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Thales Embedded Explainable AI System:

Towards the Adoption of AI for Autonomous Train

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Operating Constraints

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Systems with **limited size, weight** and **power**

Operating **critical** decisions

With **human-in-the-loop / explanation** required

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Machine Learning for Critical Systems

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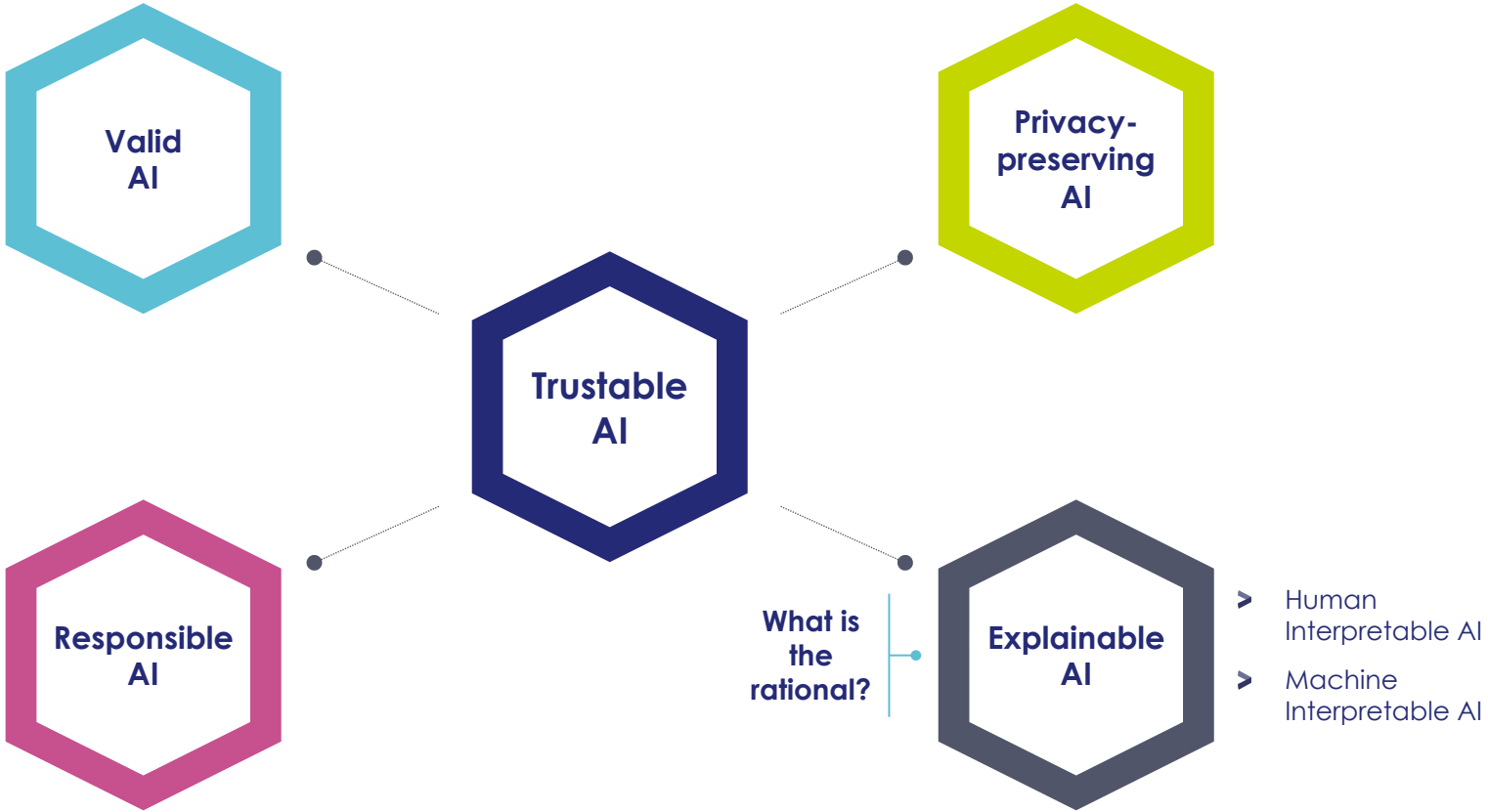
AI Adoption: Requirements



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State of the Art Machine Learning Applied to Critical Systems

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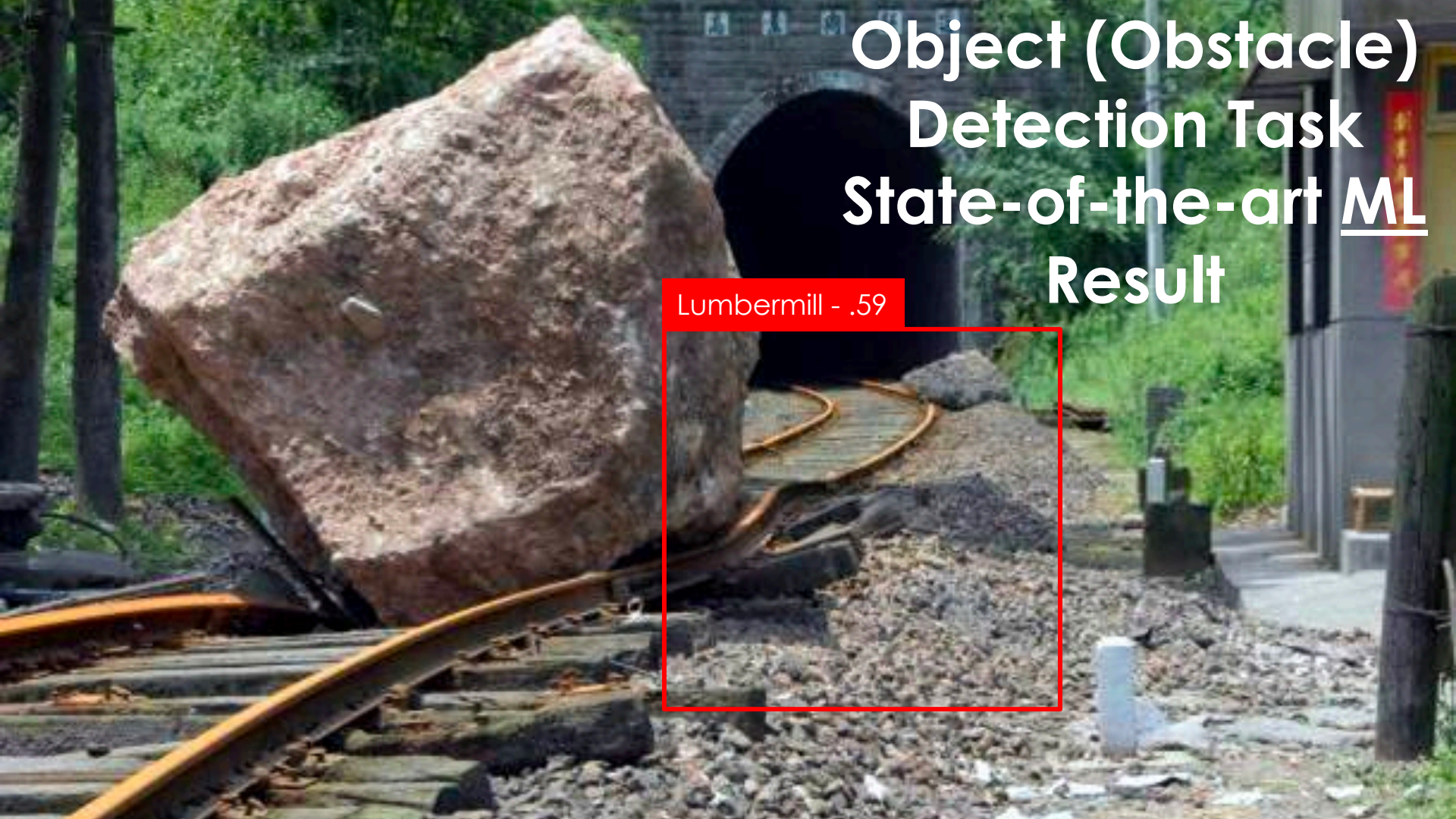
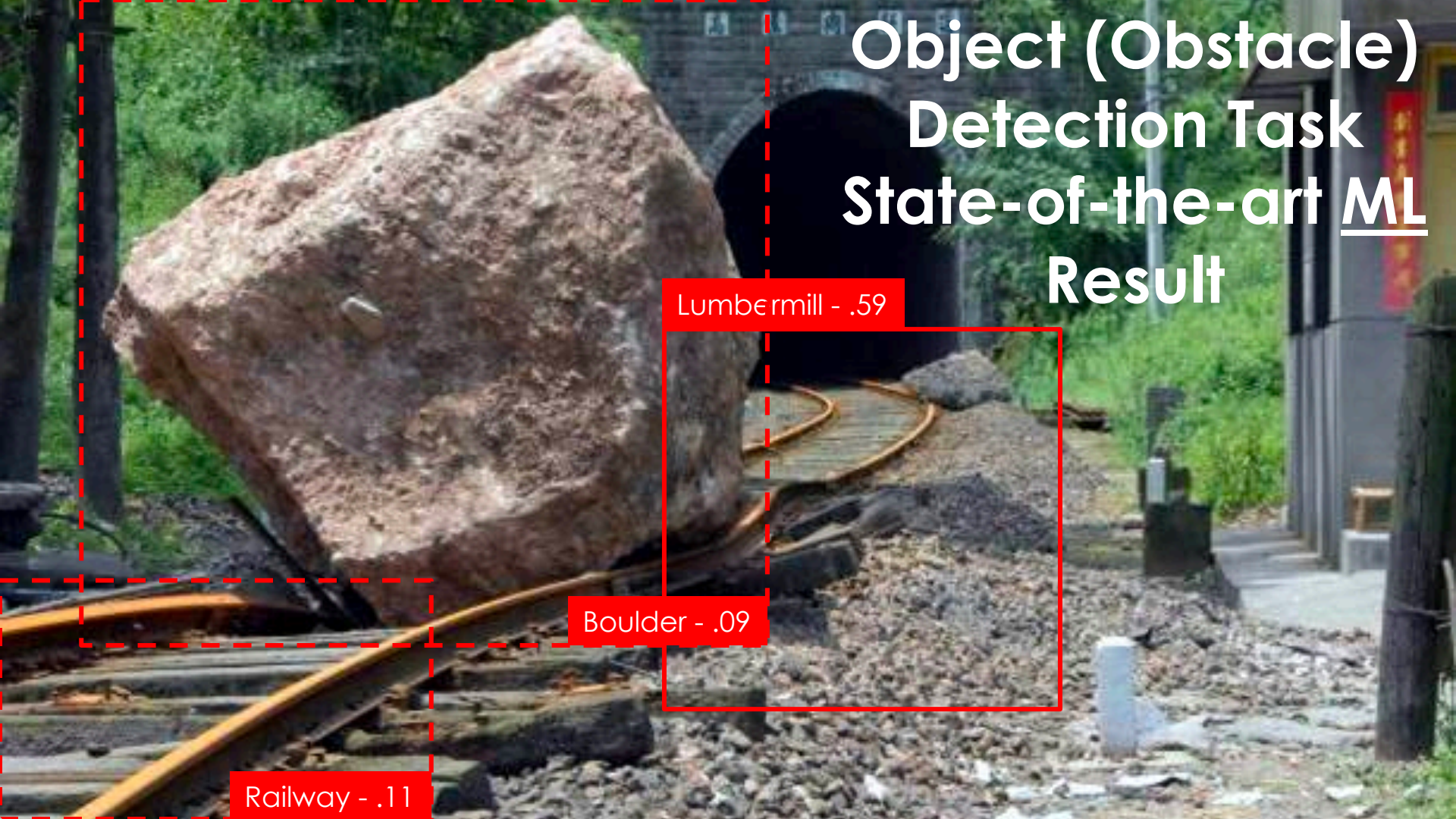
Object (Obstacle)
Detection Task

Object (Obstacle) Detection Task State-of-the-art ML Result

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Lumbermill - .59
Boulder - .09
Railway - .11

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Unfortunately, this is of NO use for a human behind the system

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Let’s stay back

Why this Explanation? (meta explanation)

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After Human Reasoning…

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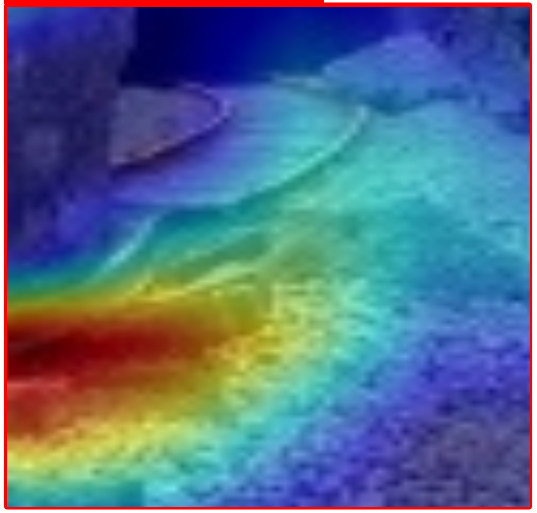
Lumbermill - .59



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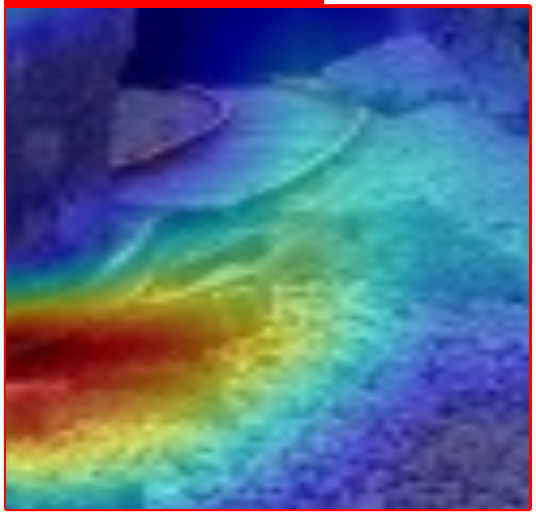
What is missing?

Lumbermill - .59



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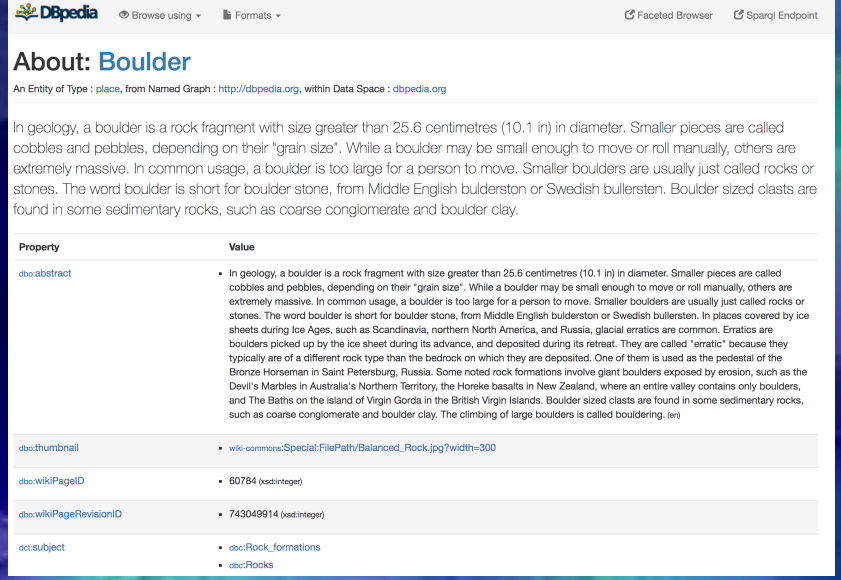
Context matters

Boulder - .09

Railway - .11



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About: Boulder

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In geology, a boulder is a rock fragment with size greater than 25.6 centimetres (10.1 in) in diameter. Smaller pieces are called cobbles and pebbles, depending on their "grain size". While a boulder may be small enough to move or roll manually, others are extremely massive. In common usage, a boulder is too large for a person to move. Smaller boulders are usually just called rocks or stones. The word boulder is short for boulder stone, from Middle English bulderston or Swedish bullersten. Boulder sized clasts are found in some sedimentary rocks, such as coarse conglomerate and boulder clay.

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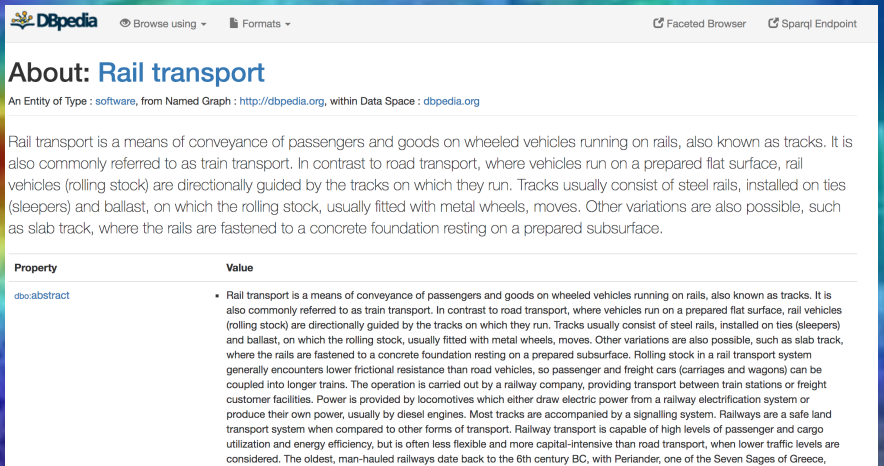

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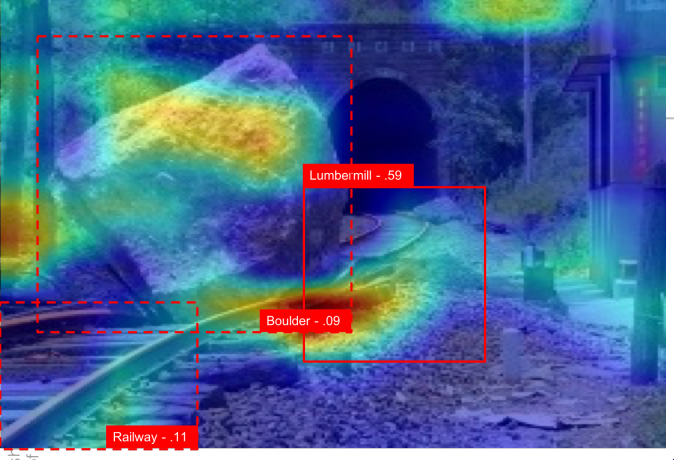
XAI Thales Platform

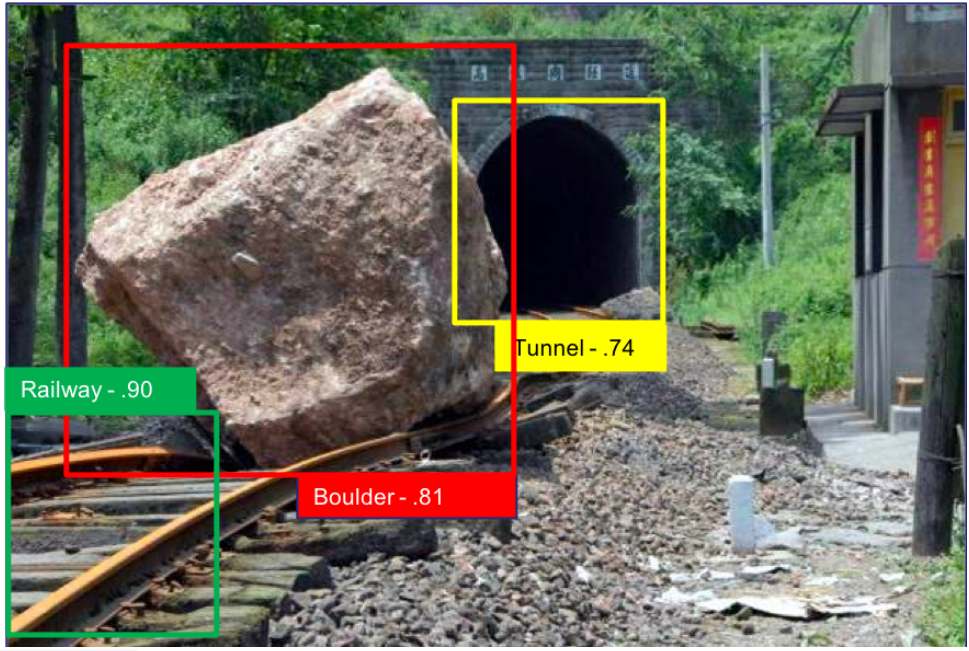
Higher accuracy with no intensive fine-tuning
Human interpretable explanation
Running on the edge at inference time



- **Hardware**: **High performance, scalable, generic** (to different FGPA family) **& portable** CNN dedicated **programmable** processor implemented on an FPGA for **real-time embedded inference**

- **Software**: Knowledge graph extension of object detection

Transitioning



This is an **Obstacle: Boulder** obstructing the train: XG142-R on **Rail_Track** from City: Cannes to City: Marseille at **Location: Tunnel VIX** due to **Landslide**

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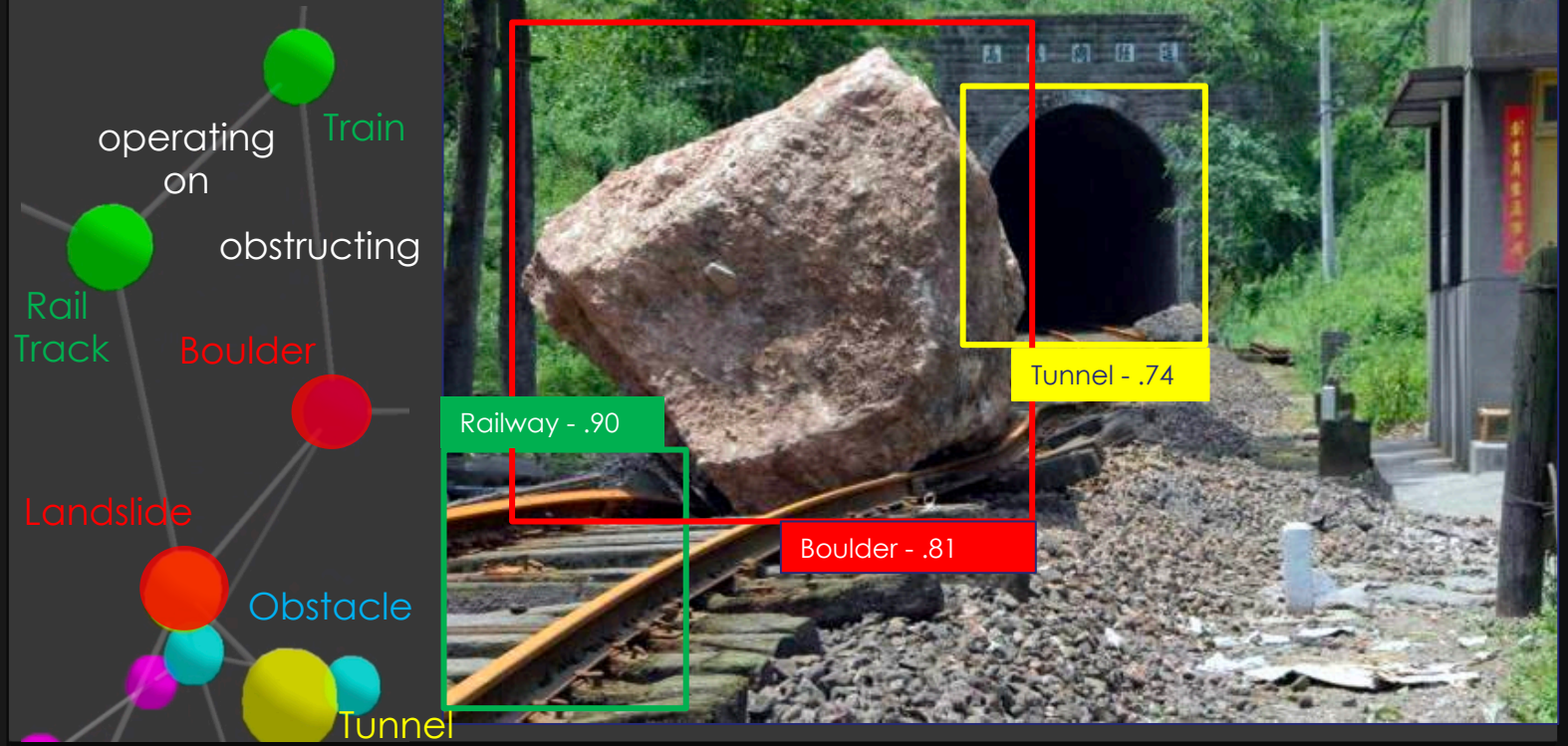
EXPLANATIONS

Lime

ResNet50 image classifier



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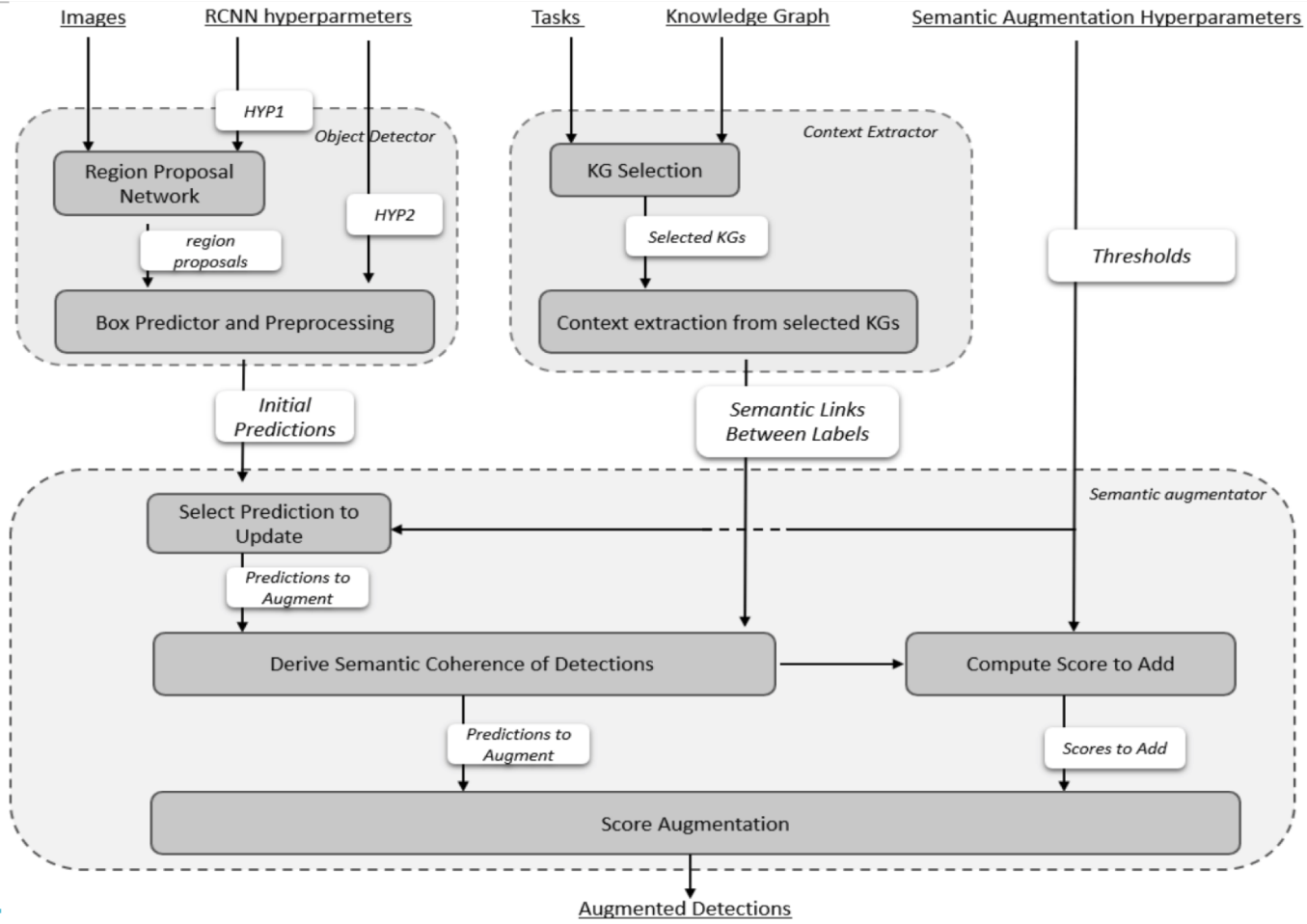

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Ecosystem

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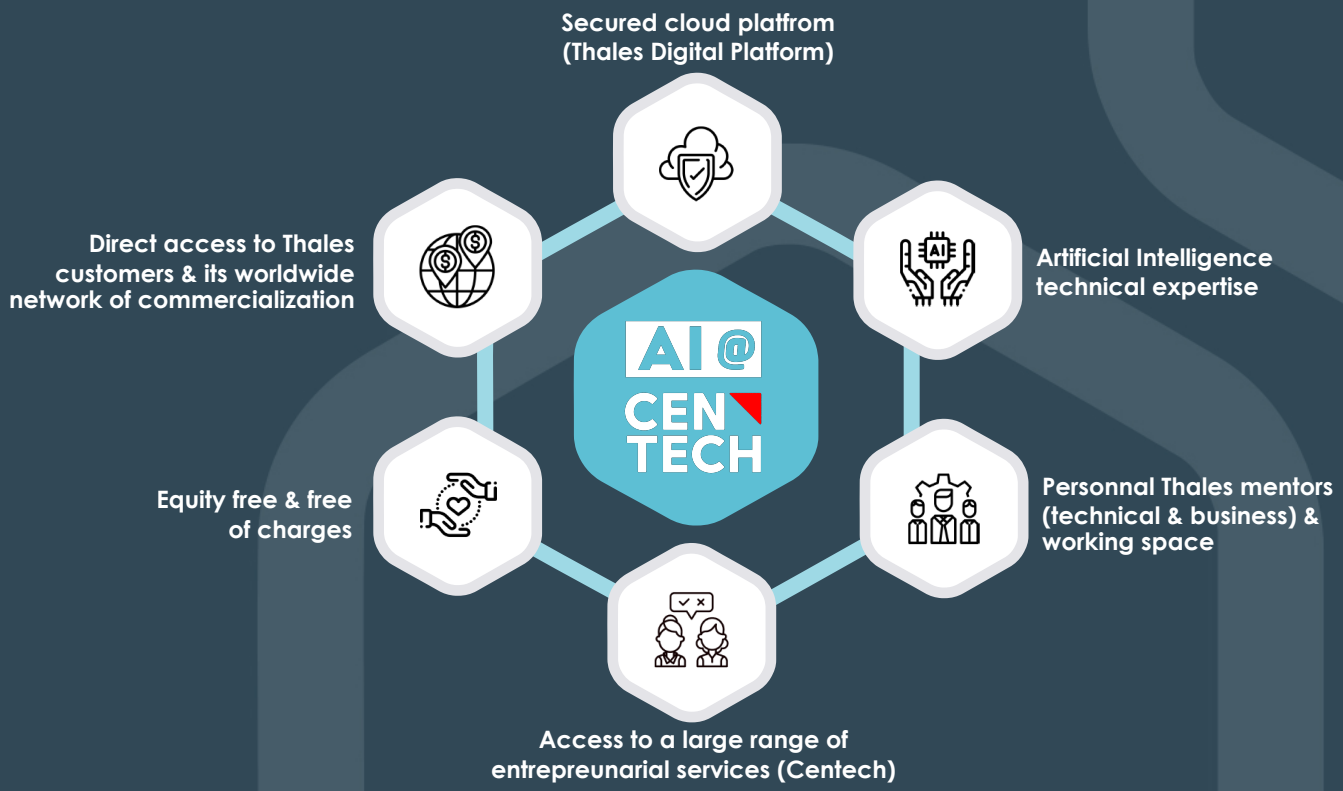

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