

# The L-CAPE Project at FNAL

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## Summary

- **Controls System at FNAL**
  - Records data asynchronously from several thousand Linac (Linear Accelerator) devices
  - Frequency ranging from 15 Hz down to once per minute
- **Current Operations:**
  - Mostly Reactive: Investigating cause after the effect
  - On beam interruption, operators use the data to investigate the source of unplanned beam outage from the FNAL Main Control Room.
- **Goal**
  - Apply data-analytic methods to improve information available to the operators
  - Use machine learning to automate the detection & labeling of outages and
  - Discover patterns in the data that could lead to prediction of outages

Table-1: Energy Use During Beam Outages

Event Length	Event Count	Duration (hours)	Energy (MWh)
< 5s	1626	1.04	0.182
< 10s	321	0.59	0.104
< 60s	205	2.01	0.351
< 120s	201	4.70	0.822
< 10m	169	11.69	2.05
≥ 10m	47	111.35	19.49

## Data Sources

- **Data Logger**
  - Accelerator control system's data logger nodes record data streams into circular buffers
  - Pipeline Created by the developers at the FNAL's Controls Department using modern tools
  - Solves a common problem and is being used on other ML projects
- **Data Stats**
  - L-CAPE makes 5567 requests over 4292 control system parameters and stores each request in an HDF5 group
  - The HDF5 output is collected by the hour with an average file size of 644MB per period

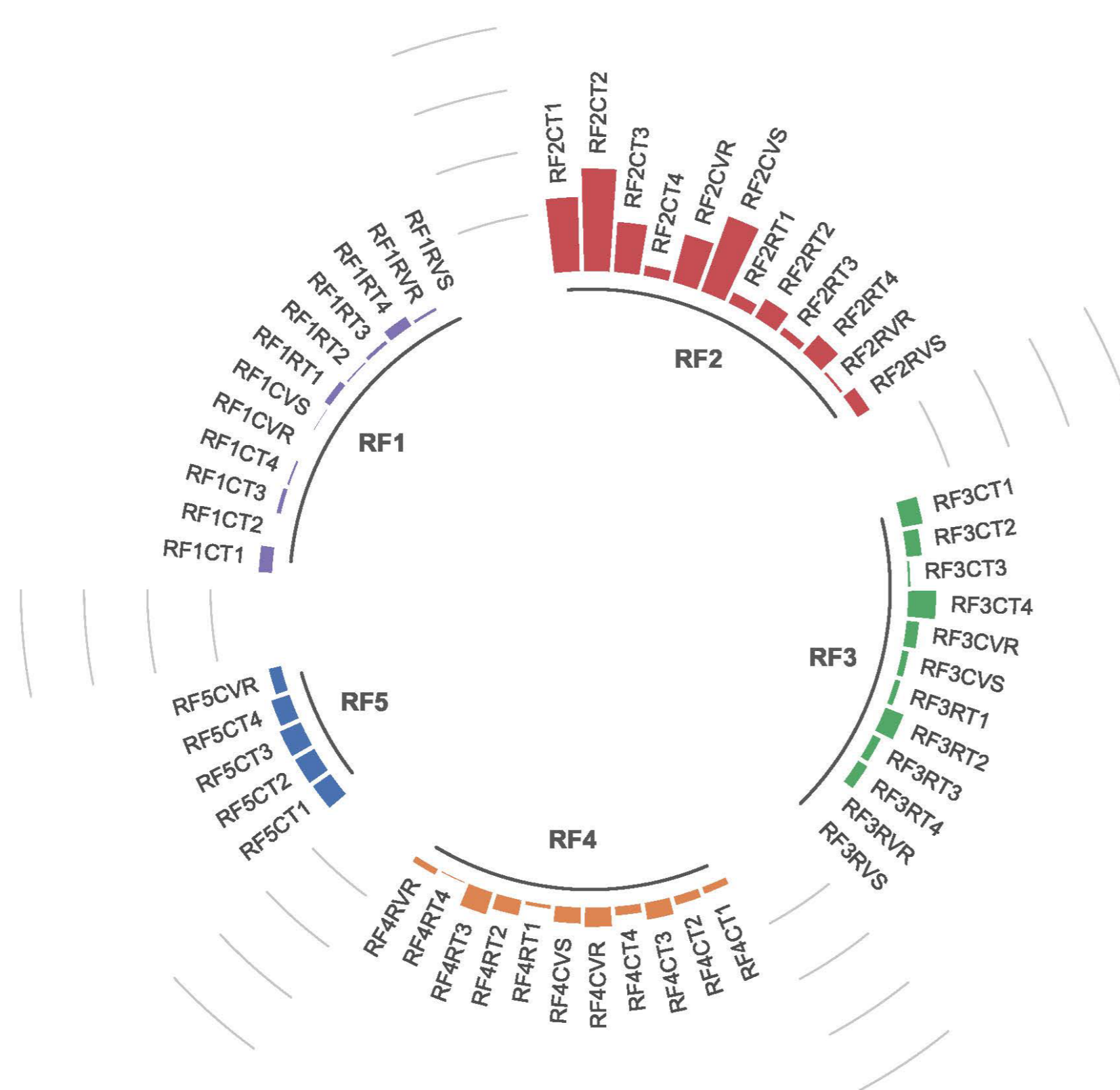


Figure-3: LRF2 Driver Anode OL

## Outage Labeling

- **Operator Labeling** (also referred to as "Ground Truth Labels")
  - List of outages with labels and times reported by the operators
  - Required for analytics, visualization, and model verification and validation
  - No label if the downtime duration is <1 min
- **Bit Permits**
  - Permits raised by the operators to report downtimes
  - Bit-27 (downstream permit) and Bit-28 (upstream permit)

## Modelling & Evaluation

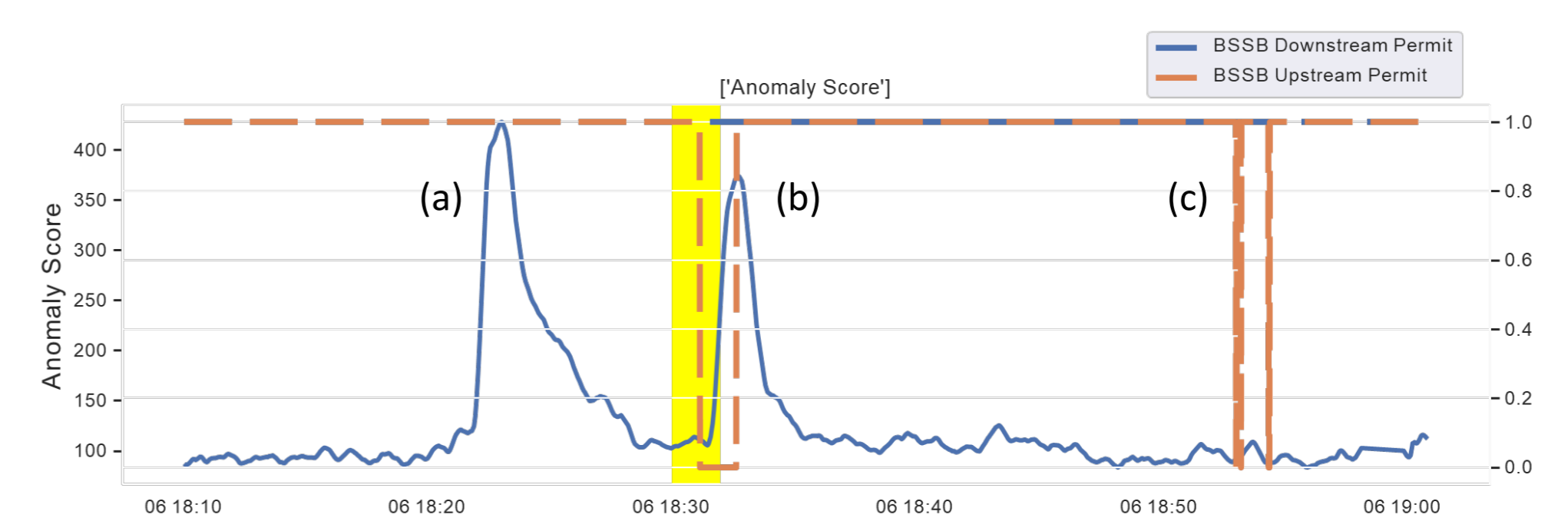


Figure-2: Comparison of anomaly score (TADGAN), operators' labels, and bit permits.  
(a) High anomaly score but no reported fault (**False Positive**)  
(b) Anomaly score aligns well with ground truth and bit permits (**True Positive**)  
(c) No operator label but bit permits report a fault

- #Devices: 2081 (status bits, settings, and noisy devices were filtered)
- Only 53 devices with complex data patterns were trained using the TADGAN

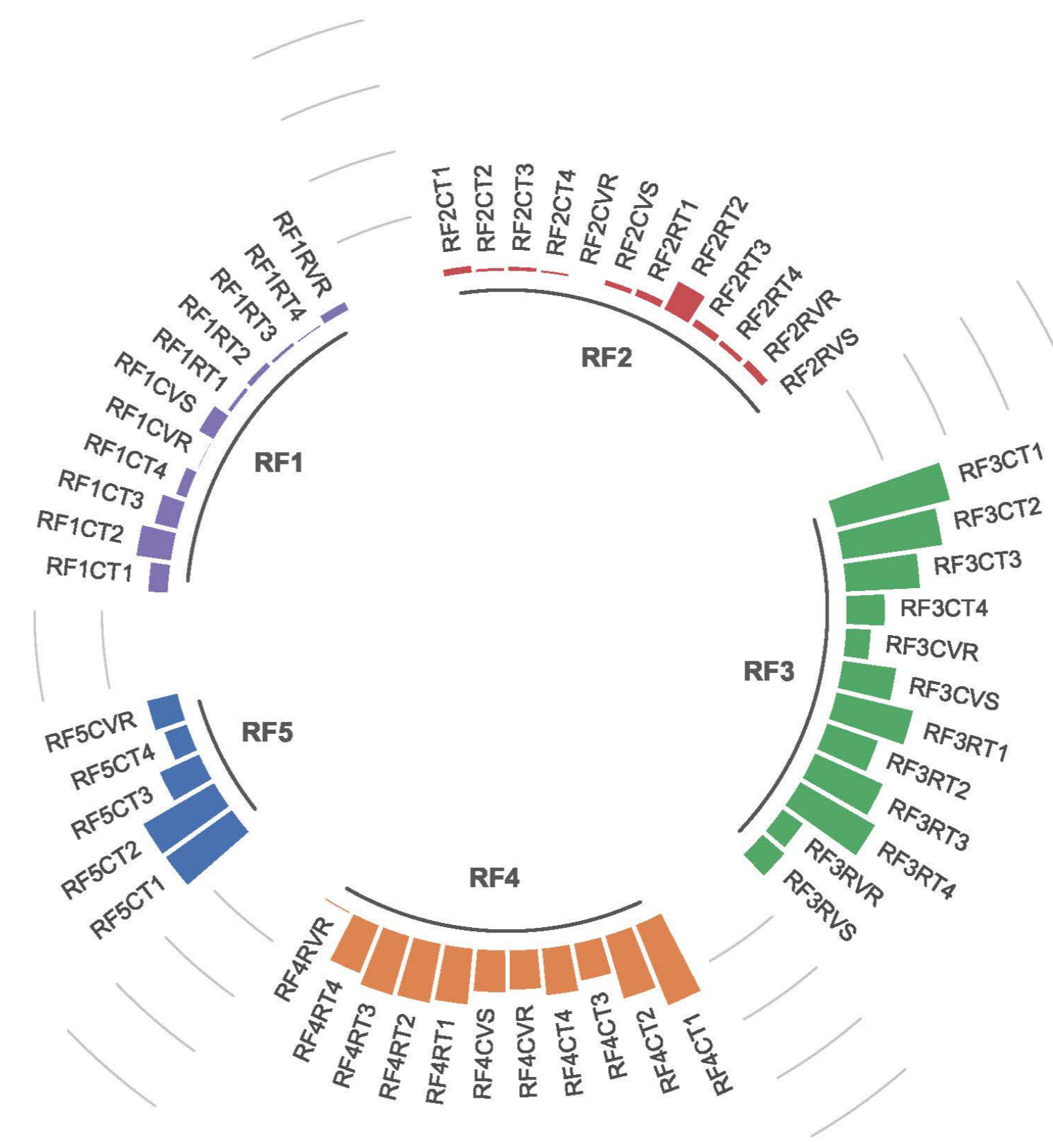


Figure-4: LRF3 Driver Anode OL

**Thresholding**  
Assumes device value lower than the 5th percentile or higher than the 95th percentile is anomalous

**Filtering**  
Data passes through a low-pass filter to filter high-frequency noise followed by a high-pass filter to filter brief anomalies/spikes

**TADGAN**  
An unsupervised anomaly detection approach built on Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) by Geiger et al. [1]

## Data Preprocessing Procedures

- **Challenges with Raw Data**
  - Hourly raw data files (in HDF5 format) are sampled from devices
    - at their respective cadences (**different frequencies**), and
    - timestamped by independent front-end nodes' clocks (**misaligned timestamps**)
  - High disk utilization and read/write time (**bulky and slow**)
  - Requires preprocessing for data analytics & visualization (**inefficient**)
- **Preprocessing Procedures**
  - Reference Clock:** Timestamps from the 15Hz devices (devices with highest frequency)
  - DataFrame:** Combined data using reference clock for quick analytics & visualization
  - Parquet+Snappy:** Reduced disk utilization by 20x and accelerates read/write ops

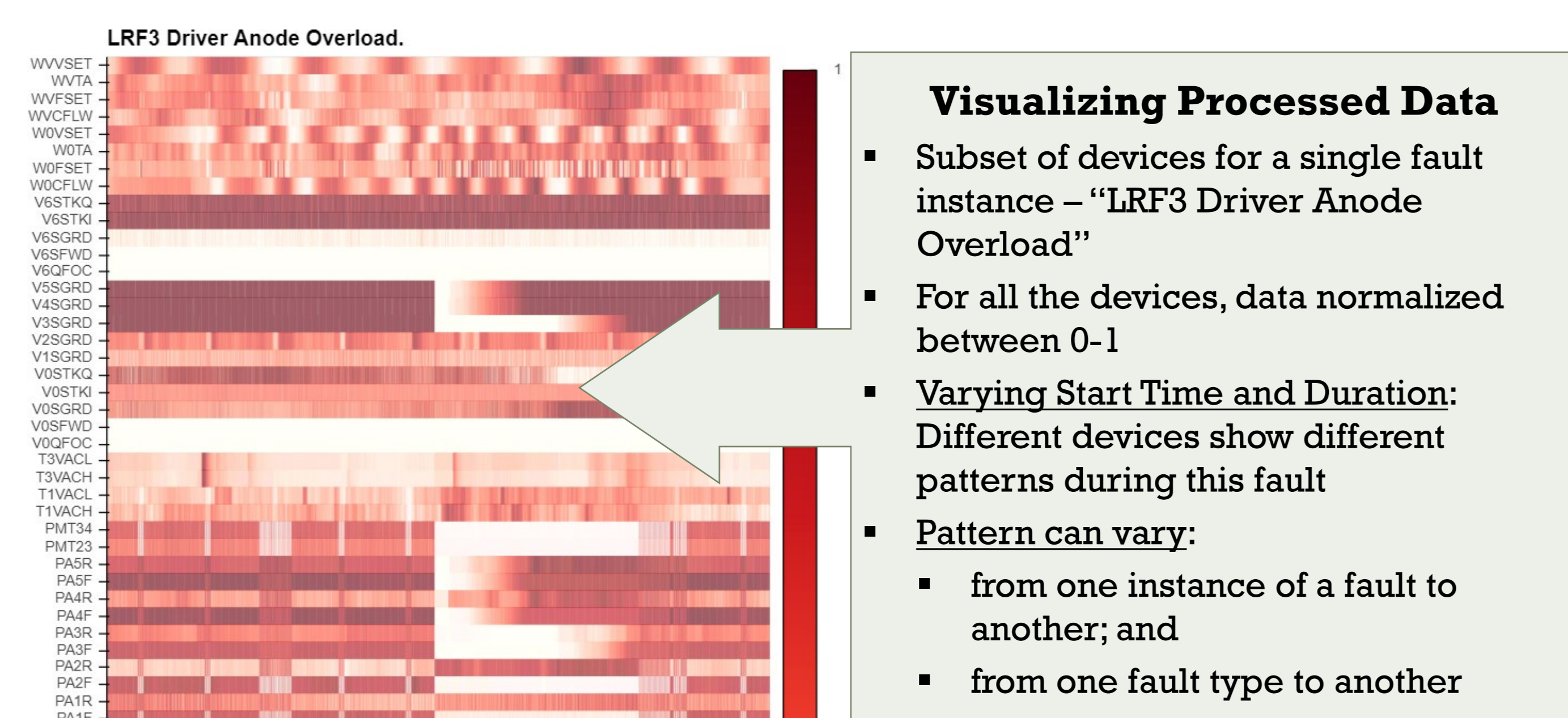


Figure-1: Heatmap Visualization of a Fault

Table-2: Performance Comparison - Thresholding, Filtering, and TADGAN. Data for March 2021

	#Devices	True Positives	False Negatives	False Positives	Precision	Recall	F1-Score
<b>Thresholding</b>	2081	99	13	210	0.32	0.88	0.47
<b>Filtering</b>	2081	105	7	279	0.27	0.94	0.42
<b>TADGAN</b>	53	51	61	443	0.1	0.45	0.17

- Overall, statistical techniques better (high recall) than TADGAN
- However, statistical techniques tend to perform poorly for:
  - Devices with multi-modalities
  - Real-time inference (smaller windows)
- High false positive rate: no operators label for faults <1min
- Ensemble of statistical and ML models required for a scalable and accurate fault detection framework
- Variation in patterns can be exploited for unsupervised labeling (see Figure 3 and 4)

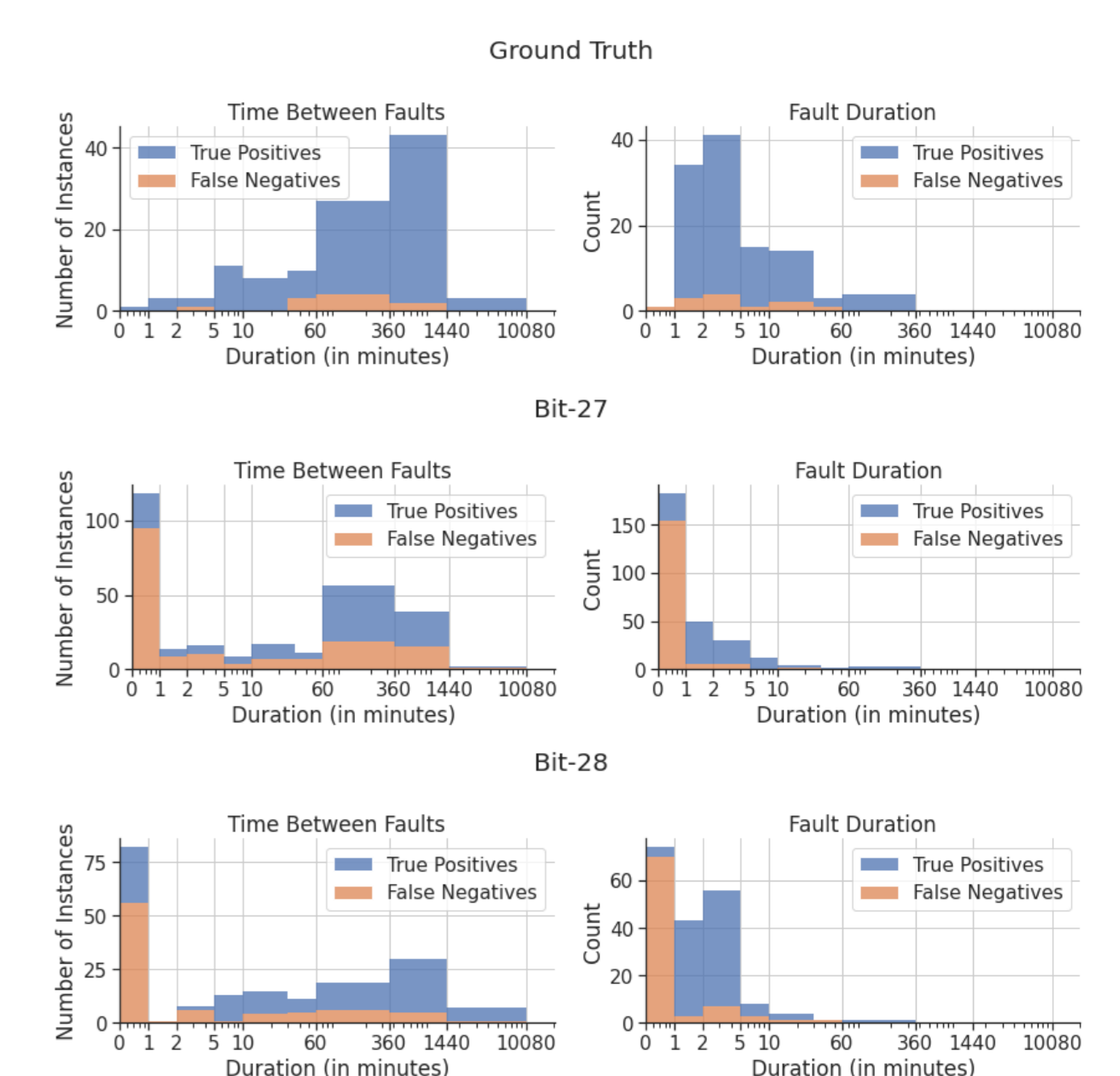


Figure-5: Evaluating the False Negatives

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