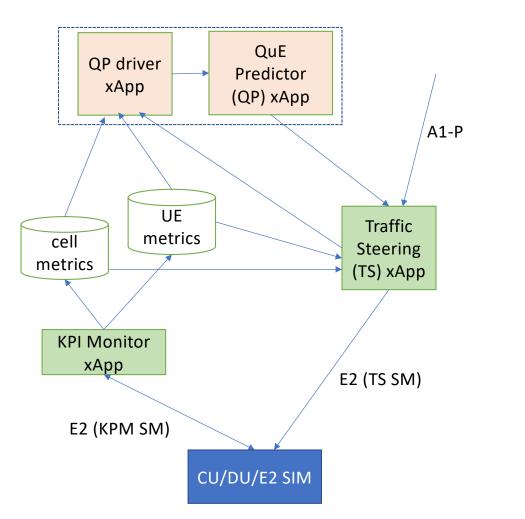
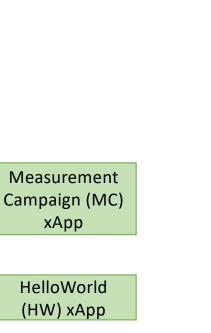
RICAPP: Cherry epics

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C++

Python

Main RICAPP epics for Cherry

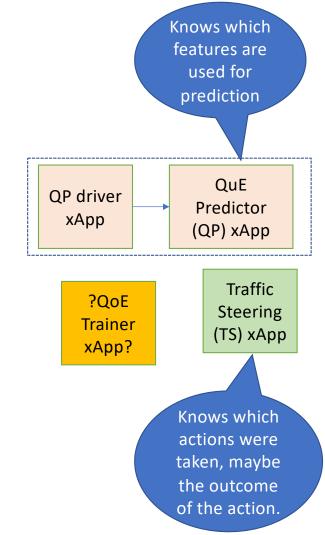
- Extend the use of RIC SDK to support O1-PM/FM/CM and A1-P:
 - Implement alarming using new alarm API in SDK
 - Implement statistics collection using new stats API in SDK
 - Exercise new RIC SDK higher-level abstractions for A1-P, O1-CM
- TS use case extensions:
 - More interesting A1-P policy intents
 - E2 CONTROL message (initially using our own SM, later WG-3 SM)
 - QP with real machine learning model and training
 - Integration with O-DU/O-CU or more realistic simulator (Viavi?)
 - Design and integration with ML training outside the RIC
- More comprehensive example xApps.

How to support ML training in Cherry?

Training data: original input features, (predicted value), measured value (after some time period)

Multiple open issues:

- How to communicate the training data to non-RT RIC (e.g., VES file transfer) – WG-2
- New SDK API for xApps to communicate the info? nearRT-RIC
- Which xApp should collect the training data? RICAPP
- What features are used for prediction (e.g., are the identities of the current serving cell and the target neighbor cell used) – RICAPP, R-SAC
- Which component will consume the training data in Cherry release non-RT-RIC - ML FRQAMEWORK
- Reinforcement learning? Large data set needed?



What is RIC SDK?

Enable xApp to:

Help developers:

- Define xApp descriptor for on-boarding and dynamic configuration
- Send and receive messages
- Access data persistence layer (SDL), R-NIB and other database
- Communicate with E2 Nodes

Generate skeleton codes

• Report alarms, statistics, and logs

SDK components:

- Libraries, Interfaces and APIs
- Tools
- Documentation and guides
- Code Samples
- Processes and Flows

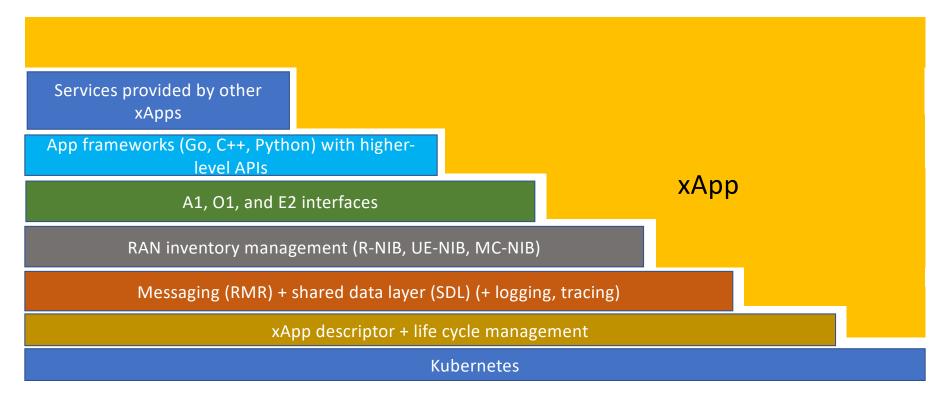
Provide an abstraction layer to insulate xApps from a specific underlying technology, improve portability.

https://wiki.o-ran-sc.org/display/ORANSDK/

Setup development and testing environments

• Package, distribute and onboard their xApp

RIC SDK Libraries, Interfaces and APIs



The RIC SDK implementation could be utilized directly in other projects (e.g., logging, life cycle management) or the RIC SDK API could be utilized with a different underlying implementation – initial discussions underway.