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# Arcon

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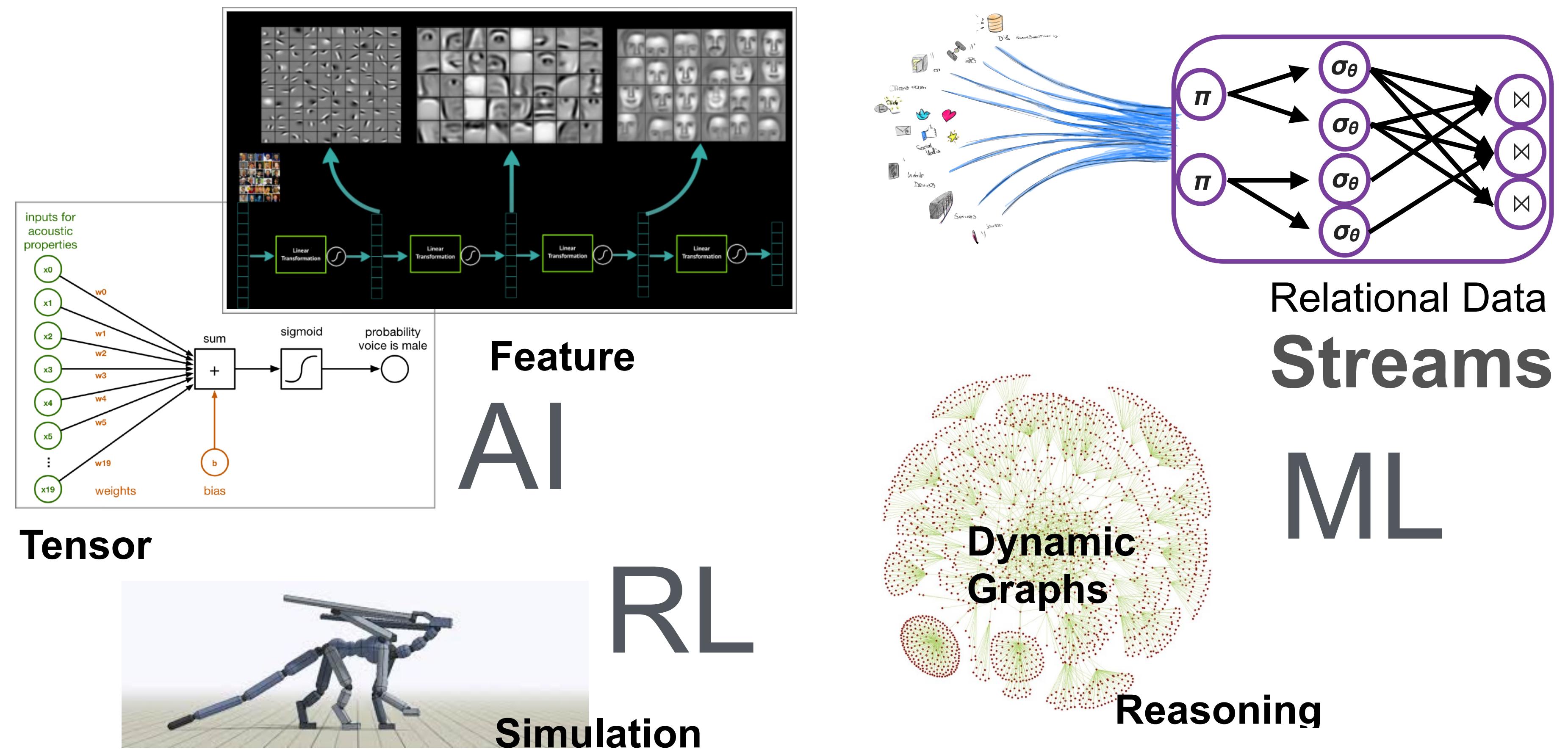
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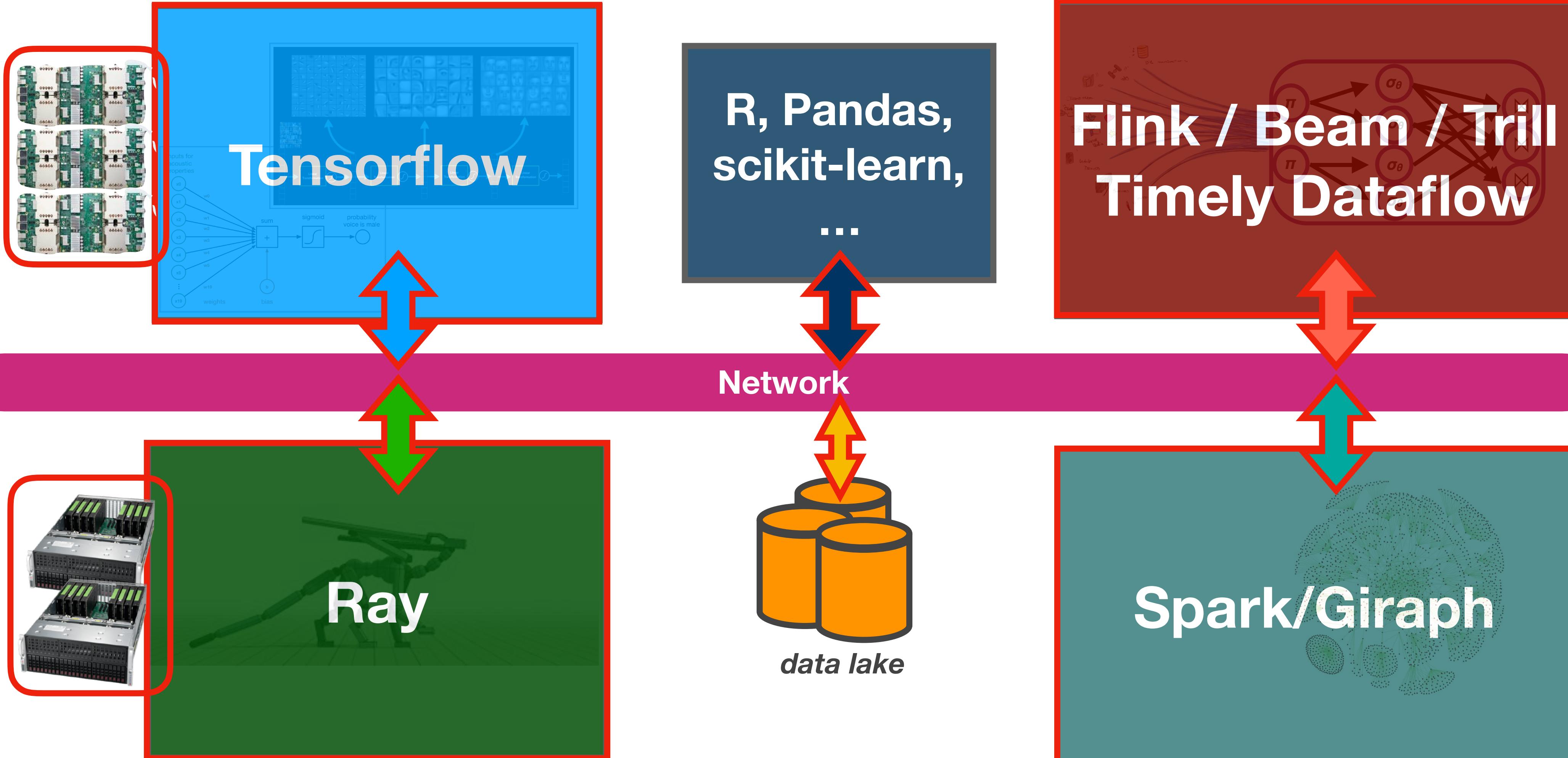
# Outline

- Project Introduction
- Arc IR and Compilation Pipeline
- Demo (Frontend, IR, CodeGen, Execution)
- Conclusions and Future Work

# Motivation

- Many Frameworks/Frontends for different needs
- (ML Training & Serving, SQL, Streams, Tensors, Graphs)





- Impedance Mismatch (e.g., types, guarantees, state etc.)
- Excessive IO/ Data Movement of intermediate results
- Isolated HW Execution - No cross-framework optimisation



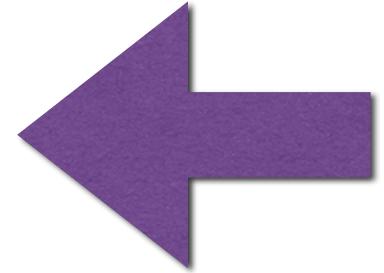
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# The Arcon System

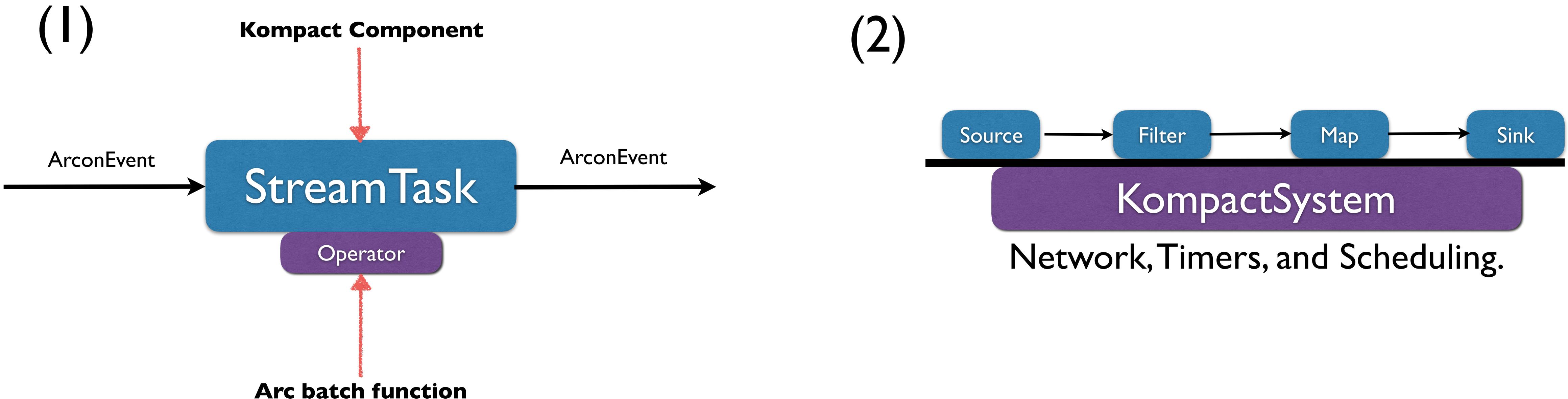
Arc IR Compiler

Arcon Runtime



# Arcon Runtime

- Rust-based distributed dataflow engine
- Building Blocks:
  - Kompact: Hybrid Concurrent Component + Actor Model
  - Arc batch backend





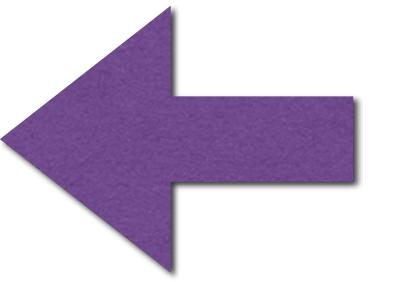
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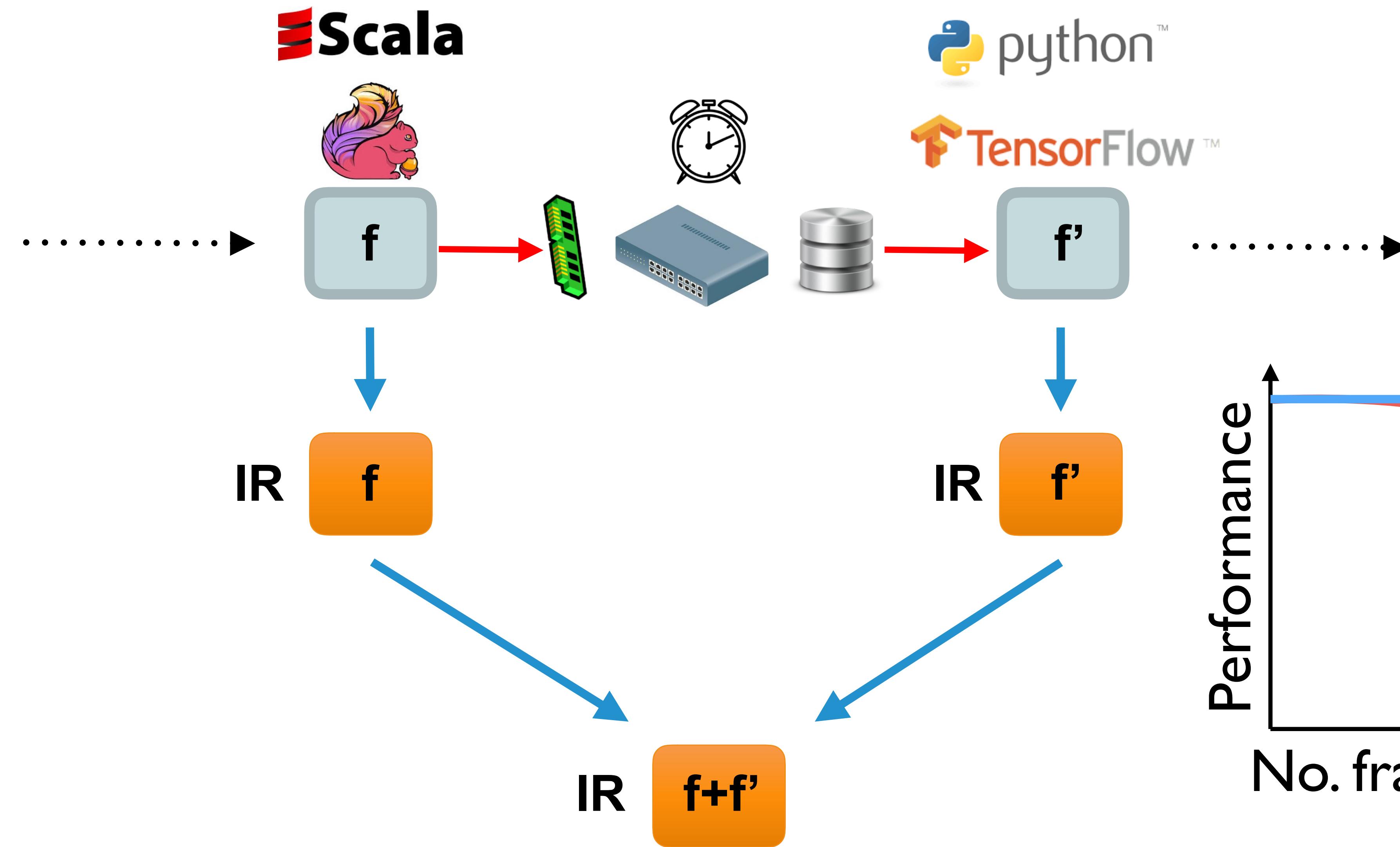
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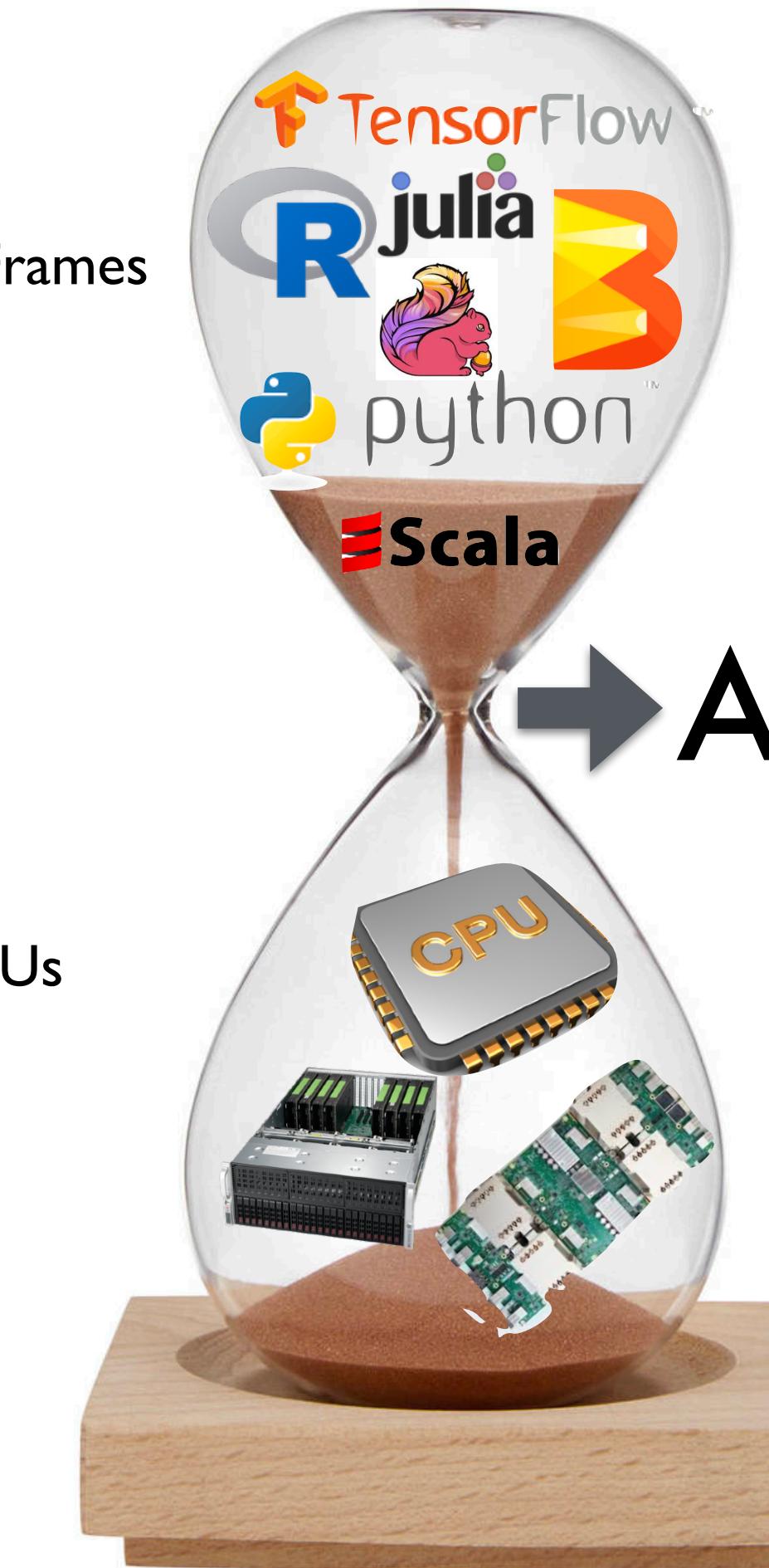
# Intuition



# Arc IR

- Streams
- Tables/Data Frames
- Vectors
- Tensors
- ....

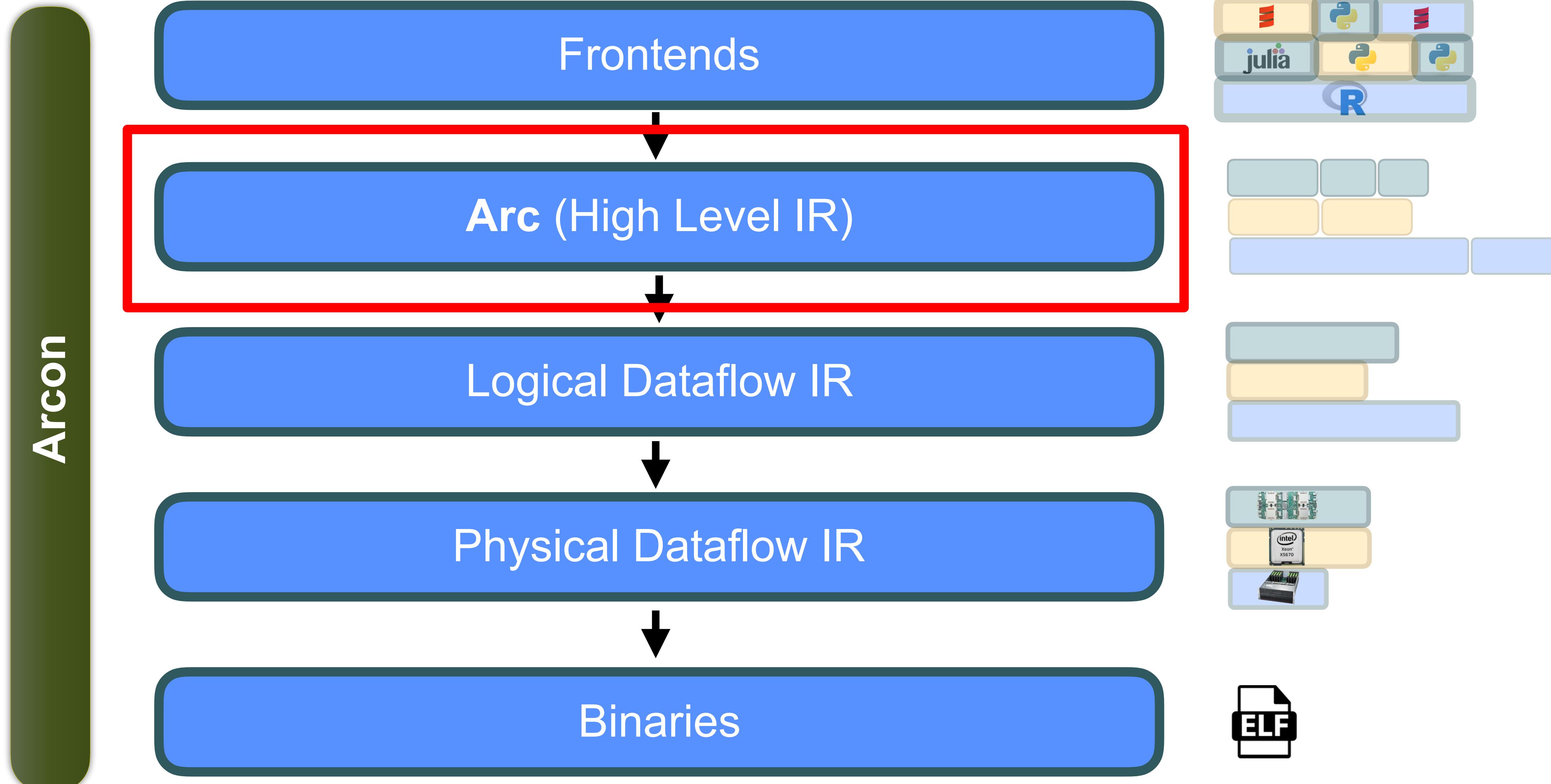
- Multicore CPUs
- GPUs
- TPUs
- FPGAs
- .....



- **Support both batch and streaming abstractions**
- **Sources/Sinks/Operators**
- **User-defined Windows**
- **Out of Order Processing**



# Arcon Compiler Pipeline



# How does Arc work?

The **Weld IR\*** is a subset of **Arc** that supports batch computations

- A restrictive language for describing data transformations
- **Values:** **Read-only** data types (e.g., `vec[T]`, `i8..i64`, `bool`, ...)
- **Builders:** **Write-only** data types (e.g., `appender[T]`)
- Calling `result` on a **builder** returns the associated **value** type

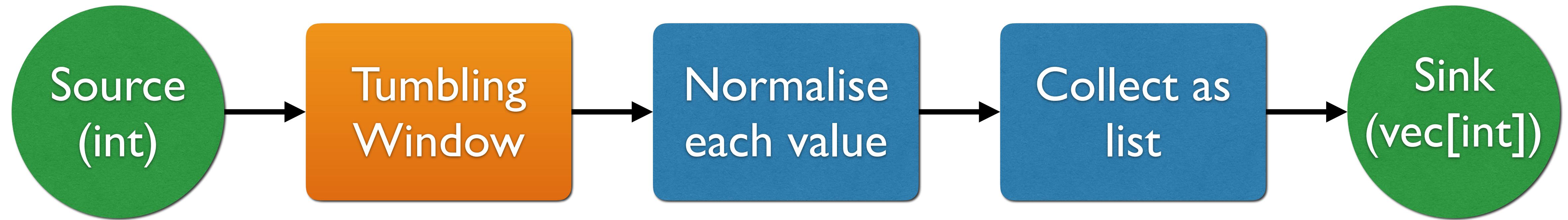
The **Arc IR\*\*** supports both stream and batch computations

- Stream **sources** are **read-only** => **values** (i.e. `stream[T]`)
- **Stream sinks** are **write-only** => **builders** (i.e. `streamappender[T]`)
- Calling `result` on a **sink** returns a **source** and creates a **channel** between them

\* Palkar, Shoumik, et al. "Weld: A common runtime for high performance data analytics." *Conference on Innovative Data Systems Research (CIDR)*. 2017.

\*\* Kroll, Lars, et al. "Arc: an IR for batch and stream programming". In *Proceedings of the 17th ACM SIGPLAN International Symposium on Database Programming Languages*

# Example: Normalisation



Normalise by dividing each element by the average

e.g. for window [4, 2, 2, 8]

... the average is 4

... the output is [1, 0.5, 0.5, 2]

# Frontend code

```
import arc_beam as beam
import arc_beam.transforms.window as window
import arc_beam.transforms.combiners as combiners
import baloo as pandas

def normalise(data):
    series = pandas.Series(data)
    avg = series.sum() / series.count()
    return series / avg

p = beam.Pipeline()

(p
| beam.io.ReadFromText(path='input.txt').with_output_types(int)
| beam.WindowInto(window.FixedWindows(size=5))
| beam.CombineGlobally(normalise)
| combiners.ToList()
| beam.io.WriteToText(path='output.txt'))  
  
p.run()
```

# Generated Arc IR code

```

|source_0: stream[i64], sink_0: streamappender[?]|
let operator_0 = result(for(source_0, windower[unit, appender[?], ?, vec[?]](
    |ts,windows,state| { [ts/5000L], () },
    |wm,windows,state| { result(filter(windows, |ts| ts < wm), () ),
    |agg| result(agg)
),
    |sb,se| merge(sb, se)
));
for(operator_0, sink_0, |sb,se| merge(sb,
    let obj102 = (se);
    let obj105 = (result(
        for(obj102, merger[i64, +],
            |b: merger[i64, +], i: i64, e: i64|
                merge(b, e)
));
    let obj106 = (len(obj102)); ← Count
    let obj107 = (obj105 / obj106); ← Average
    let obj108 = (result(
        for(obj102, appender[i64],
            |b: appender[i64], i: i64, e: i64|
                merge(b, e / obj107)
));
    obj108
))

```

**Stream code (Beam)**

**Global tumbling window**

**Batch code (Pandas)**

**Sum**

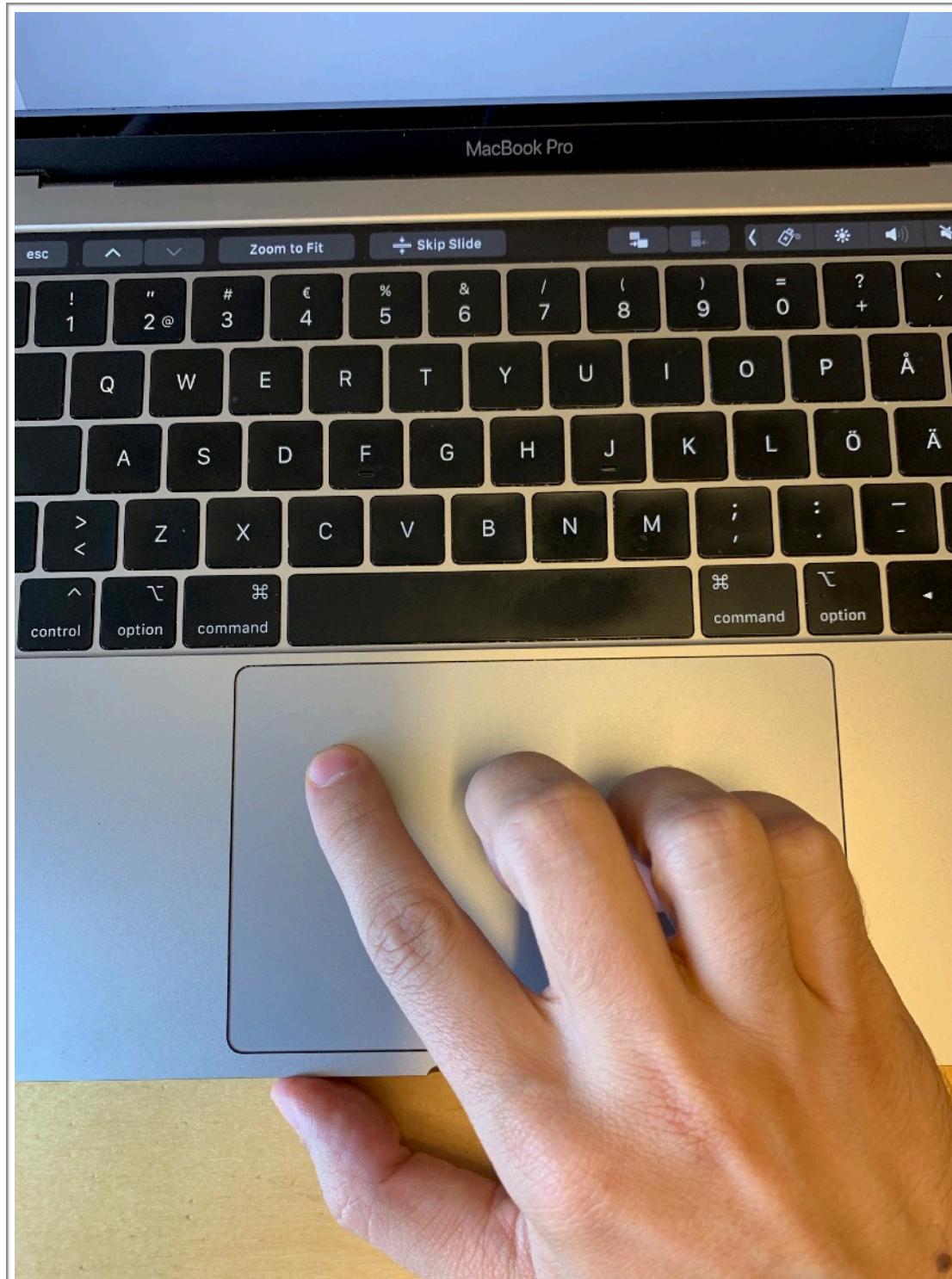
**Count**

**Average**

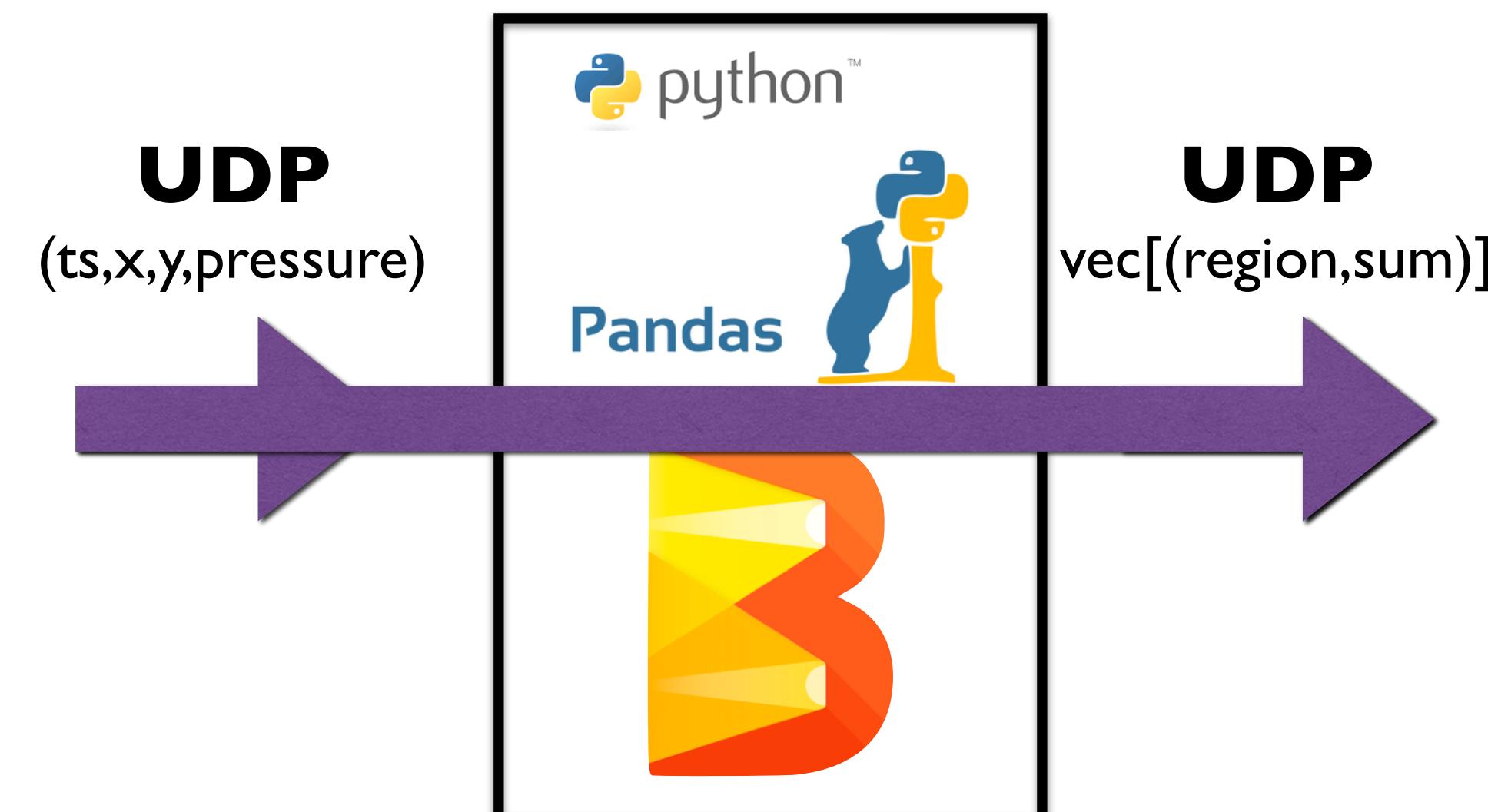
**Normalisation**

# Demo: Touchpad Heatmap

## The Input

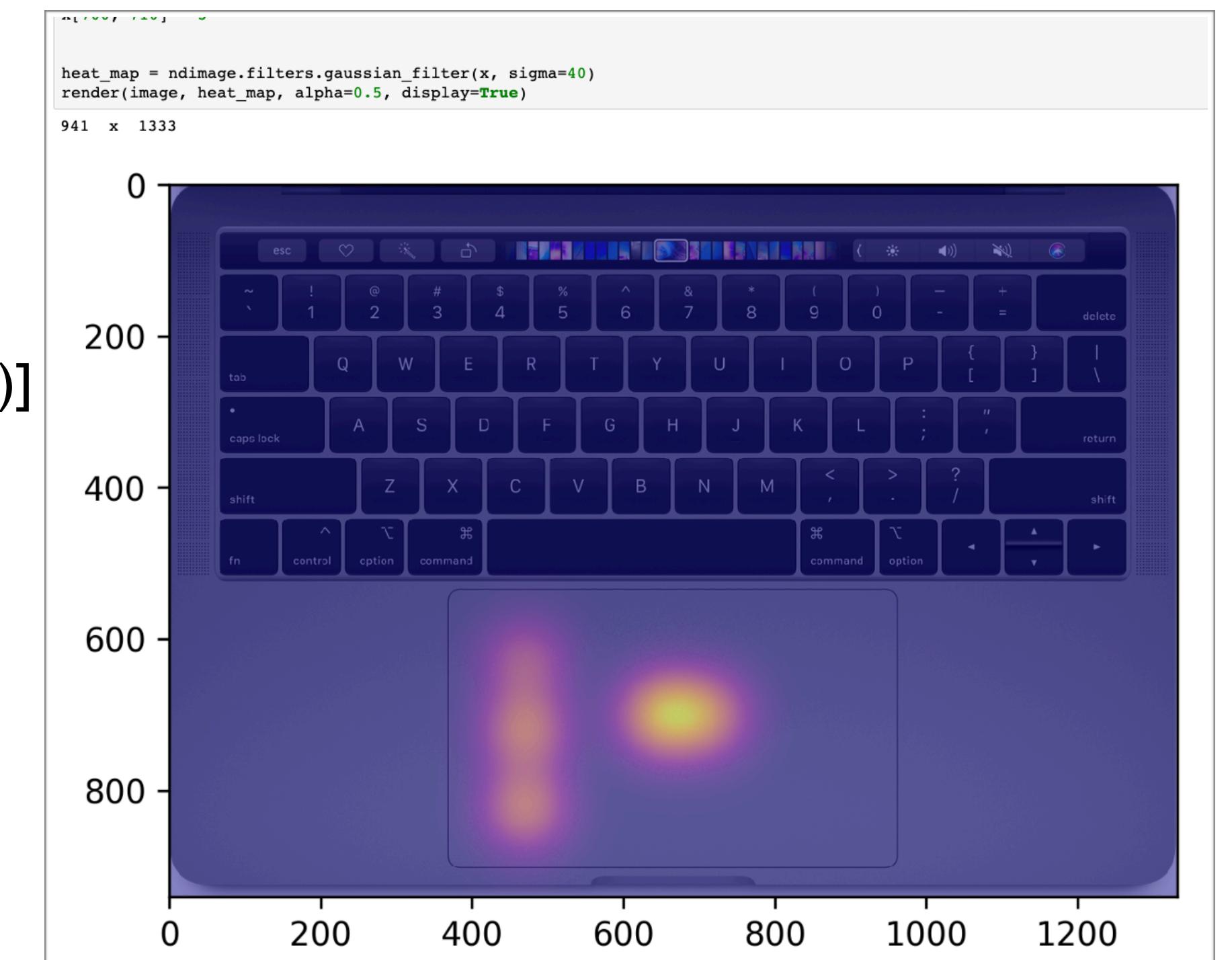


## The Pipeline



- Touchpad is a grid of 5x3 regions
- Event-time window (6 seconds)
- Sum up pressure by region

## The Output



# Touchpad Heatmap Demo

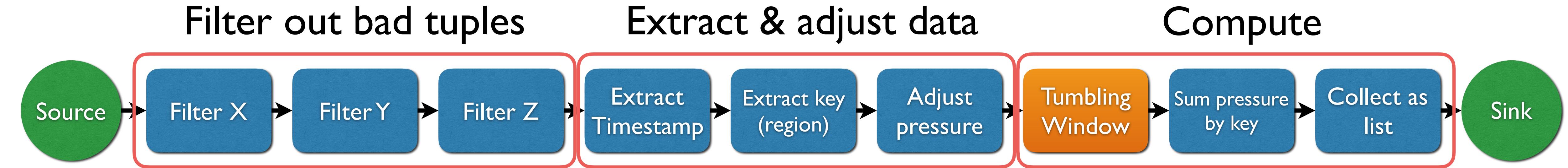
The screenshot shows the Xcode interface with the following details:

- Project Navigator:** Shows the project structure with files like `CocoaAsyncSocket.framework`, `Headers` (containing `CocoaAsyncSocket.h`, `GCDAsyncSocket.h`, `GCDAsyncUdpSocket.h`), `MouseTracker` (containing `AppDelegate.swift`), and `Products` (containing `MouseTracker.app`).
- Editor:** Displays the `AppDelegate.swift` file content:

```
1 //  
2 // AppDelegate.swift  
3 // MouseTracker  
4 //  
5 // Created by Lars Kroll on 2019-08-13.  
6 // Copyright © 2019 Lars Kroll. All rights reserved.  
7 //  
8  
9 import Cocoa  
10  
11 @NSApplicationMain  
12 class AppDelegate: NSObject, NSApplicationDelegate {  
13  
14     @IBOutlet weak var window: NSWindow!  
15  
16  
17     var udpSender: NetSender?  
18  
19     func applicationDidFinishLaunching(_ aNotification: Notification) {  
20         // Insert code here to initialize your application  
21         print("setting up!");  
22         var frame = self.window?.frame  
23         frame?.size = NSSize(width: 505, height: 323)  
24         self.window?. setFrame(frame!, display: true)  
25         udpSender = NetSender();  
26     }  
27 }
```
- Output Window:** Shows the console output:

```
setting up!  
Data sent: Test!  
Did send data!  
594886868,11.1484375,315.83984375,0.0  
  
Data sent: 594886868,11.1484375,315.83984375,0.0  
  
Did send data!
```
- Right Panel:** Contains settings for the file:
  - Type: Default - Swift Source
  - Location: Relative to Group
  - Full Path: /Users/carbone/workspace/mactouchsender/
  - Target Membership: MouseTracker (checked)
  - Text Settings:
    - Text Encoding: No Explicit Encoding
    - Line Endings: No Explicit Line Endings
    - Indent Using: Spaces
    - Widths: 4 (Tab), 4 (Indent)
    - Wrap lines: checked

# Dataflow Graph



# Touchpad Beam Code

```
p = beam.Pipeline()

(p
| beam.io.ReadFromSocket(addr=touchpad, coder=beam.coders.CSVCoder())
  .with_output_types(Tuple[ts, x, y, z])
| 'preprocess'
  >> beam.Filter(lambda e: (e[1] >= 0) & (e[1] <= width))
  | beam.Filter(lambda e: (e[2] >= 0) & (e[2] <= height))
  | beam.Filter(lambda e: (e[3] >= 0) & (e[3] <= max_pressure))
| 'extract timestamp'
  >> beam.Map(lambda e: window.TimestampedValue(value=e[1:4], timestamp=e[0]))
| 'extract key'
  >> beam.Map(lambda e: ((e[0] / grid_width, e[1] / grid_height), e[2]))
| 'add to pressure'
  >> beam.Map(lambda e: (e[0], e[1] + epsilon))
| 'create tumbling window'
  >> beam.WindowInto(window.FixedWindows(size=window_length))
| 'sum up pressures'
  >> beam.CombinePerKey(lambda e: pandas.Series(e).sum())
| 'collect window as list'
  >> combiners.ToList()
| beam.io.WriteToSocket(addr=display, coder=beam.coders.CSVCoder()))

p.run()
```



# Dataflow Graph



Initial pipeline



Fused pipeline

Operators are fused by inlining at the instruction level

# Arc Optimisations

- Arc supports **both** compiler and dataflow optimisations
  - **Compiler:** Loop unrolling, partial evaluation,
  - **Dataflow:** Operator fusion, fission, reordering, specialisation, ...
- Find optimal dataflow graph through constraint model (future work)

# Conclusions & Future Work

- Arc enables cross-compiling and optimising programs from diverse libraries.
- Next steps:
  - Wider support for more frontends, Tensorflow, Flink, etc.
  - Common Pipeline DSL
  - State management for dynamic task graphs
  - Runtime Optimiser and Reconfiguration



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# Extra slides

# Optimisation example

