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# ADDING VOICE RECOGNITION TO YOUR ANDROID APP

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# DEMO



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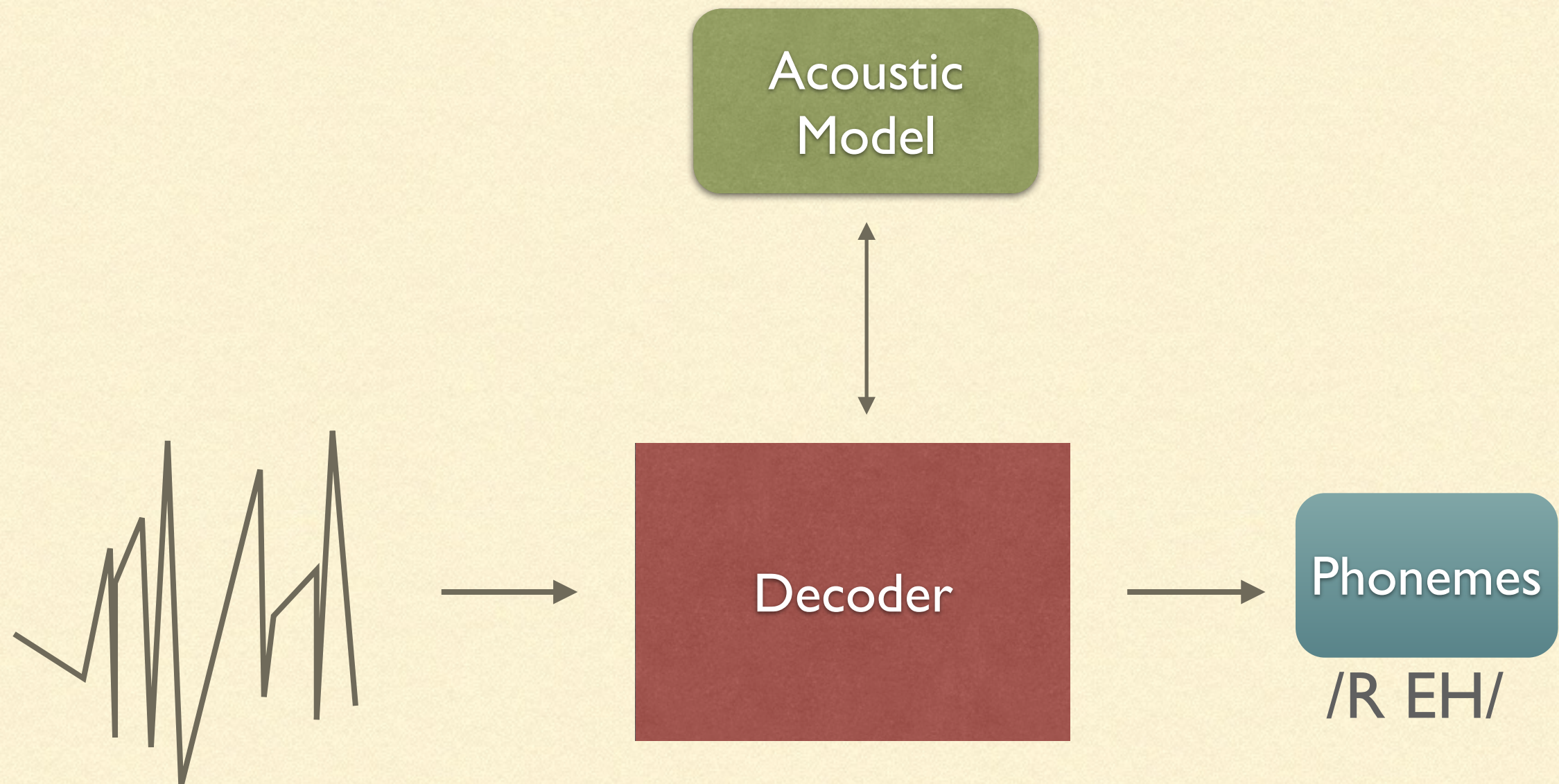
# WHY DO I CARE?

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- Because it's cool!
- There are situations where using your hands can be impossible or dangerous
- Improve user experience
- Disabled people

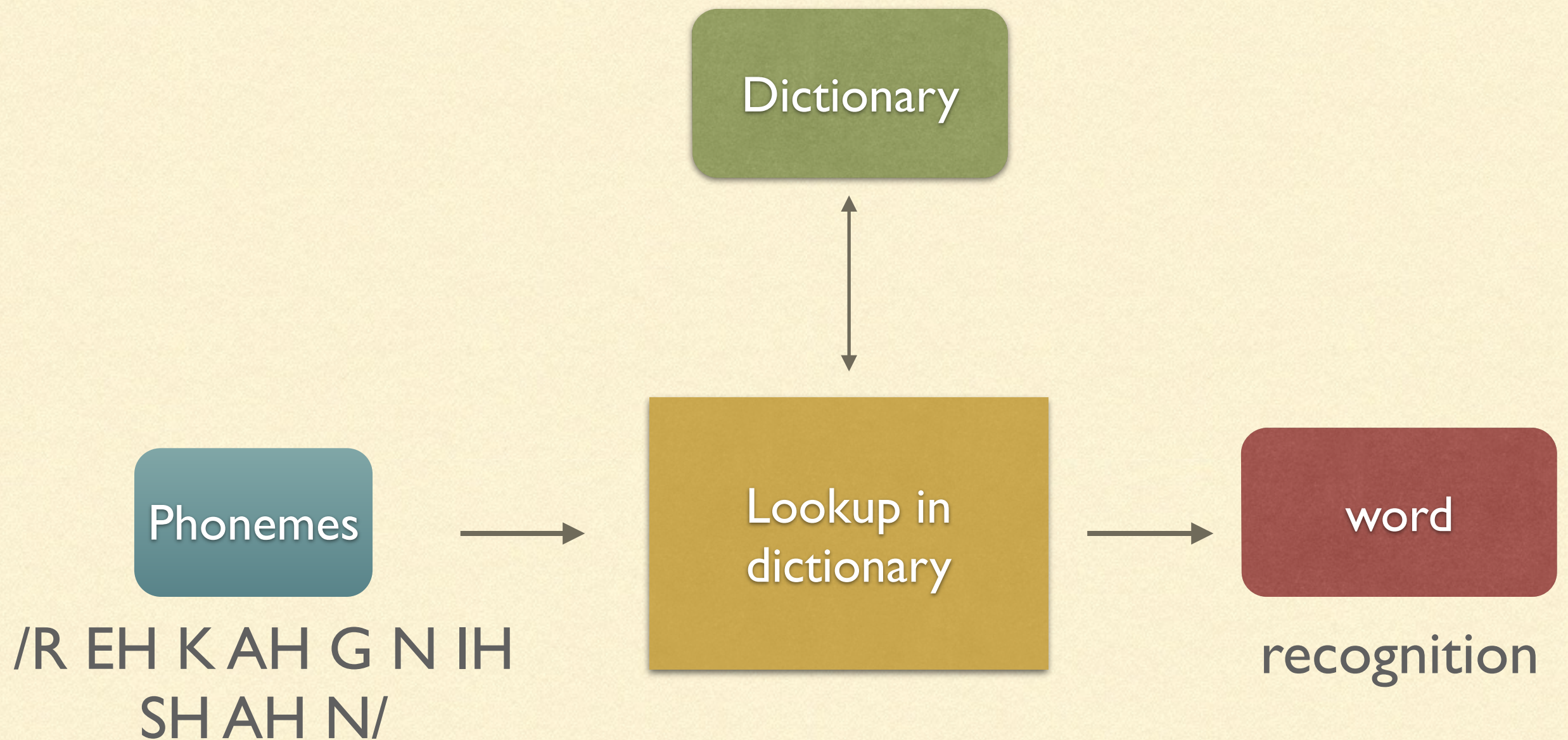


# THE BASICS





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# BUT... IT LOOKS VERY HARD!

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- I will need to be a speech recognition expert, and I already have enough with Android!
- I will need to learn about signal processing and stuff !!



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# MOST POPULAR API'S

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- CMU's Pocket Sphinx
- Google Speech Api
- Nuance
- Others: Wit AI, AT&T, etc



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# CMU'S POCKET SPHINX

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- On device speech recognizer
- Limited dictionary
- Small acoustic model



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# GOOGLE SPEECH API

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- Cloud based speech recognizer
- Free
- Bigger acoustic model
- Bigger dictionary
- Constantly being trained



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# NUANCE SPEECH API

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- Cloud based speech recognizer
- Free version has limited number of transactions
- Slower compared to Google Speech API
- Bigger acoustic model
- Bigger dictionary
- Constantly being trained



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# CONTINUOUS LISTENING

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take picture

take picture

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# CHALLENGES

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## Pocket Sphinx:

- not very accurate



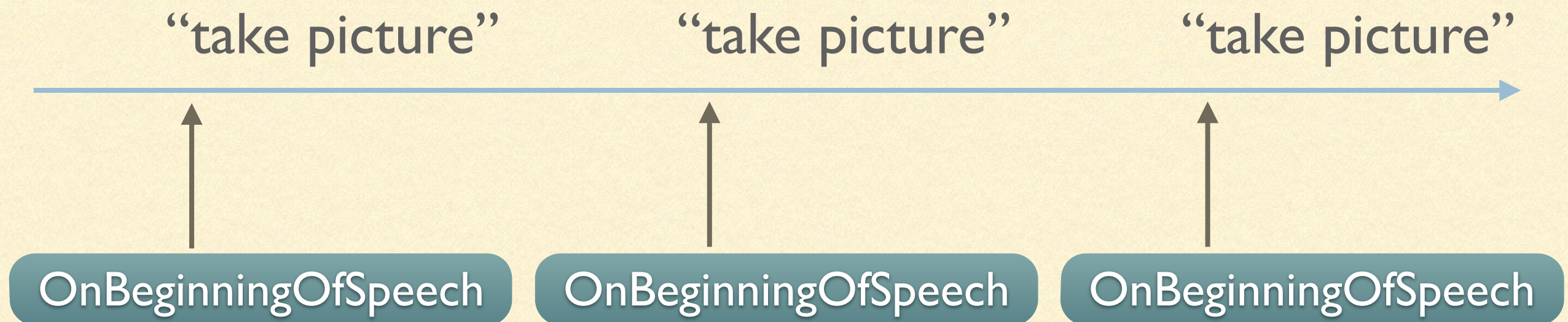
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# CHALLENGES

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## Google Speech API:

- beep at start (good and bad)

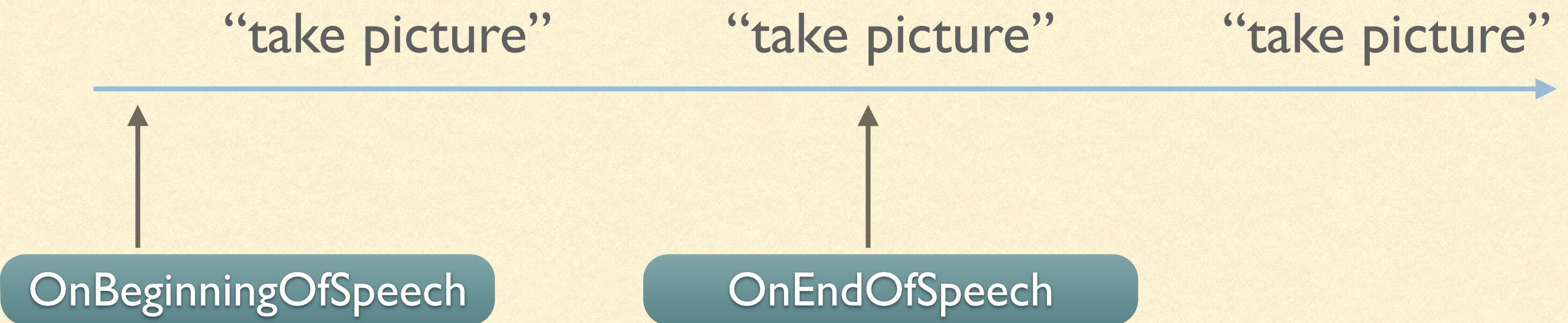




# CHALLENGES

## Nuance Speech API:

- start and stop of speech not necessarily in sync

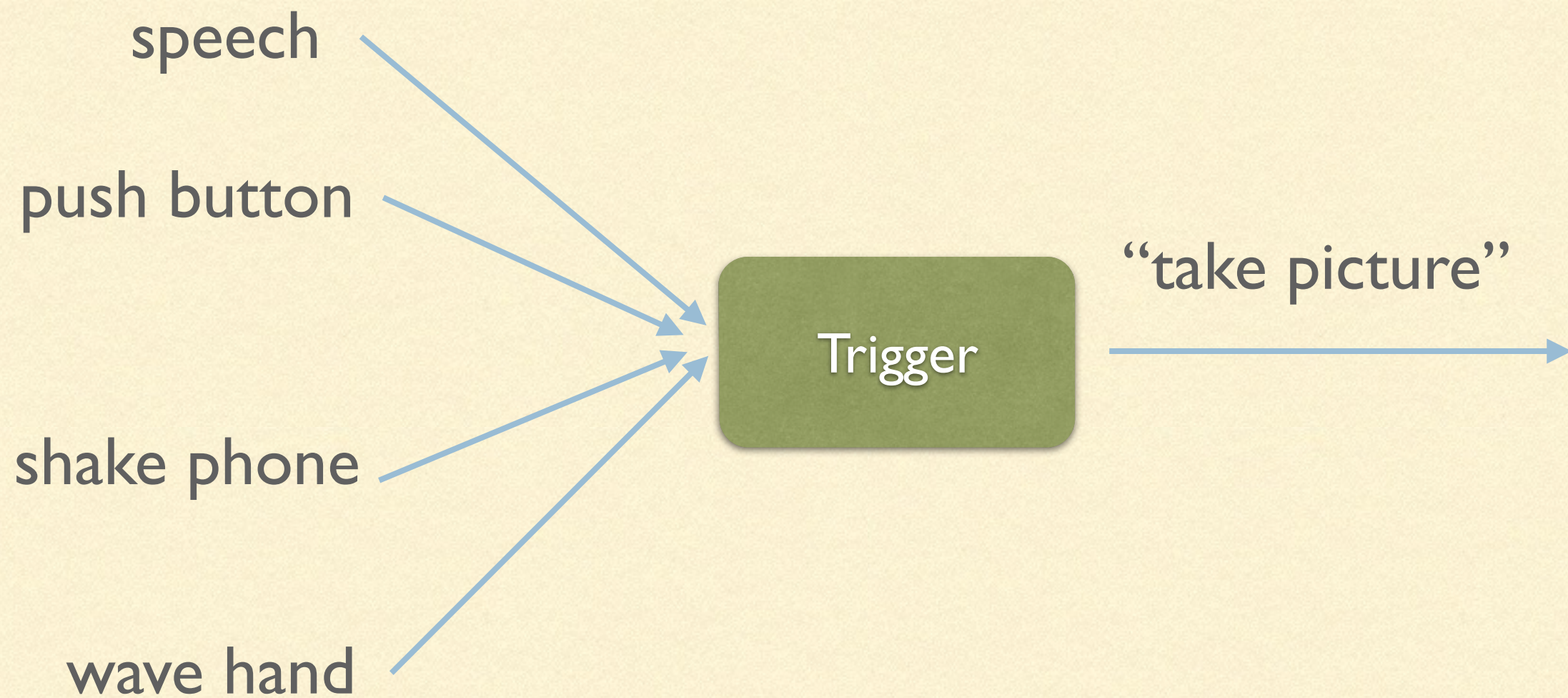




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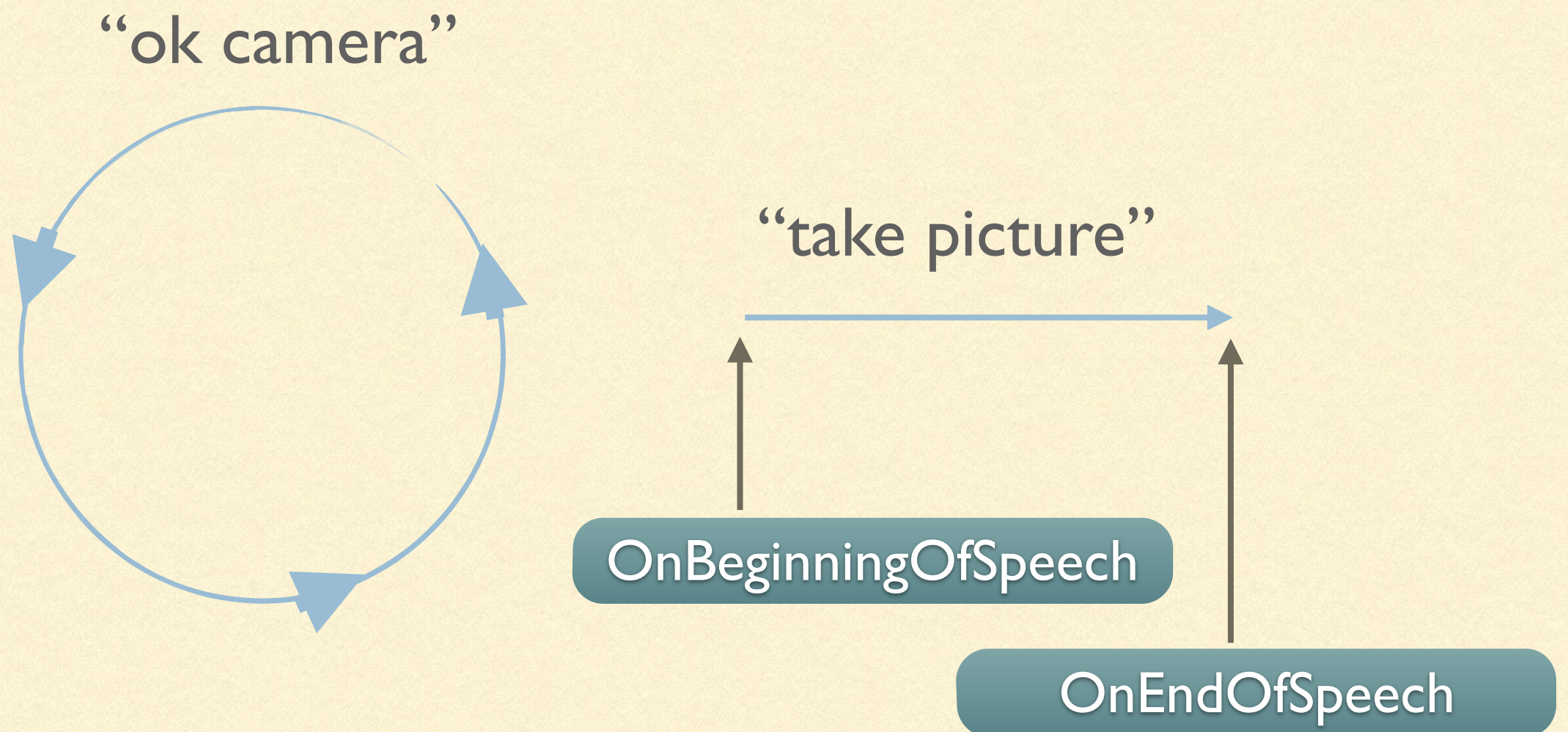
# NON-CONTINUOUS LISTENING

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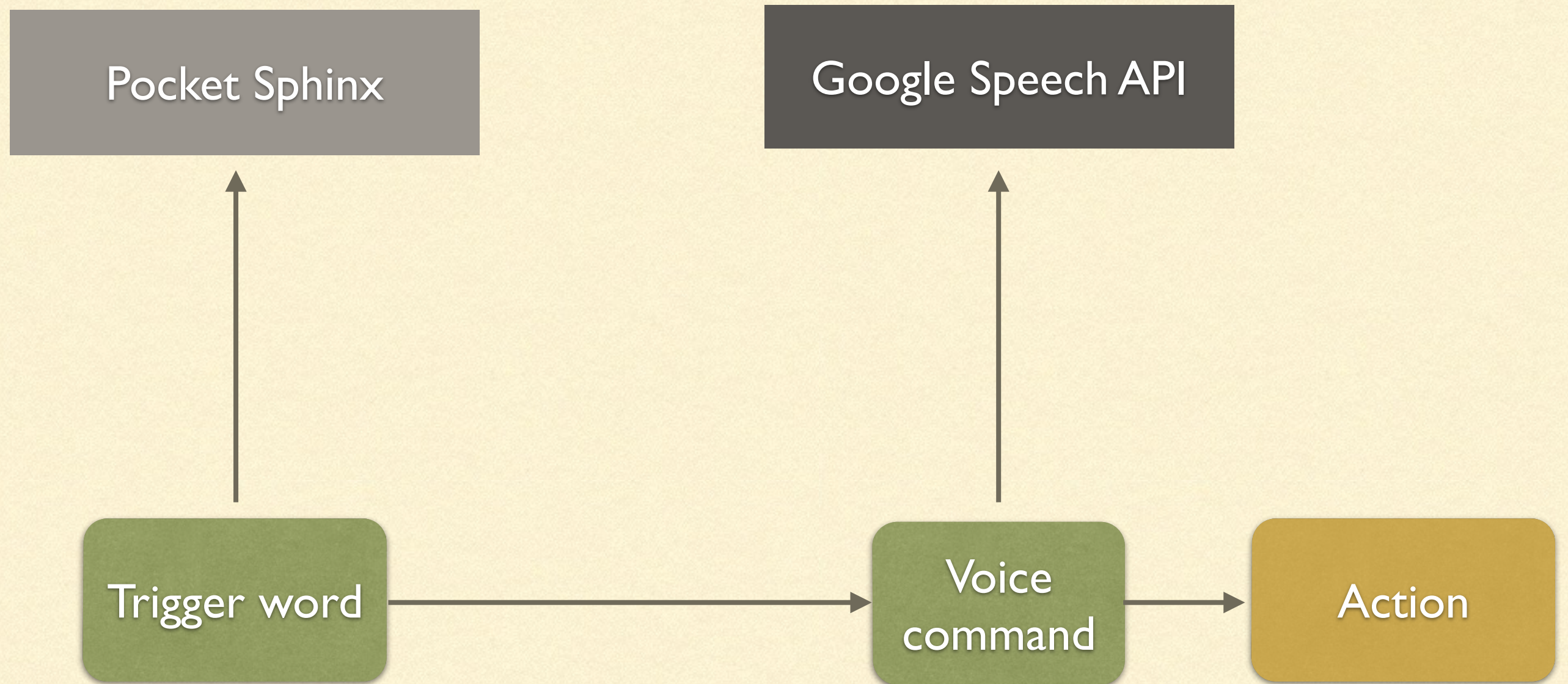


# MIXED APPROACH





# ARCHITECTURE OVERVIEW





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ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS POINT?



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SHOW ME THE CODE



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- All the code is in:

[https://github.com/manask88/  
speechrecognitiondemoapp](https://github.com/manask88/speechrecognitiondemoapp)



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# POCKET SPHINX INIT (1/2)

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```
Assets assets = new Assets (mContext);

//Performs the synchronization of assets in the application and external storage
File assetDir = assets.syncAssets();

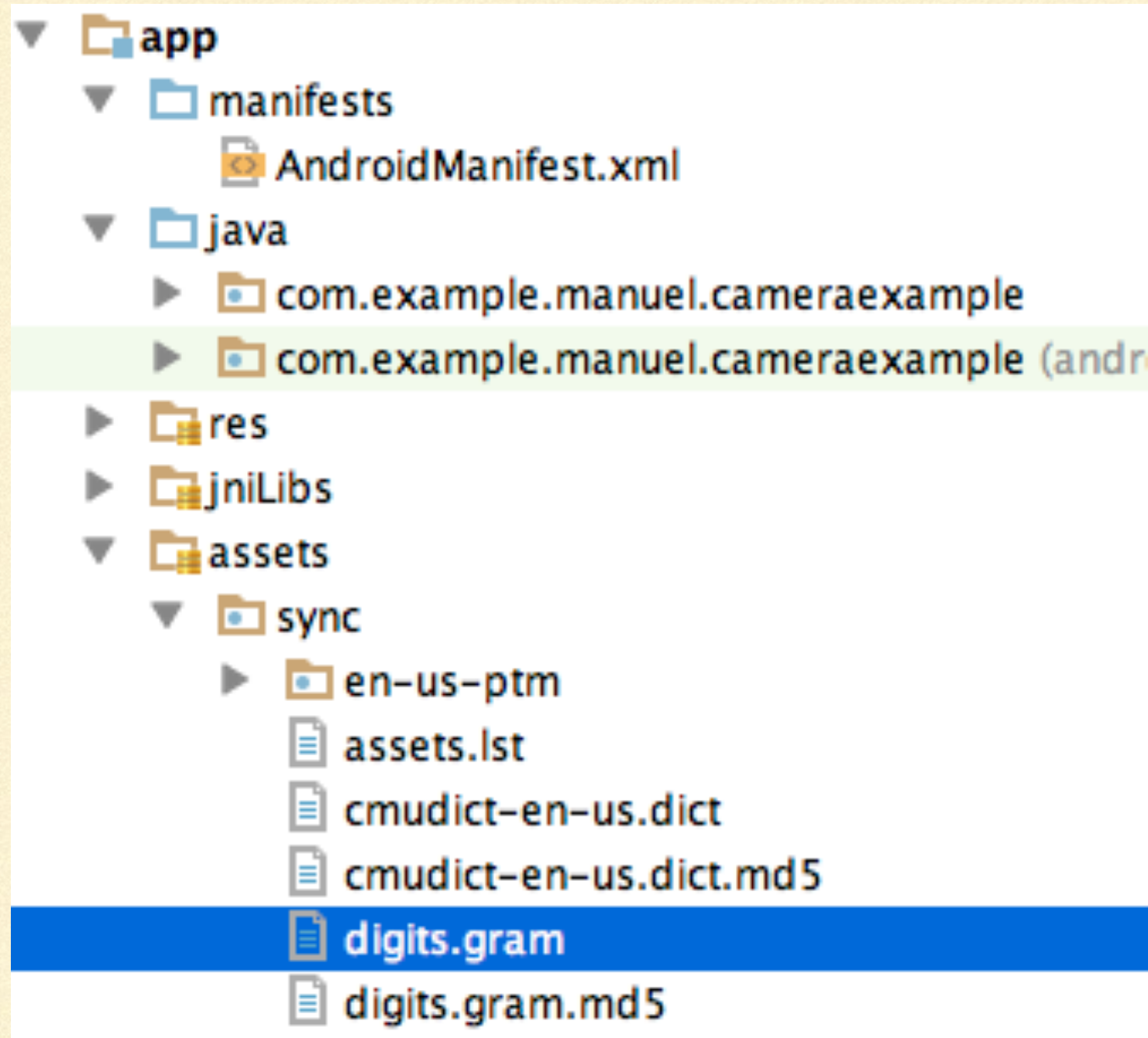
//Creates a new speech recognizer builder with default configuration
SpeechRecognizerSetup speechRecognizerSetup = defaultSetup();

speechRecognizerSetup.setAcousticModel(new File(assetDir, "en-us-ptm"));

speechRecognizerSetup.setDictionary(new File(assetDir, "cmudict-en-us.dict"));
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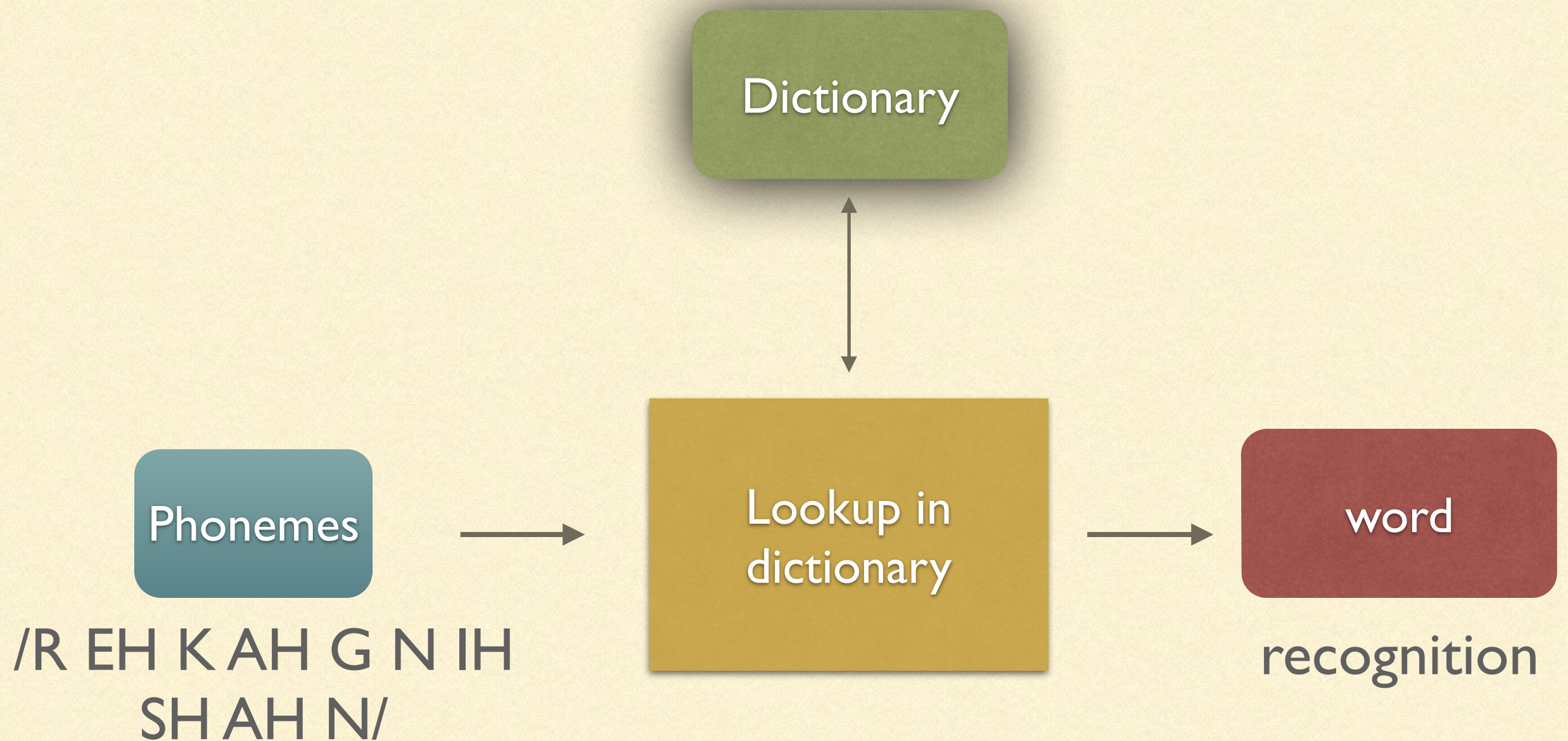


# ASSETS





# DICTIONARY





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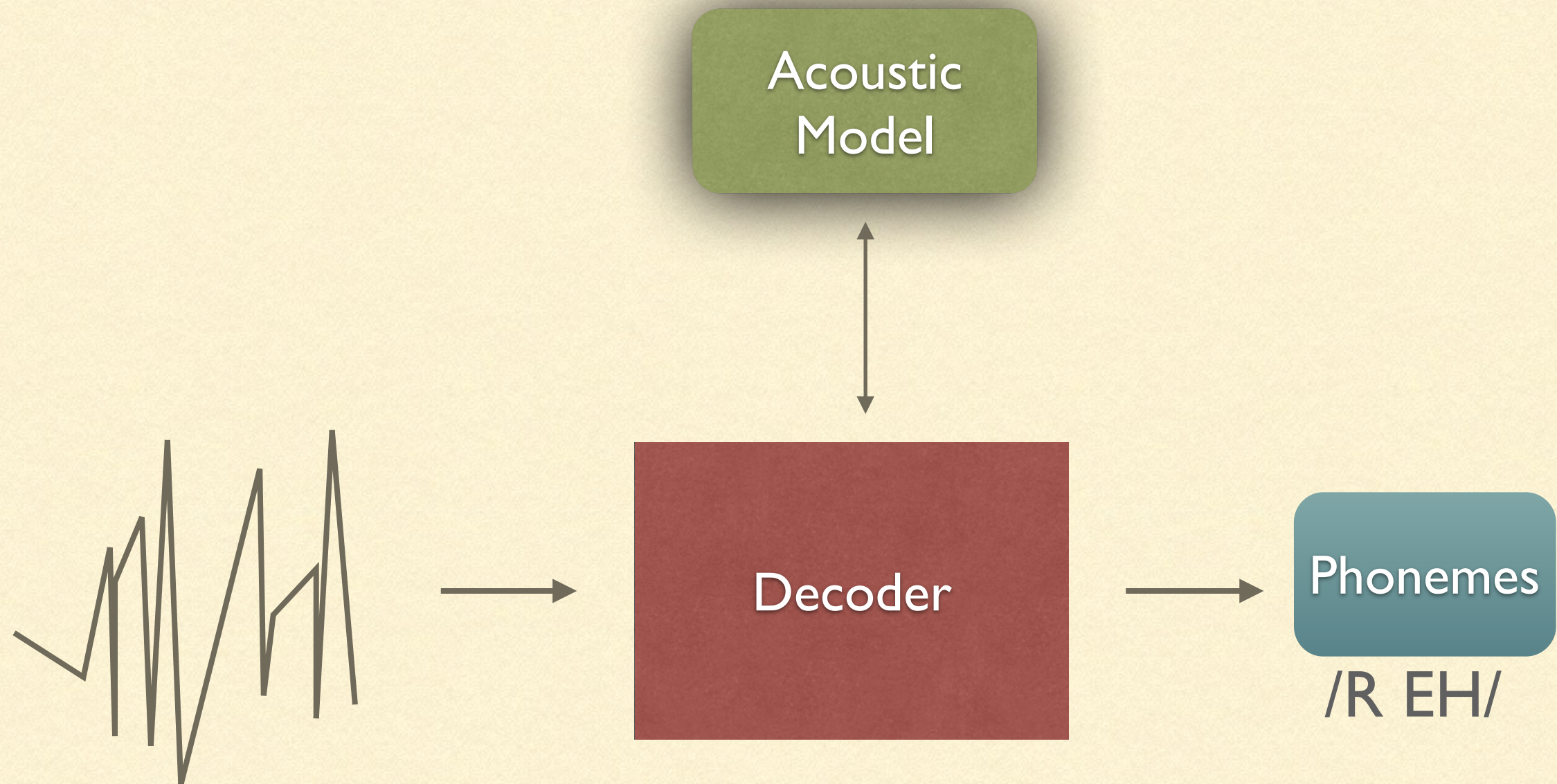
# DICTIONARY

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- aborts AH B AO R T S
- abound AH B AW N D
- abounded AH B AW N D IH D
- abounding AH B AW N D IH NG
- abounds AH B AW N D Z
- about AH B AW T

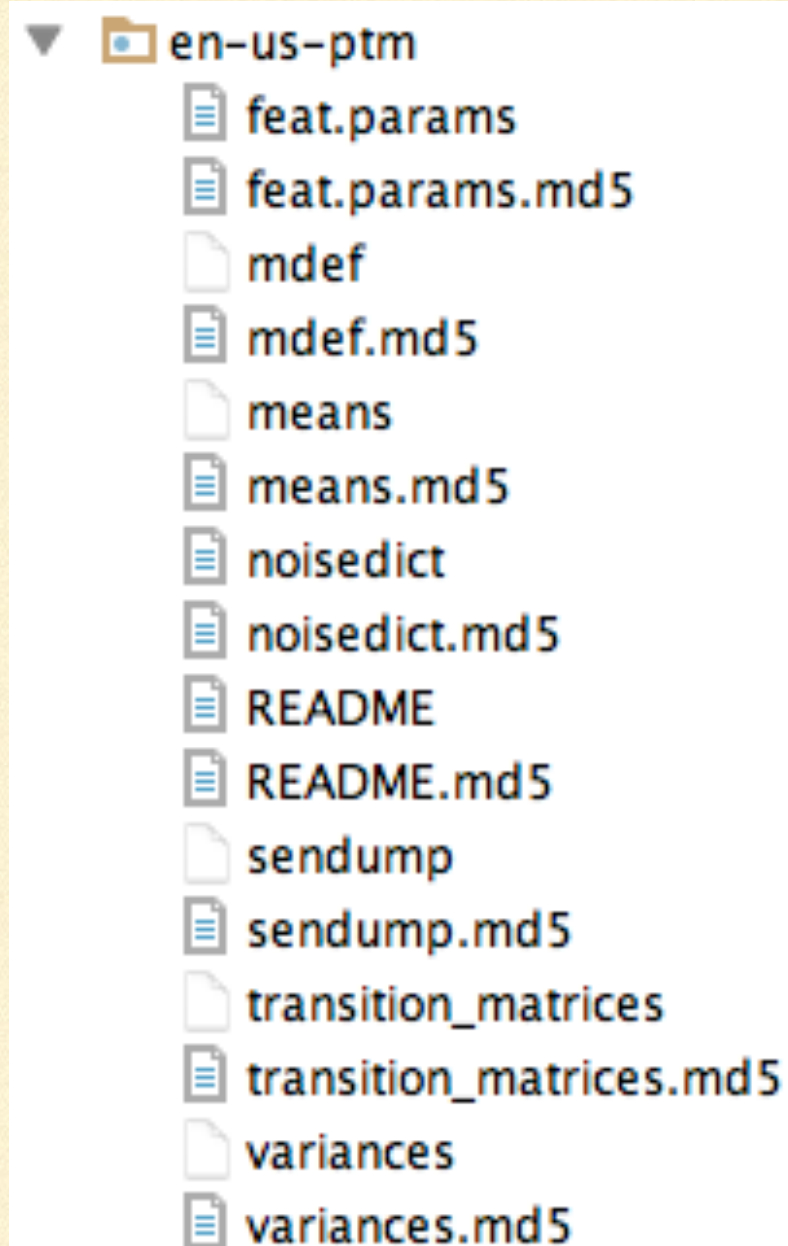


# ACOUSTIC MODEL





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# POCKET SPHINX INIT (2/2)

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```
// Threshold to tune for keyphrase to balance between false  
alarms and misses  
speechRecognizerSetup.setKeywordThreshold(1e-45f);  
  
//Creates a new SpeechRecognizer object based on previous set  
up.  
mPocketSphinxRecognizer =  
speechRecognizerSetup.getRecognizer();  
  
mPocketSphinxRecognizer.addListener(new  
PocketSphinxRecognitionListener());  
  
// Create keyword-activation search.  
mPocketSphinxRecognizer.addKeyphraseSearch(KWS_SEARCH,  
KEYPHRASE);
```



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# POCKET SPHINX LISTENER (1/2)

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```
@Override
public void onBeginningOfSpeech() {
    }
@Override
public void onPartialResult(Hypothesis hypothesis) {
    if (hypothesis == null)
        return;

    String text = hypothesis.getHypstr();
    if (text.equals(KEYPHRASE)) {
        mGoogleSpeechRecognizer.
            startListening(mSpeechRecognizerIntent);
        mPocketSphinxRecognizer.cancel();
    }
}
```



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# POCKET SPHINX LISTENER (2/2)

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```
@Override  
public void onResult(Hypothesis hypothesis) {  
    }
```

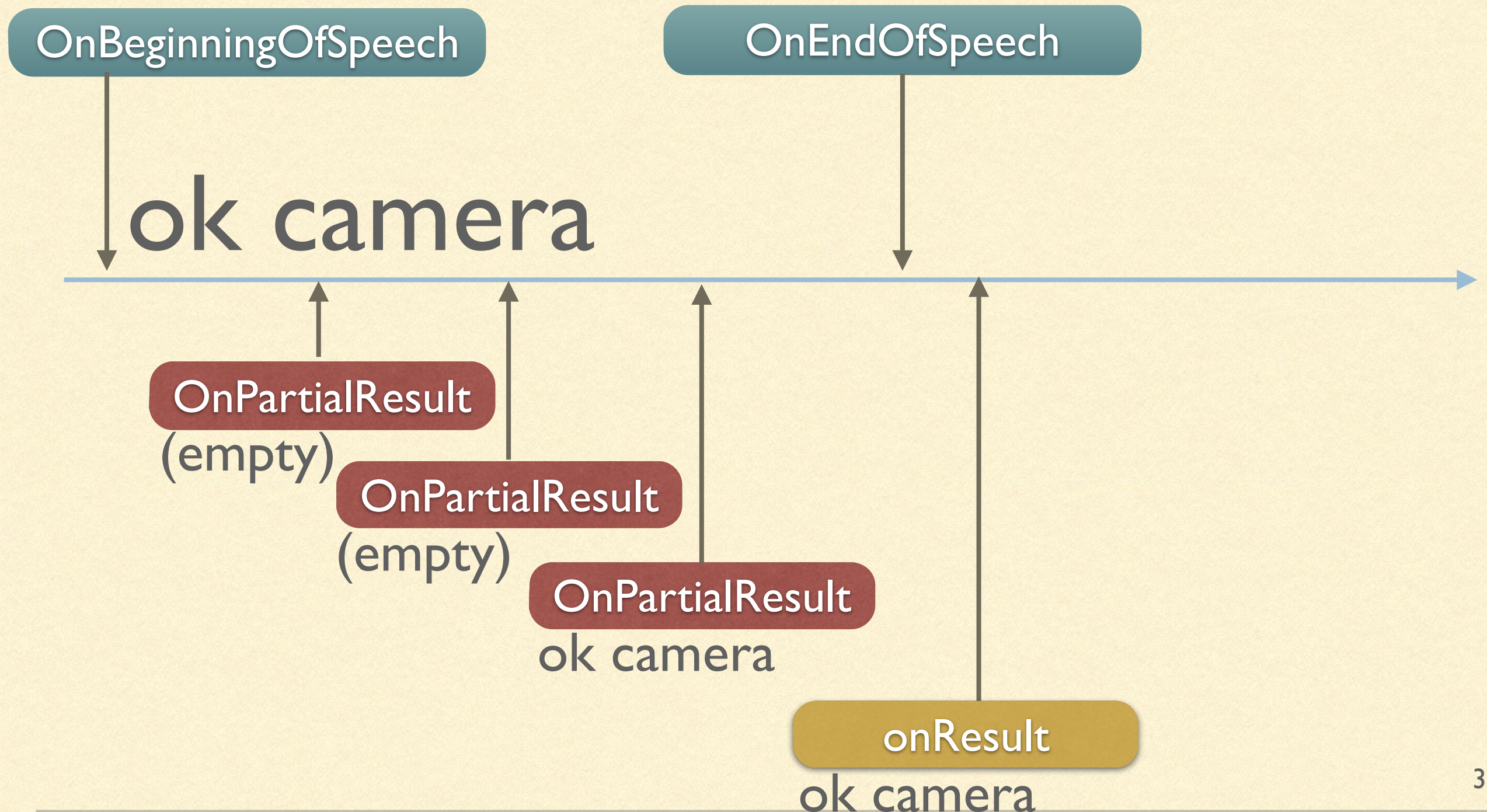
```
@Override  
public void onEndOfSpeech() {  
    }
```

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@Override  
public void onError(Exception error) {  
    }
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```
@Override  
public void onTimeout() {  
    }
```



# SPEECH EVENTS IN DETAIL (KEYWORD SEARCH)





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# GOOGLE SPEECH INIT (1/2)

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```
mAudioManager = (AudioManager) mContext
                .getSystemService (Context.AUDIO_SERVICE) ;

mGoogleSpeechRecognizer = android.speech.SpeechRecognizer
                .createSpeechRecognizer (mContext) ;

mGoogleSpeechRecognizer.setRecognitionListener (new
                GoogleRecognitionListener () ) ;

mSpeechRecognizerIntent = new Intent (
                RecognizerIntent.ACTION_RECOGNIZE_SPEECH) ;
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# GOOGLE SPEECH INIT (2/2)

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```
mSpeechRecognizerIntent.putExtra(  
    RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_LANGUAGE_MODEL,  
    RecognizerIntent.LANGUAGE_MODEL_FREE_FORM);  
  
mSpeechRecognizerIntent.putExtra(  
    RecognizerIntent.EXTRA_CALLING_PACKAGE,  
    mContext.getPackageName());
```



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# GOOGLE SPEECH LISTENER (1/2)

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```
@Override
public void onResults(Bundle results) {
    if ((results != null) &&
        results(
            android.speech.SpeechRecognizer.
            RESULTS_RECOGNITION)) {
        //...(next slide)
    }

    mPocketSphinxRecognizer
        .startListening(KWS_SEARCH);
}
```



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# GOOGLE SPEECH LISTENER (2/2)

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```
ArrayList<String> heard = results(android.speech.  
SpeechRecognizer.RESULTS_RECOGNITION) ;  
  
float[] scores =  
results.getFloatArray(android.speech.  
SpeechRecognizer.CONFIDENCE_SCORES) ;  
  
if (mOnResultListener!=null) {  
    mOnResultListener.OnResult(heard) ;  
}
```



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# RESULT CONTENTS

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```
onResultshheard:take picture confidence:0.861010  
onResultshheard:take a picture confidence:0.0  
onResultshheard:fake picture confidence:0.0  
onResultshheard:they take picture confidence:0.0  
onResultshheard:take it your confidence:0.0
```



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ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS POINT?



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LET'S GET OUR HANDS A LITTLE  
BIT DIRTY!



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- Get the project from:

[https://github.com/manask88/  
workshopdemoapp](https://github.com/manask88/workshopdemoapp)

- It's an camera demo app.
- PocketSphinx and Google Speech API are already integrated.
- Write code necessary to take pictures using your voice



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# ANALYZE RECOGNIZED WORDS

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```
@Override
    public void onResults(Bundle partialResults) {
        if ((partialResults != null)
            && partialResults
                .containsKey(android.speech.SpeechR
ecognizer.RESULTS_RECOGNITION)) {
            //...

            //analyze list of words here
        }

    mPocketSphinxRecognizer.startListening(KWS_SEARCH);
    }
```



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# TRIGGER ACTION

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- Use callbacks, handlers, etc to communicate action to Activity
- To take a picture, use the following line of code in the Activity:

```
mCamera.takePicture(null, null, mPictureCallback);
```



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# NEXT STEPS



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# INTEGRATE SPEECH RECOGNITION APIS TO YOUR APP

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1. Install the Pocket Sphinx library in your project
2. Initialize Pocket Sphinx and create a Listener for its events
3. Initialize Google Speech API and create a Listener for its events
4. Communicate Google Speech API results to your app



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How to add Pocket Sphinx and Google Speech API  
wiki:

[https://github.com/manask88/wiki/wiki/  
Speech-Recognition-Tutorial](https://github.com/manask88/wiki/wiki/Speech-Recognition-Tutorial)

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# BACKUP SLIDES



# SPEECH EVENTS IN DETAIL (NO KEYWORD SEARCH)

