



# Using the Latest Features from the Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit to Create Your Own Custom Models

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# Speakers



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# Outline

- ▶ Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit
- ▶ Platform Extensions: ML-SPL, etc.
- ▶ Experiments: Guided Machine Learning
- ▶ Demo
- ▶ What's New
- ▶ Customer Success





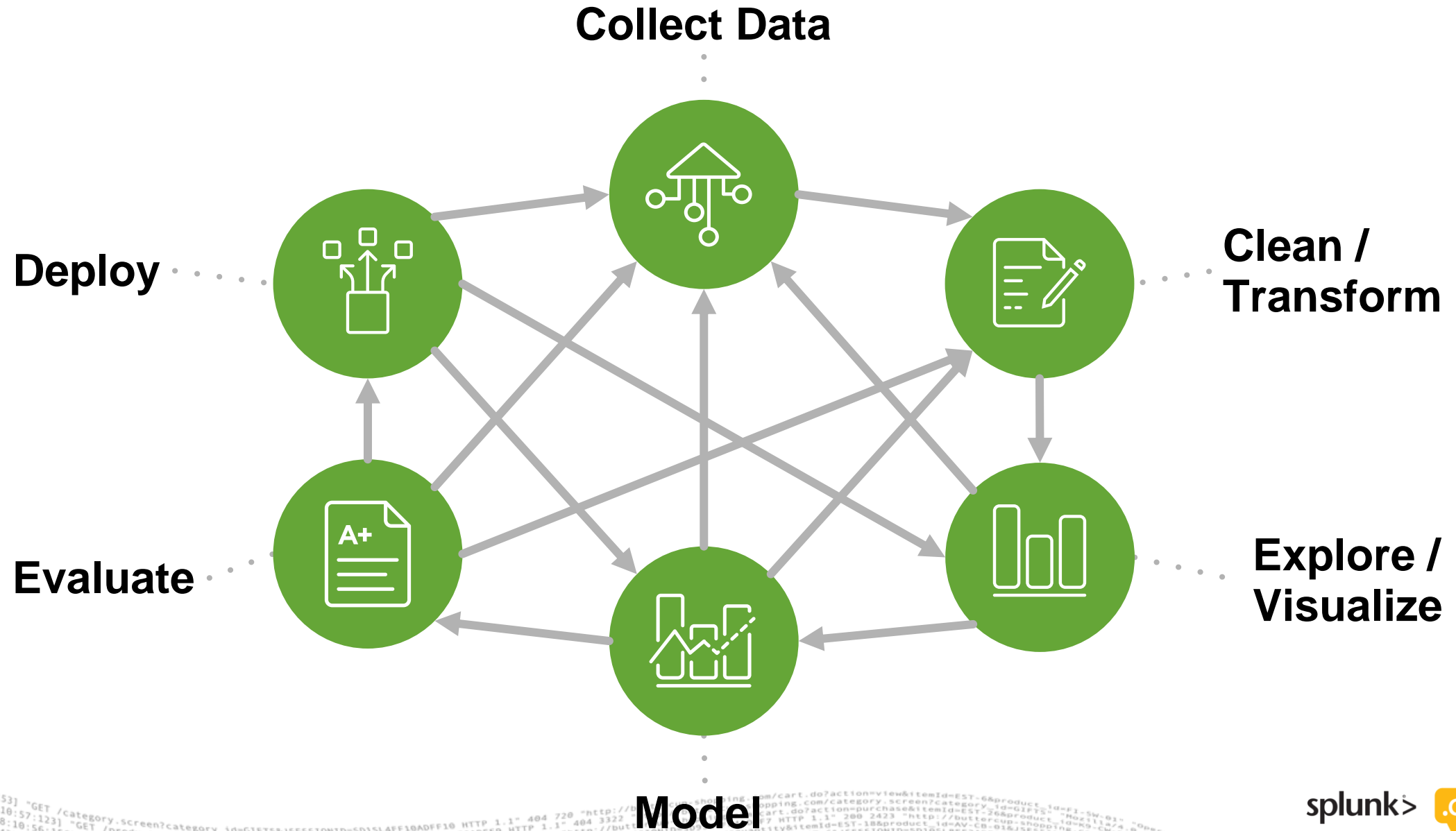
# Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit

platform extensions and guided modeling dashboards

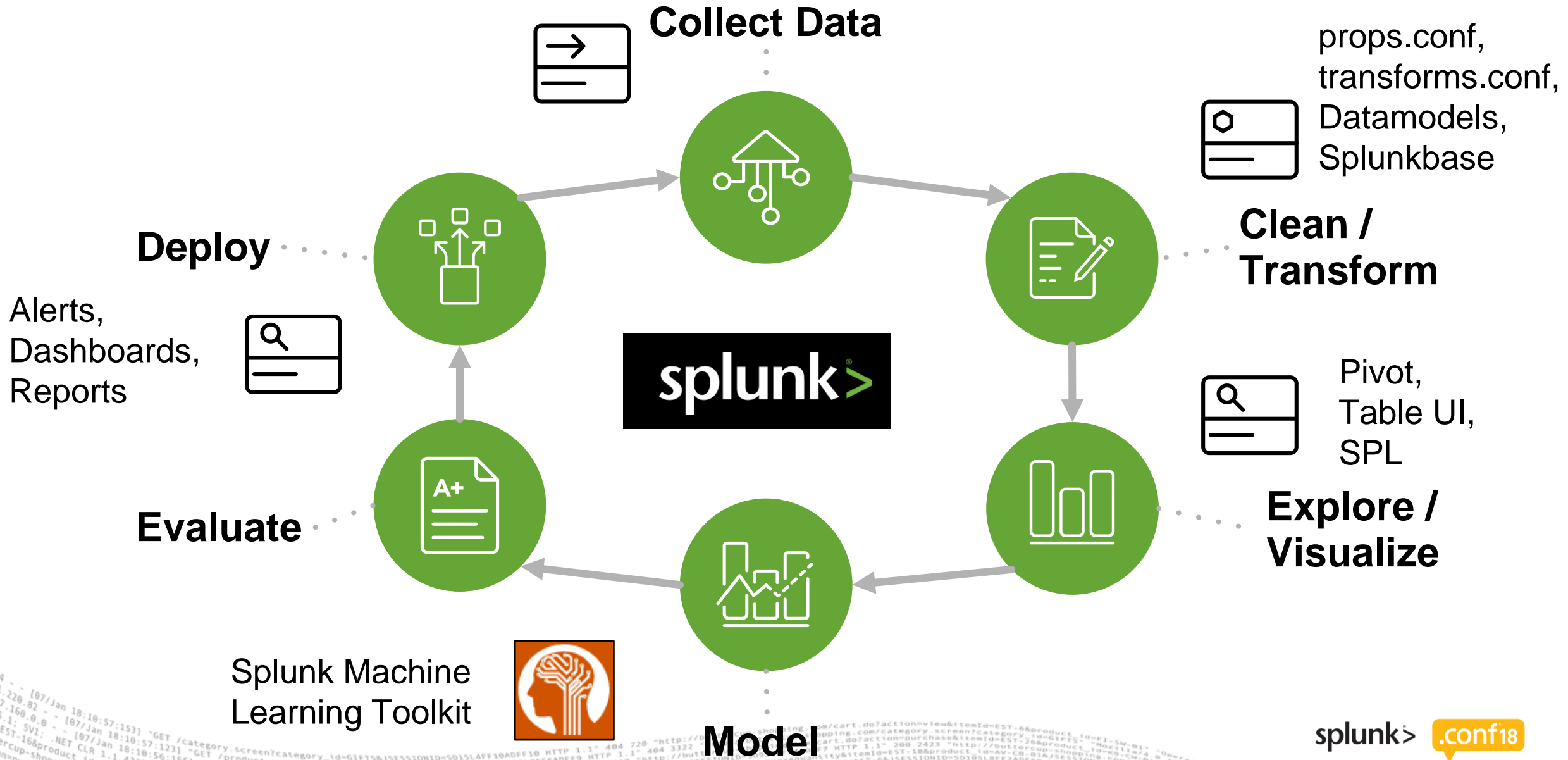
# Machine Learning

- ▶ A process for generalizing from examples
- ▶ Examples
  - $A, B, \dots \rightarrow \#$  (regression)
  - $A, B, \dots \rightarrow a$  (classification)
  - $X_{\text{past}} \rightarrow X_{\text{future}}$  (forecasting)
  - like with like (clustering)
  - $|X_{\text{predicted}} - X_{\text{actual}}| \gg 0$  (anomaly detection)

# Machine Learning Process



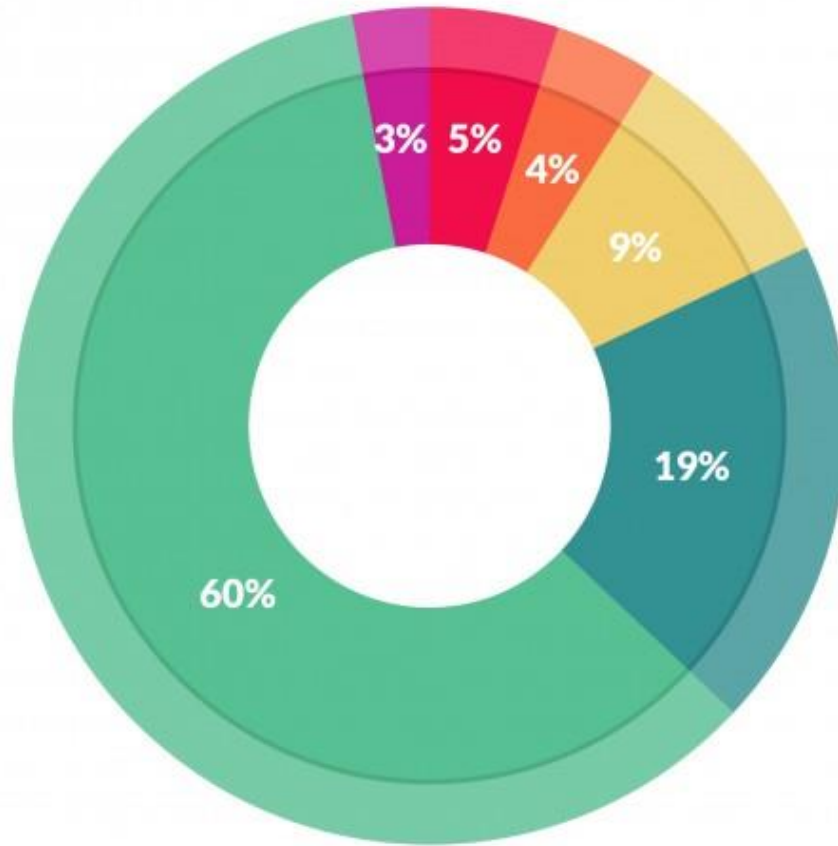
# Machine Learning Process with Splunk





# Data Gathering and Prep

Source: CrowdFlower



What data scientists spend the most time doing

- Building training sets: 3%
- Cleaning and organizing data: 60%
- Collecting data sets: 19%
- Mining data for patterns: 9%
- Refining algorithms: 4%
- Other: 5%

Want to learn more about data prep? Download the slides and recording for the following session.



## Getting Your Data Ready for Machine Learning

### Speakers

**Kristal Curtis**, Software Engineer, Machine Learning, Splunk

**Adam J. Oliner**, Director of Engineering, Splunk

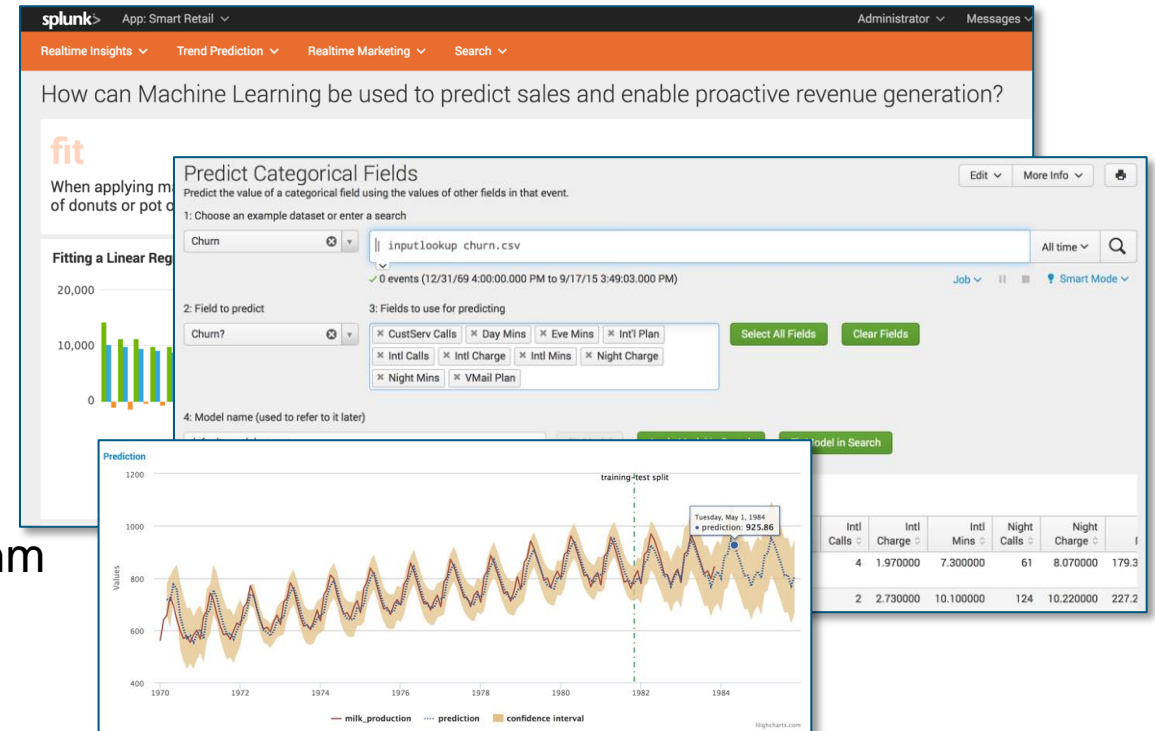
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# Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit

extends Splunk with new tools and guided modeling

- ▶ **Experiments:** Guided model building, testing, and deployment for common objectives
- ▶ **Showcases:** Interactive examples for typical IT, security, business, and IoT use cases
- ▶ **Algorithms:** 30 standard algorithms (supervised & unsupervised)
- ▶ **ML Commands:** New SPL commands to fit, test and operationalize models
- ▶ **ML-SPL API** Extensibility to easily import any algorithm (proprietary / open source)
- ▶ **Python for Scientific Computing Library:** Access to 300+ open source algorithms





# Platform Extensions

custom search commands for machine learning

Oh, my!

## ► Macros

- regressionstatistics
- classificationstatistics
- classificationreport
- confusionmatrix
- forecastviz
- histogram
- modvizpredict
- splitby(1-5)

► **Viz**

- Outliers Chart
- Forecast Chart
- Scatter Line Chart
- Histogram Chart
- Downsampled Line Chart
- Scatterplot Matrix
- Box Plot Chart

# ML-SPL Commands

- Fit (i.e., train) a model from search results  
... | fit <ALGORITHM> <TARGET> from <VARIABLES ...>  
          <PARAMETERS> into <MODEL>
- Apply a model to obtain predictions from (new) search results  
... | apply <MODEL>
- Inspect a model (e.g., display coefficients)  
  | summary <MODEL>
- Score the prediction results  
... | score <SCORE\_METHOD> <ACTUAL> ~ <PREDICTED>





# ML-SPL Algorithms

- ▶ 30 algorithms OotB
  - prediction, clustering, forecasting, feature engineering
- ▶ Extensibility API for 300+ more
- ▶ Pipeline for advanced use cases

```
... | fit TFIDF message
    | fit StandardScaler files bytes
    | fit KMeans message_tfidf_* SS_* k=5
    | fit PCA message_tfidf_* k=2
    | ...
```

# ML-SPL Commands: apply

```
... | apply <MODEL>
```

## Examples:

```
... | apply temp_model
```

```
... | apply user_behavior_clusters
```





# ML-SPL Commands: summary

... | summary <MODEL>

## Examples:

```
... | summary temp_model
```

```
... | summary user_behavior_clusters
```

# ML-SPL Commands

```
| listmodels  
| deletemodel <MODEL>
```

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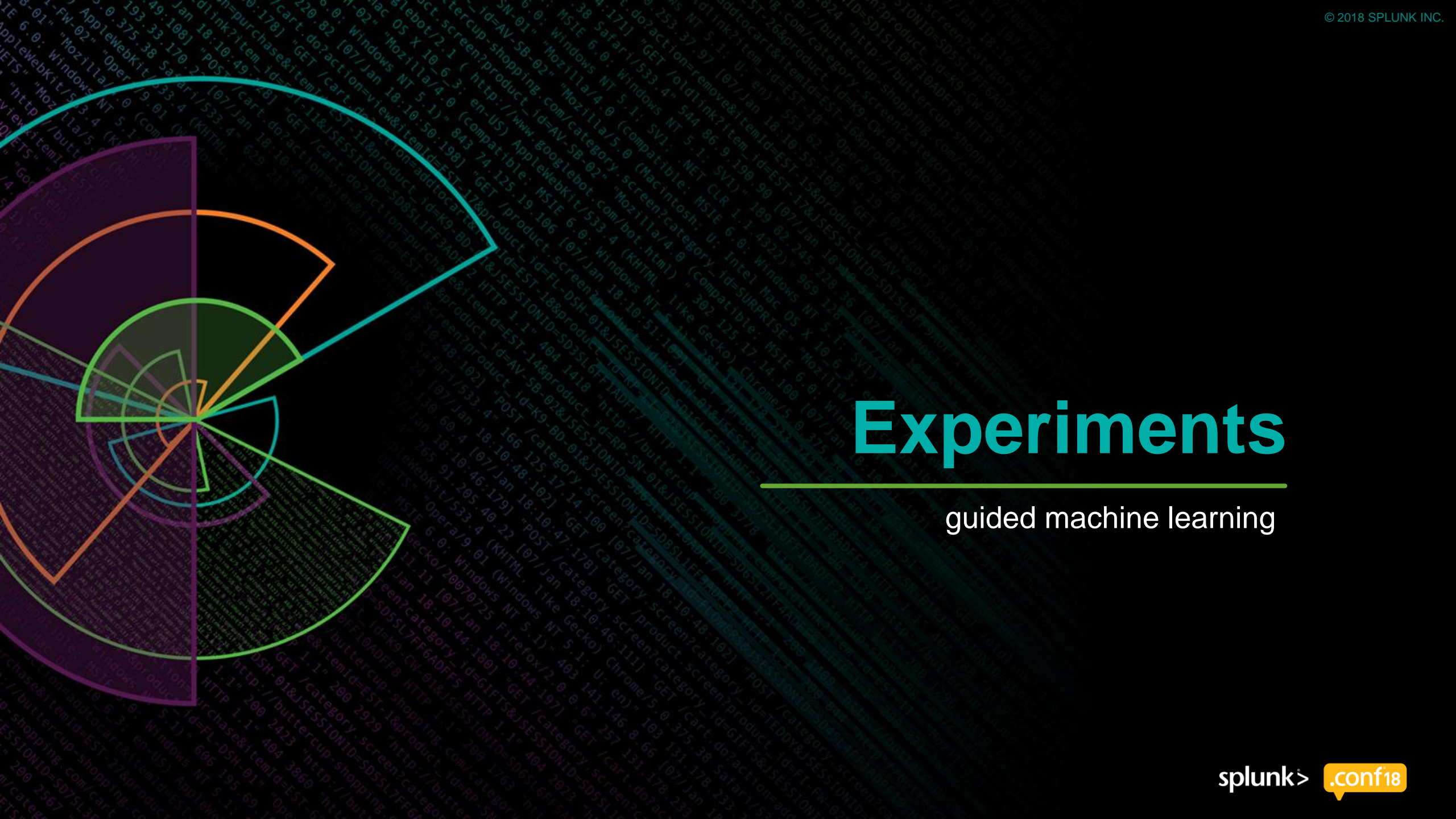
# ML-SPL Commands: sample

- Randomly sample or partition events

```
... | sample <PARAMETERS>
```

- Four modes

- Ratio ... | sample 0.01
- Count ... | sample 20
- Proportional ... | sample proportional="some\_field"
- Partition ... | sample partitions=10



# Experiments

guided machine learning

- ▶ Guides you through an analysis
- ▶ Automatically generates all the relevant SPL



```
// apply preprocessing steps
```

```
// fit and save a model using the entire dataset
and provided parameters
```

# Experiments: Prepare

## Preprocessing Steps

StandardScaler

Preprocess method

StandardScaler

Select the fields to preprocess.

total\* (1)

Standardize Fields

☒ with respect to mean ☒ with respect to standard deviation

Apply

PCA

Preprocess method

PCA

Select the fields to preprocess.

SS\* (1)

K (# of Components)

2

Apply

[+ Add a step](#)

### Preview Results



# Experiments: Fit

Algorithm

RandomForestRegress... ▼

Field to predict

ac\_power ▼

Fields to use for predicting

SS\* (1) ▼

Split for training / test: 50 / 50

N Estimators

(optional)

Max Depth

(optional)

Max Features

(optional)

Min Samples Split

(optional)

Max Leaf Nodes

(optional)

Save the model as

server\_power

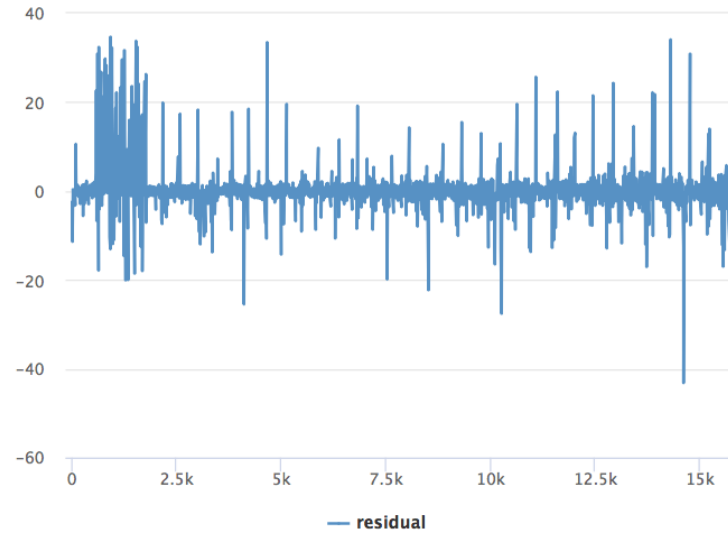
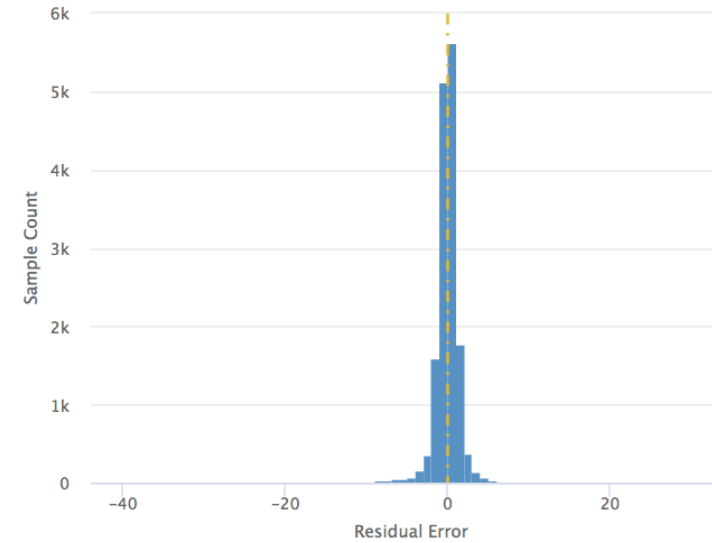
Fit Model

Schedule Training

Open in Search

Show SPL

# Experiments: Validate

Residuals Line Chart [🔗](#)[Open in Search](#)[Show SPL](#)Residuals Histogram [🔗](#)[Open in Search](#)[Show SPL](#)R<sup>2</sup> Statistic [🔗](#)**0.9890**Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) [🔗](#)**2.53**Fit Model Parameters Summary [🔗](#)

feature ↕	importance ▼
SS_total-last_level_cache_references	0.651435868505
SS_total-unhalted_core_cycles	0.176109167544
SS_total-cpu-utilization	0.16519150123
SS_total-memory_bus_transactions	0.00488073638554
SS_total-instructions_retired	0.00173402250591

# Experiments: Deploy

## Experiments

[Create New Experiment](#)
**Predict Numeric Fields**

**1**
**Predict Categorical Fields**

**0**
**Detect Numeric Outliers**

**1**
**Detect Categorical Outliers**

**0**
**Forecast Time Series**

**0**
**Cluster Numeric Events**

**0**

1 Experiments

Filter by experiment name



i	Experiment Name ^	Algorithm			Actions
>	Power Prediction	RandomForestRegressor			<a href="#">Manage</a> ▾ <a href="#">Publish</a>

Create Alert

 Edit Title and  
Description

Schedule Training

Delete

# Experiments

- ▶ Predict Numeric Fields
- ▶ Predict Categorical Fields
- ▶ Detect Numeric Outliers
- ▶ Detect Categorical Outliers
- ▶ Forecast Time Series
- ▶ Cluster Numeric Events



# Let's Build a Custom Model!

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# What's New?

since last .conf

# Major Highlights

(since .conf 2017)



## Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit Updates

Includes new features for the Experiment Framework, algorithms, pre-processing steps, validation options etc.



## Python for Scientific Computing 1.3 Update

Updated libraries giving you access to new and modified algorithms and its parameters.



## Splunk MLTK Connector for Apache Spark™

Massive model building with MLlib directly from Splunk and SPL, No Scala skills required. (Limited Availability Release)



## GitHub MLTK Community

Leverage and share algorithms collaboratively with the broader MLTK community



## Splunk MLTK Container for Tensor Flow

Container based neural networks, leveraging GPUs/CPU's.

# Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit Updates

- **Experiment Management Framework:** A unified UI that provides the ability to:
  - Set roles based access control on experiments
  - Browsing and filtering pre-built models
  - Monitoring and scheduling alerts and searches
  - Getting history statistics about experiment's previous runs and alerts
- **Score Command:** A new command for validating models and statistical tests for any use case, shipping with N algorithms today.
- **K-fold Cross-validation:** A popular and powerful way to quickly reduce model overfitting.
- **UI for MLSPL.CONF:** A interface to give user the power to change the safe settings if required for app level mlspl configuration.



# Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit Updates

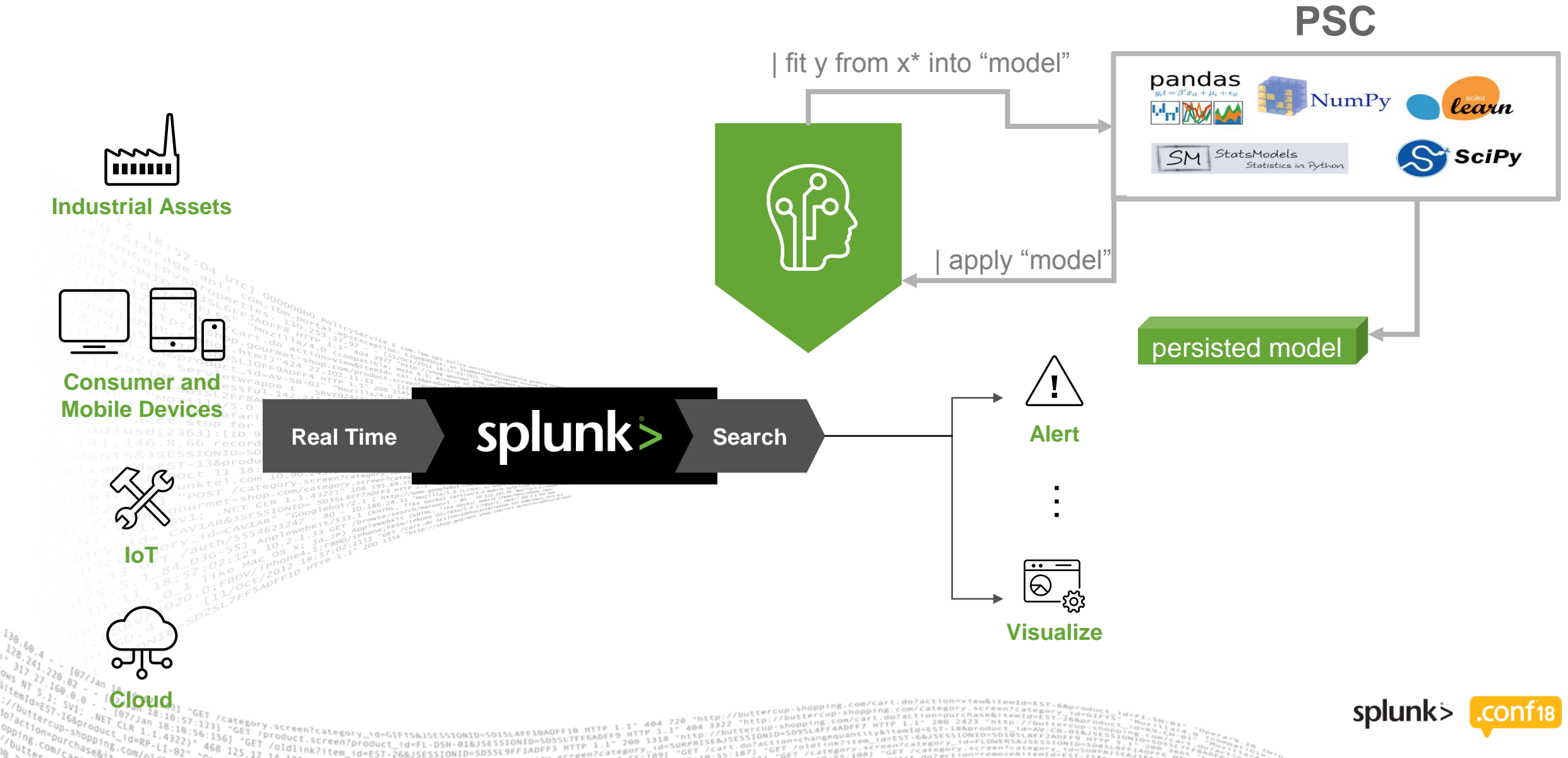
- **New out-of-the-box algorithms**

- **Local Outlier Factor** : Unsupervised anomaly detection.
- **Multi-layer Perceptron Classifier** : Neural network-based supervised classifier.
- **Robust Scaler** : Re-scaling algorithm that is robust to outliers.
- **X-Means**: Unsupervised clustering.

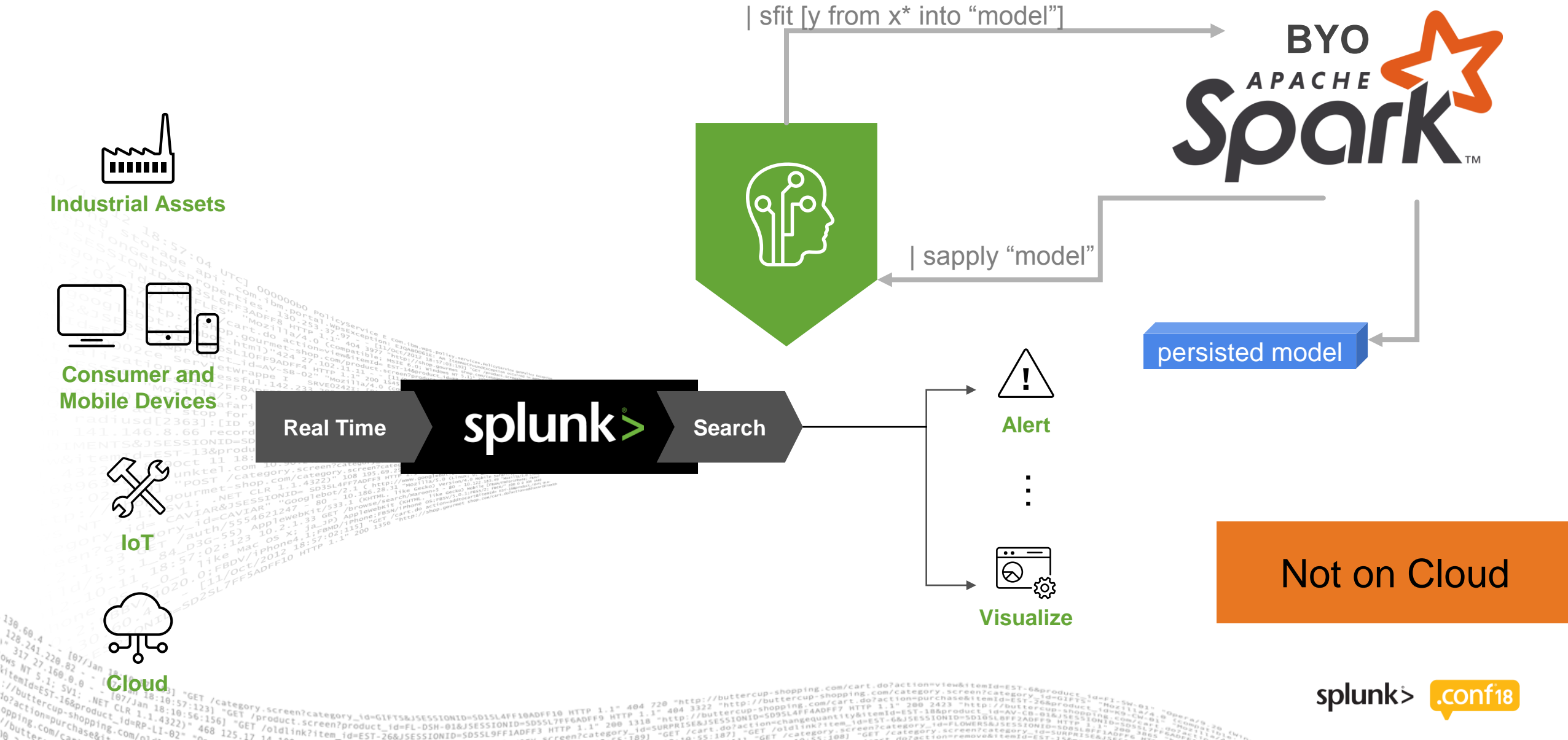
- **New pre-processing steps**

- **Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency** : Feature extraction on unstructured text.
- **Field Selector**: Feature selection.

# MLTK 4.0 - Python for Scientific Computing 1.3



# Splunk MLTK Connector for Apache Spark™ (Limited Availability Release)



# MLTK 4.0 - Splunk Community for MLTK Algorithms on GitHub

## A community github for sharing algorithm files

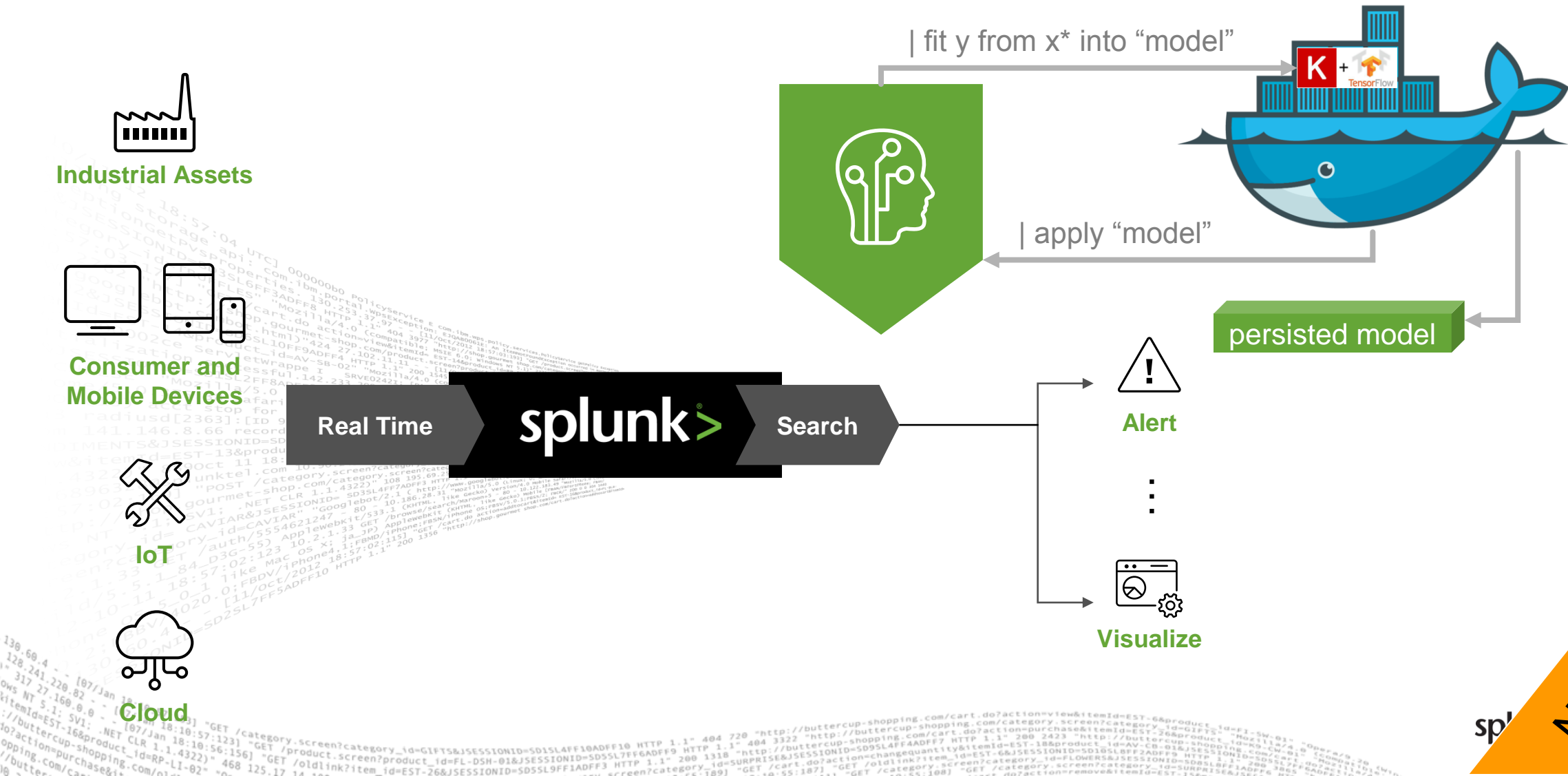
*“The creation of the Splunk Community for MLTK Algorithms on GitHub will help us find new functionality within the catalog at a much faster rate, which will allow us to get even more use out of the Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit,”*  
 said **Nathan Worsham, IS Security Administrator, Pinnacol**



**splunk>** Platform for Operational Intelligence



# Splunk MLTK Container for TensorFlow™ (via PS Whiteglove)



# Want to know more?

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## FN1364 - Using Spark and MLlib for Large Scale Machine Learning With Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit

(Thursday, Oct 04, 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.)

**Lin Ma**, Principal Software Engineer, Splunk  
**Fred Zhang**, Principal Data Scientist, Splunk



## FN1409 - Thank You for Sharing: Expanding Machine Learning using Splunk MLTK GitHub Collaboration

(Thursday, Oct 04, 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.)

**Gyanendra Rana**, Senior Product Manager, Splunk  
**Nathan Worsham**, IS Security Administrator, Pinnacol Assurance



## FN1478 - Exciting, To-Be-Announced Platform Session

Wednesday, Oct 03, 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

**Phillipp Drieger**, Staff Machine Learning Architect, Splunk







# Customer Success

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# ML Success Story



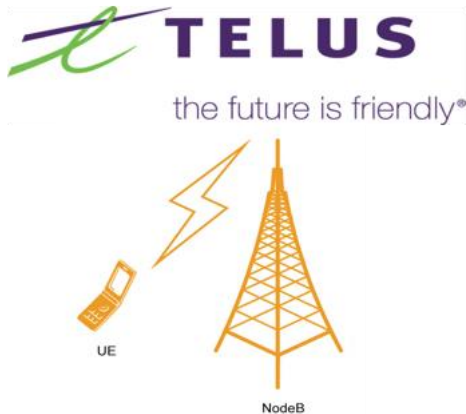
# Consumer Credit Reporting Agency

## Acting on a Critical Customer Outages before the Customer Calls You



**RECURSION**  
pharmaceuticals

**Many different machines are part of the drug discovery process, and machines acting abnormally mean a loss in efficiency and increased costs.**



**Detect interference in cell towers**  
**Re-configure underperforming**  
**cells for optimal services levels**



## Improving cell tower uptime and reducing repair truck rolls with anomaly detection and root cause analysis

# ML Success Story



# Entertainment Company

## Predicting and averting potential gaming outage conditions with finer-grained detection

## Preventing fraud by Identifying malicious accounts and suspicious activities



## Find errors in server pools, then prioritize actions and associate root cause

## Online Retailer



## Failed orders detected in real time to avoid lost revenue and unhappy customers



## Predicting Student Achievement and taking action to improve grades





**The latest release of Splunk Machine Learning Toolkit makes it significantly easier to process large amounts of data and find patterns to see what's right or wrong. Splunk's continued evolution of the Experiment Management Framework, including new tools to help validate our machine learning models, streamlines the complicated process of operationalizing machine learning.**

**Sundaresh Ramanathan, Director, IT Operations Analytics, Kinney Group, Inc.**



# Thank You

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