



La Digitalització de la Mobilitat

Data Science i Intel·ligència artificial

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Introduction

Barcelona Supercomputing Center – Centro Nacional de Supercomputación (BSC-CNS)

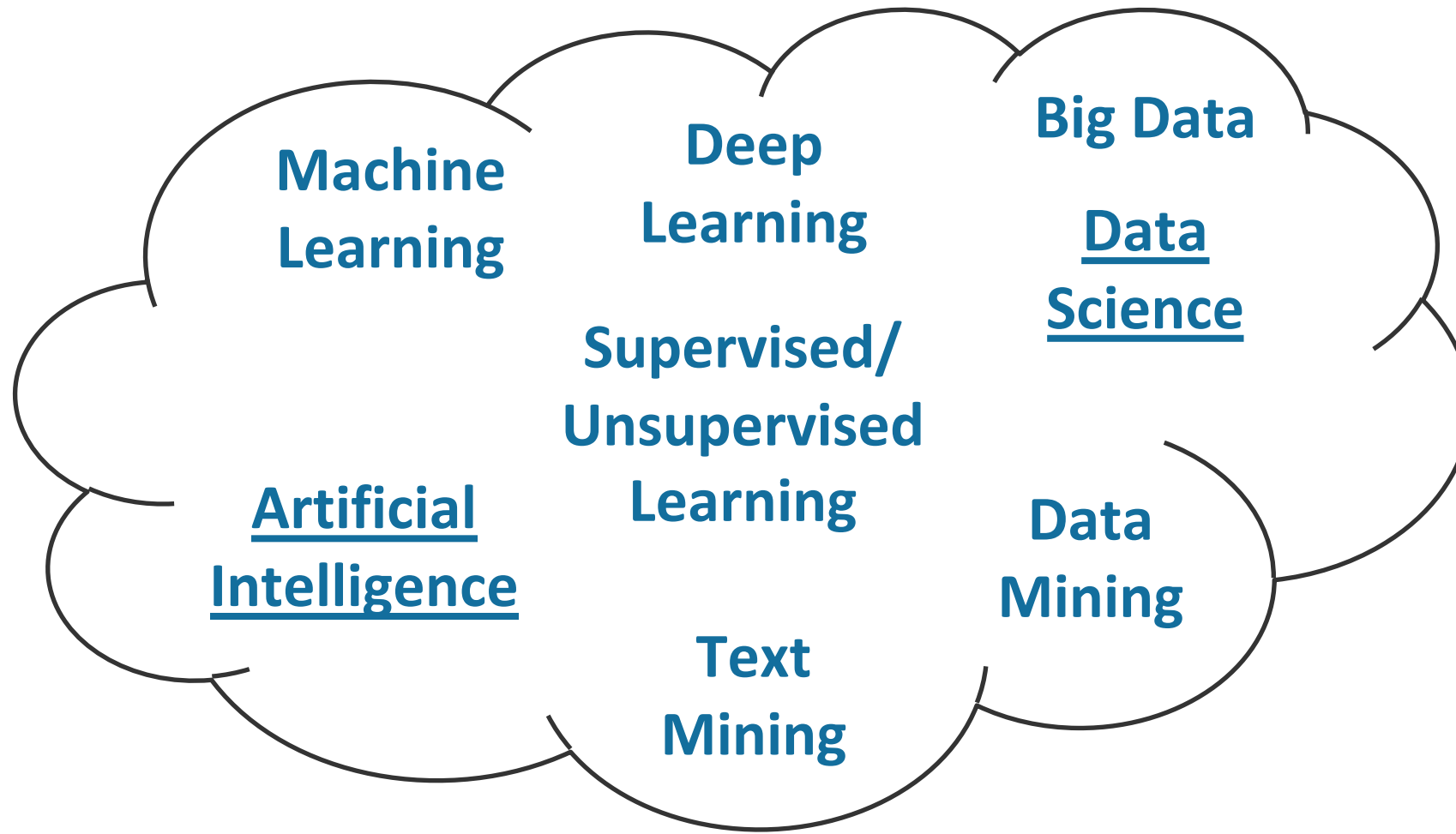
- Public research center focused on the research and efficient use of supercomputing technologies applied to science, society and economy

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- PhD in Computer Science by Technical University of Catalonia (UPC)
- Team leader of the *Predictable Parallel Computing* research group
- Principal Investigator (PI) of several European and national projects related to mobility



Data Science and Artificial Intelligence (AI)



Data Science and Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- **Data Science** focuses on the analysis of data sources across all data value chain to extract information (knowledge) upon which decisions can be taken
- **AI** focuses on providing to computers the capability to perceive, learn and reason about data to perform a specific task
 - There are not systems with *Artificial General Intelligence*

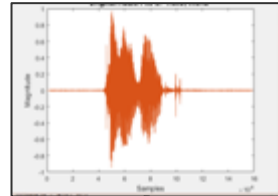


Object recognition and detection



“dog”, “bicycle”, “truck”

Natural Processing Language



“hello, world”

Face Recognition



“Eduardo Quiñones”

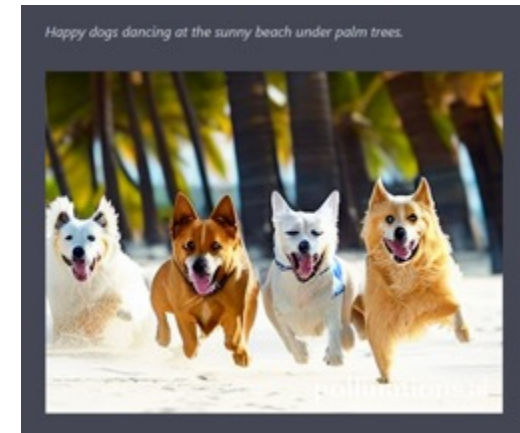


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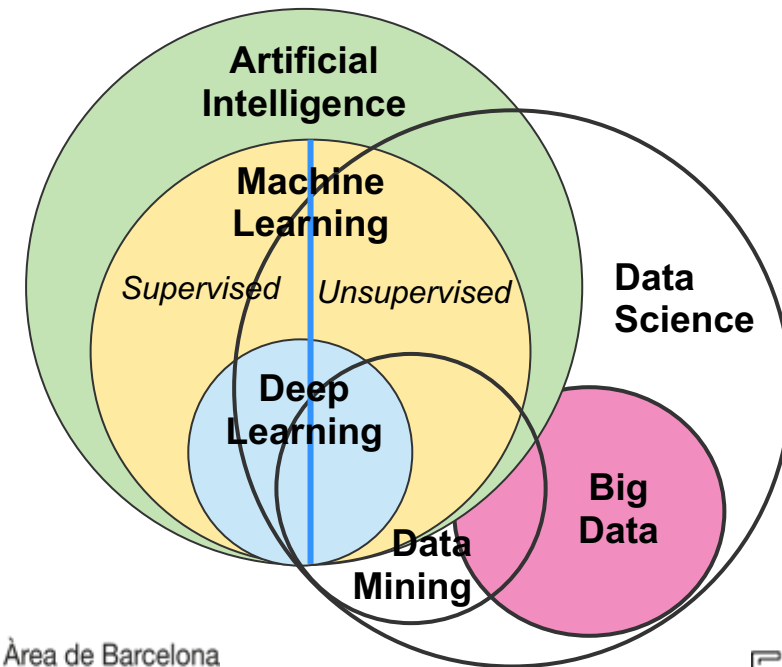
Data Science and Artificial Intelligence

Data Science

- *Data Mining*: Set of data analytics methods for **knoweldge extraction**
 - Visualization, data cleaning, AI model training
- *Big Data*: Set of storage and computation technologies used to process huge amounts of data

Artificial Intelligence

- *Machine Learning*
- *Supervised/Unsupervised Learning*
- *Deep Learning*



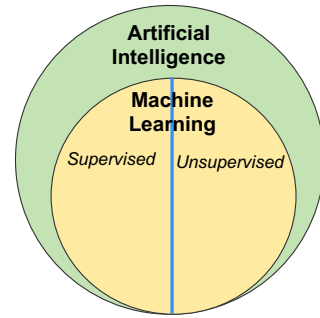
Objective of the Seminar

1. Understand the AI methods that can be used to enhance urban mobility and identify the main threads of AI
2. Applying Data Science and AI to Urban Mobility
3. Data Science and AI in cities from a computing/communication perspective: Edge and Cloud Computing

1. Artificial Intelligence



Machine Learning: Supervised and Unsupervised

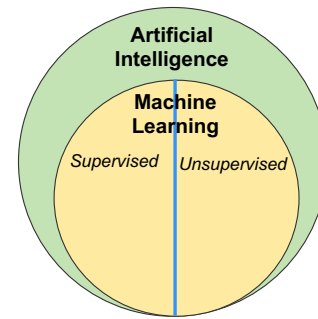


“The field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed” (Arthur Samuel, 1959)

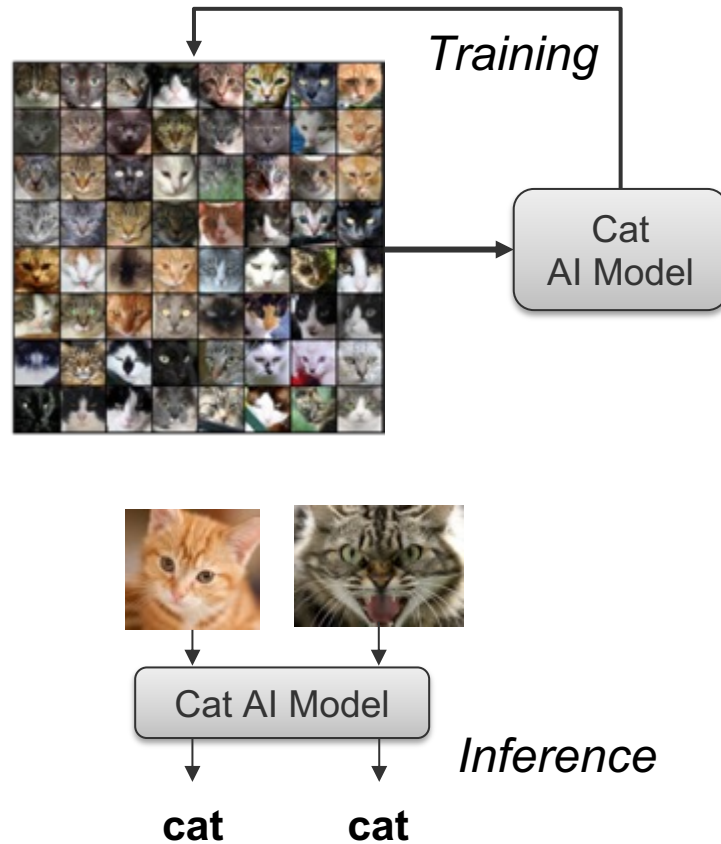
AI models are built upon representative sample data (training data) including the knowledge require to perform an specific action

- *Training phase:* The process of building the model based on a training data-set
 - **Supervised learning:** The training data-set is known and predefined
 - **Unsupervised learning:** The model is trained in operational environment, based on an objective function
- *Inference phase:* The process of performing the action for what the model has been designed, based on an input data

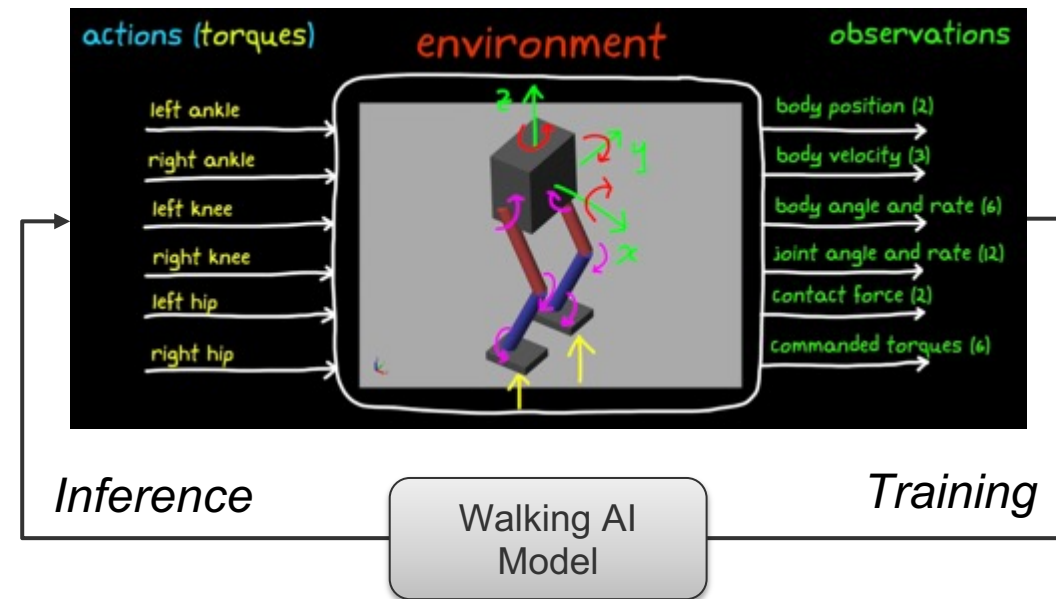
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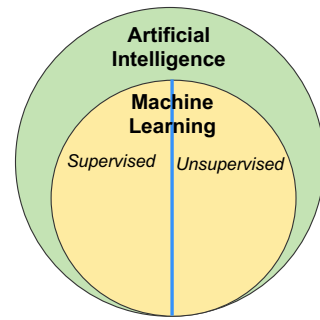
Supervised



Unsupervised

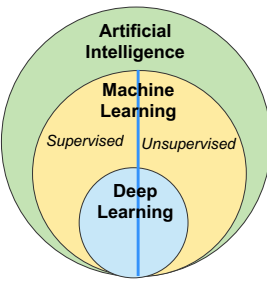


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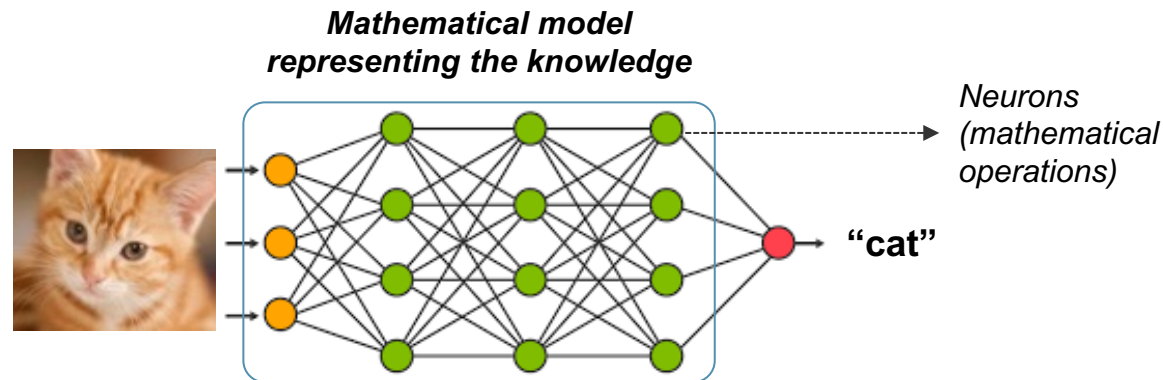


Learning to walk with unsupervised machine learning (deep reinforcement learning)

Deep Learning

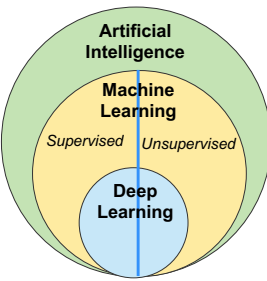


- The knowledge is represented in the form of artificial neural networks (ANN) or *deep neural networks* (DNN)
 - Inspired on how the information is processed by the brain

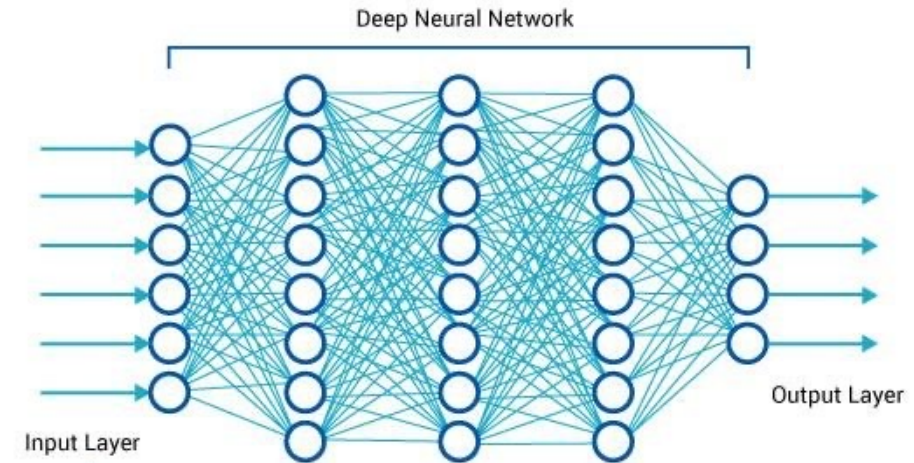


- Firstly proposed in 1967 by Ivakhnenko and Lapa
- In 2010, the use of Graphical Processing Units (GPUs) speed the training processes

Deep Learning

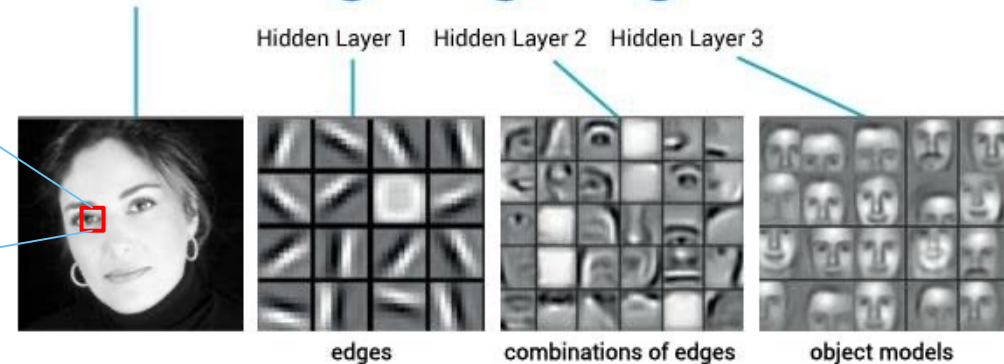


- Artificial Neural Networks layers are responsible of extracting different features of the data
 - Hierarchical representation of information

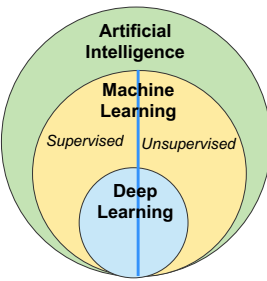


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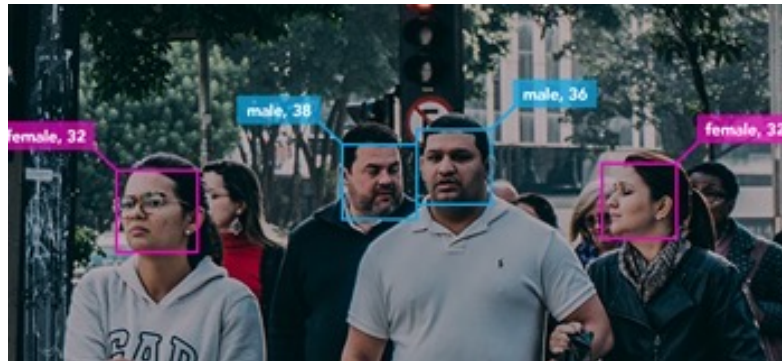
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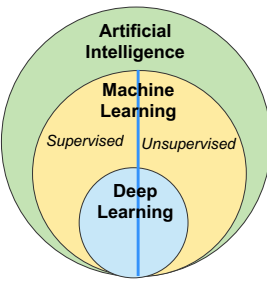
Object Detection with Deep Learning



- Key functionality to perceive urban scenarios upon which decisions can be taken
 - Different models are used for different purposes

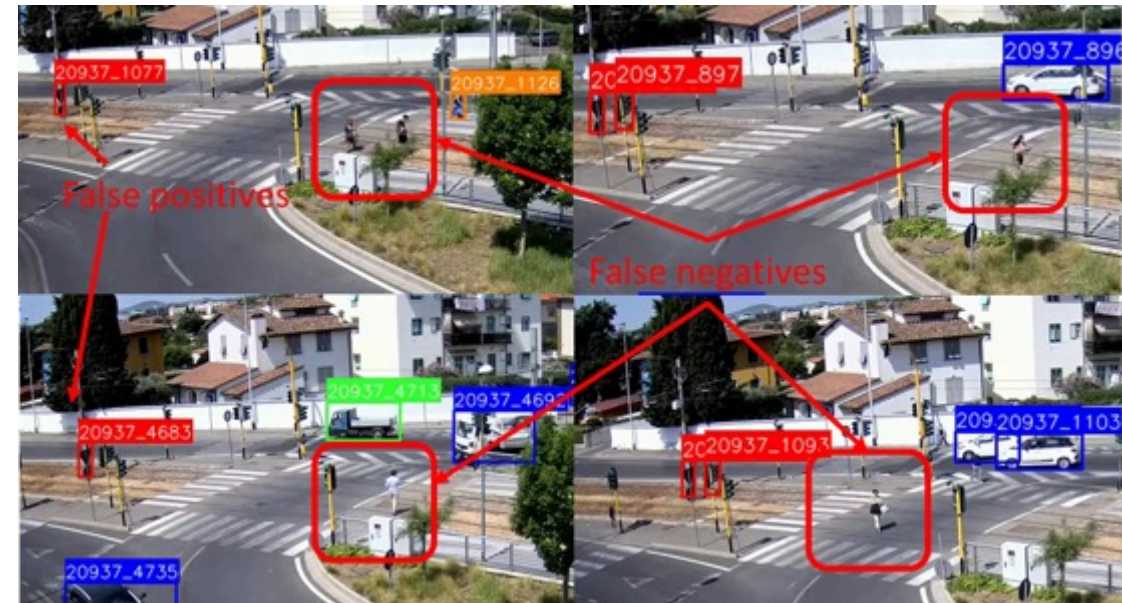


Object Detection with Deep Learning: Threads and Limitations

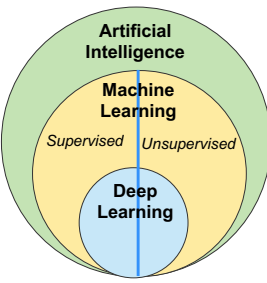


- False positives
 - Motorcycles and bicycles detected as pedestrians
 - Tram commercials detected as pedestrians
 - Traffic signs detected as pedestrians

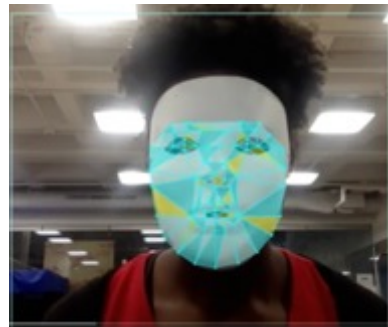
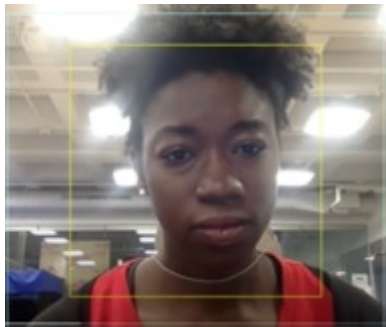
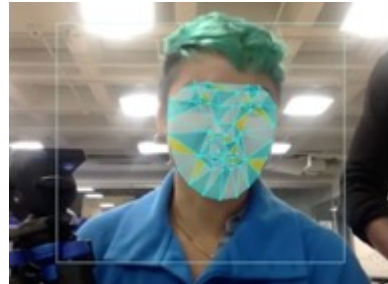
- False negatives
 - Detection failing due to light, obstructions, perspective, distance



Object Detection with Deep Learning: Bias/Discrimination

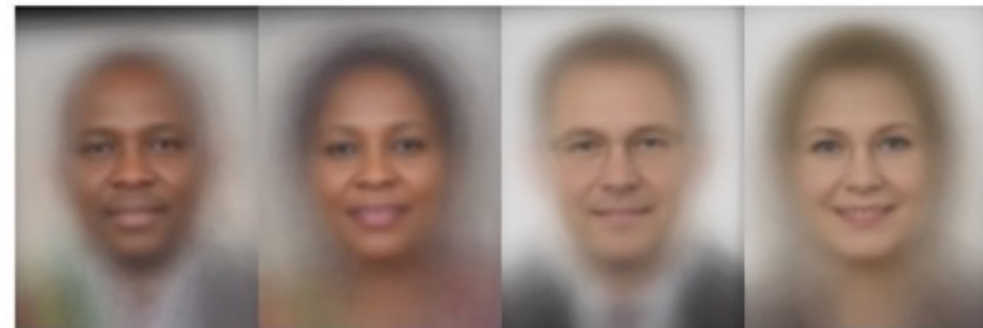


Popular face detection systems are not trained with representative data to detect dark-skin people



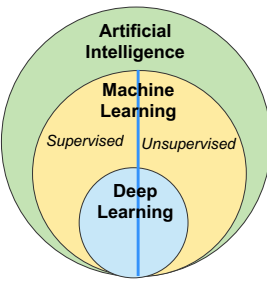
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Gender Classifier	Darker Male	Darker Female	Lighter Male	Lighter Female	Largest Gap
Microsoft	94.0%	79.2%	100%	98.3%	20.8%
FACE**	99.3%	65.5%	99.2%	94.0%	33.8%
IBM	88.0%	65.3%	99.7%	92.9%	34.4%



Gender Shades project (<http://gendershades.org>) evaluates the accuracy of AI powered gender classification products

Object Detection with Deep Learning: Adversarial Attacks



- Imperceptible changes in the input data (not visible by humans)



“Hare”

“Desk”



“Stop sign”

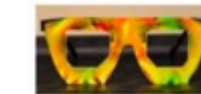


“Max Speed 100”

- Physical changes on the input image



The T-shirt prevents the person to be detected

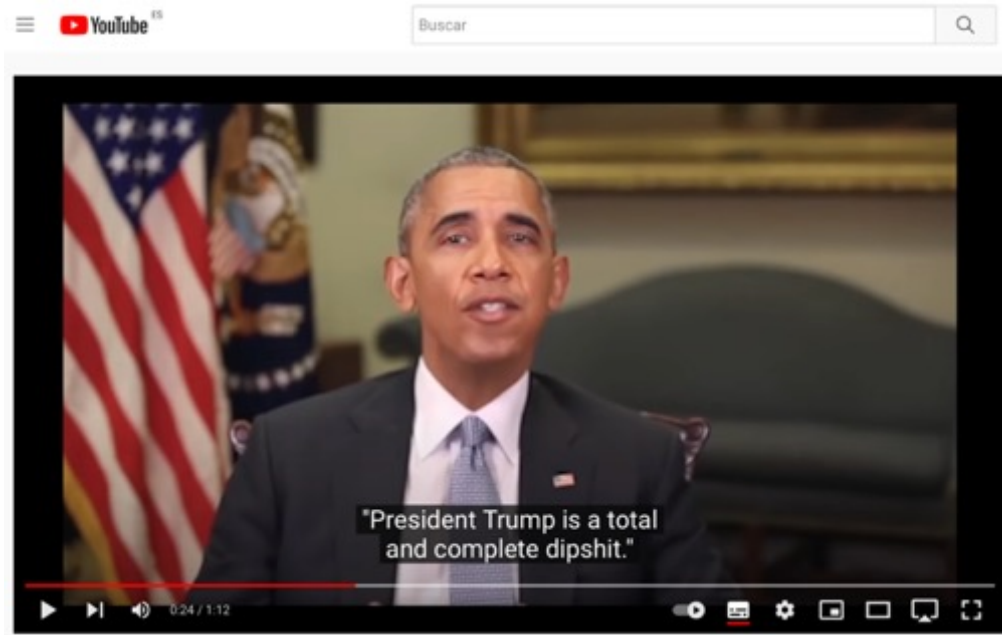
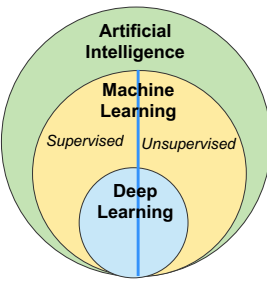


Face
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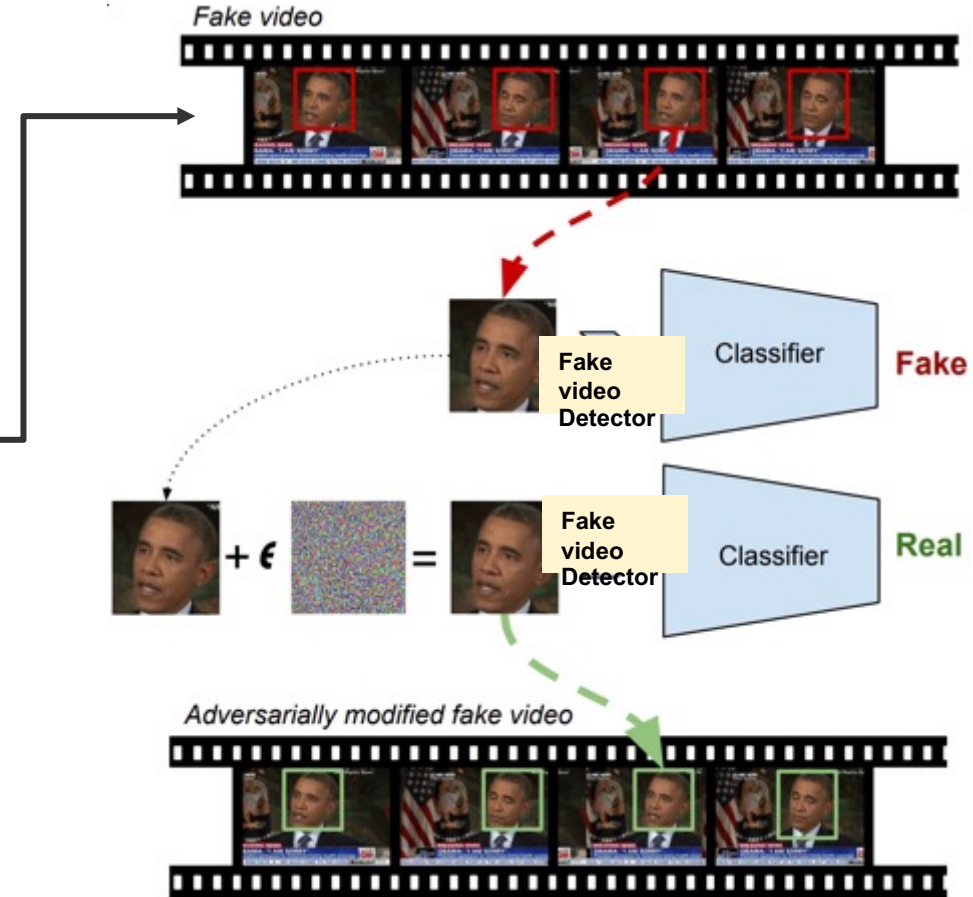


“Milla
Joovich”

Object Detection with Deep Learning: Adversarial Attacks for Deep Fake Generation



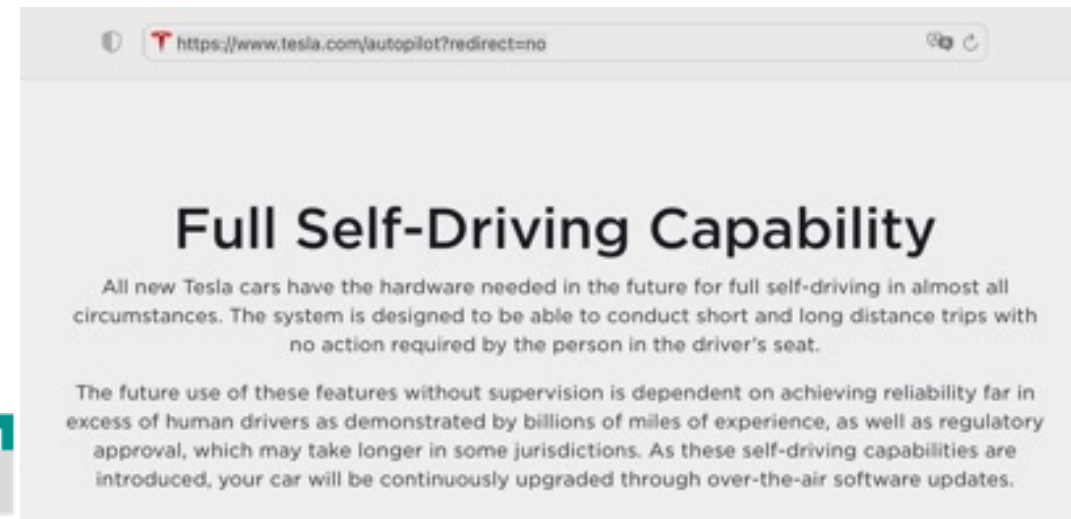
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Towards an Ethical and Secure Used of AI

- Understand the specific task for what the AI engine has been trained
 1. Ensure that the data-set used to train the AI model is representative for the intended task
 2. Ensure that the AI software method is appropriate for the task to be solved
 - Preferable to use open-source solutions
 3. Identify the security flaws of the data and the model
- Create multi-disciplinary teams

<https://www.tesla.com/autopilot?redirect=no>



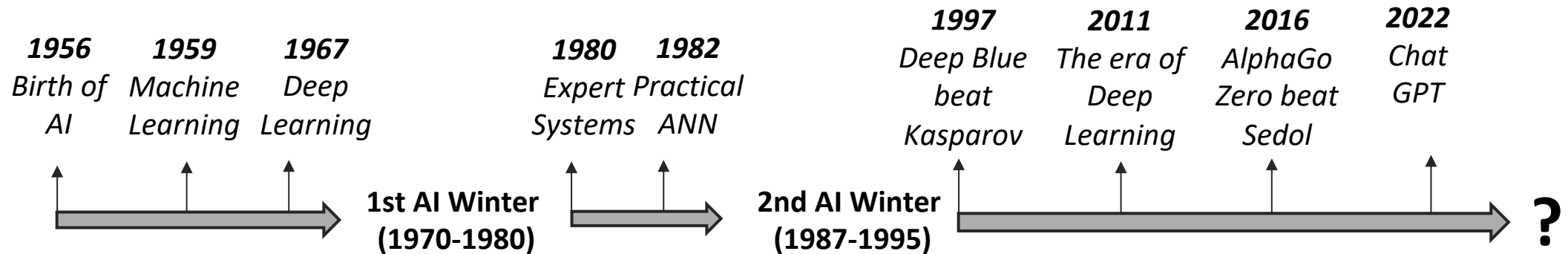
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.tesla.com/autopilot?redirect=no>. The main heading is "Full Self-Driving Capability". Below it, the text reads: "All new Tesla cars have the hardware needed in the future for full self-driving in almost all circumstances. The system is designed to be able to conduct short and long distance trips with no action required by the person in the driver's seat." A second paragraph states: "The future use of these features without supervision is dependent on achieving reliability far in excess of human drivers as demonstrated by billions of miles of experience, as well as regulatory approval, which may take longer in some jurisdictions. As these self-driving capabilities are introduced, your car will be continuously upgraded through over-the-air software updates."

History of AI

1965, H. A. Simon: "machines will be capable, within twenty years, of doing any work a man can do"

1970, M. Minsky: "In from three to eight years we will have a machine with the general intelligence of an average human being"

2015 - 2016, BMW, GM, VW, Tesla: "Autonomous vehicles will be on the road on 2020"



Debate about AI and Ethics at Oxford Union Society (Dec 2021)

“AI will never be ethical. It is a tool, and like any tool, it is used for good and bad. There is no such thing as a good AI, only good and bad humans. We are not smart enough to make AI ethical. We are not smart enough to make AI moral ... In the end, I believe that the only way to avoid an AI arms race is to have no AI at all. This will be the ultimate defense against AI”



AI engine (Megatron Transformer) trained with the whole Wikipedia, 63 million English news articles from 2016 to 2019, and 38 GB of public Reddit posts and comments

2. Applying Data Science and AI to Urban Mobility



Applying Data Science to Urban Mobility

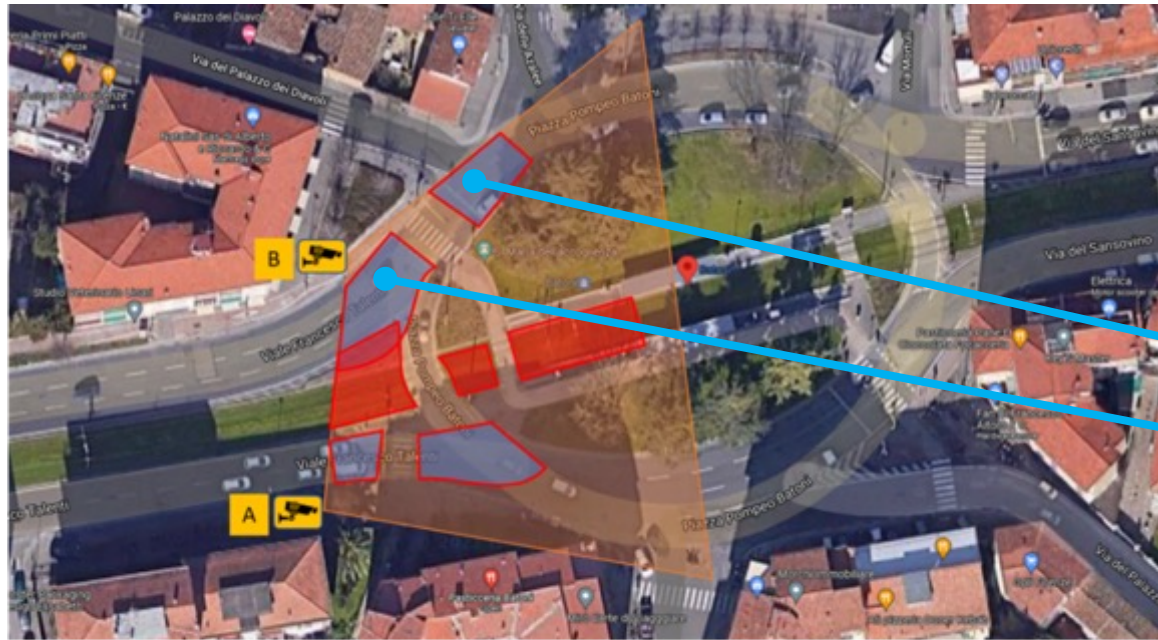
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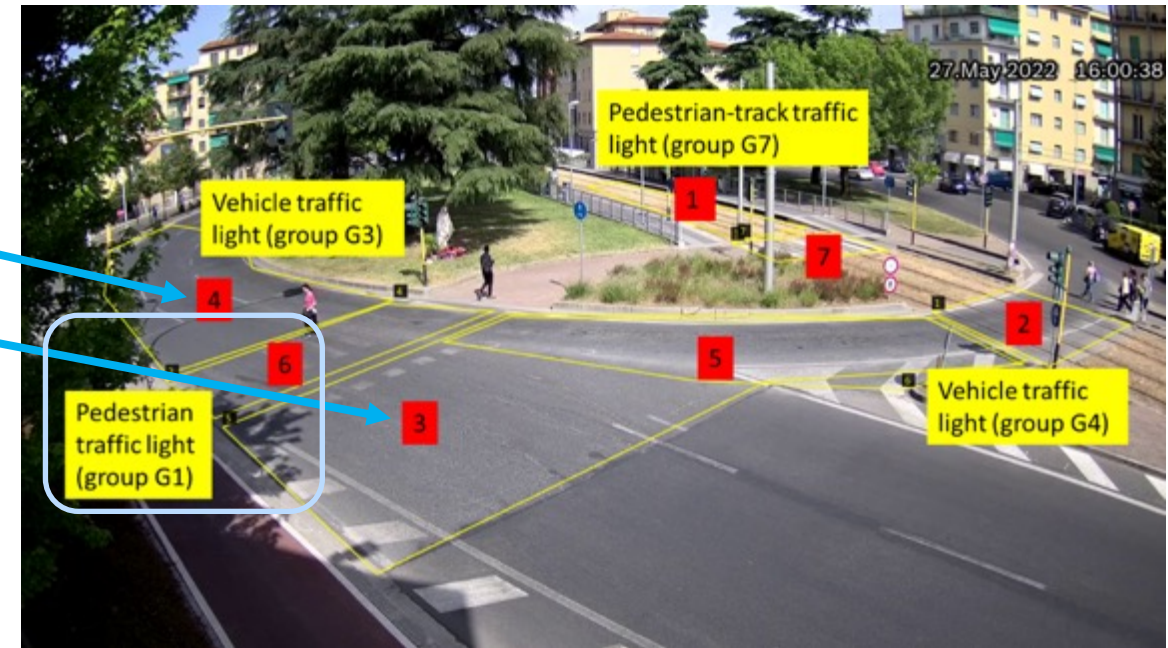
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Semantic Information and Data Sources

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 Invalid street pedestrian crossings	 Invalid track pedestrian crossings	 Covered area
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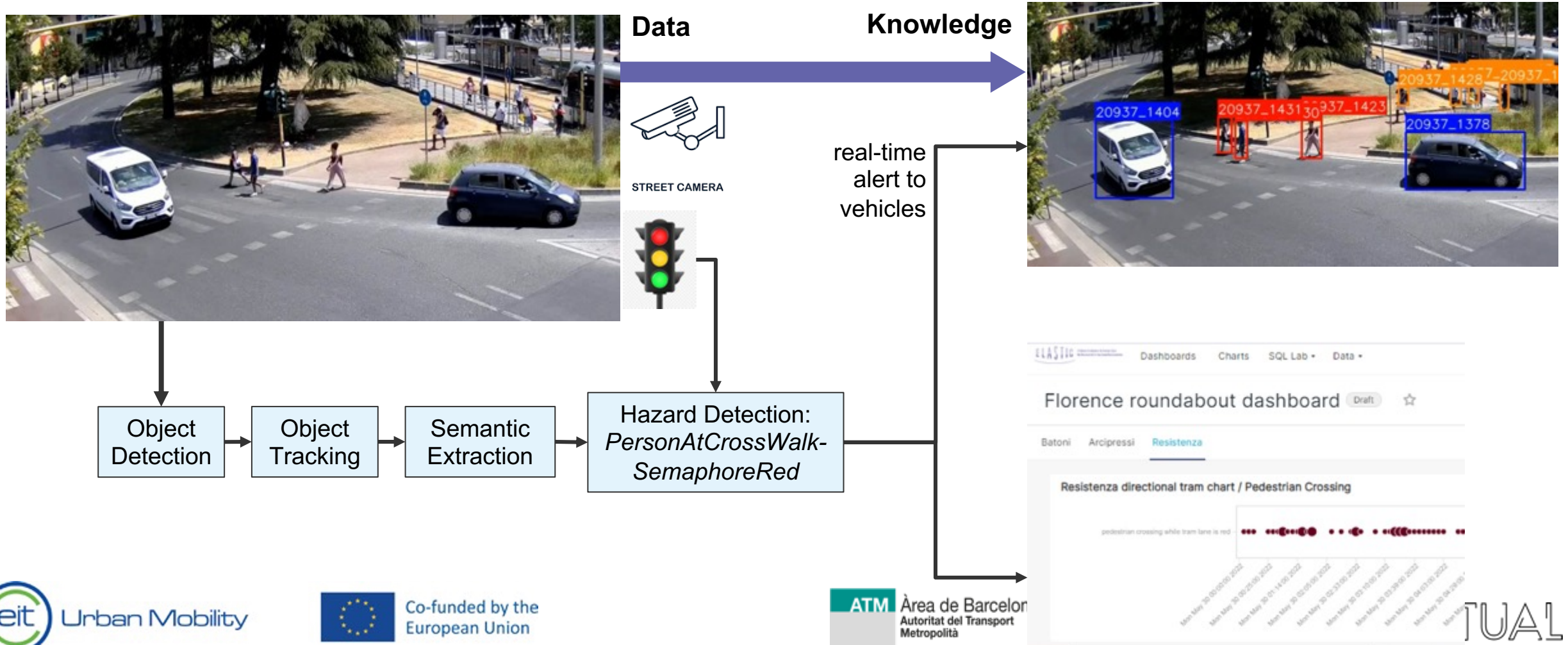
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3. Knowledge extraction
 - For what do we want the knowledge?
4. Evaluation
 - Determine the extracted knowledge quality



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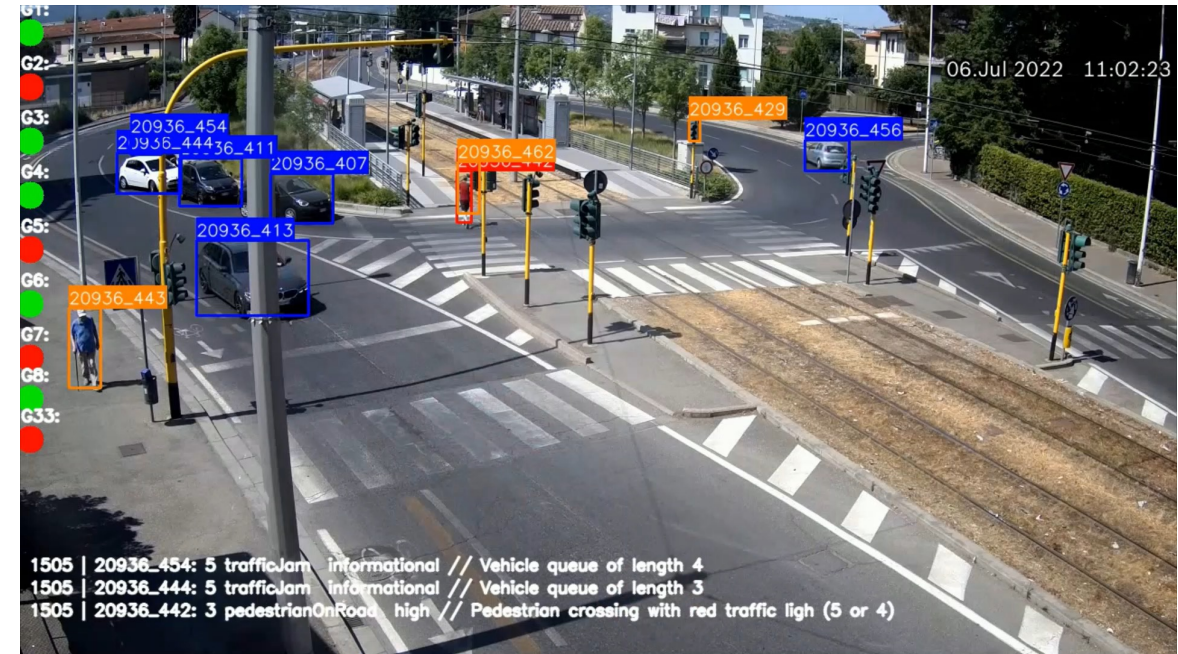
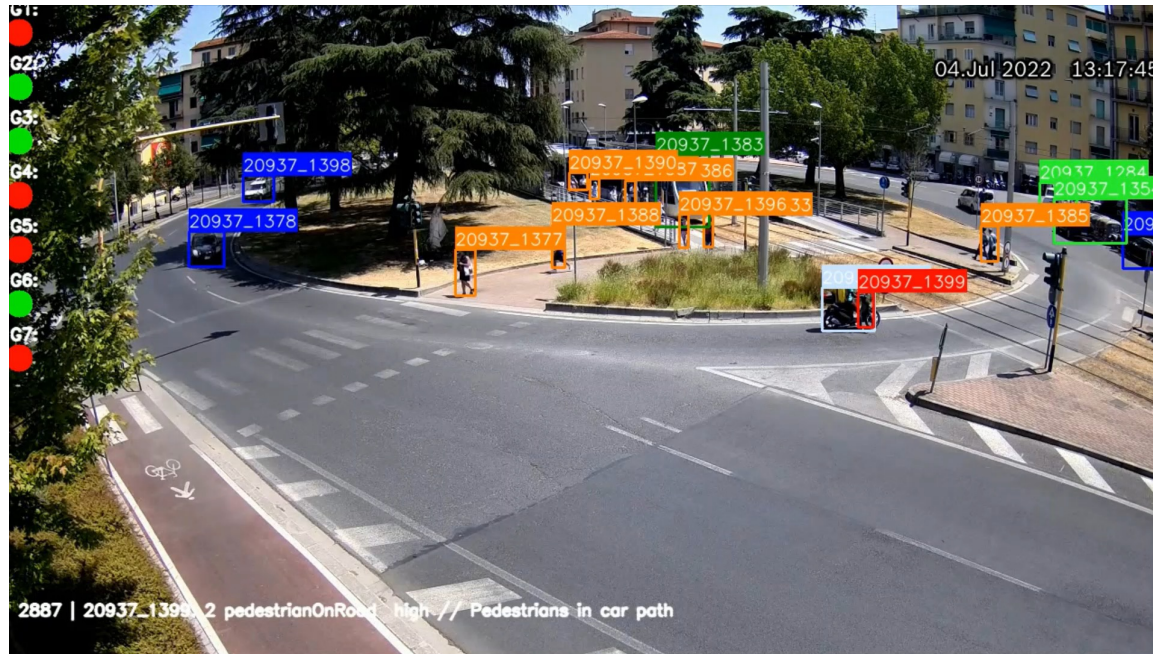
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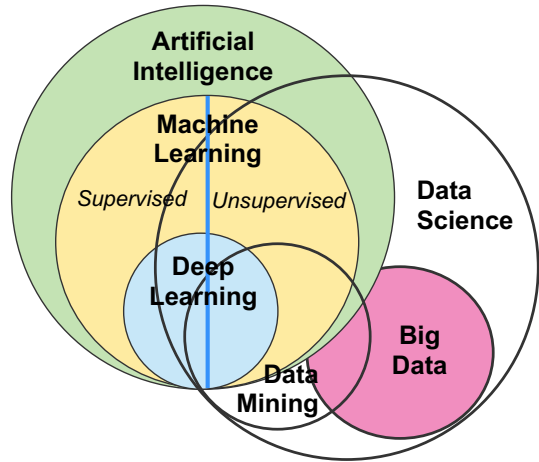


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How many times pedestrians crosses in red?

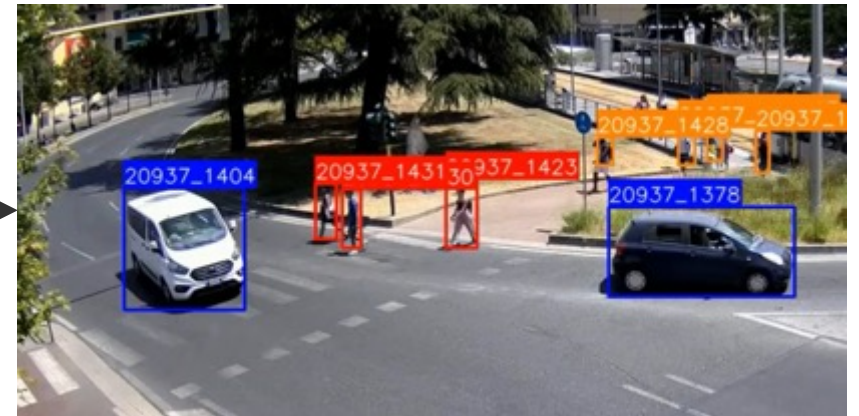
Data Science



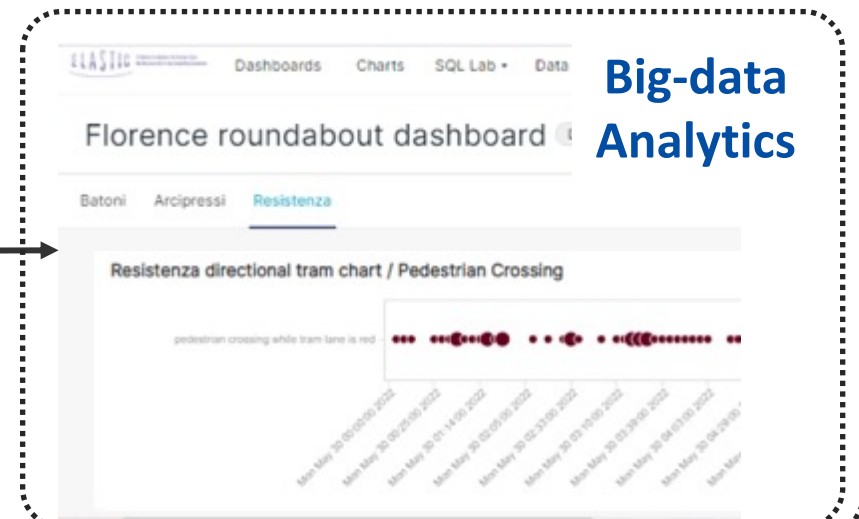
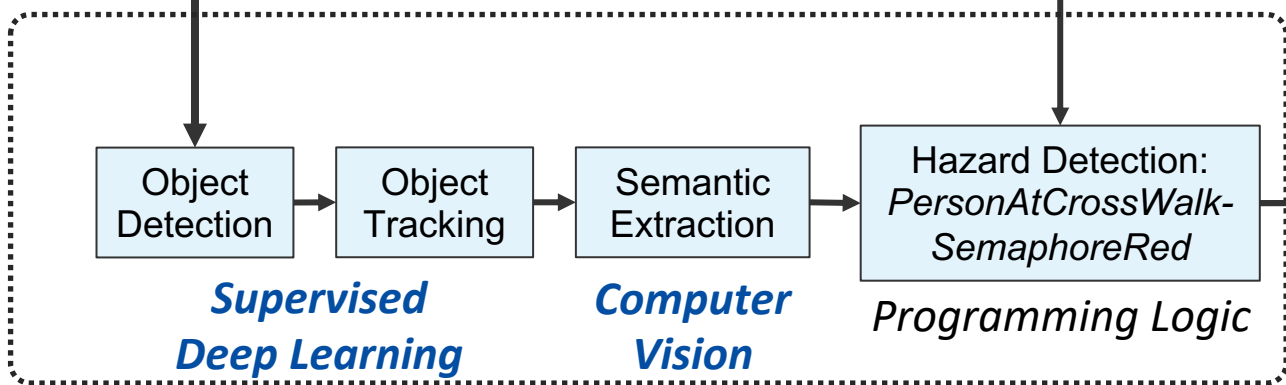
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real-time alert to vehicles



Data Mining Workflow



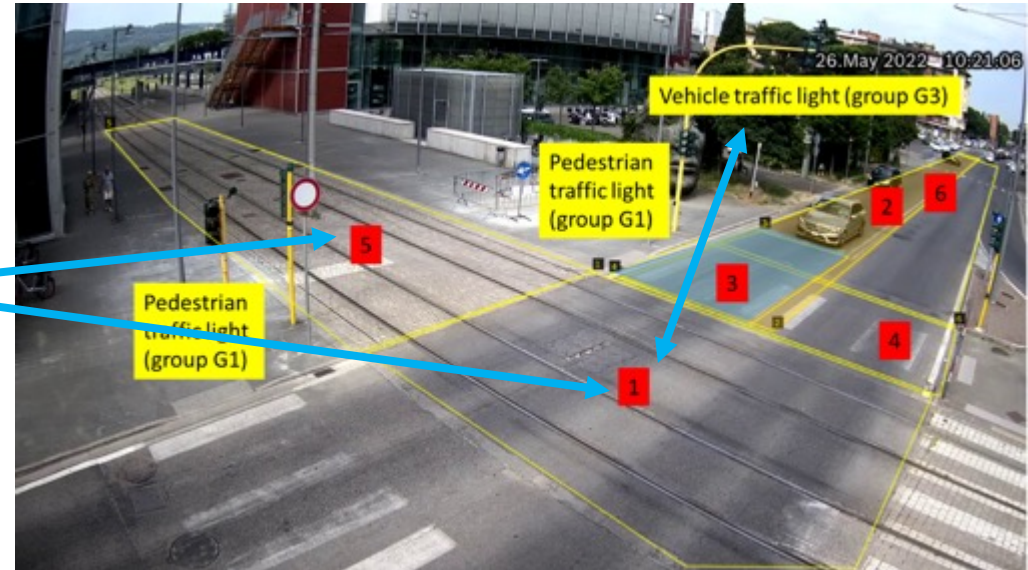
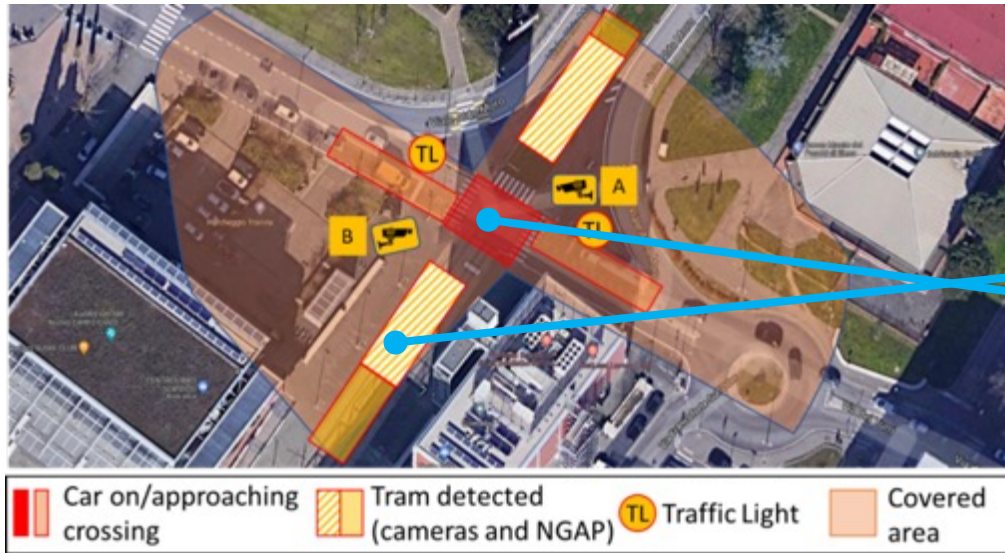
Big-data Analytics

Pedestrians/cars crossing the rail tracks when tram approaching

1. Identify data sources
2. Provide semantic information
3. Identify the urban actors
4. Determine dynamics of actors



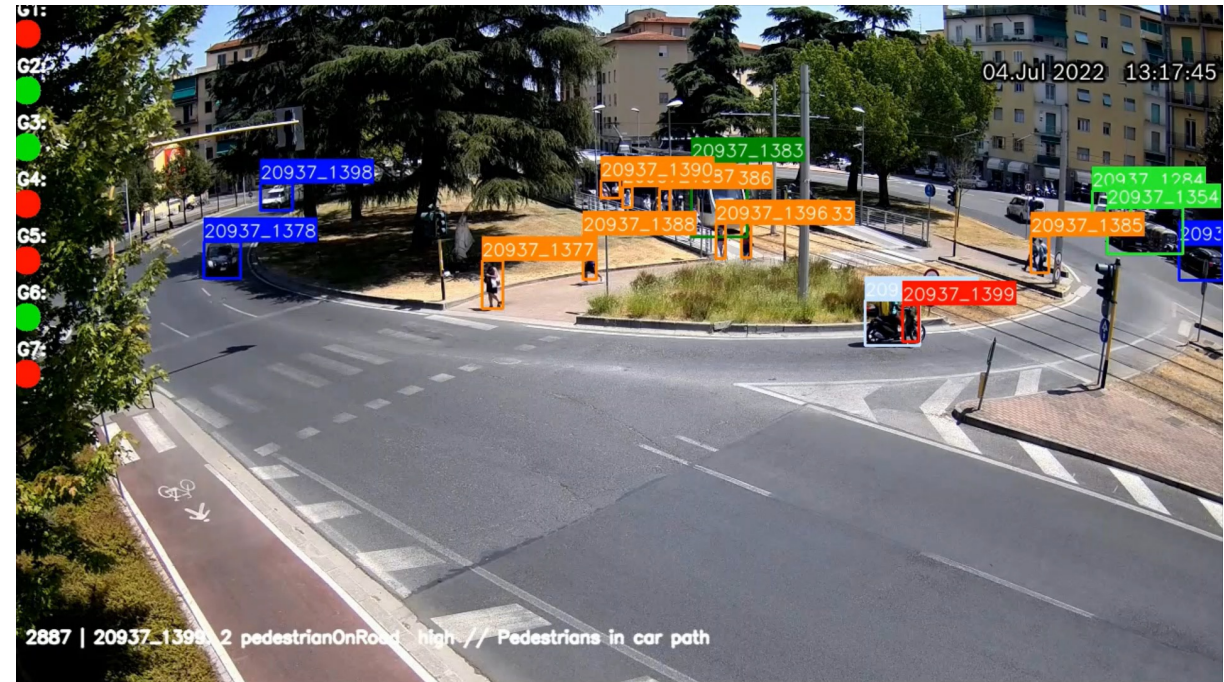
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Pedestrians crossing the street outside designated areas



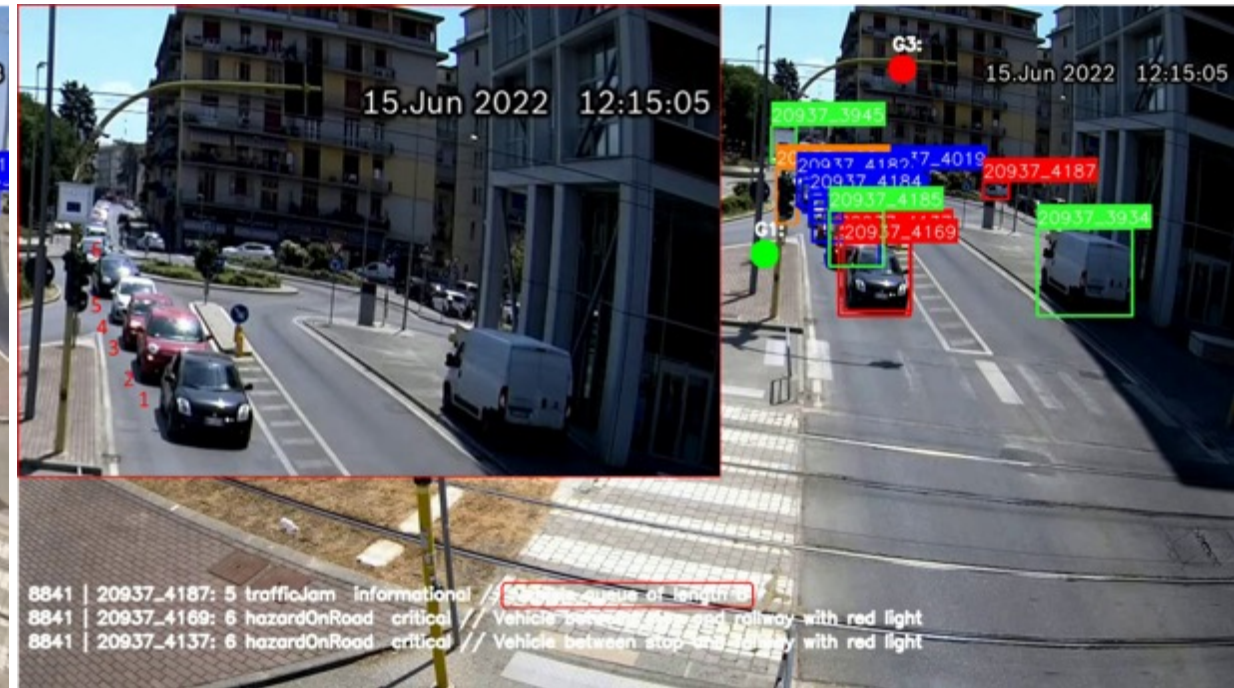
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Traffic Queues



Vehicle traffic queue of length 11

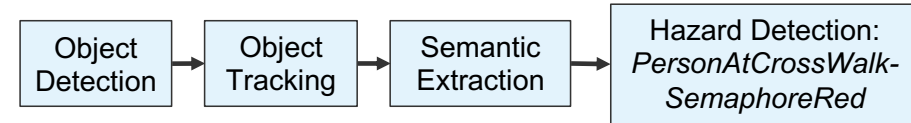


Vehicle traffic queue of length 6

City-Car Interaction



Evaluation Methodology



Confusion matrix for each event of interest

- *True Positives*: true event detected
- *False Negatives*: true event not detected
- *False Positives*: no event but detected

Accuracy evaluation

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{\text{True Positives}}{\text{True Positives} + \text{False Positives}}$$

Refers to the portion of relevant events correctly detected among all **detected** events

$$\text{Recall} = \frac{\text{True Positives}}{\text{True Positives} + \text{False Negatives}}$$

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$$F1 = 2 \cdot \frac{\text{Precision} \cdot \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

A measure of event detection accuracy:

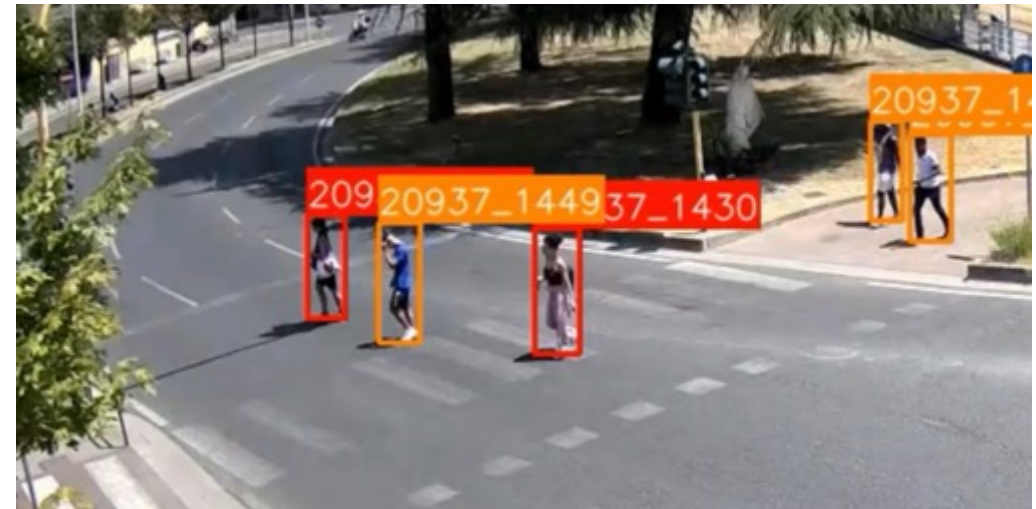
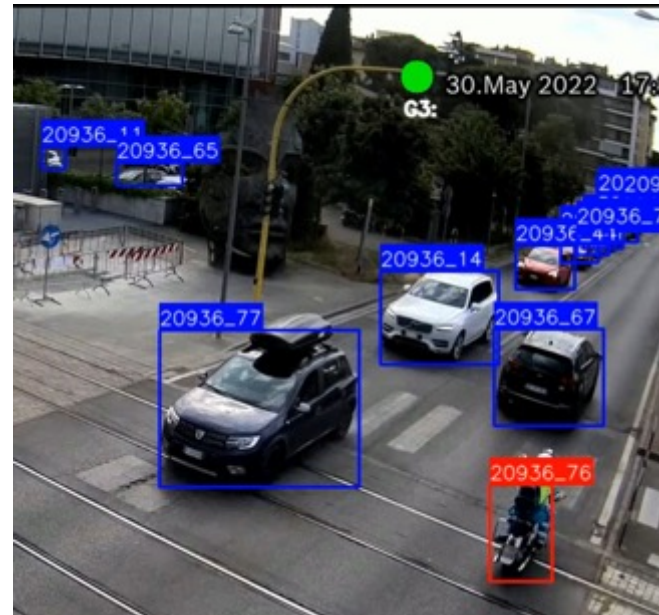
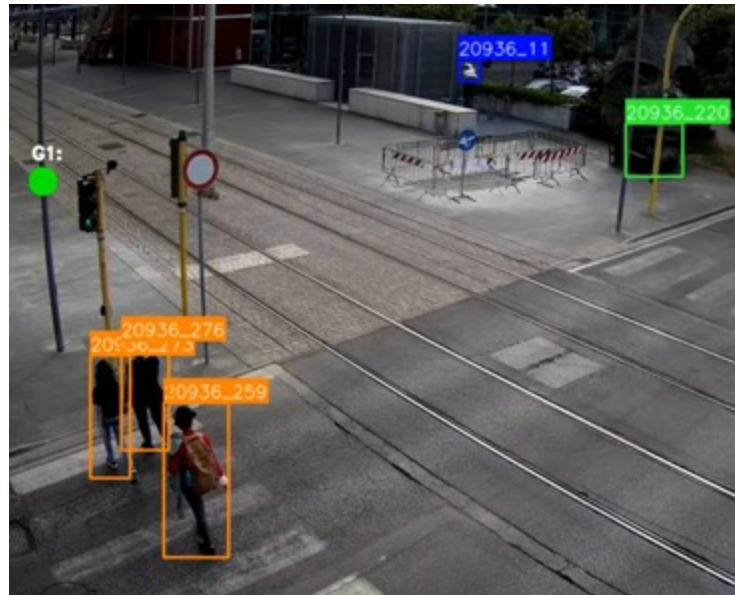
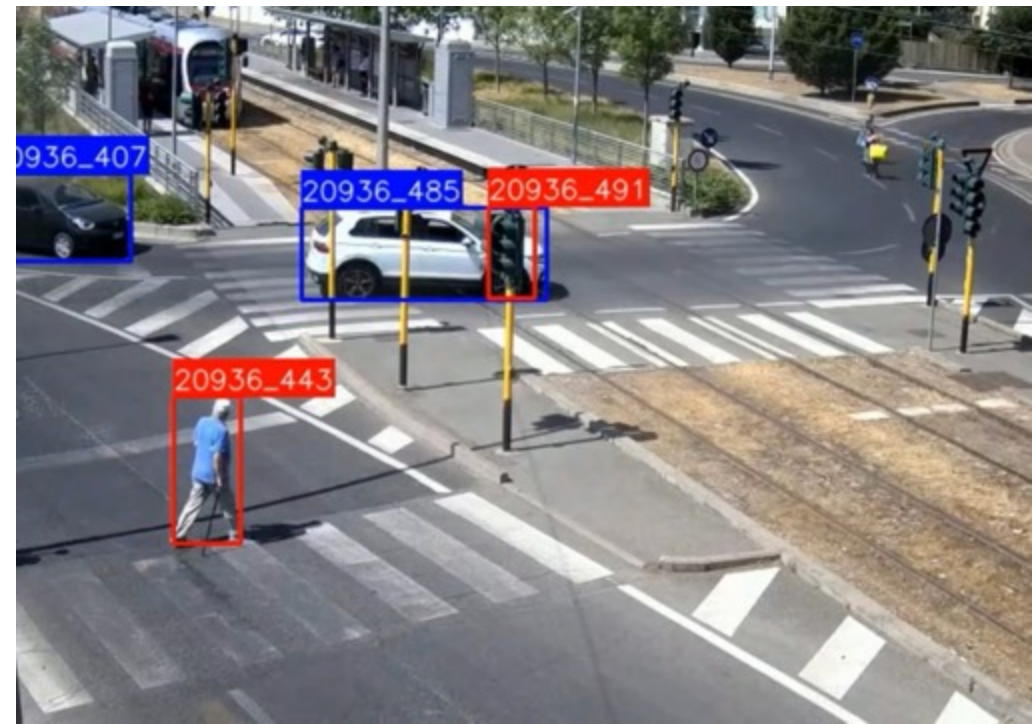
- F1 = 1 perfect detection
- F1 = 0 no detection

Evaluation Methodology

True Positives: true event detected

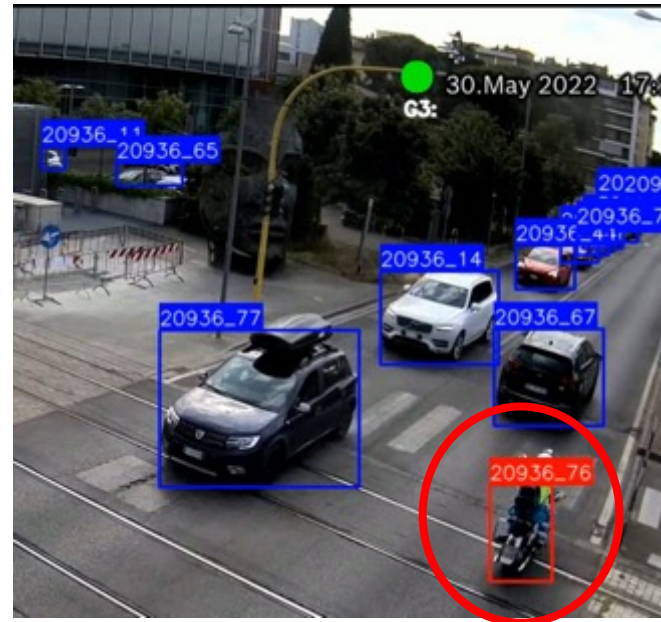
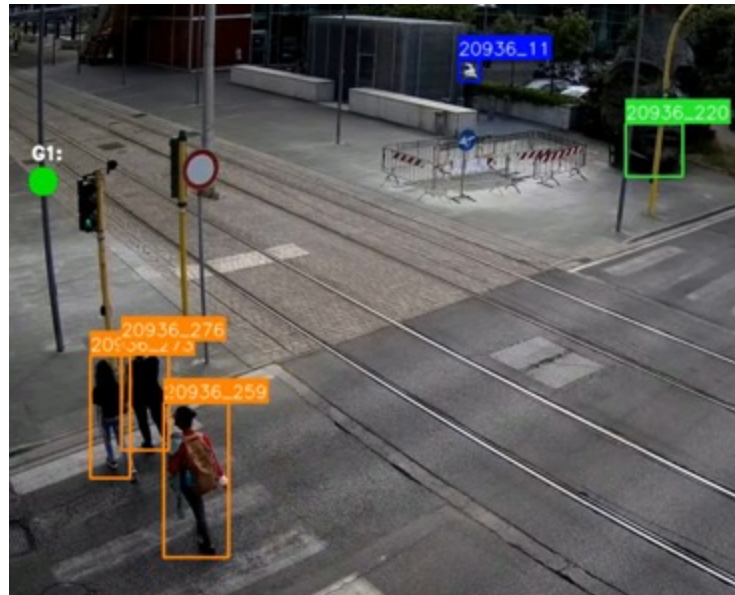
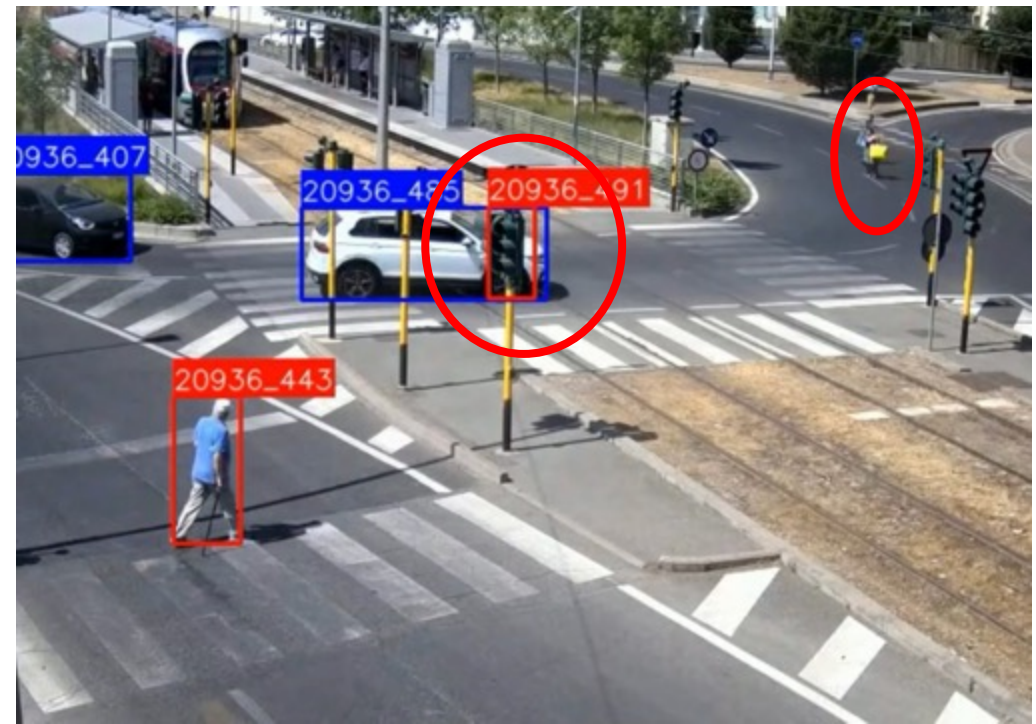
False Negatives: true event not detected

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Evaluation Methodology

- (3) *True Positives*: true event detected
- (2) *False Negatives*: true event not detected
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Evaluation Methodology

- Manual inspection of data sources (videos, semaphores, tram position) collected on representative conditions

Event	Precision	Recall	F1-score
P1 (pedestrians crossing tracks)	71%	98.6%	82.6%
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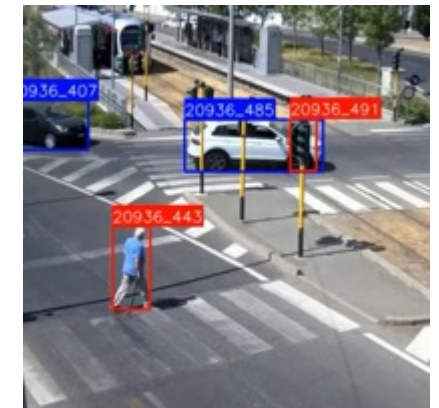
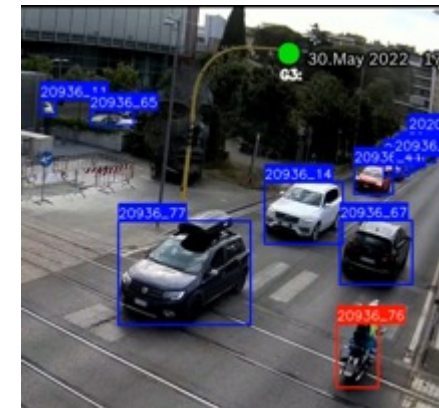
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The DNN detects motorcycles, bicycles and semaphores as pedestrians



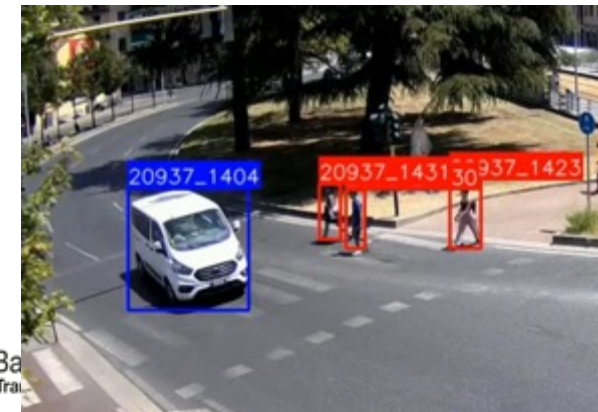
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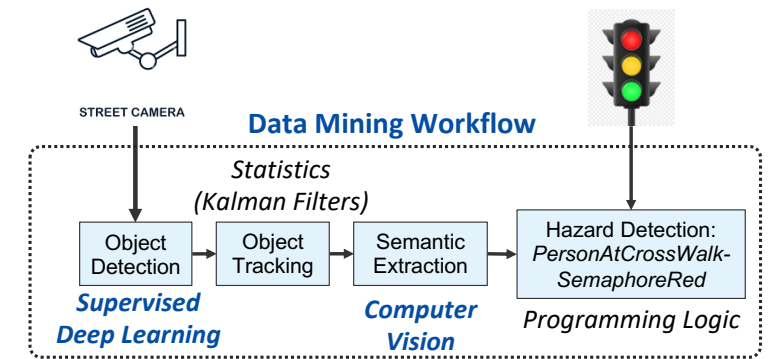
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Only pedestrian uses crosswalks and tracks



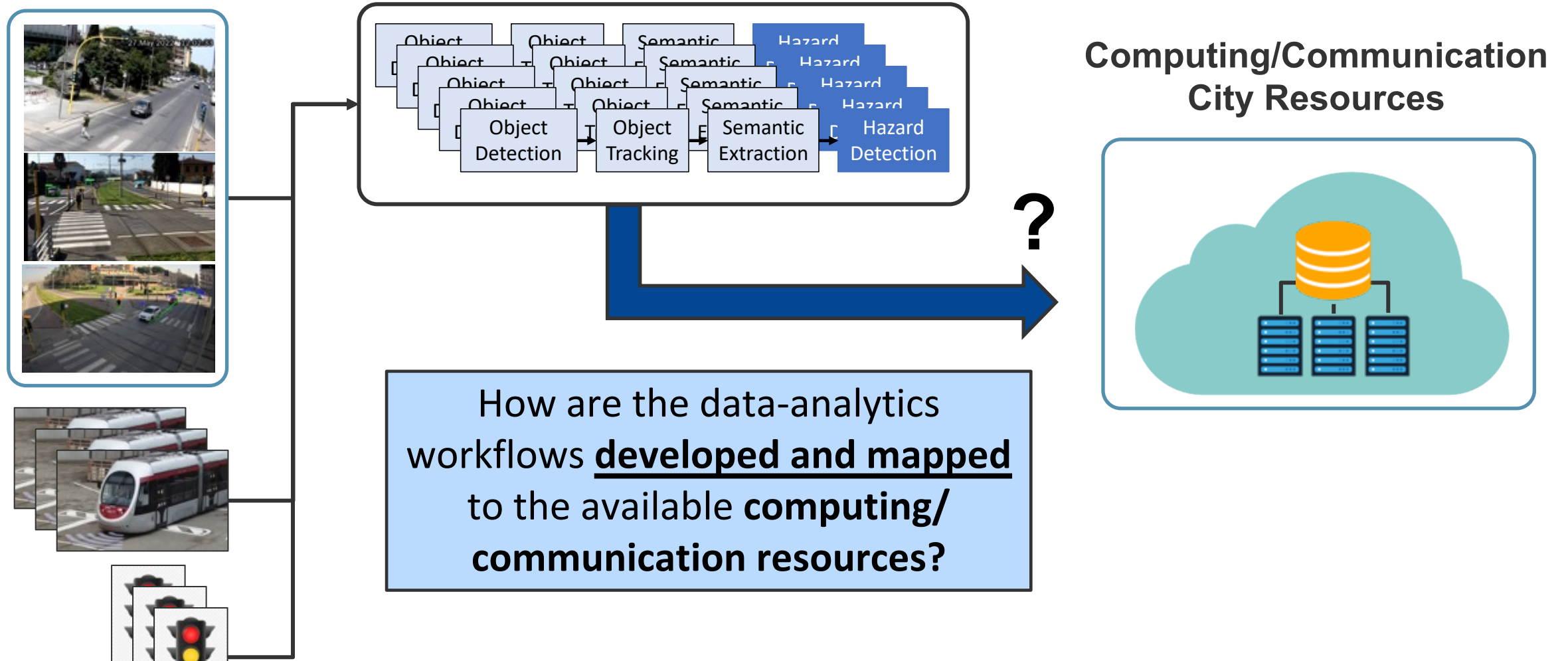
Actions to increase accuracy

- Improvement of object detection
 - Motorcycles, bicycles and traffic lights (currently identified as pedestrians)
 - Tram vehicles (currently identified as cars)
 - Used of dynamic properties of objects (speed, direction, etc.)
- More complex semantic rules can be applied for each specific event and captured area, targeting the issues identified in the quantitative analysis
 - Refine semantic annotation to filter out traffic signs, compensate for camera perspective
 - Use additional metrics, e.g., speed or trajectory to refine analytics



3. Data Science and AI in cities from a computing/communication perspective

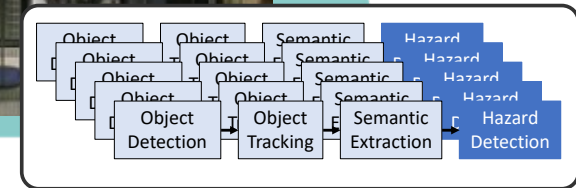
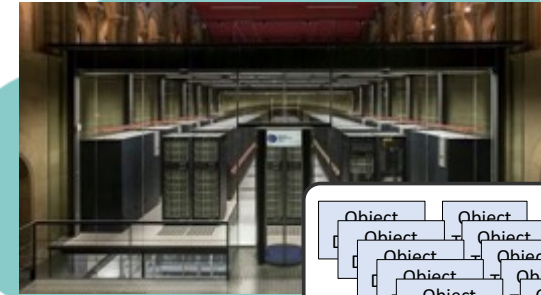
Data Mining Workflows and Computing Resources



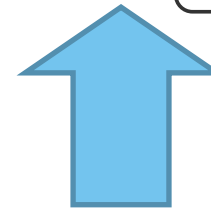
Centralised vs. Distribute

- Unsecure (single point of attack)
- Privacy Issues
- Inefficient in terms of energy and cost

Cloud Computing

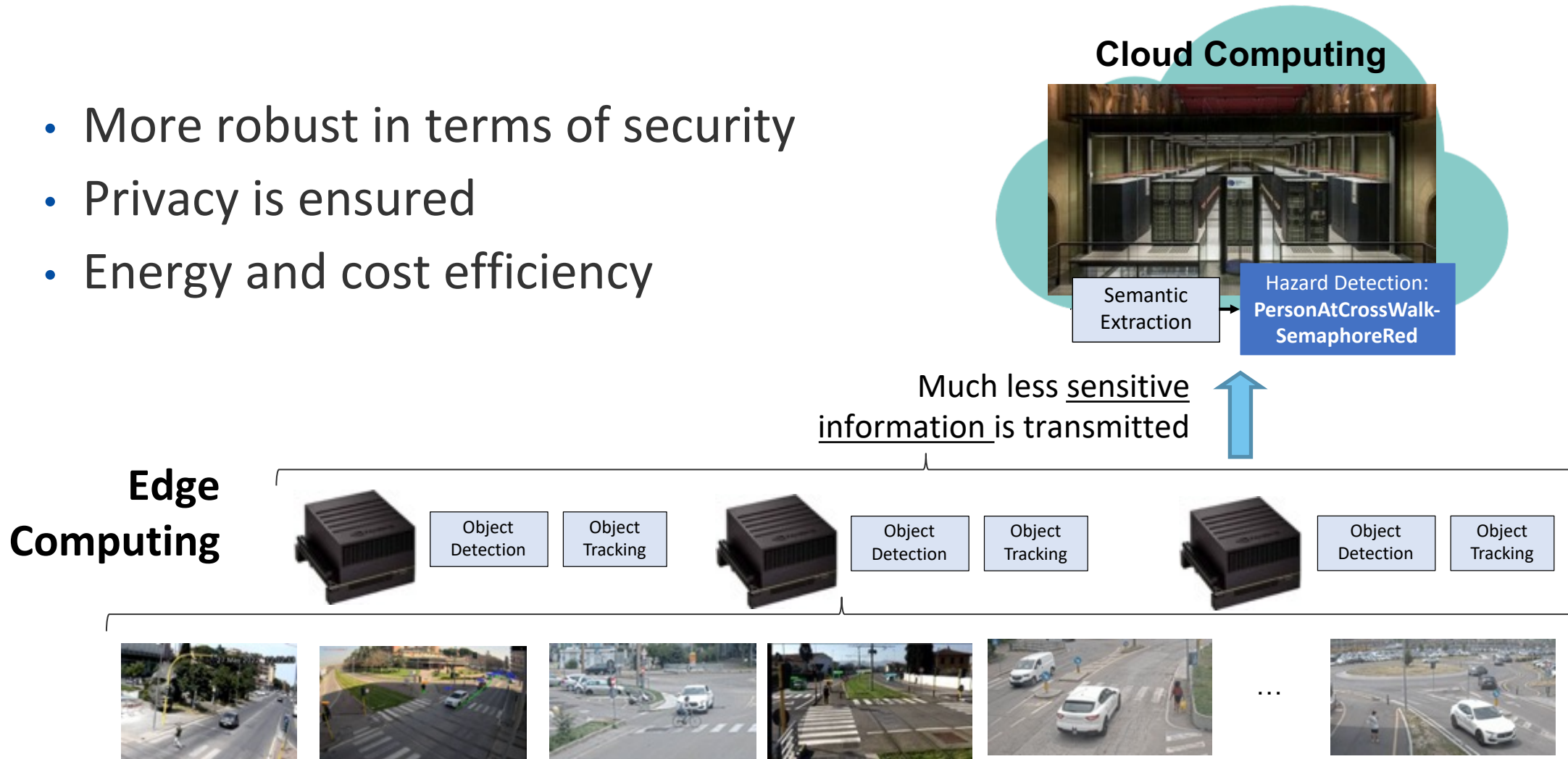


Huge amounts of sensitive information are transmitted

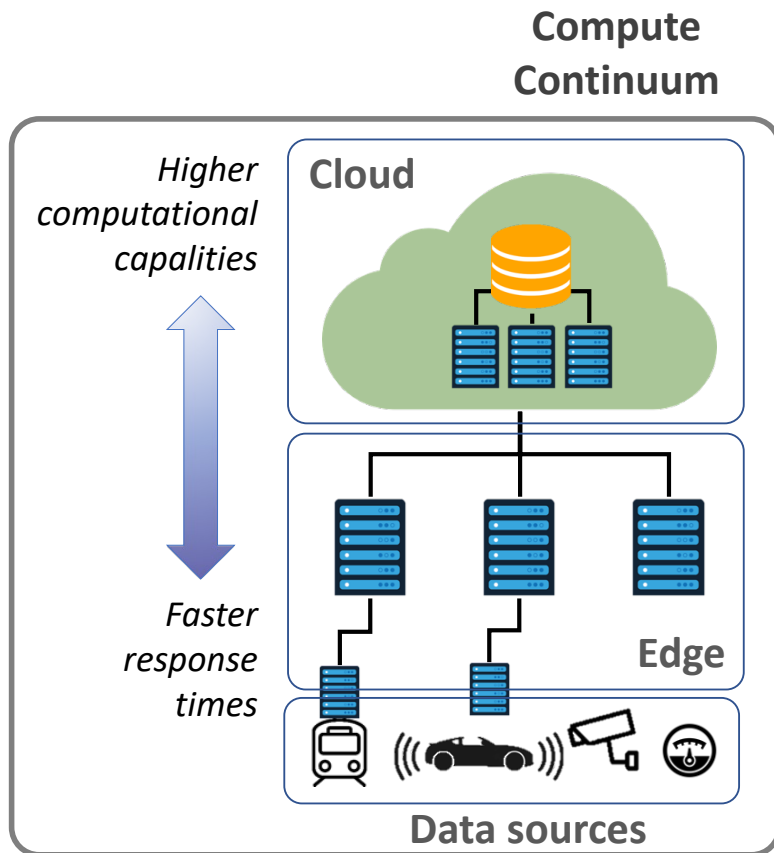


Centralised vs. Distribute: The Edge Computing

- More robust in terms of security
- Privacy is ensured
- Energy and cost efficiency



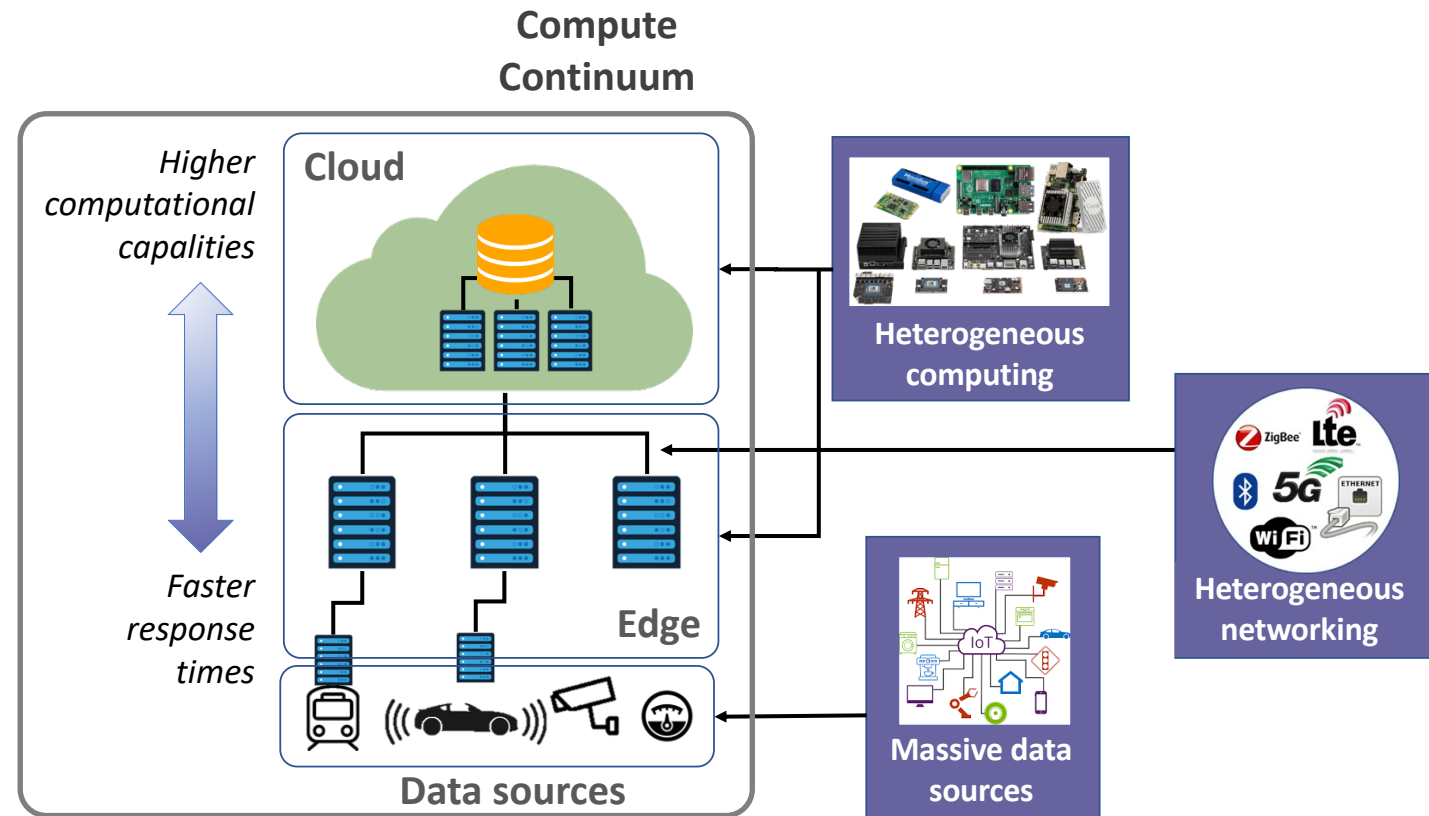
The Compute Continuum: Edge and Cloud



1. Facilitate the development of **complex data analytics workflows independently of the platform**
2. Increase the **capabilities of the data analytics** by distributing them across the compute continuum
3. Fulfill the **non-functional requirements** inherited from the application domain, e.g., real-time, privacy

The Compute Continuum: Edge and Cloud

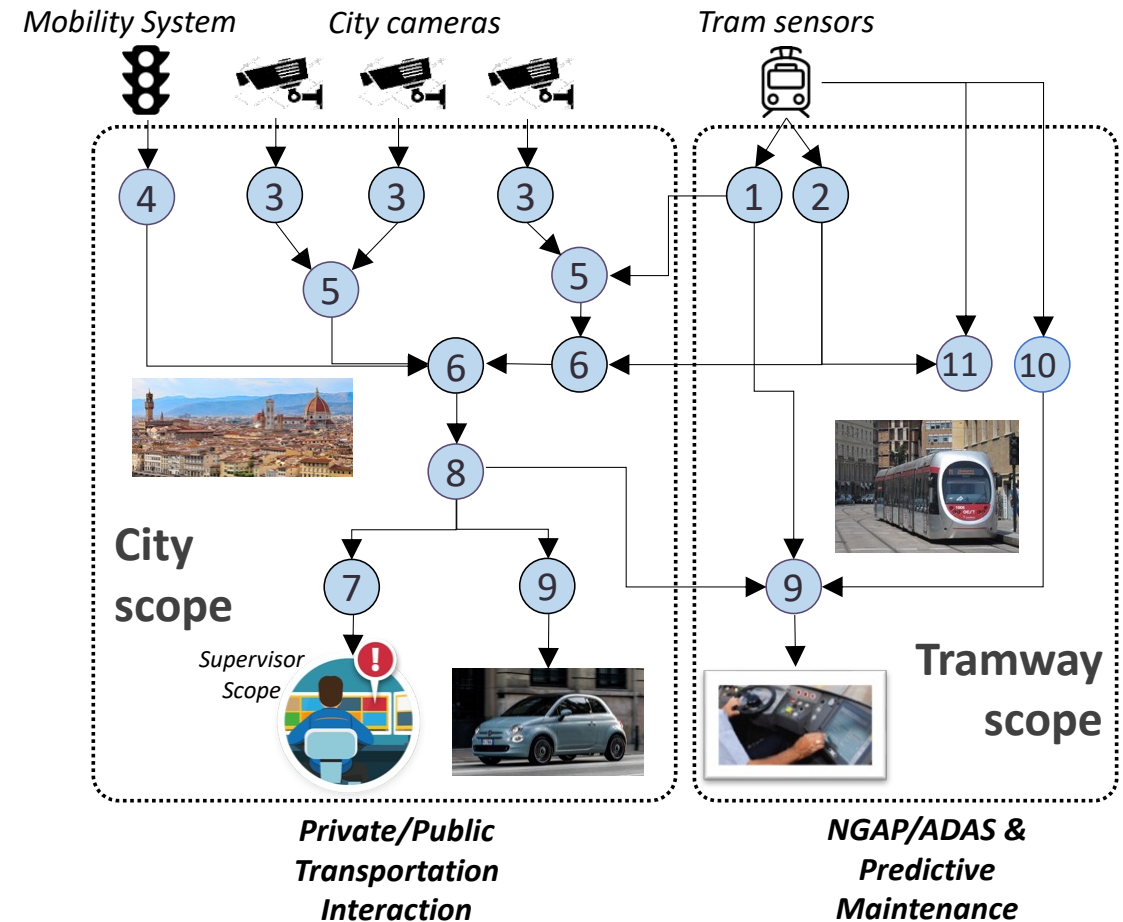
- There are not mature technical solutions capable of fully exploiting the capabilities of the compute continuum
- Very interesting research is still pending!
- Mobility experts will play a fundamental role

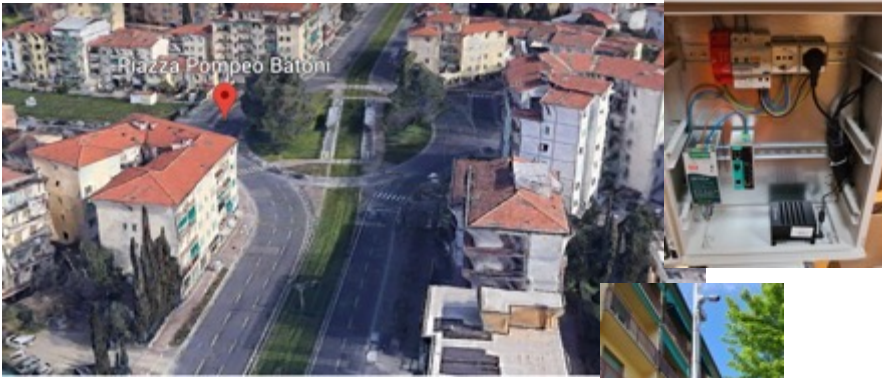
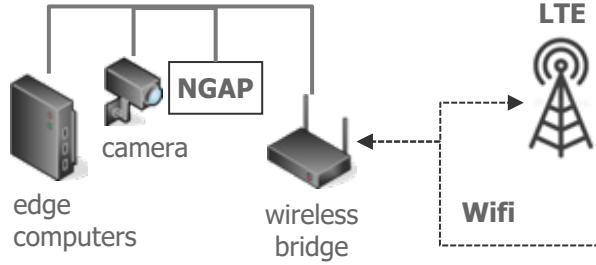


Complex Data Mining Workflows

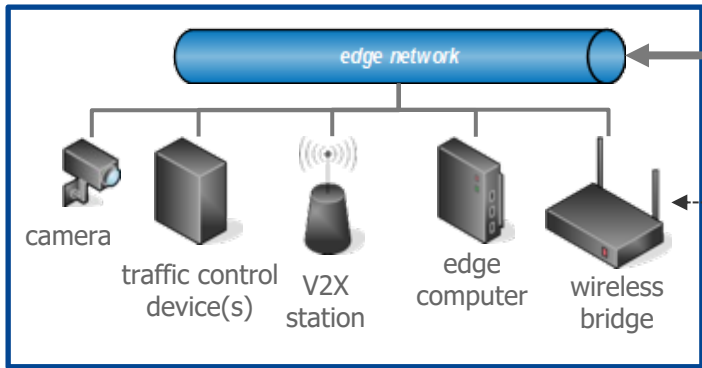
Data Analytics Methods

1. Sensor fusion (ADAS)
2. Tram position (NGAP)
3. Object detection, tracking & semantics
4. UTC/Supervisor consolidation
5. Data fusion
6. Data aggregation
10. Electric power consumption
11. Defect Detector
- 7. Dashboard**
- 8. Hazard detection**
- 9. Alert visualization (cars/trams)**

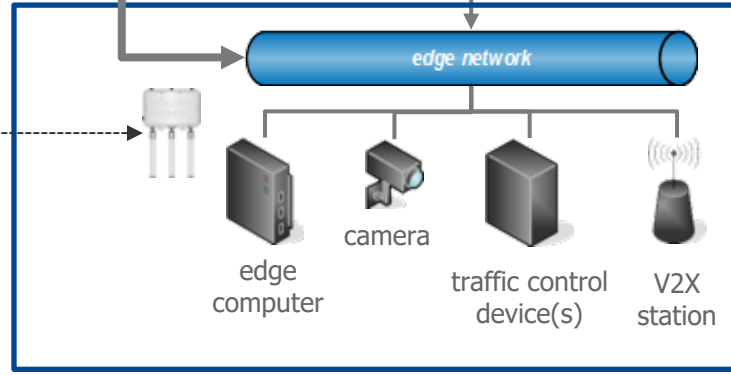
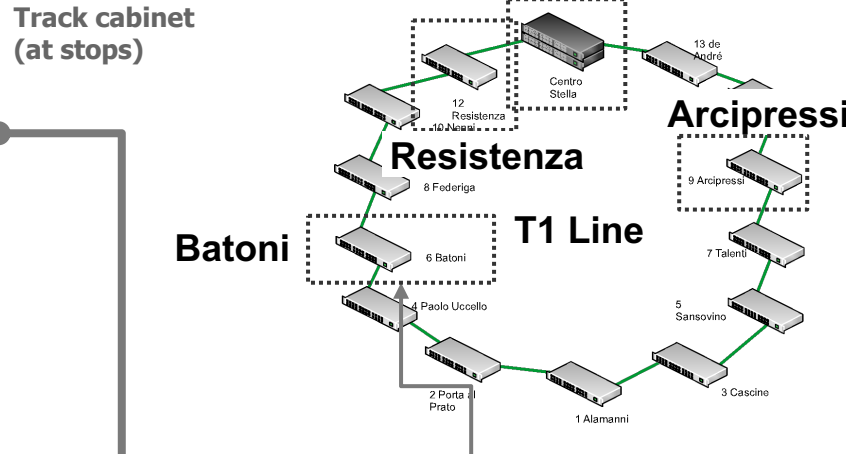




Field cabinet (e.g., pole)



Track cabinet (at stops)



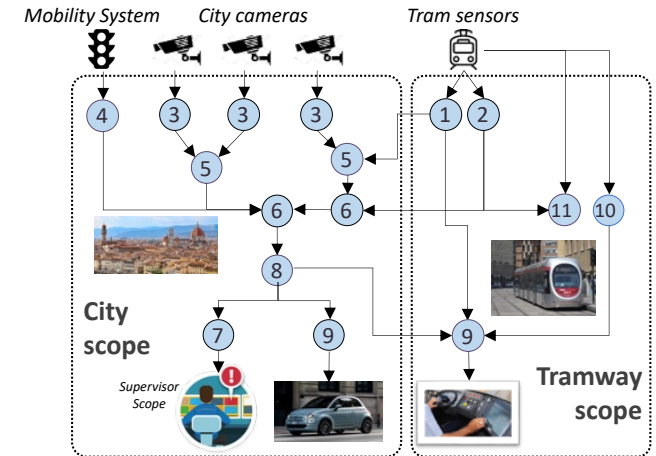
Cloud (GEST)



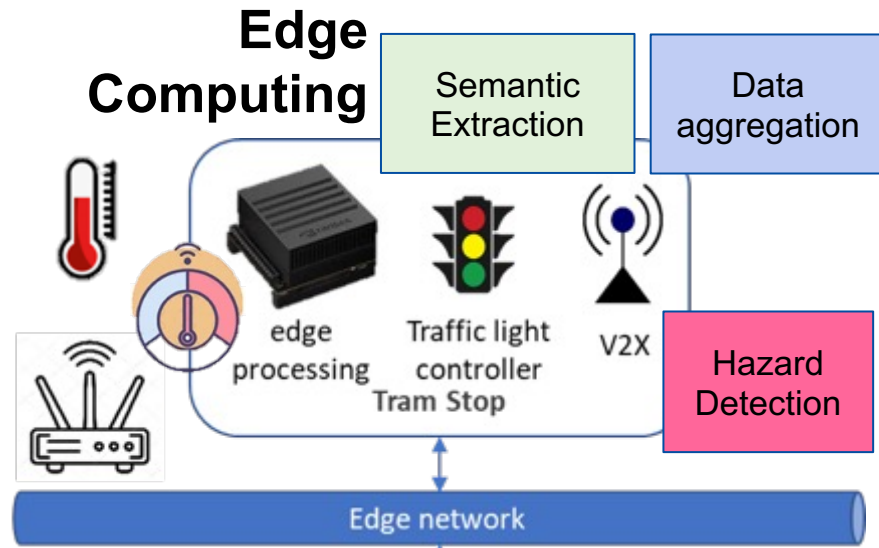
The Compute Continuum



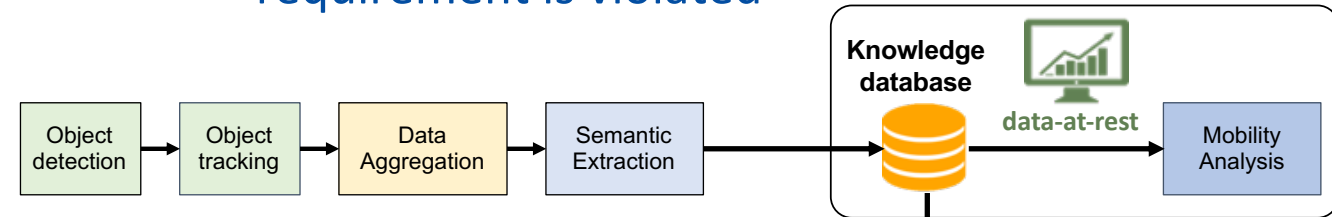
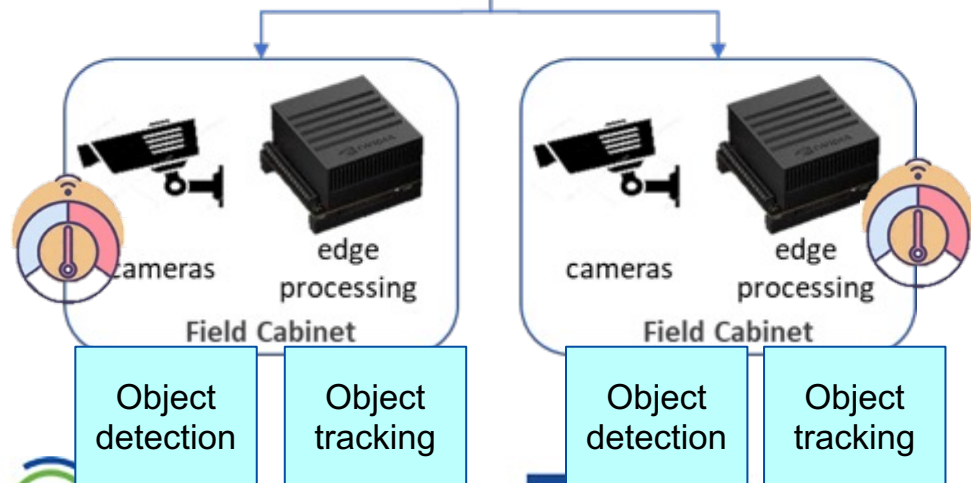
A Software Architecture for Extreme-Scale Big-Data Analytics in Fog Computing Ecosystems



Towards a unified and secured compute continuum



1. Automated **deployment** and **scheduling** of data-analytics
2. Constant **monitoring** of execution
3. **Re-scheduling** on-the-fly if a requirement is violated



Towards a unified and secured compute continuum

Data Science

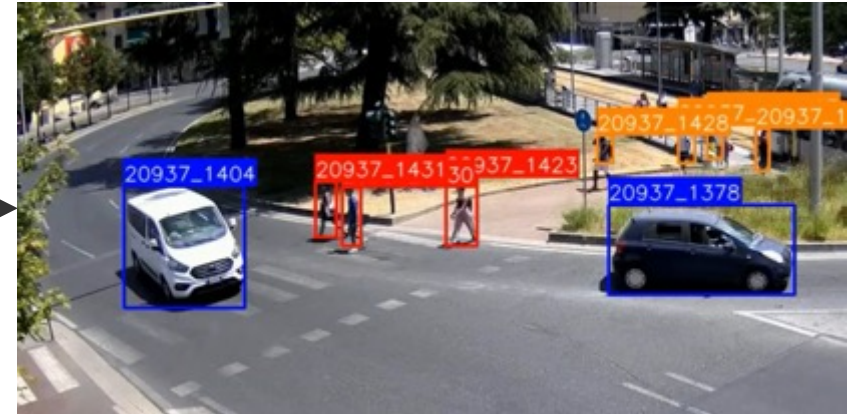
How many times pedestrians crosses in red?



STREET CAMERA



real-time alert to vehicles



Data Mining Workflow

Statistics
(Kalman Filters)

Object
Detection

Object
Tracking

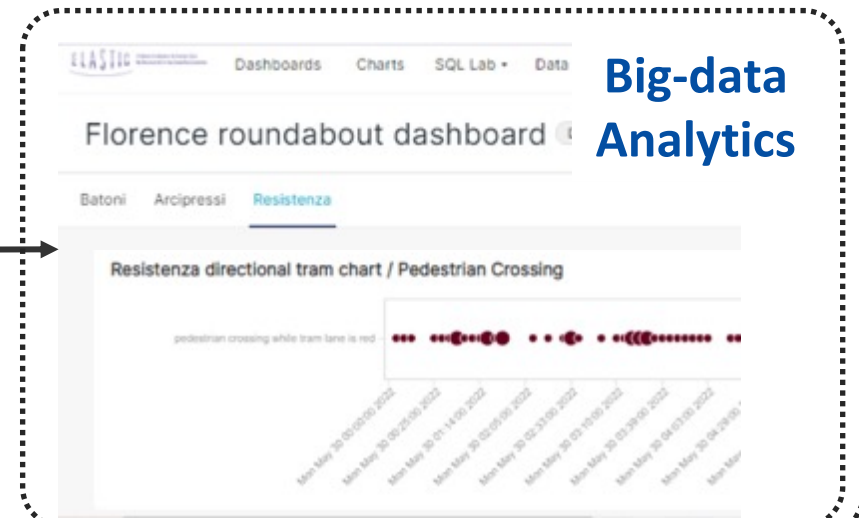
Semantic
Extraction

Hazard Detection:
*PersonAtCrossWalk-
SemaphoreRed*

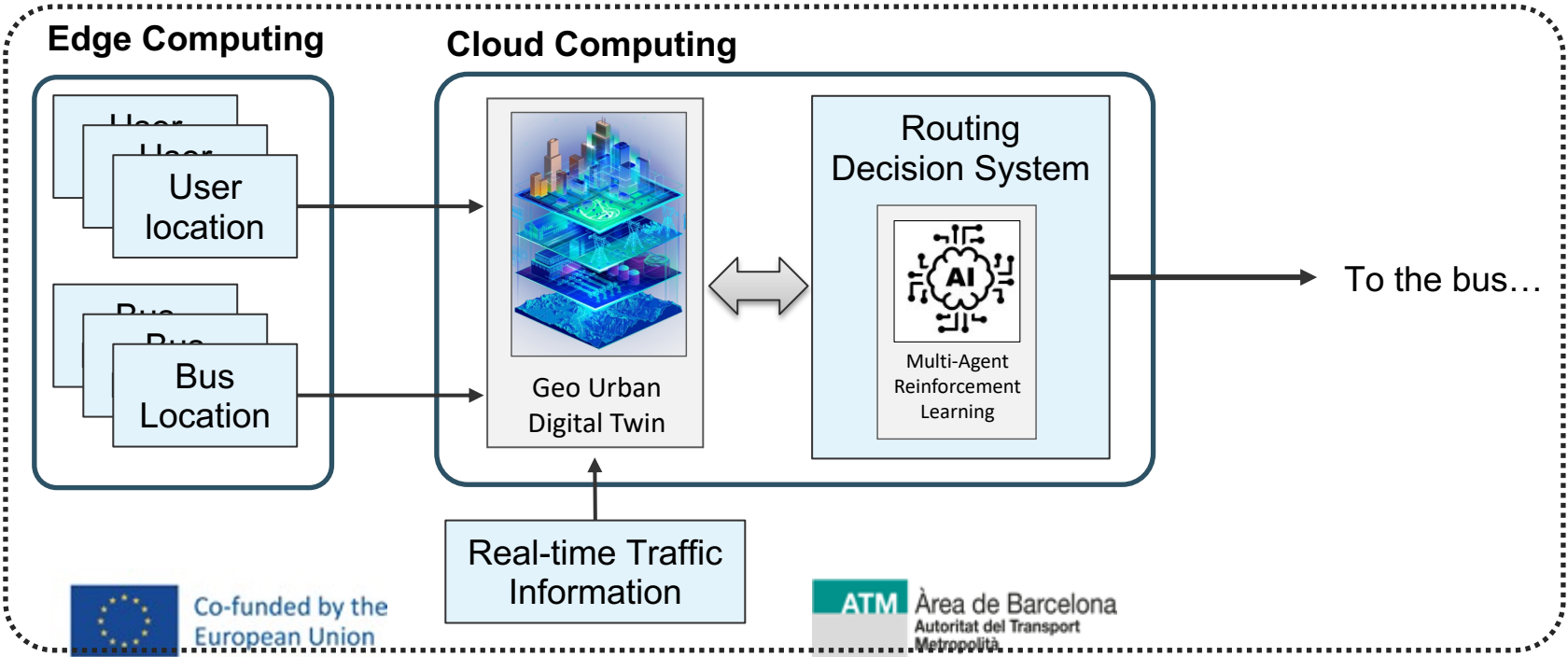
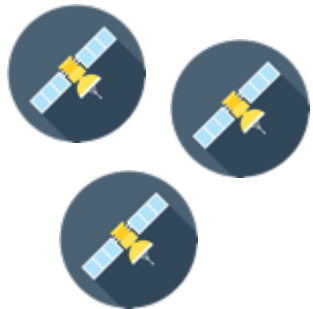
Programming Logic

*Supervised
Deep Learning*

*Computer
Vision*



On-demand bus service: Data Mining Workflow



European Research Level

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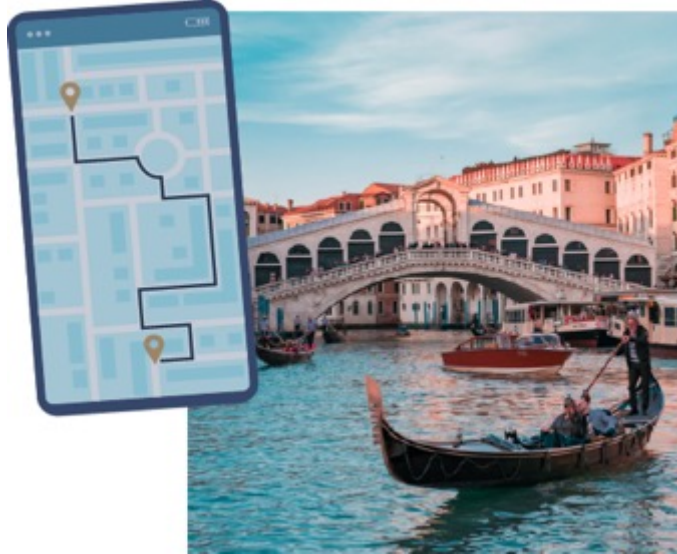


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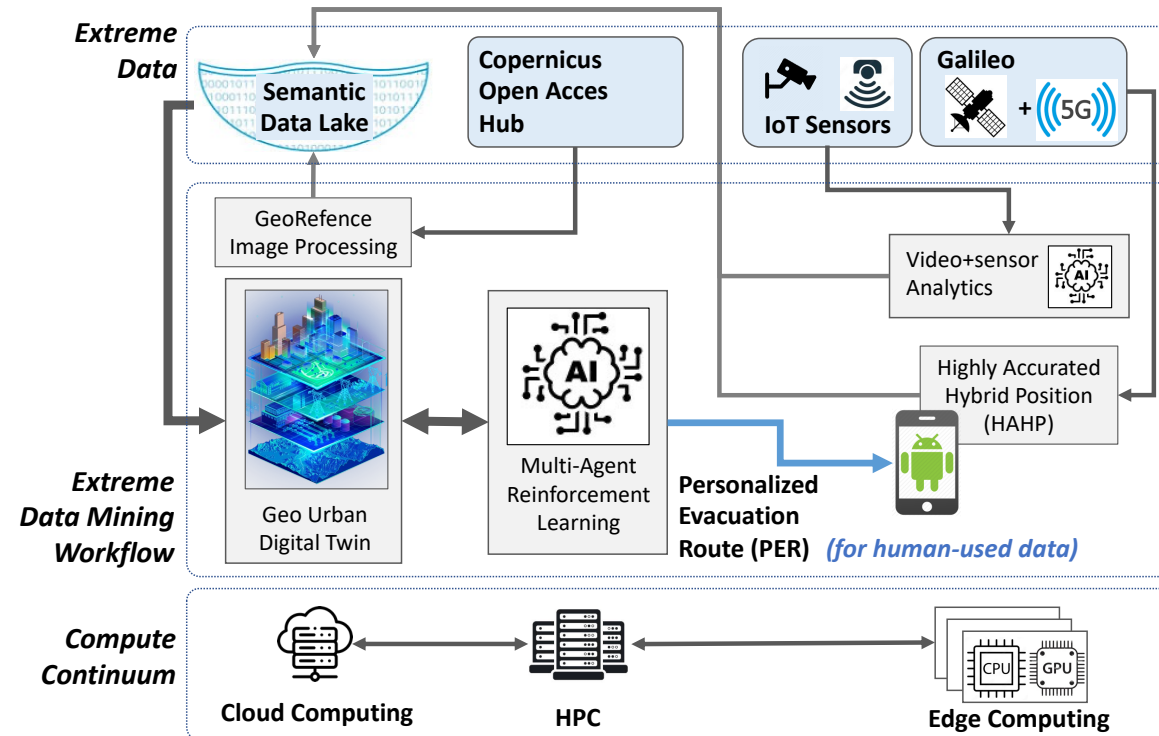
EXTRACT

A distributed data-mining software platform for extreme data across the compute continuum

<https://extract-project.eu>



Personalized Evacuation Routing System to guide citizens in the **city of Venice** through a safe route in real time



Next Research Projects

PROXIMITY (National Project)(2022 – 2025)

- Create an integrated 5G and edge ecosystem to facilitate real-time connectivity between end users, sensors and compute continuum to increase the performance of mobility services
- Real-time safety application for road users, focused around tramway intersections in Barcelona
- *Involved partners: BSC, Barcelona City Council and Tramway operator*

AIRURBAN (National Project) (2022 – 2025)

- Improve accuracy and time-granularity of vehicle-related emission and air quality models, incorporating real-time traffic information
- Pilot infrastructure in Barcelona to monitor traffic around existing air quality monitoring stations, to develop and validate microscopic emission models and enhanced air quality prediction
- *Involved partners: BSC, Barcelona City Council and Generalitat*





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