

Beyond Python | Machine Learning in .NET

Why **Python**?

- No technical reasons for not using other languages
 - C# or Java (and friends) or C++ or Go or
- Interpreted, high-level, general-purpose
 - Multi-paradigm language (functional, OO, imperative)
- Created not to be a programming language
 - No compilers, no build steps, no CI/CD
 - Instant sharing of code



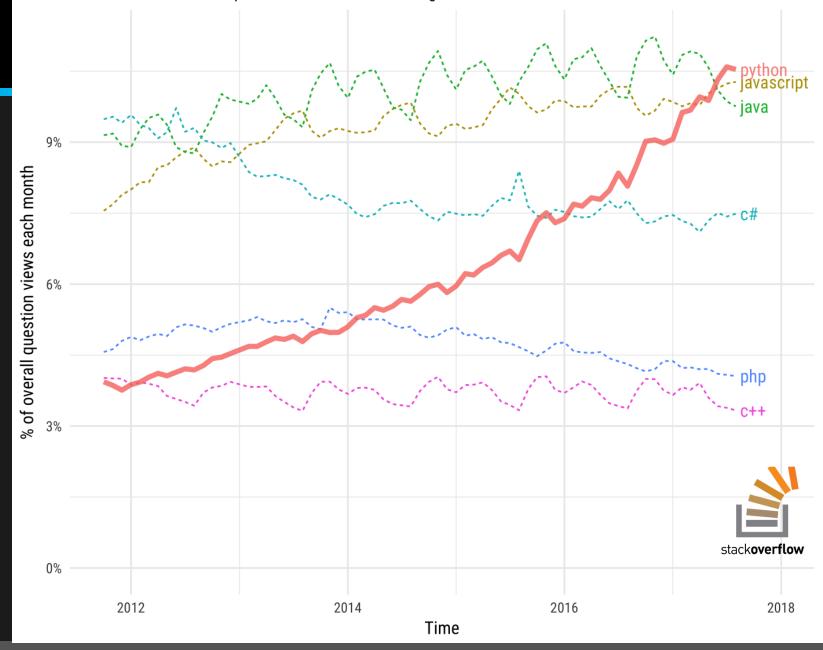
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Python **Facts**

- Used for machine learning experiments
 - De facto standard
- Large tools ecosystem
 - Numeric computing
 - Data structures
 - Algorithms
 - Deep learning platforms

Growth of major programming languages

Based on Stack Overflow question views in World Bank high-income countries





But then again ... why Python?

It's a pure matter of convenience!

ML beyond Python

| LANGUAGE | LIBRARY |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Java, Scala, Clojure | DeepLearning4j |
| Java | Weka |
| C# | Accord.NET (stopped) |
| C++ | MLPack |
| Go | GoML |
| C#, F#, VB.NET | ML.NET |



More at https://skymind.ai/wiki/java-ai



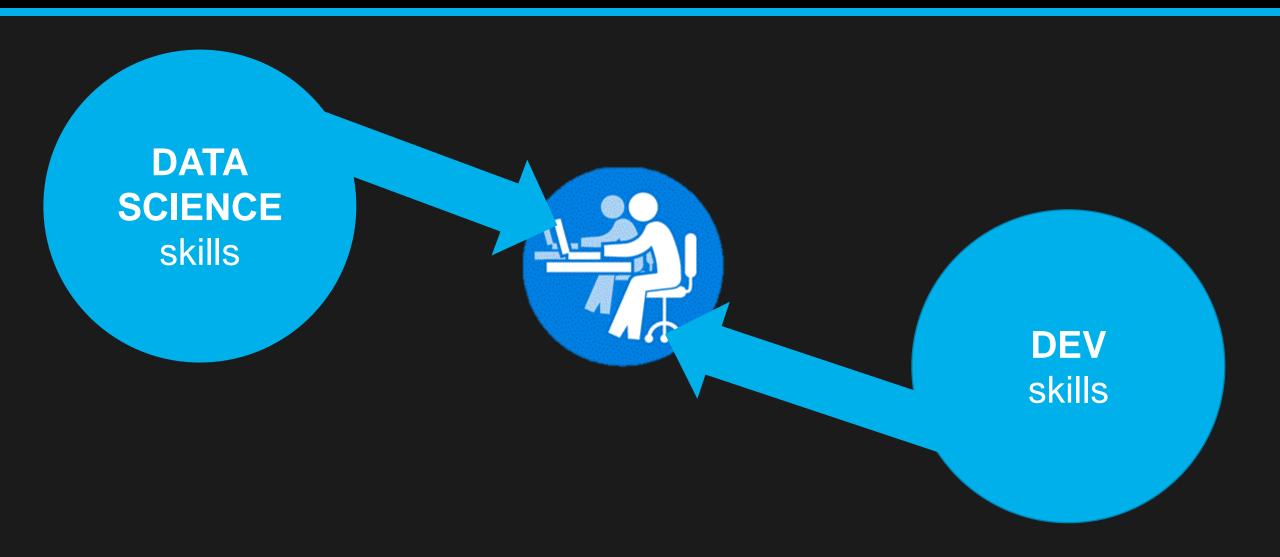
Why Should You Go Beyond Python?

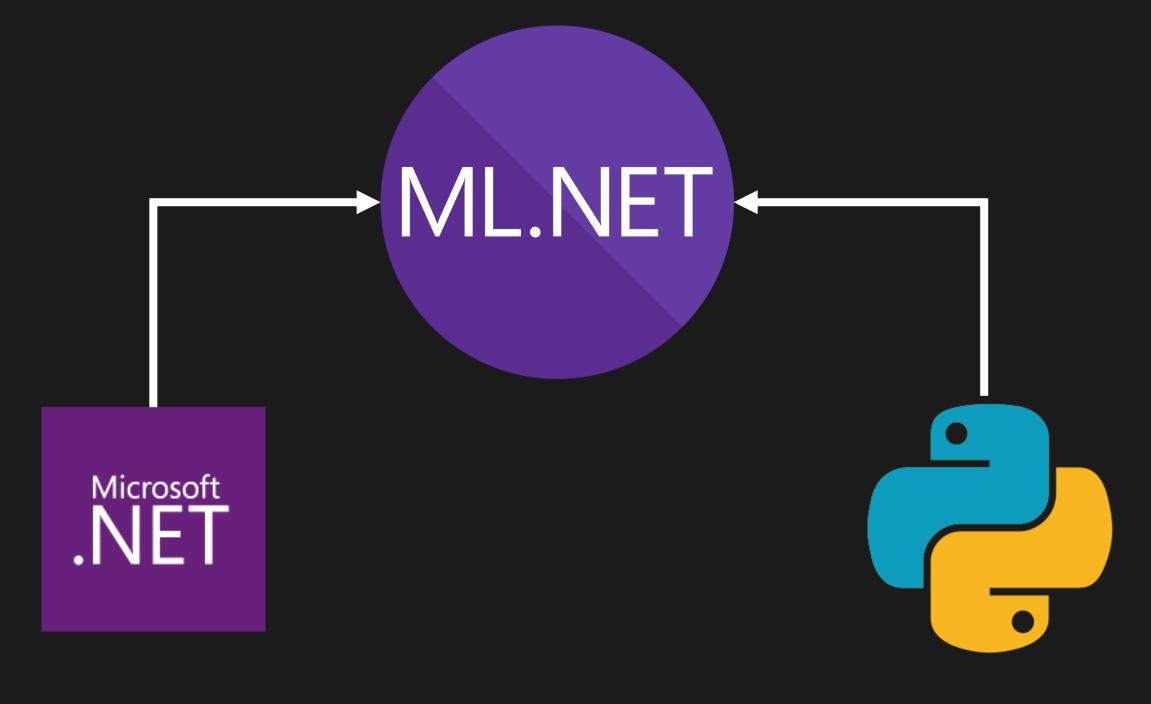
Java (and C#) is the most widely used programming language in the enterprise. Large organizations have enormous Java (and C#) codebases, and rely heavily on the JVM (and CLR) as a computing environment.

- ML is perceived as a task for data scientists. Developers invoke API.
- What about full-stack ML experts?
- Data scientists will never reach the heights of programming
- ...but developers have a longer way to go to get acquainted in ML



Full-stack Machine Learning Development

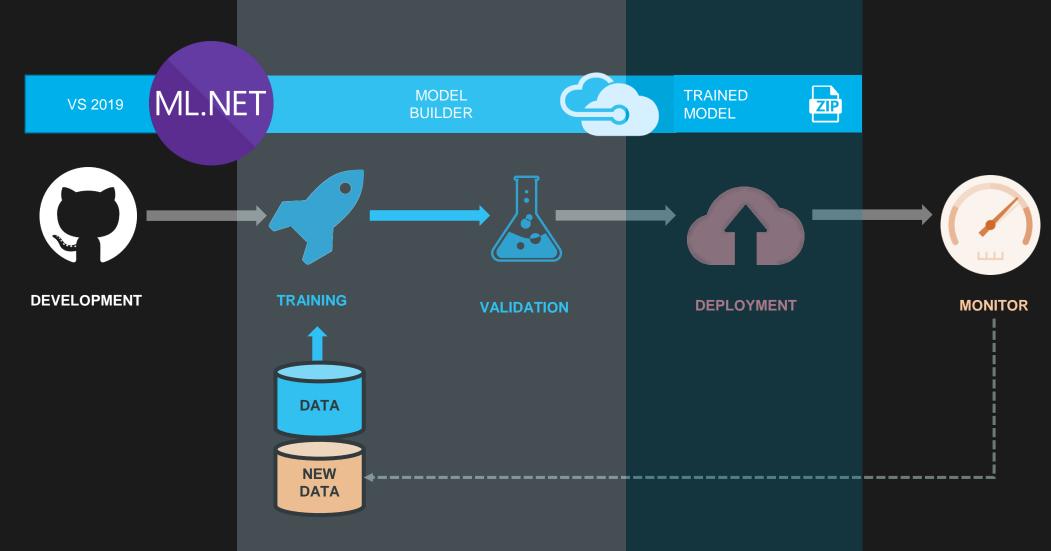






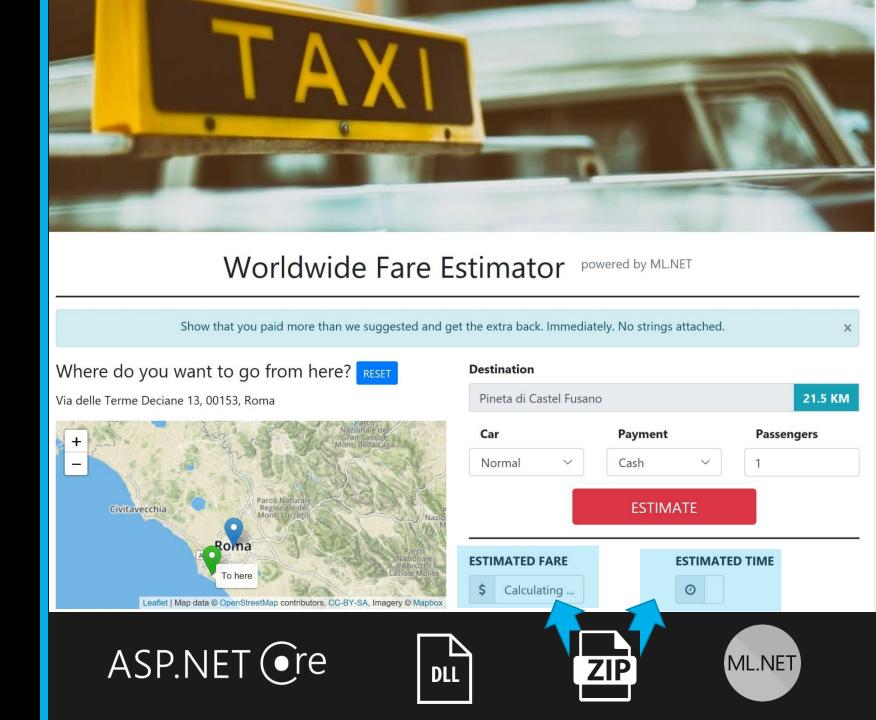
INTEGRATED WITH AZURE DEVOPS





IN ACTION

- MODEL BUILDER
- MANUAL TUNING
- AUTO-ML





Top5 Laws of Software at the Time of ML

- We won't write new algorithms. Period.
- Smarter people will do it for us (and much better). Period.
- We're all moving from the Age of Programming to the Age of Training
- Will be training other people's algorithm to serve our goals. Period.
 - Mostly (but not necessarily) about development
- Will be using quality data and properly shaped. Period.
 - Mostly (but not necessarily) about data science

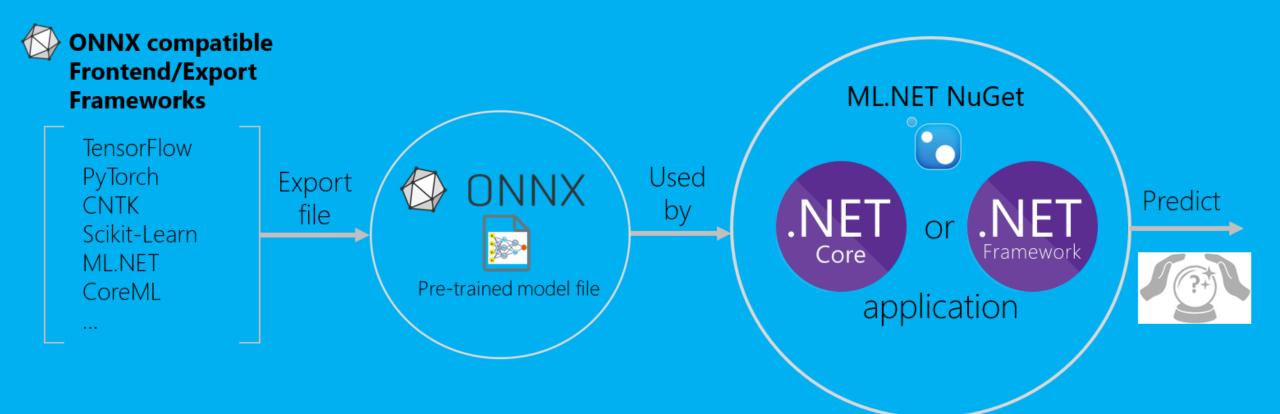


SHALLOW Learning MULTI-LINEAR REGRESSION
MULTIPLE CLASSIFICATION
GROUP CLUSTERING

DEEP

Learning

NEURAL NETWORKS



Conclusions

- Python is OK. Period.
- Python is not in as ar the ay to Per
 ML in .NET is c ing a w row F od.
- Not talking about Azure services.
- ML solutions need a porter area of many krewledge. Period.
- ML solutions are a trial-a lerr him P od.
- ML solutions are not as easy as running a wizard. Period.
- Not all ML solutions are a blood-sweat-tears thing. Period.

