



# Summer Workshop 23 'Nantes



## Certification of AI based (sub)system

Project n°10



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- ▶ **Context and Challenges -----> EC regulation – AI Act**
- ▶ **Use case : Certification of an AI-based system for drone**
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  - **Data quality**
  - **Uncertainty quantification**

# Thrustworthy AI: Context and challenges

Industrialization of AI is a crucial issue of industrial and economic competitiveness

- Increase in efficiency (i.e.: more sparing use of resources, better allocation of resources,...)
- Optimization of existing products or services
- Improvement of user experience

AI is increasingly complex and appears as black-box

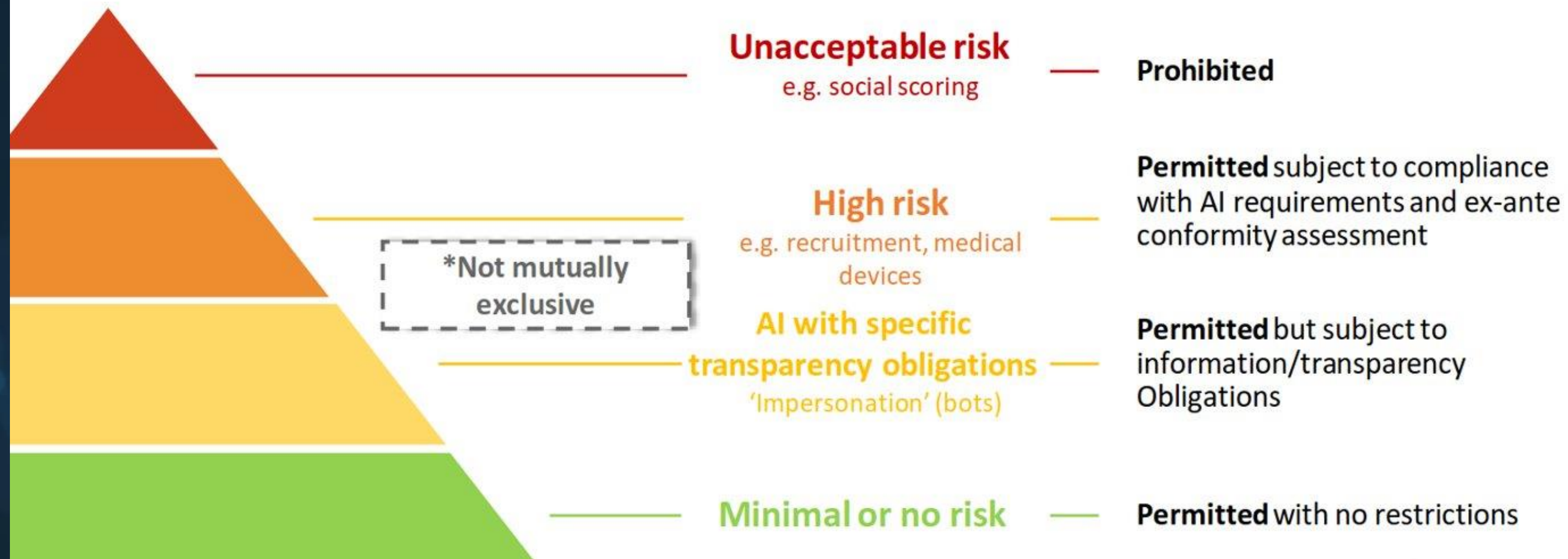
- AI creates uncertainty which restricts its acceptance by business leaders and its integration into new products
- AI creates mistrust which hinders its adoption by users

Critical systems

- What level of confidence can be given to AI techniques ?
- Are AI techniques compatible with the strict certification requirements of specific sectors (Health / Aeronautics / Space) ?

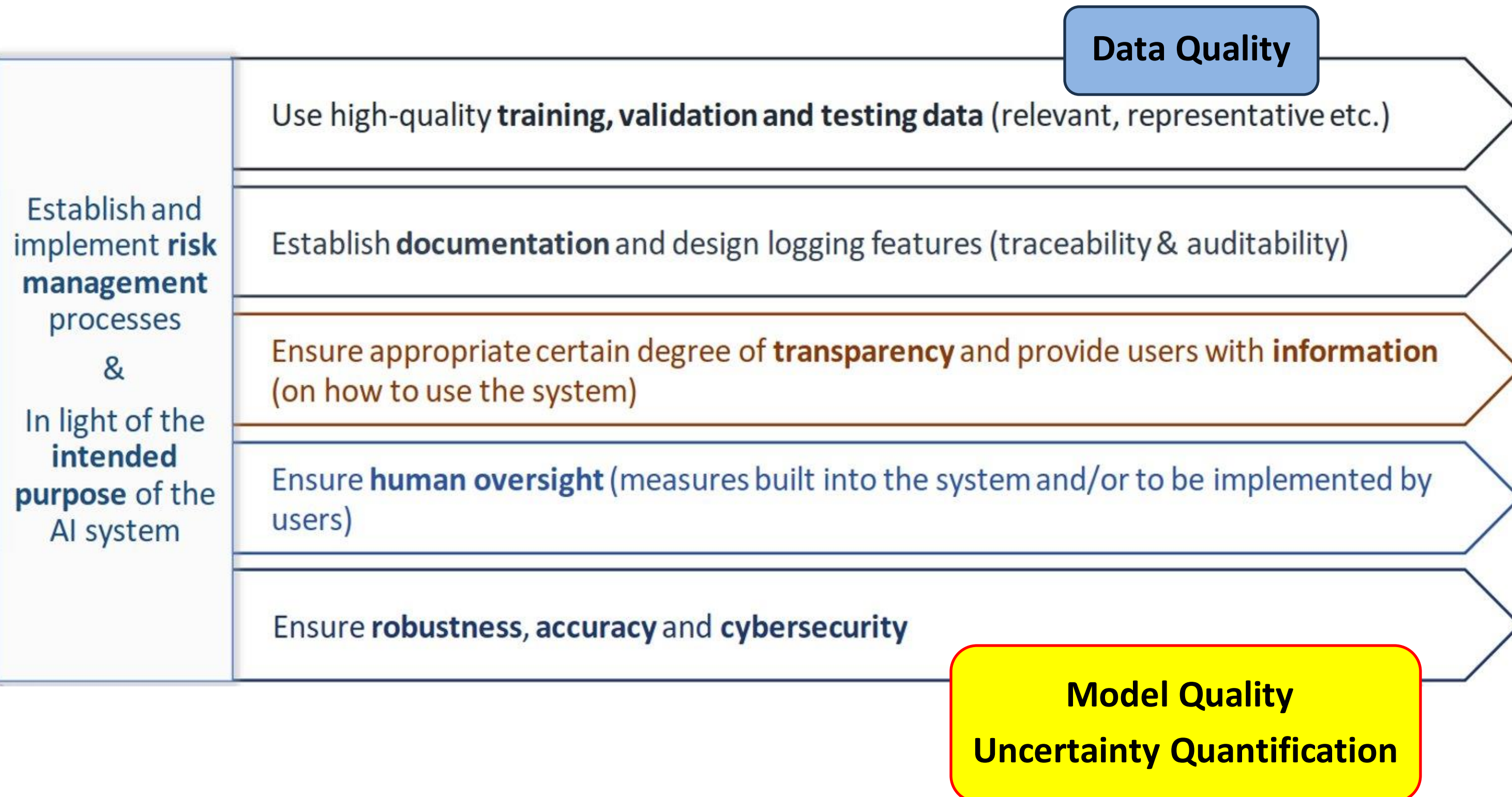
# AI European Regulation

- 2019 - Guidelines based on 7 requirements
  - Put in place a whole framework for trustworthy AI in critical systems
- April 2021 -> 14 June 2023 – EU AI ACT : First Regulation on AI
  - Risk-based approach to regulate applications implementing AI components (horizontal)





# Requirements for high-risk AI



# Use case: Remaining time to flight estimation system for a drone

## Data:



195 flights ~ 3 min = 10 h 45 min = 65 km travelled



Different flight parameters (Altitude, Payload, Speed, Different routes)



Anemometer : Wind angle and speed



Position, orientation, speed (linear and angular) and acceleration



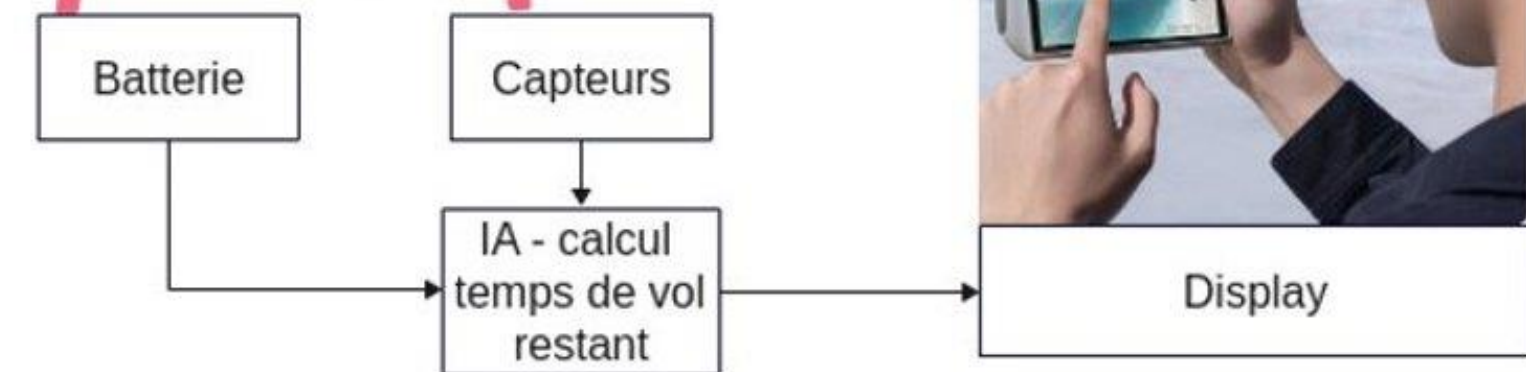
Battery current and voltage (not used in training)



Sensor box mounted on the drone to collect data

## Datasets split:

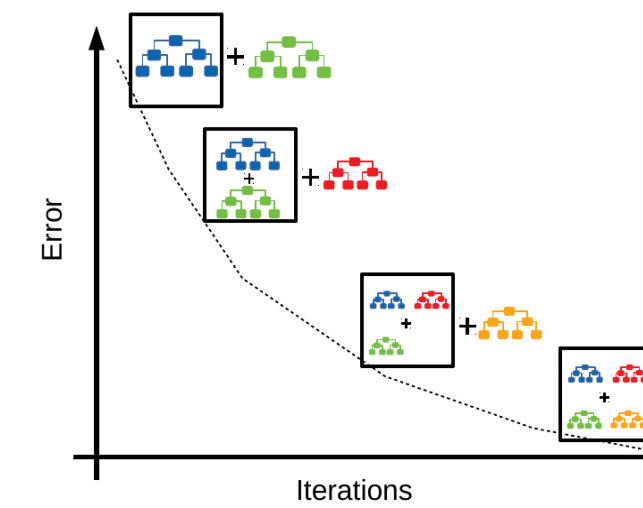
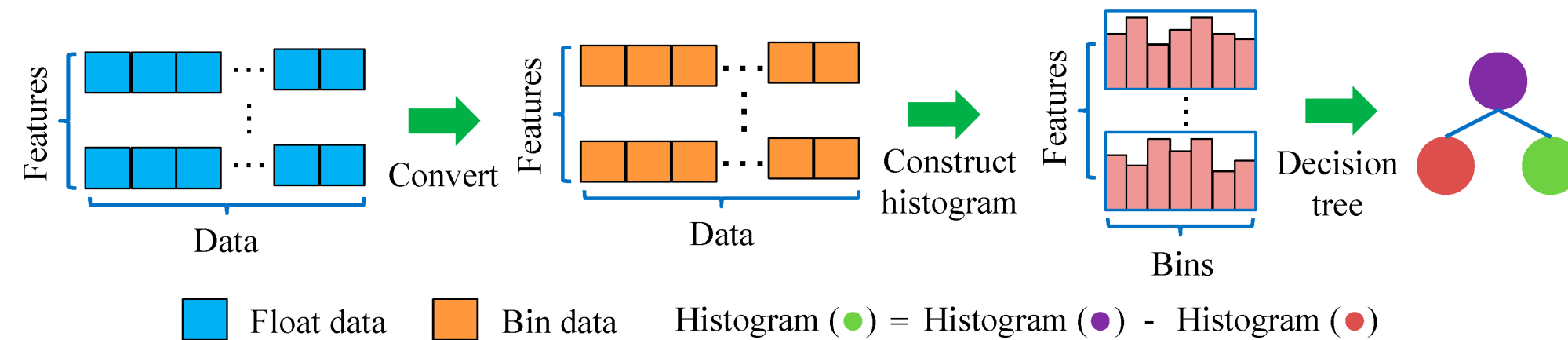
- Train
  - Validation
  - Test
  - "heavier" (OOD) → 1 flight with 750g
- 195 flights with {0, 250, 500} g



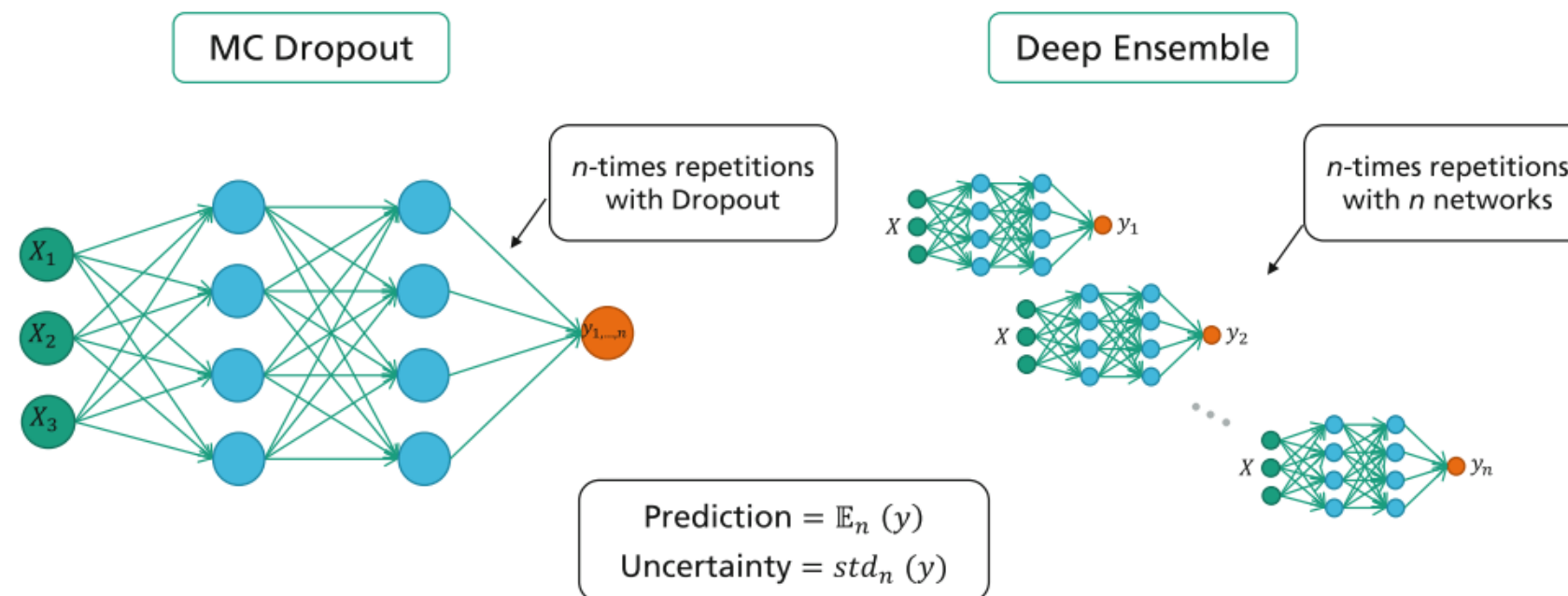
# Use case: Remaining time to flight estimation system for a drone

## Models for the estimation of the instantaneous power

- Classical Machine Learning model : HistGradientBoostingRegressor



- Deep Learning model : Deep Ensemble of (20) MC-Dropout models (20 runs)



Sources : <http://tvas.me/articles/2019/08/26/Block-Distributed-Gradient-Boosted-Trees.html>

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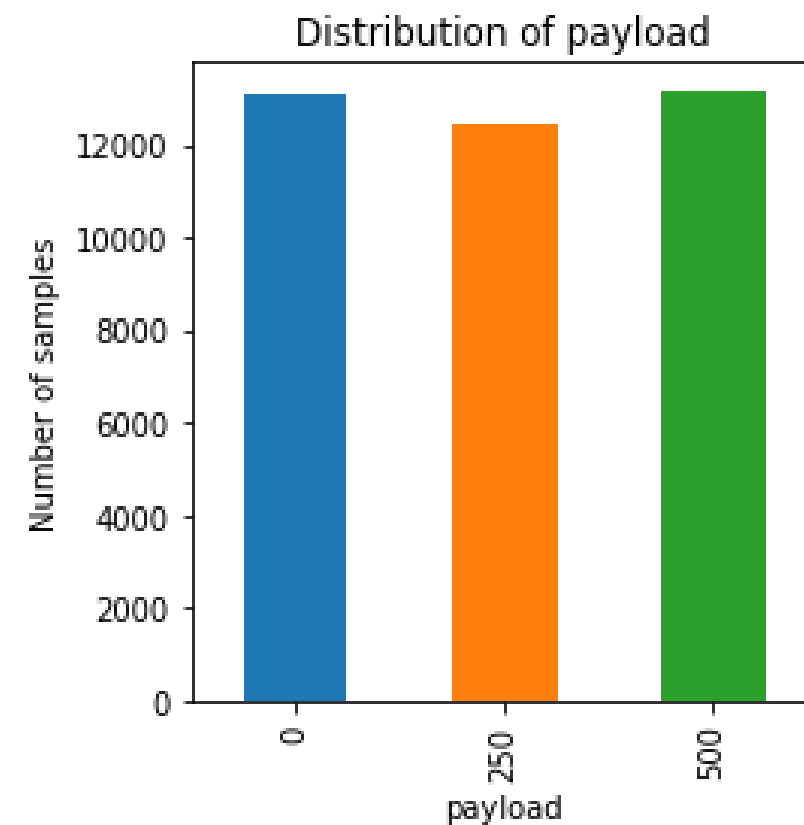
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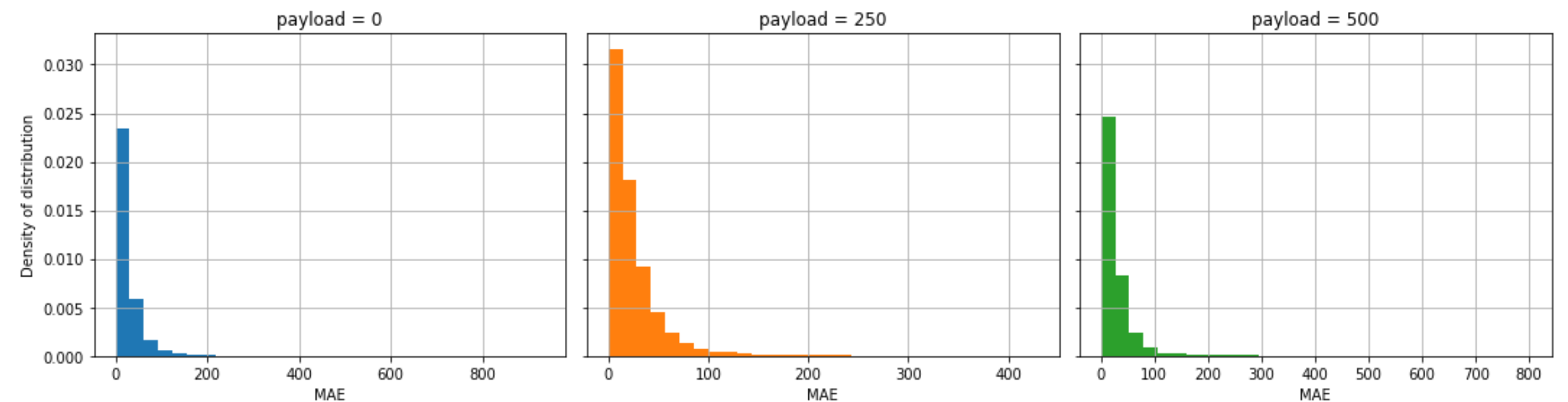
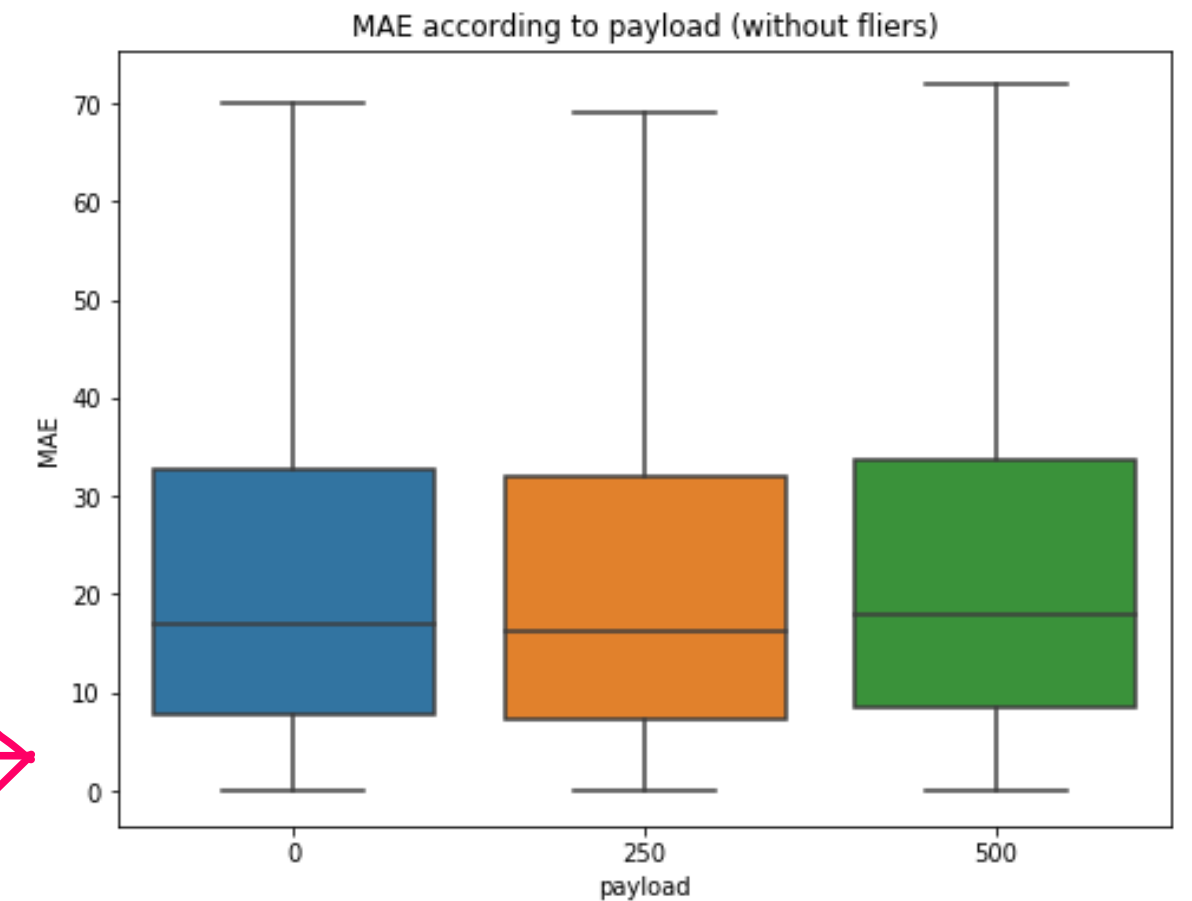
# Data Quality : Fairness

- Goal = study bias in data and models
- Example of bias in medical data : sex, age  
-> in our use case : payload

Are the subsets equally distributed ?



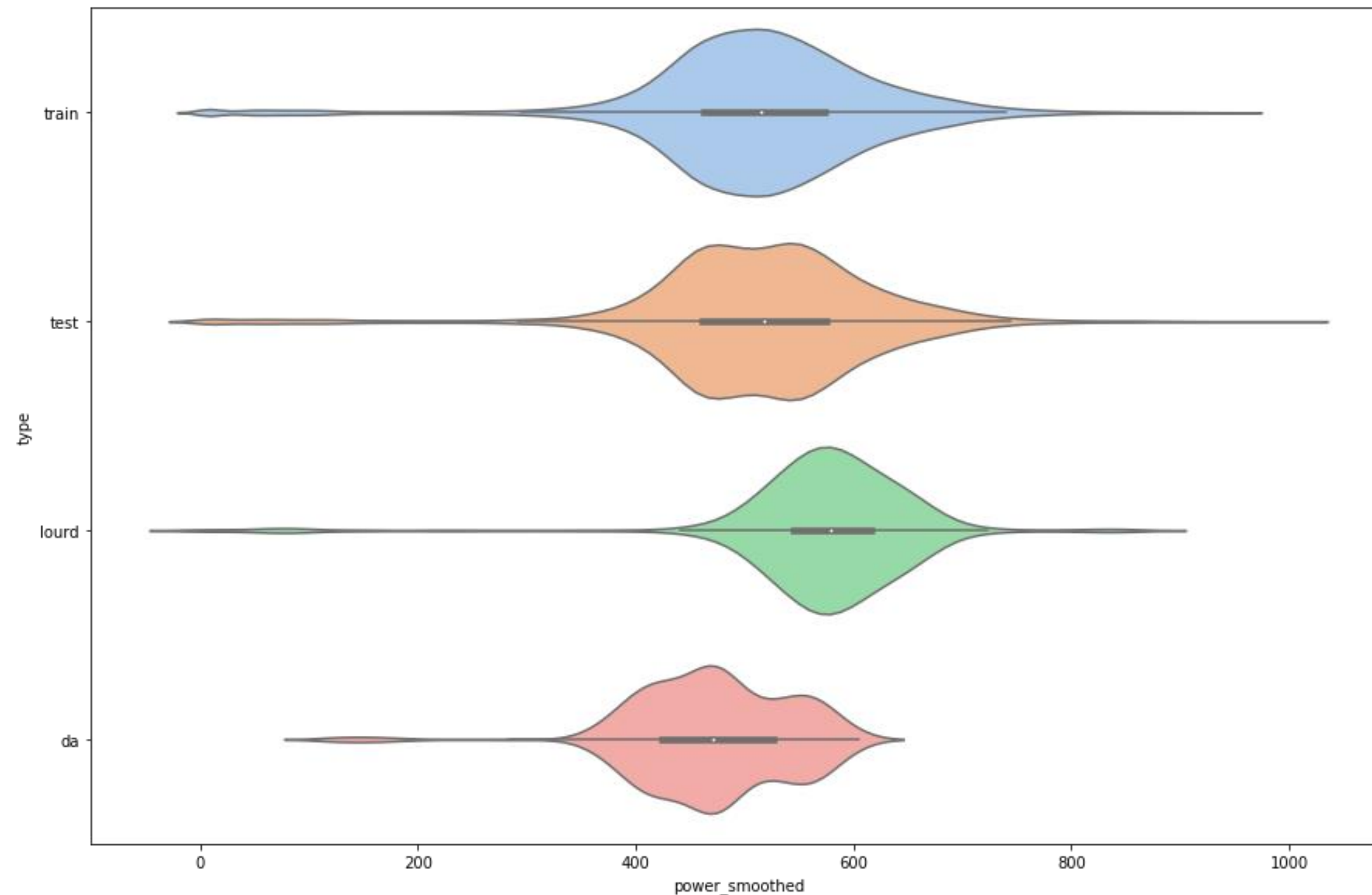
Does the model perform equally for every payload ?



# Data Quality : Out Of Distribution

The term 'out-of-distribution' (OOD) data refers to the data collected at a different time, and possibly under different conditions or environment, compared to the data collected to create the model. This data is from a 'different distribution'.  
-> In our case: the 'heavier' ('lourd') dataset is OOD.

Violin plots: Display the distributions of the 'power' for multiple datasets (train, test, 'lourd', DA)



# Model Quality : Prediction Intervals

Classical Machine Learning Model : HistGradientBoostingRegressor (sklearn.ensemble)

**Tool** : Puncc (Predictive uncertainty calibration and conformalization)

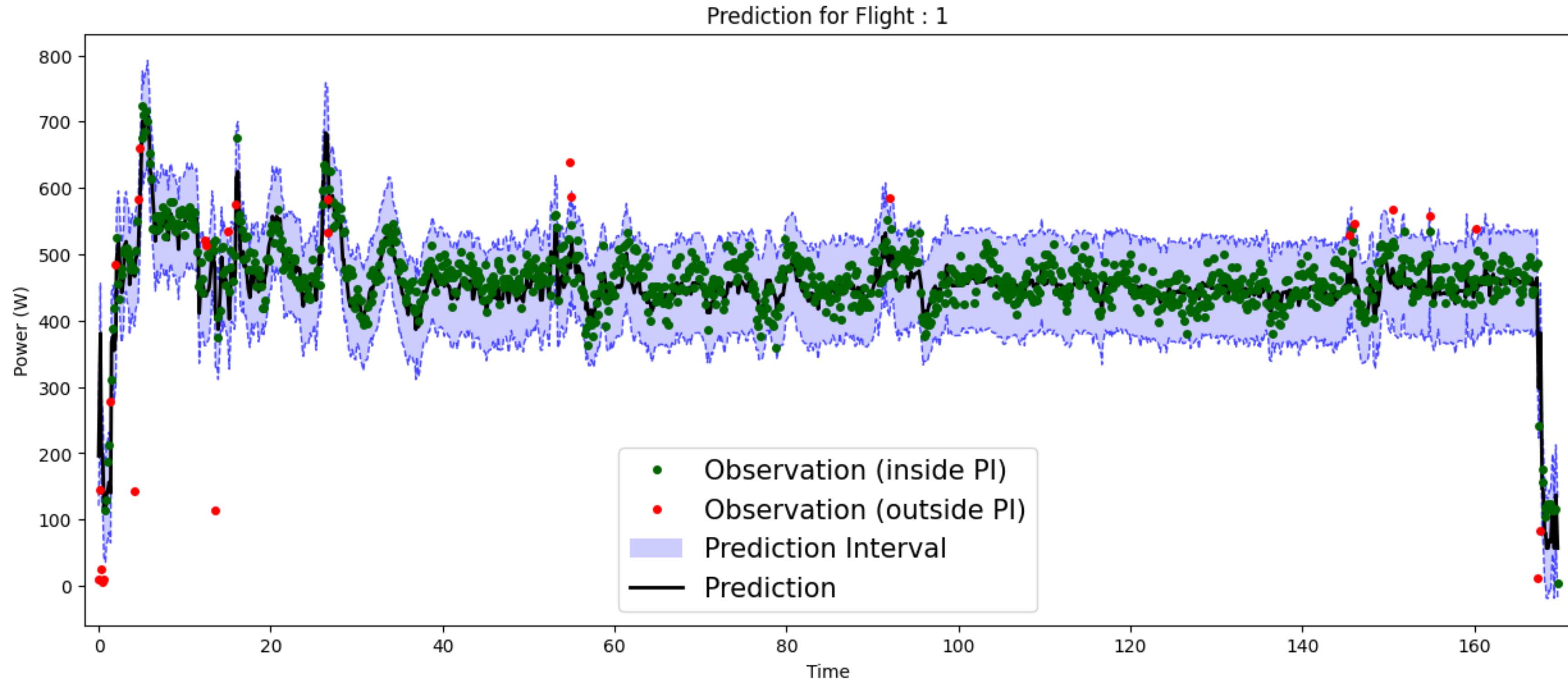
- Open-source Python library (developed by the DEEL Project)
- Collection of state-of-the-art **conformal prediction** algorithms providing prediction intervals backed by theoretical guarantees
  - Split Conformal Prediction
  - Locally Adaptive Conformal Prediction
  - Conformalized Quantile Regression
  - Ensemble Batch Prediction Intervals method
  - Locally adaptive Ensemble Batch Prediction Intervals method
  - CV + (cross-validation)
- **Evaluation**
  - Marginal Coverage (assess how often the predicted intervals contain the true values)
  - Average width of the intervals



<https://github.com/deel-ai/puncc/>



# Split Conformal prediction

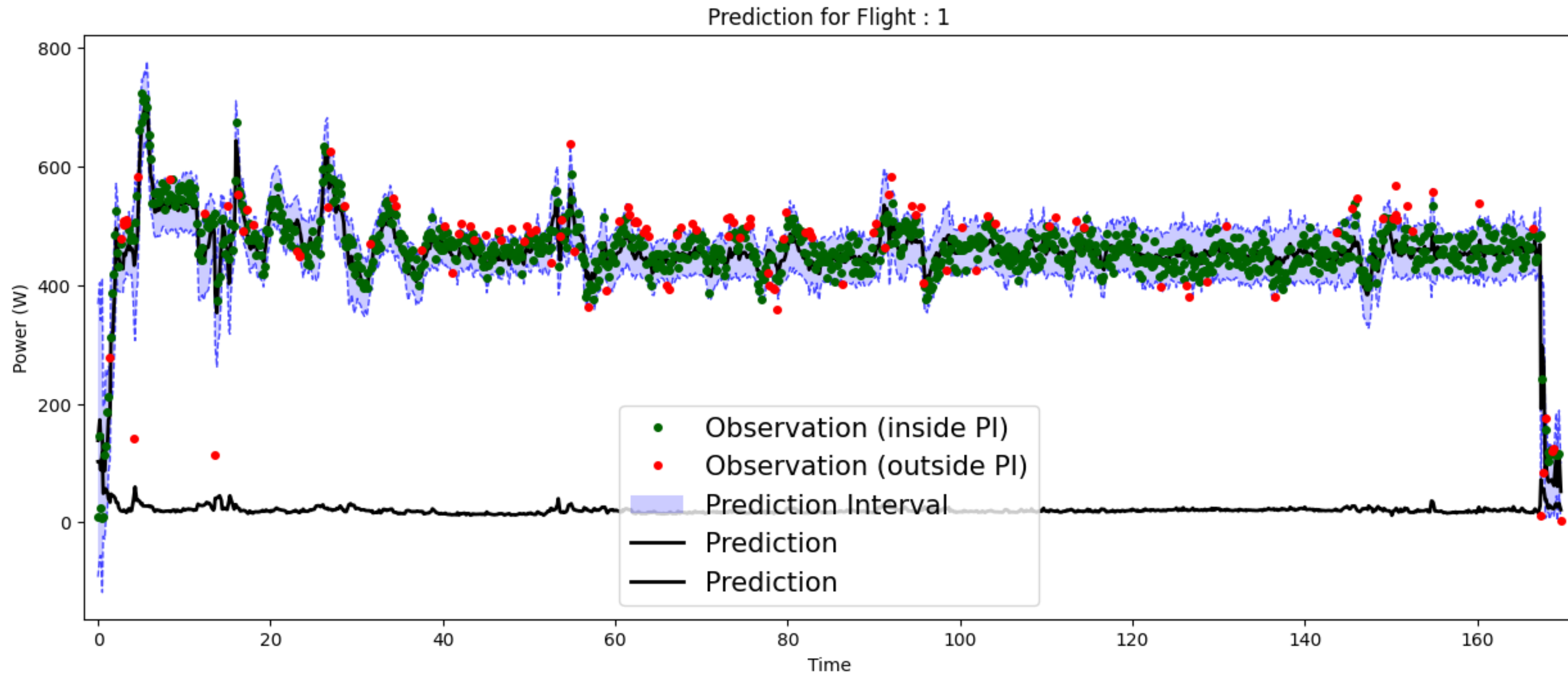


**TEST dataset**

Marginal coverage: 0.98

Average width:150.84

# Locally adaptative Ensemble Batch Prediction Intervals

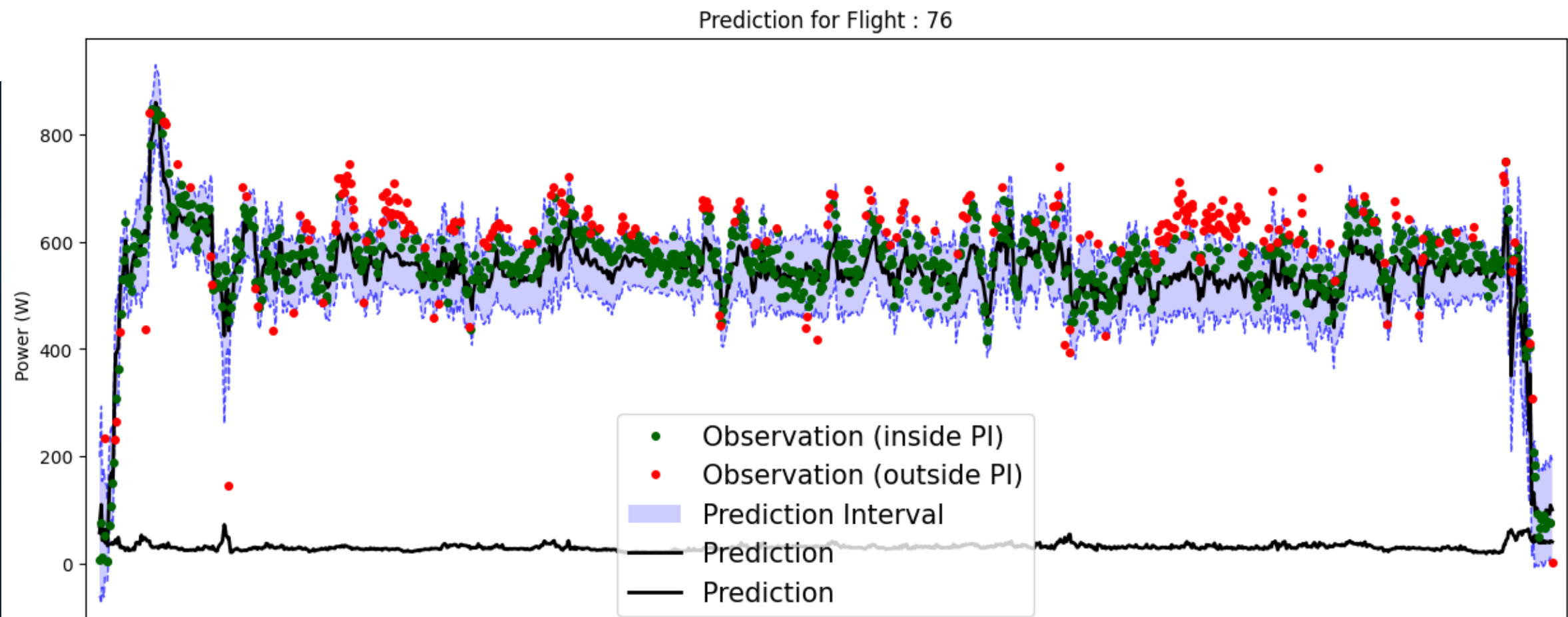


**TEST dataset**

Marginal coverage: 0.89

Average width:92.05

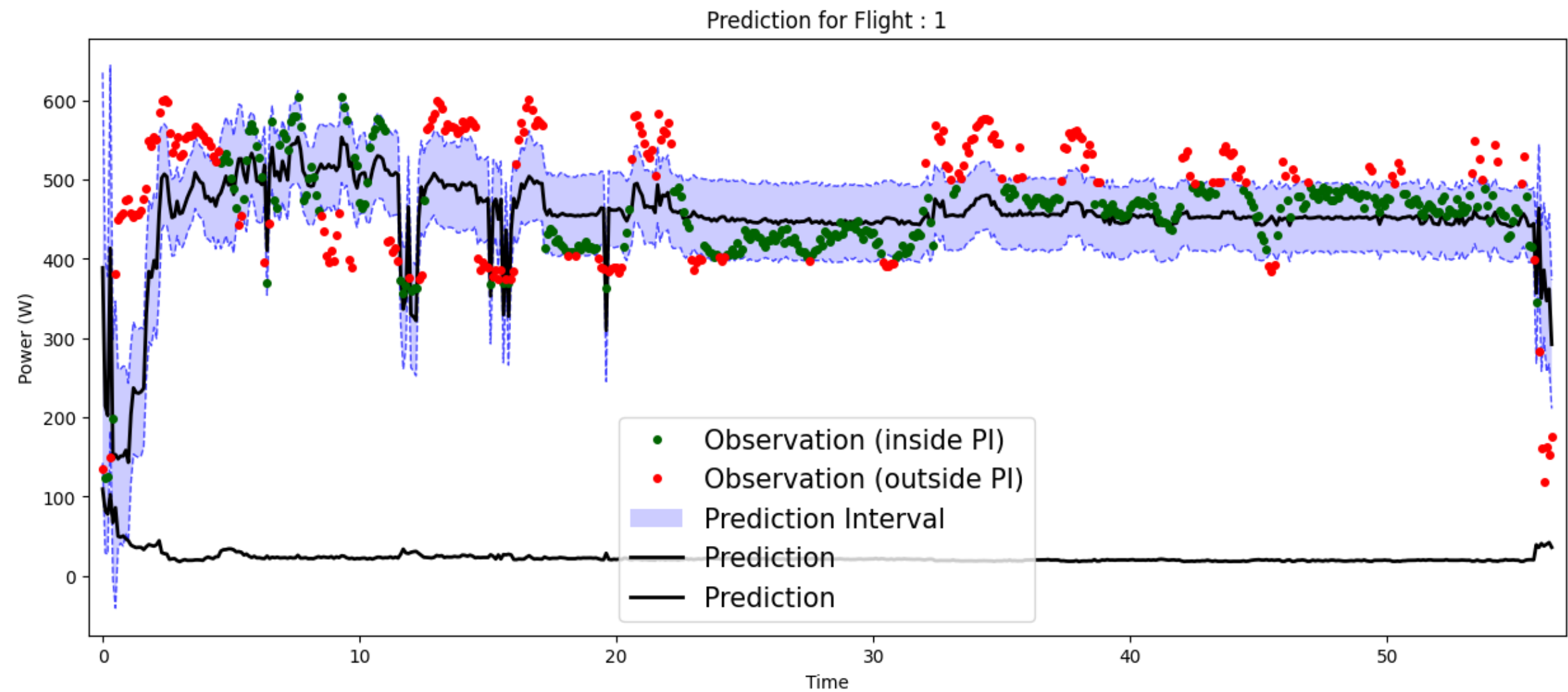
# Locally adaptative Ensemble Batch Prediction Intervals



## LOURD Dataset

Marginal coverage: 0.77

Average width: 139.7



## DA Dataset

Marginal coverage: 0.58

Average width: 102.61

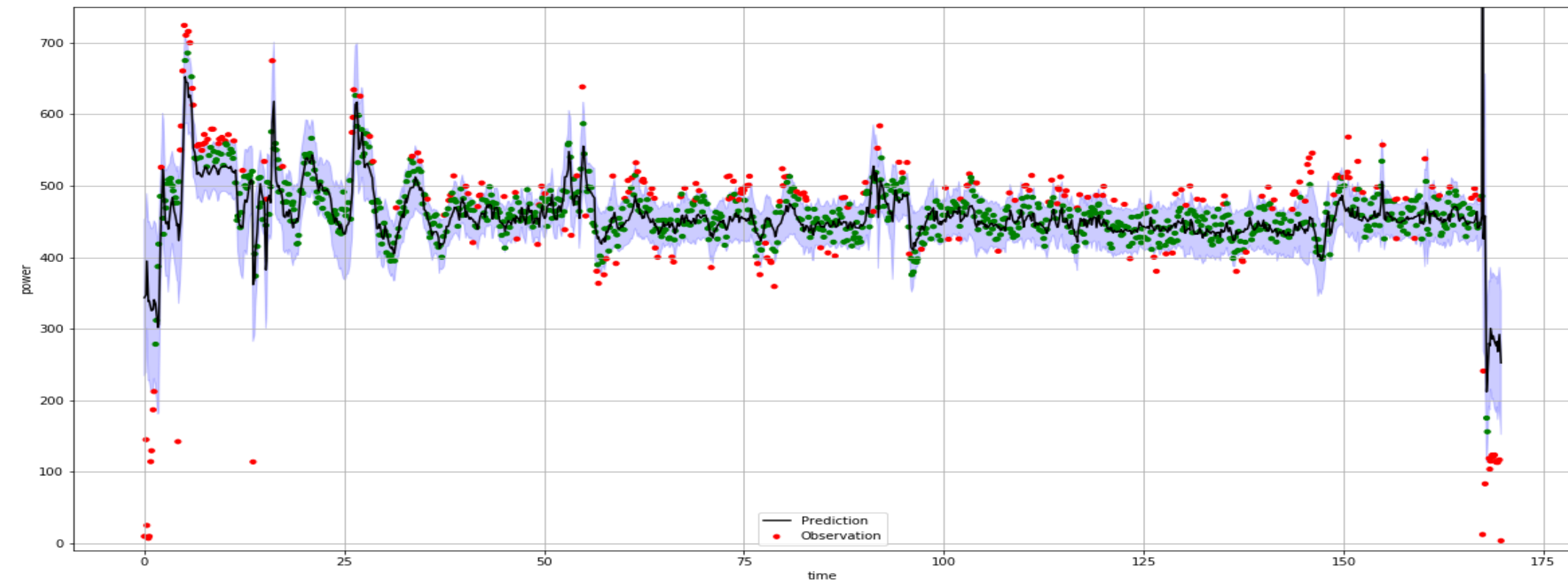


# Model Quality : Uncertainty quantification

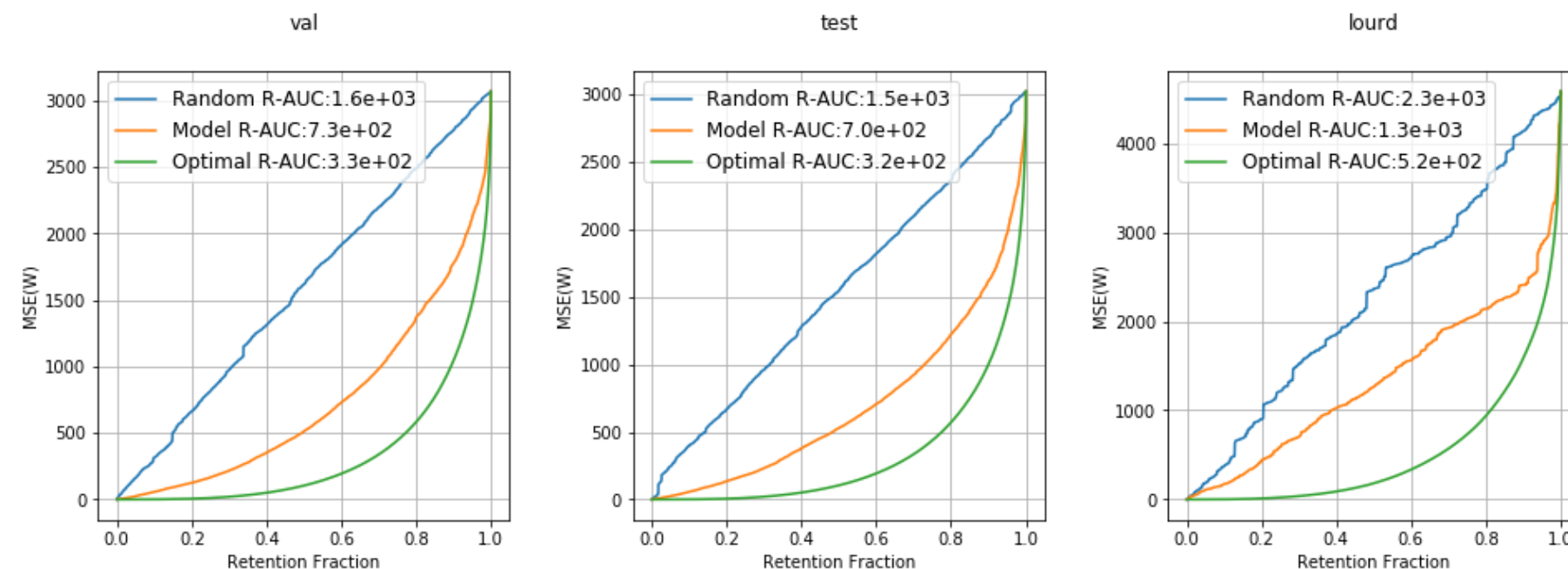
## Deep Learning Model : Deep ensemble of ProbMCdropoutDNN models

From 1 input  $\rightarrow$  400  
inferences to compute mean and std

20 models in the ensemble  
X 20 (sampling of by MC dropout model)



Evaluation :  
the retention curve



# Future works

## **DATA QUALITY**

- **Representativeness and completeness**

## **MODEL QUALITY**

- **Quantification of generalization bounds (operating domain definition)**
- **Certification of Robustness/stability (by formal methods)**



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