

# AI at the Edge of IoT

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# The agenda

- The IoT Data Processing Architecture
- Types of IoT Data Analytics
- Cloud Analytics vs Edge Analytics
- Why Edge Computing ?
- The Hardware and Software Enablers of Edge Computing



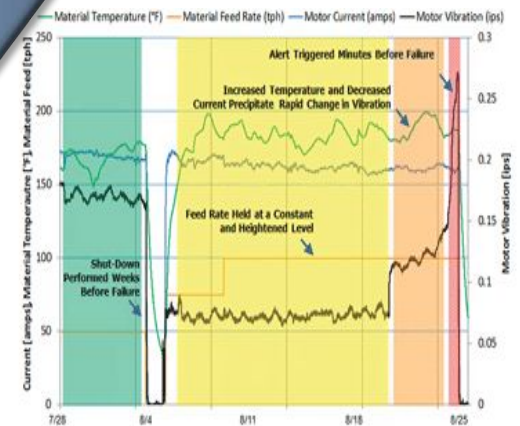
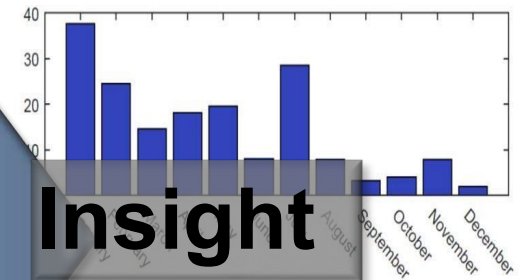
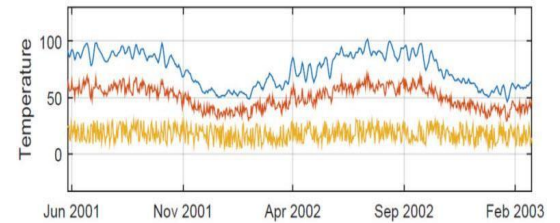
- different
- networking of physical devices –
  - Ex: traffic light in smart city

**Physical things + computing + connectivity +  
sensors + actuators = IoT**

# IoT Analytics- A Broad Picture



Devices Analytics



# Why IoT ?



Physical things can sense, communicate and collaborate creating a **greater intelligent outcome** to bring more **value** to the users of those things

## *Users*

- Monitor & control devices remotely
- Use efficiently
- Service life of things can extend
- Improved experience through collaboration of things
- Autonomy of things

## *Manufacturers / Administrators*

- Real-time insights into device location, condition, usage and performance
- Open new opportunity to monetize value added services around product usage
- Ability to improve future products
- Infield product upgrades for extended lifecycle

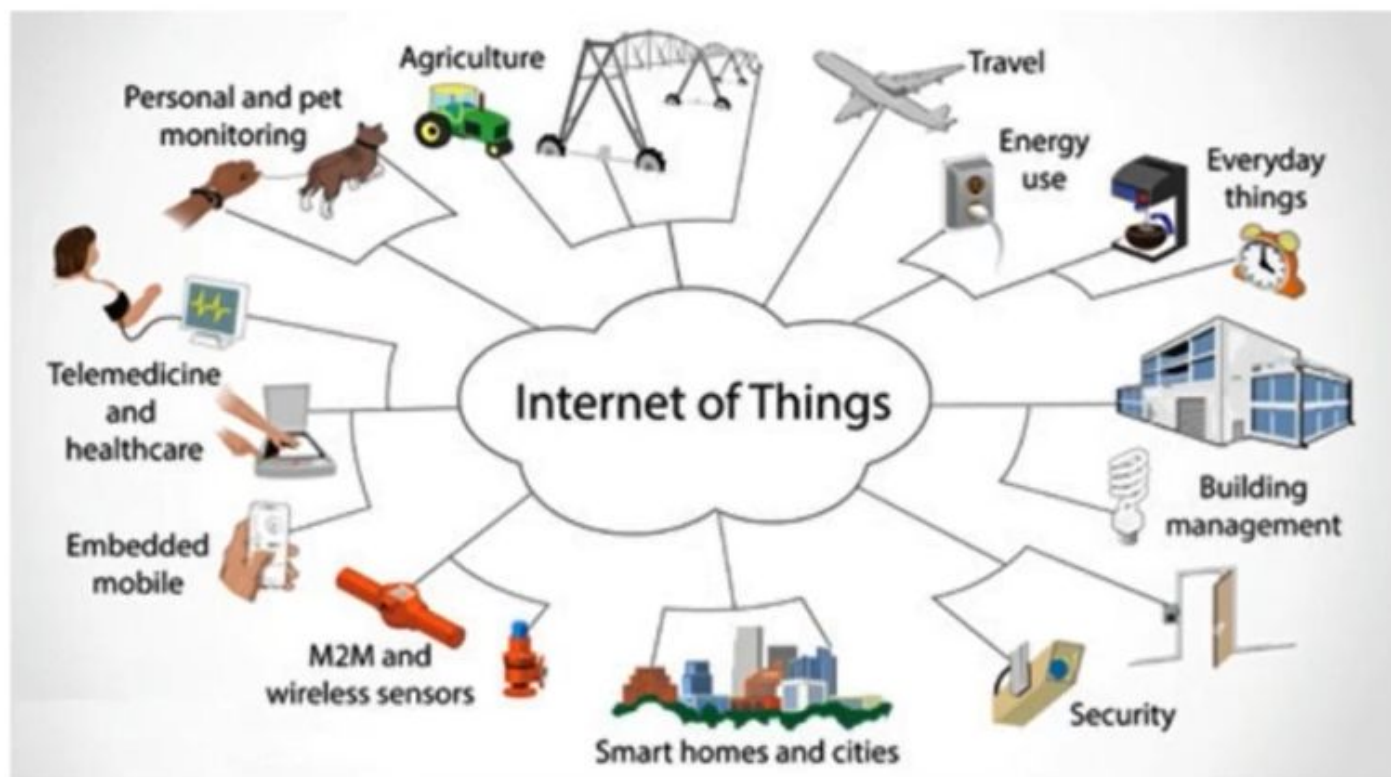
# Broad Categories

- **Consumer IoT** – Smart home, Smart buildings
- **Industrial IoT** – machines in a particular industry gets connected Ex: Medical equipments can be controlled and monitored
- **Civic IoT** – smart public services like transportation , smart grid etc..

*Consumer IoT*

*Industrial IoT*

*Civic IoT*

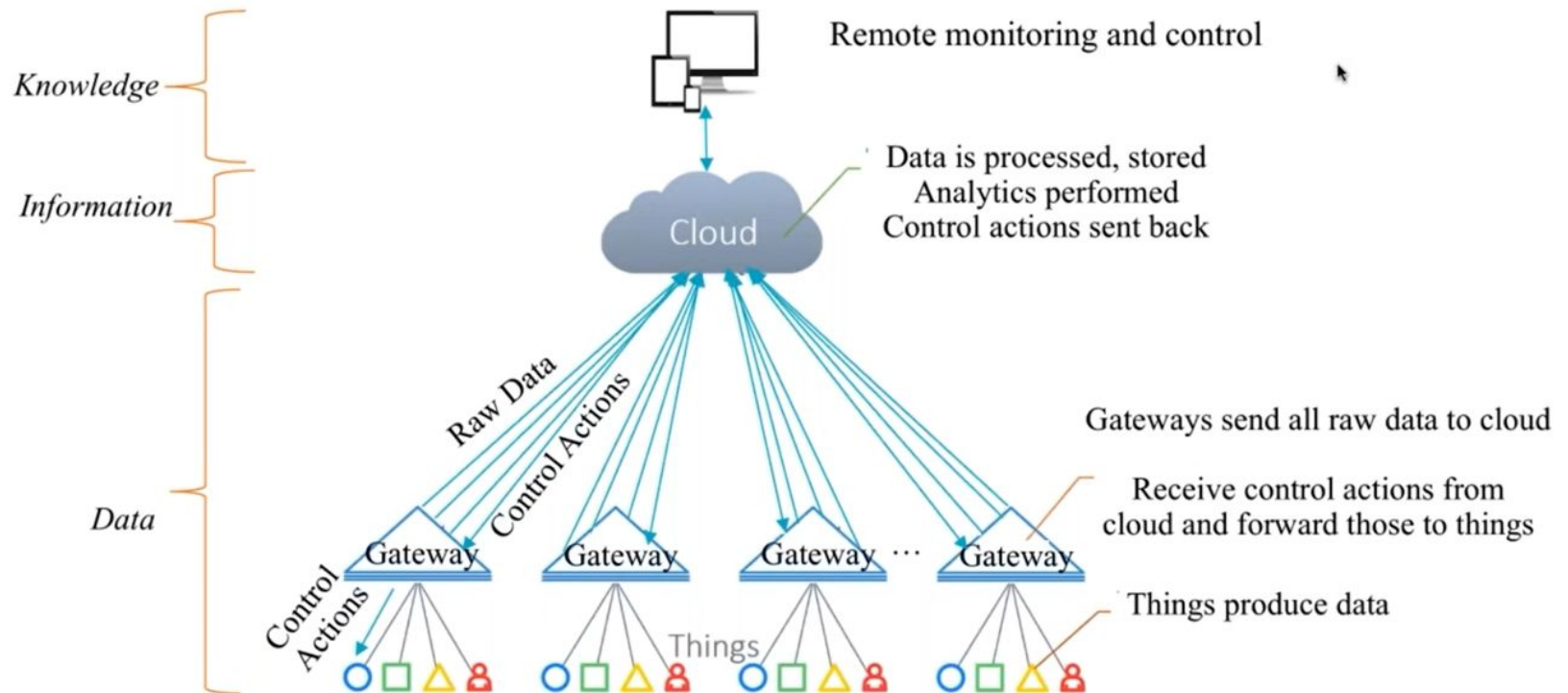


# What does it take?

- Sensors / Actuators
- Single Board Computers, SoCs
- Embedded programming
- Intelligent Devices (mobile)
- Internet
- Cloud computing
- Big Data
- Analytics
- Artificial Intelligence



# ARCHITECTURE



# Challenges

- Security
- Privacy
- Interoperability
- Over-the-air upgrades
- Huge data volumes (data intensive)
- Real-time actionable insights
- Complex event processing
- Standardization has not kept pace with growth

# Data Volumes



4 TB / day / car  
200+ sensors / car



10 TB / day / well



5 PB / day



6000 sensors  
2.5 TB / day

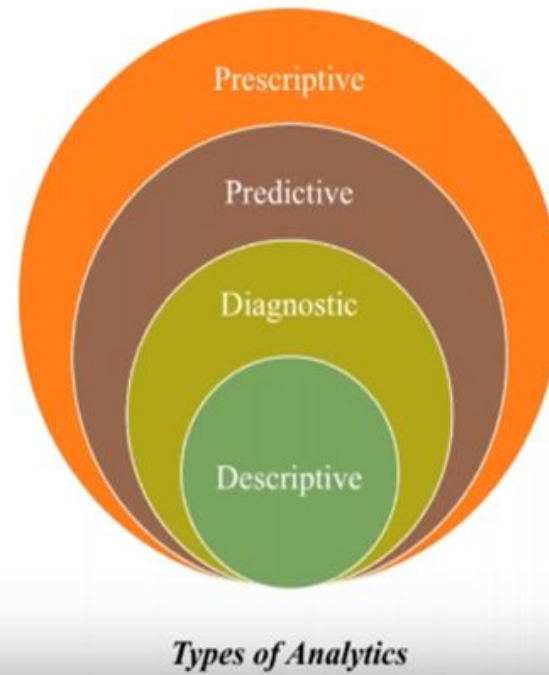
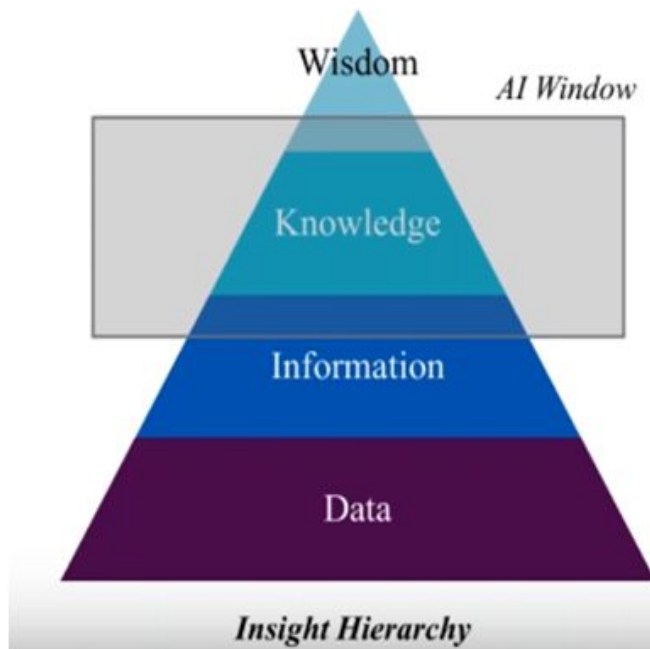


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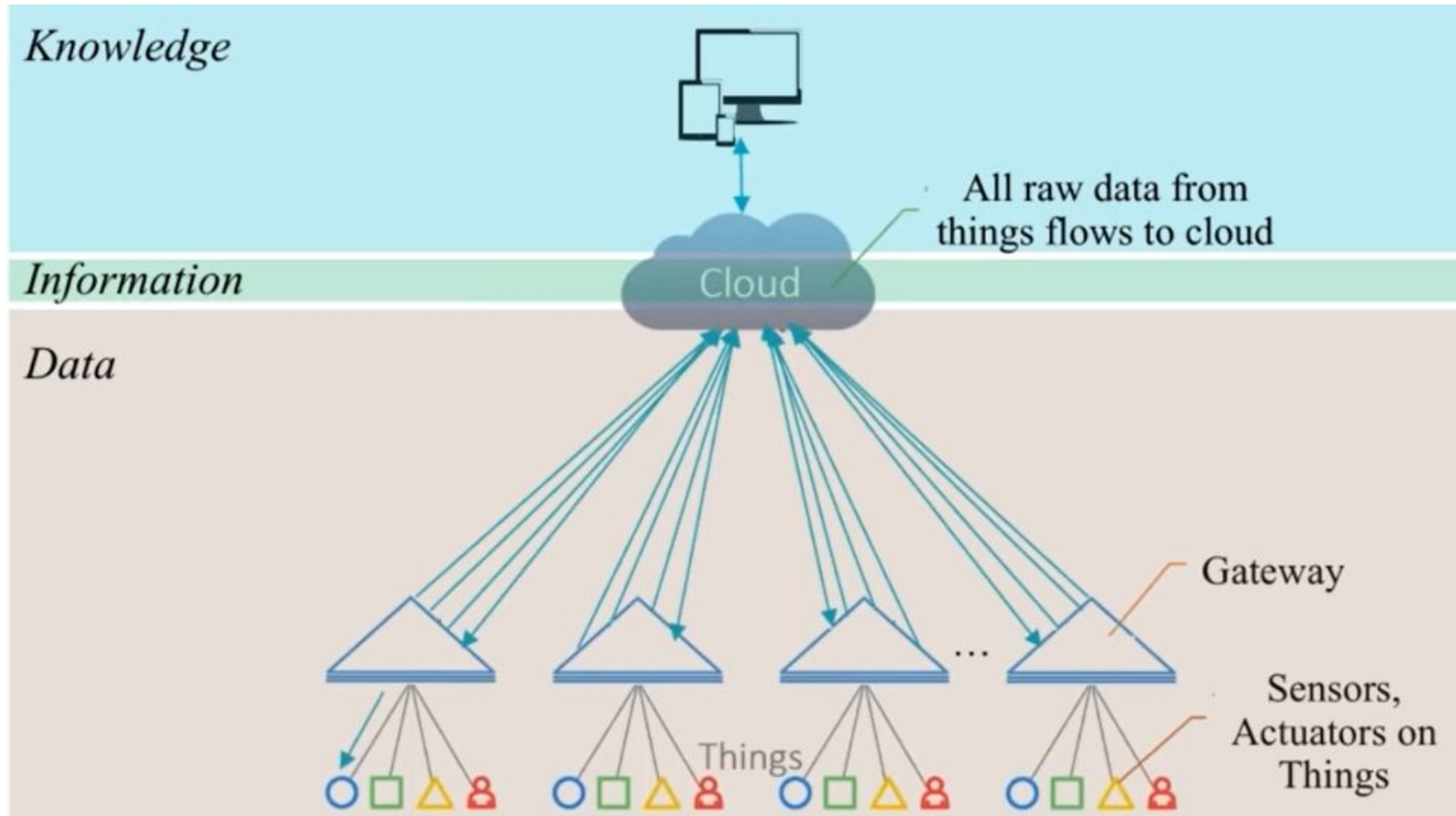


1.5 TB / day

# How to draw insights??



# Insights in Centralized IoT



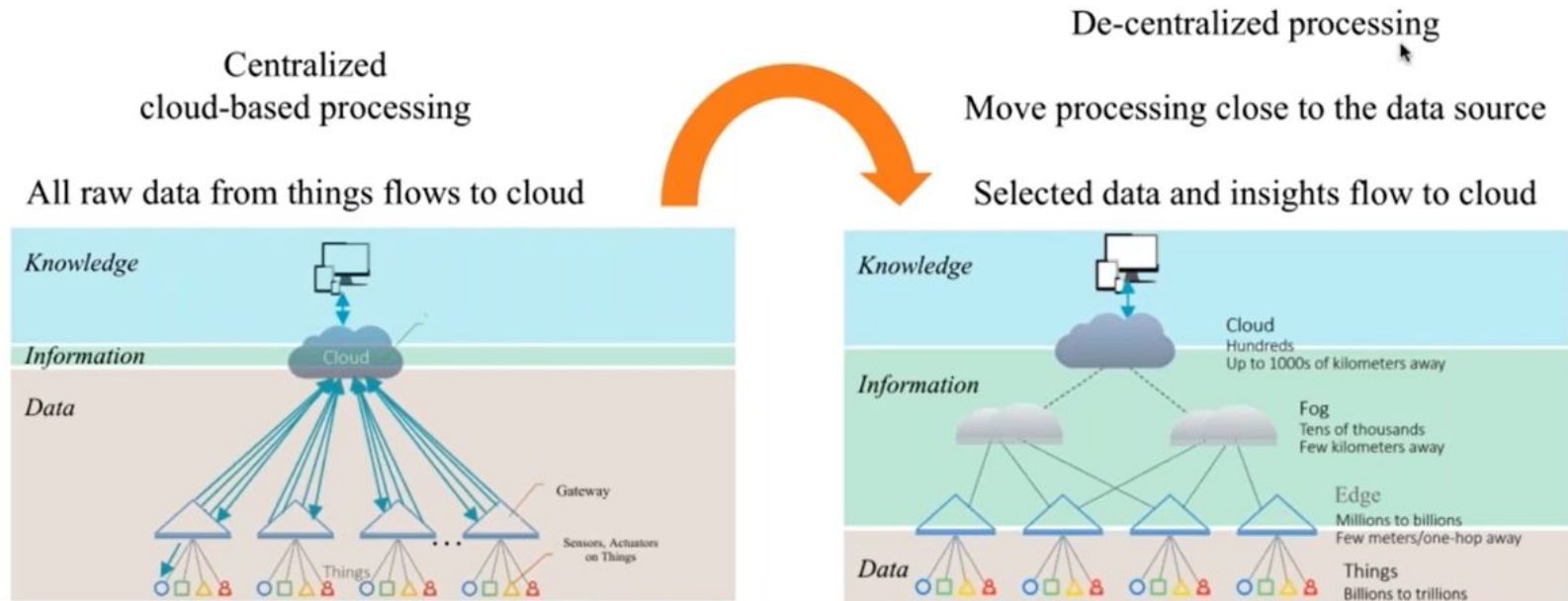
# Data Processing challenges

- Intermittent Connection
- Insufficient Bandwidth
- Delayed (No) actions
- No real-time insights
- Security & Compliance
- High Latency
- Perishable data  
(data loses its value when not used appropriately)

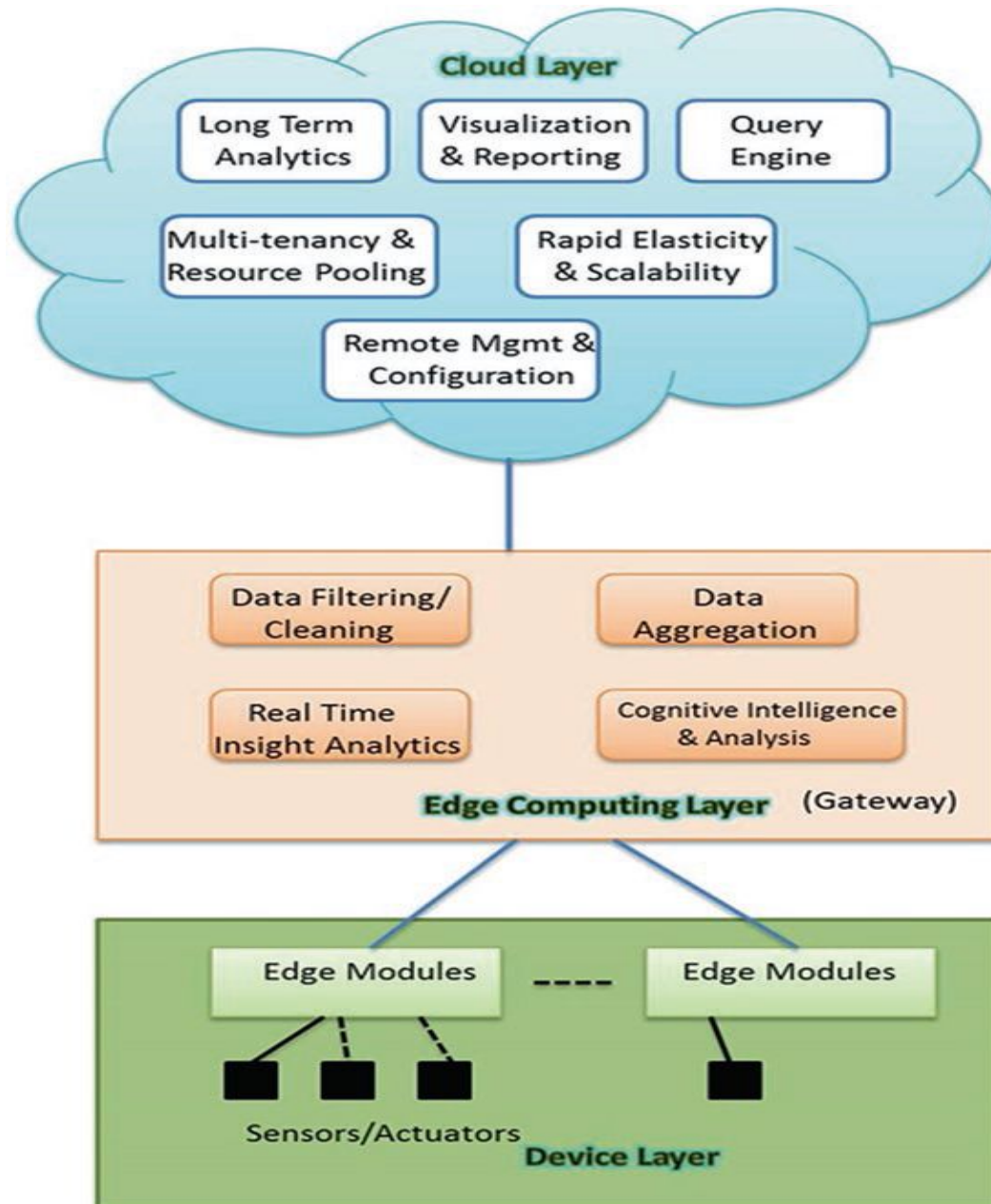


The solution to the problem is the **de-centralized processing with edge/fog computing.**

# Solution – Edge / Fog Computing

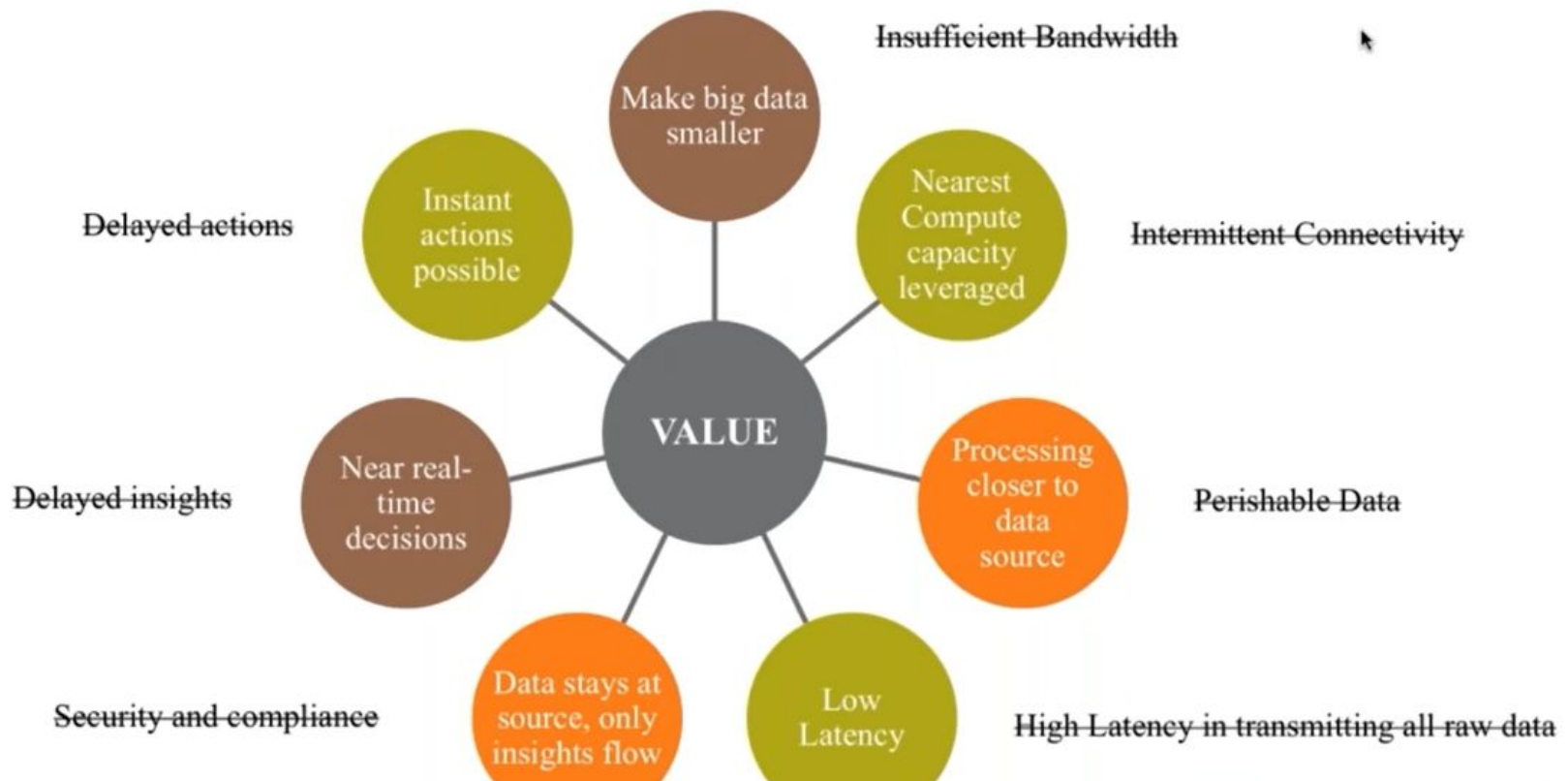






- Availability of higher computing power and storage for lesser cost
- Cost of development and form factor of the embedded devices continue to drop.
- Ever growing volume of data from the world around us
- Availability of advanced machine learning and data analytics techniques

# Advantages of de-centralized approach



# Capabilities needed at the edge

- Compactness
- Ruggedness for out-door, harsh environmental conditions (shock, temperature ..)
- Security
- Remote administration, monitoring and control
  - Software updates
- Modularity for easy subsystem replacement
  - Device upgrades

# The HARDWARE ENABLERS OF EDGE COMPUTING

Processors & Accelerators

Micro Data Centers

*Converged Systems*  
*Compute + Storage + Network*

*Advanced SoCs powerful  
enough to run full-fledged OS  
+ complex algorithms*

*5G, SDN, NFV*

Complete Edge Software Stack  
with  
Analytics / Machine Learning  
Libraries

# PROCESSORS & System on chips



E5 – 8 cores, **3.8 GHz**, **135 W**

E3 – 4 cores, 3.5 GHz, 80 W

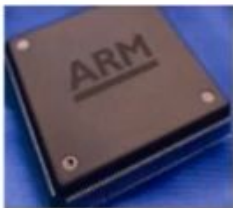
D – 16 cores, 1.3 GHz, 45 W



1-8 cores, 1.9 GHz, 2 - 20 W

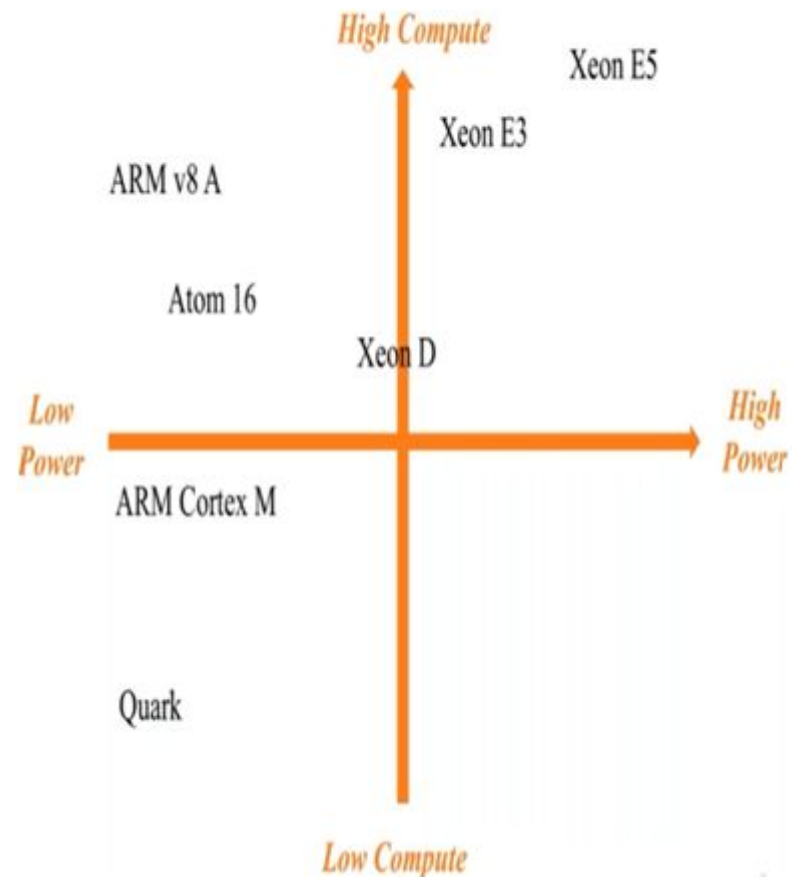


**32 - 400 MHz**, **0.025 W** to 2.2 W



M – 1 to 2 cores, 400 - 800Hz, 2+ W

A V8 – 4 cores, **2.5 GHz**, **2+ W**



# ACCELERATORS

## FPGA



- Reprogrammable for new problems of ever-shifting technologies and business models
- Up to 1500 GFLOPs still less energy-hungry
- Used in Intel's driver-less cars platform
- Neural network execution for Bing and in Azure

# Advantages of FPGA over GPUs

- (1) provides a consistent throughput, invariant to the size of application workload
- (2) offer both spatial and temporal parallelism
- (3) FPGAs feature 3 - 4 times lower power consumption and up to 30 times better energy efficiency



# Some use cases



OBJECT DETECTION



HUMAN DETECTION



POSE ESTIMATION



FACE DETECTION

# ASIC (Application Specific Integrated Circuits)

- **Google's Tensor Processing Unit (TPU)**



- 15 to 30 times faster neural networks in less power
- Saved Google cost of 15 new data centres
- Costly, permanent in nature, not reprogrammable
- Google, Facebook need AI chip on personal devices to run neural networks

# Converged Infrastructure for Edge Devices

- Compute, storage, network and virtualization components grouped together in a package
- Compact in size
- Rugged for harsh edge conditions
- Optimized for low energy consumption
- Engineered to optimize performance and cost
- Ready to commission

# Converged Servers for Gateway



- Intel Xeon D / E3 @ 1.3 to 3.5 GHz
- 4 – 32 cores
- 64 – 512 GB RAM
- Workstation – class GPU
- IU form factor
- Upto 4 TB storage
- 10 – 40 Gbps network
- 45 – 100 W

# Compute for Things-to-Cloud

Microcontrollers	SoC	Gateway	Server	Micro Data Center
 <p>Small size, low power low cost</p> <p>High performance apps like DSP (Digital Signal Processing), sensor fusion, motor control</p>	 <p>Server class SoC with ARMv8 64 bit</p> <p>54 cores 3.0 GHz Upto 1 TB memory 100 Gbps I/O bandwidth 10 to 100 GbE</p> <p>Integrated hardware accelerators for security, storage, networking and virtualization</p>	 <p>Intel Atom / i5 dual-core</p> <p>1.46 / 1.9 GHz On-board GPU 4 - 8 GB RAM 32 - 64 GB SSD 1U / 2U form factor</p> <p>Rugged for harsh edge</p>	 <p>Intel E5-26xx V4 family</p> <p>64 to 176 cores 32GB to 2TB RAM 9.6 - 460 TB storage 12M+ IOPS, 60GB/s transfer rate</p> <p>2U (H 3.5" x W 17.25" x L 36.5")</p> <p>Rugged for harsh edge</p>	 <p>10s of processors in a single 19in 15U to 30U rack</p> <p>Rapidly deployable indoor, outdoor</p> <p>Designed to withstand in rugged, high risk zones</p>

# Data Centers @ Edge

## *Micro data center*



Standalone rack-level systems

Contain all of 'traditional' data center in one box

Designed for specific set of workloads

## *Modular data center*



A modular data center connected to the power grid at a utility substation

Modules can be shipped to be added, integrated or retrofitted as required

## *Portable data center*



Portable modular datacenter

20 to 40 feet container size

Complete IT infrastructure in a shipping container.

# Storage



1 TB SSD  
M.2 U form factor



Intel 'Ruler' SSD  
1 PetaByte Storage  
1U server rack



IBM Tape  
330 TB  
Palm size

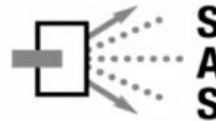
## Transfer Rates

HDD – 120-150 MB/s  
SSD – 500-600 MB/s

## Interface Comparison

**SATA**

150 – 600 MB/s  
Queues : 1  
Q Depth: 32



**SAS**

750 MB/s  
Queues : 1  
Q Depth: 254



1 to 3GB/s  
CPU cycles: 50+% less  
Queues : 65000  
Q Depth: 65000

# Software @ Edge



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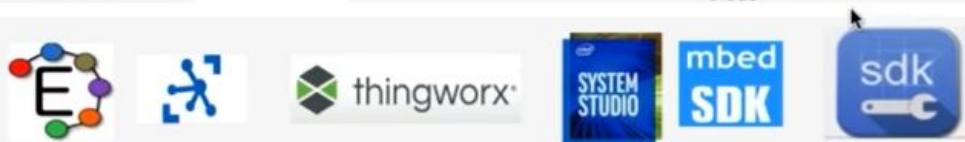


# Cloud Stack



# Edge Stack

## Business specific IoT applications



# Things Stack

Business specific IoT applications

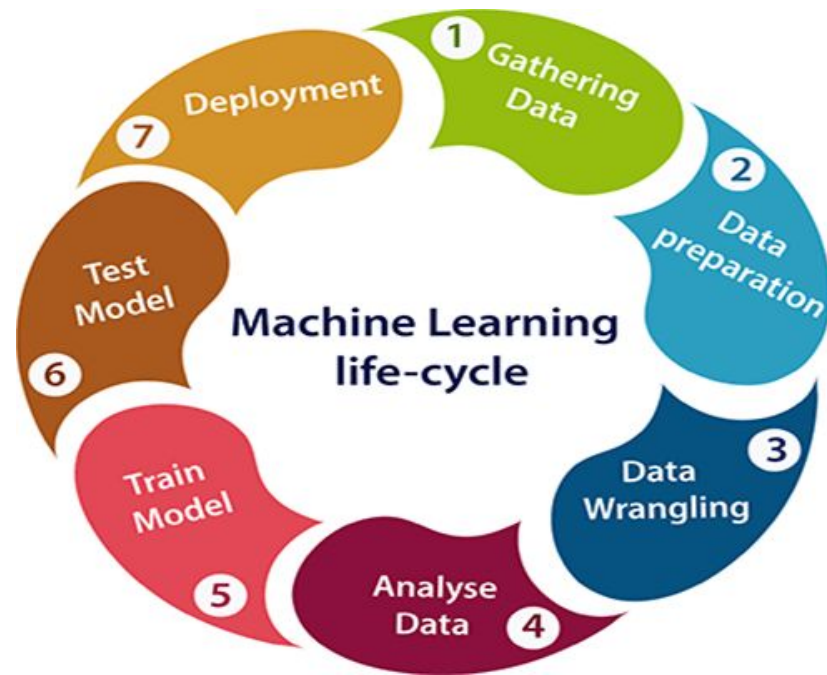


# Challenges at Edge

- Replication of data – when, what, how
- Security at resource constrained edge devices
- Storage limitations
- Creating analytical model in one place and executing it in multiple places
- Creation and exchange of ML model within nodes
- Complexity Management
- Peer-to-peer communication requires mature standards
- Dependent in progress in communication network and related infrastructure



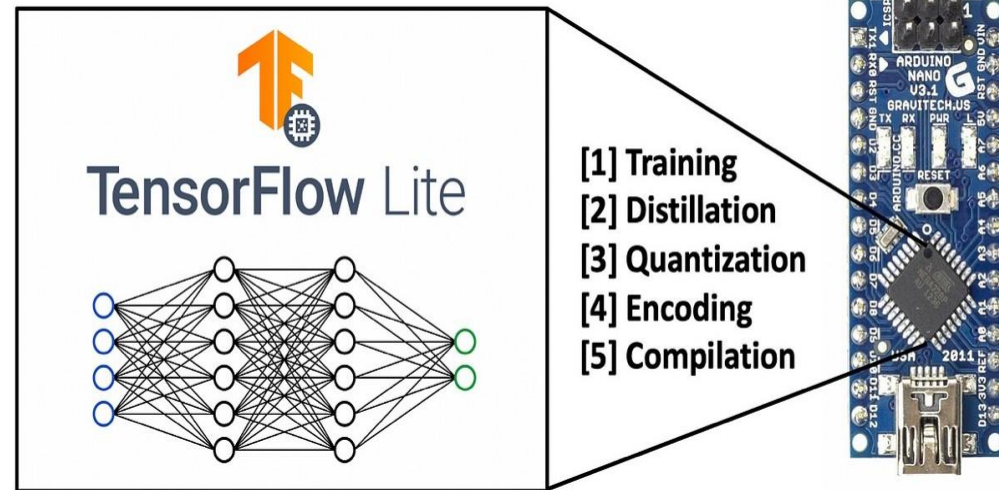
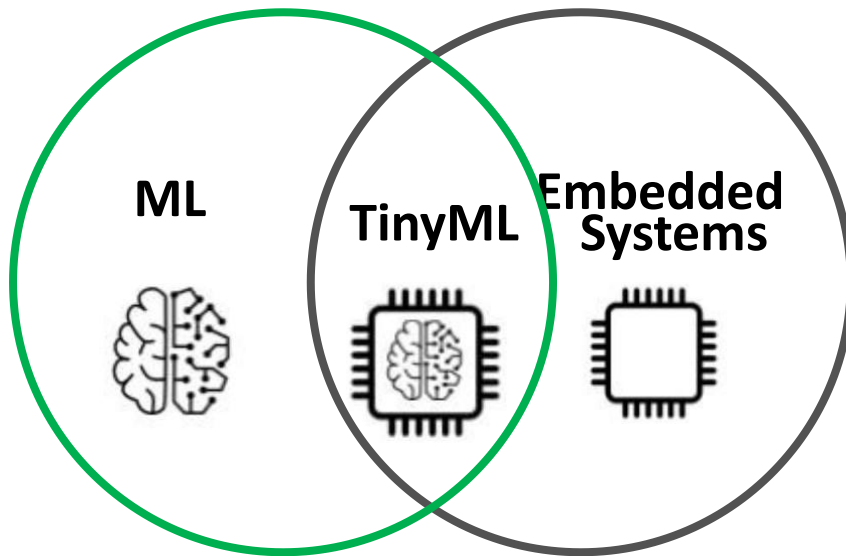
# An overview of Tiny ML





# Foundations and Applications of TinyML

- **TinyML:** Emerging area where **ultra large powerful ML models are converted into executables for embedded systems** that are battery operated and mostly well beyond the operation capacity of the smart phones (e.g., microcontrollers)



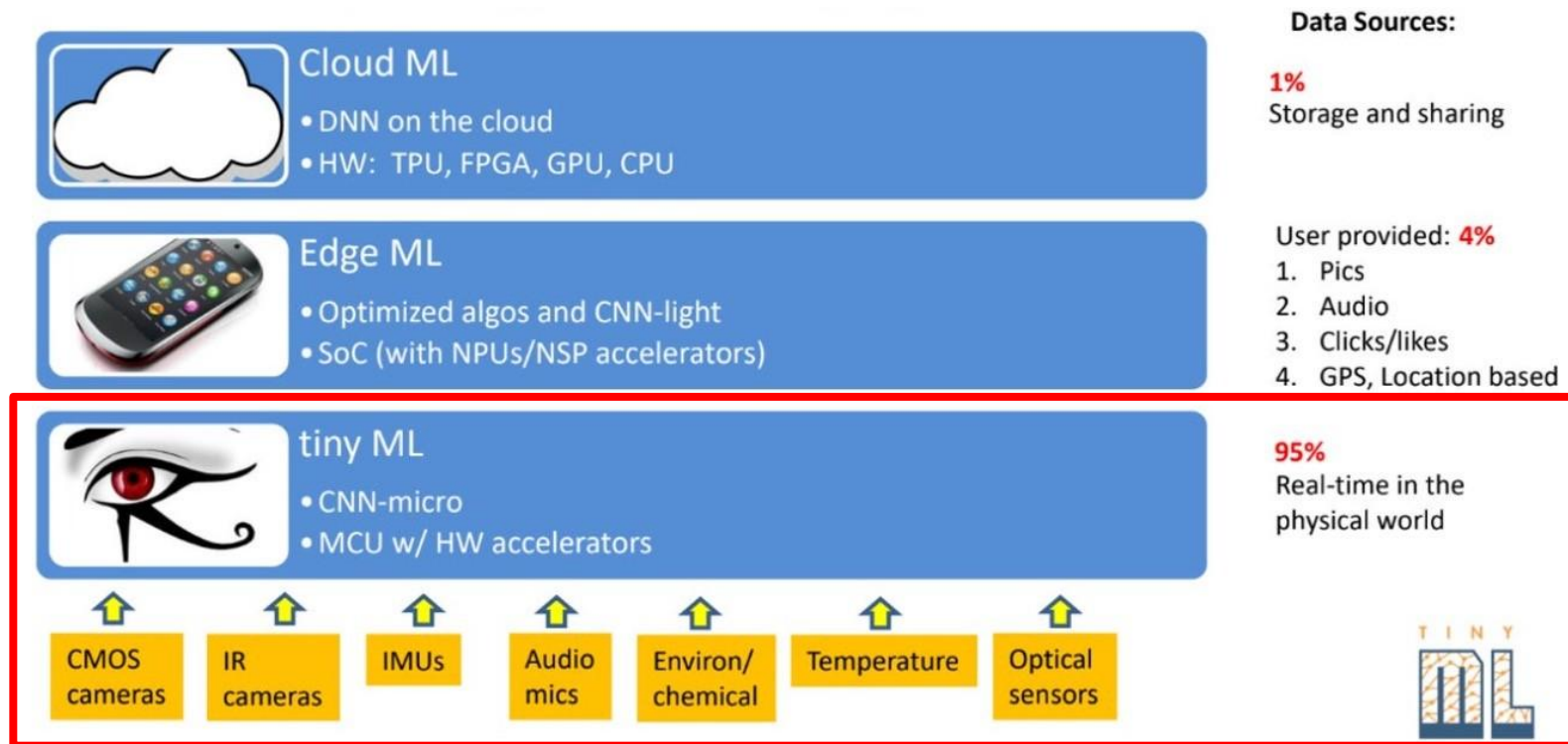
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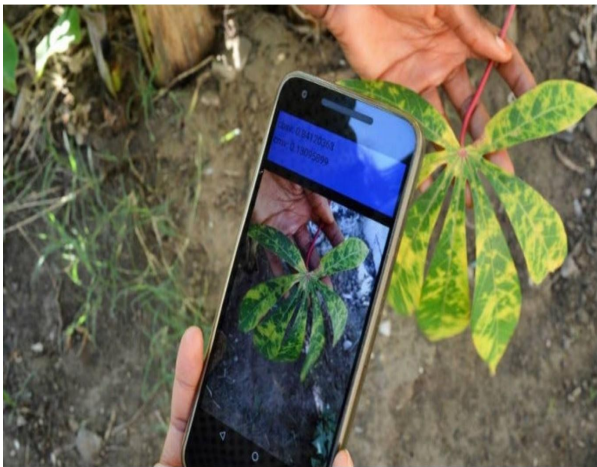
- TinyML is **real-time processing of time-series data that comes directly from sensors**



Source:  
<https://www.tinyml.org/about/>

# Foundations and Applications of TinyML

- TinyML has **applications in agriculture, health, retail, energy industry**, and more...



Plant disease classification with TensorFlow Lite on Android

Source: <https://yannicksergeobam.medium.com/plant-disease-classification-with-tensorflow-lite-on-android-part-2-c2d47371cea3>



Solar Scare Mosquito: A solar-operated device that sits on stagnant water to create air bubbles at regular intervals to avoid the breeding of mosquitoes

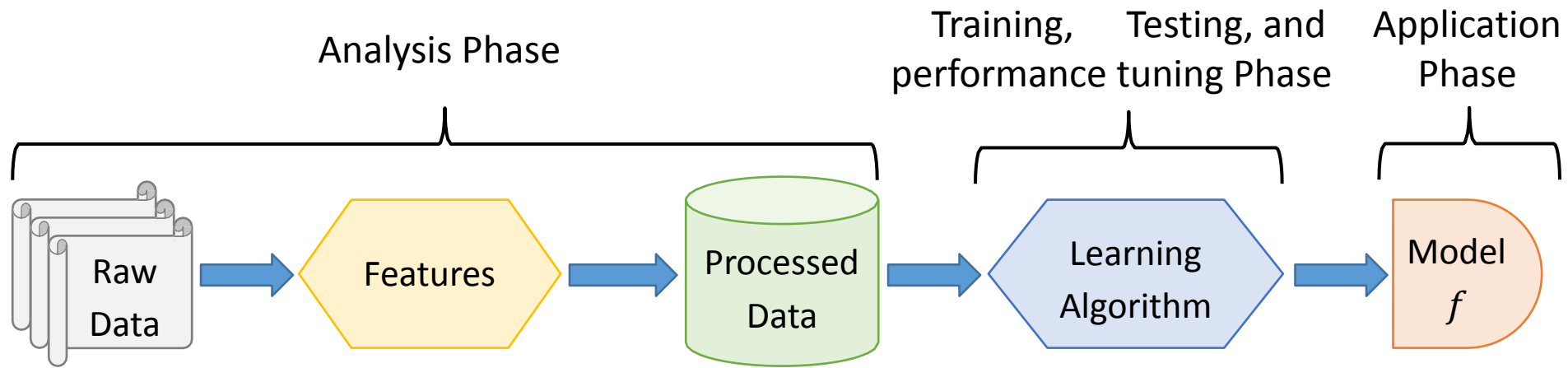
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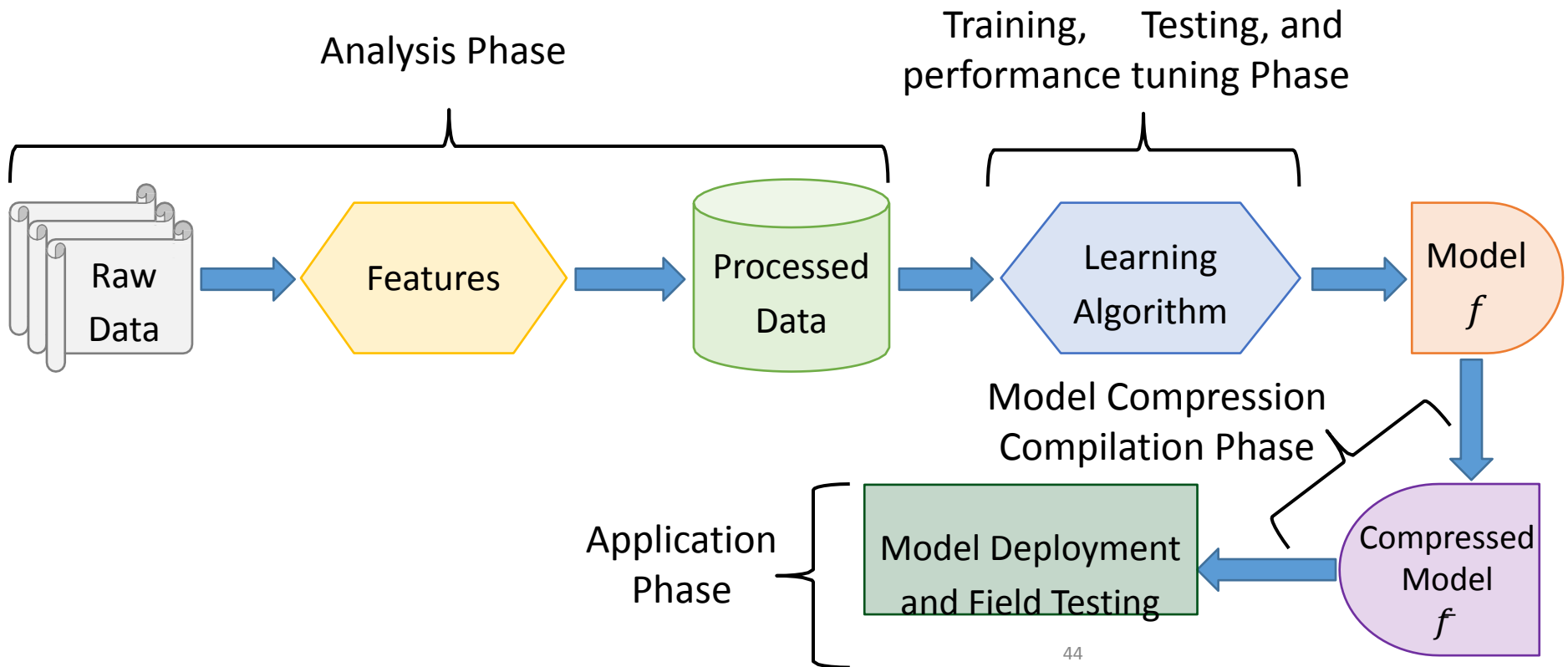
TinyML for keeping an eye on the inventory of goods on the shelf in retail establishments and sending out warnings when it runs low

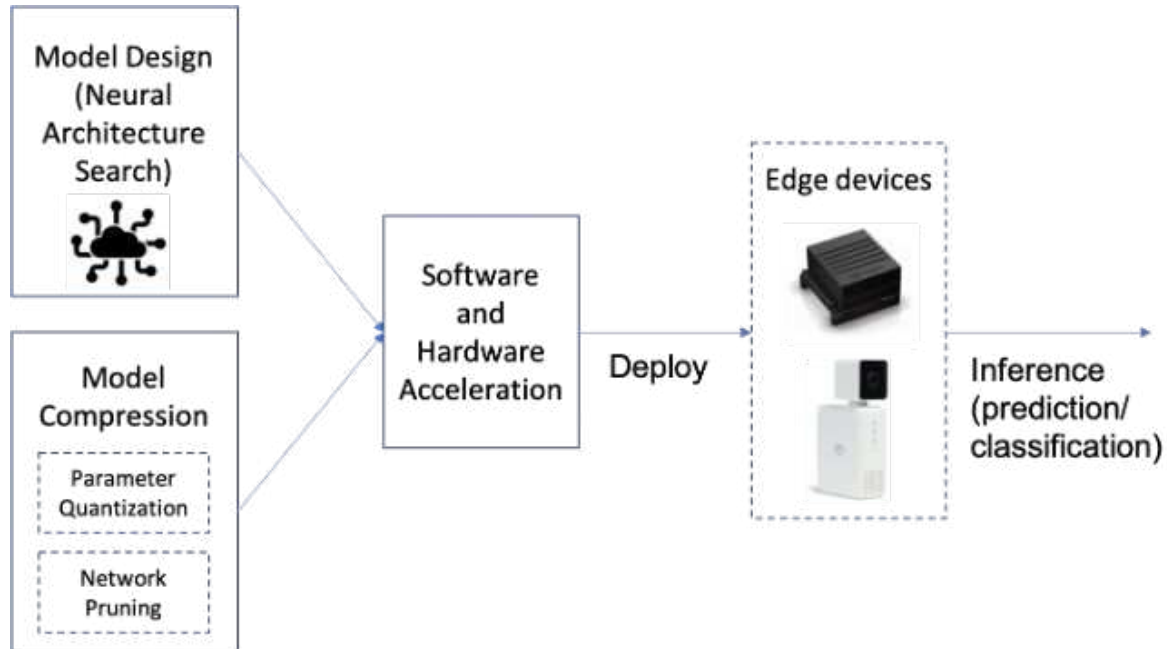
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# A Schematic View of ML and Its Phases

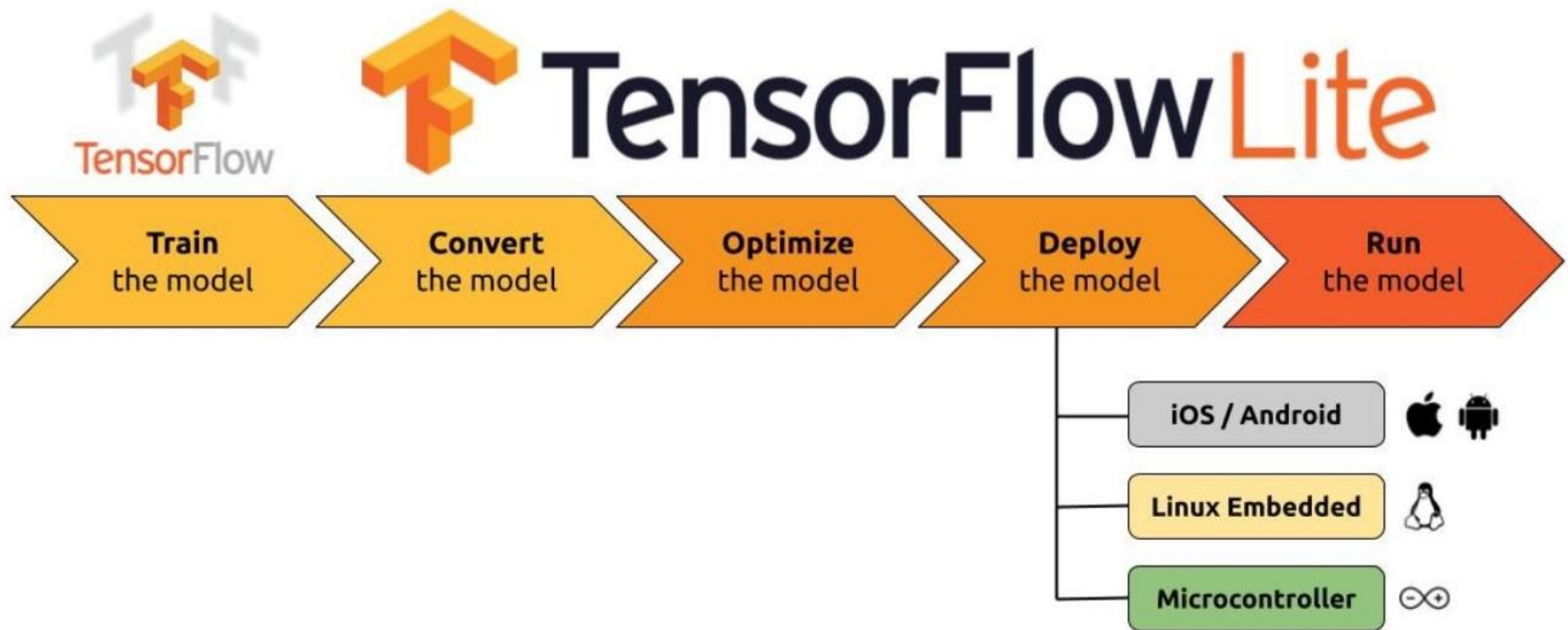


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# TensorFlow (TF) and TFLite Workflow for TinyML



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