



# Pursuing Frontiers of Machine Learning: Technology and Society

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# Agenda

Machine Learning: main directions, achievements, and challenges

Green Machine Learning

Granular embedding: towards evaluating credibility of models

Transfer learning and federated learning with credibility augmentation

Conclusions and prospects



# Machine Learning – bird's eye view

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# **Society-Oriented Environment of Machine Learning**

**Creating a holistic view of Machine Learning by understanding society-oriented impact of the discipline and building comprehensive technical solutions**



**Revisiting already existing concepts and methods**



**Developments of new directions**

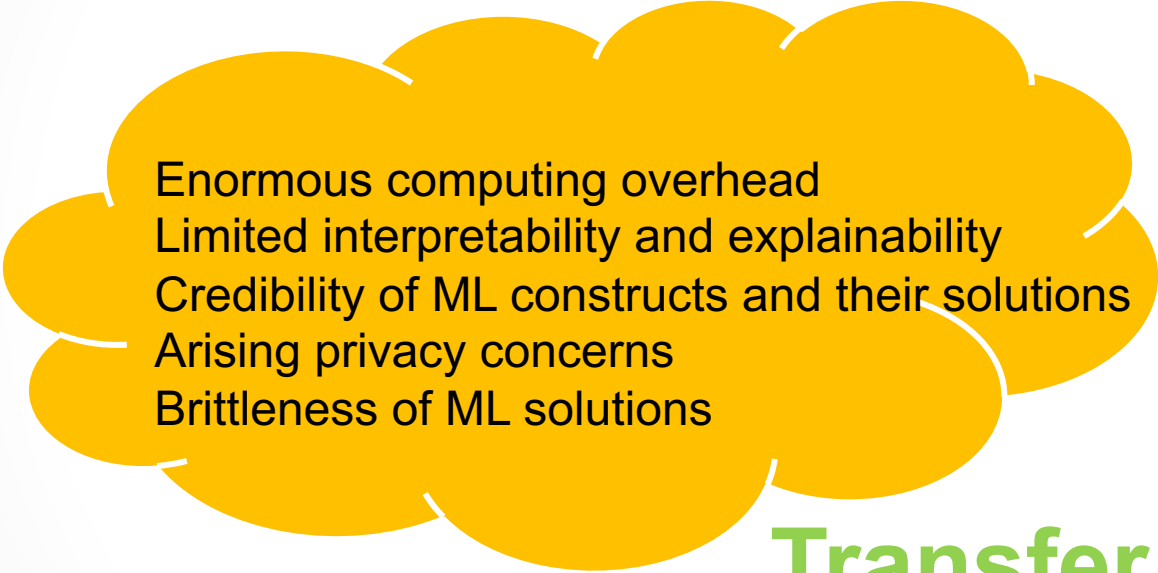
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# Society-oriented ML

Granular Computing

Green AI

XAI



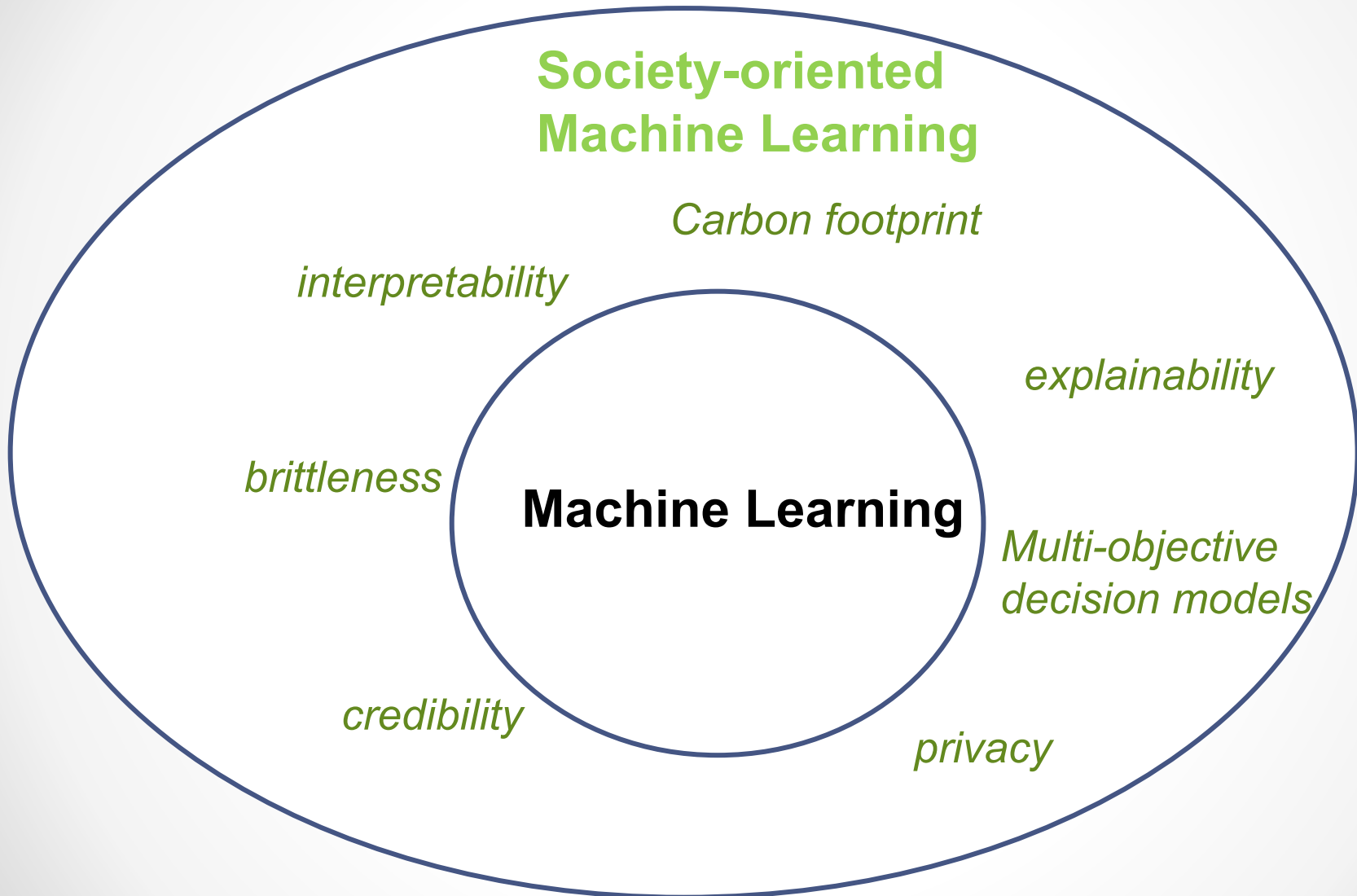
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Credibility assessment

# From ML to society oriented ML



# **Green Machine Learning**



# Green AI (ML) and Green Machine Learning

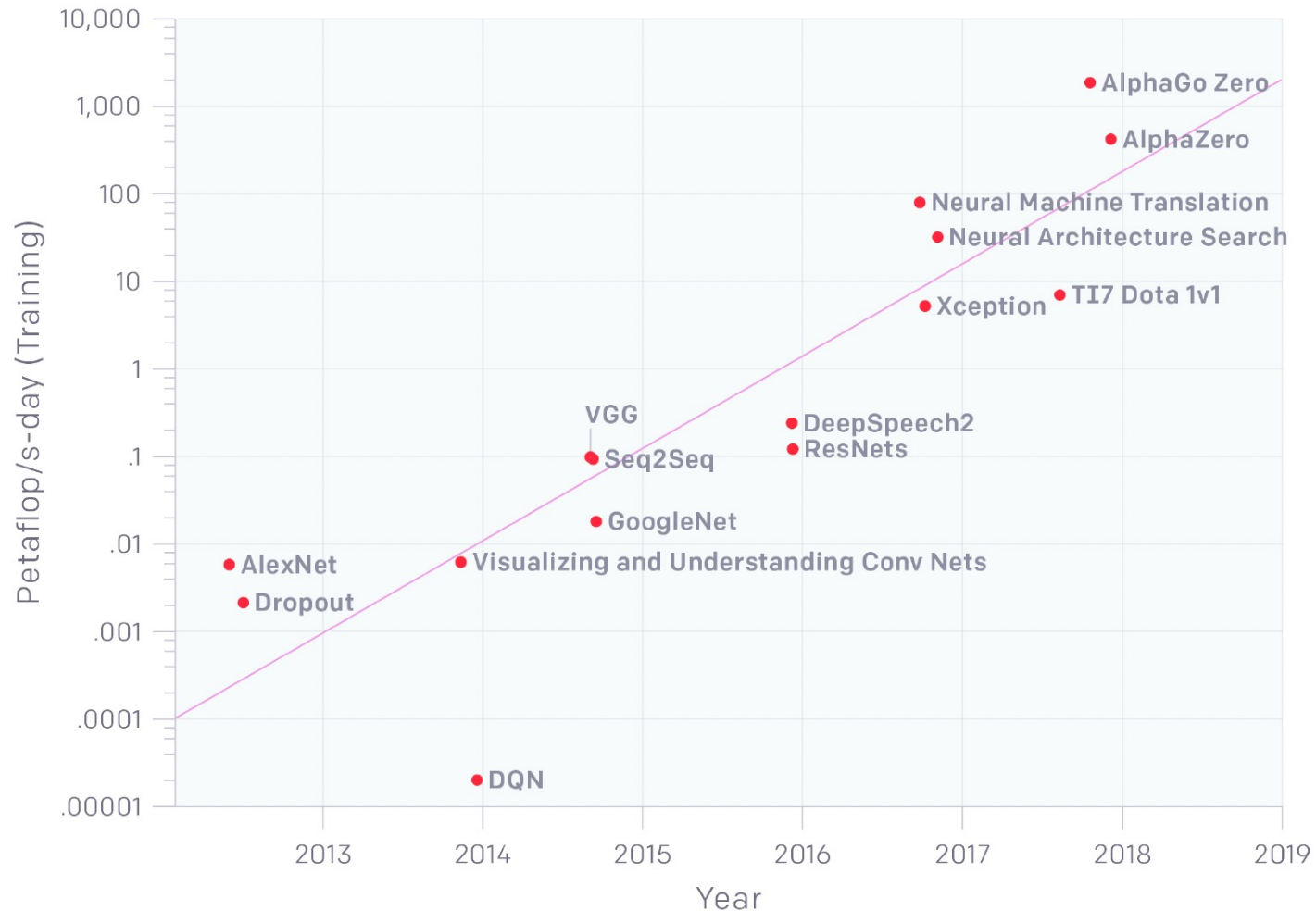
Computing to realize deep learning doubles every few months

from 2012 to 2018- 300,000 increase of required computing

Huge number of parameters (connections) to learn

*R. Schwartz, J. Dodge, et al., Green AI, 2019*

# Green AI (ML) and Green Machine Learning



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

# An AI that writes convincing prose risks mass-producing fake news

Fed with billions of words, this algorithm creates convincing articles and shows how AI could be used to fool people on a mass scale.



**It takes a lot of energy for machines to learn – here's why AI is so power-hungry**



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

**Training a single AI model can emit as much carbon as five cars in their lifetimes**

Deep learning has a terrible carbon footprint.

# Selected numbers

## Natural Language Processing

GPT-2, has 1.5 billion weights in its network.

GPT-3, has 175 billion weights.

## Carbon footprint

training an AI model generates as much carbon emissions as it takes to build and drive five cars over their lifetimes training.

training BERT once has the carbon footprint of a passenger flying a round trip between New York and San Francisco. However, by searching using different structures – that is, by training the algorithm multiple times on the data with slightly different numbers of neurons, connections and other parameters – the cost became the equivalent of 315 passengers, or an entire 747 jet. ●

# GPT 4

Generative Pretrained Transformer

**Chat GPT 2:** 1.5 billion

**Chat GPT 3:** 175 billion parameters, **936 MWh**

Household per year: 10,632 kWh

953.7 lbs CO<sub>2</sub> per 1 MWh for delivered electricity

**Chat GPT 4:** 175 billion parameters, 1 trillion?

Language model: Text generation,

language translation,

language generation,

Automated content generation...



# ML constructs: Energy consumption and carbon footprint

	Date of original paper	Energy consumption (kWh)	Carbon footprint (lbs of CO2e)
Transformer (65M parameters)	Jun, 2017	27	26
Transformer (213M parameters)	Jun, 2017	201	192
ELMo	Feb, 2018	275	262
BERT (110M parameters)	Oct, 2018	1,507	1,438
Transformer (213M parameters) w/ neural architecture search	Jan, 2019	656,347	626,155





## Common carbon footprint benchmarks

in lbs of CO2 equivalent

Roundtrip flight b/w NY and SF  
(1 passenger)

1,984

Human life (avg. 1 year)

11,023

American life (avg. 1 year)

36,156

US car including fuel (avg. 1  
lifetime)

126,000

Transformer (213M  
parameters) w/ neural  
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626,155

# Green AI (ML) and Green Machine Learning

Dominant direction:

Buying “stronger” results (**accuracy**) by engaging massive computing power; limited return on investment?

# Green AI (ML) and Green Machine Learning

Striving for efficiency of ML constructs:

computing overhead versus improved accuracy

balance of **efficiency**

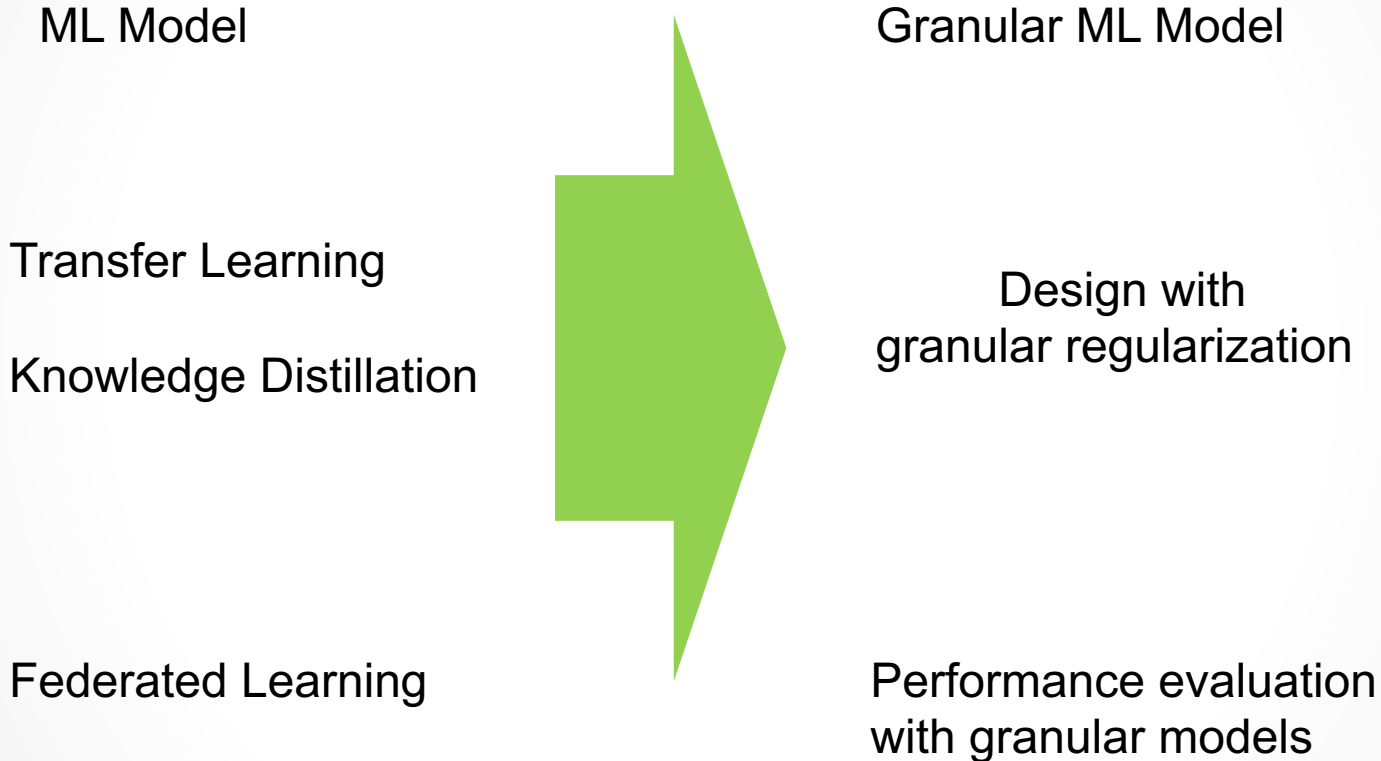
Carbon emission

Electricity usage

Elapsed real time

Floating point operations

# Towards Green ML



# Information granules and Granular Computing

**Information granules:** pieces of knowledge resulting as an abstraction of data, exhibiting well-defined semantics and forming functional modules in further interpretable system modeling (granular models).

Formal frameworks of sets (intervals), fuzzy sets, rough sets, ... z-numbers (Zadeh, 2011)

**Granular Computing:** knowledge-based environment supporting the design and processing of information granules

# Granular Computing for Machine Learning models

Designing of ML models at a suitable level of abstraction

Coping with uncertain (granular) experimental data

Delivering Interpretability and explainability mechanisms (e.g, rules)

Quantifying credibility of the model and its results

# **Explainable ML**

# Interpretability (1)

## **Interpretability: a notion**

Results that are easily comprehended by the user producing semantically sound and actionable findings.



# Interpretability (2)

Numbers versus information granules

temperature is 25C



*no context – space not specified*

temperature is *high*

# Explainability

## Explainability

modeling faculties to:

produce knowledge about relationship existing in data/models and help explain and audit prediction/classification results in response to issues of regulatory or fairness nature

support “what-if” analysis.

support traceability of the reasoning (inference) process.

why did the model produce a particular prediction?

• why weren't other decisions made?

# **Interpretability and explainability**

**Required levels of abstraction (details)  
pivotal role of information granularity**

**Flexibility**

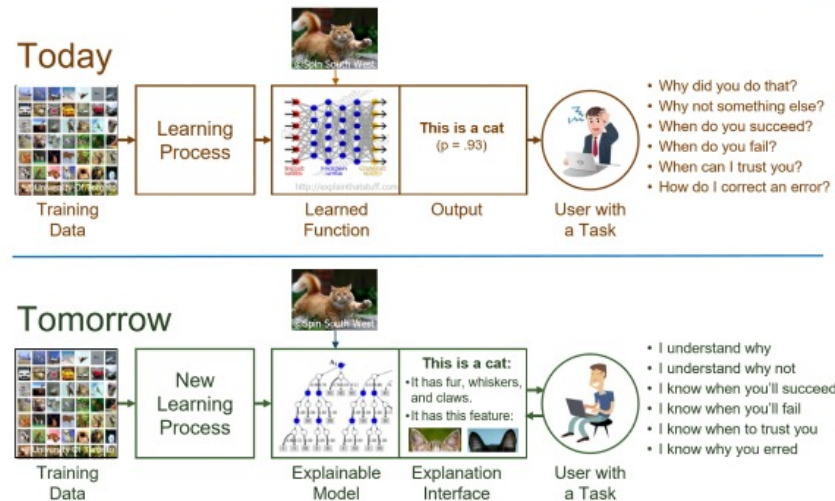
**Actionability**

**Orientation on user/recipient of ML models**

# Explainable AI (XAI)



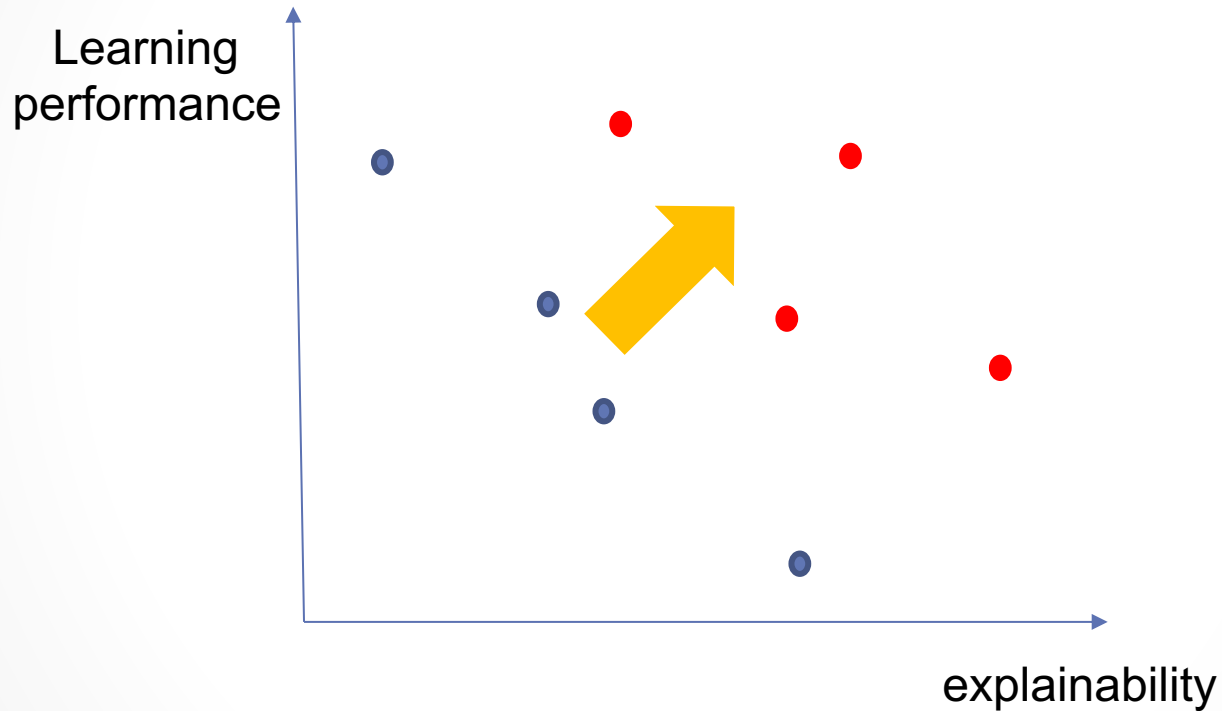
What Are We Trying To Do?



Explainable models: understand, trust, manage produced results

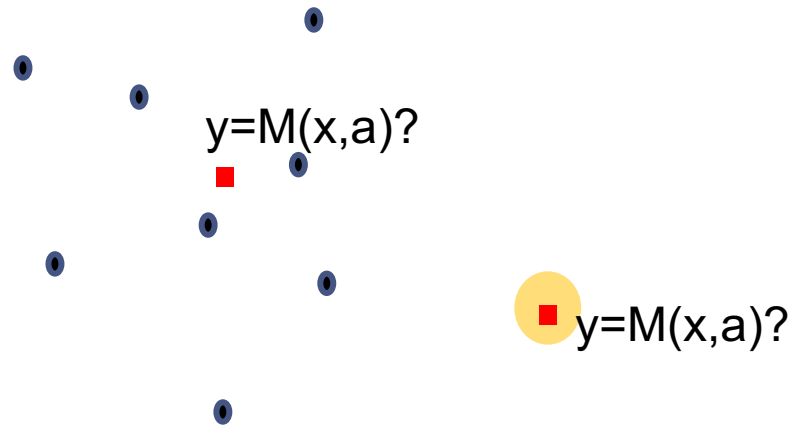
*From: D. Gunning, DARPA, 2017*

# Learning, accuracy, and interpretability capabilities



# **Credibility of ML models**

# Credibility of Machine Learning Models



■  $y=M(x,a)?$

# Credibility of Machine Learning Models

New  $\mathbf{x}$ , result  $M(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{a}_{\text{opt}})$

How credible is the result ?

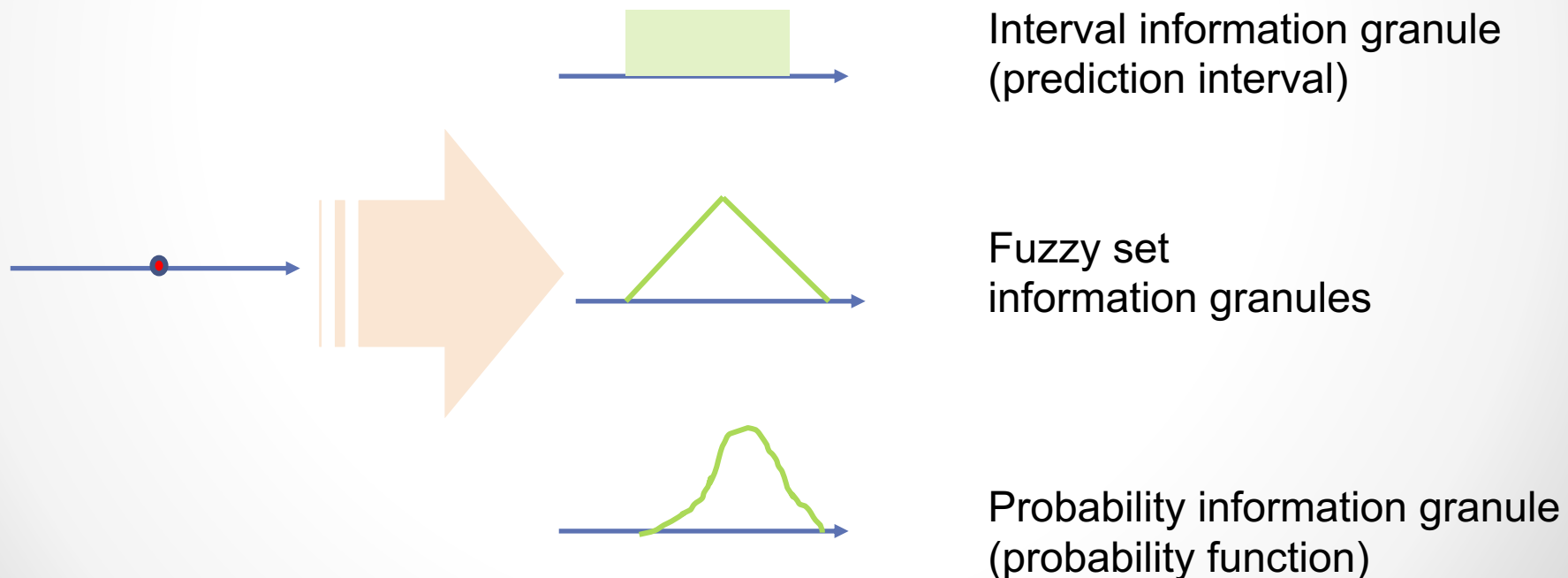
How much confidence could be associated with the result?

Could any action /decision be taken on a basis of obtained result; self-awareness mechanism



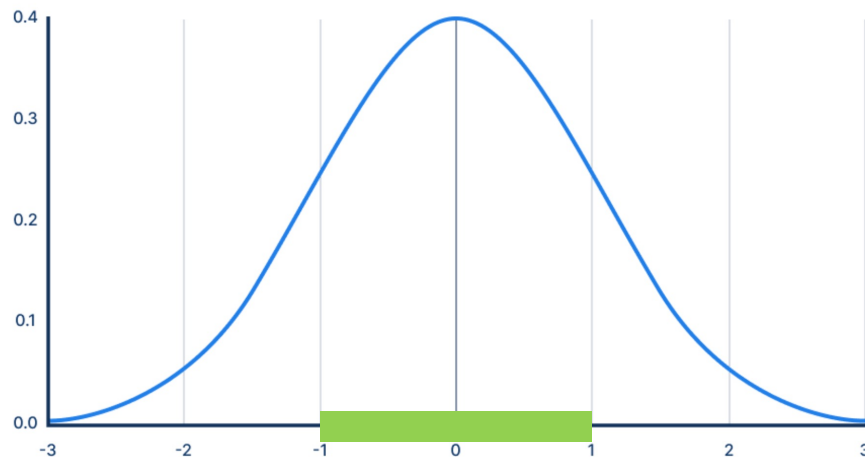
# Credibility of the model: Granular augmentation of results

Raising and quantifying **awareness** about quality of results



# From numeric results to information granules

Confidence interval (probabilistic information granule)



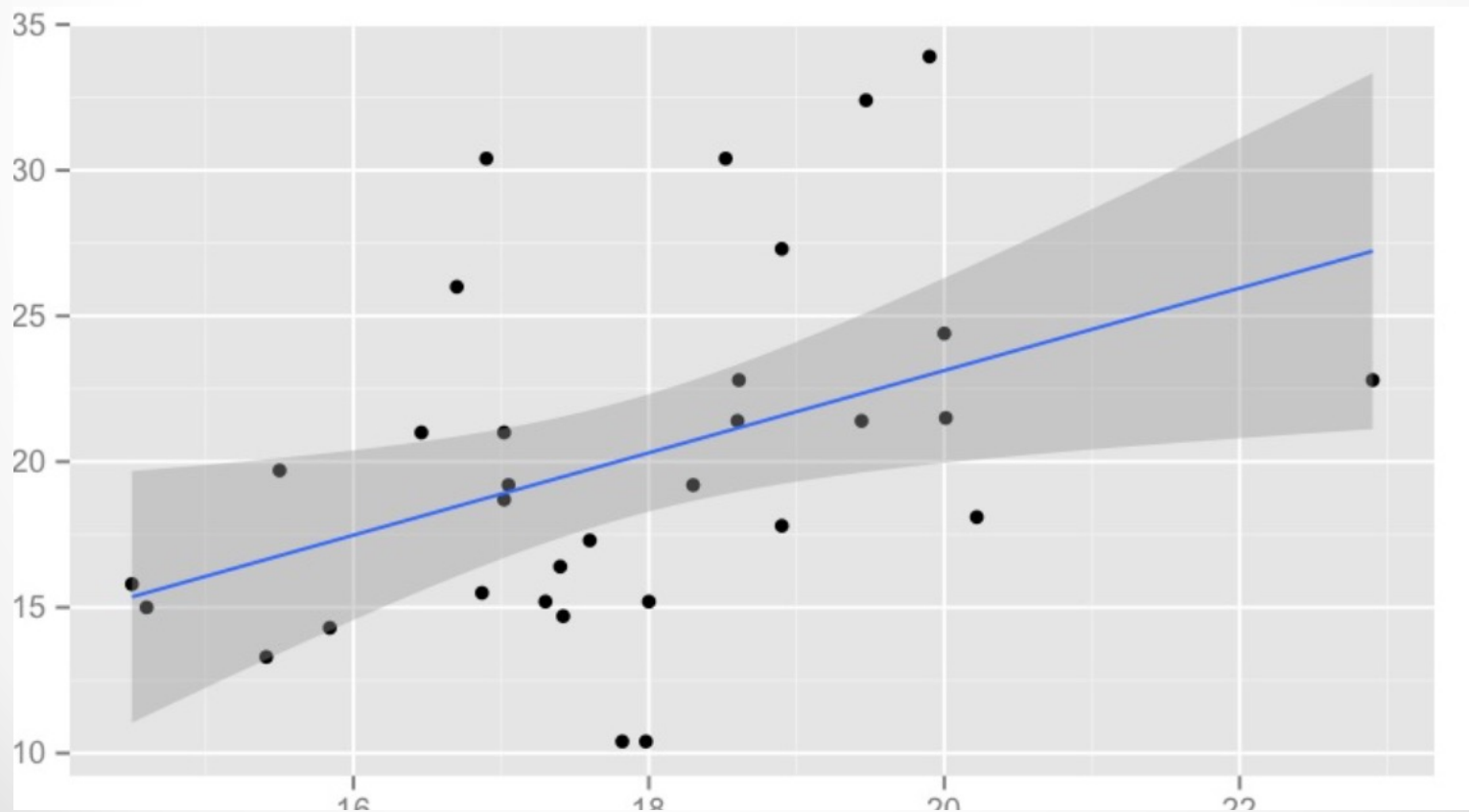
Probability of coverage  $\alpha=0.05, . 0.01$

$$P(x \in A) = 1 - \alpha$$

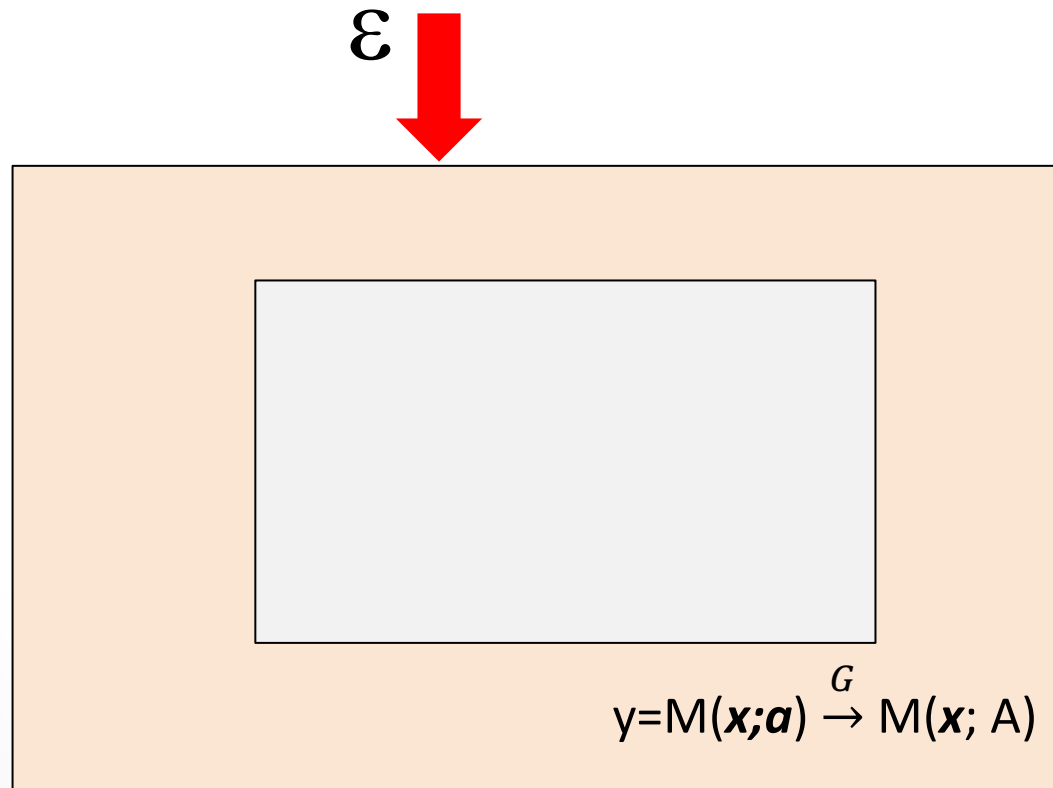
# From numeric to granular models

## Linear regression

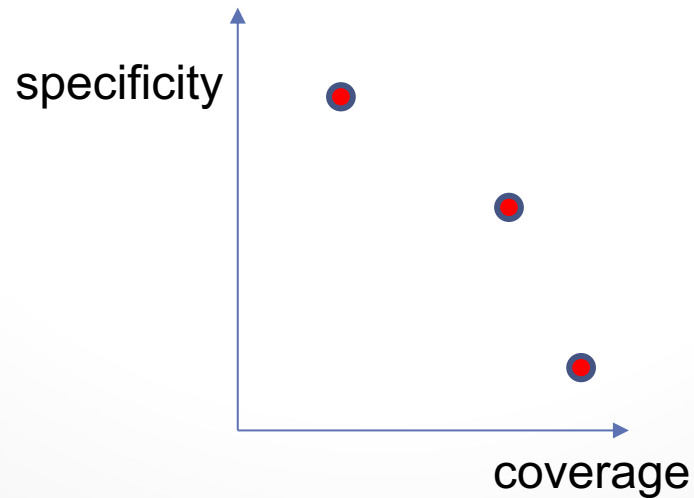
confidence and prediction intervals



# From models to granular models: design asset of information granularity ( $\varepsilon$ )



# Coverage and specificity



# Granular Embedding

$$M \xrightarrow{G} G(M)$$

Granular elevation of parameters

$$y = M(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{a}) \xrightarrow{G} Y = M(\mathbf{x}; G(\mathbf{a})) = M(\mathbf{x}; A)$$

# Granular elevation of parameters- level of information granularity ( $\varepsilon$ )

$$y=M(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{a}) \xrightarrow{G} Y=M(\mathbf{x};G(\mathbf{a}))= M(\mathbf{x}; A)$$

Transformation #1:

$$a \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} [\min(a_i(1+\varepsilon), a_i(1-\varepsilon)), \max(a_i(1+\varepsilon), a_i(1-\varepsilon))], \varepsilon \in [0,1]$$

Transformation #2:

$$a \xrightarrow{\varepsilon} [\min(a_i(1+\varepsilon), a_i/(1+\varepsilon)), \max(a_i(1+\varepsilon), a_i/(1-\varepsilon))], \varepsilon \geq 0$$

# Performance of granular model

$$cov = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N incl(target_k, Y_k)$$

$$incl(b, B) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } b \in B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$sp = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N g(length(Y_k))$$

g-decreasing function of length of  $Y_k$

$$\varepsilon = \arg \max_{\varepsilon} (cov^* sp)$$



# Optimization protocol: level of information granularity

The same level of information granularity  $\varepsilon$  across all parameters

$$\varepsilon = \arg \max_{\varepsilon} (\text{cov}^* \text{sp})$$

Individual levels of information granularity associated with parameters  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_p$ ,  $p$ -number of parameters

$$(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_p) = \arg \max_{\varepsilon} (\text{cov}^* \text{sp})$$

**Data privacy**

# **Federated Learning**

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# Federated Learning

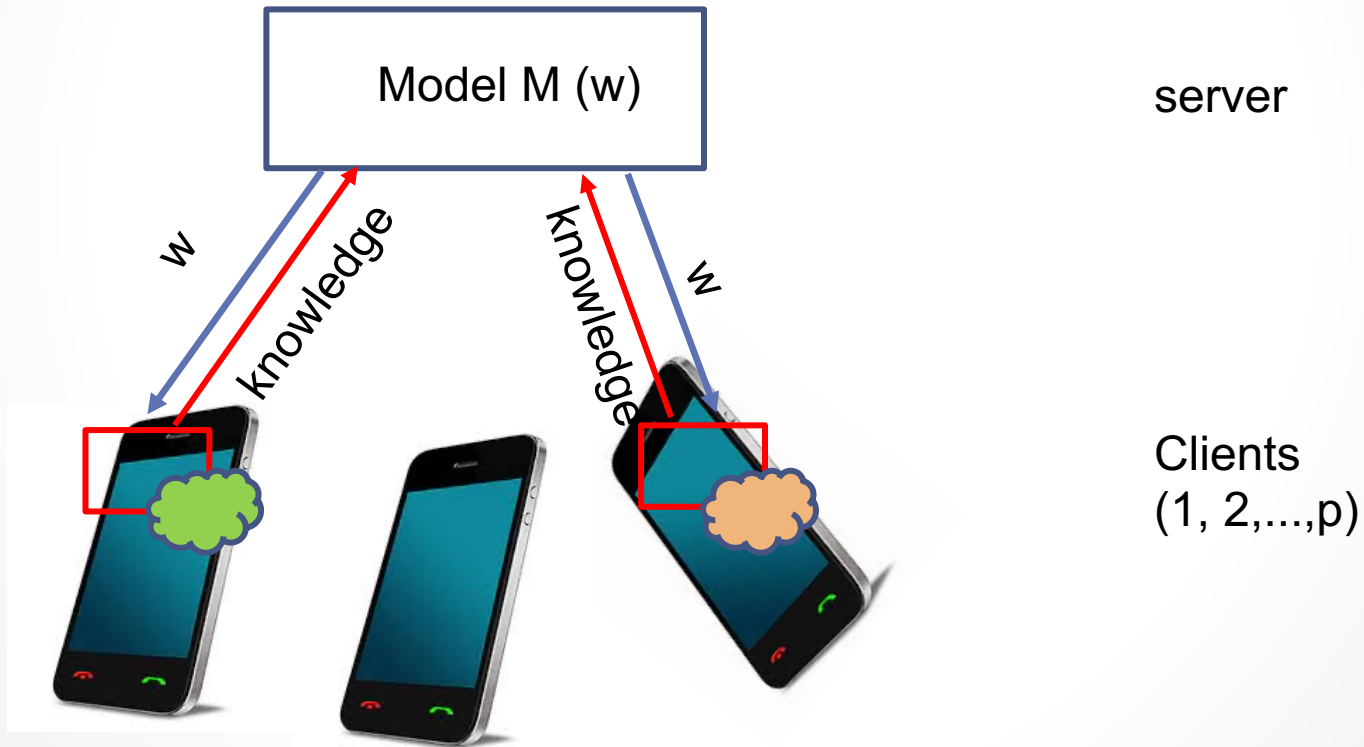
Building a holistic model in the presence of distributed and non-shared data (data islands):

- \*requirements of privacy and security

- \*unreliable and limited communication links

- \*legal requirements (General Protection Regulations; China Security Law of PRC, etc.)

# Federated Learning: Paradigm shift



# Federated learning: applications

## **Education**

Deep knowledge tracking system

## **Healthcare**

Privacy-preserving platform

Decentralized optimization framework

Prediction mortality, delivery prediction

## **Internet of Things (IoT)**

Data sharing architecture

intelligent resource management

## **Smart Transportation**

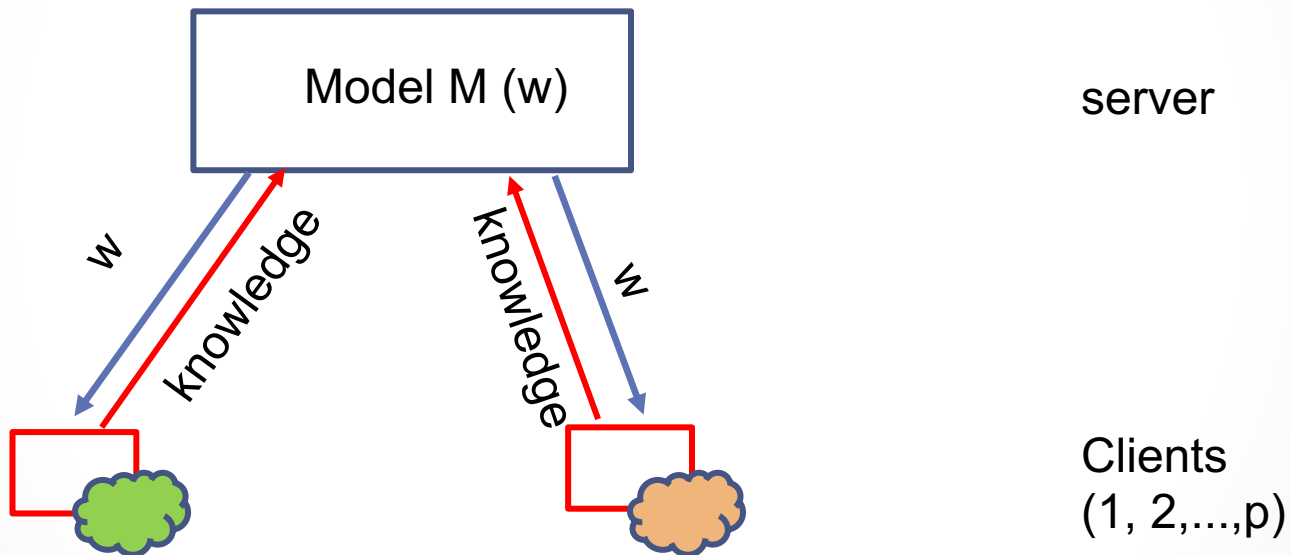
Protecting privacy in traffic flow prediction

Traffic collision avoidance

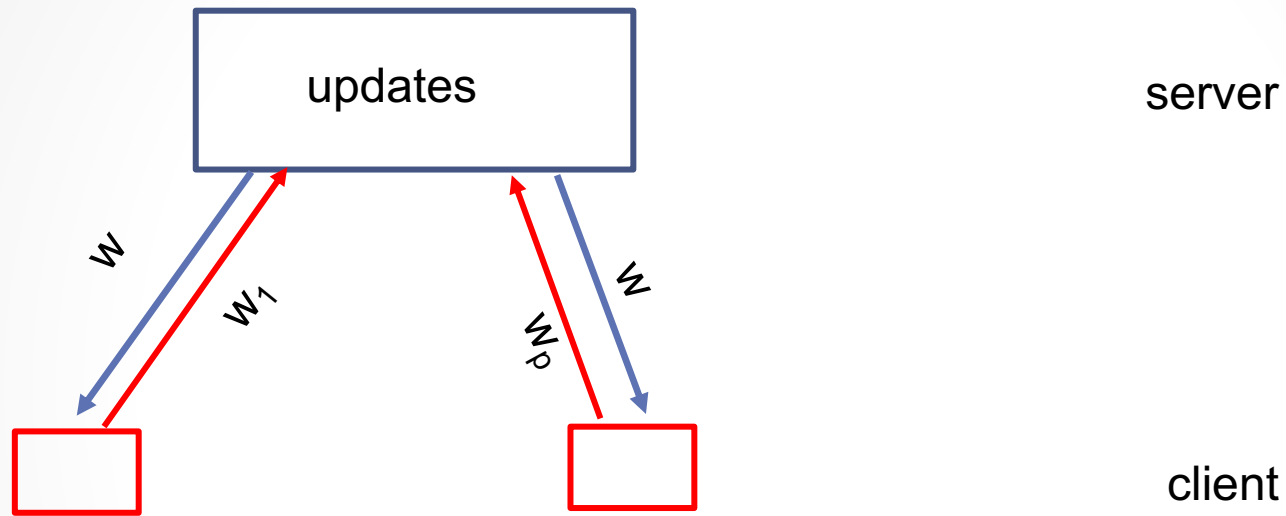
Optimization of vehicular communications



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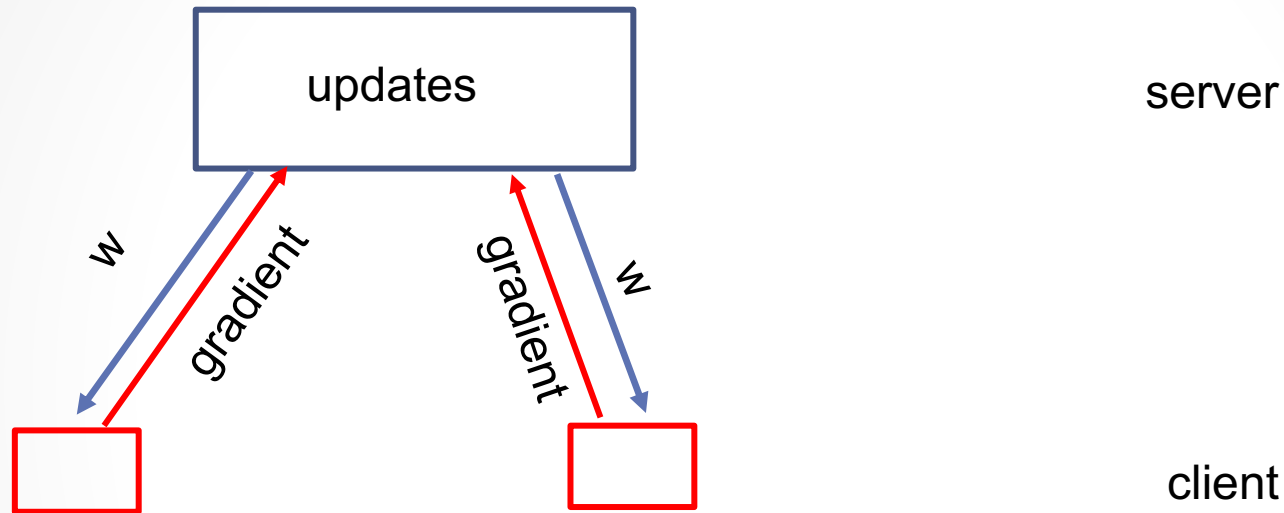


# Averaged Federated Learning



$$w = \underbrace{\frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p}_{\text{server}} \underbrace{w_i}_{\text{client}}$$

# Federated Learning: Gradient-descent learning



$$\underbrace{w(\text{iter}+1)}_{\text{server}} = \underbrace{w(\text{iter})}_{\text{server}} - \alpha \sum_{\text{client}_i} \underbrace{\text{gradient } Q_i}_{\text{client}}$$



# Evaluation of federated learning-based models

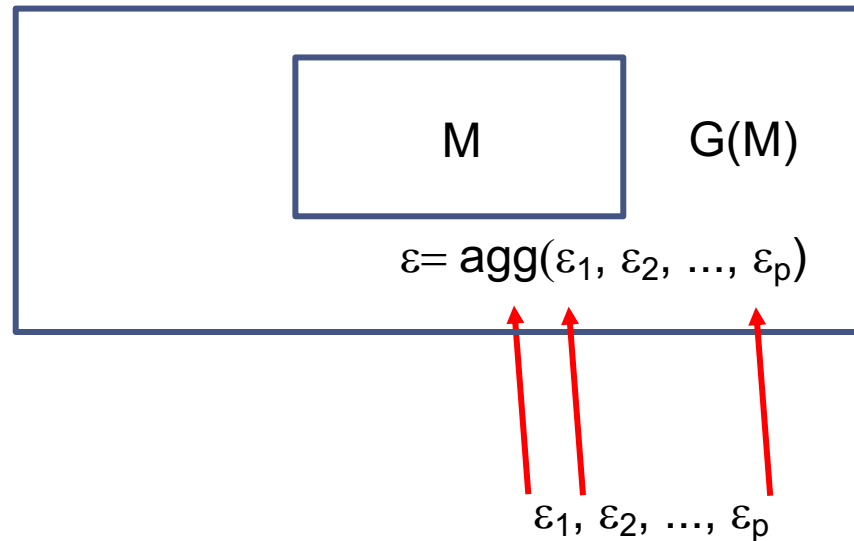
Model  $M$  confronted with local data  $D_{ii}$  of client  $i$ <sup>th</sup> results in its *granular* counterpart  $G(M)|_{D_{ii}}$

$G(M)|_{D_1}$      $G(M)|_{D_2}$     ....     $G(M)|_{D_p}$

$G(M)|_{D_{ii}}$  characterized by level of information granularity  $\varepsilon_{ii}$

$\varepsilon_{ii} = \arg \max(\text{cov}^* \text{sp})$

# Granular federated learning-based model- optimization (1)



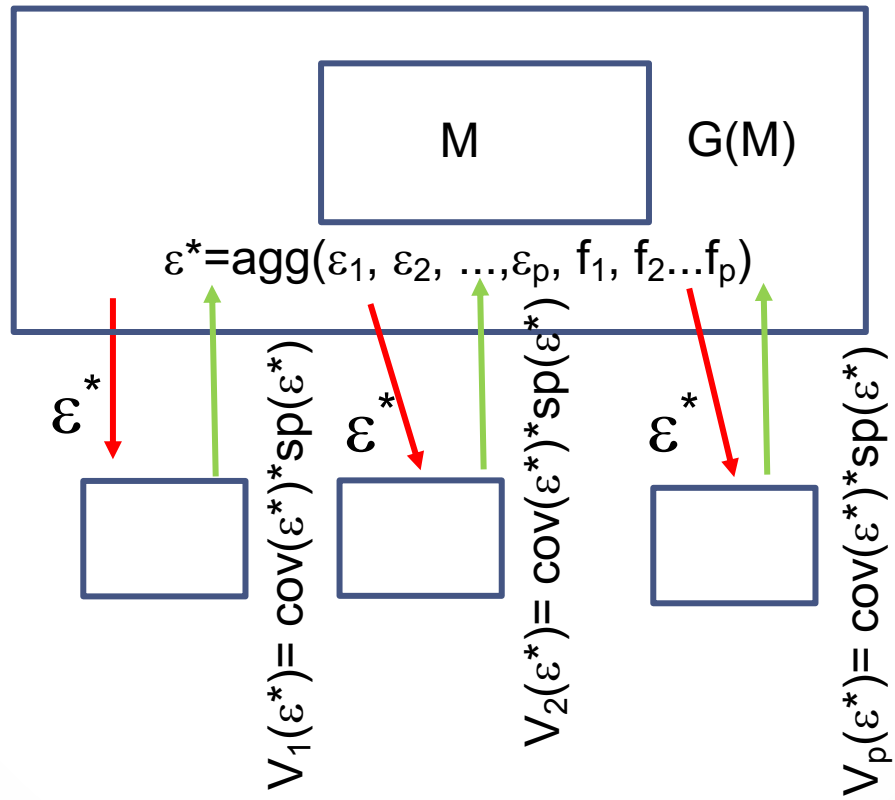
Aggregation of levels of information granularity

$$\varepsilon^* = \text{agg}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_p, f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p)$$

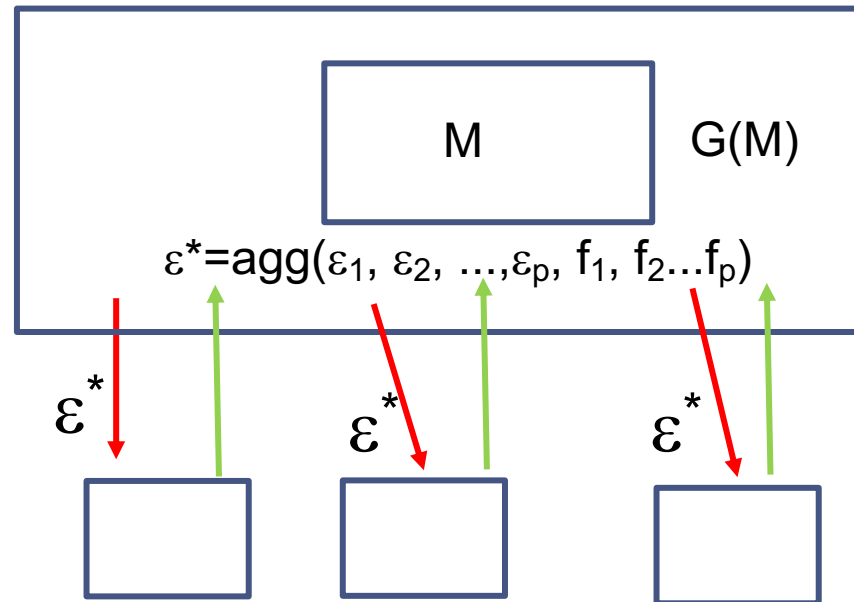
$f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p$  – weights

$\text{agg} \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{agg}}$  – family of aggregation operations

# Granular federated learning-based model- optimization (2)



# Granular federated learning-based model- optimization (3)



$$(\varepsilon^*_{\text{opt}}, \text{agg}_{\text{opt}}, f_{1,\text{opt}}, f_{2,\text{opt}} \dots f_{p,\text{opt}}) =$$

$$= \arg \text{Max}_{\text{agg} \in \mathcal{A}_{\text{agg}}, f_1, f_2 \dots f_p} [V_1(\varepsilon^*) + V_2(\varepsilon^*) + \dots + V_p(\varepsilon^*), \text{agg}, f_1, f_2 \dots f_p]$$

# Aggregation operators: generalized averages

$$\text{agg}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \sqrt[p]{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i)^p}$$

$p = 1$  arithmetic mean  $\text{agg}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i)$

$p \rightarrow 0$  geometric mean  $\text{agg}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{1/n}$

$p = -1$  harmonic mean  $\text{agg}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n (1/a_i)}$

**Carbon footprint**

# **Transfer Learning**

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# Transfer learning: an idea

Transfer learning: extraction of previously acquired knowledge and applied to a new similar application

Advantages/motivation:

Small, high quality data

Enhancing robustness of the ML model

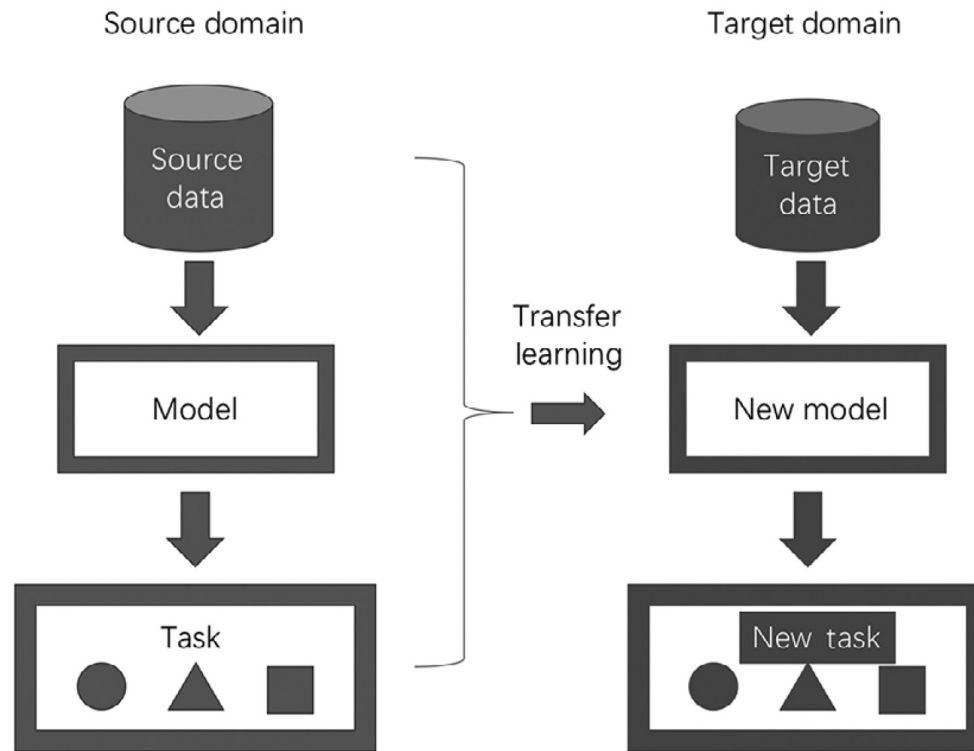
Elimination of cold start problem

Terminology

Knowledge reuse, learning by analogy, domain adaptation,

Pretraining...

# An idea



domain:  $D_s = \{F_s, P()\}$

task:  $T_s = \{Y_s, f_s(\cdot)\}$

domain:  $D_t = \{F_t, P()\}$

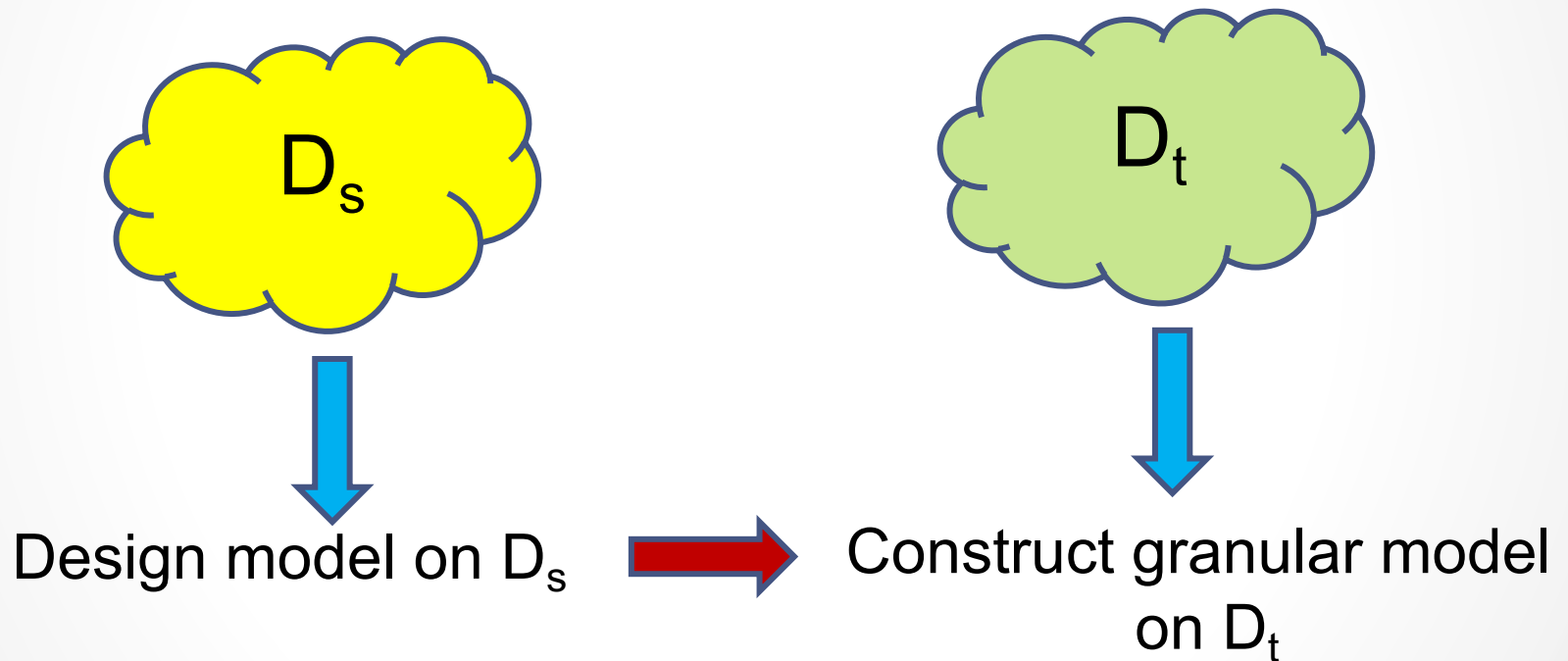
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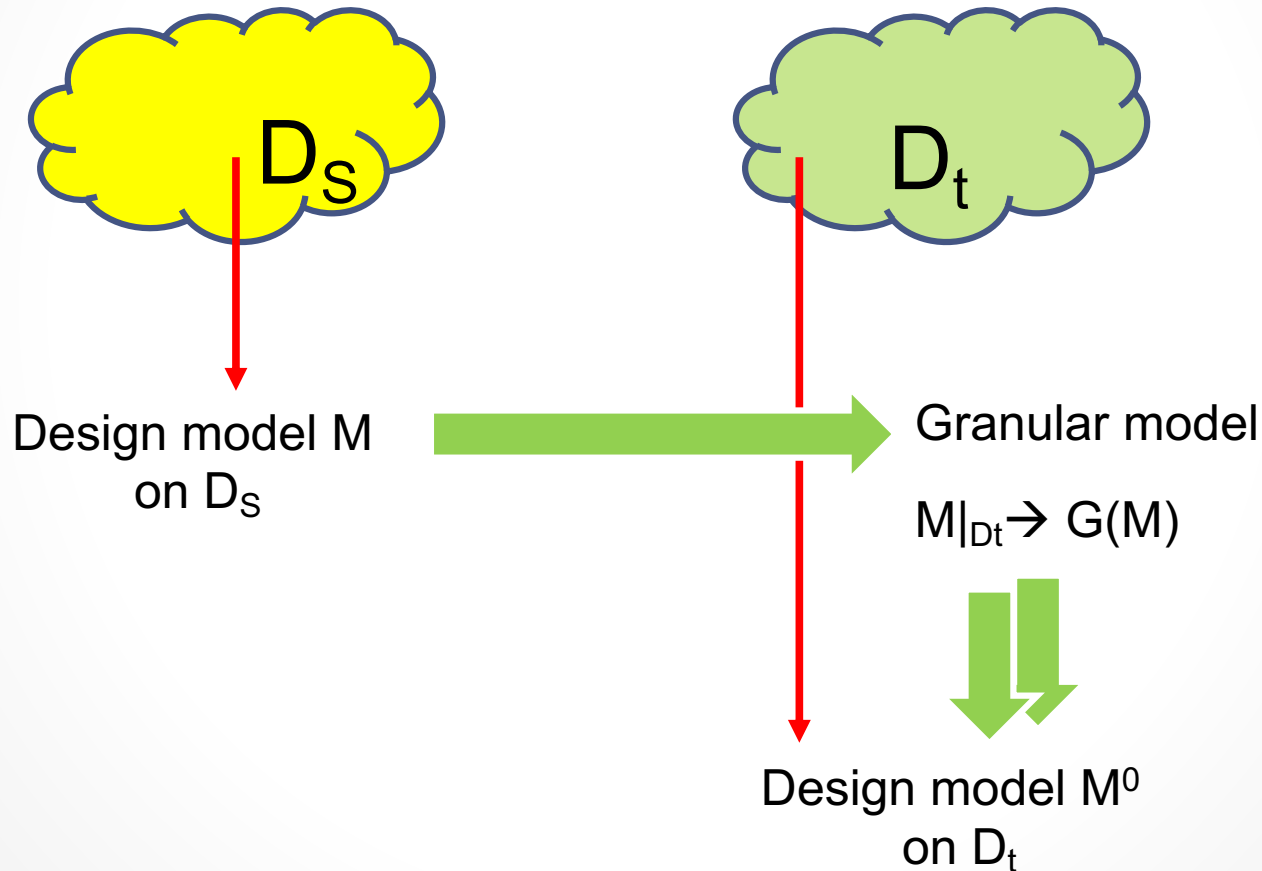


# Transfer Learning with information granules: passive approach

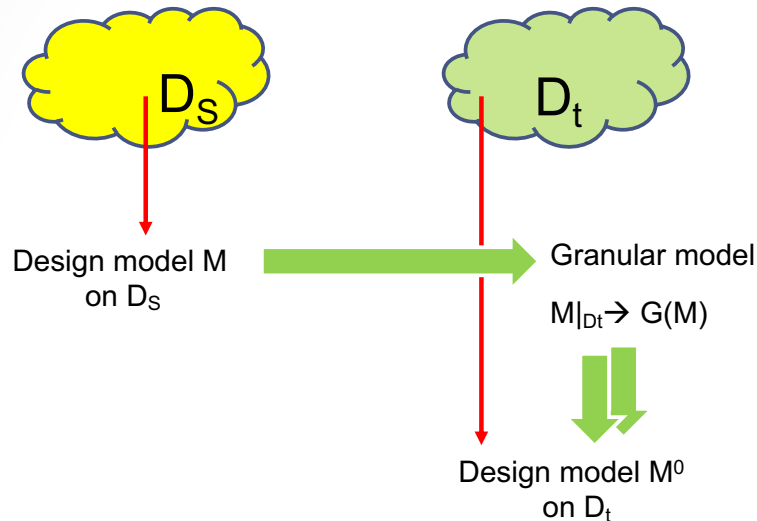


Information granularity associated with model  
to characterize closeness between source and target domains

# Transfer Learning with information granules: active approach



# Transfer learning with information granules



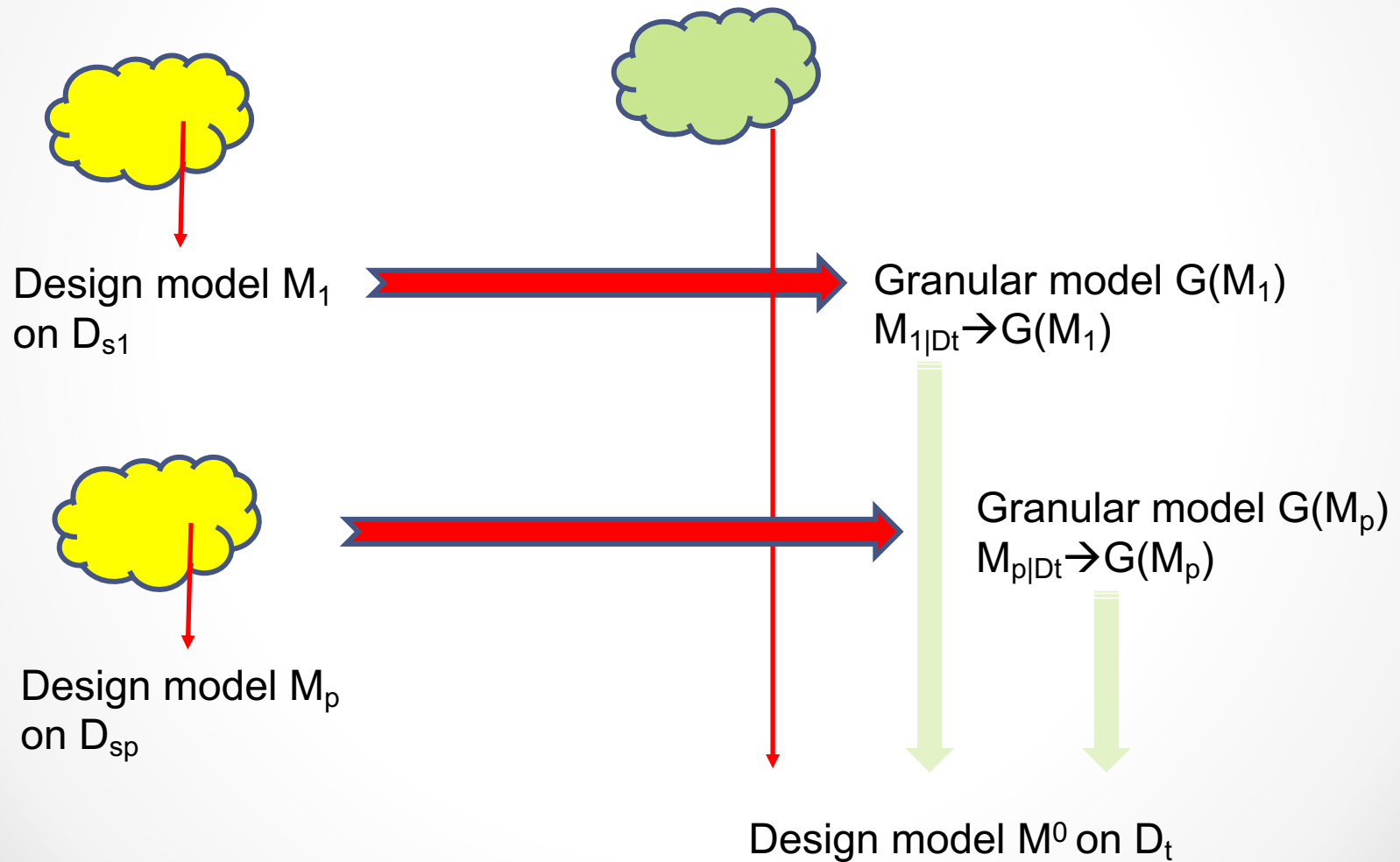
## Loss function

$$Q = \sum_{D_t} ||target_k - M^0(x_k, w)|| + \alpha \sum_{D_t} [1 - cov(M^0(x_k, w), G(M(x_k))) * sp(G(M(x_k)))]$$

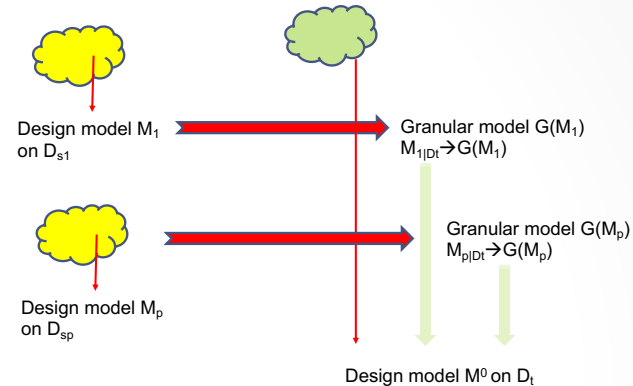
*granular regularization*

Min  $w$   $Q$        $w = w - \beta \nabla_w Q$

# Multisource transfer learning with information granules



# Multisources transfer learning with information granules



## Augmented loss function

$$Q = \sum_{D_t} ||target_k - M^0(x_k, w)|| + \alpha_1 \sum_{D_t} [1 - cov(M^0(x_k, w), G(M_1(x_k)))] * sp(G(M_1(x_k))) +$$

$$+ \alpha_2 \sum_{D_t} [1 - cov(M^0(x_k, w), G(M_2(x_k)))] * sp(G(M_2(x_k))) +$$

$$+ \alpha_p \sum_{D_t} [1 - cov(M^0(x_k, w), G(M_p(x_k)))] * sp(G(M_p(x_k)))$$

Min  $w$   $Q$

$$w = w - \beta \nabla_w Q$$

*granular regularization*

# Conclusions

New horizons of ML

The role of information granules and Granular Computing

Granular embedding and their role in quantification of results

Future developments: active learning strategies

