



EVALUATION OF AIRCRAFT ENGINE DIAGNOSTIC METHODS THROUGH PRODIMES

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Introduction

- ❑ A fair and common way of comparing the performance of gas path diagnostic methods had to be established
- ❑ A benchmark diagnostic problem named Propulsion Diagnostic Method Evaluation Strategy was created and made publicly available by NASA for this purpose
- ❑ In 2013, the performance results of 4 diagnostic methods were made publicly available

- ❑ This work presents
 - The performance results of 6 diagnostic methods that were developed at LTT/NTUA
 - A comparison of diagnostic method performance results through common *blind test cases*
 - Discussion about the evaluation results and the ProDiMES software



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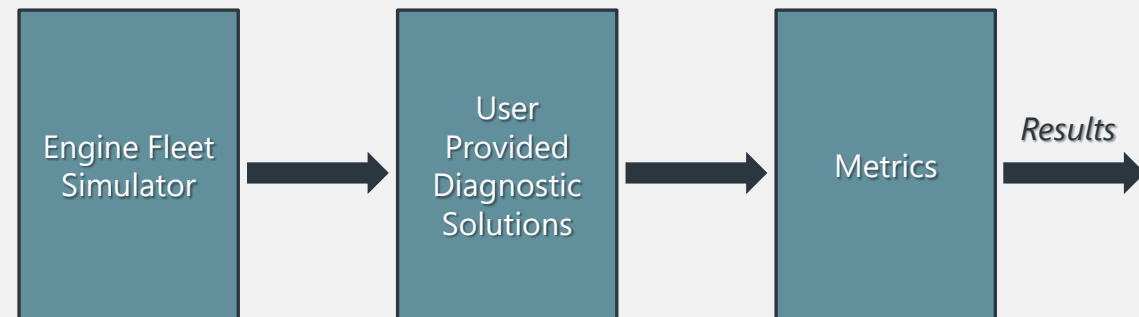
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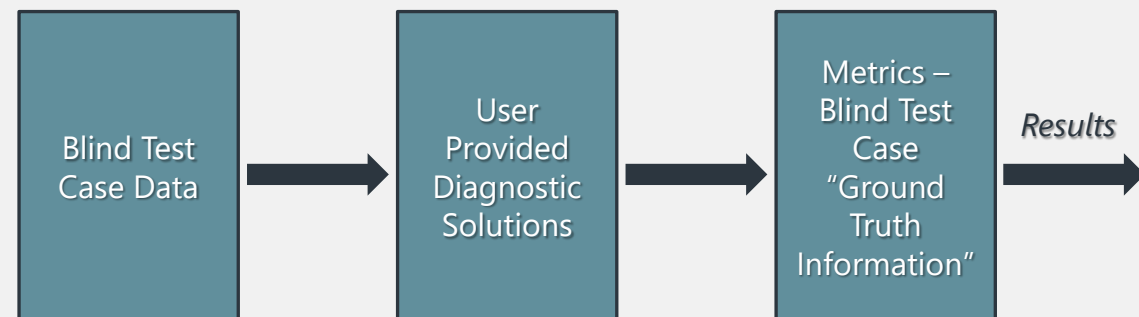
ProDiMES

- ❑ Offers a benchmark aircraft engine diagnostic problem
- ❑ Enables the side-by-side comparison of candidate diagnostic algorithms
- ❑ Two-fold functionality

Independent development and evaluation of diagnostic methods



Comparison of diagnostic methods through a blind-test-case data set



ProDiMES

Generic turbofan engine

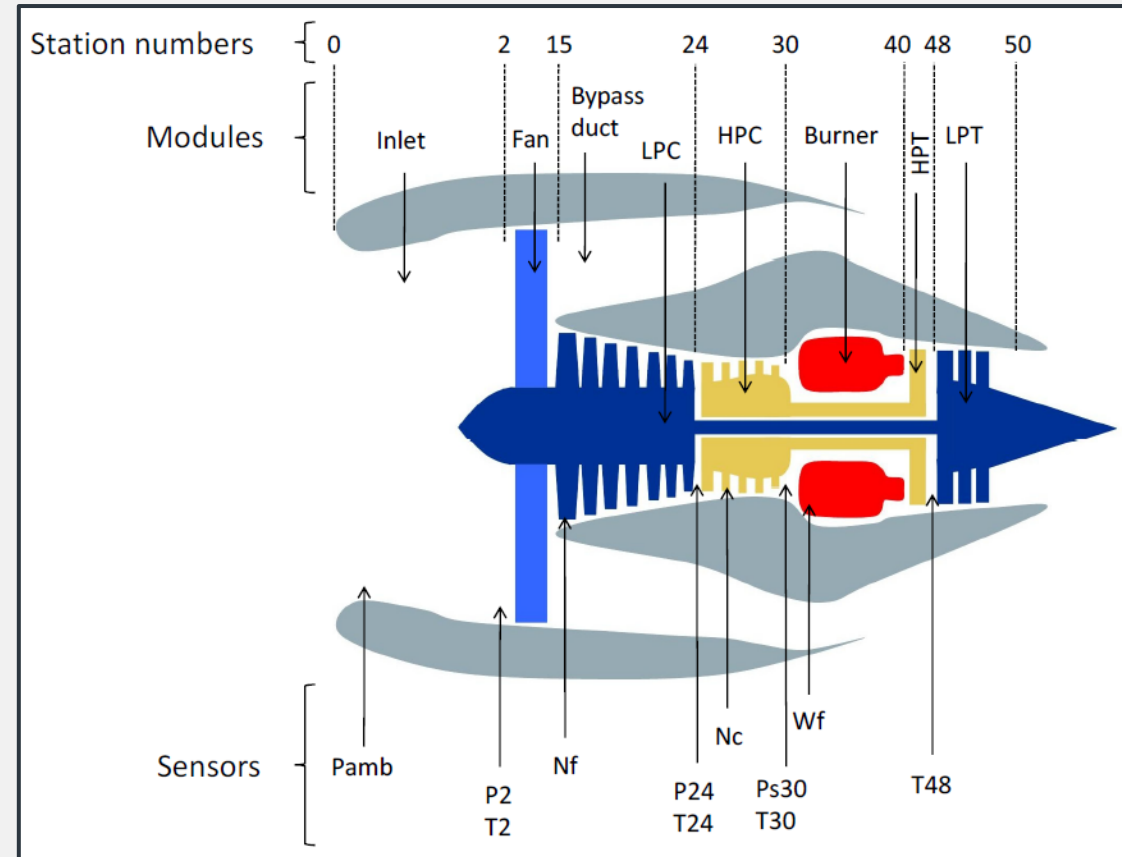
- High Bypass
- Two Spools

19 fault scenarios (abrupt/rapid)

- No fault
- 5 component faults
- 2 actuator faults
- 11 sensor faults

Snapshot Data

- Takeoff
- Cruise

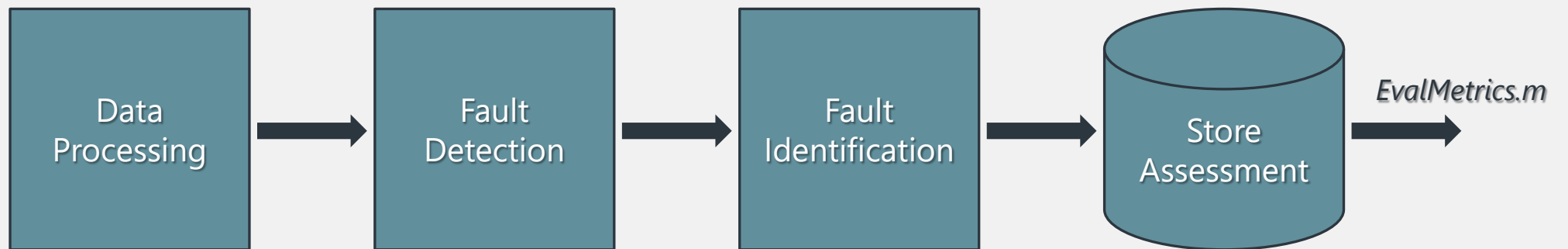


Diagnostic Framework

A diagnostic framework was developed in order to

1. evaluate all methods in an equal manner
2. to effectively control the false alarm rate

Diagnostic Framework Steps





Diagnostic Framework Data Processing

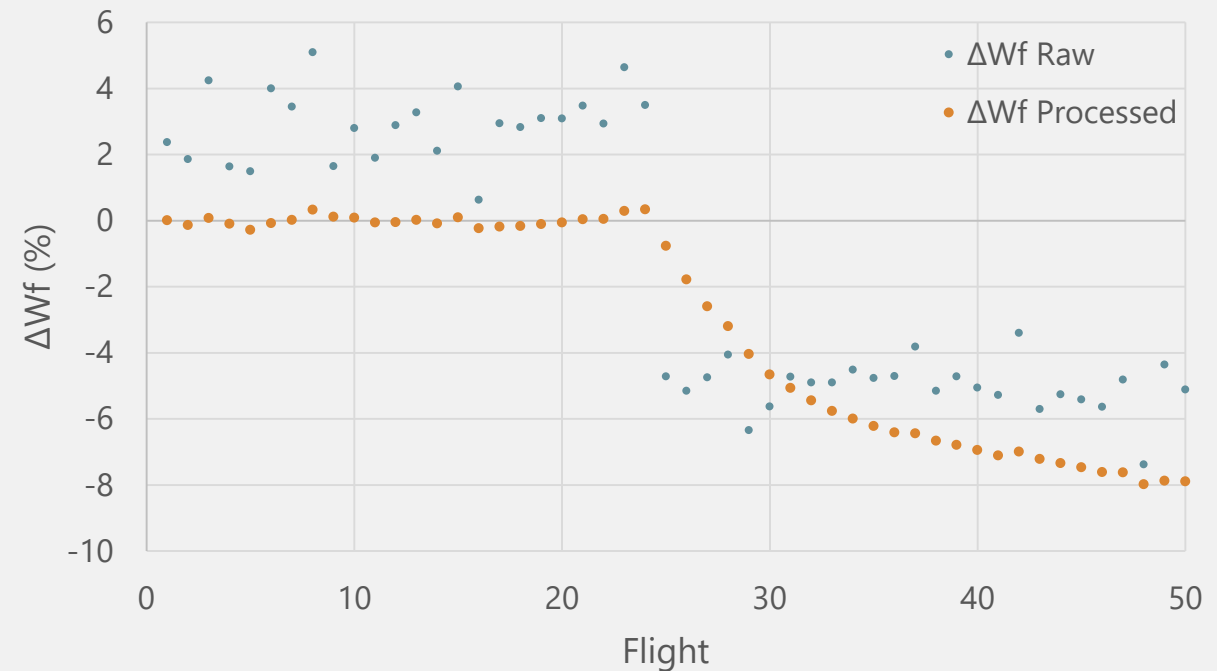
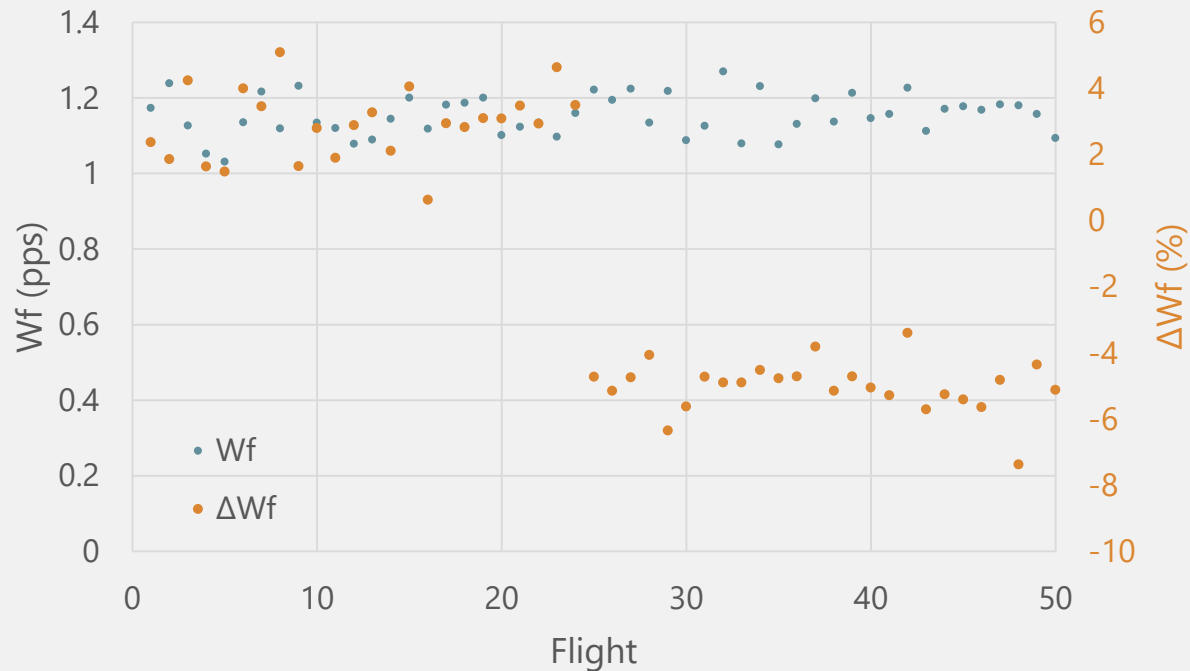
1. Calculation of “Measurement Deltas”

$$\Delta Y = \frac{Y - Y^0}{Y^0} * 100$$

3. Smoothing (EMA)

4. Reconstitution of measurements

2. Deterioration Removal



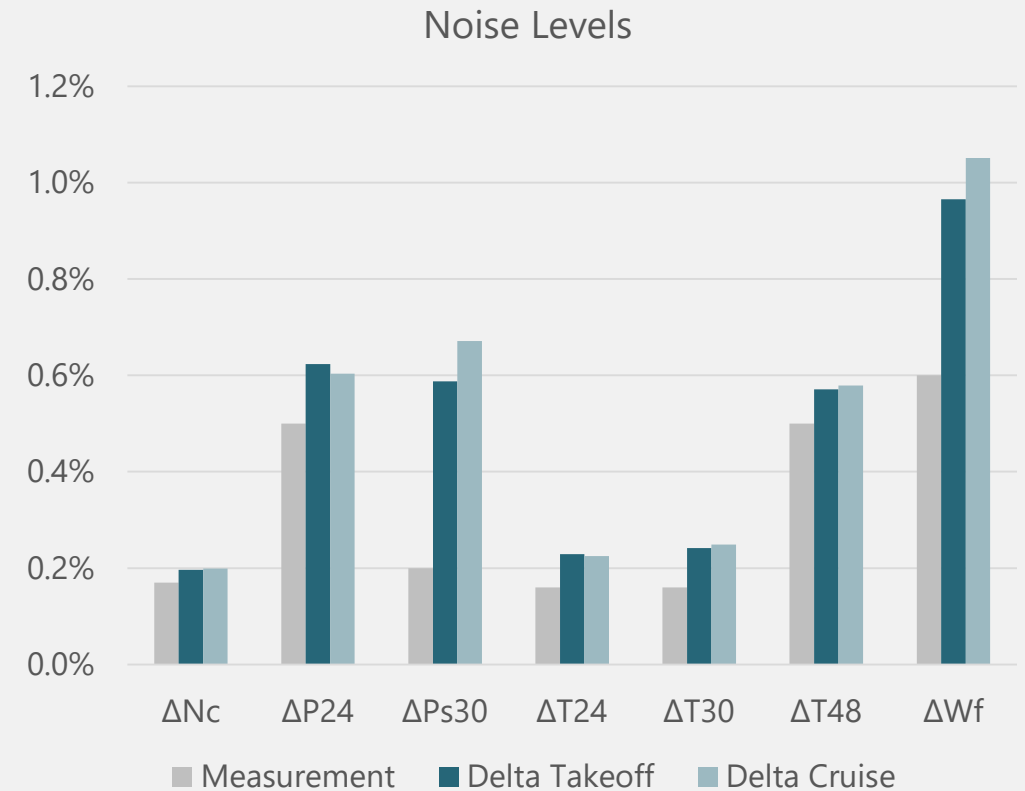


Diagnostic Framework Fault Detection

- ❑ Monitoring of “measurement deltas”
- ❑ Cumulative Sum (CUSUM)
- ❑ Derivation of the measurement deltas’ variance

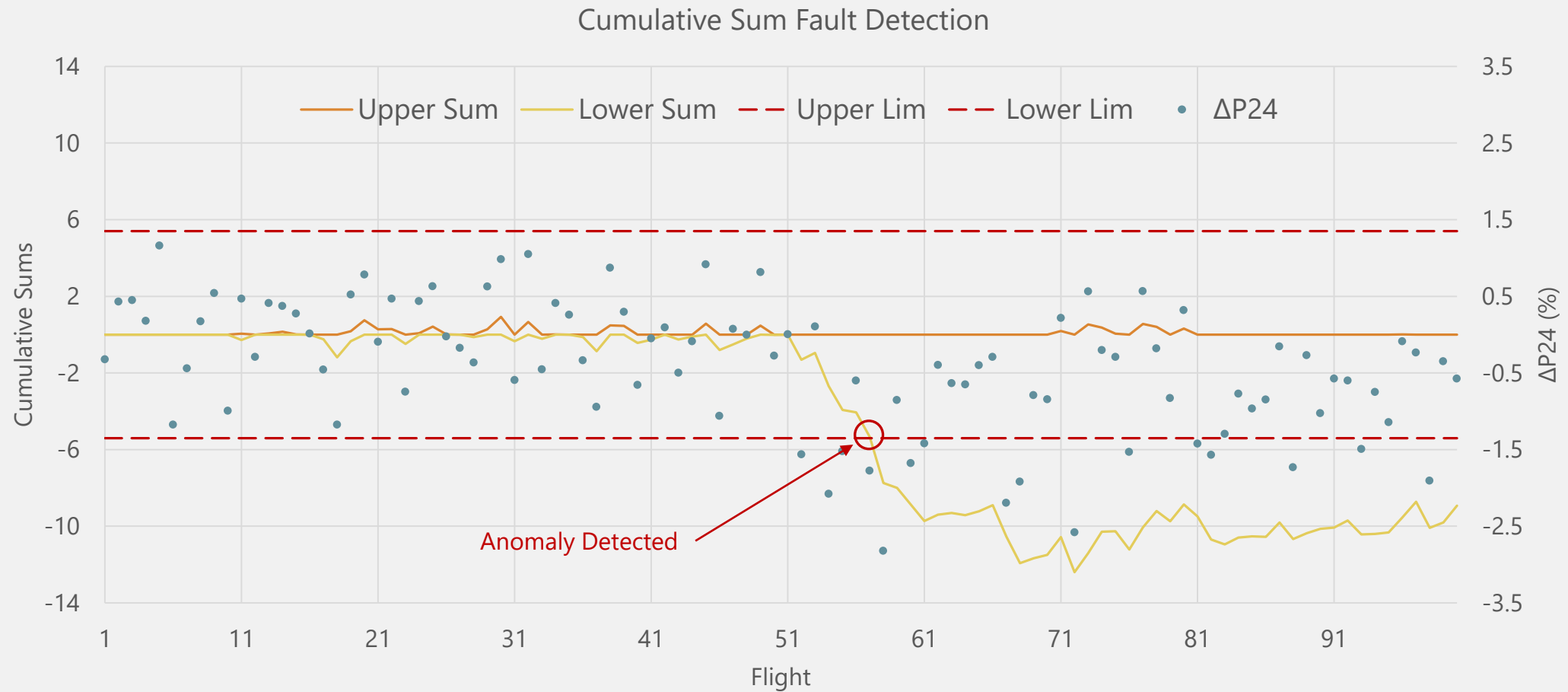
Error Propagation Law

$$C_Y = H_x * C_x * H'_x$$



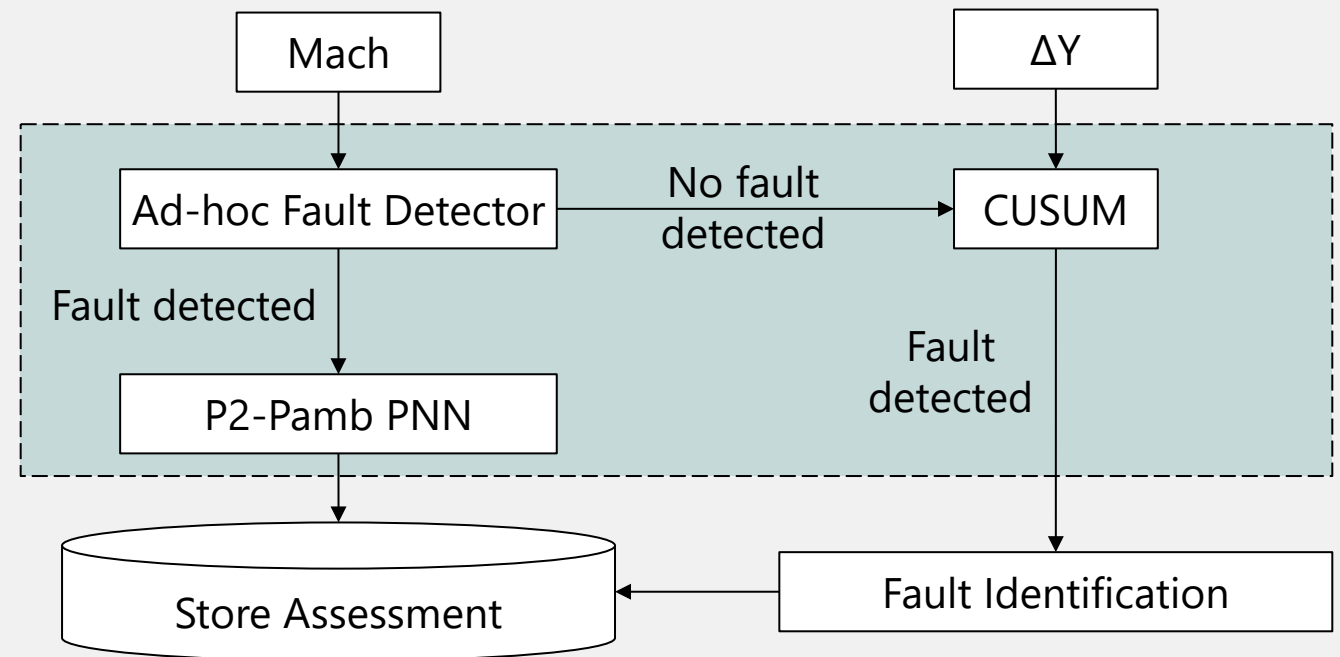


Diagnostic Framework Fault Detection



Diagnostic Framework P2 & Pamb Fault Detection

- ❑ Ad-hoc Detector
- ❑ Estimated Mach number
- ❑ Dedicated PNN





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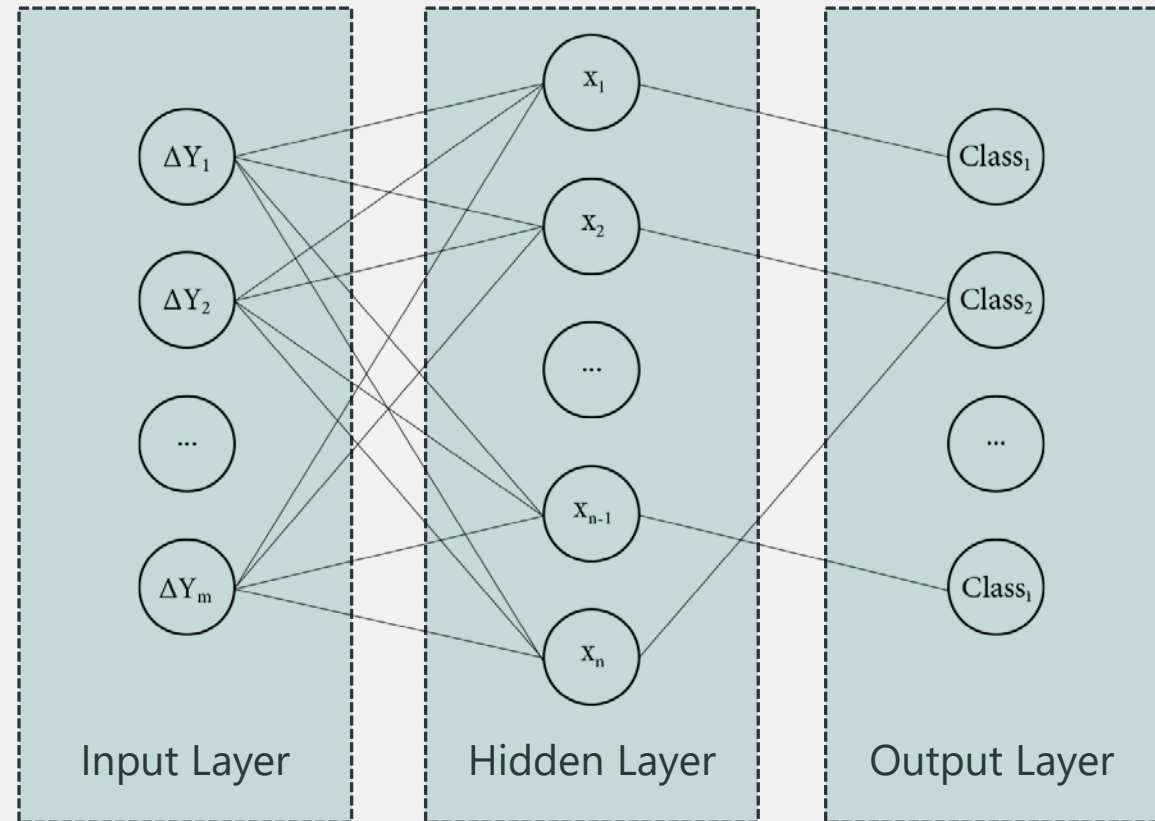
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Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN)

- ❑ Multi-layer feed-forward network
- ❑ Estimates the probability of the input pattern to belong to each of the output classes



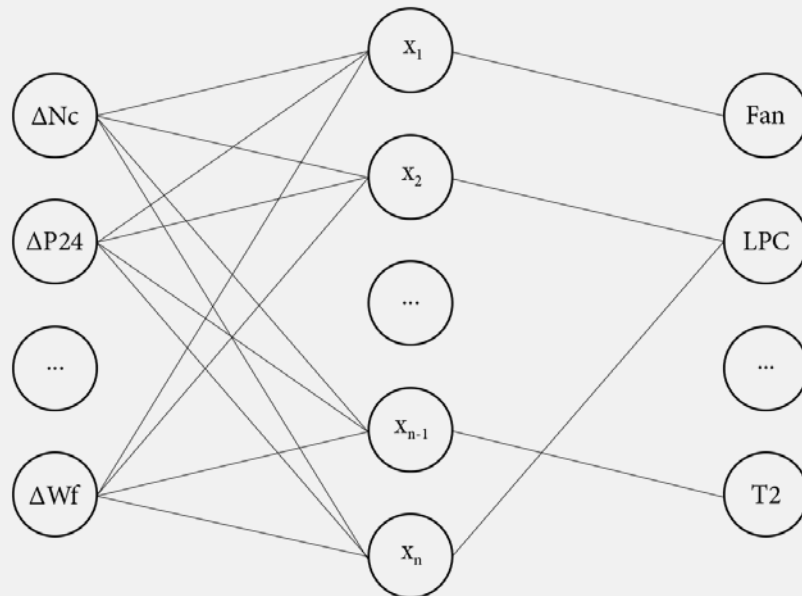
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Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN)

1ST PNN

All fault scenarios (16 Output Classes)

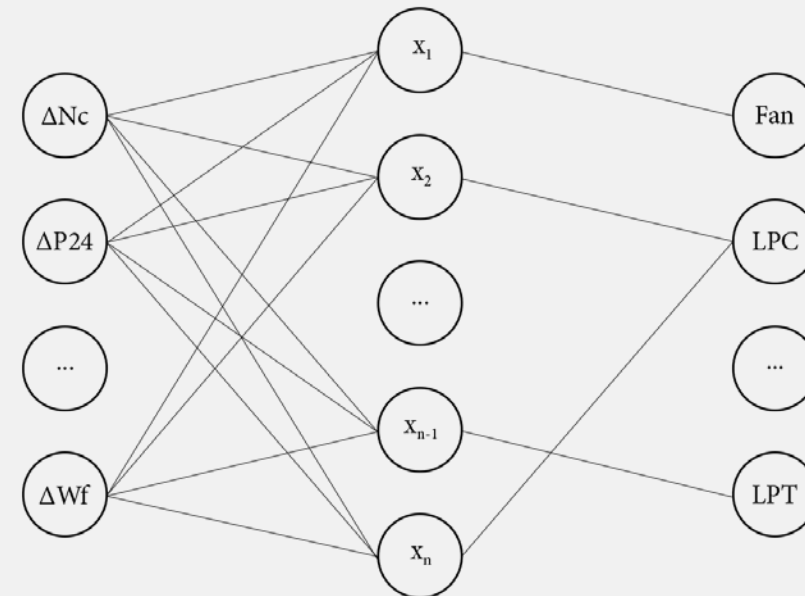
Except P2 and Pamb sensor faults



2ND PNN

Only component faults (5 Output Classes)

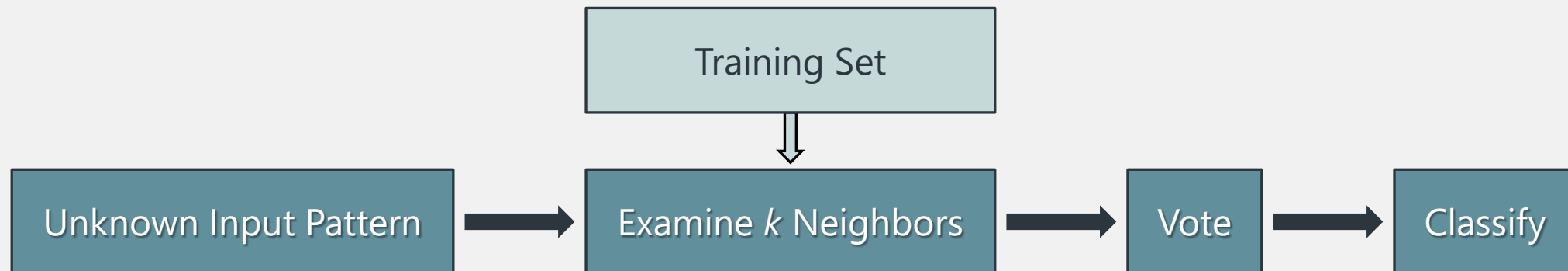
Enable the comparison with methods that do not have sensor or actuator fault identification capabilities





k-Nearest Neighbor (kNN)

- ❑ Non parametric classification technique
- ❑ Classifies the input pattern by assigning it the label most frequently represented among the k nearest training patterns
- ❑ 2 classifiers trained (same output classes as the PNNs)
- ❑ Same training patterns as the PNNs





Optimization

- ❑ Estimation of engine health parameters from a given set of measurements
- ❑ Optimization problem
 - 10 unknown health parameters
 - 7 equations

❑ Objective Function
$$OF_Y = \sum_1^7 \left(a_i * \frac{Y_i^{calc} - Y_i^{given}}{Y_i^{given}} \right)^2$$

- ❑ Optimization Constraints

Turbomachinery	Bound	Linear
Compressor	$-0.1 \leq SE \leq 0$	$SW - SE \leq 0$
	$-0.1 \leq SW \leq 0$	$2SE - SW \leq 0$
Turbine	$-0.1 \leq SE \leq 0$	$SE + SW \leq 0$
	$0 \leq SW \leq 0.1$	$-0.5SE - SW \leq 0$

* Mathioudakis, K., Kamboukos, Ph., Stamatis, A. "Turbofan Performance Deterioration Tracking Using Nonlinear Models and Optimization Techniques." Journal of Power and Energy Vol. 218, No. 8 (2004): pp.609-618. DOI 10.1115/1.1512678



Combinatorial

- ❑ Appropriate combinations of measurements and health parameters are fed in the adaptive engine model
- ❑ Statically processing of the health parameter results

- ❑ Calculation of Diagnostic Index

$$DI = \sqrt{\left(\frac{|\overline{SE}_i|}{|\sigma_{|\overline{SE}_i|}|}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{|\overline{SW}_i|}{|\sigma_{|\overline{SW}_i|}|}\right)^2}$$

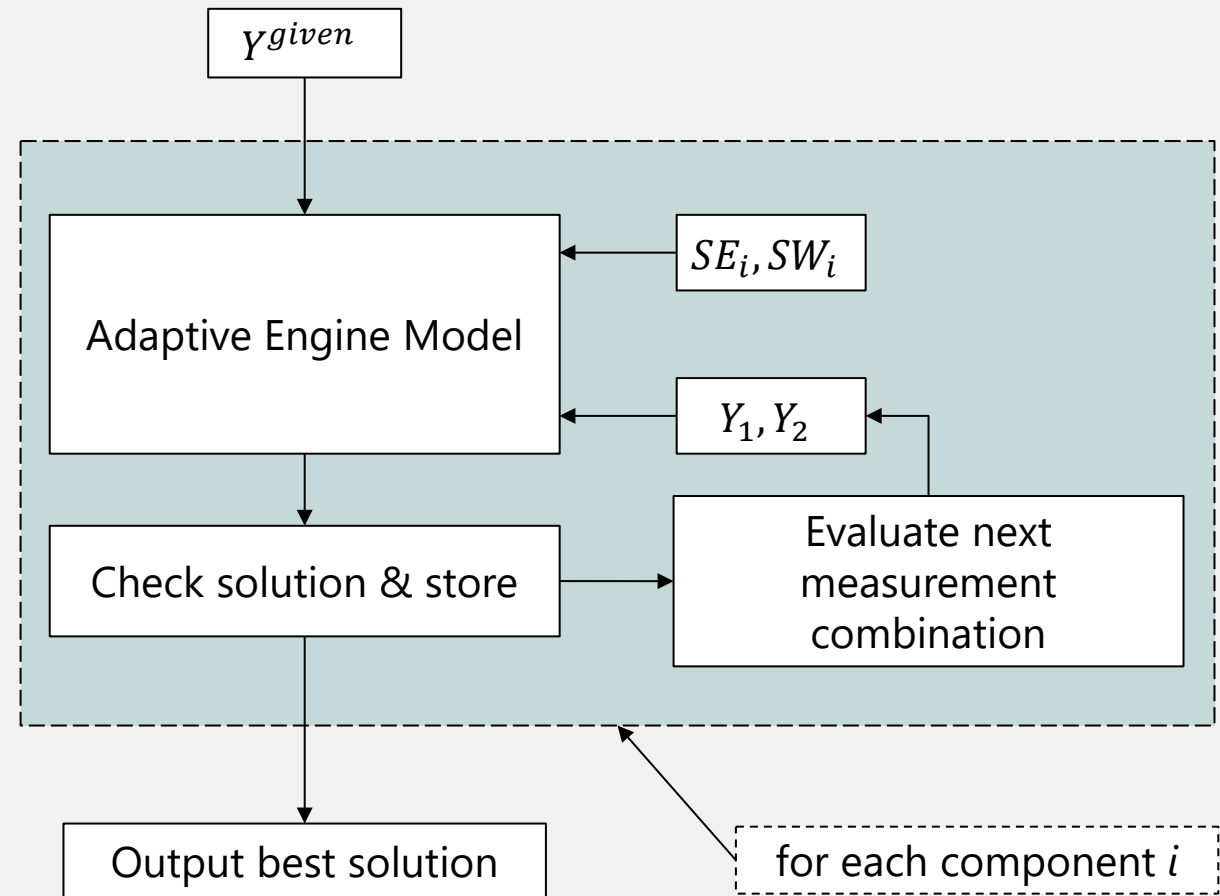
- ❑ Maximum DI points to the faulty component

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Adaptive 2×2

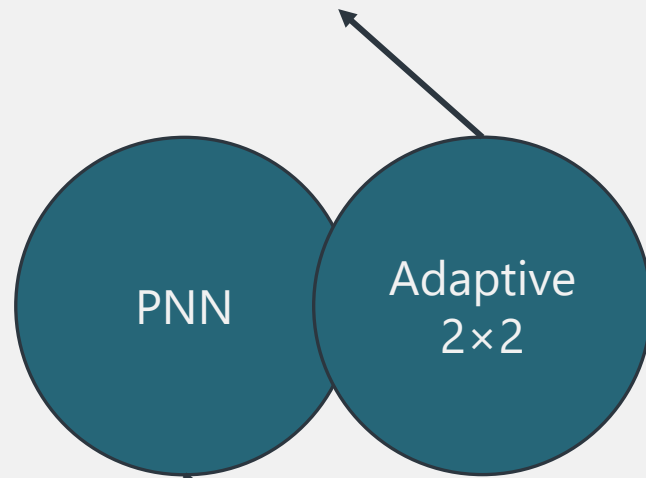
- ❑ Only one component is faulty
- ❑ Adaptive engine model
- ❑ A determined system (2×2) is solved
- ❑ Store best solution (RMSE)
- ❑ Provides an **estimation of the fault's magnitude**



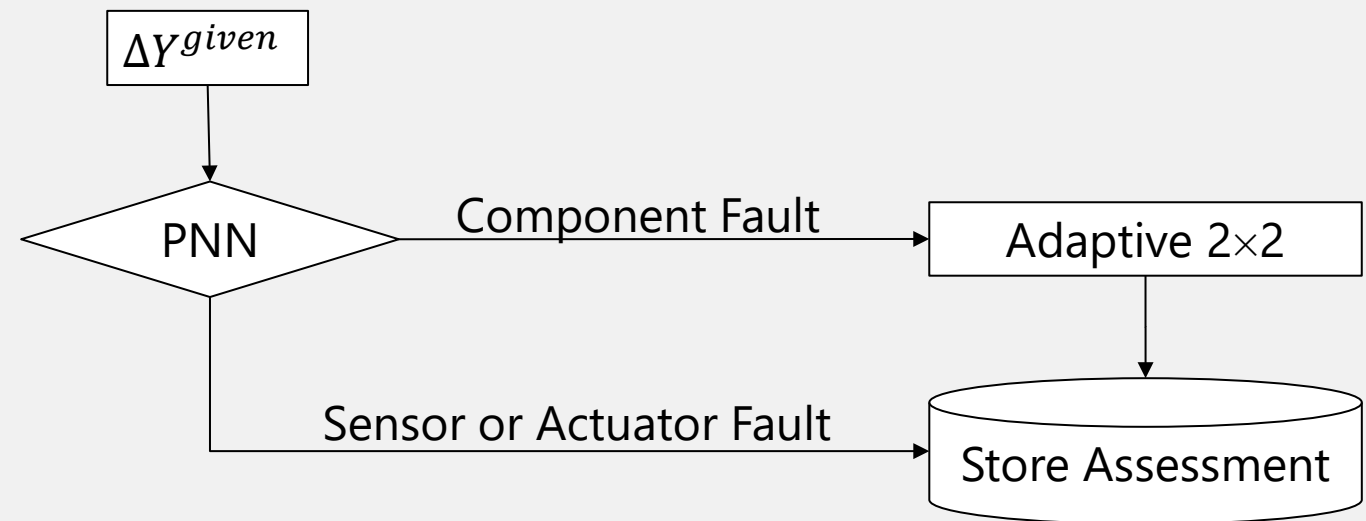
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PNN & Adaptive 2x2

Provide an **estimation of the component fault magnitude**



Ability to identify actuator/sensor faults



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Independent Test Cases

- Produced using ProDiMES
- Fair comparison
- 2 categories of test cases
- Evaluate performance in component faults only

Category	Faults	Engines	Flights	Total Test Cases	Diagnostic Methods
1	Component Only	600	50	30000	PNN, kNN, Optimization, Combinatorial, Adaptive2×2
2	All	9480	50	474000	PNN, kNN, PNN+Adaptive2×2



Independent Test Cases Component Faults

CCR

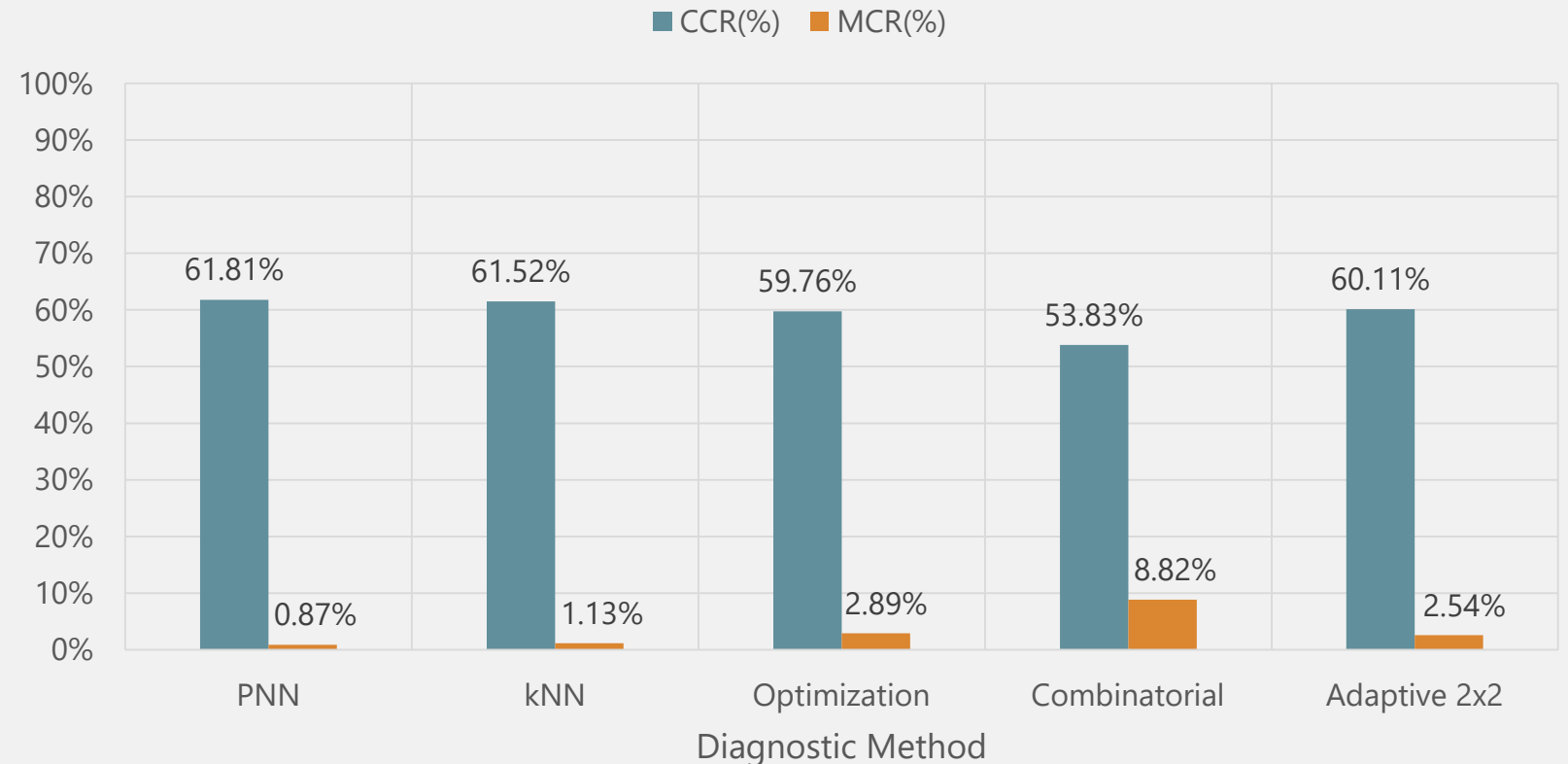
Correct classifications of a fault

Cases of that fault

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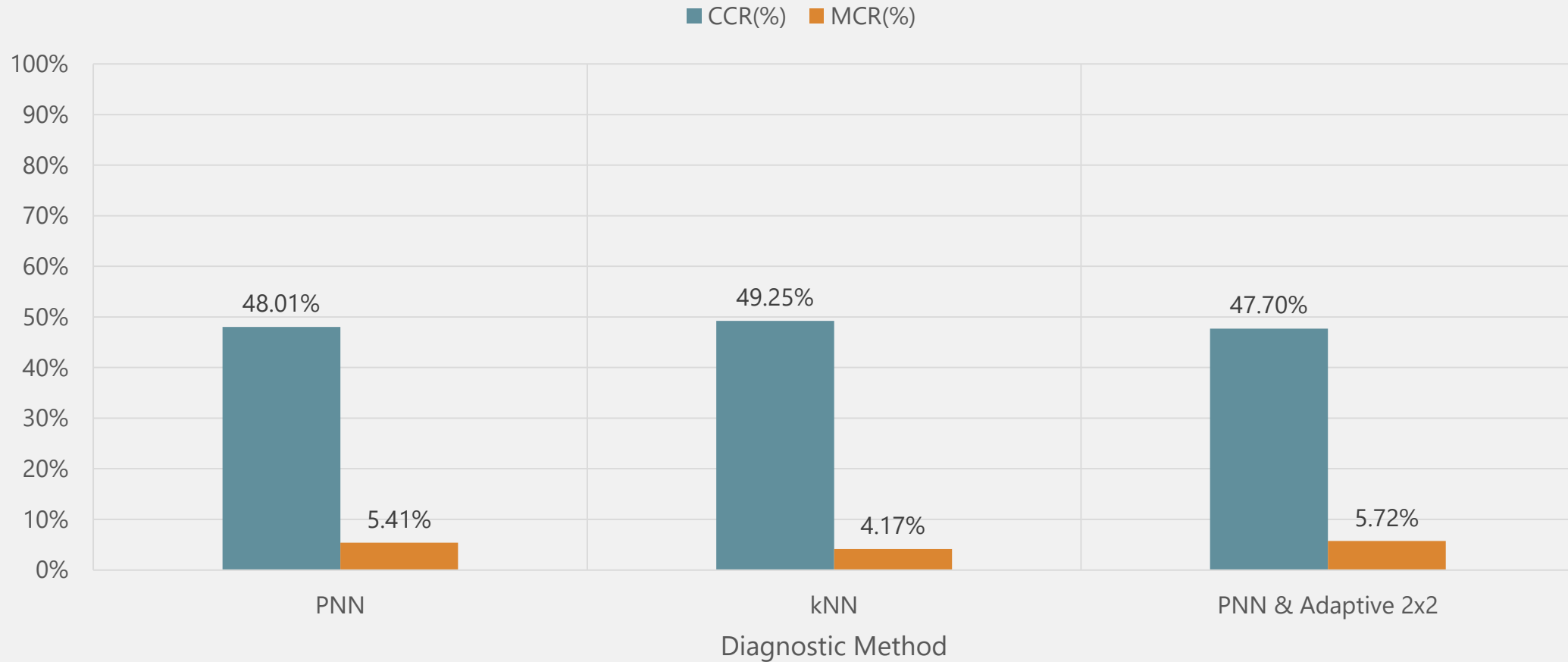
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LTT/NTUA

- Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN^{NTUA})
- k-Nearest Neighbor (kNN)
- PNN & Adaptive 2×2

PUBLIC BENCHMARKING RESULTS

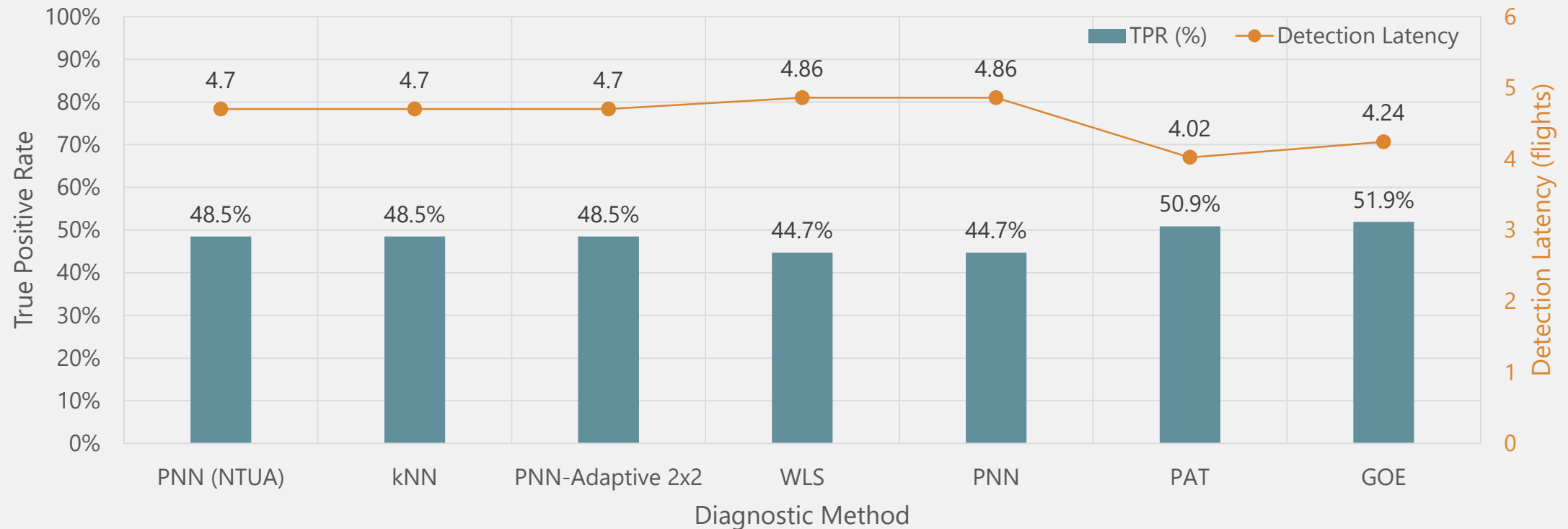
- Weighted Least Squares (WLS)
- Probabilistic Neural Network (PNN)
- Performance Analysis Tool (PAT)
- Generalized Observer/Estimator (GOE)



Blind Test Cases True Positive Rate – Detection Latency

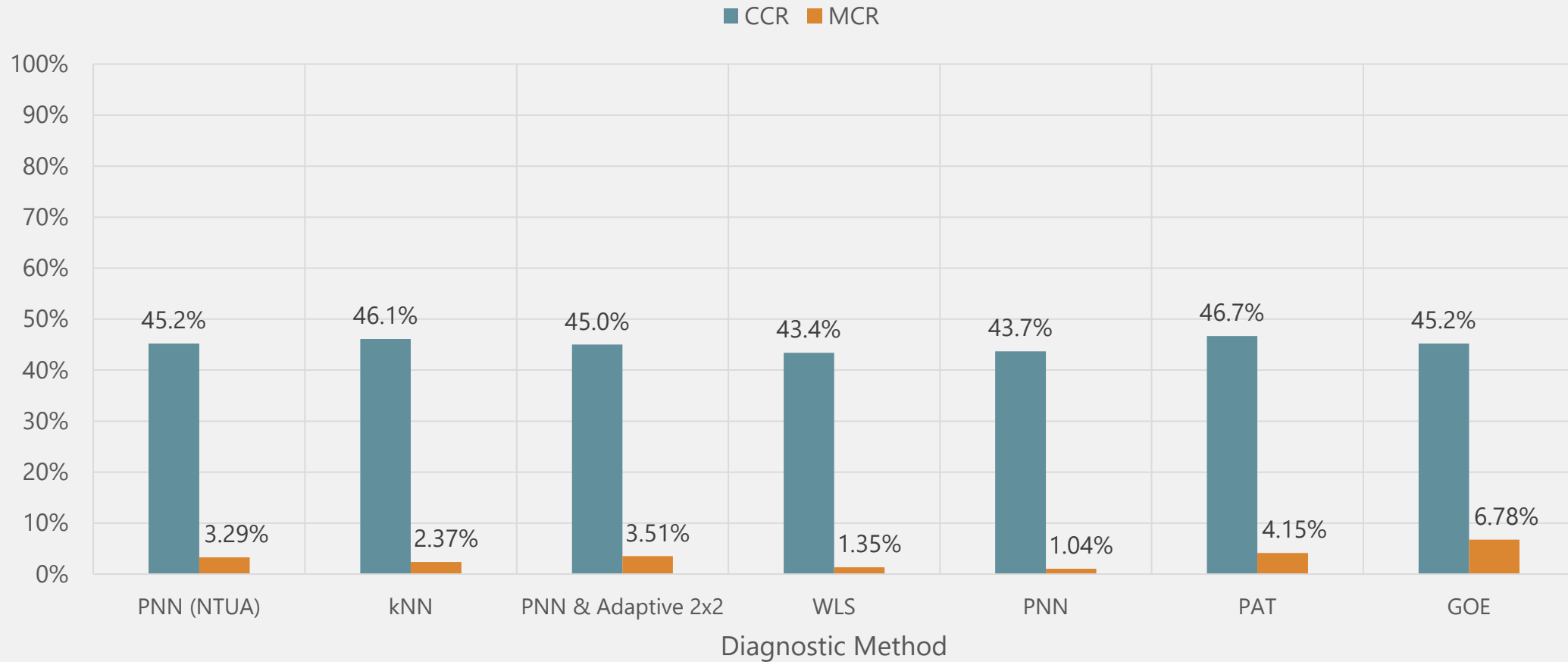
TPR: Correct fault detections / Fault Cases

Detection Latency: Average number of flights before first true positive detection





Blind Test Cases Correct Classification Rate – Mis Classification Rate

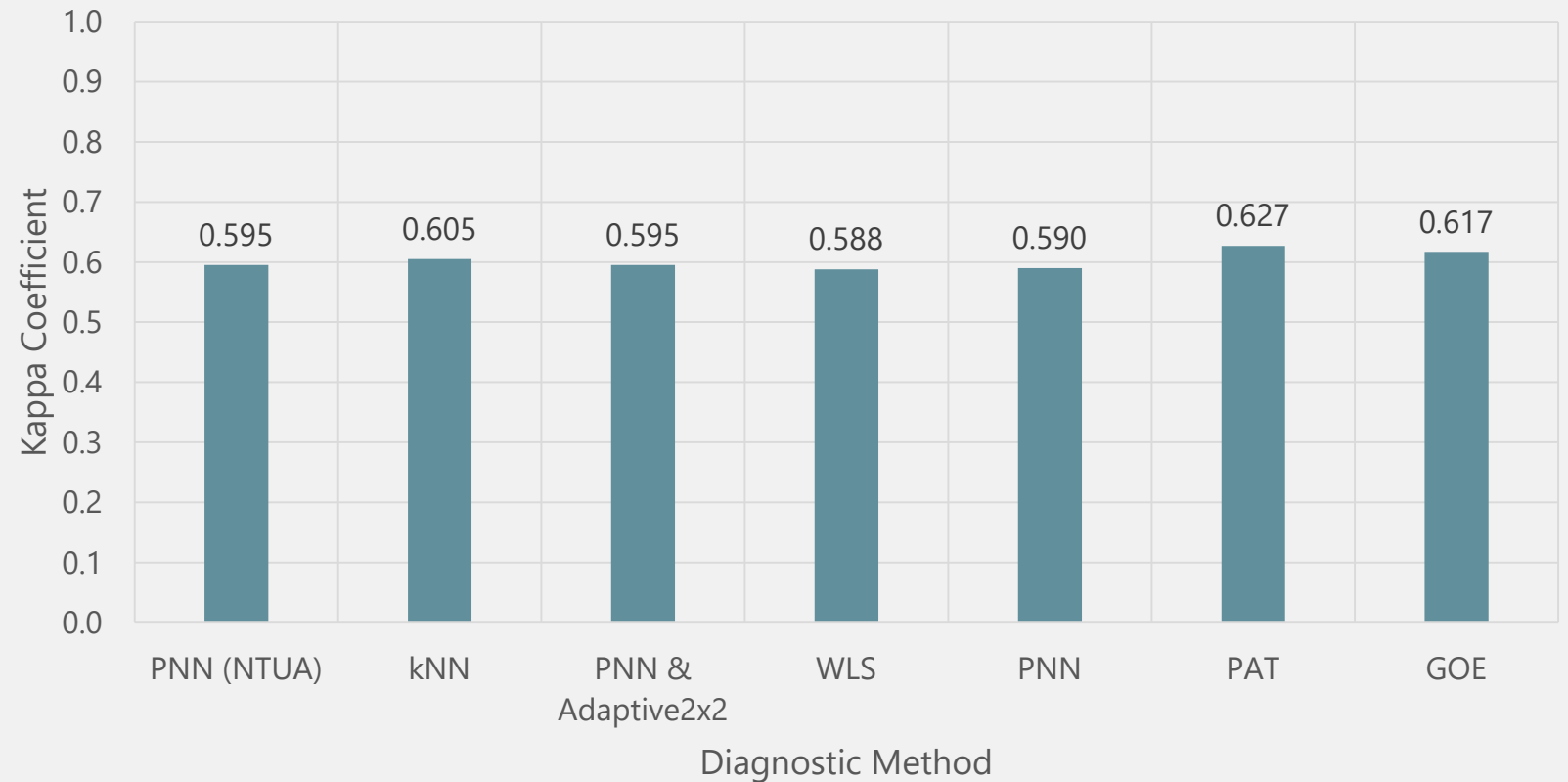




Blind Test Cases Kappa Coefficient

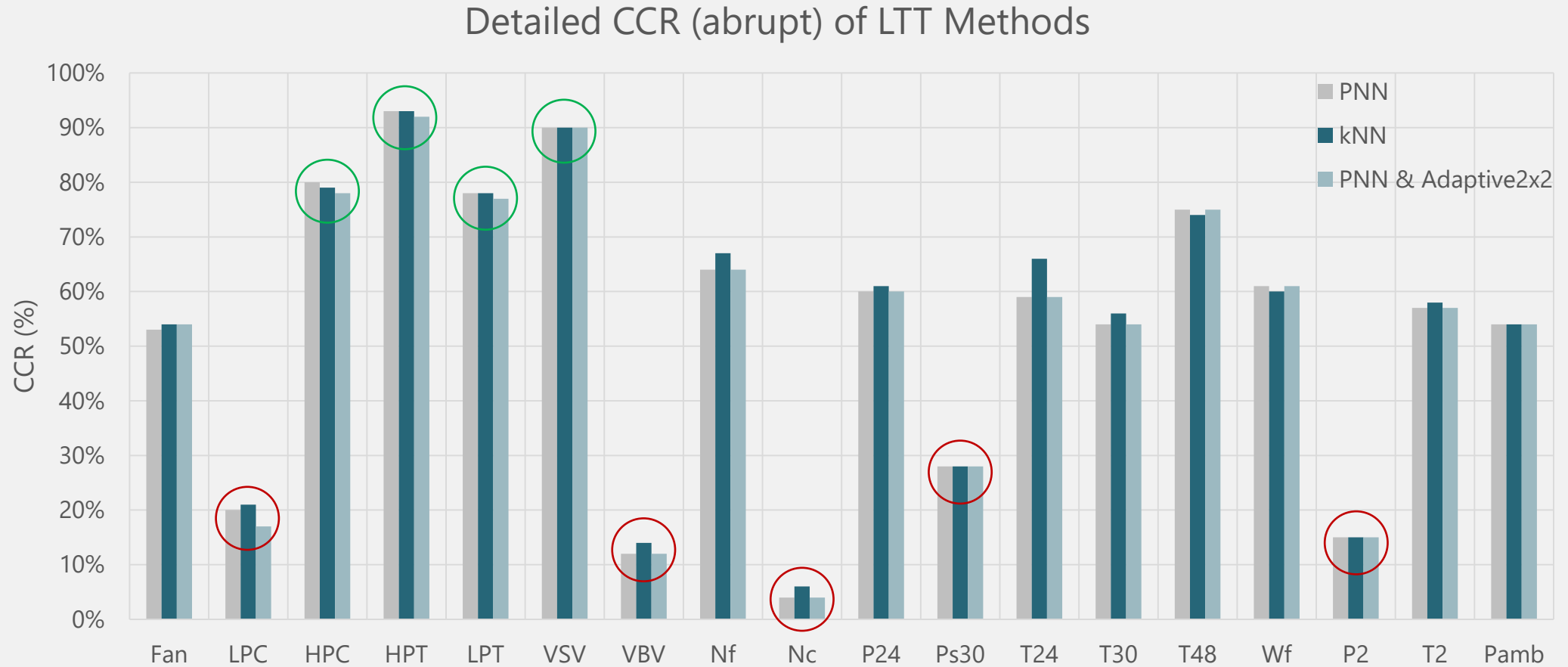
Kappa Coefficient

Measure of an algorithm's ability to consistently provide correct classifications





Blind Test Cases Detailed CCR (Abrupt Faults)

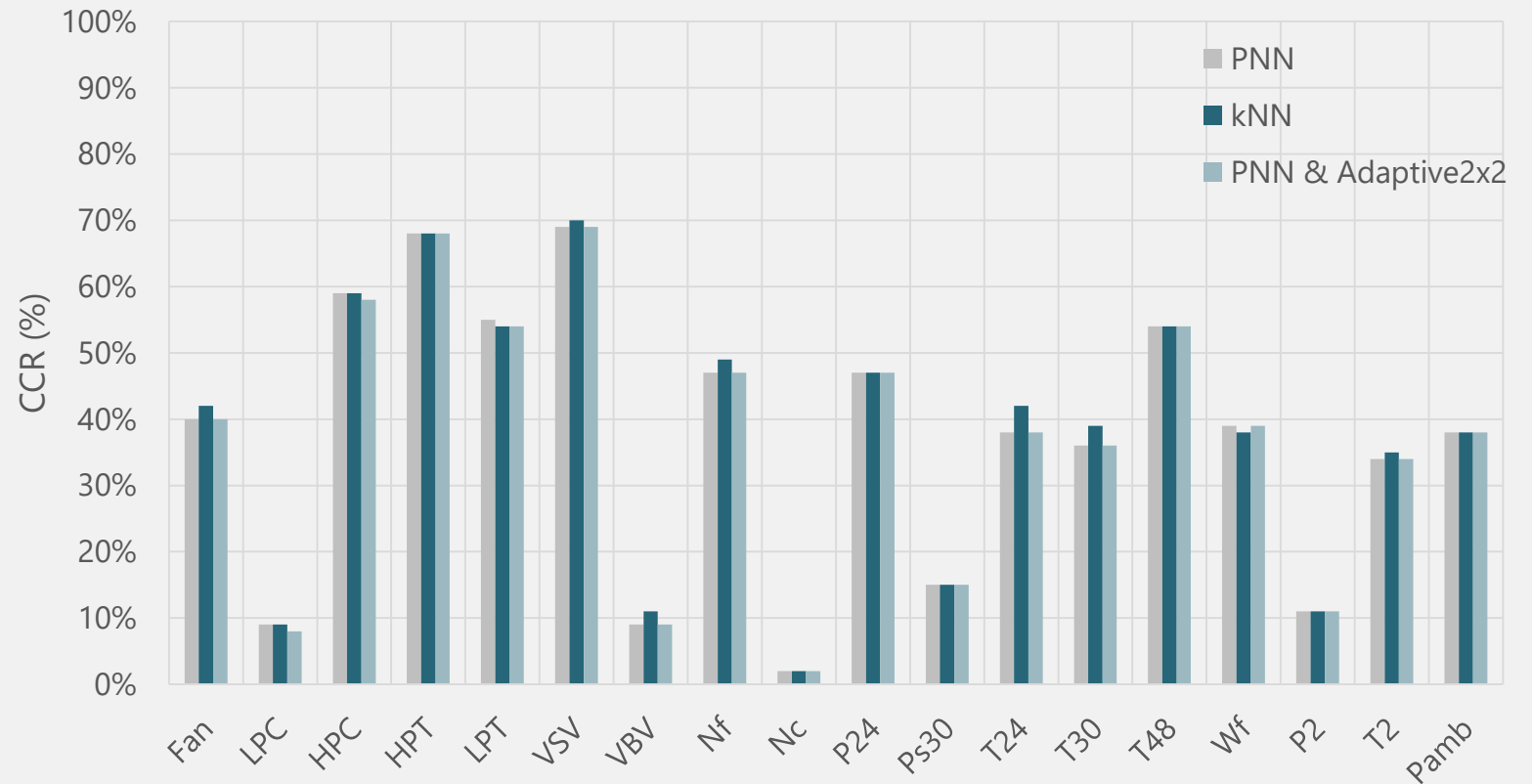




Blind Test Cases Detailed CCR (Rapid Faults)

- Similar qualitative results to abrupt faults.
- Uniform decrease due to increased detection latency.

Detailed CCR (rapid) of LTT Methods





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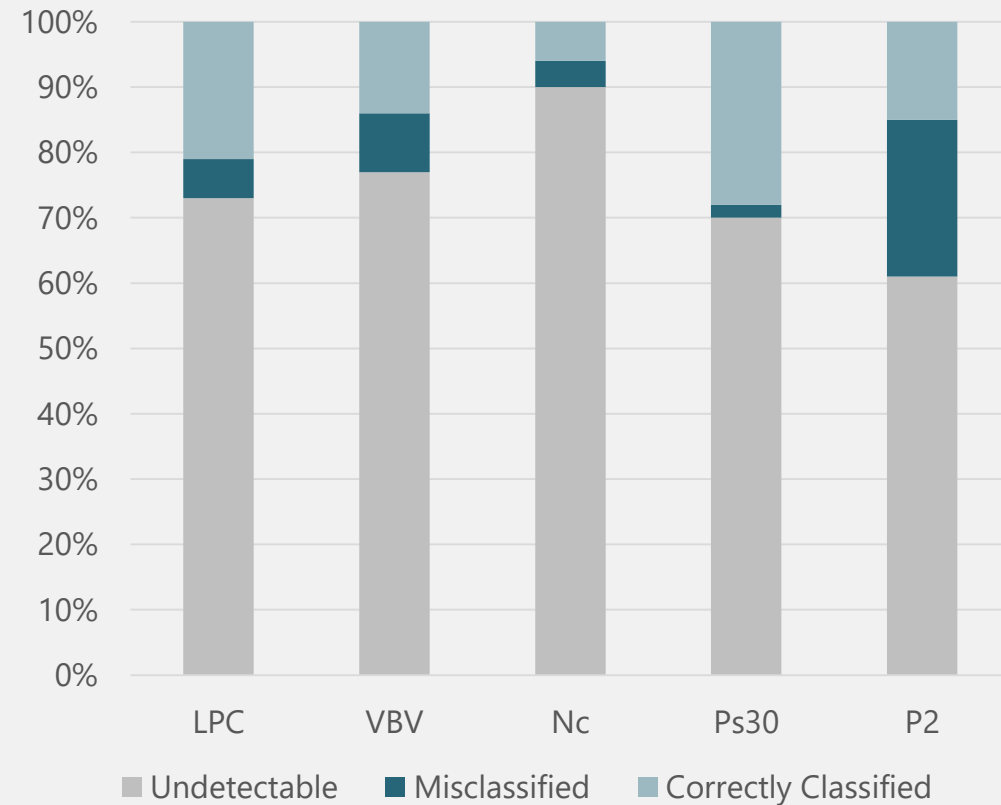
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❑ Challenging Fault Scenarios

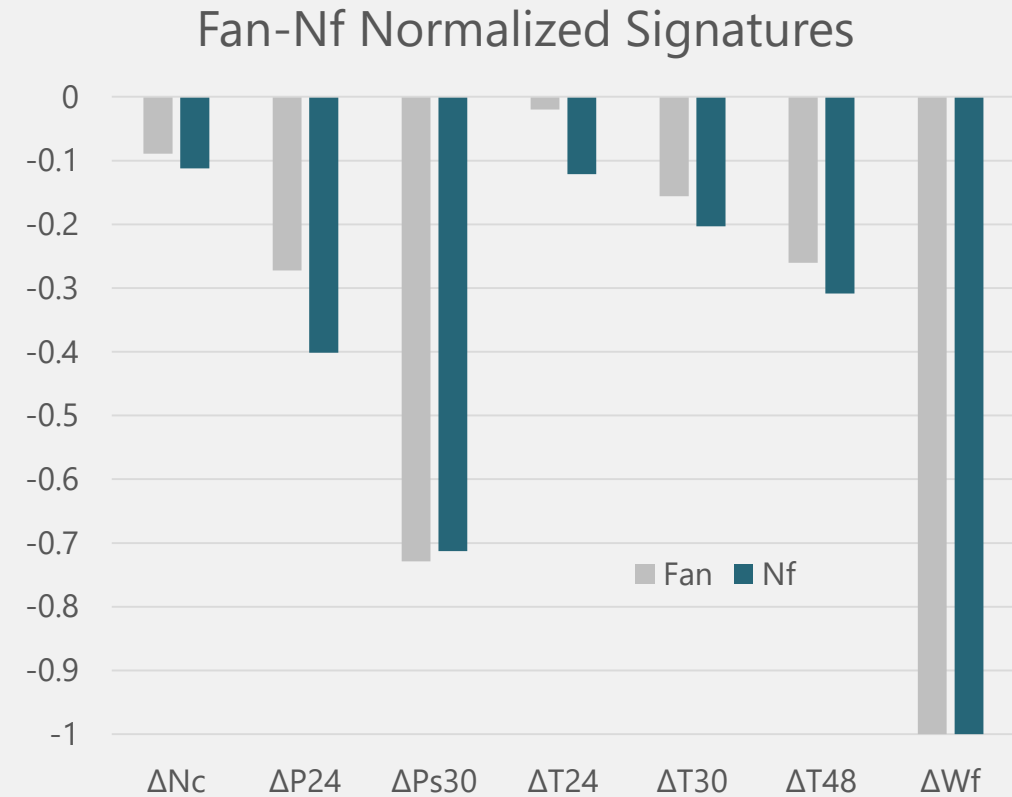
- LPC component fault
- VBV actuator fault
- Nc sensor fault
- Ps30 sensor fault
- P2 sensor fault





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- **Increased misclassifications**
 - Nf sensor faults (positive bias)
 - Fan component faults





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☐ **Increased misclassifications**

Nf sensor faults (positive bias)

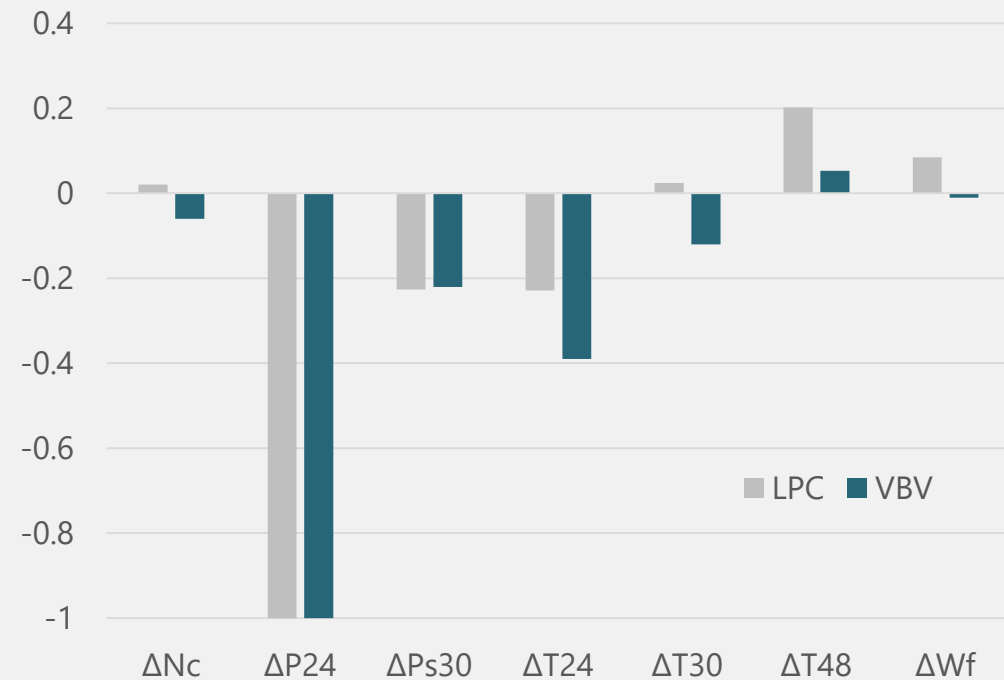
Fan component faults

☐ **Increased misclassifications**

LPC component faults

VBV actuator faults

LPC-VBV Normalized Signatures





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- Challenging diagnostic problem
 - *18 fault cases – 7 measurements*
 - *High noise levels*
- Fault detection performance has to be increased to increase classification performance
- Ad-hoc detector significantly improved *P2* and *Pamb* fault classifications
- Most Challenging Faults
 - *LPC – VBV – Nc – Ps30 – P2*
- Most Detectable Faults
 - *HPC – HPT – LPT – VSV*
- Significant Signature Correlation
 - *Fan - Nf*
 - *LPC - VBV*



Conclusions

➤ Independent Test Cases

- Equivalent performance – Except the Combinatorial
- Slight advantage of *kNN*
- *PNN & Adaptive2×2* performs nearly as good as the *PNN*
BUT it *provides an estimation of the component's fault magnitude*

➤ Blind Test Cases

- PAT and GOE methods have a slightly better performing detection algorithm
- All NTUA methods have *equivalent or higher CCR* to PAT and GOE and *half the misclassifications*



Thank you for your attention!