# Meeting of the LF AI & Data Technical Advisory Council (TAC)

December 1, 2022



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# Agenda

- Roll Call (2 mins)
- Approval of Minutes from previous meeting (2 mins)
- Xtreme1 new Sandbox Proposal (40 min)
- > LF AI General Updates (2 min)
- Open Discussion (2 min)



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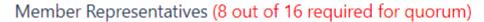
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### TAC Voting Members

Note: we still need a few designated backups specified on wiki



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# Minutes approval



### Approval of November 17, 2022 Minutes

Draft minutes from the November 17 TAC call were previously distributed to the TAC members via the mailing list

### **Proposed Resolution:**

That the minutes of the November 17 meeting of the Technical Advisory Council of the LF AI & Data Foundation are hereby approved.



# Proposal to Host Xtremel in LF Al & Data

The Next GEN Open-source Platform for Multisensory
Training Data.

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### Agenda

Problem statement

Introduction to Xtreme1 and key features

Xtremel technology deep dive

4 Incubation request



### **Problem statement**

As training data becomes the new bottleneck of AI model development, Data-Centric MLOps is trending now.

### What we learned from 6 years labeling business



#### UBS Global research report: Al engineers now spend 70%-90% of their time on training data.



### The Repetition in D&M Fine-tune

Fine-tuning data annotation schema and modeling is highly repetitive and costly



#### **Data Complexity**

Training data annotation is much complex than before



#### **Data Quality Issue**

Data quality is hard to control comprehensively from accuracy, consistency, diversity, quantity and distribution



#### **Data Drift**

Data keeps changing from experimental lab to physical world's application



#### **Data Security**

Public cloud SaaS is becoming unacceptable



#### High Cost

Data Labeling is expensive



#### Lack of Transparency

Outsourcing labeling process lacks transparency and trade-off between cost accuracy is unmanageable



#### Fragmented ML tools

Switching between tools can be costly and limiting

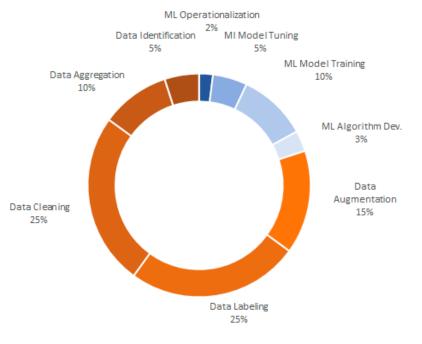
Our solution: Data-centric MLOps ◆BASIC AI

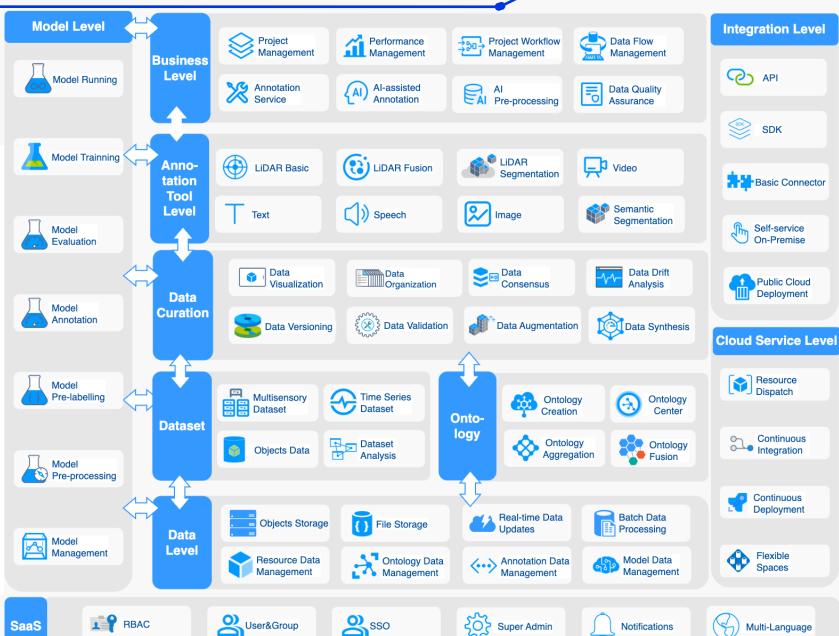
User&Group

SaaS

Goal: To save the every minute that you spend on processing training data.

#### 80% of time spent for Machine Learning Projects is allocated to Data related tasks





Notifications

Multi-Language

Source: Cognylitica; Factordaily



### Introduction to Xtreme1

Xtremel is the next generation open-source platform for multisensory training data.

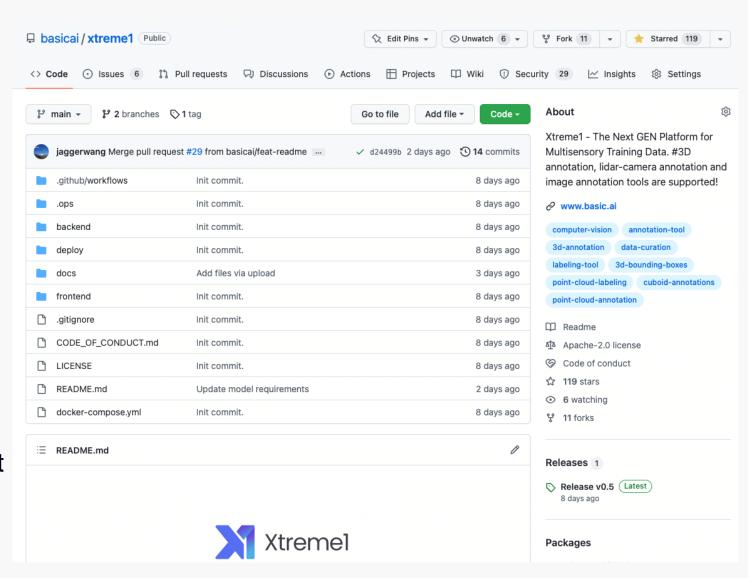
### **Xtremel Open Source**



https://github.com/basicai/xtreme1

#### **Motivations**

- 1. Al is born for open source
- 2. MLOps infras requires global user feedbacks
- 3. Open source helps proof of compliance with data security and privacy
- 4. Open-source multisensory training data software is missing in the market



```
# wget https://github.com/basicai/xtreme1/releases/download/v0.5/xtreme1-v0.5.zip
# unzip -d xtreme1-v0.5 xtreme1-v0.5.zip
# cd xtreme1-v0.5 && docker compose up
```

- Advantages
  - ➤6 years of training data tool polishing
  - ➤ Rich data processing
     experience, involving
     various industries and data
     modalities

- Actions
  - ➤ 5000+ commits, 10+ full-time contributors
  - ➤ Keep contributing the code to improve the feature set
  - ➤ Respect all valid issues and PRs and incorporate them into

### **Open Source Comparisons**



	Xtreme1	LabelStudio	Labelme	CVAT	doccano	VoTT
Major Features						
Text & Speech	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	N
Image & Video	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ
Lidar and 2/3D Fusion	Υ	N	N	N	N	N
Ontology	Υ	N	N	N	N	N
AI-assisted Labeling	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	N	N
Dataset Curation	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
Multi-people Collaboration	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
Open API & Models	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	N	N



### **Key Features**

- K1: Ontology Center
- K2: Annotation Suite
- K3: Dataset Curation
- K4: Model Integration

### **K1: Ontology Center**



Ontology is a perfect way of standardizing the problem definition and intra-/inter- dataset management.



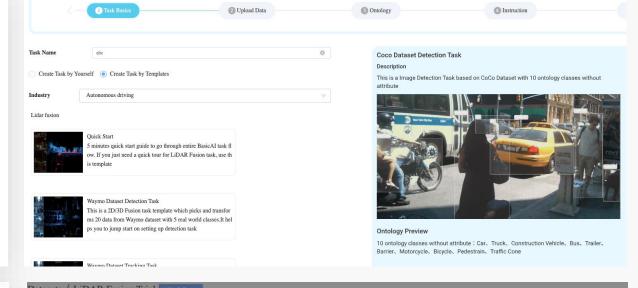
#### Organization

Ontology can serve as the catalogue of massive data. New dataset can be created by simply searching and merging.



#### Recommendation

Good practice ontologies may be suggested before/during setting up the workflow to reduce the trial-and-error cost.





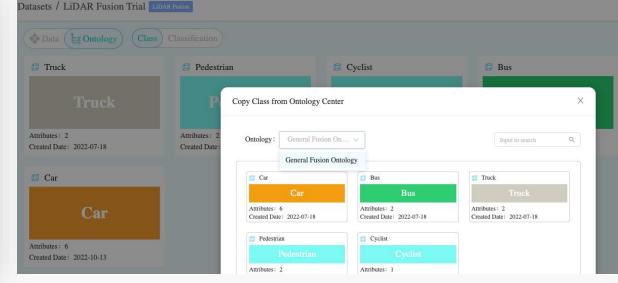
#### Collaboration

Duplicate ontologies can be saved when dealing with multisensory fusion annotation tasks.



#### Disambiguation

The same semantic ontology may vary its name in different projects or teams.



#### **K2: Annotation Suite**



With the development of hardware, multiple/fused/HD sensors are widely used for various AI applications.



#### **LiDAR Basic**

Support the 3D Lidar point cloud annotation by either single or multiple frames.



#### **LiDAR Fusion**

Support the 2D&3D fusion annotation with automatic 3D-to-2D projection.



#### **LiDAR Segmentation**

Support the 3D Lidar point cloud segmentation.



#### **Image**

Support various image annotation tools, such as bbox, polygon, polyline, key points, curves, etc.



#### Task Management

Flexible data distribution, member and role management.



#### Performance Mgt

Multi-dimension metrics to evaluate and improve the efficiency of workforce.



#### **Workflow Management**

Flexible workflow set up to accommodate different team size and quality requirements.



#### **Al-assisted Annotation**

Various models are developed to improve the efficiency of semi-automatic annotations.

### **K2: Annotation Suite**



Xtreme1 is the world first open-source platform supporting multisensory training data with 3D model integration.



#### **K3: Dataset Curation**



#### Accuracy is no longer the only metric of training data quality.



#### **Data Visualization**

Support 2D&3D visualizations of frames, objects for fast data review and analysis.



#### **Data Organization**

Support multiple data organization, such as clustering, sorting, filtering, tagging, batch operations.



#### **Data Consensus**

Support human-human, human-machine comparison to improve the data consensus.



#### **Data Drift Alert**

Track the performance of models and detect/alert the degradation in production.



#### **Data Versioning**

Version control is essential for management of datasets varying with models, dates, and batches.



#### **Data Validation**

Provide various comparison approaches between ground-truth and model predictions for fast model debugging.



#### **Data Augmentation**

One stop of data augmentation, visualization and review for imbalance issues.



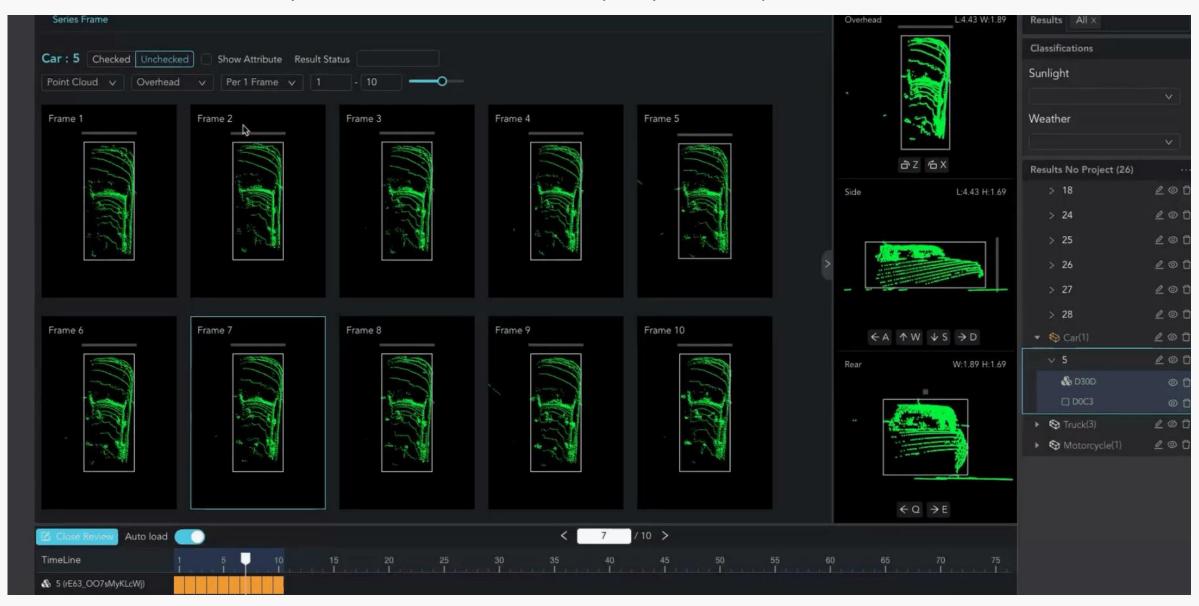
#### Data Synthesis

Provide built-in and external models to generate artificial data, reduce the data cost and avoid privacy issues.

### **K3: Dataset Curation**



Visualization is one of the key features to evaluate the data quality or model performance.

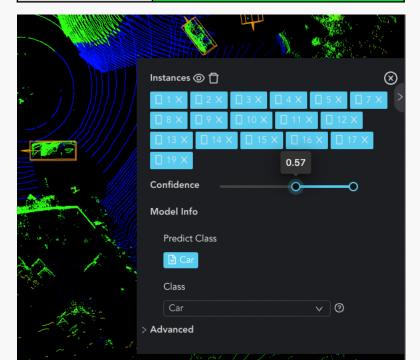


### **K4: Model Integration**

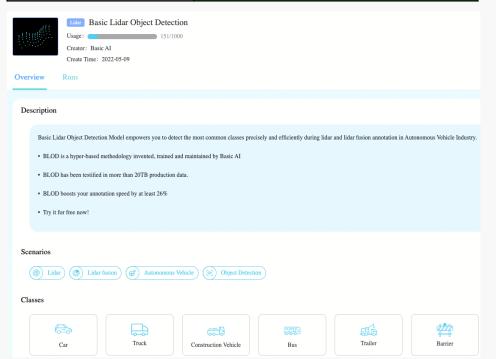


Xtreme1 is an AI-powered platform for maximizing the efficiency of data and model productions.

Data production				
Labeling	AI pre-labeling			
Quality	AI data recommendation			
2/3D Fusion	Al sensor calibration			
Human Cost	Active Learning			
Data Cost	Augmentation & Sythesis			



Model production				
Transfer learning	Pre-trained models			
Fast application	Off-the-shelf SOTA models			
Fast modelling	Low code support			
Life-long learning	Data pipeline and streaming			





### **Technologies**

Xtremel compliances with the principles of cloud-native architecture to ensure the scalability, elasticity and stability of the platform services.

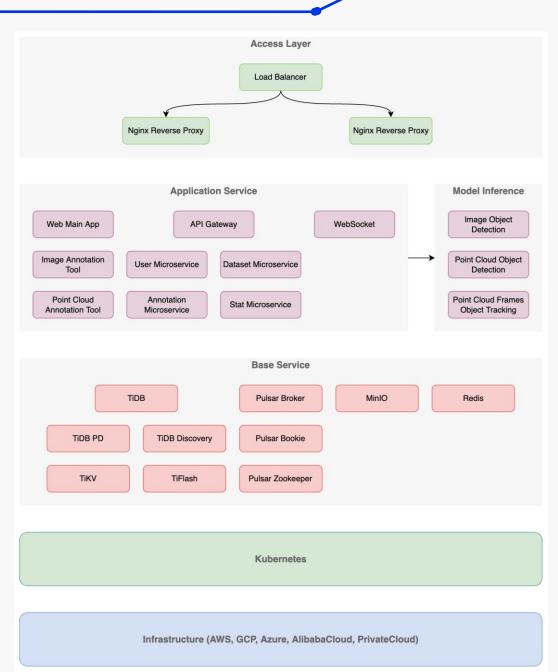


### **N-tier Architecture**

Xtreme1 is a platform with standardized workflow, but diversified tools and requirements of different data types and computing resources.

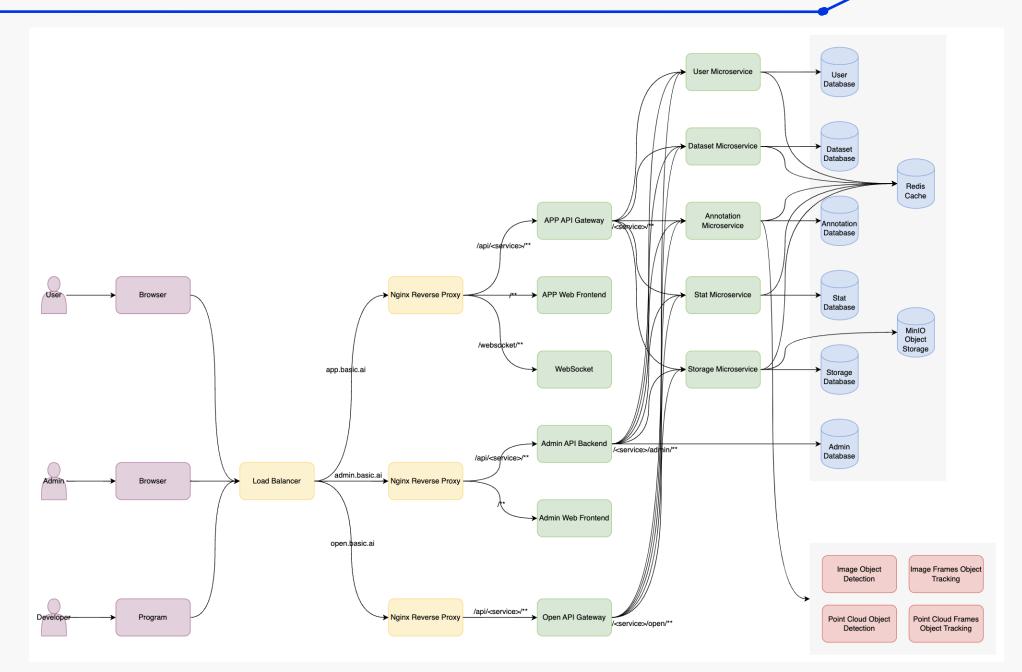
Access Layer

Only necessary services are exposed for the data <u>security</u>.



### **Xtremel Routing Architecture**





### **Xtremel Storage**



Xtreme1 adapts the distributed database to improve the data analysis in the full life-cycle of AI modelling.





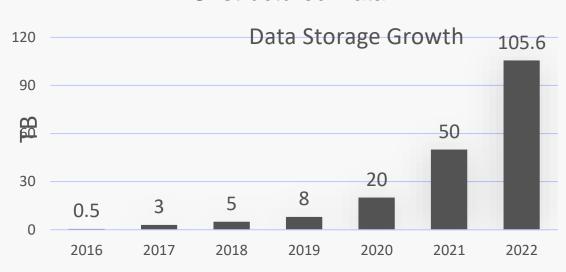


- ➤ Large amount: ~40K datasets, ~3M working hours, ~1B data items
- > Many types: meta-data, ground-truth, test data, data versions
- Many analyses: accuracy, distribution, progress, performance
- ➤ Multi-tenancy: computation/storage isolation, ~10K tenants

#### • TiDB

# **√** Distributed

#### **Unstructured Data**



### Challenges

- Multi-model data: text, image, video, speech, point cloud
- Massive storage requirements: ~100TB
- High frequency data reading but low writing
- Global data regulation: data security and storage isolation

#### MinIO

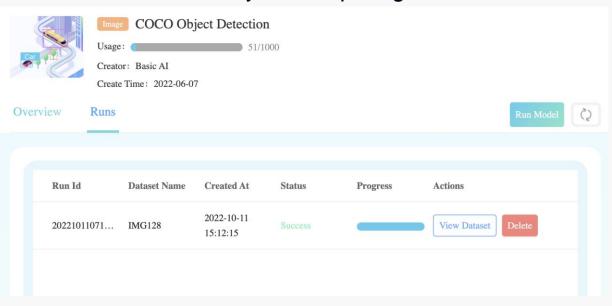
# √S3 compatible

### **Xtremel Computation**



Xtreme1 has to orchestrate the compute nodes for different time-sensitive tasks and multiple heterogeneous clusters.

**Async Computing** 



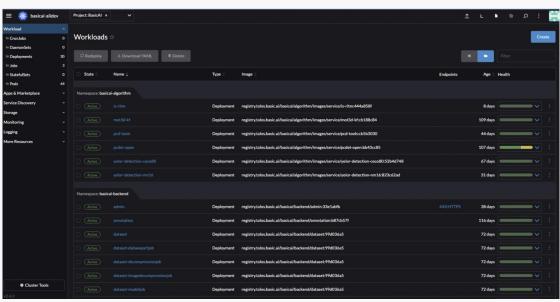
#### Challenges

- > Data preparation: billions rendering, parsing, compression, chunking
- Data prelabeling: offline model prediction
- Data curation: auto tagging, sorting, clustering
- Modelling: training and evaluation

#### Pulsar

- √ Cloud native, separating compute and storage
- √ Horizontally scalable, multi-tenancy support

#### Scheduler



#### Challenges

- Multiple Runtimes: dev/test/product environments
- Cross regions: US, Europe, SEA, China, India
- ➤ GPU computing: CPU/GPU clusters, high-end GPU sharing
- > Elasticity: diverse container node duplicate needs

#### Kubernetes + Rancher

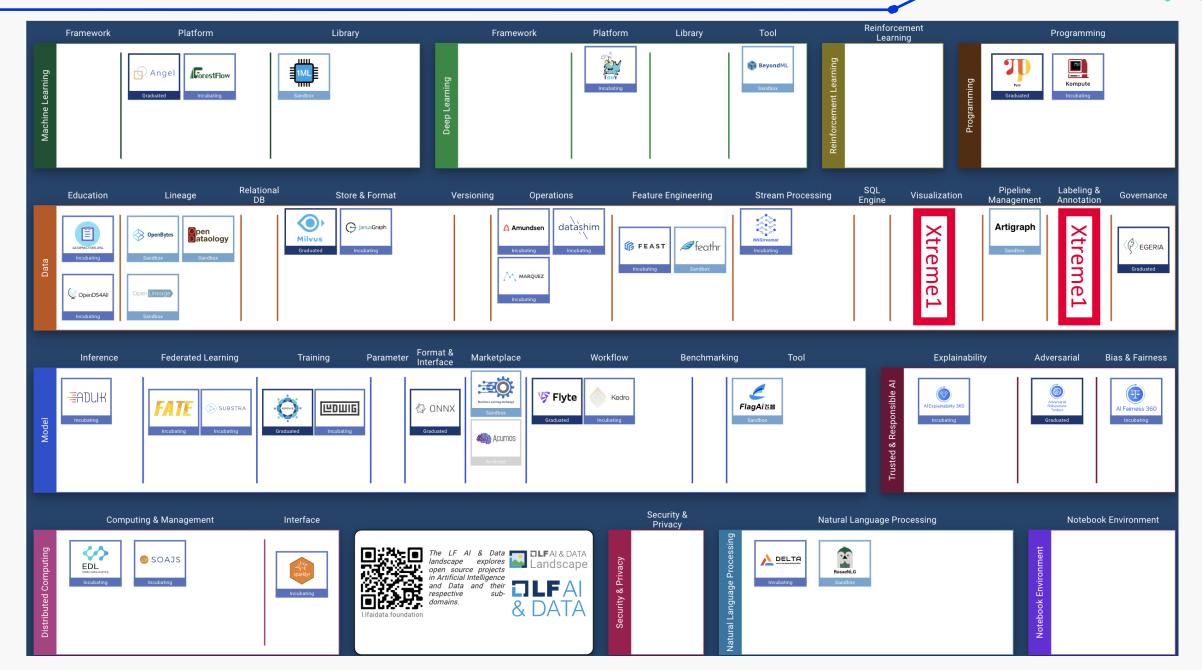
- √ A unified interface for multiple clusters
- GPU sharing is officially supported by Nvidia



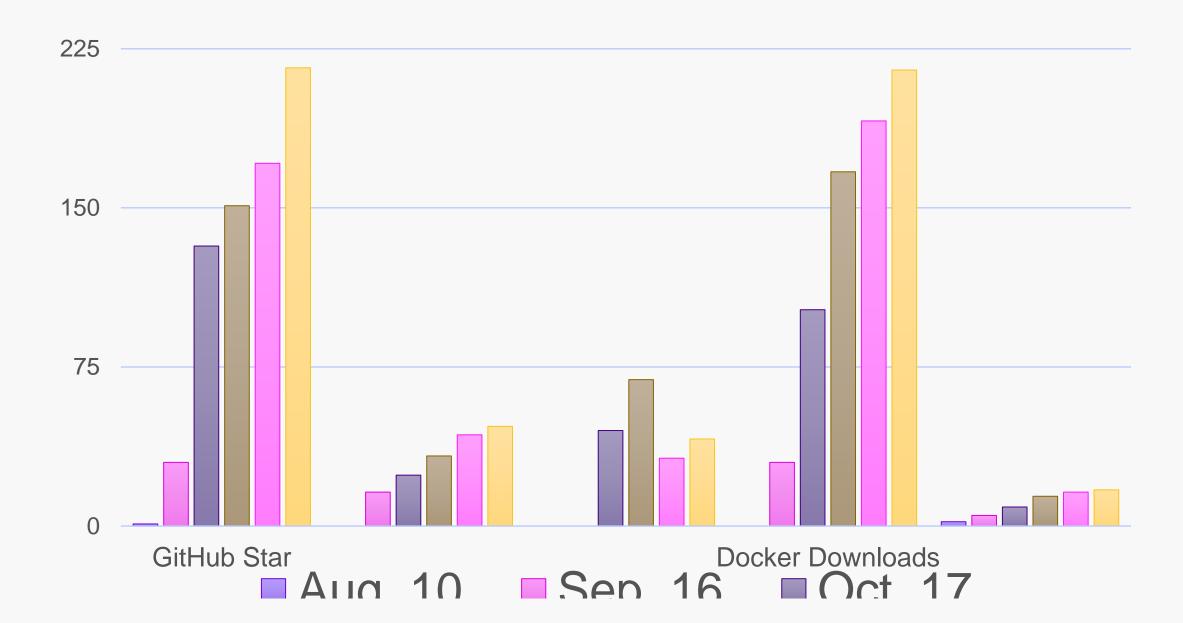
# Requesting Incubation at Sandbox Level

### Where does Xtreme1 fit on the landscape?











### **Neutral host of the project**

• Vendor-neutral, Not for profit

### **Growing community**

- Increase contributors by converting new & existing users
- Opportunities to collaborate with other hosted projects
- Increase users by broader outreach through the foundation

### **Open Governance model**

- Transparent and open governance model
- Distills trust in the running & management of the project
- Neutral management of projects' assets by the foundation

### Roadmap



- ➤ 2022Q3, Xtreme1 was officially open-source on Sept. 15
- > 2022Q4, Dataset curation for fast data quality control
- > 2023Q1, Developer friendly tools, such as Python SDK, API, Command line
- > 2023Q2, Support annotation tools for more data types
- ➤ 2023Q3, Support model training, testing, deployment

### Possible collaboration with other hosted projects



# Unstructured data management, such as image searching, clustering, sorting

Milvus, DocArray

### Structured data analysis, such as meta data, GT, logging, activities

Amundsen

### Model management, train, test, export, deployment

Horovod, ONNX

# Thank you for supporting our request to incubate in LF AI & Data.

Q&A

Don't forget to follow our GitHub



Formal request

The authors hereby formally request the incubation of Xtreme1 as a Sandbox

Project in LF AI & Data

# TAC Open Discussion



# LF AI General Updates



# **Upcoming TAC Meetings**



# **Upcoming TAC Meetings**

- December 15, 2022 OpenLineage moving from sandbox to incubation
- December 29, 2022 Holiday break, no meeting
- January 12, 2023 TonY annual review, Angel annual review (tentative)

Please note we are always open to special topics as well.

If you have a topic idea or agenda item, please send agenda topic requests to tac-general@lists.lfaidata.foundation



# **Open Discussion**



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