Recent Trends in AI-related Inventions – Report

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In recent years, Artificial Intelligence (AI) –related technology has shown remarkable development centering on deep learning. Accordingly, AI-related patent applications are increasing across technological fields. As growth of AI-related technology developments and patent applications is expected to continue in the future, the JPO researches the current status of AI related applications in Japan and overseas.

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1. Introduction
1-1. Definition of AI-related Invention and Research Target

Although AI can be defined in various ways, here, we define ①AI core invention and ②AI-applied Invention as “AI-related invention”¹ and have made it a research target, as shown in Figure 1.

① AI core invention:  
Inventions characterized by mathematical or statistical information processing technology that forms the basis of AI, such as various machine learning methods including neural network, deep learning, support vector machines, reinforcement learning, in addition to knowledge-based models and fuzzy logic, etc. (The FI² to be assigned is mainly G06N³.)

② AI-applied Invention:  
Inventions characterized by applying ①AI core invention to various technical fields such as image processing, speech processing, natural language processing, device control/robotics, various diagnosis / detection / prediction / optimization system, etc. (A number of FI would be assigned.)

Figure 1 Target of this Research (scope of AI-related invention)

¹ The above definition of “AI related invention” is used only in this research, and does not express an official definition from the Japan Patent Office.
² It is a classification unique to the Japan Patent Office that has been expanded based on IPC. For details, see J-PlatPat.
³ "Computer systems based on specific calculation model", including G06F15/18 before FI revision.
1-2. Research Method

- The union of the domestic patent applications from Sets A to C below are extracted as "AI-related invention".
  - **Set A**: Patent applications classified into G06N as FI
    (In order to capture ① AI core invention)
  - **Set B**: Patent applications classified into any of AI-related FI listed in Annex 1.
    (In order to capture ② AI-applied invention by using patent classification).
  - **Set C**: Patent applications of which application documents are including any of AI core keywords listed in Annex 2 in any place of the “Abstract”, “Problems to be Solved by the Invention”, or “Means for Solving the Problems”.
    (In order to capture ② AI-applied invention by using keywords)

- AI-related FI and AI core keywords are based on classifications and keywords used in “Methodology” of WIPO Technology Trends – Artificial Intelligence. Further, they are carefully selected and modified to properly extract “AI-related inventions” from domestic patent documents.

- The targets of this research are domestic applications and international applications based on PCT (Patent Cooperation Treaty) and transferred into the national phase in Japan, and for which the application year is 1988-2018.

- The above-mentioned sets A–C include 14,667, 16,122 and 30,730 patent applications respectively, and totally 46,204 applications are the target of this research. The overlapping relationship of above sets A–C is shown in Figure 2.

- Please notice that the research results described below are based on the analysis of the bibliographical information of patent documents including classifications and applicants, etc., not based on manual reading of patent documents.

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Figure 2 Overlapping relations of AI-related inventions to be researched (46,204 in total)

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4 “Application year” is determined based on the actual filing date as for domestic applications and the receiving date for domestic documents as for international patent applications.
2. Application trends in AI-related invention

2-1. Overall Trends in Application, Examination and Technology

- The transition of the number of domestic applications for AI-related inventions is shown in Figure 3. AI-related inventions have increased sharply since 2014, with about 4,700 in 2018 (of which about 1,500 are classified into G06N). Also, it can be seen from the graph in Figure 3 that AI-related inventions (the pink bar) have increased and decreased in accordance with the applications classified into G06N (the yellow bar).

Figure 3 The number of domestic applications for AI-related inventions

[Remarks]
- “The number of applications” includes undisclosed applications for which a decision of refusal, (deemed) withdrawal, or abandonment was made prior to publish.

- For AI-related inventions, the application boom occurred once in the early 1990s due to the so-called second AI boom, but the number of applications has been sluggish for nearly 20 years thereafter.

- The second AI boom, in which technologies such as knowledge-based models and expert systems were popular, came to an end due to the difficulty in teaching computers the complete rules in advance. In addition, a neural network was actively researched at that time, but the boom was also temporary because performance limitations had arisen.

- Figure 4, which shows the number of applications classified into G06N subclass, also supports that. In the first half of the 1990’s, all applications classified into any of
G06N3/02-3/10 (neural network), G06N5/ (knowledge base), G06N7/ (fuzzy logic etc.) and G06N20/ (machine learning: G06N99/00, 150-159 before FI revision. Same below.) increased, but then began to decline, and as for G06N5/ and G06N7/, the number of applications remains low today.

- Application growth after 2014 is considered to be the influence of the so-called the third AI boom, and machine learning including neural networks plays a leading role (Especially, deep learning roles a major position. The detail is described in 2-3.). It can be seen from Figure 4 that the factors pushing up the number of applications for the third AI boom are G06N3/02-3/10 and G06N20/.

- Figure 5 shows the transition in machine learning rates defined as the ratio of the applications with G06N3/02-3/10 or G06N20/ to the applications with G06N. The machine learning rate, which has been around 50 to 60% for long term, has risen from around 2013 and has reached 85% in 2018. Recent AI-related inventions are usually realized by machine learning.

- The third AI boom is considered to be caused because that methods to suppress over-learning in machine learning have developed and that the improvement of computer performance and the increase of available data volume have made it possible to put AI-related “theories” into “practical use”. For example, the idea of multi-layered neural network, which was the heart of deep learning, had been proposed for decades, but research on it had not progressed so far due to enormous computational cost. However, in 2012, a team at University of Toronto in Canada overwhelmed the others by using deep learning in the global image recognition contest “ILSVRC (ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Competition)”, which had become one of the occasions causing the third AI boom.

- The grant rate for AI-related inventions has been rising year by year since 2004, and has been steady at around 80% in recent years (Figure 6).

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5 See “ImageNet Classification with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks, A. Krizhevsky et al., NIPS 2012” for the detail of the method.
The number of applications classified into GO6N subclass
(showing the number in 1991 and 2018)

[Remarks]
As one application may be classified into multiple GO6N subclasses, the total of GO6N subclasses does not match "any of GO6N subclasses".

The machine learning rate
(Rate of the applications classified into GO6N3/02-3/10 or GO6N20/ to the applications classified into GO6N)
Figure 6  the Grant Rate for AI-related Inventions

[Remarks]
- Grant rate = number of decisions to grant a patent / (number of decisions to grant a patent + number of decisions of refusal + number of withdrawals or abandonment after FA)
2-2. Trends in AI-application Area

- We researched the main classifications of all AI-related inventions in order to find overall trends in the application area of AI-related inventions (Figure 7). We have extracted FI subclasses (Upper 4-digit subclass unit; only for G06F, 16/ and 17/20-28 were extracted) with more than 50 applications in 2018.

- It shows that G06T (image processing technology) and G06F16/ (information retrieval / recommendation; including G06F17/30 before FI revision) have been particularly major as main classifications assigned other than G06N.

- In addition, G06Q (business; including G06F17/60 before FI revision), A61B (medical diagnosis), G05B (control system and adjustment system in general), G01N (material analysis), G10L (speech processing), G06F17/20-28 (natural language processing / machine translation) and so on are also major AI-application area.

- Note that the scale of other G06F (information in general) is also large, including the major AI-application area such as G06F3/ (man machine interface) and G06F21/ (security).

![Figure 7 Composition of main classification of AI-related invention](image)

*Figure 7 Composition of main classification of AI-related invention (showing the number in 2018)*
Furthermore, Figure 8 shows the growth rate for each main classification with the number of applications in 2010 as 100%. As for almost all main classifications, the number of applications in 2018 is more than double that in 2010. Especially, classifications such as A61B (medical diagnosis), G05B (control system and adjustment system in general), G06G (traffic control) and G06T (image processing) show a high growth rate. It can be seen that the application of AI has been spreading rapidly in those fields in recent years.

- We researched the application trends in deep learning which is the biggest factor in the increase of applications for AI-related inventions in recent years. Among AI-related inventions, an application of which application documents (abstract, claim or specification) include any of deep-learning-related keywords listed in Annex 3 is defined as “AI-related invention referring to deep learning”, and Figure 9 shows the number of the applications.

- AI-related inventions referring to deep learning have become prominent since 2014 and have rapidly increased in recent years. In 2018, more than half of AI-related inventions are referring to deep learning in the application documents.

![Figure 9: The number of application of AI-related invention referring to deep learning](image)

- Figure 10 shows the number of applications for AI-related inventions that refer to the following three methods, which are important and frequently used deep learning methods. (Extracting by using the keywords in Annex 3)
  1. Convolutional Neural Network: CNN
  2. Recurrent Neural Network: RNN, or Long Short Term Memory: LSTM which is an extension of RNN
  3. Deep Reinforcement Learning

- Figure 10 highlights the number of CNNs frequently used in the image processing, but the number of applications for all methods has increased rapidly in the last few years.
Figure 10 The number of application of AI-related invention referring to the specific deep learning method

- Figures 11-1 to 11-3 show the composition ratio of the main classifications in each AI-related invention referring to (1) CNN, (2) RNN or LSTM, and (3) Deep Reinforcement Learning.

- It is well-known that CNN is suitable for video or image recognition processing, RNN and LSTM for speech recognition and text processing, and deep reinforcement learning for system control and optimization. Those technical characters are reflected in the configuration of each main classification shown in Figures 11-1 to 11-3. As for CNN, the classification of G06T (image processing) and H04N (video processing) are prominent, and as for RNN and LSTM, the classification of G10L (speech processing) and G06F17/20-28 (natural language processing) are prominent. Deep Reinforcement Learning is actually small in the number of applications per se, but it is often used in control-related technologies such as G05B (control system and adjustment system in general) and B25J (manipulator).

- It is important to continue to select and adopt appropriate deep learning methods (or other AI methods) according to the purpose and application of the system.
Figure 11-1  Configuration of main classifications of AI-related inventions referring to CNN (applications in 2013-18)

Figure 11-2  Configuration of main classifications of AI-related inventions referring to RNN or LSTM (applications in 2013-18)
Figure 11-3 Configuration of main classifications of AI-related inventions referring to Deep Reinforcement Learning (applications in 2013-18)
**2-4. Applicants Trends**

- Figure 12 shows the applicants with the highest number of applications for AI-related inventions in recent years. Figure 12 also shows the number of applications for AI-related inventions referring to deep learning. The target is applications in 2014 or later for which the patent publication had been issued by April 2020.

- Because this research targets domestic applications, Japanese companies occupy the top position, but some foreign companies are also prominent.

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Figure 12: The number of applications for AI-related inventions by applicants (Applications since 2014 and published by April 2020)
Figure 13 shows the composition ratio of the main classifications of the applications for AI-related inventions by the above applicants. As described in Figure 13, here, several main classifications are grouped and displayed as “video or image processing”, “control / robotics” and so on.

It can be seen that each applicant is using AI for a technical fields closely related to their own business.
Remarks

The term "number of applications" in Figures 12 and 13 refers to the number of applications.

Figure 13 The composition ratio of main classifications for AI-related inventions by applicants

[Remarks]

- The term “number of applications” in Figures 12 and 13 refers to the number of applications.
in 2014 or later for which any of (1) publication of unexamined patent application, (2) publication of PCT application, (3) publication of granted patent application or (4) JP domestic re-publication text of PCT publication has been issued by April 2020.

- As for joint application, the first applicant is counted.
- "NTT" stands for "Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp.".
- "Qualcomm Inc." is a generic term for "Qualcomm Inc." and "Qualcomm Technologies Inc.".
- "Google" is a generic term for "Google LLC" and "Google Inc.".
- "IBM" stands for "International Business Machines Corp.".
- "NHK" stands for "Japan Broadcasting Corp.".
- "NICT" stands for "National Institute of Information and Communications Technology".
- "Microsoft" stands for "Microsoft Technology Licensing, ELC.".
3. Application Status in each Country

- Figure 14 shows the number of national applications to the Five IP Offices and PCT classified into IPC: G06N. Similar to the situation in Japan, the number of applications for AI-related technology is increasing in each country. The United States and China are the major application destinations in the world.

- Furthermore, as a trend of applications related to neural networks, Figure 15 shows the number of applications classified into IPC: G06N3/02-3/10 (neural network). As for this, the number of applications in China is higher than the US, and it is also on the rise worldwide.

- Figure 16 shows the ratio of the applications including the deep-learning-related keywords listed in Annex 4 in its application documents (abstract, claim or specification) among applications to the five offices classified into G06N3/02-3/10. Although this ratio alone cannot measure technical levels of deep learning in each country, it can be seen the trend that the ratio is growing in all countries as well, which suggests that deep learning has been rapidly spreading in AI technology development around the world since 2014.

![Figure 14](image-url)  
*Figure 14 The number of applications to each country classified into G06N (showing the number of applications in 2012 and 2017)*
Figure 15 The number of applications classified into G06N3/02-3/10 (neural network) (showing the number of applications in 2012 and 2017)

Figure 16 The ratio of the applications including deep-learning-related keywords in its application documents among applications classified into G06N3/02-3/10

Remarks
Figures 14–16 are made based on WIPO Patentscope (searched on April 15, 2020). As the searched databases are different, the number of JP applications does not match the number of domestic
applications in Figure 3.

- "Application year" follows the definition in WIPO Patentscope.
- For Japan, China, and Korea, the number of applications includes utility models.
4. Reference Information about AI-related Invention

1. **WIPO Technology Trends - Artificial Intelligence** (This is a report on the application and research trends in each country regarding AI technology, published by WIPO in January 2019. This report is detailed on trends in AI-related technologies from a global perspective. When selecting the FI codes and keywords defining the scope of AI-related inventions in our research, we carefully referred to “Methodology” attached to this report.)

2. **J-PlatPat PMGS** (See here for details on FI and IPC.)

3. **Patent Examination Case Examples pertinent to AI-related technologies**
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<td>conducting machine learning, data mining or statistical analysis, e.g. extracting lesion parts by using AI; extracting lesion parts by cluster analysis</td>
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<td>B23Q: DETAILS, COMPONENTS, OR ACCESSORIES FOR MACHINE TOOLS</td>
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<td>for computer-aided diagnosis, e.g. based on medical expert systems</td>
<td>G16H: HEALTHCARE INFORMATICS, i.e. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY [ICT] SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR THE HANDLING OR PROCESSING OF MEDICAL OR HEALTHCARE DATA</td>
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<td>H01M8/04992</td>
<td>characterised by the implementation of mathematical or computational algorithms, e.g. feedback control loops, fuzzy logic, neural networks or artificial intelligence</td>
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【Annex 2】AI core keywords (Hereinafter, ○C or ○N respectively means ○ characters neighborhood search with or without specifying word order.)

- 機械学習
- (マシン+machine),2C,(ラーニング+learning)
- (学習アルゴリズム+学習モデル)
  - (教師あり+教師有+教師付+教師つき),2C,(学習+トレーニング+訓練)
  - (教師なし+教師無),2C,(学習+トレーニング+訓練)C.
  - (半教師あり+半教師有+半教師付+半教師つき),2C,(学習+トレーニング+訓練)
- (ニューラル+neural),2C,(ネット+network)
  - 多層,2C,パーセプトロン
  - ネオコグニトロン
  - (コネクショニスト+コネクションズム)
  - パック,2C,プロパゲーション
- 誤差逆伝播
  - (過剰適合+過剩学習+過適合+過学習)
  - (シグモイド+活性化),2C,関数
- (深層+ディープ+deep),2C,(学習+ラーニング+learning)
  - (deep+ディープ+深層),2C,(強化+reinforcement+Q+信頼+ビリーフ+belief)
- オートエンコーディング
- 自己符号化
- ボルツマンマシン
- 潜在表現
- 次元削減
  - (強化+レインフォースメント+リインフォースメント),2C,(学習+ラーニング)
  - Q,1C,(学習+ラーニング+Learning)
  - long,2C,short,2C,term
- 長,2C,短期記憶
  - (敵対+generative),2C,(生成+adversarial),2C,(ネット+network)
- 表現学習
- 転移学習
- アンサンブル学習
- ファイン,2C,チューニング
  - (アクティブ+能動),2C,(ラーニング+学習)
- セルフ,2C,ラーニング
- 自己学習
- 遺伝,2C,(アルゴリズム+モデル+モデル)
- 群知能
スワーム,2C,インテリ
サポート,2C,ベク,3C,マシン
SVM
ランダム,2C,フォレスト
（決定+ディシジョン）,2C,（木+トリー+ツリー）
（ベイズ+ベイジアン）,2C,（ネット+モデル+モデル+推定）
（決定+ディシジョン）,2C,（モデル+モデル）
（勾配+gradient）,2C,（ブースト+ブースティング+boost）
XG,2C,（ブースト+ブースティング+boost）
（ADA+エイダ+アダ）,2C,（ブースト+ブースティング+boost）
（RANK+ランク+ランキング）,2C,（ブースト+ブースティング+boost）
ロジスティ,3C,回帰
確率,2C,勾配,2C,降下
（潜在+latent）,2C,（意味+セマンティ+概念+semantic）
（潜在+latent）,2C,（ディリクレ+ディレクレ+dirichlet）
（隠+確率+モデル+モデル+ネット+過程）,2N,マルコフ
（コンピュー+コンピュテ）,7C,クリエイティ
記述,2C,（モデル+モデル）
特徴選択
（ワード+単語）,3n,（分散表現+埋め込+埋め込+埋込+エンベッド+エンベッディング+エンベディング）
確率,2C,（アプローチ+テクニック+手法+方法+アルゴリズム）
ファジ,2C,（論理+理論+ロジック+制御）
カオス,2C,（モデル+モデル+理論）
混合ガウス
トピック,2C,（モデル+モデル+分析+ラベ+抽出）
（チャット+AI）,2C,ポト
ロボ,2C,アドバイ
エキスパート,2C,システム
マルチ,2C,エージェント,2C,システム
（帰納+論理）,2C,プログラミング
オントロジ
（概念+セマンティック+意味）,2C,（モデル+モデル）
（知識ベース+知識モデル）
（人工知能+計算知能）
artificial,2C,intelligence
【Annex 3】Deep-Learning-related keywords (Hereinafter, ○C or ○N respectively means ○ characters neighborhood search with or without specifying word order.)

1. (深層+ディープ+deep),2C,(学習+ラーニング+learning)
2. (deep+ディープ+深層),2C,(ニューラル+neural+信頼+ピリーフ+belief)
3. (オートエンコーダ+オート・エンコーダ+自己符号化)
4. (制限+制約),2c,ボルツマン
5. (畳み+畳込+たたみ+convolutional+convolution+コンポリューション+コンボリューショナル),3C,(ニューラル+neural)
6. (リカレント+再帰+recurrent),2C,(ニューラル+neural)
7. long,2C,short,2C,term
8. 長,2C,短期記憶
9. (deep+ディープ+深層),2C,(強化+reinforcement+Q),2C,(ネット+学習+ラーニング+network+learning)
10. (敵対+generative),2C,(生成+adversarial),2c,(ネット+network)

- CNN-related keywords → 5
- RNN-or-LSTM-related keywords → 6,7,8
- Deep-Reinforcement-Learning-related keywords → 9
## Deep-Learning-related keywords in different languages

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