

# Advanced Network Management *a.k.a.*

## AIOps: **AI for IT Operations**

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# Roadmap

- **Self-Introduction**
- Course Logistics
- What is AIOps?
- Course Coverage (Website)
- Assignments and Projects
- Internet Basics

# How to pronounce “Pei”?

Just pronounce “Pei” as “Pay”

In fact, just call me “Dan”

Louvre Museum



I-M Pei: the famous architect who designed the glass pyramid



# About the Instructor

- Tenured Associate Professor.
- UCLA Ph.D. Best Ph.D. Thesis Award in UCLA CS in 2005.
- Joined Tsinghua CS Department in December 2012
- Homepage: <http://netman.aiops.org/~peidan>
- Previously a Principal Researcher at AT&T Research, a co-founder and founding CEO of a mobile health company in Beijing, before joining Tsinghua.
- Supervised interns from CMU, Cornell, Princeton, UCLA, GaTech, Michigan, Northwestern etc. Now @ Google, MSR, IBM, Purdue, Northeastern, HKUST
- ACM/IEEE Senior Member



# My Research Group @ Tsinghua: NetMan

- Currently advising 16 Ph.D. and M.S. students at Tsinghua.
- Two affiliated assistant professors and three post-docs

- Graduated 11 PhDs ( 3 went to MSRA, three became assistant/associate professors, two became CEO/director in a startup, one Went to Alibaba)



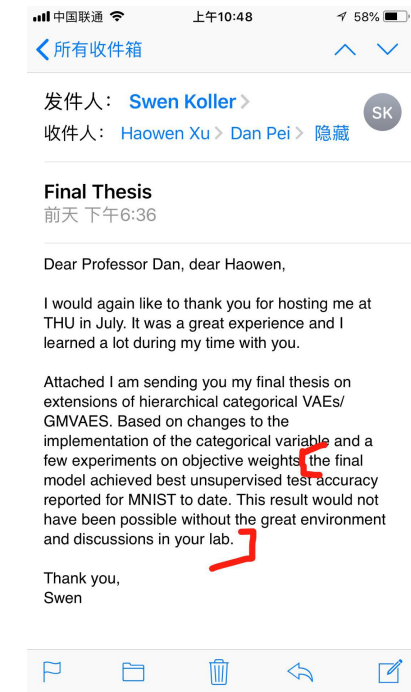
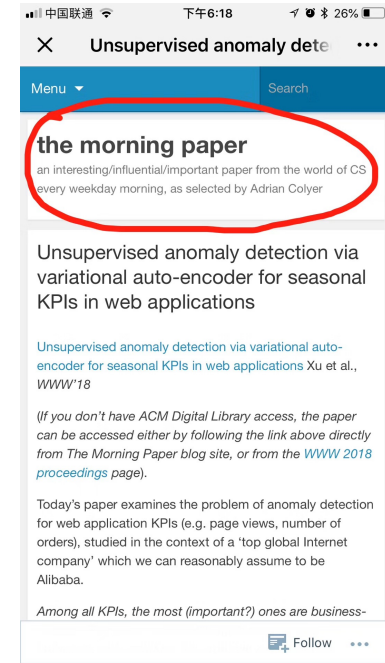
# Industry Collaborators



# Publications:

100+ AIOps papers and 20+ issued US Patents. Published in SIGCOMM、WWW、SIGMETRICS、TON、INFOCOM、IMC、CoNEXT etc.

Research results are covered by technology media such as MIT technology Review, Hacker News, Mother Board, Morning paper, and many Chinese media.



## MIT Technology Review

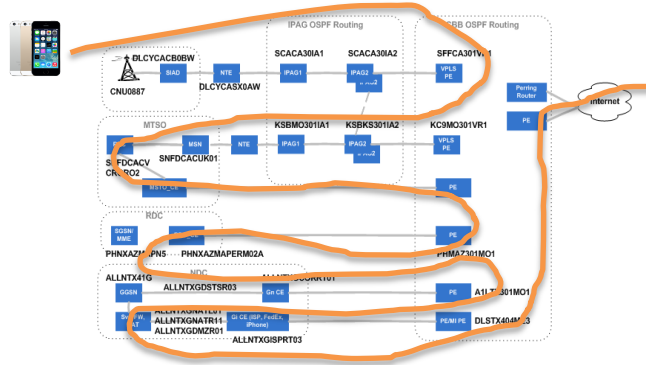
### Mobile Data Mining Solves the Mystery of Your Slow Wi-Fi Connection

Chinese researchers have worked out the reasons for why Wi-Fi can take so long to connect.



# AIOps : Autonomous IT Operations through Machine Learning

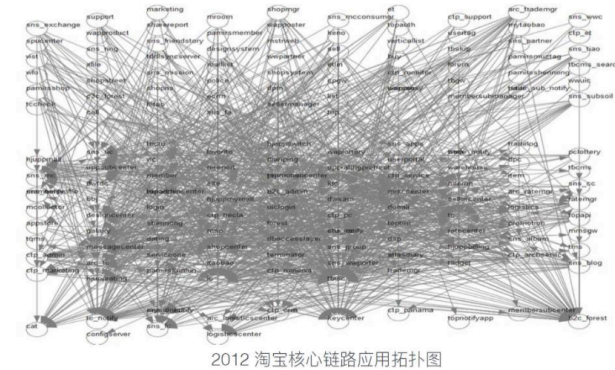
Large & complex access network



Large & complex data center



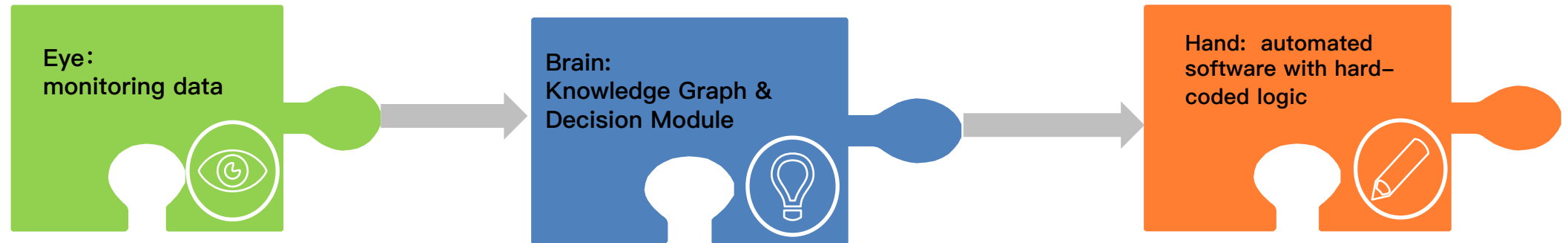
Large & complex application software



- Imagine that you are running an Internet-based service with hundreds of thousands of servers and many software modules, a large, complex, cross-layer, and rapidly evolving distributed system.
- You want to achieve 99.999% service reliability, but machine-generated monitoring data and hundreds of operators (IT operation engineers) alone won't get you there, because of the high complexity and sheer scale of the software/hardware system and the vast amount of machine-generated data.
- Machine learning is the direction to enable Autonomous IT Operations autonomous.



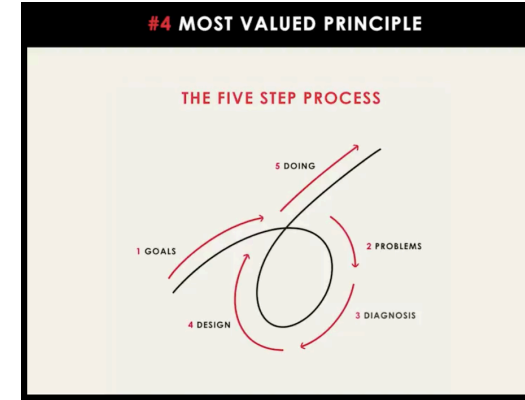
# AIOps Architecture & Algorithms



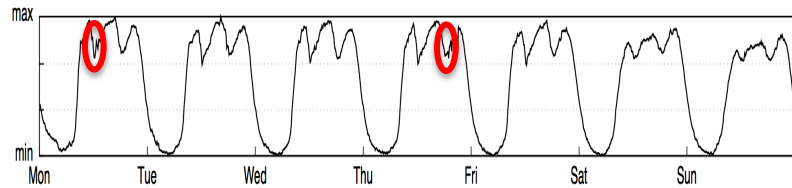
- The major topics of AIOps often coincide with its more general counterparts in Machine Learning:
  1. Anomaly Detection in Time Series, Logs (semi-structured text), Traces (program execution trace), and Graphs
  2. Anomaly Localization
  3. Failure/Event Prediction
  4. Causal Inference and its application in Root Cause Analysis
- State-of-art Machine Learning Algorithms are applied to solve the unique challenges in AIOps:
  1. Deep Neural Networks for Time Series or Sequence
  2. Deep Generative Model (VAE, GAN)
  3. Deep Reinforcement Learning
  4. Natural Language Processing
  5. Causal Inference

# My research methodology: From Practice, into Practice

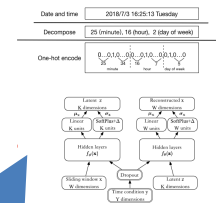
- 1. Discover challenging problems from Practice (specifically, IT Operations)
- 2. Design AI Algorithms to solve problem
- 3. Deploy the algorithms in practice. If not working perfectly? go to step 1.



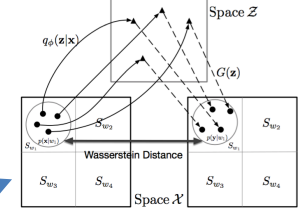
## Example project: time series anomaly detection



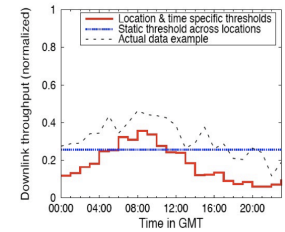
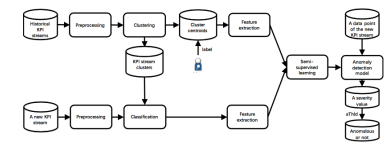
**IPCC 2018**  
Conditional VAE to detect seasonality-violating anomalies



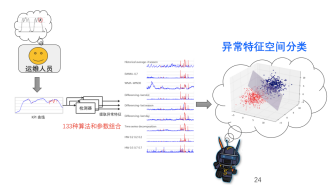
**INFOCOM 2019**  
Adversarial Training +VAE



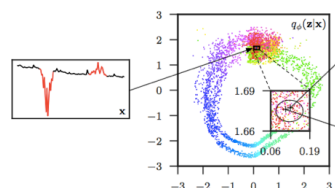
**IPCC 2018**  
Semi-supervised learning for fast anomaly detection of new time series



(a) Location 1



IMC 2015



WWW2018

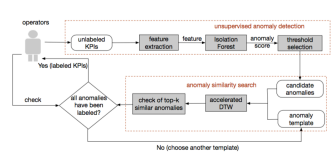
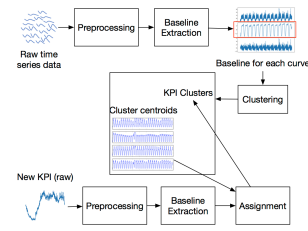
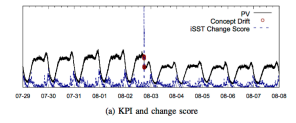


Figure 2: The overall framework of Label-Less.

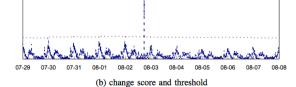
INFOCOM 2019



IWQOS 2018



(a) KPI and change score



(b) change score and threshold

ISSRE 2018 Best Paper

INFOCOM 2012

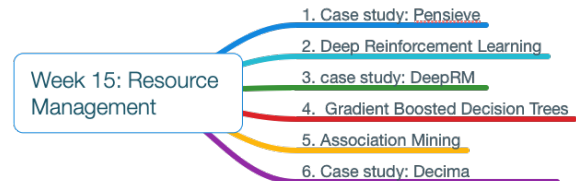
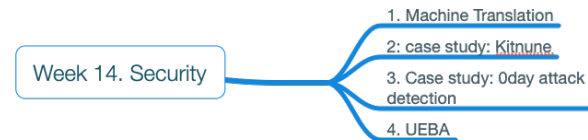
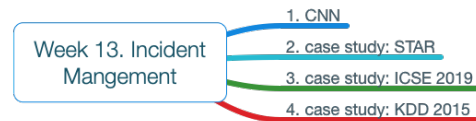
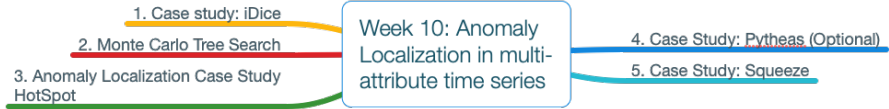
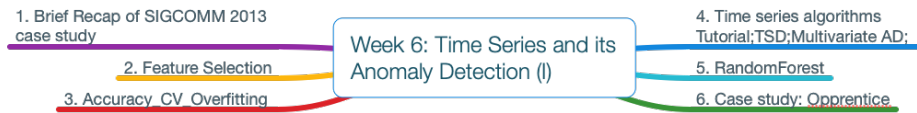
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# Summary

- AIOps is an interdisciplinary research field between Machine Learning and Systems/Networking, which is why this course had this historical title “Advanced Network Management”. If you are interested in learning how a large distributed system can be better run with the help of machine learning, this course is for you. If you want to learn how machine learning can help solve challenging problems in a very complex system, this course is for you.
- This course will cover the latest progress in major topics of AIOps using case studies from recent research papers in top conferences in all major computer science fields, including Machine Learning, Data Mining, System/Networking, Software Engineering, Database, Multimedia, etc
- Through these case studies, we will show how the latest Machine Learning Algorithms are applied to solve the unique challenges in AIOps. The basics of these Machine Learning algorithms will be briefly reviewed in an easy-to-understand way, without going through the detailed theory behind them. Thus by the end of the course, you will be able to learn roughly how these algorithms work, and how it can be applied to solve real-world problems.







# Course Requirements

- Course website: <http://course.aiops.org>
- **Prerequisites:** You are expected to be familiar with at least one programming language, preferably Python.
  - If not, please quickly learn one.
- Encourage interaction and discussion
  - stop me and ask questions at any time!
  - You get credits for interaction

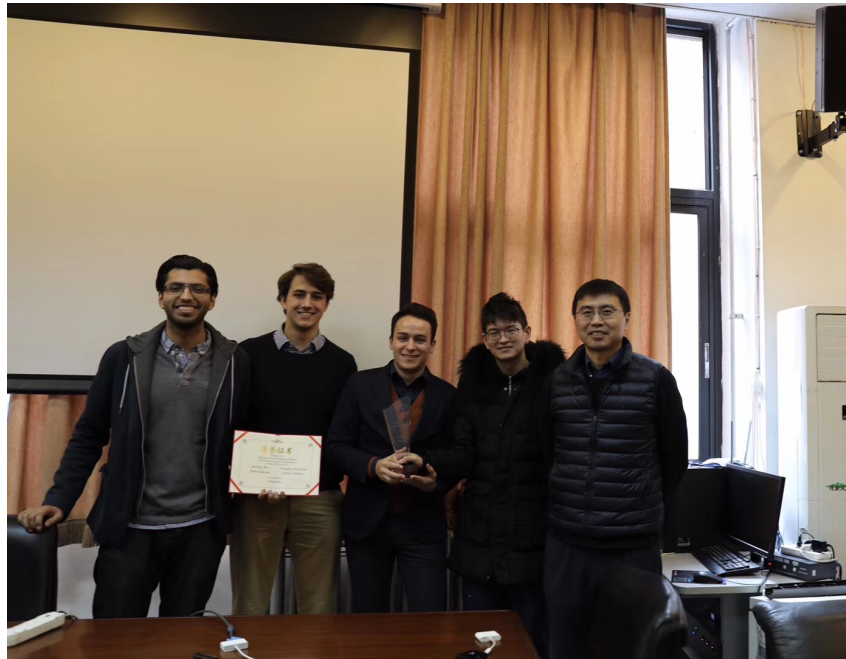
# Course Info

- Time: Wednesday **9:50pm-12:15pm** (Weeks 1,2,3, 6-16)
  - 14 classes, each has three 45-minute sessions.
- Session 1: Machine Learning Basics
- Sessions 2 & 3: AIOps case studies
- Office Hours:
  - After every class.

# Grading:

- Attendance & Interaction: **10%**
  - Presence: 0.5% for each lecture in Weeks 3, 6-15. 5.5% in total
  - 1% for each question asked or answered. 4.5% maximum.
- Assignments: **30%** (each student finishes each assignment alone)
  - Assignment 1: 10%
  - Assignment 2: 20%
- Project: **60%** (A project team of 2 or 3 students)
  - Ranking in algorithm competition & report: 50%
  - Presentation in week 16 (scored by all students, TA, and instructor): 10%
- The final grade will be in letter grading scale (e.g., A,B,C,D)

# Algorithm Competition

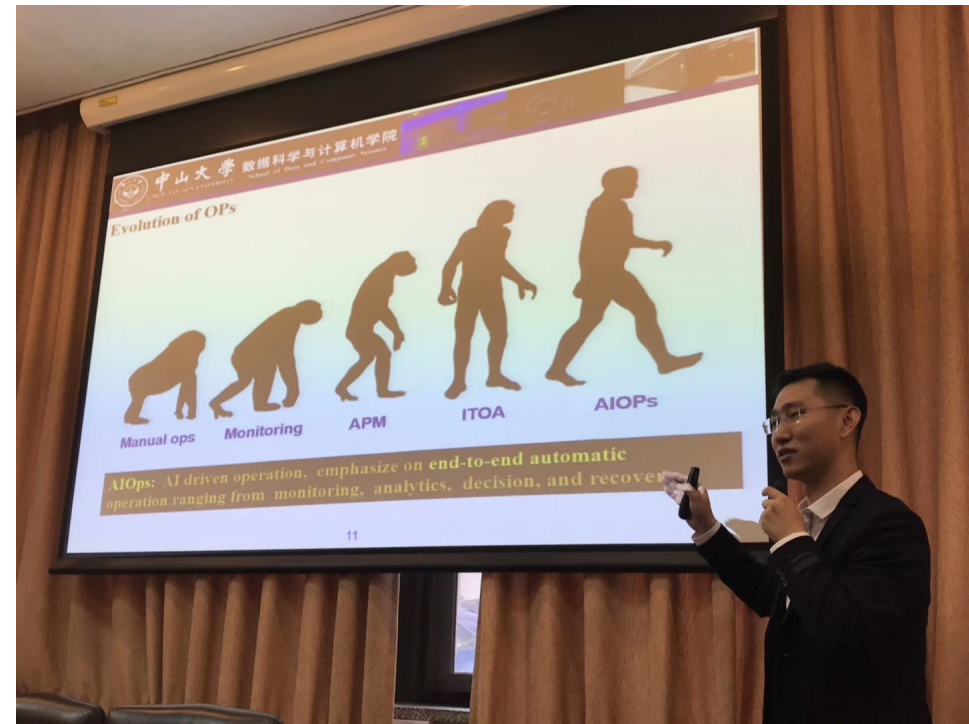


Autumn 2018  
Advanced Network Management Project  
KPI Anomaly Detection Competition  
Certificate of Achievement

Jiacheng Wu                      Thaddäus Wiedemer  
Pieter Barkema                      Arturo Arellano

was Designated as  
**First Prize**

# Invited Talks



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# Case Studies: Papers and Slides

- Already Posted on the course website
  - Maybe updated before each class, so please check the website weekly.
- Lecture Coverage
  - You were supposed to read these papers carefully
- Reading List
  - Relevant papers, read them if you have time



# Why reading papers/case studies?

- Purpose: background knowledge, algorithm, methodology, writing, design principle, solution inspiration, evaluation methodology for the problem you are working on, and (sometimes) vision.
- My strongly biased personal opinion: Papers are not for finding topics for your next paper.
  - Instead, “From Practice, into Practice”: E.g. try existing algorithms in papers in practice to discover where it does not work

# What's a good paper

- A new and important problem, solid solution.
- Old and challenging problem, a new *simple but elegant* solution, with straightforward insight and intuition behind it.

# Using Google Scholar to find relevant papers (demo)

- Browse latest proceedings of relevant conferences, find one relevant paper  $p$ . *Relevant paper set*  $S=\{p\}$

for (each new  $p$  in  $S$ ) {

    Browse  $p$ 's references, and put relevant ones into  $S$ ;

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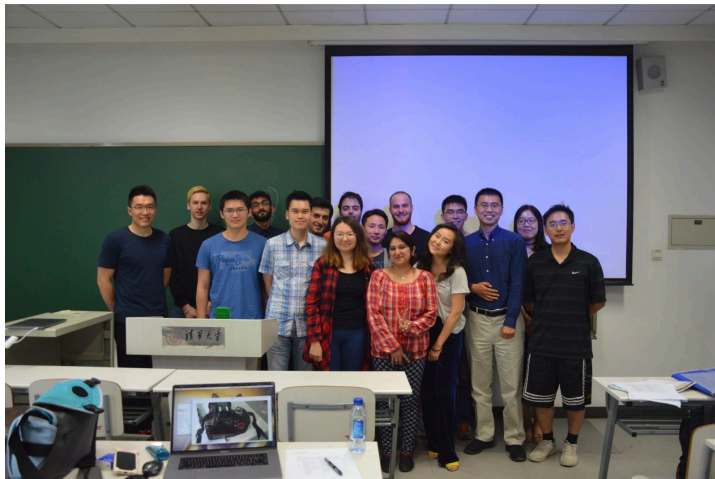
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# Enjoy the course!



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