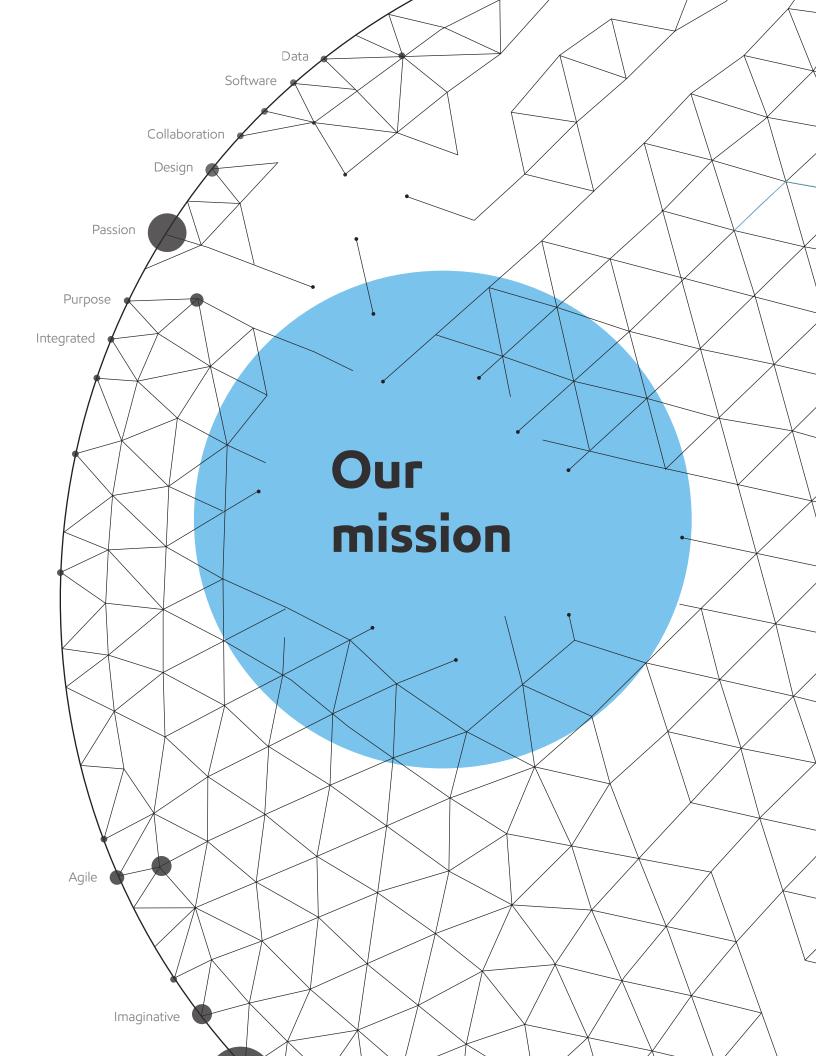
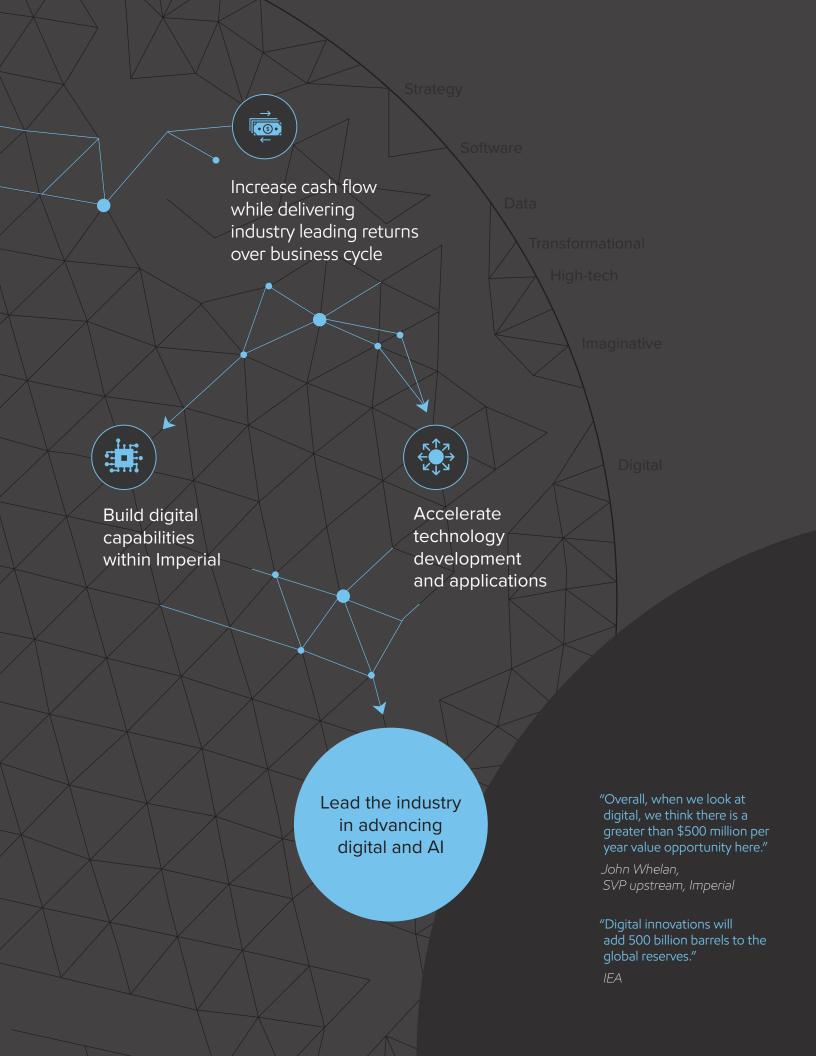




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The situation

One common technique to recover heavy-oil from our assets is injecting steam to help oil flow. Engineers are always finding ways to recover more oil by optimizing steam injection across thousands of wells.

The challenge

The variability of rock and oil properties across the field affects the efficiency of steam injection and oil recovery. Moreover, these properties change over time as oil is recovered. Operating decisions are based on first principle engineering models, which are time consuming to build and calibrate.

The solution

We used machine learning (XGBoost) to model the oil recovery across the field given several input parameters, including injection rates and oil production. XGBoost, along with optimization algorithms, provide operating recommendations on a continuous basis to improve recovery. The resulting algorithms have been deployed to the field and early tests show promising results. Also, site personnel appreciate ease of use of the tool, the real-time view of the inputs and predicted rate estimates.

Digital value

Imperial is well positioned to leverage digital

Organizational readiness

Support from CEO and senior leadership: commitment to long-term vision and support Dedicated digital group that leverages battle-tested operating principles to engage with the business

Access to top-tier talent, both internal/external

Open, collaborative environment to foster innovation and agility

Top-down commitment to challenge the status quo

Strong support and awareness across the company

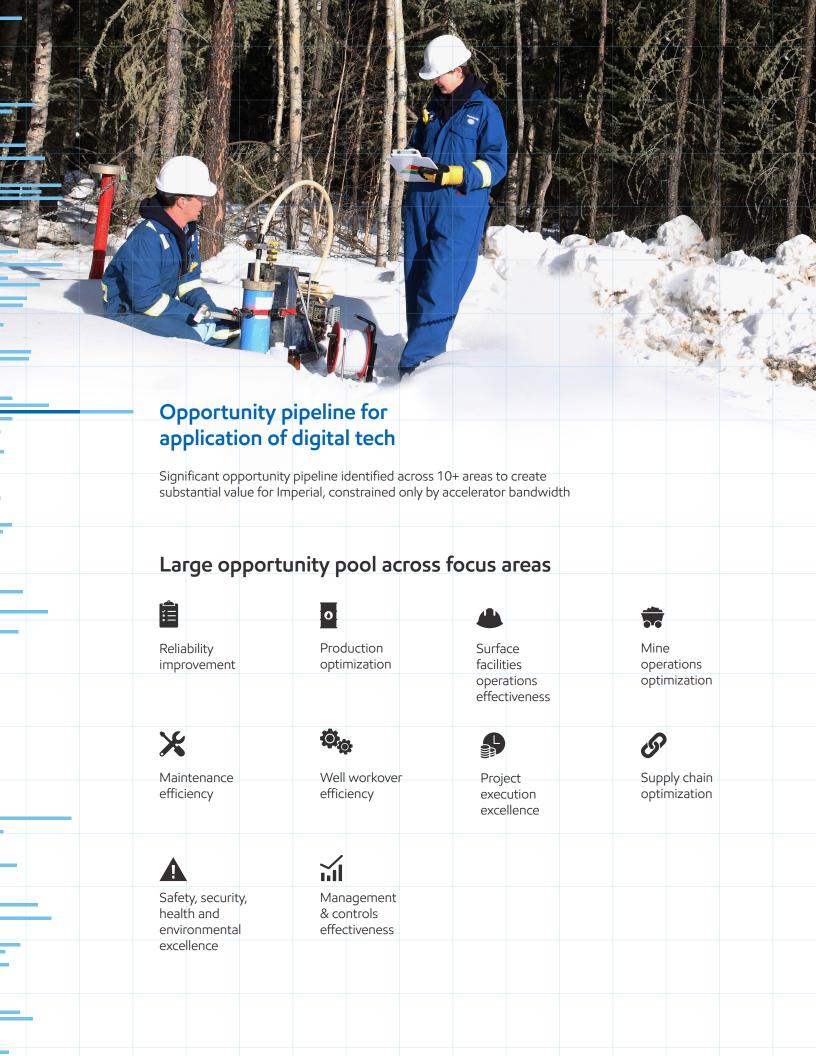
Infrastructure

Data

Well maintained historical data across operations, managed in accordance to modern IT standards

Computing

Access to powerful cloud computing resources to facilitate large, high-end modelling projects





Big data and analytics	Analysis of large data sets to identify new patterns
Cloud computing/storage	Highly scalable, variable-cost storage and processing on demand
Collaborative technology platforms	Real-time communications and tracking Every asset, equipment, employee always connected (connected worker)
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Mobile connectivity and AR	Mobile connectivity and augmented reality
Sensors	Low cost, low power, connected sensors capturing spatial and environment information
3D scanning	Analysis of real-world object or environment to collect data on its shape/appearance
Virtual reality	Interact more naturally with digital devices and services
Additive manufacturing	Print objects and parts on demand with increasing precision, and range of materials
Unmanned vehicles	Autonomous, low-cost vehicles able to perform complex tasks
Robotics and automation	Intelligent robots assist with complex assignments

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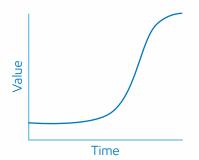
Leverages agile ways of working in order to accelerate value capture

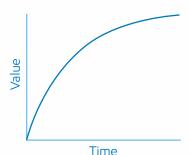
Traditional project execution

Stage-gated projects (often longer-lived)
Multiple approvals required
Value realized all at once (at end)

Digital + agile project execution

Shorter sprints, with iterations & feedback Incremental value realized at intervals Built-in authority to make decisions & "smart mistakes"

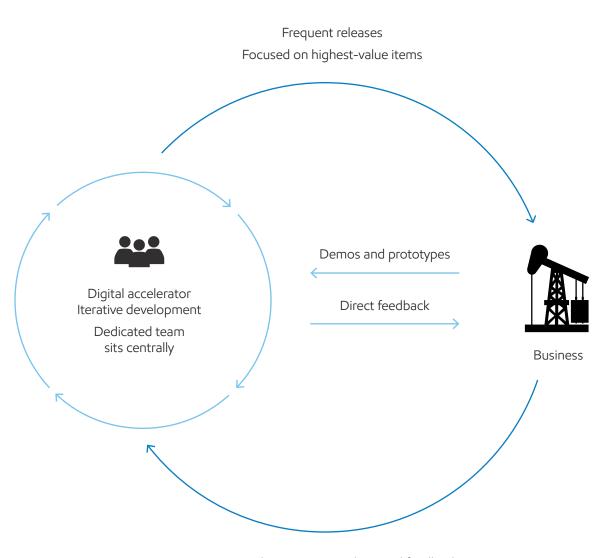






Operating model

Iterative approach to work with the business and improve the product based on feedback



Measured impact, usage data, and feedback

What's in it for you?

Cutting-edge projects

You'll work on highly complex, previously unsolved problems that will push your expertise and problem solving skills

Access to thought leadership

You'll work alongside seasoned experts and a talented peer group

A thriving community

As members of the Digital Accelerator, you will have access to the scientific community, both internal and external, through conferences and seminars

At Imperial, you'll experience:

Visibility from senior

leadership

You'll enjoy strong support

and visibility from senior leadership, and work closely with business stakeholders to push the boundaries of digital in oil and gas

Long-term

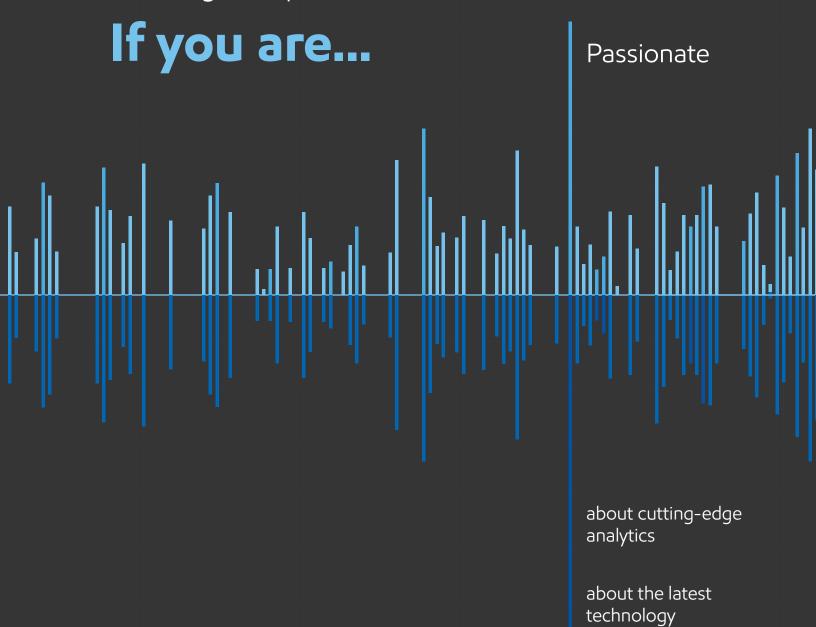
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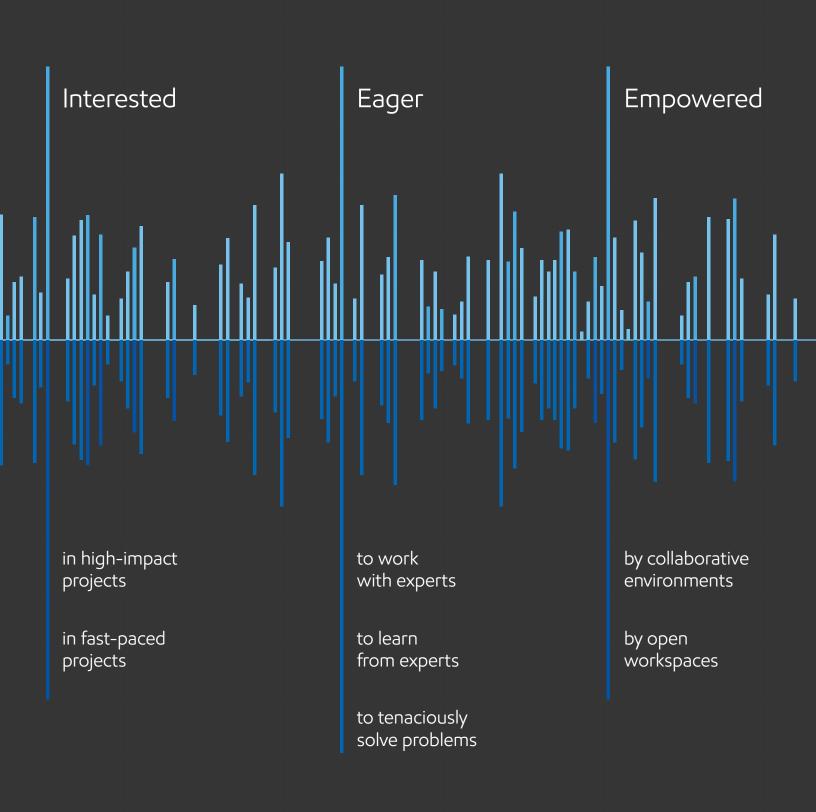
Build your own unique path as you go Move into different areas and roles as your skill sets evolve Competitive salary and benefits

Access to latest technology

You'll work on cutting-edge technology and pioneer its use in upstream

Imperial's Digital Accelerator is looking for top-tier talent





As an integrated energy company, we explore for, produce, refine and market products essential to society. At Imperial, we believe that we can have reliable and affordable energy, a strong economy and a clean environment, and we're committed to making it happen.

Our technology capabilities



Access to \$1B/yr in ExxonMobil R&D investments



\$2.1B+ spent on R&D over last 20 years

Our business footprint



Integrated operations: production, refining and marketing



5,700 employees



Coast-to-coast portfolio across Canada





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