

**Choose the Best Accelerated Technology**

# Intel Software Optimizations for Classical Machine Learning

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# Agenda

- Intel AI Analytics Toolkit
- Intel Distribution for Python
- Intel Distribution of Modin
- Intel(R) Extension for Scikit-learn
- XGBoost Optimizations

# Intel® AI Analytics Toolkit

Powered by oneAPI

Accelerate end-to-end AI and data analytics pipelines with libraries optimized for Intel® architectures

## Who Uses It?

Data scientists, AI researchers, ML and DL developers, AI application developers

## Top Features/Benefits

- Deep learning performance for training and inference with Intel optimized DL frameworks and tools
- Drop-in acceleration for data analytics and machine learning workflows with compute-intensive Python packages

Deep Learning	Data Analytics & Machine Learning		
Intel® Optimization for TensorFlow	Accelerated Data Frames	Intel® Distribution of Modin	OmniSci Backend
Intel® Optimization for PyTorch		Intel® Distribution for Python	
Intel® Low Precision Optimization Tool	XGBoost	Scikit-learn	Daal-4Py
Model Zoo for Intel® Architecture	NumPy	SciPy	Pandas

## Samples and End2End Workloads



CPU



GPU

Supported Hardware Architectures<sup>1</sup>

Hardware support varies by individual tool. Architecture support will be expanded over time.  
Other names and brands may be claimed as the property of others.

Get the Toolkit [HERE](#) or via these locations

[Intel Installer](#)

[Docker](#)

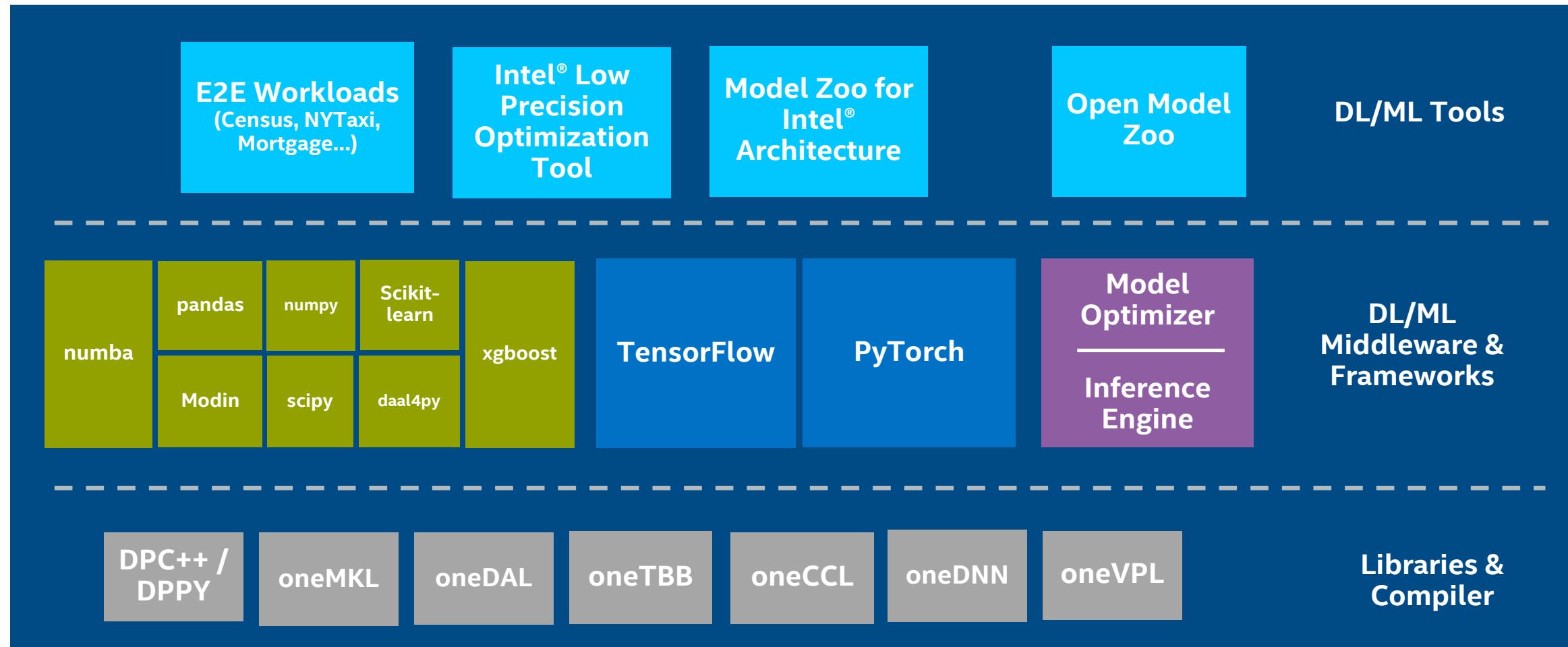
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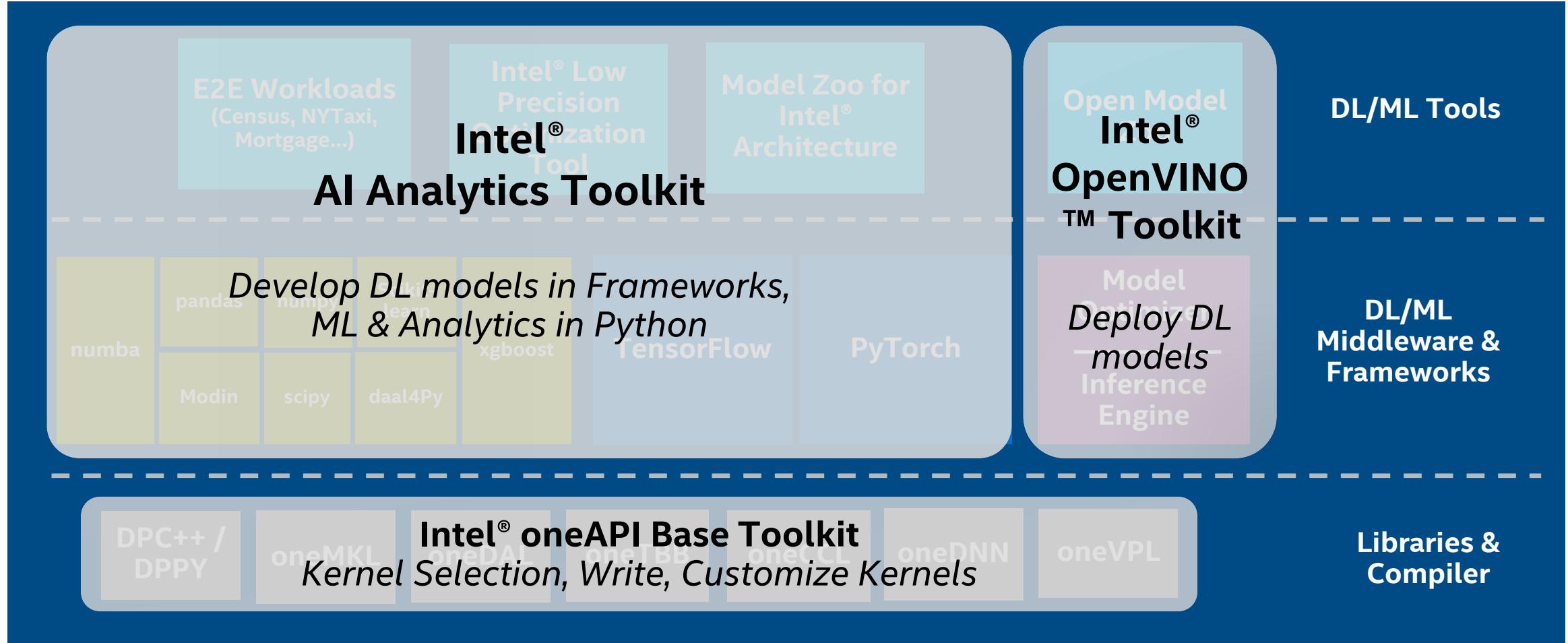
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Intel offers a robust software stack to maximize performance of diverse workloads



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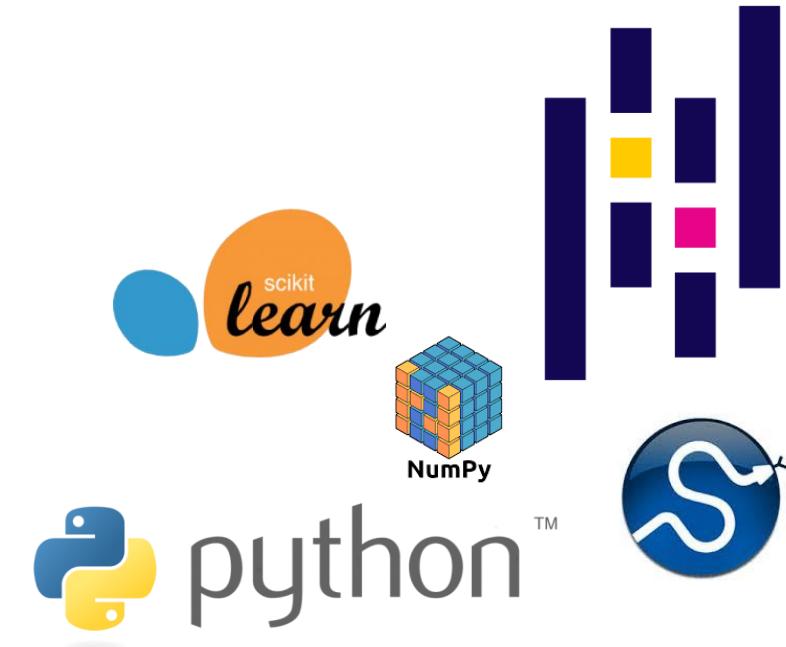
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Full Set of AI ML and DL Software Solutions Delivered with Intel's oneAPI Ecosystem

# Executive Summary

- Intel® Distribution for Python covers major usages in HPC and Data Science
- Achieve faster Python application performance — right out of the box — with minimal or no changes to a code
- Accelerate NumPy\*, SciPy\*, and scikit-learn\* with integrated Intel® Performance Libraries such as Intel® oneMKL (Math Kernel Library) and Intel® oneDAL (Data Analytics Library)
- Access the latest vectorization and multithreading instructions, Numba\* and Cython\*, composable parallelism with Threading Building Blocks, and more



- Analysts
- Data Scientists
- Machine Learning Developers

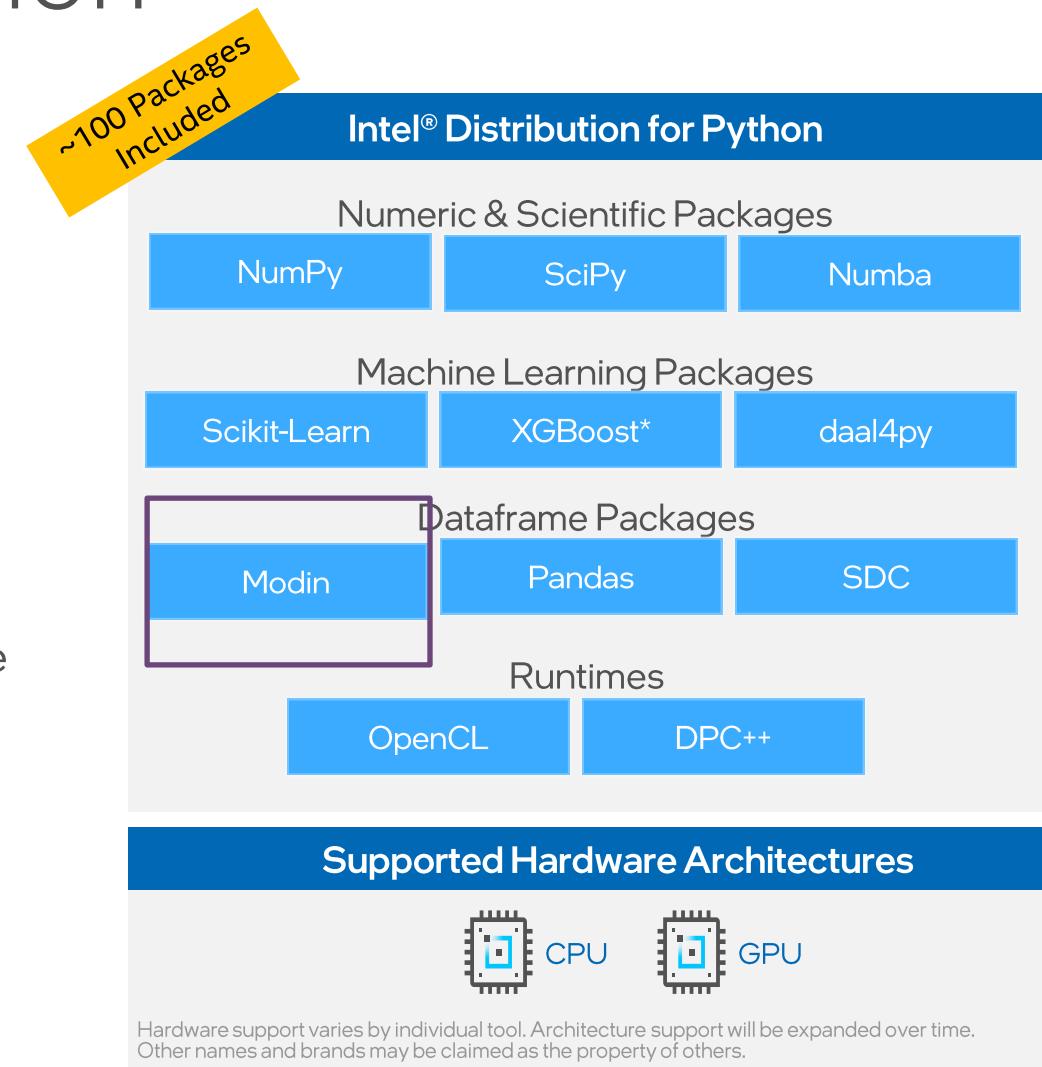
# Intel® Distribution for Python oneAPI Powered

Develop fast, performant Python code with this set of essential computational packages

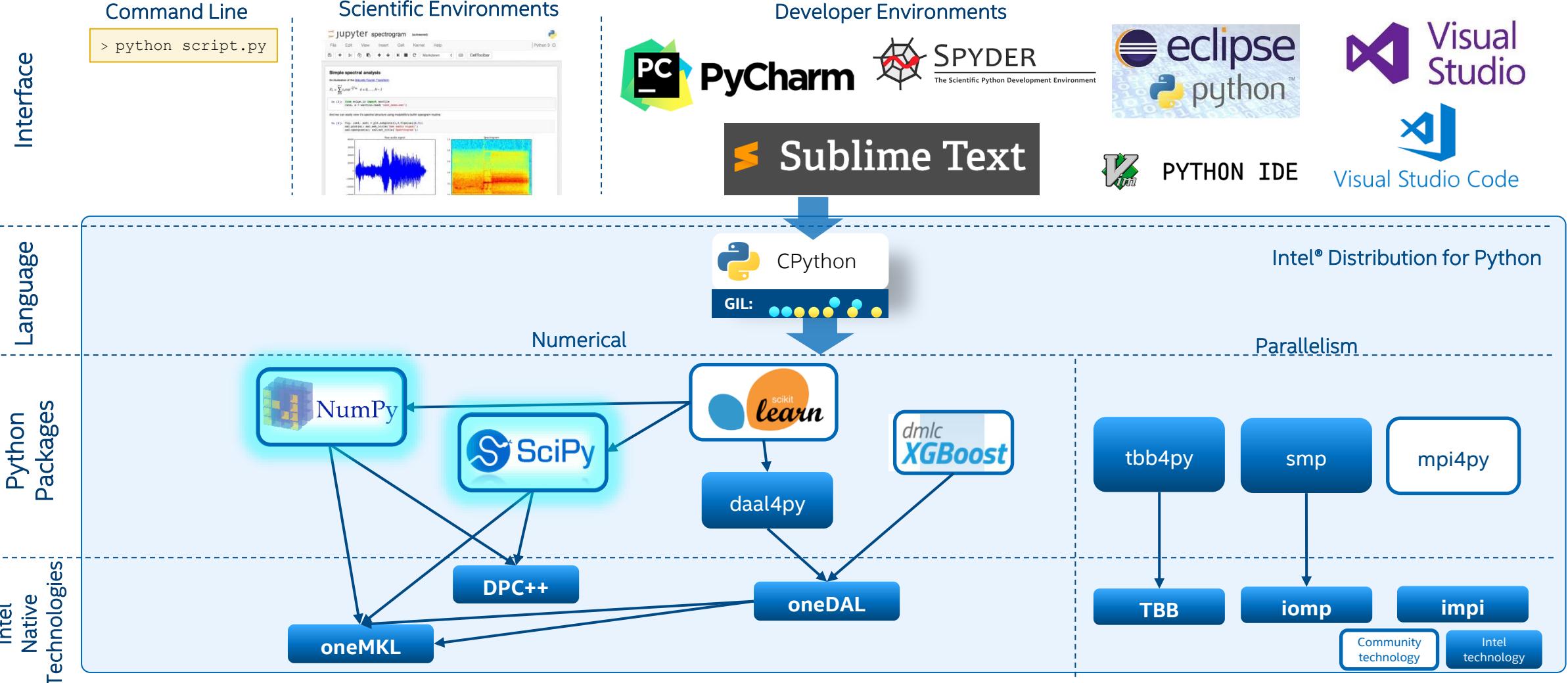
## Who Uses It?

- Machine Learning Developers, Data Scientists, and Analysts can implement performance-packed, production-ready scikit-learn algorithms
- Numerical and Scientific Computing Developers can accelerate and scale the compute-intensive Python packages NumPy, SciPy, and mpi4py
- High-Performance Computing (HPC) Developers can unlock the power of modern hardware to speed up your Python applications

Initial GPU support enabled with Data Parallel Python



# Intel® Distribution for Python Architecture



# Intel® Distribution for Python

## Developer Benefits

Maximize Performance	Minimize Development Cost	Vast Ecosystem
<b>Performance Libraries, Parallelism, Multithreading, Language Extensions</b>	<b>Drop-in Python Replacement</b>	<b>Familiar usage and compatibility</b>
Near-native performance comes through acceleration of core Python numerical packages  Accelerated NumPy/SciPy/scikit-learn with oneMKL & oneDAL  Data analytics, machine learning & deep learning with scikit-learn, XGBoost, Modin, daal4py  Scale with Numba*, Cython*, tbb4py, mpi4py, SDC	Prebuilt optimized packages for numerical computing, machine/deep learning, HPC, & data analytics  Data-Parallel Python provides cross-architecture XPU support  Conda build recipes included in packages  Free download & free for all uses including commercial deployment	Supports Python 3  Supports conda & pip package managers  Packages available via conda, pip YUM/APT, Docker image on DockerHub  Commercial support through the Intel® oneAPI Base Toolkit
Optimized for latest Intel® architectures Operating Systems: Windows*, Linux*, MacOSi*		
<b>Intel® Architecture Platforms</b>	 CPU  GPU  OTHER ACCEL.	

# Choose Your Download Option

## Python Solutions

Tools and frameworks to accelerate end-to-end data science and analytics pipelines

Develop fast, performant Python code with essential computational packages

Optimized Python packages from package managers and containers

Develop in the Cloud

## Download Options

[Intel® AI Analytics Toolkit](#)



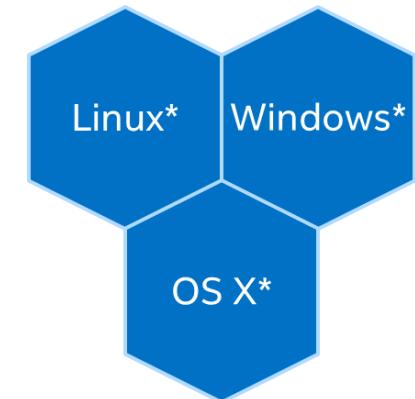
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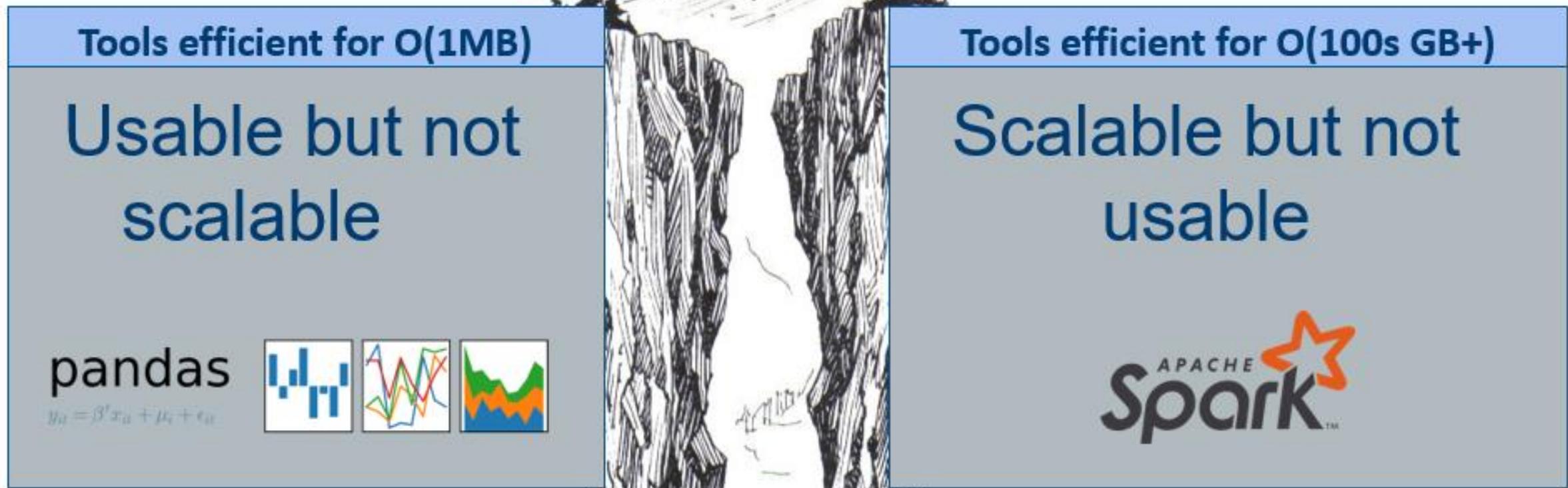
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\* Also available in the Intel® oneAPI Base Toolkit

# Modin

# Data Science Landscape: Today



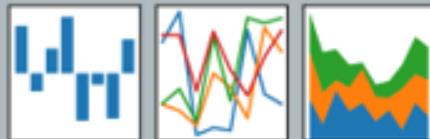
# Data Science Landscape: Today

Tools efficient for  $O(1\text{MB})$

Usable and  
scalable

pandas

$$y_{it} = \beta' x_{it} + \mu_i + \epsilon_{it}$$

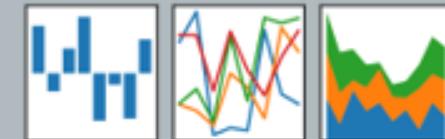


Tools efficient for  $O(100\text{s GB+})$

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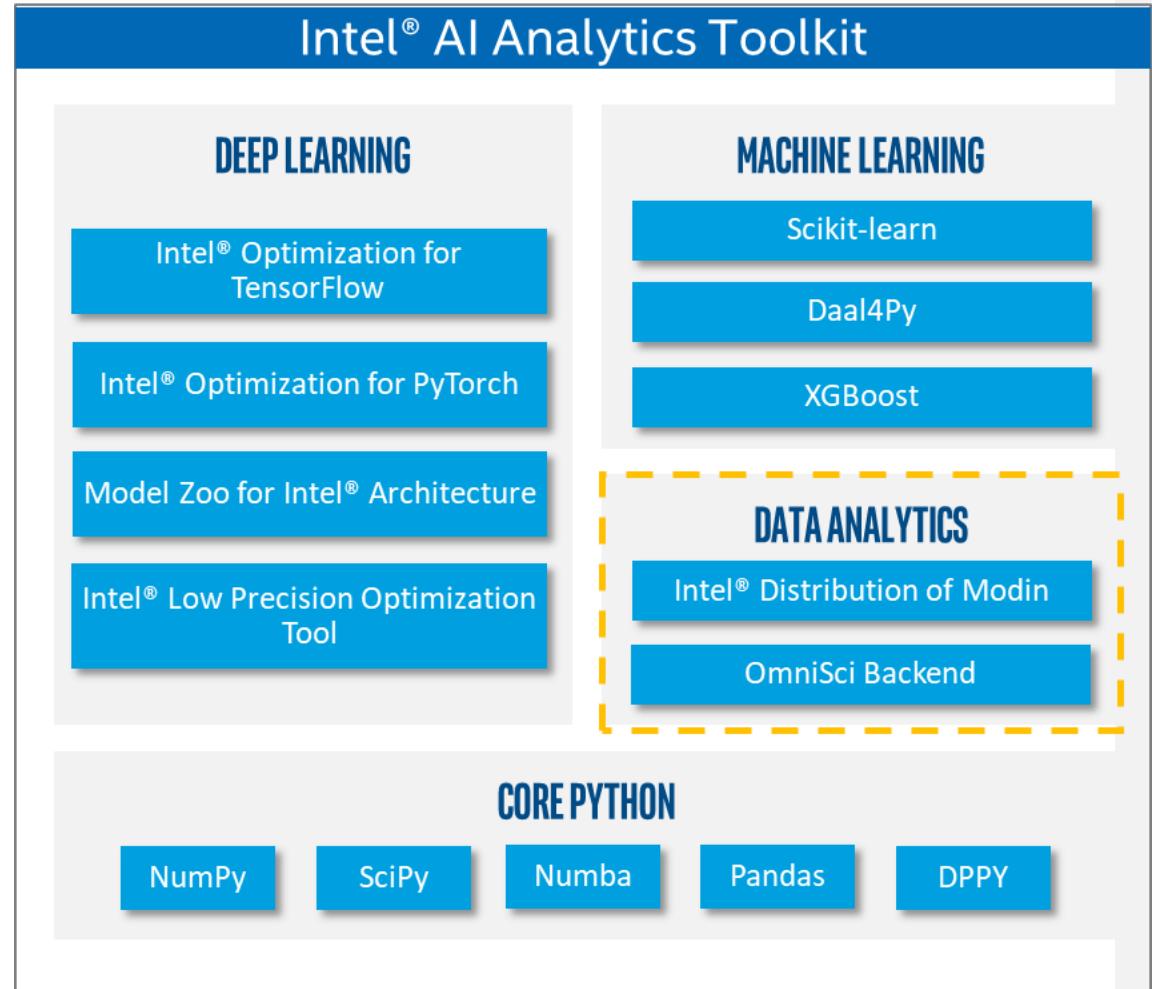
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# Intel distribution of Modin

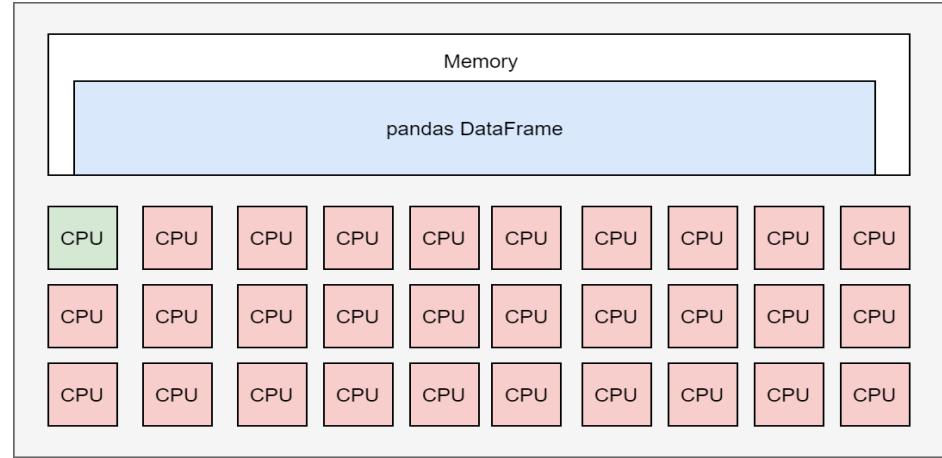
- Accelerate your Pandas\* workloads across multiple cores and multiple nodes
- No upfront cost to learning a new API
  - import modin.pandas as pd
- In the backend, Intel Distribution of Modin is supported by OmniSci\*, a performant framework for end-to-end analytics that has been optimized to harness the computing power of existing and emerging Intel® hardware



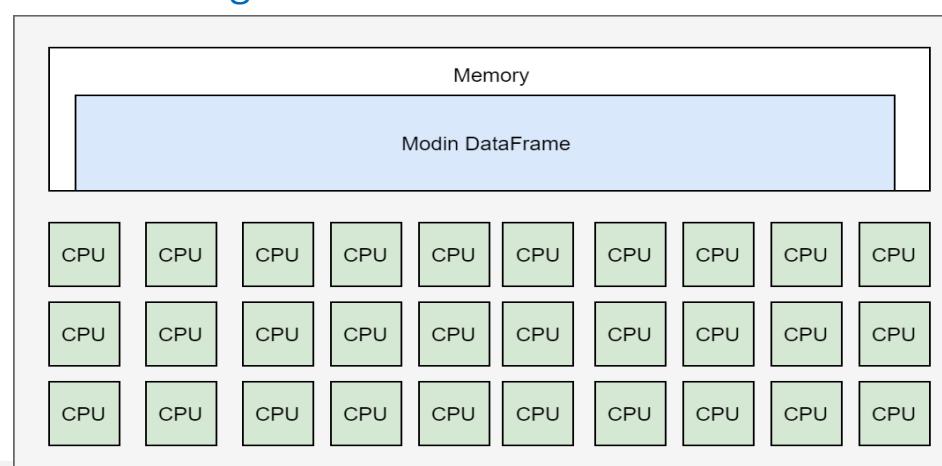
# Intel distribution of Modin

- Recall: No upfront cost to learning a new API
  - import modin.pandas as pd
- Integration with the Python\* ecosystem
- Integration with Ray\*/Dask \*clusters (Run on what you have, even on laptop!)
- To use Modin, *you do not need to know* how many cores your system has, and you do not need to specify how to distribute the data

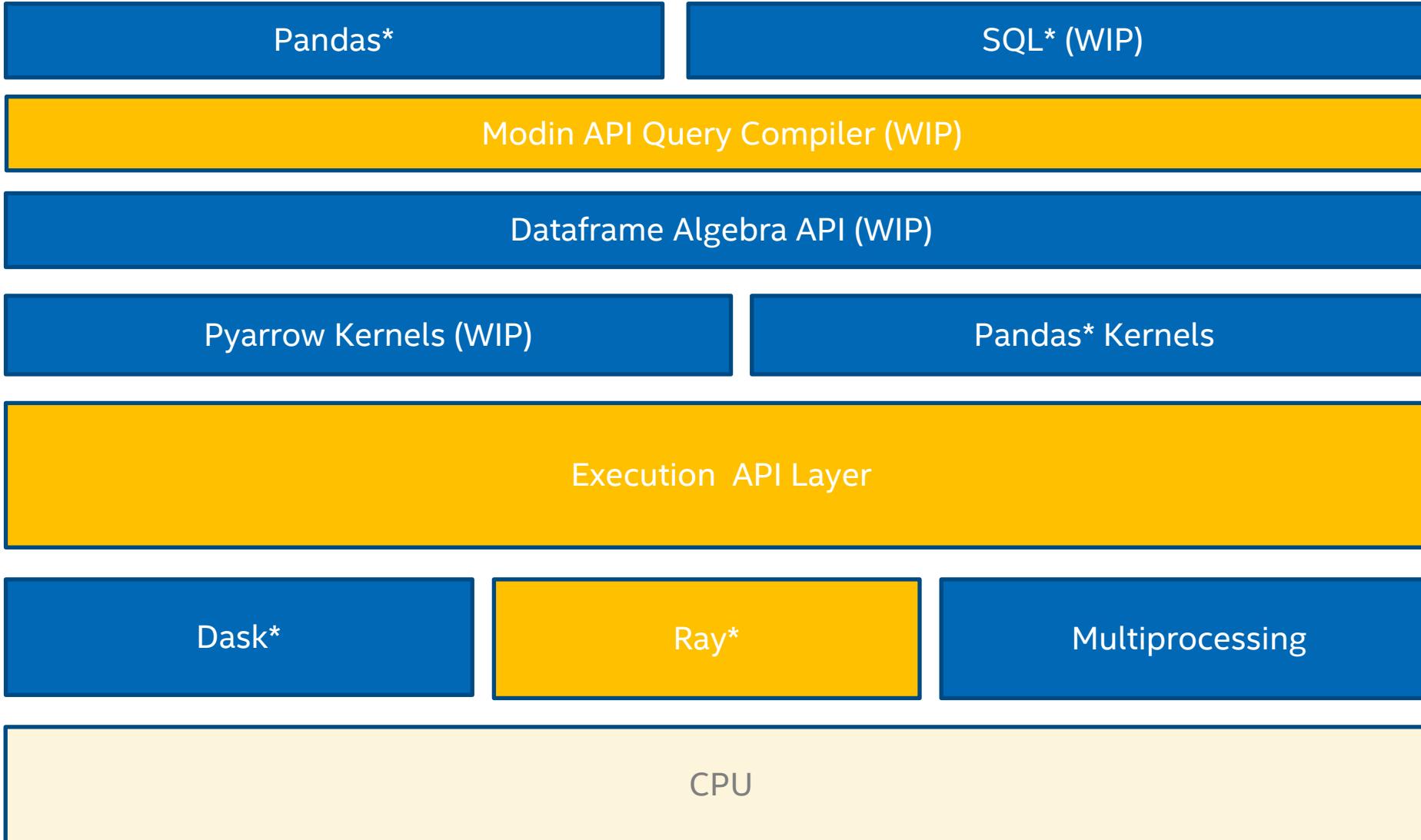
Pandas\* on Big Machine



Modin on Big Machine



# MODIN LAYERED ARCHITECTURAL DIAGRAM - NOW



# Modin

```
import modin.pandas as pd
import numpy as np

def run_etl():

    def cat_converter(x):
        if x is '':
            return np.int32(0)
        else:
            return np.int32(int(x, 16))

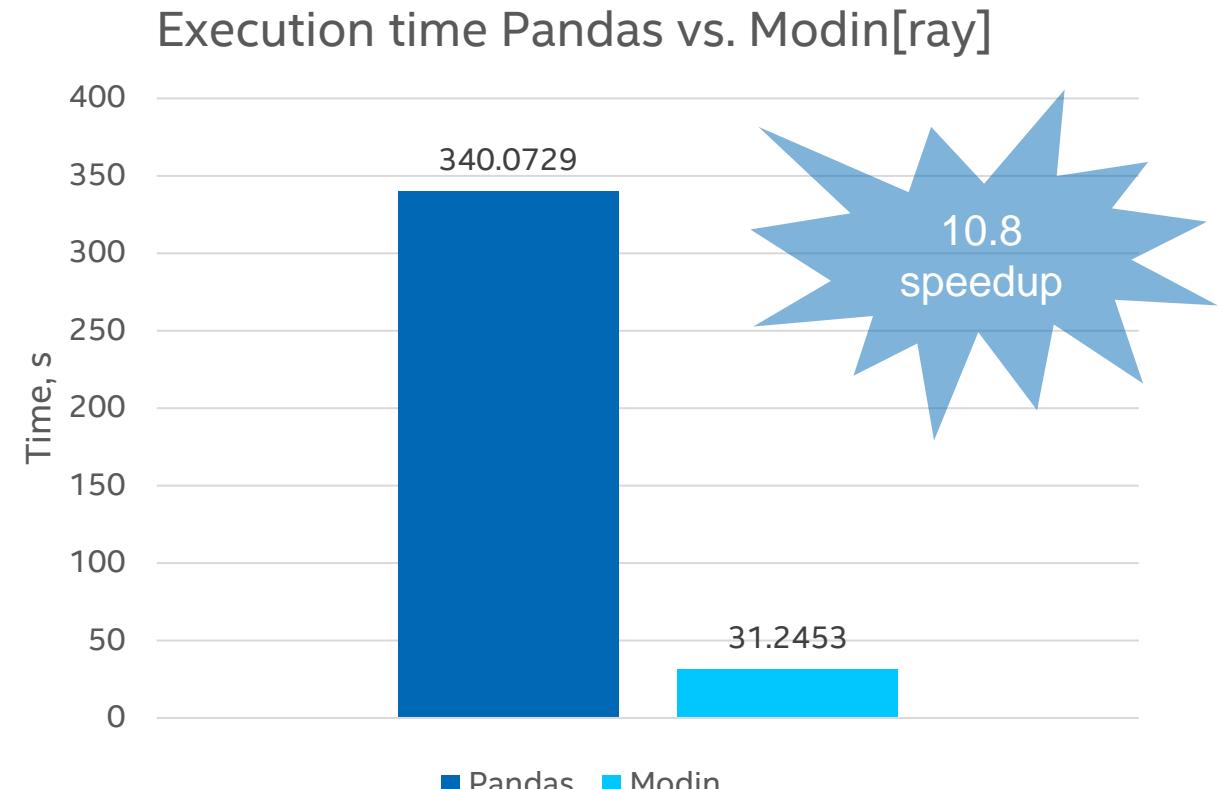
    names = [f"column_{i}" for i in range(40)]
    converter= {names[i]: cat_converter for i in range(14, 40)}

    df = pd.read_csv('data.csv', delimiter='\t', names=names,
                      converters=converter)

    count_y = df.groupby("column_0")["0"].count()

    return df, count_y

df, count_y = run_etl()
```



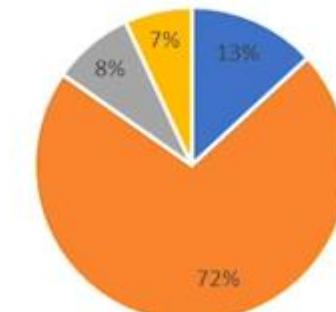
Intel® Xeon™ Gold 6248 CPU @ 2.50GHz, 2x20 cores

- Dataset size: 2.4GB

# End-to-End Data Pipeline Acceleration

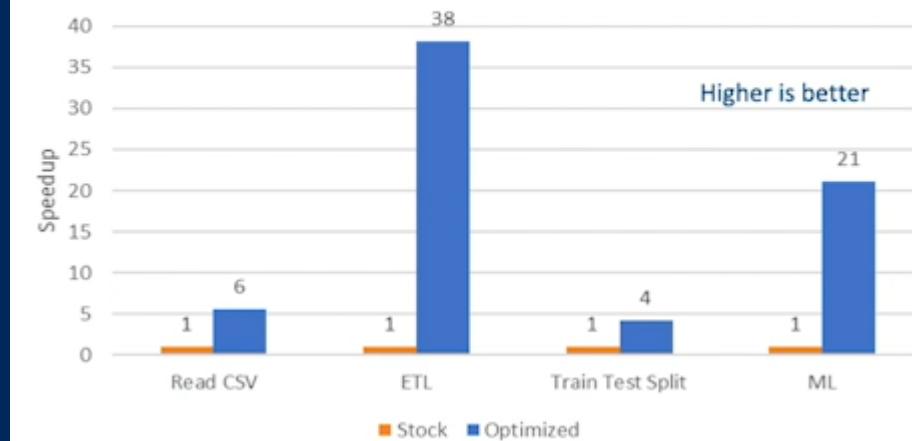
- **Workload:** Train a model using 50yrs of Census dataset from IPUMS.org to predict income based on education
- **Solution:** Intel Modin for data ingestion and ETL, Daal4Py and Intel scikit-learn for model training and prediction
- **Perf Gains:**
  - Read\_CSV (Read from disk and store as a dataframe) : **6x**
  - ETL operations : **38x**
  - Train Test Split : **4x**
  - ML training (fit & predict) with Ridge Regression : **21x**

End-to-End Time Breakdown : Census Education to Income



■ Read CSV ■ Train Test Split ■ ETL ■ ML

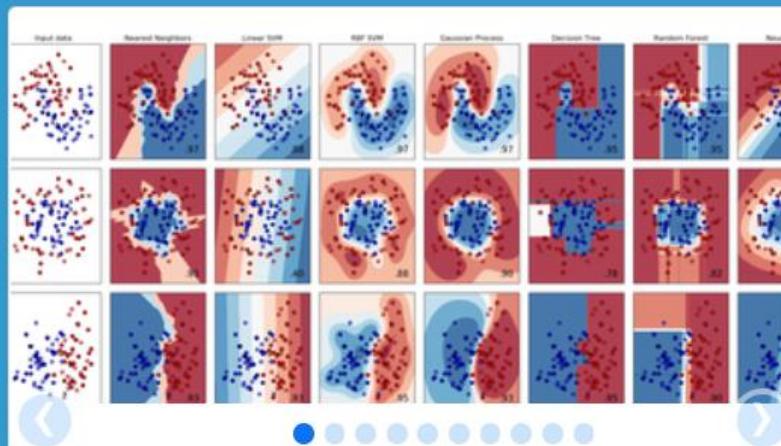
End-to-End Census:  
Speedup with optimized libraries



# Demo

# Intel(R) Extension for Scikit-learn

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The screenshot shows the official scikit-learn website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Home, Installation, Documentation, Examples, Google Custom Search, and a search bar. Below the navigation is a large blue header section featuring the scikit-learn logo and a brief description: "Machine Learning in Python". To the left of the main content area, there's a grid of nine small plots illustrating various machine learning algorithms like SVM, KNN, and Random Forest on different datasets.

## scikit-learn

*Machine Learning in Python*

- Simple and efficient tools for data mining and data analysis
- Accessible to everybody, and reusable in various contexts
- Built on NumPy, SciPy, and matplotlib
- Open source, commercially usable - BSD license

## Classification

Identifying to which category an object belongs to.

**Applications:** Spam detection, Image recognition.

**Algorithms:** SVM, nearest neighbors, random forest, ...

— Examples

## Regression

Predicting a continuous-valued attribute associated with an object.

**Applications:** Drug response, Stock prices.

**Algorithms:** SVR, ridge regression, Lasso, ...

— Examples

## Clustering

Automatic grouping of similar objects into sets.

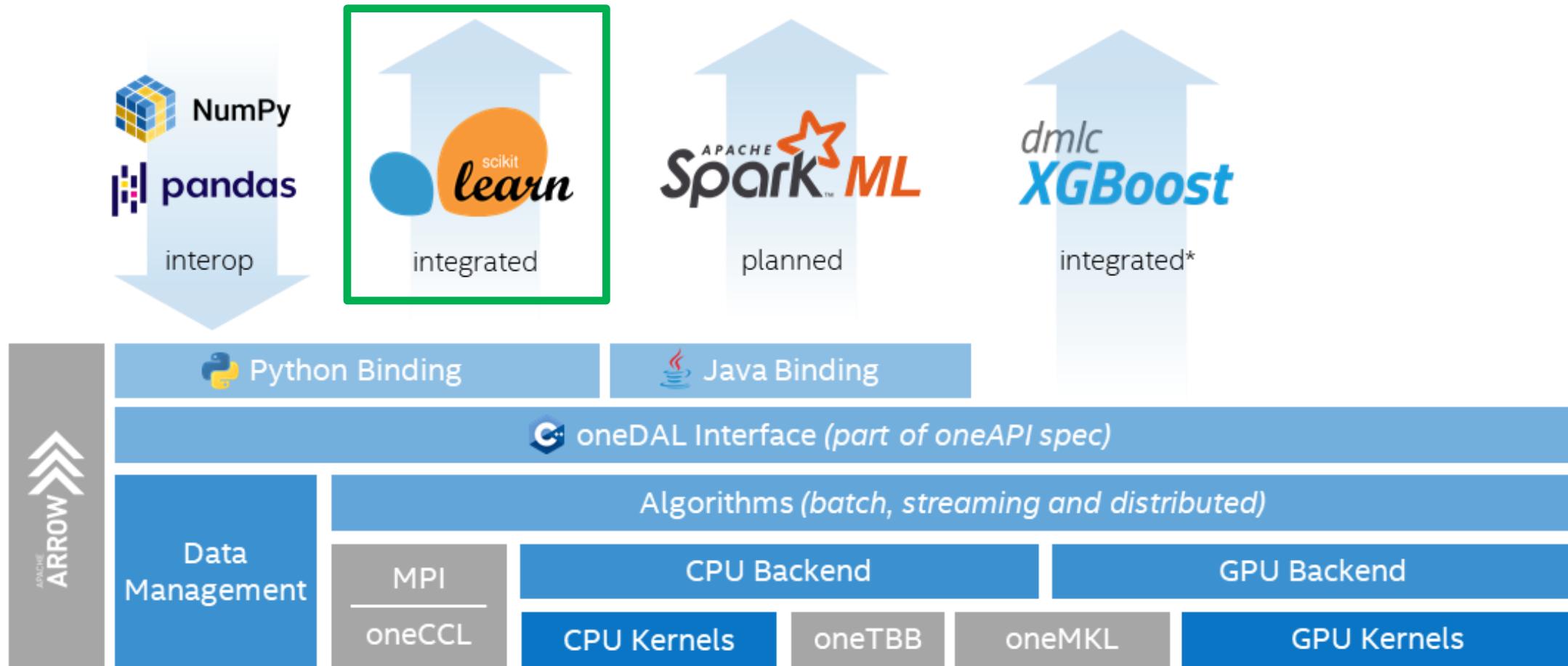
**Applications:** Customer segmentation, Grouping experiment outcomes

**Algorithms:** k-Means, spectral clustering, mean-shift, ...

— Examples

# oneAPI Data Analytics Library (oneDAL)

Optimized building blocks for all stages of data analytics on Intel Architecture



GitHub: <https://github.com/oneapi-src/oneDAL>

# Intel(R) Extension for Scikit-learn

## Common Scikit-learn

```
from sklearn.svm import SVC  
  
X, Y = get_dataset()  
  
clf = SVC().fit(X, y)  
res = clf.predict(X)
```

## Scikit-learn mainline

## Scikit-learn with Intel CPU opts

```
import daal4py as d4p  
d4p.patch_sklearn()  
  
from sklearn.svm import SVC  
  
X, Y = get_dataset()  
  
clf = SVC().fit(X, y)  
res = clf.predict(X)
```

**Available** through Intel conda  
(conda install daal4py -c intel)

```
> python -m daal4py <your-scikit-learn-script>
```

Same Code,  
Same Behavior



- Scikit-learn, not scikit-learn-like
- Scikit-learn conformance  
(mathematical equivalence)  
defined by Scikit-learn  
Consortium,  
continuously vetted by public CI

Monkey-patch any scikit-  
learn\*  
on the command-line

## Common Scikit-learn

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## Scikit-learn with daal4py optimizations

```
from sklearnex import patch_sklearn  
patch_sklearn()  
  
from sklearn.svm import SVC  
  
X, Y = get_dataset()  
clf = SVC().fit(X, y)  
res = clf.predict(X)
```

# Available algorithms

- Accelerated IDP Scikit-learn algorithms:
  - Linear/Ridge Regression
  - Logistic Regression
  - ElasticNet/LASSO
  - PCA
  - K-means
  - DBSCAN
  - SVC
  - `train_test_split()`, `assume_all_finite()`
  - Random Forest Regression/Classification - DAAL 2020.3
  - kNN (kd-tree and brute force) - DAAL 2020.3

# Intel optimized Scikit-Learn



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Same Behavior

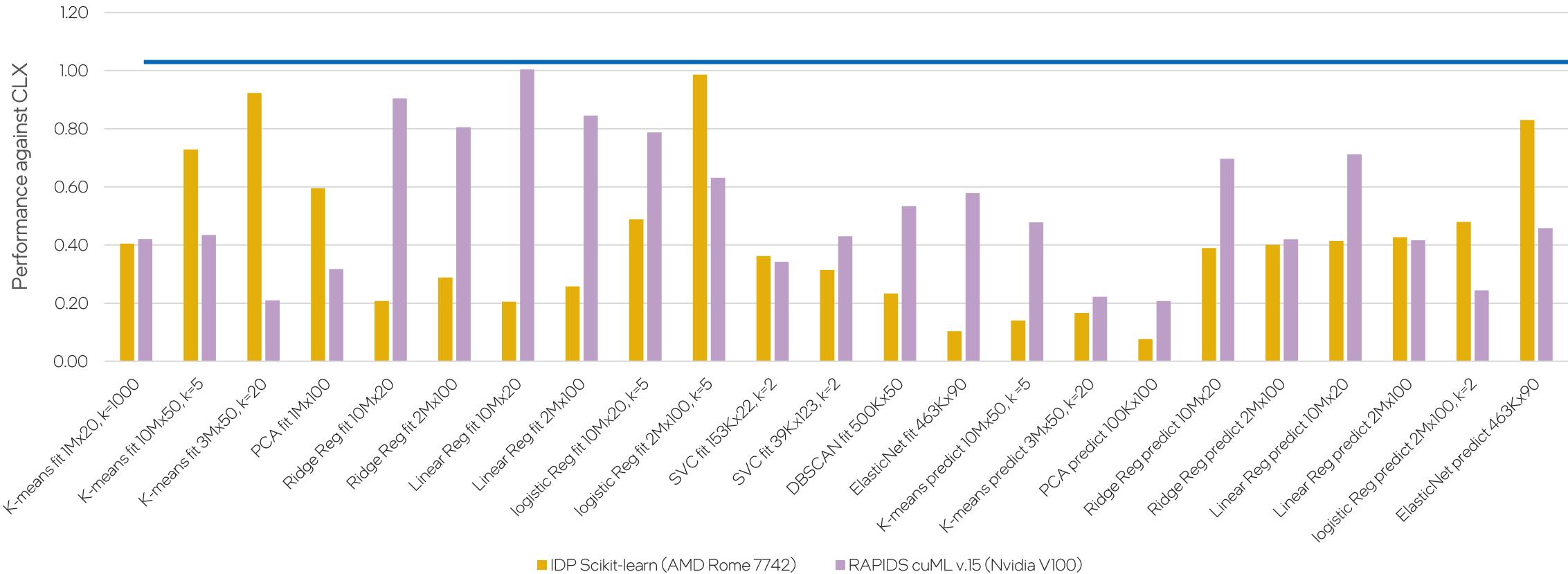


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HW: Intel Xeon Platinum 8276L CPU @ 2.20GHz, 2 sockets, 28 cores per socket;

Details: <https://medium.com/intel-analytics-software/accelerate-your-scikit-learn-applications-a06cacf44912>

# Competitor's Relative Performance vs. Intel® Distribution for Python\* (IDP) with Scikit-learn\* from the Intel® AI Analytics Toolkit (Intel = 1)



**Testing Date:** Performance results are based on testing by Intel as of **October 23, 2020** and may not reflect all publicly available security updates.

**Configuration Details and Workload Setup:** Intel® oneDAL beta10, Scikit-Learn 0.23.1, Intel® Distribution for Python 3.7, Intel® AI Analytics Toolkit 2021.1, Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8280 CPU @ 2.70GHz, 2 sockets, 28 cores per socket, microcode: 0x4003003, total available memory 376 GB, 12X32GB modules, DDR4. AMD Configuration: AMD Rome 7742 @ 2.25 GHz, 2 sockets, 64 cores per socket, microcode: 0x8301038, total available memory 512 GB, 16X32GB modules, DDR4, Intel® oneDAL beta10, Scikit-learn 0.23.1, Intel® Distribution for Python 3.7. NVIDIA Configuration: Nvidia Tesla V100-16Gb, total available memory 376 GB, 12X32GB modules, DDR4, Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8280 CPU @ 2.70GHz, 2 sockets, 28 cores per socket, microcode: 0x5003003, cuDF 0.15, cuML 0.15, CUDA 10.2.89, driver 440.33.01, Operation System: CentOS Linux 7 (Core), Linux 4.19.36 kernel.

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Performance varies by use, configuration, and other factors. Learn more at [www.intel.com/PerformanceIndex](http://www.intel.com/PerformanceIndex). Your costs and results may vary.

# Demo

# XGBoost

# Gradient Boosting - Overview

Gradient Boosting:

- Boosting algorithm (Decision Trees - base learners)
- Solve many types of ML problems  
(classification, regression, learning to rank)
- Highly-accurate, widely used by Data Scientists
- Compute intensive workload
- Known implementations: XGBoost\*, LightGBM\*, CatBoost\*, Intel® oneDAL, ...

# Gradient Boosting Acceleration – gain sources

## Pseudocode for XGBoost\* (0.81) implementation

```
def ComputeHist(node):
    hist = []
    for i in samples:
        for f in features:
            bin = bin_matrix[i][f]
            hist[bin].g += g[i]
            hist[bin].h += h[i]
    return hist

def BuildLvl:
    for node in nodes:
        ComputeHist(node)

    for node in nodes:
        for f in features:
            FindBestSplit(node, f)

    for node in nodes:
        SamplePartition(node)
```

Memory prefetching  
to mitigate  
irregular memory access

Usage uint8 instead of  
uint32

SIMD instructions  
instead of scalar code

Nested parallelism

Advanced parallelism,  
reducing seq loops

Usage of AVX-512,  
vcompress instruction  
(from Skylake)

## Pseudocode for Intel® oneDAL implementation

```
def ComputeHist(node):
    hist = []
    for i in samples:
        prefetch(bin_matrix[i + 10])
        for f in features:
            bin = bin_matrix[i][f]
            bin_value = load(hist[2*bin])
            bin_value = add(bin_value, gh[i])
            store(hist[2*bin], bin_value)
    return hist

def BuildLvl:
    parallel_for node in nodes:
        ComputeHist(node)

    parallel_for node in nodes:
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    parallel_for node in nodes:
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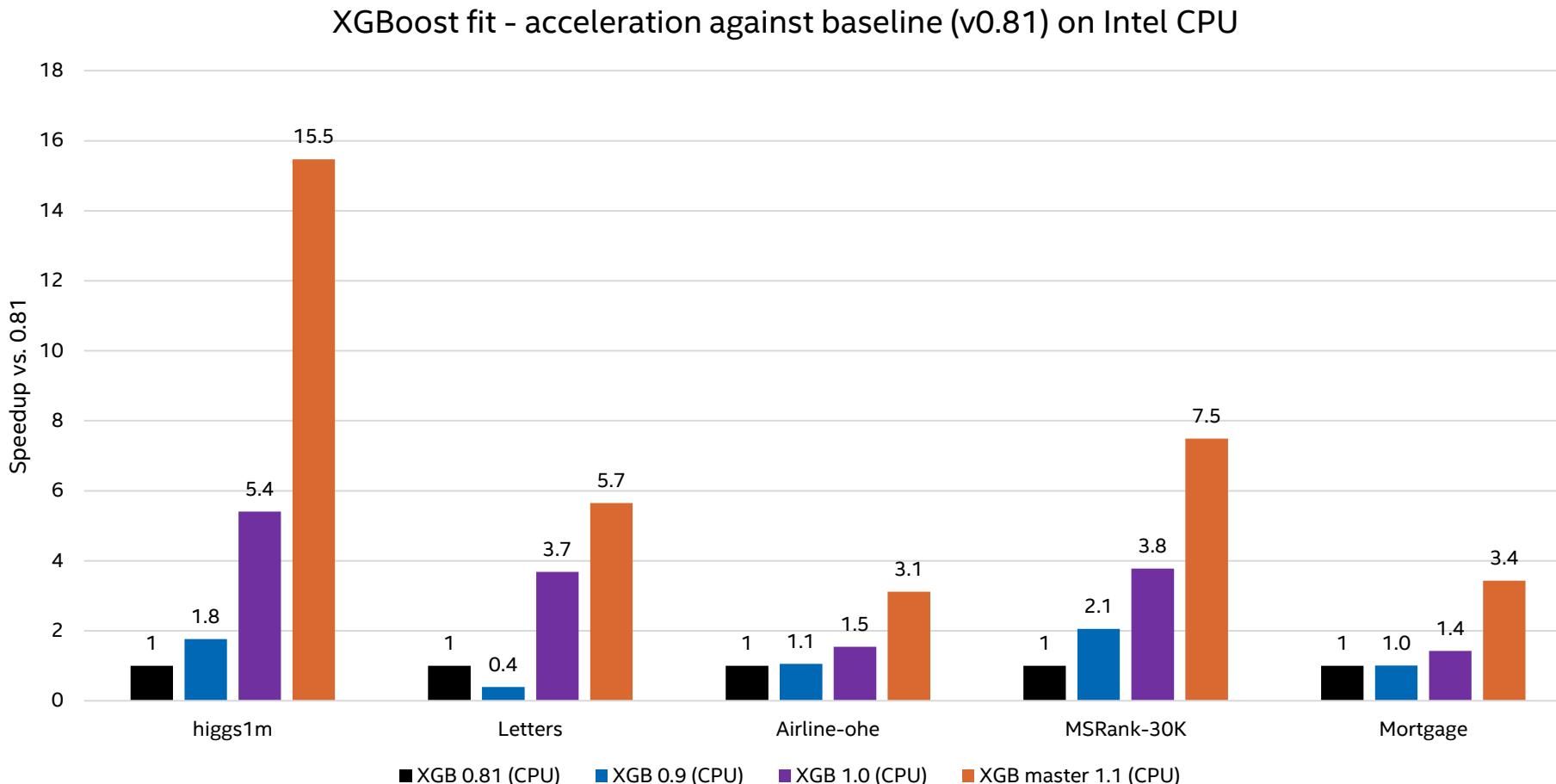
Legend:

Moved from Intel®  
oneDAL to  
XGBoost (v1.3)

Already available in Intel®  
DAAL, potential  
optimizations for XGBoost\*

Training stage

# XGBoost\* fit CPU acceleration (“hist” method)



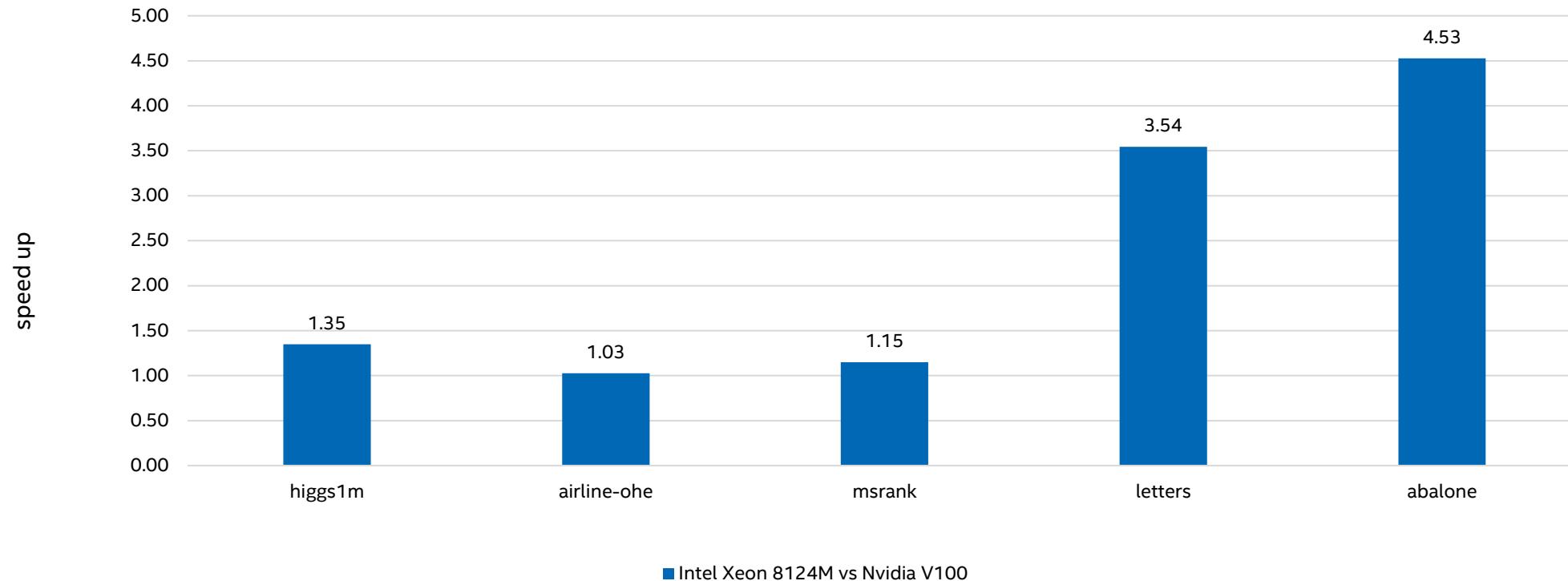
+ Reducing memory consumption

memory, Kb	Airline	Higgs1m
Before	28311860	1907812
#5334	16218404	1155156
reduced:	1.75	1.65

CPU configuration: c5.24xlarge AWS Instance, CLX 8275 @ 3.0GHz, 2 sockets, 24 cores per socket, HT:on, DRAM (12 slots / 32GB / 2933 MHz)

# XGBoost\* CPU vs. GPU

XGBoost\* fit v1.1 CPU vs GPU speed-up, (higher is better for Intel)



**Details:** <https://medium.com/intel-analytics-software/new-optimizations-for-cpu-in-xgboost-1-1-81144ea21115>

**CPU:** c5.18xlarge AWS Instance (2 x Intel® Xeon Platinum 8124M @ 18 cores, OS: Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS, 193 GB RAM.

**GPU:** p3.2xlarge AWS Instance (GPU: NVIDIA Tesla V100 16GB, 8 vCPUs), OS: Ubuntu 18.04.2 LTS, 61 GB RAM.

**SW:** XGBoost 1.1:build from sources. compiler – G++ 7.4, nvcc 9.1. Intel DAAL: 2019.4 version, downloaded from conda. Python env: Python 3.6, Numpy 1.16.4, Pandas 0.25, Scikit-learn 0.21.2.

**Testing Date:** 5/18/2020

# XGBoost\* and LightGBM\* Prediction Acceleration with Daal4Py

- Custom-trained XGBoost\* and LightGBM\* Models utilize Gradient Boosting Tree (GBT) from Daal4Py library for performance on CPUs
- No accuracy loss; 23x performance boost by simple model conversion into daal4py GBT:

```
# Train common XGBoost model as usual
xgb_model = xgb.train(params, X_train)

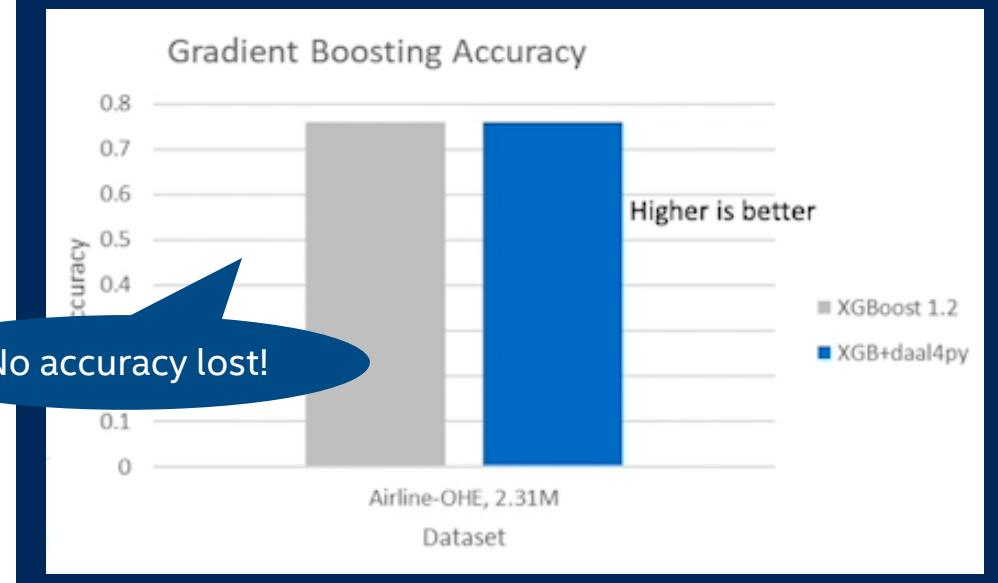
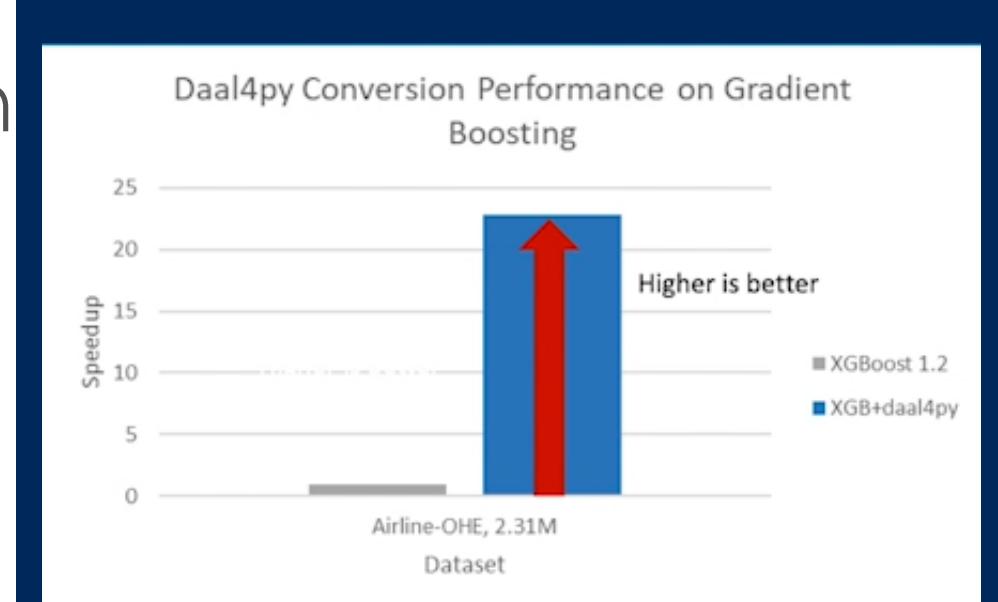
import daal4py as d4p

# XGBoost model to DAAL model
daal_model = d4p.get_gbt_model_from_xgboost(xgb_model)

# make fast prediction with DAAL
daal_prediction = d4p.gbt_classification_prediction(...).compute(X_test, daal_model)
```

- Advantages of daal4py GBT model:
  - More efficient model representation in memory
  - Avx512 instruction set usage
  - Better L1/L2 caches locality

For more complete information about performance and benchmark results, visit [www.intel.com/benchmarks](http://www.intel.com/benchmarks).  
See backup for configuration details.



No accuracy lost!

# Demo

# QnA