

Creating a human-centered society by making maximum use of Data and Artificial Intelligence

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NEC brings together and integrates technology and expertise to create the ICT-enabled society of tomorrow.

We collaborate closely with partners and customers around the world, orchestrating each project to ensure all its parts are fine-tuned to local needs.

Every day, our innovative solutions for society contribute to greater safety, security, efficiency and equality, and enable people to live brighter lives.

Social Issues

The Earth in 2050

World population growth

7 billion → 9 billion

Urban population growth

3.5 billion → 6.3 billion

Movement of things

×2.4

Demand for food

×1.7

Amount of waste

×2.1

Japan in 2050

Population decrease

120 million → 80 million

Decrease in labor force

Sustain social infrastructure

Safety of citizens

NEC's Social Value Creation

NEC
Safer Cities



NEC
Value Chain
Innovation



NEC the WISE

Smart Connectivity



Bio-IDiom

Cyber Security

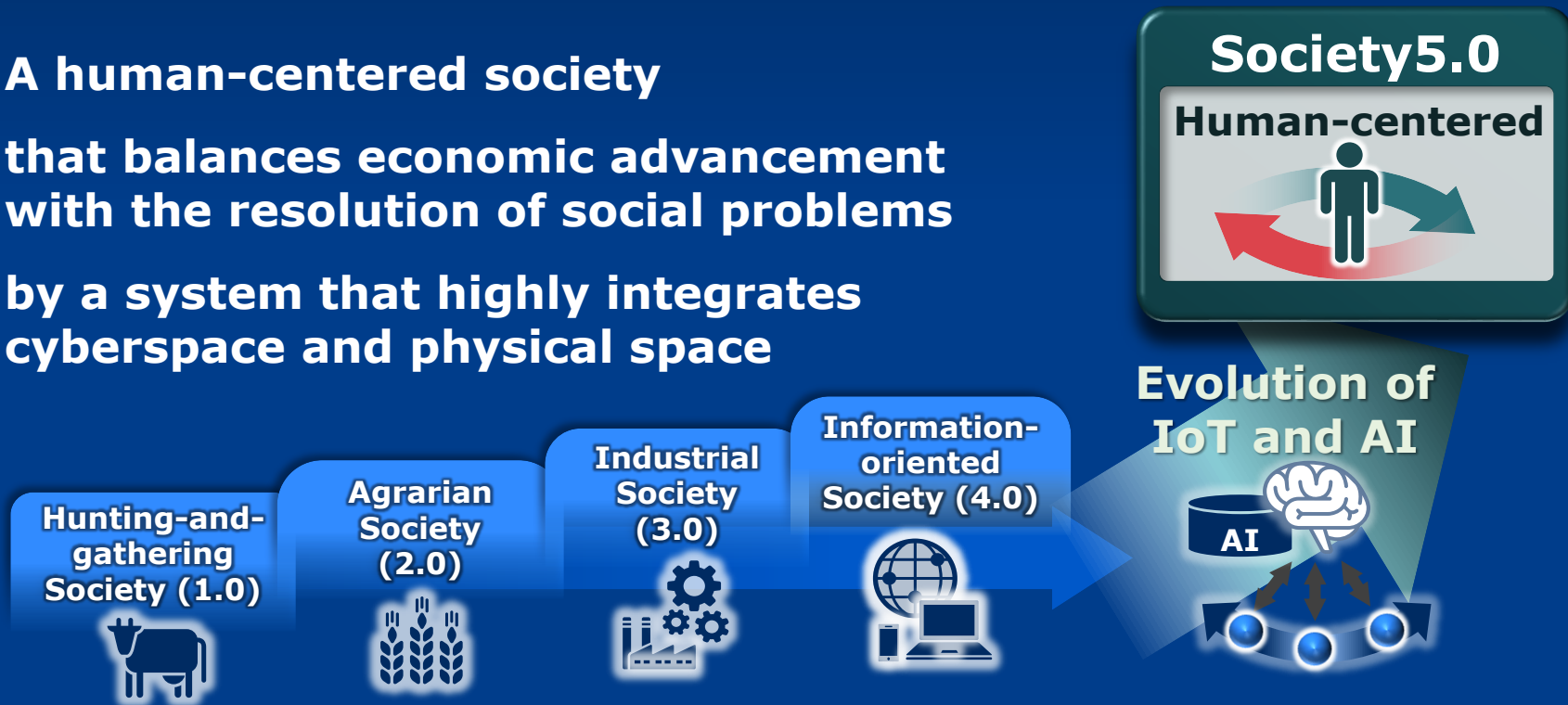




Society 5.0

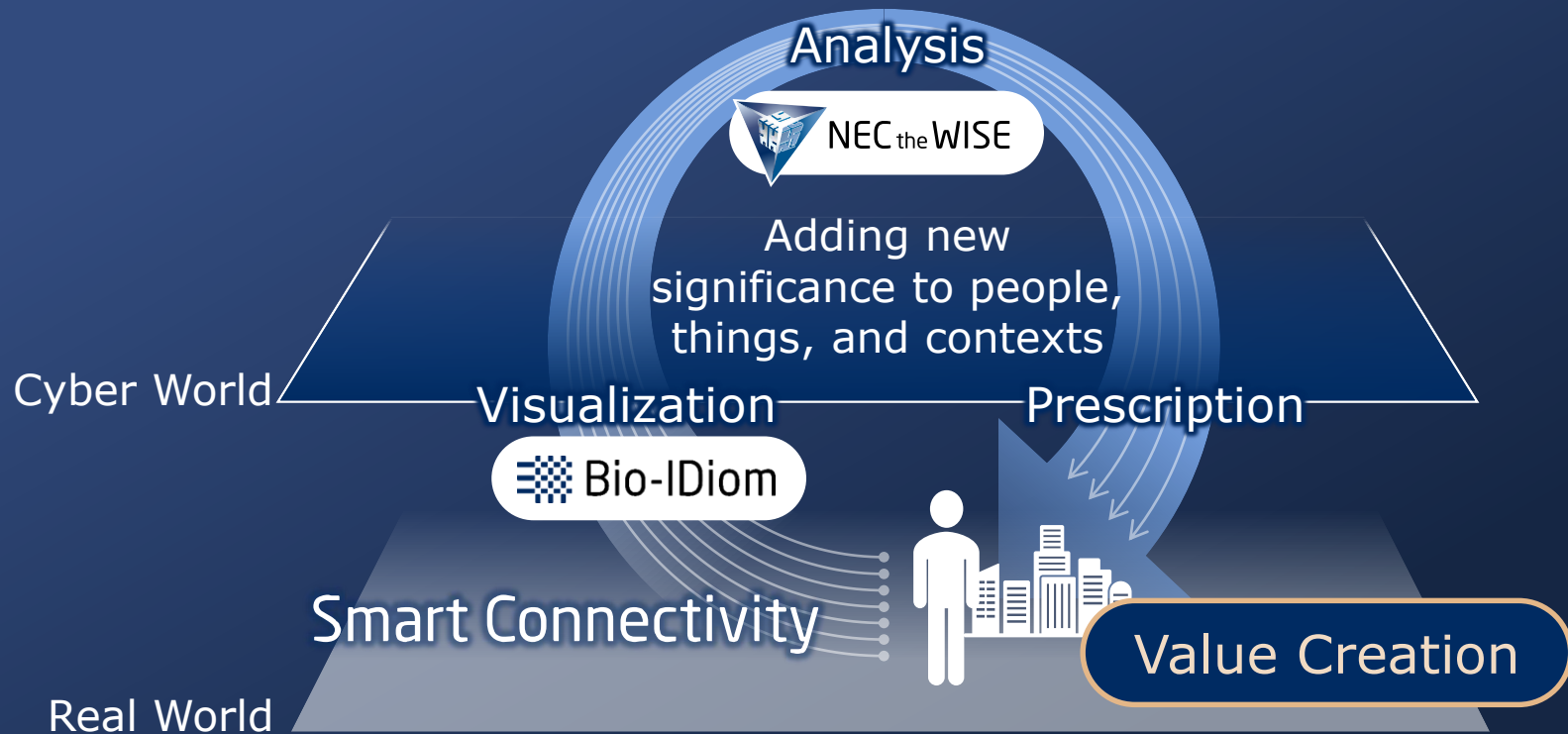
January 2017, Society 5.0 concept has been introduced in the 5th Science and Technology Basic Plan.

- **A human-centered society**
- **that balances economic advancement with the resolution of social problems**
- **by a system that highly integrates cyberspace and physical space**

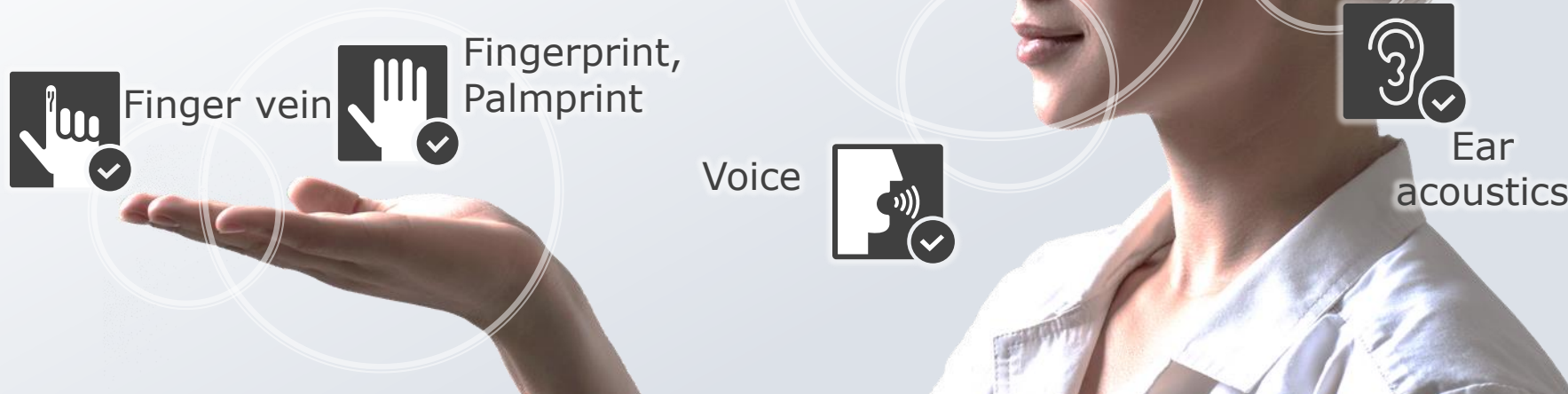
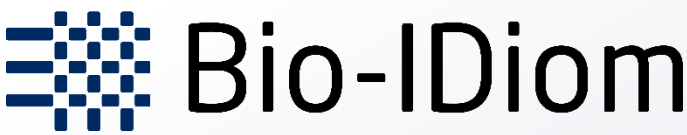


Social Value Creation enabled by evolving technologies

Value Creation in anticipation of Digital Inclusion



NEC Biometric Authentication



NEC's Cutting-edge AI Technology Suites "NEC the WISE"



NEC the WISE

AI technologies from NEC
for enriching human intellect and creativity

Visualization

Digitalization,
Improvement
of data quality

Image clarification

Only1 Learning based
super-resolution

Only1 Multi-modal
image fusion

Only1 Micro-size ID
as a dot

Only1 Discovery of
rare critical events

Recognition &
identification
using
the five senses

No.1^{*1}

Face recognition

No.1^{*2}

Fingerprint
recognition

No.1^{*3}

Iris
recognition

Only1

Object fingerprint
recognition

Only1

Ear Acoustics
Authentication

Only1

Optical vibration
sensing

Speech, emotion
recognition

Analysis

Understanding
of meaning &
intent

No.1^{*4}

Textual entailment
recognition

Only1

Crowd behavior
analysis

Only1

Profiling across
spatio-temporal data

Only1

Customer profile
estimation

No.1^{*5}

Acoustic situation
awareness

Only1

Heterogeneous
mixture learning

Only1

Invariant analysis

Only1

Log pattern analysis

Only1

Automated
Security Intelligence

Only1

Predictive analytics
automation technology

Graph-based
relation learning

High-precision
analysis

RAPID machine learning

Prescription

Planning &
optimization

Only1

Autonomous and
adaptive control

Only1

Predictive robust
optimization
framework

*1 : Ranked 1st four consecutive times in task assessment sponsored by NIST, *2 : Ranked 1st five times in task assessment sponsored by NIST, *3 : Ranked 1st in task assessment sponsored by NIST (2018)
*4 : Ranked 1st in task assessment sponsored by NIST (2012), *5 : Ranked 1st in task assessment sponsored by IEEE AASP Challenge DCASE2016

NEC drives the evolution of AI technologies by solving social issues on two fronts.



NEC_{the} WISE

Black Box

Discovered rules are unexplainable

Unparalleled optimization

Problems with a fixed solution

Safer cities

Quality control

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White Box

Discovered rules are explainable

Advanced suggestions to humans

Problems with more than one solution

Management decision

New product development

Interpersonal care

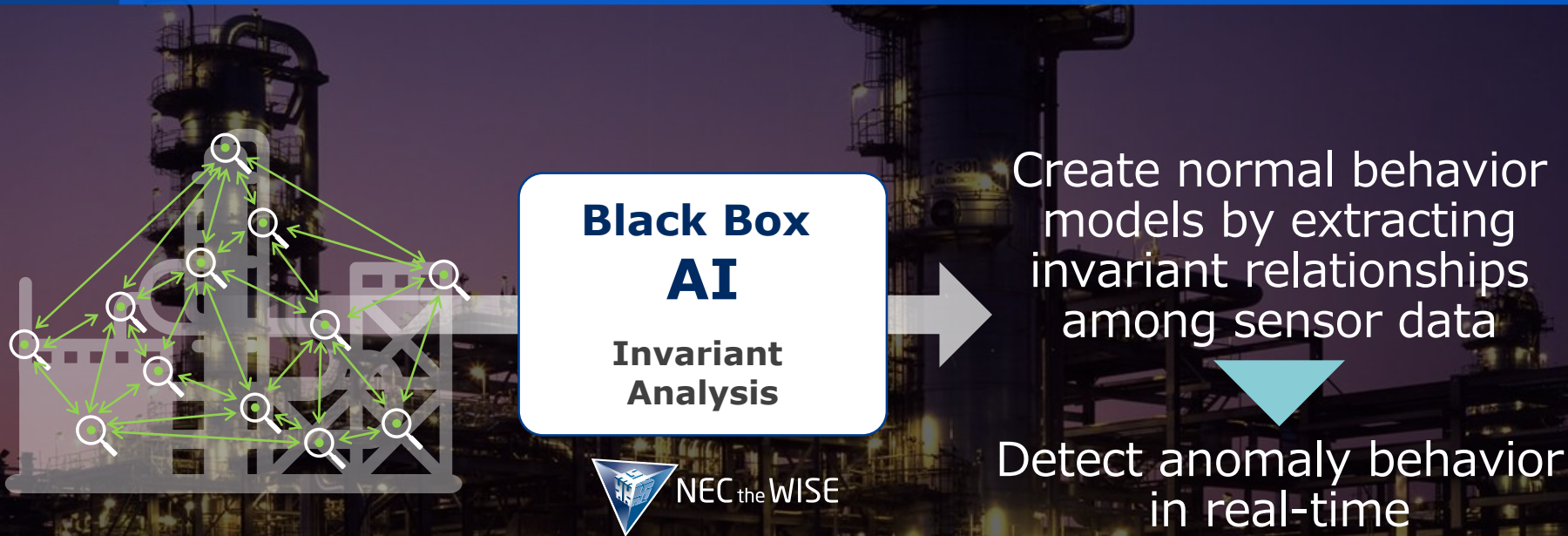
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Prescription

Analysis

Visualization

Plant × Digital JRC Corporation



More stable, safe and efficient plant operation

Brewery × Digital Asahi Breweries



Shipment



Weather



Product



Calendar

White Box AI

Heterogeneous
mixture learning



NEC the WISE

Human
wisdom

+



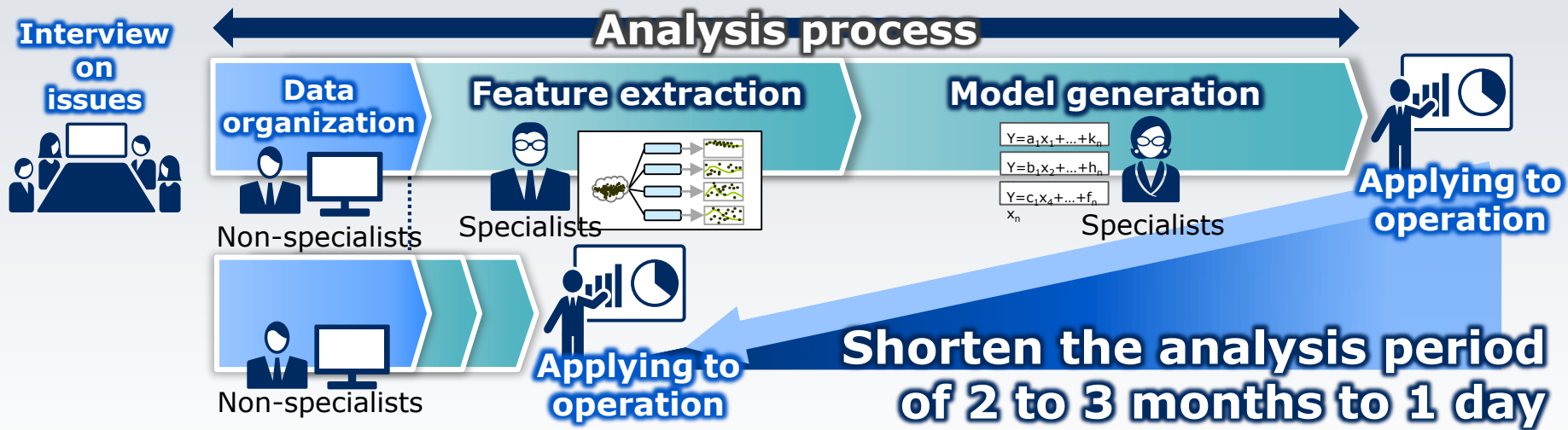
Demand
forecasting

Optimization of production plan and inventory plan

Increase forecast accuracy by incorporating human wisdom into AI analysis

Data Analytics Process Automation

Case : Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation



- Can quickly start AI application
- Can easily adapt environmental change

NEC Contributions for Social Value Creation

NEC Safer Cities

Santander, Spain

Efficient city operation



Singapore

Contribution to the innovative safer city concept (SSIPO)



Tigre, Argentina

Real time city surveillance



NEC Value Chain Innovation

Kagome

10% increase in crop yields



Grocery Store

40% reduction in waste of grocery products



Call Center

30% reduction in operation time



Society 5.0

- Human centered
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Abundant and Wellbeing

Toward Future Society

For maximizing use of Data and AI



Safety



Security

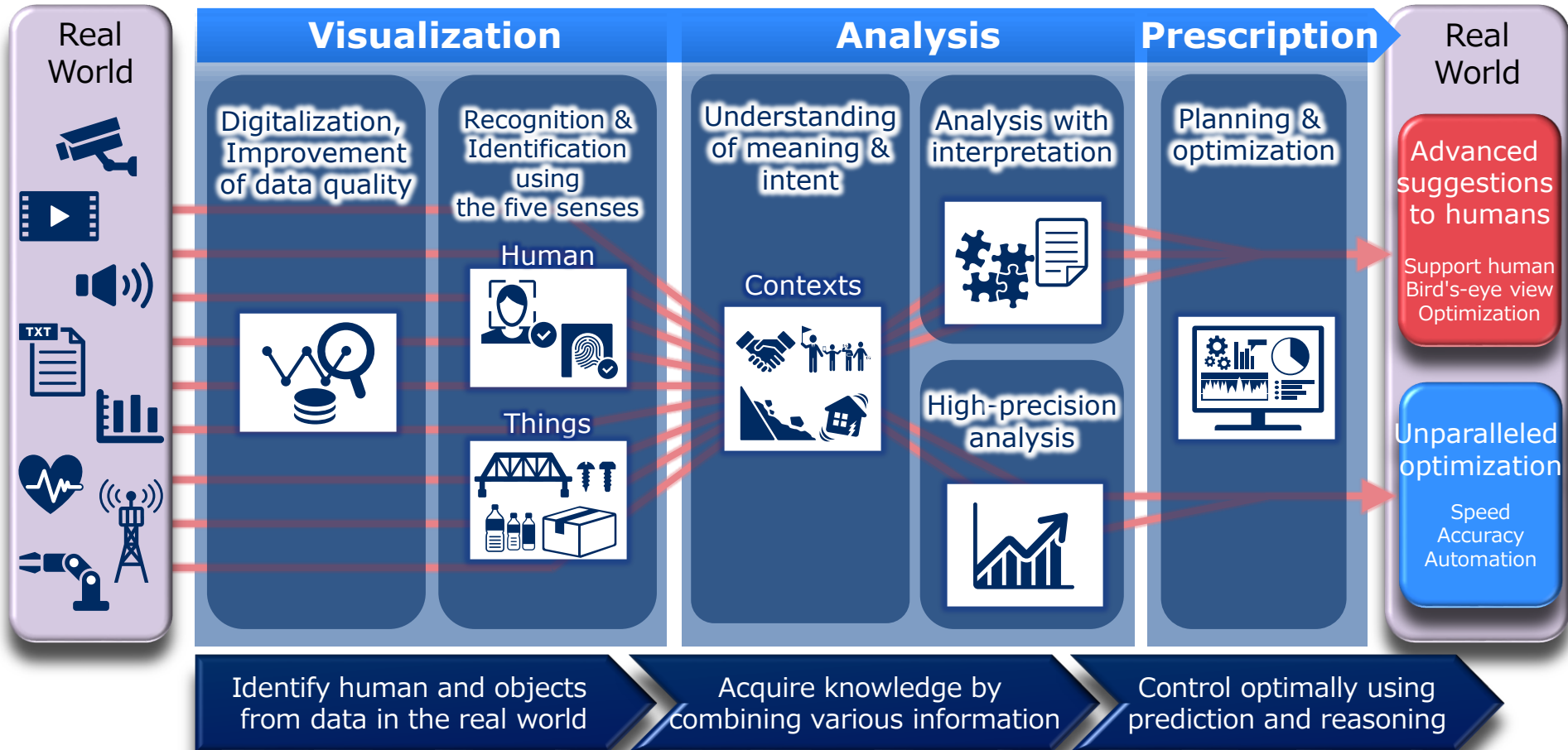


Efficiency

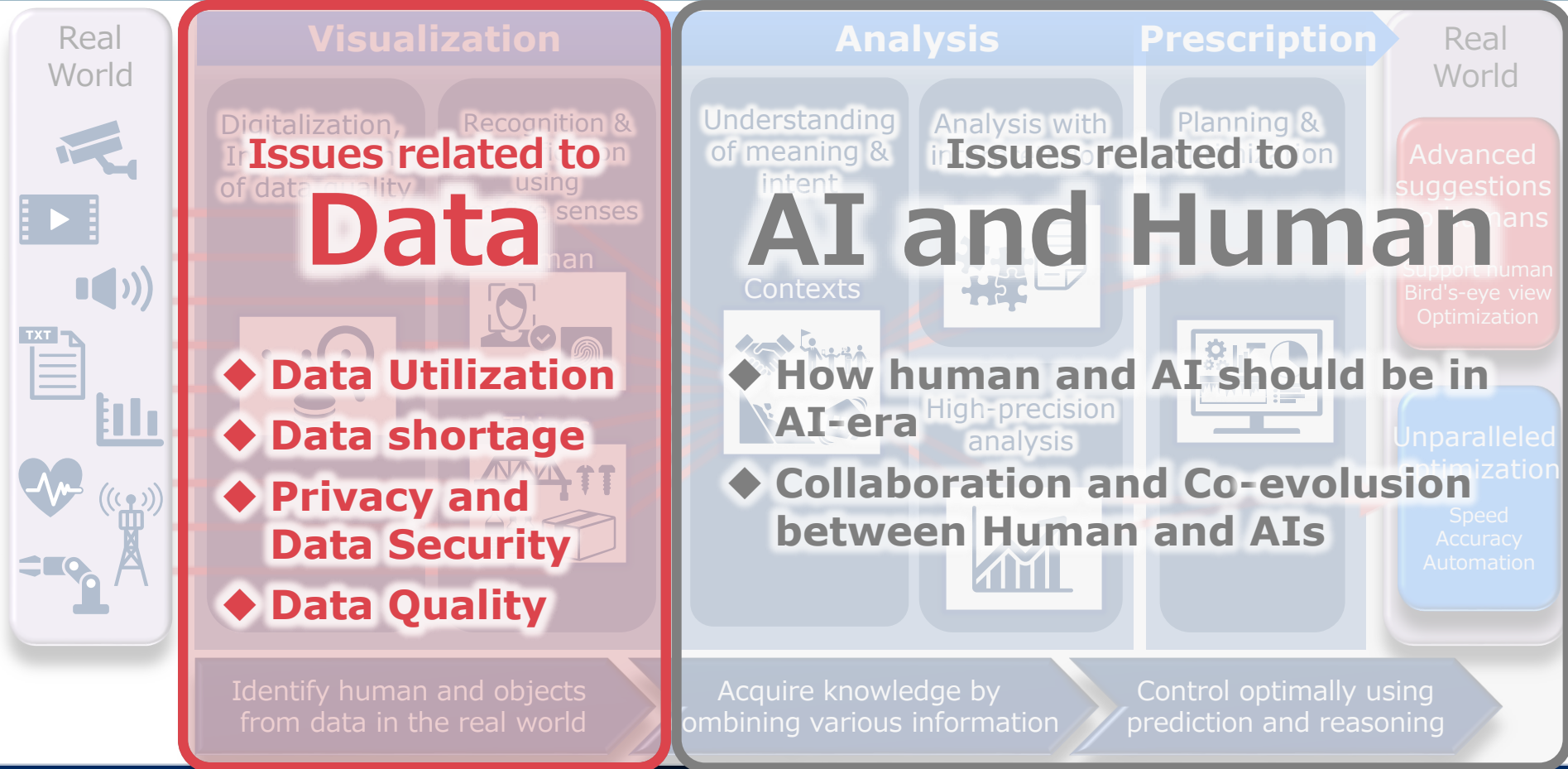


Equality

Value Creation by Combining Various data and AI Technologies



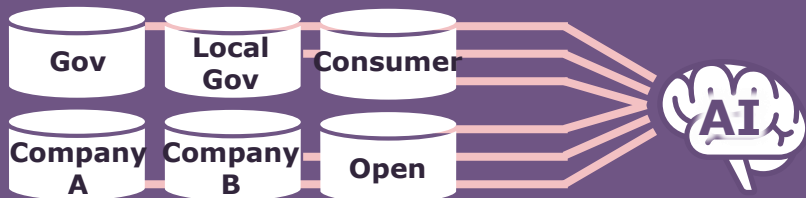
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Safe and Secure Data Utilization

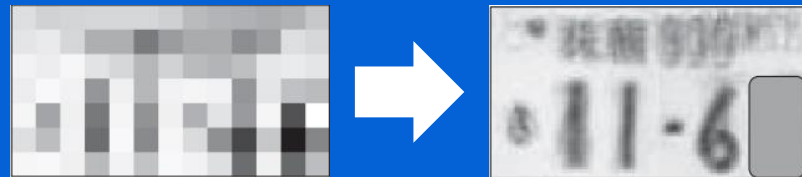
Data dictates the competitiveness of AI

Securing variety of data sources



- Inter-domain data acquisition and distribution
- Open data helps to secure certain amount of data

Improving data quality



- Reducing noise or bias from the data source
- Utilizing data which usually cannot be used
- Obtaining real time data

Secure Trust Data Utilization Platform

Encryption Tech

Data Protection

Anonymity tech

Privacy Protection

Blockchain

Automated Transaction/Contract

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Legislation

Rule
Making

Standar-
dization

Eco
System

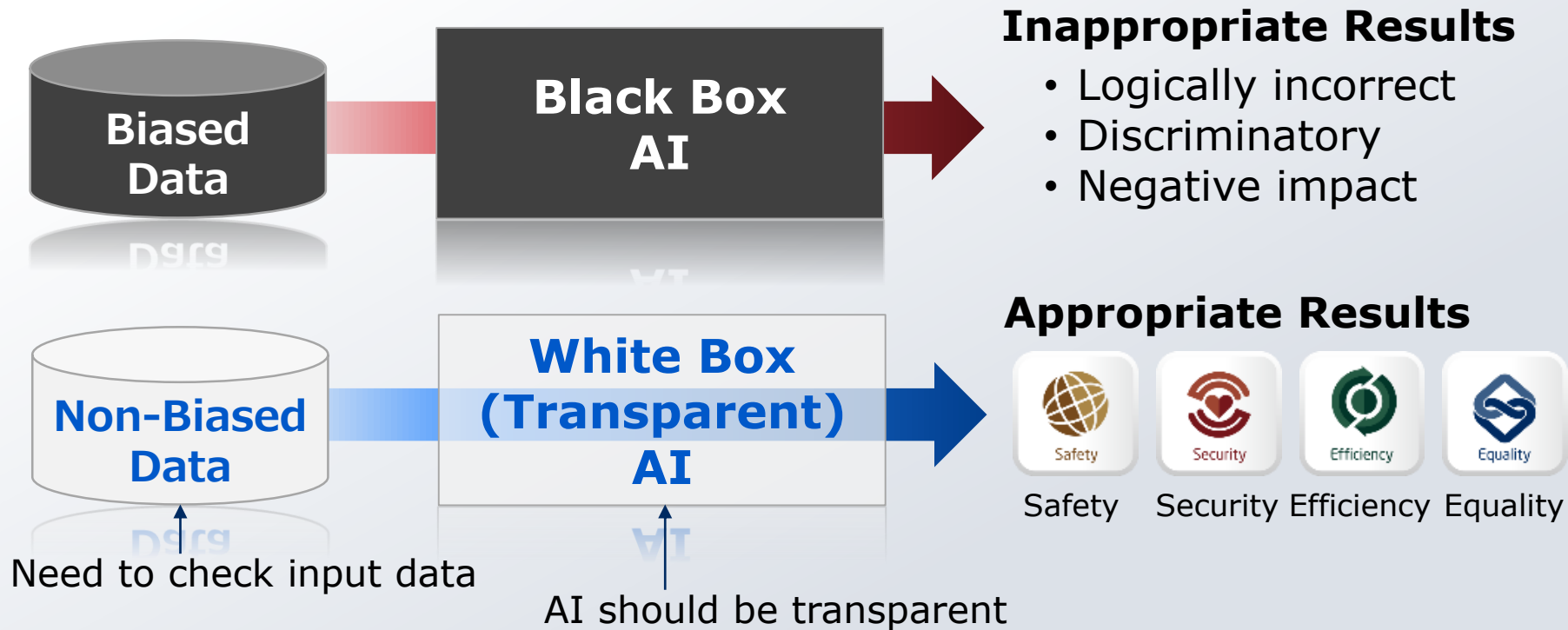
Authenti-
cation

Contract

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To tackle “Data Bias” issues

For improving social acceptance of AI technologies



Industry-academia collaborations aimed at improving human consciousness

**Vision-driven
Collaboration**



Joint R&D



**Ethics, legal
Social issues**



**Human
resource
development**



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Value Creation by Combining Various data and AI Technologies

Real World



Visualization

Digitalization, Information of data quality

Recognition & Identification using various senses

Issues related to

Data

- ◆ Data Utilization
- ◆ Data shortage
- ◆ Privacy and Data Security
- ◆ Data Quality

Identify human and objects from data in the real world

Analysis

Understanding of meaning & intent

Contexts

◆ How human and AI should be in AI-era

◆ Collaboration and Co-evolution between Human and AIs

Acquire knowledge by combining various information

Prescription

Planning & Decision

Real World

Advanced suggestions

Human Bird's-eye view Optimization

Unparalleled optimization

Speed Accuracy Automation

Control optimally using prediction and reasoning

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Understand Properties of Human and AI



Designing an advanced system for our future society

Accelerated evolution of technology

Drastically changing society

2050
A future that enriches
our society and peoples lives
Jobs to be
replaced by AI

2017



Industrial
Society



Information
Society

Invention of computers
Spread of the Internet

Invention of the steam engine

How human should be



**Routine
Work**



We can focus more on
new challenges

Routine work can be
minimized by
technology

Toward Human centered society

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An important indicator of AI is how much spare time can be created for human.

Kevin Kelly



**Enhance the value of “Muda”
Sptuniko!**

“systematization” vs “Creativity”

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Creativity becomes noise for system
Keiichiro Matsumura

**Unparalleled
optimization**

**Advanced
suggestions
to humans**

Systematization / Efficiency

Humanity / Creativity

**Future design by appropriate allocation of roles
Between human and AI**

Real World AI Case Studies

Issues on current plant operation

Operation

Experts design a recovery plan by monitoring the plant



Causes redundancy
and oversights
in operation

AI

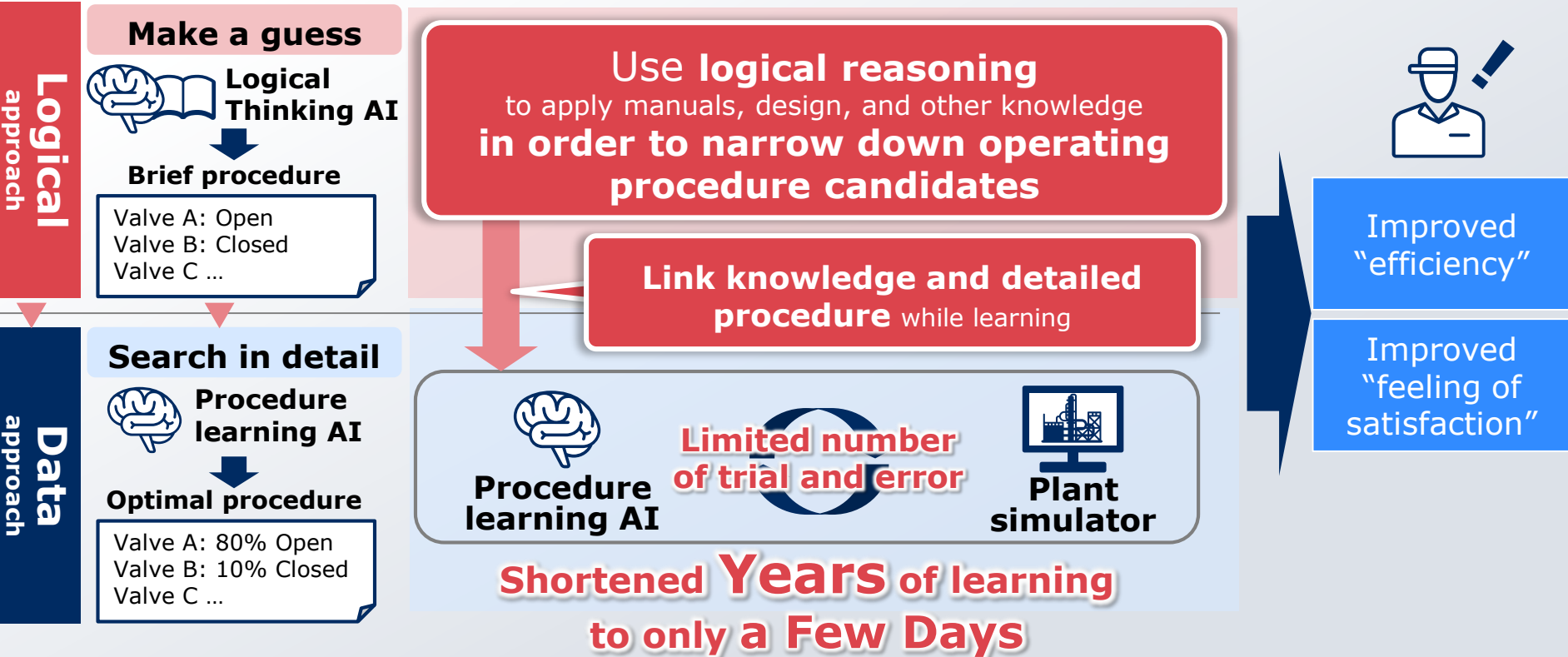
AI may learn recovery plans by trials & errors on simulator



Requires learning
for years

Logical Thinking AI assisting plant operations

From the research at NEC-AIST AI Cooperative Research Laboratory



Direction of AI Technology Evolution

② Explainability

Logical
approach

Show logical
explanations
using human
knowledge

Expert
Systems

High-Speed Logical Reasoning

Ultrafast algorithm makes it possible to solve
complex reasoning problems

Logical Thinking AI

Significantly reduces the
number of trials on simulator,
using knowledge

Data
approach

Show similar
past cases or
related data

Heterogeneous
Mixture Learning
SMOOTHGRAD
etc.

No
explanation

various
machine learning

complement
the lack of past data
by simulation and
machine learning

**small-data
machine learning**

Simulation-Logic Integration

The logical reduction significantly
shrinks learning time based on the
simulator

big data or
complete knowledge

small data and
incomplete knowledge

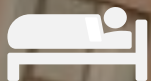
① Robustness

Kitahara Neurosurgical Institute

Technology demonstration

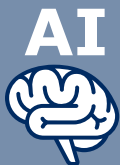
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Vital data



Patient

Electronic
records



Detect signs of
agitation 40 minutes
before occurrence

71%

Identify high-risk
patients for aspiration
pneumonia

87%

Support the medical setting through AI
Offer high-quality medical services to more people

Kitahara Neurosurgical Institute

Technology demonstration

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Handing over of
duties, and other
record creation tasks

58% increase in
efficiency

Application of textual entailment in medical recording
operations to streamline medical operations as a whole

Further Evolution for Social Value Creation

Real time reproduction of 3D space
The 5 senses



Omnipresent
Healthcare



Virtual
Education



Assisted
Homes



Augmented
Experiences



Global
Connection and
Collaboration

Cyber World
Mixed Reality

Real World

Free from time constraint
Free from ability constraint

Cyber World
Digital Twin
Real World

Human-Centered Society



**Agriculture
w/o Land**

**Travel @
Sound Speed**

**Omnipresent
Healthcare**

Clean Energy

**Virtual
Education**

**Driverless
Cars**

**Augmented
Experiences**

**Assisted
Homes**

**Drone
travels**

Space Travel

**Machine
World**

**The New
Food**

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