

**International Network
Generations Roadmap (INGR)
Virtual Workshop
AI/ML Working Group**
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10-year Vision

- Provide fully automated and assured end-to-end network and service life cycle management
- Support a myriad of IoT services (e.g., healthcare, transportation, smart energy, smart cities, smart industry, sustainable agriculture, financial services, gaming/entertainment) offered by service providers and verticals
- Deliver reliable connectivity, low latency, and high bandwidth services driven by AI/ML analytics

Scope

- Consider application of AI/ML to all layers of network stack – Physical to Application Layer
- Explore cross-layer optimization using AI/ML
- Identify and address range of options from monitoring, to learning to actuation, while considering aspects of performance, security and reliability that run through all layers
- We believe AI/ML will impact and interact with almost all the other Future Network Working Groups

Today's Landscape

- Current consensus is that AI/ML has a great potential for networking applications
- The networking field itself provides rich and challenging problems for the AI/ML community, with application of algorithms ranging from passive supervised learning to active reinforcement learning
- However, concerns related to model interpretability, trust, data privacy, algorithm adversarial attacks have slowed AI/ML adoption in the networking area

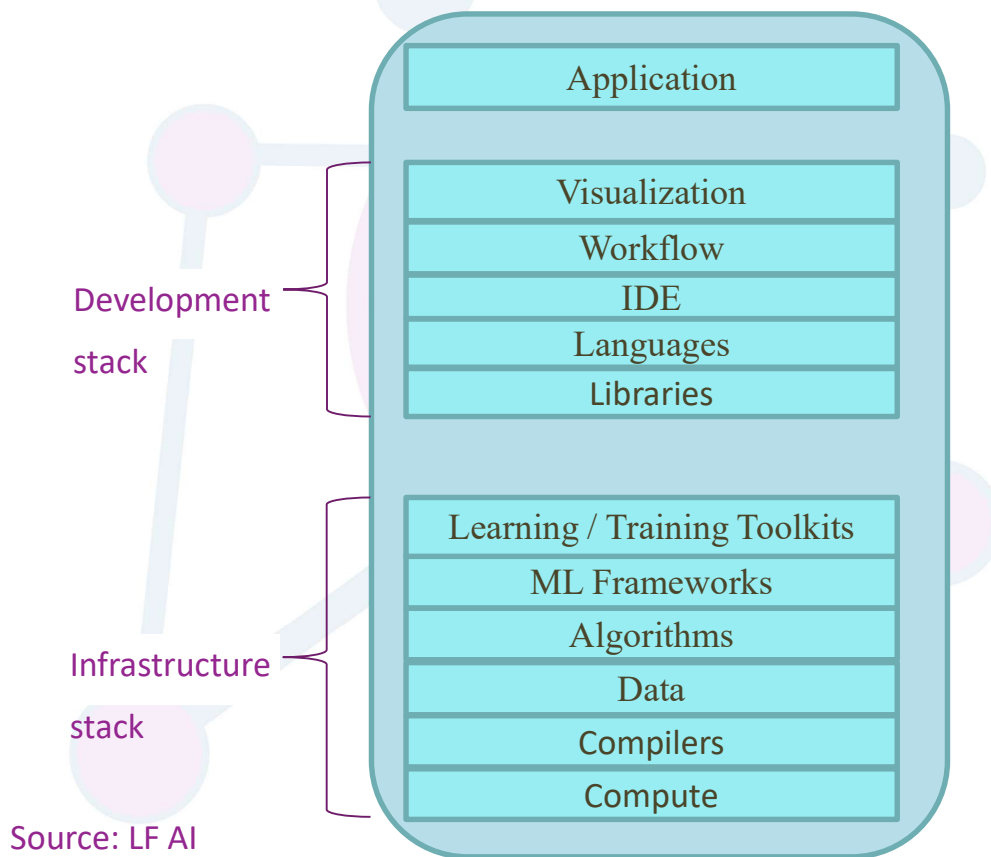
Top Needs for 10-year Vision

- Need for data availability and standard use cases for testing and experimentation, as is the case in other fields such as image processing and natural language applications
- Need approaches that integrate networking domain knowledge with AI/ML algorithmic solutions for scalability and reliability
- Need for algorithms with high sample efficiency to deal with limited data sets and requirements for fast control loops
- We need to close gap for interpretability and trust
- Vulnerability and susceptibility to adversarial attacks
- Role of standardization

Progress Update Since June Meeting

- Have been hosting bi-weekly working group (WGs) meeting
 - Every other Thursday 6:00 P.M. ET
 - EAP, Security WGs have presented
- Conducted a survey of AI/ML stacks in Open Source
- Identified Emerging Solutions
- Developed architecture for 5G AI/ML E2E Operations
- New Members were reviewed and accepted
 - On-going process of integration
- Draft version of AI/ML White Paper has been posted for review
 - Working in progress version being updated regularly
- Hosted IEEE AI/ML Workshop at IEEE 5G World Forum 2020
 - <https://ieee-wf-5g.org/ai-ml-track/>

AI/ML Stacks in Open Source



Development Stack Technologies

- **Libraries:** NumPy, OpenCV, OpenNMT
- **Languages:** Python, AIML, LISP, Haskell, R, Pyro
- **IDE:** PyCharm, VS Code, MATLAB, Jupyter
- **Workflows:** Acumos AI, Jupyter, Anaconda, ONNX, Marquez, Milvus, NNStreamer, Sparklyr
- **Visualization:** MATLAB, Seaborn, Facets, Tableau, Jupyter, Marquez
- **Full stack solutions:** Driverless AI

Infrastructure Stack Technologies

- **Compute:** VM, Containers, GPUs
- **Compilers:** NNVM, TVM
- **Data:** SQL, NoSQL, Spark, Tableau
- **Algorithms:** Supervised, Unsupervised, Reinforced
- **ML Frameworks:** CNTK, Tensorflow, MXNET, Caffe2, Scikit-learn, Keras, PyTorch
- **Learning / Training Toolkits:** Horovod, Ludwig, Adlik, Elastic Deep Learning, ForestFlow
- **Full stack solutions:** Angel ML

Emerging Solutions

- Transfer Learning, Multitask Learning, Meta Learning
 - Small data
 - Improved sample efficiency
- Federated Machine Learning
 - Distributed Data
 - Private Data
- Auto-ML
- Robust Learning to Adversarial Attacks
- Energy-Efficient Machine Learning
- Quantum Machine Learning
- Time-Aware Machine Intelligence

5G AI/ML E2E Operations

UE APP



Mobile



AR/VR User



Drone



Autonomous Vehicles



Factory Robot

- New 5G services vary in terms of required QoS
- AI and ML powered operations enable predictive 5G service slice performance monitoring, and automatic adaptation
- By observing data patterns from all service slice components AI/ML is able to predict Service Slice degradation before it occurs and isolate specific contributing factors. Learning from previous policy executions, it recommends actions that yield the most positive outcome
- With the complexity of 5G services and the demand to support mission-critical, AI/ML and automation is essential, to provide data-driven and predictive operations

SL: Supervised Learning
USL: Unsupervised Learning
DL: Deep Learning
RL: Reinforcement Learning
FL: Federated Learning

ML Actuation

Application

Hybrid Cloud Controller

ML Training/Inference

Data Collection

Central Controller

SL, USL, DL, RL, FL

ML Training/Inference

Data Collection

Model Deployment

Data Collection

Regional Controller

SL, USL, RL, FL

ML Training/Inference Host

Data Collection

Data Collection

Local Controller
SL, RL, USL, FL

ML Inference Host

Model Deployment

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AWS Wavelength
Azure Edge Zones
GCP Anthos
Telco Edge

eMBB slice

mMTC slice

URLLC slice

Access

Edge

5G Core

Cloud

RAN, Fixed

Azure, AWS, GCP

Hierarchical Orchestration and Management

Next Steps

- Meet with other WGs, discuss challenges and solutions to meet needs
- Foster active participation from group members and add new members
- Continue to host periodic Working Groups Meetings
- Continue to work on the AI/ML white paper
- Organize future AI/ML Workshops, Conferences
- AI/ML Webinars and Podcasts
- Explore Academia and Standards Engagement
- Promote sharing of data and baseline cases for testing and improvements

Get involved!

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We look forward to active contributions from
existing and new members, in particular, on the
white paper



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QUESTIONS?