

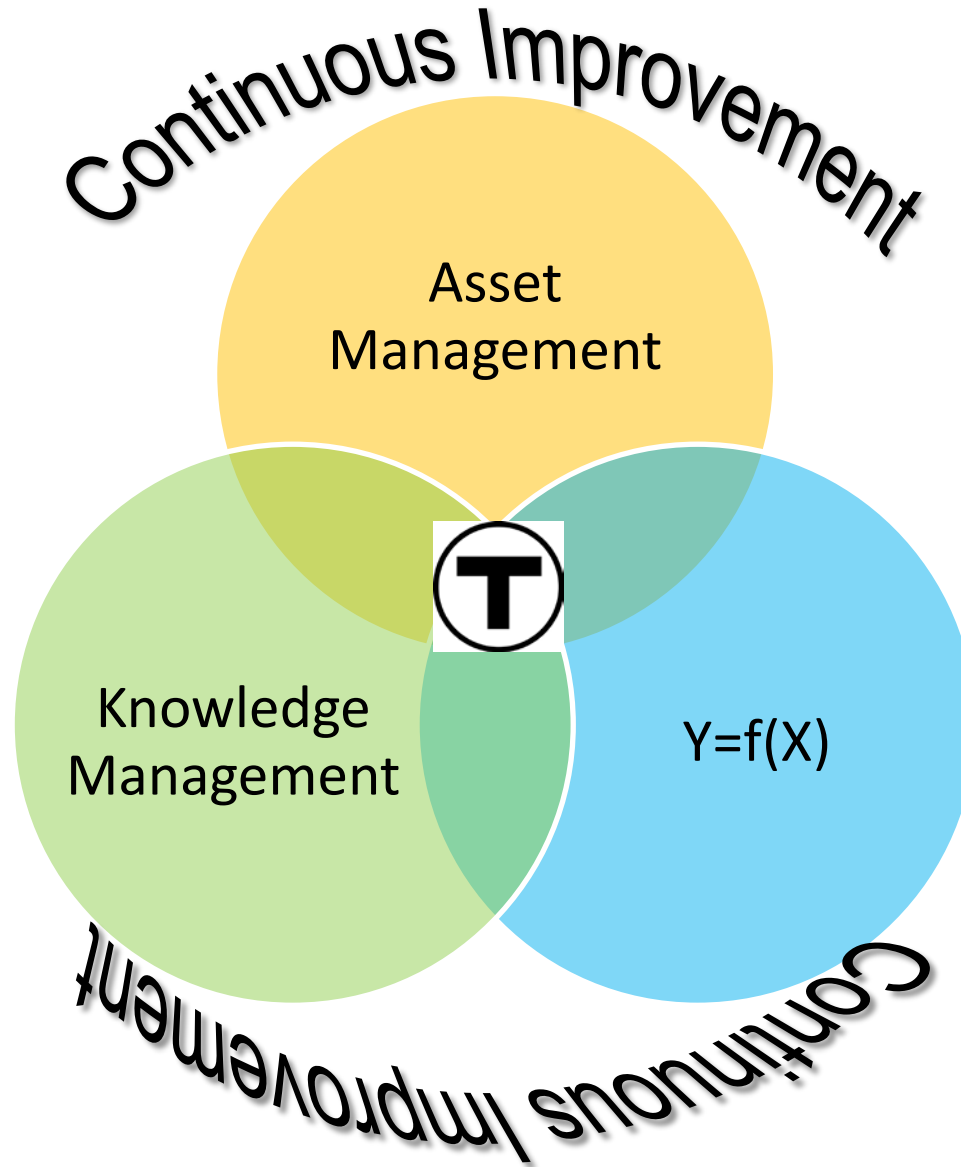
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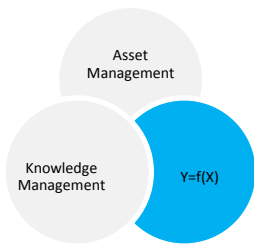


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# Core Elements of the Program



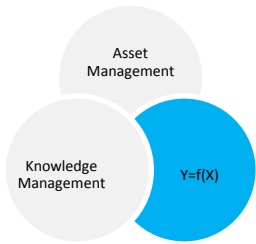


# Scanners

## ■ Thermal Imaging

- Partnered with **JACOBS**
- Mounted Thermal Imaging Camera to the front of a revenue service train
- Water detection (Leaks!)
- Hot Spots
- Heat from poorly bonded C-Bonds!
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Rail heat during non-summer months
- Proactive detection of potential cable fires due to degraded splicing
- Overheating joints
- Lights!

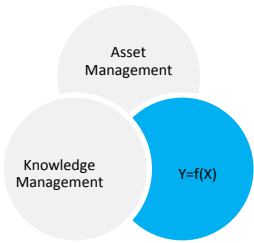




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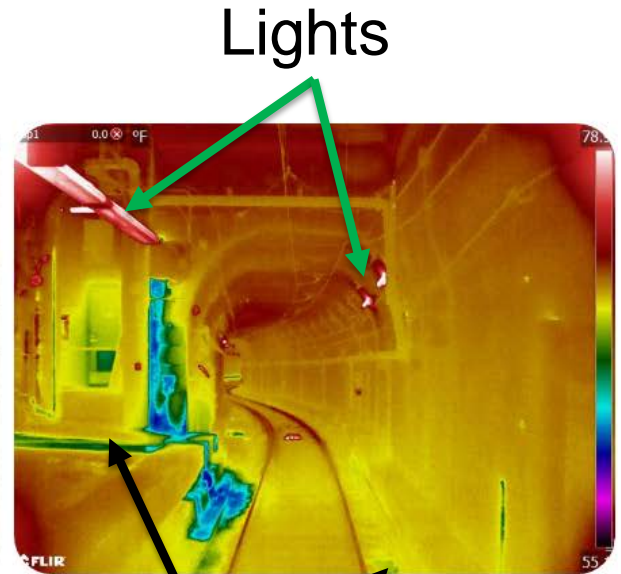
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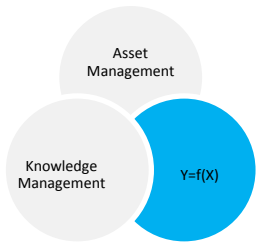
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## Thermal Imaging



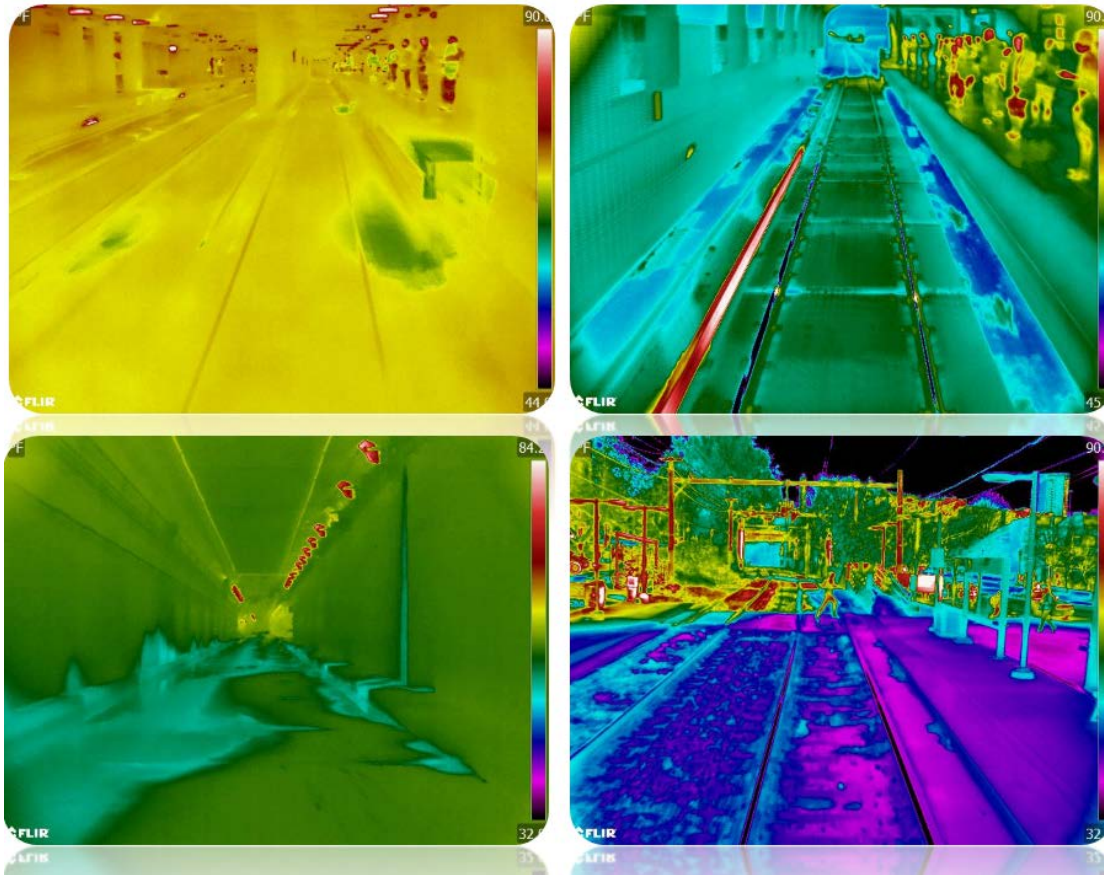
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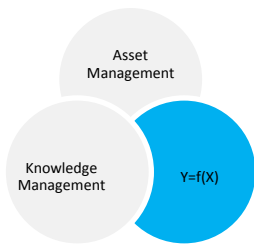




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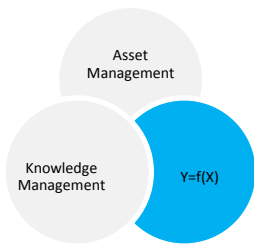


# Scanners

## Other usage

- Overheating equipment
- PM activity e.g. overloaded electrical panel
- Proving the 3<sup>rd</sup> rail heaters work from a safe distance and not disrupting service!
- Incorrect calibration
- Friction in machining
- Trespassing
- Combining with track geometry to predict premature rail aging
- The list goes on!.....





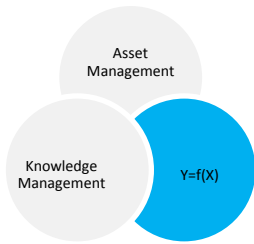
# Cleaning Monitoring System

## ■ Requirements

- MBTA has a penalty based cleaning contract
- Onus on the MBTA to prove a defect has occurred
- Paperwork leads to under utilization of personnel
- We are paying our personnel to do paperwork and not effectively manage the contract







# Cleaning Monitoring System

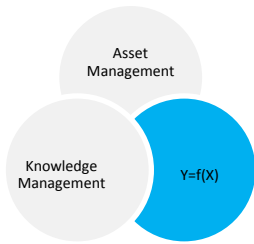
## ■ Worlds first cleaning app for transit

- Developed by the MBTA and DBE
- For the frontline personnel
- 100% Elimination of
- Personnel “downtime”
- Easy to use,
- Cycle time saving the inspection process
- Supervisor portable
- Statistical analysis
- Effective management

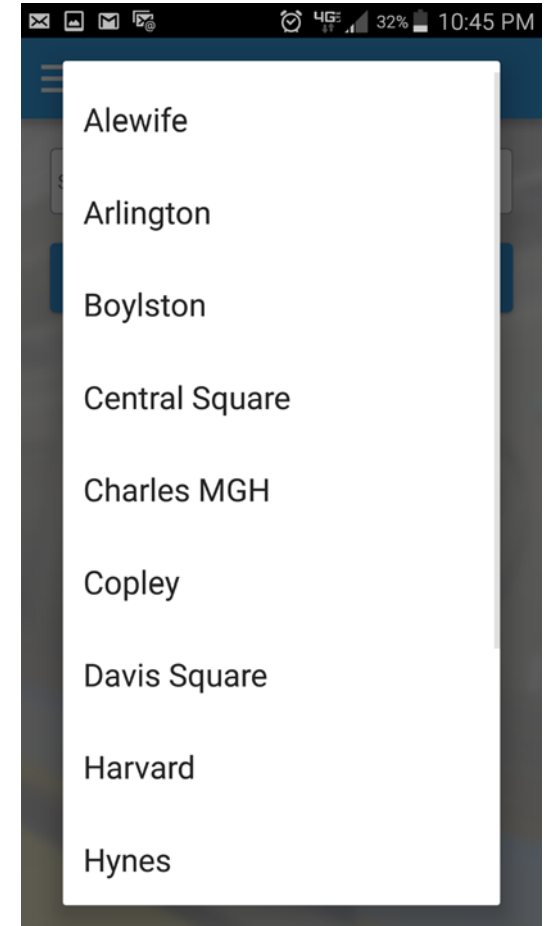
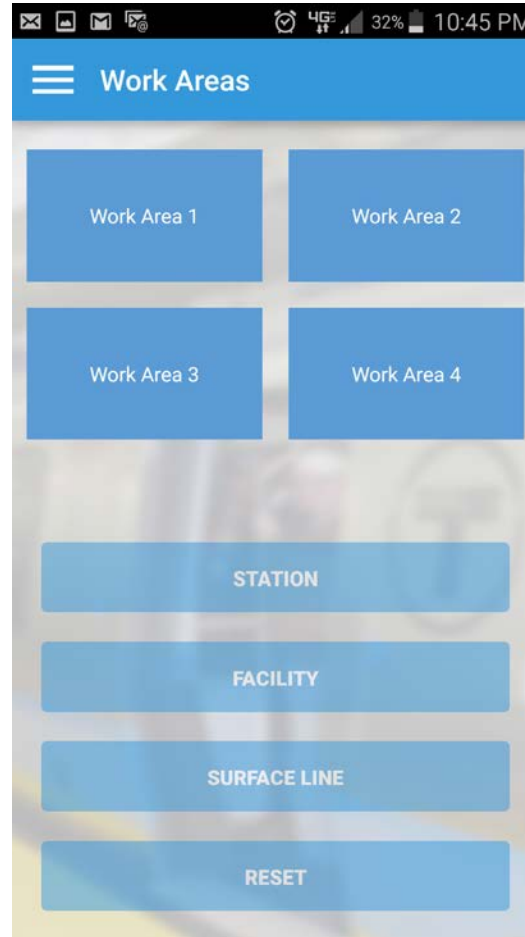


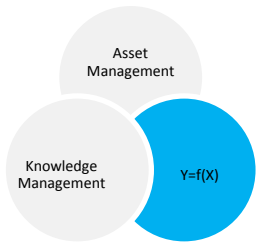
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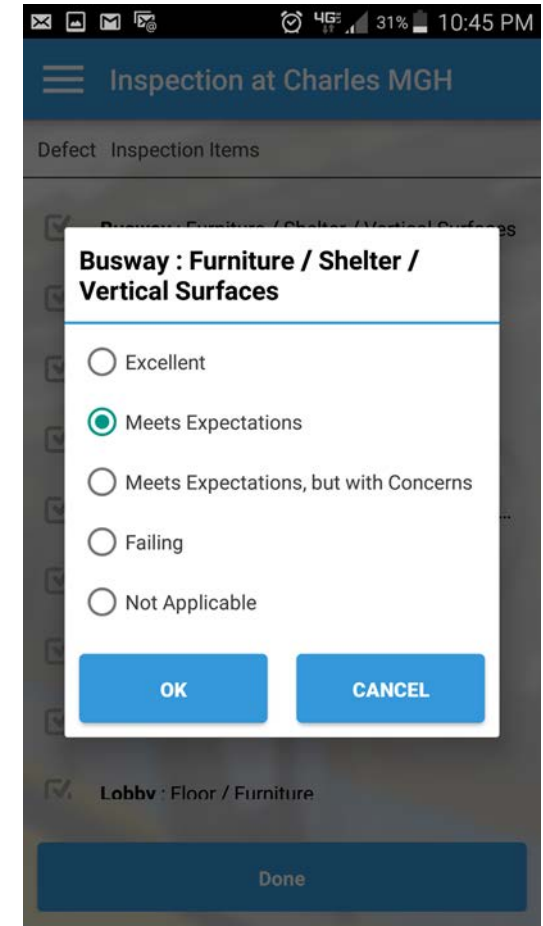
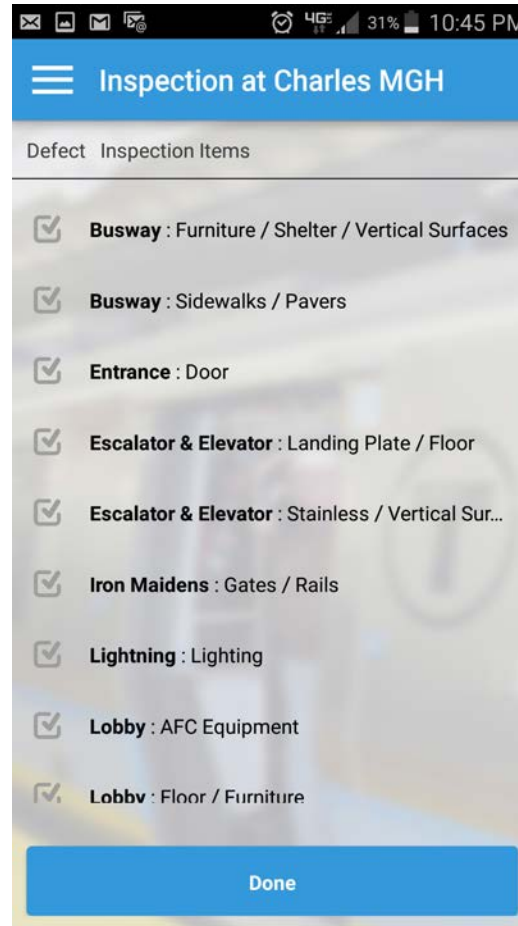
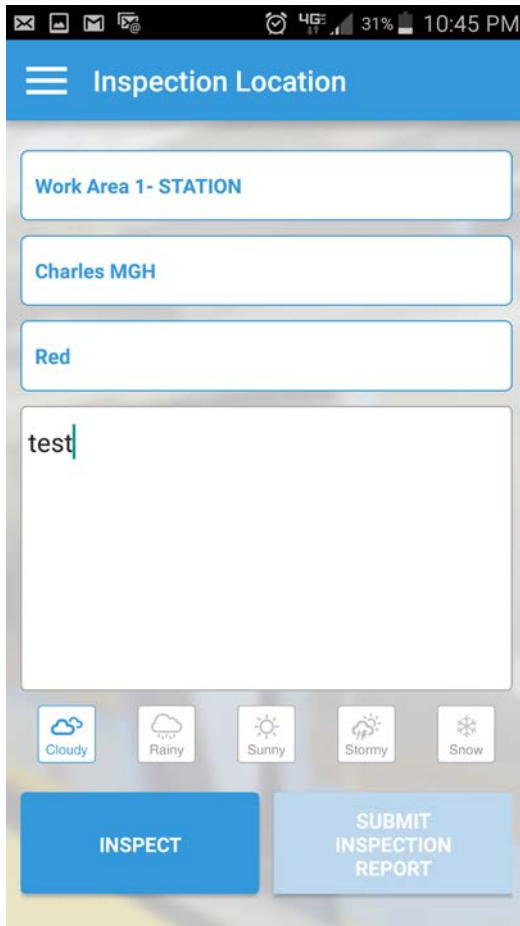


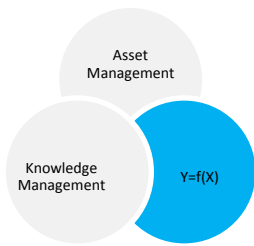
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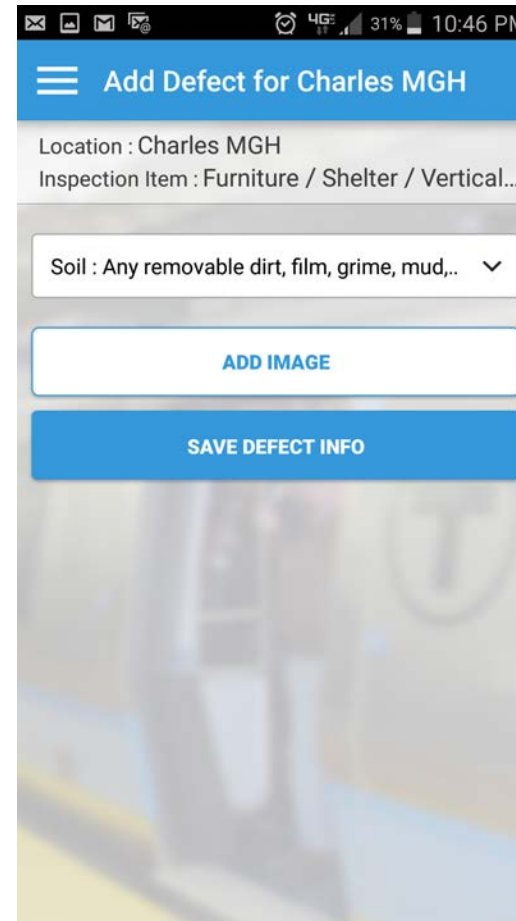
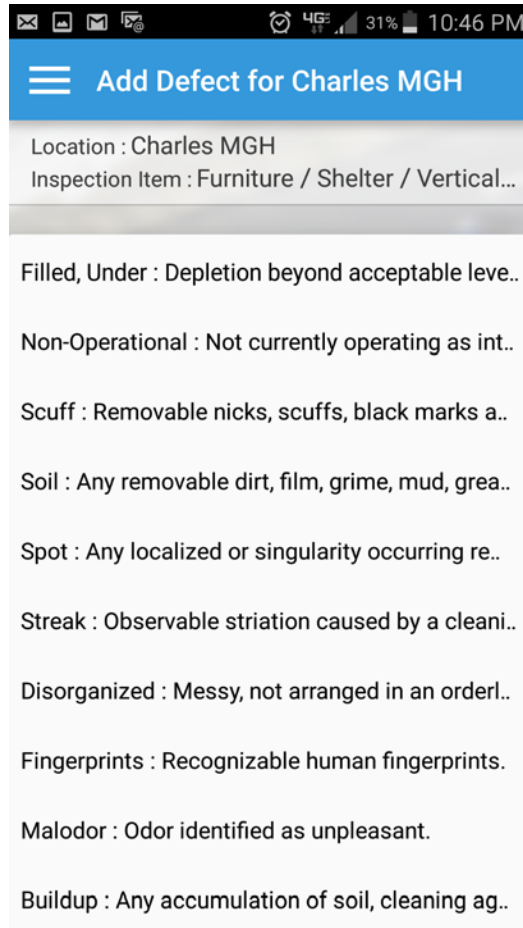


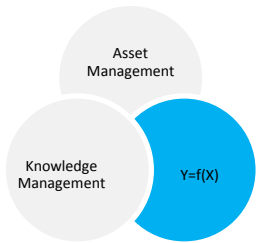
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# Cleaning Monitoring System - Portal

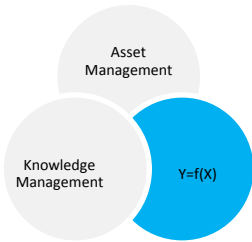
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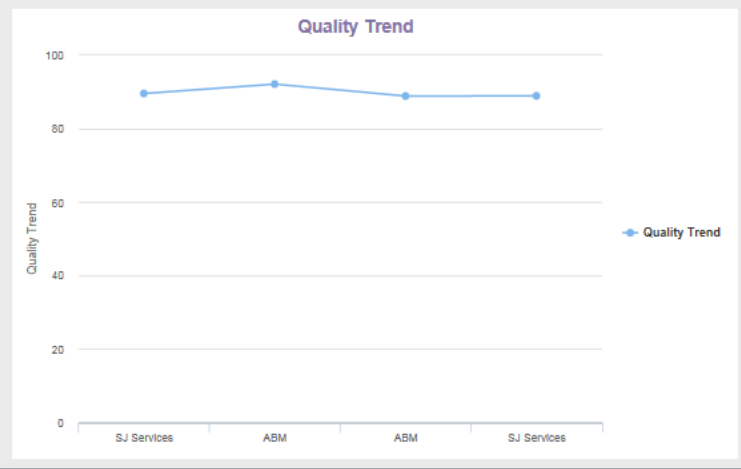
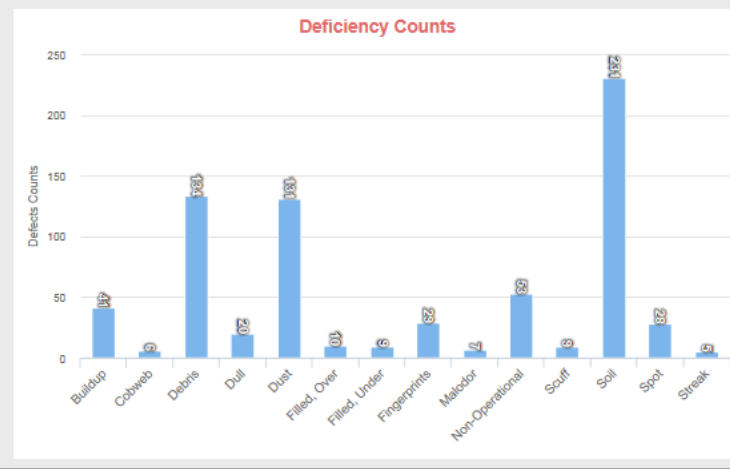
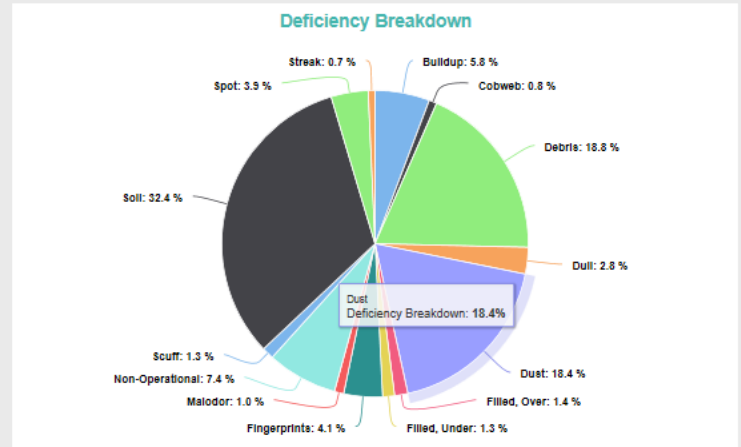
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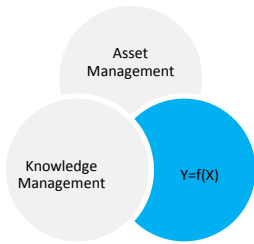


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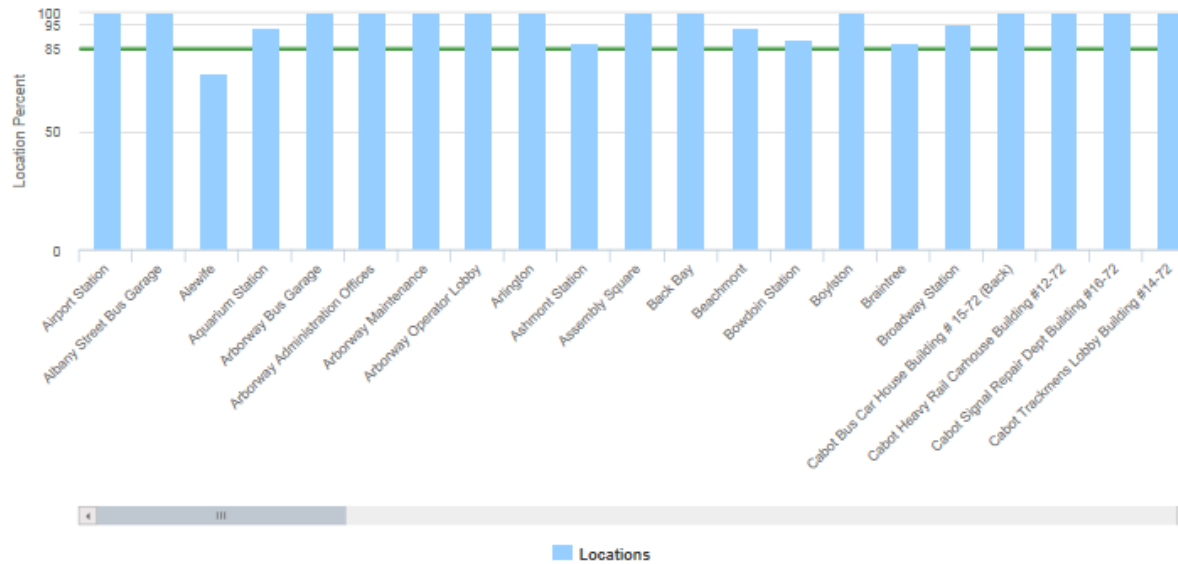


# Cleaning Monitoring System - Portal

## INSPECTION REPORT

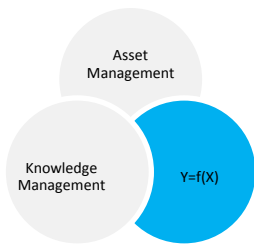
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Note\*: -In Graph Green Line Indicates Location pass score.





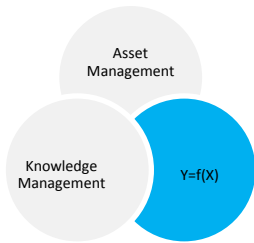
# Cleaning Monitoring System Cost Savings - minimum

	Average Hours Saved (monthly)		
	Paper	Tablet	App
Stations	26.56	25.21	16.45
Facilities	15.73	23.42	9.85
Surface Line	4.84	7.41	2.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.71</b>	<b>18.68</b>	<b>9.60</b>
<b>Cost Savings</b>	<b>\$511.40</b>	<b>\$608.05</b>	<b>\$312.48</b>
<b>Annual Cost Per inspector</b>	<b>\$6136.80</b>	<b>\$7296.60</b>	<b>\$3749.76</b>

■ Does not include savings experienced by supervisors minimum of 4 days saved on data entry and paperwork

39% annual labor cost savings per person





# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

- **Problem Statement:** - find ways of reducing the MBTA operating budget without effecting service delivery and be sustainable

Example:

- Water consumption of washing the 40ft bus fleet at Lynn Garage (pilot site) =

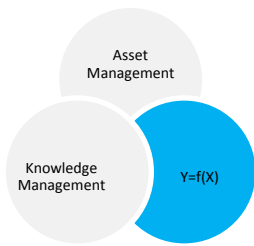
42.45 Gallons (avg per wash) x \$0.0188 x 75 (40ft busses) x 365  
= **\$21,845** for the fleet annually, or **1,162,069 Gallons**

- Physical limitations –

Refueling / Fare  
Collection

Wash

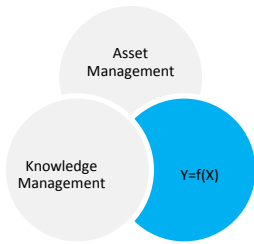




# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

- **Problem Statement:** - find ways of reducing the MBTA operating budget without effecting service delivery
  - **Observations:**
    - Busses must be fueled!
    - Busses seem to be washed a minimum of twice a day
    - Triggers the bus wash – when the bus does not need washing = waste of \$\$
    - Bus wash does not turn off or have the ability to turn off when a bus approaches that has been washed
    - MBTA Policy to wash buses only once a day or unless needed.
  - **MBTA has no active water reclamation system installed**





# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

- 1 year pilot – Building local innovation with the MBTA
- Enlisted Wentworth Institute of Technology students
  - Now created a company as a result – Intellah-Wash
  - Wentworth – Accelerate Program – sponsor
  - 4 students – now 3, small business owners

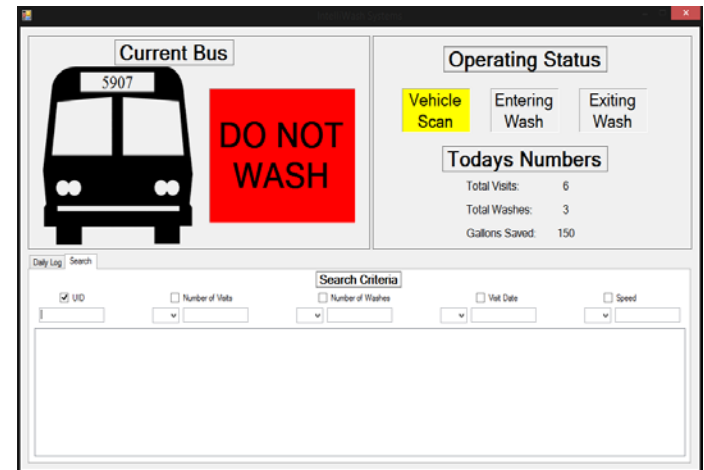


Intellah-Wash

- Intellah-Wash developed



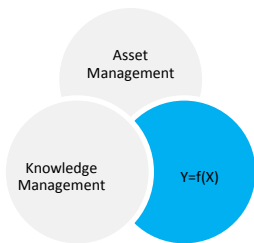
Todays Numbers			
35	40	250 gal	\$ 15.00
Alltime Numbers			
1,722	3,424	85,100 gal	\$ 5,106.00



Online Cloud data (click for link)

Local Interface



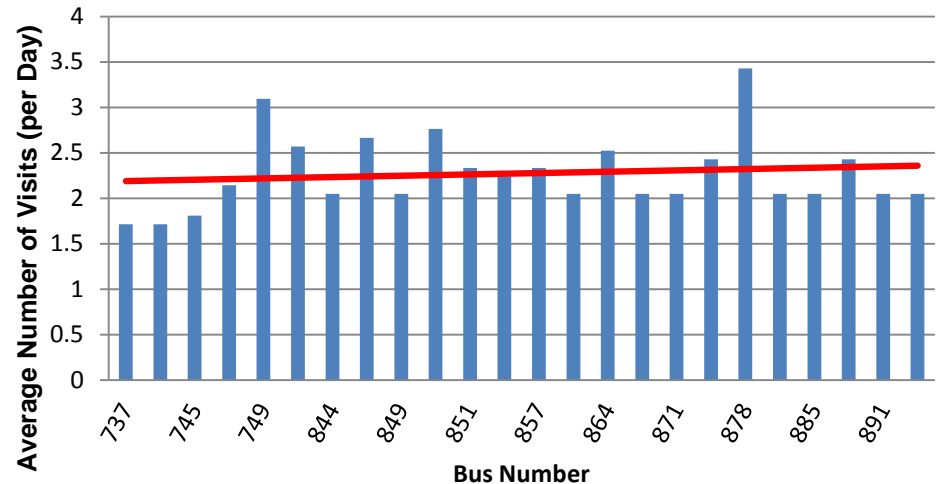


# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

■ A bus **is**, on average, washed twice a day at this location

Bus Number	Number of Visits	Duration(days)	Washed	Average number of visits (per Day)
737	36	21	21	1.714285714
738	36	21	22	1.714285714
745	38	21	18	1.80952381
746	45	21	21	2.142857143
749	65	21	21	3.095238095
823	54	21	23	2.571428571
844	43	21	19	2.047619048
846	56	21	24	2.666666667
849	43	21	19	2.047619048
850	58	21	24	2.761904762
851	49	21	23	2.333333333
855	47	21	19	2.238095238
857	49	21	19	2.333333333
862	43	21	19	2.047619048
864	53	21	22	2.523809524
865	43	21	17	2.047619048
871	43	21	21	2.047619048
872	51	21	22	2.428571429
878	72	21	24	3.428571429
882	43	21	19	2.047619048
885	43	21	23	2.047619048
887	51	21	21	2.428571429
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<b>Total</b>				<b>2.275793651</b>

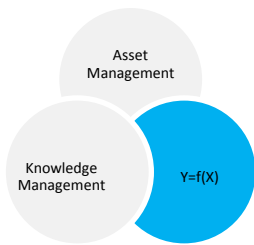
## Results From Initial Pilot Test



■ Costing the MBTA a minimum of twice as much or **\$43,690** and **2,324,138 Gallons**







# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

## Expected Savings (based on assumptions and validated data thus far)

### Lynn Bus Garage

- Fleet: 75 Buses
- Annual consumption: 2,324,138 gallons
- Annual Cost: \$43,694

**Minimum Annual Savings:**  
\$21,874 or 1,162,069 Gallons

### All Authority Bus Garages (theoretical minimum, for 40ft busses annually)

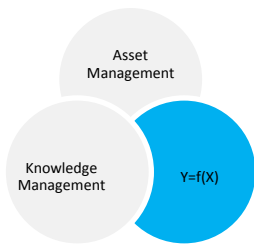
- 11 Bus Garages
- Fleet: 915 Buses
- Annual consumption: 30.3M gallons
- Annual Cost: \$570,359

**Minimum Savings:** \$285,179 or 15.2M Gallons

\*Numbers are based on estimates provided by MBTA Environmental Department

What do you do with the cost savings? – Invest in your system and find more ways to innovate!

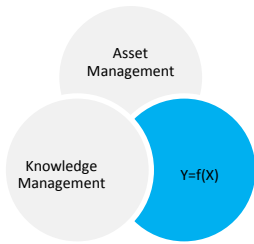




# Bus Wash - Water Consumption Reduction Pilot

- Data – Validate, Validate, Validate!!
- Assumptions for pilot
  - We are washing busses more than once
  - We are using 42.45 of gallons per bus to wash
  - Our bus wash instantly turns on and off with no redundancy
  - Potential of 50% savings in water consumption
  - Lynn Chosen as one of the smallest to trail the technology
  - Buses traveling through the bus was system per procedure
- How are we validating??
  - Intellah-Wash counts the busses going through the wash and the number of visits each bus makes
  - Flow meter to measure actual water flow and gallons used
  - Infield observations of the wash system
  - Verifying the cost data of the asset as a utility
  - Intellah-Wash system turns off bus wash automatically when bus has already been washed in 24 hours
  - Frequency and speed of travel of bus in the system





# LiDAR – multiple usage of data

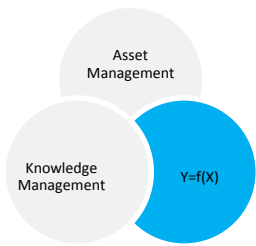
- Data Collected on all 4 lines
- Yard to terminus
- Above and below ground
- Partnered with

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*surveying solutions, inc.*

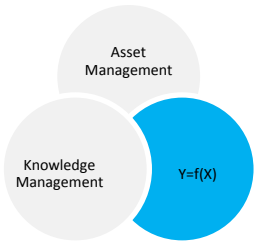




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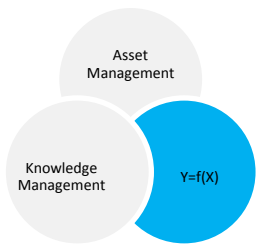






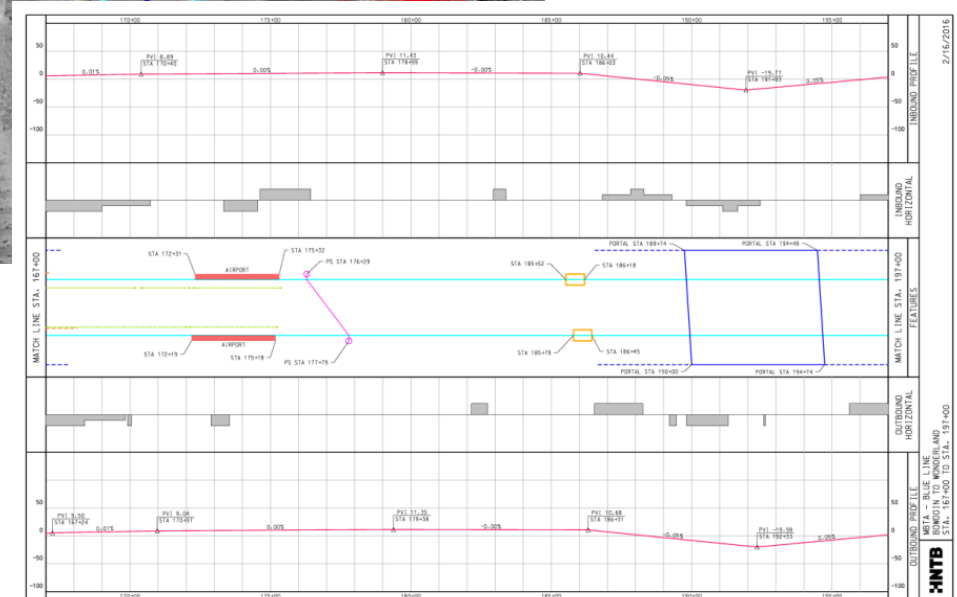
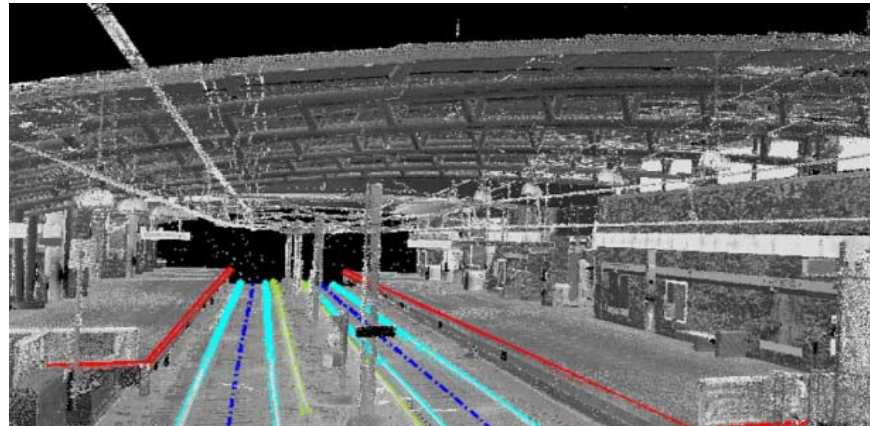
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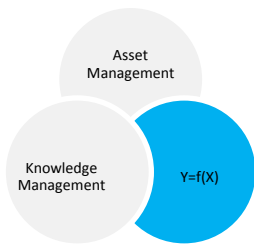


# LiDAR – Example Usages

- Track Charts
- Point Cloud
- Inventory
- GIS
- BIM

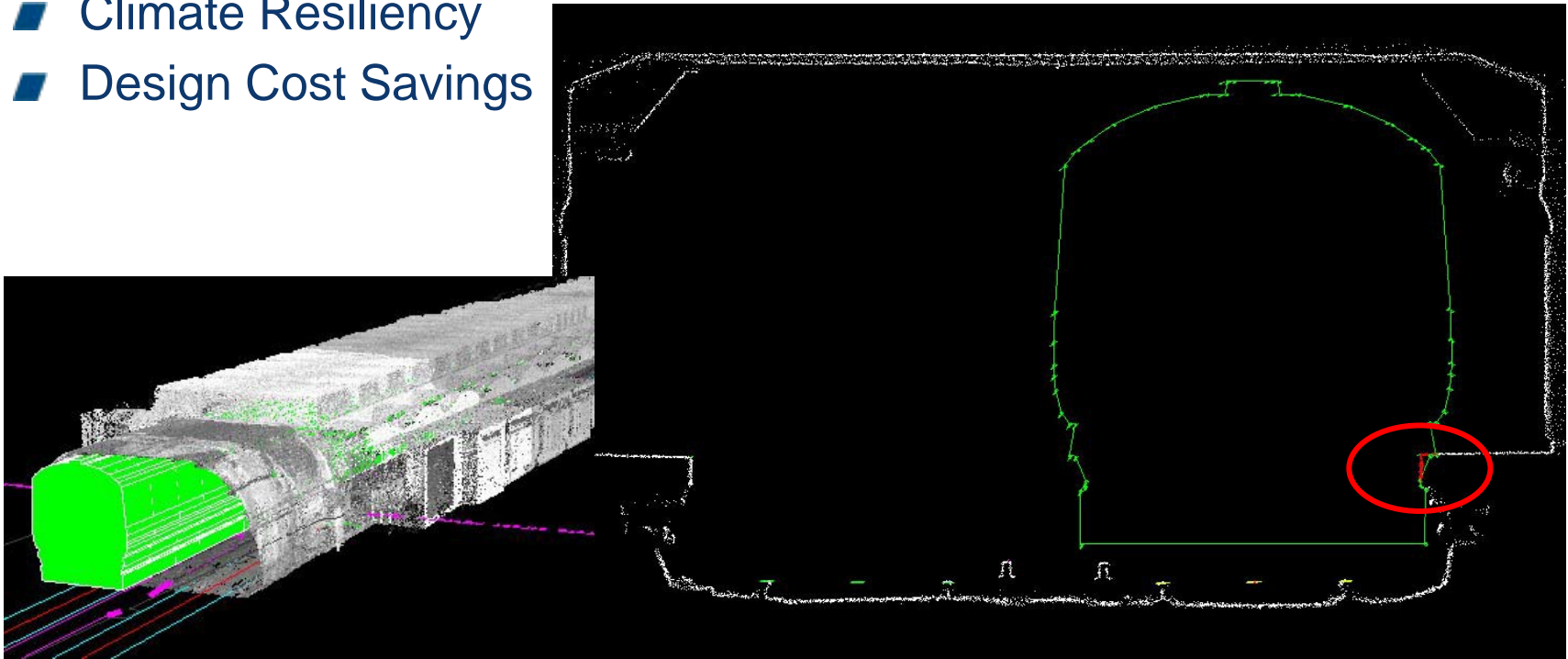


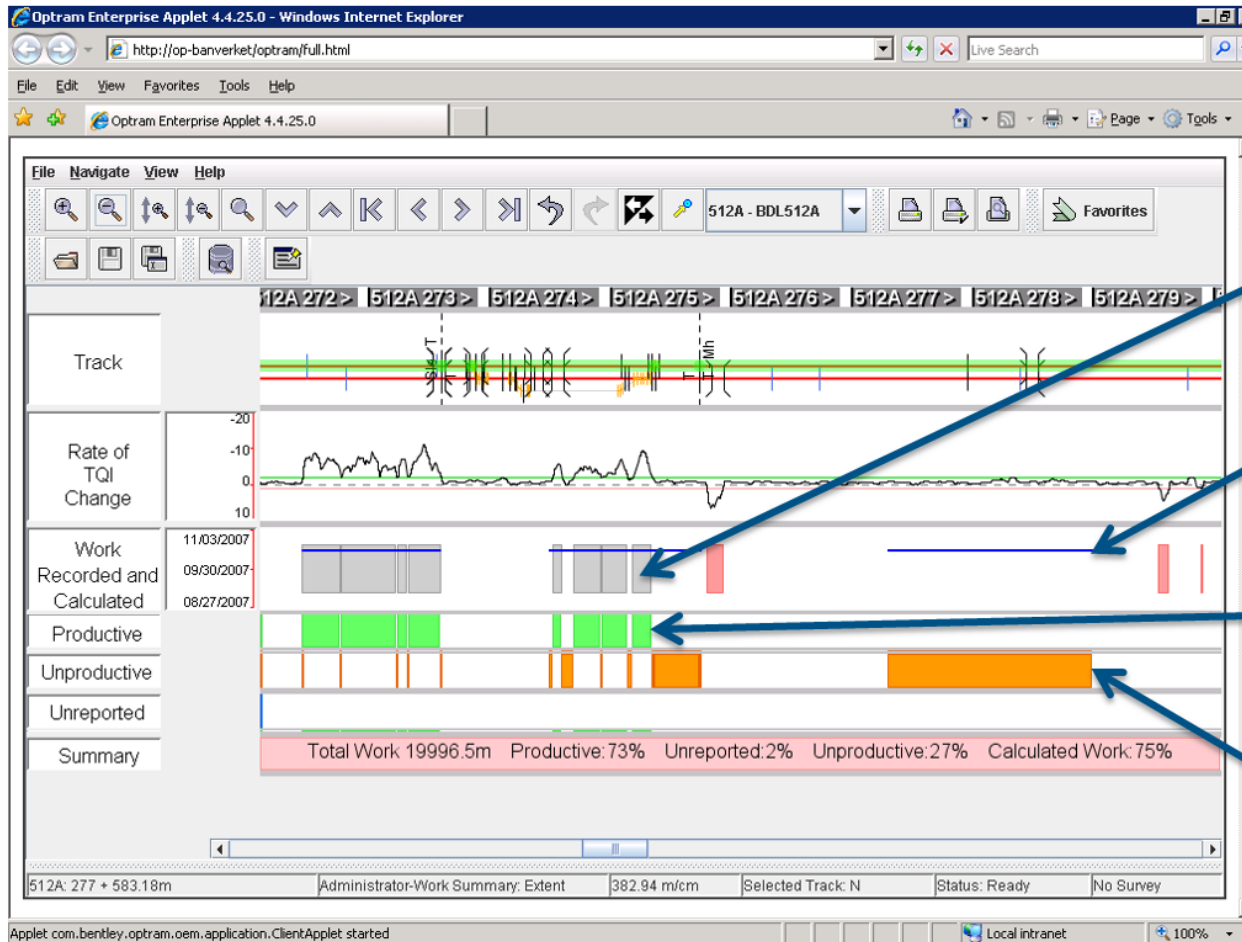




# LiDAR – Other Example Uses

- Design out Engineering Problems
- Survey Cost Savings (present and future)
- GIS / Point Cloud mapping of assets
- Climate Resiliency
- Design Cost Savings





Change in Track Quality

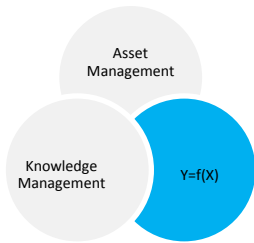
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Productive work

Unproductive work

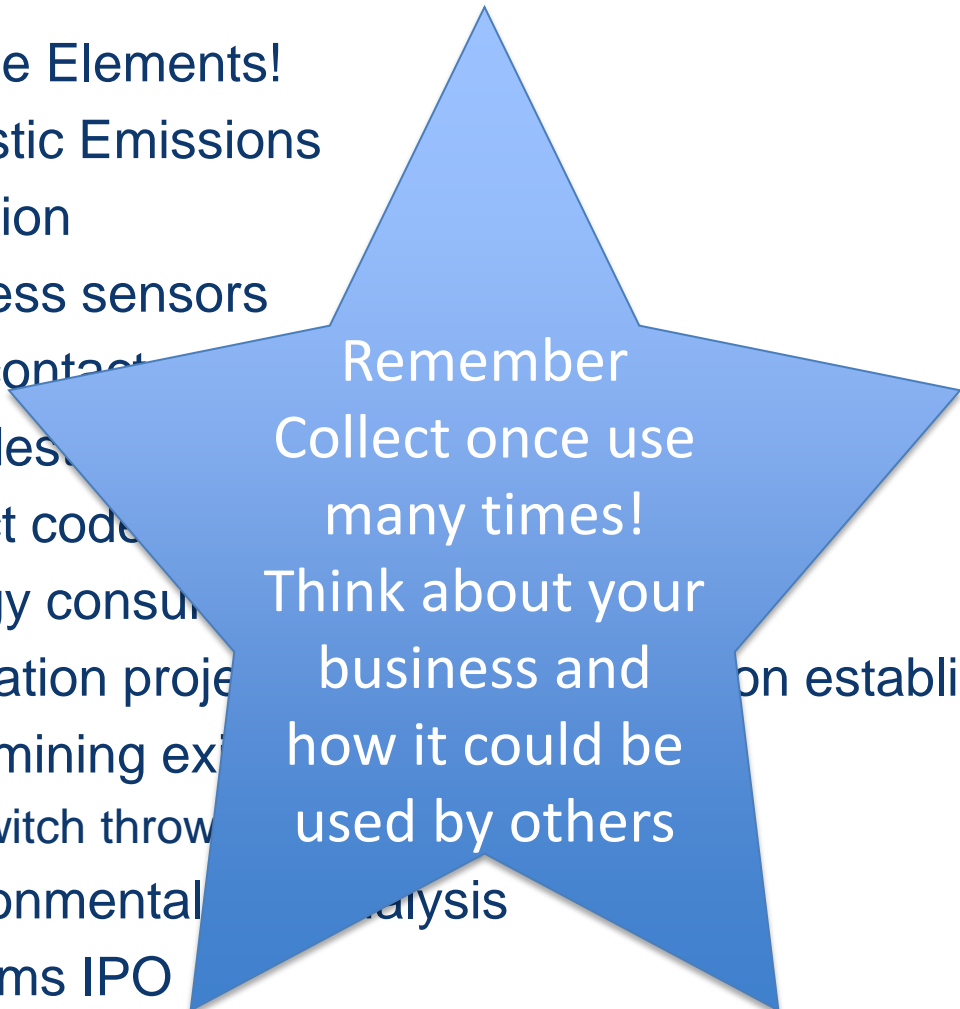
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# Research currently Underway

- Uptime Elements!
- Acoustic Emissions
- Vibration
- Wireless sensors
- Non contact
- Non des
- Defect code
- Energy consum
- Innovation proje
- Data mining ex
- Switch throw
- Environmental analysis
- Systems IPO



Remember  
 Collect once use  
 many times!  
 Think about your  
 business and  
 how it could be  
 used by others

on establishments



# MBTA – A System of Systems

All of this work would not have been possible without the cooperation of departments, stakeholders and teams across and outside the MBTA

Thank you to our partners inside and outside of our business...

We still have allot to do and more partners to work with!



# Thank you Any Questions?

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