Architectures

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Outline

Early Architectures

Deeper Models

Learning Architectures

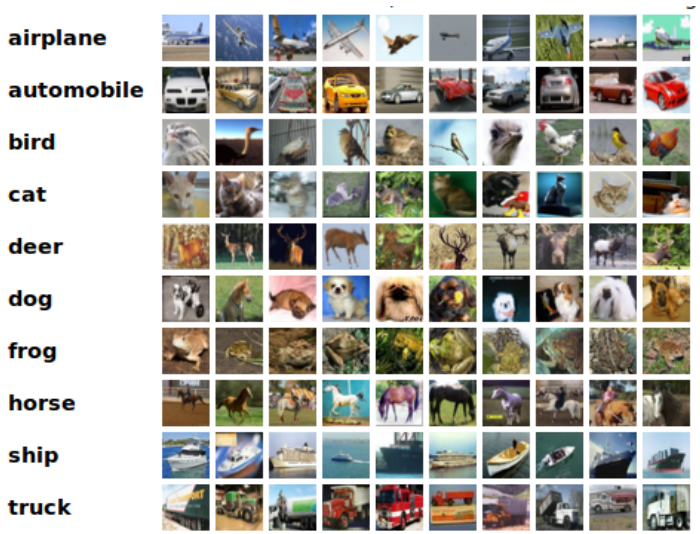
Datasets for Object Detection / Image Classification

ImageNet Dataset [11]

- 1000 classes
- > 14 Mio. images
- Subsets used for ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenges (ILSVRC)
- Natural images of varying size

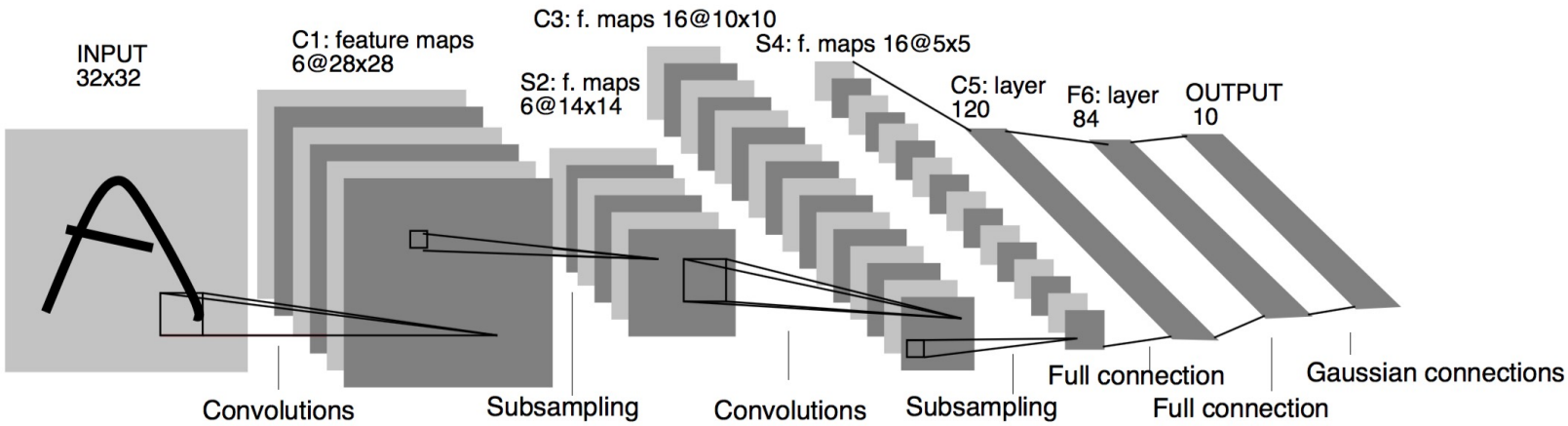
CIFAR 10 / 100

- 10 / 100 classes
- 50 k training / 10 k testing
- 32 $\times$ 32 images



Early Architectures

LeNet-5 (1998) [9]



Key features

- Convolution for spatial features
- Subsampling using average pooling
- Non-linearity: tanh
- Sparse connectivity between S2 and C3 (efficiency, robustness)
- MLP as final classifier
- Sequence: Convolution, pooling, non-linearity

➔ Foundation for many other architectures

('•' Technique still used in recent architectures)

Source: [9]

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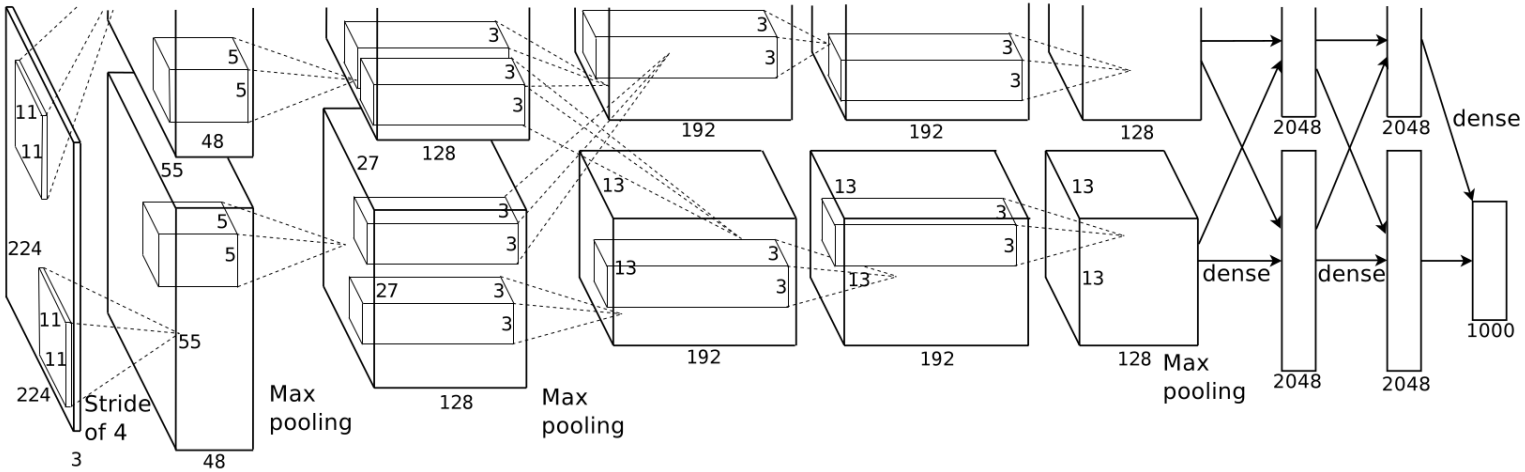

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Key features I

- 8 Layers
- Use of GPU(s) to reduce training time
- Overlapping max pooling (stride: 2, size: 3)
- Non-linearity: ReLU

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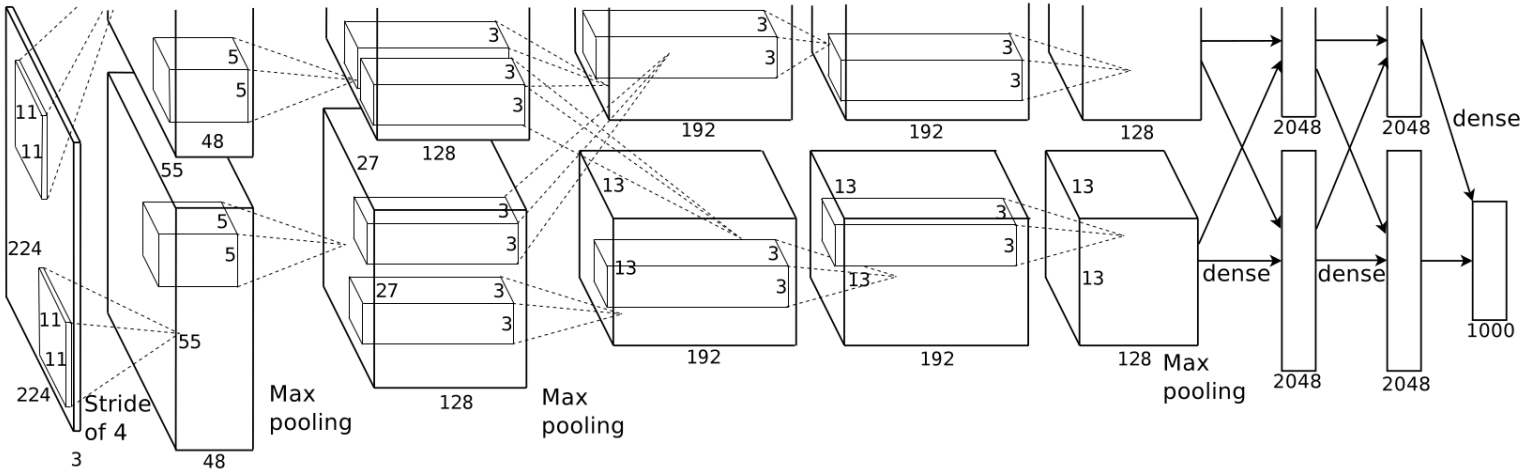

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Key features II

- Combat overfitting:
  - Dropout w. $p = 0.5$ in the first two FC layers
  - Data augmentation (random transformations, random intensity variation)

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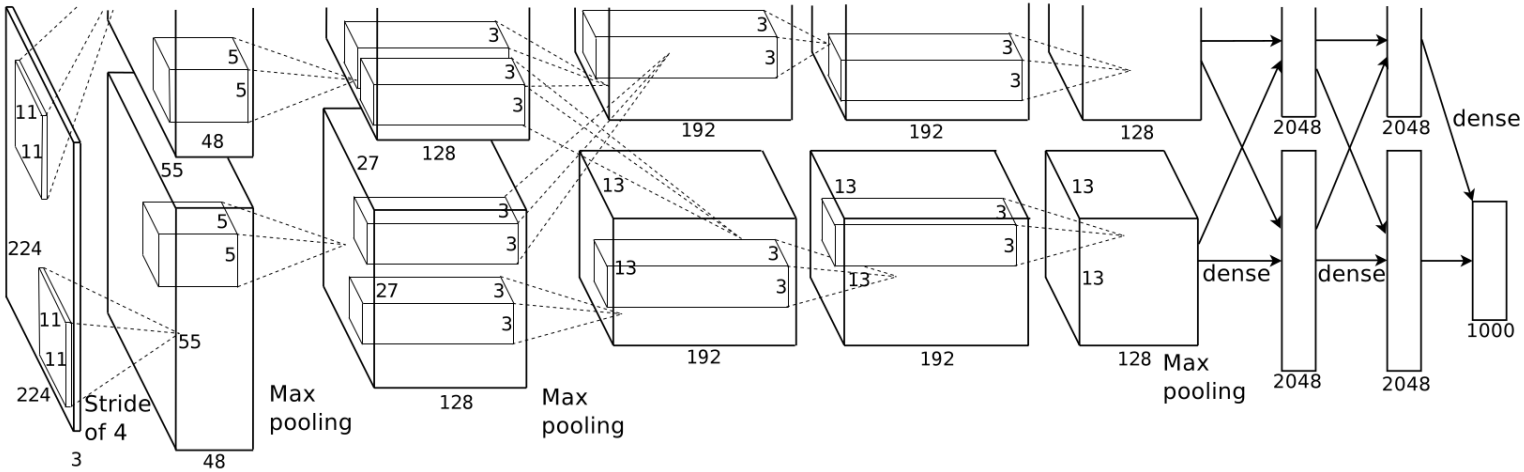

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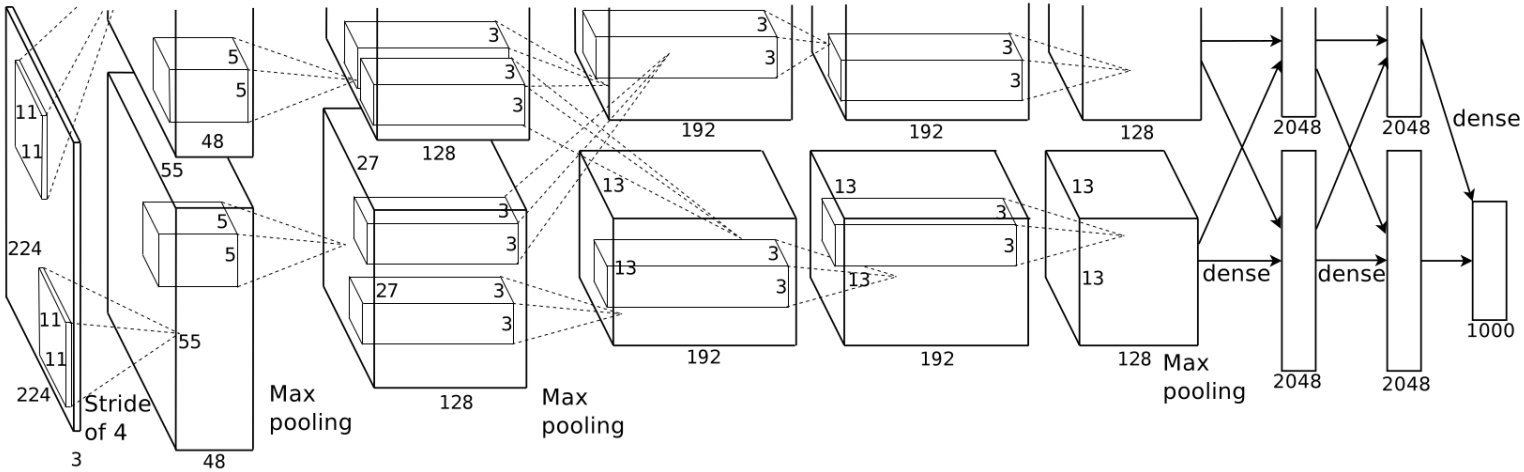

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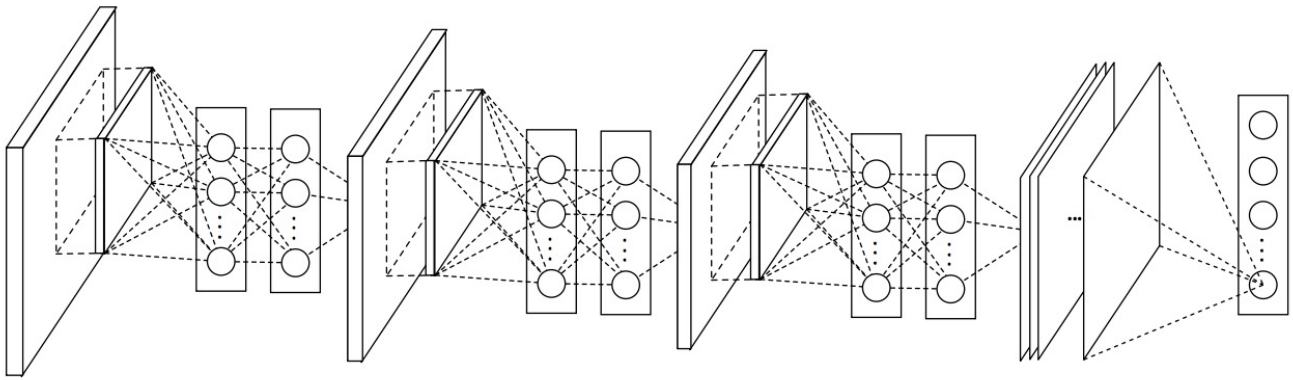
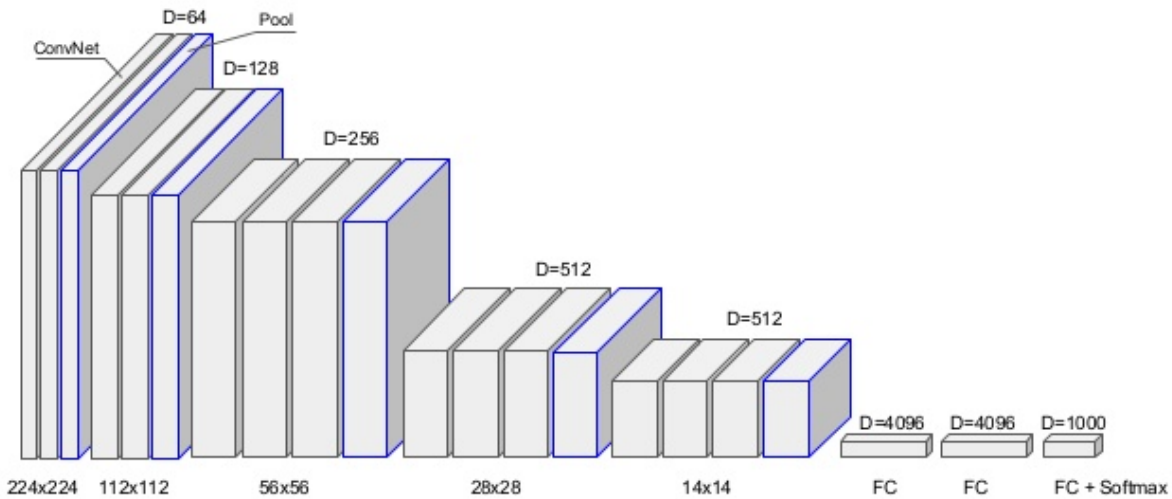


Key features

- 1×1 filters
  - Conventional conv layers only learn linear functions of input
  - ➔ Connect conv layers by FC layers that can learn non-linear functions
  - ➔ Equivalent to FC layer: conv layer with 1×1 filters
  - ➔ Very few parameters, shared across all activations
- Global (spatial) average pooling as last layer
  - ➔ Less prone to overfitting than final FC layers

Source: [10]

VGG Network (Visual Geometry Group – University of Oxford) [12]



Key features

- Small kernel sizes in each convolution (3×3)
  - ➔ Combination of multiple smaller kernels emulate larger receptive fields
- 16 / 19 layers, max pooling between some layers (stride: 2, size: 2)
- Learning procedure similar to AlexNet

– hard to train (in practice: pre-training with shallower networks)

Source: https://www.slideshare.net/holbertonschool/deep-learning-class-2-by-louis-monier

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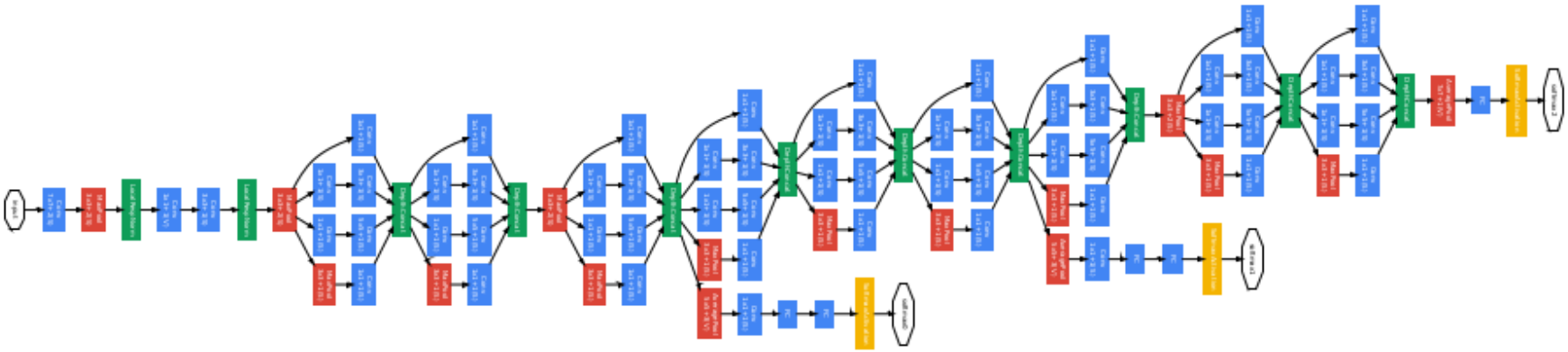

Goal

- Network design with embedded hardware in mind

➔ maximum 1.5 billion MAD (multiply-add) operations at inference time

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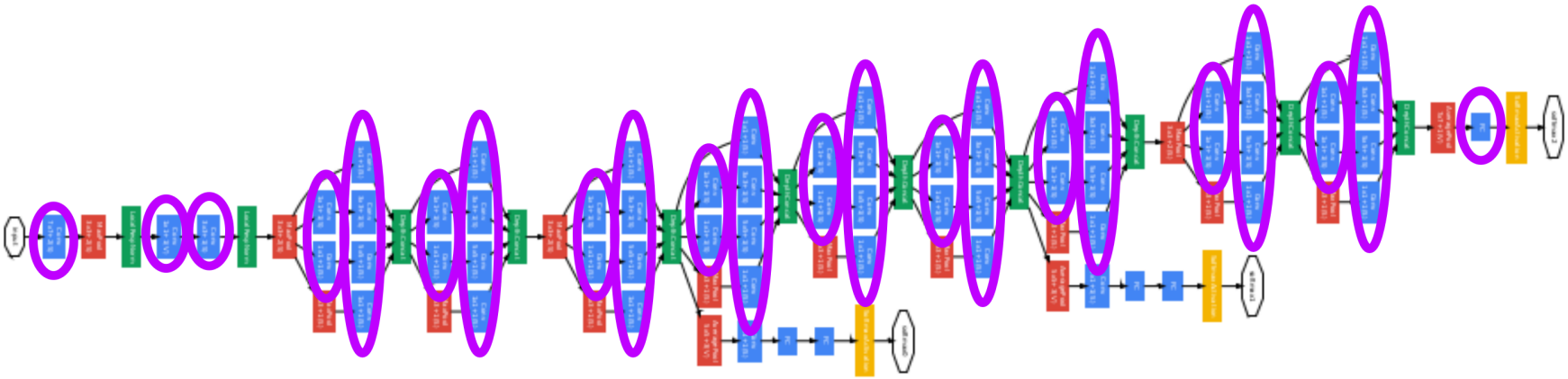

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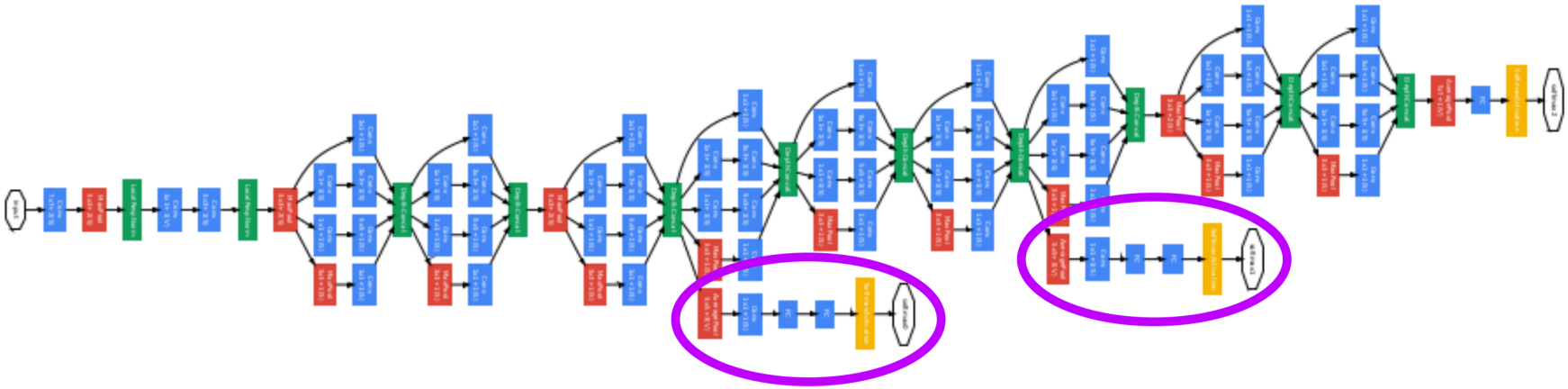

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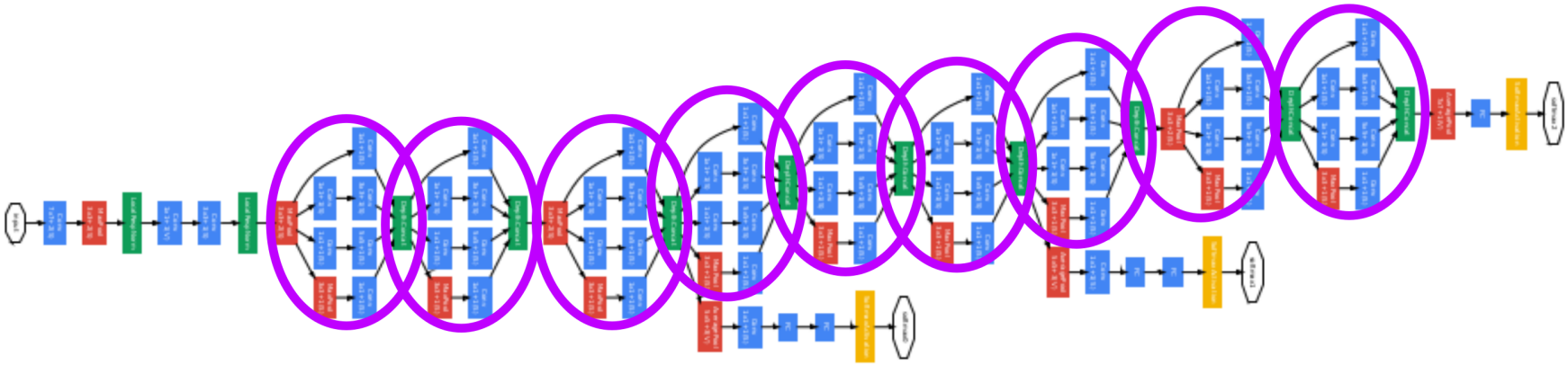

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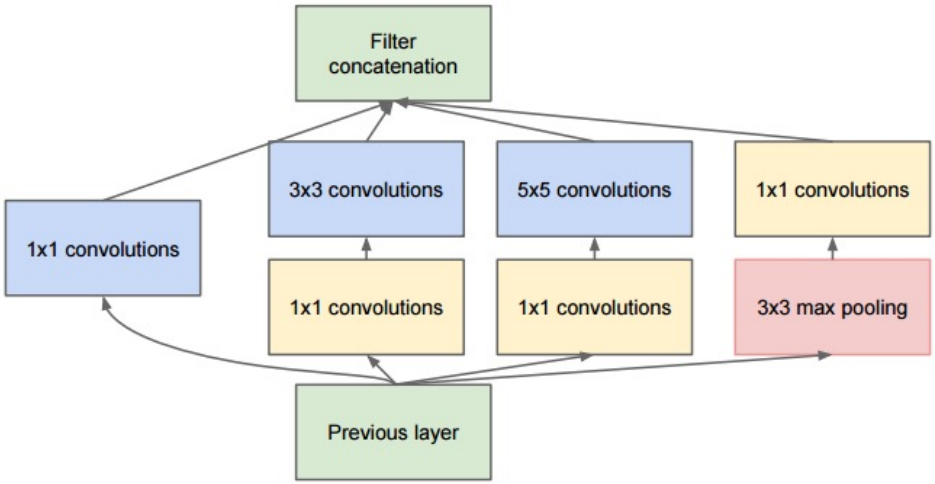


Inception Module

- Derived from NiN concept
- Parallel filter combinations (split-transform-merge strategy)
  - ➔ Network decides filter size by itself
- 1×1 filters serve as “bottleneck layer”

➔ Representational power of large and dense layers but with much lower computational complexity

Source: [14]

Bottleneck Layer

Features are correlated, redundancy can be removed by 1×1 filters

Example:

- Before: 256 input feature maps, 256 output feature maps, 3×3 convolution

➔ $256 \times 3 \times 3 \times 256 \approx 600\text{k}$ MAD

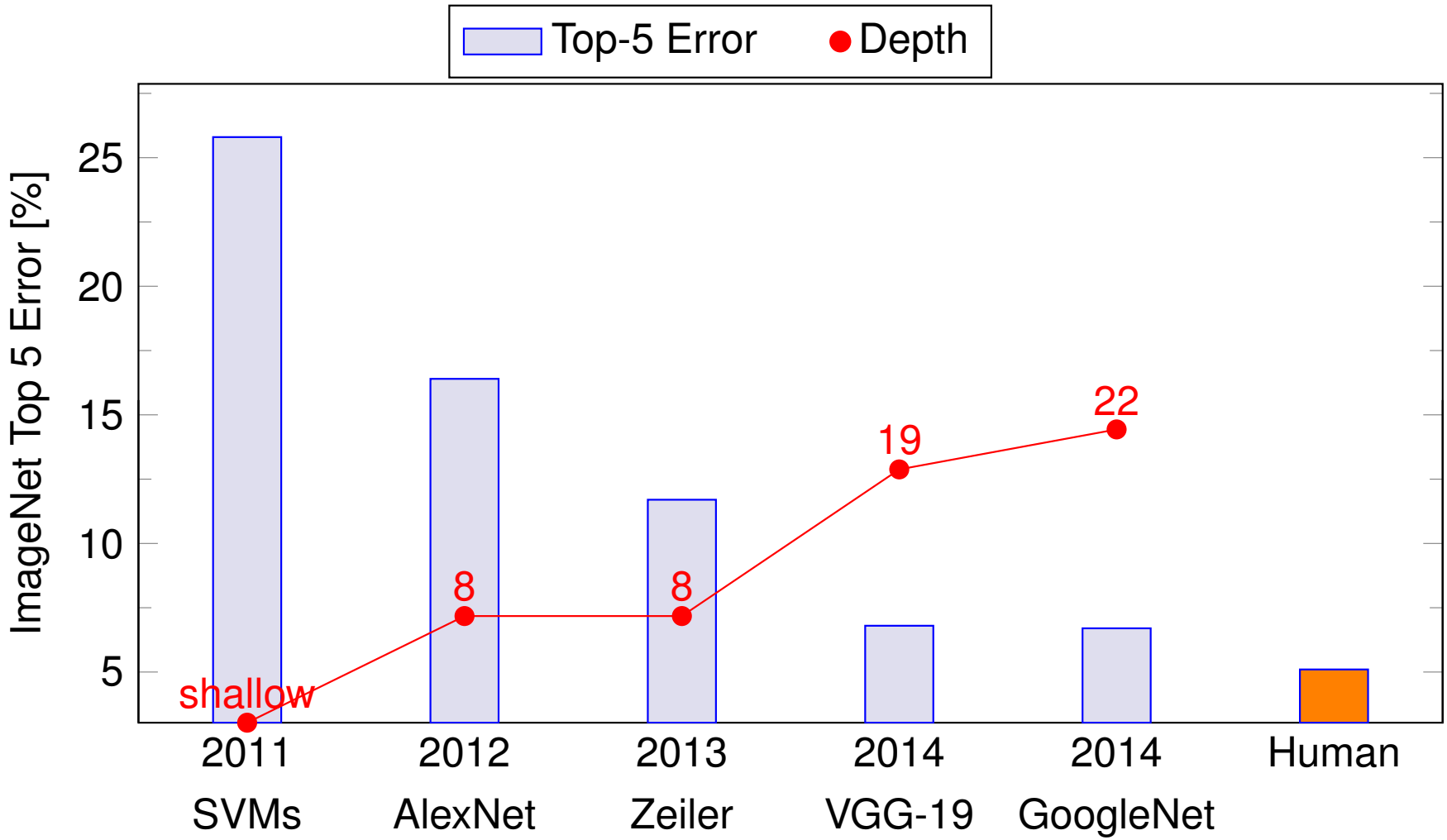
- Instead: Reduce number of feature maps that have to be convolved, e.g. 64

$$\begin{aligned} 256 \times 1 \times 1 \times 64 &\approx 16,000 \\ 64 \times 3 \times 3 \times 64 &\approx 36,000 \\ 64 \times 1 \times 1 \times 256 &\approx 16,000 \end{aligned}$$

➔ $\approx 70\text{k}$ MAD

Deeper Models

Evolution of Depth



Source: image-net.org, Russakovsky et al. 2015

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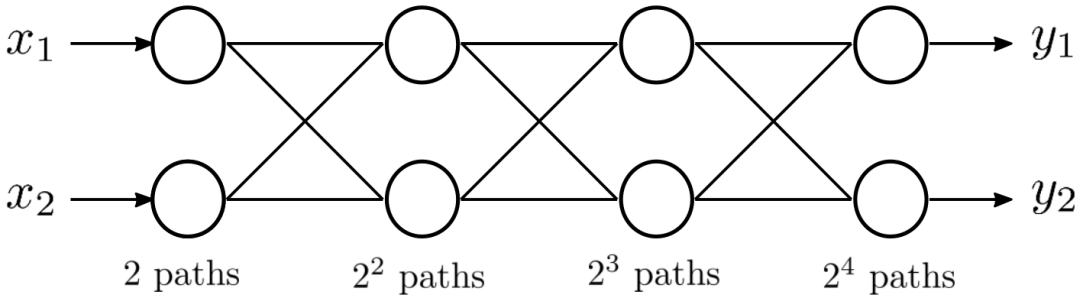

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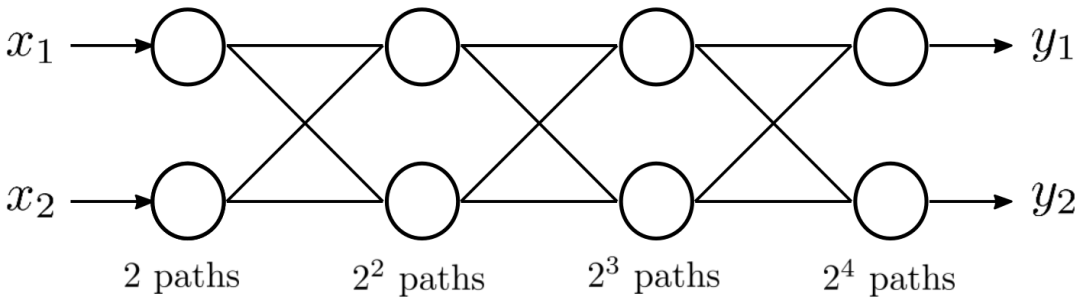
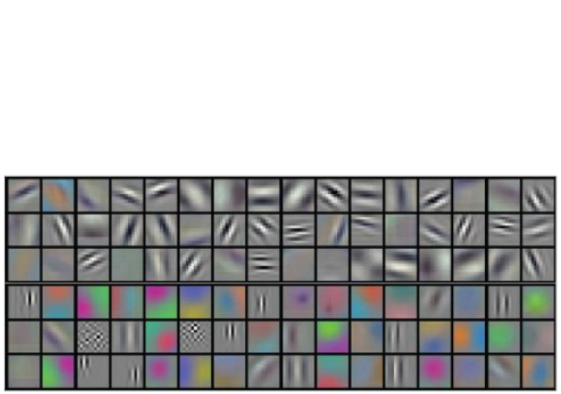
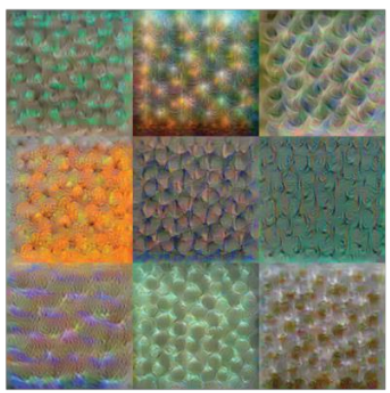


- Increasingly abstract features



Conv 1: Edge+Blob



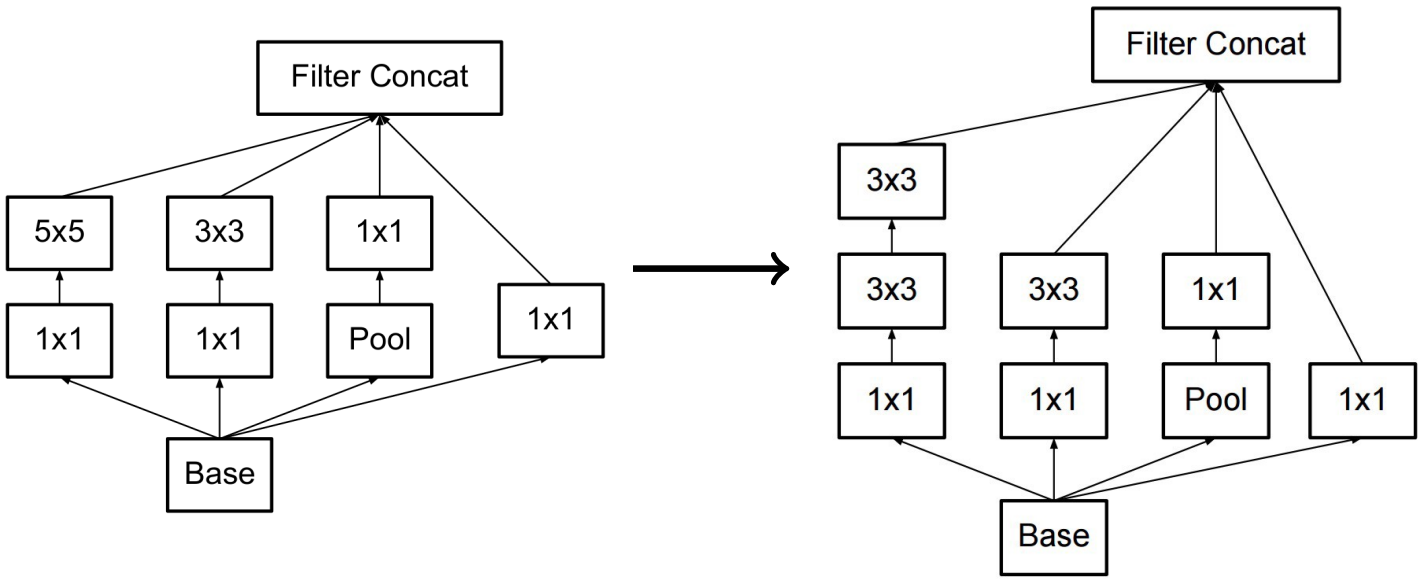
Conv 3: Texture

Conv 5: Object Parts

Fc8: Object Classes

Source: http://vision03.csail.mit.edu/cnn_art/index.html

Inception-v2 [15]



Key features

- Change basic inception layer: Replace 7×7 and 5×5 filters by multiple 3×3 convolutions.

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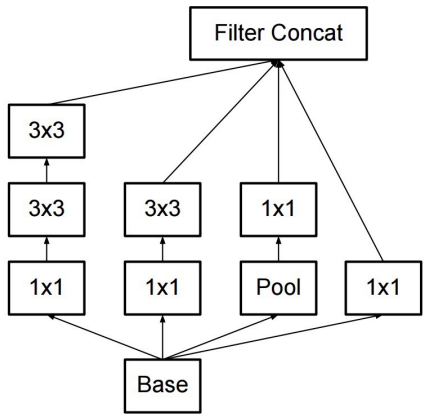

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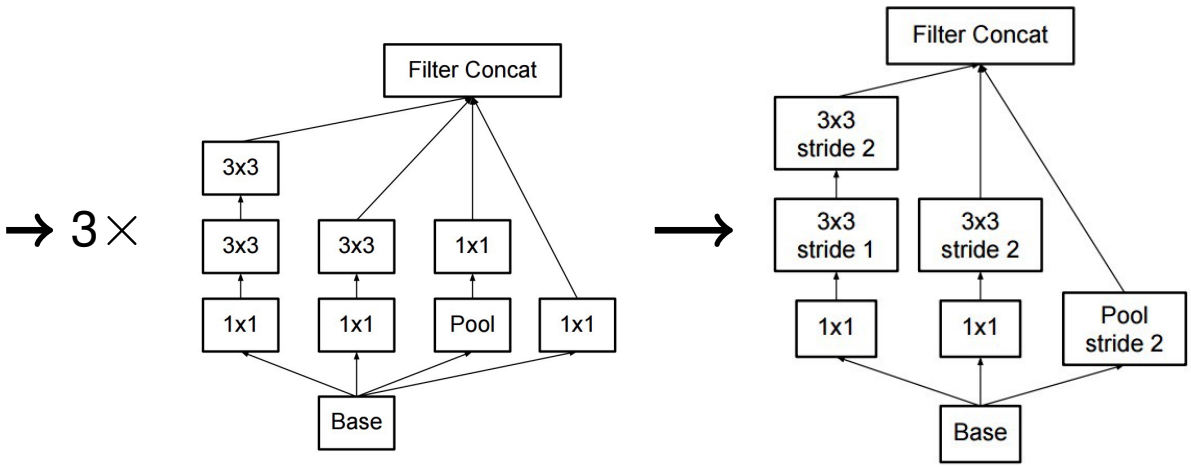

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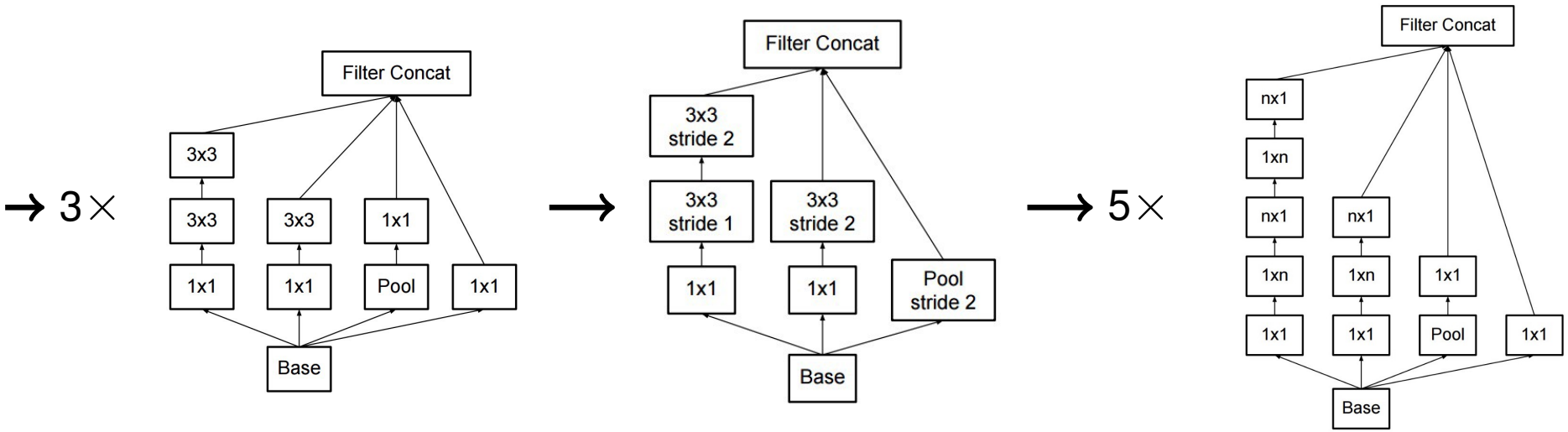

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- 5 modules of flattened convolutions ($n = 7$)
- Efficient grid size reduction + average pooling + softmax

Source: [15]

Inception-v3 [15]

Inception-v2 +

- RMSProp
- Bach-normalization also in the FC layers of auxiliary classifiers
- Label-smoothing regularization

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Label-smoothing [8]

Exchange label distribution with

$$q'(k|x) = (1 - \epsilon)\delta_{k,y} + \epsilon u(k)$$

where authors chose: $u(k) = 1/K$, $\epsilon = 0.1$

\+ Prevent hard probabilities without discouraging correct classification.

Problems with going deeper

... why not just stack more layers?

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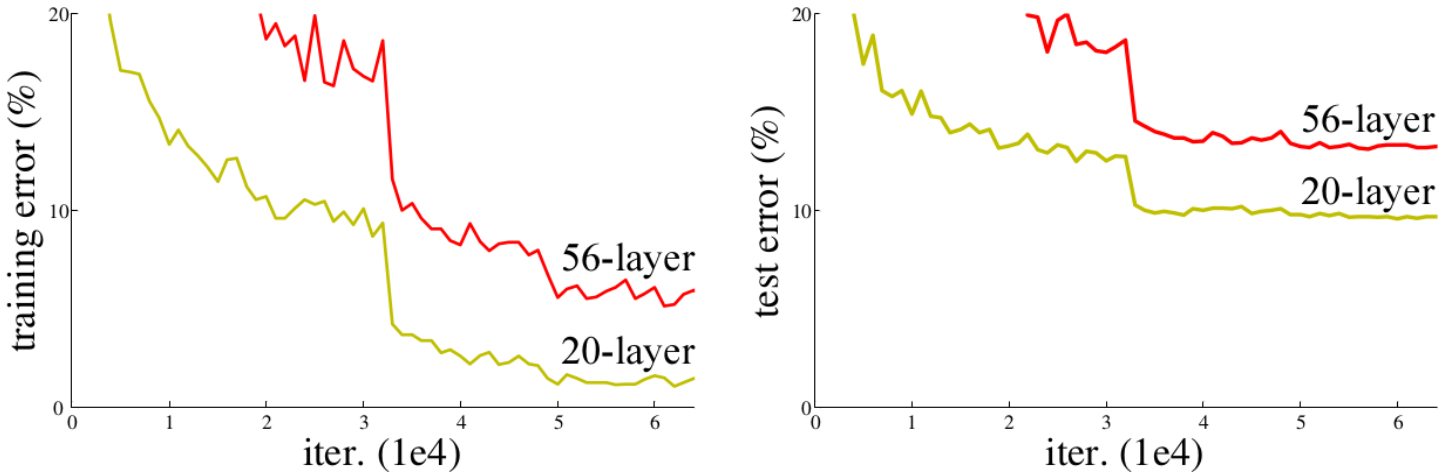

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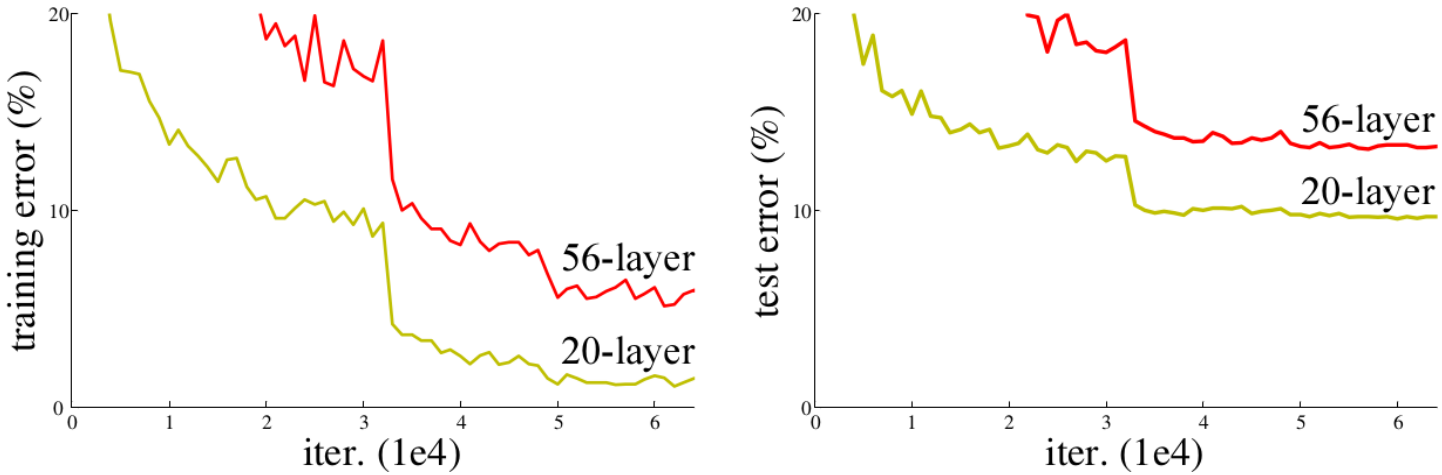

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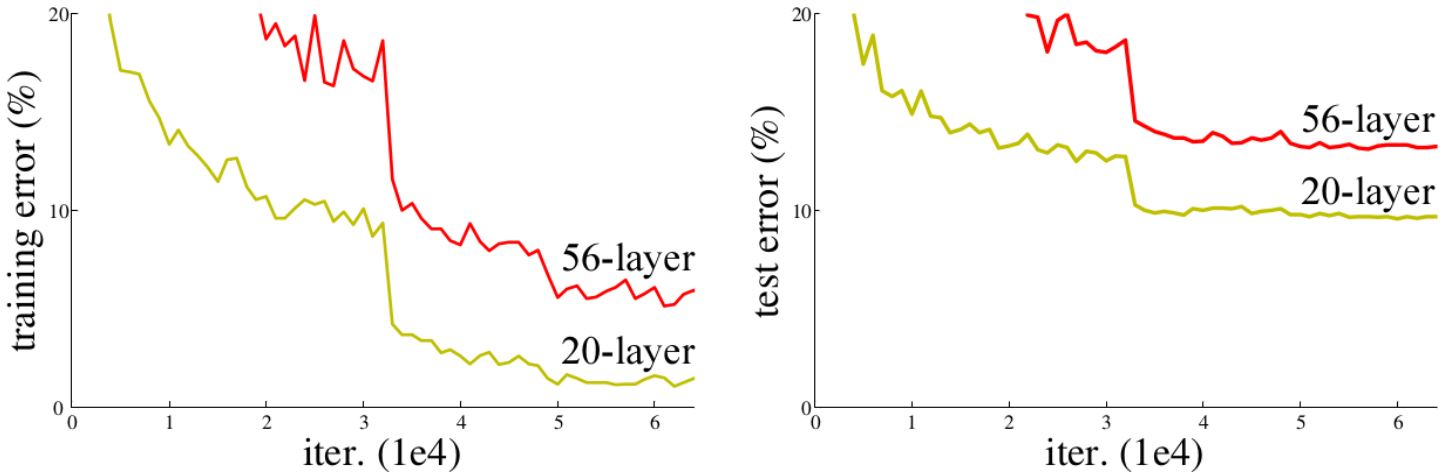

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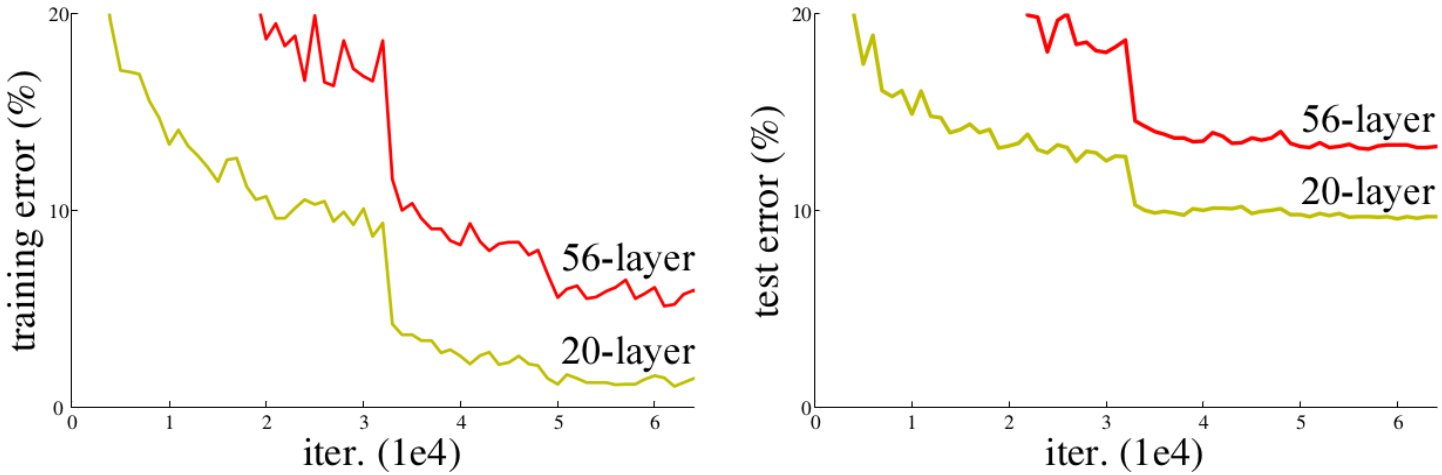

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- Degradation problem: poor propagation of activations and gradients

Source: [2]

(One) Solution: Residual Units

Residual Units [2], [3]

Idea: Simplify “identity solution”

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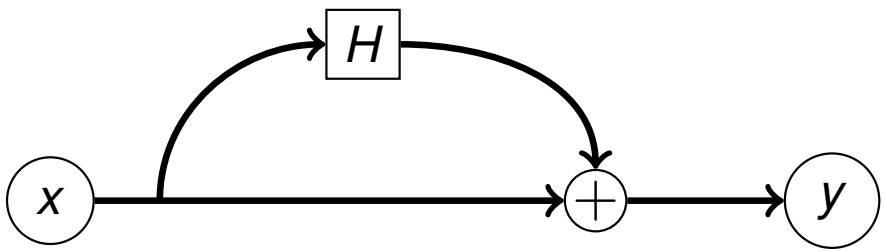
- Instead: learn residual mapping:

$$H(x) = F(x) - x \Leftrightarrow F(x) = H(x) + x$$



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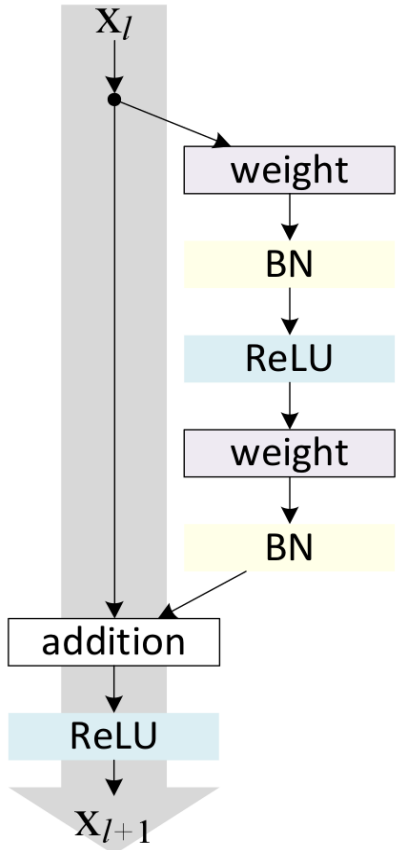

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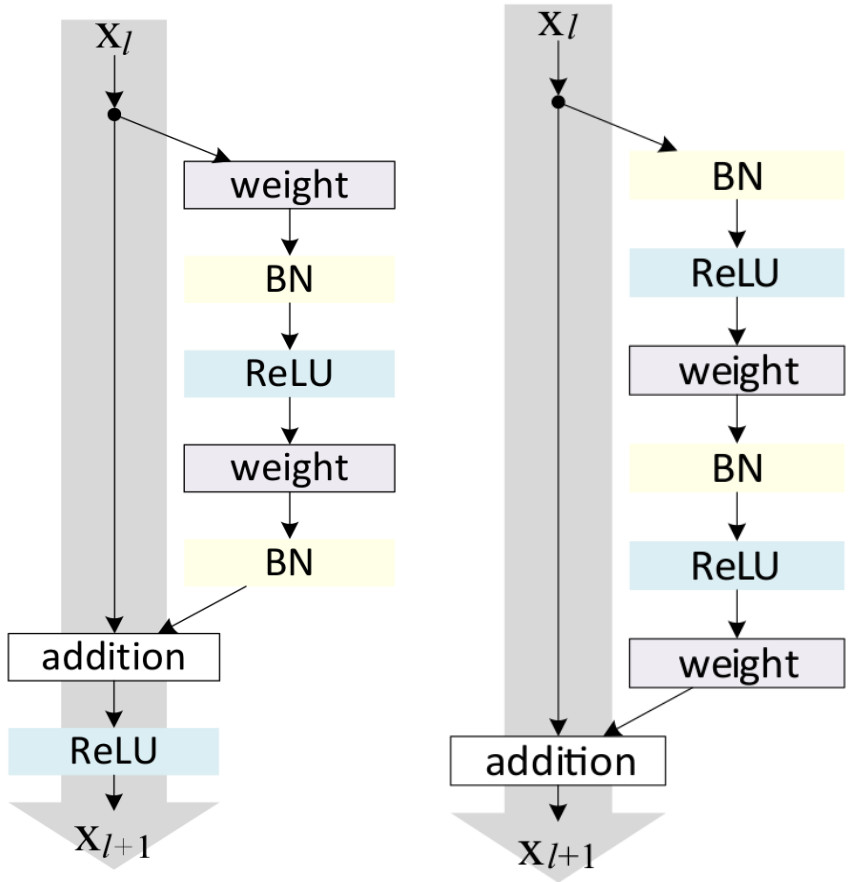

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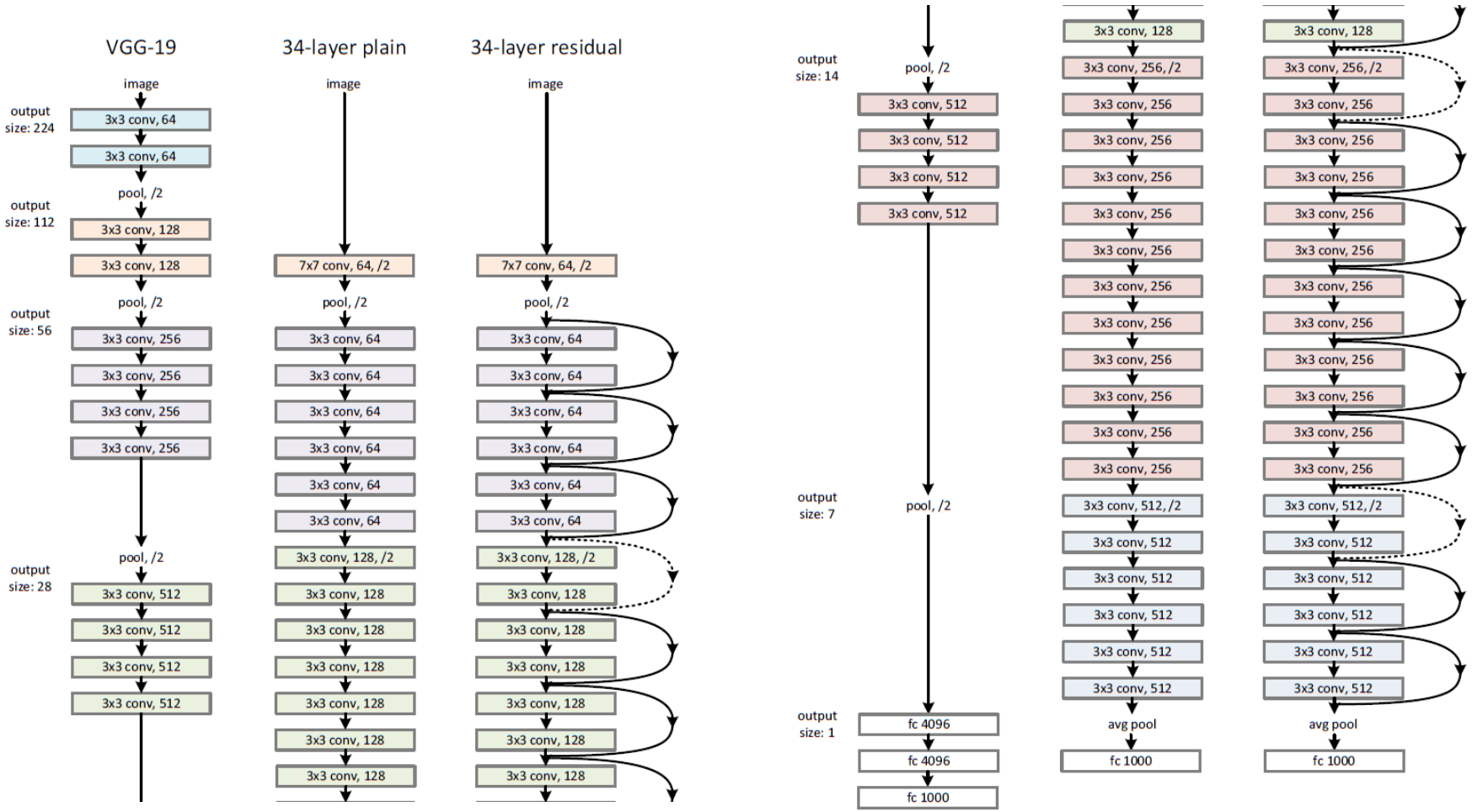

VGG: 19.6 billion FLOPs, Plain / ResNet: 3.6 billion FLOPs

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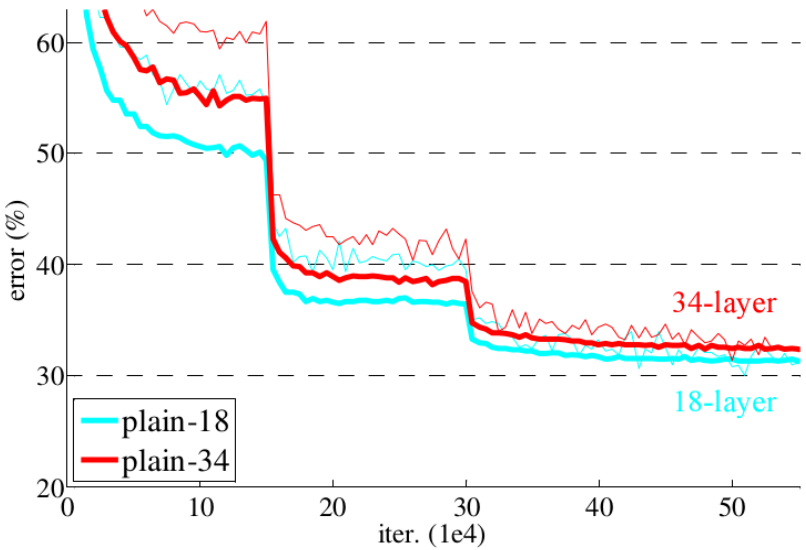
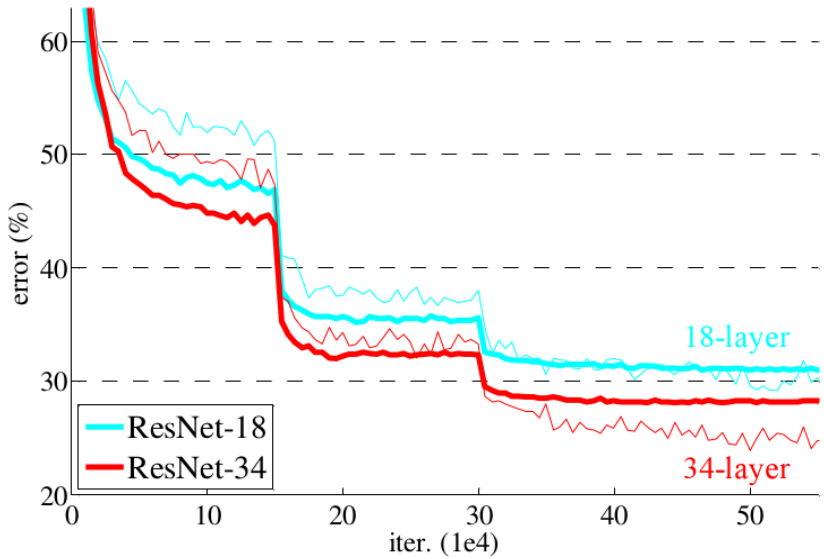


Plain networks



Residual networks

➔ Training / validation error of deeper nets is now lower!

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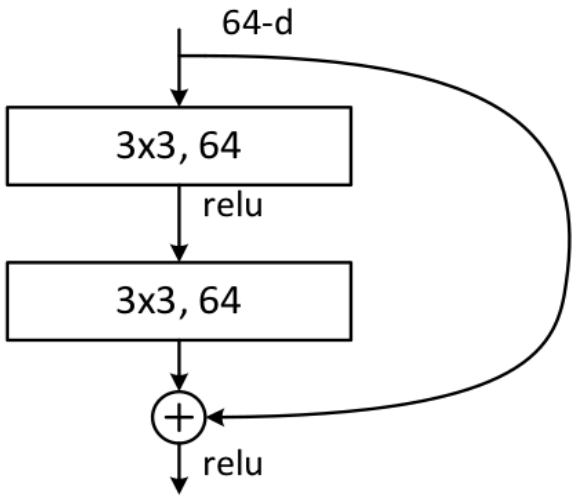
Bottleneck Residual Block



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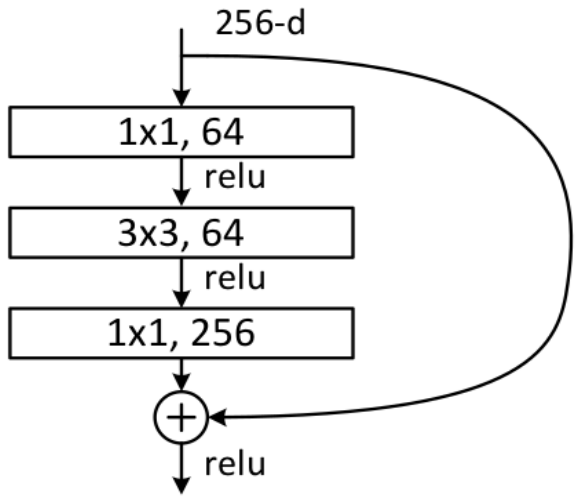

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- Bottleneck building block:
  For deeper networks and larger input image sizes

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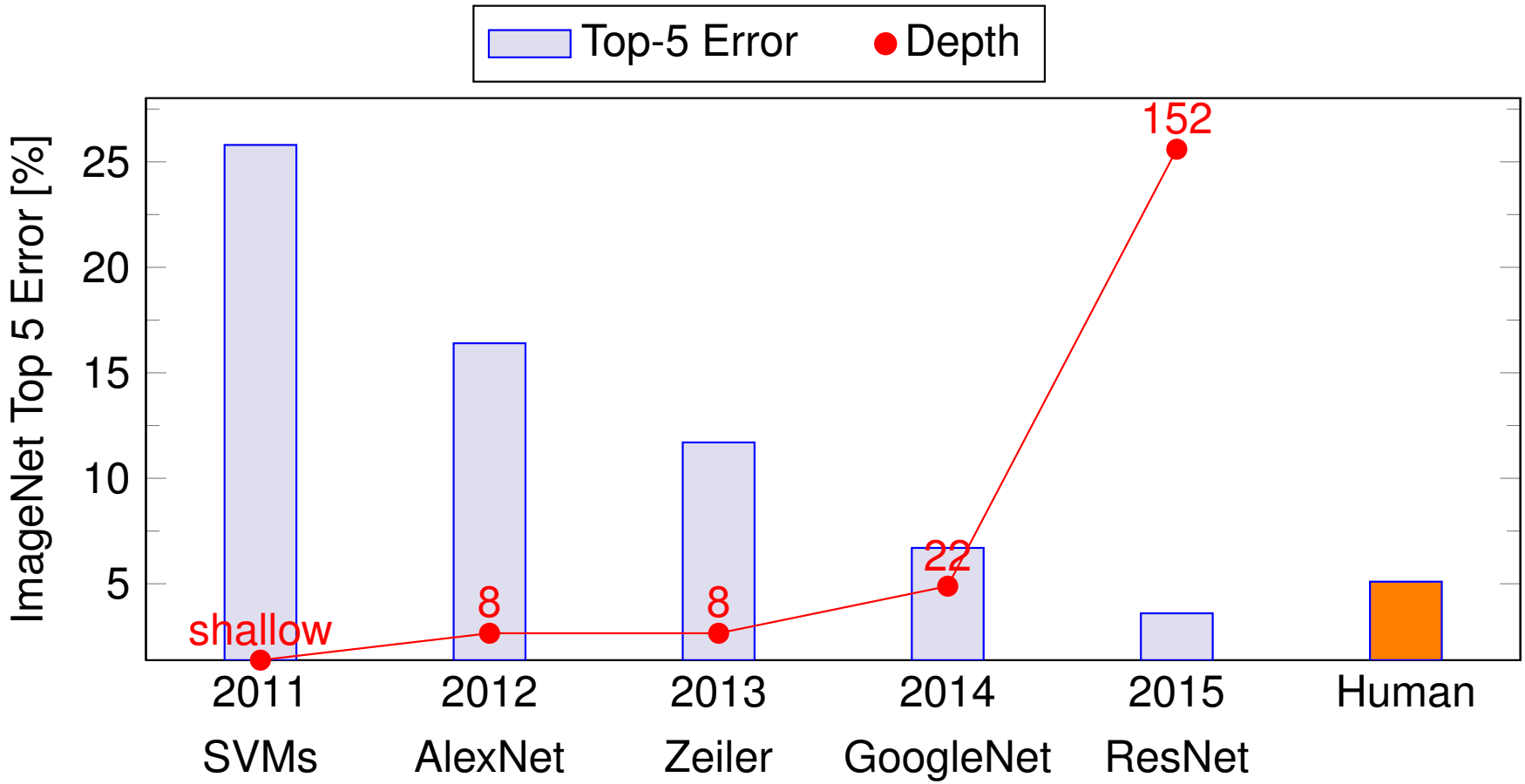

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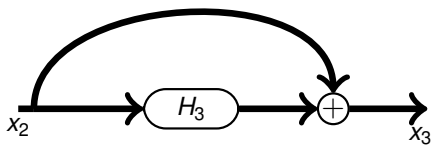

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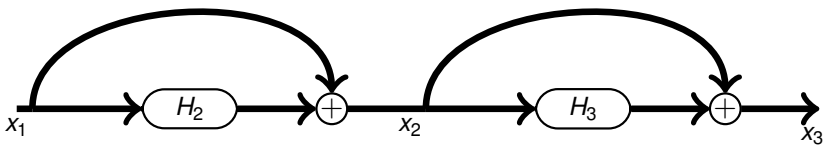

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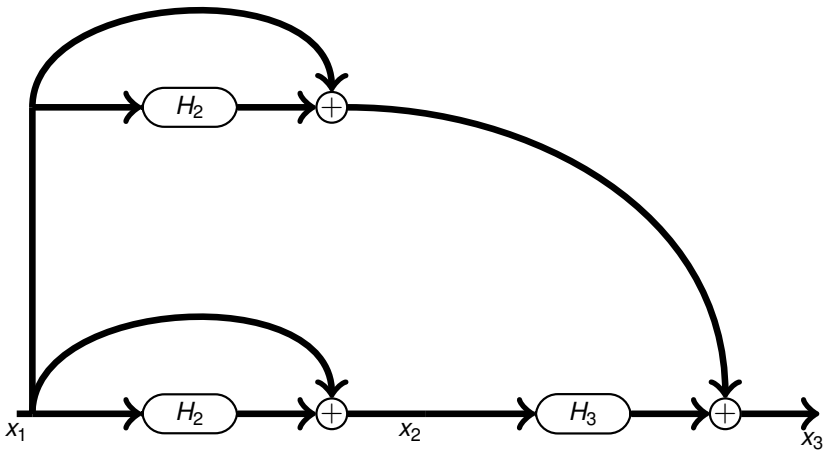

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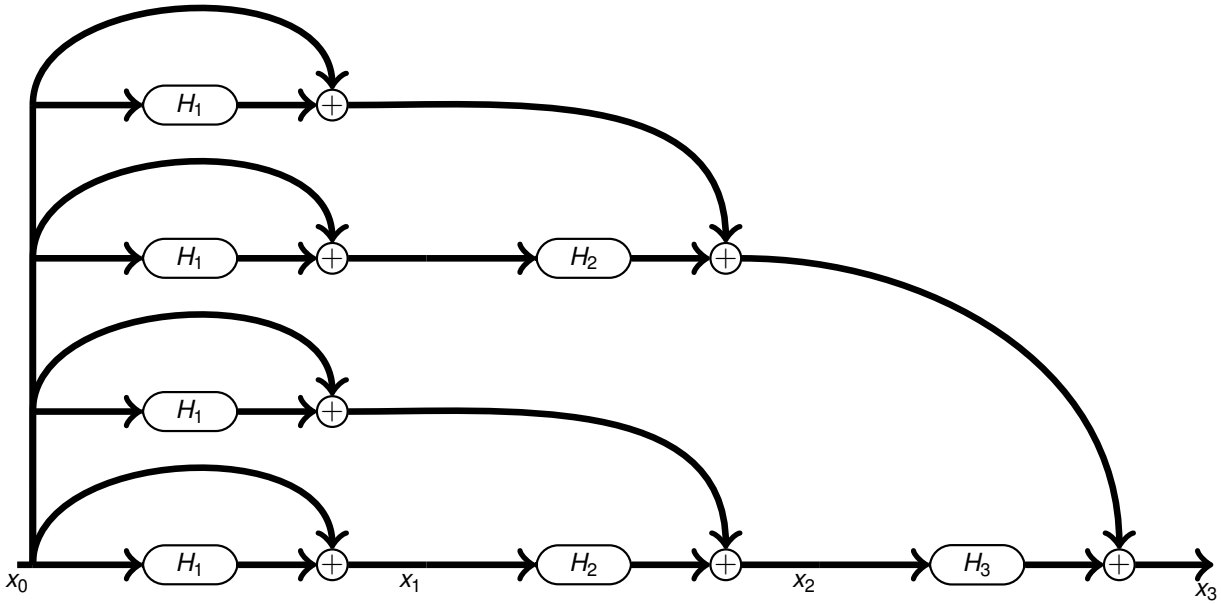

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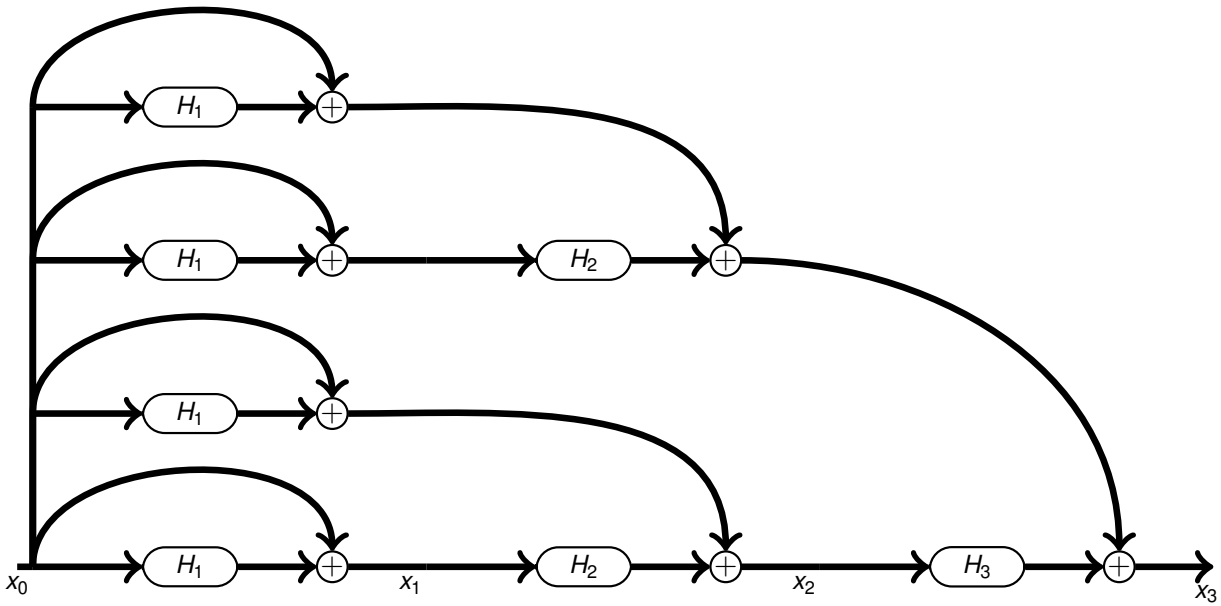


ResNets behave like ensemble of shallow networks

➔ Implicitly average exponentially many networks

Classical Feed-forward Network vs. Residual Networks

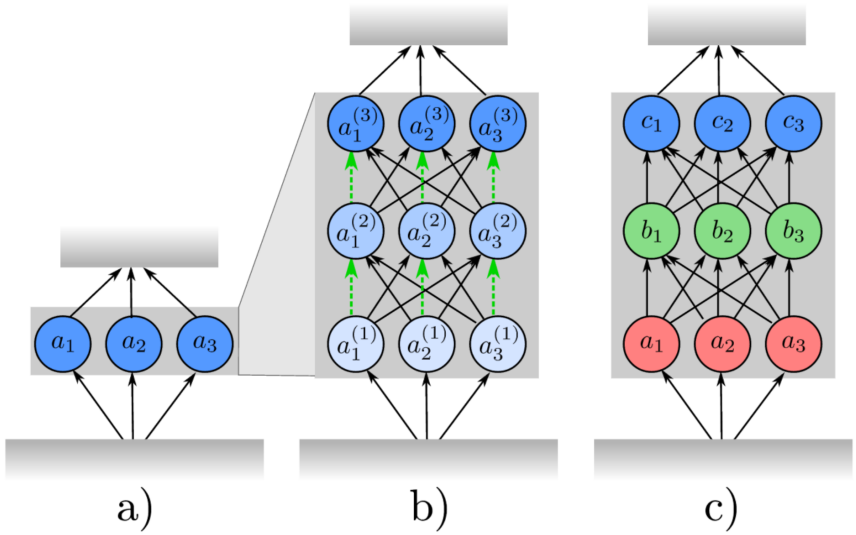
Classical feed-forward network:

- At layer level: one single path
- At neuron level: many different paths of **same** length (= exponential in #layers)

Residual networks:

- At layer level: 2^n paths
- At neuron layer: many different paths of **varying** length going through different subsets of layers.

The Representation View [1]



(a) Single layer: direct computation
(b) Residual Network: unrolled iterative estimation
(c) Classic network: produces new representation at each layer

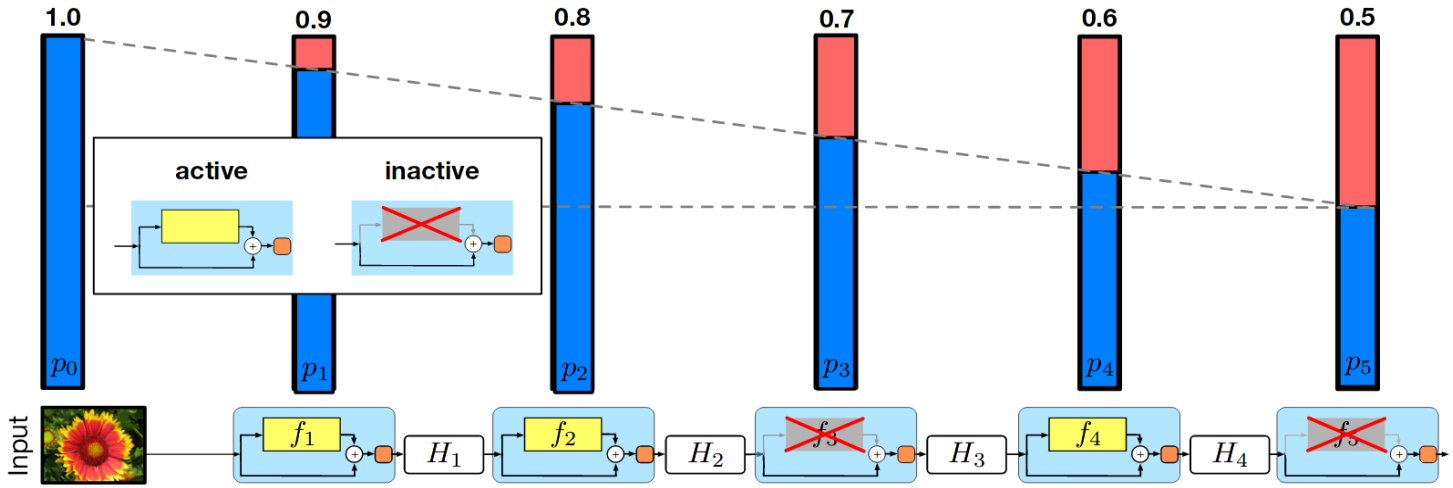
- Residual blocks do not compute entirely new representations
- They instead iteratively refine their input representations

➔ Residual networks allow removal of connections without significant drop in perfomance

➔ This can even be exploited: stochastic depth

Source: [1]

Deep Networks with Stochastic Depth [5]



- Stochastic depth: layer-wise dropout, i.e., drop random layers and bypass with identity

$\rightarrow$ Ensemble of exponentially many small networks

- Network are short during training $\rightarrow$ decreased training time
- 1200 layers trainable (CIFAR-10 Error: 4.91%)

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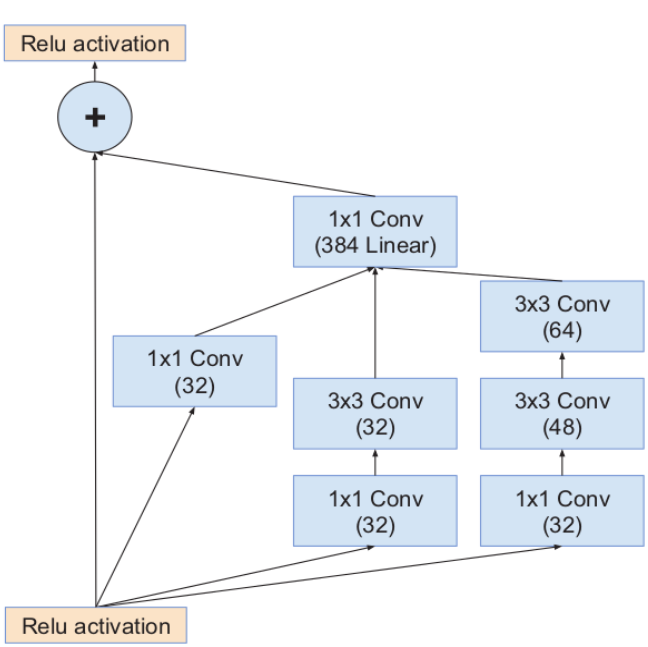
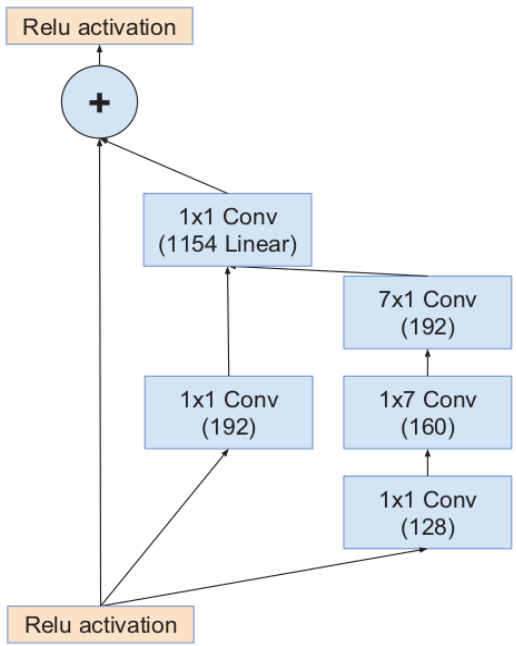
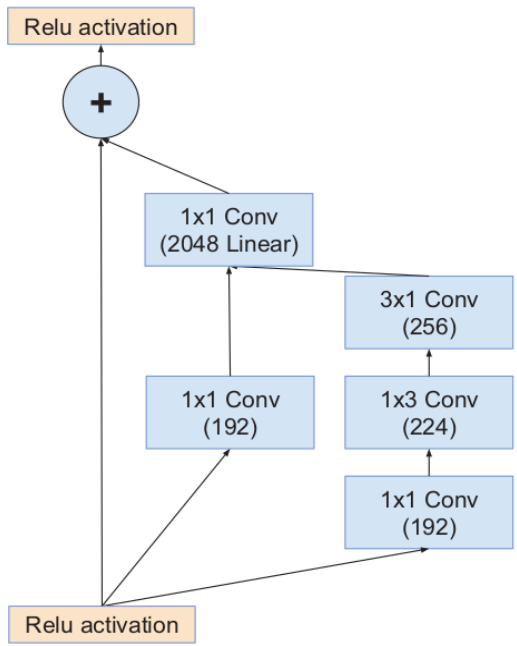
The rise of residual connections

Inception-ResNet [16]





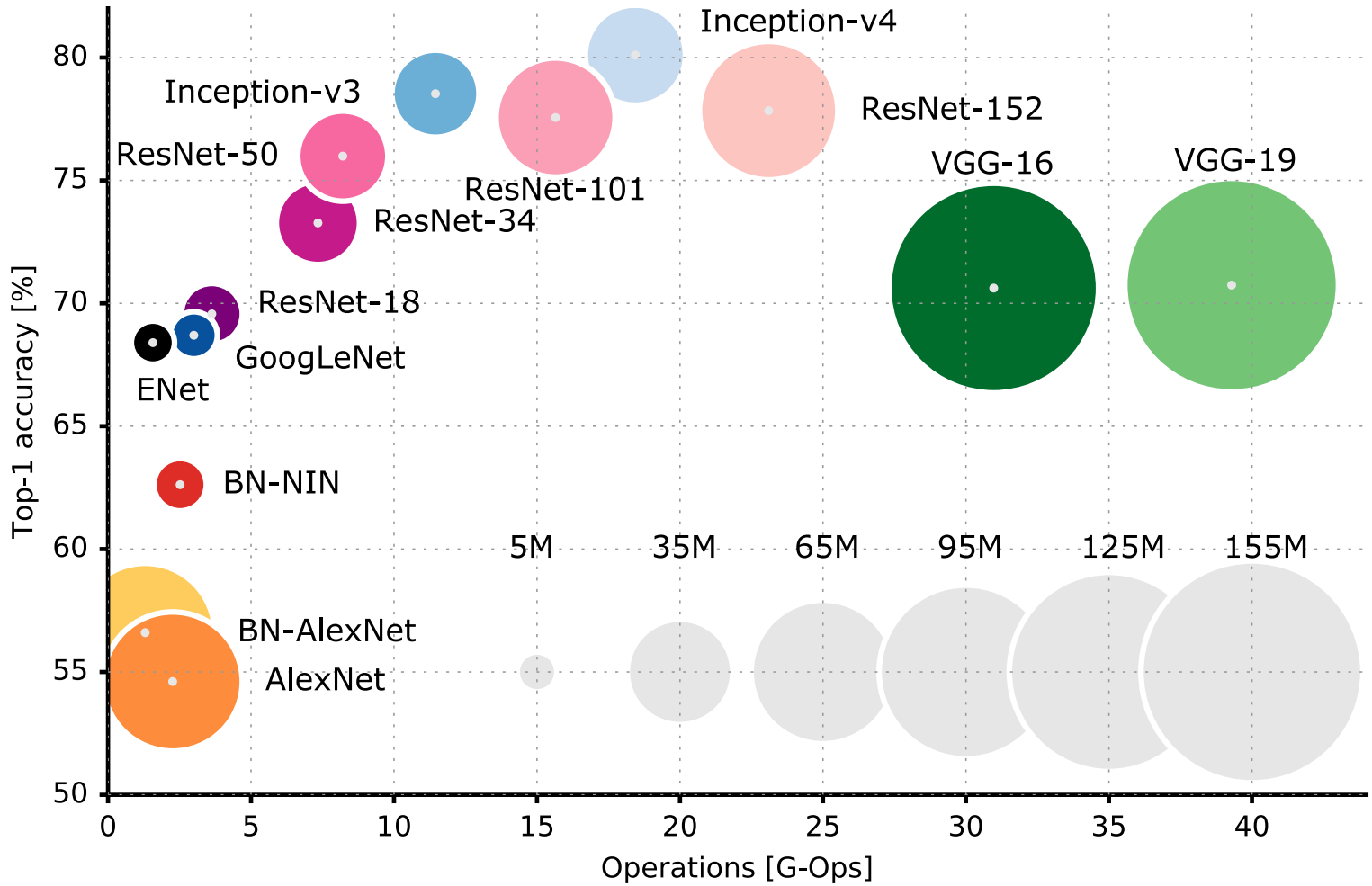


- Combination of inception architecture and residual connections

➔ Faster convergence and better performance than without residual connections

Source: [16]

Top1 vs. Operations



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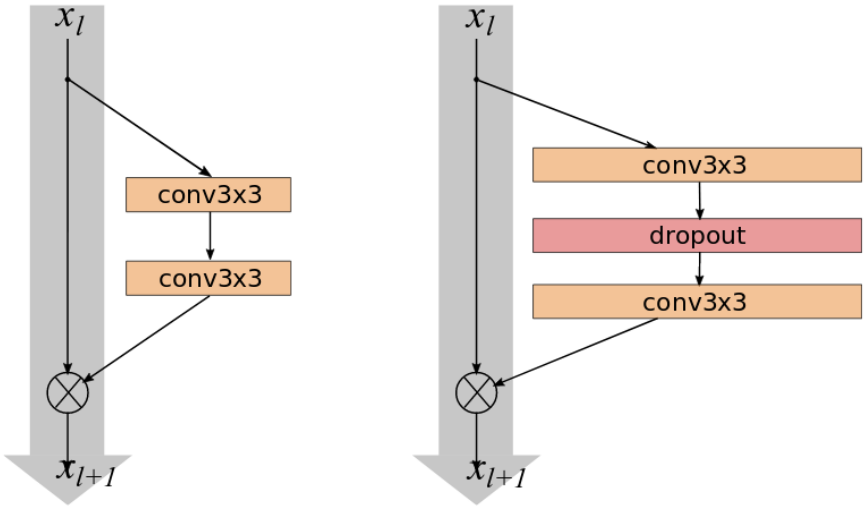
Wide Residual Networks [20]



Key features

- Decrease depth, increase width of ResNet blocks
- Use dropout in residual block

➔ 16 layer deep network w. similar #params outperforms 1000 layer deep network

➔ Power not from depth but from residual connections

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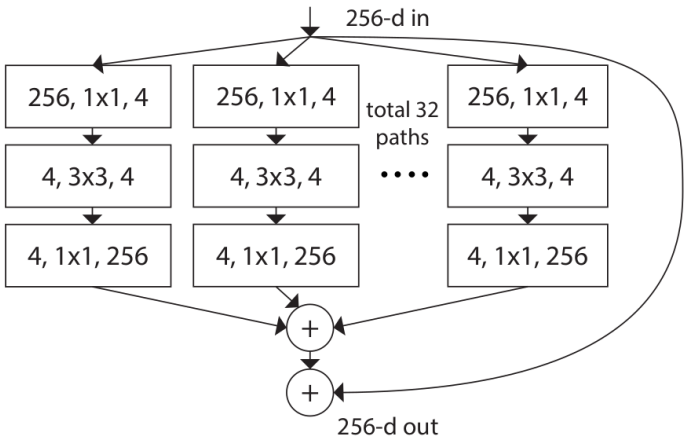

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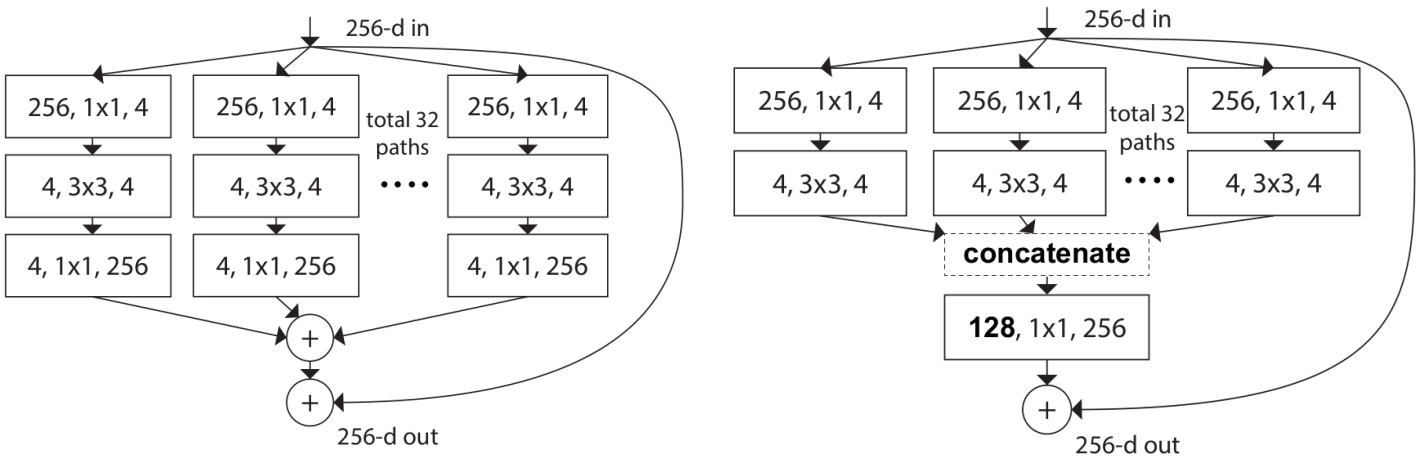

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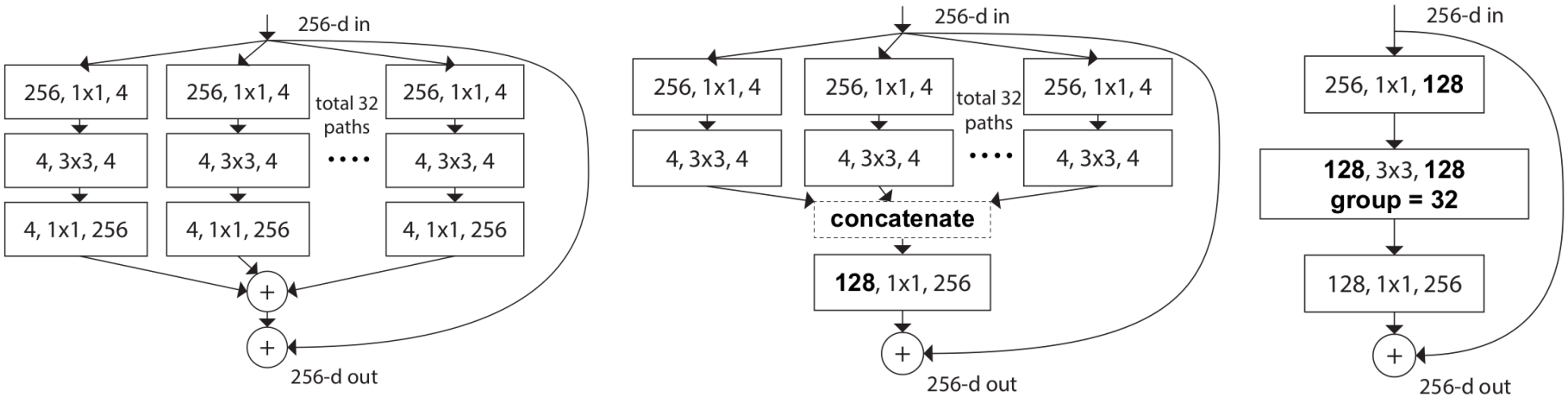

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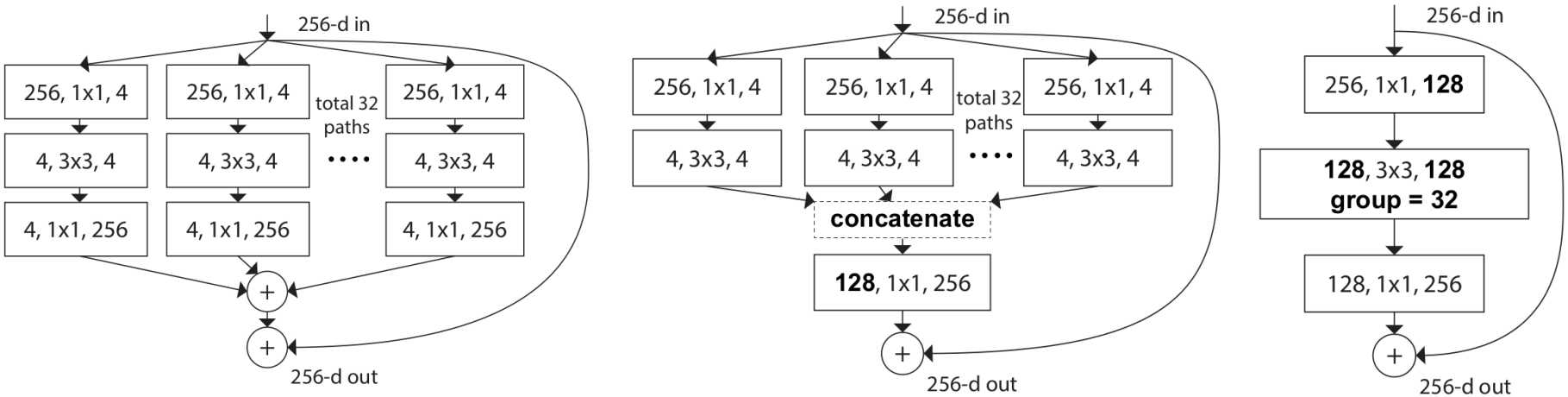

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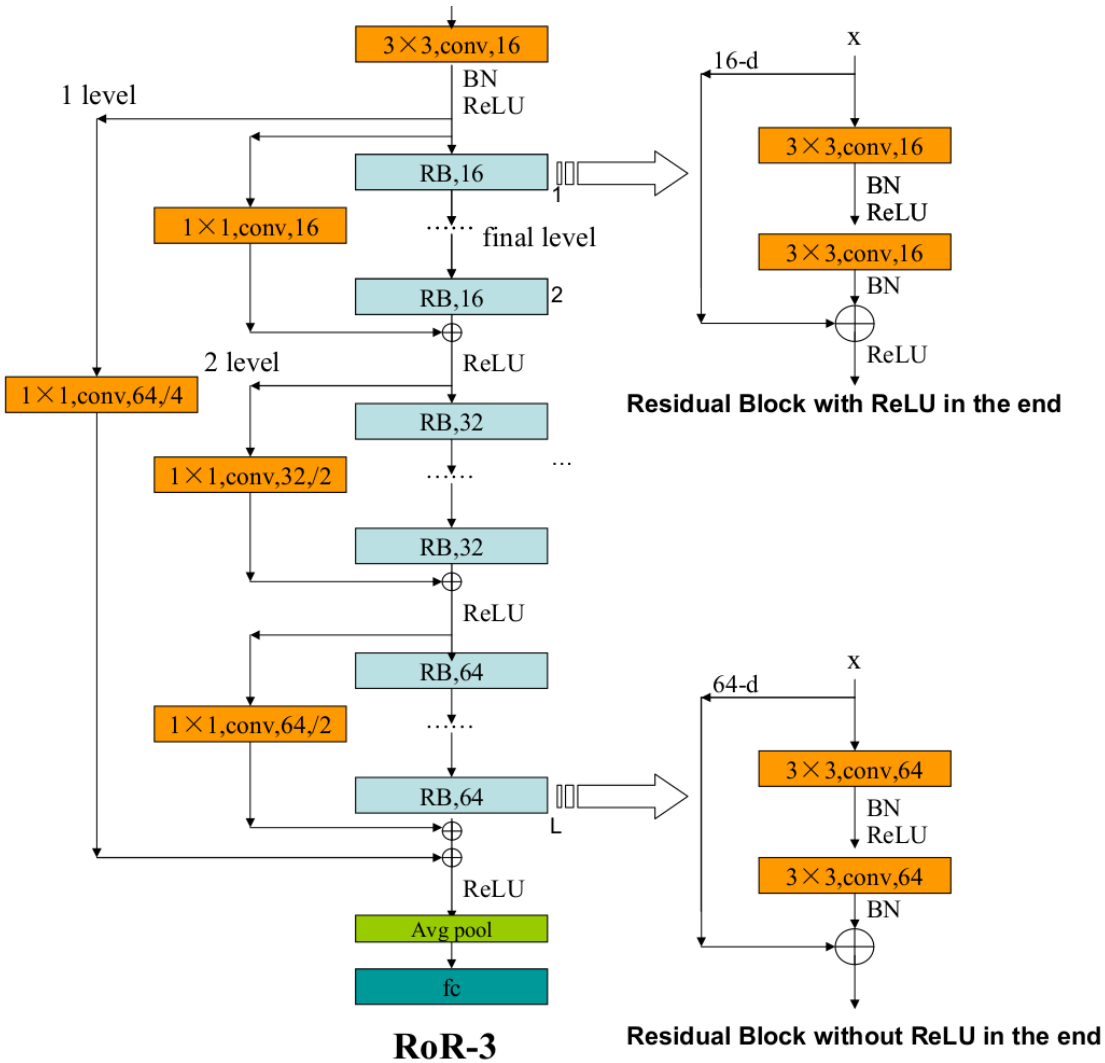

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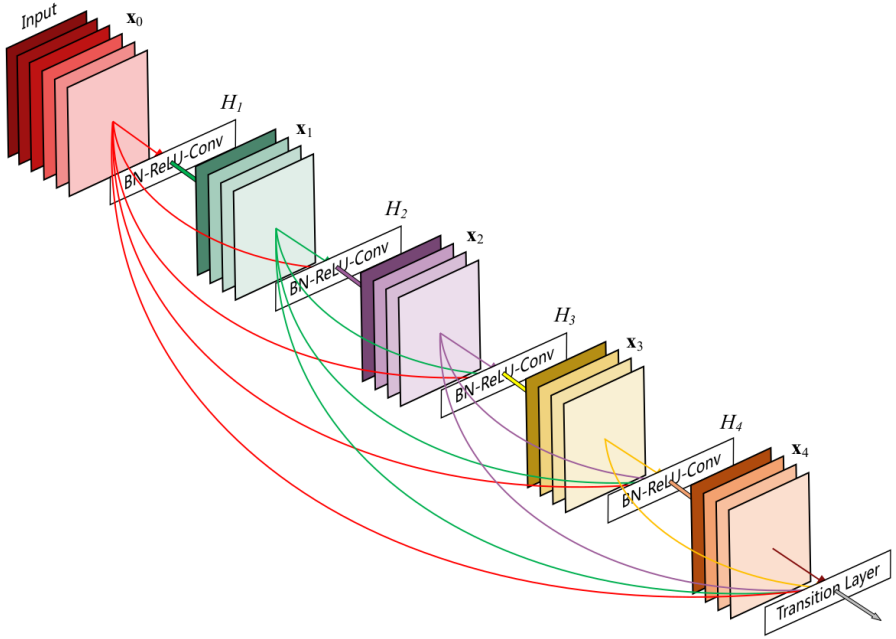
DenseNets: Densely Connected Convolutional Networks [6]



- Layer input: feature-maps of all preceding layers

➔ Feature propagation, feature reuse

➔ Alleviates the vanishing-gradient problem

- Up to 264 Layers – needs actually $\approx 1/3$ less params for same performance than ResNet due to transition layers using 1×1 convolutions

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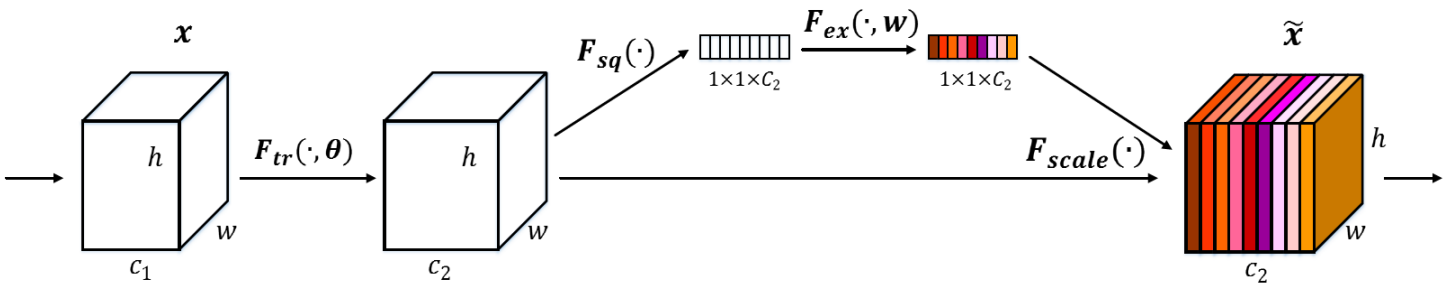

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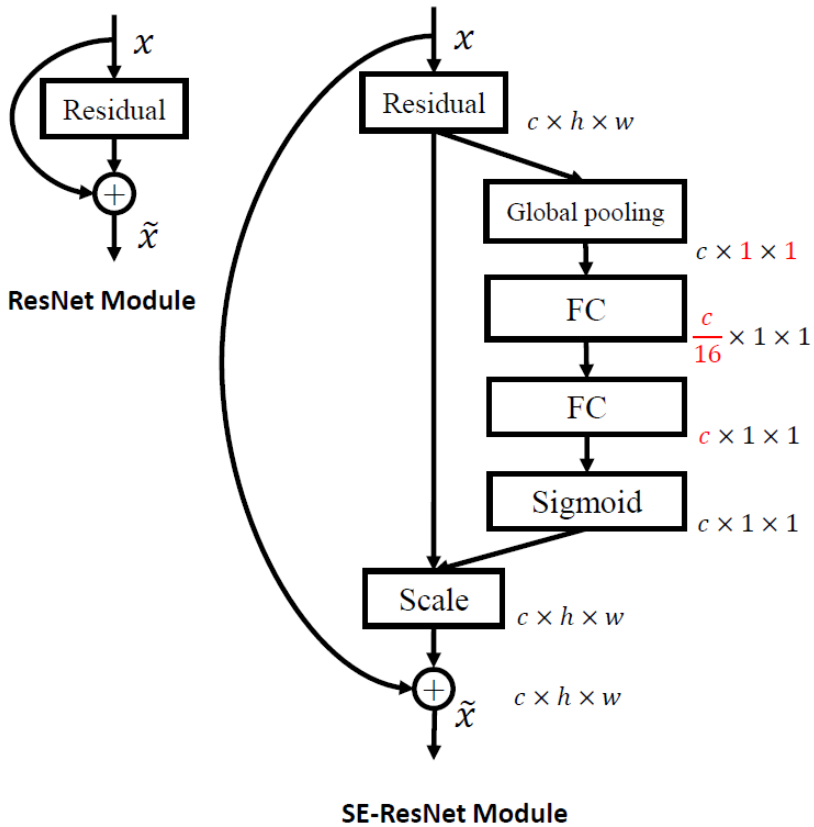

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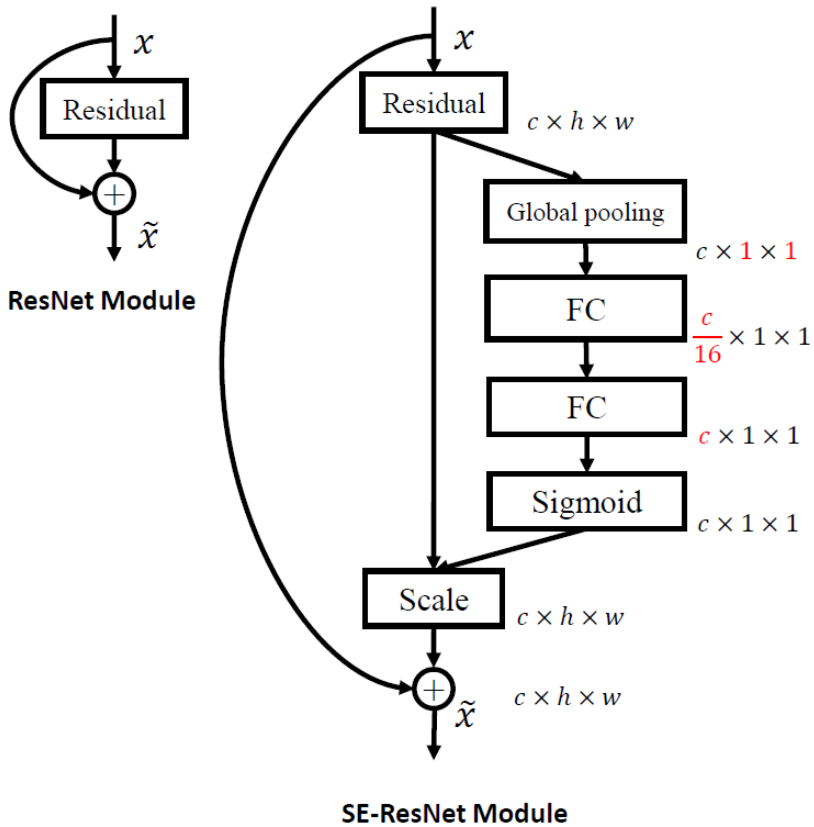

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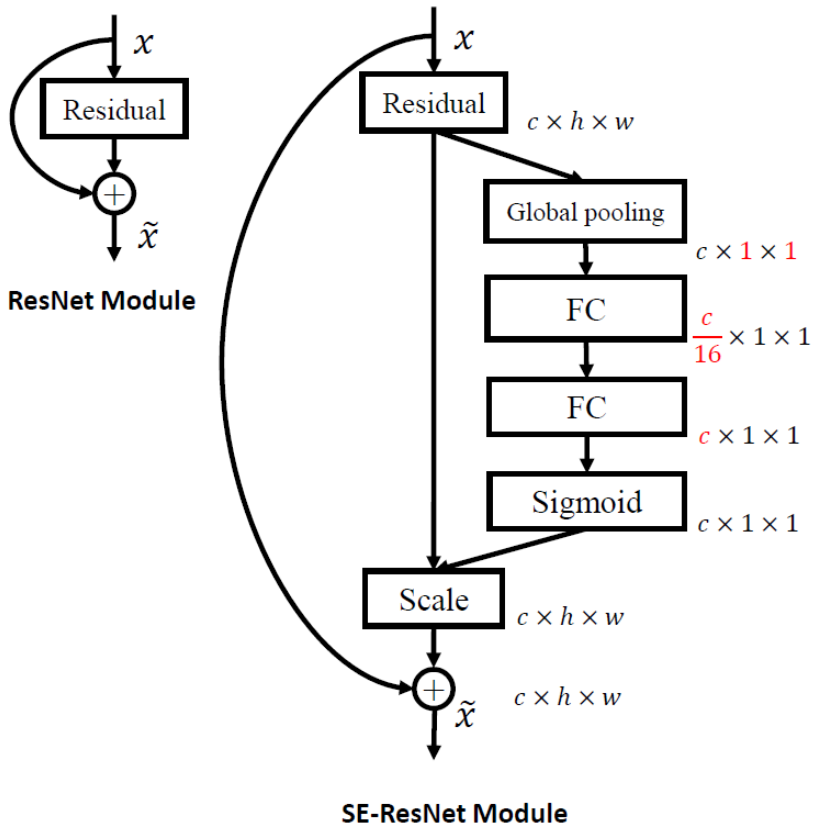

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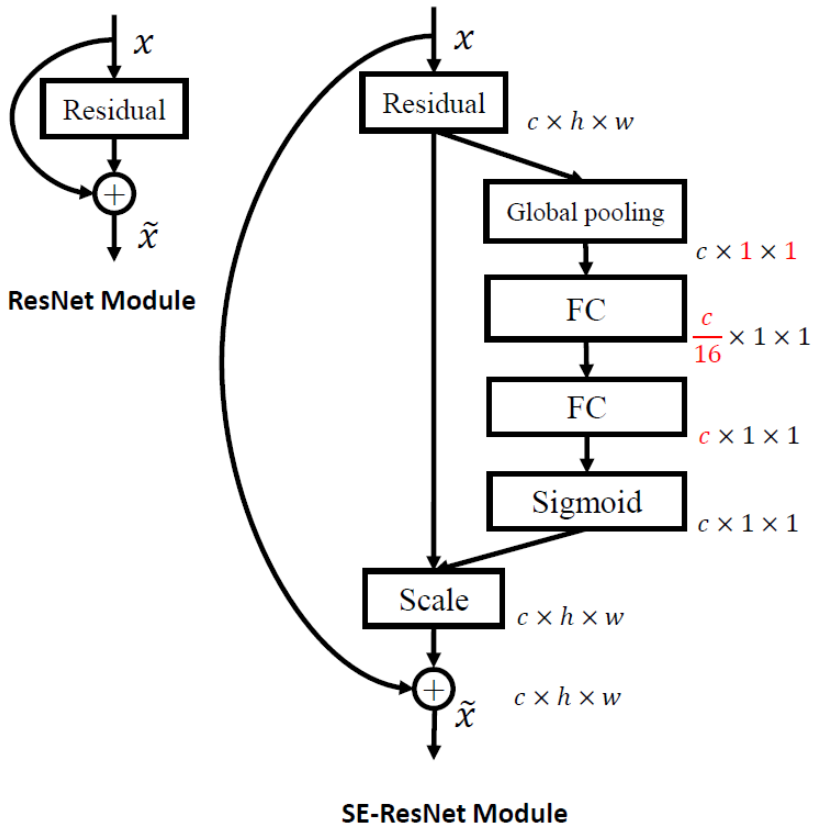

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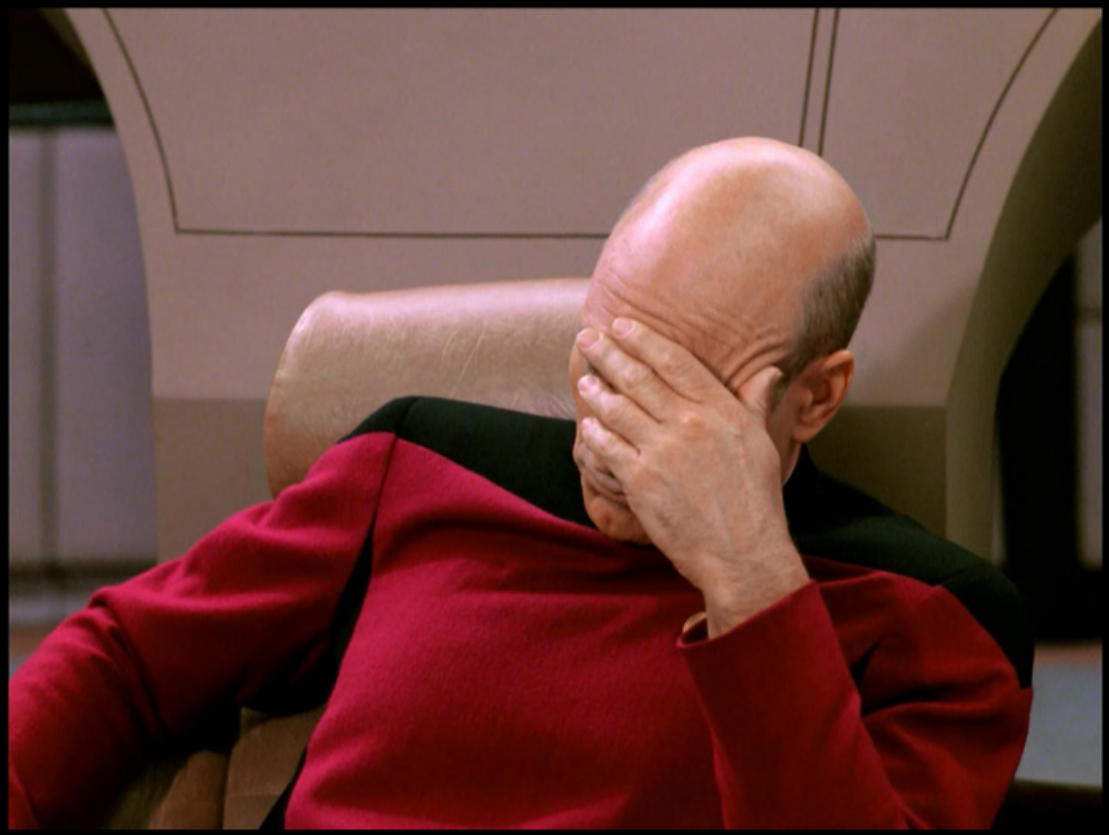

NOT ANOTHER ARCHITECTURE

Learning Architectures

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Goal: Self-developing network structures

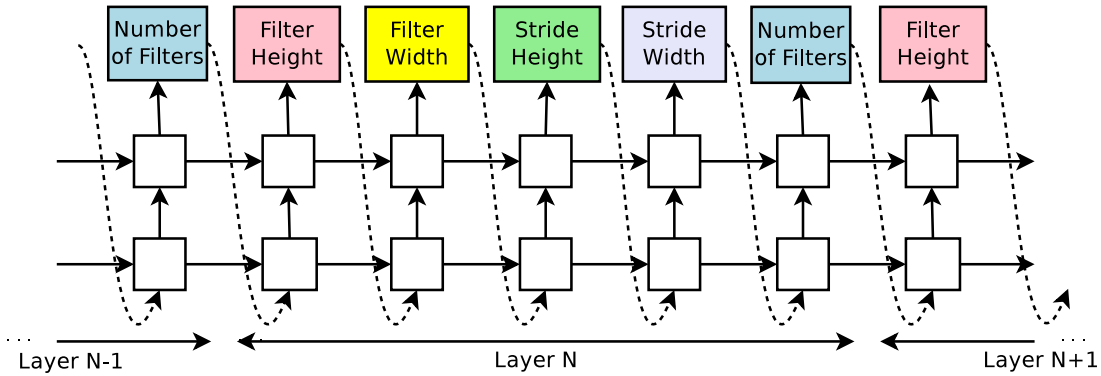
Optimized with respect to

- Accuracy
- FLOPs

Possible option: Grid-search typically too time-consuming

Learning Architectures

With reinforcement learning [22]



- Recurrent neural network (RNN) to generate model descriptions of networks
- Train RNN with reinforcement learning to maximize expected accuracy

Other options

- Reinforcement learning for small building blocks transferred to large CNNs
- Genetic algorithms
- Energy-based
- ...

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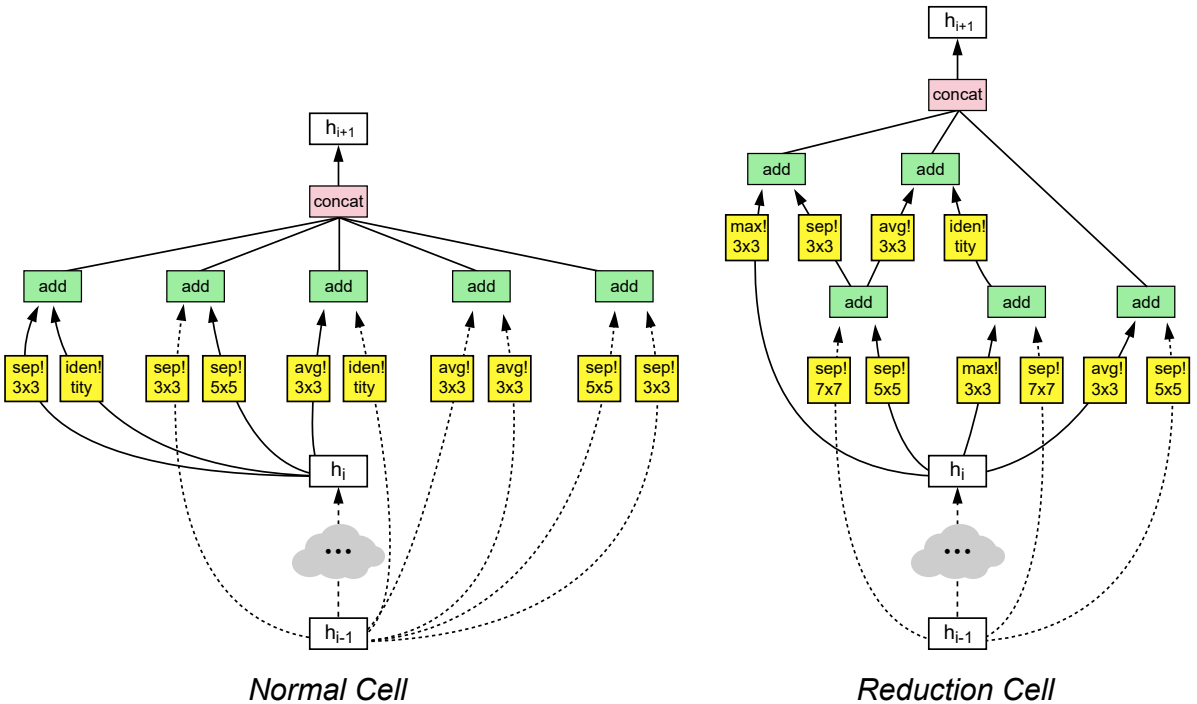
What do the learned architectures look like?



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NASNet-A

- Performance for ImageNet on par with SENets, with lower computational costs
- Optimization of networks of different size, e.g., for mobile platforms

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- **Examples**: MS COCO (http://cocodataset.org), Visual Genome Dataset (https://visualgenome.org/)
- Additional research directions: Speed and size of networks on mobile platforms

Conclusion

Summary

- 1×1 filters to reduce parameters and add regularization
- Inception layers
- Residual connections
- New architectures can be learned

Rise of deeper models (from 5 layers to more than 1000)

However

- Often a smaller net is sufficient
- Dependent on amount of training data
- Deep vs. wide layers

NEXT TIME

ON DEEP LEARNING

Coming Up

- Recurrent neural networks
- (Truncated) Backpropagation through time
- Long short-term memory
- Gated recurrent unit

Comprehensive Questions

- What are the advantages of deeper models in comparison to shallow networks?
- Why can we say that residual networks learn an ensemble of shallow networks?
- How does a bottleneck layer work?
- What is the standard inception module and how can it be improved?

Further Reading

- Current state of the art networks:
  - Dual Path Networks
    http://papers.nips.cc/paper/7033-dual-path-networks,
  - Squeeze-and-Excitation Networks https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.01507
- Some interesting state-of-the-art works can be found here:
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