

## ID DATAPRED

MACHINE LEARNING FOR LOGISTICS AND RETAIL



Machine learning, logistics and retail

# Diagnosing market trends and testing management strategies are critical

- Unexpected changes in consumer behavior and logistics requirements are a major risk
- Delivering value based on data analysis requires sophistication





# Existing optimisation tools don't leverage internal and external data very well...



- The raw (as opposed to pre-processed)
  data they use doesn't capture your
  expertise
- Their methodological assumptions are often simplistic
- They don't tell you which timeframes and variables really matter
- Their overfitting tendency weakens their predictive power



## ...with potentially dire consequences

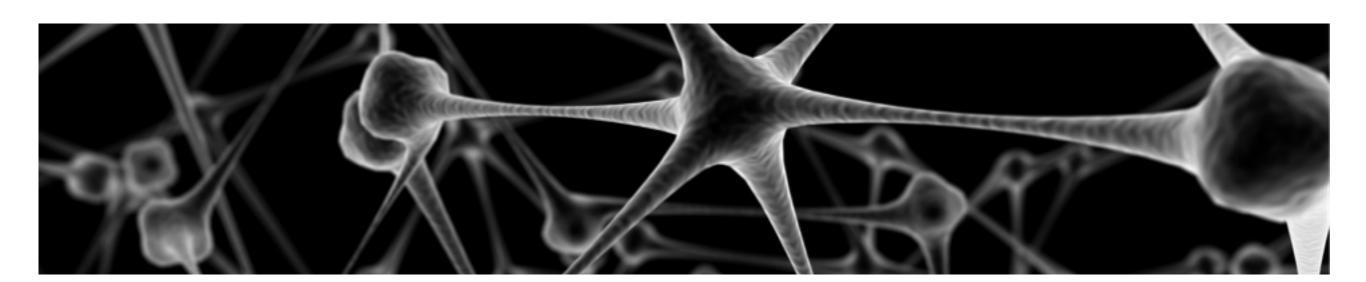
- Unstable management rules based on unreliable forecasts
- Bad assessment of demand and supply chain risk
- Suboptimal procurement and inventory management decisions
- Vicious circle of inadequate models and fallacious interpretations





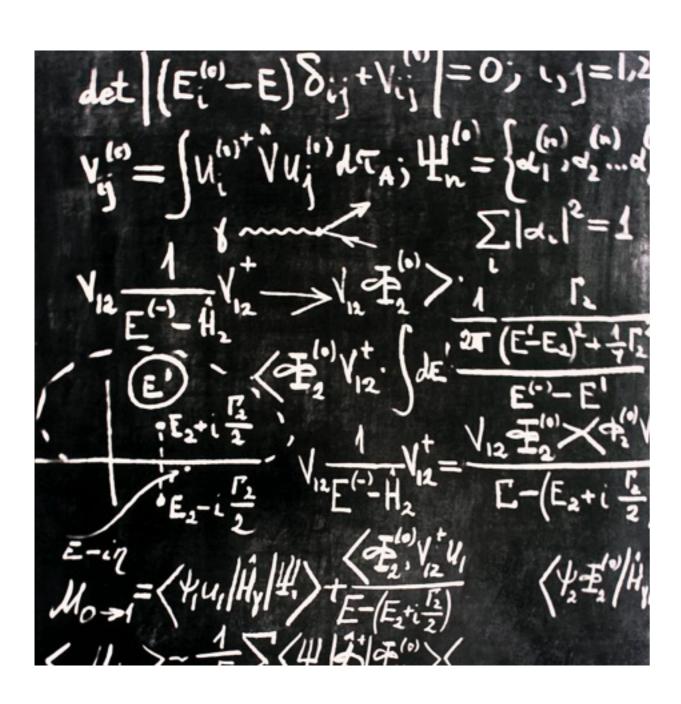
## Machine learning provides efficient answers to these problems

- Automated model construction (no assumptions)
- Greater analytical and predictive power
- Increased efficiency in big data conditions
- Models that are more flexible and easier to interpret



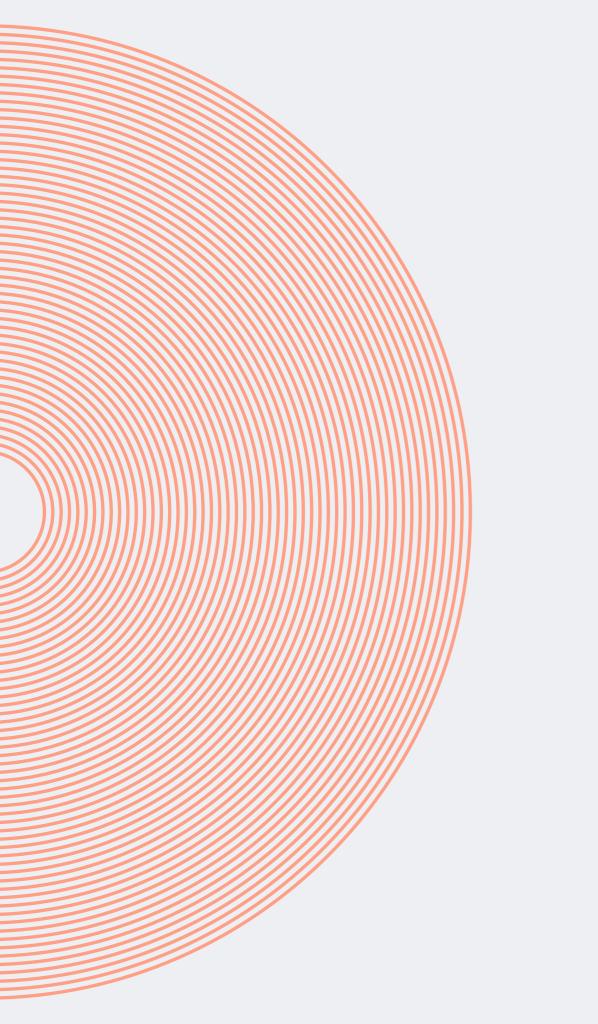


# Scientific specificities of real-time machine learning



- The features generated when representing time series are homogeneous, interpretable, robust and multi-scale
- Overfitting is controlled during the generation of models
- Data snooping is controlled during the backtesting of management rules
- The aggregation strategy for management rules is calibrated in real time





The Datapred solution

## Datapred overview

- Datapred is a solution for clarifying and testing marketing and supply chain management ideas, and includes:
  - A flexible system for representing consumer and logistics time series
  - A proprietary machine learning engine for generating models
  - A system for quickly adapting to market shifts
- Datapred is not a management robot.
   It is there to augment your industry expertise, not to replace it





## 10 years of academic and industrial research



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## Professional experience in market finance and business consulting

- Mahler Consulting Data analysis and statistical modeling advisory
- BNP Paribas Quantitative Analyst
   Development of trading strategies on futures market

#### Education as a data scientist

- Ecole Normale Supérieure de Cachan PhD, Machine Learning for Finance
- Université Paris VI MSc, Applied Probabilities
- Ecole des Mines de Paris BSc, Engineering



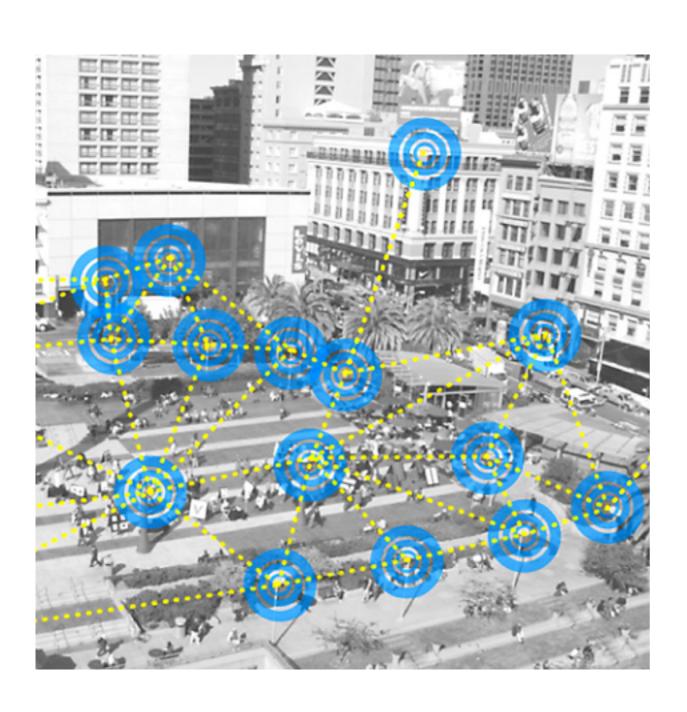
### Main benefits of Datapred

- Significant over-performance compared to existing solutions
- Resistance to sudden industry shifts
- Rigorous validation of your supply chain management strategies
- Identification of alternative strategies





## Ready for the Internet of Things



- The revolution is coming
  - 50 billion connected objects in 5 years<sup>1</sup>
- Examples in logistics and retail
  - Geolocation of parcels and transport fleets
  - Beacons on warehouse and store shelves
- Datapred is optimized for the IoT
  - Scalable for millions of real time data
  - Native integration of heterogeneous data

(1) Source: Ericsson



### Selected use cases in logistics

- Demand forecasting
  - Volumes
  - Price elasticities
- Inventory management
  - Forecasts
  - Distribution
- Transport planning
  - Risk management
  - Route optimization
- Predictive maintenance





### Selected use cases in retail



- Demand analysis
  - Demand forecasting
  - Prices elasticities
  - Store location
- Consumer behavior
  - Segmentation
  - Merchandising
- CRM
  - Recommendations
  - Promotions
  - e-commerce



# Case study Prediction of product inventory

#### • The client:

French pharmaceutical and personal care company

#### • The challenge:

 Predict monthly sales and inventory for a portfolio of 40 products

#### • The process:

- 2 weeks for formalizing the challenge and building the proof of concept
- 2 months for creating the analytical models and testing them on historical and real-time data

#### • The model:

- Predictive sales and inventory models for appropriate time windows
- Optimal combination of the predictive models

#### • The outcome:

- A cloud-based framework for analyzing product inventory data and generating inventory management rules
- +30% on forecast accuracy compared to previous strategy



### Simple and secure architecture

#### Secure data transfers

- Internal and external data (CSV) over secure connection
- No trade secrets disclosed

Client org.

Datapred server

#### Performance computing

- Computation of data representation, prediction models and P&L optimized model combinations
- In the cloud or on client premises

#### Daily deliverables

- Daily reports (CSV, Excel or online) over secure connection
- Include predictions, interpretation and P&L features



## Stages of a Datapred project

#### 1. Demonstration

- Test of Datapred on data and inventory management strategies chosen by the client
- Generation of efficient models in that environment
  - > 2-3 meetings Free

#### 2. Proof of concept

- Identification of efficient management rules based on the models
- Evaluation of their P&L potential
  - > 1 month Consulting fees

#### 3. Production

- Installation of the solution (e.g. data flows, hosting)
- Ongoing optimization of the models
  - > Ongoing Subscription





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