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# Predictive On-Line Monitoring of Cogeneration Plants

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# Speaker Introduction



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**Dr. David Smith**, Senior Analytical Solutions Engineer, AI Center of Excellence, United Kingdom:

Dr. Smith is a Chartered Mechanical Engineer and holds a Ph.D. in Fluid Mechanics from Imperial College London. Until 2018 he worked in the industry mainly for EPC companies, leading design, development, and commissioning of Power Plant processes and combustion systems.

Moving to AVEVA, Dr. Smith joined the AI Center of Excellence where his main activities are the integration of AI technologies with AVEVA's first principles simulation products as well as being an SME for Power.



# Suncor Energy

## An overview





- A globally competitive integrated energy company with a team of over 30,000 people, headquartered in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- Our operations include oil sands development, production and upgrading; offshore oil and gas; petroleum refining in Canada and the US; and our national Petro-Canada™ retail distribution network (now including our Electric Highway network of fast-charging EV stations).
- We care about responsibly developing our petroleum resources, while profitably growing a renewable energy portfolio and advancing the transition to a low-emissions future.

**To provide trusted  
energy that enhances  
people's lives,  
while caring for each  
other and the earth.**



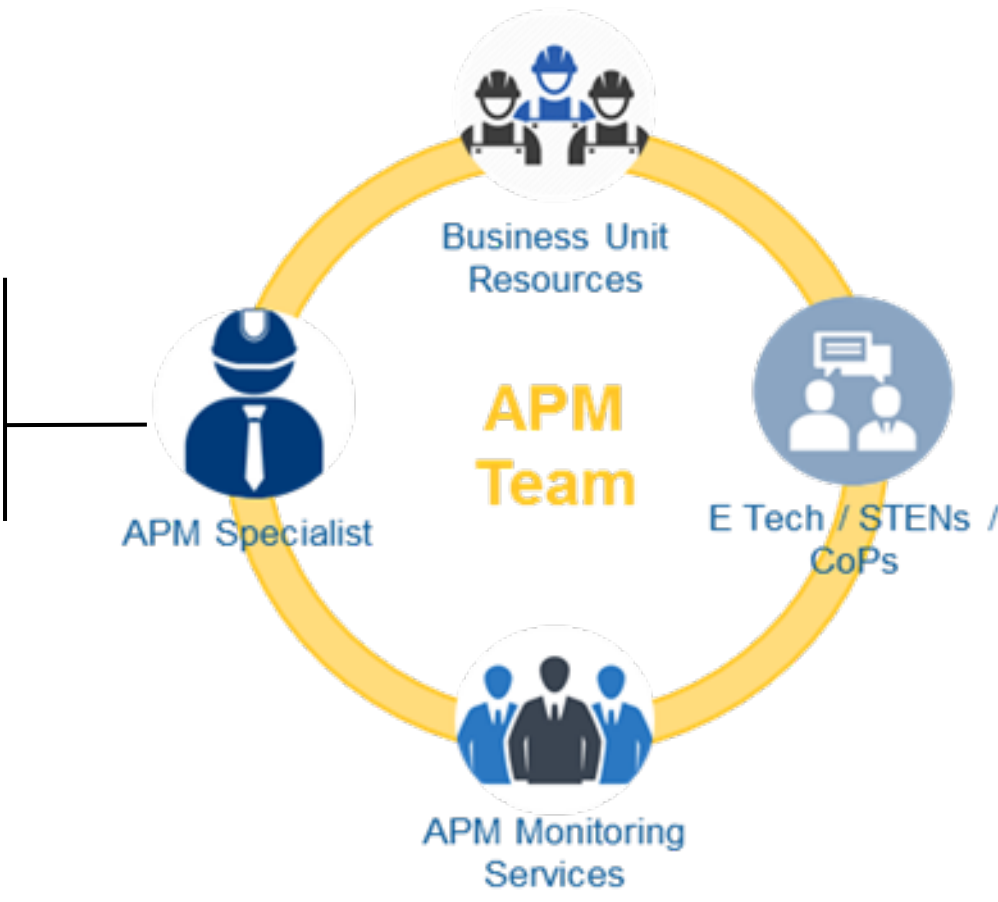
# Asset Performance Management Remote Monitoring, Advanced Analytics, & Remote Monitoring (APM RAW)





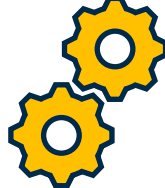


# APM (RAW) Overview

Asset Performance Management (APM) (RAW) is part of the overall Reliability Enablement journey. It leverages **R**emote monitoring, **A**dvanced analytics, and a collaborative **W**orkflow (RAW) to enable predictive asset maintenance and identification of risks to future asset performance.

Once analytical models are developed and deployed, the **APM Specialists** monitor these models and work with sites to triage, investigate and action any advanced alerts.



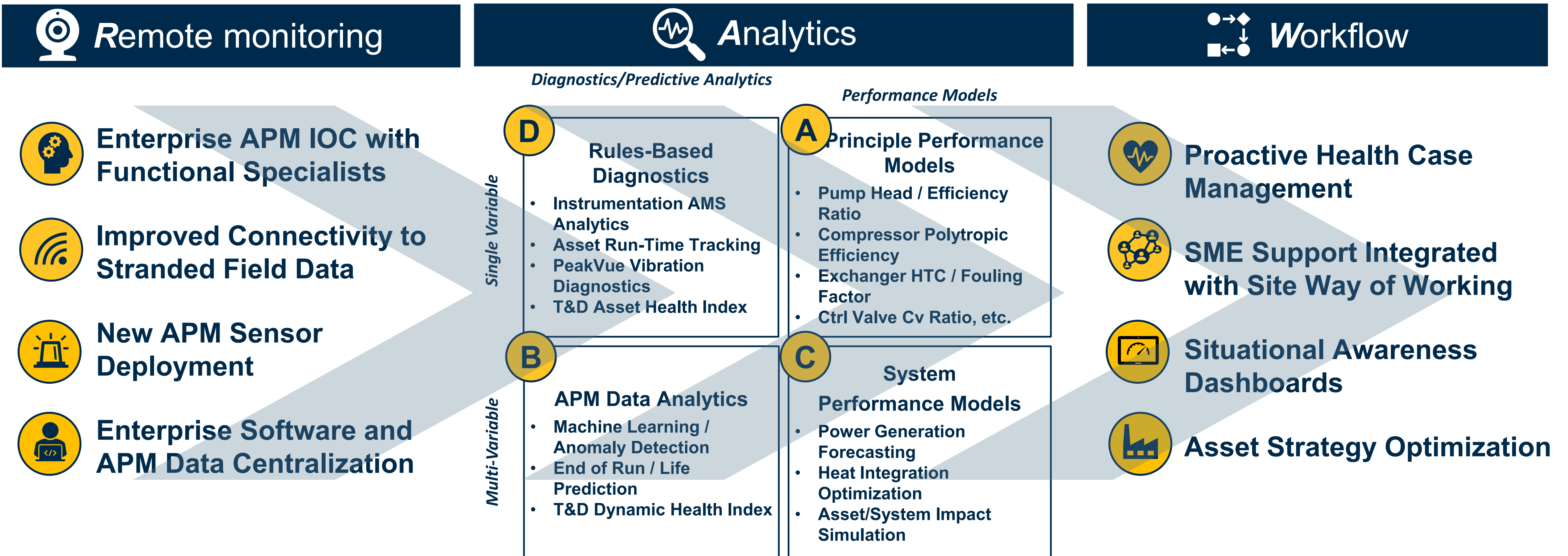
Working as a collaborative unit, the APM Team will monitor Suncor's assets, focusing on the window of 6 weeks and out

Benefits	Time to Plan	Damage Reduction	Asset Strategy Optimization	Institutionalized Knowledge	Collaborative Work Environment
	 <i>Reduce LOV, reduce planned maintenance costs</i>	 <i>Catch anomalies before secondary damage occurs</i>	 <i>Do the right work at the right time via early detection</i>	 <i>Shared learning and centralized expertise across the enterprise</i>	 <i>Access to expertise (i.e. STENs, Enterprise Tech etc.)</i>



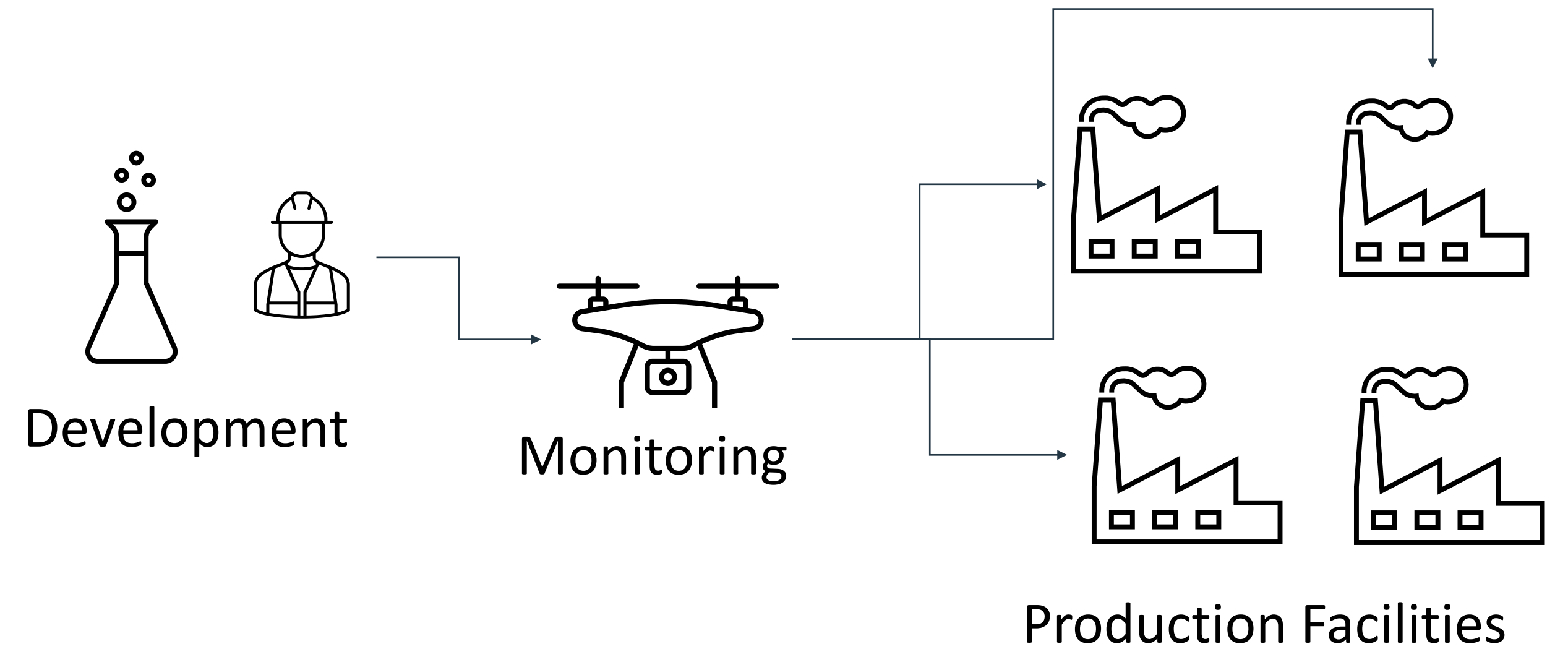
# Asset Performance Management – “RAW” Explained

The **R**emote monitoring, **A**dvanced analytics, and collaborative **W**orkflow (RAW) components of the APM program **enable** predictive asset maintenance and identification of risks to future asset performance



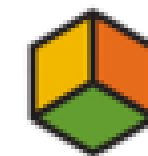


# Centralized Monitoring Team



Multiple software platforms

AVEVA Process Optimization



Asset Framework

AVEVA™ PI Vision™



AVEVA™ Predictive Analytics

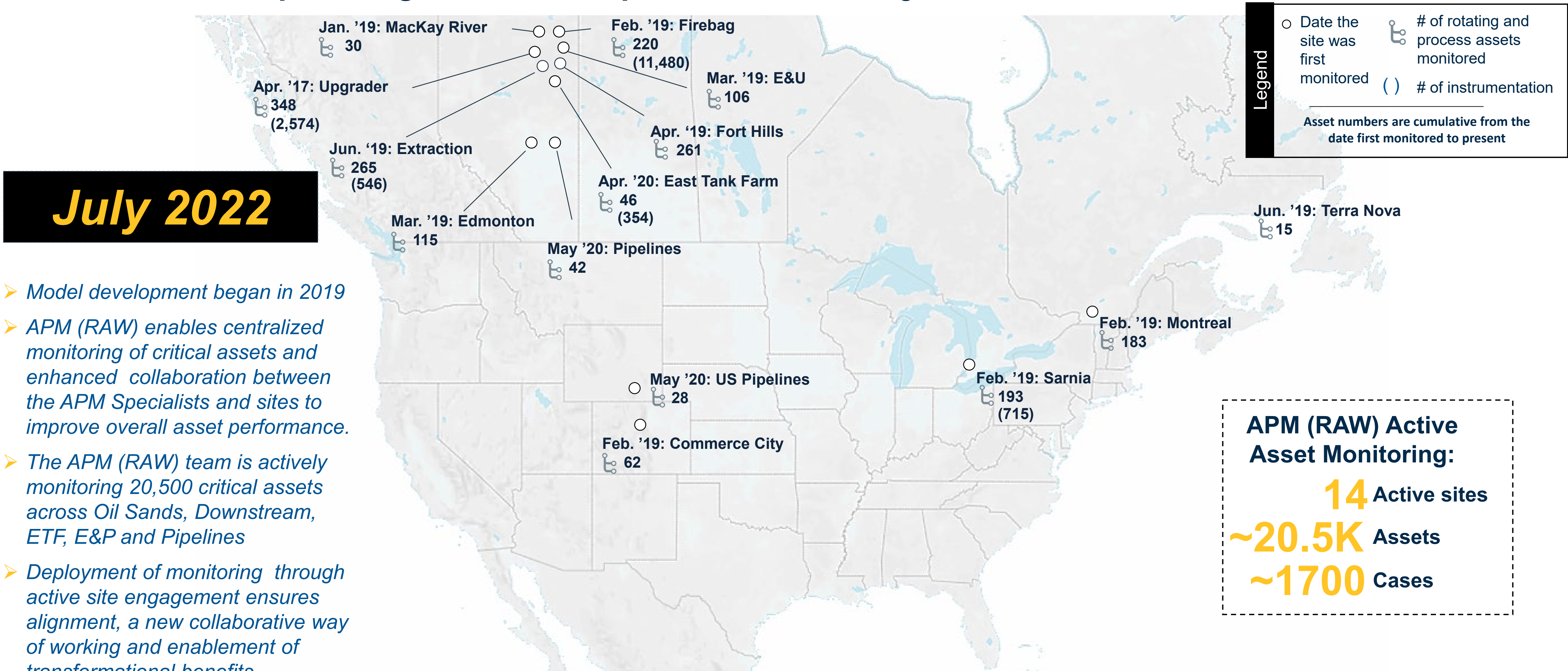
Monitoring team consists of:

- (4) Rotation Specialists
- (1) Cogeneration Specialist
- (1) Process Specialist
- (1) Instrumentation Specialist



# APM (RAW) Deployments and Monitoring

The APM (RAW) program has expanded its asset monitoring capabilities across the enterprise and is currently active at 14 sites *optimizing overall asset performance* management



# Predictive Asset Optimization with AVEVA

## PI Vision & Asset Framework

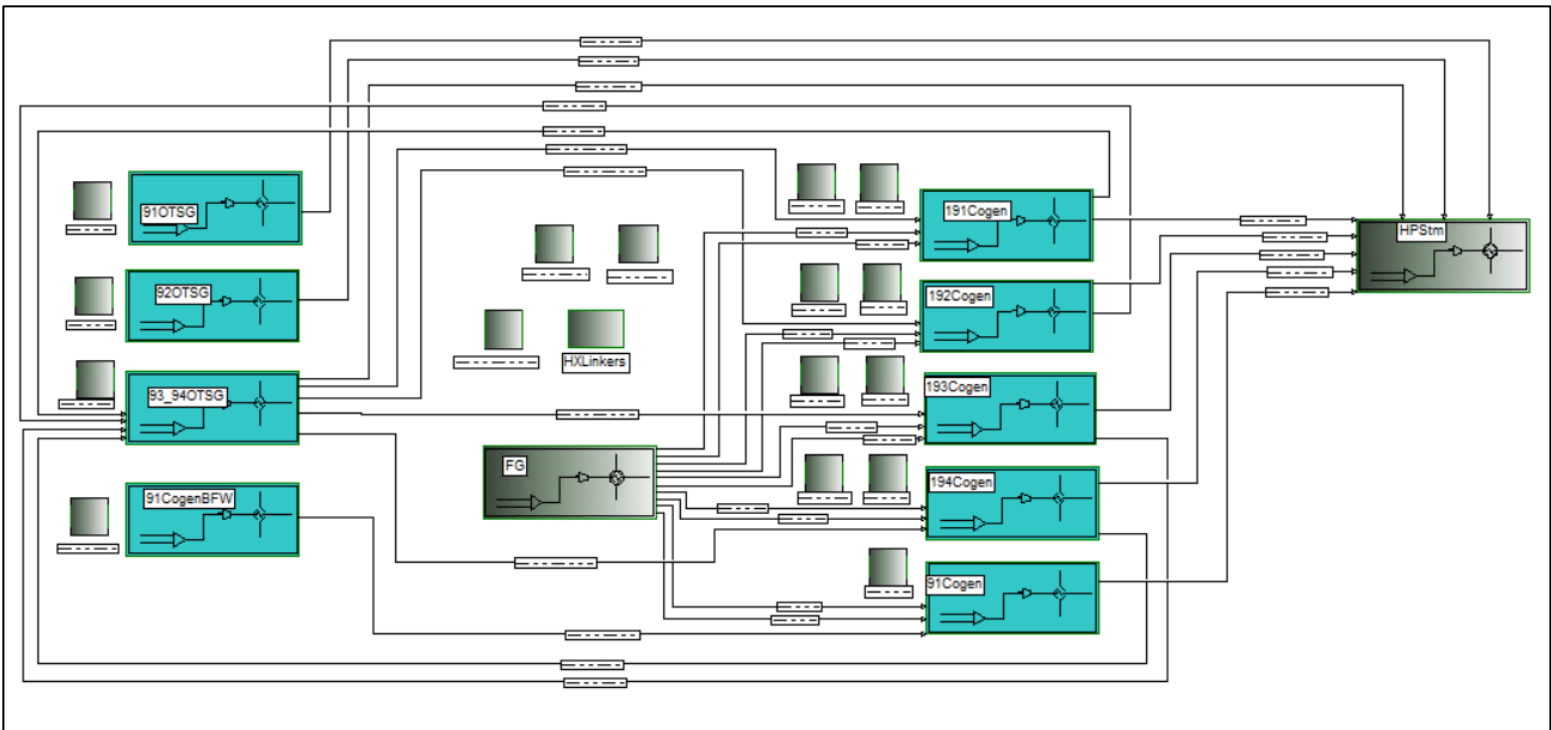
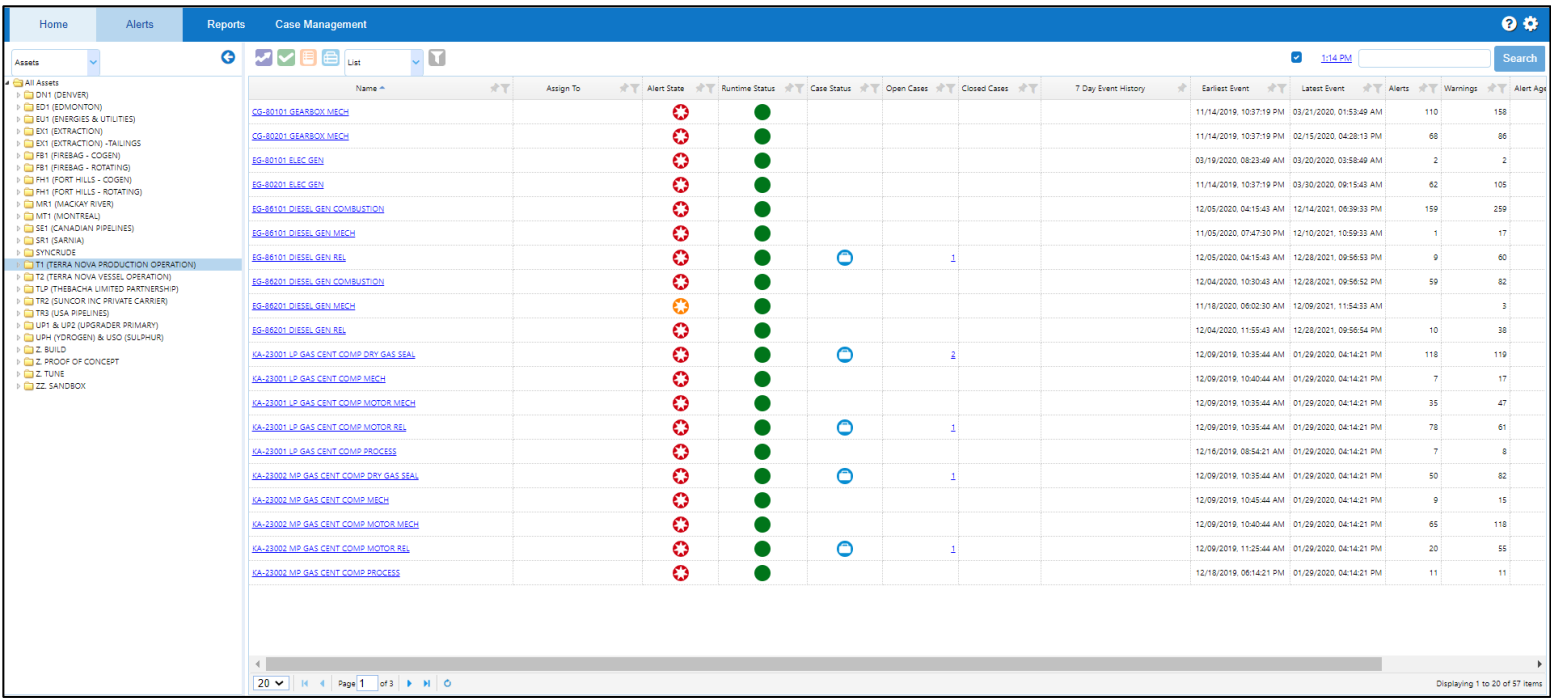
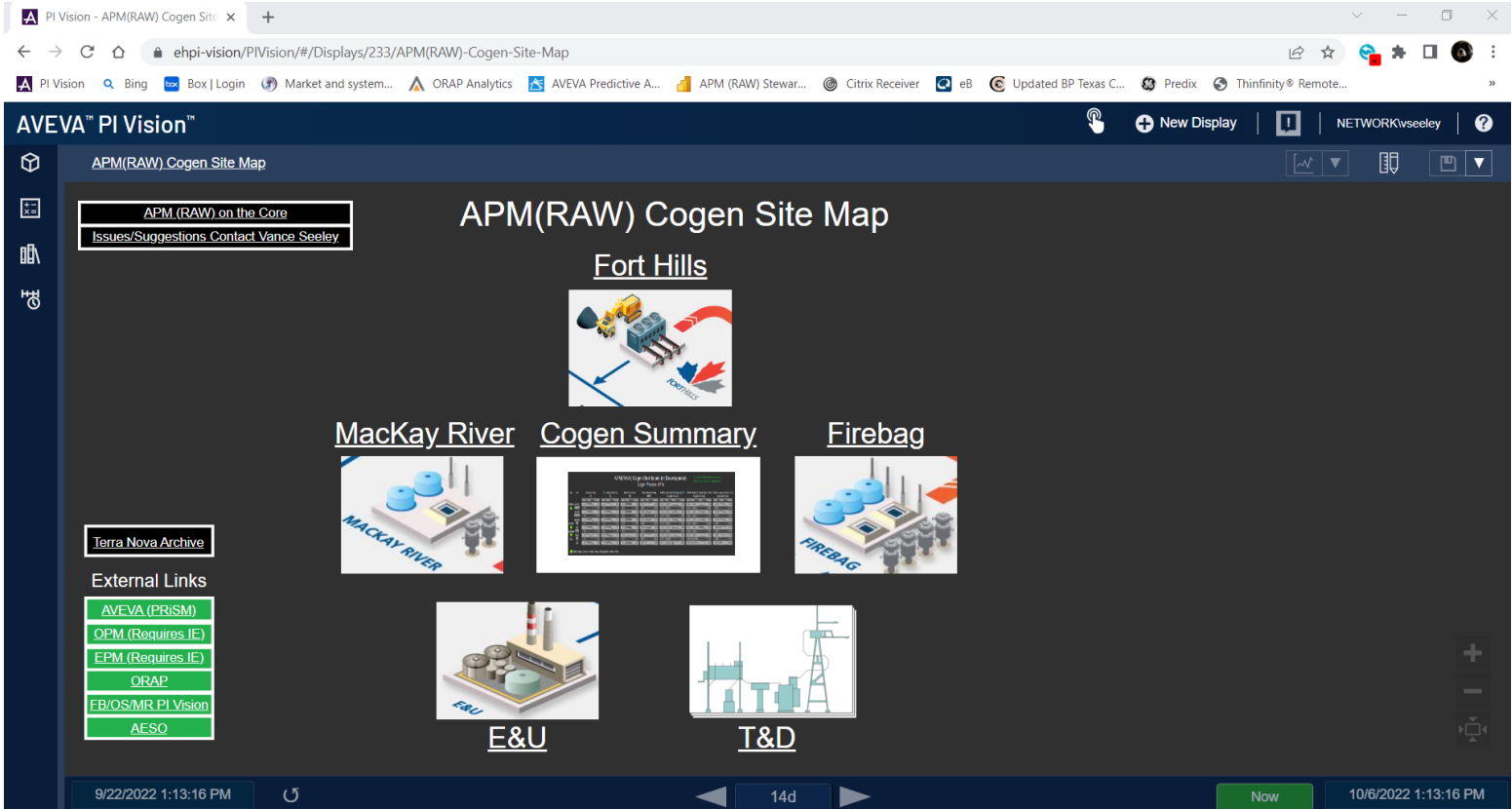
- Digital Twin with AF Templates
- Provides dashboards & Adhoc Analysis
- KPI Calculated in Real Time

## AVEVA Predictive Analytics (PRiSM)

- Anomaly Detection with Machine Learning
- Improve Reliability and Reduce Maintenance

## AVEVA Process Optimizer (ROMeo)

- Process Simulation and Optimization
- Equipment Condition Monitoring
- Soft Sensors







# **Benchmarking Gas Turbine Performance with Predictive Analytics**

# Problem Statement

## Gas Turbine Performance Degradation

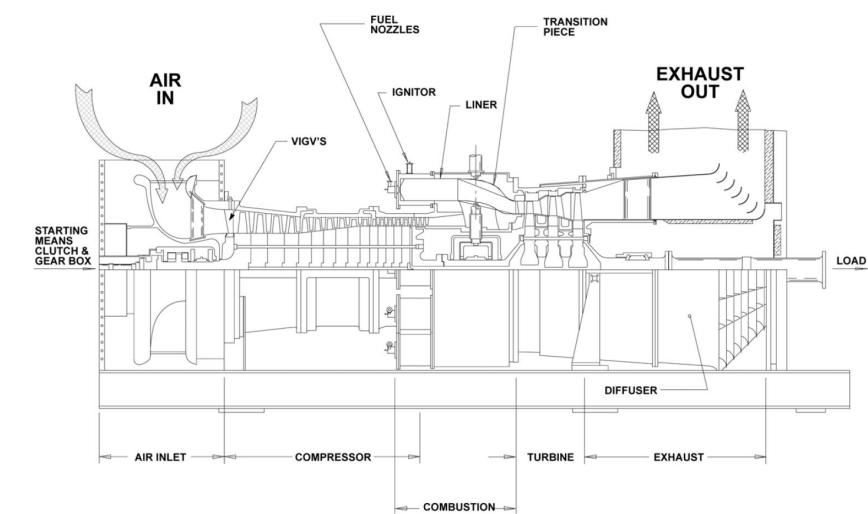
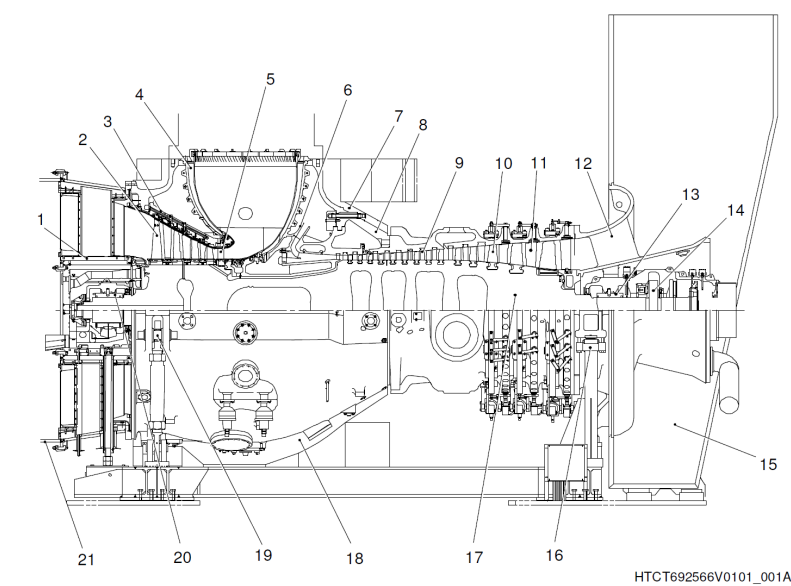


Figure 3. Major Sections of the MS-7001 Gas Turbine Assembly.



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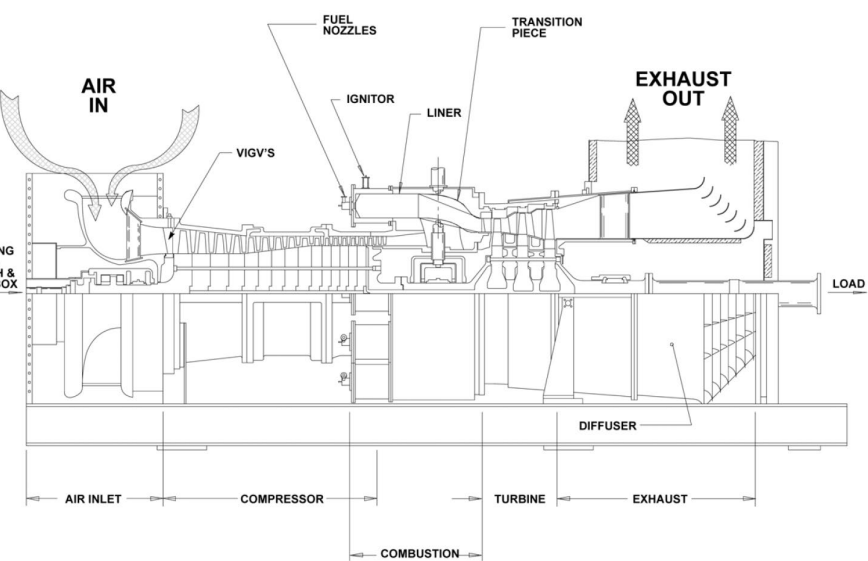


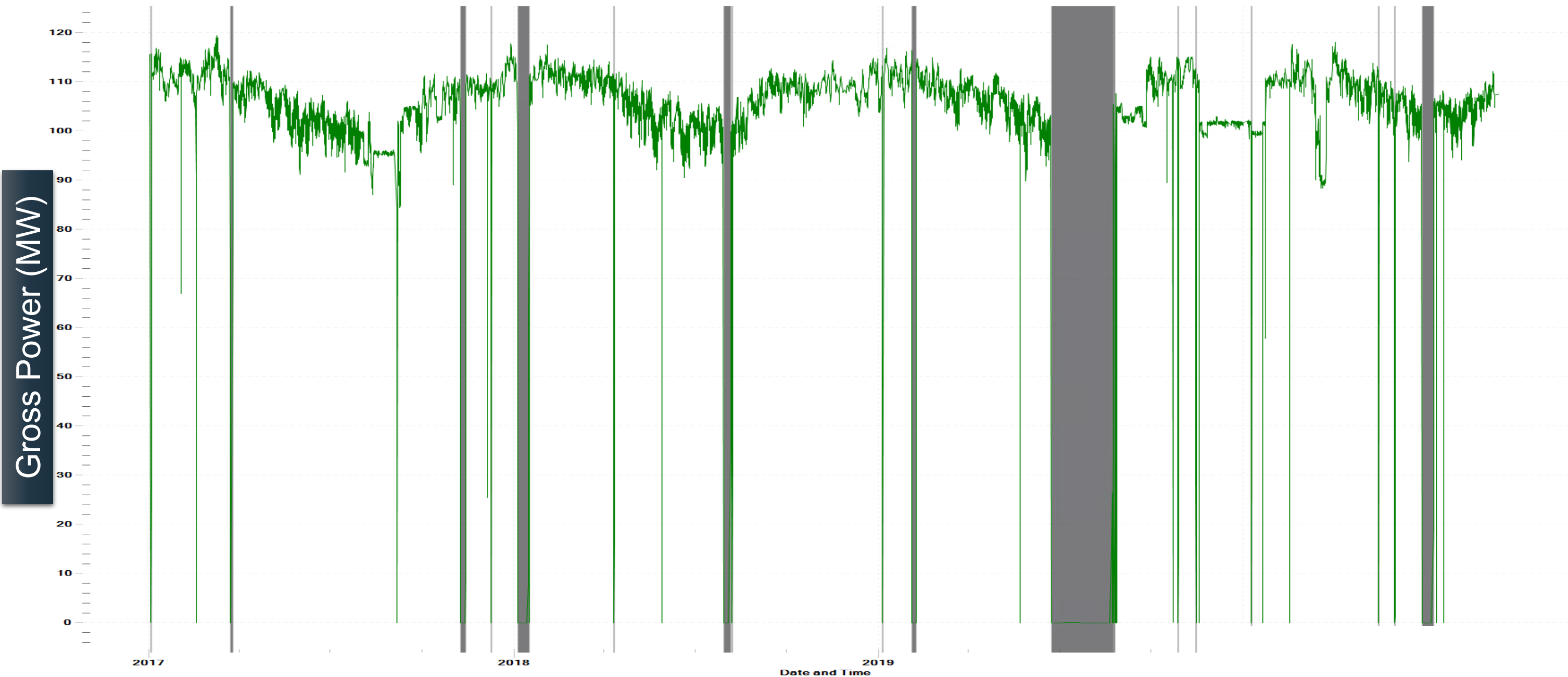
Figure 3. Major Sections of the MS-7001 Gas Turbine Assembly.

*Firebag GT7 Frame 7 GT*  
*PGT: 2007*

*E&U Frame 11 GT*  
*GT5 PGT: 2000*  
*GT6 PGT: 2000*

*Fort Hills Frame 7 GT*  
*GT 1 PGT: 2017*  
*GT 2 PGT: 2017*

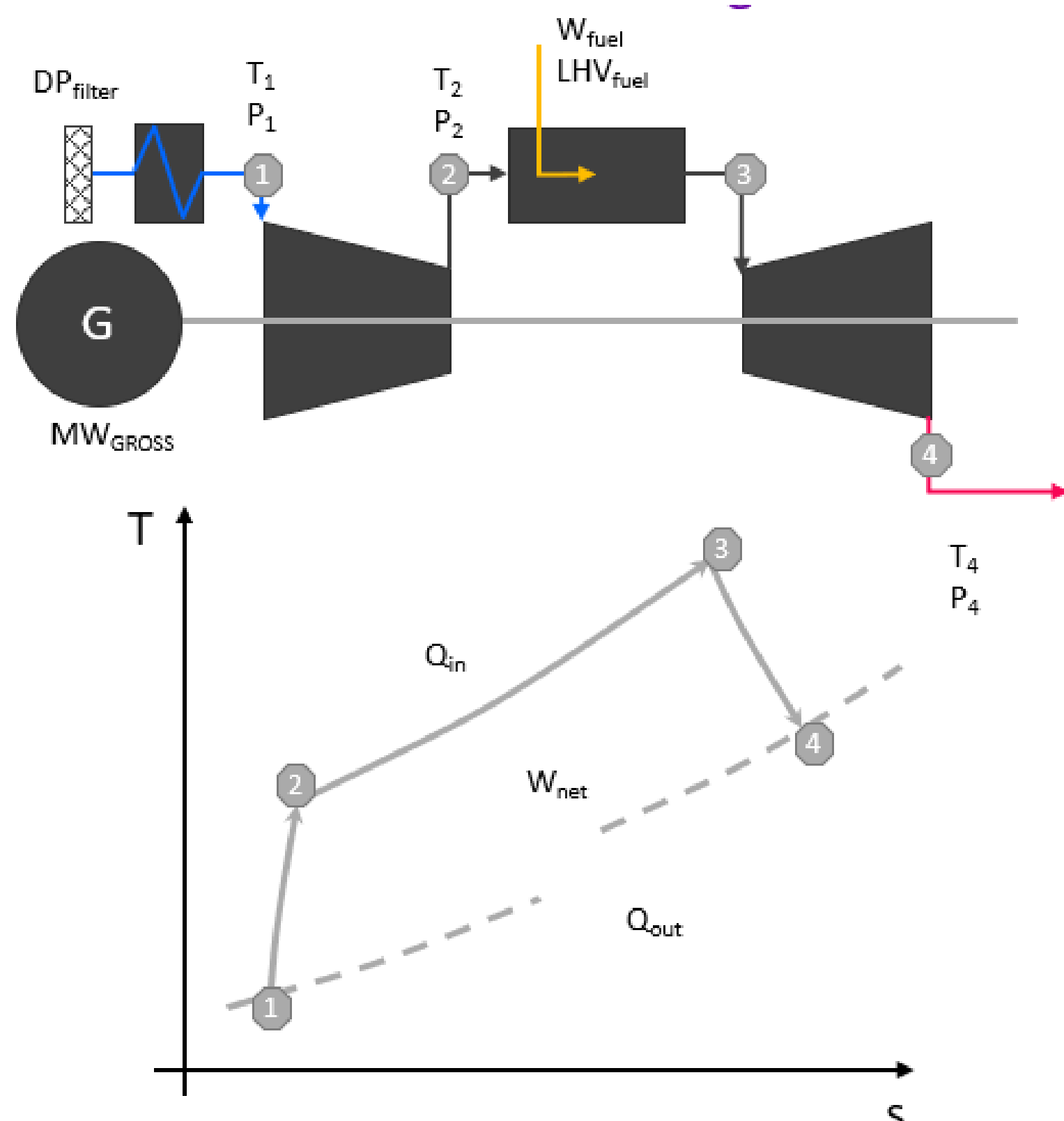
- Degradation monitoring of gas turbine performance allows Suncor to guide operational time and risk based decisions about routine or emergency maintenance and evaluate the performance / economic benefit of maintenance and upgrades once it is completed.
- Isolation of degradation is challenging due to continuous and large operating point changes; both external (ambient pressure, temperature and humidity) and imposed (load point and inlet heating for example).
- We want a combined first principles and machine learning PAO approach to be able to give accurate measurement of performance degradation.





# Gas Turbine Degradation

## First Principles Based KPIs



- ⌚ Power Output
- ⌚ Heat Rate
- ⌚ Compressor Efficiency
- ⌚ Compressor Pressure Ratio
- ⌚ Turbine Efficiency
- ⌚ Exhaust Temperature

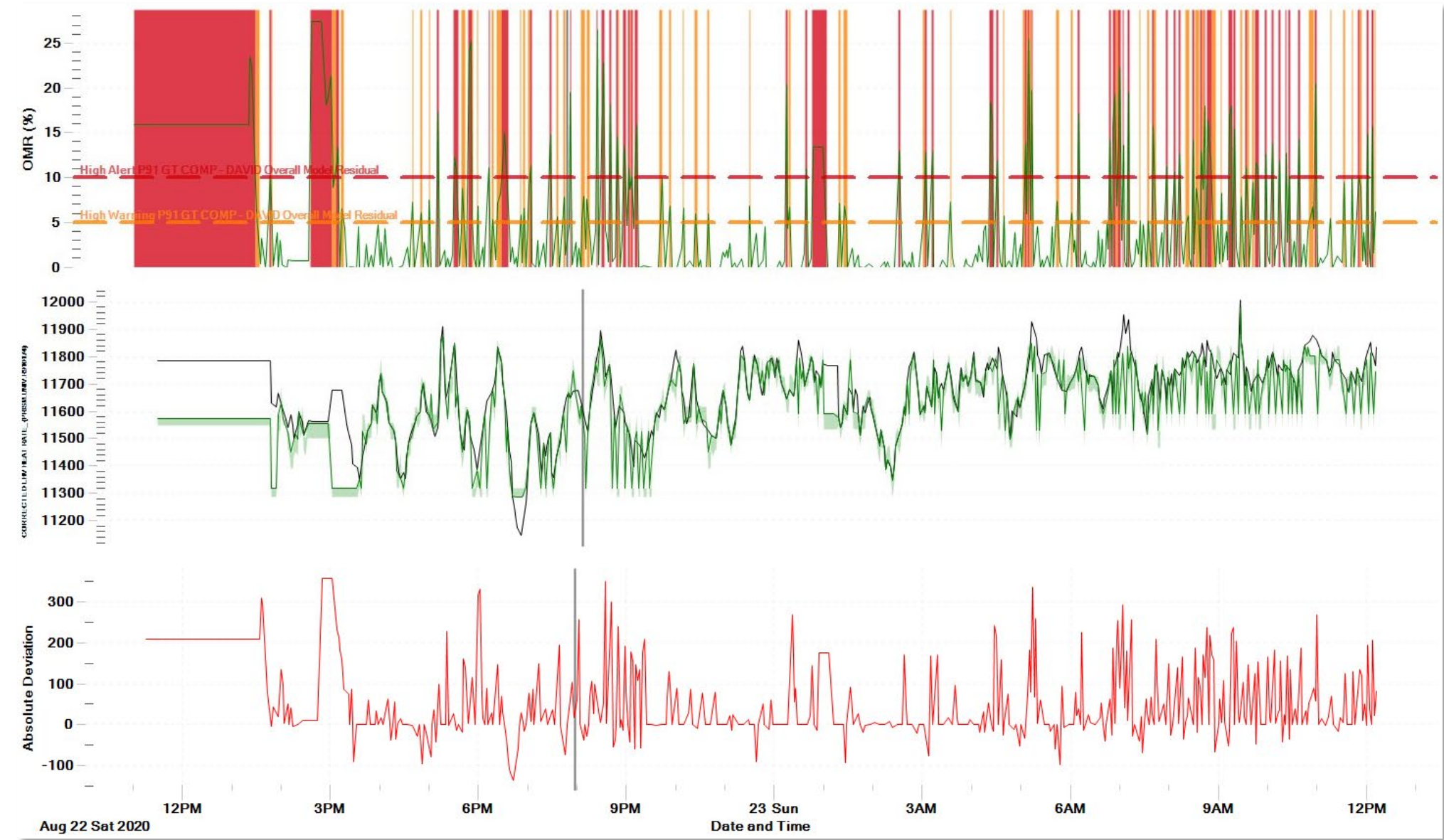
Challenge is to configure models which measure degradation through changes in KPIs in isolation of day to day operating point changes

## Degradation Mechanisms

- Air Inlet Degradation:
  - ✂ Filter blockage
  - ✂ Air leakage
- Compressor degradation:
  - ✂ Fouling
  - ✂ Guide vane position error
  - ✂ Blade erosion
  - ✂ Tip rubs / clearance
- Combustion section degradation:
  - ✂ Fuel nozzle plugging or wear
  - ✂ Combustion instability
  - ✂ Combustion liner fatigue cracking
- Turbine section degradation:
  - ✂ Blade erosion
  - ✂ Seal degradation
  - ✂ Blade tip rubs
  - ✂ Deposits

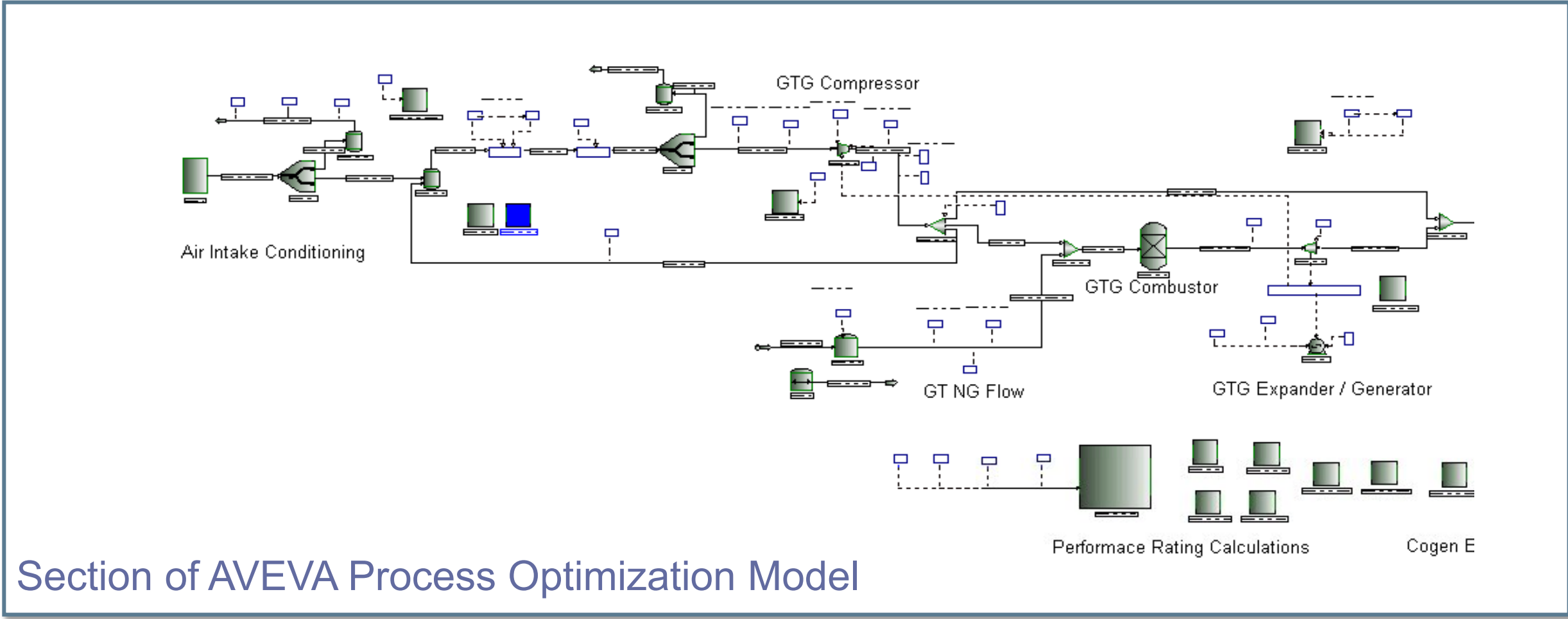
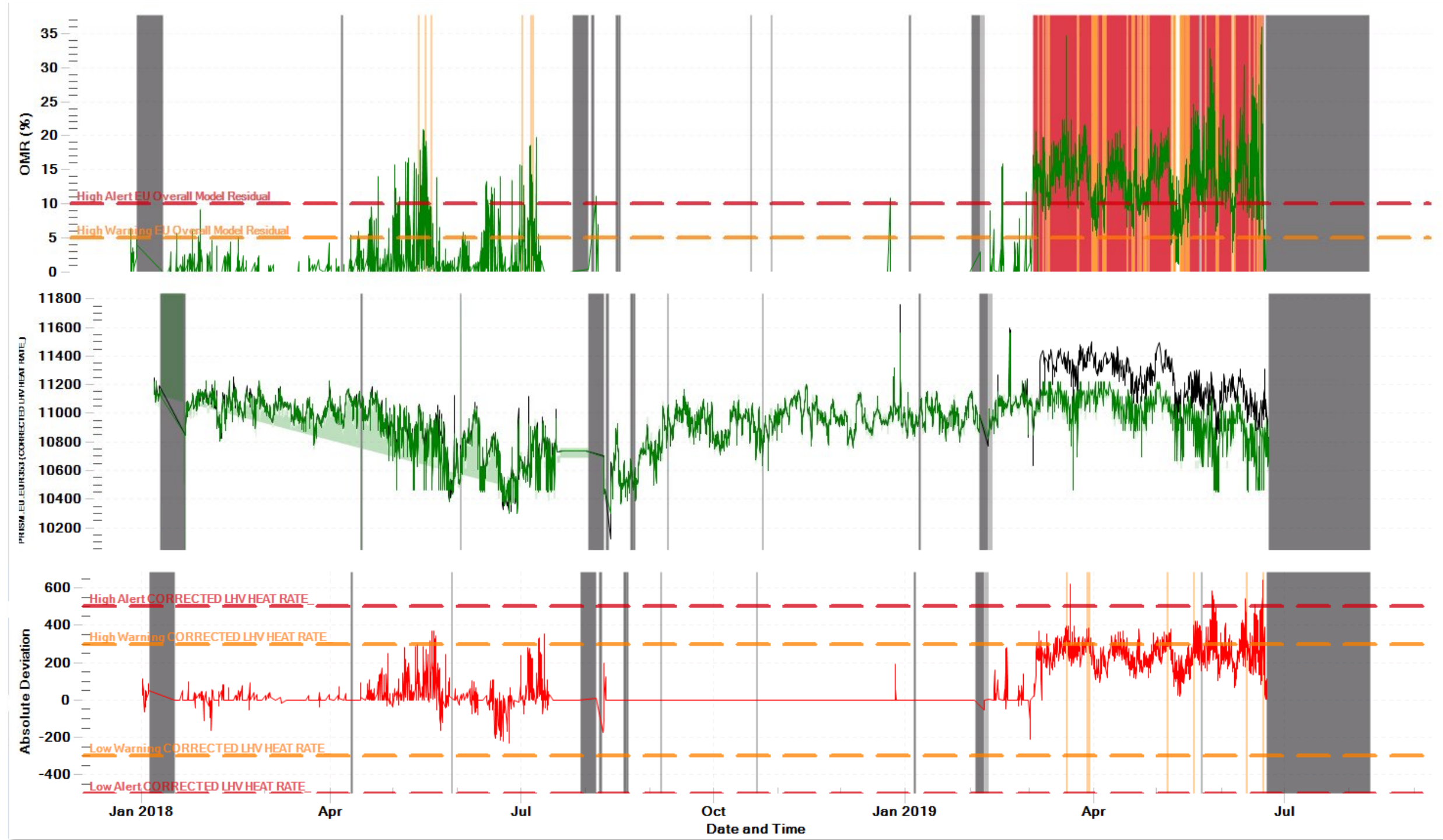
# Model Baseline

Corrected Heat Rate (kJ/kWh)



- First attempt had limited success:
    - Noisy results
    - Training data self-polluted by degradation
    - Sometimes frustrated by bad instruments
    - Model tolerance masks small changes in the data
- **Conclusion: Better approach needed!**

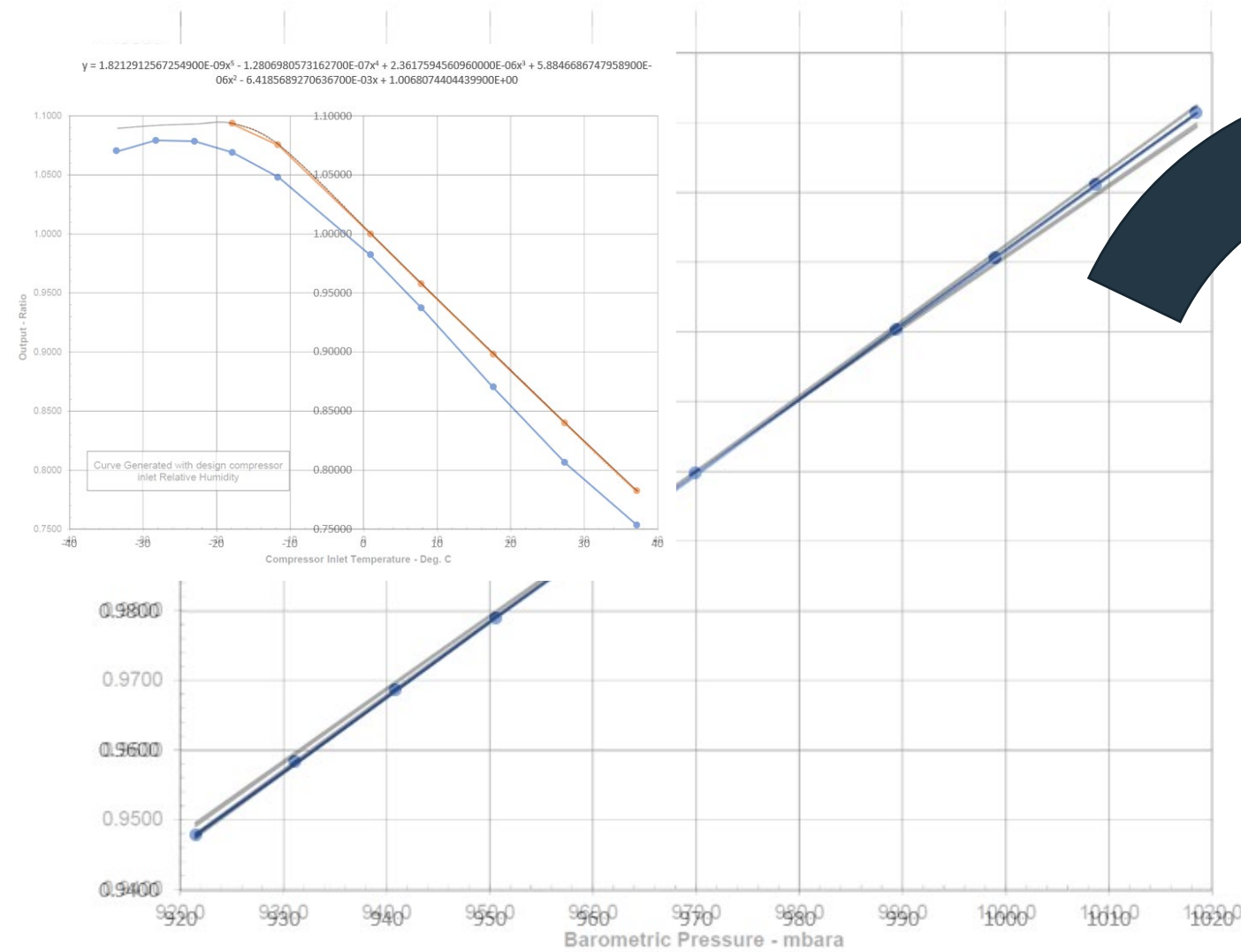
Corrected Heat Rate (kJ/kWh)



Section of AVEVA Process Optimization Model



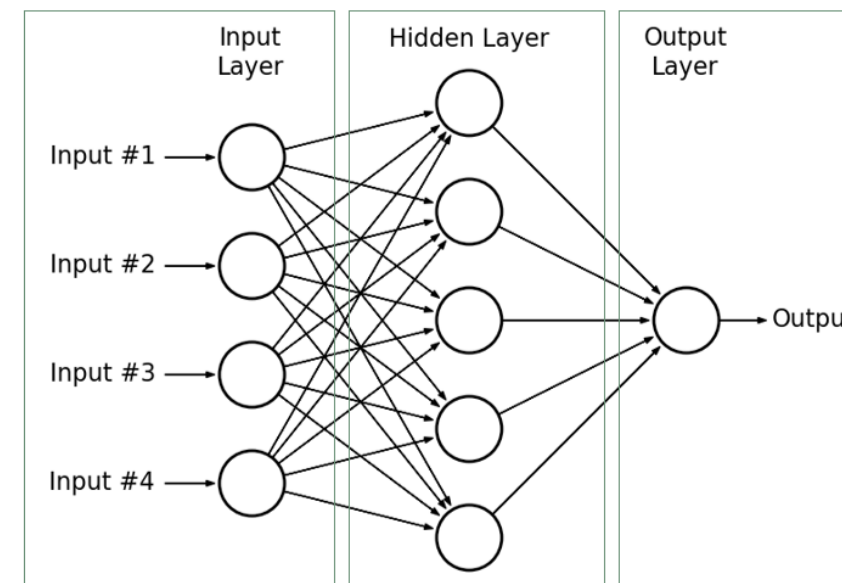
# PAO High Dynamic Range Model: Rated Performance Approach



# OEM PERFORMANCE CURVES / CURVE FITS PGT REPORT

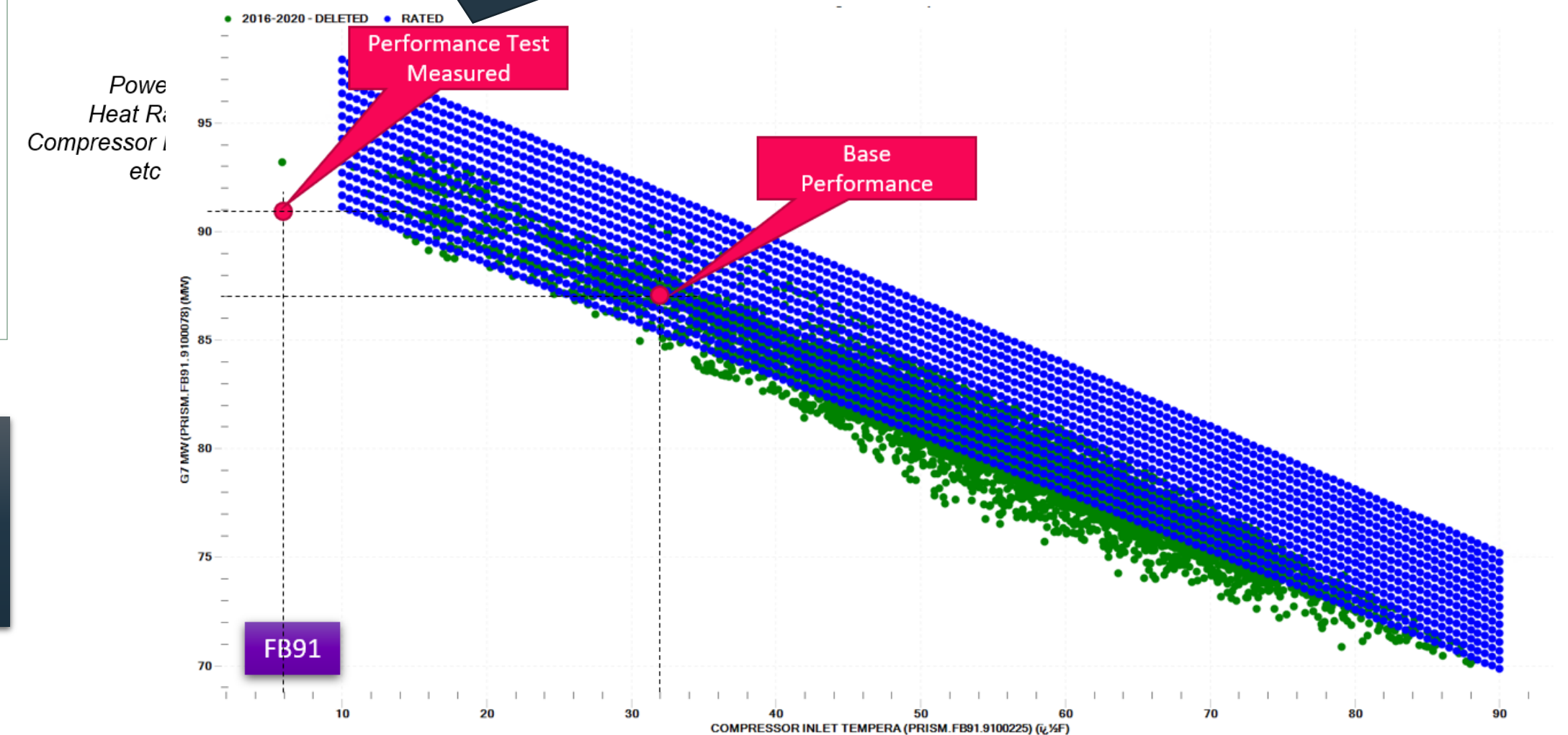
Compressor Inlet Temperature  
Ambient Pressure  
Humidity

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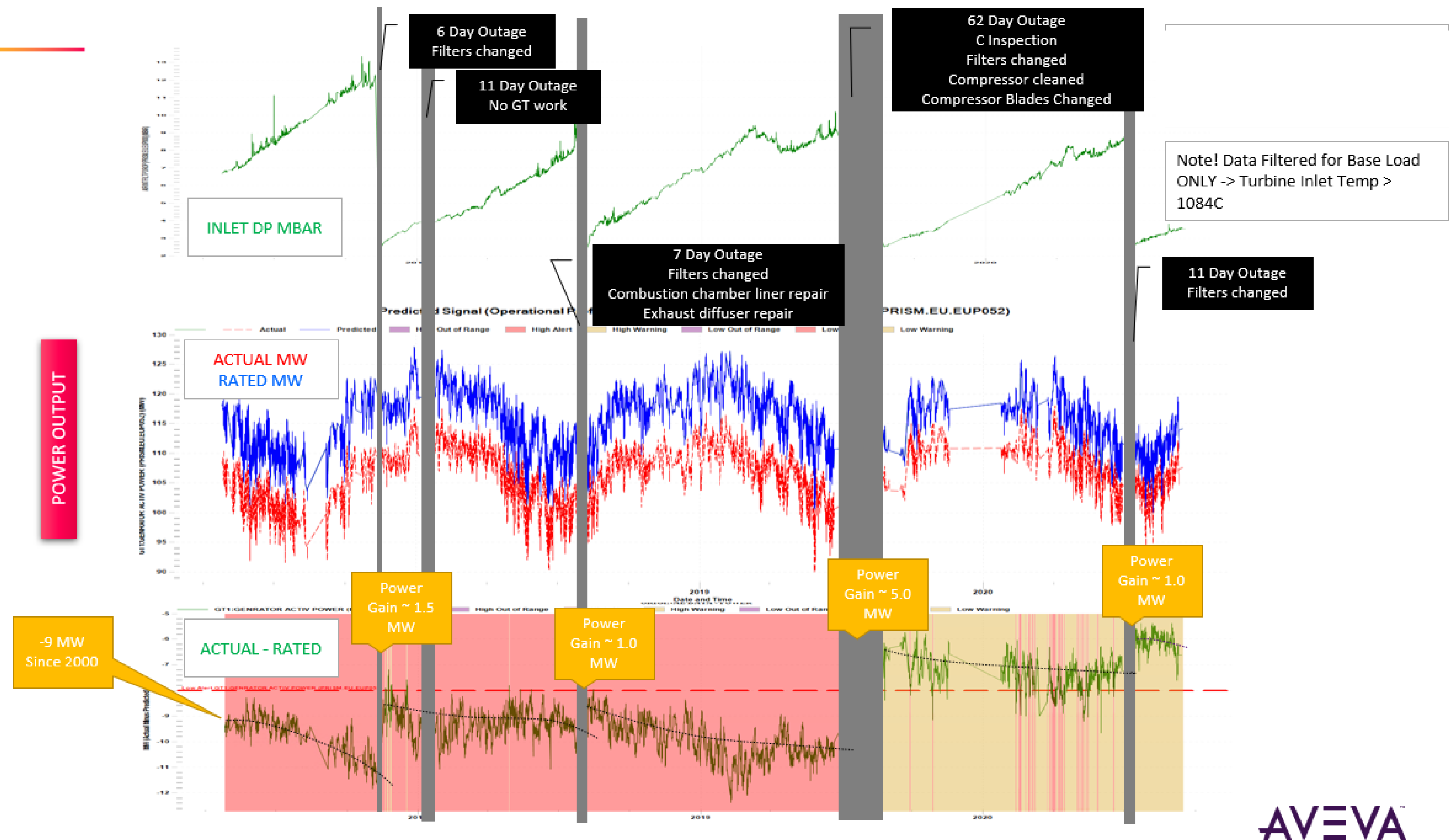
*Mathematical description of each operational mode*

# SURROGATE RATED PERFORMANCE DATA SET AND MODEL TRAINING



## RATED PERFORMANCE PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS MODEL

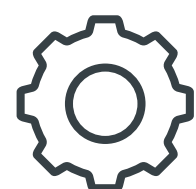
# Results



- Rated Performance approach gives insights into performance degradation which was not possible via traditional anomaly detection Predictive Analytics.
- The traditional approach was unable to convincingly identify degradation behaviour whereas the Rated Performance Approach reveals changes in performance, distinct from operating point changes.







## Challenge

20,500 critical assets across 14 sites including Oil Sands, Downstream, ETF, E&P and Pipelines



## Solution

SUNCOR APM(RAW) Program leveraging AVEVA Predictive Asset Optimization Simulation + Machine Learning + Data Contextualization & Visualization



## Benefits

- Lower Risk** – Detect issues early with greater clarity
- Improved Performance** – Assess and quantify the impact of issues
- Optimized Maintenance Strategy** – forecast to determine urgency / Intervention window
- Maximized Availability and Profitability** – Maximize payback on maintenance investment

# Questions?





# Thank you

