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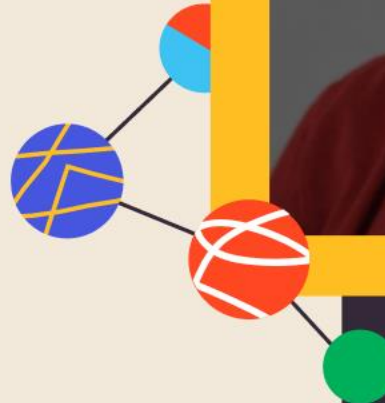
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# Making Neural Network Portable with ONNX

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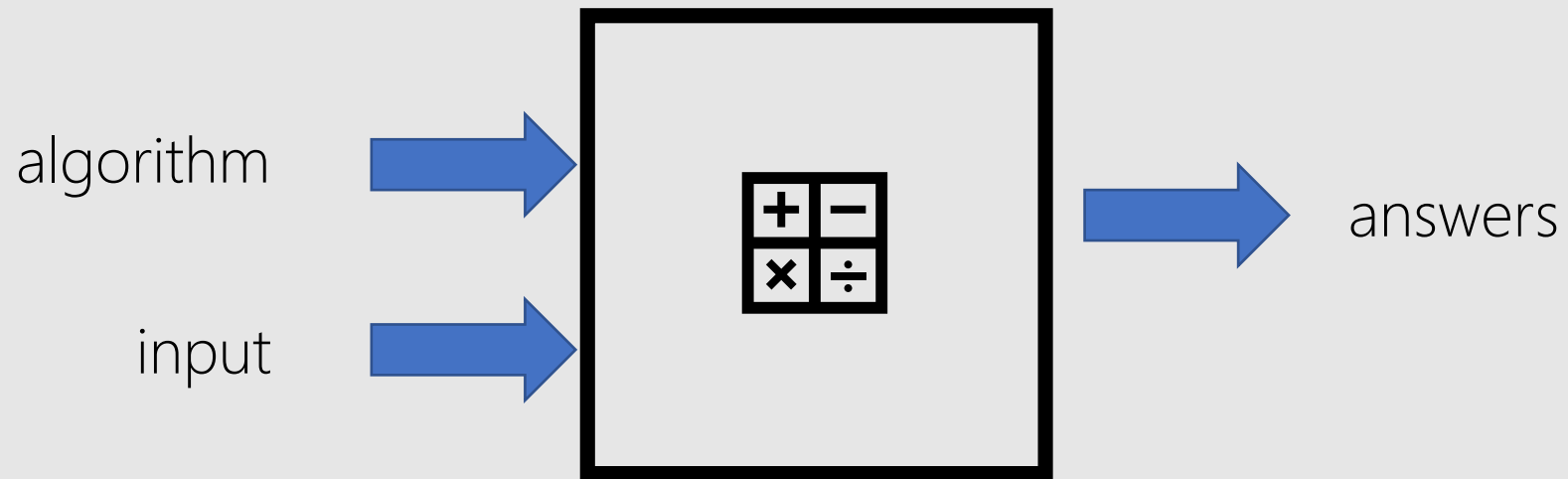
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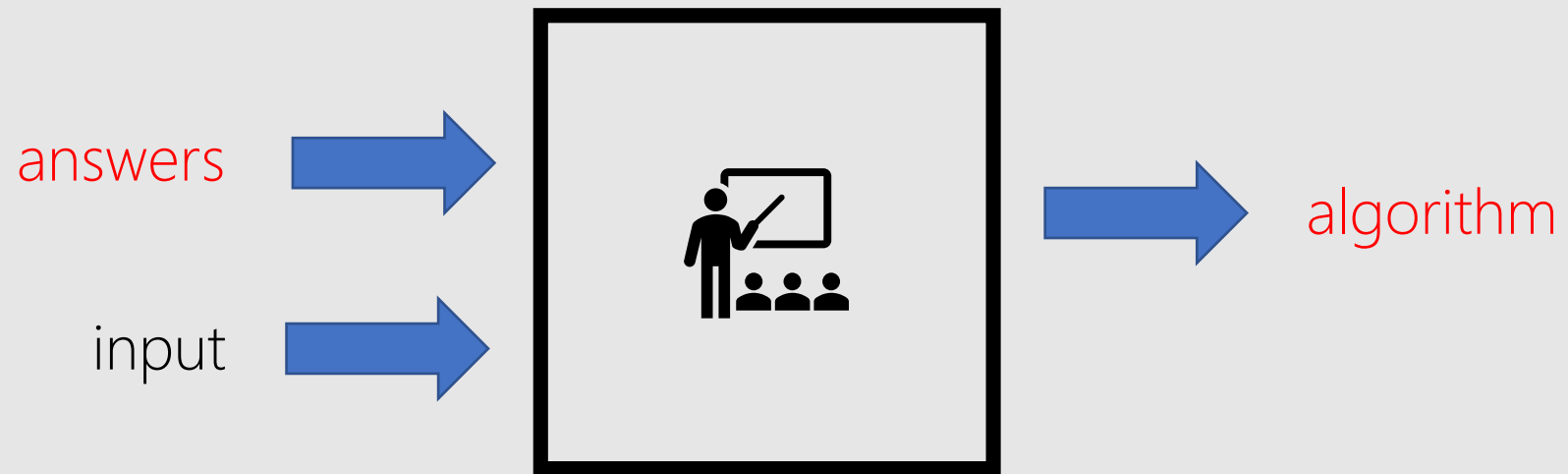
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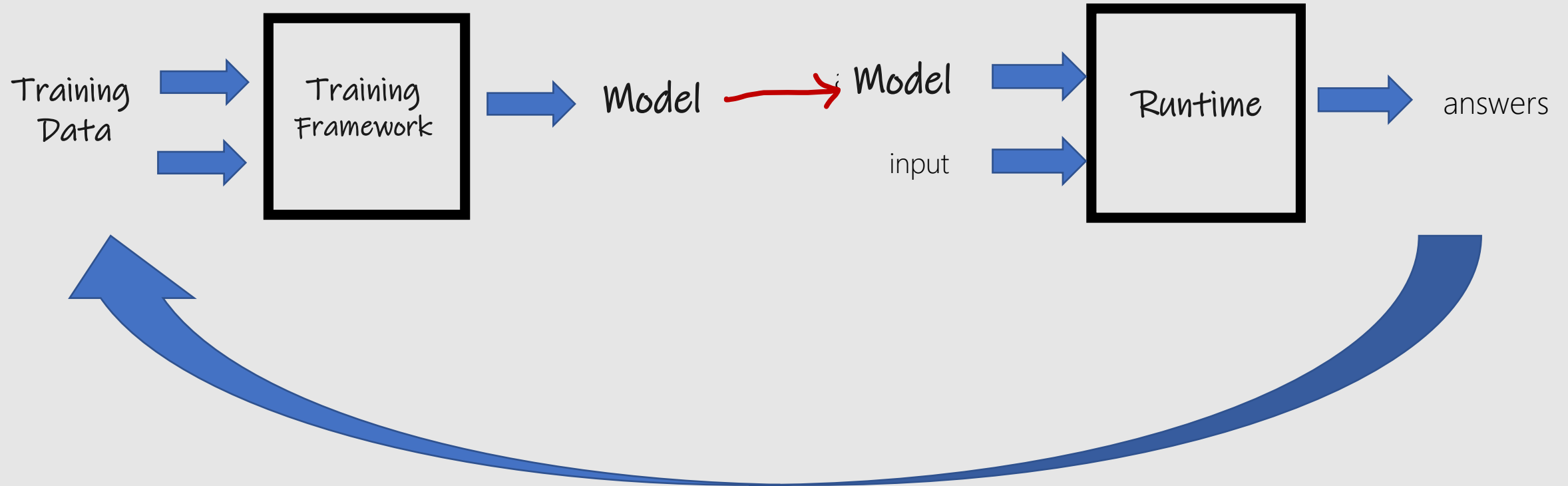
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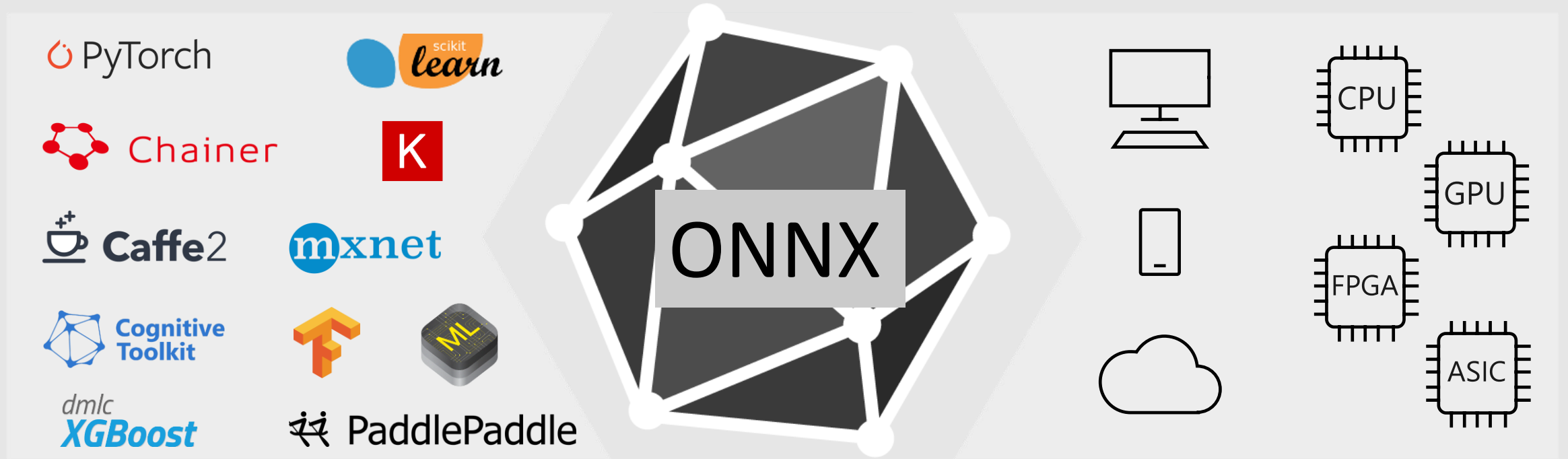
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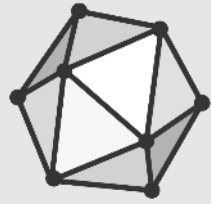
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Inferencing



# Open and Interoperable AI





# ONNX

Open Neural Network Exchange

## Open format for ML models

[github.com/onnx](https://github.com/onnx)

[onnx.ai/](https://onnx.ai/)



# ONNX Partners

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# Agenda

- ✓ What is ONNX, When to use ONNX
- ☐ How to create ONNX models
- ☐ How to deploy ONNX models

# When to use ONNX?

- Trained in Python - deploy into a C#/Java/Javascript app
- High Inferencing latency for production use
- Model to run resource on IoT/edge devices
- Model to run on different OS or Hardware
- Combine running models created from different frameworks
- Training takes too long (transformer models)

# Create

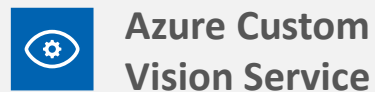
## Frameworks



Native support

Converters

## Services



Native support



# Deploy

## Cloud Services

Azure Machine Learning services

Ubuntu VM

Windows VM

## Windows Devices

## IoT/Edge Devices

## Other Devices (iOS, Android, etc)

Native support

Converters

## Frameworks



**Step 1:  
Create**

Services



Azure Custom  
Vision Service

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**ONNX Model**

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Windows Devices

**Step 2:  
Deploy**

Other Devices  
(iOS, etc)

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# Secret Recipe

# 4 ways to get an ONNX model



ONNX Model Zoo



Azure Custom Vision Service



Convert existing models



Train models in Azure Machine Learning

Automated Machine Learning

# ONNX Model Zoo: [github.com/onnx/models](https://github.com/onnx/models)

## Image Classification

This collection of models take images as input, then classifies the major objects in the images into a set of predefined classes.

Model Class	Reference	Description
<a href="#">MobileNet</a>	<a href="#">Sandler et al.</a>	Efficient CNN model for mobile and embedded vision applications. Top-5 error from paper - ~10%
<a href="#">ResNet</a>	<a href="#">He et al., He et al.</a>	Very deep CNN model (up to 152 layers), won the ImageNet Challenge in 2015. Top-5 error from paper - ~3.6%
<a href="#">SqueezeNet</a>	<a href="#">Iandola et al.</a>	A lightweight CNN model with fewer parameters than AlexNet. Top-5 error from paper - ~4.8%
<a href="#">VGG</a>	<a href="#">Simonyan et al.</a>	Deep CNN model, won the ImageNet Challenge in 2014. Top-5 error from paper - ~7.4%

Model	Download	Checksum	Download (with sample test data)	ONNX version	Opset version	Top-1 accuracy (%)	Top-5 accuracy (%)
ResNet-18	<a href="#">44.6 MB</a>	<a href="#">MD5</a>	<a href="#">42.9 MB</a>	1.2.1	7	69.70	89.49
ResNet-34	<a href="#">83.2 MB</a>	<a href="#">MD5</a>	<a href="#">78.6 MB</a>	1.2.1	7	73.36	91.43
ResNet-50	<a href="#">97.7 MB</a>	<a href="#">MD5</a>	<a href="#">92.0 MB</a>	1.2.1	7	75.81	92.82
ResNet-101	<a href="#">170.4 MB</a>	<a href="#">MD5</a>	<a href="#">159.4 MB</a>	1.2.1	7	77.42	93.61
ResNet-152	<a href="#">230.3 MB</a>	<a href="#">MD5</a>	<a href="#">216.0 MB</a>	1.2.1	7	78.20	94.21

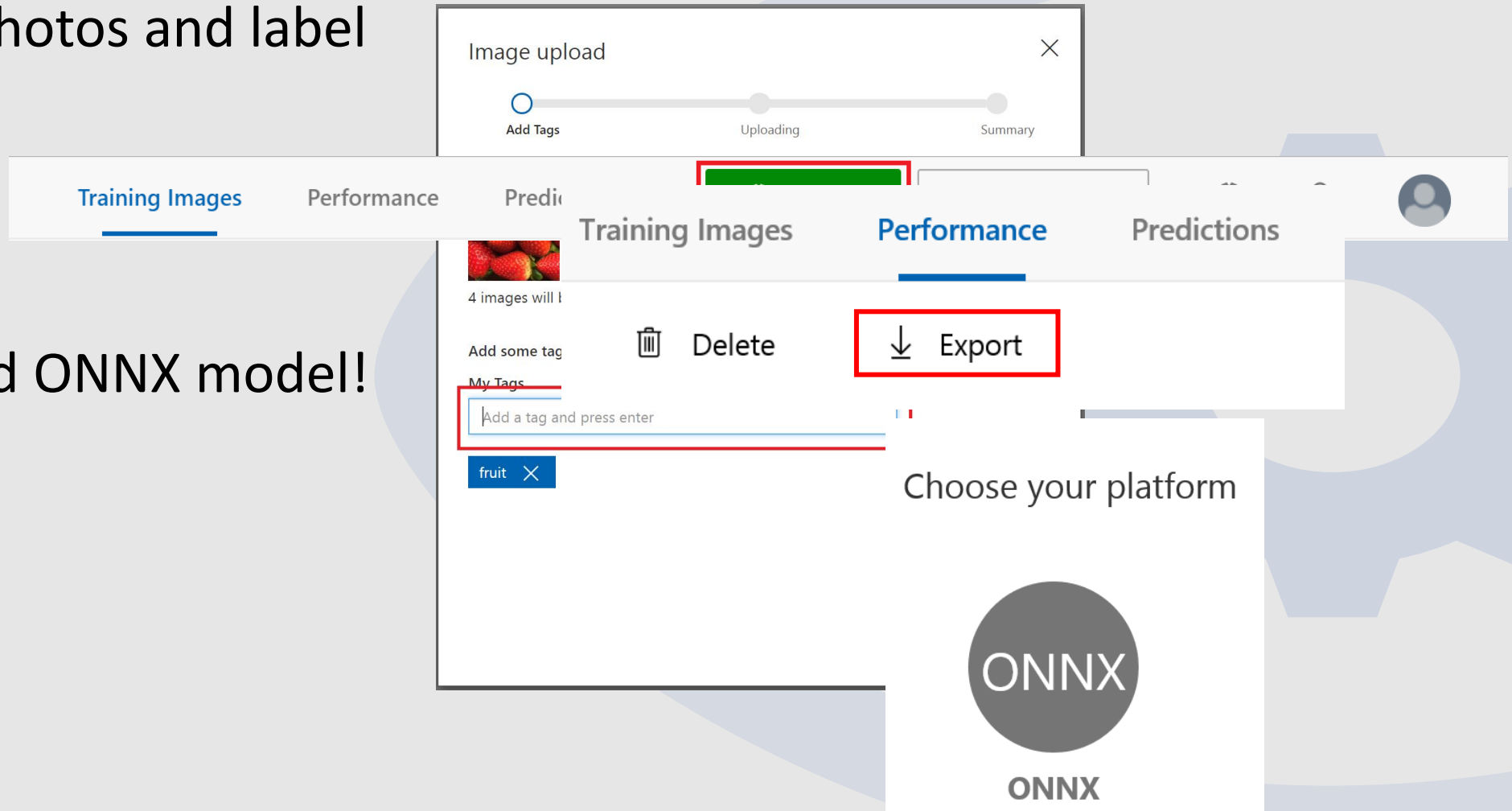


# Custom Vision Service: [customvision.ai](https://customvision.ai)

1. Upload photos and label

2. Train

3. Download ONNX model!



Convert  
models



# Convert models

1. Load existing model
2. (Convert to ONNX)
3. Save ONNX model



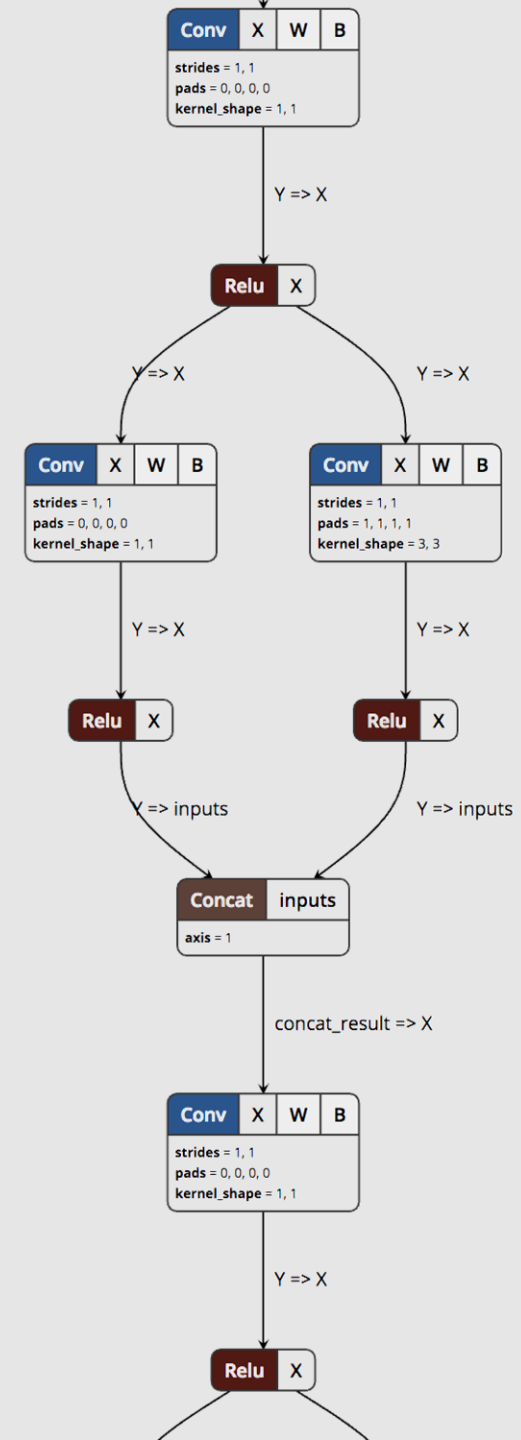
# ONNX Models

Graph of operations

Netron

<https://netron.app/>

<https://lutzroeder.github.io/netron/>



# Convert models: PyTorch

```
import torch  
import torch.onnx
```

```
model = torch.load("model.pt")
```

```
sample_input = torch.randn(1, 3, 224, 224)
```

```
torch.onnx.export(model, sample_input, "model.onnx")
```



# Convert models: Keras

```
In [ ]: import onnxmltools
        from keras.models import load_model
```

```
In [ ]: # Update the input name and path for your Keras model
        input_keras_model = 'model.h5'

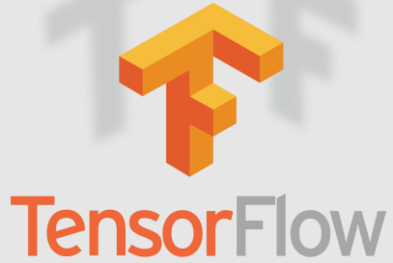
        # Change this path to the output name and path for the ONNX model
        output_onnx_model = 'model.onnx'
```

```
In [ ]: # Load your Keras model
        keras_model = load_model(input_keras_model)

        # Convert the Keras model into ONNX
        onnx_model = onnxmltools.convert_keras(keras_model)

        # Save as protobuf
        onnxmltools.utils.save_model(onnx_model, output_onnx_model)
```

# Convert models:



```
> python -m tf2onnx.convert  
    --saved-model tensorflow-model-path  
    --output model.onnx
```

<https://github.com/onnx/tensorflow-onnx>



# Convert models:



```
# Train a model.
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
iris = load_iris()
X, y = iris.data, iris.target
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y)
clr = RandomForestClassifier()
clr.fit(X_train, y_train)

# Convert into ONNX format
from skl2onnx import convert_sklearn
from skl2onnx.common.data_types import FloatTensorType
initial_type = [('float_input', FloatTensorType([None, 4]))]
onx = convert_sklearn(clr, initial_types=initial_type)
with open("rf_iris.onnx", "wb") as f:
    f.write(onx.SerializeToString())
```



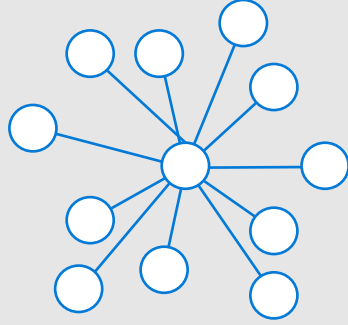


# ONNX as an intermediary format

- **Convert to Tensorflow for Android**
  - [Convert a PyTorch model to Tensorflow using ONNX](#)
- **Convert to CoreML for iOS**
  - <https://github.com/onnx/onnx-coreml>
- **Fine-tuning an ONNX model with MXNet/Gluon**
  - [https://mxnet.apache.org/versions/1.3.1/tutorials/onnx/fine\\_tuning\\_gluon.html](https://mxnet.apache.org/versions/1.3.1/tutorials/onnx/fine_tuning_gluon.html)

<https://github.com/onnx/tutorials>

# Train models in the Cloud



- Experiment locally then quickly scale with GPU clusters in the cloud
- Use automated machine learning and hyper-parameter tuning.
- Keeping Track of experiments, manage models, and easily deploy with integrated CI/CD tooling

# Machine Learning

Typical E2E Process

## Prepare



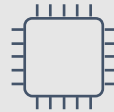
Prepare  
Data



## Experiment



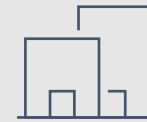
Build model  
(your favorite IDE)



Train &  
Test Model



Register and  
Manage Model



Build  
Image



Deploy Service  
Monitor Model

## Deploy



## Frameworks



**Step 1:  
Create**

Services



Azure Custom  
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Native  
support

Converters

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support



**ONNX Model**

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**Step 2:  
Deploy**

Other Devices  
(iOS, etc)

Native  
support

Converters

A baker in a white shirt and apron is shown from the waist down, working on a wooden table. The table is covered with a layer of white flour. A large, round loaf of bread is being shaped on the table. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

# Baker vs Starting a Bakery

# Create

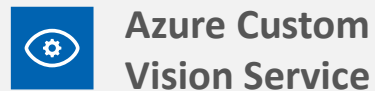
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A person's hands are visible, holding a large, round, rustic loaf of bread. The bread has a thick, golden-brown crust with some darker, caramelized spots. It is wrapped in a blue and white striped cloth. The background is a blurred wooden surface.

# Cloud or Edge

# Deploy in Cloud

- Model management services
- Deploy as web service
- Capture model telemetry



**Azure**  
**Machine Learning**



# Machine Learning

Typical E2E Process

## Prepare



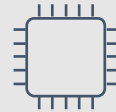
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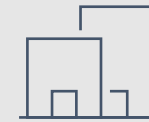
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Deploy Service  
Monitor Model

## Deploy





# ONNX

## ONNX Docker Image

[onnx-base](#): Use published ONNX package from PyPi with minimal dependencies.

[onnx-dev](#): Build ONNX from source with minimal dependencies.

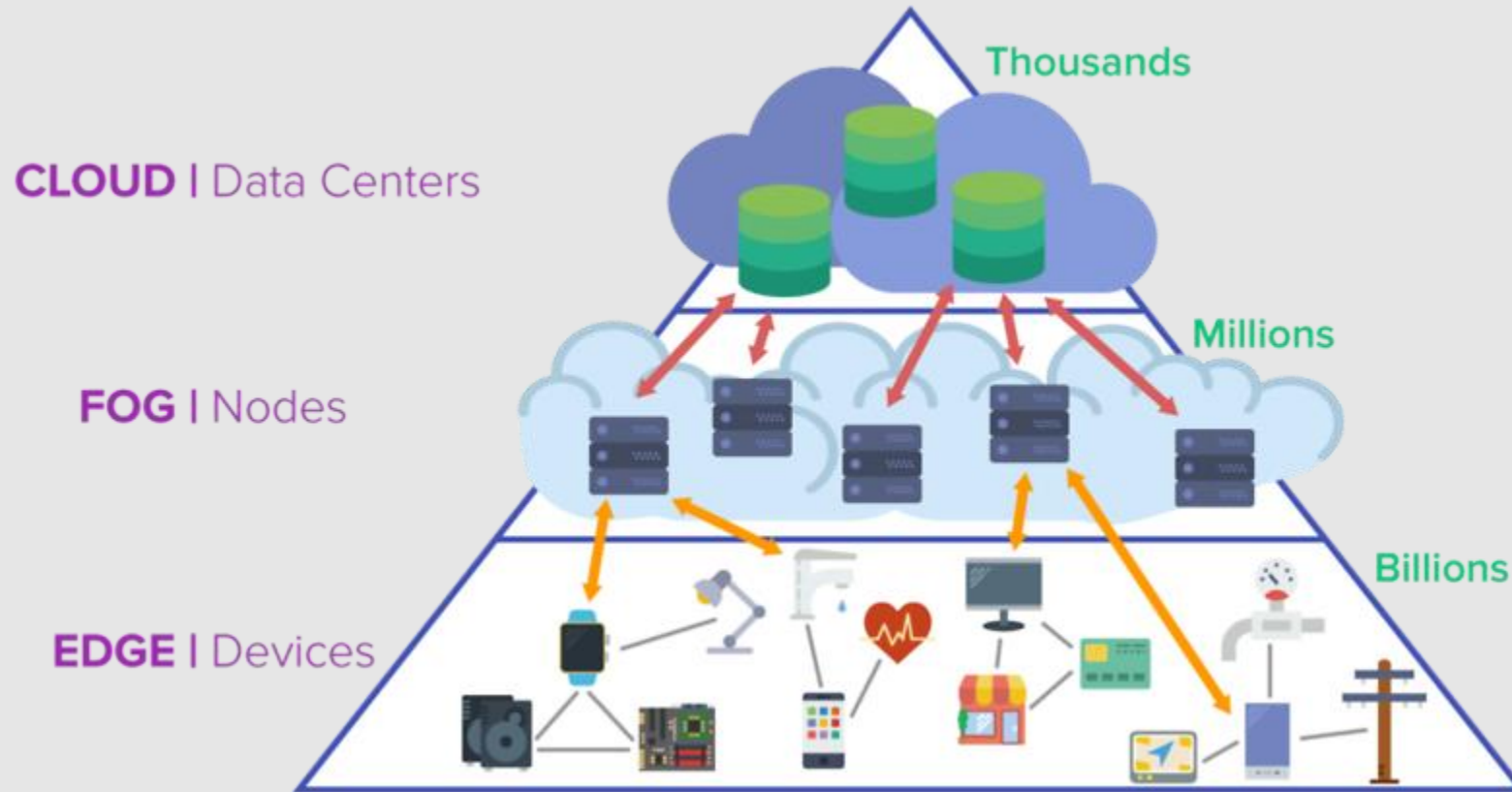
[onnx-ecosystem](#): Jupyter notebook environment

- getting started quickly with ONNX models
- ONNX converters
- inference using ONNX Runtime.

## Caffe2/PyTorch Docker

```
docker run -it --rm onnx/onnx-docker:cpu /bin/bash
```

# What is the Edge?

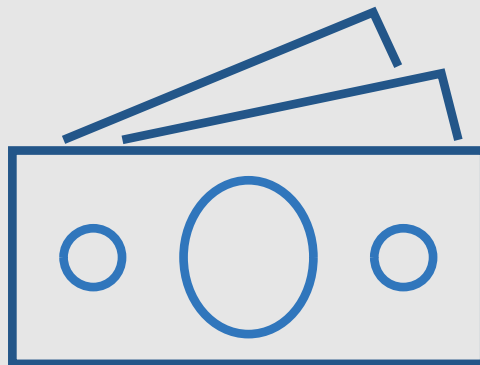


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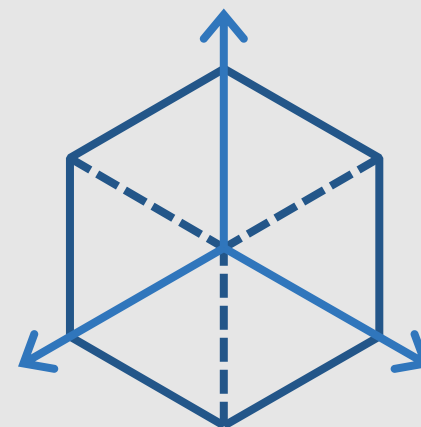
# AI on the edge



Low latency



Scalability



Flexibility

# ONNX Runtime

- High performance inference engine for ONNX models
- Founded and Open Sourced by Microsoft under MIT License
- Supports full ONNX-ML spec
- Extensible architecture to plug-in hardware accelerators
- Ships with Windows 10 as WinML
- [onnxruntime.ai](https://onnxruntime.ai)



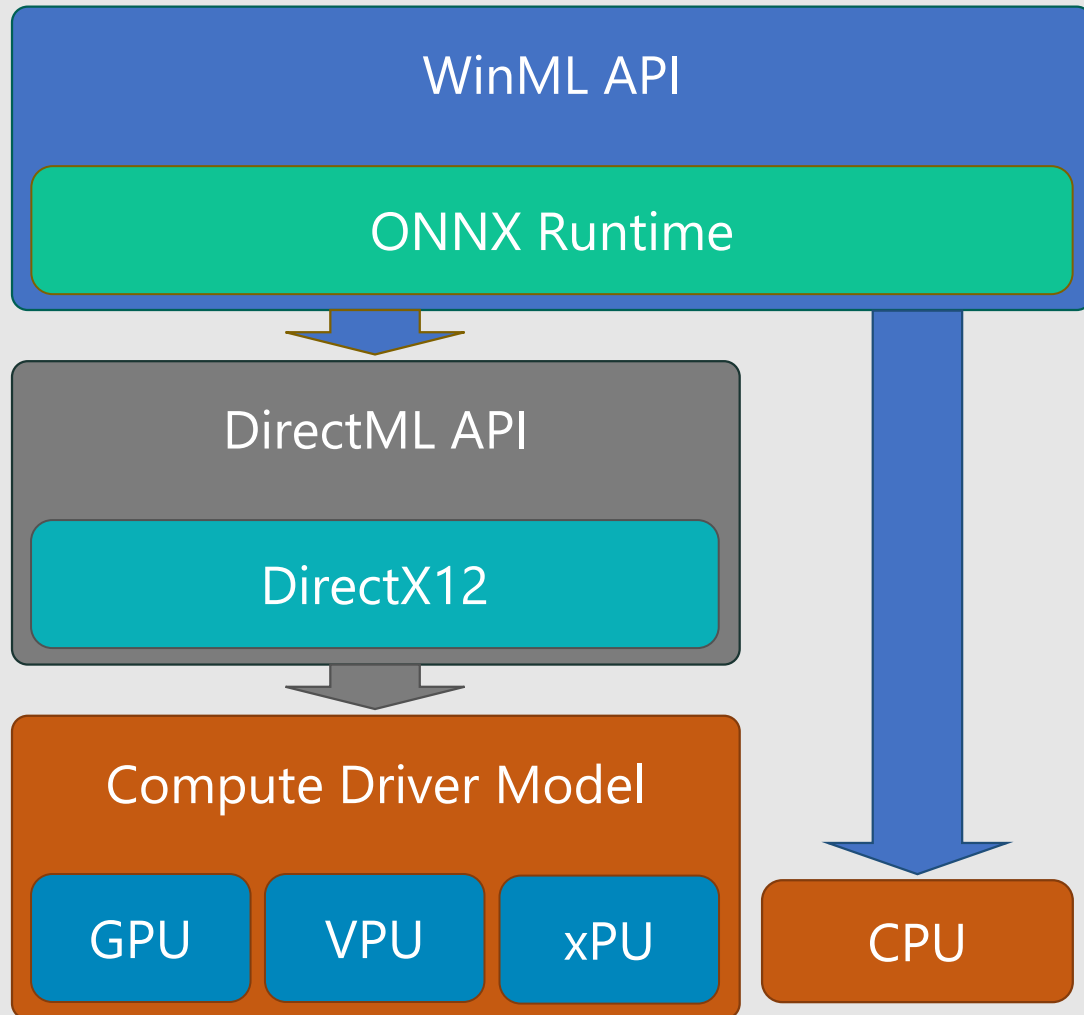
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# ONNX Runtime

# Get Started Easily

Optimize Inferencing	Optimize Training							
Platform	Windows	Linux	Mac	Android	iOS	Web Browser (Preview)		
API	Python	C++	C#	C	Java	JS	Obj-C	WinRT
Architecture	X64	X86	ARM64	ARM32	IBM Power			
Hardware Acceleration	Default CPU	CUDA	DirectML	oneDNN	OpenVINO			
	TensorRT	NNAPI	ACL (Preview)	ArmNN (Preview)	CoreML (Preview)			
	MIGraphX (Preview)	NUPHAR (Preview)	Rockchip NPU (Preview)	Vitis AI (Preview)				
Installation Instructions	Install Nuget package <a href="#">Microsoft.ML.OnnxRuntime.Gpu</a> Refer to <a href="#">docs</a> for requirements.							

# Windows AI platform



- WinML
  - **Practical**, simple model-based API for ML inferencing on Windows
- DirectML
  - **Realtime, high control** ML operator API; part of DirectX family
- Compute Driver Model
  - Robust **hardware reach**/abstraction layer for compute and graphics silicon

ONNX  
Runtime  
JavaScript

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Node.js binding

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Web

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React Native



# ONNX Runtime Node.js

- Node.js binding
- ONNX model inferencing
- Electron
- Uses web assembly

## Install

```
# install latest release version  
npm install onnxruntime-node
```

## Import

```
// use ES6 style import syntax (recommended)  
import * as ort from 'onnxruntime-node';
```

```
// or use CommonJS style import syntax  
const ort = require('onnxruntime-node');
```

# ONNX Runtime Web (ORT-Web)

- JavaScript library for running ONNX models on browsers
- adopted Web Assembly and WebGL technologies
- optimized ONNX model inference runtime for both CPUs and GPUs.

## Install

```
# install latest release version  
npm install onnxruntime-web  
  
# install nightly build dev version  
npm install onnxruntime-web@dev
```

## Import

```
// use ES6 style import syntax (recommended)  
import * as ort from 'onnxruntime-web';
```

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// or use CommonJS style import syntax  
const ort = require('onnxruntime-web');
```

# Why inference in the browser



**It's faster**



**It's safer** and helps with  
privacy



**It works offline**



**It's cheaper**

# Why not in the browser?



**THE MODEL IS TOO LARGE AND  
REQUIRES HIGHER HARDWARE SPECS.**



**DOWNLOADED ONTO THE DEVICE**

# React Native

- score pre-trained ONNX models
- ONNX Runtime Mobile
- light-weight inference solution
- Android and iOS

## Install

```
# install latest release version  
npm install onnxruntime-react-native
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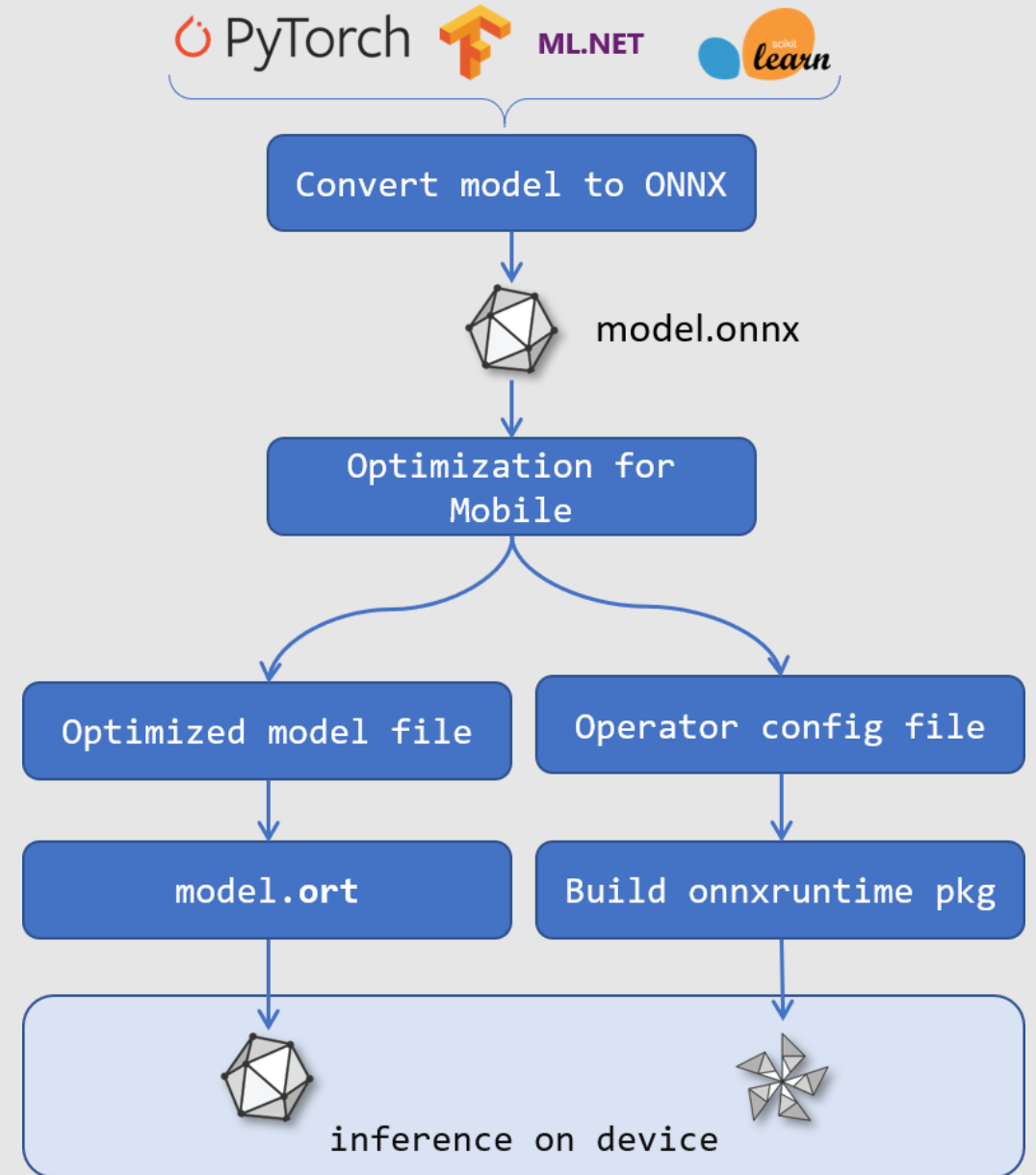
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# ONNX Runtime Mobile

- minimizes the binary size
- pre-optimized ONNX model to an internal format ('ORT format model')



# Compatibility Chart

## Compatibility

OS/Browser	Chrome	Edge	Safari	Electron	Node.js
Windows 10	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	-	wasm, webgl	wasm
macOS	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	wasm
Ubuntu LTS 18.04	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	-	wasm, webgl	wasm
iOS	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	-	-
Android	wasm, webgl	wasm, webgl	-	-	-



<https://bit.ly/onnxportable>





# Recap

- ✓ What is ONNX

**ONNX is an open standard so you can use the right tools for the job and be confident your models will run efficiently on your target platforms**

- ✓ How to create ONNX models

**ONNX models can be created from many frameworks**

- ✓ How to deploy ONNX models

**ONNX models can be deployed with Node, Web Browser, React Mobile using high performance ONNX Runtime**

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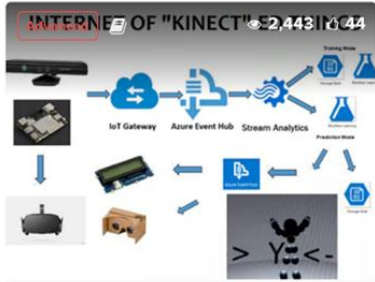
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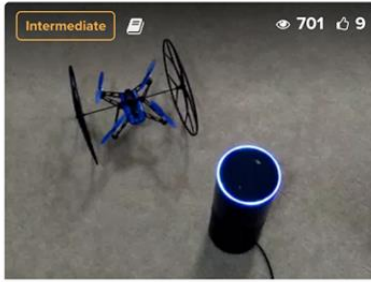
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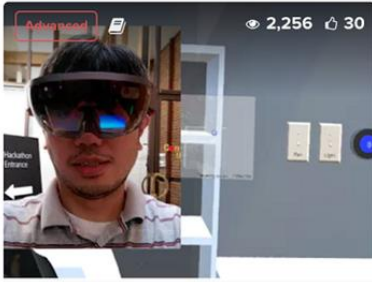
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