



The bridge to possible

Building an Enterprise-Class AI/ML Infrastructure for MLOps

Using Cisco UCS, NVIDIA GPUs, and Red Hat OpenShift AI

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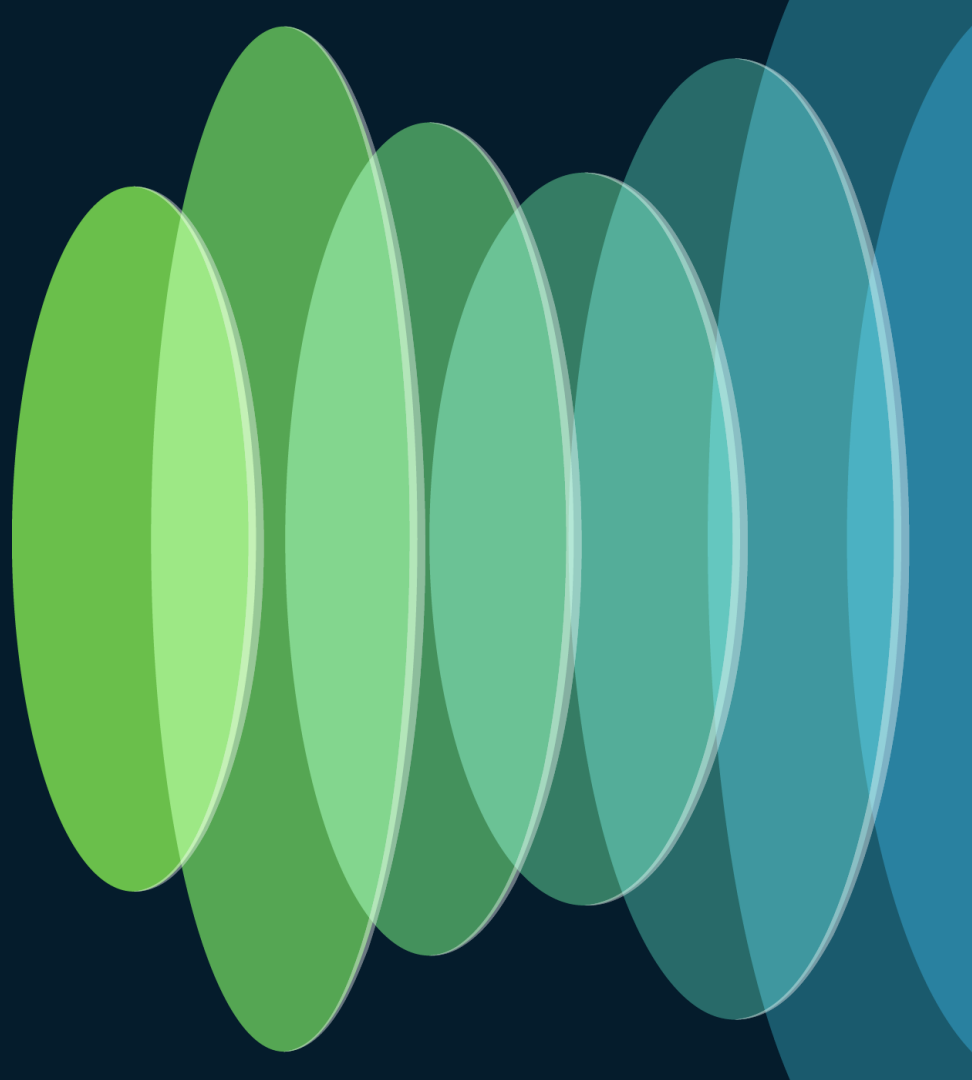




Agenda

- MLOps
- Infrastructure Considerations
- Building AI/ML Infrastructure
- Demo (offline)
- Wrap-up

MLOps

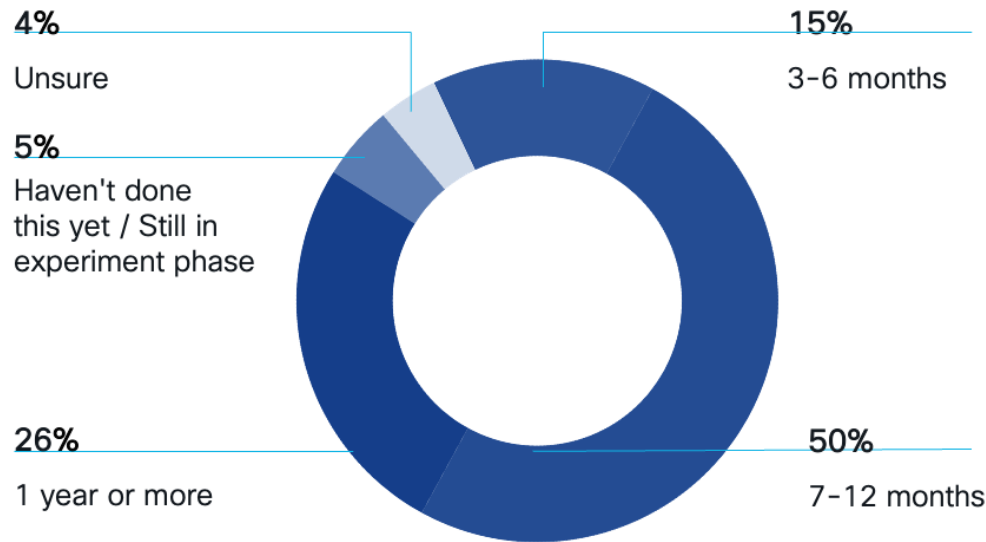


Why MLOps?

Operationalizing AI is challenging

What is the average AI/ML timeline from idea to operationalizing the model?

Half of respondents (50%) say their average AI/ML timeline from idea to operationalizing the model is 7-12 months.

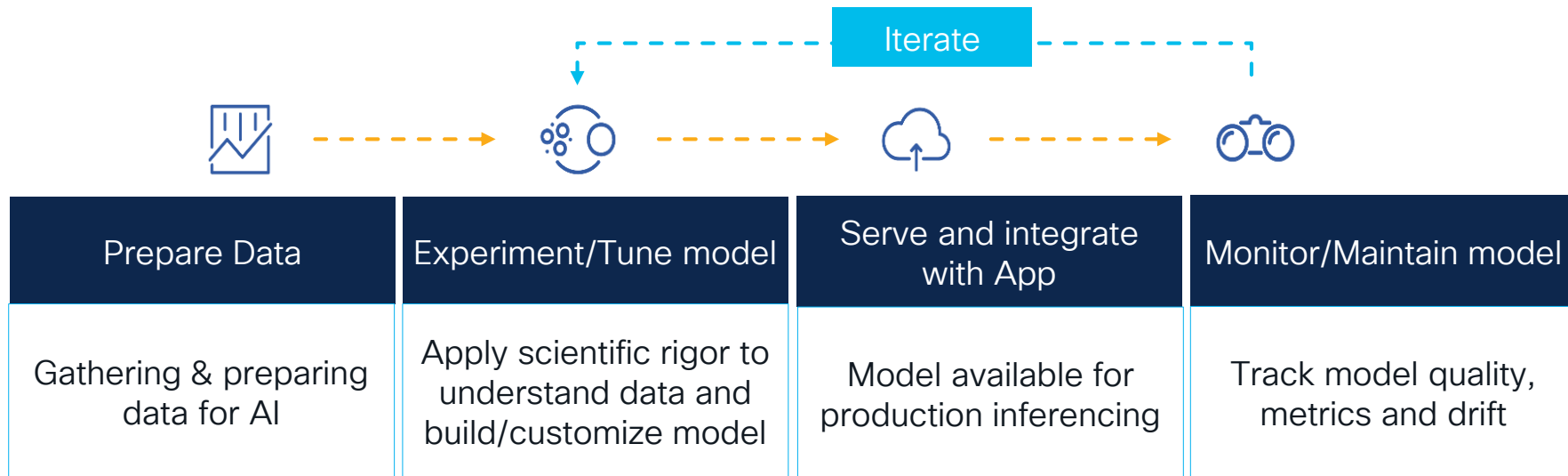


Gartner estimates, on average, 54% of AI projects make it from pilot to production

Model Delivery Lifecycle

Streamline and scale using MLOps

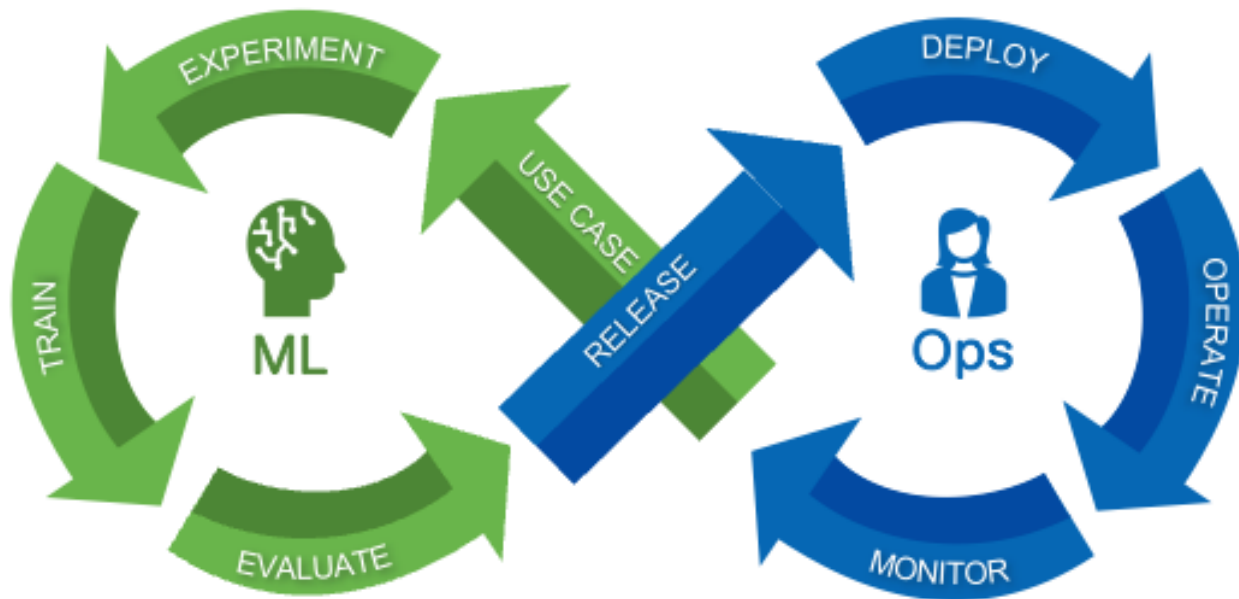
Scalability
Governance
Efficiency
Reliability
Adaptability



Pace of AI/ML technology shifts require a strong foundation to adapt

What is MLOps?

Foundation for success



Automation

Version Control

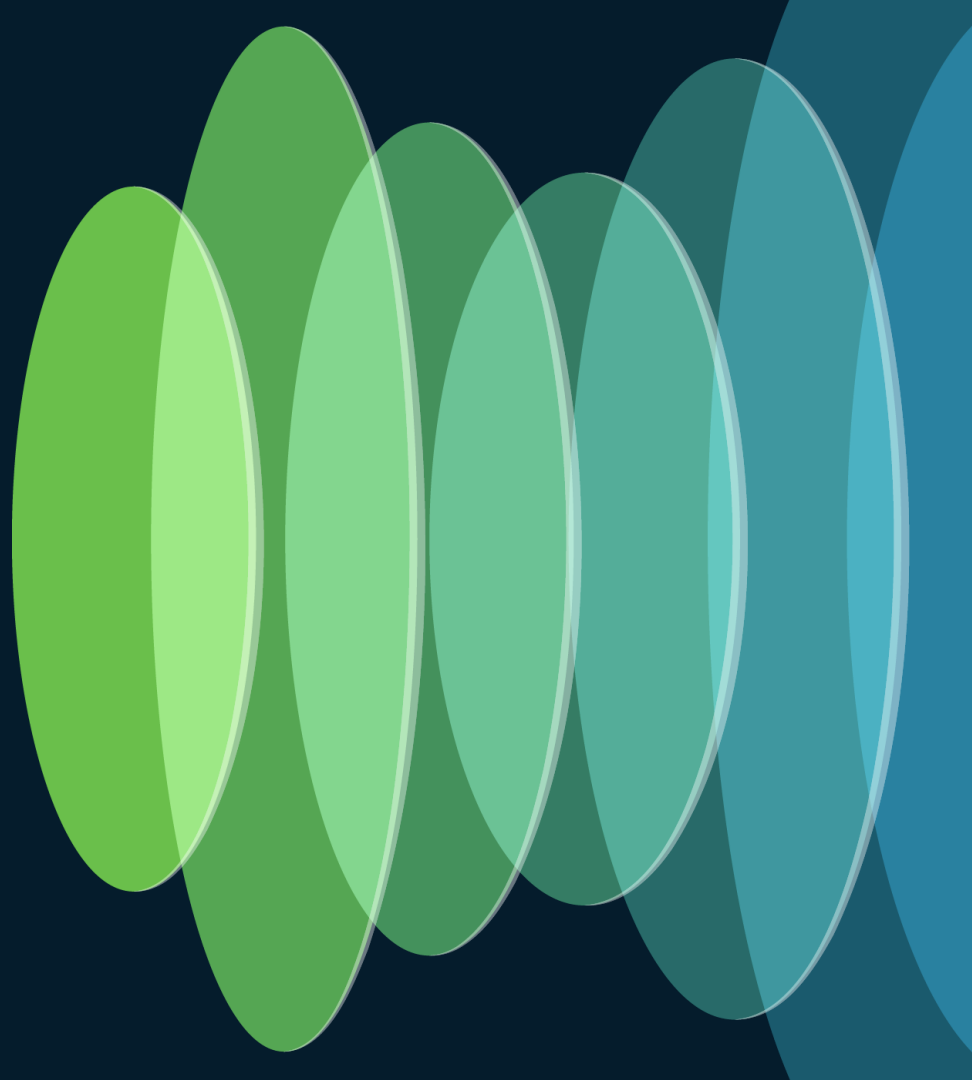
CI/CD

Collaboration

Accelerate

Simplify

Infrastructure Considerations



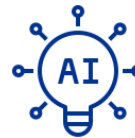


Complementary Pillars of AI



Predictive AI

- Uses historical data to make statistical predictions on future outcomes
- Range of techniques from predictive analytics to ML and DL algorithms
- Fraud detection, risk assessment, anomaly detection, forecasting, recommendation systems, customer behavior prediction
- Delivering value today...and indispensable for organizations
- ~100M parameter range



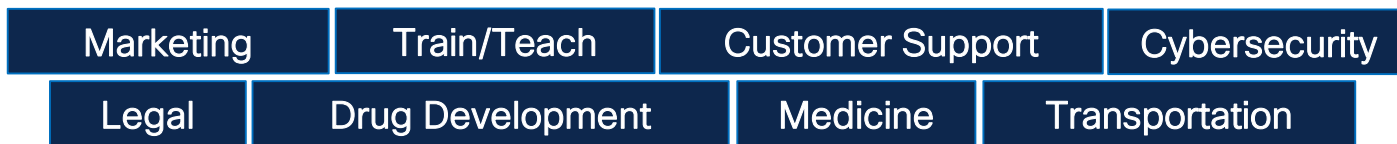
Generative AI

- Generalizes patterns seen before to predict and generate multimodal content (ChatGPT, DALL-E)
- Transformative with unparalleled potential
- Popular model categories: Transformer models (GPT, BERT) and Stable Diffusion
- Large Language Models (LLMs) are significantly larger and resource-intensive than other ML models
- ~1B+ parameter range

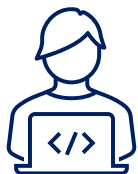
Use Cases

Range of applications and verticals

Application Use Cases



LLM Use Cases



Code
Generation



Text
Summarization



Question/
Answering



Content
Generation



Text
Translation



Speech
Recognition

Large Language Models (LLMs)

Limitations for enterprise use

Hallucination

Can make stuff up, always has an answer

Sources

Where did the information come from ?

Outdated

Models maybe stale as quickly as it is released

Customize

Cannot personalize or use more current data

Update

Cannot edit the model to remove/change data

Training LLMs

Resource-Intensive and costly

Large Language Models are...



Pre-trained on a large corpus of publicly available unlabeled data



Training takes 1000s of GPUs over a span of months



Requires periodic re-training to stay up to date

GPT-3 Large – 175B parameters

- Training Set Tokens: 300B
- Vocabulary Size: ~50k
- Number of GPUs: 10k x V100
- Training Time: One Month

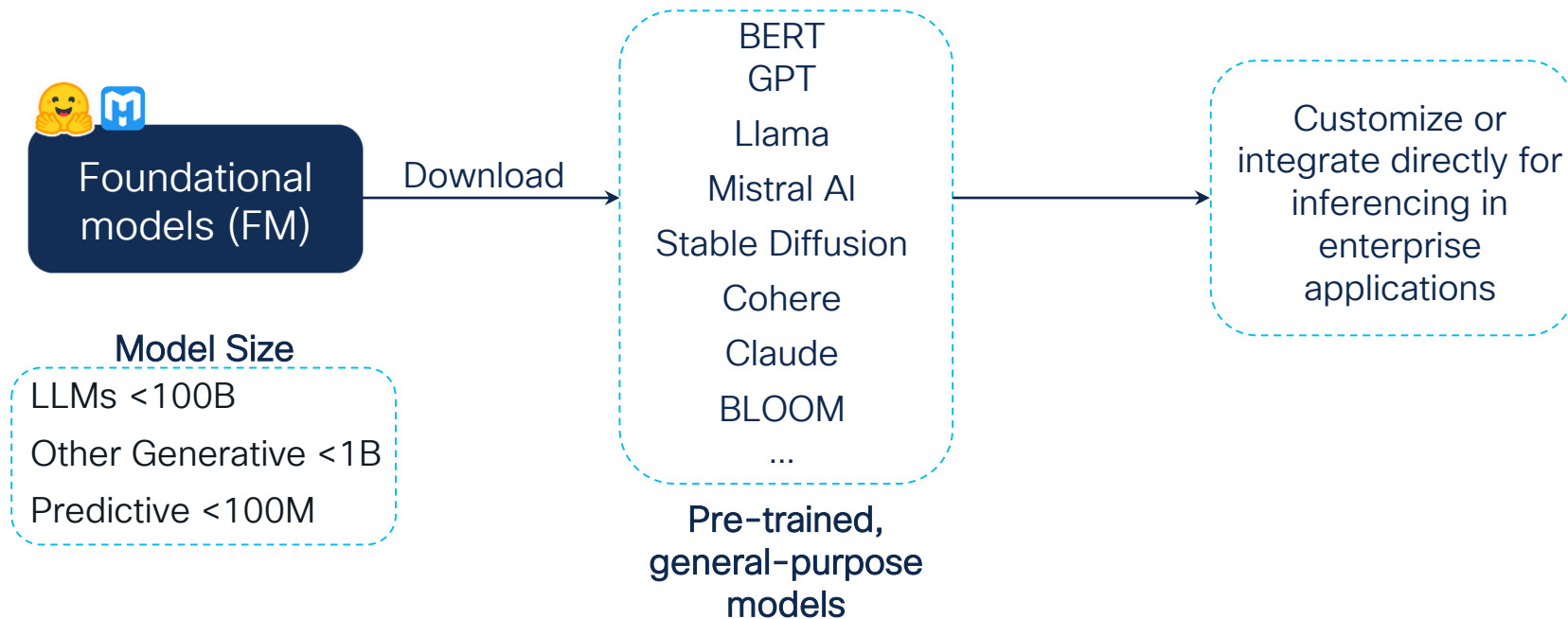
Llama – 65B parameters

- Training Set Tokens: ~1-1.3T
- Vocabulary Size: ~32k
- Number of GPUs: 2048 x A100
- Training Time: 21 Days

Building LLMs from scratch is cost-prohibitive for the average Enterprise

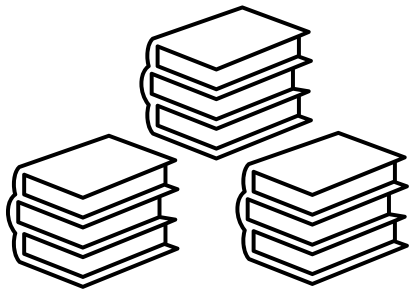
Use Foundational Models

Starting point for most Enterprises



LLMs lack domain knowledge

Limitations for enterprise use



Massive amount of
general knowledge
based on patterns seen
during training

LLMs have broad knowledge
but lack **domain-specific**
knowledge

Customizing LLMs

To address LLM limitations

Adaptation Techniques

Fine-Tuning

Parameter
Efficient Tuning

Changes what the model knows

Prompt
Engineering

Retrieval
Augmented
Generation

Provides context as input to the model @Inference



Fine-tuning

- Adapts model for specific-tasks
- Updates model parameters
- Smaller dataset, less resources



Parameter-Efficient Fine Tuning

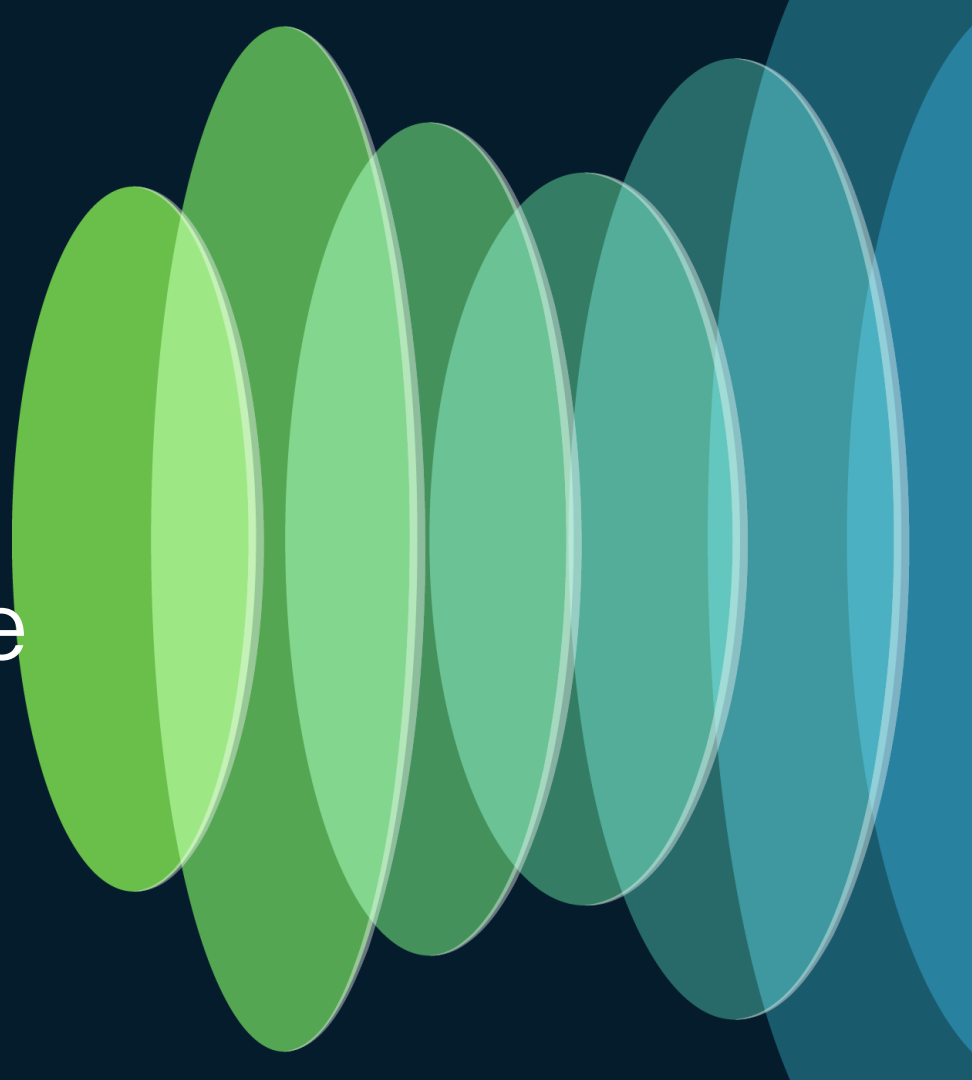
- Fine-tunes a subset of the model parameters
- Examples: LoRA, Prefix Tuning



RAG, Prompt Engineering (PE)

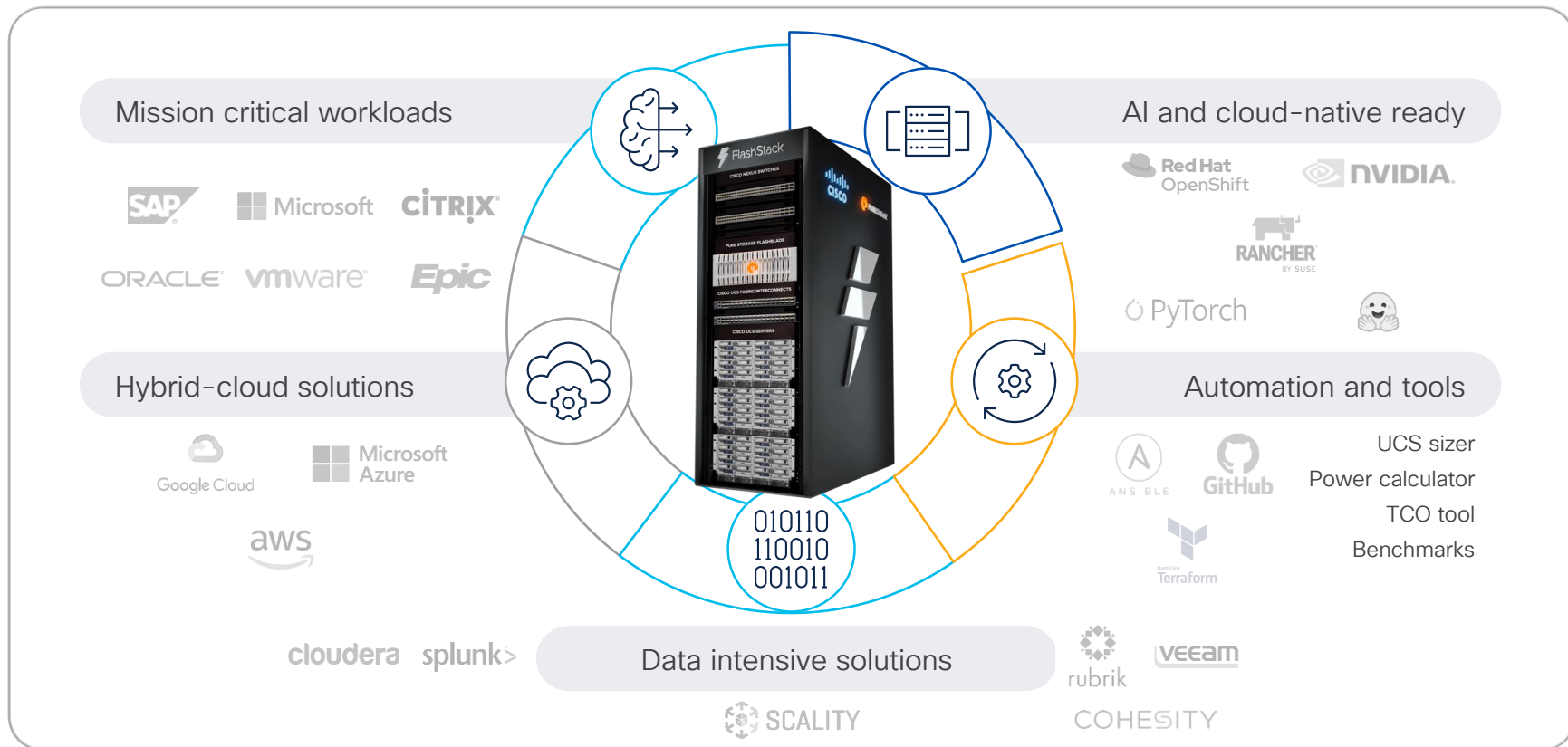
- RAG: Add external data sources to LLM inferencing as context
- PE: Uses prompts for better output

Building an Enterprise-class AI/ML Infrastructure



Cisco Solution Portfolio

Full Stack Solutions delivering best-in-class value to our customers



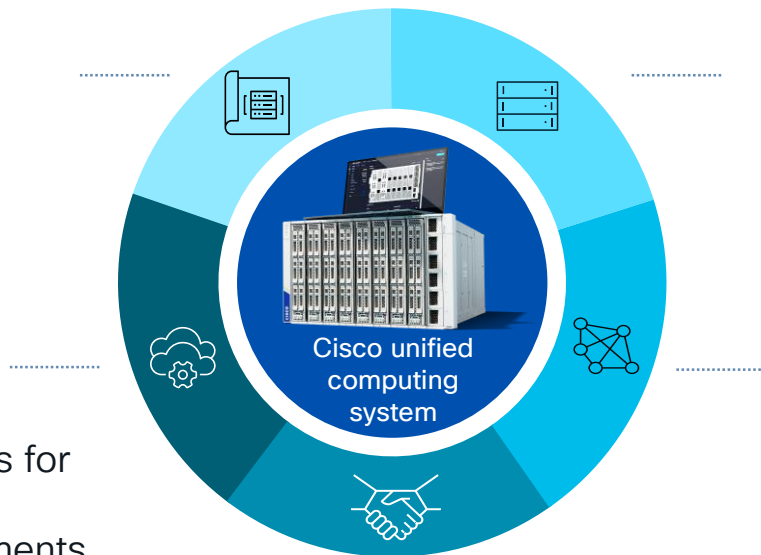
Cisco Validated Designs (CVD)

Accelerate

Ready to 'Go'
solutions for faster
time to value

Less risk

Reduce risk with
tested architectures for
standardized,
repeatable deployments



Expert Guidance

CVDs provide everything
from system designs to
implementation guides, and
ansible automation

Cisco TAC support

Single point of contact for
solution. Cisco will
coordinate with partners as
needed to resolve issues

CVDs for AI/ML Infrastructure

1 Cisco Validated Designs for Simplified AI Infrastructure



NVIDIA AI
Enterprise



Red Hat
OpenShift AI



GPT-in-a-box
on Nutanix
Hyperconverged



Gen-AI with
Cloudera
Data Platform



2 Curated playbooks to automate base infra deployments



Cisco Intersight



ANSIBLE

AI Solution Roadmap

Key



Completed



In progress



Planned

CISCO VALIDATED DESIGN

DESCRIPTION

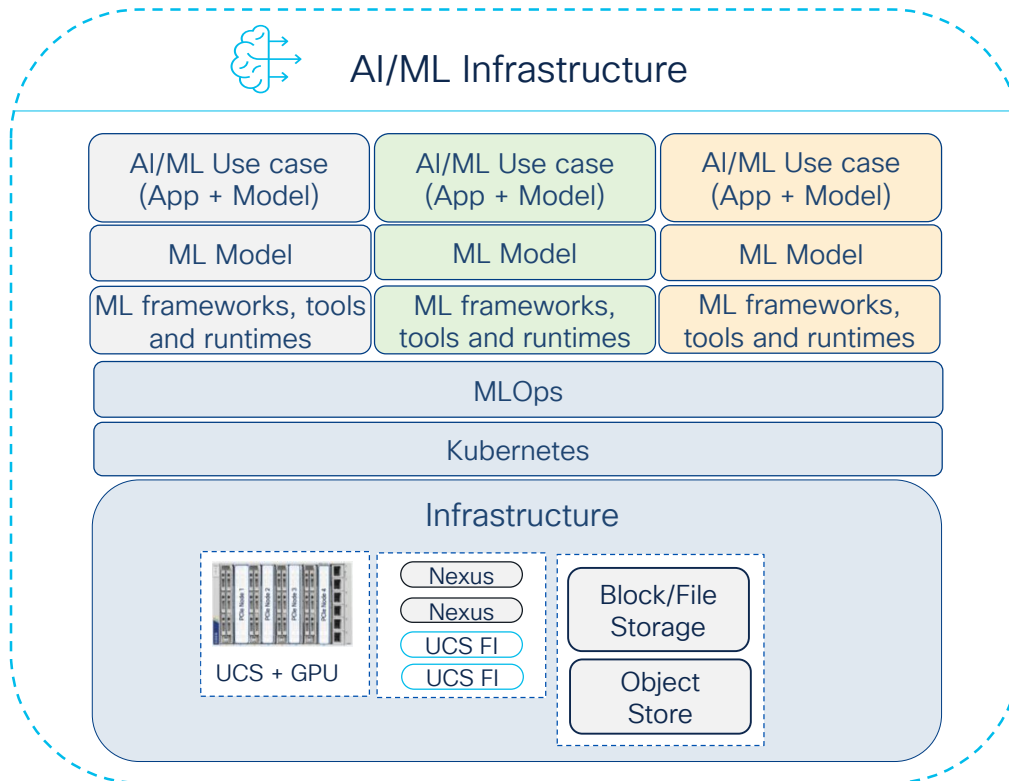
AVAILABILITY

Scaling FlexPod for GPU intensive Apps	Sizing guide for AI infrastructure leveraging real-life model simulations	<div></div>
FlexPod with SUSE Rancher for AI Workloads	Foundational architecture for general-purpose AI deployments	<div></div>
FlashStack with Red Hat OpenShift and NVIDIA AI Enterprise	Blueprint for deployment of Generative AI models for inferencing along with performance metrics	<div></div>
FlexPod with Red Hat OpenShift and NVIDIA AI Enterprise		<div></div>
FlashStack for MLOps using Red Hat OpenShift AI	Architecture to operationalize end-to-end AI workflow i.e., data prep, train, test & deploy, using Red Hat OpenShift AI	<div></div>
FlexPod for MLOps using Red Hat OpenShift AI		<div>Q3 CY24</div>
Cisco UCS and Red Hat OpenShift AI with Intel AI Enterprise Platform		<div></div>
AI Solution for the Enterprise with Cloudera Data Platform	Integrated architecture for AI combining data lake, compute farm & storage services	<div>Q2 CY24</div>
Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) with Cisco Converged Infrastructures	Framework for enterprise-specific knowledge augmentation in LMMs	<div>Q3 CY24</div>
Intel AI Enterprise with Cisco Converged Infrastructures	AI deployment guide with Intel GPUs and Intel AI inferencing software suite	<div>Q3 CY24</div>
Generative Pre-trained Transformers (GPT) with Nutanix	AI-ready HCI architecture to fine-tune and deploy LLMs	<div>Q2 CY24</div>
Edge Inferencing Solution on UCS Edge Platform	Blueprint for deployment of AI models for inferencing in edge environments	TBD
Secure by Design – Confidential AI with FlexPod	Zero-trust framework for AI deployments	TBD

AI/ML Infrastructure

High-level Architecture

Generative AI and Predictive AI Use Cases



ML Infrastructure Design – Compute

For inferencing, training/fine-tuning (smaller datasets), and other workloads



Cisco UCS

UCS rack and blade server providing a range of flexible and modular options including NVIDIA GPUs, Intel CPUs and AMD in the future

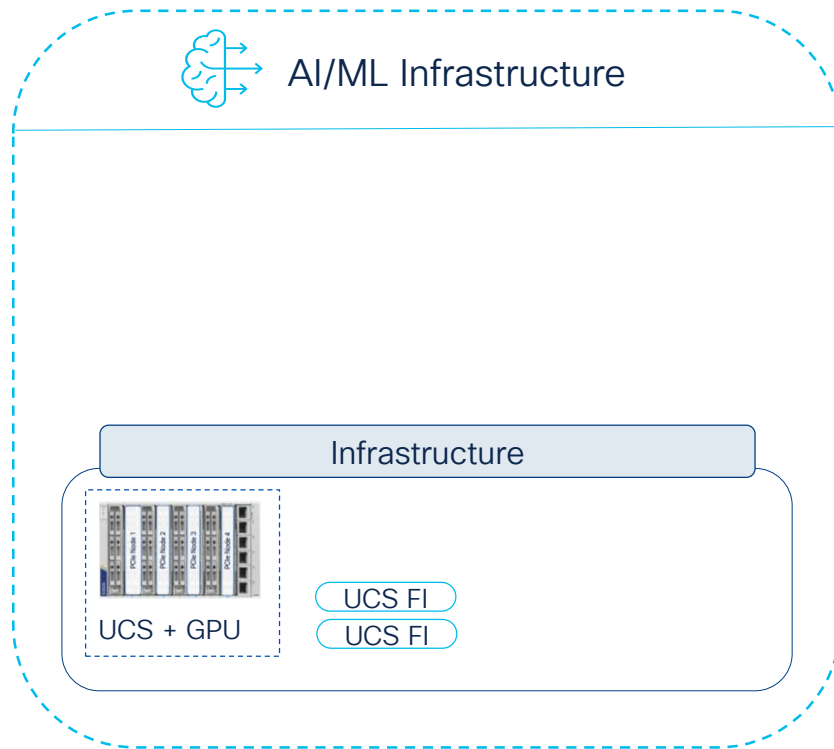


Cisco Intersight

SaaS platform enabling software-defined compute and cloud-based infrastructure management from data center to edge locations



AI/ML Infrastructure



Modular architecture

Ideal for AI component evolution

\$49B

Global spending on data center construction by 2030



Investment preservation

- Convenience to upgrade or replace individual parts without overhauling the entire system
- Reduces cost and ensures that initial investments remain valuable over time



Multi-vendor support

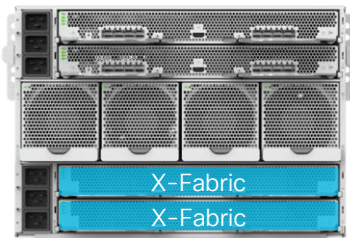
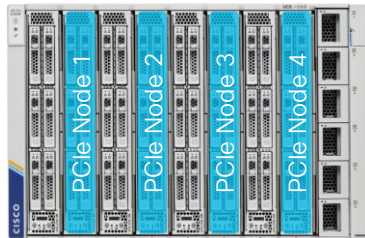
- Can select components from different vendors
- Best example is within CPU as you can move from Intel AMX to NVIDIA GPU A100 and then H100, or AMD in the future



Management & Upgradability

- Keep your technology stack current, adaptable, and competitive
- Cisco Intersight is a SaaS-based provides cloud-scale management from DC to edge

Modularity on X-Series



X-Series modular system decouples the lifecycles of CPU, GPU, memory, storage and fabrics – providing a perpetual architecture that efficiently brings you the latest innovations.



Cloud-powered composability with Cisco Intersight

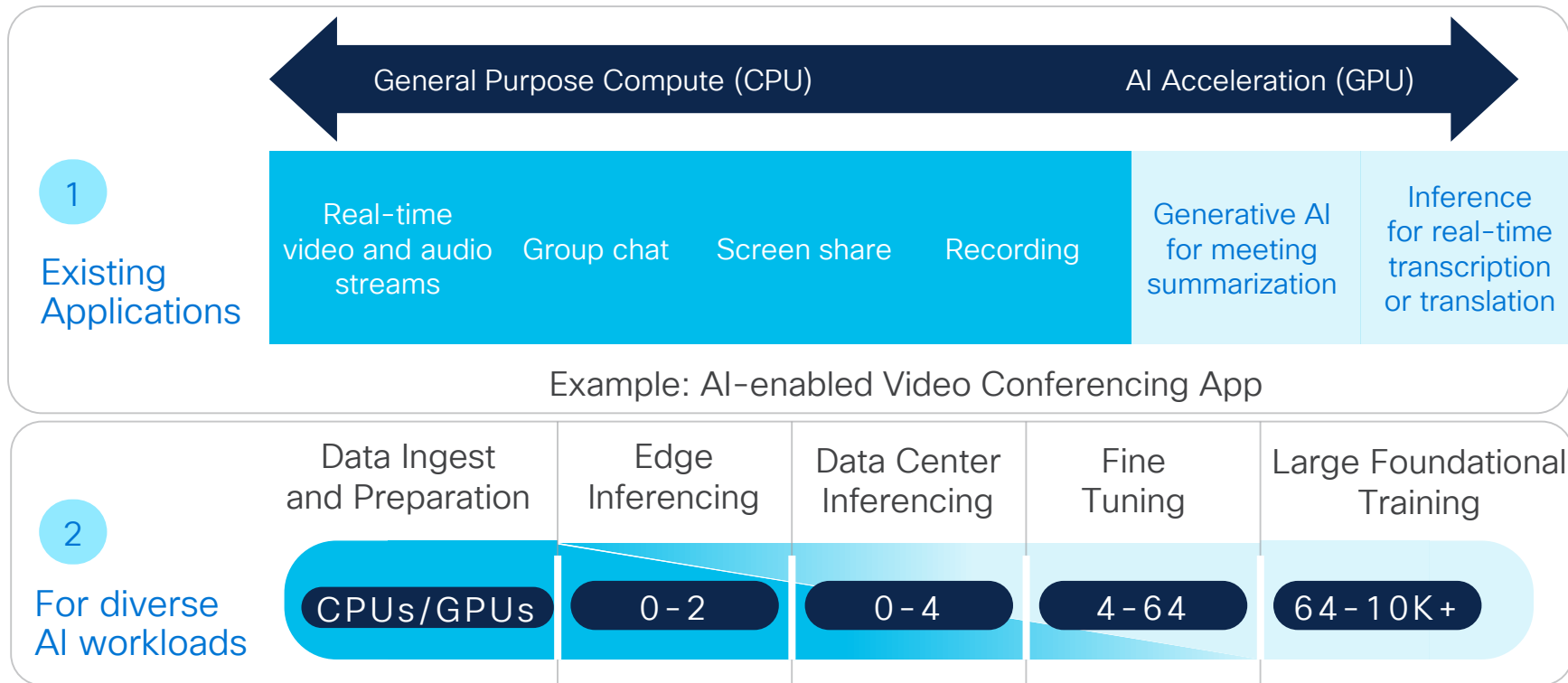


Flexible GPU acceleration across server nodes



No backplane or cables = easily upgrades

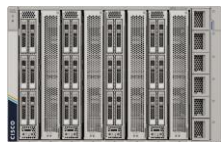
Flexible Acceleration



Cisco GPU Acceleration Options

Flexible Acceleration

X-Series



Up to 24x HHHL GPUs or
8x FHFL GPUs per X9508 chassis



Plan (Q3'24)

X210c M6/M7 2S Blades

2x NVIDIA T4 (MEZZ)

X210c M7 2S Blade (Q2'24)

Intel Flex140 (MEZZ)

X210c M7 2S Blade (Q3'24)

NVIDIA L4 (MEZZ)

X215c M8 2S Blade (Q3'24)

NVIDIA L4 (MEZZ)

X440p + X210c M6/M7

4x NVIDIA T4 (M6 Only)

2x NVIDIA A16

2x NVIDIA A40

2 x NVIDIA A100-80

X440p + M7 (X210c & X410c)

2x NVIDIA H100-80

2x NVIDIA L40

4x NVIDIA L4

2x NVIDIA L40S

X440p + M7 (X210c & X410c)

4x Intel Flex140

2x Intel Flex170

X440p + X210c M7

2x NVIDIA H100-NVL

X440p + X215c M8 AMD

2x NVIDIA H100-NVL

2x AMD MI210

4x NVIDIA L4

2x NVIDIA L40S

2x NVIDIA L40

2x NVIDIA A16

C-Series Rack Servers

C240 M6 INTEL
C245 M6 AMD



5x NVIDIA A10

3x NVIDIA A16

3x NVIDIA A30

3x NVIDIA A40

3x NVIDIA A100-80

8x NVIDIA L4

(C240 M6 only)

C240 M7 INTEL



3x NVIDIA A16

3x NVIDIA A30

3x NVIDIA A40

3x NVIDIA A100-80

2x NVIDIA H100-80

3x NVIDIA L40

8x NVIDIA L4

2x NVIDIA L40S

5x Intel Flex140

3x Intel Flex170

C220 M6 INTEL



3x NVIDIA T4

3x NVIDIA L4

C225 M6 AMD



3x NVIDIA T4

C220 M7 INTEL



3x NVIDIA L4

3x Intel Flex140

C245 M8 AMD



Plan (2H'24)

NVIDIA H100-80

NVIDIA L40S

NVIDIA L40

NVIDIA L4

NVIDIA H100-NVL

NVIDIA A16

AMD MI210

C225 M8 AMD



Plan (2H'24)

3x NVIDIA L4

Plans subject to change

Please Refer to the Server Specifications and HCL for detailed configuration support:

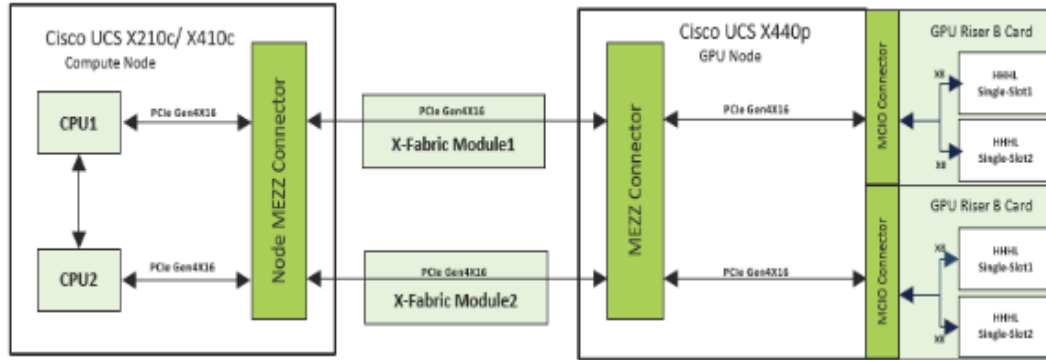
C-Series: <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/servers-unified-computing/ucs-c-series-rack-servers/series.html#-tab-documents>

X-Series: <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/servers-unified-computing/ucs-x-series-modular-system/series.html#-tab-documents>

UCS HCL: <https://ucshcltool.cloudapps.cisco.com/public/>

X-fabric + GPUs

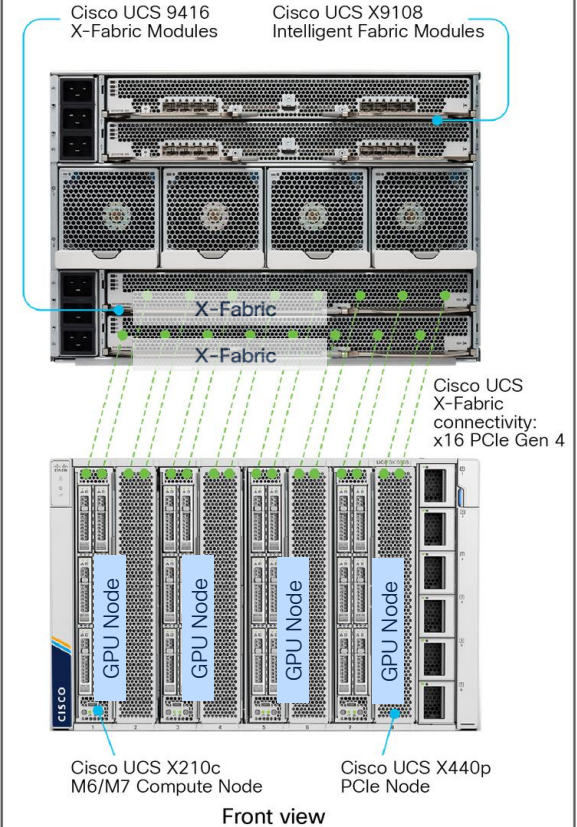
- Each X440p is paired with a compute node in adjacent slot
- X-fabric provides PCIe Gen4 connectivity from server to GPU node (1:1 mapping)



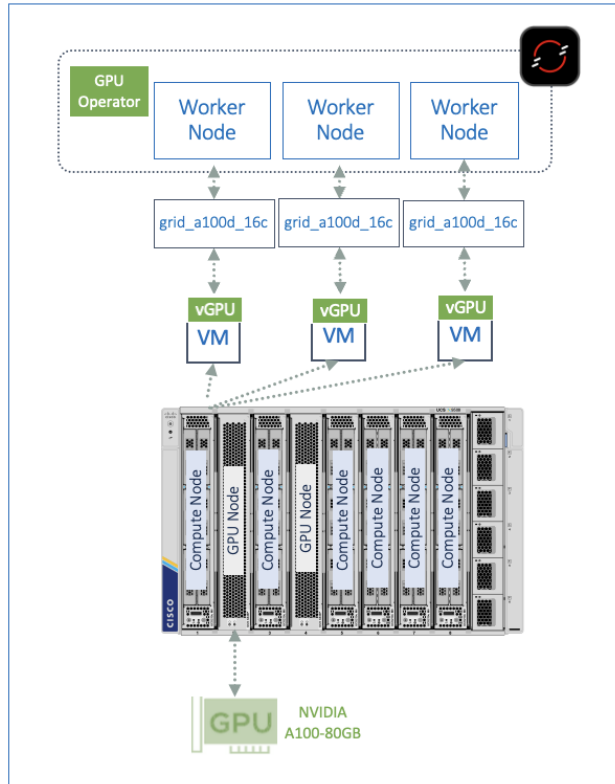
Scales up to:

960 cores per chassis
24 GPUs per chassis
200 Gbps to compute node
1-PB storage per chassis
~1600 Gbps aggregate bandwidth per chassis

Cisco UCS X9508 Modular System Chassis (rear view)



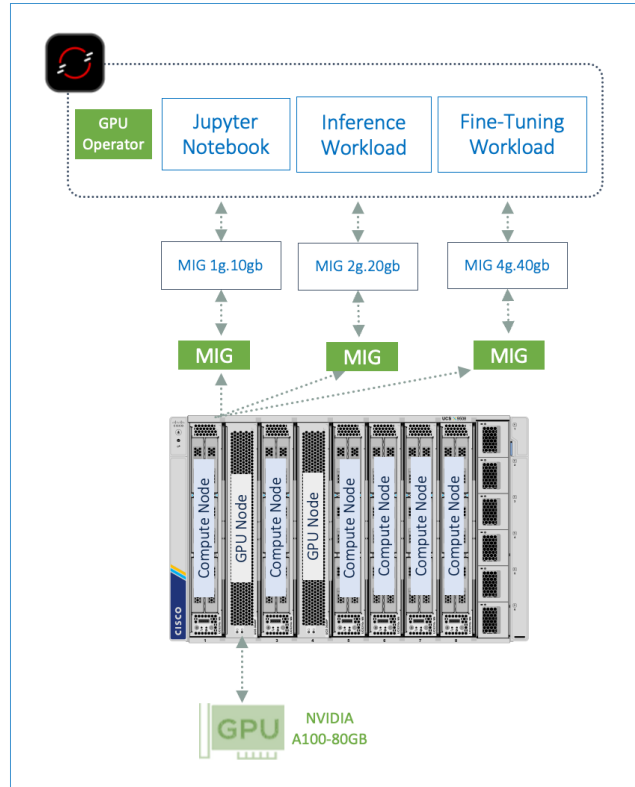
GPU Slicing – vGPU



NVIDIA vGPU Profile	Memory Buffer (MB)	Number of vGPUs per GPU
grid-a100d-80c	81920	1
grid-a100d-40c	40960	2
grid-a100d-20c	20480	4
grid-a100d-16c	16384	5
grid-a100d-10c	10240	8
grid-a100d-8c	8192	10
grid-a100d-4c	4096	20

- Memory isolation between instances but share compute
- Alternative to vGPU: GPU passthrough
- Can deploy Multi-Instance GPU (MIG) on vGPU instances

GPU Slicing – MIG

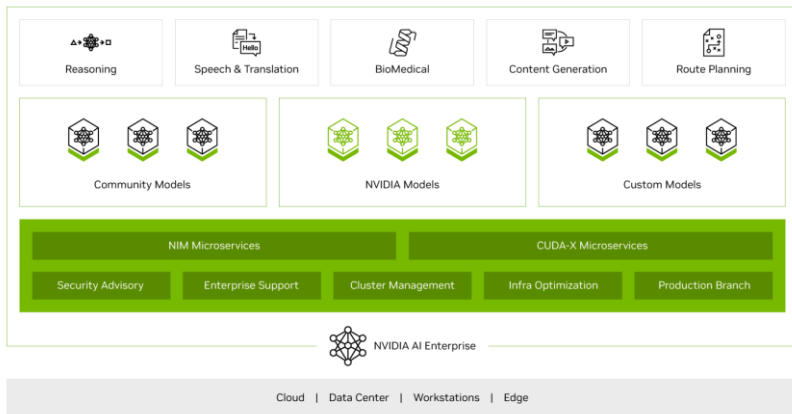


MIG Profile (A100-80)	GPU Instance – Memory (MB)	GPU Instance – SM Fraction	Number of GPU Instances	Compute Instances
MIG 7g.80gb	81920	7/7	1	7
MIG 4g.40gb	40960	4/7	1	4
MIG 3g.40gb	40960	3/7	2	3
MIG 2g.20gb	20480	2/7	3	2
MIG 1g.10gb	10240	1/7	7	1

- Multi-Instance GPU (MIG) – securely partitions up to 7 instances with isolation
- Can be further partitioned into **compute** instances
- Ampere (A100, H100) architecture onwards
- Bare-metal, VMs (GPU pass-through, vGPUs)

NVIDIA AI Enterprise (NVAIE)

NVIDIA GPU Licensing



- Required for all GPUs except for H100
- Enables support for features and services (NIM)
- Throttle GPU performance if not licensed
- Use any ML stack with NVIDIA GPUs

NVIDIA GPU Options for AI/ML workloads

Single GPU AI + HPC Secure Multi-Instance GPU



AI Training and Inference



HPC + Data Analytics



Confidential Compute MIG

Up to 2 GPUs per node
Up to 7 MIG Instances per node
Up to 8 vCPU cores per MIG

UCSC/X-GPU-H100-80
H100

350W | 80G | Gen5
2-slot FHFL

Fastest Universal AI + Graphics Text to Image/Video



Text to Image/Video AI
Multi-modal Generative AI



DL Training + Inference



Omniverse + Gen AI

Up to 2 GPUs per node
Fastest RT Graphics
Largest Render Models

UCSC/X-GPU-L40S
L40S

350W | 48G | Gen4
2-slot FHFL

Highest Perf Compute AI, HPC, Data Processing



DL Training



Scientific Research



Data Analytics

Fastest Compute, FP64
Up to 7 MIG instances

UCSC/X-GPU-A100-80
A100

300W | 80G | Gen4
2-slot FHFL

Sizing for Inferencing



LLM Inference – Estimating Memory

How much memory does my model need?



For a given precision: FP32, FP16, TF16...

- Model Memory

Precision in Bytes x # of parameters (P)



Example: Llama2 – 13B parameters

- Model Memory:

13 billion x 2Bytes/parameter = 26GB

LLM Inference – Estimating Memory

How much memory does my model need?



For a given precision: FP32, FP16, TF16...

- Memory (Inference)
Model Memory + ~20% overhead



Example: Llama2 – 13B parameters

- Memory (Inference):
26GB + 20% overhead = 31.2GB

LLM Inference – Estimating Memory

How much memory does my model need?



For a given precision: FP32, FP16, TF16...

- Memory (**Training**)
 - Model Memory
 - + Optimiser Memory
 - + Activation Memory
 - + Gradient Memory



Example: Llama2 – **13B** parameters

- Memory (**Training**):
 - Model Memory (26GB)
 - + Optimizer (4/6/12B/parameter * P)
 - + Gradient (2/4B/parameter * P)
 - + Activation $((2 * P - 4 * P) * \text{Dataset (tokens)})$

Hugging Face Model Memory Calculator (Training & Inferencing):

https://huggingface.co/docs/accelerate/main/en/usage_guides/model_size_estimator

LLM Inference - GPU Estimation

Which GPU do I use?

Based on model memory, number of GPUs needed to load a 13B parameter model = any GPU with at least 32 GB

Similarly, a 70B parameter model, would require:
~2 A100-80 GPUs (168GB/80GB)

GPU Model	Memory (GB)	Memory Bandwidth (GB/s)	FP16 Tensor Core (TFLOP/s)
H100	80	2000	756
A100	80	1935	312
L40s	48	864	362
L4	24	300	121

LLM Inference Performance

How many GPUs do I need for inference?

Use Case

- Determines model and minimum GPU
- CPU will also have an impact

Model architecture

- Impacts compute requirements per inference (TFLOPs)

Context Length

- Will depend on the model
- Use average token size or vary token lengths in tests

GPU performance

- Will depend on its performance (TFLOPS)
- Use tests to verify performance

LLM Inferencing Performance

Objective and Subjective

Latency

- Time to first token
- Total Generation Time
- Time to second/next time

Throughput

- Requests per second dependent on concurrency and total generation time
- Tokens per second is the standard measure (> 30 per second)

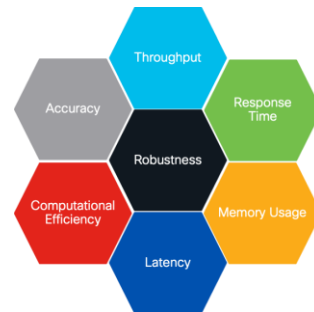
User experience – combination of low latency, throughput and accuracy

Prompt: What is Cisco UCS?

First Token

Cisco Unified Computing System (UCS) is a data center server computer product line composed of computing hardware, virtualization support, switching fabric, and management software. It was introduced by Cisco Systems in 2009.

43 Output Tokens



LLM Inference – Methodology

How many GPUs do I need for inference?

For a given model and inferencing runtime, **start** with enough GPUs to load the model based on memory sizing

Vary concurrent inference requests and measure throughput and latency metrics for a given token length (context)

Vary batch sizes and measure throughput and latency – maximizes compute for non-RT use cases

Add a second GPU and repeat concurrent inference request and batch size tests (as needed)

Monitor GPU compute and memory utilization, along with inferencing performance, across all tests

Select a configuration that optimally balances latency, throughput and cost

Sample Benchmark Results – A100-80 GPU

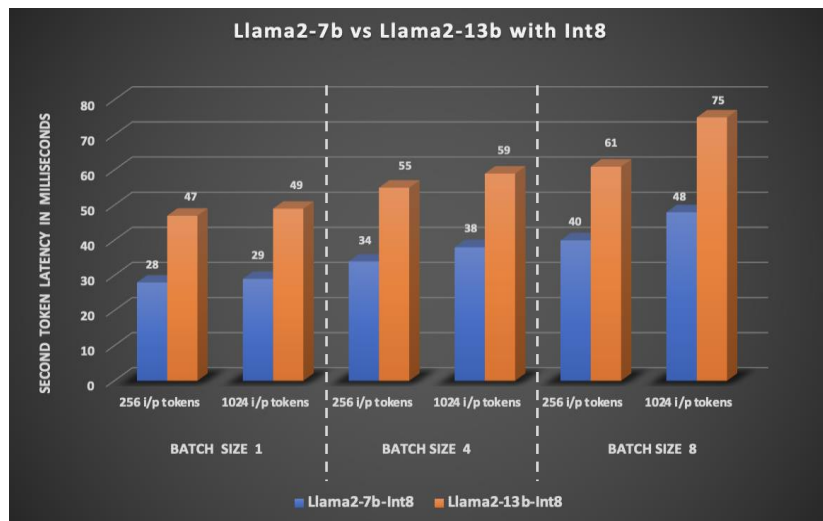
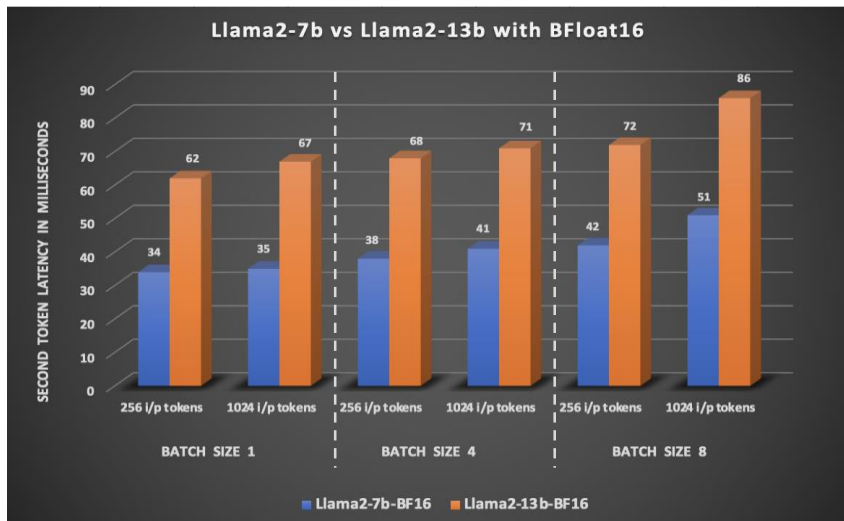
- Latency is higher as batch sizes increases
- For larger models
 - Latency is at least 2x higher
 - Throughput is at least 2x lower for larger models
- Latency is 2x or higher for larger models,

Inference performance from a user perspective needs to factor in the complete inferencing pipeline, including host cpu and memory

Model	Batch Size	Average Latency (ms)		Average Throughput (sentence/s)	
		1 GPU	2 GPUs	1 GPU	2 GPUs
Llama-2-7B-Chat	1	151.341	132.611	6.608	7.541
	2	156.135	143.724	12.809	13.916
	4	181.916	175.997	21.988	22.728
	8	231.947	254.829	34.491	31.394
Llama-2-13B-Chat	1	445.038	325.023	2.247	3.077
	2	464.125	357.096	4.309	5.601
	4	512.184	436.986	7.81	9.154
	8	604.336	551.75	13.238	14.499

Sample Benchmark Results – CPU

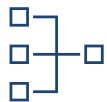
- Results for Intel's 5th Gen Xeon processor with built-in Intel AMX accelerator
- Results show before and after quantization
- Greater benefit with quantizing larger models, larger data size also improves accuracy and quality of output
- DeepSpeed enabled – optimization software for scaling and speeding up deep learning inference



***Hardware details** – Cisco UCS x210c M7 node, EMR CPU – 8568Y+ (48 cores), Memory – 1024GB, NVMe storage drive – 3.6TB

***Int8** – Int8 is weight-only quantized (WOQ) to balance performance and accuracy

ML Infrastructure Design – Network



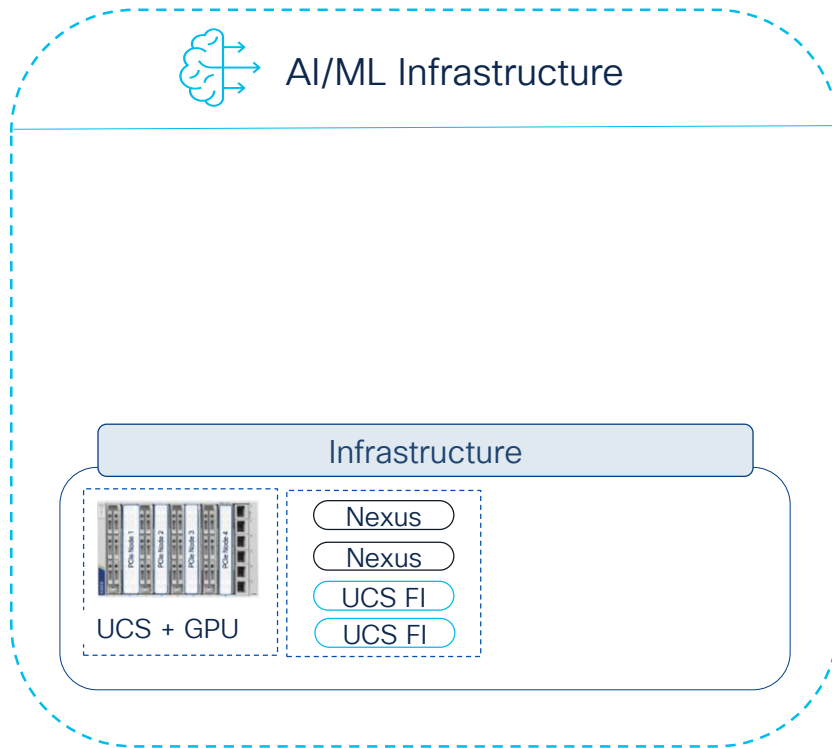
Cisco DC fabrics

Cisco ACI or VXLAN EVPN fabrics providing connectivity across top-of-racks that connect to compute and storage domains



Hyperscale Training Fabric

BGP and VXLAN EVPN based fabric, architected for dedicated training workloads



ML Infrastructure Design – Storage



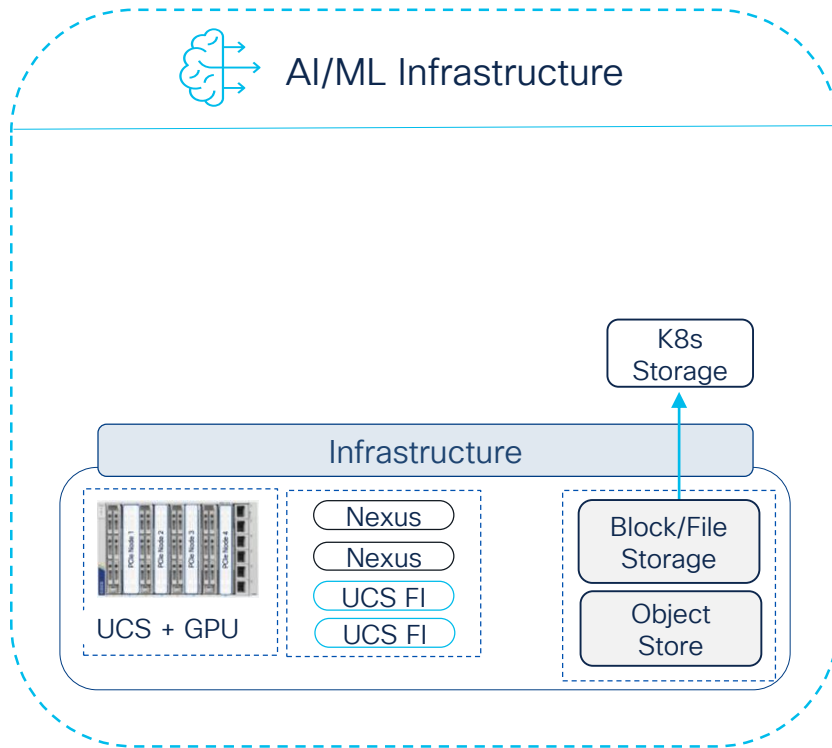
Storage Partners

Range of eco-system enterprise storage partners including NetApp, Pure Storage, etc.



Local Storage

UCS-X system can support ~1 PB of local storage that can be leveraged using software-defined solutions such as Red Hat OpenShift Data Foundation, Nutanix for smaller efforts



Solution Components

MLOps for FlashStack AI using Red Hat OpenShift AI



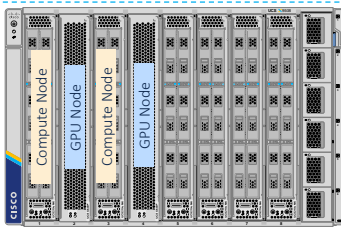
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+ UCS X210c M7 Server
+ UCSX 9108 100G IFM
+ UCS VIC15231 Adapter
+ UCSX 9416 X-fabric
+ UCSX 440P PCIe Node



NVIDIA
A100-80GB GPU



OpenShift AI



OpenShift



NVIDIA
NVIDIA AI Enterprise



portworx
by Pure Storage



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Ansible Automation
Platform



VMware
vSphere[®]



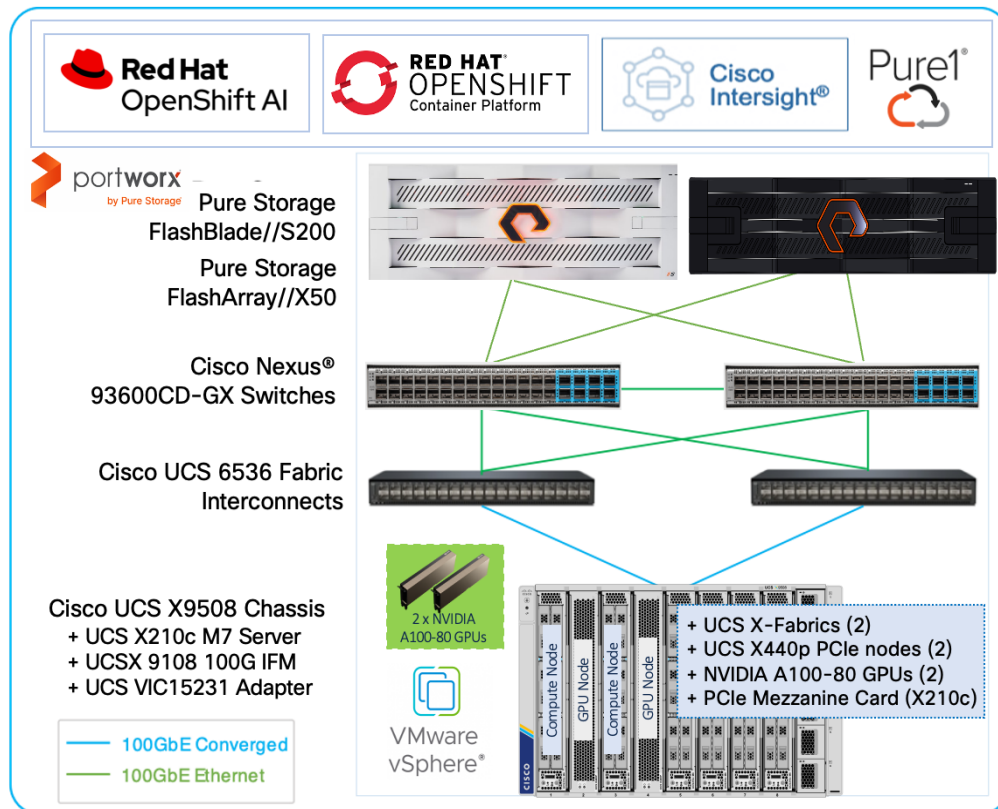
Pure Storage
FlashArray//X50 R4



Pure Storage
FlashBlade//S200

Physical Topology

MLOps for FlashStack AI using Red Hat OpenShift AI



ML Infrastructure Design – K8s



Kubernetes

ML ecosystem has embraced containers for its portability, ease, and auto-scaling capabilities



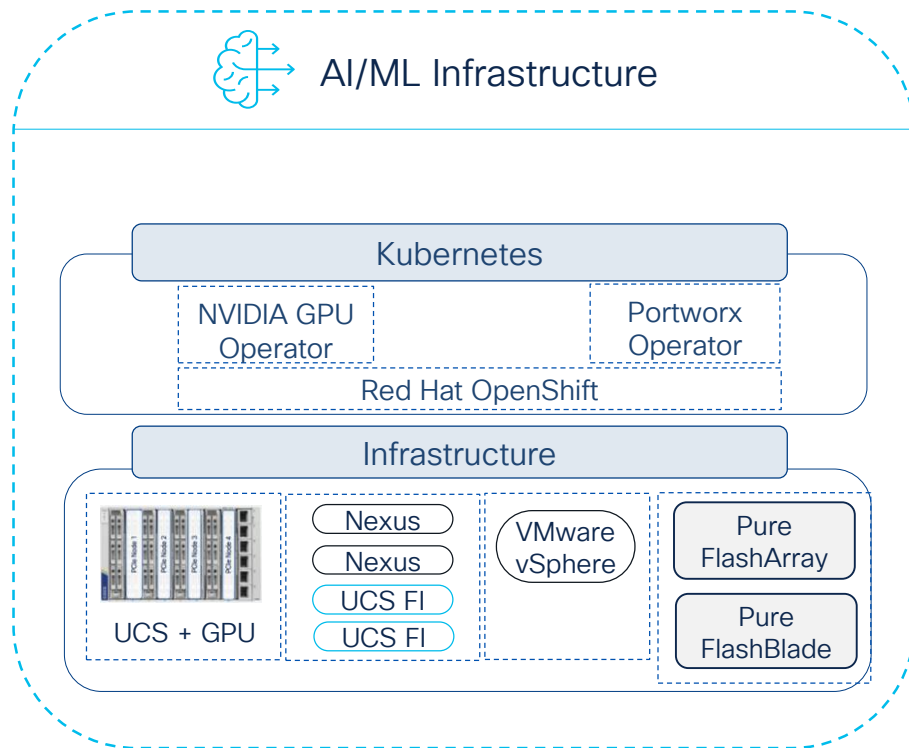
K8s Operators

Operators provide a framework to add new capabilities to K8s including NVIDIA GPU and storage CSI operators



Virtualization

VMware vSphere enables GPU virtualization and mgmt. ease



OpenShift Operators

NVIDIA GPU Operator


Automated the management of all NVIDIA software components required to use the GPU (drivers, DCGM, etc.)











Portworx Enterprise

Multi-cloud storage platform providing persistent storage with elastic scalability, with multiple storage backend options

Red Hat OpenShift AI

Provides a scalable foundation for AI/ML efforts to train, tune, serve, monitor and manage AI/ML experiments and models

**Red Hat OpenShift AI**
2.8.2 provided by Red Hat

 OpenShift Elasticsearch Operator 5.8.7 provided by Red Hat	 Kiali Operator 1.73.7 provided by Red Hat
 NVIDIA GPU Operator 23.9.2 provided by NVIDIA Corporation	 Node Feature Discovery Operator 4.13.0-202405141537 provided by Red Hat
 Red Hat OpenShift distributed tracing platform	 Red Hat OpenShift Pipelines 1.14.4 provided by Red Hat
 Red Hat OpenShift Serverless 1.32.1 provided by Red Hat	 Package Server 0.19.0 provided by Red Hat
 Red Hat OpenShift Service Mesh 2.5.1-0 provided by Red Hat, Inc.	 Portworx Enterprise 23.10.5 provided by Portworx

Worker Node Considerations

- Add Taints/Tolerations

Tolerations on GPU workloads

```
tolerations:  
  - key: nvidia/gpu  
    operator: Exists  
    effect: NoSchedule
```

Taints on worker nodes with GPU

```
taints:  
  - key: nvidia/gpu  
    effect: NoSchedule
```

- Worker nodes – Monitor CPU and memory and adjust as needed

K8s worker node

```
vCPUs: 16  
RAM: 64GB  
Storage: 500GB thin provisioned virtual disk  
NIC: VMXNet3 connected to network
```

GPU Monitoring

Using nvidia-smi

GPU Burn Test

= CUDA =

CUDA Version 12.0.0

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....

GPU 0: GRID A100D-40C (UUID: GPU-ef5a53d2-34d3-11b2-99cb-146b8c8a3ad1)

Using compare file: compare.ptx

Burning for 60 seconds.

....

30.0% proc'd: 128 (9171 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

46.7% proc'd: 256 (18593 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

55.0% proc'd: 384 (18567 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

63.3% proc'd: 384 (18567 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

71.7% proc'd: 512 (18536 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

80.0% proc'd: 640 (18514 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

90.0% proc'd: 768 (18466 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

100.0% proc'd: 896 (18449 Gflop/s) errors: 0 temps: --

....

Burning for 60 seconds.

Initialized device 0 with 40955 MB of memory (37077 MB available)

of it), using FLOATS

Results are 268435456 bytes each, thus performing 128 iterations

....

Tested 1 GPUs:

GPU 0: OK

[administrator@FSV-AI-OC-Installer OCP3]\$ oc exec -it nvidia-driver-daemonset-413.92.202309261804-0-zshvt -- nvidia-smi

NVIDIA-SMI 525.60.13			Driver Version: 525.60.13			CUDA Version: 12.0		
GPU	Name	Persistence-M	Bus-Id	Disp.A	Volatile Uncorr. ECC	GPU-Util	Compute M.	ECC
Fan	Temp	Perf	Pwr:Usage/Cap	Memory-Usage				
MIG M.								
0	GRID A100D-40C	On	00000000:02:00.0	Off	0			
N/A	N/A	P0	N/A / N/A	34133MiB / 40960MiB	99%		Default	Disabled
Processes:								
GPU	GI	CI	PID	Type	Process name	GPU Memory Usage		
	ID	ID						
0	N/A	N/A	425634	C	./gpu_burn	34069MiB		

GPU Monitoring

Using DCGM Dashboard

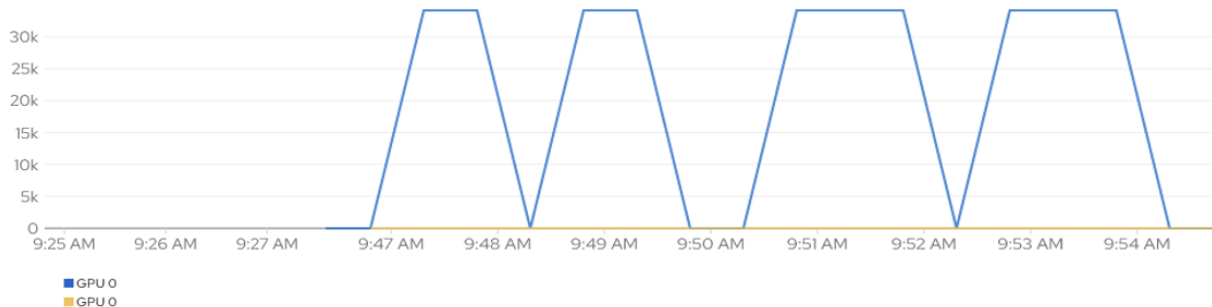
GPU Burn Test

GPU Utilization



GPU Framebuffer Mem Used

Inspect



GPU Temperature

GPU Avg. Temp

GPU Power Usage

GPU Power Total

GPU SM Clocks

GPU Utilization

GPU Framebuffer
Mem Used

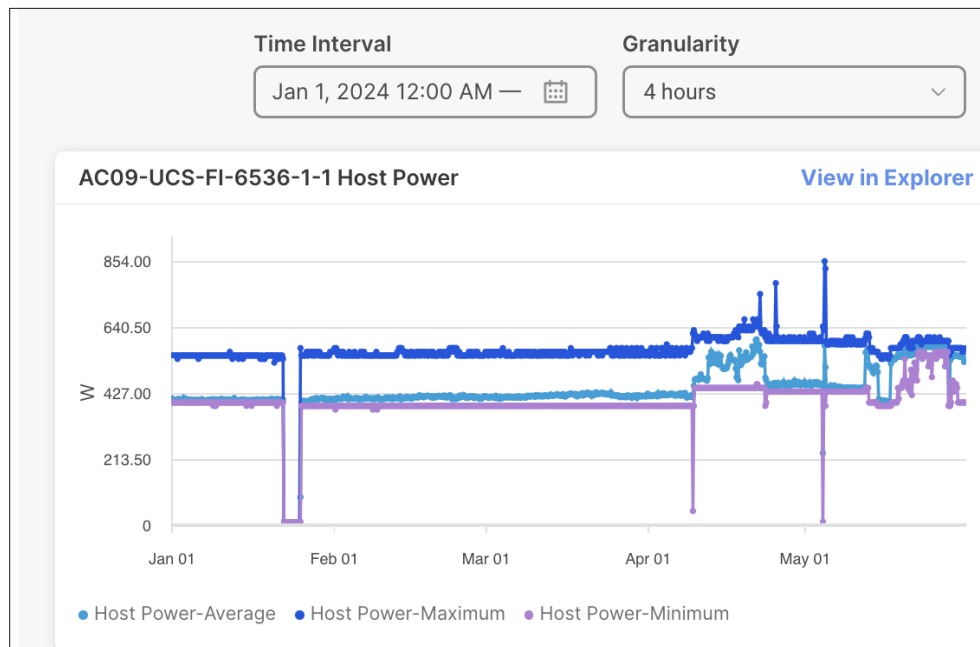
Tensor Core
Utilization

Server Power Consumption

Cisco Intersight

UCSX-210C-M7 server with 2-socket
4th-Gen Intel® Xeon® Gold 6430
processors and 1 x A100-80 GPU

GPU Model	Power
H100	350W
A100	300W
L40s	350W
L4	72W



ML Infrastructure Design – MLOps



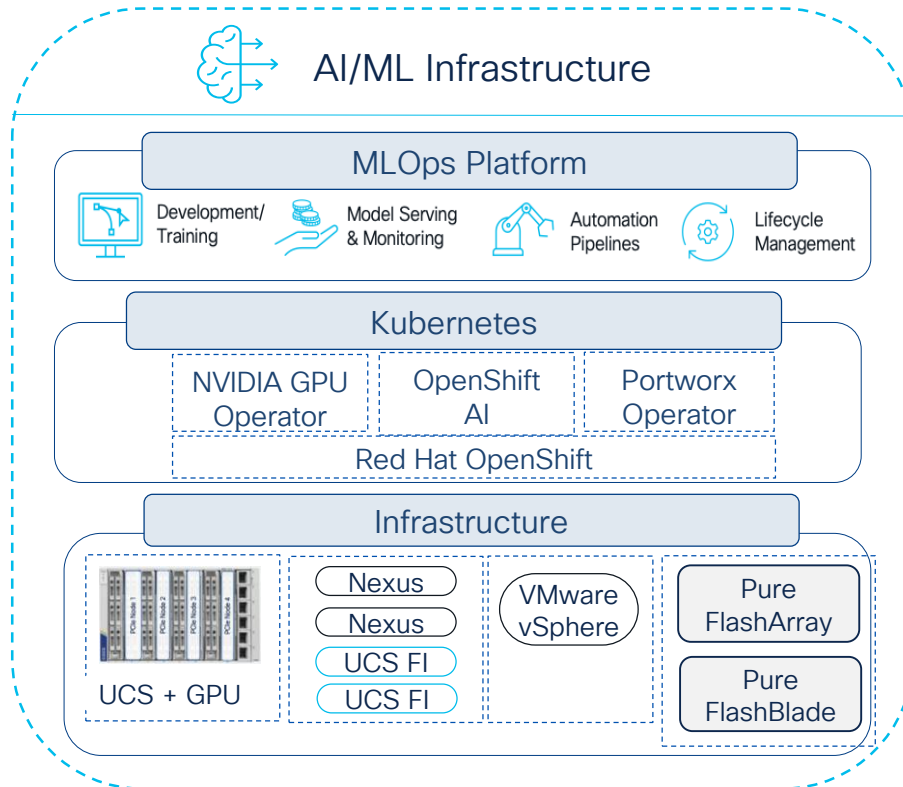
MLOps platform

OpenShift AI provides a scalable foundation for AI/ML efforts



K8s Operators

OpenShift AI operator is deployed to enable MLOps platform



Operationalizing AI/ML with Red Hat OpenShift AI



Red Hat
OpenShift AI

Hybrid MLOps
Platform

- An AI-focused platform that provides tools to train, tune, serve, monitor and manage AI/ML experiments and models.
- Collaborate within a common platform to bring IT, data science, and app dev teams together.
- Available as managed service or as self-managed on-site or in the cloud!
- Runs anywhere Red Hat Openshift does



Model development

Use core AI / ML libraries and frameworks including TensorFlow and PyTorch using Red Hat's notebook images or your own



Model serving & monitoring

Deploy models across any cloud, fully managed, and self-managed OpenShift and monitor their performance



Lifecycle Management

Create repeatable data science pipelines and integrate them with devops pipelines for delivery of models across your enterprise



Increased capabilities / collaboration

Create and share projects across teams. Combine Red Hat components, open-source software, and ISV certified software

Integrations



Gather and prepare data

Develop model

Integrate models in app dev

Model monitoring
and management

Customer managed applications



Open hybrid cloud platform:



Accelerators:

On-premise, cloud or edge infrastructure

Customer managed
ISV software

ISV managed cloud
services

Red Hat software
and cloud services

Red Hat on-premise
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Starting point for your AI/ML project

Red Hat OpenShift AI

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Data Science Pipelines >

Model Serving

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Settings ▾

- Notebook images
- Cluster settings
- Accelerator profiles
- Serving runtimes
- User management

An upcoming update to pipelines may result in limited data accessibility. [Learn more](#)

Data Science Projects > KB Webinar > Create workbench

Create workbench

Configure properties for your workbench.

Jump to section

- Name and description
- Notebook image
- Deployment size
- Environment variables
- Cluster storage
- Data connections

Name *

Description

Notebook image

Image selection *

Select one

Deployment size

Workbench Infra Setup

Notebook image

Image selection *

Select one

Minimal Python

Standard Data Science

CUDA

PyTorch

TensorFlow

TrustyAI

HabanaAI
Python v3.8, Habana v1.10

code-server

Cluster storage

i Cluster storage will mount to /

- ☒ Create new persistent storage
This creates storage that is retained when logged out.

Name *

Description

Persistent storage size

- 20 + Gi ▾

Accelerator

None

None

NVIDIA GPU

[+ Add variable](#)

Data connections

- ☒ Use a data connection

- ☒ Create new data connection

Name *

Access key *

Secret key *

Endpoint *

Region

Deployment size

Container size

Small

Small

Limits: 2 CPU, 8Gi Memory Requests: 1 CPU, 8Gi Memory

Medium

Limits: 6 CPU, 24Gi Memory Requests: 3 CPU, 24Gi Memory

Large

Limits: 14 CPU, 56Gi Memory Requests: 7 CPU, 56Gi Memory

X Large

Limits: 30 CPU, 120Gi Memory Requests: 15 CPU, 120Gi Memory

Cisco DC Demo: Fraud Detection-Intel

 Components  Permissions

Jump to section

Workbenches

Create workbench

Name	Notebook image	Container size	Status	
▶ Demo-FD-Intel_WorkBench	TensorFlow	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Running	Open
▶ Test-WB-1	Standard Data Science	Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Stopped	Open

Cluster storage

Add cluster storage

Name	Type	Connected workbenches
Demo-FD-Intel_WorkBench_PV	Persistent storage	Demo-FD-Intel_WorkBench
Test-WB-1	Persistent storage	Test-WB-1

Data connections

Add data connection

Name	Type	Connected workbenches
Model Storage - Pure FB-1	Object storage	No connections
Model Storage - Pure FB - 2	Object storage	Demo-FD-Intel_WorkBench
Pipeline Artifacts	Object storage	No connections

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Applications

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Pipelines

Runs

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Pipelines - Object Detection

Model Training

Model Training

Model Training

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Actions

Graph

YAML

ingest-data

preprocess-data

train-model

convert-model

upload-model

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DS

Cisco DC Demo: Fraud Detection - Triton

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Demo-FD-Triton_WorkBench

Test-FB-WorkBench

Stopped

Stopped

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DS

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Test-WB-1

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Demo-LLM-Application

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WB-Demo-LLM-App

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Demo: LLM

LC-1_WB

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Model name 	Project 	Serving runtime	Inference endpoint	API protocol	Status
fraud 	Cisco DC Demo: Fraud Detection-Intel <div>Multi-model serving enabled</div>	OpenVINO Model Server	Internal Service	REST	
Mistral-7B-Instruct 	Demo: LLM <div>Single-model serving enabled</div>	vLLM-REST	https://... 	REST	
yolo 	Object Detection <div>Multi-model serving enabled</div>	OpenVINO Model Server	Internal Service	REST	
yolov5 	Object Detection <div>Multi-model serving enabled</div>	OpenVINO Model Server	Internal Service	REST	

Serving runtimes

Manage your model serving runtimes.

Single-model serving enabled Multi-model serving enabled ?

Add serving runtime

Name	Enabled ?	Serving platforms supported	API protocol
<div>OpenVINO Model Server ?</div> <div>Pre-installed</div>	<div></div>	Single-model	REST
<div>vLLM-REST ?</div>	<div></div>	Single-model	REST
<div>hf-tgi-runtime ?</div>	<div></div>	Single-model	REST
<div>Caikit TGIS ServingRuntime for KServe ?</div> <div>Pre-installed</div>	<div></div>	Single-model	REST
<div>OpenVINO Model Server ?</div> <div>Pre-installed</div>	<div></div>	Multi-model	REST
<div>OpenVINO Model Server (Supports GPUs) ?</div> <div>Pre-installed</div>	<div></div>	Multi-model	REST
<div>Triton runtime 23.05 - added on 20230804 - with /dev/shm ?</div>	<div></div>	Single-model Multi-model	REST
<div>TGIS Standalone ServingRuntime for KServe ?</div>	<div></div>	Single-model	gRPC

AI/ML Ready Infrastructure

FlashStack for AI with Red Hat OpenShift AI



Red Hat
OpenShift AI

MLOps



Development/
Training



Model Serving
& Monitoring



Automation
Pipelines

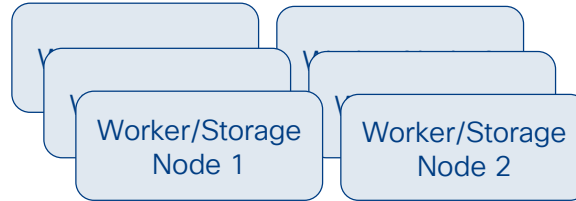


Lifecycle
Management



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OpenShift

Kubernetes



NVIDIA GPU Operator

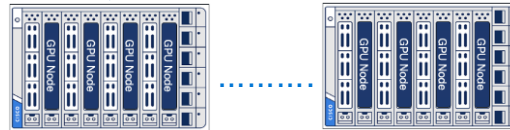
Portworx CSI Operator

OpenShift Pipelines

OpenShift AI

Operators

VMware vSphere

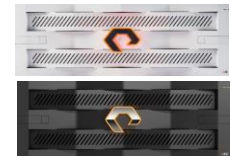


DC Fabric



Nexus 9300CD-GX
100/400 GbE ToR
Switches

Infrastructure



Pure Storage
FlashArray and
FlashBlade

Enterprise AI/ML Platform

Scalable model delivery

Support multiple AI/ML efforts
and use cases at scale with
ease and consistency



Generative AI



Predictive AI/Classical ML



Customer & employee experience



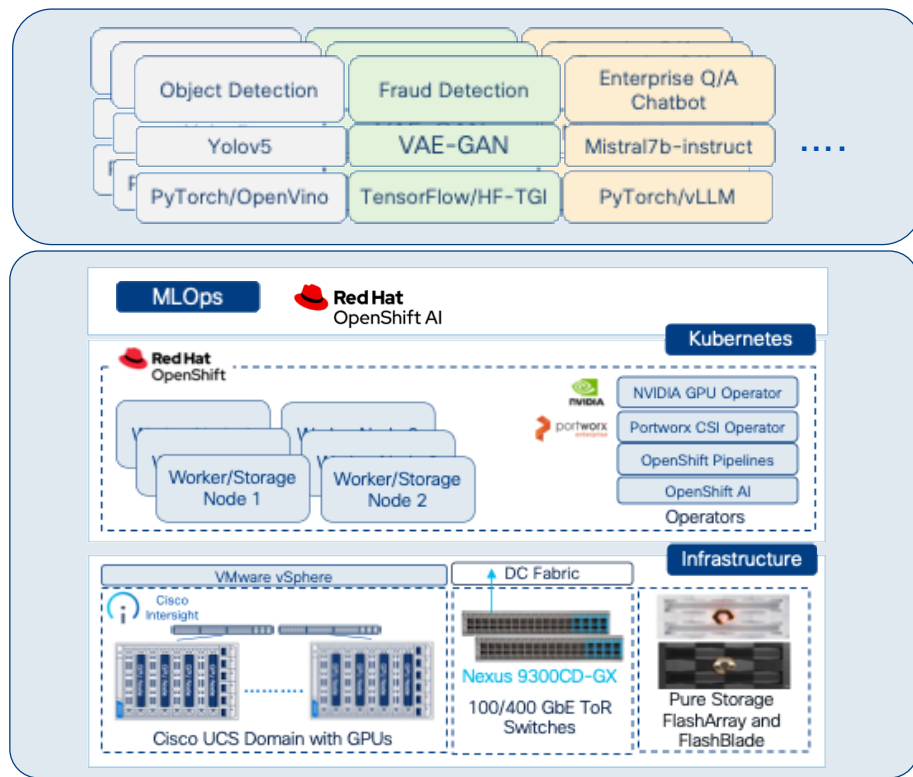
Language & code generation



Recommendation systems

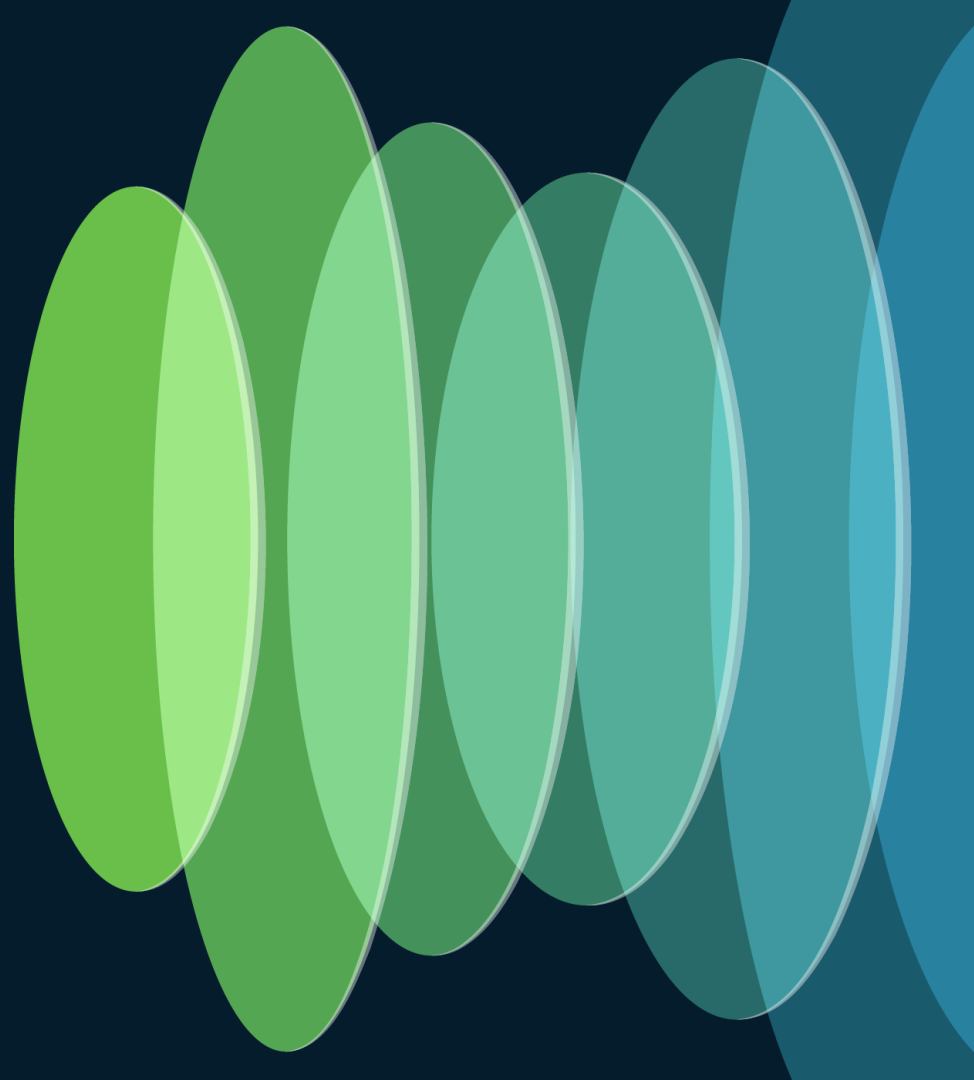


AI/ML Infrastructure

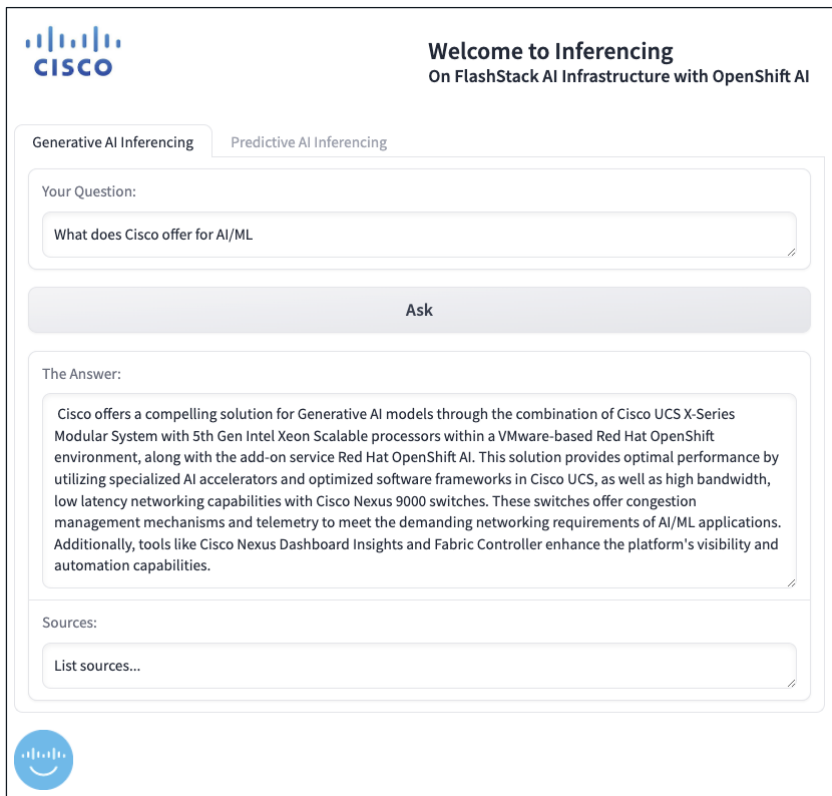


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Demo - Q/A Chatbot using Enterprise knowledgebase



UI Frontend



The screenshot shows a web interface for Cisco Inferencing. At the top left is the Cisco logo. To its right, the text reads "Welcome to Inferencing" and "On FlashStack AI Infrastructure with OpenShift AI". Below this, there are two tabs: "Generative AI Inferencing" (selected) and "Predictive AI Inferencing". Under the "Generative AI Inferencing" tab, there is a section titled "Your Question:" with a text input field containing the question "What does Cisco offer for AI/ML". Below the input field is a large grey button labeled "Ask". Underneath the button is a section titled "The Answer:" containing a text box with a detailed response about Cisco's solution for Generative AI models. At the bottom of the interface, there is a "Sources:" section with a text input field labeled "List sources...". In the bottom left corner of the interface is a small circular icon with a smiley face and the Cisco logo.

Welcome to Inferencing
On FlashStack AI Infrastructure with OpenShift AI

Generative AI Inferencing Predictive AI Inferencing

Your Question:

What does Cisco offer for AI/ML

Ask

The Answer:

Cisco offers a compelling solution for Generative AI models through the combination of Cisco UCS X-Series Modular System with 5th Gen Intel Xeon Scalable processors within a VMware-based Red Hat OpenShift environment, along with the add-on service Red Hat OpenShift AI. This solution provides optimal performance by utilizing specialized AI accelerators and optimized software frameworks in Cisco UCS, as well as high bandwidth, low latency networking capabilities with Cisco Nexus 9000 switches. These switches offer congestion management mechanisms and telemetry to meet the demanding networking requirements of AI/ML applications. Additionally, tools like Cisco Nexus Dashboard Insights and Fabric Controller enhance the platform's visibility and automation capabilities.

Sources:

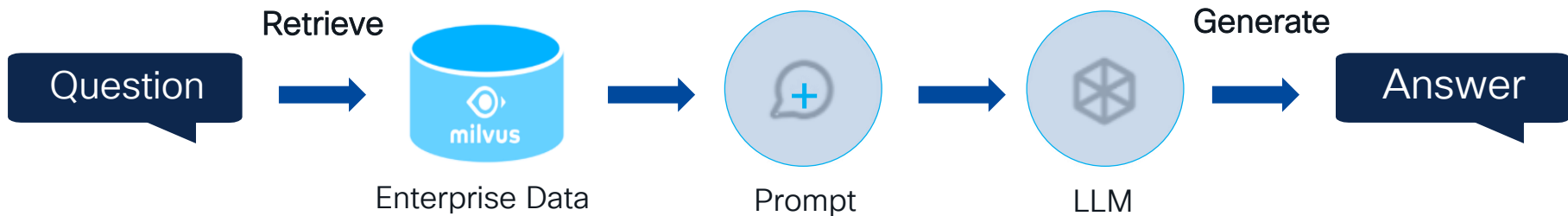
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USE CASE COMPONENTS

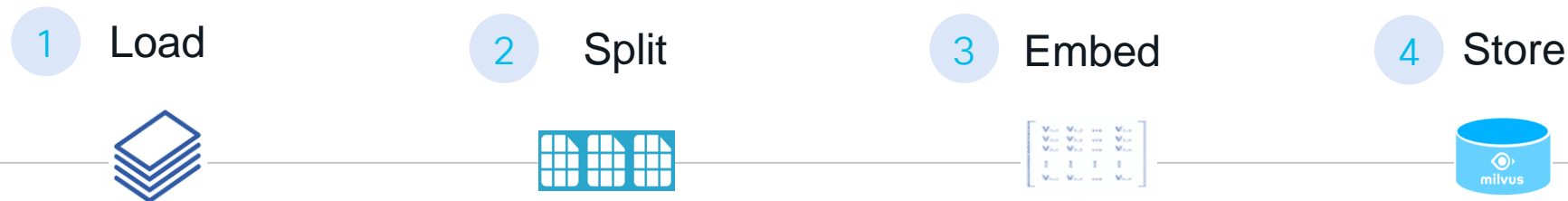
- AI-ready stack with Red Hat OpenShift
- MLOps (Red Hat OpenShift AI)
- NVIDIA GPU with 24GB of VRAM
- Large Language Model (LLM)
- Inferencing runtime (vLLM)
- Model Serving Platform (Kserve, Knative)
- ML Framework (PyTorch)
- Vector Store (Milvus)
- Embedding Model (NomicAI)
- Store and retrieval pipeline (LangChain)
- UI Engine (Gradio)

Demo Overview

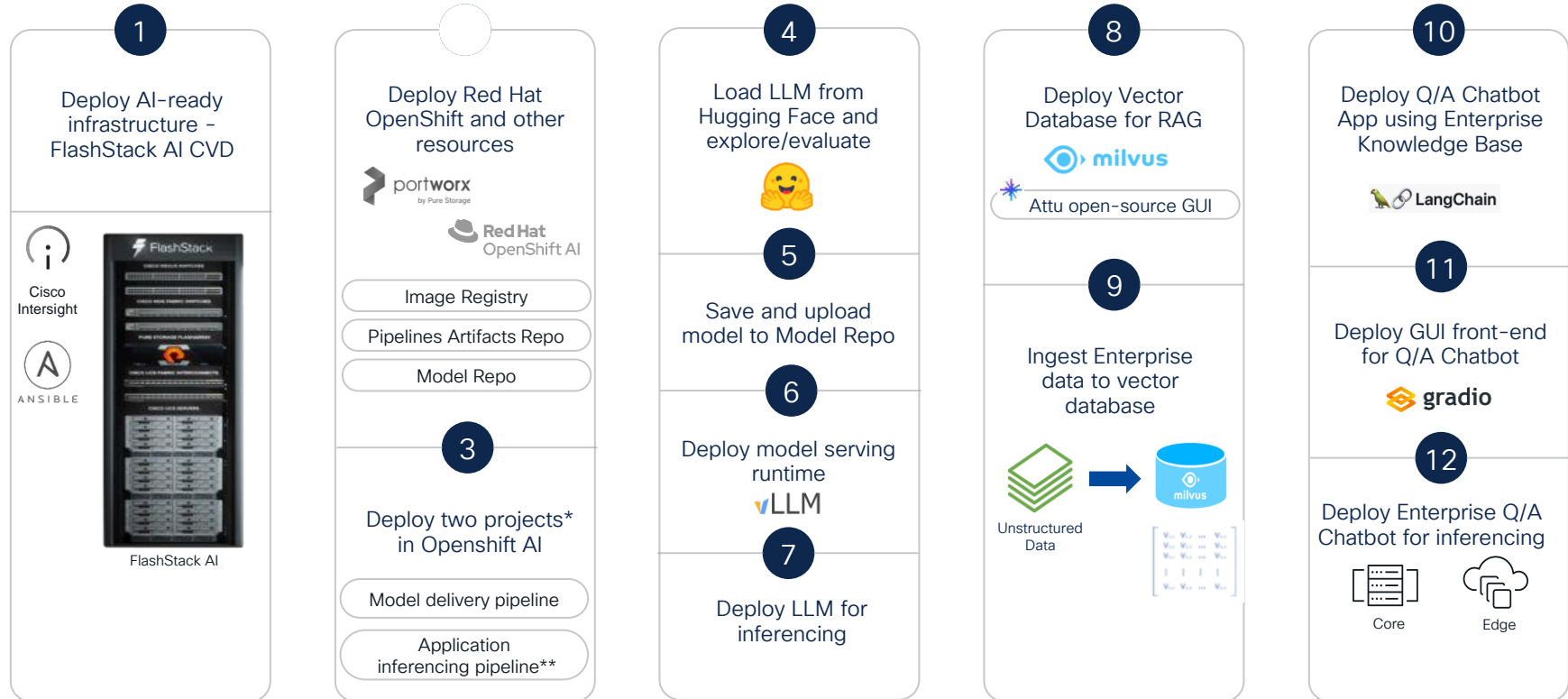
Retrieval and Generation



Ingest and Store



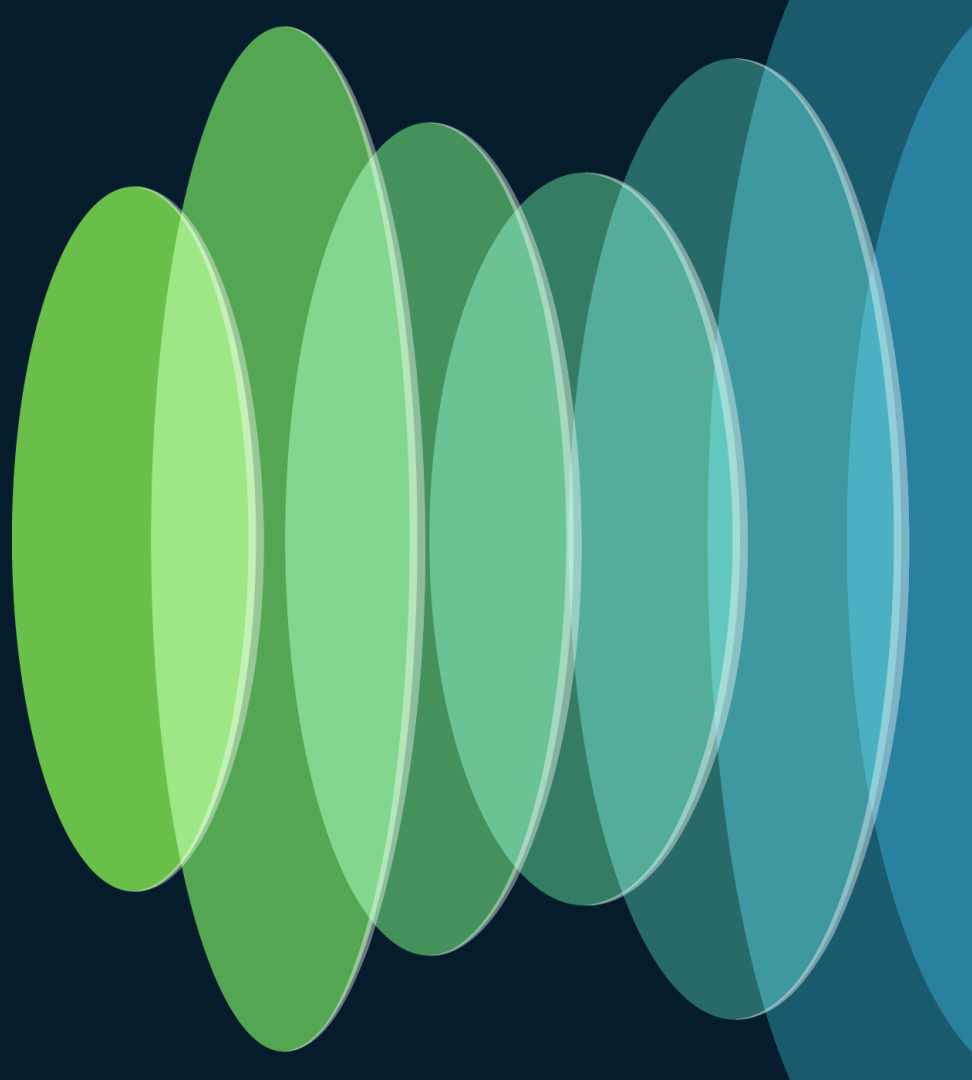
Deployment Workflow



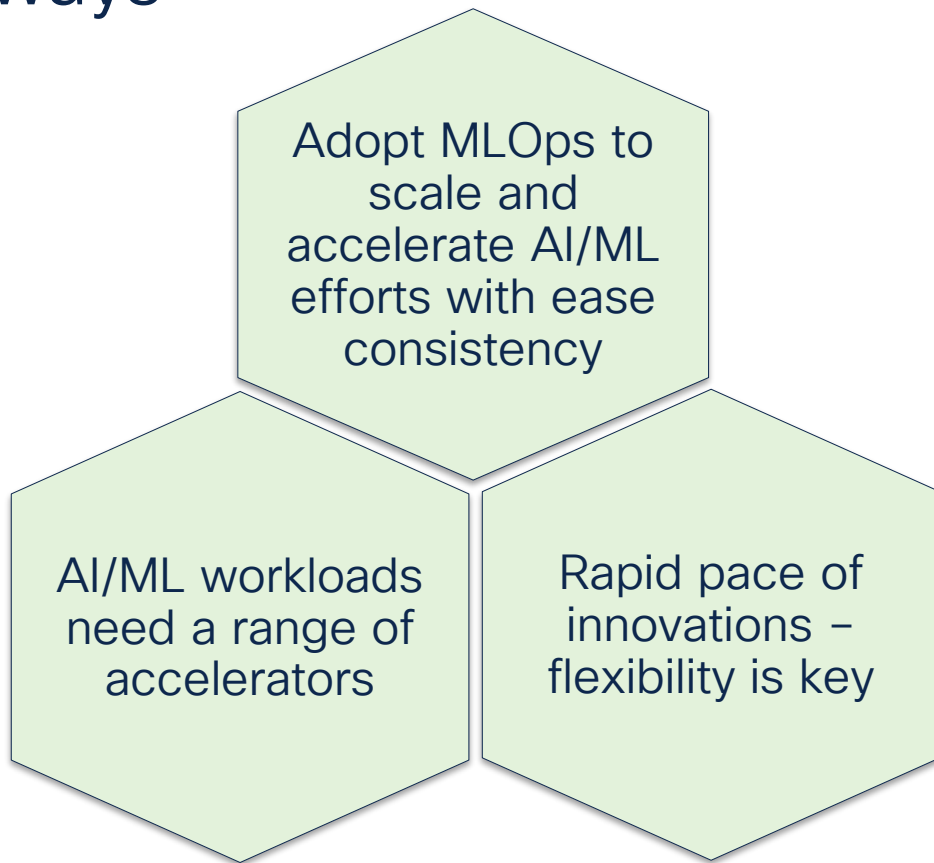
* Workbenches/namespaces

** For demo purposes

Wrap-up



Key Takeaways



Key Resources



Cisco MLOps CVD

- https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/unified_computing/ucs/UCS_CVDs/flashstack_ai_ml_ops.html



GitHub Repo

- <https://github.com/ucs-compute-solutions/FlashStack-OpenShift-AI>



Design Zone for AI Ready Infrastructure

- <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/solutions/design-zone/ai-ready-infrastructure.html>

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