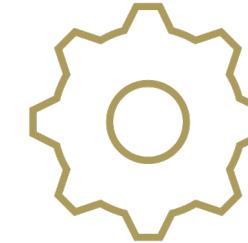




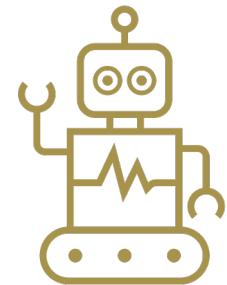
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Systems using  
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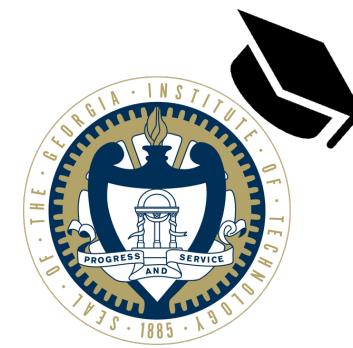
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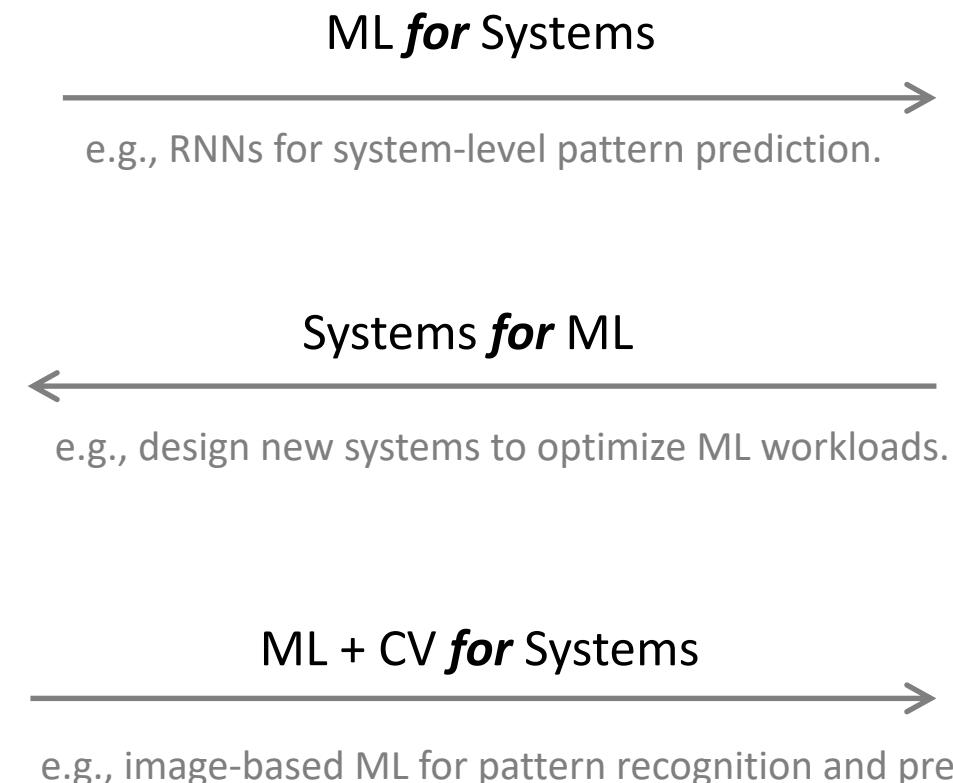
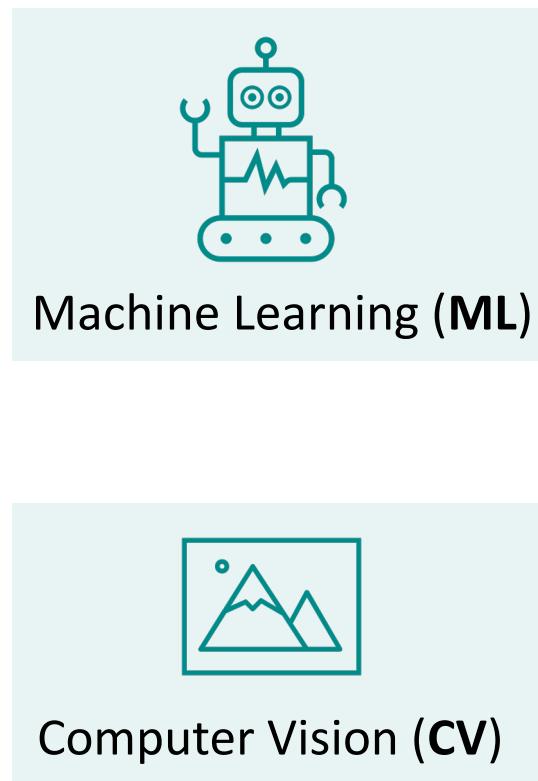
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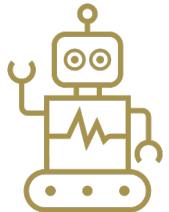
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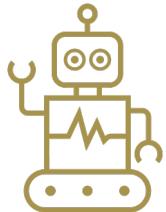
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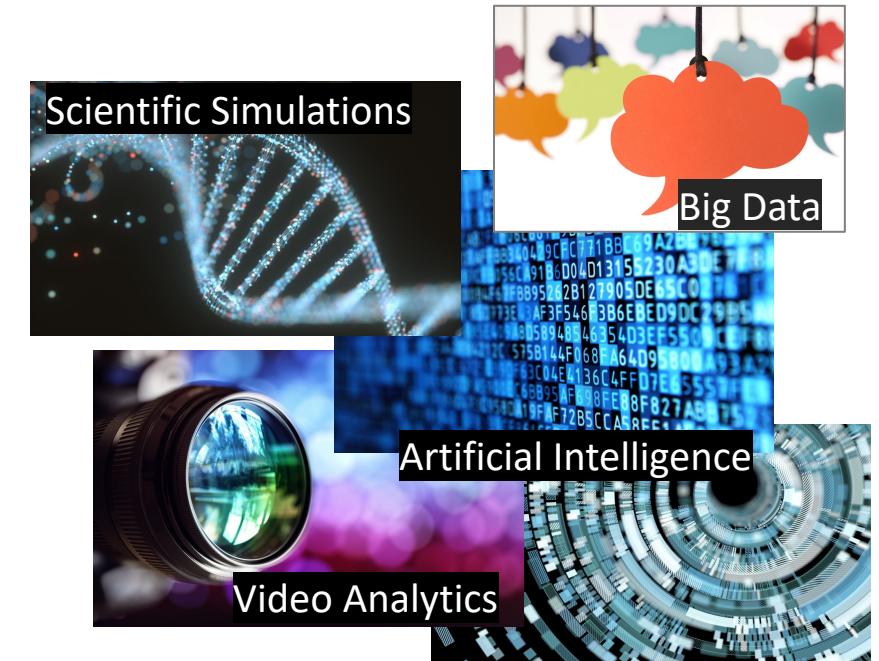
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“More than **65 ZB** of data will be created, captured, copied, and consumed in the world this year.”

Source: International Data Corporation, March 2021.

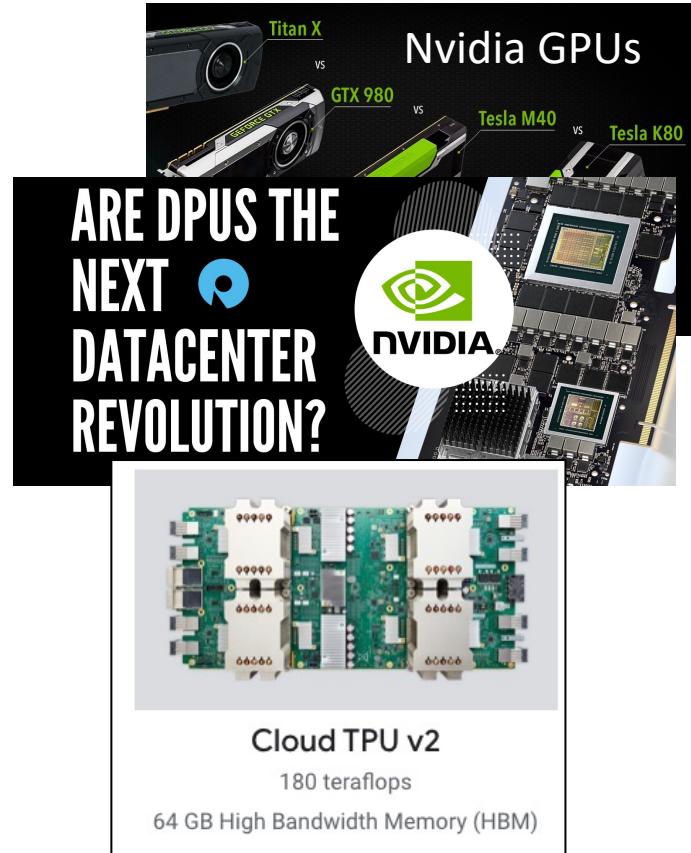
Exploded  
Data Sizes



Need for speed and massive storage capacities!

# The Era of Heterogeneous Hardware

## Compute Acceleration



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## Data Storage Acceleration



## Network Acceleration

### Mellanox Innova™-2 Flex Open Programmable SmartNIC



## Interconnection Standards



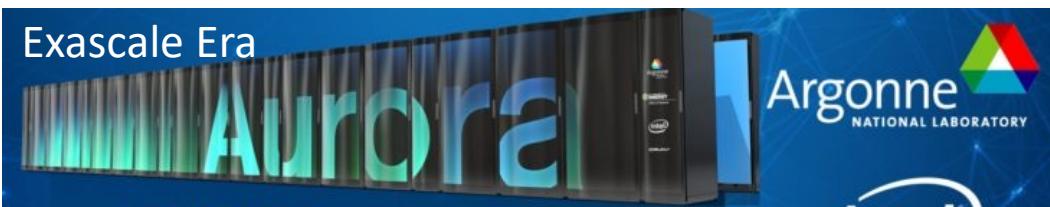
## Gen-Z Consortium

- Industry Leaders developing a memory-semantic interconnect



# Heterogeneity Across Computing Platforms

## Supercomputers



**HPC** wire

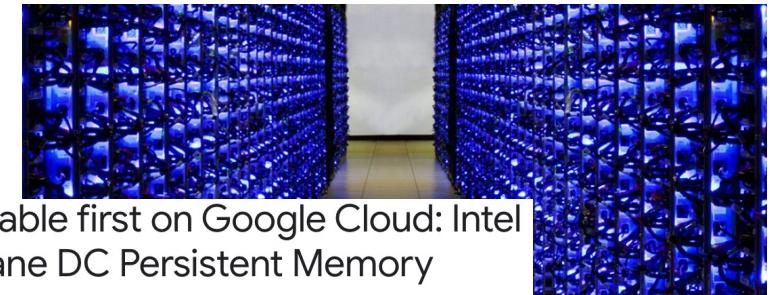
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Application Performance	200 PF
Number of Nodes	4,608
Node performance	42 TF
Memory per Node	512 GB DDR4 + 96 GB HBM2
NV memory per Node	1600 GB
Total System Memory	>10 PB DDR4 + HBM2 + Non-volatile
Processors	2 IBM POWER9™ 9,216 CPUs 6 NVIDIA Volta™ 27,648 GPUs
File System	250 PB, 2.5 TB/s, GPFS™
Power Consumption	13 MW
Interconnect	Mellanox EDR 100G InfiniBand
Operating System	Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) version 7.4

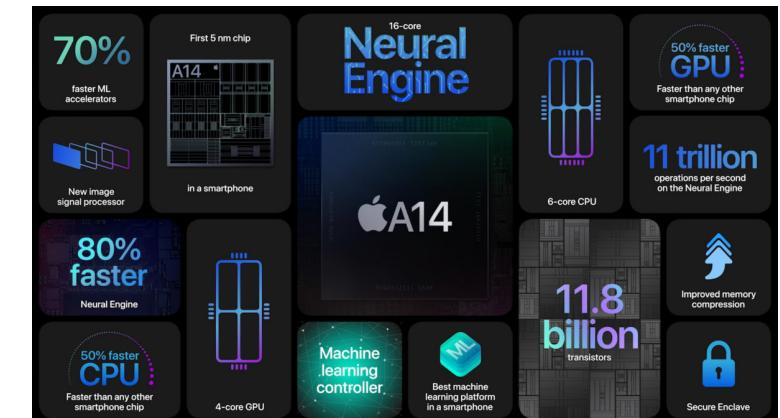
## Datacenters



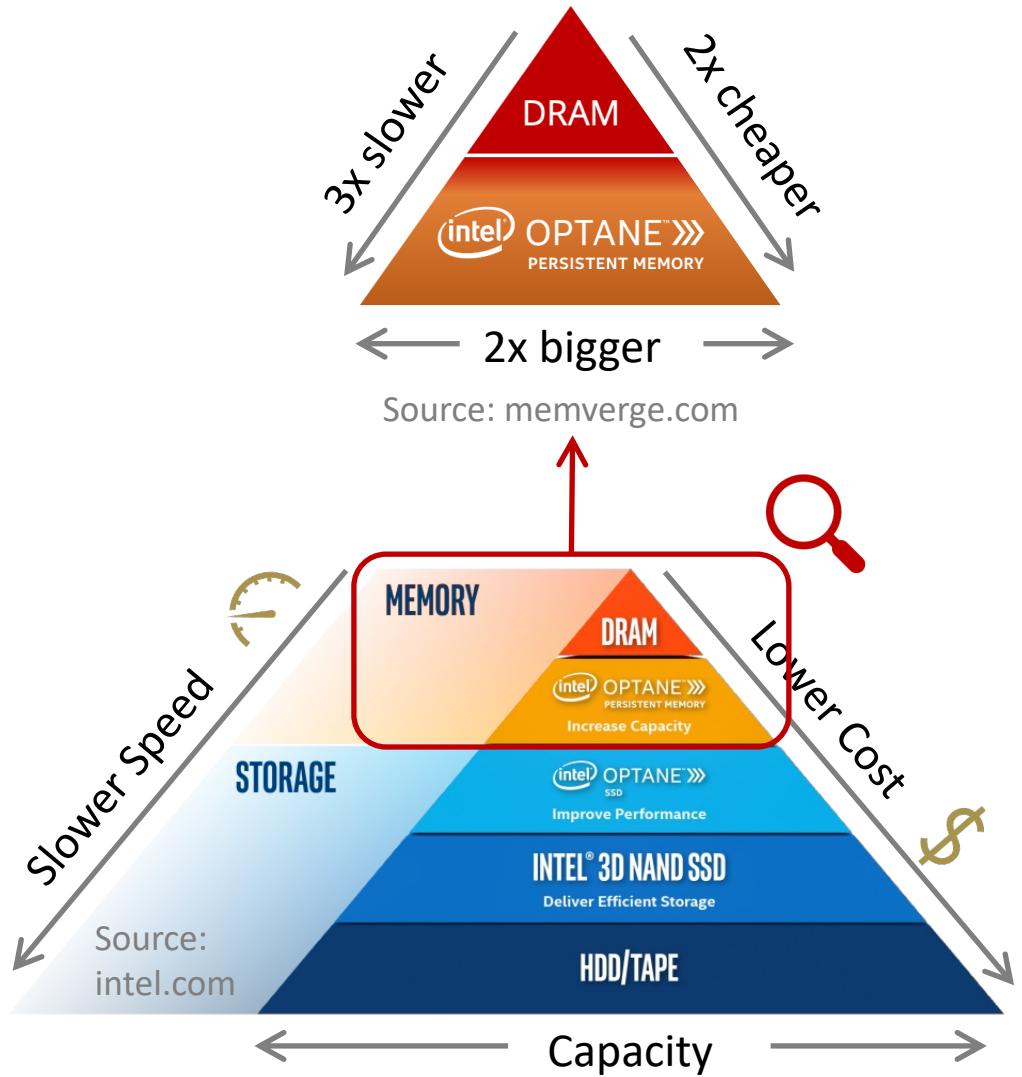
Available first on Google Cloud: Intel Optane DC Persistent Memory

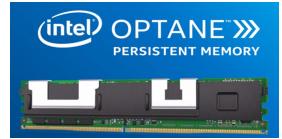


## Personal Devices



# Heterogeneity Trade-offs



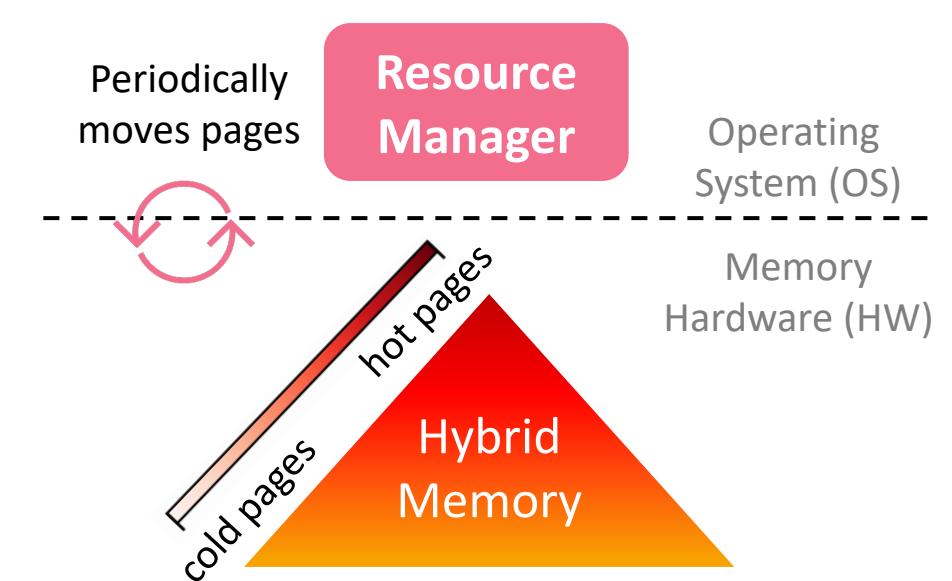
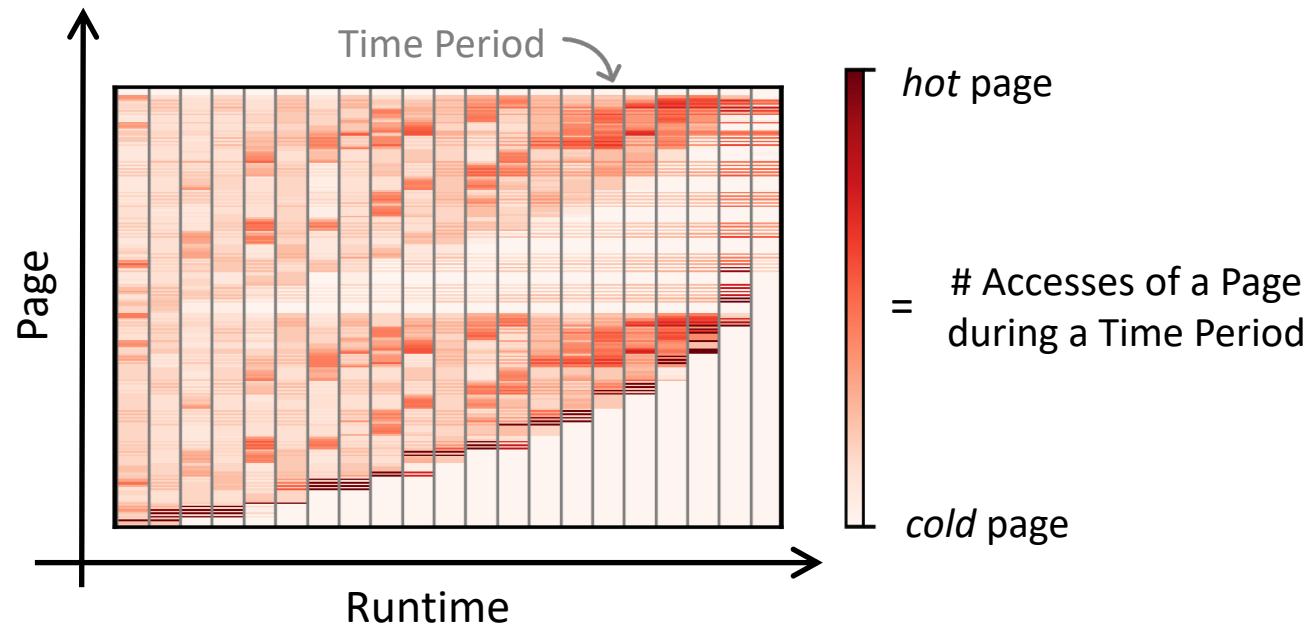
Characteristic	Technology	Vendors
Low Latency	MRAM	 EVERSPIN TECHNOLOGIES The MRAM Company™ Everspin Announces 1Gb ST-MRAM
Uniform Latency	DRAM	
High Bandwidth	HBM	
Persistent / Non Volatile	PMEM / NVM	

We are in the era of **Hybrid Memory** Systems.  
A mix of different technologies at different speeds / capacities / costs.

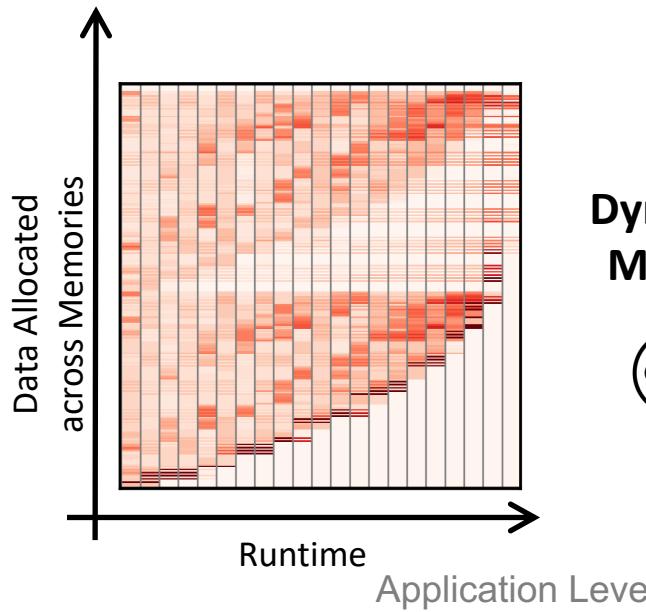
# Hybrid Memory Management



The OS should move pages dynamically across hybrid memory to maximize the efficiency.



# Need for Smarter Hybrid Memory Management

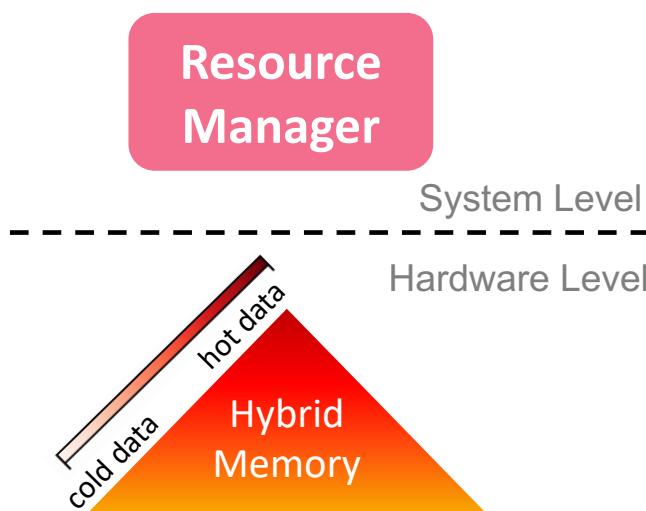


**Dynamic Data Movements!**

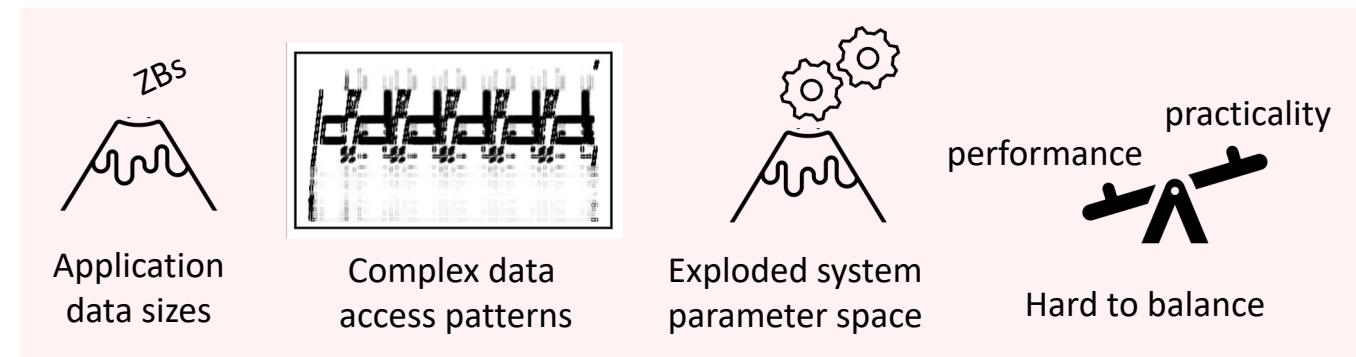


It is a **complex decision mix** to manage the data allocated across memories.

E.g., Which / How much / Where / When to move data?



Why do we need smarter and faster systems?



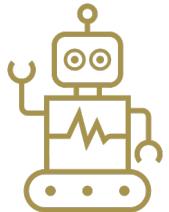
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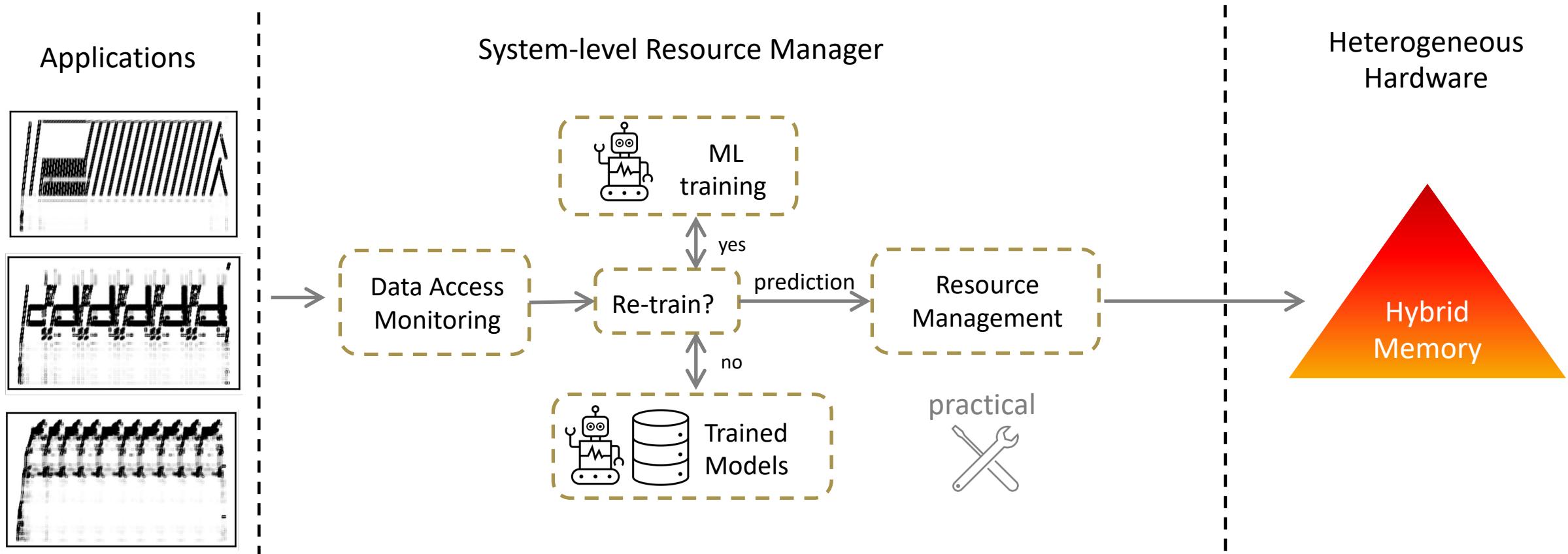
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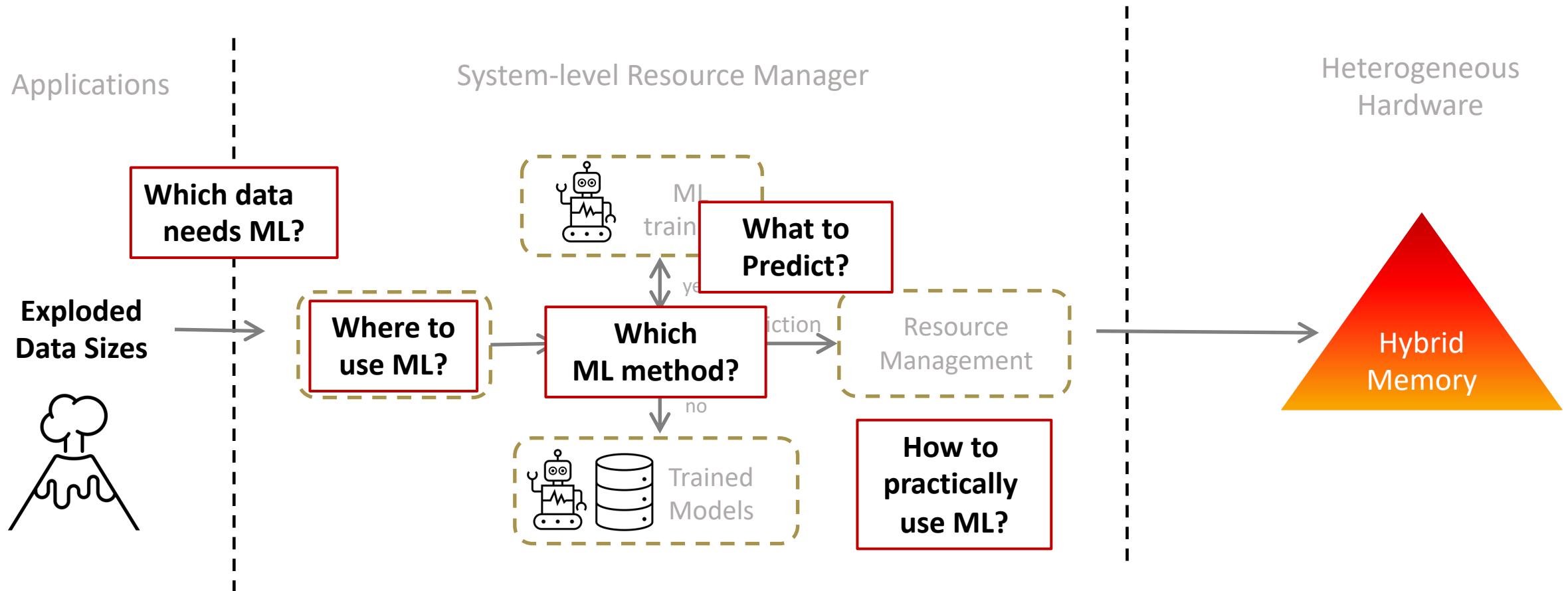
# The Vision

ML-augmented heterogeneous resource manager.



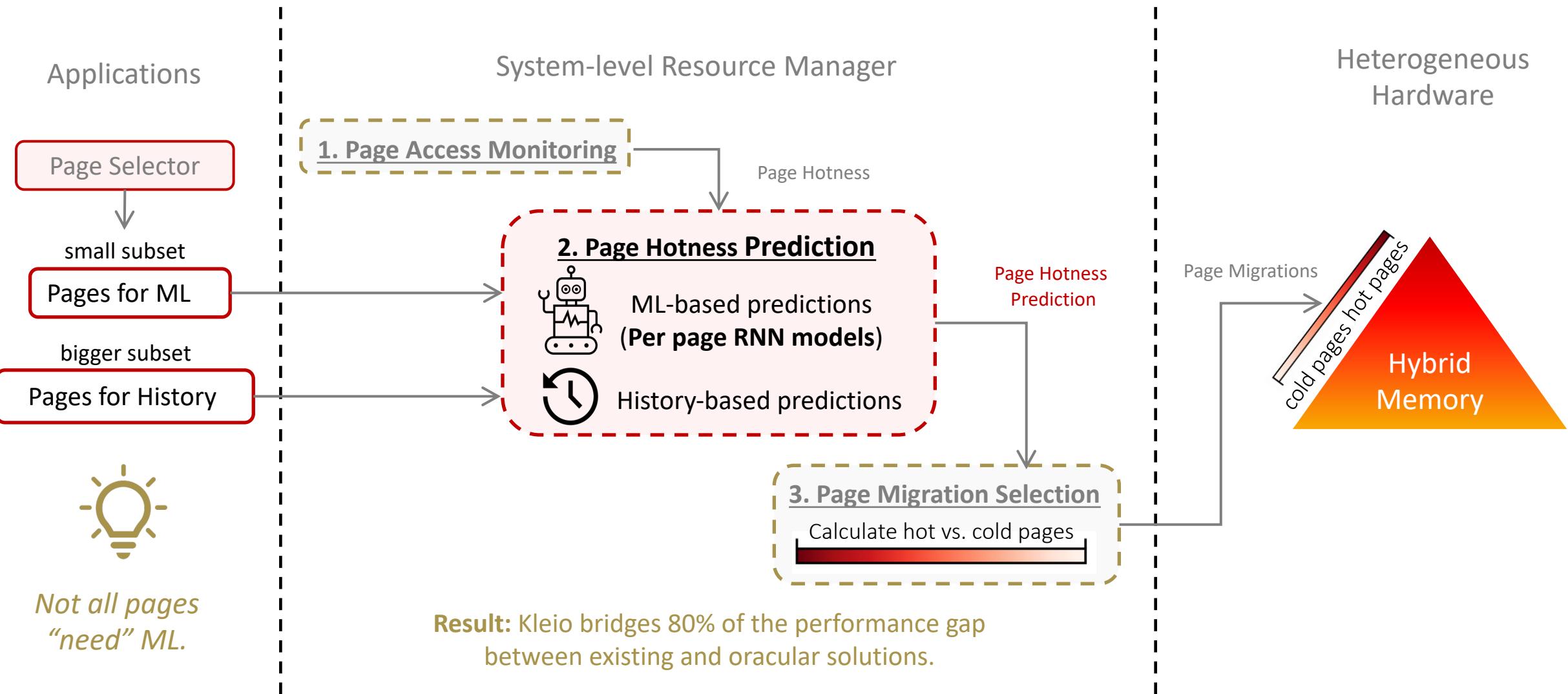
# Contributions Towards the Vision

## Laying the grounds for the *practical* integration of ML.



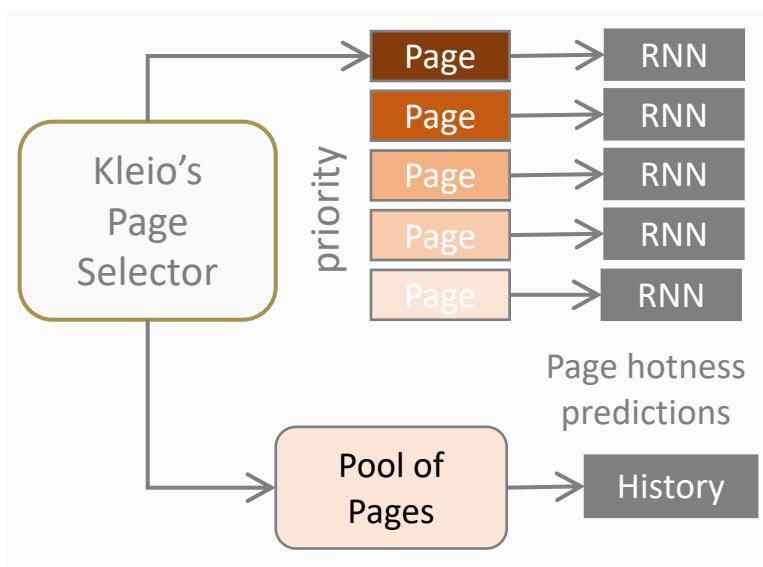
# System design of Kleio

Kleio: a hybrid memory page scheduler with machine intelligence. [HPDC 2019]



# The Key(s) to a Practical and Efficient ML-based System Design

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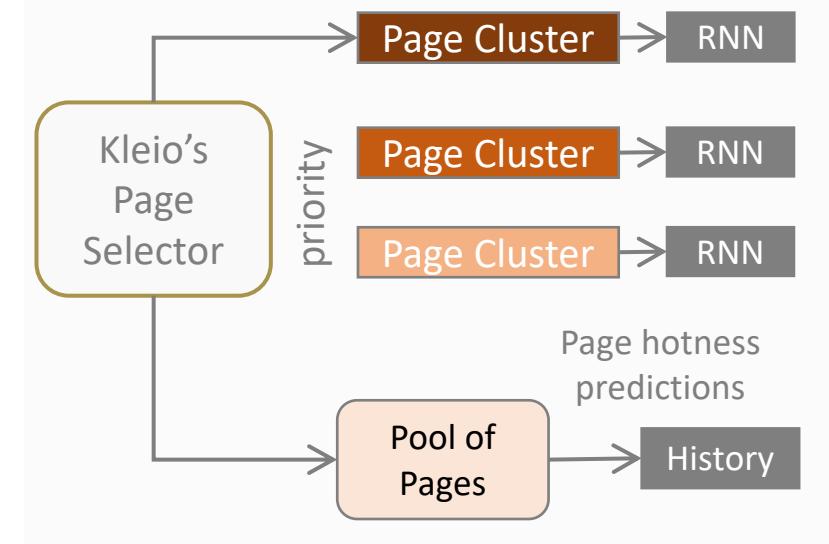


Apply ML on a small page subset.

↳ Foundations for practical use of ML.

Carefully select pages for ML.

↳ Application performance boost.

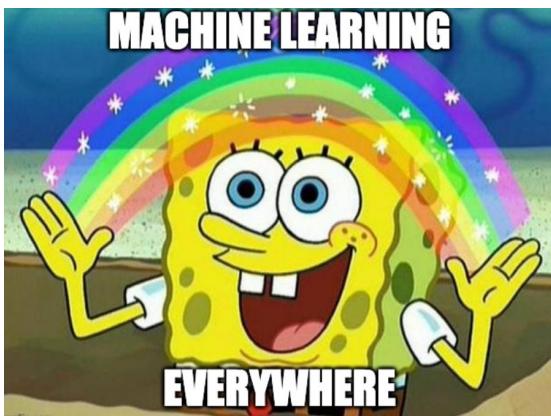


Small can still mean thousands of pages, because of the massive memory footprints of modern workloads.

Can we reduce the number of pages via clustering?

# Insights from the System Design of Coeus

Coeus: Clustering (A)like Patterns for Practical Machine Intelligent Hybrid Memory Management . [CCGrid 2022]



**Clustering?** Let's use ML!

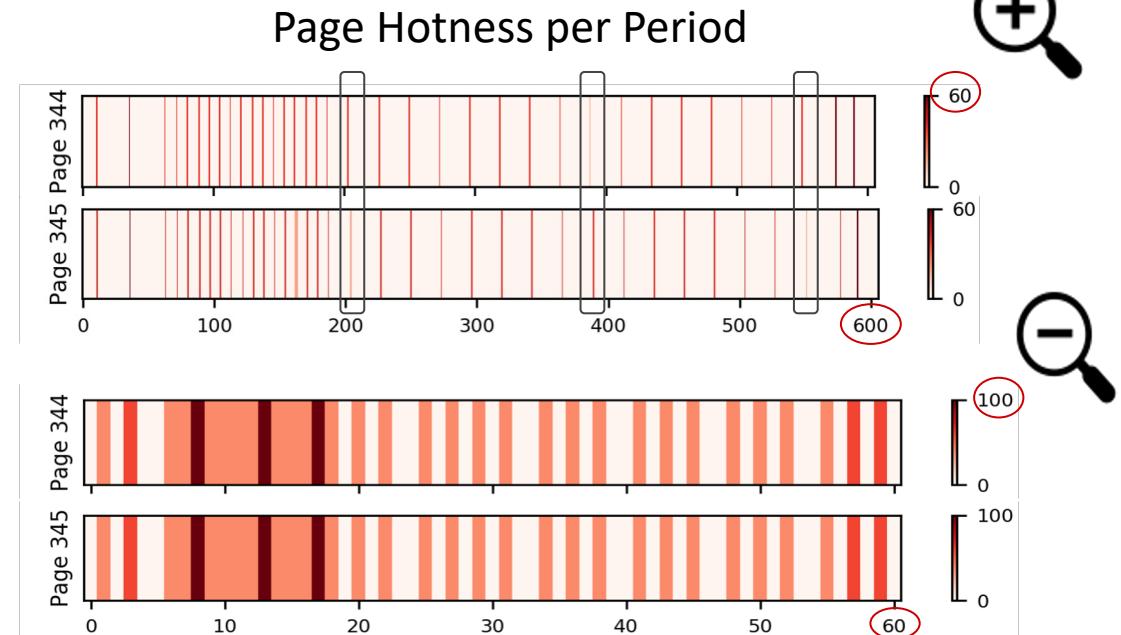
For example, K-means.

- How many clusters?
- Clustered input to ML?

Not trivial to configure.

Let's use our human intelligence..

.. Kleio learns the patterns of page hotness across time periods.



So what if I increase the duration of the period?



Key Idea

Group pages with *identical* patterns under a *single* ML model.

↓ 3x less RNNs

↑ 3x more performance

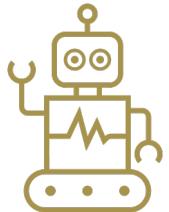
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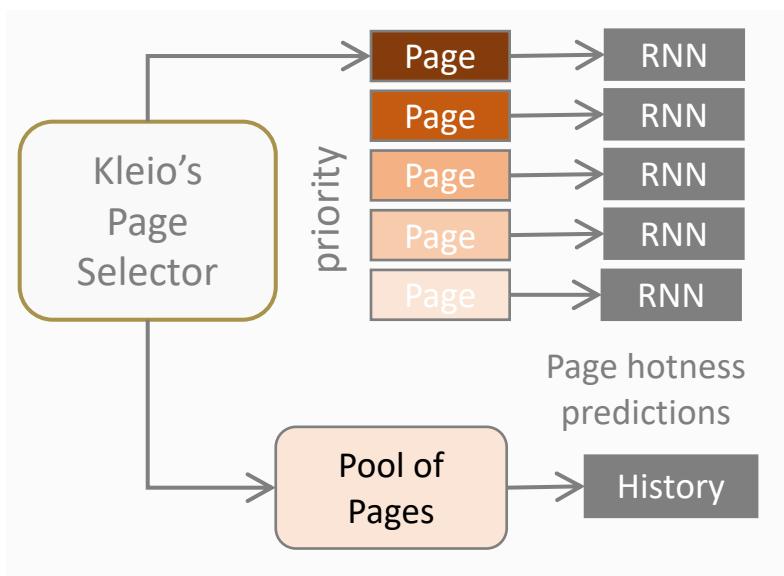
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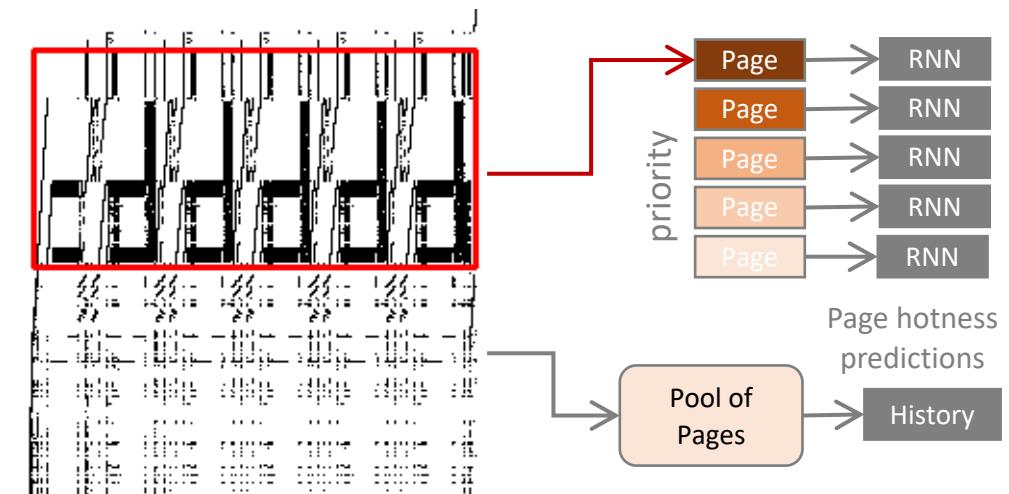


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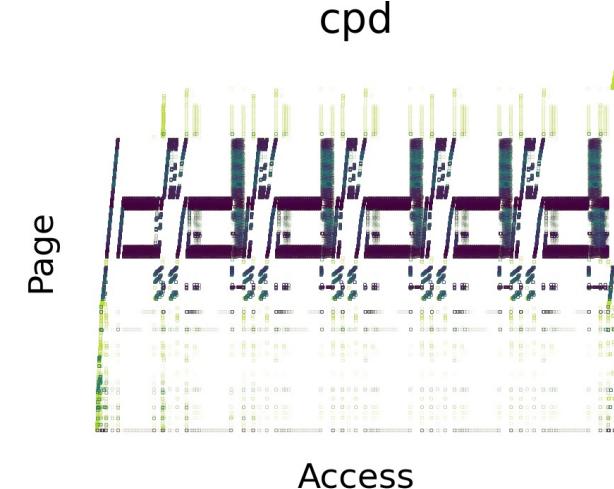
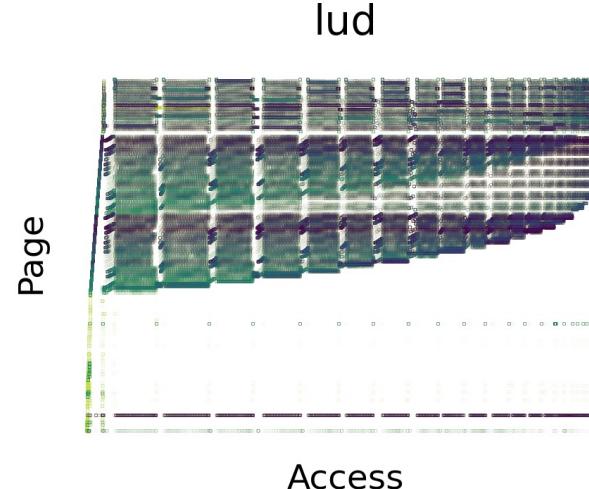
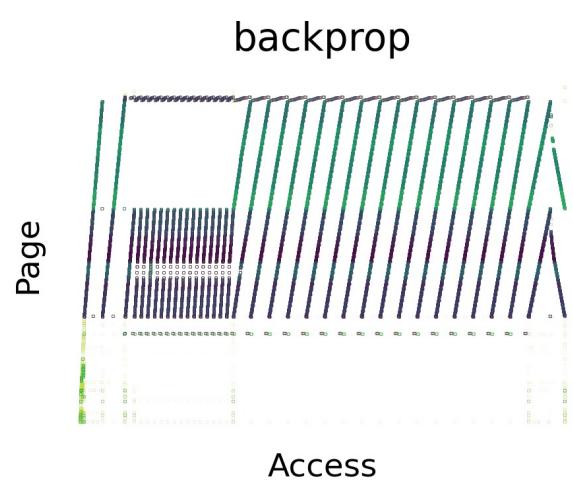
Performance modeling and estimations are used to maximize the effects of ML on application performance.

**Can we accelerate the page selection process?**

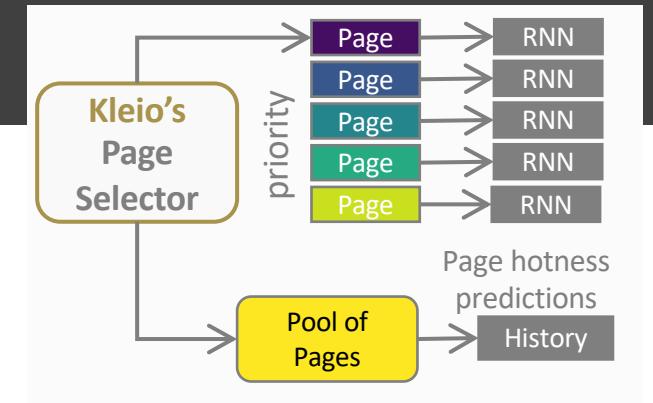
# Insight from Visualizing Pages Selected for ML

High Priority

Low Priority

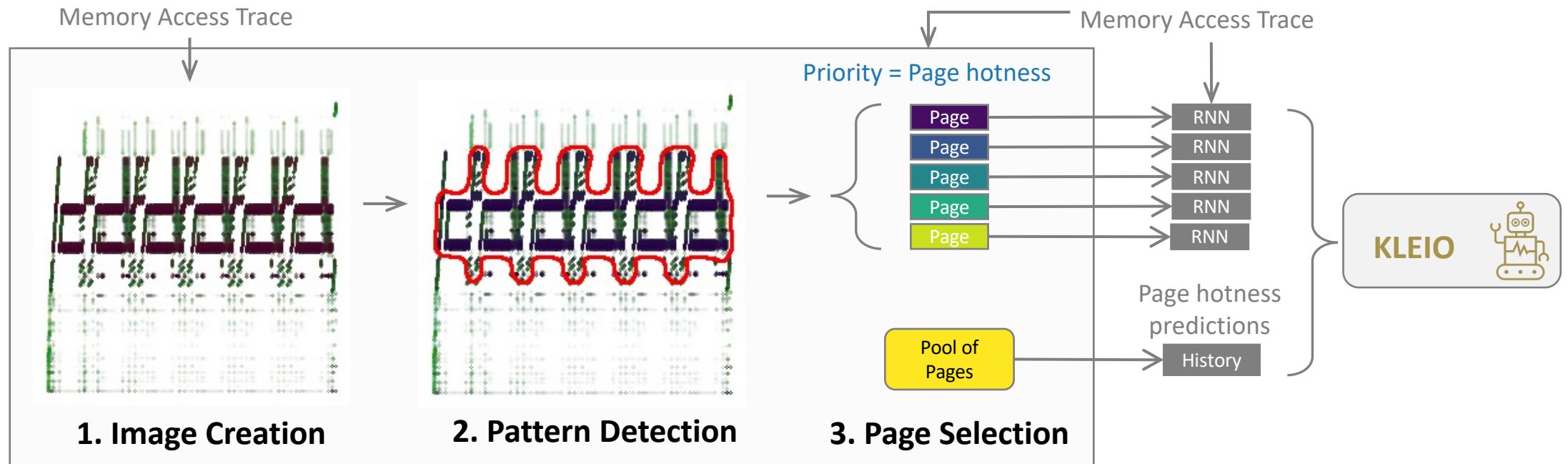


*Neighboring pages that are part of distinct access patterns across time receive similar priority for ML.*



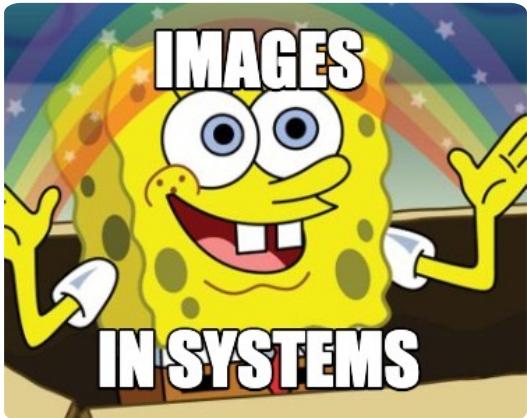
# Towards Image-based Page Selection

Cronus: Computer Vision-based Machine Intelligent Hybrid Memory Management. [MEMSYS 2022]



Cronus reduces by **400x** the page selection times, from minutes down to seconds.

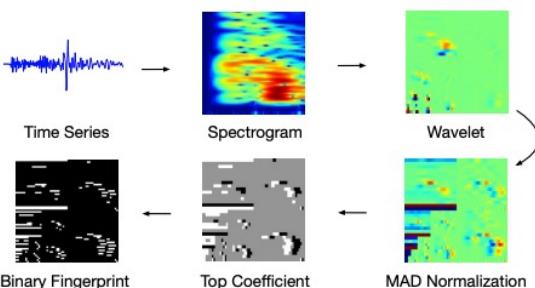
# Why Use Images Inside Operating Systems?



## Creating images helps:

- Another way to represent data, reducing their dimensionality to a 2D / 3D space.
- Captures spatial and temporal correlations.
- Leverage computer vision and image-based algorithms.

### Feature Extraction



**Figure 3:** The fingerprinting algorithm encodes time-frequency features of the original time series into binary vectors.

Source: Kexin Rong et al. at VLDB '18.

**Earthquake Detection:**  
Extract Frequencies of Seismic Waves.

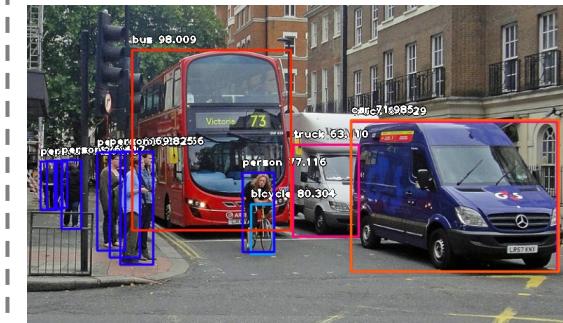
### Image-based ML Classifiers



Figure 1: Typical workstation of a professional trader.  
Credit: Photoagriculture / Shutterstock.com.

Source:  
J.P. Morgan AI labs.

**Stock Market Forecasting:**  
Trading by learning time series data as images.

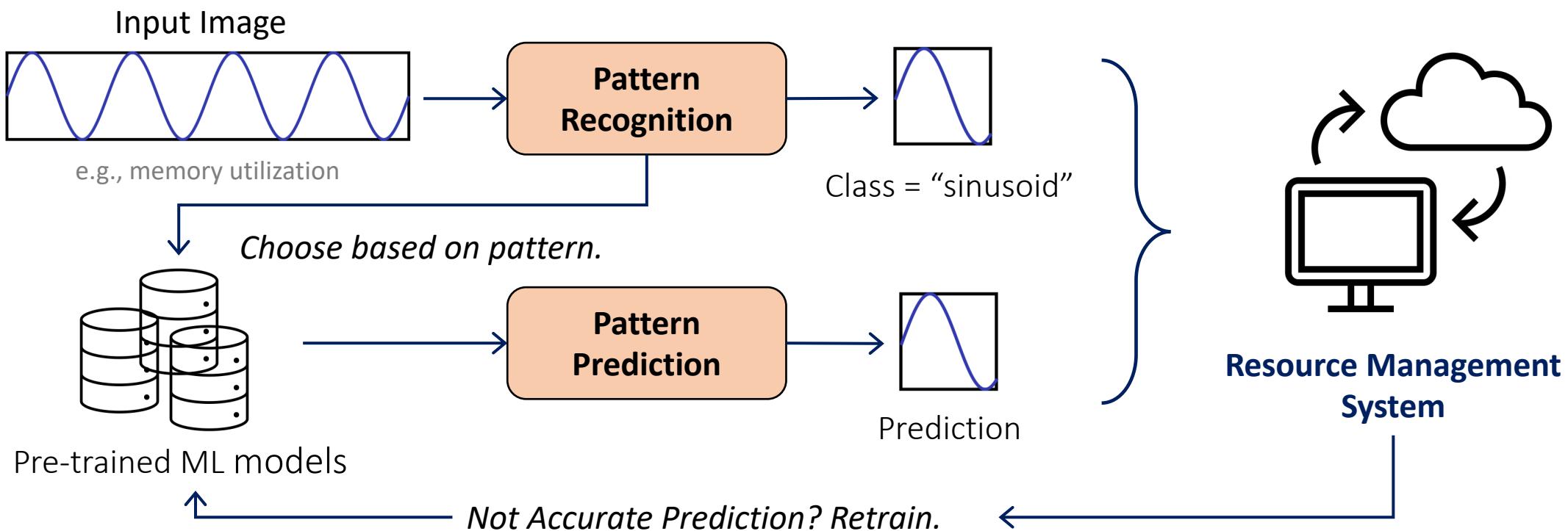


**Autonomous Driving:**  
Object Detection & Recognition

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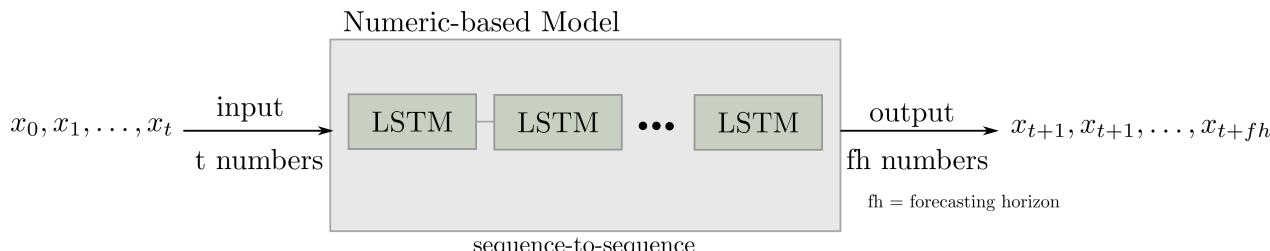
What can an image-based system pipeline look like?

E.g., predicting future resource utilization.



# Image-based vs. Number-based Machine Learning

Research paper under submission.



Number-based LSTM model

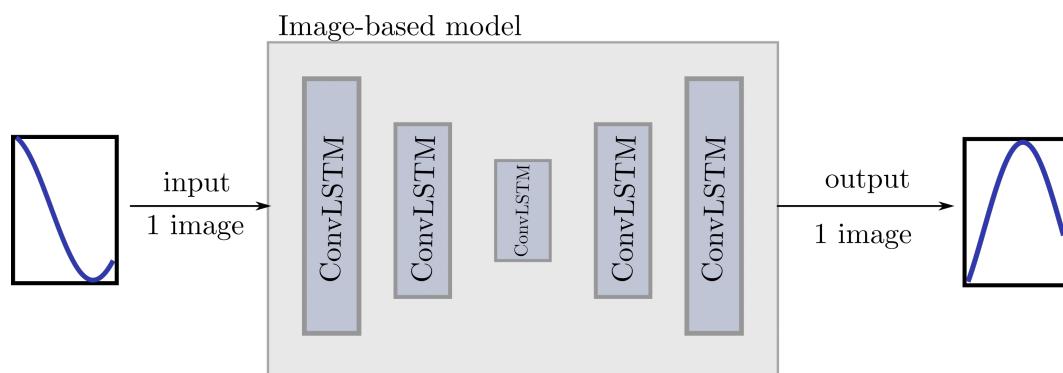
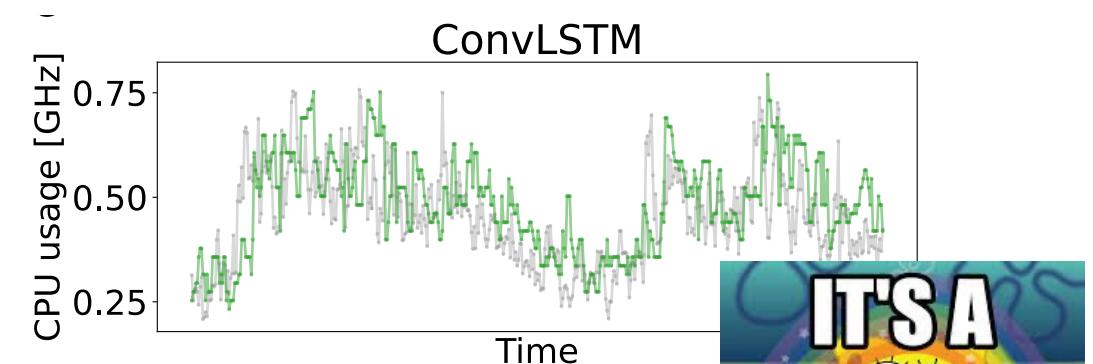
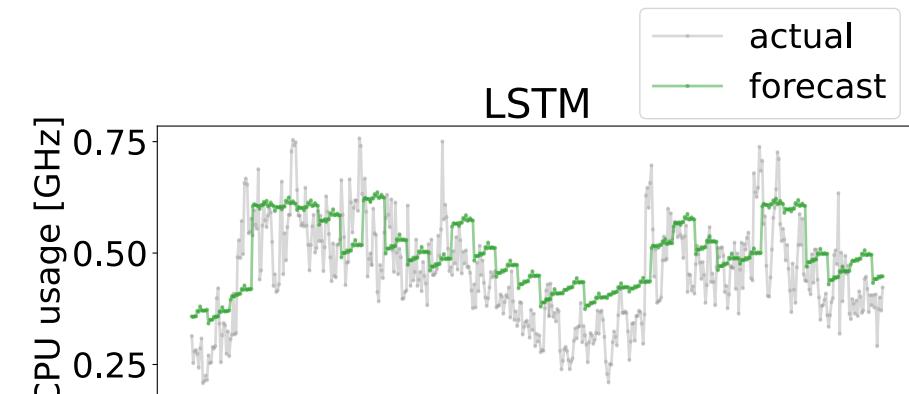


Image-based ConvLSTM model

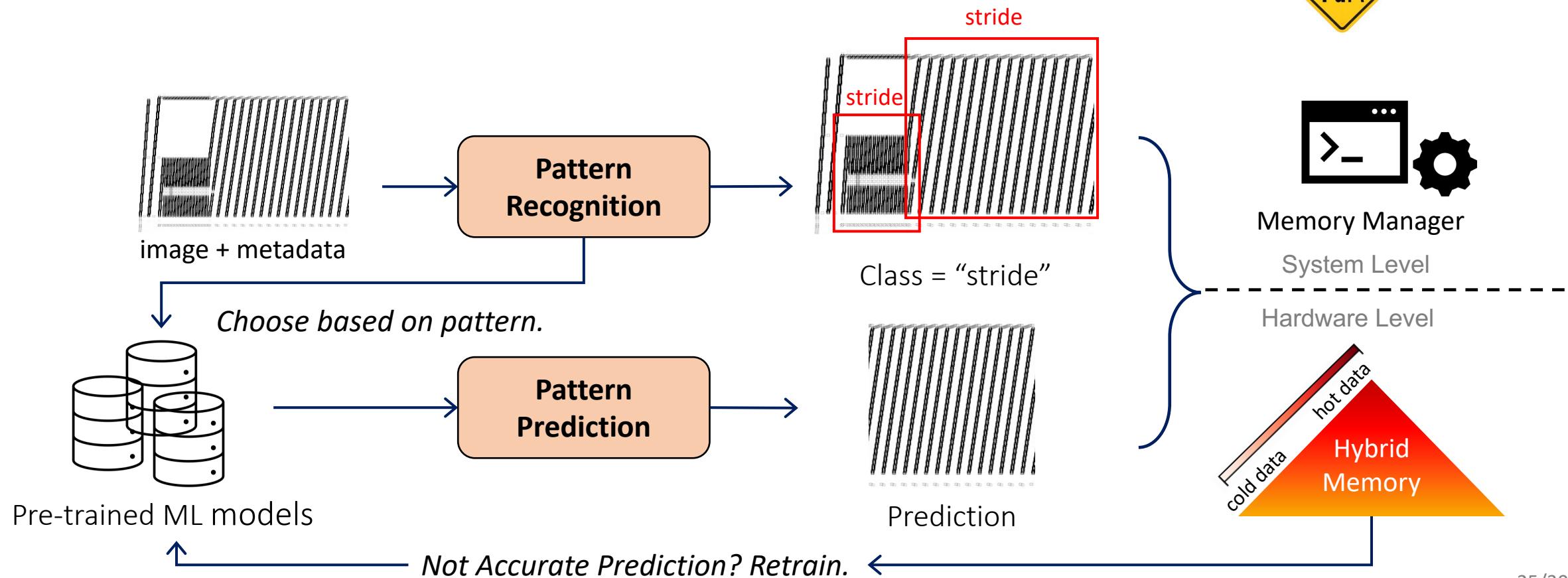


The image-based ConvLSTM makes more accurate predictions.

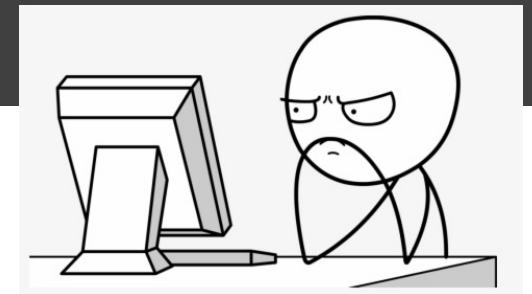
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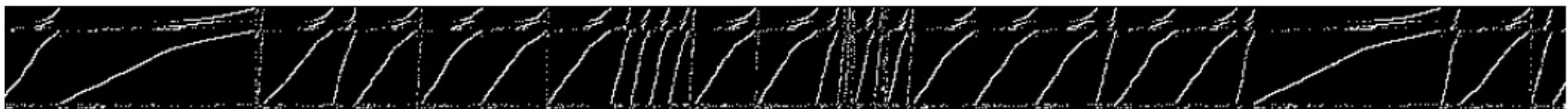
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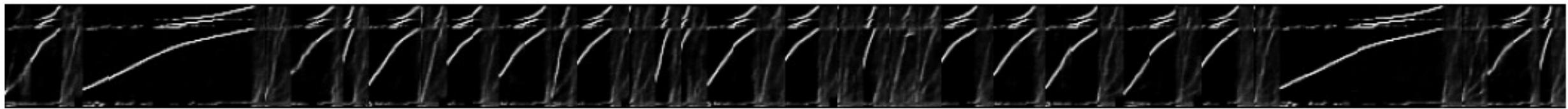
# Early Results on Image-based Pattern Prediction



Ground Truth



Prediction



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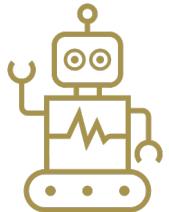
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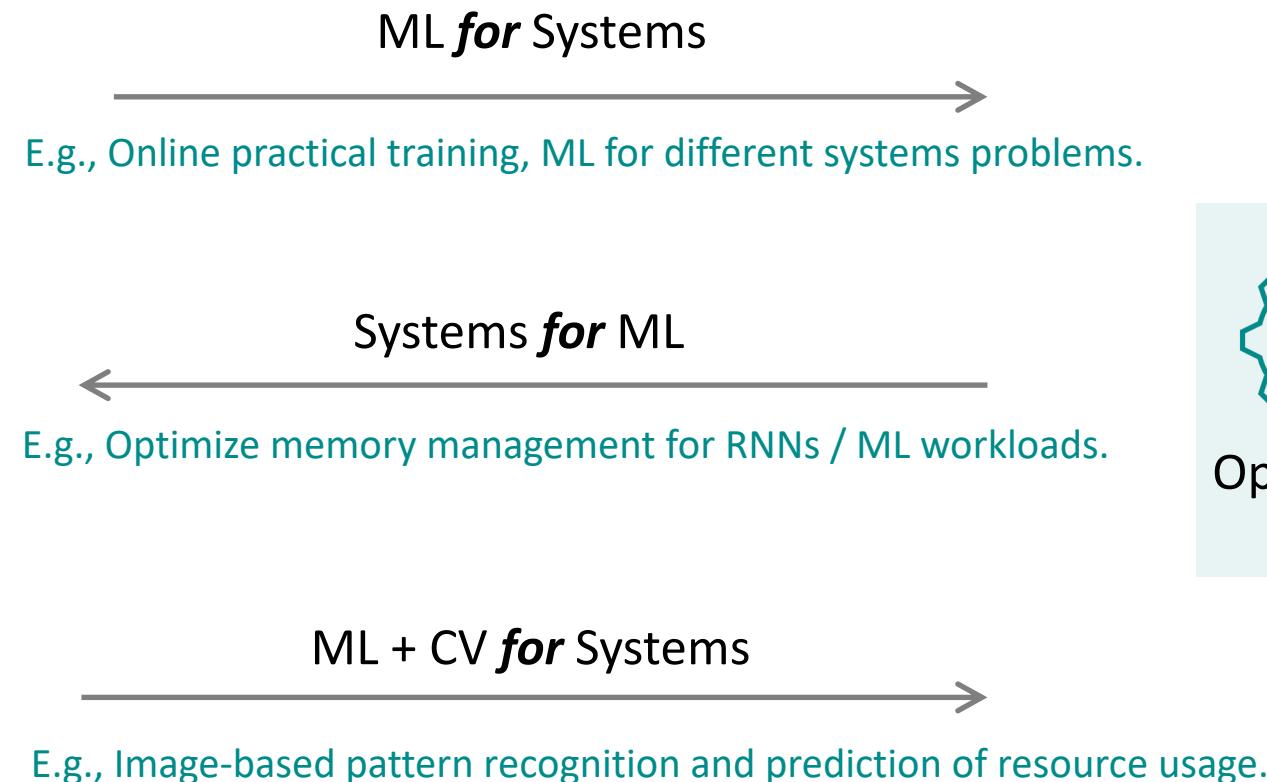
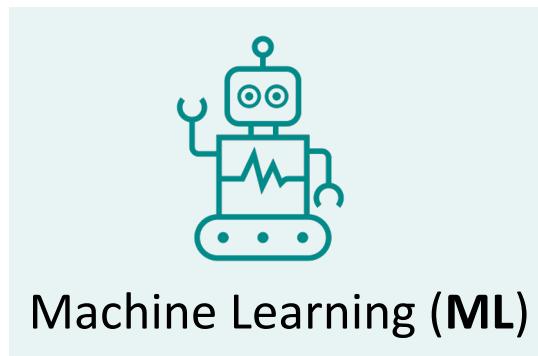
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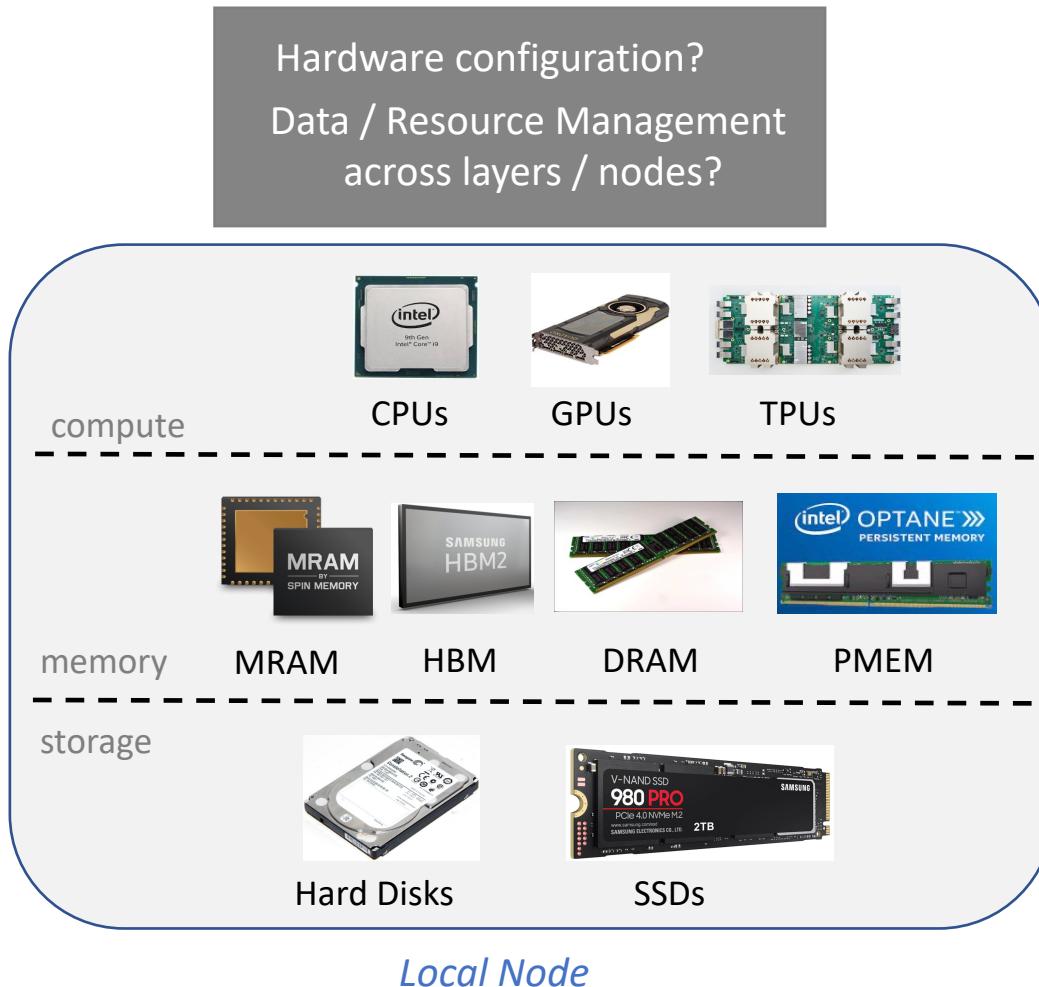
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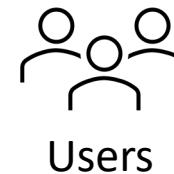
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# Intelligent Management of Extreme Heterogeneity



System vs. HW / SW co-design?



Multi-tenancy?  
Isolation?

Performance?  
Cost / Energy /  
Resource Efficiency?



High-Speed Interconnects



Massive Node Clusters  
Disaggregated Resources

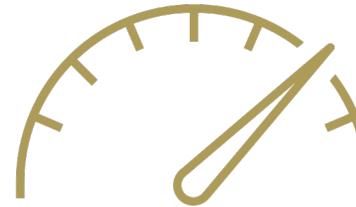
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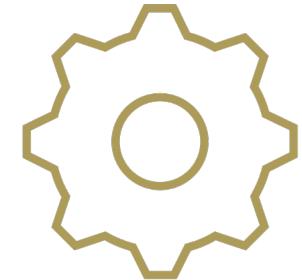
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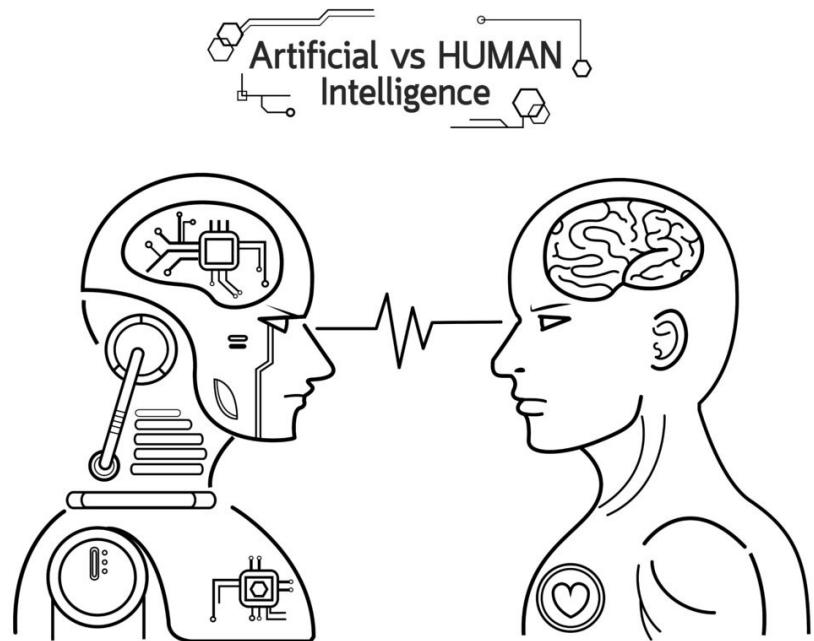
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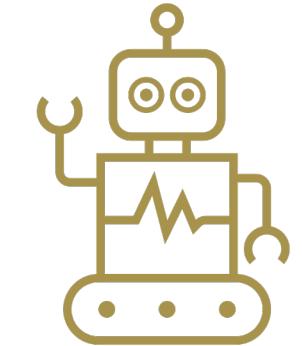
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