

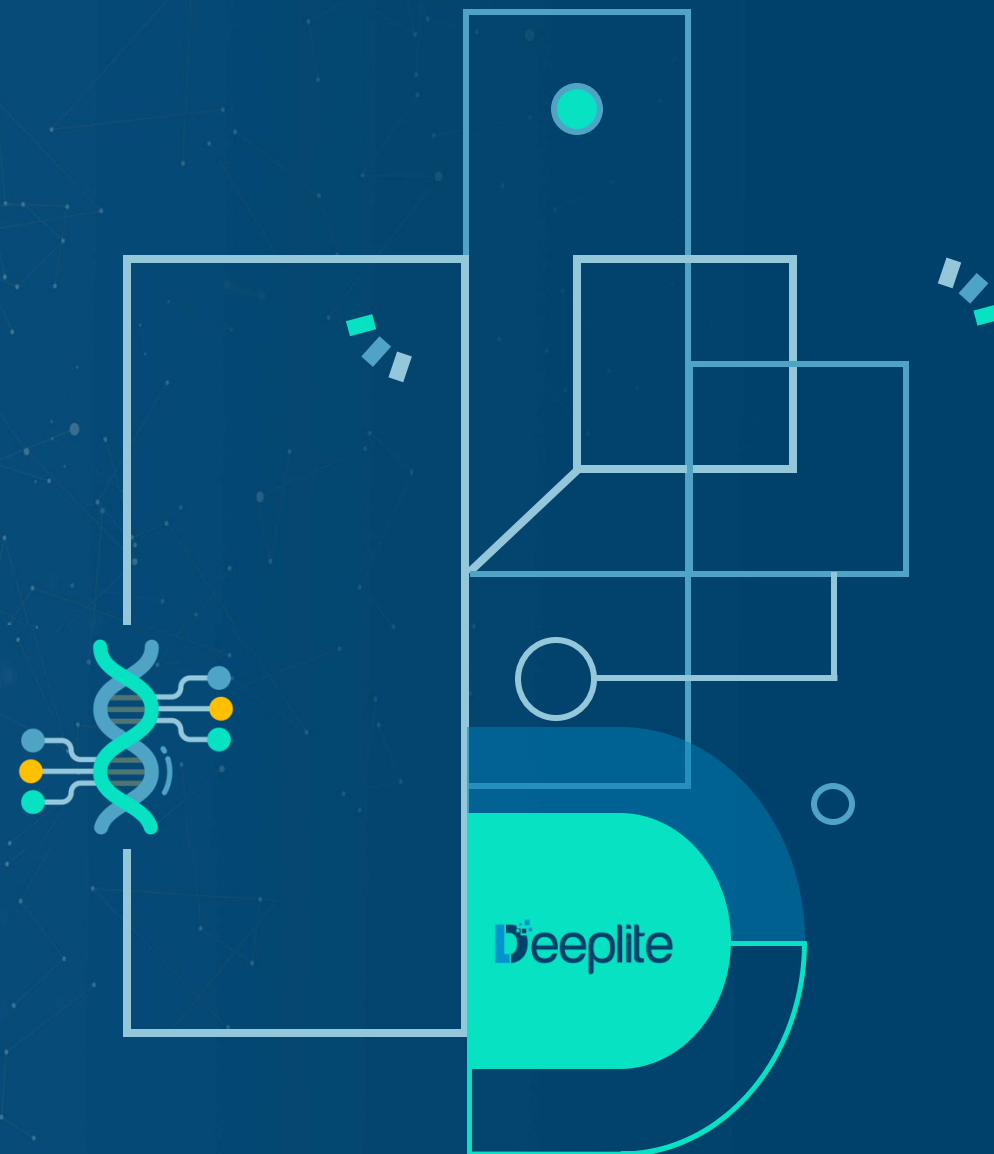


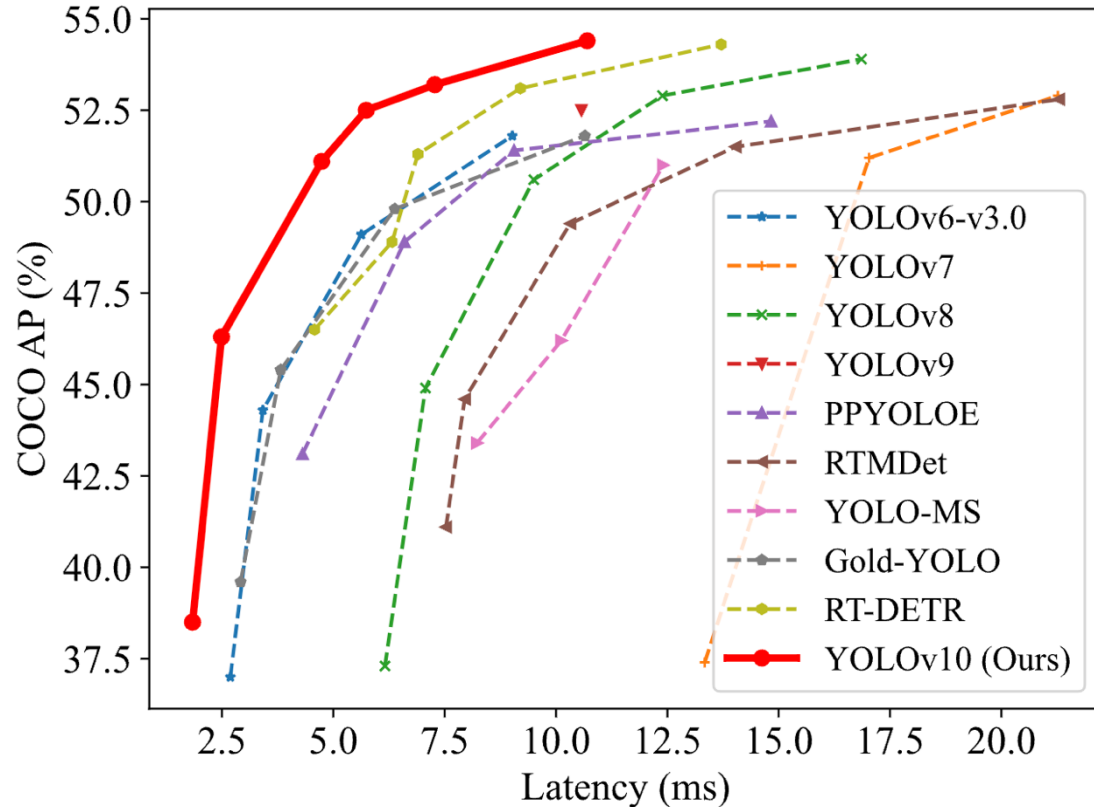
Optimized AI Models for the Edge

MCUBench: A Benchmark of Tiny Object Detectors on MCUs

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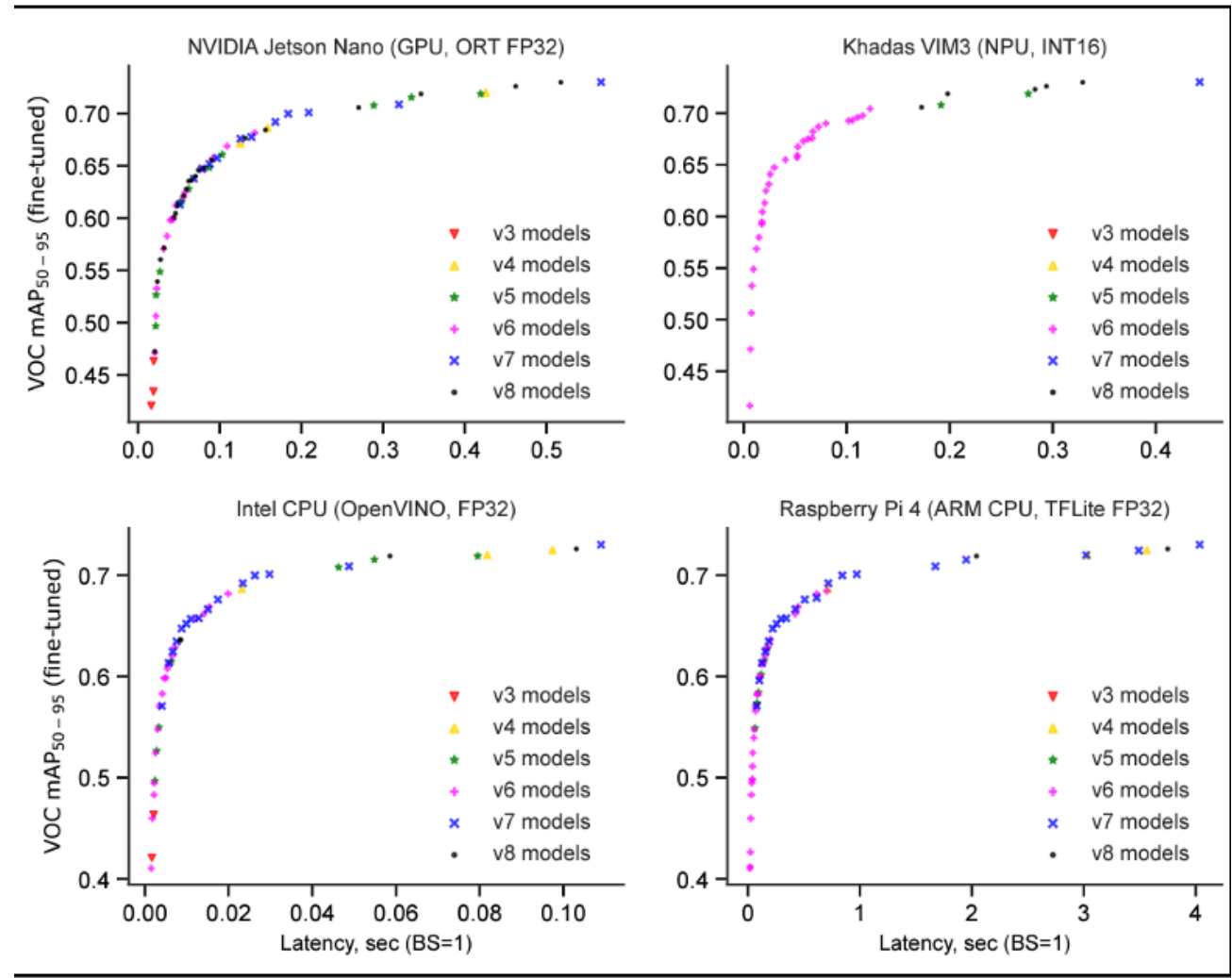
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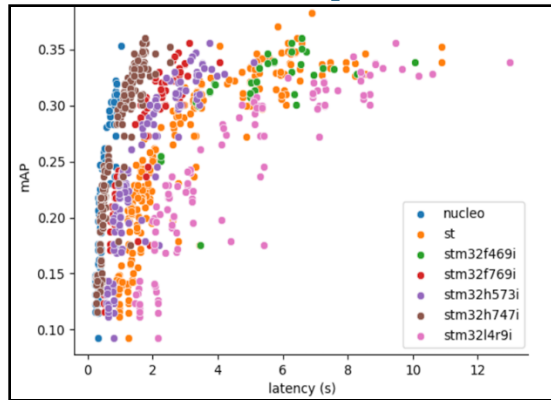
- YOLOv3...YOLOv10 and counting
- New family demonstrate better latency-mAP tradeoff
- Latency-mAP curve holds for GPUs (not for Edge devices)

- **Challenge** – Best YOLO model for edge devices given RAM, flash, latency constraint
- **Benchmarking and optimizing AI models** for edge computing can improve the performance and efficiency of IoT devices.
- **MCUBench** is a comprehensive benchmark of over 100 tiny YOLO-based OD models specifically designed for MCU-grade hardware.





Build Initial Search Space

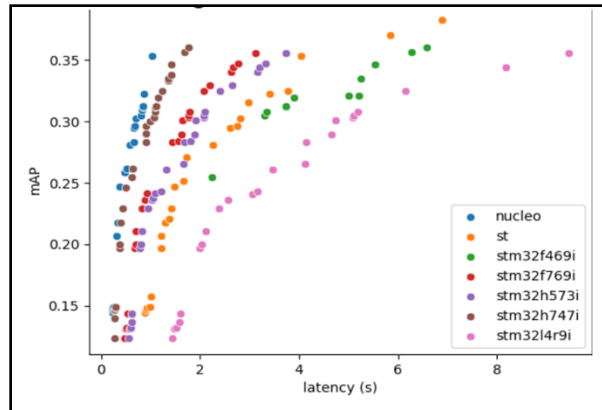


240 Models

- Width, depth, activation ...



Model Pre-selection

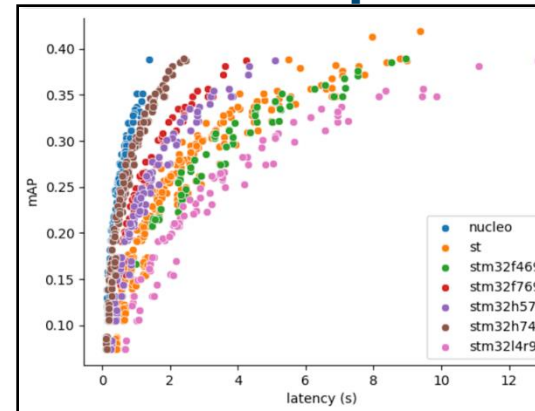


72 Models

- Benchmark on MCUs
- Compute per device pareto models
- Combine pareto models



Expand Search Space

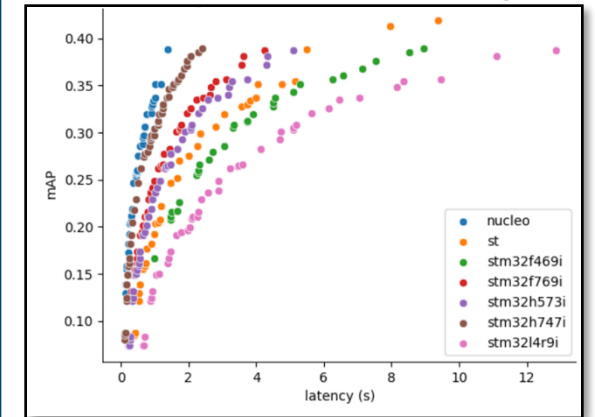


288 Models

- Resolution variation
- Benchmark on MCUs



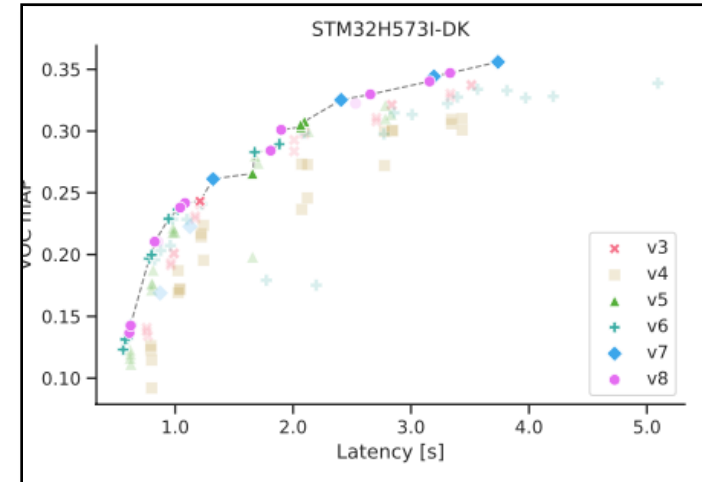
Final Model Ranking



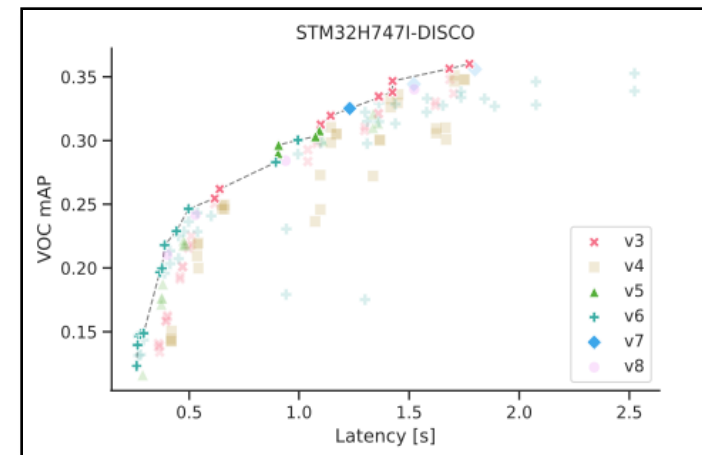
131 Models

- Compute per device Pareto
- Combine pareto models

- **Comprehensive Benchmark:**
 - Over 100 tiny YOLO-based benchmark models
- **Datasets and Analysis:**
 - VOC/COCO,
 - 7 MCUs
- **Fixed Training Pipeline:**
 - Fixed training loop, head,
 - vary backbones, necks, activations, and resolutions.
- **Performance Analysis**
 - V8 models are not always the best models
- **Open Source**
 - Trained weights
 - Hugging Face
 - Deeplite Studio
 - Benchmark values on MCUs

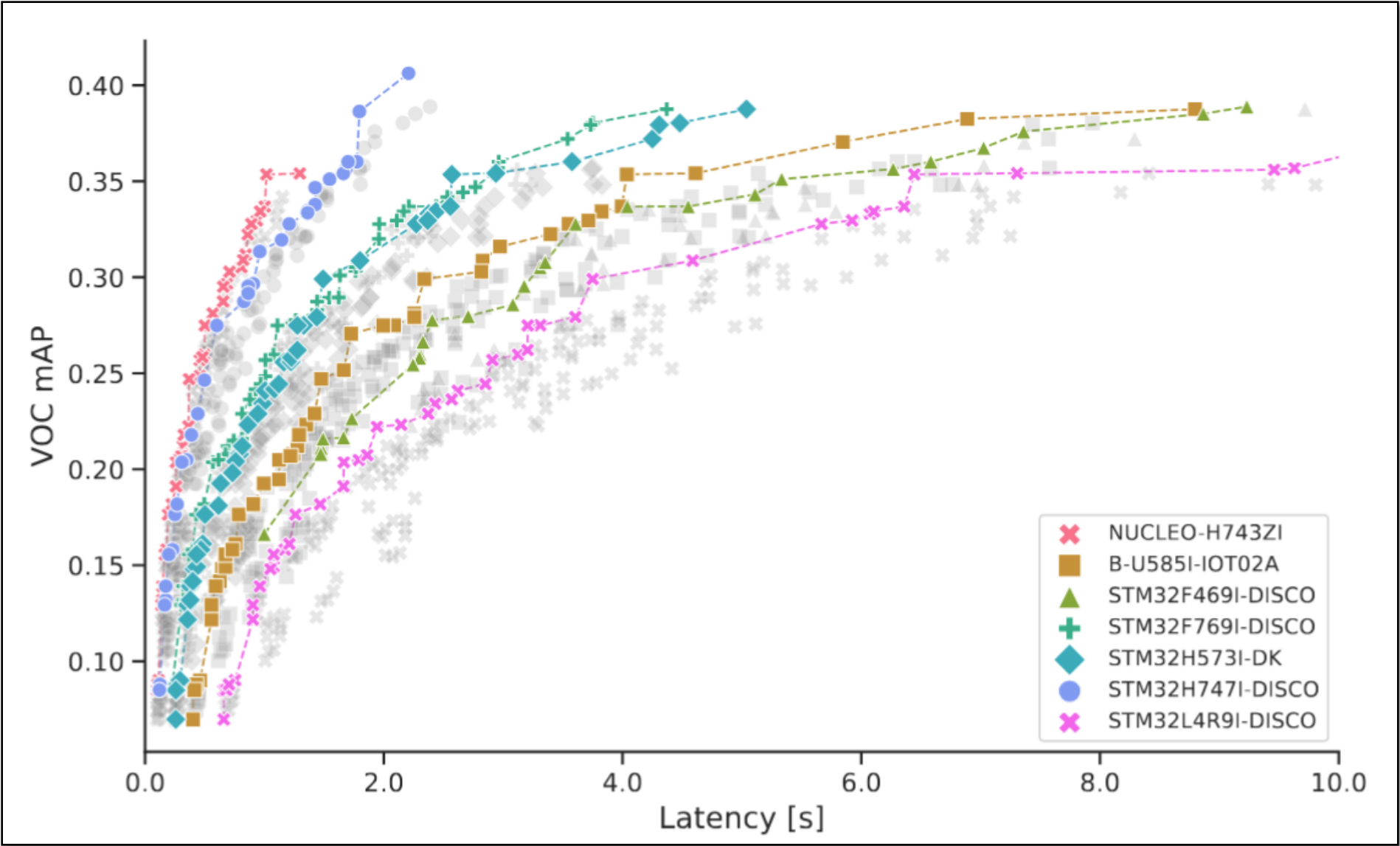


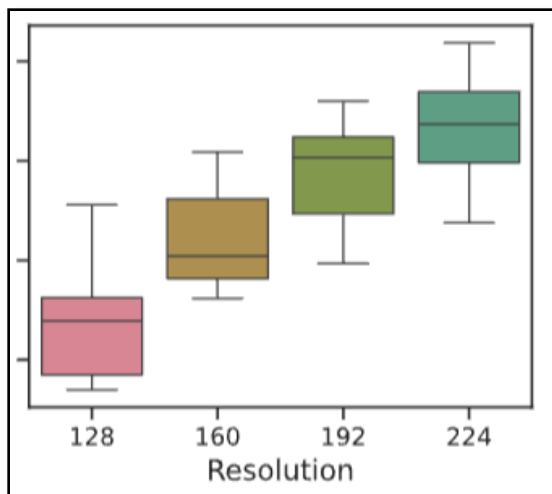
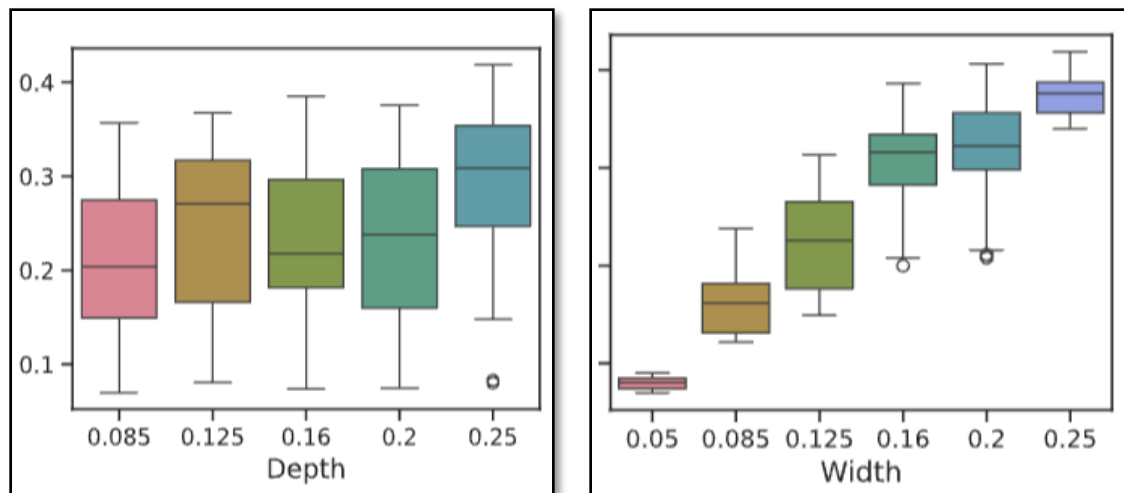
Most of the pareto models are from V8, v7 and v5 family



Most of the pareto models are v3 and v6 families

Combined Benchmark





- **Latency-mAP Plot**
 - depends up the hardware
- **Device-Specific paretos**
 - vary drastically
- **Latency Influences**
 - Internal RAM & model complexity..
- **mAP Influencers**
 - resolution and width
- **Depth and Activations:**
 - Variable impact on mAP
 - Activations only affect latency

MCUBench code open source

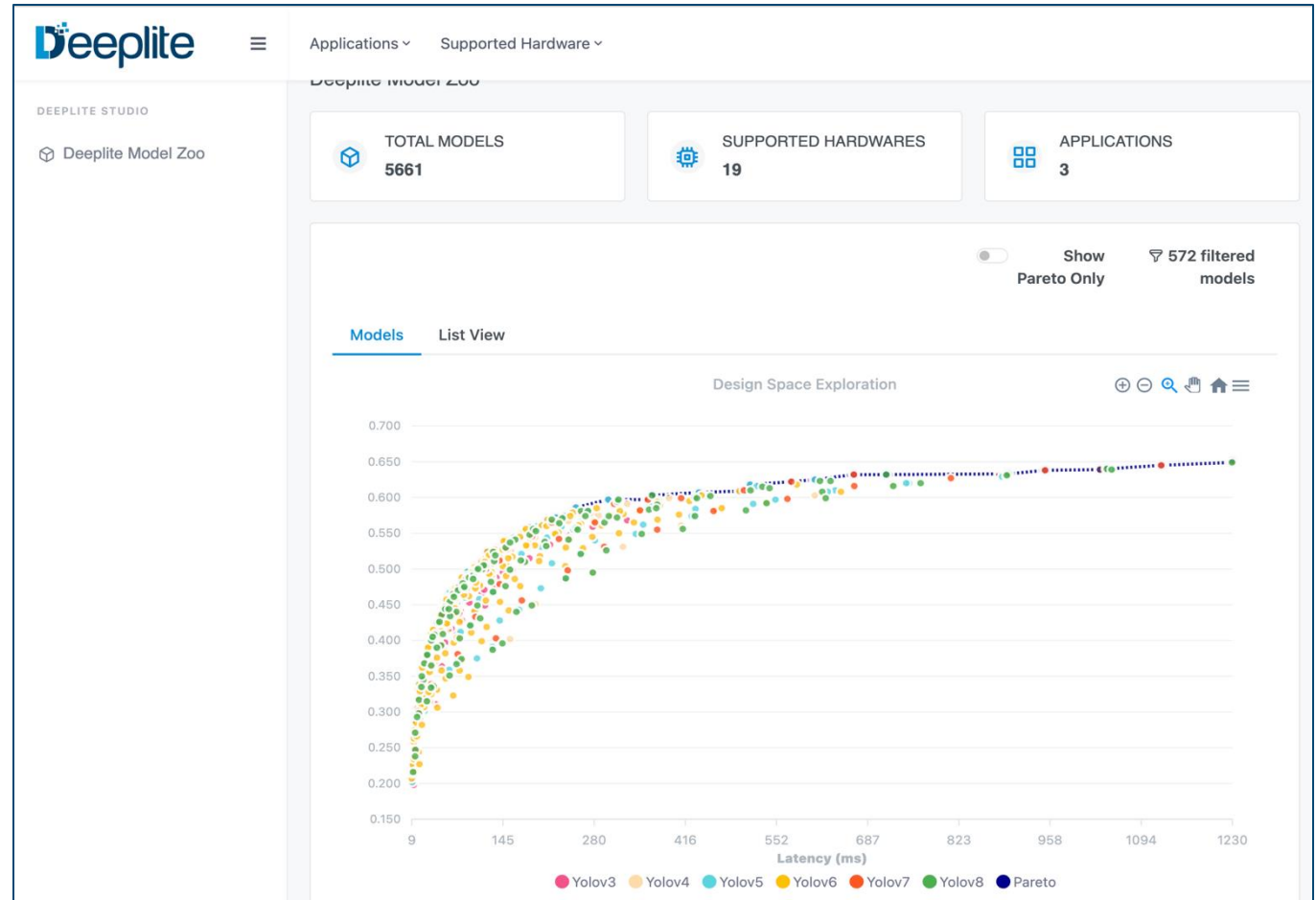
- <https://github.com/deeplite/deeplite-torch-zoo/>

Model weights (VOCO & COCO)

- Will be Available soon on Deeplite Studio (DLS)

Hugging-Face App

- Will be available soon





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