Practical Machine Learning,
Causal Learning and Bayesian
Belief Networks for System
Simulation, Test and Predictive
Maintenance

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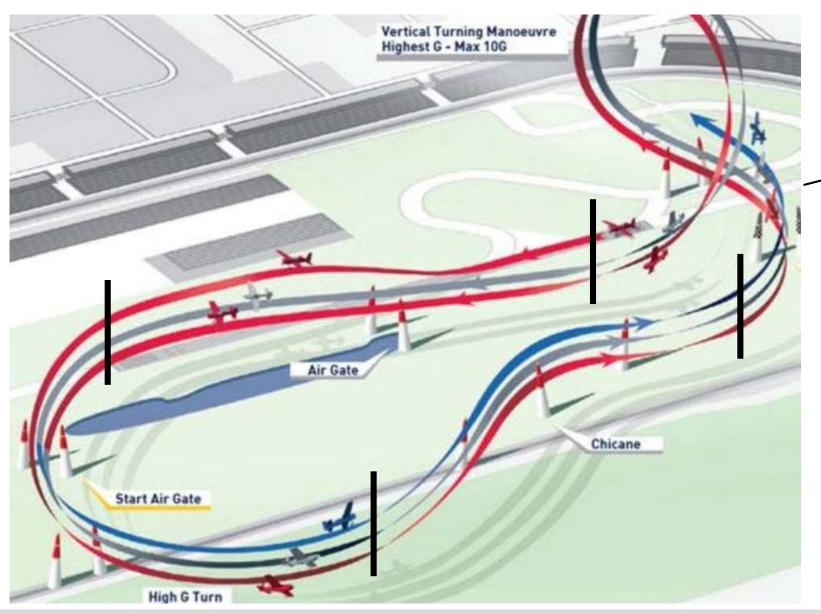
The following concepts represent current SEI research and customer support of programs within the USAF and Navy.

Although machine learning and deep learning are not novel in their application, our complement of causal learning to segregate true causal influence from spurious correlation enable us to go one step further in providing more actionable models.

The avionics system depicted in these slides could be any system. The methodology would be unchanged across domains.

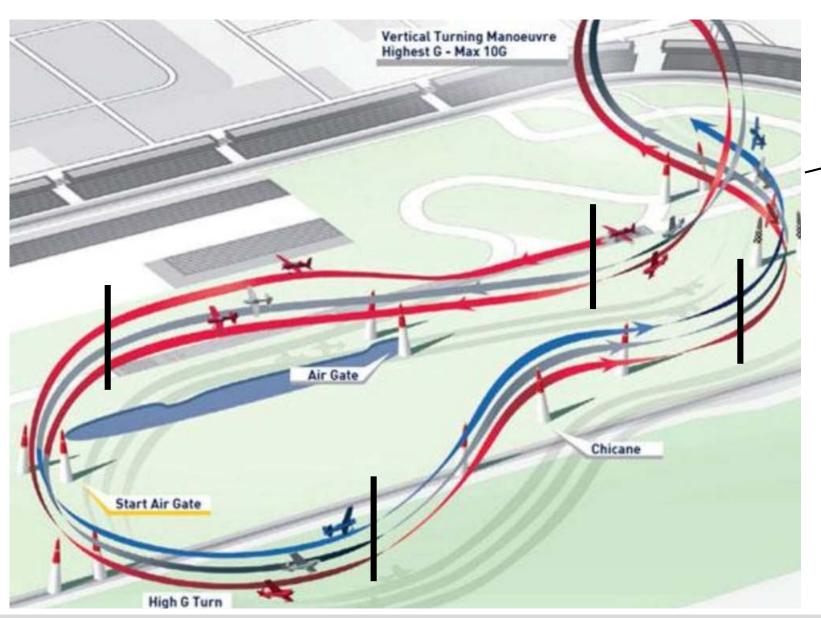
We first discuss potential improvement in system simulation and test via machine and causal learning followed by improvement in system diagnosis via BBNs informed from machine and causal learning.

System Simulation and Test Operational Modes



Parametric data from avionics simulation and test are segregated by operational mode (suggested here as flight segments separated by vertical black lines)

Machine and Causal Learning within Modes

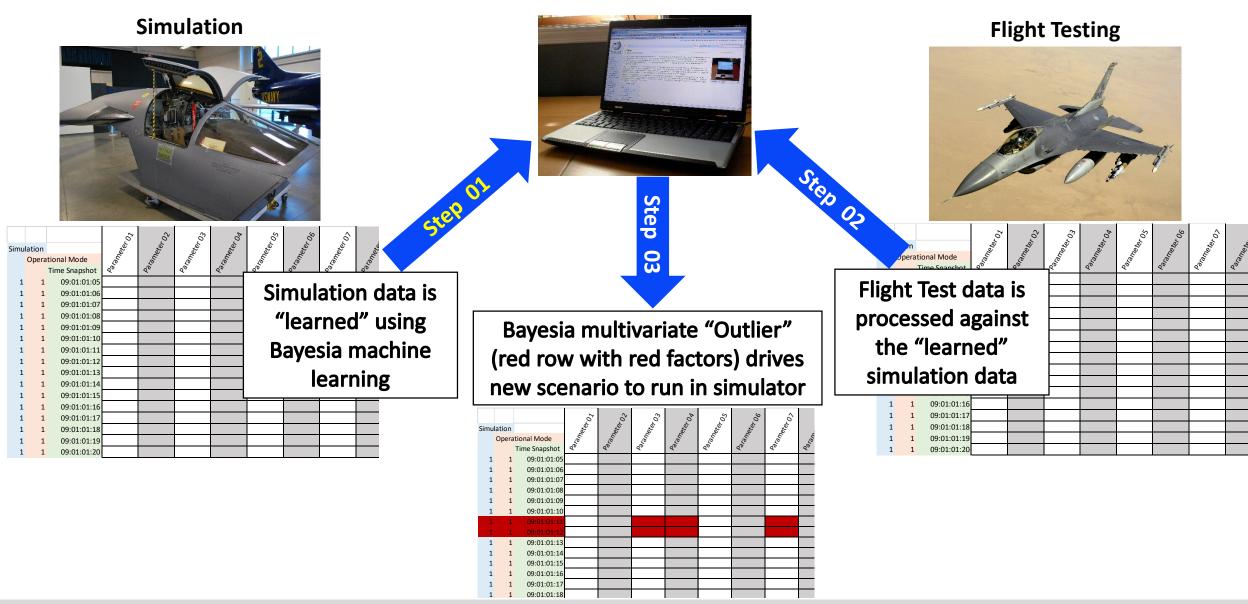


For each mode, Machine and Causal Learning models will be developed on both the flight data and simulation data.

This will enable us:

- To evaluate realism of existing simulation and test, and
- To generate more realistic scenarios at the parametric level for simulation and test.

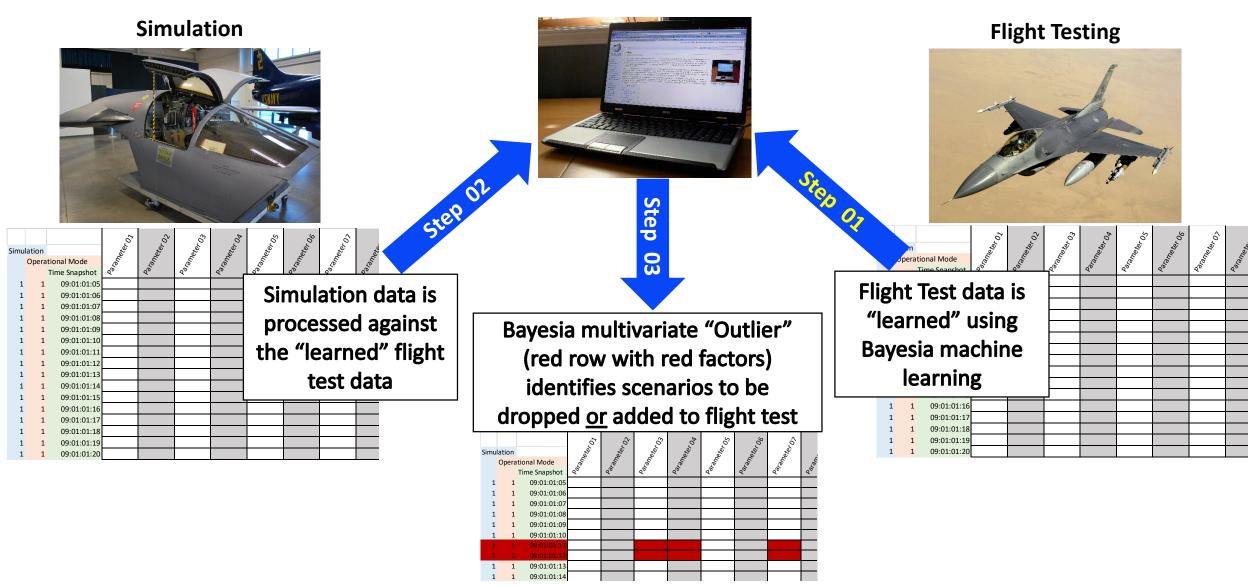
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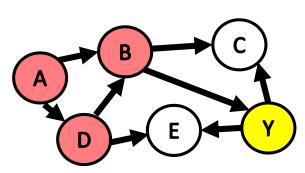
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Learning Causal Patterns from Flight Test Stress Scenarios



Tetrad causal chains (red) for each Y stress factor clarify an essential scenario to be enacted



Tetrad



Bayesia



Bayesia results identify subset of factors for Causal **Learning with Tetrad**

Step 02

Flight Testing

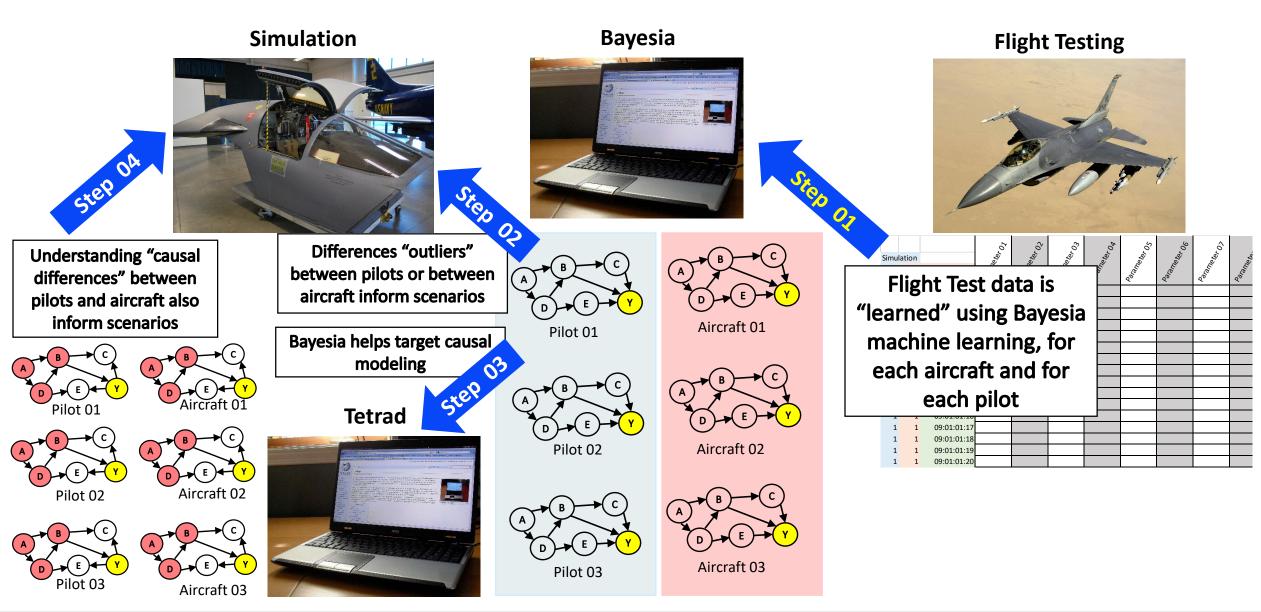


Flight Test data is "learned" using Bayesia machine learning

Yellow Y factors represent factors that are viewed as measures of different types of stress. So we conduct supervised machine learning on the Y factors individually.

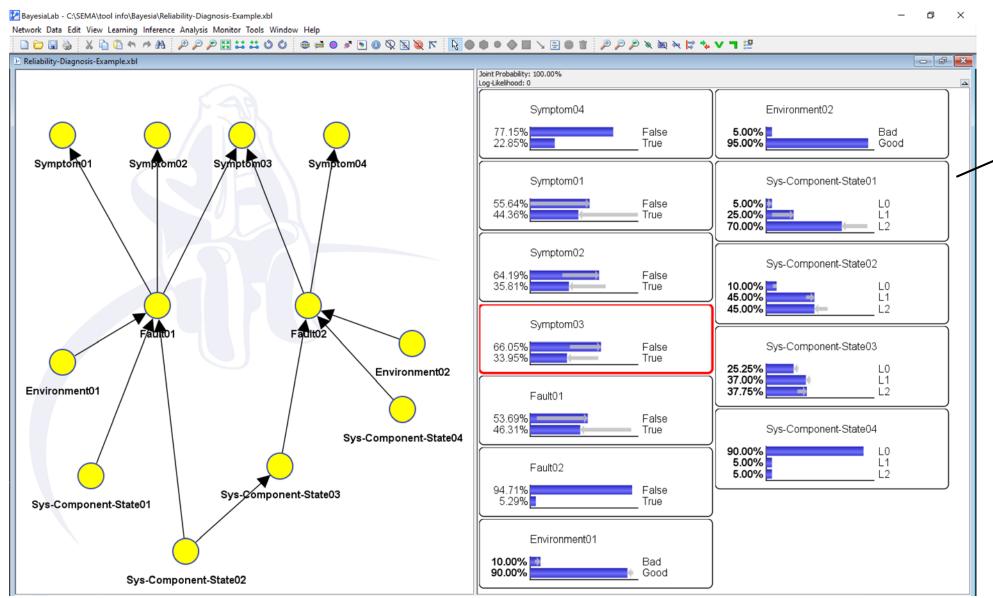
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Comparing Flight Test Behavior across Aircraft and Pilots



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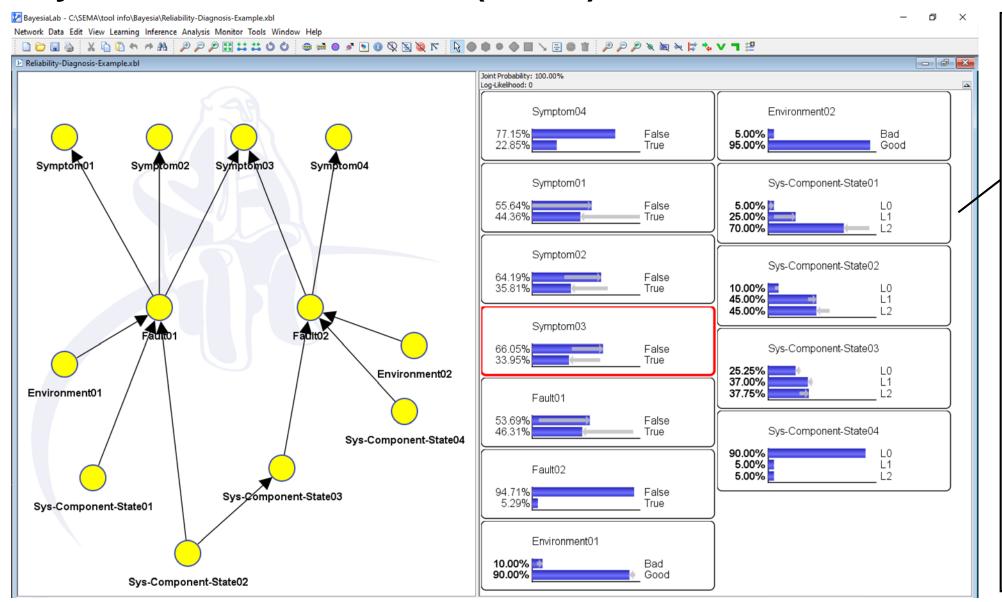
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BBN concept linking System **Behavior States** with Potential Faults and Potential **Symptoms**

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Such a BBN may be constructed thru both Machine and Causal Learning. The **BBN** machinery brings together causal learning and prior knowledge to guide maintenance decision.