

# Applied Artificial Intelligence in Energy: Challenges and Solutions

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- Machine Learning Solutions in Power Systems
  - Data-Driven Load Forecasting
- Data Analysis in Nuclear Security
  - Machine Intelligence Solutions
- Future Directions



# Brief Biography

## Education

2012 Ph.D. Nuclear Eng.(Intelligent Systems), *Purdue University*

2010 M.S. Nuclear Eng.(Intelligent Systems), *Purdue University*

2005 Dipl.-Ing. Electrical and Computer Eng., *University of Thessaly, Greece*

2018 Power System Certificate, *Georgia Institute of Technology*



University of Thessaly, Volos, Greece

## Research Experience

2014 – Present Research Assistant Professor, *Purdue University*

March 2017 Visiting Professor, *Electrical and Computer Eng., University of Thessaly*

May 2016 Visiting Scientist, *Power and Energy Systems Group, Oak Ridge National Laboratory*

June 2015 Research Visitor, *Nevada National Security Site (LANL)*

2012-2014 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, *UNEP, The University of Utah*

2010-2012 Guest Researcher, *Detection and Diagnostics Group, Argonne National Laboratory*

2004 Summer Intern, *Greek Telecommunications Organization*



# Research Program

- Artificial Intelligence in Power Systems
- Smart Power and Energy Systems
- Pattern Recognition in Cyber-Physical Systems

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- Data Analytics and Sensor Networks
- Machine Learning in National Security and Nuclear Nonproliferation Applications

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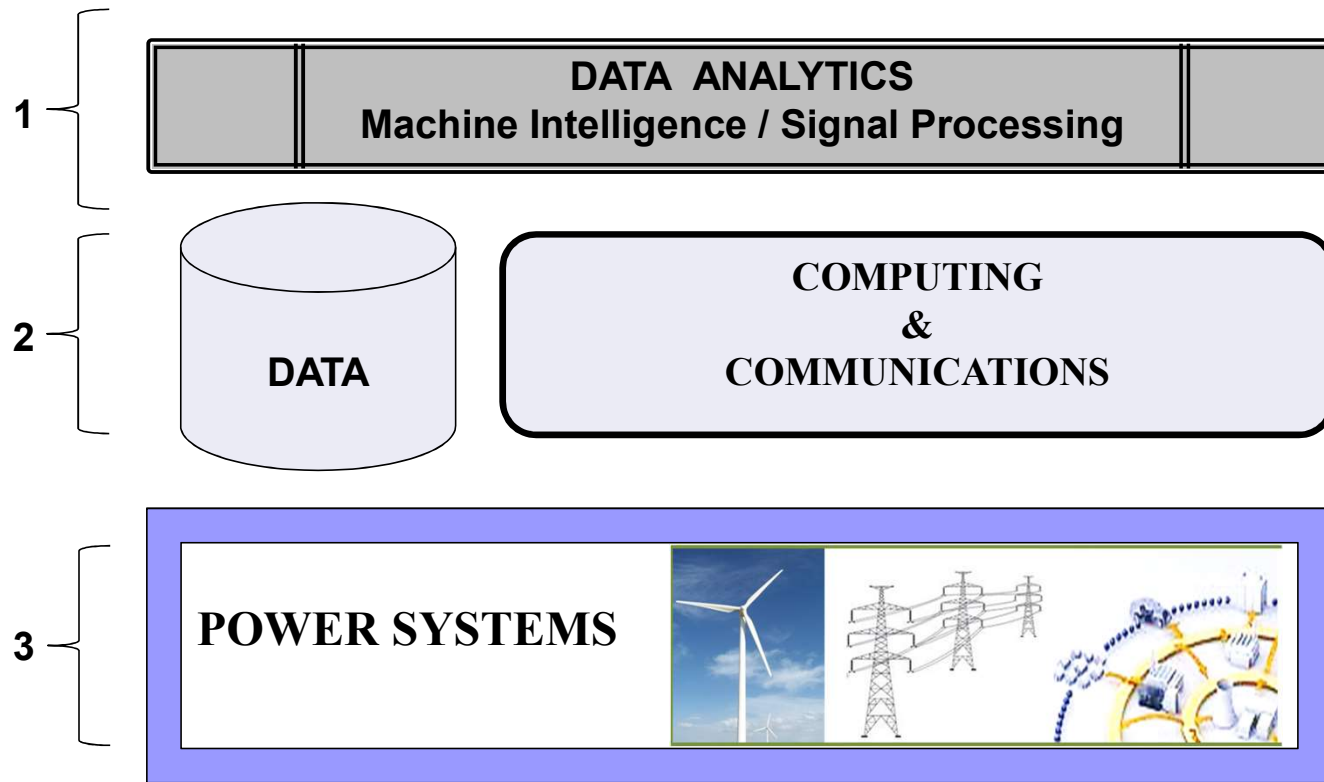
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# Critical Energy: Applications

## Smart Power Systems

**FORECASTING**



**Main Components**

# Artificial Intelligence Solutions in Power

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*Ensemble  
Gaussian Process  
Load  
Forecasting*

*Learning from Loads  
Cybersecurity*

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*RVR Kernels  
Electricity Price  
Forecasting*

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**Smart  
Power  
Systems**

*Consumption Analysis  
Hidden Facility  
Detection*

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Monitoring*

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*Fuzzy Driven  
Distribution Grid  
Partition*

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# Learning Kernel Machines: *Very-Short-Term Load Forecasting*

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# Very-Short Term Load Forecasting (VSTLF)

- VSTLF: Forecasting of Load Demand from a few minutes up to two hours ahead-of-time

## USEFULNESS

- Planning of Grid Operation and Scheduling of Maintenance
- Efficient Energy Management
- Grid Reliability
  - Prevent Voltage Drop
  - Prevent Overvoltage
  - Reduce Faults and Blackouts
- Auction based Energy Markets
  - Determine Price
- Smart Cities / Optimization

## CHALLENGES

- High Volatility of Data
- Dynamically Varying Factors
- Complicated Load Features
- Random Effects
- Irregular Days
- Real-Time Forecasting (Speed)



# Gaussian Process for Machine Learning

## ■ In machine learning:

➤ Gaussian Processes (GP) are identified as **learning kernel methods**

➤ Kernels: Dual Representation:  $k(x_1, x_2) = \varphi(x_1)^T \varphi(x_2)$

➤ Prior distribution over functions:  $p(y) = N(y | 0, K)$

➤ Predictive distribution (Rasmussen 2006):

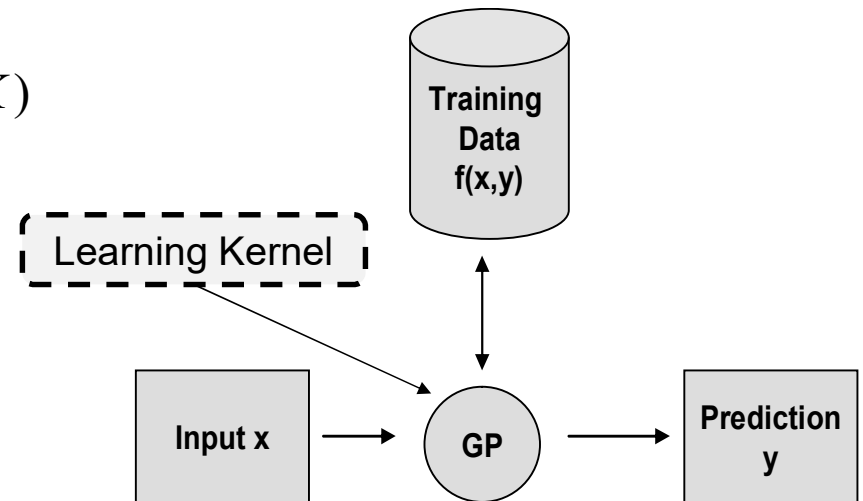
$$m(x_{N+1}) = k^T K_*^{-1} t$$

$$\sigma^2(x_{N+1}) = k_* - k^T K_*^{-1} k$$

Normal distr. of  $y$   
for input:  $x_{N+1}$

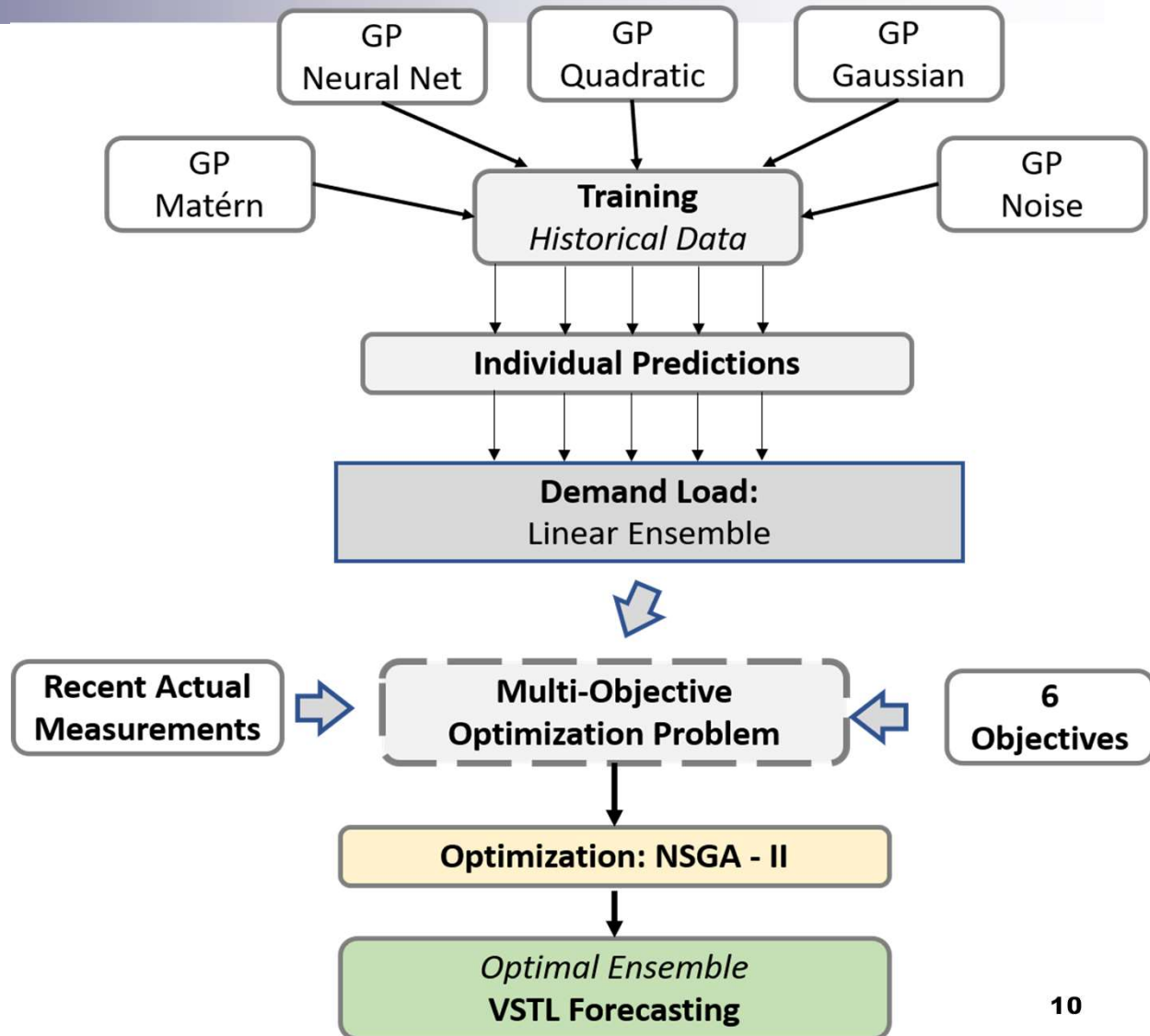
➤ With  $K$  being the Gram Matrix:

$$K_*(x_i, x_j) = k(x_i, x_j) + \sigma_n^2 \delta_{ij}$$



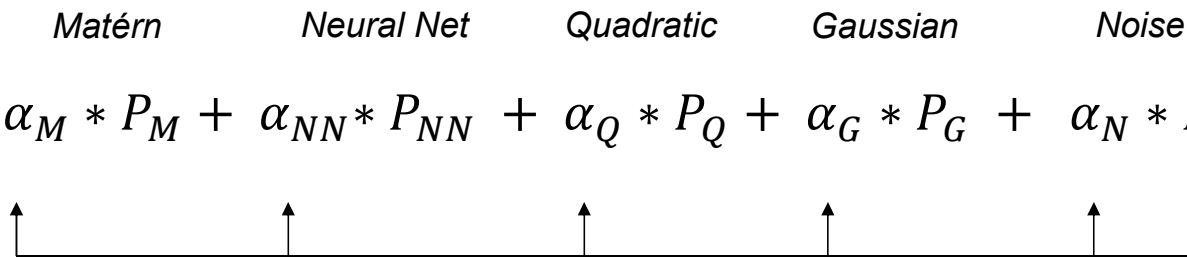
# Methodology

- Analysis of Demand Data
  - Family of GP
  - Different kernels
- Formulating Multi-Objective Problem
- Use of Evolutionary Computing
- 2 Stages of Learning



# Load Analysis: Linear Ensemble

$$\text{Load} = \alpha_M * P_M + \alpha_{NN} * P_{NN} + \alpha_Q * P_Q + \alpha_G * P_G + \alpha_N * P_N$$



## Approach

- Different *Data Properties* modeled by various *kernels*
- Weights of GP Predictions ( $P_M, P_{NN}, P_Q, P_G, P_N$ )
  - Contribution of Data Properties
- Approximation of Load Dynamics via Data Properties of Predictions

} *Unknown*

# Kernel Formulas

## Matérn Kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \left( \frac{2^{1-\theta_1}}{\Gamma(\theta_1)} \right) \left[ \frac{\sqrt{2\theta_1} |\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|}{\theta_2} \right]^{\theta_1} K_{\theta_1} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\theta_1} |\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|}{\theta_2} \right)$$

## Neural Network Kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \theta_0 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{2 \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^T \Sigma \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2}{\sqrt{(1 + 2 \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1^T \Sigma \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1)(1 + 2 \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2^T \Sigma \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2)}} \right)$$

## Gaussian Kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \exp \left( -\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2\|^2}{2\sigma^2} \right)$$

## Rational Quadratic Kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \left( 1 + \frac{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|^2}{2a\theta_1^2} \right)^{-a}$$

## Noise Kernel

$$k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \theta_1 \delta_{x_1 x_2}$$

# Objective Functions

## Mean Square Error

$$MSE = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N (R_t - P_t)^2$$

## Mean Absolute Error

$$MAE = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N |R_t - P_t|$$

## Maximum Absolute Percentage Error

$$MAP = \max \left( 100 \times \left| \frac{R_t - P_t}{R_t} \right| \right)$$

## Root Mean Square Error

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^N (R_t - P_t)^2}{N}}$$

## Mean Absolute Percentage Error

$$MAPE = \frac{100}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \left| \frac{R_t - P_t}{R_t} \right|$$

## Theil Coefficient

$$Theil = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^N (R_t - P_t)^2}{N}}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t=1}^N (R_t)^2}{N}}}$$

$R_t$ : Actual Value at time  $t$

$P_t$ : Forecasted Value at time  $t$

# Multi-Objective Optimization Problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\alpha}{\text{minimize}} \quad [\mathbf{M}(\alpha)] \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \{Load_F^{(t)}(\alpha) \geq 0\} \\ & \text{where } t = 1, \dots, t_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{M}(\alpha) = [MSE(\alpha), RMSE(\alpha), MAE(\alpha), MAPE(\alpha), MAP(\alpha), Theil(\alpha)]$$

$$\alpha = [a_M, a_{NN}, a_Q, a_G, a_N]$$

$n = 6 \longrightarrow 6$  most recent measurement (last 30 min)

# Solution: Pareto Theory

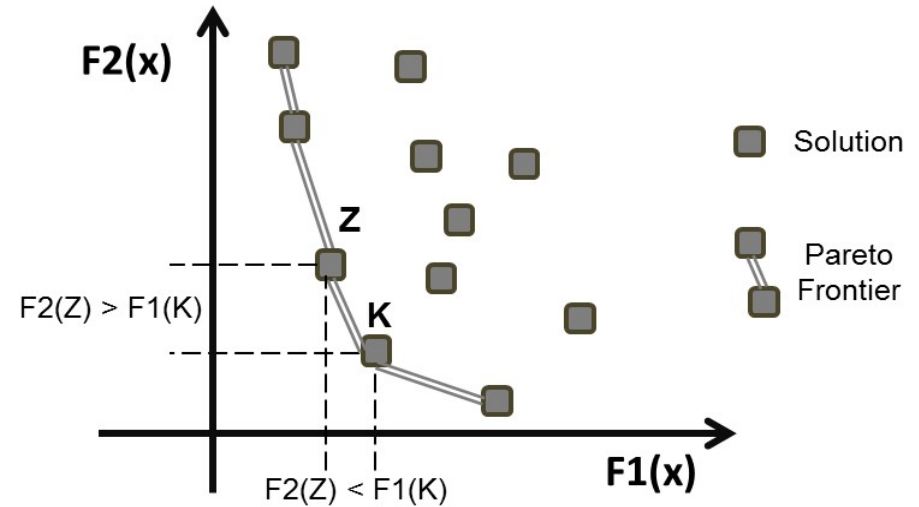
## Multiobjective Optimization Problems

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}) = [C_1(\mathbf{x}), C_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, C_N(\mathbf{x})]$$

$$s.t. \quad f_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, k$$

$$g_j(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

*A point,  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \mathbf{X}$ , is Pareto Optimal iff there does not exist another point,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ , such that  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{x}^*)$ , and  $C_i(\mathbf{x}) < C_i(\mathbf{x}^*)$  for at least one function.*



- A Pareto frontier illustration where each box represents a feasible solution.
- Boxes Z and K are part of Pareto Frontier

## **SOLUTION FINDING Using Evolutionary Computing**

- Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm – II (NSGA-II)
  - Uses Pareto Theory to identify a solution

# Testing Setup

- Datasets from Chicago Metropolitan Area
- Training Datasets
  - Measurements from Previous Day
  - Measurements from respective Day a Week ago
  - Measurements from respective Day a Year ago
- Forecasts of Load at 5min Intervals
- Benchmark against:
  - Support Vector Regression using Gaussian Kernel
  - Autoregressive Moving Average (ARMA)
    - Determined by Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)



# Regular Week Results

## FALL WEEK (September)

Objective	Monday - Friday			Saturday - Sunday		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.066	2.4377	0.691	0.0553	4.4798	0.7915
RMSE	0.2366	1.2433	0.7999	0.2201	1.7876	0.8579
MAE	0.1974	1.2052	0.6276	0.1872	1.7643	0.6596
MAPE	1.1756	6.6554	4.021	1.5877	14.0696	6.4998
MAP	0.0237	0.0872	0.2014	0.0316	0.1716	0.3198
Theil	0.0009	0.0044	0.0022	0.0017	0.0118	0.0071

## WINTER WEEK (January)

Objective	Monday - Friday			Saturday - Sunday		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.3686	9.0534	7.9835	0.4042	4.4035	0.5689
RMSE	0.5173	2.5245	2.0011	0.5092	1.6485	0.6964
MAE	0.4552	2.4932	1.4666	0.4428	1.6055	0.5197
MAPE	1.8561	9.5868	7.4123	2.04	7.1642	2.4531
MAP	0.0331	0.1108	0.4912	0.0374	0.089	0.1297
Theil	0.0009	0.0039	0.0041	0.0011	0.0033	0.0015

## SPRING WEEK (April)

Objective	Monday - Friday			Saturday - Sunday		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.2973	1.956	7.8579	0.0669	8.6265	0.4441
RMSE	0.4404	1.2115	1.9918	0.233	2.6345	0.6067
MAE	0.3899	1.1675	1.7528	0.1979	2.6201	0.47
MAPE	1.9895	5.5971	7.8527	1.5036	19.8321	3.8302
MAP	0.0343	0.0742	0.2815	0.0296	0.2278	0.2183
Theil	0.0012	0.003	0.0036	0.0014	0.0154	0.0034

## SUMMER WEEK (Jun-Jul)

Objective	Monday - Friday			Saturday - Sunday		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.071	3.5728	0.6375	0.0535	6.9237	0.4078
RMSE	0.2403	1.4586	0.7569	0.2048	2.4092	0.6326
MAE	0.2007	1.422	0.5868	0.1716	2.3927	0.5031
MAPE	0.987	6.1254	3.0301	1.302	18.8903	4.0509
MAP	0.0203	0.079	0.1487	0.0268	0.2138	0.1692
Theil	0.0006	0.003	0.0016	0.0012	0.0156	0.0038

# Special Days Results

## Thanksgiving – Black Friday

Objective	Thanksgiving Day			Black Friday Day		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.0749	16.2865	0.2872	0.0596	2.4747	0.2369
RMSE	0.2437	3.2479	0.5359	0.2236	1.3958	0.4867
MAE	0.2062	3.2338	0.4356	0.1860	1.3658	0.3891
MAPE	1.6424	25.7547	3.6461	1.1672	7.5482	2.5714
MAP	0.0326	0.2819	0.1327	0.0237	0.0943	0.1160
Theil	0.0015	0.0206	0.0036	0.0009	0.0045	0.0016

## M. Luther King – New Year

Objective	Martin Luther King Day			New Year Day		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.1000	12.8354	0.4483	0.0624	8.6289	0.3585
RMSE	0.2834	3.3455	0.6696	0.2333	2.7821	0.5987
MAE	0.2399	3.3245	0.5312	0.2007	2.7705	0.4621
MAPE	1.0342	13.3860	2.3684	1.3063	18.6138	3.2285
MAP	0.0203	0.1494	0.1107	0.0251	0.2081	0.1902
Theil	0.0005	0.0056	0.0011	0.0010	0.0126	0.0026

## Independence - Labor

Objective	Independence Day			Labor Day		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.0580	35.3353	3.1954	0.0453	17.8265	0.2657
RMSE	0.2196	5.2498	1.7875	0.2015	4.0581	0.5154
MAE	0.1878	5.2441	1.4326	0.1687	4.0526	0.4218
MAPE	1.5770	42.8576	15.4015	1.3505	32.3218	3.5359
MAP	0.0307	0.4624	0.6398	0.0272	0.3484	0.1479
Theil	0.0015	0.0351	0.0156	0.0013	0.0261	0.0033

## Good Friday - Memorial

Objective	Good Friday Day			Memorial Day		
	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)	GP Ensemble	SVR Gaussian	ARMA (AIC)
MSE	0.0800	3.1283	0.5346	0.0450	76.0419	0.0723
RMSE	0.2602	1.6171	0.7311	0.1976	8.0137	0.2689
MAE	0.2198	1.5874	0.5931	0.1631	8.0113	0.1980
MAPE	1.1963	8.6589	3.4616	1.3843	67.6102	1.6731
MAP	0.0241	0.1056	0.1445	0.0295	0.7090	0.0868
Theil	0.0008	0.0050	0.0020	0.0014	0.0574	0.0019



# Main Conclusions from VSTLF

## ■ Analysis of Demand Load

- Linear Ensemble of GP
- Set of 5 different Kernels

## ■ Two stage Learning

- Individual GP
- Optimization of GP Ensemble

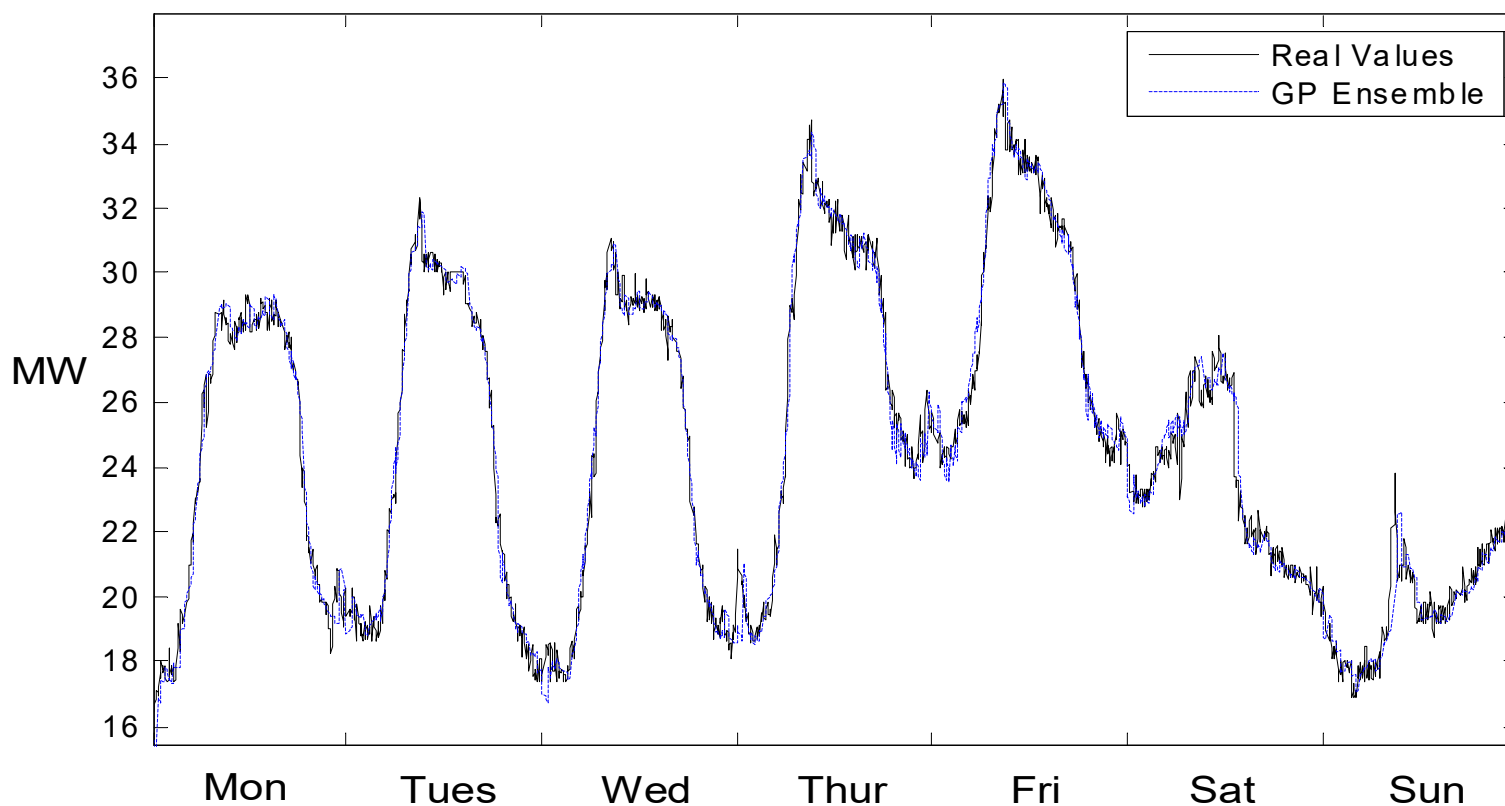
## ■ Multi-objective Problem

- 6 different Objective (error measures)

## ■ Testing

- High Accuracy
  - ARMA (AIC)
  - SVR with Gaussian Kernel

# Winter (January) Week Visualization



	Weekday	Weekend
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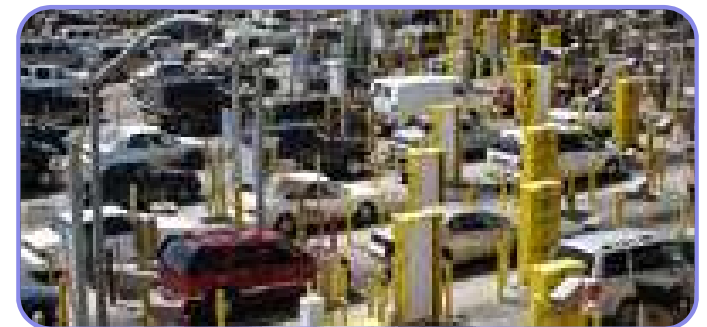
# **Critical Energy Applications:**

*National Security and Nuclear  
Nonproliferation*

# Nuclear Security and Nonproliferation Challenges

- Identify the Origins of Nuclear Materials (e.g., Forensics)
- Monitor Global Fissile Material Production and Accountability
- Monitor Nonproliferation Activities (e.g., Hidden Facilities)
- Counter Nuclear Smuggling
- Enhance International Safeguards
- Enhance Public Safety from Terrorist Attacks

*Border Inspection*



# Artif. Intelligence: Challenges

- Data Analysis from Radiation Sensors
  - Patterns of Interest
- Data Analysis of Sensor Networks
  - Mobile sensors / Static Sensors
- Data Fusion and Decision Making
- Threat Identification
  - Support Decision Making

*NYPD Officer with Rad Detector*



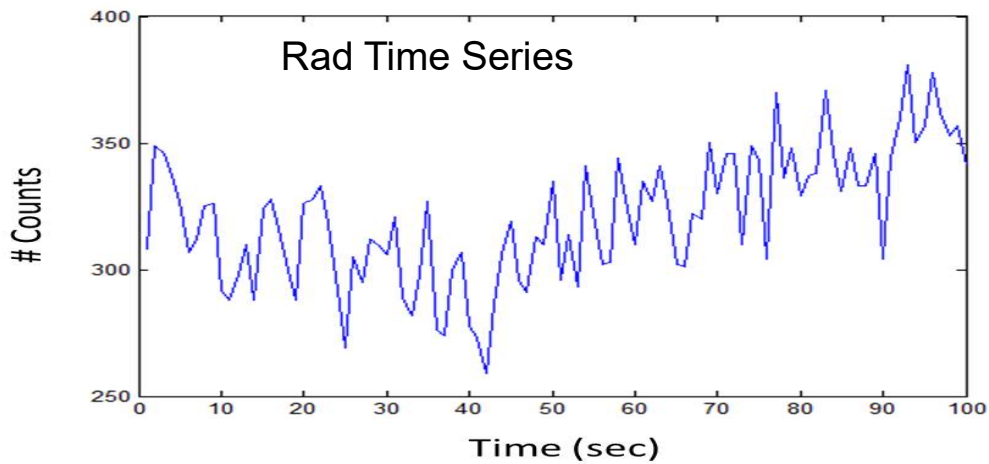
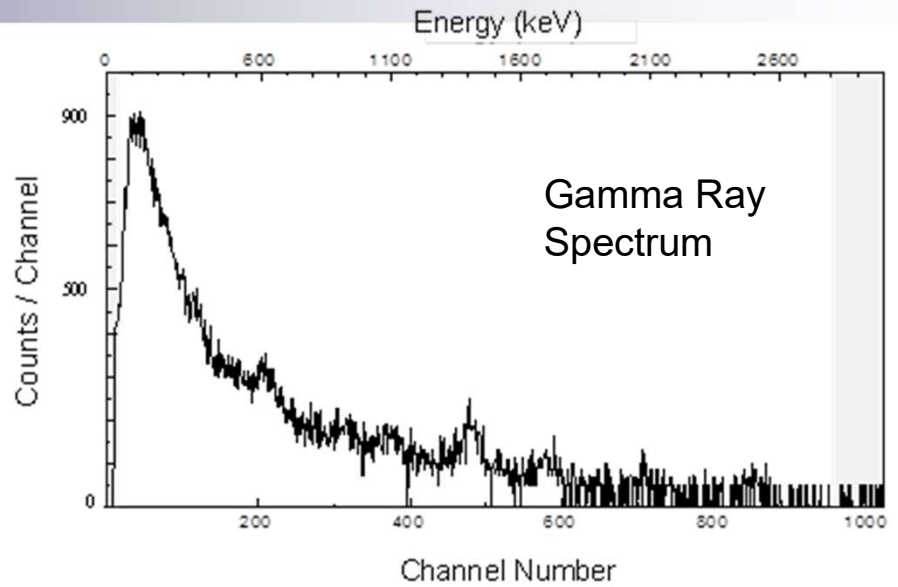
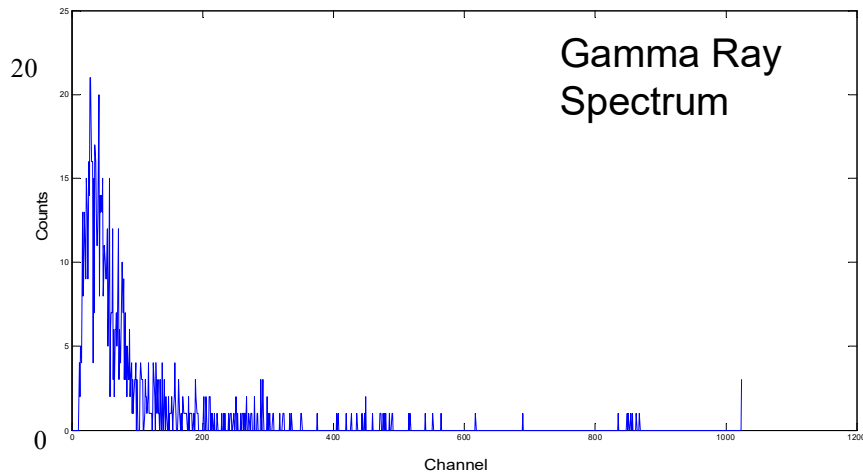
Monitoring for Radioactive Threats

AI Solutions:

Expertise not needed

Minimum Attention (less Fatigue)

# Sensor Data



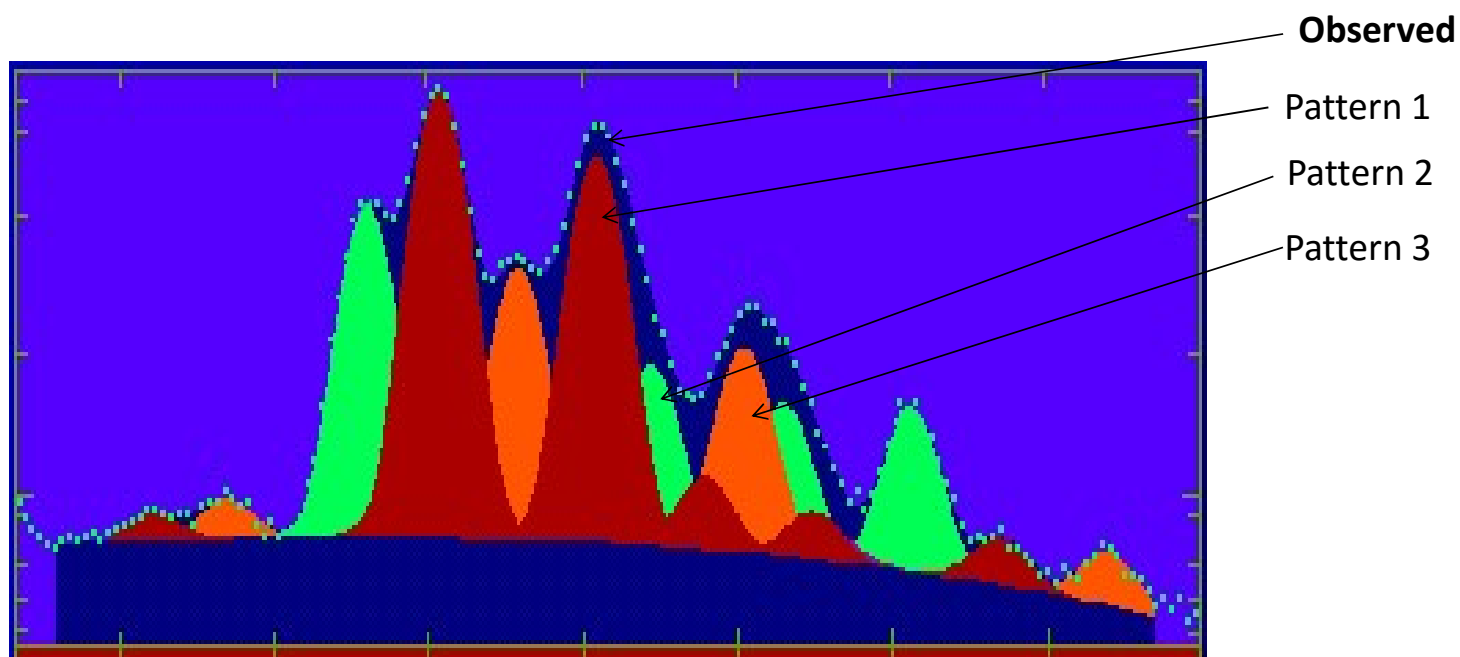
- 1) Measured Spectrum  
= Aggregation of Patterns
- 2) Pattern -> Source Pattern  
-> Background Pattern

BIG DATA PROBLEM



# Analysis of a Spectrum

- **Signal analysis methodology principles**
  - Spectrum Stripping/ Synthesis





# **Analysis of Gamma Ray Signals**

## *Fuzzy Logic Isotope Identifier*

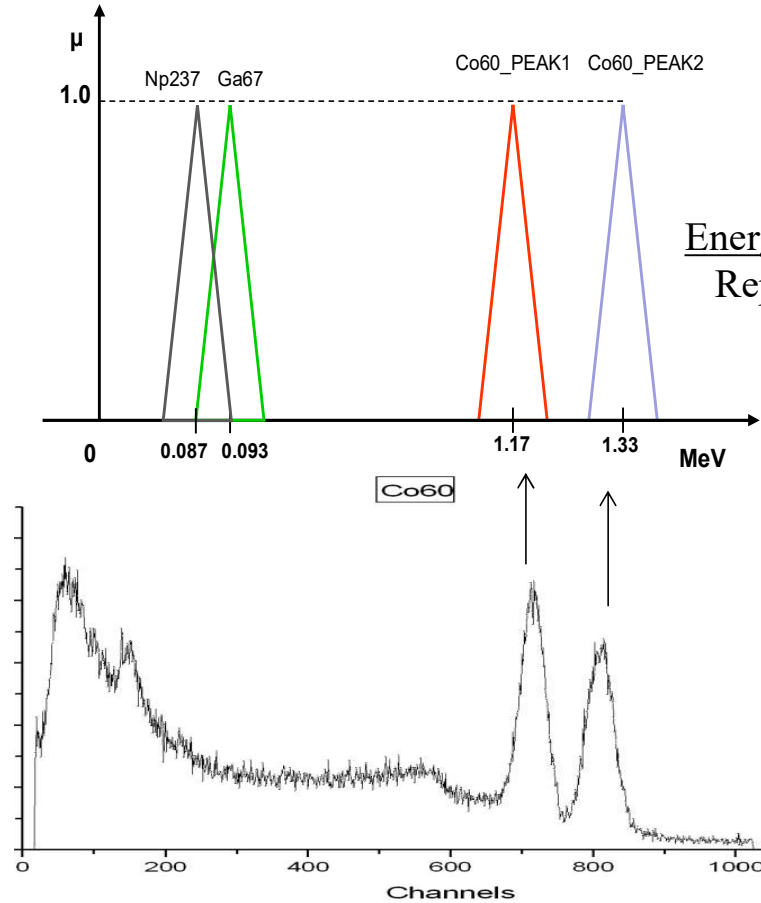
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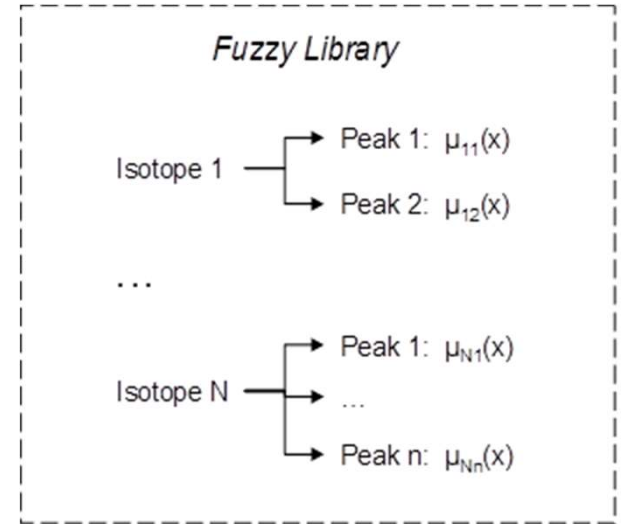
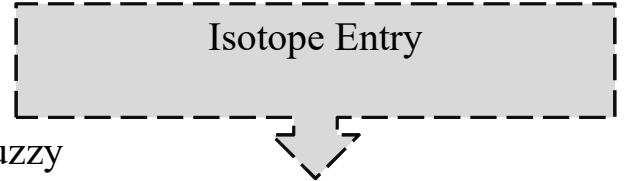
# Machine Intelligence Solution: Fuzzy Representation

Use of Quantum Mechanics:

Feature Extraction (Emission Energies)



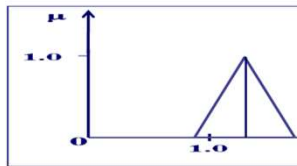
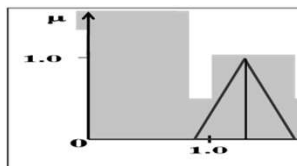
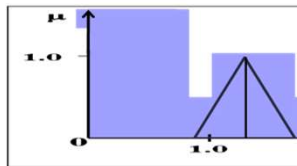
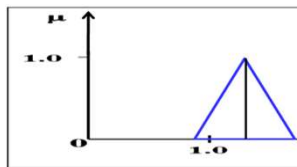
Energy Peak Fuzzy Representation



Isotope Library

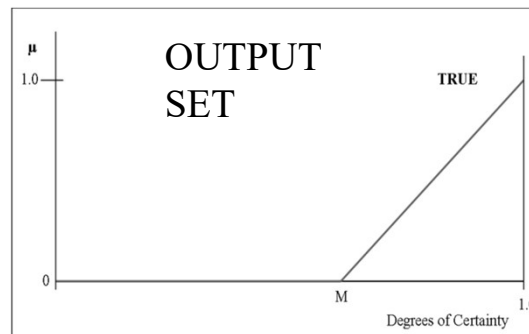
# Machine Intelligence Solution: Fuzzy Inference

INPUTS



RULES

IF Candidate is Plutonium1, THEN Detection is TRUE
IF Candidate is COBALT1, THEN Detection is TRUE
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IF Candidate is U235_1, THEN Detection is TRUE

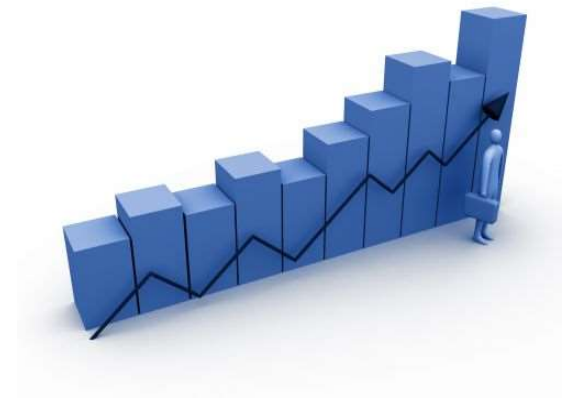


Detection Confidence for each Library Isotope

$$DC_I = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n W_{lj} c_{lj}}{\sum_{j=1}^n W_{lj}}$$

Feature Extraction from Measured Data

# Future Research Directions





# Smart Energy Systems

## **Machine Intelligence in**

- Forecasting
- Integration of Renewables
- Intelligent Management of Power Grid
- Integration of Electricity with other forms of Energy
- Modeling/Predicting Consumer Behavior
- Smart Energy for Smart Cities

# Nuclear Security

## Intelligence in

- Smart Rad Sensor Networks
- Threat Identification
- Modeling of Background Radiation
- Data Interpretation
- Data Visualization
- Cybersecurity and Physical Impact

*Taxis: Sensor Network in  
Urban Environments*





# Power Systems and Nuclear Security

## Machine Intelligence

- Analysis of Power Grid Data
  - Enhancing Nuclear Security
  - Consumption Profiles of Nuclear Sites
  
- Analysis of Grid Contextual Environments
  - Detection of Hidden Facilities



# Summary and Conclusion



- Brief Bio
- Machine Learning in Critical Energy Applications
  - Power Systems
    - Learning Kernels for VSTLF
  - Nuclear Security
    - Fuzzy Analysis of Spectra
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Thank you for your Attention

Questions?

Discussion