# Neural Architecture Search

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### **Overview**

1. Neural architecture search

2. Our contribution

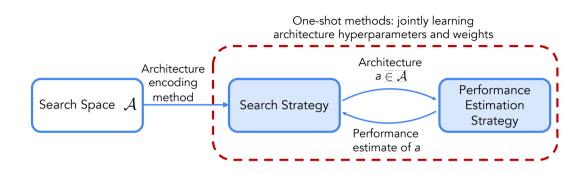


Figure: Overview of NAS.

A search strategy iteratively selects architectures (typically by using an architecture encoding method) from a predened search space  ${\cal A}$  .

The architectures are passed to a performance estimation strategy, which returns the performance estimate to the search strategy.

For one-shot methods, the search strategy and performance estimation strategy are inherently coupled.

## **Search space**

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#### Definition

The set of all archtectures that the NAS algorithm is allowed to select.

- Size: from a few thousand to over 10<sup>2</sup>0.
- Reduction: adding domain knowledge.
- $\rightarrow$  Introduce humain bias  $\rightarrow$  x reduce the chance of finding truly nover architecture.

## Search strategy

#### Definition

The optimization technique used to find a high-performing architecture in the search space.

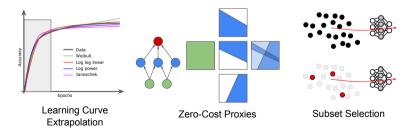
- Black-box optimization techniques : RL, Bayesian optimization, evolutionary search.
- One-shot techniques: supernet-hypernet based methods.

## Performance estimation strategy

#### Definition

Any method used to quickly predict the performance of neural architectures in order to avoid fully training the architecture.

- Full training & evaluation.
- Performance estimation strategy.



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- 2. Explanation
- 3. Example

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