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OPTIMIZED PREDICTIVE PLANNING WITH KNIME

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FROM BUSINESS PROBLEM TO MODELING AND IMPLEMENTATION



business problem

implementation



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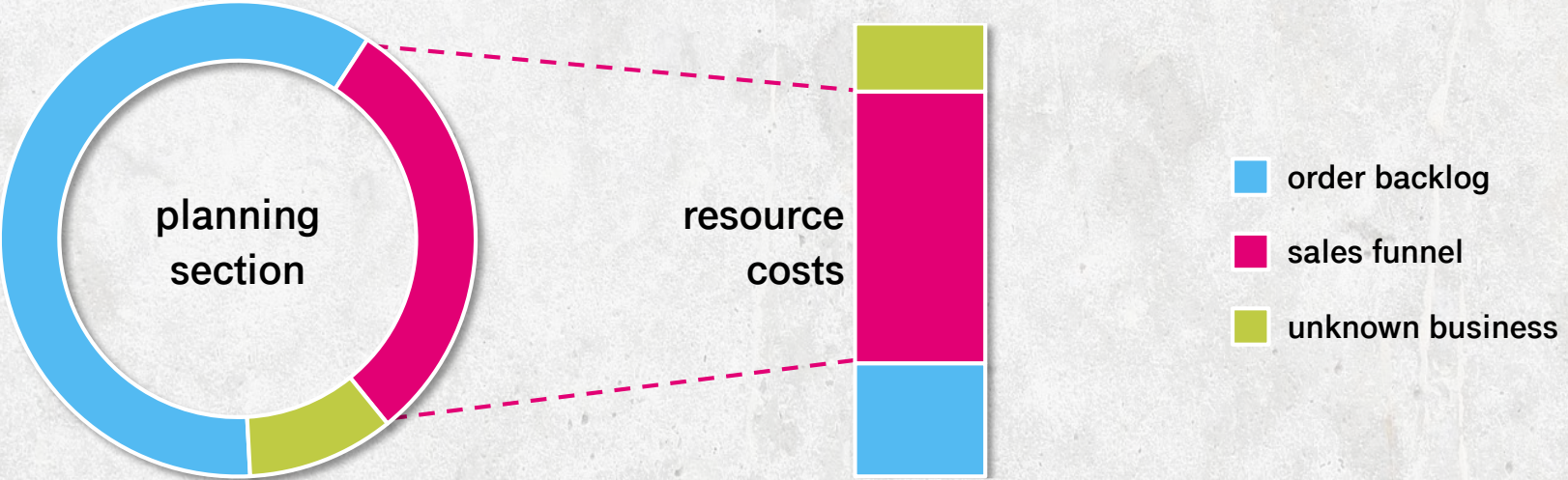


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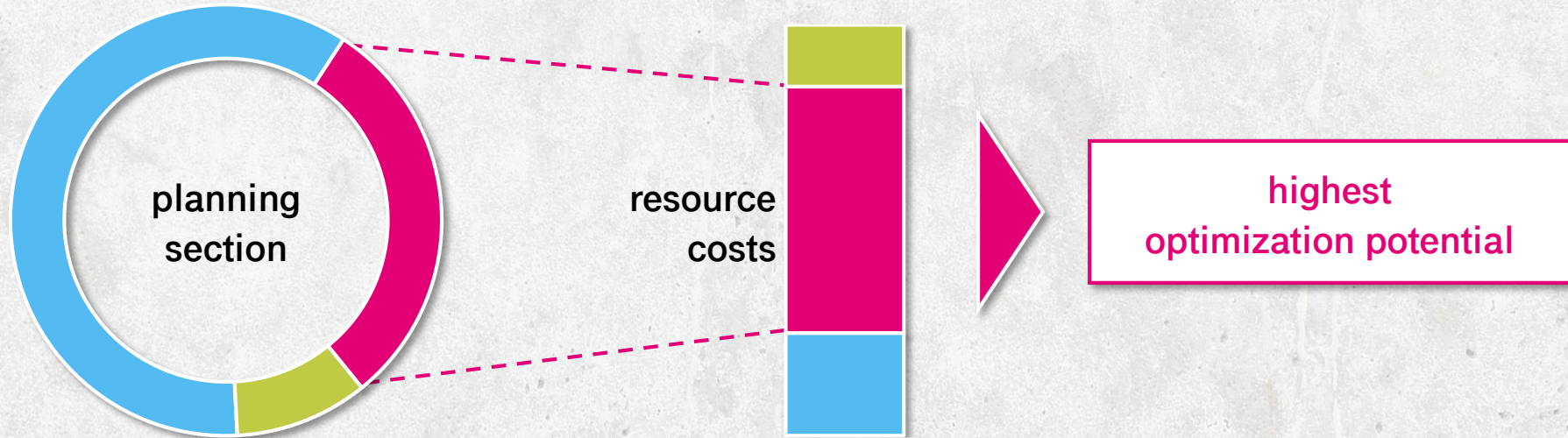
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- Manuell planning time is too high in relation to the budget
- Consideration of the planning part with the highest resource requirements and lowest validity

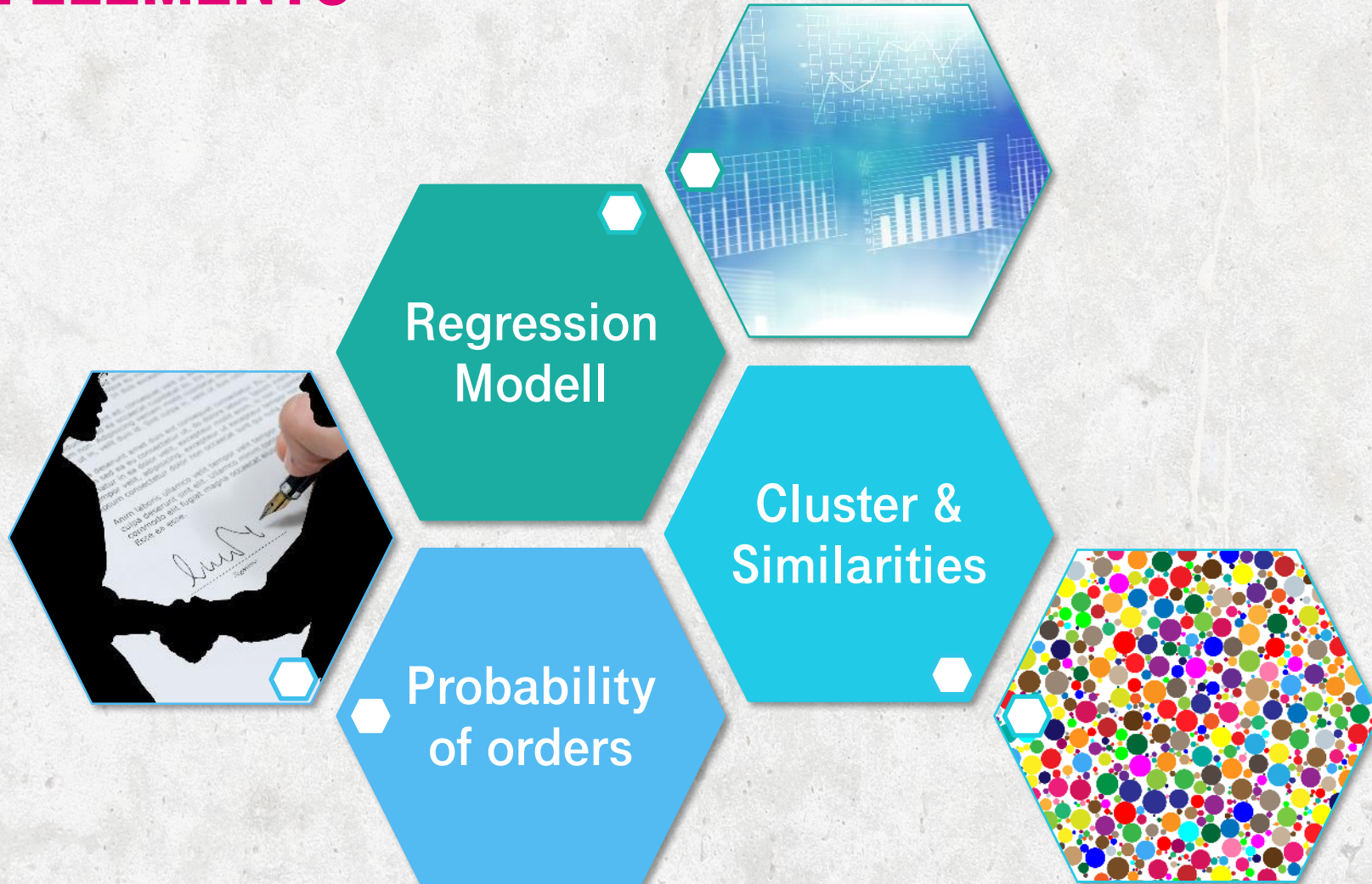


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DECISION ELEMENTS



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EXAMPLES OF UNDERLYING DATA

Customer Dimension

- Sales Region
- Letter of Intent True/False



System Information

- Duration per Stage
- Number of offer versions



Time Dimension

- Quarter of the planned project start
- Condition per Stage



Financial Information

- project volume
- term of contract



Technology & Portfolio

- technology portfolio
- ITIL Type



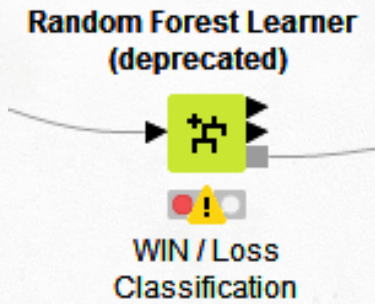
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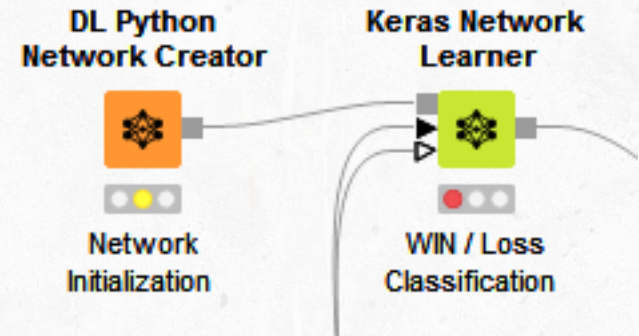


EVOLUTION OF THE MODEL FROM SIMPLE TO COMPLEX

1 Random Forest Learner



2 Python & Keras Network Learner



EVOLUTION OF THE MODEL FROM SIMPLE TO COMPLEX

1 Random Forest Learner

Easy to implement

- ⊕ Can handle categorical values
- ⊕ No special data preparation required
- ⊕ Successful training even with smaller data sets

Retrain creates a new model each time

- ⊖ Small changes in the training data set can have a big impact on the model.



2 Python & Keras Network Learner

Retrain optimizes the existing model

- ⊕ Can recognize even complex relationships
- ⊕ Stable result even after retrain

High resource requirements for training

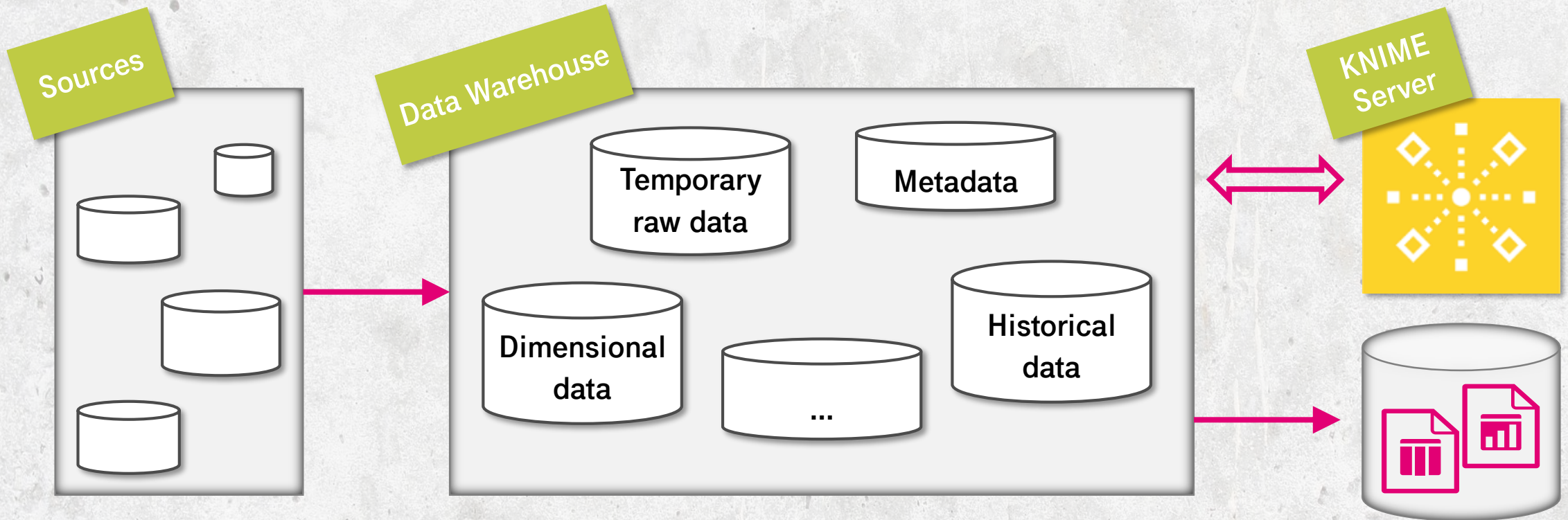
- ⊖ Special data preparation required
- ⊖ Scaling to range from -1 to 1 required
- ⊖ Requires sufficient data for initial training (approx. 1,000 data rows per feature)

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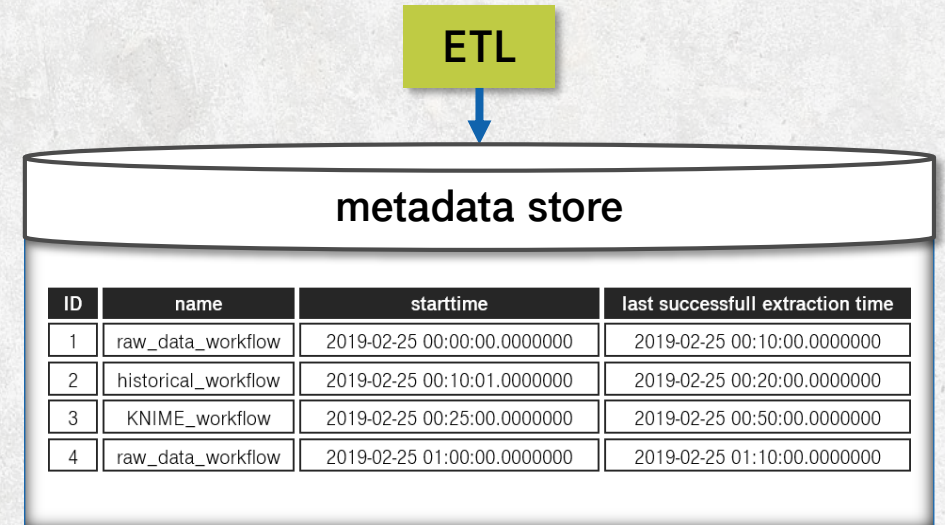
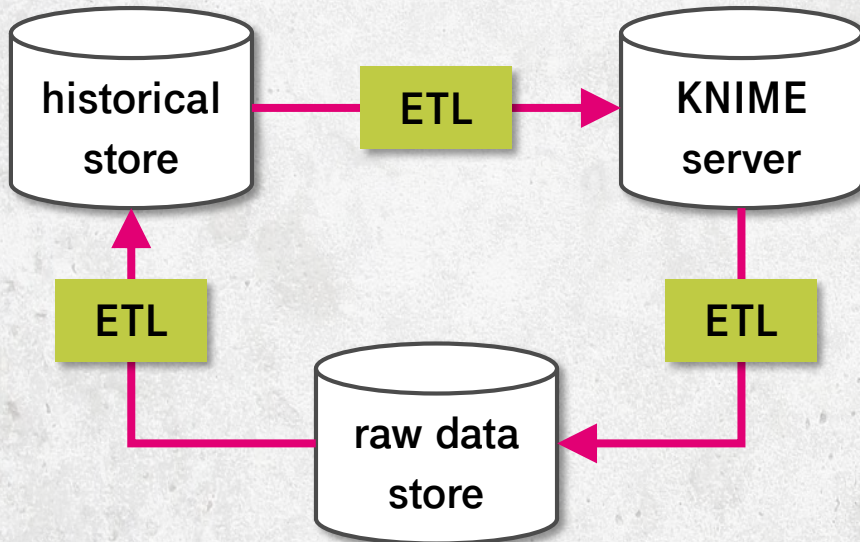
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PLATFORM ARCHITECTURE



INTEGRATION INTO DATA WAREHOUSE



- execution times of individual Extract Load Transform (ETL) processes are defined in metadata management
- each transaction is traceable system-wide
- workflows of the individual processes read metadata, metadata controls workflows of individual processes



ADDITIONAL FRAMEWORKS SUPPORTING DEEP LEARNING



KNIME
Server



PYTHON & ANACONDA

- Installation of Python & custom Anaconda environment
- Defining the Uniform Configuration for the KNIME Server Executor



TENSORFLOW

- Underlying framework
- Currently as CPU version, GPU planned 2nd half of 2019

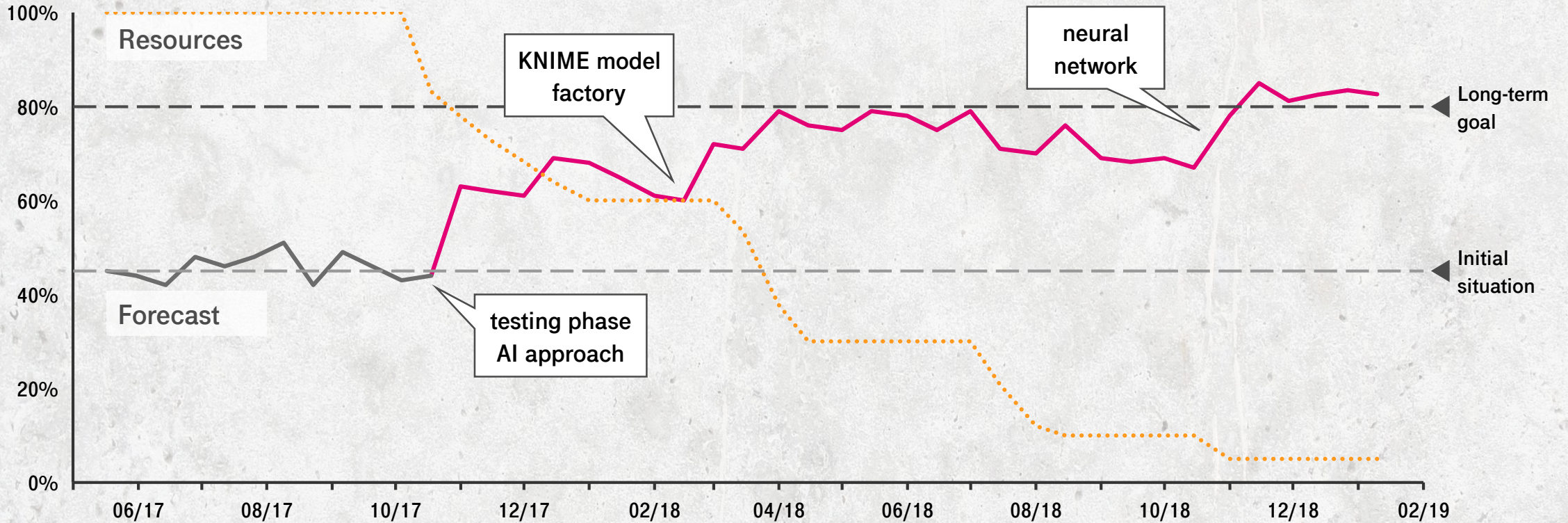


KERAS

- Implemented with Tensorflow backend



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→ Increase of accuracy of forecast and decrease of resources needed



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