# Towards An Open-Source, Formally-Verified Secure Enclave

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## The Age of Big Data







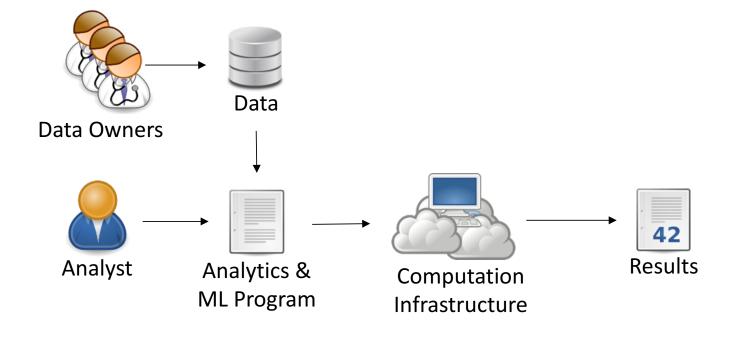




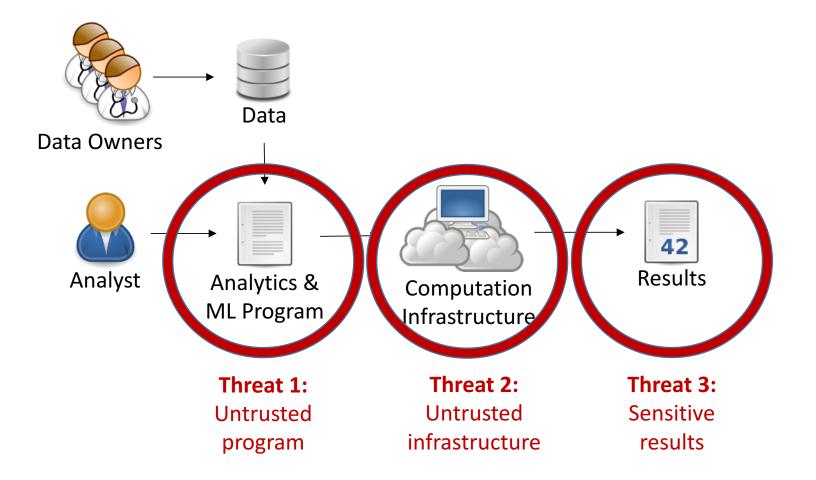


### Plentiful, and Private

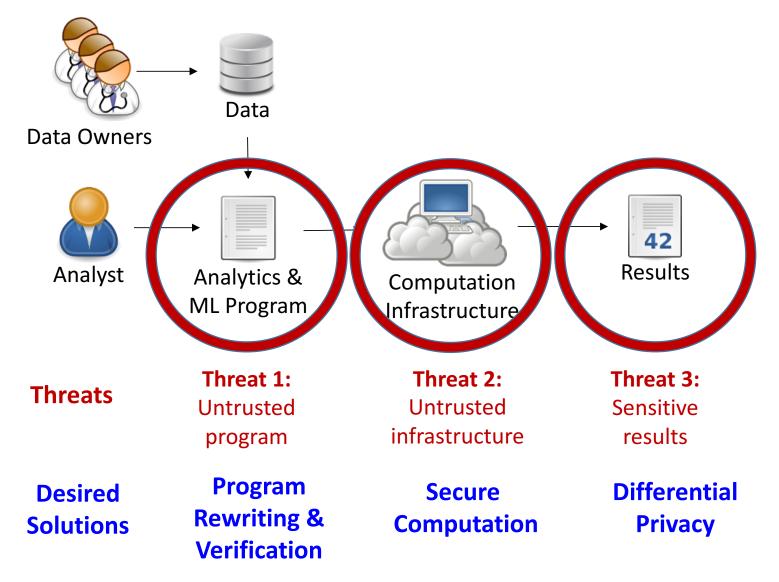
### Current Frameworks for Data Analytics & Machine Learning



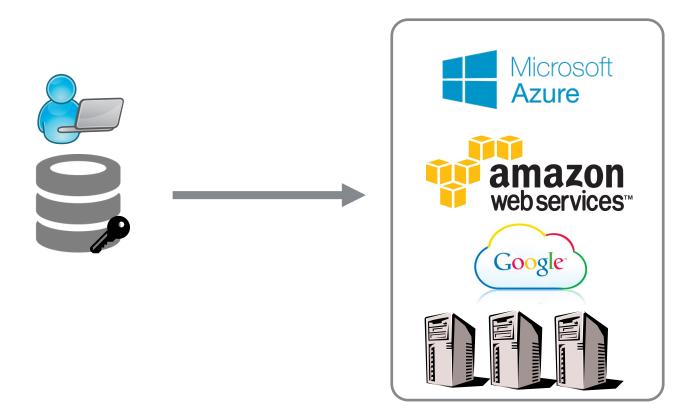
### Current Frameworks Insufficient



### Desired Solutions for Confidentiality/Privacy



### Secure Computation: Simulating Trusted Third Party



- Does my secret data remain secret?
- Does the program execute as it is supposed to?
- Is the right program executed?

## Secure Computation

- Example:
  - Build a word-embedding from everyone's text messages on their phones
- Challenge:
  - Text messages are highly sensitive
  - Computation infrastructure may not be trusted
- Solutions:
  - Crypto-based approach:
    - Non-interactive: Fully-homomorphic encryption (FHE)
    - Interactive: Multi-party computation (MPC)
  - Hardware-based approach:
    - Secure enclave provides isolation & remote attestation

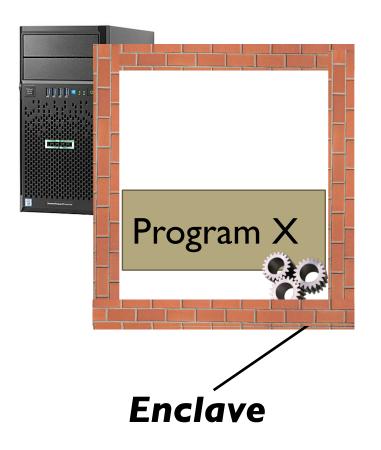
## Crypto-based Secure Computation

- Fully-homomorphic encryption (FHE)
  - Given E(x), f, compute E(f(x))
  - Support general secure computation with strong security
  - High performance overhead: 10<sup>6</sup>
  - Example: CryptoNet [Dowlin et al.]
    - Classification of an encrypted image using neural networks
    - On MNIST:
      - 51000 predictions per hour on a single PC
      - 579 seconds latency per image
- Multi-party computation (MPC)
  - Trust model: at most t out of k parties are malicious
  - Require many rounds of communication among different parties

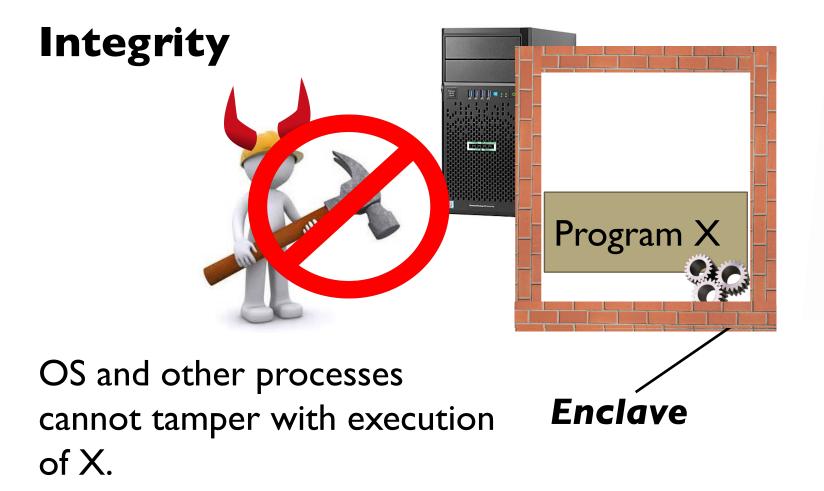
## Hardware-based secure computation

- Trusted Execution Environment (e.g., Intel SGX)
  - Secure enclave: isolation & attestation
    - Protect against malicious OS
  - Enable practical secure computation over encrypted data
    - In contrast to fully-homomorphic encryption (FHE) with 10^6 performance overhead
  - Many other security applications

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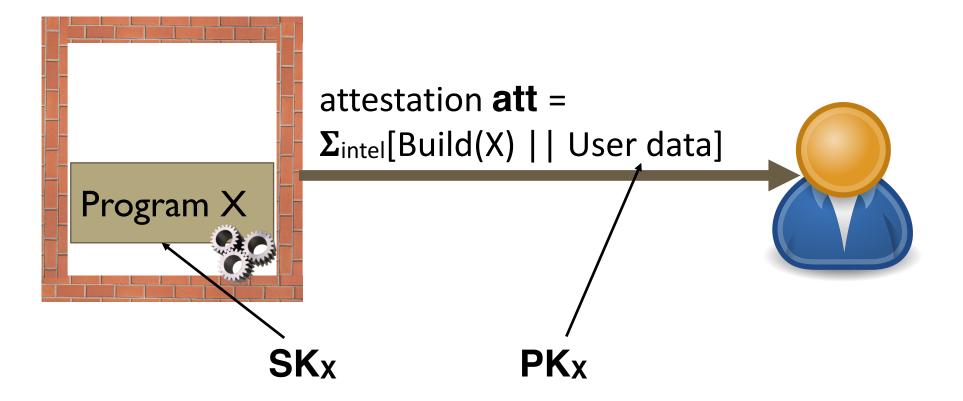


Confidentiality



OS and other processes cannot learn state of X.\*

### Remote attestation



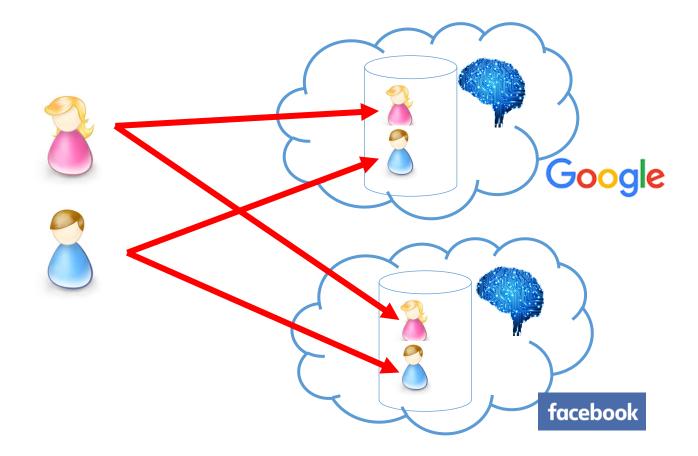
## Secure Enclave as a CornerStone Security Primitive

- Strong security capabilities
  - Authenticate "itself (device)"
  - Authenticate "software"
  - Guarantee the integrity and privacy of "execution"
- Platform for building new security applications
  - Couldn't be built otherwise for the same practical performance
  - Many examples
    - Haven [OSDI'14], VC3 [S&P'15], M2R[USENIX Security'15], Ryoan [OSDI'16], Opaque [NSDI'17]
      - Single node or distributed computation using trusted hardware

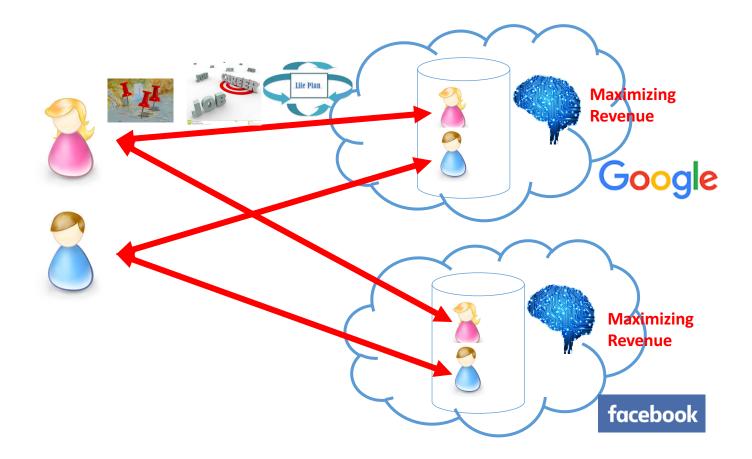
### Whoever Controls & Leads in AI Will Rule the World

--Nation State Leaders

### The Status Quo Today

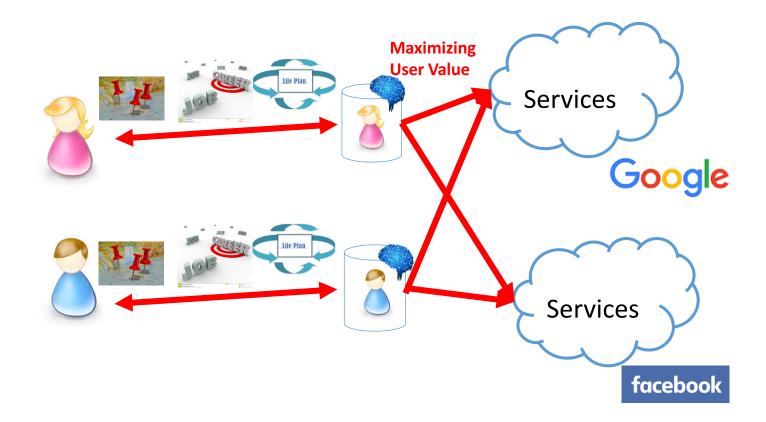


### Who Will Be Running Our Lives?



### Is there a different future?

### Intelligent Agent/Virtual Assistant under User Control



## AlEden: Blockchain for Democratizing Al

# Ekiden: Confidentiality-preserving Smart Contract

**Private Smart Contract** 

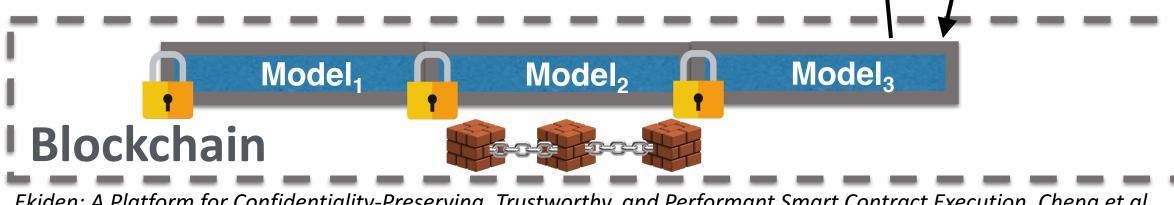
Differentially-private

Model Training

Model

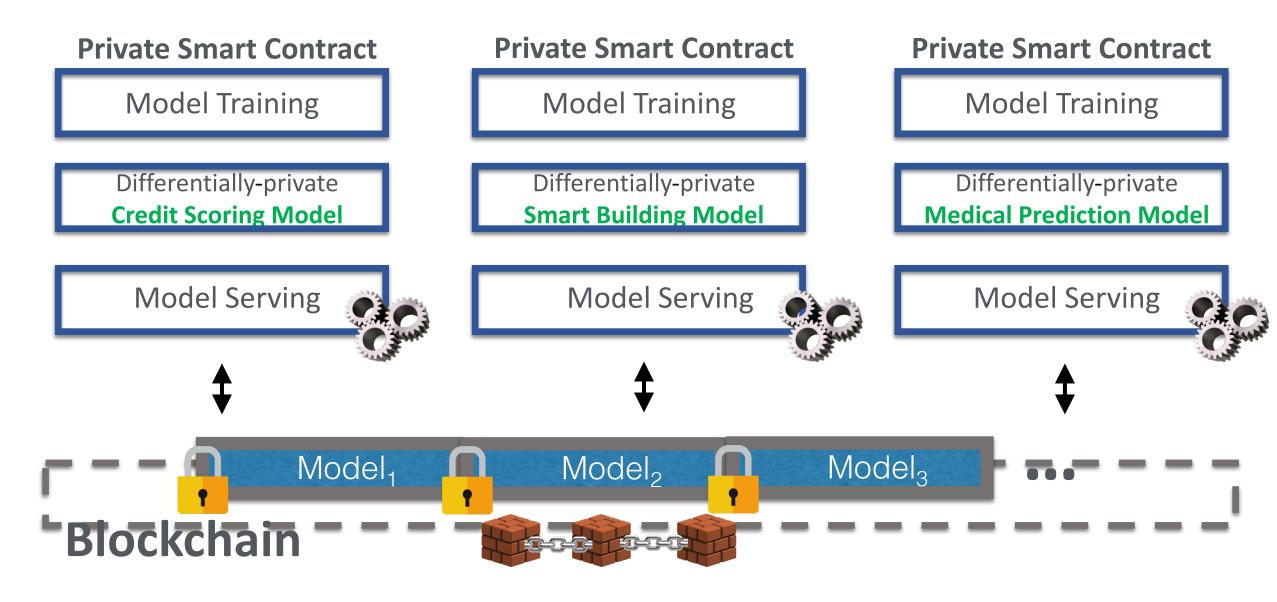
Serving

- Smart contract execution using secure computation:
  - Trusted hardware and secure multi-party computation
- User data and model access dictated by smart contract
- Expose highly available micro-services to users and other smart contracts
- Security proof: Universal Composability



Ekiden: A Platform for Confidentiality-Preserving, Trustworthy, and Performant Smart Contract Execution, Cheng et al., https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.05141

## Towards Blockchain of Intelligent Smart Contracts



## Growth in Secure Hardware Deployment



#### SGX: Software Guard Extensions

- All Intel Core Processors since August 2015 (6th-Generation and later)
- SGX v2 expected to release in relatively near future

#### **AMD Secure Processor**

• Built into AMD Accelerated Processing Units (APUs)

#### SEV: Secure Encrypted Virtualization

- Introduced in EPYC server processor line (2017)
- Provides confidentiality but not integrity



#### Trusted execution environment

- Hardware-based isolation and integrity for Tegra chipsets
- TLK (Trusted Little Kernel): open-source stack for TEE



#### **GlobalPlatform Trusted Execution Environment**

• Already embedded in more than 17 Billion devices

## Challenges in Secure Hardware

• How secure can it be? Under what threat models?

- What would you entrust with secure hardware?
  - Your bitcoin keys
  - Financial data
  - Health data

## Grand Challenge

- Can we create trustworthy secure enclave as a cornerstone security primitive?
- Widely deployed, enable secure systems on top
- A new secure computation era

## Path to Trustworthy Secure Enclave

- Open source design
- Formal verification
- Secure supply-chain management

## Importance of Open Source Secure Enclave Design

- None of the commercial TEE designs is opened to public
- Security guarantee relies on trusting a hardware vendor's design
- No industry agreement on right solution for everything
- Open source provides transparency & enables high assurance
- Open source builds a community

## **RISC-V Open-Source Hardware Ecosystem**

- RISC-V: A high-quality, license-free, royalty-free RISC ISA specification originally from UC Berkeley
- Large companies started to adopt RISC-V for deeply embedded controllers in their SoCs (e.g., NVIDIA, Western Digital)
- India government, US DARPA, and Israel have adopted RISC-V
- Many startups choosing RISC-V for new products
- Becoming standard ISA for academic research

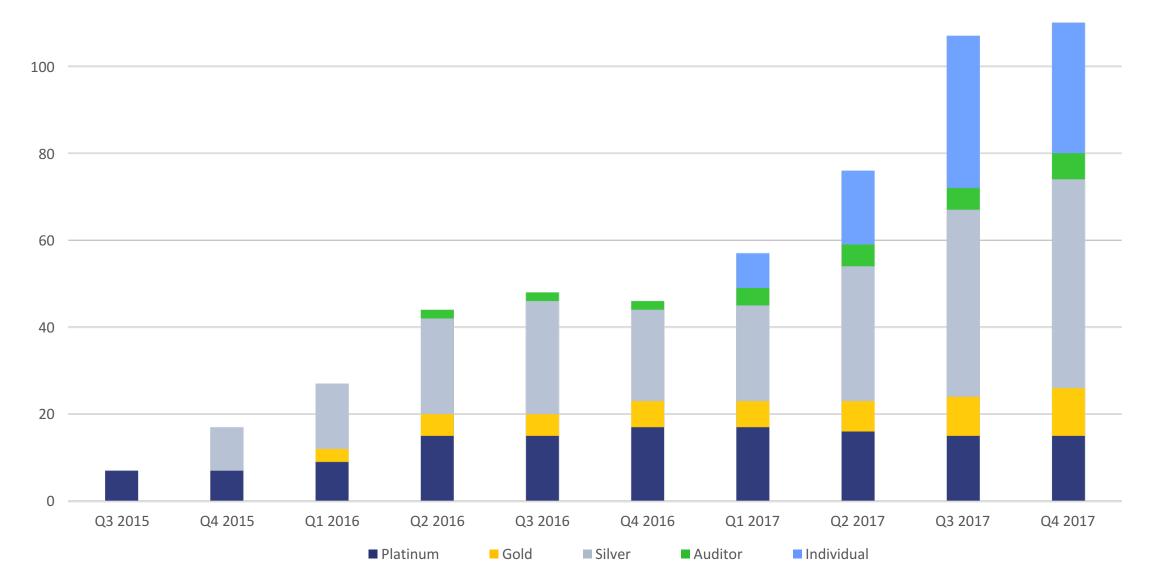
### RISC-VISA (www.riscv.org)

- A completely free and open ISA
  - Upstreamed GCC, Linux, glibc, LLVM, ...
  - RV32, RV64, and RV128 variants for 32b, 64b, and 128b address spaces defined
- Base ISA only <50 integer instructions, but supports compiler, linker, OS, etc.
- Extensions provide full general-purpose ISA, including IEEE-754/2008 floating-point
- Better/comparable ISA-level metrics to other ISAs but simpler
- Designed for extension, customization
- Seventeen 64-bit silicon prototype implementations completed at Berkeley so far (45nm, 28nm, 16nm)



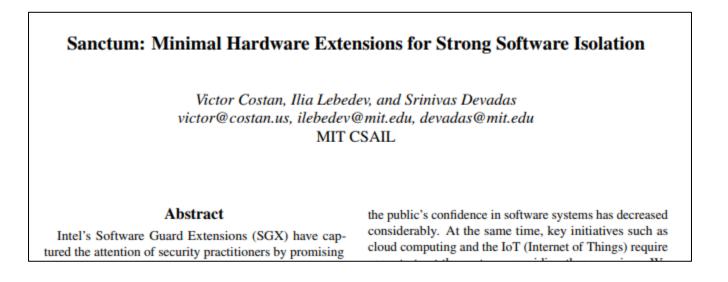
#### **RISC-V Foundation Growth History**

#### August 2015 to November 2017



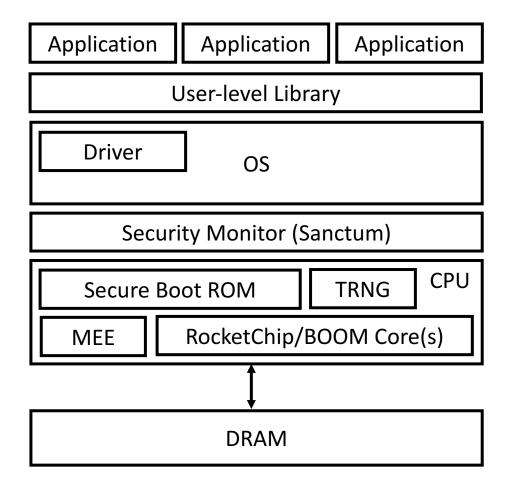
## Sanctum

- Secure processor design on RISC-V
- Fully-isolated per-enclave page table
- Defending against cache-based side-channel attacks



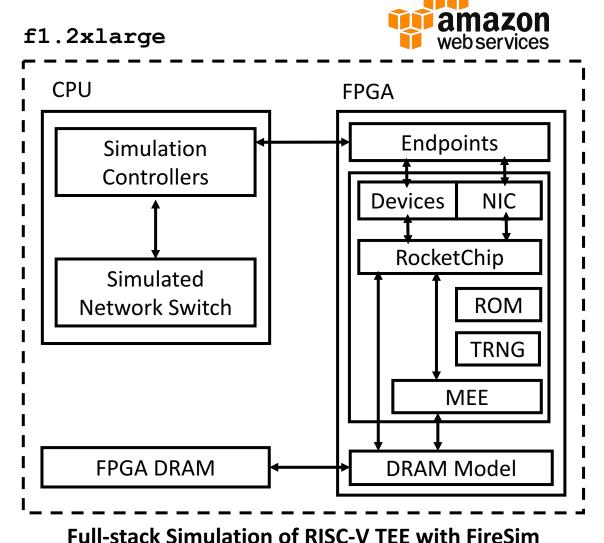
# **Project: Open Source Secure Enclave on RISC-V**

- Full-stack open-source hardware enclave implementation for RISC-V processors
- CPU
  - RocketChip/BOOM: Berkeley-built Open-Source Cores
  - TRNG
  - Memory Encryption Engine (MEE)
- Hardware Enclave
  - MIT Sanctum: Software-based Hardware Enclave
- OS, Library, and Applications



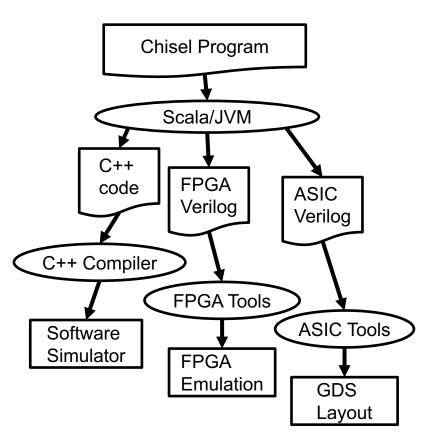
# **FireSim: Simulation Framework**

- FPGA-accelerated, Cycle-accurate simulator for arbitrary RTL in the public cloud (to appear in ISCA '18)
- Uses a commodity host platform with FPGAs (EC2 F1)
- Lets users work with:
  - RTL (Chisel/Verilog) for customizing server blades, building accelerators, etc.
  - Software models (C++) for switches
- Runs real software stacks at reasonable speed (Linux + apps)

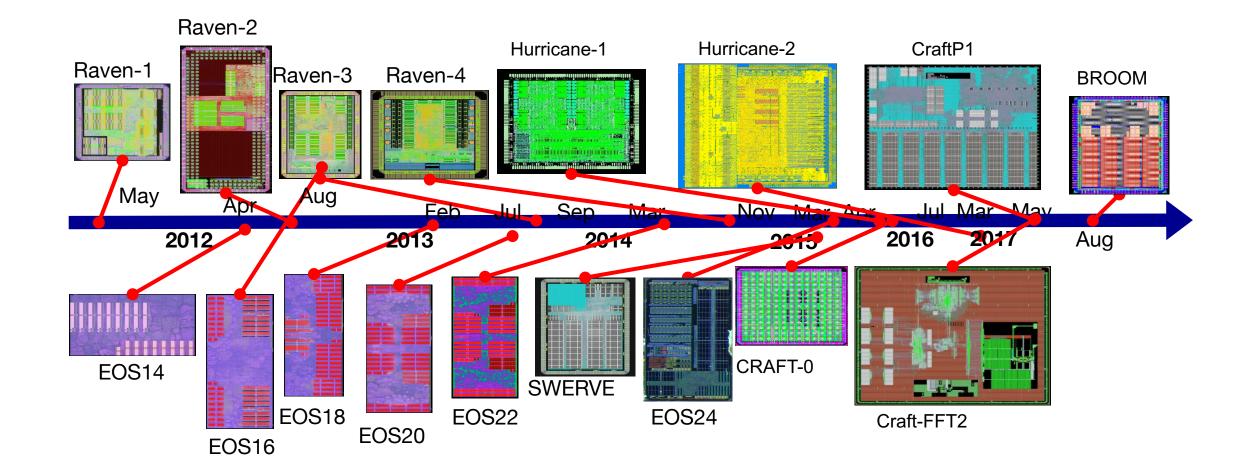


# **Chisel Construction Language**

- Embed hardware-description language in Scala, using Scala's extension facilities: Hardware module is just data structure in Scala
- Different output routines generate different types of output (C, FPGA-Verilog, ASIC-Verilog) from same hardware representation
- Full power of Scala for writing hardware generators
  - Object-Oriented: Factory objects, traits, overloading etc
  - Functional: Higher-order funcs, anonymous funcs, currying
  - Compiles to JVM: Good performance, Java interoperability

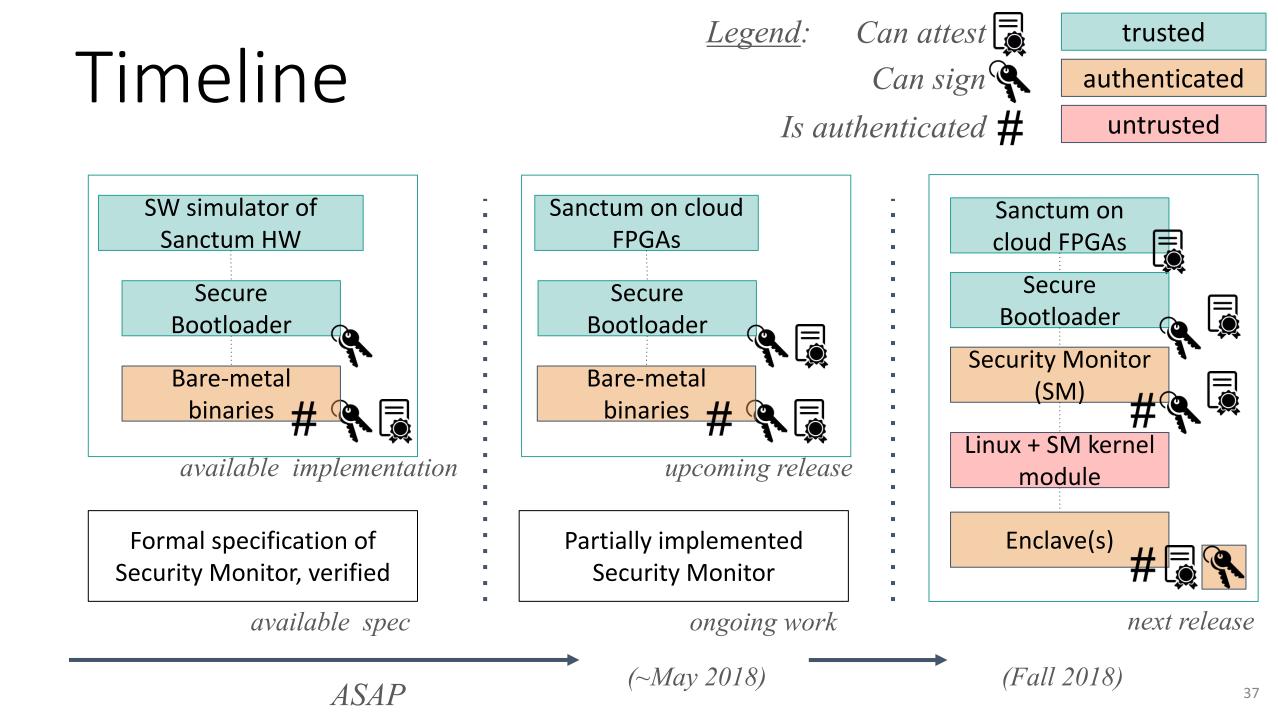


## **RISC-V Chips Designed at Berkeley**



# Goals

- Making hardware enclave usable to everyone
- Improving design using power of community
- Finding and patching security holes
- Exploring performance-security trade-offs for various threat models
- Finding solutions to address remaining problems
  - e.g., multi-node enclaves, side-channels, performance, and physical attacks

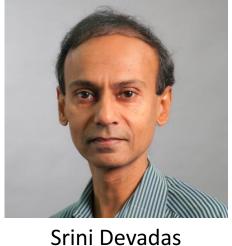


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## Grand Challenge: Building Trustworthy Secure Hardware

- Open source design
- Formal verification
  - Subramanyan et al., A Formal Foundation for Secure Remote Execution of Enclaves [CCS 2017, Best Paper Award]
- Secure supply-chain management

Grand Challenge: Building Trustworthy Secure Hardware

More resources needed for research & development.

It requires community effort.

Let's tackle the big challenges together!

