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# Deep Learning: Transference and Explainability

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# Classroom

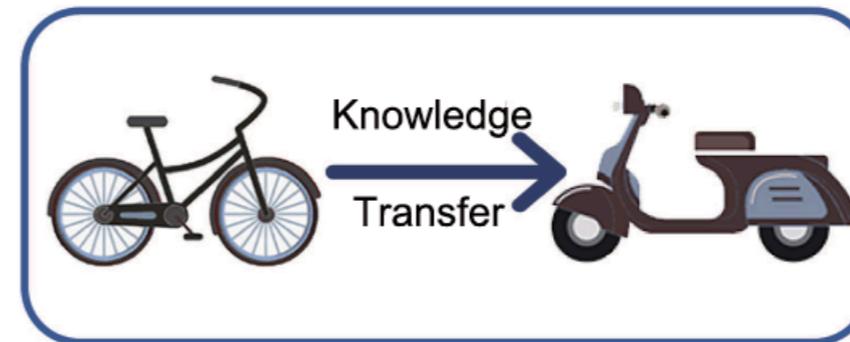
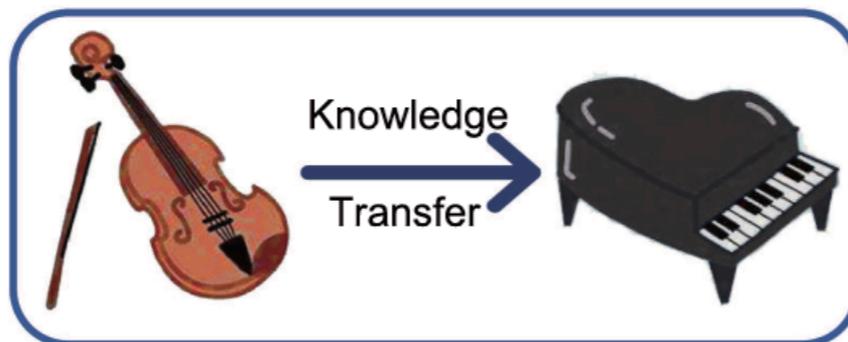
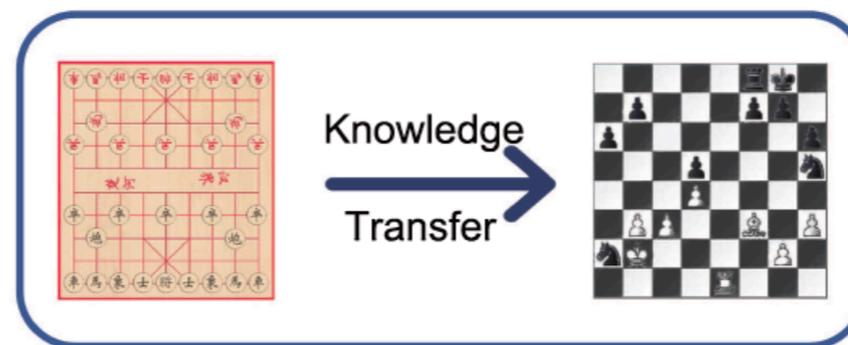
**Transfer Learning!**



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# Transfer Learning

- ❖ Improve the performance of **target learners** on **target domains** by transferring the knowledge contained in **related source domains**.



# Transfer Learning

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- ❖ Homogeneous Transfer Learning:  $\mathcal{X}_{SOURCE} = \mathcal{X}_{TARGET}$
- ❖ Heterogeneous Transfer Learning:  $\mathcal{X}_{SOURCE} \neq \mathcal{X}_{TARGET}$

Source: K. Weiss, T. M. Khoshgoftaar, and D. Wang. 2016. A survey of transfer learning.  
Journal of Big Data 3 (2016), 9.



Medicine (Melanoma)



Satellite



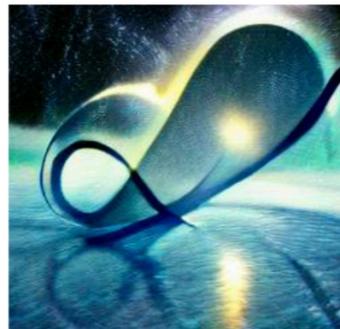
# Project IDeepS

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- ❖ Classificação de imagens via redes neurais profundas e grandes bases de dados para aplicações aeroespaciais.

## Project IDeepS

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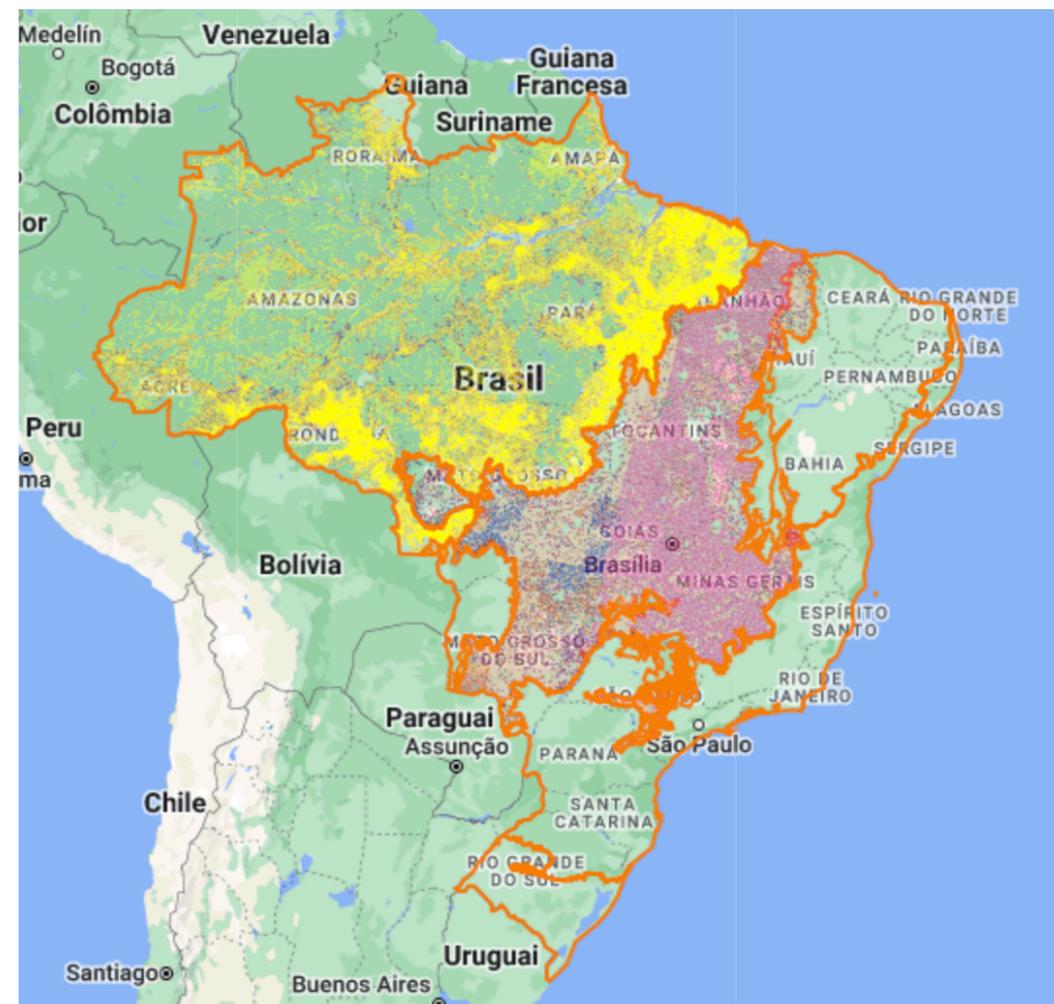
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Source: <https://github.com/vsantjr/IDeepS>

# IDeepS: Objective 1

- ❖ Large-scale investigation, deep neural networks (DNNs), satellite image classification.





# IDeepS: Objective 2

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- ❖ Best DNNs, drones, autonomy.





# IDeepS: Higher Objective

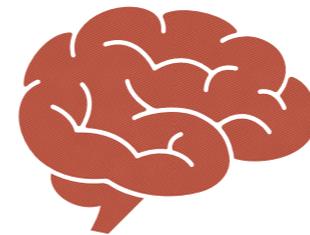
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**Recommendations/Suggestions**



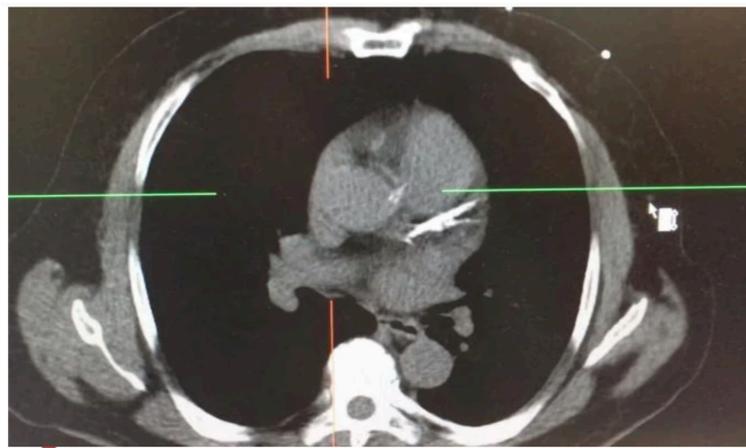
**Remote Sensing**

**Drones**

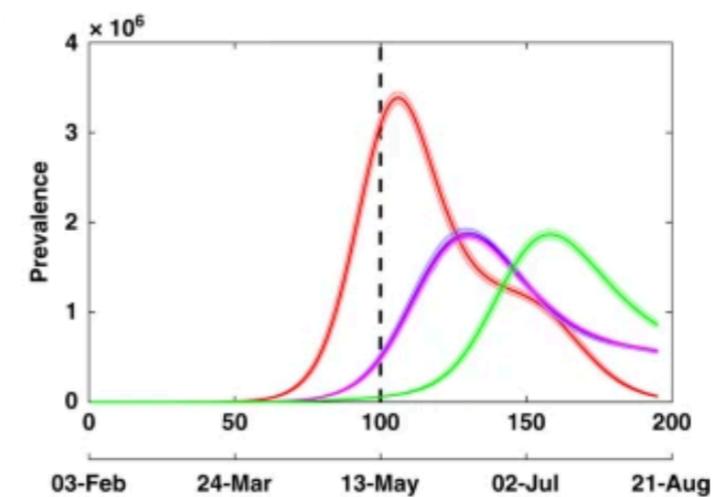


# Scientific Software Testing

- ❖ Scientific software: non-trivial outputs such as 2D, 3D.
- ❖ Testing is not straightforward: non-deterministic behaviour, non-trivial outputs, test automation (**oracle**).



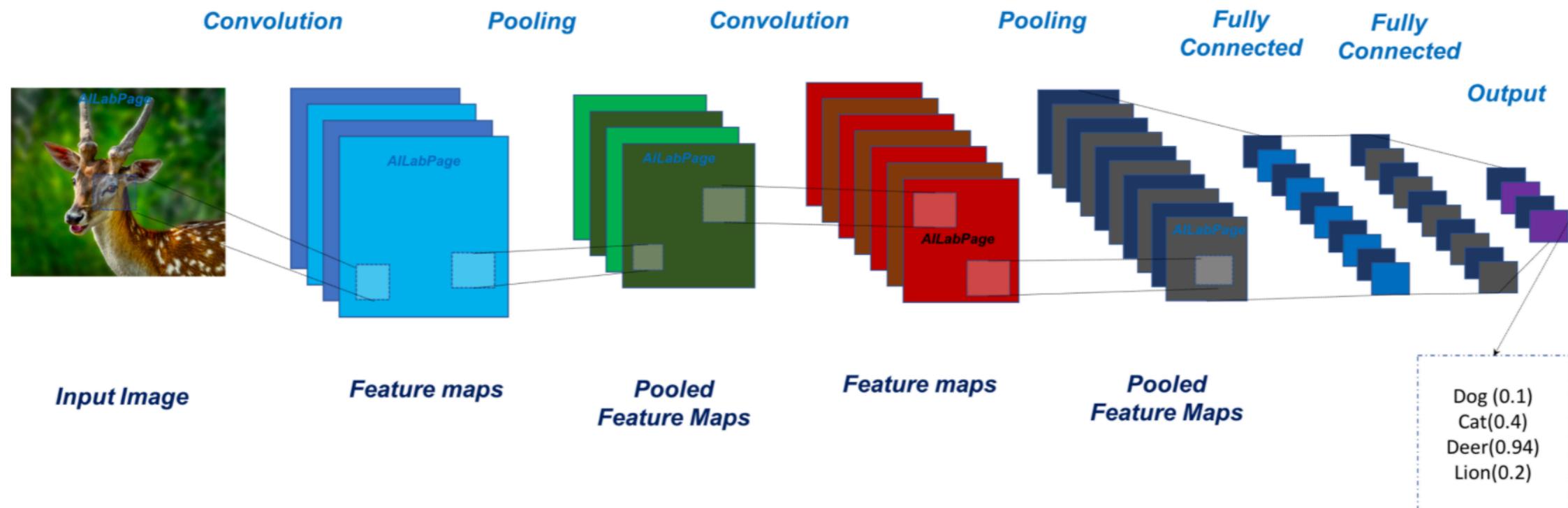
Medicine Software  
(CT scan)



Social / Biological Modelling  
(COVID-19)

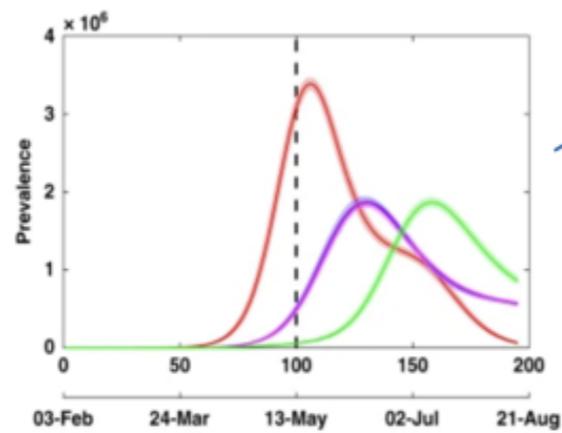
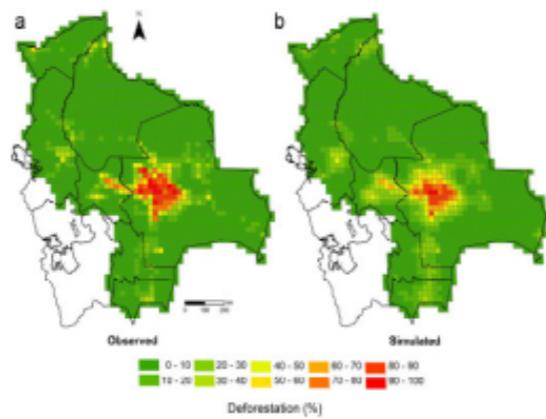
# Motivation

- ❖ Deep convolutional neural network (CNN).



# Motivation

## Outputs



## Test Oracle Procedure (CNN)



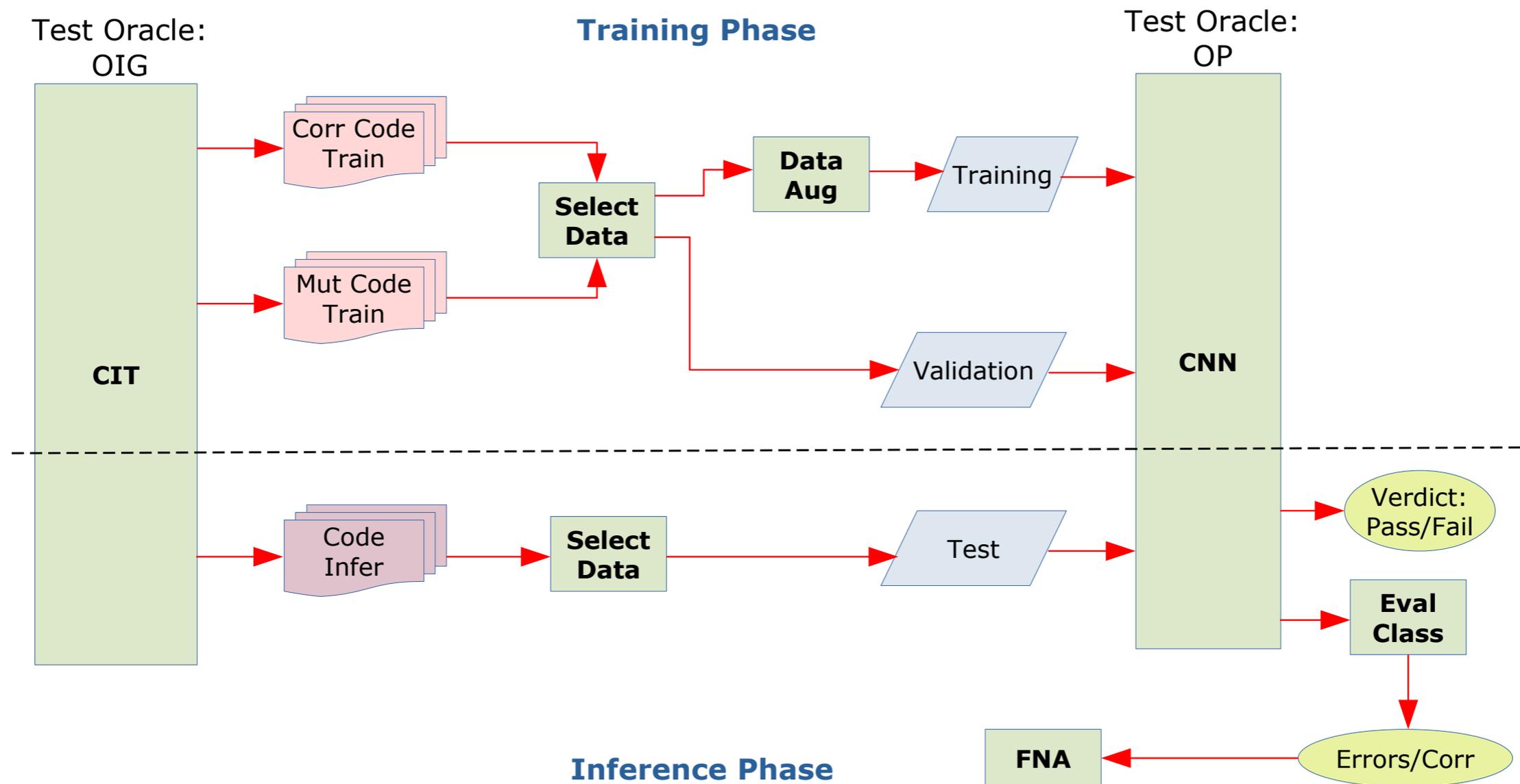


# This Study: Main Contributions

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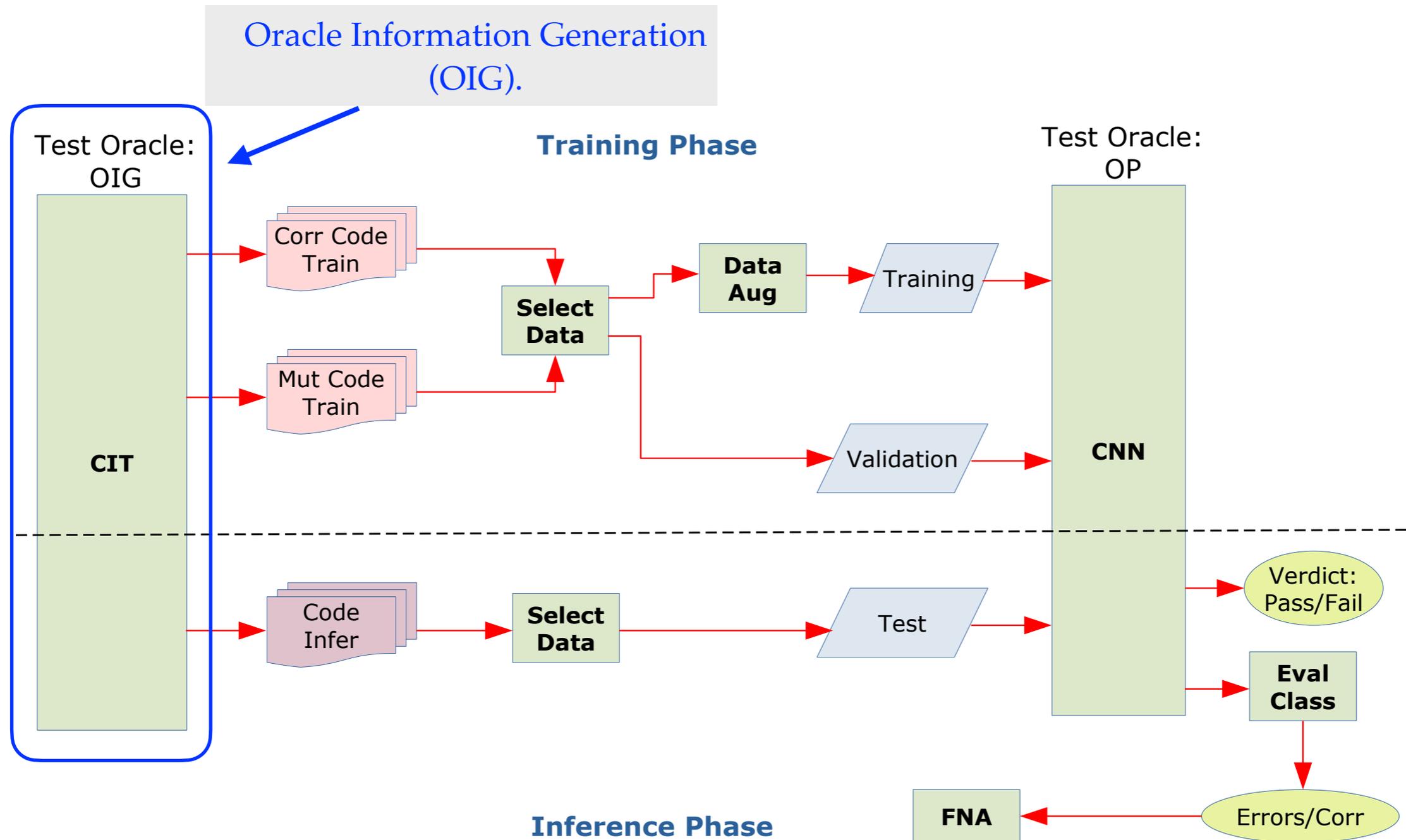
- ❖ Method: **Test Oracle based on CNN (TOrC)**.
- ❖ Technique: **Feature and Neighbourhood-based Analysis (FNA)**.

# The TOrC Method





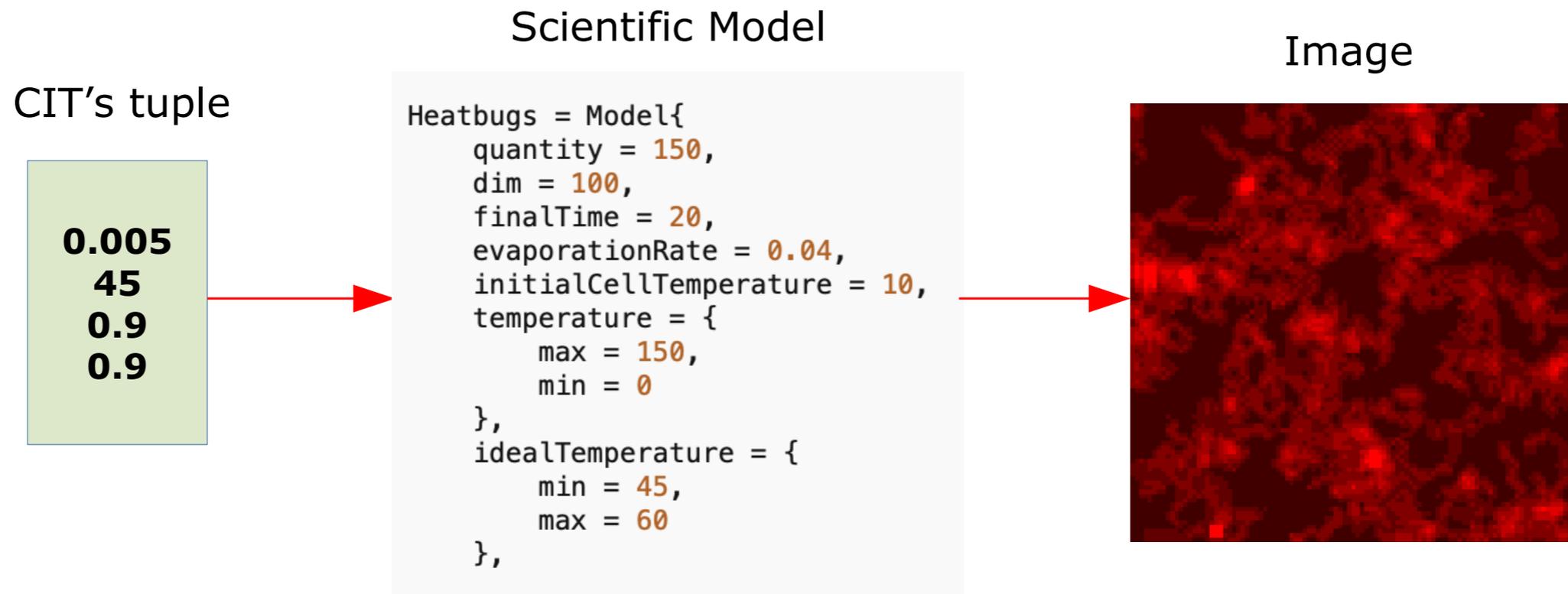
# TOrC: OIG



CIT = Combinatorial interaction testing.

# TOrC: Generating Images

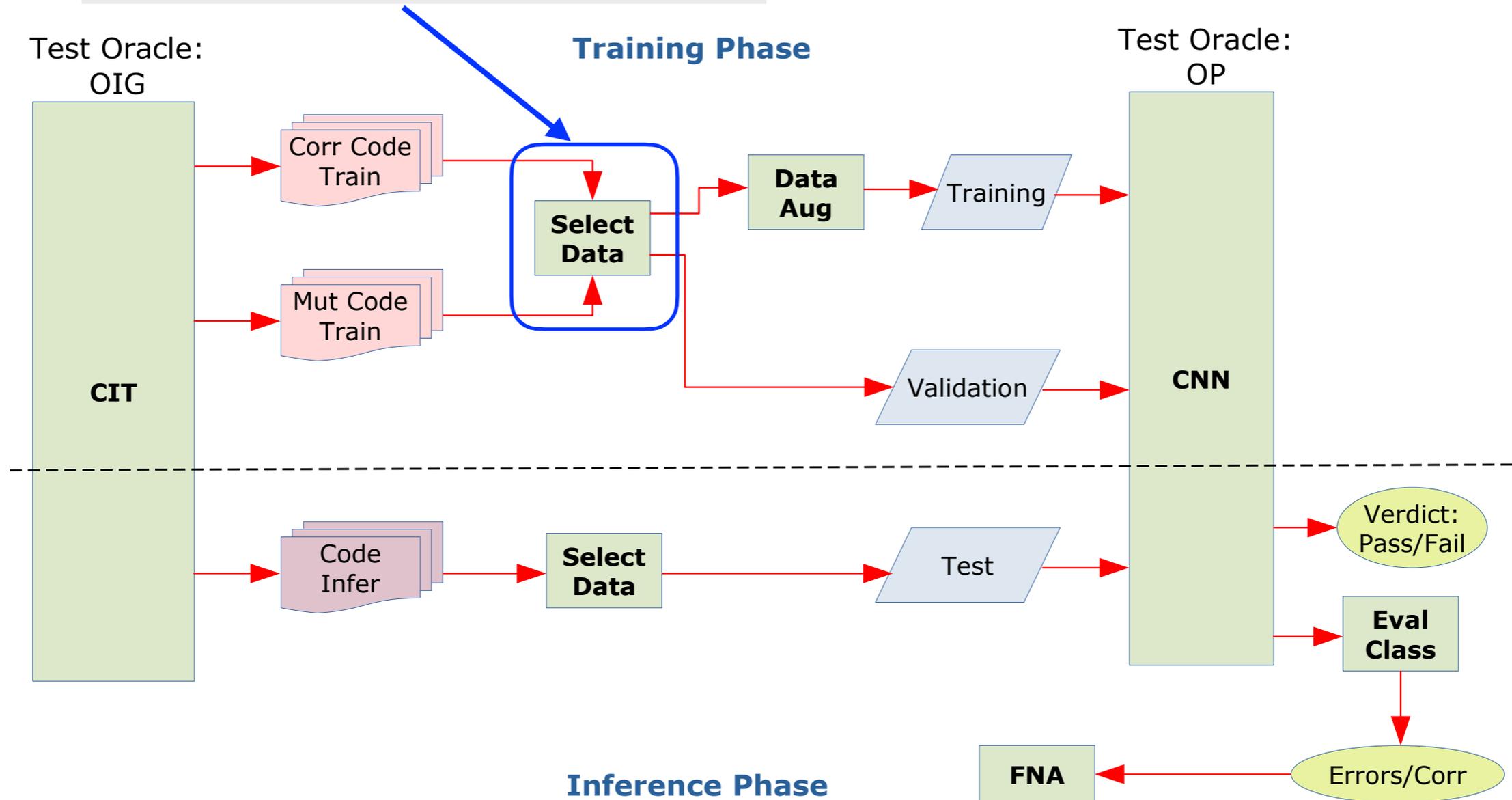
PS: Binary classification problem.



↑  
Correct codes (correct class) and  
second-order mutants (mutant class).

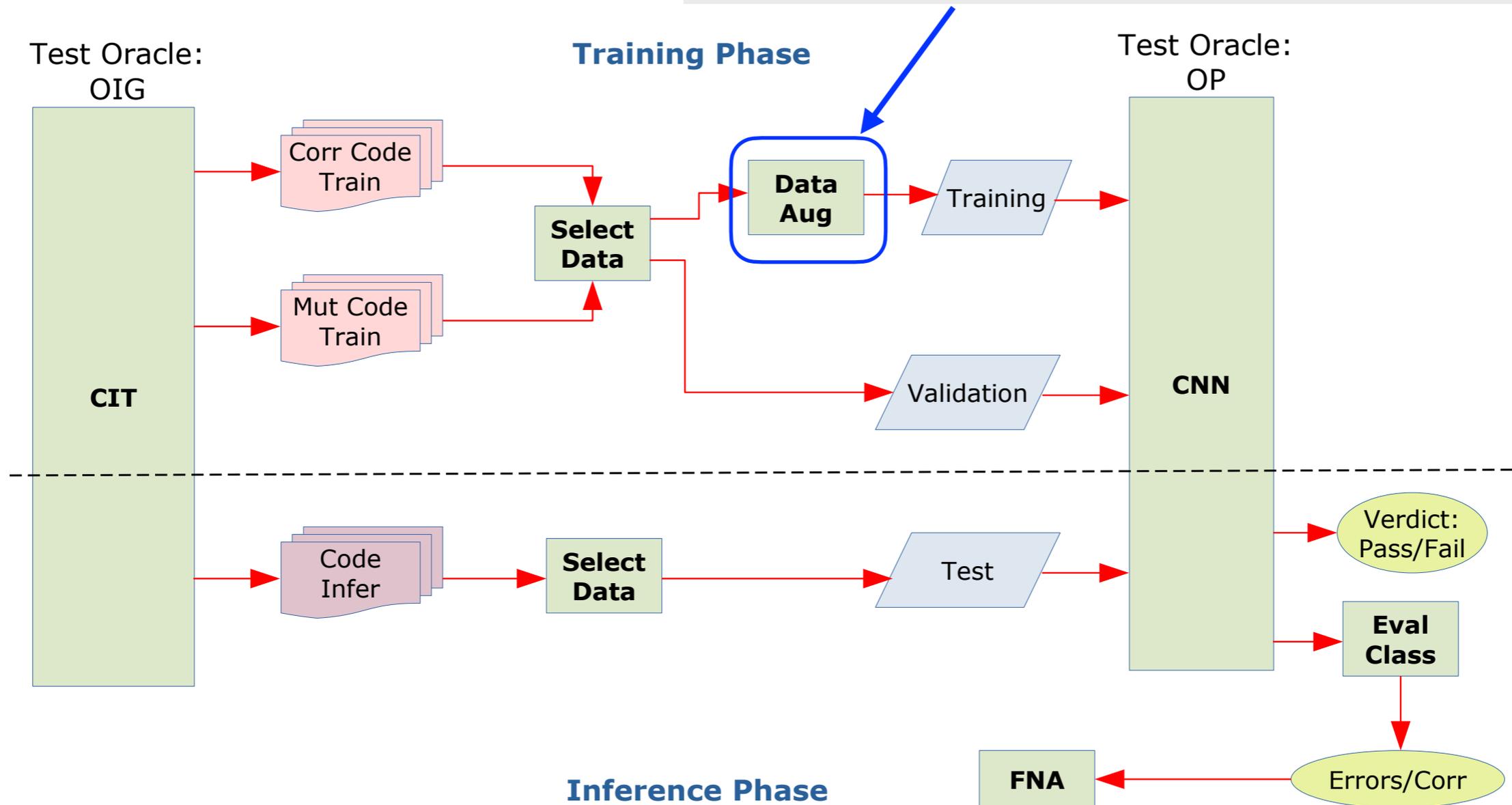
# TOrC: Select Data

Ranking based on image similarity metrics (get more dissimilar images).



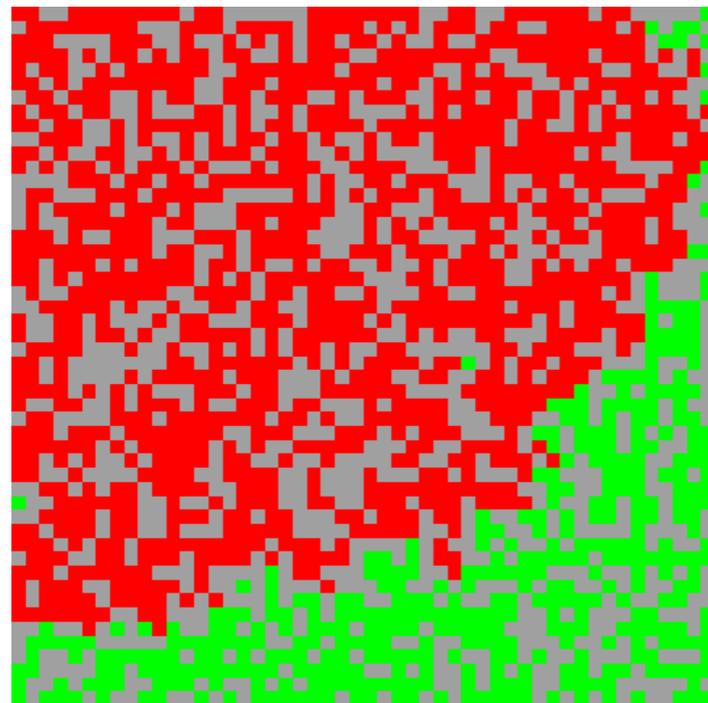
# TOrC: Data Augmentation

Decreasing the errors (image misclassifications) due to the ML models by reducing overfitting.

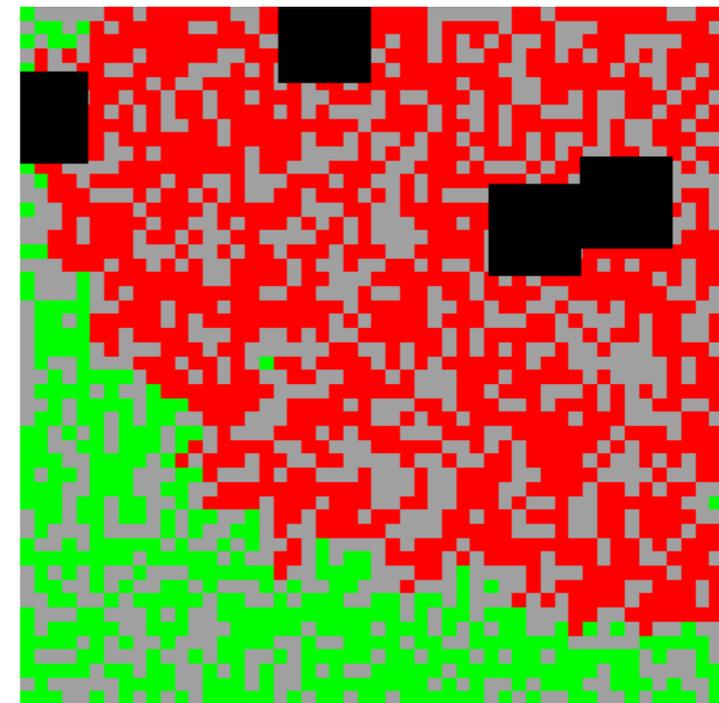


# TOrC: Data Augmentation

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Original image



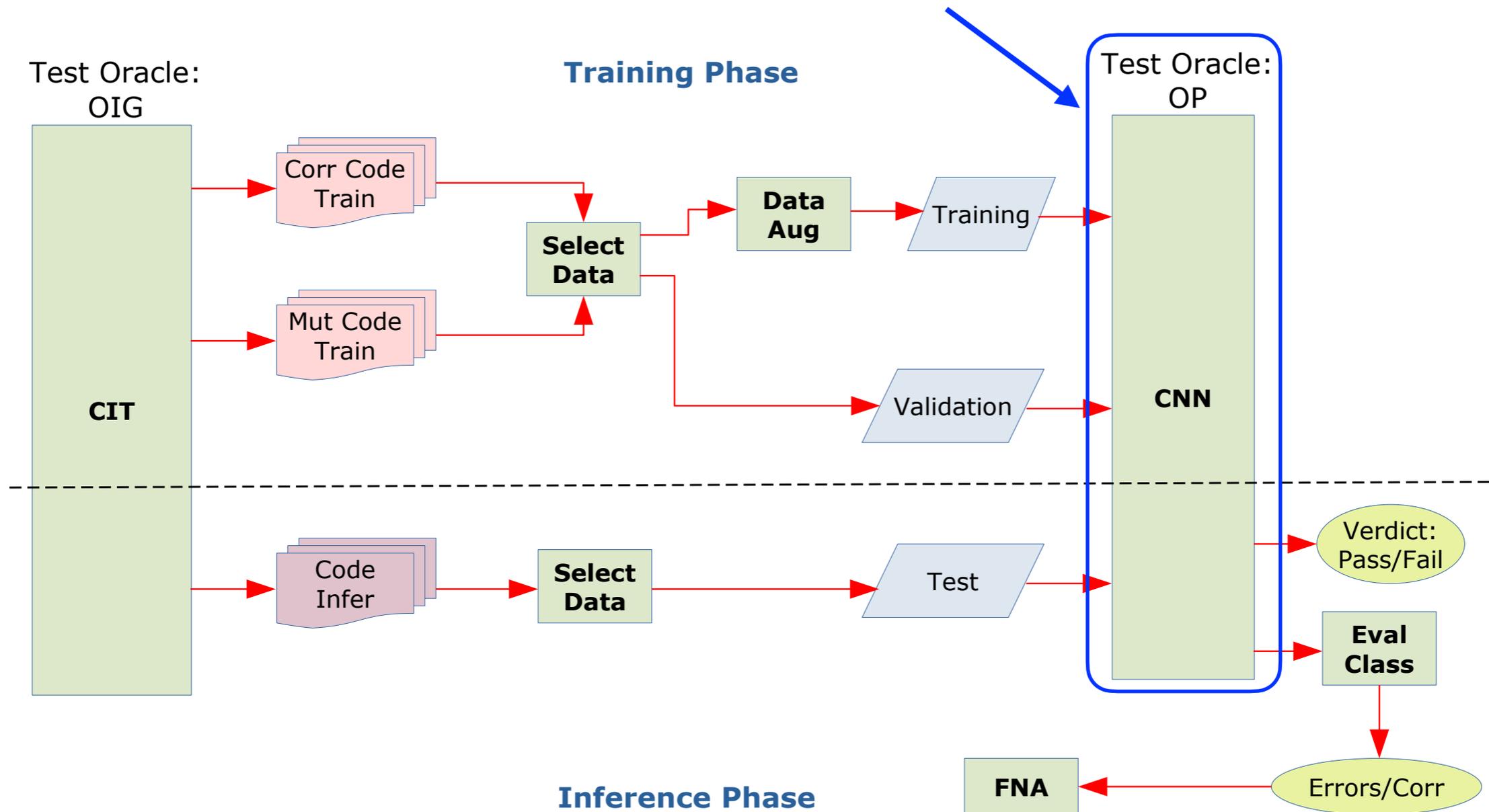
Data-augmented image  
(horizontal flip + cutout transformations)

PS: Fire spreading model (cellular space).



# TOrC: Oracle Procedure

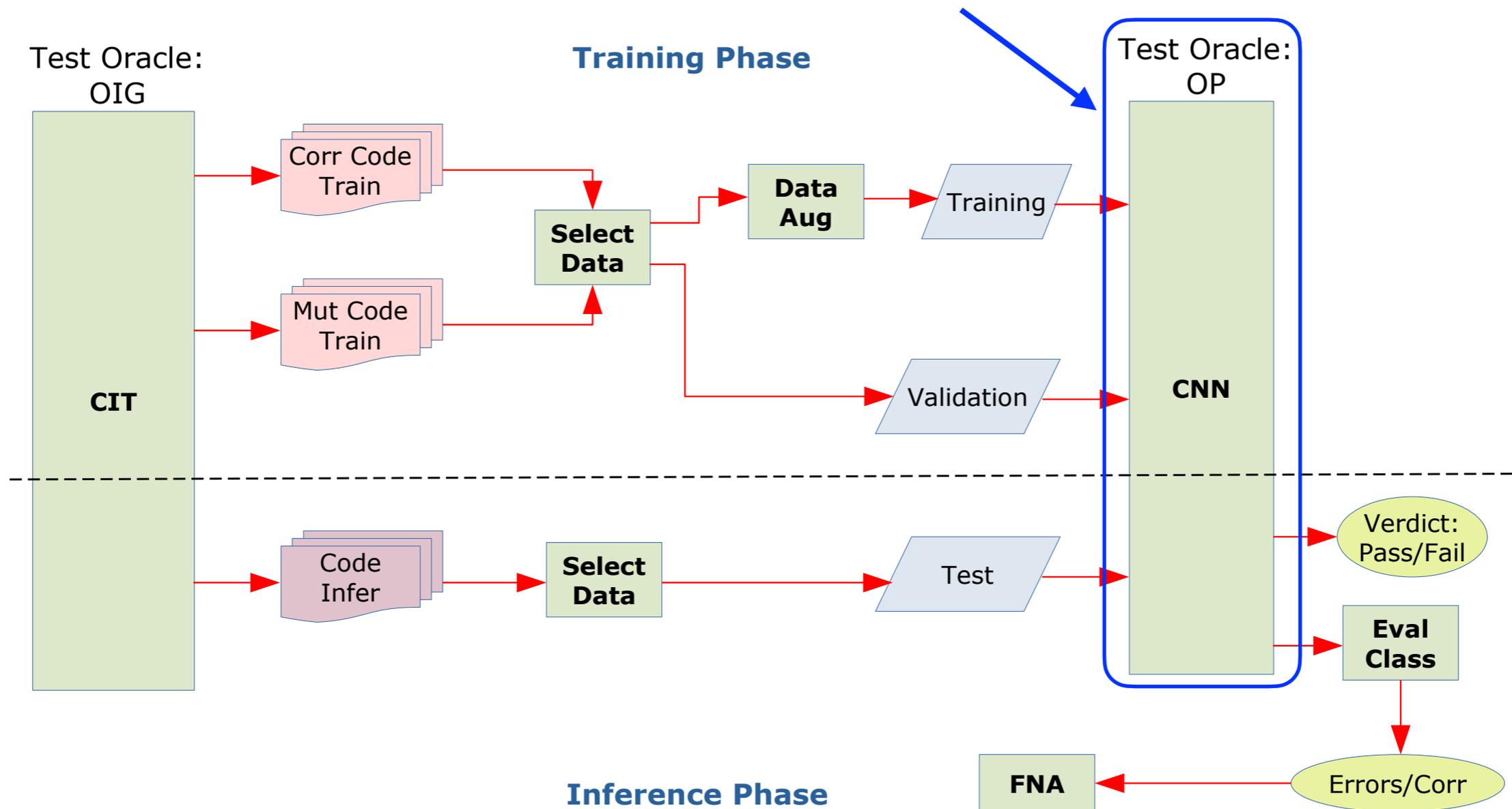
A CNN is the Oracle Procedure (OP).





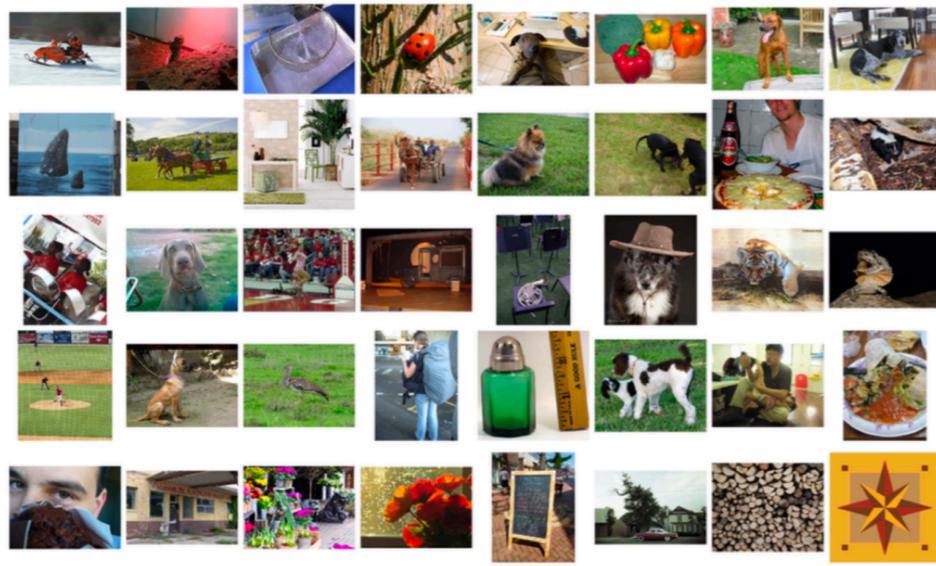
# TOrC: Oracle Procedure

Transfer learning (pretrained models).

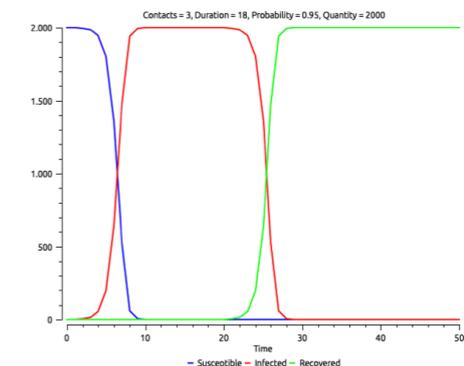
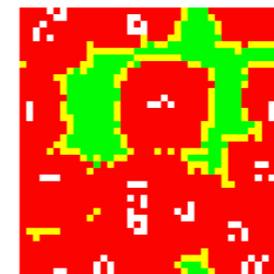
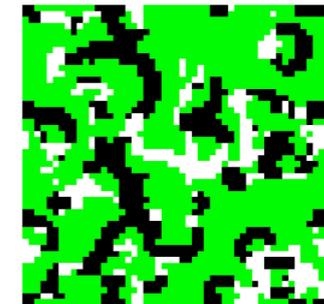
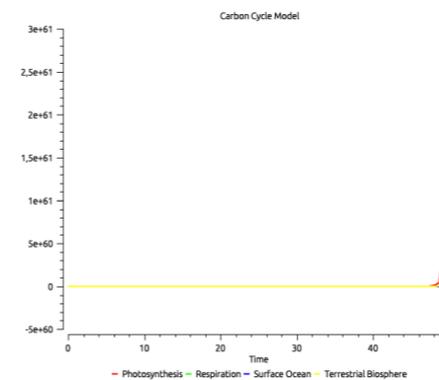
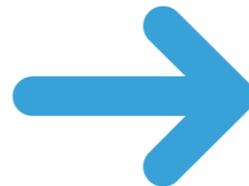


# TOrC: Transfer Learning

- ❖ Fine-tuning: Instead of random initialisation, the model is initialised with a pretrained model. Layers: **unfrozen**.



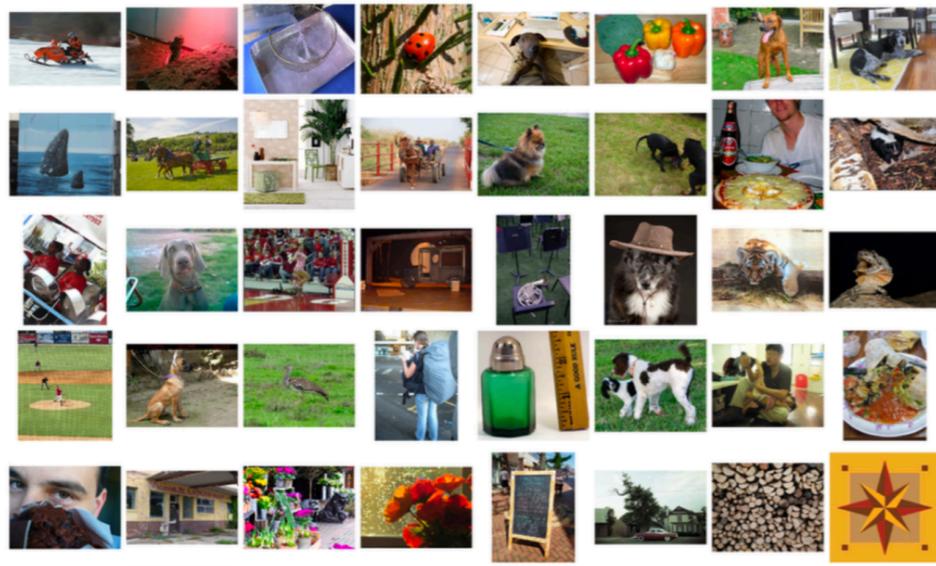
ImageNet



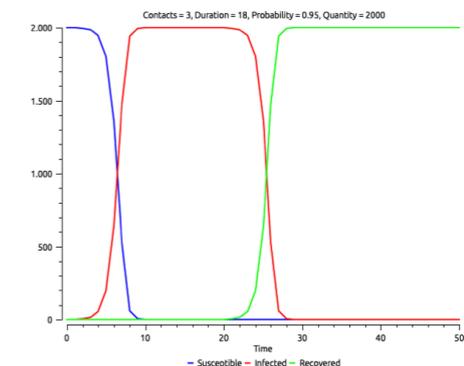
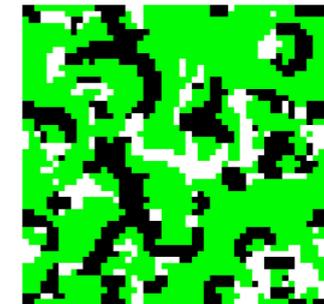
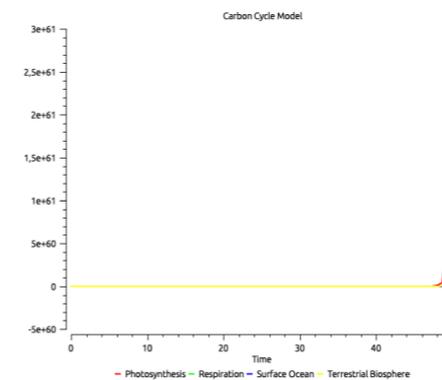
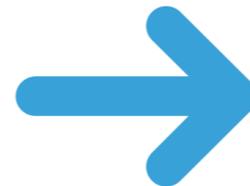
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# TOrC: Transfer Learning

- ❖ Fine-tuning and Heterogenous Transfer Learning.

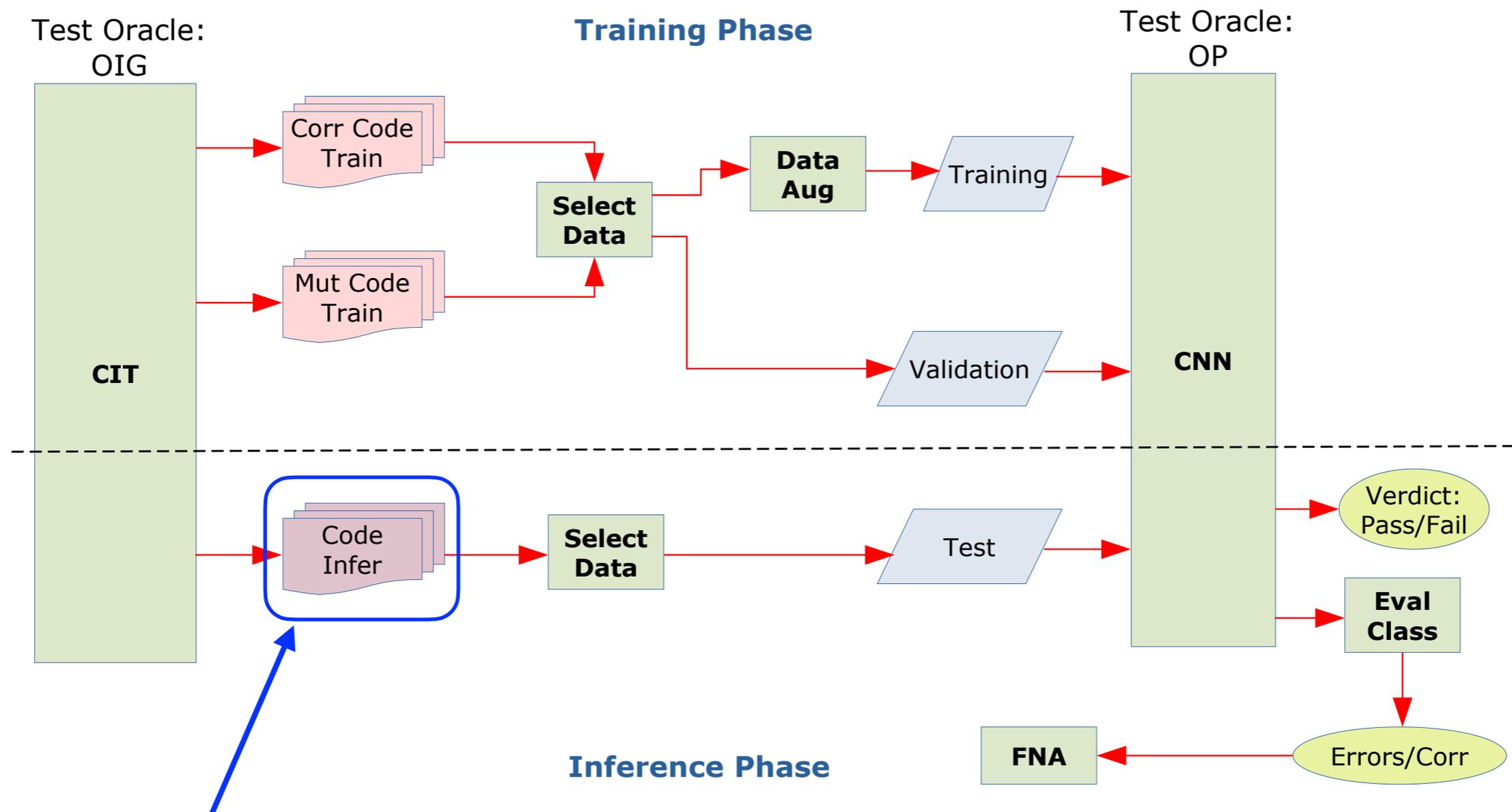


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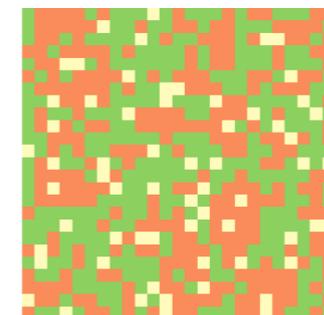
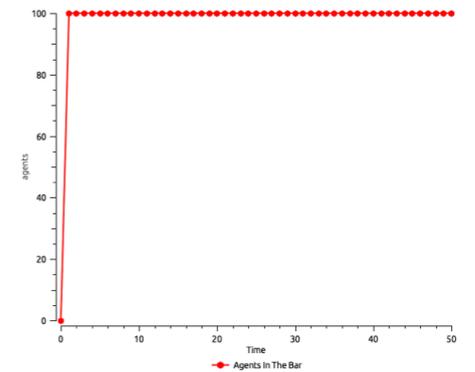
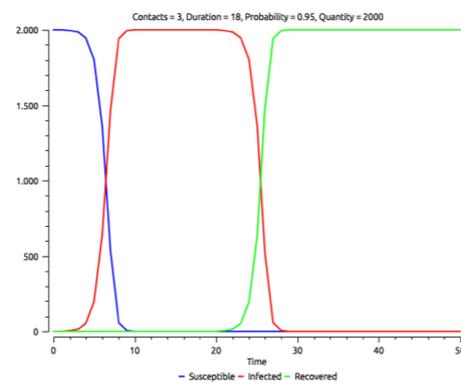
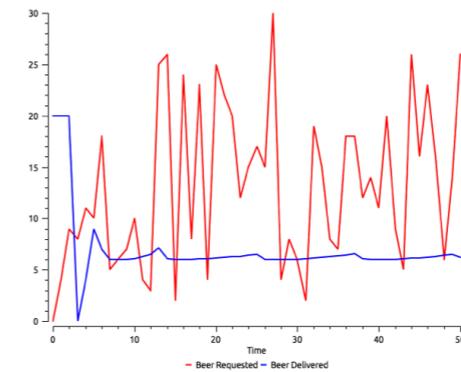
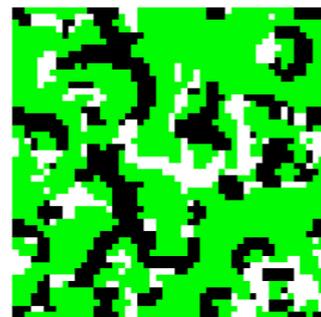
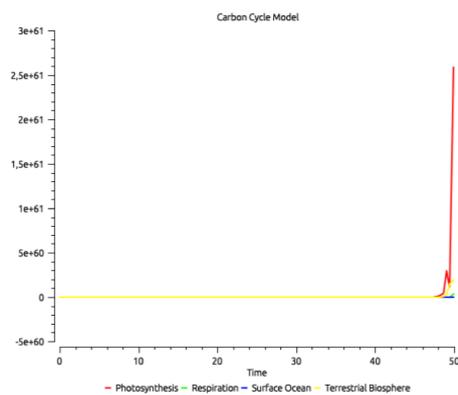
# TOrC: Inference Phase



Test set is created based on the outputs of programs completely different from the ones used to create the training and validation sets.

# TOrC: Transfer Learning

❖ It is possible that we have a third domain?



Training Set

Test Set



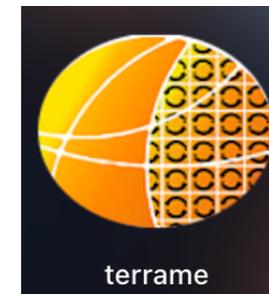
# Experimental Design

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- ❖ Research Question 1 (RQ\_1):
  - ❖ Does a deeper CNN (more layers) always have better performance compared to a shallower (less layers) one?
  
- ❖ Research Question 2 (RQ\_2):
  - ❖ If we do not change the architecture of a predefined model/network, is **pure** transfer learning able to get the same or better performances compared to extended architectures of the model?

# Scientific Models

## ❖ Second-order mutants.

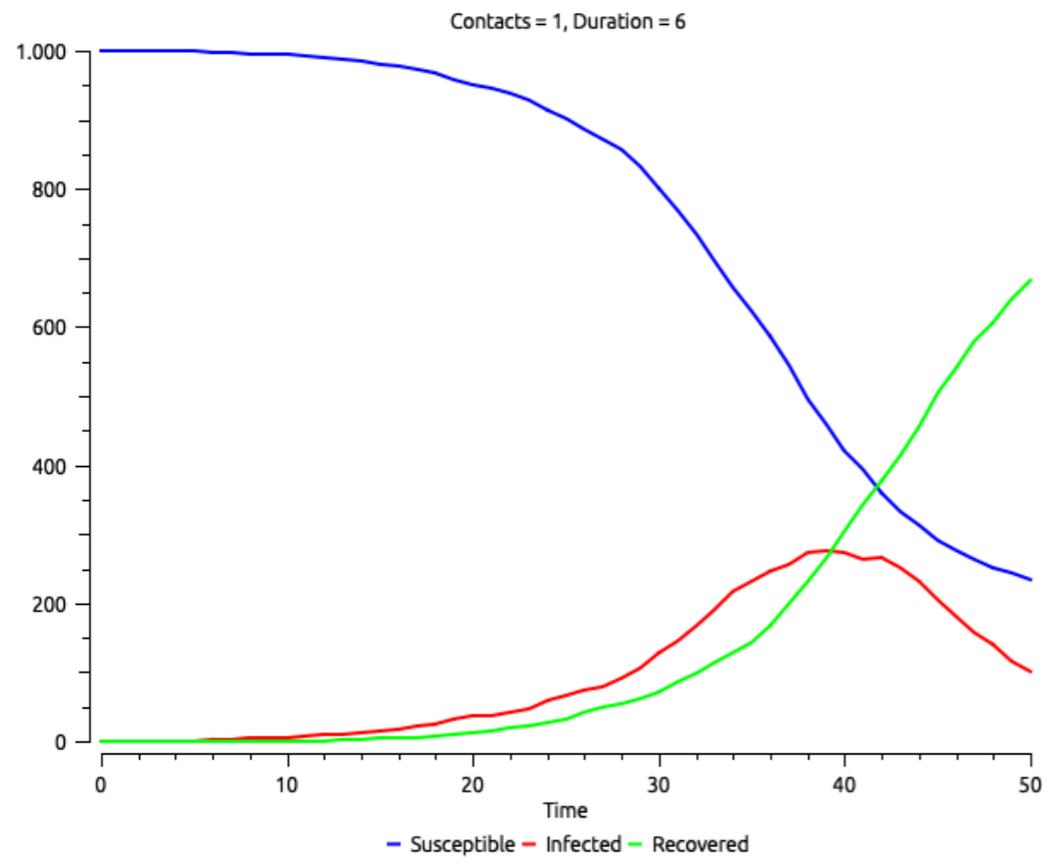


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if self.state == "infected" then
  forEachConnection(self, function(conn)
    self:message{receiver = conn, delay = 1}
  end)

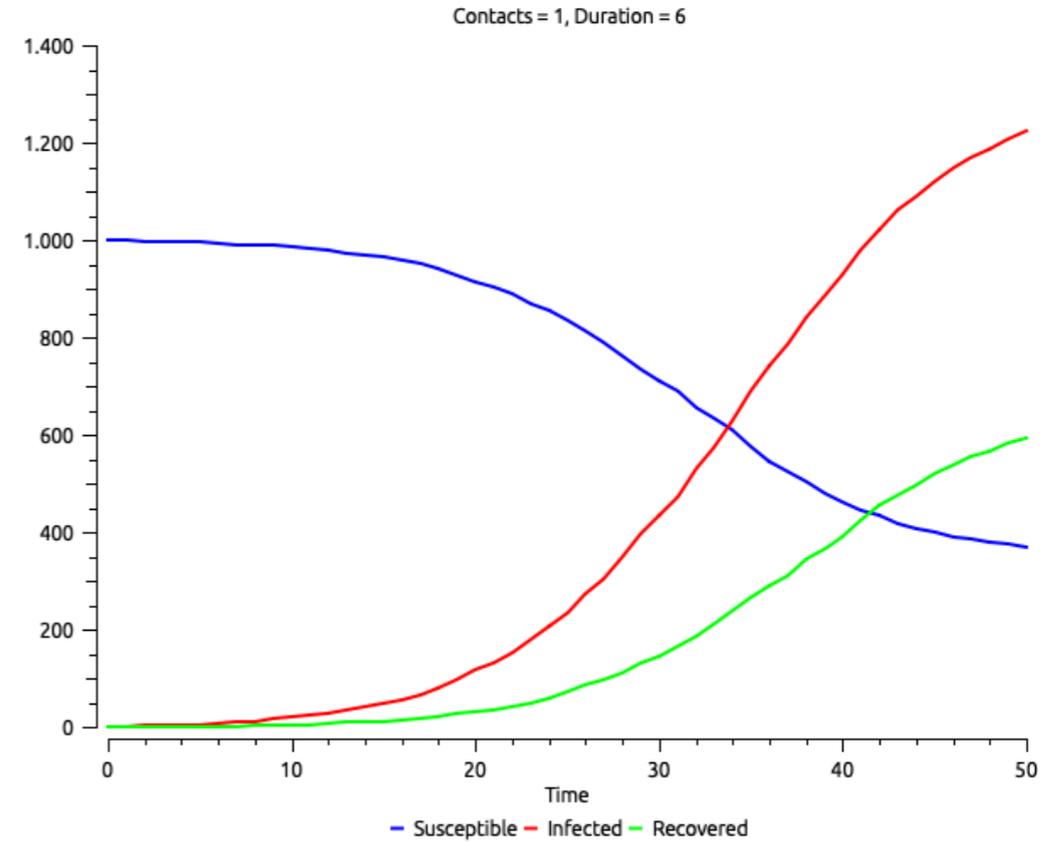
  -- Mutation 1: ROR4
  -- if self.counter > model.duration then ... CORRECT CODE
  if self.counter == model.duration then
    self.state = "recovered"
    -- Mutation 2: AOR1
    -- model.infected = model.infected - 1 ... CORRECT CODE
    model.infected = model.infected + 1
    model.recovered = model.recovered + 1
  end
```



# Samples



SIR model: correct



SIR model: mutant

PS: Susceptible, Infected and Recovered (SIR) model (plot).  
COVID-19.



# CNNs

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<b>CNN</b>	<b>#Layers</b>	<b>#TL</b>	<b>#TLE1L</b>	<b>#TLE2L</b>	<b>#In Feat</b>
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Architecture configurations.



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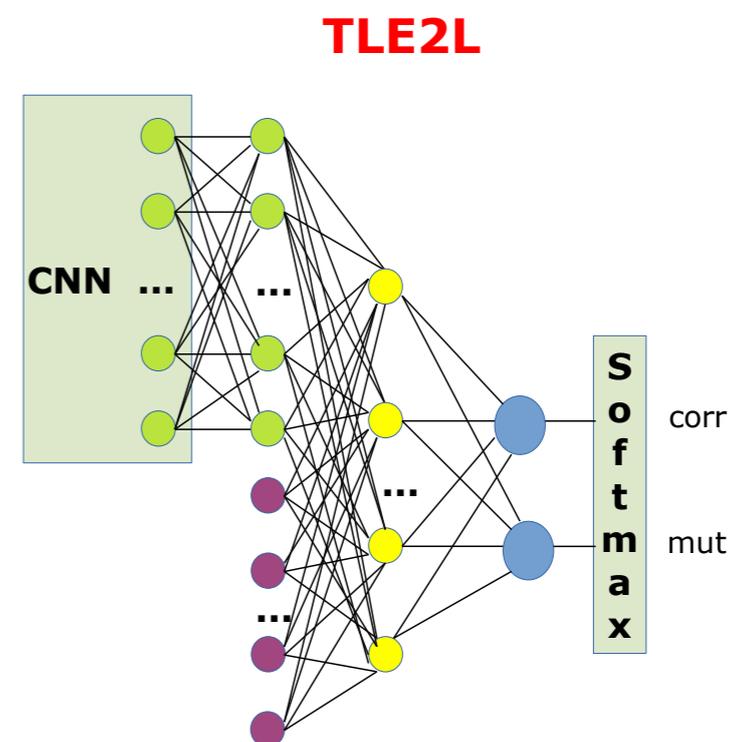
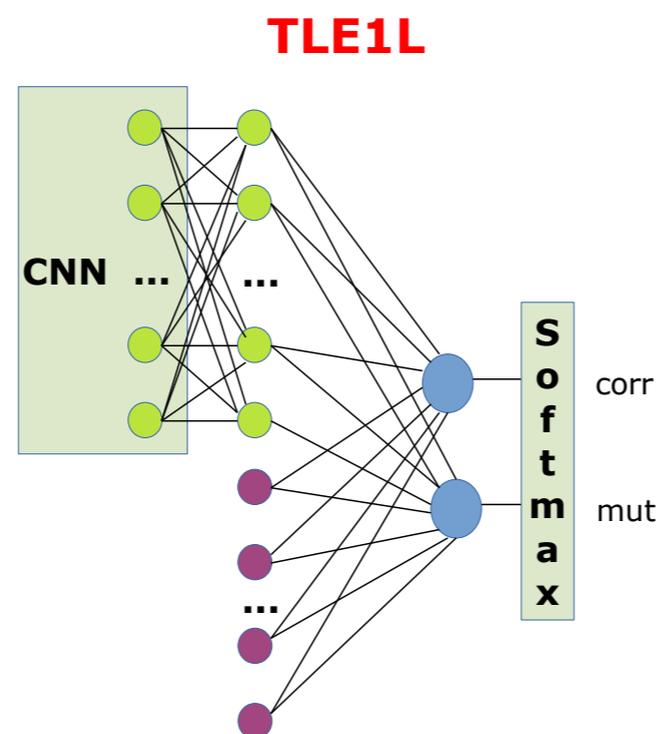
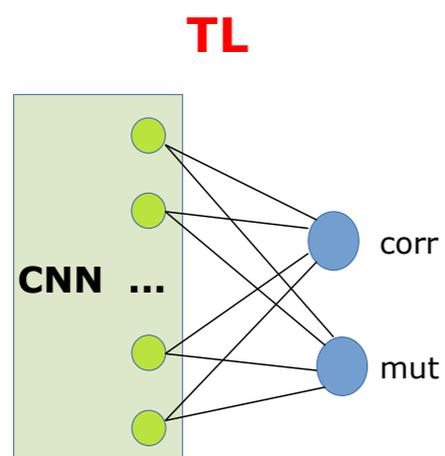


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Number of millions (M) of trainable parameters.

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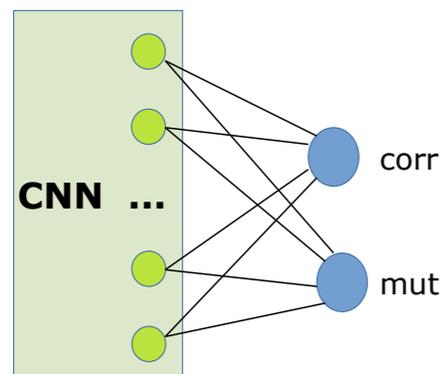


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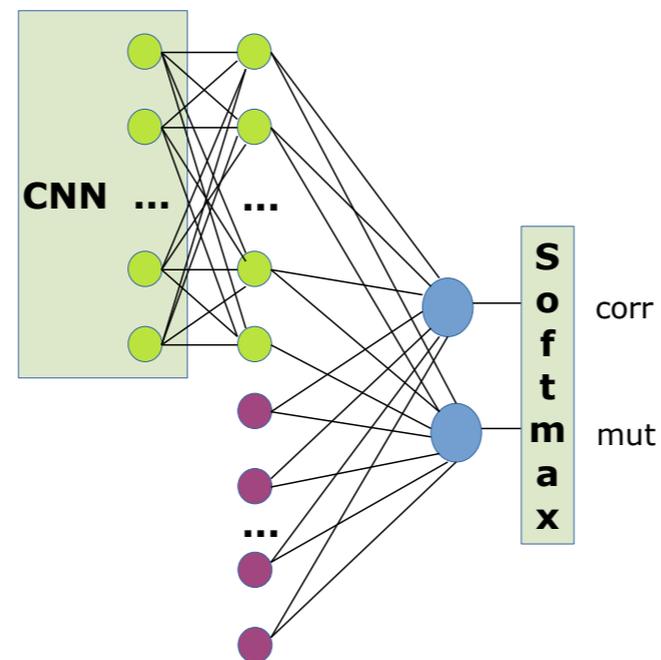
Pure Transfer Learning (TL): as-is configuration.



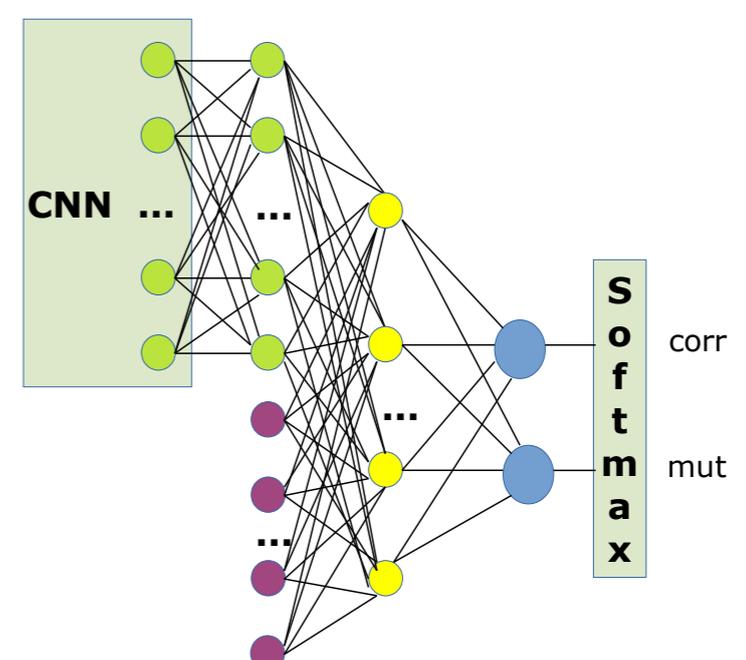
**TL**



**TLE1L**

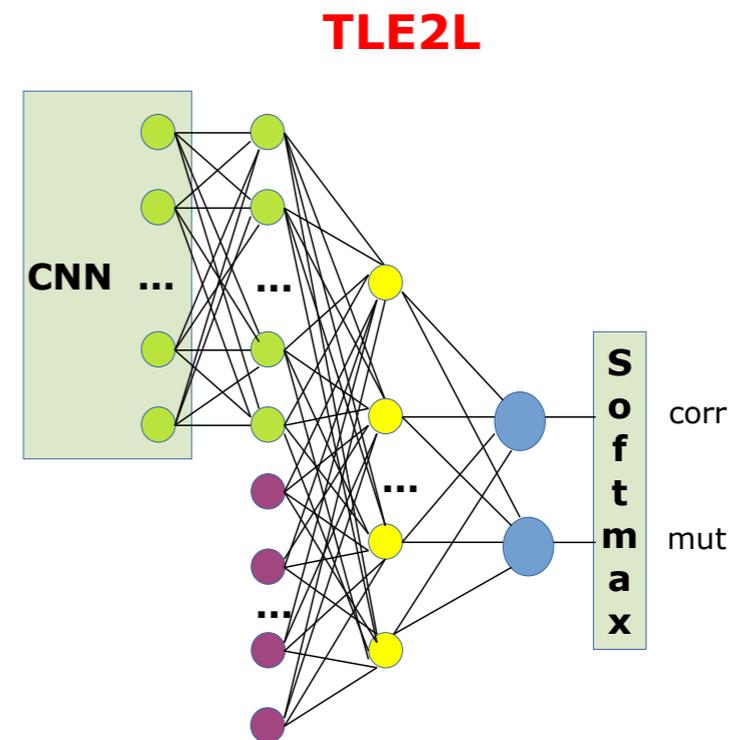
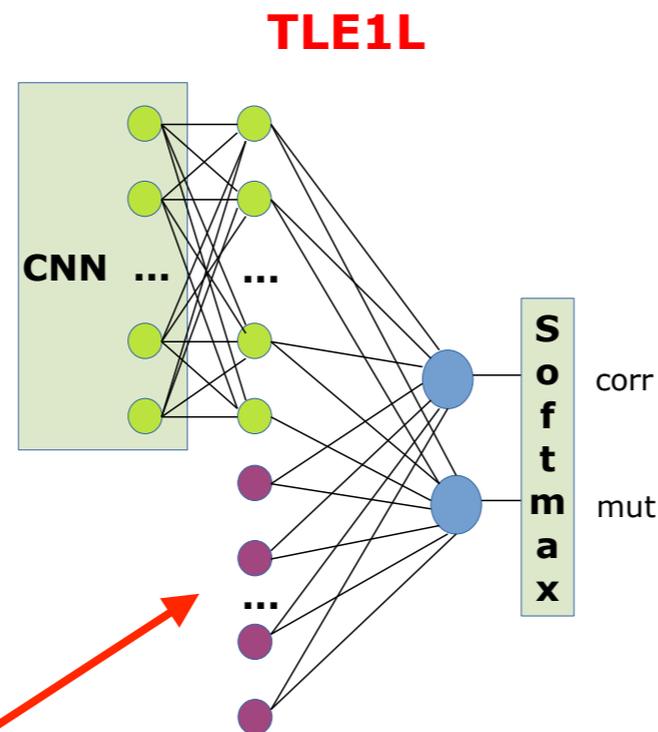
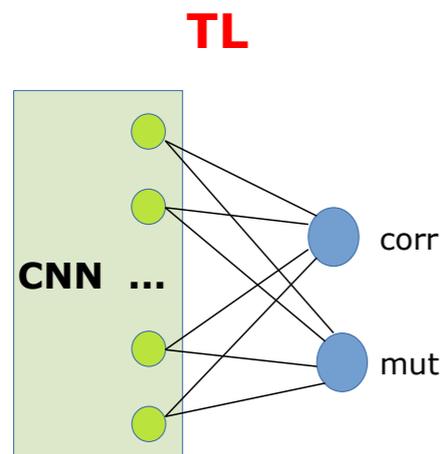


**TLE2L**



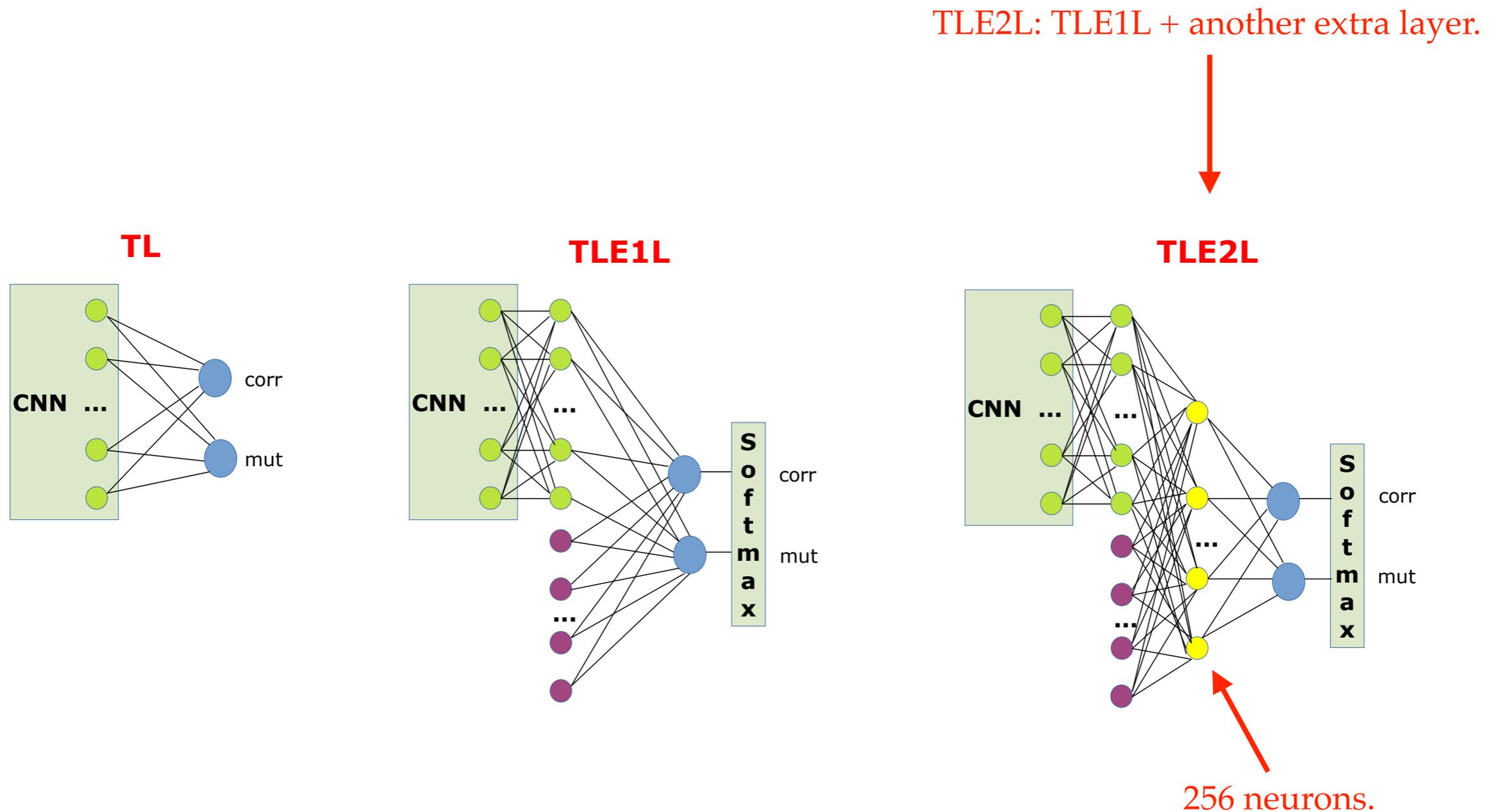
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TLE1L: one extra layer.



Feature detector and description algorithm Oriented FAST and Rotated BRIEF (ORB): 1,024 elements.

# Architecture Configurations





# Results and Discussion

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	TD			SS		
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# Results and Discussion

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# RQ\_1: Weighted Ranking

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- ❖ 1. **DenseNet-161.**
- ❖ 2. **ResNet-18 and Inception v3 (tie).**
- ❖ 4. ResNet-34.
- ❖ 5. ResNeXt-50-32x4d.
- ❖ 6. Wide ResNet-50-2.
- ❖ 7. ResNet-152.



# Answering RQ\_1

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- ❖ Does a deeper CNN (more layers) always have better performance compared to a shallower (less layers) one?
- ❖ **R: A deeper CNN does not necessarily have better performance than a shallower one. When reusing pretrained models to address a new problem (as the test oracle task we did here), it is recommended to eventually start with shallower networks, which usually have smaller number of trainable parameters and usually demand less powerful computational infrastructure.**



# Possible Recommendation

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- ❖ **DenseNet-161** was also the best here (classification, Cerrado images, 11 DNNs):
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# RQ\_2: Transfer Learning

TL X max(TLE1L, TLE2L): Only in two out of 14 situations there was a decrease in the accuracy.

CNN	Dataset Profile					
	TD			SS		
	TL	TLE1L	TLE2L	TL	TLE1L	TLE2L
ResNet-18	<b>0.6125</b>	<b>0.6438</b>	0.625	0.73125	0.74375	0.7625
ResNet-34	0.5188	0.6188	<i>0.6313</i>	<i>0.75</i>	<i>0.75</i>	<i>0.775</i>
ResNeXt-50-32x4d	<i>0.5813</i>	<i>0.625</i>	0.6125	0.6875	<i>0.75</i>	0.7625
Wide ResNet-50-2	0.55	0.5625	0.5875	0.675	<b>0.75625</b>	0.71875
Inception v3	0.4438	0.6063	0.5875	<b>0.7875</b>	<b>0.75625</b>	0.7
ResNet-152	<i>0.5813</i>	0.55	0.575	<i>0.75</i>	0.725	0.7625
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TD, TLE1L, Inception v3: increase of 36.62% in the accuracy.

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# Answering RQ\_2

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- ❖ If we do not change the architecture of a predefined model/network, is pure transfer learning able to get the same or better performances compared to extended architectures of the model?
- ❖ R: **Pure** transfer learning is a valuable technique within DNNs but eventually we have to extend previous model's architectures to get better results. Moreover, the **related** domain requirement seems to be crucial.

# Richard Feynman

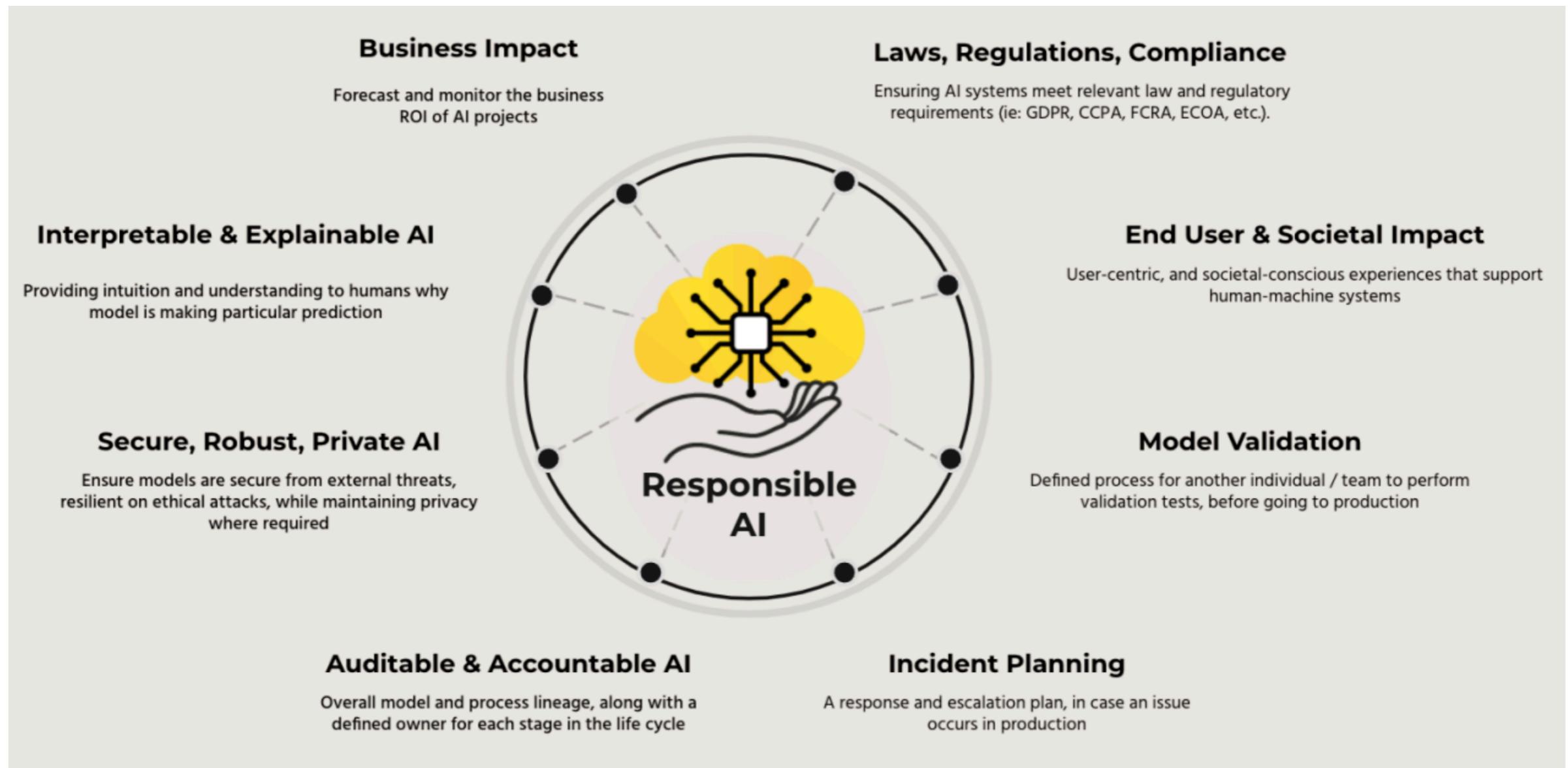
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- ❖ Nobel Prize in Physics (1965): “What I cannot create, I do not understand”.

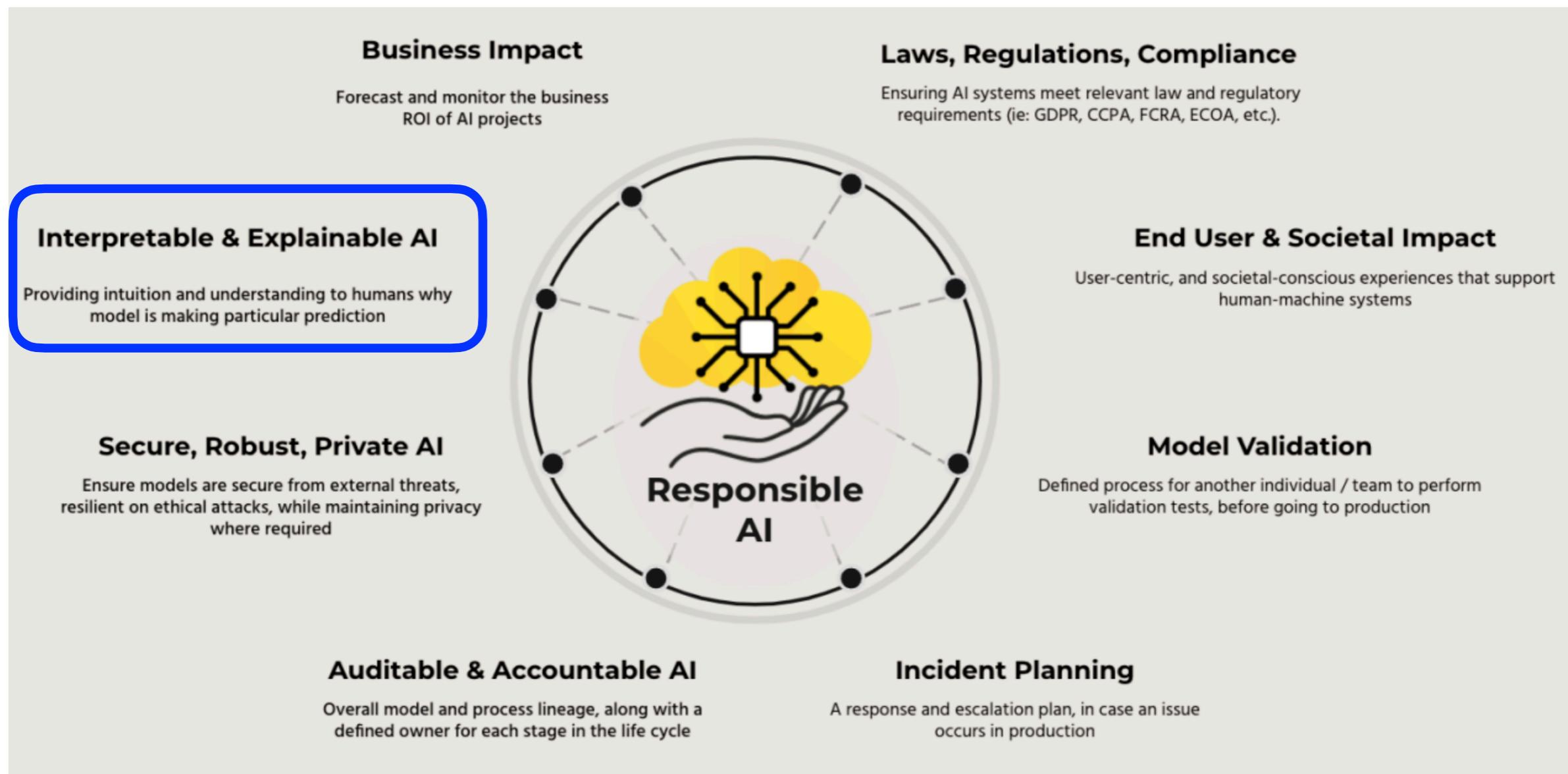


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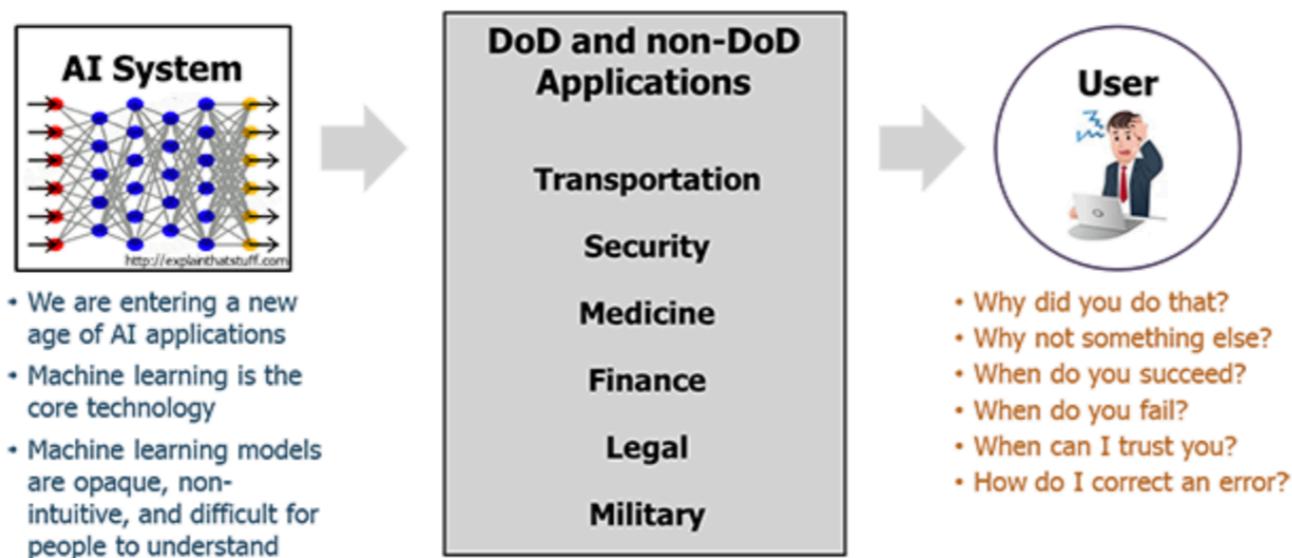
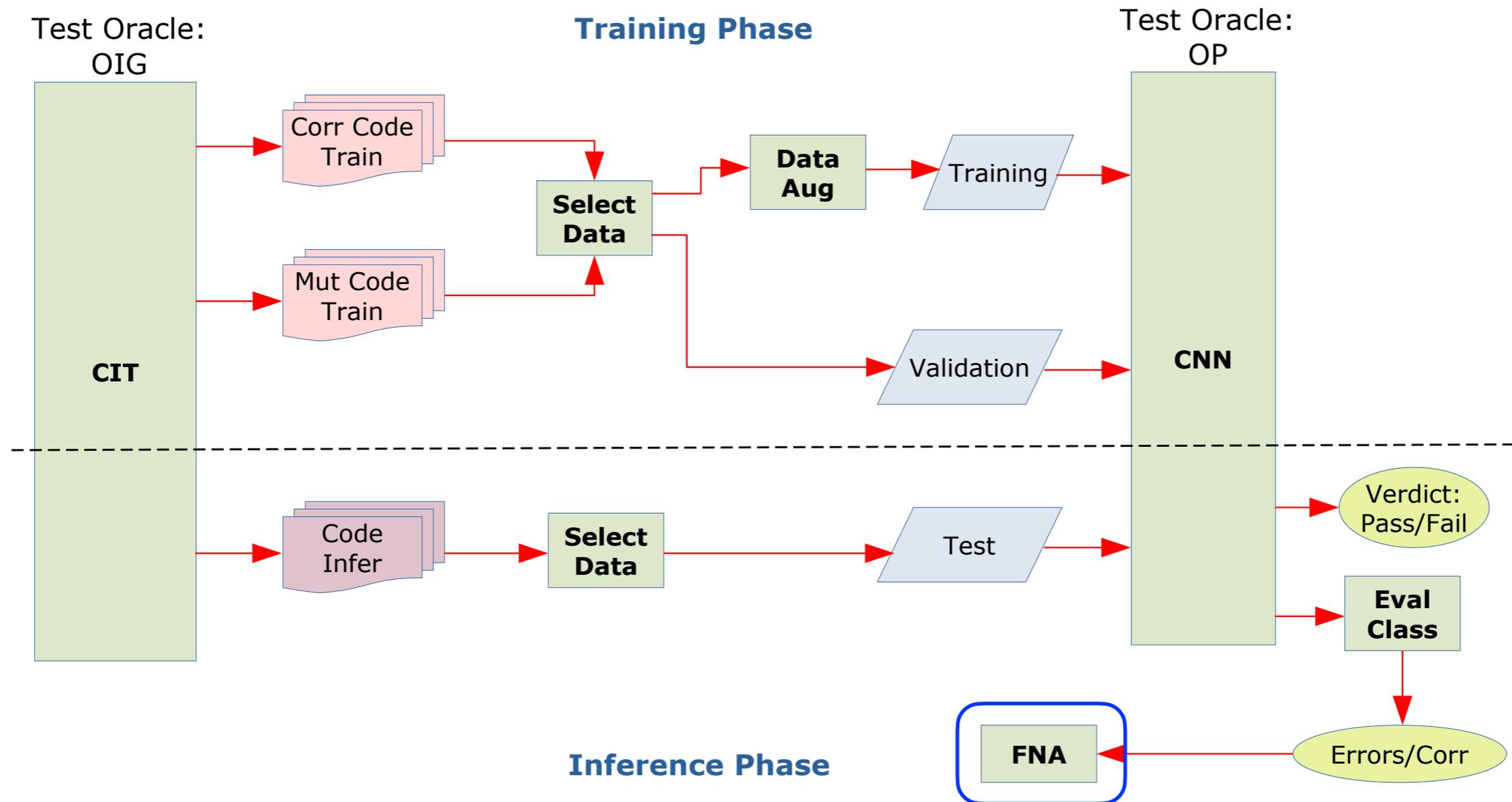


Figure 1. The Need for Explainable AI

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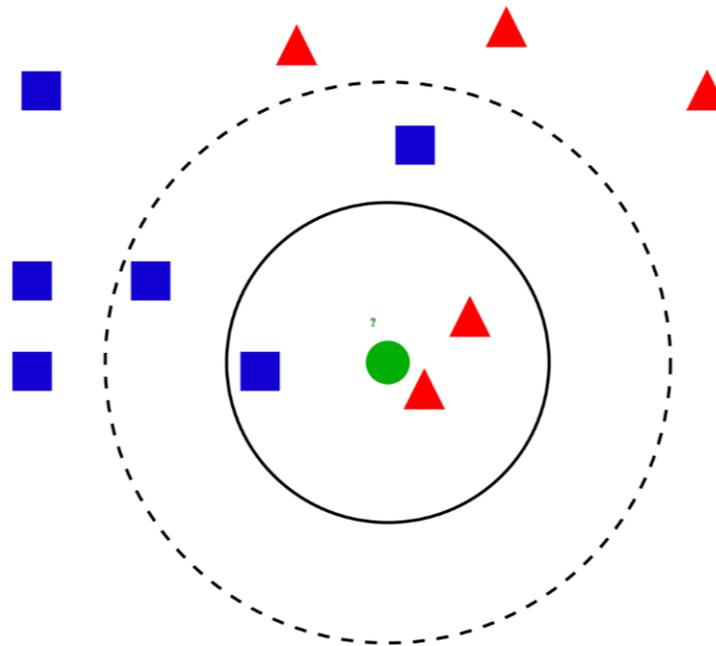
# TOrC: Evaluate Classification



# The FNA Technique

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- ❖ FNA: straightforward and black-box approach relying only on the images of the training and test sets.
- ❖ FNA: based on the K-nearest neighbours (KNN) ML algorithm.





# The FNA Technique

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## Algorithm 1 The FNA technique

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**Input:**  $T, S$

**Output:**  $P$

- 1:  $F = T \cup S$
  - 2:  $t = |T|$
  - 3:  $s = |S|$
  - 4:  $n = \lfloor (t + s)/s \rfloor$
  - 5:  $K = \text{findNearestNeighbours}(n, F)$
  - 6:  $X = \text{countNumberNeighbours}(K, S)$
  - 7:  $X = X/n$
  - 8:  $P = \text{findMaxProportion}(X, S)$
  - 9: **return**  $P$
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As for FNA, we define six classes:

*tr\_cor;*

*tr\_mut;*

*mi\_cor;*

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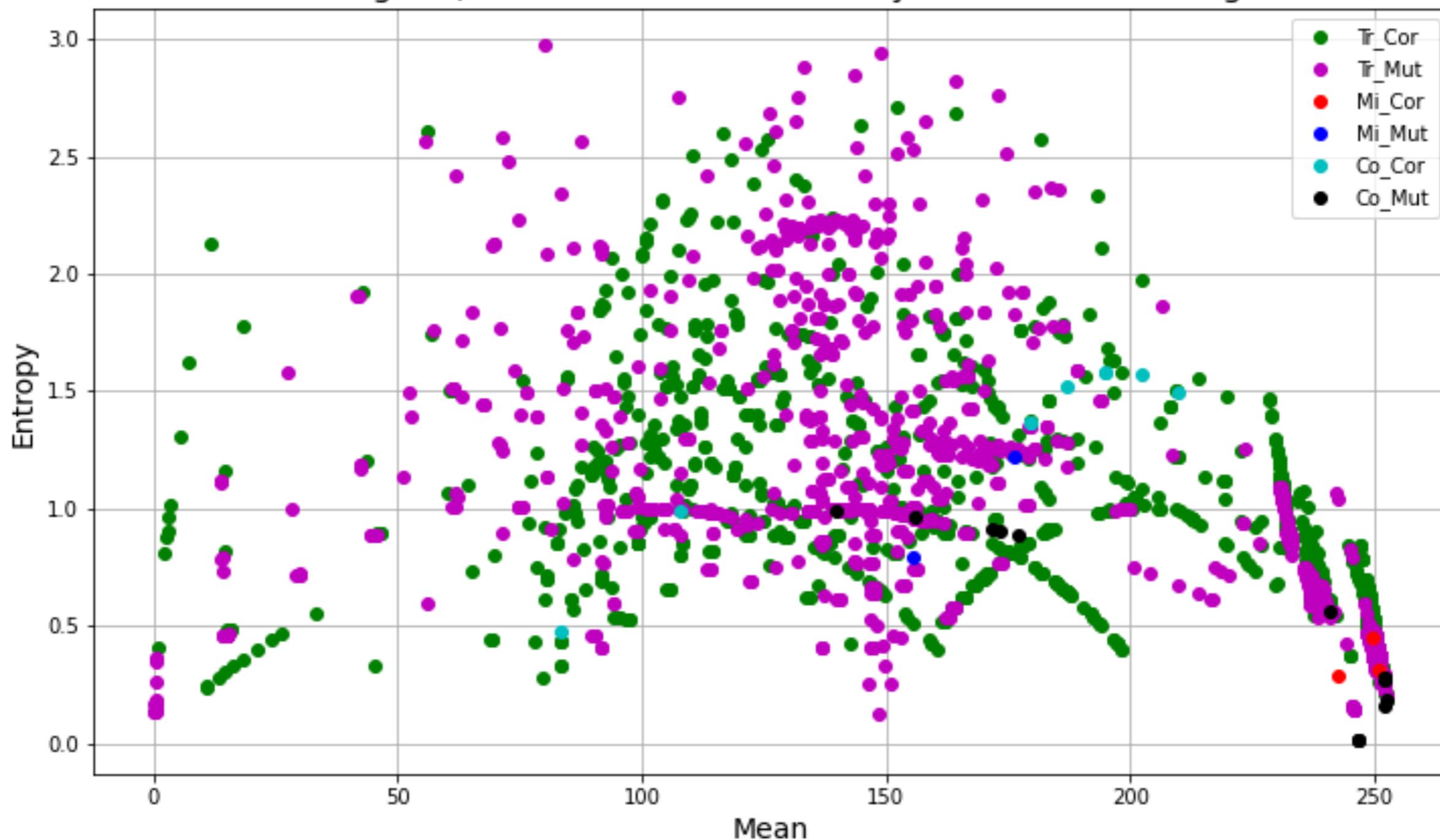
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Define the number of nearest neighbours,  $n$ , for each image  $i_s$  of the test set, where each image  $i_s$  is viewed as a centroid of a cluster.

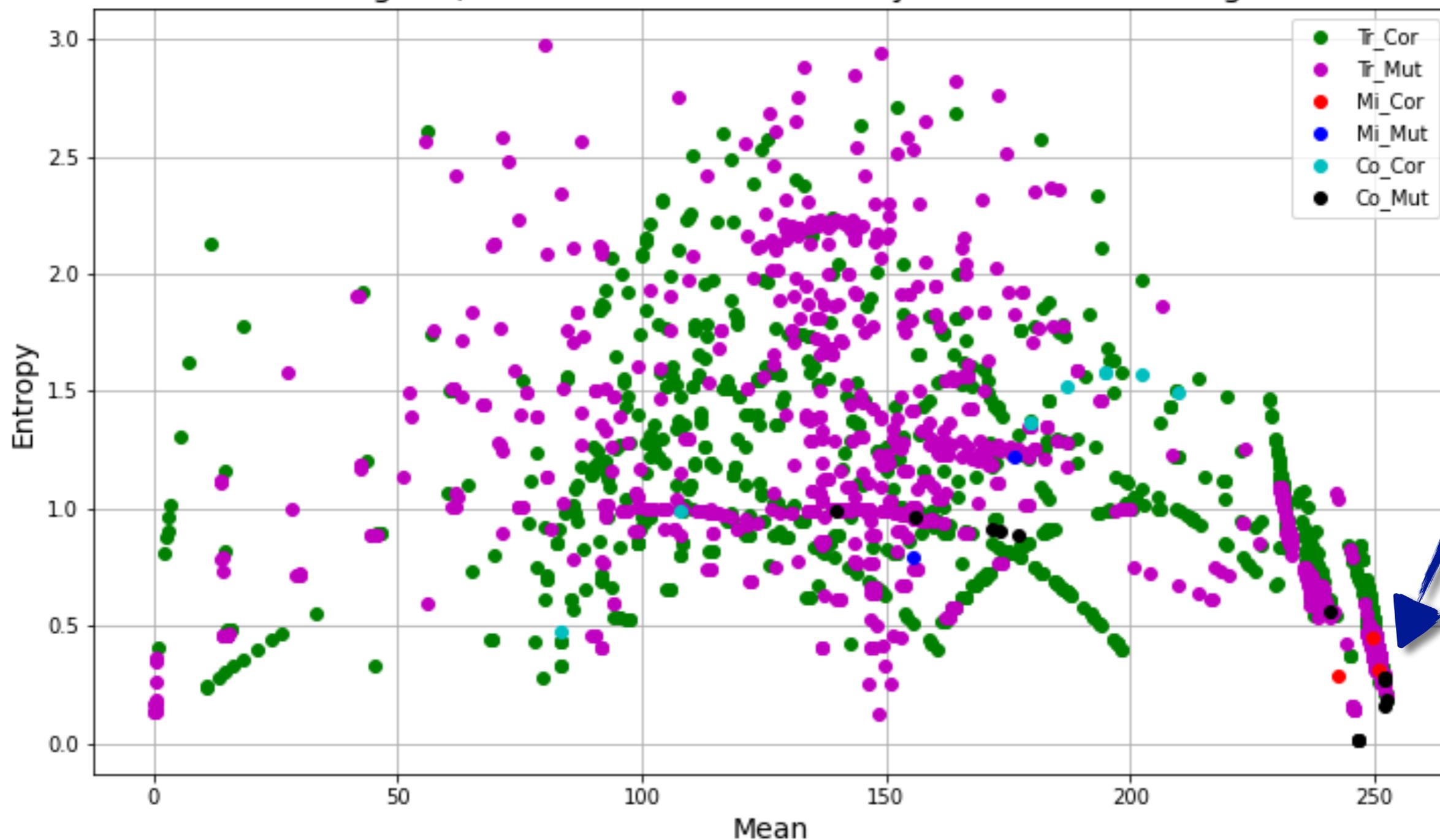
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Training Set, Misclassified and Correctly Classified Test Images

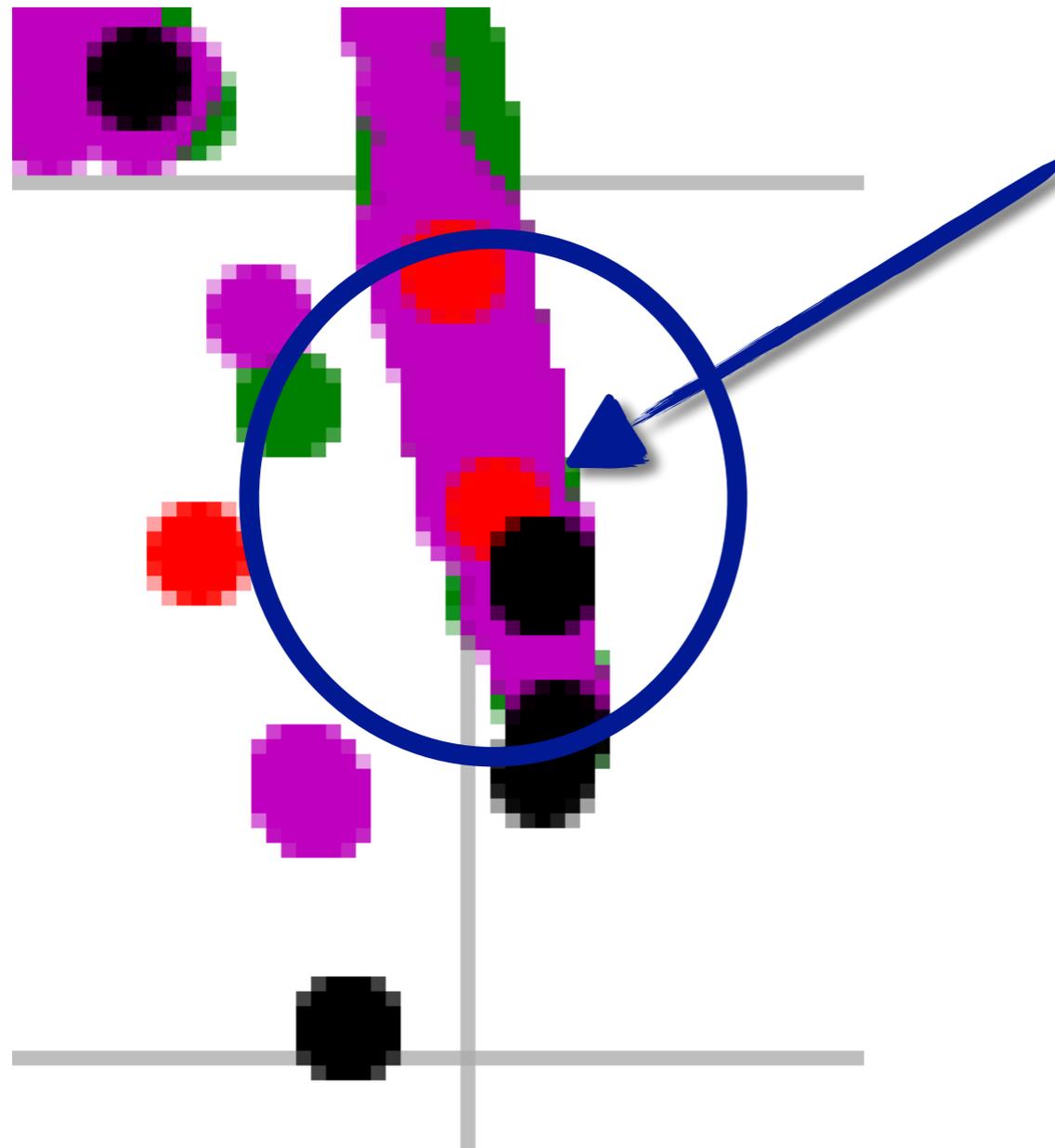


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Training Set, Misclassified and Correctly Classified Test Images



# The FNA Technique



If an image of the correct class of the test set was misclassified ( $mi\_cor$ ), we would expect that the corresponding element in  $P$  is  $tr\_mut$ .

●	Tr_Cor
●	Tr_Mut
●	Mi_Cor
●	Mi_Mut
●	Co_Cor
●	Co_Mut



# FNA: Evaluation

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- ❖ Three best models: DenseNet-161, ResNet-18, and Inception v3.
- ❖ Entire training set of both profiles (TD and SS) and the 29 corner case images of the test set.
  - ❖ Five of these test images: misclassified by all 18 combinations of model, dataset profile, and architecture configuration;
  - ❖ Remaining 24 images: correctly classified by all 18 combinations.



# FNA: Evaluation

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- ❖ Image features: mean, Shannon entropy, contrast, dissimilarity, homogeneity, correlation, and angular second-moment.
- ❖ Number of neighbours,  $n$ , in TD is 93 and 99 in SS.



# FNA: Evaluation

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- ❖ For both profiles, TD and SS, we got the same result. In **only one** (same image) out of the 29 corner case images FNA failed.
- ❖ FNA's accuracy:  $28/29 = 0.9655$ .



# To sum up

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- ❖ Fields, techniques related to this research:
  - ❖ Software testing (test oracle, CIT, mutation analysis);
  - ❖ Deep learning;
  - ❖ Deep convolutional neural networks (CNNs);
  - ❖ Transfer learning;
  - ❖ Explainable artificial intelligence;
  - ❖ Data-centric artificial intelligence;



# To sum up

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- ❖ Fields, techniques related to this research (cont):
  - ❖ Data augmentation;
  - ❖ Image similarity metrics (structural similarity, Fréchet Inception Distance (FID));
  - ❖ Image features;
  - ❖ Oriented FAST and Rotated BRIEF (ORB) algorithm;
  - ❖ K-nearest neighbours (KNN);
  - ❖ Apriori algorithm.



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# What to do?

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- ❖ Detailed analysis of the features/characteristics of the images in the sets (training, validation, test).
- ❖ Generate more images (data augmentation; GANs).
- ❖ Trying different splittings (training, validation, test).
- ❖ Tuning of hyper-parameters.
- ❖ “Mosaic” data augmentation. Center cropping (224x224) makes more difficult the job of the learner.
- ❖ Selection of another model rather than CNN.



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