Test- and Measurement Data as First-Class ML Citizens

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Test- and Measurement Data Problem



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Problem Analysis

Data Format Diversity (Variety, Velocity, Volume)

- Data comes in dozens of formats.
- Structured, Semi-structured, Unstructured
- 10–30 different formats across systems

Data Accessibility (Value)

- Data silos
- IT boundaries
- Missing/proprietary interfaces

Data Quality (Veracity)

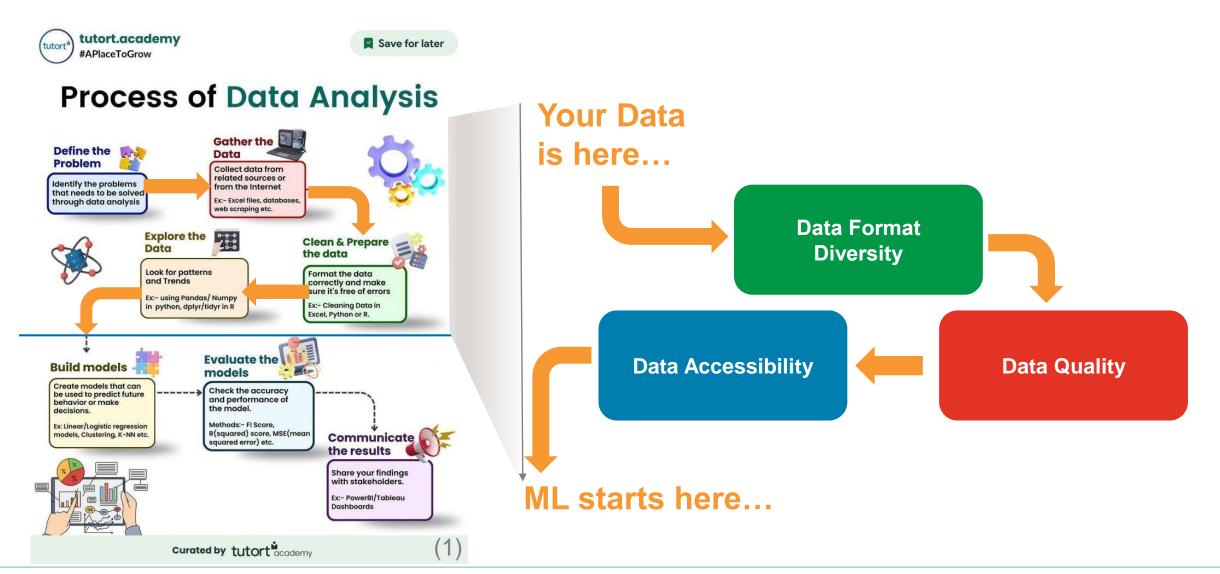
- Not cleansed
- Inaccurate
- Inconsistently formatted
- Missing Meta Data

Data Analysis Rate

- 5% to 20% of collected test and measurement data is typically analyzed (1)
- "less than 0.5% of all data is ever analyzed and used" (2)



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Path to Solution

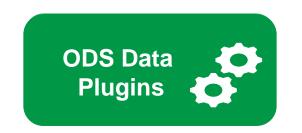


- Data captured in different formats (different tool vendors)
 - Test- and measurement data mostly stored in files
 - Access to proprietary data by libraries in different programming languages
 - CSV is the biggest PITA
- Existing toolchains limits flexibility
 - Prevent data movement or conversion
 - Breaking existing toolchains introduce additional costs
- Data volume prohibits data copies
 - "Doubles" the needed storage space
 - Conversion may be needed for performance reasons



Extract Data from Different Data Formats

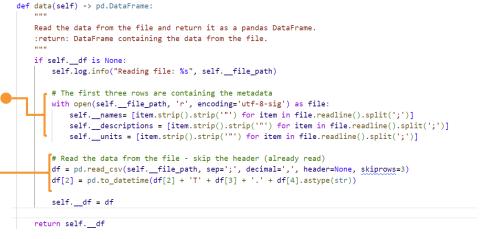
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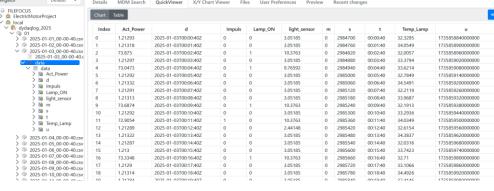


ASAM ODS (External) Data Plugins

- Lean micro services (Google Protobuf)
 - GetMetaData (channel name, description, units)
 - GetChannelData (bulk data)
- Support for "any" programming language
- Small R&D Investment
- IP-Protection possible









Extract Data from Different Data Formats

Advantages



- Data Format Homogenization using a Standardized API
 - All file formats looks similar through the lens of the API
- No data conversion or data movement necessary!
 - Existing toolchains stay intact
 - No data duplication needed
- Small R&D Investment
 - Google Protobuf-Technology supports "any" Programming Language
 - Fast Implementation due to Code Generation and existing Examples



Format and Store the Data Correctly

Challenges

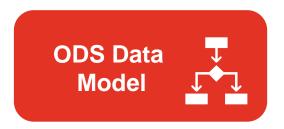
Data Quality

- Not Cleansed or Inaccurate Data
 - Missing or Miss-spelled Data
 - Wrong data values
- Missing Meta Data and Data Context
 - Limited organizational and searching functionality
 - Limited analytic functionality (think Power BI, ML, ...)
- Inconsistently formatted Data
 - ✓ ASAM ODS (External) Data Plugins



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Solution



ASAM ODS (Base) Data Model Hierarchical AoNameMap AoAttributeMap AoEnvironment Order AoMimetypeMap Environment **Engineering** Dimensions Descriptive Data Administration and Units AoAny **Units Catalog** AoQuantity AoTestSequence AoTest oUnitUnderTest AoTestEquipment Abstract Group Group Abstract Abstract AoLog **Descriptive** AoTest Sequence AoTest AoUnit AoPhysical UnderTest Equipment AoPara Information meter AoSubTest AoUnit AoTest AoTest Sequence Part JnderTestF Equipment AoPara AoUnit AoQuantity Part meterSet AoMeasurement AoUser Group Doct AoMeasure AoSub AoUser AoLocal Measurement Column **ODS Data** User Security (Bulk) Data **Plugins** AoExterna Measurements Management **Support**



Format and Store the Data Correctly

Advantages



- Detection of Not Cleansed or Inaccurate Data
 - Data Catalogs to identify Missing or Miss-spelled Data
 - Limits, NAN and NULL to mark wrong data values
- Extended Meta Data and Data Context
 - Navigation Hierarchy to support Data Organization
 - Descriptive Data for improved Analysis and Searching Capabilities
- Machine Learning Advantages
 - Base Data Model for Data Semantic
 - Base Entities and Relations define a Measurement Data Ontology



Provide Suitable Data Access

Challenges

Data Accessibility



Job

- Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)
- Processing, Cleaning and Verifying the Integrity of data.
- Identify trends in data and make unique predictions.
- Develop an understanding of using Machine Learning Techniques.

Explore the Data



Look for patterns and Trends

Ex:- using Pandas/ Numpy in python, dplyr/tidyr in R

Skills

- Understanding of Machine Learning Algorithm and Techniques.
- Hands-on Data Visualization tools such as Tableau and Power BI.
- Experience in Big data tools like Spark and Hadoop.
- Understanding of Python or R and Expert in SQL.



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Analyze

- Python
- DataFrames
- Standardized
- Al Connectivity



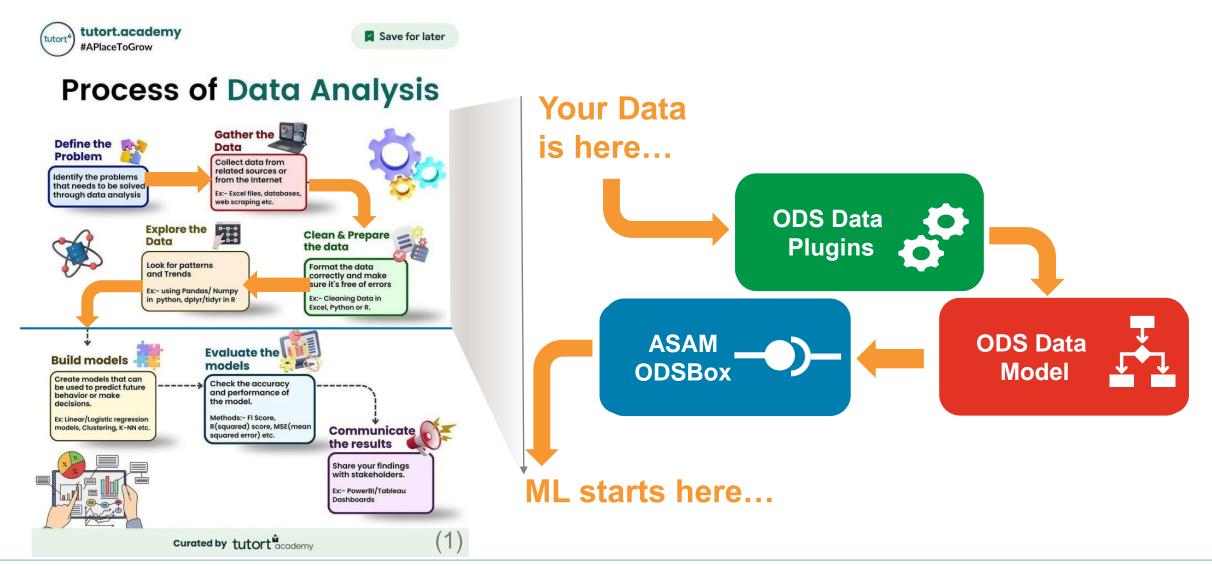
Data Access

ASAM ODSBox

- Access ASAM ODS server using Python
- Light-weight wrapper on HTTP/Protobuf
- Provide data as pandas.DataFrames
- Simple Query Language (mongoDB like)
- Pip-install
- Open Source



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Solution - Summary



Summary

Advantages of the ASAM ODS Standard

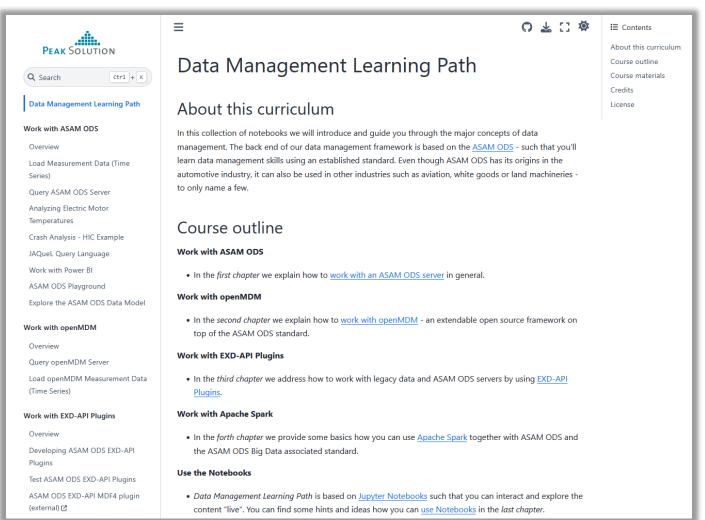
- The combination of ASAM ODS DataPlugins, with the ASAM ODS (Base) Data Model and the ASAM ODSBox provide the needed functionalities and capabilities making
 Test- and Measurement Data a First Class ML Citizen.
- Typical Machine Learning Tools can now be used by Data Scientists for "any data".
- Furthermore, the introduced tool chain bridges the gap to Microsoft **Copilot** or Google **Gemini** or other **Al Assistants** to create solutions faster and more efficient even for **non-Data Scientists**.
- The ASAM ODS Standard helps integrating different measurement data files into a holistic data view.





Where to start?

Interactively explore ASAM ODS Solutions



Open Source Training Material

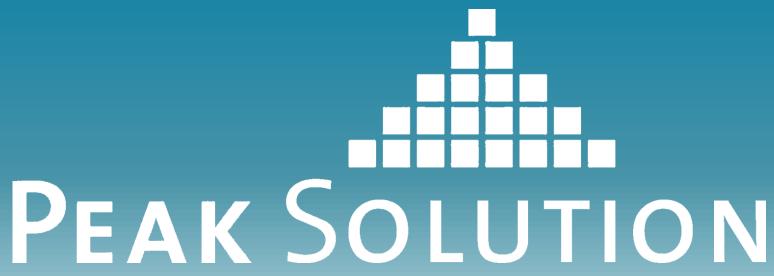
- Jupyter Notebooks
- Python API Examples
- ExD Plugin Examples
- Microsoft Power BI
- Apache Spark
- Github Codespaces
- Google Colab











Test Processes - Test Data - Digital Identities

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