Introduction to Artificial Intelligence And Machine Learning

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Talk Summary

- What is Artificial Intelligence?
- Overview of ***some*** key AI areas:
  - Knowledge representation and reasoning
  - Machine learning
  - Image processing
  - Natural Language Processing

Example: Saving coral with AI

Example: Google duplex

AI Overview

What is AI as a discipline?

AI is a multidisciplinary area that draws from:

- Philosophy
- Linguistics
- Mathematics
- Engineering
- Computer Science
- Neuroscience
- Psychology
- Biology

What are the key goals of AI?

- Develop better understanding of intelligence
- Develop computational methods for simulating intelligent behaviour
- More specifically:
  - Develop machines that can mimic human reasoning processes
  - Develop language and vision capability
  - Develop human like embodied agents (robots)
  - Ultimately perhaps machines that are human like or better

Knowledge representation and reasoning

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Goals of Knowledge representation:

- Codify human knowledge in a form that a computer can reason with
- Develop representation language for representing common sense knowledge and knowledge about the world
- Common use case : storing data extracted from the web

Current techniques:

- Symbolic knowledge representation focusses on representing knowledge using logic typically variants of *first order logic*.

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- Knowledge graphs are used to store massive knowledge bases
- For example, Amazon Alexa, Google assistant, Apple Siri all use knowledge graphs to answer your questions

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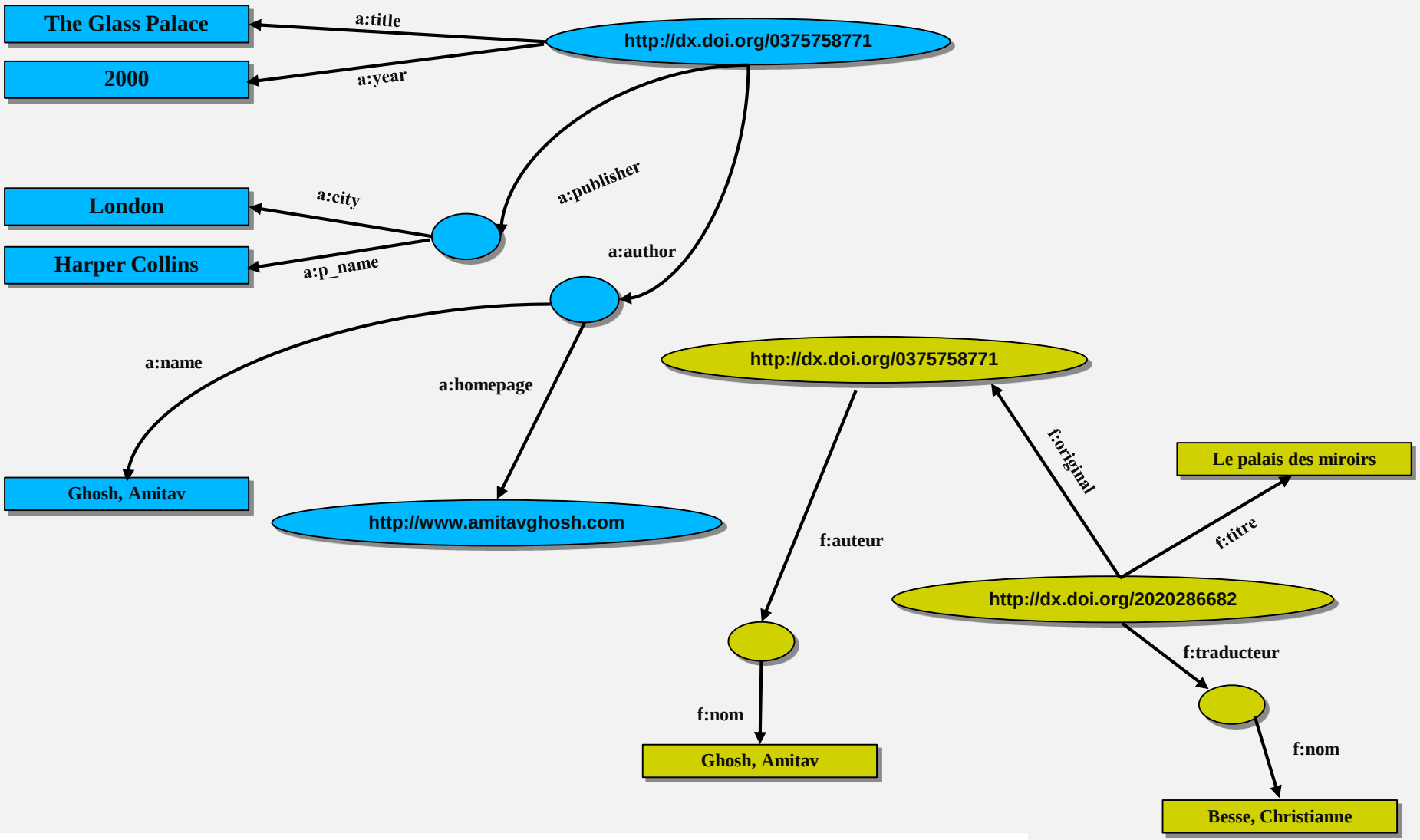

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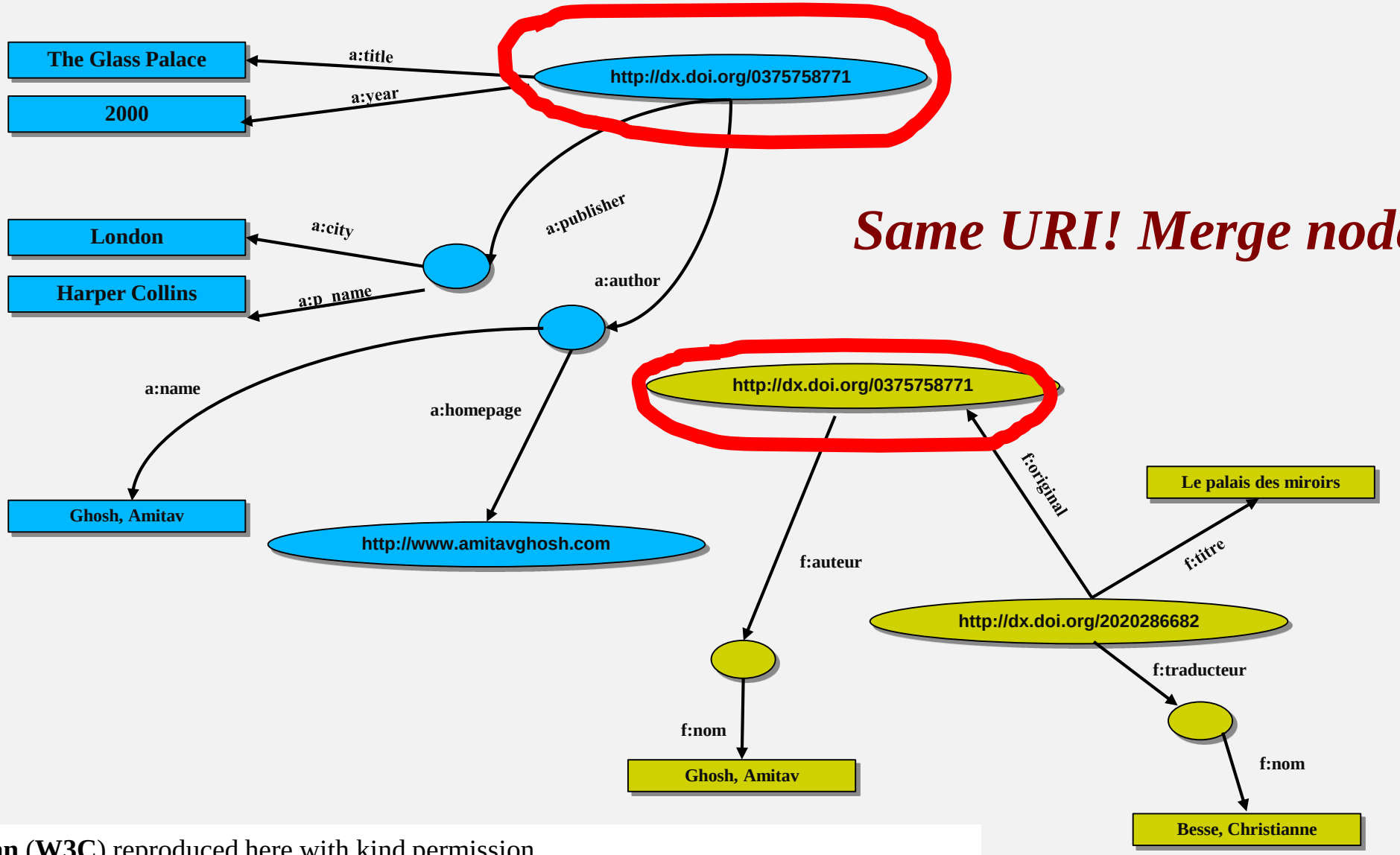

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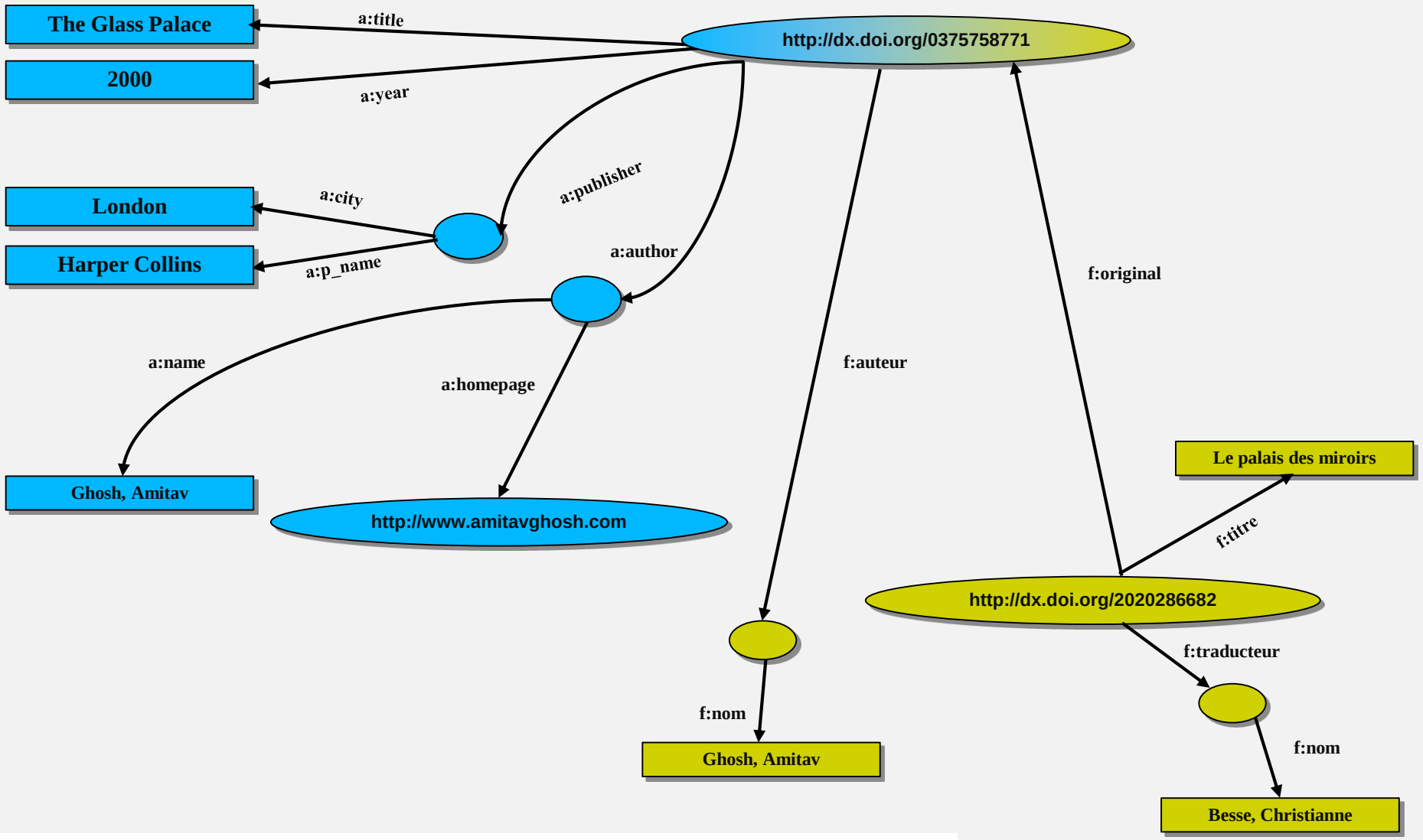

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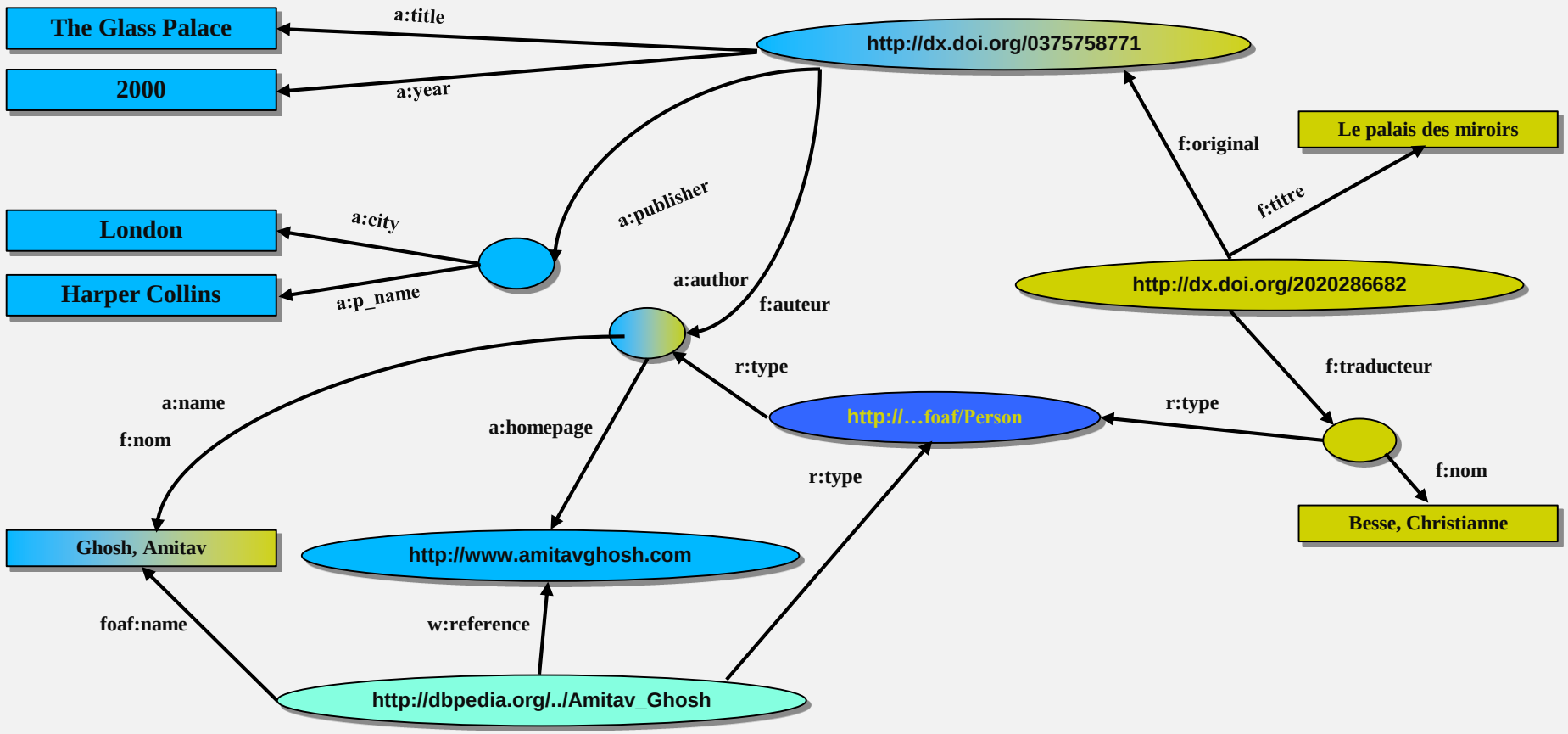

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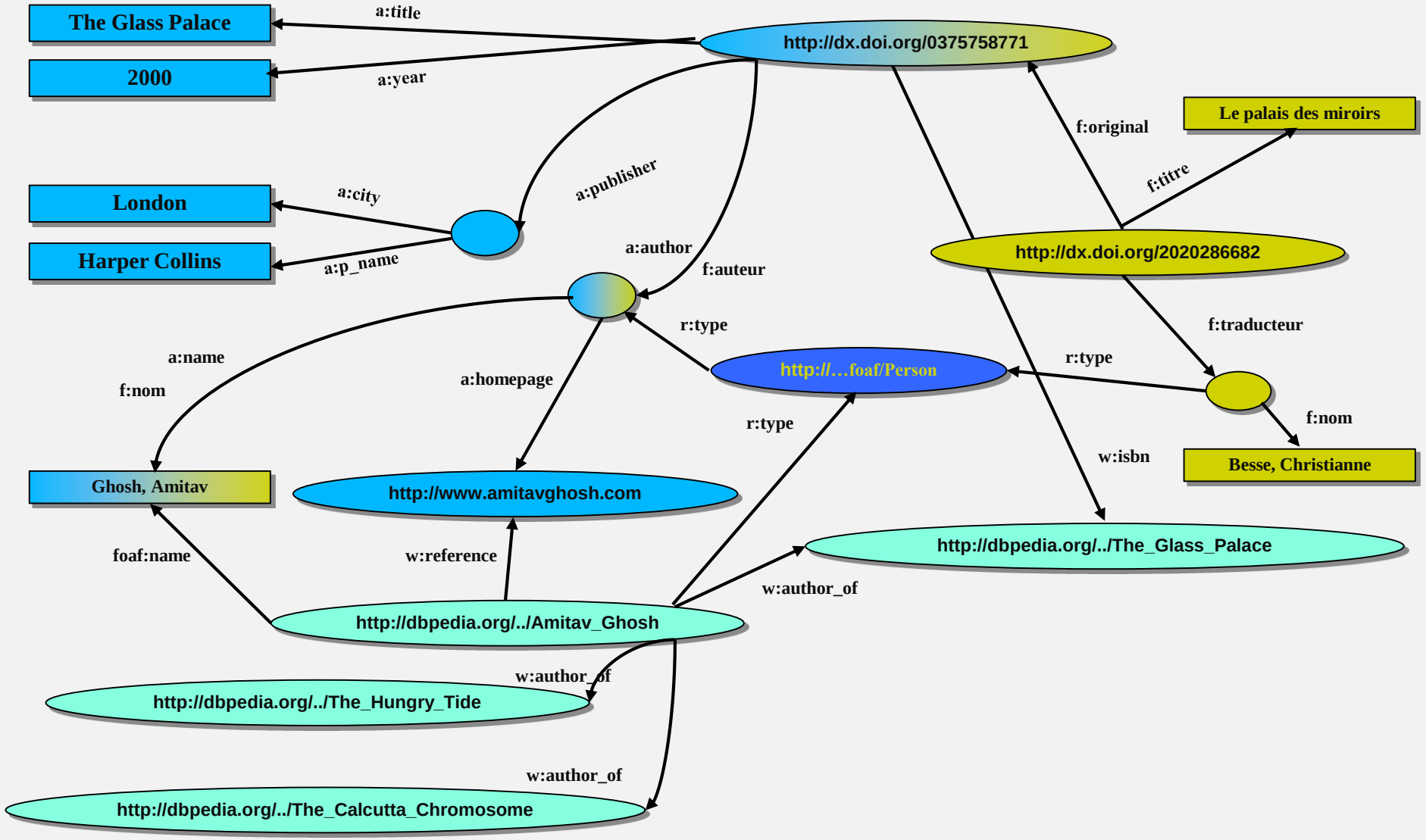

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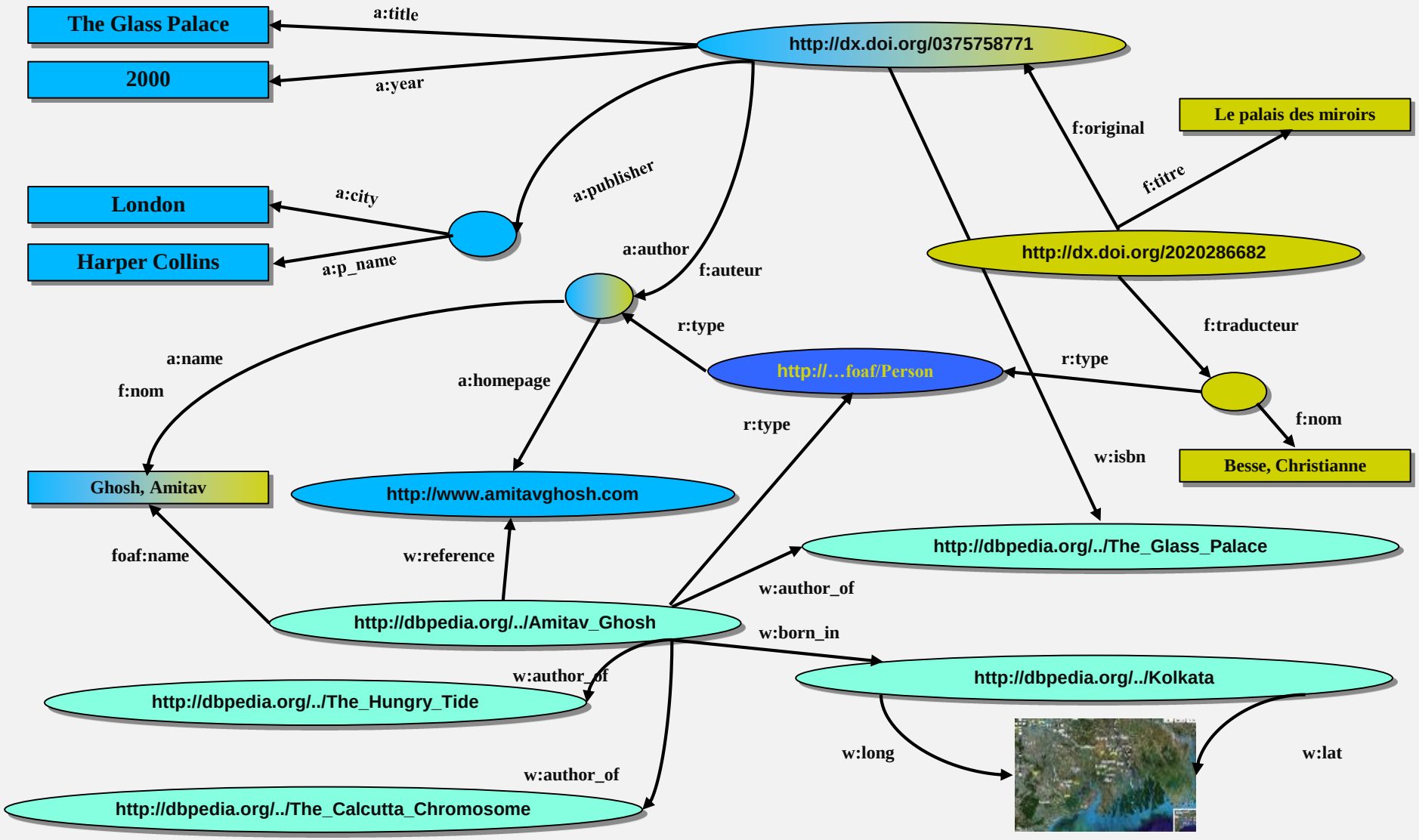

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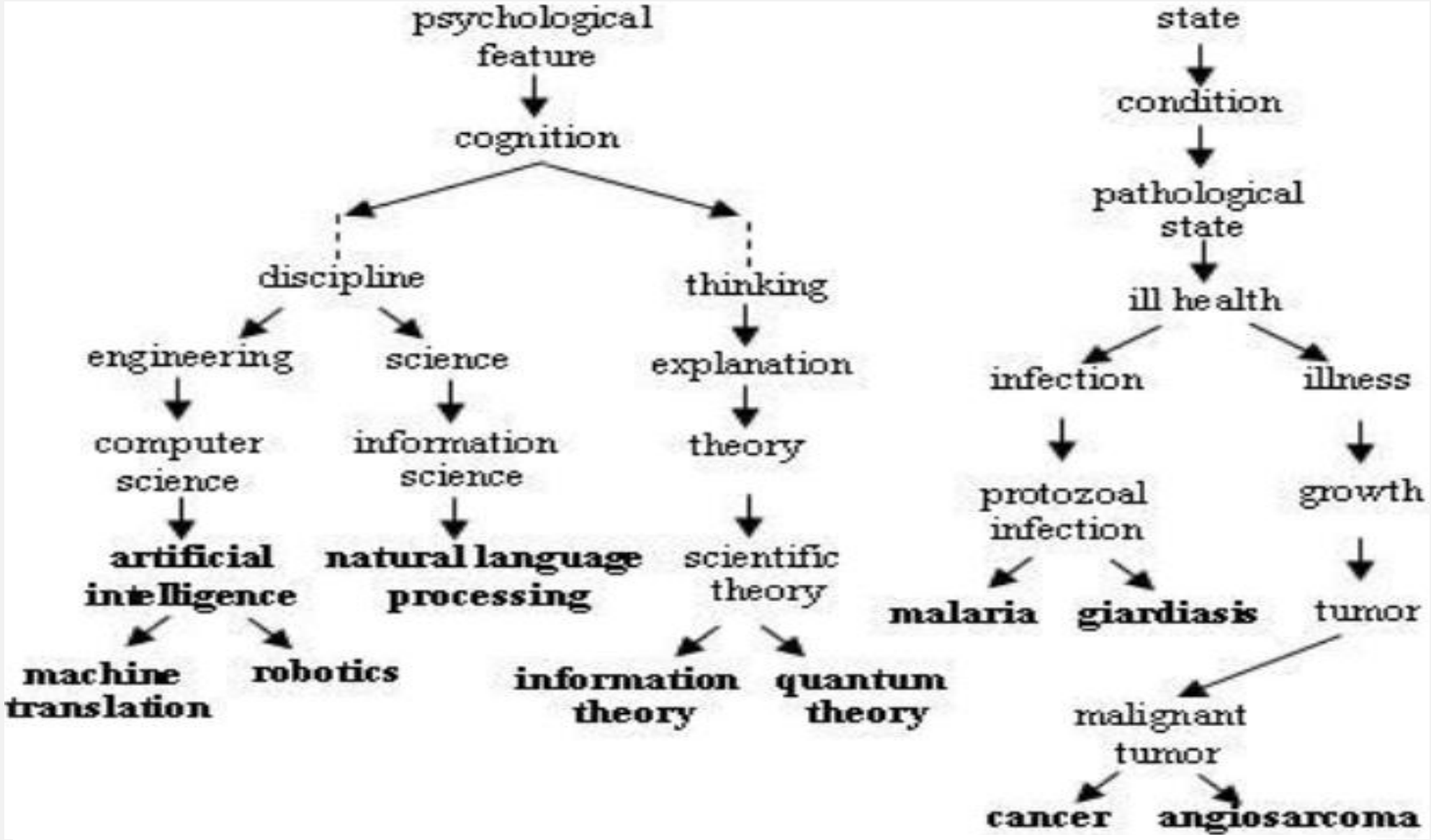
Examples of knowledge bases

- Gene – Protein coding
- 3D Protein folding
- Point of information databases
- Hospital patient record systems
- WordNet, EuroWordNet, HowNet for storing human lexical knowledge

Wordnet example



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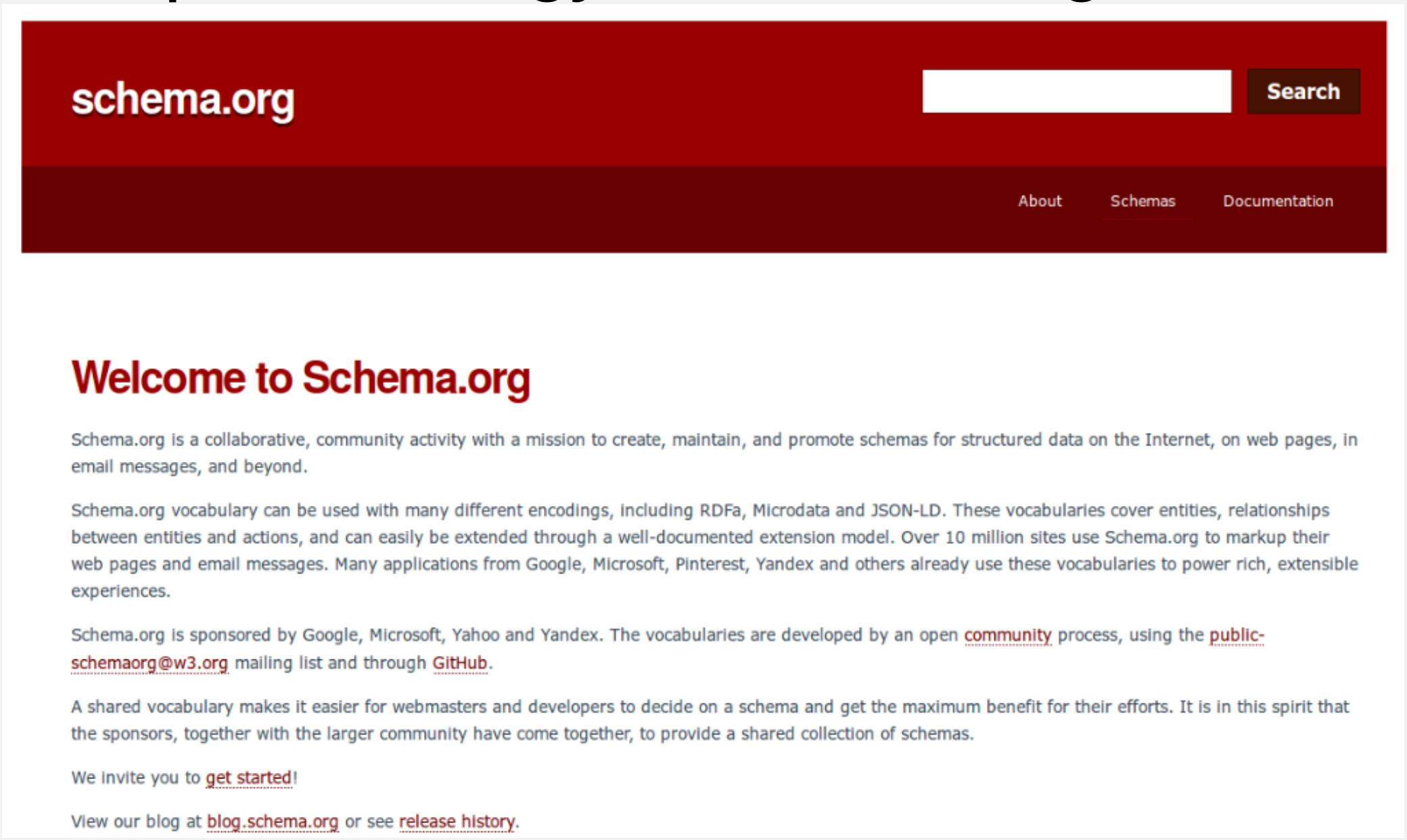

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Properties of the **Person** type shown below

Property	Expected Type	Description
Properties from Person		
additionalName	Text	An additional name for a Person, can be used for a middle name.
address	PostalAddress or Text	Physical address of the item.
affiliation	Organization	An organization that this person is affiliated with. For example, a school/university
alumniOf	EducationalOrganization or Organization	An organization that the person is an alumni of. Inverse property: alumni.
award	Text	An award won by or for this item. Supersedes awards.
birthDate	Date	Date of birth.
birthPlace	Place	The place where the person was born.
brand	Organization or Brand	The brand(s) associated with a product or service, or the brand(s) maintained by a
children	Person	A child of the person.
colleague	Person	A colleague of the person. Supersedes colleagues.
contactPoint	ContactPoint	A contact point for a person or organization. Supersedes contactPoints.

Google Knowledge Graph Video

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Reasoning using logic

- KR languages such as OWL (a WWW standard) provide **automated reasoning** mechanisms
- The automated reasoning mechanism ensures that data stored as knowledge graphs are **consistent**

Reasoning using logic

- **Example**: Every Person has a Father and a Mother who are also Persons

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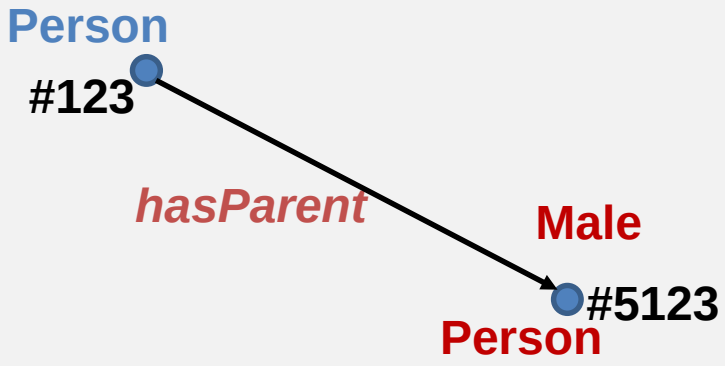

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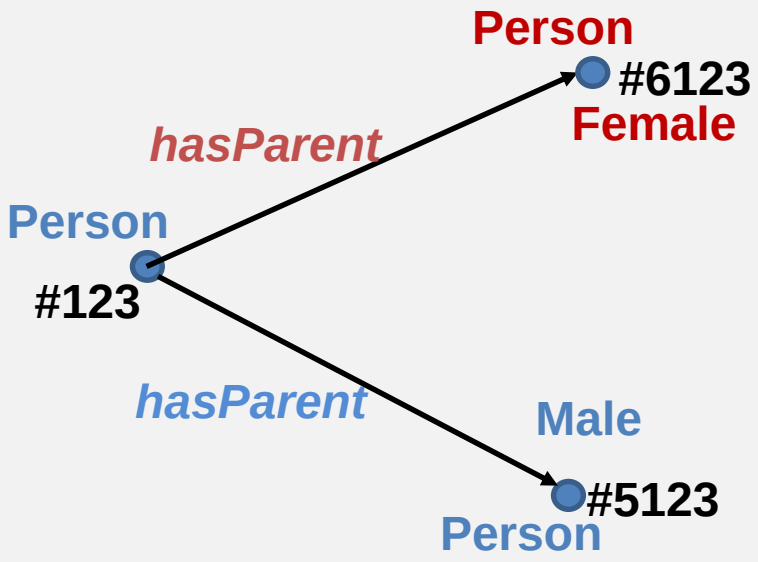

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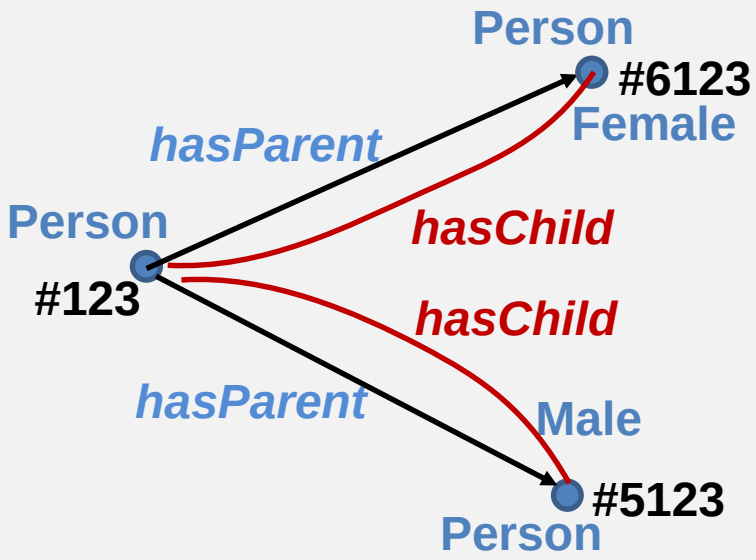

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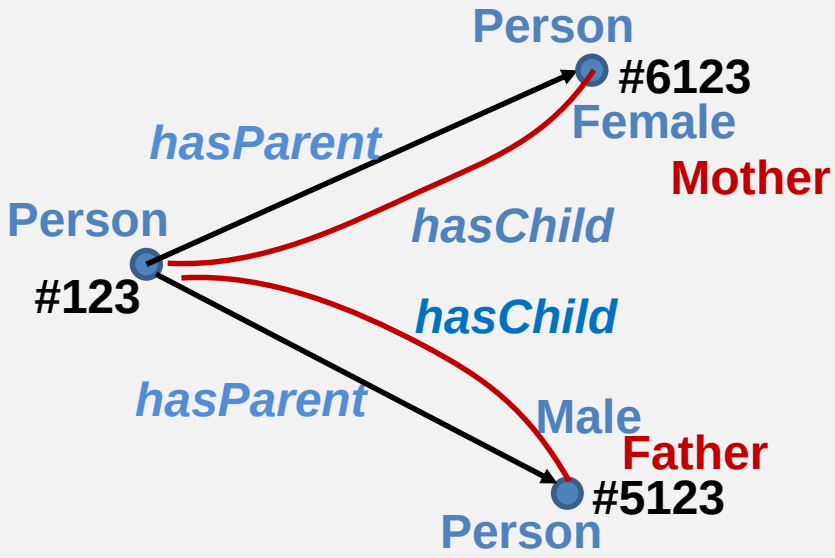

Machine Learning

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Supervised vs Unsupervised learning (Clustering)

- ***Supervised Learning***

In ***supervised learning***, we are given data along with the prediction we want to learn. For example, we want to predict **height** from **weight** and **age**:

weight	age	height
65	50	170
30	40	140

Data is typically collected from a real survey or experiment.

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Machine Learning

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- ***Unsupervised Learning***

In ***unsupervised learning***, we are given data without any predicted variable. The task is to group or cluster data points that are very similar to each other.

weight	age
85	50
30	40
32	42

The output of clustering would be set of inferred classes or labels. In this example, two people with similar weight and age have been grouped into class 1.

weight	age	class
85	50	2
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Machine Learning

Regression vs Classification

- ***Regression***

In ***regression***, we are predicting a ***continuous variable*** given other variables.

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- ***Classification***

In ***classification***, we are predicting a ***discrete variable*** given other variables.

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65	50	2
30	40	1
65	50	0

e.g. 2 = tall

1 = medium

0 = short

Learning with a single neuron

- ***Example**:* Suppose we want to be able to predict ***height*** given ***weight*** and ***age***
- One row of our input data might look like:

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- With some trial and error, we can work out a weighting scheme to weight each ***feature*** to predict the *variable of interest* (i.e. height)

- So, we have a formula like: height **= *w1* *** weight **+ *w2* *** age **+ *b***

- There are many solutions, can you choose suitable values of ***w1, w2, b*** so that we get the right answer of 170?

Learning with a single neuron

- ***Cheating**: **w1, w2 = 0, b = 170*** so we get
-
- height **= *0*** * 65 **+ *0*** * 50 **+ *170*** = 170

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- So what is wrong with it?

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- height **= - *0.3* *** 70 **+ *3* *** 40 **+ *40*** = 139

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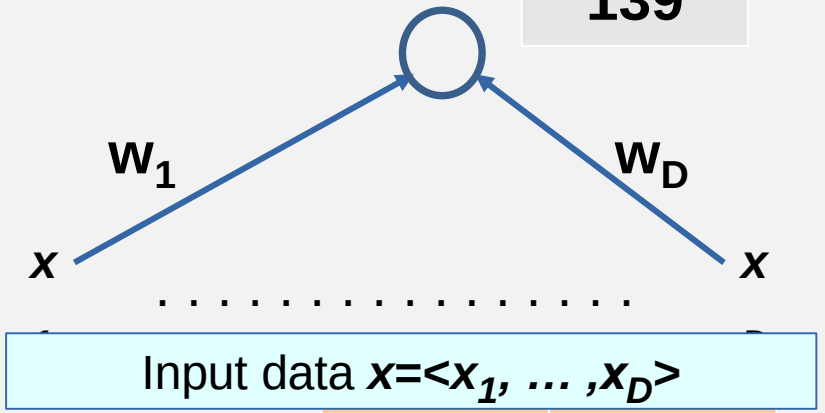

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- So we want something that is ***always positive***

Learning with a single neuron

- **Loss function** : is a measure of error that is always positive (including zero)

Solution 1	S1 Error	Sq. Loss	Solution 2	S2 Error	Sq. Loss	actual
y’	E	$(y-y')^2$	y’	E	$(y-y')^2$	y
170.5	-0.5	0.25	171	-1	1	170
139	1	1	139	1	1	140

- ***Mean Squared Loss*** is a popular choice
- There are many choices for loss functions (e.g. *Absolute error, combinations*)
- You can design your own.
- ML engineers occasionally need to design their own. But the community now has a vast array at disposal

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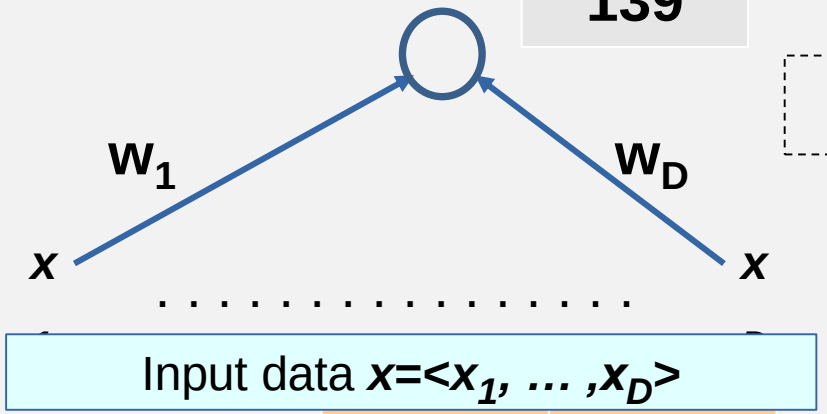

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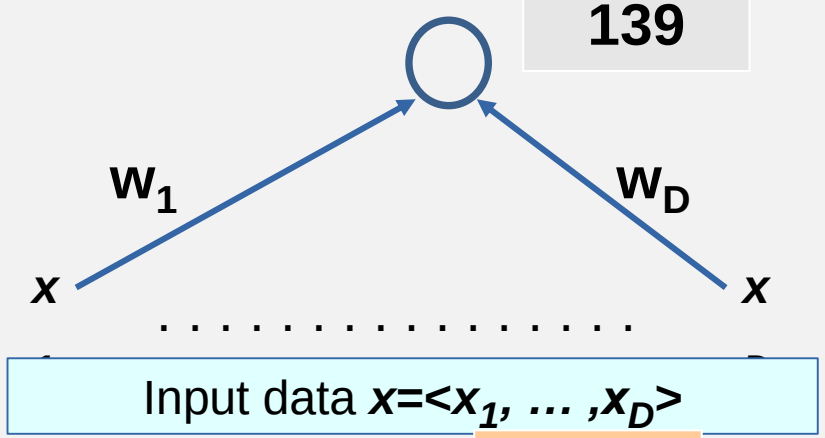

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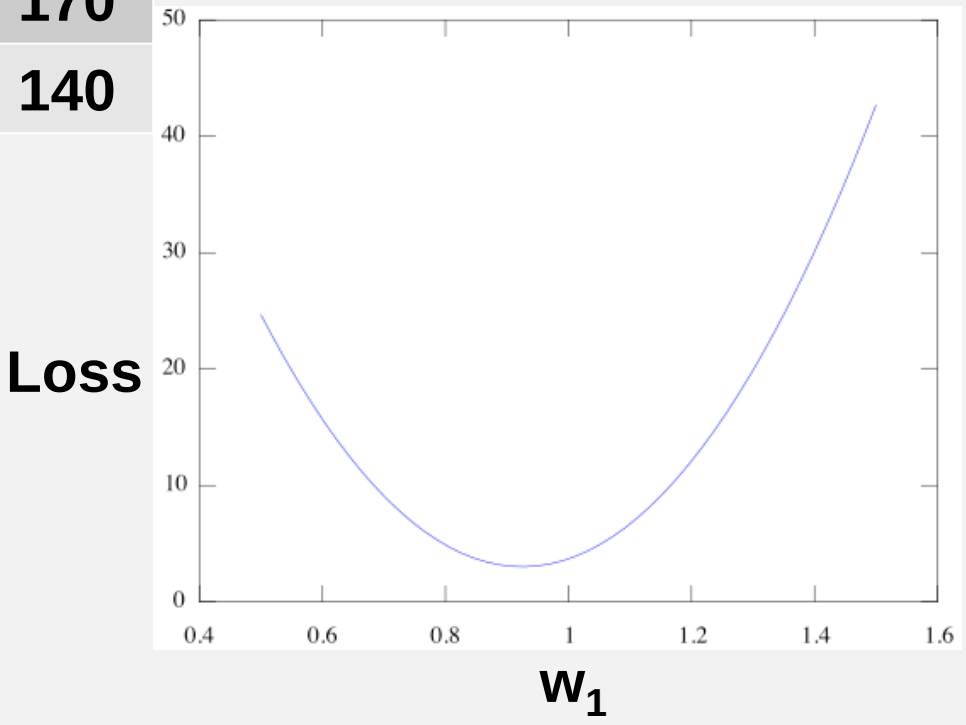

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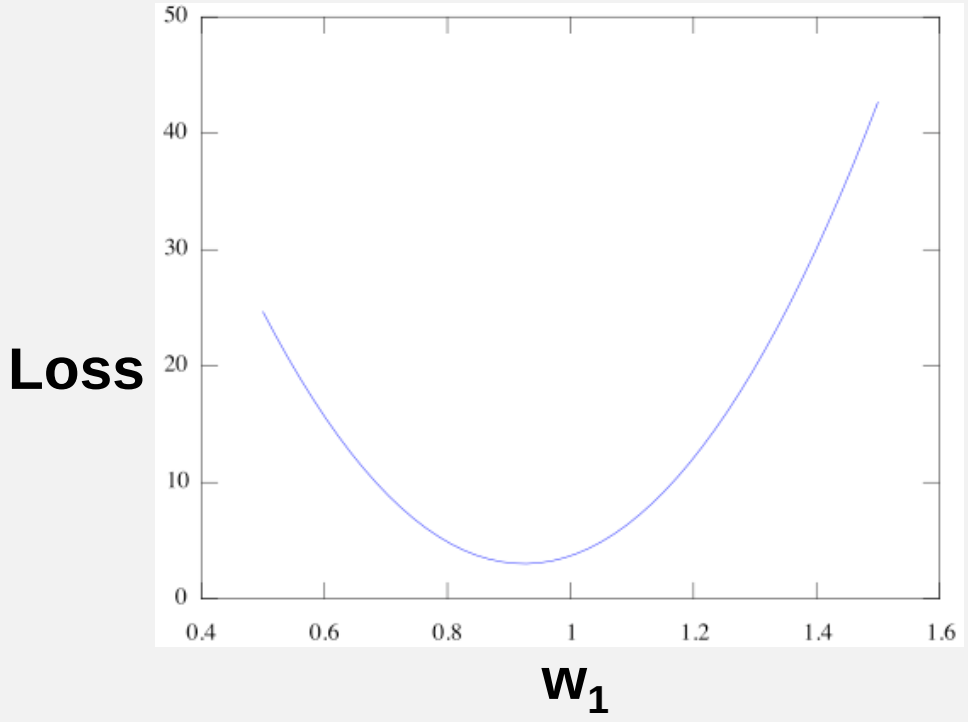
- This is essentially our familiar quadratic polynomial
- Guaranteed to have a single global minima



Gradient based learning

Simple gradient algorithm:

- Choose small random values for $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0 **(= b previously)**
- Choose a small step size ***step*** (e.g. step = 0.0001)
- **Repeat:**
  - Compute loss for current values of

    $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0
  - Compute gradient/slope with respect to

    each $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0
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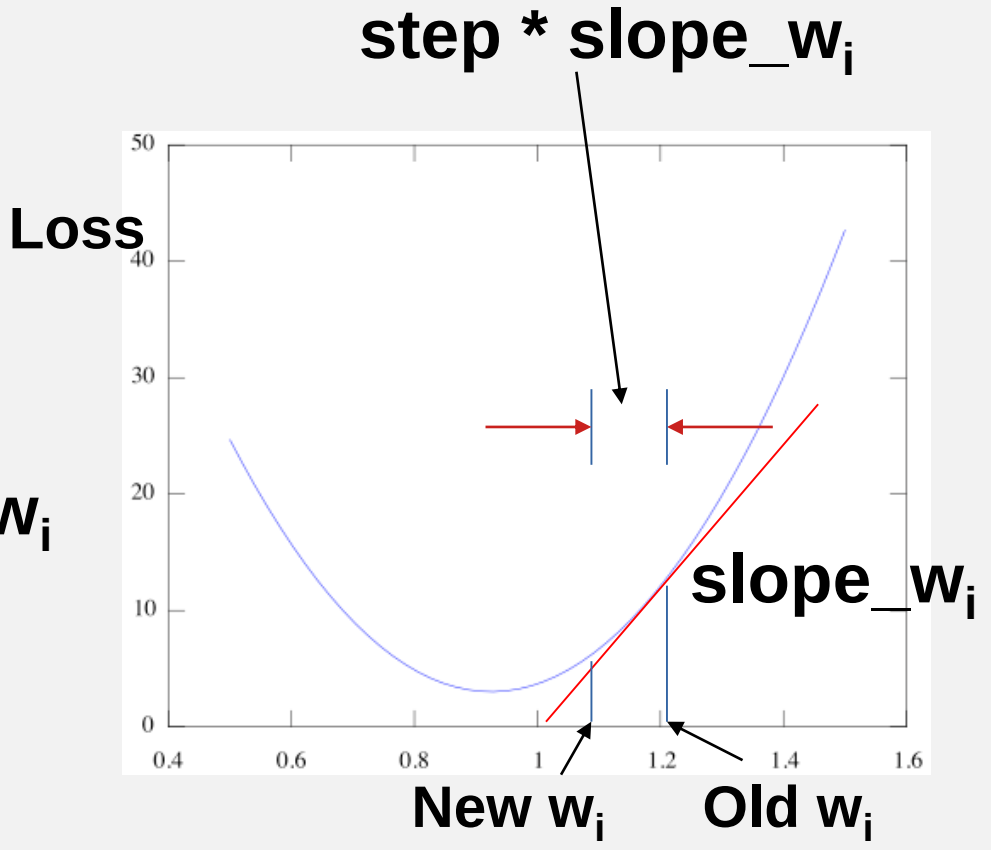

Calculating gradient $\Delta Loss(\theta=<w_0, .., w_D>)$

We can employ differential calculus to compute the gradient of **Loss(θ)** in closed form

$$Loss(\theta) = (y - y')^2 = (y - (w_0 + w_1 x_1 + ... + w_D x_D))^2$$

$$\frac{\delta\, Loss(\theta)}{\delta w_i} = \frac{\delta}{\delta w_i} (y - (w_0 + w_1 x_1 + ... + w_D x_D))^2$$

$$= -2(y - (w_0 + w_1 x_1 + ... + w_D x_D)) \frac{\delta}{\delta w_i} (w_0 + w_1 x_1 + ... + w_D x_D)$$

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Gradient based learning (for linear regression)

Simple gradient algorithm:

- Choose small random values for $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0 **(= b previously)**
- Choose a small step size ***step*** (e.g. step = 0.0001)
- Divide data into small batches (e.g. 200 examples each)
- **Repeat for each batch:**
  - Compute batch loss for current values of $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0
  - Compute for each batch gradient/slope with respect to each $w_1,\ldots,w_D$, w_0
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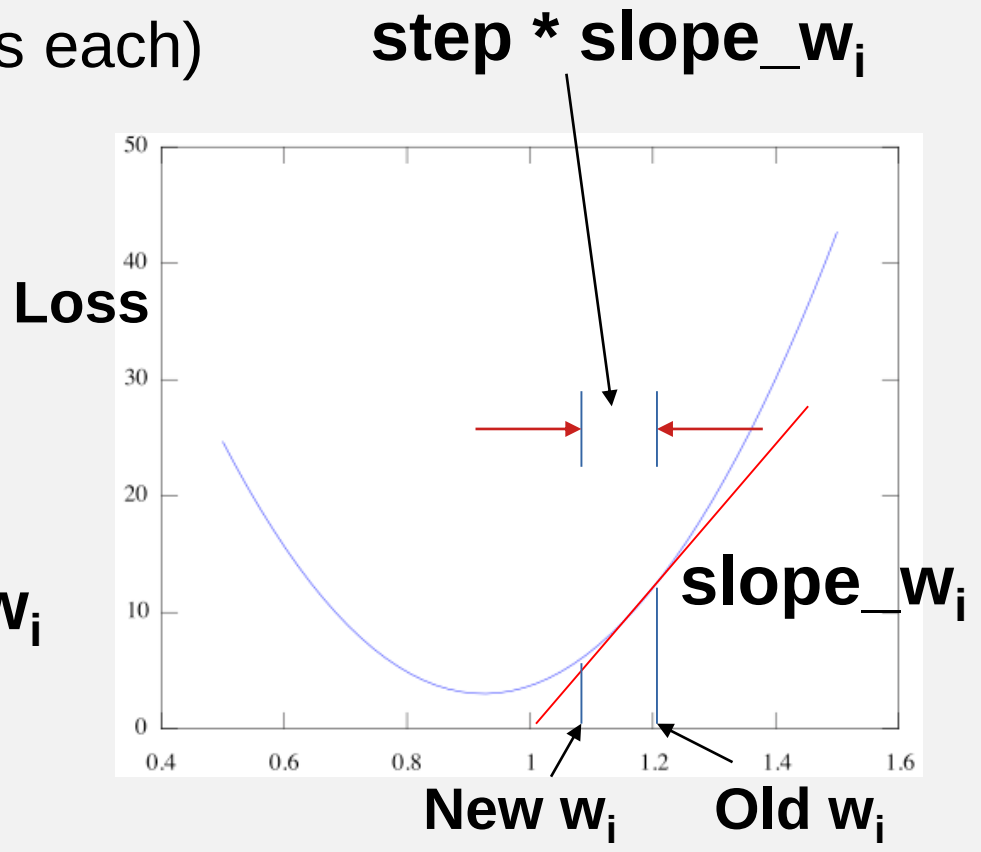


Machine Learning : Learning to classify

Classification problems : Is it a cat ?

YES

NO

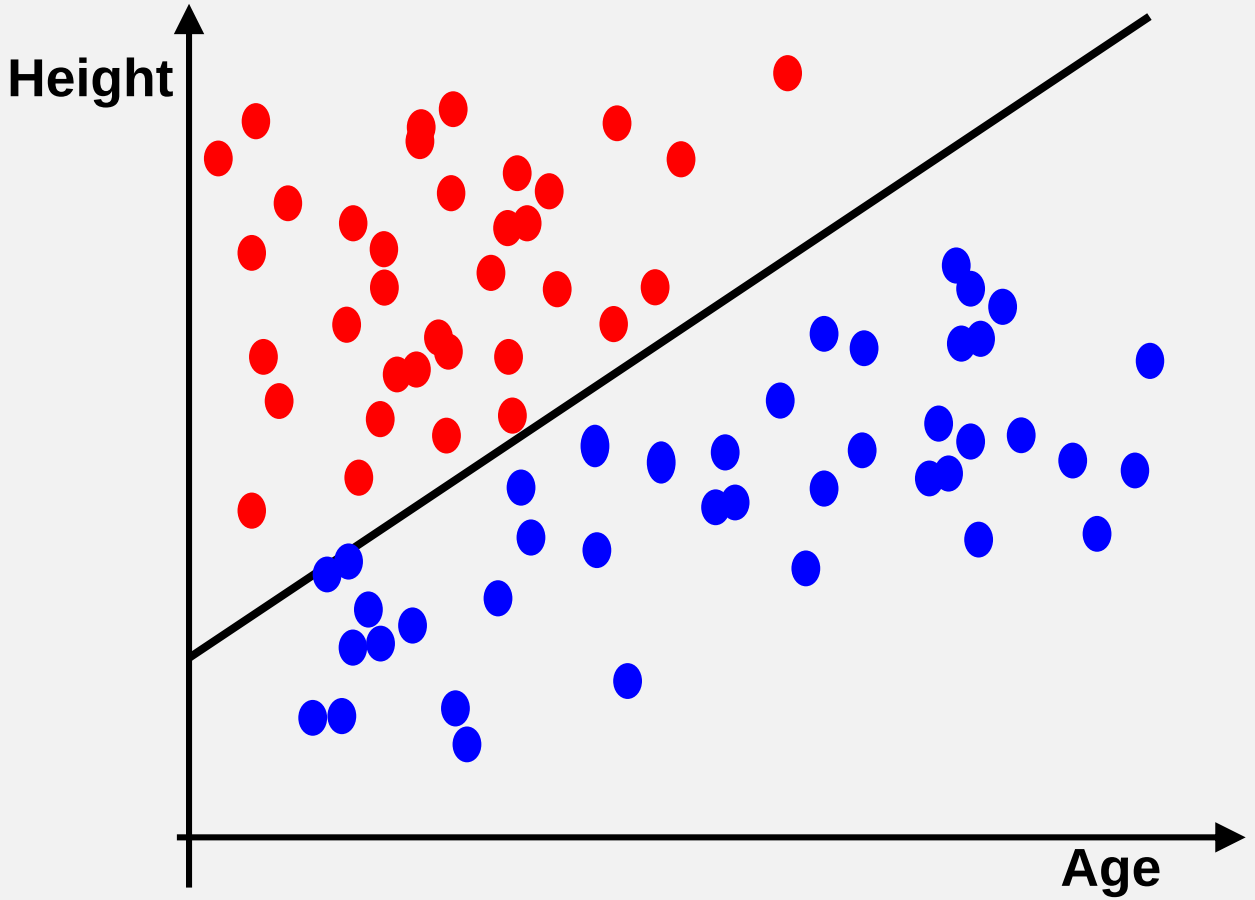
NO

YES

NO

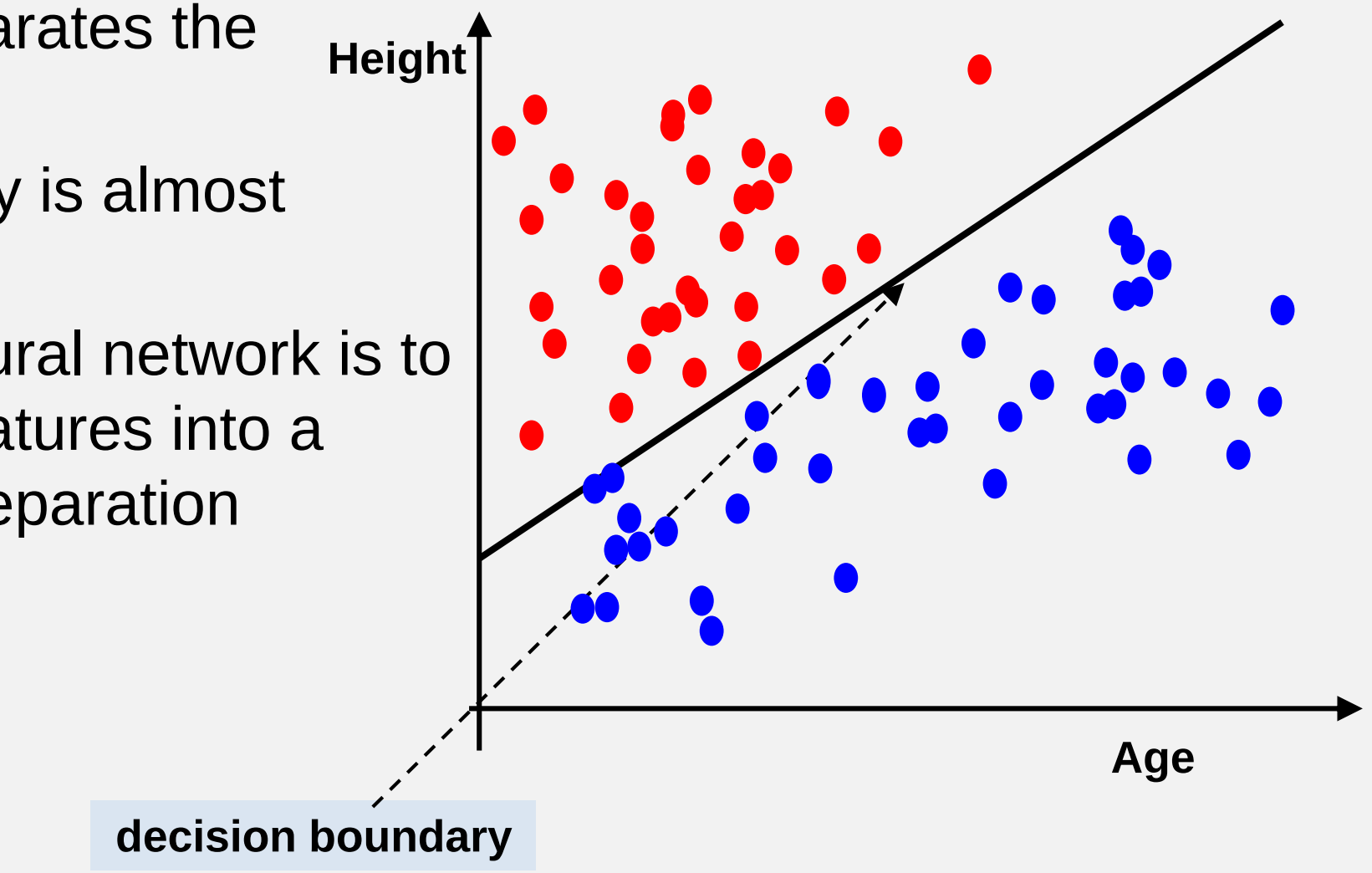
YES

Tall or Short ?



Linear separability for classification problems

- The **decision boundary** is the line (hyperplane) that separates the different classes
- The decision boundary is almost always linear
- The aim of a deep neural network is to transform the input features into a space so that linear separation becomes possible



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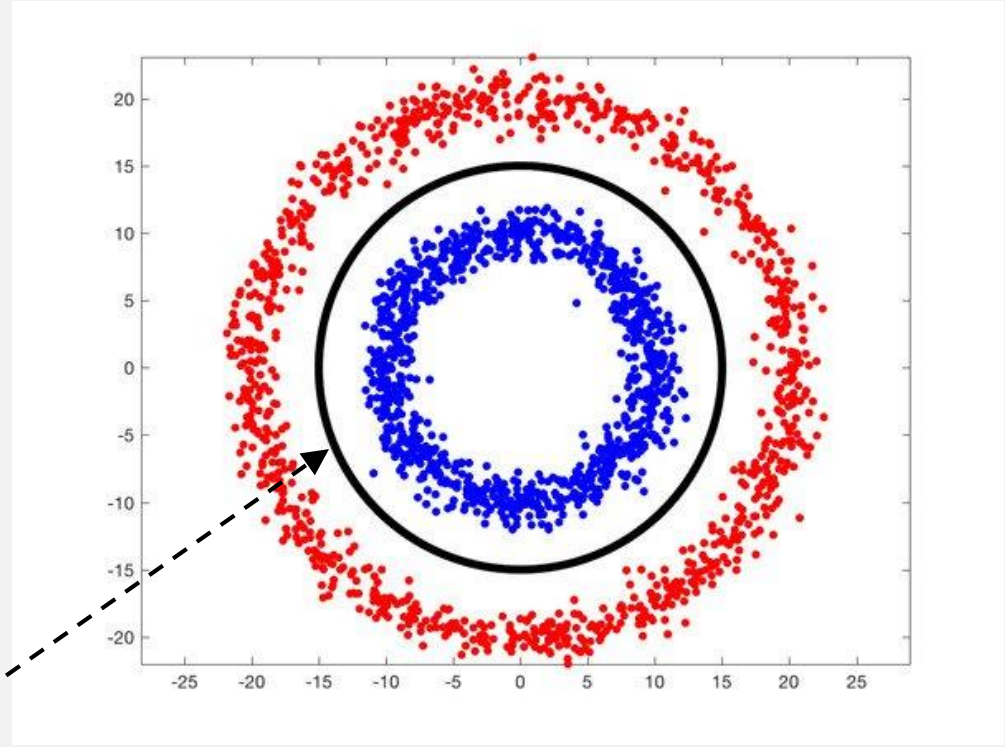
- But clearly not all real life data will be linearly separable
- **Example**: Data within the red and blue circles denote the two classes



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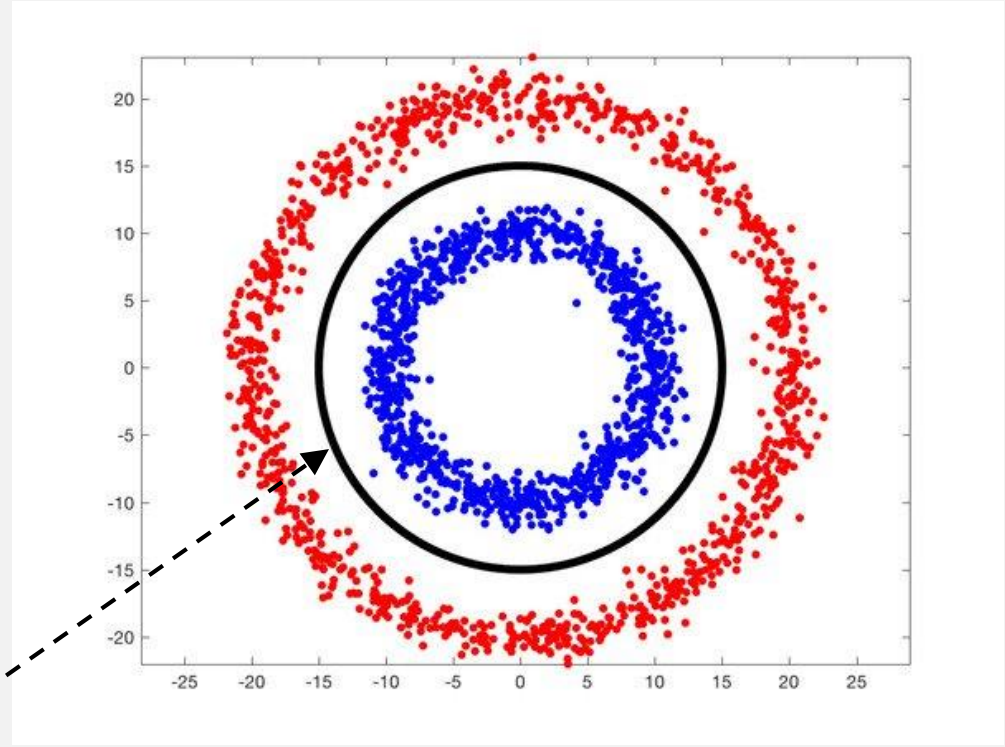

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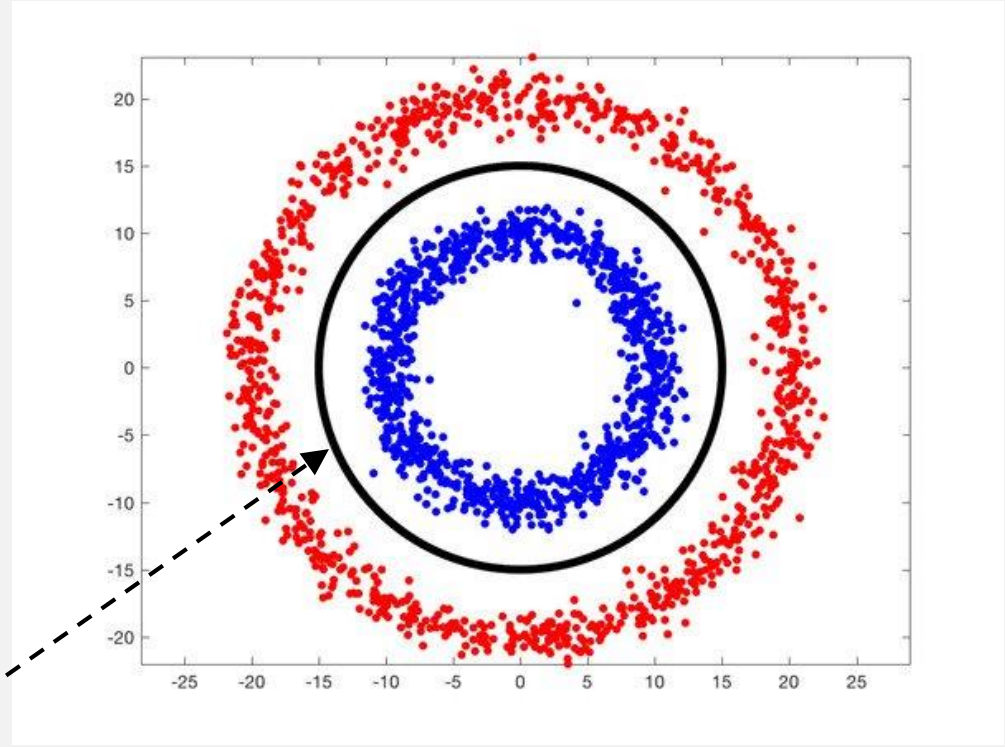

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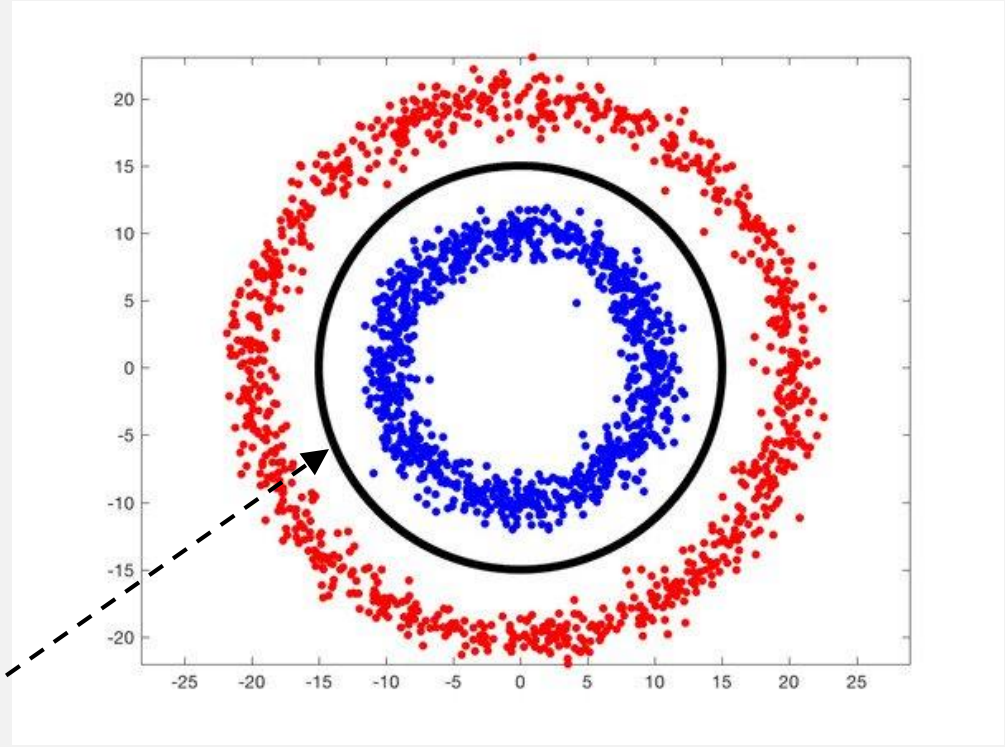

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Linear separability for classification problems

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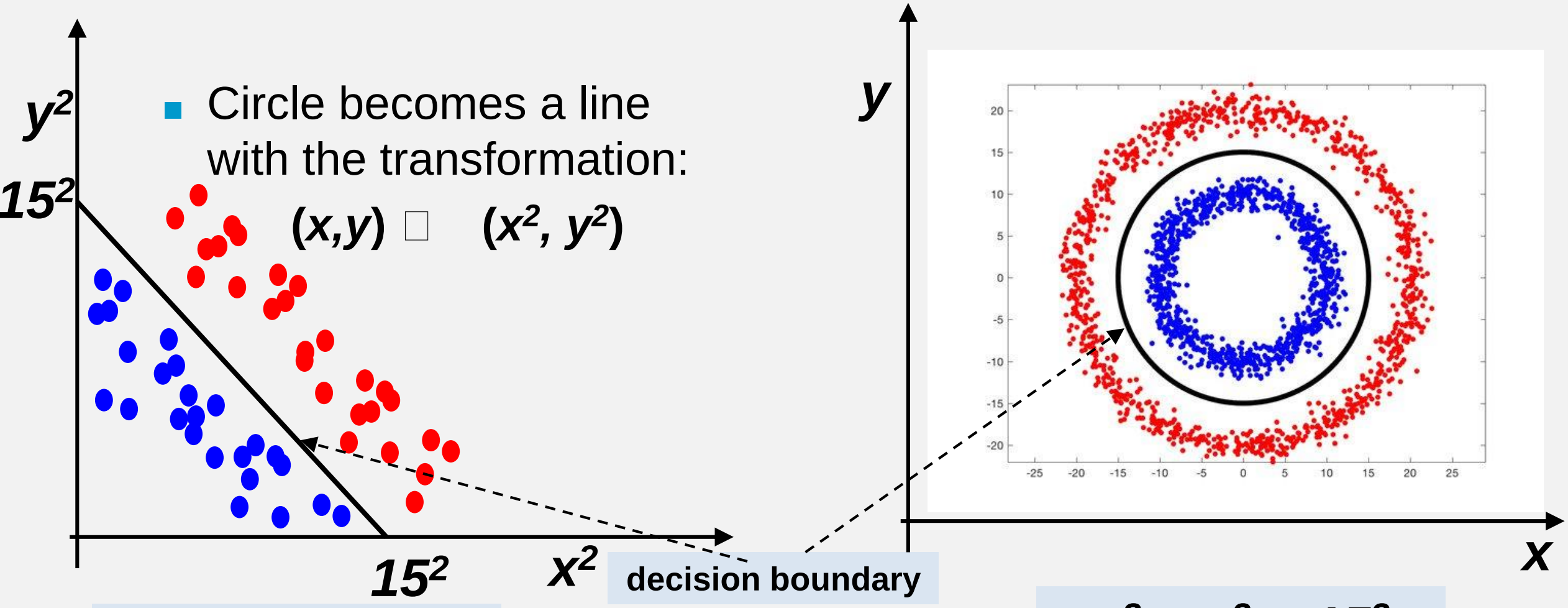


$a + b = 15^2$

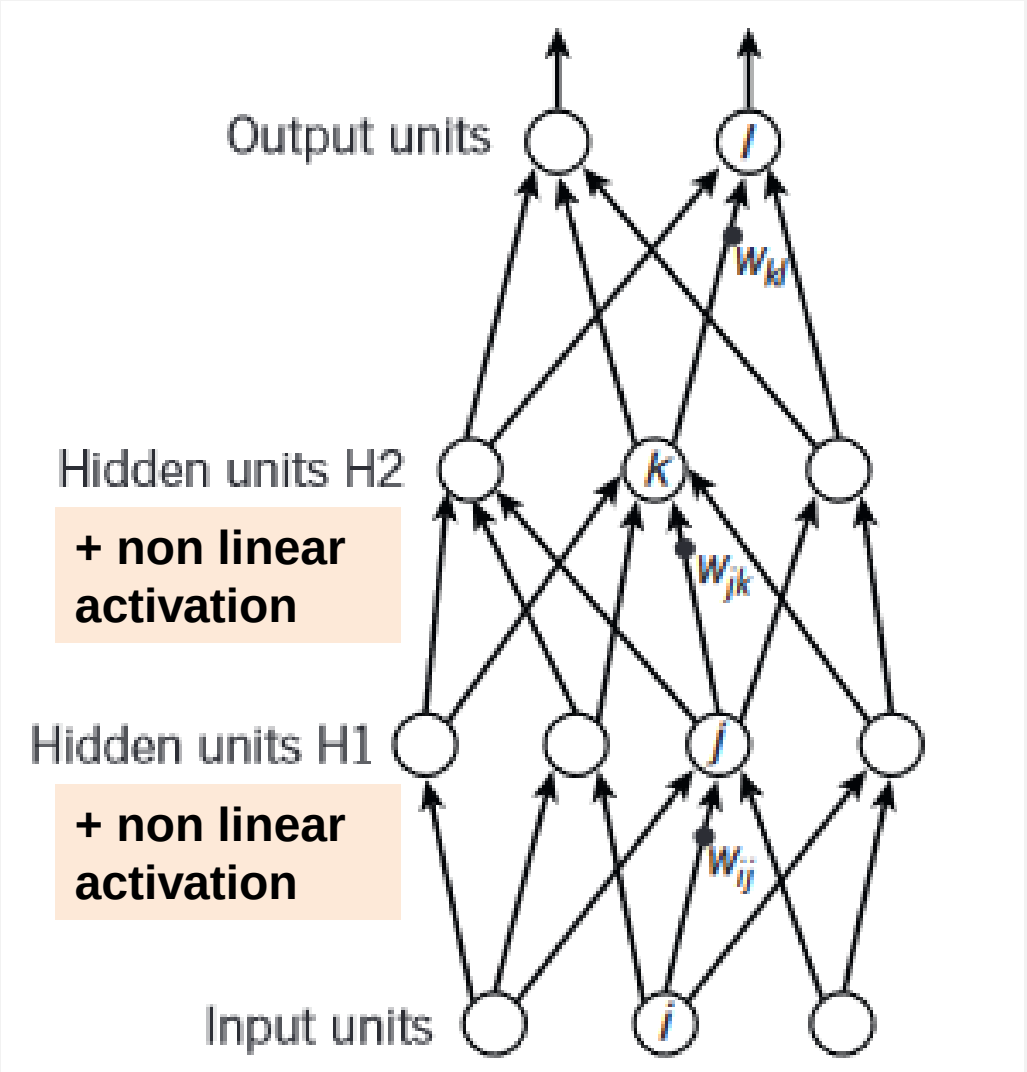
Line equation

$x^2 + y^2 = 15^2$

Circle equation

Non linear Activation functions

- The squaring operation is an example of a non linear function
- Also known as **non-linear activation functions**
- There are many popular non-linear activation functions:
  - Sigmoid
  - Relu
  - Tanh
  - …..



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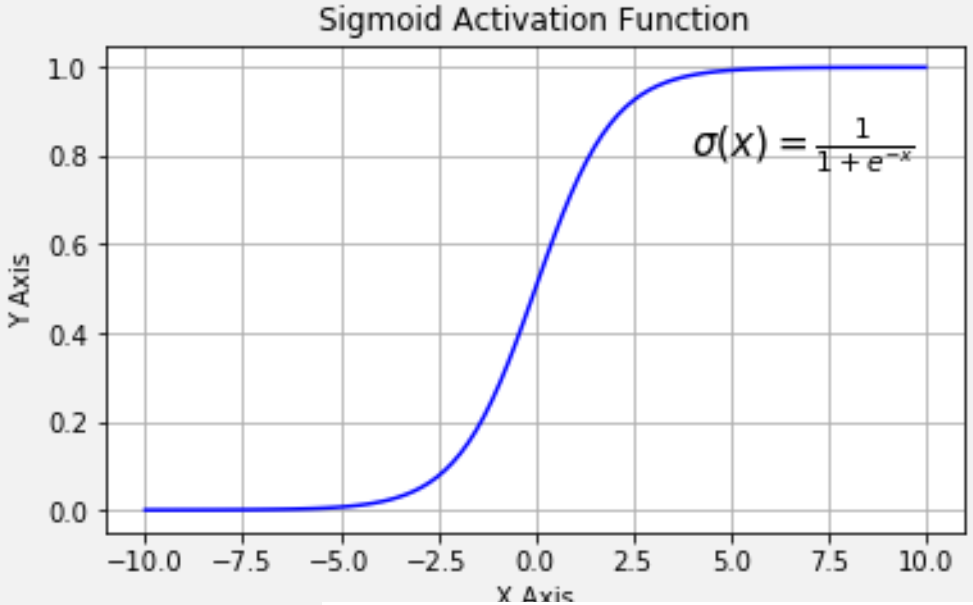

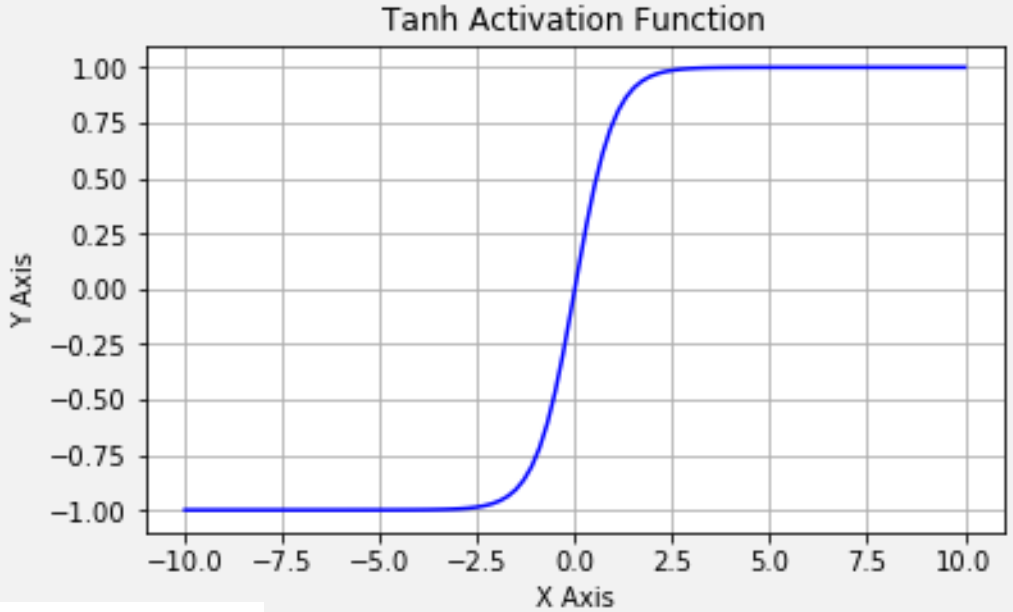

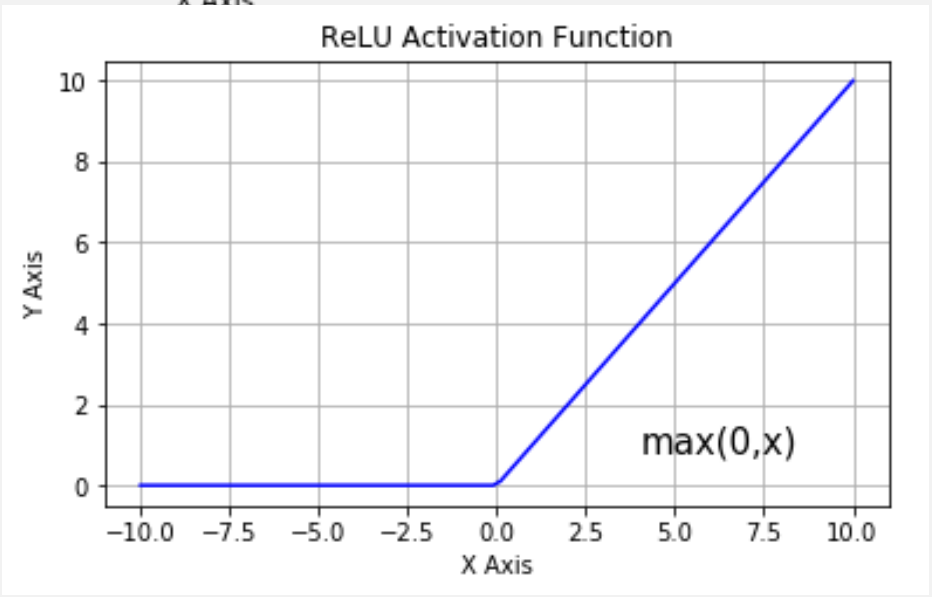

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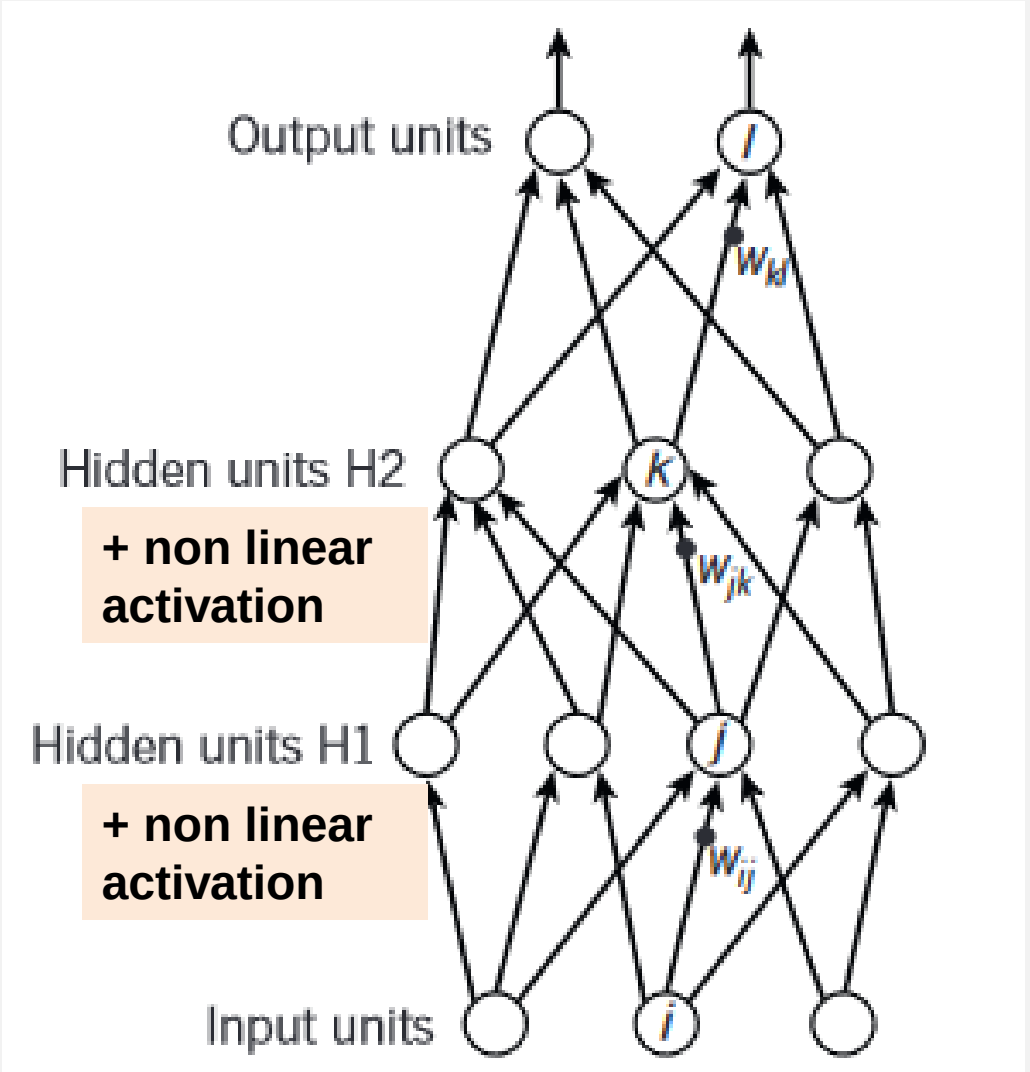

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Multilayer neural networks – Key ideas

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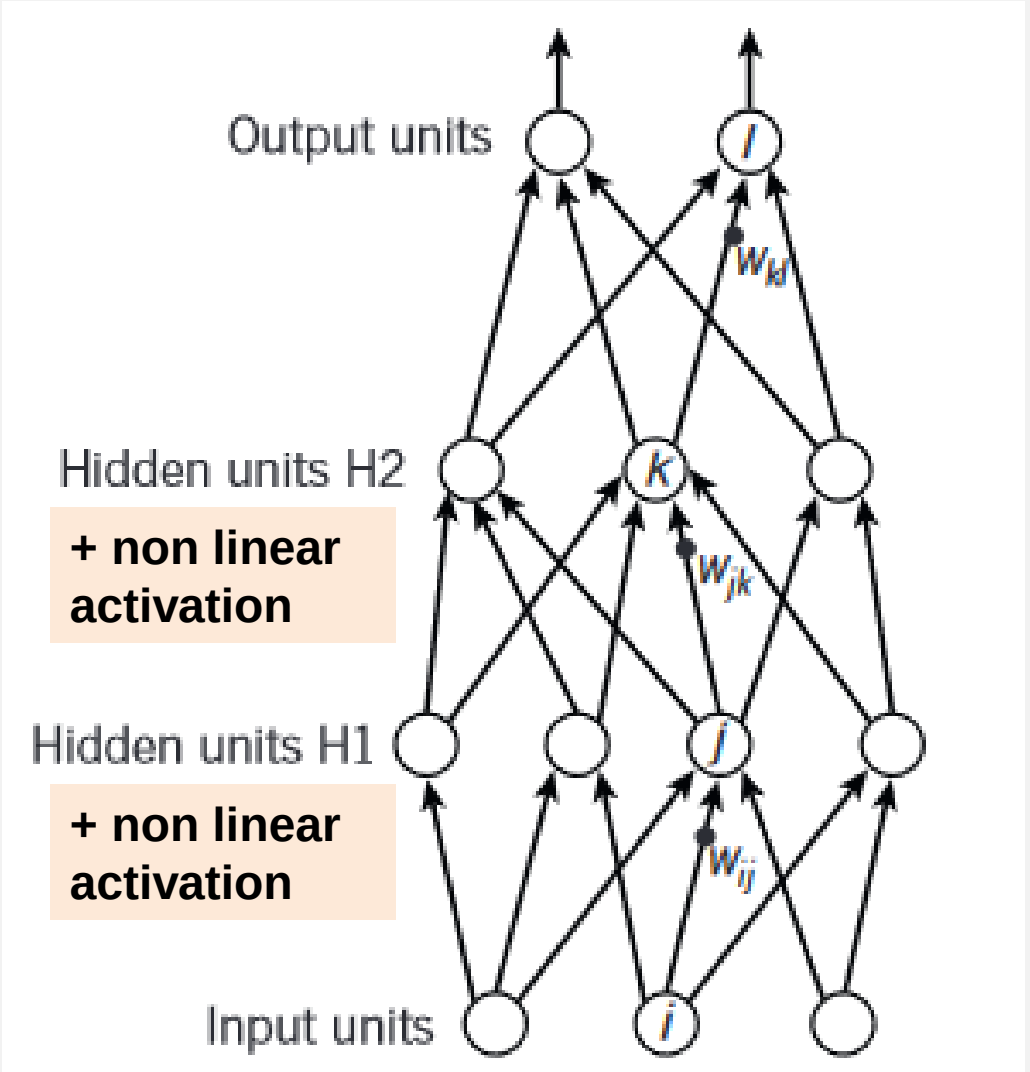
- **Combinations of different activation functions in such networks can simulate any feature transformation**
- Also known as universal function approximators



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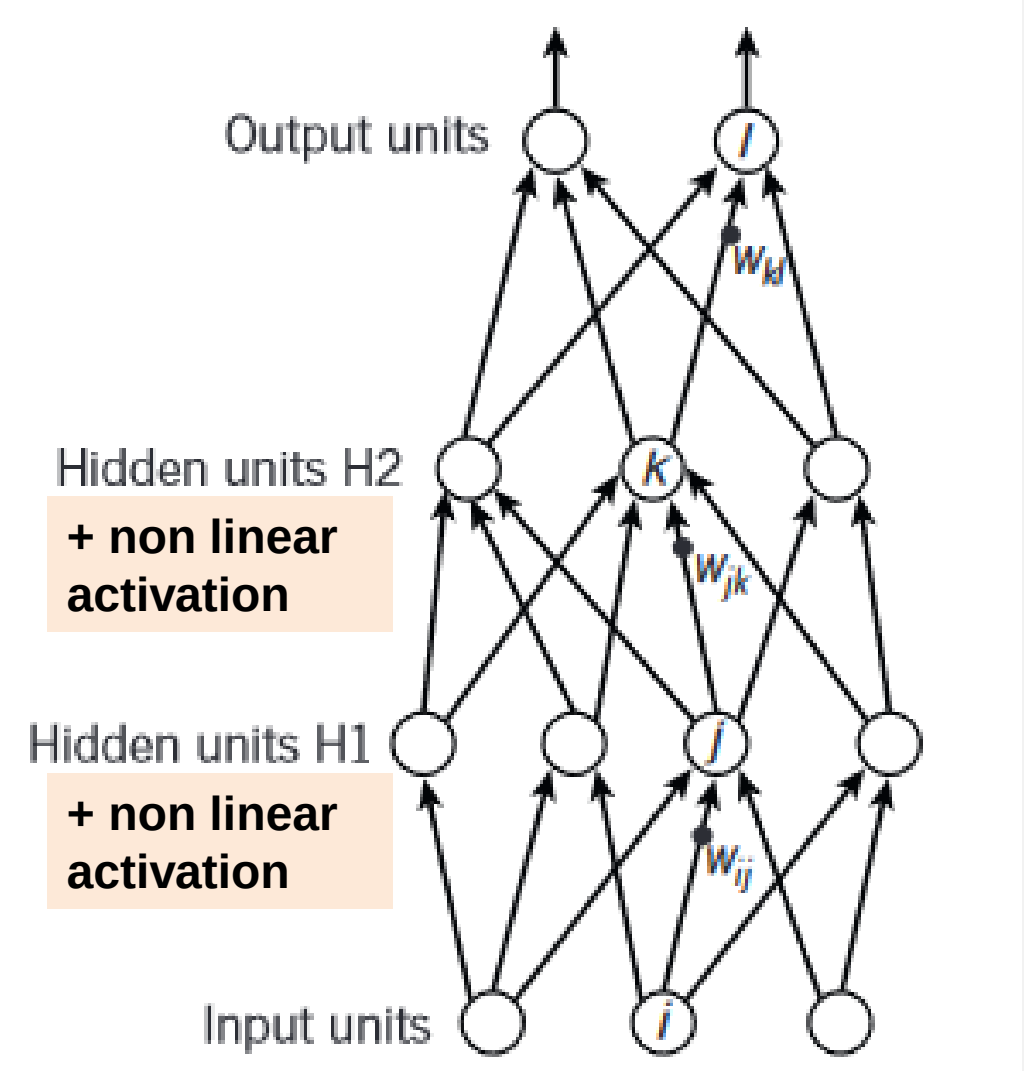
Multilayer neural networks – Key ideas

- Combine neurons with non linear activation functions to build complex neural networks
- **Combinations of different activation functions in such networks can simulate any feature transformation**
- This is a key essence of deep learning.
- Manual feature transformation i.e. human engineering is no longer needed
- Get the machines to do the hard work



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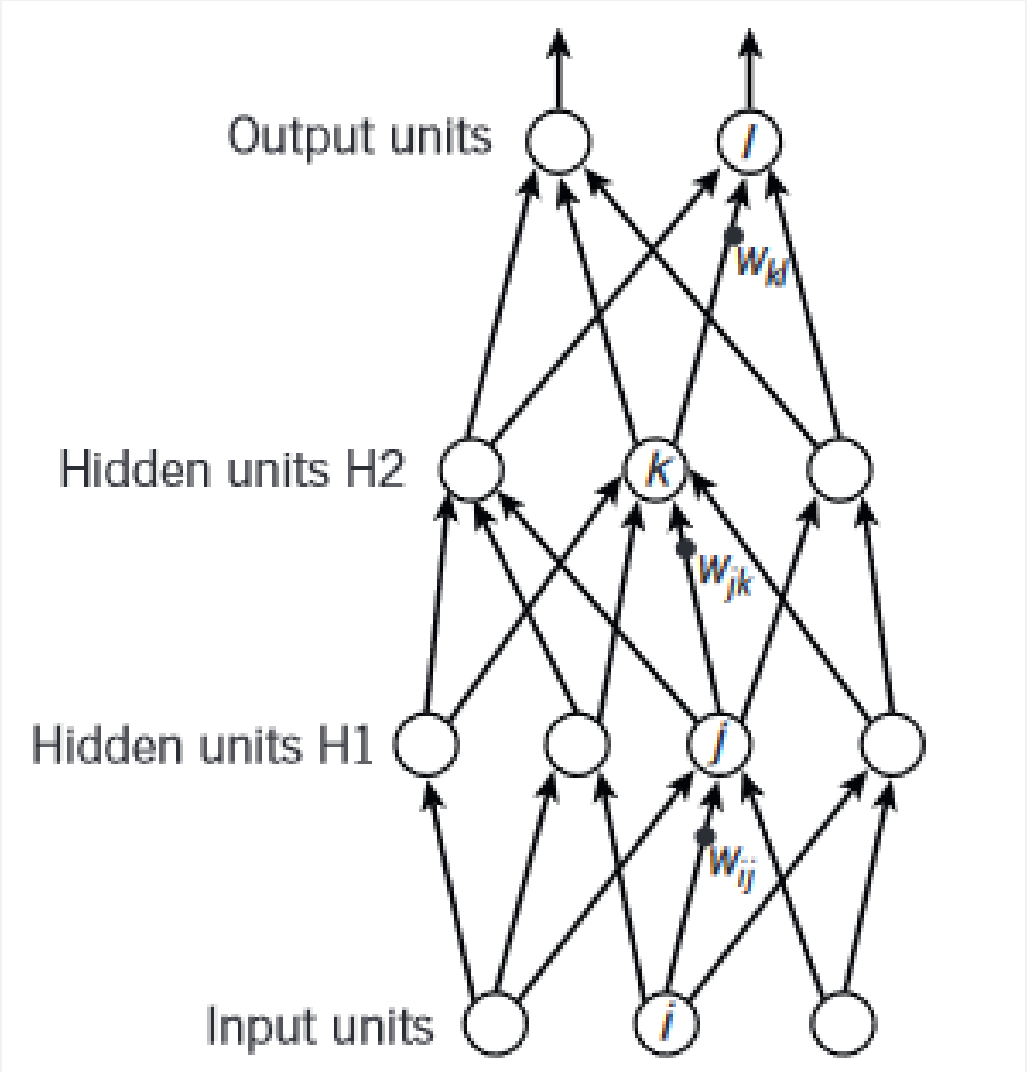
Conversely – note that

- If each unit is linear then the combination of linear units is still linear
- Thus a multilayer but linear neural network is equivalent to a single layer
- Hence stacking linear layers does not give any advantage



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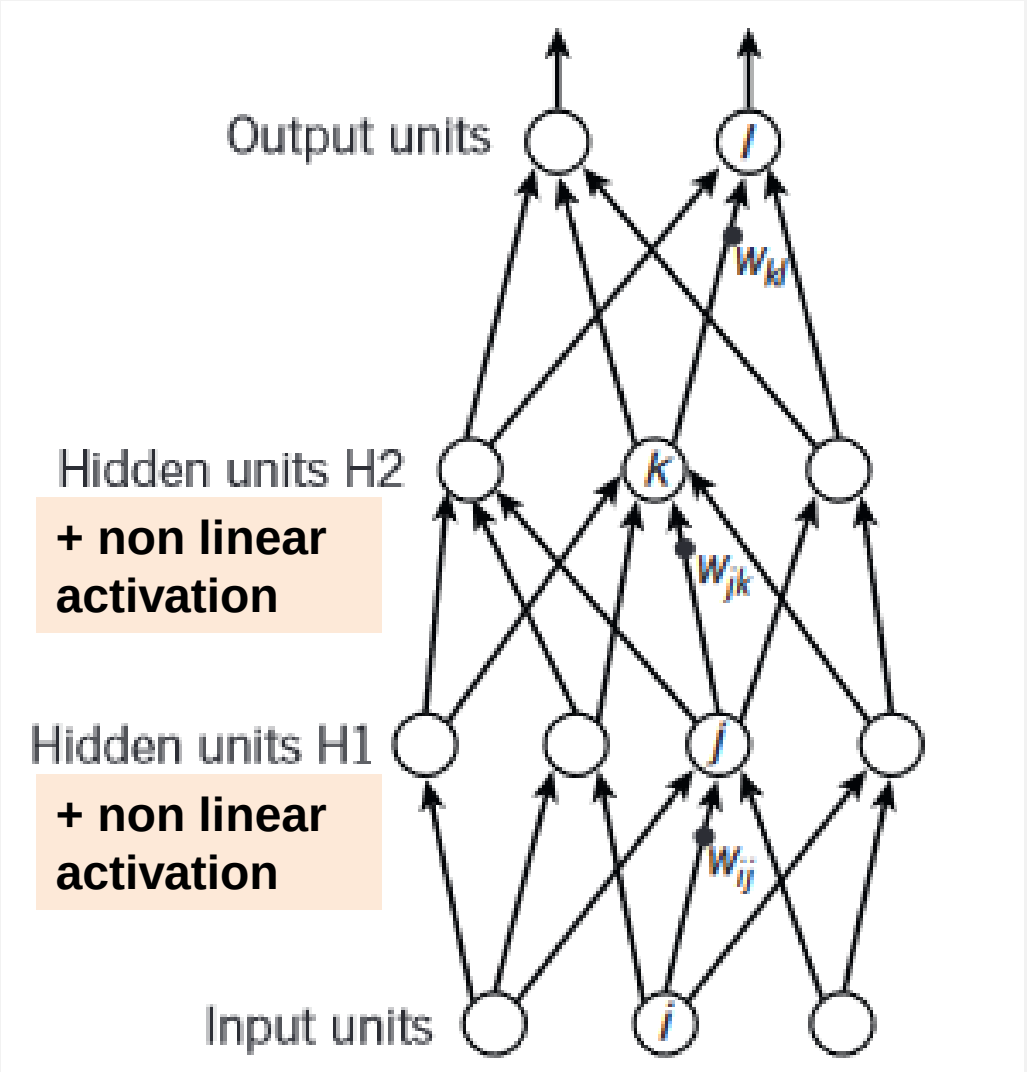
Activation functions

- Using **non-linear function** activation functions in the hidden layers will result in a complex neural network
- Such a network will not be equivalent to a simpler neural network (in general)
- Such complex networks gives deep learning algorithms the capacity to automatically learn the relevant features



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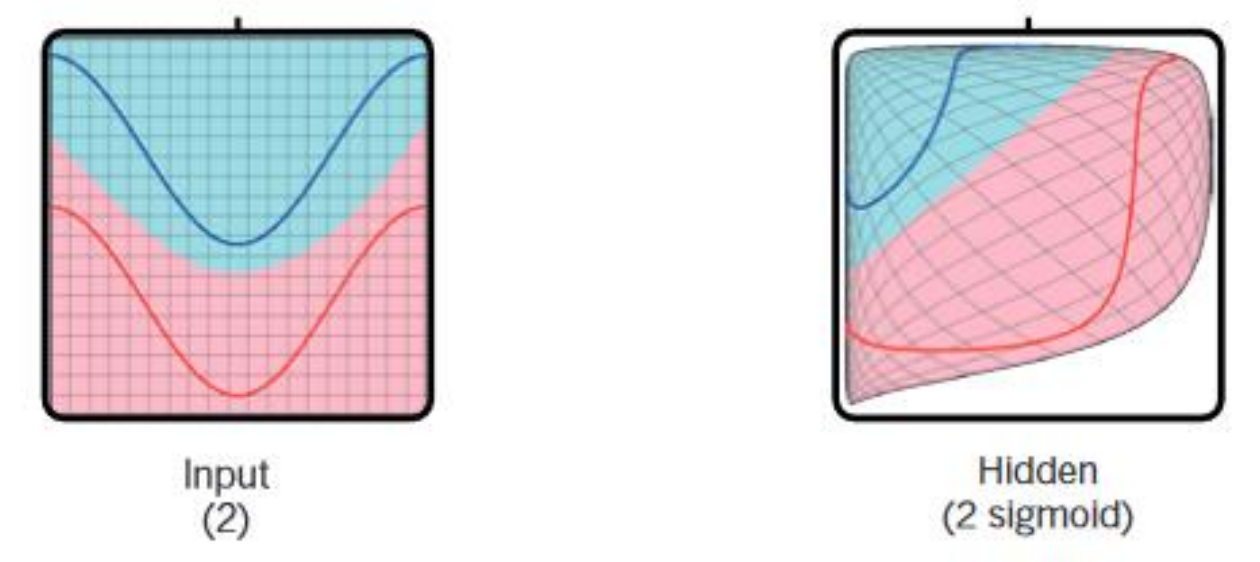
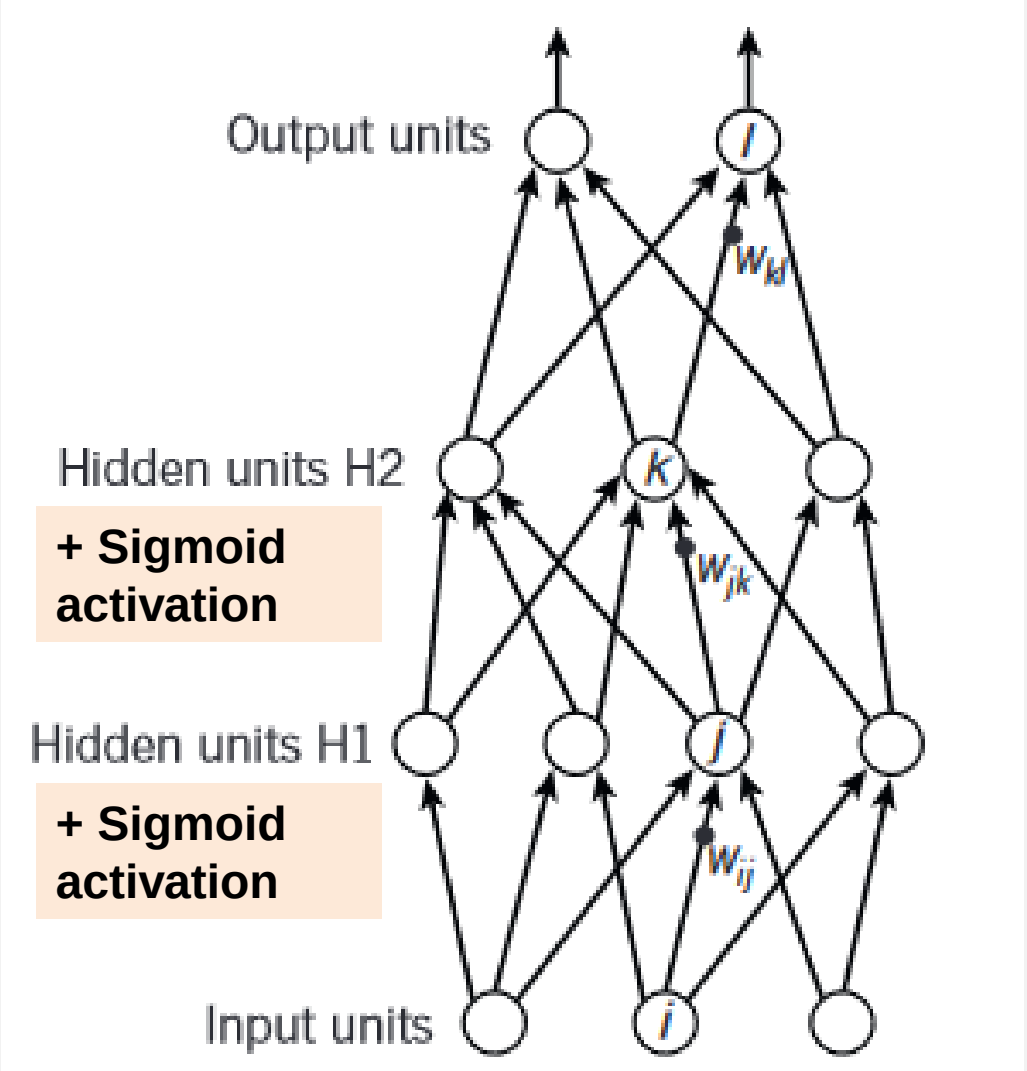


- **Non linear transformation** of the input features is achieved by the hidden units
- This permits the final layer to achieve a linear separation of the two classes



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Computer vision

Computer Vision

High level AI goals within computer vision:

- Develop human level and beyond human level vision capabilities
- Handle multiple visual modalities – visual, infra-red, x-ray, ultrasound, UV, satellite (multispectral), video, 3D, 2D etc.
- Characteristic problems in CV : image classification, object recognition and localisation, image restoration, person/face identification, 2D to 3D reconstruction, multiview 3D reconstruction, medical image analysis, style transfer, OCR, handwriting recognition, gait analysis, …..

Imagenet large scale CV dataset

- ImageNet contains 14M+ annotated images
- Annotation done using large scale Amazon Mechanical Turk
- ImageNet populates 21,841 concepts of WordNet with an average of 650 manually verified and full resolution images
- ImageNet allows mapping visual concepts to words
- It permits building general purpose visual recognition systems

Imagenet classes

Imagenet Tasks

Image classification

Ground truth

Steel drum
Folding chair
Loudspeaker

Accuracy: 1

Scale
T-shirt
Steel drum
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Accuracy: 0

Single-object localization

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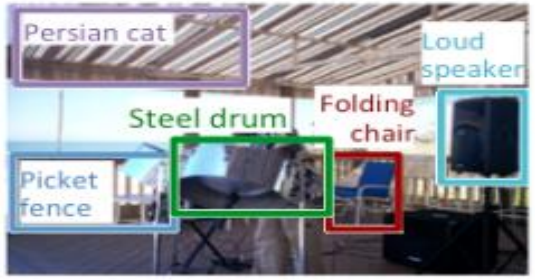

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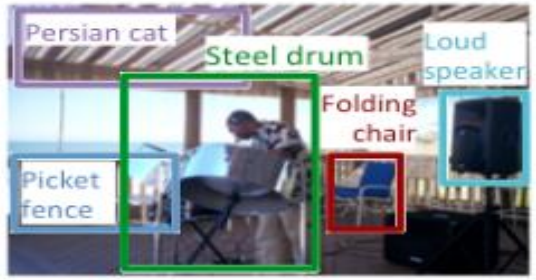

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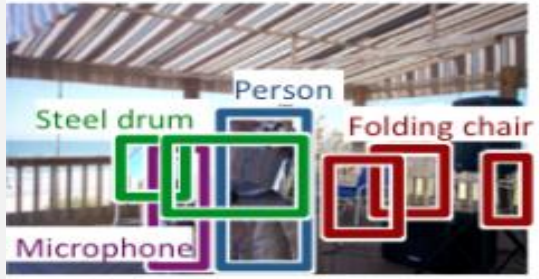
Object detection



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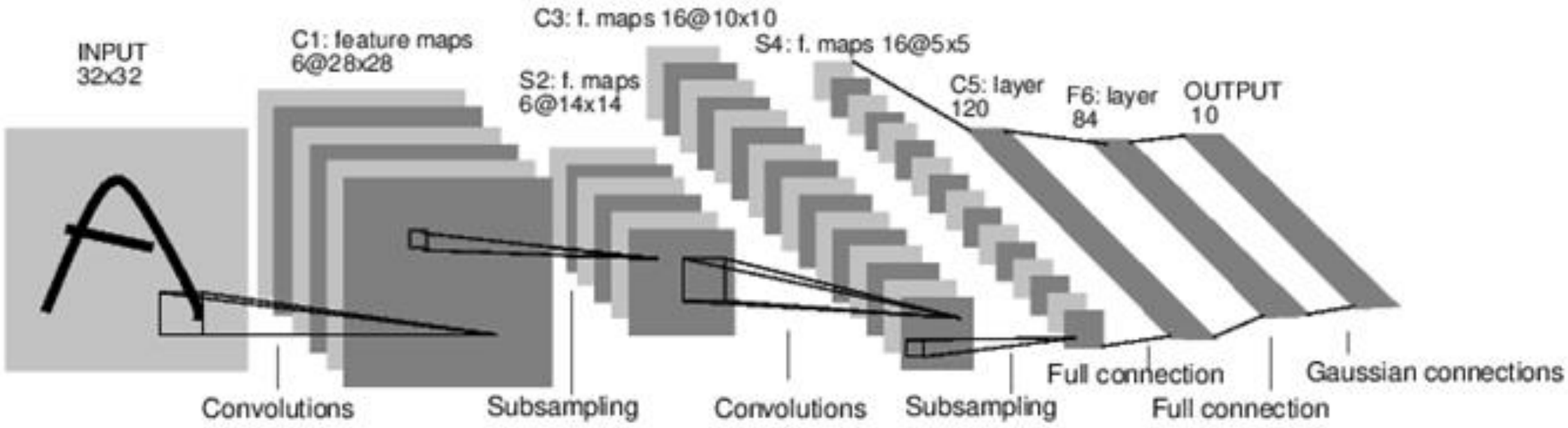
Convolutional Neural Networks



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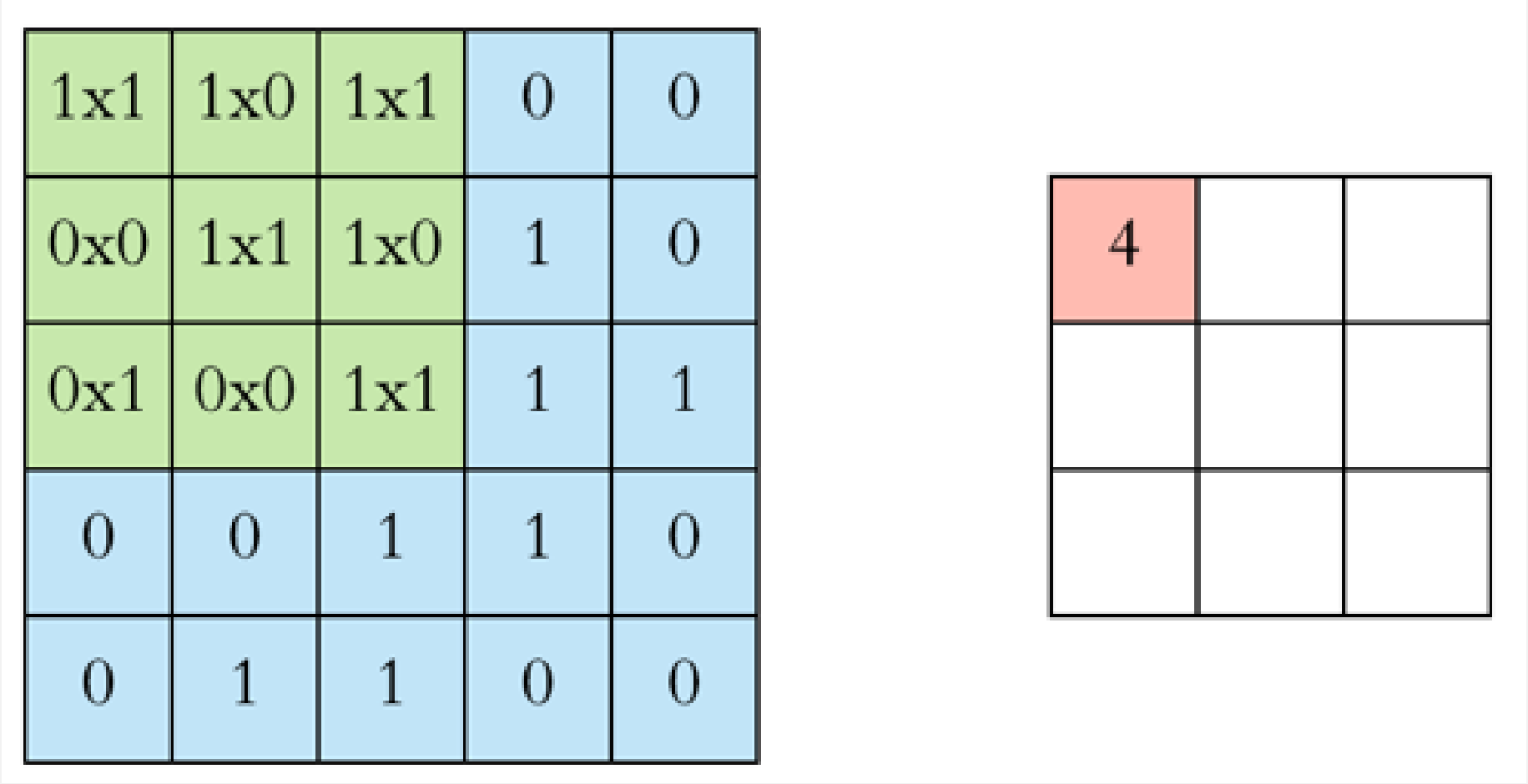
LeNet CNN

CNN filters



CNN filter in action

1x1	1x0	1x1	0	0
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0x1	0x0	1x1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0

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CNN filter learning a shape

0	0	0	0	0	30	0
0	0	0	0	30	0	0
0	0	0	30	0	0	0
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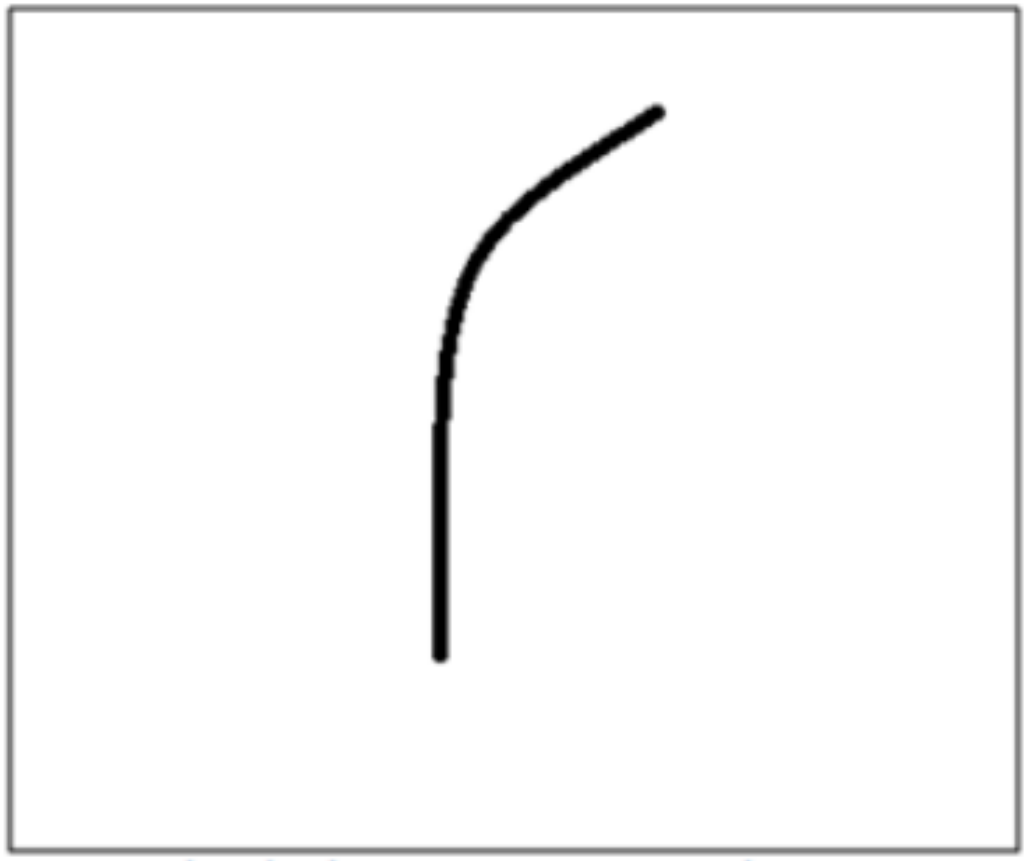
Pixel representation of filter



Visualization of a curve detector filter

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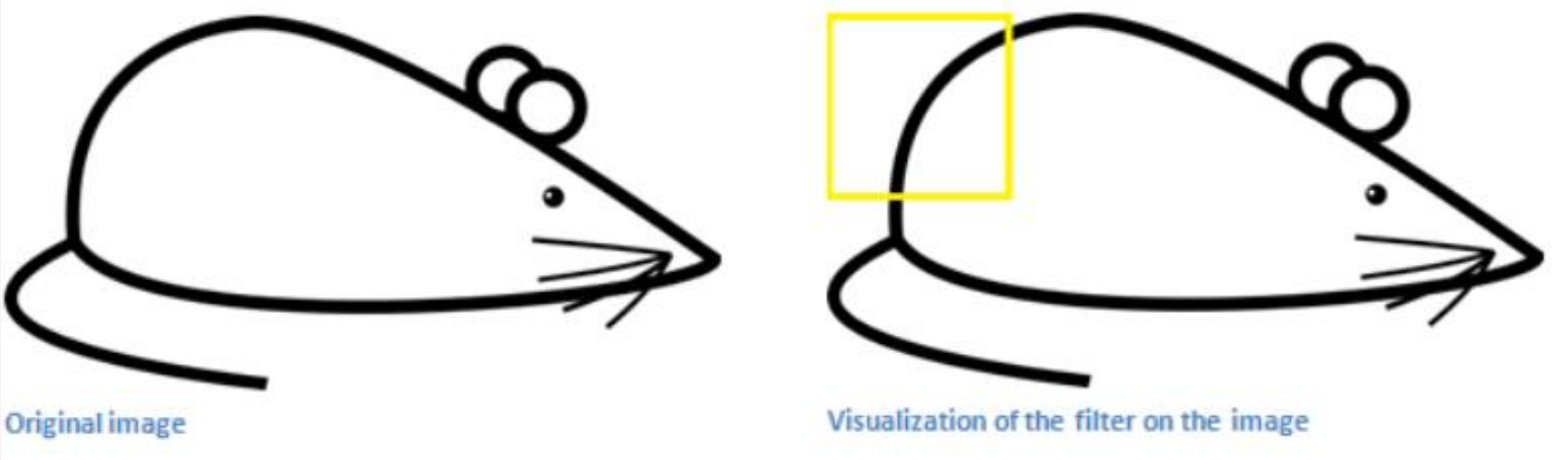

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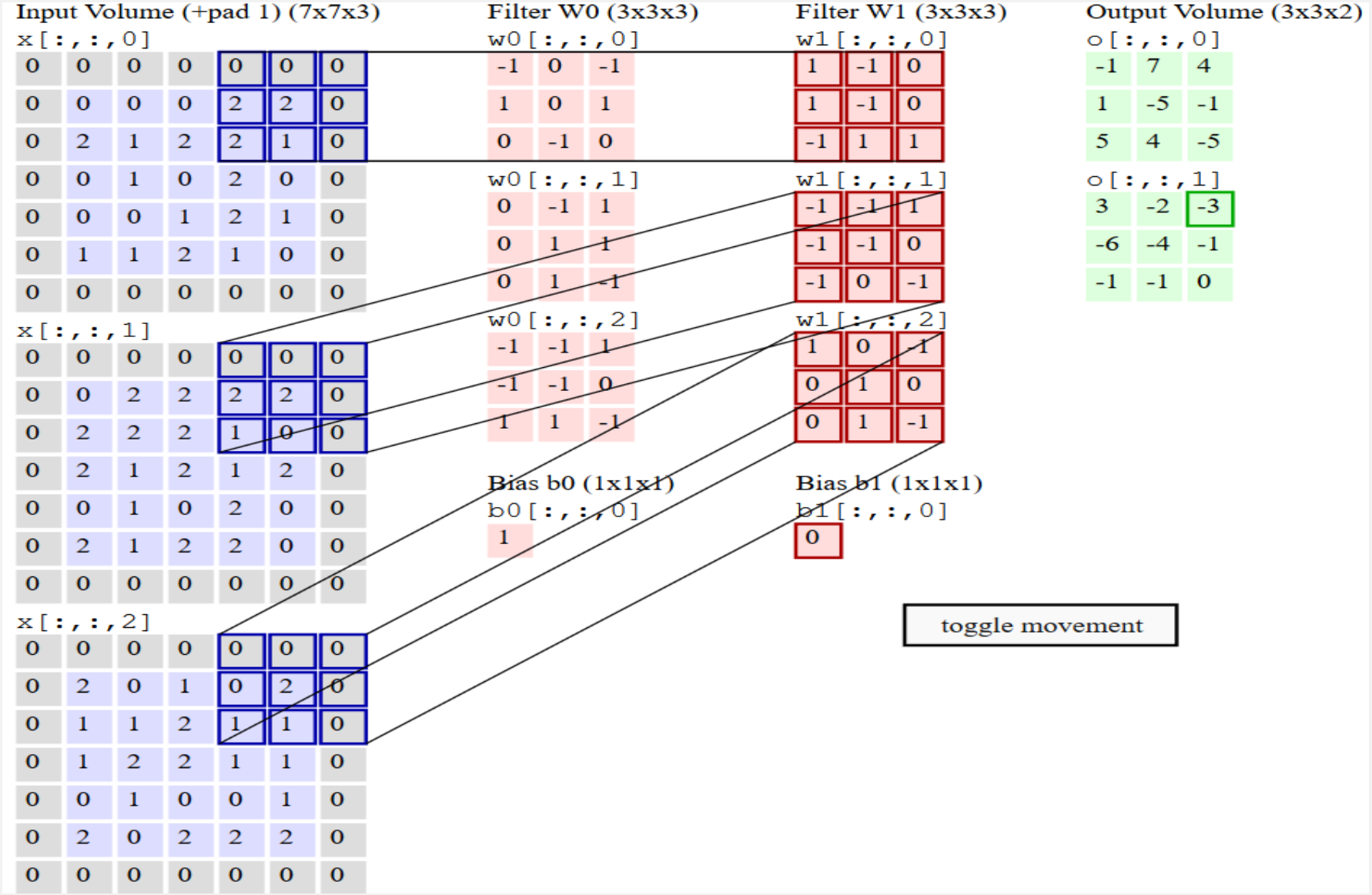

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Sub-sampling – Max pooling

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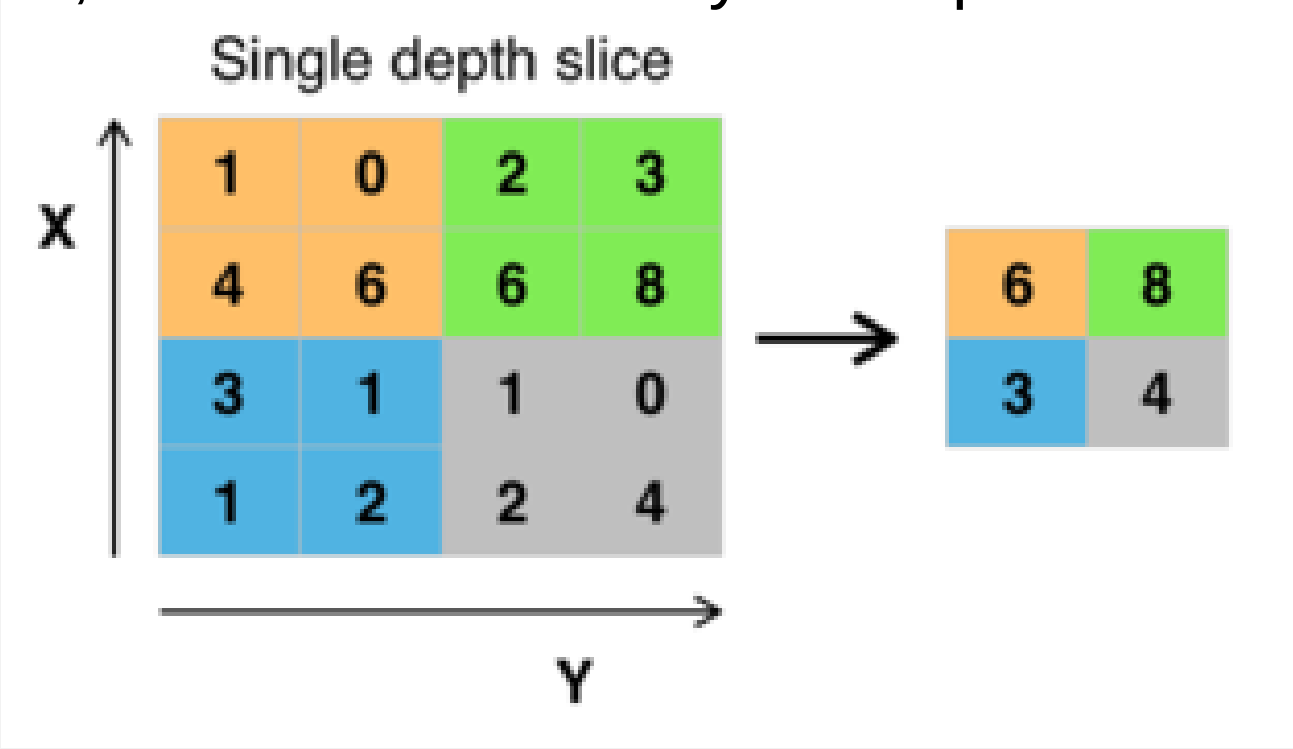
- Sub-sampling typically means choosing a subset of the features
- So, the idea is to identify the important features and ignore the rest



Filters learnt by deep CNNs

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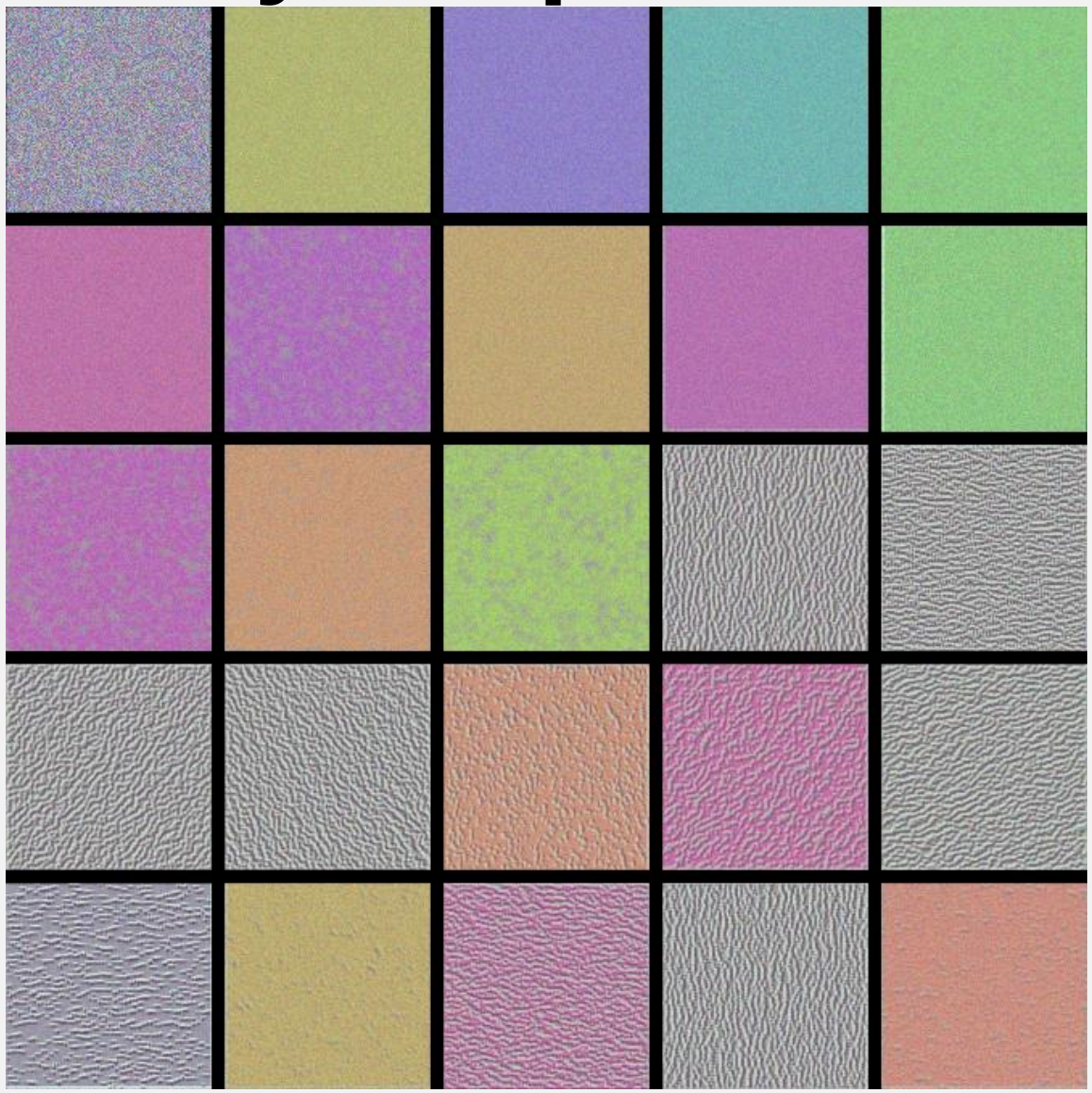

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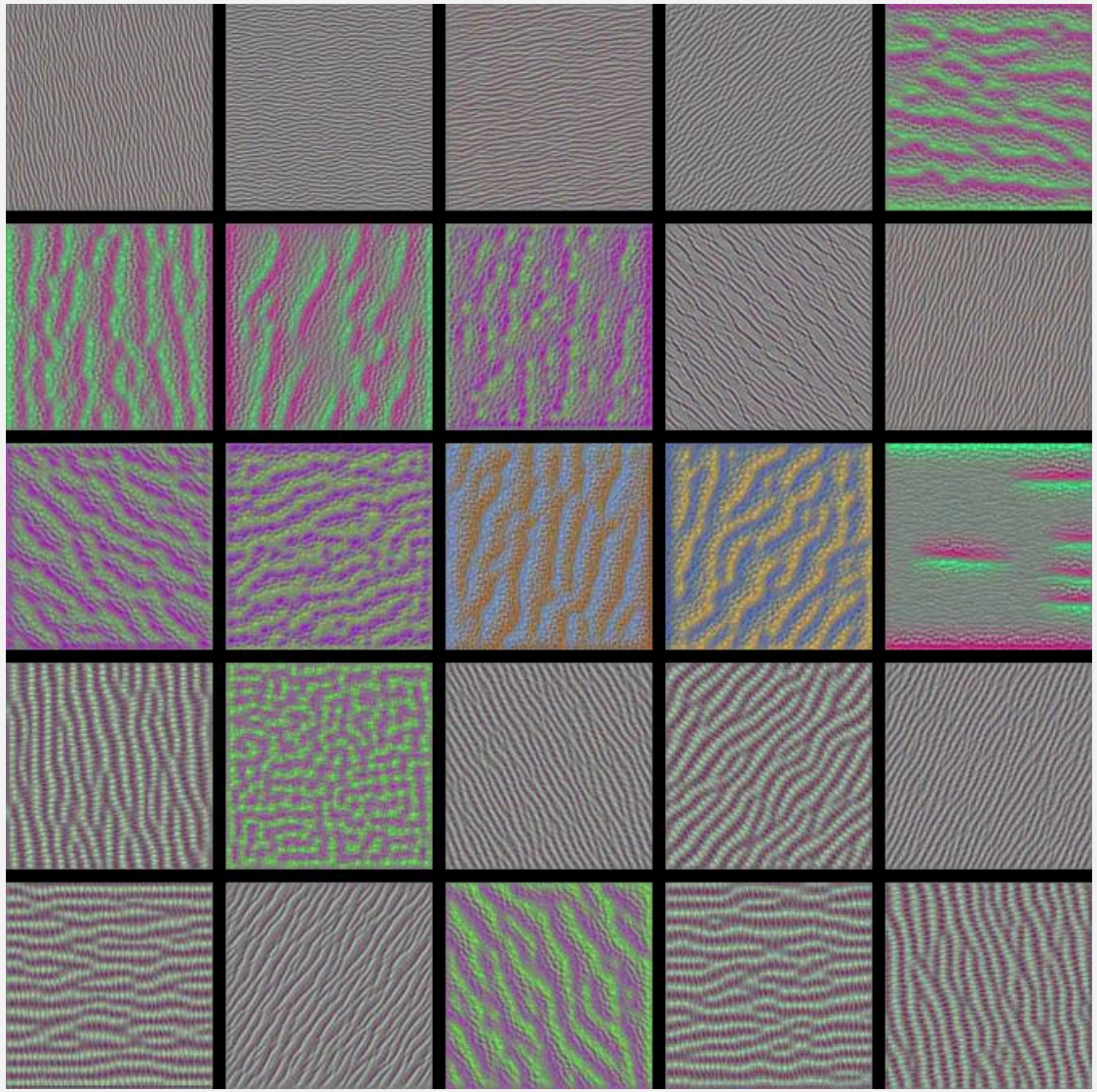

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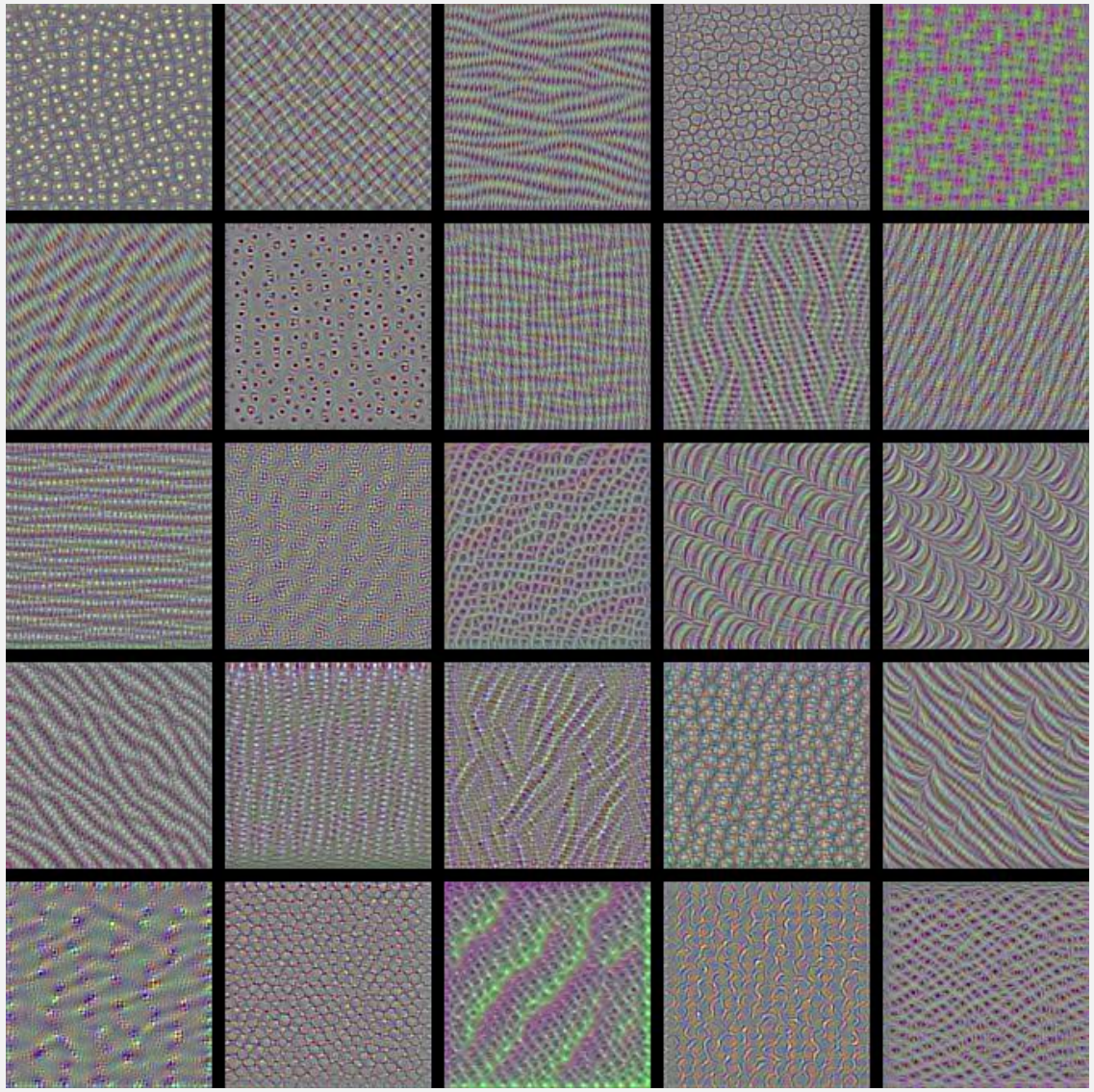

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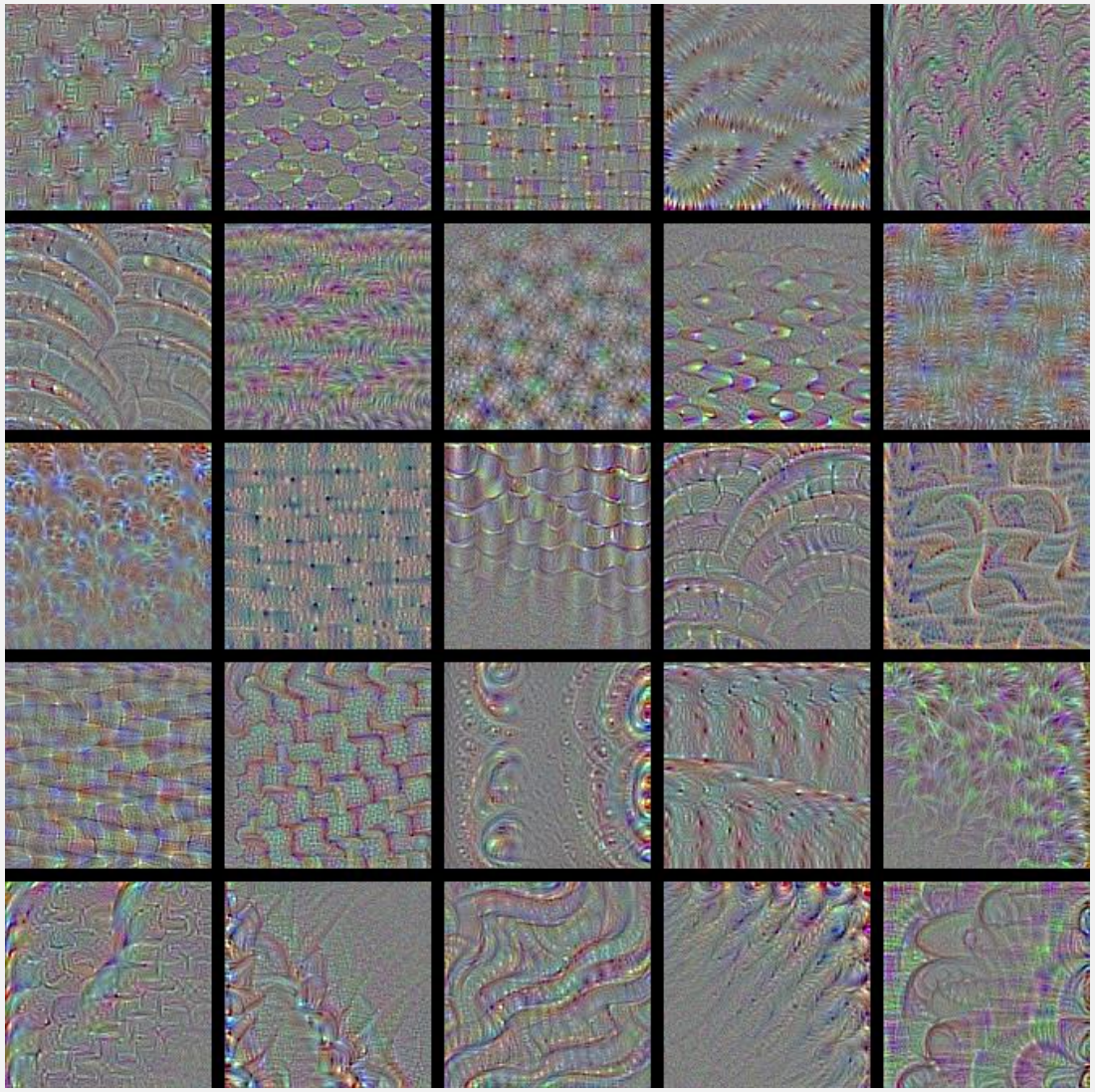

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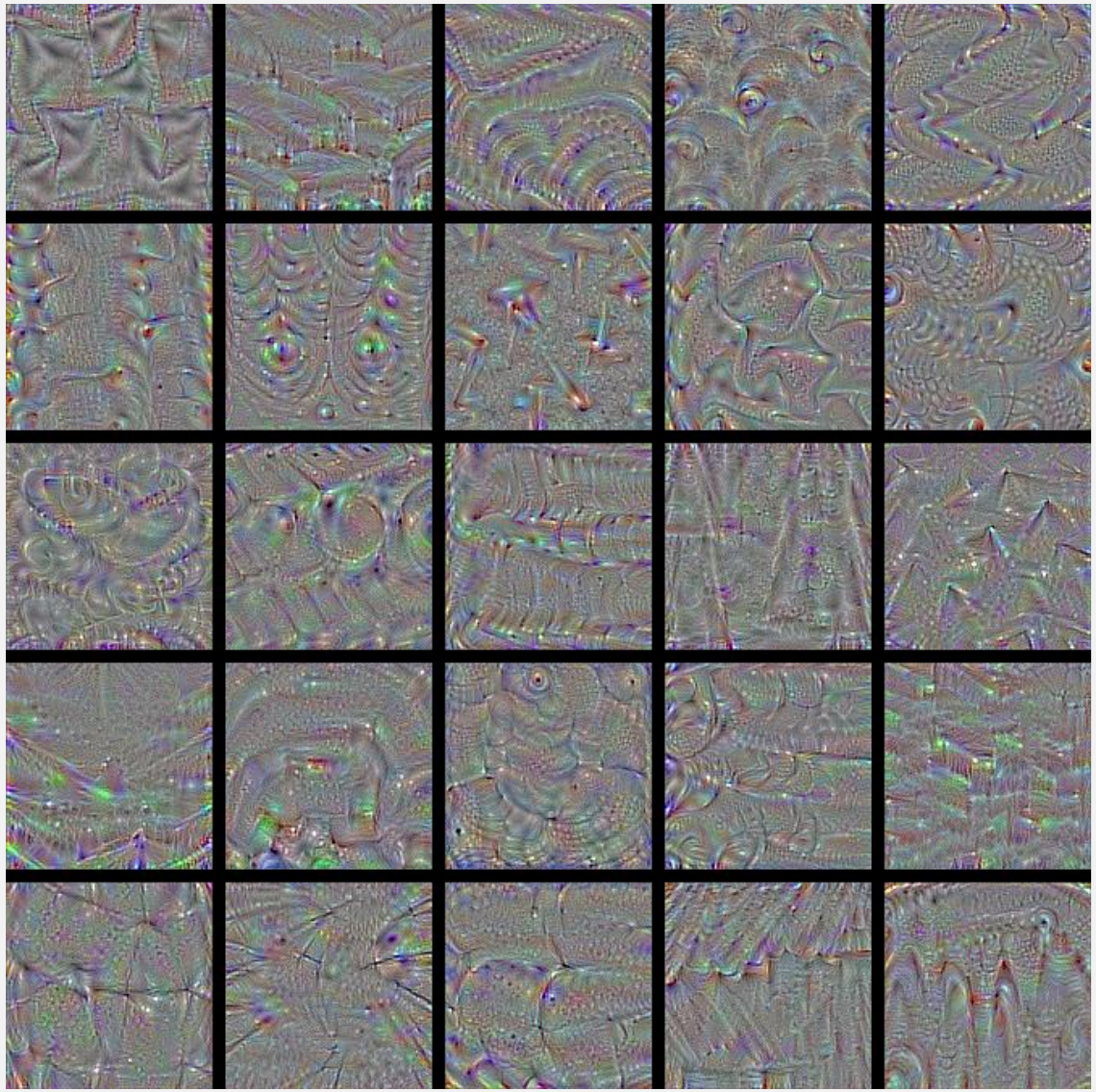

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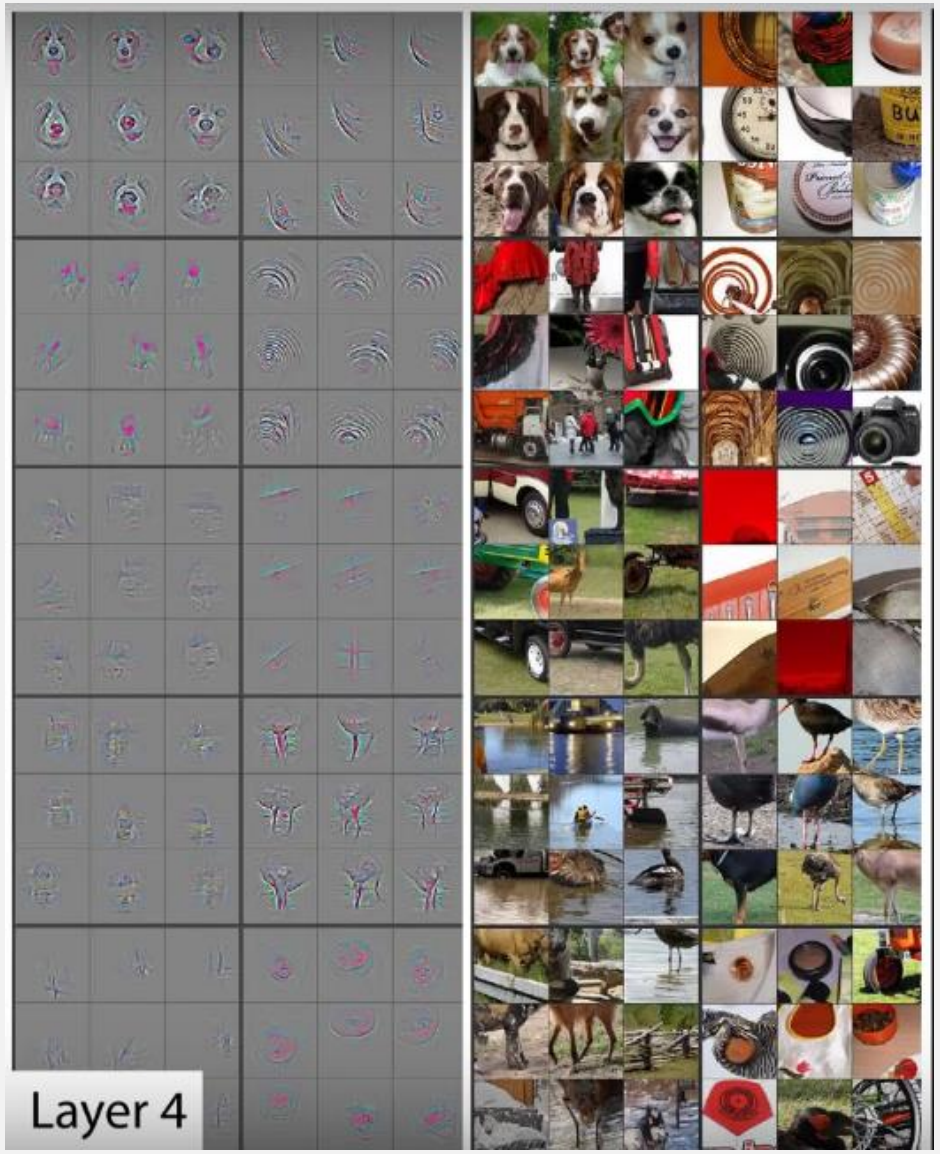

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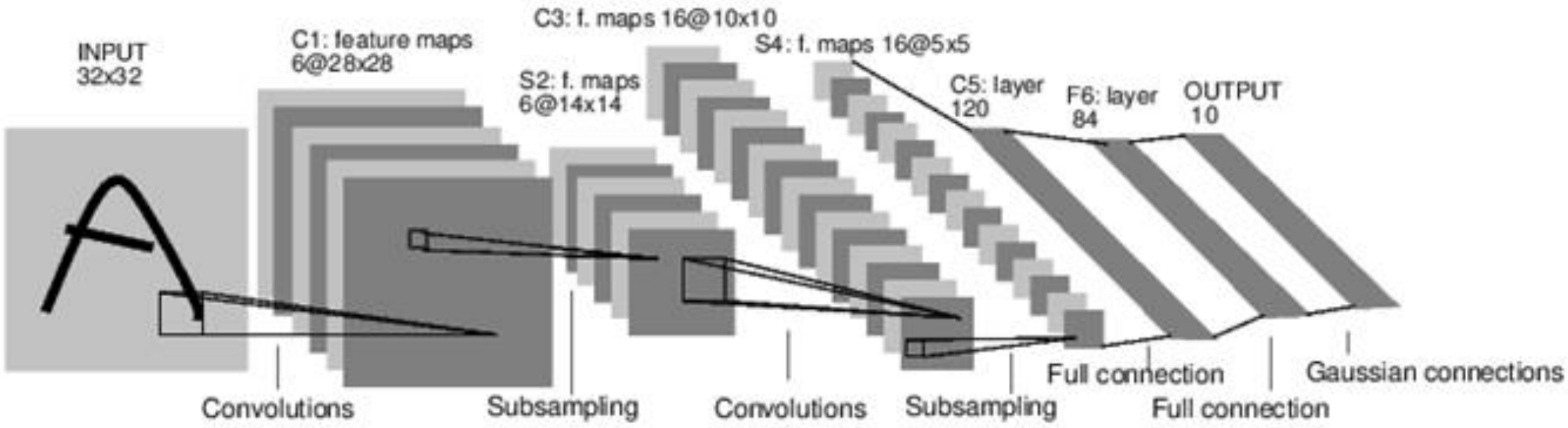
Convolutional Neural Networks



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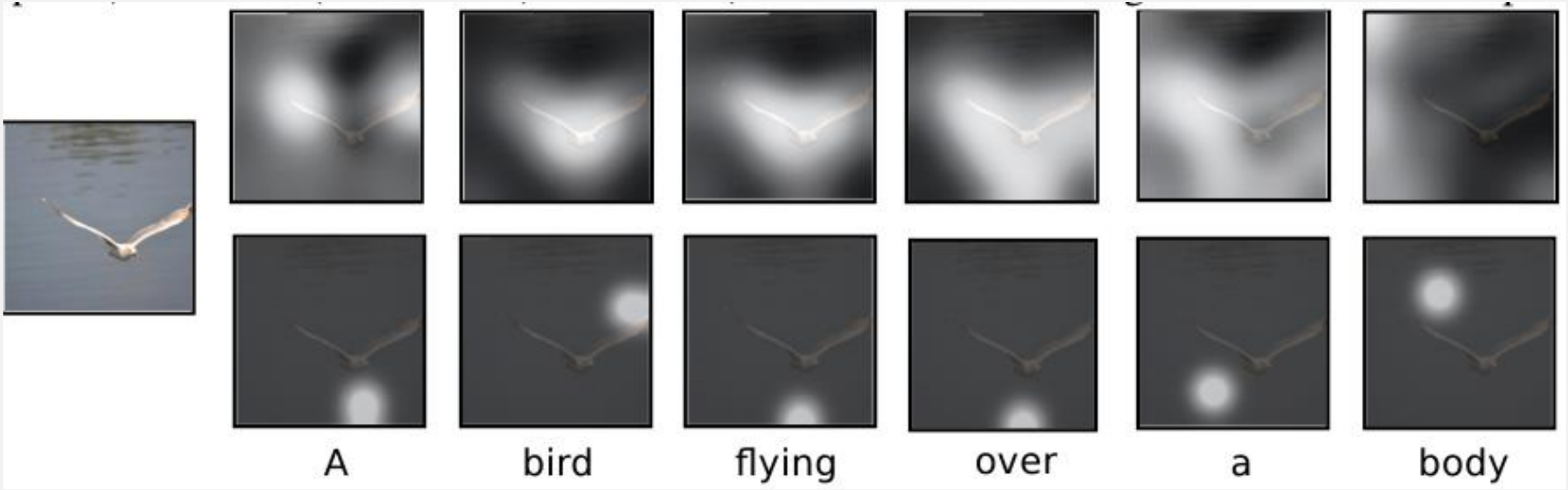
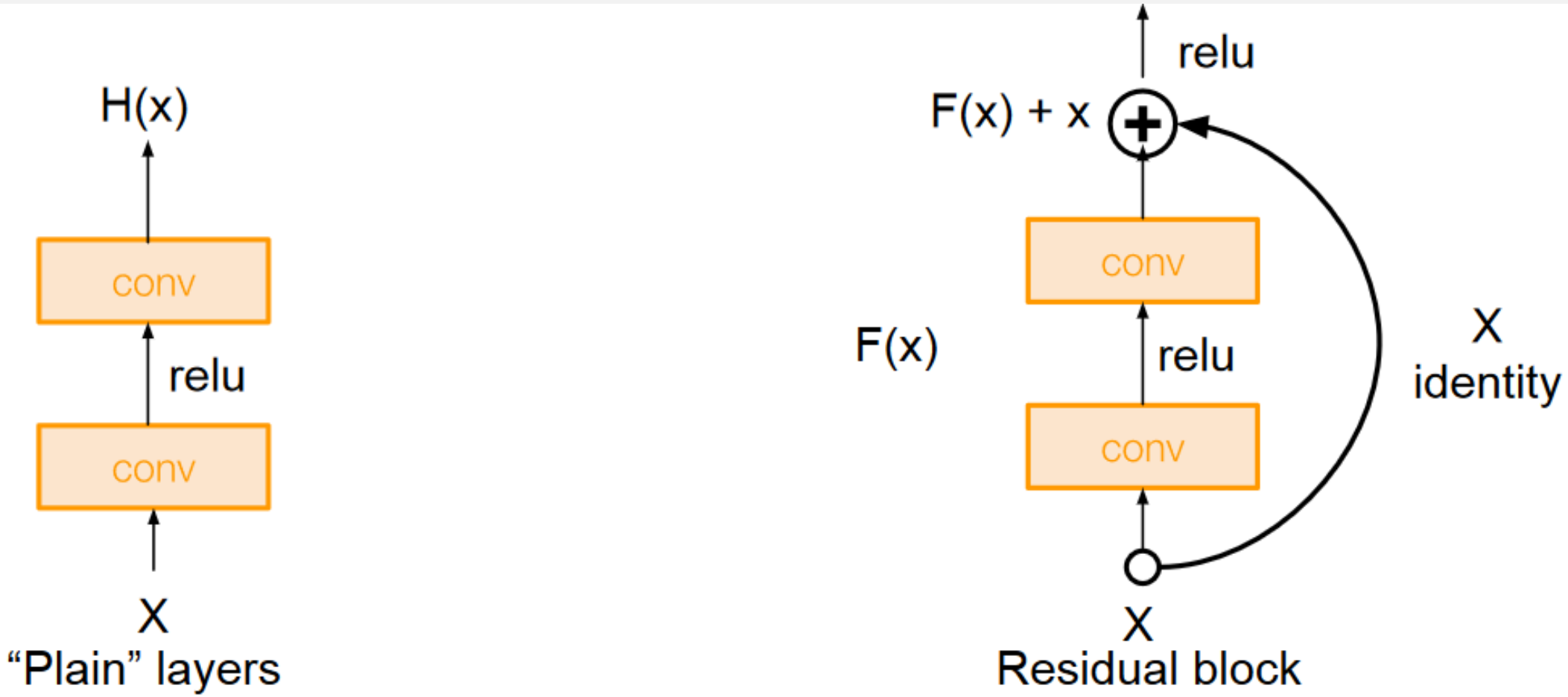
CNNs with Attention



- Attention is a masking mechanism to blank out irrelevant areas of the image
- The attention mask is multiplied with the CNN feature output (aka gating)

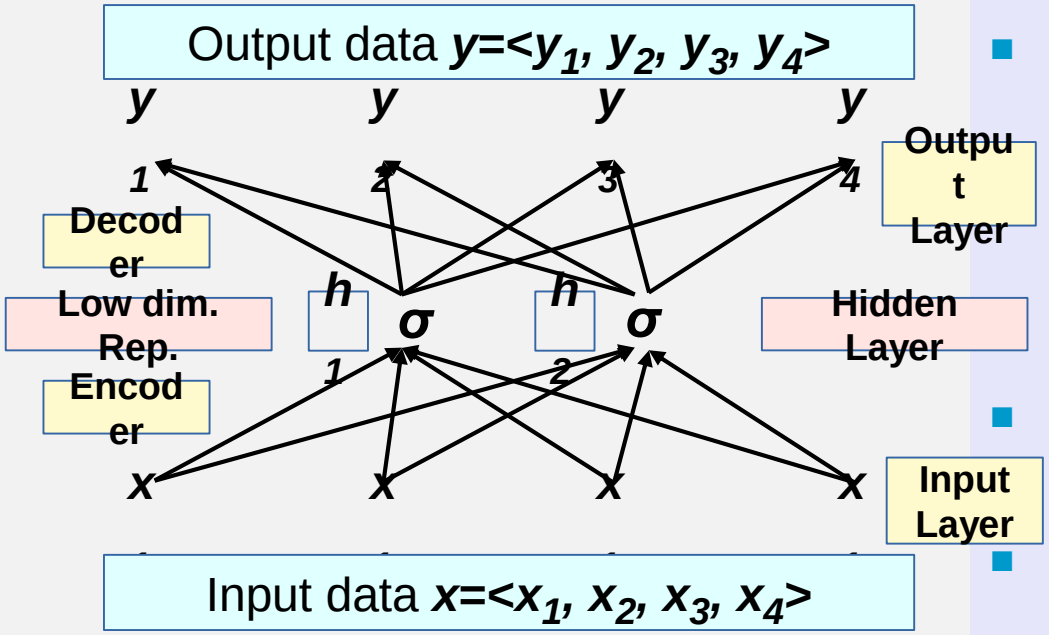
Source : Xu et. al. Show, Attend and Tell: Neural Image Caption Generation with Visual Attention

RESIDUAL LEARNING



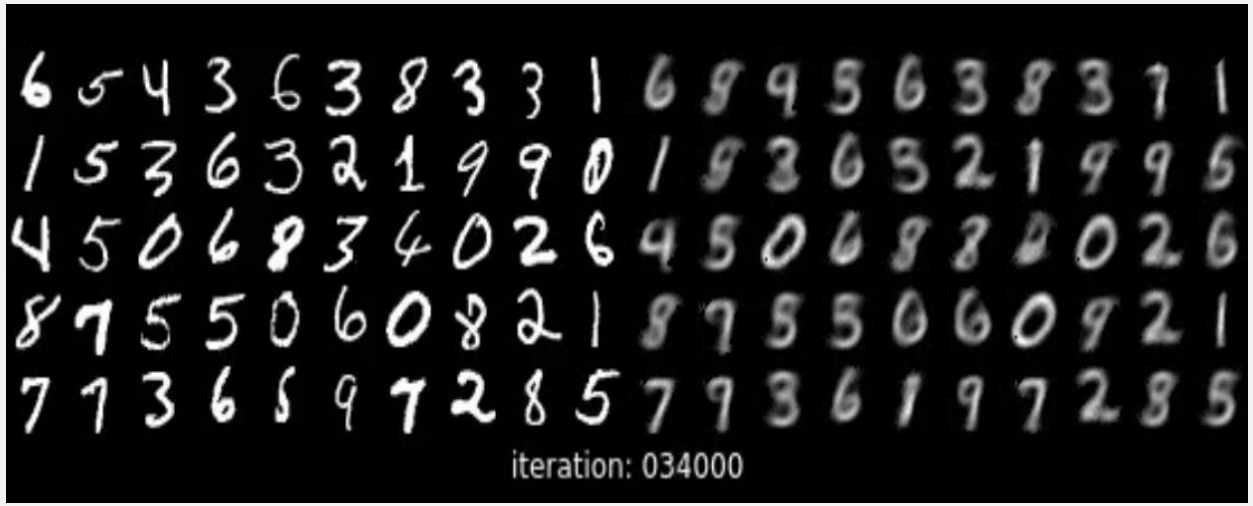
Autoencoder

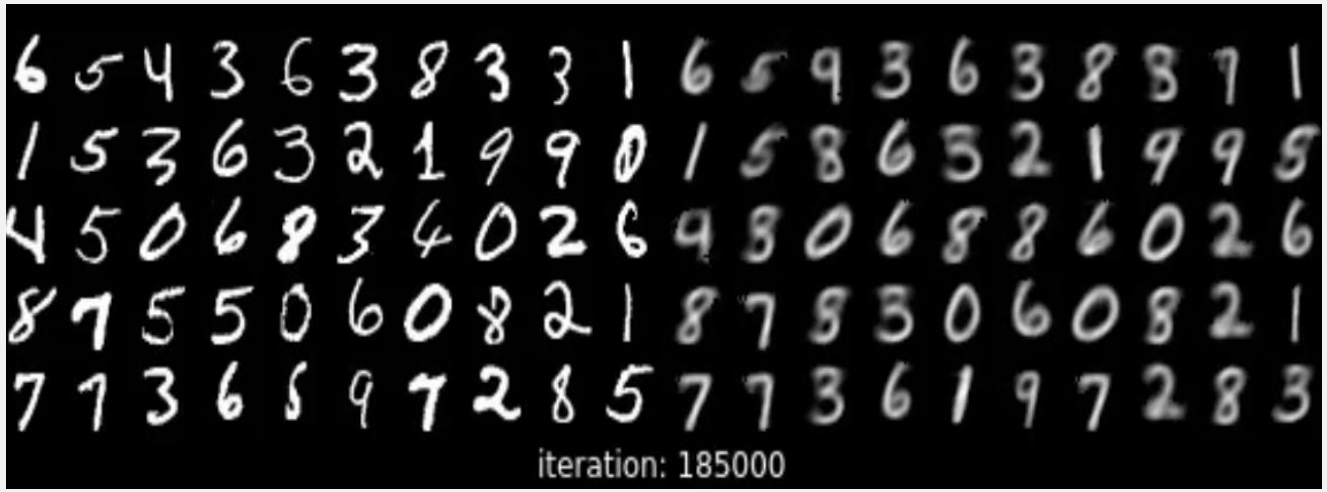
- *Autoencoder* is a generic term used to describe a class of methods for generating low dimensional representations using neural networks.
- There are a large variety of autoencoders (including those based on more complex neural networks such as CNNs, LSTMs, GANs, VAEs etc.)
- The basic structure of an autoencoder is depicted here



- Common to all autoencoders is that the loss is measured in terms of a **reconstruction error.** In this example, one can use (per example) *squared loss*:
- The hidden layer, in this example, given by $\boldsymbol{h = <h_1, h_2>}$ **outputs** the ***low dimensional representation***.
- If no sigmoid units are used, then the **linear** low dim. representation will be similar to that given by PCA (without the orthogonality requirement)

Example





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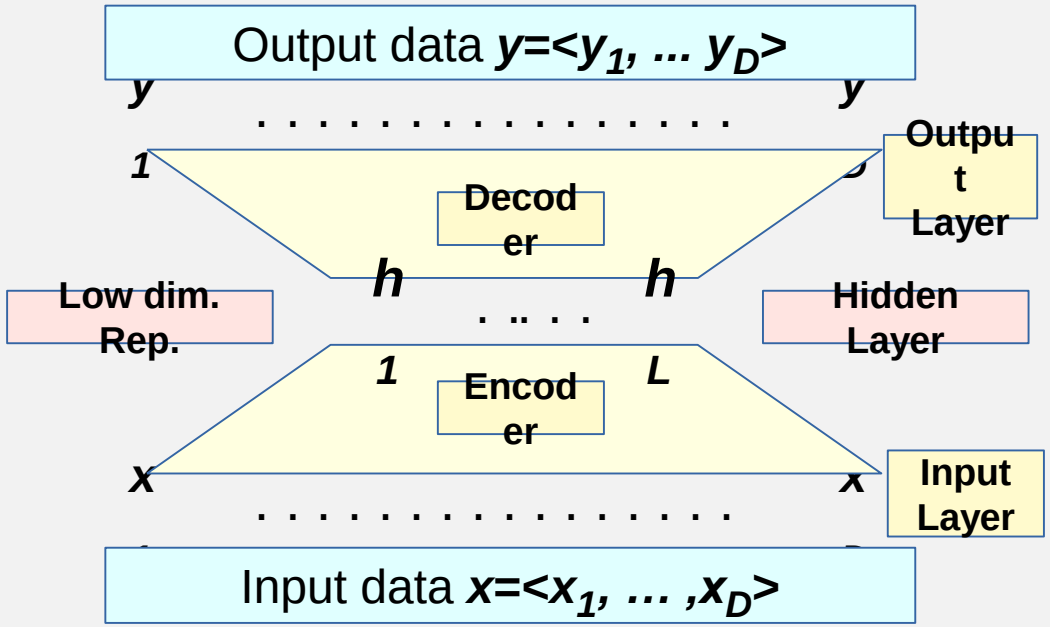
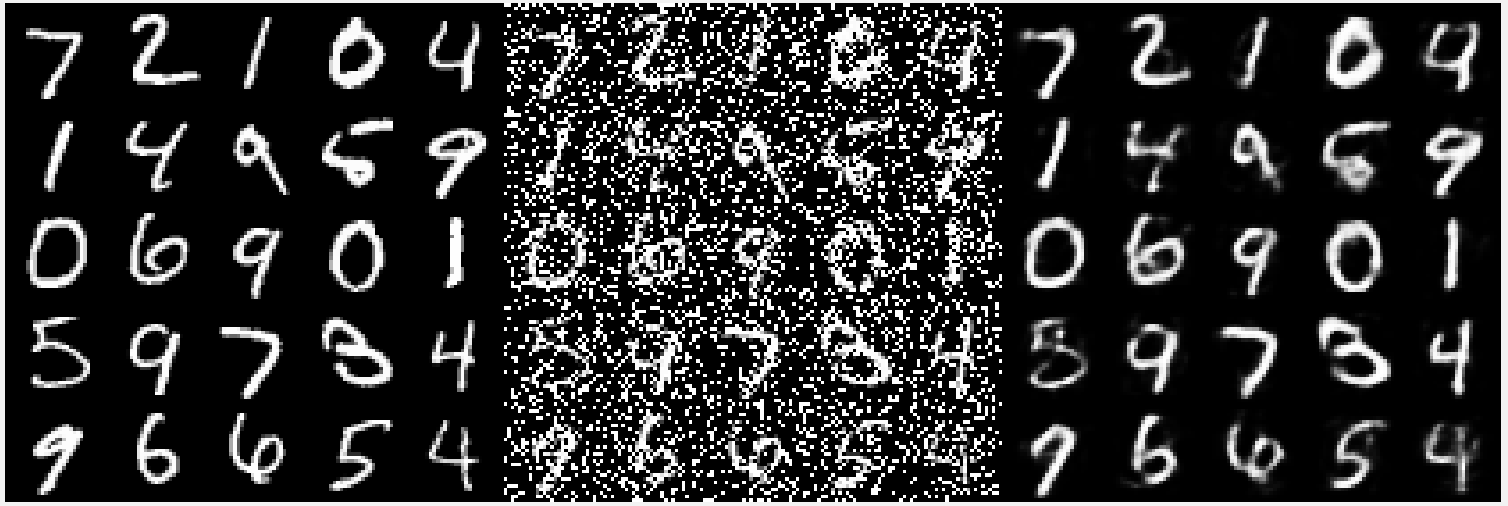
Denoising Autoencoder



- In a denoising autoencoder the input is ***corrupted*** by adding Gaussian noise.
- The decoder is trained to reconstruct the original uncorrupted input.

- The denoising autoencoder finds applications in image/video restoration (e.g WW1 movies)
- It can also be used to make neural networks more robust to noisy input data

Denoising Autoencoder Example



- ***Original*** - ***Corrupted Input*** - ***Reconstructed***

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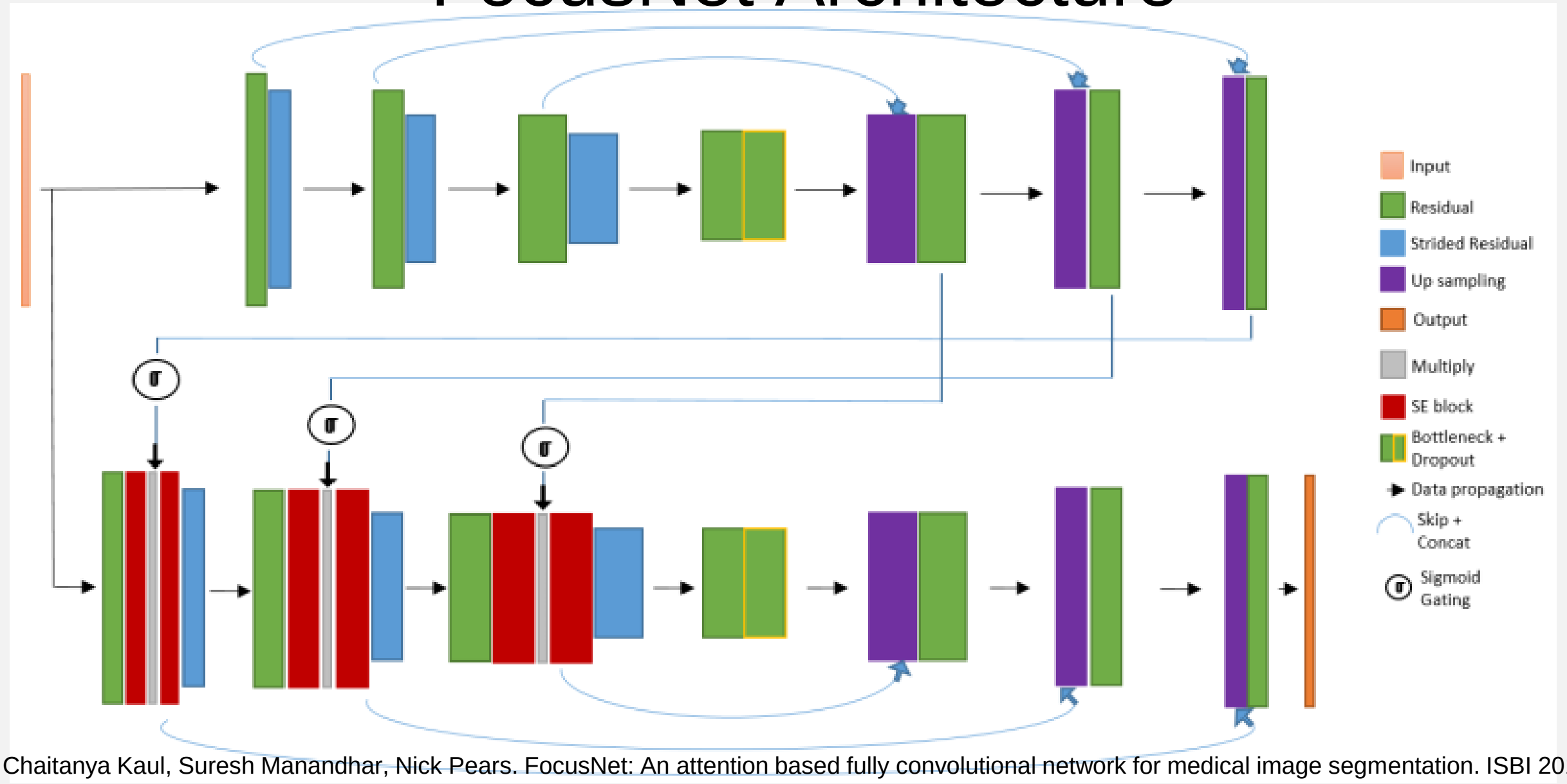
FocusNet Architecture



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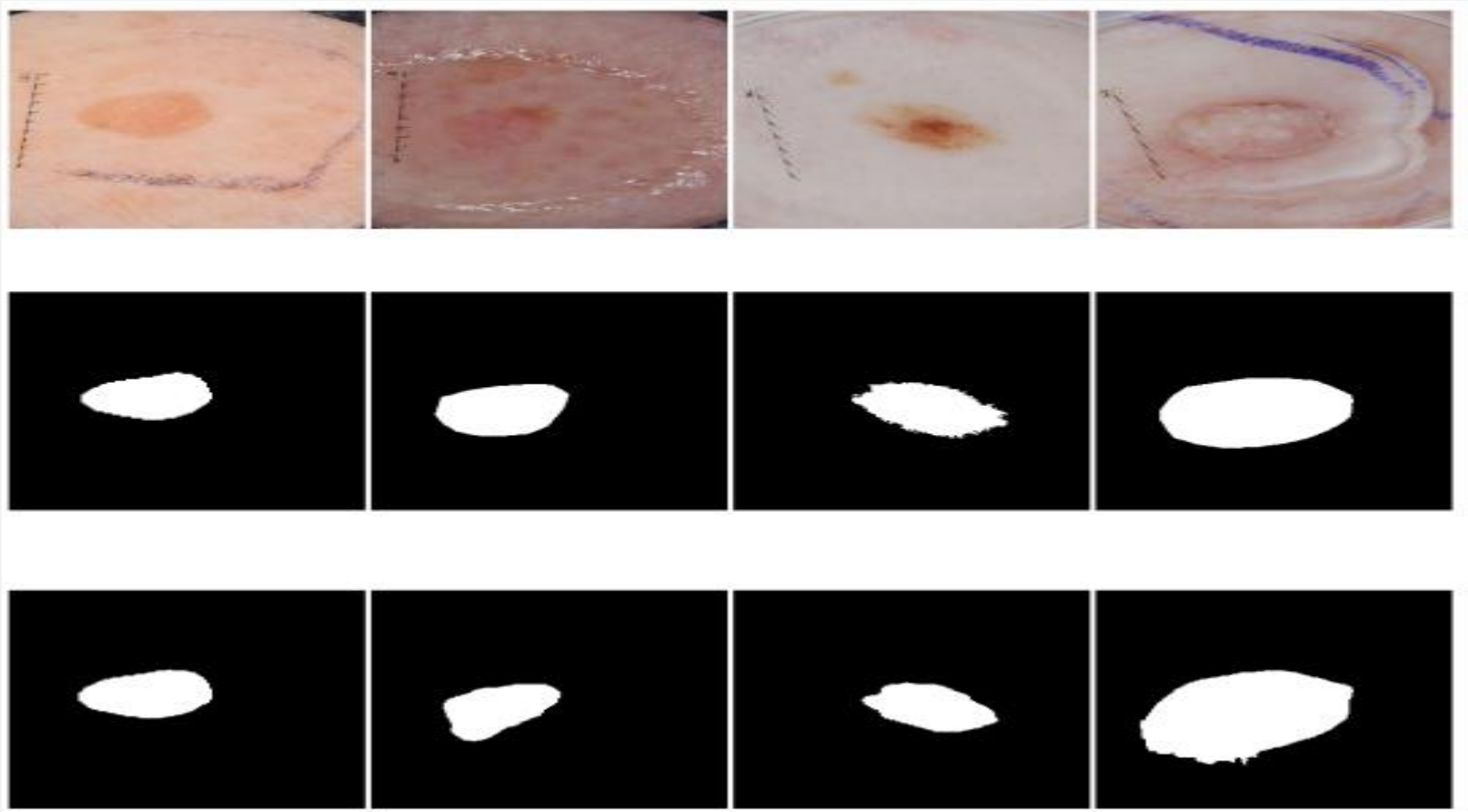
Melanoma segmentation



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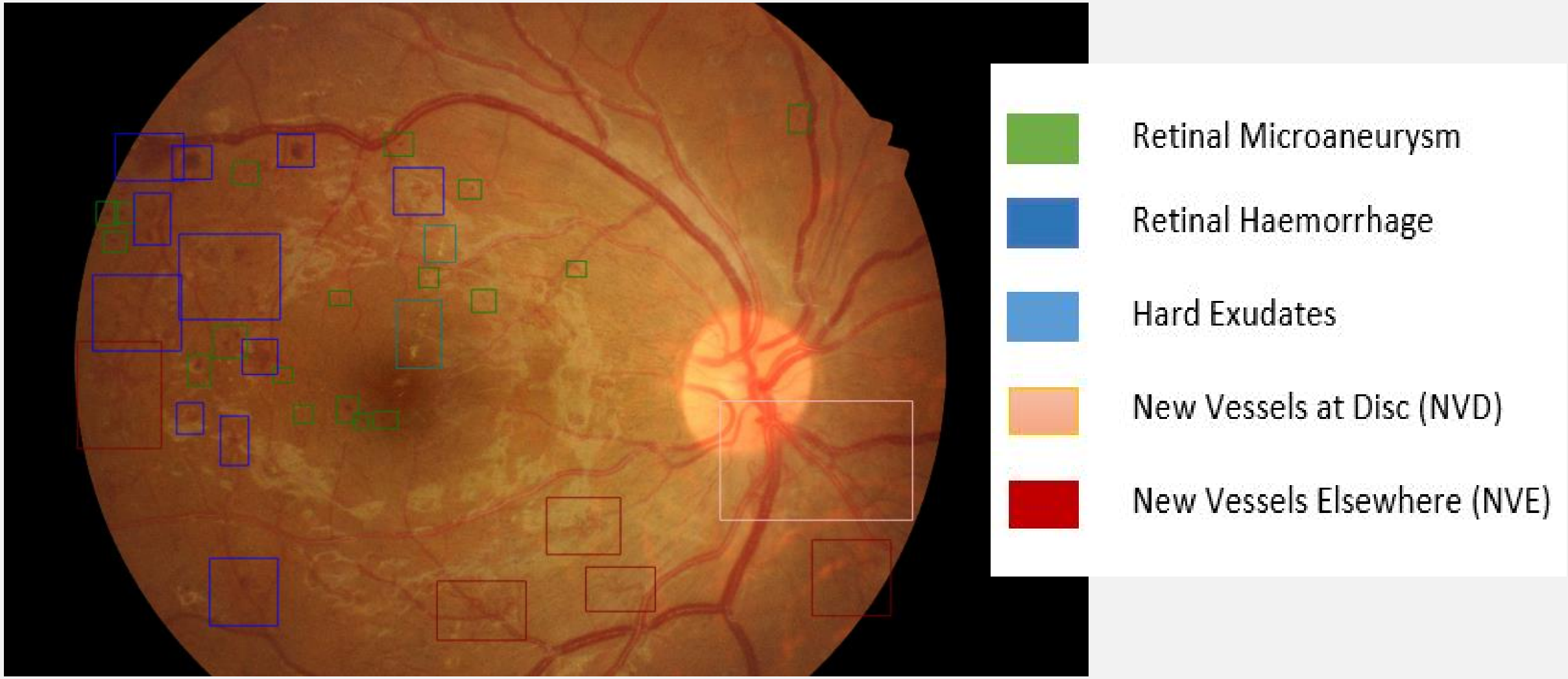

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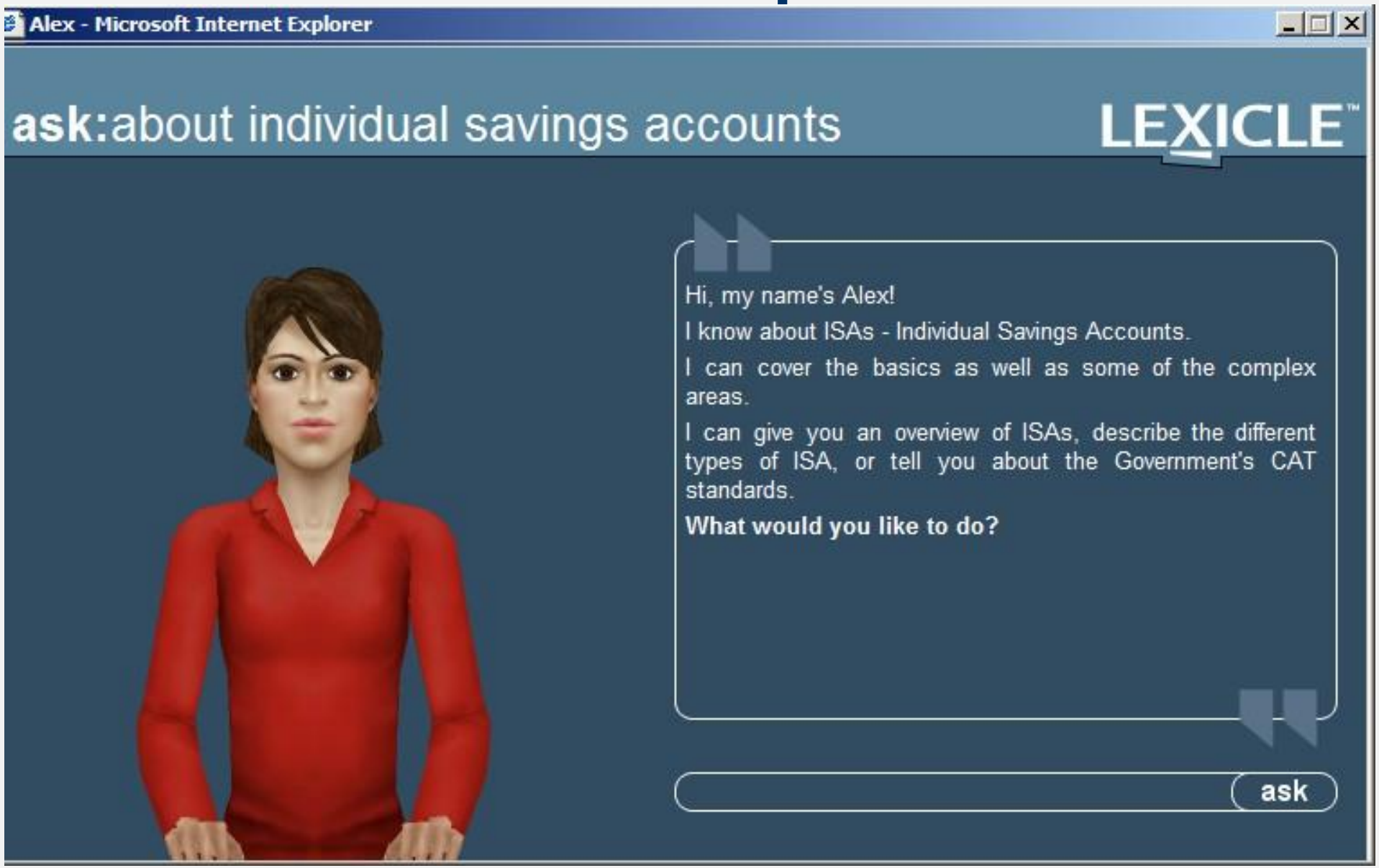
- Mobile phone based non mydriatic camera
- Phone based deployment of deep learning solution

Natural Language Processing

Virtual assistant example



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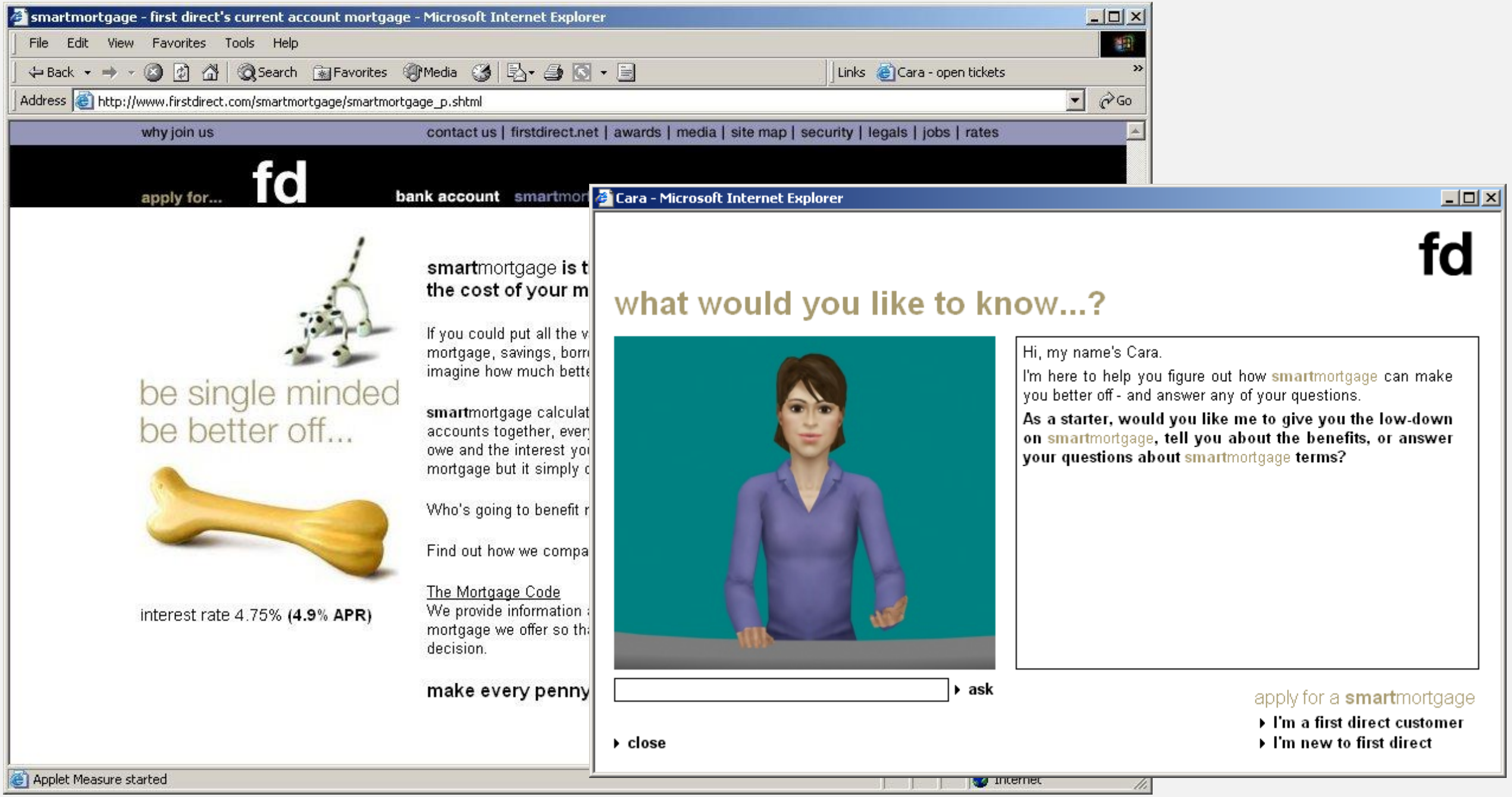

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Applet Measure started

Internet

Virtual assistant example

- **Ultimate goal** -- build machines that can "***understand***" human language (without human supervision)
- Current progress:
  - Large scale robust but **shallow understanding of text**
  - Large scale unsupervised learning using automatically labelled data (self supervision)
  - Mapping between knowledge graphs and natural language
  - Question answering from text and knowledge graphs
  - Dialogue systems querying knowledge graphs and text databases (e.g. Wikipedia)
  - Large scale robust (minimally supervised) machine translation

Distributional Semantics

- **Distributional Semantics: (Harris, 1954)**

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- **Word Space Model (aka Vector Space Model):**

  Meaning of a word can be represented as a co-occurrence vector built from a corpus

Distributional Semantics

- **Example:**

  Freddy is planning to buy a **house** near the city centre

  All the students are having a party in Freddy's **house** in the city centre

	planning	buy	near	city	centre	Freddy	party	having
house	**1**	**1**	**1**	**2**	**2**	**1**	**1**	**1**

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Distributional Hypothesis (Harris, 1954)

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Word Space Model (WSM)

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[I went to buy an] apartment [but the price was high] **(5 word context)**

	vector dimensions					
	animal	buy	apartment	price	rent	kill
House	⟨ 30	60	90	55	45	10 ⟩
Hunting	⟨ 90	15	12	20	33	90 ⟩

Instead of using counts we can use other measures

- **Conditional probability**

$$p(y|x) = \frac{p(y,x)}{p(x)} = \frac{\#(y,x)}{N}\,\frac{N}{\#(x)} = \frac{\#(y,x)}{\#(x)}$$

- Conditional probability gives a measure of directional/asymmetric association
- For window based VSMs, frequent words will have a detrimental effect i.e. if y is frequent
- **Pointwise mutual information** (**PMI**) is a symmetric measure

$$pmi(x,y) = \log\left(\frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)p(y)}\right) = log\left(\frac{\#(x,y)}{N}\,\frac{N}{\#(x)}\frac{N}{\#(y)}\right) = log\left(\frac{\#(x,y)}{\#(x)\#(y)}N\right)$$

- Insensitive to frequent words but can give negative values
- **Positively shifted PMI** (**PPMI**) gives smoothed positive values:

$$ppmi(x,y) = \log\left(1 + \frac{p(x,y)}{p(x)p(y)}\right)$$

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Given the distributional hypothesis we expect that it is more likely:

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VSM as a meaning representation in vector space

- The VSM is an explicit representation that is high dimensional
  (~ vocabulary size > 30,000)
- It is also very sparse (with most entries 0). **Why**?

Computing Similarity in meaning between two words

- VSMs can recover the similarity in meaning between words e.g. using cosine similarity or KL/JS divergence

- Thus, we expect $\boldsymbol{cos(book, novel)}$ to be high

$$\boldsymbol{cos(A, B)} = \frac{\boldsymbol{A.B}}{\boldsymbol{|A||B|}}$$

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- that generalises better (i.e. can work with smaller datasets)

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- **I heated the food The food got hot (entails/contradicts/unrelated)**

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- For each of the tasks we can generate a training dataset containing the correct and incorrect predictions.
- For example, for the **fill in the blank** task we can create training data:
  - [the, dog] [the, cat] □ chases **(+ example)** should give class ***1***
  - [the, dog] [the, cat] □ bites **(+ example)** should give class ***1***
  - [the, dog] [the, cat] □ buy **(- example)** should give class ***0***
- Think of the □ as a machine learning model that we train using this data

Classwork – create training data

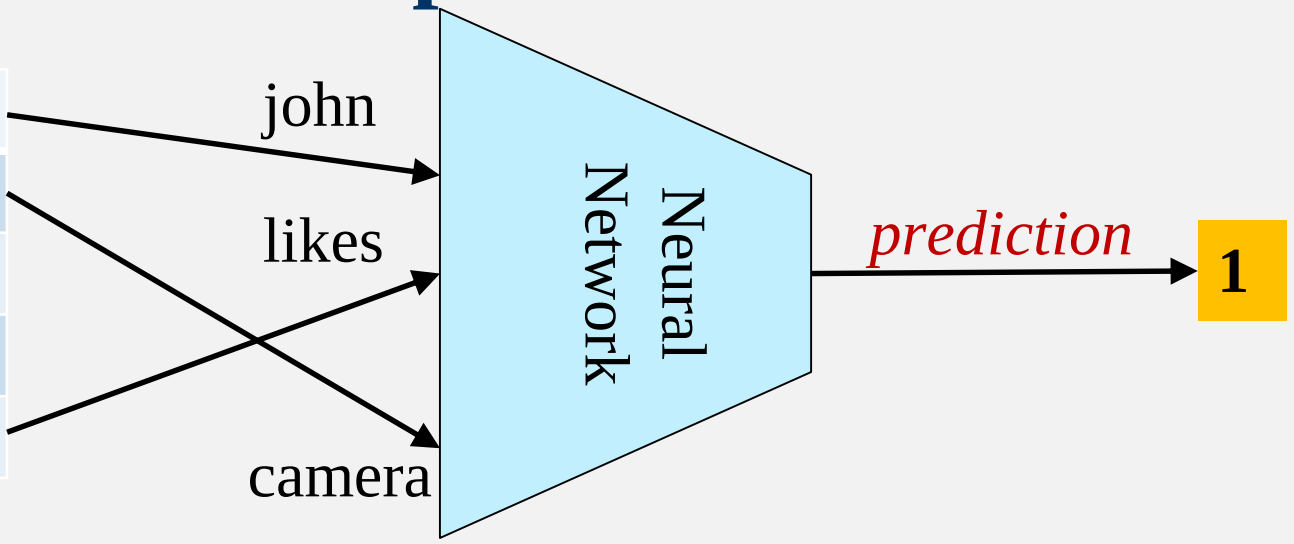
- For the left/right context prediction task:

  My neighbours have a dog that is quite scary (predict left/right context word)

- Create the training data:

Word Embeddings – The setup

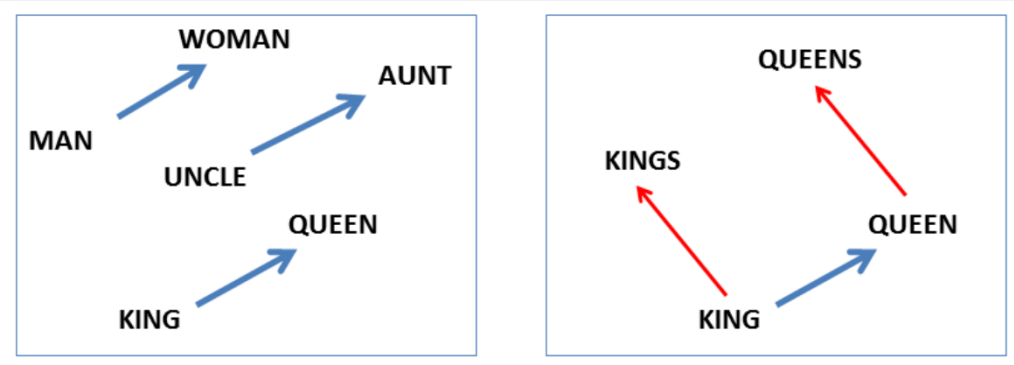
john	0.0012	0.0025	….
camera	0.20	…	
……	…		
……			
likes	0.01	0.001	



- Transfer learning using pre-trained embeddings (e.g. word2vec, GloVe)
- Domain specific learning
- Combination

Analogy tasks

- Analogy between words:
  - woman − man ≈ queen − king
  - king − man + woman ≈ queen



- **England** − London + Baghdad = ? Iraq
- Equivalently:

$$\underset{B'}{arg\,max}\ cos(B', \textbf{England} - \text{London} + \text{Baghdad})$$

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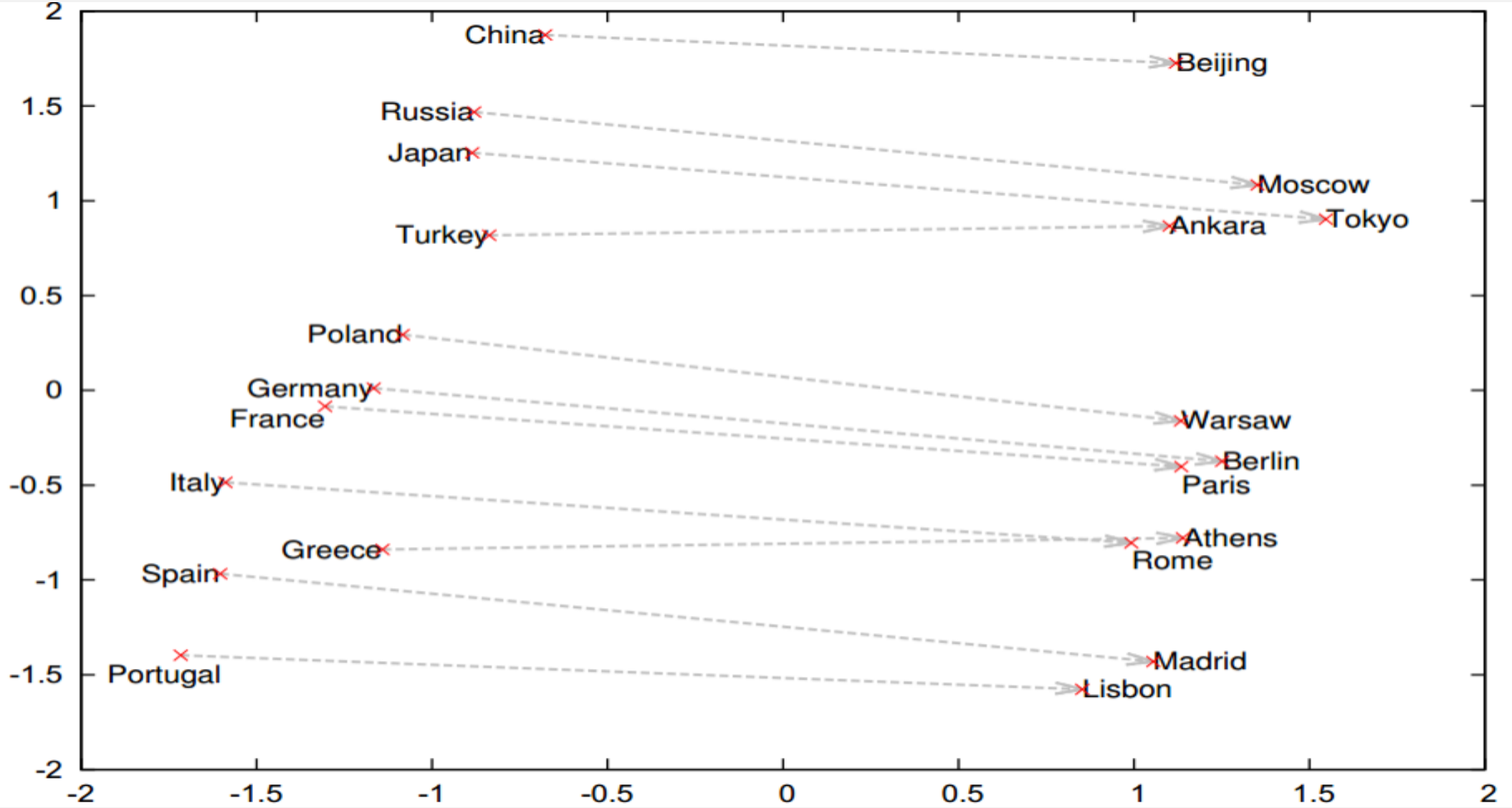
Directional Similarity



Sentence level classification tasks in NLP

- **Sentiment analysis** (positive, negative, neutral etc.)

Example: The food was fine but the décor was unimpressive

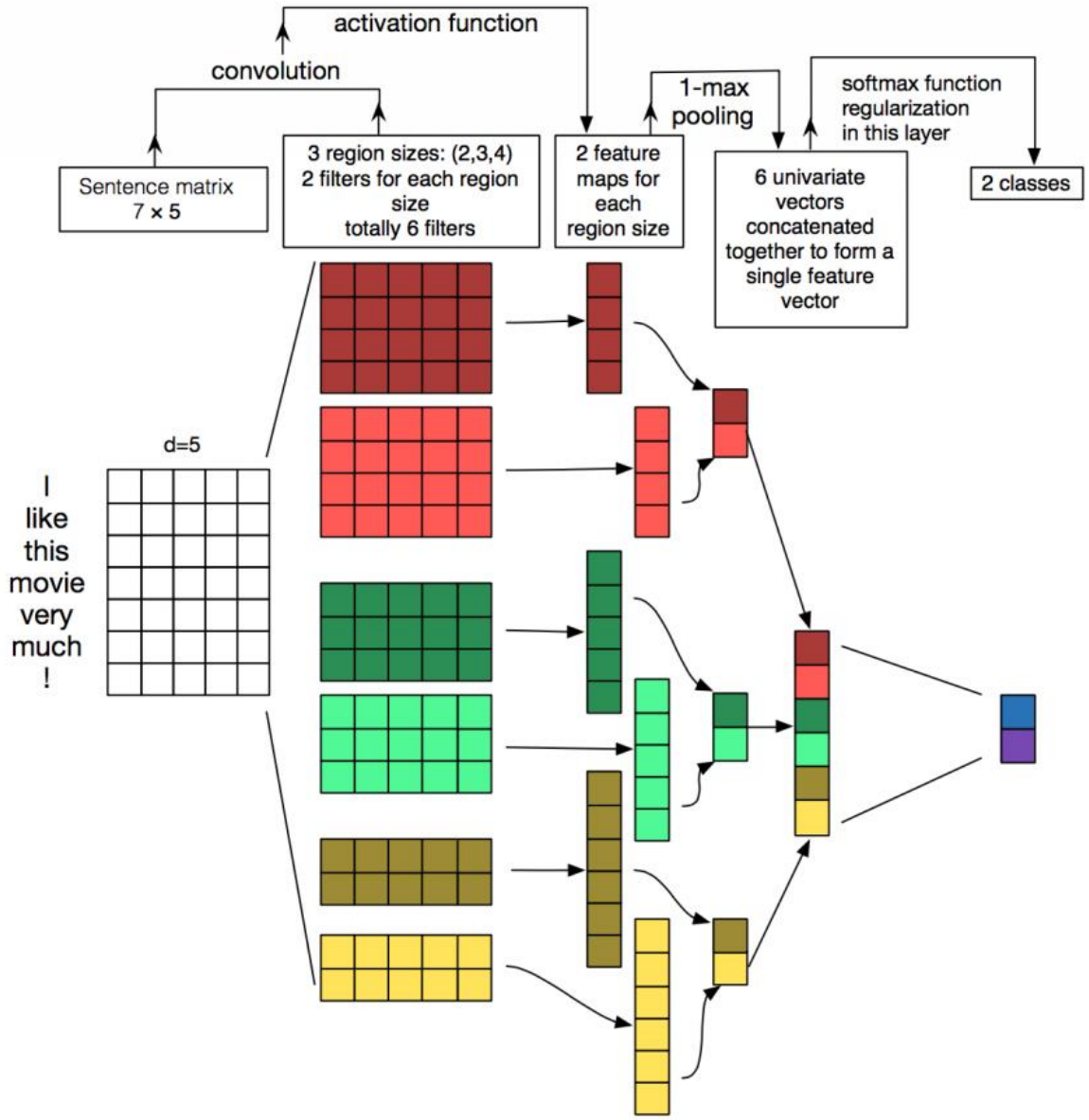
- **Subjectivity classification** (subjective vs objective)

Example: The match today was bit boring

- **Question type classification** (who i.e. person, where i.e. location, which restaurant restaurant)

Example: Which hotel is near to the city centre?

CNN models for sentence classification



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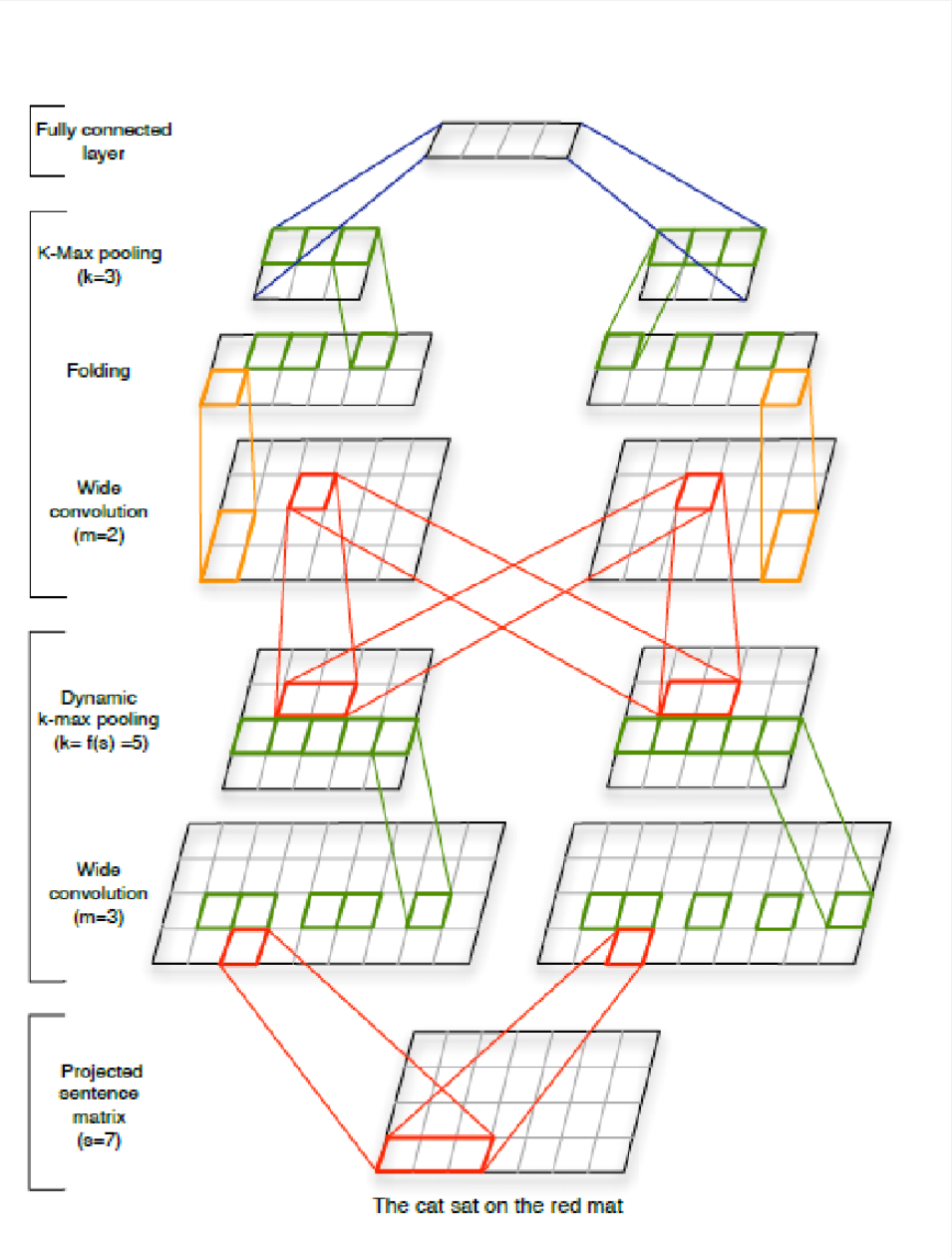

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