



# Deploying AI on the Plant Floor with FrameworX and ML.NET

*Aim high, start simple, scale without limits.*



# What we'll cover today

Agenda

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Tatsoft + FrameworX: the platform context

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Why ML is becoming practical in industrial systems

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Why ML.NET fits naturally inside a .NET-based platform

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Demo: anomaly detection with ML.NET → operational data in FrameworX

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Plus: a quick look at MCP (connecting to external AI services)

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Q&A



# Who will be presenting

Meet our team



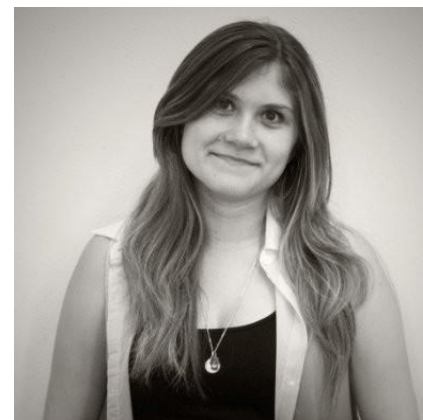
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Tatsoft + FrameworX



# Tatsoft

About our company

- 30+ years building industrial real-time software
- Founded by the original creators of InduSoft
- Global operations (US, Brazil, Europe, Asia)
- Deployed across manufacturing, energy, water, F&B, life sciences, transportation, O&G, data centers
- Focus: production industrial infrastructure (not an experimental analytics tool)



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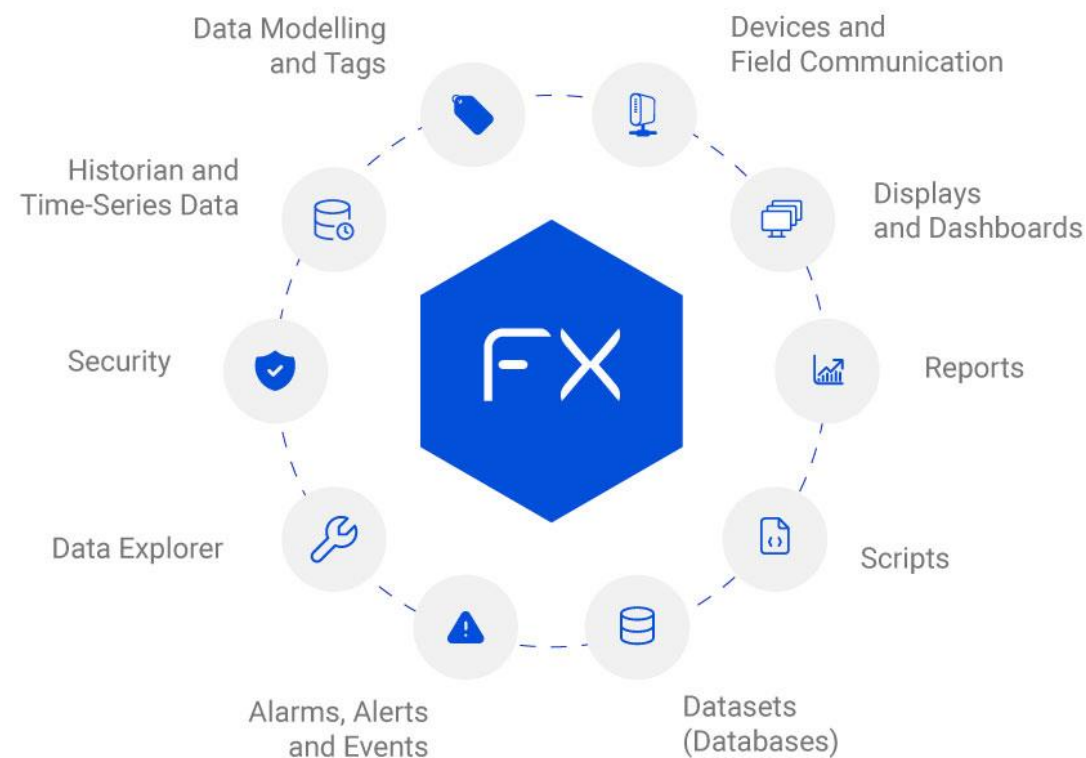
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- .NET 8 managed architecture + native Python 3 support
- Single unified platform (not a collection of add-ons)
- Alarms, historian, security, scripting, MQTT, connectivity, visualization — in one designer + runtime
- Deploy the same project to edge devices, servers, VMs, or containers
- This unified foundation makes ML practical (results become operational data)



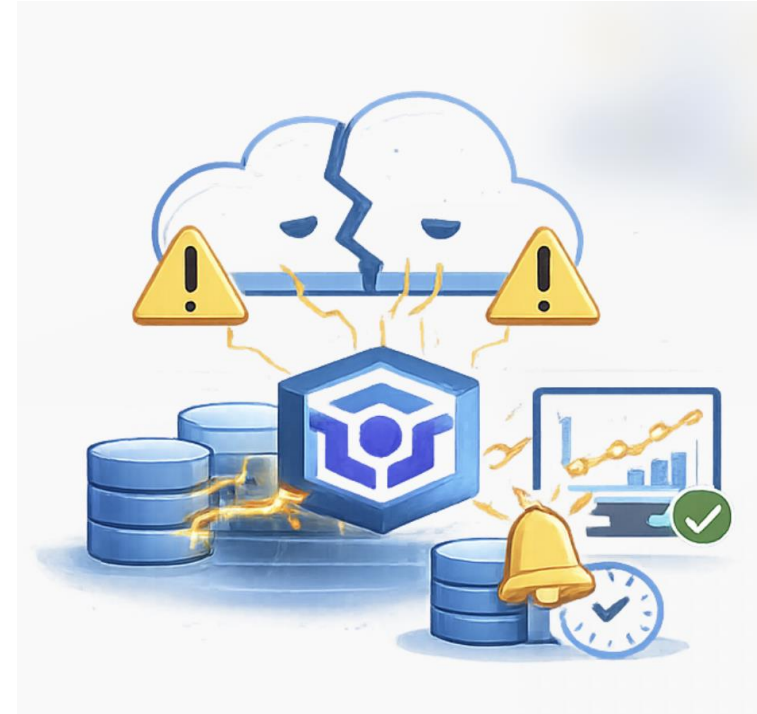
- Modern managed runtime: performance, debugging, versioning, long-term support
- One runtime for scripts, calculations, alarms, business logic — and machine learning
- Avoids “bolt-on” execution environments that make production integration fragile



# Why ML matters (inside the platform)

Operationalizing ML

- External ML can create gaps: duplicated data, fragile integrations, limited visibility
- When ML runs inside FrameworkX, results become first-class operational data
- ML outputs can be alarmed, historized, visualized, and acted on like any other signal







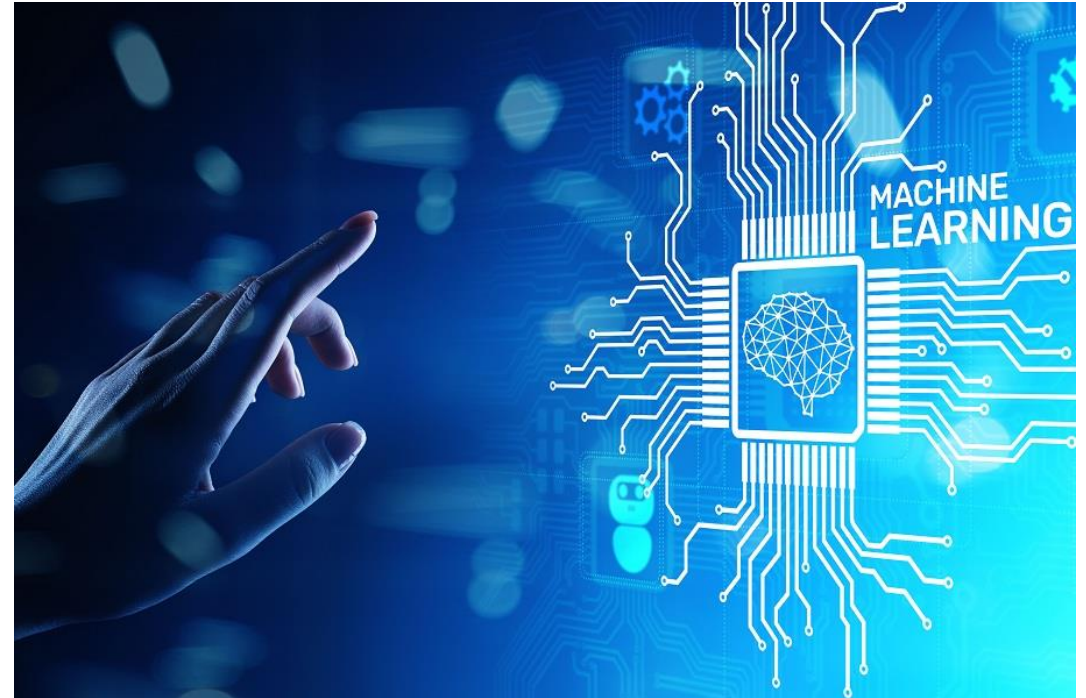
# Why Machine Learning in Industrial Applications?



# Why use machine learning?

Practical Value

- Optimize processes and improve outcomes
- Retain expertise (capture “tribal knowledge” before it walks out the door)
- Scale insights across the whole plant — not just one machine at a time



- Increase production output
- Reduce scrap and rework
- Shorter cycle times
- Reduce unplanned downtime
- Improve product quality
- Energy savings and better scheduling
- Root cause analysis support





# Where ML delivers the best ROI

A practical starting shortlist

## Predictive maintenance

Detect issues early and avoid downtime

## Defect detection

Flag quality problems before they ship

## Process optimization

Tune setpoints, reduce scrap, improve throughput

## Production forecasting

Plan scheduling and materials with better accuracy

<b>Binary classification</b>	Fail in next 24 hours?
<b>Multiclass classification</b>	Which defect type?
<b>Regression</b>	Estimate cycle time or energy consumption
<b>Time-series forecasting</b>	Forecast hourly production output
<b>Anomaly detection</b>	Abnormal vibration/temperature patterns
<b>Clustering</b>	Normal vs stressed vs inefficient operating states
<b>Decision trees / random forests</b>	Which variables drive failures?
<b>Gradient-boosted trees</b>	Complex relationships to improve yield



***Machine learning complements  
traditional control logic — it  
doesn't replace it.***



- Typical Data type: structured/tabular sensor data (temp, vibration, pressure)
- Speed: fast, compiled
- Integration: full .NET/C# compatibility; deploy inside FrameworX without external runtimes
- Model Building: Visual Studio Model Builder extension to create/train/evaluate to create code or manually written code which calls methods



# ML.NET Model Builder

Visual Studio

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ML.NET Model Builder

### Build your machine learning model

- ✓ 1. Scenario
- ✓ 2. Data
- ✓ 3. Train
- ✓ 4. Evaluate
- 5. Code

**Code**

Add machine learning model and projects for model consumption and training to your solution.

Adding Projects

**Next Steps**

1. Try  
Run ConsoleApp to try the model.
2. Consume  
Add reference to generated library project and use the code below.

```
// Add ML.NET namespaces
using Microsoft.ML;

public void ConsumeModel()
{
    // Load the model
    MLContext mlContext = new MLContext();
    ITransformer mlModel = mlContext.Model.Load("MLModel.zip",
    out var modelInputSchema);
    var predEngine =
```

Solution Explorer

Search Solution Explorer (Ctrl+;) Properties

Solution 'myMLApp' (3 projects)

- myMLApp
  - Dependencies
  - comments.tsv
  - Program.cs
- myMLAppML.ConsoleApp
  - Dependencies
  - ModelBuilder.cs
  - Program.cs
- myMLAppML.Model
  - Dependencies
  - DataModels
  - MLModel.zip

Solution Explorer Team Explorer

Output Error List

Ready Add to Source Control





# Python-based libraries

Complete Solution



- Typical Data type: complex or time-series sensor data
- Speed: Slower, interpreted
- Integration: Run Python code in FrameworkX
- Model Building: Write code to access open-source machine learning libraries. Typically create a pipeline of scripts to build required functionality.



# Choose the right tool for the job

ML.NET vs Python (both are valid)

**ML.NET/C# + Python support** → deploy the right approach for each application.

## When ML.NET is a great fit

- Speed matters (fast reactions, real-time setpoint/decisions)
- Tight .NET integration
- Easy, menu-driven code creation with Model Builder

## When Python is a great fit

- Richer ML ecosystem and libraries
- Deep learning / neural networks
- Heavier, offline analysis and planning



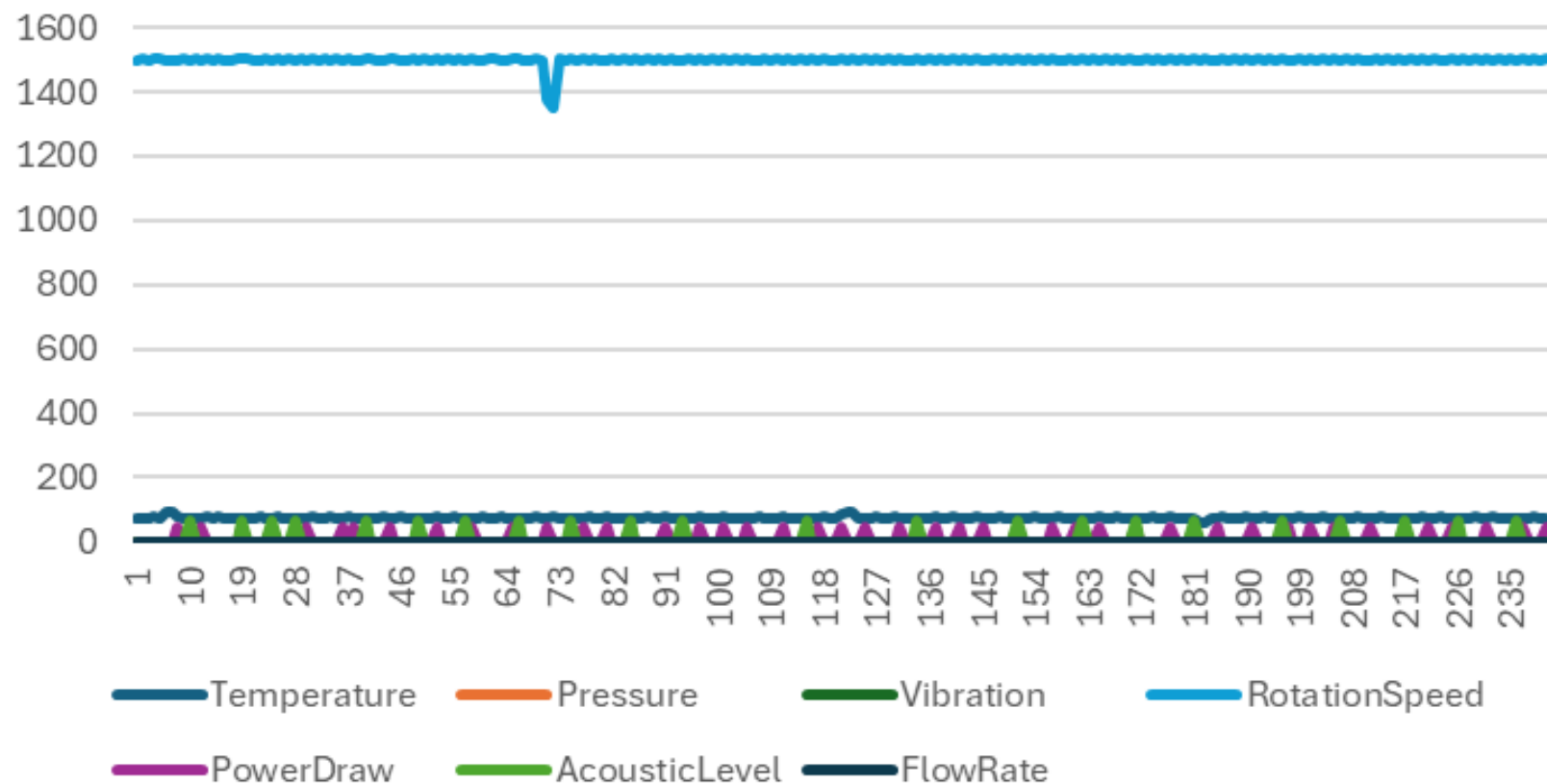
# Demo: ML inside FrameworkX



# Anomaly Detection

Machine Learning

## Anomaly Detection



Name	Value
AccousticLevel	76.7466956907482
FlowRate	26.4813852177961
IsAbnormal	Abnormal
PowerDraw	53.8901434565185
Pressure	12.4006607336845
RotationSpeed	1500.1589601594
Score	0.60468852519989
Temperature	99.8498622188511
Vibration	3.14479811491097

Name	Value
AccousticLevel	69.3046045778247
FlowRate	26.6561734396889
IsAbnormal	Normal
PowerDraw	47.4823470761861
Pressure	13.5059260954551
RotationSpeed	1498.67228179664
Score	0.339477300643921
Temperature	78.6996222053799
Vibration	3.23727443229141



# ML.NET Workflow

A repeatable 7-step pattern

1. Load data

3. Build a pipeline

5. Evaluate model

7. Use model with new data

2. Create input/output classes

4. Train model

6. Save model

# Why predictive maintenance?

Reactive vs preventive vs predictive

Strategy	Description	Pros	Cons
Reactive maintenance	Fix when it breaks	Low upfront cost	High downtime, unpredictable
Preventive maintenance	Fix on a fixed schedule	Structured planning	Can cause over- or under-maintenance
Predictive maintenance	Fix based on actual condition & predictions	Optimized cost, minimal downtime	Requires data, sensors, analytics

## A practical way to start:

- 1 Collect healthy data (normal operation only)
- 2 Train an anomaly detection model (learn “normal”)
- 3 Monitor live machine data (current readings)
- 4 Detect & notify (normal vs anomaly → alarm)
- 5 Act on the alert (assess severity; schedule maintenance)

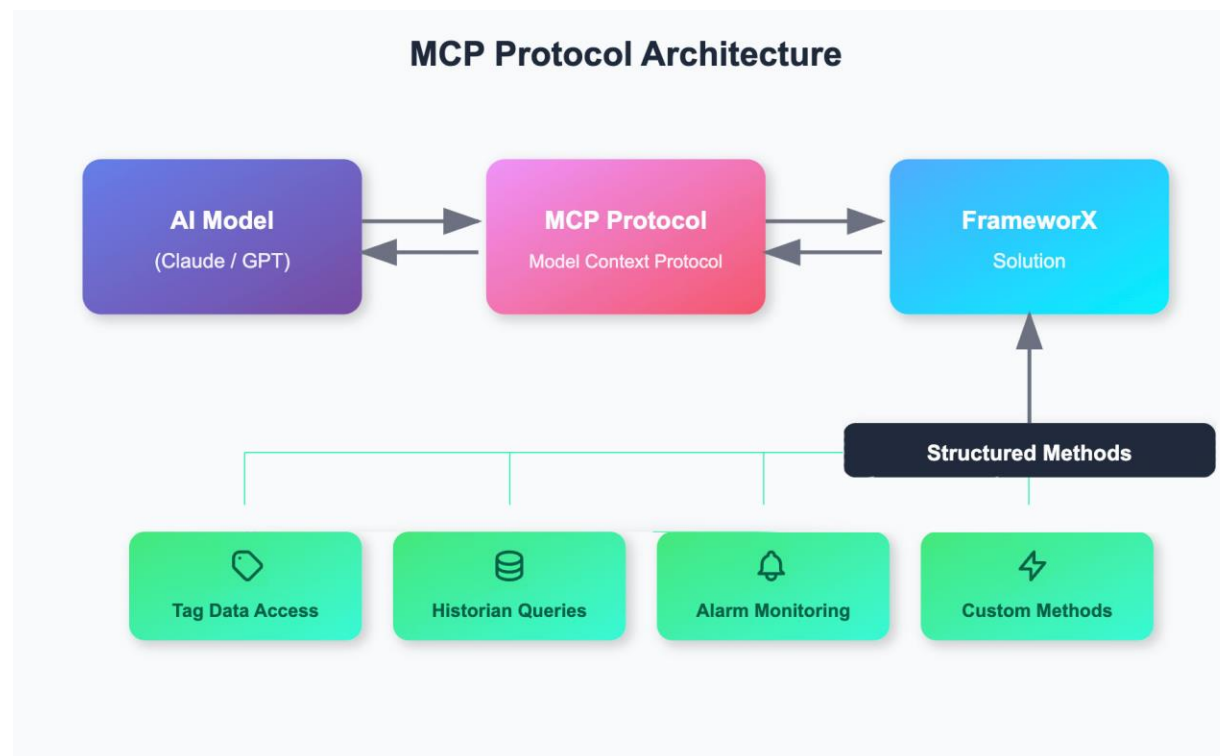




# MCP (Model Context Protocol) — quick look

Connecting FrameworkX to external AI services

- FrameworkX can connect to external AI services / cloud models via MCP
- This is most useful when you want natural-language access to operational context
- Example: query historian + ML outputs (“Which motors look likely to fail next month?”)
- We’ll keep this grounded: operational data first, then AI on top







Wrap-Up + Q&A



**Start small:** pick one asset/process and one clear question

**Anomaly detection** is often the best first step (no labeled data required)

**Expand gradually:** more signals, tuning, thresholds, forecasting/regression,  
external models

**Re-train:** ML improves through feedback and re-training

***The hardest part isn't the code — it's the data (quality,  
consistency, context)***



## Key Takeaway

One thing to remember

***Machine learning works best  
when it is part of the system —  
not a separate experiment.***

Start small • Re-train • Let the platform do the heavy lifting

