

AI technologies towards autonomous accelerator operation

I. Agapov, 4.12.2020, ML round table at DESY

Objectives

- Ever more demanding stability, reliability and performance goals
- More challenging facilities with more control parameters (PETRA IV)
- Higher photon fluxes -> higher throughput -> need more automatic sample change/wavelength change/beamline setup etc.
- Remote and autonomous operation as the goal for the near future
- Facing several scientific and engineering challenges
 - Software stack
 - Data management
 - Control algorithms
 - Test environments and real-time system testing



Past



Present



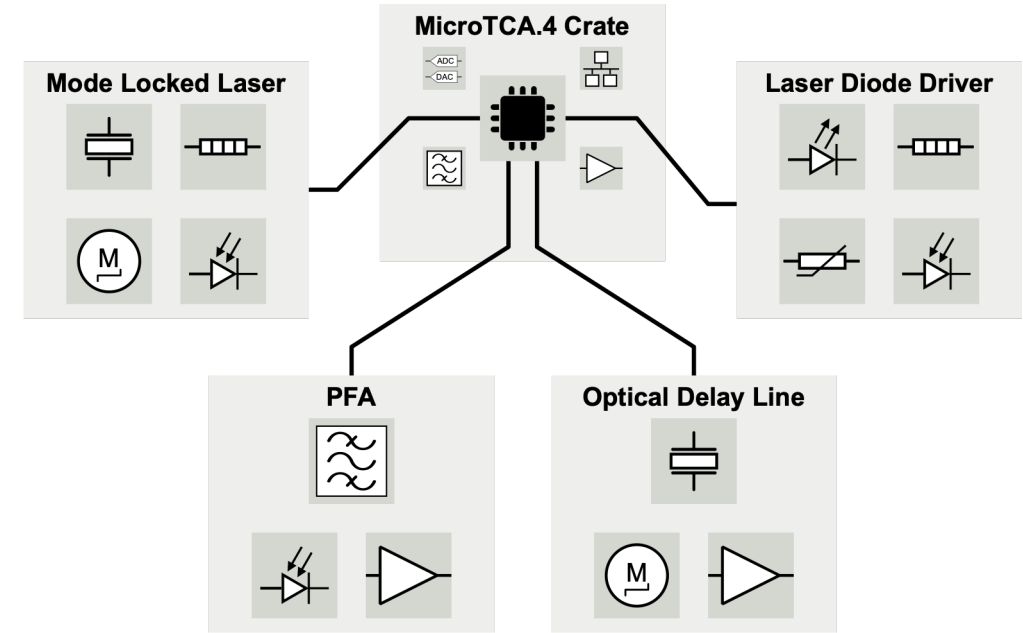
Future

European XFEL: Optical synchronization system

Data management

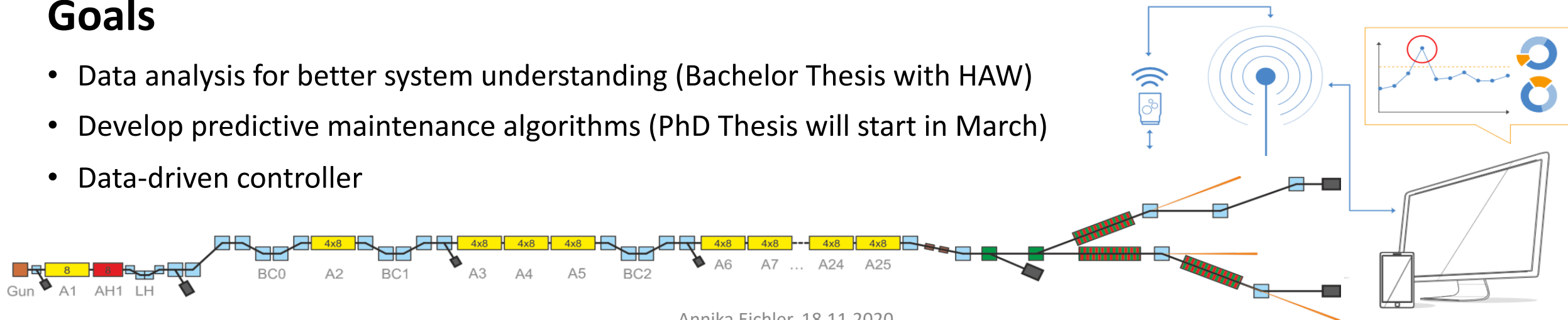
Data mining and data analytics

- Build a complete long-term data acquisition system for the optical synchronization system (PHD Thesis of Maximilian Schütte, MSK)
- Data scope:
 - 50'000+ data channels (configuration + monitoring),
 - In total > 150 MB/s data to data acquisition system
→ Data reduction necessary (to meet 100 TB/y)
 - ~ 1% of the European XFEL



Goals

- Data analysis for better system understanding (Bachelor Thesis with HAW)
- Develop predictive maintenance algorithms (PhD Thesis will start in March)
- Data-driven controller

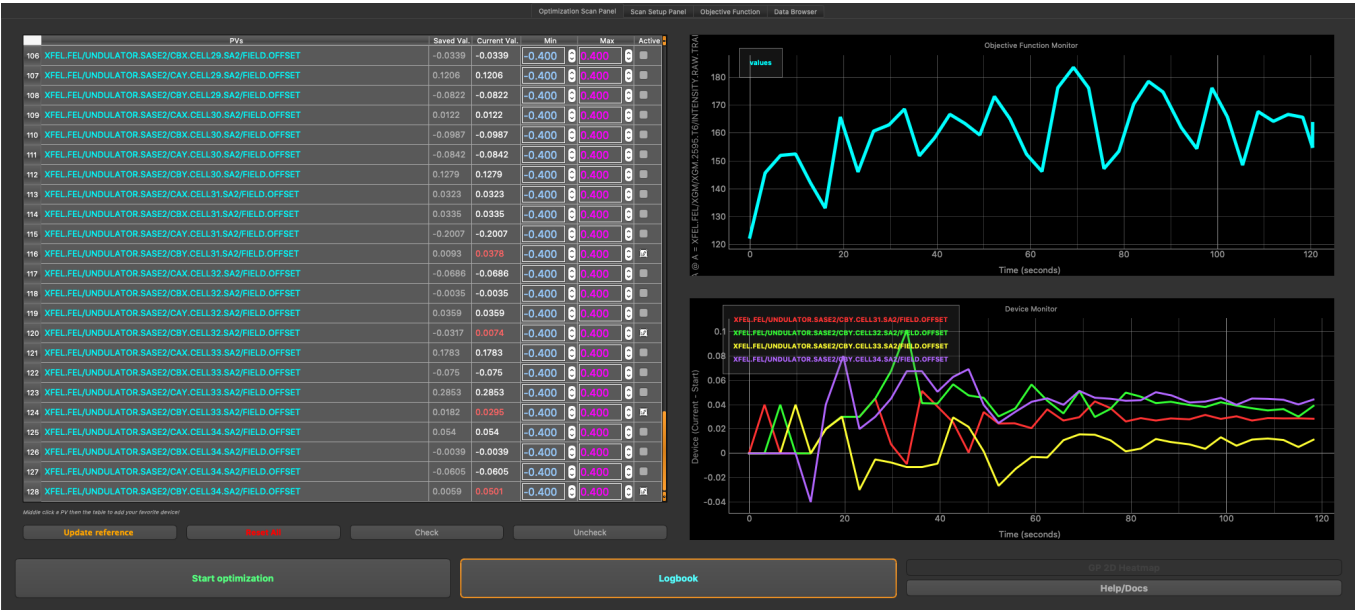
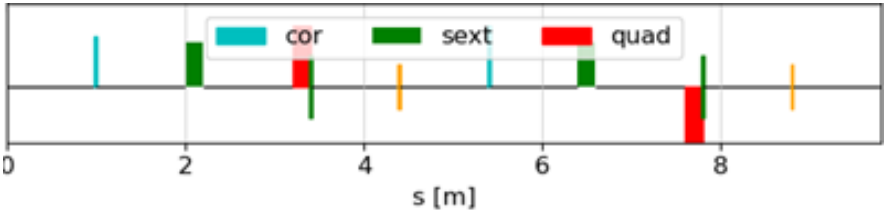
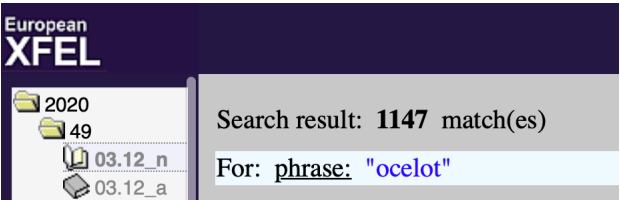


Reinforcement learning for optimization

Control

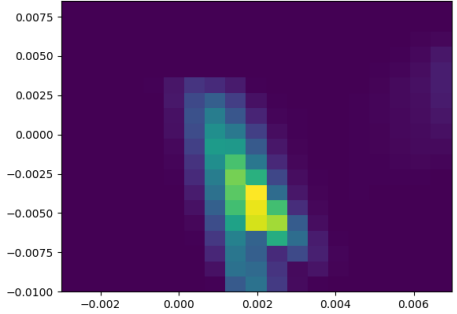
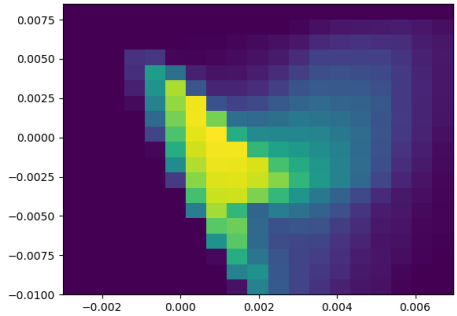
Benchmark problem: transmission through a beamline with aperture and non-linear optics

- nonlinear response
- random realization
- Toy model of accelerator tuning – based on experience of FEL tuning

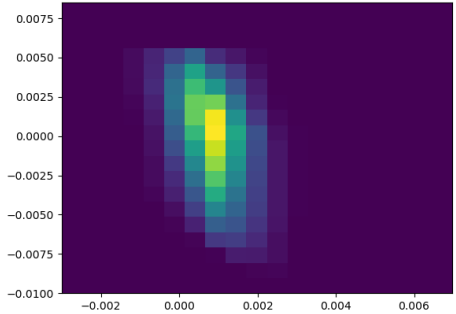
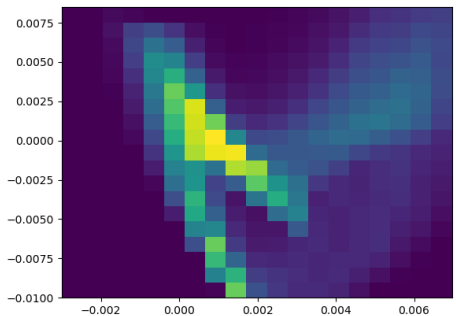


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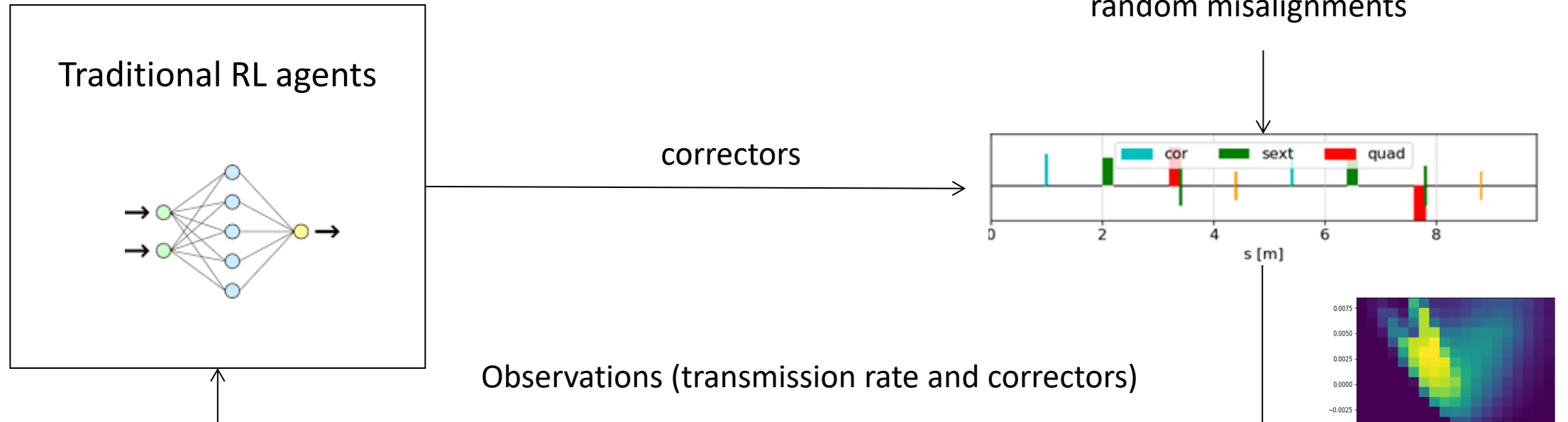


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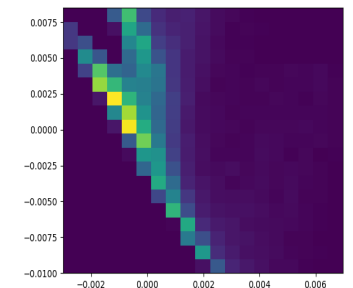
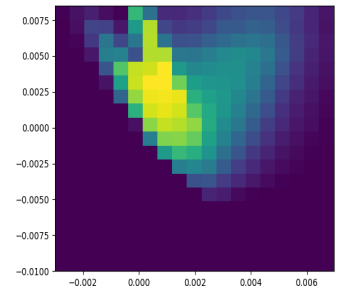
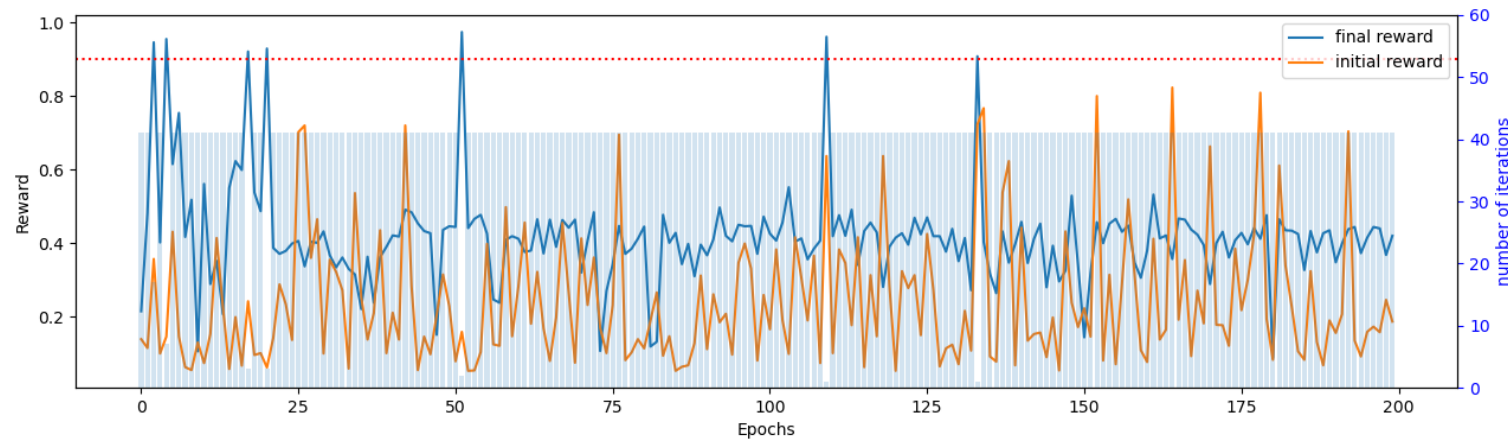
RL for control

Control

NN is trained with historical data and learns an optimal policy



c/o A. Ivanov (MPY)



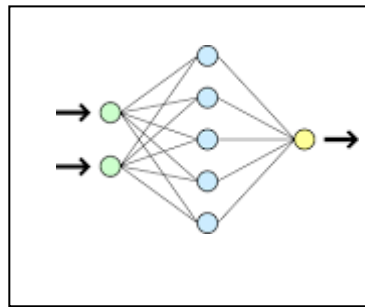
RL for control enhanced by physics-based NN

Incorporate a priori knowledge in form of trainable NN

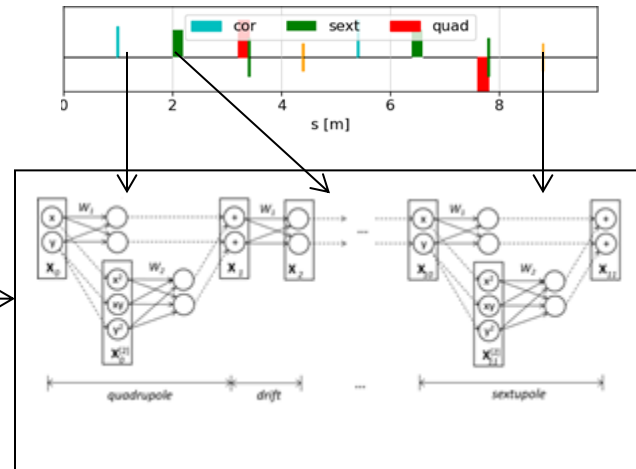
Control

trained model: unknown magnets, unknown alignment

RL agents
with traditional NN

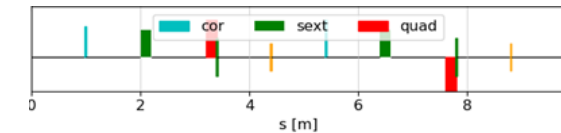


hidden
variables



correctors

Simulation model

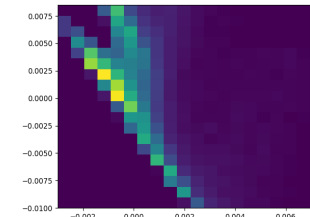
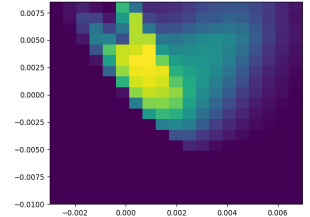
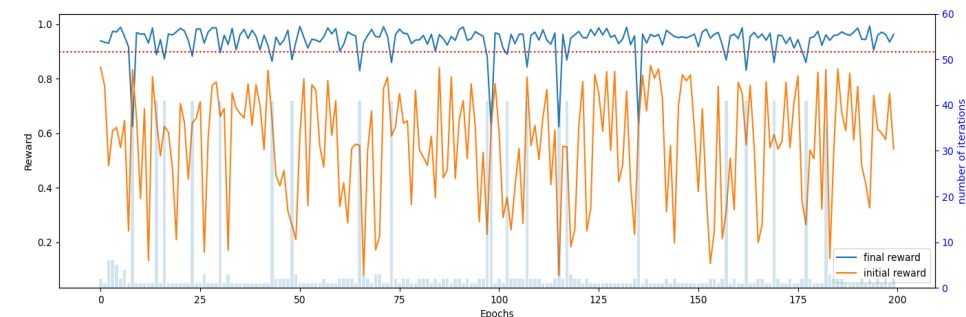


observations

uncertainties

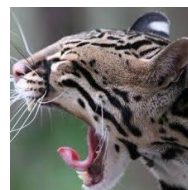
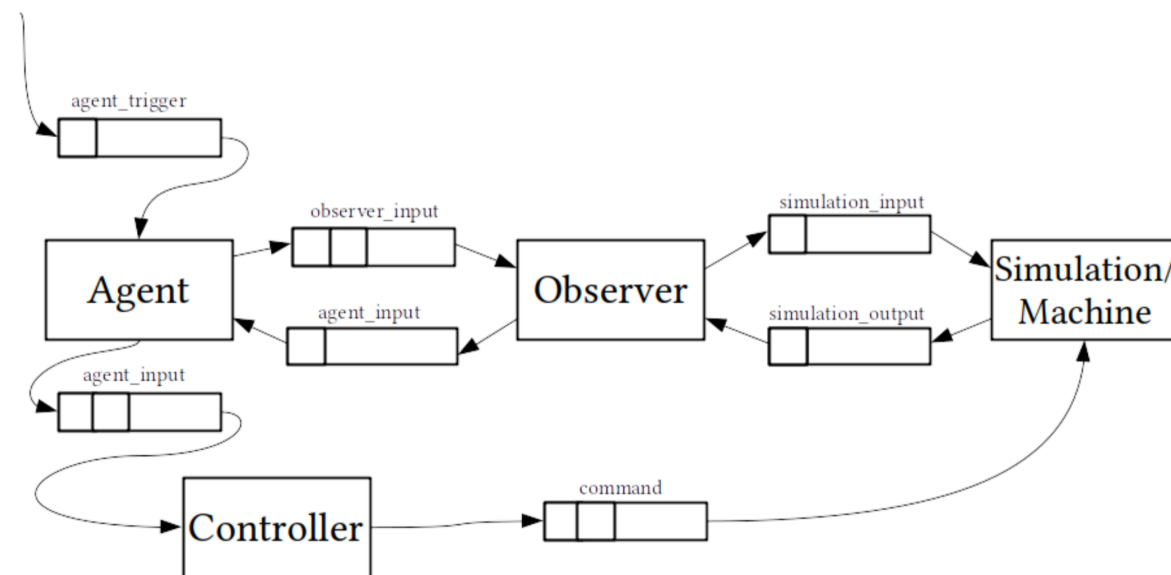
known model variations

For DNN for accelerator control see Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams **23**, 074601
RL paper in preparation



Notification pipeline and gym environment

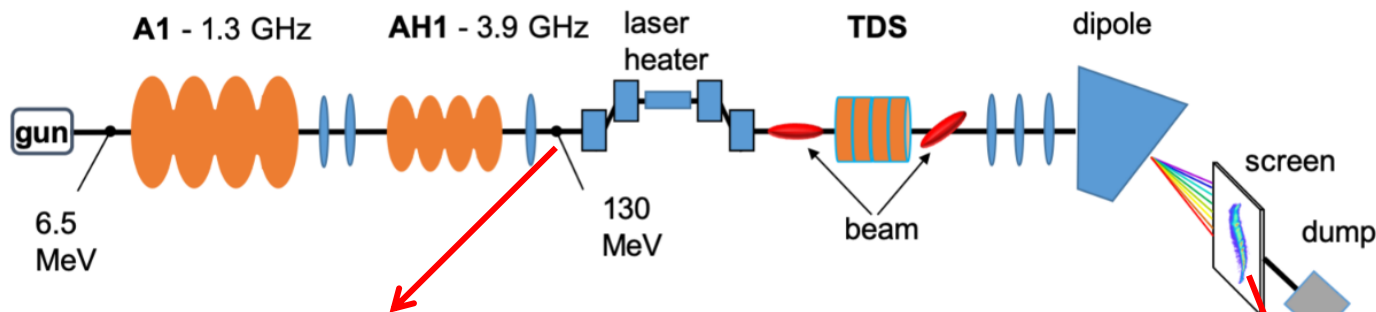
- Kafka-based notification framework
- Simulation environments
- Common interfaces for optimization and control agents



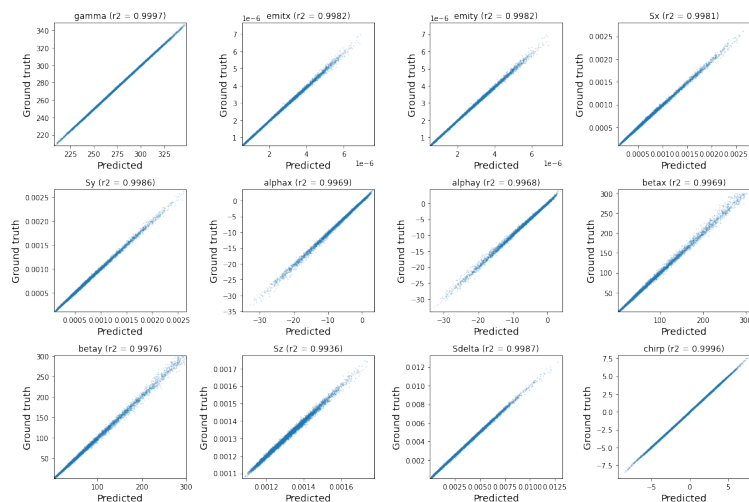
c/o M. Boese (MPY)

Multi-task learning at the injector of European XFEL (Jun Zhu / MSK)

Modeling/test environments

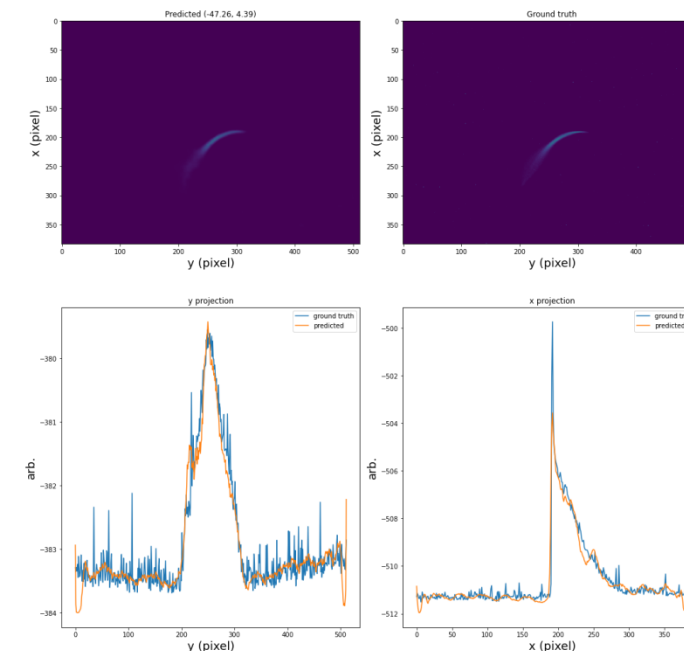


Prediction result from a **surrogate model** using simulated data



We have experimentally demonstrated using machine parameters to predict the image on a screen (**virtual diagnostic** - longitudinal phase-space of e-beam)

J. Zhu, Y. Chen, S. Tomin, et. al.



- **Surrogate model** speeds up simulation by several orders of magnitude, which can be used for online algorithm development and benchmark, starting point generation for online optimization, etc.
- **Virtual diagnostic** can be a good complement for disruptive diagnostics during operation.

Helmholtz AI project: Autonomous Accelerator

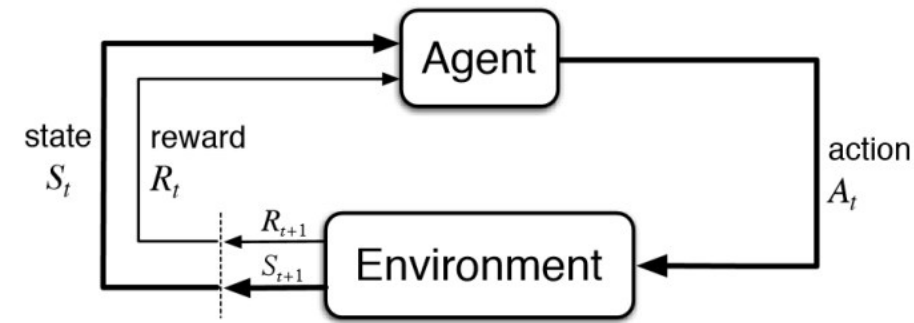
Real-time data driven feedback control

- Helmholtz Incubator Information and Data Science (Annika Eichler, MSK)
- ARES as test case (Florian Burkart, MPY1)
- Collaboration with KIT (FLUTE)
- Starts now!

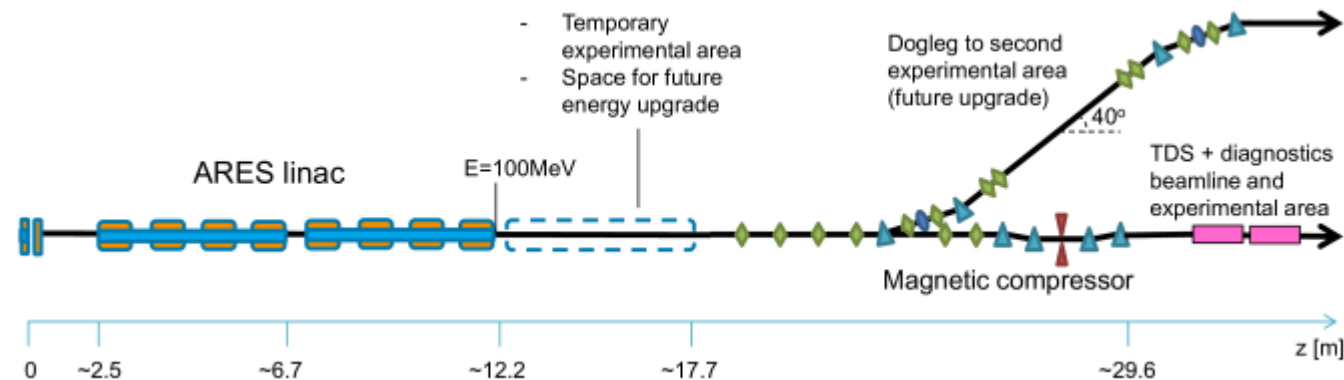
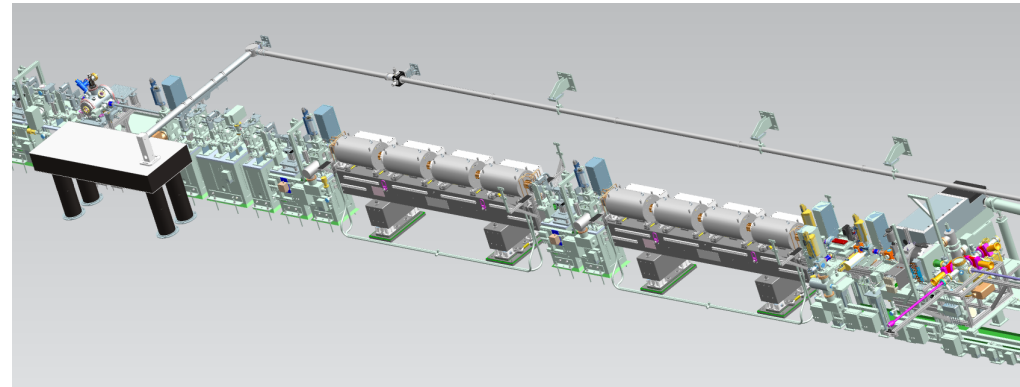
Goals

- Bring Reinforcement Learning to accelerator control
- Standardized interface (simulations + facilities)
- Proof of principle: Longitudinal phase-space control
- Next step:
 - Autonomous start up (from predefined fault)

tests



Sutton: Reinforcement Learning, an introduction



Annika Eichler, 18.11.2020

ARES, courtesy Florian Burkart

Towards autonomous accelerator

Key ingredients:

- Coherent effort across several M Groups
- Common and growing software stack
- Experimental programme at ARES, XFEL, and PETRA
- External collaborations

