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Agenda

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Brazil Overview

- Largest country in South America with a dynamic telecommunications sector (more than 344 M contracts in Telco sector).
- Integration of AI/ML transforming network operations, security, and user experience.

Role of ANATEL:

- Regulates and promotes AI/ML adoption in Brazil's telecom sector
- Participates in international forums to align with global best practices



Setting the Scene: The Importance of AI/ML in Future Networks*

•Network Optimization:

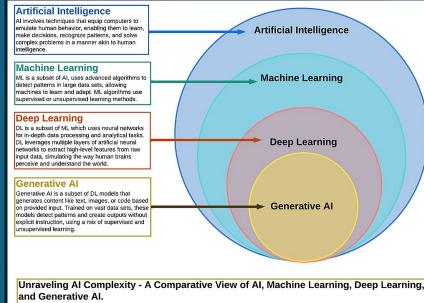
- AI/ML for predicting network congestion and managing bandwidth efficiently
- Predictive maintenance reducing operational costs and preventing network failures

•Enhanced Security:

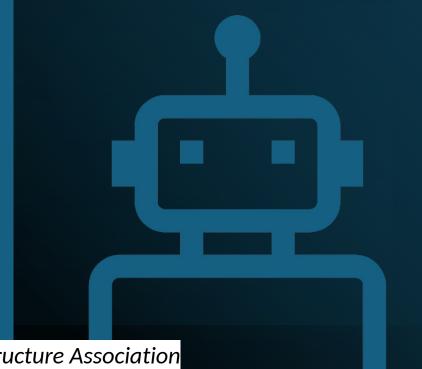
- Al-based security systems detecting and neutralizing cyber threats in real-time
- Regulatory frameworks should incorporate AI/ML in cybersecurity protocols

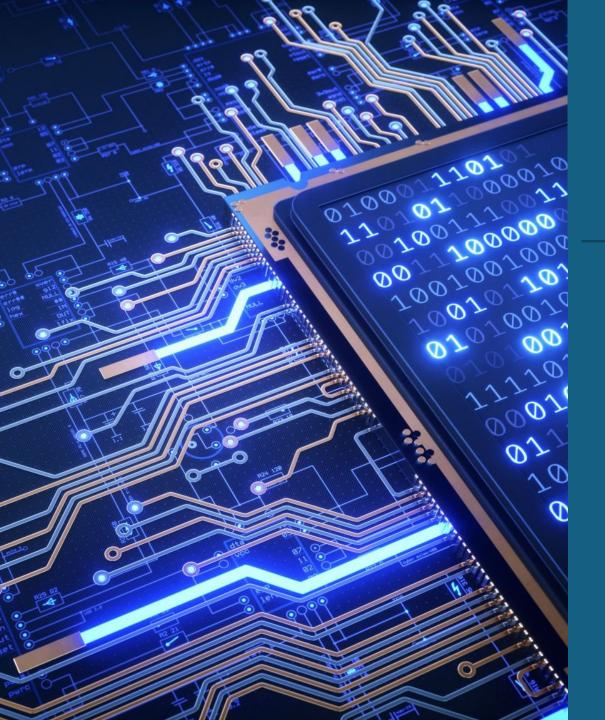
User Experience (UX) Enhancement:

- Al chatbots providing 24/7 support, quick query resolution, higher customer satisfaction
- Personalized content using AI/ML, tailored user experiences, enhanced engagement



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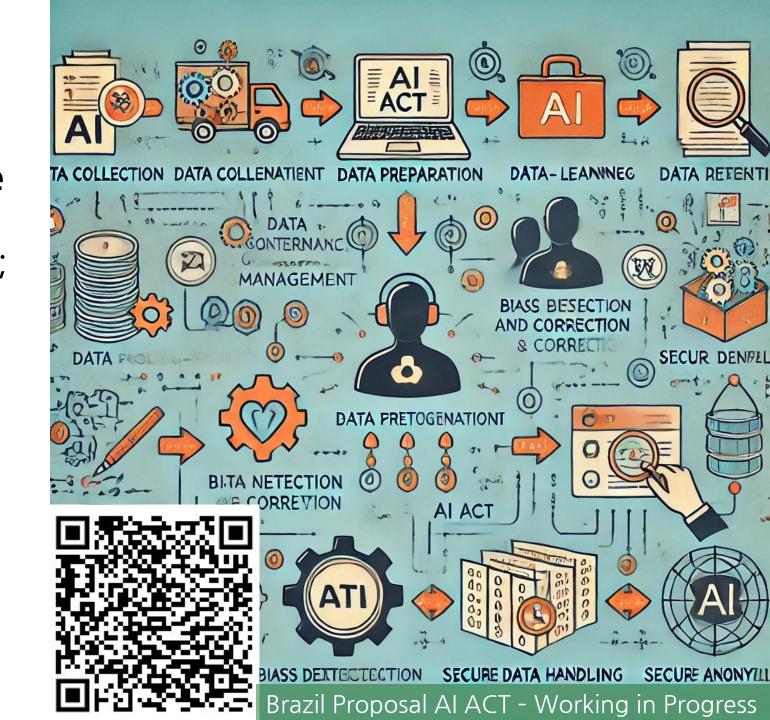


The Role of Standards in AI/ML Integration

- Interoperability: Standards ensure AI/ML applications work seamlessly across different systems, facilitating broader adoption and innovation.
- Reliability: Standards provide guidelines for consistent performance of AI/ML models, essential for maintaining service quality and user trust.
- **Security:** Standards establish robust security measures to protect data integrity and privacy, safeguarding networks against cyber threats.

EU Al Act - Article 10

- Stringent data governance for high-risk Al: Ensures quality, relevance, and bias mitigation in datasets; mandates comprehensive data management and safeguards.
- Special data processing:
 Allows handling special
 personal data with strict
 security measures;
 emphasizes transparency,
 accountability, and data
 deletion post-use.



The Oxford Handbook on the Foundations and Regulation of Generative AI

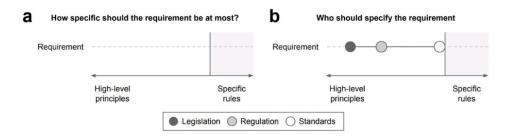


Figure 4: Illustrating the purpose of the two sets of questions

Who should specify the requirement? How specific should the requirement be at most? How much expertise and information do How well-understood are relevant risks? Is it clear what specific behavior would the actors have? • How often do the requirements need to reduce those risks? • How important is legal certainty? be updated and how onerous is the up-· How aligned are the regulatees' incendating process? · How aligned are the actors' incentives tives with the regulatory objective? with the regulatory objective? To what extent are higher-level actors able to oversee lower-level actors?

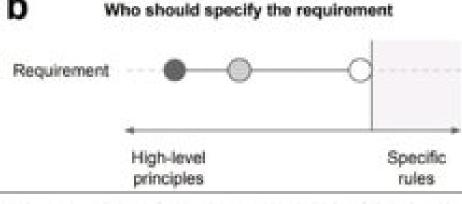
Table 3: Overview of the two sets of questions

Regulatory Spectrum How and Who

- Two Extremes of the Regulatory Spectrum:
- Specific Rules

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- Example: "Frontier AI systems must be evaluated for hazardous model features following the established protocol.
- High-Level Principles
 - Example: "Frontier AI systems must be safe and secure."







Challenges in Al/ML Dataset Management

- **Data Quality**: Ensuring high-quality, accurate, and reliable data through rigorous cleaning and validation processes.
- **Privacy Concerns**: Protecting sensitive user data with robust anonymization, encryption techniques, and regulatory compliance.
- Diverse and Representative Datasets: Collecting data that reflects diverse user behaviors and demographics to avoid bias and ensure fairness.



Box 1.1. Real and potential risks associated with Al systems

The OECD has worked to identify real and potential risks associated with AI systems, including generative AI, across its workstreams. Some risks are listed below:

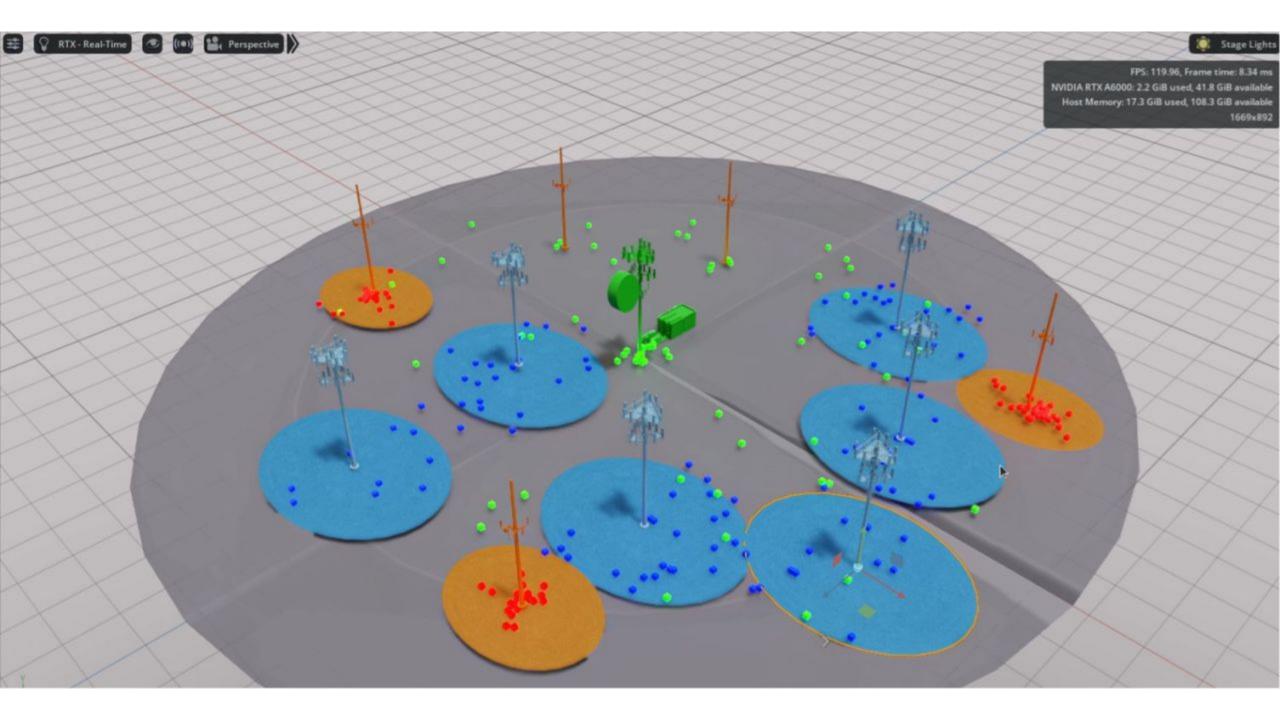
- The amplification of mis- and dis-information at a large scale and scope, particularly through creation of artificial content that humans mistake for real content;
- Al model "hallucinations" that give incorrect or non-factual responses in a credible way, or the generation of illicit images such as fake child sexual exploitation material (e.g. "fake nudes");
- Harmful bias and discrimination at an increased scale;
- Risks to privacy and data governance, at the level of training data, at the model level, at the intersection of data and model levels, or at the human-Al interaction level;
- Challenges to transparency and explainability due to the opacity and complexity of large models;
- The inability to challenge the outcome of models; and,
- Privacy breaches through the leaking or inferring of private information, among others.

Sources: (OECD, 2023_[13]); (OECD, 2023_[14]); (Lorenz, Perset and Berryhill, 2023_[12]).

Case Studies and Success Stories

- Leading Brazilian telecom provider implementing Al-driven network optimization.
- Standards Adherence Followed ITU-T Y.3172, ISO/IEC 27001 and 8000-51 for governance, interoperability and security.
- Positive Outcomes Reduced network congestion and downtime, improved operational efficiency, and enhanced customer satisfaction.





Looking Forward: Future Directions and Innovations

- Autonomous Networks: AI/ML enable self-optimizing, self-healing networks, reducing human intervention and costs.
- **5G and Beyond:** Al optimizes 5G and future 6G networks, enhancing spectrum allocation and user experience.
- Collaborative Research: Essential for developing and updating standards, ensuring interoperability, security, and reliability.



Conclusion

- Revolutionizing Telecommunications: AI/ML technologies enhance network performance, security, and user experience.
- Need for Robust Standards: Continuous evolution of standards is crucial to address emerging challenges and opportunities.
- Essential Collaboration: Ongoing dialogue between researchers, industry, and regulatory organizations ensures standards remain relevant and effective.

Key Takeaway

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- AI/ML technologies are rapidly evolving, profoundly impacting telecommunications.



- AI/ML optimizes network operations, enhances security, and improves user experience.



- Standards ensure interoperability, reliability, and security in AI/ML applications.



- Creating, managing, and utilizing AI/ML datasets involves complexities.



- Issues include data quality, privacy concerns, and the need for diverse datasets.



- The need for ongoing collaborative research to keep standards updated.

Centre of Excellence: AI in Telco?

Regulatory Sandbox?

New Study Group Item?



- Importance of continued dialogue between researchers, industry, and standards/regulatory organizations.

