Real-time, robust, and reliable (R^3) machine learning across wireless networks

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Project Introduction

- Phones, cars, and other devices will all want to start using ML/Al applications
- Leverage the cloud to help them with this
- Issue: Latency, security



Example Scenario: Security System



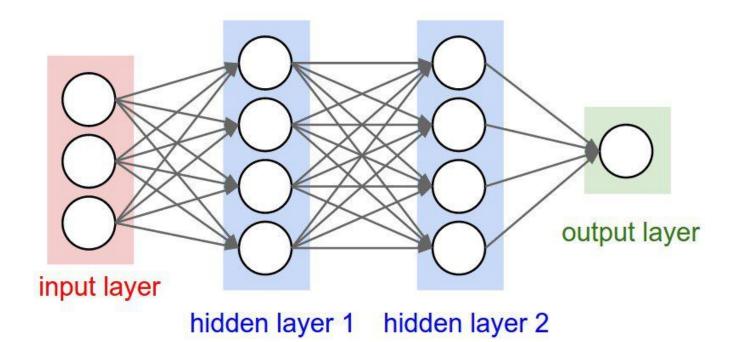
Problem: When should phones offload to the cloud and ask for help?

- 1.) Al Model
- 2.) Strategies to offload
- 3.) Network conditions
- 4.) Evaluate

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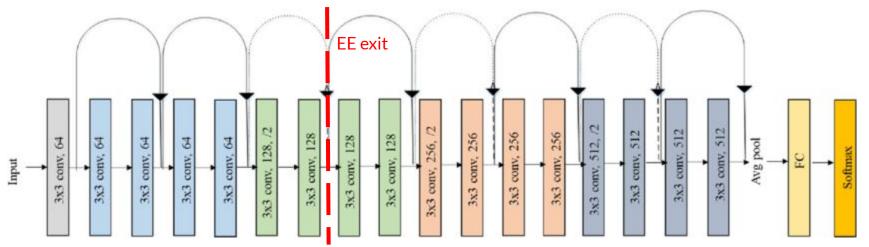


What is a Neural Network?



Choice of Model - ResNet18

- Popular model available
- Accuracy of 92.42%



CIFAR-10 Dataset

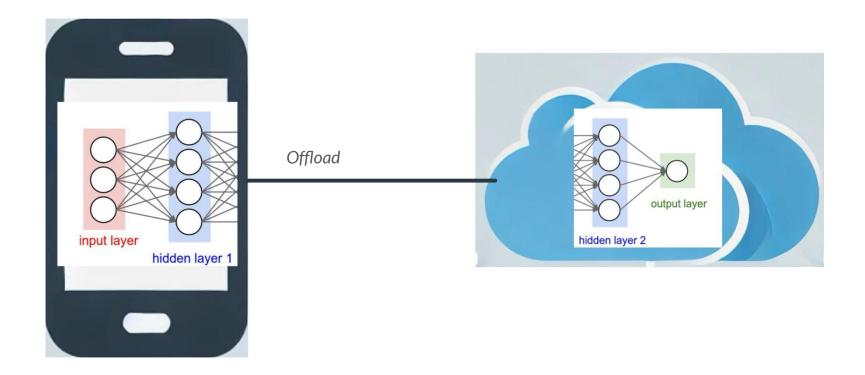
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 Commonly used for machine learning models



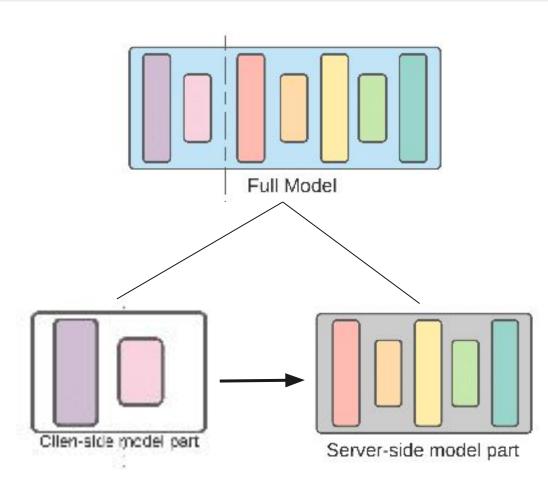
Offloading Strategies

Offloading Explained



Early Exiting

- Take full model, split into a small model and larger one
- Client device gets smaller one, tries to make prediction



Networking Conditions

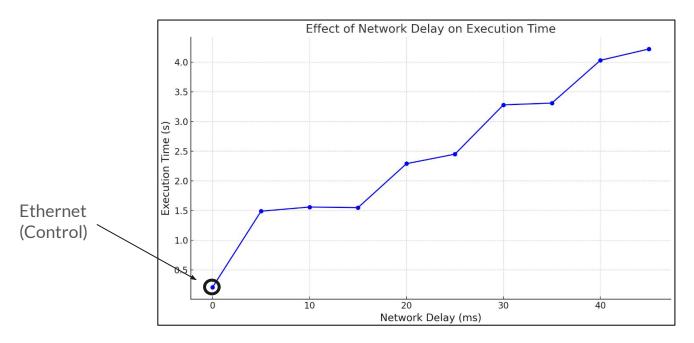
Speed

- Python's Fast API to communicate with server and device
- Sending tensors as buffer streams instead of JSON

Processing 500 images/second over an ethernet connection



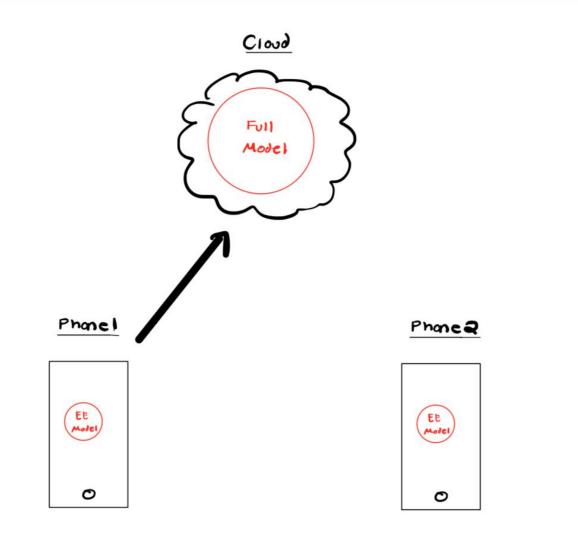
Effects of Network Speed

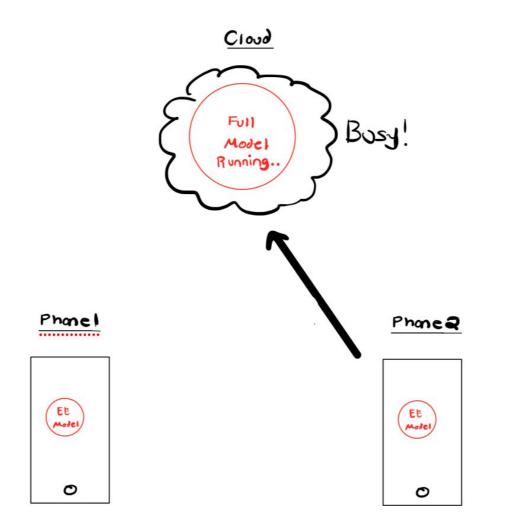


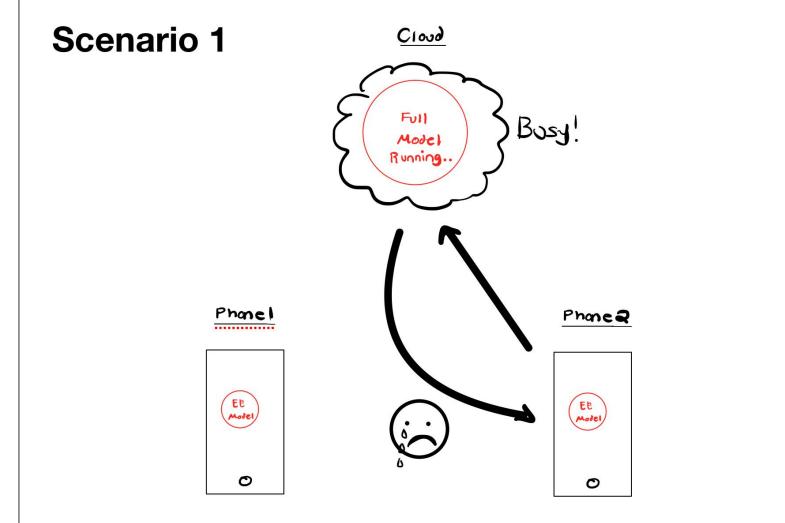


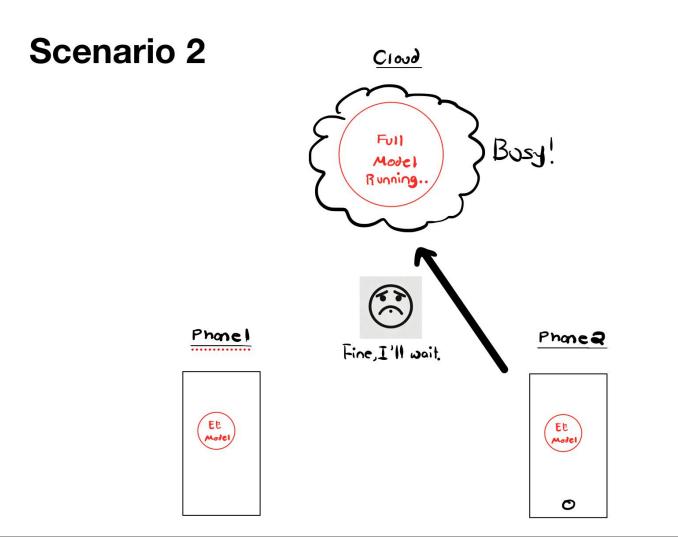
Experiment Objective

Simulated a busy server and evaluated the different strategies client devices could use to obtain optimal results.

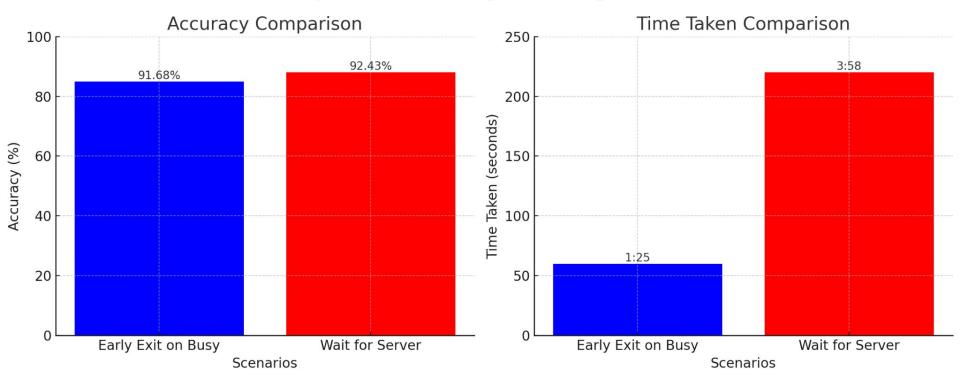


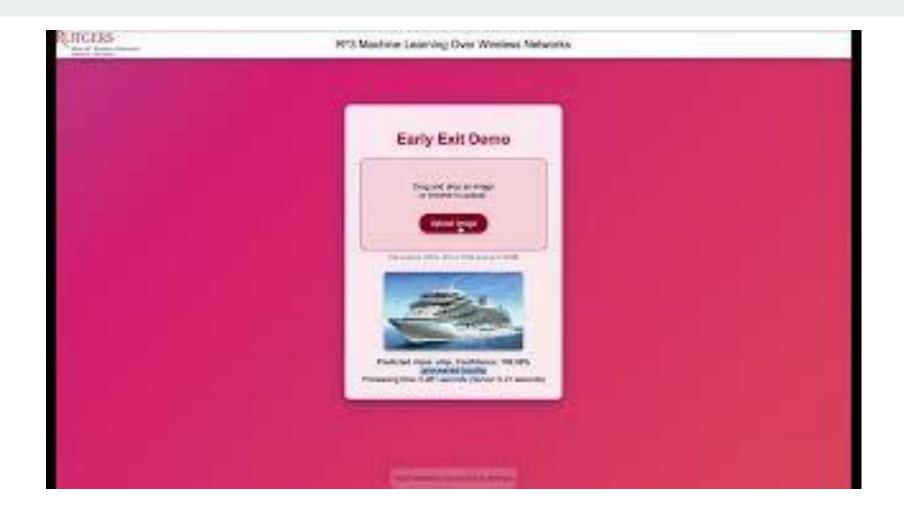






Comparison of Scenarios: Early Exit vs. Waiting for Server





Conclusions

- For a small ↓ in accuracy, we can get ↑ in speed by offloading when needed
- Applications may prioritize accuracy or latency
- Challenges:
 - Managing multiple clients in real life
 - Model portability for micro devices
 - Performance in weak wireless connections



Future Work

- Compress and optimize models
- Explore dynamic thresholds
- Train the model with diverse datasets
- Investigate other types of models



Thank You!