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## Federated Learning with Kaapana

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#### Motivation

Medical data is rare, sensitive and precious

#### Need for Data

Deep Learning needs numerous samples to train models which generalize sufficiently

#### **Expensive Labeling**

Annotating medical image data requires experts, is time consuming, and is therefore expensive

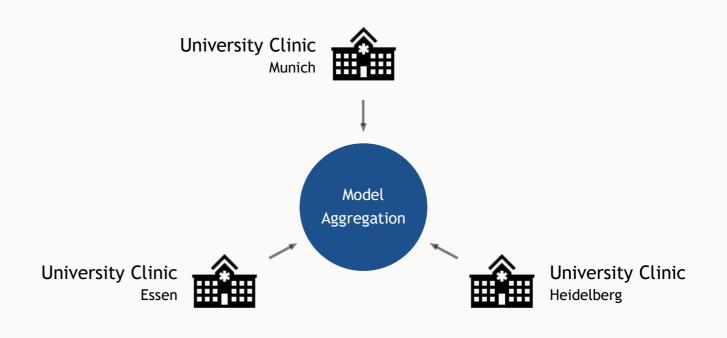
#### Maintaining Patients' Privacy

Even if annotated data exists locally, it is not permitted to simply share it with others

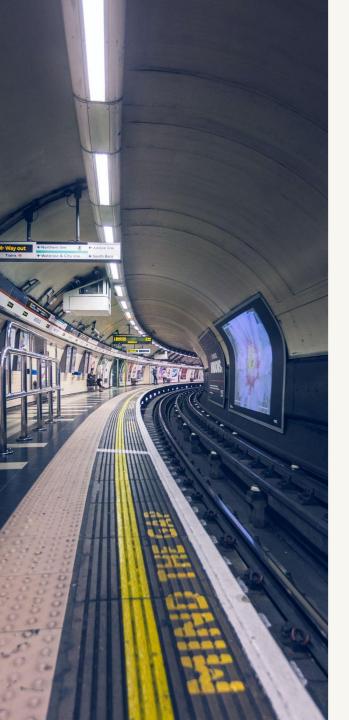
#### Motivation - Federated Learning

Federate Learning to share model updates instead of raw and sensitive data!

How to close the gap between simulation and real application?



Providing a technical solution to actually conduct federated deep learning experiments across medical institutions



#### Gap to The State of The Art

Technical solutions to bridge the gap from simulated FL to its application in medical institutions

#### Few real-world scenarios using medical images

8 scientific publications could be identified

#### Technical Solutions for FL exist

i.e. TensorFlow Federated, PySyft by Openmined, NVIDIA Clara Federated

#### Technical Solution for FL in medical Environment

NIVIDIA Clara Federated provides powerful features, but lacks of flexibility and openness



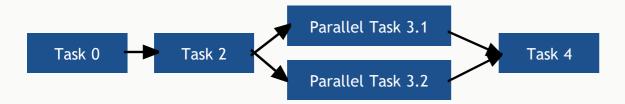
# Can we extend Kaapana in such way, that Federated Learning is possible across actual distributed clinics?

## Implementation - Apache Airflow & MinIO



#### **Apache Airflow**

- Scheduling & monitoring of workflows
- Accessible via its API
- Workflows configured as Directed Acyclic Graphs consisting of multiple operators
- An operator performs exactly one task Exemplary Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG):



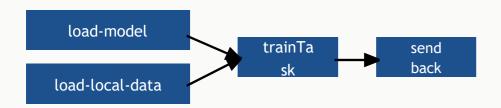


#### MinIO

- Object store serving as accessible 'file-system'
- Provides a powerful API
  - Check for objects & files
  - Move, copy, delete, ...
  - ...
  - Used to store model checkpoints, log-files, and test data, ...

## Implementation - Kaapana Federated





## Results - Exemplary Segmentation Experiment using Kaapana Federated

- Brain MRI Scans from Medical Decathlon (BraTS)
- Equally distributed across 3 Kaapana Instances
- · Trained with Federated Averaging
- Comparison with training behavior on centralized / pooled data

#### Training parameters:

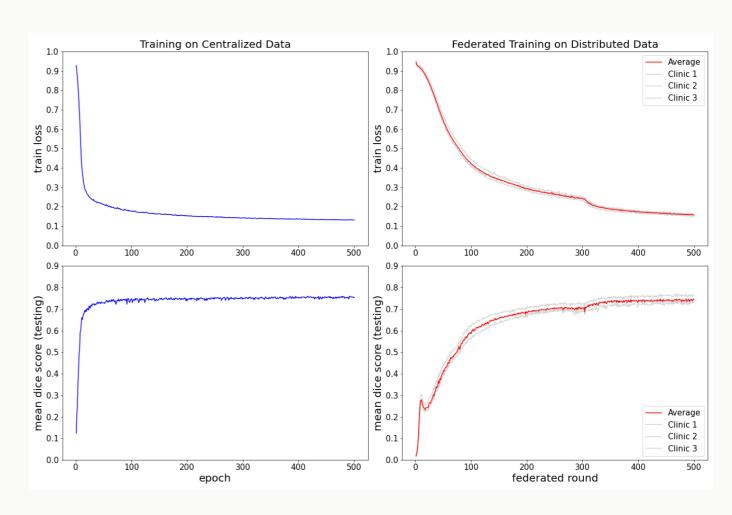
Adam optimizer (treatment strategy: resetting)

• Learning rate: 0.001

• & weight decay:

Batch size: 2

Epochs / Federated rounds: 500



#### Outlook

#### Add privacy mechanisms

Conduct "real" experiments across partner institutions

From prototype to Kaapana extension ...

Thanks a lot four your attention!

