

## Predict & Prevent Workplace Injuries

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INDUSTRIAL SCIENTIFIC Predictive SOLUTIONS

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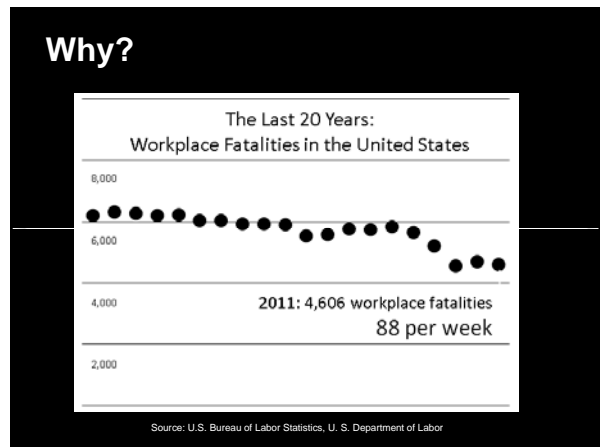
## Start with WHY



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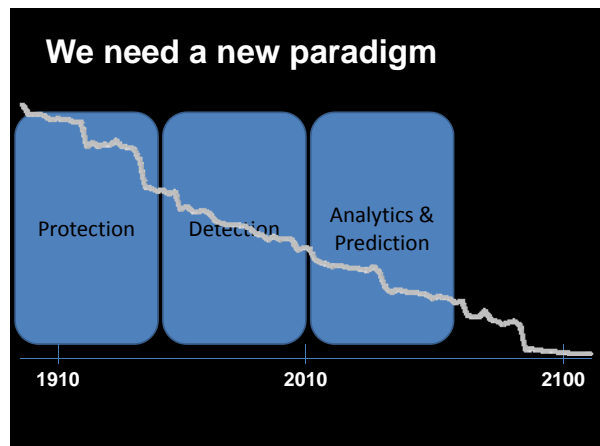


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“A statistical **plateau** of worker fatalities is not an achievement, but evidence that this nation’s effort to protect workers is stalled. These statistics call for nothing less than a **new paradigm** in the way this nation protects workers.”

- ASSE President Terrie Norris



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## Key to predictive analytics?

Data



Safety inspection & observation data



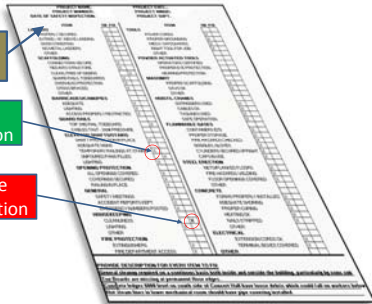
For goodness sake, I don't need to do a site risk assessment each time I get a new tree.

## What does a safety inspection look like?

Inspection

Safe Observation

Unsafe Observation

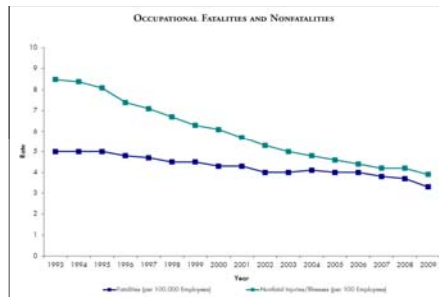


## Why do we do make safety observations?

## Heinrich's Pyramid



## US Occupational Fatal & Non-Fatal Incidents



Source: New Findings On Serious Injuries & Fatalities

## Has Heinrich's Pyramid Collapsed?



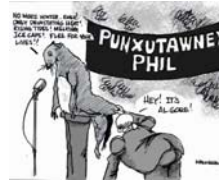
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## Two Questions?

Question-1: Can we predict incidents from safety inspection data?

- if we can predict we can prevent



→ Has been right 39% of the time in predicting the end of winter

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## Two Questions cont...

Question 2: What can we learn from the world's largest store of inspection data?

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## Partnership

Our partners at the Language Technology Institute, Carnegie Mellon University



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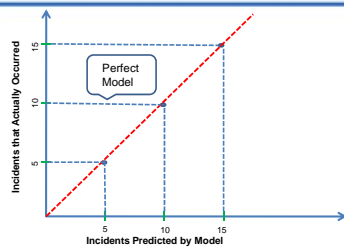
## Model details

- Data used from a four year period - January 2005 and December 2008
  - 313 Worksites
  - 38,121 Inspections
  - 2,492,920 Observations
  - 7,033 Incidents
- Train on 80% of the projects (selected randomly) and test on remaining 20%
- Averaged results over 10 such runs
  - Captured broad commonalities

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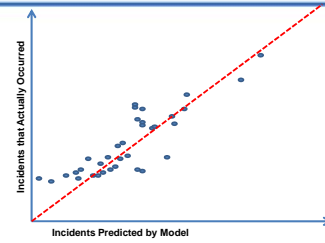
## How good is the model?



- Predictions from a perfect model would lie on the red line

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## How good is the model cont...



- Accurate over 85% of the time
- $R^2$  of 0.75

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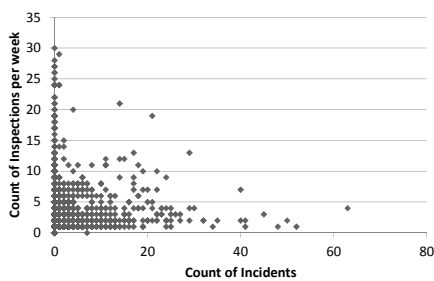
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## From prediction to understanding

- Are there patterns in inspection data that reveal risk of an increase in incidents?
  - Yes! We found four simple safety truths that organizations with good safety outcomes do

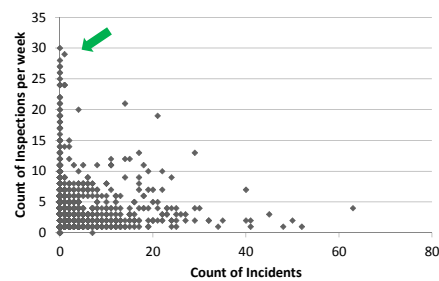
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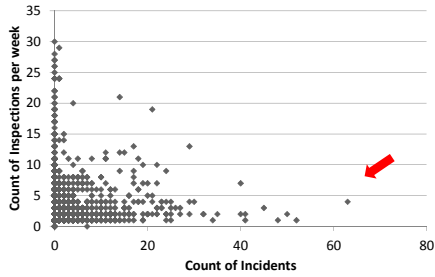
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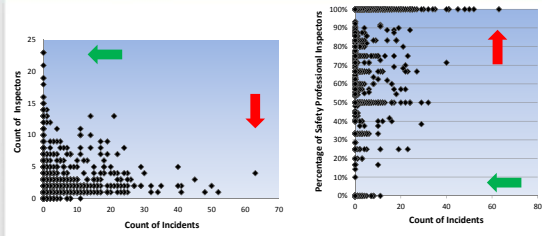
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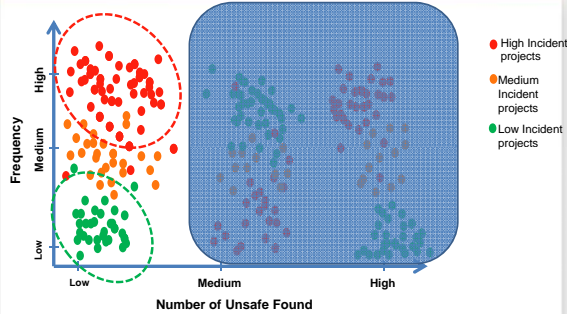
### Safety truth #2: More quantity and diversity in safety inspectors result in safer outcomes



Widespread involvement performs best

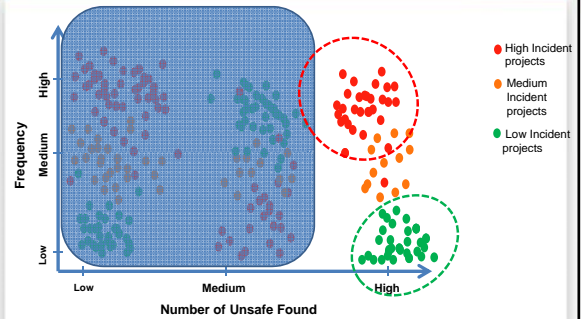
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### Safety truth #3: Too few unsafe observations indicate a poor safety outcome



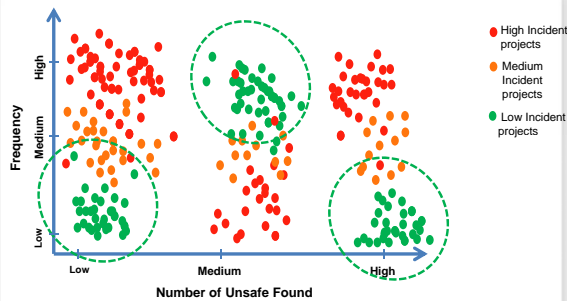
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### Safety truth #4: Too many unsafe observations indicate an unsafe outcome



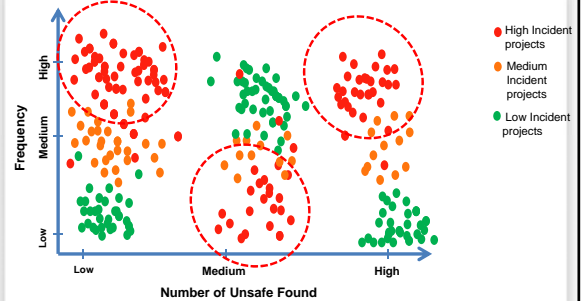
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### Safe clusters



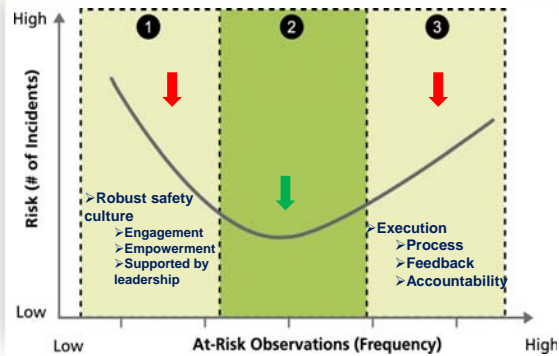
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### Unsafe clusters



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## The risk curve



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## Safety truths overview

- Do a large quantity of inspections
- Involve a wide & diverse population
- Empower to report unsafes
- Fix unsafe issues at the root cause

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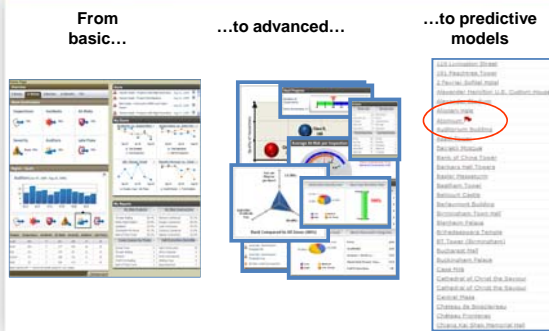
## How companies predict and prevent



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## How organizations predict

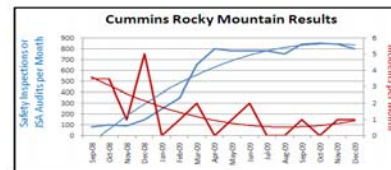


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## Case Example: Manufacturer

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| <p><b>BEFORE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low levels of participation</li> <li>• Lagging data focused</li> <li>• Basic analytics</li> <li>• Unclear as to where to focus resources</li> <li>• Inconsistent results</li> </ul> |  | <p><b>AFTER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 700% increase in inspections</li> <li>• 3,000 leading indicator data points vs 21 lagging data points</li> <li>• Advanced/predictive analytics</li> <li>• Targeted improvement opportunities</li> <li>• Consistent results                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 76% decrease in TCIR</li> <li>- 88% decrease in DART</li> <li>- 97% decrease in Days Away</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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## Case Example: Utility Company

### BEFORE

- Low levels of participation
- Lagging data focused – focused on zero incidents
- Basic analytics
- Unclear as to where to focus resources
- Inconsistent results



### AFTER

- 646% increase in inspections
- Now focused on managing observable behaviors
- Advanced/predictive analytics
- Targeted improvement opportunities
- Consistent results
  - 54% decrease in TCIR



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## There are many examples

### Incident/Injury Reduction



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## WHY



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## Thank you and Questions



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### For additional information

1. Our website [www.predictivesolutions.com](http://www.predictivesolutions.com)
  - Whitepaper and videos on Four Safety Truths
  - Case studies (with videos) of both Cummins and Southern Company
  - Other information on advanced/predictive analytics in safety
2. How to find "Start with why"...do an internet search for "Simon Sinek start with why"

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