

Would you let HAL-320 be your captain today?

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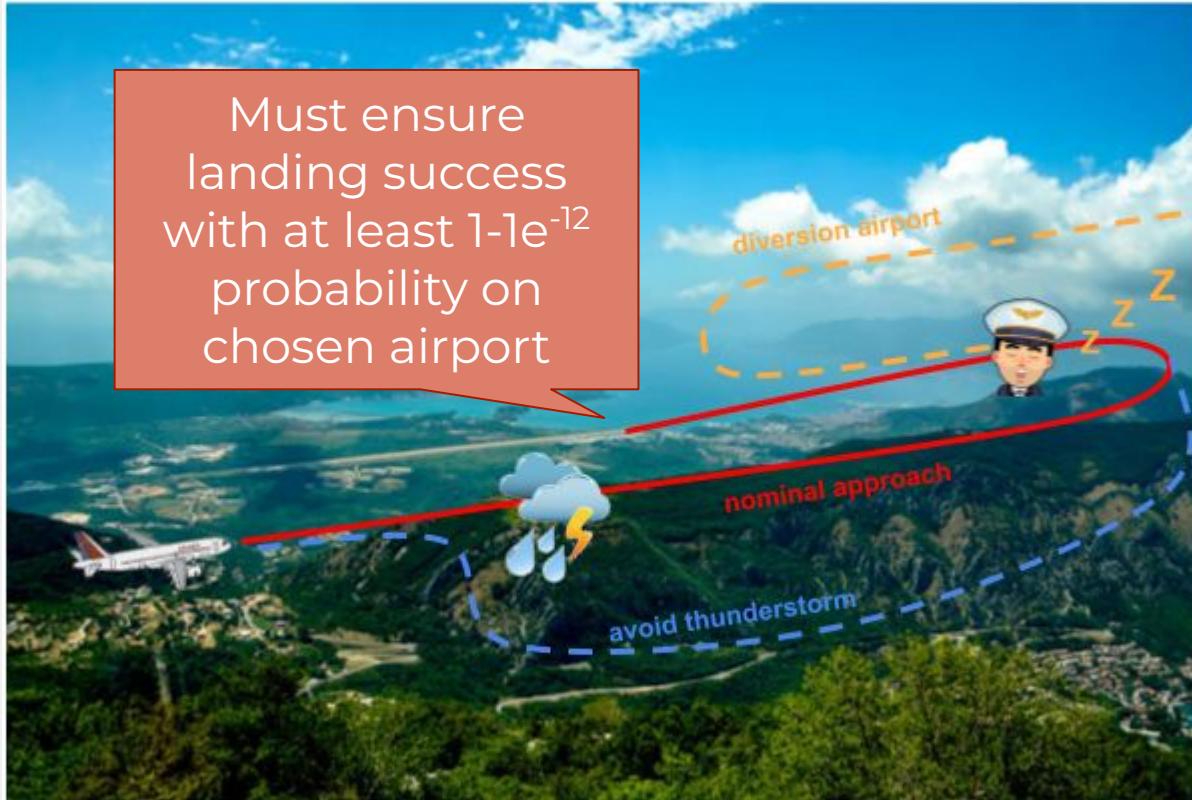
Dear passengers, welcome in 2059.

I'm HAL-320, your new captain. John fell asleep, so I'm just taking over the commands to fly you back home.

Keep calm and enjoy your flight!

Well... Keep calm, we're not still there 😅

A typical use case: airport diversion strategy



Autonomous system to take over the pilot as a last resort

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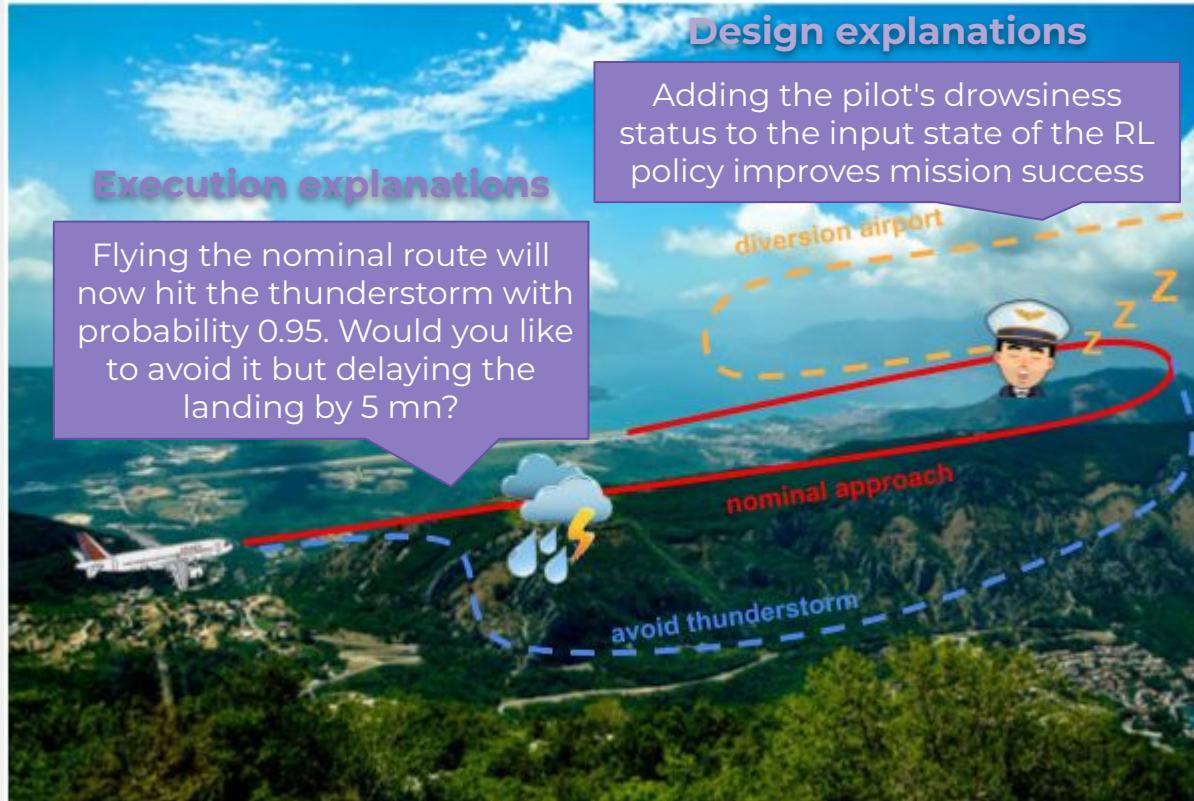


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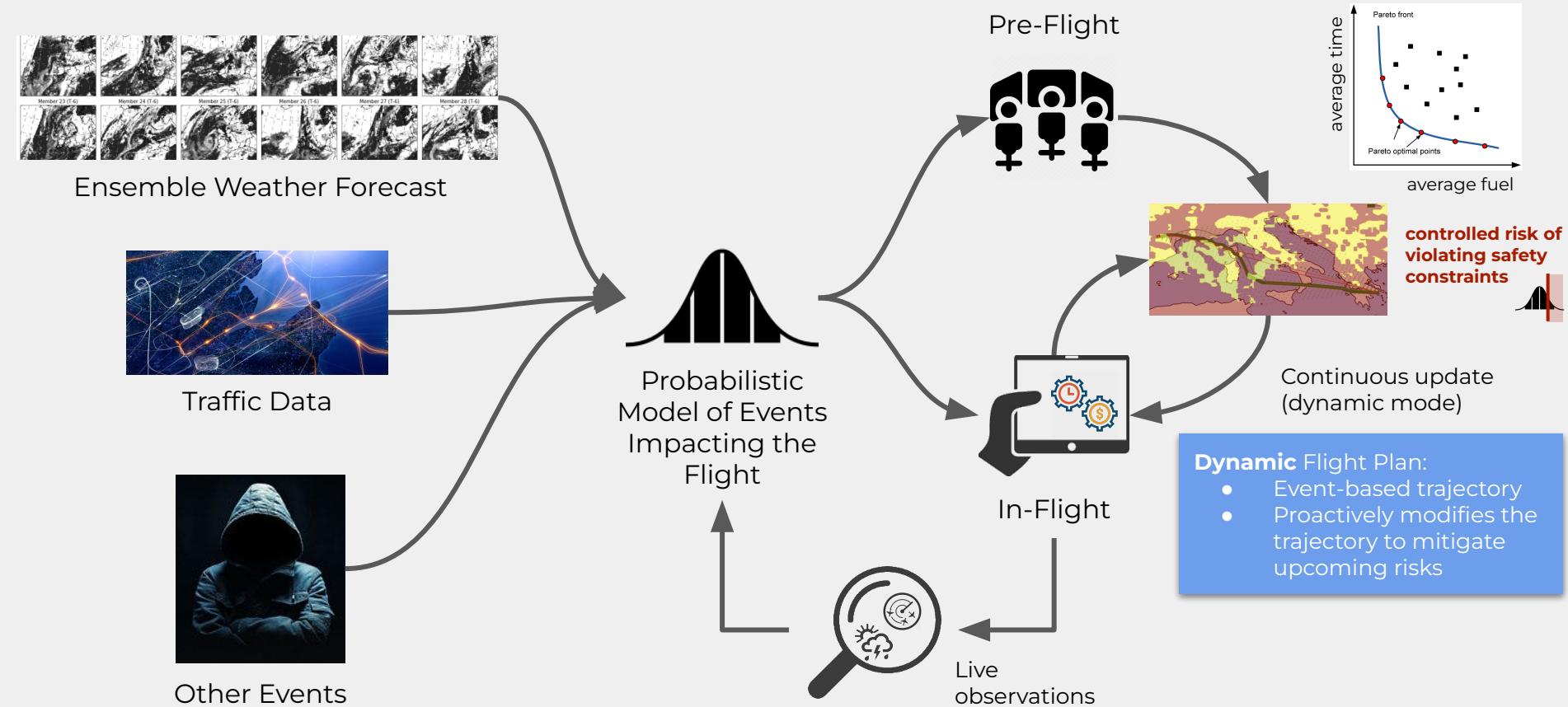


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- ❖ Explainability

Diversion management based on Probabilistic Flight Planning



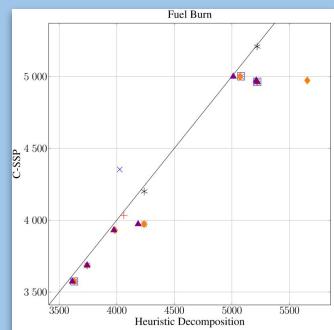
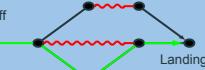
DONUT project: benchmarking of two complementary flight planning algorithms

CSSP - Constrained Stochastic Shortest Path

Optimal and Heuristic Approaches for Constrained Flight Planning under Weather Uncertainty. F. Geißer, G. Povéda, F. Trevizan, M. Bondouy, F. Teichteil-Königsbuch, S. Thiébaut. ICAPS 2020

Iterative algorithm based on **LP** and **column generation**

No use of heuristics due to simulation-based aircraft performance model

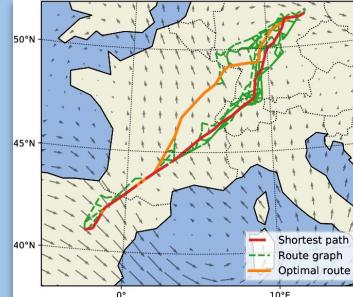
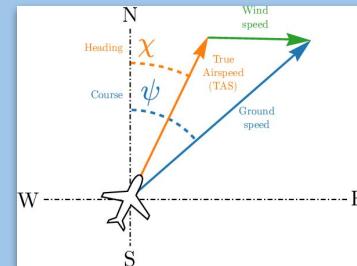


- + Satisfy constraints by construction
- + Robust by construction
- + Handle waypoint graph

- Computationally expensive
- Simplified weather and transition model
- Cannot handle continuous variables

Parallel Robust Optimal Control

Probabilistic 4D Flight Planning in Structured Airspaces through Parallelized Simulation on GPUs. D. Arribas, E. Andrés-Enderiz, M. Soler, A. Jardines, J. García-Heras. Computer Science, 2020

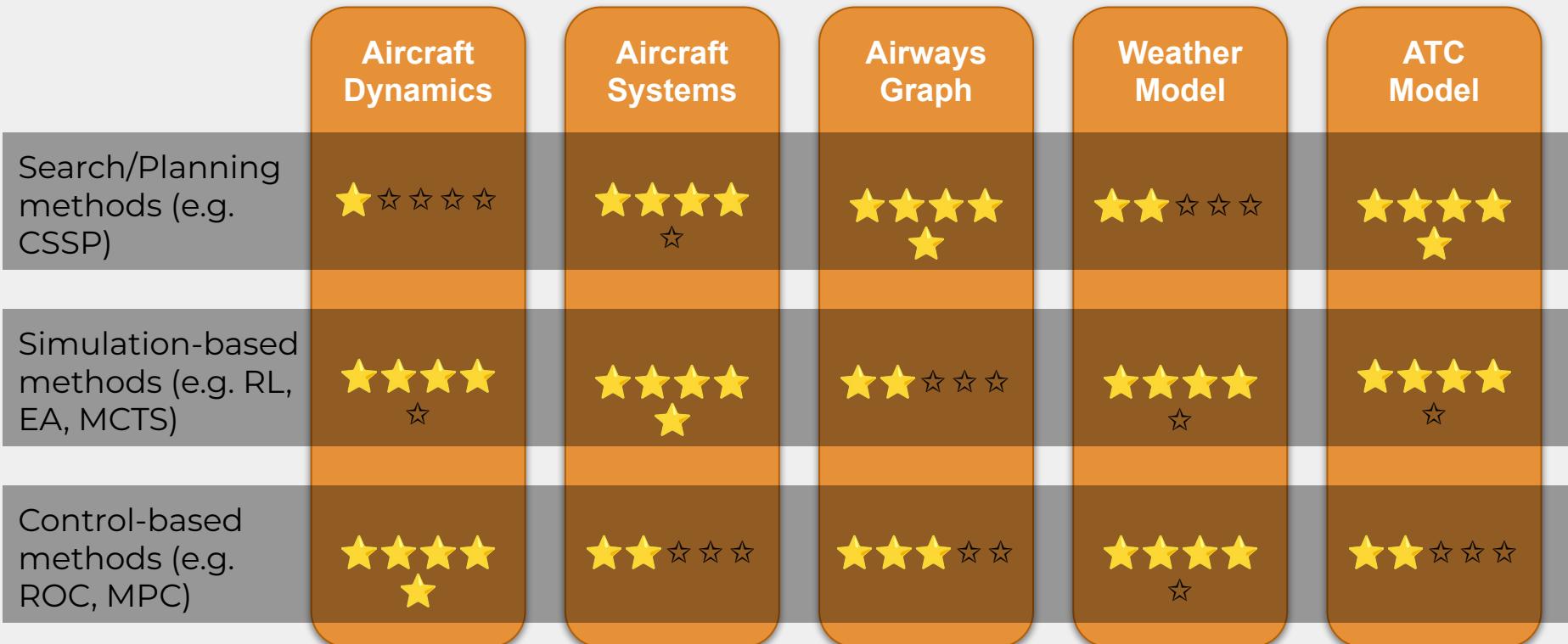


Uses **Augmented Random Search** and **Optimal Control** to produce waypoint-constrained continuous trajectories evaluated on a set of **probabilistic weather scenarios**

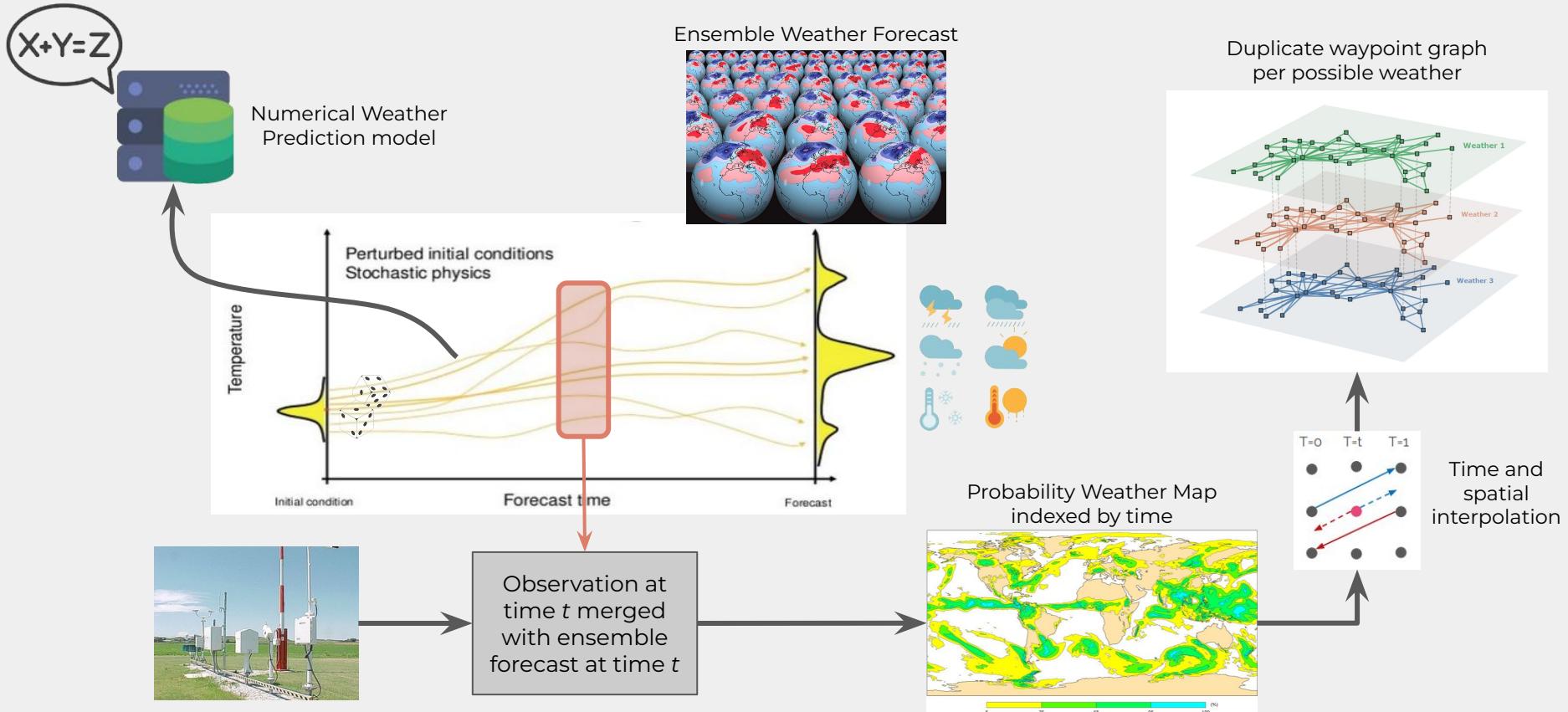
- + Use continuous aircraft performance model
- + Robust by construction

- Not optimal
- A posteriori projection on discrete waypoints

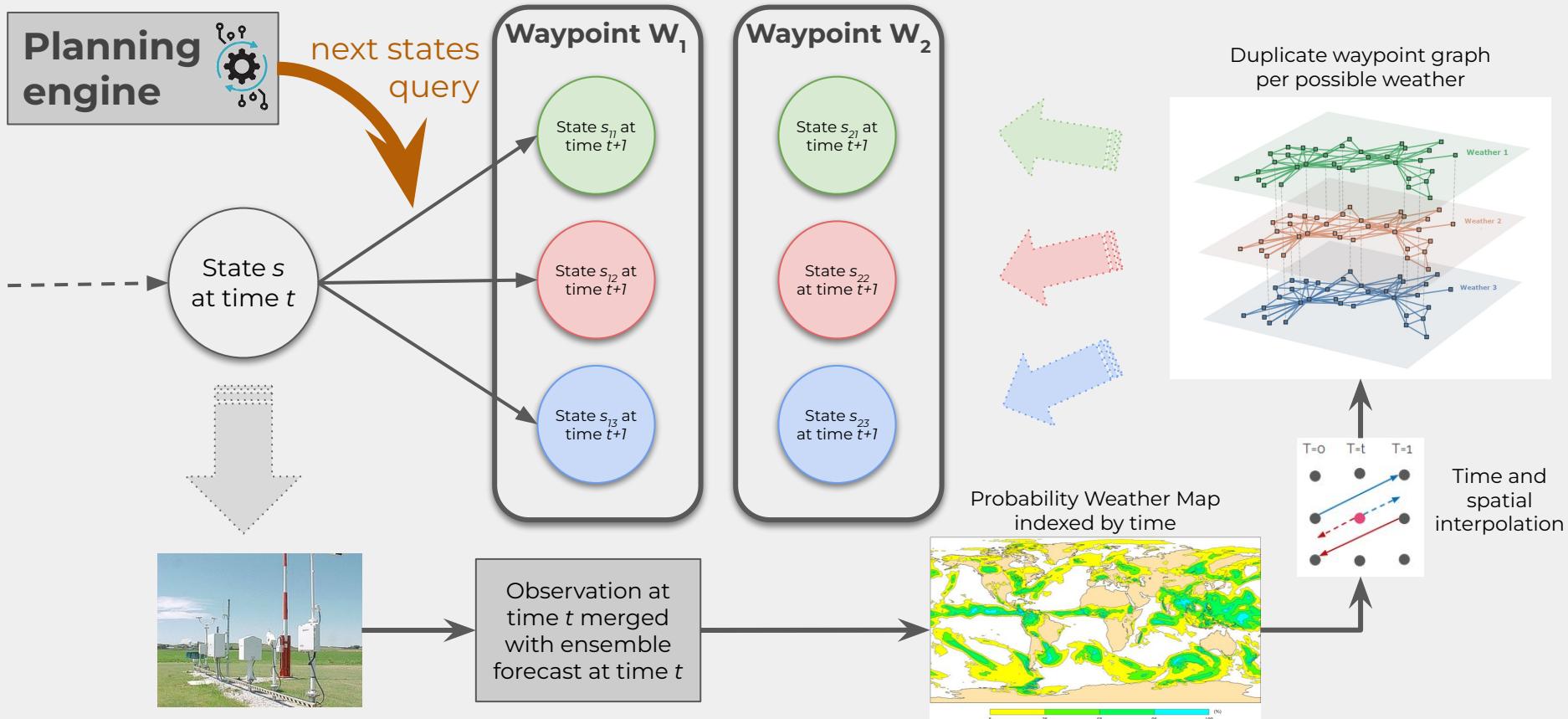
No approach ruling all the others out



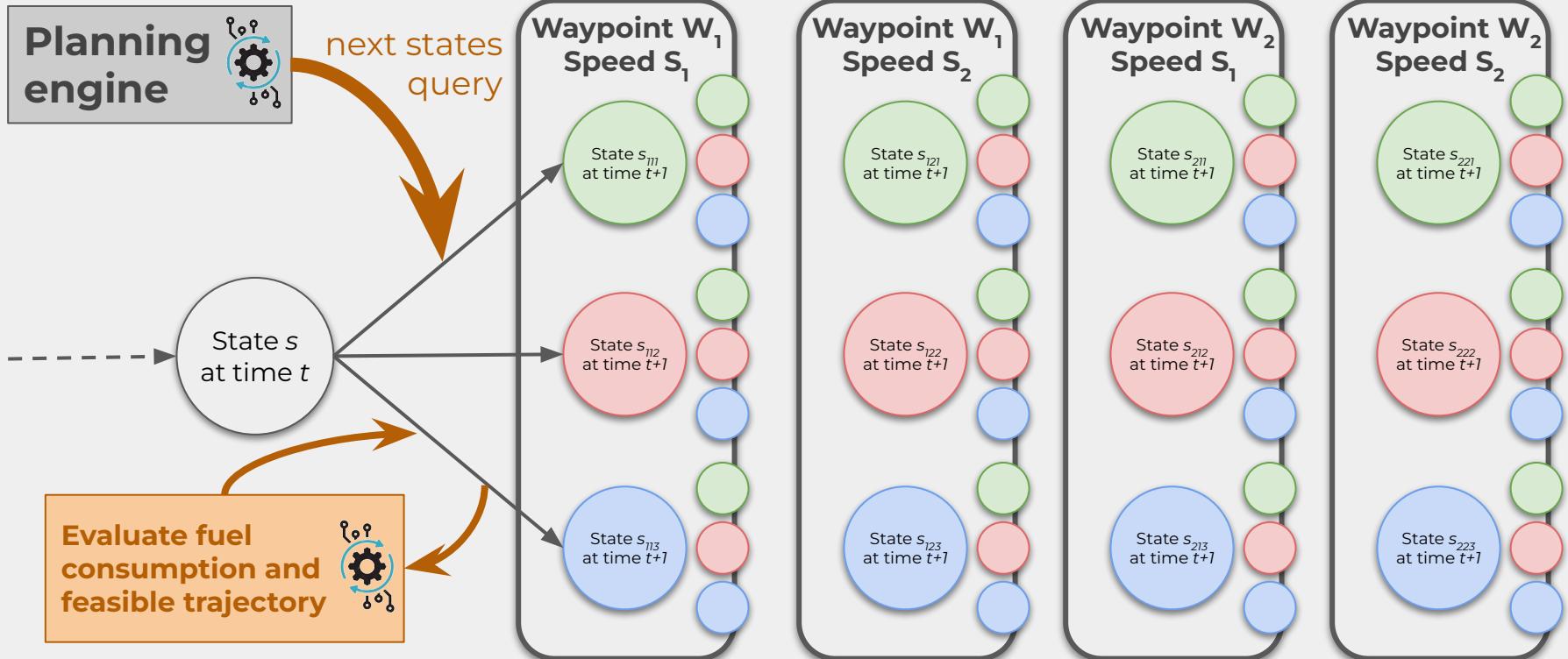
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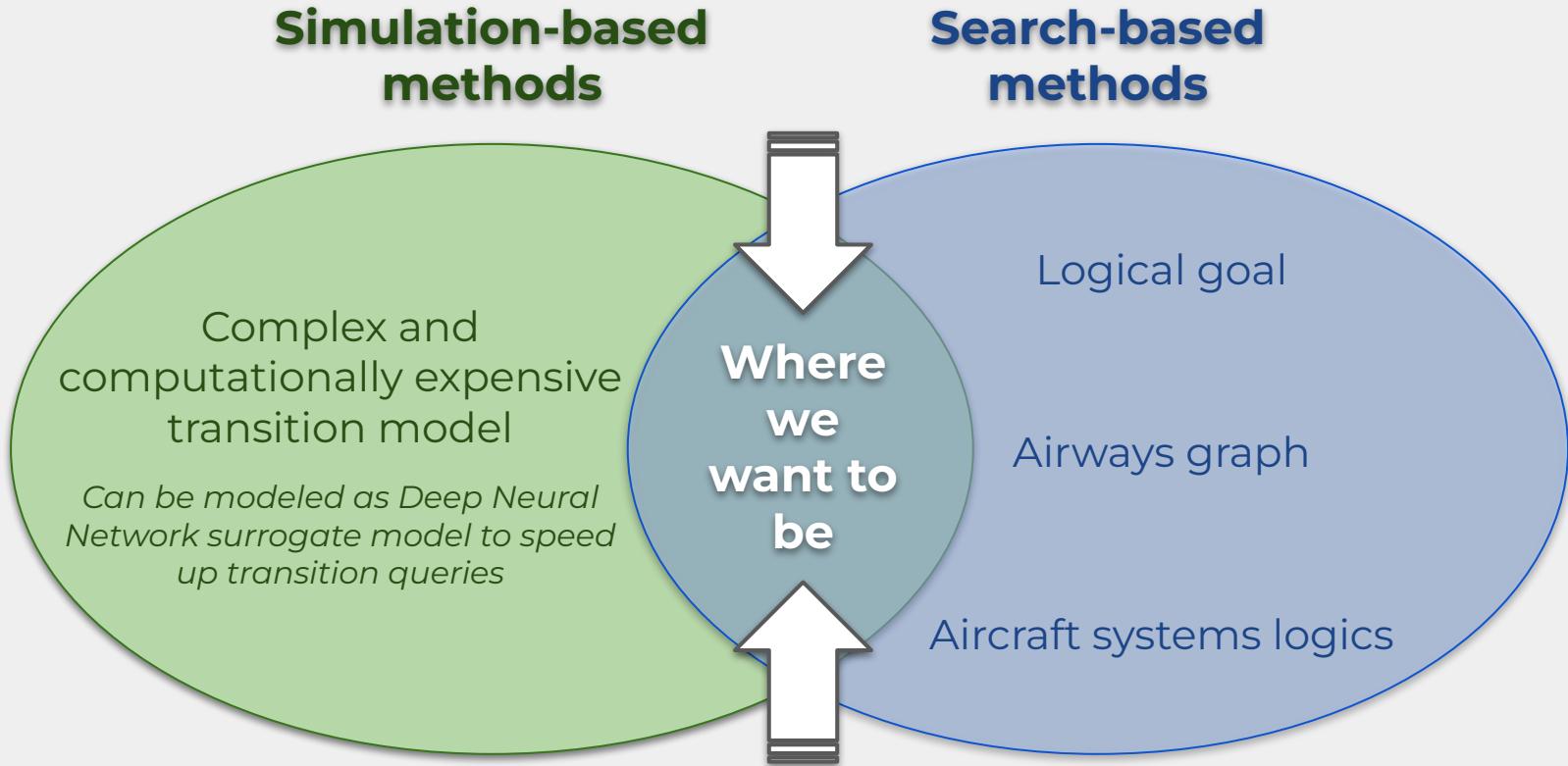
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The full transition model story



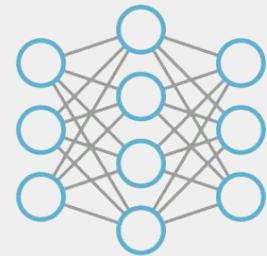
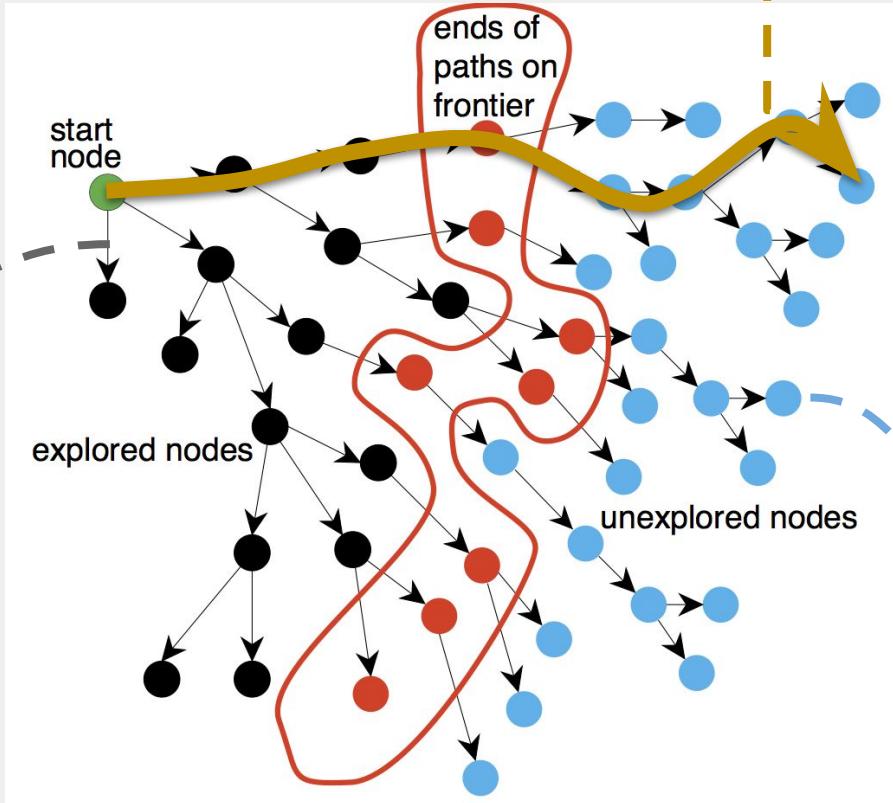
No free lunch: need for hybrid planning method



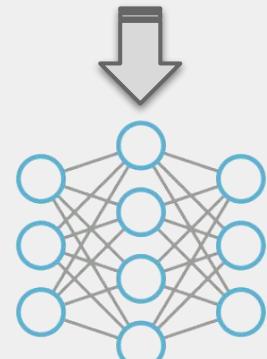
Possible hybridizations of deep learning with a typical search algorithm



Surrogate model of transitions
(aircraft performance evaluation, weather & ATC prediction)



Surrogate model of the solver



Heuristic function
(learned from previous solved instances of the search problem)

Another example of hybridization: stochastic manufacturing task scheduling

Stochastic Multi-Skill Multi-Mode Resource Constrained Project Scheduling Problem with Time-Constrained Precedence Constraints



IOODA Demo

NIGHT MODE

Time : 23

Chat

Hello!

what is my current task

Your current task is preparation fuselage rear.

my current task is done

Task completion has been taken into account

my wrench is broken

Thank you for the information. A reschedule was performed: your future tasks changed.

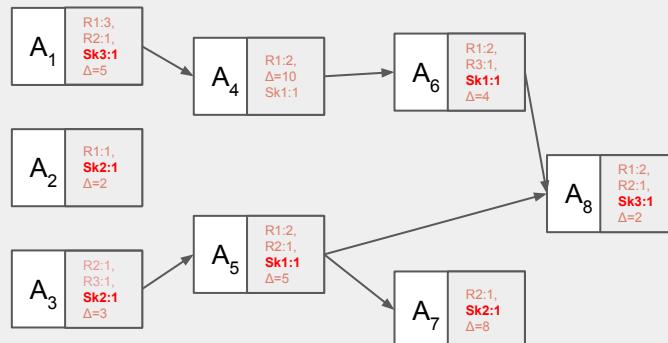
what is my next task

Your next task is deburring fuselage nose.

Write something... ➤

Viewer

worker

The screenshot shows a software interface titled "IOODA Demo". On the left, there's a chat window with a history of messages between a user and a virtual assistant. On the right, there's a "Viewer" section containing a Gantt chart titled "worker". The chart lists various workers (Joseph, Susan, Richard, Barbara, David, Elizabeth, William, Linda, Michael, Jennifer, Robert, Patricia, John, Mary, James) on the y-axis and time on the x-axis (0 to 70). Each worker has a series of colored bars representing different tasks. A vertical dashed line at approximately x=25 indicates a reschedule point. Below the chart, there's a legend for colors and symbols used in the bars.

Solving extended RCPSPs with Large Neighborhood Search

- Result Storage : `results = []`
- RCPSP Problem : `problem`
- Number of iterations `iterationlos`

`Init master problem :
MP(problem)
- i = 0`

`Compute initial solution :
results = [greedy(problem)]`

`i > iterationlos`

Yes

`Return results`

`RMP <- addconstraints(MP(problem), results)`

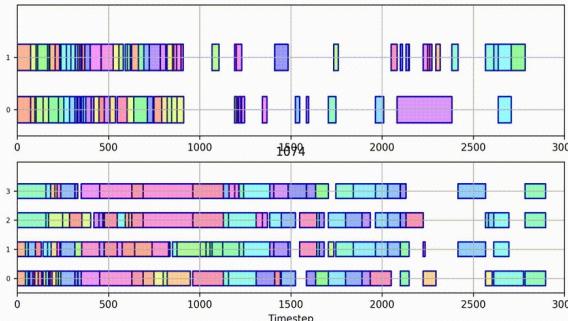
`resultsi = solve(RMP)`

`resultsi = postprocess(resultsi)`

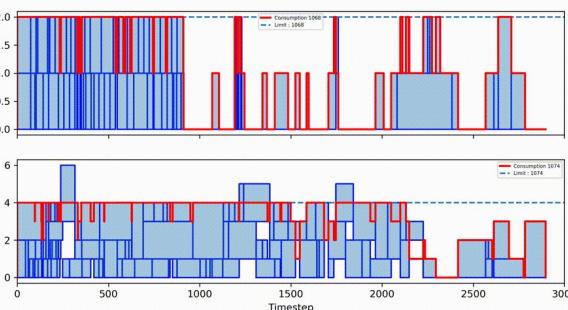
`results = results + resultsi
i = i + 1`

Makespan = 2897

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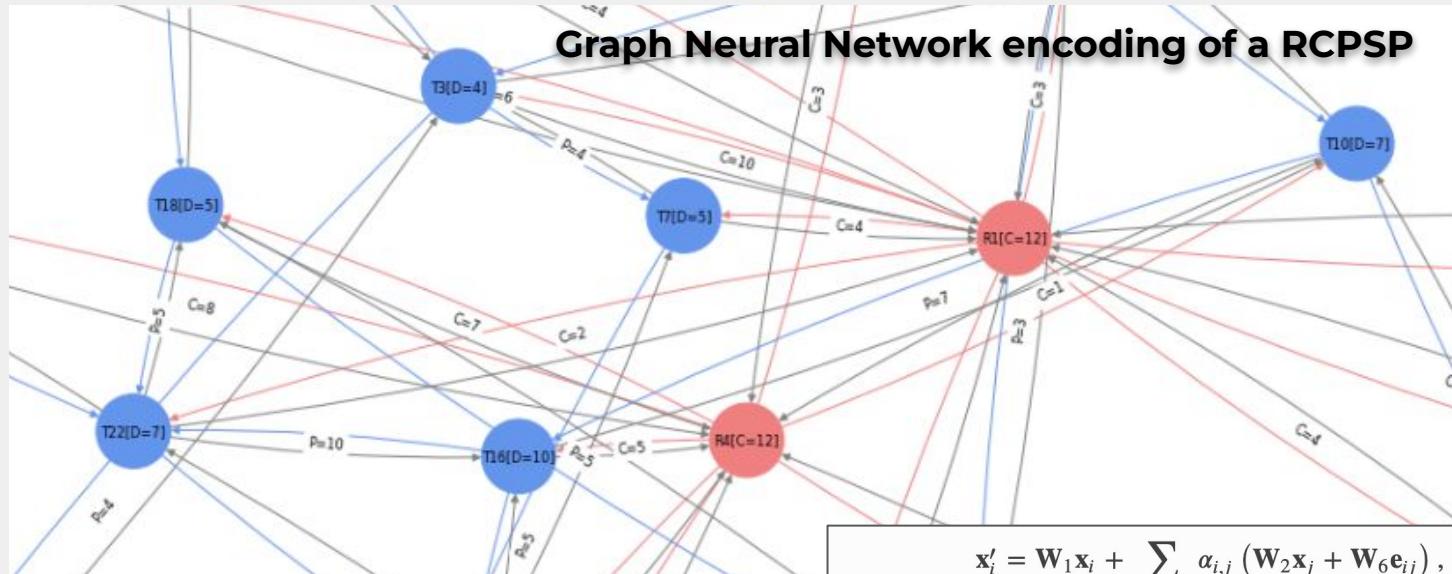


Scales to large industrial problems (thousands of multi-mode tasks with multi-skilled workers and temporal precedence constraints)



But does not handle uncertainty

Towards uncertainty and adaptivity handling with Graph Neural Networks



Currently using
[TransformerConv](#)
as NN layers:

$$\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{x}_i + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \alpha_{i,j} (\mathbf{W}_2 \mathbf{x}_j + \mathbf{W}_6 \mathbf{e}_{ij}),$$

where the attention coefficients $\alpha_{i,j}$ are now computed via:

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \text{softmax} \left(\frac{(\mathbf{W}_3 \mathbf{x}_i)^\top (\mathbf{W}_4 \mathbf{x}_j + \mathbf{W}_6 \mathbf{e}_{ij})}{\sqrt{d}} \right)$$



reverse link
(to propagate information
in both ways)

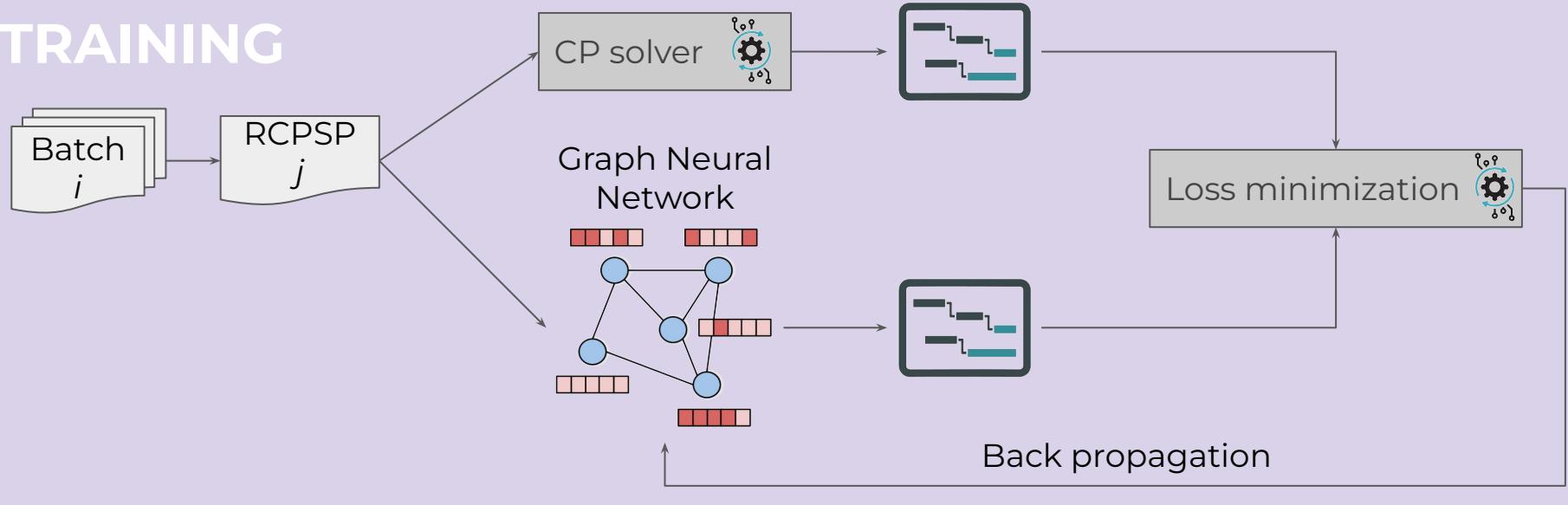
pre.: $[0, 0, 0, 1, 0]$

res.: $[0, 0, 1, 0, \#\text{consumed}]$

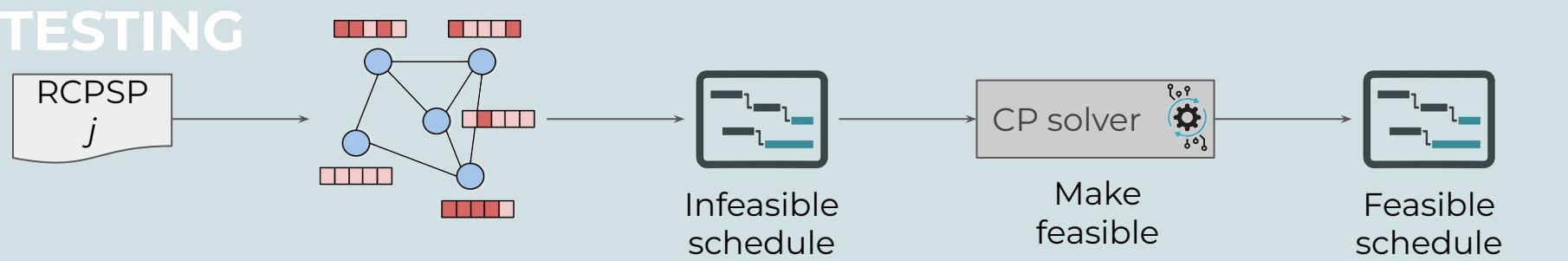
Hybridizing CP+GNN

(supervised learning from CP solution examples)

TRAINING

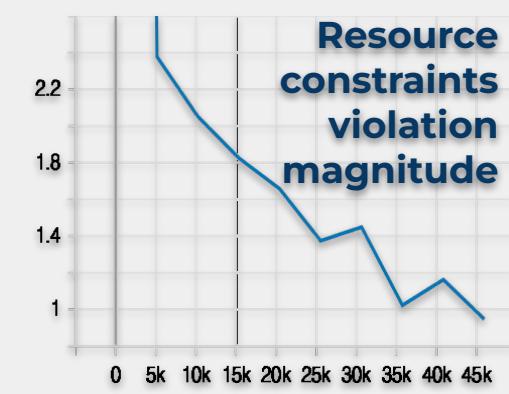
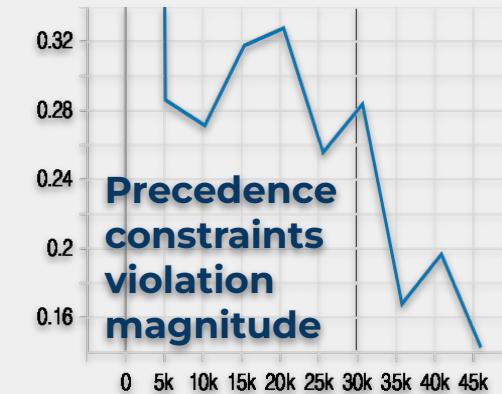
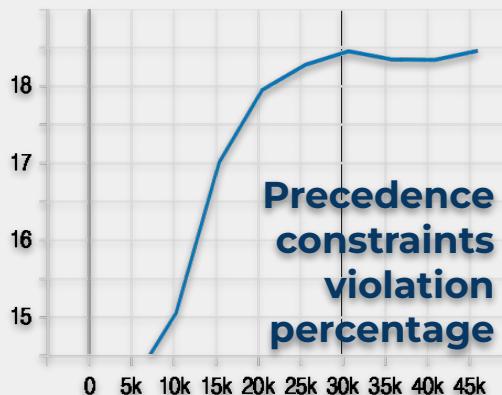
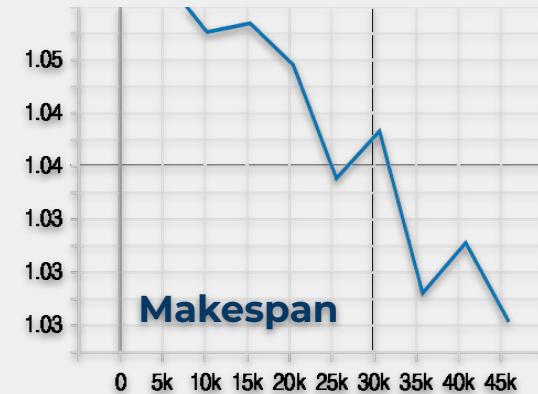
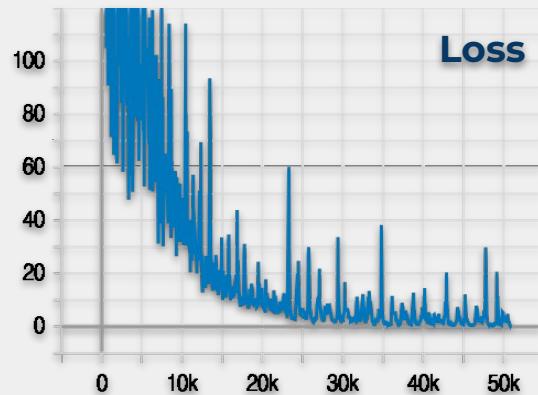


TESTING



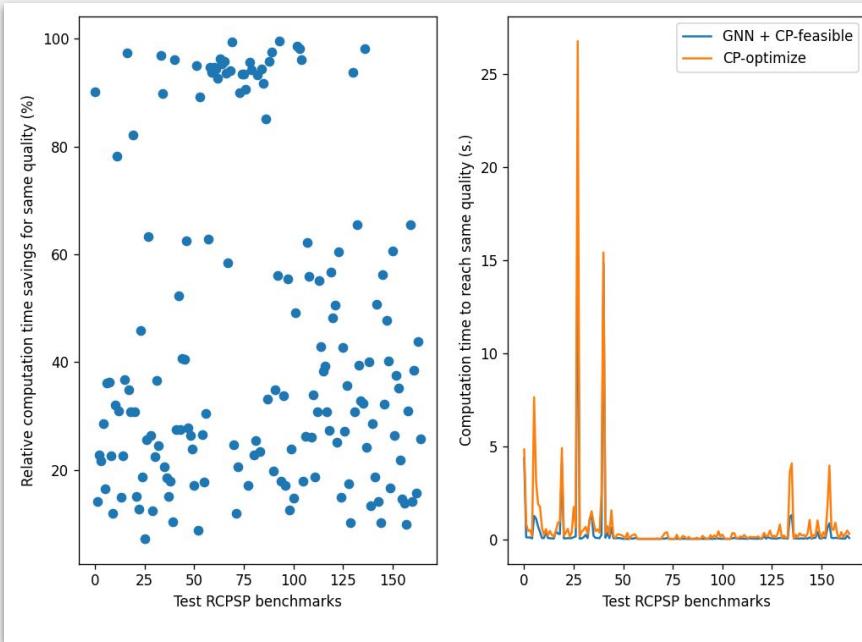
CP + GNN : *training statistics*

(80% of 2040 RCPSP instances)

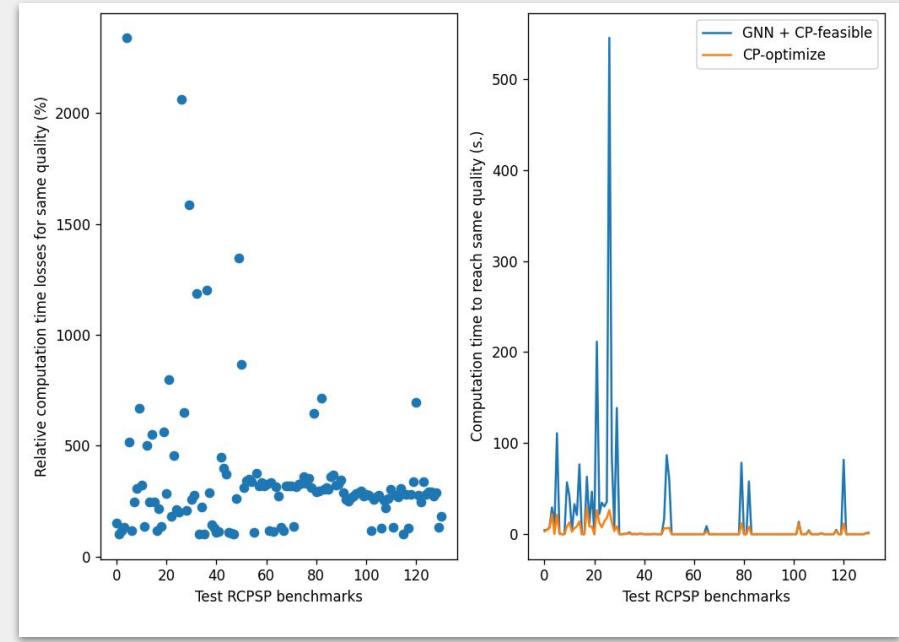


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Protocol: evaluate vanilla CP solver time to get same quality solution as GNN+CP solver, then compare with GNN+CP solver time \Rightarrow **Does warm-starting CP with GNN solution help?**

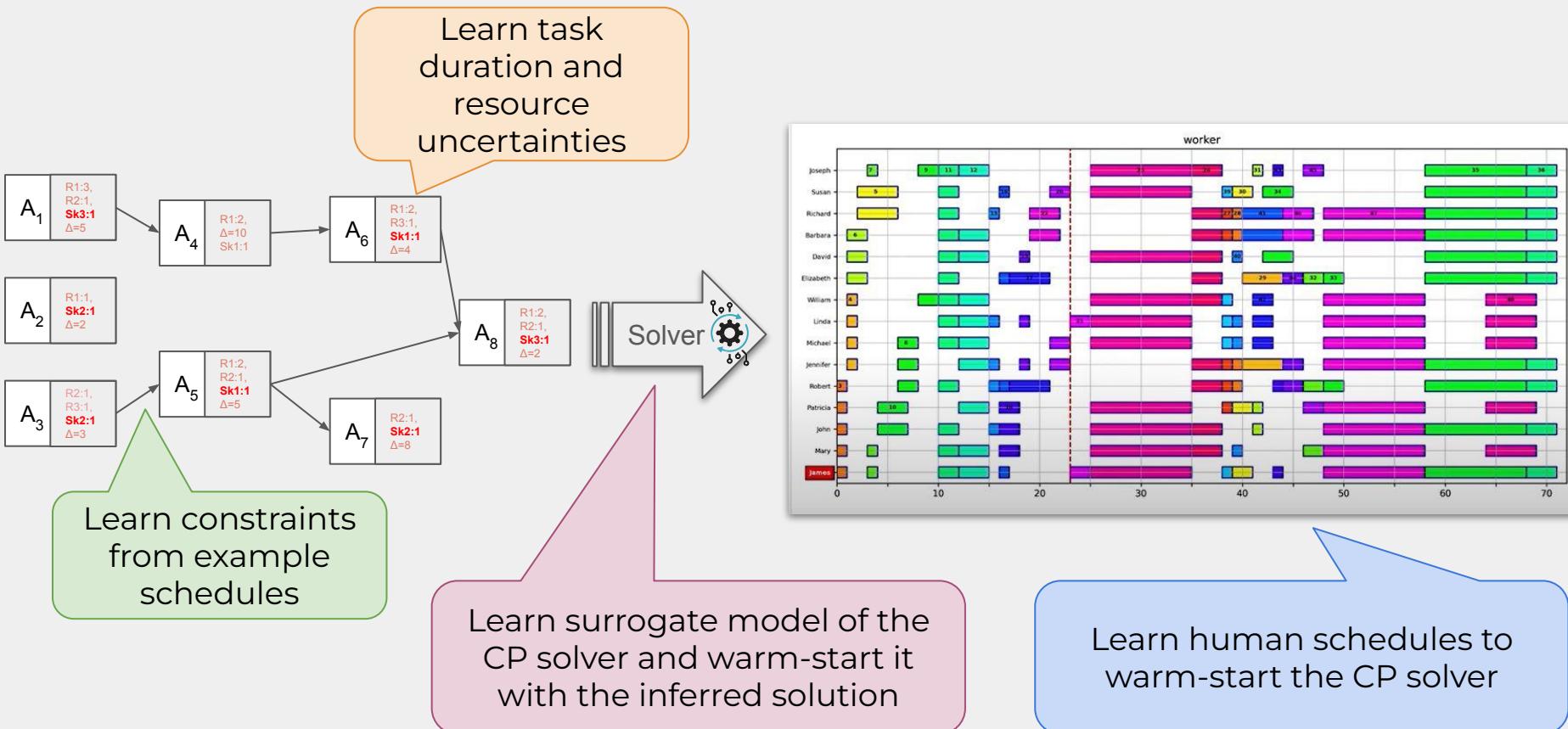


👍 Benchmarks where warm-starting the CP solver with the GNN inferred solution **helps**



👎 Benchmarks where warm-starting the CP solver with the GNN inferred solution **harms**

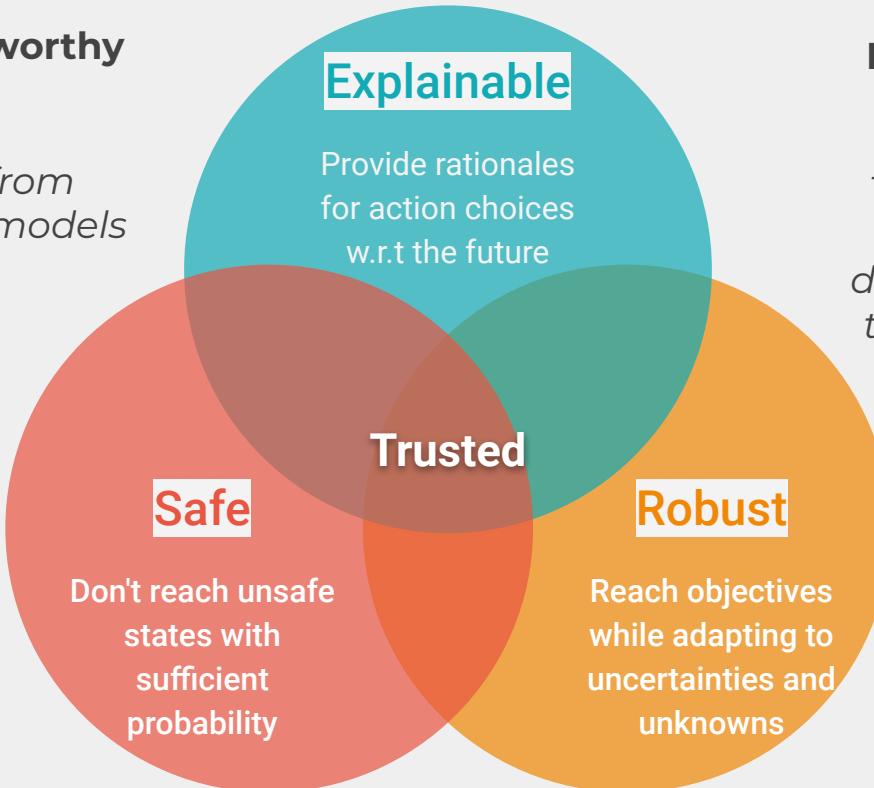
Possible hybridizations of deep learning with a Constraint Programming solver



Trustable decision-making systems

Different from trustworthy deep learning:

valid independently from using deep learning models in decision-making

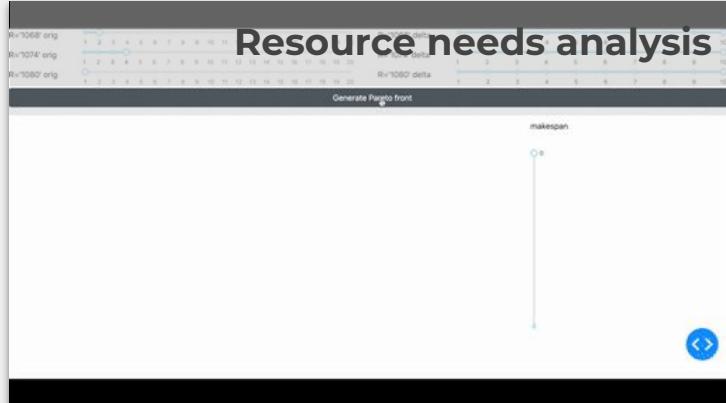
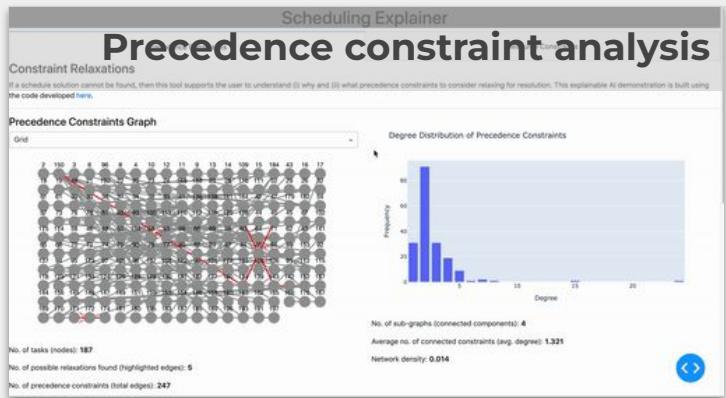


Relying on deep learning adds to the complexity:

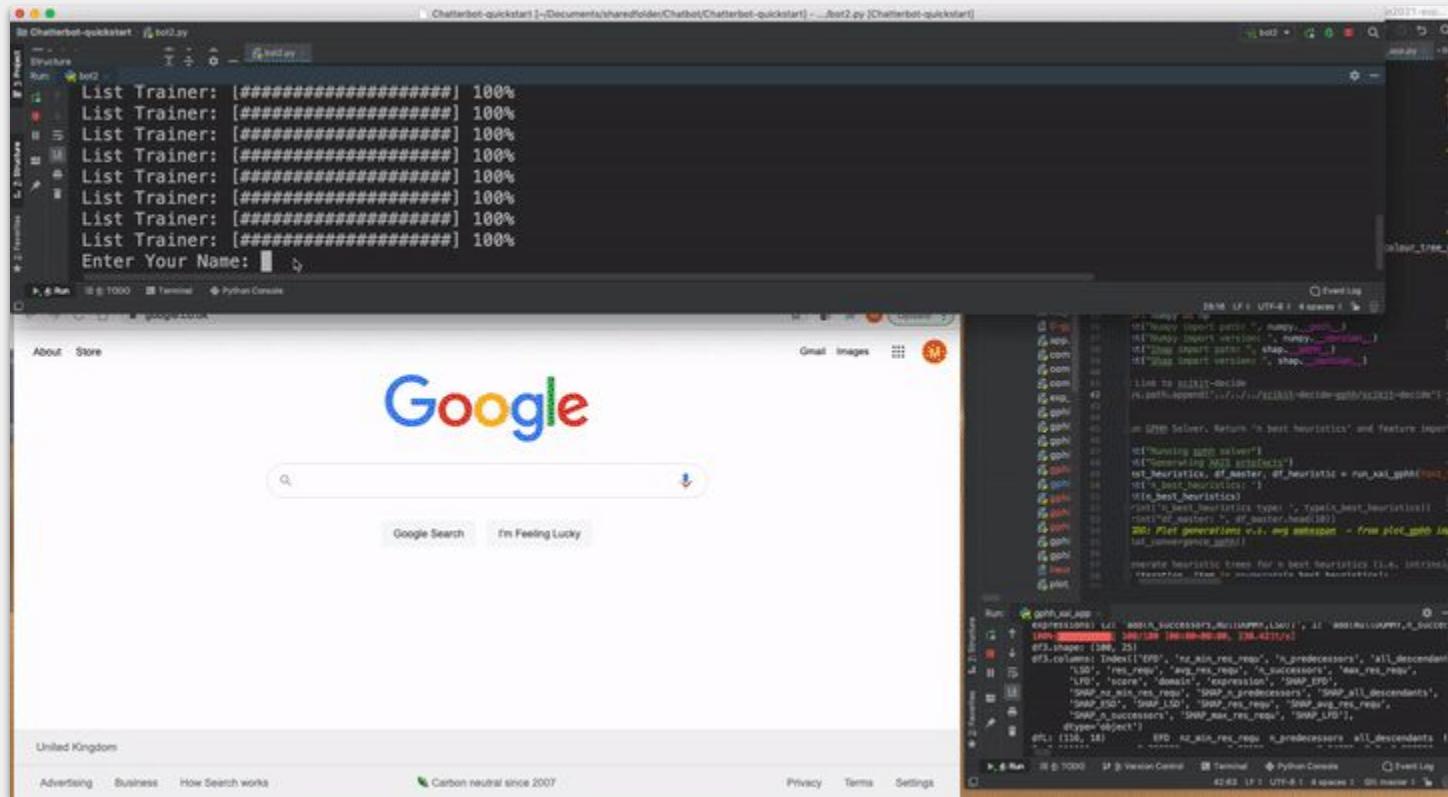
Trustworthy properties for deep learning-based decision-making rest upon trustworthy deep learning properties

Explaining manufacturing schedules

- ✓ Precedence constraints analysis
- ✓ Resource needs analysis
- ✓ Feature importance analysis of embedded deep learning models
- ✗ Runtime task choice explanation

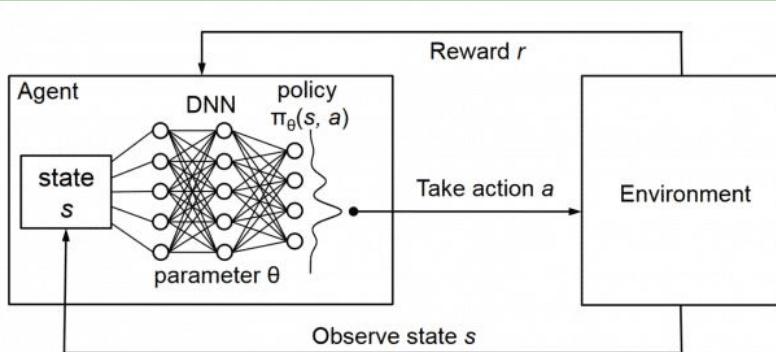


NLP-based chatbot for schedule explanation

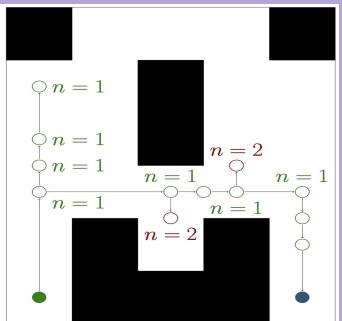


Robustness: adapt to uncertainties (and you can't go without a simulator)

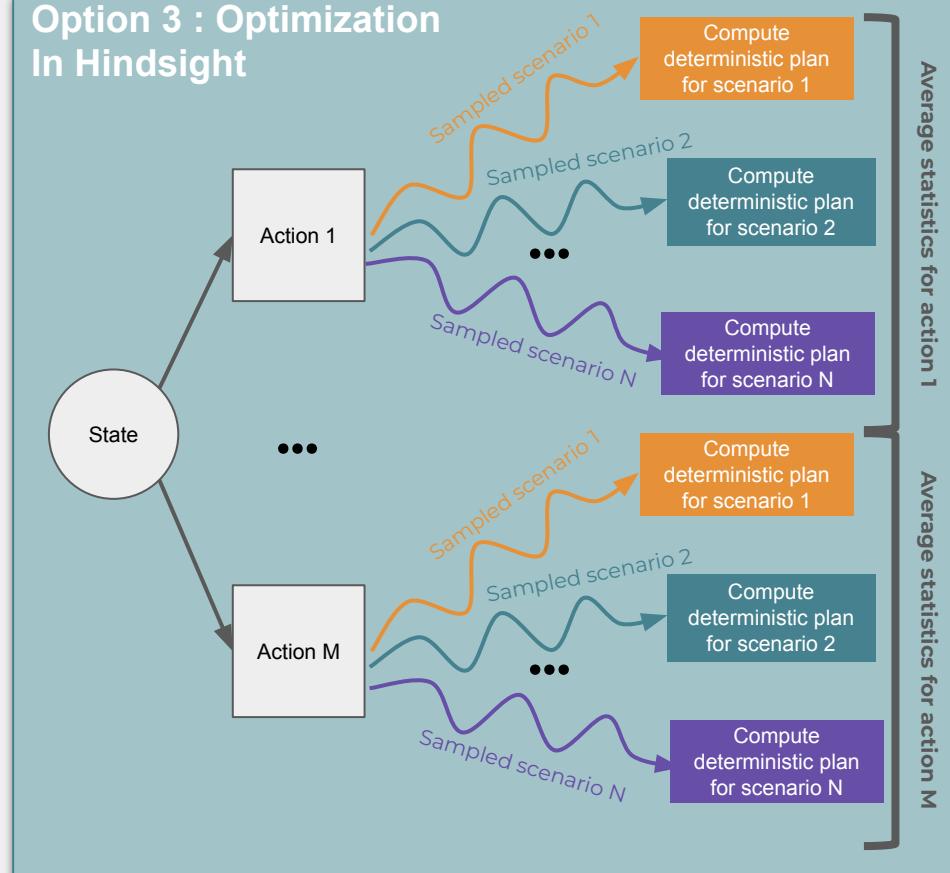
Option 1 : Reinforcement Learning



Option 2 : Width-Based Planning



Option 3 : Optimization In Hindsight

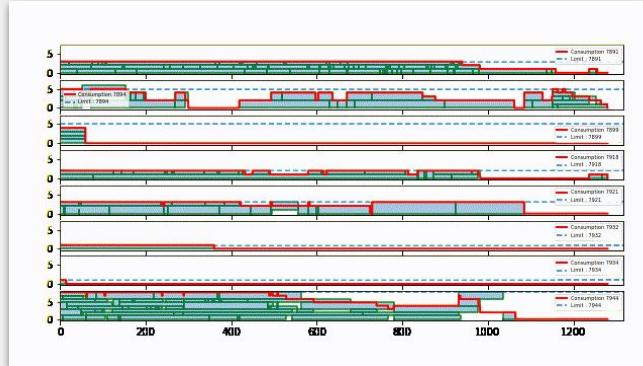
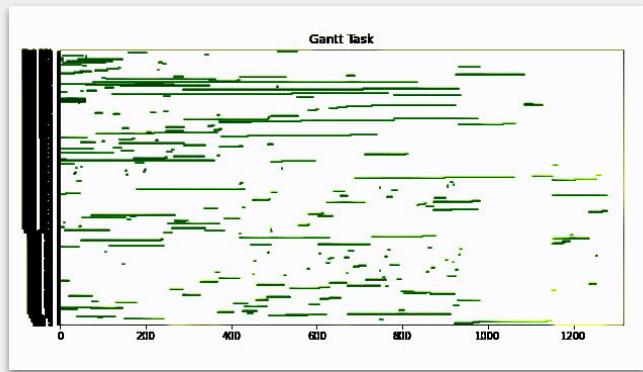


Robustness: optimization in hindsight showcase

Flight planning under uncertain convective areas

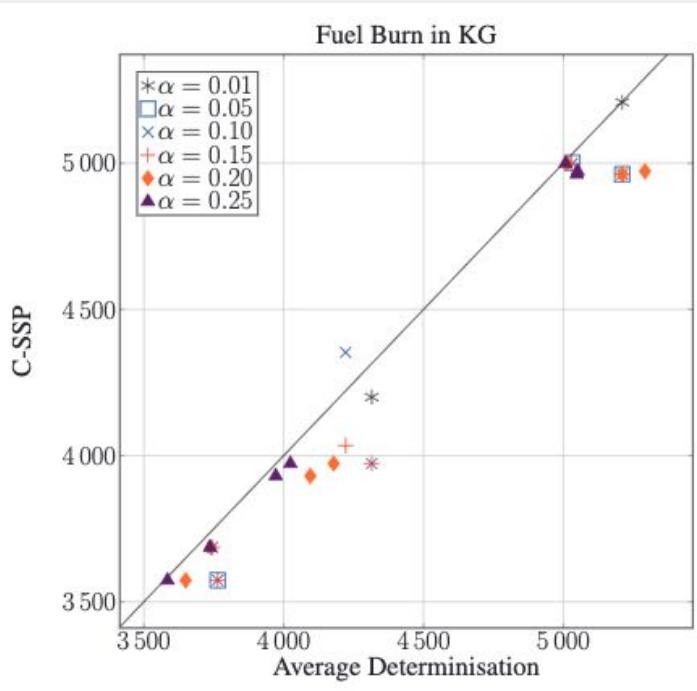


Manufacturing scheduling under uncertain task durations



Safety: HAL-320, don't crash the plane!

Example: maximum flight time in convective area



$$\min_{\vec{p}} \sum_{p_\pi} E[C_0|\pi] p_\pi \quad (\text{LP1})$$

$$\text{s.t. } p_\pi \geq 0 \quad \forall \pi \in \Pi_{det} \quad (\text{C1})$$

$$\sum_{\pi} p_\pi = 1 \quad (\text{C2})$$

$$\sum_{p_\pi} E[C_i|\pi] p_\pi \leq u_i \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} \quad (\text{C3})$$



Perfectly deals with flight time constraints that can be modeled in the LP



Unable to capture fuel constraints because aircraft performance model is based on simulation engines

So, HAL-320, how can I help you to be trusted?

1. **Solve the *right* problem *efficiently*:** hybridize search and deep learning
2. **Explain:** (i) algorithm parameter impact to system designers; (ii) algorithm online choices to end users
3. **Be robust:** proactively reasons about uncertainty while optimizing the plan or the schedule
4. **Be safe:** prove that the plan or schedule - be hybridized with deep learning or not - satisfy probabilistic constraints

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