

# Scientific Computing Division and Me

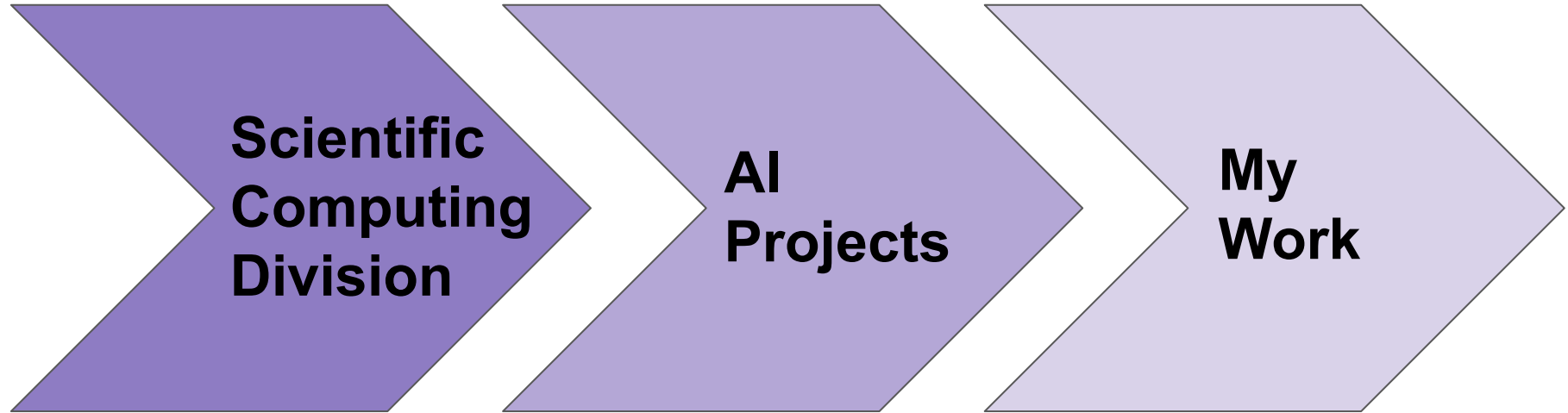
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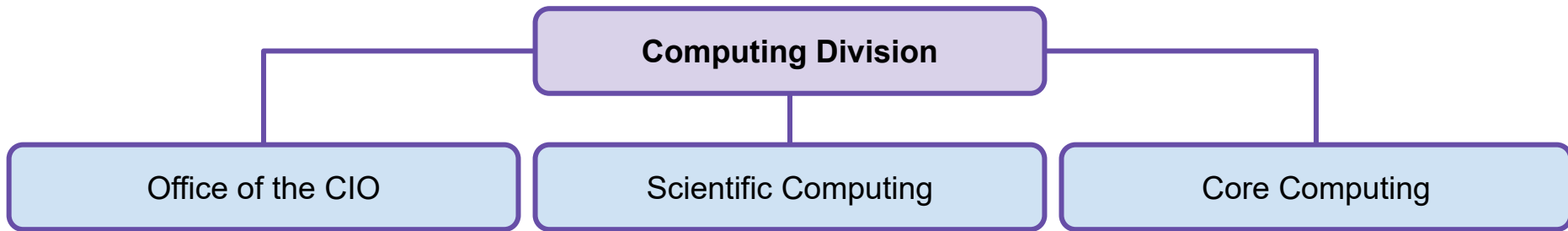
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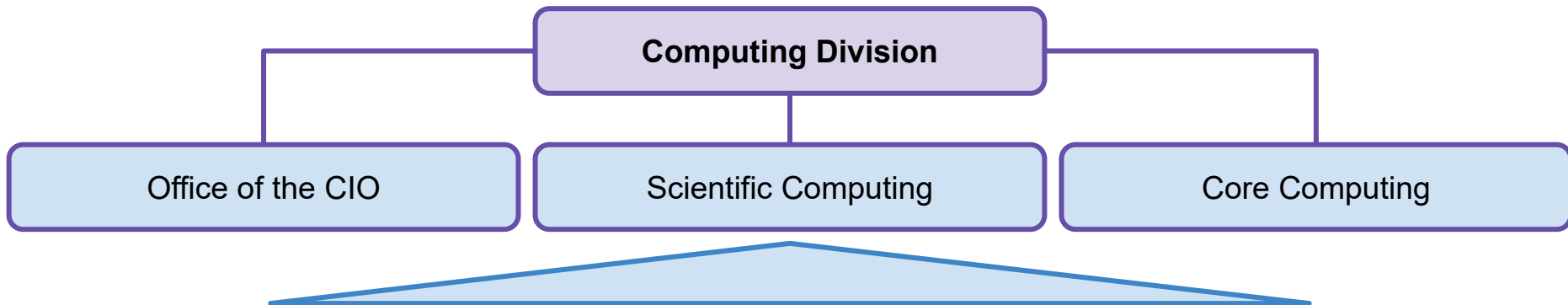
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# Talk Outline







- Scientific Computing Services
- Scientific Data Services
- Scientific Computing Facilities

- Cross Cutting Projects & Initiatives
- AI & Software for Physics Applications
- Framework, DAQ & Electronics ...

**Scientific Computing Division (SCD)** provides software solutions and deploys and operates scientific computing facilities in support of the Fermilab program.

- Deliver world-class **computing services, operations and software** engineering support to Fermilab-based experiments, astronomical surveys, CMS and the high-energy physics community at large.
- Engages in **R&D activities required to maintain or advance capabilities** of Fermilab's physics program.

# AI capabilities and focus areas

Uncertainty quantification  
Learning on graphs

Theory and  
new algorithms

Coprocessors for fast inference  
Distributed training

Computing hardware  
and infrastructure

Accelerate Discovery  
Science

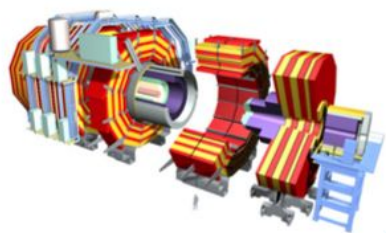
Operations and  
control systems

Real-time AI  
at sensor/edge

Self operating telescopes  
Experiment controls

hls4ml and FPGAs  
ASIC codesign





Accelerators



Neutrinos



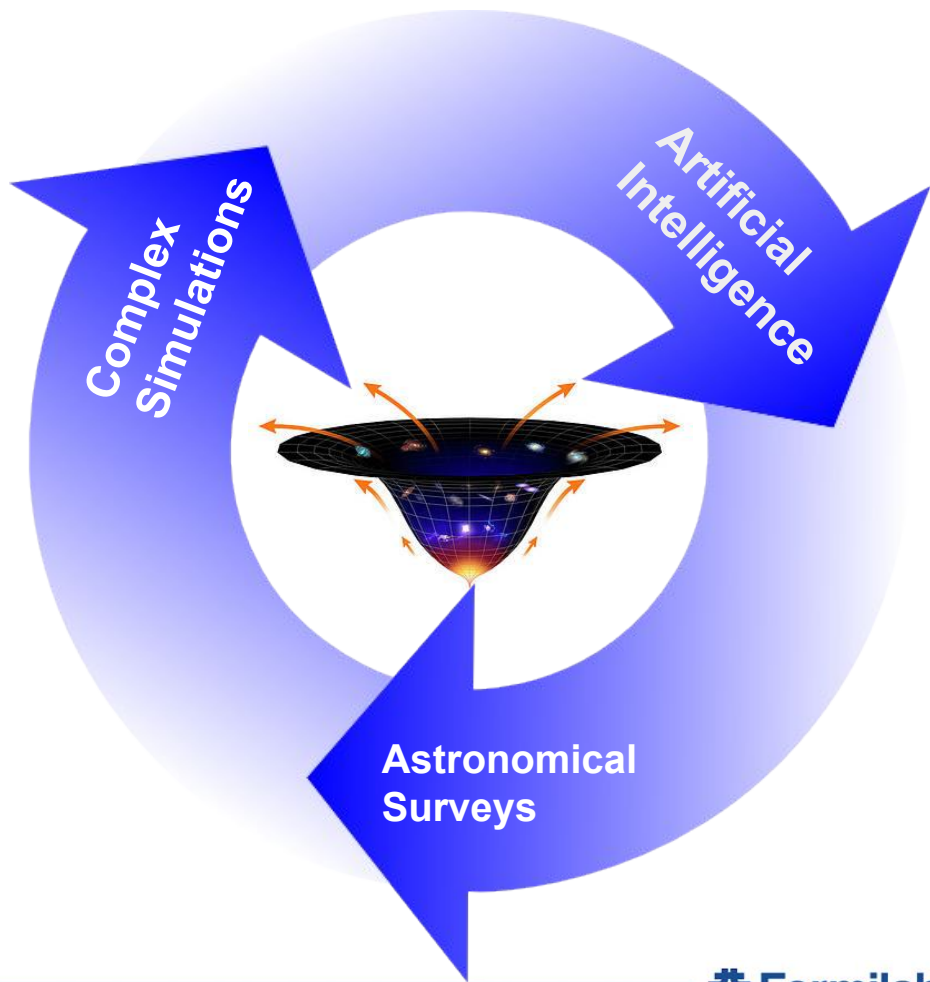
Astronomy



Quantum Science

# My science interests

- Formation and evolution of structure in the Universe
- Build robust, trustworthy and understandable AI
- Leverage and use all available **datasets** - learn from their similarities and differences



# My Projects

I

## Convolutional Neural Networks

Classification of astrophysical objects and inference of the physical parameters that describe them.

II

## Combining datasets and building algorithm robustness

Domain adaptation for learning domain invariant features.  
Building models that work in multiple data domains.  
Understanding adversarial robustness.

III

## Object detection with R-CNNs

Using detection algorithms to help find low surface brightness objects in survey data or detect artifacts and other problems.

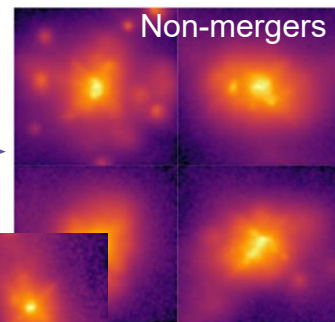
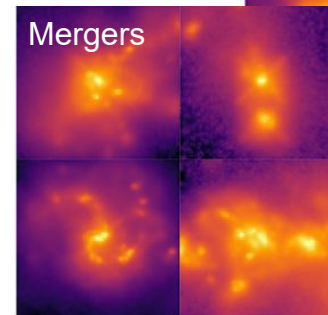
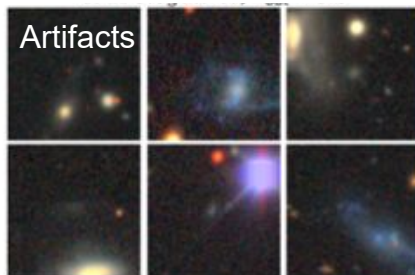
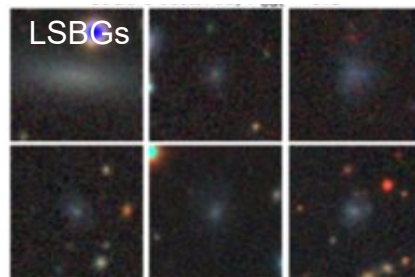


# My Projects

## Convolutional Neural Networks

“DeepMerge”: Ćiprijanović et al. 2020.  
“DeepShadows”: Tanoglidis et al. 2020.

- Using deep learning (CNNs) to **distinguish between merging and non-merging galaxies**, which are crucial for understanding of galaxy evolution.
- We show it is **possible even for very distant galaxies!**



- Using deep learning to **distinguish low surface brightness galaxies (LSBGs) from artifacts** in DES data.
- Crucial for building their catalogues, LSBGs might be the most numerous type of galaxies!

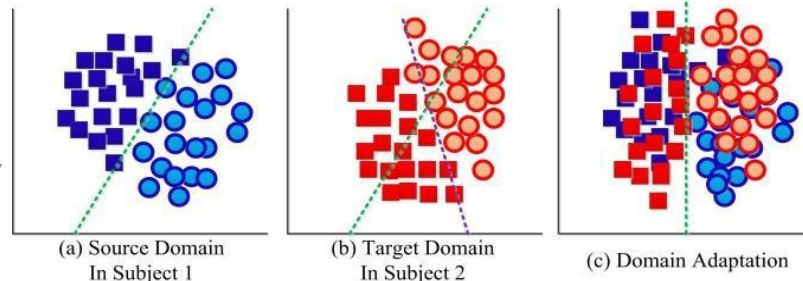
# My Projects

II

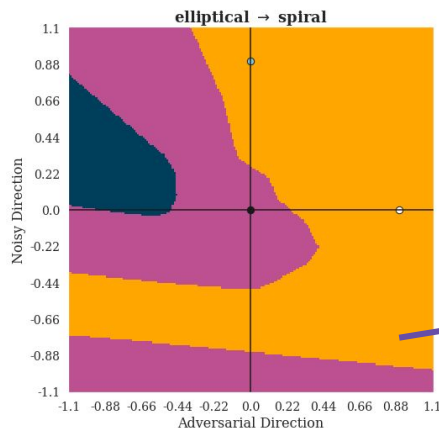
**Combining datasets  
and improving  
algorithm robustness**

You heard more in from  
Kathryn Downey the  
previous talk !

“DeepMerge II”:  
Ćiprijanović et al. 2021.



- **Domain adaptation methods** allow us align data distributions and find common decision boundary.
- We can use **combine knowledge from simulation with new and unlabeled observations from astronomical surveys!**



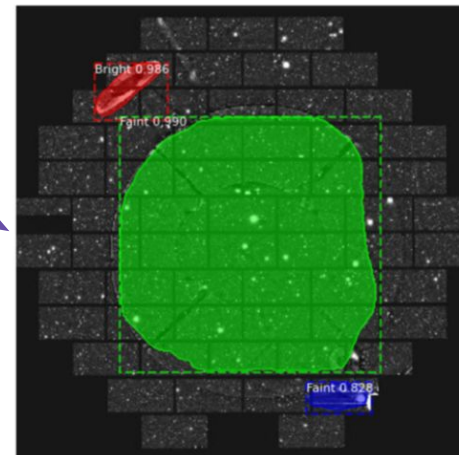
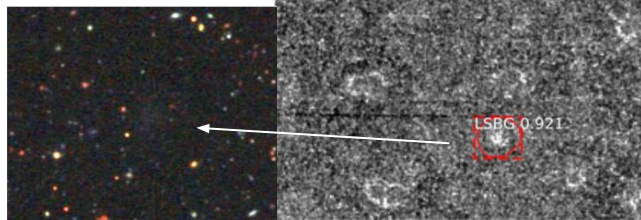
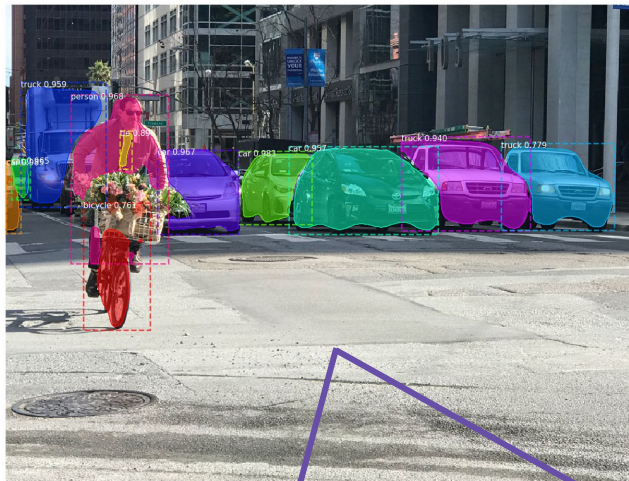
- **Exploring latent space of the model**, and how observational effects like **noise** can **cause errors in predictions**.

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## Object detection with R-CNNs

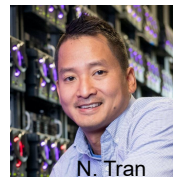
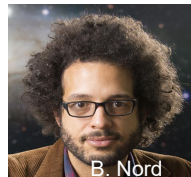
- Using **Mask R-CNNs** used for **object detection** and masking to search for hard-to-find **LSBGs**, as well as **ghosts** and other problematic artefacts in **DES data**.



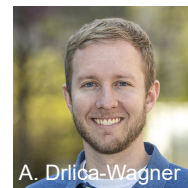
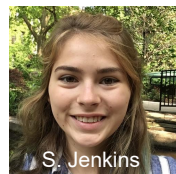
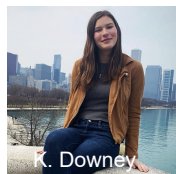
**"DeepGhostbusters":**  
Tanoglidis et al. *in preparation*

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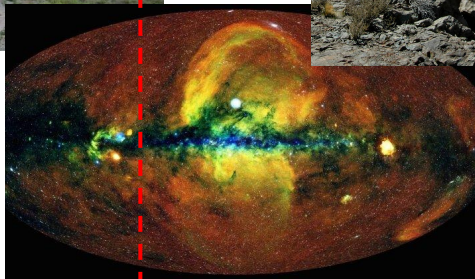
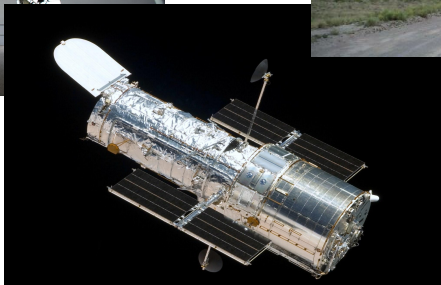
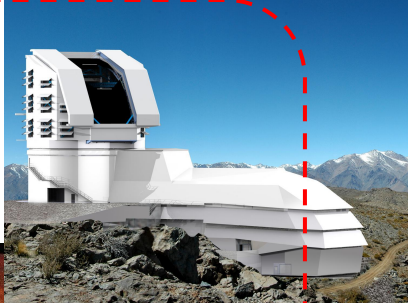
## Argonne, Oakridge



## Space Telescope Science Institute







## Are we alone?

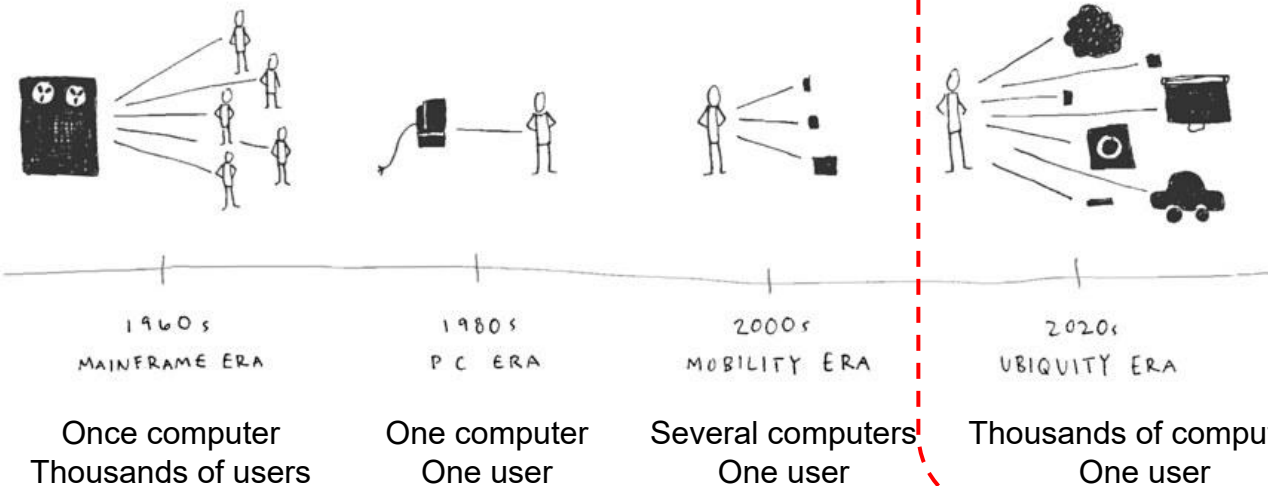
Exoplanets, search for life

## How did we get here?

Stars and elements, galaxies and their history, structure formation

## How does our Universe work?

The extremes of nature, dark matter and dark energy



# Thank you!

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# AI Initiative

