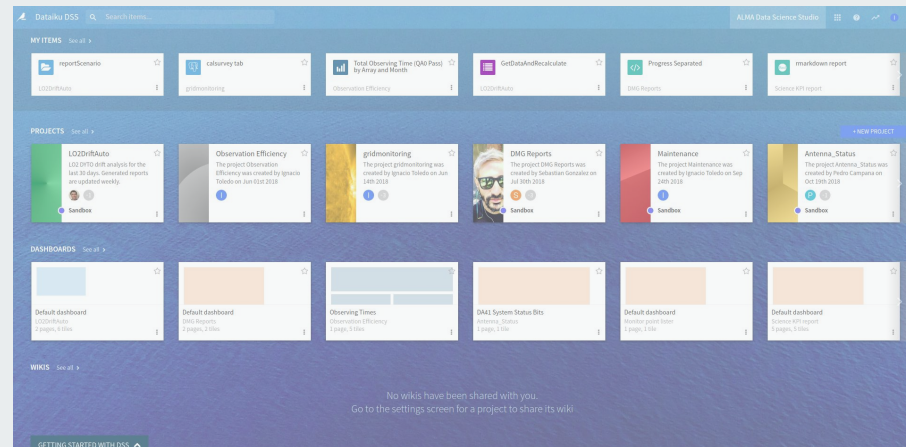


Data Science, not Software Engineering.

Exploring a workflow for ALMA operations.



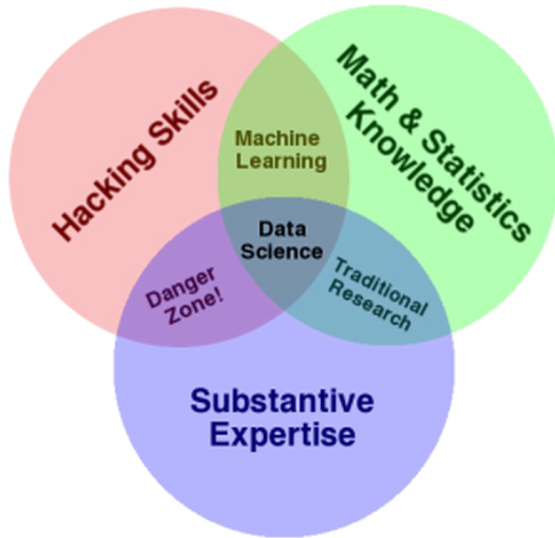


Abstract

In the last few years Data science has emerged as a discipline of its own to address problems where data is usually heterogeneous, complex and abundant. In a nutshell, data science allows to provide answers to situations where a hypothesis can be formulated and later can be either confirmed or rejected following standard scientific methodology using data as raw material.

Data science has been called differently depending of the domain (business intelligence, operational management, astroinformatics) and it has been recently in the center of a hype related to artificial intelligence and machine learning. It has been quickly adopted by the digital industry as the tool to distill information of massive operational data sets. Among the many tools data science requires (mathematics, statistics, domain knowledge of the data sets, ...), IT infrastructure and software is by far the most visible and there is at present a whole ecosystem available as open source projects. The downside of this is data science is commonly confused with IT and software development, which creates conflicts between engineering- and scientific- mindsets, and leads to wrongly applying software development methodologies to it neglecting the experimental nature of the problem. In summary, creating the data lab becomes more important than answering questions with it. In the domain of ALMA operations, there are many instances that can be identified and described as data science cases or projects ranging from monitoring array elements to understand performances and predict faults for engineering operations to routine monitoring of calibrators for science operations purposes.

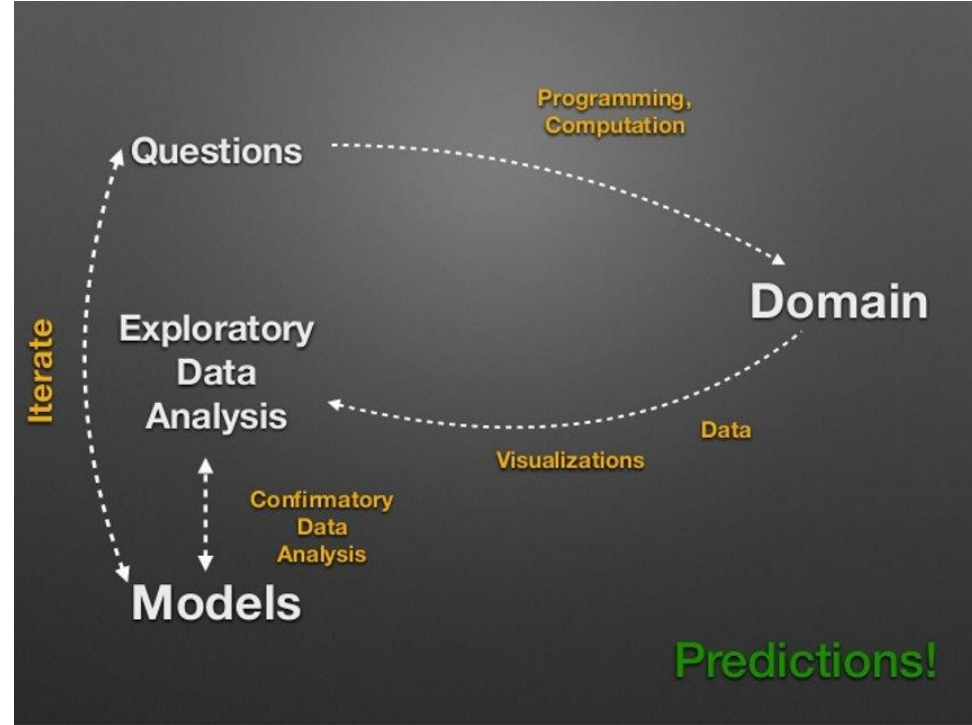
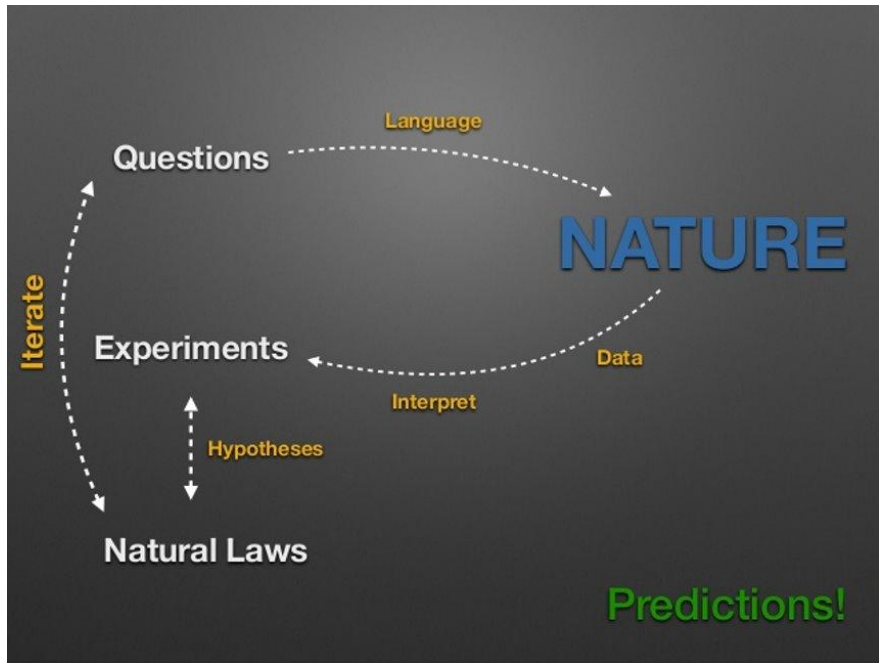
We have identified already around 30 different initial questions (or data science cases) and found that several of them have been addressed through individual efforts. In parallel, several enabling platforms or frameworks have appear in the ecosystem that provides data scientists with both the "laboratory equipment" to conduct their "experiments" as well as enabling tools for collaboration, versioning control, and deploying results in production with a quick turnaround. This talk aims to summarize the results of our exploration to apply data science workflows to resolve ALMA operations issues, identify suitable platforms that are already in use by the industry, share our experience in addressing specific ALMA operations data cases, and discuss the technical and sociological challenges we encountered along the way.



“Data science is the discipline of making data useful.”

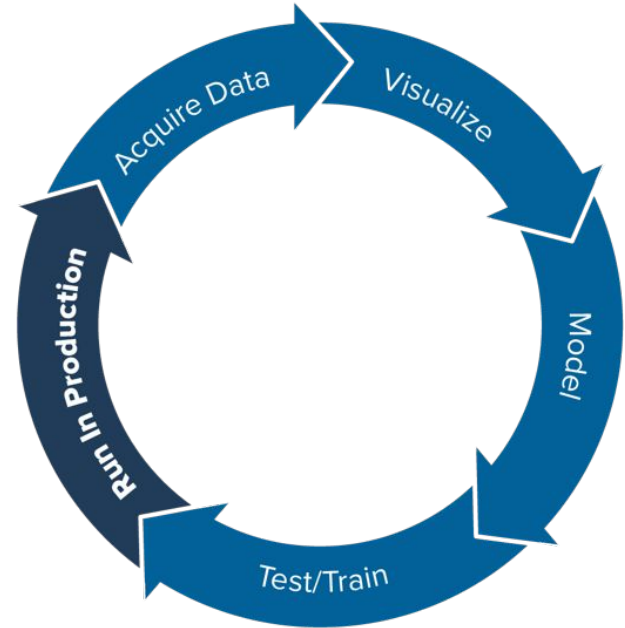
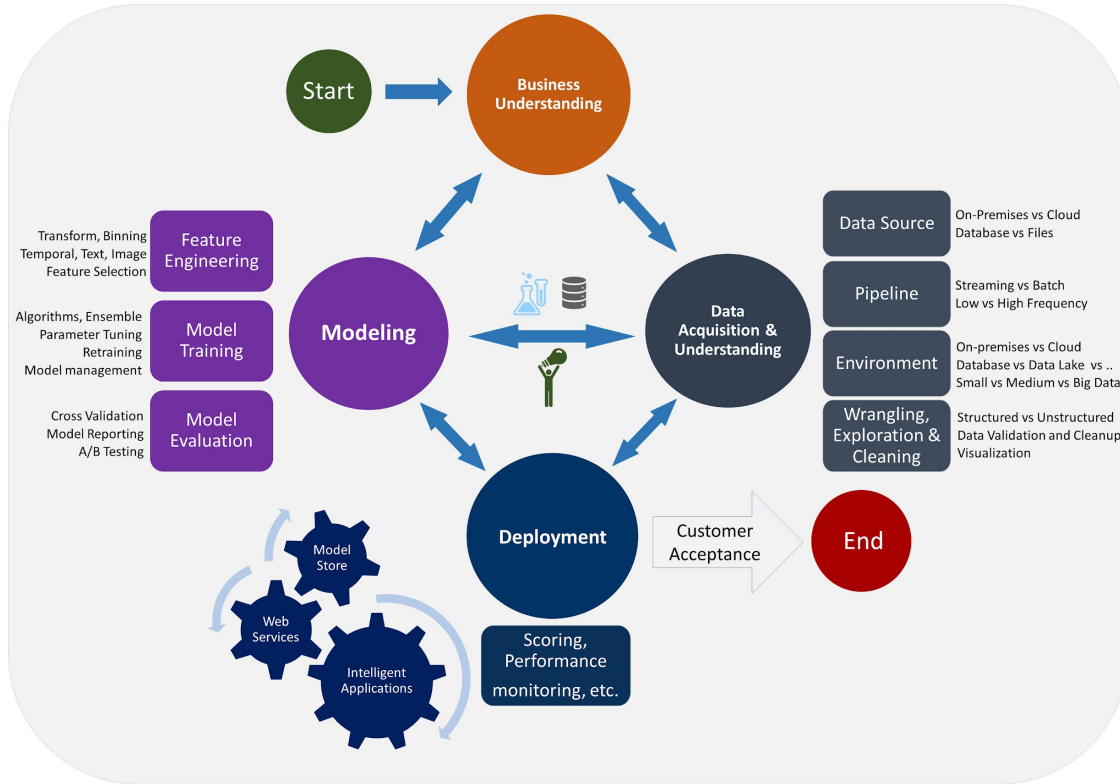
“Data science is science... it just starts with raw data exploration instead of physical observation”

What is Data Science?



A new methodology for an old process

Data Science Lifecycle



A different methodology

How is the observatory time distributed among the different executives?

Can we automate early detection or prediction of hardware failures leading to observation downtime or degradation? Can we automate diagnosis?

There is a need for a general set of tools to explore relationships between disparate arbitrary data streams as a support for problem investigation.

Hardware malfunction fault detection and diagnosis (FDD)

Given the current configuration and the forthcoming, how much pressure do we have of Science Projects, by band and LST?

Template: experiment name

ALMA Stakeholder: ALMA (department/team/manager). Executed by: Team member(s)

1

What was(is) the question or thesis?

2

What data was(is) needed and what science was done?

3


What was find out?
How was it shared?
Any gains?

Detect and diagnose IFPs amplifiers degradations on any antenna on 2 polarizations each, 4 basebands each polarization. Degradation leads to TP detectors readings calibration drift.

Quantify the dependency of photonic reference failure rate as a function of various factors to identify strategies for improvement

Track Needed Grid Executions, reduction & Ingestions: Observing Log of Grid data. Which sources need to be observed? Which sources/datasets need to be reduced/ingested? Who is reducing the data?

Are these software engineering or data science problems? Hint: check the outcome.



What are we doing at ALMA?

The Data Science initiative

- Not much resources: do not reinvent the wheel!
- Astronomers and engineers with statistical, mathematical, domain knowledge and coding skills. Work with them!
- Collaborate, socialize, communicate!
- Show results.

A data science platform collaboration



data
iku

Make data accessible

The screenshot displays the ALMA Data Science Studio interface. At the top, a blue header bar contains the text 'gridmonitoring' on the left and 'ALMA Data Science Studio' on the right, along with several utility icons. Below the header, the main content area is titled 'New dataset' and features a grid of 13 white cards, each representing a different data source or connector. The cards are arranged in three rows: the first row has six cards, the second row has five cards, and the third row has two cards. Each card includes an icon, a title, and a list of supported data sources or a description. Some cards also include a 'Learn more...' link at the bottom.

Files
Upload your files
Server Filesystem
Files in folder

Hadoop
Hadoop connection is not enabled on your DSS instance. Please contact your administrator

SQL
MySQL
PostgreSQL
HP Vertica
Amazon Redshift
IBM Netezza
Other SQL
EMC Greenplum
Teradata
Oracle
MS SQL Server
SAP HANA
Google BigQuery

Cloud Storages
Amazon S3
Azure Blob
Google Cloud Storage
FTP
SFTP
SCP
HTTP
HTTP (with cache)

NoSQL
MongoDB
Cassandra
ElasticSearch

Social
Twitter

DSS
Managed dataset
Folder
Dataset from another project
Metrics
Internal stats
Editable

Import existing
Choose connection to import from
Import from catalog

Plugin ictjira_connector
JIRA Connector
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Plugin logquery_retrieve
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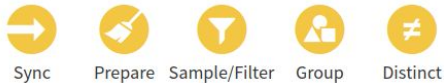
Plugin InfluxTest
Custom dataset influxTest_influxDB
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Google Sheets connector
Google Sheets document
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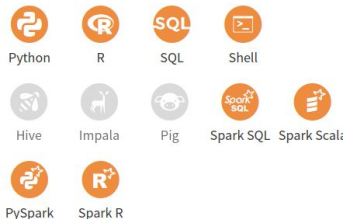
More dataset options?
[Browse plugins](#)

Create a laboratory with the tools needed

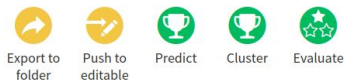
Visual recipes



Code recipes



Other recipes



The image shows a Jupyter notebook editor interface for a recipe from the notebook DataAnalysis Grid. The notebook contains the following code:

```
In [1]: import dataiku
from dataiku import pandasutils as pdu
import pandas as pd
import itertools

In [2]: # Read the dataset as a Pandas dataframe in memory
# Note: here, we only read the first 100k rows. Other sampling options are available
dataset_STEP3_PREPARED = dataiku.Dataset("STEP3_PREPARED")
df = dataset_STEP3_PREPARED.get_dataframe(limit=100000)

In [3]: df.sort_values(by="SE_START", inplace=True)
df.set_index("SE_START", inplace=True)

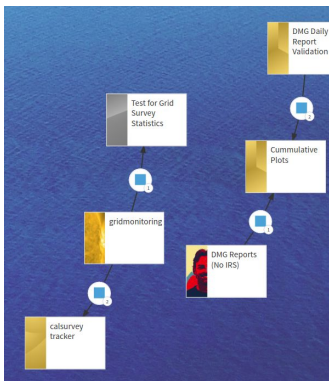
In [4]: def per_var(values):
data = []
for c in itertools.combinations(values, 2):
data.append(pd.np.absolute(100 * c[0]/(c[1] - 100)))
return pd.Series([pd.np.average(data), len(data)])
```

The interface also shows a top navigation bar with "Dataiku DSS" and "ALMA Data Science Studio". Below the notebook, there is a "Packages to install" panel with the following settings:

- Install core packages: Install mandatory set of packages (you won't be able to use Dataiku APIs without that)
- Install Jupyter support: Install support for Jupyter notebooks
- BASE PACKAGES (CONDA): pandas >=0.20, <0.21; requests >=2.18, <2.19; python-dateutil >=2.6, <2.7; pytz >=2018.3
- BASE PACKAGES (PIP): ipykernel >=4.8, <4.9; pyzmq >=16.0, <16.1; tornado<5
- REQUESTED PACKAGES (PIP): [Empty]
- REQUESTED PACKAGES (CONDA): [Empty]

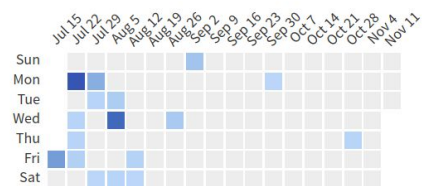
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Collaborate and socialize



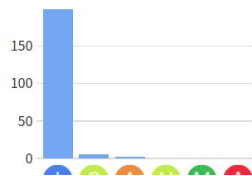
Summary

Show Commits for Last year



Contributors activity

During last year, **3 authors** have created **206 commits**, **18,605 additions** and **7,275 deletions**.



History

- 2 commits on Oct 31, 2018
 - Updated exposed objects (project:GRIDMONITORING) - cveudago - 12 days ago
 - Updated exposed objects (project:GRIDMONITORING) - cveudago - 12 days ago
- 1 commit on Oct 1, 2018
 - Updated project permissions (project:GRIDMONITORING) - Italoedo - 1 month ago
- 1 commit on Sep 21, 2018
 - Saved explore settings of calsurvey_tab - Italoedo - 1 month ago
- 1 commit on Sep 13, 2018

gridmonitoring

The project *gridmonitoring* was created by Ignacio Toledo on Jun 14th 2018

Automation

1 ACTIVE SCENARIOS | 149 RUNS

Flow: 19 DATASETS | 16 RECIPES | 4 NOTEBOOKS | 0 DASHBOARD | 0 ARTICLE | 0 TASK

Show the results!

Days since last observation in Bands 3 and 7 on calsurvey_tab

	B3	B7	
J0006-0623	3	4	3
J0237+2848	2	3	2
J0238+1636	2	3	2
J0319+4130	2	3	2
J0334-4008	0	2	0
J0423-0120	2	3	2
J0510+1800	0	2	0
J0519-4546	0	2	0
J0522-3627	0	2	0
J0538-4405	0	2	0
J0635-7516	0	2	0
J0725-0054	0	2	0
J0750+1231	0	2	0
J0854+2006	21	2	2
J0904-5735	0	2	0
J1037-2934	0	2	0
J1058+0133	0	2	0



Default dashboard

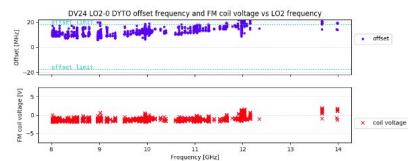
LO2 replacement candidates - Top 5 priorities from frequency offset analysis

Antenna	BBpr	Frequency offset count	Analysis date
DV24		0	2339
DA56		3	1100
CM09		1	774
DV09		3	674
DV12		0	543

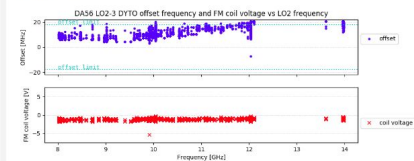


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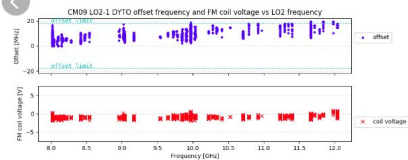
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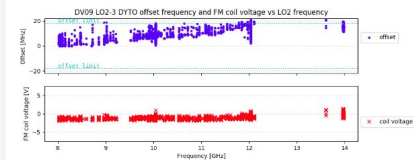
priority_1



priority_2



priority_3



What is Next? A new challenge.

Framework to use modern Big Data Software Tools to improve operations at the Paranal Observatory

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DATA Engineer

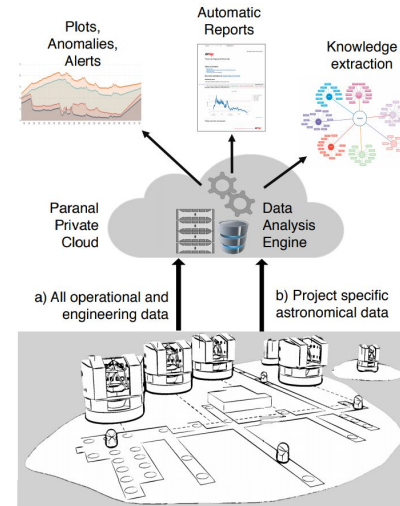
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Questions?