

Fast Machine Learning

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Background

- Fast Machine Learning for Science Workshop was held 30 November – 3 December, hosted virtually by Southern Methodist University
 - Website available here: <https://indico.cern.ch/e/fml2020>
 - Workshop was interdisciplinary and attracted over 500 participants, talks on a wide variety of scientific applications.
 - Workshop also included a hands-on tutorial session, to get people started on applications of fast machine learning.
- After the workshop, a community white paper has been prepared, and was accepted to a special issue of Frontiers in AI

Shameless plug: Oct 3-6 in Dallas!
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Applications and Techniques for Fast Machine Learning in Science

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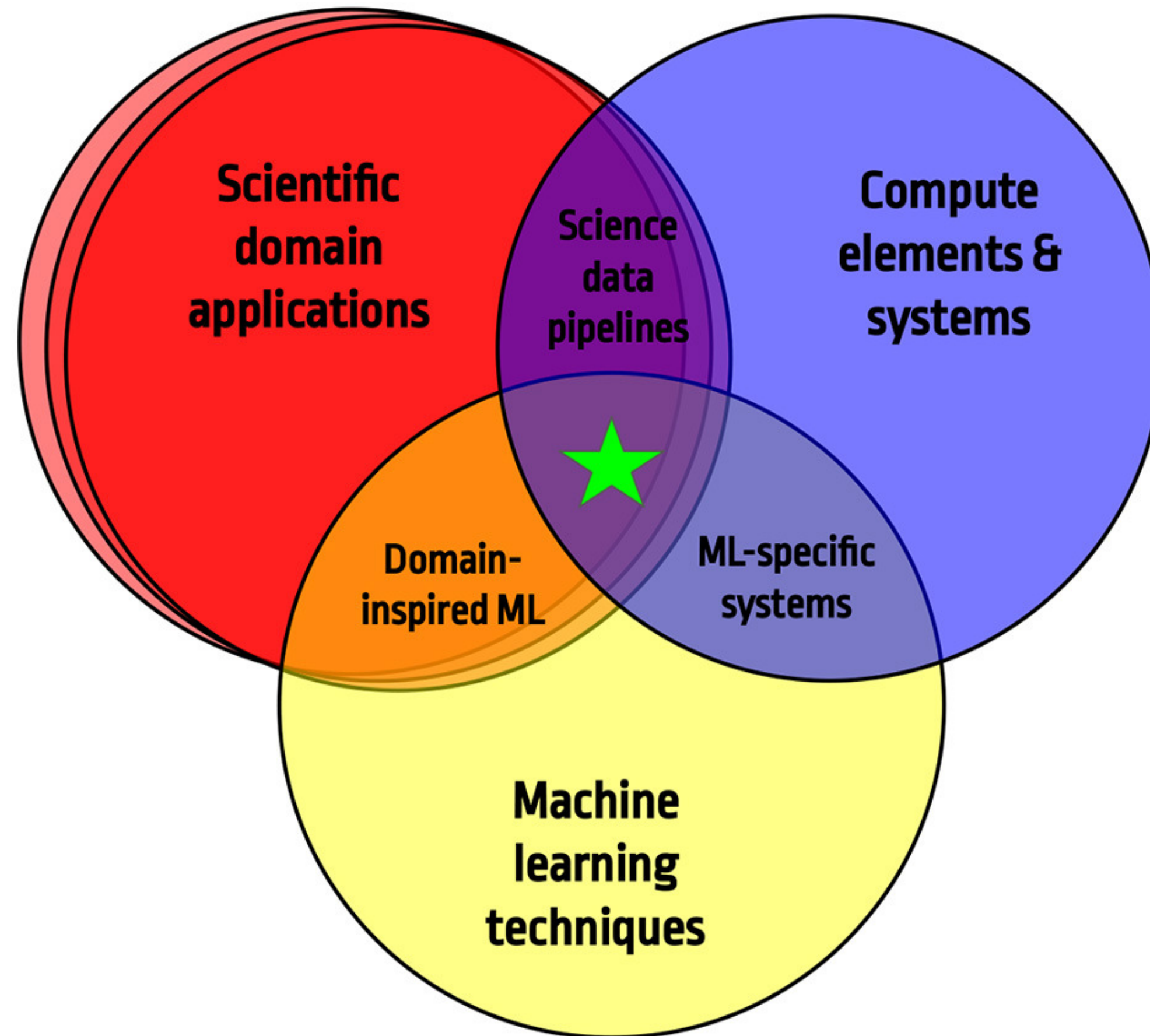
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Vision

BOX 1 | Fast machine learning in science.

Within this review paper, we refer to the concept of ***Fast Machine Learning in Science*** as the integration of ML into the experimental data processing infrastructure to enable and accelerate scientific discovery. Fusing powerful ML techniques with experimental design decreases the “time to science” and can range from embedding real-time feature extraction to be as close as possible to the sensor all the way to large-scale ML acceleration across distributed grid computing datacenters. The overarching theme is to lower the barrier to advanced ML techniques and implementations to make large strides in experimental capabilities across many seemingly different scientific applications. Efficient solutions require collaboration between domain experts, machine learning researchers, and computer architecture designers.

Vision

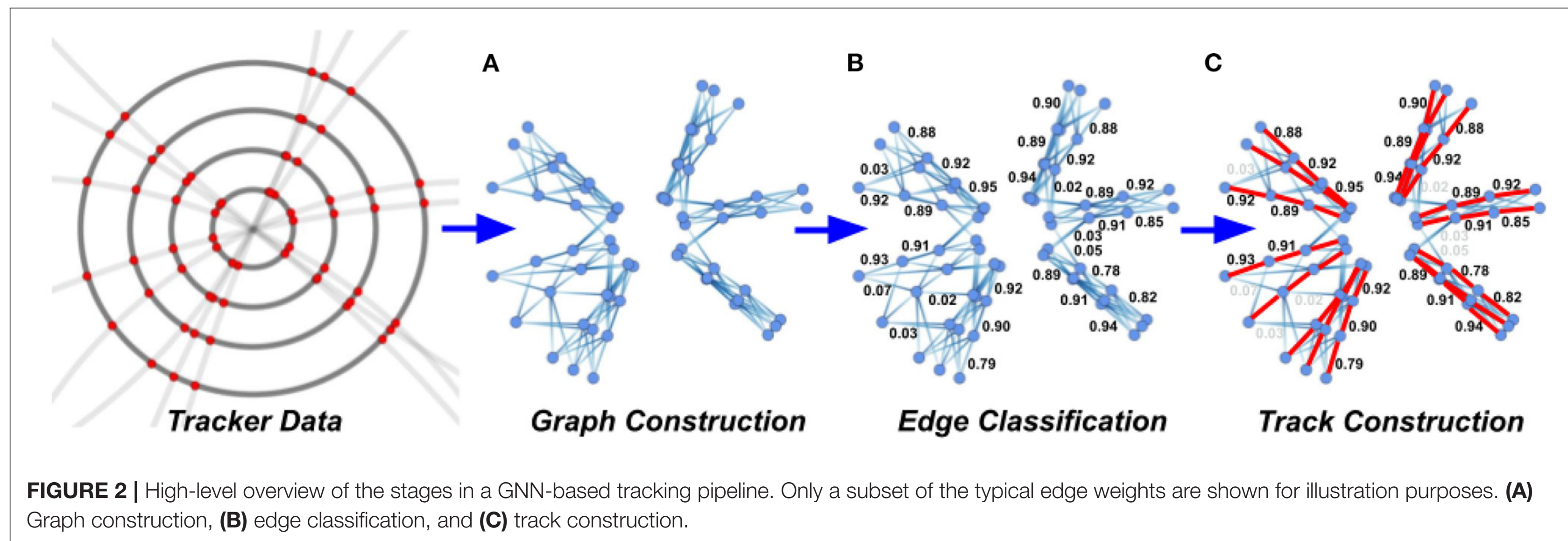


“Necessarily, such a broad scope of topics *cannot* be comprehensive. For the scientific domains, we note that the contributions are *examples* of how ML methods are currently being or planned to be deployed. We hope that giving a glimpse into specific applications will inspire readers to find more novel use-cases and potential overlaps. The summaries of state-of-the-art techniques we provide relate to rapidly developing fields and, as such, may become out of date relatively quickly. The goal is to give non-experts an overview and taxonomy of the different techniques and a starting point for further investigation. To be succinct, we rely heavily on providing references to studies and other overviews while describing most modern methods.”

Sec 2: Domain Exemplars

- Large section on Large Hadron Collider because it is a technology driver for this community:
 - Event Reconstruction
 - Event Simulation
 - Heterogeneous Computing
 - Real-Time Analysis at 40 MHz
 - Bringing ML to Detector Front-End

Example use cases are not comprehensive, but representative (unique physics challenge)

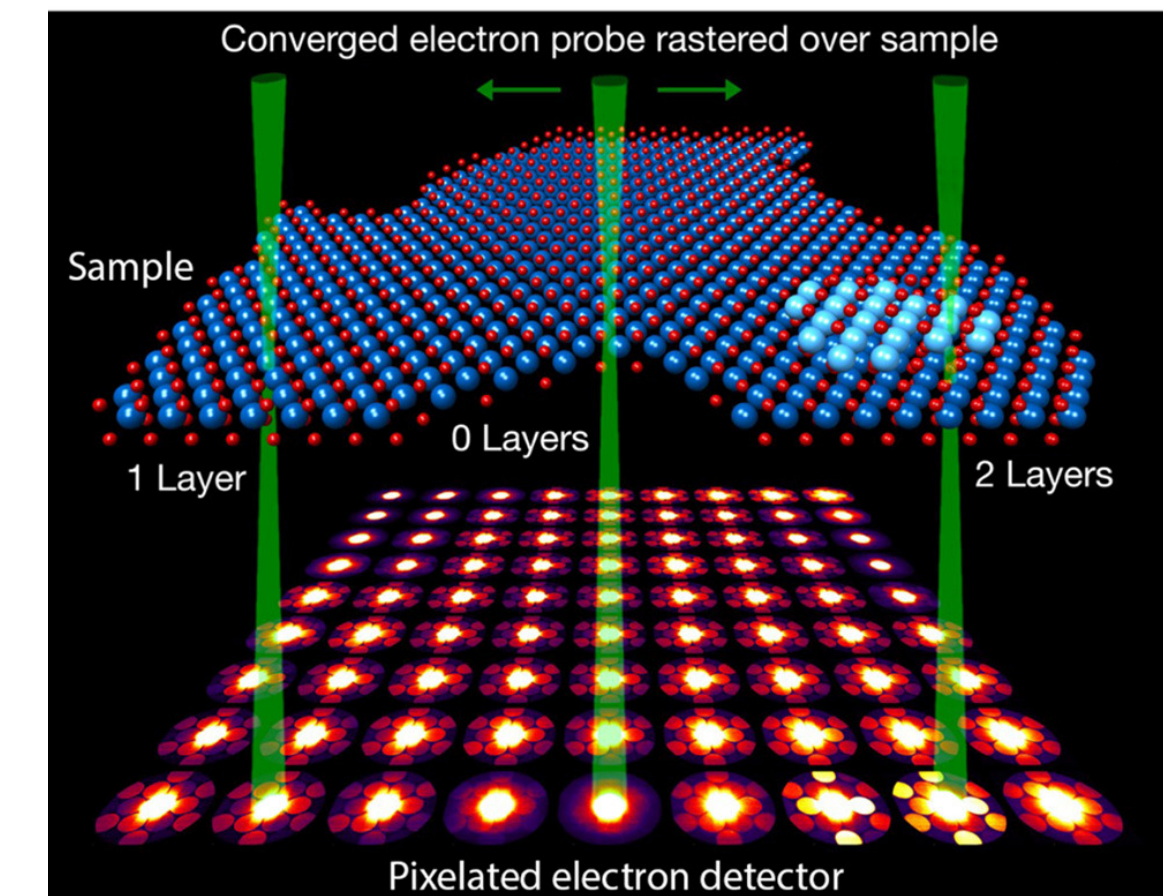
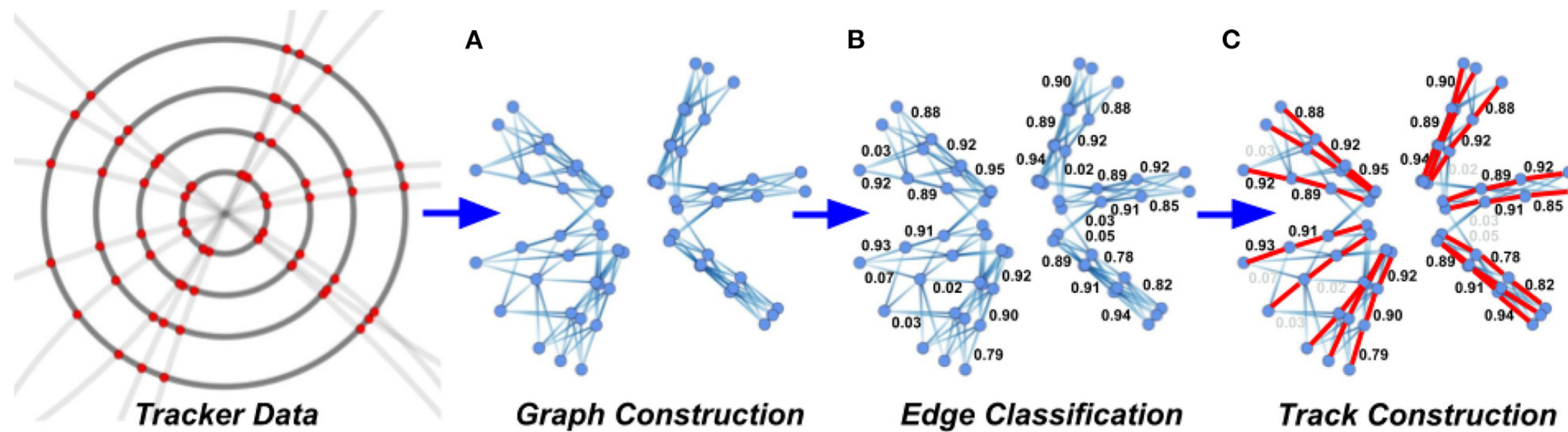
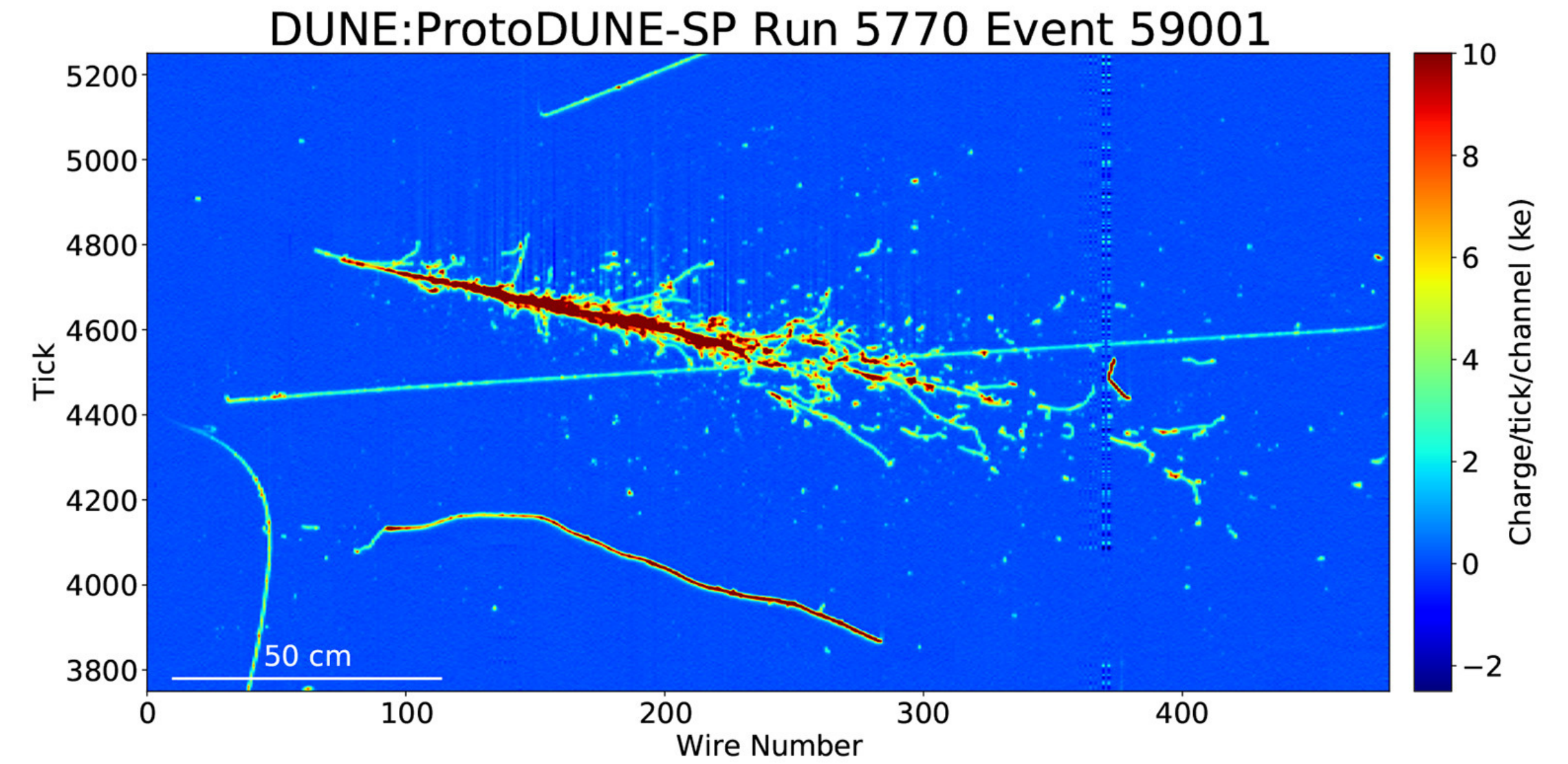
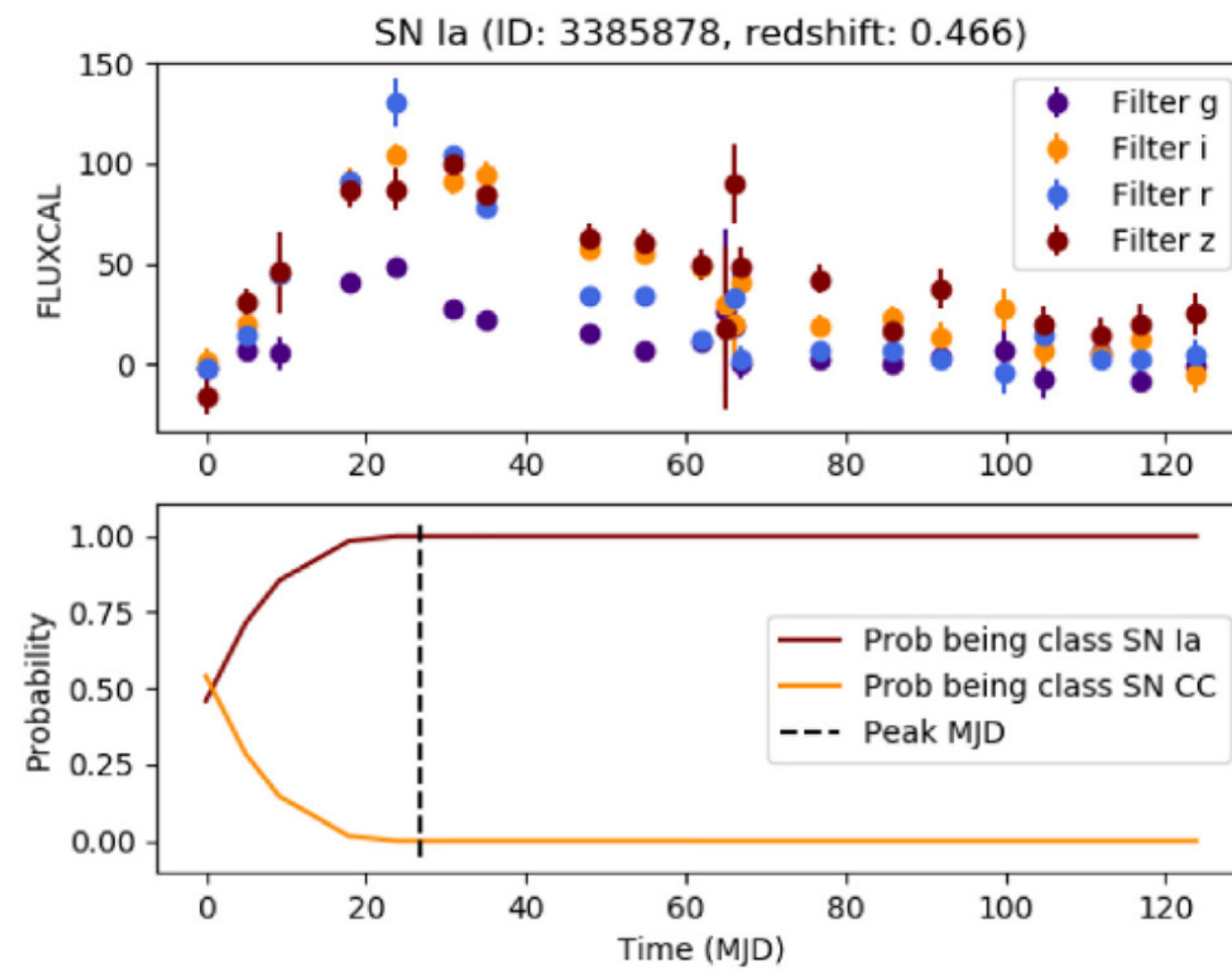


Exemplars of domain applications

- High-intensity Accelerators: Belle II, Mu2e
- Materials Discovery: Materials Synthesis, Scanning Probe Microscopy
- Fermilab Accelerator Controls
- Neutrino/Dark Matter Experiments: e.g. DUNE, MINERvA, Direct Detection Dark Matter
- Electron-Ion Collider
- Gravitational Waves
- Health: Biomedical Engineering and Health Monitoring
- Cosmology
- Plasma Physics
- Wireless Networking and Edge Computing

Post publishing - new domains called out including neuroscience and x-ray spectroscopy

Sec 3: Areas of overlap - representations



Areas of overlap - representations

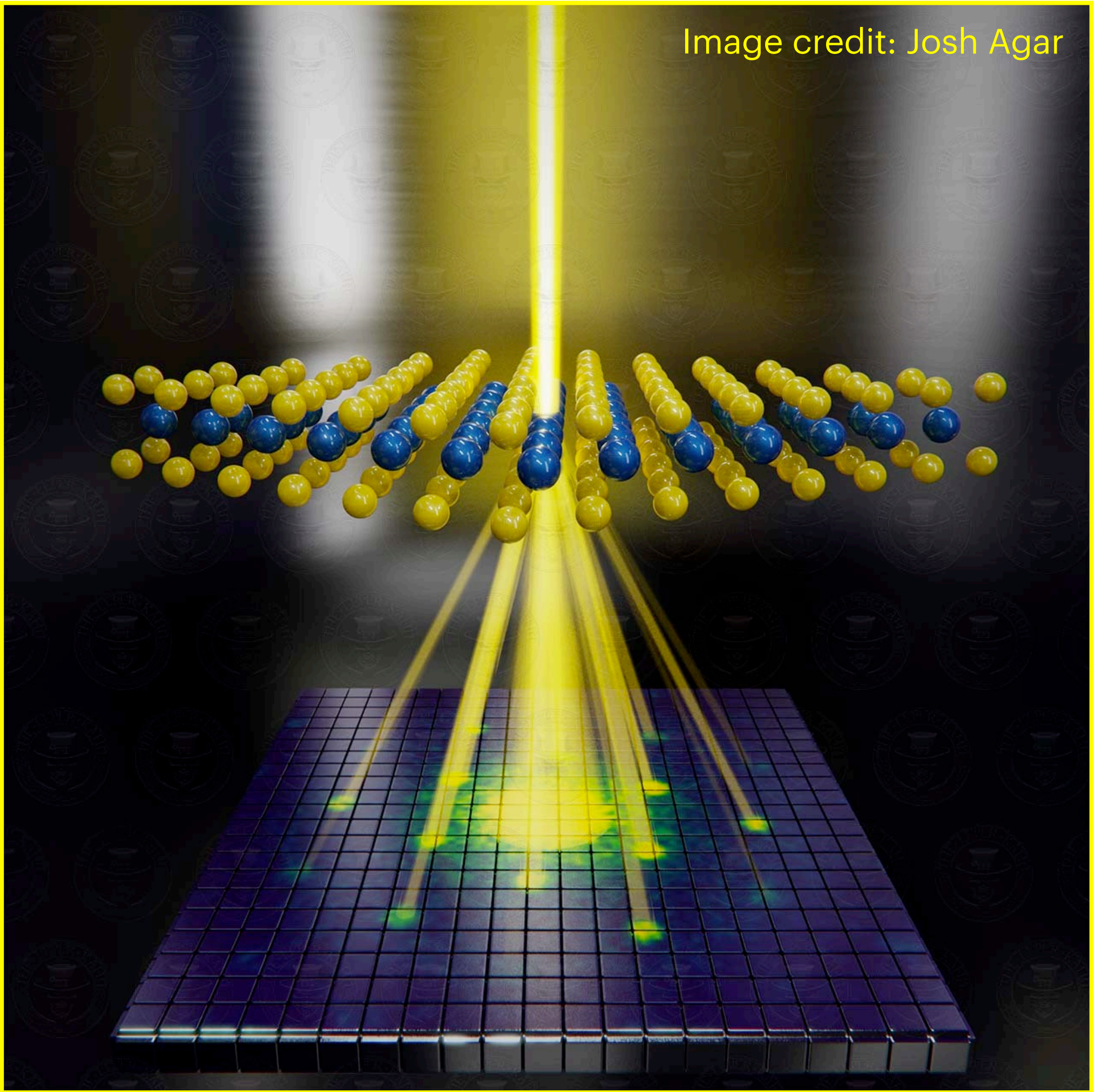
TABLE 1 | Types of data representations and their relevance for the scientific domains discussed in this paper; ✓✓ = Particularly important for domain, ✓ = Relevant for domain.

Domain	Spatial	Point cloud	Temporal	Spatio-Temporal	Multi/Hyper-spectral	Examples
LHC	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	—	Detector reconstruction
Belle-II/Mu2e	✓✓	✓✓	—	—	—	Track reconstruction
Material Synthesis	✓	—	✓	✓✓	✓✓	High-speed plasma imaging
Accelerator Controls	✓	—	✓✓	—	—	Beam sensors
Accelerator neutrino	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	—	Detector reconstruction
Direct detection DM	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	—	Energy signatures
EIC	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓	—	Detector reconstruction
Gravitational Waves	✓	—	✓✓	—	—	Laser inference patterns
Biomedical engineering	✓✓	—	—	✓✓	—	Cell and tissue images
Health Monitoring	✓	—	✓✓	✓	✓	Physiological sensor data
Cosmology	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓	✓✓	Lensing/radiation maps
Plasma Physics	✓	—	✓✓	✓	—	Detector actuator signals
Wireless networking	—	—	✓✓	—	—	Electromagnetic spectrum

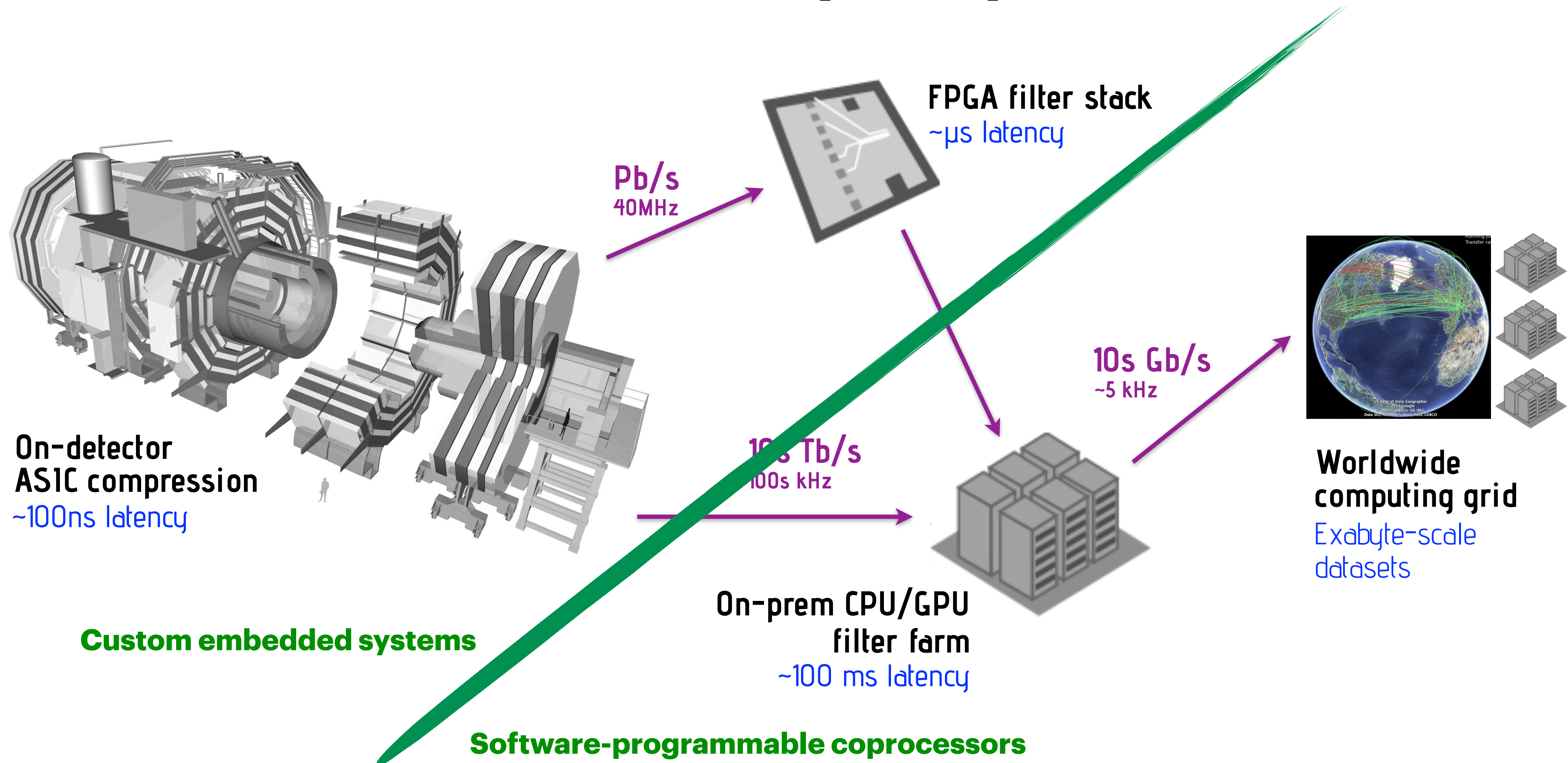
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Biomedical engineering	✓✓	—	—	✓✓
Health Monitoring	✓	—	✓✓	✓
Cosmology	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓
Plasma Physics	✓	—	✓✓	✓
Wireless networking	—	—	✓✓	—



Areas of overlaps - systems



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TABLE 2 | Domains and practical constraints: systems are broadly classified as soft (software-programmable computing devices: CPUs, GPUs, and TPUs) and custom (custom embedded computing devices: FPGAs and ASICs).

Domain	Event rate	Latency	Systems	Energy-constrained
Detection and event reconstruction				No
LHC and intensity frontier HEP	10s Mhz	ns-ms	Soft/custom	
Nuclear physics	10s kHz	ms	Soft	
Dark matter and neutrino physics	10s MHz	μ s	Soft/custom	
Image processing				
Material synthesis	10s kHz	ms	Soft/custom	
Scanning probe microscopy	kHz	ms	Soft/custom	
Electron microscopy	MHz	μ s	Soft/custom	
Biomedical engineering	kHz	ms	Soft/custom	Yes (mobile settings)
Cosmology	Hz	s	Soft	
Astrophysics	kHz–MHz	ms-us	Soft	Yes (remote locations)
Signal processing				
Gravitational waves	kHz	ms	Soft	
Health monitoring	kHz	ms	Custom	Yes
Communications	kHz	ms	Soft	Yes (mobile settings)
Control systems				
Accelerator controls	kHz	ms– μ s	Soft/custom	
Plasma physics	kHz	ms	Soft	

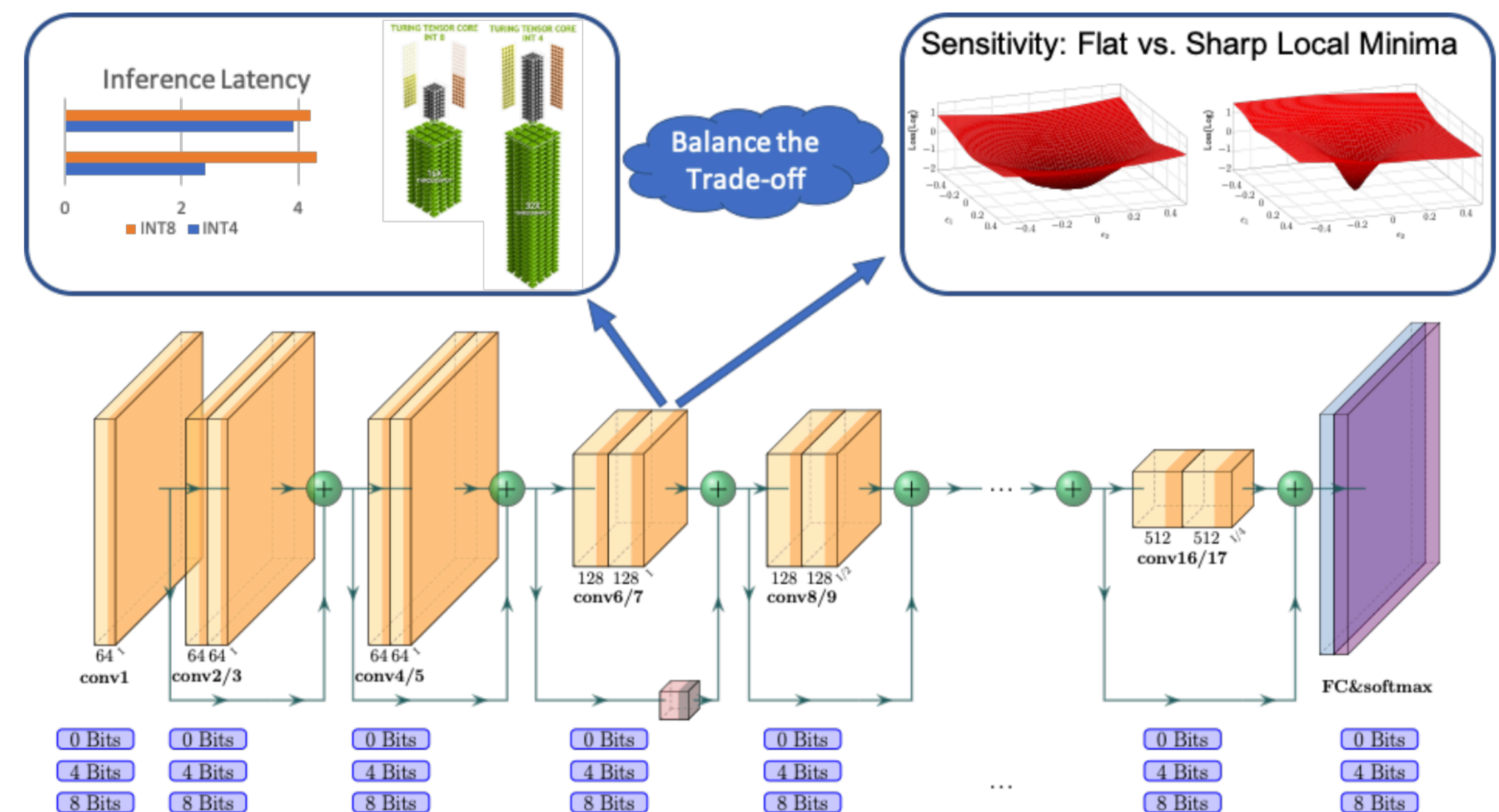
Areas of overlaps - feedback

TABLE 3 | Classification of domains and their system requirements with respect to real-time needs.

Domain	Real-time data reduction	Real-time analysis	Closed-loop control
Detection/Event reconstruction			
LHC	Yes	Yes	No
Nuclear physics	Yes	No	No
Dark matter-neutrino	Yes	No	No
Image processing			
Material synthesis	Yes	Yes	Yes
Scanning probe microscopy	Yes		
Electron microscopy	Yes		
Biomedical engineering	Yes		
Cosmology	Yes	No	No
Astrophysics	Yes	No	No
Signal processing			
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Plasma physics	Yes	Yes	Yes

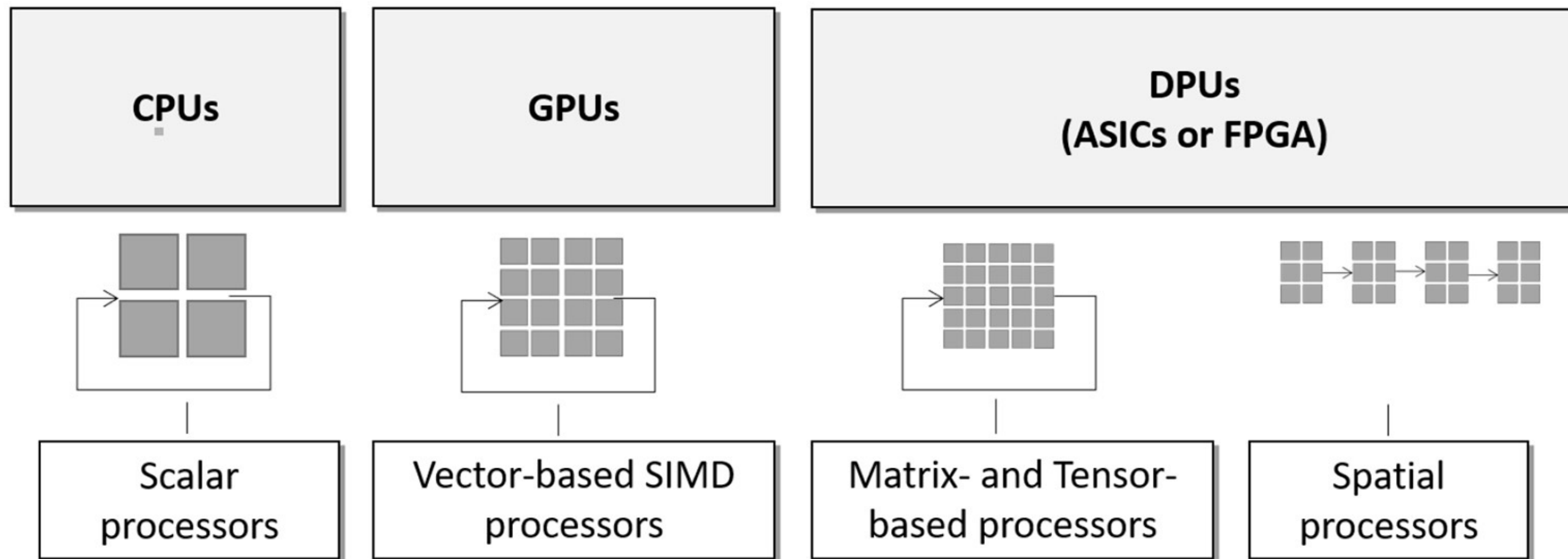
Sect 4: Efficient ML

- **A discussion of strategies for improving ML efficiency to enable lower latency**
 - Designing new efficient ML architectures
 - NN & hardware co-design
 - Quantization
 - Pruning and sparse inference
 - Knowledge distillation
- Discussion of automation of the NN architecture design process (Neural Architecture Search).
- **Not mentioned in WP but important!**
 - **Fault-tolerant, reliable ML**



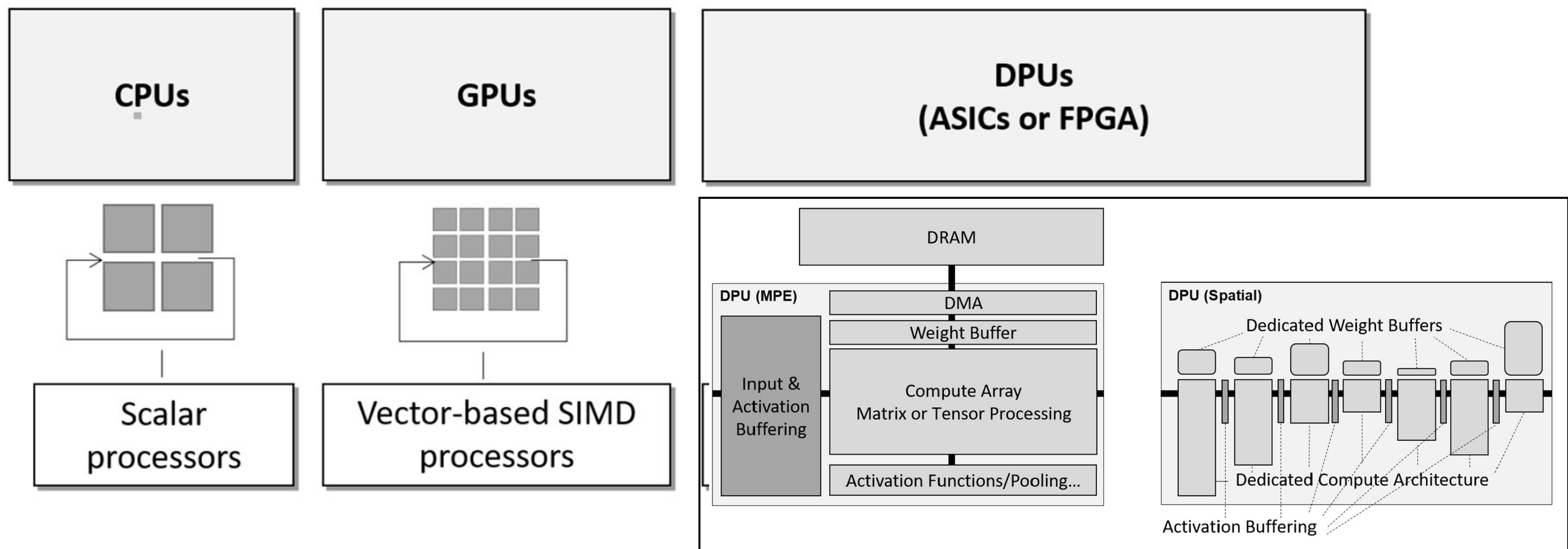
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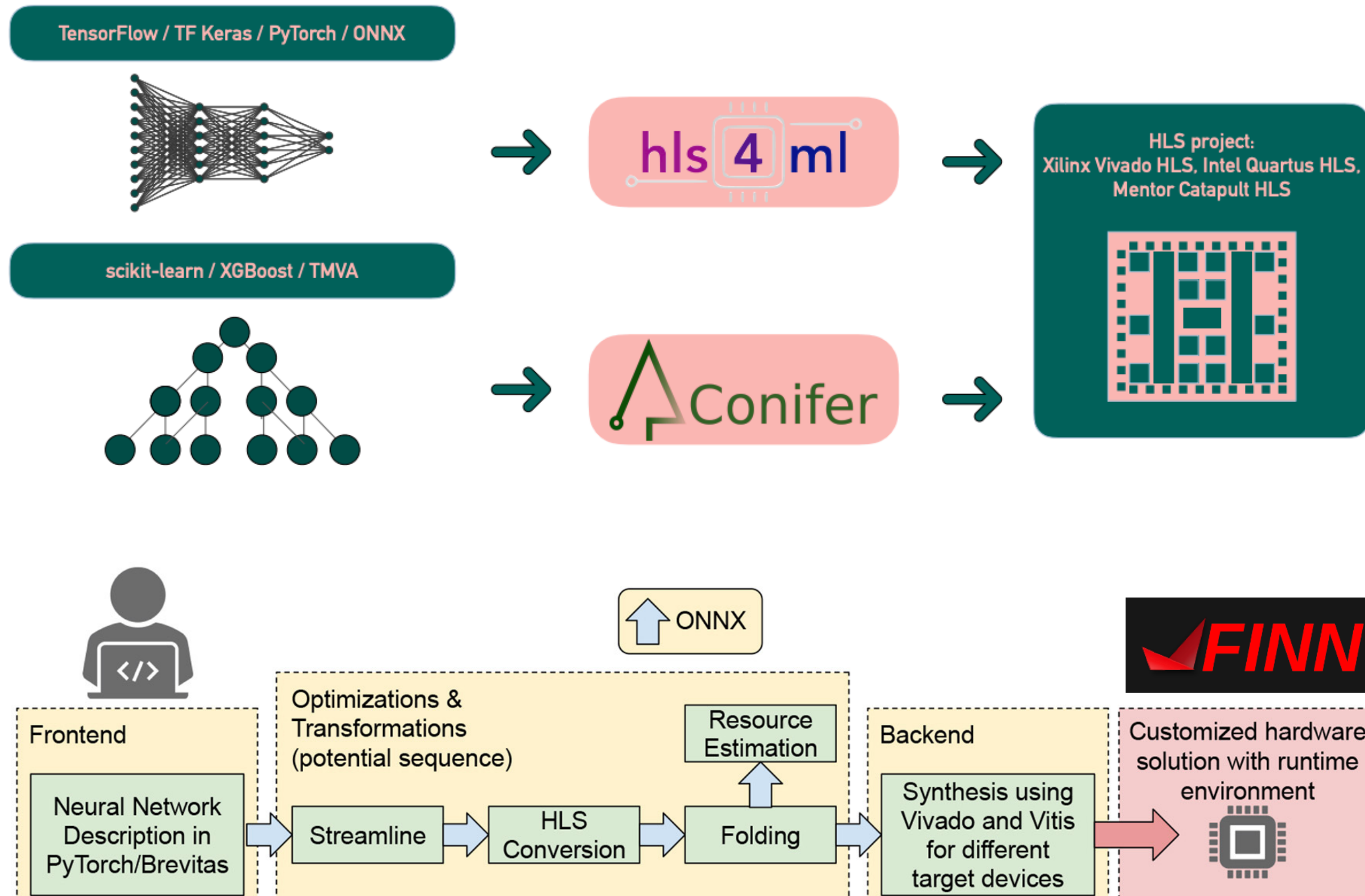
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Sec 4: codesign

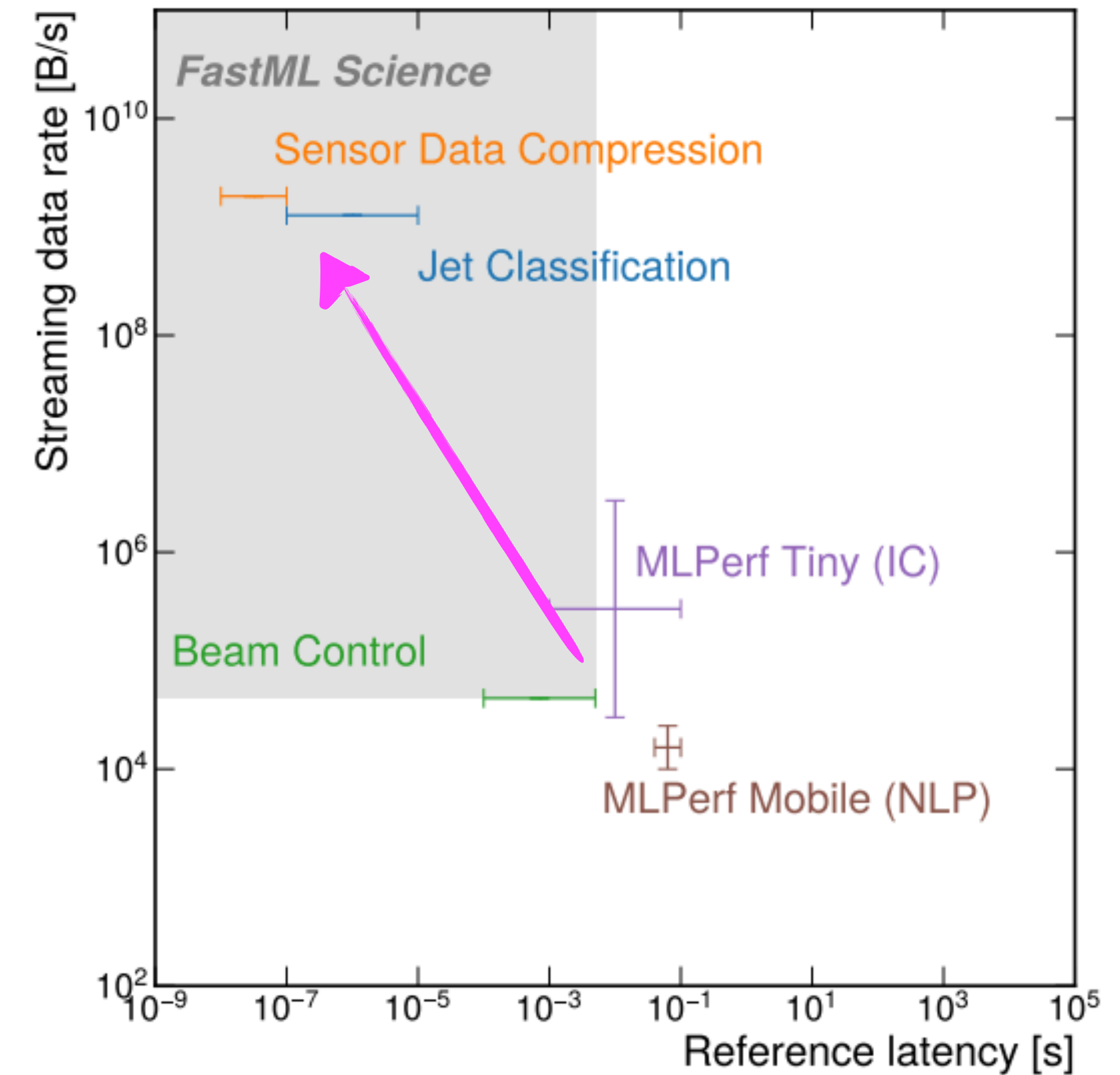
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Multi-Level IR Compiler Framework



Circuit IR Compilers and Tools



Beyond-CMOS Neuromorphic Hardware

- In this section, the most prominent emerging technology proposals, including those based on emerging dense analog memory device circuits, are grouped according to the targeted low-level neuromorphic functionality.
 - Analog Vector-by-Matrix Multiplication
 - Stochastic Vector-by-Matrix Multiplication
 - Spiking Neuron and Synaptic Plasticity
 - Reservoir Computing
 - Hyperdimensional Computing / Associative Memory

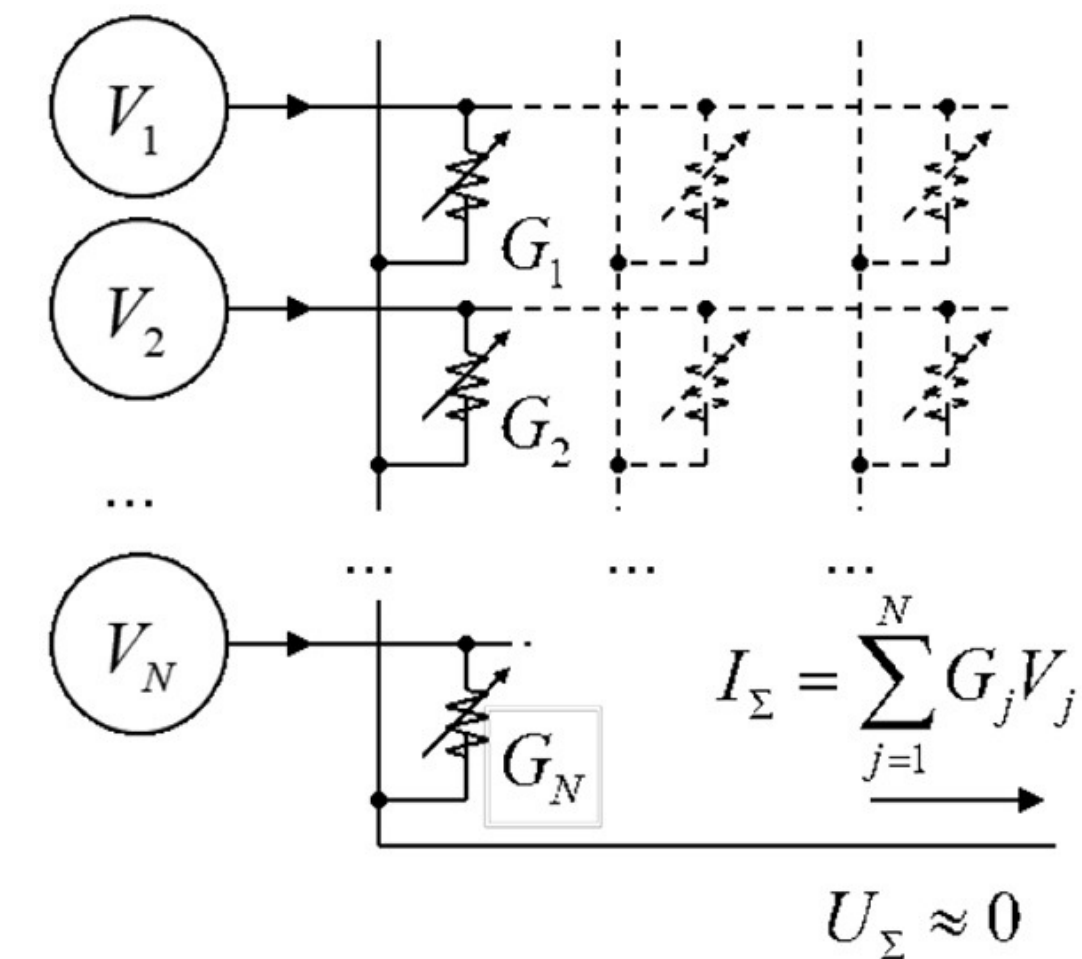


FIGURE 10 | Analog vector-by-matrix multiplication (VMM) in a crossbar circuit with adjustable crosspoint devices. For clarity, the output signal is shown for just one column of the array, while sense amplifier circuitry is not shown. Note that other VMM designs, e.g., utilizing duration of applied voltage pulses, rather than their amplitudes, for encoding inputs/outputs, are now being actively explored see, e.g., their brief review in Bavandpour et al. (2018).

Connections

- **CompF3: ML**

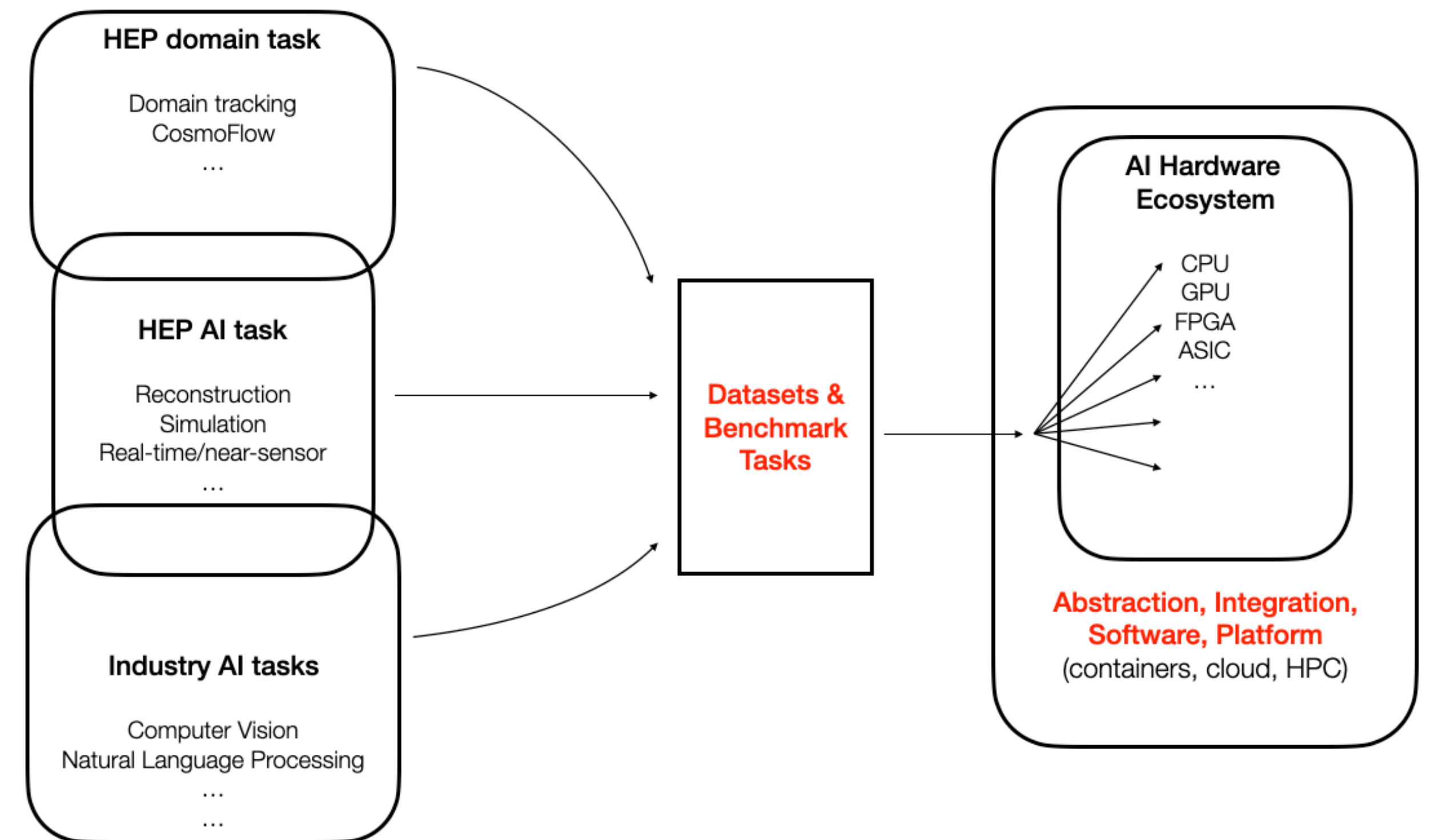
- WP on “Physics Community Needs, Tools, and Resources for Machine Learning”, arXiv: 2203.16255
- Related talk

- **CompF4: Storage & Processing**

- Subsection on AI hardware
- AI Hardware talk

- **IF07: Electronics/ASICs**

- WP on “Smart sensors using artificial intelligence for on-detector electronics and ASICs”, arXiv:2204.13223



Parting thoughts

Promote interdisciplinary collaborations

physicists, computer scientists, electrical and computer engineers, software engineers

Custom embedded systems

Off-the-shelf coprocessors

Build open-source, multi-technology
codesign workflows

Be nimble: abstraction, portability,
containerization

Novel ML research concepts: efficient, fault-tolerant, reliable

Open data, task-based, and data-based benchmarks

Support ecosystem integration and operation

Extra

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Extremely valuable to learn from non-domain expertise; challenge is to find common goals

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We are at the whim of industry! Adapt to new technologies

here, our problems surpass industry and there are no OTS solutions

Our problems can inspire new technologies and techniques!

Novel ML research concepts: efficient, fault-tolerant, reliable

Open data, task-based, and data-based benchmarks

Catalyze and consolidate progress

Support ecosystem integration and operation

Projectization makes longevity and support very hard, need avenues for this