

Network Technical Summit

Cloud Security AI

Inline inferencing for networking functions with Traffic Analytics Development Kits (TADK)

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- Background
 - Cloud security
 - Why AI-based security?
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Cloud Security

Magic Quadrant for Network Firewalls

- Capabilities of network firewalls include:

- Application awareness and control
- Intrusion detection and prevention
- Advanced malware detection
- Logging and reporting

- Reference:

- <https://www.gartner.com/doc/reprints?id=1-27UP5WXW&ct=211102&st=sb>



Why AI-Based Security?

Example: Web Application Firewall

The screenshot shows the Cloudflare website's pricing page for the Business plan. The header includes the Cloudflare logo and navigation links: Solutions, Products, Documentation, Resources, Partners, For Enterprise, Pricing, Log In, Sign Up, and Under Attack. The Business plan is highlighted with an orange border. It lists a price of \$200/month (billed monthly) and describes it as ideal for small businesses. A list of features is shown with checkmarks for included features and crosses for excluded ones.

Business Plan Features	Included (✓)	Excluded (✗)
Everything included in Pro, plus...	✓	Waiting Room traffic regulation
Web application firewall (WAF)	✓	Audit logs
SSL / TLS 1.2 & 1.3 with shared or single custom upload	✓	Customer support via phone
Bot analytics & advanced mitigation	✓	Role-based account control
50 Page Rules	✓	Single-Sign-On support
Minimum edge cache expire TTL at 30 minutes	✓	Network prioritization
Analytics time-range at 15 minute scope	✓	Enterprise Bot Management*
Prioritized customer support: 24x7x365 by chat and email	✓	Layer-3 Network DDoS protection with Magic Transit*
100% uptime SLA	✓	China Network access

■ Rules:

- Open source?
 - Core rule sets (basic)
- Regular expression?
 - The Witcher's Language
 - `\b[A-Z0-9._%+~]+@[A-Z0-9.-]+\.[A-Z]{2,}\b`
- How about encrypted traffic?

Why AI-Based Security?

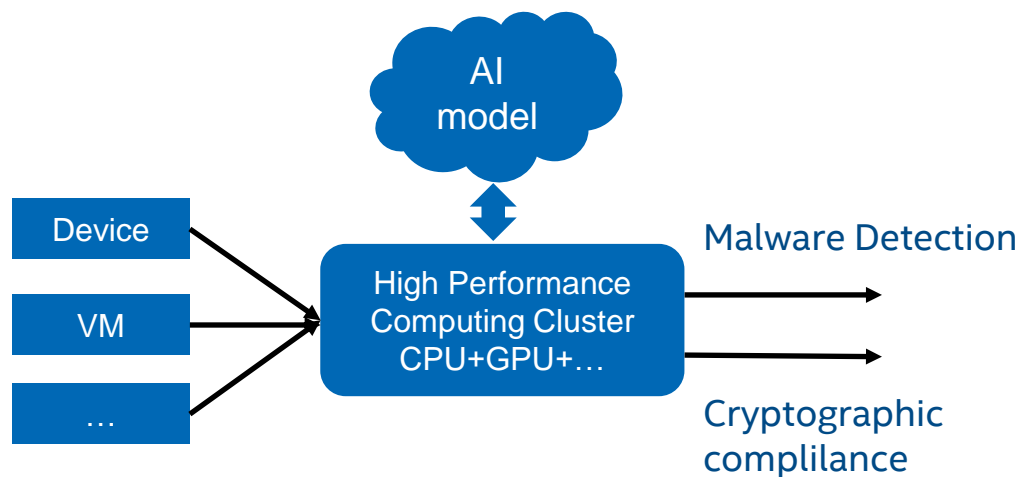


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 - Performance issue/Data
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Why Network AI Deployment So Hard

Performance



- Real time
- How about cloud?
 - Cost?

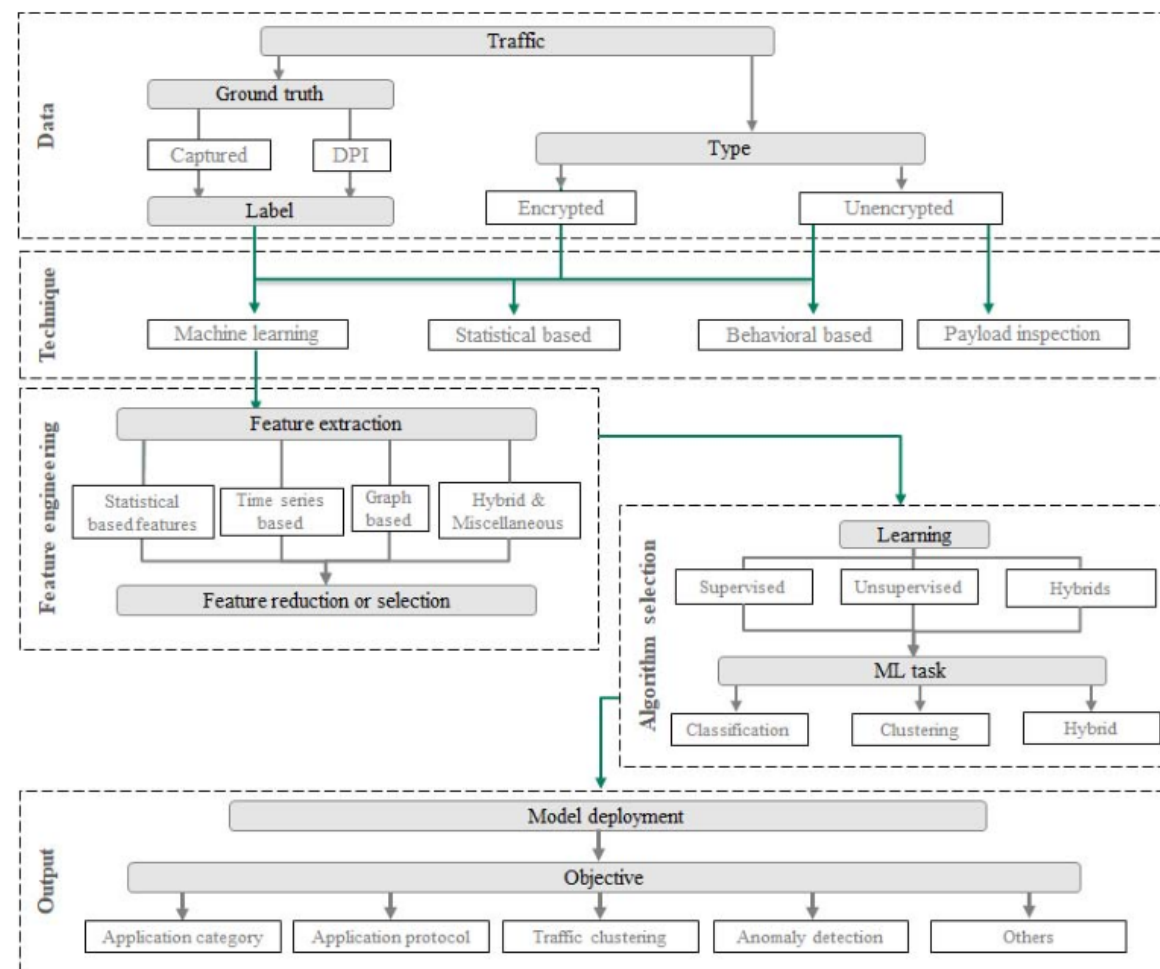
Data

- Different from NLP/Voice/Vision..
- How to collect?
 - Full packets?
 - Performance/Storage
 - Features?
- How to label?

Why Network AI Deployment So Hard

Development Tools

- Traffic data collection
- Feature extraction
- Feature reduction
 - Feature selection
- Algorithm selection
 - Model construction
- Validation



Reference: Towards the deployment of Machine Learning solutions in network traffic classification: A systematic survey

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 - Example: network traffic analytics with AI
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Solution

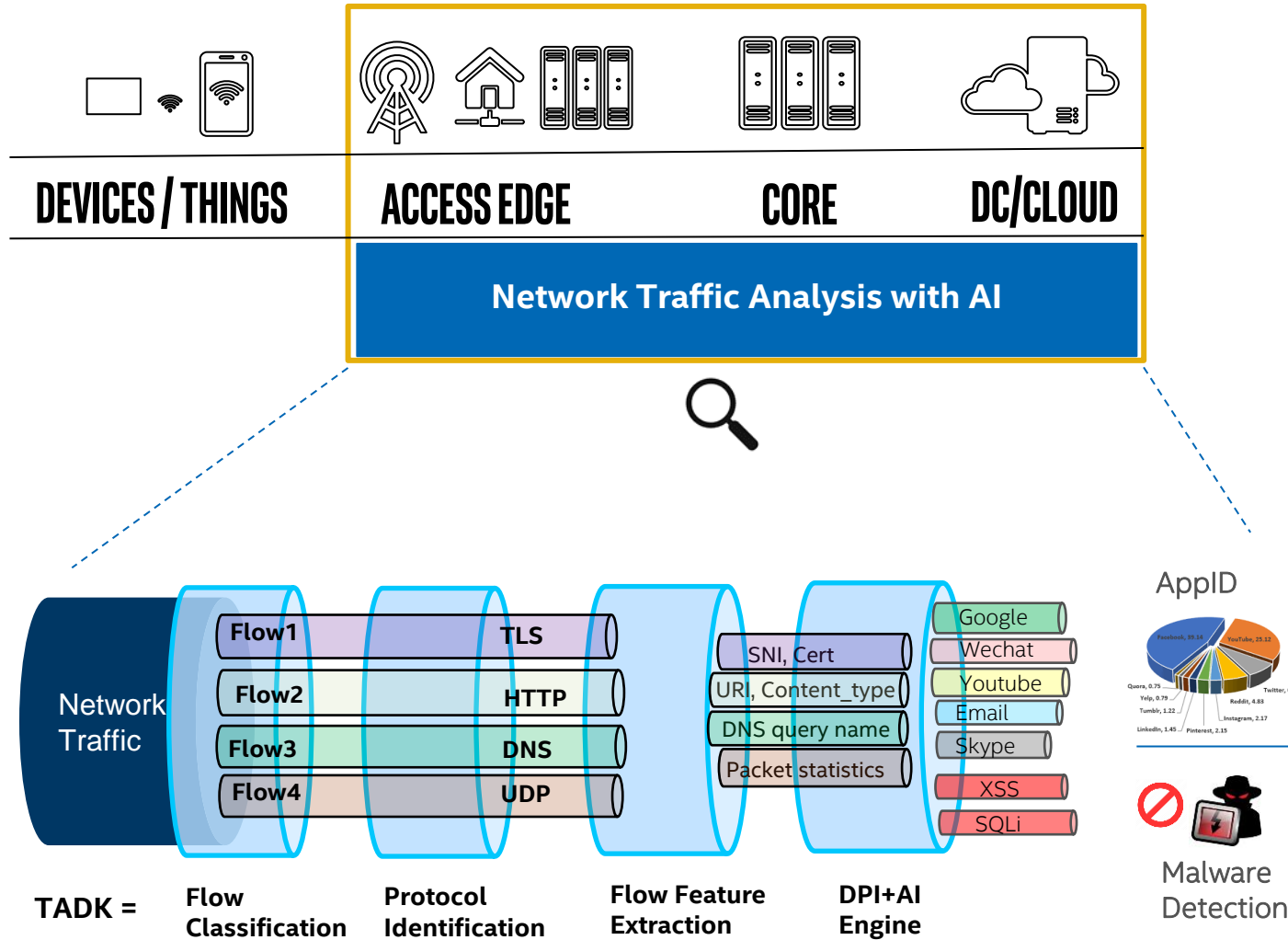
DPDK

- White box equipment/software
 - Packet-level
 - High-performance router
 - Load-balance
 - Switch
 - ...

TADK

- “White Box” Software
 - Traffic-level
 - Traffic classification
 - Traffic probe/Sensor
 - Encrypted traffic analytics
 - Quality of service
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 - Next generation firewall
 - Web application firewall
 - ...

Traffic Analytics Development Kit (TADK)



- Network Traffic Analysis is critical in various workloads such as:

- Content inspection in SD-WAN/CPE
- Next-gen Firewall
- Encrypted Traffic Analysis
- Web Application Firewall
- Network Visualization

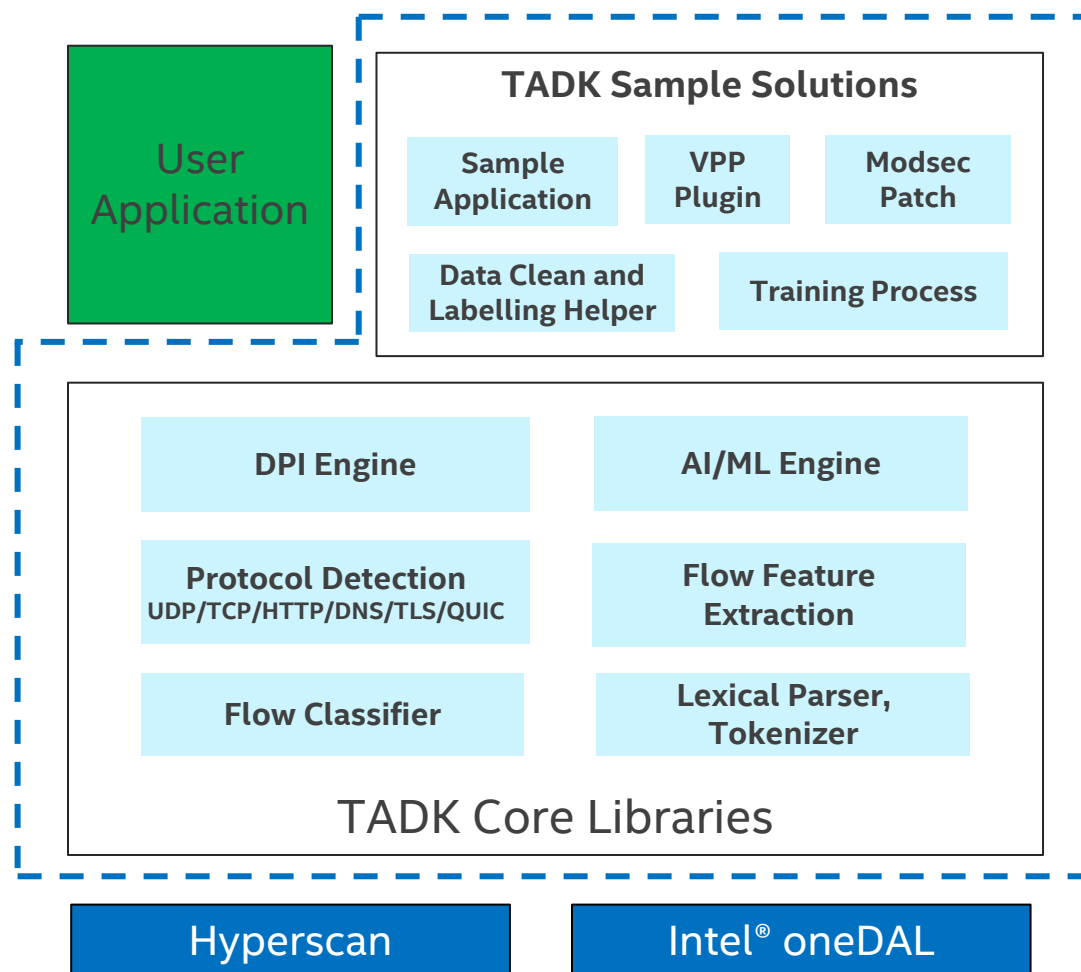
- TADK accelerating traffic analysis pipeline by:

- Rule-based Deep Packet Inspection
- AI and Machine learning

Traffic Analysis Development Kit (TADK): Highly optimized libraries on Intel's platform

Traffic Analytics Development Kit (TADK)

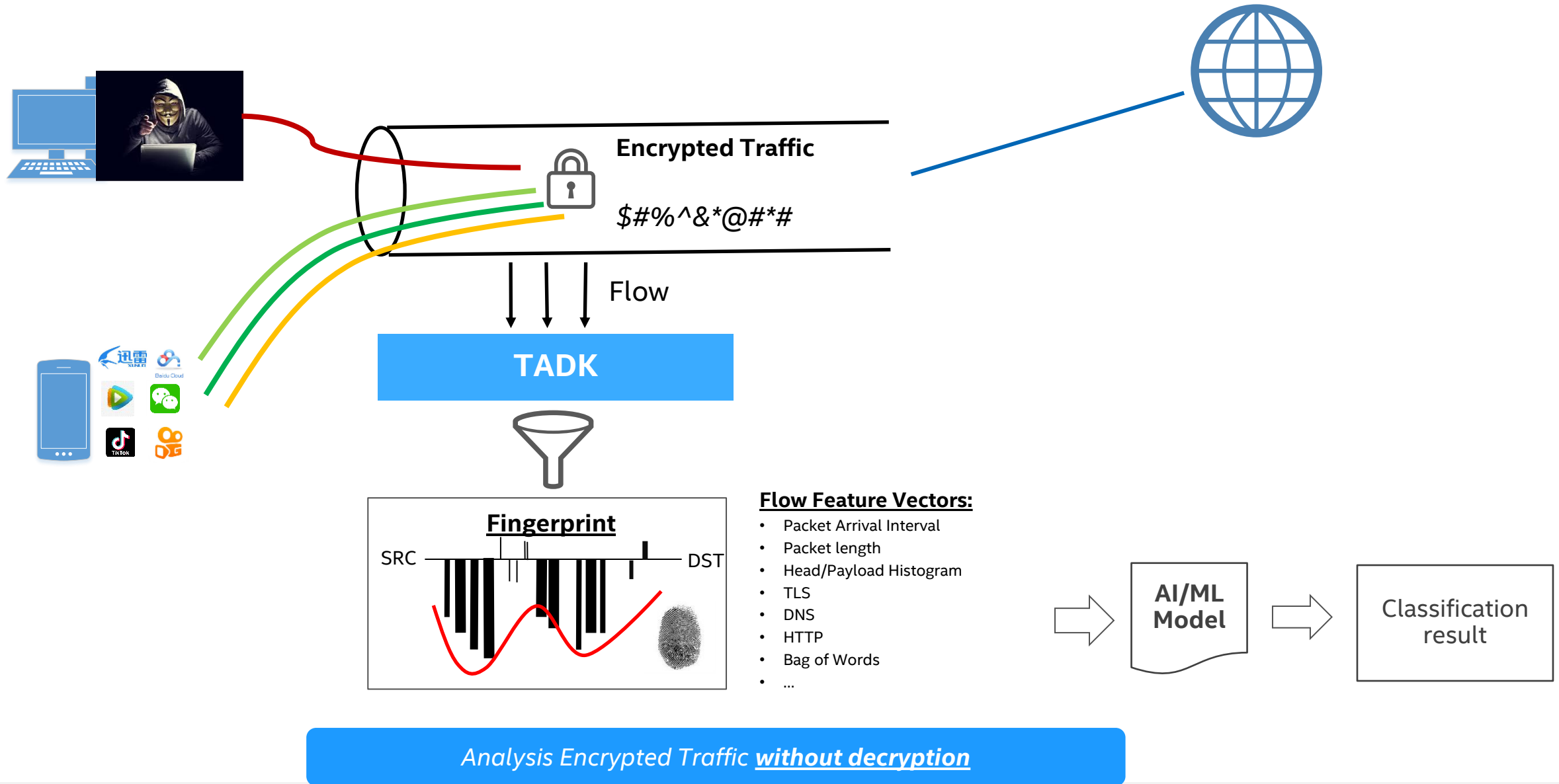
- Provide fundamental building-blocks for Traffic analysis workloads
- Highly optimized libraries on IA platform with modular design
- Support DPI and AI engines



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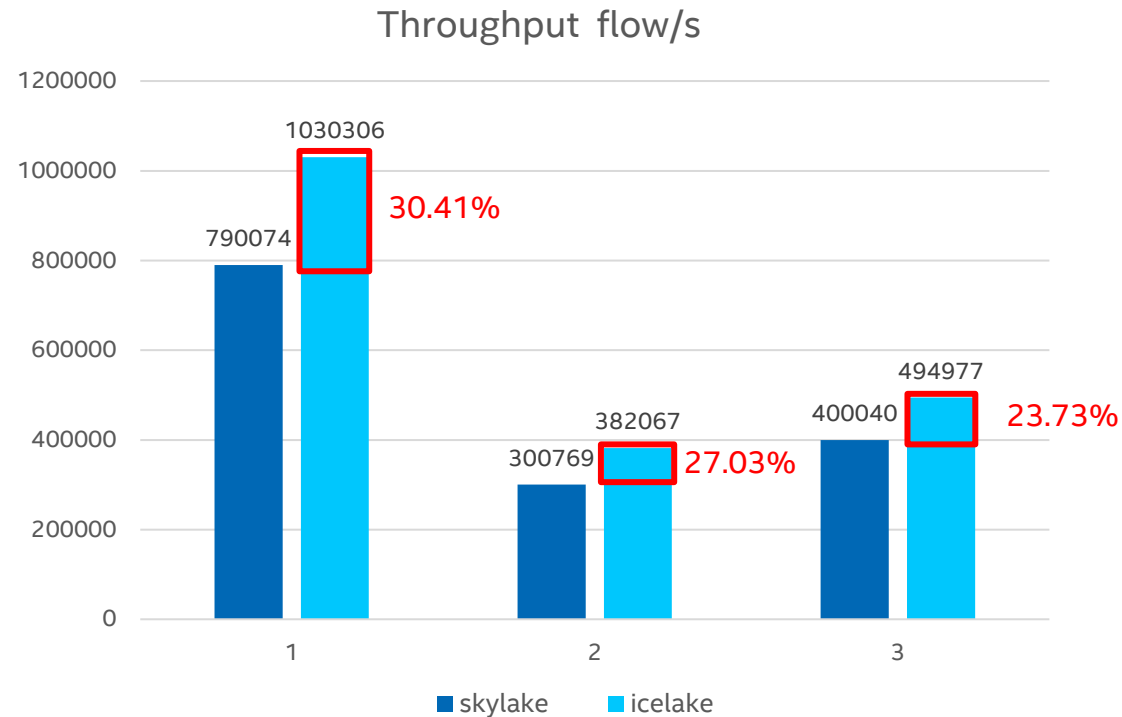
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Example: Encrypted Traffic Analysis



Throughput (Feature Extraction)

- Platform:
 - Intel(R) Xeon(R) Gold 6148 CPU @ 2.40GHz
 - Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8358 CPU @ 2.60GHz
- PCAP:
 - 1 - dns.pcap
 - 2 - http.pcap
 - 3 - tls.pcap



pcap	flow count	packet count	packet per flow (average)	byte count
dns.pcap	25,112	52,589	2	4,895,727
http.pcap	1792	14,320	8	12,806,007
tls.pcap	6341	82,005	13	48,271,549

Example Traffics

flow table + feature extraction + prediction

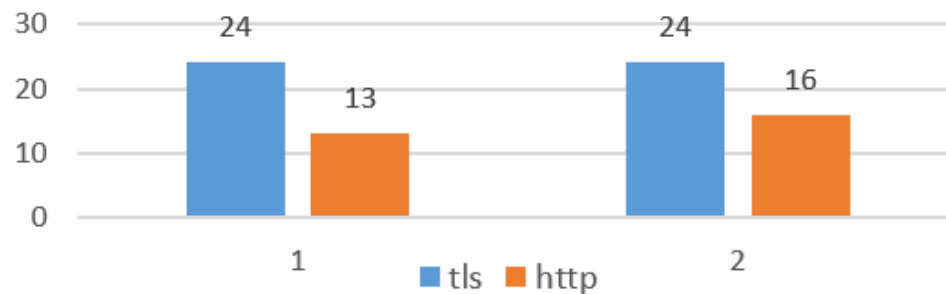
PCAP:

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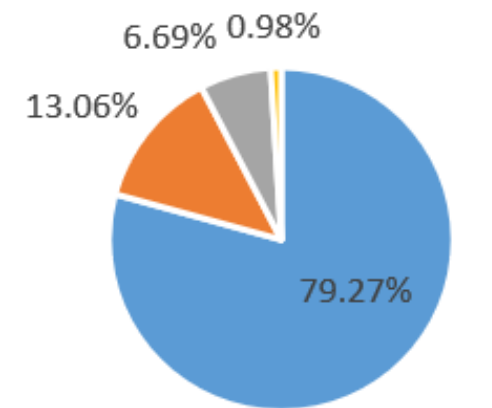
2 - youku.pcap

pcap	flow count	packet count	packet per flow	byte count
wxwork.pcap	1524	21,995	15	5,082,409
youku.pcap	1551	31,071	20	15,474,984

average packet per flow

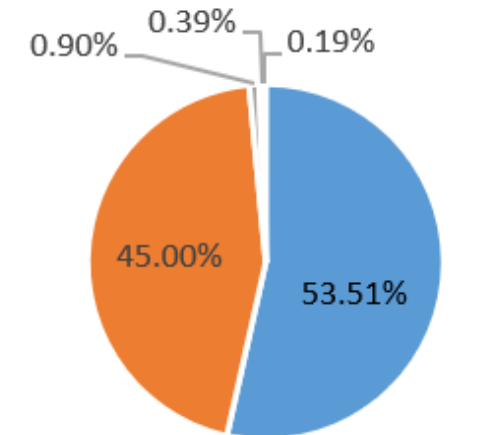


different protocol percent in flow count



■ http ■ tls ■ tcp ■ udp

wxwork.pcap



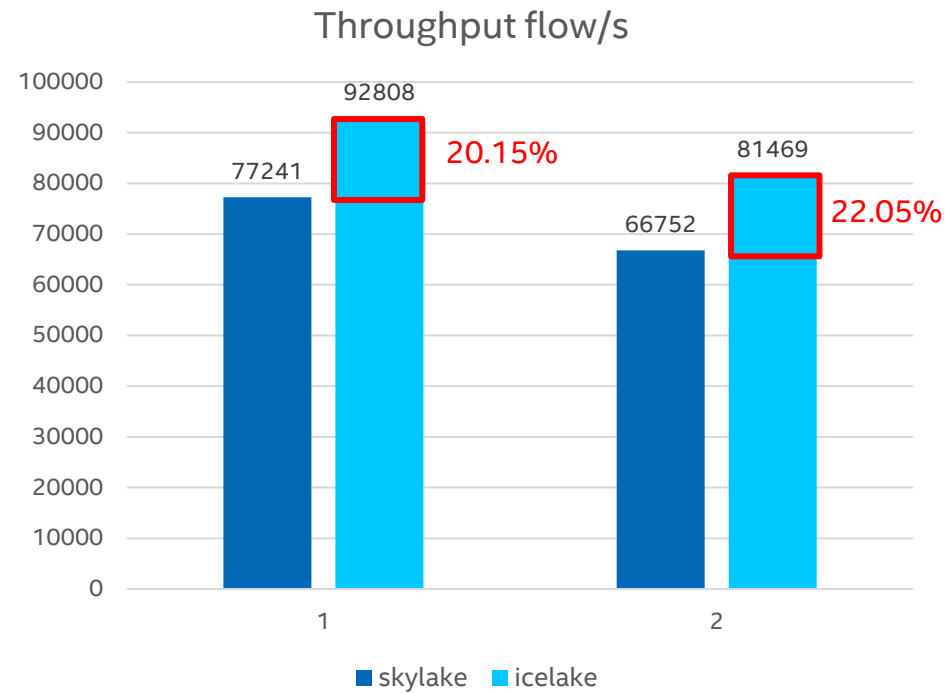
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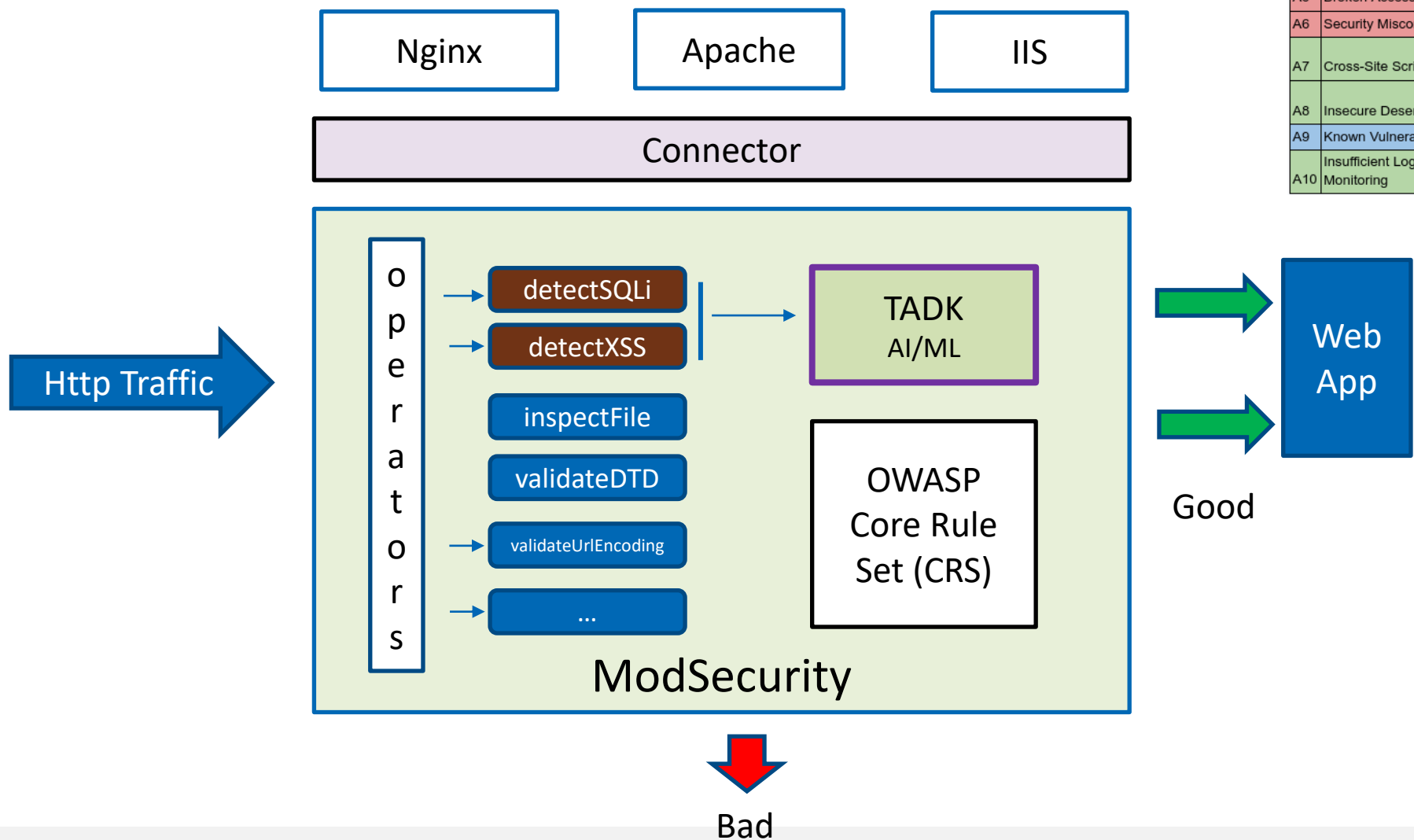
Throughput (Overall)

flow table + feature extraction + prediction

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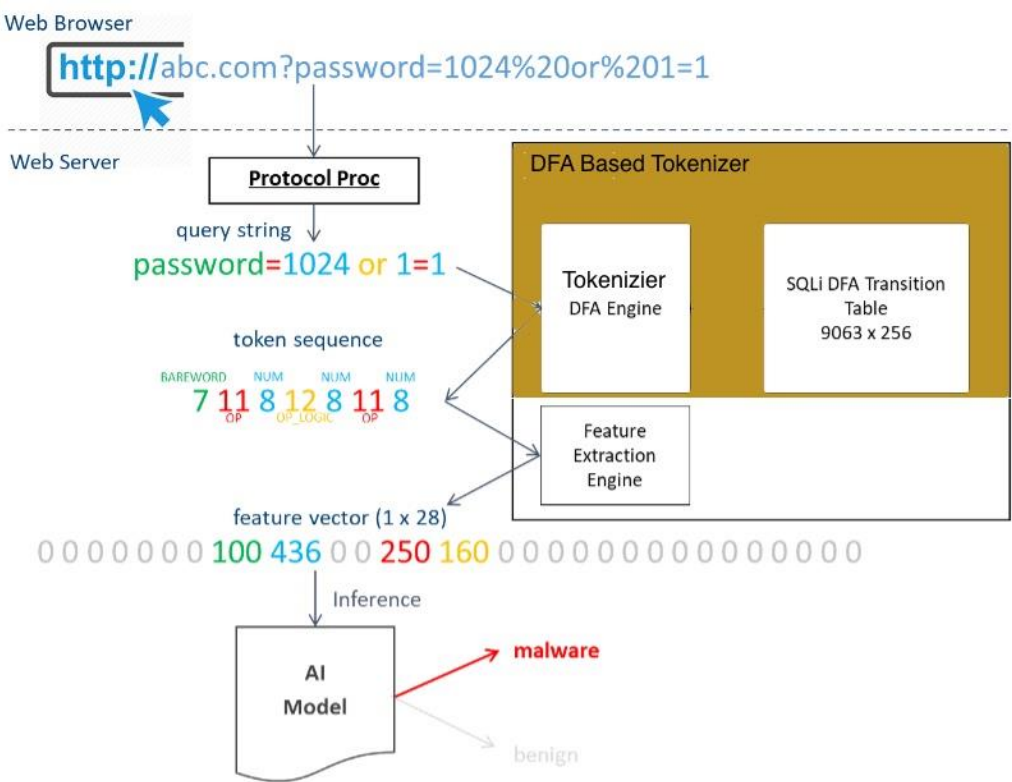


Usage: WAF

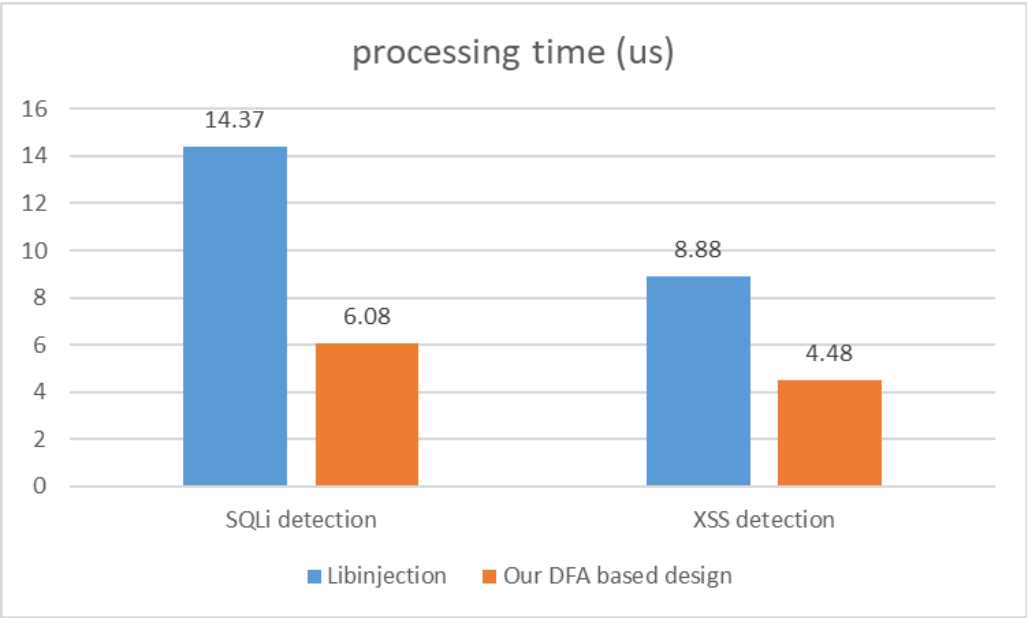


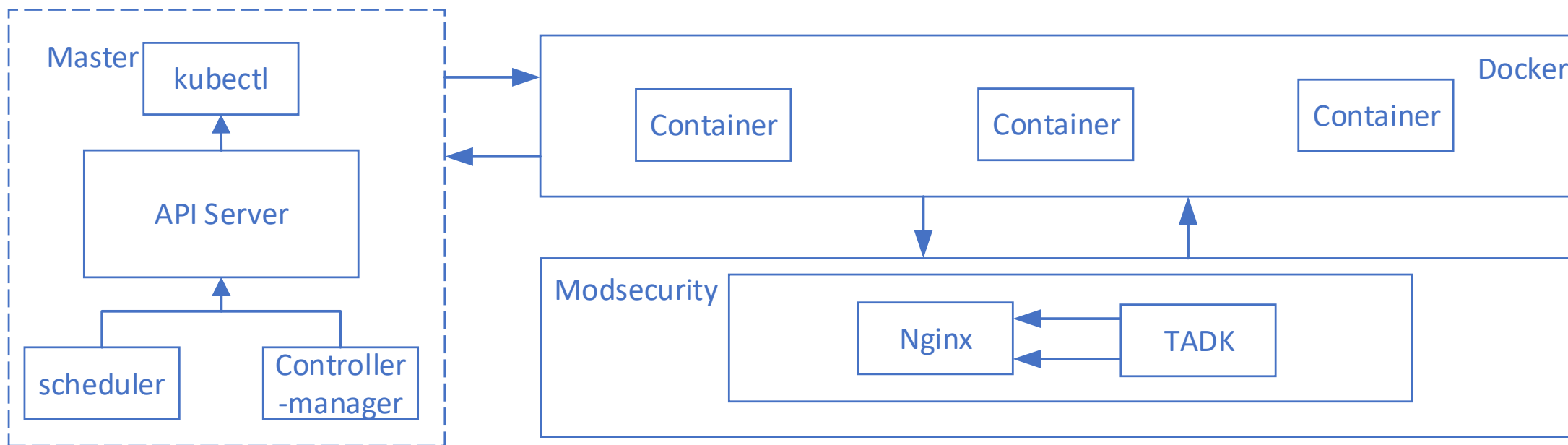
OWASP Top 10 2017		change	OWASP Top 10 2021 proposal	
A1	Injections	as is	A1	Injections
A2	Broken Authentication	as is	A2	Broken Authentication
A3	Sensitive Data Exposure	down 1	A3	Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)
A4	XML eXternal Entities (XXE)	down 1 + A8	A4	Sensitive Data Exposure
A5	Broken Access Control	down 1	A5	Insecure Deserialization (merged with XXE)
A6	Security Misconfiguration	down 4	A6	Broken Access Control
A7	Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)	up 4	A7	Insufficient Logging & Monitoring
A8	Insecure Deserialization	up 3 + A4	A8	NEW: Server Side Request Forgery (SSRF)
A9	Known Vulnerabilities	as is	A9	Known Vulnerabilities
A10	Insufficient Logging & Monitoring	up 3	A10	Security Misconfiguration

HTTP Feature Extraction



Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8358 CPU
feature extraction + prediction





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new@new-S2600STQ:~/container-experience-kits$ sudo kubectl get all -n modsec-tadk -o wide ;
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NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE	IP	NODE	NOMINATED	NODE	READINESS	GATES
pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-7747m	1/1	Running	0	24s	10.244.0.134	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	
pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-9v72g	1/1	Running	0	24s	10.244.0.128	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	
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pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-n6hnn	1/1	Running	0	24s	10.244.0.129	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	
pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-p7dfr	1/1	Running	0	17h	10.244.0.125	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	
pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-xkj2m	1/1	Running	0	24s	10.244.0.132	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	
pod/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9-xqgsg	1/1	Running	0	24s	10.244.0.133	new-s2600stq	<none>		<none>	

NAME	TYPE	CLUSTER-IP	EXTERNAL-IP	PORT(S)	AGE	SELECTOR
service/tadk-intel-tadkchart	NodePort	10.101.24.56	<none>	8005:31412/TCP	17h	app.kubernetes.io/instance=tadk-intel,app.kubernetes.io/name=tadkchart

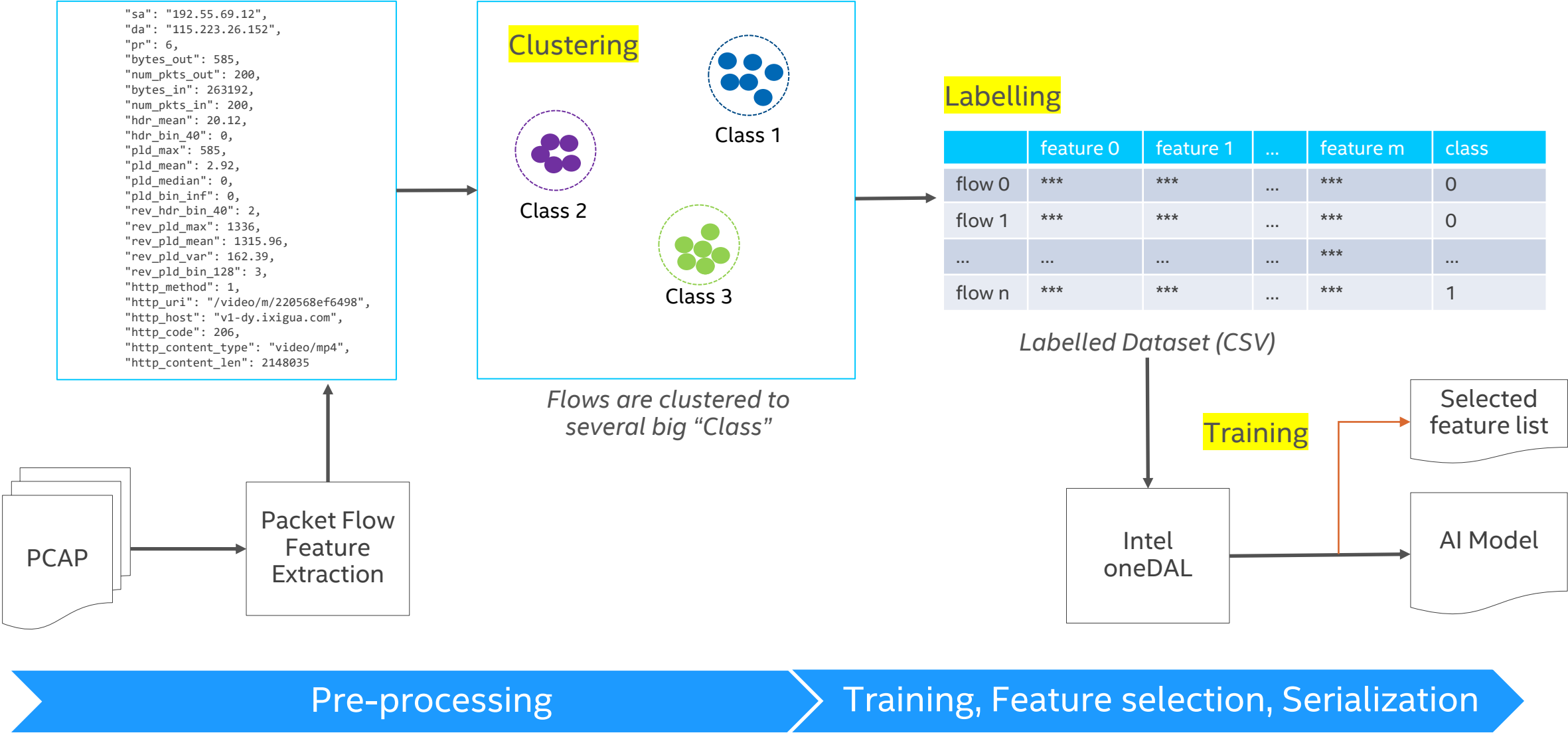
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deployment.apps/tadk-intel-tadkchart	10/10	10	10	17h	tadkchart	localhost:30500/tadk-image:v21.08.2	app.kubernetes.io/instance=tadk-intel,app.kubernetes.io/name=tadkchart

NAME	DESIRED	CURRENT	READY	AGE	CONTAINERS	IMAGES	SELECTOR
replicaset.apps/tadk-intel-tadkchart-7594bd49b9	10	10	10	17h	tadkchart	localhost:30500/tadk-image:v21.08.2	app.kubernetes.io/instance=tadk-intel,app.kubernetes.io/name=tadkchart,pod-template-hash=7594bd49b9

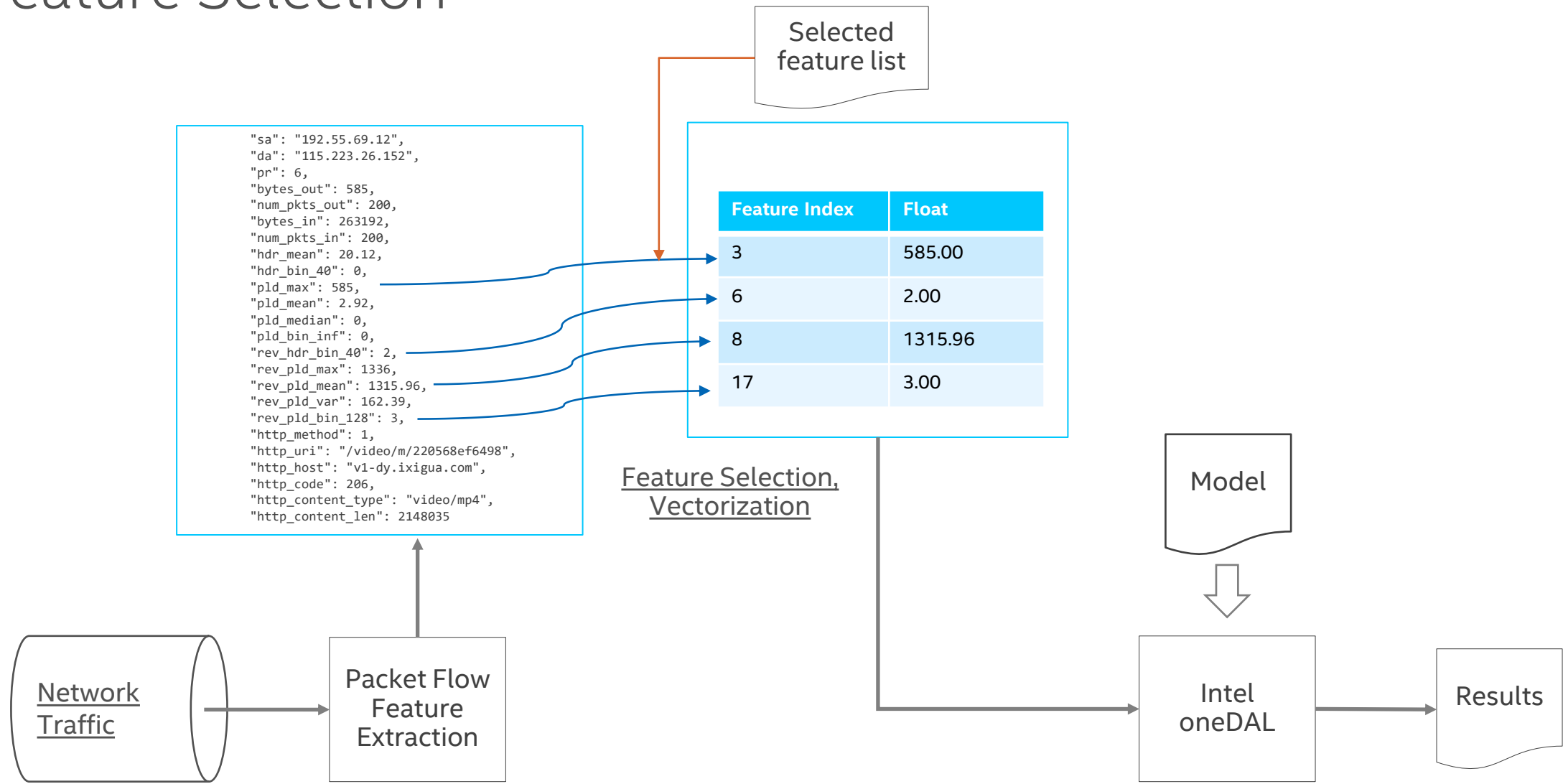
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Labeling Helper



Feature Selection

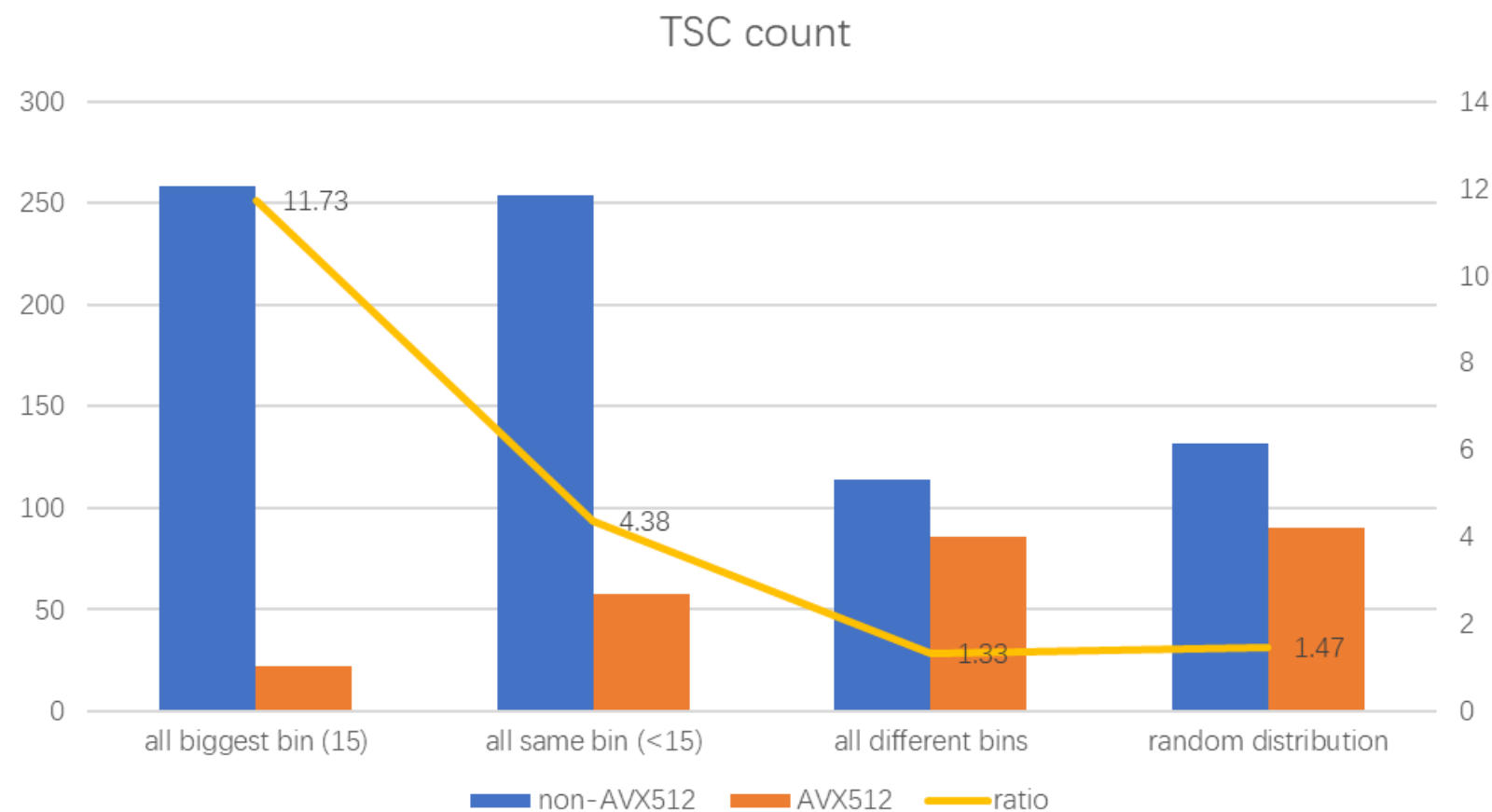


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Histogram calculation performance w/ AVX512

48 packets, 100000 loops



Conclusion

■ TADK

- A toolbox for building network AI applications
 - Traffic classification
 - Web application firewall
 - Intrusion detection
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- High-performance
 - Fully SIMD optimized
- Flexible
 - Customize

- Reference samples provided
 - Probe
 - Nginx/ModSecurity plugin
- Easy deployment

Q&A

