Optimising the Mobile Net

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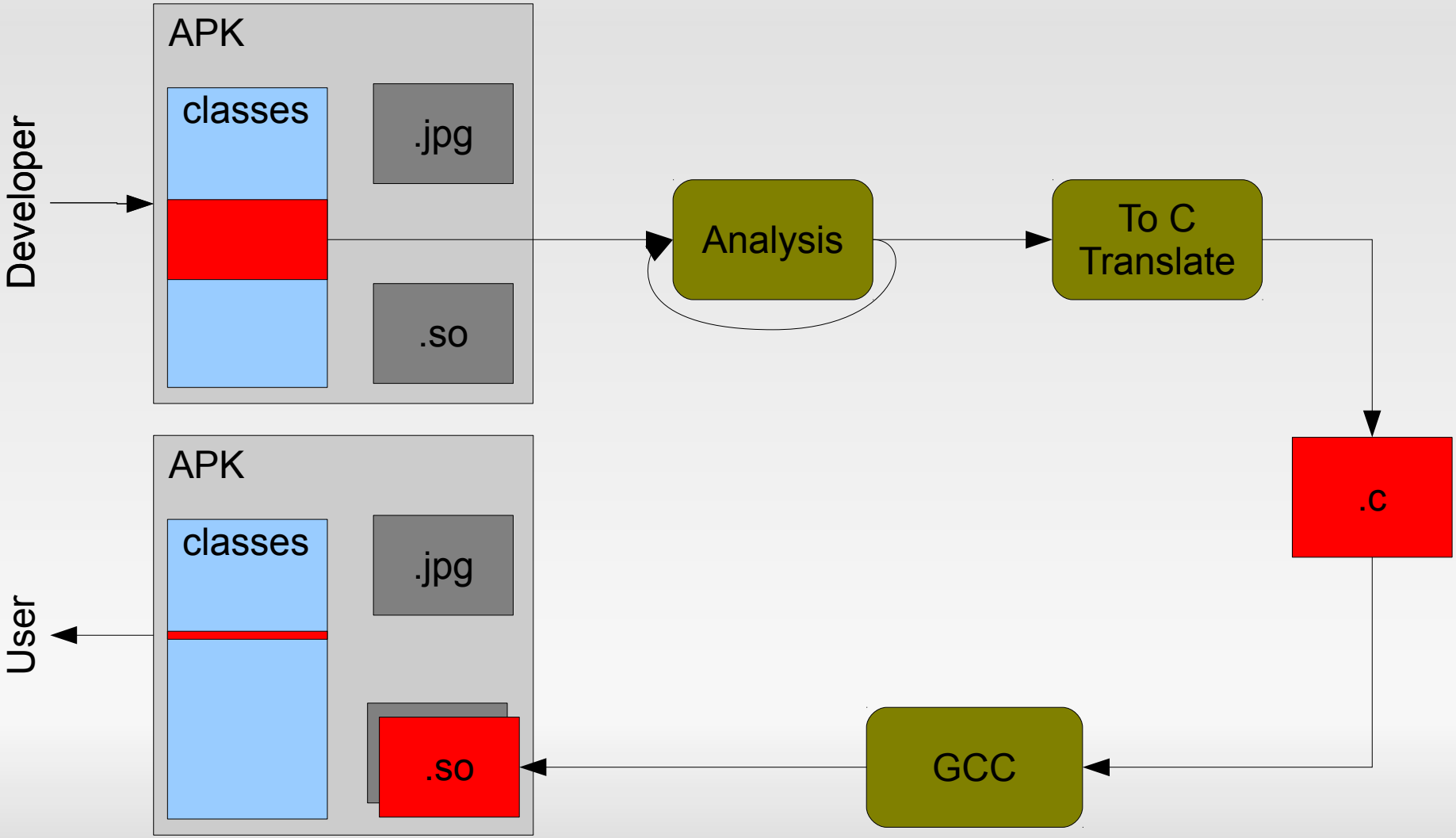
Compilers and Operating Systems

- Mobile devices are resource constrained
- All Android programs use Dalvik JIT - very slow
- Operating system does not mobile optimised

- Need to make them faster and lower power

Server-side Dalvik to Native

- Server side native compilation of hot methods



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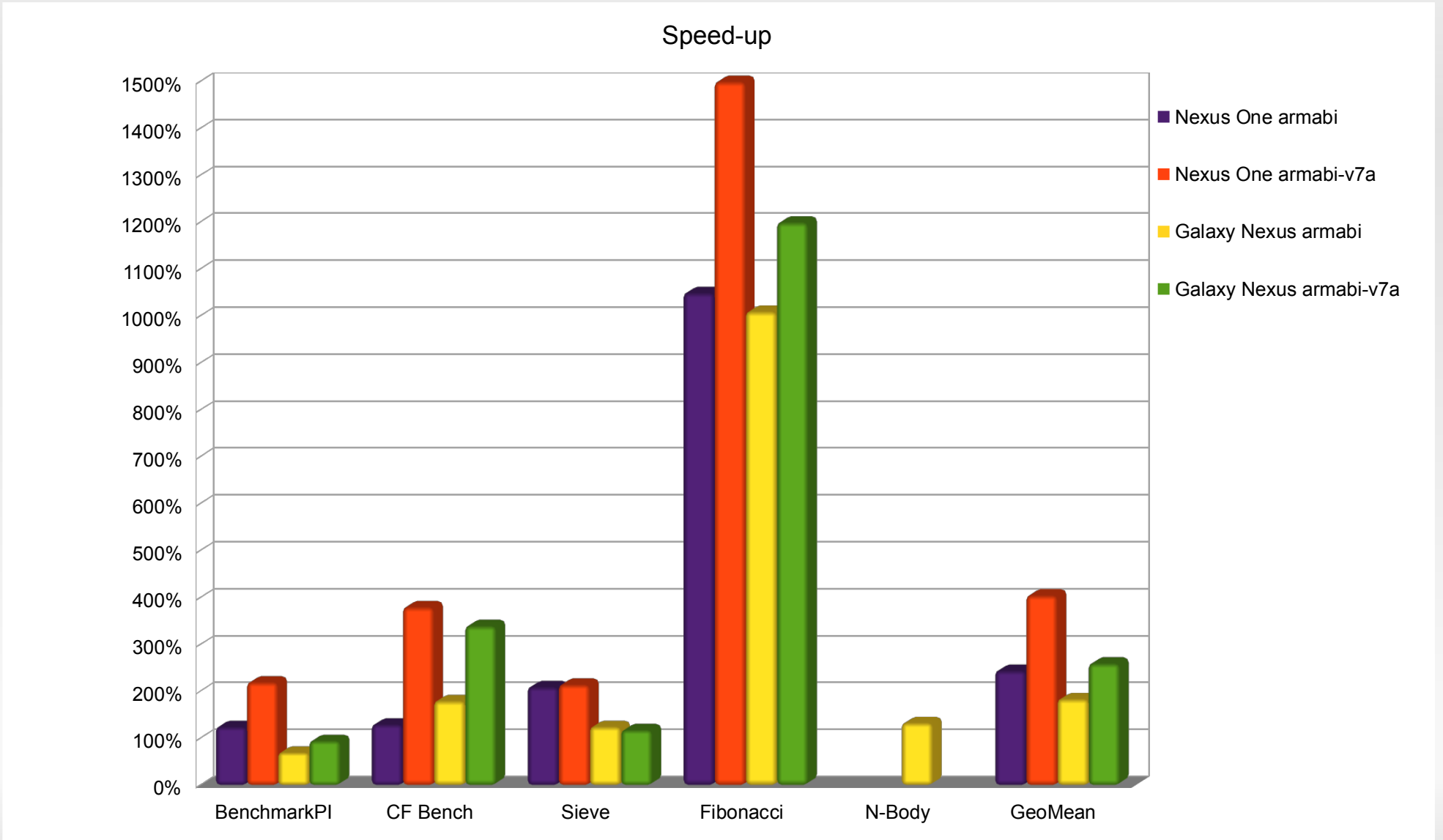

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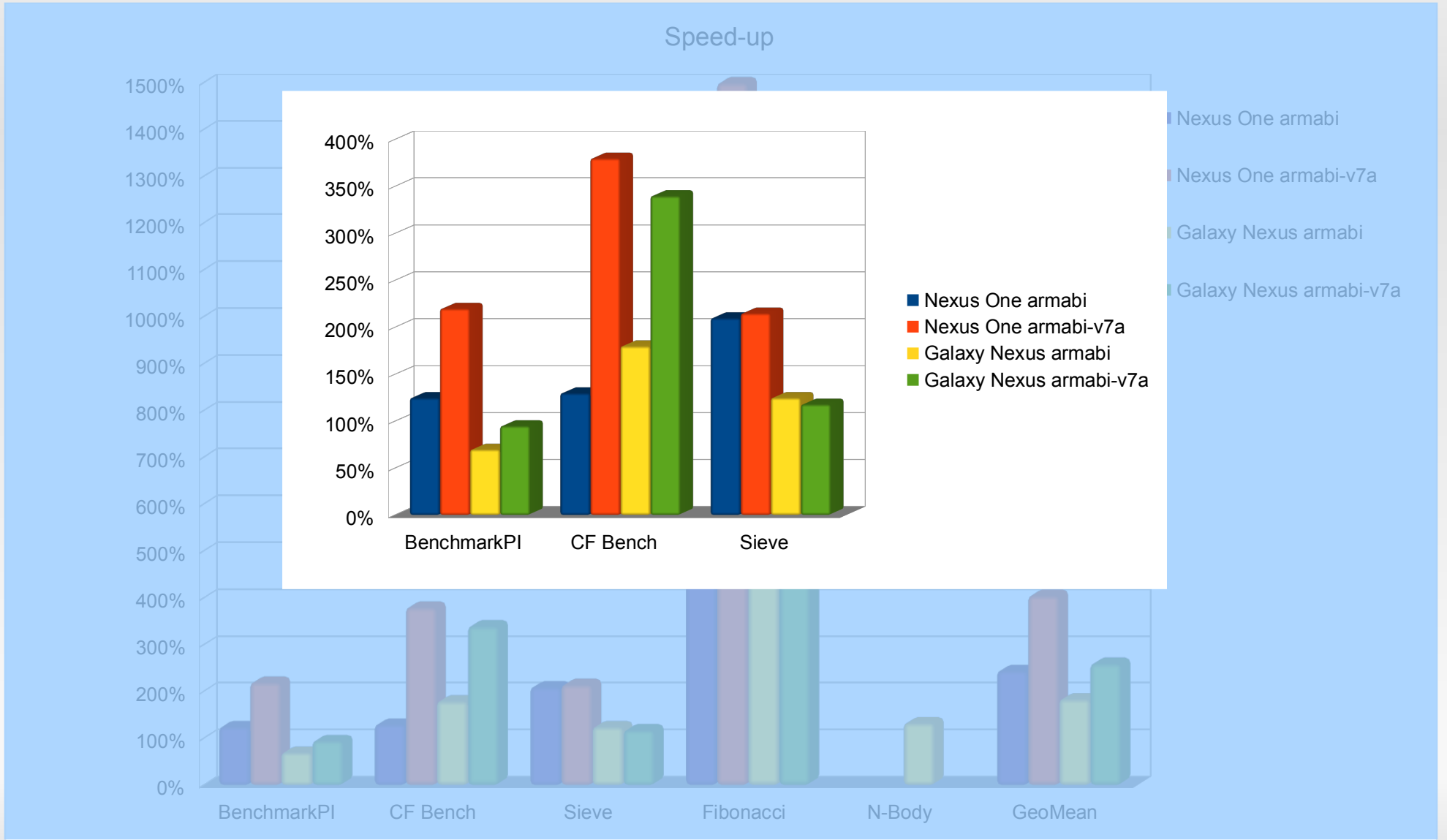

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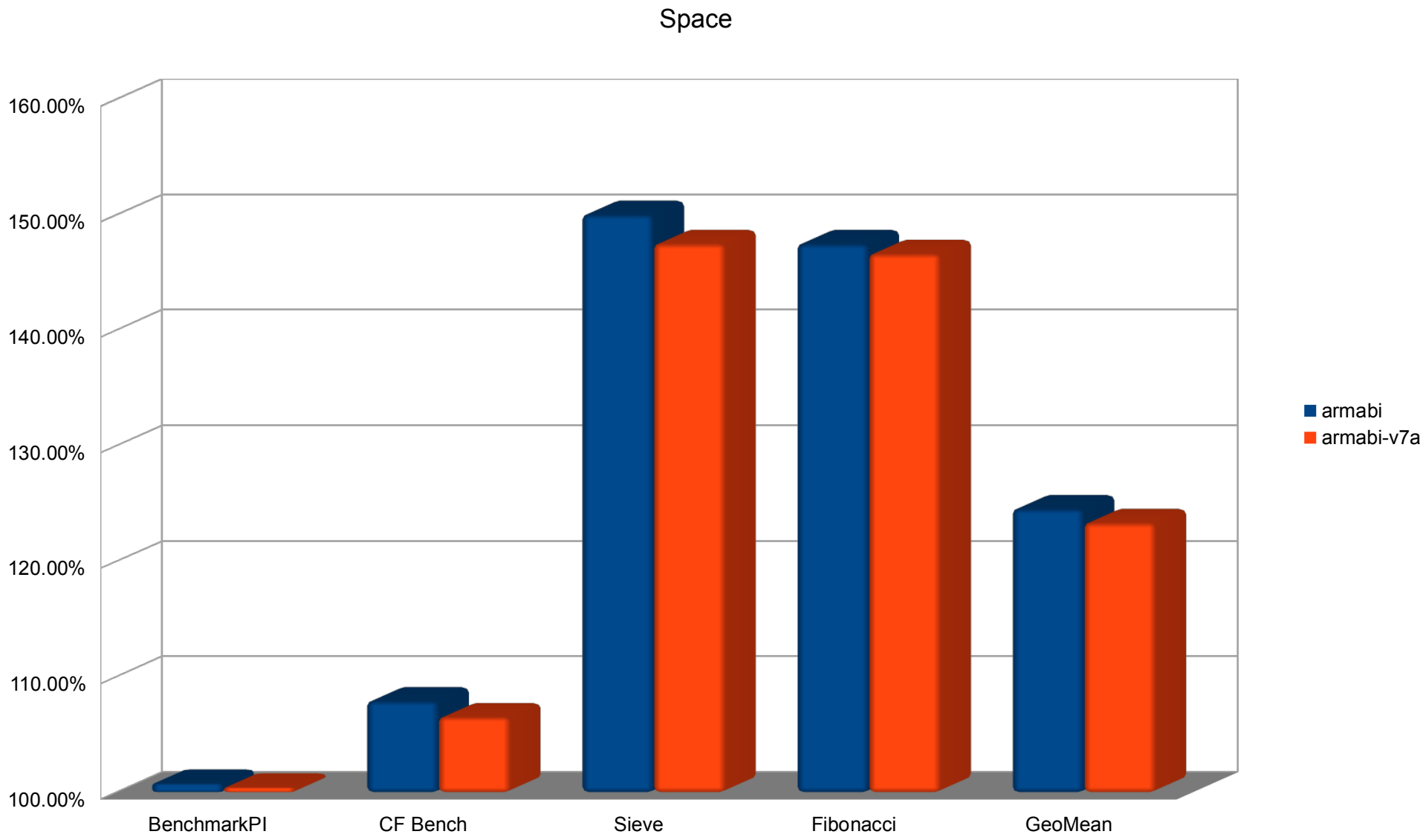

Trace Injection

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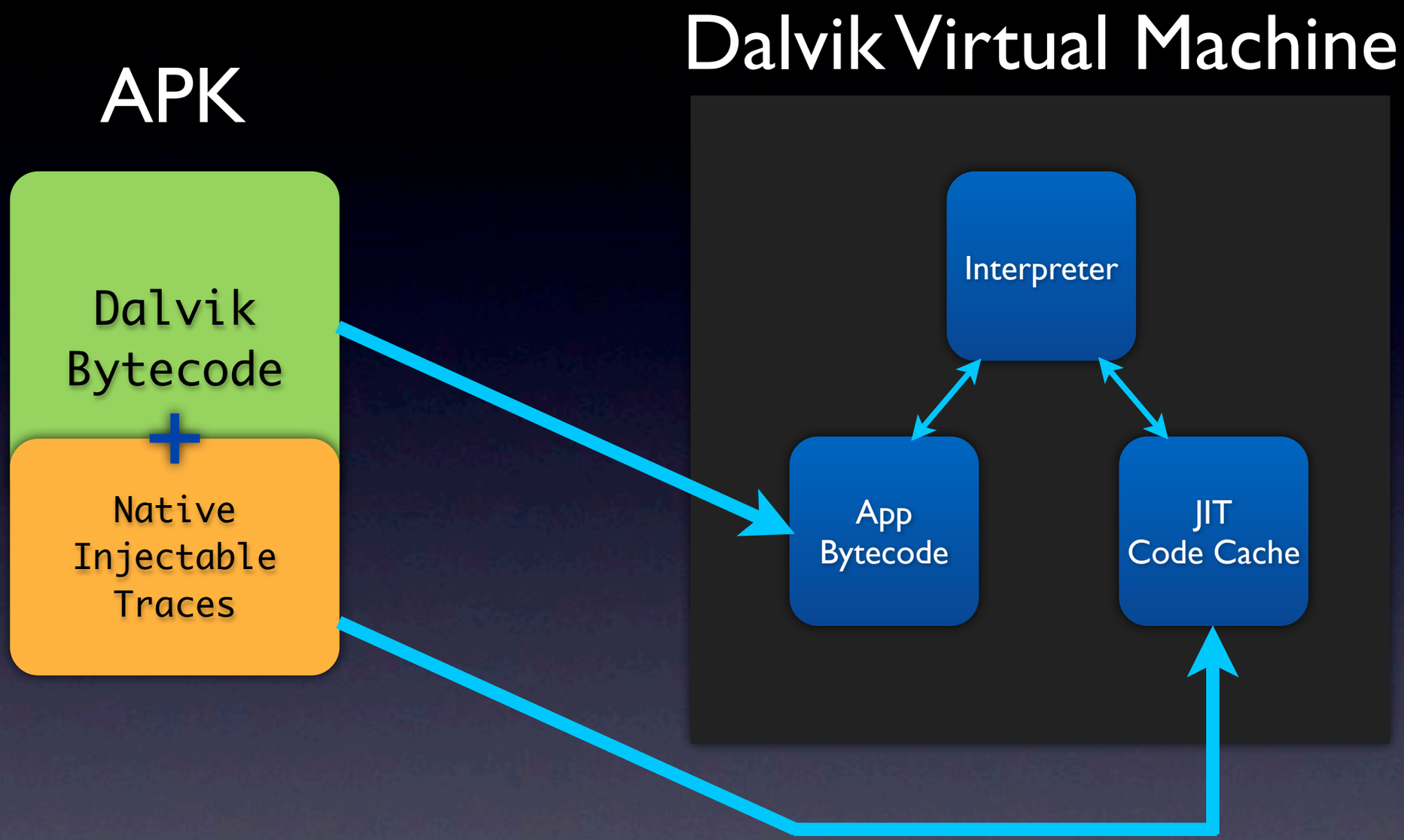

Injectable traces chosen from the hottest JIT traces

Subject to more powerful ahead-of-time optimisations

Installing an App

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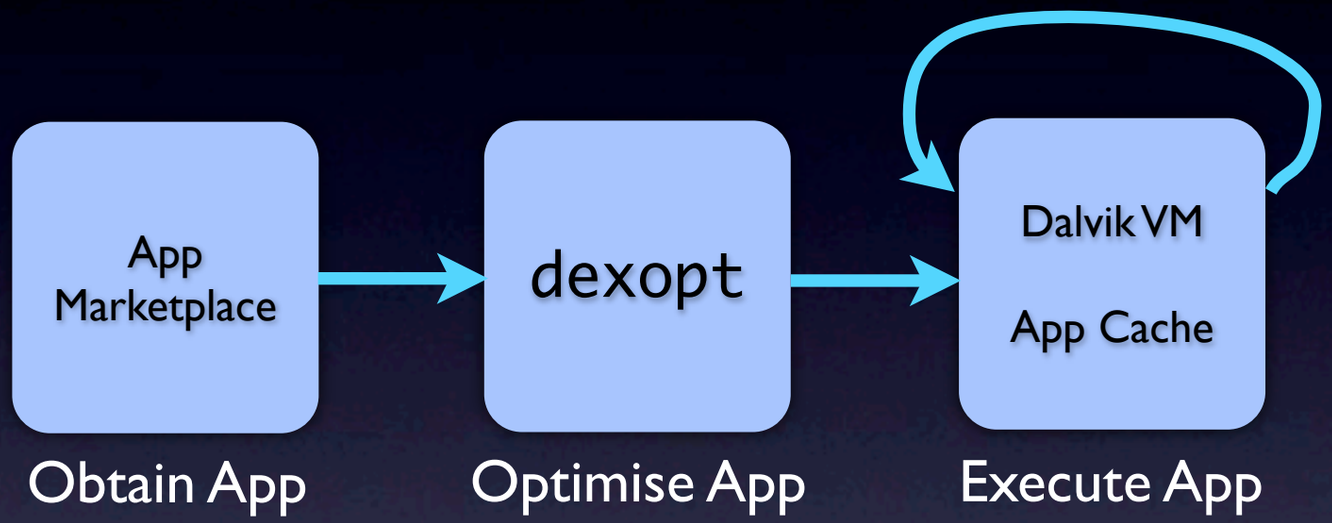
Previously



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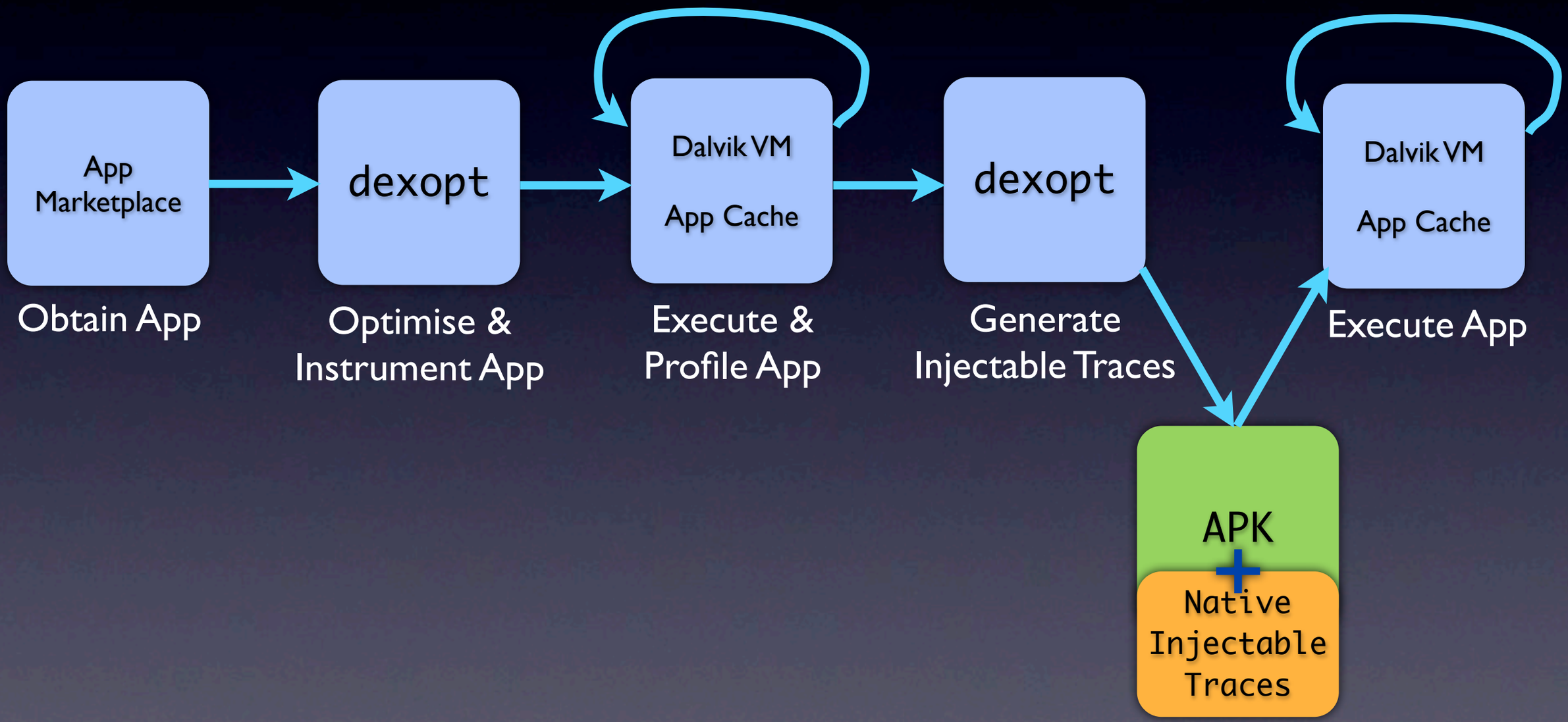

Preliminary Results

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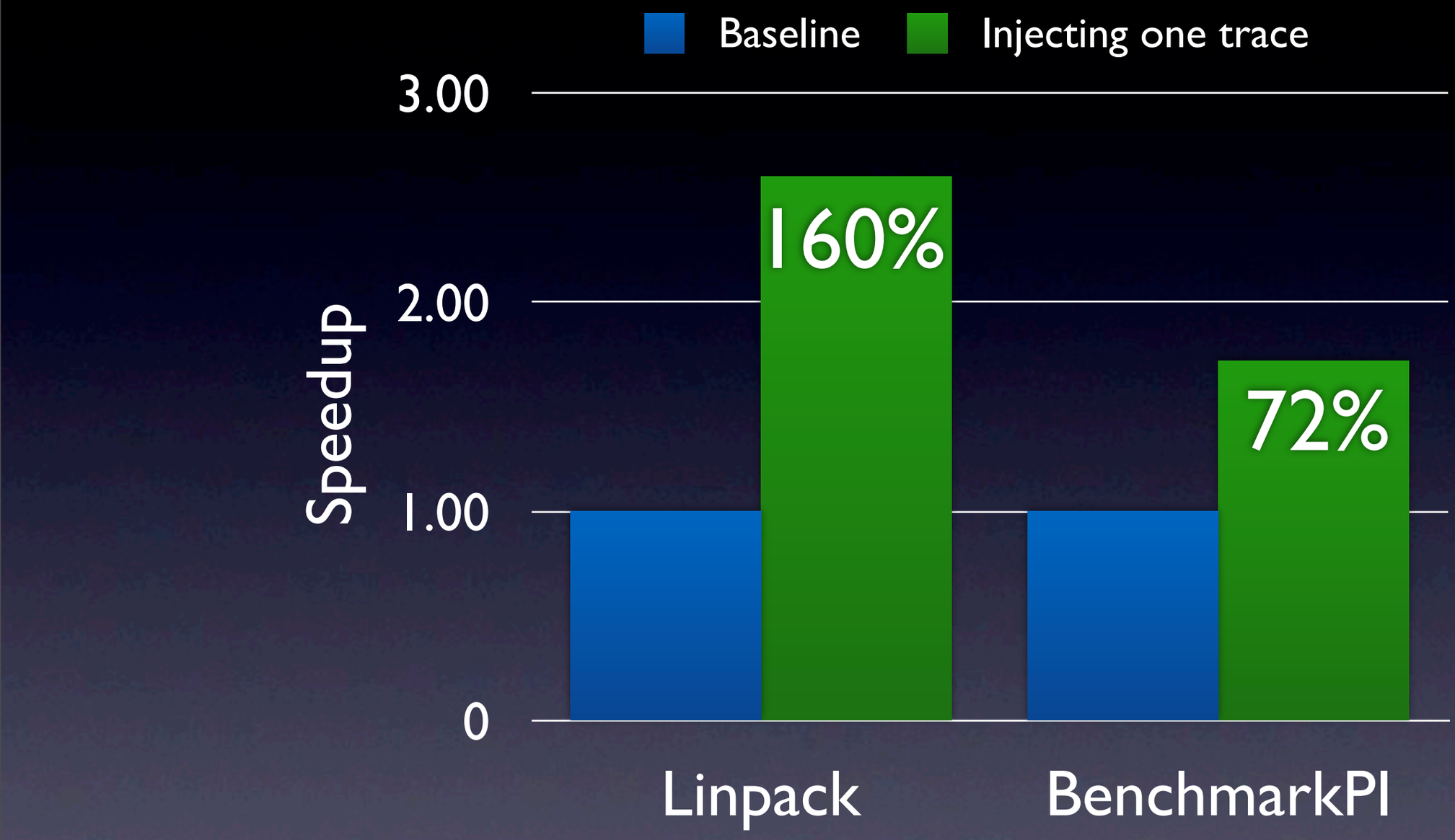


Injecting:

Loop Trace - 10 Dalvik Instructions

Linear Trace - 14 Dalvik Instructions

Motivation for Mobile Workload Collection

- Current scheduler decisions are based on a rather narrow field of information

Information about the usage context can help in making more energy efficient scheduling decisions.

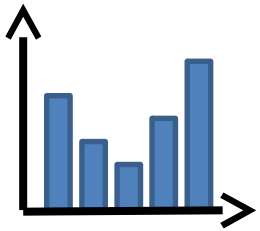
➔ The collected workload must contain both user- and kernel space information to identify the context

Methodology

When does the scheduler get it wrong?

Collect Mobile Workload

Analyse Workload

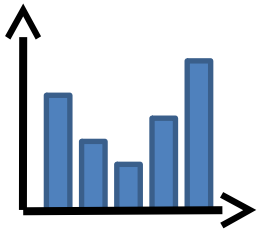


Workload Lag Experiment

Film Mobile Usage and collect Workload

Review the Video and mark Lags

Analyse the Workload

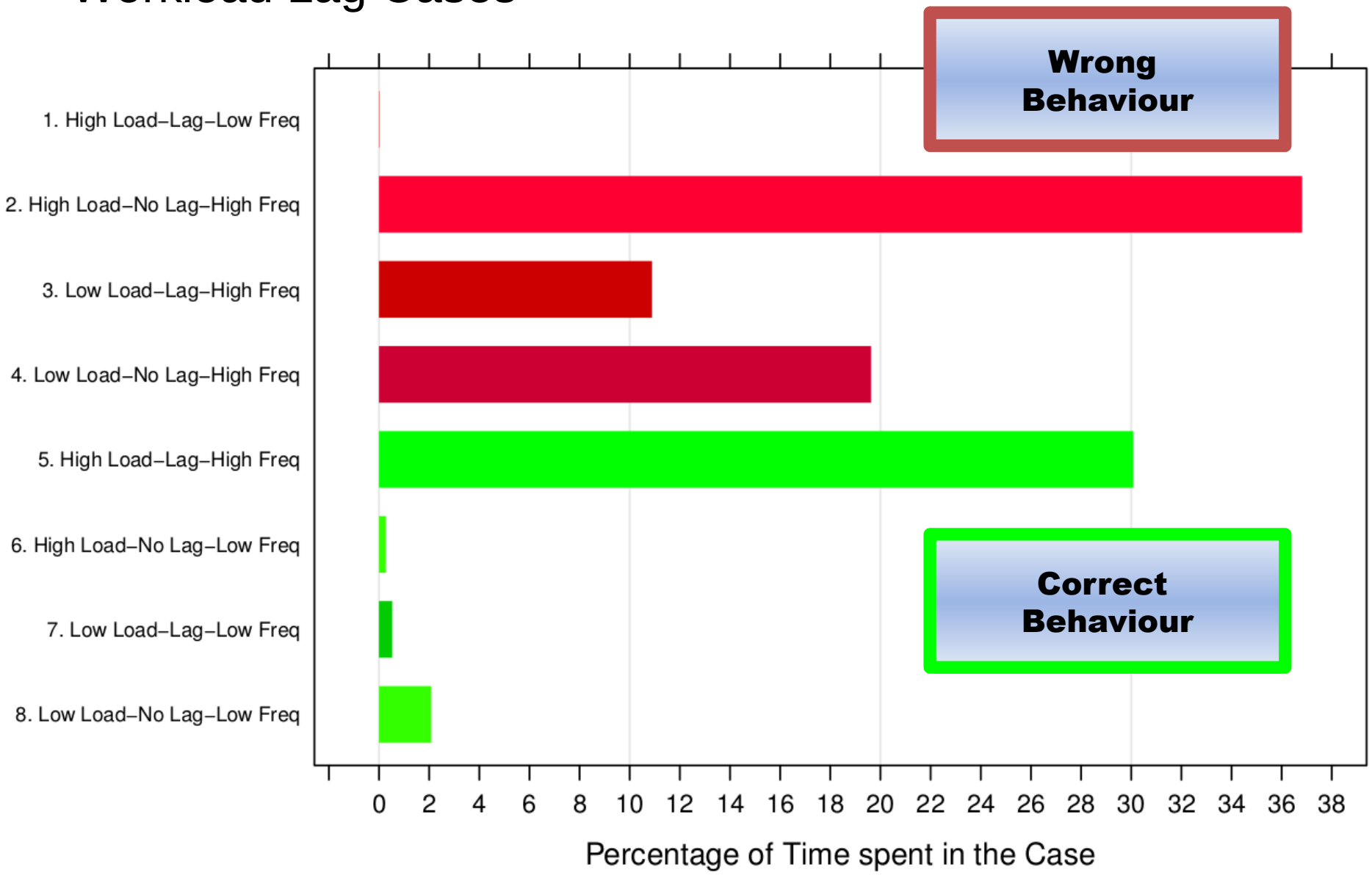


What did the Phone do during a lag?

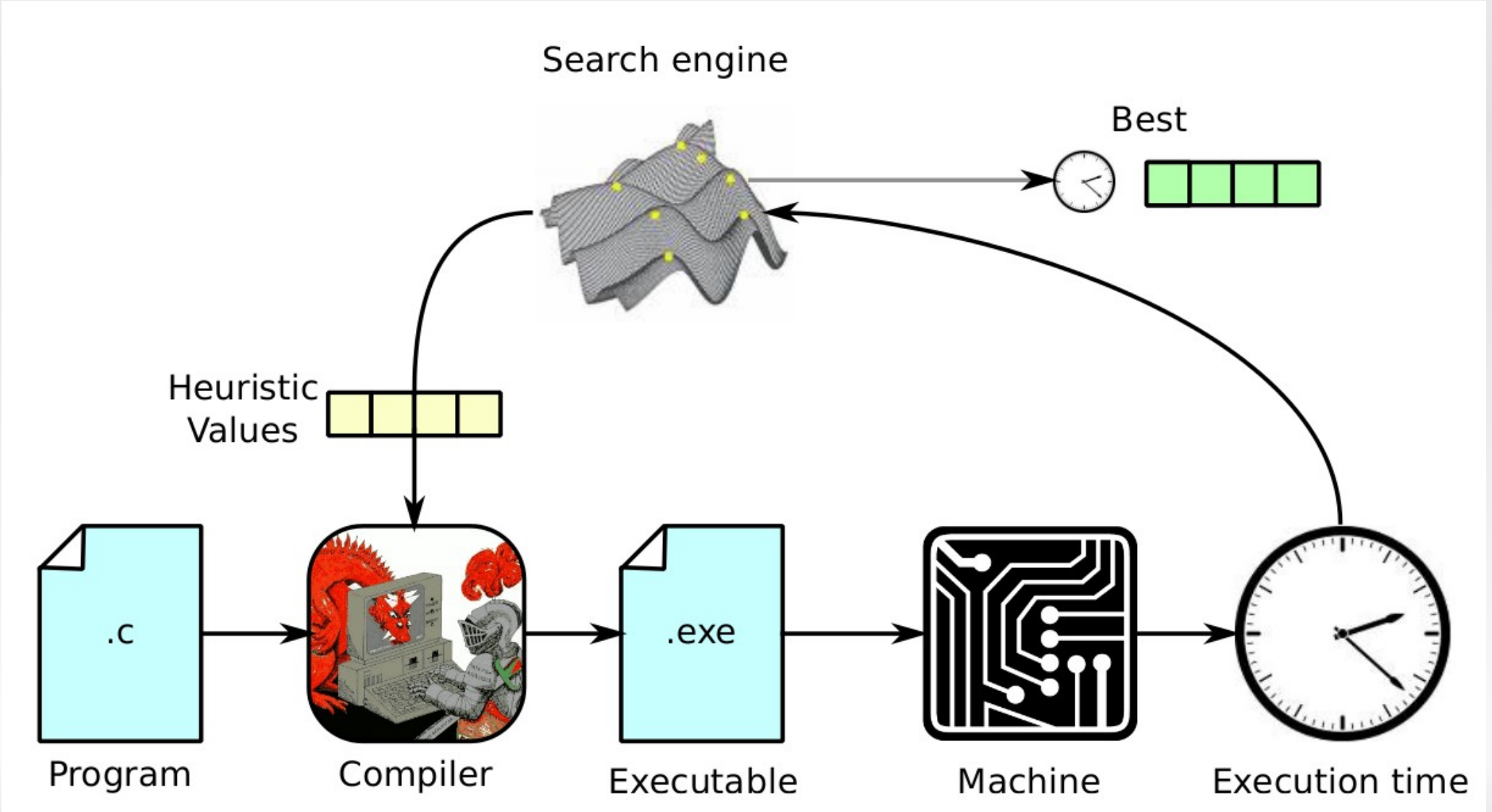
Was the lag caused by the CPU?
What was the frequency?
What was the load?

Does the Frequency Governor/Scheduler waste energy during those lags?

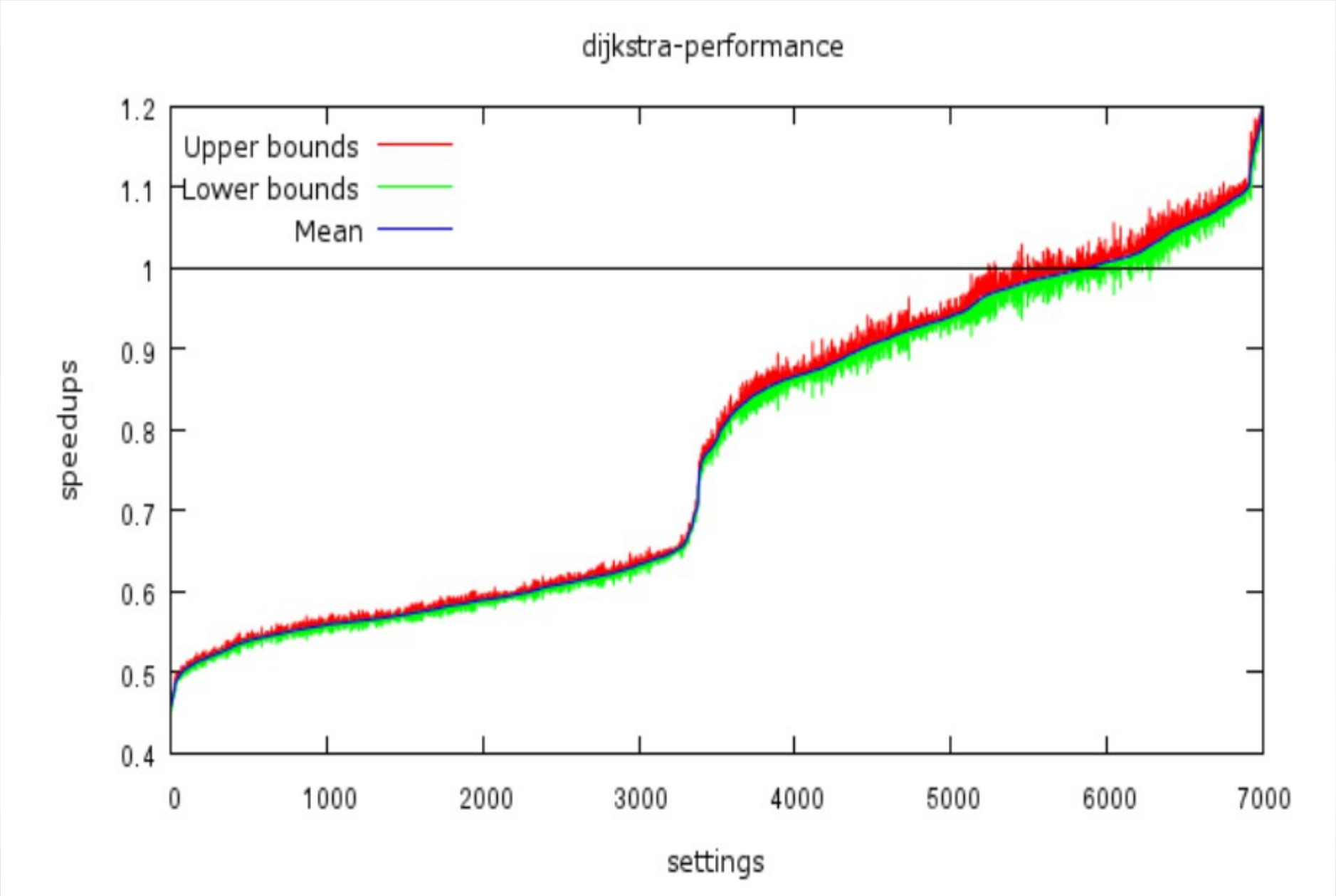
Workload Lag Cases



Iterative Compilation of Native Code



Performance - Dijkstra



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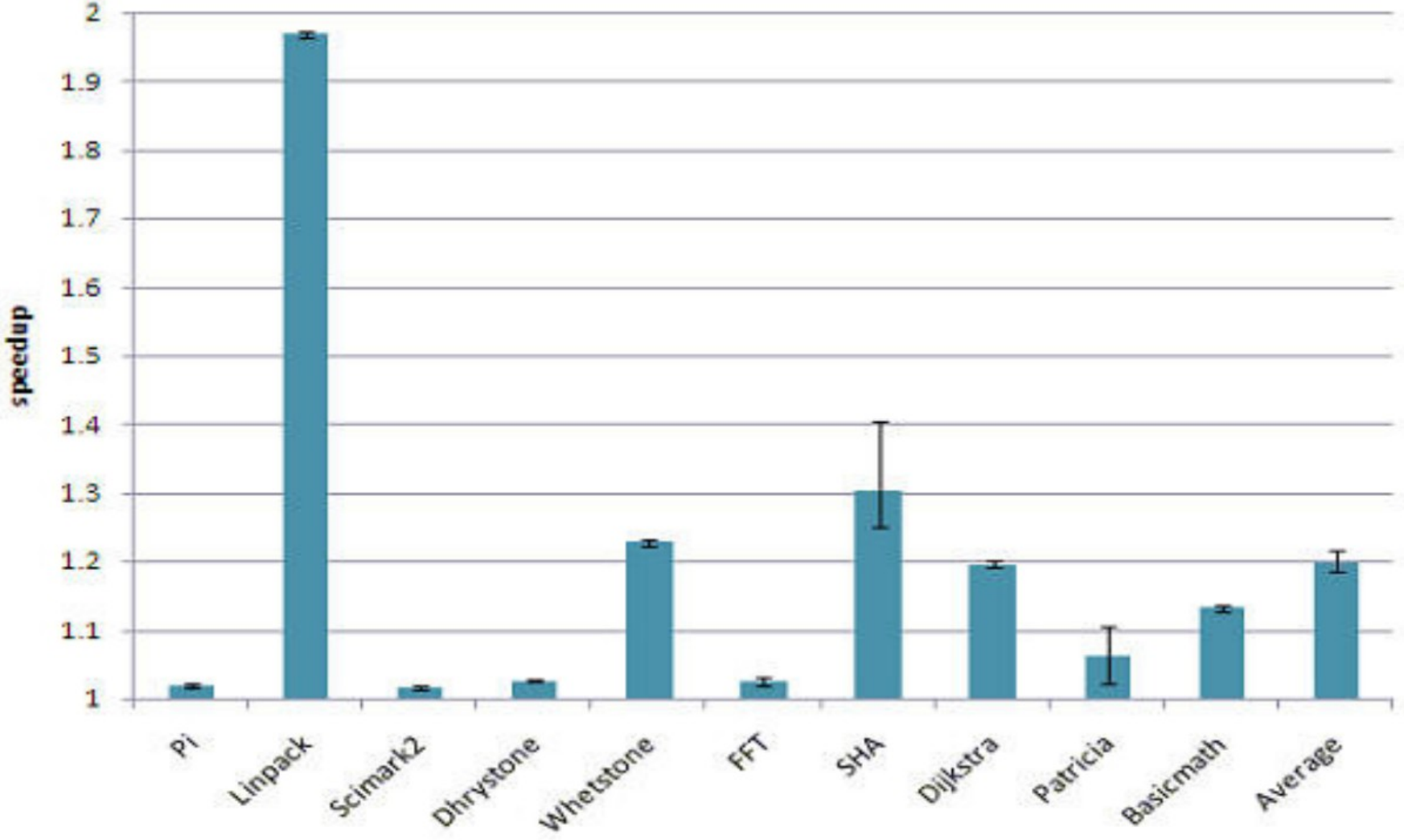
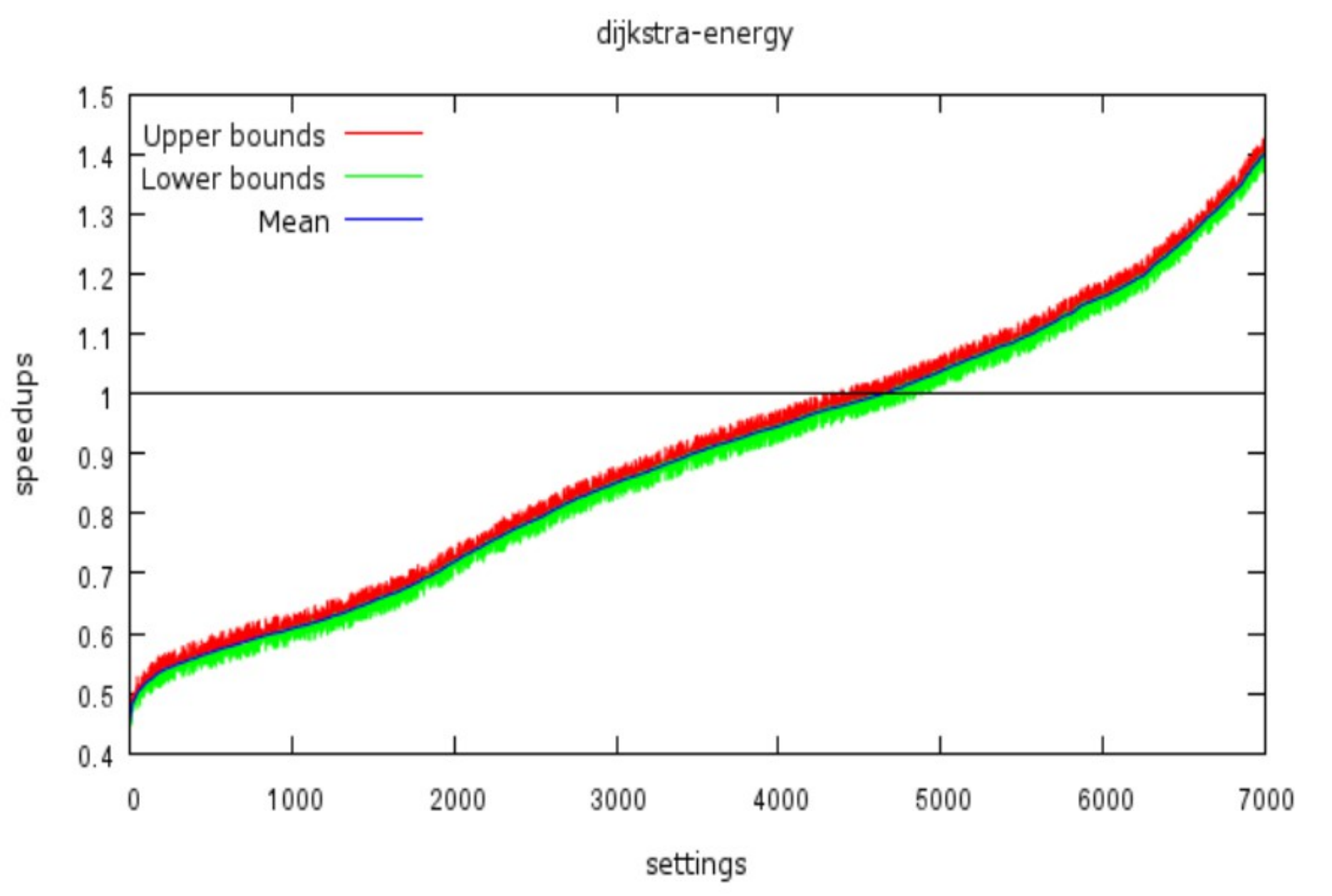


Figure 5.1: Maximum speedups of runtime

Energy - Dijkstra



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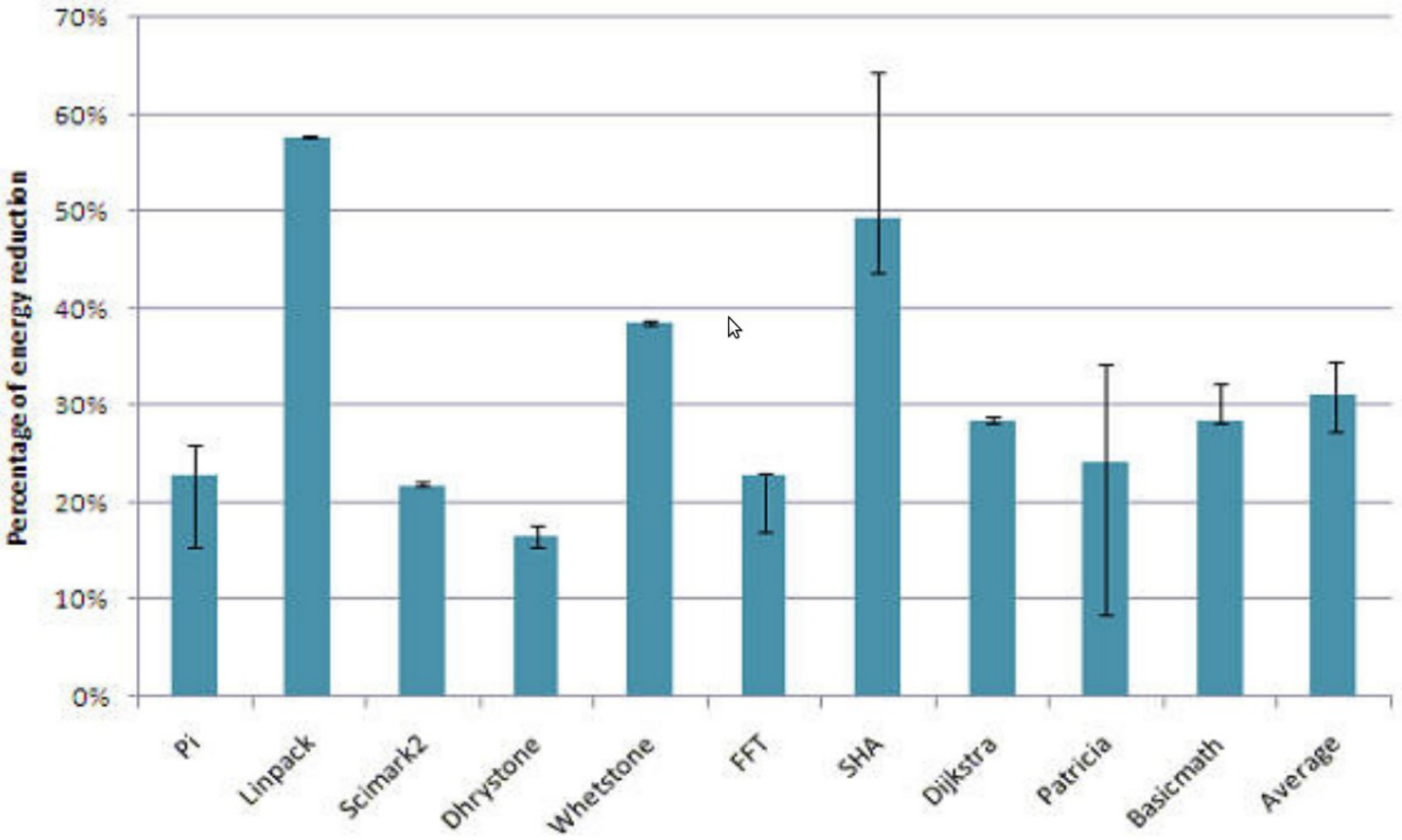
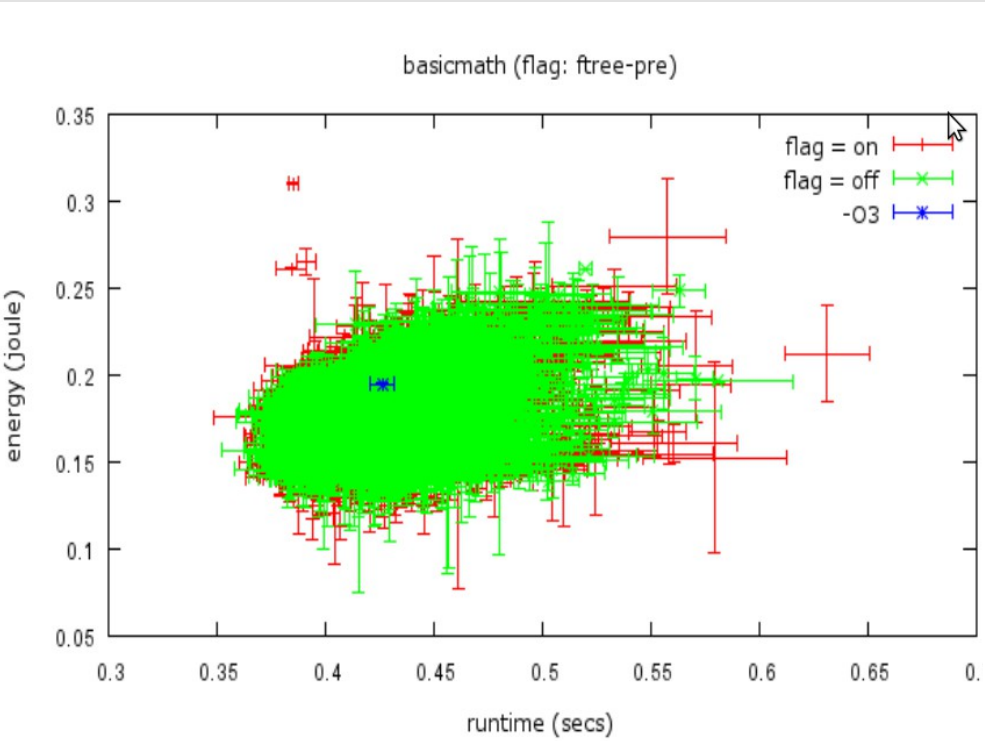
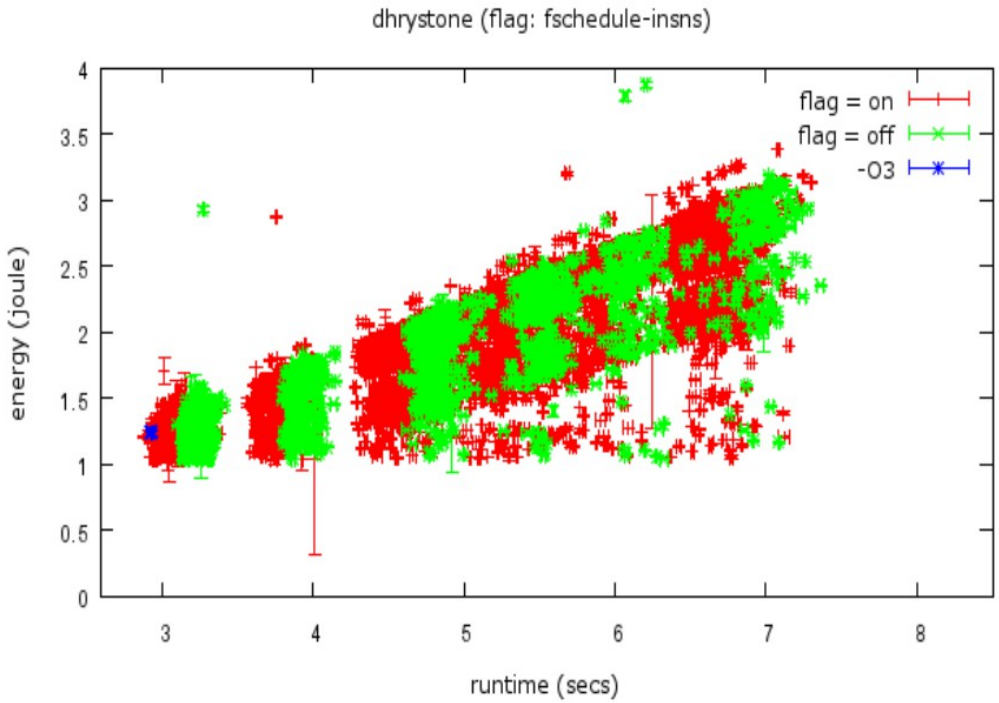


Figure 5.2: Maximum energy improvement rates

Energy vs Performance

- Are energy and performance correlated?





- Not really! Why?
- If could predict recharge time, change version