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# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE–BASED PREDICTION OF CRITICAL FAILURES IN 5G NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURES AND REAL TIME QUALITY OF SERVICE (QOS) OPTIMIZATION

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### Abstract

The rapid deployment of fifth-generation (5G) network system brings further complexity, heterogeneity and new performance requirements at the network side as well, which makes it increasingly difficult for telecommunications operators to offer reliable guarantees over QoS. The traditional Rule based and reactive network management mechanism could not be able to easily support static patterns as well as to process such high volumes of data generated in 5G scenarios. In the light of this development, AI has been considered for intelligent failure prediction as well as real-time network optimization.

In this paper a machine learning approach is proposed to predict critical failure of 5G network infrastructure and QoS parameters optimization on the fly. The study adopts a quantitative and experimental methodology leveraging synthetic and real-world (5G) datasets that are publicly accessible. Different types of traditional machine learning and deep learning models, e.g., Random Forest, Support Vector Machines (SVM) and Long Short Term Memory (LSTM) networks are used and compared to predict failures. In addition, a QoS optimization module based on reinforcement learning is introduced to dynamically assign the network bandwidth and optimize the service performance.

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éaliser cette section. Fault prediction based on AIR enforcement engine's enhanced results indicate that the modern approach of LSTM (LONG SHORT TERM MEMORY) with the best accuracy to predict failure is AI compared with conventional methods like clock traffic data. If predictive failure detection is integrated with real-time QoS optimization, such as the network reliability increase, reduced latency, reduced packet loss and an improved level of service to the community of users can be quantified

**Keywords:** Artificial Intelligence, 5G Networks, Failure Prediction, Quality of Service, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Network Optimization.

### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Background of 5G Network Infrastructures

The fifth generation mobile network (5G) is a tremendous advancement over previous generations, to cater for unprecedented higher connectivity density, ultra low latency, very high data rates and massive number of devices. Unlike past cellular systems, 5G is designed to support varied application types such as enhanced Mobile Broadband (eMBB), Ultra-Reliable Low-Latency Communications (URLLC) and massive Machine-Type Communications (mMTC). These service classes make possible advanced services, such as autonomous vehicles, smart cities, industrial automation and., remote healthcare and immersive multimedia services. (Akinlabi, 2025, p12)

5G networks are architected based on software-driven approaches like Software Defined Networking (SDN), Network Function Virtualization(NFV), network slicing and cloud-native technologies. These models enable network operators to: a) dynamically assign resources; b) tailor network behavior; and c) efficiently introduce new services. But by adding these features, to increase flexibility and scalability, they also inherently extend the complexity and footprint of the infrastructure. Therefore in large-scale 5G deployments, it is getting more

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challenging to guarantee network reliability, service continuity and constant QoS. 24( Venkateswarlu Gudepu et al., 2024, p241)

### 1.2 Complexity and Reliability Challenges in 5G Networks

The heterogeneity and high distribution of 5G networks lead to their complexity. Its bare-bones architecture consists of radio access networks (RAN), edge computing nodes, centralized cloud data centers as well as virtualized core network functions. Every single part of it works under tight performance requirements and touch multiple layers of hardware and software stacks. Besides, 5G networks are also required to dynamically accommodate traffic patterns, mobility, application diversity in real time.

Reliability is compromised because reliance on virtualization and software control function increases. Malfunctions of virtual network functions, orchestration platforms or communication links can spread rapidly across the network and cause failures in providing service or even complete outages. Conventional network management methods, frequently relying on reactive, rule-driven processes are inadequate to address this complexity. As a result, there is an increasing demand for intelligent and proactive approaches that can predict failures before they happen thus reducing the impact of failures on network performance. (Almeida, 2024, p33)

### 1.3 Critical Failures in 5G: Causes and Impacts

Failures in 5G networks can be caused by diverse factors such as hardware failure, software bugs or misconfiguration compromising the network, cyber-attacks and abnormal traffic overflow. Unlike 4G, where single failures can be contained in isolation, 5G was designed to be tightly-coupled to all network elements and services. For instance, a failure in one instance of a virtualized core network function could affect multiple NSs at the same time, affecting several services and users. (Alnfai, 2025, p50)

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Critical failures are especially significant in ultra-reliable low-latency (URLL) communication applications, e.g., autonomous driving, remote surgery and industrial control [8]. In these scenarios, even small disturbances can lead to serious economic losses, safety hazards or SLA violations. Thus early detections allowing for the accurate prognosis of critical failures are necessary to maintain service operations and fulfill the stringent performance expectations in 5G applications. (Al Thaedan, 2024, p61)

### 1.4 Role of Artificial Intelligence in Modern Network Management

Artificial intelligence (AI) has been identified as an important facilitator for intelligent management of networks in the upcoming communication systems. Artificial intelligence (AI) based systems using machine learning and deep learning paradigms can be used to understand the data in large network packets and patterns, take decisions with less or no human interaction. AI can be implemented in 5G networks, for example, for traffic forecasting, anomaly detection, fault diagnosis and recovery, resource allocation and QoS optimization. (Yin et al., 2020, p251)

Applications of AI-driven models are multiple, and being able to benefit from both past and current data (i.e. history), as well as improve performance over time due to a better understanding of the network behavior, makes AI-driven solutions very attractive compared to classical techniques. This makes them well suited for pro-active failure prediction and real-time optimisation in highly dynamic 5G environments. As a result, the role of AI in network management paradigms is now being regarded as a necessity rather than a fancy add-on. (Bikkasani & Yerabolu, 2024, p73)

### 1.5 Research Problem Statement

Even though AI covering methods are increasingly applied in the field of telecommunications, we believe that current network management solutions still suffer from severe limitations in accurate prediction of high-impact failures and

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QoS in real time. Most existing solutions address the failure or QoS management separately without regarding their interconnection. Furthermore, some existing models are based on offline processing and static data, thus lack the practical value in real 5G networks with dynamic network behaviour where continuous data are collected. (Bikkasani & Yerabolu, 2024, p88)

The main research problem is the absence of an AI-based unified framework to forecast catastrophic failures in 5G network infrastructure and for QoS enhancement on the fly. Solving this problem relies on smart models, able to understand heterogeneous network data, predict failures in advance of their occurrence and dynamically vary network parameters in order to keep quality of service (QoS) guaranteed. (Al Thaedan, 2024, p61)

### 1.6 Research Objectives

The main focus of this study is an AI-enabled model for predicting catastrophic failures in 5G network and QoS optimization on the fly. For this purpose, the study intends to:

- Investigate the primary causes and features of critical faults in 5G network infrastructure.
- Explore the feasibility of machine learning and deep learning methods in failure prediction in 5G networks.
- Train AI-driven models for predicting potential failures using data about the network in real-time.
- Design a QoS optimization system that is adaptive in nature, and is based on AI-driven predictions.
- Measure how the proposed framework performs with relevant measures and experiments.

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### 1.7 Research Questions and Hypotheses

The research questions addressed by this study are:

- How the AI techniques can be used for predicting catastrophic failures in the infrastructures of 5G networks?
- What are the best AI models for better accuracy and reliability on predicting failures in dynamic network conditions?
- How far can AI-driven failure prediction advance real-time QoS optimization for 5G networks?
- With respect to these issues, this study develops the following hypotheses:
  - With the help of AI-based models, critical failures in new 5G can be predicted more accurate than classical rule based methods.
  - By combining the failure based prediction with real-time QoS optimization, we can achieve significant performance improvement and reliability of network services.
  - Deep learning approach has proven to have the superior performance in modeling varying time series of 5G mobile network data, compared with traditional machine learning methods.

### 1.8 Significance of the Study

The importance of this study could be the possible contributions for academics and practitioners. From a research perspective, this work contributes to the state of knowledge in AI-based network management with an integrated framework which includes failure prediction and QoS optimization. It further adds to the expanding literature of intelligent 5G network operations by filling existing research blind spots.

The novel methods can provide benefits to industrial networking operators with increased system reliability, reduced down-time and better quality of experience. The framework will support predictive maintenance and the optimization of real-

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time running leading to lower operational costs, and will facilitate mission-critical 5G application deployments.

## 2. Literature Review

### 2.1 Overview of 5G Network Architecture

The architecture of the 5G network deviates fundamentally from the architectures of earlier generations of mobile networks by incorporating a cloud-native, service-oriented architecture (SA) that facilitates modular and scalable networking functions as well as independent control and user plane monitoring. 5G dismantles the monolithic core whereby virtualised network functions having loose coupling such as Access and Mobility Management Function (AMF), Session Management Function (SMF), User Plane Function (UPF) Policy Control Function (PCF) among others are interconnected through service-based APIs. The model allows flexibility, support virtualization, network slicing and inter-working services of different applications (Dong et al., 2020, p86)

Also, the 5G Radio Access Network (RAN) moves forward with O-RAN and disaggregated solutions to provide programmability, automation, AI/ML integration for dynamic optimization. (Yuan et al., 2021, p261)

### 2.2 Types of Failures in 5G Network Infrastructures

Failure of 5G networks exist at different levels because of the diversity and distribution of their components. Such failures may involve faults in physical infrastructure (e.g., base stations, fronthaul/backhaul links), network functions of SDR type, orchestration and virtualization layer, and D-PU. These failures can be transient (e.g., packet loss, jitter bursts) or structural (e.g., service outages for certain types of slices). Faults can be due to hardware component failures, software malfunctioning, misconfigured systems, overloads in peak traffic times and even attacks that take advantage of the virtualization layer. Cascading failures are very critical for 5G, because network functions in 5G rely on each

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other and have strong concurrence between layers, thus traditional detection tools are difficult to use due to its passive action.(Ghanem et al., 2021, p99)

### 2.3 Traditional Failure Detection and Prediction Techniques

Traditional network fault detection methods are prone to be rule-based monitoring, threshold alarm and human management. These are reactive in nature that constantly keeps track of KPIs and sends a notification when the threshold value is higher than the setup limit. Nevertheless, considering the diversity and dynamics of 5G traffic and service requirements, these methods have difficulty in identifying complex multi-dimensional patterns as precursors to impending faults, especially when facing large data loads or network slicing changes. As networks grow larger and larger, the sheer amount of time-series data to be collected, along with urgent real-time decision making needs make these approaches impractical because they are too slow and far too naive, hence the need for more sophisticated analytical tools. (Ghanem et al., 2021, p101)

### 2.4 Machine Learning Approaches in Network Failure Prediction

Machine learning (ML) methods have been increasingly used to predict the network failures due to their capability of extracting complex patterns from historical and real-time data. For example, Random Forest, Support Vector Machines (SVM), Gradient Boosting and ensemble models are used in supervised learning to classify network states and detect anomalies leading to failures. For instance, ML models developed from heterogeneous network performance metrics can identify non-linear relationships and correlations that preemptively indicate degradation better than static thresholding approaches. Experiments in 5G scenarios show that tree-based and ensemble methods can achieve high predictive performance in a controllable, controlled setting, thus proving that ML systems may prove sound as predictive failure detectors. (Gu et al., 2020, p111)

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### 2.5 Deep Learning Models for Network Monitoring

Deep Learning (DL) models enhance the power of conventional ML by using neural network architectures capable of learning hierarchical representations that capture sequential and temporal patterns in network data. Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) such as LSTM and GRU have been specifically effective for time series analysis are well aligned for failure prediction and dynamic behavior modeling of network metrics within 5G. Other hybrid architectures that fuse CNN with combined LSTM were also studied to capture the spatial and temporal features from the network telemetry data in context of network slicing, load balancing. (Zhang et al., 2023, p271)

### 2.6 AI-Based QoS Management in 5G Networks

In this context, QoS management integrated with AI allows networks to be effectively pro-active by reacting to varying conditions and service requirements. Static traditional means of QoS do not adapt to the dynamic and diverse needs of 5G use cases. Through the use of learning-based modeling, dynamic traffic classification and network slice performance estimation as well as adaptive resource control to drive improved throughput, latency and reliability for all services. Recent works summarizes some ML-based QoS frameworks that achieve better performance than reactive approaches by re-allocating resources according to anticipated load of traffic and the importance of services. (Hurtado Sánchez et al., 2022, 124)

### 2.7 Real-Time Optimization Techniques in Telecommunications

Real-time optimization in telecommunications uses adaptive, low-latency mechanisms that are able to adjust network parameters on-the-fly. Reinforcement learning (RL) and deep reinforcement learning (DRL) have become popular in dynamic environments, including spectrum allocation, traffic routing, or network slice adaptation for keeping service qualities. The DRL

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agents learn the optimal decision policy by interacting with the environment iteratively, which is particularly well-suited for online constraints and dynamic 5G environments. These methods allow networks to achieve low-latency, control congestion, and proactively load balance, thereby representing significant advances over static optimization techniques. (Skocaj et al., 2023, p231)

### 3. Theoretical Framework and Conceptual Model

#### 3.1 Artificial Intelligence Concepts Relevant to Network Management

Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology is a key enabler for the next-generation network management systems, especially in analyzing highly complicated and dynamic environments like 5G networks. AI includes a collection of computation methods, which allow the systems to sense the environment, learn from experience in order to take toward an optimal decision with neglecting the possibility that this objective is nonattainable. In the case of network management, machine learning hits to enabling automated/off/on; adaptable; and predictive behaviours beyond what can be achieved with rule-based approaches. (Hussein et al., 2025, p137)

Notable AI concepts for network management are machine learning, deep learning and reinforcement learning. These paradigms lead to the intelligent processing and analysis of large network telemetry data, such as traffic traces, latency measurements, packet loss characteristics, signal quality levels and resource usage statistics. Through historical and live data learning, AI-based tools are able to identify anomalies, predict failures and preemptively optimize resource usage. This intelligent operation is in line with 5G networks, which requires ultra-low latency, extreme reliability and the optimization of network resource utilization for dynamic scenes. (Hussein et al., 2025, p215)

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### 3.2 Supervised vs. Unsupervised Learning in Failure Prediction

The machine learning techniques that can be used to predict failure in 5G links are divided into supervised and unsupervised methods, each having its own advantages and drawbacks<sub>GC03</sub>. Supervised learning trains on labeled datasets whereby annotated failure events or network operation states are mapped onto historical data. Standard supervised algorithms include Random Forest, Support Vector Machine and neural networks that are trained on input features using various techniques to output predefined classes, used for making accurate predictions of upcoming failures when annotated data is abundant. (Islam, 2022, p146)

Unsupervised learning, on the other hand, need not utilize labeled data but isolates hidden structures or anomalies in networking data. Approaches such as clustering, autoencoders, and density-based anomaly detection are especially useful for the identification of new or infrequent failure patterns. In highly dynamic 5G networks, where annotated failure traces might be hard or expensive to obtain and the lack of labeled failure data exists, unsupervised learning is a promising way out for early failure detection. (Islam, 2022, p155)

### 3.3 Reinforcement Learning for QoS Optimization

Reinforcement Learning (RL) has become one of the most promising theoretical frameworks to enable real-time QoS optimization in 5G networks. Unlike supervised learning, RL is concerned with discovery of an optimal policy for taking decisions based on experienced environment interactions. An RL agent observes the network status, takes decisions (e.g., resource provision or routing modification), and receives reward signals (e.g., latency decrease, throughput and packet loss) in response to selected actions. (Kalamari, 2021–2022, p156)

In 5G networks, RL is well fitted because of the capability to adjust in non-stationarity environments and varying traffic scenarios. Deep Reinforcement Learning (DRL), where deep neural networks and RL principles are combined,

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can provide a scalable way for learning policies in high-dimensional state spaces. Theoretical models of RL are particularly promising as they can result in continuing refinement network decision policies on-the-fly across multiple services and network slices to optimise QoS, taking into account diverse objectives. (Kalamari, 2021–2022, p214)

### 3.4 Feature Engineering for 5G Network Data

Feature engineering is crucial in the success of AI-based failure prediction and QoS optimization models. The raw network data in 5G is typically high-dimensional, heterogeneous and contains lots of noise. The conversion of this raw data into meaningful features is a critical step for improving model accuracy, generalization and interpretability. (Khan et al., 2021, p166)

It is possible to have radio-level indicators (e.g., signal-to-noise ratio, reference signal received power), traffic-level metrics (e.g., packet arrival rates, throughput) and system-level parameters (e.g., CPU usage of virtual network functions, memory consumption, latency distributions). Temporal statistics are of special interest to capture the dynamical behavior of networks and detect early hints of failure conditions. (Khan et al., 2021, p187)

From an intuition standpoint, the less complexity we put on our models, it will result less prone to overfitting and better tasking AI models with understanding causality relations between network conditions and failures. It is thus an important step for the prediction and optimization module of a proposed framework.

### 3.5 Proposed Conceptual Framework

On the theoretic basis of above, we present an integrated model framework that combines AI-based failure prediction with online QoS optimization. The architecture of the framework is composed by a hierarchy of modules for data

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gathering, feature extraction, failure prediction, decision making and QoS tuning. (Lenka, 2023, p176)

Network telemetry are fed continuously from the numerous layers of 5G infrastructure and pass through a feature engineering module. These features are then input into AI-based prediction models to predict critical failures. This failure risk is input to QoS optimization, which dynamically reduces the probability of service degradation using reinforcement learning techniques. The former approach favors dynamic and predictive adaptation of network resources to achieve a desired connection reliability. The key point here is proactive and adaptive control of the migration process under the consideration that predictive information can be used to directly drive real-time control strategies. The framework on close integration of failure prediction with QoS optimization for improved network reliability, survivability and service quality. (Lenka, 2023, p89)

### 3.6 Hypothesized Relationships Between Variables

The conceptual model posits a number of relationships between the key variables. 1 easyReed has been audited and is feature based SPRUCE starting from advanced AI algorithms: Ideally, learning-to-rank models for the failure prediction task are best by their ability to render not only more accurate predictions but also clear explanations about how ranks of examples should be formed. Second, with more accurate failure prediction we expect that real-time QoS optimization can be made more effective by offering some amount of delay slack for allowing the system to rectify the failures. (Mansoori & Agrawal, 2025, p185)

Furthermore, it is speculated that failure prediction and QoS performance are connected by reinforcement learning-based optimization mechanisms. In fact, valid forecasting alone not enough and must be translated into a timely control action. Last, the model assumes that there is an added value of combining

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prediction and optimisation modules for better network performance compared to isolated/reaction approaches. (Omheni, 2025, p196)

These speculative links are the focus of testing in the data section of this work.

### 4. Research Methodology

The current study uses a quantitative experimental research model designed to create and qualify an artificial-intelligence-based structure for forecasting major flaws in 5G network infrastructures by enhancing the level of Quality of Service (QoS) on a real-time basis. The study takes a comparative and predictive modeling approach in which more than one AI models are used, trained, tested under same experimental protocol. (Rahmayanti, 2025, p211)

The approach consists of two main elements:

- Failure Prediction: this line focuses on Ji et al.'s work and aims to understand in advance critical failures which are about to occur during normal operations using historical network data and real-time network monitoring data.
- QoS Optimization - that dynamically optimizes network settings based on expected failure risks.
- The embodiment provides an integrated design to have predictive intelligence affecting the optimization decisions, thus proactive and adaptive network management.

### 4.2 Dataset Description and Data Sources

The dataset utilized in this study is a multi-dimensional telemetry data that captures operational states of 5G network infrastructures. The data are obtained from synthetic 5G environments and/or anonymized operational datasets that correspond to real network scenarios. (Saini et al., 2025, p221)

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**Table 4.1 Dataset Description**

Attribute Category	Description
Network Layer	RAN, Core Network, Virtualized Network Functions
Data Type	Time-series, numerical, categorical
Sampling Interval	1–10 seconds
Total Records	>100,000 instances
Failure Labels	Normal / Degraded / Critical Failure
QoS Indicators	Latency, Throughput, Packet Loss, Jitter

The dataset includes both normal operational states and failure-prone conditions, enabling robust model training and evaluation.

### 4.3 Data Preprocessing and Normalization

Raw network data are often noisy, incomplete, and heterogeneous. Therefore, extensive preprocessing is conducted before model training.

**Table 4.2 Data Preprocessing Steps**

Step	Description
Data Cleaning	Removal of corrupted and duplicated records
Missing Values	Mean/median imputation
Outlier Handling	Interquartile Range (IQR) method
Temporal Alignment	Synchronization of KPIs across layers
Normalization	Min–Max and Z-score normalization

For time-series modeling, sliding window techniques are applied to convert continuous streams into sequential input samples suitable for LSTM networks.

### 4.4 Feature Selection Techniques

Given the high dimensionality of 5G network data, feature selection is crucial to improve learning efficiency and prediction accuracy.

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**Table 4.3 Feature Selection Methods**

Method	Purpose
Correlation Analysis	Remove redundant features
Variance Threshold	Eliminate low-variance attributes
Random Forest Importance	Identify high-impact predictors
Domain Knowledge Filtering	Preserve operationally significant KPIs

This hybrid selection strategy balances statistical relevance and network engineering significance.

### 4.5 AI Models Used for Failure Prediction

Three AI models are employed to evaluate predictive performance across different learning paradigms.

#### 4.5.1 Random Forest

Random Forest is utilized due to its robustness, interpretability, and resistance to overfitting. It aggregates multiple decision trees to enhance prediction accuracy.

**Table 4.4 Random Forest Configuration**

Parameter	Value
Number of Trees	100–300
Maximum Depth	Auto
Criterion	Gini Index
Feature Sampling	$\sqrt{(\text{total features})}$

#### 4.5.2 Support Vector Machines

Support Vector Machines (SVM) are used for binary and multi-class classification of network states.

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**Table 4.5 SVM Configuration**

Parameter	Value
Kernel Type	RBF
Regularization (C)	1.0
Gamma	Auto
Class Weight	Balanced

### 4.5.3 Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) Networks

LSTM networks are implemented to capture temporal dependencies in network performance indicators.

**Table 4.6 LSTM Architecture**

Layer	Configuration
Input Layer	Time-series KPIs
LSTM Layers	2 layers (64, 32 units)
Dropout	0.2
Output Layer	Softmax
Optimizer	Adam

### 4.6 QoS Optimization Framework

The QoS optimization framework employs reinforcement learning principles to dynamically control network resources.

**Table 4.7 QoS Optimization Components**

Component	Description
State Space	Network KPIs + Failure Risk
Action Space	Bandwidth allocation, priority scheduling
Reward Function	QoS improvement – penalty
Learning Type	Deep Reinforcement Learning

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This framework ensures that predicted failures directly influence optimization actions.

### 4.7 Model Training and Validation

Models are trained using an 80/10/10 split for training, validation, and testing datasets.

**Table 4.8 Training and Validation Strategy**

Aspect	Description
Cross-Validation	5-fold
Hyperparameter Tuning	Grid Search
Overfitting Control	Early Stopping
Training Epochs	50–100

### 4.8 Evaluation Metrics

Evaluation metrics are selected to comprehensively assess predictive accuracy and network performance.

**Table 4.9 Failure Prediction Metrics**

Metric	Description
Accuracy	Overall correctness
Precision	Failure prediction reliability
Recall	Detection sensitivity
F1-score	Balanced performance
AUC-ROC	Discriminative power

**Table 4.10 QoS Performance Metrics**

Metric	Objective
Latency	Minimize
Throughput	Maximize
Packet Loss	Minimize
Service Availability	Maximize

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### 4.9 Ethical Considerations and Data Privacy

All datasets are de-identified and do not contain any personal information. The research is conducted in compliance with ethical guidelines for fairness, transparency and accountability in AI-based decision-making.

We focus on explain ability, as non-transparent AI decisions in network management may lead to operational hazards. Thus, we emphasize interpretable models and human-in-the-loop supervision.

## 5. System Architecture and Proposed Model

### 5.1 Overall System Architecture

The aim of the proposed system architecture is to enable proactive failure prediction and QoS optimization in 5G (and beyond) network infrastructures based on the integration of AI techniques. The architecture incorporates layered and modular principles for scalability and flexibility, while still functioning with current 5G management frameworks.

At macro level, the architecture is composed of six key layers: data acquisition, pre-processing and feature extraction, AI-based failure prediction, QoS optimization system, decision making & feedback system and implementation. These layers interoperate to provide real-time and predictive monitoring and control over the behavior in a network. The modular architecture lets each piece be independently updated or changed, supporting the dynamic development of 5G environments.

### 5.2 Data Collection Layer

The data collection layer is responsible for gathering real-time and historical telemetry data from various components of the 5G network. This layer interfaces with the Radio Access Network (RAN), core network functions, virtualization platforms, and network orchestration systems.

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**Table 5.1 Data Sources and Collected Parameters**

Source Component	Collected Parameters
RAN	Signal strength, SINR, handover rate
Core Network	Latency, packet loss, session failures
Virtualized Functions	CPU usage, memory utilization
Traffic Monitoring	Throughput, flow statistics
Network Slices	SLA compliance indicators

The data collection layer operates continuously and supports high-frequency sampling to ensure timely detection of abnormal patterns. To minimize overhead, data aggregation and filtering mechanisms are employed before forwarding data to higher layers.

### 5.3 AI-Based Failure Prediction Module

The heart of the proposed system is the AI-based module for failure prediction. It takes engineered features derived from network telemetry data, and uses them to predict whether we are likely to experience critical failures in the near future. This module combines several AI models such as Random Forest, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Long Short-term Memory (LSTM) networks for representing static and transitory features of network activities.

**Table 5.2 Failure Prediction Module Components**

Component	Function
Feature Input Layer	Receives processed KPIs
Prediction Engine	Executes AI models
Risk Estimator	Computes failure probability
Alert Generator	Triggers early warnings

The prediction output is expressed as a failure risk score, which reflects the probability and severity of an impending failure. This score is continuously updated and passed to the QoS optimization module for proactive mitigation.

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### 5.4 Real-Time QoS Optimization Module

The real-time QoS optimization module utilizes predicted failure risks to dynamically adjust network parameters and maintain service quality. This module is based on reinforcement learning principles, where an intelligent agent learns optimal control strategies by interacting with the network environment.

**Table 5.3 QoS Optimization Parameters**

Parameter	Optimization Objective
Bandwidth Allocation	Maximize throughput
Scheduling Priority	Minimize latency
Routing Policies	Reduce congestion
Slice Resource Share	Ensure SLA compliance

By integrating predictive insights, the optimization module acts preemptively rather than reactively. This approach allows the system to mitigate degradation before it impacts end users, especially for latency-sensitive and mission-critical applications.

### 5.5 Decision-Making and Feedback Mechanism

The decision-making and feedback mechanism serves as the coordination layer between prediction and optimization components. It evaluates AI-generated recommendations and determines appropriate control actions based on predefined policies and real-time constraints.

**Table 5.4 Decision and Feedback Workflow**

Stage	Description
Risk Assessment	Analyze failure probability
Policy Evaluation	Verify SLA and constraints
Action Selection	Choose optimal control action
Execution	Apply changes to network
Feedback Loop	Monitor outcomes and update models

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This closed-loop feedback system ensures continuous learning and adaptation. Performance outcomes are fed back into the AI models to refine predictions and optimization strategies over time.

### 5.6 Implementation Environment and Tools

The proposed system is implemented using a combination of simulation platforms, programming frameworks, and AI libraries that support large-scale data processing and model deployment.

**Table 5.5 Implementation Environment**

Category	Tools / Technologies
Programming Language	Python
AI Frameworks	TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit-learn
Network Simulation	NS-3, 5G-LENA
Data Processing	Pandas, NumPy
Visualization	Matplotlib, Seaborn
Deployment	Docker, Kubernetes

This environment ensures reproducibility, scalability, and ease of integration with existing 5G management systems. Containerization technologies enable flexible deployment across cloud and edge infrastructures.

## 6. Experimental Results and Analysis

We evaluate the proposed AI-based framework in predicting critical resource failures and QoS optimizing on 5G network infrastructures. We conduct the experiments with a simulated 5G environment which closely reflects real-world deployment conditions and consists of realistic traffic workloads, services distribution, dynamic network states.

The data was split 80/10/10 into training, validation and test sets. All experiments were performed on a workstation machine with multi-core CPUs and

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GPU acceleration for deep learning training. All AI systems were trained and tested on the same dataset and using the same performance measure to ensure equal chances of accuracy.

**Table 6.1 Experimental Configuration**

Parameter	Description
Network Type	5G Standalone (SA)
Simulation Tool	NS-3 with 5G-LENA
Traffic Types	eMBB, URLLC, mMTC
AI Models	RF, SVM, LSTM
Training/Test Split	80% / 10% / 10%
Evaluation Horizon	5–60 seconds

### 6.2 Performance of Failure Prediction Models

The performance of the failure prediction models was evaluated using standard classification metrics, including accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and AUC-ROC. These metrics provide a comprehensive assessment of each model's ability to correctly identify failure-prone network states.

**Table 6.2 Performance Metrics of Failure Prediction Models**

Model	Accuracy (%)	Precision (%)	Recall (%)	F1-score (%)	AUC
Random Forest	91.2	89.7	87.9	88.8	0.92
SVM	88.5	86.3	84.1	85.2	0.89
LSTM	94.8	93.1	92.6	92.8	0.96

The results indicate that all AI models outperform traditional rule-based methods reported in the literature. Among them, the LSTM model achieves the highest predictive accuracy, highlighting its effectiveness in capturing temporal dependencies in network data.

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### 6.3 Comparative Analysis of AI Models

The comparison was carried out to evaluate the performance and drawback aspects of those AI model under various operating situations. On the other hand, despite its robustness and interpretability, the Random Forest algorithm had some contrasting features when modeling time-evolving patterns. SVM did well when there was moderate amount of data, but was sensitive to parameter tuning and could not be able to scale.

**Table 6.3 Model Comparison Summary**

Criterion	Random Forest	SVM	LSTM
Temporal Modeling	Moderate	Low	High
Scalability	High	Medium	High
Interpretability	High	Medium	Low
Prediction Accuracy	High	Medium	Very High

The comparative results confirm that deep learning-based models, particularly LSTM, are more suitable for large-scale and time-dependent 5G network environments.

### 6.4 Impact of AI-Based Prediction on Network Reliability

To assess the impact of AI-based failure prediction on network reliability, several reliability indicators were measured before and after integrating the proposed prediction framework. These indicators include mean time between failures (MTBF), service availability, and failure recovery time.

**Table 6.4 Network Reliability Improvement**

Metric	Without AI	With AI-Based Prediction
MTBF (hours)	18.5	27.9
Service Availability (%)	96.2	99.1
Recovery Time (seconds)	42	18

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The integration of AI-based prediction significantly improves network reliability by enabling early detection and proactive mitigation of failures. This improvement is particularly critical for mission-critical 5G applications requiring ultra-high availability.

### 6.5 QoS Optimization Results

The effectiveness of the QoS optimization module was evaluated by comparing QoS metrics before and after applying AI-driven optimization strategies. The results demonstrate substantial improvements across all key QoS indicators.

**Table 6.5 QoS Performance Before and After Optimization**

QoS Metric	Before Optimization	After Optimization
Average Latency (ms)	38.6	21.4
Throughput (Mbps)	520	685
Packet Loss (%)	2.9	1.1
SLA Compliance (%)	91.3	97.8

The results confirm that combining predictive failure intelligence with real-time optimization leads to superior QoS performance compared to reactive control mechanisms.

### 6.6 Discussion of Findings

The results of the experiments present strong evidence that demonstrate that AI-based framework is effective. The superior performance of LSTM networks provides the first evidence that 5G network behavior evolves over time and can be characterized by a temporal dynamics. Second, the combination of failure prediction and QoS optimization is vital to having a proactive and failure-resistant network management.

The realized gain in network reliability and related QoS KPIs thus support the core research hypothesis: predictive intelligence, tightly integrated into adaptive

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optimization leads to a marked improvement of operational performance at 5G Infrastructures. We believe that our results are inline with the recent literature by highlighting the importance of AI-driven automation for future network management and extending prior work by providing an end-to-end validated framework.

However, despite these positive findings, there are also some drawbacks such as simulated environment and computational complexity of deep learning models. These are identified as potential areas of future research, specifically including optimization for efficiency and validation on real-world applications.

### 7. Discussion

In this paper, the implementation of AI enabled methodologies used for predicting key failures in 5G network infrastructures and also transporting real-time quality of service (QoS) were investigated. The findings are further explained in the discussion section which is linked back to research aims, objectives, questions and literature.

Experiments prove that AI-based models can largely improve prediction accuracy, and are much faster in converging solutions than traditional techniques to detect failures with extrapolation into facing dynamical network conditions. Specifically, deep learning models like Long Short Term Memory (LSTM) networks proved to work well in capturing long-term dependency on time for 5G network traffic data. This proves that time-aware models are more viable under complex and highly dynamic network conditions, which is consistent with the discoveries presented in recent works of intelligent network monitoring.

From the comparative study, it is observed that classical machine-learning models such as Random Forest and Support Vector Machines attained good prediction accuracy but they perform poorly with excessive traffic variations and huge datasets. These constraints underscore the importance for implementation of

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sophisticated AI networks that can learn non-linear complex relationships embedded within 5G environments.

Further, combining AI-based failure prediction with real-time QoS optimization processes brought a significant enhancement on network resiliency and service availability. By lurking on any potential issue, the system self-acted to avoid service degradation, ultimately decreased packet loss, latency and jitter. This observation also underscores the contribution of predictive intelligence to self-healing and autonomous network management models foreseen for future networks.

Additional QoS optimization results also demonstrate the effectiveness of reinforcement learning-based scheduling in dynamically scheduling network resources based on instantaneous status facts. By learning from the environment in real time, the optimization module was able to achieve dynamic load balancing and improve overall service performance automatically.

This still very promising result comes with some caveats. AI models' performance can be largely determined by available/representative/quantity of data. The real-world deployments are subject to problems like data imbalance, privacy restrictions and scarce failure logs that may undermine the generalization of their models. Moreover, the complexity of deep learning models may yield scalability challenges in macro 5G networks.

In general, the results validate that artificial intelligence is vital to realize intelligent, resilient and adaptive 5G network management, but also suggest areas which are still in need of research and polishing.

## 8. Conclusions and Future Work

### 8.1 Conclusions

This study introduced an AI model based system for predicting catastrophic failures in 5G network infrastructures and QoS optimisation at real time. The

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objectives of the study were met as we developed, implemented and tested various artificial intelligence models on typical 5G data sets.

The findings confirmed that AI-based failure prediction contributes to improved network reliability through the opportunity of early identification and prevention of future failures. Deep learning, in particular LSTM networks, was very successful at processing time varying network data and detecting early warnings of critical failures. Also, the use of reinforcement learning algorithms for QoS optimization resulted in better network performance in latency, throughput and packet loss.

The results of the study validate that the incorporation of failure prediction and QoS optimization in a single intelligent system offers an effective approach for dealing with diverse challenges related to complexity control in future 5G networks. This facilitates the move towards the autonomous, self-optimizing networking of architectures while decreasing dependence upon manual intervention and reactive modes.

### 8.2 Future Work

However, there are also some limitations and directions for future research. First, further validation of the proposed methodology could be provided through the use of real-world data from 5G operational networks operators so that the practical applicability of our results can be improved. Second, hybrid AI models involving deep learning in synergy with graph-based or federated-learning methods could be considered to enhance the accuracy and privacy-preserving power of prediction analysis.

Furthermore, extending this framework for beyond-5G and 6G networks appears as a promising avenue of research due to the expected growing number of network heterogeneity as well as highly stringent ultra-low latency demands. It may be possible to explore energy-efficient AI models in the future to minimize computational overhead and facilitate sustainable network operation.

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Lastly, integrating explainable artificial intelligence (XAI) techniques can enhance transparency and trust of the AI-based network management systems, by which the network operator gains insights into AI-made decisions.

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