

Capstone Project (30.01 – 02.02.2024)

Lecture Business Intelligence Systems (BIS)



PORSCHE

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Mission



"In the beginning,
I looked around and could not
find the car I dreamed of.
So I decided to build it myself."

Ferry Porsche

AND THIS IS HOW WE AIM TO SHAPE
THE FUTURE OF THE SPORTS CAR.

Vision

THE BRAND FOR THOSE
WHO FOLLOW THEIR DREAMS.



PORSCHE

Porsche model range

911



Macan



Cayenne



Taycan



718



Panamera



911 Carrera models: Fuel consumption combined: 11.4 - 10.1 l/100 km (WLTP) | CO₂ emissions combined 259 - 229 g/km (WLTP)

Taycan Sport limousine models: Electricity consumption combined: 24.1 - 19.6 kWh/100 km (WLTP) | CO₂ emissions combined: 0 g/km (WLTP) | Electric range: 370 - 512 km; Electric range city: 440 - 630 km

Macan GTS: Fuel consumption* combined (WLTP) 11.7 - 11.3 l/100 km | CO₂ emissions* combined (WLTP) 265 - 255 g/km

718 Cayman models: Fuel combined: 13.2 - 8.9 l/100 km (WLTP) | CO₂ emissions combined: 299 - 201 g/km (WLTP)

Cayenne GTS: Fuel consumption combined: 14.1 - 13.3 l/100km (WLTP) | CO₂ emissions combined: 319 - 301 g/km (WLTP)

Panamera GTS: Fuel consumption combined: 13.1 - 12.1 l/100km (WLTP) | CO₂ emissions combined: 296 - 275 g/km (WLTP)

Porsche AG Group in figures (2022)

HUMAN RESOURCES

39,162
employees

DELIVERIES

309,884
cars

RETURN ON SALES

18.0
per cent



Porsche markets in 2023

> 900
POINTS OF SALE

> 120
MARKETS
WORLDWIDE



 Sales subsidiary/
regional office

Product strategy

SPORTLICHKEIT

Image

HERZBLUT

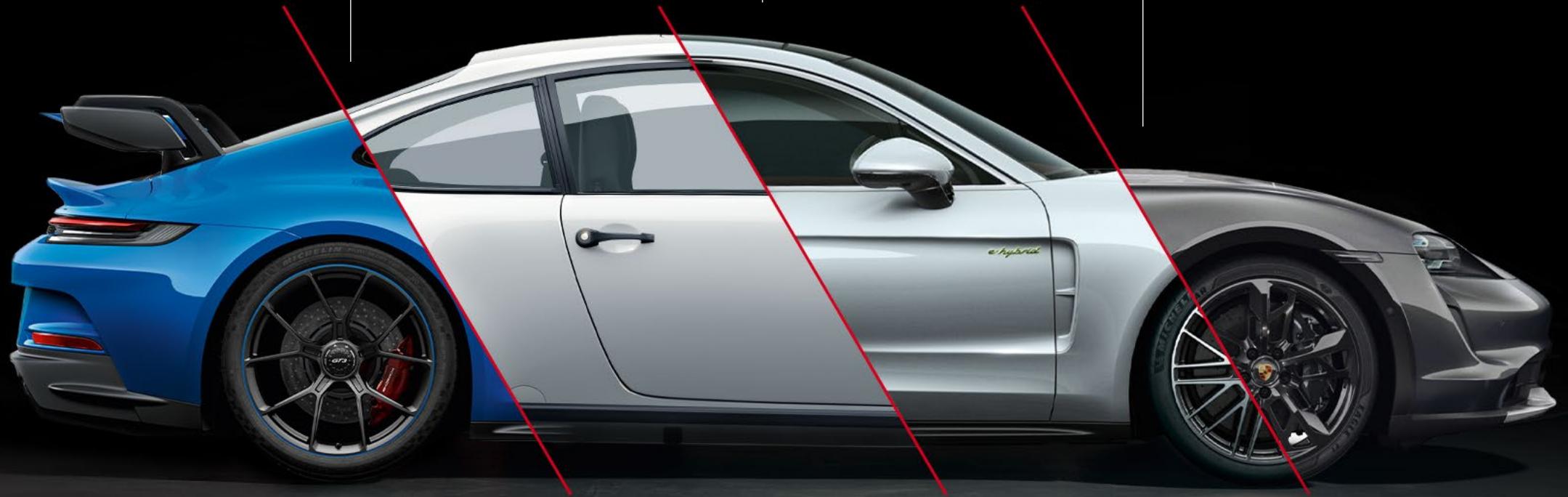
Heritage

FAMILY

Core

PIONIERGEIST

Future



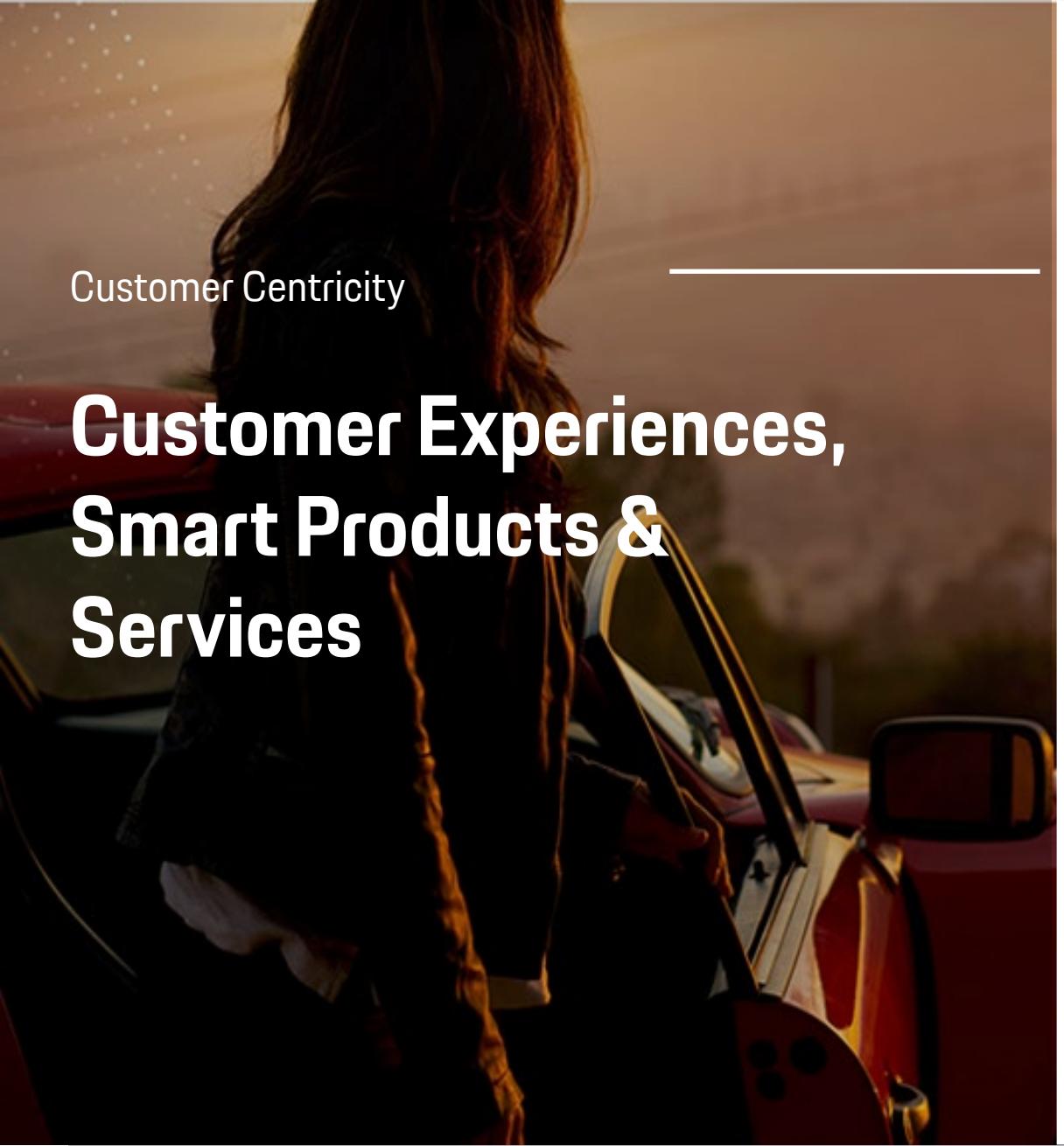
911 GT3 models: Fuel consumption combined: 13.4 - 12.9 l/100 km (WLTP); CO2 emissions combined: 305 - 292 g/km (WLTP)

DATA

AI

VALUE



A close-up photograph of a woman with long brown hair, seen from behind, looking towards a red Porsche sports car parked on a road. The background is a blurred landscape.

Customer Centricity

Customer Experiences, Smart Products & Services



Our sales vision | BALANCED DEMAND AND SUPPLY

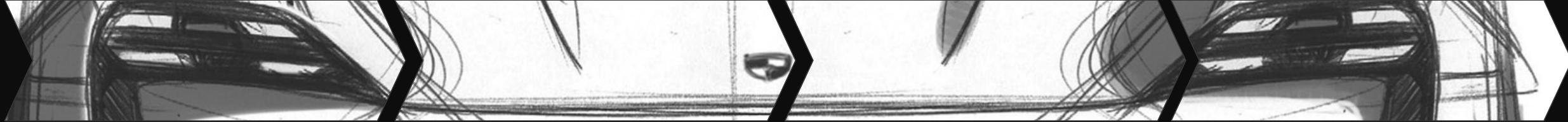


Customer places **intent** to purchase a specific **Porsche** in **Porsche Centre**.



Customers picks up his/ her **new vehicle** at a **Porsche Center**.

Sales planning processes for order intakes and retails at Porsche AG



I

Strategic Planning

planning horizon:

NEXT 10 YEARS

frequency:

YEARLY

II

Forecast Planning

planning horizon:

CURRENT YEAR

frequency:

MONTHLY

III

Weekly Estimation

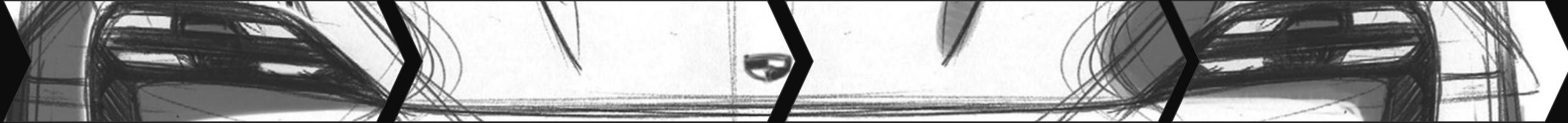
planning horizon:

CURRENT MONTH

frequency:

WEEKLY

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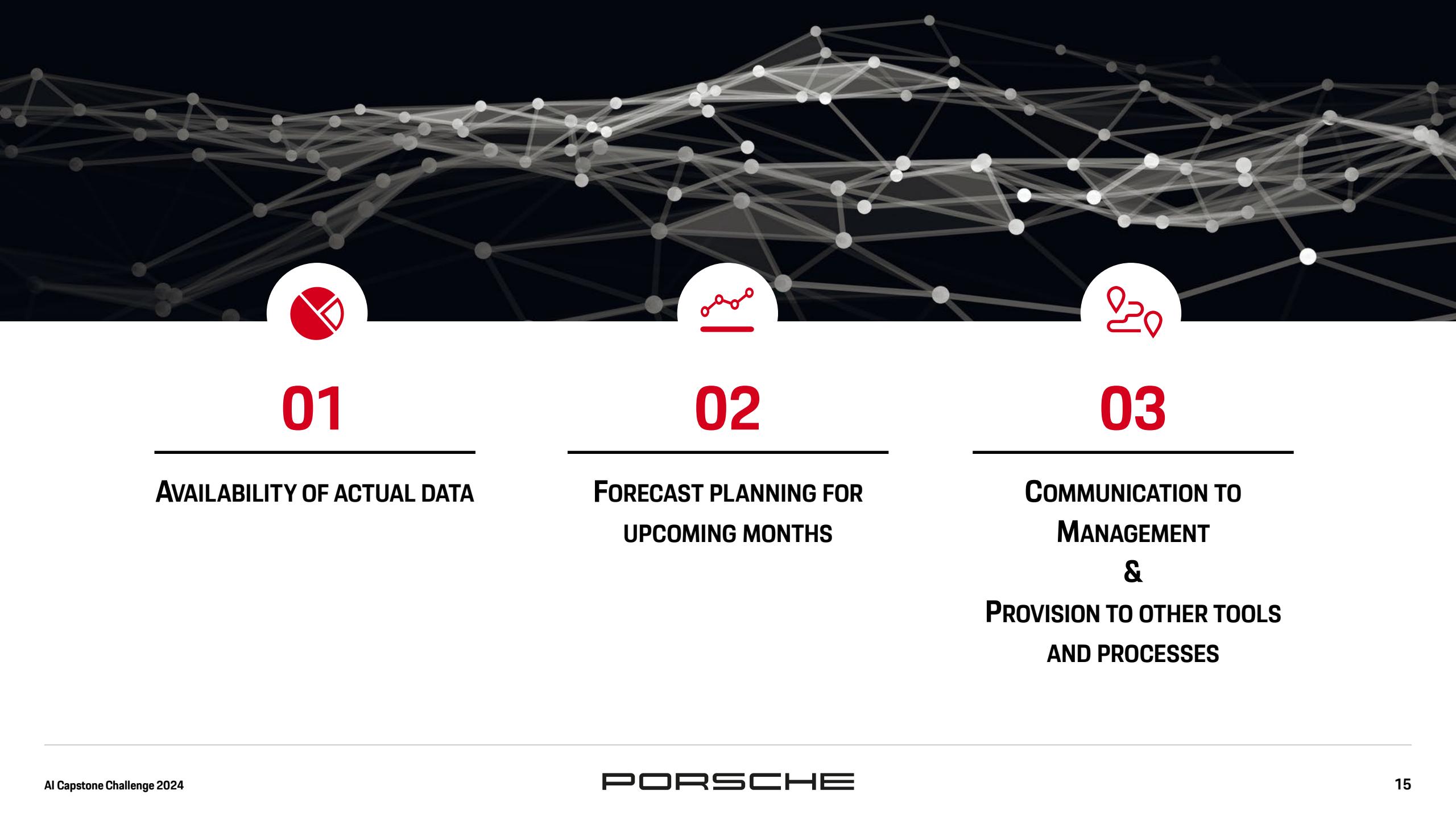
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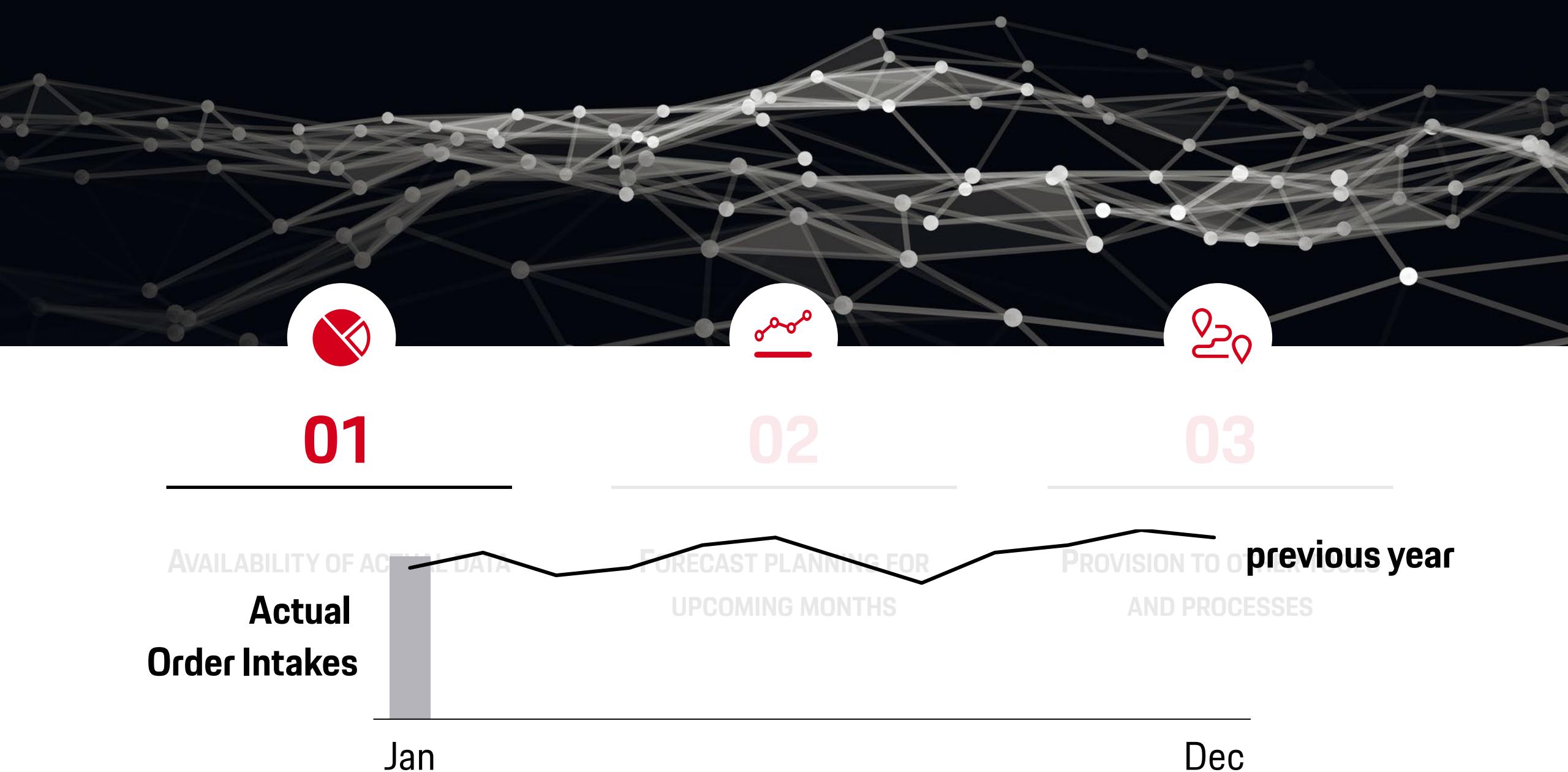
planning horizon:

CURRENT MONTH

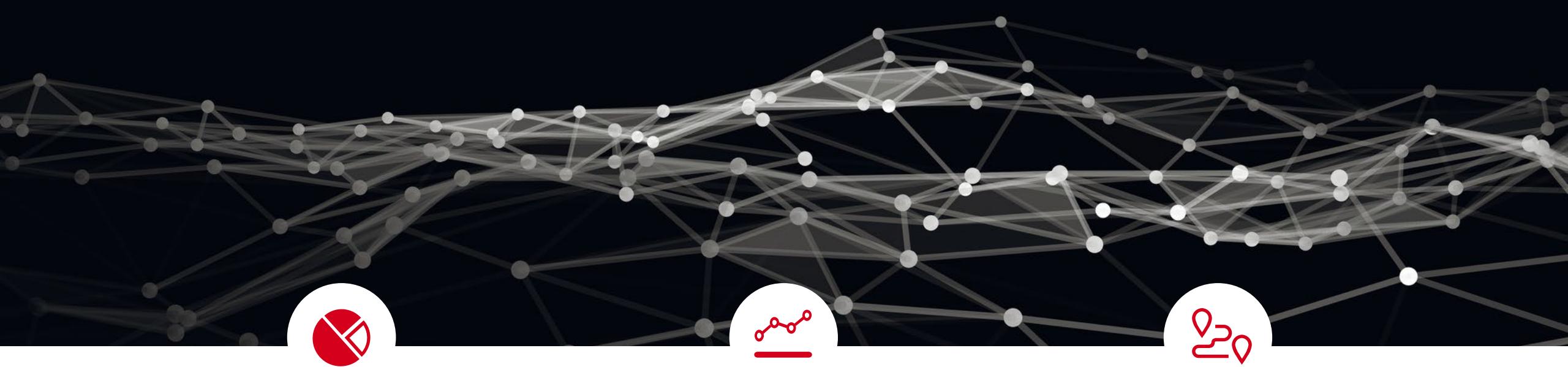
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WEEKLY





fictitious figures for schematic visualization



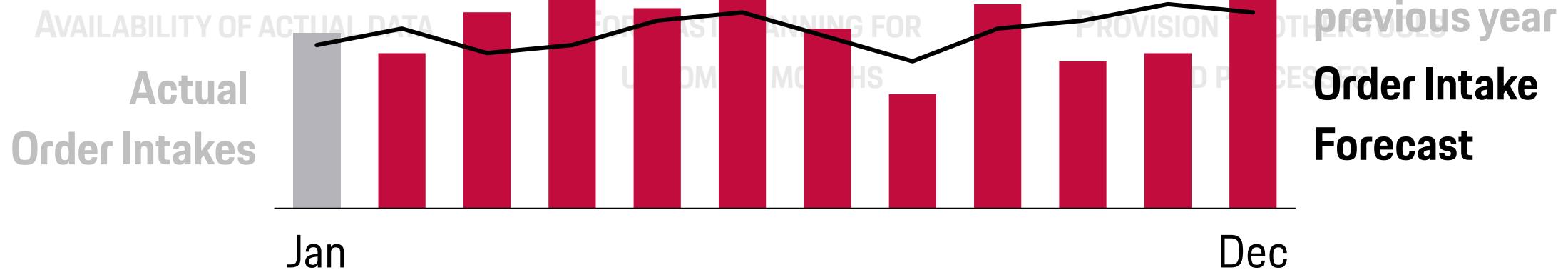
01



02



03



fictitious figures for schematic visualization

Current objectives in sales planning

Process improvement driven by ...

- › **efficiency in capacity commitment**
- › **enhancement of forecast quality** through integration of the entire available data set
- › **elimination of risks** through human error in manual processes

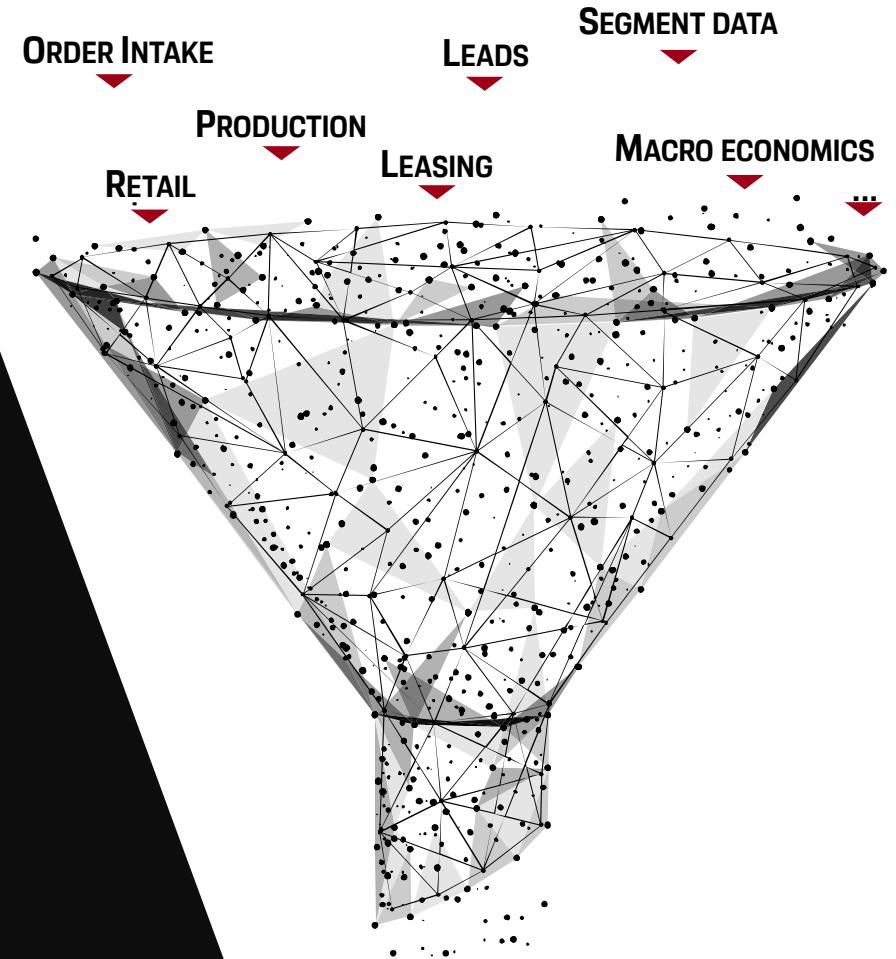


Project Idea | AI-BASED DEMAND PROGNOSIS



Improved forecast process by providing markets an automatically generated, **AI-based demand forecast** of Order Intakes for the upcoming **18 months** on market & derivative level as baseline for subsequent planning processes.

E.g.: How many customers will order a 911 Cabriolet in Germany in August this year?



The database comes from two sources: (a) Porsche-internal sales and customer data and (b) external macro-economical data

Porsche Data

Purchase Intentions (Leads)

Sales Flows

Retails

Stock Sales

Planning Data

Current Customers

Leasing Contracts

External Data

Regional Consumer Data

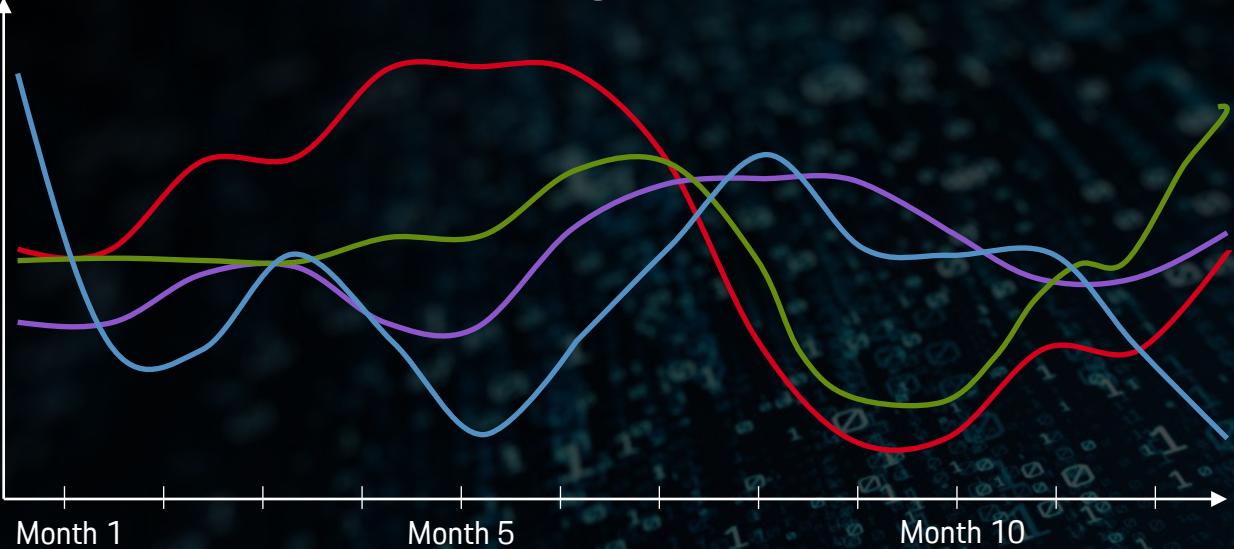
(income, education, households,
(fe)male population, motor vehicles, ...)

Regional Economy Data

(imports/exports, consumer price index,
gross domestic product, depts, ...)

General Vehicle Registrations

The whole data set consists of time series with values on monthly basis for four different countries/regions

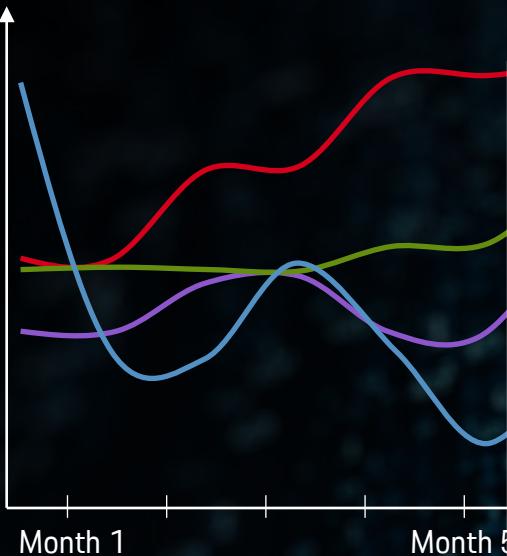


- All fields are numerical time series – except *month* (= time variable) and *countryname* (= categorical filter criterion).
- The time series begin with *Month 1* at the earliest and extend to *Month 258*.
- Some fields also contain values for *Month 259* to *Month 360*, e.g. about known leasing contract ends.
- Some fields do not have data stored for all points in time.
- The internal Porsche data are masked, i.e. the numerical values are manipulated so that no conclusions can be drawn about the actual values.

month	countryname
1	Country A
2	Country A
3	Country A
...	...
359	Country A
360	Country A
1	Country B
2	Country B
3	Country B
...	...
359	Country B
360	Country B
1	Country C
2	Country C
3	Country C
...	...
359	Country C
360	Country C
1	Country D
2	Country D
3	Country D
...	...
359	Country D
360	Country D

Time series for
Country A with
frequency
1/month

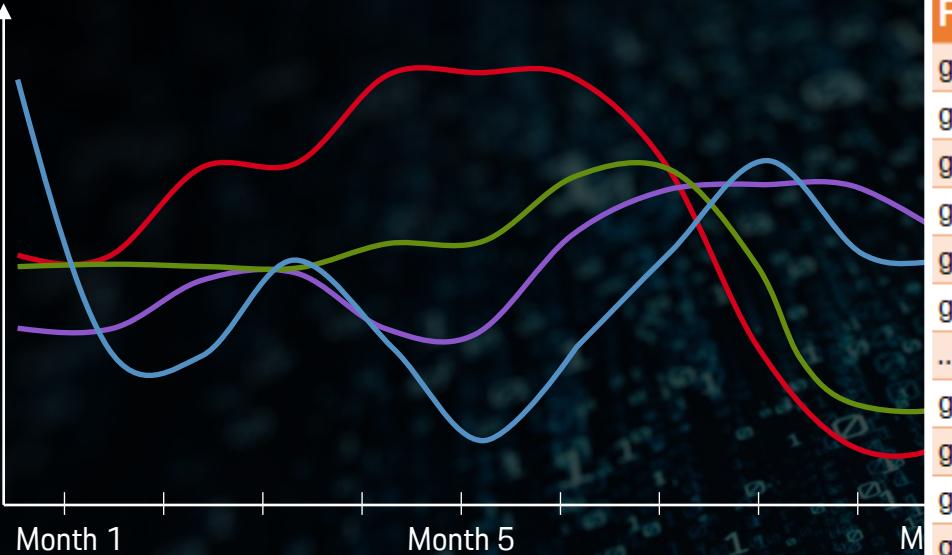
The internal Porsche data contain sales and customer data



Each field is available for various groups of Porsche models

Field Name	Field Description
sales_actuals_monthly__[...]__orderintake	Number of order intakes for vehicles
sales_actuals_monthly__[...]__retail	Number of actually sold vehicles
sales_flow_monthly__[...]__cp8	Number of vehicles that reached end of production
sales_stock_monthly__[...]__physical	Number of cars that are physically in stock
sales_stock_monthly__[...]__grossall	Number of cars in stock among all sales levels (Porsche AG, importers, dealers)
sales_stock_monthly__[...]__netimporteranddealer	Net stock of importers and dealers (stock cars without customer relationship)
customer_vehicle_relationships__[...]__terminated_cars	Number of terminated customer-vehicle relationships (customers sold their vehicle)
customer_vehicle_relationships__[...]__active_cars	Number of active customer-vehicle relationships (current customers)
leads__[...]__won	Number of known purchase interests that have resulted in an order
leads__[...]__first_touch_point	Number of known purchase interests with pending decision for/against purchase
leads__[...]__lost	Number of known purchase interests that have not resulted in an order
leasing_contracts__[...]__end	Number of leasing contracts commenced
leasing_contracts__[...]__start	Number of leasing contracts ending
premises__[...]__flag_order_start	Date at which new model can be officially ordered (Start of Sale)
premises__[...]__in_sales	Current model which can be ordered by customers
premises__[...]__flag_production_start	Start of production of a new model
premises__[...]__in_production	Current model in production
quota__[...]__aq	Number of cars which are produced within a specific month

The external data contain macro-economical data for each of the specific countries/area



global means „for the entire country/area“
(related to field countryname)

Field Name
global_consumer__alcoholic_beverages
global_consumer__apparel
global_consumer__apparel_footwear
global_consumer__appliances
global_consumer__automobiles
global_consumer__beer
...
global_economy__capital_consumption_total_us__u_s_dollar
global_economy__change_in_international_reserves__u_s_dollar
global_economy__change_in_international_reserves_excluding_gold__u_s_dollar
global_economy__consumer_price_index__index
global_economy__consumer_price_index_core__index
global_economy__consumer_price_index_core_dollar_basis__index
...
registrations__vwm_premium_mini
registrations__vwm_premium_acura
registrations__vwm_premium_infiniti
registrations__vwm_luxus_maserati
registrations__vwm_luxus_bentley
registrations__vwm_luxus_ferrari

A red arrow points from the text "global means „for the entire country/area“ (related to field countryname)" to the word "global" in the first row of the table.

The table is organized into three main categories with curly braces on the right side:

- consumer indices**: global_consumer__alcoholic_beverages, global_consumer__apparel, global_consumer__apparel_footwear, global_consumer__appliances, global_consumer__automobiles, global_consumer__beer, ...
- economic indices**: global_economy__capital_consumption_total_us__u_s_dollar, global_economy__change_in_international_reserves__u_s_dollar, global_economy__change_in_international_reserves_excluding_gold__u_s_dollar, global_economy__consumer_price_index__index, global_economy__consumer_price_index_core__index, global_economy__consumer_price_index_core_dollar_basis__index, ...
- official vehicle registrations**: registrations__vwm_premium_mini, registrations__vwm_premium_acura, registrations__vwm_premium_infiniti, registrations__vwm_luxus_maserati, registrations__vwm_luxus_bentley, registrations__vwm_luxus_ferrari

The Challenge



You are selected to assist the planning team in Country A. With your AI and analytics skills, you are exactly the right people to support in the following ways:

1. For **Country A*** and **Vehicle Group 01****, make an **18 months***** forecast with an algorithm of your choice.
2. Find out **which of the used time series are particularly helpful** for forecasting and try to identify correlations. Find further interesting insights.

month	countryname	sales_actuals_monthly__vehiclegroup01__orderintake
255	Country A	621
256	Country A	451
257	Country A	420
258	Country A	544
259	Country A	???
260	Country A	???
261	Country A	???
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270	Country A	???
271	Country A	???
272	Country A	???
273	Country A	???
274	Country A	???
275	Country A	???
276	Country A	???

These 18 values are to be predicted

To accomplish the task, you can use all time series for all countries in the data set or other publicly available data. Choose different training and test periods to make the forecast model robust. The quality of the forecast is evaluated at the end based on the *mean absolute percentage error (MAPE)*****. Choose a suitable type of presentation for your results, for example a dashboard, interactive visualizations or a PowerPoint.

* countryname == `Country A`

** sales_actuals_monthly__vehiclegroup01__orderintake

*** Month 259 – Month 276

**** https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mean_absolute_percentage_error

The Awards



Best BI-Artifact or Prototype

Criteria

Could you use your analytical skills to handle the identified business case?

Please include the code and documentation of your data product or analytics/AI/BI artefact or prototype

Tips

- Take a look at the lecture and the different analytics systems and how they are used
- Simple solutions or prototypes are also welcomed



Best Prediction

Can you predict the next 18 months order intakes?

Please submit the 18 months forecast of order intakes for Country A and Vehicle Group 01 by email to Dr. Sebastian Seifen <sebastian.seifen@porsche.de> until Thursday 01. February evening at 18:00 MEZ!

- Simpler models are also valuable
- What are the relevant features
- Data preprocessing might help you



Best Presentation/ Data Insights

Can you tell a coherent and exciting story about the analysis and your insights?

PowerPoint presentation, live demo or comparable form.

- Build an interesting and clear story
- Remember that there are also some practitioners and non-experts in the jury
- Less is more: get to the point and pack the details into the backup

Capstone Project



30.01.2024, 9:30 – 18:00

- Greetings & Welcome
- Guest Lecture
- Use Case Introduction



30.01. – 01.02.2024

- Teamwork
- Use Case Q&A (online via MS Teams)
- Expert sessions with PAG employees
- Lecture Evaluation (15:00)
- Submission of the 18 predictions
(until 01. Feb. 18:00 to
sebastian.seifen@porsche.de)



02.02.2024, 9:30-12:00

- Final pitches
- Nomination of the three winner teams

Award



SAVE-THE-DATE!

Porsche Experience
Zuffenhouse

21.03.2024

9:00-15:00 Uhr

Final Presentations

Day 4 – Friday (preliminary)

09:30 Greetings and Welcome

10:00 Start

10:10 Presentation Team 1

10:20 Presentation Team 8

10:30 Presentation Team 2

10:40 Presentation Team 7

10:50-11:15 Break

11:15 Presentation Team 3

11:25 Presentation Team 6

11:35 Presentation Team 4

11:45 Presentation Team 5

11:45-12:15 Break

12:30 Awards and Results

Modalities

- 10 min presentation
- Please stick to the given amount of time
- Not every team member has to present

Presentation & Content

- Ideas
- Approach
- Results
 - Code Run-Through
 - Demonstration of dashboard, data model, application
 - Evaluation, e.g. of classifier
- Discussion
- Next Steps

Work Environment

Tools

- Data Science Environment
 - Python Anaconda
 - R + RStudio
 - KNIME
- Microsoft Power BI
- GITlab KIT-SCC
- H-lab Jupyter Hub

Data Access

- Every team member has access to a file exchange
- For downloading data and for uploading your final submission
- Link and password via E-Mail



Work Environment – Jupyter Hub

Human-Centered Systems Lab:

Open link once (KIT VPN required):

<https://auth.k8s.iism.kit.edu/auth/realms/default/account/#/>

Email your user to issd-researchserver@kit.edu to get access after you decided about the technology

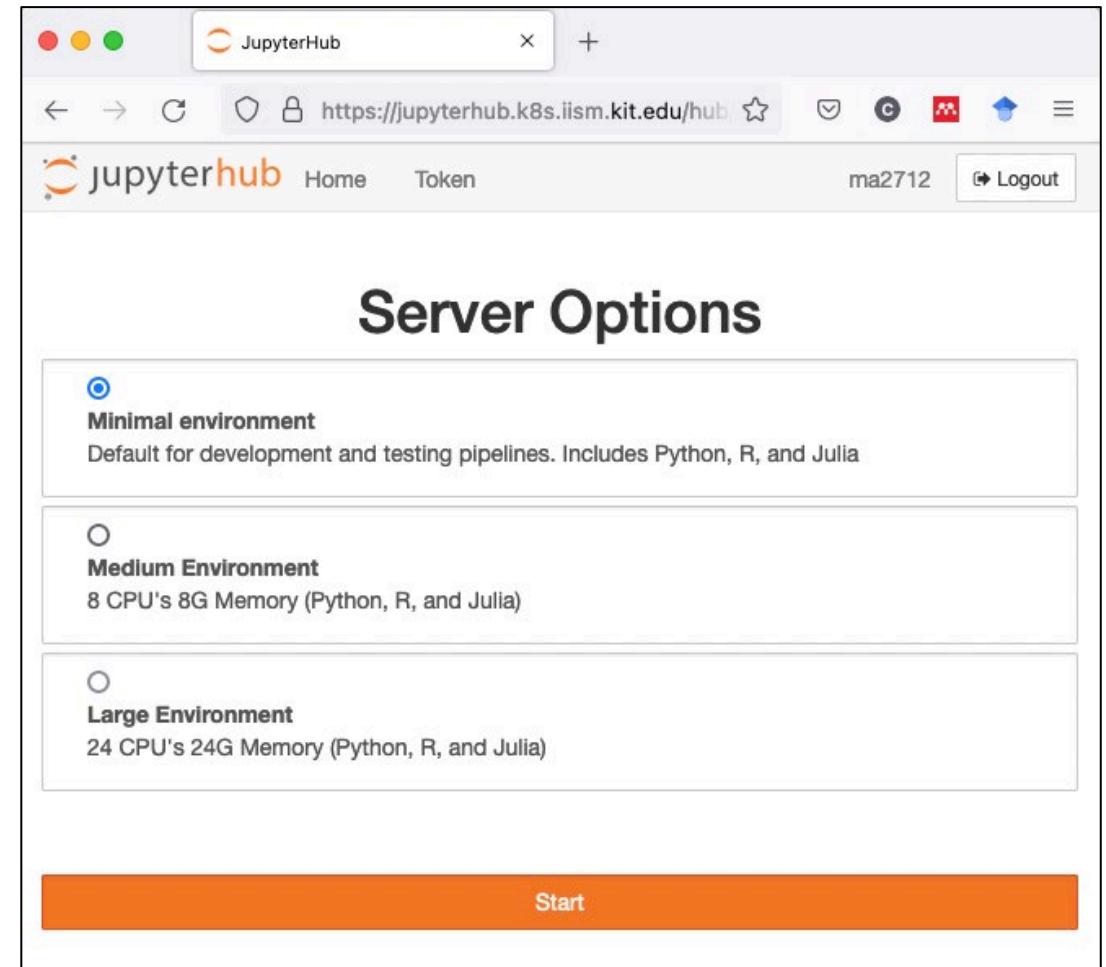
Choose minimal environment for defining your models

For training, you can choose medium and large environments.

Don't forget to shut down your environment afterwards

SCC:

■ <https://www.scc.kit.edu/dienste/JupyterHPC.php>



Required Submissions on Friday by the EOD

- (1) PDF – File**
- (2) Code and Power BI File as ZIP**
- Archive**

Target Folder:

File Exchange

Grading of the Capstone Project



Element	Description	Max. Points
Presentation	Each team must present its results in the form of a management presentation on the last day of the capstone project.	20
Artefact	At the last day of the capstone project, the final solution needs to be submitted to a given SharePoint.	20
Total		40

- In general, it is assumed that the performance of the team is achieved through equal contributions of all team members. If this assumption is not correct (i.e., if some team members contribute significantly more to the team's performance than other team members), all members should make clear what their individual contribution was!
- All grades will be given by the professor. Only the final grade for the lecture will be shown on any transcript.

NDA for Capstone Project Required

Submit the NDA to Ilias (in Folder: Capstone Project) until 21.01.2024 23:55

 **NDA Submission**

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▼ **Porsche NDA for Capstone Participation (Verpflichtend)**
Startet am: Morgen, 09:45

Terminplan

Startzeit	Morgen, 09:45
Abgabetermin	21. Jan 2024, 23:55



#Let's accelerate