

# Phenomenology and node-level processing of MASINT sensor data across distributed sensor networks

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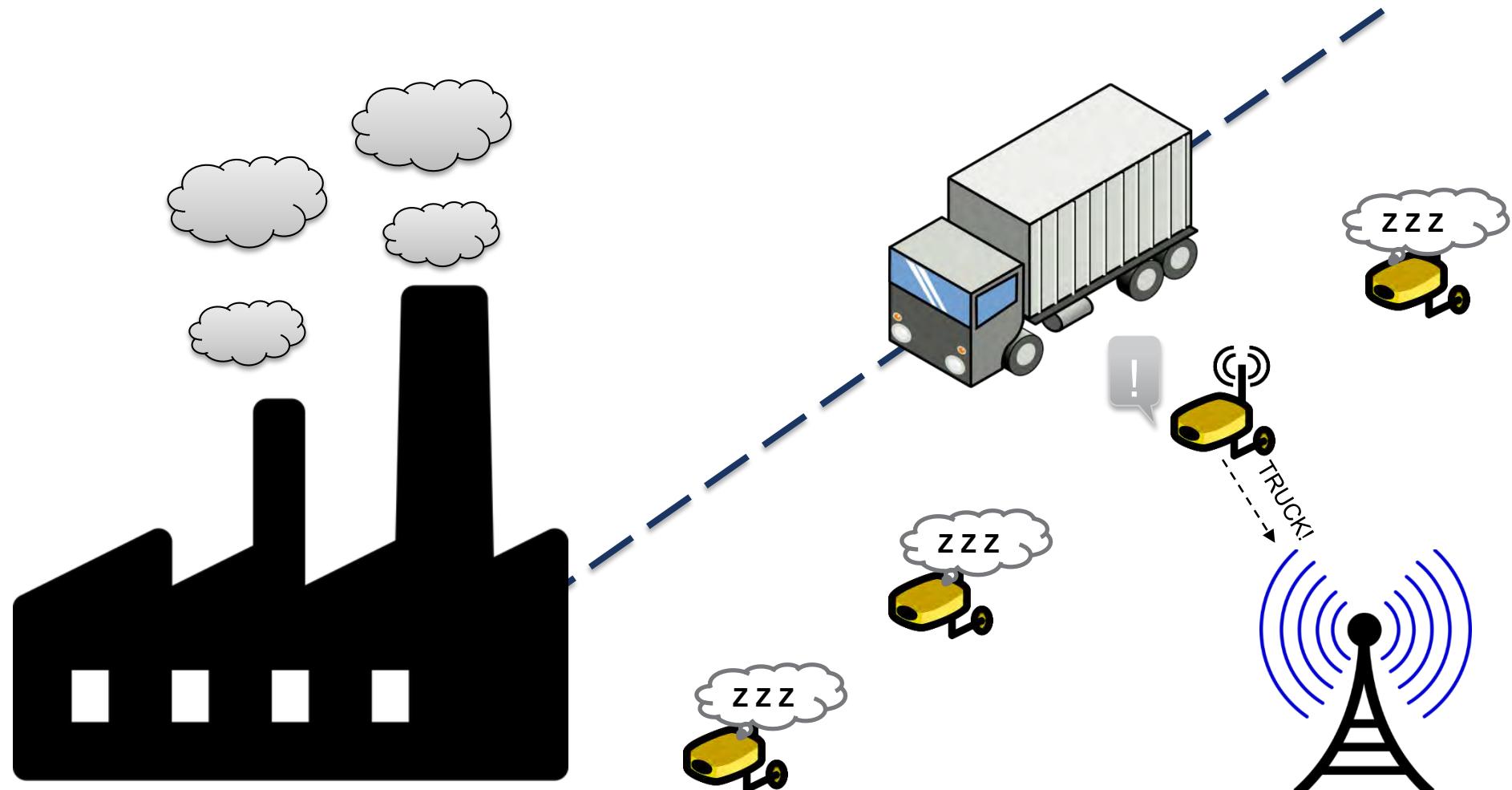
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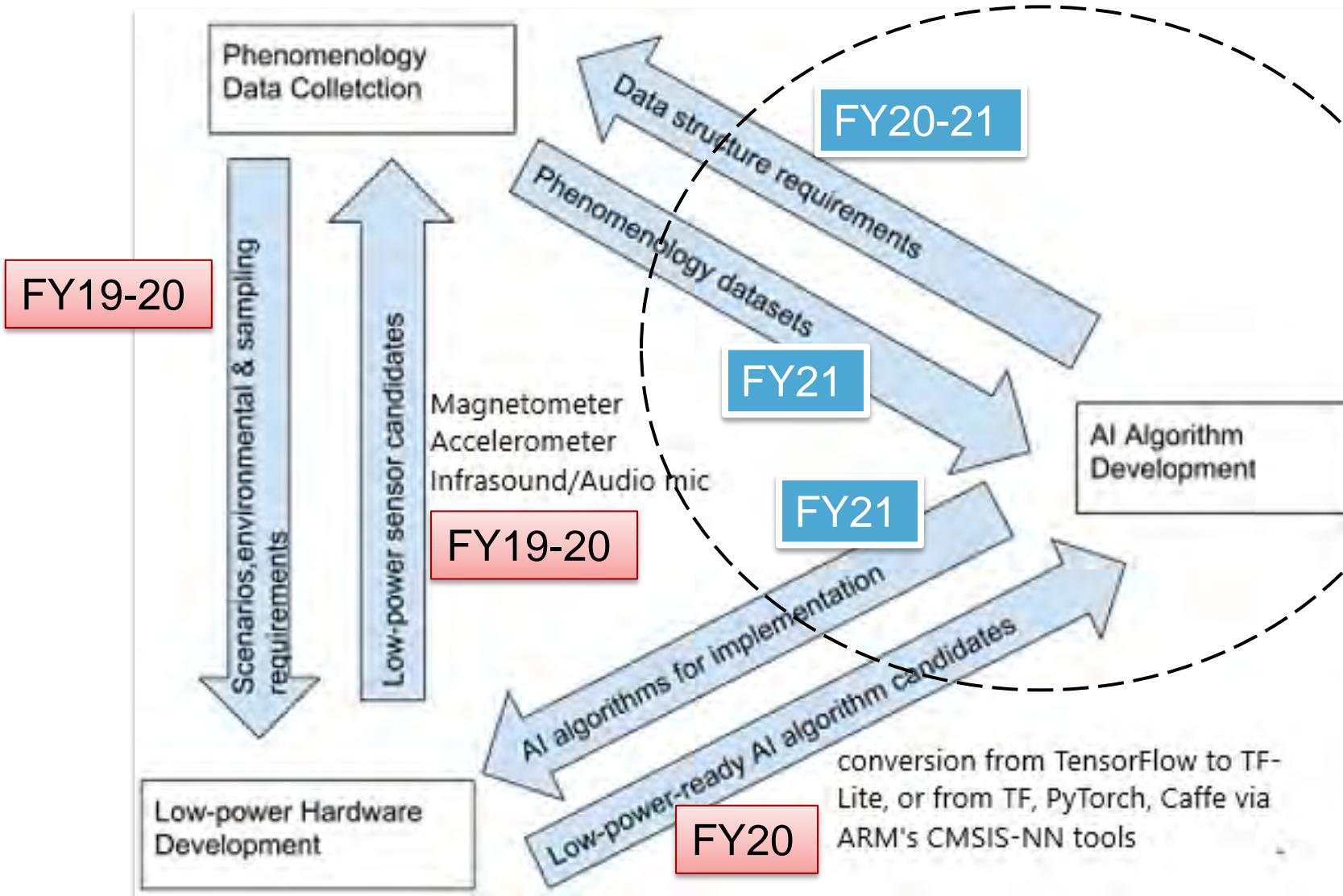
# Challenge

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# Progress over three-year project

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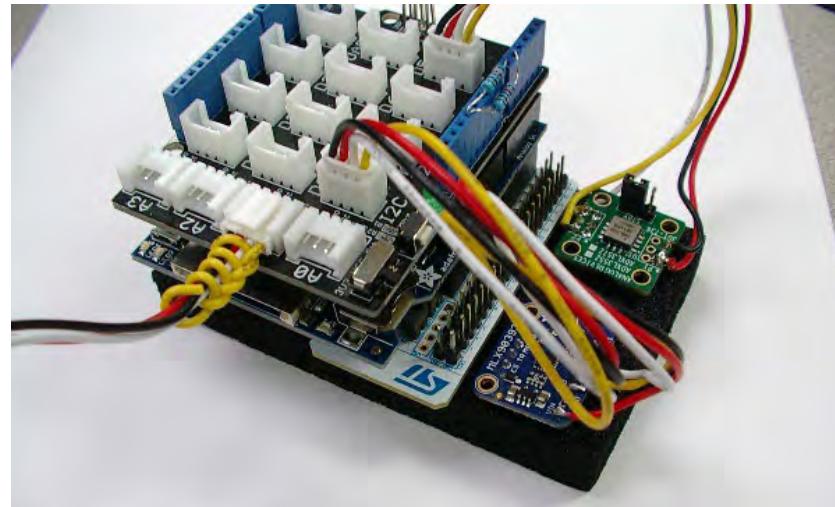
# Innovation

## ► Edge-based sensor approach

- Allows each node to collect data and make classifications
- Multiple nodes allow for better vehicle tracking
- Microphone, magnetometer, accelerometer

## ► Machine learning in microcontroller

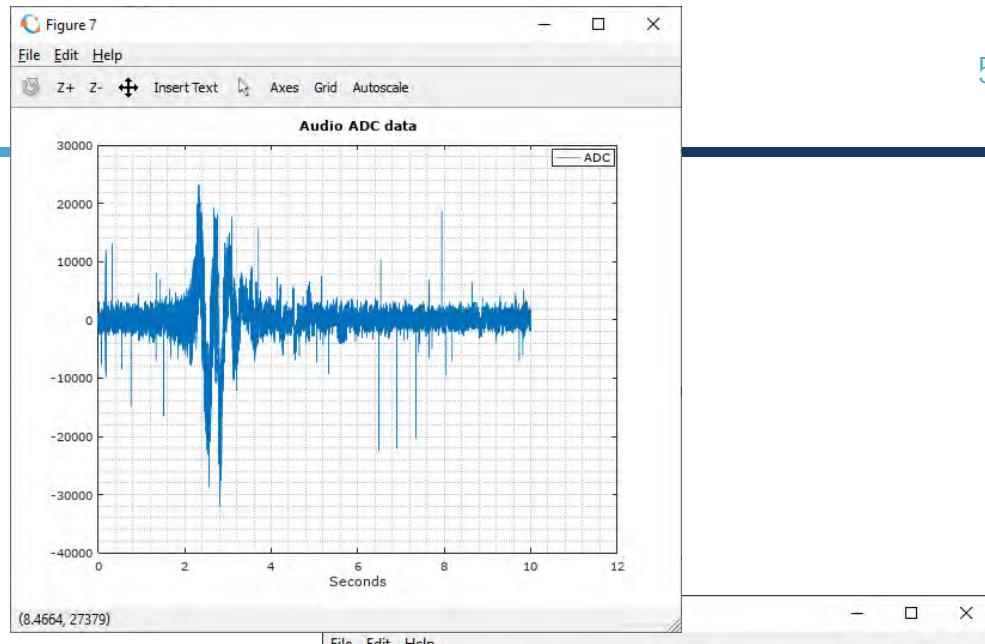
- Implementing Tensorflow Lite model on microcontroller
- Microcontroller is able to make decisions based on patterns and not just data



# Technical Approach

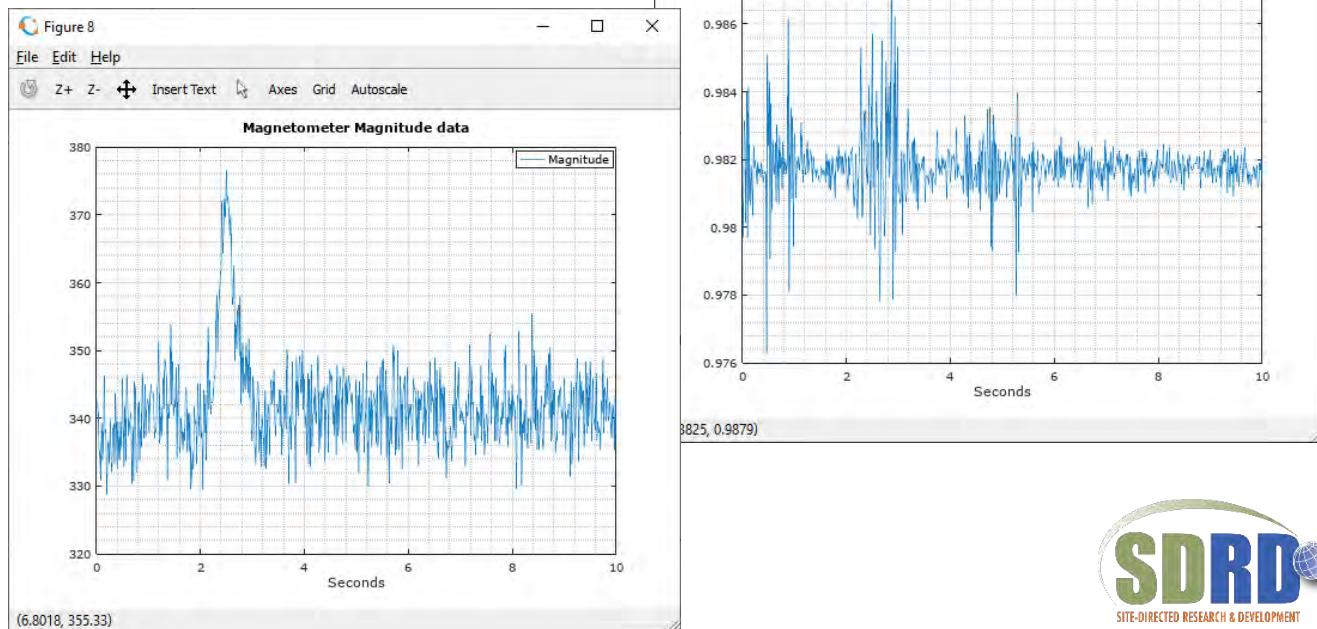
## ► Designed hardware platform

- Microphone/ADC
- Accelerometer
- Magnetometer
- GPS
- SD Card



## ► Data collected

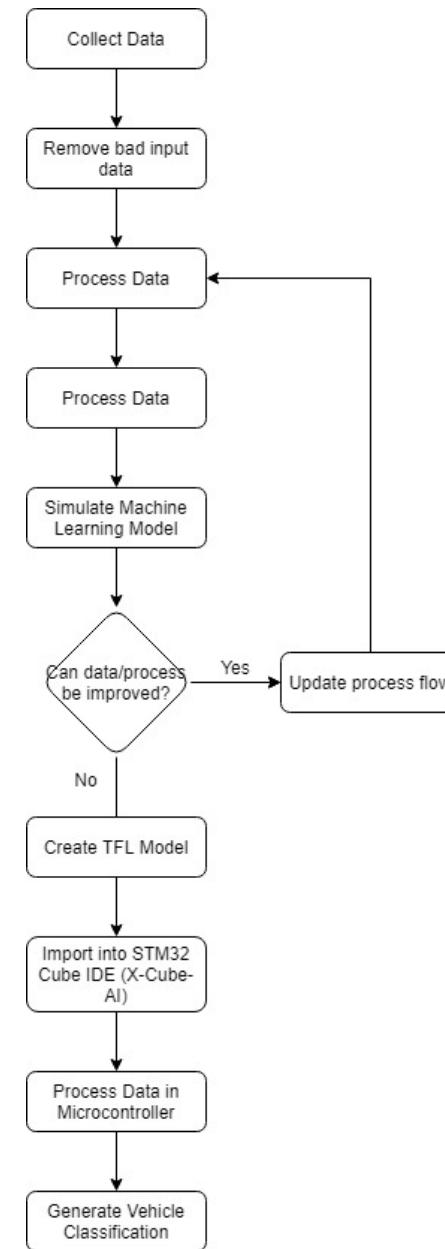
- Car
- Van
- SUV
- Flatbed



# Technical Approach – Data Collection

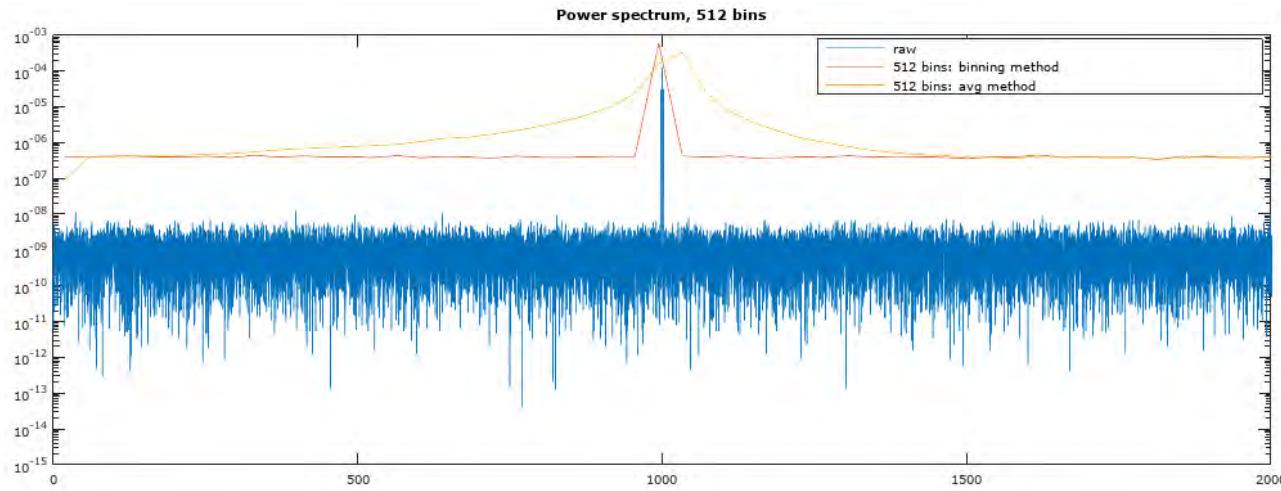
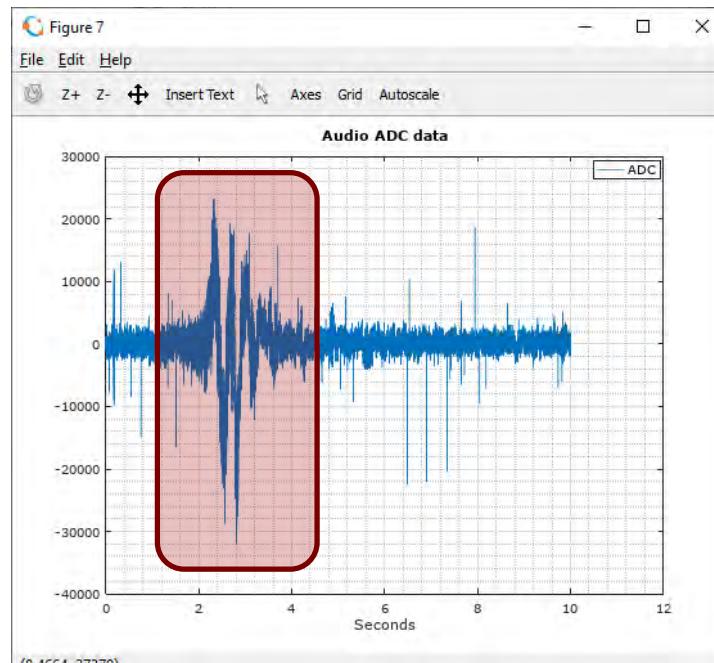
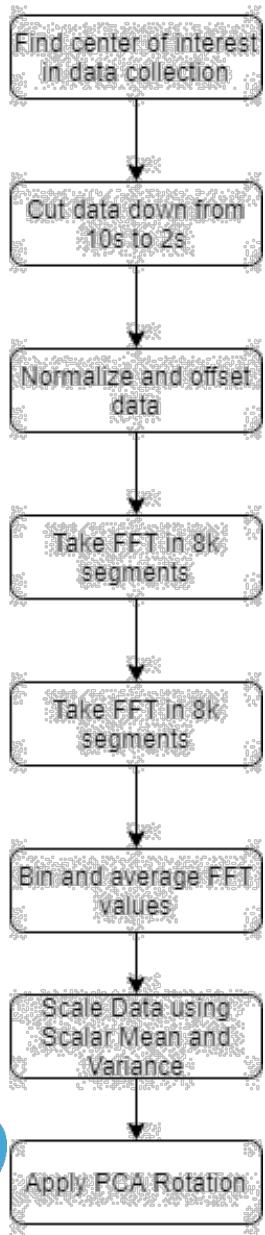
## ► Condition data

- Remove bad input data
- Process data
  - Reduce data size from 10s to 2s
  - Condition data to create usable ML model data
- Generate and test ML model
- Optimize data and model
  - Limited resources on microcontroller
    - RAM
    - Flash
  - Need to process data resource efficiently
- Generate vehicle classification



# Technical Approach – Data Processing

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# Results

- ▶ Model simulated in Tensorflow
- ▶ Data optimized and processed in Octave
- ▶ PCA output array fed into microcontroller model using custom vehicle simulation tool
  - Sends generated PCA arrays to microcontroller to determine vehicle classification
  - Classification data sent back to tool from micro for accuracy calculations

Form1

Serial

CSV File

Expected	Car	Van	SUV	Flatbed	Number Correct
Car	190	0	0	1	190
Van	0	191	0	0	191
SUV	0	1	181	0	181
Flatbed	0	0	0	206	206

Expected	Car	Van	SUV	Flatbed	Percent Correct
Car	99.476...	0%	0%	0.5235...	99.4764397...
Van	0%	100%	0%	0%	100%
SUV	0%	0.5494...	99.450...	0%	99.4505494...
Flatbed	0%	0%	0%	100%	100%

Line 0: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 1: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 2: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 3: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 4: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 5: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 6: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 7: Expected Car, Detected Car  
 Line 8: Expected Car, Detected Car

# Summary of Results, Path Forward

- ▶ Proven microcontroller capability
  - Collect data
  - Process data
  - Infer vehicle classification
  - Accuracy with current vehicle data very accurate (99%+)
  
- ▶ Additional goals
  - Complete data processing on microcontroller
  - Implement additional sensors in vehicle classification
    - Currently, primarily focused on audio data

# Impact

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- ▶ Follow-on project 21-BRASSBOARD, with IC partner
- ▶ Engagement with DNN projects:
  - MINOS, Persistent DyNAMICS, ADAPD – MERLYN sensors
  - AP3LS
- ▶ Emerging and special opportunities addressed:
  - SNM movement
  - Data analytics
- ▶ Gaps addressed:
  - Data science
  - Proliferation detection
  - Rapid threat analysis
  - Data-driven analytics solution architectures
- ▶ Mentorship:
  - 2 summer interns mentored by senior staff over three-year project
  - 2 former summer interns hired on full-time to work on project