

A Deep Learning Parameterization for Ozone Dry Deposition Velocities

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What is ozone dry deposition?

20-25% of all ozone loss in the troposphere

Varies with:

- Turbulence
- Plant Physiology
- Surface Chemistry
- More!



The loss of ozone to the surface of the earth.

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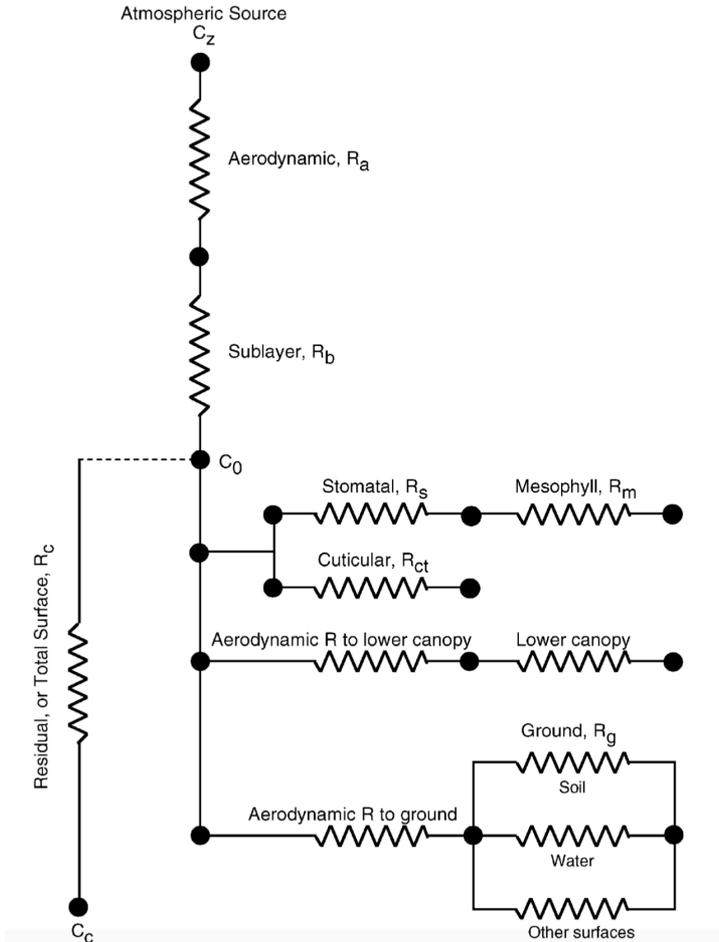
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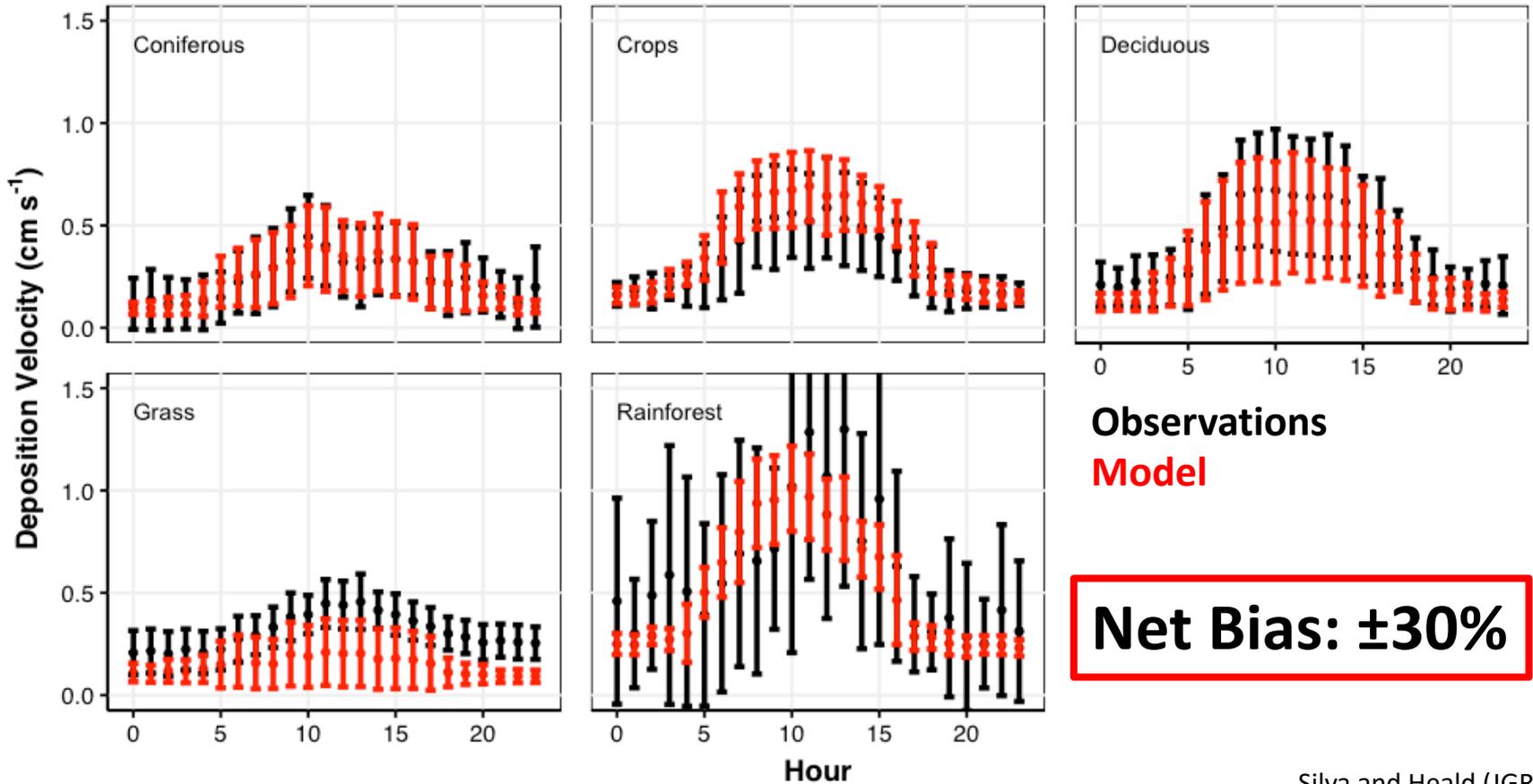
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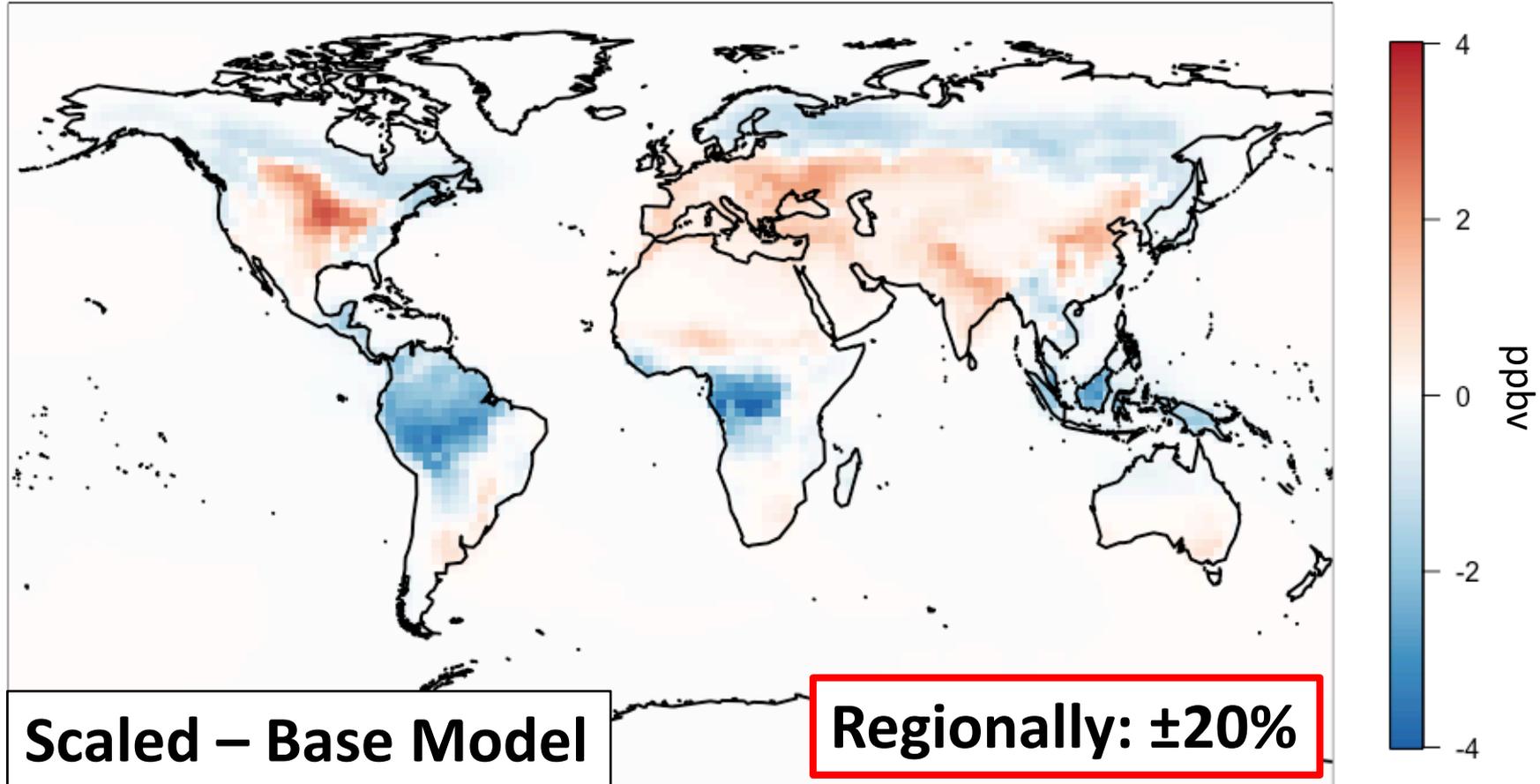


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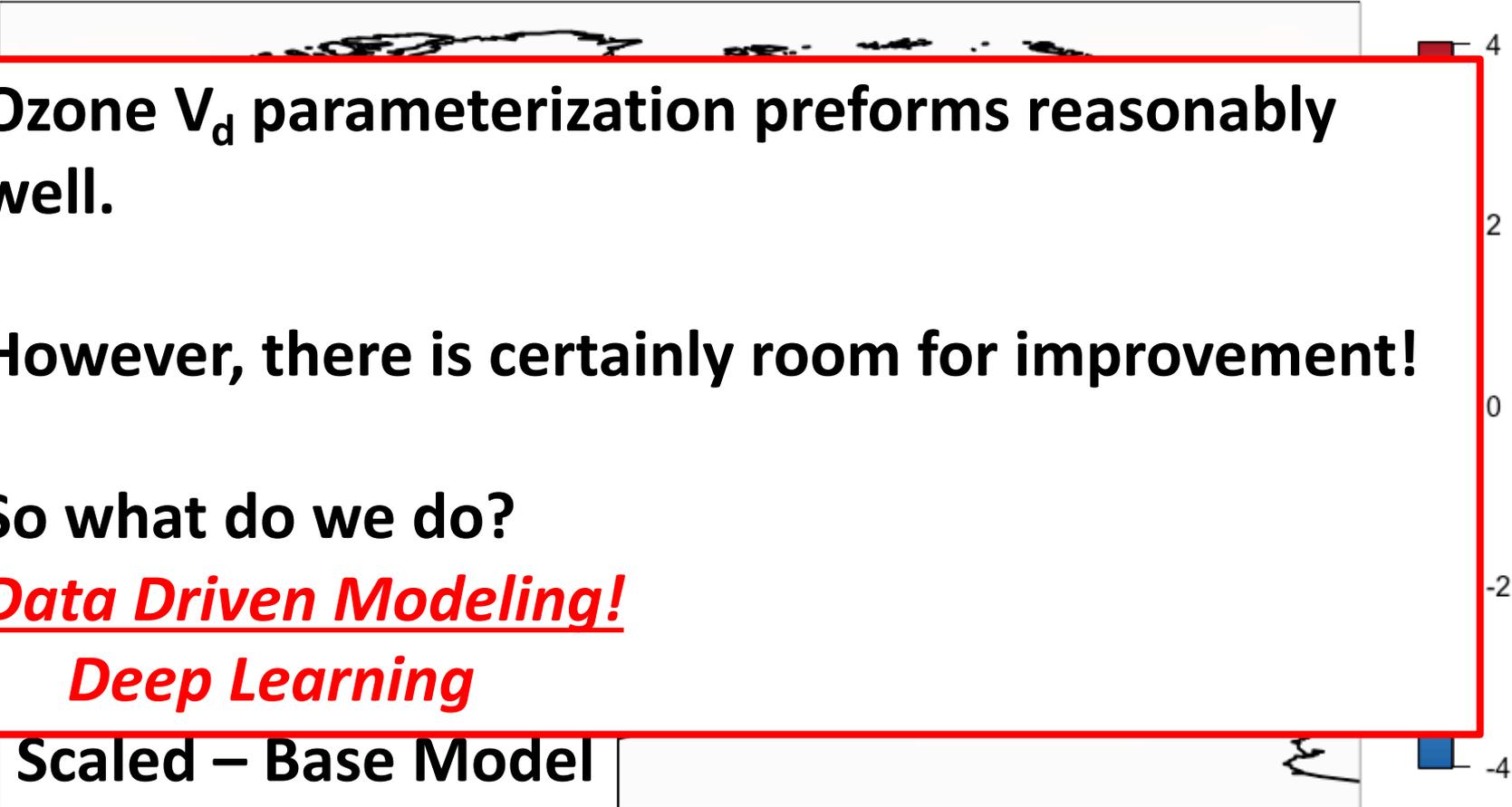
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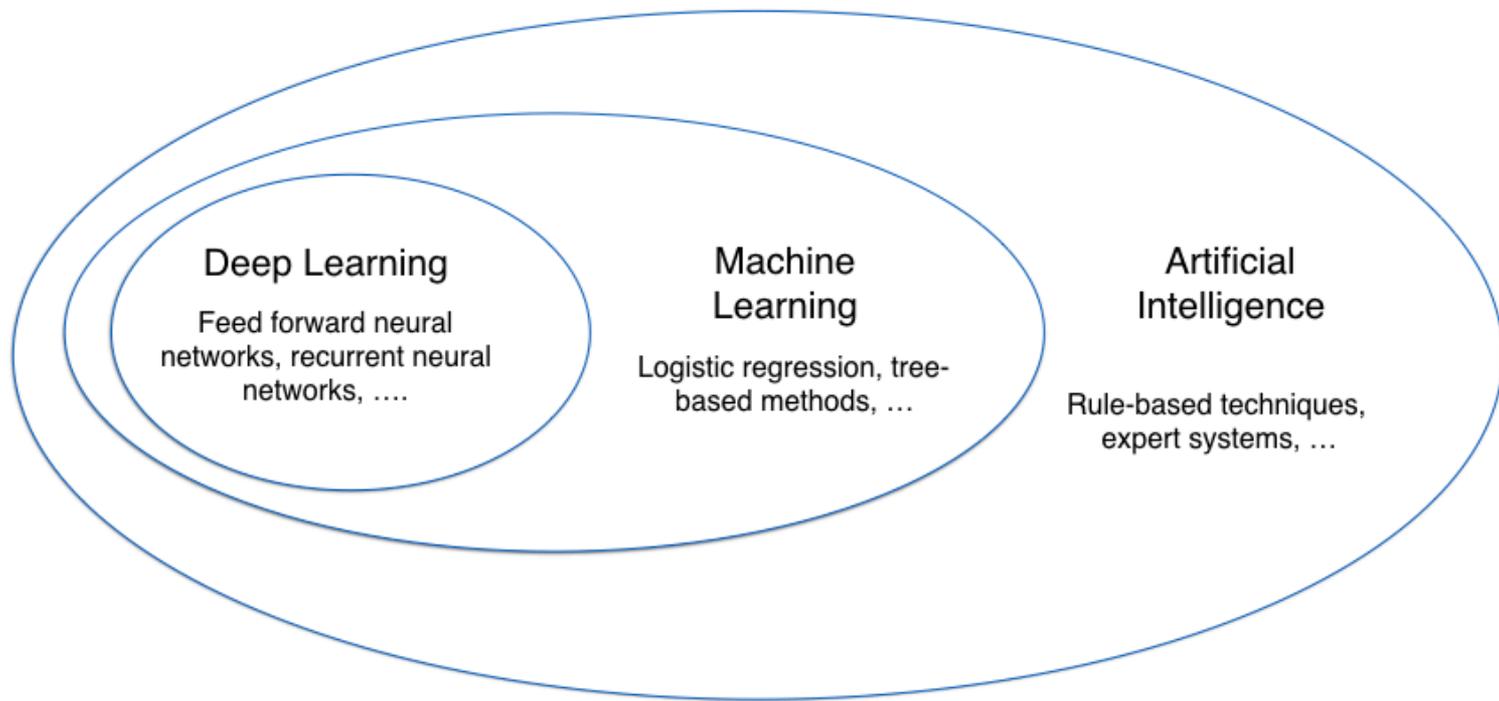
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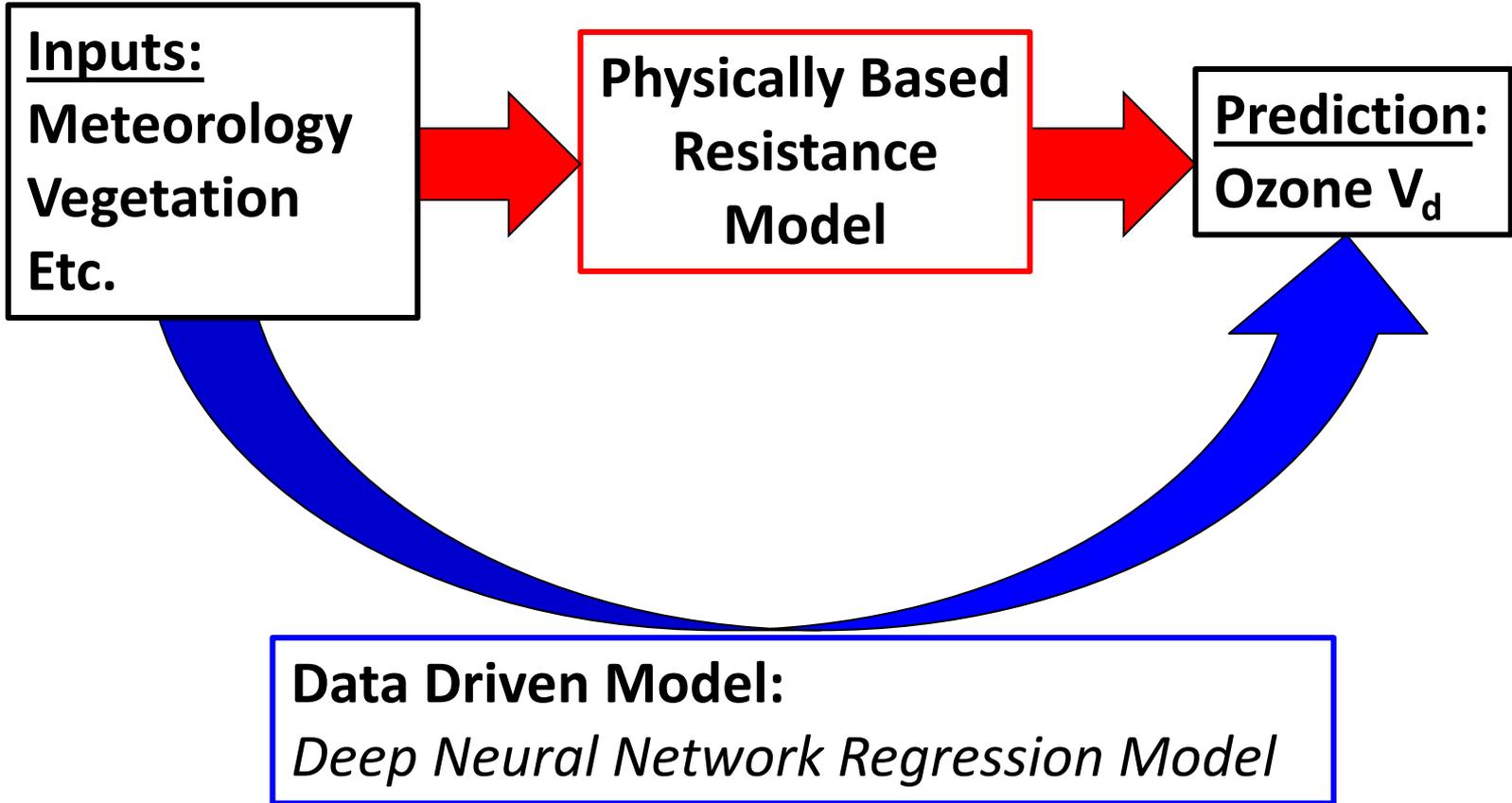
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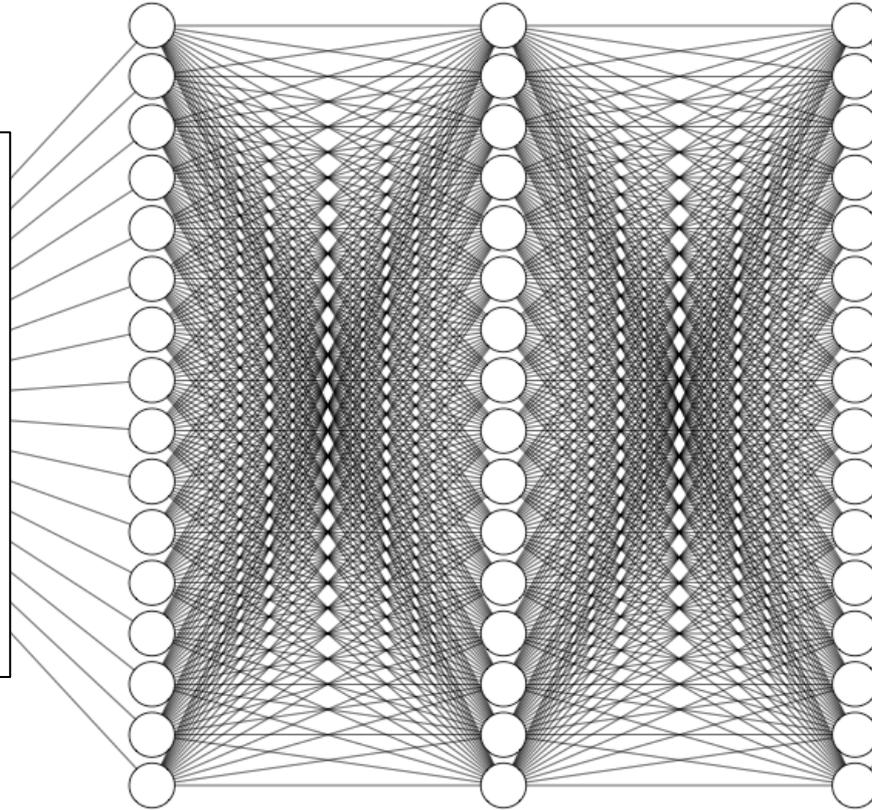


A method of building empirical models from data

Deep Learning Regression Model



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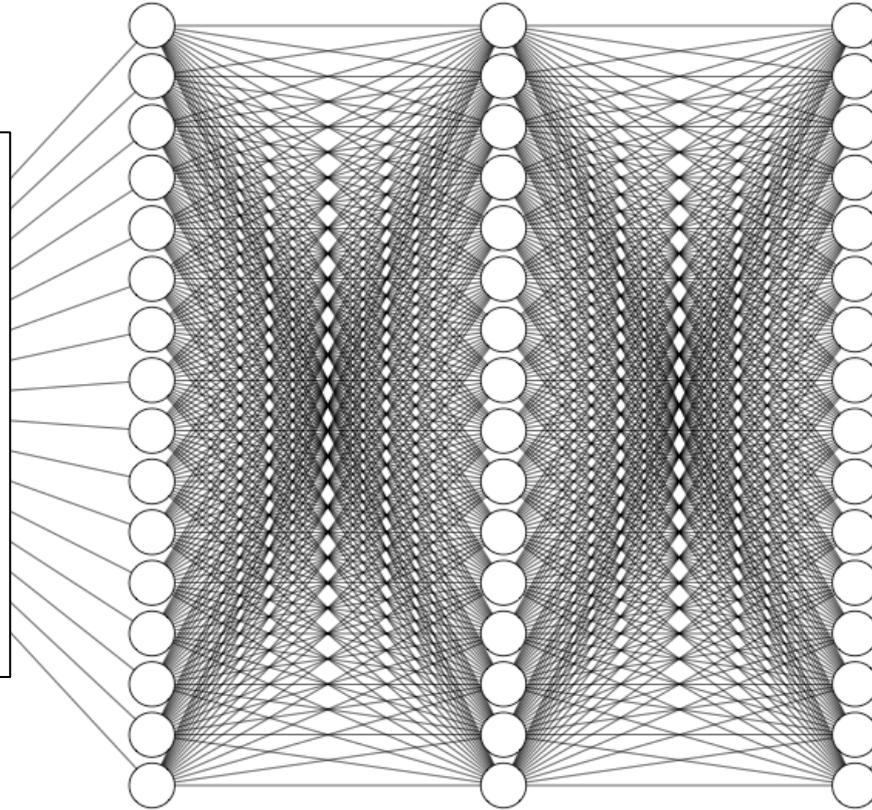
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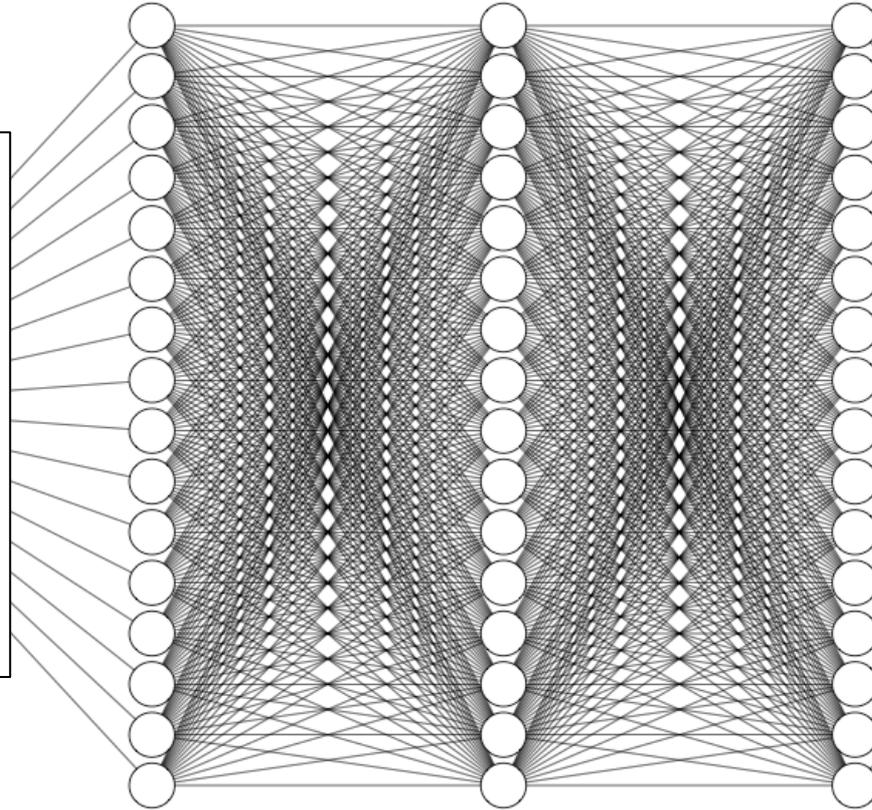
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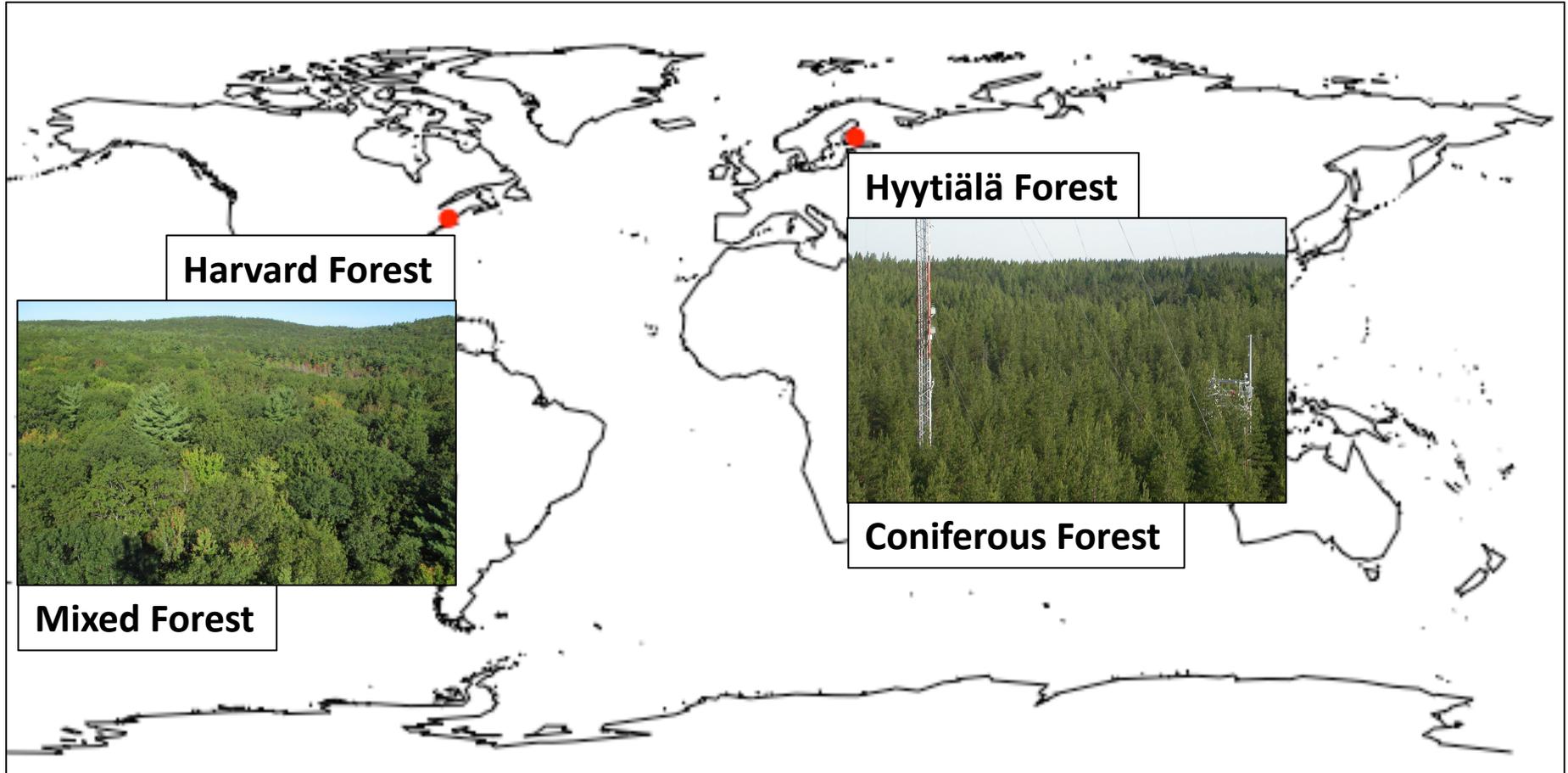
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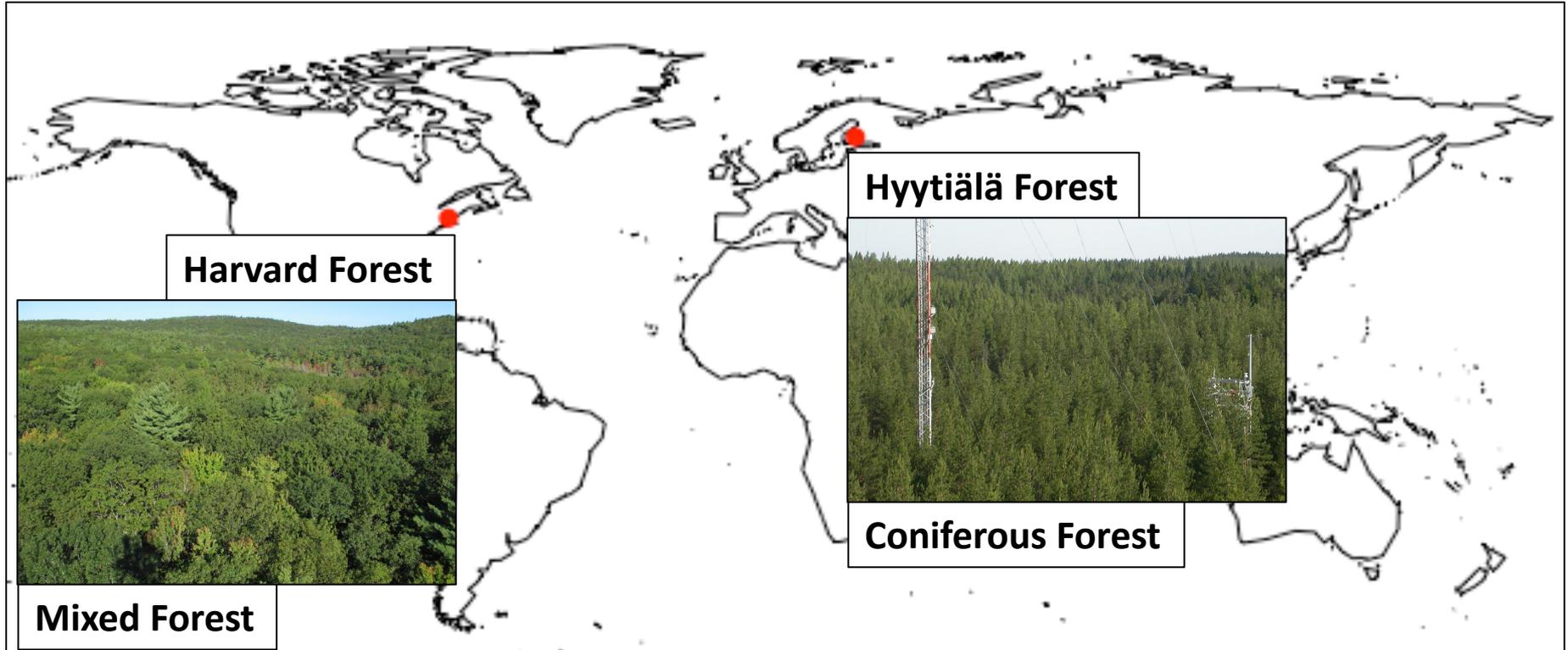
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Requirements: Large sets of input data for parameter training

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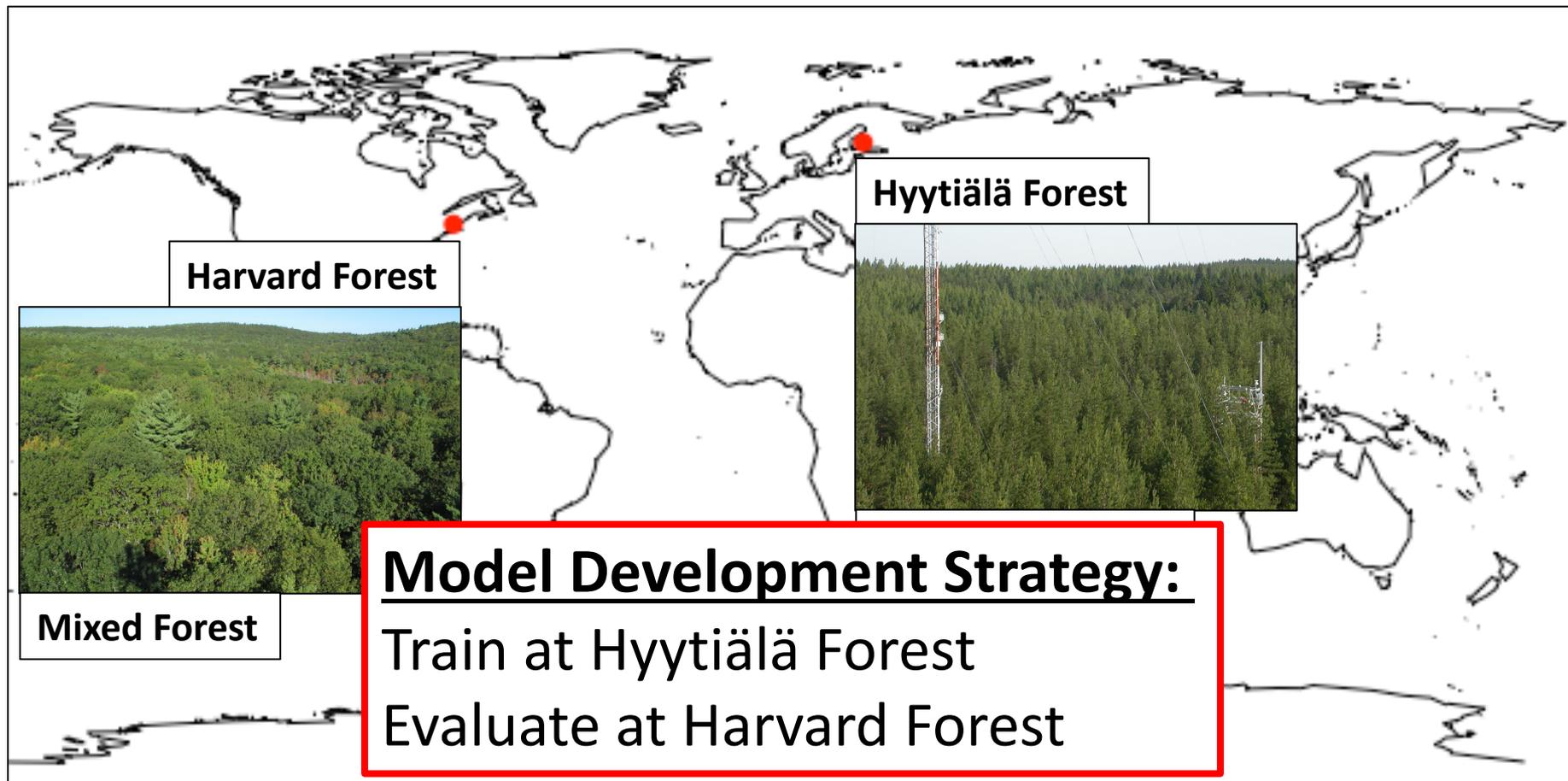


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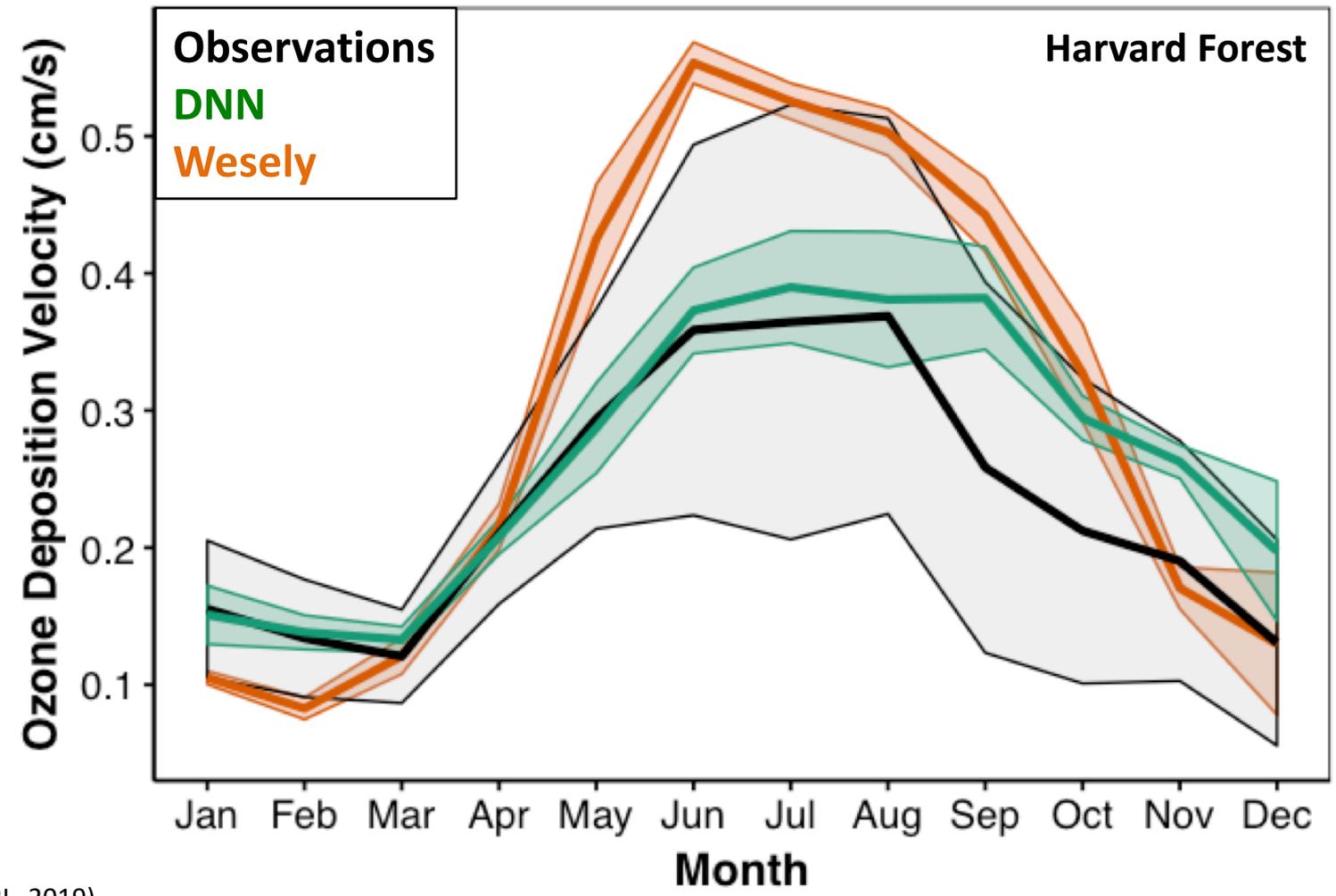


~10 years of V_d observations, with auxiliary measurements

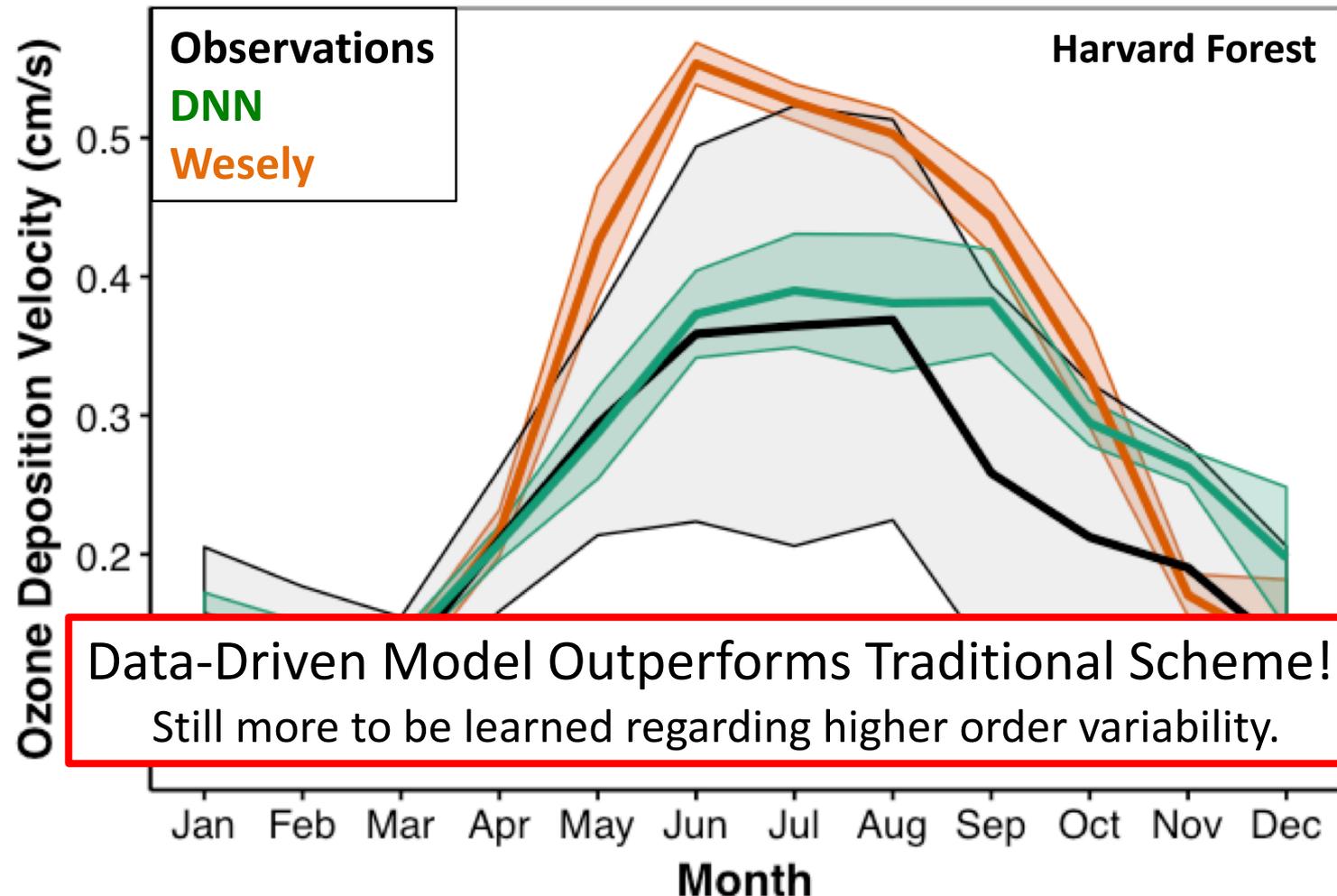
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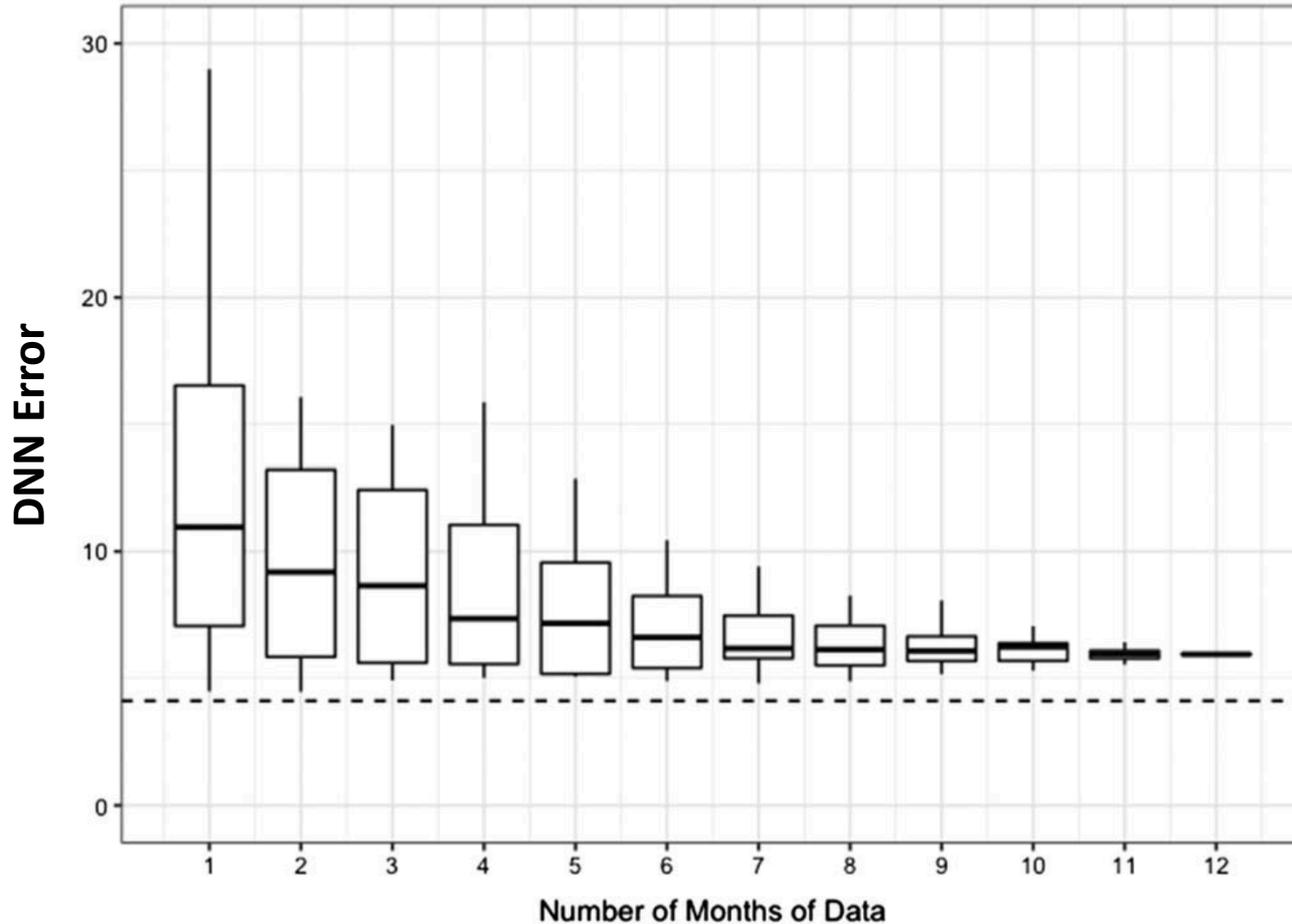
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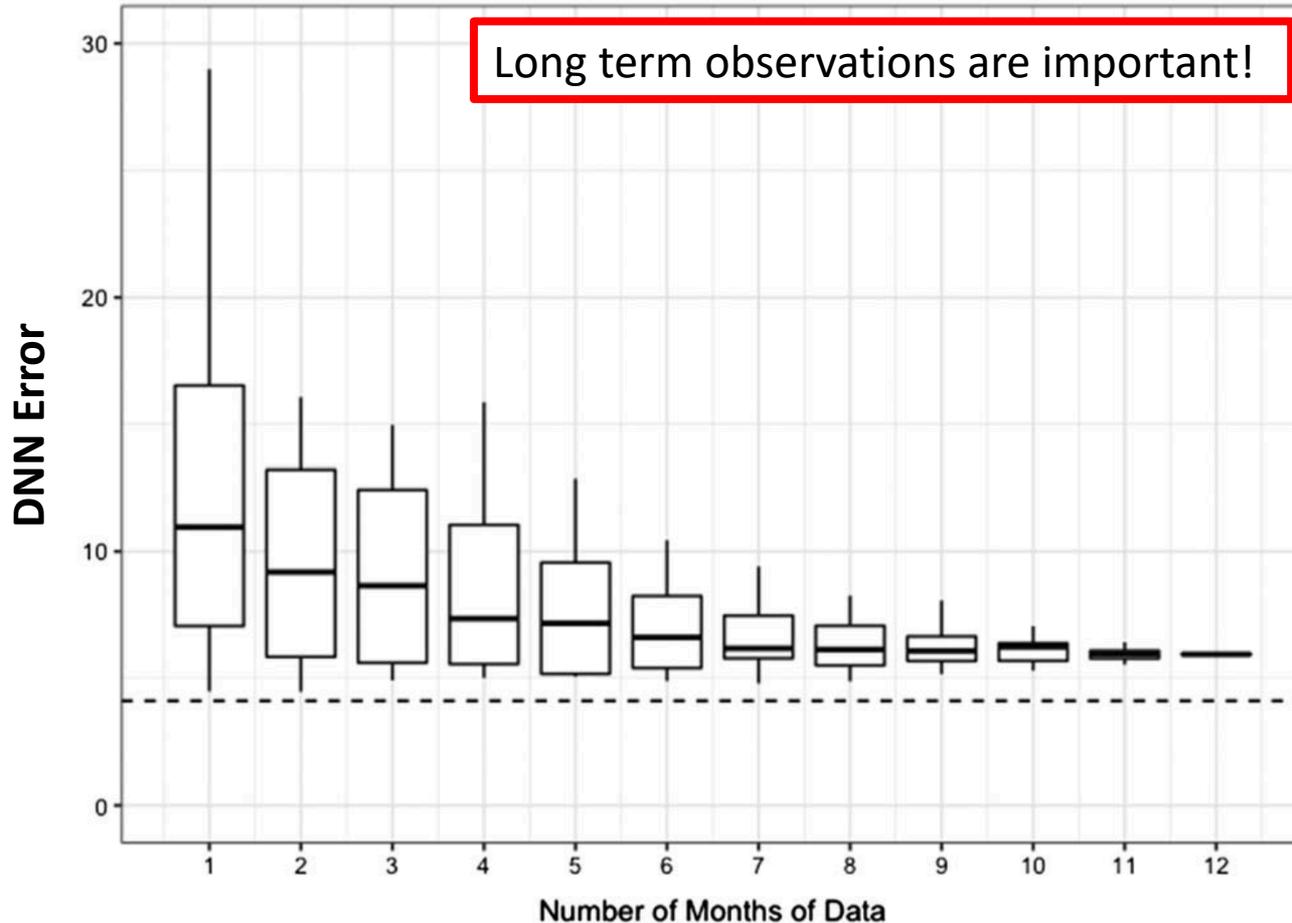
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Model	R	MSE	Time
DNN	0.35	0.20	1.00
Linear	0.22	0.52	< 0.01
Random forest	0.36	0.19	1.27
Ridge	0.33	0.43	0.07

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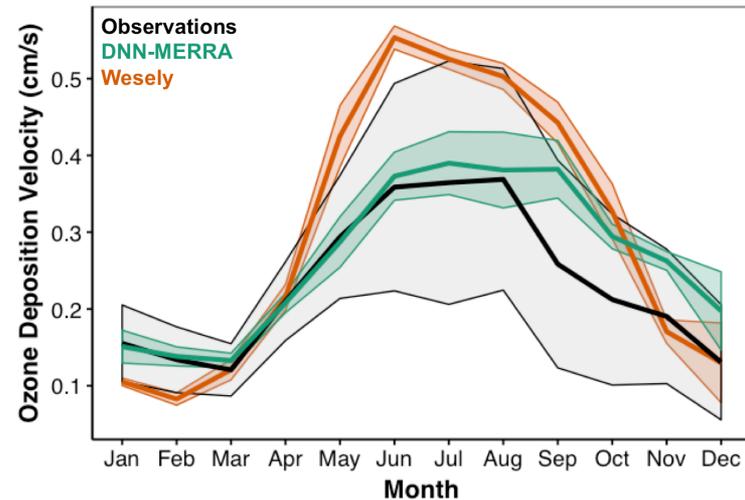
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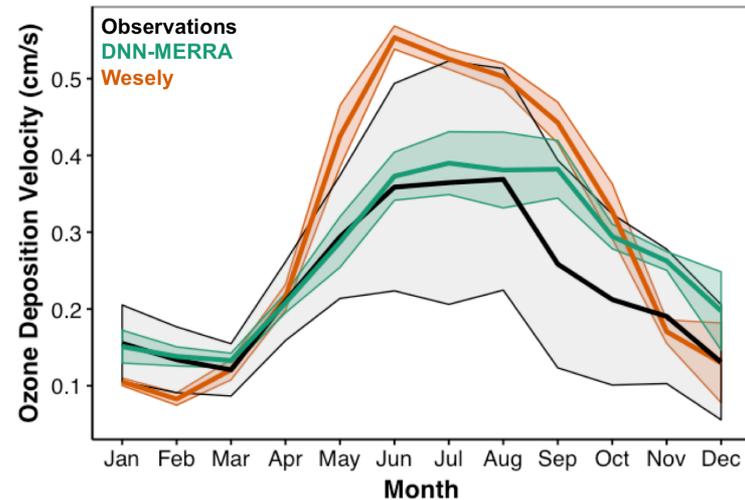
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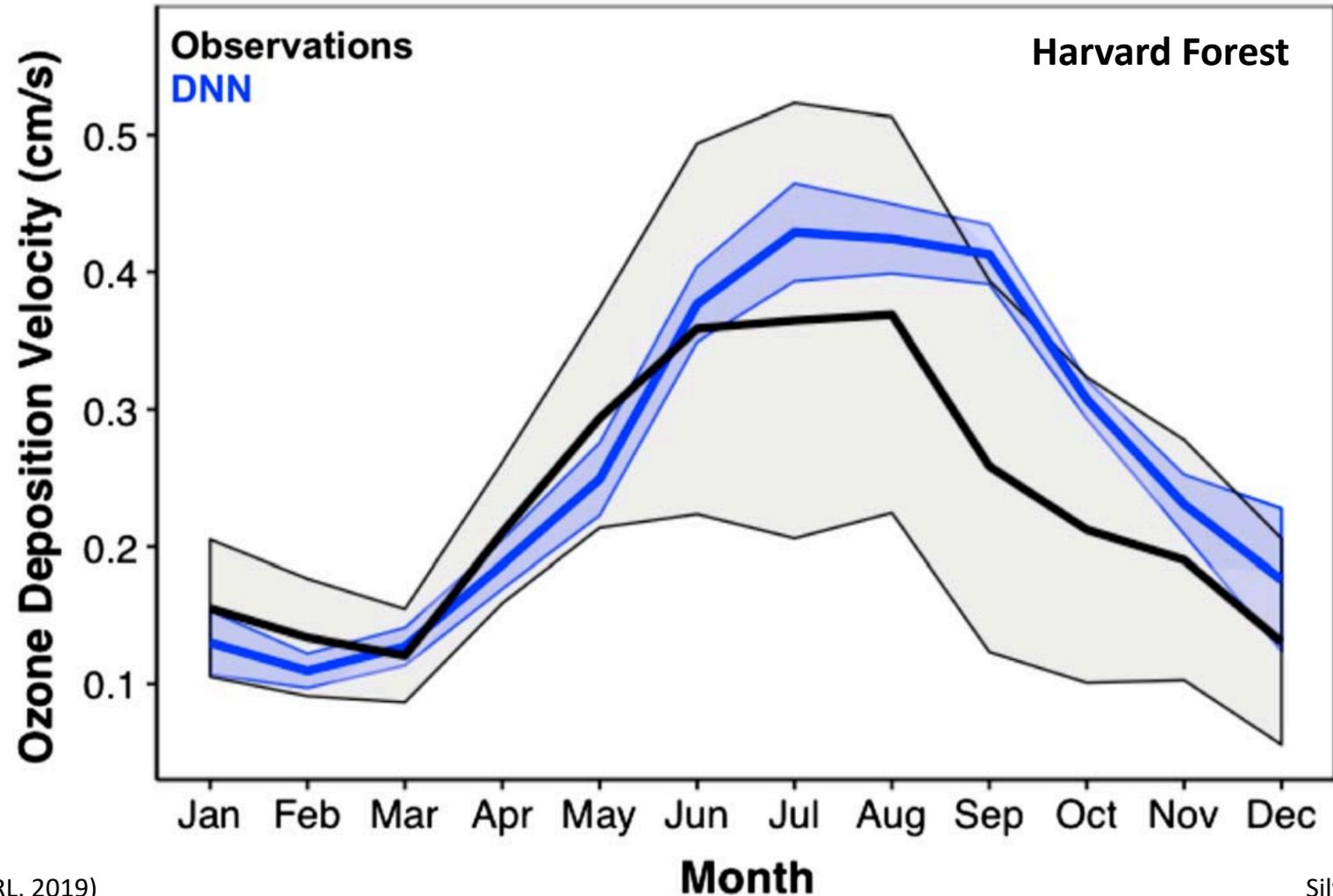
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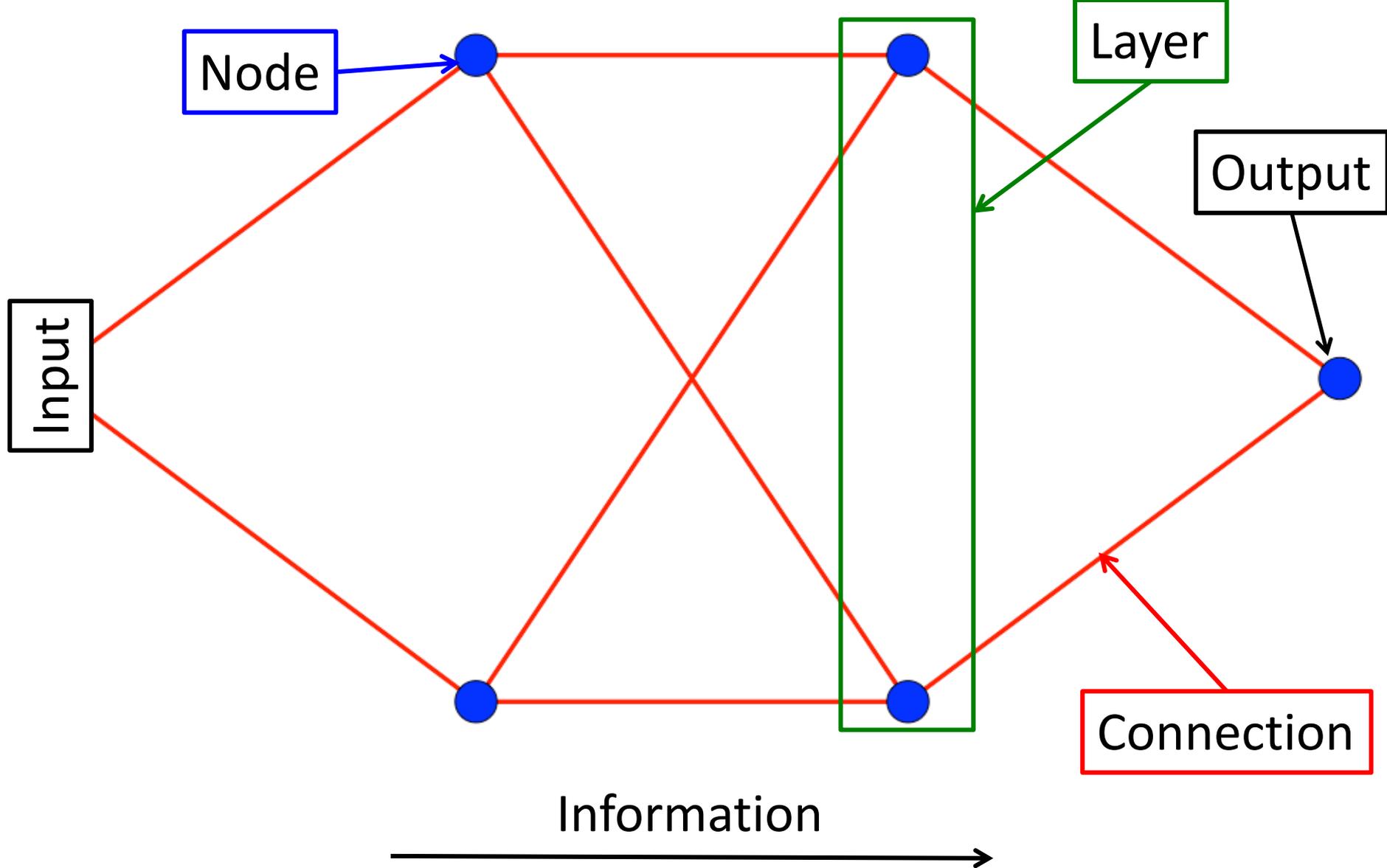


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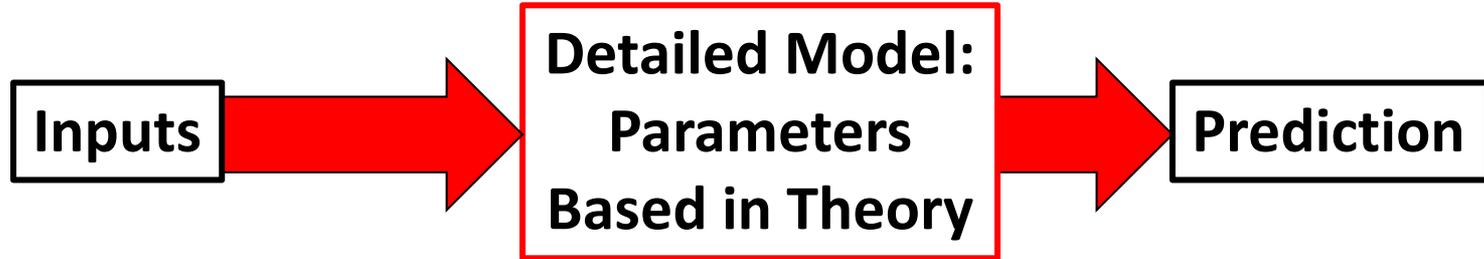
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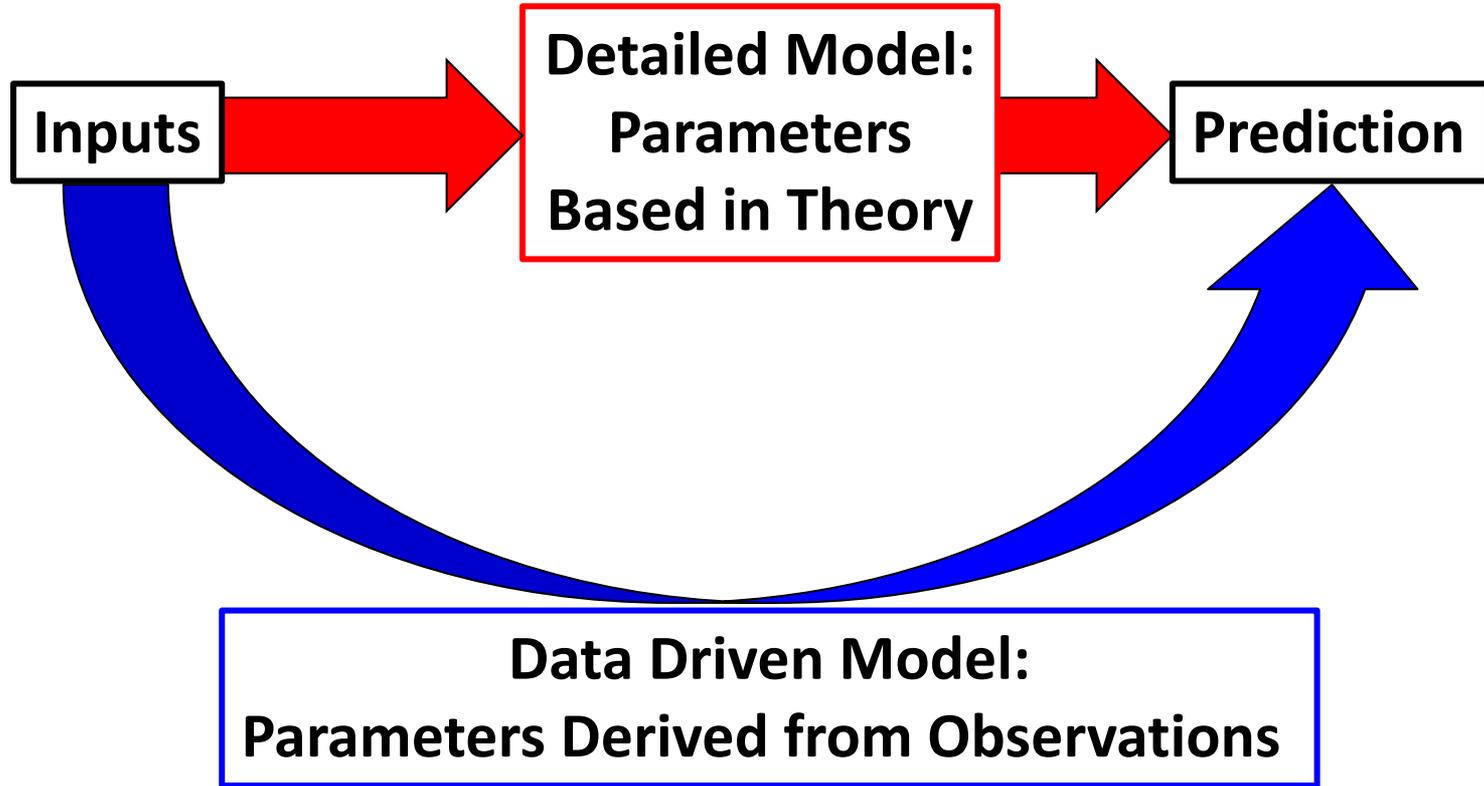




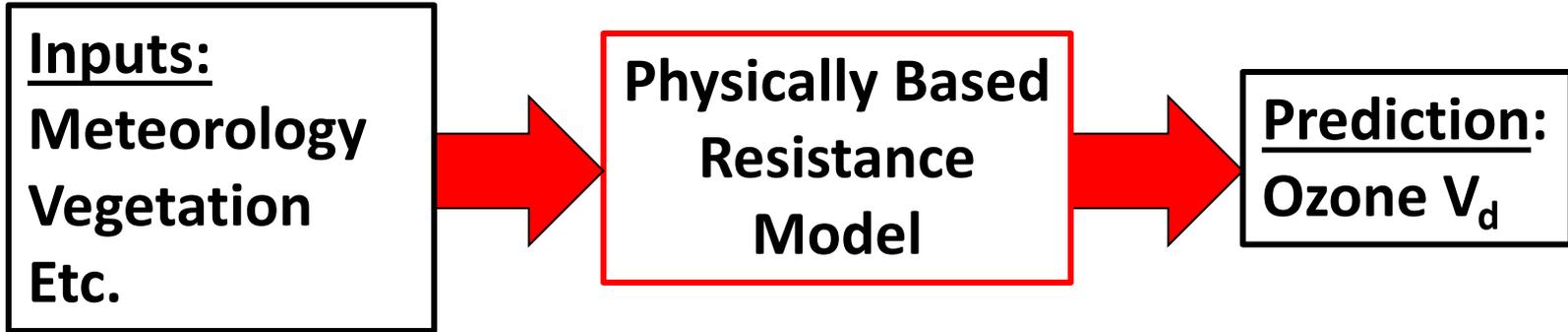
Theory Driven Modeling



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Traditional V_d Resistance Model



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