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Democratizing Computer Vision and Machine Learning with Open, Royalty-Free Standards: OpenVX

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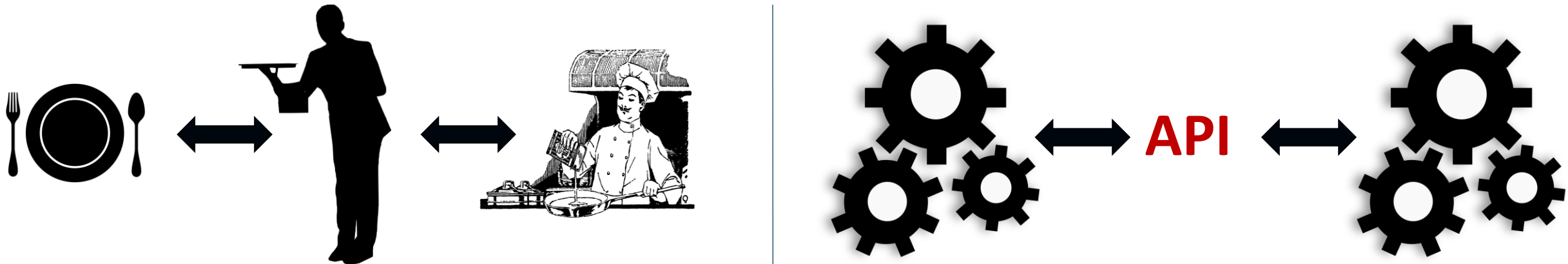
OpenVX 1.3 - Highlights & New Features



OpenVX™ is an **open, royalty-free API** standard for a **cross-platform** acceleration of computer vision applications

What is an API?

Application Programming Interface



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Why APIs are important

- Building Blocks
- Speeds up development
- Portability
- Innovation

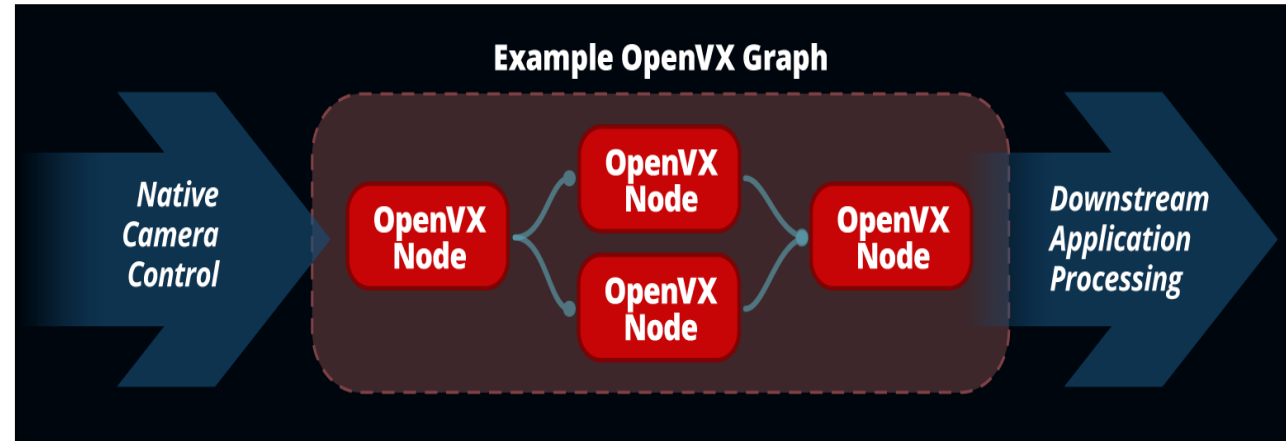
OpenVX™ enables portable, performance, and power-optimized computer vision processing, especially important in embedded and real-time use cases

OpenVX™ is unique in being the only vision API shipped as an **optimized driver**



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OpenVX™ Graph Framework



- OpenVX allows graph-level processing optimizations, which lets implementations to **fuse nodes** when possible to achieve **better overall performance**
- The graph also allows for auto **graph-level memory optimizations** to achieve a **low memory footprint**
- OpenVX **graph-optimized workloads** can be **deployed on a wide range of computer hardware**, including small embedded CPUs, ASICs, APUs, discrete GPUs, and heterogeneous servers

OpenVX 1.3 - Highlights & New Features

OpenVX™ 1.3 – Released on October 22nd, 2019

- Enable **deployment flexibility** while **avoiding fragmentation**, OpenVX 1.3 defines several **feature sets** that are targeted at common embedded use cases
- Hardware vendors can include **one or more** complete feature sets in their implementations to meet the needs of their customers and be fully conformant
- The flexibility of OpenVX enables deployment on a **diverse range of accelerator architectures**, and feature sets are expected to dramatically increase the breadth and diversity of available OpenVX implementations

The defined OpenVX 1.3 feature sets include:

- **Graph Infrastructure** - baseline for other Feature Sets
- **Vision** - core vision functionality
- **Enhanced Vision** - functions introduced in OpenVX 1.2
- **Neural Network Inferencing** - including tensor objects
- **NNEF Kernel import** - including tensor objects
- **Binary Images** – one bit images
- **Safety Critical** - reduced features to enable easier safety certification

Question: Is OpenVX an Open-Sourced Library?

- Callable API implemented, optimized OpenVX drivers are created, optimized, and shipped by processor vendors

Question: Must I pay royalties and licensing fee to use OpenVX?

- Protected under Khronos IP Framework - Khronos members agree not to assert patents against API when used in Conformant implementations

Question: Must I be a Khronos member to use OpenVX?

- Khronos members and non-members develop conformant implementations to be used by all

Question: Is OpenVX Functions limiting?

- Tight focus on dozens of core hardware accelerated functions plus extensions and accelerated custom nodes
- Users can create custom nodes and vendors can create custom extensions, with some cost in terms of portability

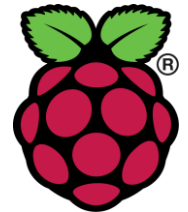
Question: Are Implementations different in functionality?

- Core API provides identical functionality across platforms due to strict conformance testing
- Implementations must pass Khronos Conformance Test Suite to use trademark
- **Conformance does not** extend to **vendor extensions** and **custom nodes** created by users
- Popular vendor extensions adopted as **Khronos extensions** with conformance testing

Conformant OpenVX Implementations

- Conformant Implementations **must pass** exhaustive conformance test suite
- Hardware vendors provide optimized OpenVX drivers, architected to get the best performance from their silicon architecture and ready for developers to use

Conformant Implementations of OpenVX from the following vendors:



OpenVX Sample Implementation

Open-Sourced OpenVX Sample Implementation available on **GitHub** -
<https://github.com/KhronosGroup/OpenVX-sample-impl>

The purpose of this software package is to provide a sample implementation of the OpenVX 1.3 Specification that passes the conformance test. It is NOT intended to be a reference implementation

Optimized OpenVX libraries available from vendor implementations

IS:

- **passing OpenVX 1.3 conformance tests**

IS NOT:

- **a reference implementation**
- **optimized**
- **production ready**



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- The **Khronos Group** and the **Raspberry Pi Foundation** have worked together to implement an **open-source** implementation of **OpenVX™ 1.3**, which **passes the conformance** on Raspberry Pi
- The open-source implementation passes the **Vision, Enhanced Vision, & Neural Net Conformance Profiles** specified in OpenVX 1.3 on Raspberry Pi
- The Implementation is **NEON optimized**

Conformant hardware

- Raspberry Pi 3 Model B Rev 1.2
- Raspberry Pi 4 Model B Rev 1.2

OpenVX for Raspberry Pi

“Raspberry Pi is excited to bring the Khronos OpenVX 1.3 API to our line of single-board computers. Many of the most exciting commercial and hobbyist applications of our products involve computer vision, and we hope that the availability of OpenVX will help lower barriers to entry for newcomers to the field.”

Eben Upton
Chief Executive Raspberry Pi Trading

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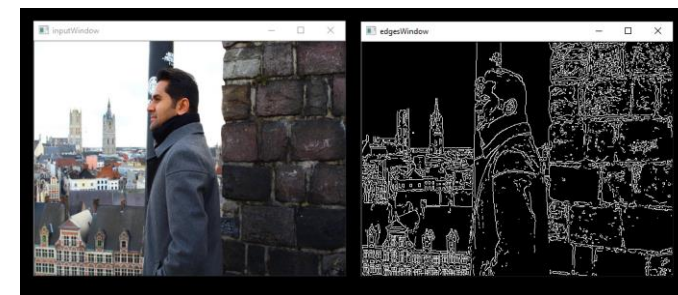
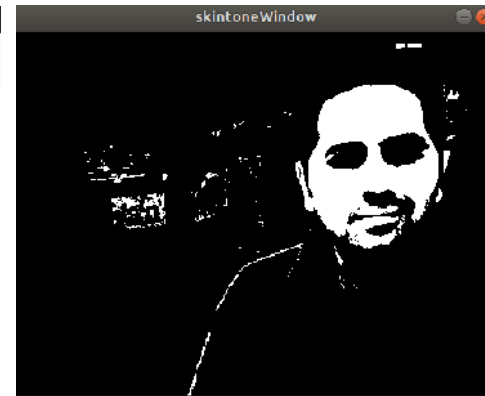
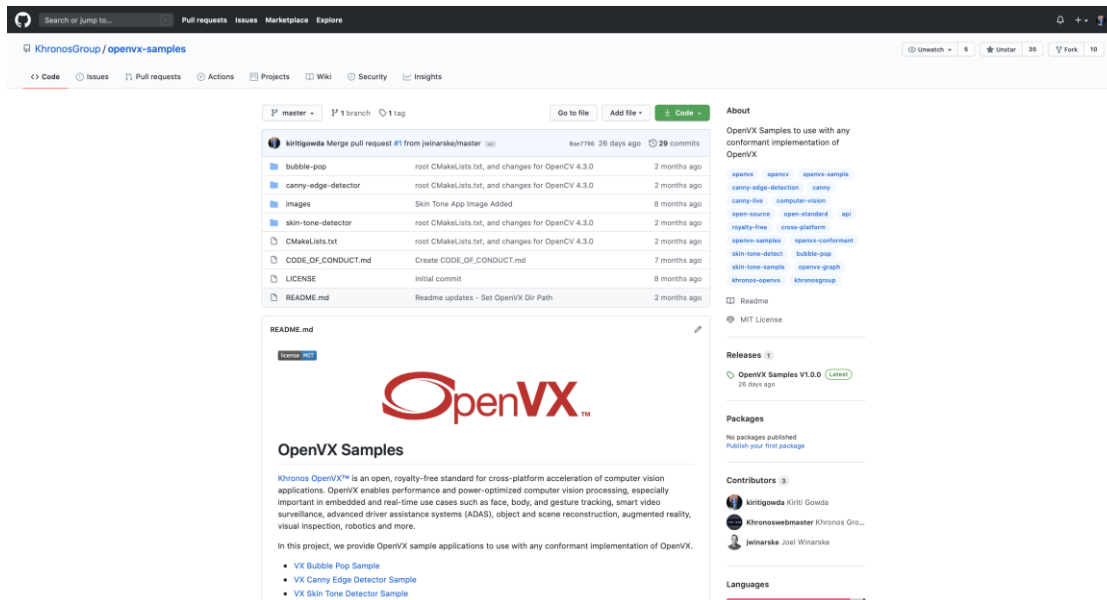
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Open-Source OpenVX Samples

Open-source OpenVX sample applications, to use with **any conformant implementation** of OpenVX available on GitHub



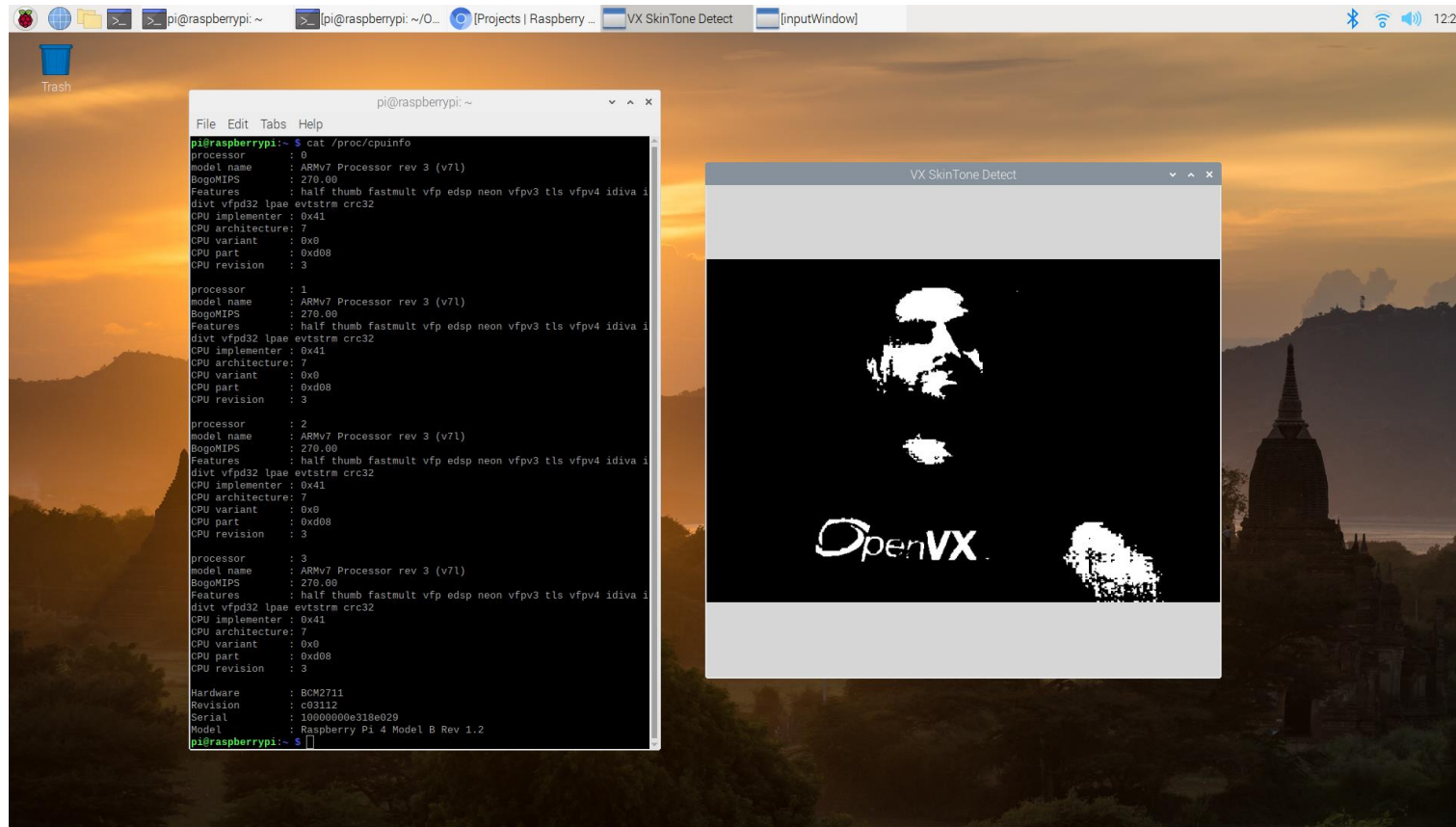
SkinTone Detector Sample

```
# extract R,G,B channels and compute R-G and R-B
node org.khronos.openvx.channel_extract input !CHANNEL_R R
node org.khronos.openvx.channel_extract input !CHANNEL_G G
node org.khronos.openvx.channel_extract input !CHANNEL_B B
node org.khronos.openvx.subtract R G !SATURATE RmG
node org.khronos.openvx.subtract R B !SATURATE RmB
# compute threshold
node org.khronos.openvx.threshold R thr95 R95
node org.khronos.openvx.threshold G thr40 G40
node org.khronos.openvx.threshold B thr20 B20
node org.khronos.openvx.threshold RmG thr15 RmG15
node org.khronos.openvx.threshold RmB thr0 RmB0
# aggregate all thresholded values to produce SKIN pixels
node org.khronos.openvx.and R95 G40 and1
node org.khronos.openvx.and and1 B20 and2
node org.khronos.openvx.and RmG15 RmB0 and3
node org.khronos.openvx.and and2 and3 output

# extract R channel
# extract G channel
# extract B channel
# compute R-G
# compute R-B
# compute R > 95
# compute G > 40
# compute B > 20
# compute RmG > 15
# compute RmB > 0
# compute R95 & G40
# compute B20 & and1
# compute RmG15 & RmB0
# compute and2 & and3 as output
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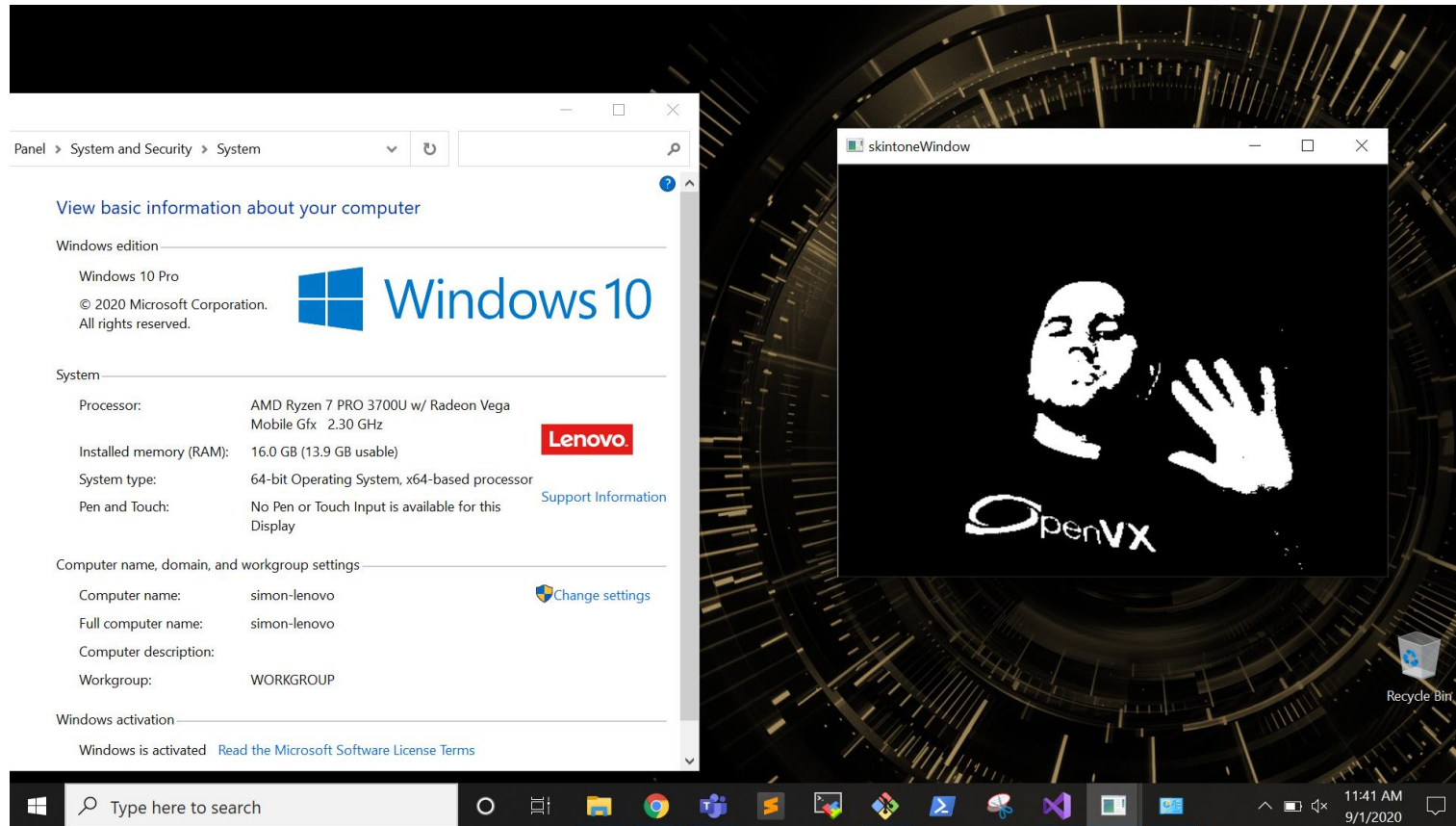

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SkinTone Detector Sample – On Raspberry Pi 4 Model B Rev 1.2



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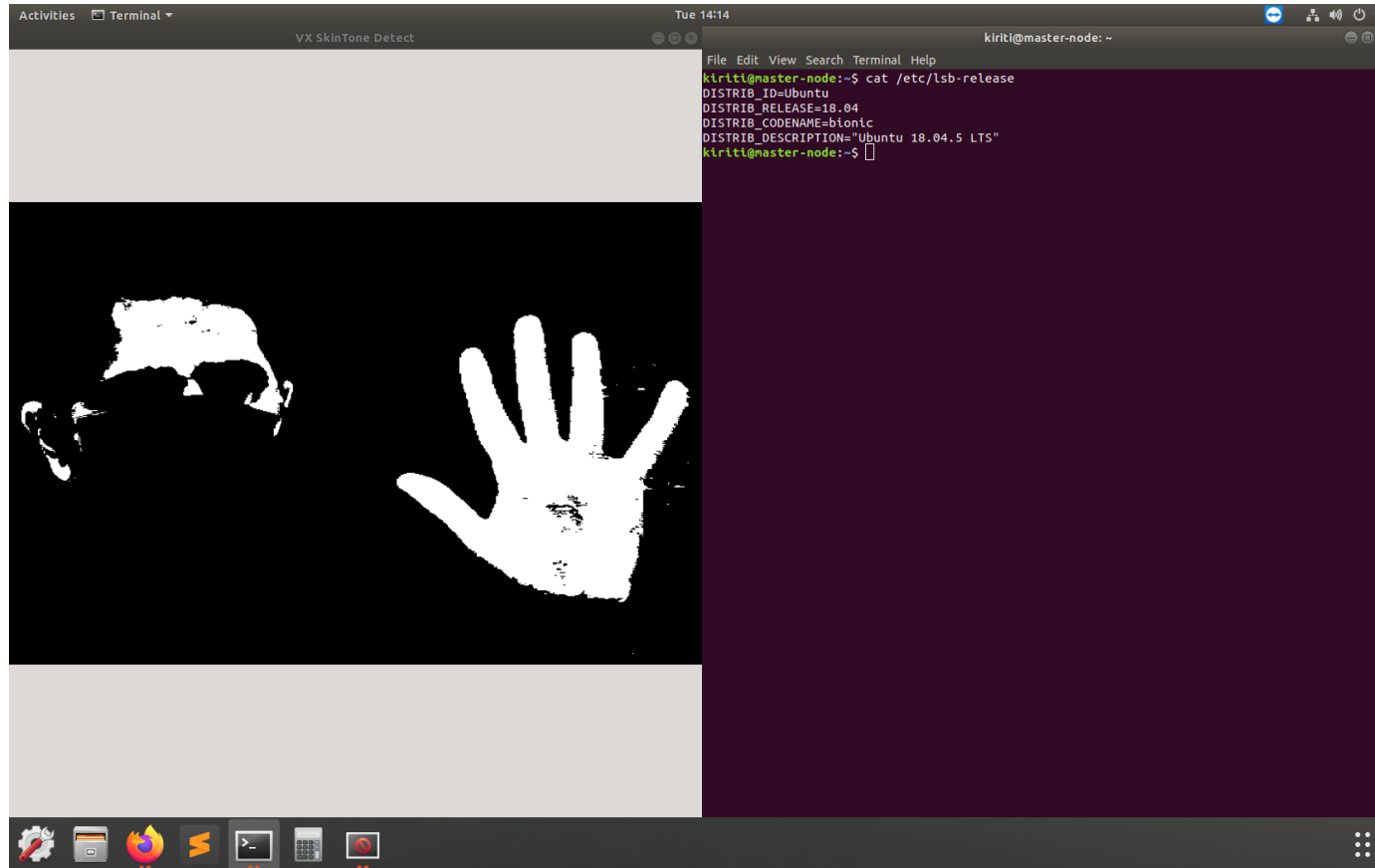
SkinTone Detector Sample – On X86 Processor Windows



* using AMDs open-sourced MIVisionX for OpenVX Libraries

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SkinTone Detector Sample – On X86 Processor Linux



* using Khronos OpenVX open-sourced Sample Implementation for OpenVX Libraries

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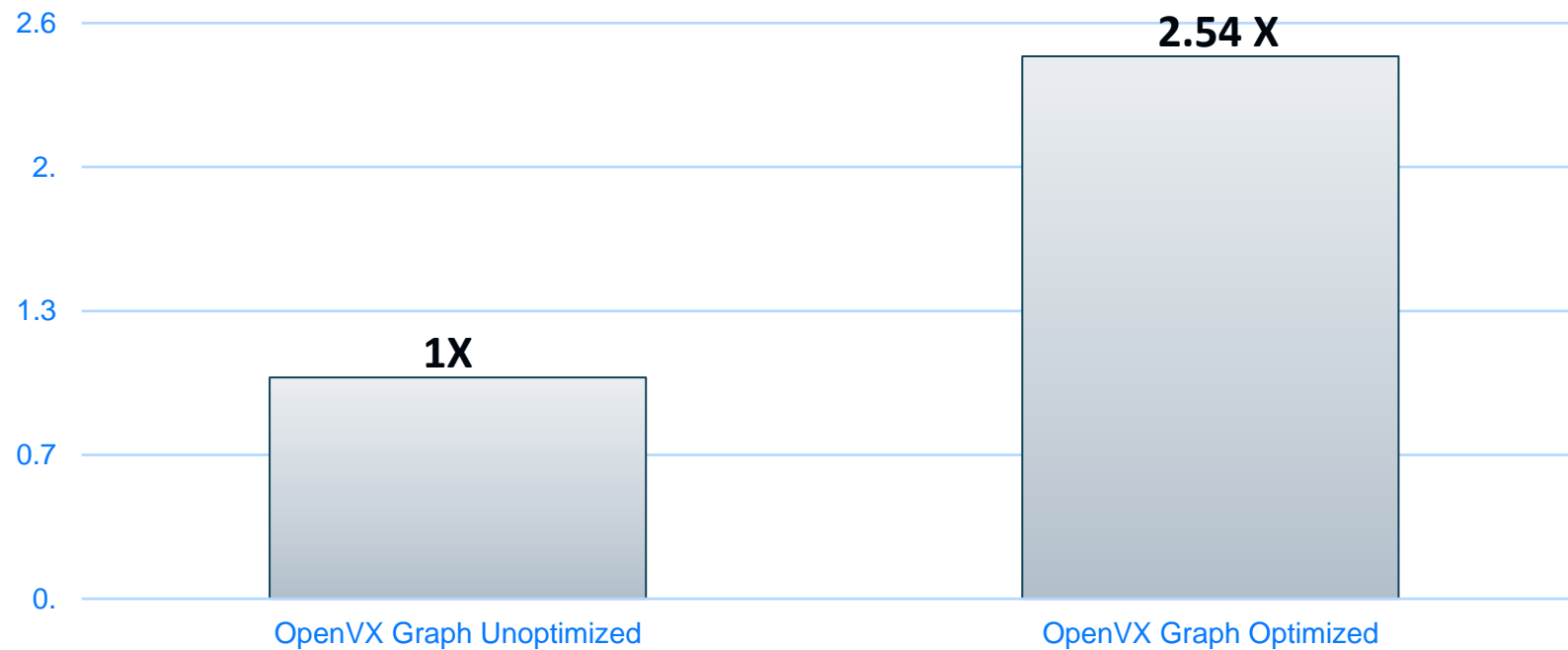
SkinTone Detector Sample – On MacOS



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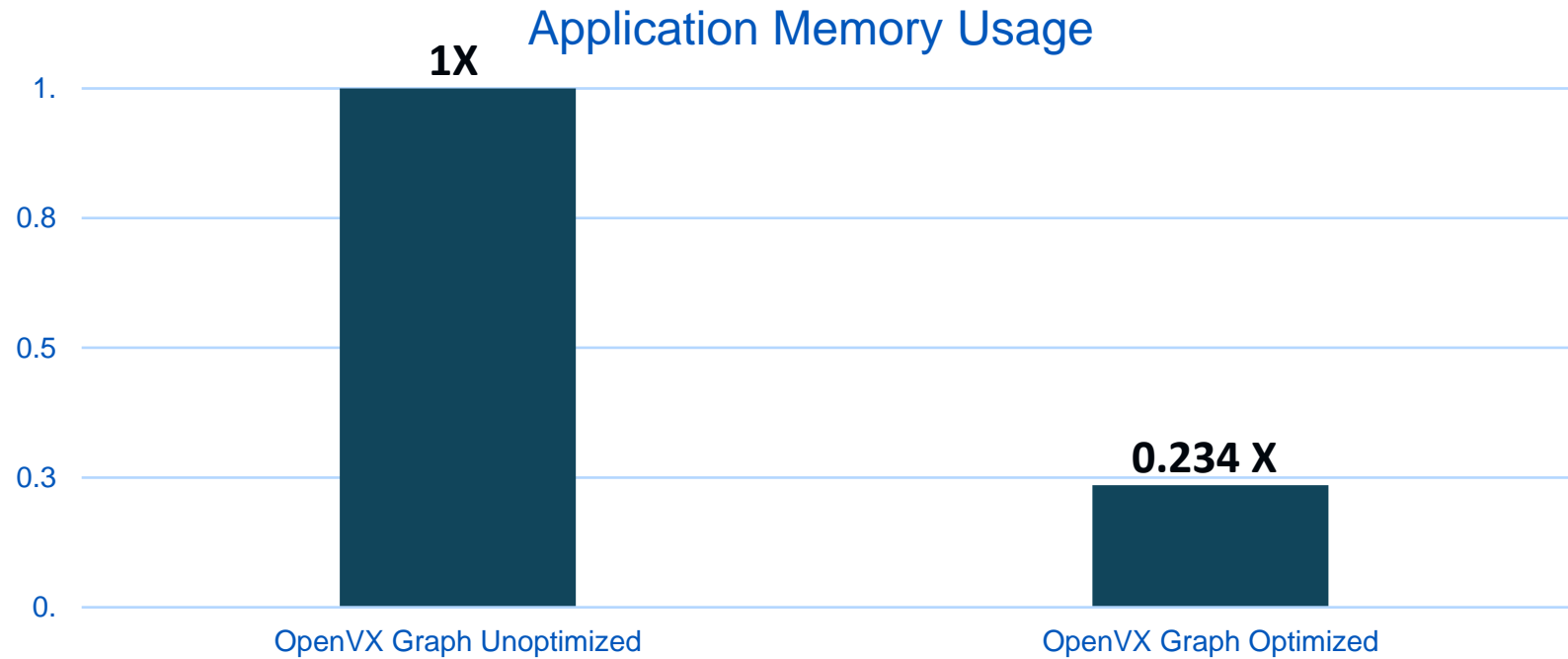
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SkinTone Detector Sample – Performance



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SkinTone Detector Sample – Memory Footprint



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OpenVX™

- OpenVX is unique in being the only vision API shipped as an **optimized driver**
- OpenVX delivers performance comparable to **hand-optimized, non-portable** code
- **Acceleration** on a **wide range** of vision hardware architectures
- OpenVX provides a **high-level Graph-based abstraction**
 - Enables Graph-level optimizations
 - Can be implemented on almost any hardware or processor
- **Portable, Efficient Vision Processing!**

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- **Embedded Vision Summit 2020 Organizers**

OpenVX Resources - Khronos

Sample Implementation:

<https://github.com/KhronosGroup/OpenVX-sample-impl>

Sample Applications:

<https://github.com/KhronosGroup/openvx-samples>

Tutorial Material:

https://github.com/rgiduthuri/openvx_tutorial

Conformant Implementations

<https://www.khronos.org/conformance/adopters/conformant-products/openvx>

Khronos OpenVX API Registry

<https://www.khronos.org/registry/OpenVX/>

OpenVX for Raspberry Pi

<https://www.raspberrypi.org/blog/openvx-api-for-raspberry-pi/>

AMD ROCm MIVisionX - OpenVX

<https://gpuopen-professionalcompute-libraries.github.io/MIVisionX/>

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