

# **Applied AI in Manufacturing**

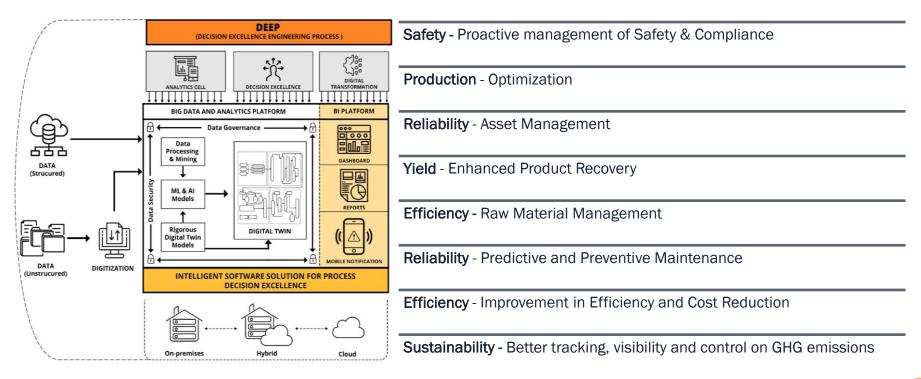
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# Why use AI and what benefits does it bring?

## Introduction to Applied AI in Manufacturing



Al/ML-powered solutions drive operational excellence, delivering tangible cost savings, valuable insights, and enhanced decision-making capabilities



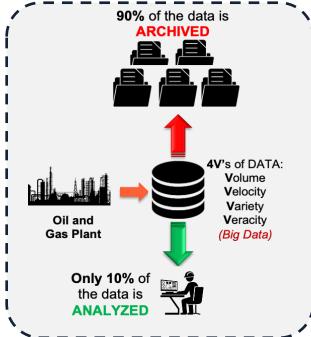
## Why AI Matters in Manufacturing Today



The abundance of manufacturing data can be utilized to identify and solve operational problems

"If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always got." - Henry Ford

- Manufacturing operations teams deal with several daily pain points in process plants
- Relevant data can help provide insight about these pain points
- In today's age, there is no scarcity in the availability of data, but it is not always utilized



- Data points that go under screening are <u>only 10%</u> of the total
- Almost 90% of the remaining data points are ARCHIVED.

## **Empowering Engineers and Operator in Al Tools**



The availability of data and its applied Al-based transformation enhances operations and bolsters decision-making processes



#### **Enhanced Decision Making**

- Al can analyze vast amounts of sensor data to detect anomalies and inefficiencies before they escalate.
- ML algorithms can predict equipment failures and optimize maintenance schedules, reducing downtime.



#### **Improved Safety and Emissions**

- Developing Al-powered alarm guidance applications to help operators make decisions during critical events
- Using AI for predictive maintenance to prevent equipment failures and safety incidents



#### **Optimized Production**

- Analyzing data such as flow rates, temperature, and pressure to optimize operations in real-time.
- Using ML to optimize flow rates, pressure, and other variables for maximize lifetime and production.



#### **Digital Twins and Simulations**

- Creating digital twin technologies for virtual testing of AI solutions
- Allowing Al systems to control parameters of physical assets to meet organizational goals



#### **Knowledge Capture and Chatbots**

- By developing knowledge management systems that digitize domain expertise.
- Accelerating the learning curve for new operators by providing Al-assisted guidance based on historical data.



#### **Predictive Analytics**

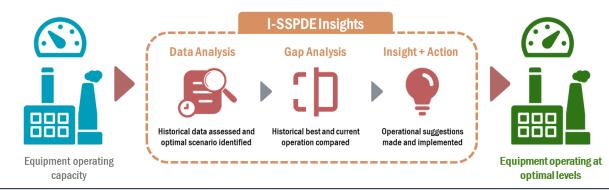
- Forecasting equipment failures, commodity price changes, and customer demand.
- Enabling proactive maintenance and optimization of process operations.

# How can AI be applied for **Process Optimization?**

## **Process Optimization – Dynamic Benchmarking**



The comparison of historical operational data and current data are the basis for benchmarking analysis



Dynamic benchmarking optimizes operational parameters based on production goals while gaining insights to address current bottlenecks

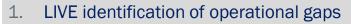


## **Process Optimization – Augmented Intelligence**

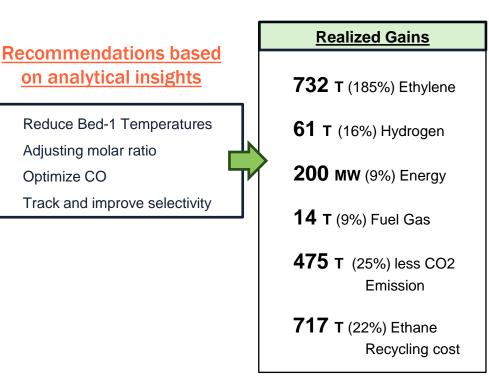


Augmented Intelligence provides actionable insight to improve reactor operations and decision-making





- 2. Predicting run length/catalysts
- 3. Automated alerts to capture issues in real time
- 4. Insights on optimization and stability



## **Process Optimization – Sustainability**



Applied AI can provide optimization insights; plants can save costs and improve sustainability





# Where has AI been applied effectively?

## **Process Optimization – Efficiency and Profitability**

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Applied AI can provide optimization insights; plants can save costs through efficient production, energy reduction, and profit maximization

**Power Plant** - An optimizer model with smart displays to help optimize plant operation, increase profits and meet the critical demands.

#### Solution Overview



Powered by advanced algorithms providing real-time insights

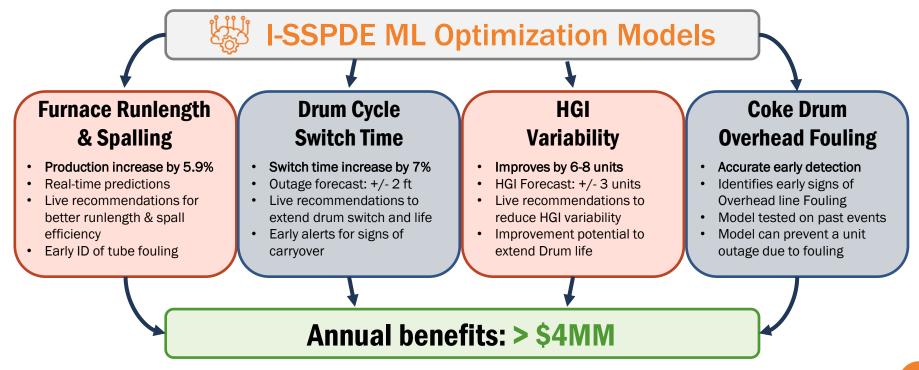
#### **Key Features**

- Real Time Optimizer solution live with insights.
- Feature to utilize LIVE PRICING
- Ability to define dynamic constraints.
- Comparison on Actual and Optimized profitability
- Customized report for individual equipment and overall plant
- Live dashboards for all units and overall power optimization
- What-if capability to evaluate different scenario with changing conditions

## **Process Optimization – Refinery Coker Unit**



A US refinery major implemented I-SSPDE to great success – furnace optimization of runlength, spalling, drum cycle switch time, and fouling detection.



## **Process Optimization – Cell Monitoring**



#### Interactive dashboards help monitoring vast data from different sources in an efficient way

#### Key Features

- The dashboard runs on the latest available data with specific inputs from IP21 (Tags, LIMS & PRIDE) and CCMS database
- The integrated dashboard provides a comprehensive view of all the cell parameters, along with:
  - Highlighting deviations in cell parameters for all circuits, and
  - Further drill downs to electrolyzer as well other individual elements.
- Provides quick-view lists of "Good Electrolyzers", "Electrolyzers having opportunities" and "Electrolyzers need immediate action".
- Provides user-specified graphs and trends for all the cell parameters displayed.
- Provides insights on historical trends for these cell parameters to help identify electrolyzers performance in longer run.

Quick analysis and decisions related to doping

Reduces time for analysis + helps focused decision making



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# What is the toolset that an AI/ML application should bring?

## **Practical Approach – Ingenero I-SSPDE**



Ingenero follows a multifaceted approach that results in improved efficiency and production



Actionable Intelligence Smart analytical engine



Hybrid Models Al/ML + 1<sup>st</sup> Principle



Data Historian Agnostic Wide compatibility



Smart Dashboards Interactive levels



Financial Optimizer Cost savings analysis



False Positive Resistant Real and accurate



Real-time Live data solutions



Multidimensional Covers wide spectrum



Soft sensors Address drift/anomalies



## **Actionable Intelligence**

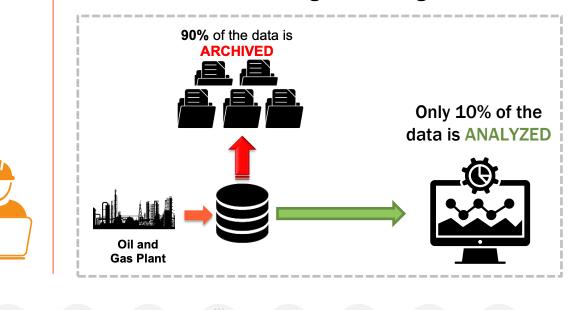


A smart analytical engine will deliver actionable insight from data

#### **Basic information collection**

In order to get required information, an operator predominantly utilizes DCS along with:

- APC
- Analyzers
- Historian
- Lab Analysis and field data (TMTs, Delta P)



#### Is collecting data enough?



## **Actionable Intelligence**

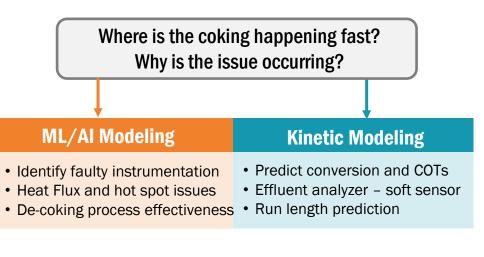


Al solutions generate easily interpreted insights that can be applied by effectively combining human intelligence and control systems...

## Intelligence to analyze available data and solve challenges such as:

- Identify differential coking
- Instrumentation and analyzer issues
- Process control variations
- Impact on run length
- Optimal parameters to maximize yield and capacity

## **Identifying Differential Coking**

















## **Actionable Intelligence (Example)**



Furnace -1 Detailed Overview

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...such as providing the necessary intelligence to improve Overall Asset Effectiveness (throughput x yield x availability)

Limiting Runlength : North Side Coil 4

Performance Index 72.3 %	Capacity Utilization 92.1 %	Limiting Runlength Coil - 4 Predicted : 65 Days		Deviating Parameters <b>23 / 110</b>		Runl Actual North South	Days         Date           30         14" Jul 2021 00:00           Predicted         65         18" Aug 2021 00:00           Optimized         95         17" Sep 2021 00:00           Predicted         95         17" Sep 2021 00:00           Optimized         95         17" Sep 2021 00:00           Optimized         95         17" Sep 2021 00:00
Contributors				State Bad	Tag All	_	Furnace Detailed Overview
Tag	Design	Optimum	Actual	% Contribution	State		Notifications
N- Coils COP (bar)	0.7	0.7	1.5	10.1	•		Uneven firing is observed in Coil-4
Coil-4 Temp Gradient ( <sup>O</sup> C)	-	30	50	7.5	•		North side heat flux is high
Coil-4 Feed valve opening (%)	-	60	80	6.1	•		Recommendation
Coil-8 COT ( <sup>O</sup> C)	840	838	852	4.0	•		Burner across oil-4 can be shut off Decrease COT in North & Increase in South coils by 1 degC
							Algorithm Status

		NORTH				SOUTH				
Coil Parameters	UOM	Coil 2	Coil 4	Coil 6	Coil 8	Coil 1	Coil 3	Coil 5	Coil 7	
Predicted Runlength	Days	105	65	98	73	120	95	118	132	
Fuel gas Flow	T/hr			2.1		1.6				
SHC	-			0.3		0.32				
Severity	%	58	68	60	63	55	61	57	53	
Coking index	%	25	58	29	48	35	35	27	20	
Feed Normalized CV OP	%	69	98	73	78	62	85	65	54	
СОТ										
COT	deg C	840	852	843	848	835	845	838	830	
COT Diff from avg Pass	deg C	-6	6	-3	2	-2	8	1	-7	
Optimized COT	deg C	843	849	843	848	835	840	838	835	
Feed										
Feed	T/hr	3.2	3.6	2.8	3.4	3.2	3.6	2.8	3.4	
Feed diff from Avg Pass	T/hr	-0.05	0.35	-0.45	0.15	-0.05	0.35	-0.45	0.15	
Optimized Feed	T/hr	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.4	
TLE Parameters	UOM	TLE-A				TLE-B				
Predicted Runlength	bar	96			125					
TLE inlet pressure (COP)	bar		1.4			1.2				
TLE outlet temperature	deg C		340				3	05		
TLE Performance Index	%		85				92			

Deviating Parameter Overview

- 1. LIVE identification of operational GAP's
- 2. Prediction of coking and run length
- 3. Automated alerts to capture potential issues in real time
- 4. Insights on furnace scheduling and stability



## **Hybrid Models**



Combining AI, ML, and 1<sup>st</sup> principle models leads to best results

The traditional approach (Standalone models)

While operations are set up to be stable, there are a few complications:

- Conservative limits set up
- Limits the scope of your results
- Limits success rate for certain situations

## The improved approach

(Use of AI/ML, hybrid models and analytics)







Improved efficiency



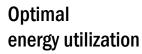
Ensured on-spec production



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Maximized product recovery











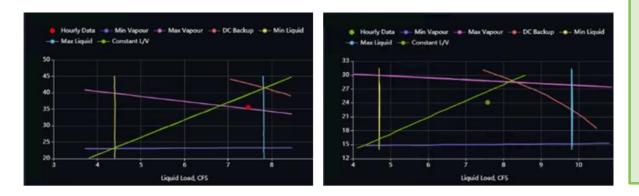
## Hybrid Models (Example)



Al provides LIVE hydraulics, tray loadings at different sections of a column and prescriptive guidance to maximize capacity and ensure on-spec product

### Utilizing Hybrid models to

- o Identify anomalies and take corrective actions
- o Clear alerts and warnings on deviations in operating points
- o Flooding limits and predictive advice



#### ML Model + Hydraulic Model

- Provides optimal set-points for product draw rate and control tray temperature to avoid off spec product
- Predicts operating points which helps monitor hydraulics and take pro-active actions to prevent flooding
- Utilizes first principle model results and find operating point on real time operation













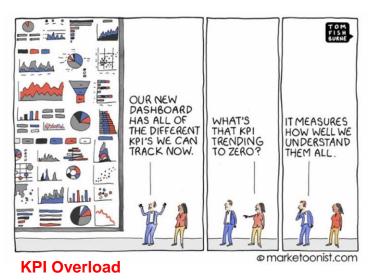


## **Smart Dashboards**



Smart dashboards with interactive levels provide insights to enhance decision making and drive operations to an optimal level

### Limited time, too much data, little understanding!



### Smart dashboards with relevant insights

#### A well-designed, functional dashboard has:

- $\circ$   $\;$  Refined UI & UX with concise representation
- o Information sorted by relevant hierarchies
- o Customized KPIs based on requirement

### It avoids and eliminates:

- o Broad records
- o Outdated methods, e.g., tracking sheets
- Cluttered data representation













## Smart Dashboards (Example)



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A bird's eye view and drill down level views with an interactive interface is provided



## Key elements for an effective smart dashboard:

- Interactive date range selection
- KPI tracking based on need and actual use
- Color coding indicating degree of criticality
- o Drill down capability
- Data errors removed instead of raw data



## Smart Dashboards (Example)



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Multi-level dashboards with insights can optimize operations (e.g. steam balance)



Overview with alerts, recommendations and observations



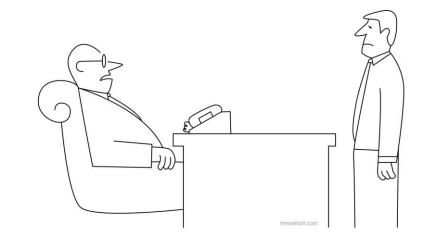
## **Financial Optimizer**



Financial insights are key drivers of improvement

## Siloed information results in ineffective optimization

- Process optimization in one part of process equipment can impact other parts, leading to decreased output and productivity
- Results from the lack of an end-toend operations view



"The only Big Data letters I care about are the four Ms — Make Me More Money!"















## Financial Optimizer (Example)



Financial impacts of process change and customizing the AI solution to address the manufacturing problem are critical to capture value



## Optimize using financial insights



Motivates operations to make changes



**Clear cost-benefit analysis** 



Impact of change easily observed



Helps drive performance to actual benefit











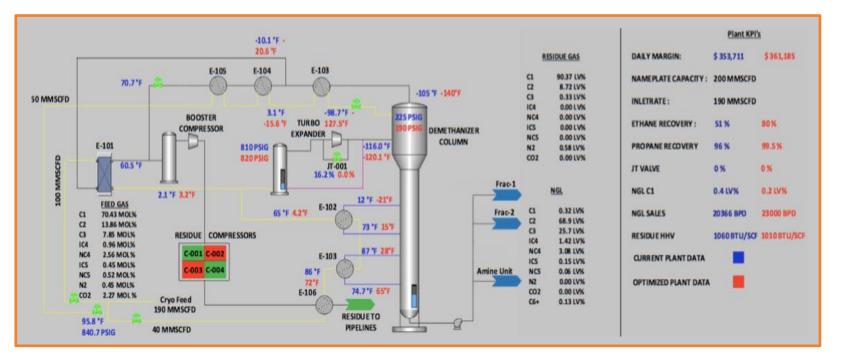




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## False Positive Resistant

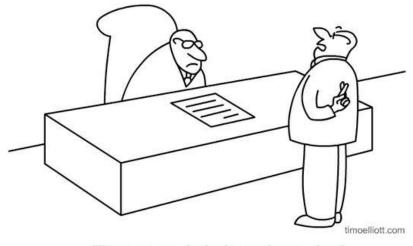


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Compromising on accuracy is not an option, as each action has its own consequences, especially in the manufacturing process

#### Low reliability leads to inaction

- Often, inadequate time is spent to select data for training and ensuring its quality, handling, and testing
- Operators hesitate to utilize inputs on board if there is a lack of dependability.
- This leads to delayed action or lack of any action



"Yes sir, you can absolutely trust those numbers"





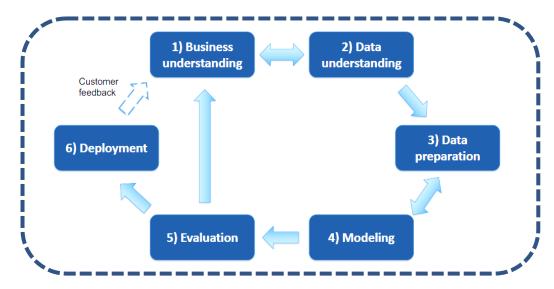


## **False Positive Resistant**



Following the right data science process makes results more accurate

#### **Calibrating towards real and accurate results**



A thorough Data Science Process can be followed to get close to real and accurate





## **Real-time Solution**



Al solutions create maximum impact when they deliver insight on a real time basis

### **Real-time intervention is crucial!**

- Lack of timely intervention can lead to a slowdown of processes
- Slower analysis and implementation timeline
- This leads to inability to capture value

With the dynamic nature of manufacturing processes, it is crucial to track data in real-time to be able to understand and act in a timely manner.



Data Tracking



**Deviation Tracking** 



**Optimization opportunities/suggestions** 









#### Live display noting deviations and opportunities drives process optimization

#### **Highlights**:

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- **Operational guidance**
- Actionable insights  $\checkmark$
- Gaps and bottlenecks
- Achieve targets and  $\checkmark$ realize \$\$
- Multiple scenarios  $\checkmark$
- **Dynamic Benchmarks**

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## **Multidimensional Solution**



Successful AI solutions address a wide spectrum of areas to glean value

## Some solutions only address part of your operations

Focusing on one aspect of a process tends to lead to:

- Suboptimal operational performance
- Lower KPIs
- Decrease in the overall production/yield

## A complete solution covers a multitude of operational issues

#### FURNACE RUN-LENGTHYield TURNAROUND Throughput AVAILABILITY Emissions RELIABILITY Safety COMPLIANCE Energy YIELD Overall Equipment Efficiency COST Turnaround EMISSIONS CYCLE-TIME Cycle-Time QUALITY Availability PROFITABILITY OEE (Overall Equipment Efficiency) Compliance Furnace-Run Length ENERGY THROUGHPUT SAFETY



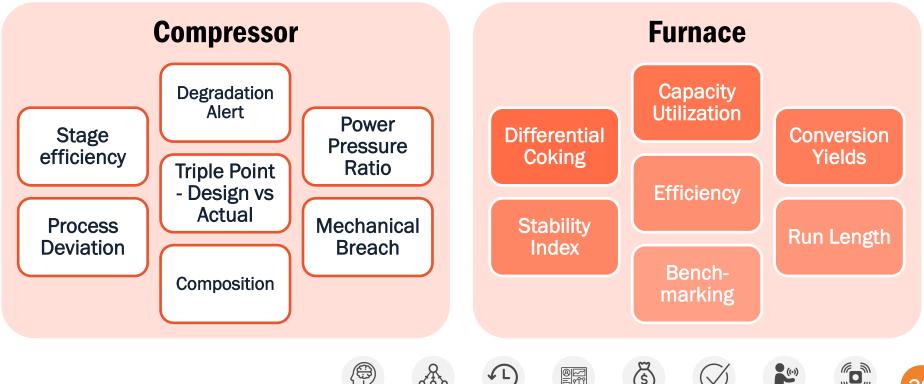




## **Multidimensional Solution (Example)**



Al solutions should cover a wide spectrum of KPIs and potential problem areas



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Soft sensors are utilized to generate critical and accurate data insights to address any instrument drift or anomalies



#### **Soft sensor tags** Tracks key operational changes

**Key parameter tracking** E.g. TLE Outlet Temp, furnace effluent analyzers, column DP, etc.

#### Driven by analytical models

Uses state of the art detection and predictive models



**Features** 

#### **Detection models**

Identifies instrument drift for furnace feed & dilution steam flow meter, furnace oxygen analyzer



#### **Predictive models**

Uses soft sensor tags for TLE outlet temperature, Furnace COT, Furnace effluent, column PDI, etc.

## Erroneous instruments can affect process stability and performance

- ✓ Feed and Steam flow meter
- ✓ Critical Temperatures
- ✓ Effluent/Product Analyzer
- ✓ Furnace TLE Outlet Temperature
- ✓ Column Pressure
- ✓ Surface Condenser pressure
- ✓ ∆P for critical Columns









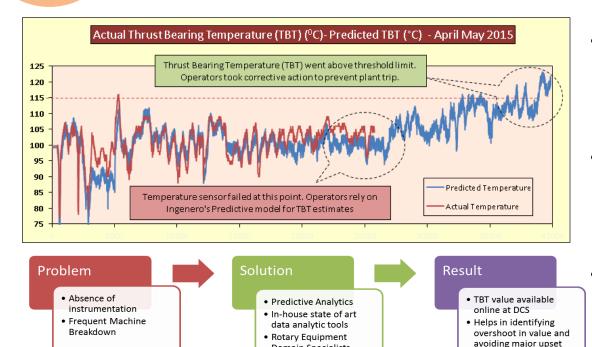


## Soft Sensors (Example)



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A Soft Sensor for thrust bearing temperature improved process reliability



Domain Specialists

- Soft-sensors developed based on ML-Al based models incorporating deep understanding from the domain knowledge.
- Help providing
  - Early warning
  - Timely arrest process upset and loss thereof
- Intuitive representation using advanced charting functionality

## **I-SSPDE Digital Transformation**



Providing AI for manufacturing plants including for major equipment with multi-faceted approach



Ingenero's Intelligent Software Solution for Process Decision Excellence (I-SSPDE) enables digital transformation for exponential value capture

> Value Example -> Supported ethylene plant site to move from Furnace deficient to surplus condition (6% Capacity Gain without any CAPEX)

## **Boosting Profitability with Al**



Digital transformation powered by applied AI offers a wide range of benefits that boost profitability while keeping efficiency, sustainability, waste reduction, and reliability in mind



#### PROFITABILITY

Understand the 'What' and 'Why' of every individual cog in the process to identify the margin improvements of the process by appropriate optimization to achieve overall profitability.



#### SAFETY

Enhance quality and safety assurance enabling quicker decision-making process, proactive management of safety and compliances, and a pro-active handling of operational failures.

#### ENERGY

Energy mapping and optimization can realize potential savings in utility consumption for any unit whilst maintaining /improving profitability levels



#### EMISSIONS

Measuring and tracking emission quantification in collaboration with continuous emission compliance support aids to create an up-to-date database of plant emissions and provide possible solutions to minimize emissions.



#### RELIABILITY

Provide monitoring, analytical data supported decisions based on accurate predictive and diagnostic information through constant monitoring of a unit. Resulting in support for decision making and improving asset availability of a unit.



#### PERFORMANCE

Deeper insights, benchmarking, continuous observations and real-time tracking of each individual unit and its pieces to identify problem areas as well as improvement opportunities.

# What challenges are there with AI implementation?

## **Al Integration - Challenges**



Al implementation can cause problems related to data, technology and infrastructure, and human capital; there are paths forward to address these challenges

	Data	Infrastructure	Human Capital
Challenges	<ul> <li>Data quality, formatting, architecture are different</li> <li>Need for data cleaning</li> <li>Mismatch in available data vs end use case application</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Legacy systems may not be up to date with Al applications</li> <li>New solutions may not integrate easily with existing solutions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Personnel not trained in Al-specific data analysis and ML techniques</li> <li>Potential resistance to change</li> </ul>
Solution Pathway	<ul> <li>Standardized data collection</li> <li>Developing specialized tools to handle unstructured data</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implement middleware solutions to bridge gap between new and legacy systems</li> <li>Custom UI development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Change Management</li> <li>Diversity in team skillsets</li> <li>Knowledge transfer programs</li> </ul>

## **Extracting Value: The Last Critical Mile**



Al is a tool best leveraged with intentional application to yield powerful insights

## Conquer the last mile in the Applied Al marathon



- It is not enough to just understand the software and the concepts it applies
- Utilizing it to solve problems and present the insights in a meaningful way is key
- Align with individual-team (internal/external) as an implementation partner, who:
- o Understands the complexity
- o Has the skill sets
- Knows the realistic time and effort required
- Has the expertise, experience and focus required for implementation and continuous improvement

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