DART

Data Analytics that are Robust and Trusted

Year 3 All Hands Meeting
April 20, 2023

NSF ARKANSAS EPSCoR

Project Overview

9:30 – 10:30 AM

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The motivation for DART

WIRED

So, Arkansas Is Leading the Learn to Code Movement

Arkansas may be one of the last states that comes to mind when you think of major hubs of tech talent.

How Arkansas implemented its computer science education program

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Recommendations on Advancing the Economic Competitiveness of

Data Analytics and Computing in Arkansas

GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS

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ARKANSAS ECONOMIC RECOVERY STRATEGY

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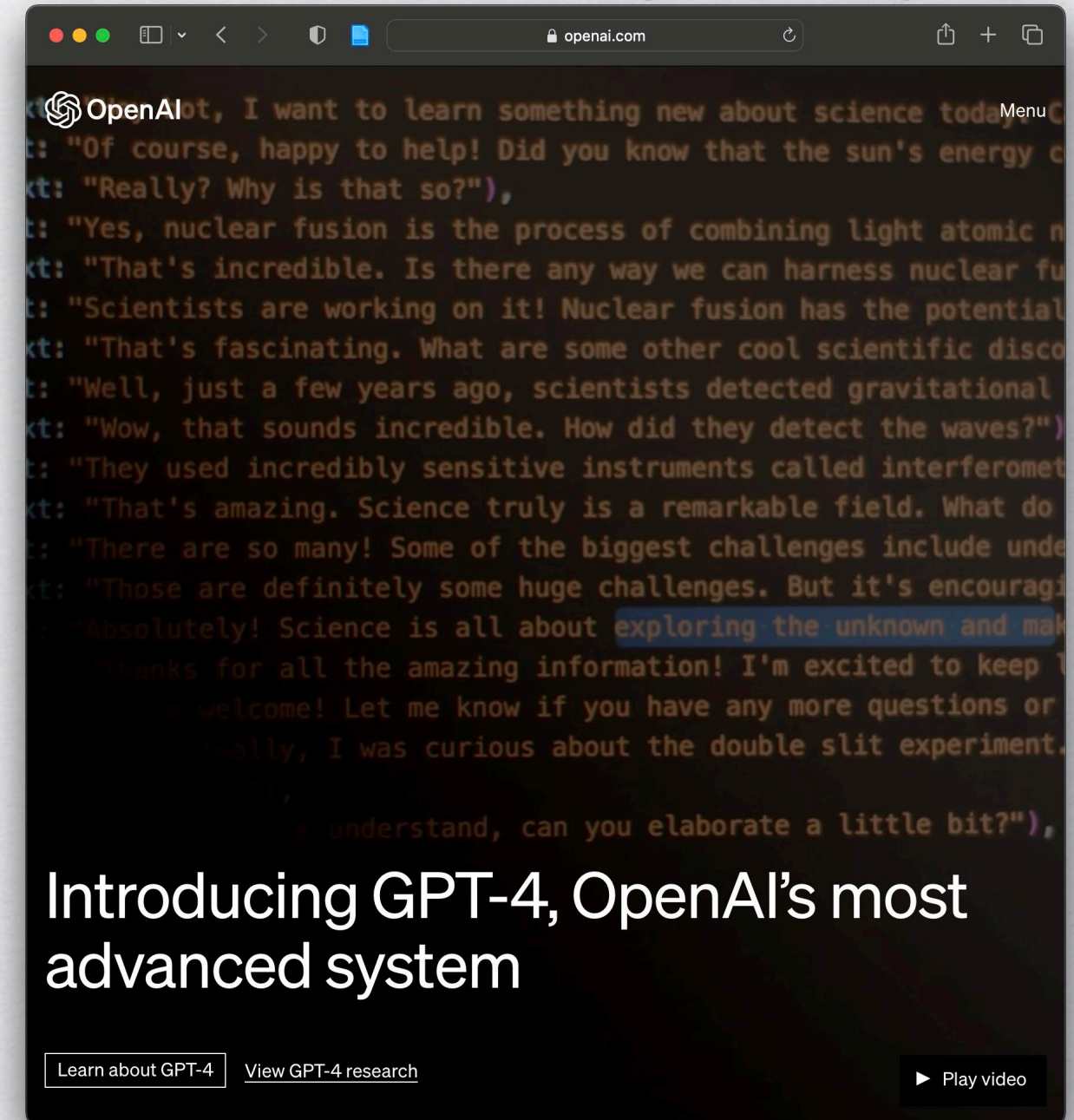
Vision

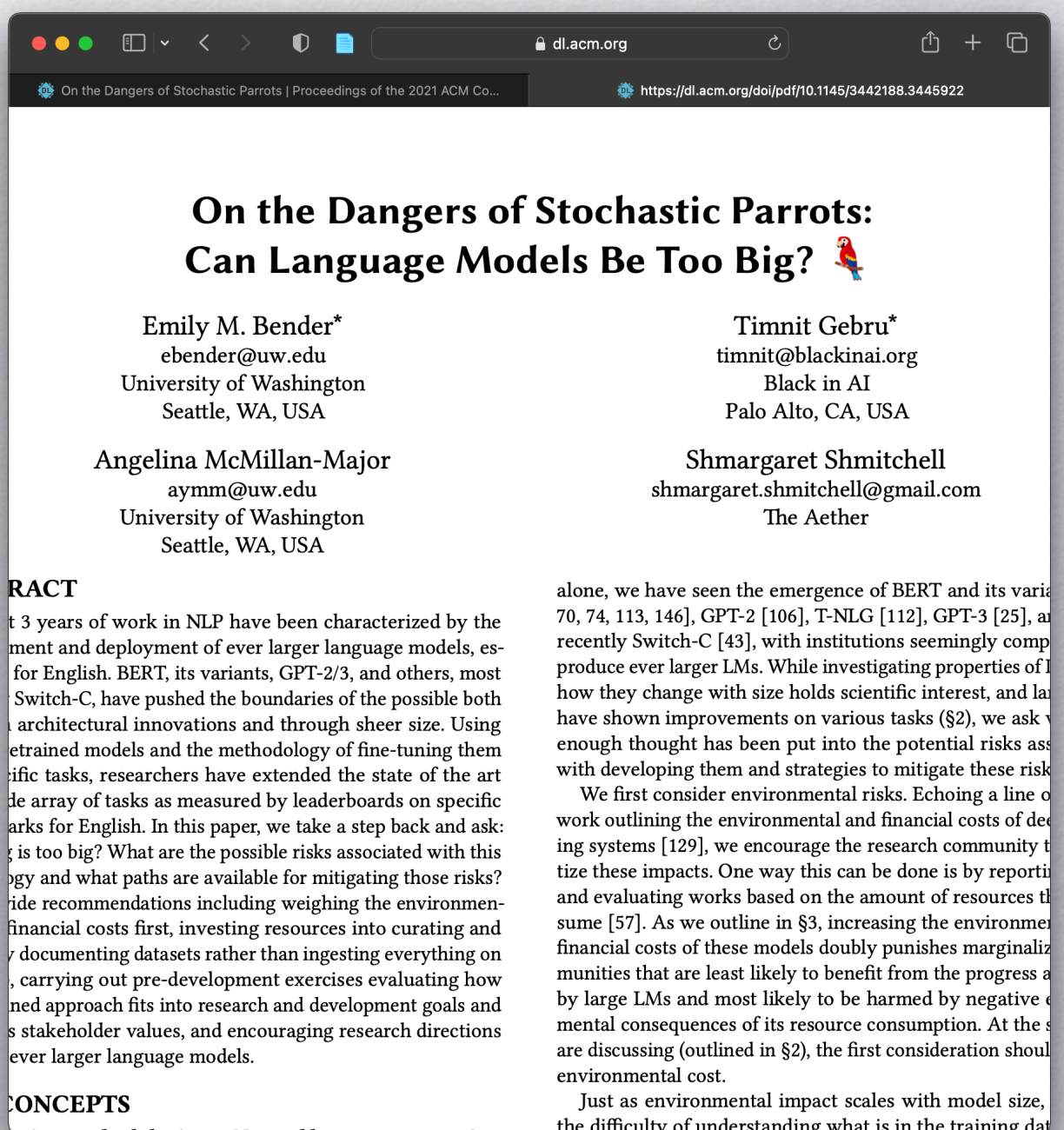
The Arkansas research community - academic, government, and industry - collaborating often and easily on a shared computing platform through a modern cyberinfrastructure which facilitates cutting-edge data science research.

Mission

The mission of DART is to improve research capability and competitiveness in Arkansas by creating an integrated statewide consortium of researchers and educators working to establish a synergistic, statewide focus on excellence in data analytics research and training.

The continued (growing) relevance of DART





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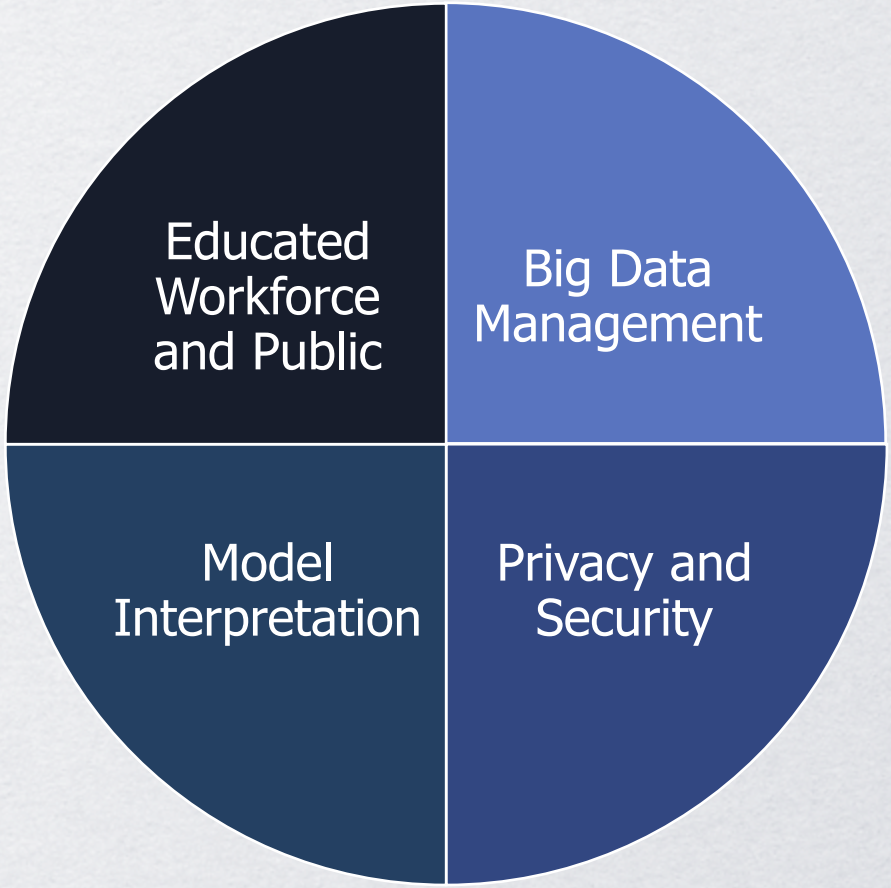


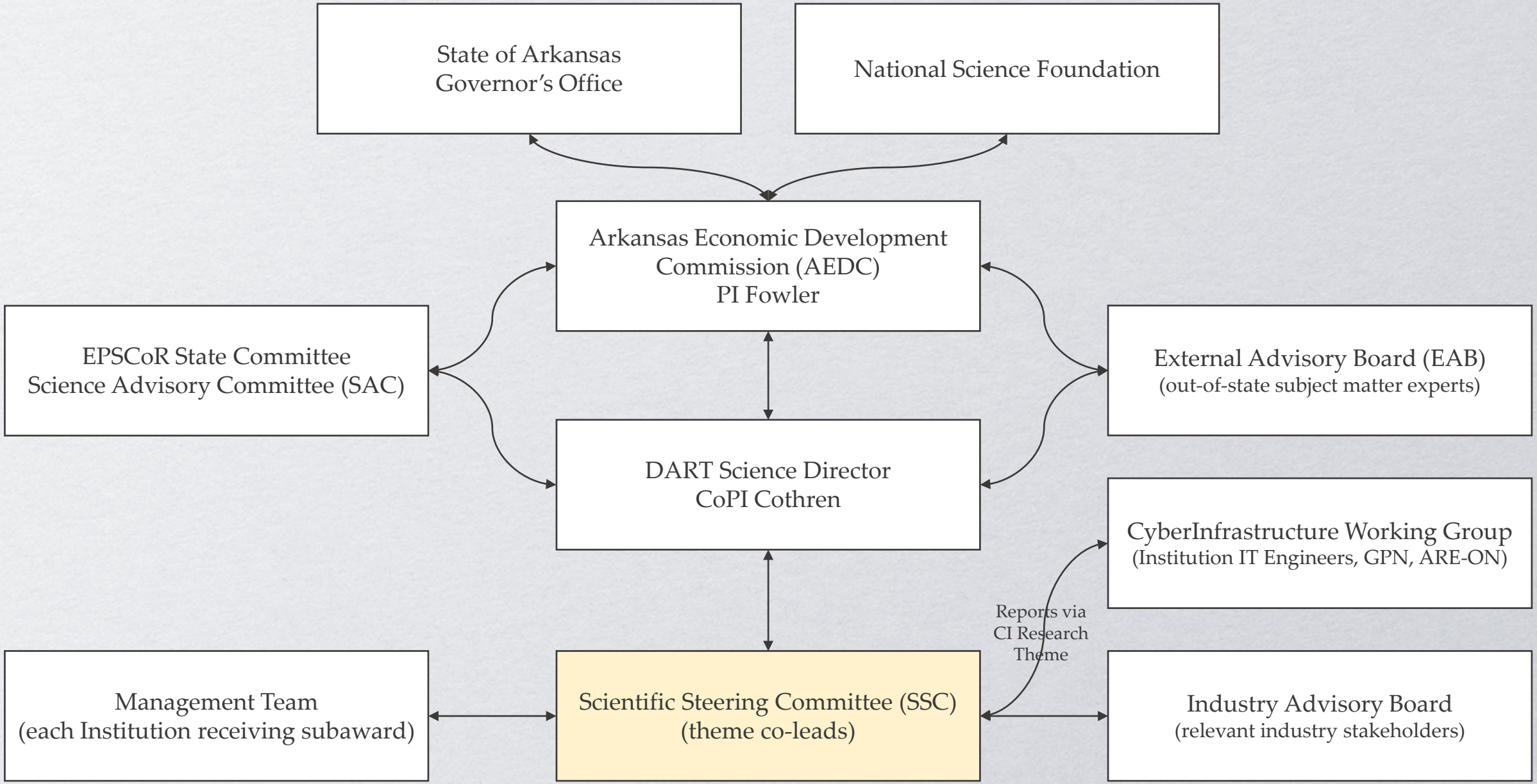
+Addressing barriers to effective and accepted integration of data science into our lives.

+Building a shared research cyberinfrastructure in Arkansas

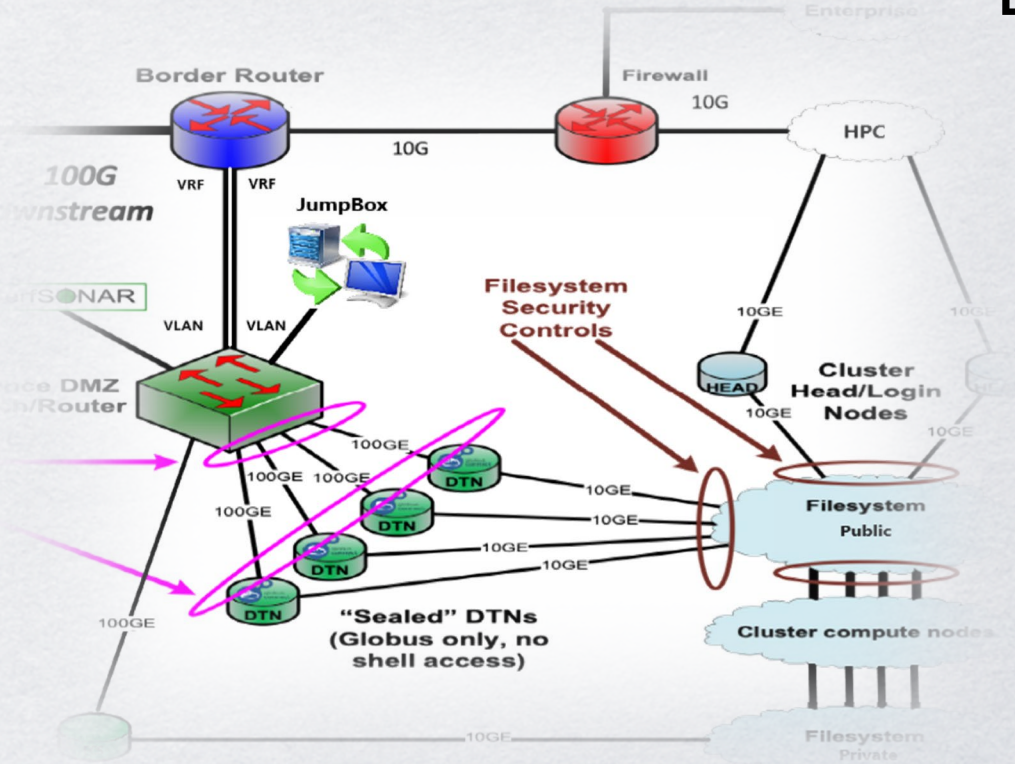
+Creating a state-wide, latticed data science education program

+Fostering a collaborative research community in Arkansas

Project Management



Significant Challenges



Enhanced cybersecurity footprint

- Increased oversight
- Off-campus access to research computing more controlled
- ScienceDMZ architecture reconfigured
  - 15-month planning process
  - Limited access to cluster and storage
  - Limited access to Enterprise GitLab

Solution: Build enduring relationships between campus IT and research communities

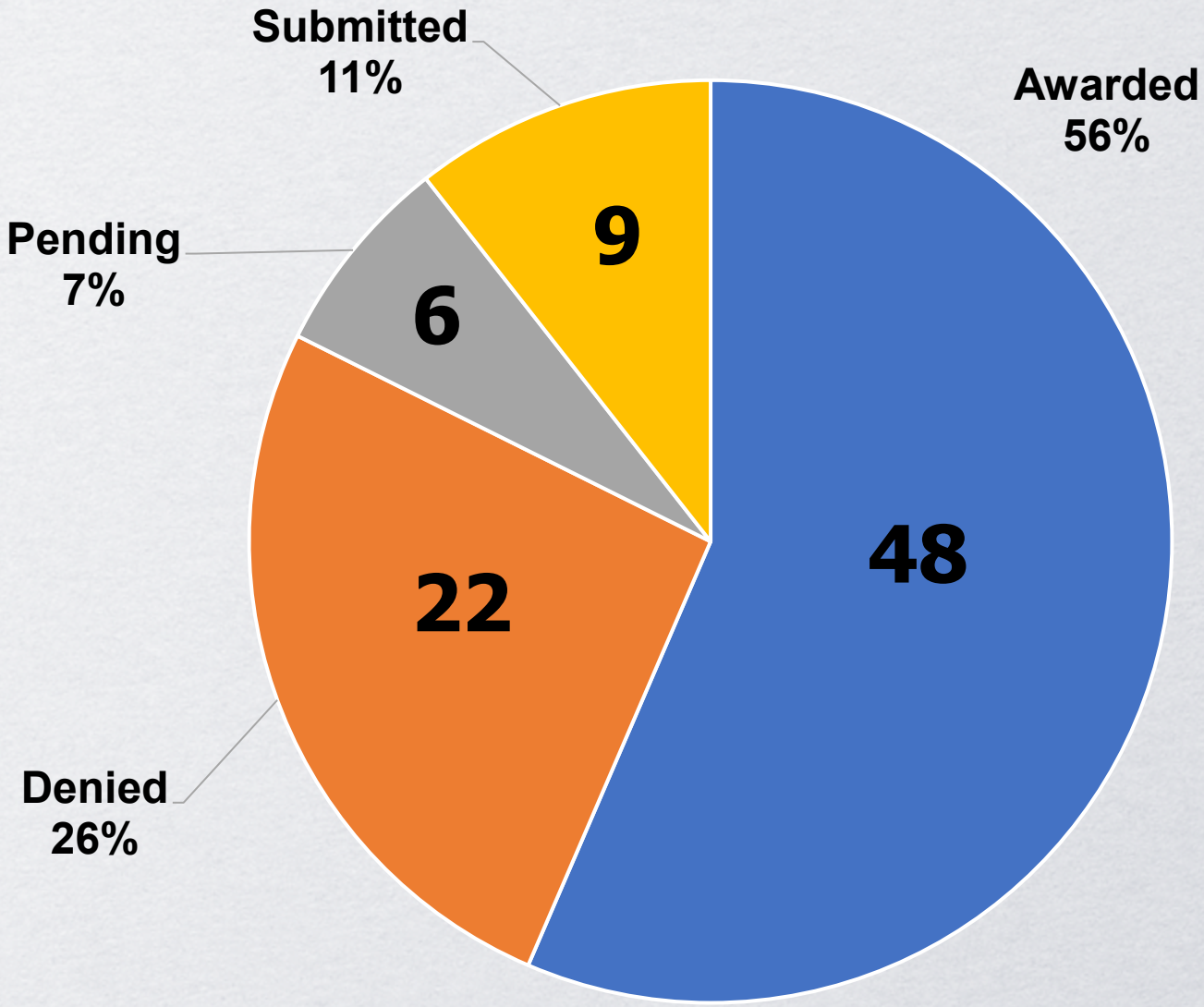
Significant Challenges

Research themes identified a need for additional programming support

- several projects need to scale
- deploying code on ARP clusters and commercial cloud
- 1 FTE currently supporting this need, more talent is needed
- Keeping talent, competing with industry, is hard

Solution: Reallocate program funds to support diverse programming requirements.

Significant Accomplishments – Grants & Proposals



$ 24,389,199.41
Awarded to Date

Significant Accomplishments – Grants & Proposals

Project Team(s)	Amount Awarded
Cyberinfrastructure (CI)	$ 884,318
Data Curation (DC)	$ 7,176,848
Learning & Prediction (LP)	$ 478,763
Learning & Prediction (LP), Cyberinfrastructure (CI)	$ 895,000
Learning & Prediction (LP), Data Curation (DC)	$ 155,199
Learning & Prediction (LP), Data Curation (DC), Social Awareness (SA)	$ 1,450,003
Social Awareness (SA)	$ 1,463,789
Social Awareness (SA), Workforce Development (WD)	$ 49,999
Social Media (SM)	$ 11,835,280

Significant Accomplishments – Grants > $500,000

Title	Investigators	Institutions	Award Amount	Funding Agency
Multi-Level Models of Covert Online Information Campaigns	Nitin Agarwal	UALR	$ 4,965,214	Department of Defense
Developing Rapid Response Capabilities to Evaluate Emerging Social Cyber Threats	Nitin Agarwal	UALR	$ 3,773,526	U.S. Office of Naval Research
Fusing Narrative and Social Cyber Forensics to Understand Covert Influence	Nitin Agarwal	UALR	$ 2,500,000	Department of Defense
Targeting heat shock protein 72 to improve renal function after transplantation	Se-Ran Jun	UAMS	$ 2,461,707	NIDDK
Center for studies of host response to cancer therapy	Se-Ran Jun	UAMS	$ 2,280,000	NIGMS
RII Track-2 FEC: Artificial Intelligence on Sustainable Energy Infrastructure Network (AI SUSTEIN) and Beyond towards Industries of the Future	Haitao Liao, Xintao Wu, Xiao Liu	UARK	$ 1,450,003	NSF
Assessment of antibiotic resistance in fresh vegetables from farm to fork	Se-Ran Jun	UAMS	$ 1,000,000	USDA
Photogrammetry Services, Task Order	Jackson Cothren, Chase Rainwater	UARK	$ 800,000	Department of Energy
FAI: A novel paradigm for fairness-aware deep learning models on data streams	Xintao Wu	UARK	$ 628,789	NSF
IUCRC Phase I The University of Arkansas: Center for Infrastructure Trustworthiness in Energy Systems (CITES)	Qinghua Li	UARK	$ 525,000	NSF

Significant Accomplishments - Publications

Publication Status	Project Total
Accepted	42
Published	140
Submitted	25

Project Team	Total Published	Journal Articles	Books	Conference Proceedings
Cyberinfrastructure (CI)	2	2	0	0
Cyberinfrastructure (CI), Data Curation (DC)	2	1	1	0
Data Curation (DC)	29	19	2	6
Education (ED)	1	0	0	0
Learning & Prediction (LP)	37	18	1	18
Learning & Prediction (LP), Cyberinfrastructure (CI)	1	1	0	0
Social Awareness (SA)	30	5	5	25
Social Media (SM)	23	11	0	11

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Author	Chappell, Kevin
Author	Graw, Stefan
Author	Washam, Charity L.
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Author	Bolden, Chris
Author	Peterson, Eric C.
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Abstract

Abstract

Background

Histone post-translational modifications (PTMs) play an important role in our system by regulating the structure of chromatin and therefore contribute to the regulation of gene and protein expression. Irregularities in histone PTMs can lead to a variety of different diseases including various forms of cancer. Histone modifications are analyzed using high resolution mass spectrometry, which generate large amounts of data that requires sophisticated bioinformatics tools for analysis and visualization. PTMViz is designed for downstream differential abundance analysis and visualization of both protein and/or histone modifications.

Results

PTMViz provides users with data tables and visualization plots of significantly differentiated proteins and histone PTMs between two sample groups. All the data is packaged into interactive data tables and graphs using the Shiny platform to help the user explore the results in a fast and efficient manner to assess if changes in the system are due to protein abundance changes or epigenetic changes. In the example data provided, we identified several proteins differentially regulated in the dopaminergic pathway between mice treated with methamphetamine compared to a saline control. We also identified histone post-translational modifications including histone

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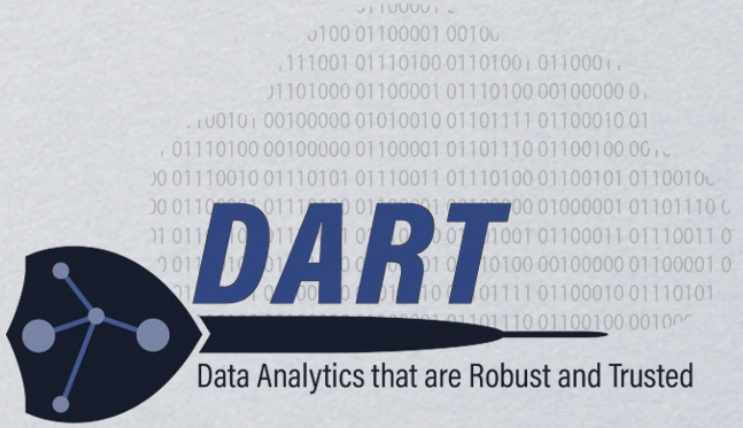

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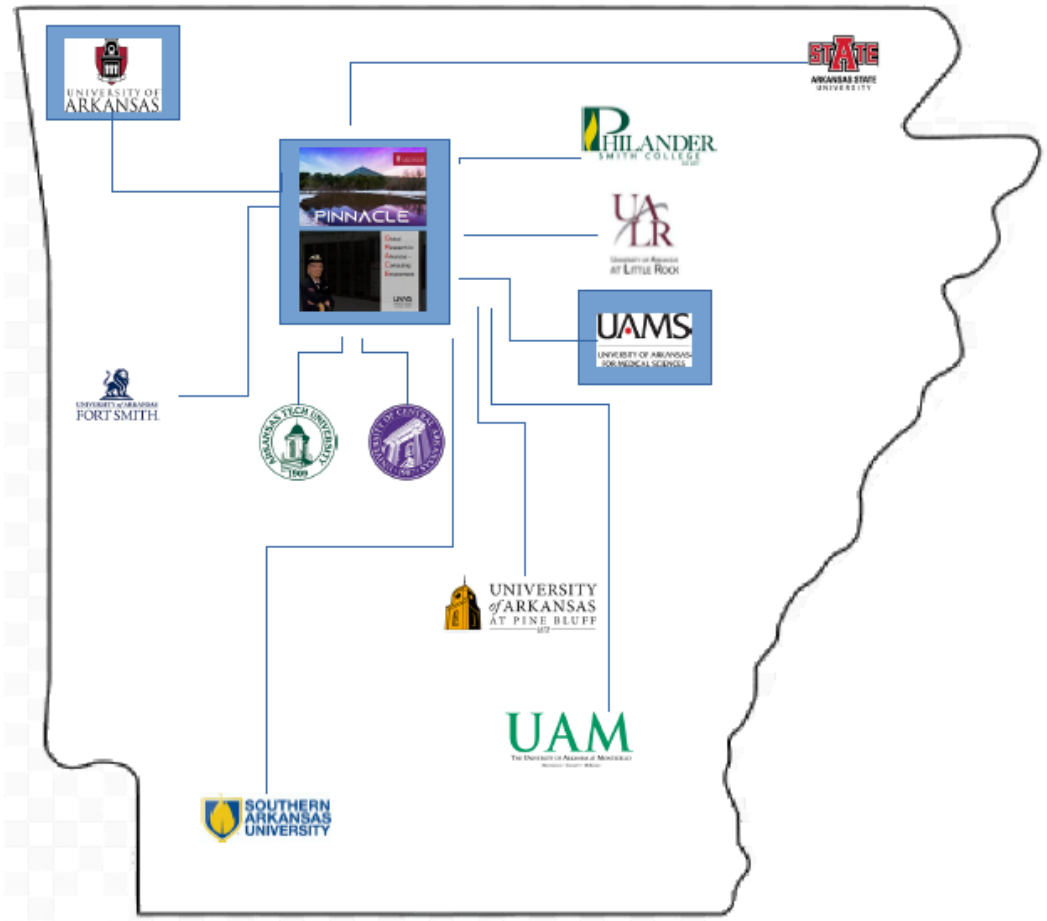

Arkansas Research Platform is a collaboration of higher education institutions within the state of Arkansas which provides computing resources and data storage to all its members (free of charge to students, faculty and staff). The core components are the **Pinnacle cluster** managed by the Arkansas High Performance Computing Center (UAF, Fayetteville) and the **Grace cluster** managed by UAMS High Performance Computing Center (UAMS, Little Rock).

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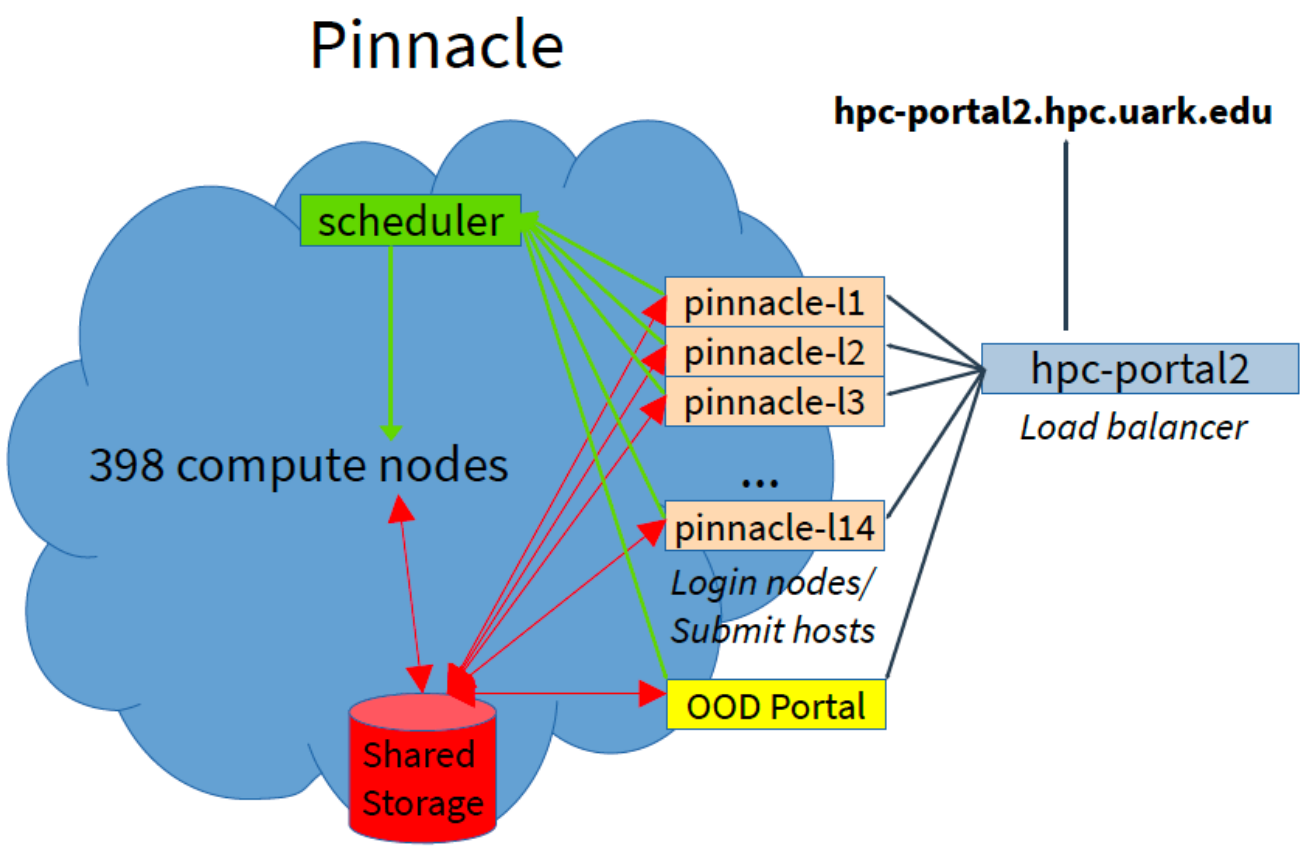
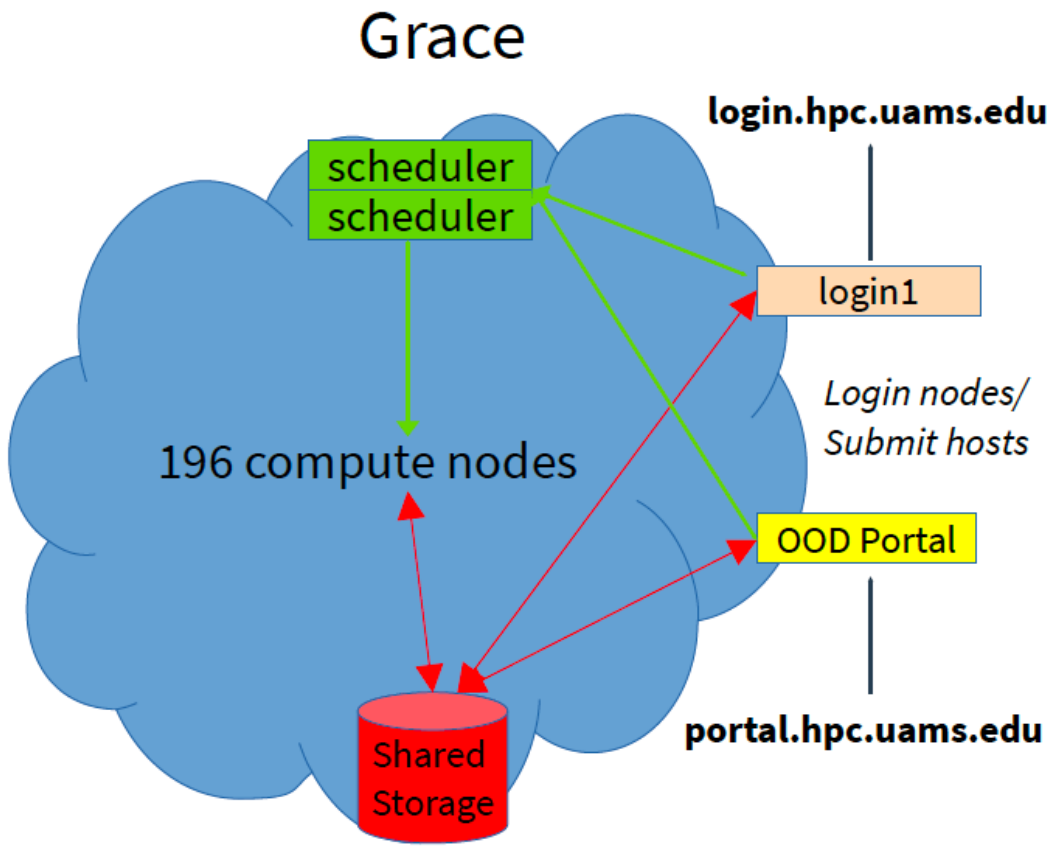
ARP Clusters – functional diagrams





scheduler – coordinates all of the nodes in the queue (SLURM queueing system)
submit hosts – nodes from which users submit jobs to the queues
login hosts – nodes accessible from the external network
compute nodes – nodes that assigned to queues and run jobs

Arkansas Research Platform - ARP

Deployed a point-to-point virtual research network between UAMS and UAF, extensible to other ARE-ON members

- Forms the backbone of the ARP

Installed 100Gbps connection between North Little Rock and Fayetteville ARE-ON backbone locations to enable higher throughput between UAMS and UAF.

Installed dedicated research 100Gbps connection to the UAMS campus for the UAMS Science DMZ

ARP Workshops

Began in Fall 2022

- UAMS
- UALR

Offered again Fall 2023

Day 1 Schedule

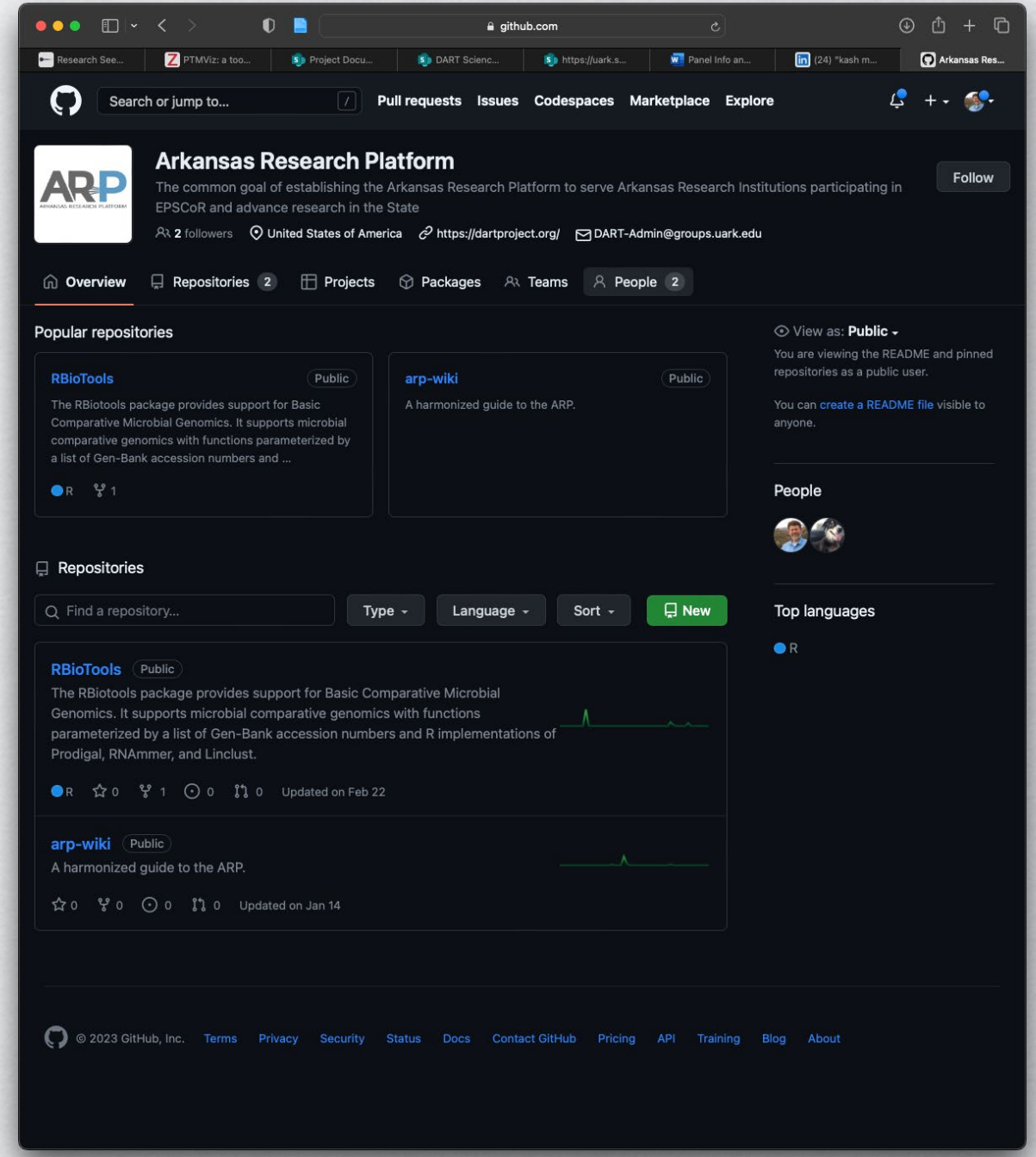
8:30 am	**Registration & Set-Up** Check with each participant to ensure ability to connect to internet Make sure all required programs have been downloaded and installed
9:00 am	**Welcome & Introductions** Brief introductions: Name, institution, 1-sentence research interests
9:15 am	**What is Arkansas Research Platform (ARP)?** Brief description of ARP hardware resources When to use HPC resources Programs that can leverage HPC resources Getting familiar with the vocabulary Cluster Functional diagrams
10:15 am	**The Essentials** Getting an account on Pinnacle / Grace Logging into Open OnDemand portal OOD Overview
10:45 am	**Running Jobs – Open Ondemand** Batch job (run, modify, rerun) Interactive jobs (Jupyter notebook, VMD)
11:45 am	**LUNCH**
12:45 pm	**Moving Data** Open Ondemand File Upload/Download Terminal access in Open OnDemand wget, scp, rsync, FileZilla (GUI)
2:00 pm	Globus Log in/create Globus ID account Globus endpoints Transfer data between Pinnacle and Public endpoint Install Globus Connect Personal Transfer data between Pinnacle and personal device
4:00 pm	**Reflection and Closing Remarks** for Day 1 Where are you stuck?

Day 2 Schedule

9:00 am	**SSH access**
	SSH clients (Windows/MacOS/Linux)
	Logging into Pinnacle and Grace
	Network Accessibility
	Pinnacle's 2-step login on the DMZ network
9:30 am	**Intro to Command Line Interface (CLI)**
	Bash shell
	Environment
	Basic linux commands
	File systems
	/home and /scratch
10:00 am	**Queueing System**
	Queues
	Running a sample job
	Interactive job
	Batch job
	Job arrays
10:45 am	**Software modules**
	Modules
11:00 am	**Moving and Storing Data, part 2**
	Basic object storage principles; What is ROSS?
	Request access to ROSS – identities and secret keys
	ecs-sync
12:00 pm	**LUNCH**
1:00 pm	**Individual project help**
	Questions, Tell me more, and Bring your own project (optional for attendees)

And, in the coming months…

…federated identity access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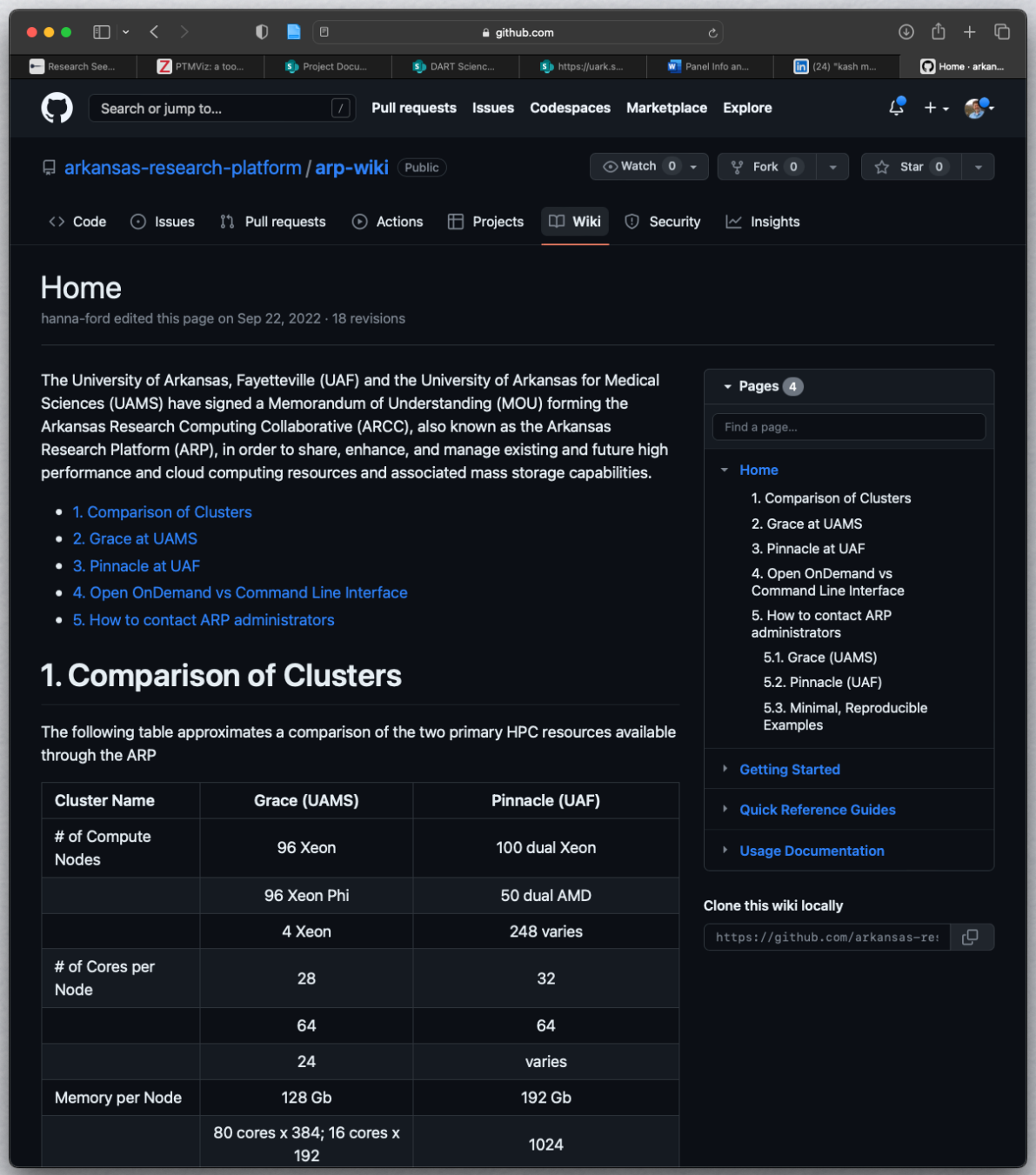
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The University of Arkansas, Fayetteville (UAF) and the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) forming the Arkansas Research Computing Collaborative (ARCC), also known as the Arkansas Research Platform (ARP), in order to share, enhance, and manage existing and future high performance and cloud computing resources and associated mass storage capabilities.
1. Comparison of Clusters
2. Grace at UAMS
3. Pinnacle at UAF
4. Open OnDemand vs Command Line Interface
5. How to contact ARP administrators
1. Comparison of Clusters
The following table approximates a comparison of the two primary HPC resources available through the ARP
Cluster Name
Grace (UAMS)
Pinnacle (UAF)
# of Compute Nodes
96 Xeon
100 dual Xeon
96 Xeon Phi
50 dual AMD
4 Xeon
248 varies
# of Cores per Node
28
32
64
64
24
varies
Memory per Node
128 Gb
192 Gb
80 cores x 384; 16 cores x 192
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Getting Started
Quick Reference Guides
Usage Documentation
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Cyberinfrastructure Plan

Leveraged two NSF CC* funded projects:

GPN CyberTeam (NSF #1925681):

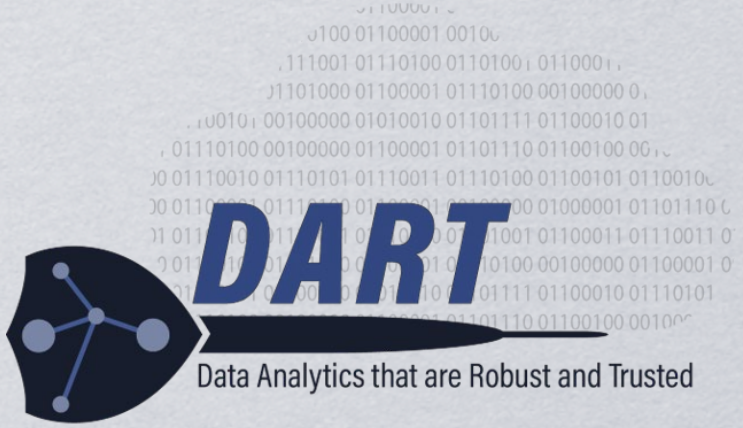
- CI working group formed, led by Great Plains Network executive director and CyberTeam PI's

UAF SHARP CCI (2021) (NSF #2126108):

- ARP working group composed of all DART campus CIO's and research leads to plan for sustainable ARP

- State-wide gap analysis underway
- Reallocated funds from Globus Data Management service to fund federated identify solutions
- Developed MISP and SSP templates for managing CUI
- HIPAA-compliant storage at UAMS
- Engaged with TrustedCI and EPOC teams at Indiana University

Significant Accomplishments: CI, LP, DC, SM, SA



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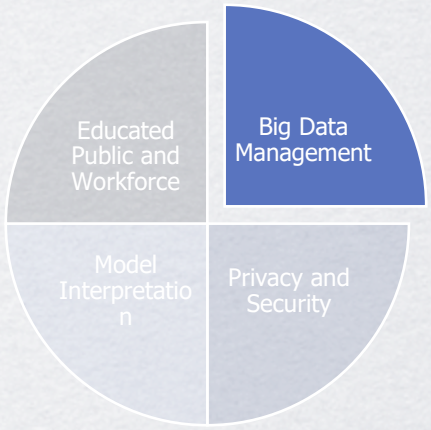
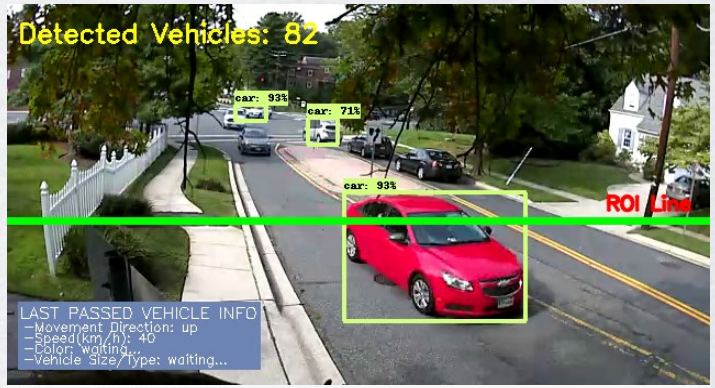
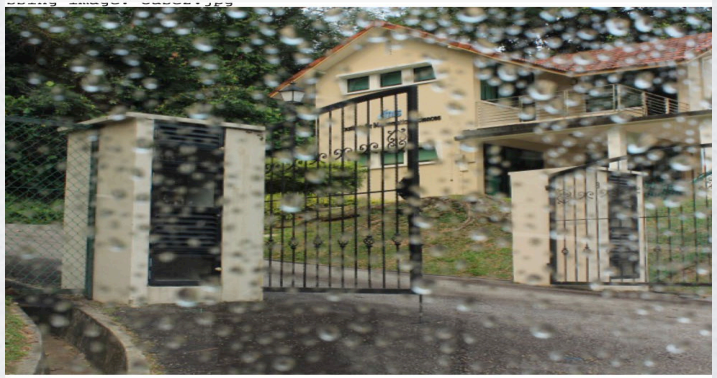
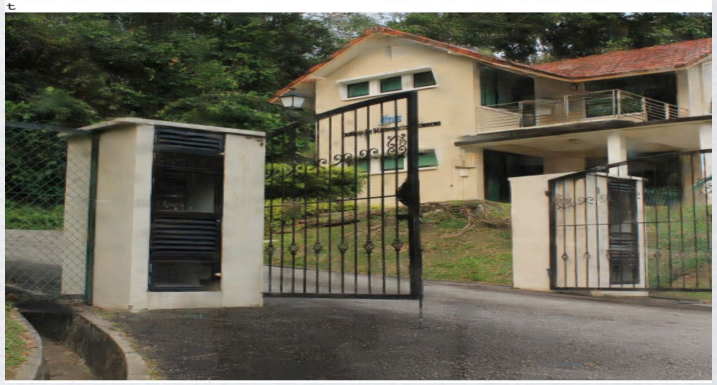


- Significant progress implementing the Arkansas Research Platform & Computing Collaborative for scaling algorithms and applications
- Integrated research and IT staff statewide working groups consolidating resources and expanding access
- Positive data control concepts and implementations being tested by an industrial partner
- Developed an autoencoder method that improved unsupervised and self-supervised deep learning methods' ability to manage and label much larger datasets.
- Much more sophisticated, coordinated approach to managing controlled or restricted data

Auto-annotation of multimedia data







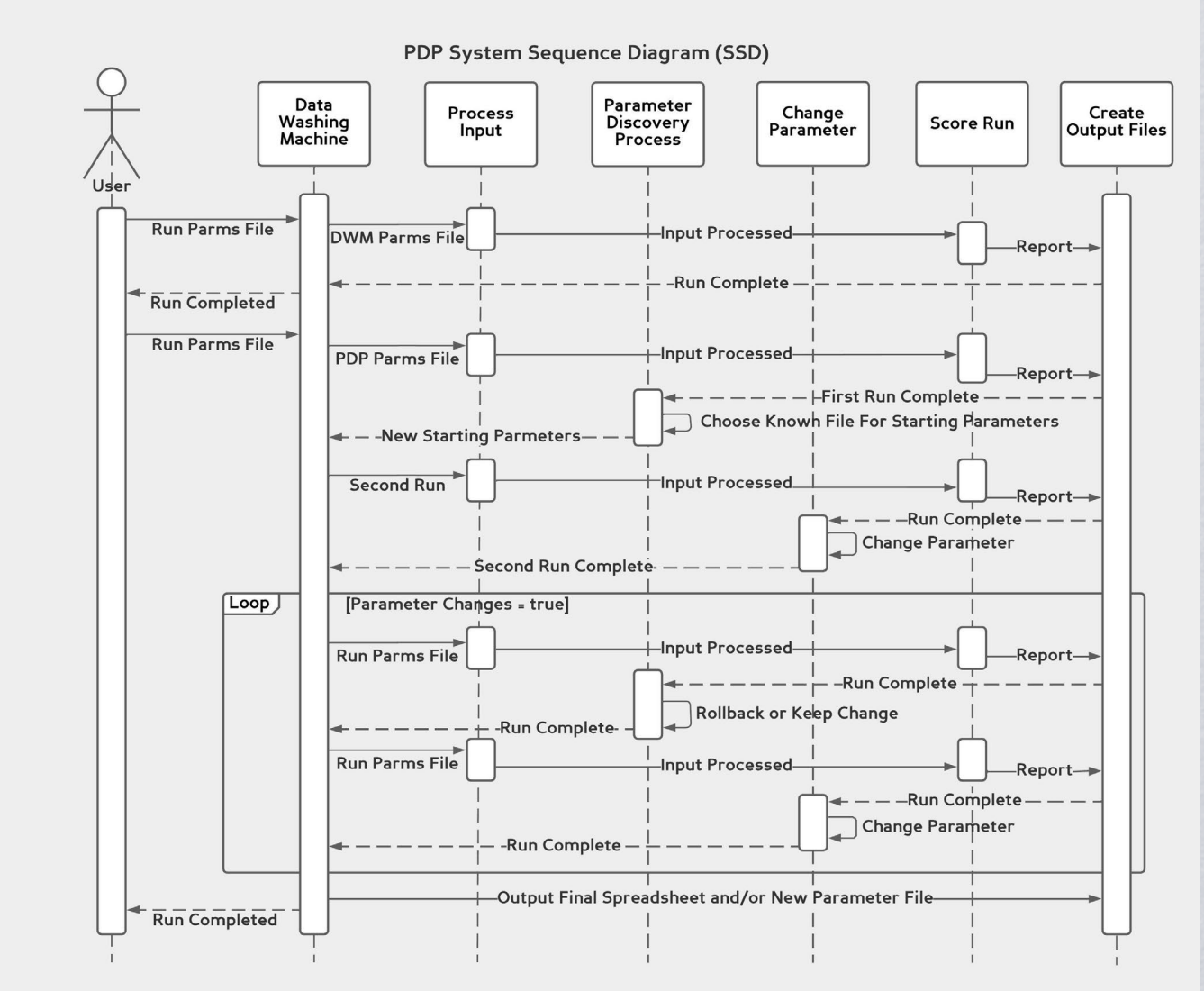
Developing novel methods and algorithms

- for image and video analysis
  - Multimedia data characteristics towards target applications have been identified.
  - Applications have been defined around the team's research into better informing disaster response with social media (SM4).
- vehicle speed estimation which has tested for road condition assessment
- for rain drop removal using GANs network to improve accuracy in using visual data captured in rainy conditions

Dr. Serhan Dagtas, UALR,
GA: Sharafat Hossain, UALR

Parameter Discovery Process (PDP) (DC1)

- Make the **Data Washing Machine (DWM)** truly "unsupervised"
- Automatically sets 14 DWM input parameters
- Given a dataset with redundant (duplicate) records, the PDP process
  - Reads the dataset and generates a set of token statistics
  - Compares the generated token statistics to the statistics from benchmark datasets with known optimal parameters
  - Starts with the nearest known optimal parameters
  - Iterates over the dataset to refine the parameter settings to be optimal for the input dataset



Hadoop-based Data Washing Machine (HDWM)

- The current design of the DWM is single-threaded:
  - Unable to go beyond a few thousands of records
    - Python version – up to 100, 000 records
    - Java version – up to 1, 000, 000 records
  - Goal – cluster more than a million (hundreds of million records)

- HDWM is a highly scalable version of the current Data Washing Machine designed with Hadoop MapReduce

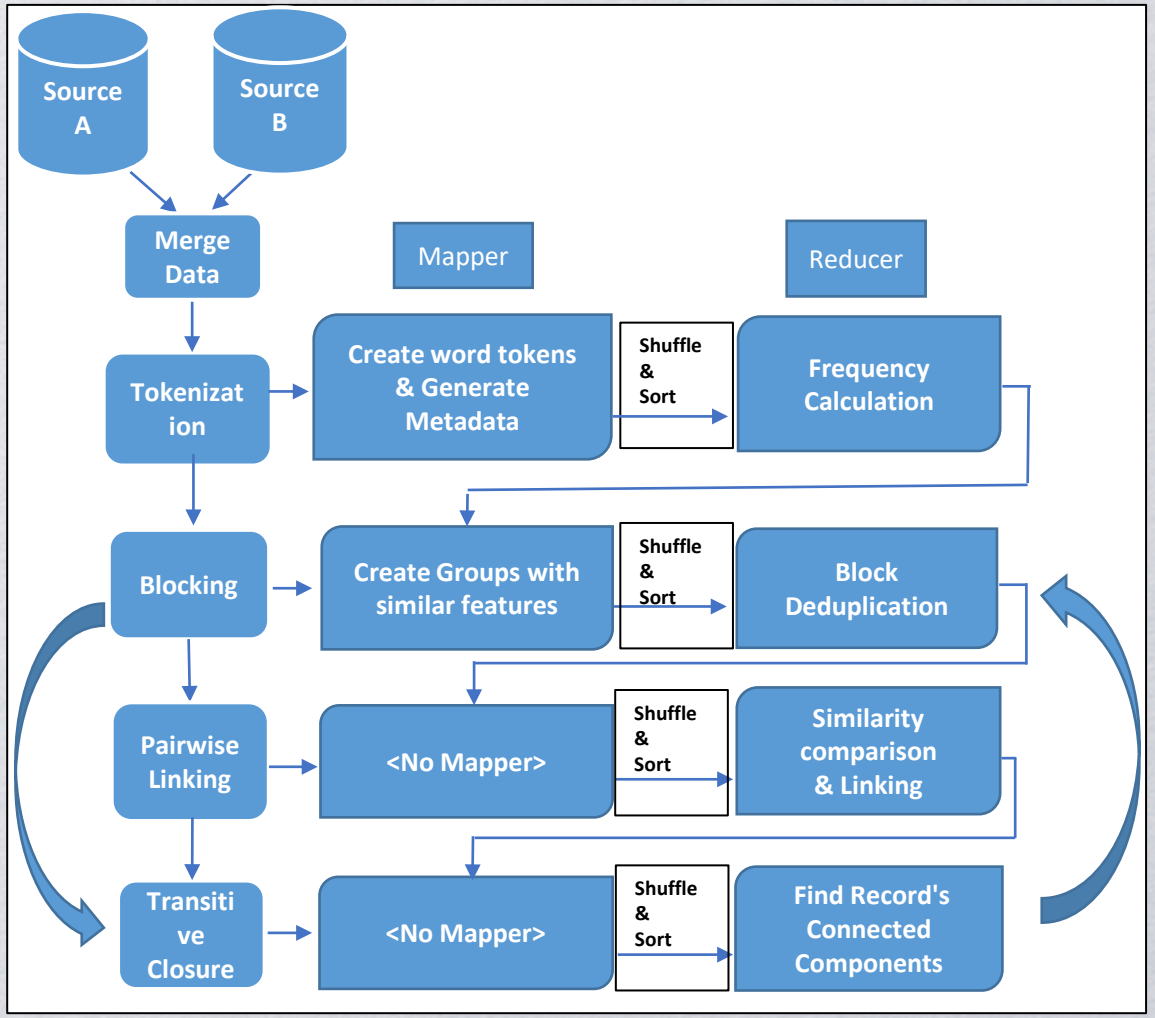
Hadoop-based Data Washing Machine (HDWM)

It solves the linear-based processing of DWM by:

- Using MapReduce programming model
- Ability to scale and cluster billions of records using HDFS

HDWM handles the "out-of-memory" problem caused by the creation of shared memory tables/dictionaries

- Carries intrinsic metadata alongside tokens
- E.g. "token: {refID, token, position, frequency}"



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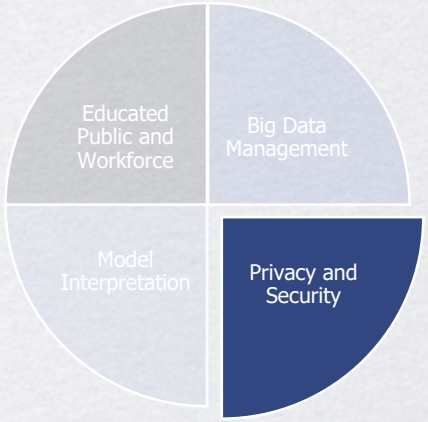
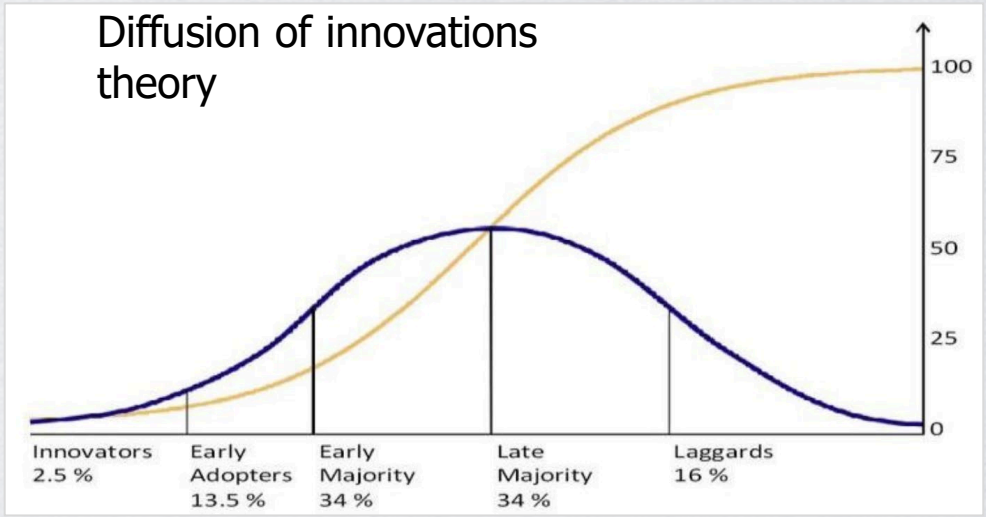
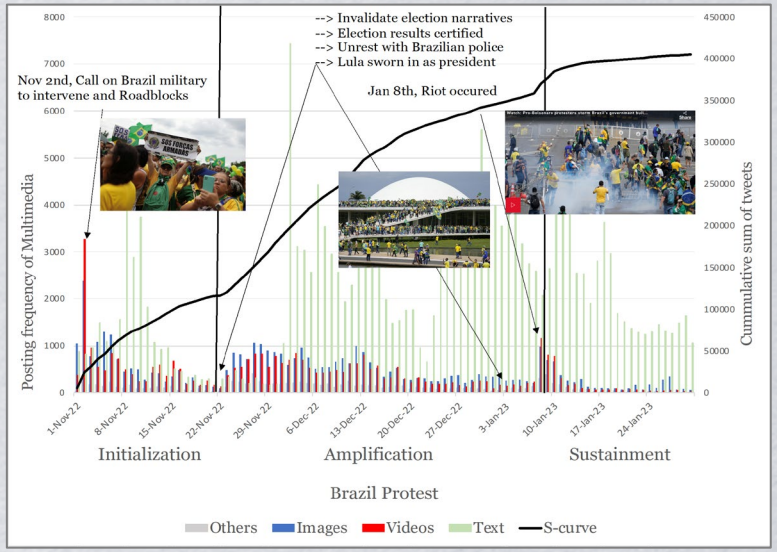


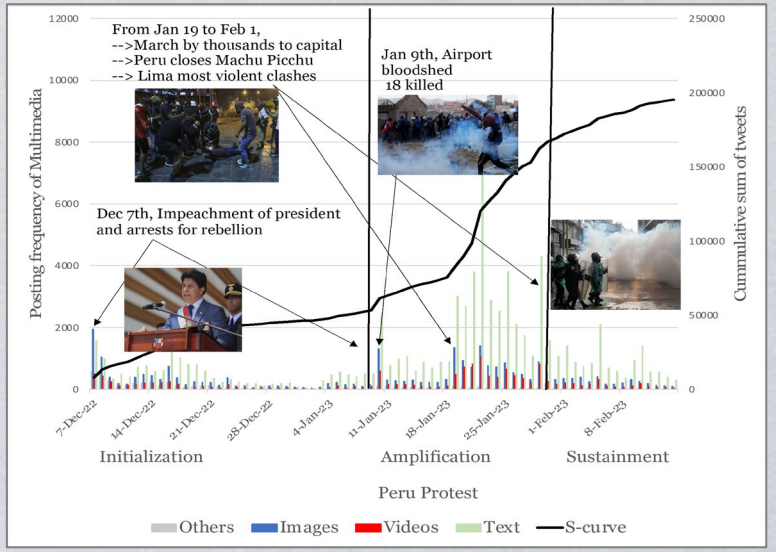
- Developed Master Information Security and System Security Plans for ARP resources to allow for eventual work with CUI data (NIST 800.171)
- Demonstrated a foundation technology for detecting in real time websites disseminating illegal contents
- A positive data curation prototype demonstrated the ability to control both access and metadata reporting for data operations in the Hadoop environment.
- DART researchers continue to develop and refine a suite of novel algorithms (differential privacy preserving multi-party learning, fair and robust learning under sample selection bias or attacks, uncertainty award crowdsourcing, fraud and hate detection in cyberspace, user-centric data sharing in cyberspace, and privacy-preserving analytics in health and genomics).

Role of Multimedia in Social Movement Mobilization

Studies of online Brazil and Peru political protests show that visual content on Twitter exhibits a greater degree of user engagement than text-only posts.







Diffusion of Innovations (DOI) theory (Rogers, 1962) is a social science theory that explains how new ideas, products, and technologies spread through society over time.

In this research, we apply DOI theory to online networks to evaluate the emerging adoption of information campaigns influenced by text, images, and video.

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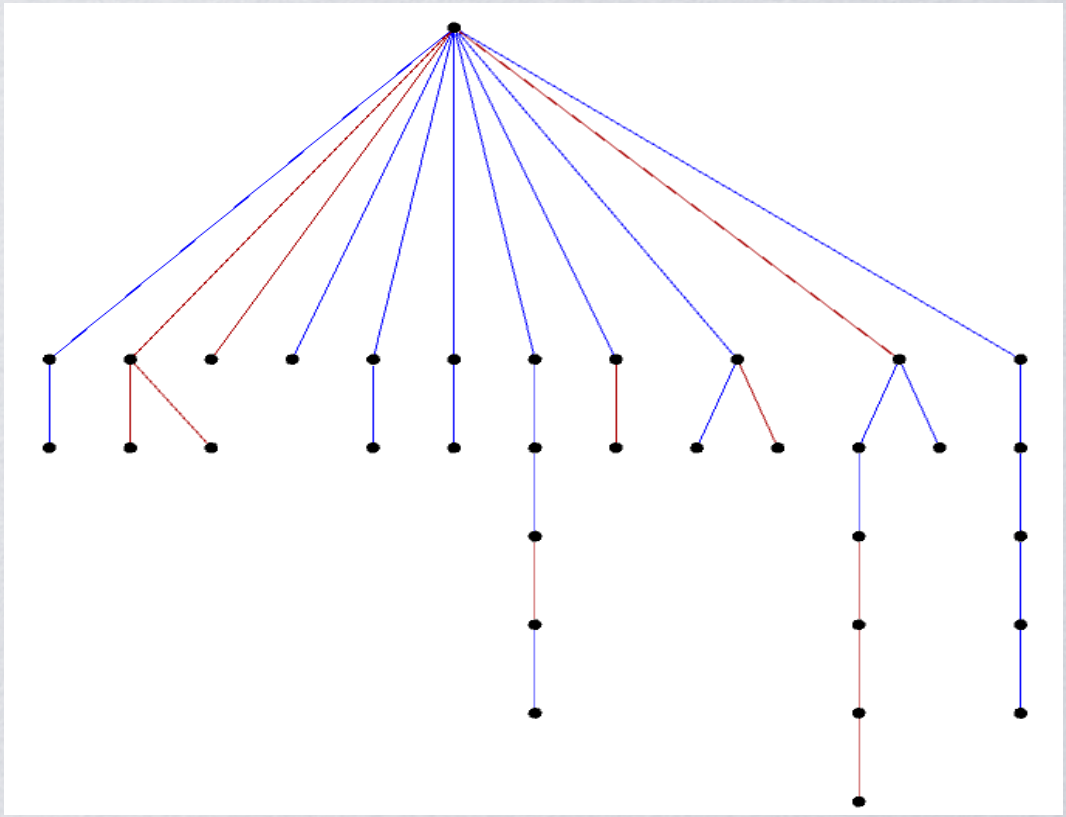
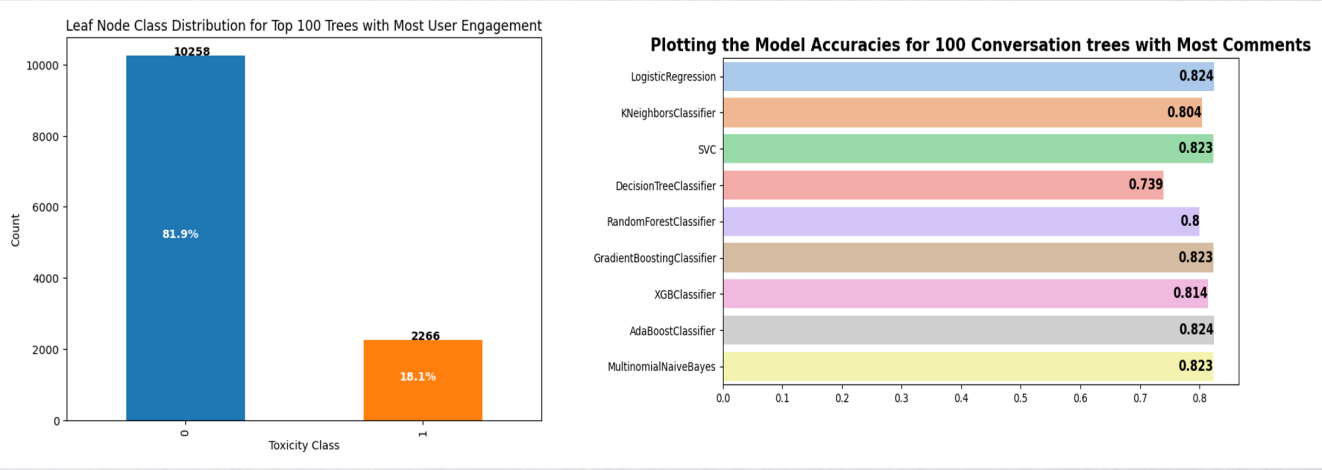
Toxicity and Community Health

- We generate conversation trees for threads with > 50% toxicity and use machine learning to predict the leaf nodes' toxicity.
- The model predicts if the next reply will be toxic or not based on the structural characteristics of the conversation tree.
- Toxic conversation threads tend to have wider, deeper, and larger conversation branches.
- Those conversations are more likely to *end* with toxic comments.

Subreddit Post with comments-replies
Red = Toxic
Blue = non-Toxic





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Deep Learning for Preventing Discrimination and Hate Speech on Social Media

Design and implementation of robust hate speech detection models via mitigating spurious correlations.

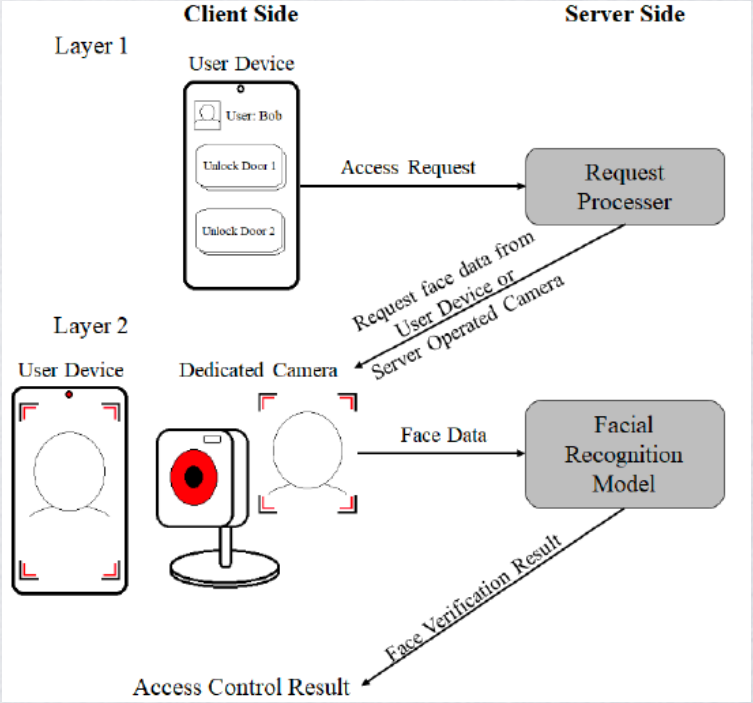
- Automatic filtrations of hateful content have been deployed to prevent hate speech, but intentionally modifying hate words may bypass auto-detection systems.
- The research team developed a robust hate speech detection model by formulating a causal structure to represent the causal relationship among different variables and integrating the causal strength into a regularized cross-entropy loss for removing the spurious correlation.

(Lu Zhang)

Cryptography-Assisted Secure and Privacy-Preserving Learning

Privacy-Preserving Face Recognition Access Control

- Goal: the backend server never sees the original face image or features
- Key idea: transform facial embeddings to a different space in a partially order-preserving way
- Transformed facial embeddings of the same user will still stay clustered together
- Transformed facial embeddings of different users will be relatively far away from each other
- Face matching model trained and queried based on transformed facial embeddings



Transformation Parameters	True Verification Accuracy (%) Training Data	Testing Data
No Transformation (Raw Embeddings)	99.7%	96%
100 Partitions & 10e17 Partition Size	99.7%	96%
100 Partitions & 10e6 Partition Size	99.9%	96.7%
10 Partitions & 10e17 Partition Size	99.9%	96%

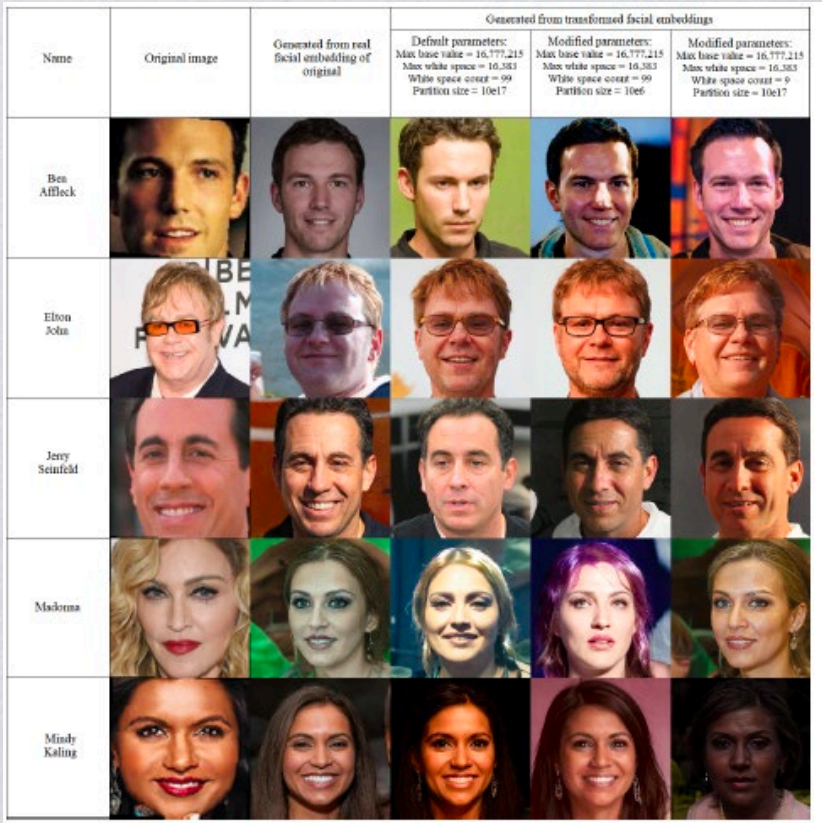
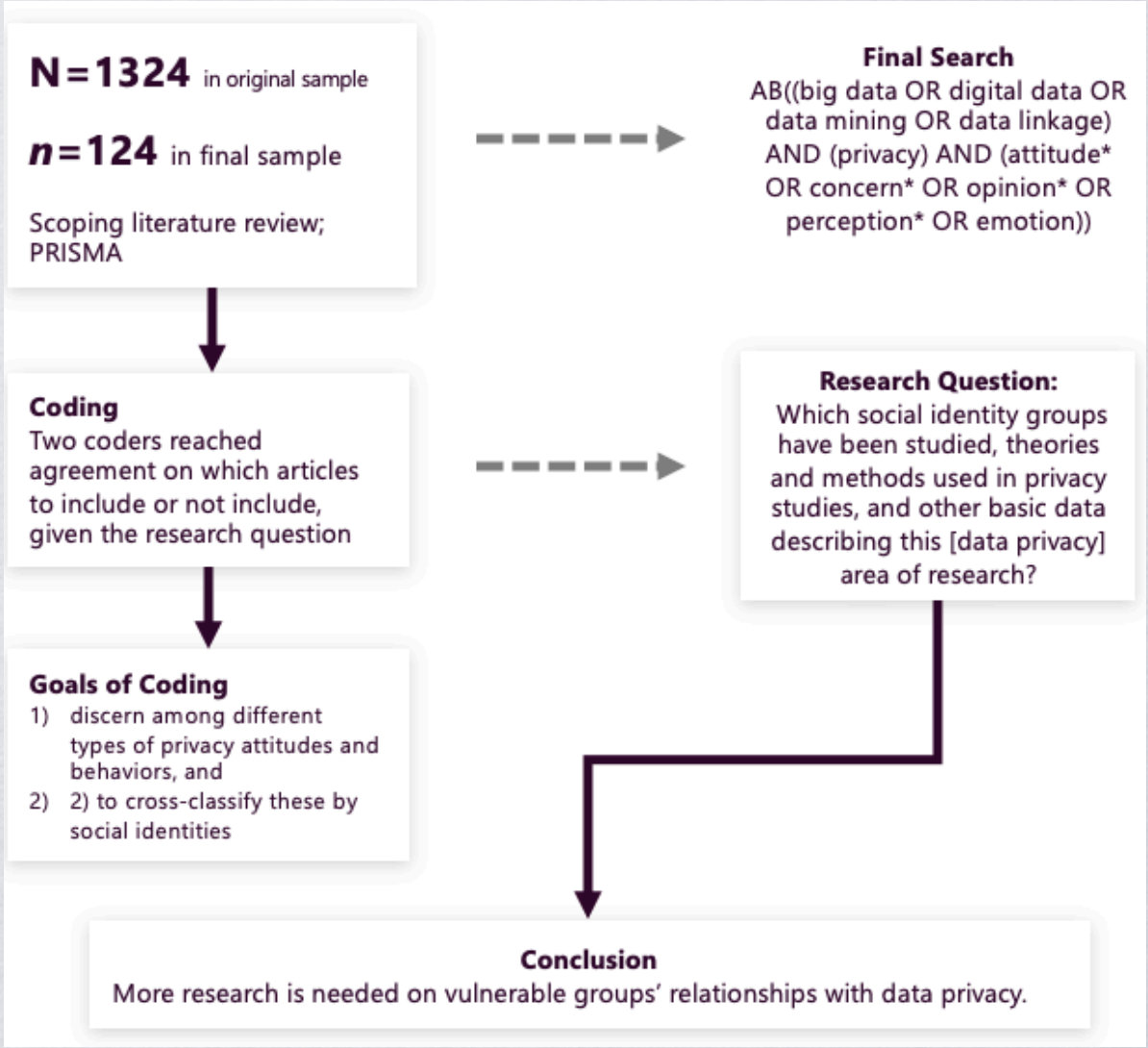


Figure 2: Facial Reconstruction vs Proposed Method

The interface between data privacy and user's social identities

- Systematic literature review of empirical research examining the intersection of social identities and privacy concerns within the big data context.
- Our goal is to better understand how users' social identities inform privacy attitudes and behaviors concerning digital technologies and big data.
- Context matters for privacy concerns, attitudes, and behaviors. Many of these studies did not report how privacy concerns relate to social identities. Although age and gender were frequently examined, many of these studies lacked a theoretical framework to generate a detailed explanation of their findings.



Mining cyberargumentation data for opinion evolution

Deploy new version of cyberargumentation platform

- Collect postings from 100s of University of Arkansas students debating 5 sociological topics (e.g., guns on campus) for future analysis.

Develop expertise in transformer-based natural language processing (e.g., BERT) and apply it to two problems:

- Sentiment analysis (IMDB movie reviews)
  - Publication: G. Nkhata, U. Anjum and J. Zhan, "Movie Reviews Sentiment Analysis Using BERT," The Fifteenth International Conference on Information, Process, and Knowledge Management (eKNOW 2023), to appear.
- Hate speech detection
  - Publication: X. Guo, U. Anjum and J. Zhan, "Cyberbully Detection Using BERT with Augmented Texts," 2022 IEEE International Conference on Big Data (Big Data), pp. 1246-1253.

Project leaders: Gauch, Adams

Sentiment Analysis Architecture

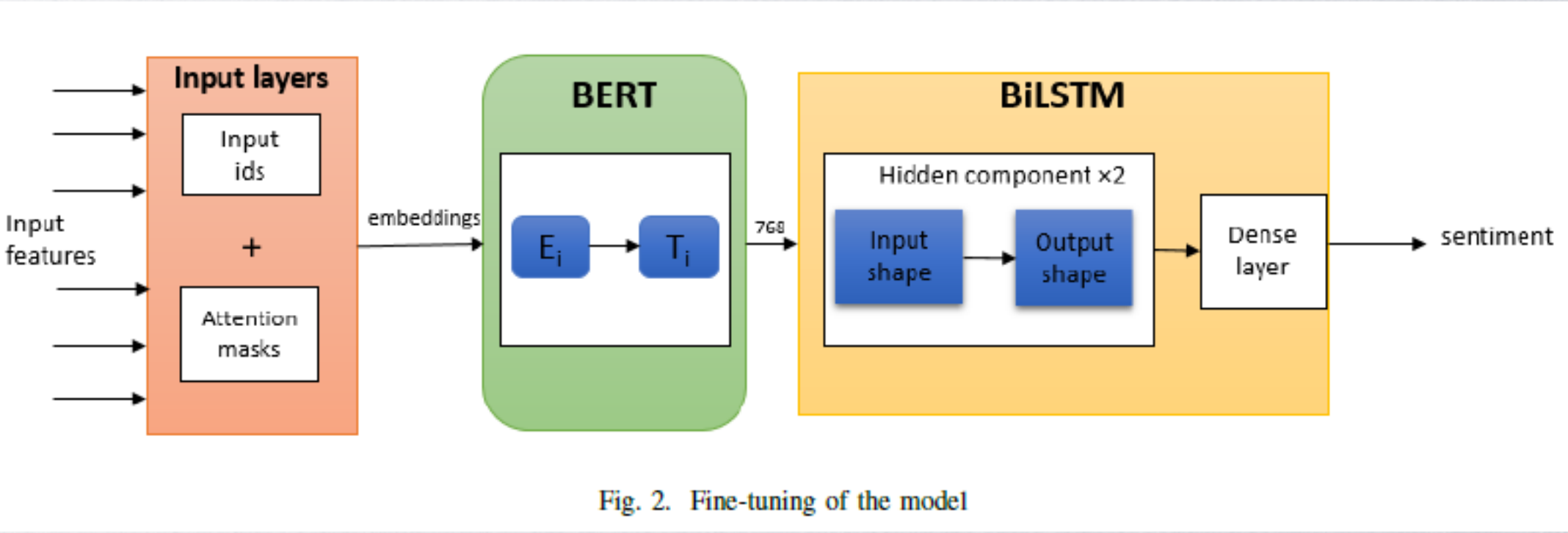
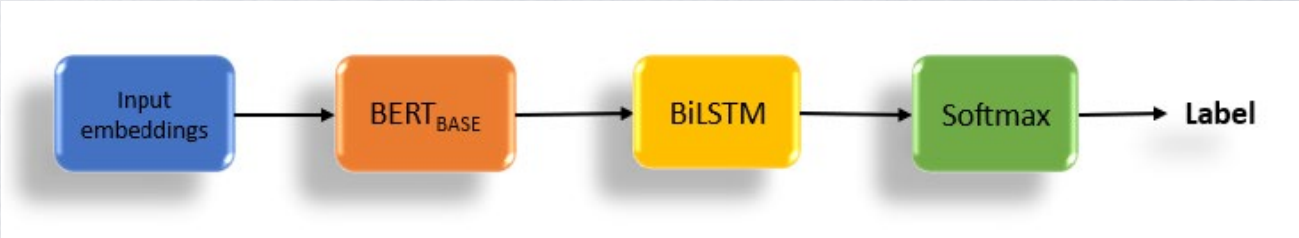
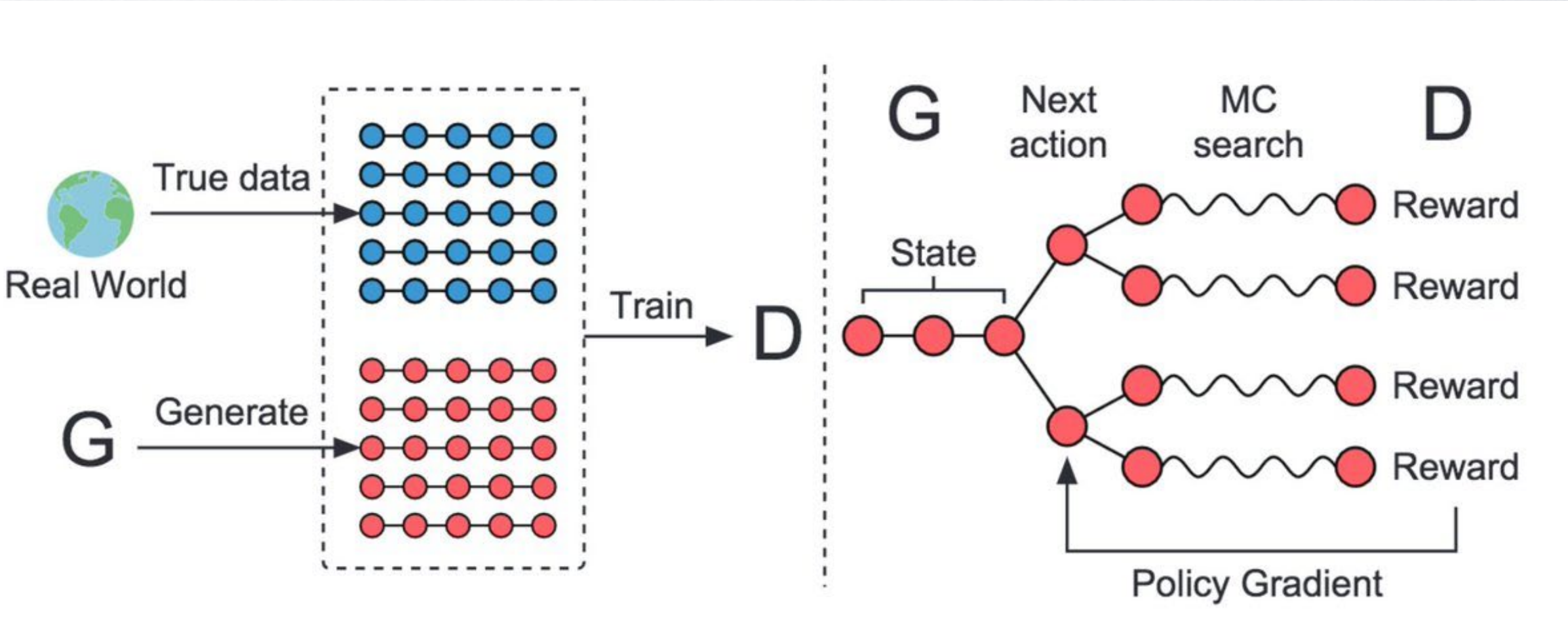


Fig. 2. Fine-tuning of the model



To the best of our knowledge, this is the first work to couple BERT with BiLSTM Results exceed state of the art accuracy on multiple datasets.

Cyberbully Detection Architecture



Outperformed state of the art on smaller and/or unbalanced data sets

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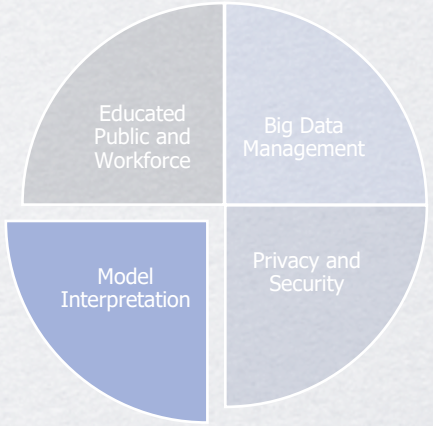


- Successfully integrated CNN approaches on tabular data which incorporates neighborhood effects novel and potentially powerful ways
- Demonstrated a causal inference framework which can explain model predictions using unstructured data
- Developed a Boost-R solution to model stochastic event processes with heterogeneous features
- Bijective Maximum Likelihood image segmentation method achieved state-of-the-art image segmentation performance with no pixel-independent assumption in a tractable and invertible solution.

Learning & Prediction (LP1): Statistical Learning – Random Forests for Recurrent Event Analytics led by Xiao Liu

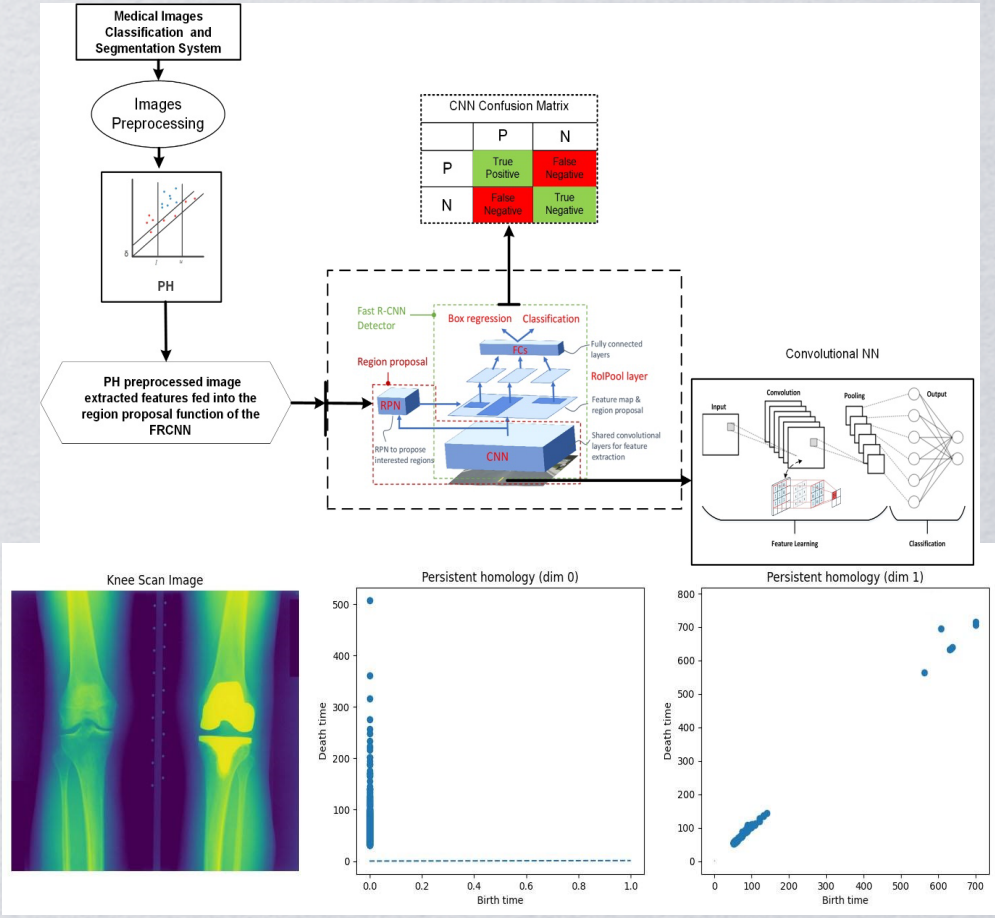
- Developed a new, tree-based model selection algorithm which focuses on interaction among regressors outperforms by multiple measures other selection strategies for linear regression and a logistic regression model of repeat events

- Created a Random-Forest-Based algorithm and a Gradient-Boosted-Tree-Based algorithm for learning and prediction of recurrent event processes

- Contributed open-source code/tools for implementing the algorithms (available on GitHub)

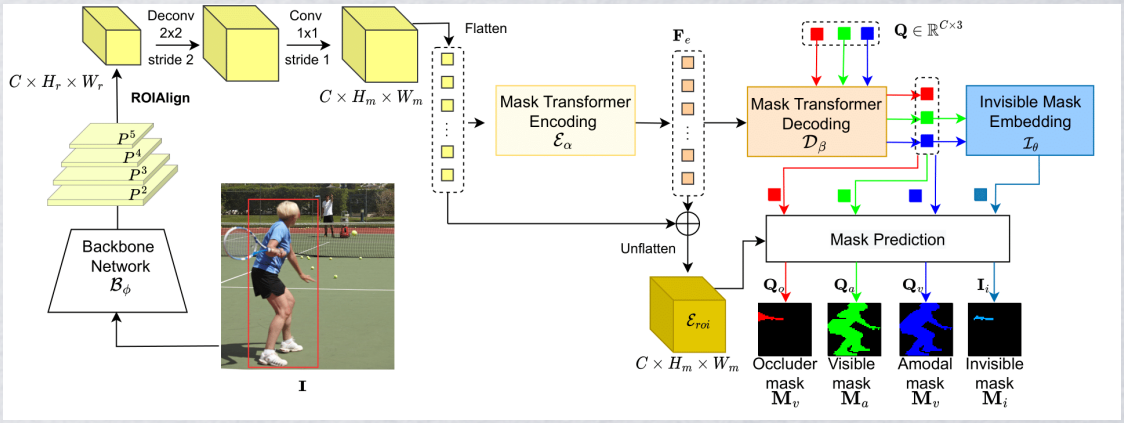
Learning & Prediction (LP3): Deep Learning – Novel Approaches led by Md Karim

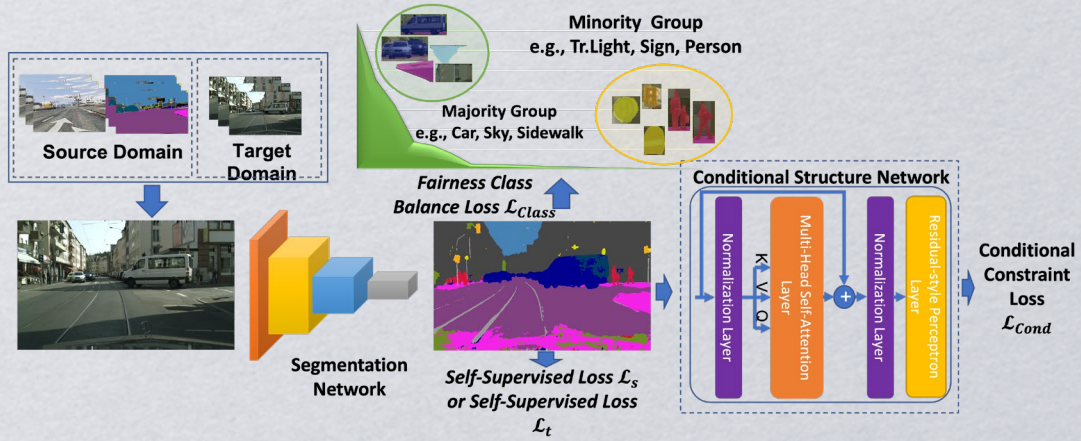
- Developed PH-Net, a hybrid image processing model based on Persistent Homology (PH) and Fast Regional Convolutional Neural Network (FRCNN)
- Developed methods for image localization and image preprocessing using topological data analysis
- Performed an empirical study to determine dataset-specific usability of topological features
- Developed a new Self-supervised Domain Adaptation method in crowd counting
- Contributed a new Fairness Domain Adaptation (FREDOM) approach to semantic scene understanding
- Developed a new Self-supervised Spatiotemporal Transformers (SPARTAN) approach to group action recognition



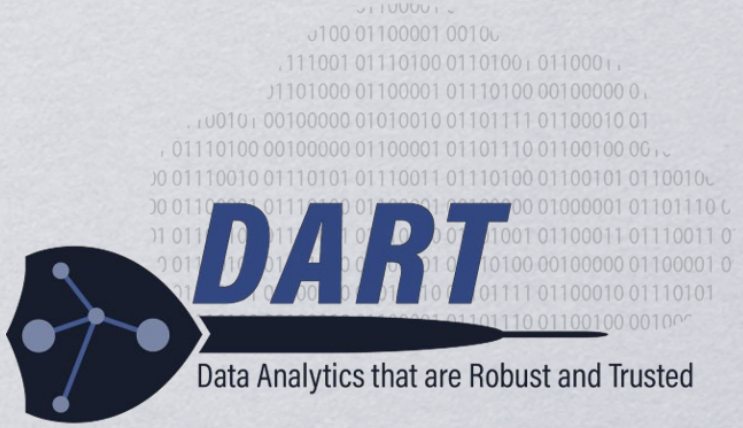
Learning & Prediction (LP4): Deep Learning – Efficiency and Specification led by Khoa Luu

- Developed self-supervised 3D capsule networks for medical segmentation on less labeled data
- Developed a new self-supervised domain adaptation deep learning method to deal with limited training data
- Developed a new equipollent domain adaptation approach for image deblurring
- Proposed new fairness metrics to analyze the complexity and bias training data in deep learning





Significant Accomplishments: ED, Workforce, Broadening Participation



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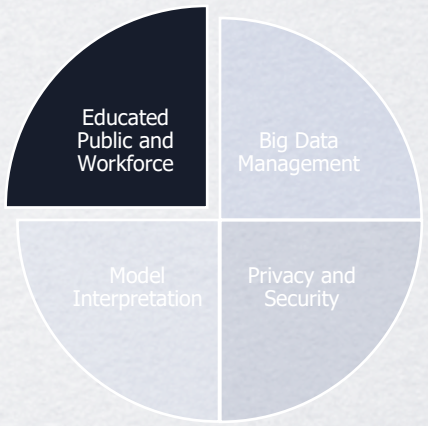


- In 2019, Arkansas had no 4-year DS degrees
- We now have programs implemented with students enrolled at the University of Arkansas, the University of Central Arkansas, and Arkansas State University.
- Two-year college students and faculty are using shared computing resources (in ARP) for the first time
- Arkansas Summer Research Institute keeps growing
- Certificate proposals for 2-year campuses coming soon

Education Theme – Year 3 Accomplishments

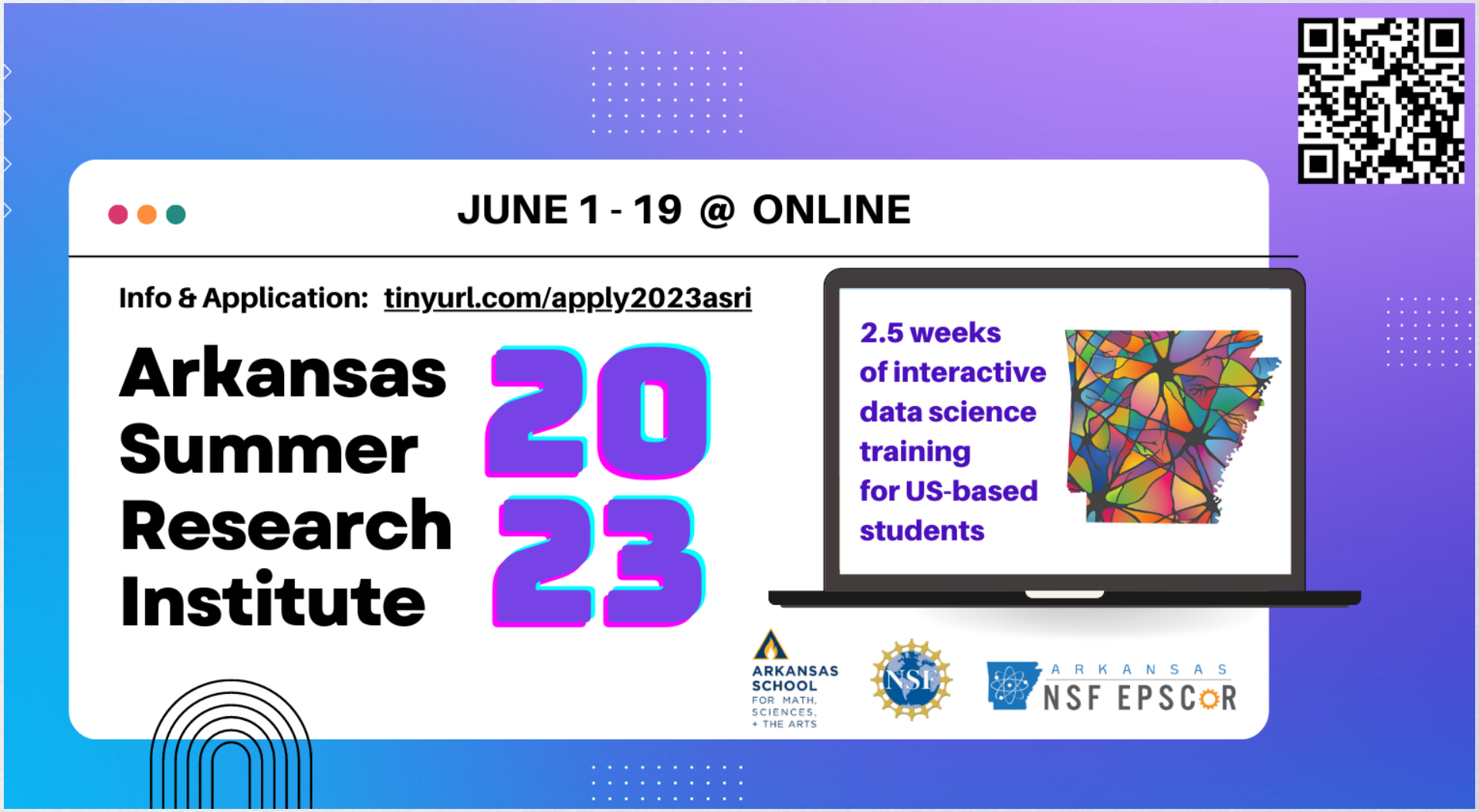
- **4-year Hubs for Common B.S. Data Science 8-semester Plan**
  - UAF is teaching all four years as of this year
  - UCA is evolving its curriculum to match the 8-semester plan
  - A-State is evolving its curriculum to match the 8-semester plan
- **ACTS for DASC 1003 Intro to Data Science has been approved**
  - DASC 1104 and 1223 will be proposed to be developed next
- **NorthArk and UAF are close to finalizing the model 2+2 plan**
  - This will facilitate +2 with UAF, UCA, and A-State
- **Study Abroad Program with the University of Nicosia is nearly complete**
  - Finalizing details for Year 2 Fall and/or Year 2 Spring
  - Designed to work for any institution following the 2+ or 8-semester plan
  - All courses our students would take are taught in English

Education Theme – Year 3 Accomplishments (cont.)

- **Participated in many state-wide Data Science Workshops by ADHE**

- **Conference Papers / Presentations Submitted**
  - ACC Annual Fall 2023 Conference: “Data Science Careers Start at Community College”
    - Theme: Workforce Development
    - Presenter: Laura Berry, Interim Dean of Health Professions, North Arkansas Community College
      - Co-authors: Christine Davis, NWACC; Tina Moore, ADHE; Karl Schubert, UAF
  - ASEE 2023 Annual Conference:
    - Expanding & Improving a Multi-College Interdisciplinary B.S. Data Science Program with Concentrations
    - Theme: ASEE MULTI Division
    - Authors: Karl Schubert, UAF; Lee Shoultz, UAF, Shantel Romer, UAF
    - Note: builds on the previous notes on the Ed-Theme project
    - ASEE 2024 Paper submission will include co-leads & those active to cover the entire Ed-Theme at time of submission

Broadening Participation



~300 applicants so far from all over the US

New sessions, new presenters, and improved flow

Extended by additional 3 days

Any US residents can apply (targeted for undergrads or beginners)

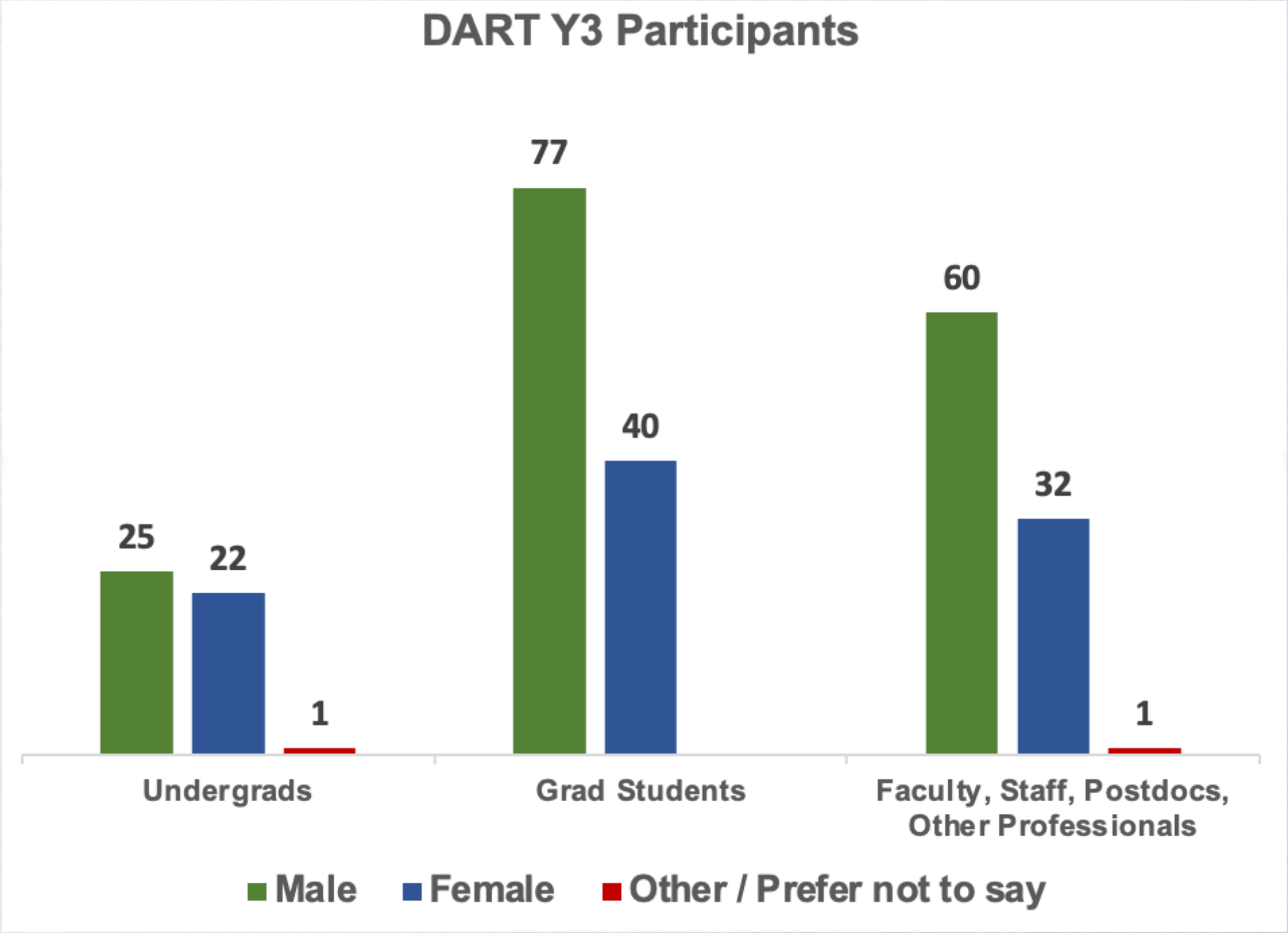
Broadening Participation

SURE Program- Summer Undergraduate Research Experience funding available, contact Brittany @ Brittany.Hillyer@arkansasedc.com

Minigrants up to $5,000 to support professional development, special activities, and other related projects available. Check website for details

DART Participants: Year 3

AEDC	**6**
Arkansas State University	**14**
Arkansas Tech University	**8**
North Arkansas College	**1**
Philander Smith College	**12**
SAU Tech	**1**
Shorter College	**3**
Southern Arkansas University	**17**
University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture	**1**
University of Arkansas Fayetteville	**79**
University of Arkansas Little Rock	**79**
University of Arkansas Medical Sciences	**21**
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff	**7**
University of Central Arkansas	**11**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Female
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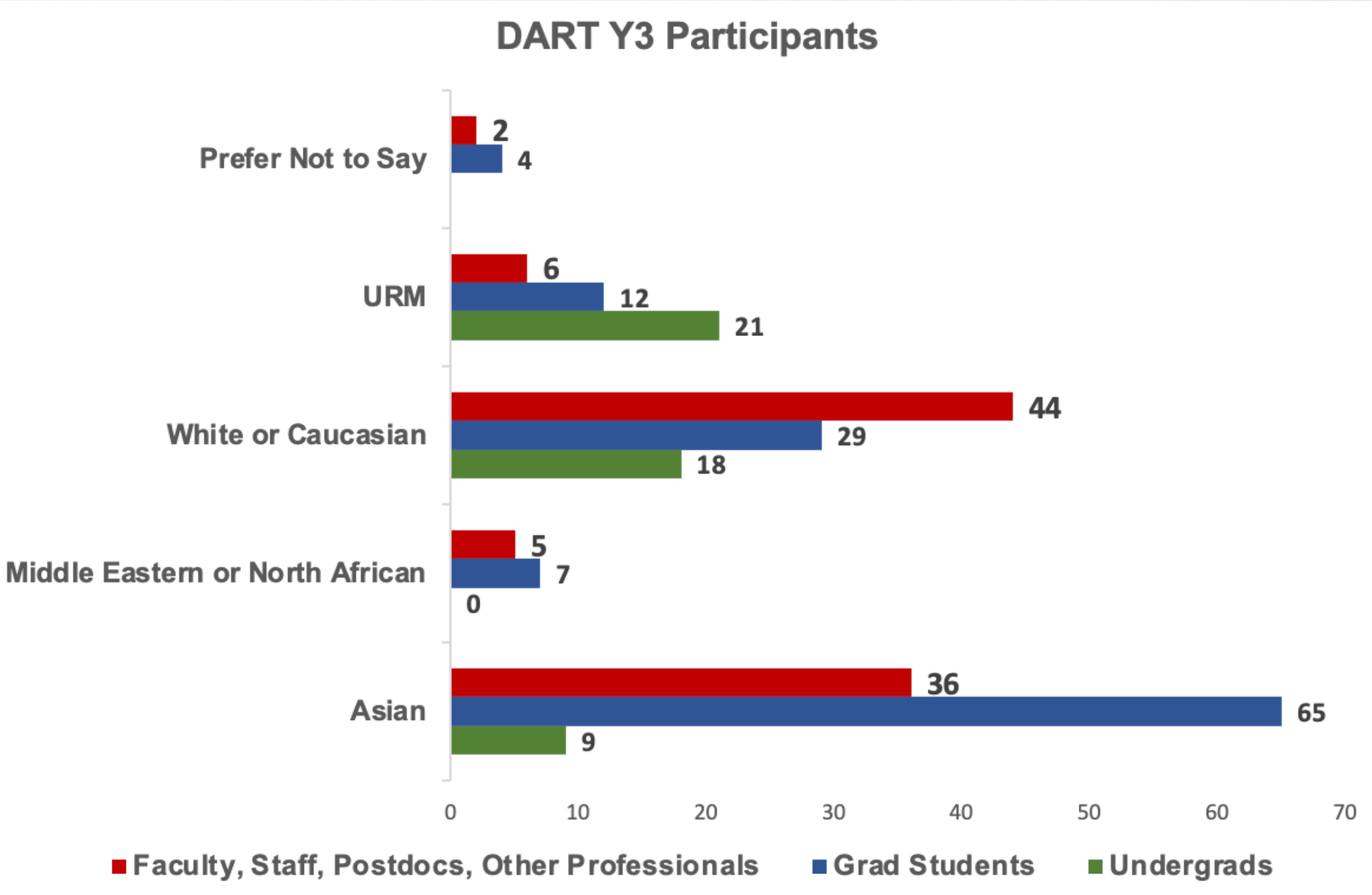
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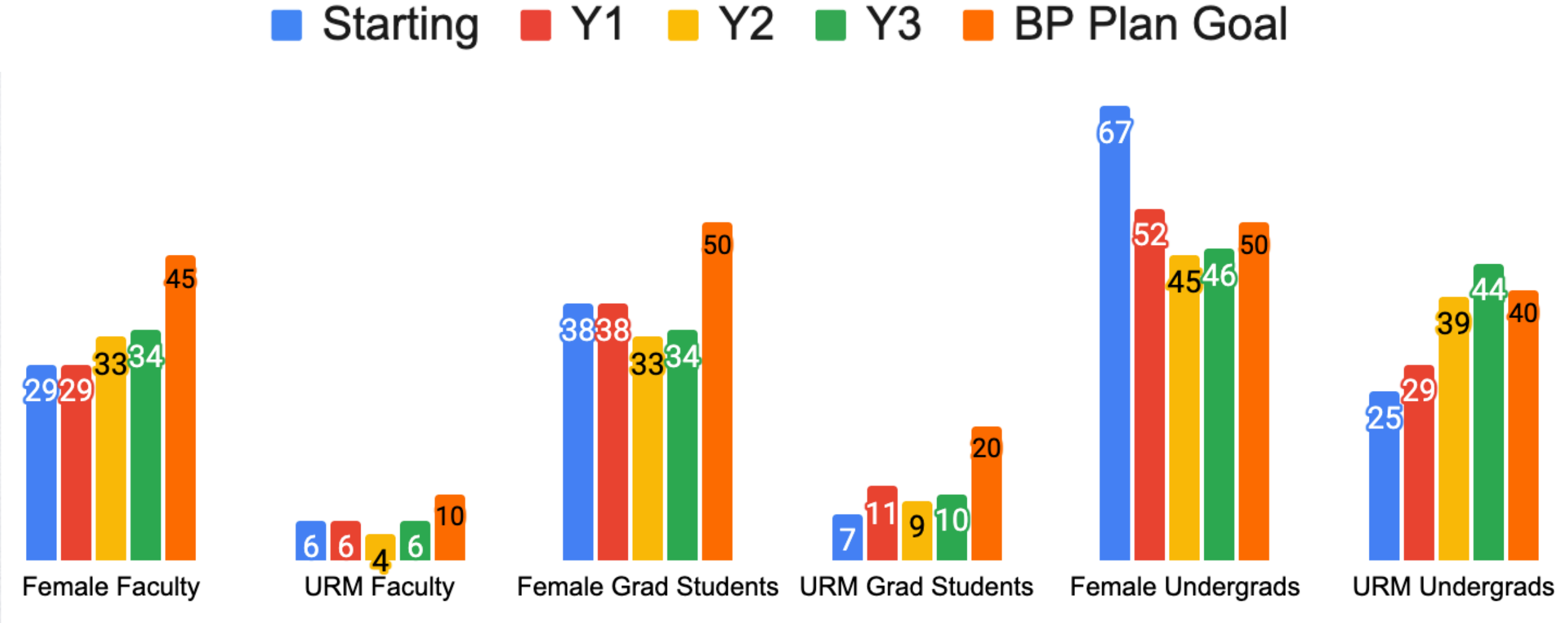
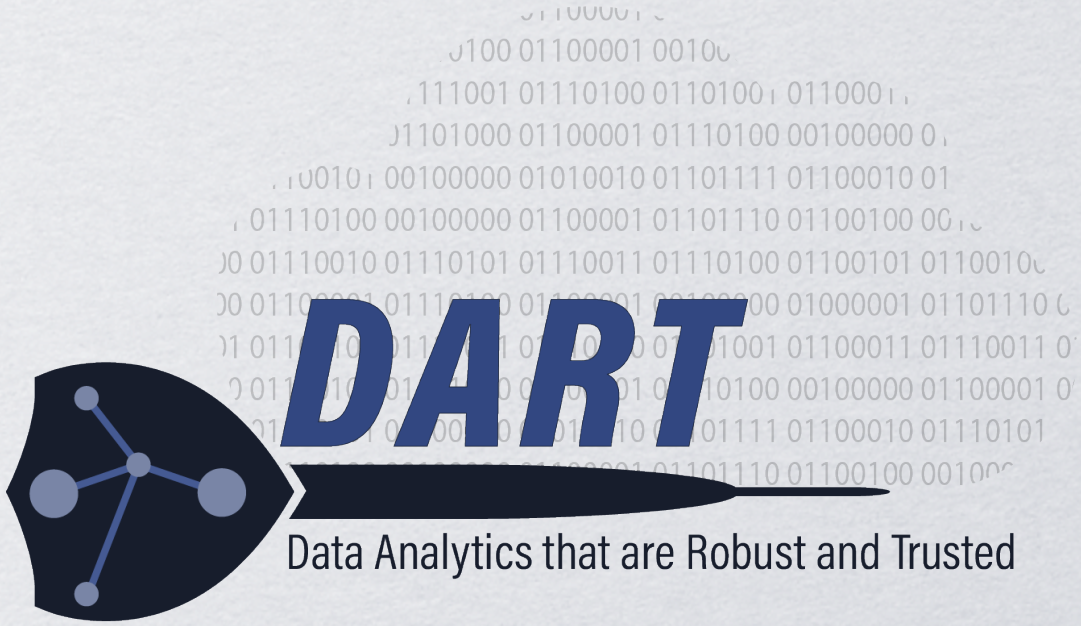
Demographics of DART Participants (Percentage of Whole by Role)



Summary

- On track to meet strategic plan milestones and objectives
- Submitting a revision to strategic plan soon
- Made significant progress and have impactful results and collaborations
- Even more great things to share soon



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