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Data is born at the edge

Billions of phones & IoT devices constantly generate data

Data enables better products and smarter models







Can data live at the edge?

On-device inference offers:

- Improved latency
- Works offline
- Better battery life
- Privacy advantages

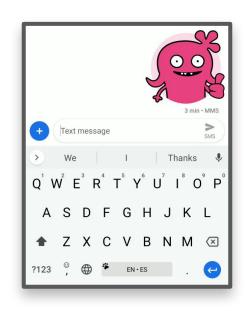








Gboard: mobile keyboard

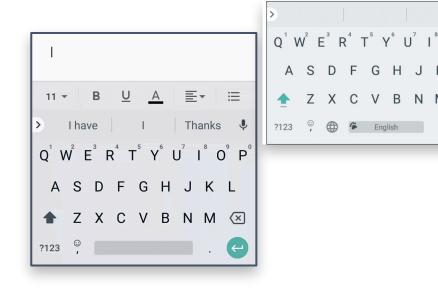


Gboard machine learning



Models are essential for:

- tap typing
- gesture typing
- auto-corrections
- predictions
- voice to text
- and more...



https://ai.googleblog.com/2017/04/federated-learning-collaborative.html



Federated Learning: Collaborative Machine Learning without Centralized Training Data

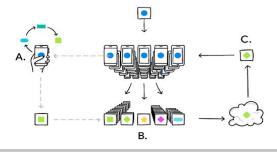
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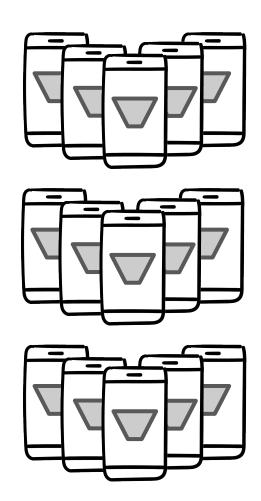
Posted by Brendan McMahan and Daniel Ramage, Research Scientists

Standard machine learning approaches require centralizing the training data on one machine or in a datacenter. And Google has built one of the most secure and robust cloud infrastructures for processing this data to make our services better. Now for models trained from user interaction with mobile devices, we're introducing an additional approach: Federated Learning.

Federated Learning enables mobile phones to collaboratively learn a shared prediction model while keeping all the training data on device, decoupling the ability to do machine learning from the need to store the data in the cloud. This goes beyond the use of local models that make predictions on mobile devices (like the Mobile Vision API and On-Device Smart Reply) by bringing model training to the device as well.

It works like this: your device downloads the current model, improves it by learning from data on your phone, and then summarizes the changes as a small focused update. Only this update to the model is sent to the cloud, using encrypted communication, where it is immediately averaged with other user updates to improve the shared model. All the training data remains on your device, and no individual updates are stored in the cloud.







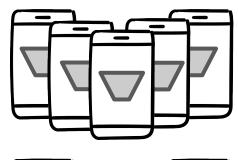
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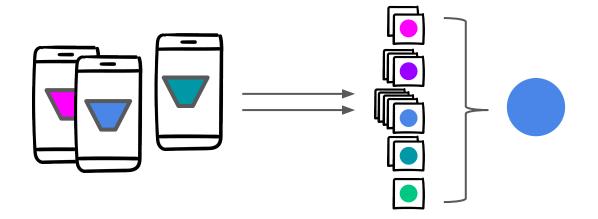


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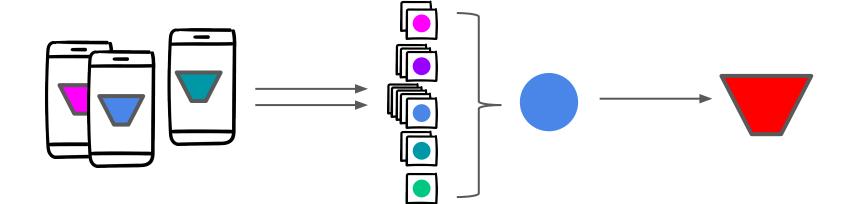


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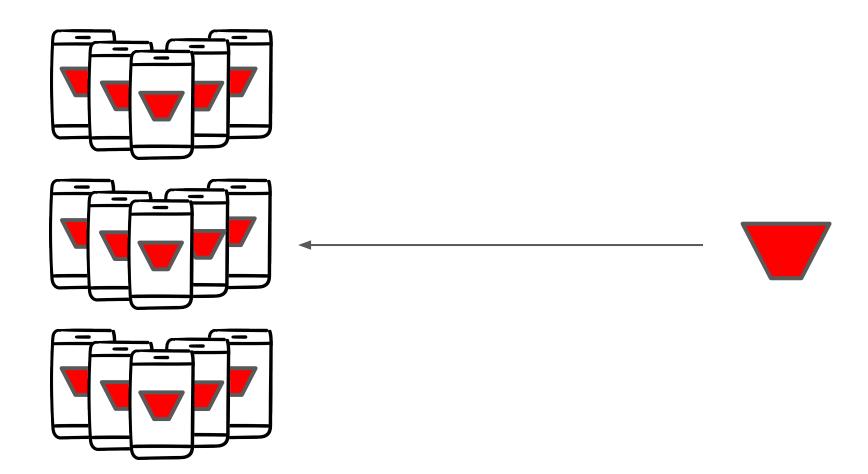


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Hello World

Andrew

Mom

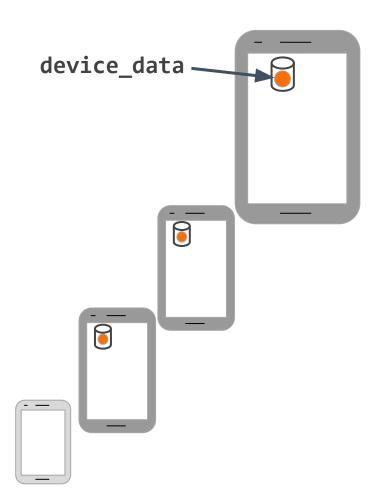
Who's there?

Hello I'm in a place called Vertigo

. . .

Follows 'Hello' >10% of the time

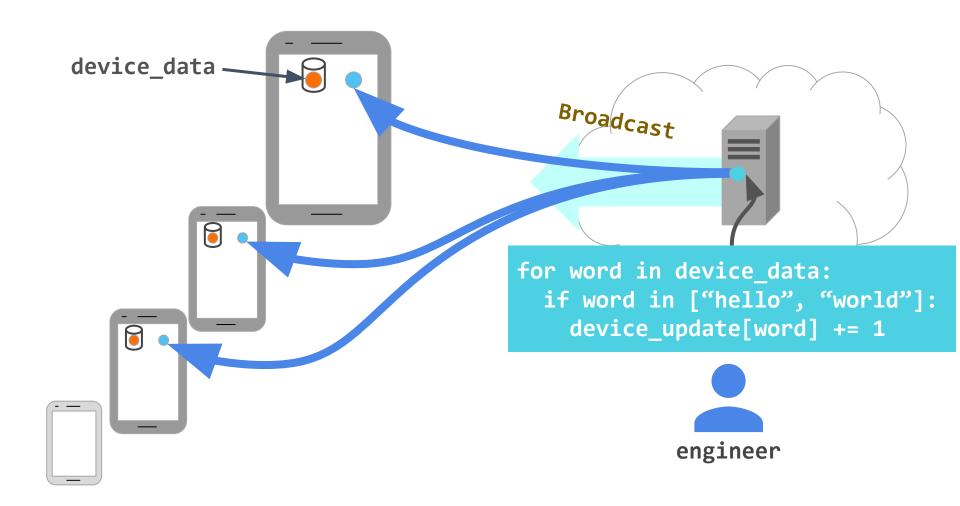
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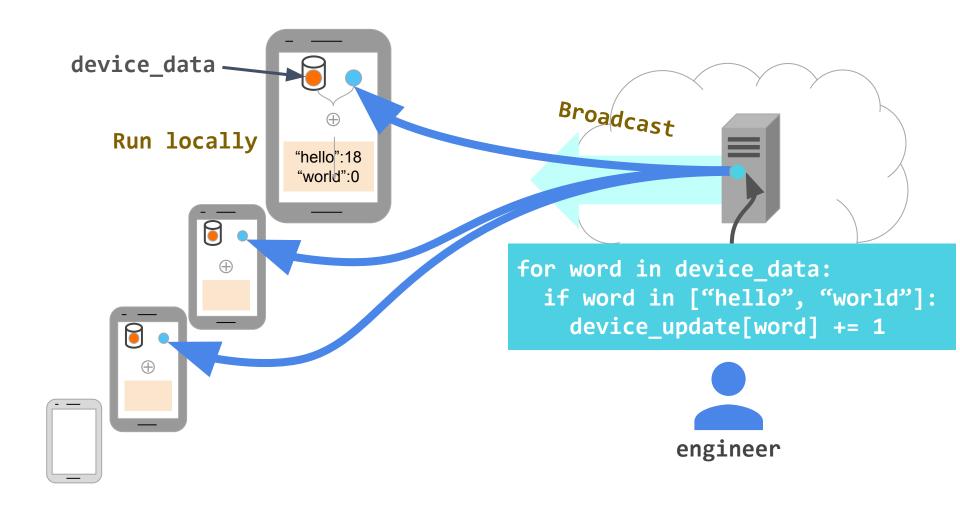


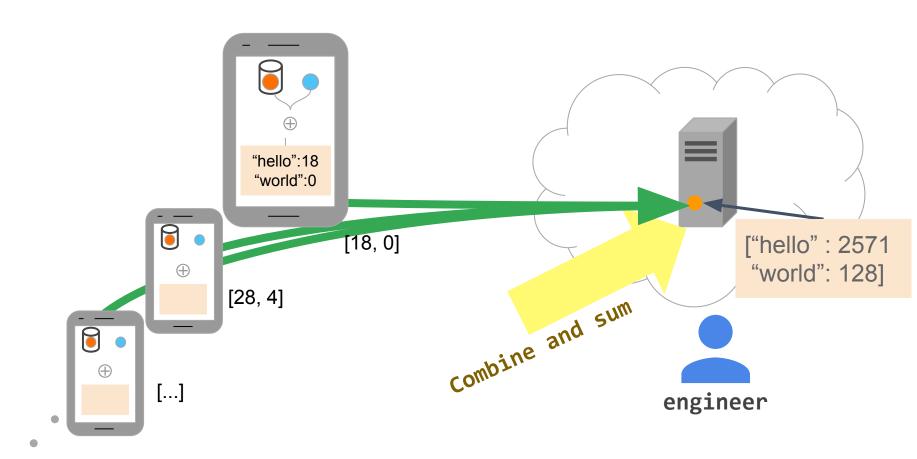


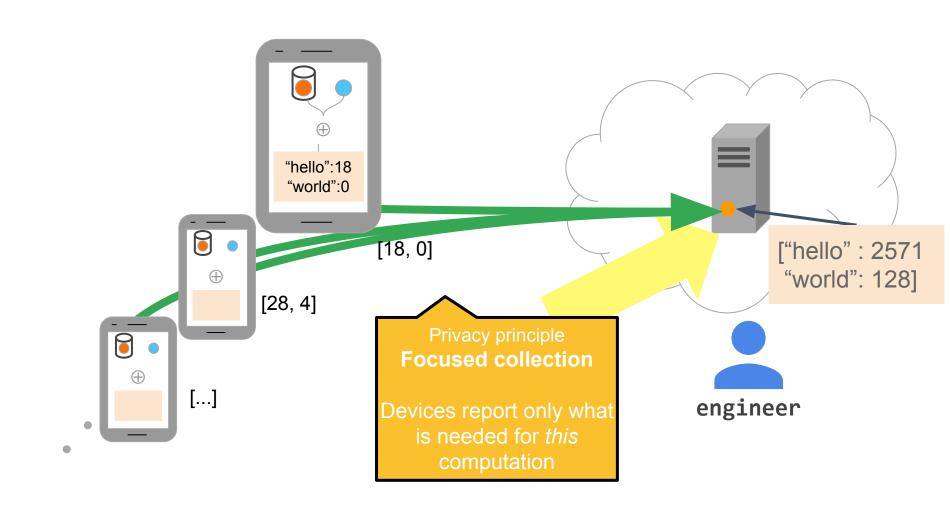


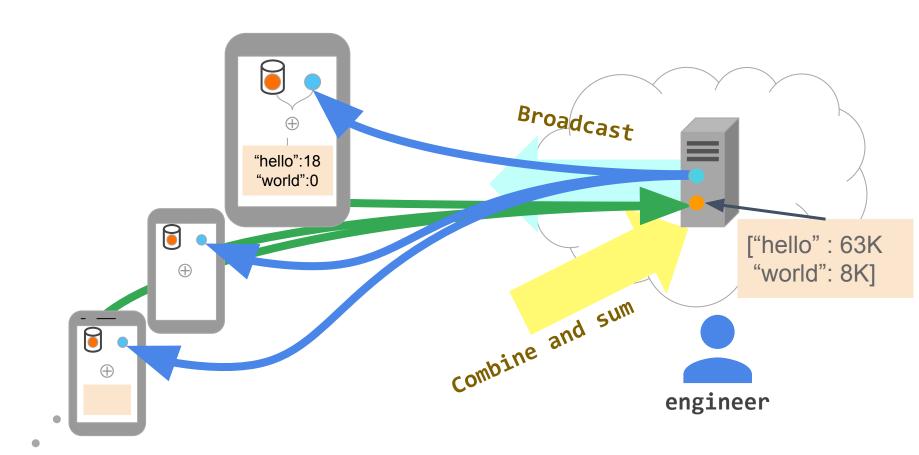
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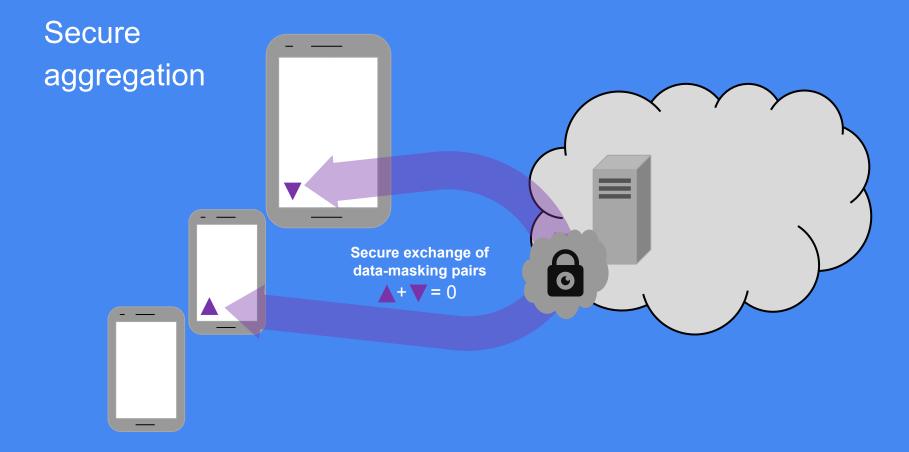


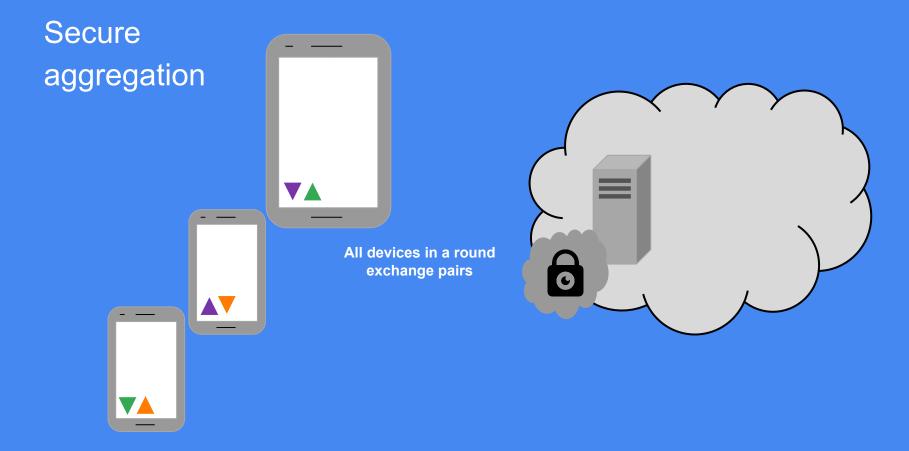


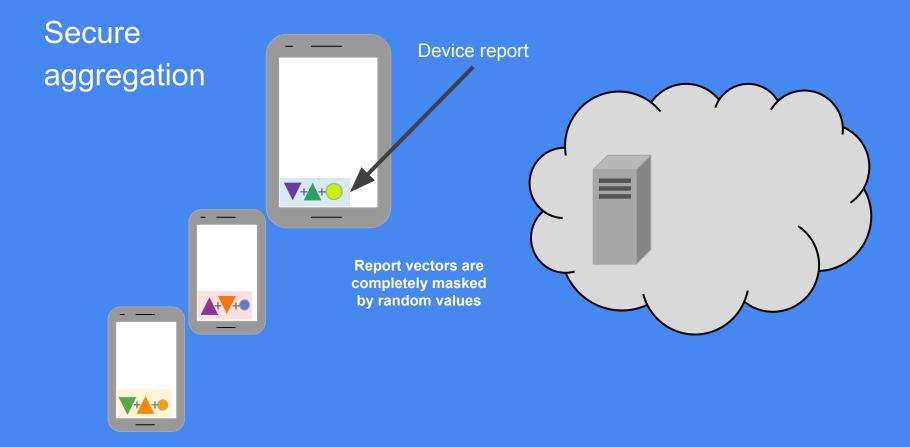


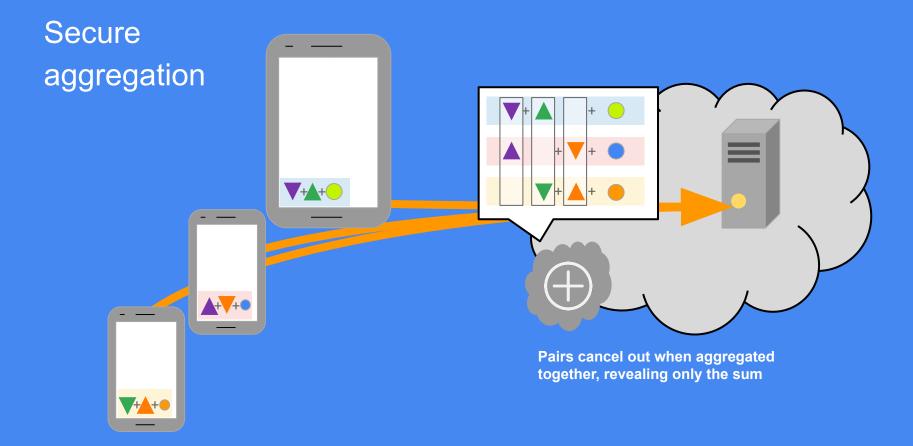


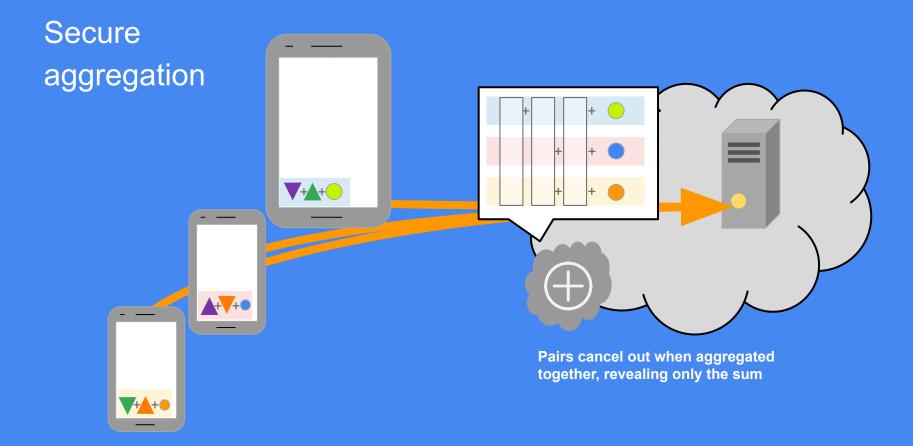












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Practical Secure Aggregation for Privacy-Preserving Machine Learning

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1 INTRODUCTION

Machine learning models trained on sensitive real-world data promise improvements to everything from medical screening [48] to disease outbreak discovery [39]. And the widespread use of mobile devices means even richer—and more sensitive—data is becoming available [37].

However, large-scale collection of sensitive data entails risks. A particularly high-profile example of the consequences of mishandling sensitive data occurred in 1988, when the video rental history of a nominee for the US Supreme Court was published without his consent [4]. The law passed in response to that incident remains relevant today, limiting how online video streaming services can use their user data [44].

This work outlines an approach to advancing privacypreserving machine learning by leveraging secure multiparty computation (MPC) to compute sums of model parameter updates from individual users' devices in a secure manner. The problem of computing a multiparty sum where no party reveals its update in the clear—even to the aggregator—is referred to as Secure Aggregation. As described in Section 2, the secure aggregation primitive can be used to privately combine the outputs of local machine learning on user devices, in order to update a global model. Training models in this way offers tanglible benefits—a user's device can share an update knowing that the service provider will only see that update after it has been averaged with those of other users.

The secure aggregation problem has been a rich area of research: different approaches include works based on generic secure multi-party computation protocols, works based on DC-nets, works based on partially- or fully-homomorphic threshold encryption, and works based on pairwise masking. We discuss these existing works in more detail in Section 9, and commare them to our approach.

We are particularly focused on the setting of mobile devices, where communication is extremely expensive, and dropouts are common. Given these constraints, we would like our protocol to incur no more than twice as much communication as sending the data vector to be aggregated in the clear, and would also like the protocol to be fully robust to users dropping at any point. We believe that previous works do not address this mixture of constraints, which is what motivates our work.

1.1 Our Results

We present a protocol for securely computing sums of vectors, which has a constant number of rounds, low communication overhead, robustness to failures, and which requires only one server with limited trust. In our design the server has two roles: it routes messages between the other parties, and it computes the final result. We present two variants of the protocol: one is more efficient and can be proven secure against the observation of the protocol one is more efficient and can be proven secure against a cative adversarial server), but requires an extra round, and is proven secure in the random oracle model. In both cases, and the proposition of th

1.2 Organization

In Section 2 we describe the machine learning application that motivates this work. In Section 3 we review the cryptographic primitives we use in our protocol. We then proceed to give a high-level overview of our protocol design in Section 4, followed by a formal protocol description in Section 5. In Section 6 we prove security against honest-but-curious (passive) adversaries and include a high-level discussion of privacy against active adversaries. In Section 7, we give performance numbers based both on theoretical analysis as well as on a prototype implementation. Finally, we discuss some issues surrounding practical deployments and future work in Section 8 and conclude with a discussion of related work in Section 9.

Google's federated system

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TOWARDS FEDERATED LEARNING AT SCALE: SYSTEM DESIGN

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ABSTRACT

Federated Learning is a distributed machine learning approach which enables model training on a large corpus of decentralized data. We have built a scalable production system for Federated Learning in the domain of mobile devices, based on TensorFlow. In this paper, we describe the resulting high-level design, sketch some of the challenges and their solutions, and touch upon the open problems and future directions.

1 INTRODUCTION

Federated Learning (FL) (McMahan et al., 2017) is a distributed machine learning approach which enables training on a large corpus of decentralized data residing on devices like mobile phones. FL is one instance of the more general approach of "bringing the code to the data, instead of the data to the code" and addresses the fundamental problems of privacy, ownership, and locality of data. The general description of FL has been given by McMahan & Ramage

ated Averaging, the primary algorithm we run in production; pseudo-code is given in Appendix B for completeness.

In this paper, we report on a system design for such algorithms in the domain of mobile phones (Android). This work is still in an early stage, and we do not have all problems solved, nor are we able to give a comprehensive discussion of all required components. Rather, we attempt to sketch the major components of the system, describe the challenges, and identify the open issues, in the hope that this will be

K. Bonawitz, et al. Towards
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TensorFlow Federated

What's in the box

Federated Learning (FL) API

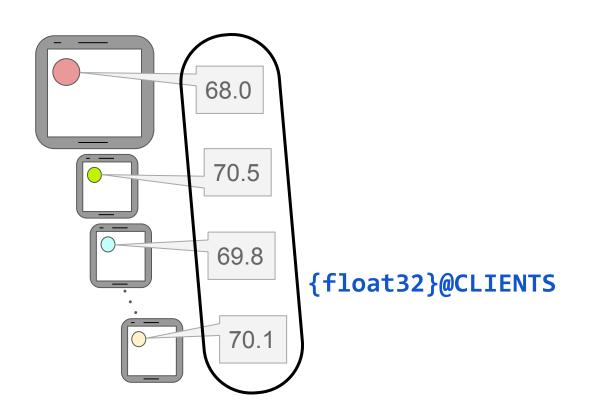
- Implementations of federated training/evaluation
- Can be applied to existing TF models/data

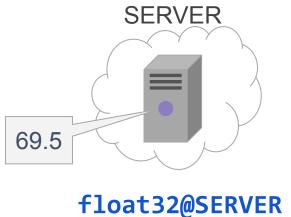
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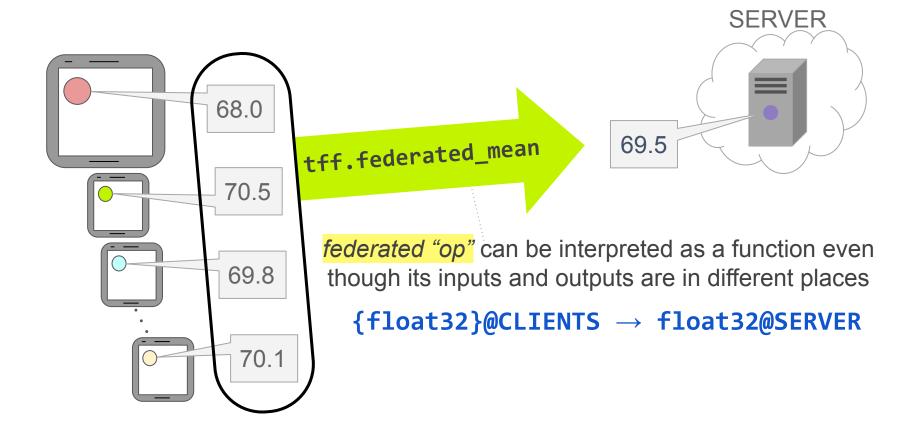
Allows for expressing new federated algorithms

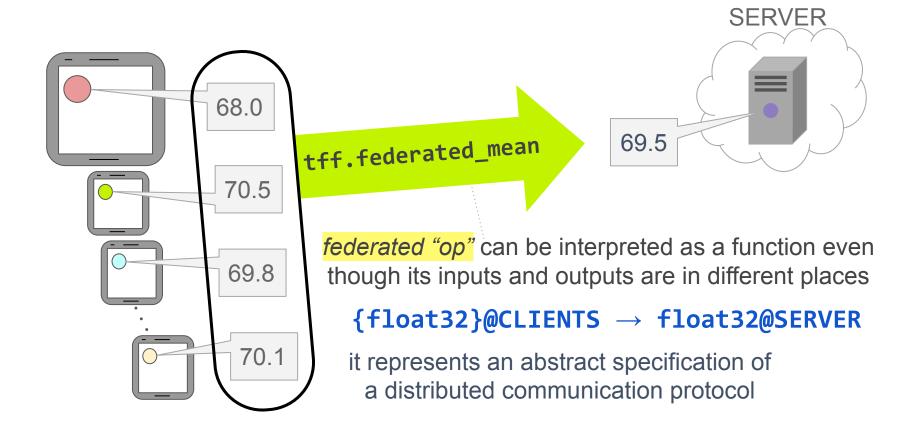
Local runtime for simulations











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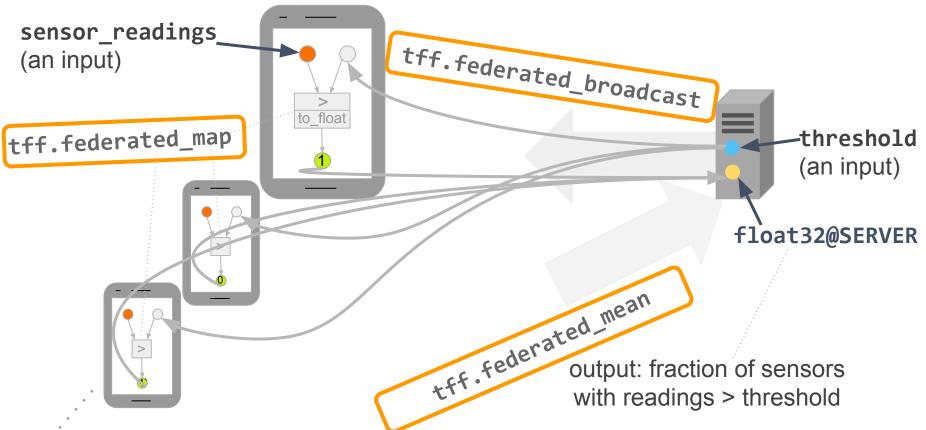
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def get_fraction_over_threshold(readings, threshold):
  @tff.tf_computation(tf.float32, tf.float32)
  def _is_over_as_float(val, threshold):
    return tf.to_float(val > threshold)
  return tff.federated_average(
      tff.federated_map(_is_over_as_float, [
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TensorFlow Federated: Machine Learning on Decentralized Data

TensorFlow Federated (TFF) is an open-source framework for machine learning and other computations on decentralized data. TFF has been developed to facilitate open research and experimentation with Federated Learning (FL) \square , an approach to machine learning where a shared global model is trained across many participating clients that keep their training data locally. For example, FL has been used to train prediction models for mobile keyboards \square without uploading sensitive typing data to servers.

TFF enables developers to simulate the included federated learning algorithms on their models and data, as well as to experiment with novel algorithms. The building blocks provided by TFF can also be used to implement non-learning computations, such as aggregated analytics over decentralized data. TFF's interfaces are organized in two layers:

Federated Learning (FL) API

This layer offers a set of high-level interfaces that allow developers to apply the included implementations of federated training and evaluation to their existing TensorFlow models.

Federated Core (FC) API

At the core of the system is a set of lower-level interfaces for concisely expressing novel federated algorithms by combining TensorFlow with distributed communication operators within a strongly-typed functional programming environment. This layer also serves as the foundation upon which we've built Federated Learning.

TFF enables developers to declaratively express federated computations, so they could be deployed to diverse runtime environments. Included with TFF is a single-machine simulation runtime for experiments. Please visit the tutorials and try it out yourself!

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import tensorflow as tf
tf.compat.v1.enable_v2_behavior()
import tensorflow_federated as tff
# Load simulation data.
source, _ = tff.simulation.datasets.emnist.load_data()
def client_data(n):
 return source.create_tf_dataset_for_client(source.client_ids[n]).map(
      lambda e: {
          'x': tf.reshape(e['pixels'], [-1]),
          'v': e['label'].
  }).repeat(10).batch(20)
# Pick a subset of client devices to participate in training.
train_data = [client_data(n) for n in range(3)]
# Grab a single batch of data so that TFF knows what data looks like.
sample_batch = tf.nest.map_structure(
   lambda x: x.numpy(), iter(train_data[0]).next())
# Wrap a Keras model for use with TFF.
def model_fn():
 model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([
      tf.keras.layers.Dense(10, tf.nn.softmax, input_shape=(784,),
                            kernel_initializer='zeros')
 ])
```

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=89BGjQYA0uE

