

DATA CHALLENGES AND RAMPS

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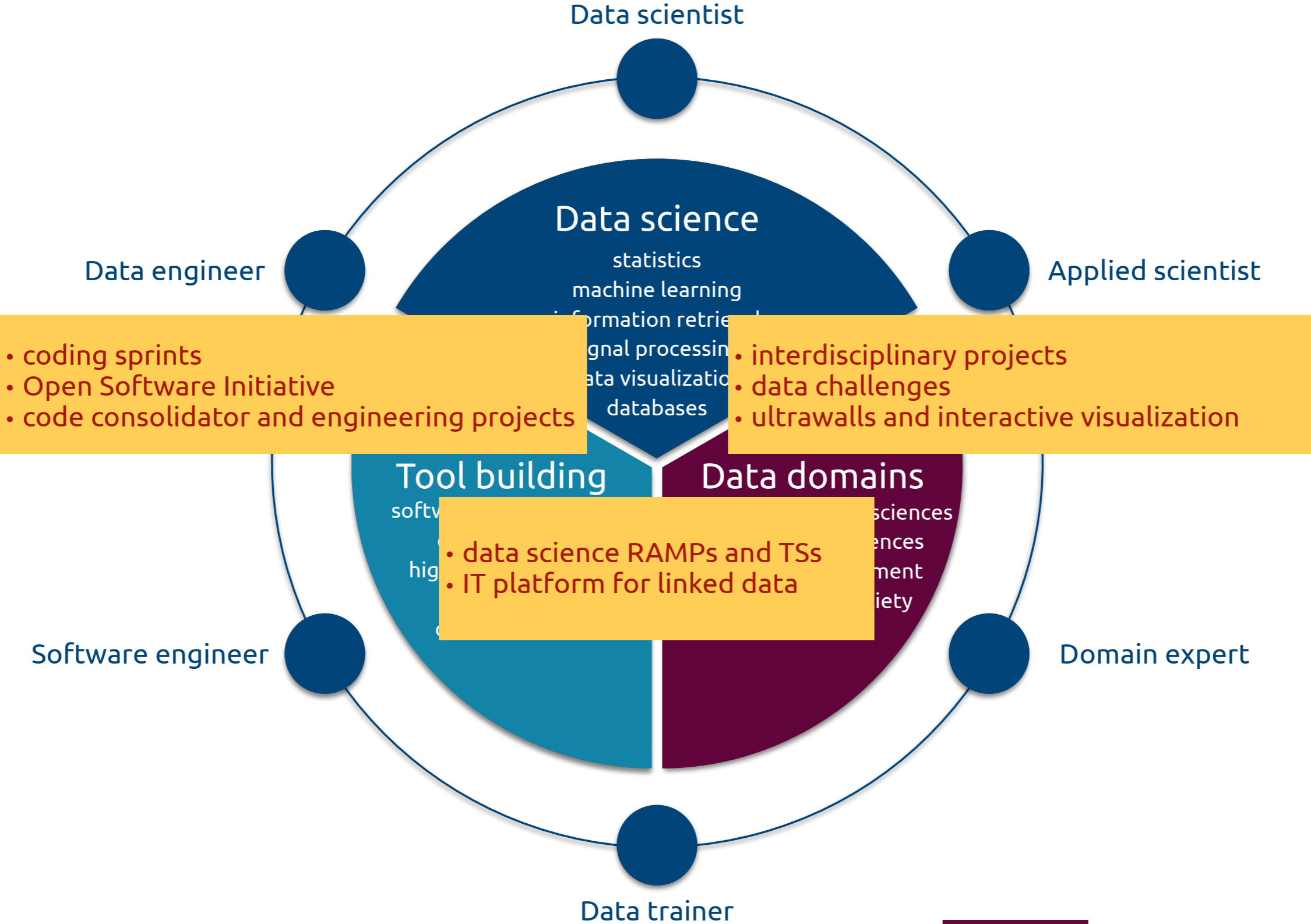
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CDS: A SET OF INNOVATIVE TOOLS AND PROCESSES TO CONNECT COMMUNITIES, TO LAUNCH AND ACCOMPANY PROJECTS



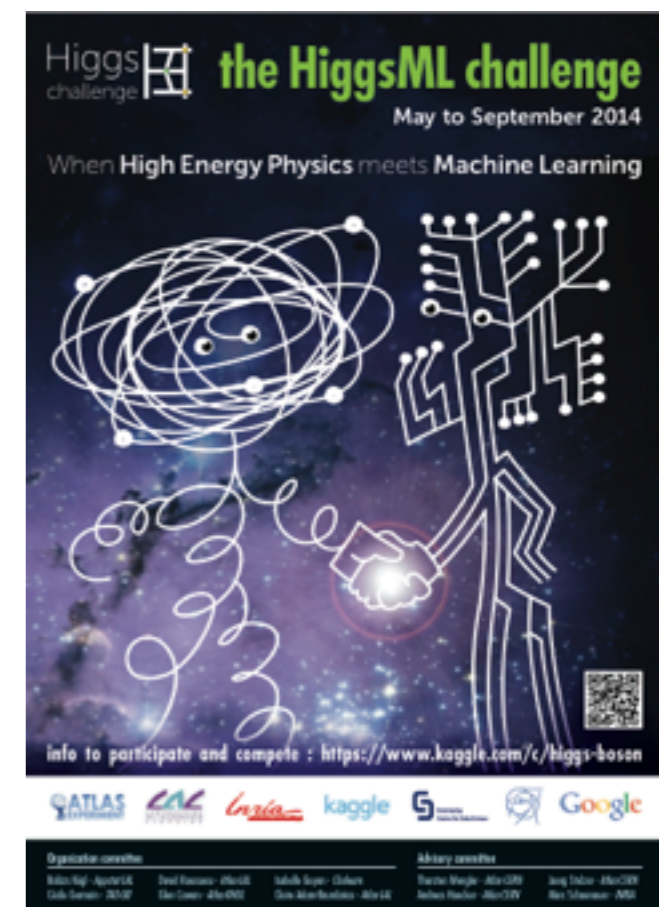
TWO **ANALYTICS TOOLS** FOR INITIATING DOMAIN-DATA SCIENCE INTERACTIONS

DATA CHALLENGES

RAPID ANALYTICS AND MODEL PROTOTYPING (RAMP)

DATA CHALLENGES

- A **data challenge** is a **dissemination/communication/crowdsourcing** tool
 - a scientific or industrial **data producer** arrives with a **well-defined problem** and a corresponding **annotated data set**
 - defines a **quantitative goal**
 - makes the **problem** and part of the data set (the **training set**) **public** on a **dedicated site**
 - **data science experts** then take the public training data and **submit solutions (predictions)** for a **test set** with hidden annotations
 - submissions are **evaluated numerically** using the **quantitative measure**
 - contestants are listed on a **leaderboard**
 - after a **predefined time**, typically a couple of months, the **final results** are revealed and the **winners are awarded**

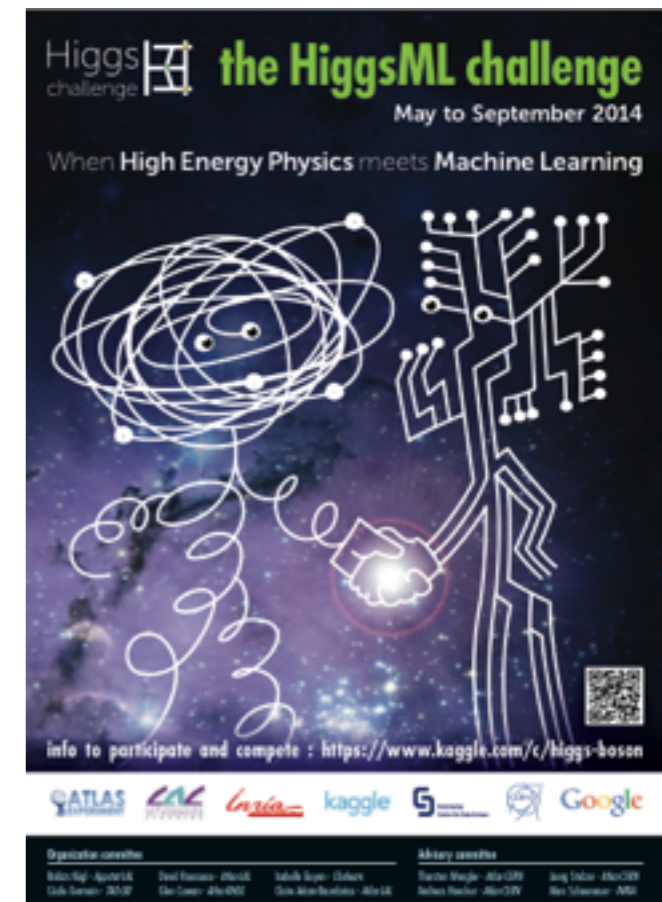


DATA CHALLENGES



- The **HiggsML** challenge on **Kaggle**

- <https://www.kaggle.com/c/higgs-boson>



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Higgs Boson Machine Learning Challenge

Mon 12 May 2014 – Mon 15 Sep 2014 (21 days ago)

[Dashboard](#)

Private Leaderboard - Higgs Boson Machine Learning Challenge

This competition has completed. This leaderboard reflects the final standings.

See someone using multiple accounts?
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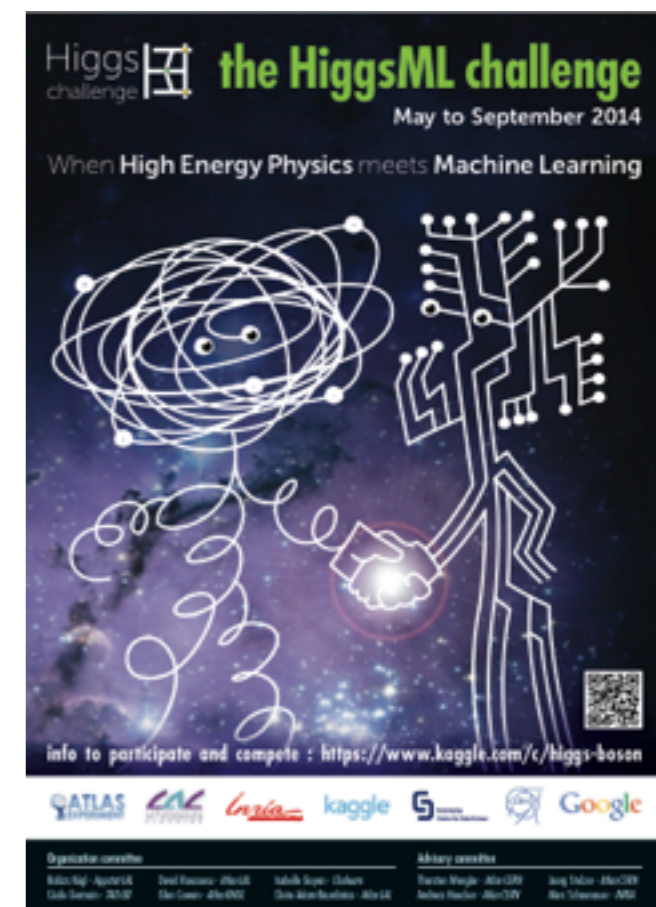
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2	↓1	Tim Salimans ‡ *	3.78913	57	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 23:49:02 (-40.6d)
3	—	nhlx5haze ‡ *	3.78682	254	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 16:50:01 (-76.3d)

SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT OVER THE BASELINE

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3	—	nhlx5haze ‡ *	3.78682	254	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 16:50:01 (-76.3d)
4	↑55	ChoKo Team 🏆	3.77526	216	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 15:21:36 (-42.1h)
5	↑23	cheng chen	3.77384	21	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 23:29:29 (-0h)
6	↓2	quantify	3.77086	8	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 16:12:48 (-7.3h)
7	↑73	Stanislav Semenov & Co (HSE Yandex)	3.76211	68	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 20:19:03
8	↓1	Luboš Motl's team 🏆	3.76050	589	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 08:38:49 (-1.6h)
9	↓1	Roberto-UCIIM	3.75864	292	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 23:44:42 (-44d)
10	↑5	Davut & Josef 🏆	3.75838	161	Mon, 15 Sep 2014 23:24:32 (-4.5d)
990	↓65	sandy	3.20546	5	Fri, 29 Aug 2014 18:14:30 (-0.7h)
991	↓65	Rem.	3.19956	2	Mon, 16 Jun 2014 21:53:43 (-30.4h)
		📍 simple TMVA boosted trees	3.19956		
992	↓65	Xiaohu SUN	3.19956	3	Tue, 03 Jun 2014 13:14:47
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DATA CHALLENGES

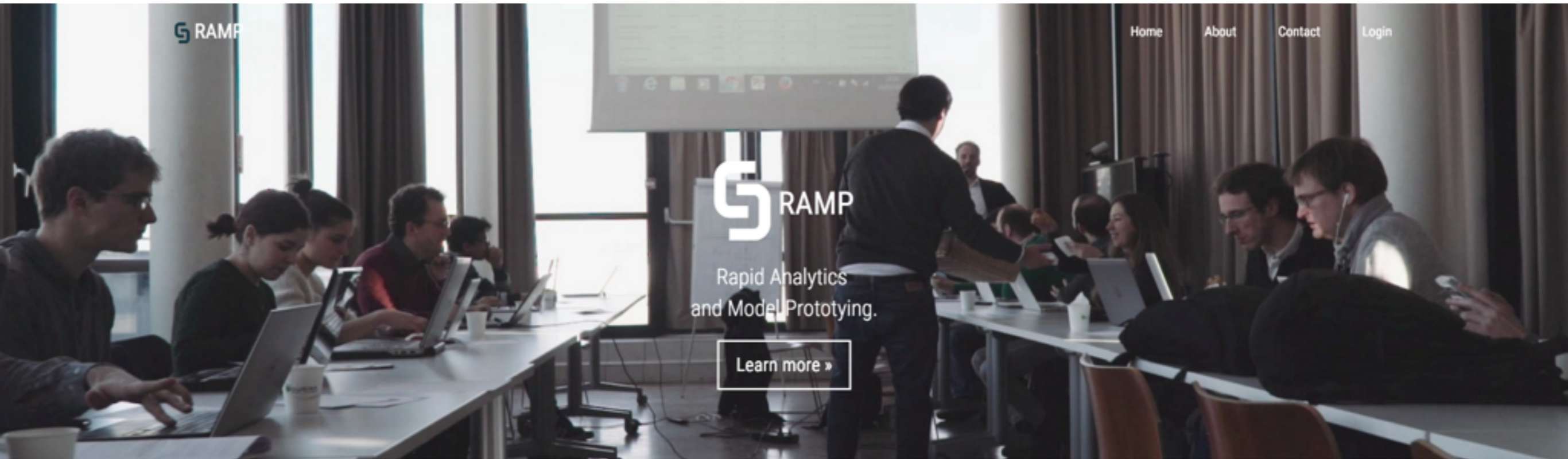
- Challenges are useful for
 - generating **visibility** in the **data science community** about **novel application domains**
 - **benchmarking** in a fair way **state-of-the-art techniques** on **well-defined problems**
 - **finding** talented **data scientists**
- Limitations
 - **not** necessary **adapted** to solving **complex** and **open-ended** data science problems in **realistic environments**
 - no direct access to **solutions** and **data scientist**
 - emphasizes **competition**



We decided to design something better

RAPID ANALYTICS AND MODEL PROTOTYPING (RAMP)

<http://www.ramp.studio>



Collaborative prototyping

During the RAMP, the participants submit predictive solutions (code). The models are trained on our back-end. The scores are displayed on a leaderboard. All participants have access to all code, and they are encouraged to look at and to reuse each other's solutions. This accelerates the development process since good ideas spread fast.



Training

A great tool to learn data science! RAMPs are used in the MS Big Data at Telecom ParisTech, in three UPSaclay M2 programs (Data Science, AIC, Data and Knowledge), in a course on Machine Learning for Finance and Economics at Université Panthéon-Assas, in a graduate course in the Data analysis and decision program at Ecole Centrale de Lille.



Networking

Each RAMP attracts about 30-50 participants, coming from different backgrounds and carrier stages, who usually meet for the first time. They develop a working relationship in a relaxed environment, and sometimes keep working together after the event.

RAMPS

- Single-day **coding sessions**
 - **20-40** participants
 - **preparation** is similar to challenges
- **Goals**
 - **focusing** and **motivating** top talents
 - promoting **collaboration**, **speed**, and **efficiency**
 - **solving** (prototyping) **real** problems

ANALYTICS TOOLS TO PROMOTE COLLABORATION AND CODE REUSE



RAMP

Rapid Analytics and Model Prototyping

El Nino prediction

Leaderboard

rank	team	model	commit	score ▲	contributivity	train time	test time
1	CloudySunset	more_samples	2015-09-26 22:46:36	0.4336	6	95	0
2	slay	oceanmask	2015-09-26 22:46:52	0.4377	1	26	3
3	slay	grd_gbrs	2015-09-26 21:47:10	0.4390	0	30	3
4	ChrisFarley	gbr_1	2015-09-26 22:41:37	0.4390	0	30	3
5	slay	alleqlags	2015-09-26 22:48:12	0.4437	0	64	24
6	slay	detrend	2015-09-26 22:50:58	0.4437	0	66	26
7	slay_new	simplified	2015-09-26 23:43:47	0.4437	0	74	28
8	CloudySunset	tdiff_box	2015-09-26 22:21:24	0.4450	13	19	0
9	VESP	kernel-pca-elastic-net	2015-09-26 22:28:20	0.4480	11	20	2
10	slay	grd_gbr	2015-09-26 21:42:13	0.4520	0	21	3
11	CloudySunset	sd_fix_2	2015-09-26 23:59:55	0.4537	0	108	2
12	VESP	kernel-pca-linear-regression	2015-09-26 22:22:38	0.4550	1	24	2
13	VESP	kernel-pca-sea-mask	2015-09-26 22:24:27	0.4555	3	23	2
14	Earth	hyper	2015-09-27 08:58:40	0.4583	0	67	2
15	CloudySunset	more_short	2015-09-26 21:34:30	0.4653	0	17	0
16	slay	lagtemps_gbr	2015-09-26 21:15:25	0.4723	0	14	2

ANALYTICS TOOL TO PROMOTE COLLABORATION AND CODE REUSE

Hi Balazs!

Sandbox

You can either edit and save the code in the left column or upload the files in the right column. You can also import code from other submissions when the leaderboard links are open.

Edit and save your code!

ts_feature_extractor

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import xarray as xr
3
4
5 class FeatureExtractor(object):
6
7     def __init__(self):
8         pass
9
10    def transform(self, X_ds):
11        """Compute the vector of input variables at time t. Spatial variables will
12        be concatenated."""
13        # This is the range for which features should be provided. Strip
14        # the burn-in from the beginning and the prediction look-ahead from
15        # the end.
16        valid_range = np.arange(X_ds.attrs['n_burn_in'], len(X_ds['time']))
17        # We convert the Dataset into a 4D DataArray
18        X_xr = X_ds.to_array()
19        # We convert it into np array, put the t axis first
20        X_array_t_first = np.swapaxes(X_xr.values, 0, 1)
21        shape = X_array_t_first.shape
22
23        # We reshape it to create a matrix per time step and slice the valid part

```

regressor

```

1 from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression

```

Upload your files!

File list

- ts_feature_extractor.py
- regressor.py

Upload file

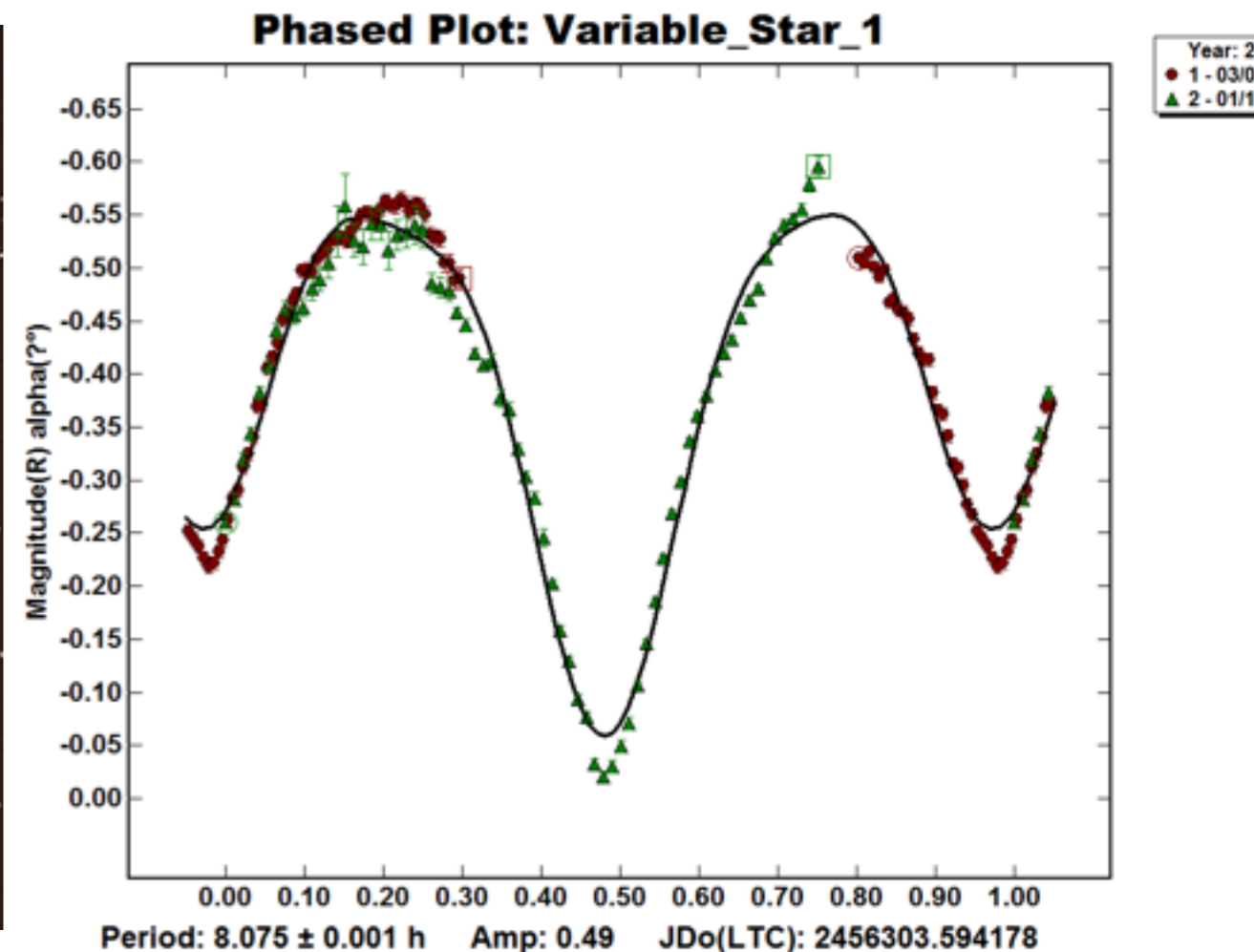
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2015 Apr 10

Classifying **variable stars**



VARIABLE STARS



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Variable star type
prediction

Leaderboard

rank	team	model	commit	score \uparrow	contributivity	train time	test time
1	LesTortuesNinja	gp_fixed_3	2015-04-11 00:48:59	0.9621	19	117	103
2	agramfort	gp_rf30_adaboost10_v2	2015-04-10 14:30:50	0.9596	3	117	104
3	Overfitters	stack_wavelet	2015-04-10 17:03:27	0.9588	6	313	132
4	Madclam	second_try_w_gp	2015-04-10 13:11:38	0.9588	0	136	111
5	Overfitters	gp_gradientDescentClassifier	2015-04-10 10:44:26	0.9588	1	134	109
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7	delphine	feature_selection	2015-04-10 14:46:38	0.9577	4	117	109
8	delphine	first_test	2015-04-10 13:18:41	0.9574	1	127	110
9	bekou	fifthattempt	2015-04-10 17:33:31	0.9563	2	134	114
10	agramfort	gp_rf_adaboost_v3_gp_fix	2015-04-10 17:30:16	0.9555	1	93	84
11	anon	try_04_ab_gbc	2015-04-10 18:01:31	0.9552	2	149	101
12	bekou	firstmodel	2015-04-10 13:56:21	0.9550	4	146	116
13	2AN	eleventh	2015-04-10 16:40:54	0.9544	0	123	106
14	2AN	ninth	2015-04-10 16:38:22	0.9544	3	119	112
15	2AN	twelve	2015-04-10 16:40:54	0.9544	0	124	108
16	LesTortuesNinja	gp_2	2015-04-09 10:53:57	0.9544	0	134	117
17	Madclam	second_try_w_gp	2015-04-10 13:11:38	0.9544	0	136	111
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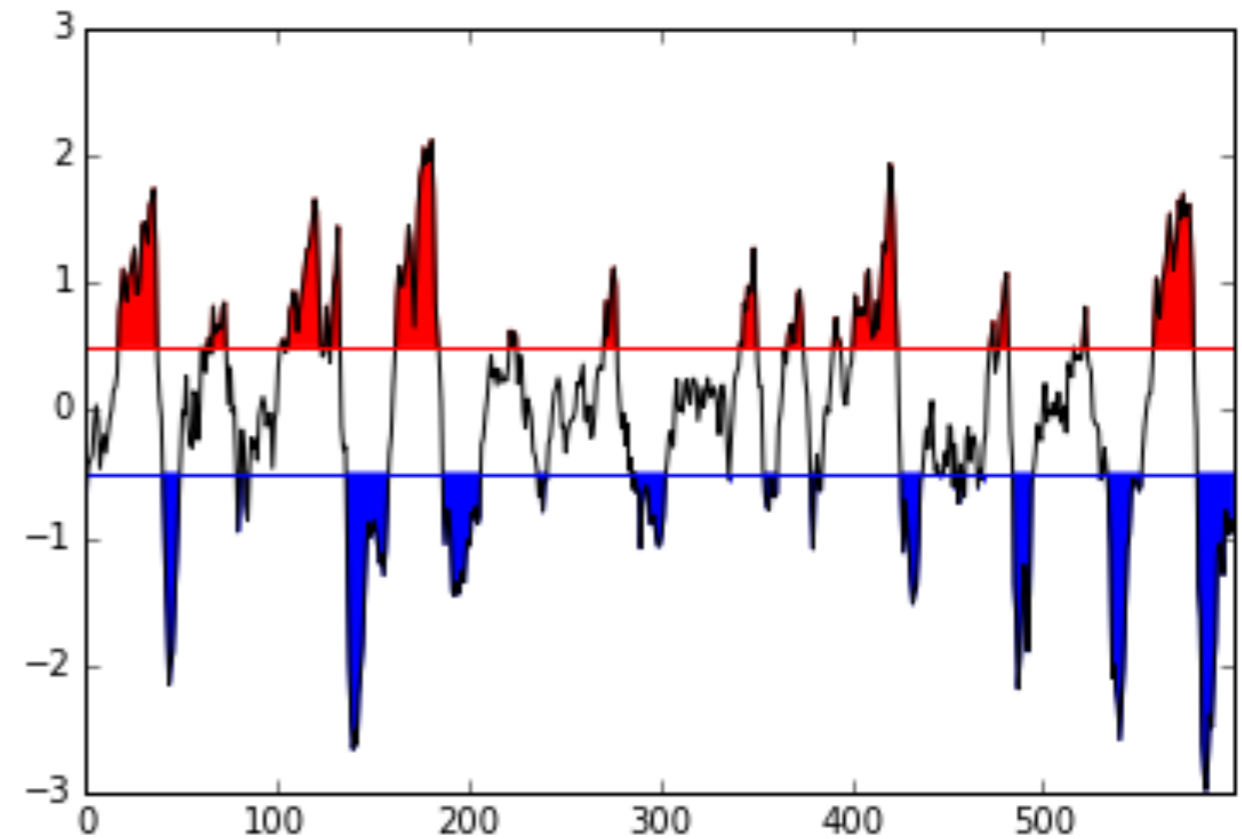
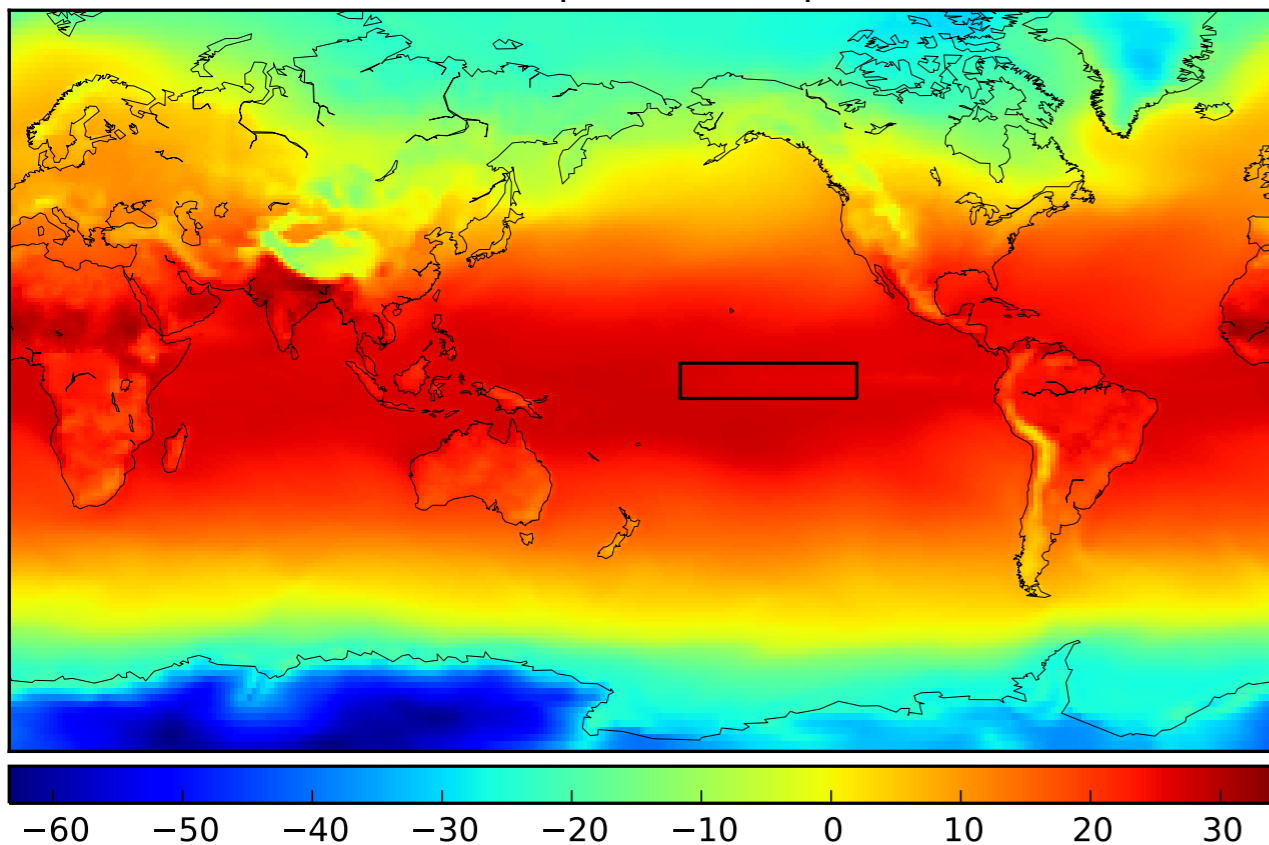
accuracy improvement: 89% to 96%

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2015 June 16 and Sept 26

Predicting **El Nino**

Temperature map



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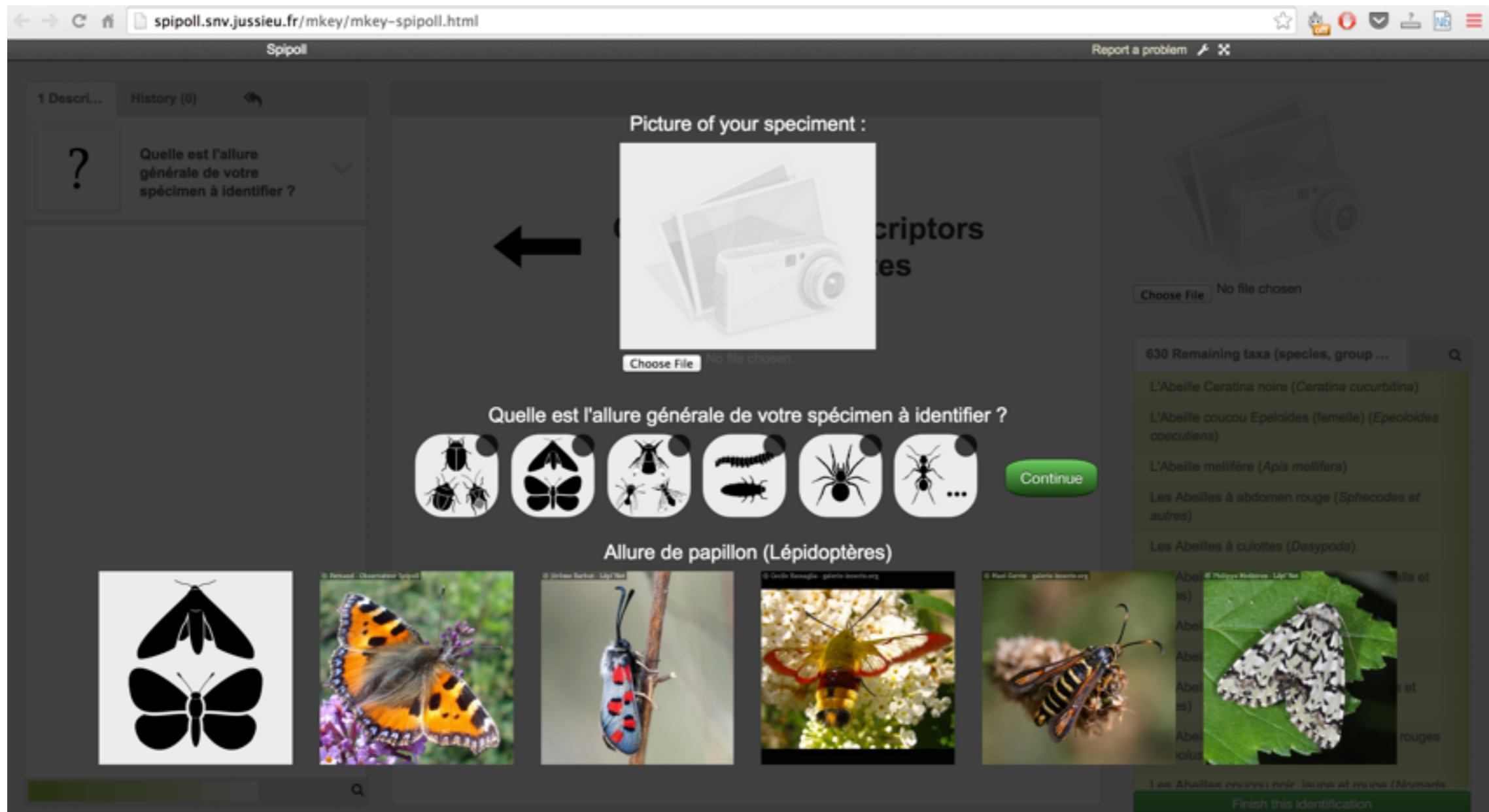
error improvement: 0.9°C to 0.4°C

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15	CloudySunset	more_short	2015-09-26 21:34:30	0.4653	0	17	0
16	slay	lagtemps_gbr	2015-09-26 21:15:25	0.4723	0	14	2
17	slay	galapagos	2015-09-26 22:05:54	0.4725	0	17	2
18	CloudySunset	gbr_world_2	2015-09-26 19:37:38	0.4756	0	11	0

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2015 October 8

Insect classification



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**Pollenating insect
classification**

Leaderboard

rank	team	model	commit	score \uparrow	contributivity	train time	test time
1	Florian	yousra_with_flip_rotation_gaussian_windo[...]	2015-10-08 18:11:52	0.7194	30	3735	1
2	Florian	yousra_with_flip_rotation_gaussian_windo[...]	2015-10-08 17:20:19	0.6812	2	2646	1
3	Issam	rotation_noreg_yousra_first_3	2015-10-08 17:31:38	0.6801	15	1235	1
4	Brutti	small_rot_fix	2015-10-08 18:01:18	0.6654	17	3757	1

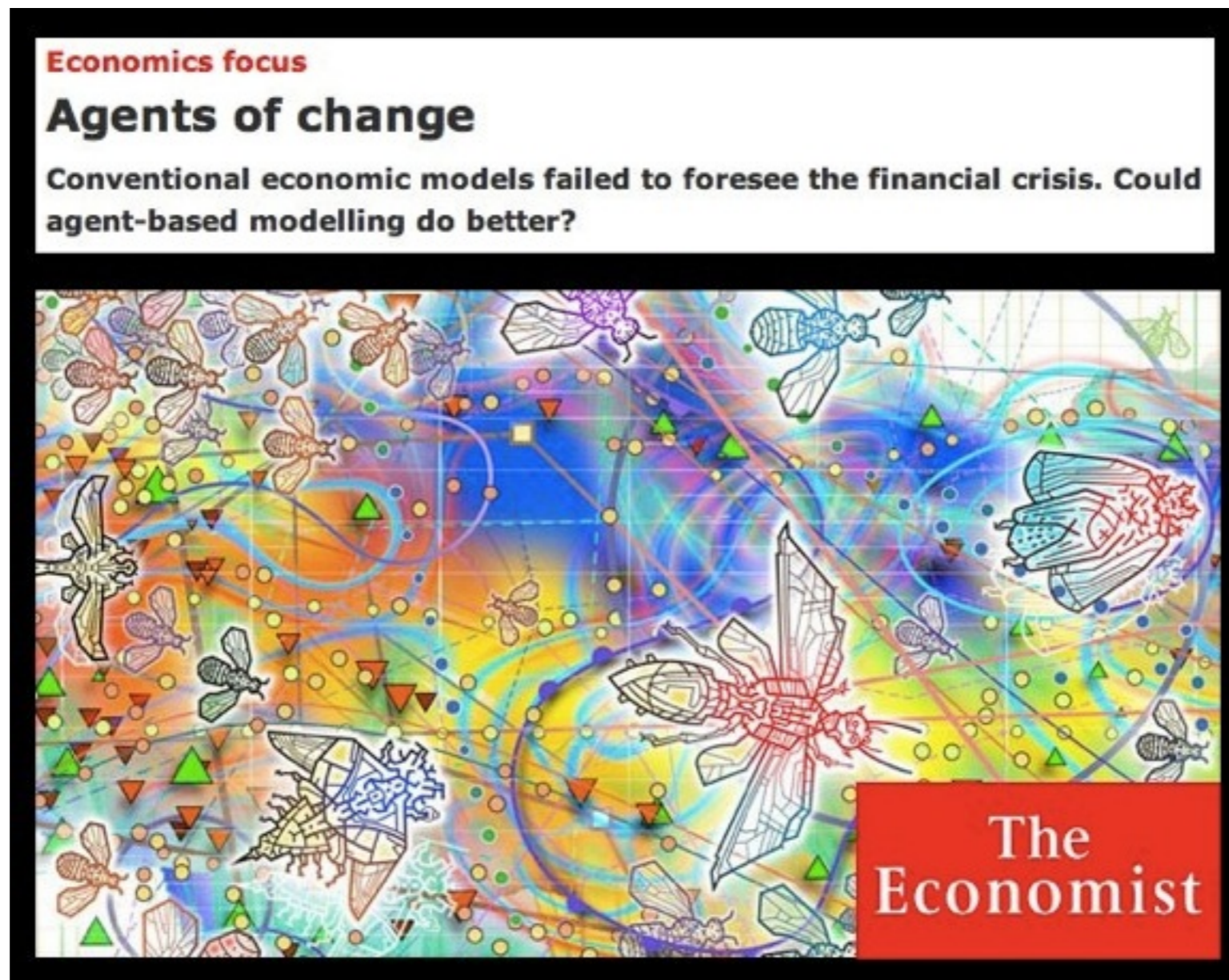
accuracy improvement: 30% to 70%

8	Issam	rotation_regularization_yousra_first_4	2015-10-08 17:32:54	0.6577	1	1758	1
9	Brutti	small_rot	2015-10-08 17:26:27	0.6575	3	3066	1
10	Issam	rotation_regularization_yousra_first_3	2015-10-08 17:32:54	0.6531	5	1531	1
11	YousraB	yousra_yousra	2015-10-08 17:17:38	0.6461	0	609	1
12	lambdacoder	model_4	2015-10-08 16:27:11	0.6440	0	567	1
13	lambdacoder	model_5	2015-10-08 17:04:03	0.6364	0	613	1
14	wa_team	wa_round_crop	2015-10-08 17:39:35	0.6357	0	660	1
15	Florian	hedi2_flip_rotation_crop	2015-10-08 14:26:47	0.6271	0	1210	1
16	lambdacoder	model_9	2015-10-08 18:10:17	0.6245	6	1756	1
17	Tony	noisy_batch2	2015-10-08 18:01:34	0.6207	3	895	1
18	MatW	rotation_8	2015-10-08 17:08:01	0.6198	0	2016	1

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2016 February 10

Macroeconomic agent-based models



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Macroeconomic ABM surrogate

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Combined score: 0.634

Combined test score: 0.633

Leaderboard

team	submission	score \uparrow	contributivity	train time	test time	submitted at (UTC)
yousra_bekhti	Last Try	0.628	26	147	2	2016-02-10 15:41:34 Wed
tom_dupre	magic	0.623	21	143	2	2016-02-10 16:21:01 Wed
djalel_benbouzid	warmup	0.613	10	42	3	2016-02-10 14:08:21 Wed
f1-score improvement: 0.57 to 0.63						
eric_vansteenbergh	pompape_de_code	0.616	4	180	2	2016-02-10 15:24:46 Wed
sami_sakly	Combination_2	0.624	3	116	2	2016-02-10 13:43:44 Wed
gael_varoquaux	sandbox_4	0.598	3	339	3	2016-02-10 13:30:03 Wed
camille_marini	test1	0.596	3	95	13	2016-02-10 10:31:53 Wed
damien_mourot	wa_chained_clf	0.589	2	23	4	2016-02-10 09:54:49 Wed
camille_marini	test0	0.587	2	76	12	2016-02-10 09:50:14 Wed
agramfort	DontAsk	0.527	0	265	2	2016-02-10 12:35:34 Wed
charles_truong	wesh alors 2	0.505	0	66	2	2016-02-10 12:26:22 Wed
camille_marini	test4	0.602	0	346	13	2016-02-10 12:37:04 Wed
mohammed_azougarh	test_2	0.614	0	96	1	2016-02-10 13:06:47 Wed
mainak_jas	clone_alex	0.619	0	290	3	2016-02-10 12:25:26 Wed

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2016 February 13

Epidemiology cancer survival rate



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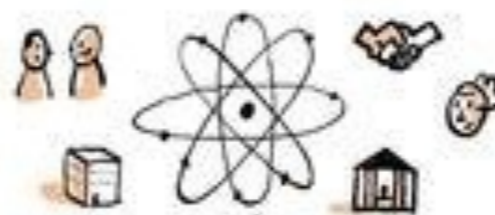
Objectif : Prédire le taux de mortalité d'une trentaine de cancers différents



85+ pays / 300+ régions
30+ années / 100+ Variables



Experts et non-experts en machine learning



10+ experts en épidémiologie et santé publique

Développé par le Paris-Saclay Center for Data Science et l'Ecole des Mines,

La RAMP est un outil pour la gestion des datathons et des data challenges en format de compétition / collaboration.



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Epidemium cancer rate prediction

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Combined score: 331.0

Combined test score: 260.0

Leaderboard

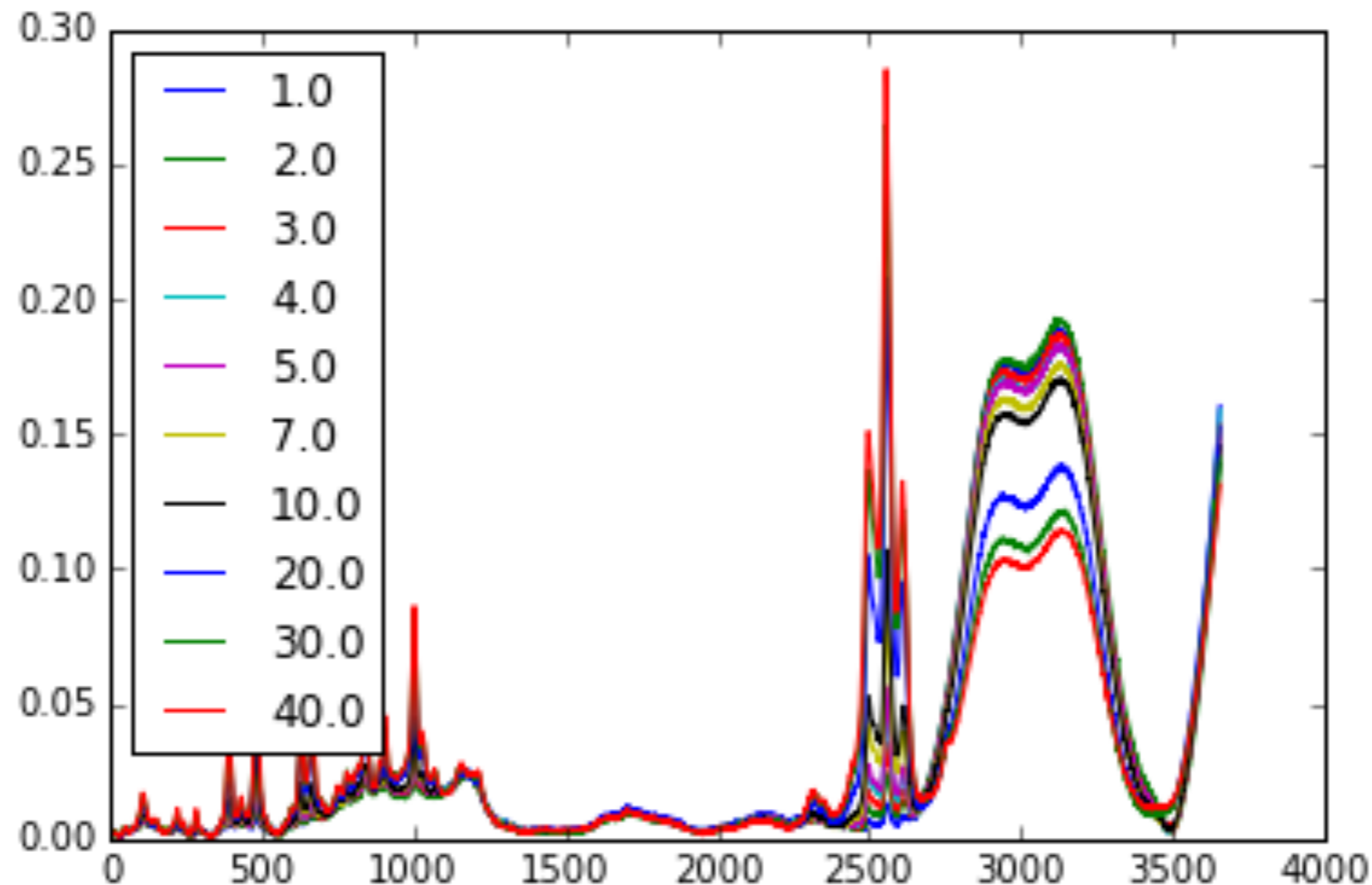
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mohamed_zenadi	sub_five	354.085	0	8488	103	2016-02-13 22:39:11 Sat
philippe_dagher	http://nasdag.org 33	355.675	3	15267	113	2016-02-16 15:58:27 Tue
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mohamed_zenadi	sub_one	538.127	0	311	7	2016-02-13 16:25:53 Sat
mohamed_zenadi	sub_three	540.534	0	31	5	2016-02-13 22:05:24 Sat
arthur_pesah	Test	760.474	0	21	1	2016-02-13 12:32:23 Sat
harizo_rajaona	ET_maxAbs_300	764.392	0	59	7	2016-02-13 16:23:12 Sat
alexander_mikheev	Alex4	767.241	3	36	3	2016-02-13 13:48:17 Sat
harizo_rajaona	ET_more_features	768.950	0	6	1	2016-02-13 14:11:00 Sat
harizo_rajaona	extra_trees	768.950	0	3	1	2016-02-13 13:19:48 Sat
vincent_dejouy	gb_add_feat	780.417	0	61	1	2016-02-13 14:51:35 Sat
finlouarn	Seb_Boosting_3	781.045	0	195	4	2016-02-13 16:39:26 Sat
vincent_reverdy	CeluiDeVincent	787.937	0	10	4	2016-02-13 16:25:39 Sat
vincent_dejouy	gb_feat_sel	800.087	0	72	1	2016-02-13 14:29:15 Sat
ayoub_el_bachiri	BabyForest2.1	809.721	0	8	1	2016-02-13 14:15:58 Sat

RMSE improvement: 3000 to 300

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2016 May 11

Drug identification from spectra



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Drug classification and concentration estimation from Raman spectra

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Combined score: 0.054

Drug identification error improvement: 9% to 3%

team	submission									submitted at (UTC)
TomDLT	minmax									2016-05-11 13:58:02 Wed
tomMoral	before_beer #TomWar	0.064	0.033	0.124	13	13	7	0		2016-05-11 15:43:39 Wed
tomMoral	y_avg #TomWar	0.065	0.035	0.127	6	3	5	0		2016-05-11 15:27:17 Wed
tomMoral	CleanCif_camille	0.065	0.036	0.124	26	8	7	0		2016-05-11 13:57:50 Wed
tomMoral	Refactor_#tv-battle	0.066	0.037	0.123	0	3	6	0		2016-05-11 13:42:44 Wed
TomDLT										13:42:52 Wed
harizo										13:03:42 Wed
victor_estrade										12:29:31 Wed
TomDLT										12:03:26 Wed
kegl										12:03:54 Wed
victor_estrade										12:50:29 Wed
victor_estrade										12:35:03 Wed
harizo	TomDLT+linreg	0.075	0.037	0.152	0	0	59	2		2016-05-11 15:02:51 Wed
harizo	linreg3000_OK	0.075	0.035	0.156	0	0	54	0		2016-05-11 13:42:56 Wed
TomDLT	blue	0.075	0.042	0.141	2	0	49	0		2016-05-11 12:47:13 Wed
tomMoral	Brand_new(TV)	0.076	0.037	0.154	0	0	49	0		2016-05-11 12:40:43 Wed
marcevrard	all_PCA	0.076	0.035	0.158	2	0	7	0		2016-05-11 14:51:49 Wed
TomDLT	before_break	0.077	0.039	0.153	2	17	54	0		2016-05-11 12:27:41 Wed
victor_estrade	robin_victor	0.079	0.037	0.164	0	0	4	0		2016-05-11 12:06:51 Wed
camille_marini	minmax	0.081	0.036	0.173	0	3	5	0		2016-05-11 13:33:21 Wed

Drug concentration accuracy improvement: 20% to 12%

THE RAMP TOOL

A **prototyping** tool for **collaborative** development of data science **workflows**

- **Fast development** of analytics solutions
- **Teaching** support
- **Networking**
- Support for **collaborative team work**

TAKE HOME MESSAGE

- We have **expertise** and **tools** to build and run data challenges
- It's not magic
 - needs **publicly available annotated data**
 - needs a **use case** and a **prediction pipeline**
- It gives you
 - **dissemination/communication**
 - **access** to (the time and expertise) of **data scientists**
 - **prototype** of optimized pipeline