

Ethical Bias in Machine Learning

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Agenda

01 Motivation

Why is there a need for fairness in machine learning?

02 Problem Statement

What is the problem we are trying to solve?

03 Data and its features

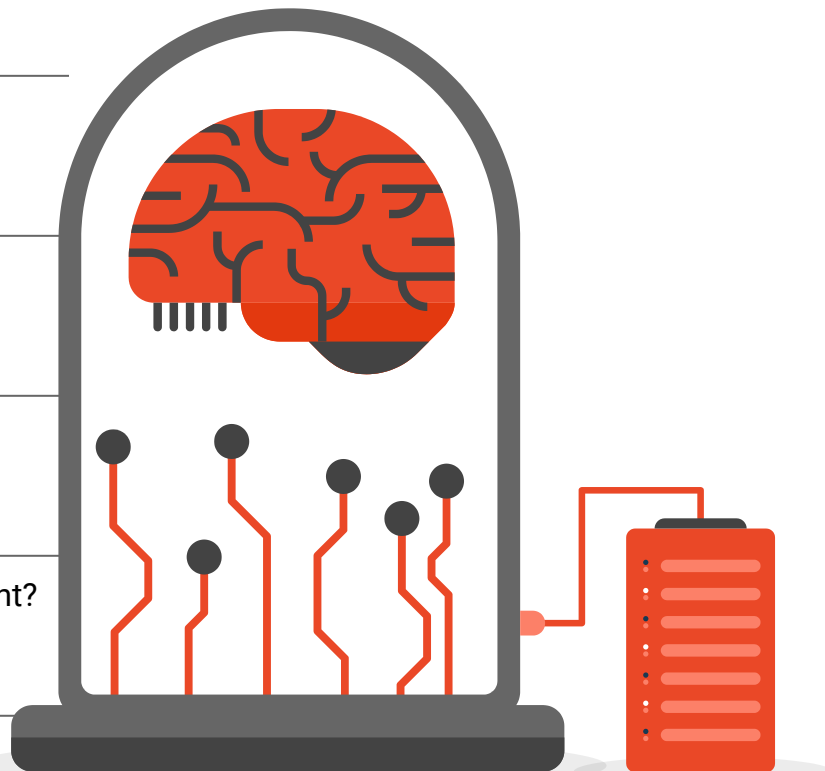
What are the features of data used?

04 Matching and Prediction Methodology

What are the methodologies used to prove the statement?

05 Results and Next steps

What are the findings and where do we head next?



MOTIVATION

AI bias in COMPAS

- Correctional Offender Management Profiling for Alternative Sanctions
- US court systems
- Likelihood of defendant being rearrested

What went wrong?

- Predicted **twice** as many **false positives** for black offenders than others

Gender bias in lending

- AI systems for loan approvals and amounts
- European banks

What went wrong?

- Black and Hispanics **80% more likely to be rejected**
- Women approved amounts **14,000 euros lower on average**

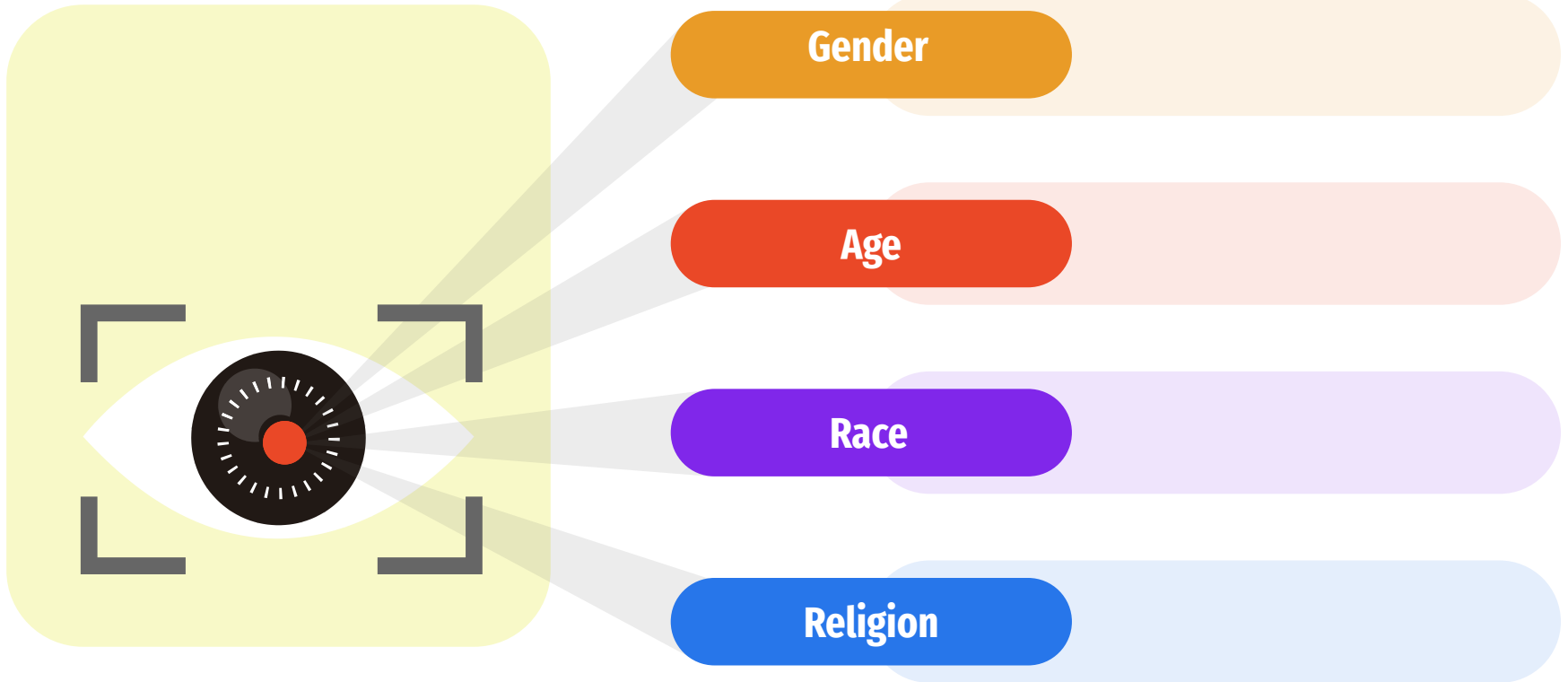
Bias in hiring

- Resume ranking
- Amazon's recruiting engine
- Trained on historical data

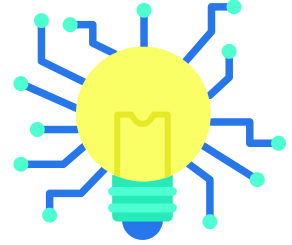
What went wrong?

- Penalized the word **"women's"**
- Little significance to skills **not** found on men's resumes

Sources of Bias



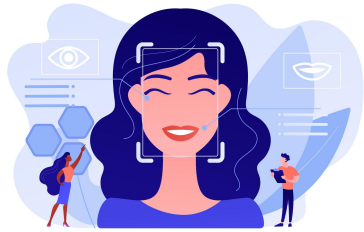
Problem Statement



- **Matching:** Can the users be matched on data other than demographic?
Spending behavior?
Social Network?
- **Prediction:** Can we predict user behavior without using demographic data?
How well?

Input data

Data Sources



Face ++

Demographic
(Race, Gender, Age)

Venmo

Behavioural
(Type of activity, no.of friends)

Social Network

Transactional

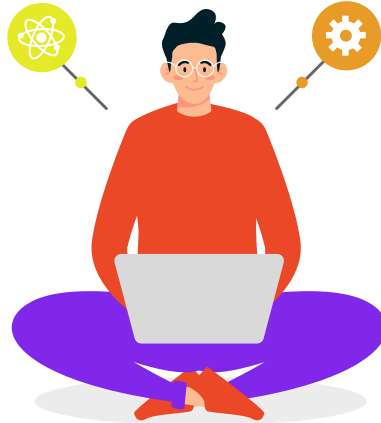


Behavioural Features

Social Network

Identifies the user social network behavior

- **Friends**
- **Friends of Friends**
- **Clustering coefficient**

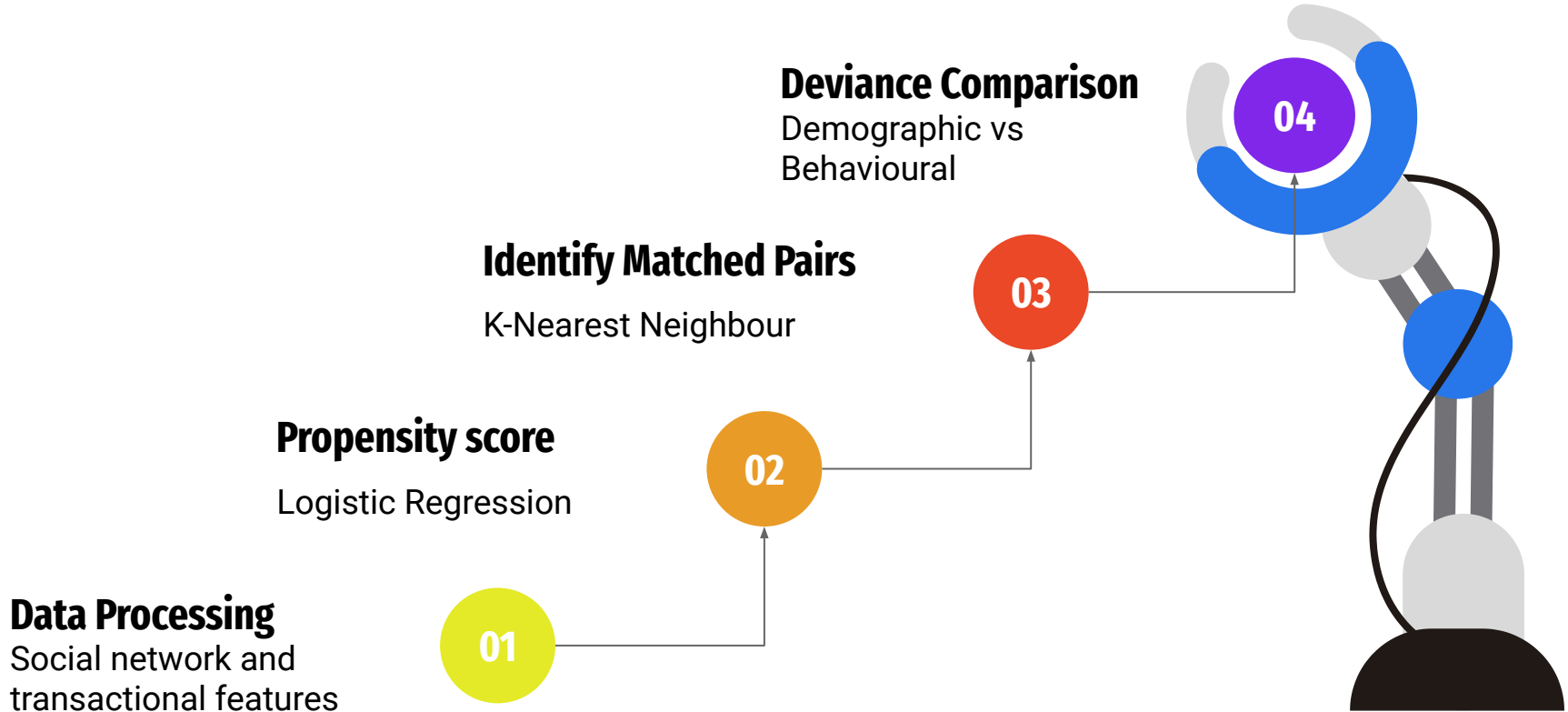


Transactional

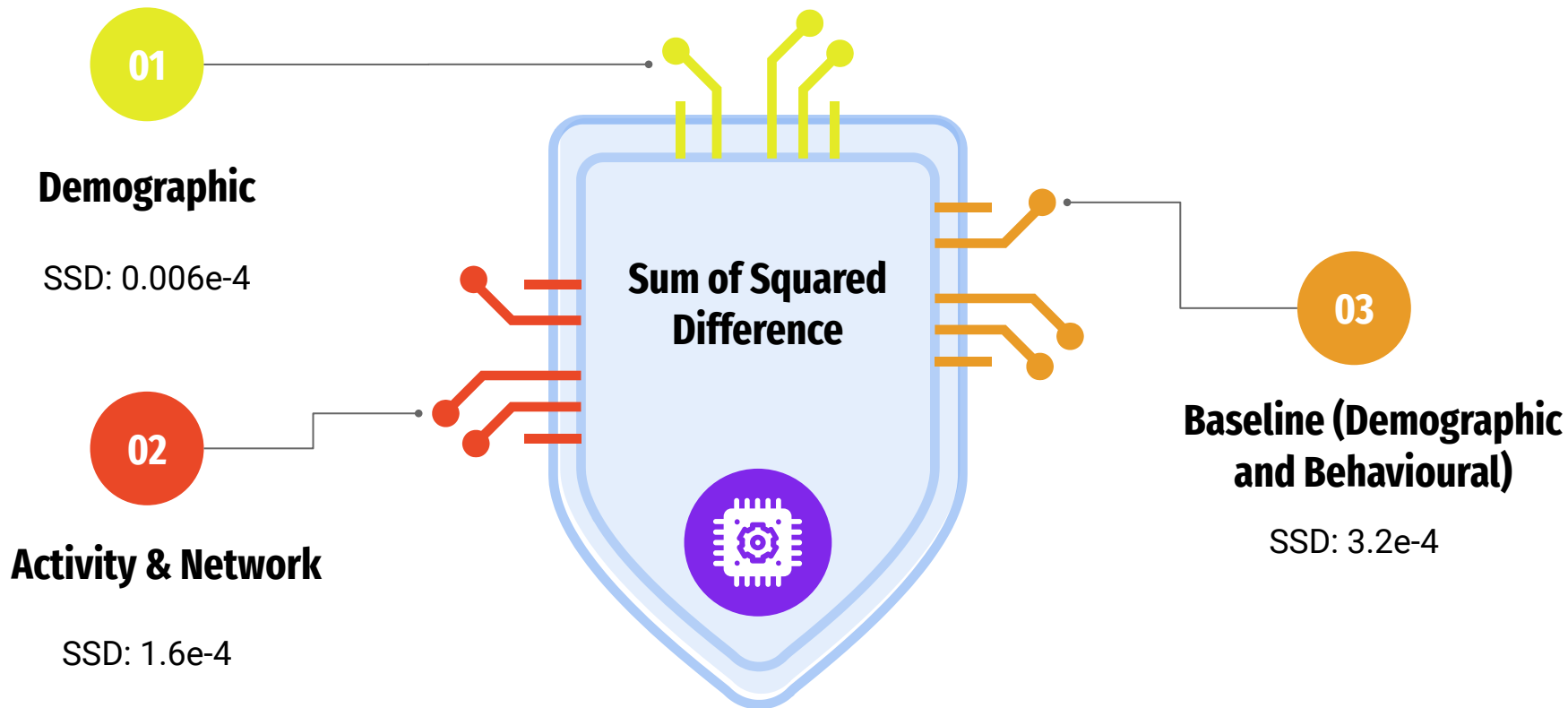
Identifies the user spending behaviour

- **Recency**
- **Frequency**
- **Activity**

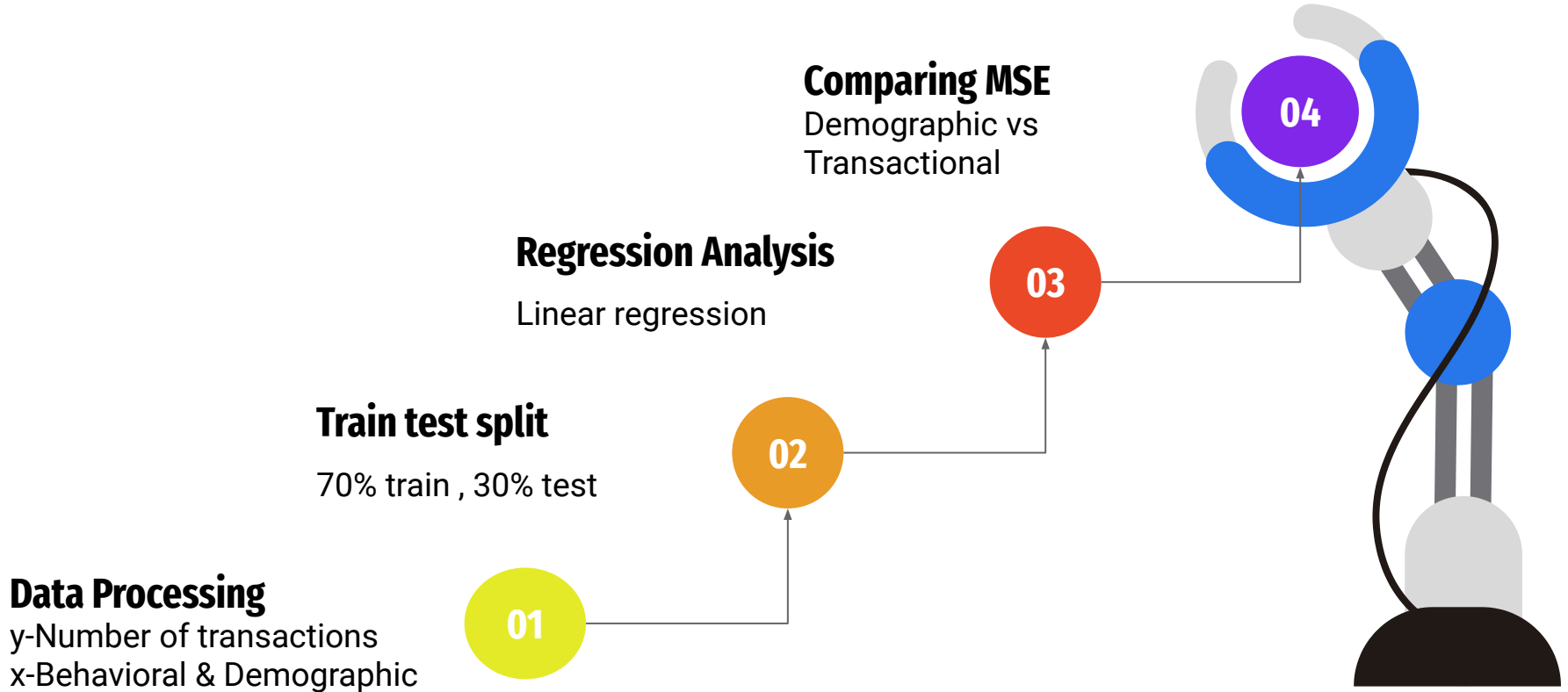
Matching Methodology



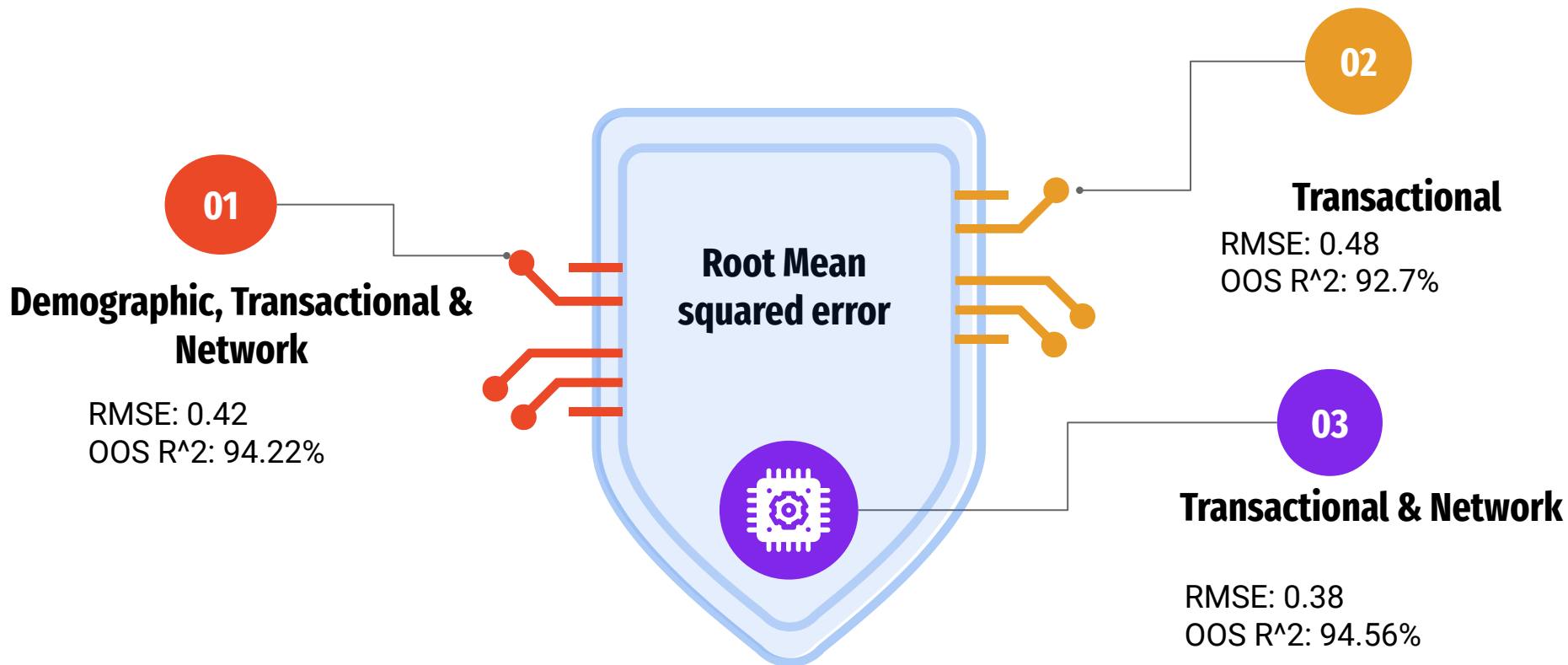
Results Comparison



Prediction Methodology



Results Comparison



Next Steps

What about new users?

Use average of existing users

- Average of transactional and social network behavior of existing users

How long to collect data?

- Compare different user lifetimes

Relevant Feature

Social Network

- Social network activity
- Lifetime of network
- Frequency of transaction of network

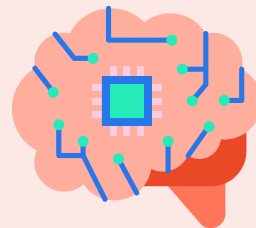
Transactions

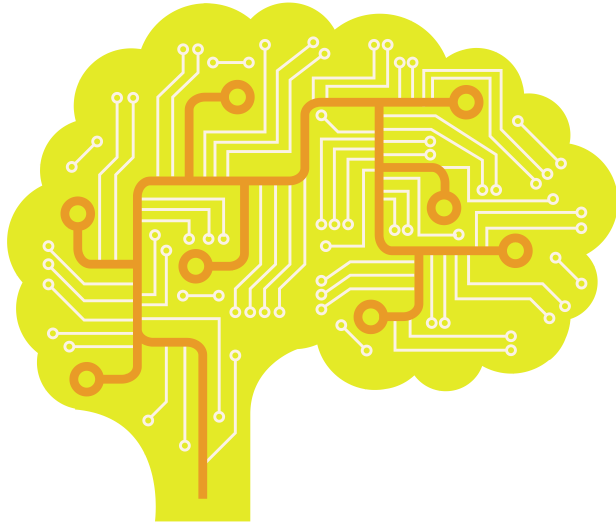
- User persona based on trend in transaction
- Remove variables correlated with demographics

Custom Metrics

User similarity

- Cosine similarity
- Euclidean distance
- Jaccard similarity





Thank You!

Questions?