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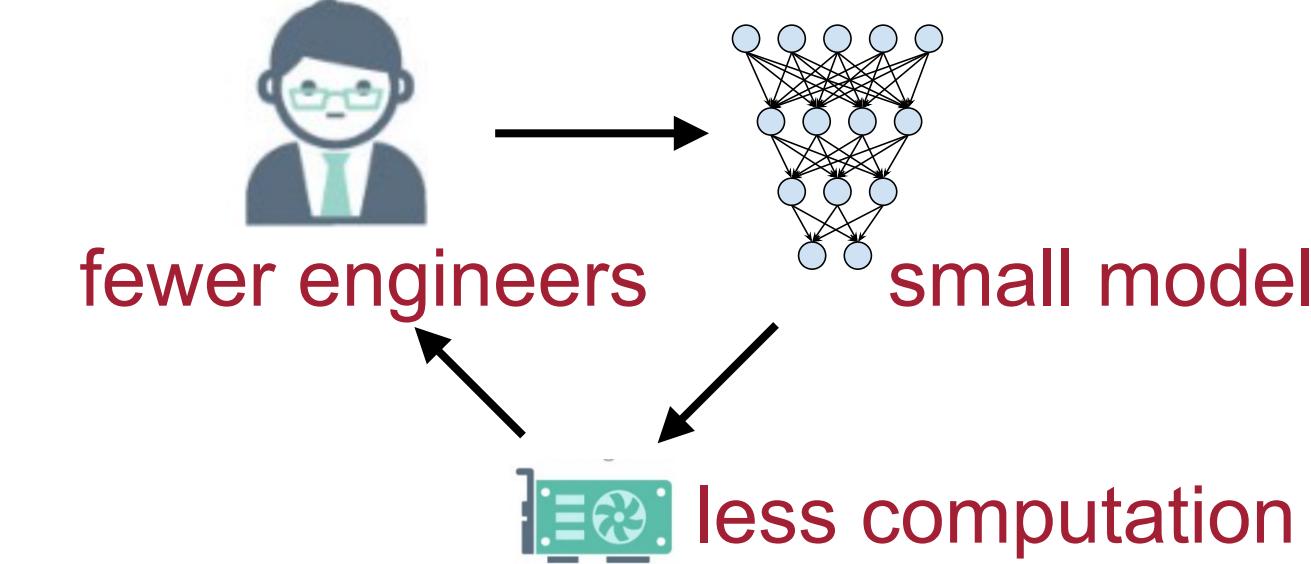
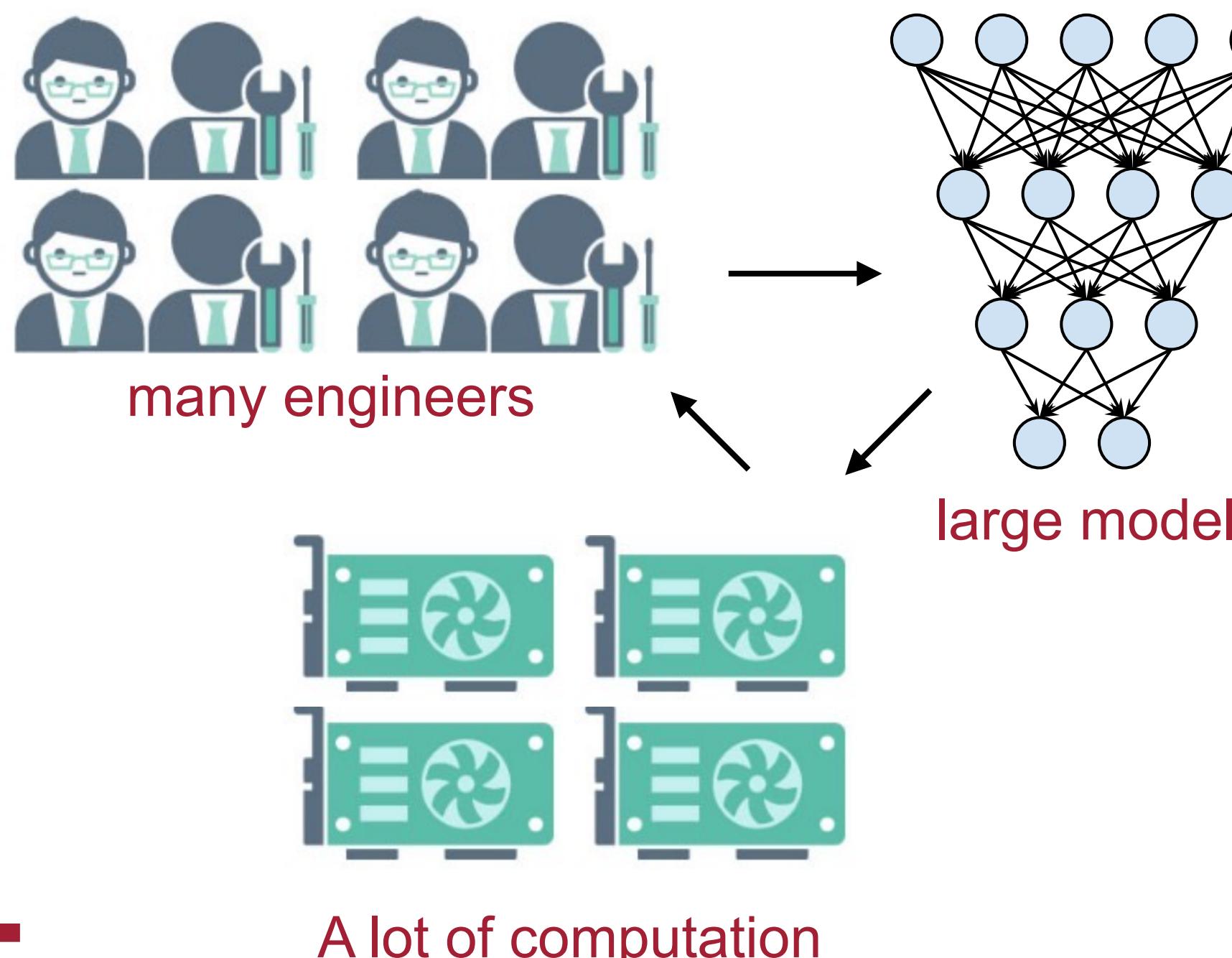
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[Once-for-All](#), ICLR'20



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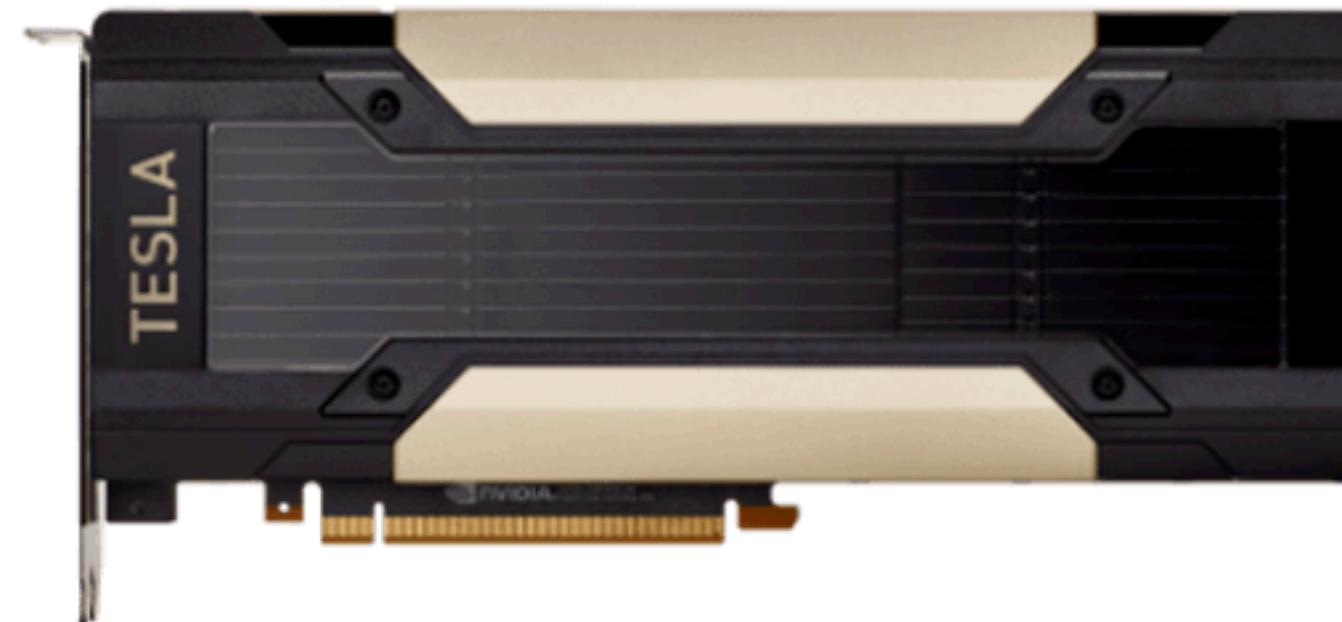


Less Engineer Resources: AutoML

Less Computational Resources: TinyML

Challenge: Efficient Inference on Diverse Hardware Platforms

Cloud AI



- Memory: 32GB
- Computation: TFLOPS/s

less
resource →

Mobile AI



- Memory: 4GB
- Computation: GFLOPS/s

less
resource →

Tiny AI (AIoT)



- **Memory: <100 KB**
- **Computation: <MFLOPS/s**

- Different hardware platforms have different resource constraints. We need to **customize** our models **for each platform** to achieve the best accuracy-efficiency trade-off, **especially on** resource-constrained **edge devices**.

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for training iterations:
forward-backward();

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(1) for search episodes:

for training iterations:

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 if good_model: break;

for post-search training iterations:

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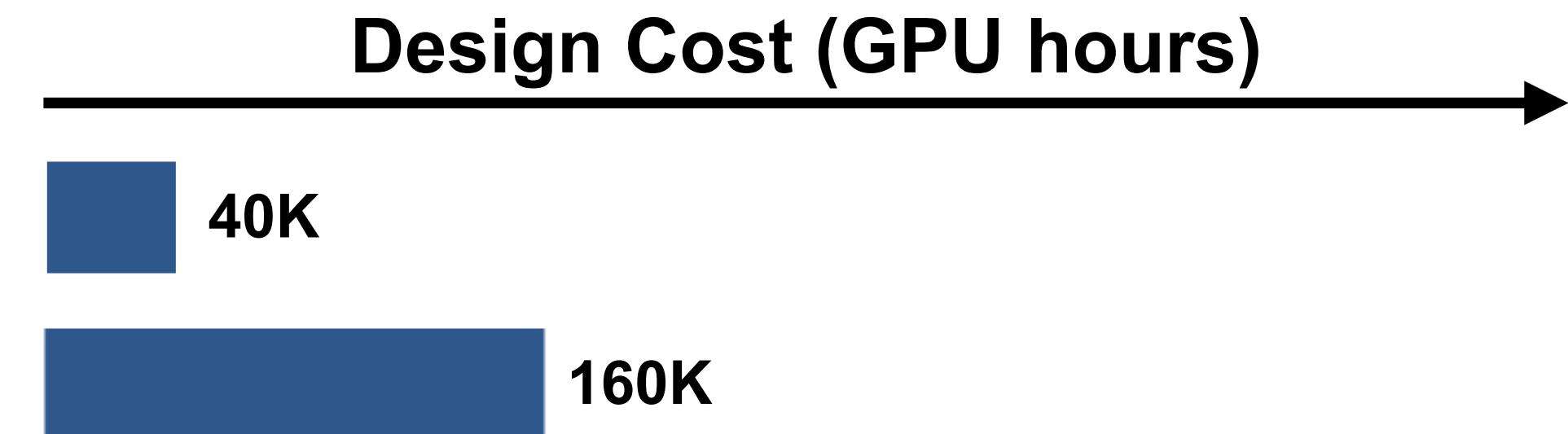
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Diverse Hardware Platforms



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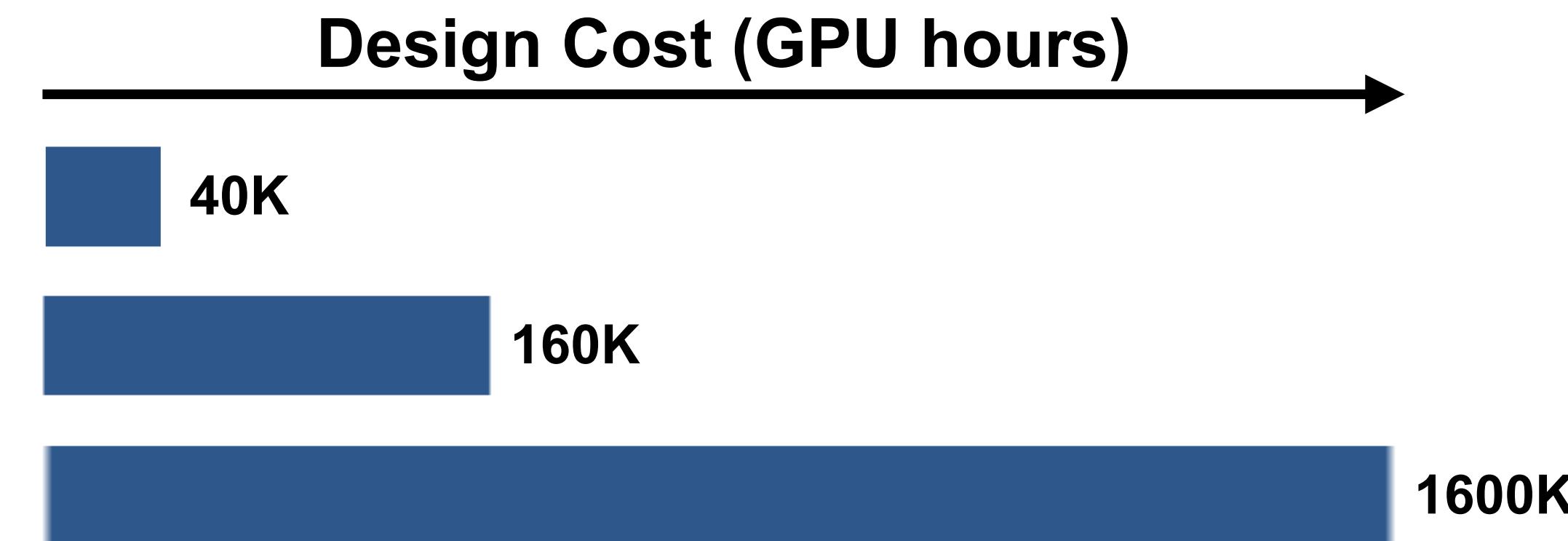
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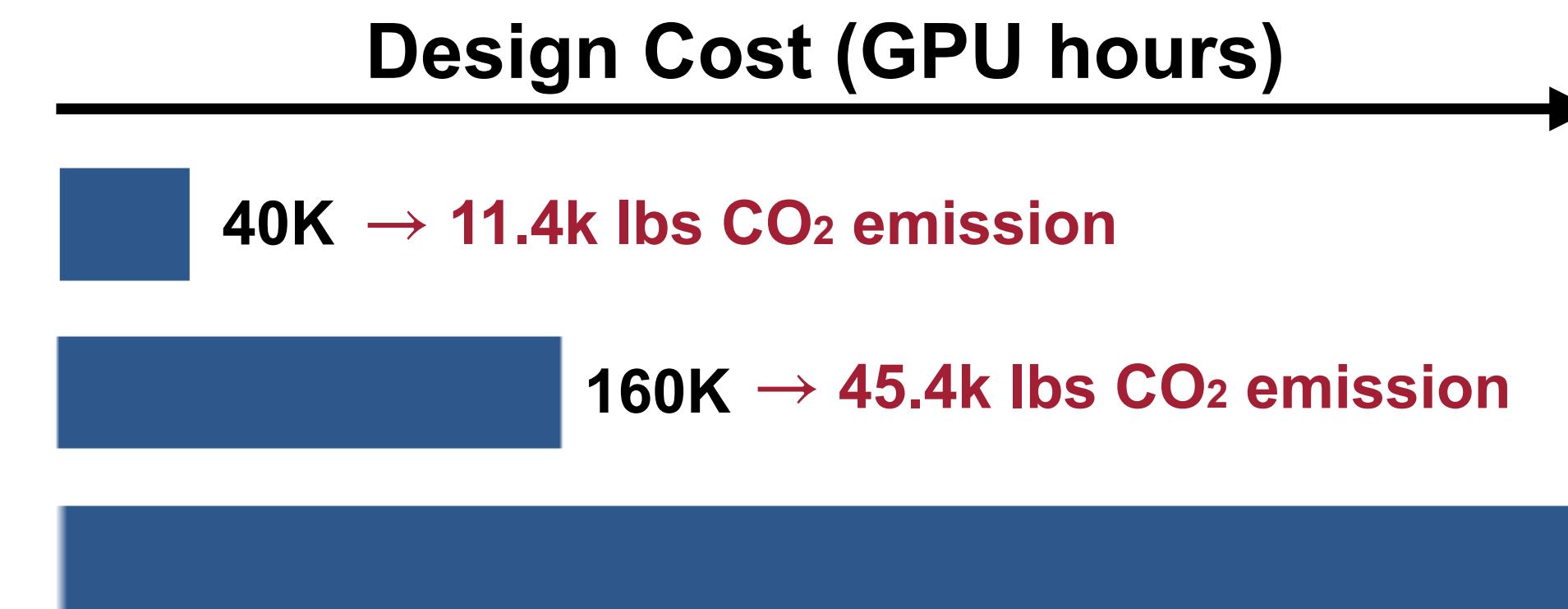
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Problem:

TinyML comes at the cost of BigML

(inference)

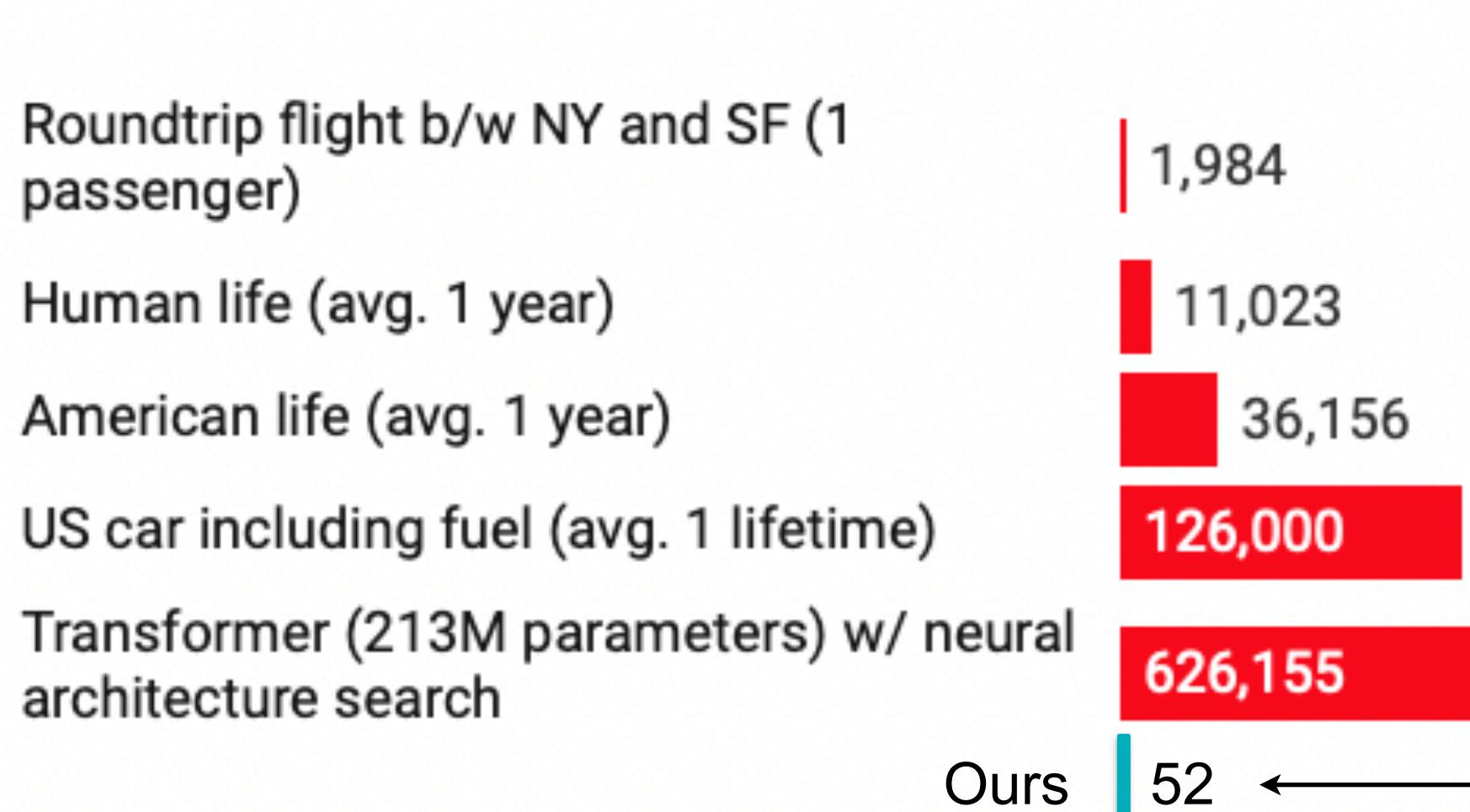
(training/search)



**We need Green AI:
Solve the Environmental Problem of NAS**

Common carbon footprint benchmarks

in lbs of CO₂ equivalent



Artificial intelligence / Machine learning

Training a single AI model can emit as much carbon as five cars in their lifetimes

Deep learning has a terrible carbon footprint.

by Karen Hao

June 6, 2019

The [artificial-intelligence industry](#) is often compared to the oil industry: once mined and refined, data, like oil, can be a highly lucrative commodity. Now it seems the metaphor may extend even further. Like its fossil-fuel counterpart, the process of [deep learning](#) has an outsize environmental impact.

ICML'19, ACL'19

ACL'20

Hardware-Aware Transformer

OFA: Decouple Training and Search

Conventional NAS

- (2) for devices:
- (1) for search episodes:

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for training iterations:  
    forward-backward();
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for OFA training iterations:  
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for devices:

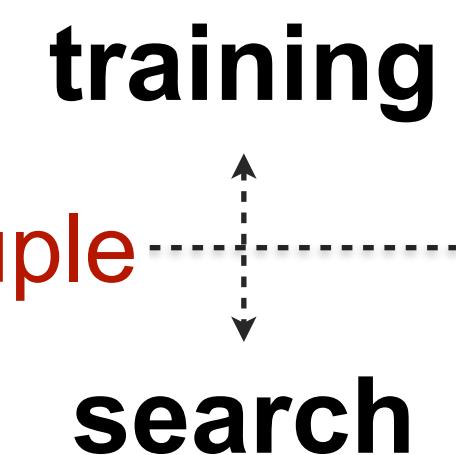
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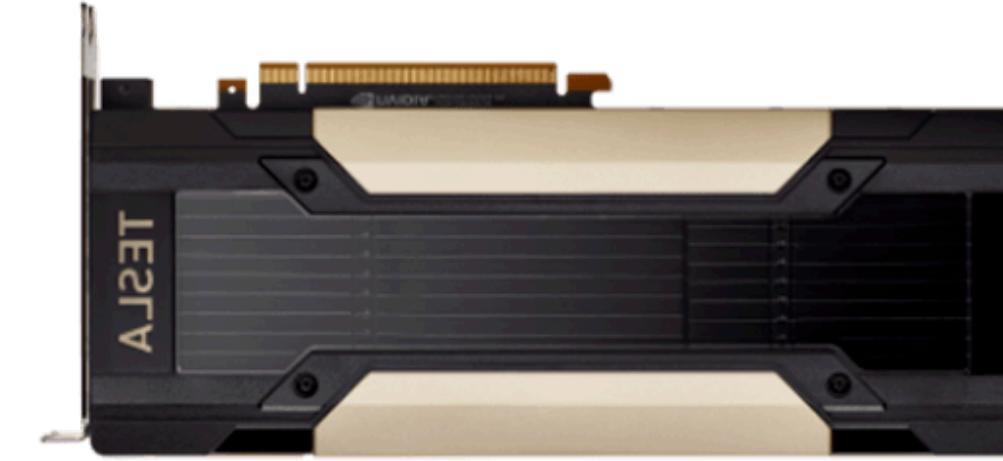
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Once-for-All:



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Cloud AI (10^{12} FLOPS)



Mobile AI (10^9 FLOPS)



Tiny AI (10^6 FLOPS)

for OFA training iterations:
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Design Cost (GPU hours)

training

40K → 11.4k lbs CO₂ emission

decouple

search

160K → 45.4k lbs CO₂ emission

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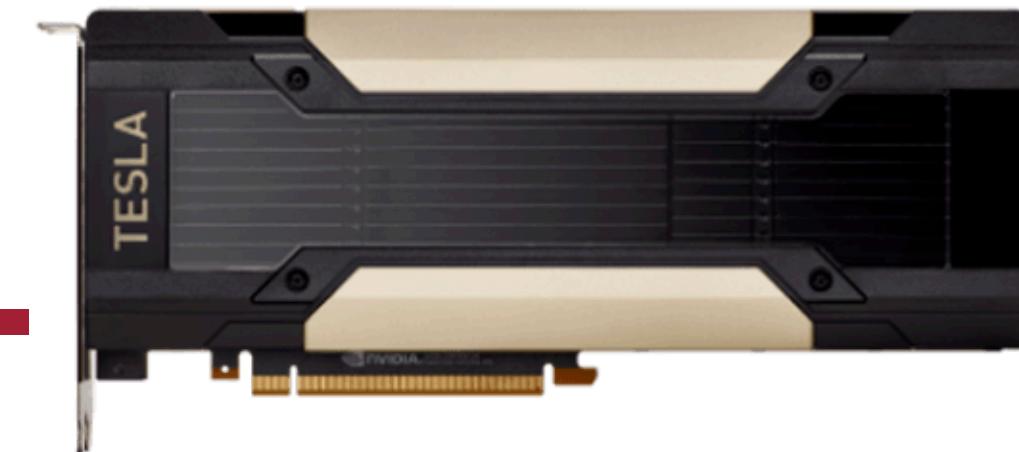
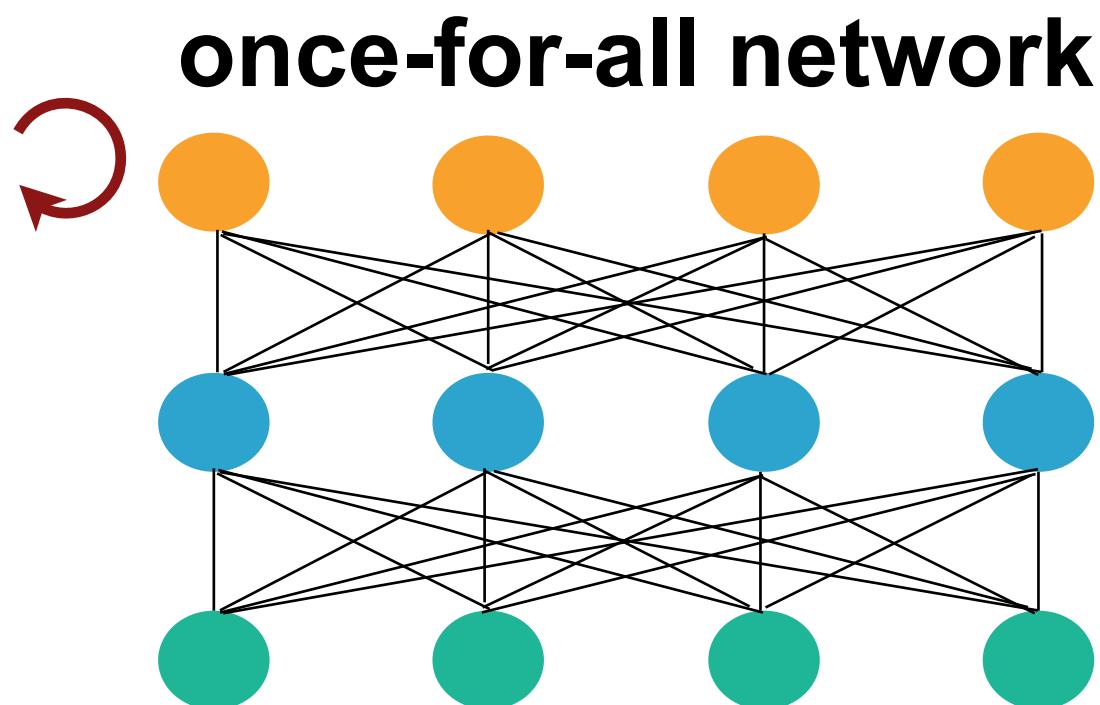
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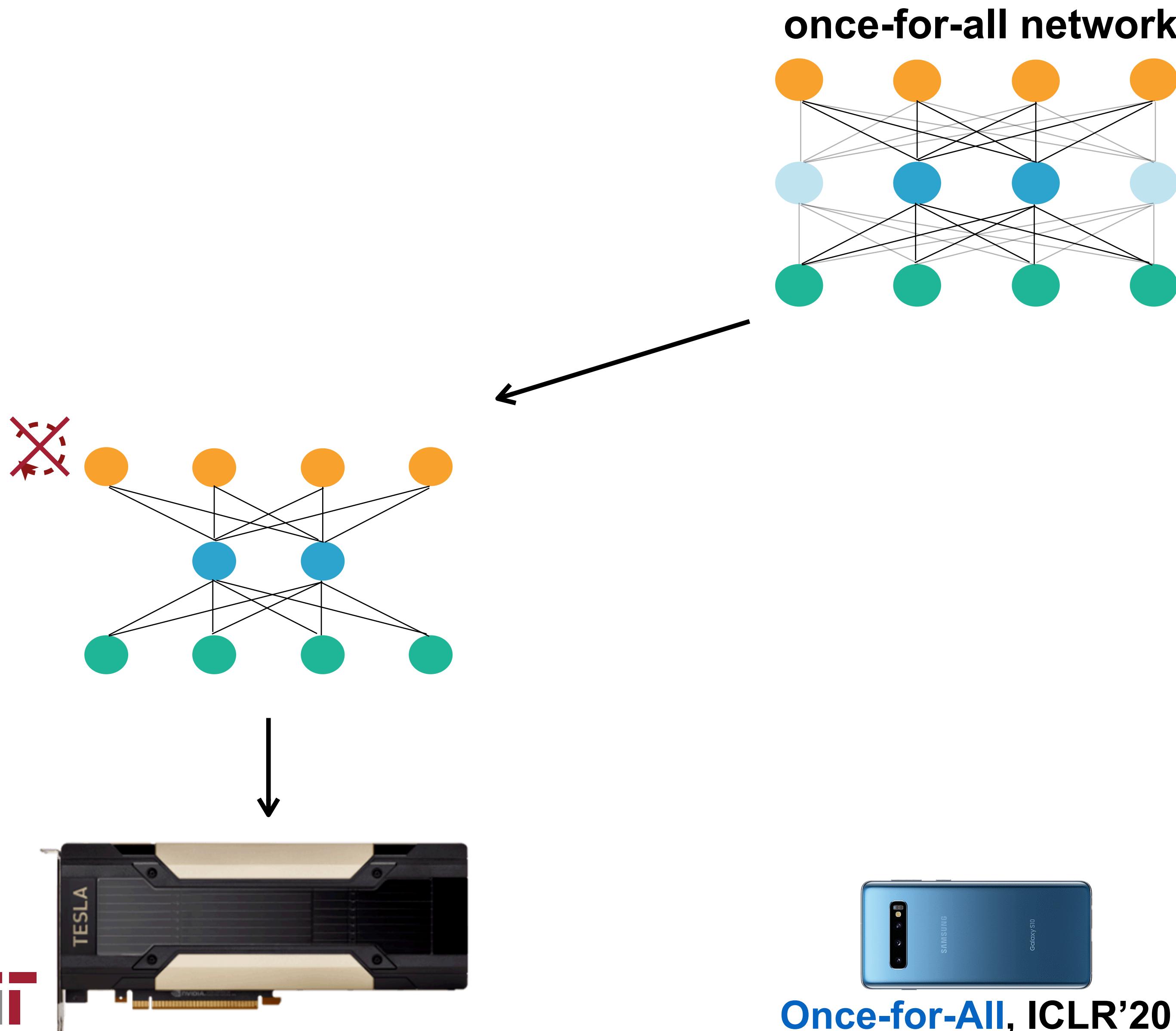
Once-for-All Network

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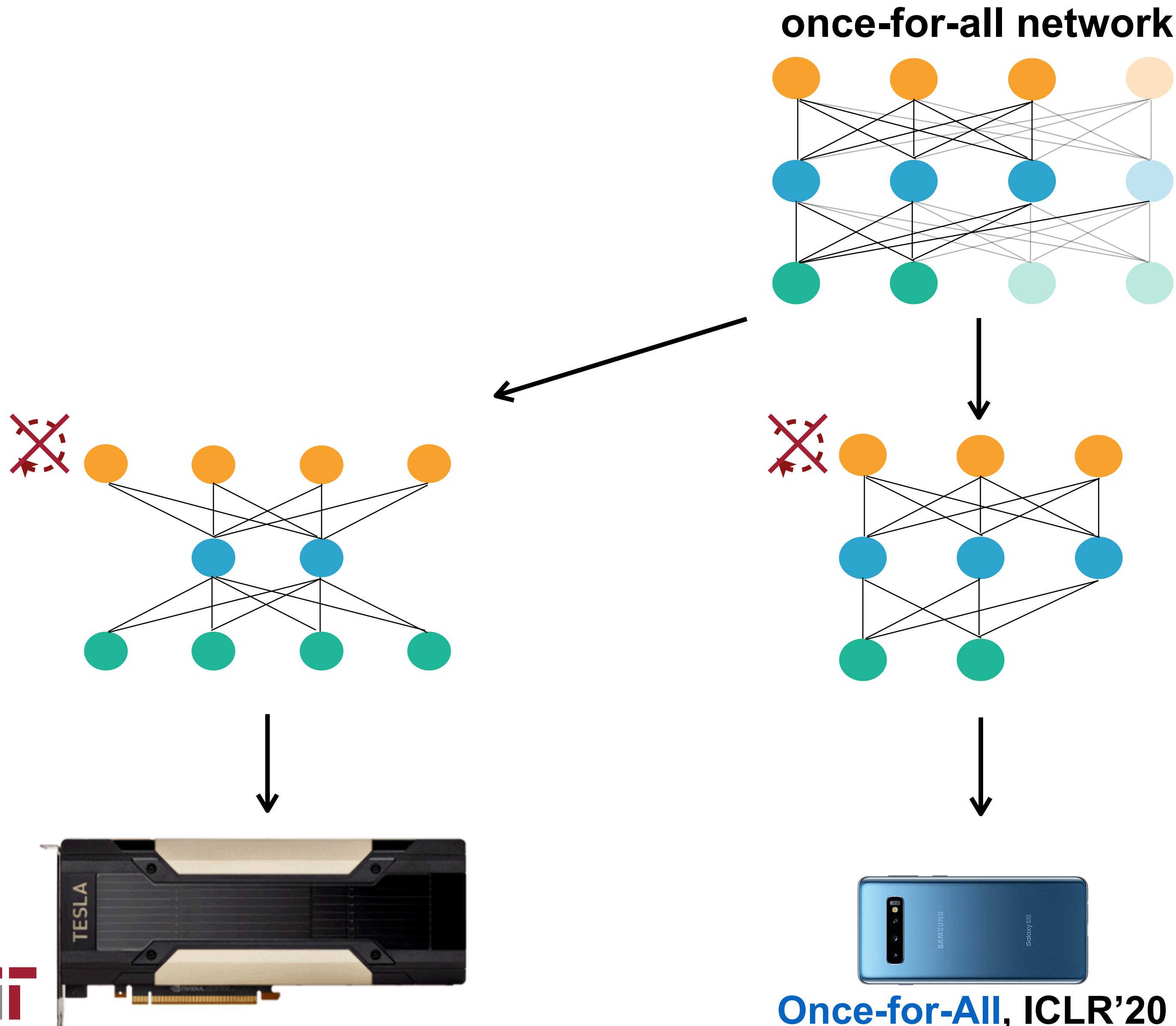
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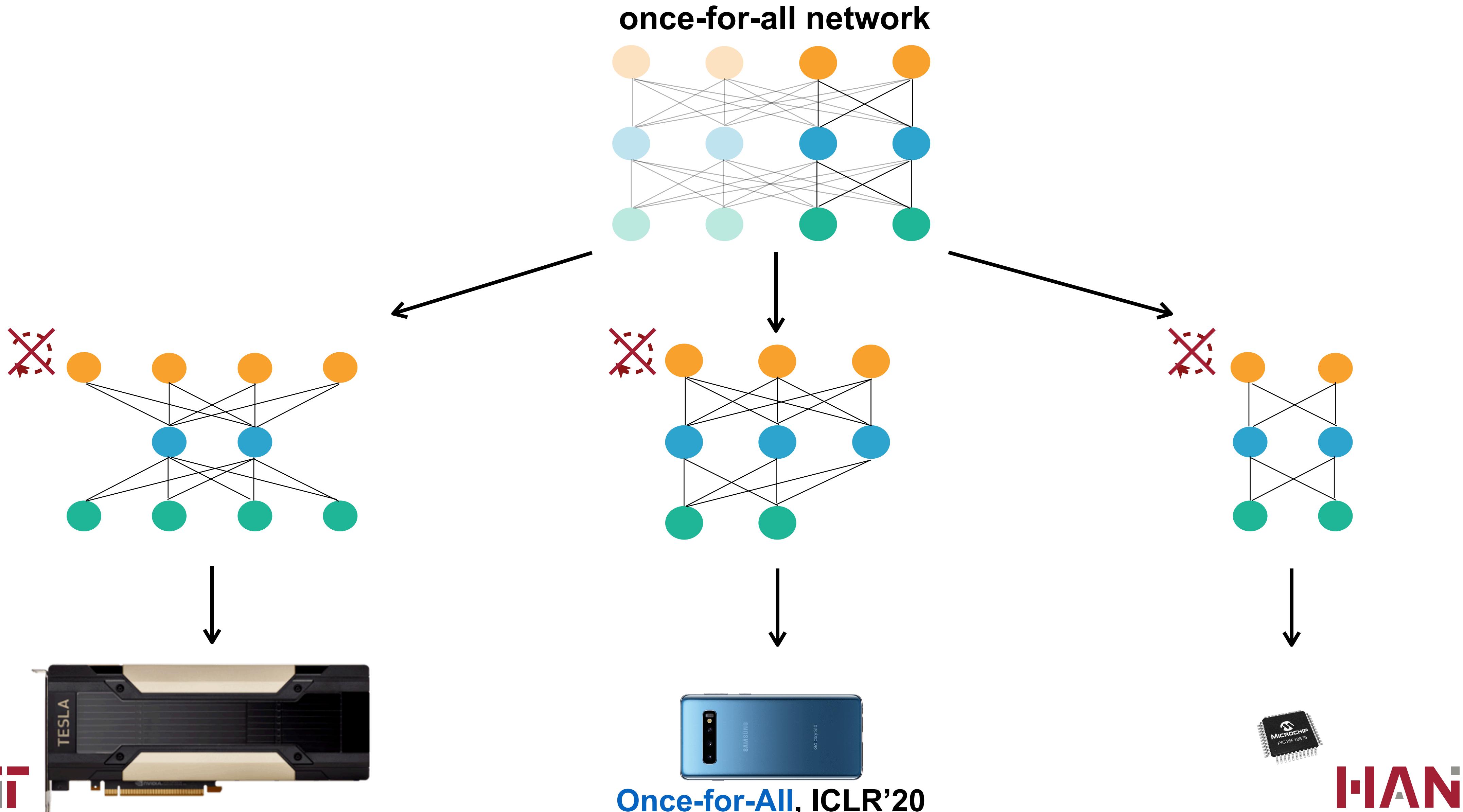
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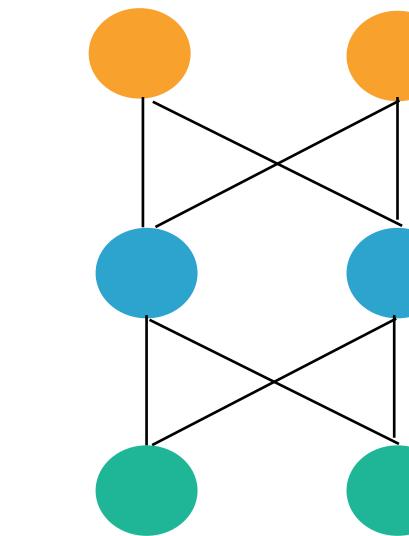
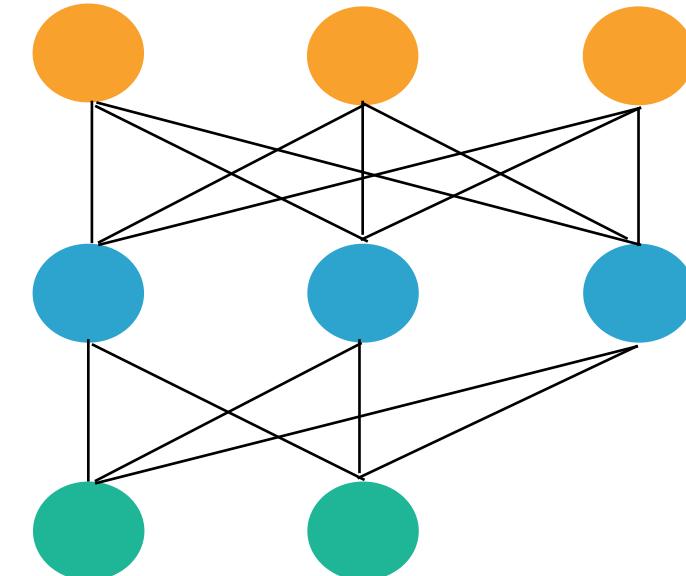
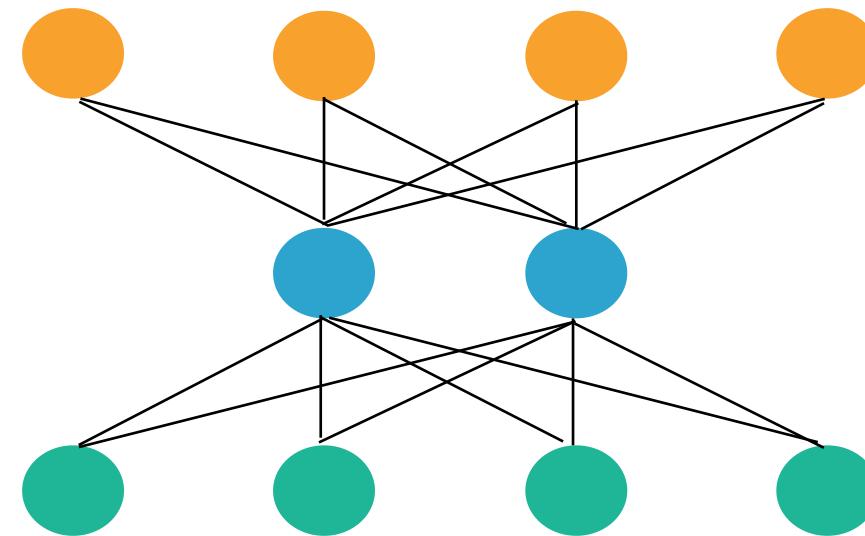
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Challenge: how to prevent different subnetworks from interfering with each other?

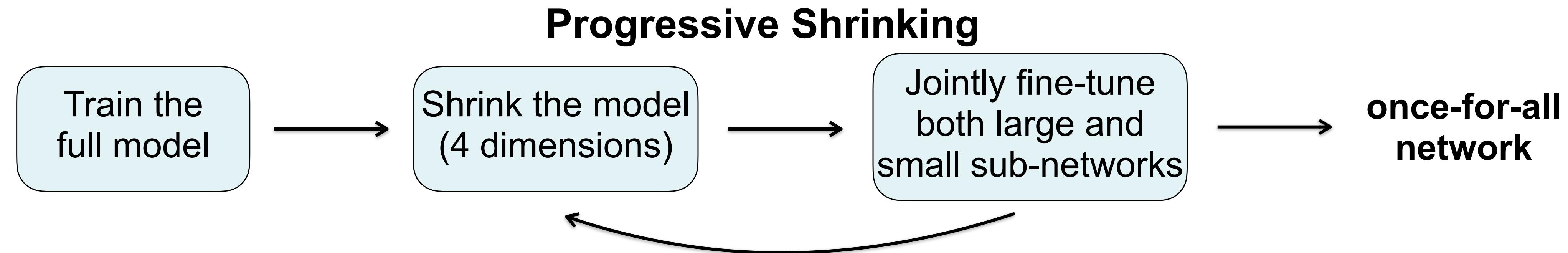


Solution: Progressive Shrinking

- More than 10^{19} **different sub-networks** in a single once-for-all network, covering 4 different dimensions: **resolution, kernel size, depth, width**.
- Directly optimizing the once-for-all network from scratch is much more challenging than training a normal neural network given so many sub-networks to support.

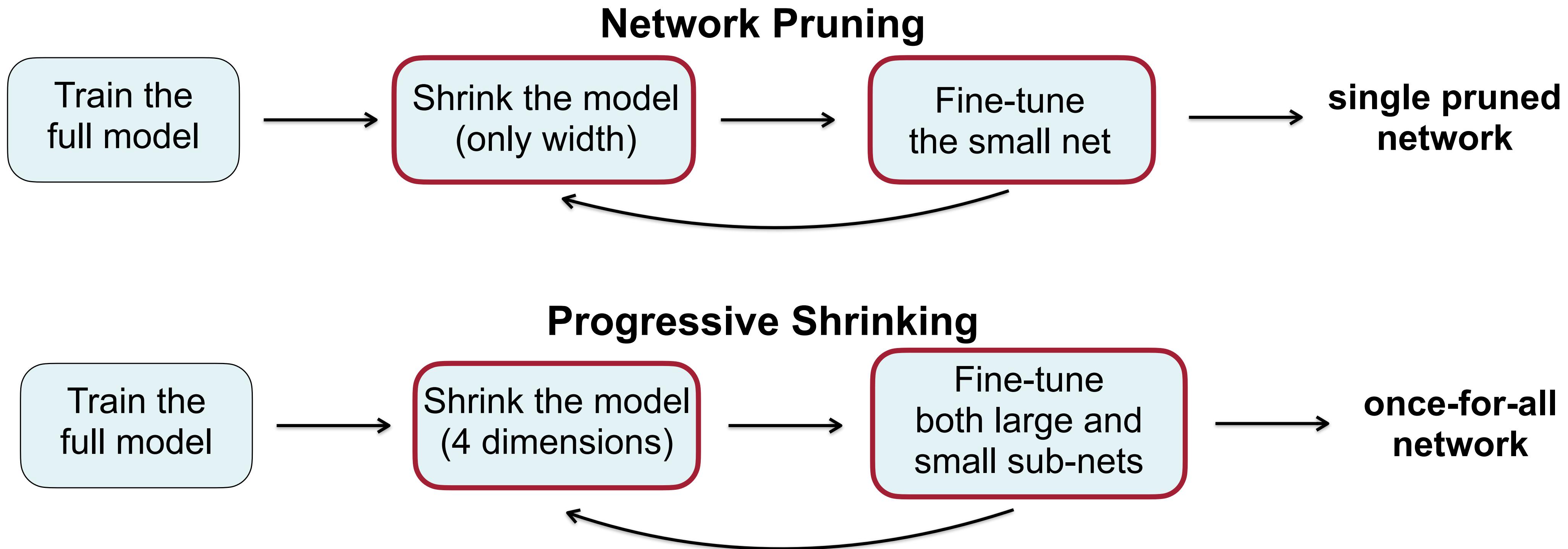
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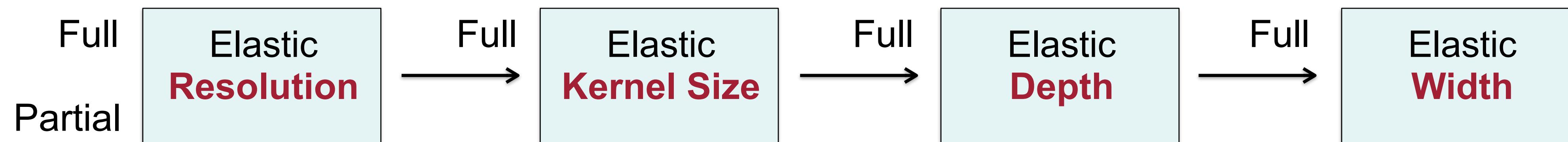
- Small sub-networks are nested in large sub-networks.
- Cast the training process of the once-for-all network as a progressive shrinking and joint fine-tuning process.

Connection to Network Pruning

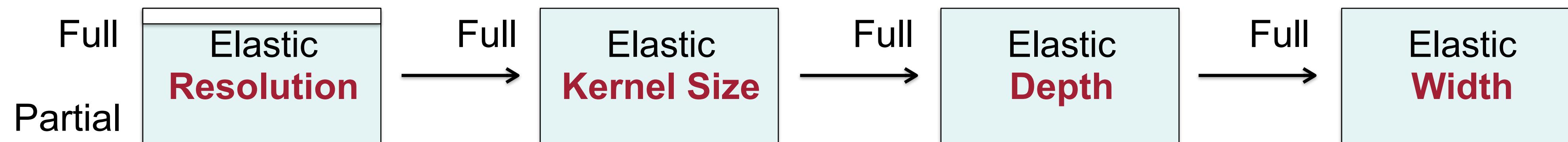


- Progressive shrinking can be viewed as a generalized network pruning with much higher flexibility across 4 dimensions.

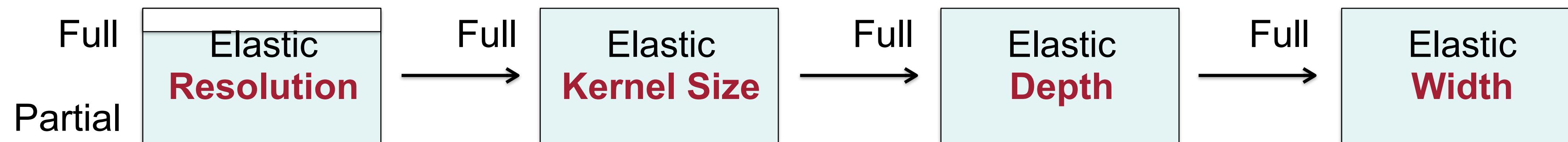
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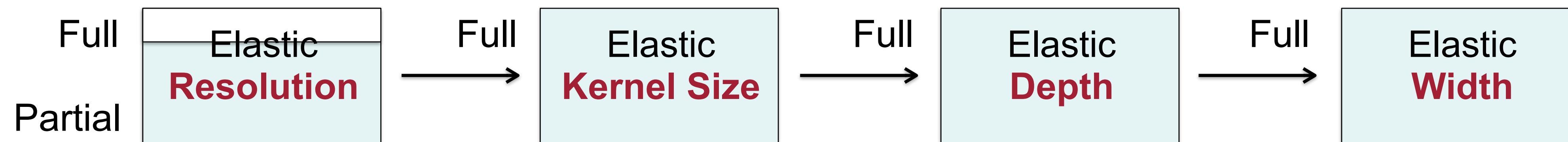
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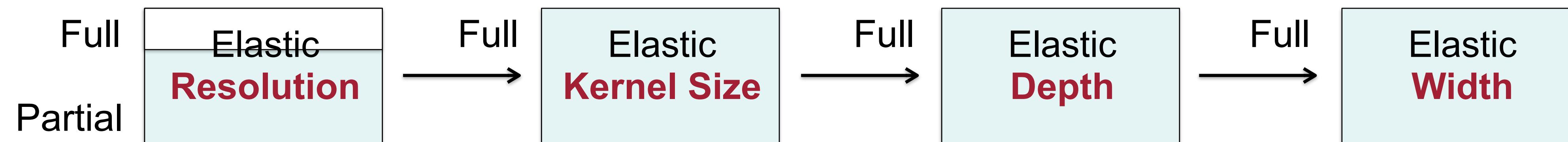
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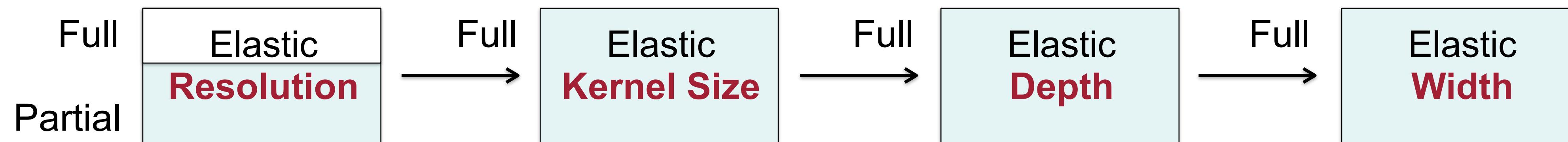
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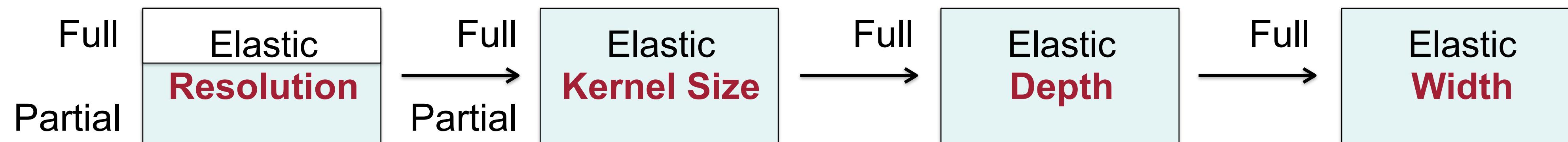
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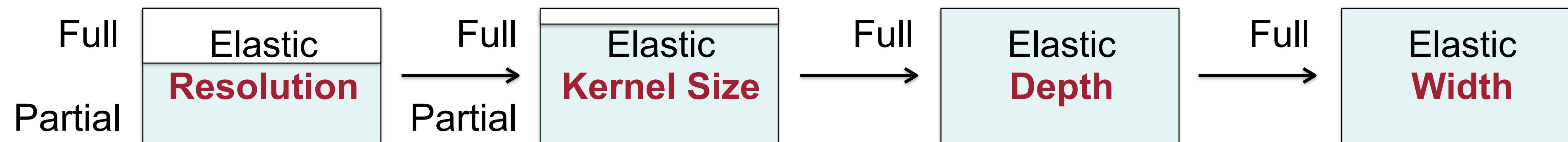
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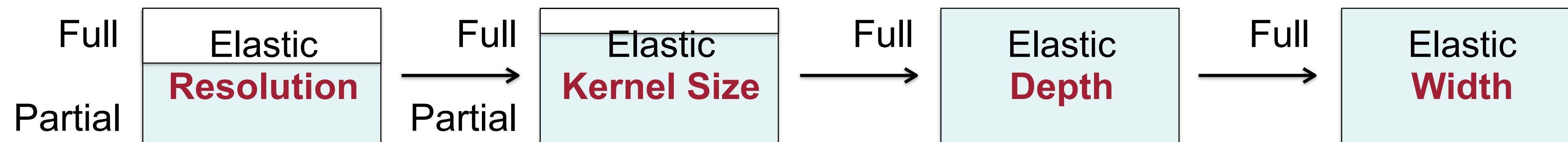
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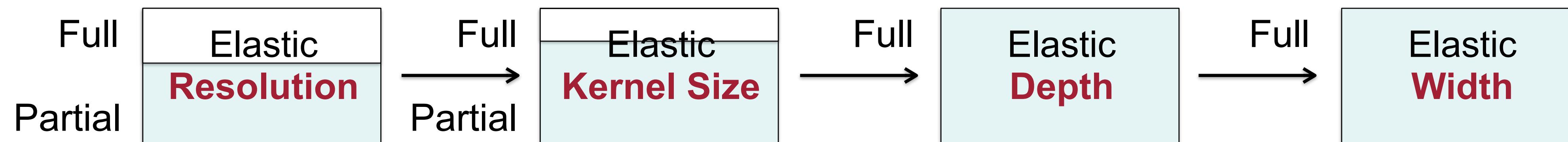
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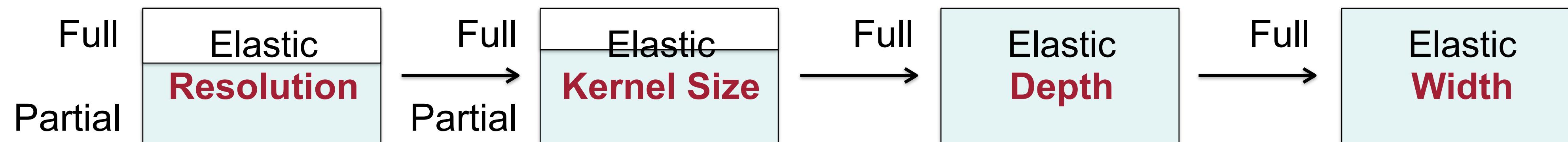
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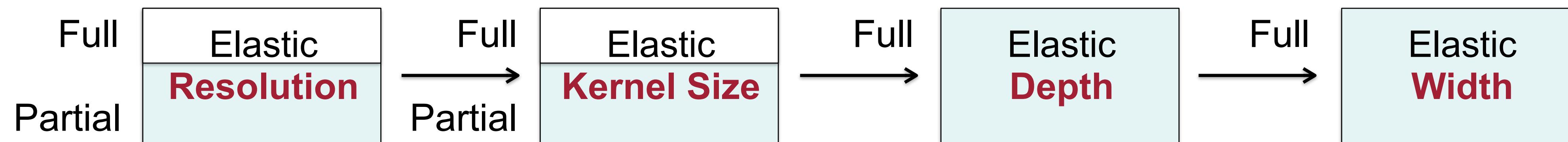
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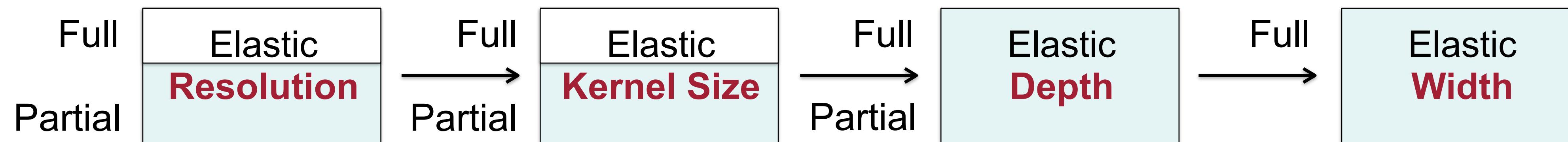
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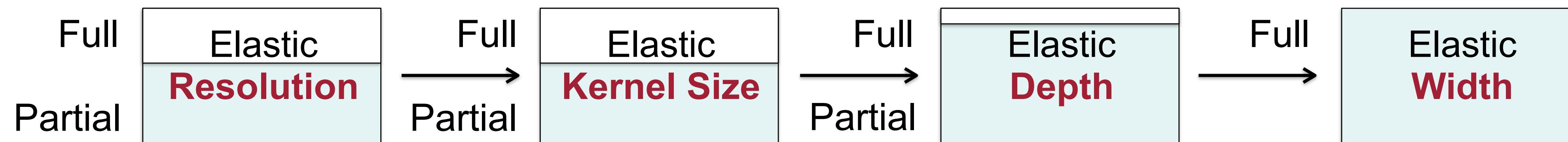
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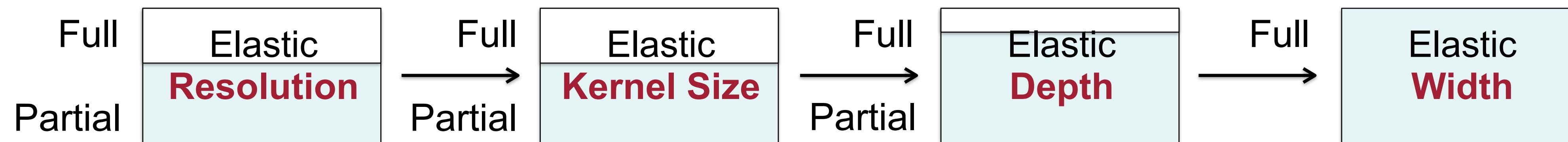
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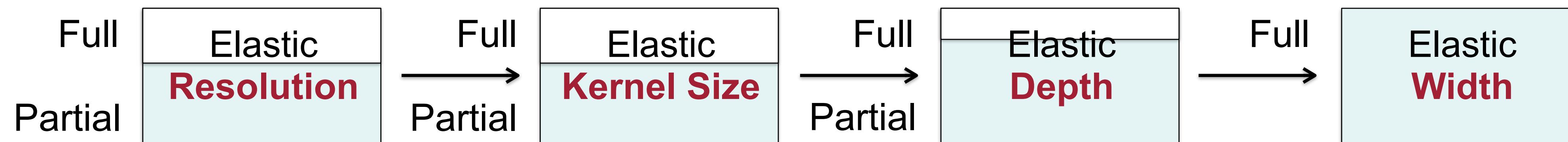
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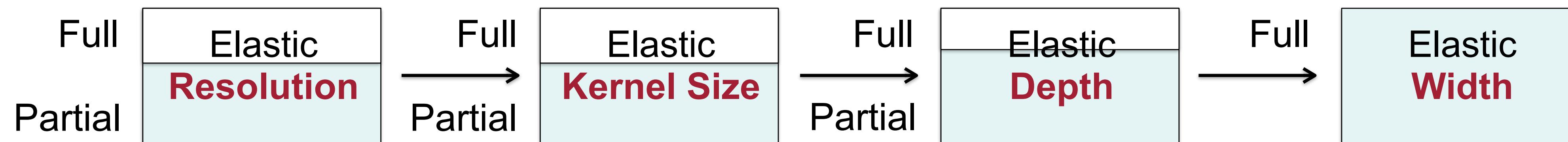
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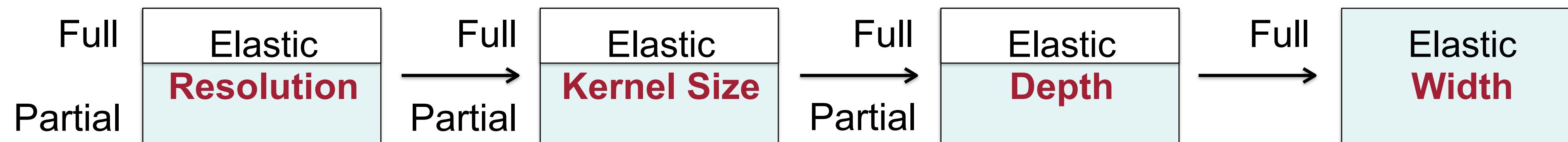
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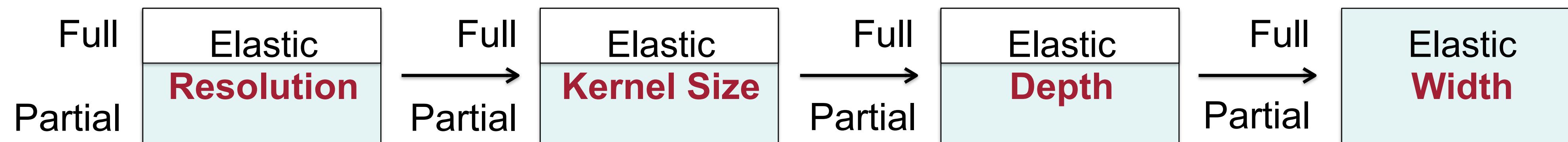
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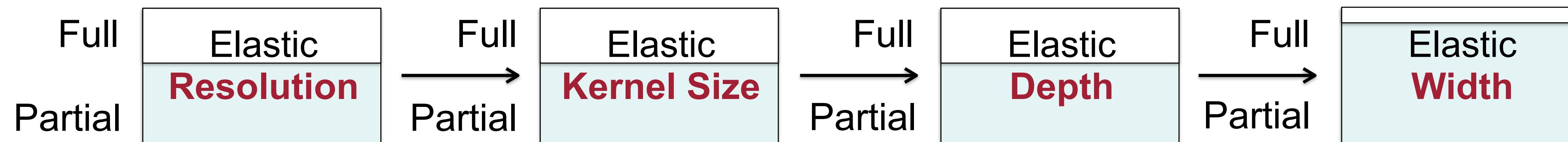
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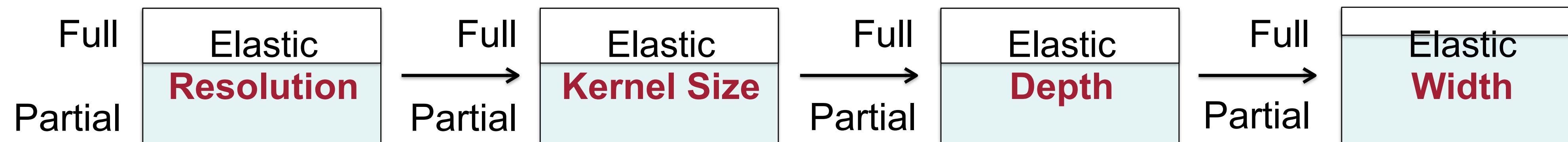
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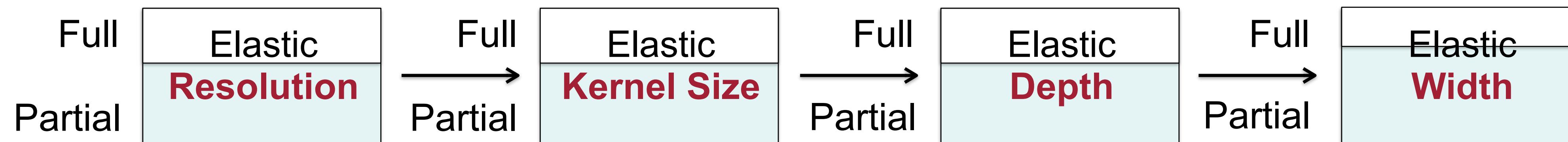
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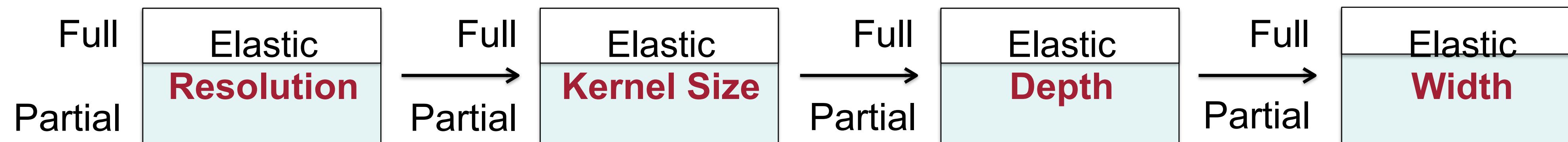
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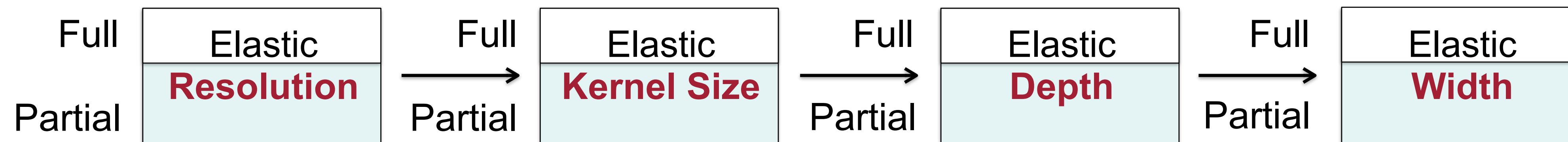
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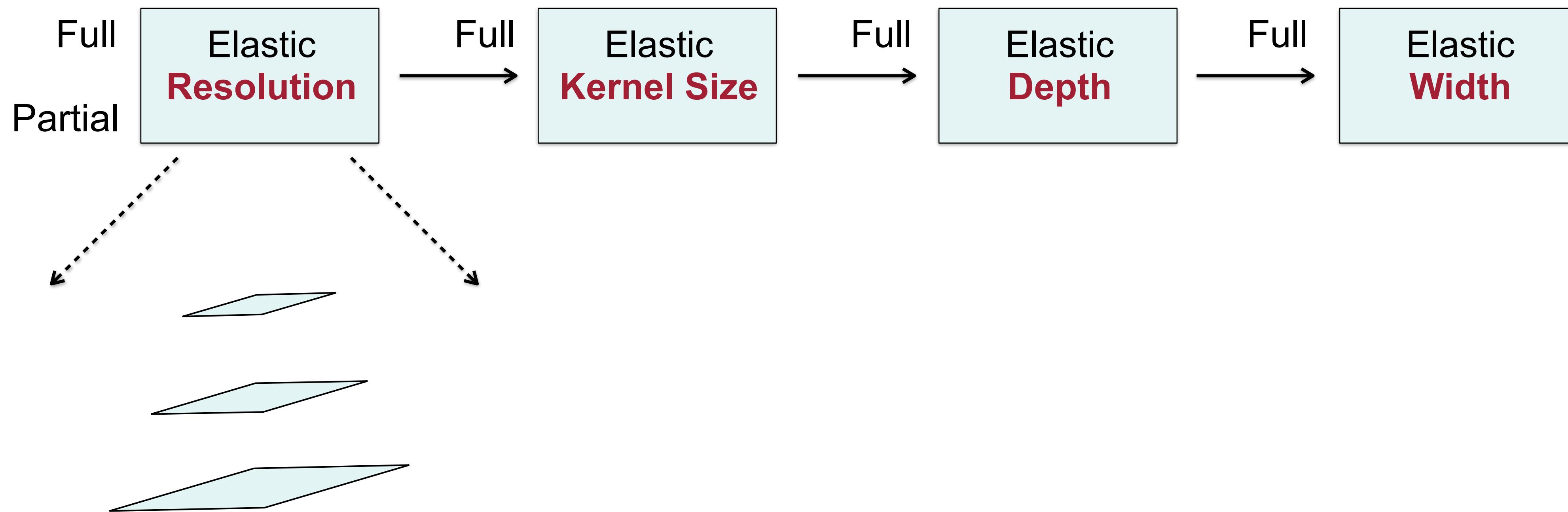
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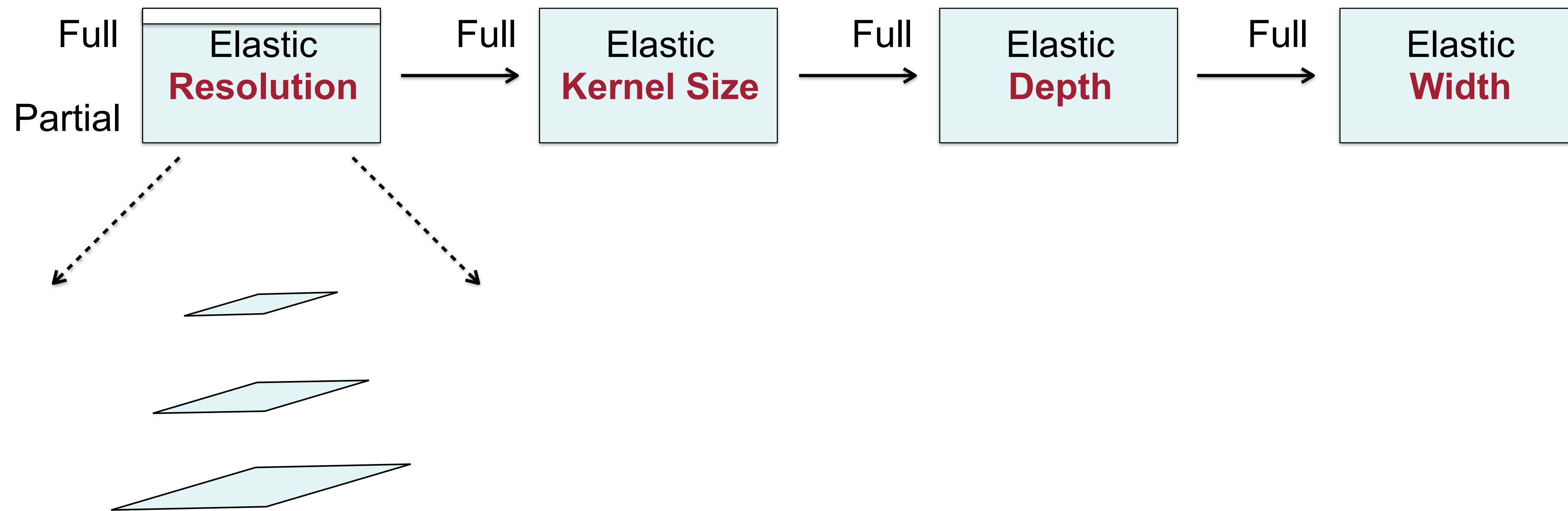


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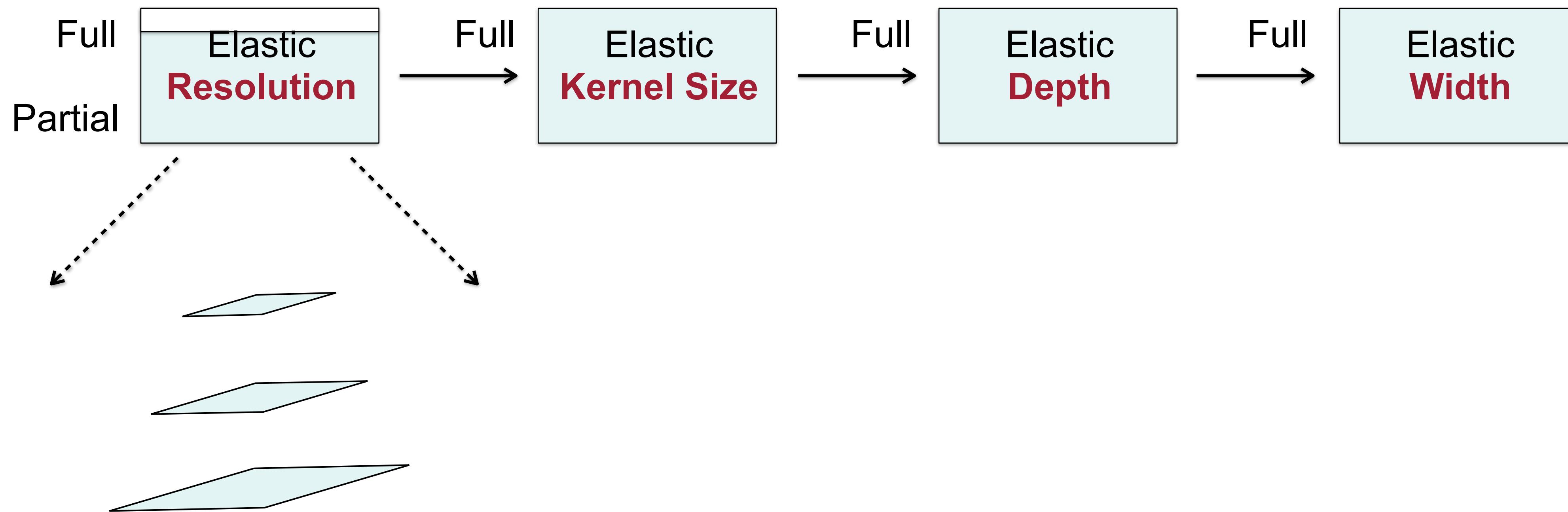
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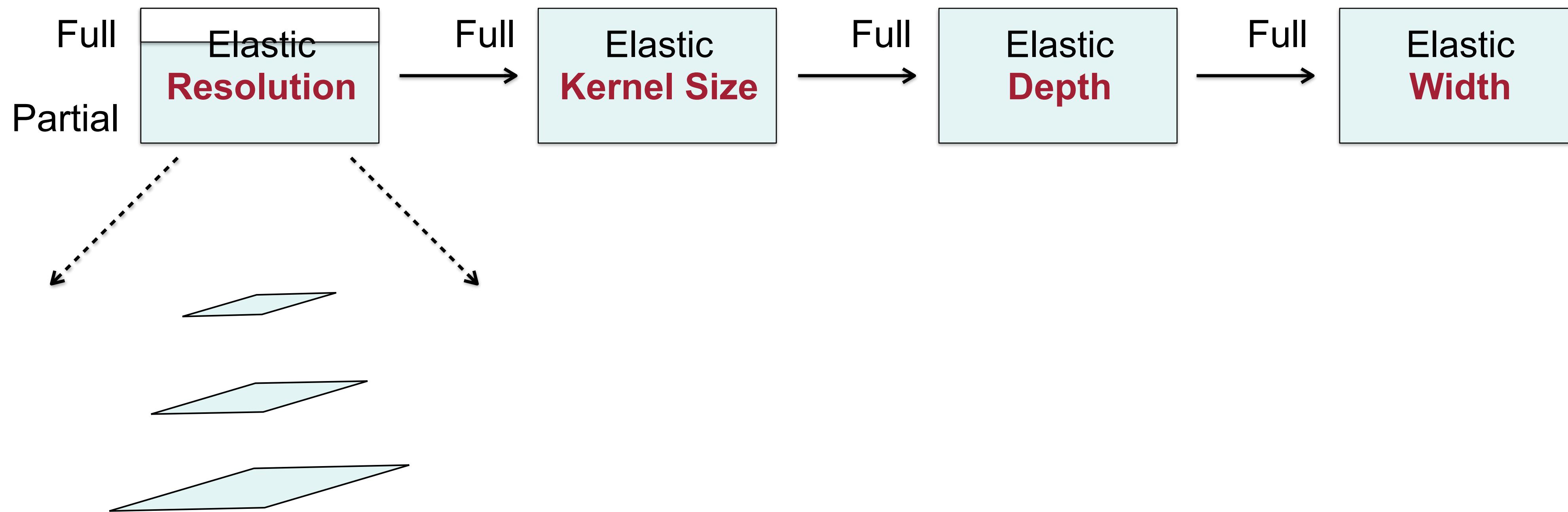
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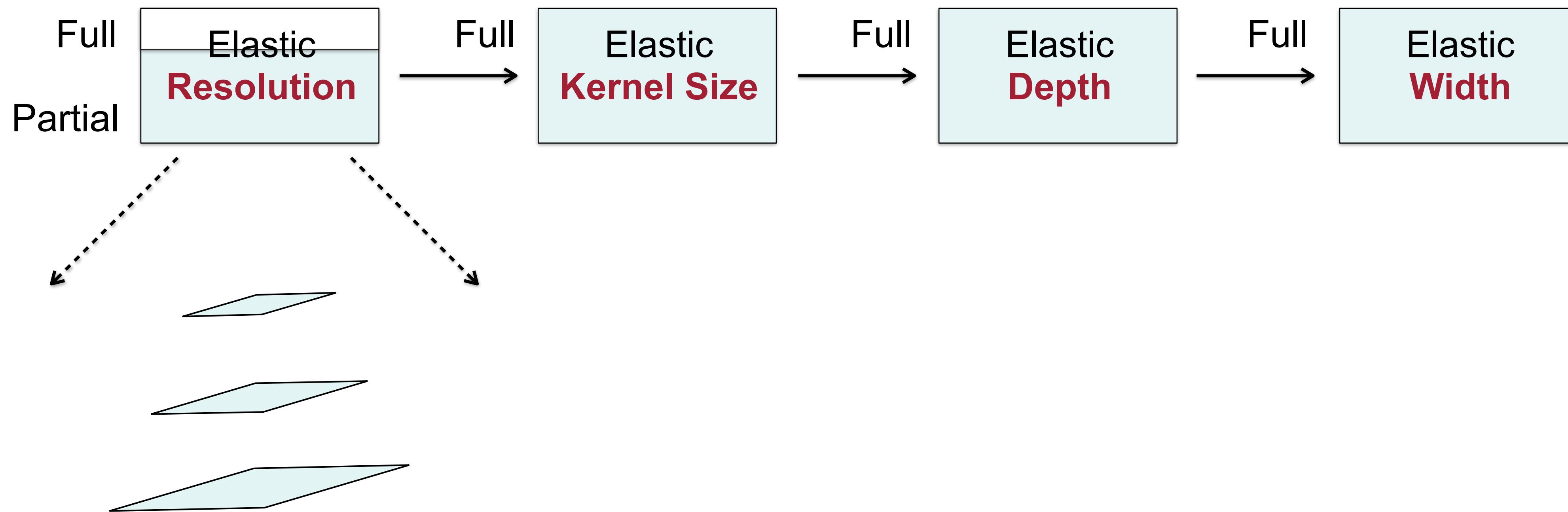
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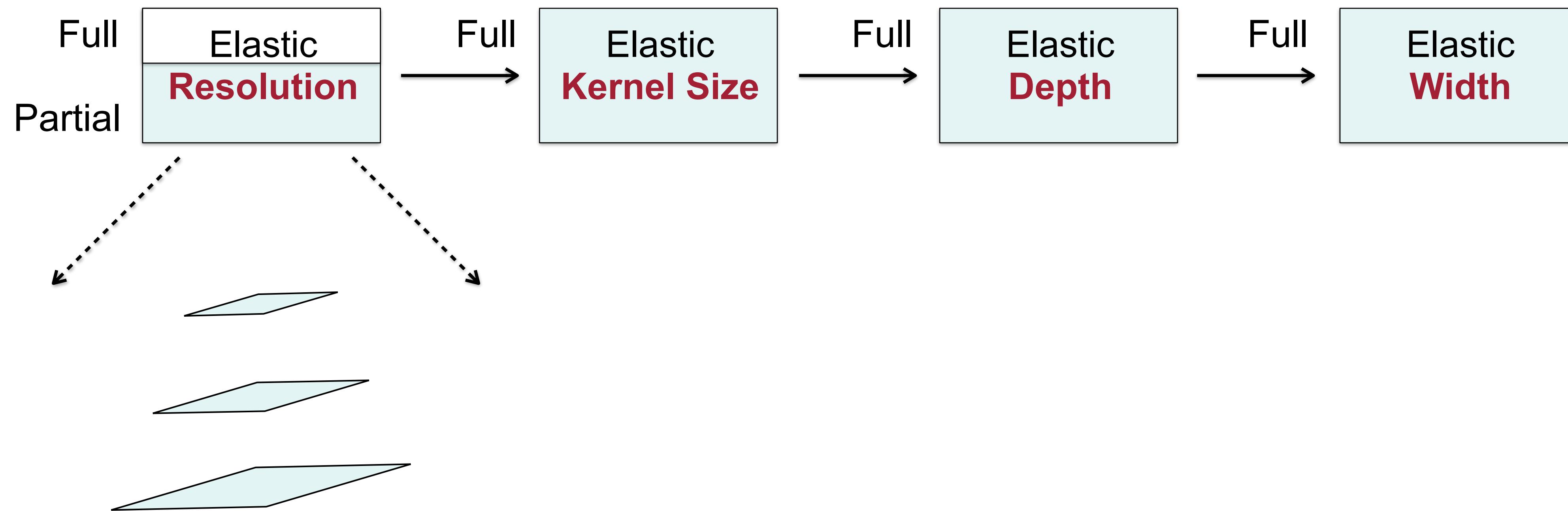
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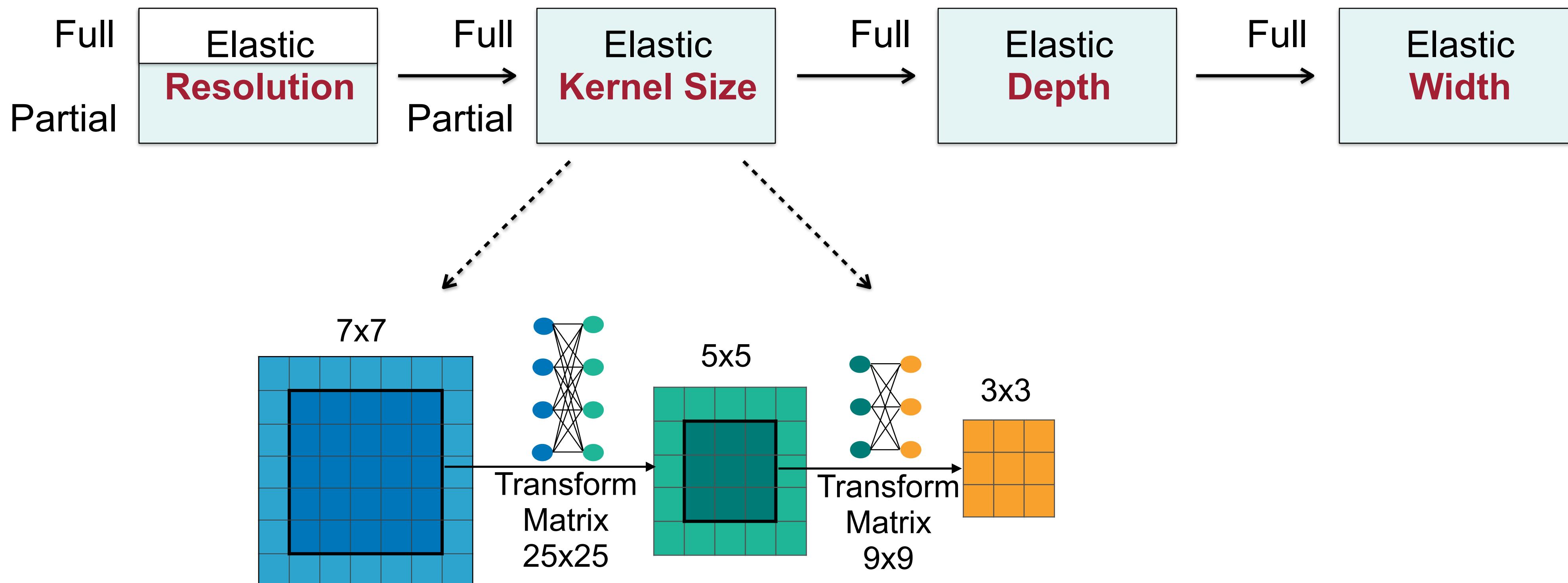
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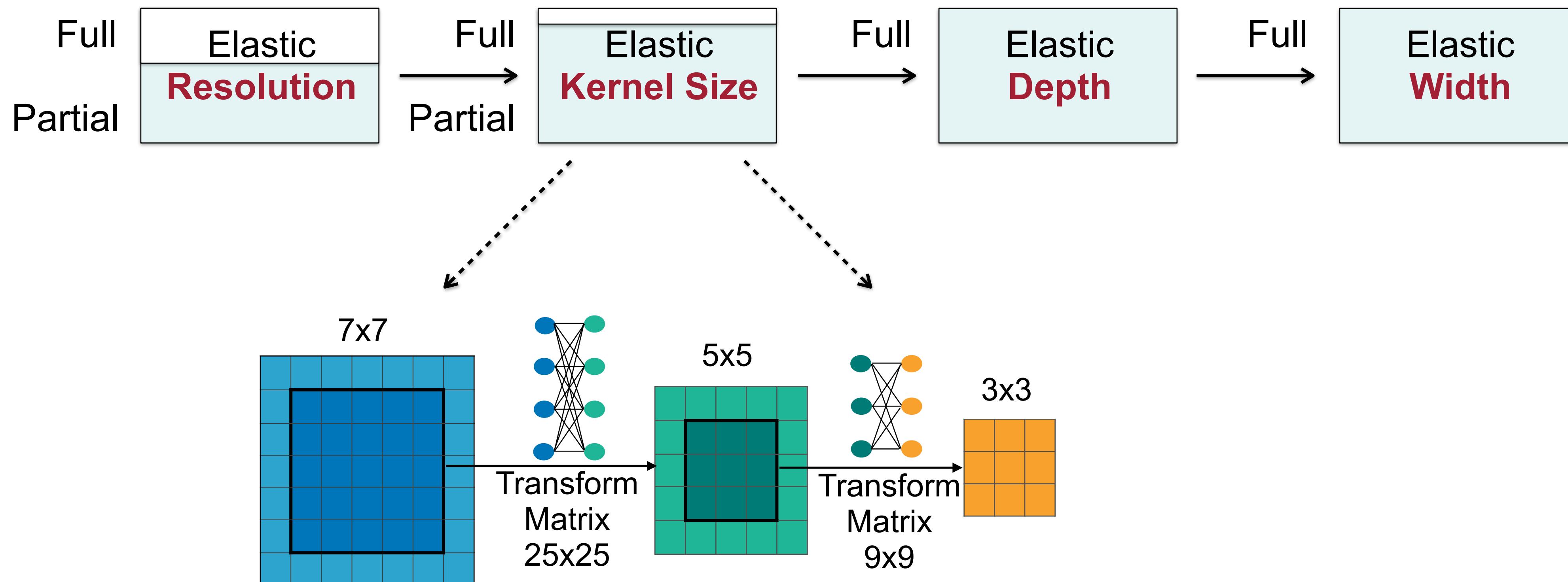
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Smaller kernel takes centered weights via a transformation matrix

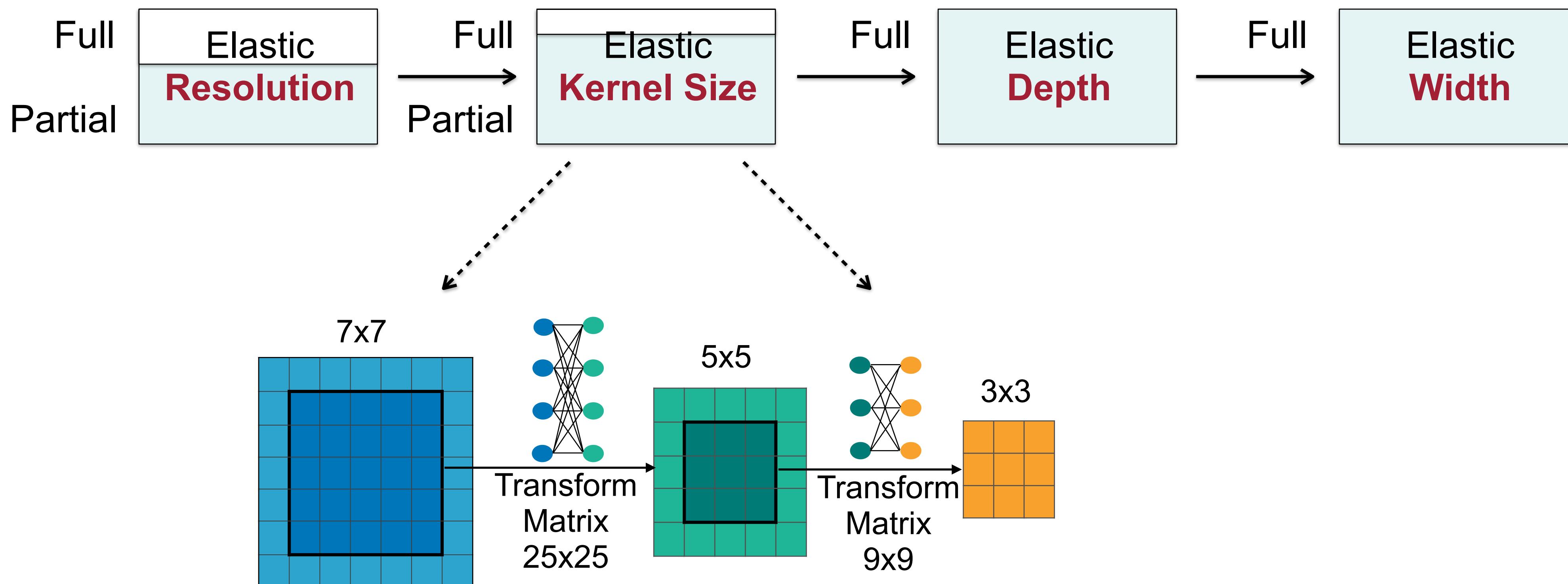
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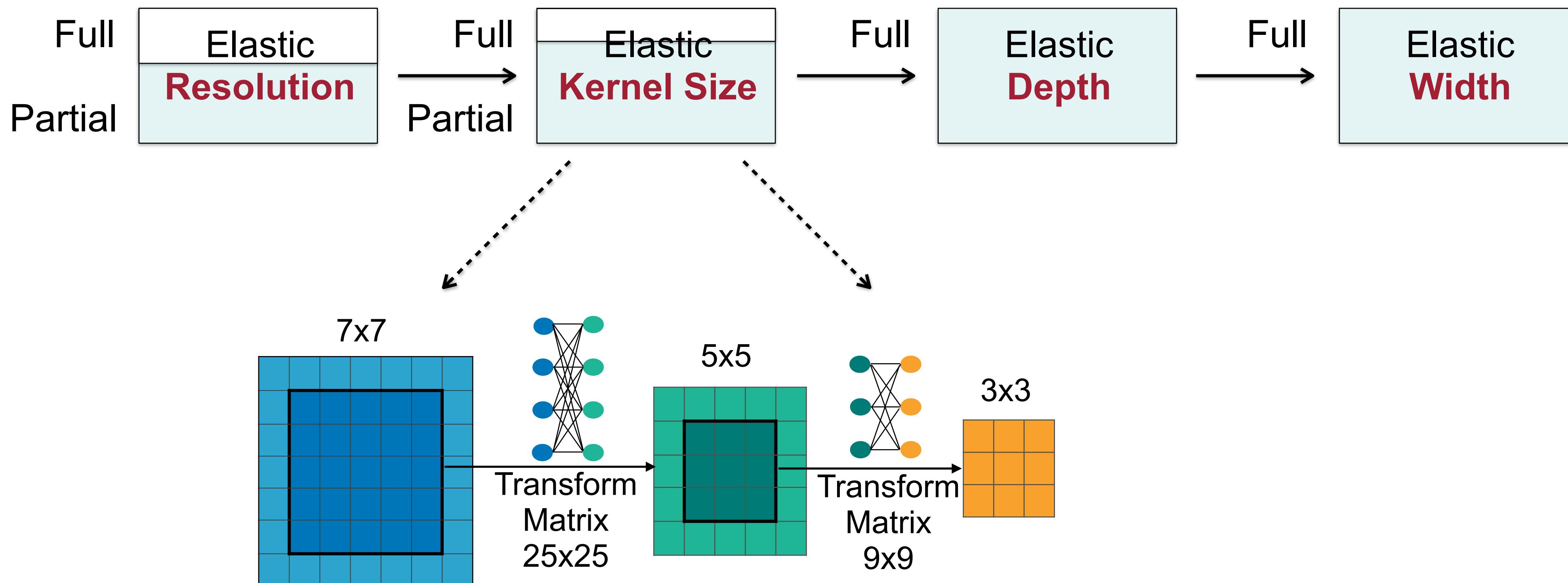
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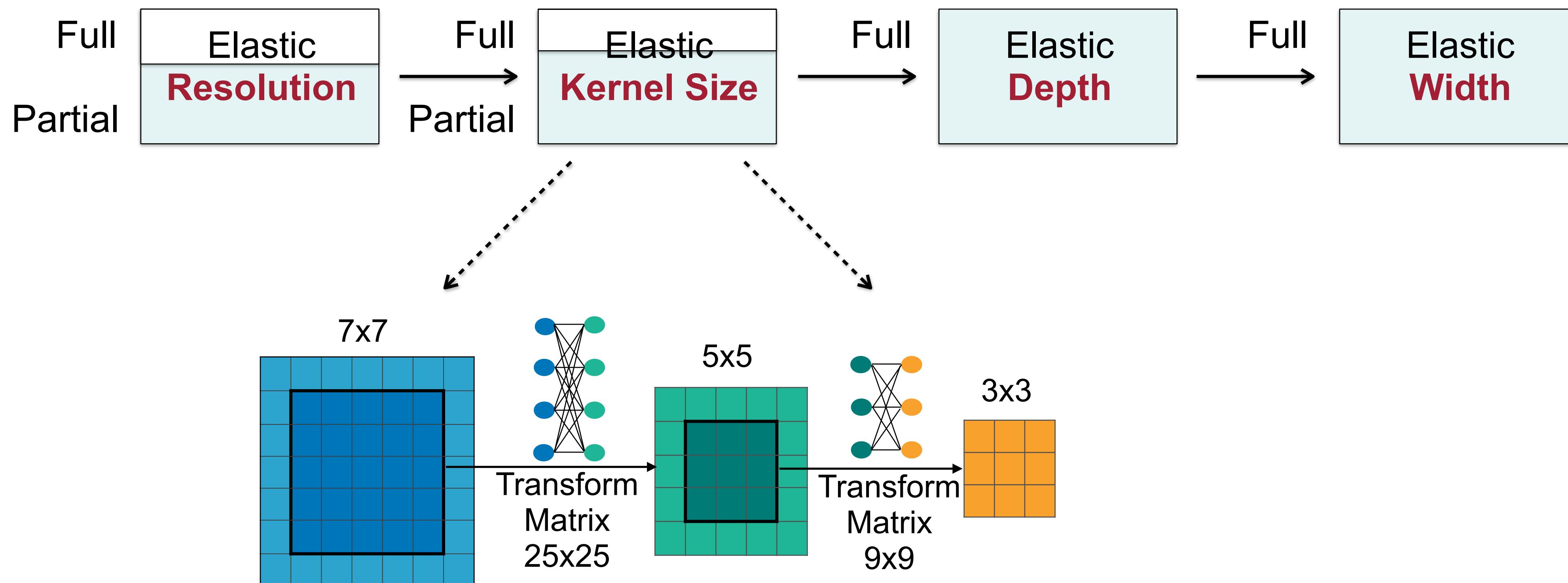
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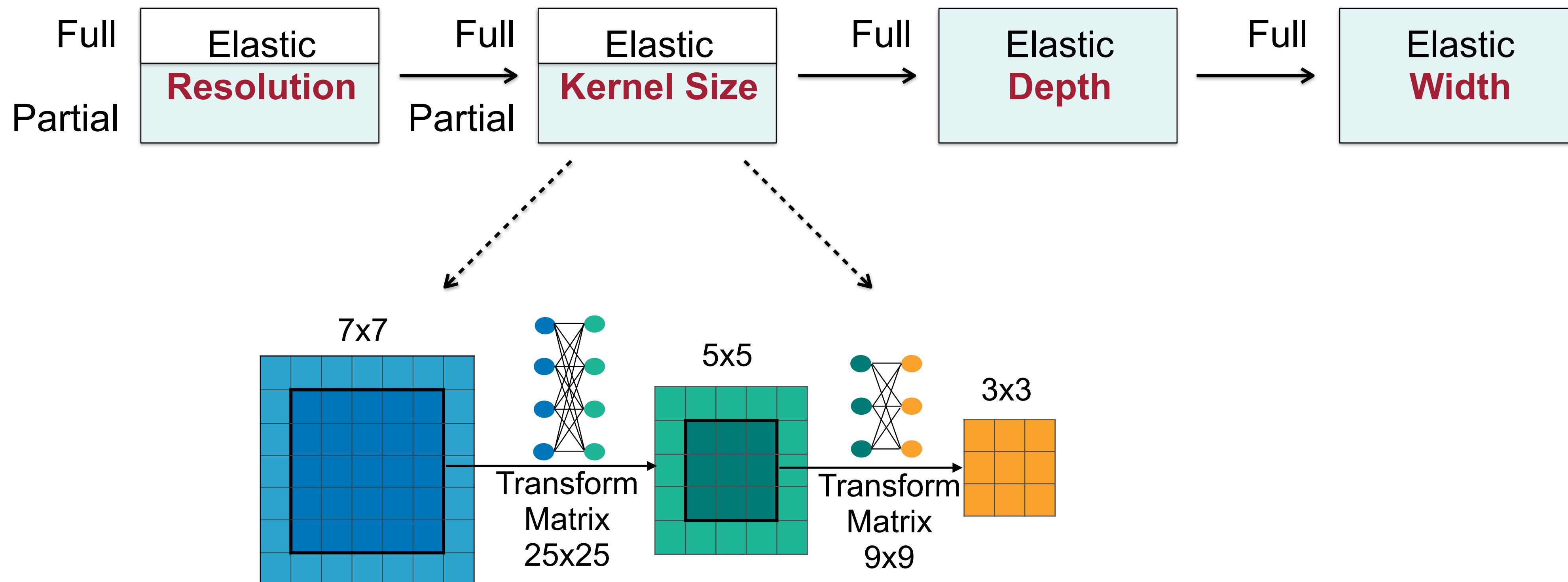
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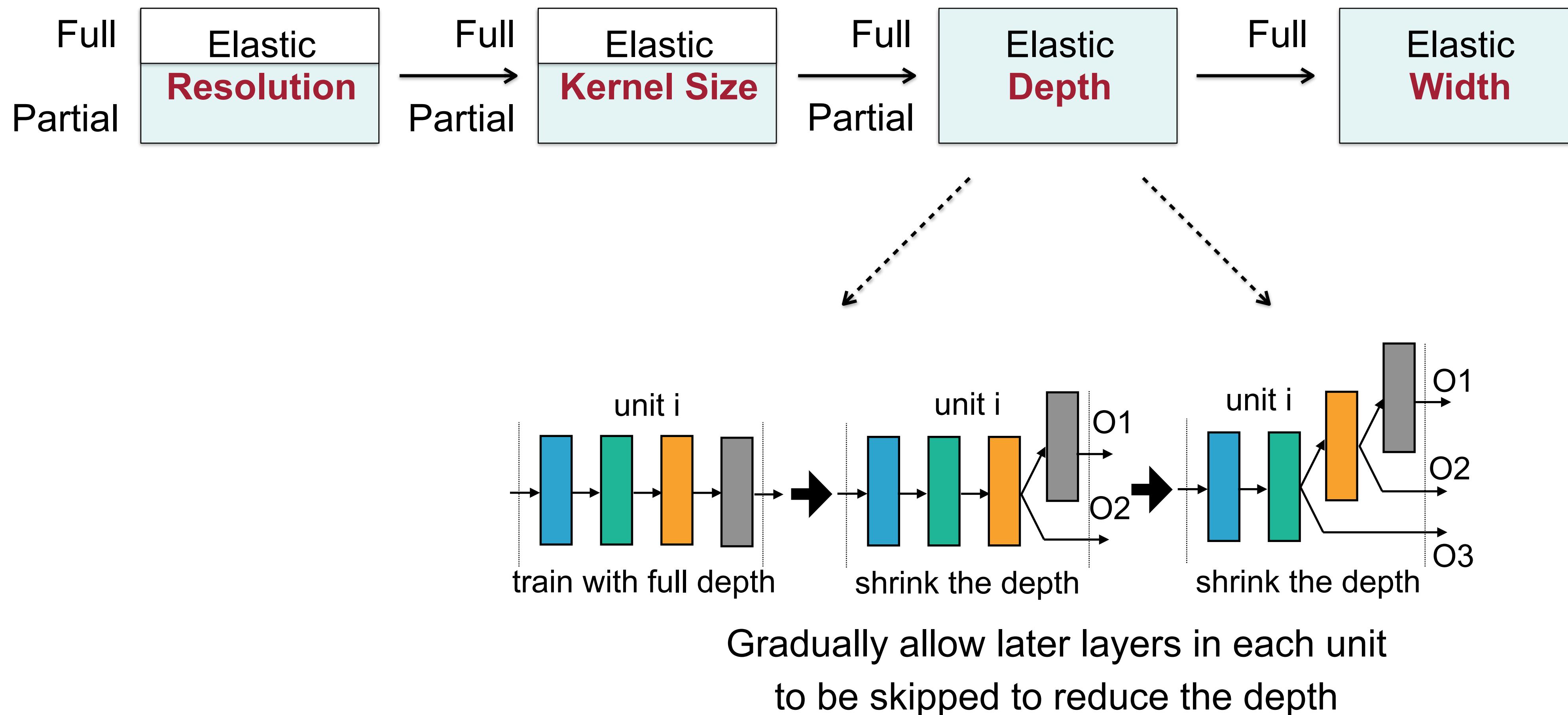
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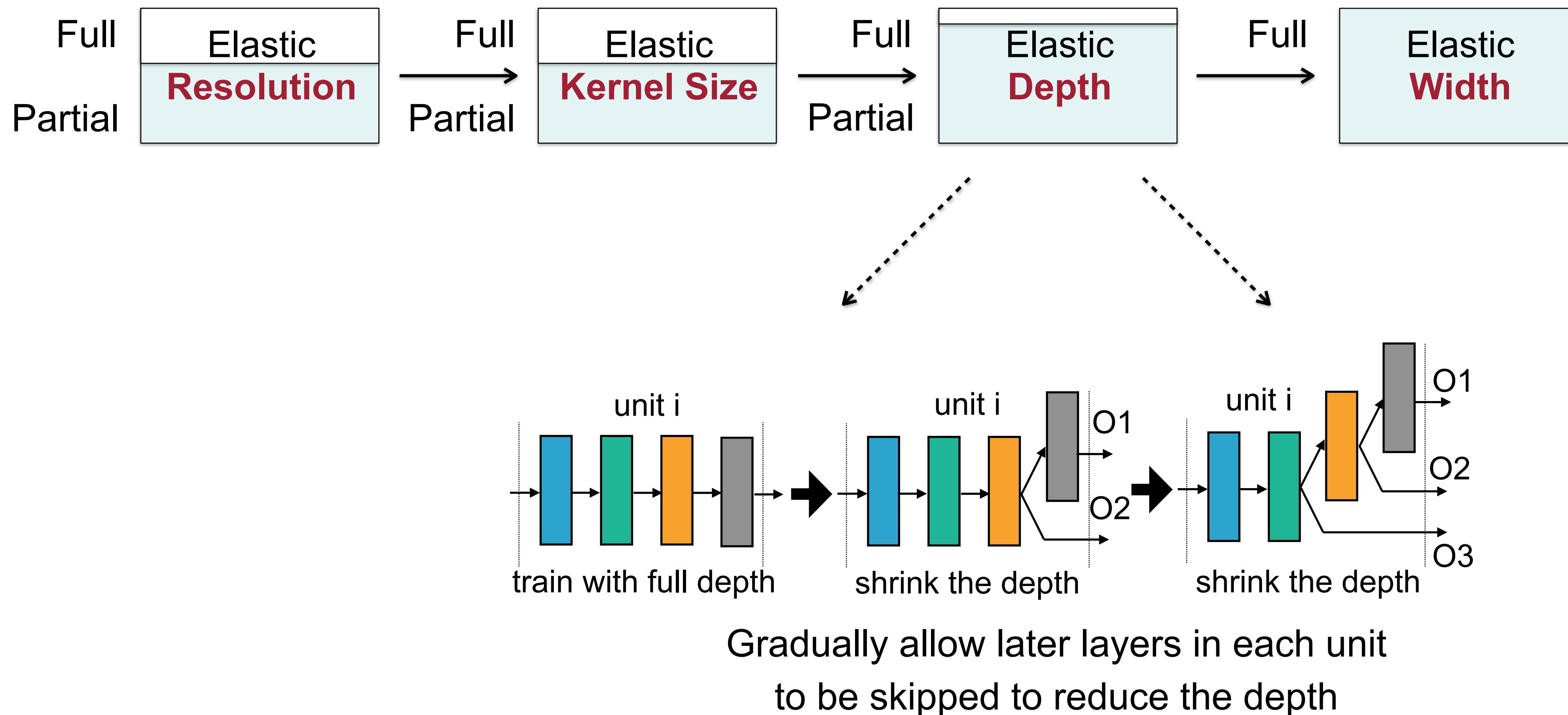
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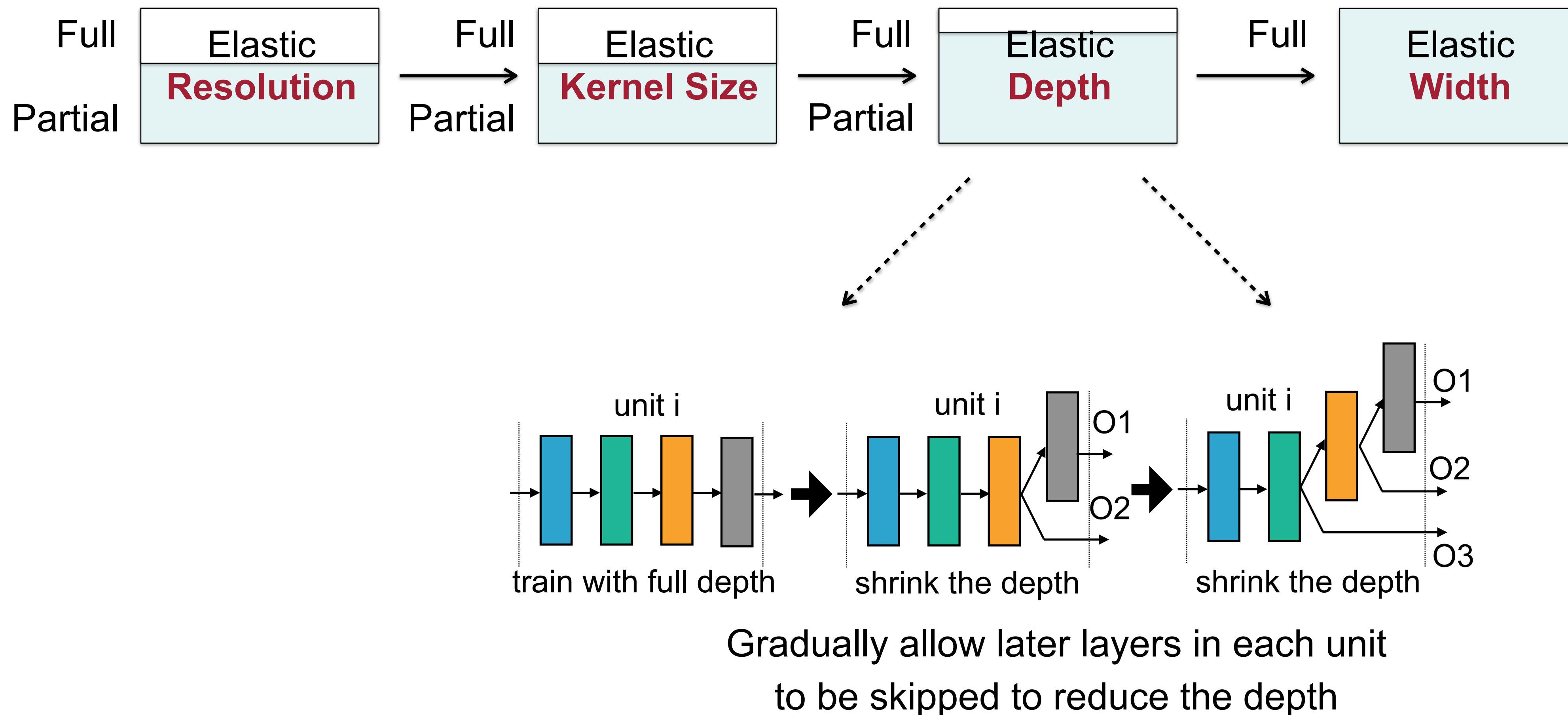
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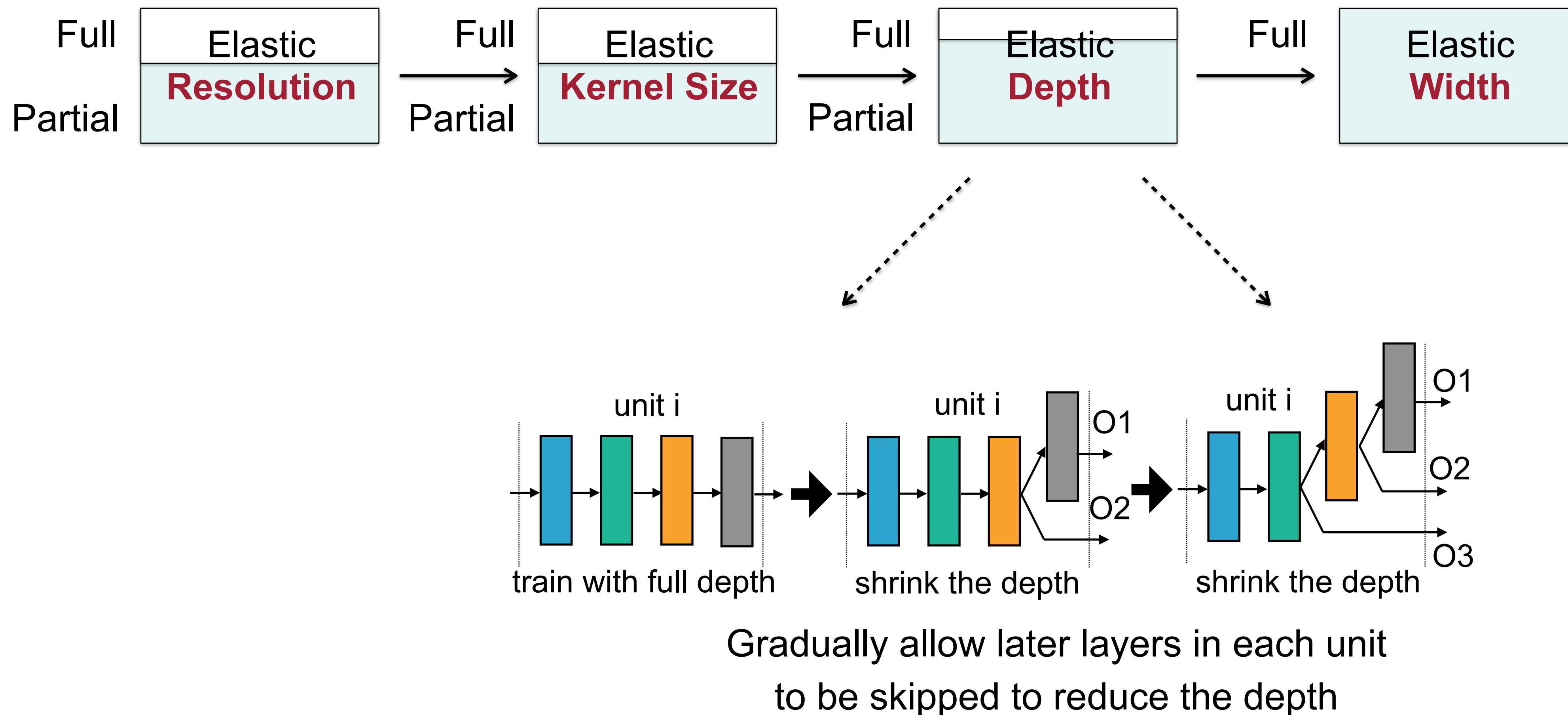
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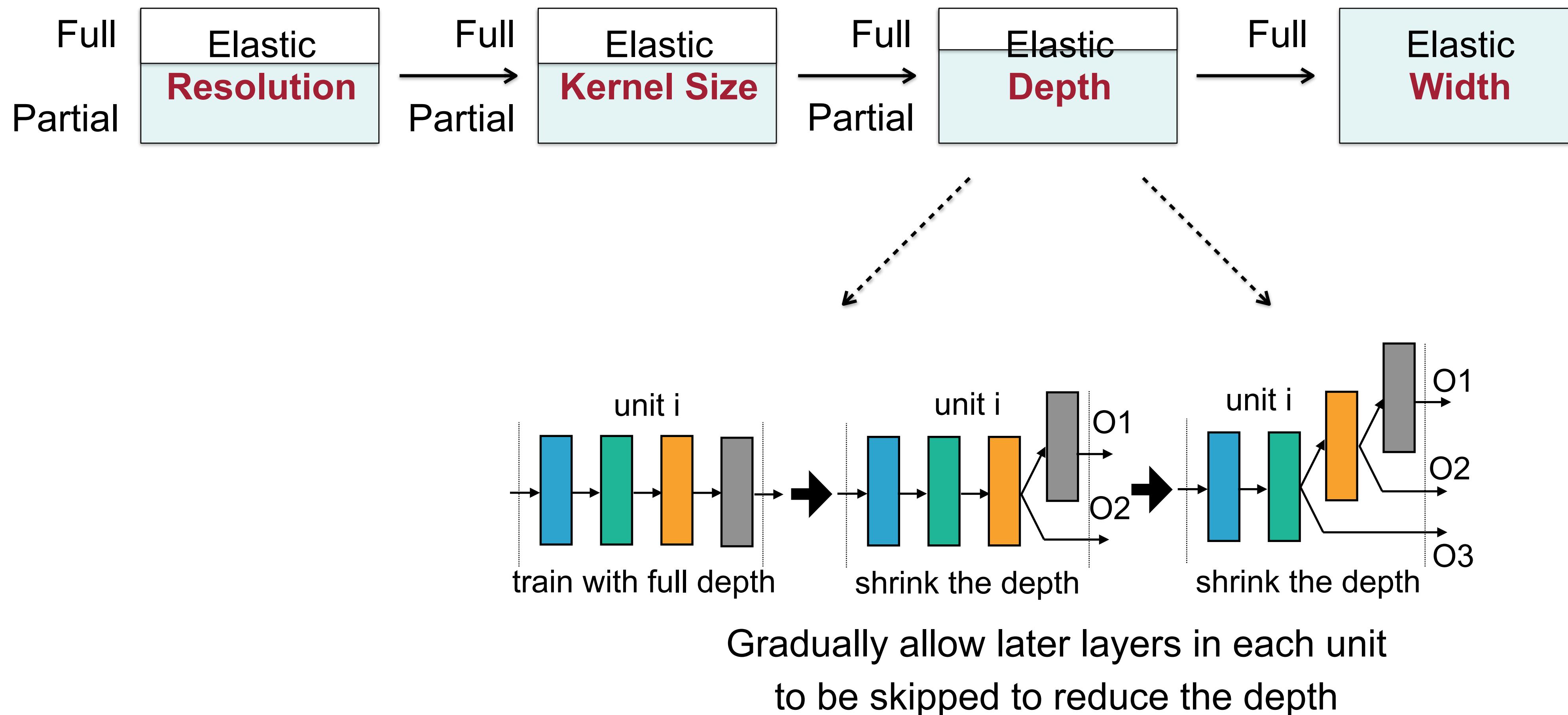
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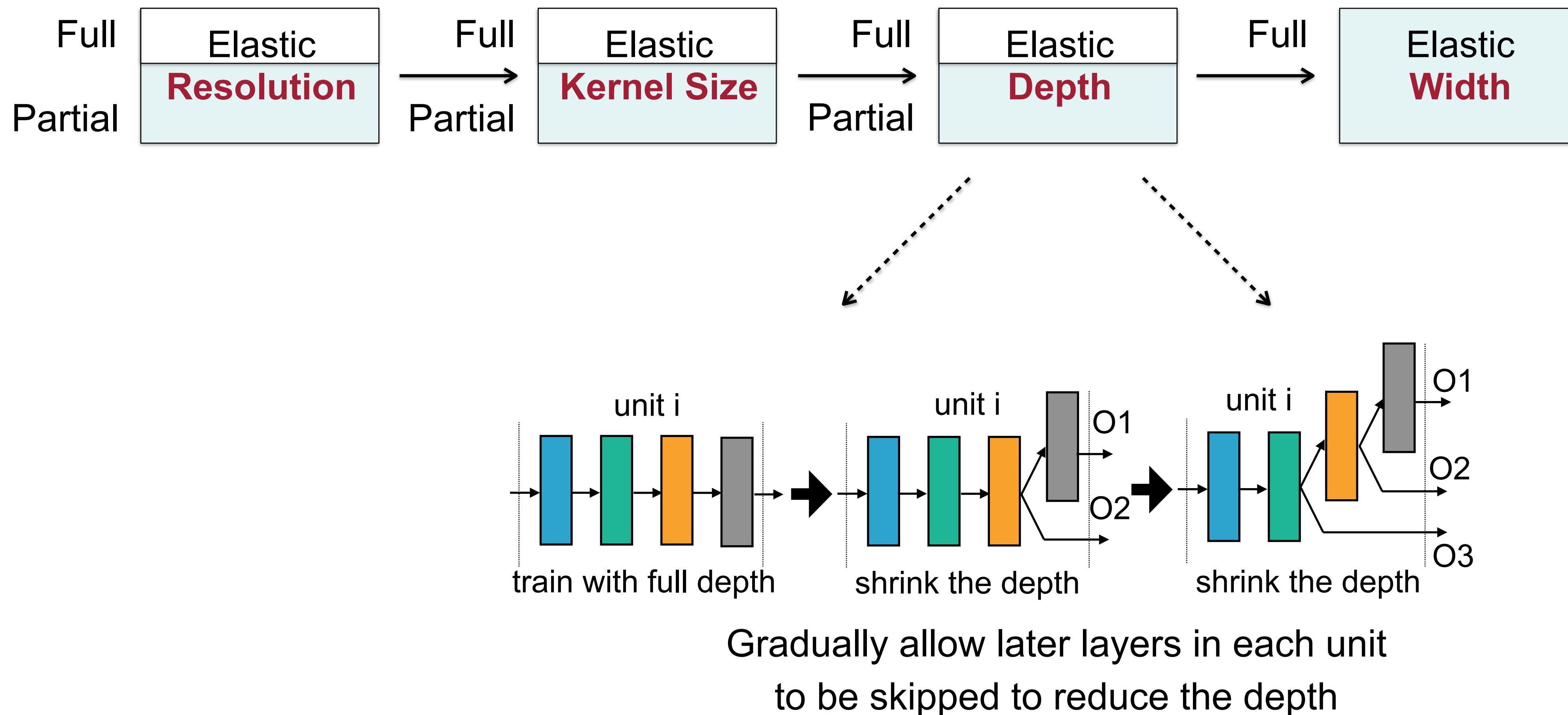
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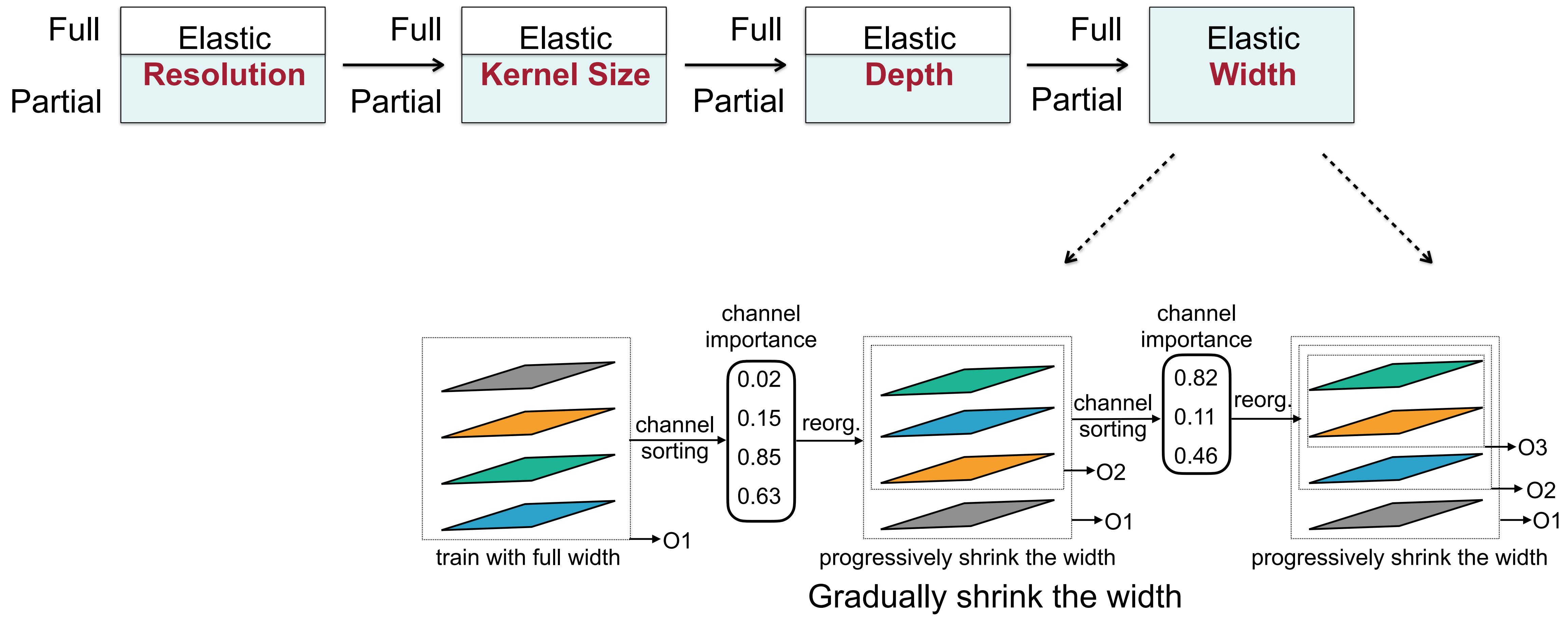
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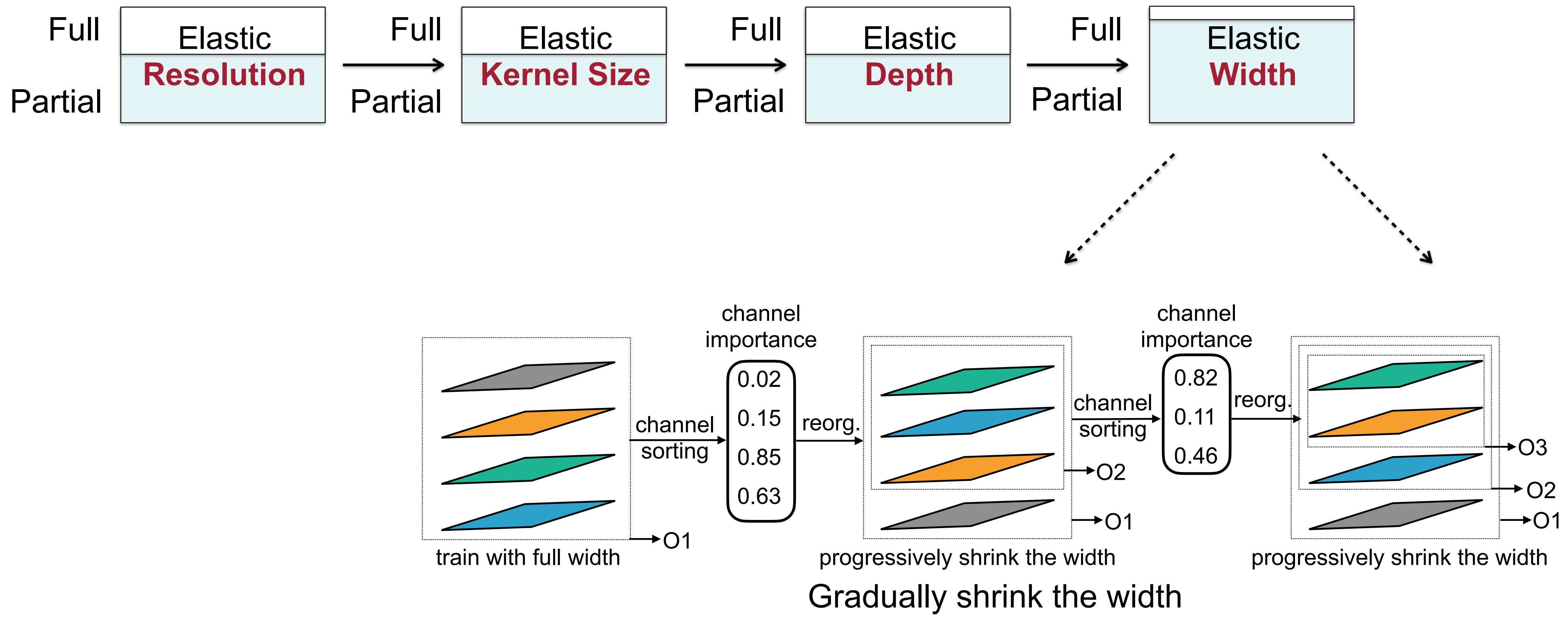
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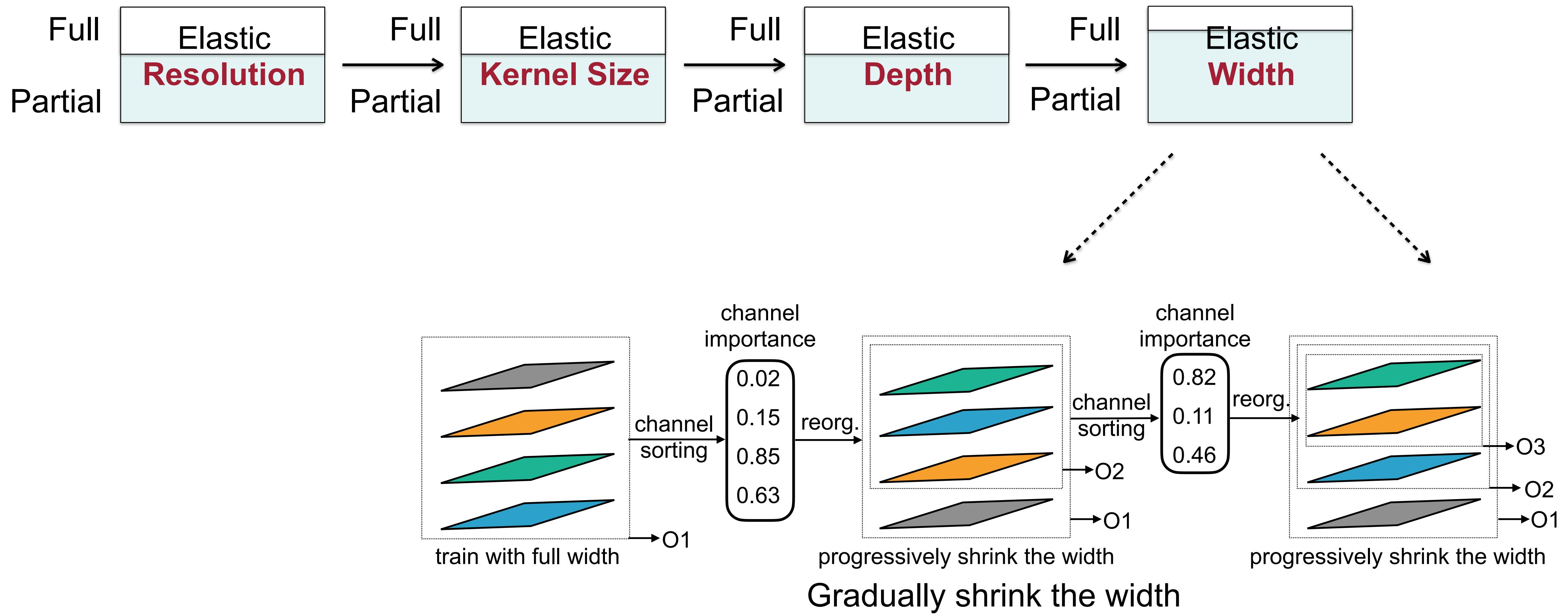
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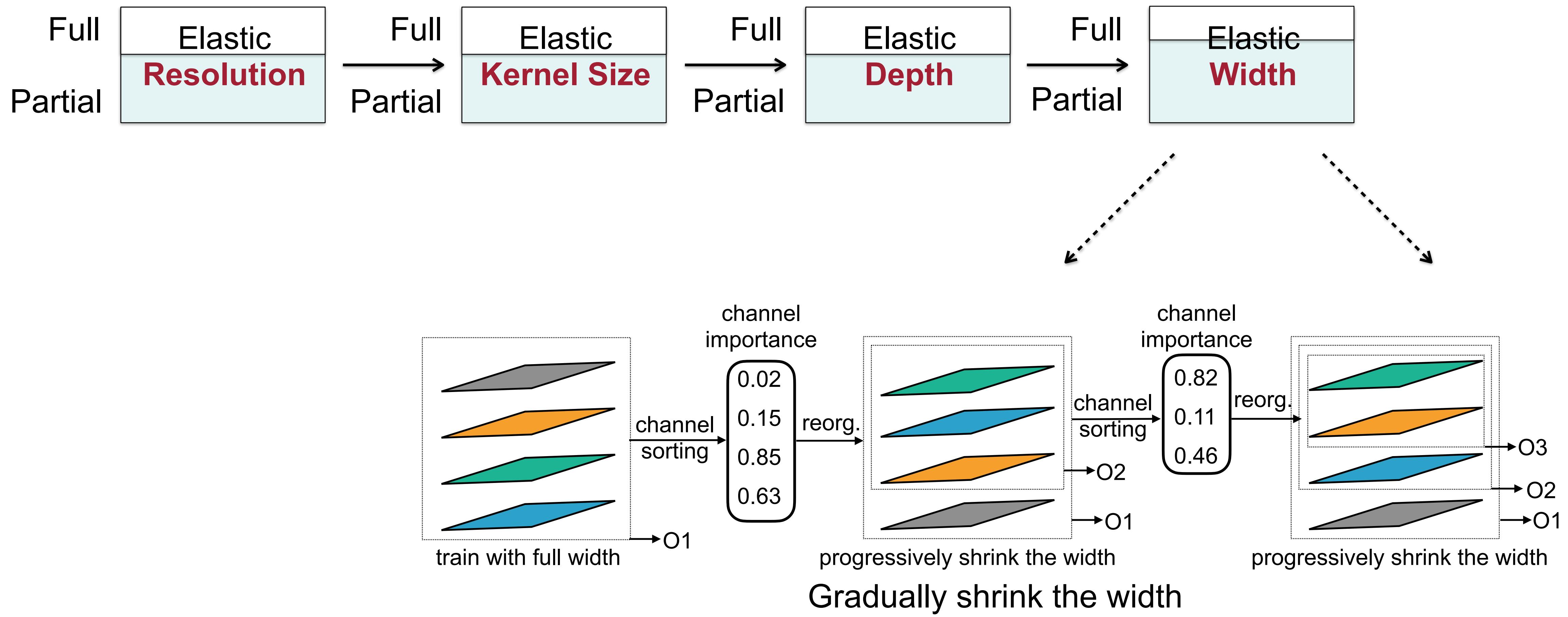
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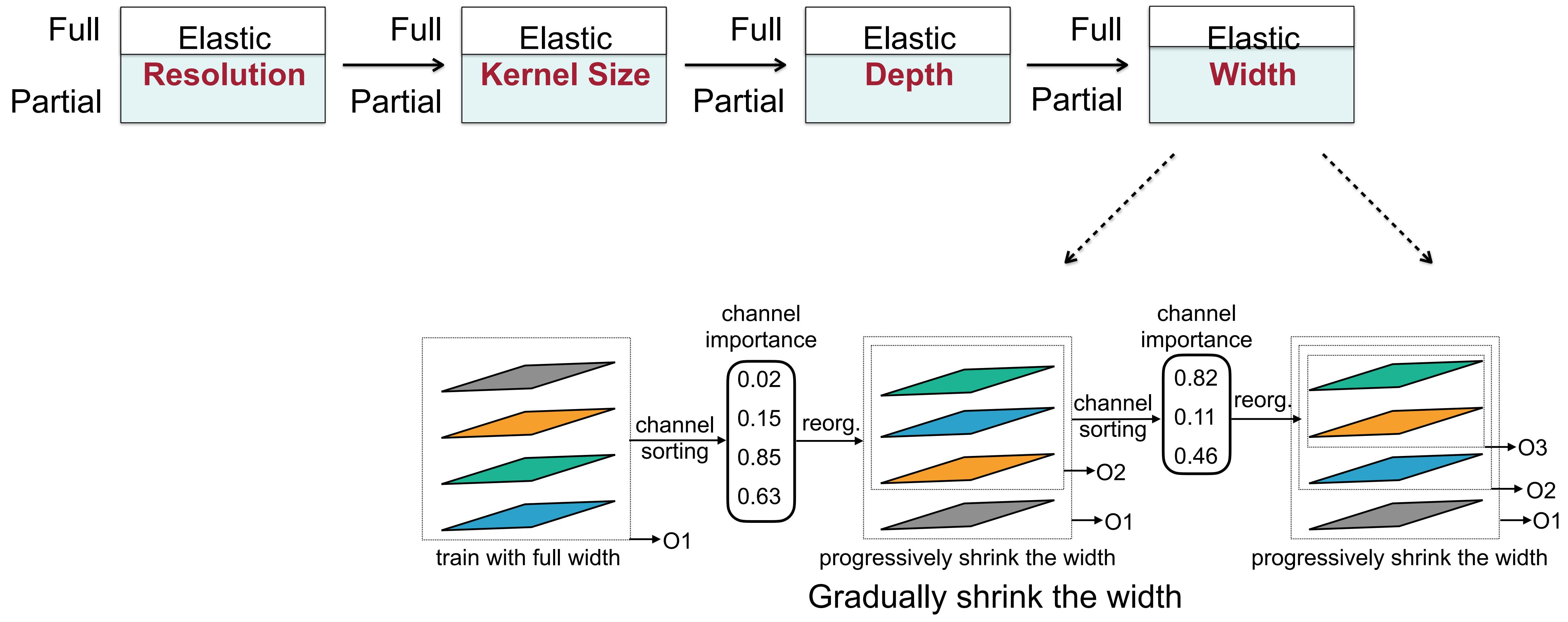
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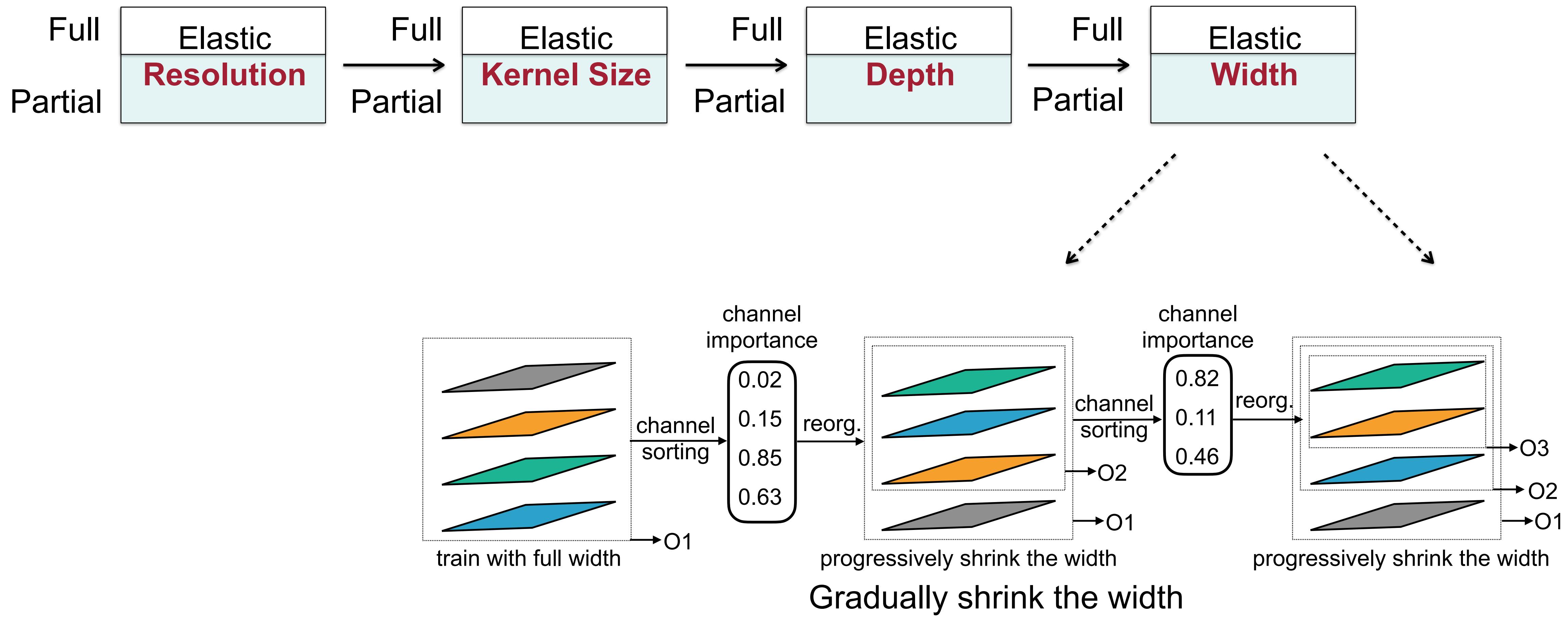
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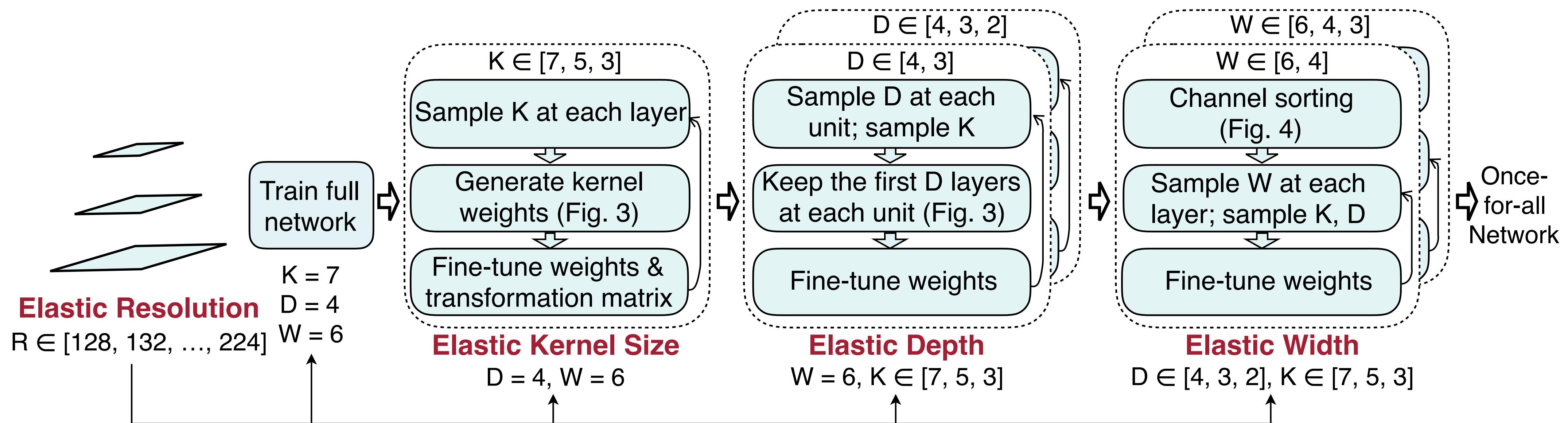


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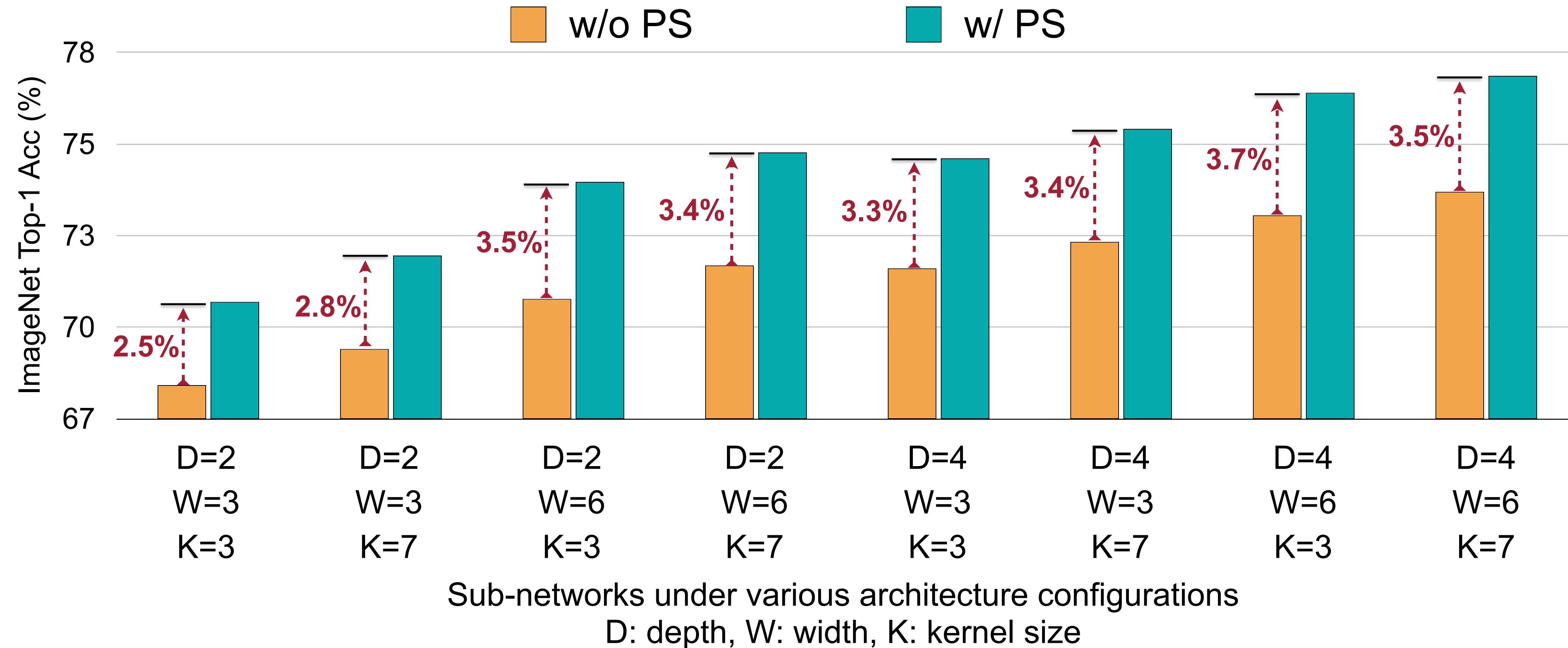


Progressive Shrinking

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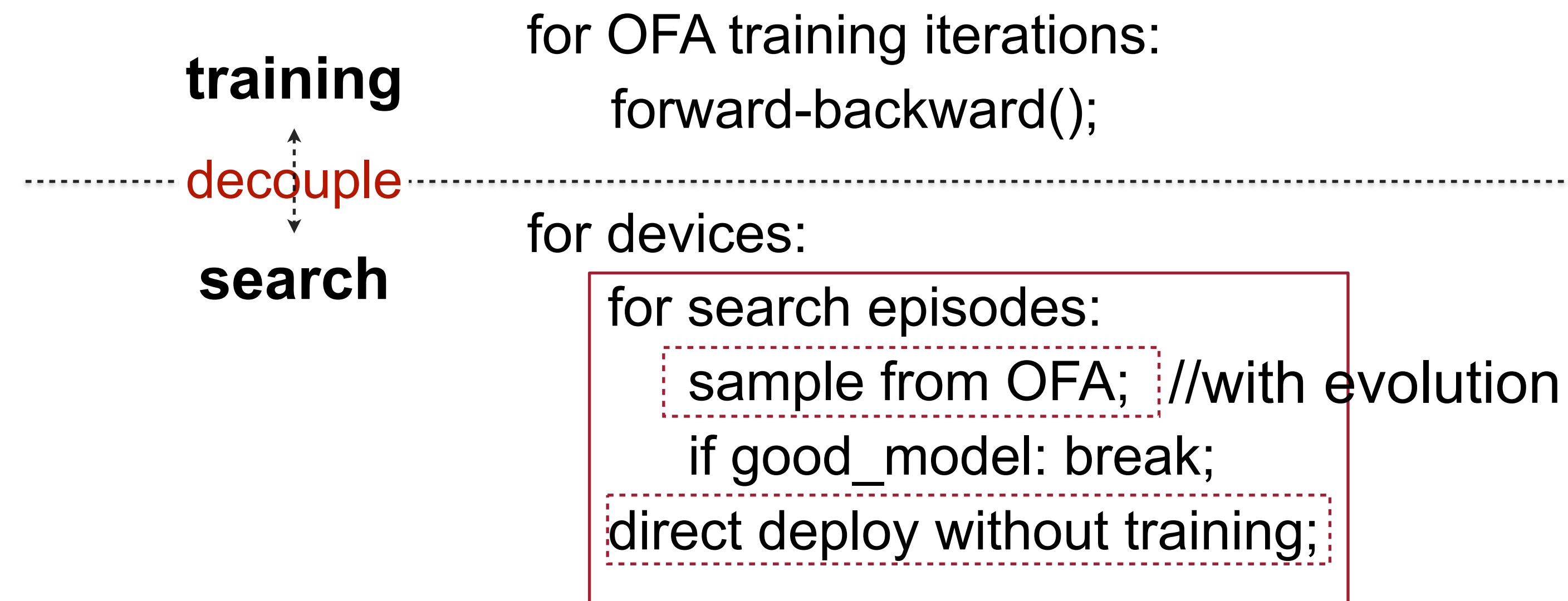


Performances of Sub-networks on ImageNet

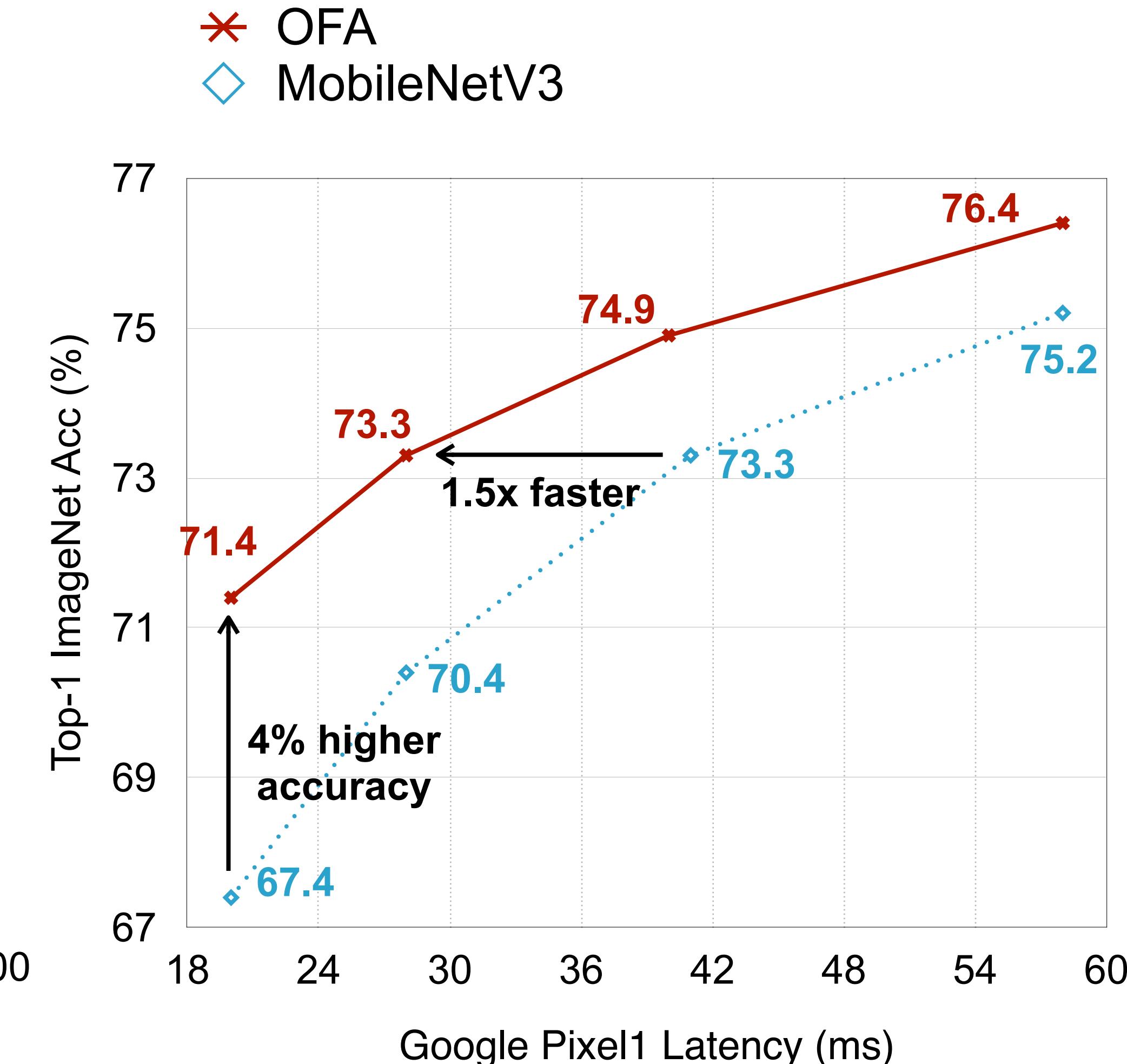
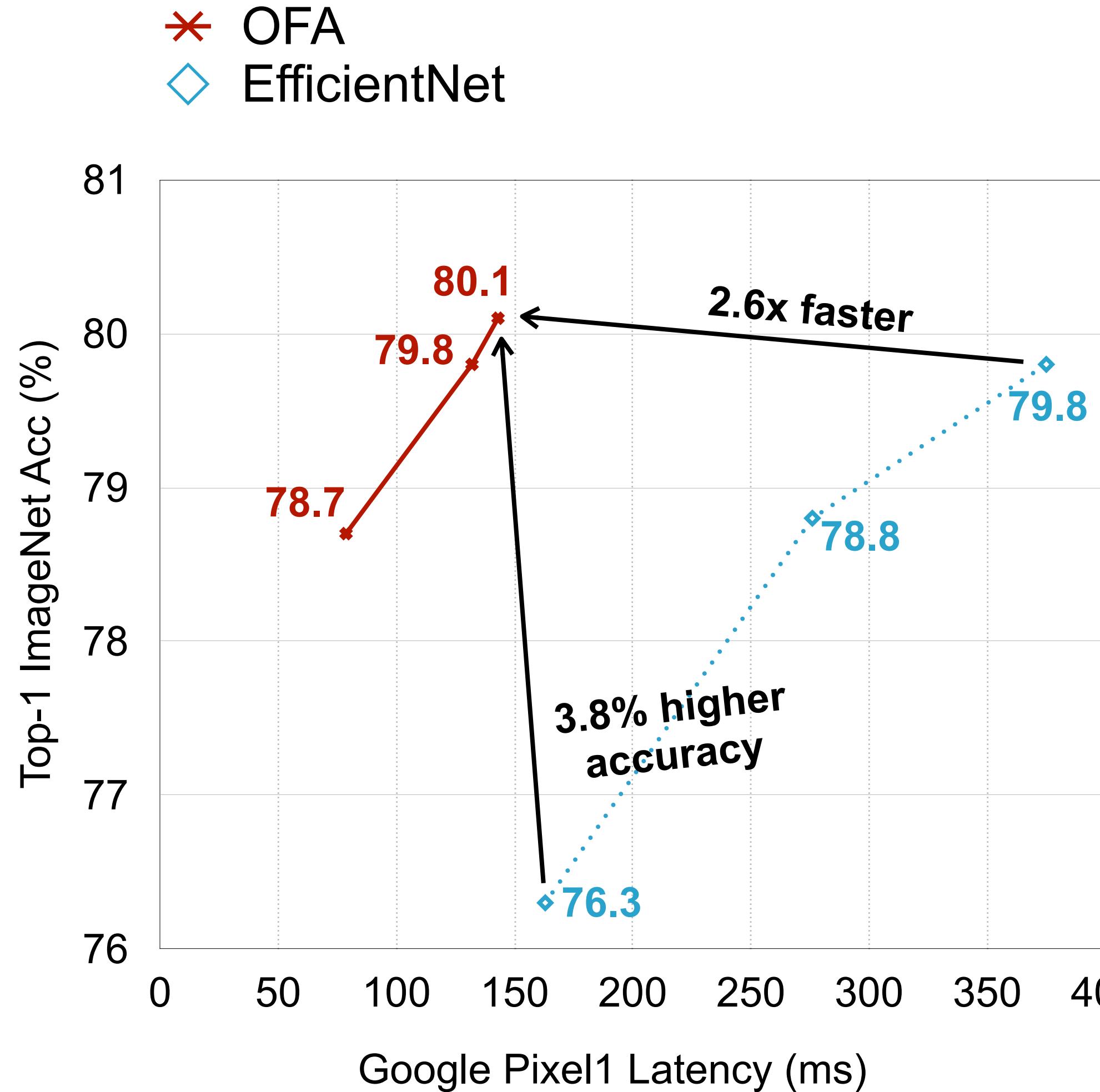


- Progressive shrinking consistently improves accuracy of sub-networks on ImageNet.

How about search?



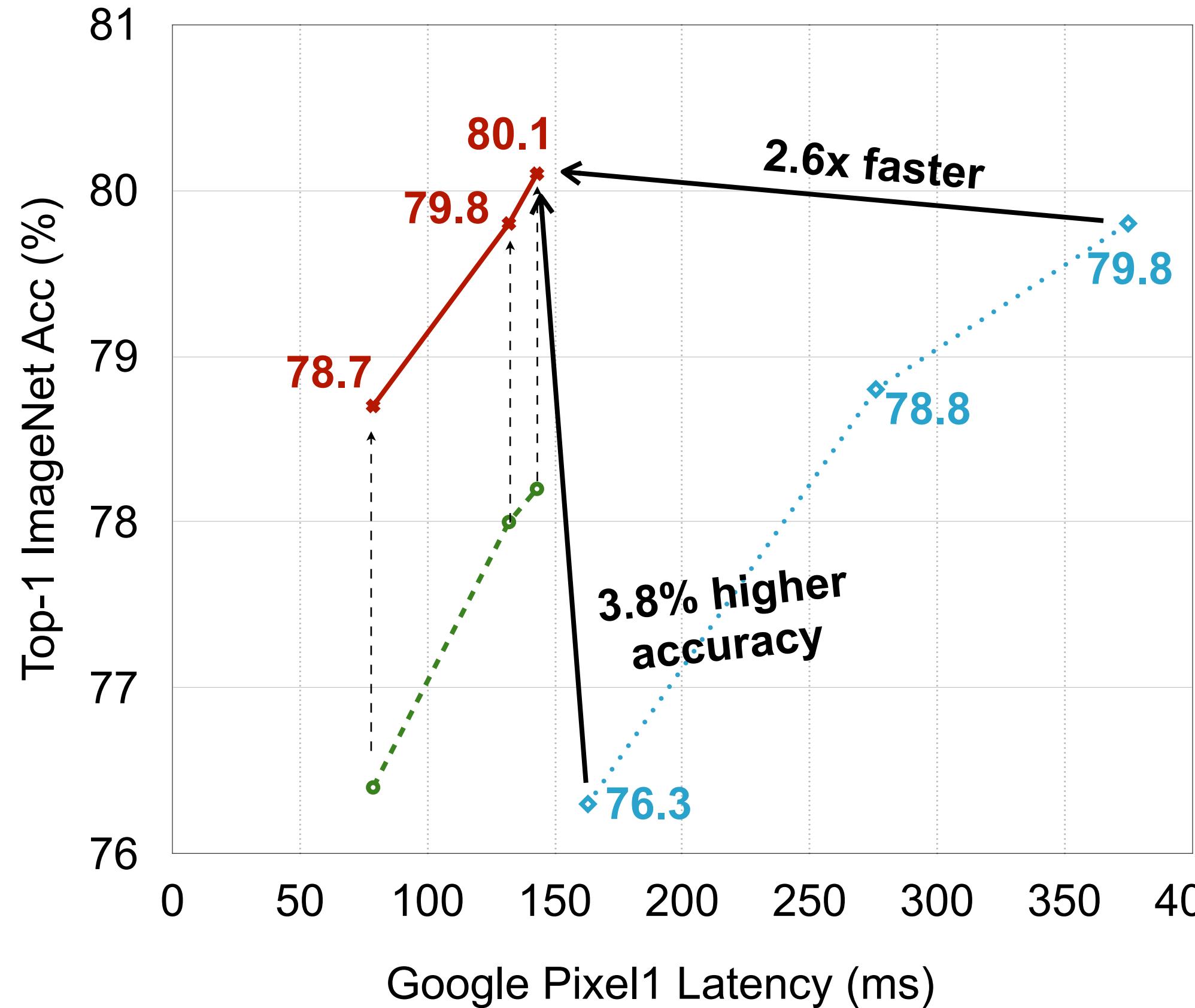
2.6x faster than EfficientNet 1.5x faster than MobileNetV3



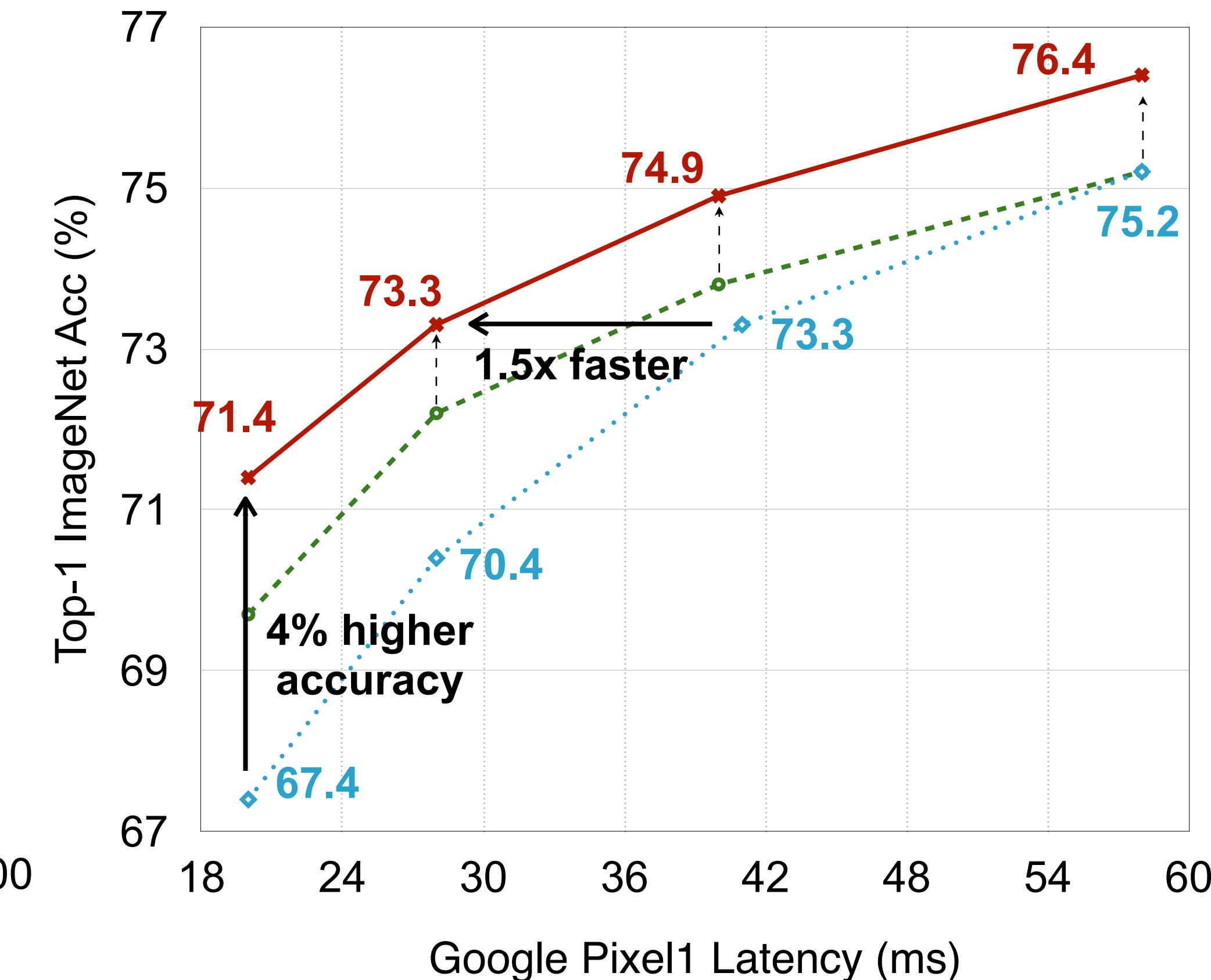
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More accurate than training from scratch

* OFA
◇ EfficientNet
○ OFA - Train from scratch

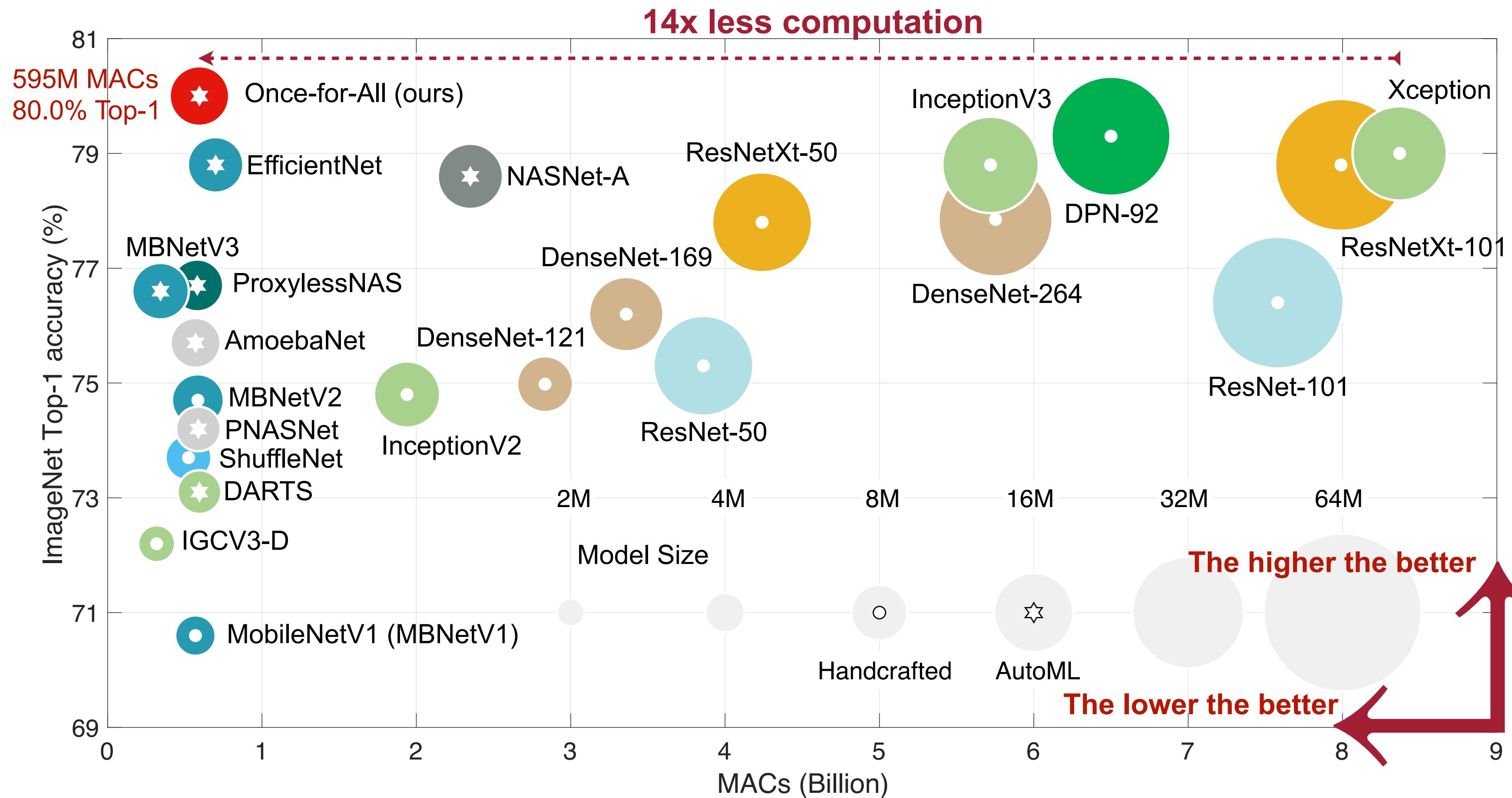


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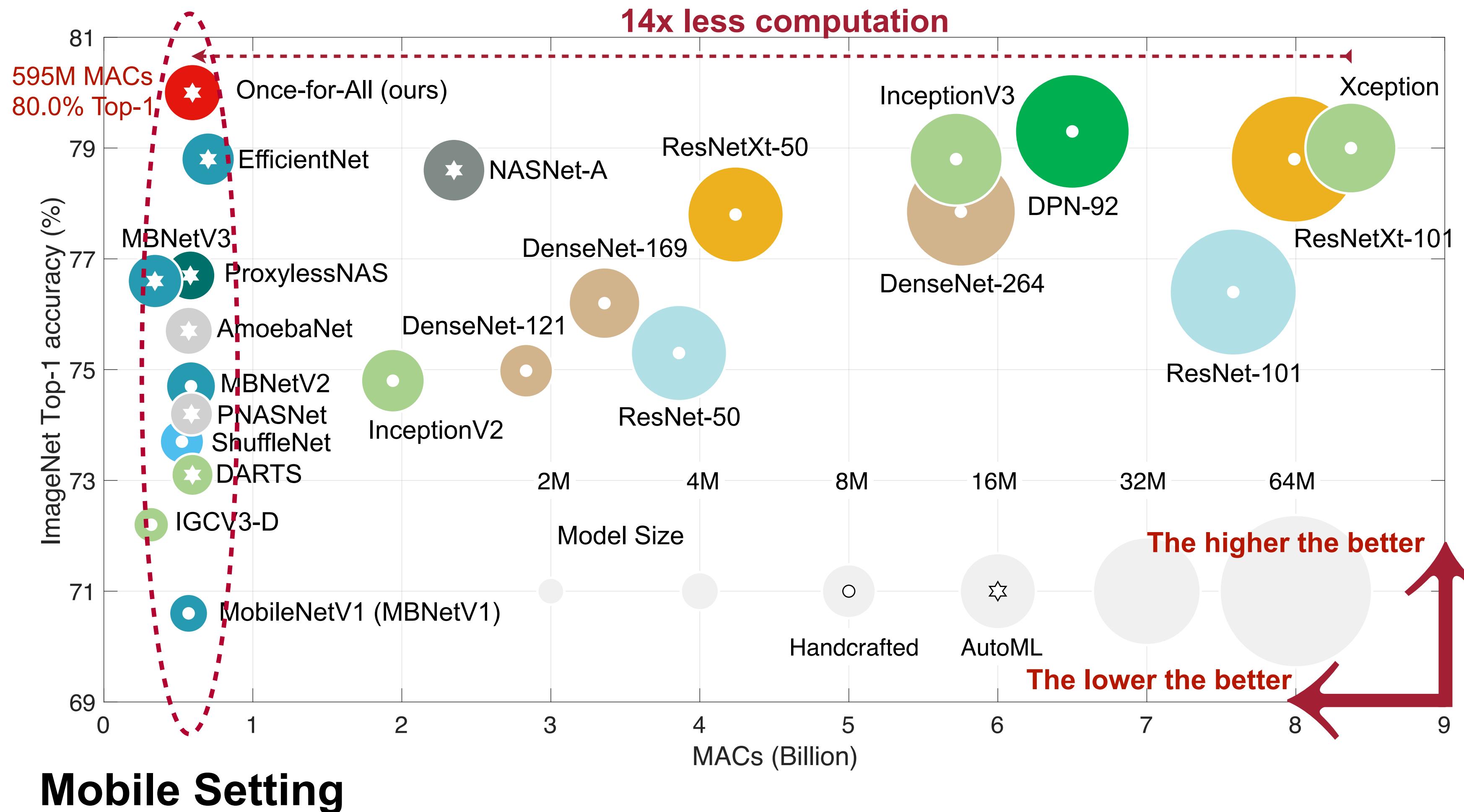
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OFA: 80% Top-1 Accuracy on ImageNet



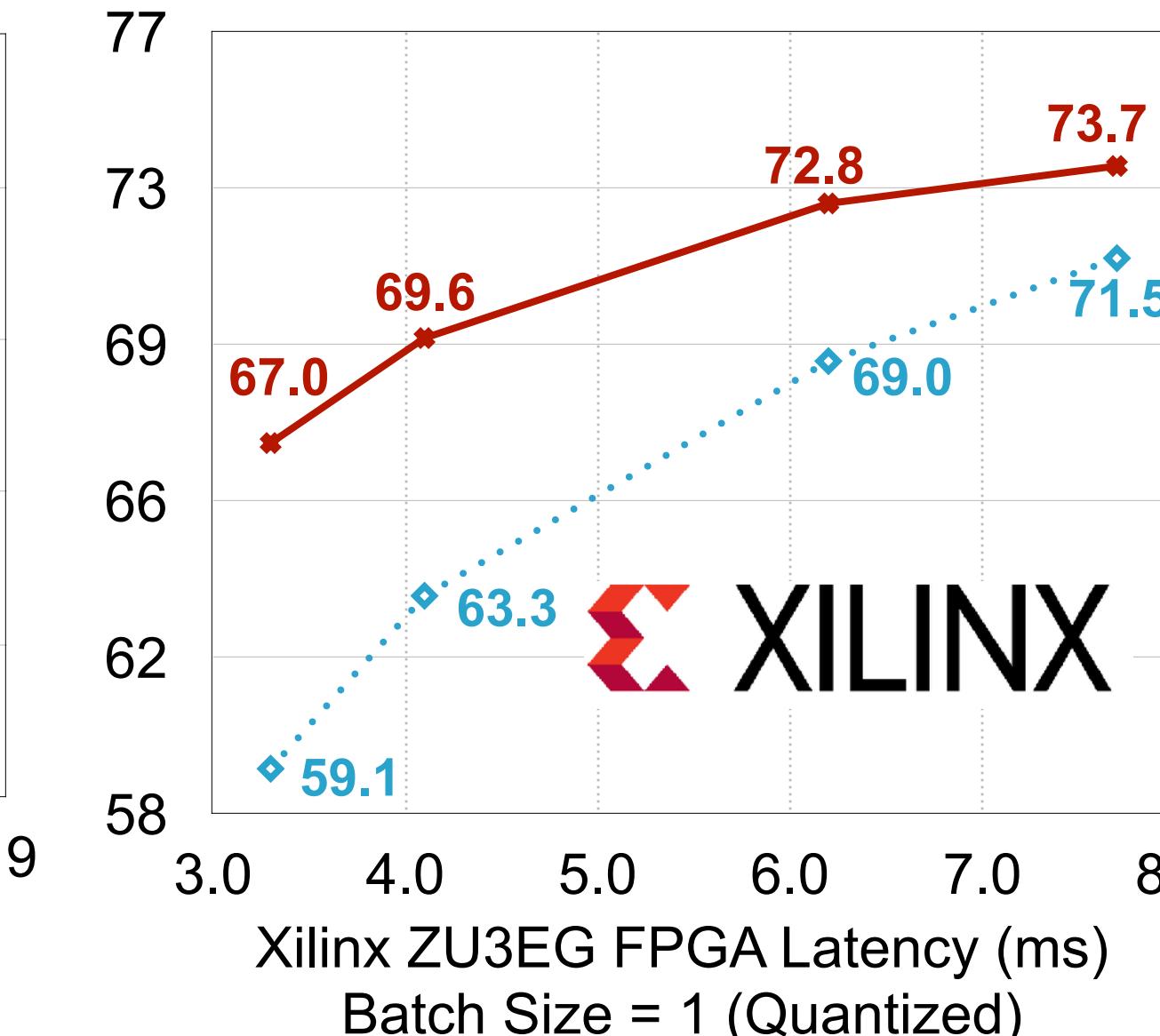
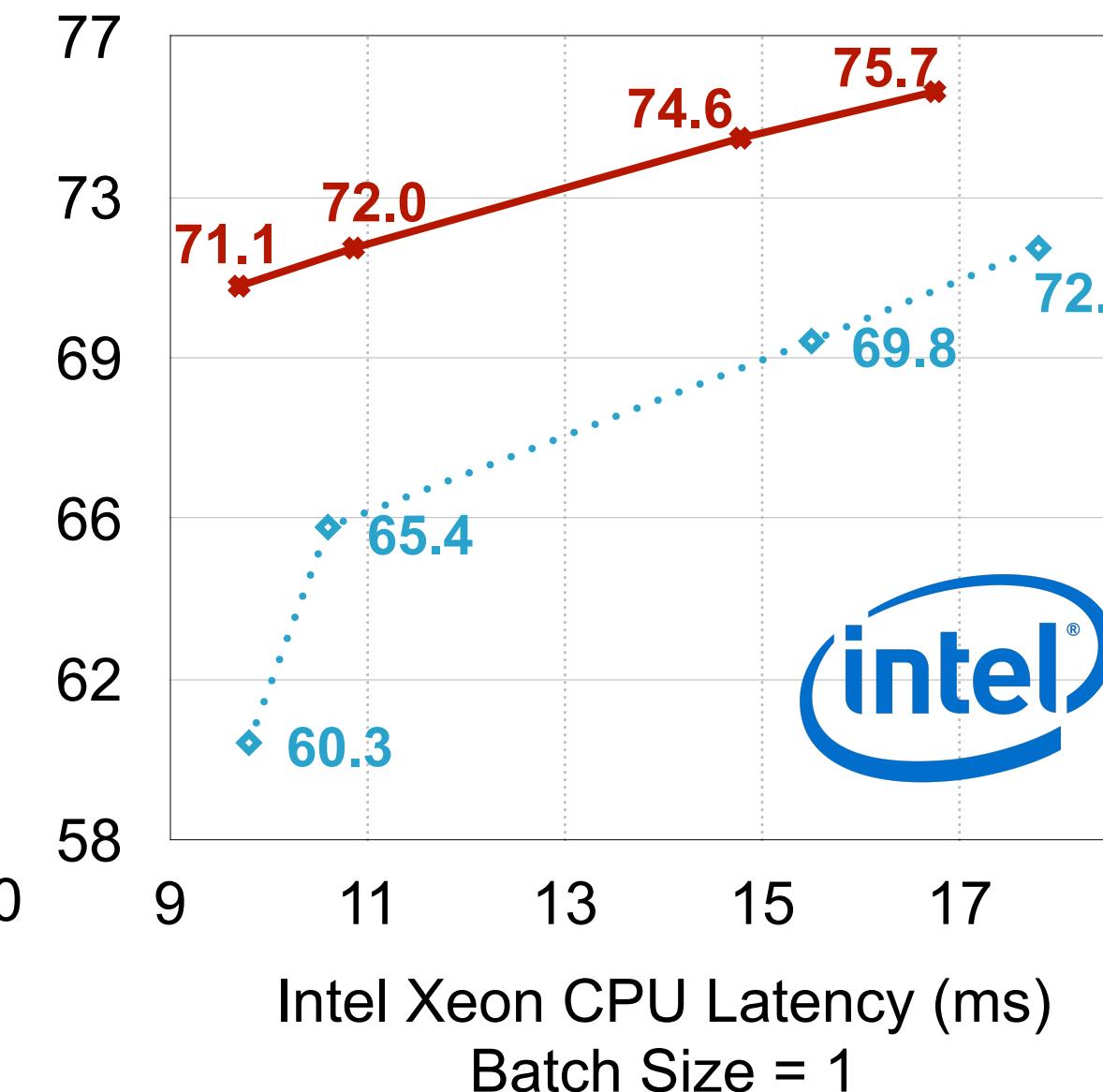
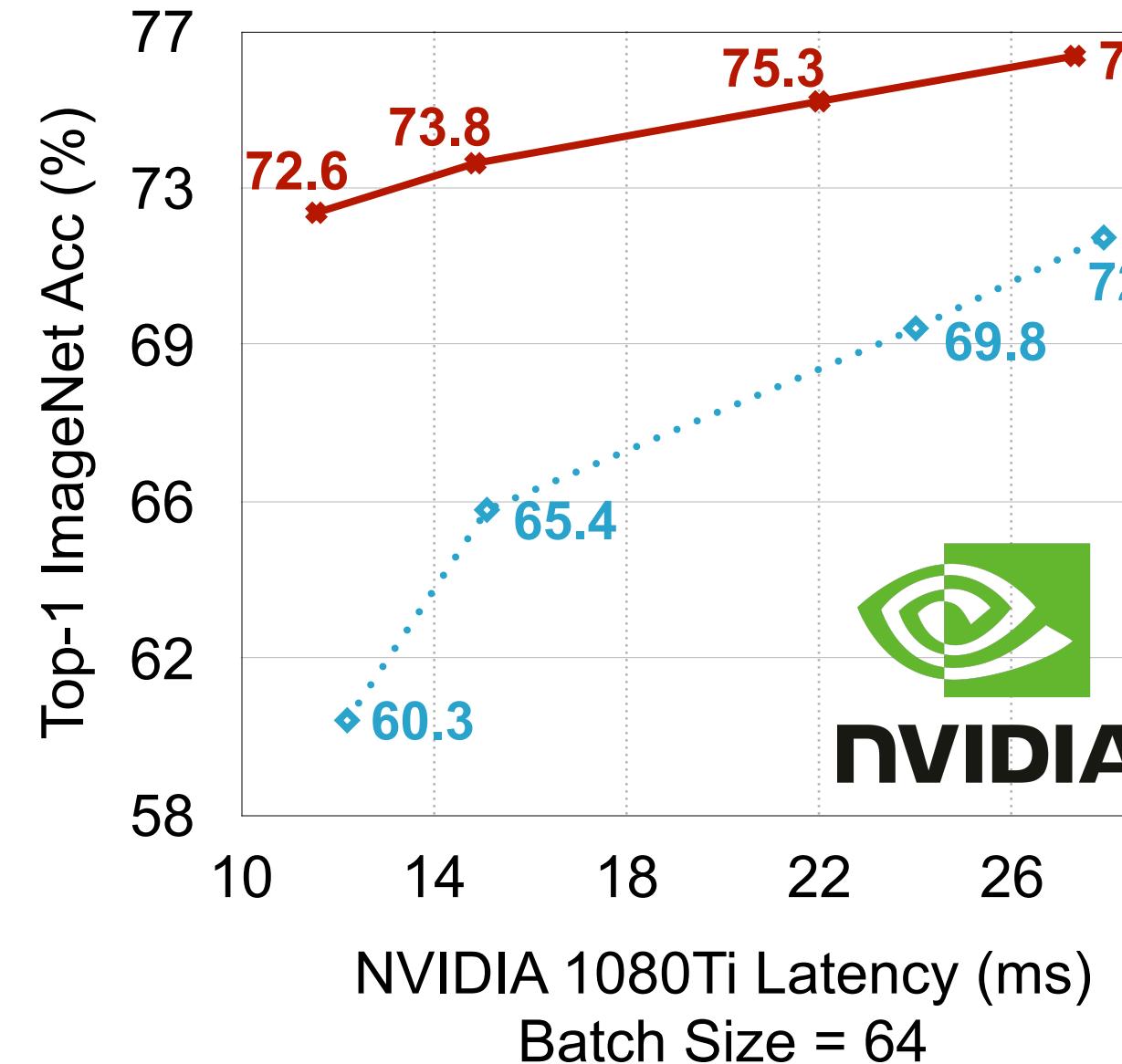
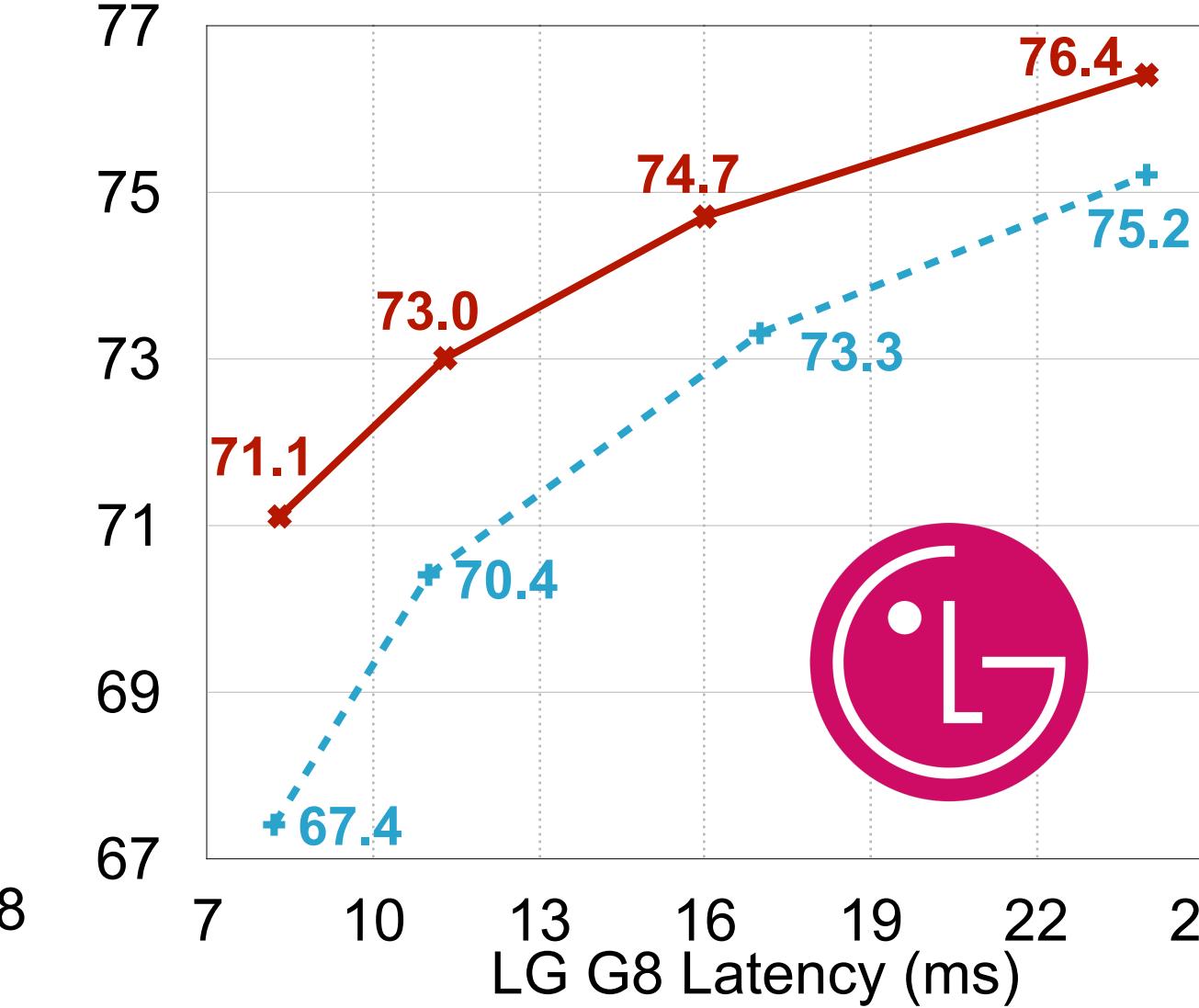
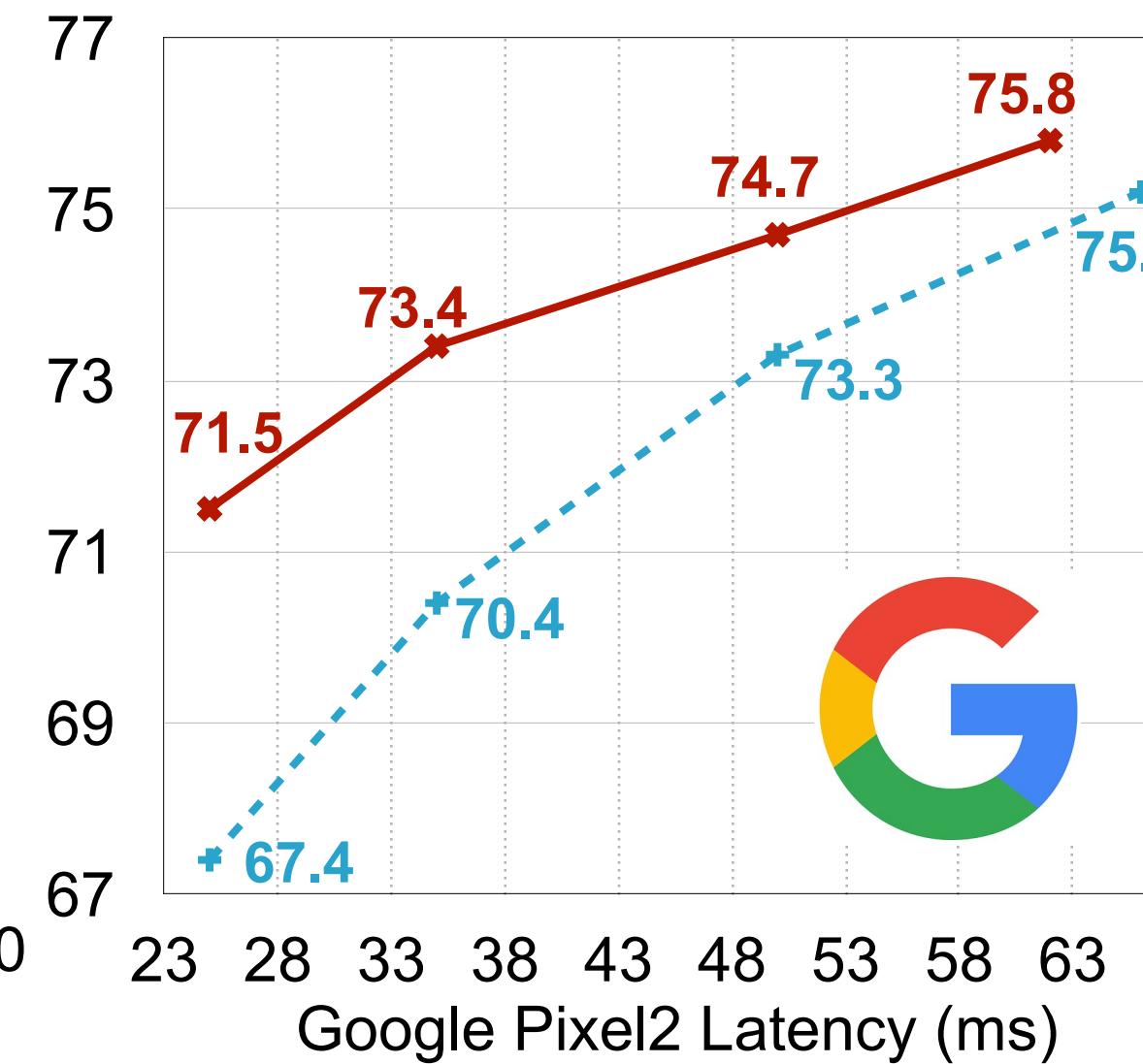
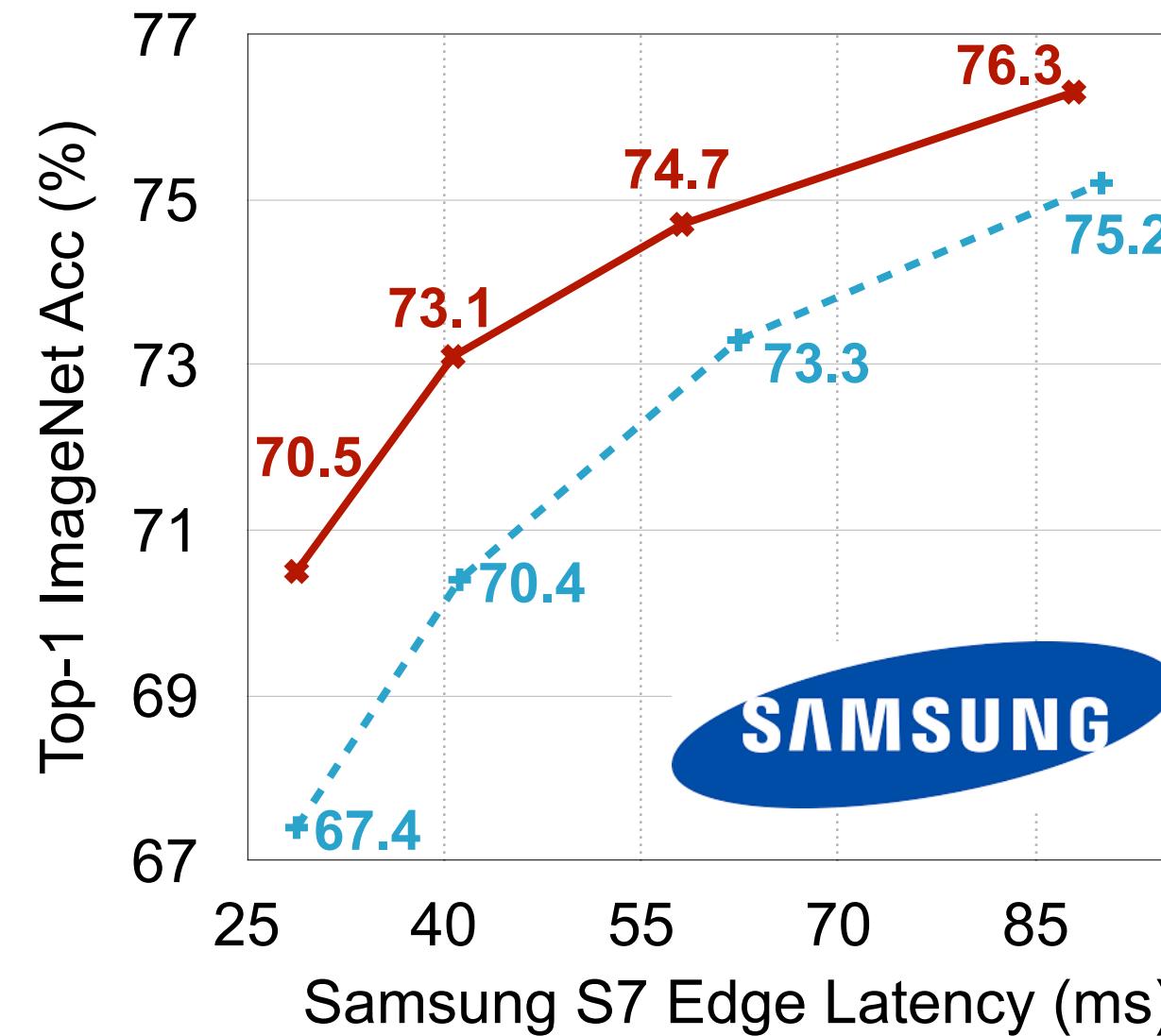
- Once-for-all sets a new state-of-the-art **80% ImageNet top-1 accuracy** under the mobile vision setting (< 600M MACs).

OFA: 80% Top-1 Accuracy on ImageNet

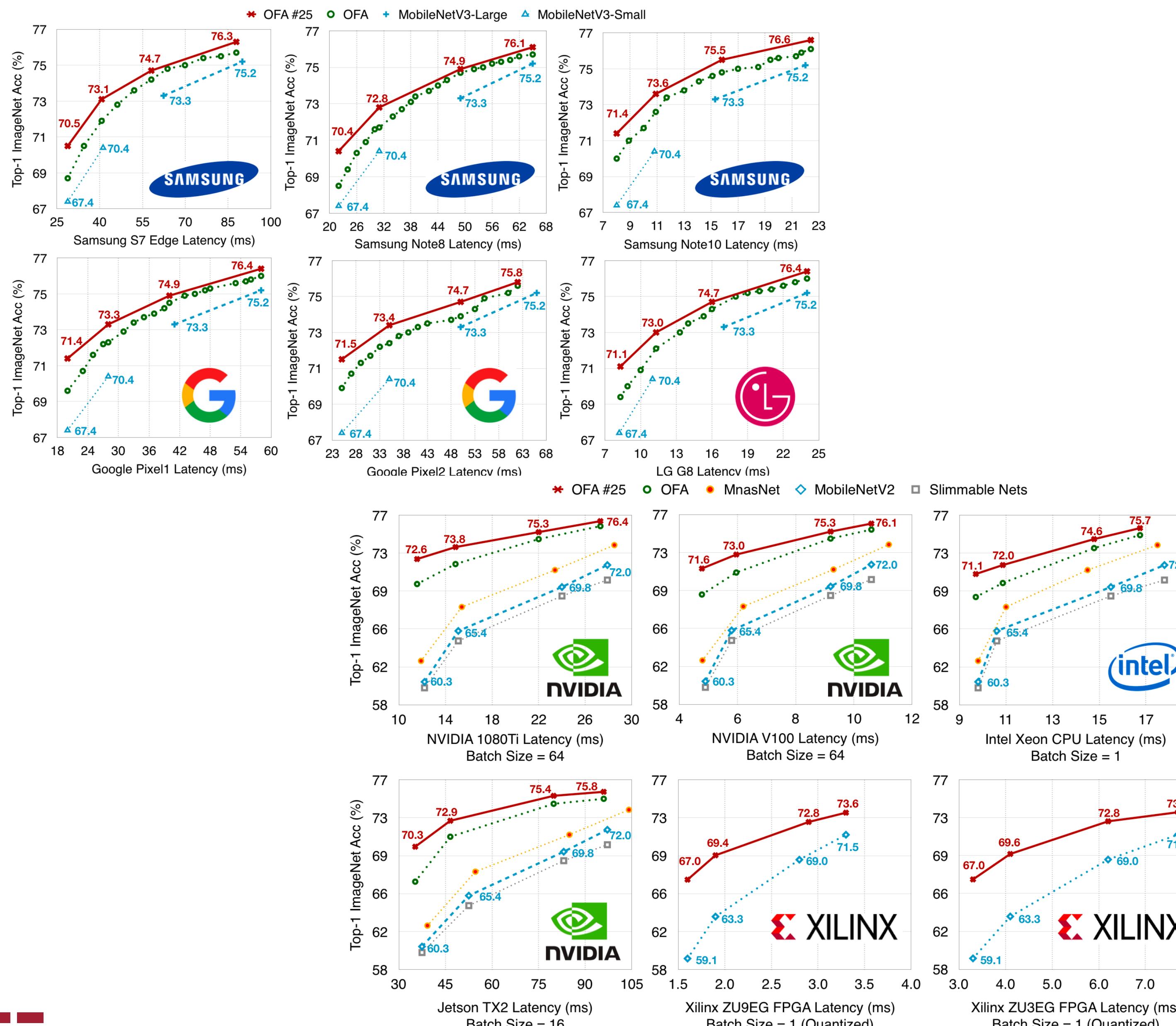


OFA Enables Fast Specialization on Diverse Hardware Platforms

* OFA + MobileNetV3 ◇ MobileNetV2



Diverse Hardware Platforms, 50+ Pretrained Models are Released



OFA based on FLOPs

- flops@595M_top1@80.0_finetune@75
- flops@482M_top1@79.6_finetune@75
- flops@389M_top1@79.1_finetune@75

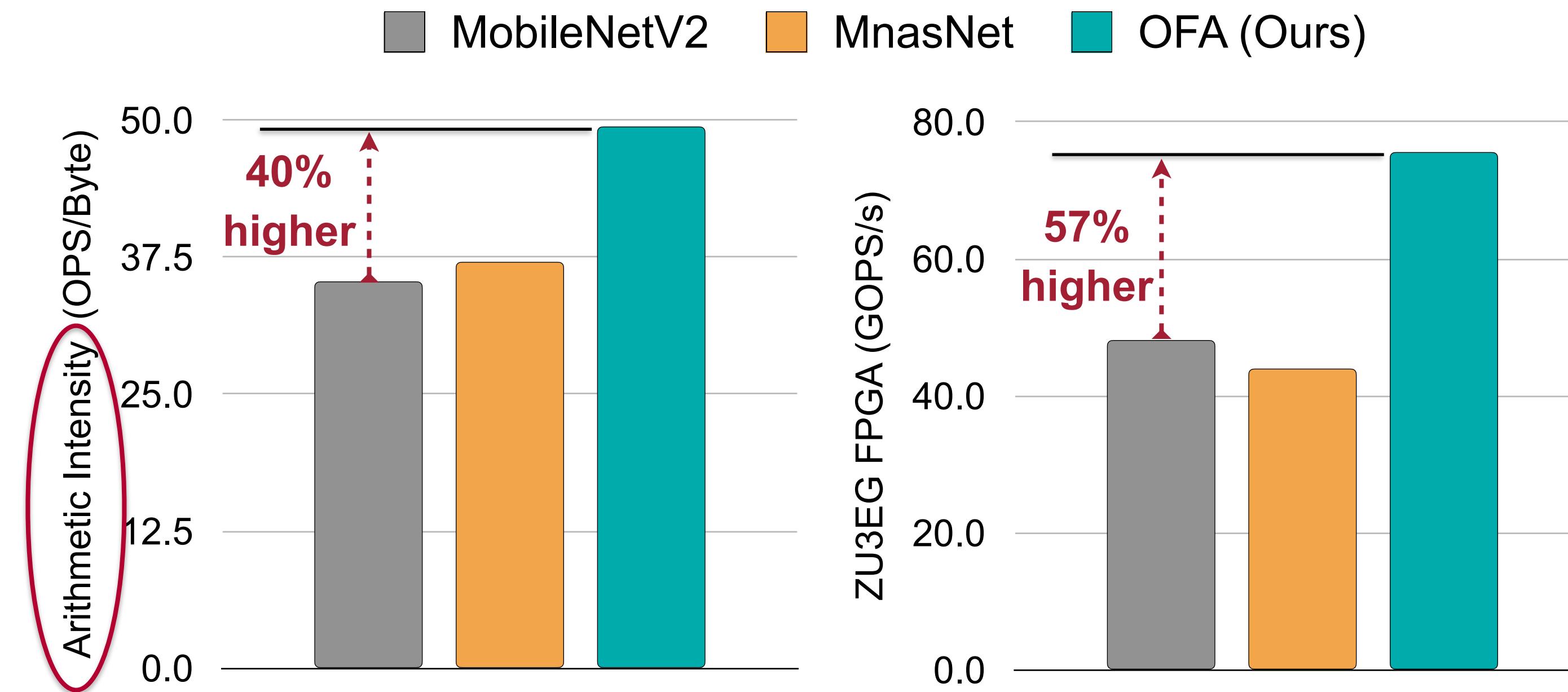
OFA for Mobile Phones

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OFA for Desktop (CPUs and GPUs)

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OFA for FPGA Accelerators



Measured results on  XILINX FPGA

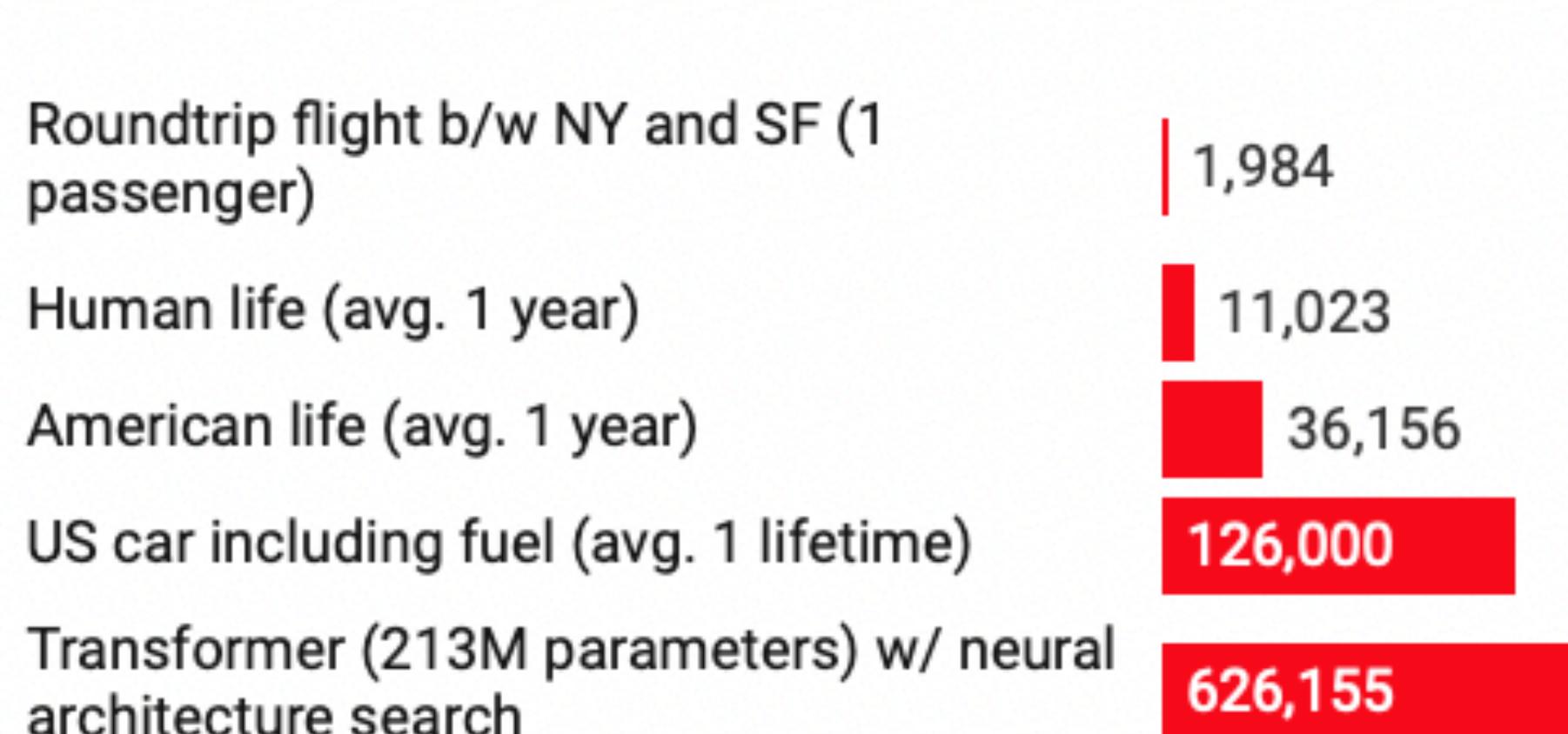
- Non-specialized neural networks do not fully utilize the hardware resource. There is a large room for improvement via neural network specialization.



We need Green AI Solve the Environmental Problem of NAS

Common carbon footprint benchmarks

in lbs of CO₂ equivalent



Artificial intelligence / Machine learning

Training a single AI model can emit as much carbon as five cars in their lifetimes

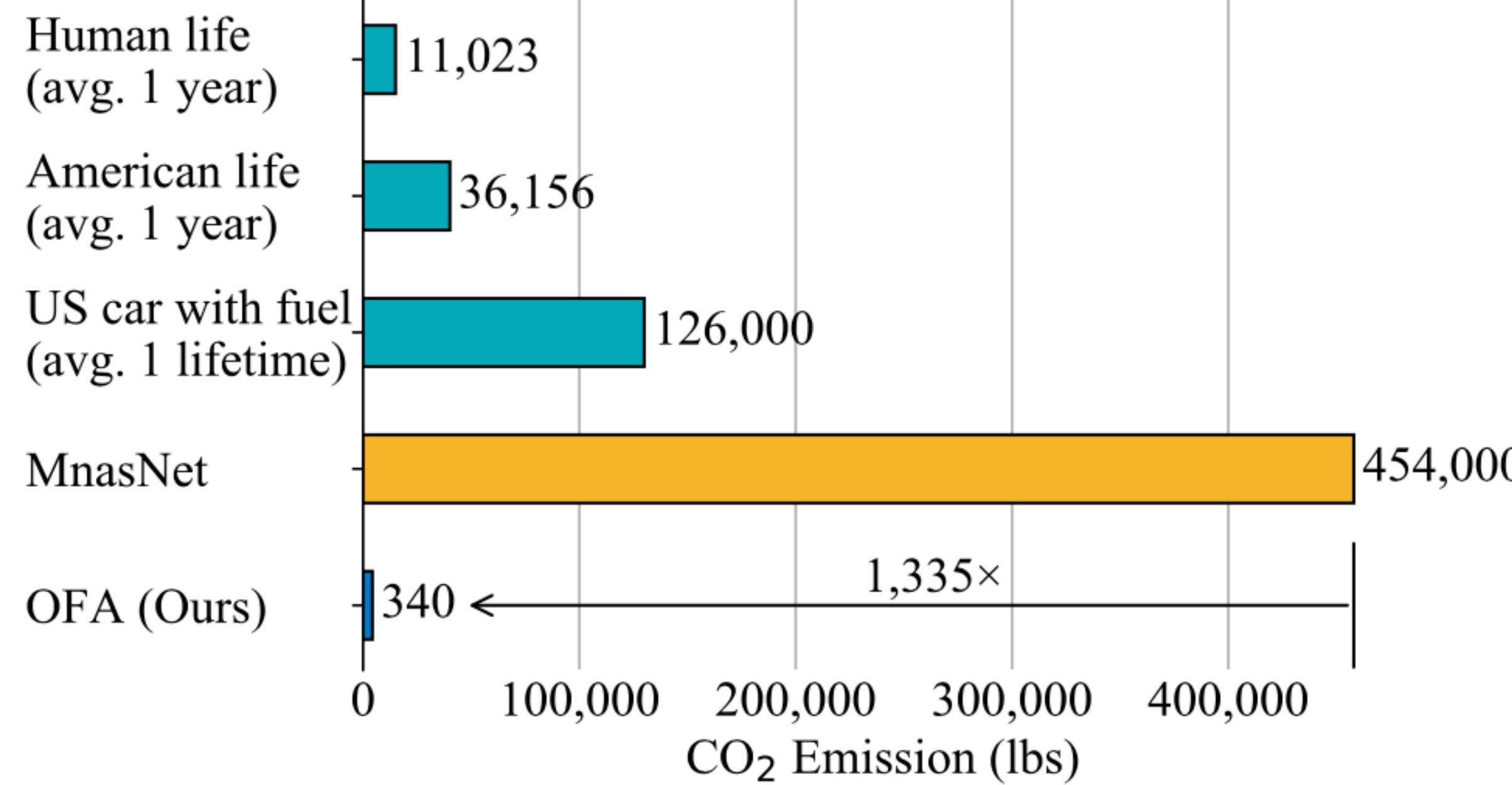
Deep learning has a terrible carbon footprint.

by Karen Hao

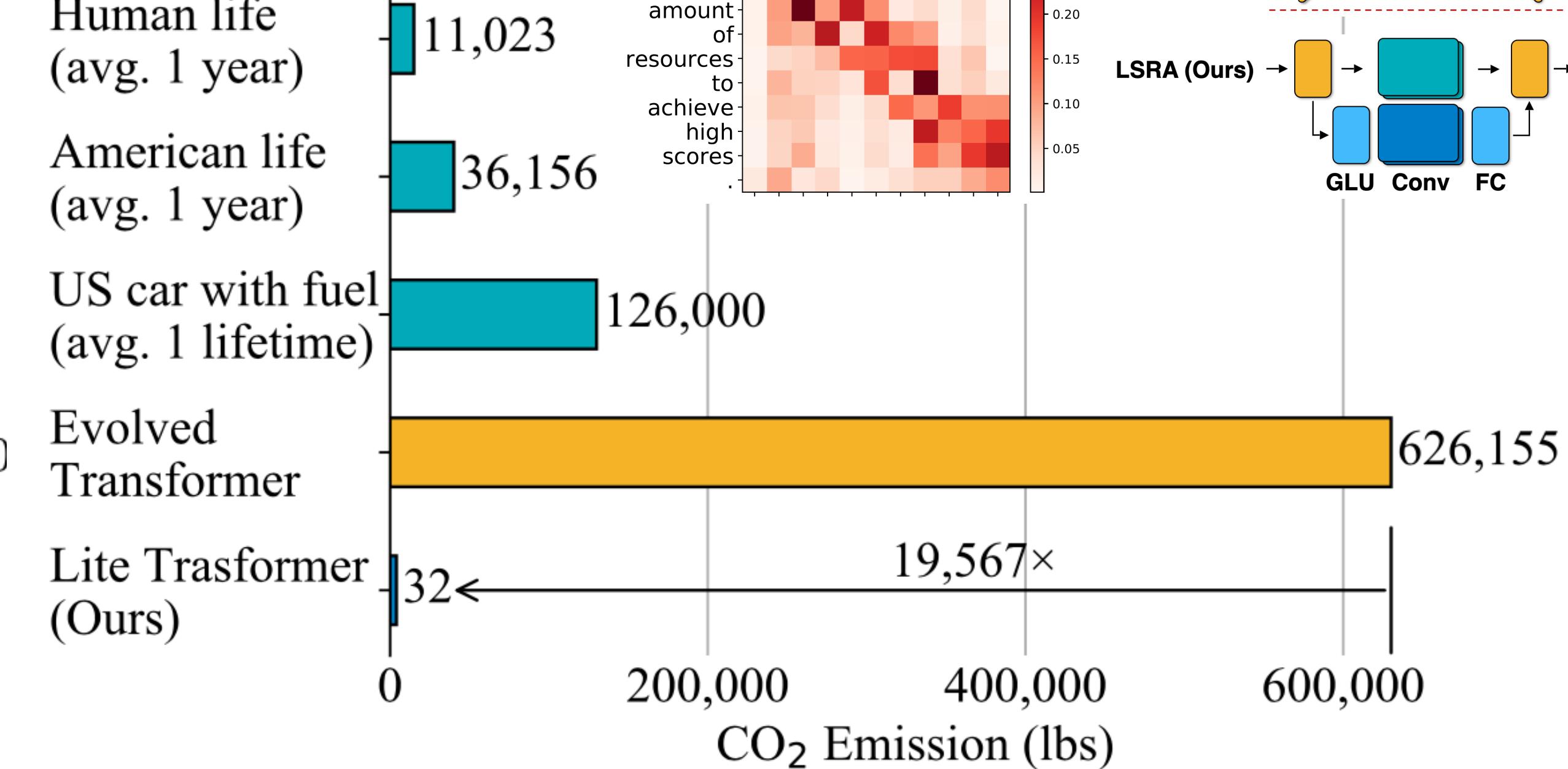
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The [artificial-intelligence industry](#) is often compared to the oil industry: once mined and refined, data, like oil, can be a highly lucrative commodity. Now it seems the metaphor may extend even further. Like its fossil-fuel counterpart, the process of [deep learning](#) has an outsize environmental impact.

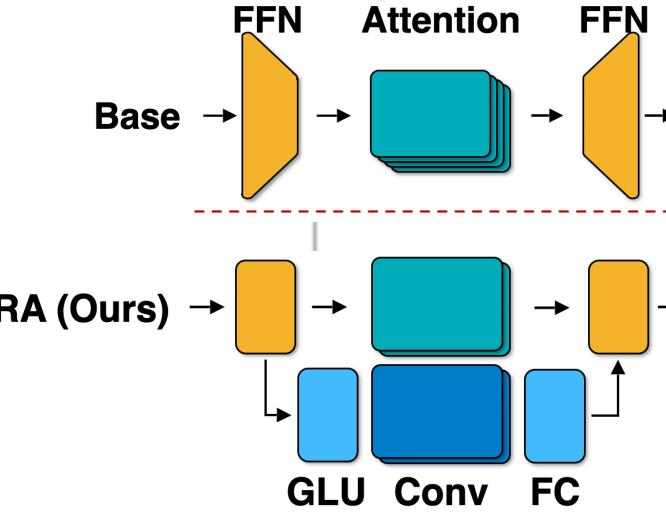
How to save CO₂ emission



1. Once for all: **Amortize** the search cost across **many** sub-networks and deployment scenarios



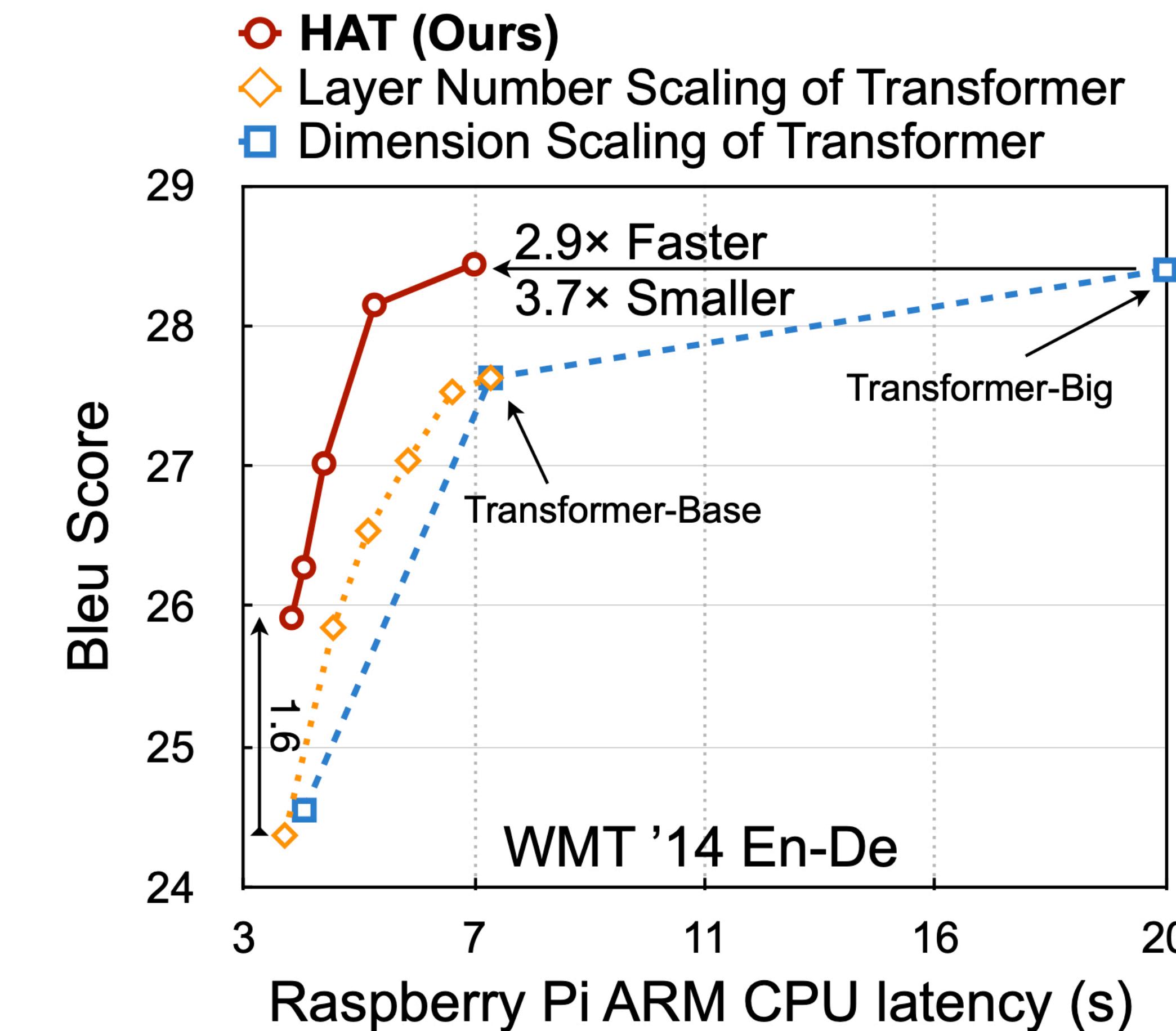
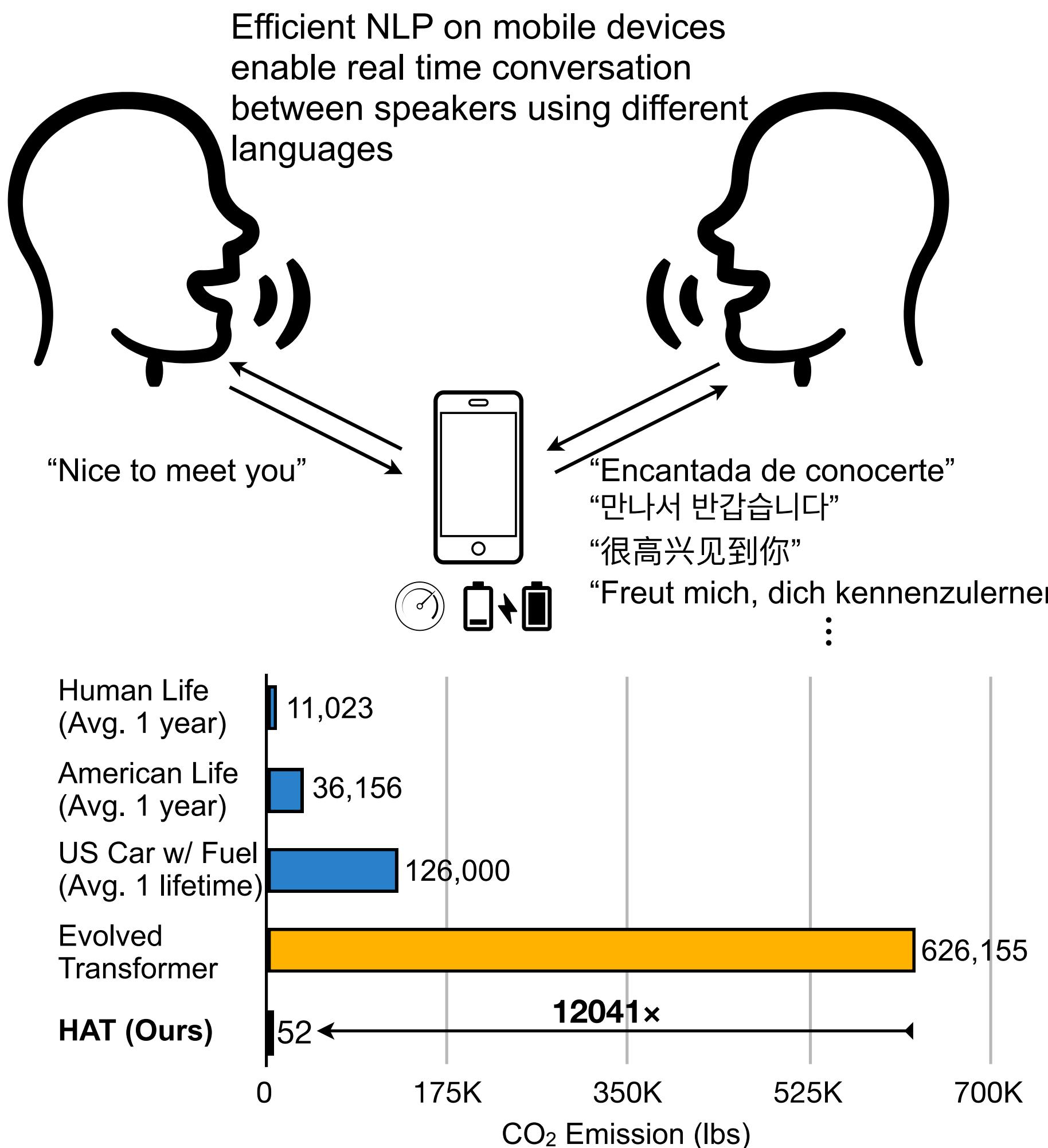
2. Lite-transformer: **Human-in-the-loop** design. Apply human insights of HW&ML, rather than “just search it”



OFA has broad applications

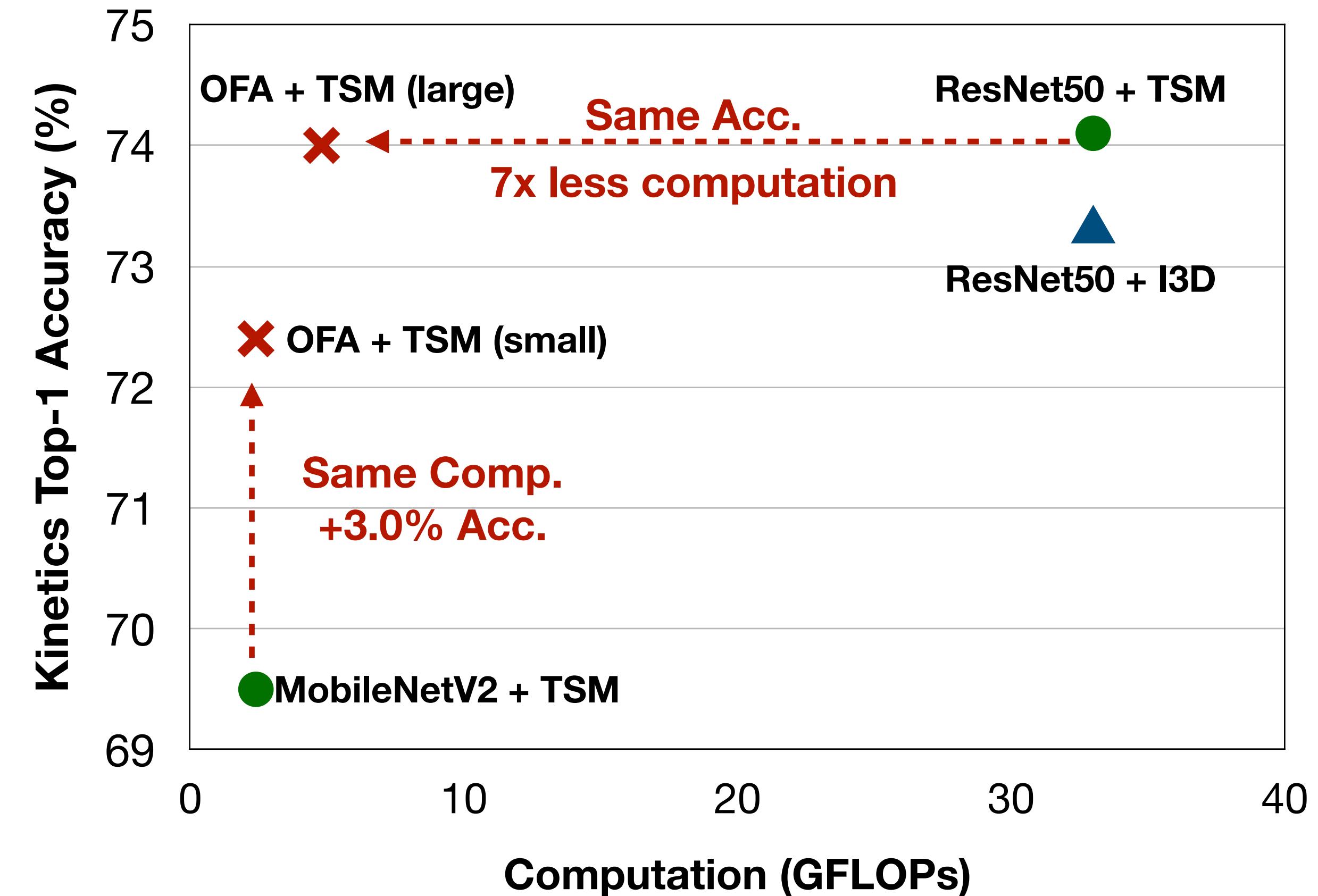
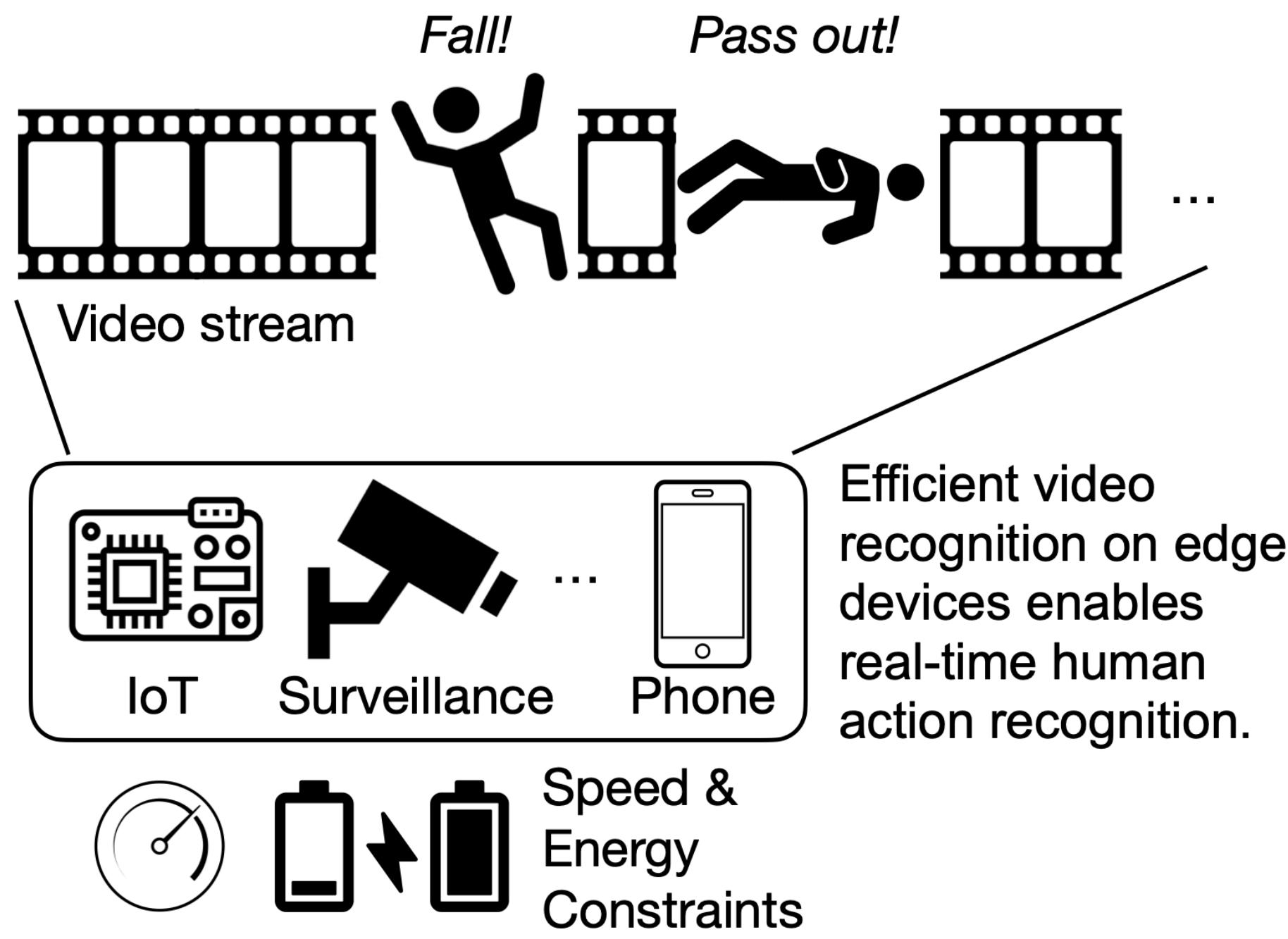
- Efficient Transformer
- Efficient Video Recognition
- Efficient 3D Vision
- Efficient GAN Compression

OFA's Application: Hardware-Aware Transformer



3.7x smaller model size, same performance on WMT'14 En-De;
3x, 1.6x, 1.5x faster on Raspberry Pi, CPU, GPU than Transformer Baseline
12,000x less CO₂ than evolved transformer

OFA's Application: Efficient Video Recognition



7x less computation, same performance as TSM+ResNet50
same computation, **3%** higher accuracy than TSM+MobileNet-v2

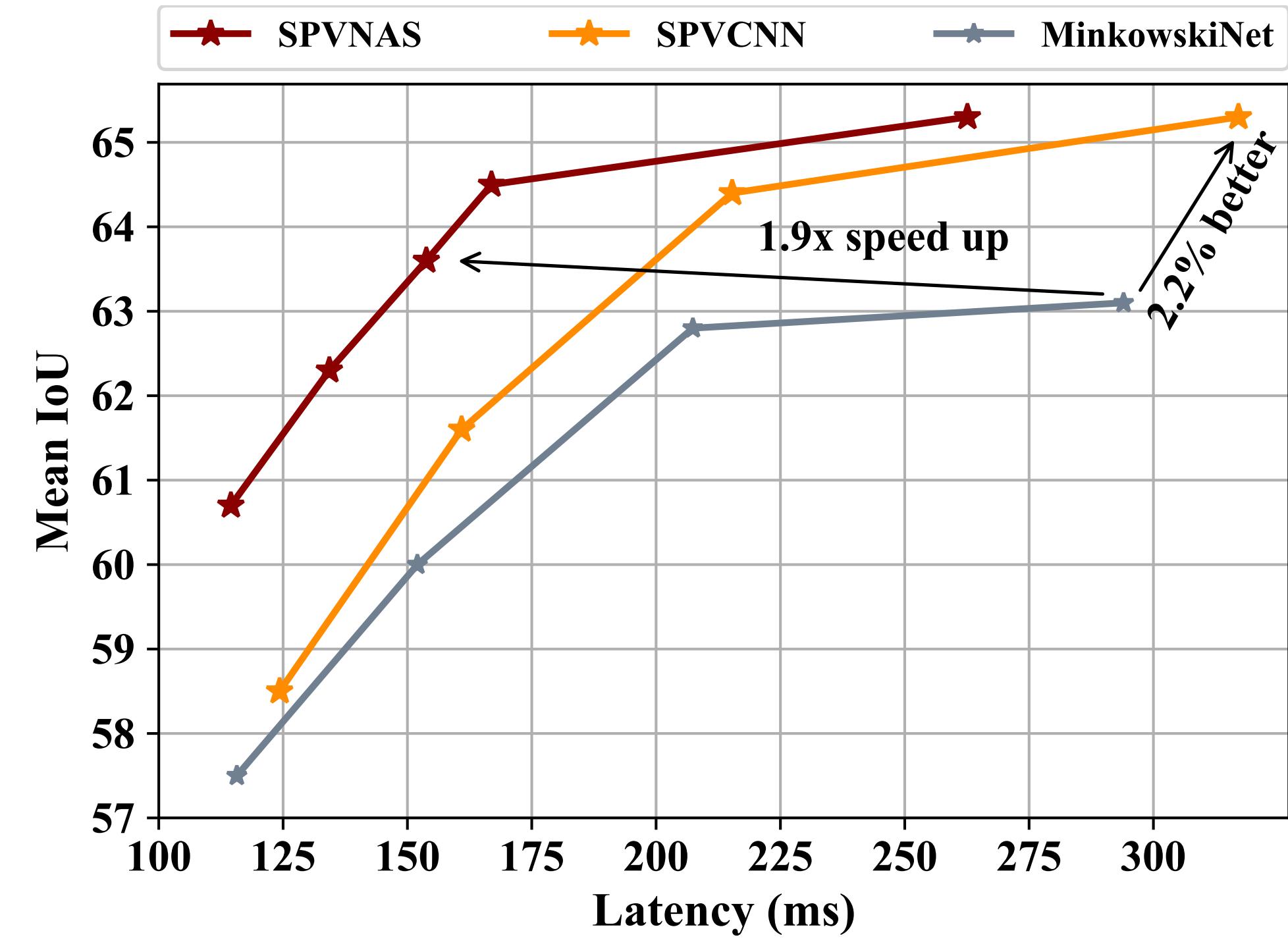
OFA's Application: Efficient 3D Recognition



AR/VR: a whole backpack
of computer



self-driving: a whole trunk of GPU



Accuracy v.s. Latency Tradeoff

4x FLOPs reduction and **2x** speedup over MinkowskiNet
3.6% better accuracy under the same computation budget.

followup of [PVCNN](#), NeurIPS'19 (spotlight)

OFA's Application: GAN Compression

Accelerating Horse2zebra by GAN Compression



Original CycleGAN; FLOPs: 56.8G; **FPS: 12.1**; FID: 61.5



GAN Compression; FLOPs: 3.50G (16.2x); **FPS: 40.0 (3.3x)**; FID: 53.6

Measured on NVIDIA Jetson Xavier GPU

Lower FID indicates better Performance.

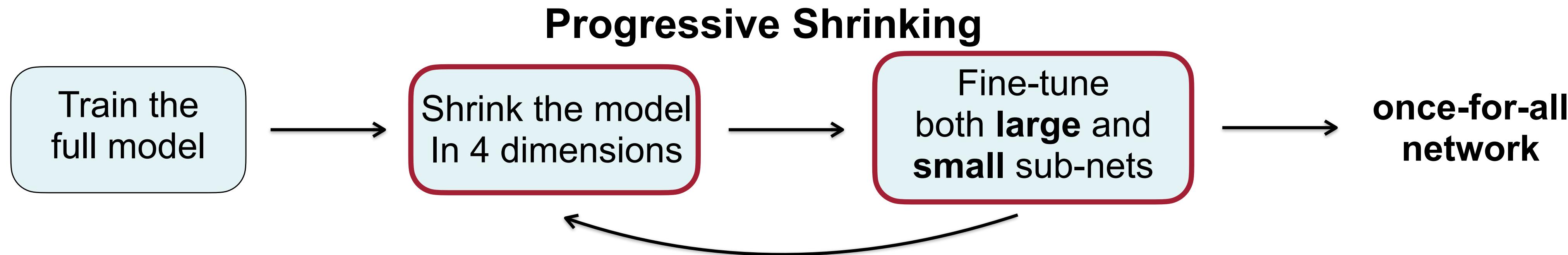


	Model	CycleGAN	Pix2pix	GauGAN
Metric	FID (\downarrow)	61.5 \rightarrow 65.0	24.2 \rightarrow 26.6	-
	mAP (\uparrow)	-	-	58.9 \rightarrow 58.4
	MAC Reduction	21.2 \times	11.8 \times	8.8 \times
	Memory Reduction	2.0 \times	1.7 \times	1.8 \times
Xavier	CPU	1.65s (18.5 \times)	3.07s (9.9 \times)	21.2s (7.9 \times)
Speedup	GPU	0.026s (3.1 \times)	0.035s (2.4 \times)	0.10s (3.2 \times)
Nano	CPU	6.30s (14.0 \times)	8.57s (10.3 \times)	65.3s (8.6 \times)
Speedup	GPU	0.16s (4.0 \times)	0.26s (2.5 \times)	0.81s (3.3 \times)
1080Ti Speedup		0.005s (2.5 \times)	0.007s (1.8 \times)	0.034s (1.7 \times)
Xeon Silver 4114				
CPU Speedup		0.11s (3.4 \times)	0.15s (2.6 \times)	0.74s (2.8 \times)

8-21x FLOPs reduction on CycleGAN, Pix2pix, GauGAN
1.7x-18.5x speedup on CPU/GPU & Mobile CPU/GPU

Summary: Once-for-All Network

- We introduce once-for-all network for **efficient inference on diverse hardware platforms**.
- We present an effective **progressive shrinking** approach for training once-for-all networks.



- Once-for-all network **surpasses MobileNetV3 and EfficientNet** by a large margin under all scenarios, setting a new state-of-the-art **80% ImageNet Top1-accuracy** under the mobile setting (**< 600M MACs**).
 - **First place** in the 3rd Low-Power Computer Vision Challenge, DSP track @ICCV'19
 - **First place** in the 4th Low-Power Computer Vision Challenge @NeurIPS'19, both classification & detection.
- Released **50+ different pre-trained OFA models** on diverse hardware platforms (CPU/GPU/FPGA/DSP).

```
net, image_size = ofa_specialized(net_id, pretrained=True)
```
- Released the **training code & pre-trained OFA network** that provides diverse sub-networks without training.

```
ofa_network = ofa_net(net_id, pretrained=True)
```

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