

# Training Deep Learning Models in the Cloud

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Industry Leading  
Organizations



**180**

Active Contributing  
Members



**2,500**

IT End Users &  
Storage Pros  
Worldwide



**50,000**



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**Educate** vendors and users on cloud storage, data services and orchestration



**Support & promote** business models and architectures: OpenStack, Software Defined Storage, Kubernetes, Object Storage



**Understand** Hyperscaler requirements  
Incorporate them into standards and programs



**Collaborate** with other industry associations

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# Today's Topics

- Industry Trends in AI
- Examples of AI Adoption and Benefits
- Considerations for Adopting AI Technologies
  - Scale Out Infrastructure
  - Unified Platform for Training and Inference
  - Middleware Stack and Tools



# Industry Trends

AI model compute doubling every 10 months



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Generative artificial intelligence presents a philosophical and practical challenge on a scale not experienced since the start of the Enlightenment.

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# The original startup behind Stable Diffusion has launched a generative AI for video

Runway's new model, called Gen-1, can change the visual style of existing videos and movies.

By Will Douglas Heaven  
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Technology

# Wall Street Banks Are Cracking Down on AI-Powered ChatGPT

- Banks currently restricting chatbot's use, people familiar say
- ChatGPT has sparked intense interest across industries

By Gabriela Mello, William Shaw and Hannah Levitt  
February 24, 2023 at 4:36 AM PST Updated on February 24, 2023 at 7:10 AM PST



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Last September, the USCO approved an application for *Zarya Of The Dawn*, a graphic novel created by Kristina Kashtanova, registering the work as intellectual property protected by copyright. The decision reinvigorated the legal debate over whether digital artwork created by the latest AI text-to-image tools could be copyrighted or not.



# Enterprises Will Increasingly Rely on Deep Learning Workloads

2021 – 2026 projections indicate

- Data center accelerator market **CAGR of 36.7%**
- Deep learning driving the growth
- 1/3 of servers shipped in 2026 will run DL training or inference
- DL to account for majority of cloud workloads
- **Training applications** to be the majority of the server apps by 2026

<https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20210819005361/en/Global-Data-Center-Accelerator-Market-Forecast-to-2026-Artificial-Intelligence-to-Drive-the-Growth-of-Cloud-Data-Center-Market---ResearchAndMarkets.com>

# Explosive Demand for Deep Learning Training

- More applications for AI
- More complex models
- Many iterations:

**74%**

of IDC  
respondents  
indicate  
running 5-10  
iterations of  
training

**50%**

of  
respondents  
rebuild  
models  
weekly or  
more often;

**26%**

rebuild  
daily or  
hourly

Source: IDC Semiannual Artificial Intelligence Tracker (2020H1, published Jan 2021)

# Deep Learning Acceleration

Study cited in State of AI 2022 report

Training compute (FLOPs) of milestone Machine Learning systems over time  
 $n = 121$

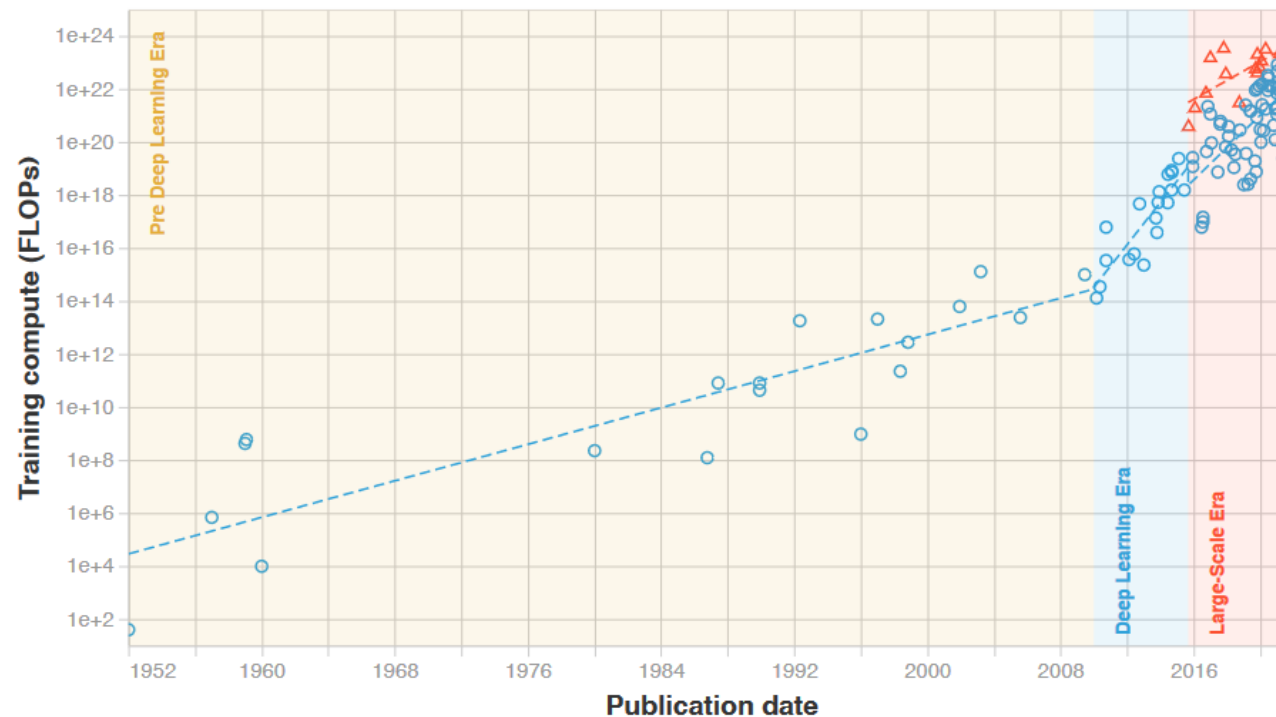


Figure 1: Trends in  $n = 121$  milestone ML models between 1952 and 2022. We distinguish three eras. Notice the change of slope circa 2010, matching the advent of Deep Learning; and the emergence of a new large-scale trend in late 2015.

Study by Epoch, University of Aberdeen, Center for the Governance of AI, University of St. Andrews, MIT, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Universidad Complutense

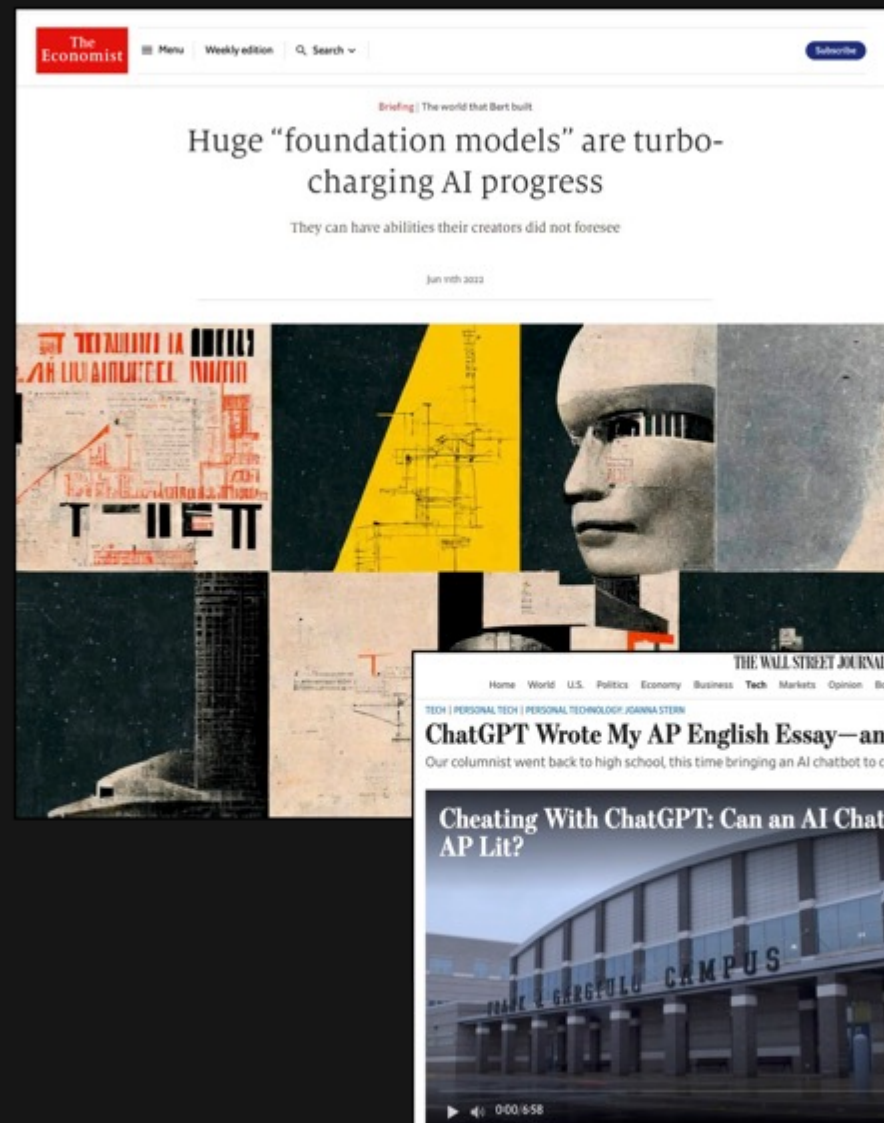
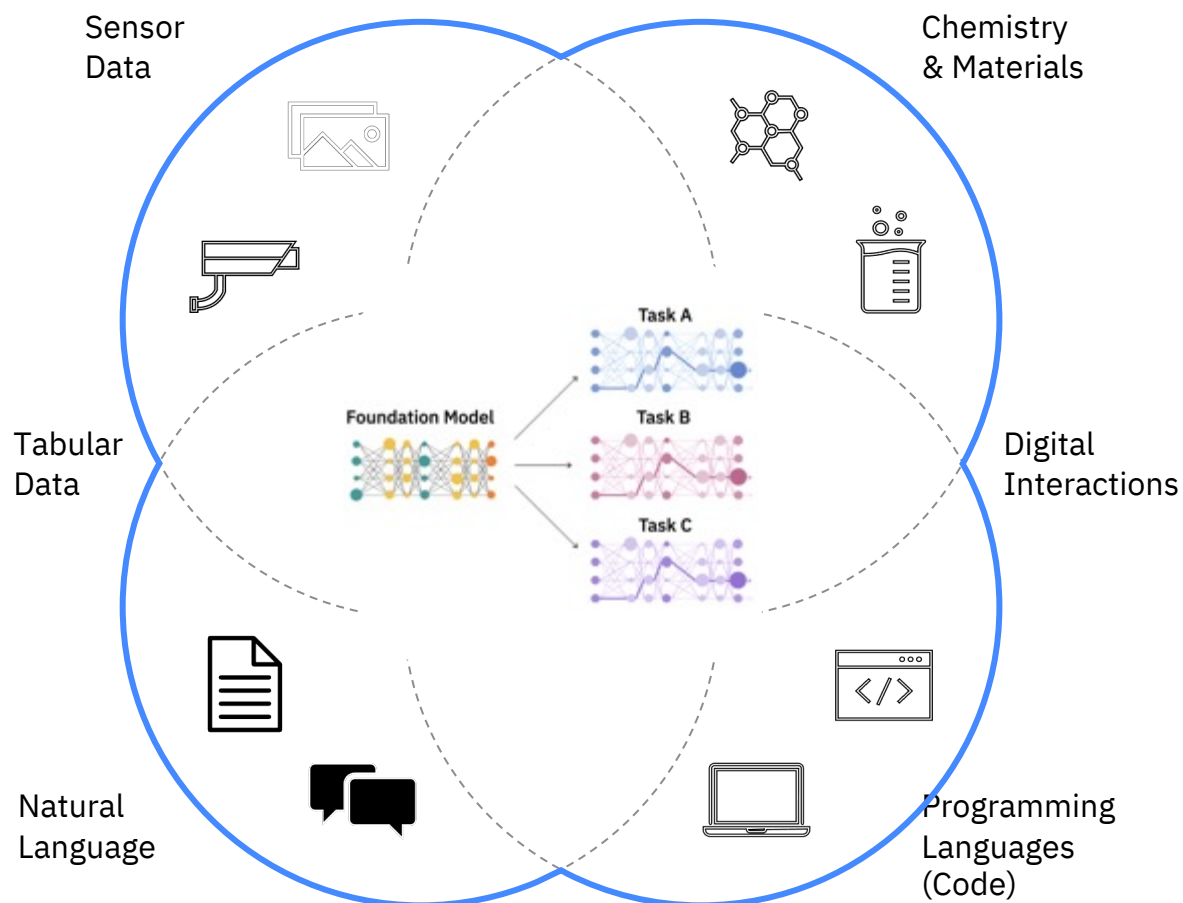


# Examples of AI Adoption and Benefits

AI adoption will change the game across many domains



# Foundation models are poised to change the game across data modalities and domains



**Greg Brockman** @gdb · Jan 6

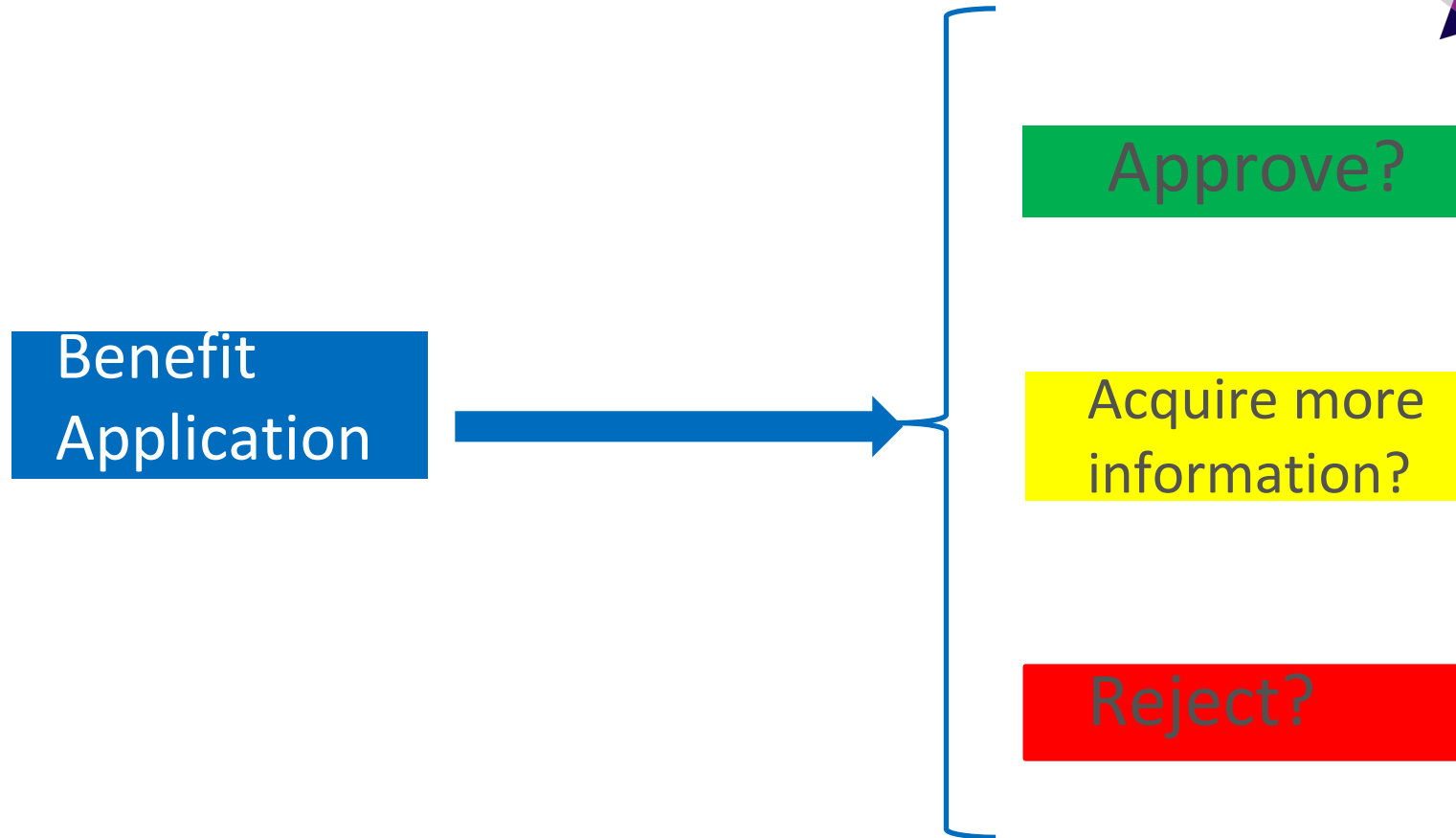
Wrong lesson from GPT paradigm — text is all you need. Other modalities will be incredibly stunning. Can feel it already from DALL-E, which can do something quite useful despite its nascent language ability.

# Detection of COVID Pneumonia in Chest X-Rays



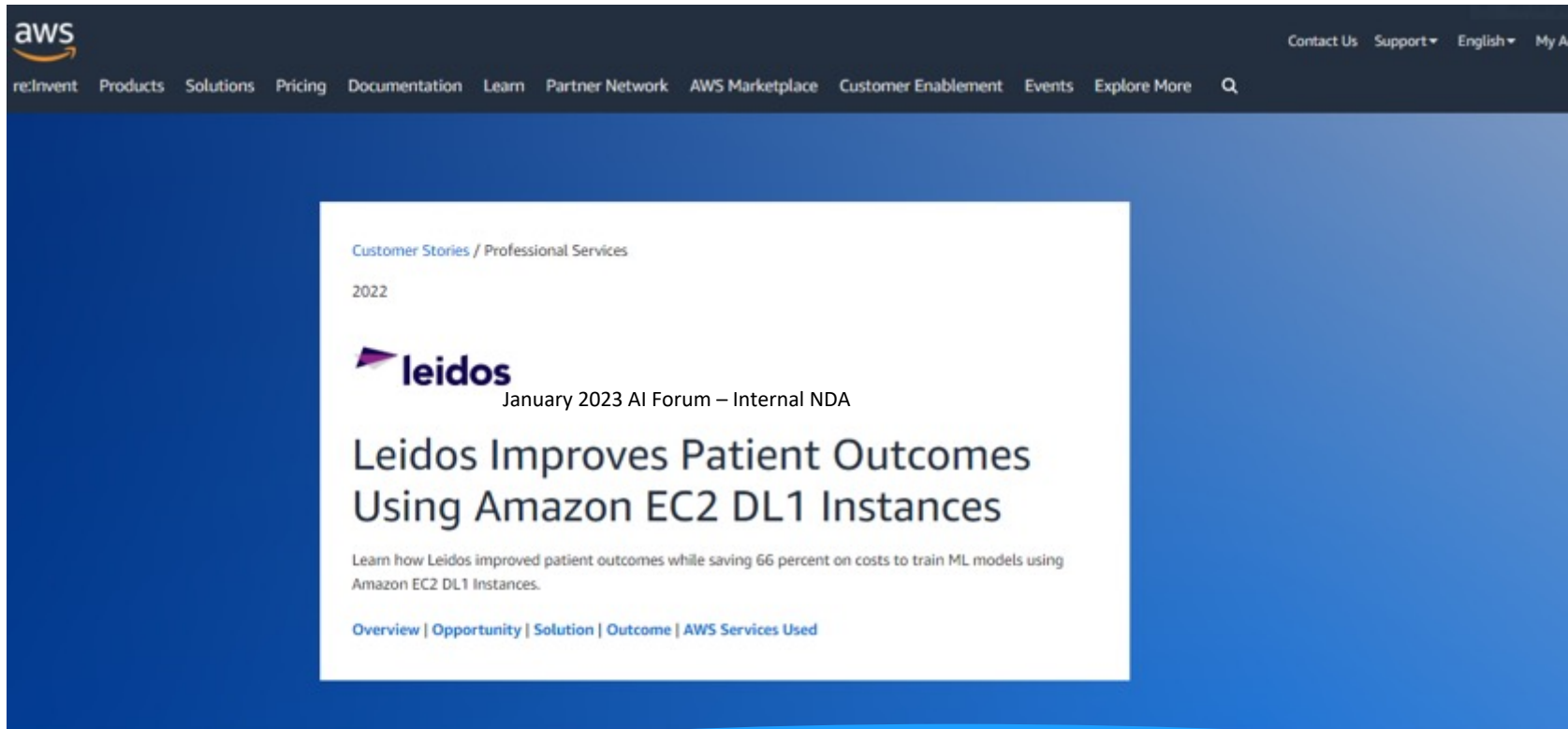
COVID  
Pneumonia?

# Model for Dispositioning of Medical Benefit Applications



# Read the Leidos Case: Amazon EC2 DL1 Instances

<https://aws.amazon.com/solutions/case-studies/leidos-case-study/>



<b>66%</b> cost savings for model training	<b>60%</b> better price performance	<b>95–97% precision score</b> hybrid solution	<b>Increased speed</b> for claim processing	<b>Cut model training time</b> from 8 hours to less than 1 hour for about 2,200 cases a day
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# Mobileye

Custom object detection  
(2D and 3D) models trained on Gaudi



*“On our own models the increase in price performance met and even exceeded the published 40% mark.”*

Chaim Rand, Mobileye

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## Mobileye Improves Deep Learning Training Performance and Reduces Costs Using Amazon EC2 DL1 Instances

Learn how Mobileye, a driving automation technology provider, improved price performance by 40 percent and lowered deep learning model training costs using Amazon EC2 DL1 Instances.

[Overview](#) | [Opportunity](#) | [Solution](#) | [Outcome](#) | [AWS Services Used](#)

<b>40 percent</b> improvement in price performance	<b>250</b> production workloads daily	<b>Accelerates</b> development cycle for tasks involving computer vision	<b>Scales to more than 3,500</b> nodes on Amazon EMR	<b>Sees near-linear improvement</b> with increasing numbers of Amazon EC2 DL1 Instances
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# “DIY AI” in Medicine

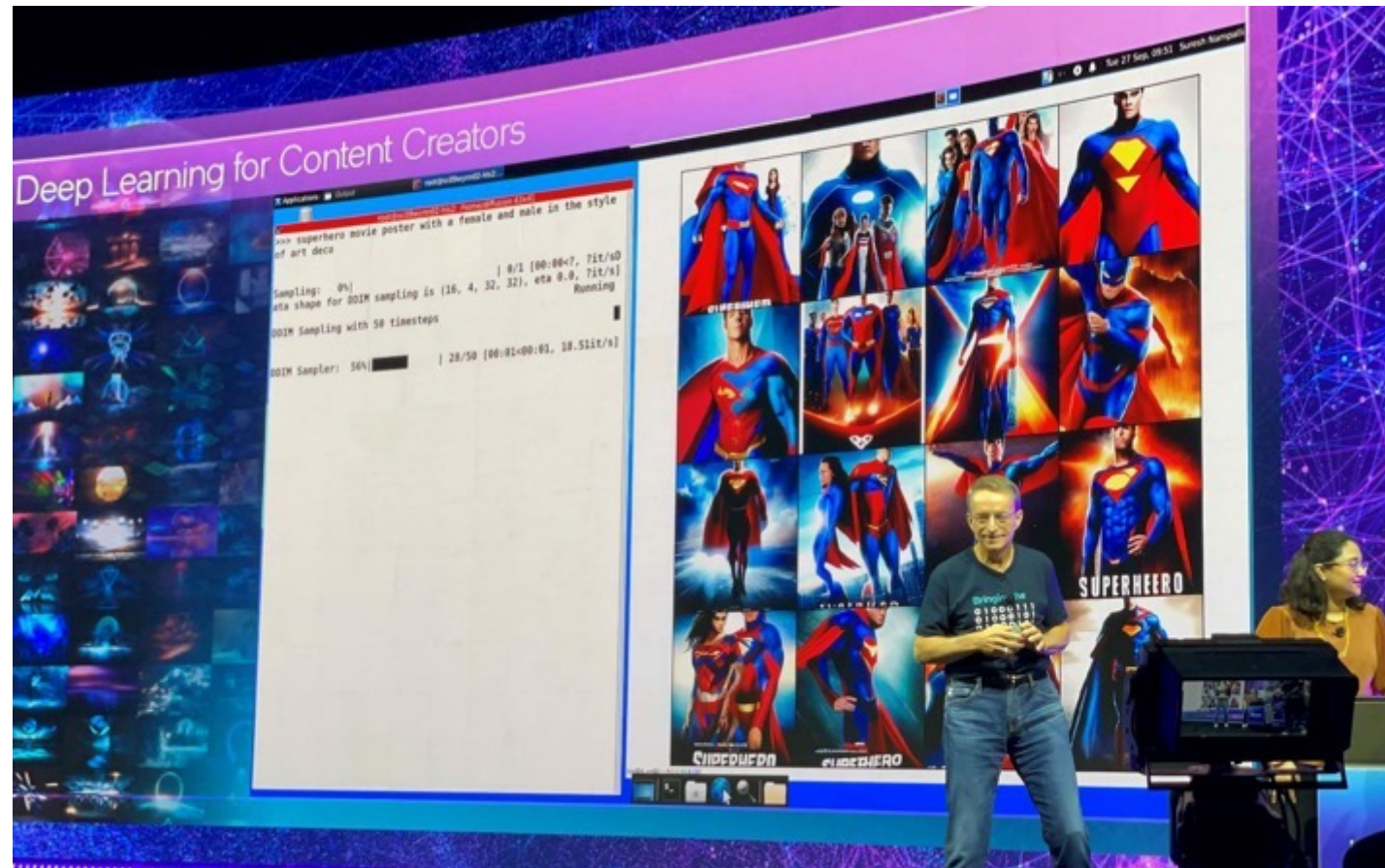
Habana and Hugging Face at Northwestern



“By partnering with Hugging Face, Habana is democratizing AI. They provide documentation and examples so that a medical expert with minimal data science expertise can produce a useful clinical model in under fifty lines of code. The partnership enables scalability, reduces friction and lowers costs to train large language models. Habana and Hugging Face are providing ‘DIY AI.’”

*Mozziyar Etemadi, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of [Anesthesiology](#) and [McCormick School of Engineering](#), Northwestern Medicine*

# Stable Diffusion for Image Generation



Stable Diffusion Model based on <https://github.com/pesser/stable-diffusion>  
Check out [Keynote featuring stable diffusion demo](#) at Intel Innovation in Sep'22





# Considerations for Adoption of AI Technologies

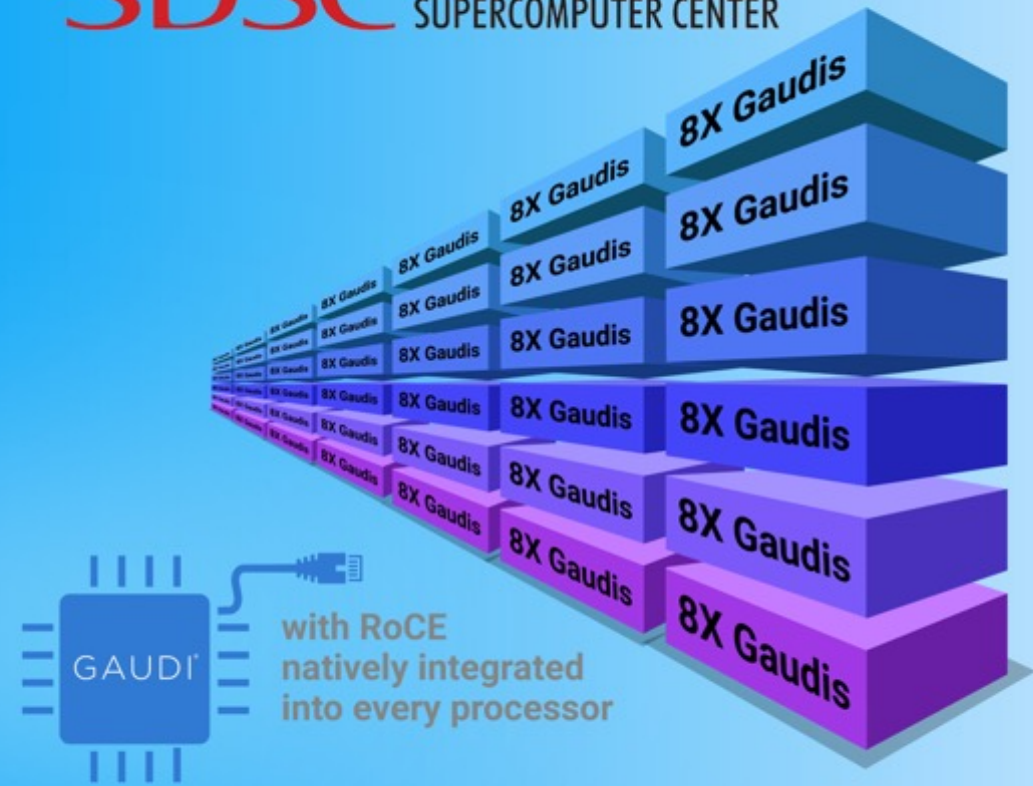
Scale Out Infrastructure: High Performance and Cloud Flexibility

# SDSC Voyager Cluster

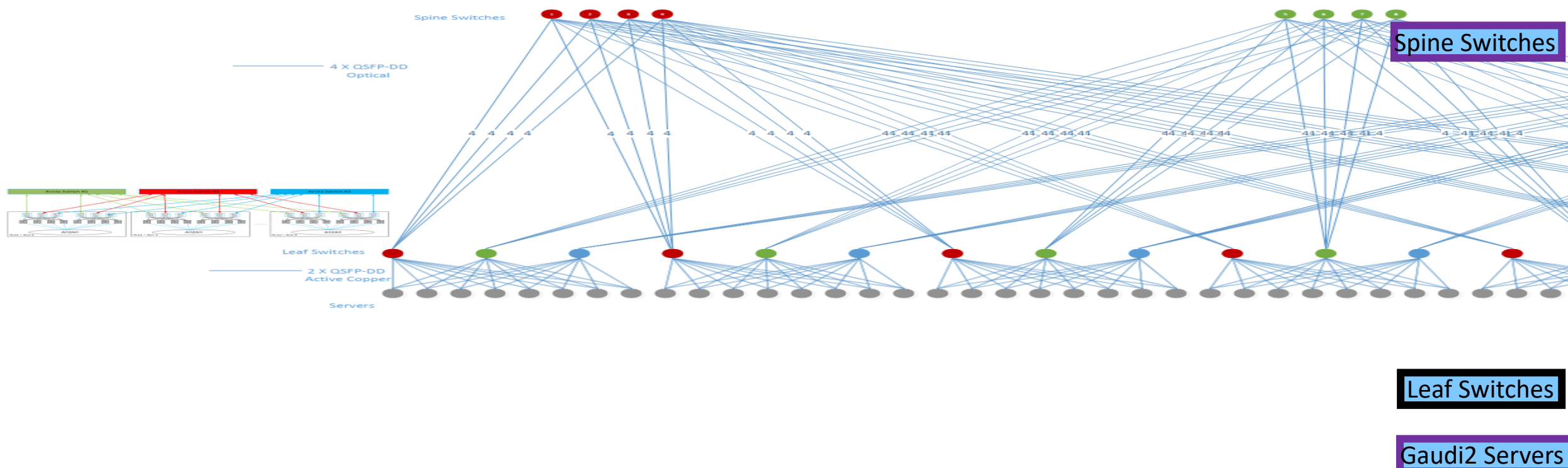


AI Training Server

**SDSC** SAN DIEGO  
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# Massive and Flexible Scale-up and Scale-out



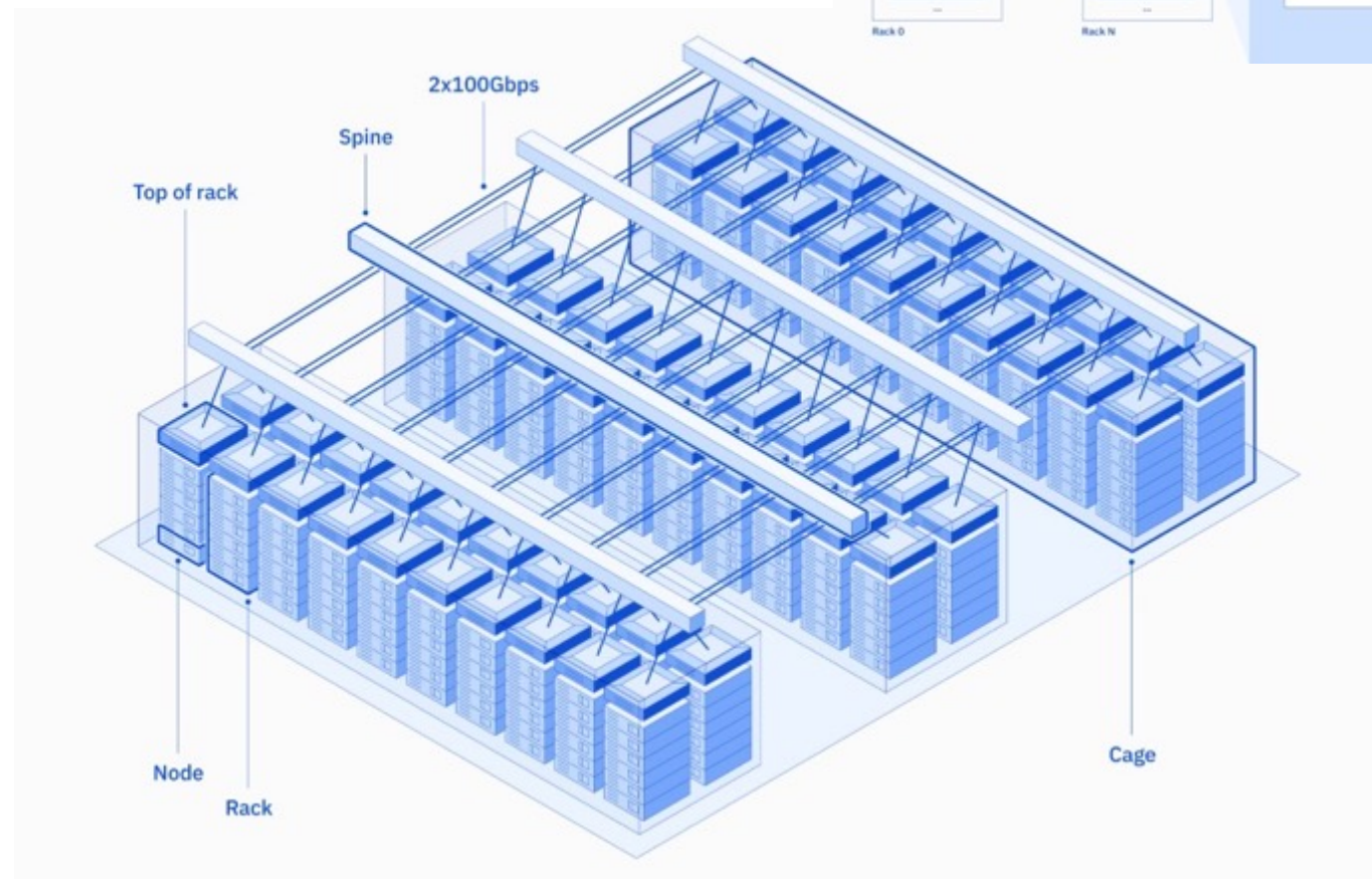


# Vela – Cloud AI System

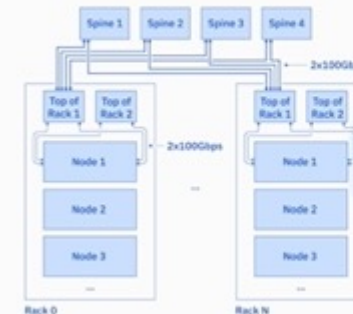
## ■ System specifications

- Nodes: NVIDIA HGX™ A100 (8 GPUs with 80GB/GPU)
- GPUs interconnected with NVIDIA® NVLink® and NVIDIA® NVSwitch™
- Cascade Lake CPUs, 1.5TB of DRAM,
- Four 3.2TB NVMe drives
- Redundant connections between nodes, TORs and spine
- 2 x 100G NICs from each node – NCCL benchmarks show we drive close to line rate
- Configure resources through software (APIs)
- Broad ecosystem of available cloud service
- Leverage data sets on Cloud Object Store
- Collaborate, leveraging IBM Cloud VPC
- Standard, flexible, scalable infrastructure design (vs traditional HPC)
- Near bare metal performance (within 5%, single node)

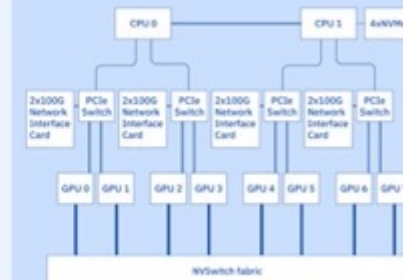
- <https://research.ibm.com/blog/AI-supercomputer-Vela-GPU-cluster>



Vela system architecture



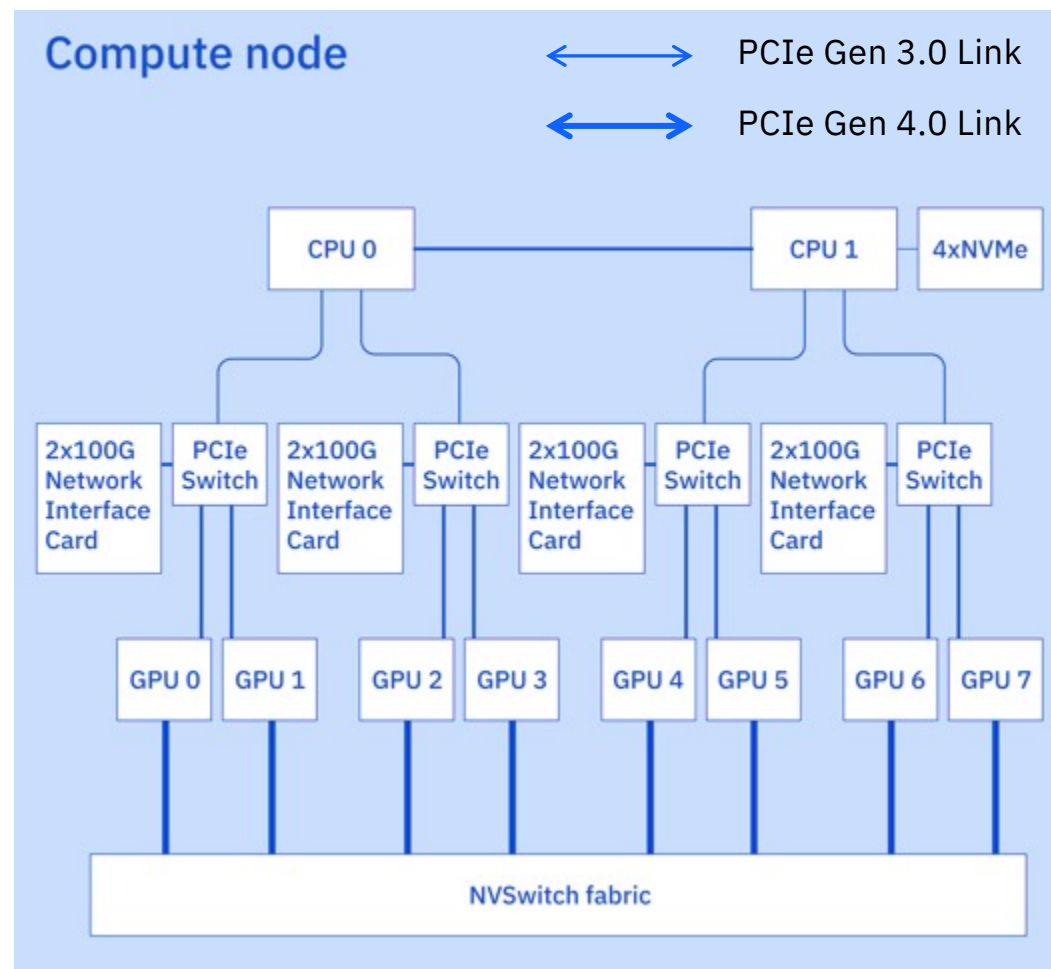
Compute node



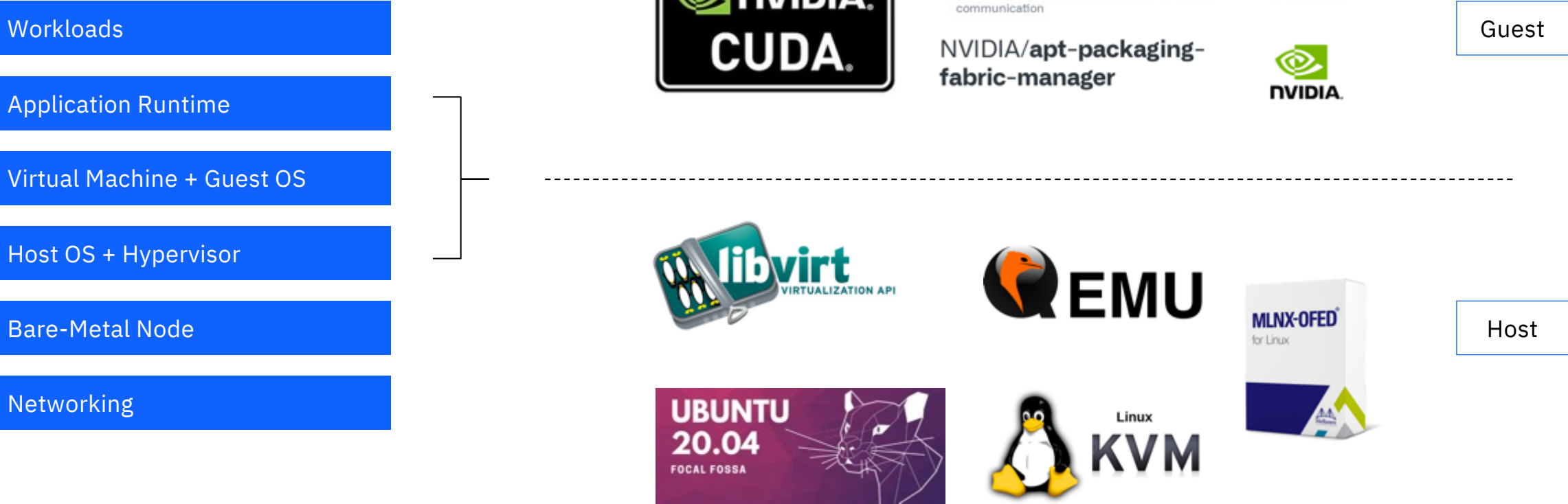


# Node Architecture

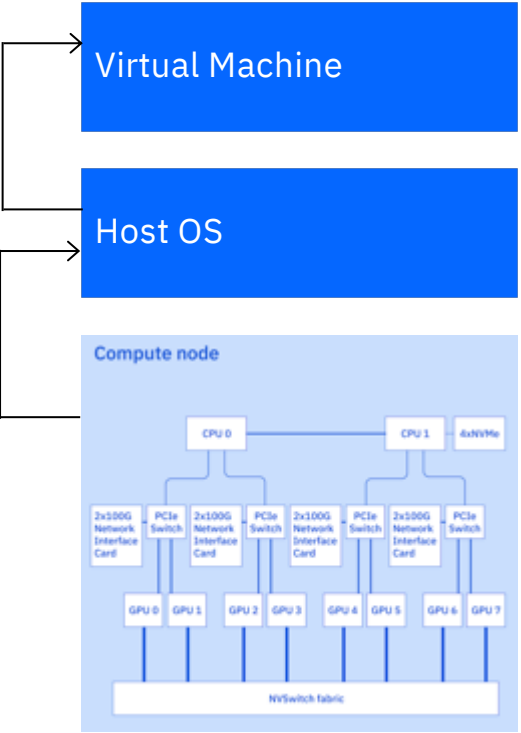
- Compute nodes have complex system architecture
- A layer of virtualization to abstract this complexity is critical to drive usability



# Node Virtualization Software



# Close to Bare Metal Performance with Improved Virtualization



Before	TCP		RoCE		RoCE with GDR	
	BM	VM	BM	VM	BM	VM
1 NIC	7.92	→ 4.5	8.11	→ 1.5	12.12	→ 1.5

After	TCP		RoCE		RoCE with GDR	
	BM	VM	BM	VM	BM	VM
1 NIC	7.92	→ 8.12	8.11	→ 8.09	12.12	→ 12.41
2 NIC	15.03	16.41	16.46	16.48	24.71	24.71
4 NIC	15.32	16.48	16.45	16.47	48.13	48.35
8 NIC	15.7	15.75	16.46	19.94	97.01	96.71

See details in the presentation at [GTC 2021](#)



# Considerations for Adoption of AI Technologies

Unified Platform for Training and Inference



# Software Ecosystem



PyTorch Lightning



DOMINO

cnvrg.io

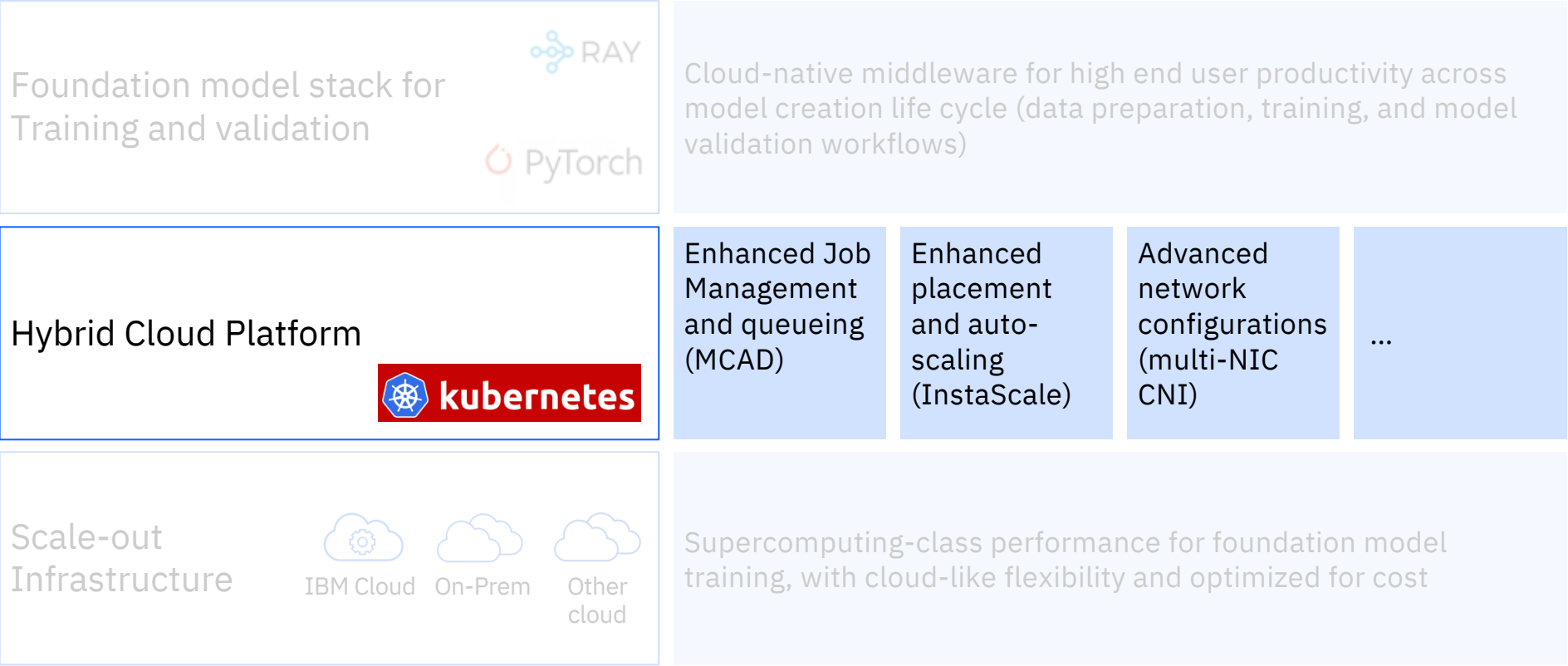


DeepSpeed

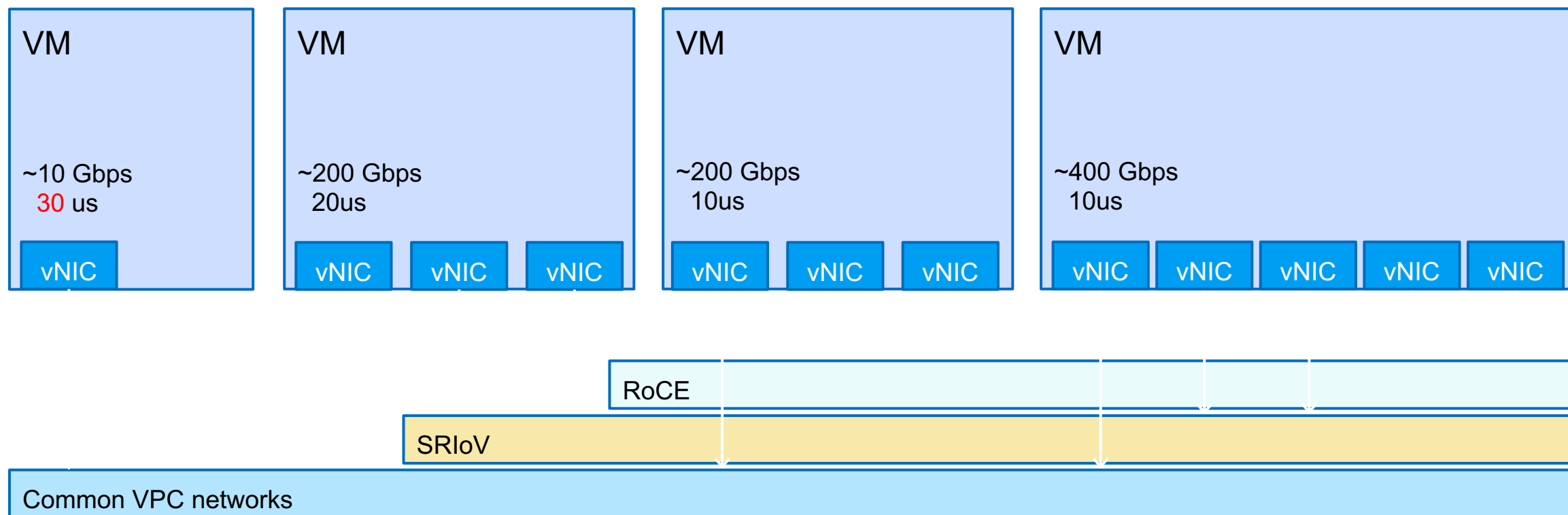


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# A Platform for High-performance, Distributed AI Anywhere

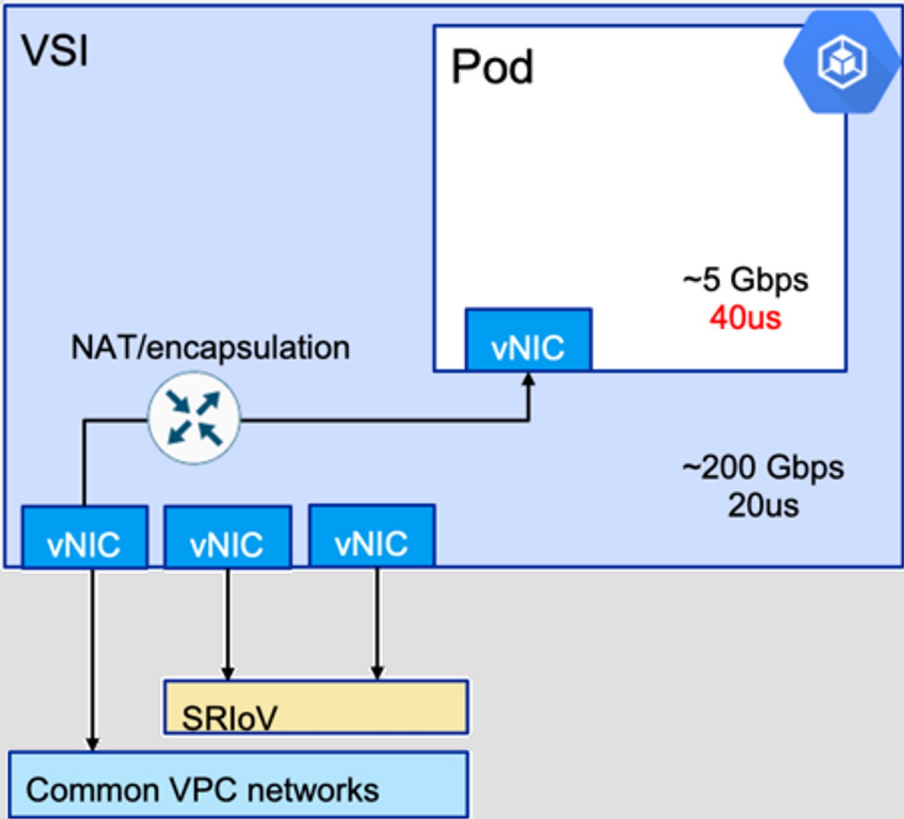


# Networking in AI Infrastructure in the Cloud

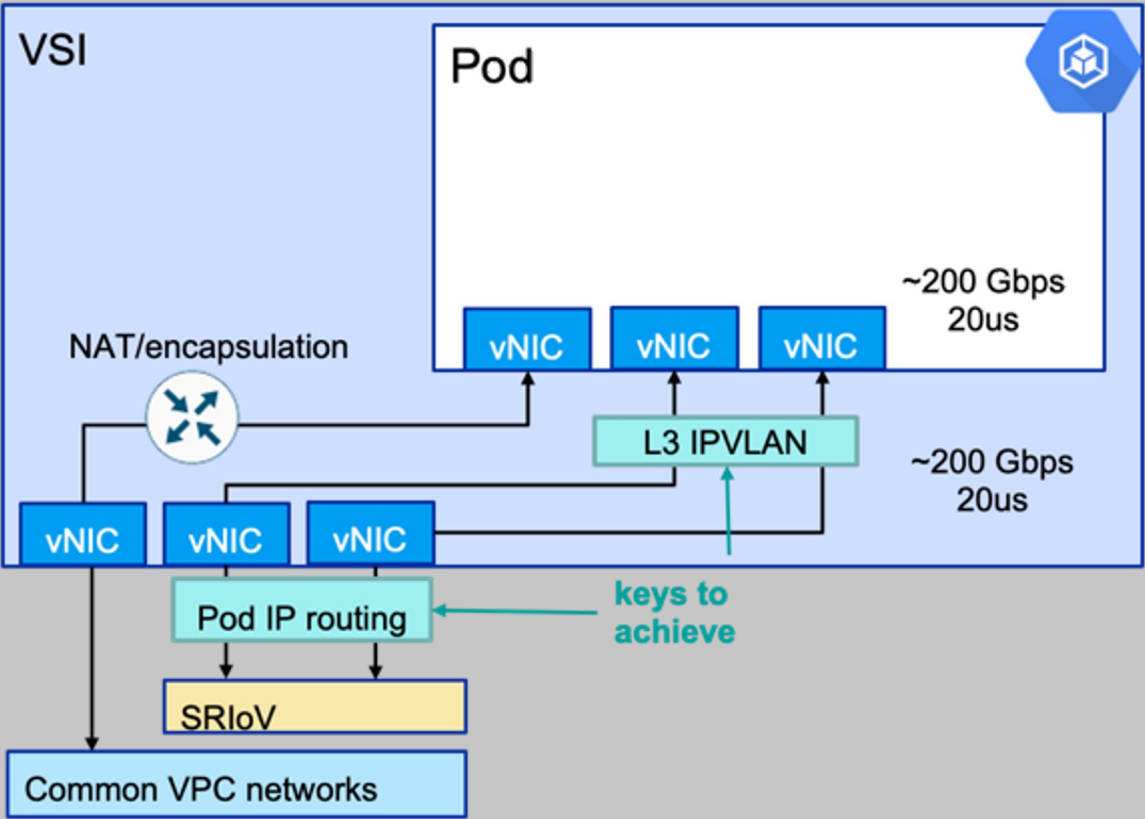


[KubeCon Bath Day](#) presentation with details

What default networks are

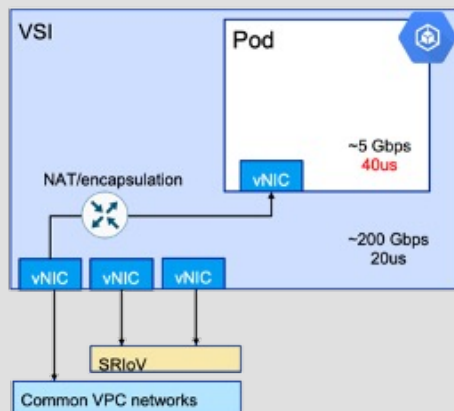


What we need for AI and HPC

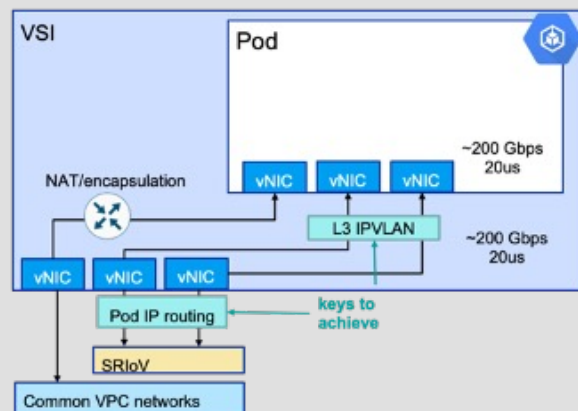




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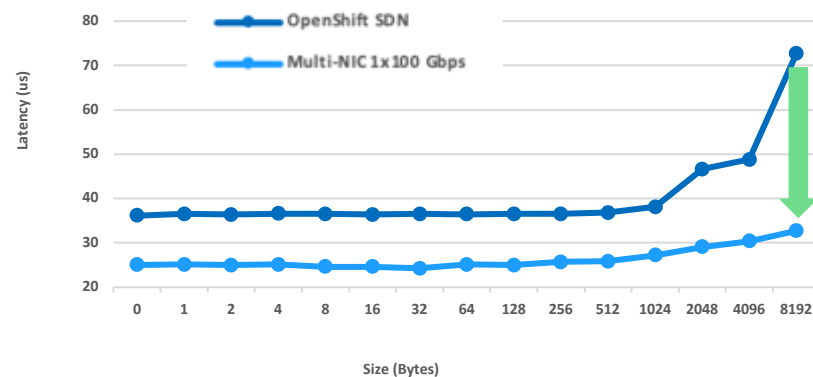


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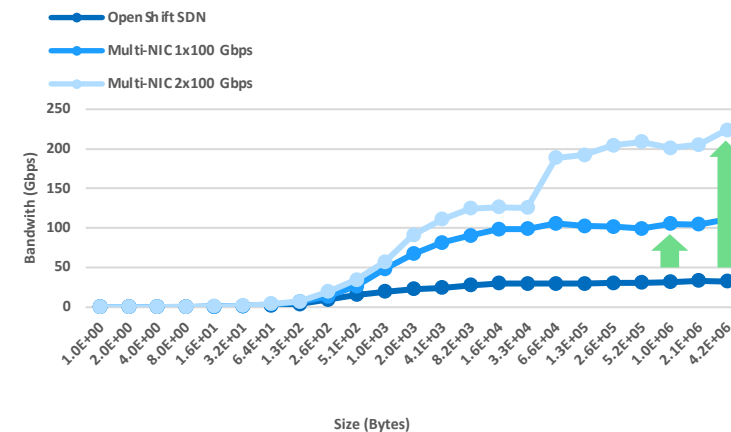
## Half Network Latency

OSU MPI Latency Test v5.9



## 7x Network Bandwidth

OSU MPI Multiple Bandwidth v5.9 – 2 Nodes





# Considerations for Adoption of AI Technologies

Middleware Stack and Tools

# Developer Usability



## END-USER EASE OF USE

Build new models

Migrate existing GPU-based models

## END-USER SUPPORT

Developer Site

GitHub

Forums

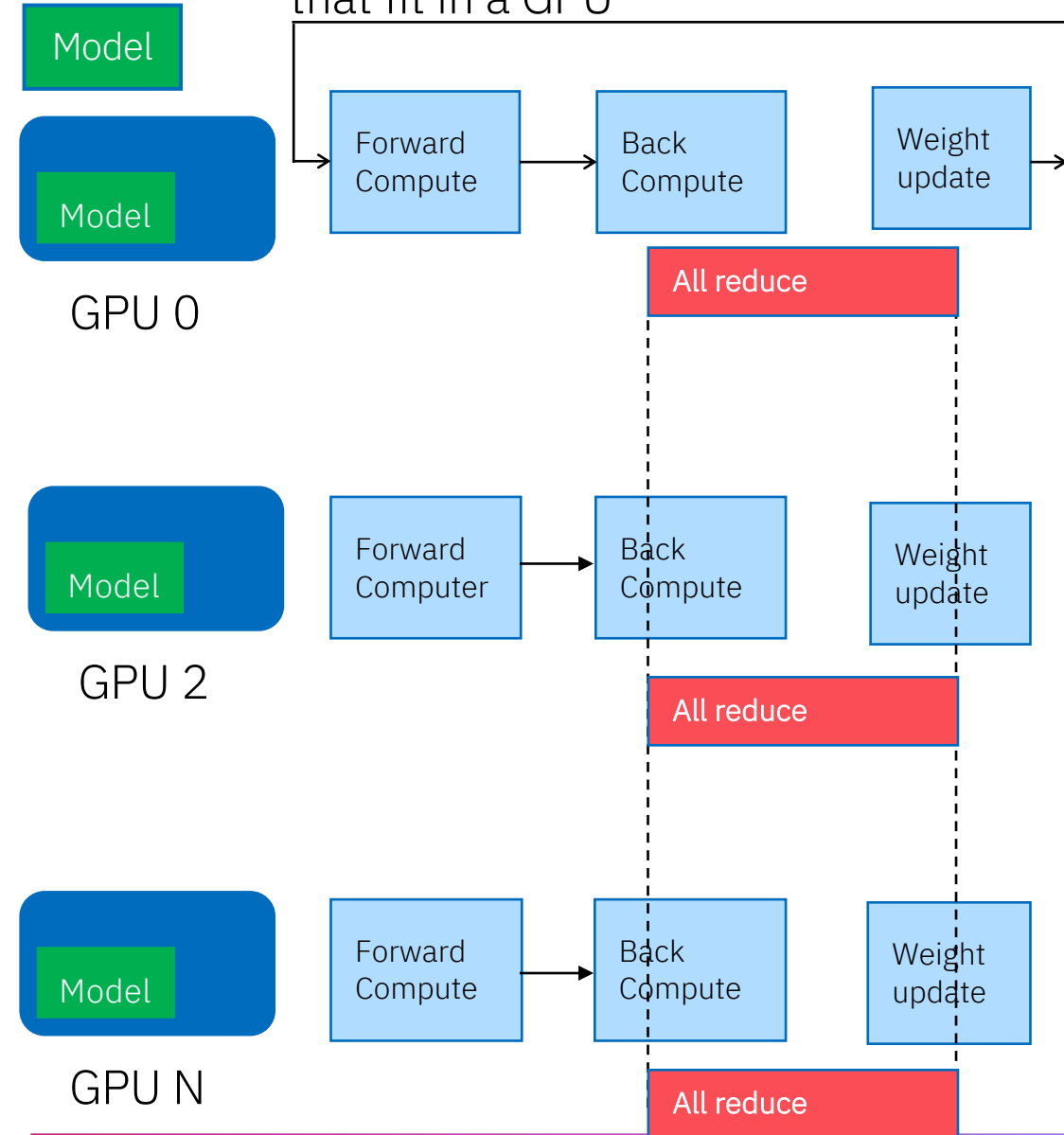
Trainings & Tutorials

## END-USER MODEL ENABLEMENT

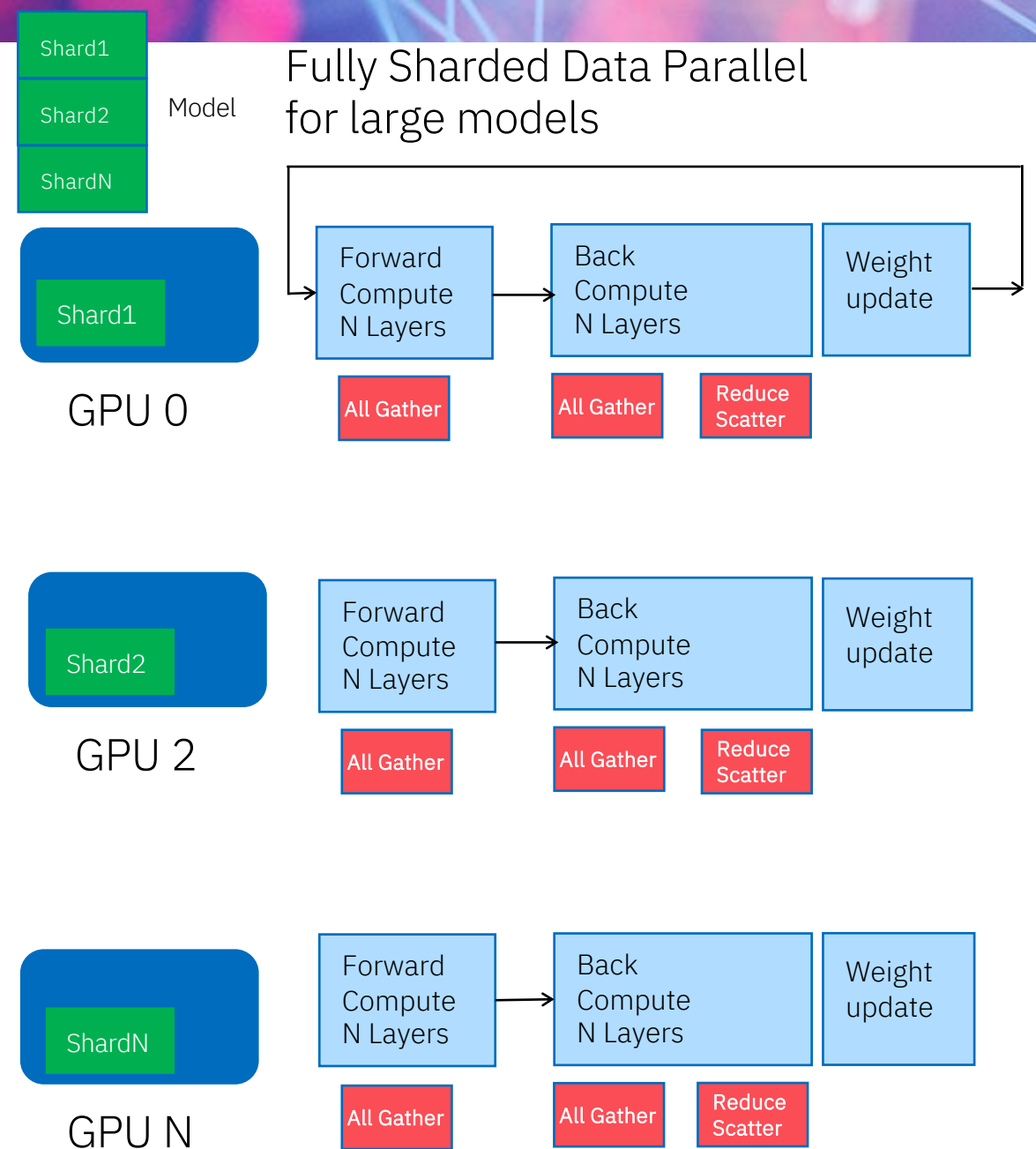
TensorFlow and PyTorch frameworks

Reference code and scripts for popular models

## Distributed Data Parallel for Models that fit in a GPU



## Fully Sharded Data Parallel for large models





# Software Stack to Simplify, Automate, and Scale



Ray Use Cases

Evaluating large language models with Ray in hybrid cloud

Ray Summit 2022

Linsong Chu  
Research Engineer, IBM

- Ray workflows for data pre-processing



## Ray Workflows for model validation

GLUE  
Benchmarking



QA Benchmarking



Sentiment Workloads



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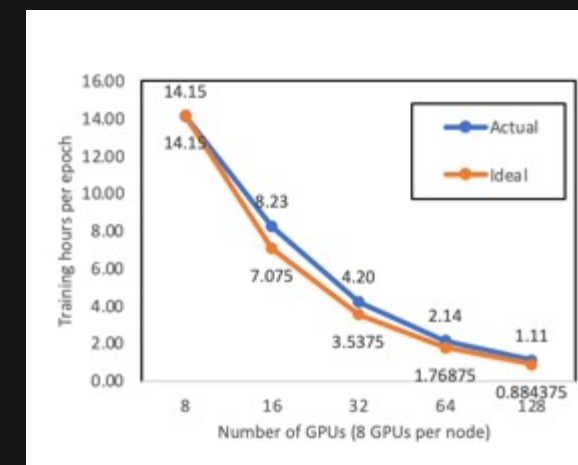
## Scaling PyTorch FSDP for Training Foundation Models on IBM Cloud

by Linsong Chu, Less Wright, Hamid Shojanazeri, Sophia Wen, Raghu Ganti, Geeta Chauhan

- 80-90+% parallel efficiency has been demonstrated for:

- Time series model
- NLP models (BERT, RoBERTa, T5, etc)
- Cyber Security
- Code (Project Wisdom)
- More to come

FSDP T5 Model training  
(11 B parameters)



# Conclusions

- AI workload compute requirements are doubling every 10 months
- AI adoption will accelerate and influence many industries
- Scale out infrastructure that is flexible and cost-effective is critical to capitalize on this new technology
- Users need a unified cloud-native platform for training and inference
- Technologies like Kubernetes, Pytorch, Ray, SynapseAI SDK enable AI developers to quickly leverage AI technologies in their application use cases

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