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# **Common Federation Framework for Autonomous Instrumentation & Algorithmic Steering**

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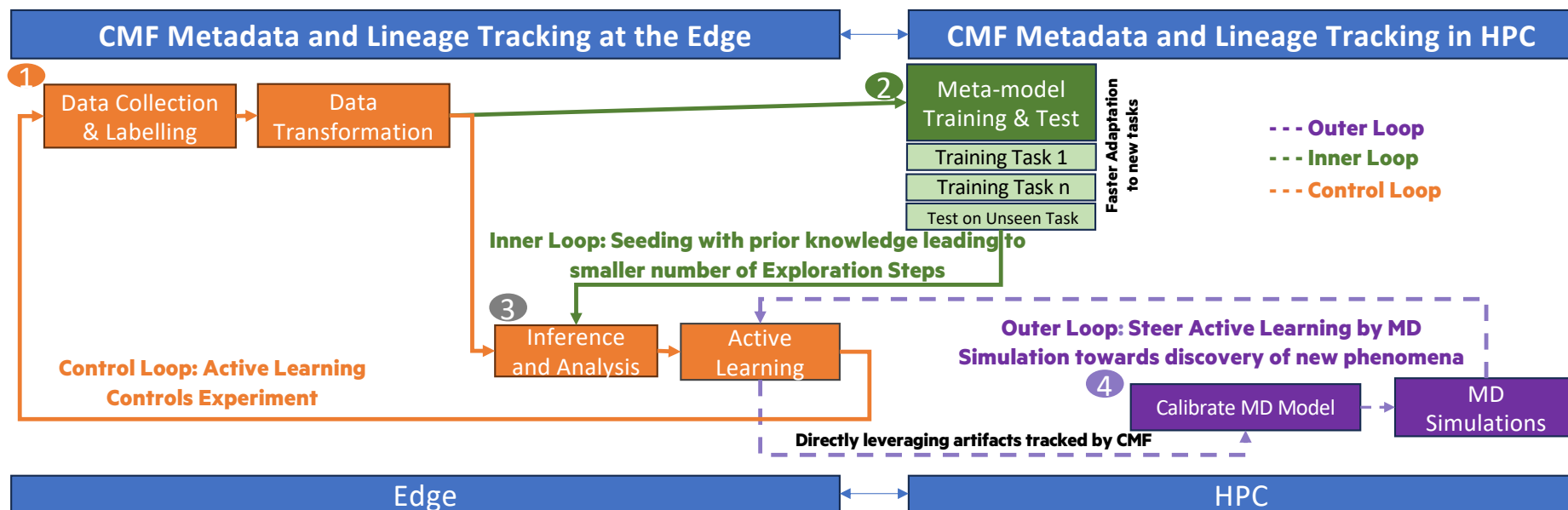
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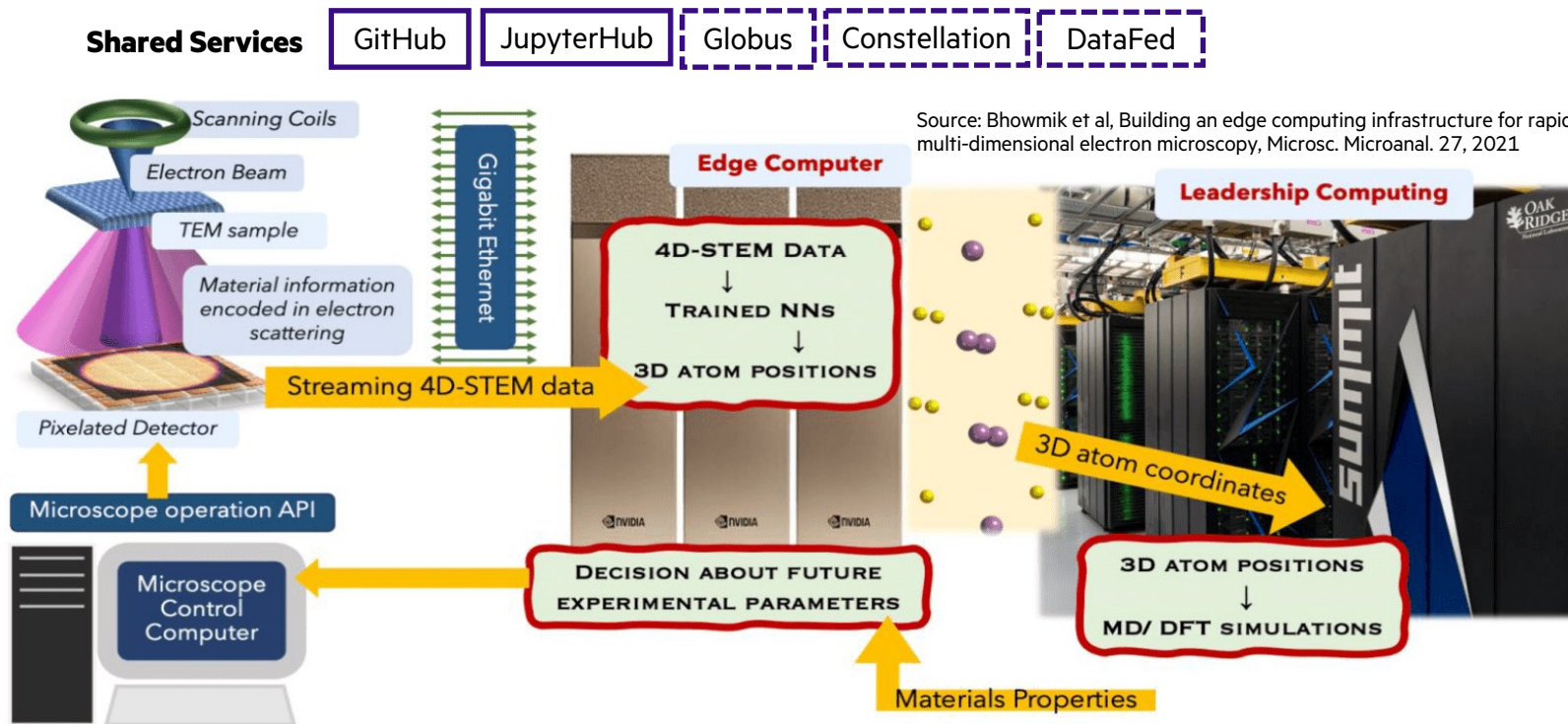
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# Outline

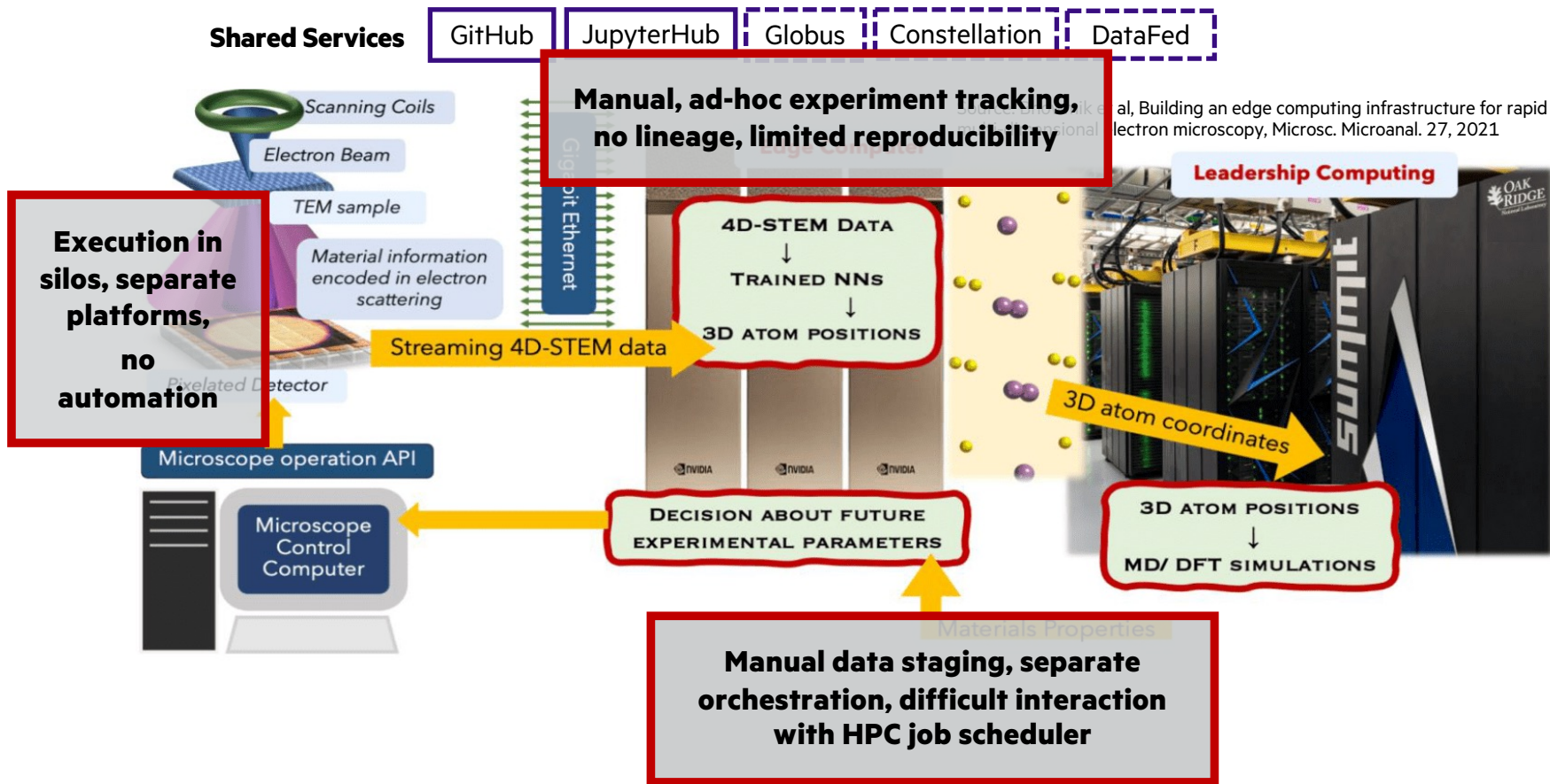
- Enabling experiment steering in a federated workflow incorporating HPC simulation, AI training & inferencing, edge instrumentation
- Improving a spectrum reconstruction algorithm to be faster, more accurate, and generalizable
- Using log and metadata generated in this workflow to autonomously steer a science experiment



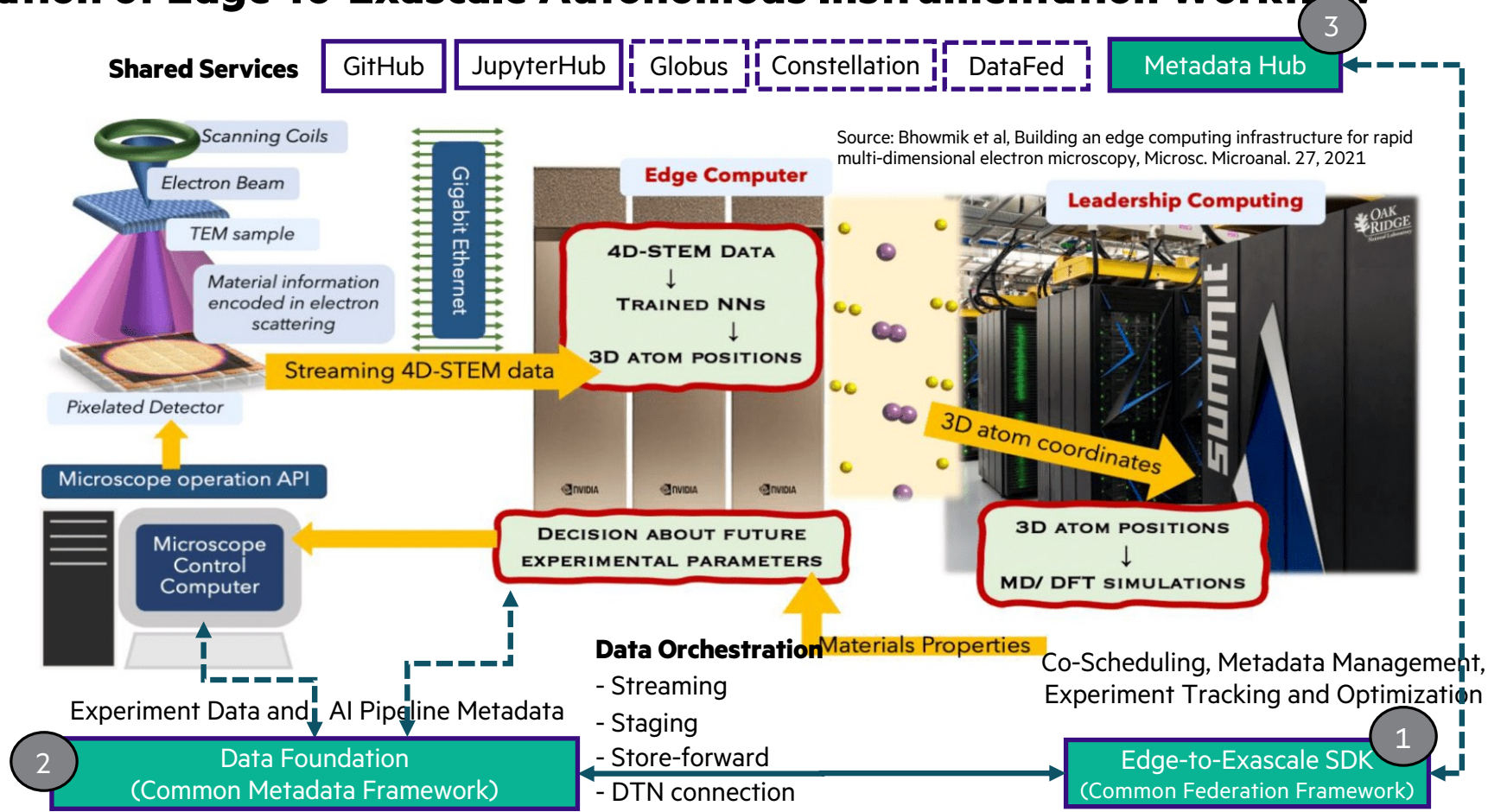
# A Representative Edge-to-Exascale Autonomous Instrumentation Workflow



# Challenges in Edge-to-Exascale Autonomous Instrumentation Workflows



# Automation of Edge-to-Exascale Autonomous Instrumentation Workflow



# Challenges in Autonomous Instrumentation & Steering



**Long & costly experiment time**



**Sample exposure time**



**Algorithmic generalization time efficiency**

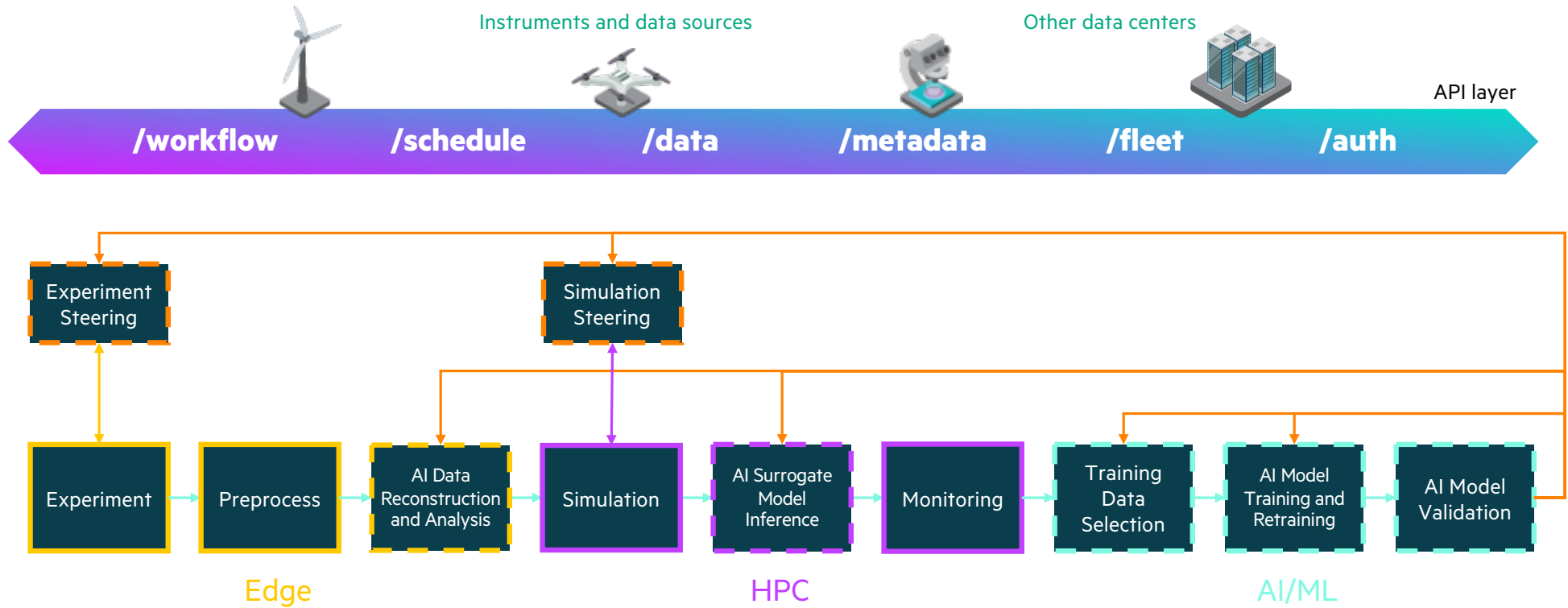


**Lack of automation, siloed & ad-hoc execution**

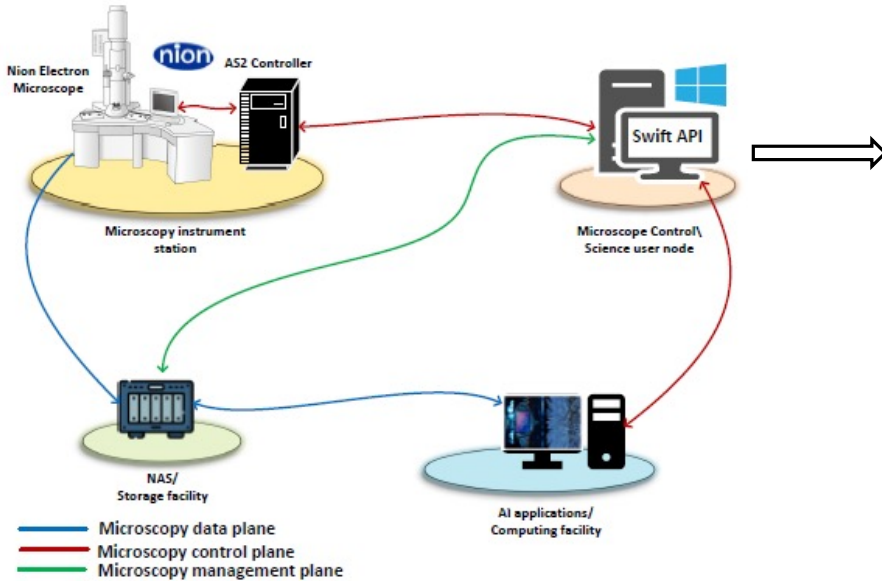


# Federated Workflow Deployment SDK

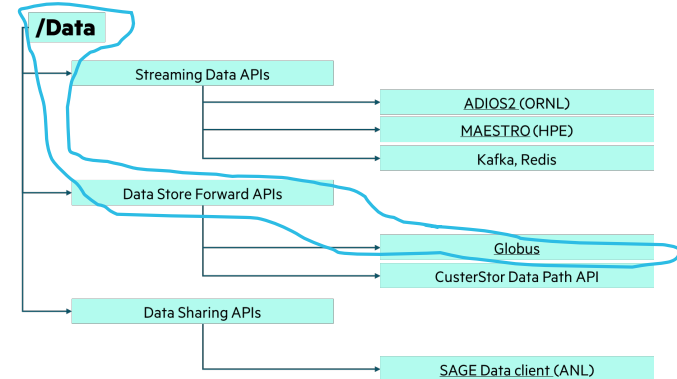
Enables federated hybrid workflows on data from Edge to Extreme-Scale to Cloud



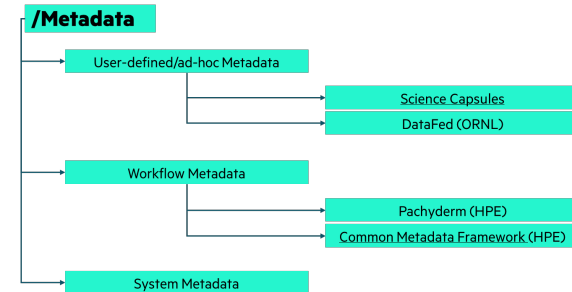
# Orchestrating End-to-end Data Transfers and Metadata Tracking



Source: [Enabling Autonomous Electron Microscopy for Networked Computation and Steering \(2021\)](#)



Proposed /data API's in the Common Federation Framework



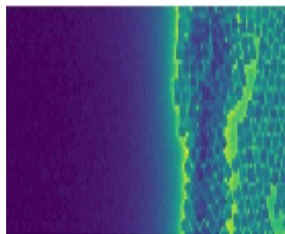
Proposed /metadata API's in the Common Federation Framework

- Executing data streaming, store-forward jobs in edge instrumentation, storage and compute domains
- Enabling ad-hoc and workflow generated metadata to be logged and queried across compute domains

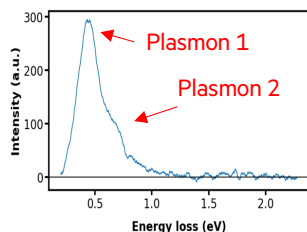


# Steering Microscopy Experiments with Active Meta Learning

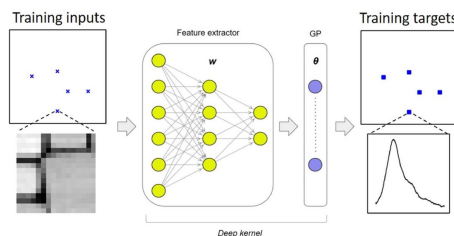
1. Structural imaging is cheap



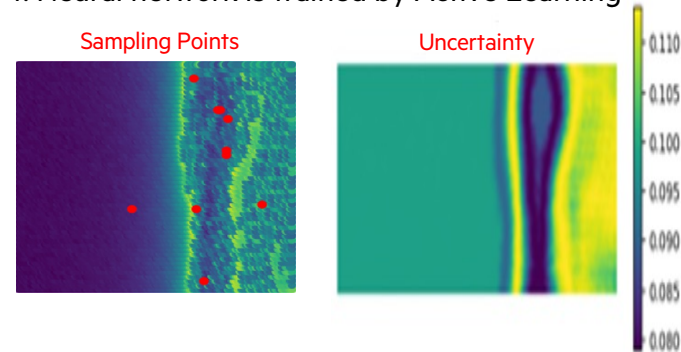
2. Functional analysis is expensive



3. Neural Network reconstructs Structure-Function relationship



4. Neural network is trained by Active Learning



## Problem Statement

1. Prior knowledge not utilized in model development
2. Functional analysis disconnected from physics modeling

## Our Solution

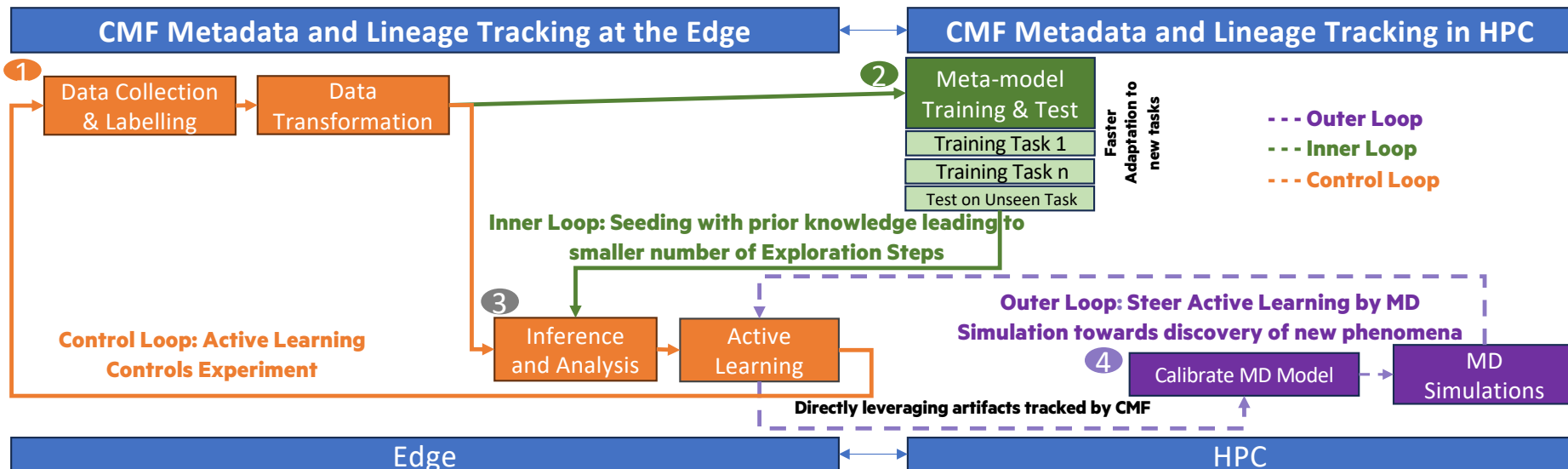
1. Seed Active Learning with a meta-model trained on results from multiple microscopy experiments and sites
2. Drive spectrum-to-function assignment and Active Learning by Molecular Dynamic (MD) simulations. In turn, calibrate MD by experiment

References:

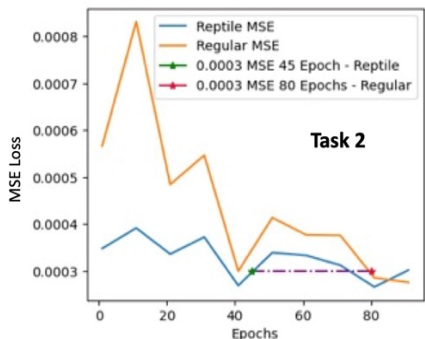
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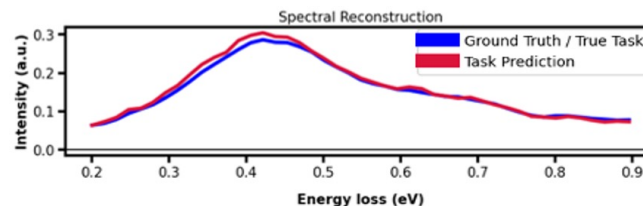
# Preliminary Results and Next Steps



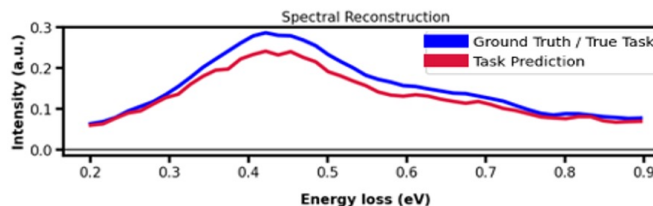
Full Training:  
Reptile vs.  
Regular



Active Learning  
Reptile:

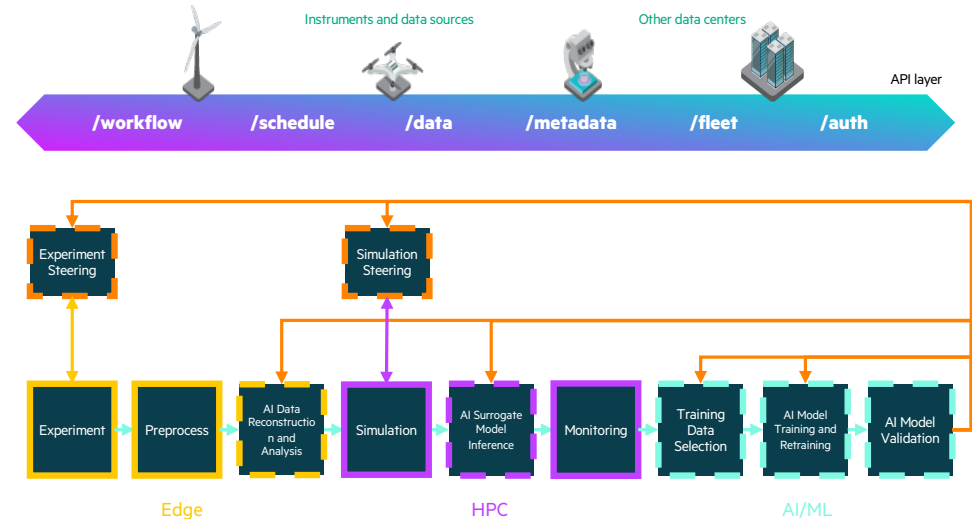


Active Learning  
Regular:



# Results

1. Mapped a real-world Edge + HPC + AI complex workflow involving data, fleet, authentication, and scheduling challenges using **Common Federation Framework (CFF)**
2. Demonstrated algorithmic enhancements to improve efficiency, increase generalization of experiment steering using **Active Meta-learning**
  - Achieves 30-40% reduction in training epochs across domains
  - **Reduces Training Time** while maintaining accuracy
  - Enables efficient training of AI models **across diverse scientific experiments with limited data**
3. Ongoing improvements from workflow metadata capture, lineage tracking, and forensic analysis using **Common Metadata Framework (CMF)**



## Future Challenges and Opportunities

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- Work in integrating MD simulation to enable simulation steering and integration with real-world instruments is ongoing
- Synchronizing different timescales of execution for simulation, experimentation, AI model training, and active learning workflows
- Learn from prior experiment results and data characteristics to accelerate meta-model optimization after adding new data sets
- Investigate simulation steering (calibration of simulation parameters) from results of active learning
- Consider necessary APIs and their organization for the Common Federation Framework (CFF)



# Thank you



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