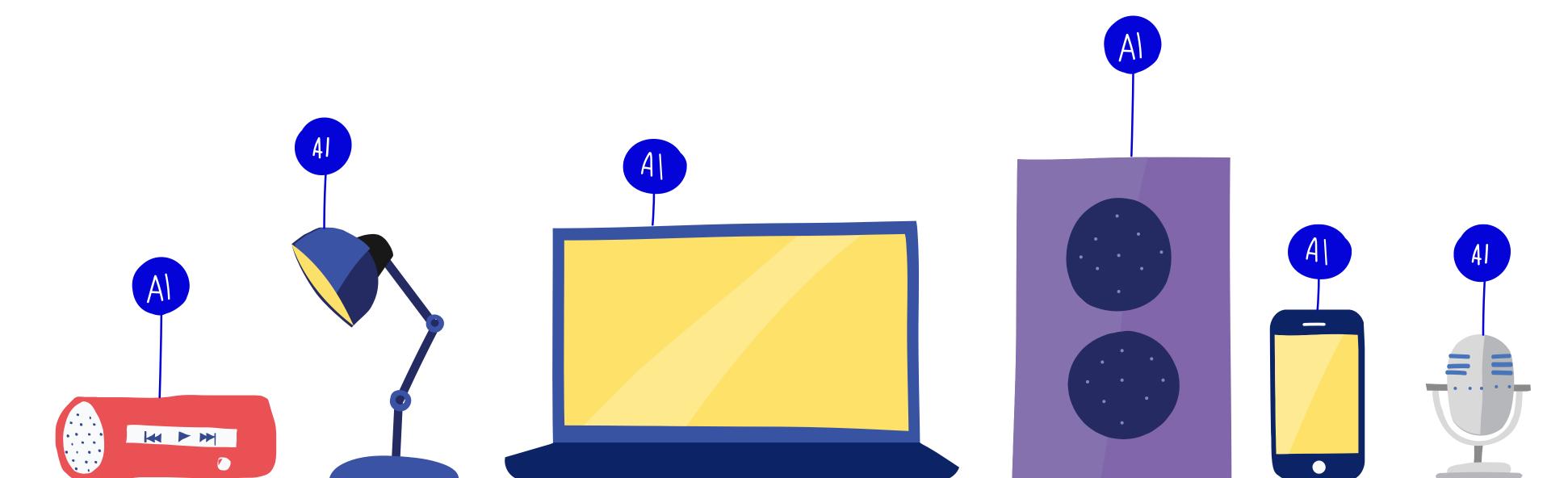


### neural networks on the edge

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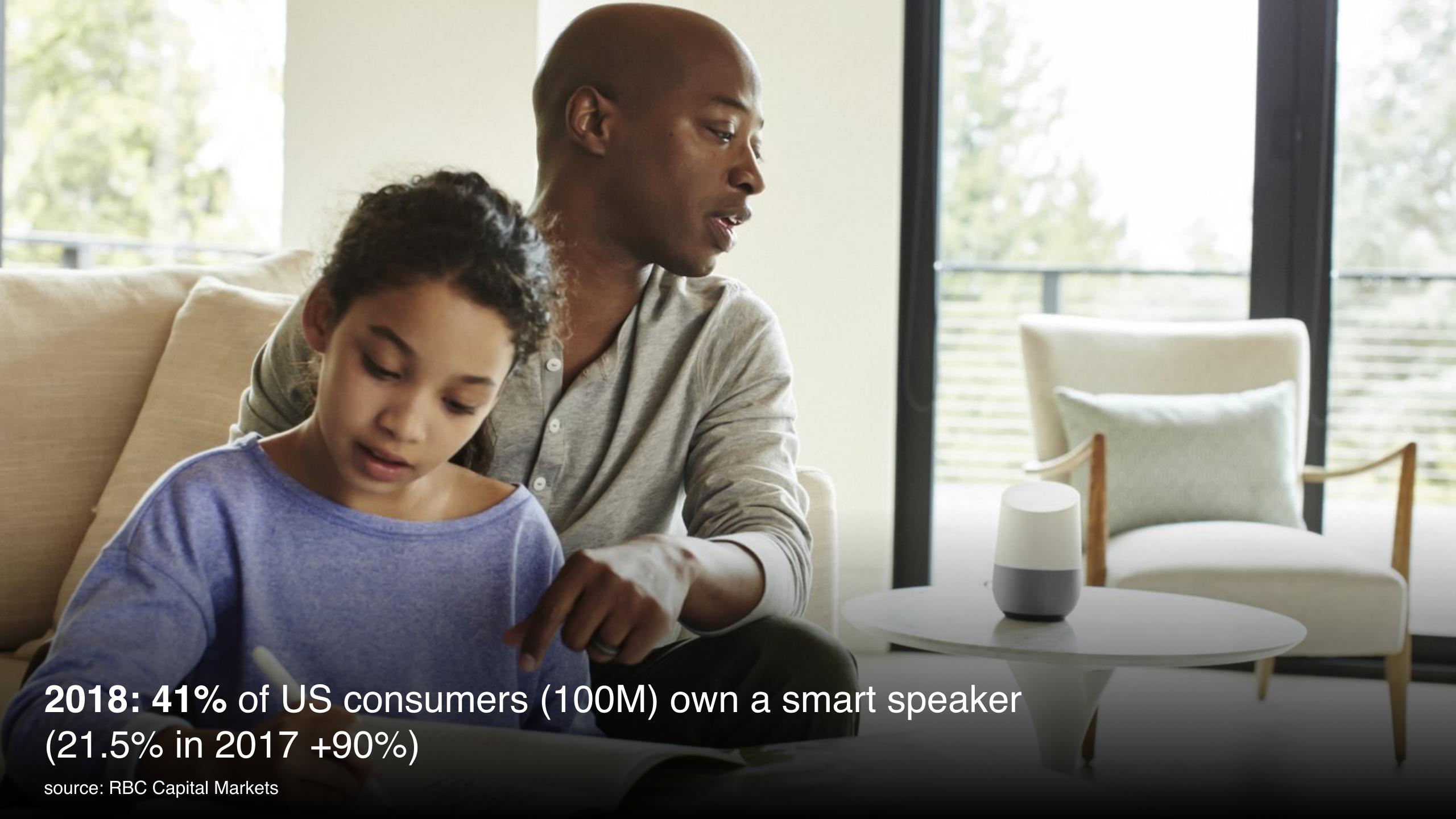
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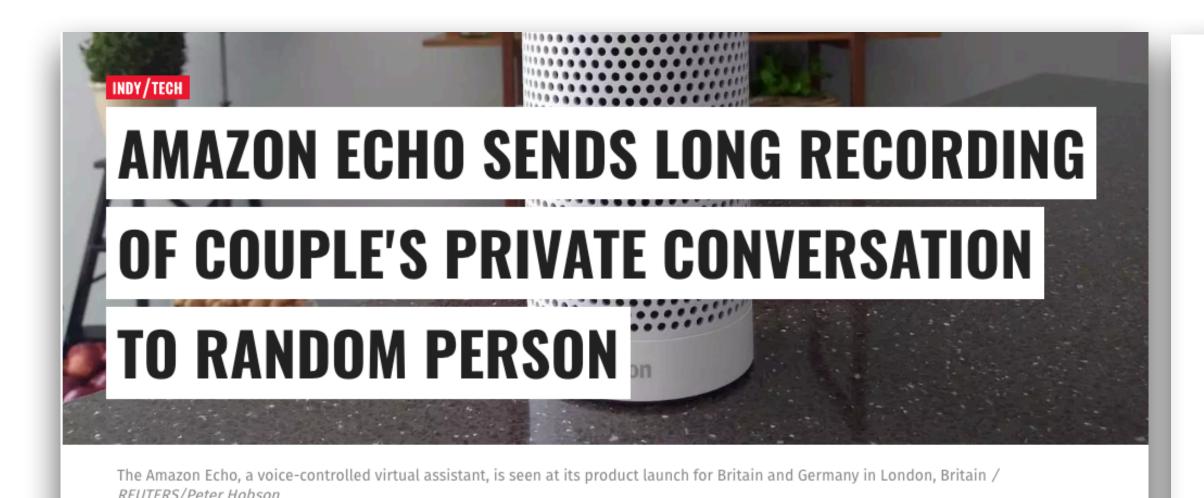


### Voice Interfaces

Privacy concerns & Snips approach









**REVIEWS** 

### Amazon Echo's calling feature includes a major privacy flaw

The only way to block someone right now is to turn the new feature off, a user discovers and reports.

TIM MOYNIHAN GEAR 12.05.16 9:00 AM

'Unplug your Alexa devices right now. You're being hacked.'

## EXAAND GOGLE HOME WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT

**Amazon Admit Alexa Listens To Your Private Conversations** 

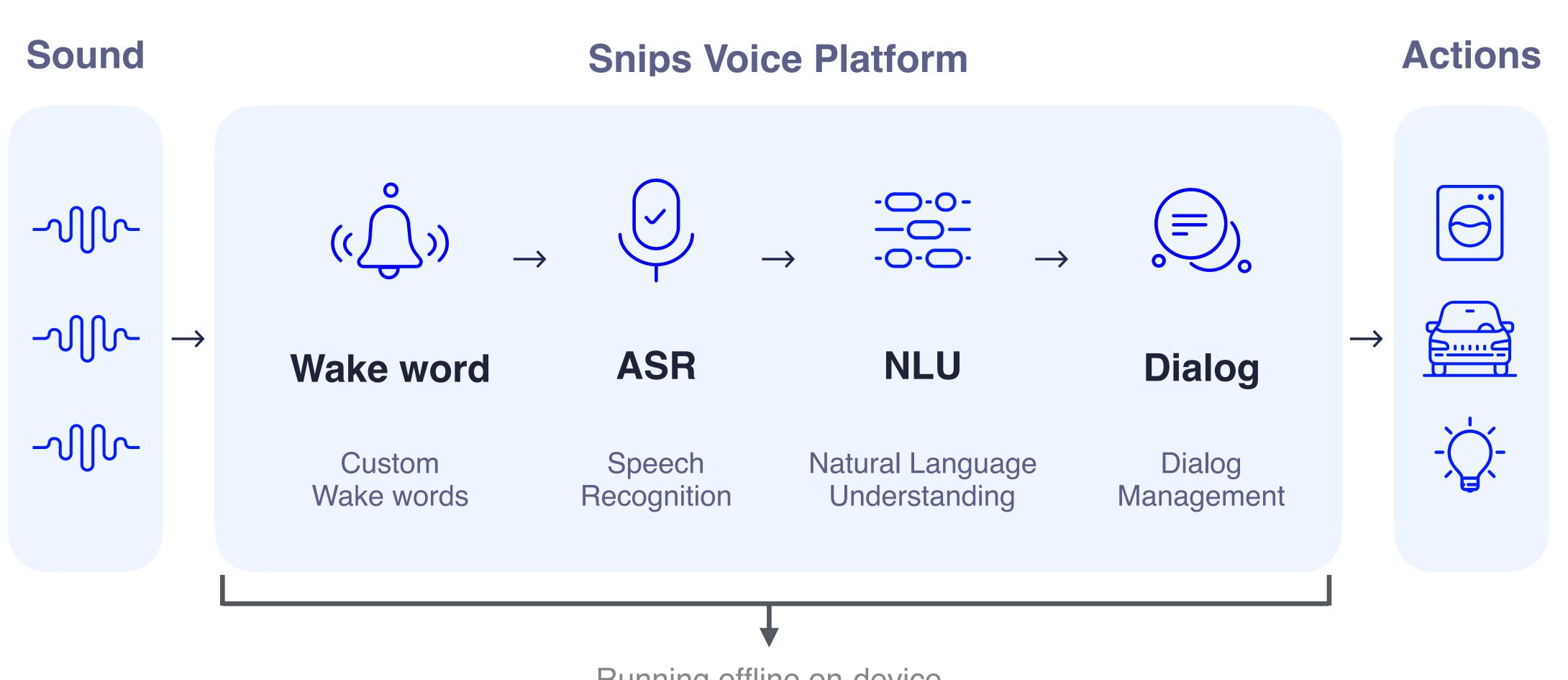
Google Home Mini flaw left smart speaker recording everything

Updated: Google has released a firmware update to fix a Home Mini bug that made the device a privacy threat.



By Liam Tung | October 11, 2017 -- 13:00 GMT (14:00 BST) | Topic: Google

### Anatomy of a voice assistant



Running offline on-device







### Running on the edge





Raspberry Pi 3
1GB RAM
1.4GHz 4xCPU
ARM v8
35\$







Intent recognition and processing

### Running on the edge... in multiple rooms

#### **Satellite**

### **Example Target Hardware**



Raspberry Pi 0
512MB RAM
1GHz CPU
ARM v6 + VFP
5\$



Wake word



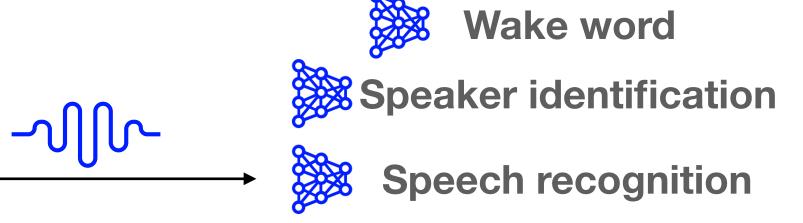
**Audio capture** 

#### **Main device**



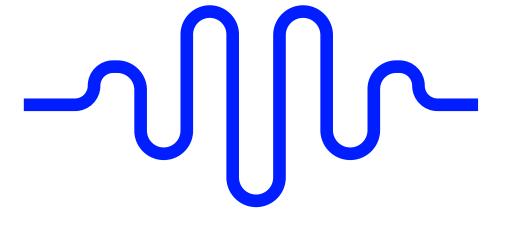


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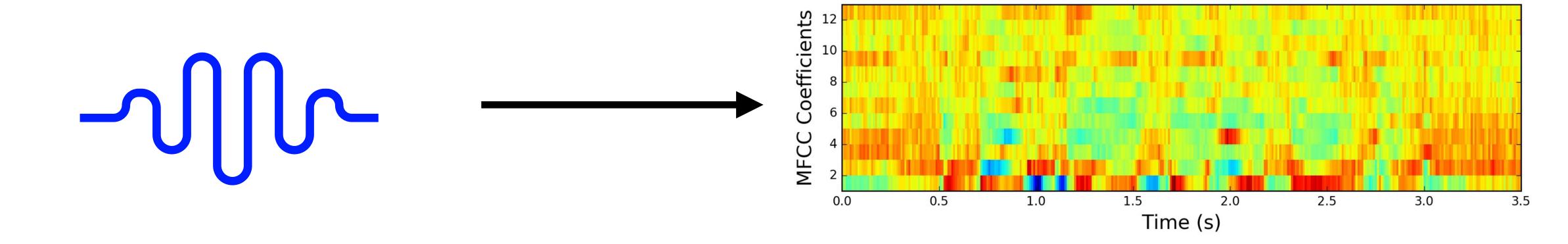


Intent recognition and processing

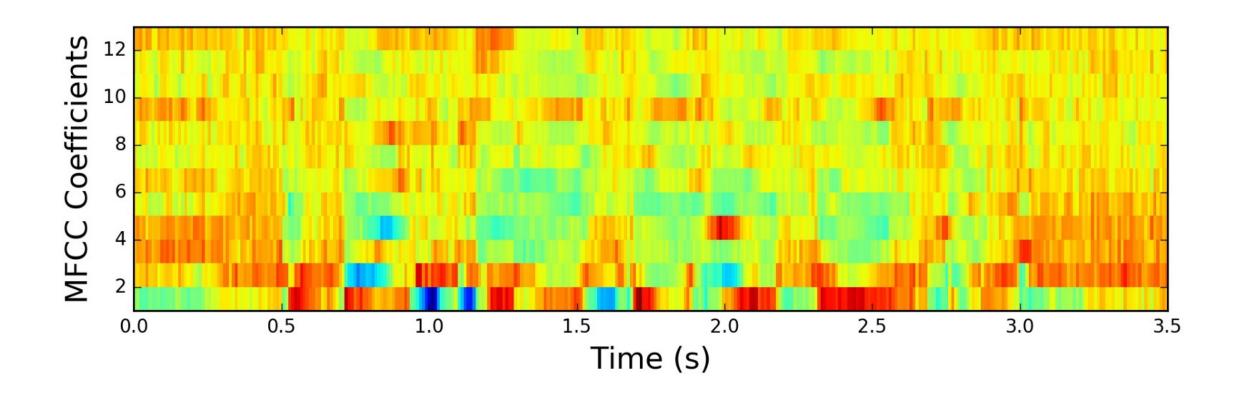
# Real-time voice and convolutions

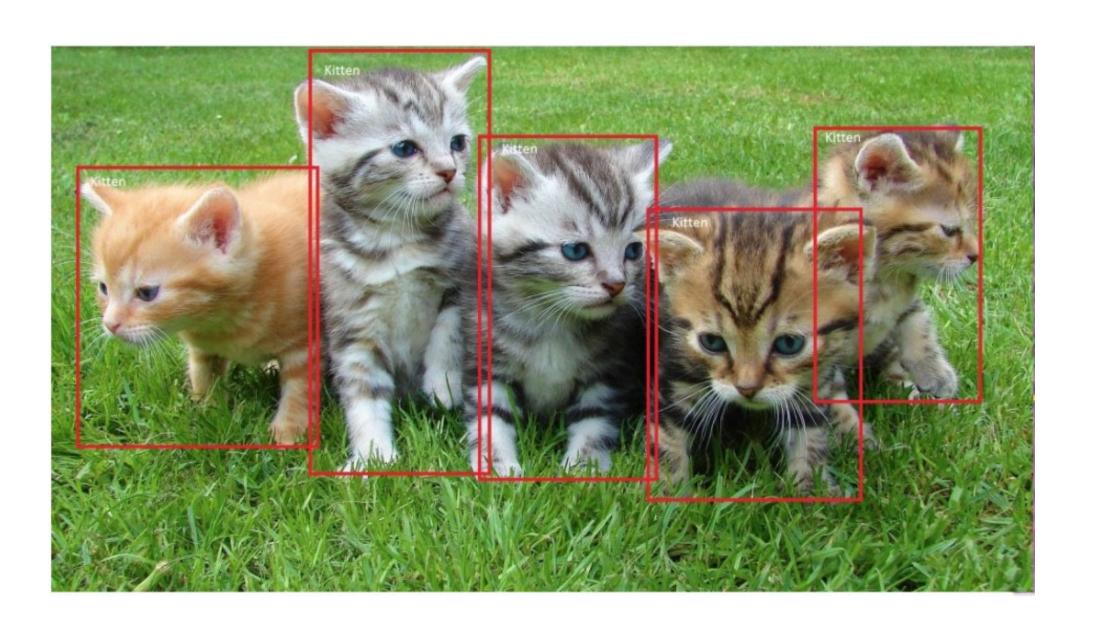


### Real time voice versus image

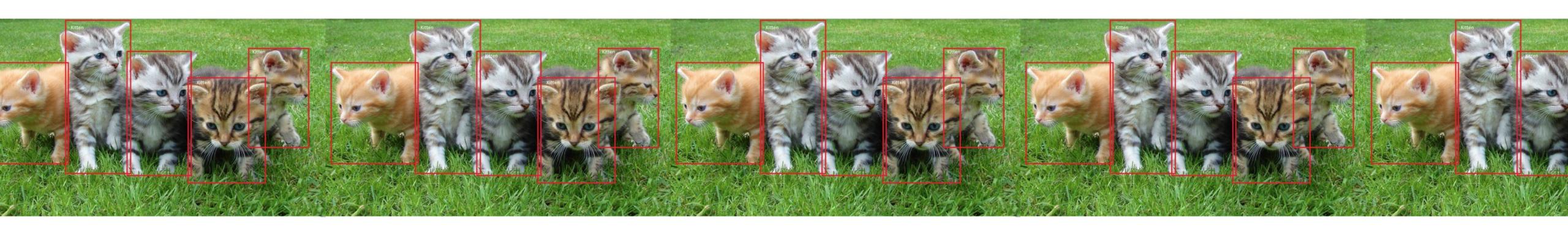


### Real time voice versus image





### Real time voice versus image



### Streaming

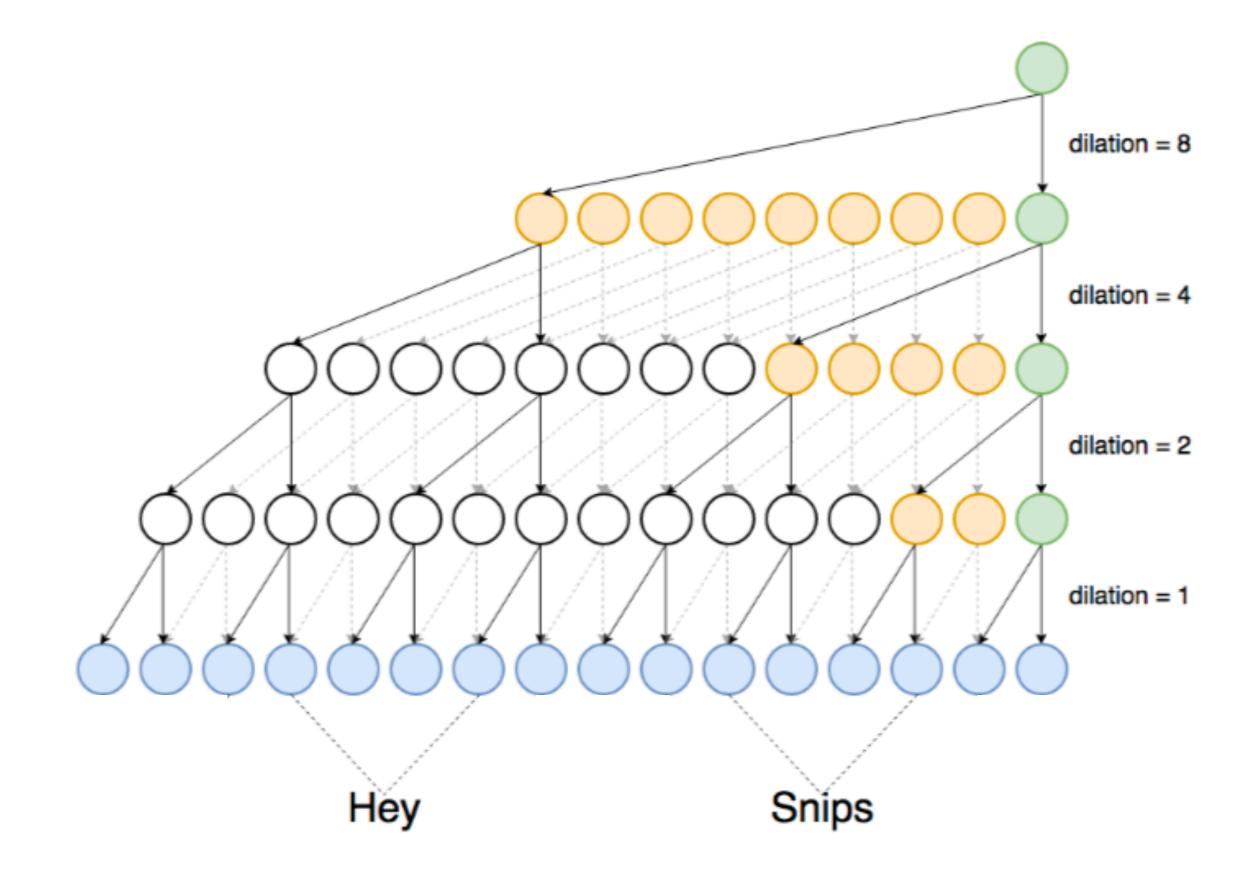
- Image Tensor: [width,height,depth] (299x299x3)
- Streaming audio: [time,feature] (∞, 40)
- Streaming is a must because:
  - Infinite input wont work
  - and... you can't wait anyway.

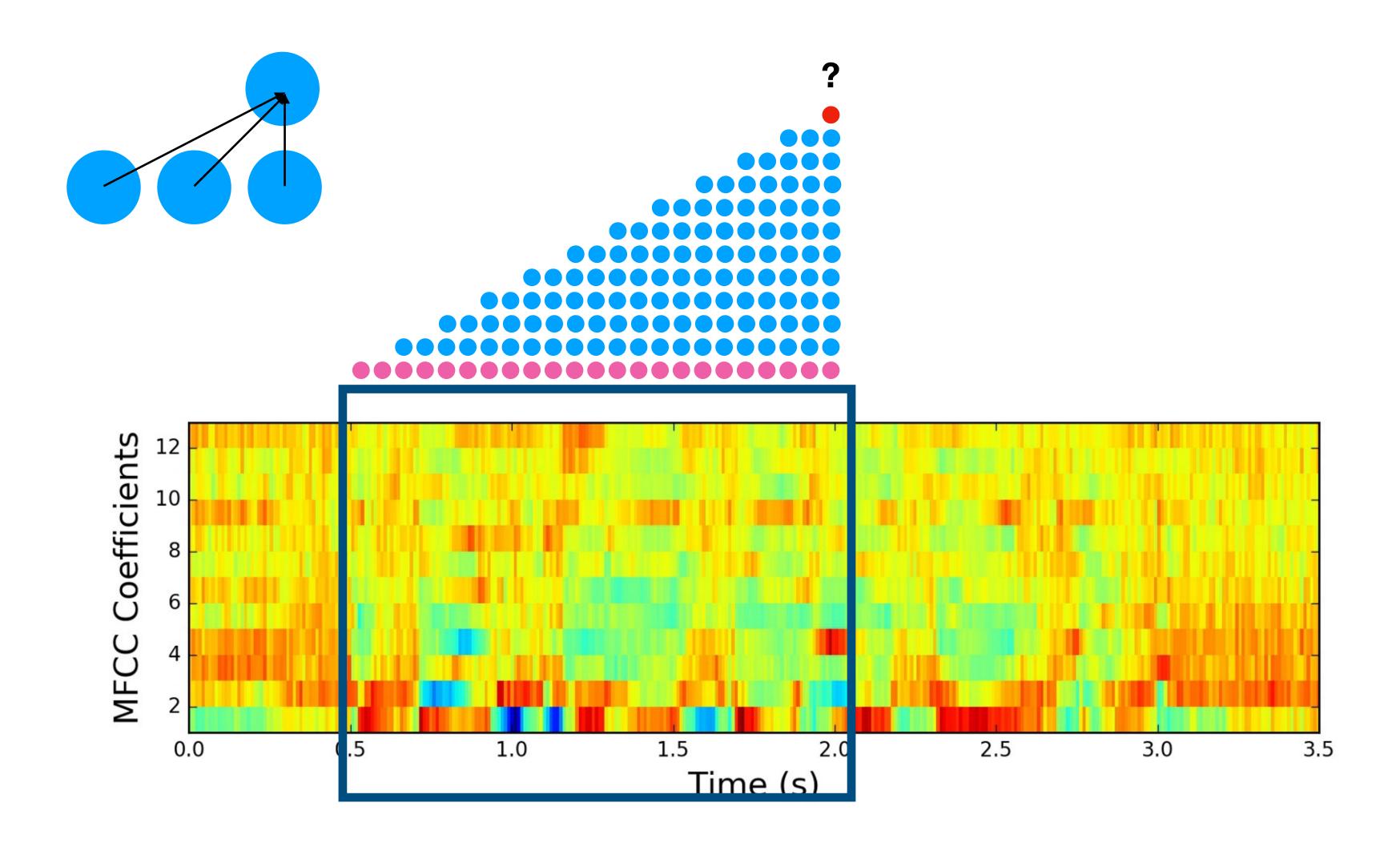
### Recurring networks

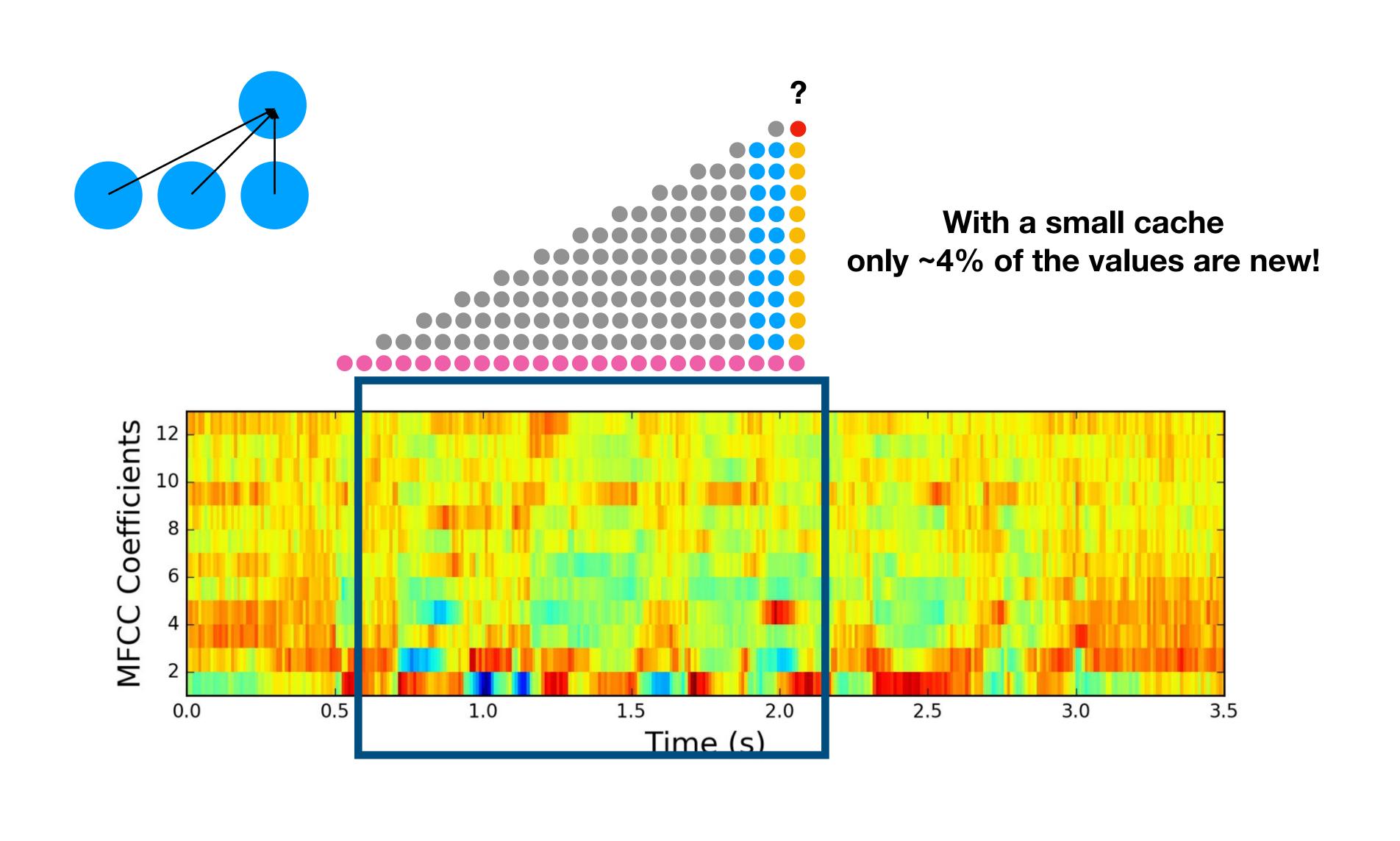
- Naturally streaming over chunks
- DeepSpeech
- State management issue with infinite inputs

### WaveNet

- A network family developed for artificial voice generation
- Better results on the wake word task (paper, patent pending)
- Big stack of small convolutions:
  - wide receptive field: end-to-end
  - affordable: reusable values







### How to run it...

- Hardcode it
- Cajole TensorFlow (or Lite) into running it:
  - wire Variable2/Assign around the 48 convolution operators
  - then run batches through the network

### Introducing...

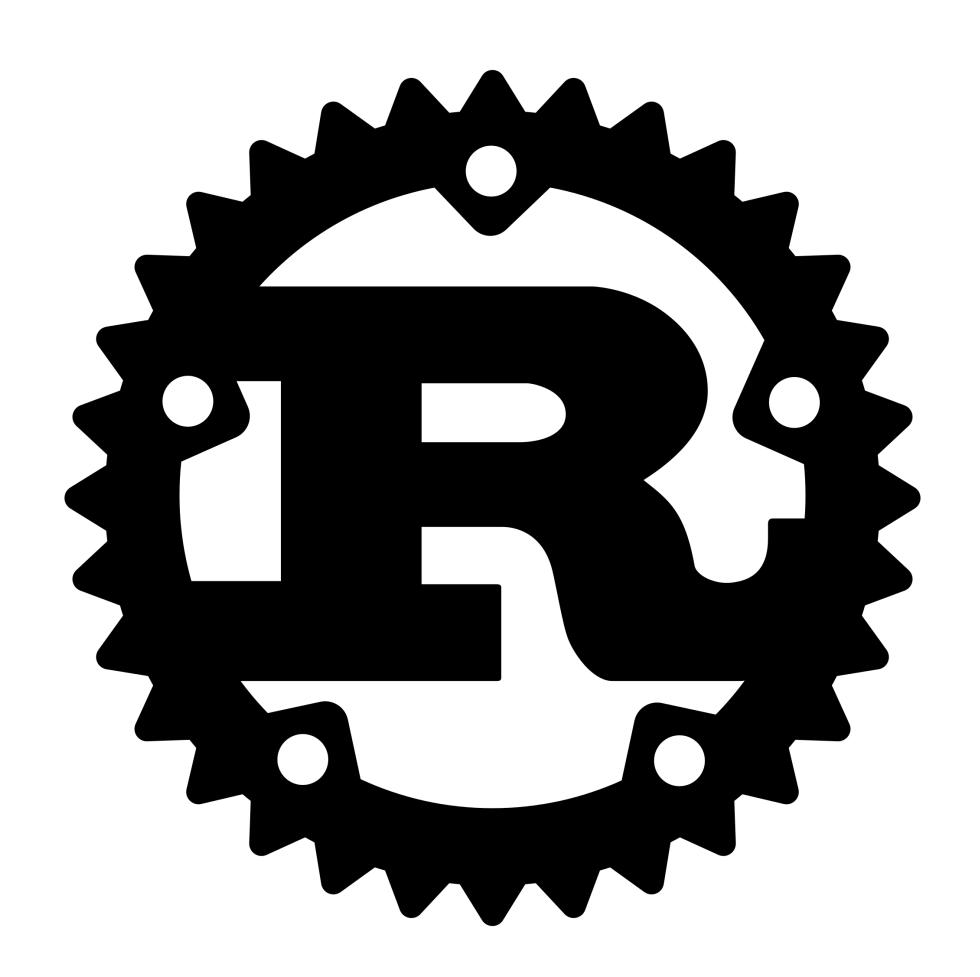


### tract

- Snips Neural Network inference engine
- Small CPU friendly (ARMv6 to ARMv8)
- OpenSource
- In Rust
- Is not TensorFlow

### Tract is a Rust library

- Rust is Snips' go-to language for embedded software
  - Portability
  - Performance
  - Safety



### TensorFlow support

- Read native TensorFlow format
- TensorFlow operator set is huge, and not specified
  - adding operators as needed
- More comprehensive than TensorFlow-Lite already



### **ONNX** support

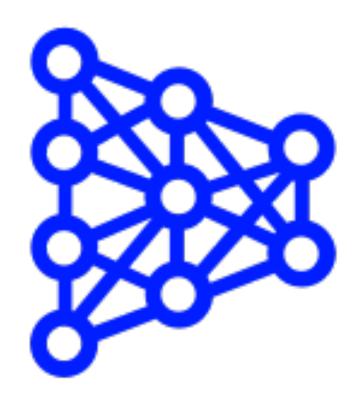
- Read native ONNX format
- ONNX has a specified operator set, provides test suite
- tract supports about 85% of ONNX test suite



### tract is OpenSource

- tract is MIT/Apache-2
- no dependency under lawyer-scaring license

### Neural Network Interpreter: Anatomy and issues



### Minimum TensorFlow runner

- Parse TensorFlow protobuf format
- Inject input
- Cascade data through operators, repeat.

### **Optimising interpreter**

- Parse TensorFlow protobuf format
- Type the network: tensors data types and shapes
- Declutter the network
- Propagate constants, reduce operator strength, ...
- "Codegen" logical operators to hardware ops
- Inject inputs
- Run the operators

### Decluttering training networks

- WaveNet "Hey Snips": 3080 ops -> 267 ops
- Inception v3: 1655 ops -> ~500 ops
- DeepSpeech: 114 ops -> 54 ops

```
3 Source input_lengths
1 Const lstm_fused_cell/Const
 2 tf.Max lstm_fused_cell/Max
3 Cast lstm_fused_cell/ToInt64
  3 Cast lstm_fused_cell/ToIn:
4 Source input_node
5 Const transpose/perm
6 tf.Transpose transpose
7 Const Reshape/shape
8 tf.Reshape Reshape
9 Const h1
10 tf.Identity h1/read
11 Gemm MatMul
12 Const b1
13 tf.Identity b1/read
14 Add:Binary Add
15 Relu Relu
  14 Add::Binary Add

15 Relu Relu

16 Const Minimum/y

17 Min::Binary Minimum

18 Const h2

19 tf.Identity h2/read

20 Gemm MatMul_1
 20 Gemm MatMul_1
21 Const b2
22 tf.Identity b2/read
23 Add:Binary Add_1
24 Relu Relu_1
25 Const Minimum_1/y
26 Min::Binary Minimum_1
27 Const h3
28 tf.Identity h3/read
29 Gemm MatMul_2
30 Const b3
31 tf.Identity b3/read
32 Add::Binary Add_2
33 Relu Relu_2
34 Const Minimum_2/y
35 Min::Binary Minimum_2
  34 Const Minimum_2/y
35 Min::Binary Minimum_2

36 Const Reshape_1/shape
37 tf.Reshape Reshape_1

38 tf.VariableV2 previous_state_c
                    tf.Identity previous_state_c/read
                 40 tf.VariableV2 previous_state_h
                  - 41 tf.Identity previous_state_h/read
- 42 Const lstm_fused_cell/kernel
- 43 tf.Identity lstm_fused_cell/kernel/read
                 44 Const lstm_fused_cell/zeros/shape_as_tensor

45 Const lstm_fused_cell/zeros/Const

46 tf.Fill lstm_fused_cell/zeros

47 Const lstm_fused_cell/bias

48 tf.Identity lstm_fused_cell/bias/read
              49 tf.BlockLSTM lstm_fused_cell/BlockLSTM

50 Const lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Const_1

51 Const lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Const_2

52 Const lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Const_2

53 tf.Range lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Range

54 Const lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/ExpandDims/dim
             55 tf.ExpandDims lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/ExpandDims
56 Cast lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Cast
57 Lesser::Binary lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Cast_1
58 Cast lstm_fused_cell/SequenceMask/Cast_1
59 Const lstm_fused_cell/transpose/perm
60 tf.Transpose lstm_fused_cell/transpose
61 Const lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims/dim
62 tf.ExpandDims lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims
63 Const lstm_fused_cell/Tile/multiples
64 Tile lstm fused_cell/Tile
               64 Tile lstm_fused_cell/Tile
65 Mul::Binary lstm_fused_cell/mul
                    r 66 Const Reshape_2/shape
                 67 tf.Reshape Reshape_2
                68 Const h5
69 tf.Identity h5/read
70 Gemm MatMul_3
                          71 Const b5
72 tf.Identity b5/read
                     73 Add::Binary Add_3
74 Relu Relu_3
75 Const Minimum_3/y
76 Min::Binary Minimum_3
                77 Const h6
78 tf.Identity h6/read
79 Gemm MatMul_4
                  80 Const b6
81 tf.Identity b6/read
                  82 Add::Binary Add_4
83 Const raw_logits/shape
               84 tf.Reshape raw_logits
85 LayerSoftmax Softmax
66 Const lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims_1/dim
               87 tf.ExpandDims lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims_1
             89 tf.ConvatV2 lstm_fused_cell/concat
90 Const lstm_fused_cell/range/start
91 Const lstm_fused_cell/range/limit
92 Const lstm_fused_cell/range/delta
                         93 tf.Range lstm_fused_cell/range
     94 tf.Pack lstm_fused_cell/stack
95 tf.GatherNd lstm_fused_cell/GatherNd
     96 tf.Assign Assign_2
97 Const lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims_2/dim
               F 99 Const lstm_fused_cell/concat_1/axis
        100 tf.ConvatV2 lstm_fused_cell/concat_1
              r 101 Const lstm_fused_cell/range_1/start
r 102 Const lstm_fused_cell/range_1/limit
r 103 Const lstm_fused_cell/range_1/delta
104 tf.Range lstm_fused_cell/range_1
   105 tf.Pack lstm_fused_cell/stack_1
106 tf.GatherNd lstm_fused_cell/GatherNd_1
  107 tf.Assign Assign_3
108 tf.Identity logits
109 Const zeros/shape_as_tensor
110 Const zeros/Const
111 tf.Fill zeros
  112 tf.Assign Assign
113 tf.Assign Assign_1
114 tf.Noop initialize_state
```



```
Const Const-117
                                            Source input_node
                                            PermuteAxes transpose
                                           3 Const Reshape/shape
                                           4 tf.Reshape Reshape
  Fully connected 1
                                            GemmUnaryA MatMul
                                            Add::UnaryA Add
                                           7 Relu Relu
                                           Min::UnaryA Minimum
  Fully connected 2
                                            GemmUnaryA MatMul_1
                                           10 Add::UnaryA Add_1
                                           11 Relu Relu_1
                                           12 Min::UnaryA Minimum_1
  Fully connected 3
                                           13 GemmUnaryA MatMul_2
                                           14 Add::UnaryA Add_2
                                           15 Relu Relu_2
                                           16 Min::UnaryA Minimum_2
                                           17 Const Reshape_1/shape
                                          18 tf.Reshape Reshape_1
                                           - 19 tf.VariableV2 previous_state_c
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                                            r 21 Const Const-118
                                             22 Const Const-119
                                                                    3 useless input parameters (all zeros)
                                              23 Const Const-120
                                              ┌ 25 Const Const-122
             LSTM Layer
                                           26 tf.BlockLSTM lstm_fused_cell/BlockLSTM 5 out of 7 outputs dropped
                                              Mul::UnaryA lstm_fused_cell/mul
                                             28 Const Reshape_2/shape
  Fully connected 4
                                              29 tf.Reshape Reshape_2
                                             30 GemmUnaryA MatMul_3
                                             31 Add::UnaryA Add_3
                                             32 Relu Relu_3
                                             33 Min::UnaryA Minimum_3
  Fully connected 5
                                             34 GemmUnaryA MatMul_4
                                             35 Add::UnaryA Add_4
                                             7 36 Const raw_logits/shape
                                            37 tf.Reshape raw_logits
                                            - 38 LayerSoftmax Softmax
                                             · 39 AddDims lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims_1

√ 40 Const lstm_fused_cell/concat/axis

                                             41 tf.ConvatV2 lstm_fused_cell/concat
                                             r 42 Const Const-129
                                             43 tf.GatherNd lstm_fused_cell/GatherNd
                                           LSTM state
                                              45 AddDims lstm_fused_cell/ExpandDims_2
                                              - 46 Const lstm_fused_cell/concat_1/axis
    wiring
                                            47 tf.ConvatV2 lstm_fused_cell/concat_1
                                              48 Const Const-115
                                                tf.GatherNd lstm_fused_cell/GatherNd_1
                                          11 50 tf.Assign Assign_3
                                           51 tf.Identity logits
                                          52 Const Const-135
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56 tf.Noop initialize\_state

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5 GemmUnaryA MatMul
6 Add::UnaryA Add
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9 GemmUnaryA MatMul_1
10 Add::UnaryA Add_1
11 Relu Relu_1
12 Min::UnaryA Minimum_1
13 GemmUnaryA MatMul_2
14 Add::UnaryA Add_2
15 Relu Relu_2
16 Min::UnaryA Minimum_2
```

### Bigger semantic transforms: Streaming

- Load, analyse, type original network
  - implies reasoning on the "streaming" dimension
- Translate operators to manipulate "pulses" of data:
  - most operators are actually unchanged
  - some need addition of a stateful op (e.g. conv on time axis)
  - some are impossible to translate (e.g. softmax on time axis)
- Produces a stateful network that operates over pulses

### Challenge: Highly immature field

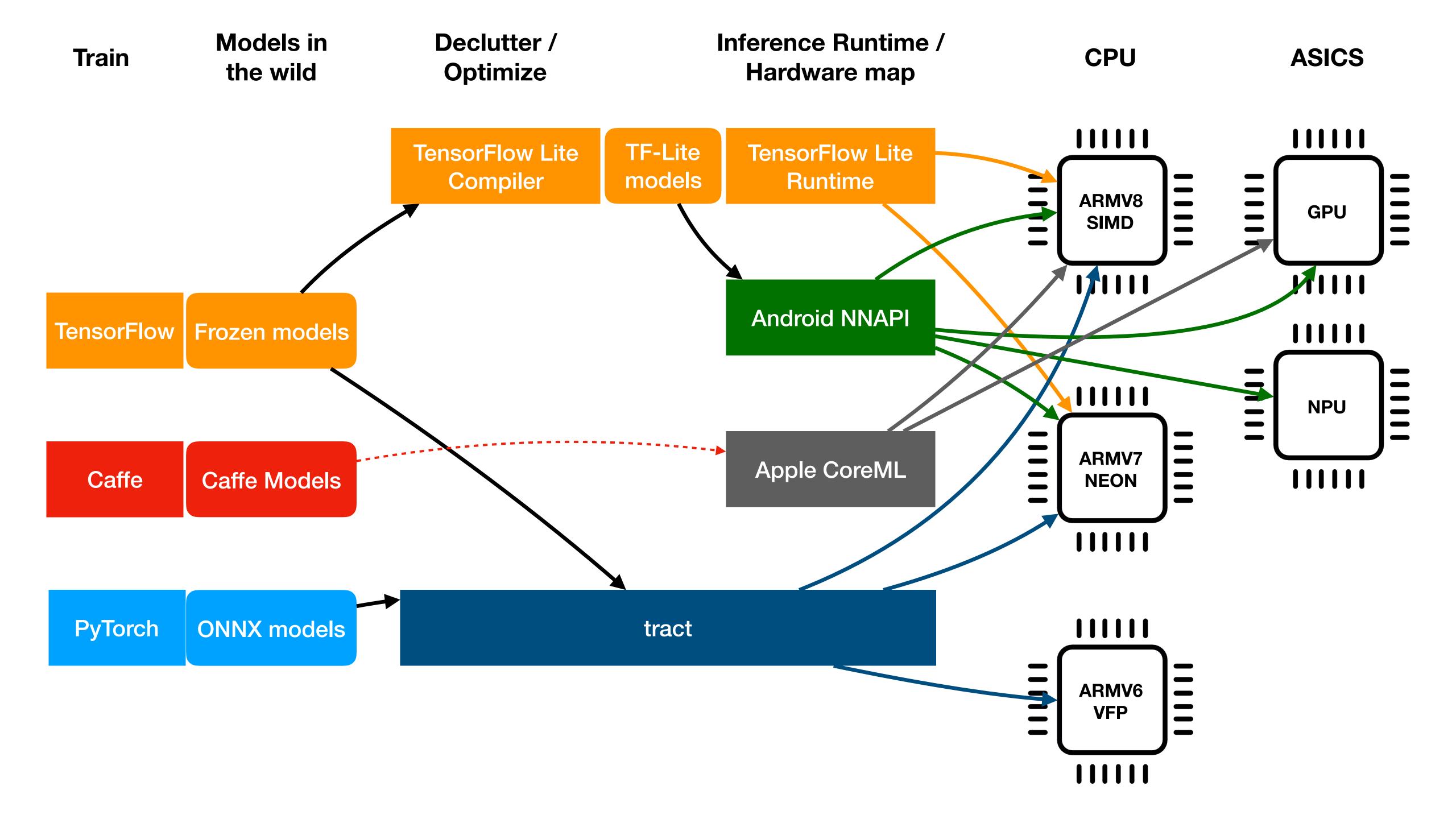
- Deep Learning revolution circa 2010
- TensorFlow introduced end of 2015
- Example: dilated convolutions re-discovered in 2016

### Challenge: Frameworks are designed for training

- Most important contributors: Google, Facebook.
- Inference on cloud is comparatively easy.
- Mood may be changing: new Google Mobile ASR
- Available models are training oriented (declutter)

### Challenge: Inference side is fragmented

- Google: Android NNAPI, TensorFlow Mobile, TensorFlow Lite
- Microsoft ONNX Runtime
- Apple CoreML and BNNS
- ARM NN SDK
- tract
- but also: TVM, TensorRT, NCNN



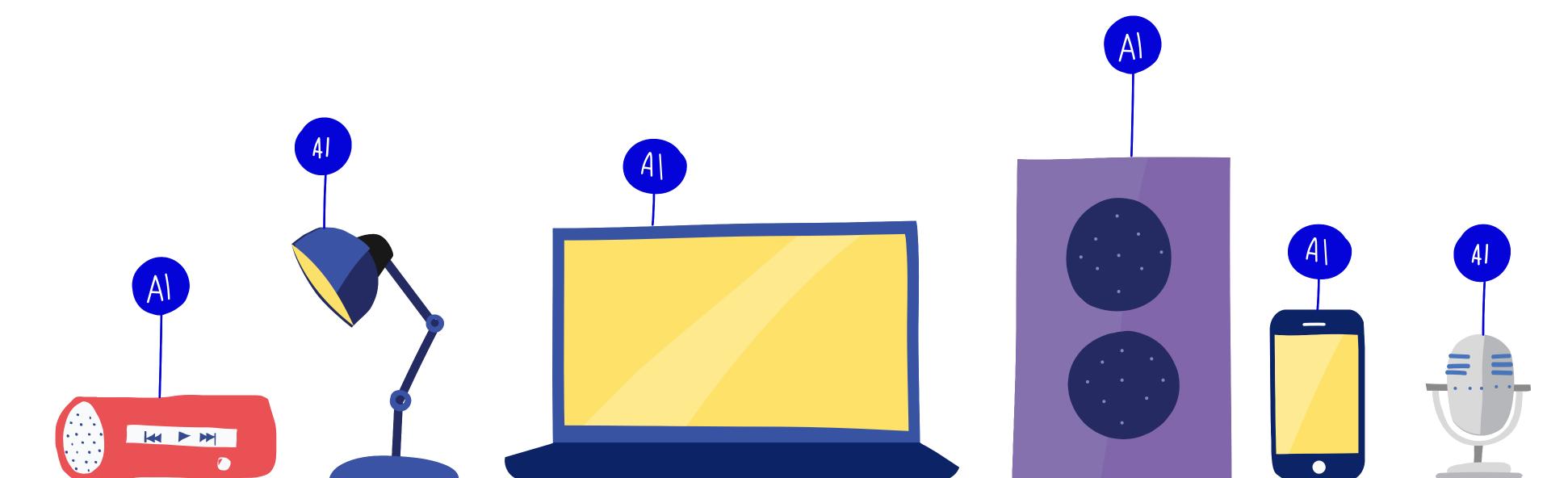


### github.com/snipsco/tract

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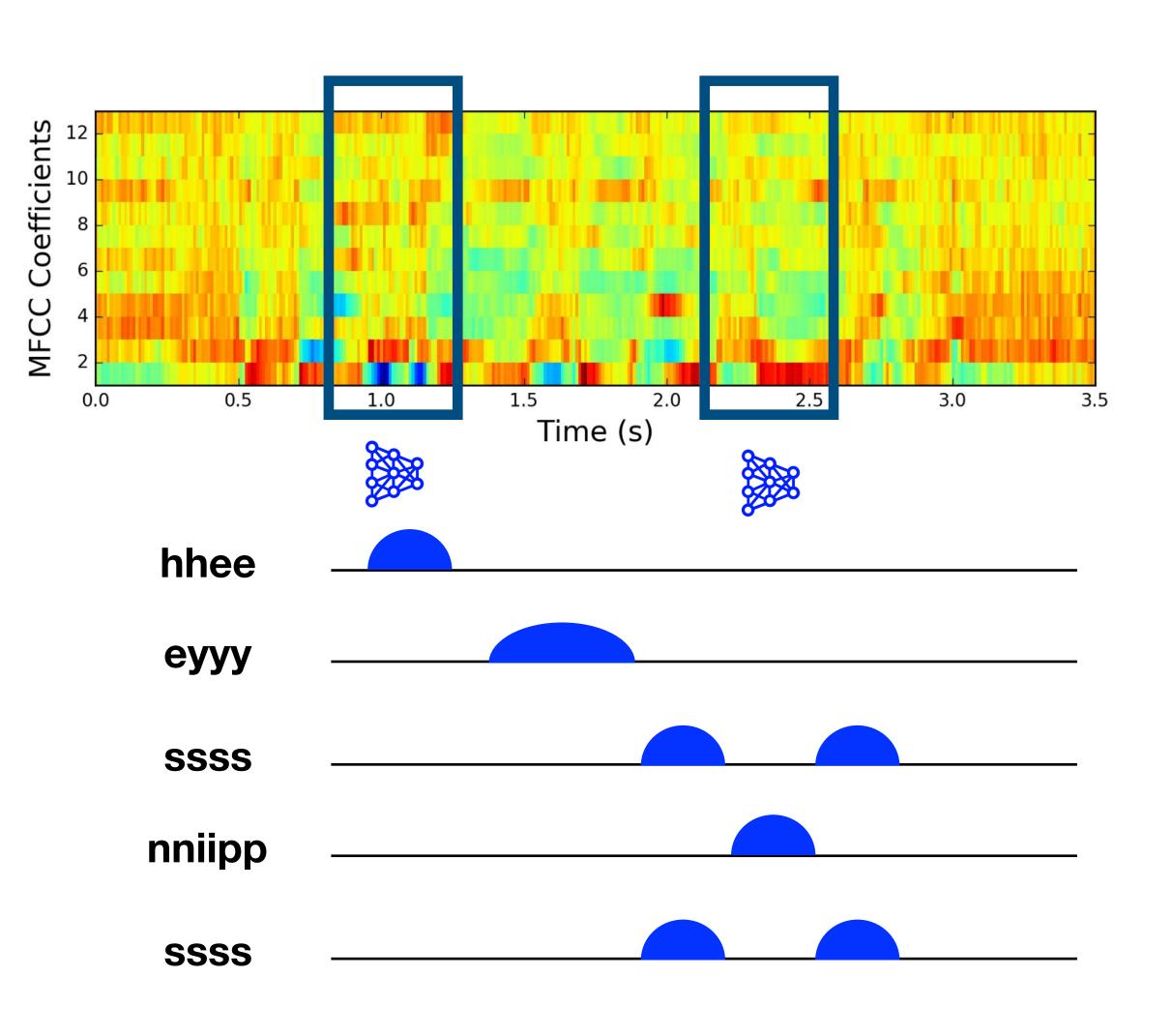
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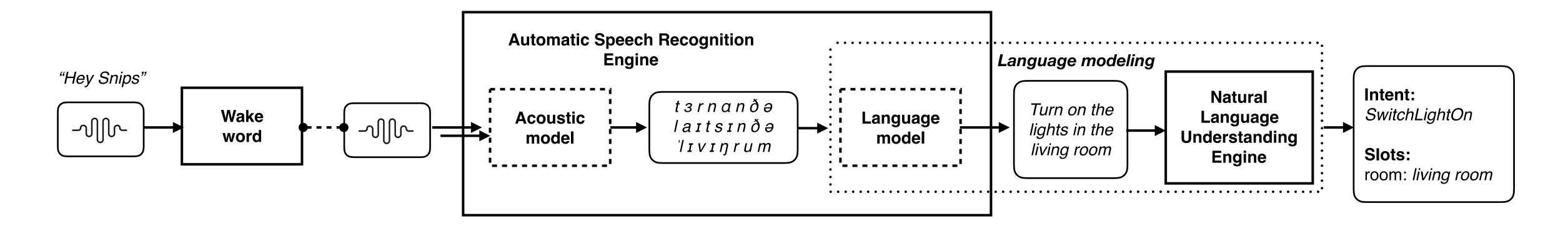


### Class-based

### hhhheeeeyyyy sssniiiiipssss



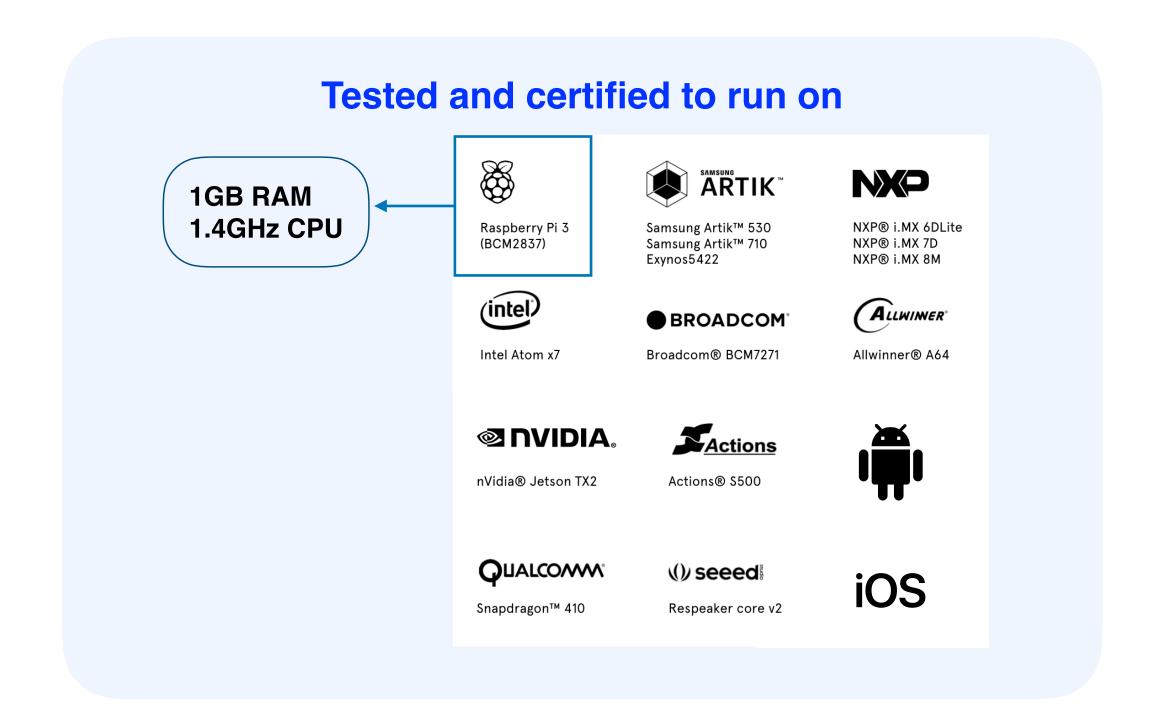
- Detects phones ("phonèmes" in french)
- Aggregate phone detections over 2 seconds to make a wake word decision
- Require "aligned" training data





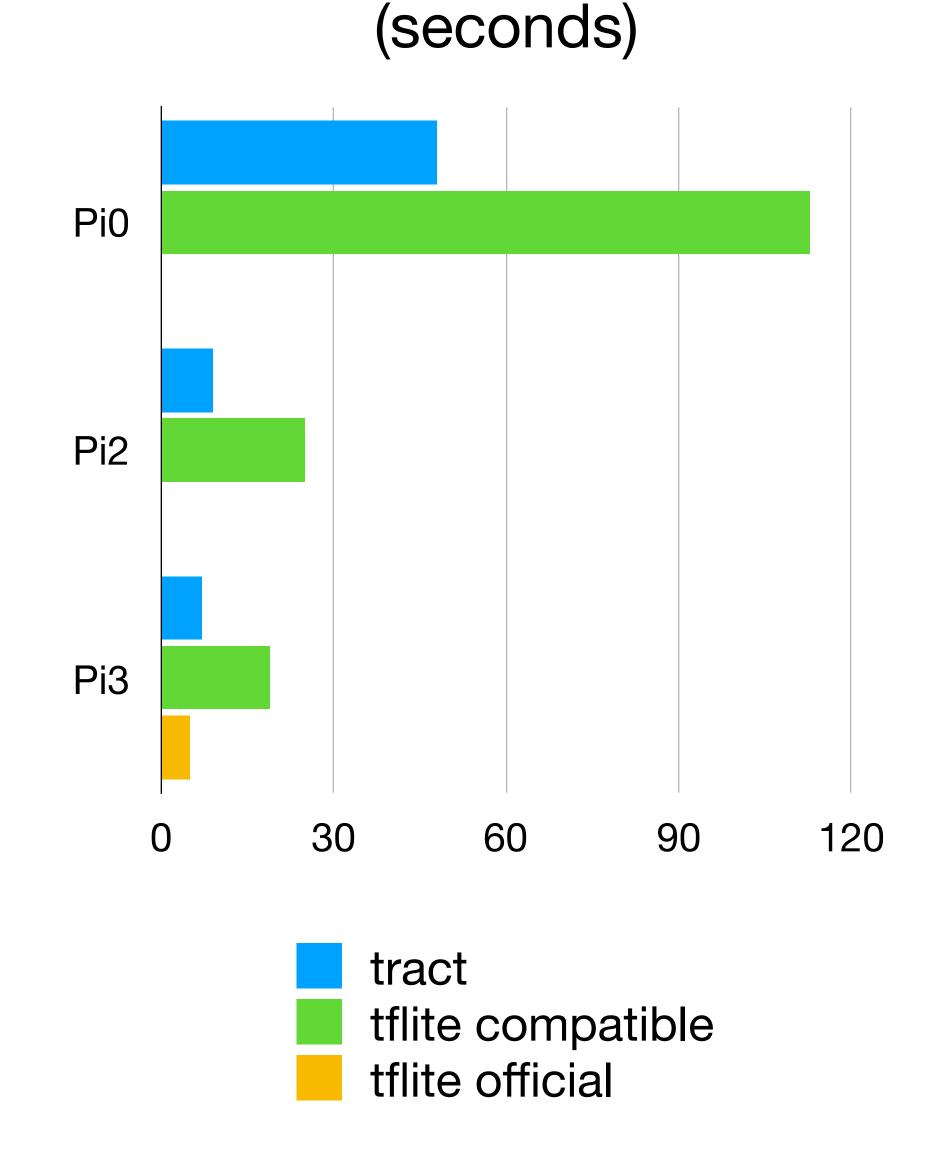
#### **Rust language for inference**

- Portability write code once and cross-compile to any modern hardware architecture.
- **Performance -** high-level features without runtime performance penalty.
- Safety rustc compiler makes it difficult to put memoryunsafe code into a production environment.



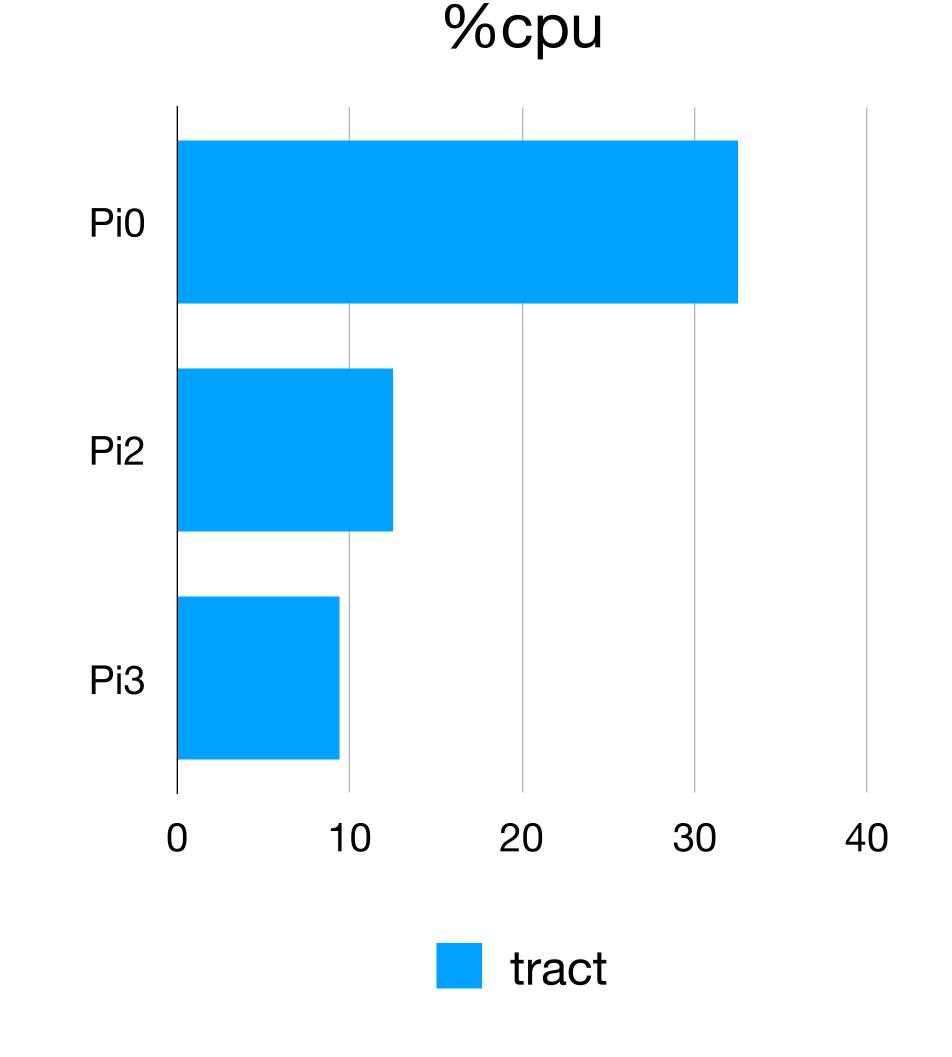
### Performance on Inception v3

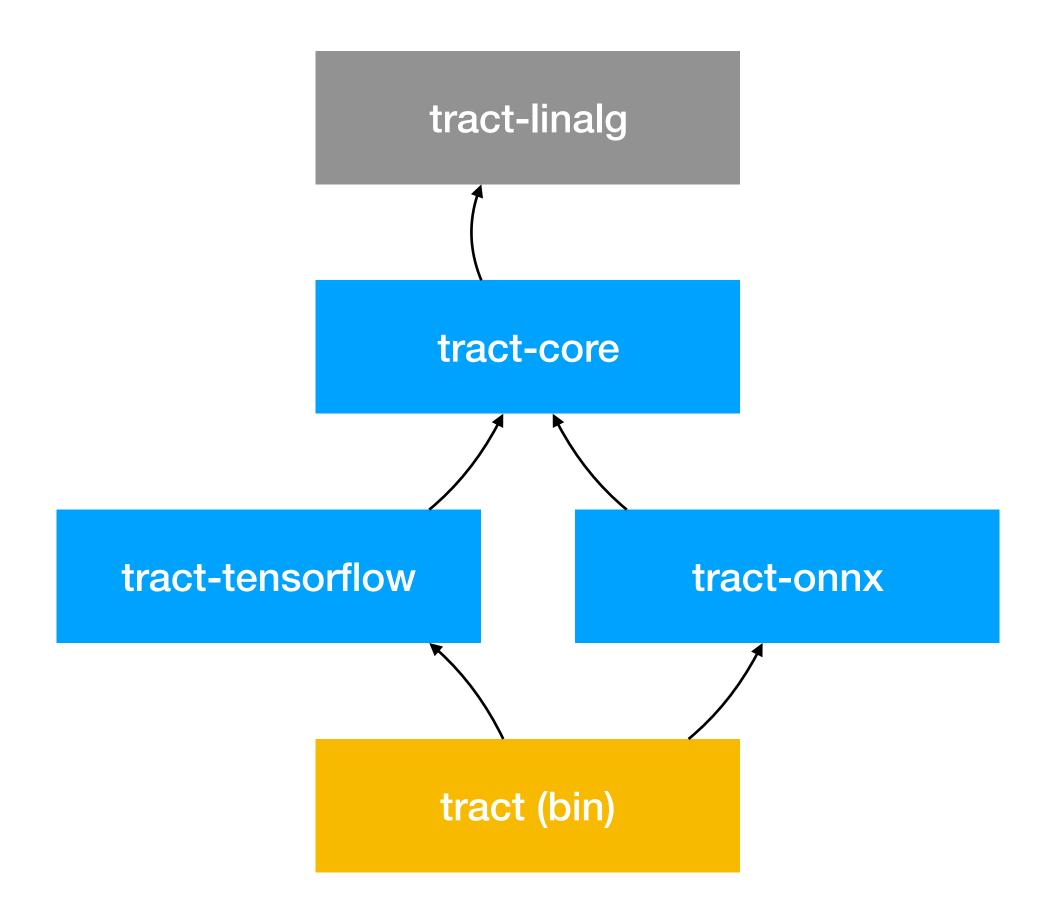
- TensorFlow hello world
  - ImageNet challenge
  - 299x299 images -> 1000 categories
- Against TensorFlow-lite
- Official build runs on Raspi3 only



### Performance on Snips Wake word (WaveNet)

- one feature every 10ms
- 8-wide pulse: one pass every 80ms
- no TensorFlow-Lite comparison...
  - no "pulse" mode
  - missing operators and modes (tanh, addn, 1d dilated convolution, ...)





```
use tract_core::prelude::*;
use tract_core::ndarray;
use tract_core::datum::Datum;
fn main() -> TractResult<()> {
    let mut model = tract_tensorflow::tensorflow().model_for_path("mobilenet_v2_1.4_224_frozen.pb")?;
    model.set_input_fact(0, TensorFact::dt_shape(f32::datum_type(), tvec!(1, 224, 224, 3)))?;
    let model = model.into_optimized()?;
    let plan = SimplePlan::new(&model)?;
    let image = image::open("grace_hopper.jpg").unwrap().to_rgb();
    let resized = image::imageops::resize(&image, 224, 224, ::image::FilterType::Triangle);
    let image: Tensor = ndarray:: Array4:: from_shape_fn((1, 224, 224, 3), |(_, y, x, c)| {
        resized[(x as _, y as _)][c] as f32 / 255.0
    }).into();
    let result = plan.run(tvec!(image))?;
    let best = result[0].to_array_view::<f32>()?.iter().cloned().enumerate().max_by(|a,b| a.1.partial_cmp(&b.1).unwrap());
    println!("result: {:?}", best);
    0k(())
```

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| 5 | Operation: Conv::DepthWise<F32>| Name: MobilenetV2/expanded_conv/depthwise/depthwise
Real: 9.600 ms/i 12% User: 9.600 ms/i 12% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%
  +------
  | Input 0: Node #4/0 1x112x112x48xF32
  +-----
   Output 0: 1x112x112x48xF32
   | Attr padding: s: "SAME"
   | Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
   | Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
   | Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT
   Attr data_format: s: "NHWC"
17 | Operation: Conv::DepthWise<F32>| Name: MobilenetV2/expanded_conv_1/depthwise/depthwise
                   Real: 7.232 ms/i 9% User: 7.232 ms/i 9% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%
   | Input 0: Node #16/0 1x112x112x144xF32
   +-----
   | Output 0: 1x56x56x144xF32
   | Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 2 i: 2 i: 1}
   | Attr padding: s: "SAME"
    | Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT
    Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    Attr data_format: s: "NHWC"
| 29 | Operation: Conv::DepthWise<F32>| Name: MobilenetV2/expanded_conv_2/depthwise/depthwise
                   Real: 10.054 ms/i 12% User: 10.054 ms/i 12% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%
   | Input 0: Node #28/0 1x56x56x192xF32
   | Output 0: 1x56x56x192xF32
   | Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT
    | Attr padding: s: "SAME"
    Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    | Attr data_format: s: "NHWC"
| 54 | Operation: Conv::DepthWise<F32>| Name: MobilenetV2/expanded_conv_4/depthwise/depthwise
Real: 4.167 ms/i 5% User: 4.166 ms/i 5% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%
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   | Input 0: Node #53/0 1x28x28x288xF32
   | Output 0: 1x28x28x288xF32
   | Attr data_format: s: "NHWC"
    Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT
    | Attr padding: s: "SAME'
| 67 | Operation: Conv::DepthWise<F32>| Name: MobilenetV2/expanded_conv_5/depthwise/depthwise
                   Real: 4.368 ms/i 5% User: 4.367 ms/i 5% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%
   | Input 0: Node #66/0 1x28x28x288xF32
   | Output 0: 1x28x28x288xF32
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   | Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
    Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT
    Attr padding: s: "SAME'
    Attr data_format: s: "NHWC"
   Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1}
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Most time consuming operations:

Conv::DepthWise<F32> 17 calls: Real: 61.049 ms/i 73% User: 61.048 ms/i 73% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%

MatMulUnaryImplASimpleB 35 calls: Real: 11.925 ms/i 14% User: 11.925 ms/i 14% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 0%

Add::UnaryA 36 calls: Real: 3.455 ms/i 4% User: 3.453 ms/i 4% Sys: 0.001 ms/i 87%

tf.FusedBatchNorm 17 calls: Real: 3.286 ms/i 4% User: 3.285 ms/i 4% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 4%

Relu6 35 calls: Real: 2.592 ms/i 3% User: 2.592 ms/i 3% Sys: 0.000 ms/i 9%

Entire network performance: Real: 87.011 ms/i User: 87.005 ms/i Sys: 0.001 ms/i

Accounted by ops: Real: 83.129 ms/i 96% User: 83.127 ms/i 96% Sys: 0.001 ms/i 100%

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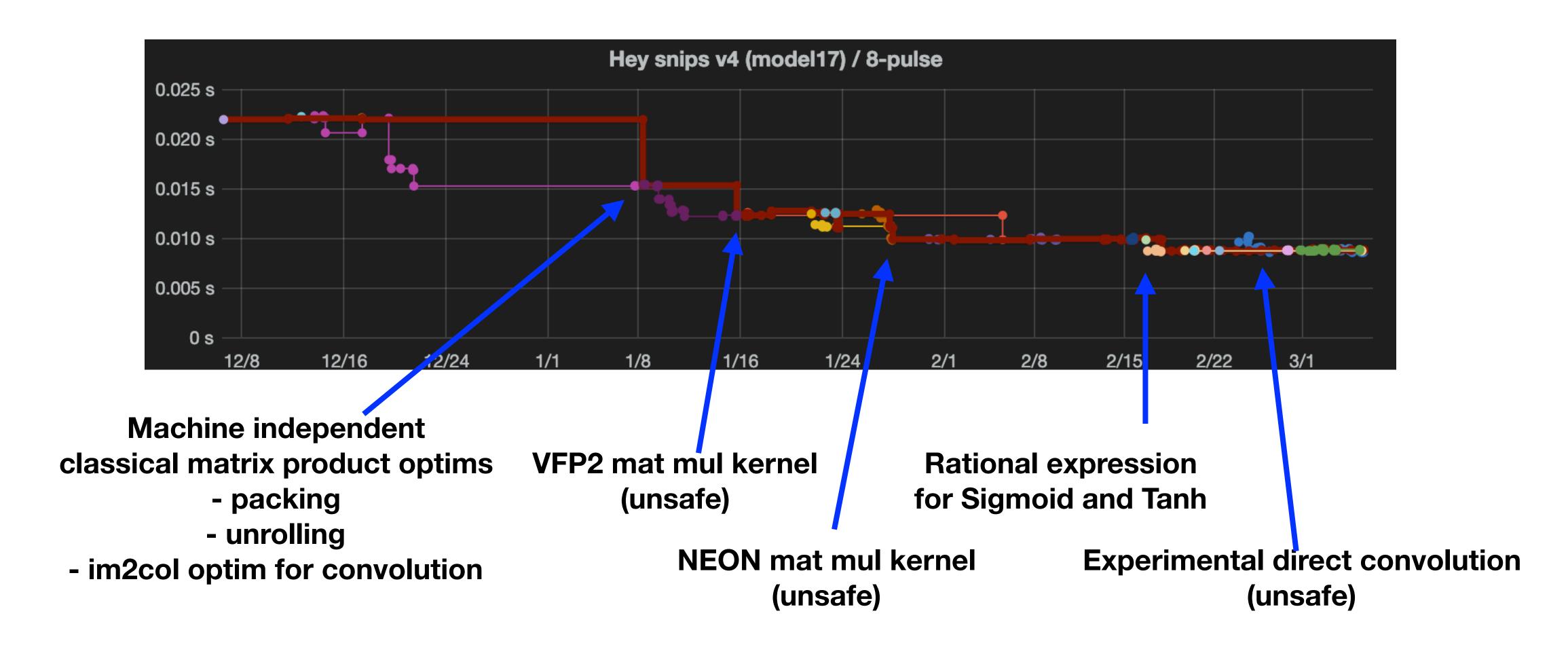
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| 220 | Operation: MatMulUnaryImplASimpleB| Name: MobilenetV2/Logits/Conv2d_1c_1x1/Conv2D |
| Input 0: Node #219/0 1x1x1x1792xF32 |
| Output 0: 1x1x1x1001xF32 |
| MM m:1 k:1792 n:1001 fma(16x6) |
| Attr dilations: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1} |
| Attr use_cudnn_on_gpu: b: true |
| Attr T: type: DT_FLOAT |
| Attr data_format: s: "NHWC" |
| Attr padding: s: "SAME" |
| Attr strides: list {i: 1 i: 1 i: 1 i: 1} |
| FMA(F32) 1793792
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### A few critical optimisation

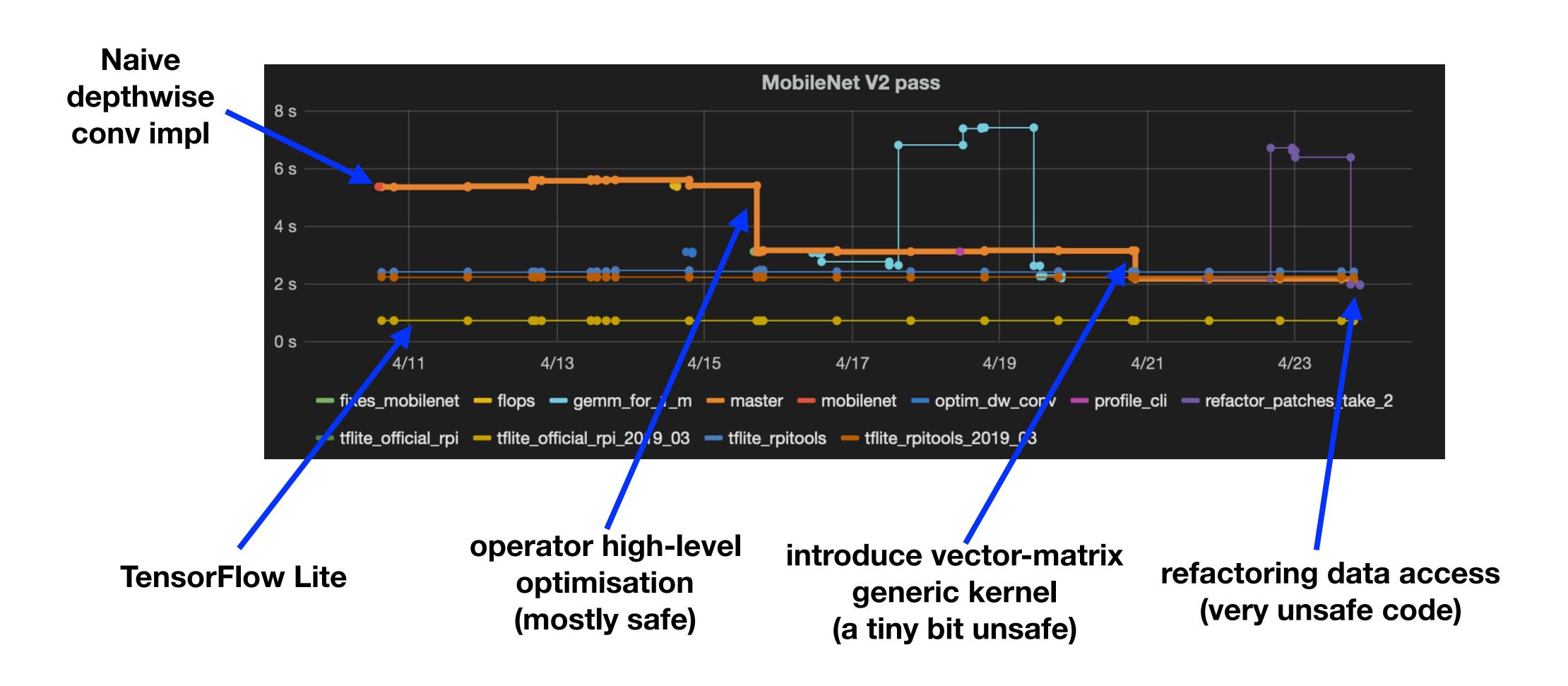


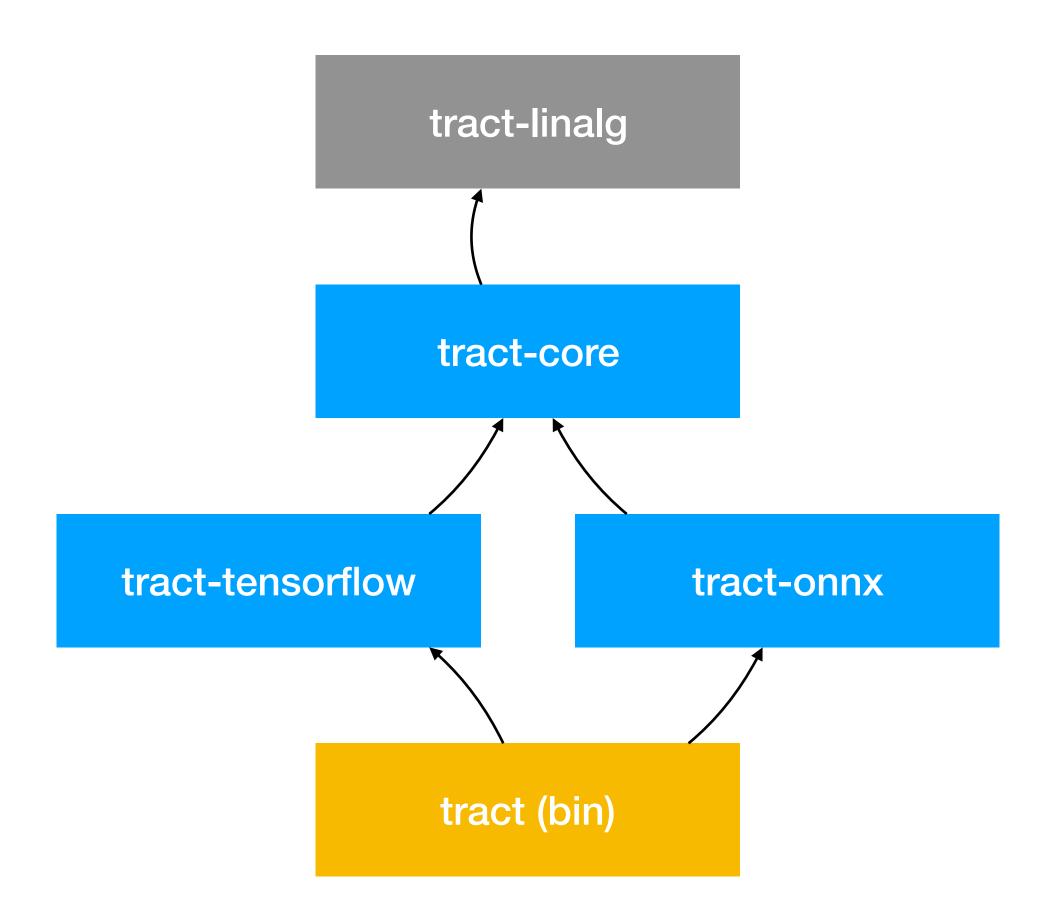
Cortex A53 (Raspberry Pi 3 B 1.2, Raspbian)

# What's next

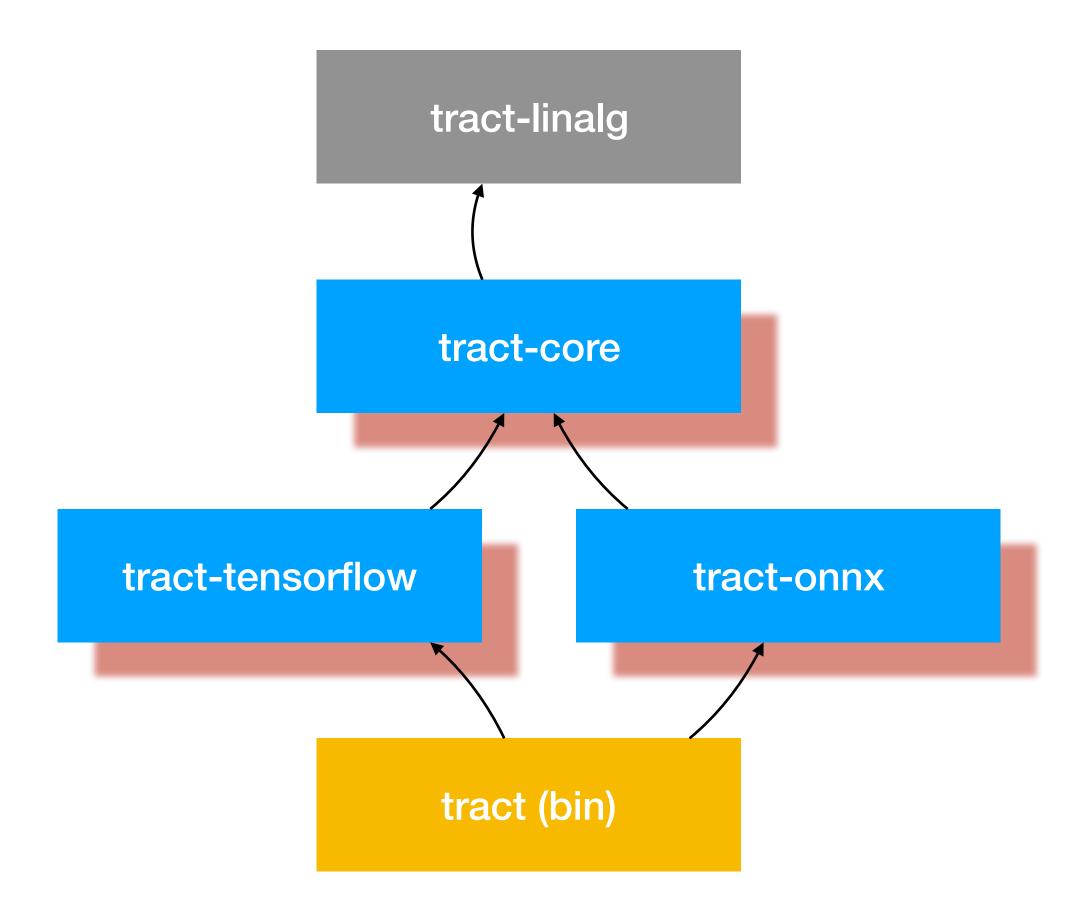


### WIP: MobileNet v2 and DepthWise Conv

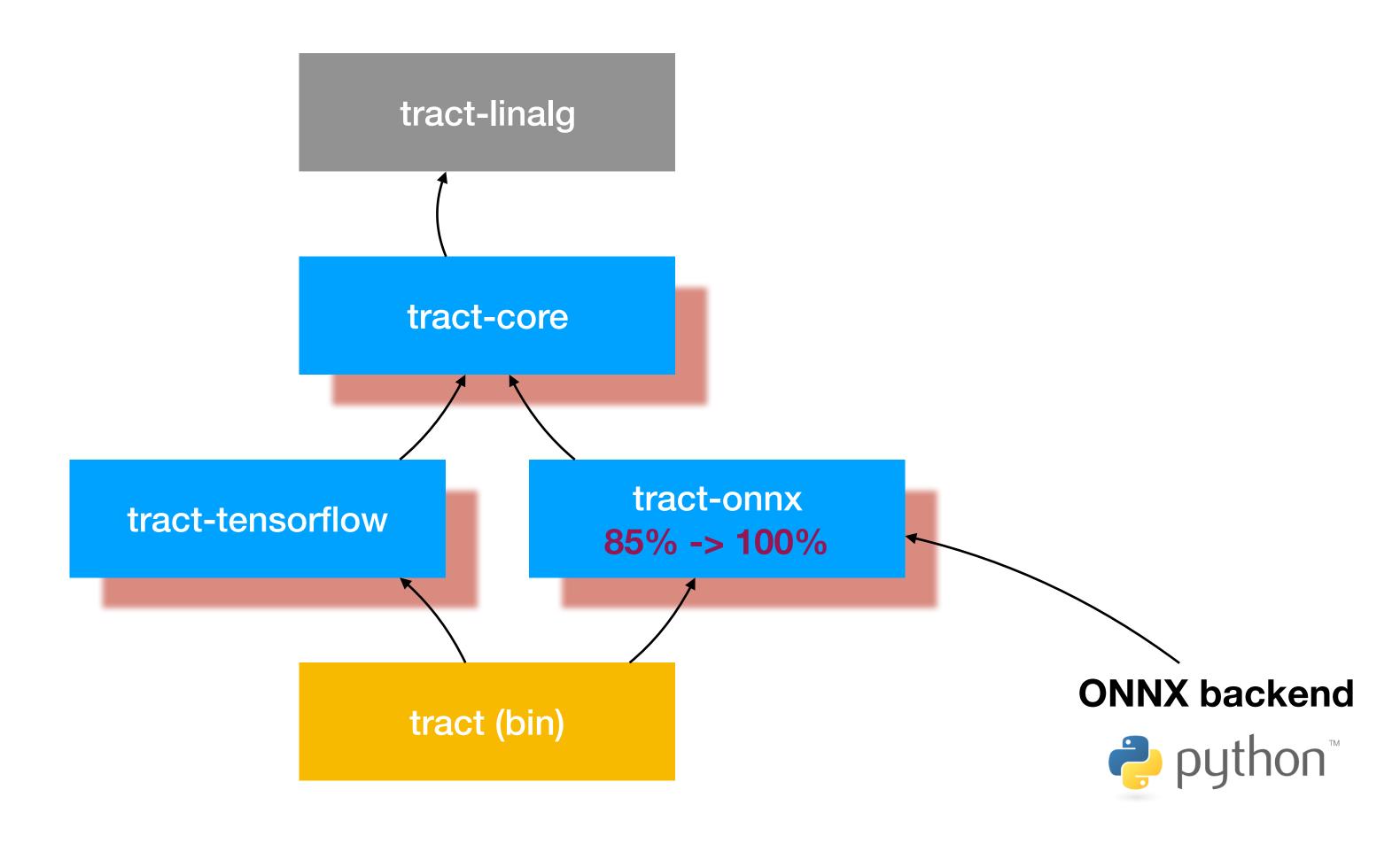




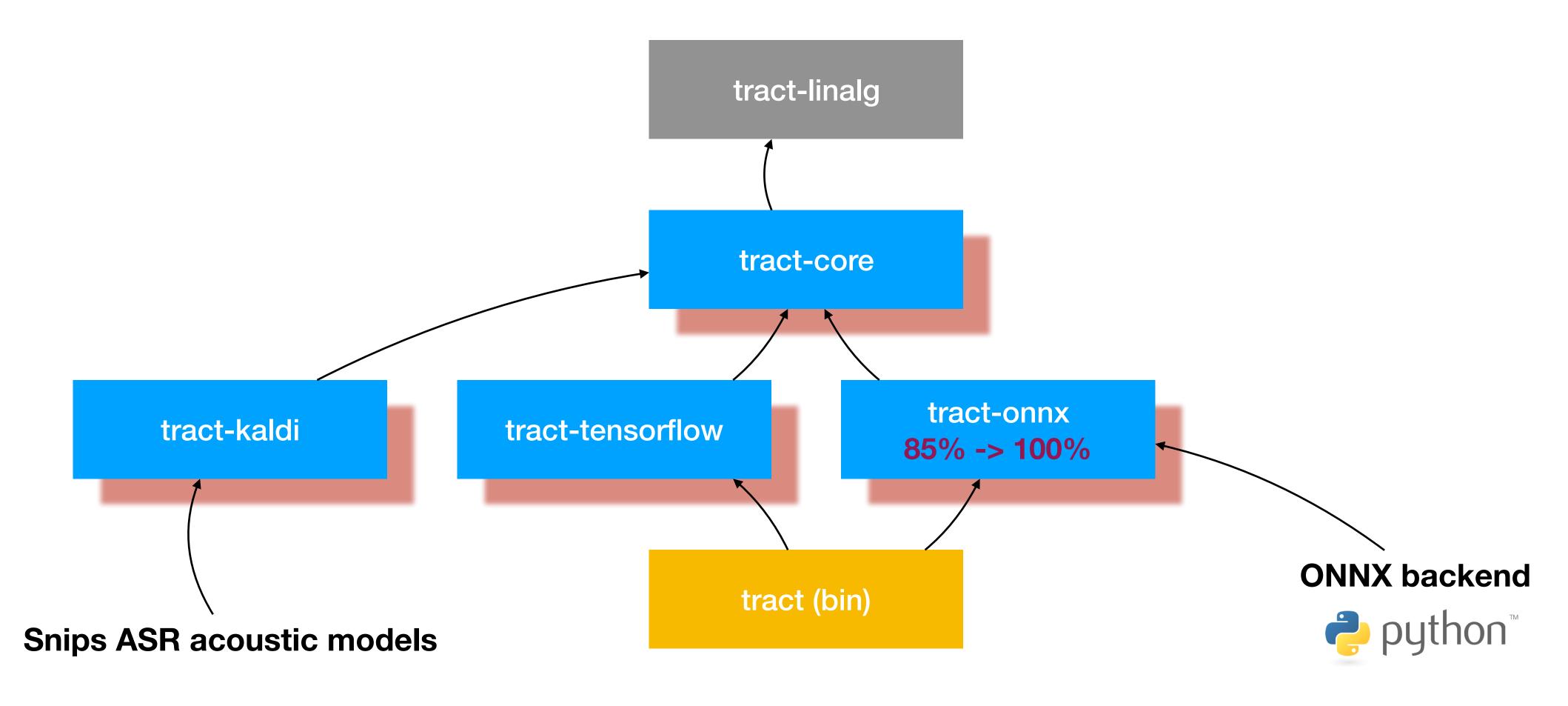
## FFI interfaces



## ONNX full coverage and backend interface



# Kaldi support



### But also...

- Be as good as TensorFlow-Lite on as many devices/ networks combinations as possible
  - unsafe code is good!
- Reason more as an interpreter:
  - ReLu(x) = Max(x,0), ReLu6(x) = Min(Max(x,0), 6), ReLu20
  - sigmoid, tanh, erf: polynomial(x, coefs1) / polynomial(x, coefs2))