# Autonomous Operations in Practice: Scaling AI with Edge Computing for Optimizing Gas Lift Wells

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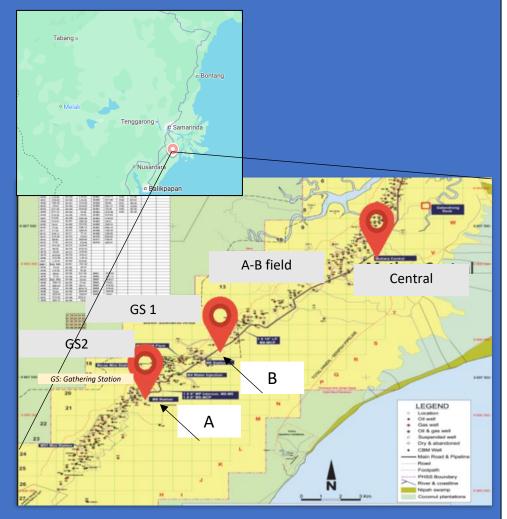
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# Background



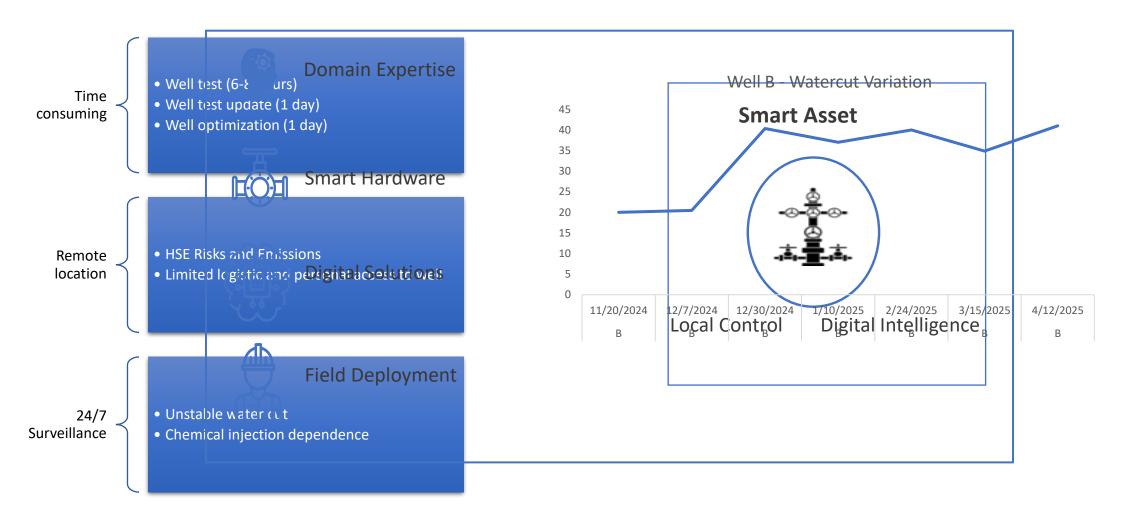


- ~34 days of non-optimized flow
- Inherent delays in critical decision data

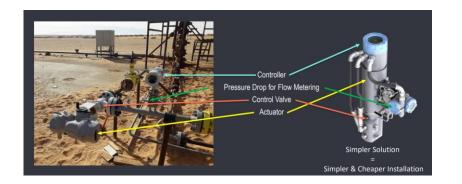
#### Kalimantan (Sanga Sanga)

- 2 wells selected as pilot project:
- Well A:
  - Limited accessibility due to road path and unpredictable weather
  - Fully dependance on gas lift injection
  - Average Production 2024 (~50 BOPD)
- Well B:
  - Producing naturally in 2020 (~557 BOPD)
  - Start producing with gas lift 2022
  - Average production 2024 (~200 BOPD)
  - Flow assurance issue, injecting chemical injection: PPD (Pour Point Depressant)

# Challenges



### Workflow



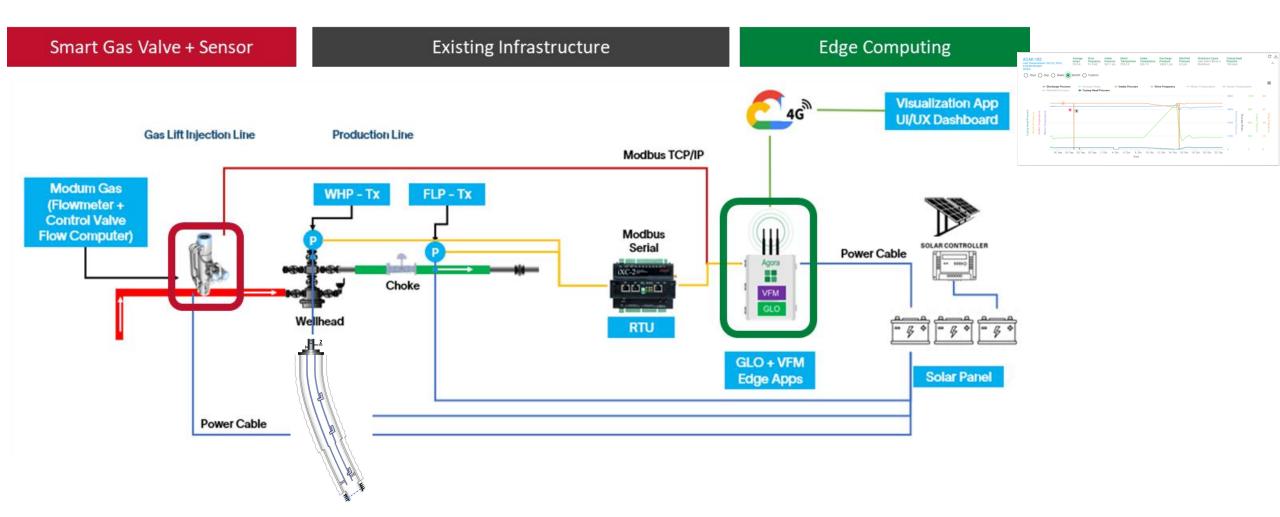
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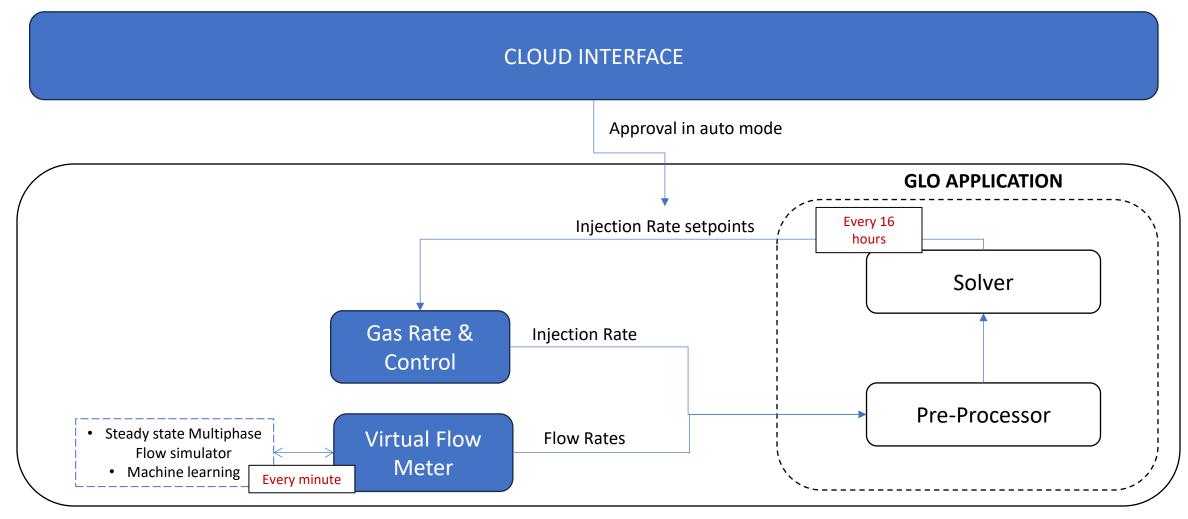
#### **Smart Well** Smart Digital Algorithms hardware test Smart valve VFM Application Autonomous operation GLO Application • Production surveillance • Edge gateway

Daily optimization cycle ~16hours

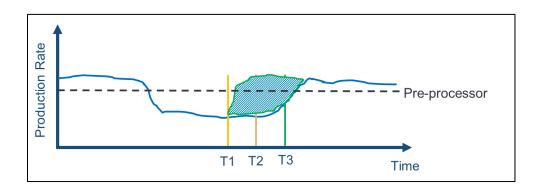
### **Solution Architecture**

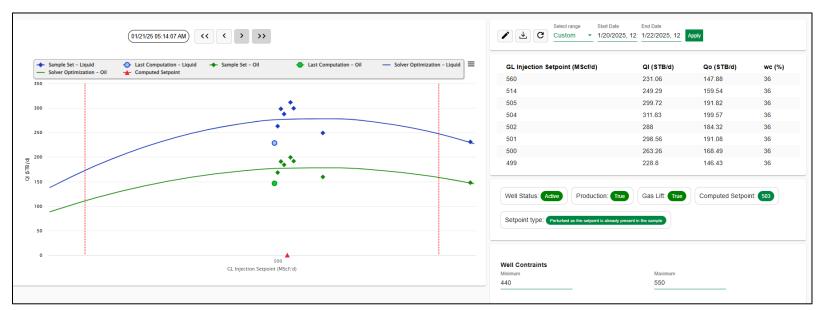


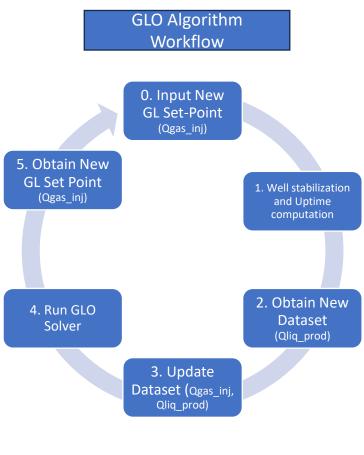
# **Application Architecture**



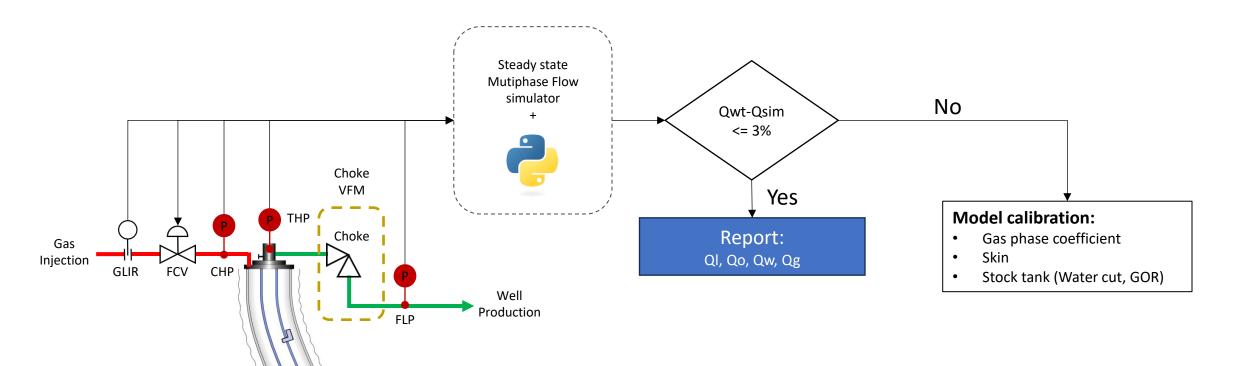
# Methodology – GLO Application



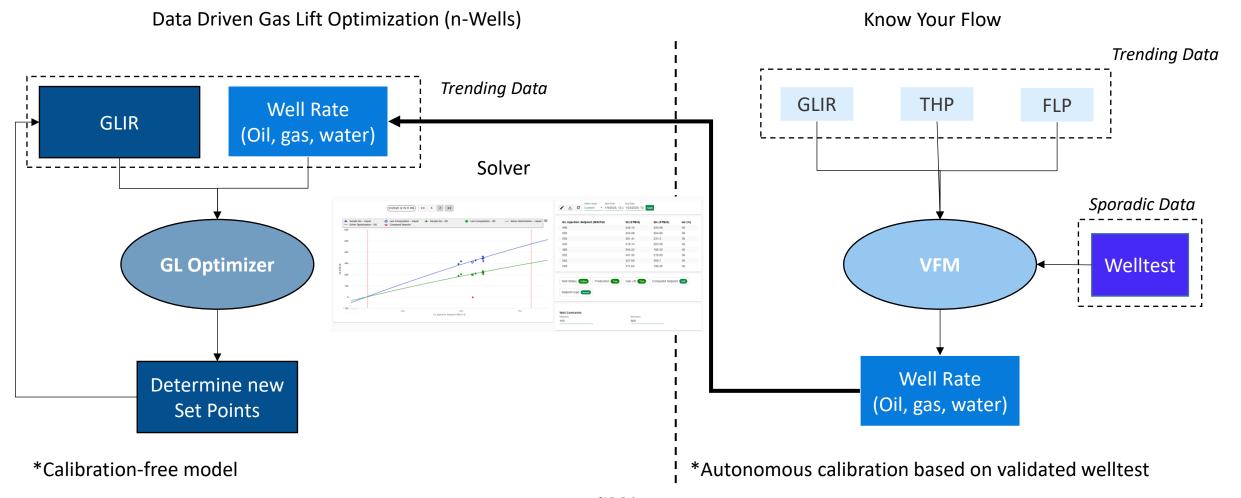




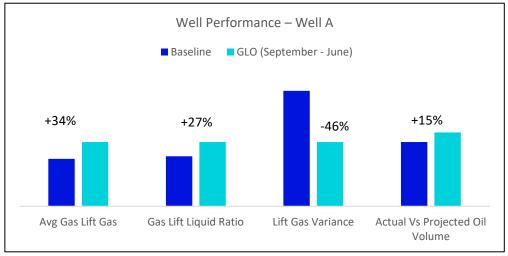
# Methodology – VFM Data driven

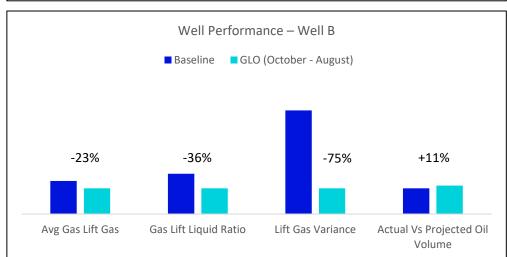


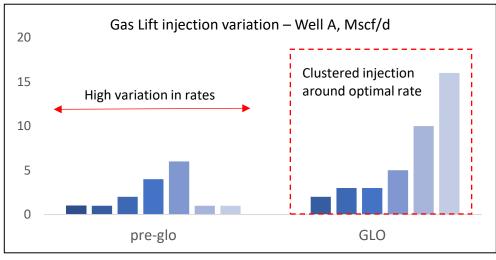
# **Solution Edge Intelligence**

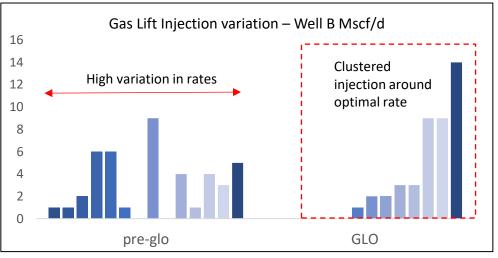


### **Pilot evaluation**

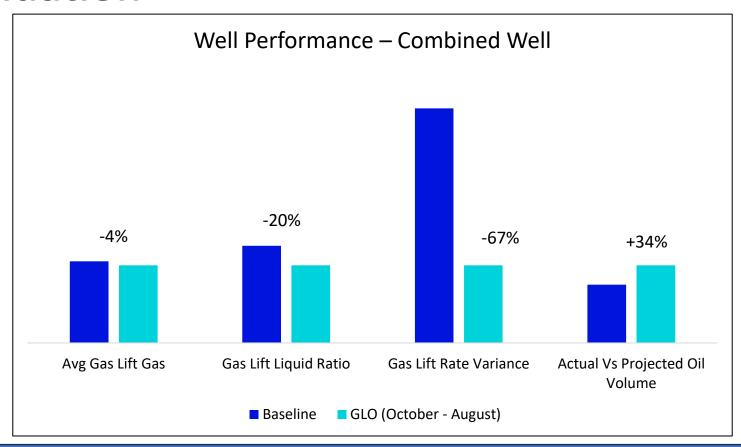








### **Pilot evaluation**



## **Best practices & Lesson learned**

#### **Best Practices**



#### **Starlink Deployment**

Stable connectivity in remote locations



#### **VFM Calibration**

Not necessary for each well test as it restarts the algorithm of GLO App



#### Quarterly well test still required

Update Water cut and GOR to enhance accuracy of the VFM Choke model

#### **Lessons Learned**



#### Issue using mobile signal line

Optimize starlink deployment to mitigate latency issues



#### **Gateway Location Sensitivity**

Conduct thorough site surveys to avoid obstructions/ distance issue

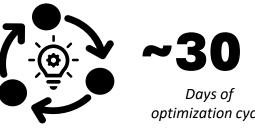


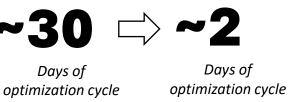
#### **Gateway hardware**

Insulate equipment, maintain optimal operating conditions, ensure caps are enclosed properly as standard guidelines

### Conclusion















## Shifting priorities in operations

Produce "more" with "lesser" resources

**Cost & Operations Integrity** 

ROI for Digital investment in Operations

Adoption / Management of Change

Implementation of use-cases

**Scale vs Proof points** 

Managed AI, data, connectivity and cyber security

**Technology Integration** 

### Let's Collaborate!

\*based on experience with previous projects





**Production Efficiency** 

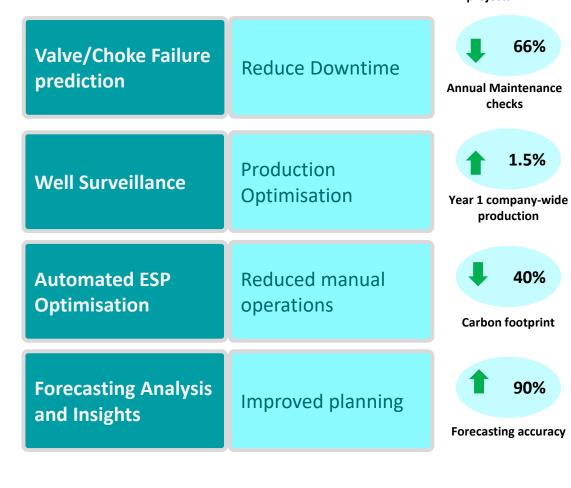


**Capital Performance** 



**Safety Sustainability** 







#### There is a tremendous opportunity to

- → improve decision making enabled by science and AI
- → improve asset performance by accessing siloed data
- → achieve safe and sustainable operations with field automation

### Enabled through integrated platforms—cloud and edge

Digital production solutions

An ecosystem of configurable, scalable and secure solutions.

Infused with domain Al.

Designed for fast deployment and value realization.



