

ABOUT ME

Data enthusiast | Life-long learner

Optimization & Machine Learning | Ecommerce | Supply Chain

Who am I?



Ivy is a Data Scientist at Pitney Bowes with more than 3 years of experience in optimization and machine learning. She is currently leading the optimization initiatives using data science techniques to help solve some of the toughest challenges for the company's logistics service sector, including reducing operating costs, improving delivery cycle time, and enhancing visibility into parcel journey and parcel profile.

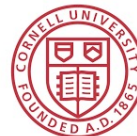
She has a track record of uncovering hidden patterns from her data science work, continuously delivering actionable insights and strategies to stakeholders, and streamlining data informing processes, such as building dashboards, developing self-service data applications and deploying them using cloud service.

Ivy is a quick learner, a curious person, and always passionate about using data science skills to uncover business insights. With her solid background in Operations Research and years of working experience in applying advanced analytics to solve challenging problems, she is absolutely a valuable asset to any organization.

Here is her GitHub repository attached: <https://github.com/yj333?tab=repositories>

P.S. Ivy loves skiing, cooking and traveling during her leisure time.

Master's Degree in Operations Research (2016-2017), Cornell University



Bachelor's Degree in Chemical Engineering (2012-2016), Georgia Institute of Technology

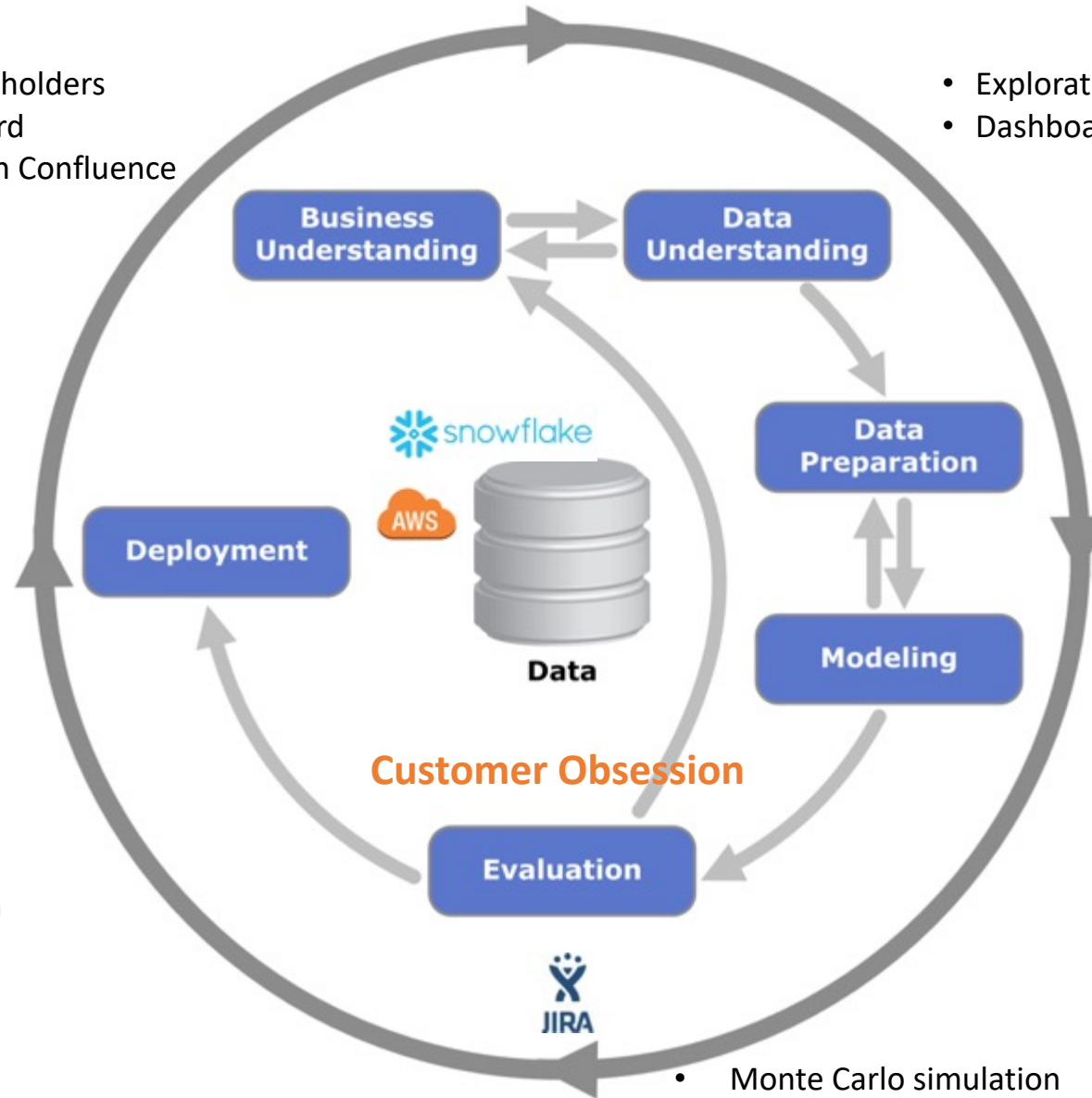


Overview of my specialties

- Weekly meeting with stakeholders
- Brainstorm on MURAL board
- Document requirements on Confluence



- Productionize models on Elastic Beanstalk
- Send real-time notifications to Microsoft Teams channel



- Exploratory data analysis
- Dashboard



- Data processing
- Feature engineering



- Linear programming/Mixed integer programming
- Linear regression
- Random Forest
- XGBoost
- Clustering
- Time series forecasting
- Image identification

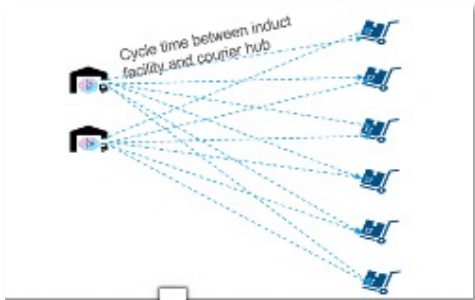


- Monte Carlo simulation
- Sensitivity analysis
- Before-and-after scenario

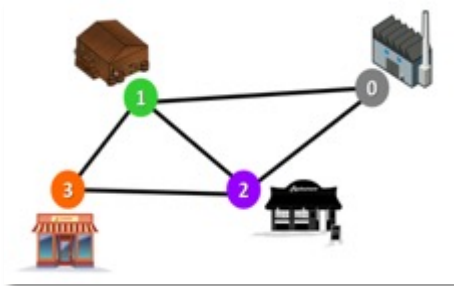
Highlights of my past projects



West Coast Network Design

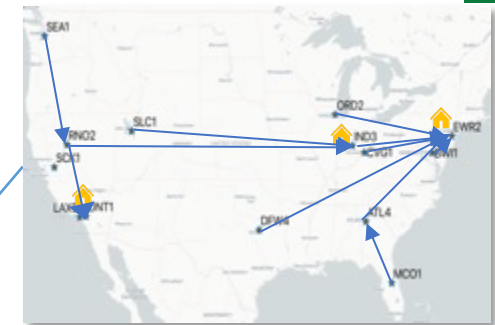


Facility-Region Assignment



Shortest Path

Self-service

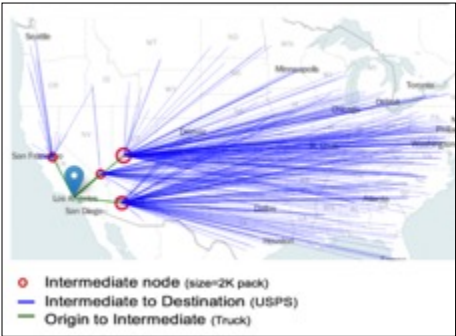


Self-service



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Shift Scheduler App



Cornell University Student Projects – project advisor



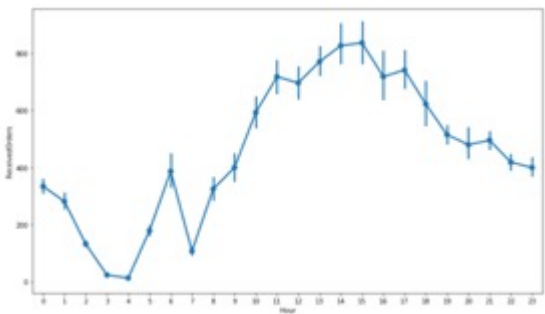
Transportation/Facility Operations



Global Inbound Optimization

Workforce optimization – Shift scheduling model

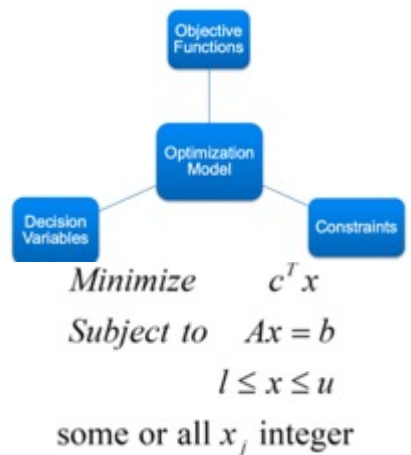
1. Received orders by hour (from simulation or forecasts)



2. Potential shift schedules
3. Orders processing rate



Mixed integer programming

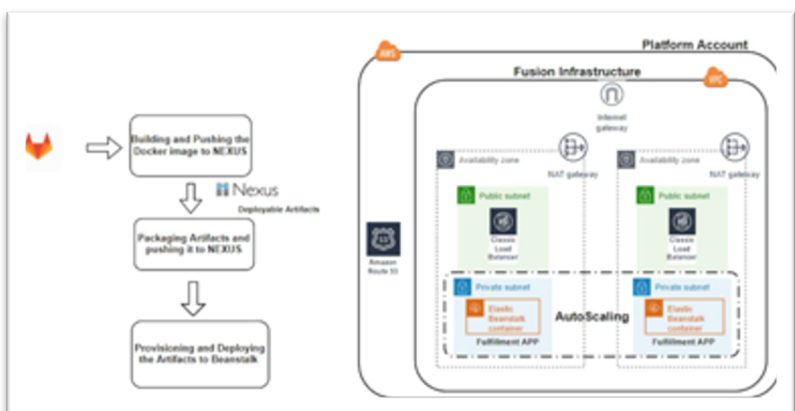
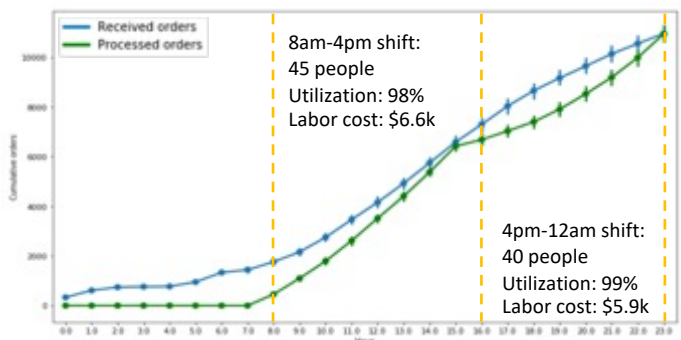


Goal: minimize rollovers and labor cost

Constraints:

- Workstation capacity
- Processing order

1. Headcounts
2. Hourly throughput
3. Cost and utilization



Self-service Data App

Single Day Shift Model

Enter Model Parameters

Shift start time: 7 Shift duration: 8 Headcount: 40

Upload Orders Volume Profile

Upload File

ORDERCOUNT	RECEIVEDDATE	RECEIVEDTIMELOCAL	OL
1	2020-09-01	23	
10	2020-09-01	8	
3	2020-09-01	8	
4	2020-09-01	1	
1	2020-09-01	1	

Execute Model

Run model

Model is solved. Please check the solution file.

Visualize Model Results



Global inbound route optimization



1. Parcels volume distribution by zip code



2. Potential port of entries: JFK, LAX, ATL, ORD

3. Interfacility linehaul cost

4. Interfacility transit time

Mixed integer programming

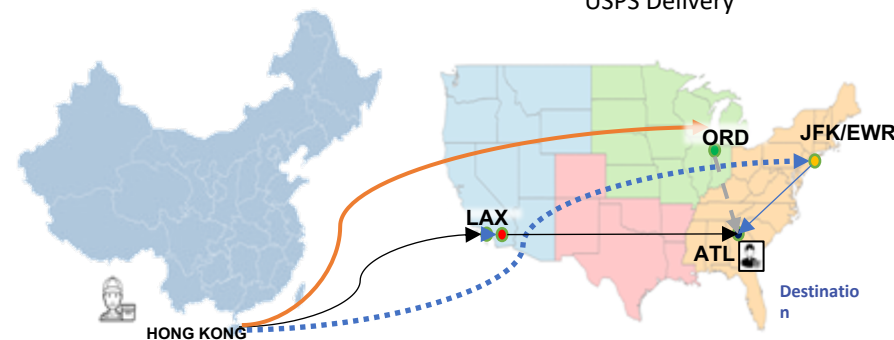
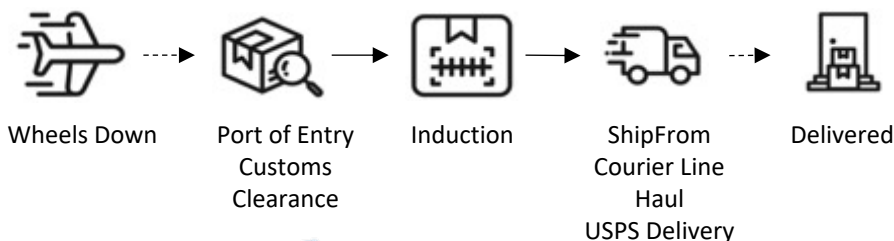


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Goal: minimize transportation and operational cost

Constraints: 90% of parcels delivered with 10 calendar days

Zip-level inbound route decision

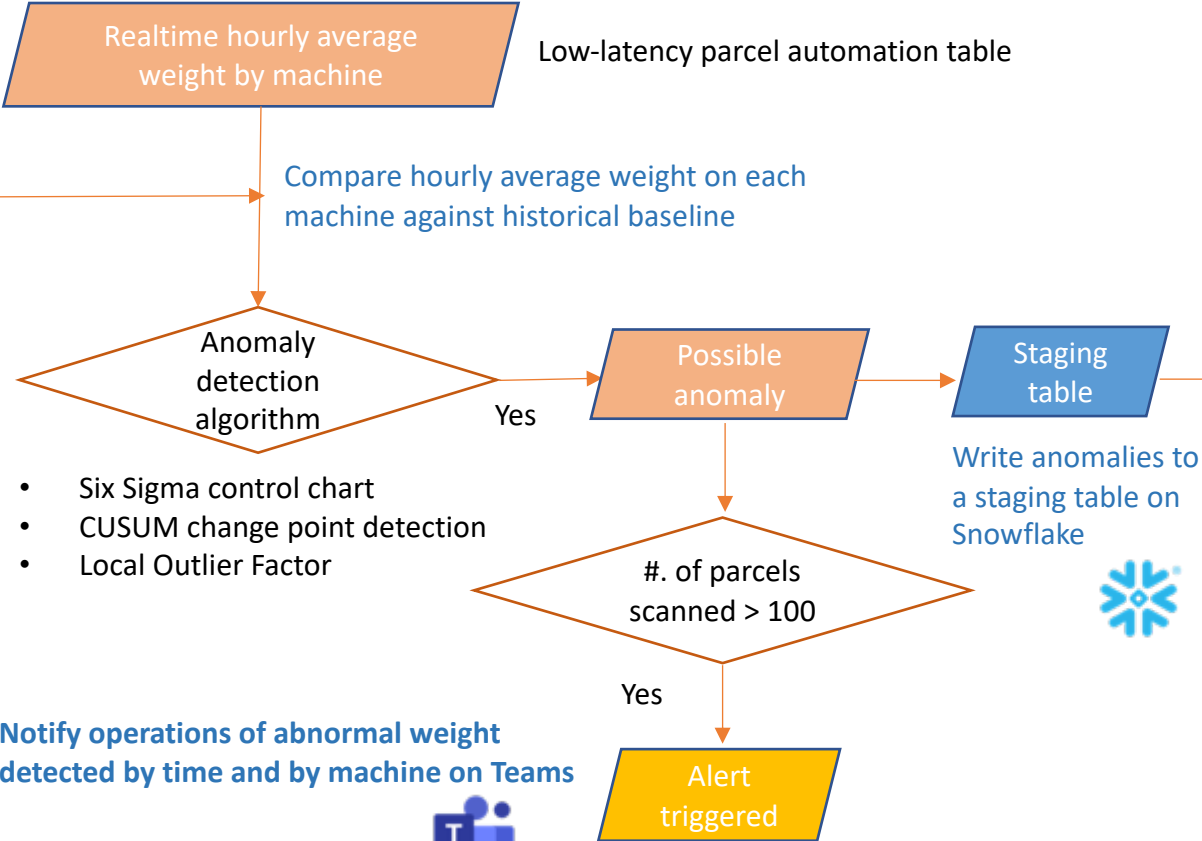


Real-time parcels anomaly detection

Step 1: Historical baseline (Facility-level; past 30-day)

Historical mean and standard deviation of hourly average weight of parcels

Step 2: Real-time monitoring (Machine-level; by hour)



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Anomalies of Hourly Average Weight of Parcels

No possible weight anomalies for Parcel Select are detected.

Possible weight anomalies are detected for Parcel Select Lightweight during these hours on these machines:

at 2021-08-11 01:00, on machine 12: average weight of 2276 parcels is: 121 g

at 2021-08-11 00:00, on machine 12: average weight of 2940 parcels is: 132 g

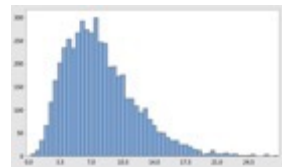
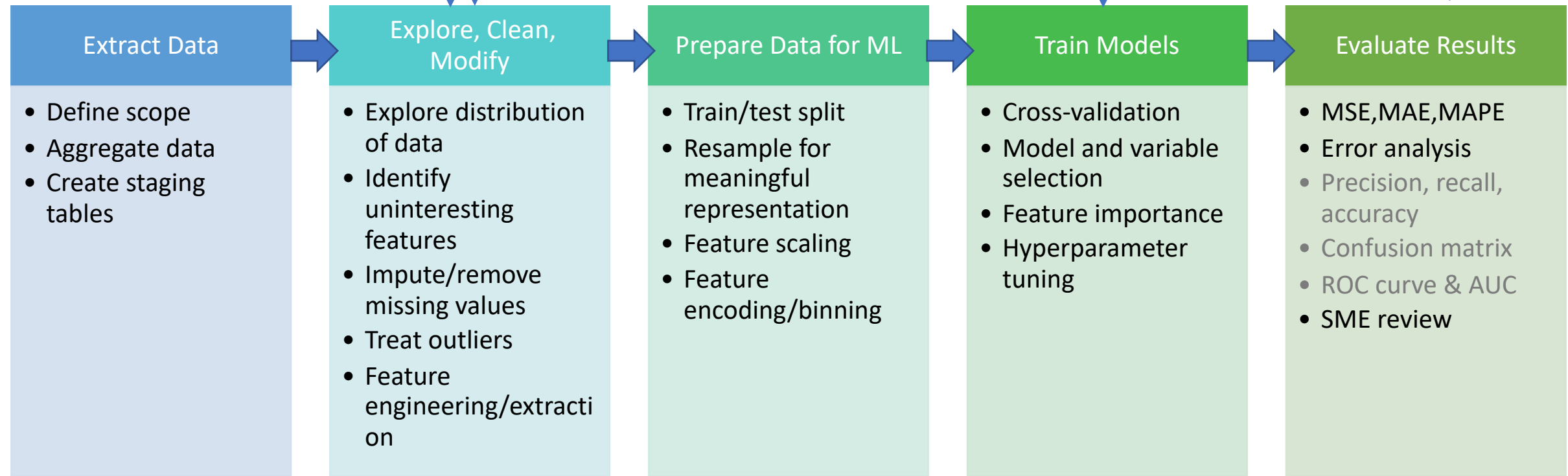
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Step 3: Weekly report (Client-level; by week)

Aggregate the number of parcels by client from the impacted machines in the past week

Client impact

Delivery cycle time prediction



Features:

- Induction facility -> facility throughput
- Destination zip code -> target encoding
- Interfacility route -> facility count
- USPS zone, postal class

Models:

- Linear regression
- SVM
- Random forest
- XGBoost

Metrics:

- MSE/MAE
- % of parcels delivered within +/- 1 day of prediction

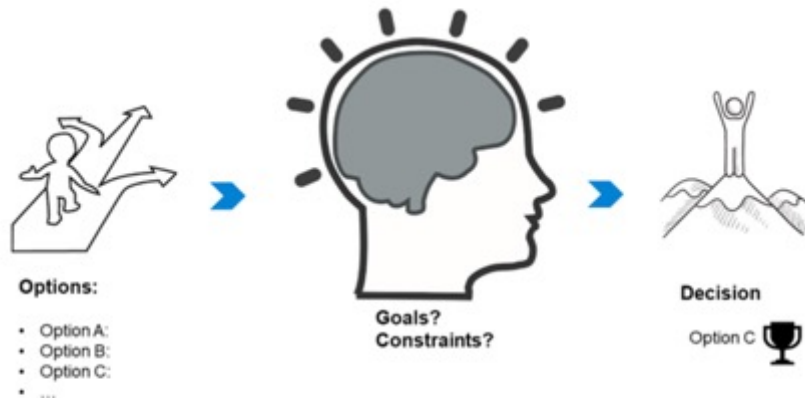
Pitney Bowes Data Science Summit presentation

Optimization Journey at Pitney Bowes

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What is optimization?



Our Data Science team members continue to work with our business units to develop algorithms, simulation models and optimization models, in order to make all aspects of our business more efficient and profitable, and to provide an experience that attracts and retains clients.

You can learn about the innovative work colleagues are doing with data. The Data Science team is educating colleagues through the Data Science Summer Series - a series of Think Thursday presentations focused on Data Science at Pitney Bowes.

On 29 July, Yiling (Ivy) Jiang, Data Scientist presented the **Optimization Journey at Pitney Bowes** to our Think Thursday audience.

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5. What a complete optimization workflow might look like in the future?



The Data Science team has created an application called the Shift Model App that business colleagues can use for labor projections and planning.. The "Optimization Journey at Pitney Bowes" presentation, includes a demo of the app.

