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# Executive summary

The present document specifies a high-level functional abstraction of the process of intent policy Multi-Stage translating in ENI system in terms of Functional Modules, Internal Reference Points and working pipelines.

# Introduction

With the development of intelligent telecommunication network, multiple AI platforms or AI systems have been developed, resulting in repeated construction and serious fragmented distribution of AI capabilities, and it is impossible to achieve centralized management and sharing of AI capabilities. AI capabilities dispersed to a single point need to be managed and invoked by other systems to provide more efficient services and improve the efficiency of network operation management.

# 1 Scope

The purpose of this work item is to investigate the infrastructure of network knowledge management capabilities in network operation scenarios, and support network practice of large models for network OAM, such as maintenance, optimization and decision based on the network knowledge management capabilities.

The scope of this GS includes: the motivation and definition of network knowledge management; the functional blocks of network knowledge management; the detailed procedure to realize network operation scenarios with the network knowledge.

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[i.1] ETSI GR ENI 004: "Experiential Networked Intelligence (ENI); Terminology for Main Concepts in ENI".

[i.2] ETSI GR ENI 031: "Experiential Networked Intelligence (ENI); Construction and application of fault maintenance network knowledge graphs.

# 3 Definition of terms, symbols and abbreviations

## 3.1 Terms

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## 3.2 Symbols

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## 3.3 Abbreviations

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# 4 Introduction

With the rapid development of network, the complexity of network operation and management is greatly enhanced. Data-driven artificial intelligence (AI) technology is faced with such problems as high consumption of computing power and training reasoning time, and poor data interpretation, and AI is evolving from data-driven to data & knowledge-driven.

Network knowledge management refers to the process of collecting, processing, storing and applying knowledge through internet and information technology tools. Network knowledge management is the cognitive foundation of large-scale network model, which provides general knowledge and professional knowledge as training data for large models for network OAM, and provides on-line application of multi-scene knowledge in large models reasoning. The large models for network OAM can generate new knowledge based on existing knowledge and support knowledge completion of network knowledge management.

In addition, network knowledge management can provide necessary knowledge and knowledge application, and support experts in various fields to build and maintain knowledge.

# 5 Network knowledge management

## 5.1 Functional blocks of network knowledge management

The functional blocks of network knowledge management are shown in Figure 1, which consist of network knowledge source data management, network knowledge processing, network knowledge classified maintenance, and network knowledge scenario application. The network knowledge management can acquire source data that network knowledge processing needed, existed knowledge from other systems and new knowledge generated by large models for network OAM. Also the knowledge can be shared to large models for network OAM to support the training of the models, or be applied by external systems through knowledge service.

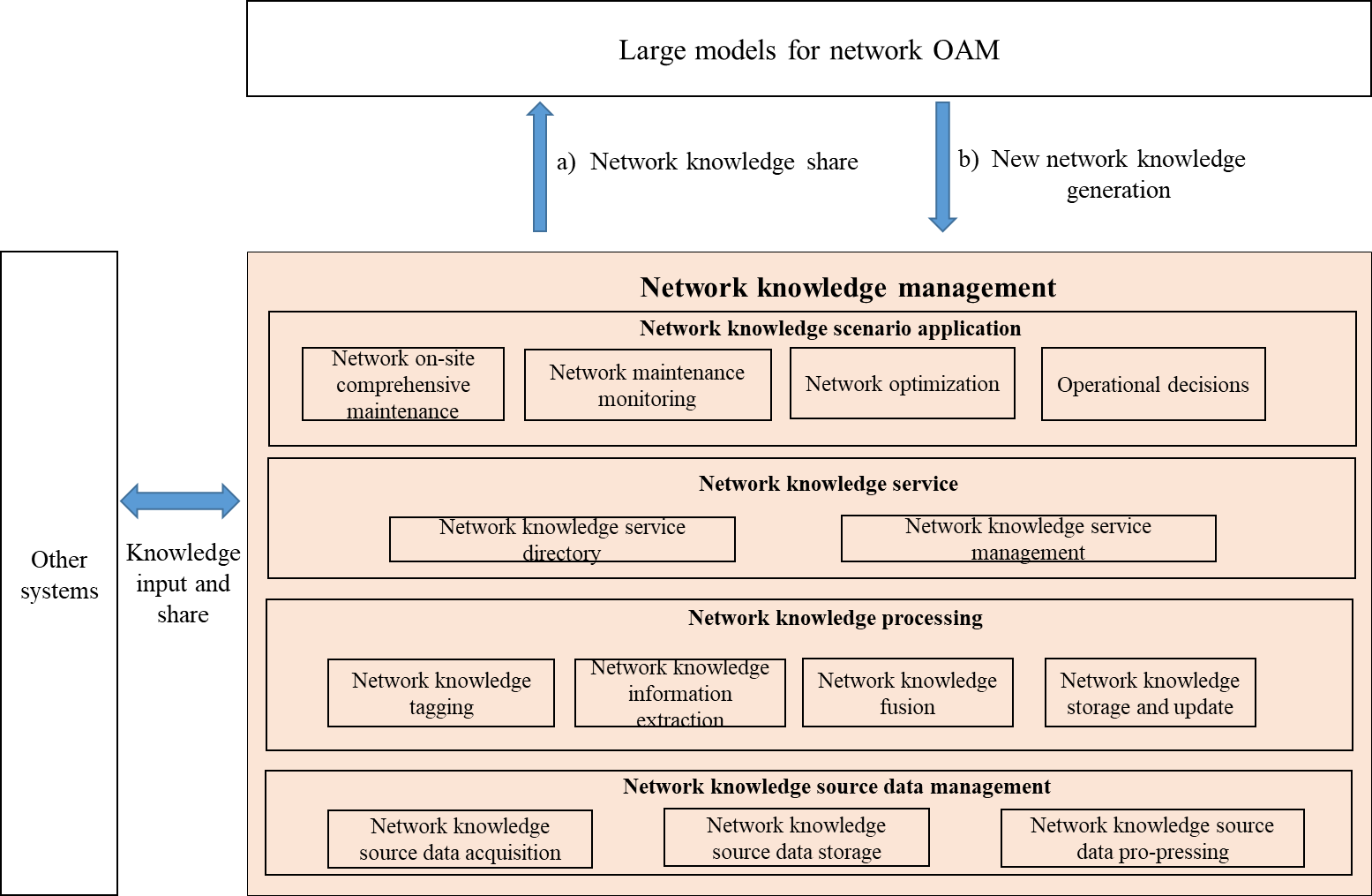


Figure 1: Functional blocks of network knowledge management

## 5.2 Network knowledge source data management

Knowledge source data management can mainly acquire, storage and pro-pressing the data of network large model and other systems, as the input of knowledge processing, and provide full data support for knowledge management. It is necessary to select the appropriate data source according to the actual situation.

1. Network knowledge source data acquisition: This functional block collects the data from network large model and other systems.
2. Network knowledge source data storage: This functional block selects the appropriate database to store the acquired data.
3. Network knowledge source data pro-pressing: This functional block processes such as data cleaning, filtering and format conversion to ensure data quality and availability.

## 5.3 Network knowledge processing

Network knowledge processing can provide the capability to support the generation of network knowledge from network knowledge source data management, including network knowledge tagging, network knowledge information extraction, network knowledge fusion and network knowledge storage and update.

1. Network knowledge tagging: This functional block supports the tagging of entities, relations and attributes that make up the network knowledge graph, and provides tagging data for network knowledge information extraction model.
2. Network knowledge information extraction: This functional block identifies and acquires knowledge elements and relationships from various sources in different manners such as manually input, template based extraction, customised extraction and automatic extraction.
3. Network knowledge fusion: This functional block merges the network knowledge elements to remove redundancy, eliminate ambiguity and form a globally unified knowledge identifier, and supports network knowledge fusion based on different models, algorithms and rules.
4. Network knowledge storage and update: This functional block provides appropriate storage functions and repositories for network knowledge in different environment, categories and formats, and updates network knowledge for requirements.

## 5.4 Network knowledge service

Network knowledge service can provide and manage the fundamental and reusable capabilities packaged as services to enable knowledge utilization in different ways.

1. Network knowledge service directory: This functional block provides some services or network knowledge to large models for network OAM or other systems.
2. Network knowledge service management: This functional block includes but not limited to knowledge retrieval, intent analysis, knowledge recommendation, knowledge delivery, knowledge assisted decision-making, etc.

## 5.5 Network knowledge scenario application

Network knowledge scenario application can provide scenario applications and tools with support of well-defined and tested knowledge. The scenarios in network knowledge scenario application layer of could be classified into four types which are network on-site comprehensive maintenance , network maintenance monitoring , network optimization and operational decisions.

# 6 Detailed procedure to realize network operation scenarios with the network knowledge

## 6.1 Basic procedure to realize network operation scenarios with the network knowledge

The functional blocks in Figure 1 are the functional building blocks for building network knowledge, providing atomic capabilities for the network operation scenario. The basic procedure to realize network operation scenarios with the network knowledge includes:

1. Network knowledge generation procedure

Network knowledge generation includes all the stages from network knowledge source data acquisition to network knowledge generating, storing and updating. The specific interaction procedure of network knowledge generation is as follows in Figure 2:

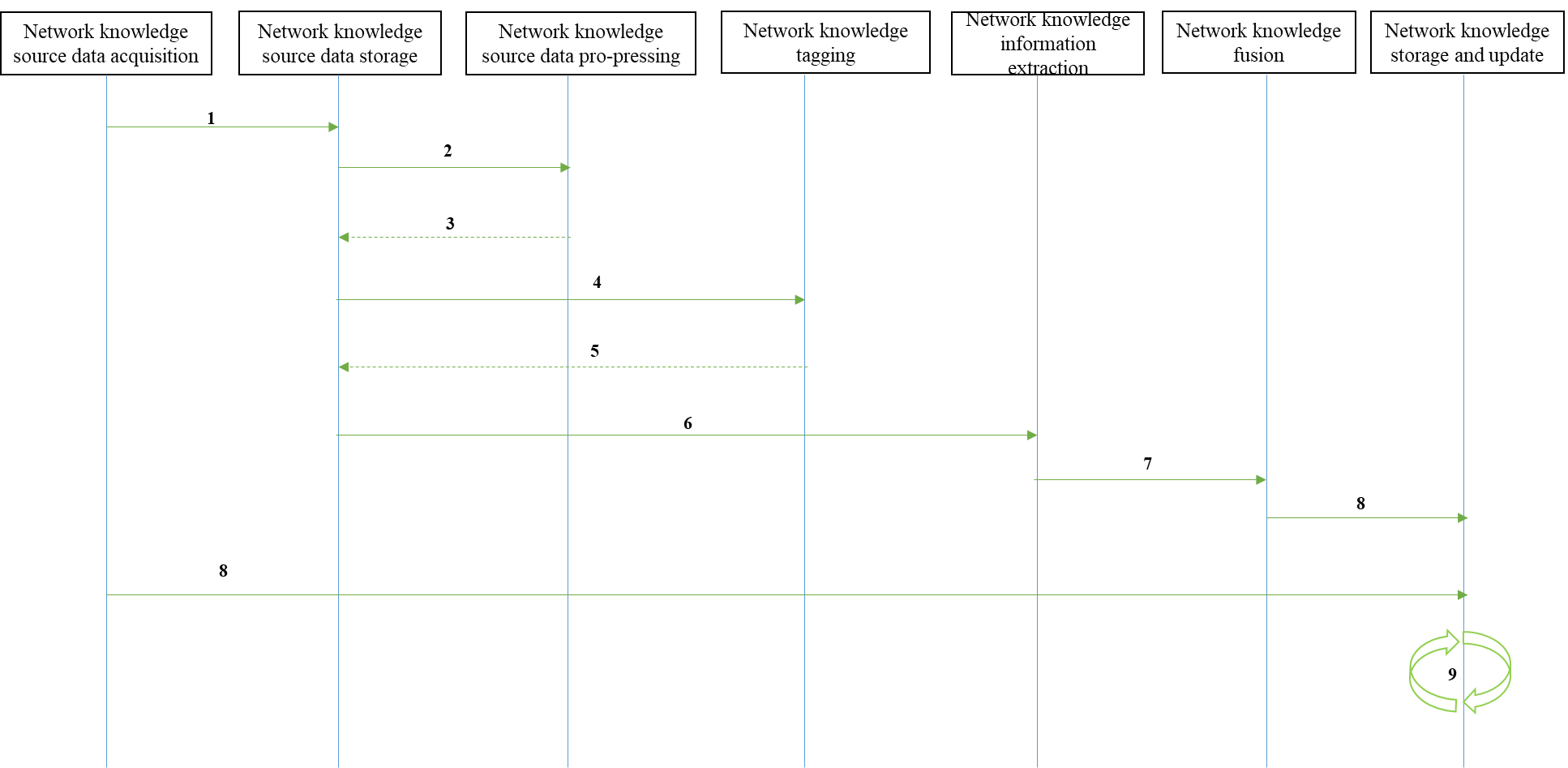


Figure 2: Network knowledge generation procedure

* 1: Obtain the network knowledge source data from other systems, such as resource management system.
* 2-3: Storage network knowledge source data and pre-processed data into data lake or data base.
* 4-5: Tag network knowledge data from network knowledge source data storage, and storage them into network knowledge source data storage.
* 6: Extract network knowledge information based on AI models or other technologies.
* 7: Fuse multiple network knowledge to a network knowledge graph.
* 8: Storage the fused network knowledge and the network knowledge from other systems or large models for network OAM.

Note: There are two eights, one is for storage the fused network knowledge, and the other is for storage the network knowledge from other systems or large models for network OAM.

* 9: Update original network knowledge based on input network knowledge, and storage updated network knowledge.

1. Network knowledge application procedure

Generated network knowledge can be applied to network planning and construction, network maintenance, network optimization and operational decisions scenarios. The specific interaction procedure of network knowledge application is as follows in Figure 3:

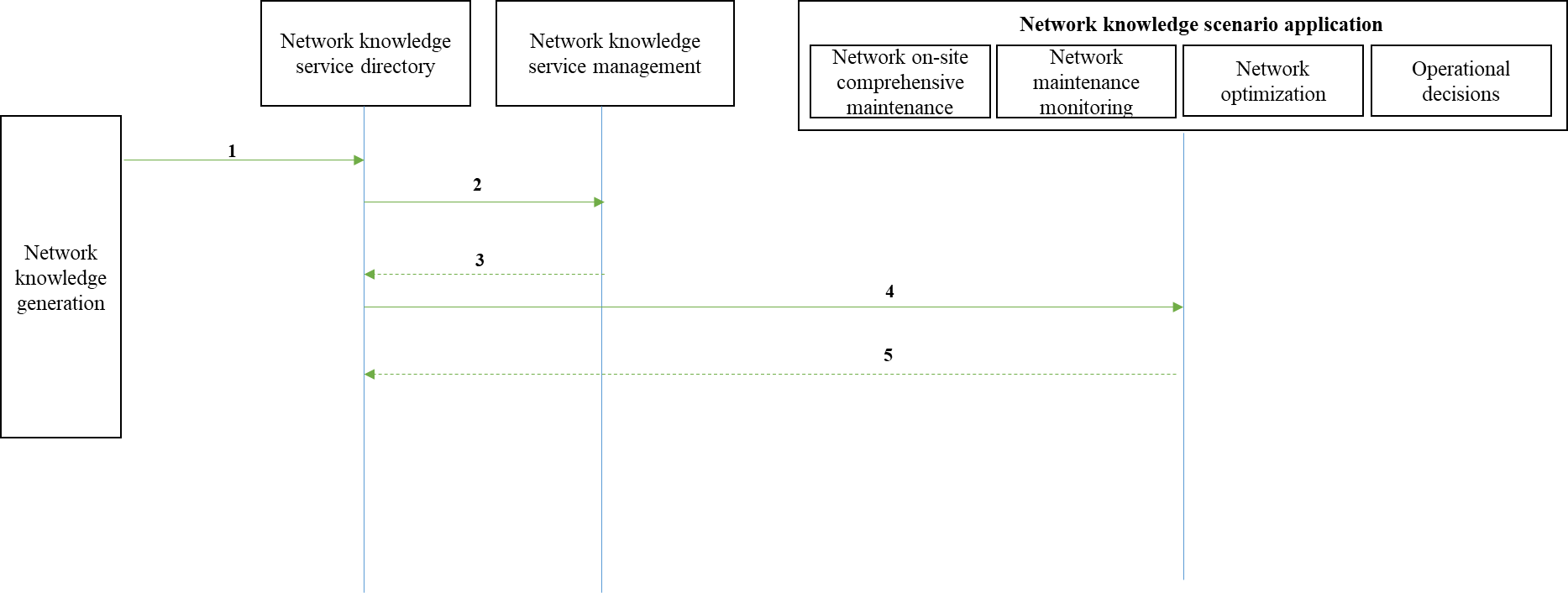


Figure 3: Network knowledge application procedure

* 1: Storage network knowledge in network knowledge service directory form network knowledge generation.
* 2-3: Perform network knowledge service based on the generated network knowledge, and the complete service is stored in the network knowledge service directory.
* 4-5: Perform network knowledge scenario application based on the network knowledge service and form new knowledge. Storage the new knowledge to network knowledge service directory.

## 6.2 Procedure to realize network on-site comprehensive maintenance with the network knowledge

Network on-site comprehensive maintenance scenario includes fault handling, resource change and so on. These scenarios mainly rely on historical work order data, fault case base, hidden danger disposal scheme, operation process specifications, equipment information and other data, precipitate the network knowledge such as fault phenomenon knowledge, fault solution knowledge, hidden trouble treatment knowledge, etc.. For example, network knowledge management can effectively improve patrol efficiency, speed up fault treatment efficiency, optimize fault treatment effect, and enhance the automation ability of the whole process.

The network knowledge of the network knowledge base can be called to identify the faults during the patrol, which can provide potential causes and corresponding solutions. In the security audit stage, it can automatically monitor the standardization of operation based on network knowledge. The implementation procedure is as follows in Figure 4:

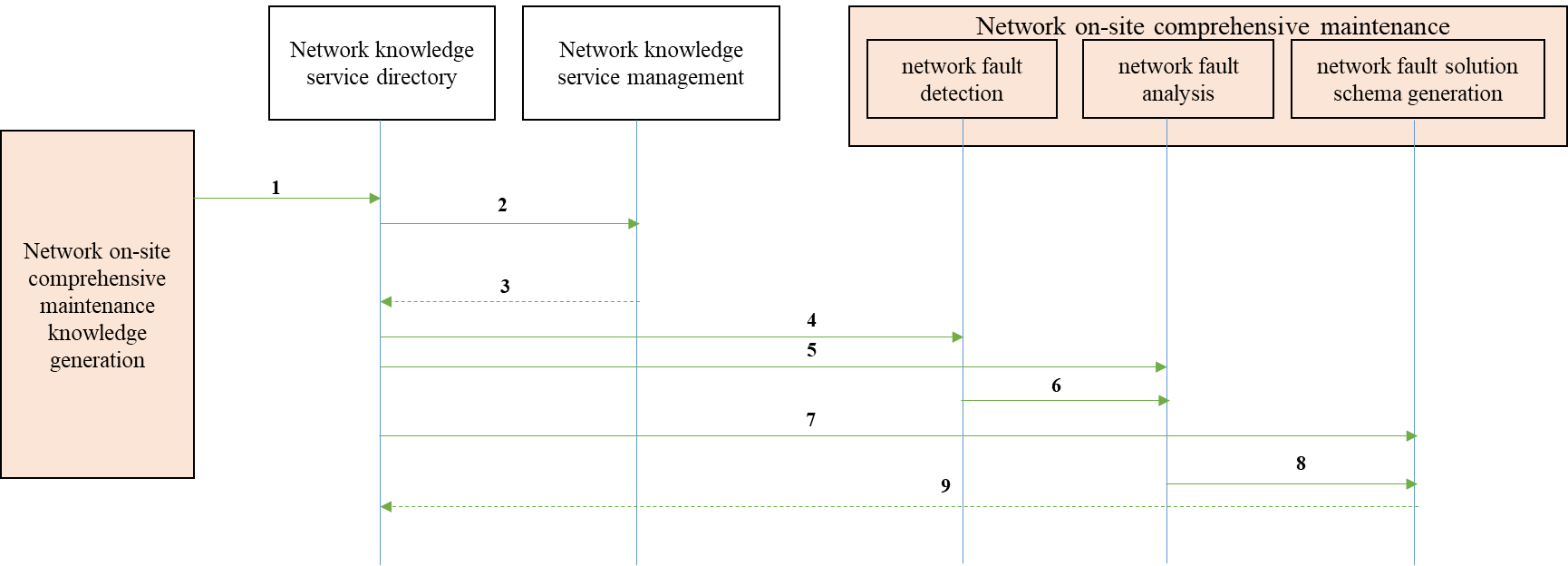


Figure 4: Network on-site comprehensive maintenance procedure based on network knowledge

* 1: Storage network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge in network knowledge service directory form network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge generation. The generated network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge includes but not limited equipment fault knowledge (including the cause of the fault, solutions and processes), inspection/work order record (including equipment operation status, maintenance time and maintenance content), etc..
* 2-3: Perform network knowledge service based on the generated network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge, and the complete service is stored in the network knowledge service directory.
* 4: Perform network fault detection based on the network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge which is from network knowledge service directory.
* 5-6: Perform network fault analysis based on the network on-site comprehensive maintenance knowledge and the result of network fault detection.
* 7-9: Perform network fault solution schema generation based on the network knowledge service and the result of network fault analysis, and form new knowledge. Storage the new knowledge to network knowledge service directory.

6.3 Procedure to realize network maintenance monitoring with the network knowledge

Network maintenance is oriented to integrated network monitoring and maintenance, focusing on the direction of “alarm root cause analysis, intelligent human-computer interaction, decision-making scheme generation” based on network knowledge, the goal of improving quality, reducing cost and increasing efficiency can be realized through the scenario transformation driven by data and knowledge.

## 6.4 Procedure to realize network optimization with the network knowledge

## 6.5 Procedure to realize operational decisions with the network knowledge

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