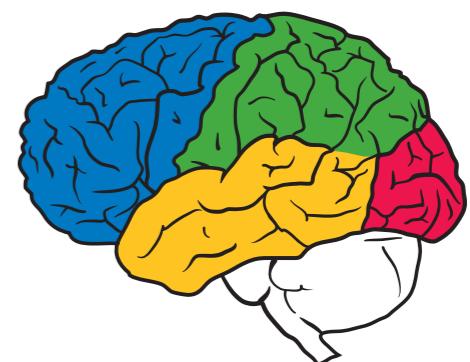


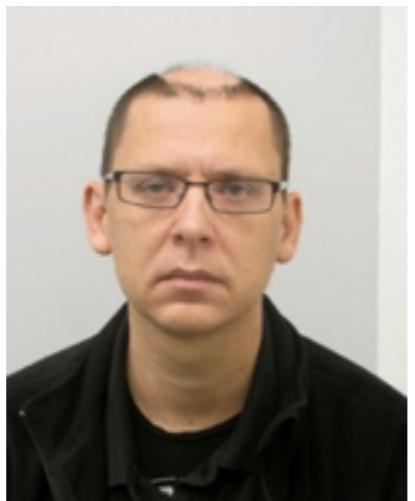
Directions in Convolutional Neural Networks at Google

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2 March 2015



Goals

- Provide a broad (and *incomplete*) survey of vision research applying deep networks at Google
- Avoid details but describing overview of problem.
- Almost all of the work I did not do. My amazing colleagues did it.



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The computer vision competition: IMAGENET

Large scale academic competition focused on predicting 1000 object classes (~1.2M images).

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electric ray, crampfish, numbfish, torpedo
sawfish

smalltooth sawfish, *Pristis pectinatus*
guitarfish

stingray

roughtail stingray, *Dasyatis centroura*

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History of techniques in ImageNet Challenge

ImageNet 2010

Locality constrained linear coding + SVM	NEC & UIUC
Fisher kernel + SVM	Xerox Research Center Europe
SIFT features + LI2C	Nanyang Technological Institute
SIFT features + k-Nearest Neighbors	Laboratoire d'Informatique de Grenoble
Color features + canonical correlation analysis	National Institute of Informatics, Tokyo

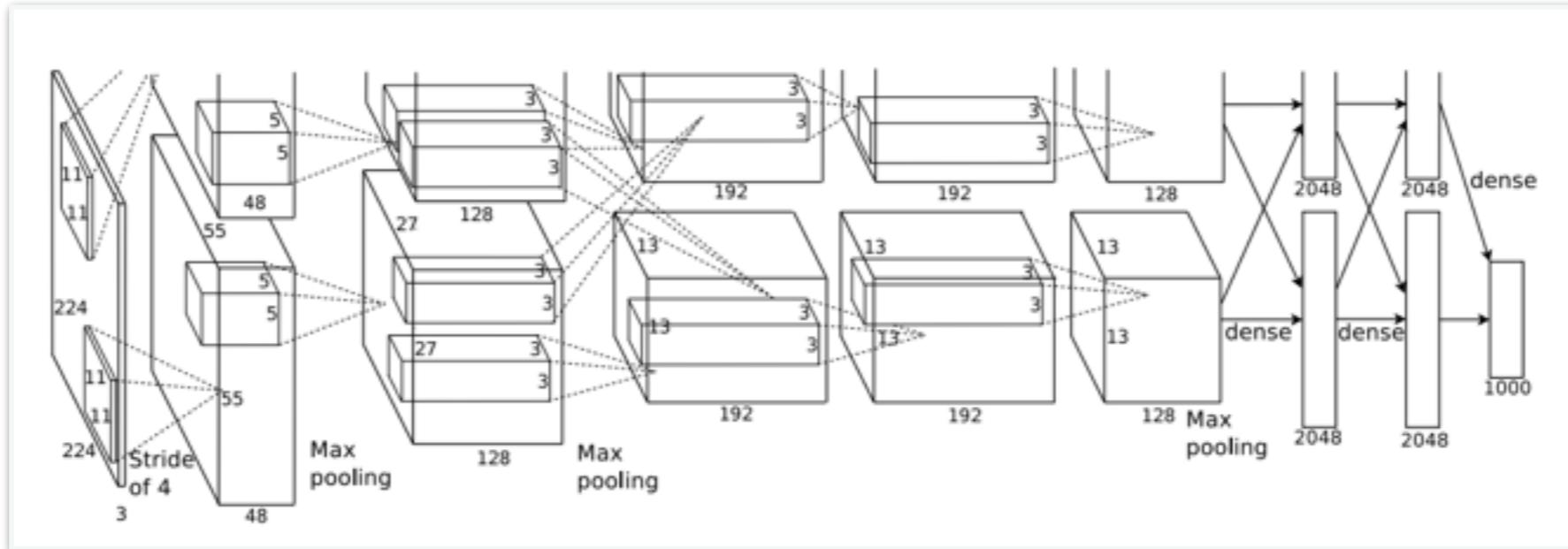
ImageNet 2011

Compressed Fisher kernel + SVM	Xerox Research Center Europe
SIFT bag-of-words + VQ + SVM	University of Amsterdam & University of
SIFT + ?	ISI Lab, Tokyo University

ImageNet 2012

Deep convolutional neural network	University of Toronto
Discriminatively trained DPMs	University of Oxford
Fisher-based SIFT features + SVM	ISI Lab, Tokyo University

Convolutional neural networks, revisited

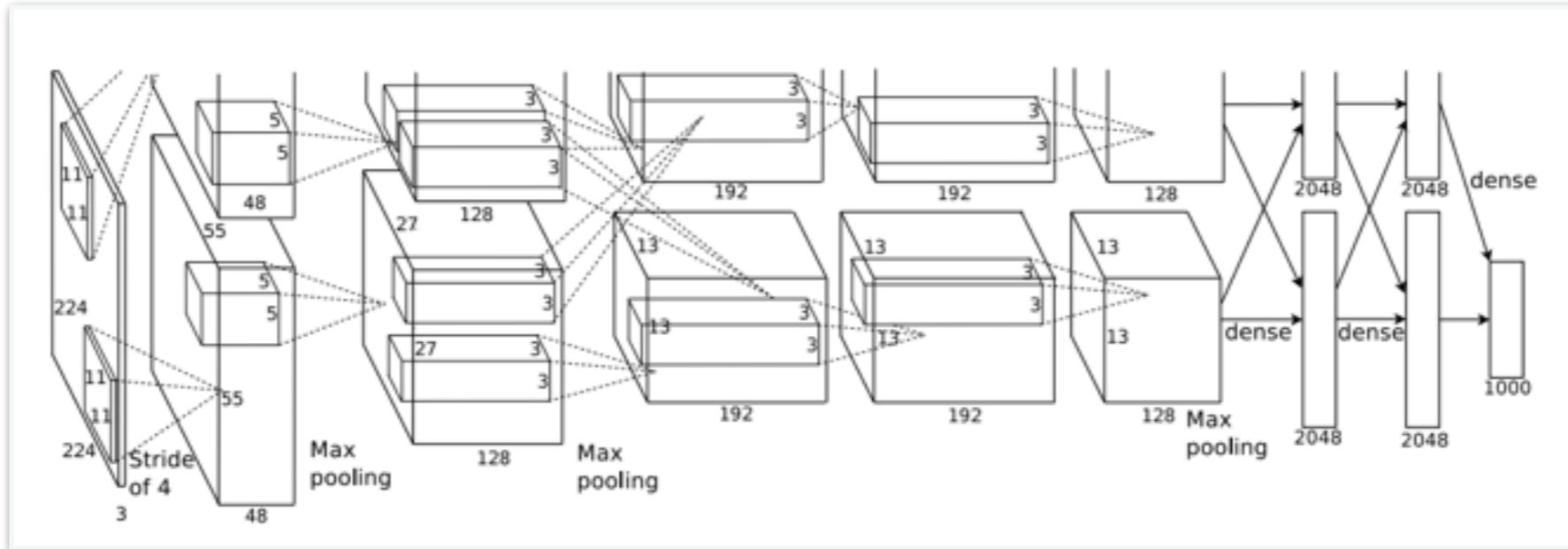


ImageNet Classification with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks
A Krizhevsky I Sutskever, G Hinton (2012)

- Repeated motifs of convolution, local response normalization and max pooling across ~13 layers.
- Most elements of network architecture employed as early as the late 1980's.

Backpropagation applied to handwritten zip code recognition
Y LeCun et al (1990)

What happened?



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- Winning network contained 60M parameters.
- Achieving scale in compute and data is critical.
 - large academic data sets
 - SIMD hardware (e.g. GPU's, SSE instruction sets)

Applications at Google (and beyond)

- Image Search
- Image Labeling
- Image Segmentation
- Object Detection
- Object Tracking
- Photo OCR
- Video Annotation
- Video Recommendation
- Fine-grained Classification
- Robot Perception
- Microscopy Analysis

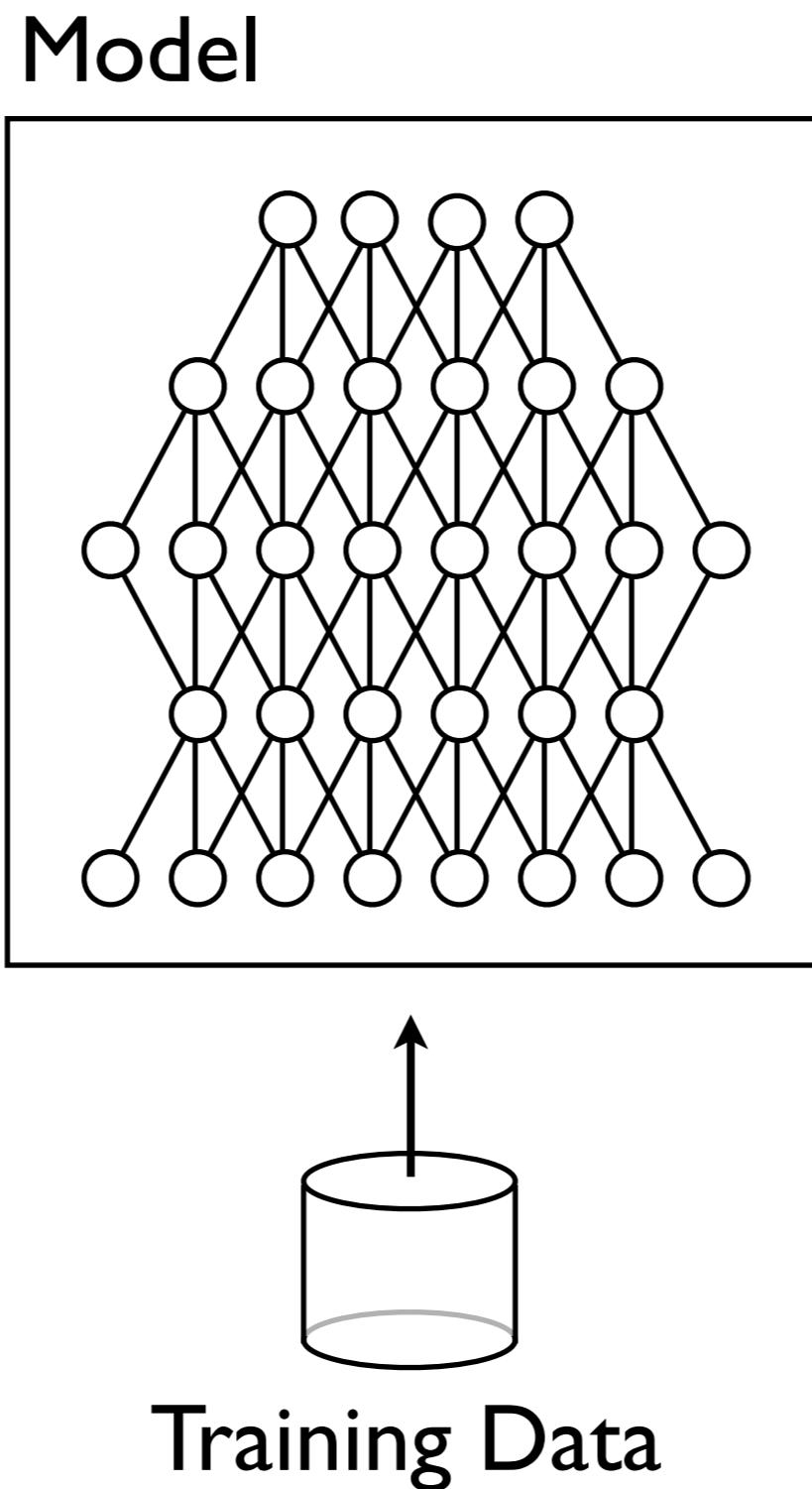
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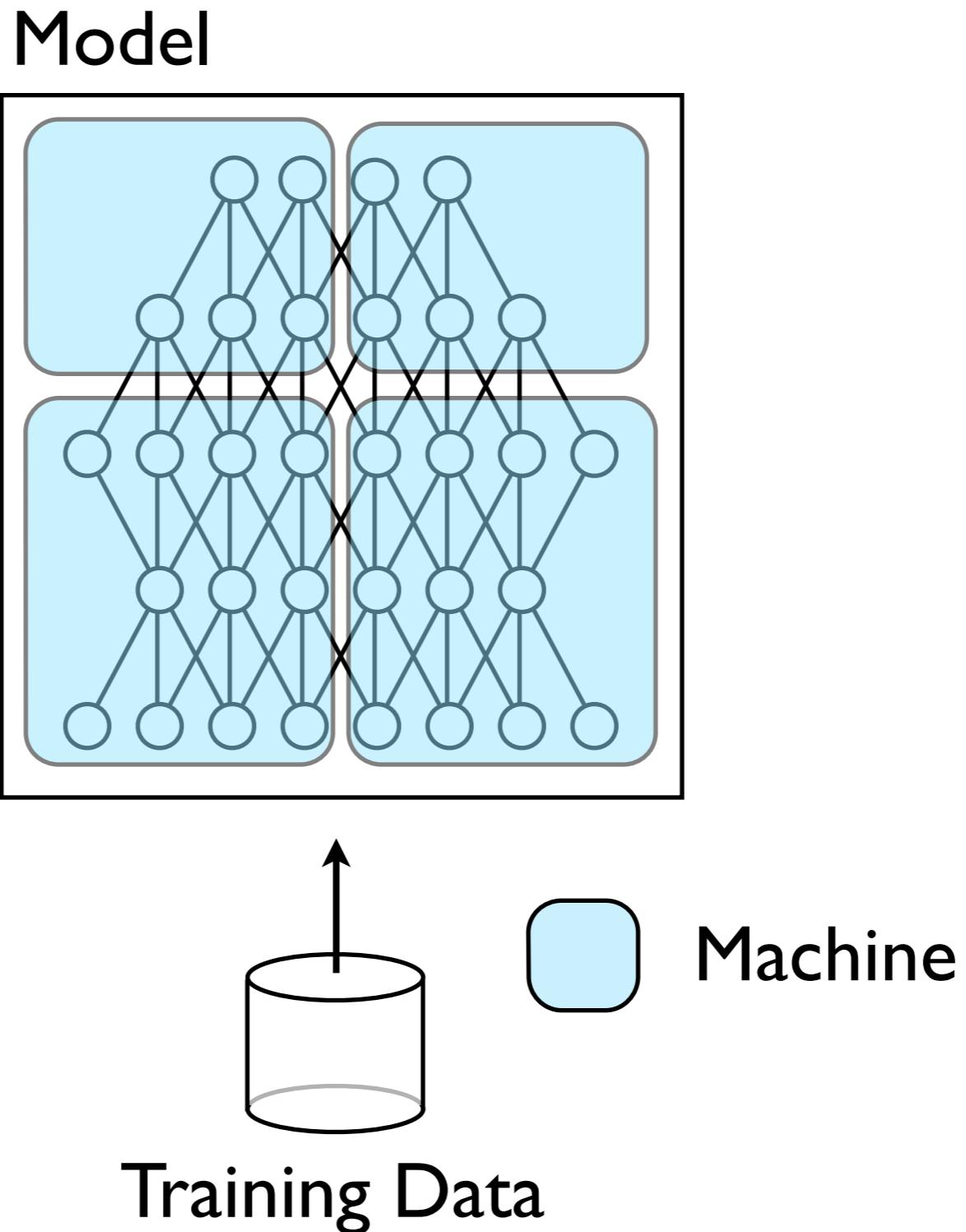
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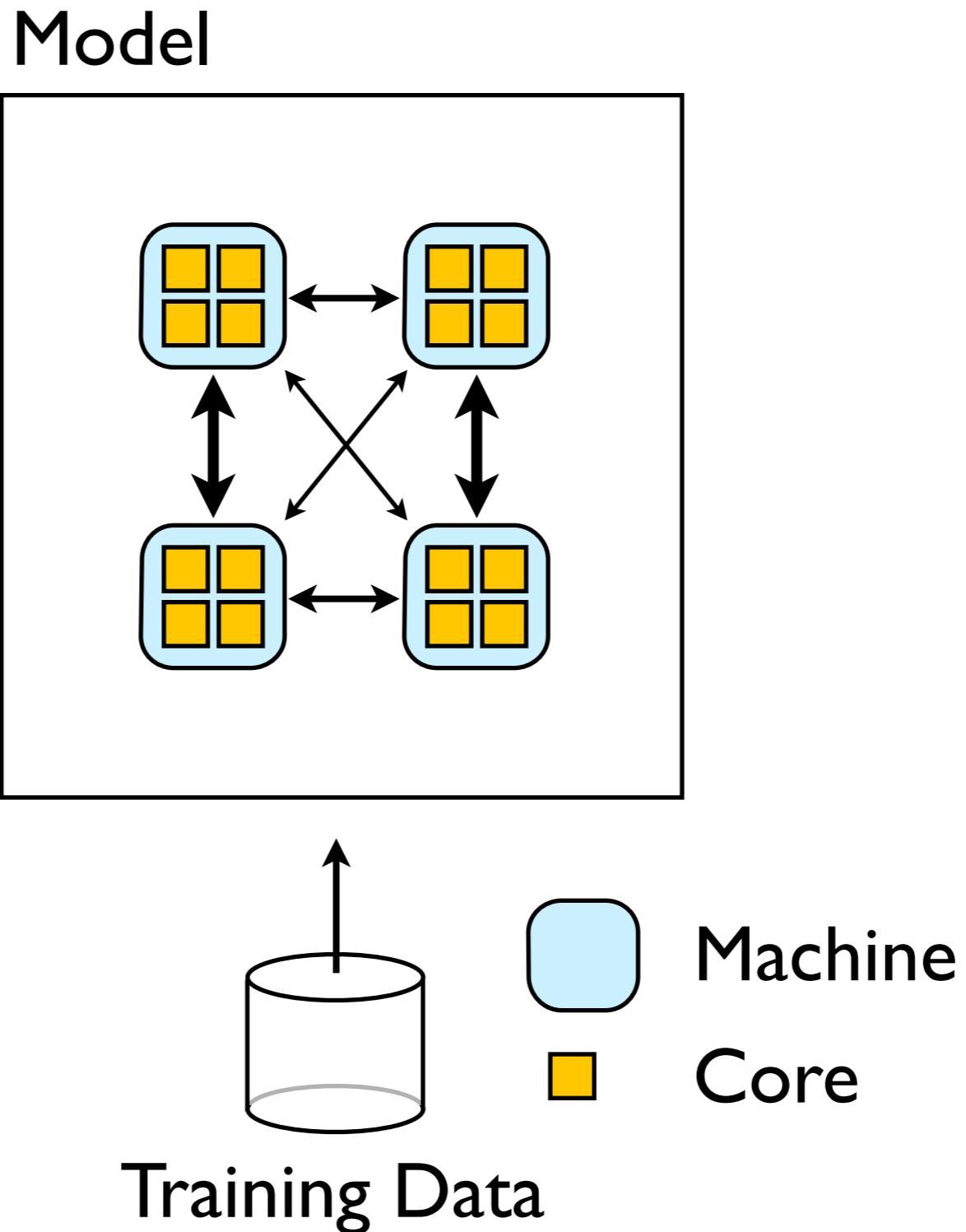
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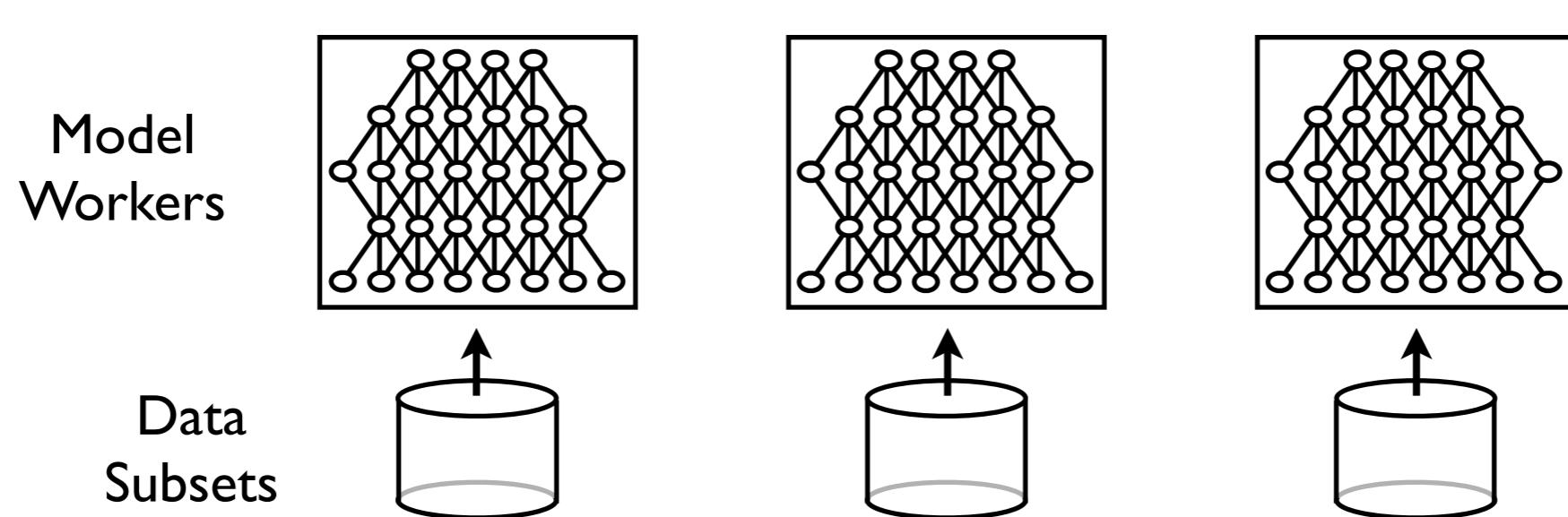
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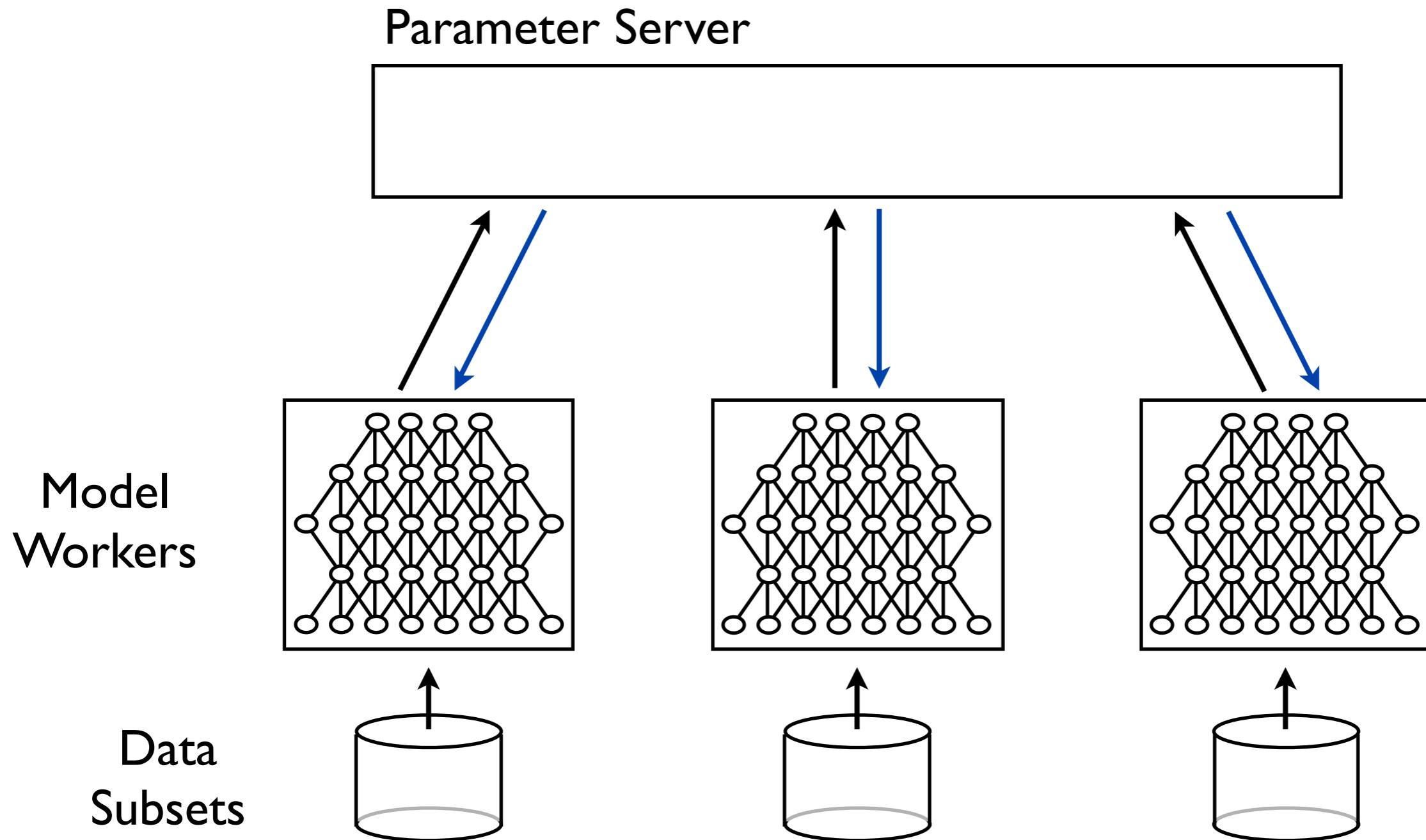


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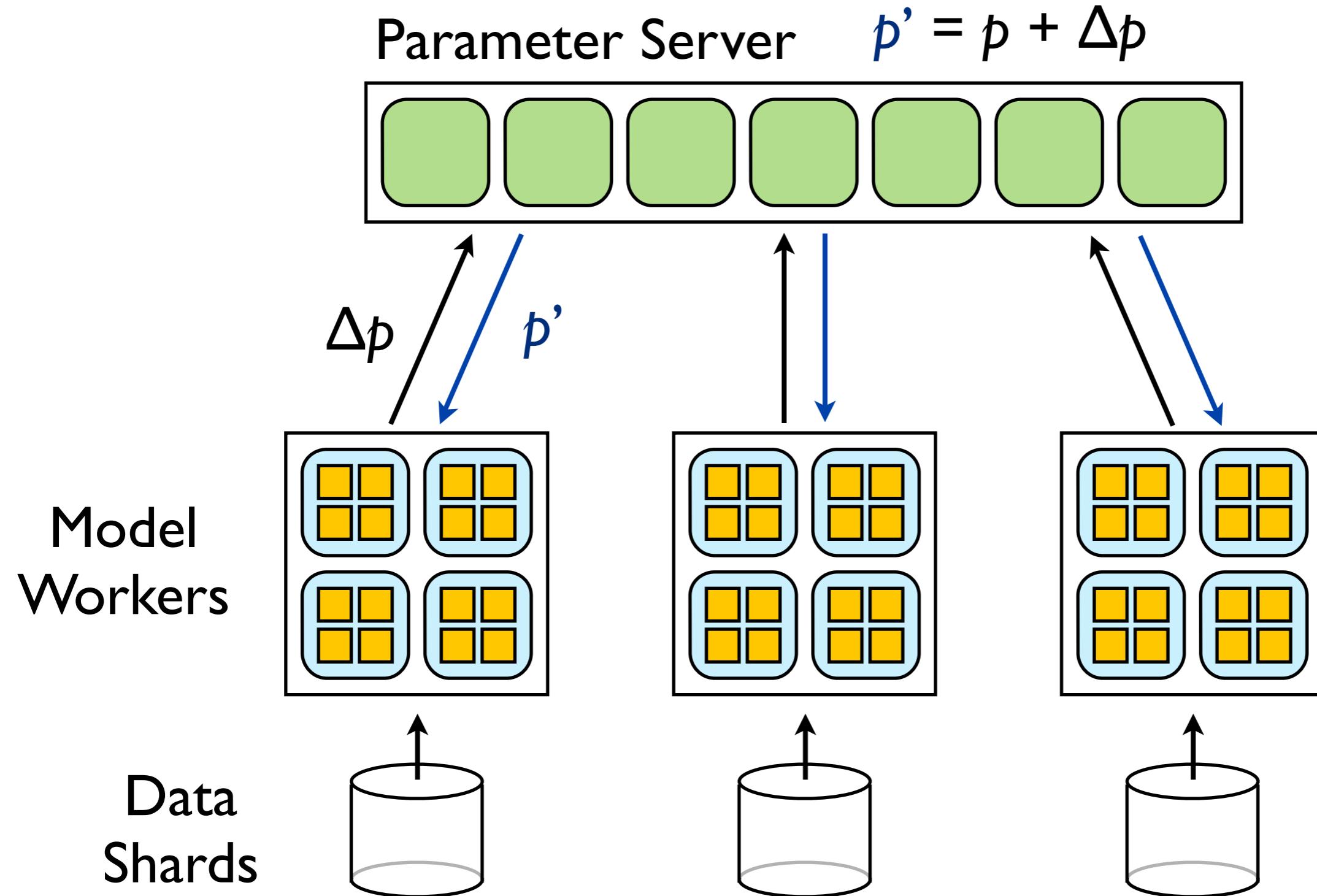
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Steady advances in vision architectures.

- Successive improvements to CNN architectures provide steady improvement in image recognition.

top 5 error		
2012	Krizhevsky, Sutskever and Hinton *	16.4%
2013	Zeiler and Fergus *	11.5%
2014	Szegedy et al *	6.6%
2015	He et al	4.9%
2015	Ioffe and Szegedy	4.8%

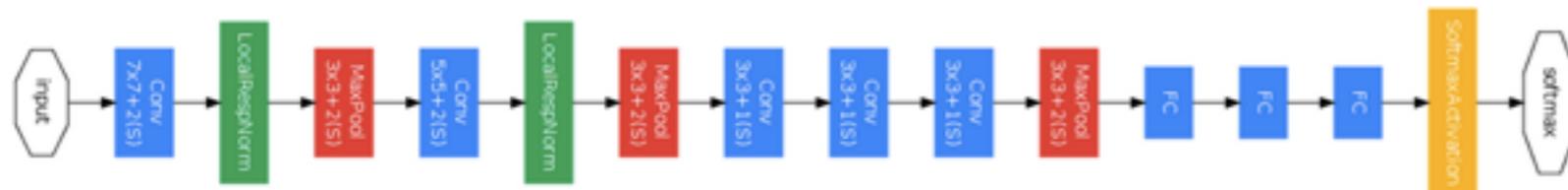
* winner of ImageNet Challenge

Inception is both better and more efficient.

Krizhevsky, Sutskever and Hinton (2012)

params *FLOPs*

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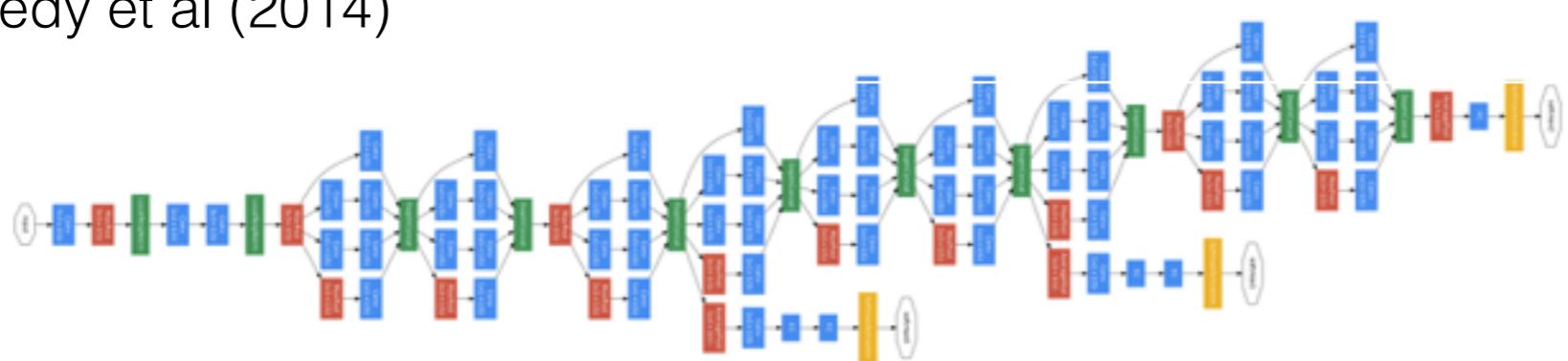
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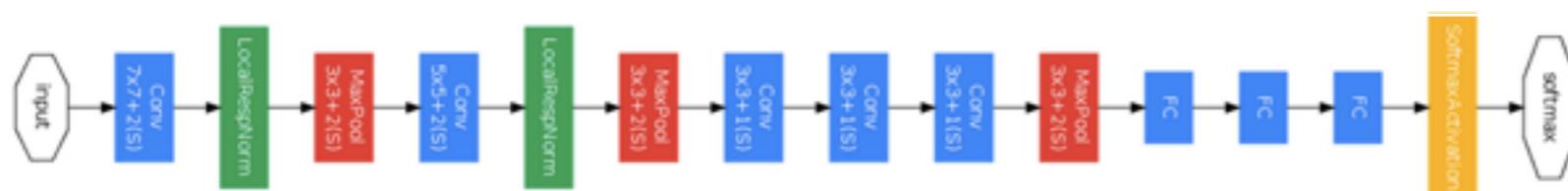
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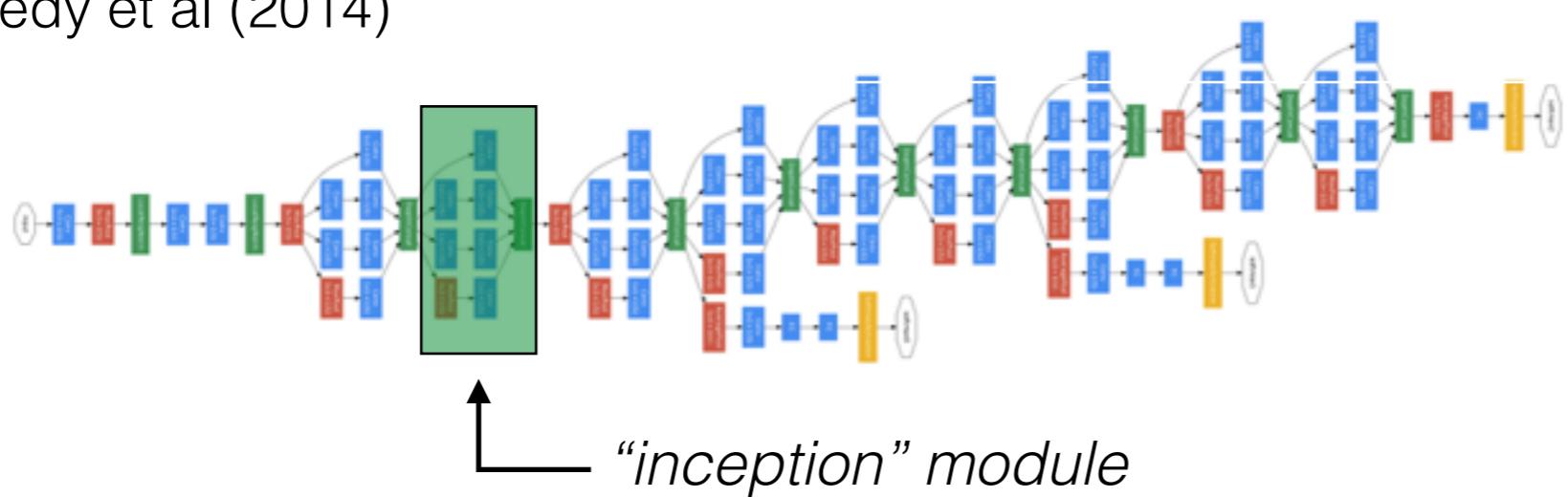
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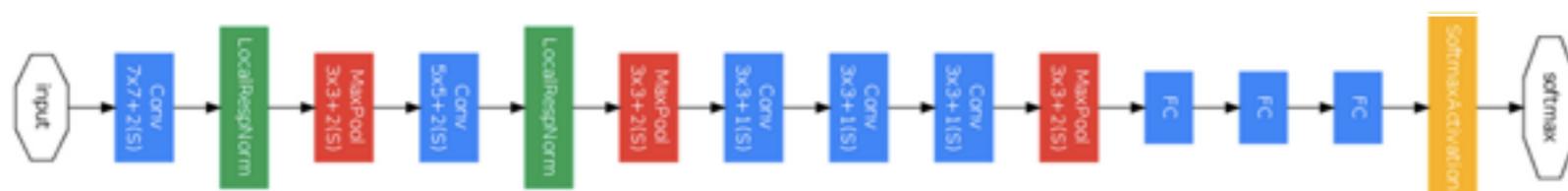
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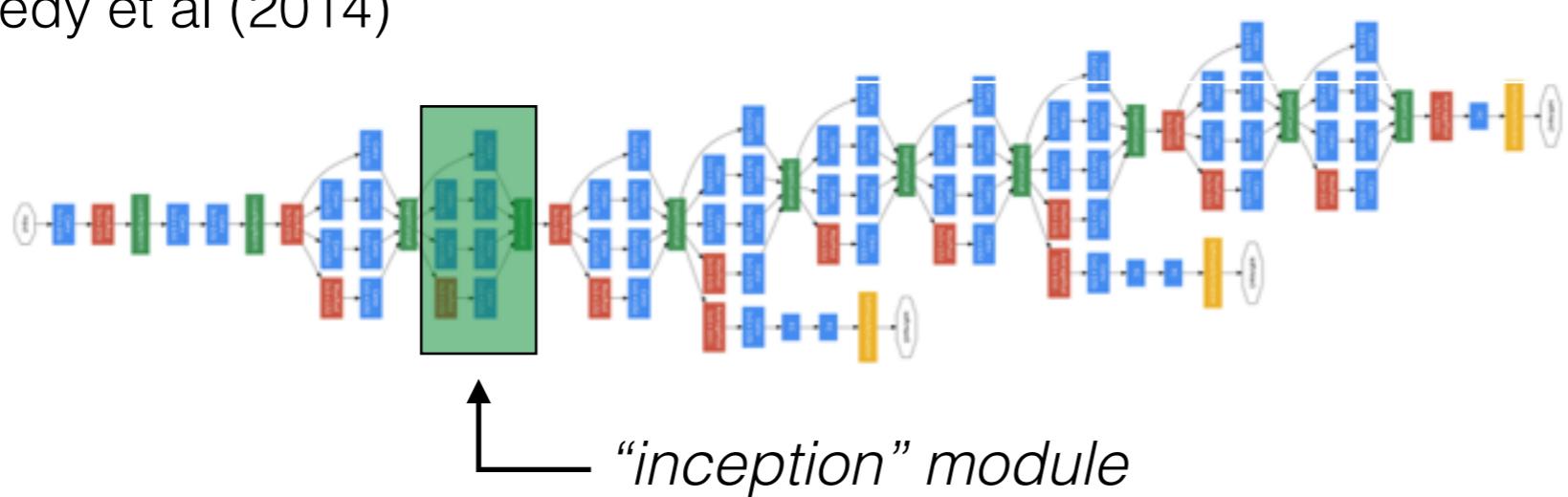
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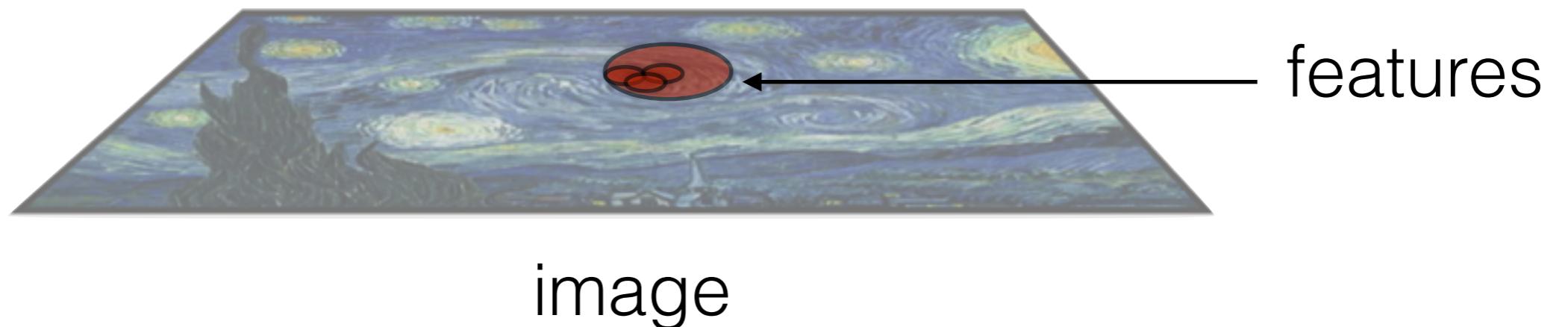
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Natural images are locally heavily correlated.



Filter activations reflect image correlations

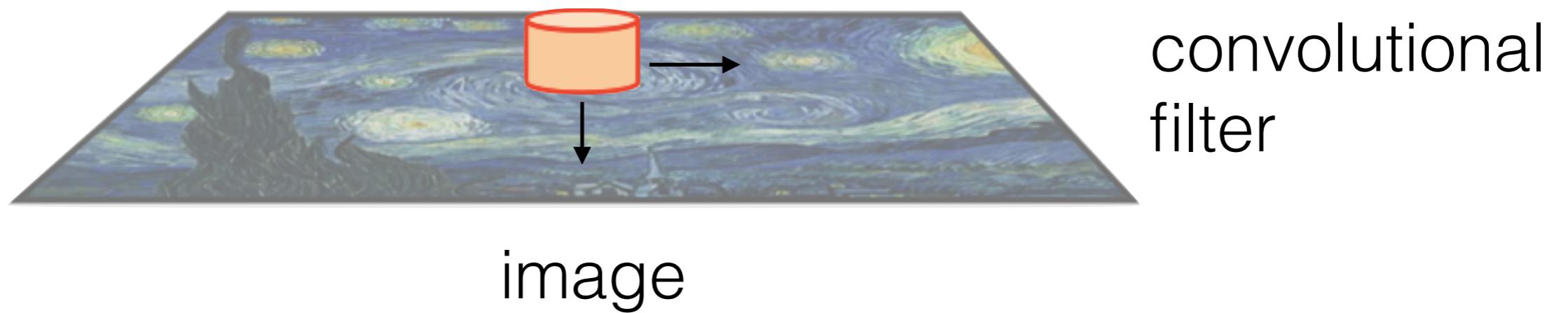
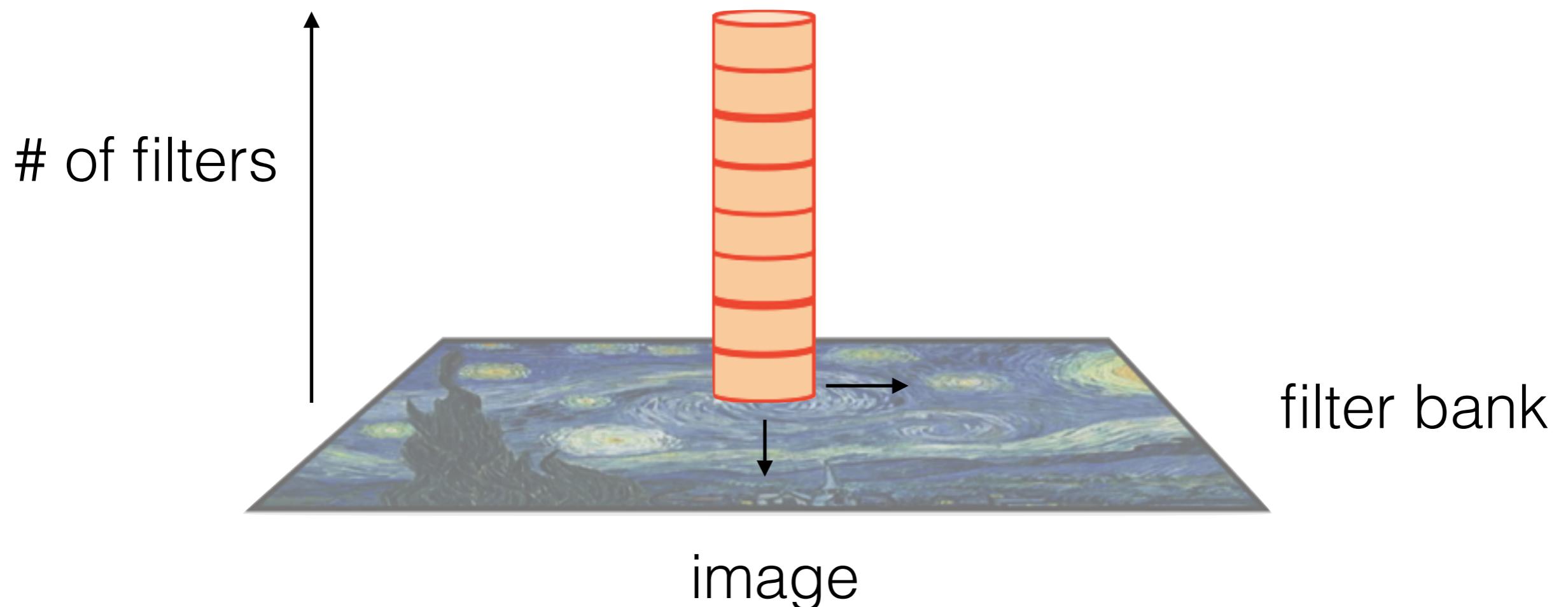
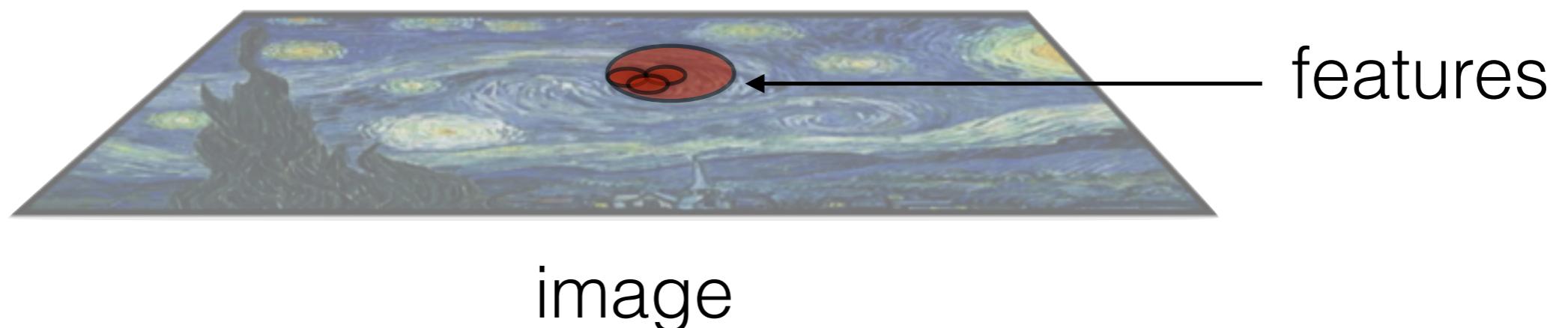


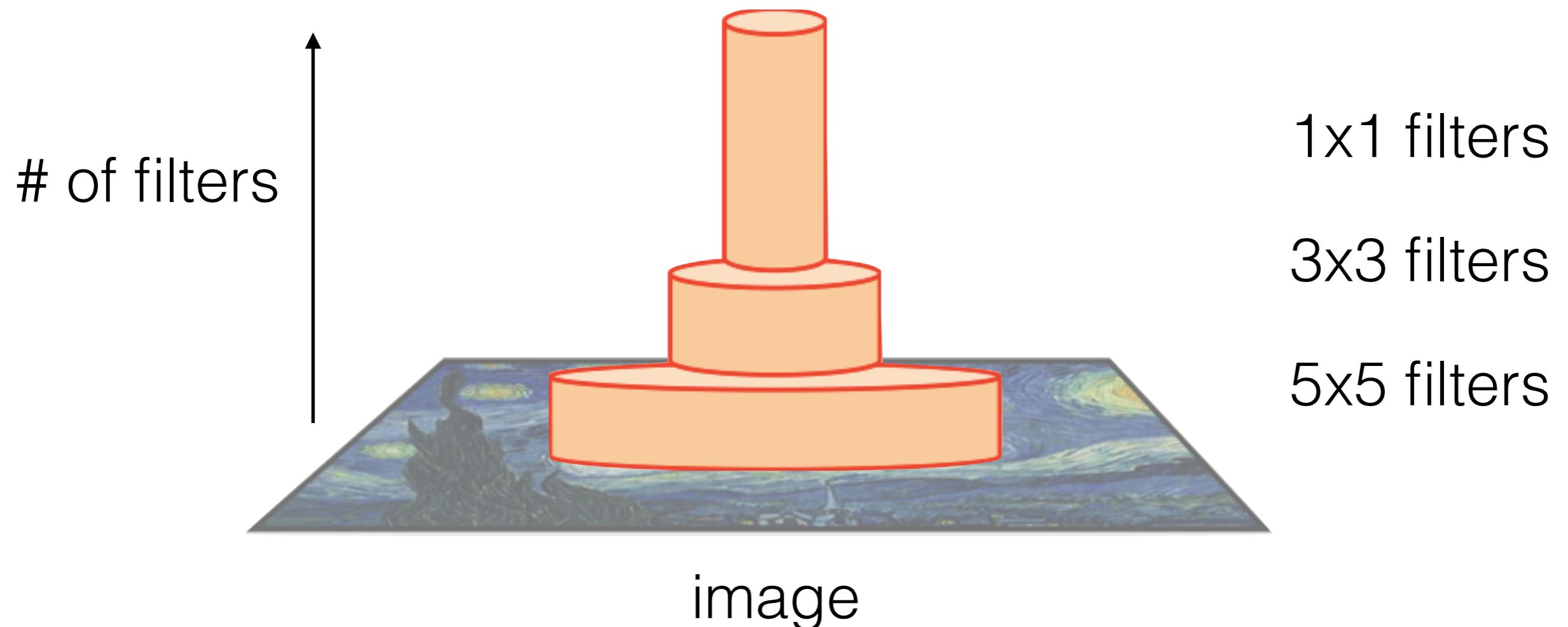
Image correlations reflected in filter bank correlations



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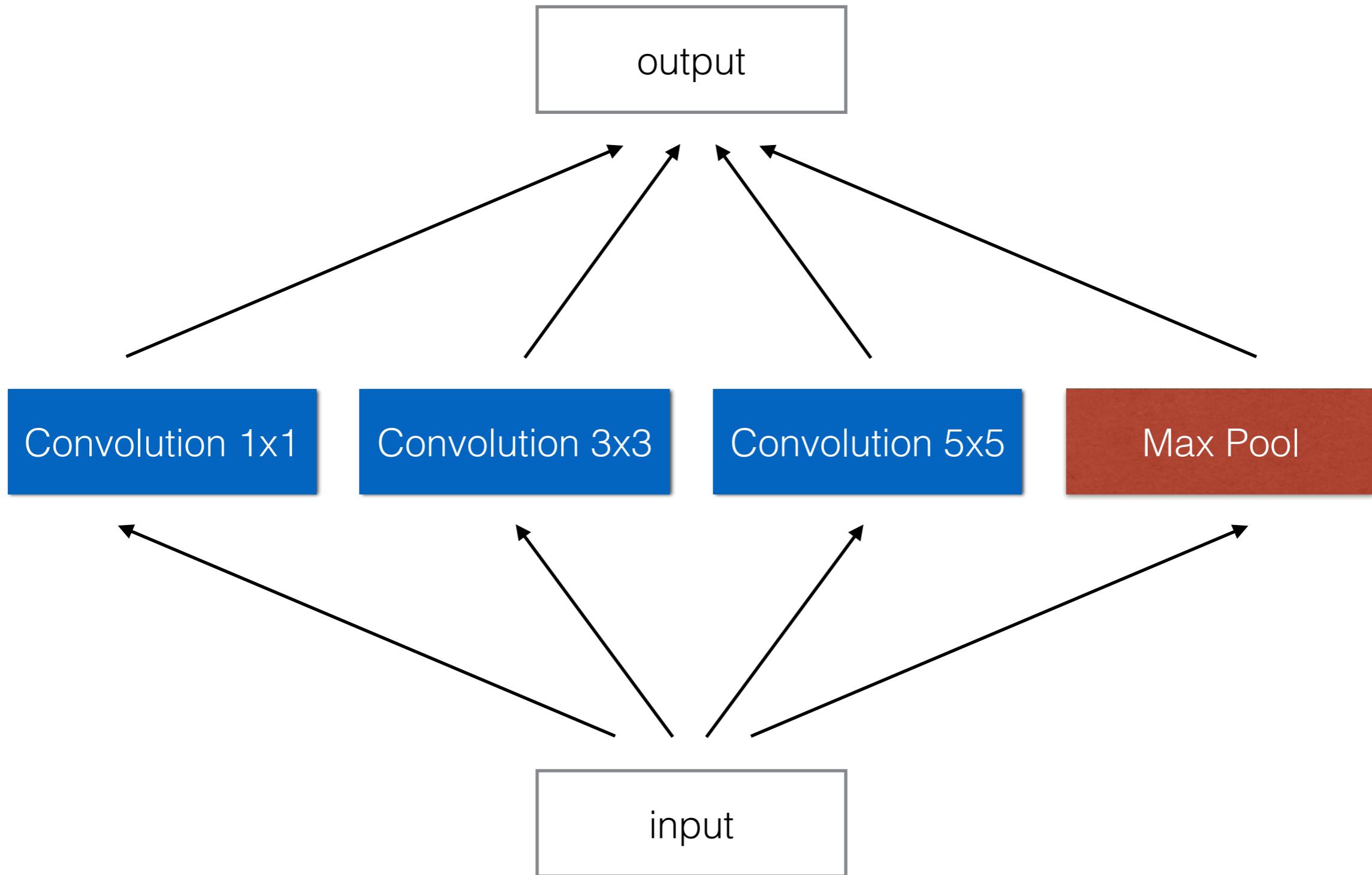


Convolution

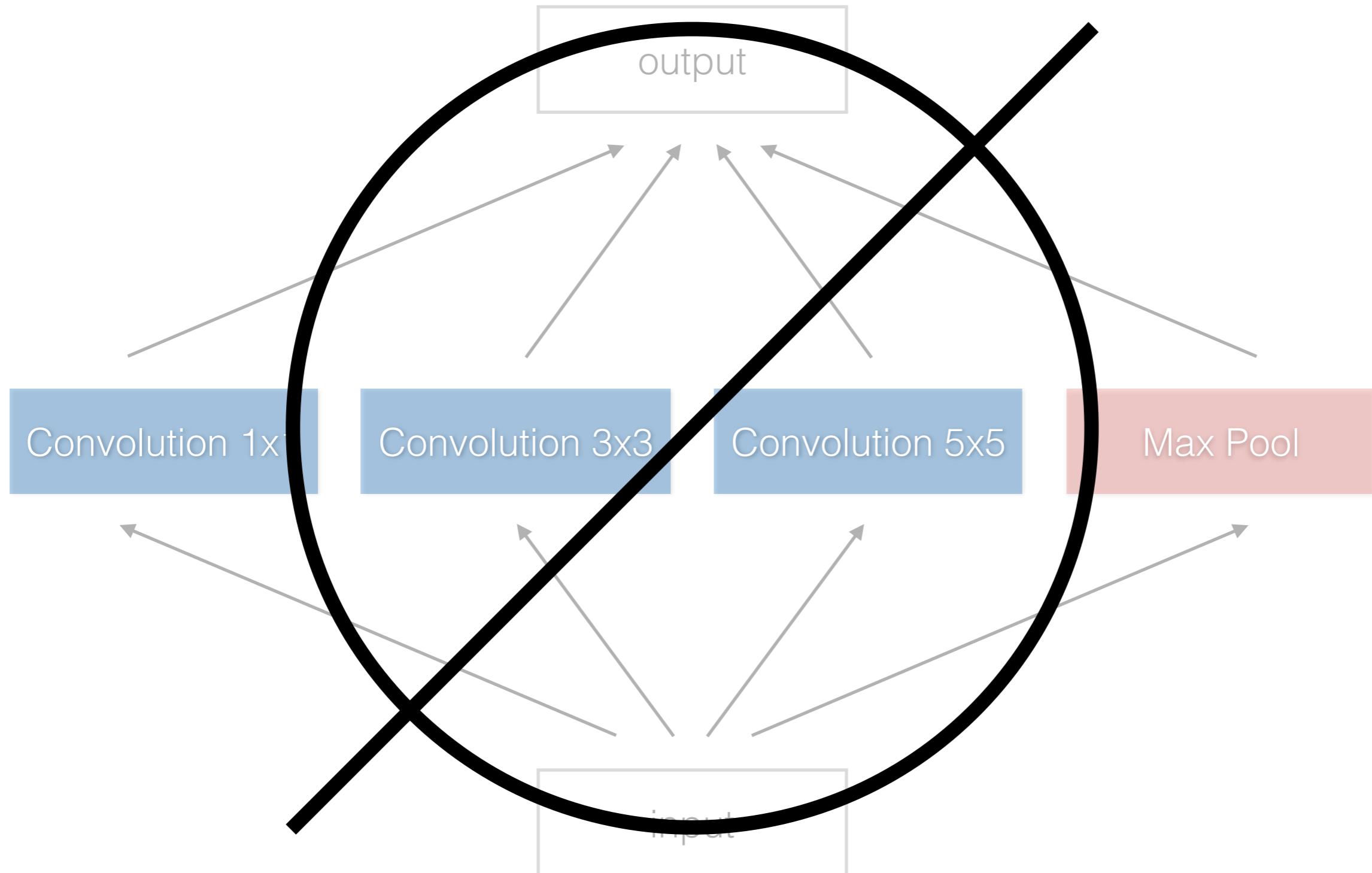


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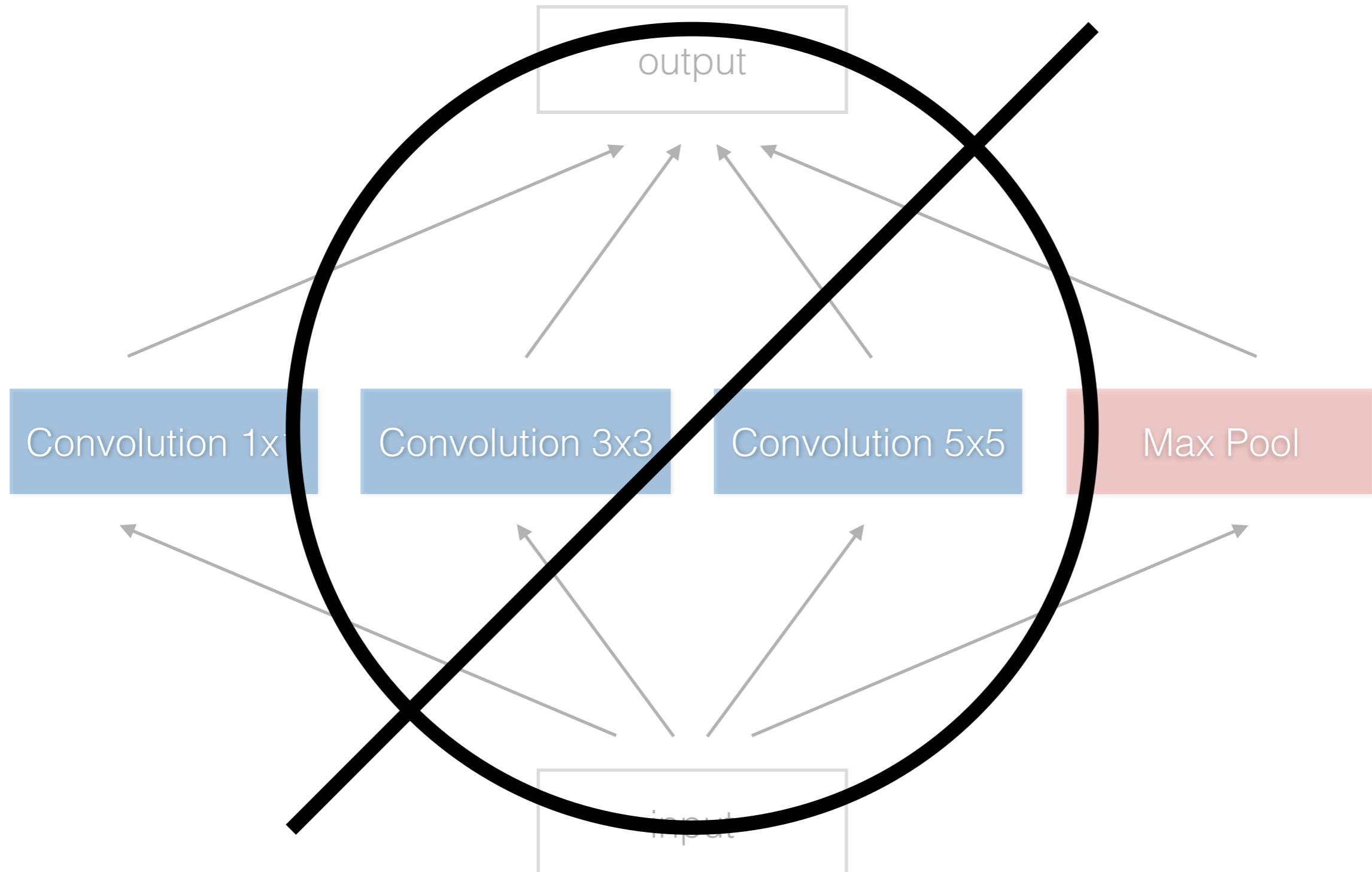
Replace convolution with multi-scale convolution



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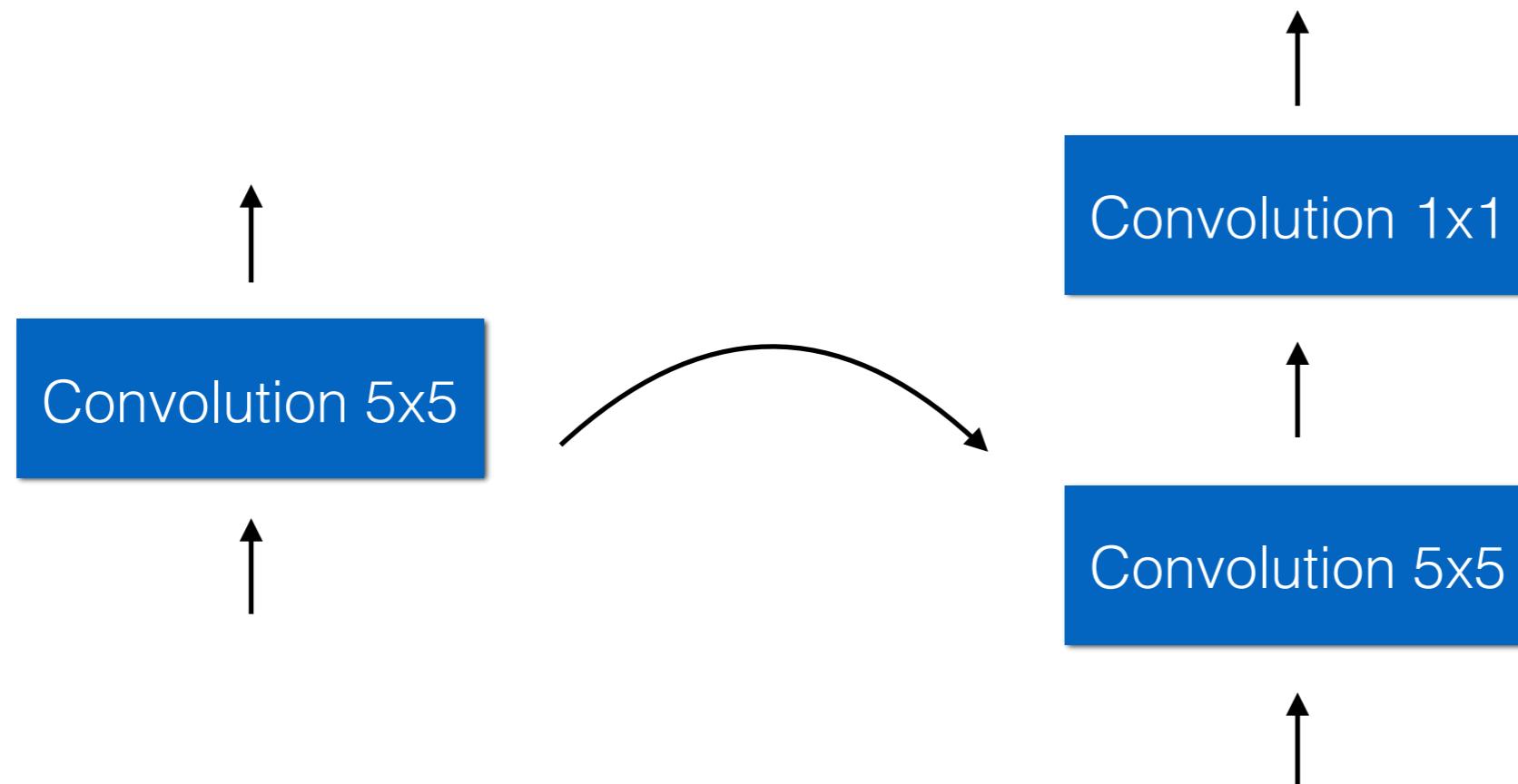


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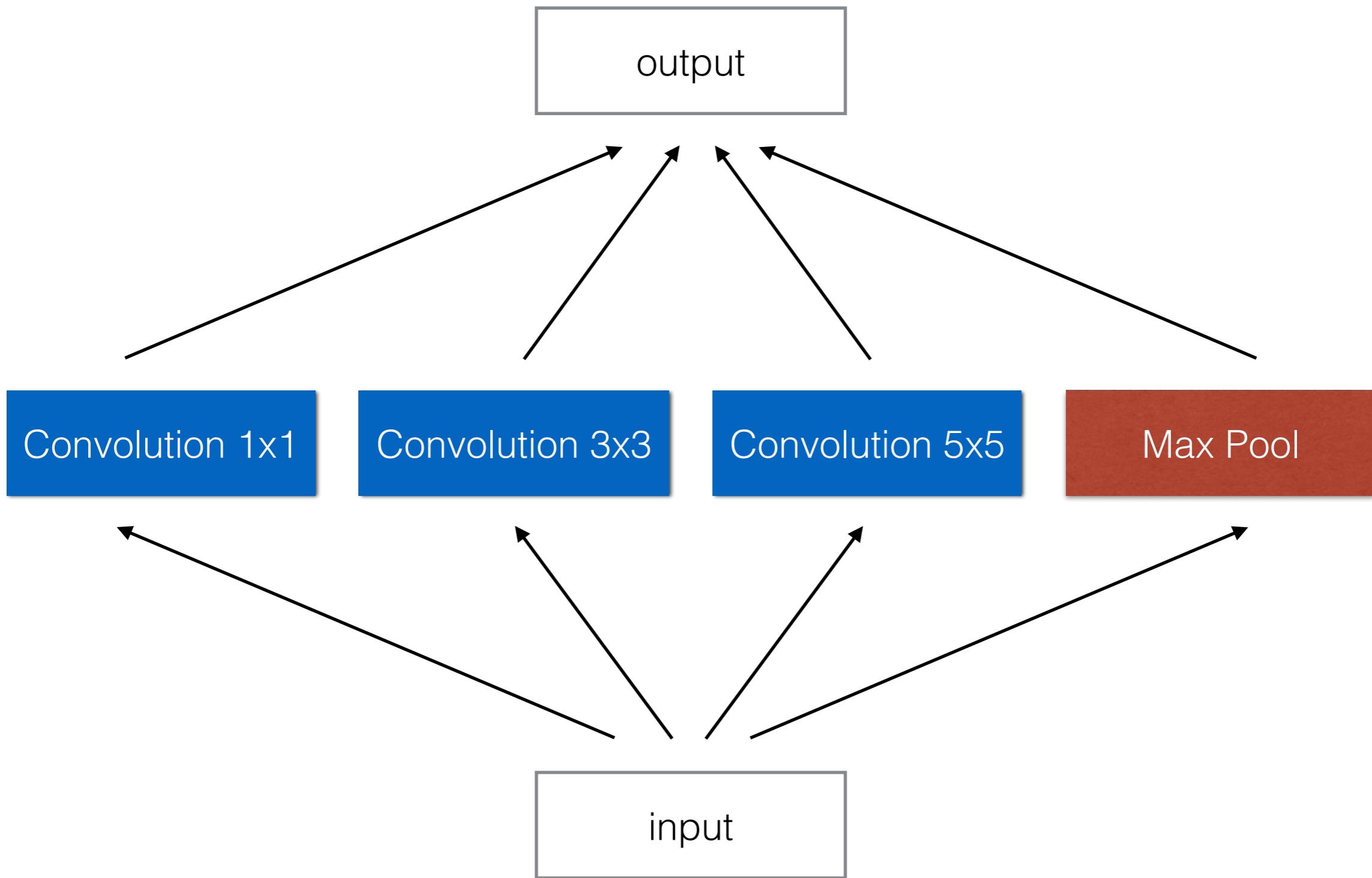


“Network-in-network” constrains representation.

- “*Network-in-network*” architecture demonstrated impressive performance on ImageNet Challenge.

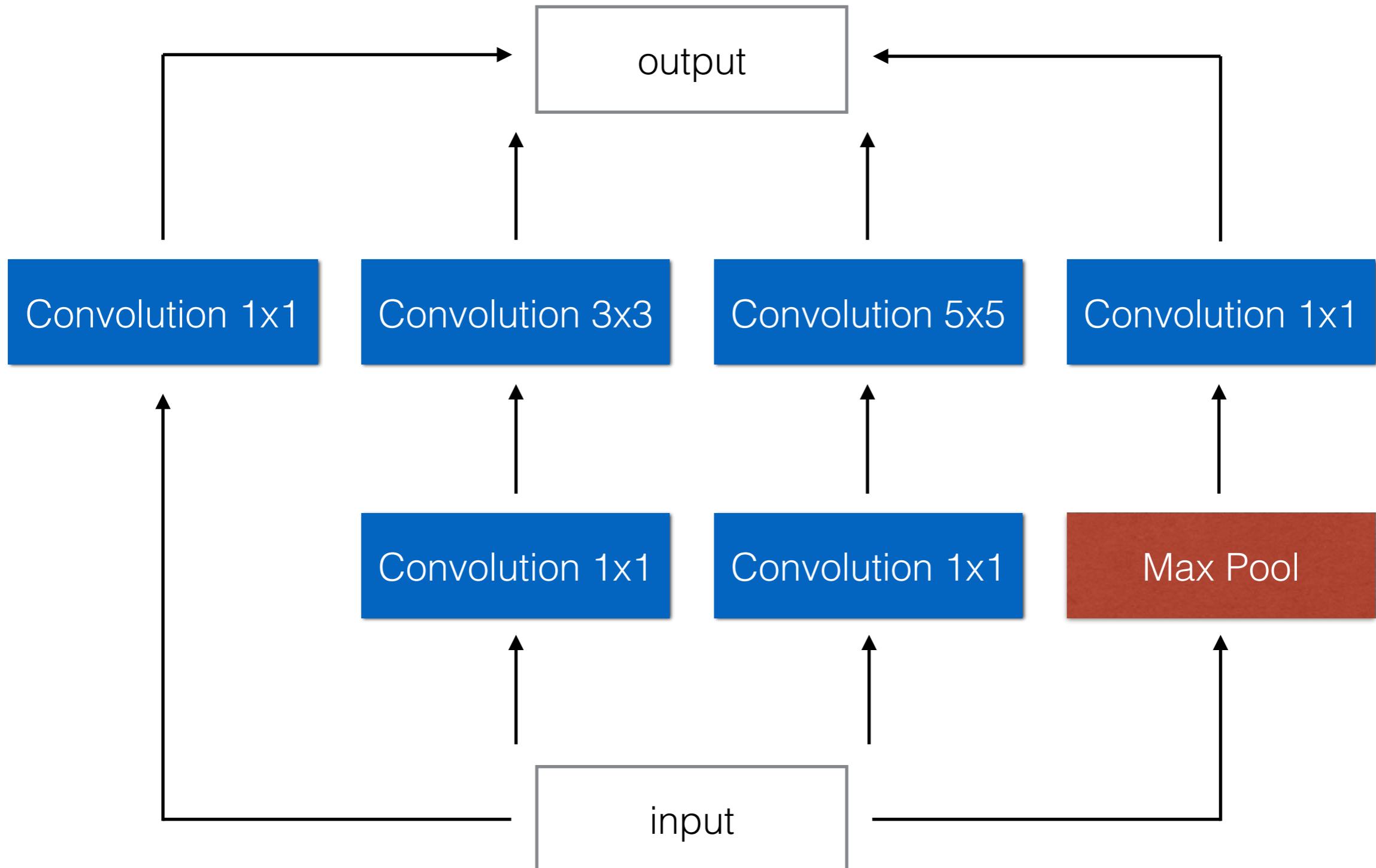


- Restrict the representational power and may reduce the number of matrix multiplications.



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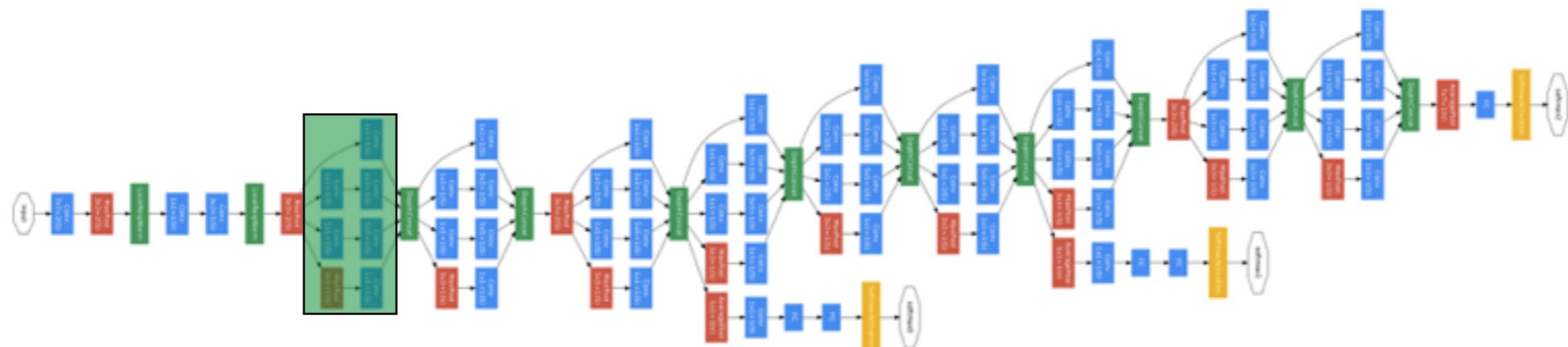
Employ multi-scale and dimensional reduction.



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Summary of Inception architecture.

- Multi-scale architecture to mirror correlation structure in images.
- Dimensional reduction to constrain representation along each spatial scale.

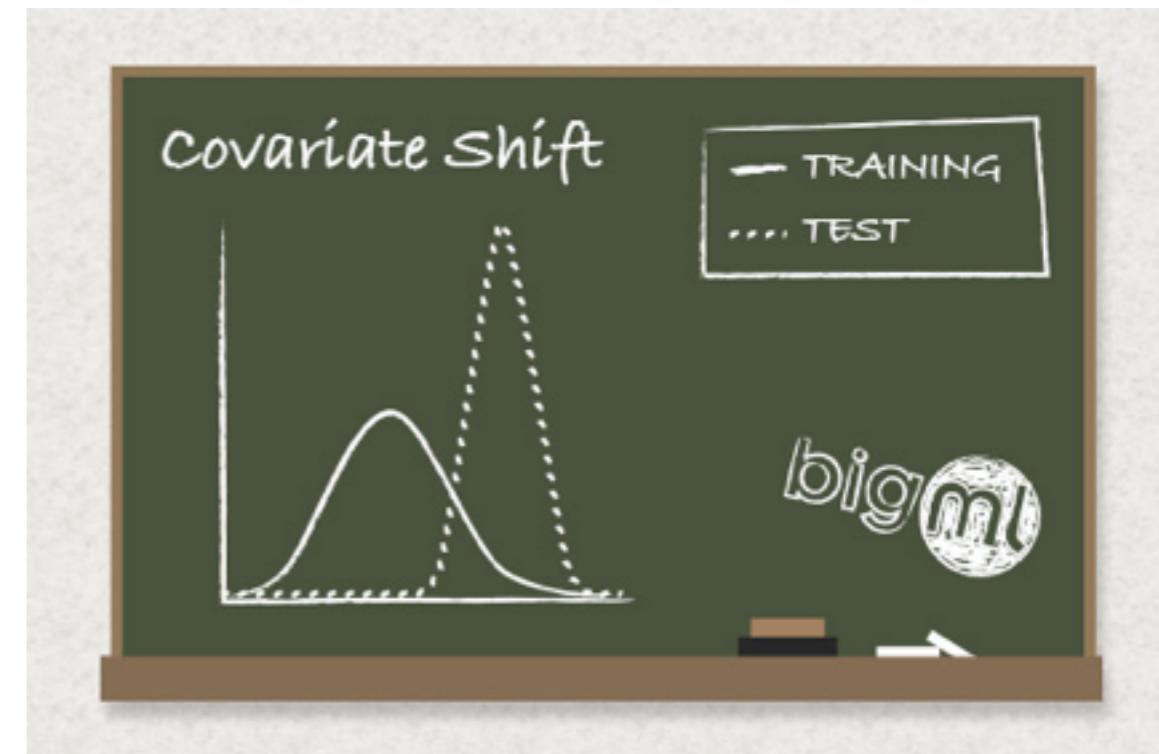


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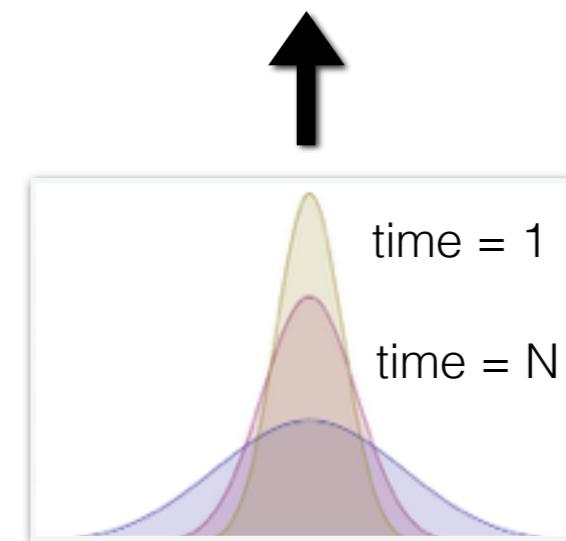
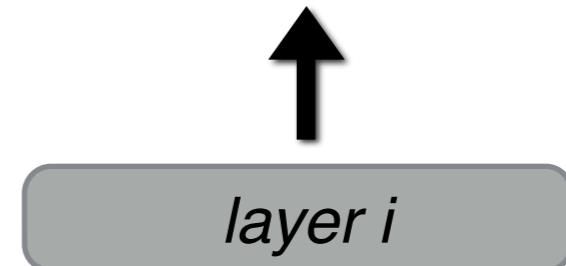
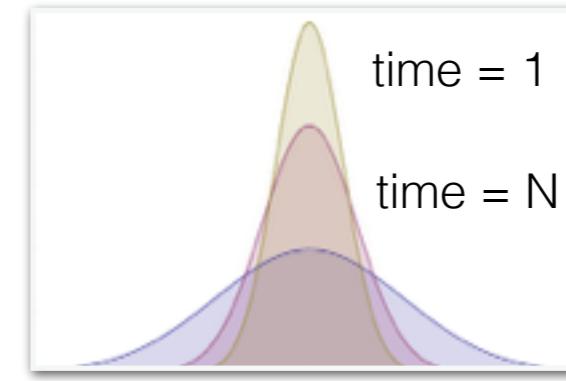
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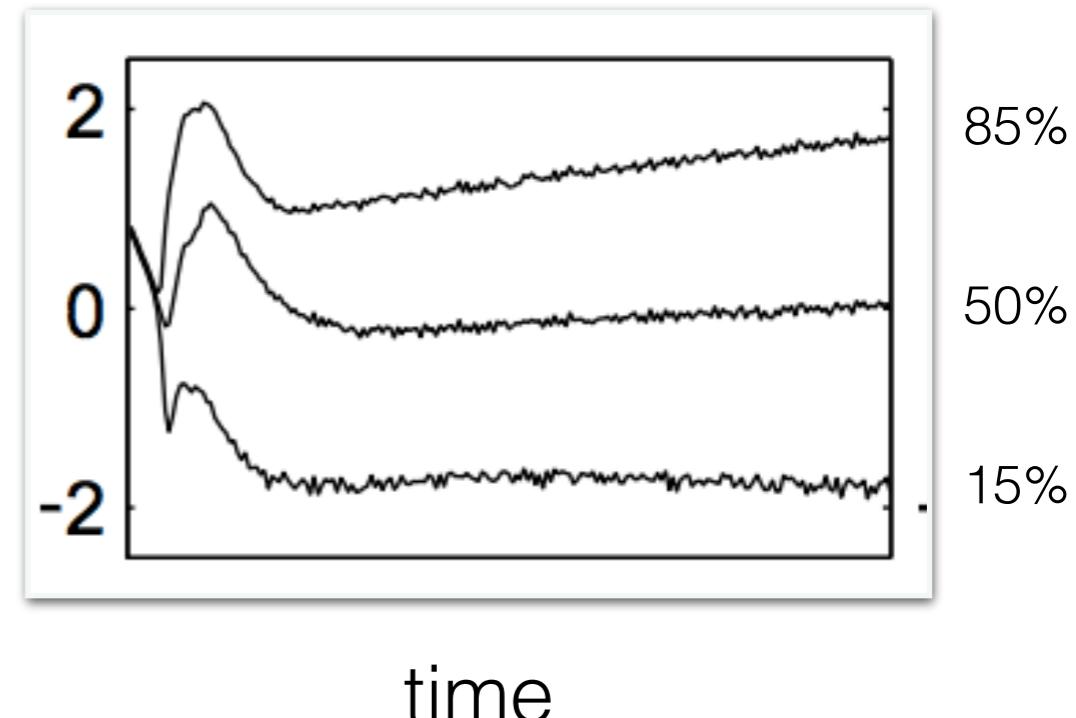
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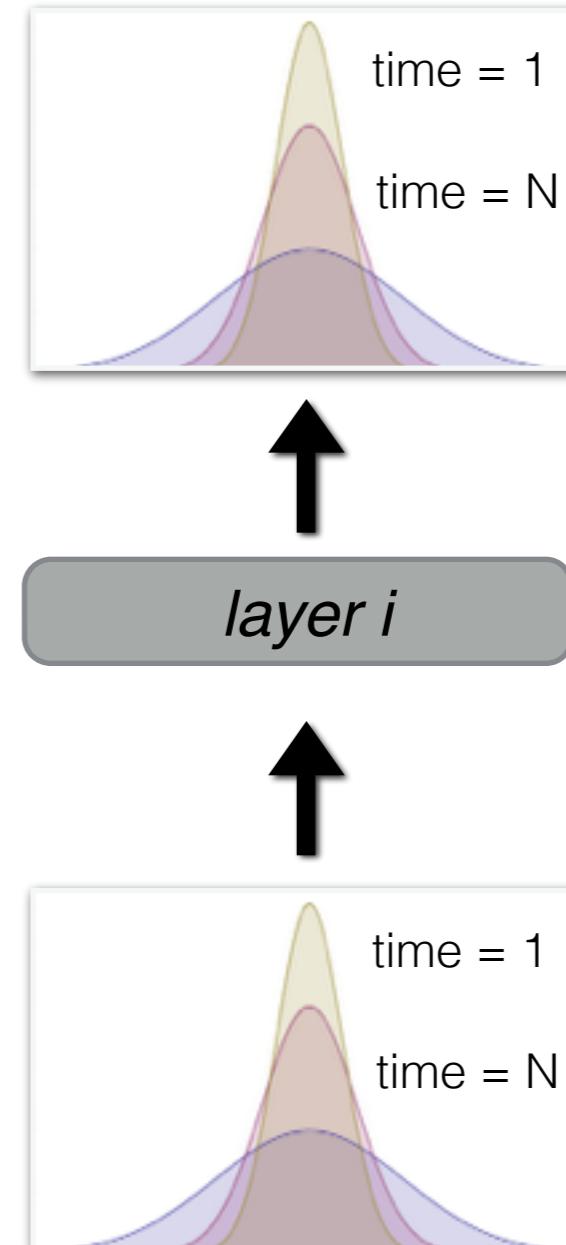
- Covariate shifts occur across layers in a deep network.
- Performing domain adaptation or whitening is impractical in an online setting.

logistic unit activation during MNIST training



Previous method for addressing covariate shifts

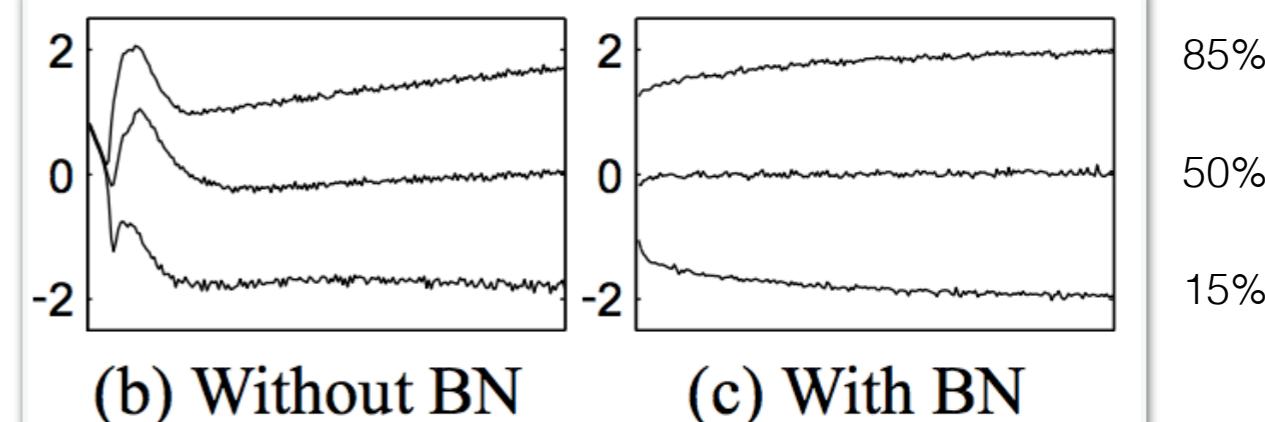
- whitening input data
- building invariances through normalization
- regularizing the network (e.g. dropout, maxout)



Mitigate covariate shift via batch normalization.

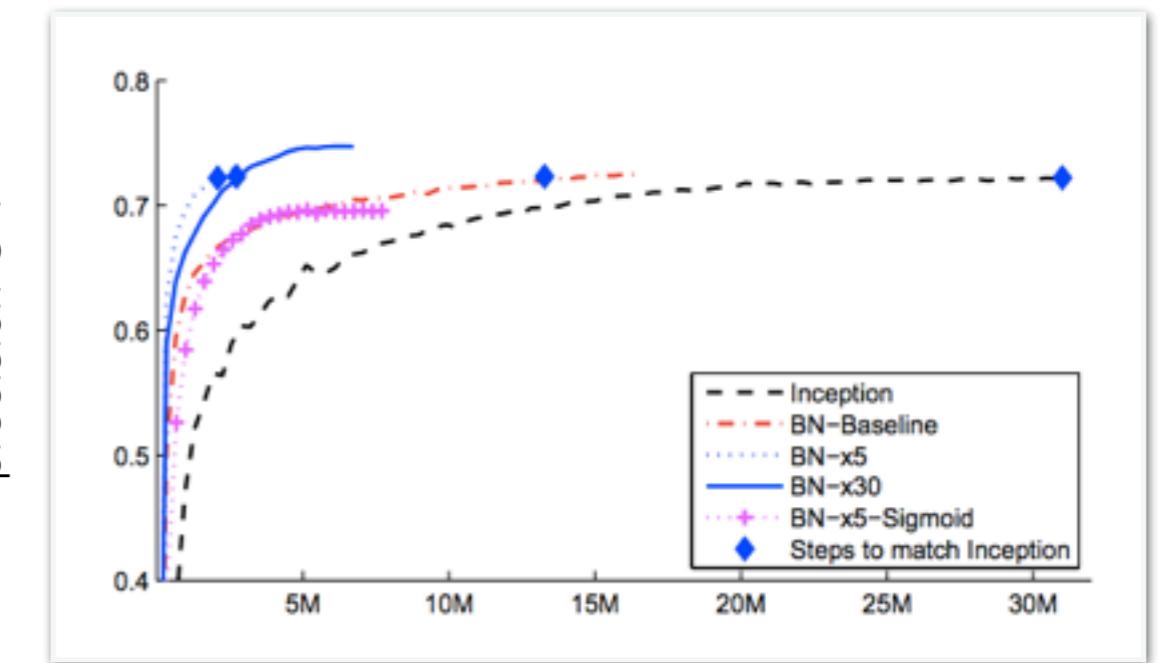
- Normalize the activations in each layer within a mini-batch.
- Learn the mean and variance (γ, β) of each layer as parameters

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\mathcal{B}} &\leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i && // \text{mini-batch mean} \\ \sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 &\leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2 && // \text{mini-batch variance} \\ \hat{x}_i &\leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}} && // \text{normalize} \\ y_i &\leftarrow \gamma \hat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \text{BN}_{\gamma, \beta}(x_i) && // \text{scale and shift}\end{aligned}$$



Batch normalization improves Inception network.

- Multi-layer CNN's train faster with fewer data samples (15x).
- Employ faster learning rates and less network regularizations.
- Achieves state of the art results on ImageNet.

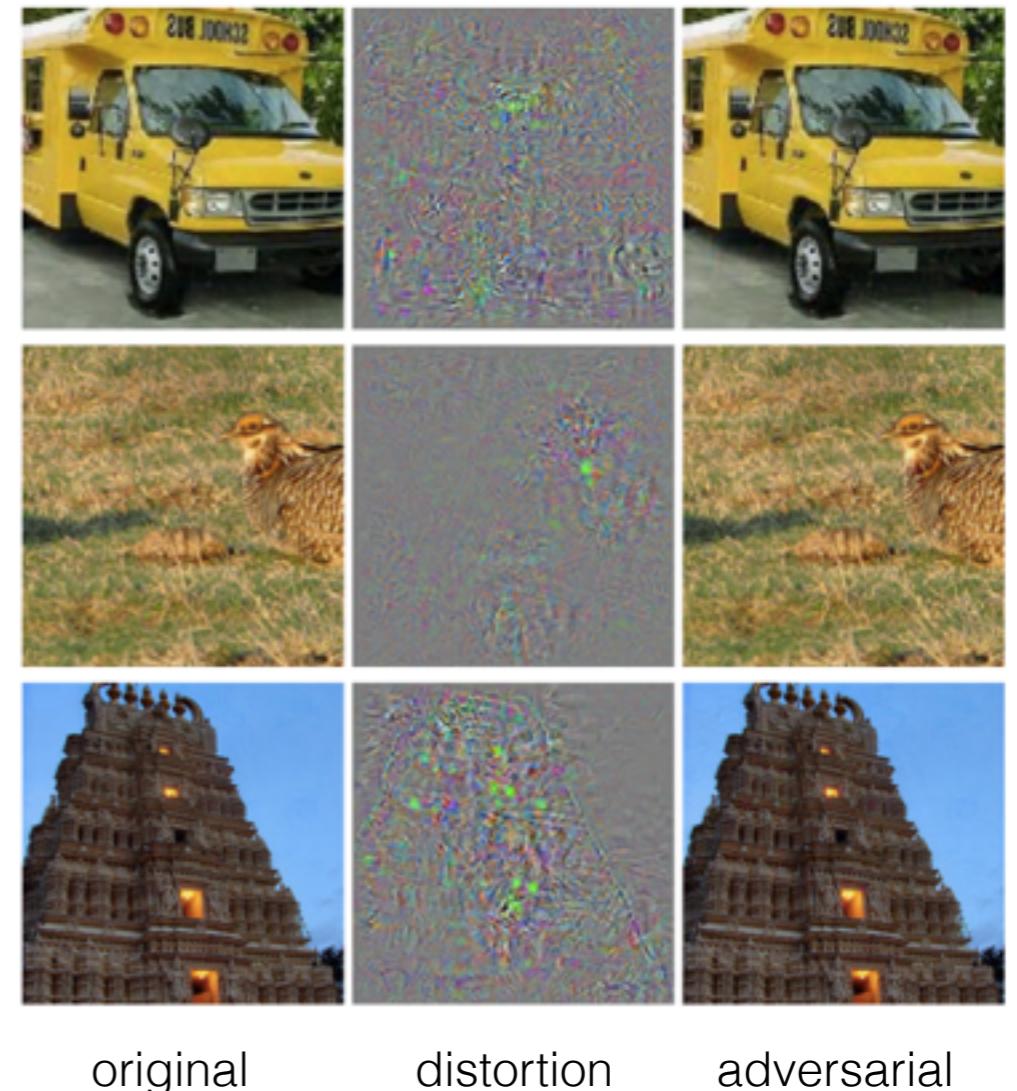


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Machine learning systems can easily be fooled.

- Employ second-order method to search for minimal distortion to create a false classification.
- Generate slight deviations in images that effect almost any image classifier system.



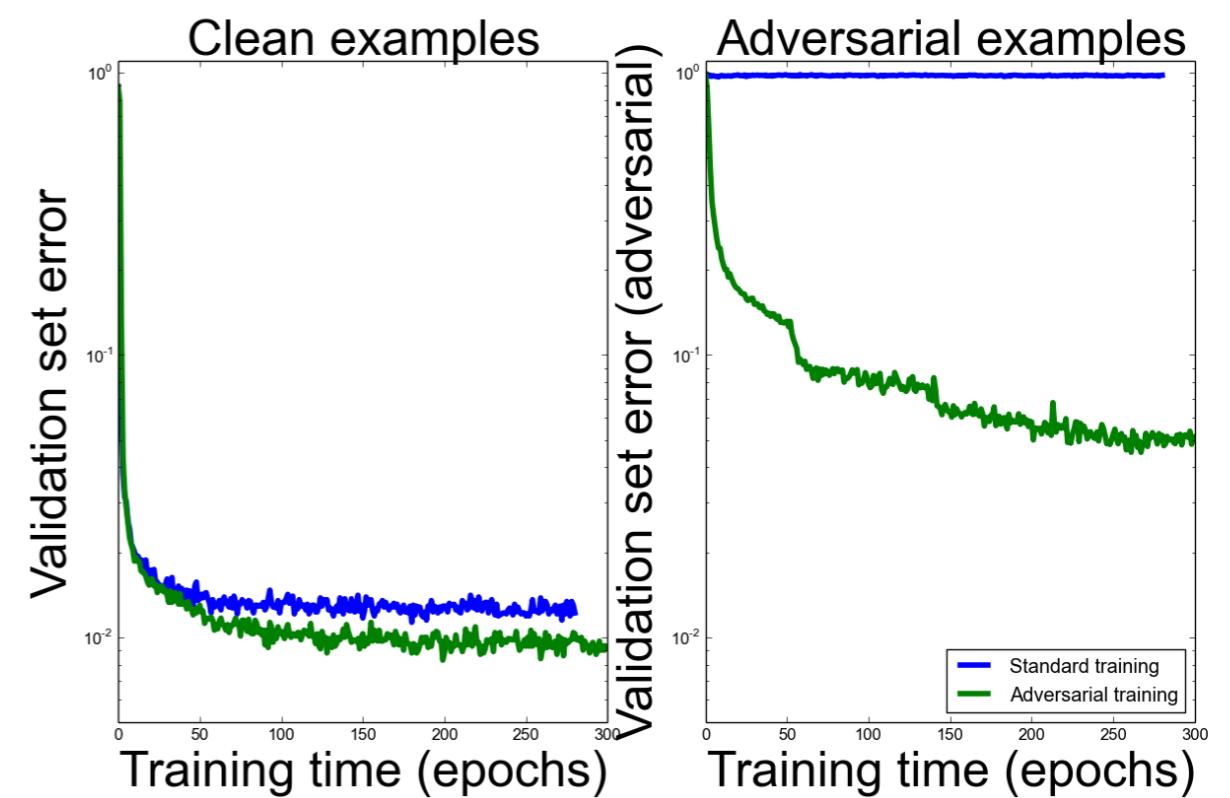
Compute adversaries cheaply with gradient.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{panda} & + .007 \times & \text{nematode} \\ \text{x} & & \text{sign}(\nabla_x J(\theta, x, y)) \\ \text{"panda"} & & \text{"nematode"} \\ 57.7\% \text{ confidence} & & 8.2\% \text{ confidence} \\ & = & \\ & & \text{x} + \\ & & \epsilon \text{sign}(\nabla_x J(\theta, x, y)) \\ & & \text{"gibbon"} \\ & & 99.3 \% \text{ confidence} \end{array}$$

- Generate adversarial examples by back-propagating the loss from the classifier.
- Requires two passes of the network for every image example.

Harnessing adversaries for improves network training.

- Consider adversarial examples as another form of data augmentation.
- Achieved state of the art results on MNIST digit classification (error rate = 0.78%)
- Model becomes resistant to adversarial examples (error rate 89.4% —> 17.9%).

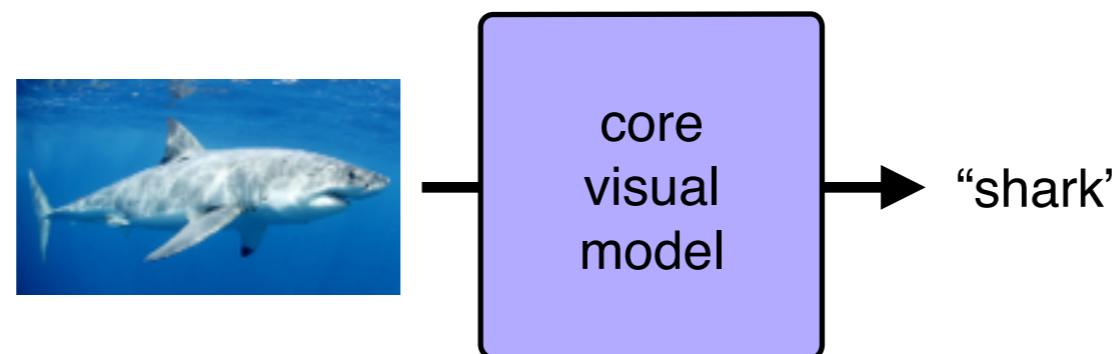


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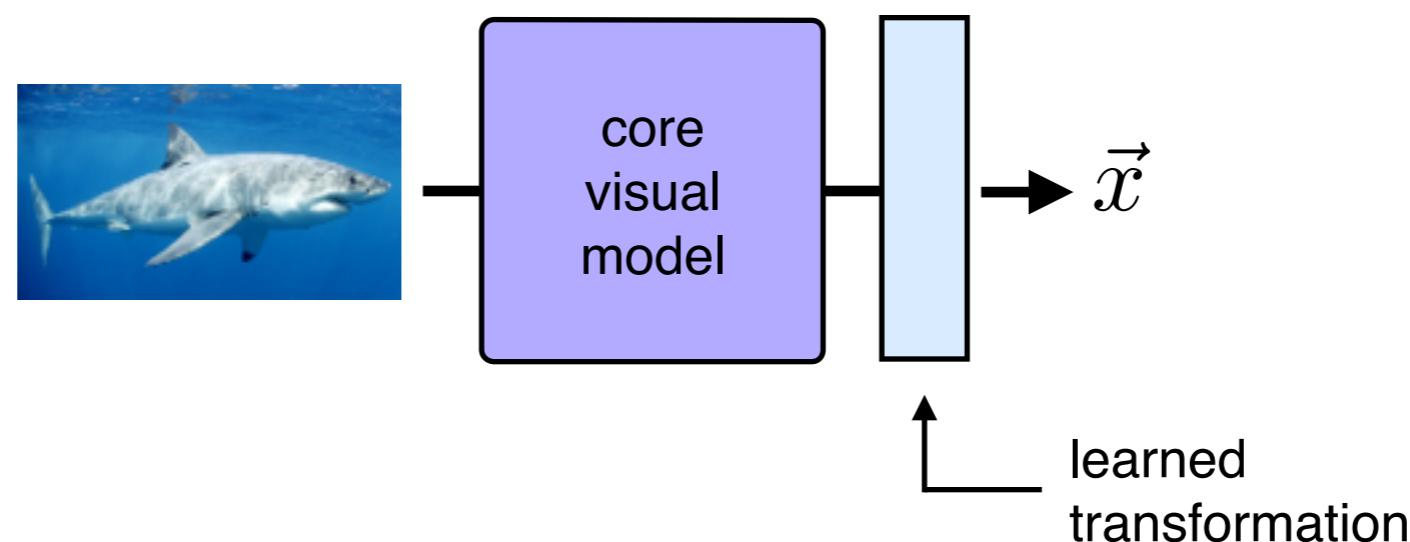
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Classification versus embedding.

- Traditional image models make predictions within a fixed, discrete dictionary.

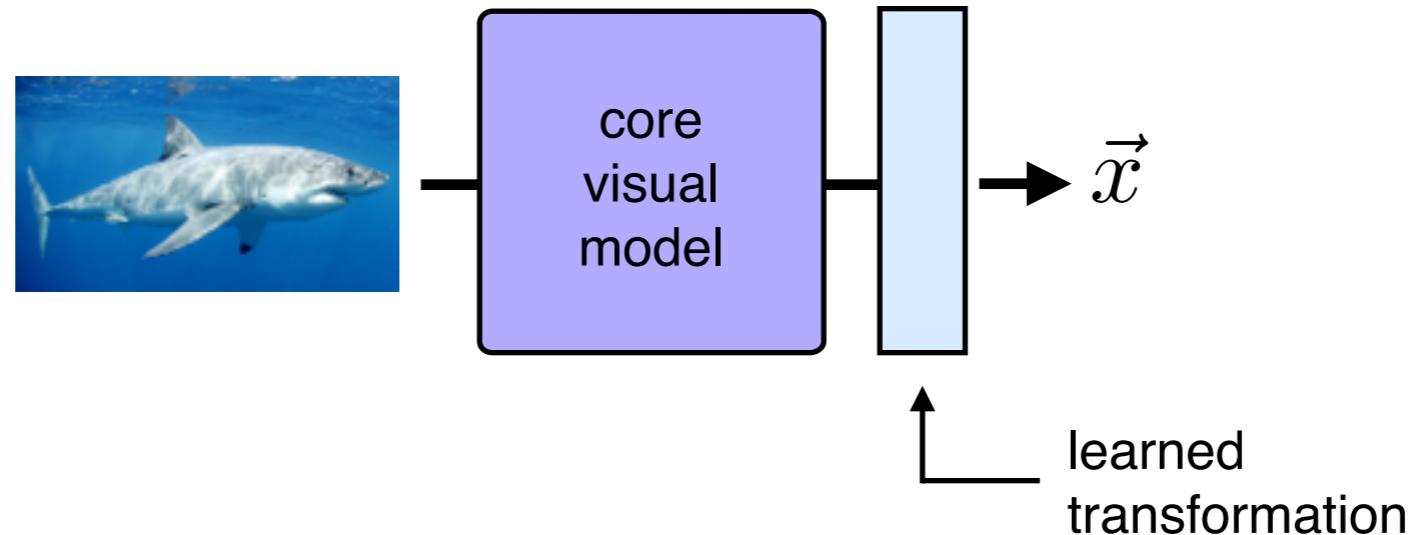


- Why restrict ourselves to classification? Embeddings are far more rich and generic.



Domain transfer in visual domain.

- Embeddings from visual models can be applied “out of the box” to other visual problems.



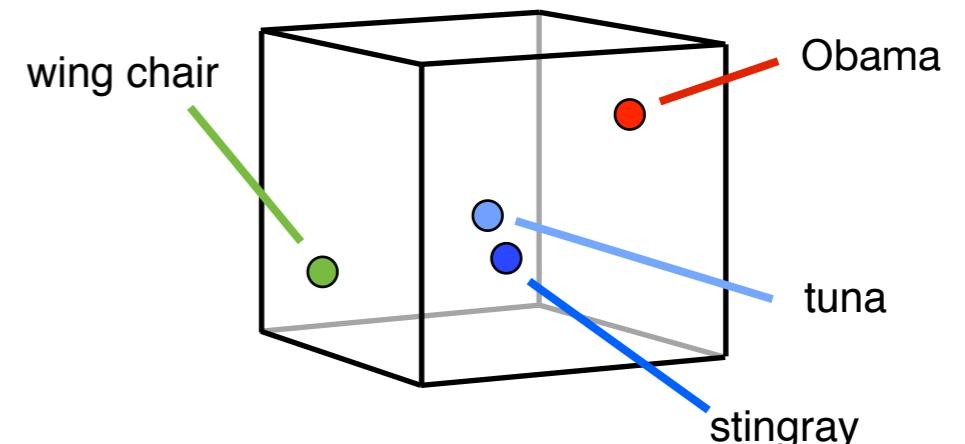
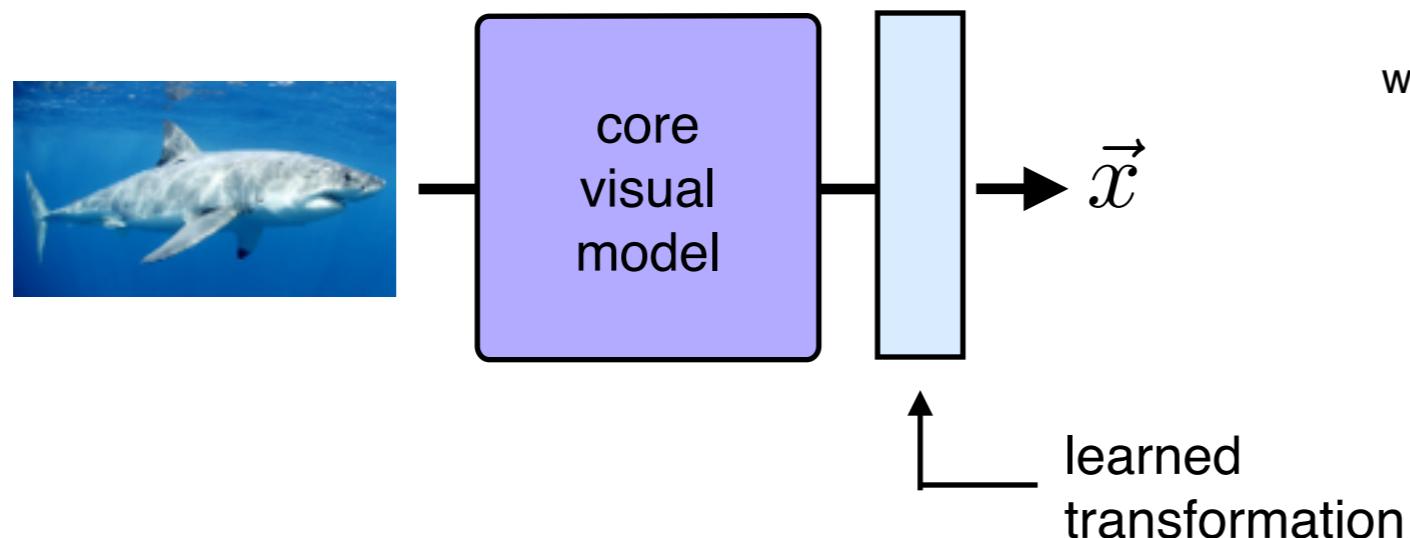
- Embedding are just vectors. Why restrict ourselves to one domain?

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- Train embeddings to predict into language model space.



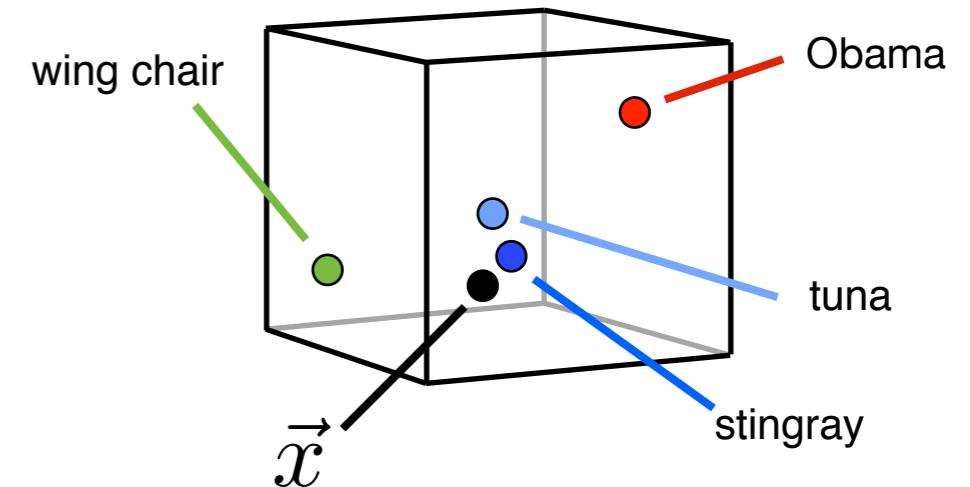
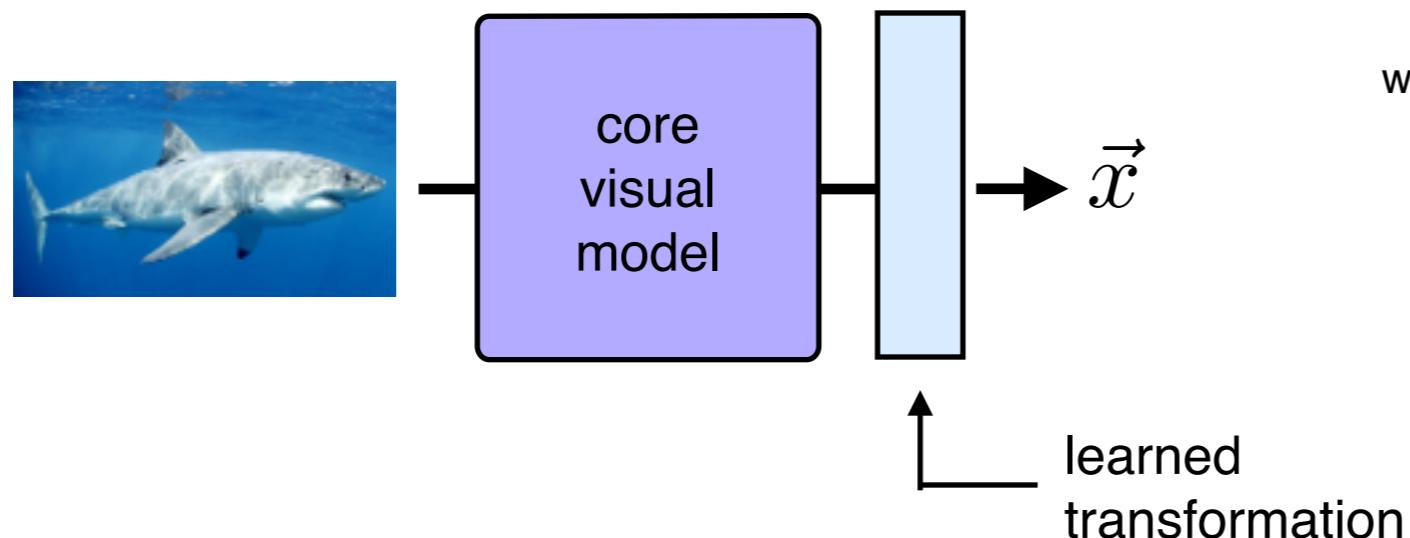
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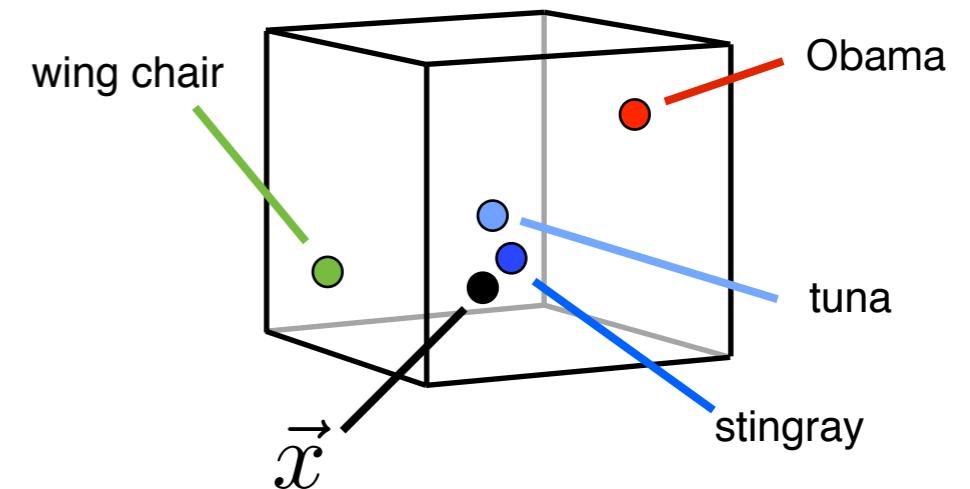
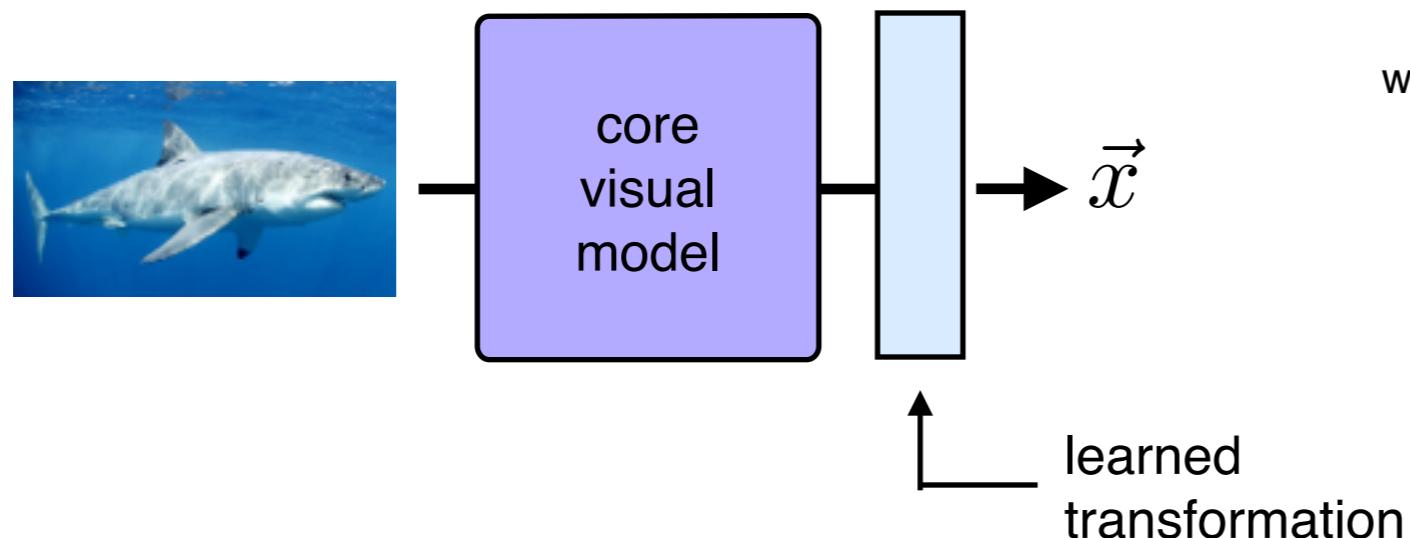
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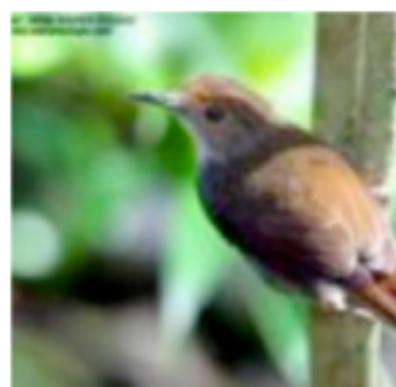
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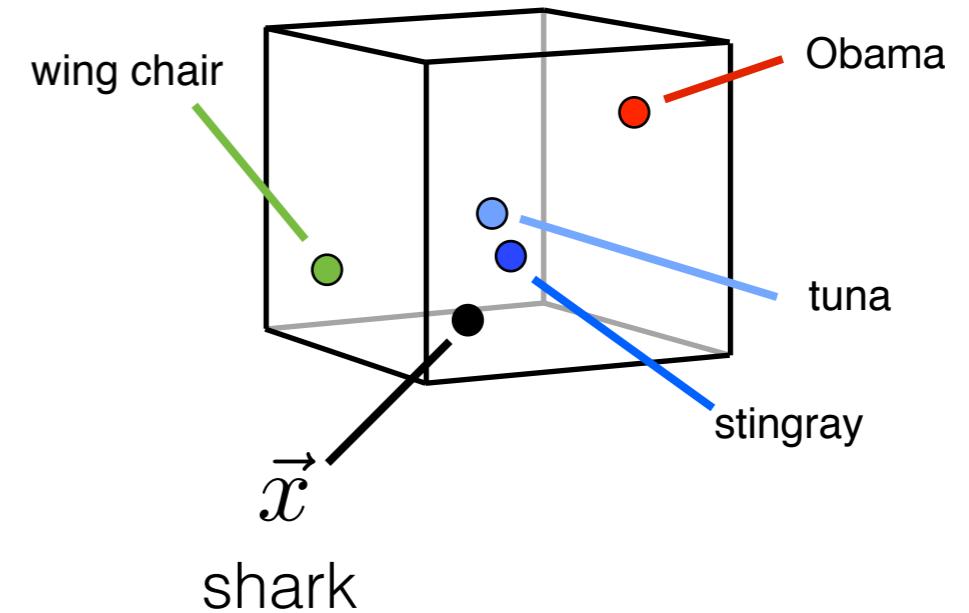
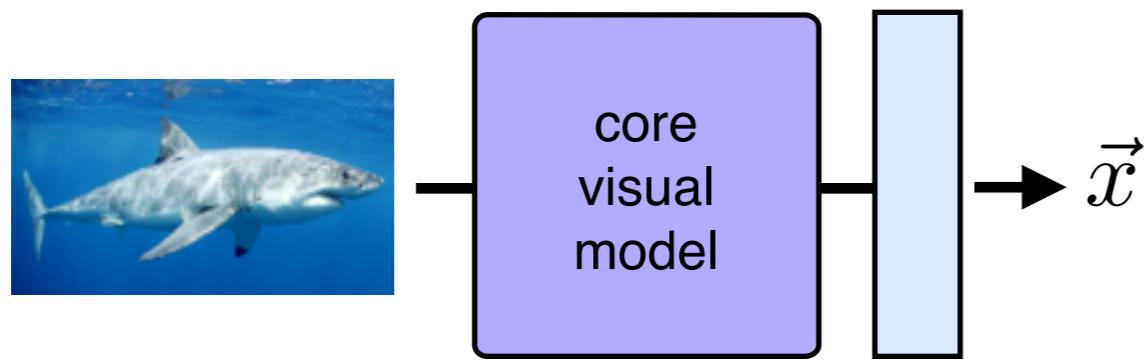
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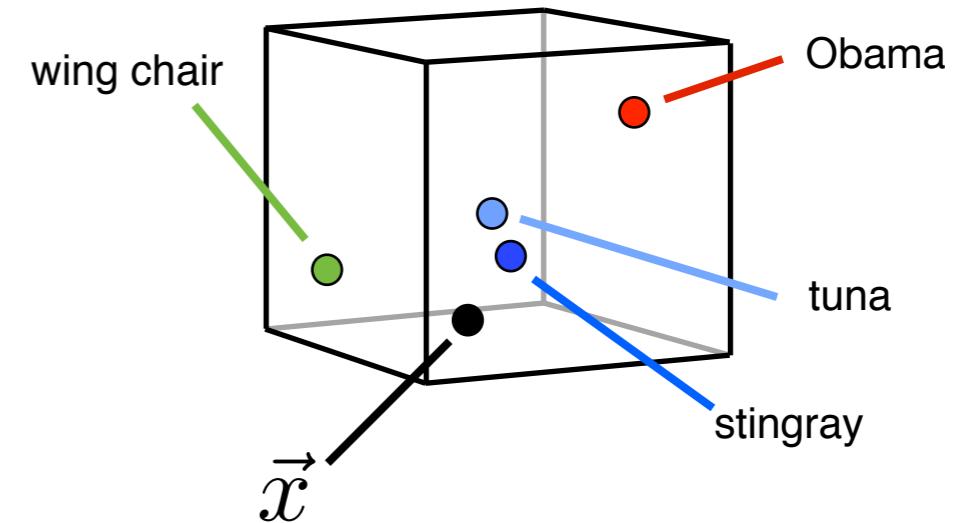
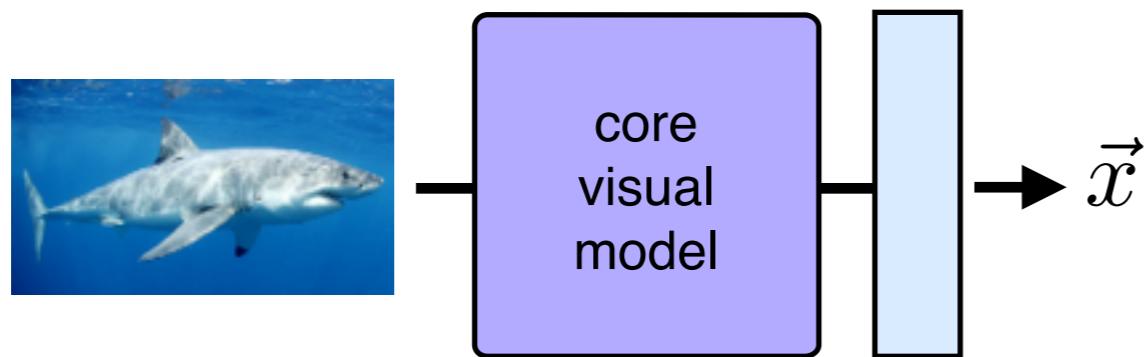
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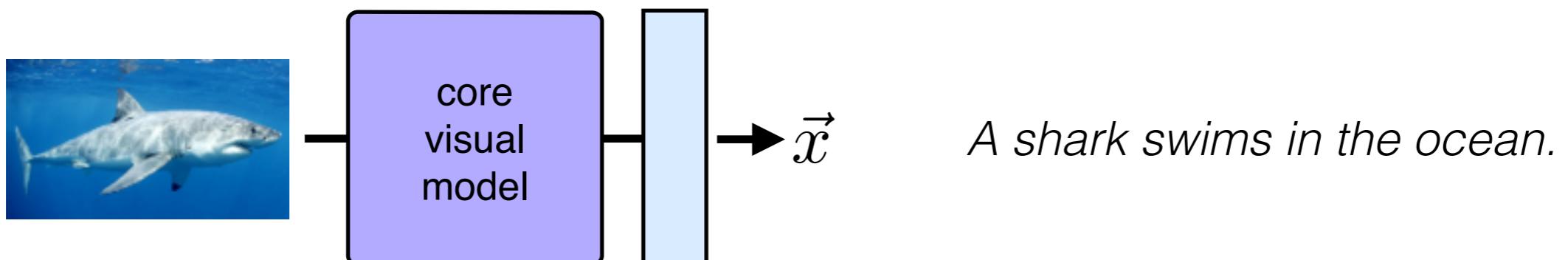
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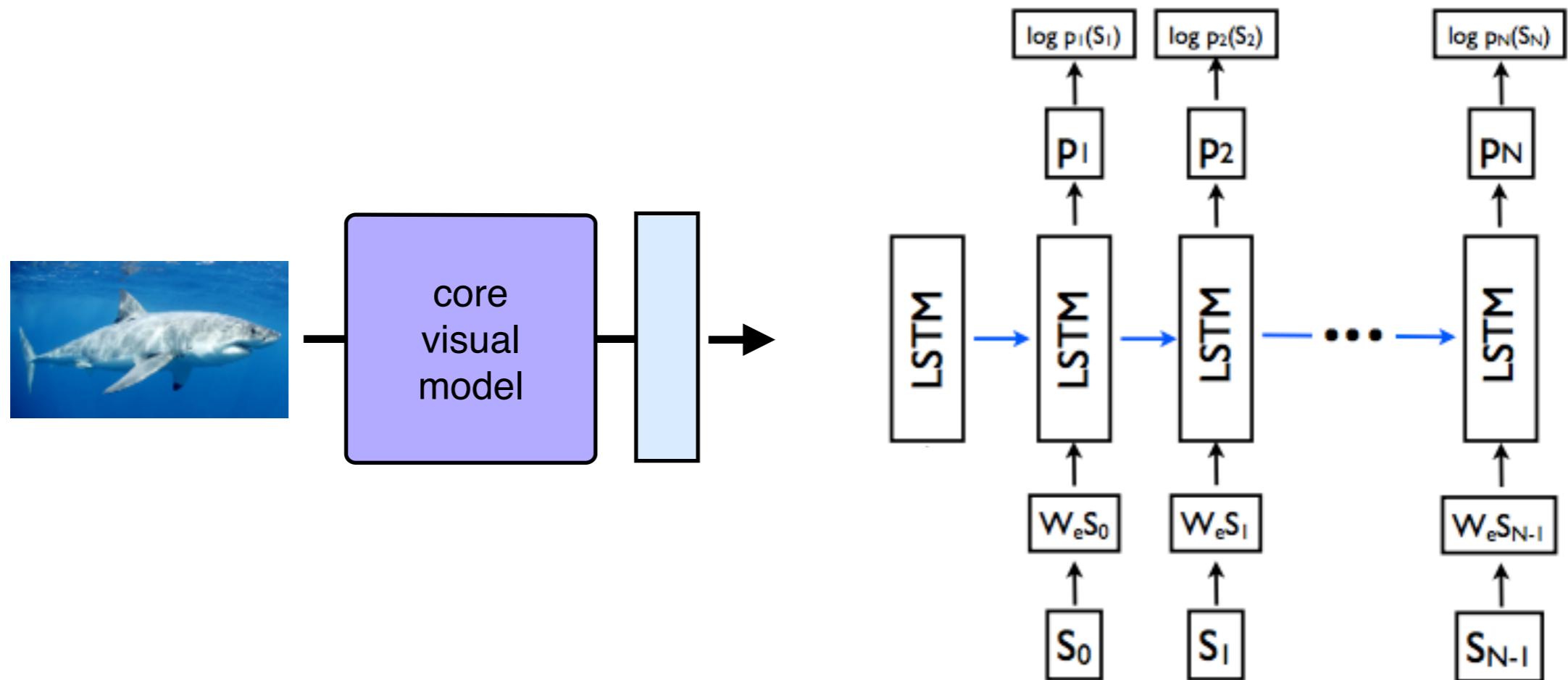
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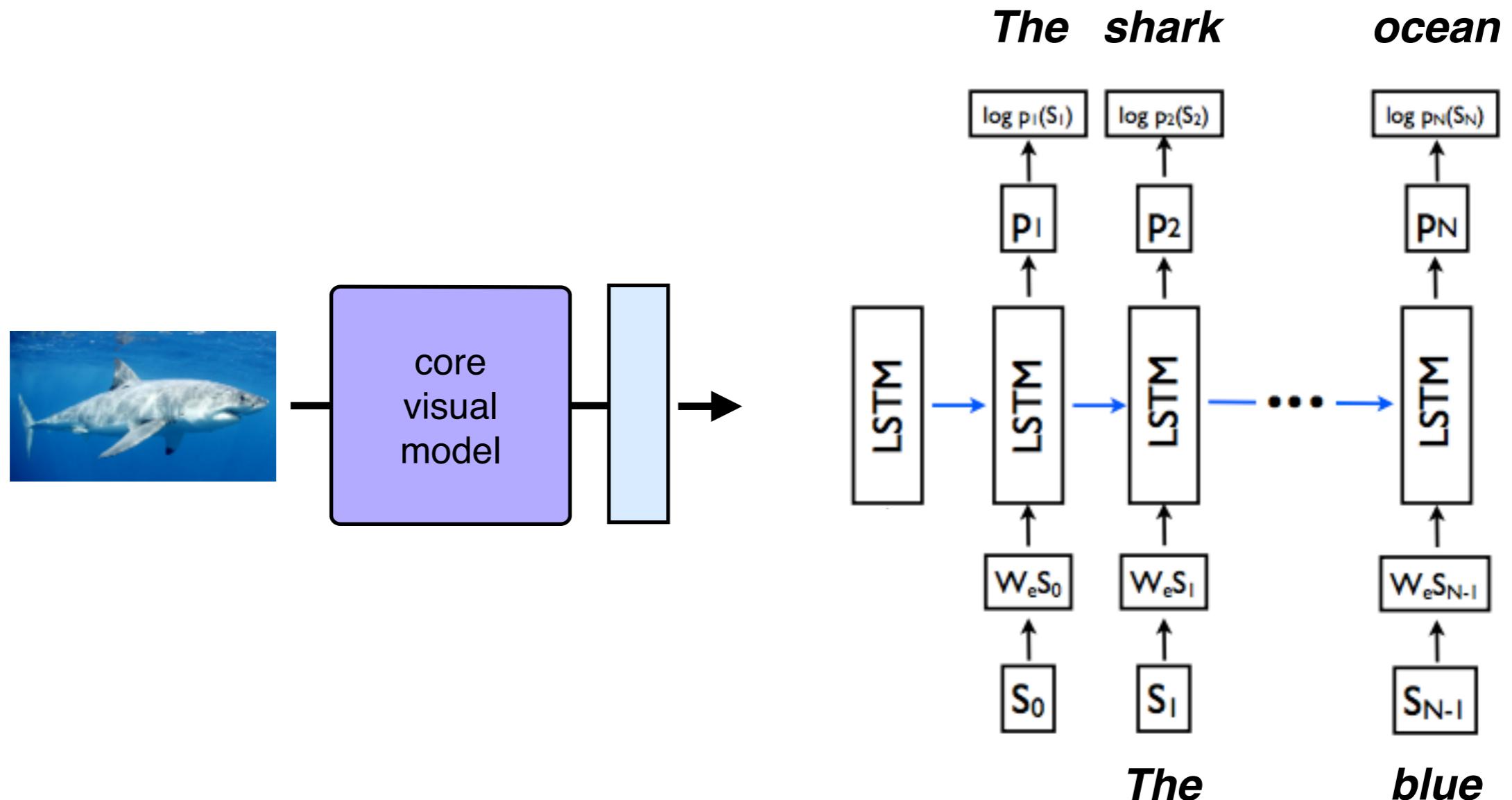
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A person riding a motorcycle on a dirt road.



Two dogs play in the grass.



A skateboarder does a trick on a ramp.



A dog is jumping to catch a frisbee.



A group of young people playing a game of frisbee.



Two hockey players are fighting over the puck.



A little girl in a pink hat is blowing bubbles.



A refrigerator filled with lots of food and drinks.



A herd of elephants walking across a dry grass field.



A close up of a cat laying on a couch.



A red motorcycle parked on the side of the road.



A yellow school bus parked in a parking lot.



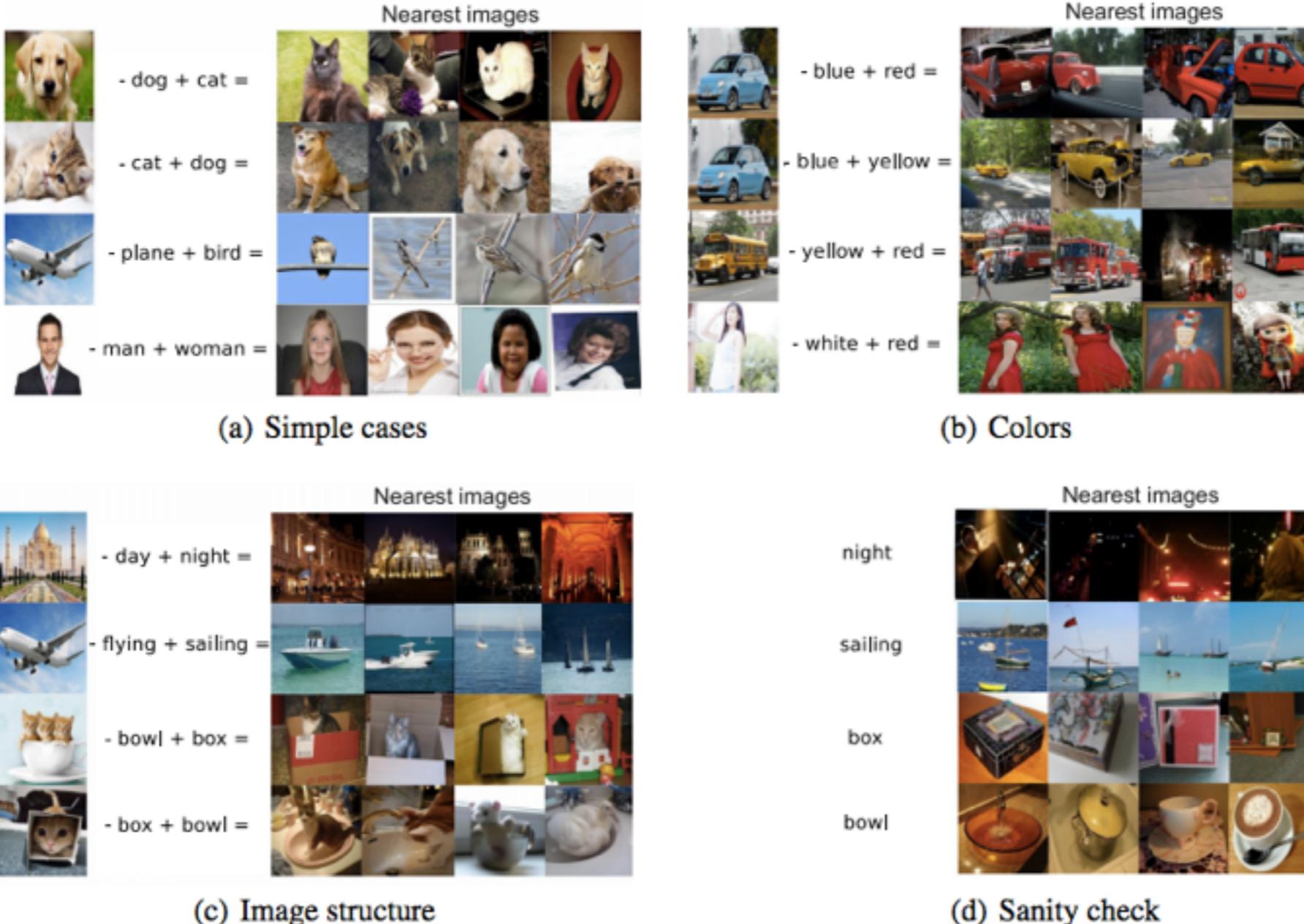
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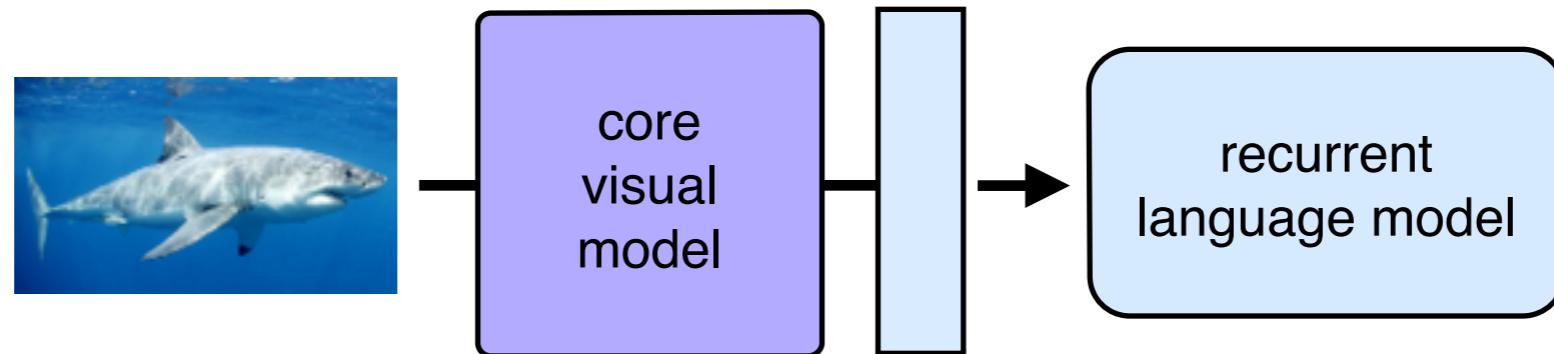
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Exploiting the regularities in the language model



Synthesizing vision and language models.

- Language is not just a bag of words but a sequence of words expressing an idea.



Deep Visual-Semantic Alignments for Generating Image Descriptions
A Karpathy and L Fei Fei (2014)

Show and Tell: A Neural Image Caption Generator
O Vinyals et al (2014)

Unifying Visual-Semantic Embeddings with Multimodal Neural Language Models
R Kiros, R Salakhutdinov, R Zemel (2014)

Explain Images with Multimodal Recurrent Neural Networks
J Mao, W Xu, Y Yang, J Wang, A Yuille (2014)

Long-term Recurrent Convolutional Networks for Visual Recognition and Description
J Donohue et al (2014)

Show, Attend and Tell: Neural Image Caption Generation with Visual Attention
K Xu et al (2015)

The unsung hero is the data.

Microsoft COCO: Common Objects in Context

Tsung-Yi Lin
James Hays

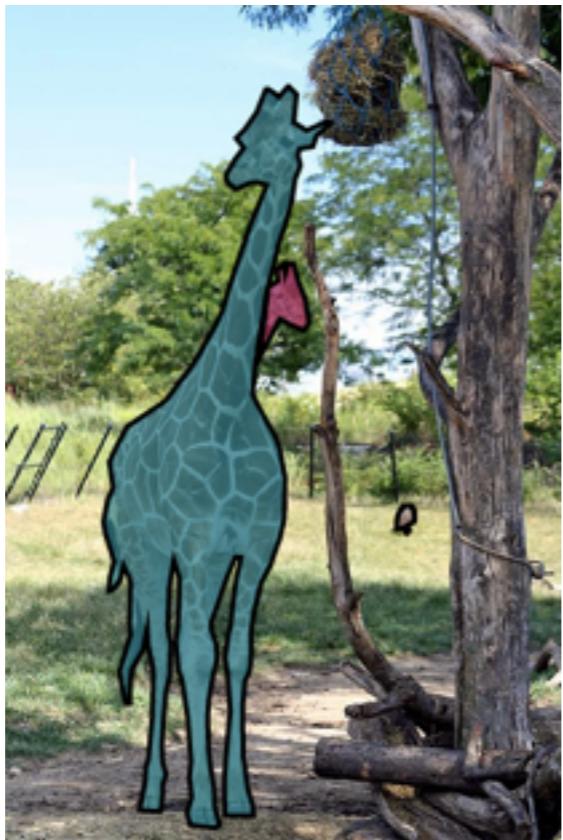
Michael Maire
Pietro Perona

Serge Belongie
Deva Ramanan

Lubomir Bourdev
C. Lawrence Zitnick

Ross Girshick

Piotr Dollár



a giraffe has it's head up to a small tree.
a giraffe in a pen standing under a tree.
giraffe standing next to a wooden tree-like structure.
a tall giraffe standing next to a tree
a giraffe in an enclosure standing next to a tree.

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LSTM's and video

- Consider this a placeholder. Please search for the paper online.

Beyond Short Snippets: Deep Networks for Video Classification

J Ng, M Hausknecht, S Vijayanarasimhan, R Monga, O Vinyals, G Toderici

Naively porting image recognition to video.

- Train a model on ImageNet but score individual video frames from a YouTube video.

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fox = 0.63



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fox = 0.45

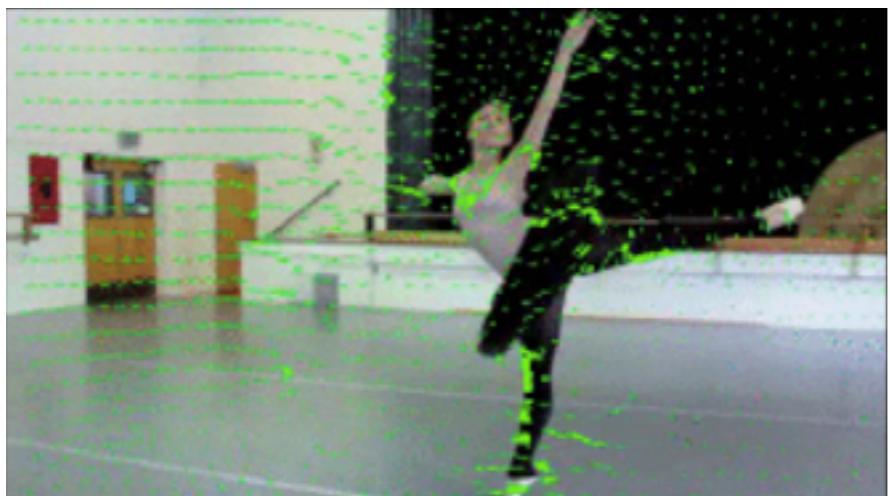


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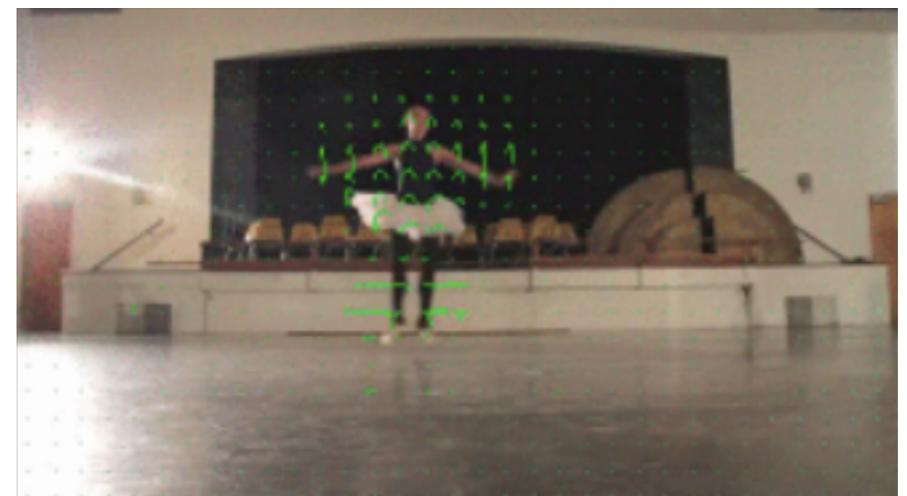
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= AtP7au_Q9w&t=171](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AtP7au_Q9w&t=171)

Video presents an amazing opportunity.

- Temporal contiguity and motion signals offers an enormous clue for what images should be labeled the same.



tracking
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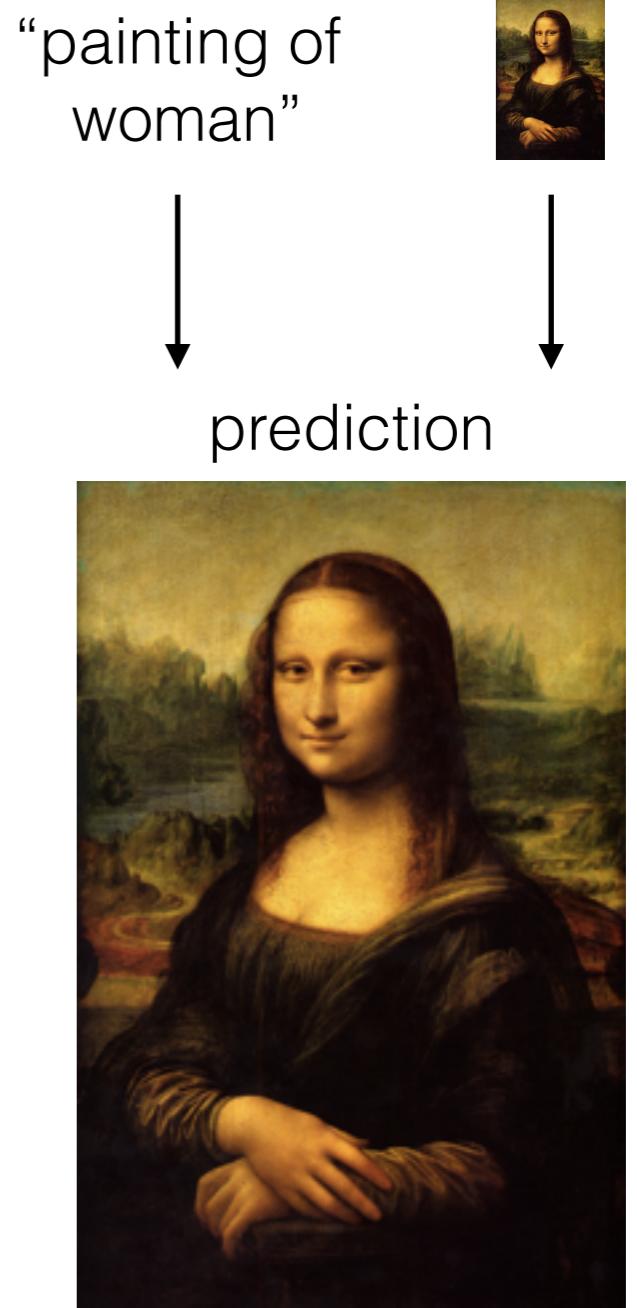


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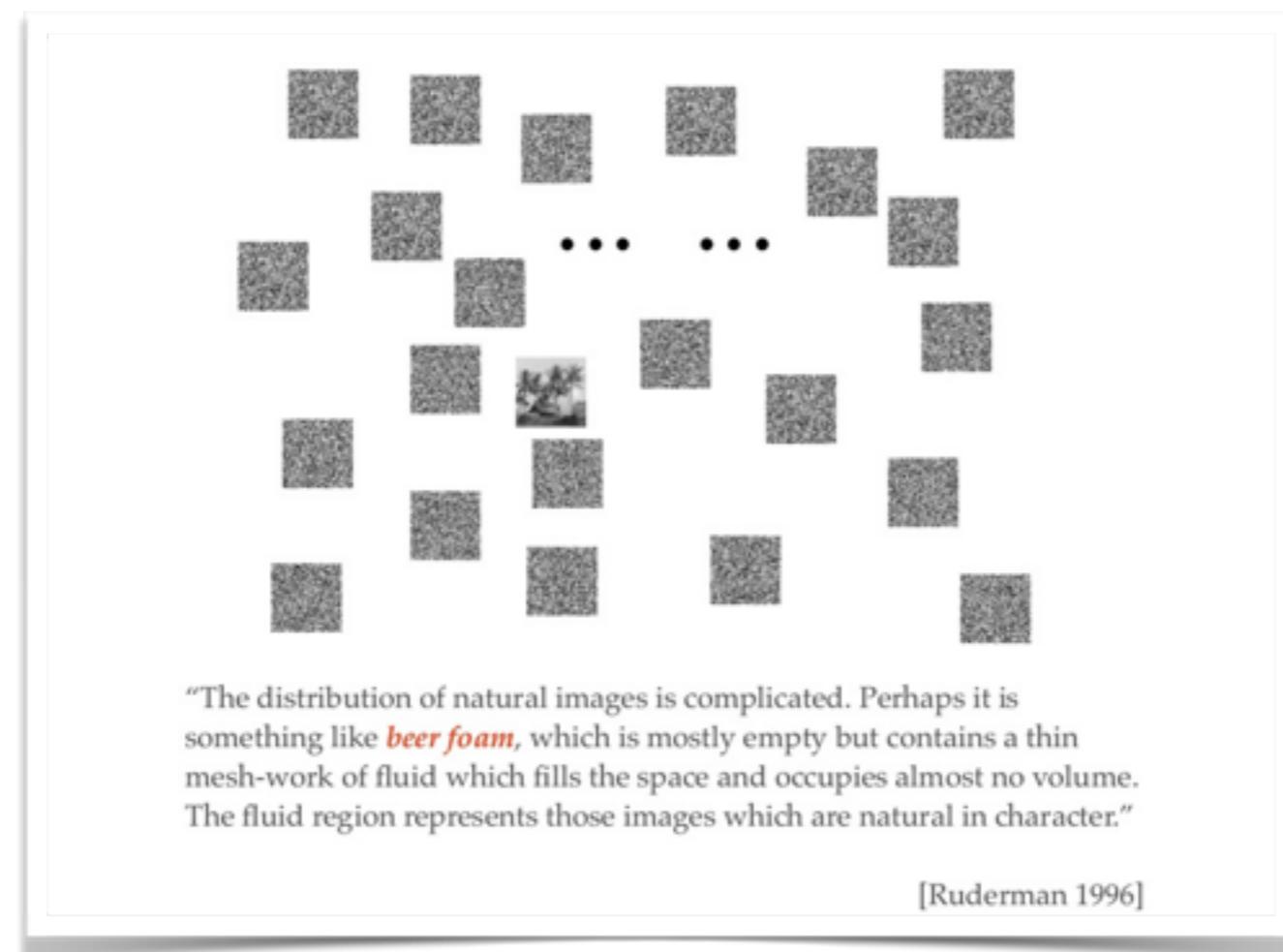
Synthesizing images is a holy grail.

- Image restoration
 - de-noising, super-resolution, de-mosaicing, in-painting, etc.
- Compression and hashing method
- Debugging and visualizing the state of a CNN network.



Synthesizing images is a challenging domain

- Images reside in a high dimensional space.
- Higher order correlations exist between individual pixels or groups of pixels.



Consider synthesizing an image sequentially.

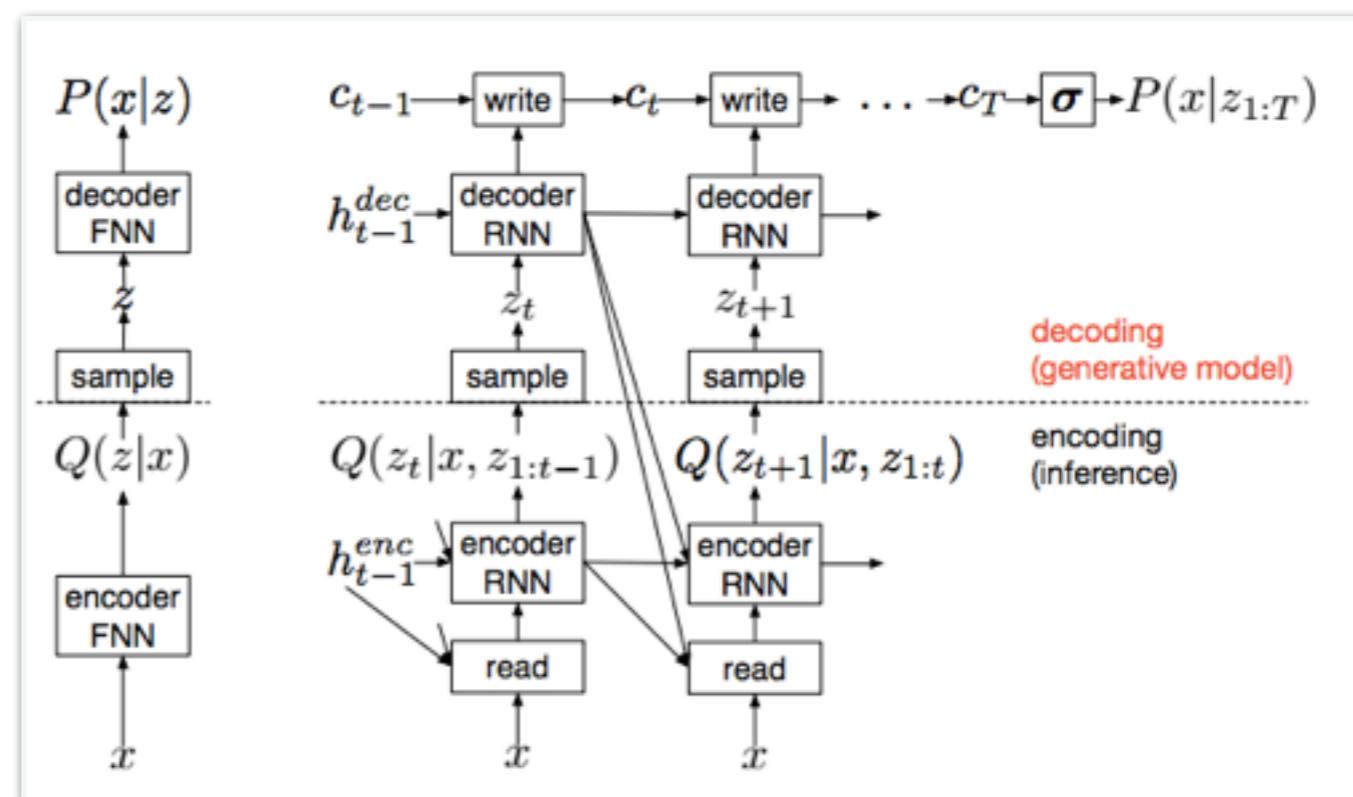
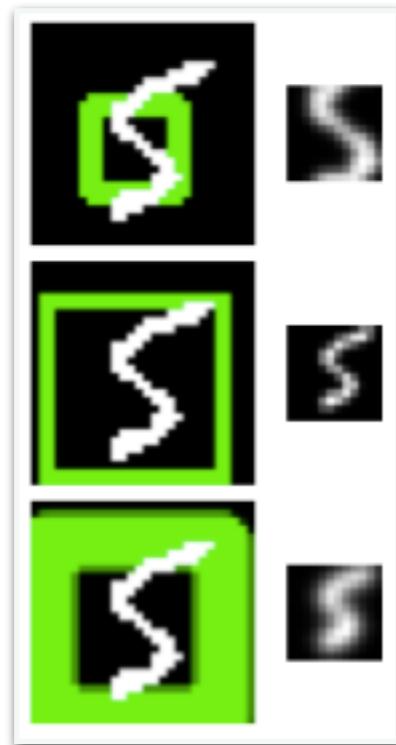
- Network must make a series of consistent predictions.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zt-7MI9eKEo>

Network employs attention and recurrence.

- Variational auto-encoder + LSTM network.
- Learned selective attention mechanism for drawing and reading an image.

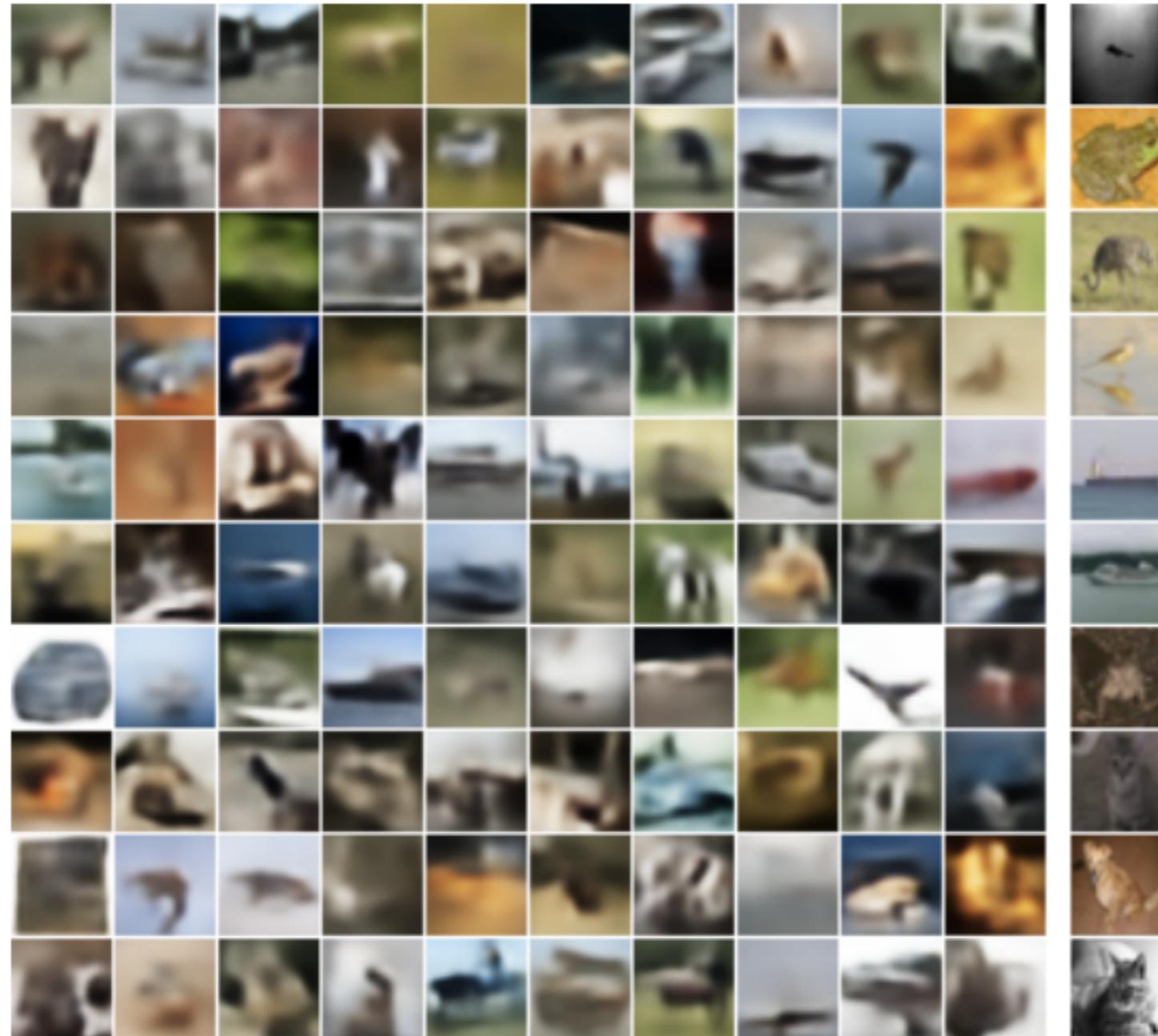


Synthesized street view house numbers



DRAW: A Recurrent Neural Network For Image Generation
K Gregor, I Danihelka, A Graves, D Wierstra (2015)

Synthesized CIFAR-10 image patches



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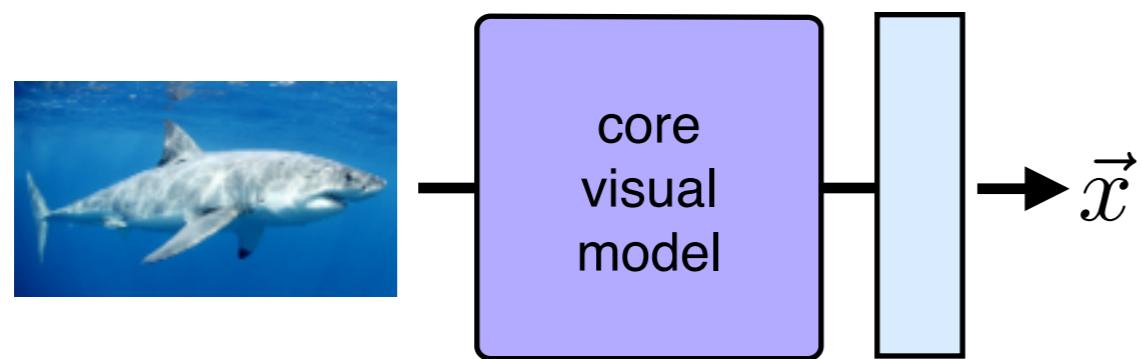
It's not just about recognizing images.

- Synthesizing images is an open domain to apply convolutional architectures.
- Combining images with other modalities.
- We haven't even discussed depth.
- How might we curate public data sets to enable this research?

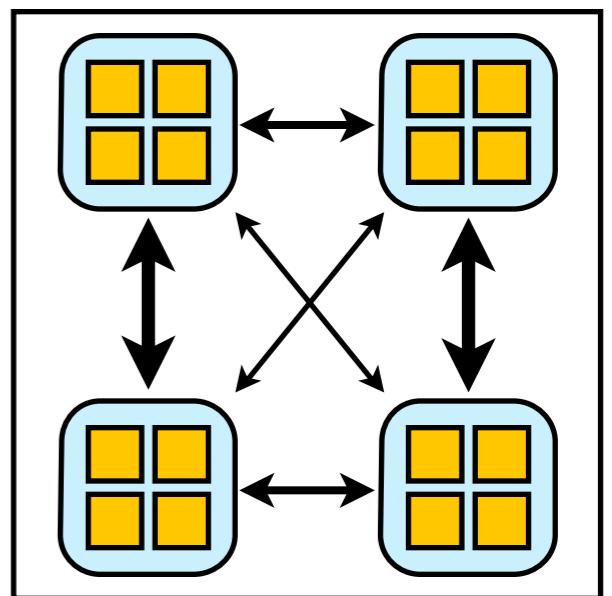
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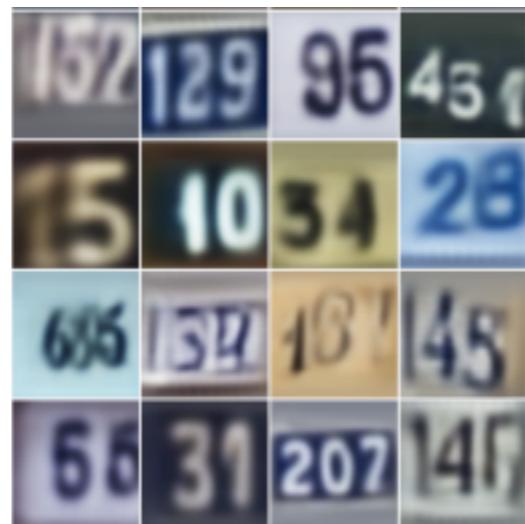
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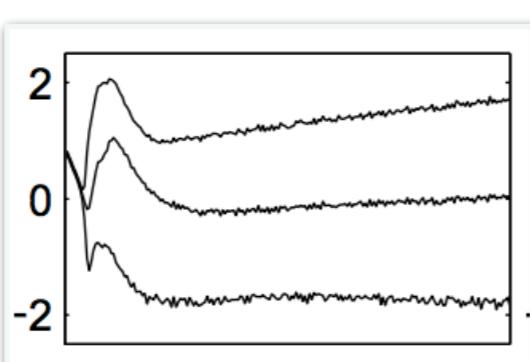
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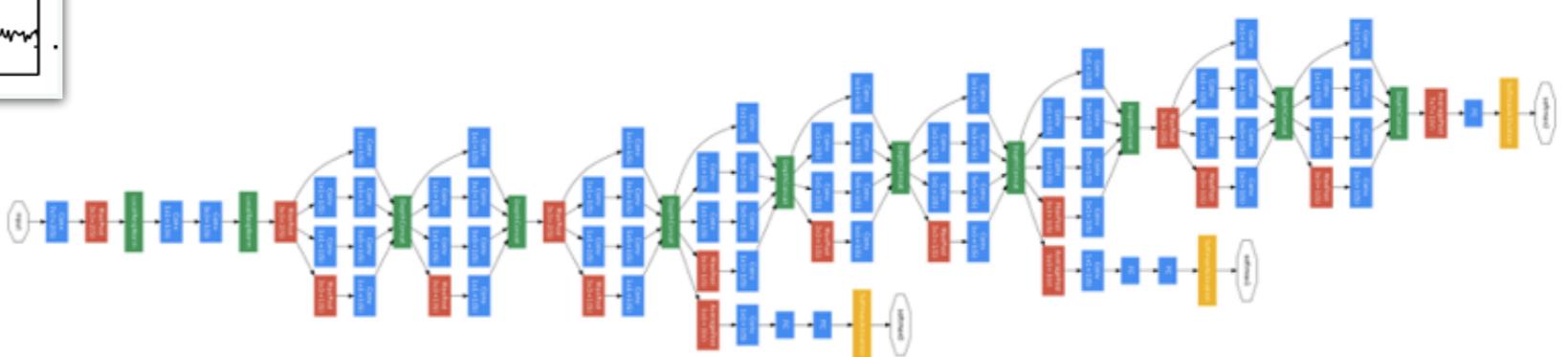
synthesis



Optimization



Inception



Themes

- Vision as a plug-in.
- Transfer learning across modalities.
- Training methods accelerate development of networks

