

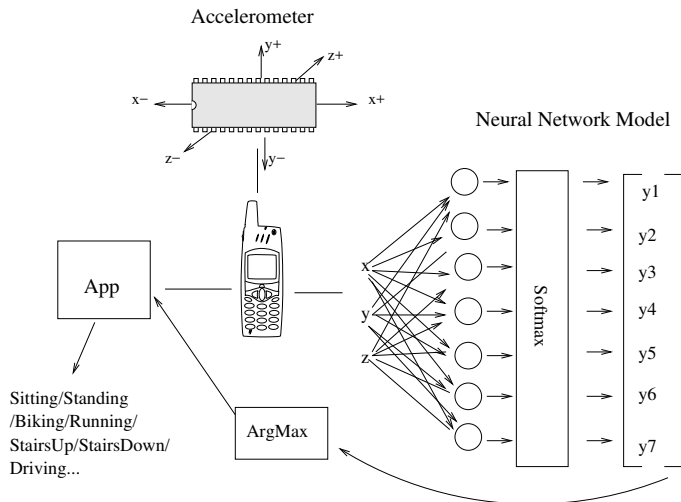
# Distributed LSTM training - Predicting Human Activities on Edge Devices

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# The prediction task



**Figure:** The mobile app will read data from the phone's accelerometer and feed that into a neural network model for predicting human activities

# Background

- Open source Heterogeneity Activity Recognition Data Set<sup>1</sup>
- Data collected by Stisen et al.<sup>2</sup>
- Magnitude  $\sim$  10GB with sliding windows
- LSTM model inspiration from Venelin Valkov<sup>3</sup>
- Distributed training with TensorFlowOnSpark<sup>4</sup> running on hops.site

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<sup>1</sup><https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Heterogeneity+Activity+Recognition>

<sup>2</sup>Allan Stisen et al. "Smart Devices Are Different: Assessing and Mitigating Mobile Sensing Heterogeneities for Activity Recognition". In: *Proceedings of the 13th ACM Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems*. SenSys '15. Seoul, South Korea: ACM, 2015, pp. 127–140. ISBN: 978-1-4503-3631-4. DOI: 10.1145/2809695.2809718. URL: <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/2809695.2809718>.

<sup>3</sup>Venelin Valkov. *Human Activity Recognition using LSTMs on Android TensorFlow for Hackers*. <https://medium.com/@curiously/human-activity-recognition-using-lstms-on-android-tensorflow-for-hackers-part-vi-492da5adef64>. 2017.

<sup>4</sup><https://github.com/yahoo/TensorFlowOnSpark>

# Data Exploration

Output classes

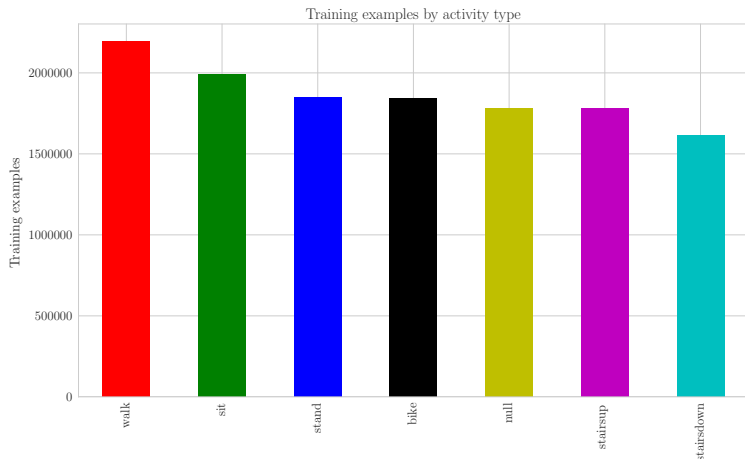
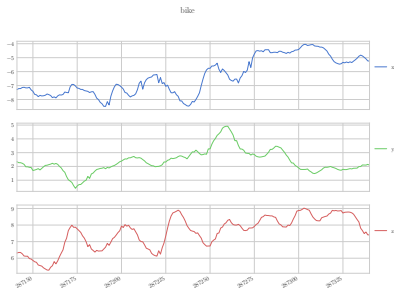


Figure: Distribution of classes among training examples

# Data Exploration

## Sensor data



(a) Sensor input for the activity "bike"



(b) Sensor input for the activity "sit"

Figure: Sensor inputs for the activities "bike" and "sit".  $x$  = blue,  $y$  = green,  $z$  = red

## Neural Network Model

- Two FCC Layers
- Two LSTM layers
- Size<sup>5</sup>=

$$N_{bits}(3 \cdot 64 + 2(4(64^2 + 64^2))) + 64 \cdot 7 = 32 \cdot 66176 = 2117632b \approx 260KB$$

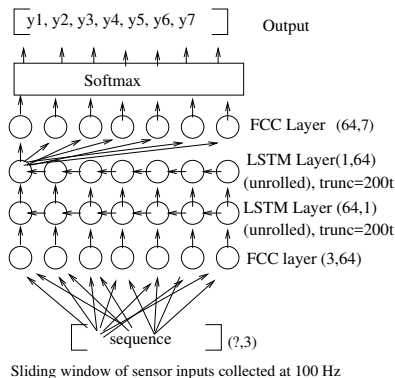


Figure: Neural Network Model

<sup>5</sup>Bias terms are excluded from this calculation. Each LSTM cell has 4 input gates, each one having one input weight matrix  $W$  of size  $64^2$  and one input recurrent weight matrix  $U$  of size  $64^2$ .

# Distributed Training & On-edge Inference

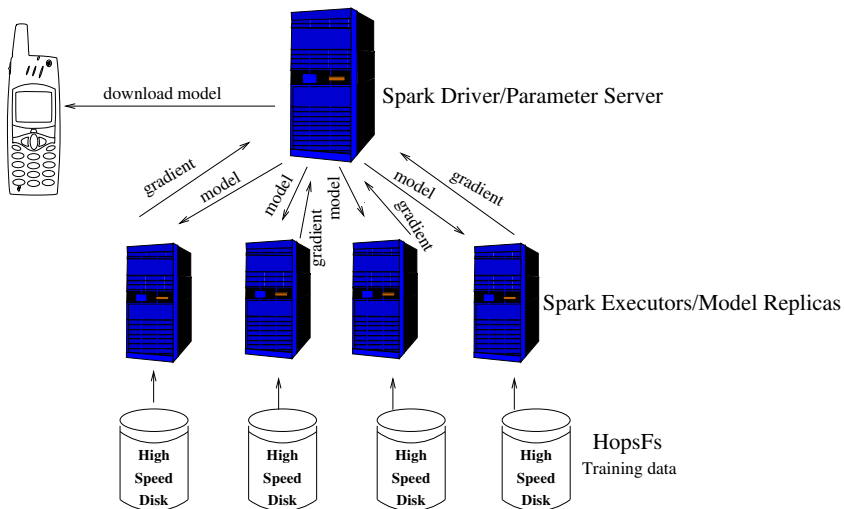
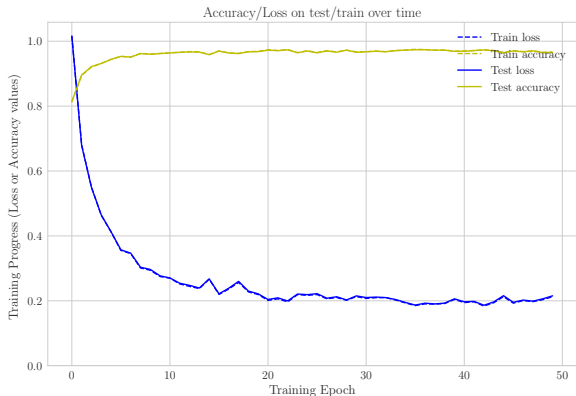


Figure: Distributed synchronous/asynchronous SGD on hops. Final model is frozen and downloaded to mobile client.

# Results

Accuracy for single node training

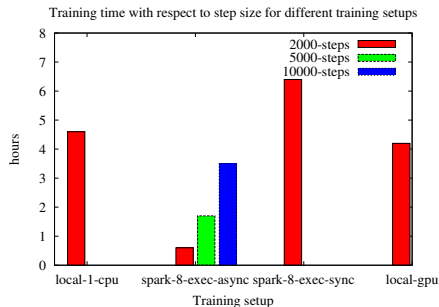


**Figure:** Accuracy and Loss over time during training for 50 epochs. **Best result: 97% accuracy (24h training on single machine)** Each epoch accounts for  $\approx$  510 batches. Batch size = 1000 sequences of length 200

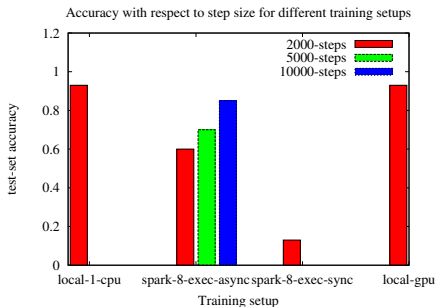


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## Training Time



(a) Training time benchmarks



(b) Accuracy benchmarks

**Figure:** Asynchronous SGD yielded **near linear training speedup** but **slower convergence**. Synchronous SGD was the slowest and suffered from exploding gradients (NaN loss). This indicates that the **learning rate need to be fine-tuned for distributed training**. TF-GPUs don't support full LSTM operations, did only give small boost over CPU.

# App Facts and Demo

- Model size -  $\approx 1.5$  MB. Huge models, for example, Google's Inception V3 up to  $\approx 100$  MB.
- TensorFlow libraries for Android (if you want to target all CPU architectures)  $\approx 50$  MB. Can be reduced in Android 8 using Neural Network API.
- Core ML in iOS 11, support for frozen TensorFlow models.
- Emulator and live demo!

# Questions?

- Try the code: project **har\_2** on `hops.site`.
- Public Dataset folder : **HAR\_Dataset/** The folder contains:
  - **README.md** with details about the data, preprocessing, the notebooks, and evaluation.
  - **The dataset** in its original form and its cleaned form
  - **Notebooks** for preprocessing the data, training with gpu, training with cpu, training with spark-sync-SGD, and training with spark-async-SGD
  - **Android App** for inference with a frozen version of the model on android phones.