



Deep Learning Framework Session Opening Intro

What we talk about  
When we talk about  
DL Framework

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# Bio of myself



## How to build interactive viz tools?

- imMens (Database in WebGL)
- Data illustrator @ Adobe Intern

## How to make ML easy to use?

- ML Framework written in Scala
- Interactive ML @ Azure ML Intern

## How to apply ML in production?

- Algorithm-System co-design
- Distributed training/serving
- Resource allocation under SLO

PhD in UC Berkeley



Alibaba Ads Team

# BIDMach: An unusual ML framework

BIDMach: A Scala-written ML framework, developed by John Canny & Huasha Zhao in 2012

Scala: Great tools to make DSL

- Unified structure with compact codebase
- Flexible as C++, Maintainable as Java, Interactive as Python

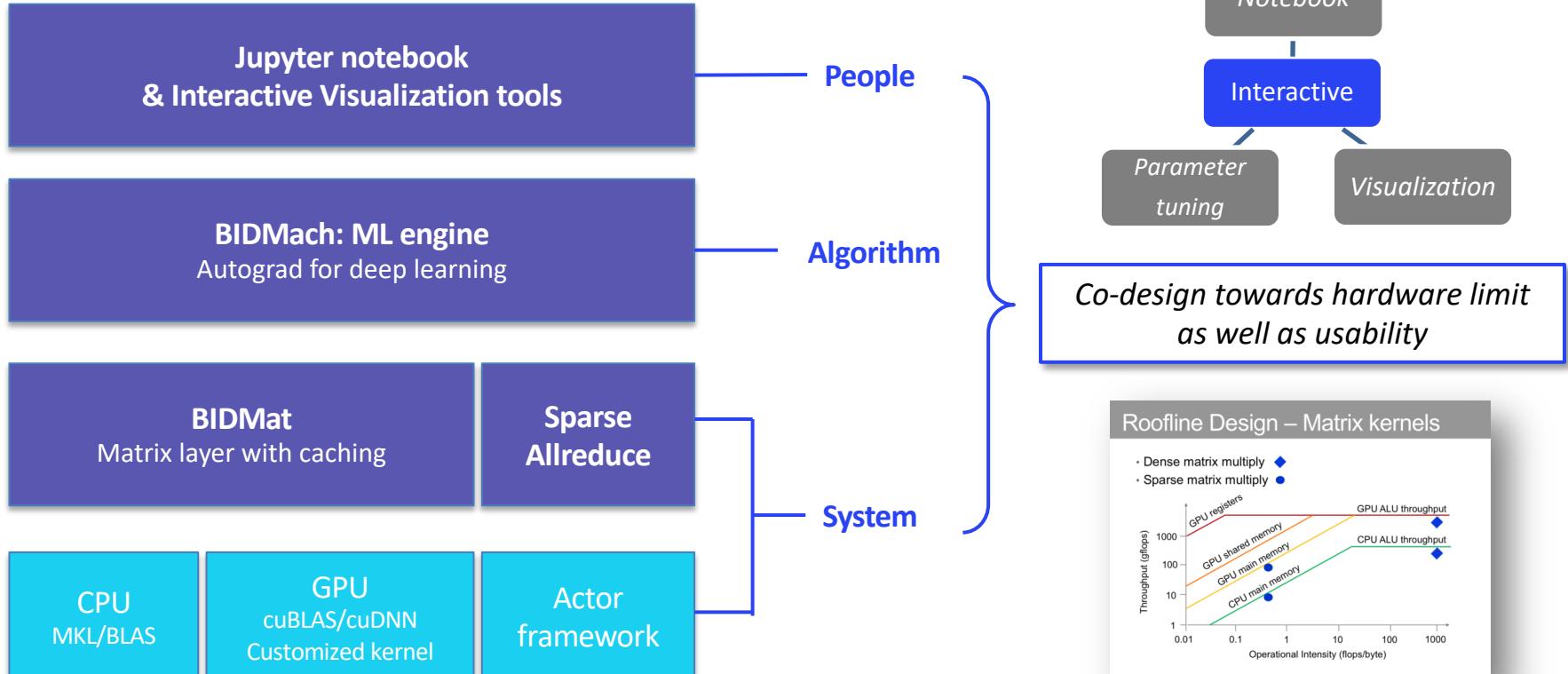


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        val unew = user o (mm * (sdata / preds)) + opts.alpha
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    }
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*LDA e-step code example*

**BIDMACH**

# BIDMach Architecture

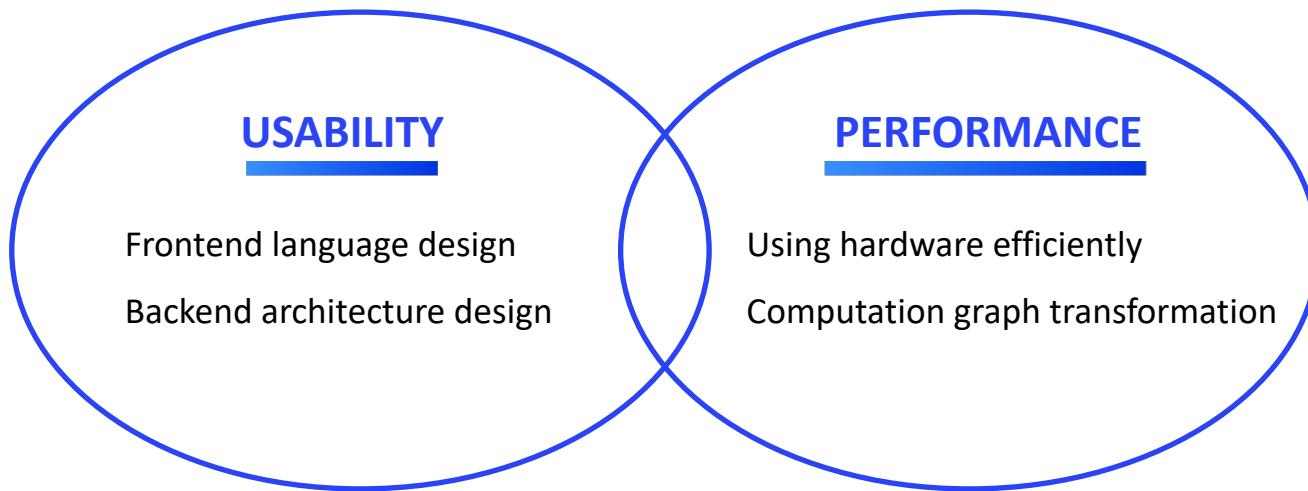


Kylix: A sparse allreduce for commodity clusters. Zhao et al. ICPP 2014  
Extending the Limits of Machine Learning with GPUs @ GTC2015  
Interactive Machine Learning via a GPU-accelerated Toolkit. Jiang et al. IUI 2017

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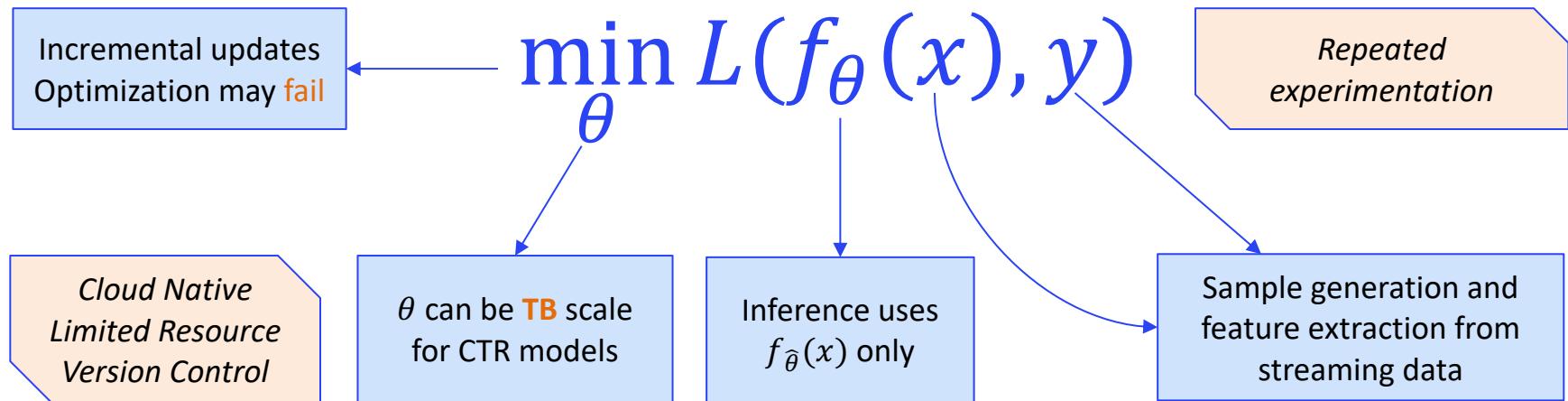
When we are talking about ML framework, we're talking about (at least):

*“A piece of code to solve my problems!!!”*

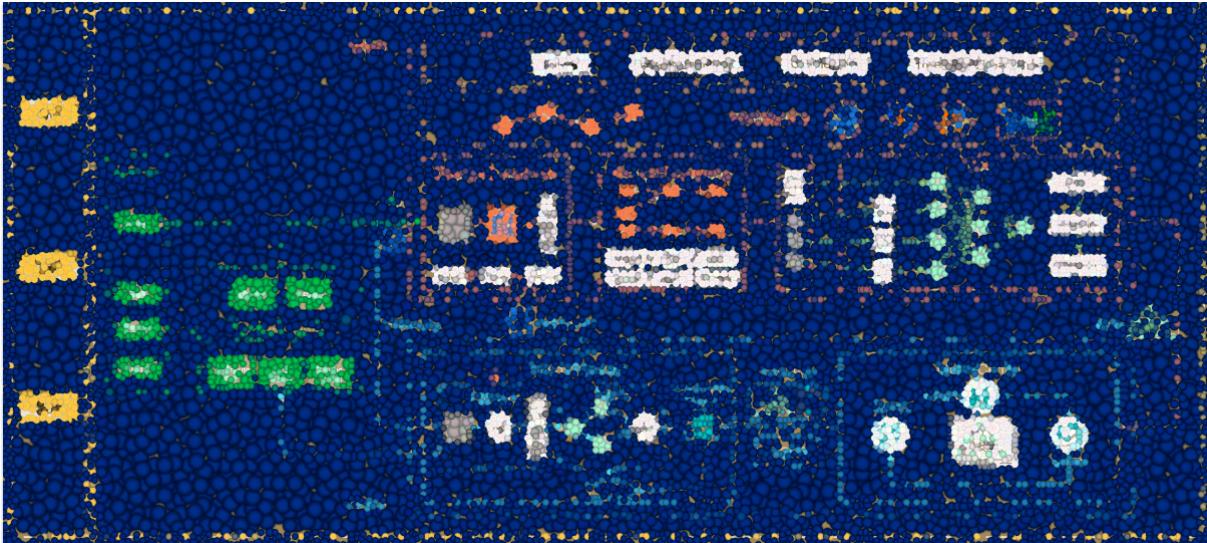


# Moving into Production

- Frameworks like Tensorflow/PyTorch work very well in research
- But how does a “Framework” in Internet industry (Search Engine/Recommendation/Ads) look like?



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How to maintain and optimize such system?

- Co-Design
- Evolution Cycles

Further Talks

- XDL -> *This afternoon*
- Bernoulli (Streaming ML) -> *Flink Forward Asia 2021*

<https://github.com/alibaba/x-deeplearning>

XDL: An Industrial Deep Learning Framework for High-dimensional Sparse Data. Jiang et al. DLP-KDD 2019

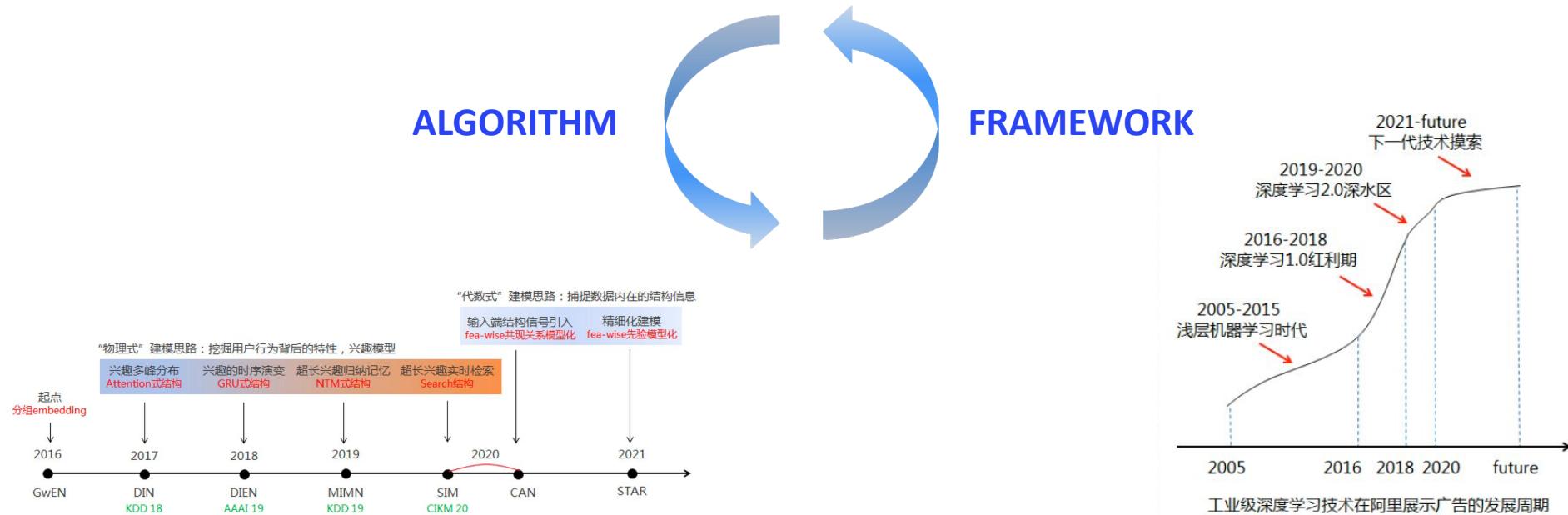
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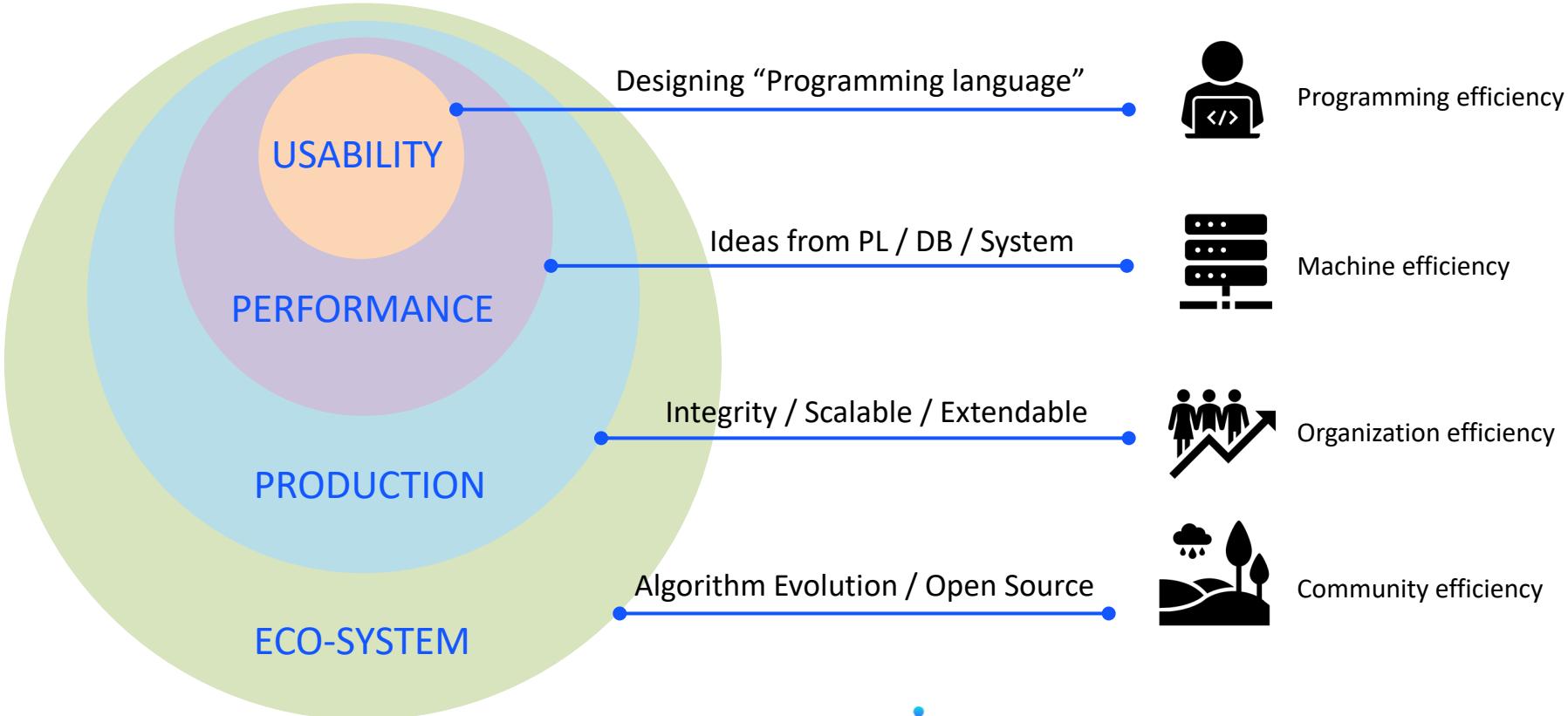
# Framework – Algorithm Co-Evolution

- “The Hardware Lottery”

A research idea wins because it is suited to the available software and hardware



# Summary



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- Programming languages are evolving and require designers to make tradeoffs, so do ML frameworks

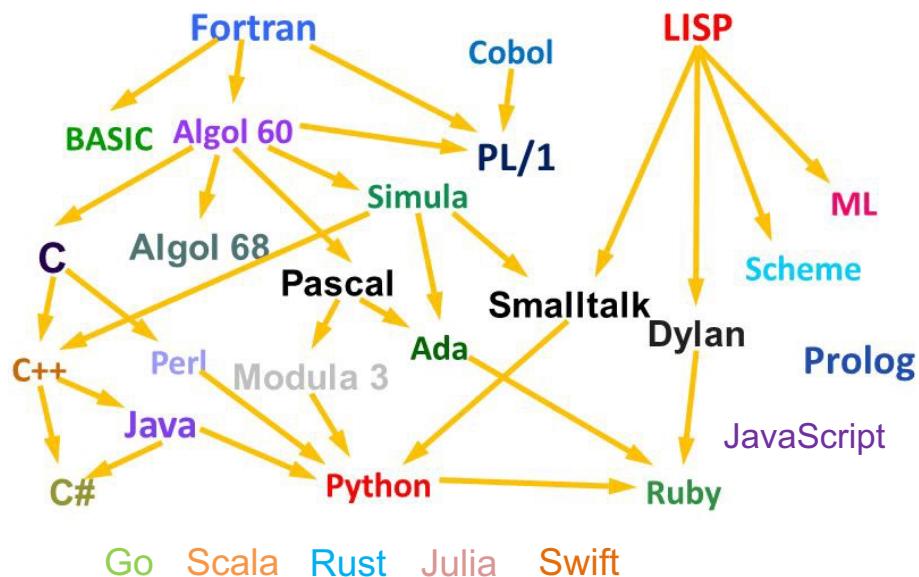


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# 论坛议程



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超大模型的技术挑战与Mindspore的解决思路	华为	姚逸璠
超大模型高效训练的分布式框架Whale	阿里云	王林
飞桨：源于产业实践的开源深度学习平台	百度	蓝翔
MegEngine DTR 技术与训练框架技术创新	旷视科技	许欣然
构建高效易用的图深度学习平台	亚马逊	王敏捷

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