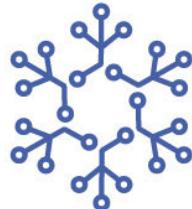


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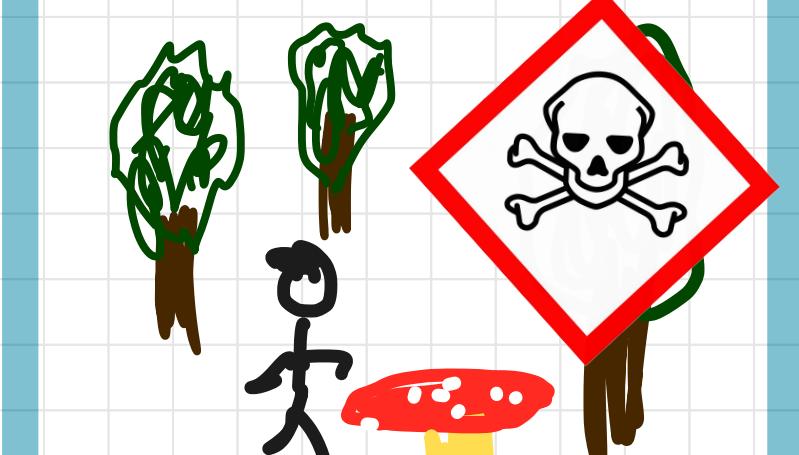
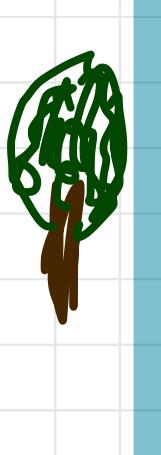
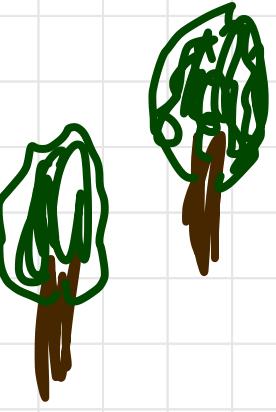
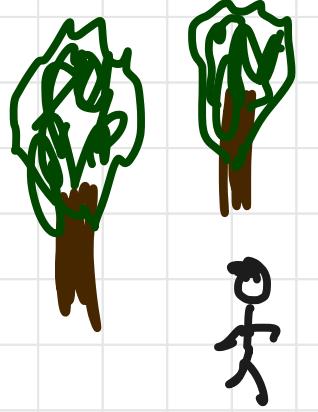
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Welcome and Introduction

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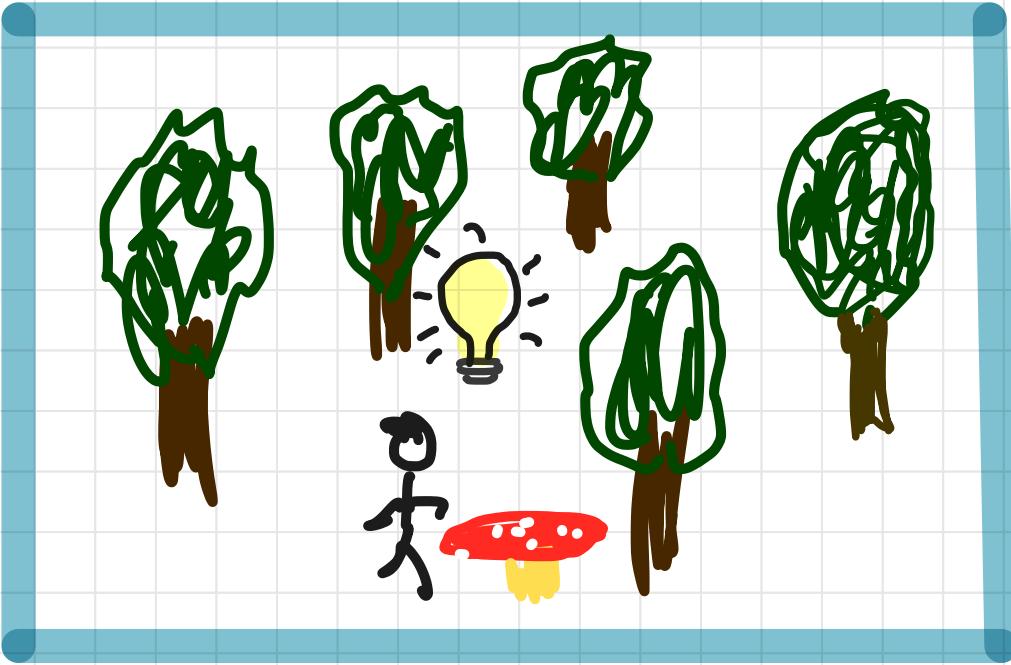
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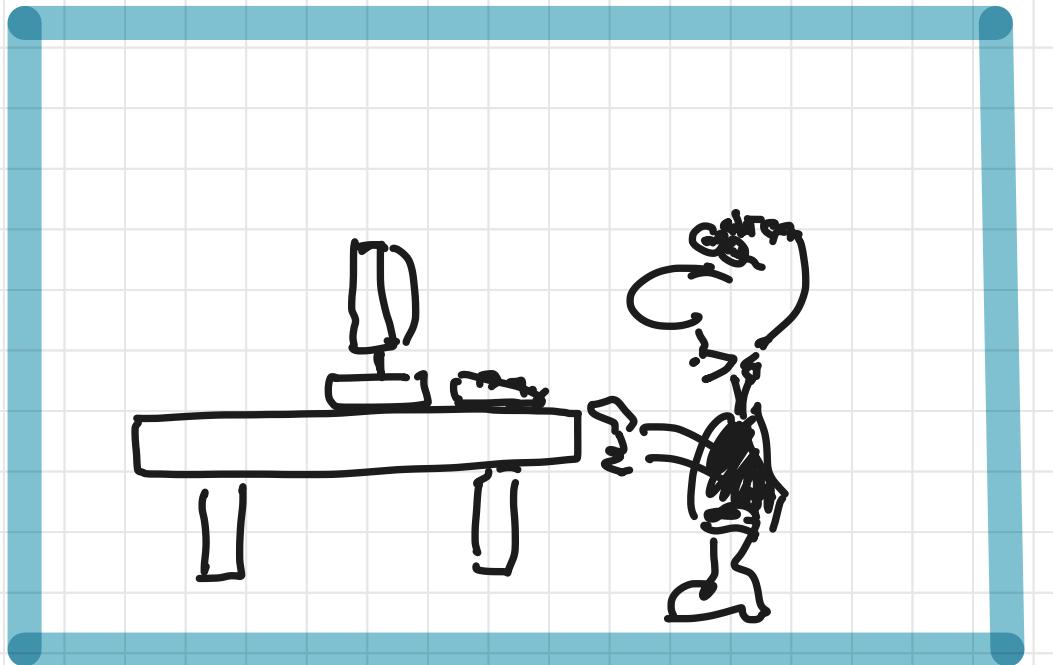
I was walking
in the forest...

When I saw
a mushroom!

But I was not
sure if it was
poisonous or not?



Then I had the idea
of building a computer
vision program that
could classify rooms



I built the model and
it was performing
very well.

AND THEN IT WAS FORGOTTEN

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[1] (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2011.09926.pdf>).

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Create a user friendly tool that helps future dog owners find a dog who is a good fit for their lifestyle and family environment.

There are two stages:

A. Select based on certain features such as size color or an uploaded photo of a dog.

B. Allow the user to chat with a persona of the dog.

PROJECT WORKFLOW

Explore data: Data provided by Austin Pet Alive .

- Identify the type of data
- Preprocessing

Build models:

- Computer vision: find similar looking dogs
- Language models: Build question + answer model

Deploy:

- Deploy the app in Aws.
- Create deployment scripts and provisioning AWS instances

The image illustrates a user interface flow for finding and interacting with dogs, divided into three main steps:

- Step 1:** The user starts by using a "Find me" search bar at the top to filter dog photos. The search bar includes dropdowns for Breed, Age, Height, Weight, and a "Similar" button. A red arrow points from this step to the first grid of dog photos below.
- Step 2:** The user selects one or more dogs from the grid. In this example, four dogs are selected, indicated by yellow boxes around their respective photo frames. A red arrow points from Step 1 to this selection process.
- Step 3:** The user selects a specific dog from the grid, which then triggers a personalized chatbot interface. The chatbot window shows a conversation with "Zella", a puppy. The messages are as follows:
 - Zella: Woof! I am Zella
 - User: How can I help you?
 - Zella: How old are you?
 - Zella: I am 8 weeks old
 - User: Are you a good p
 - Zella: Yes I am the best in the litter :)
 A red arrow points from the selected dog in the grid to the chatbot window.

1. User can find dogs using “Find me” filters
2. Select one or more dogs to find dogs similar to the selected ones
3. Select a dog to chat with. This opens up a personalized chatbot for the selected dog

Find me

Breed ▼

Age ▼

Height ▼

Weight ▼

Similar 

Home Page:

Default page when app starts up

Top “n” dogs shown by default

Image card displays name and image of dog

Image cards are selectable (multiple)

“Find Similar” button shows up when one or more image cards are selected

“Find me” Search/Filter:

The search/filter section will stay on each page

Allows filter by:

- Breed
- Age (range)
- Height (range)
- Weight (range)
- Similar - an image upload to find dogs similar to the dog in the uploaded picture

The filter will get applied on change of any of the filter elements and refresh the image grid

Find me

Breed ▾

Age ▾

Height ▾

Weight ▾

Similar 

Select dogs to find more similar dogs:

- Click on image grid cards to select one or more dogs
- Click on “Find Similar” button to find dogs similar to the ones selected

Find Similar

Reset

Find me

Breed ▾

Age ▾

Height ▾

Weight ▾

Similar 



- All selected dogs + top “n” similar dogs are displayed in the image grid



Find me —

Breed ▼ Age ▼ Height ▼ Weight ▼ Similar 



Zella

Woof! I am Zella

How can I help you?

How old are you?

I am 8 weeks old

Are you a good pup?

Yes I am the best
in the litter :)

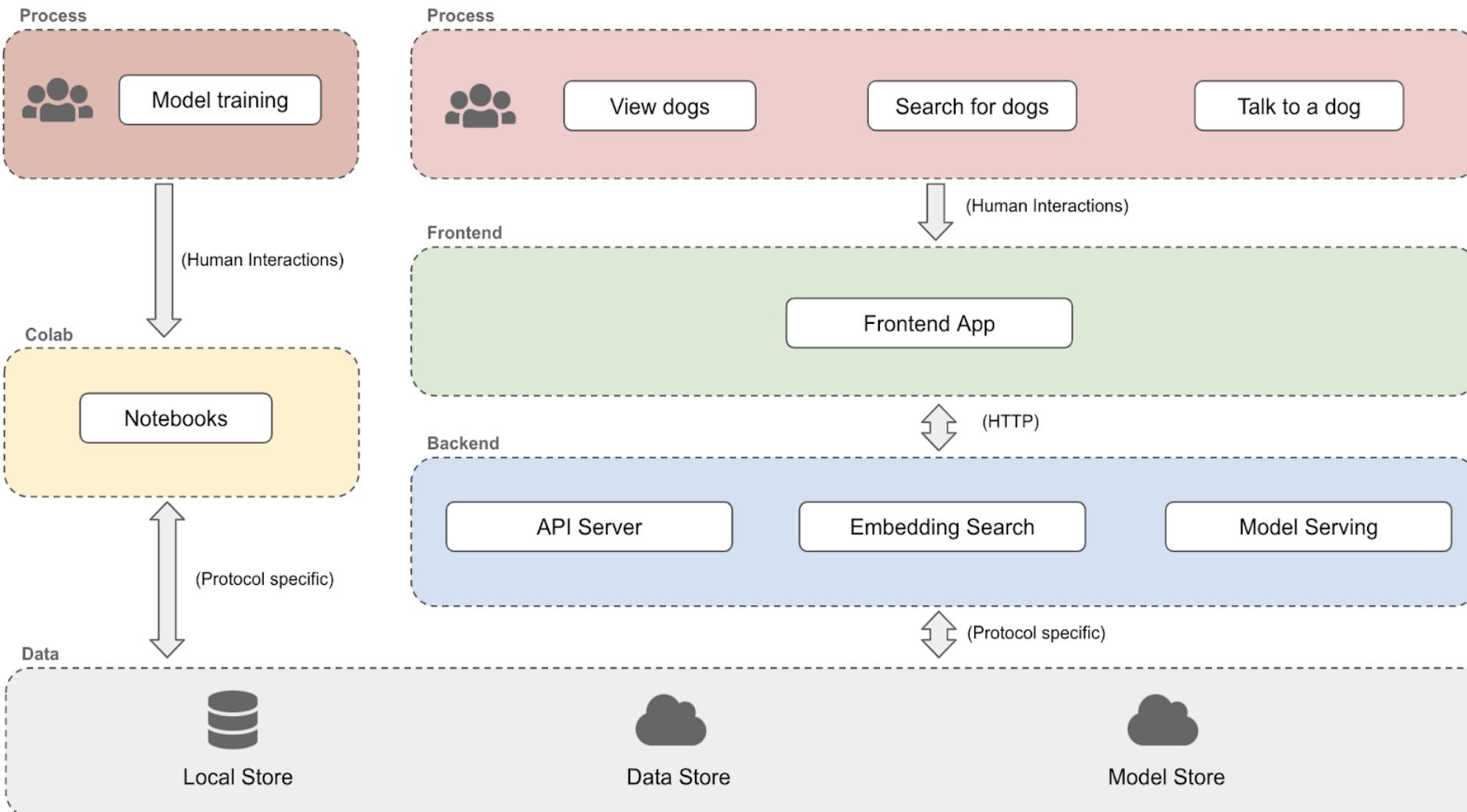
Type a message...



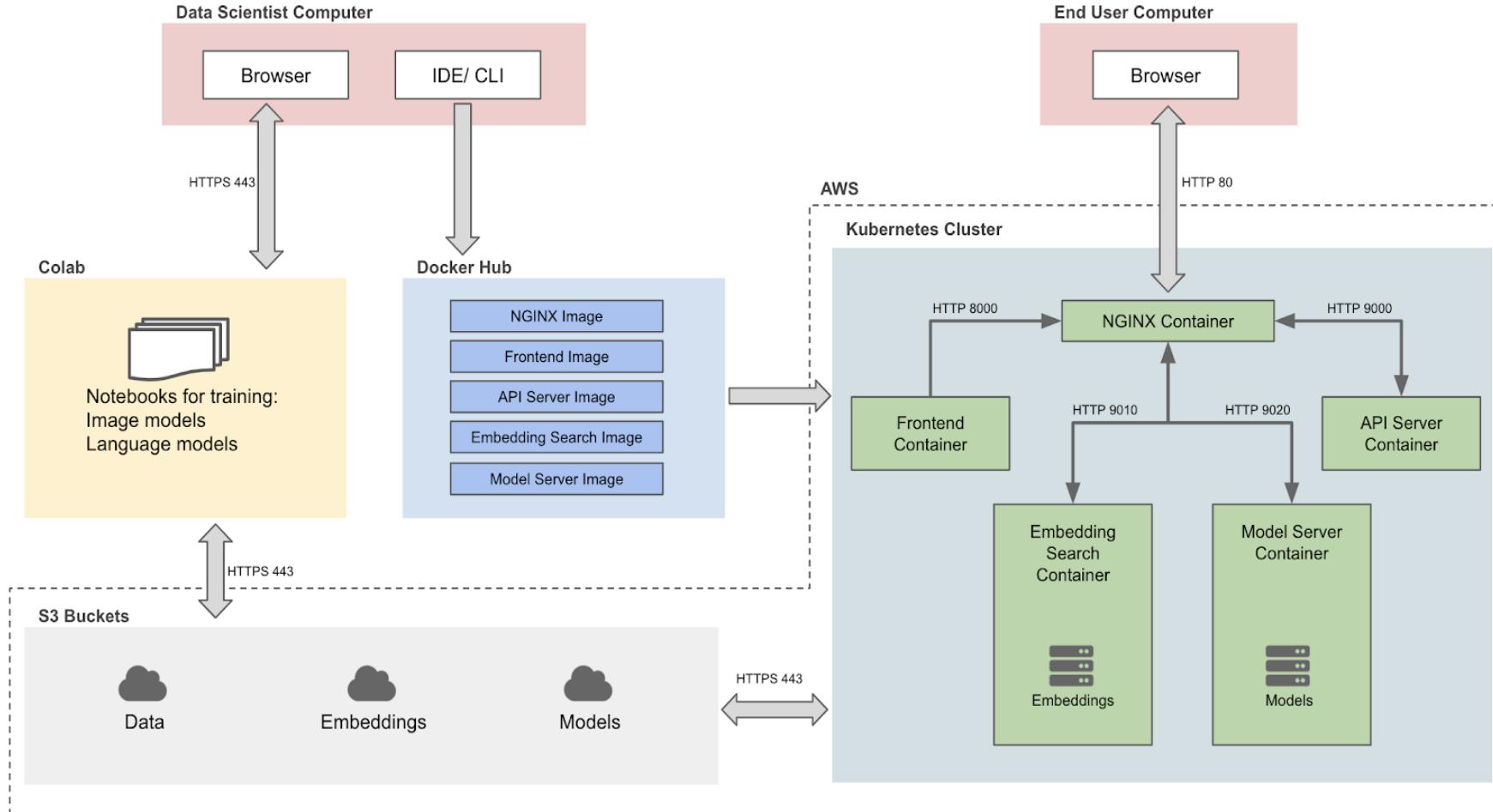
Select a dog to chat with it:

- Image cards in the image grid display a “chat” icon for each dog
- Click on “chat” icon to open up a chat popup
- The chatbot active will be specific to the dog selected
- Dog chat bot can answer basic question about itself + other general questions about the breed + some general question about dogs

Solution Architecture



Technical Architecture



Colab:

Google Colab will be used for model training of image and language models

Trained models will be saved in AWS S3 buckets

Docker Hub:

Docker Hub will be used to host all the container images

AWS S3 Bucket Store:

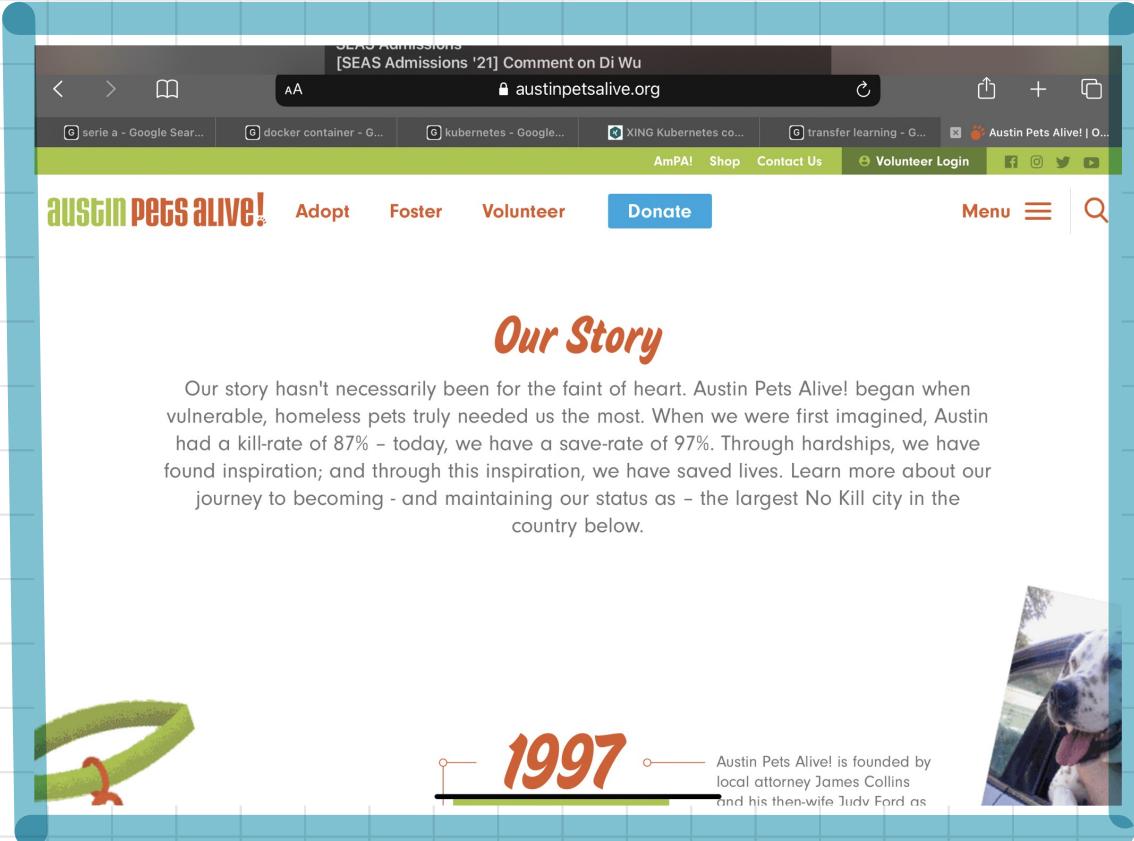
S3 buckets will be used as a common storage repositories for data, embeddings, and models

Kubernetes Cluster:

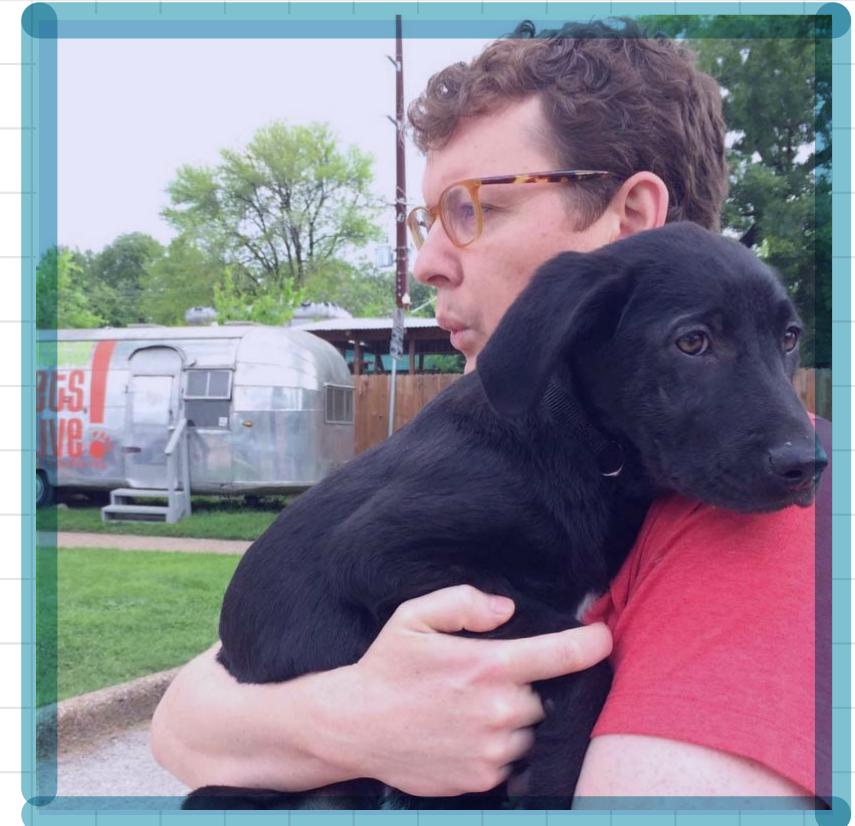
Kubernetes cluster will be used to deploy the various containers on AWS

DATA

AUSTIN PET ALIVE



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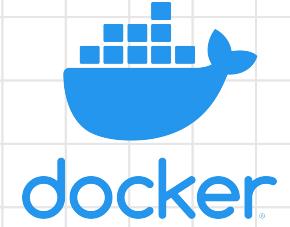
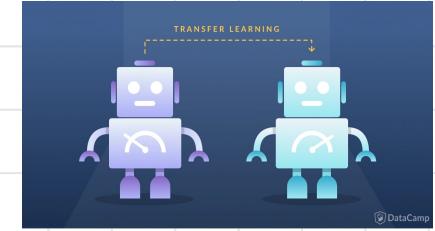


Provide the data and guidance

THANK YOU

TAKE-AWAYS

- Learn about transfer learning as it is applied to computer vision and language models.
- Learn how to containerize your applications using Docker.
- Learn how to deploy your applications on cloud computing using Kubernetes.



EXTRA TAKE-AWAYS

- Scaffold for your application
- High quality starter code
- Network

DAY BY DAY

DAY 1:

Workshop will be on transfer learning for computer vision.

- Transfer learning
- Image Classification
- Network distillation



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Marios Mattheakis

DAY 2:

Workshop will be on transfer learning for language models.

- Language models
- Attention, Self attention
- Transformers
- Bert



Chris Tanner

DAY 3:

Workshop will be on moving code from notebook to self contained environments

- Code optimization
- Containers
- Microservices/APIs



David Sondak

DAY 4:

Workshop will be on deploying containers to the AWS cloud environment.

- Kubernetes
- Amazon Web Services



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Organizers

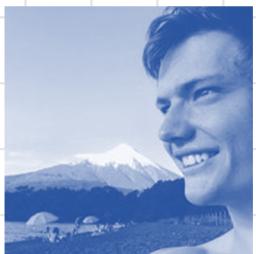


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Day 1:



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Henry Jin



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Day 2:



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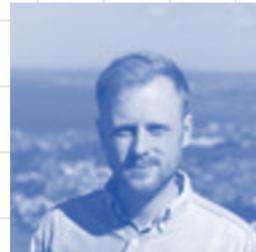
Day 3:



Connor Capitolo



Mehul Smriti



Simon Warchol

GitHub, Discussion Forum and Workspace

- All notebooks, links to colab, lecture notes are:
 - <https://github.com/Harvard-IACS/2021-ComputeFest>
- Forum:
 - <https://compute fest forum.seas.harvard.edu>
- Zoom:
 - Check your email for zoom ids and passwords
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