AI for 5G-Advanced towards 6G

Abstract:

We have entered the era of AI, brought about by three converging forces, including the availability of big data, the invention of deep learning algorithms, and high-performance computing accelerated by GPU. Meanwhile, 5G mobile communication systems are becoming increasingly complex due to the adoption of advanced technology features and the need to support various services with stringent performance requirements. AI has emerged as a powerful technology that improves system performance and enables new functions in 5G-Advanced and 6G. As 3GPP is ramping up AI items for the 5G-Advanced evolution, we anticipate that AI adoption in mobile networks will accelerate beyond proprietary solutions in the coming years. This talk will provide a state-of-the-art overview of AI use in mobile networks by describing the basic concepts, reviewing the recent key advances, discussing details of the 3GPP standardization aspects, and sharing various design rationales influencing standardization.

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