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# Temporal and Spatial Data Analysis with Applications

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# Brief Biography

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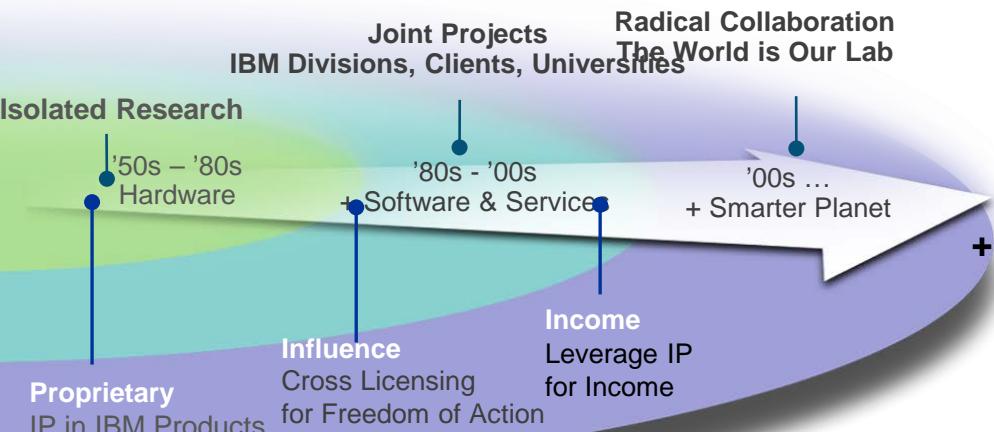


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- ▶ Postdoctoral Researcher at IBM Research
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# IBM Research Overview

## Famous for its science and vital to IBM



# The IBM Research – Australia Lab



- ▶ **IBM Research - Australia** is located  
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- ▶ **Internship program:**  
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# Outline

- What is Data Mining?
- What is Spatial and Temporal Data Mining?
- Diagnosis of Phenomena
- Driver Distraction Detection
- Disaster Management
  - Bushfire risk prediction
  - Fire Fighting Appliance Pre-Deployment (Demo)
  - Evacuation planner (Demo)
- Summary

# What is Data Mining?

- The practice of examining large pre-existing databases in order to generate new information.
  - Examples? Features?



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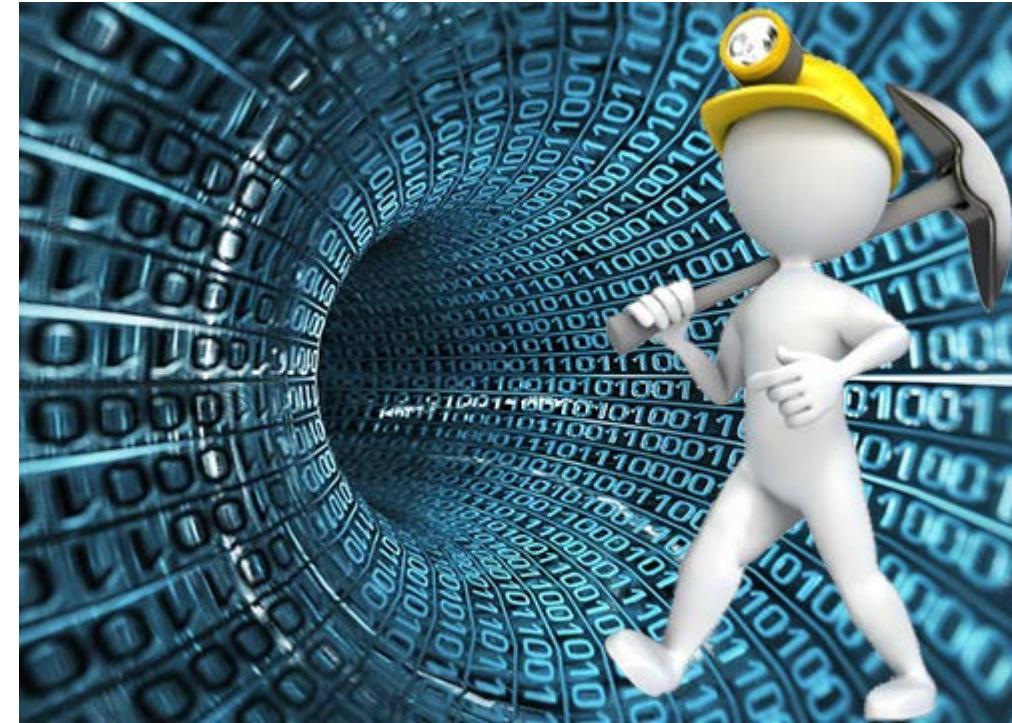


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# What is the Internet of Things (IoT)?

- Interconnection of uniquely identifiable and interoperable objects (e.g. Sensors, Mobile Phones) with Cloud Computing via the Internet backbone.

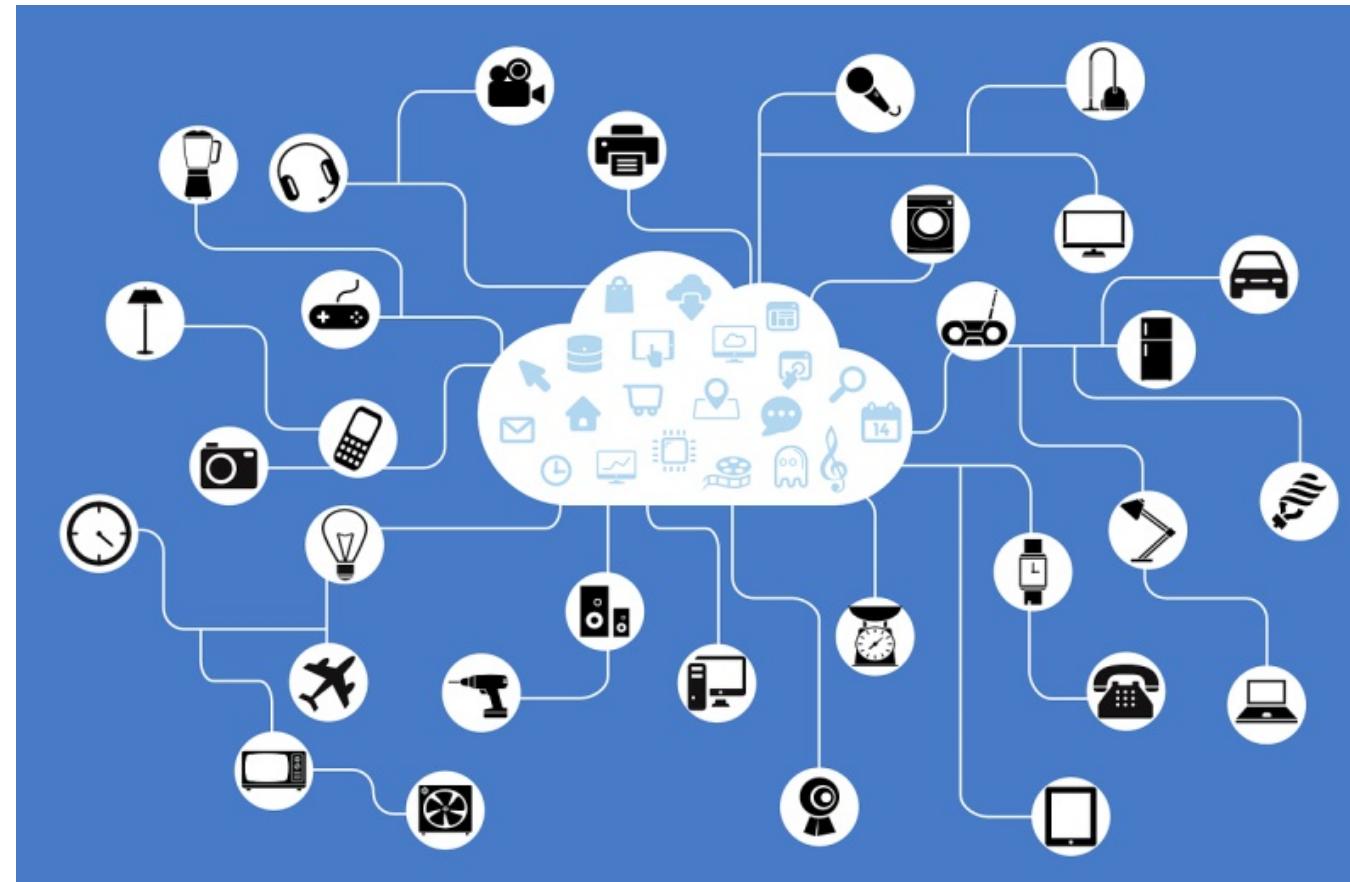


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# Different Data Types

- Spatial data (also known as geospatial data):
  - is information about a physical object that can be represented by numerical values in a geographic coordinate system.
- Temporal data:
  - is data that varies over time.
- Spatio-Temporal data:
  - is the integration of space and time. Multidimensional data like points, line segments, regions, polygons, volumes, or other kinds of geometric entities that vary in the course of time.

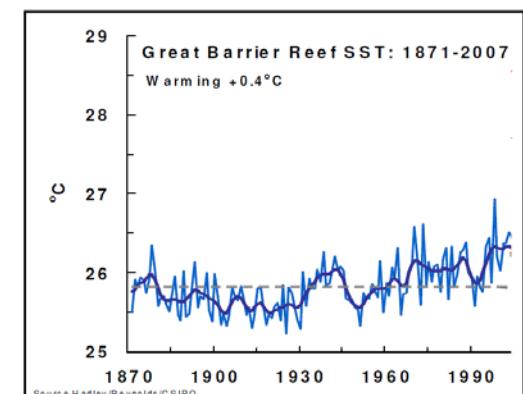
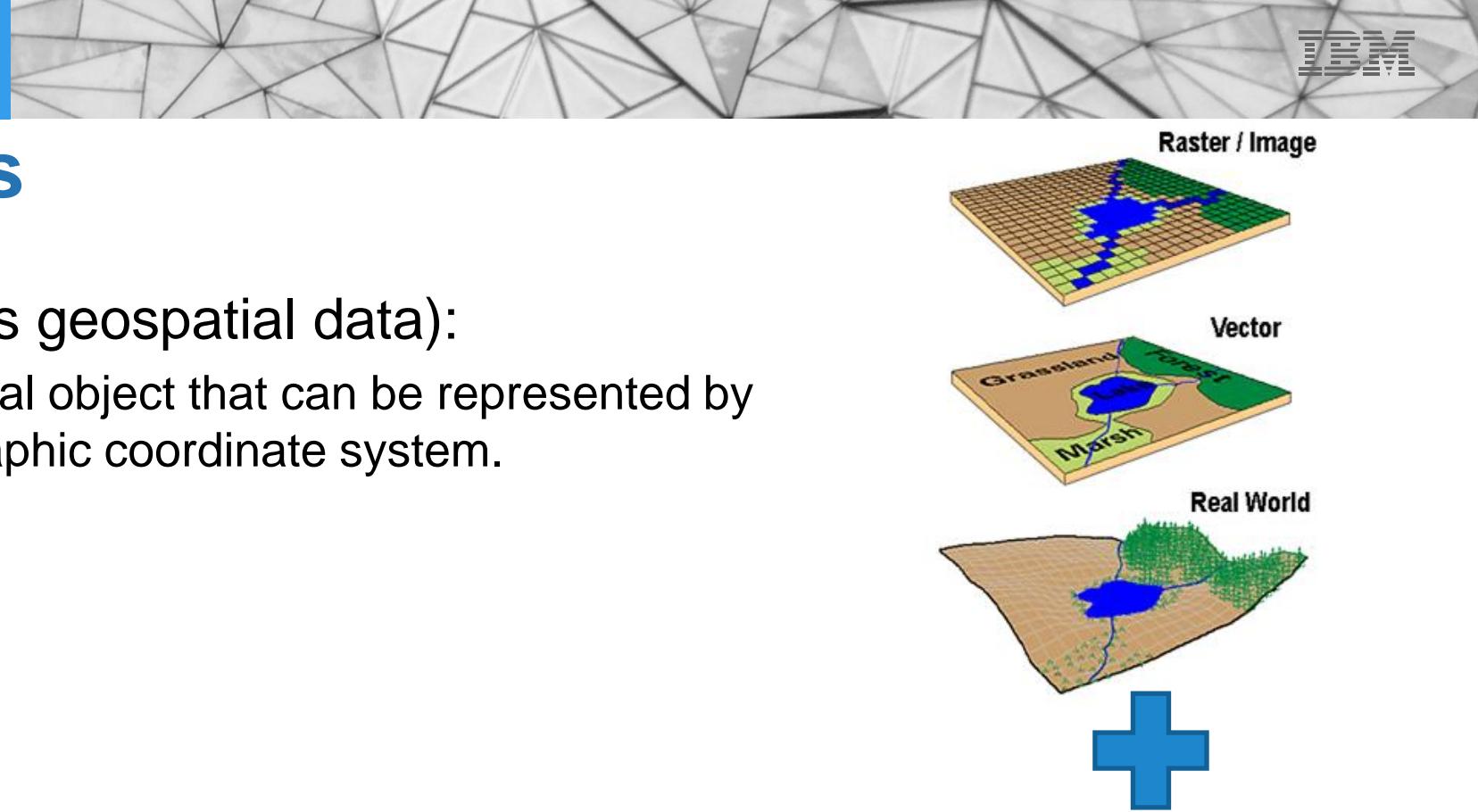


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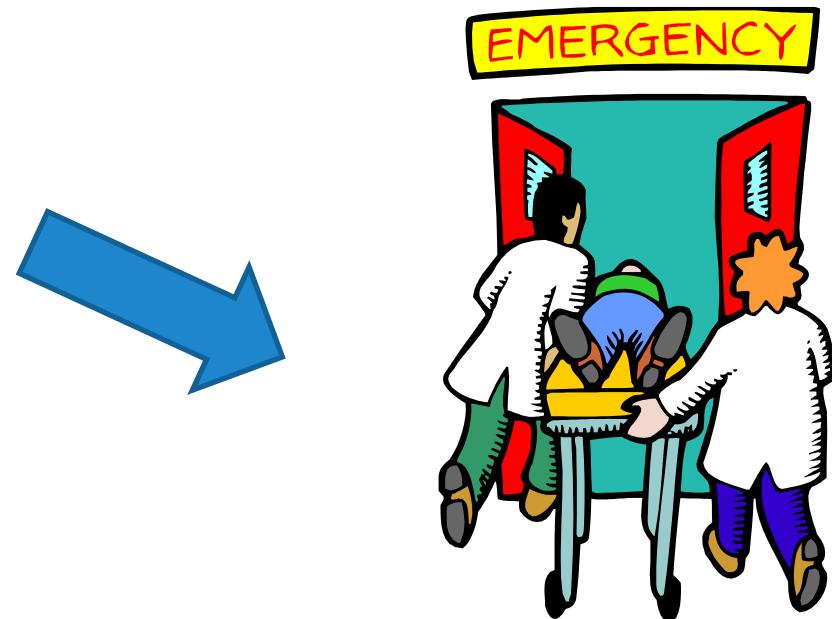
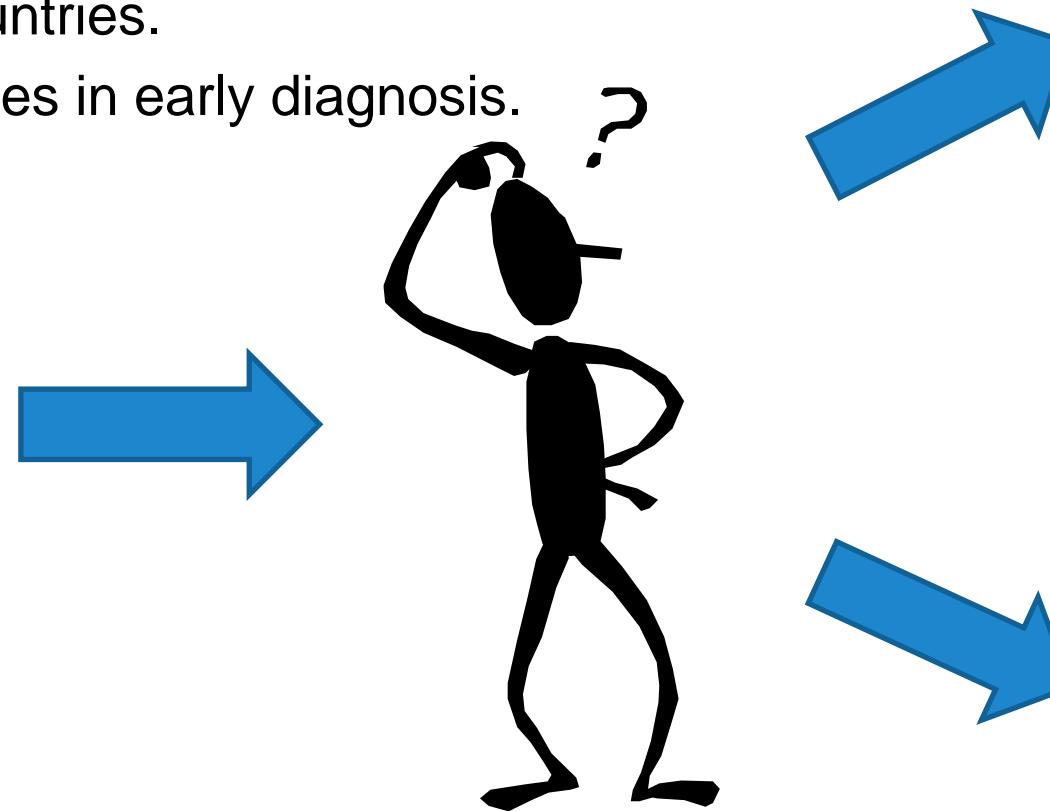
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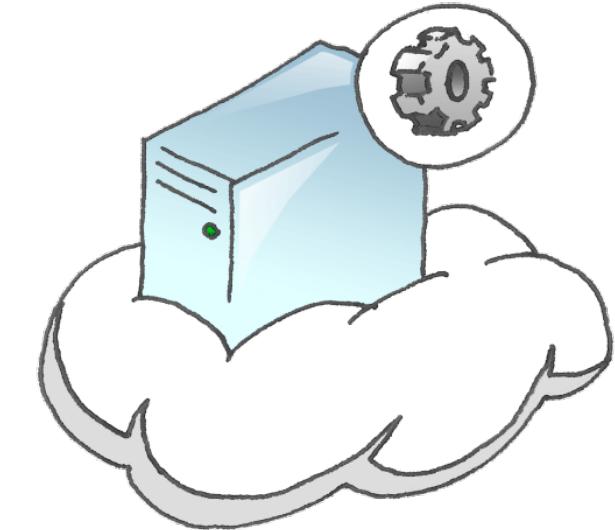
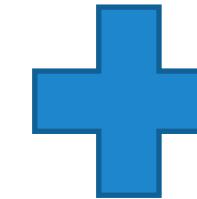
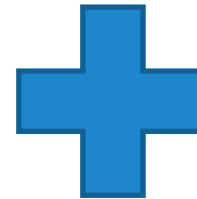
We won the first place in Australia, and were ranked among the top 20 in the world!

# Diagnosing pneumonia is difficult

- Pneumonia is the single biggest killer of children.
- It kills 1.5 million children under 5 per year, mostly in developing countries.
- The key to change this lies in early diagnosis.

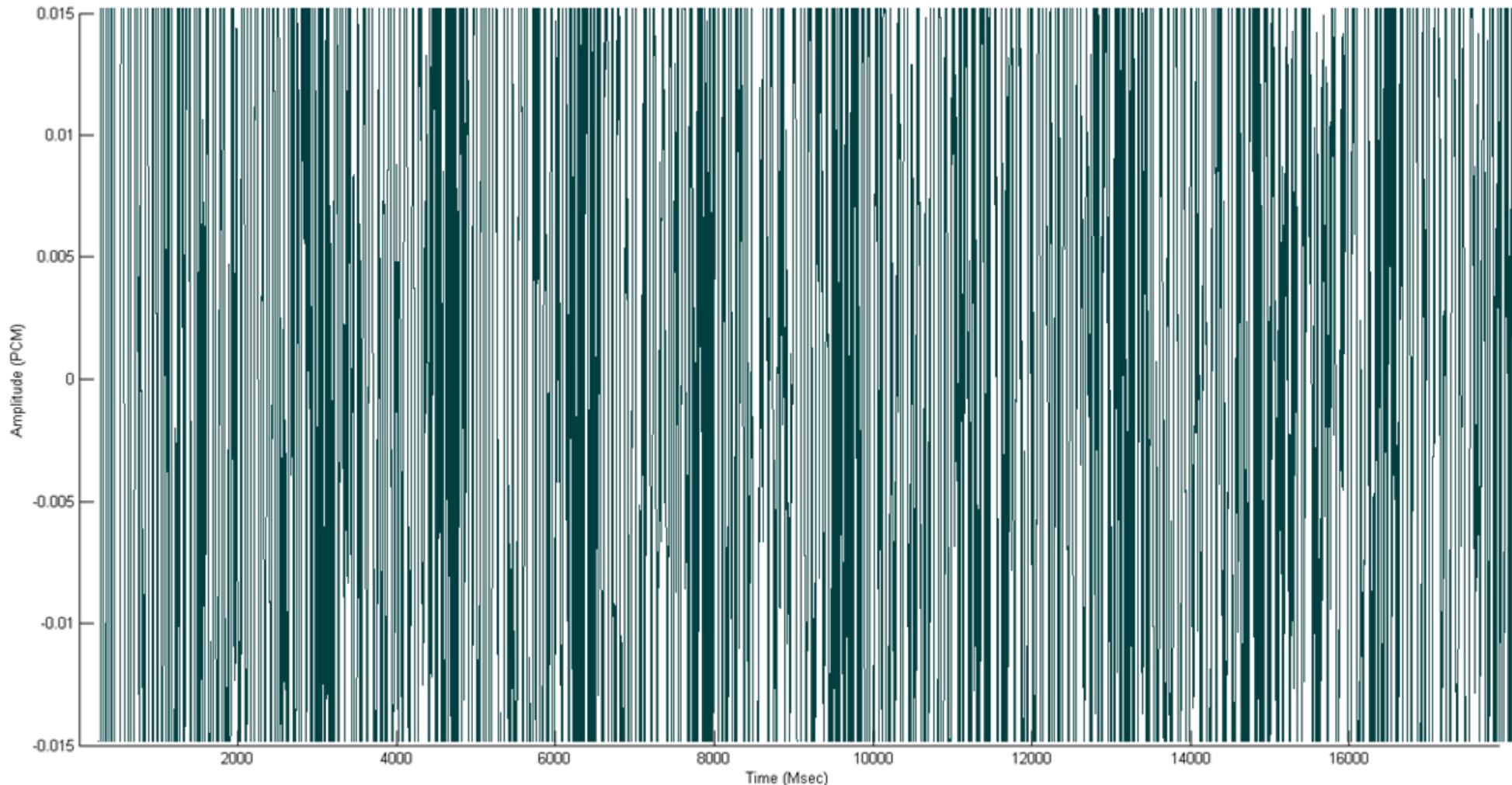


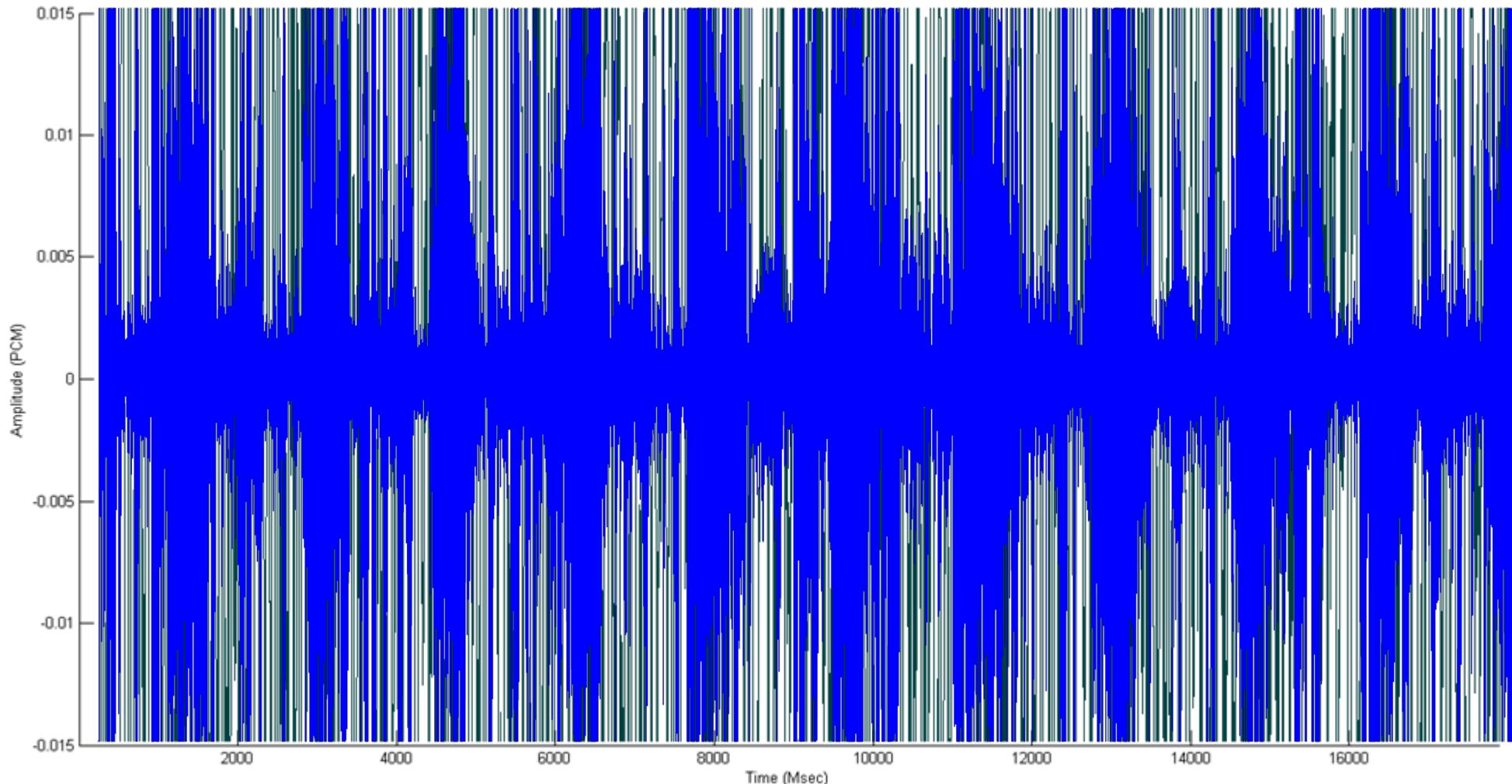
# Our IoT based solution: StethoCloud

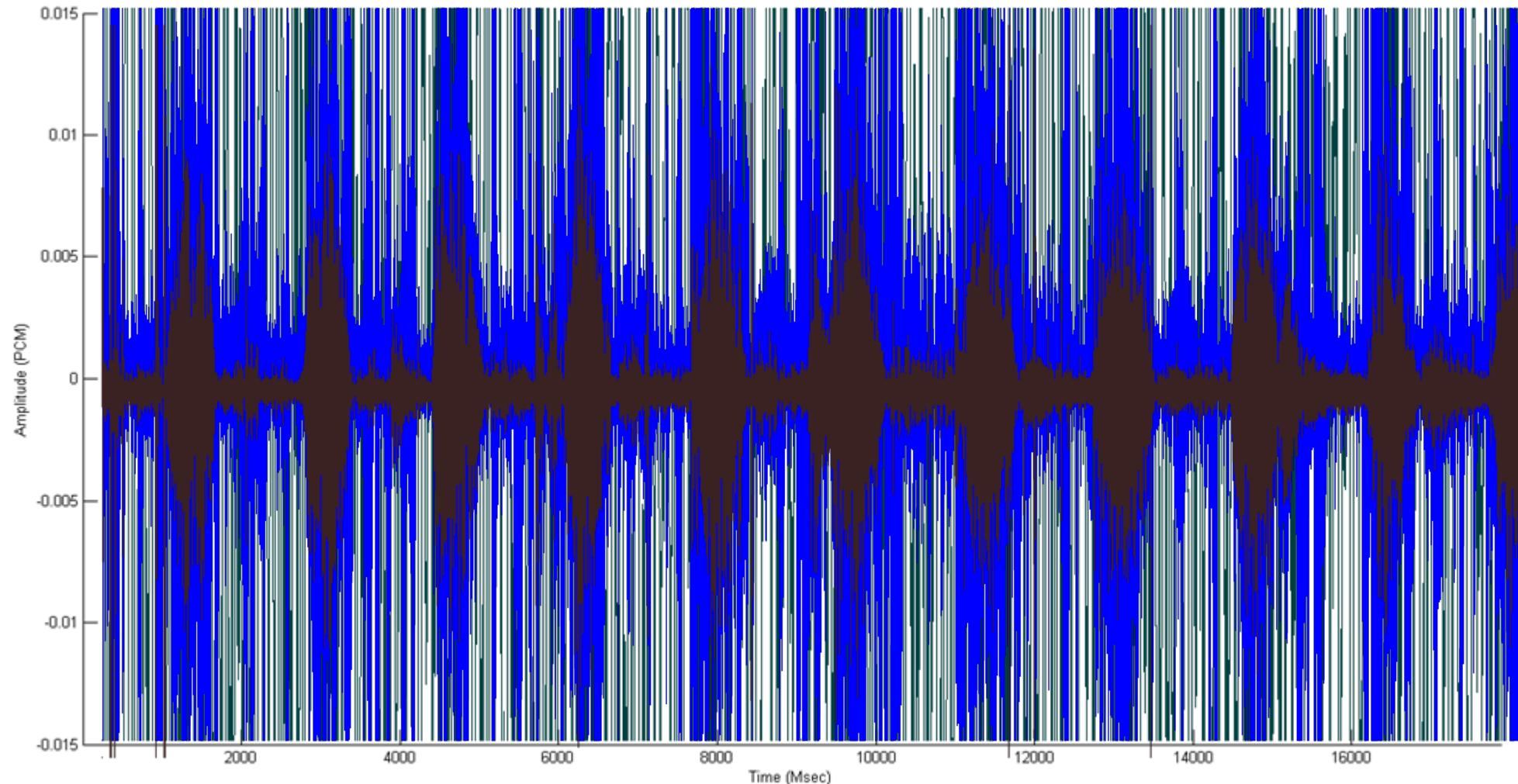


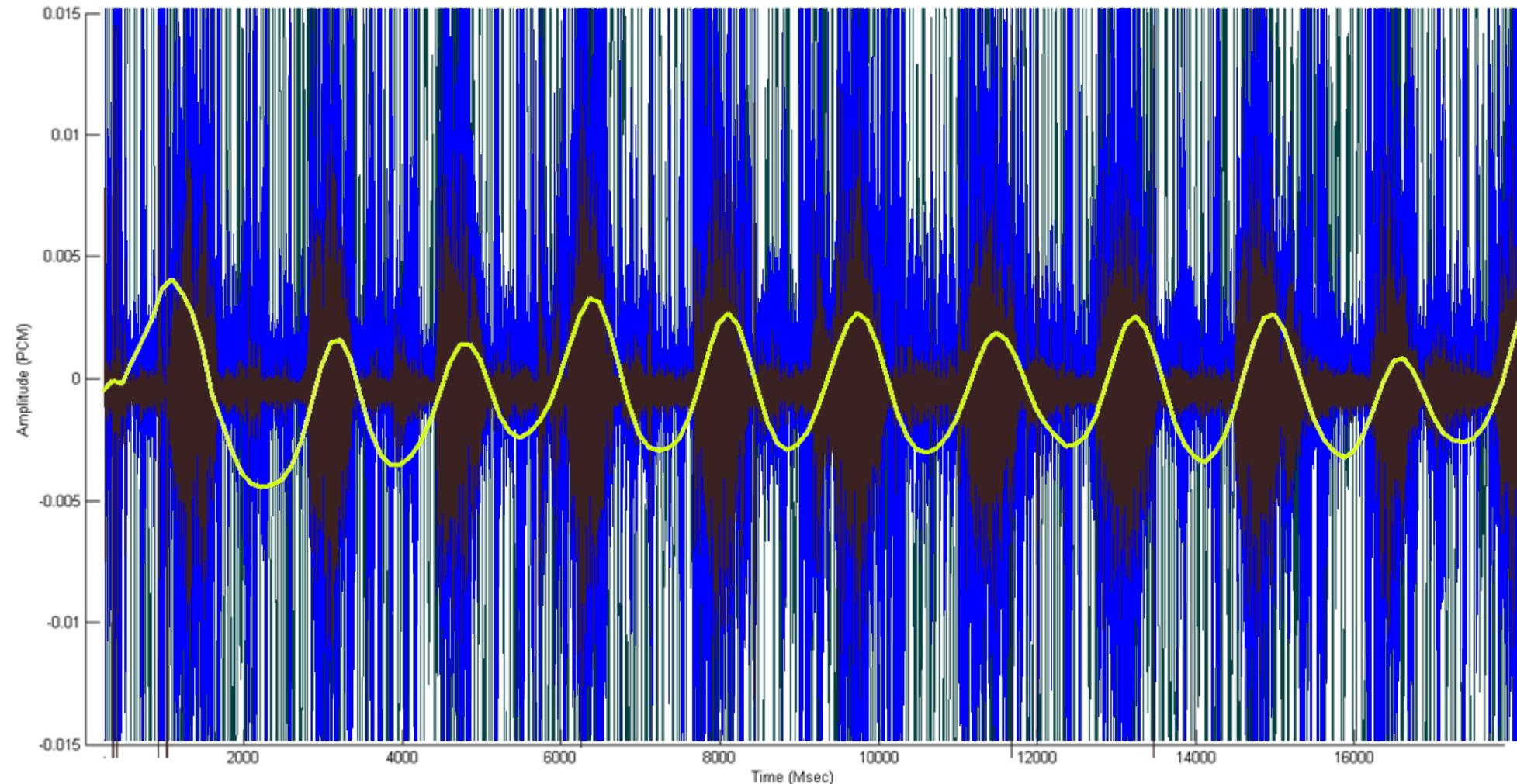
Respiratory Data is collected from six different locations

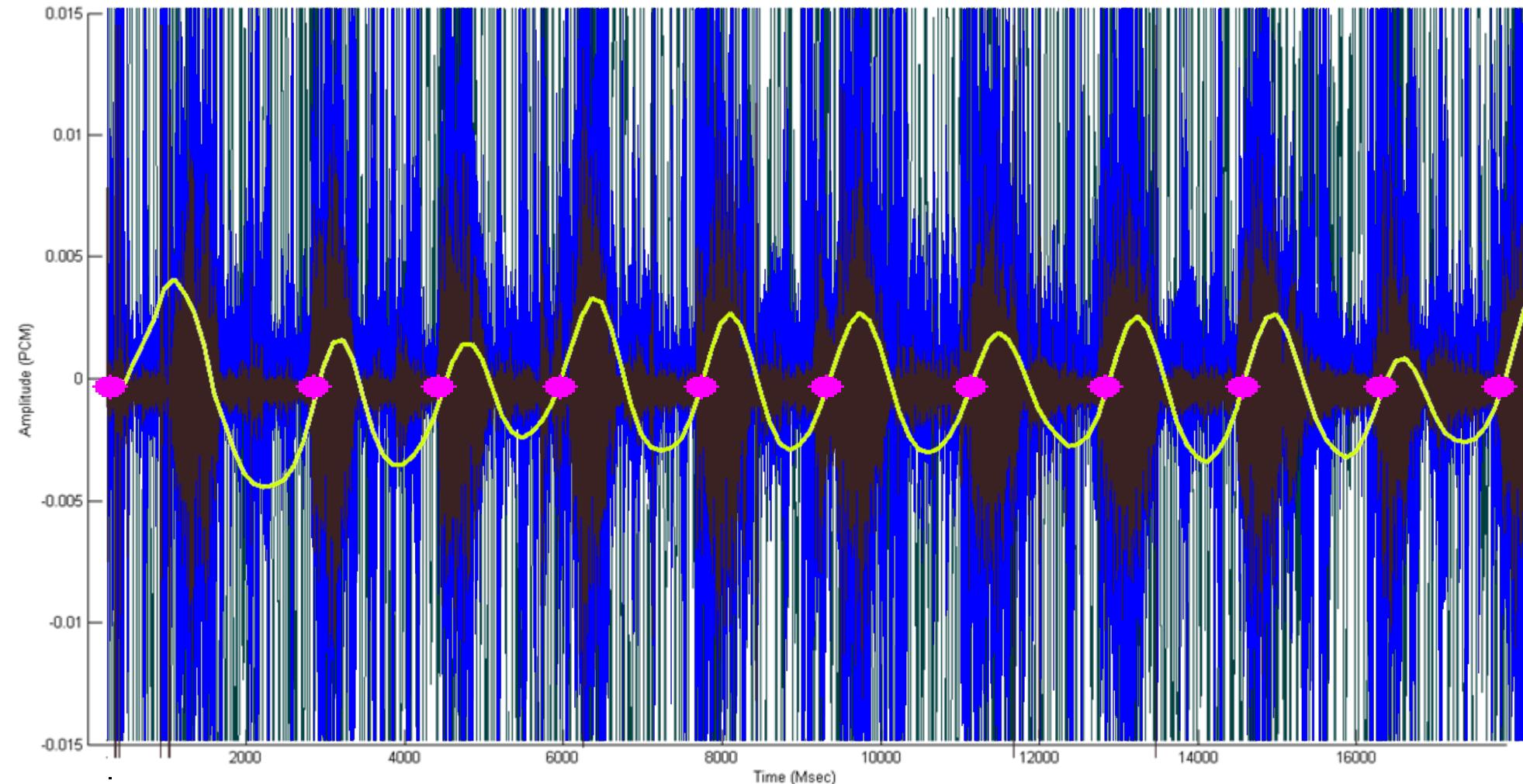






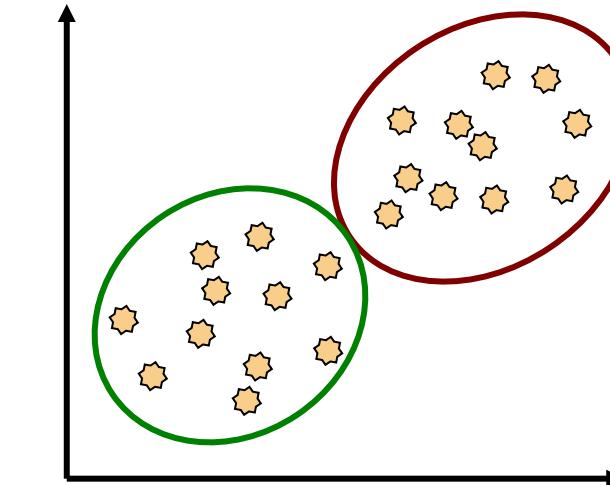
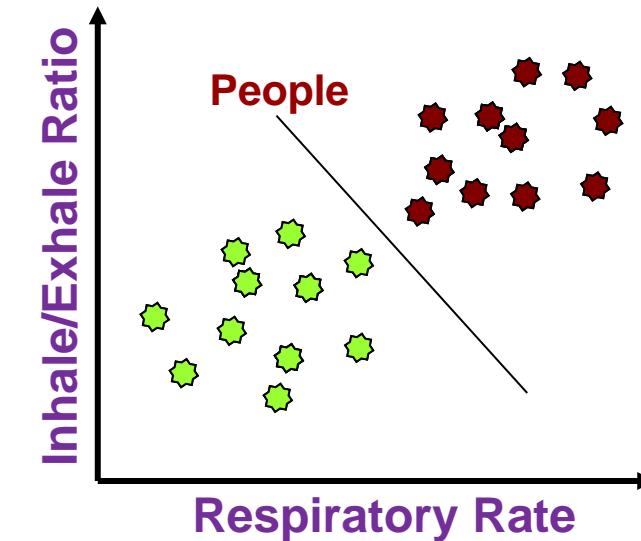






# Classification and Clustering

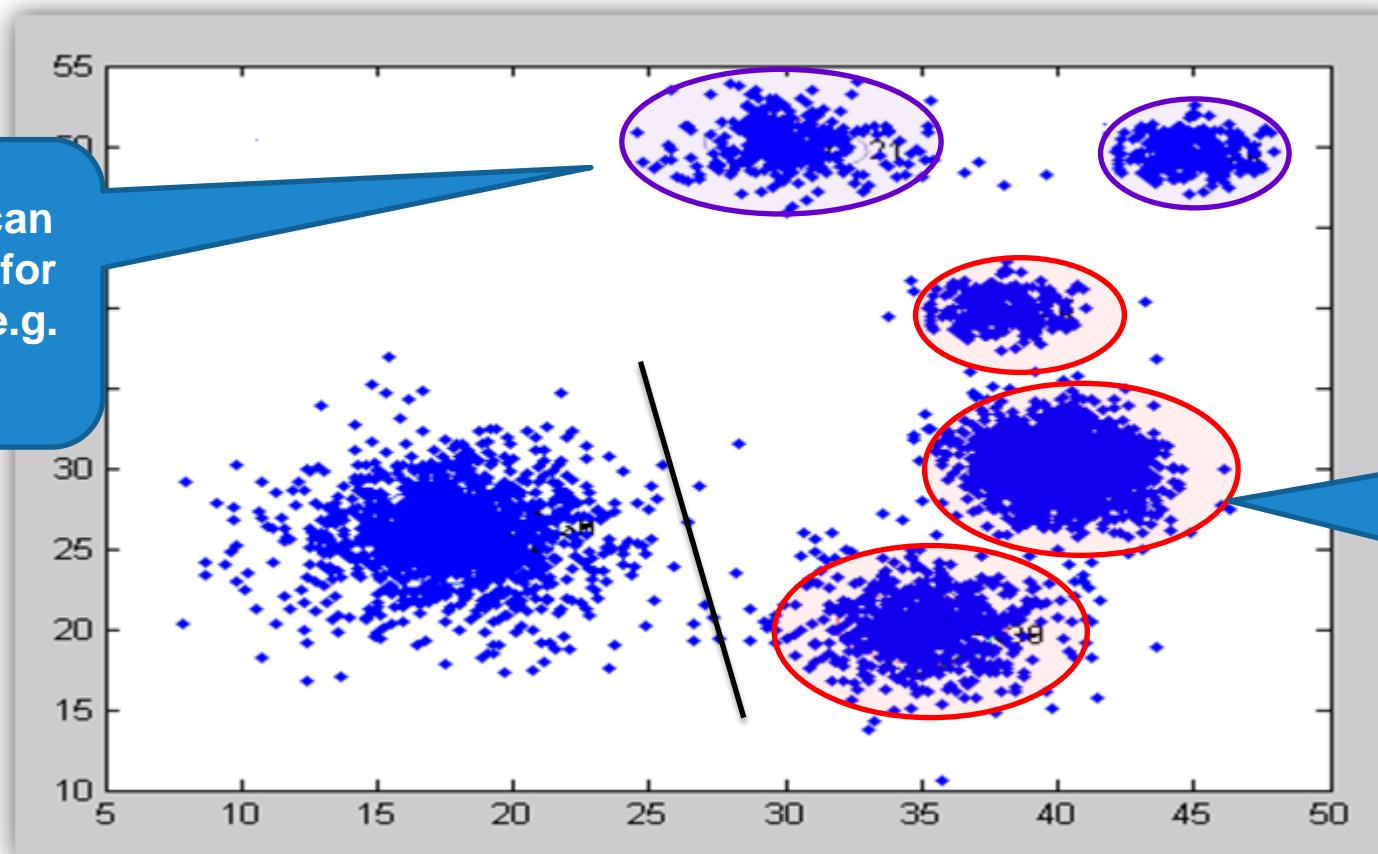
- Objects characterized by one or more features
- Classification
  - Have labels for some points
  - Want a “rule” that will accurately assign labels to new points
  - Supervised learning
- Clustering
  - No labels
  - Group points into clusters based on how “near” they are to one another
  - Identify structure in data
  - Unsupervised learning



# This is what the data might look like

## Other Diseases

This technique can directly be used for other diseases, e.g. asthma



Clustering

Possible patterns emerging with more data, e.g., different subtypes

Normal Subject

Classification

Pneumonia

## Application 2: Car-Racing Driver Distraction Detection



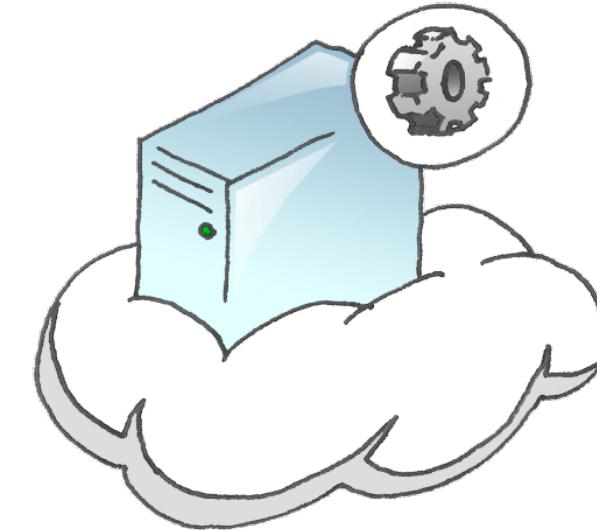
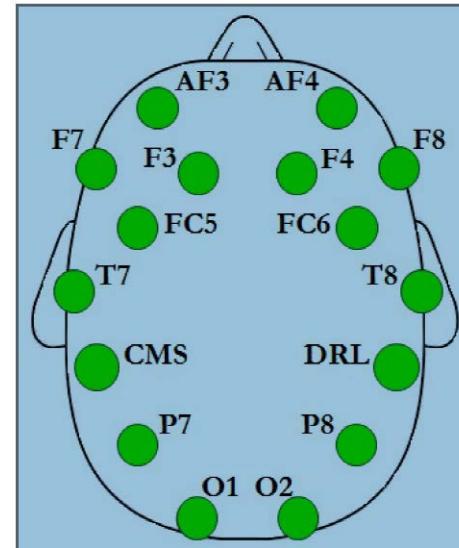
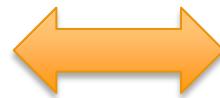
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# Why is it important?

- Monitoring driver attention has a direct effect on decreasing injury/fatality rates, and improving his performance.
- In **car racing** environments reaction times are short, and distraction leads to a reduction in driver's performance during a race.



# Our solution: Brain Computer Interface (BCI) Approach



Emotiv EPOC headset

14 Brain EEG Signals  
+ Gyroscope

# Experimental Setup

- Simulation



- Talking to passenger
- Mobile call, Recording call
- Solving simple mental arithmetic challenges placed on the road, assessed by the driving through the chosen answer from a range of alternatives on screen

# EEG data analysis

- Classification
  - Random forest has best results
  - 73.5% detection accuracy with EEG
  - 81% detection accuracy with EEG + Gyroscope

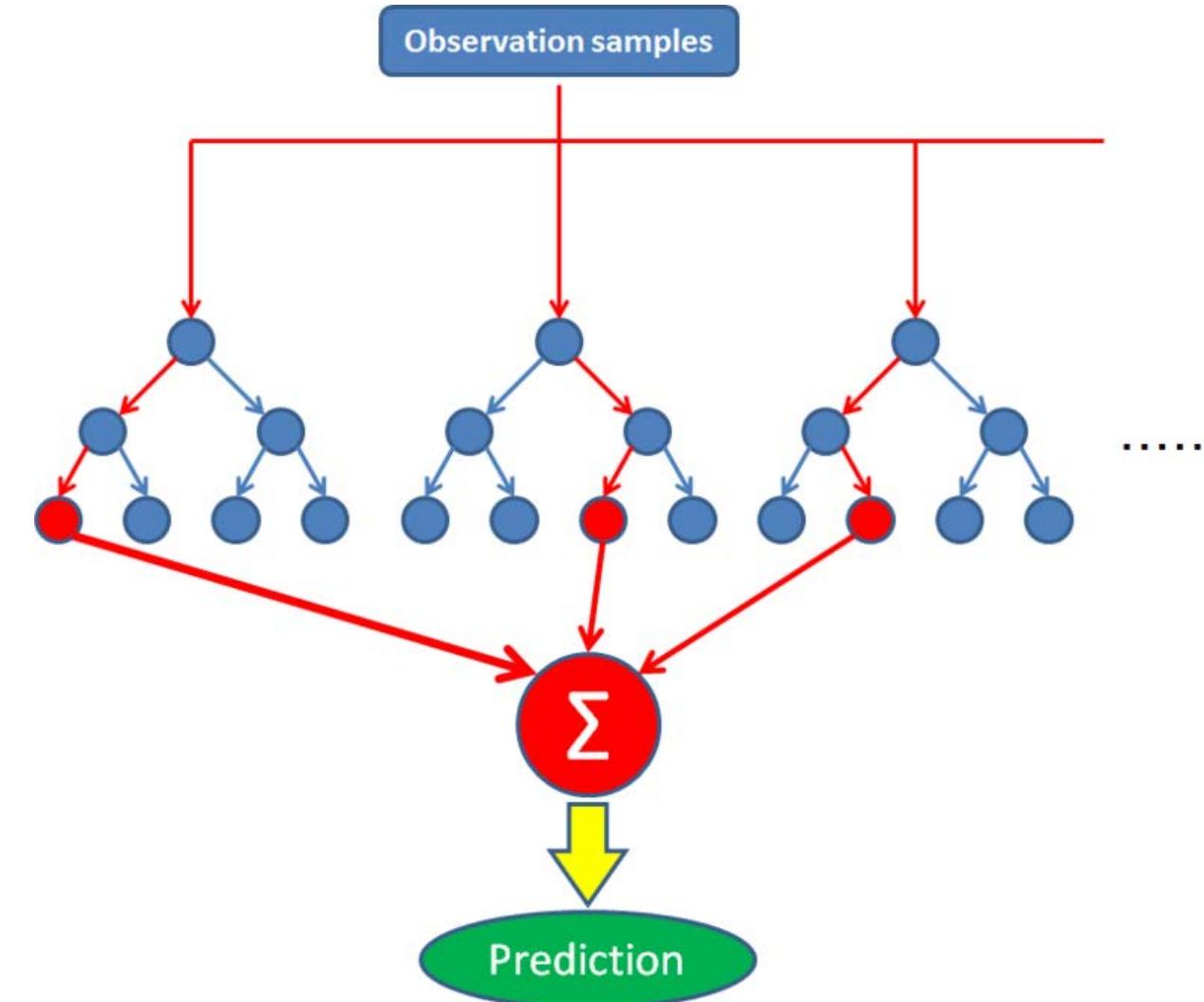


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## Application 3: Disaster Management

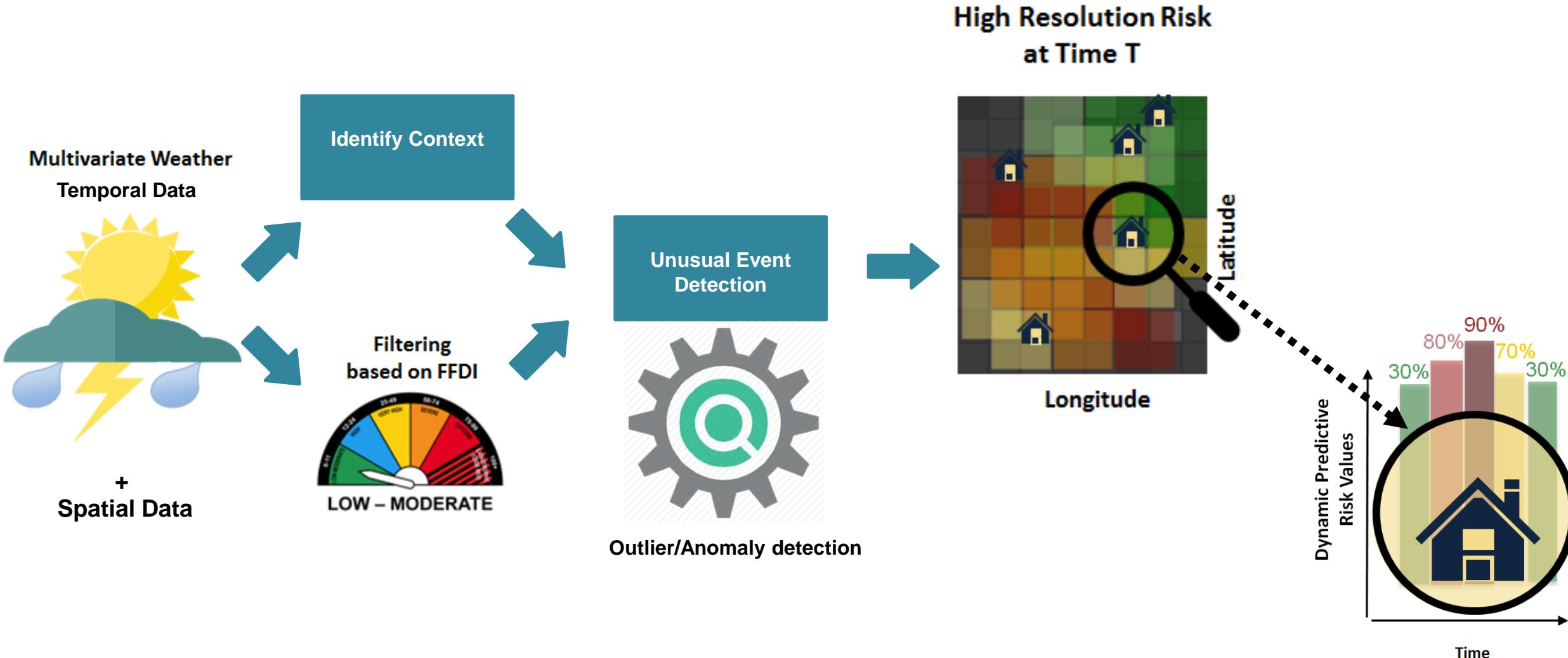


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# Why bushfires?

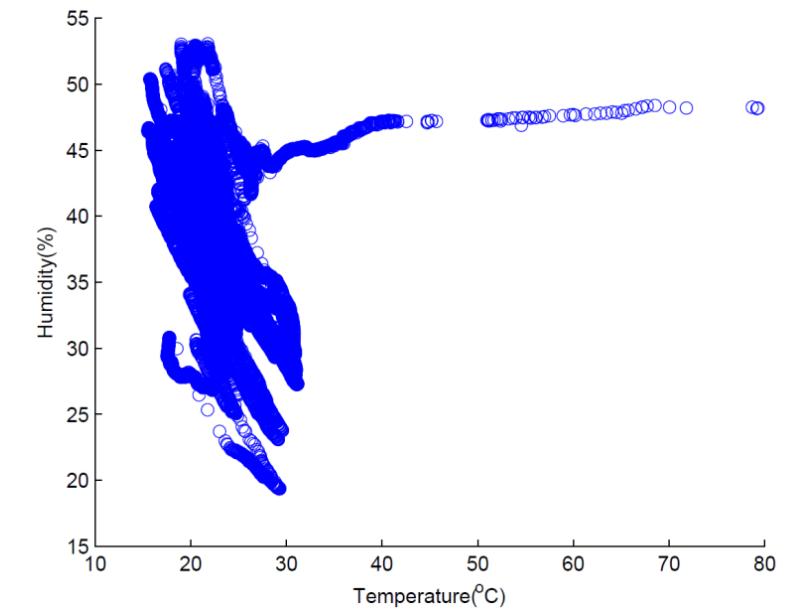
- Bushfires have shaped the Australian landscape for many years. With urban expansion and changing weather patterns the threat to homes and families is increasing.
- Australia experiences bushfires as the most damaging disasters.
- Examples:
  - Ash Wednesday bushfires 1983
  - Black Saturday 2009
- Ability to ***predict*** the risk of bushfires is crucial in helping emergency services in their decision-making processes, to mitigate and reduce the impact of such events.

# Dynamic bushfire risk prediction



# Anomaly/Outlier Detection

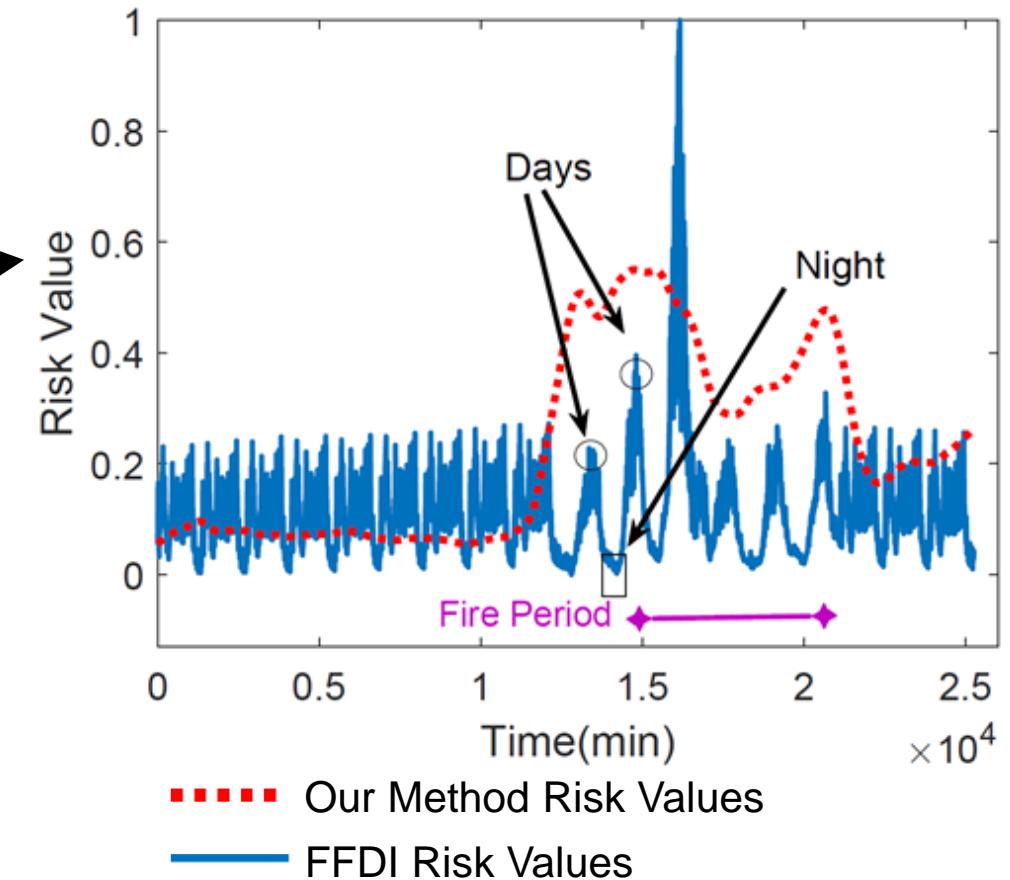
- ▶ Anomaly: data points that are inconsistent to the normal data points
- ▶ Anomaly detection: the process of finding anomalous patterns in data sets
- ▶ In this application, anomalies are relevant to the episodes of time with **high bushfire risk**



# Case study- 2013 Blue Mountains Fire, NSW

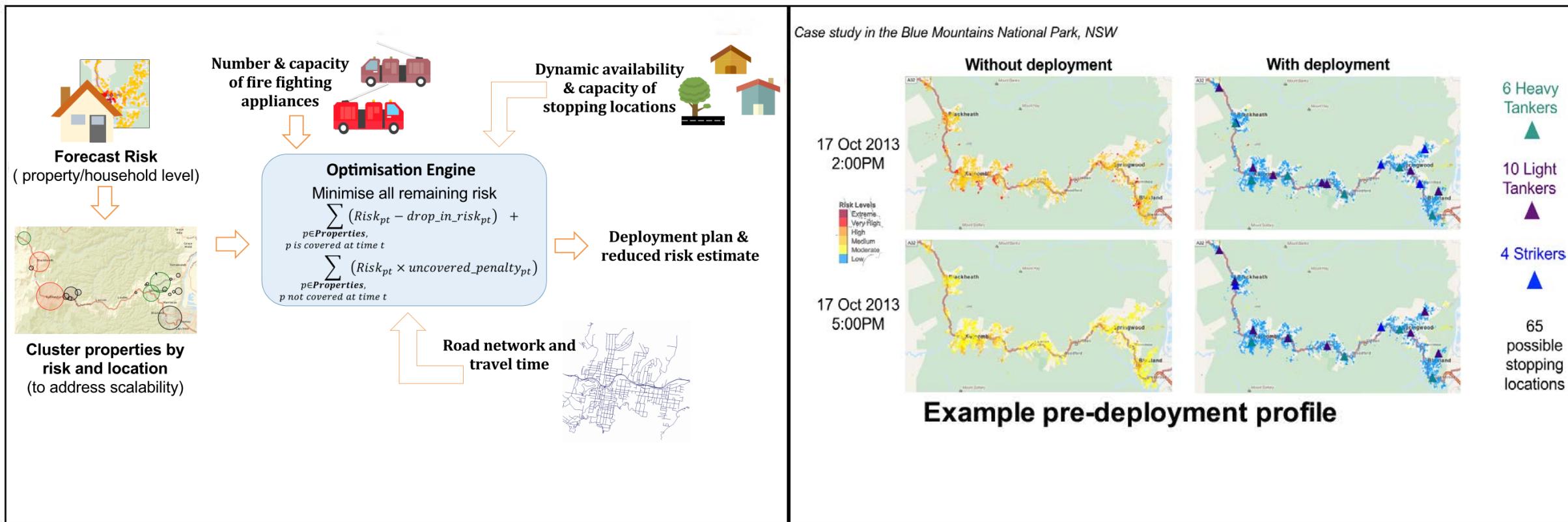
- Why Blue Mountains?
  - 11 days of intense bushfires
  - 2 fatalities
  - 248 houses destroyed
  - 183.4M AUD in insurance claims
- Data Available
  - ~ 45 thousands houses
  - historical weather measurement

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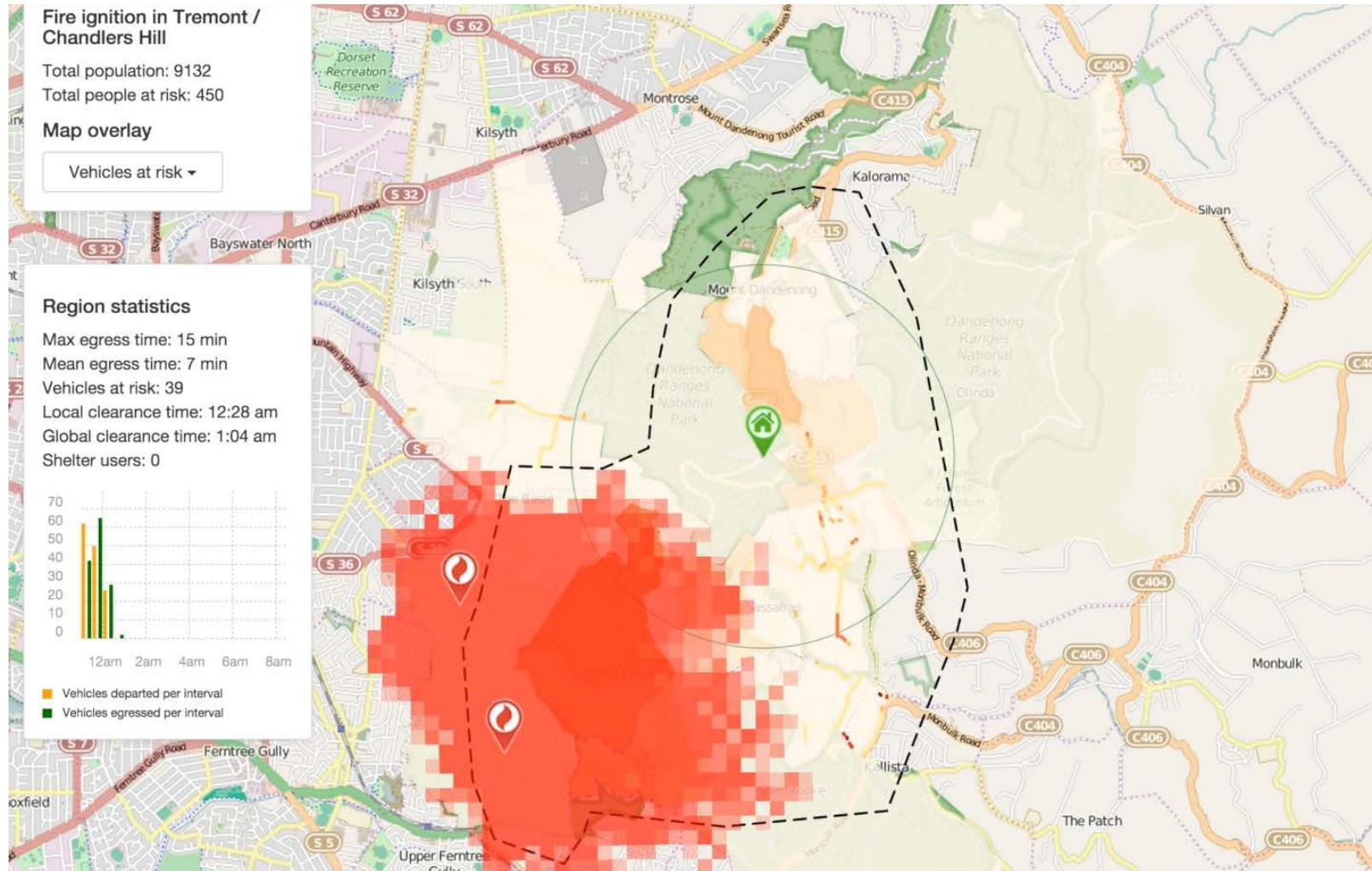
# Fire Fighting Appliance Pre-Deployment

- Optimise locations of available fire fighting resources subject to **forecast risk** and roadside **stopping locations** with **time dependent availability**.

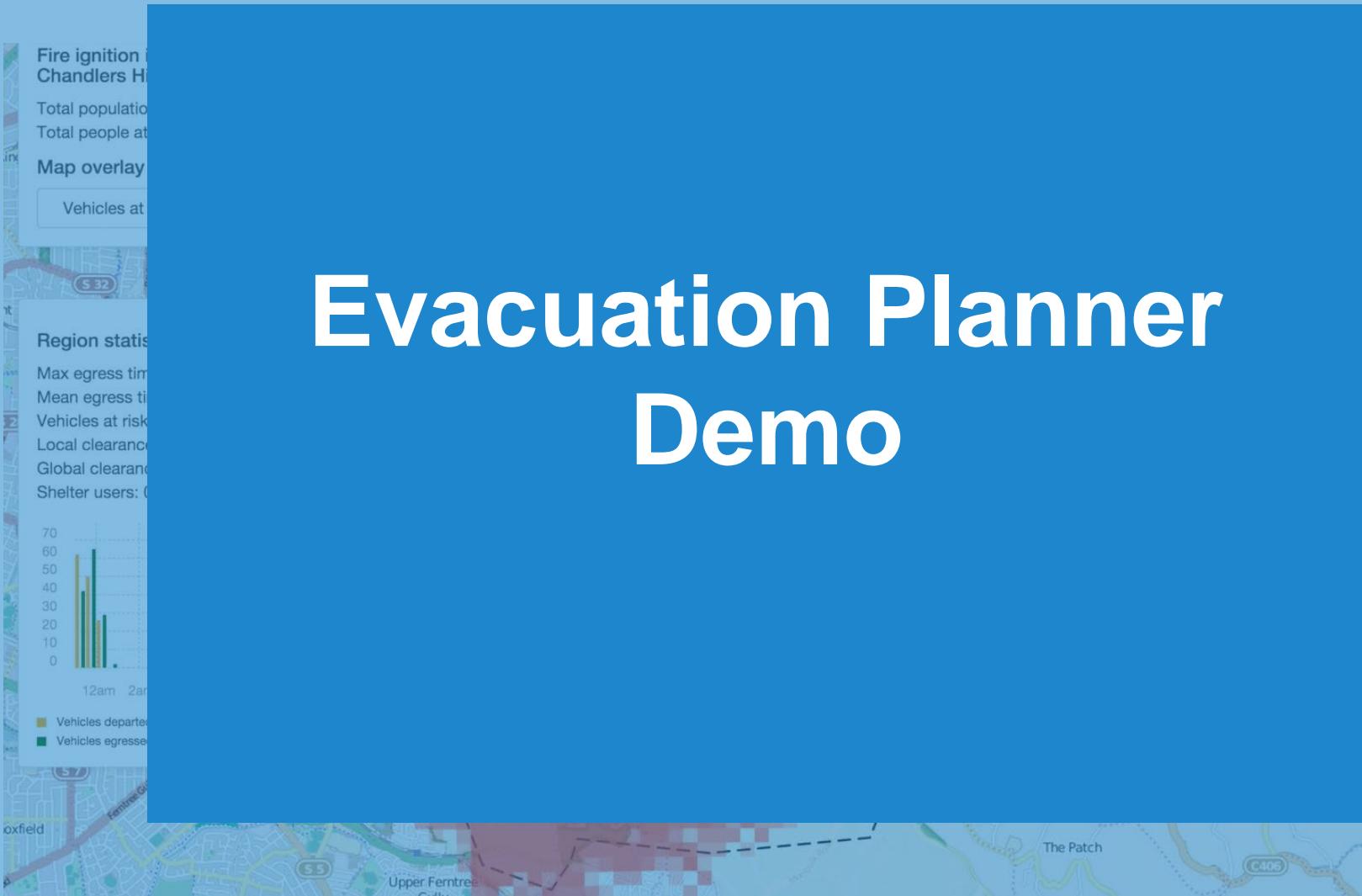


# Evacuation Planner

- Spatio-Temporal fire expansion



# Evacuation Planner



# Summary

- Data types:
  - Spatial data
  - Temporal data
  - Spatio-temporal data
- Data mining techniques
  - Classification
  - Clustering
  - Anomaly/outlier detection
- Applications:
  - Diagnosis of pneumonia
  - Car racing driver distraction detection
  - Bushfire risk prediction, fire-fighting and evacuation planner

# Thank you!