




# DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION



## AFRY E-DAP – *An end-to-end* web-app for industrial data engineering and analytics

Supporting companies in their digitalisation transformation

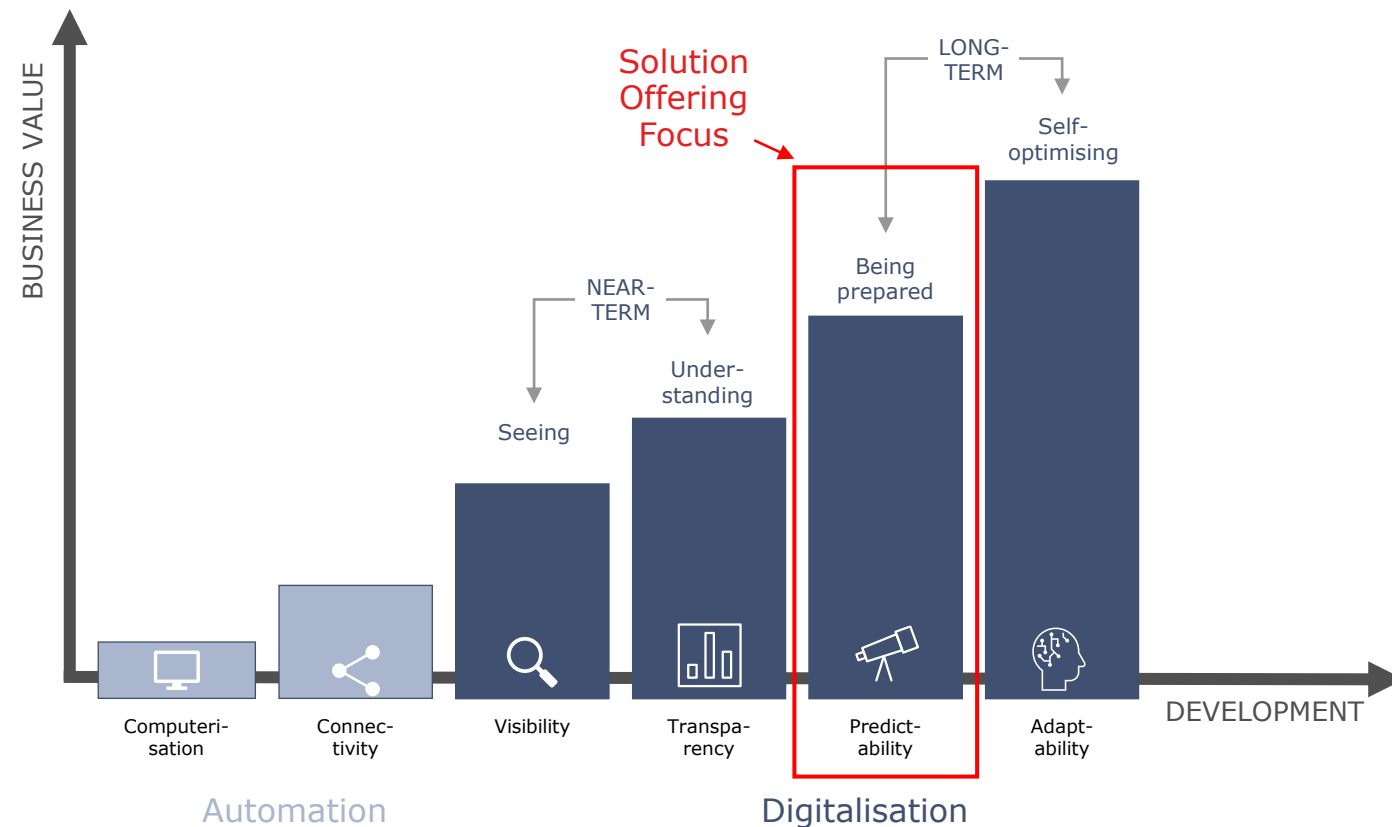
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# Why is E-DAP unique?

AFRY has developed E-DAP to support asset infrastructure operators in their digital transformation journey by valuating their data

### THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION JOURNEY



### E-DAP KEY BENEFITS

- A **fully integrated, modular** and **secure** data analytics platform that can **process live IoT** asset's data
- Identify new ways to control production, **optimize processes**, reduce variances, **predict asset's maintenance** and support with root-cause analysis
- Defer your investment and **improve your TOTEX margin** remuneration for improving your capital efficiency
- Gain the **capability to conduct sensitivity analysis** of your asset health index with respect to changes in operational and condition data

## WHY AFRY

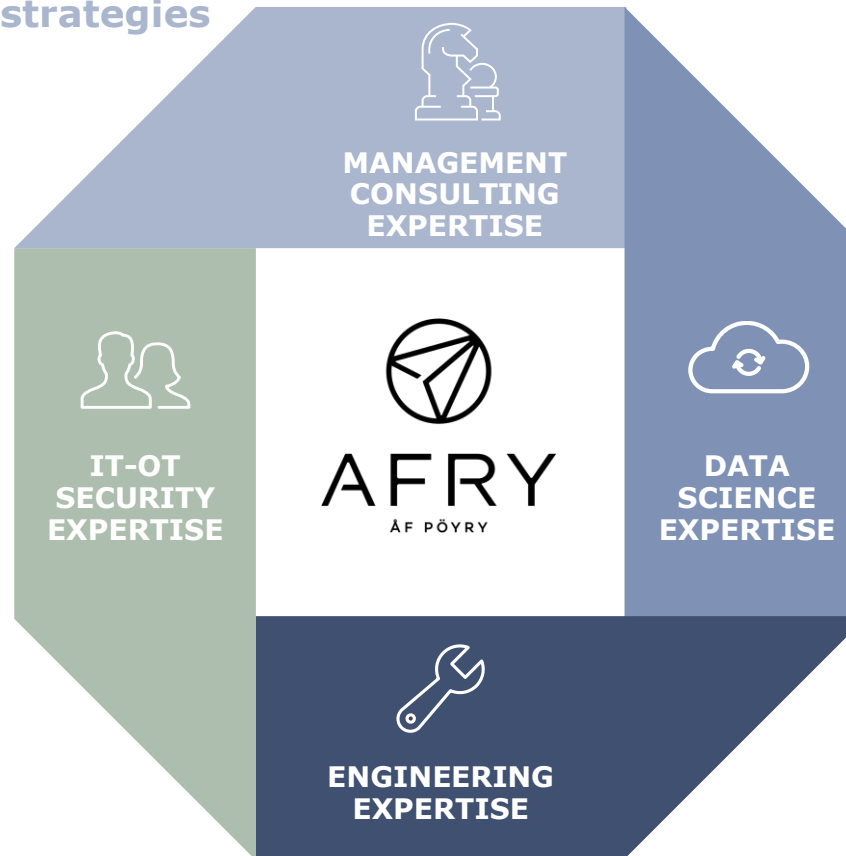
We are unique in combining management consulting, data science, engineering and IT-OT security expertise in one-house to serve our clients

### We develop & implement digital strategies

Market-leading trusted advisor for transmission and distribution system operators, supporting them in reorganising their processes, evaluating business use cases, scouting for innovation or assessing impact of regulatory changes

### We digitalise assets & processes

Proprietary digital solutions developed and managed by highly experienced data science professionals who master the art of extracting insights from big data analytics



### We speak IT-OT security

Highly experienced technology consultants with leading corporate functions in IT and OT security departments of digital companies

### We plan and build power grids

Global network of engineering experts for power lines, substations and transformer design, large EPC projects as well as asset operation and maintenance services

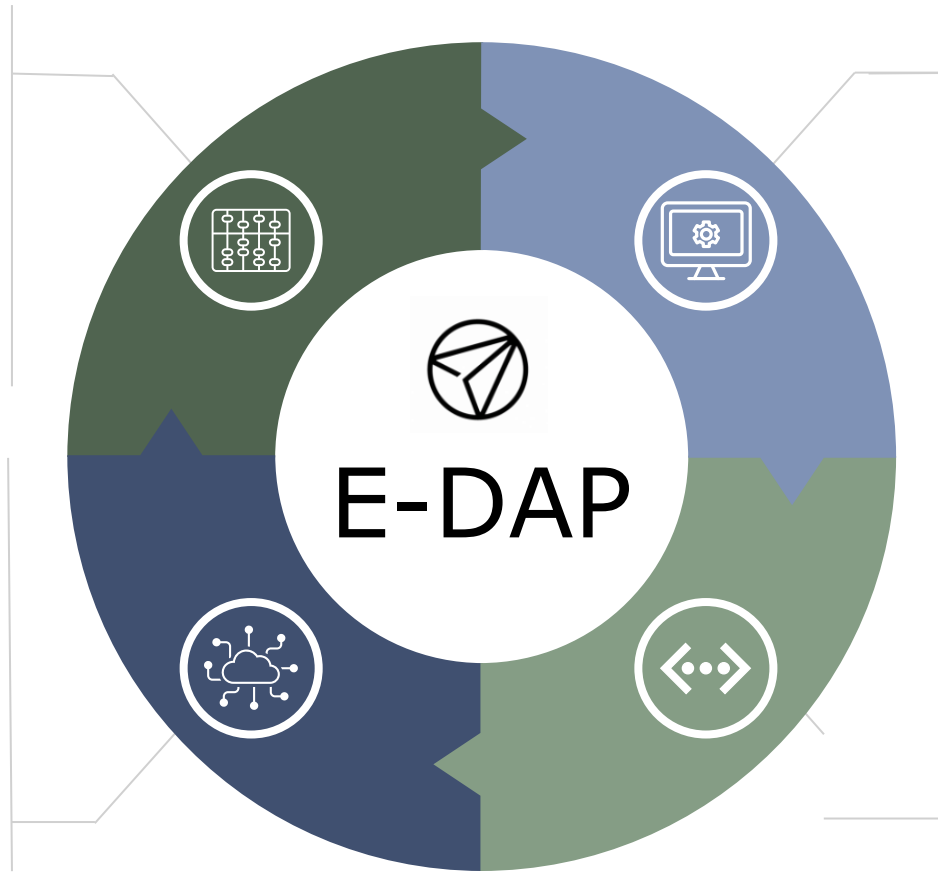
E-DAP is AFRY's data analytics platform designed for asset infrastructure owners seeking to optimise their O&M costs and capital efficiency

### 1 End-to-End architecture

- Encompassing all data analytics ingredients, without being distracted by other tools (Open BI, AI resources, notebooks...)
- IoT (Kepware, MQTT, Scada); data engineering & management, ML/AI, Digital twin, Insight page

### 4 IoT Ingestion and Live Dashboarding

- IoT data are not always sufficient
- Combine simulation & IoT data to enrich ML-training
- Create artificial faults and extrapolate application range
- Create simulation digital twins



### 2 Tailored Insight Hub

- A dedicated page for model and digital twin (DT) reporting
- The page reports KPI's specific to:
  - a. *Operational Excellence*
  - b. *Predictive Maintenance and anomaly/fault Detection*
- KPI's are either calculated on the IoT live data, or on the DT results

### 3 Extended Connectivity

- Can connect to external platforms via
- Import standard ML/AI models
  - Import FMU models (e.g. Modelica)
  - Connect to data brokers with REST API
  - Process-flowsheet & BIM configurations

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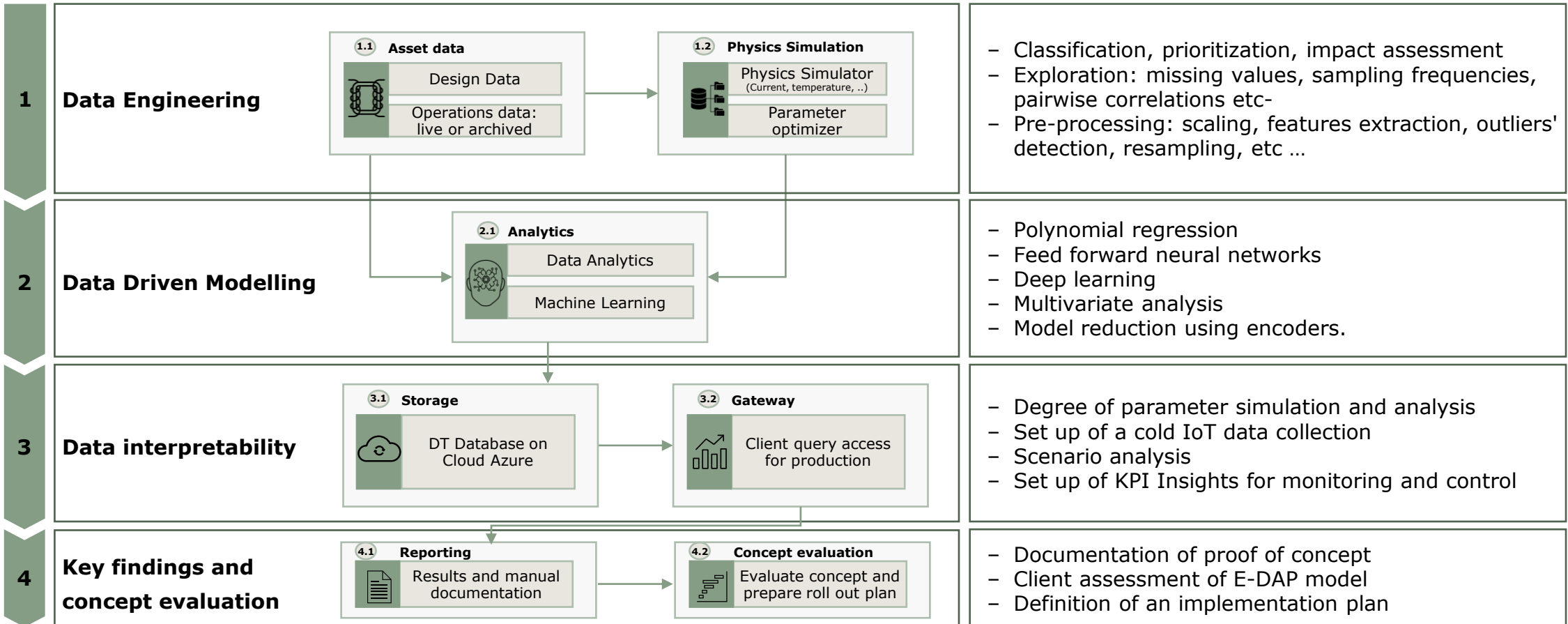
# What is E-DAP workflow?

# AFRY follows a structured workflow to engineer the data and build a digital twin of the asset with machine learning algorithms for behavior prediction

**TASKS**

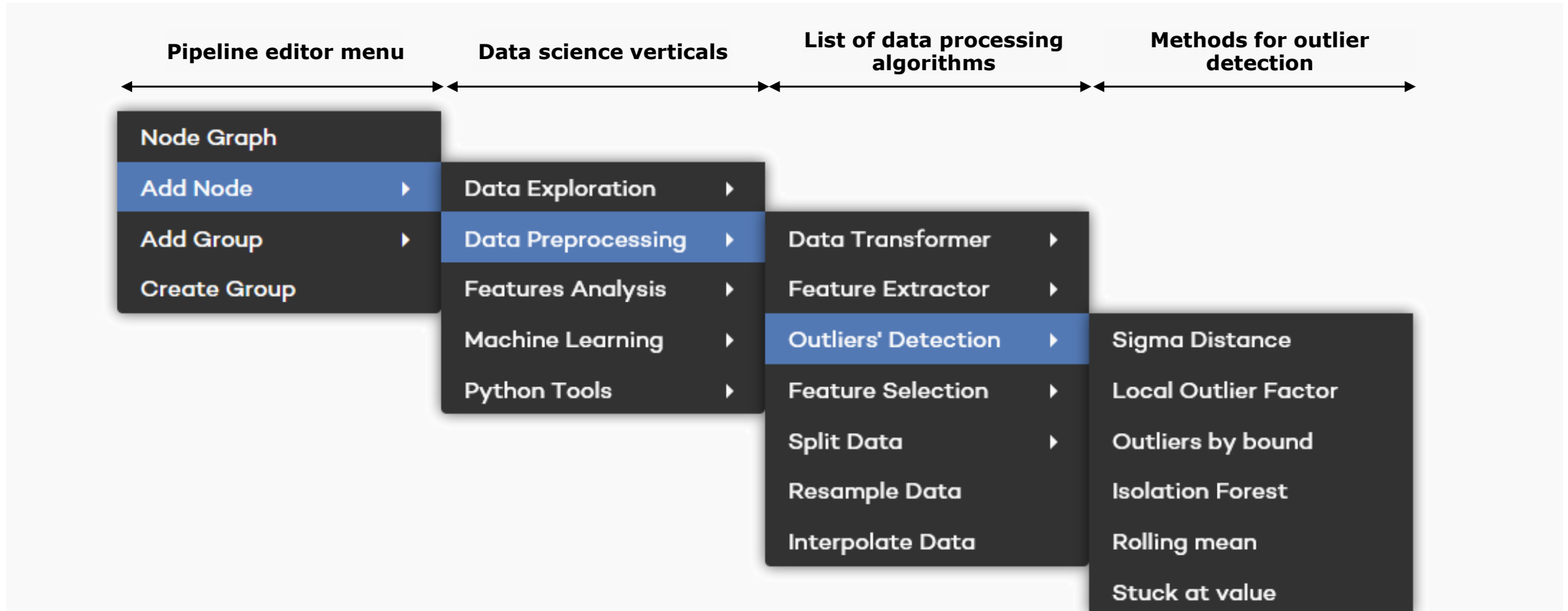
**E-DAP APPLICATION WORKFLOW**

**ANALYSIS AND FEATURES**



E-DAP enables our clients through a user-friendly GUI to construct and execute data analytics pipelines of their sensor measurements

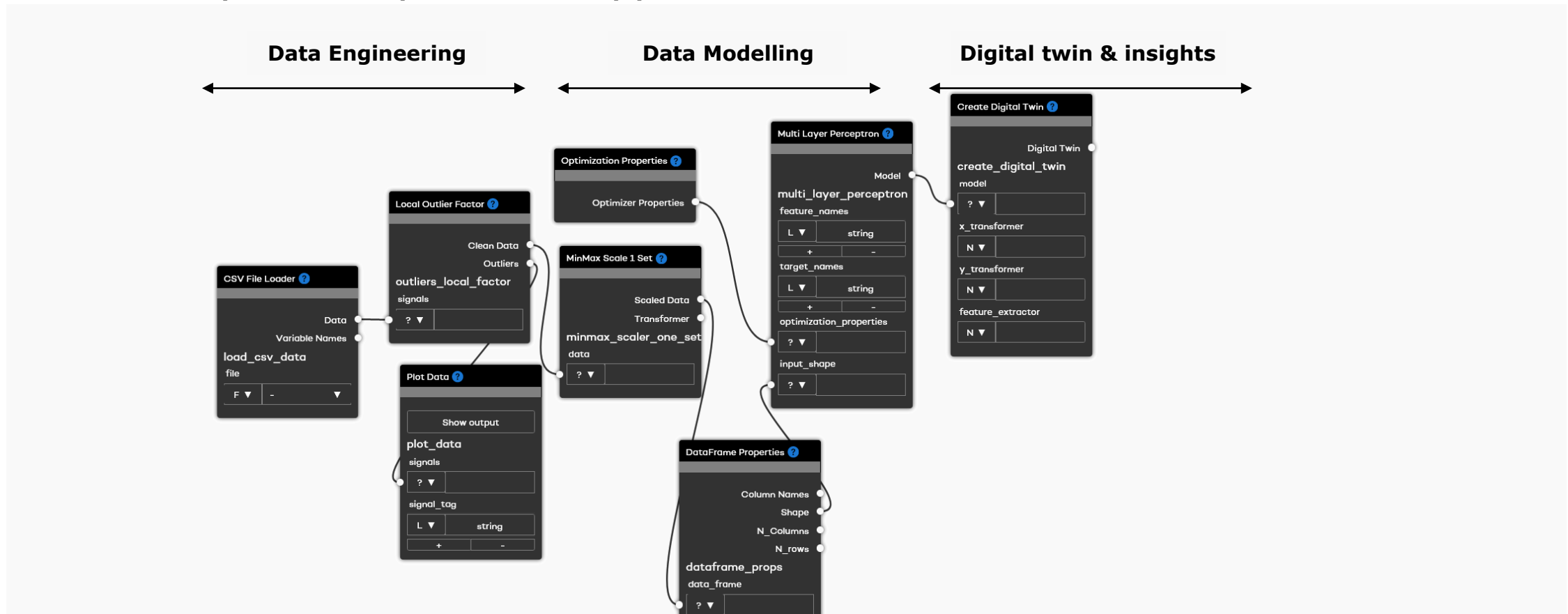
### E-DAP Pipeline Editor





Our clients can change parameters, test models, request for new models' implementation.. or update the model with new IoT data & other sensors

**E-DAP Three Step Workflow represented in the pipeline editor**



# Our clients gain access to the models created, perform model inference on new input data and observe the results

## DATA DRIVEN MODELS

- List of all the models created through the Pipeline editor
- Information on models' performance, input and output
- Results graphs created are stored for later usage.

### E-DAP list of data-driven models – e.g. from previous use cases

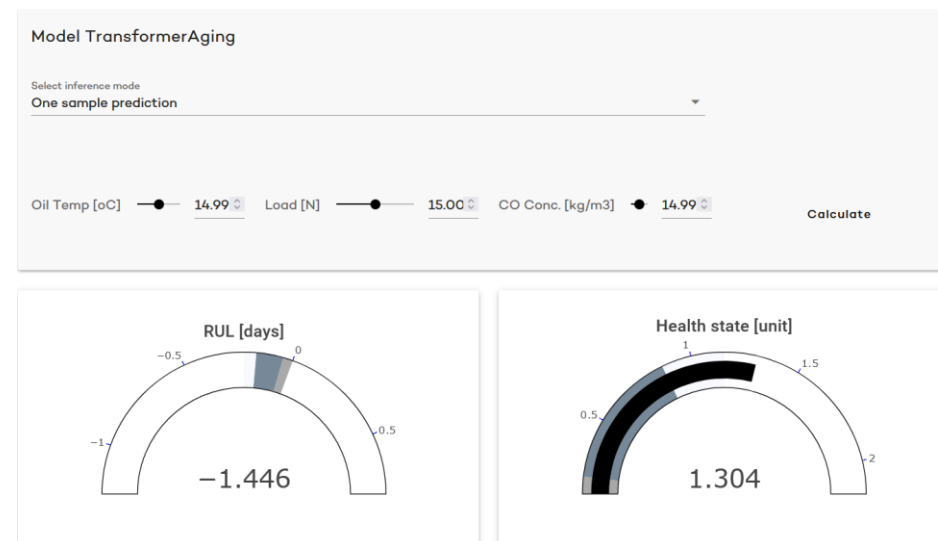
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## MODEL INTERFERENCE PHASE

- User will interact with the model by questioning it for new operating conditions of the system, or simulated conditions (not available through measurements)
- Manual interaction (Change input parameters by hand)
- Batch predictions (Provide a CSV file with new operating conditions of the system)

### Model inference (user-model interaction) - example model





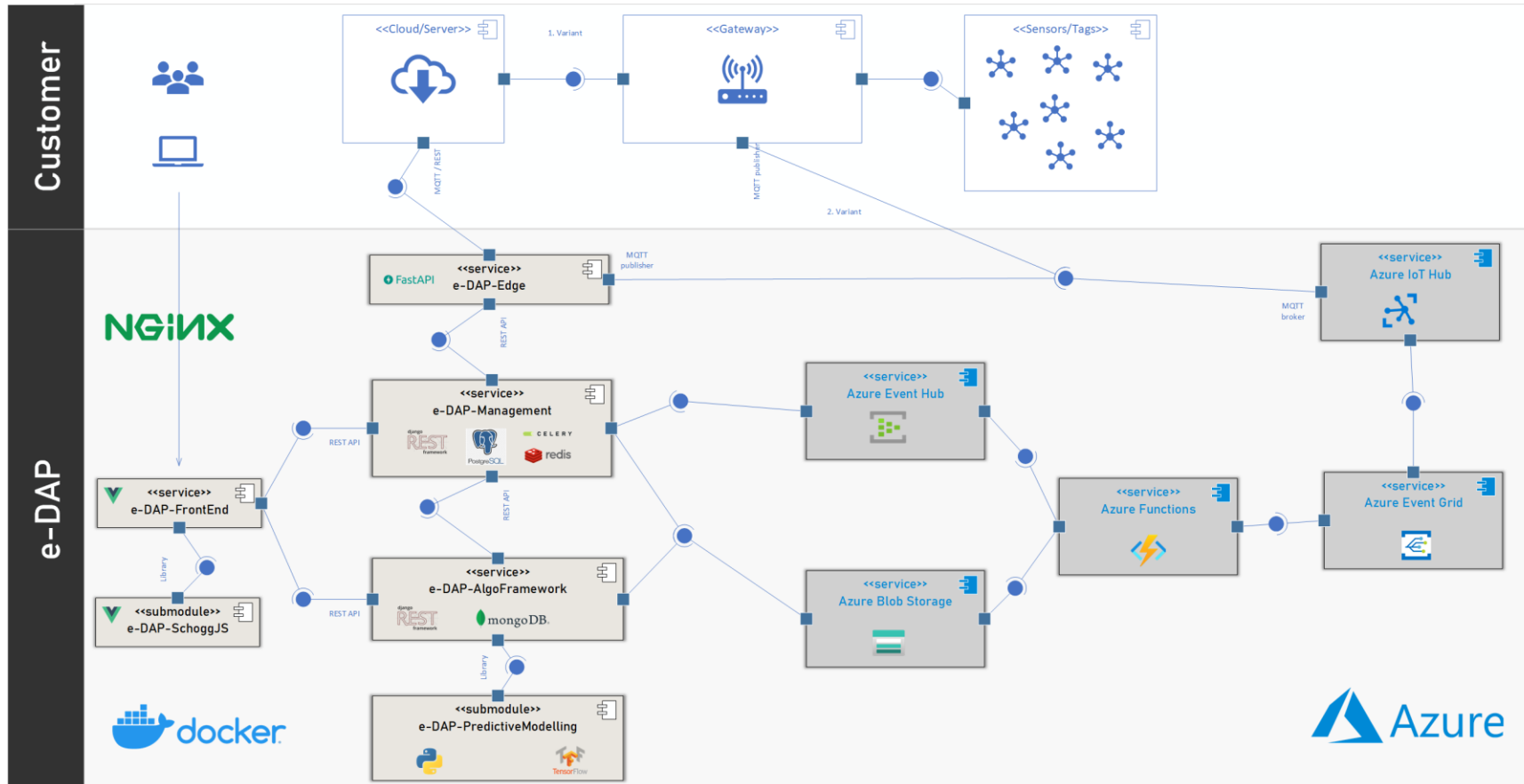
# How we apply E-DAP?

LIVE DEMO, ARCHITECTURE, PROJECT REFERENCES

## E-DAP ARCHITECTURE

We use Microsoft Azure to connect E-DAP to our clients IT Enterprise Level through which IoT information of field devices can flow securely upwards to

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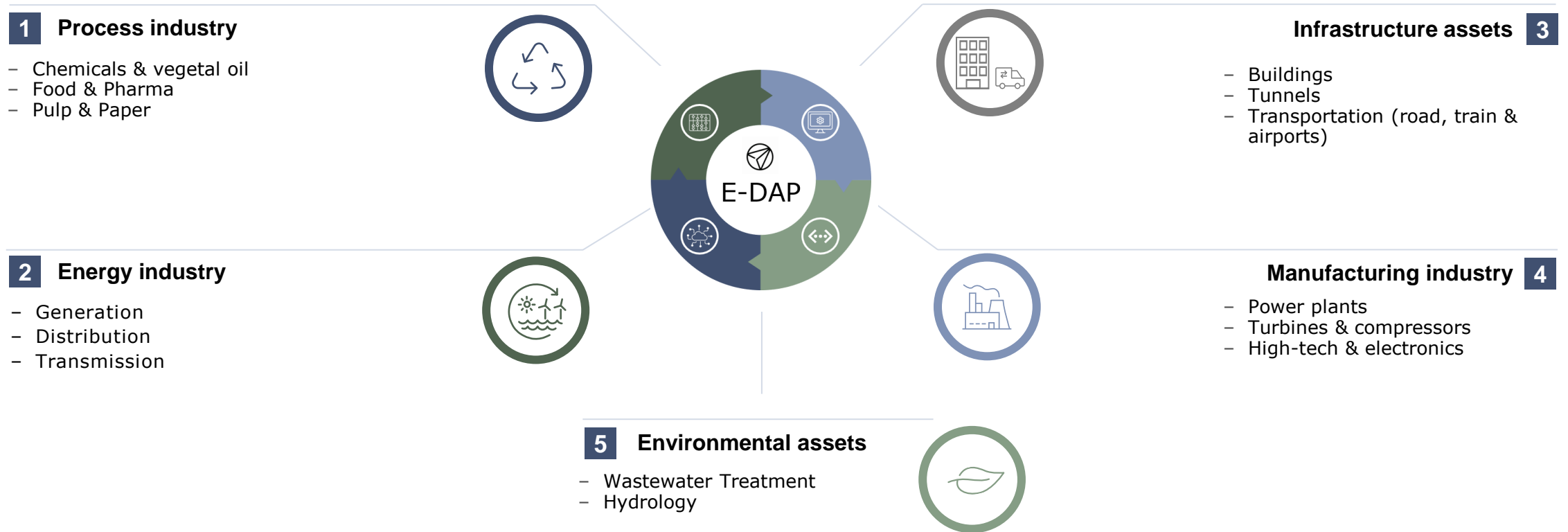


### COMMENTS

- While e-DAP main architectural components are in-house developed, it uses Azure databases and functions
- We assume that your industrial control system security is equipped with data diodes that guarantees secure unidirectional information flow from OT field devices to the enterprise IT level
- We are developing an alternative on premise architecture for clients who have stringent OT data security requirements

We have applied E-DAP across different sectors of the industry with different complexities and succeeded in demonstrating value add to our clients

### Engineering Data Analytics Platform (E-DAP) – overview





REFERENCE: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSET

# E-DAP for wastewater systems optimisation: From digital controlling to predictive maintenance and operational excellence

## Project Metrics

- 2021-22
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- WWPT CH

## Situation and Challenge

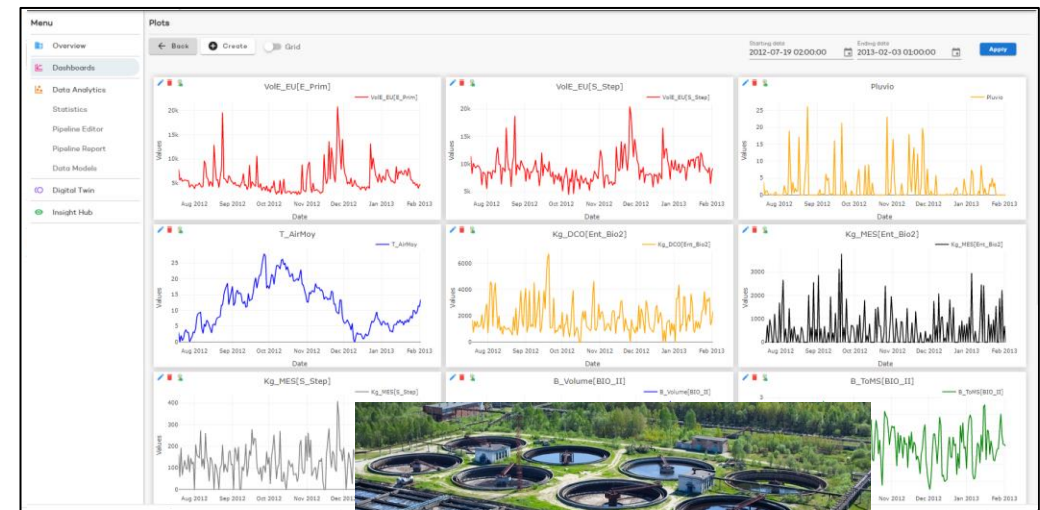
- Need to know the exact operation parameters of urban and industrial WWTPs, at the 04 main steps: primary & secondary treatments, bio treatment and sludge disposal.
- Need to respond to external constraints, e.g. evolution of treatment load due to increase of population, special events, meteorological conditions, changes in economics of operation.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY's IoT system connects to the operator's data repository system via an MQTT protocol. Sensors can be placed then connected to e-DAP.
- The system collects and ingests live data in the platform (water and waste partition, temperature, humidity, energy consumption, bio-chemicals)
- Once sufficient data is collected and engineered, appropriate ML/AI algorithms are used. Legacy data can be used as well.
- The model - engine of the 'WWTP Digital Twin'- is then used to forecast daily operation in the future (energy and chemicals needs, sludge age...) and predict the water-quality KPI's : content of COD, N-NH4, N-NO3
- E-DAP is employed as an asset management tool of several WWTP's.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client can access an on-line business intelligence tool for predicting and monitoring the operation and performance of its WWTP assets.
- The client is capable to monitor the operation parameters of the plants and take remedy decision in advance in response to external constraints.
- Next step is to onboard of several train/metro stations and tunnels.





REFERENCE: INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET

# AFRY extends its train/metro/tunnel ventilation services during construction and operations: From digital controlling to predictive maintenance

## Project Metrics

- 2022-23
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- Highway Office CH

## Situation and Challenge

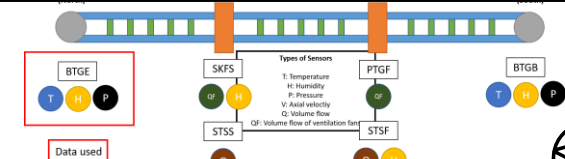
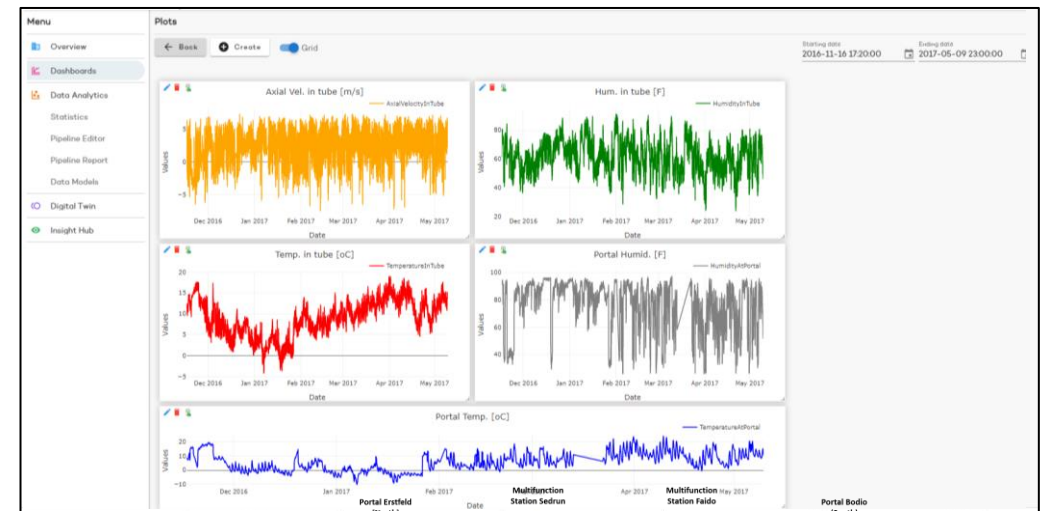
- Live monitoring of the climatic data in train/metro stations and tunnels, during construction and operations.
- Monitoring the daily operation of the train/metro stations HVAC and tunnel ventilation systems (TVS)
- Rely on a predictive maintenance tool to act in advance, covering all the assets of the client simultaneously.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY's IoT system can be connected to the client's SCADA repository system via an MQTT protocol (or any other protocol).
- Sensors can be placed by AFRY then connected to e-DAP
- The systems collects and ingests live data in the platform at a modifiable frequency (temperature, pressure differential, humidity, energy consumption)
- Once sufficient data is collected and engineered, appropriate ML/AI algorithms are used for the treatment of these legacy data
- We then use the model as the engine of the 'Tunnel Digital Twin', to be used to forecast the VAC & TVS daily operation in the future
- The platform is used as an asset management tool for various stations and tunnels along several lines at the same time.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client now has on-line business intelligence tool for predicting and monitoring the operation and performance of all its assets
- The client is capable to live monitor the train/metro stations HVAC and tunnel ventilation systems (TVS), and take remedy decision in advance
- Next step is to onboard of several train/metro stations and tunnels.





REFERENCE: INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET

# AFRY helps PHOENIX broaden its services in tunnel lighting: Our module serves as a digital control system and a predictive maintenance tool

## Project Metrics

- 2020-23
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- Phoenix, DE/CH

## Situation and Challenge

- Live monitoring of the lighting data in the tunnel and the aging of the light points.
- Monitoring the risk associated with aging and any anomalies
- Rely on a predictive maintenance tool to intervene in due time.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY's IoT system is connected to the client's SCADA repository system via an MQTT protocol (coded into e-DAP).
- The systems collect and ingest live data in the platform at a frequency of 5-to-10 seconds (luminance, energy, scenes, lumgates)
- Appropriate analytical models for predictive maintenance were implemented, based on literature and regulatory norms
- AFRY used the model as the engine of the 'Tunnel Digital Twin' (TDT)
- The TDT is to be used to forecast the daily operation and probable health of the lighting system
- The platform is used as an asset management tool for various tunnels, with focus on predictive maintenance.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client now has on-line business intelligence tool, for predicting and monitoring the asset's performance
- The client is capable to live monitor daily operations and probable health of any tunnel lighting system equipped with its system
- Next step is to onboard of several tunnels worldwide.







REFERENCE: ENERGY ASSETS

# AFRY designed for a Europe-based TSO a modular and reliable predictive maintenance model to optimize the maintenance plan of its HV transformers

## Project Metrics

- 2022, 2 months
- AFRY Management Consulting Berlin & AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- EU TSO

## Situation and Challenge

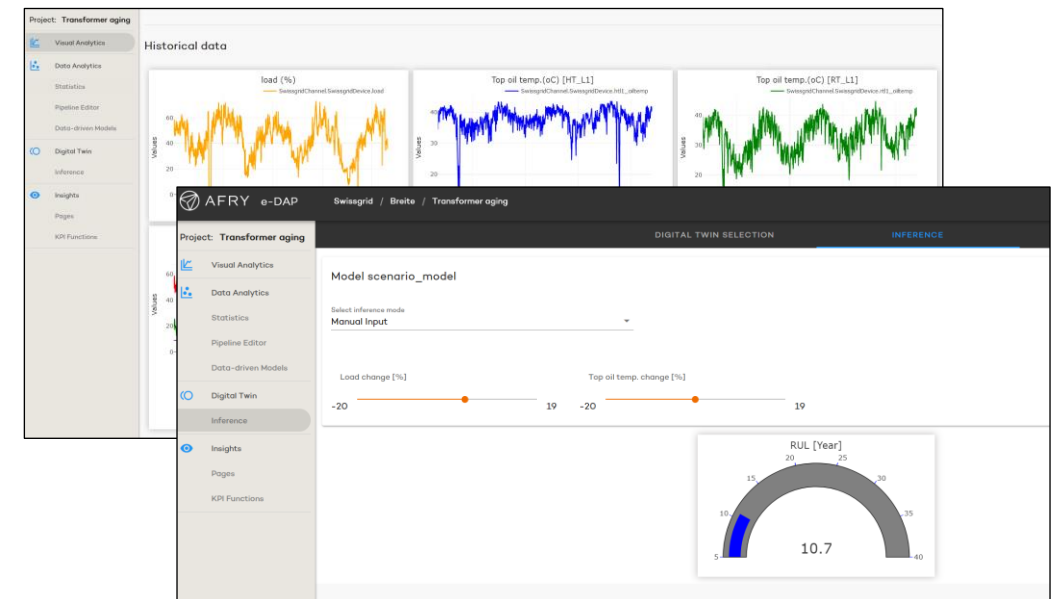
- The client has measured and stored the temperature condition of the oil windings and the load of the transformer every 5 minutes for the past five years
- It is unclear if and how the client can correlate the condition measurement data of its transformer with its physical aging and move to a reliable and holistic condition-based maintenance strategy !

## Service and Approach

- AFRY used E-DAP to build a predictive maintenance model for the aging of the transformer
- AFRY used existing data (both frequent and seldom) to understand how the maintenance has been conducted over the last 40 years.
- AFRY analyzed any indication of oil degradation from the inspection analysis conducted by the client to feedback patterns in e-DAP
- AFRY identified the paper polymerization as the main cause of degradation for the transformer useful life
- AFRY used analytical modelling relating the collected data to the health index and resorted to machine learning to predict future trends

## Client Impact and Value Added

- Swissgrid holds a license for a modular and reliable predictive maintenance model that can predict the remaining useful life of its HV transformers and optimize as such its maintenance plan
- Swissgrid is capable to conduct scenario analysis changing temperature, load, and oil cleaning periodicity and assessing their sensitivity to the asset health index update





REFERENCE: PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE

# AFRY designed for a swiss NPP a modular data predictive model to detect faults in the neutronics signal, augmented by a causality analysis module

## Project Metrics

- 2021, 4.5 months
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- NPP CH

## Service and Approach

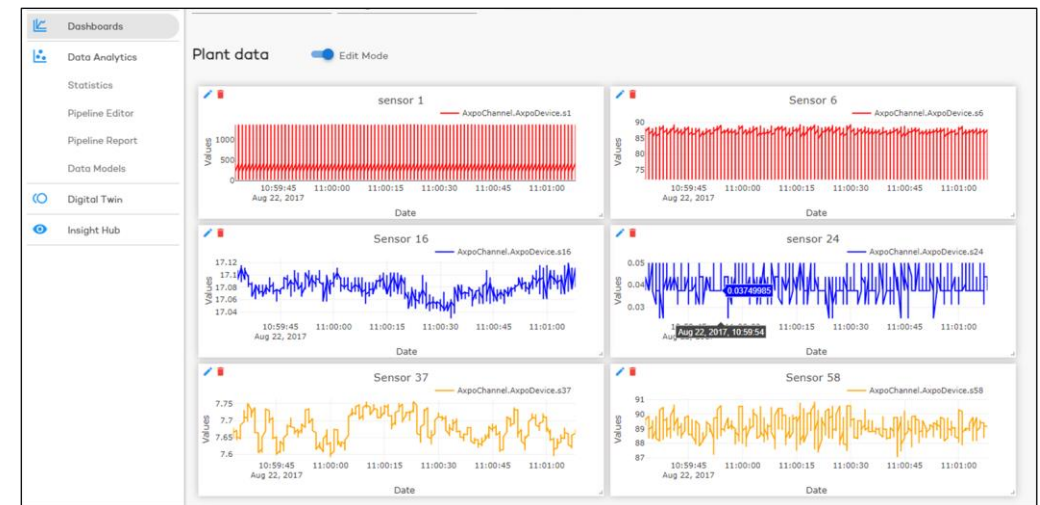
- AFRY conducted on-site survey of plants and infrastructure, collected and ingested legacy data in the platform and engineered the data (feature selection, windowing, PCA, etc.)
- AFRY created a unique (unpublished hitherto) fully-fledged anomaly detection module in e-DAP
- AFRY made use of 5 cycles and 1 cycle-startup data from the plant to show changes in the causality and cross-correlation in the system that occur over time
- AFRY built an online framework accessible to the client, in which both visual analytics of real data is provided, together with a live inference of the digital twin using sensor data.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- AXPO gained disposal of on-line business intelligence tool, providing a daily inspection of operations and predicting and monitoring the asset's health under defined KPIs
- AXPO is capable to infer potential failure scenarios in the asset using real time data (once their IoT is connected to e-DAP Edge) as input to the asset's digital twin.

## Situation and Challenge

- AXPO had no proven framework for anomaly detection in neutronics signals during plant start-up, and its relationship with the steam production and plant instabilities.
- 'Deterministic' causality analysis has proven weak in predicting faulty signals relating to flow instabilities and potential dry-out in the reactor pressure vessel.





REFERENCE: PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE

# AFRY built a component digital twin for predictive maintenance of a gas turbine, Gas Turbine OEM, Switzerland

## Project Metrics

- 2021, 1.7 months
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- Gas Turbine OEM, Switzerland

## Situation and Challenge

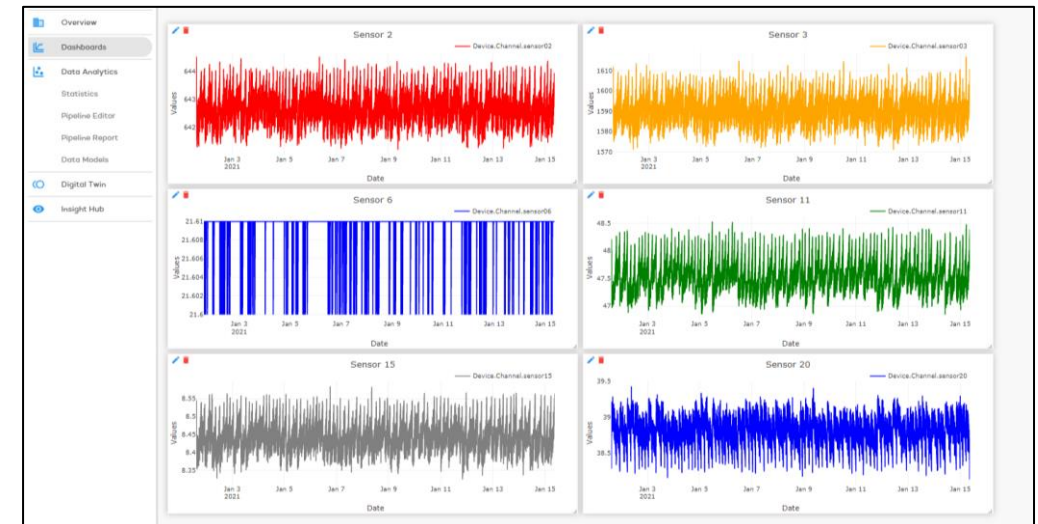
- The challenge is to determine the Remaining Useful Life (RUL) of the turbine before the next fault to occur
- The idea is to be capable to explore the effect on the production of changing operational conditions of the gas turbine : load, temperature, pressure, etc.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY conducted on-site survey of plants and infrastructure, collected and ingested legacy data in the platform and engineered the data (feature selection, windowing, PCA, etc.)
- AFRY used selected ML algorithms for predictive modelling, targeting the Remaining Useful Life (RUL)
- AFRY used the data-model to forecast RUL and predict when the turbine needs maintenance. Excellent results have been obtained
- AFRY designed an online workflow into e-DAP, embedding the data-model and the associated KPI's
- AFRY used the platform to infer RUL and KPI's for future conditions
- AFRY transferred the tool to the client and provided training of its users.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client now has on-line business intelligence tool, for predicting and monitoring the asset's health under defined KPIs
- The client can infer possible failure cases using real time data as input to the asset's digital twin. Next step is to connect the IOT to e-DAP Edge.





REFERENCE: OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

# AFRY designed a component digital twin of a wind farm for operational excellence, Wind-Energy Operator, Sweden

## Project Metrics

- 2022, 4.5 months
- AFRY Management Consulting Paris & AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- Wind Energy Operator, Sweden

## Situation and Challenge

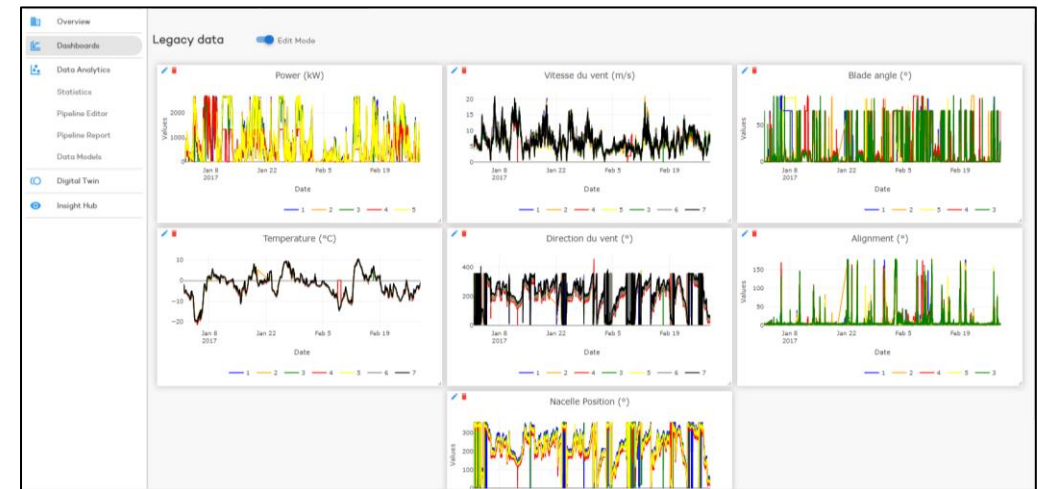
- The client's objective is to have a digital control system of the asset and predict the power within days.
- The client should be capable to identify and explain the deviations that appeared since the launch of the production : what went wrong in the meantime and where exactly ?
- The client should be capable to perform predictive maintenance.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY conducted on-site survey of plants and infrastructure, collected and ingested legacy data in the platform and engineered the data (feature selection, windowing, PCA, etc.)
- AFRY selected the appropriate ML algorithm for predictive modelling
- AFRY used the 5-years legacy data (wind direction and speed, blade angle, turbulence, orientations, etc.) to predict the power
- AFRY designed an online workflow into e-DAP, embedding the data-model, the digital twin and the associated KPI's in a dedicated insight page
- AFRY used the digital twin to analyze the production losses per turbine and determine other KPI's for future operational conditions.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client now has on-line business intelligence tool, for predicting and monitoring the asset's health under defined KPIs
- The client can act on the critical issues resulted from machine learning. It can infer potential failure scenarios using real time data as input to its digital twin.





REFERENCE: OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

# AFRY designed a component digital twin for a process engineering plant for operational excellence, Process Eng. OEM, UK

## Project Metrics

- 2021-22, 6 months
- AFRY AMS Zurich

## Client

- Process Eng. OEM, UK

## Situation and Challenge

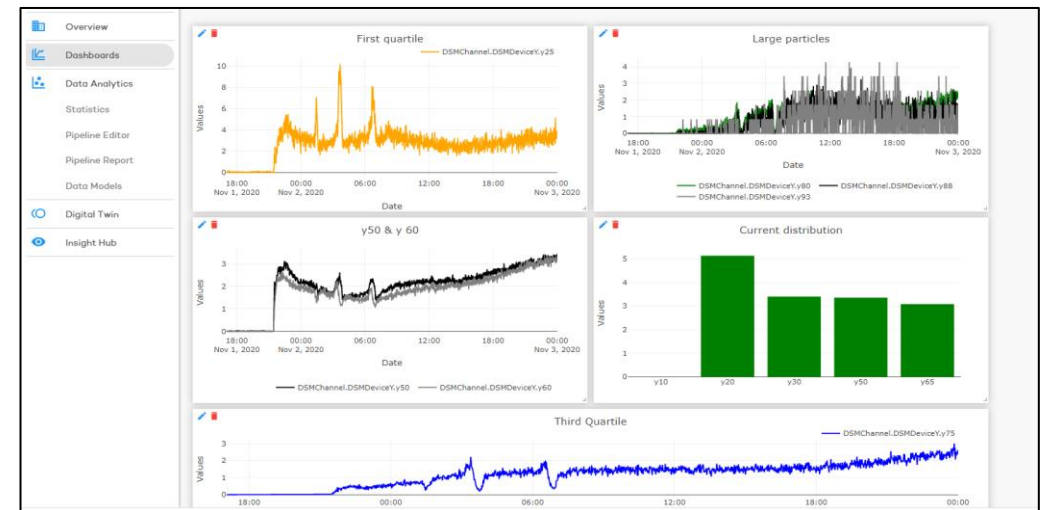
- The challenge is to predict the particle distribution at each batch-phase of the crystallization process ahead of time, and thus the quality of the yield
- The case explores the effect on the yield of changing the raw material properties.

## Service and Approach

- AFRY collected and ingested legacy data in the platform and engineered the data (feature selection, windowing, PCA, etc.)
- AFRY selected the appropriate ML algorithm for predictive modelling, incl. developing a dedicated sensitivity analysis tool for the purpose
- AFRY used the model as the engine of the 'Component Digital Twin - CDT-' to predict the crystallization process of the raw material.
- AFRY used the CDT to forecast the particle distribution at each batch-phase (thus the quality of the yield), and other KPI's
- AFRY used the platform as an asset management tool, with focus on production control.

## Client Impact and Value Added

- The client now has on-line business intelligence tool, for predicting and monitoring the asset's performance
- The client is capable to control the production on a daily basis and optimize the process for the best outcome (act at the level of the process batch)
- Next step is to transition from a cloud-based to an on-premise solution.



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