

# Interpretable Deep Learning

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Part I – Introduction to Interpretability

Part 2 – Interpreting Deep Neural Networks

Part 3 – Evaluating Attribution Methods

# Part I – Introduction to Interpretability

# What is Interpretability?

AlphaGo vs. Lee Sedol



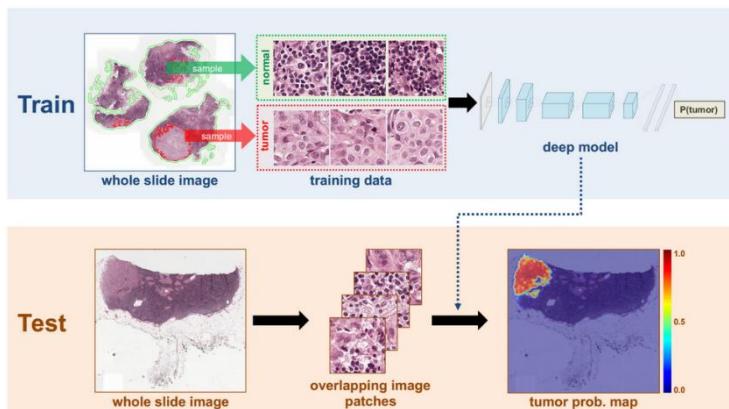
ImageNet Challenge



Self-driving Cars



Disease Diagnosis



Neural Machine Translation



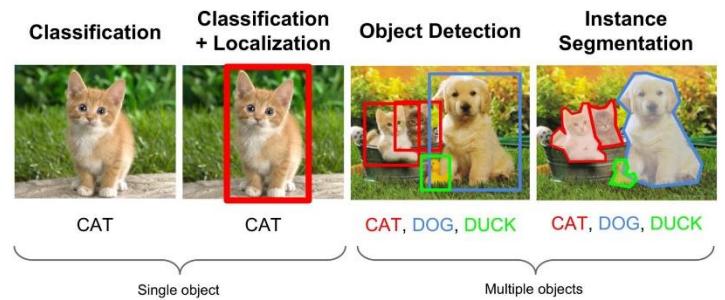
& More to Come!

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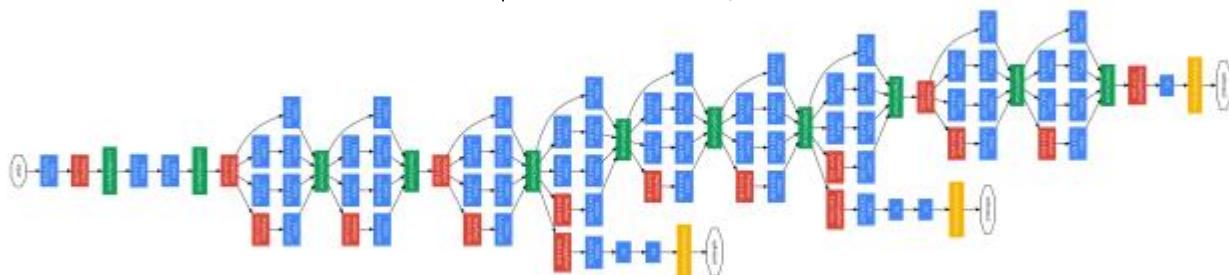
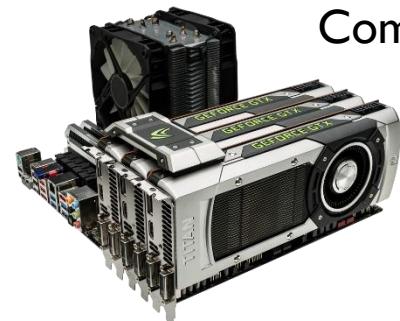
Large Dataset



Task Solving

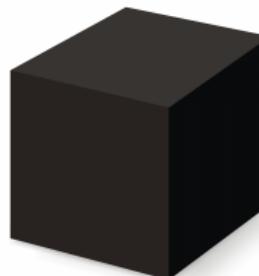


Computing Power



Deep Neural Networks

Implicit Information



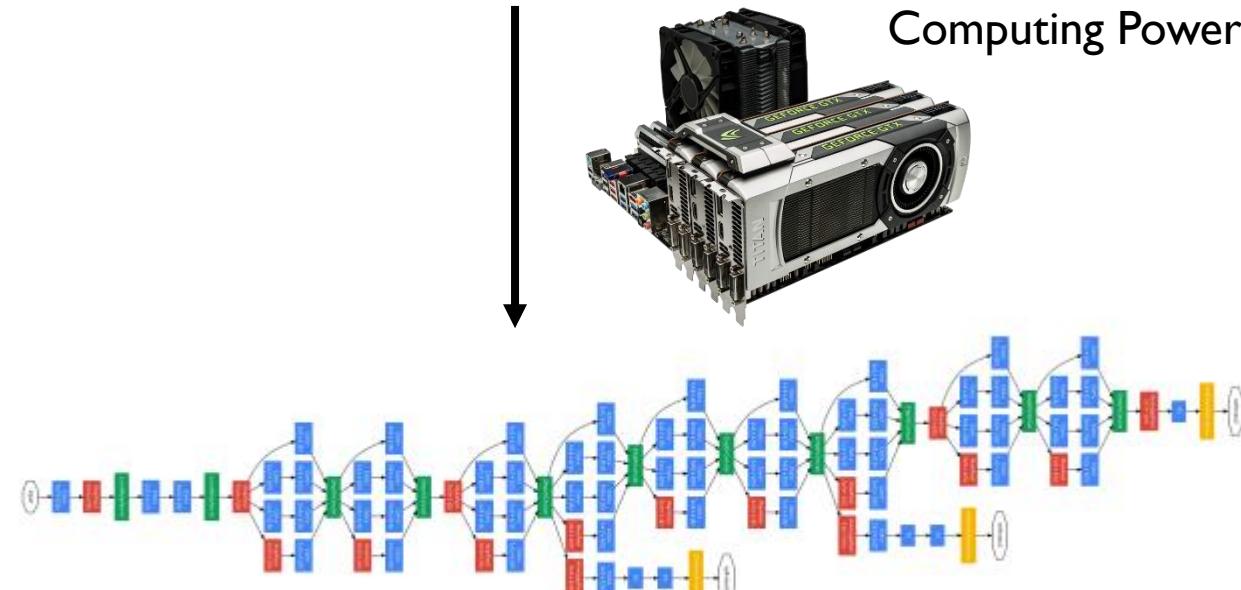
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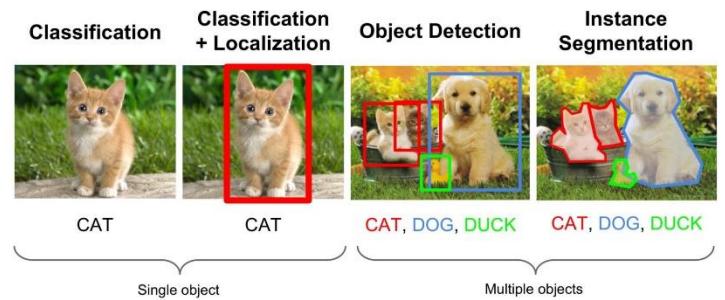
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...So What?

# Why Interpretability?

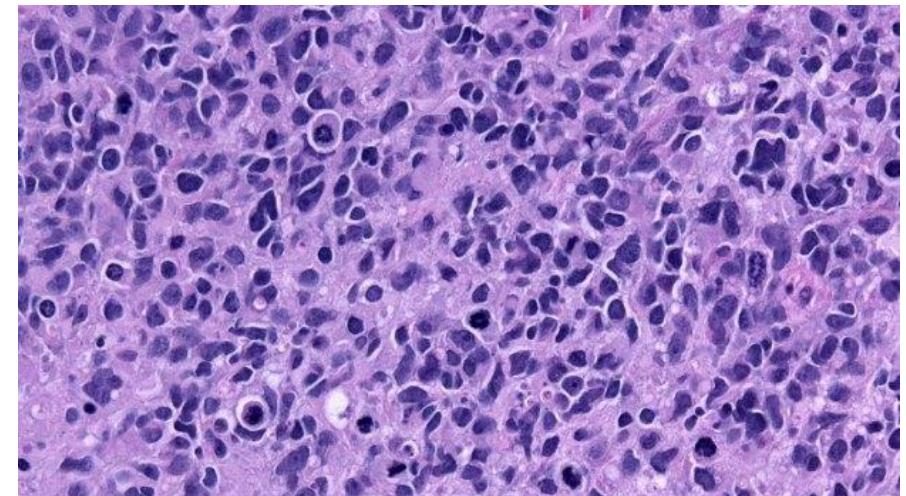
## I. Verify that model works as expected

Wrong decisions can be costly and dangerous

Self-driving Uber kills Arizona woman in first fatal crash involving pedestrian

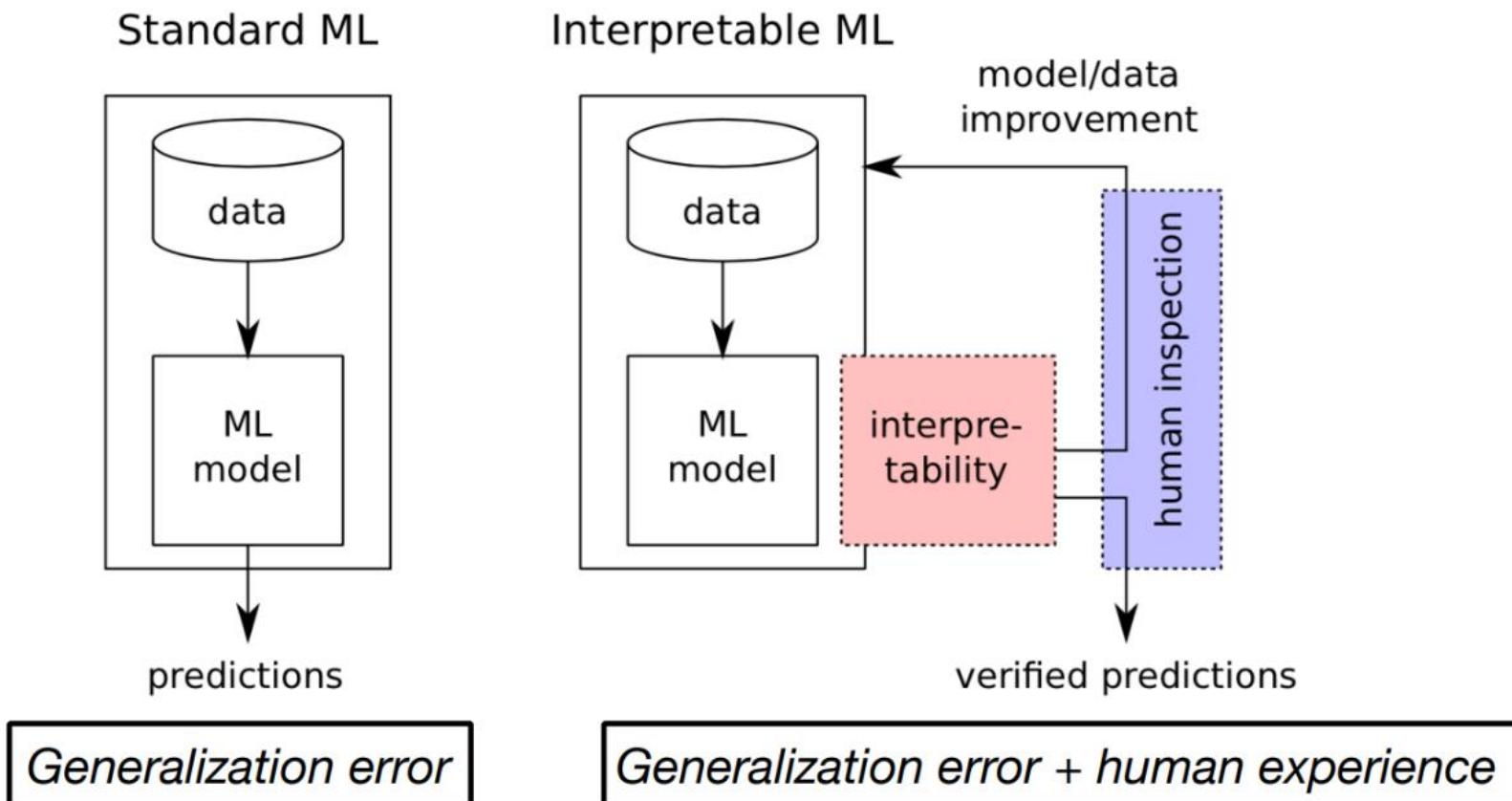


Disease Misclassification



# Why Interpretability?

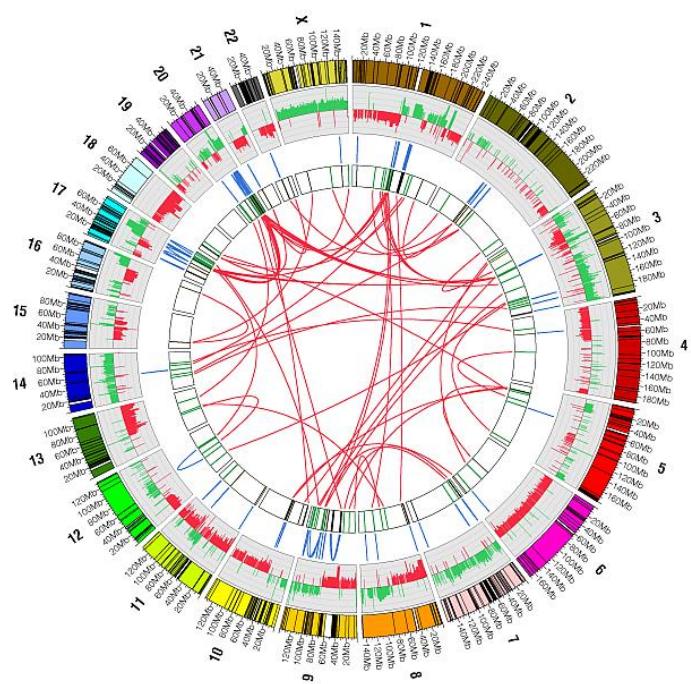
## 2. Improve / Debug classifier



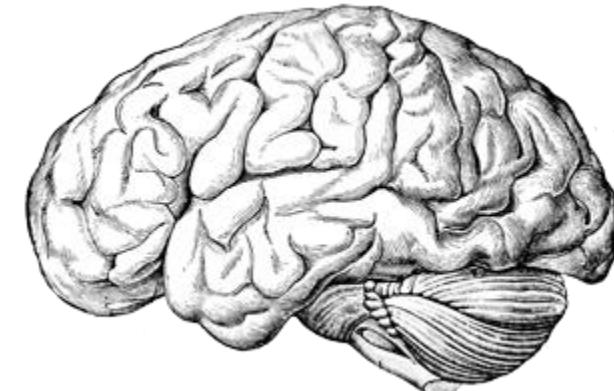
# Why Interpretability?

## 3. Make new discoveries

Learn about the physical / biological / chemical mechanisms



Learn about the human brain



# Why Interpretability?

## 4. Right to explanation

“Right to be given an explanation for an output of the algorithm”

*Ex.*

- US Equal Credit Opportunity Act
- The European Union General Data Protection Regulation
- France Digital Republic Act

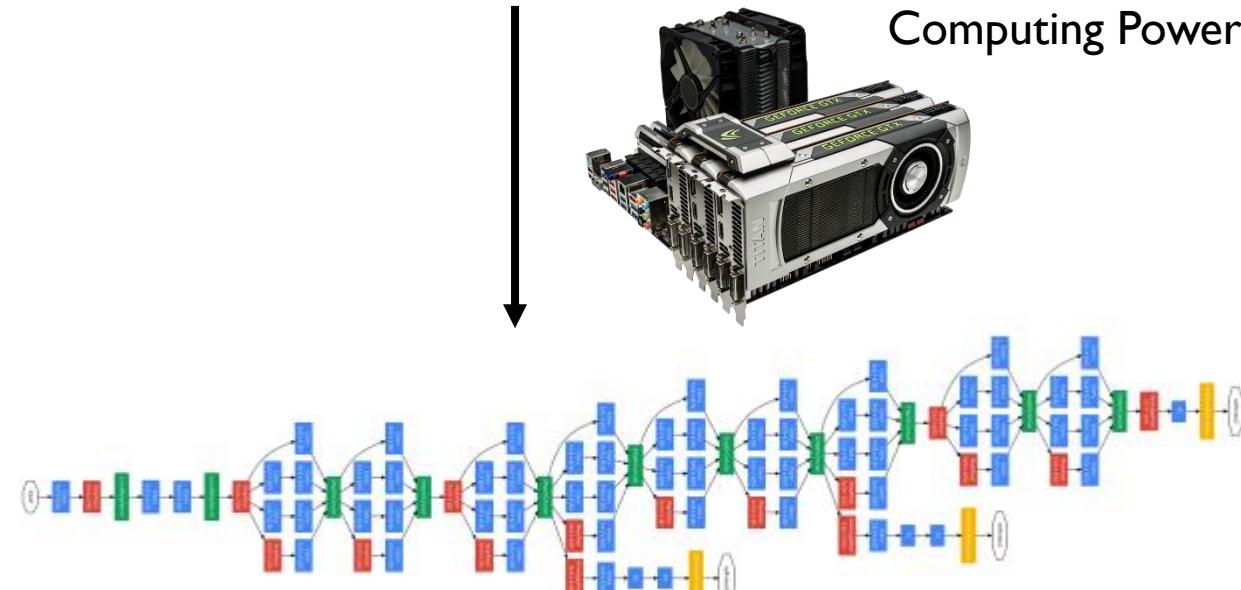
# Back to Interpretability!

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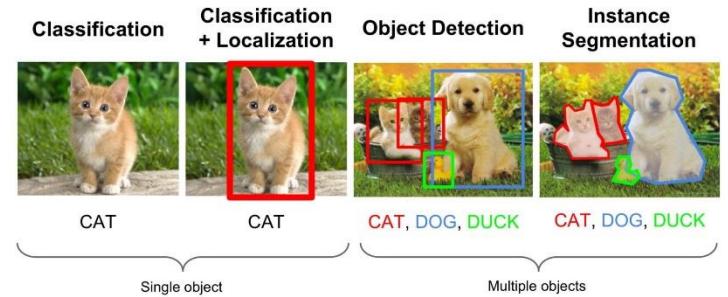


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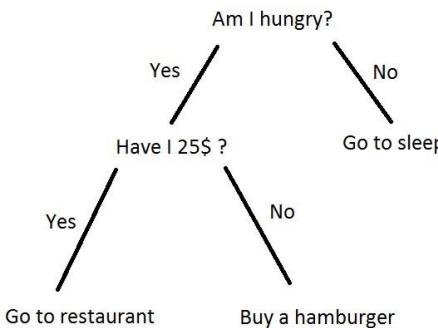
Implicit Information 11

# Types of Interpretability in ML

## Ante-hoc Interpretability

Choose an interpretable model and train it.

Ex.



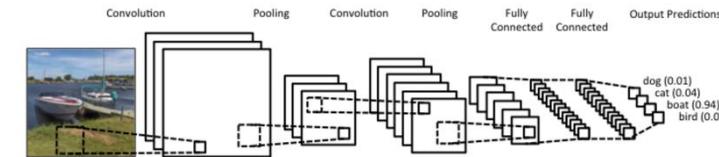
Decision Tree

**Problem.** Is the model expressive enough to predict the data?

## Post-hoc Interpretability

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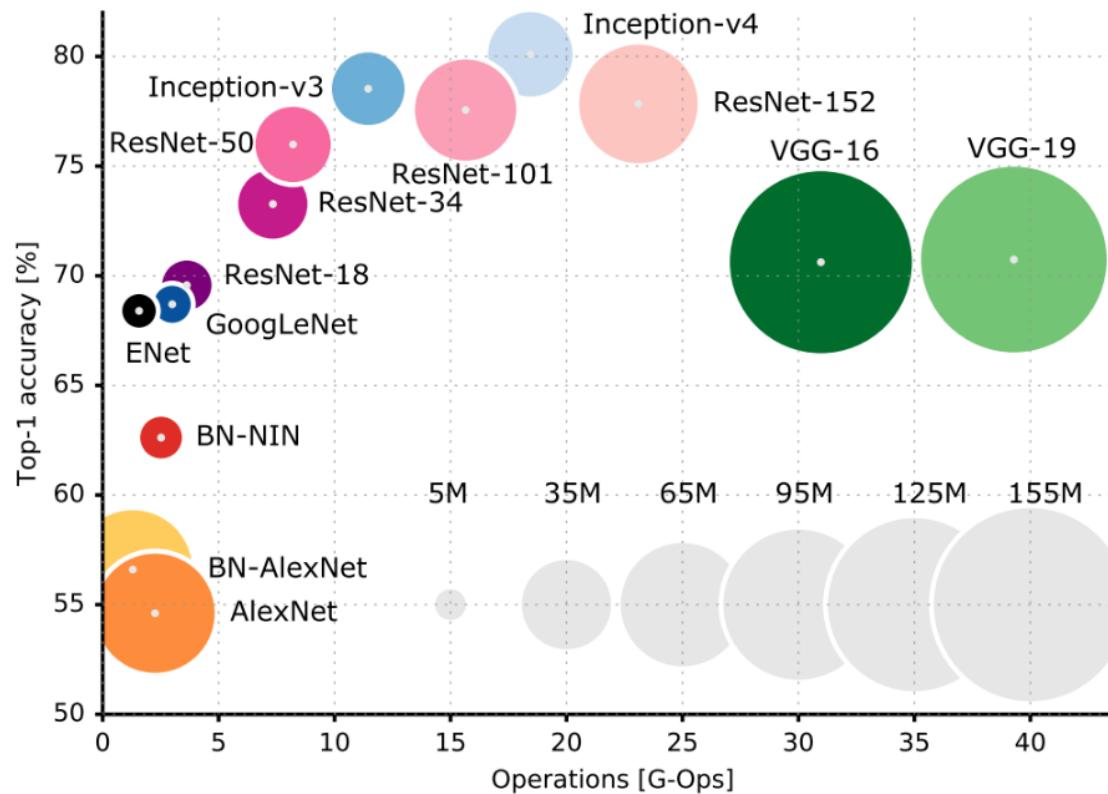
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Deep Neural Networks

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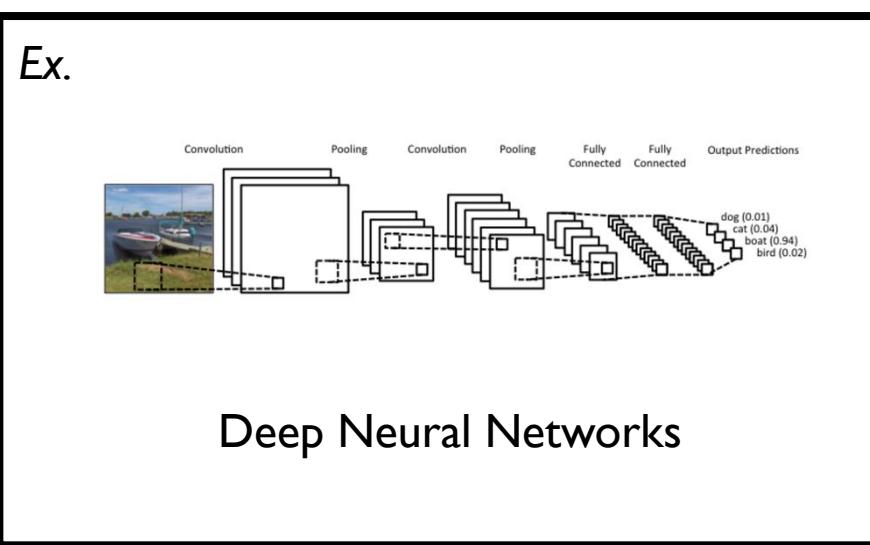


At least 5 million parameters!  
(오백만)

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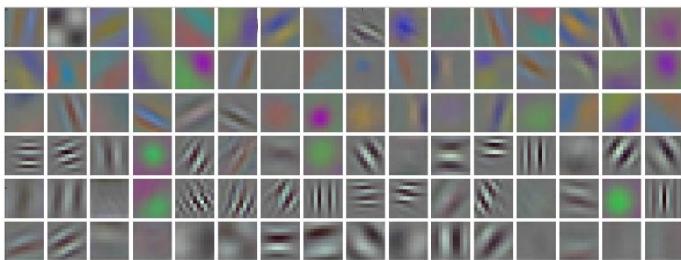


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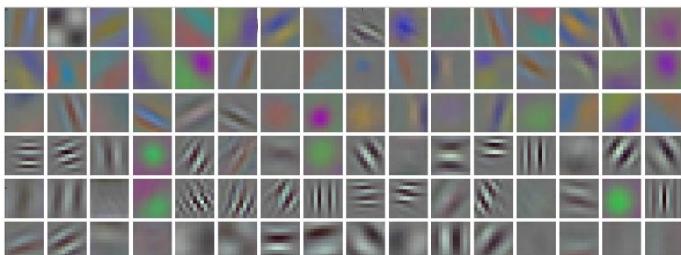
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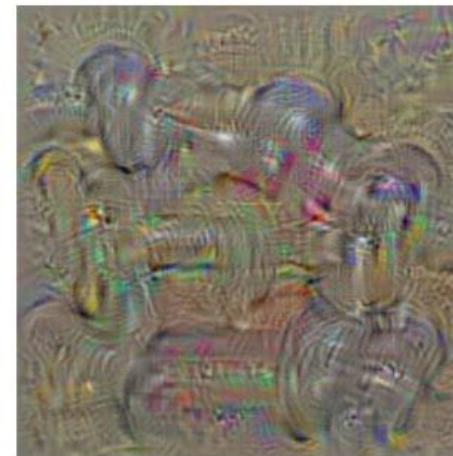
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**Input**



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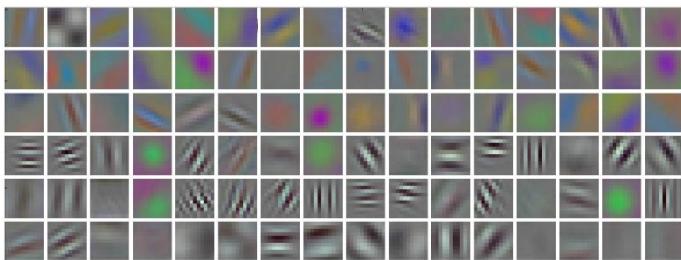
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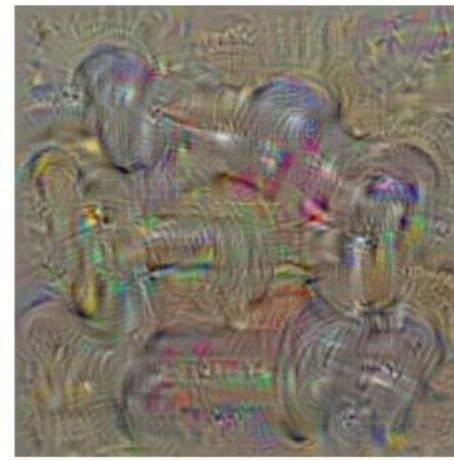
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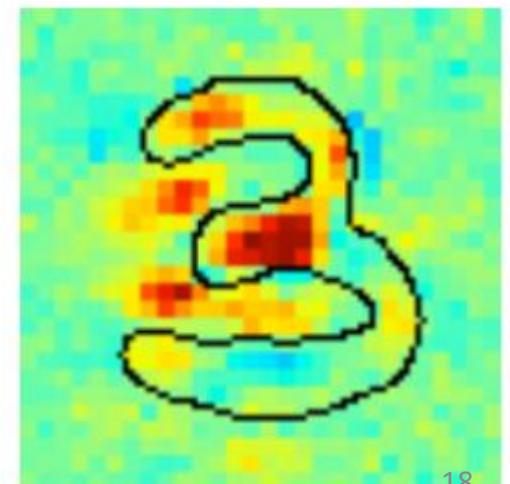
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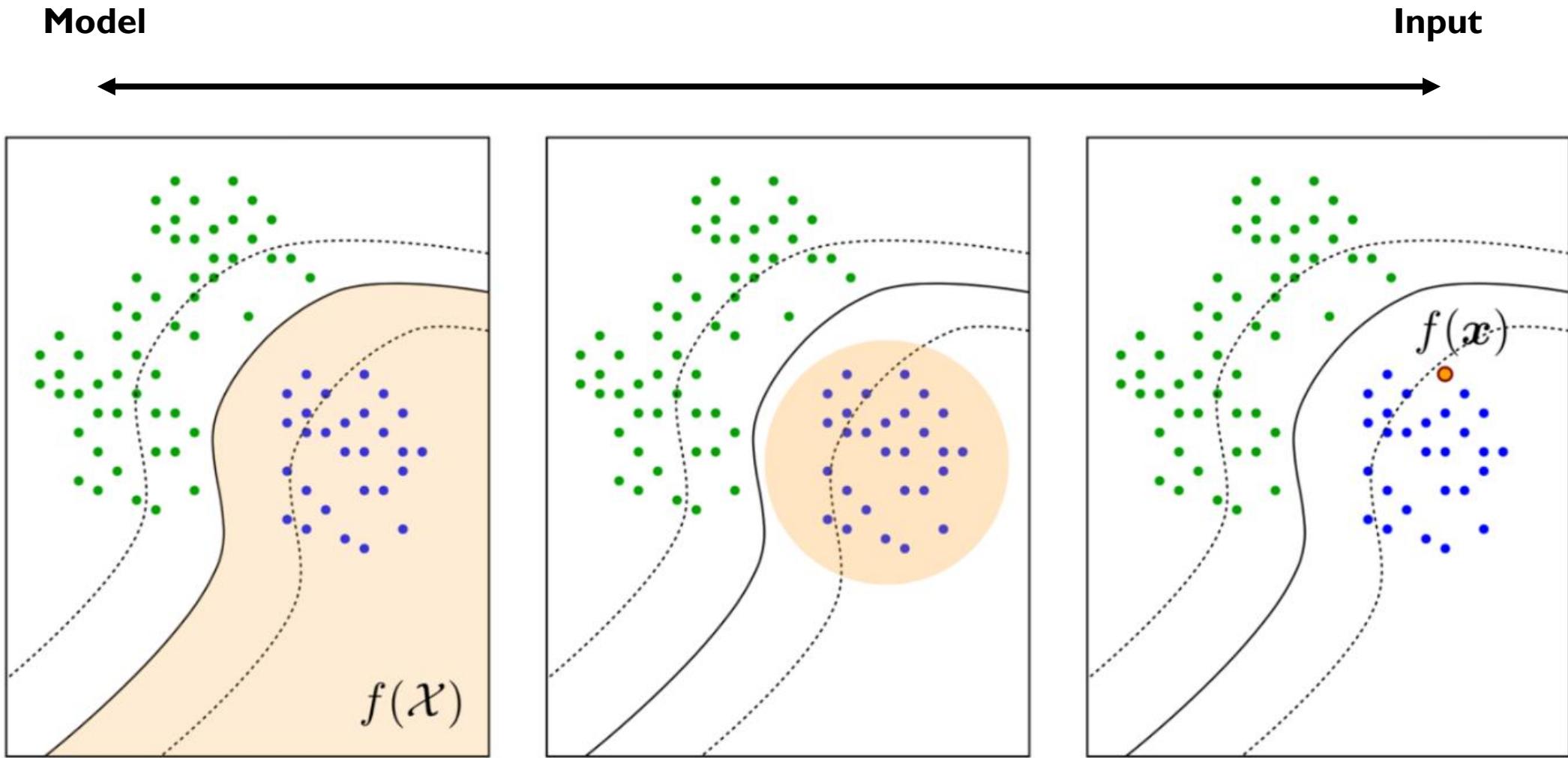
dumbbell

**Input**

Explain why input  $x$  has  
been classified as  $f(x)$ .



# Types of Post-hoc Interpretability



# Part I Summary

## 1. What is interpretability in Deep Learning?

- Converting implicit information in DNN to (human) interpretable information

## 2. Why do we need interpretability in Deep Learning?

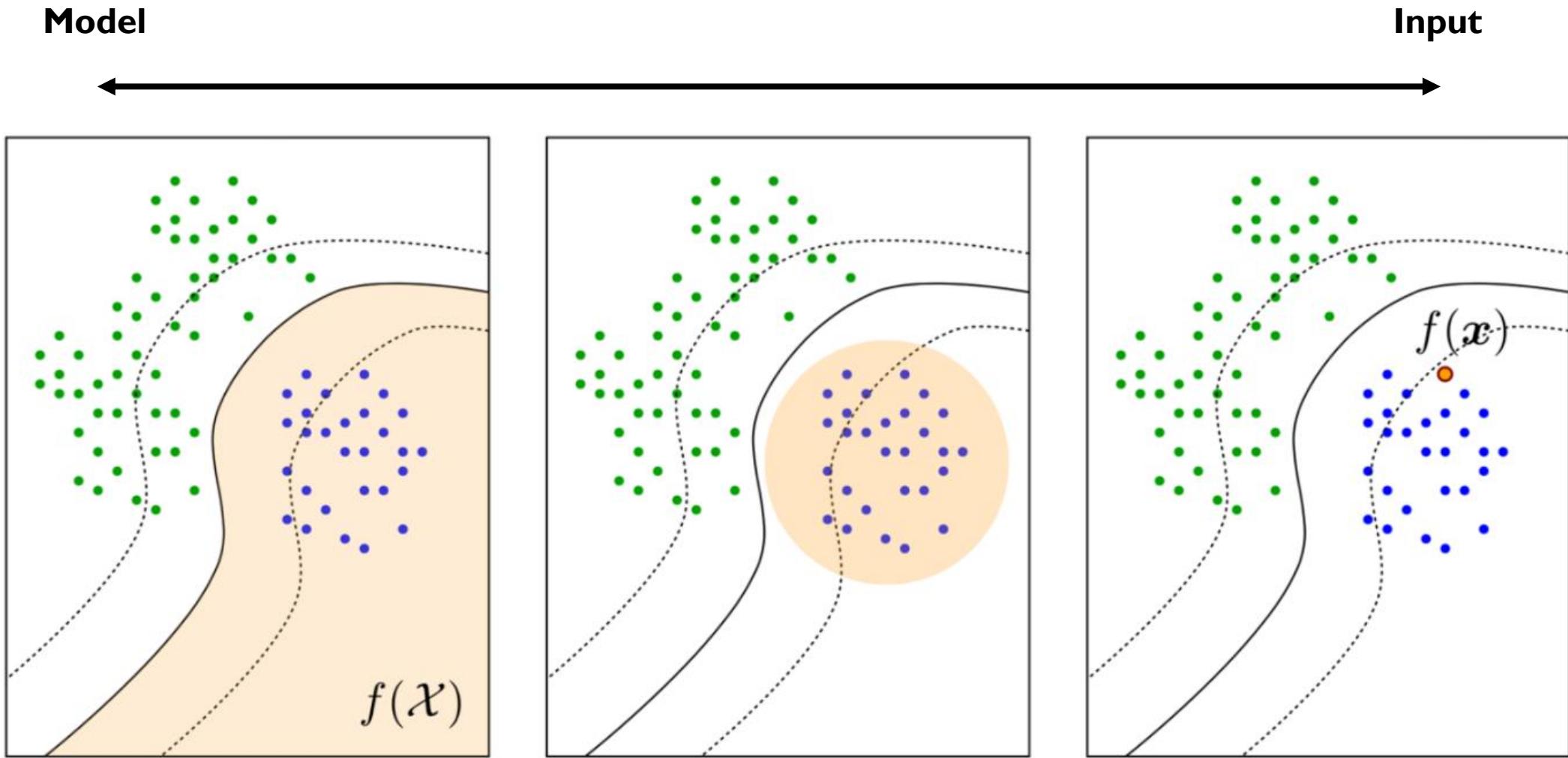
- Verify model works as intended
- Debug classifier
- Make discoveries
- Right to explanation

## 3. Types of Interpretability in ML

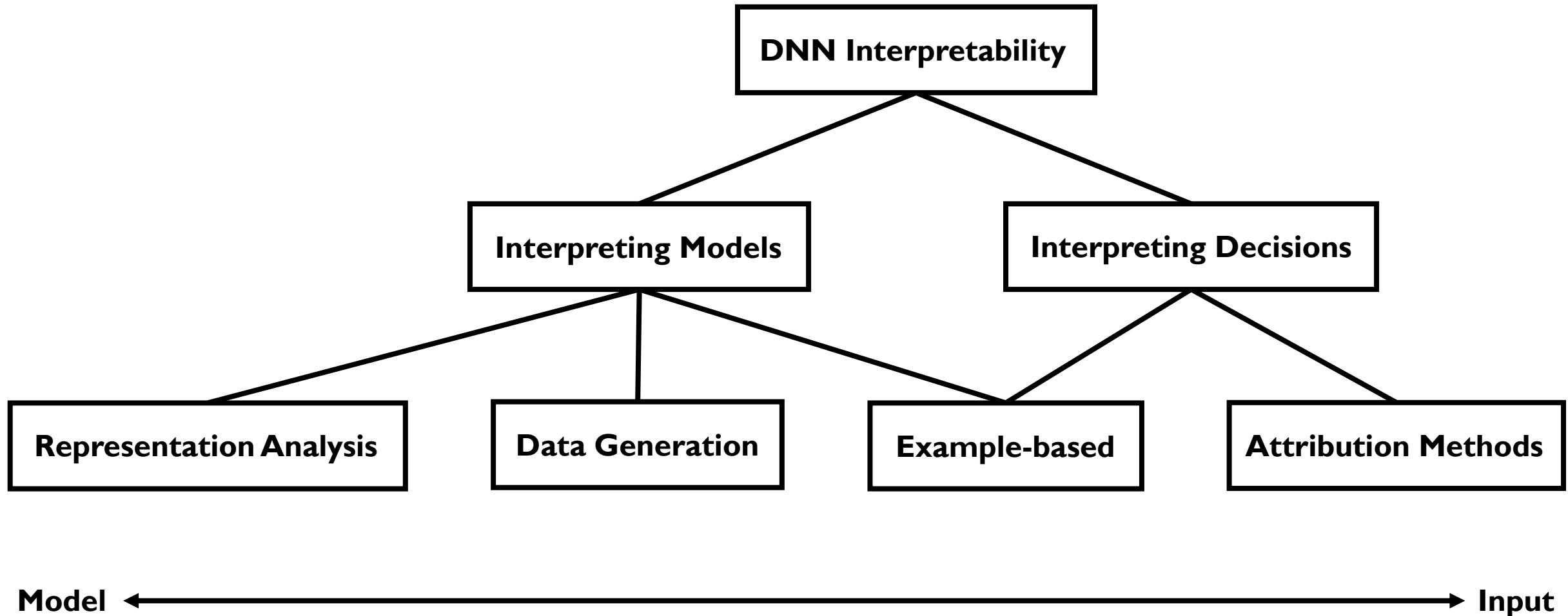
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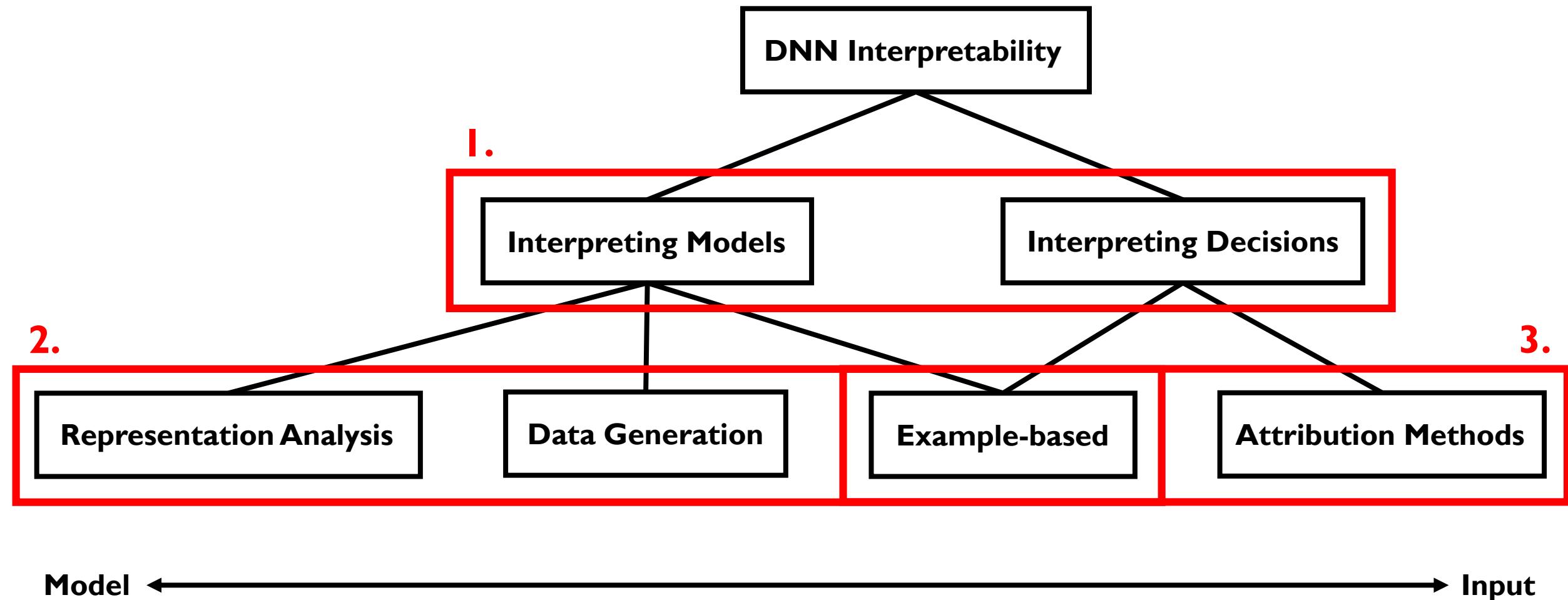
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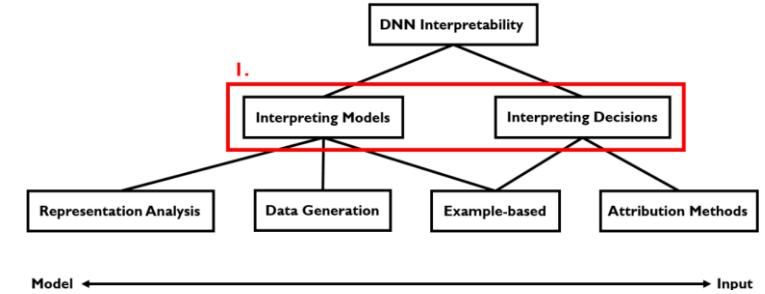
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## Interpreting Models (Macroscopic)

- “Summarize” DNN with a simpler model (e.g. decision tree)
- Find prototypical example of a category
- Find pattern maximizing activation of a neuron

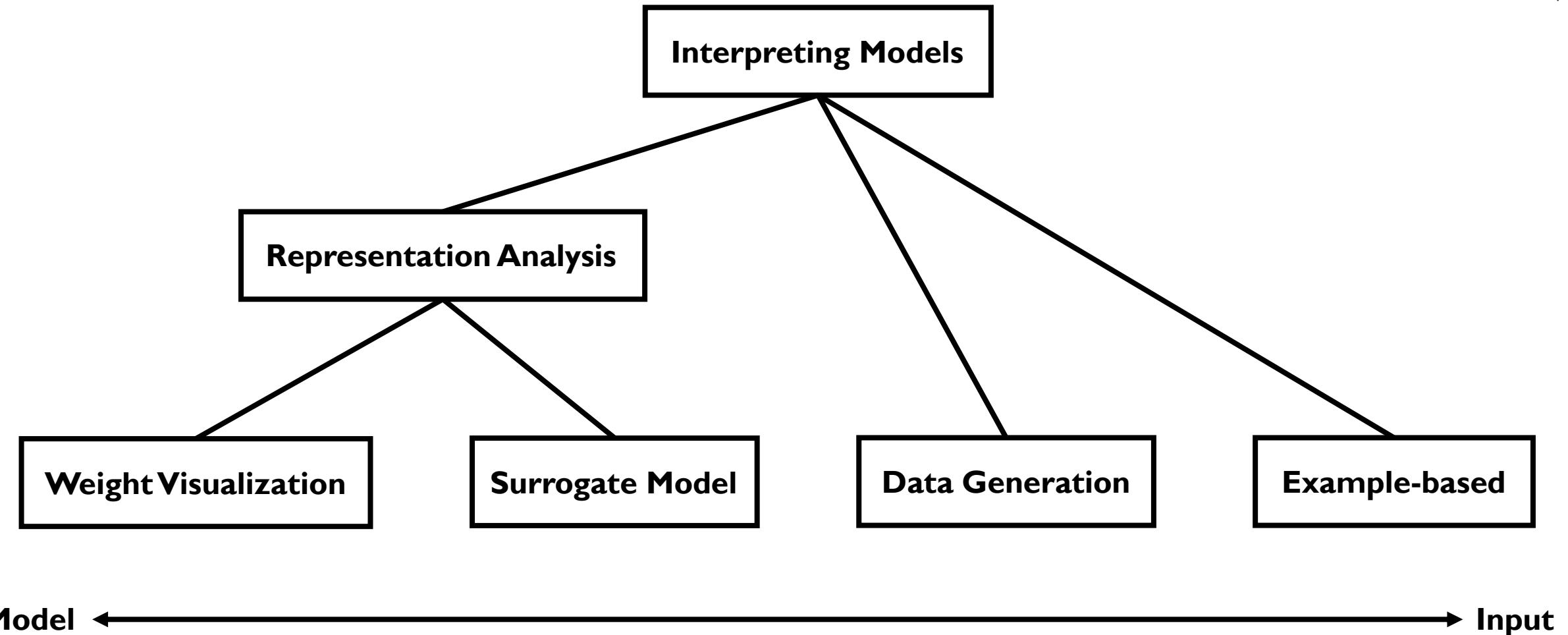
**Better understand internal representations**

## Interpreting Decisions (Microscopic)

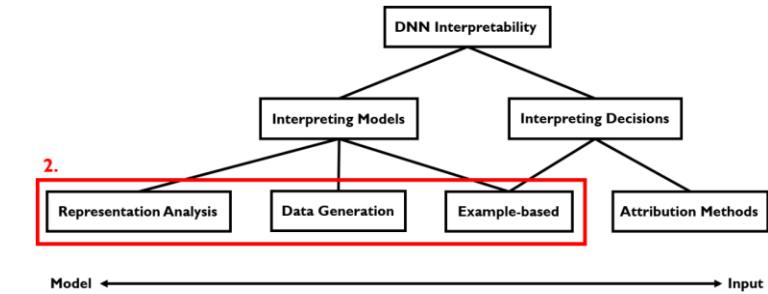
- Why did DNN make this decision
- Verify that model behaves as expected
- Find evidence for decision

**Important for practical applications**

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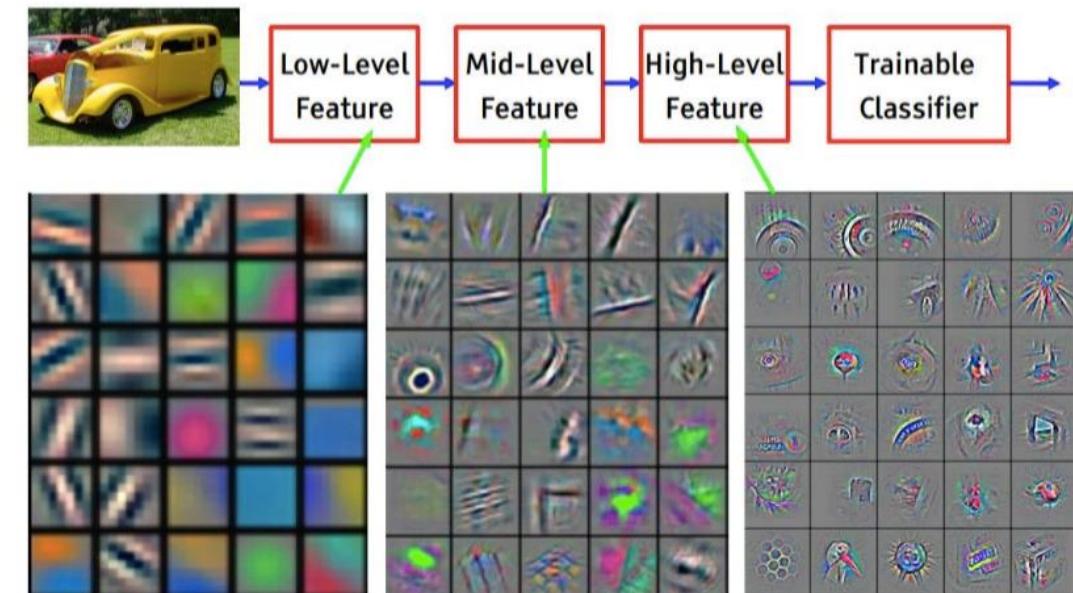
## Weight Visualization

- Filter visualization in Convolutional Neural Networks
- Can understand what kind of features CNN has learned
- Still too many filters!

## Surrogate Model

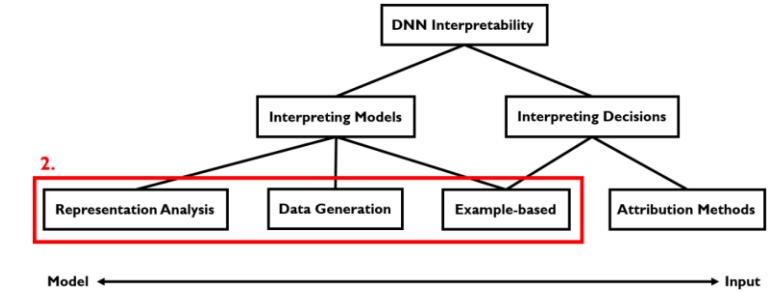
## Data Generation

## Example-based



Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]

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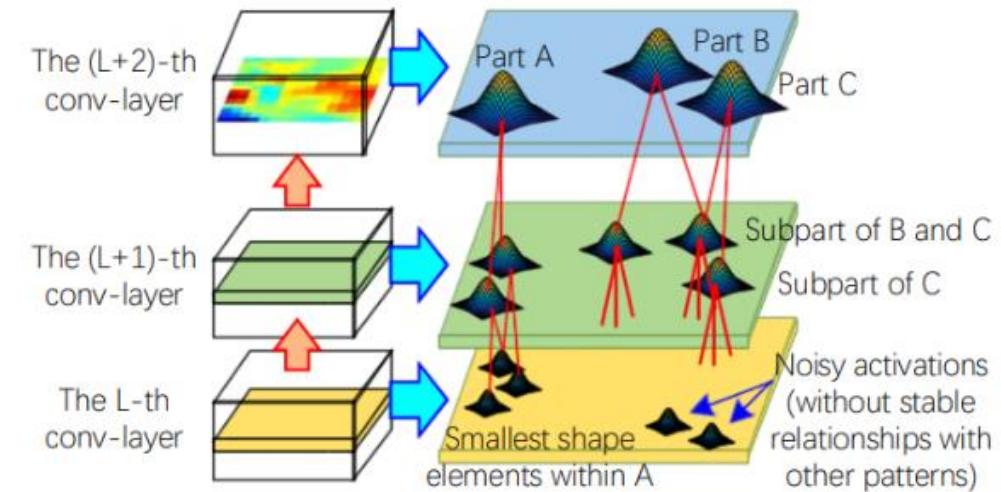
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- E.g. Decision trees, graphs or linear models

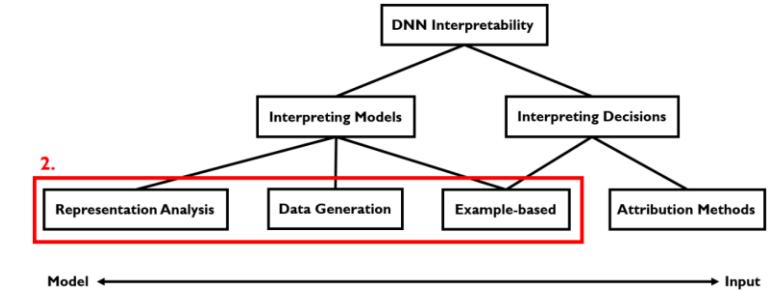
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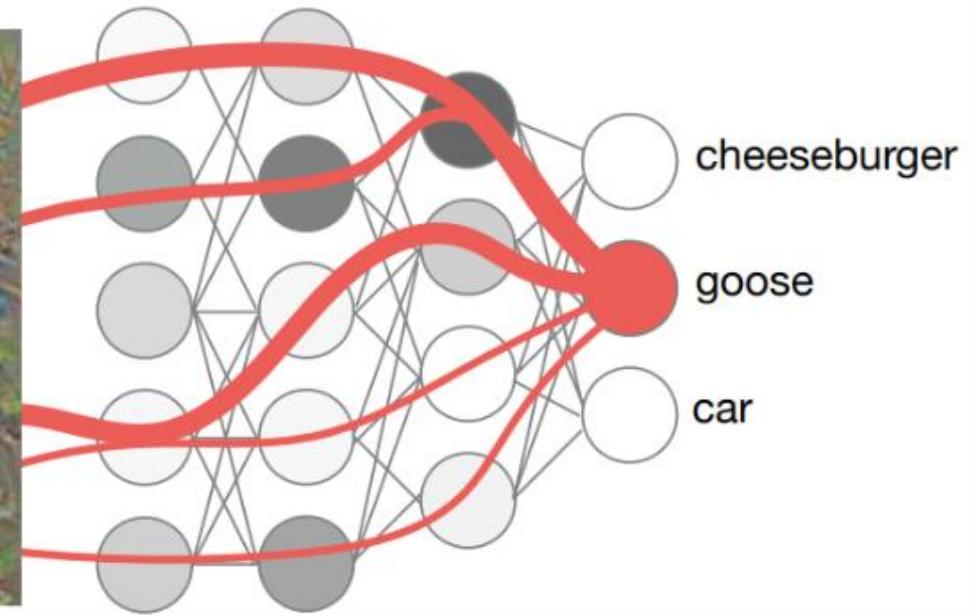
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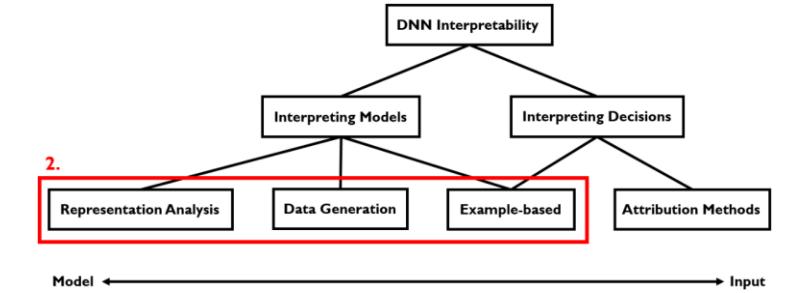
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## Activation Maximization

- Find pattern maximizing activation of a neuron



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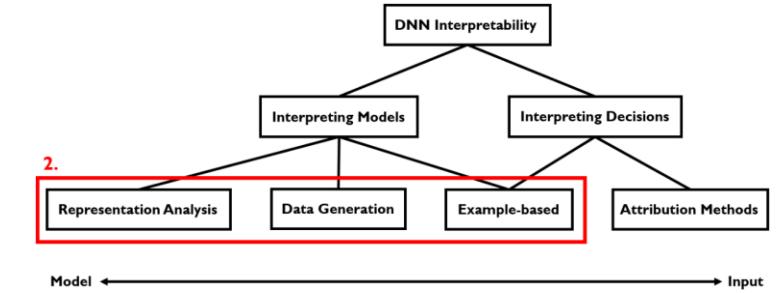
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$$\max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} p_\theta(\omega_c | x) + \lambda \Omega(x)$$

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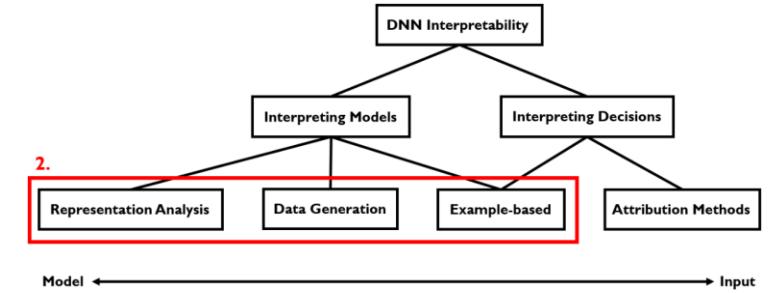
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Class Probability                          Regularization Term

Red arrows point from the highlighted terms in the equation to the corresponding labels "Class Probability" and "Regularization Term" below it.

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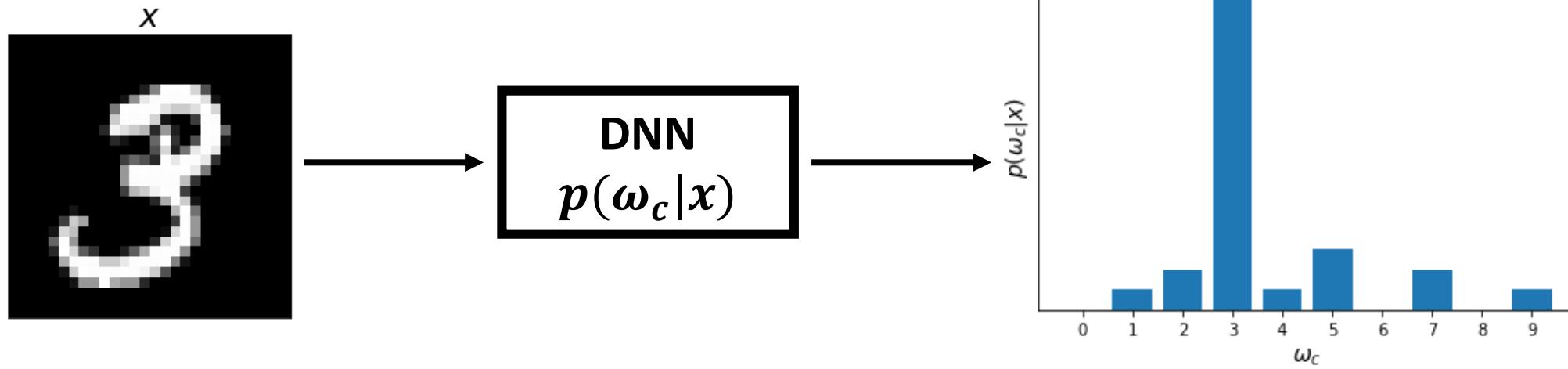


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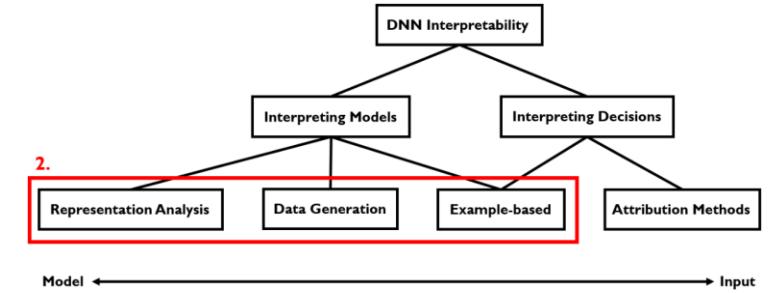
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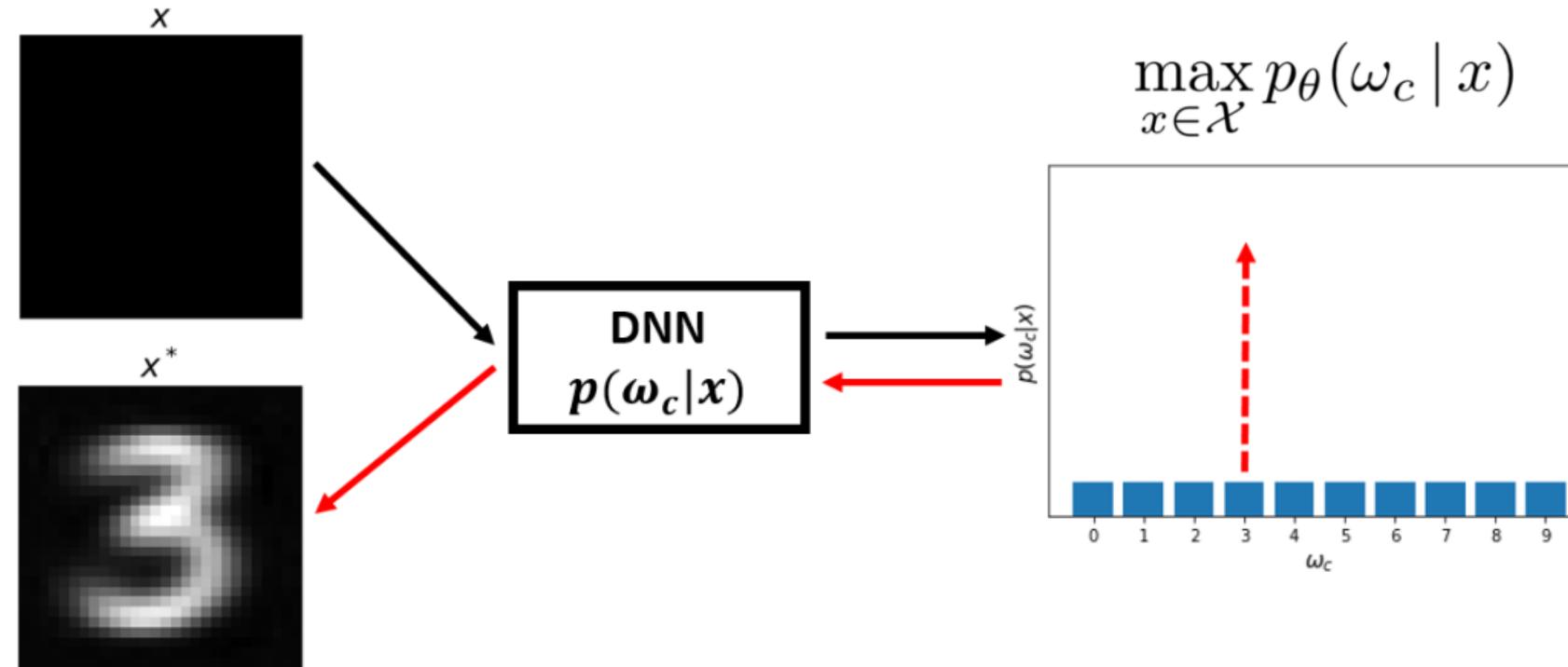


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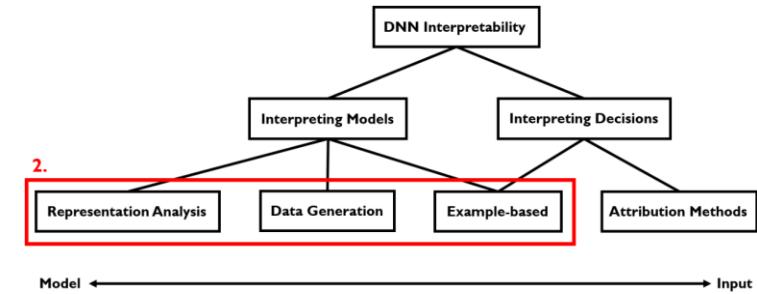
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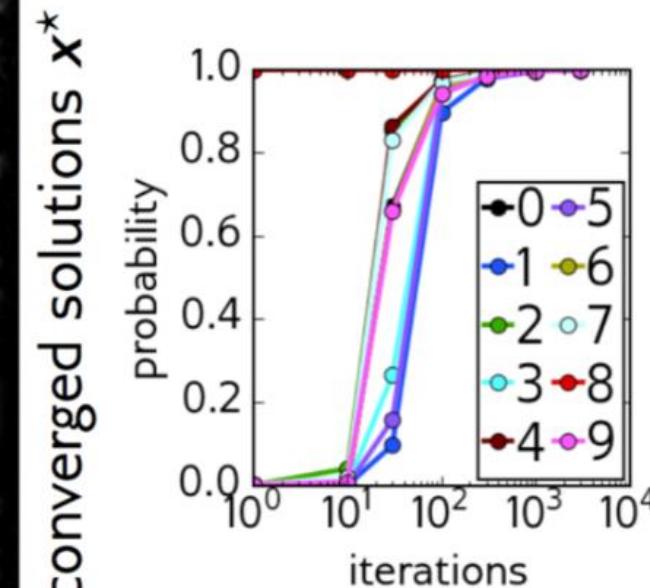
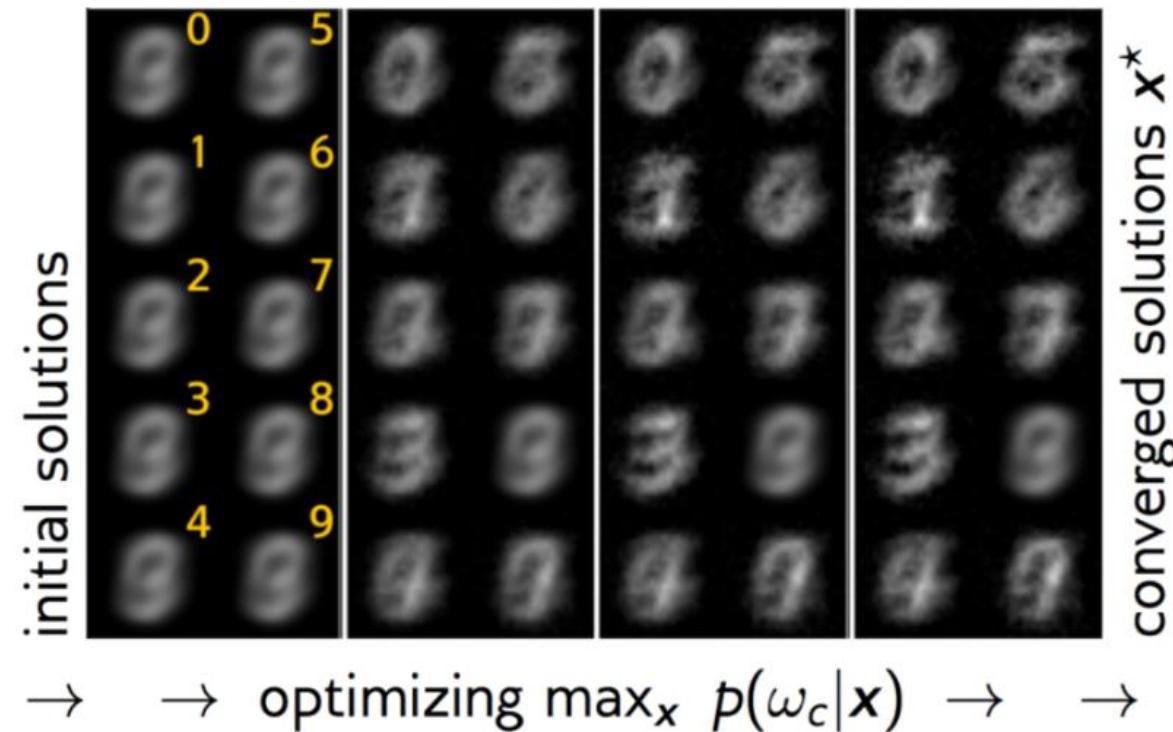


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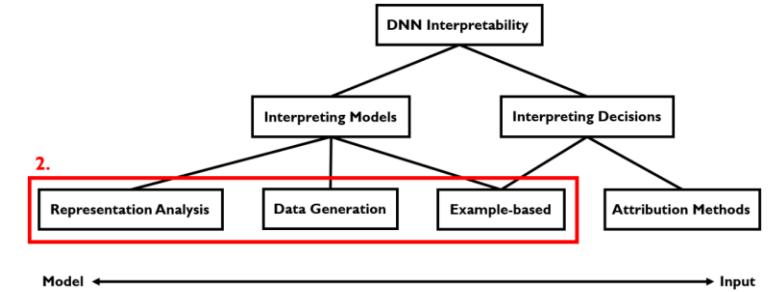
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goose

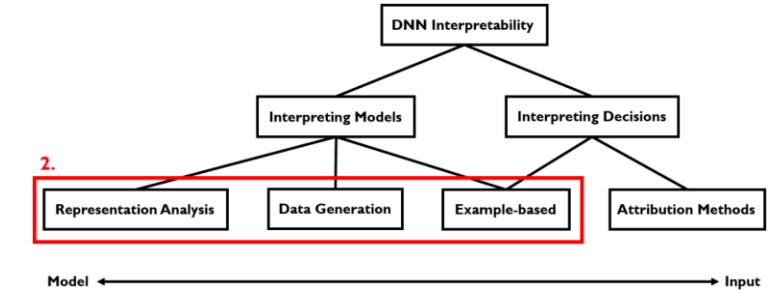


ostrich



Images from **Simonyan et al. 2013** "Deep Inside Convolutional Networks: Visualising Image Classification Models and Saliency Maps"

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## Advantages

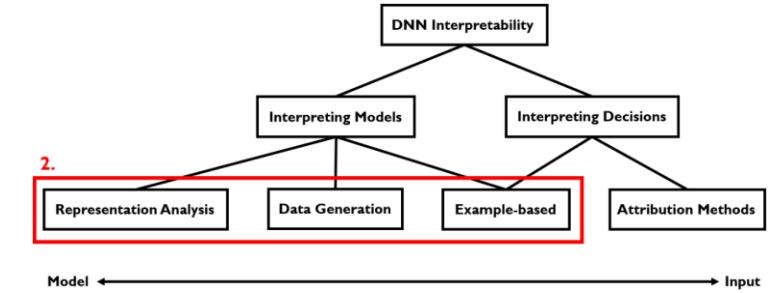
- AM builds typical patterns for given classes (e.g. beaks, legs)
- Unrelated background objects are not present in the image

## Disadvantages

- Does not resemble class-related patterns
- Lowers the quality of the interpretation for given classes

**Redefine optimization problem!**

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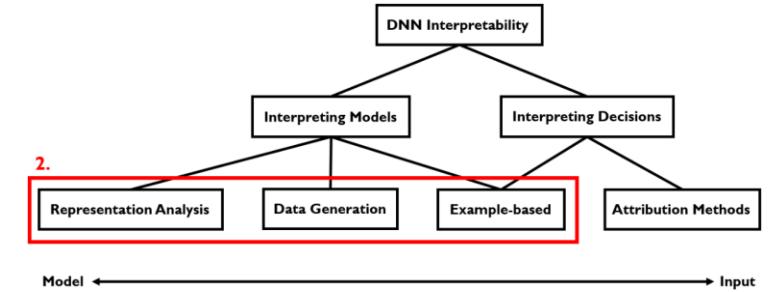
Redefine optimization problem!

Force the generated data  $x^*$  to match the data more closely

Find the input pattern that maximizes class probability

Find the most likely input pattern for a given class

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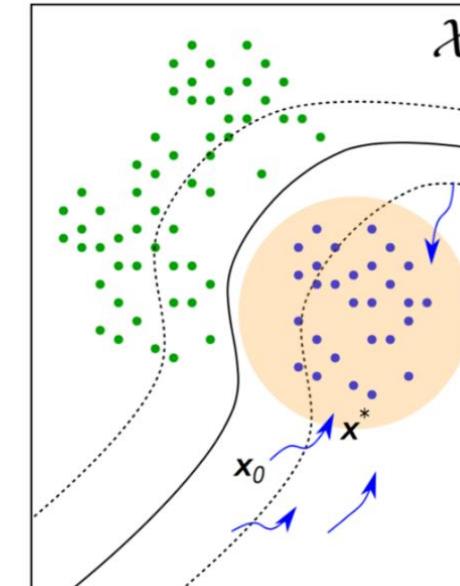
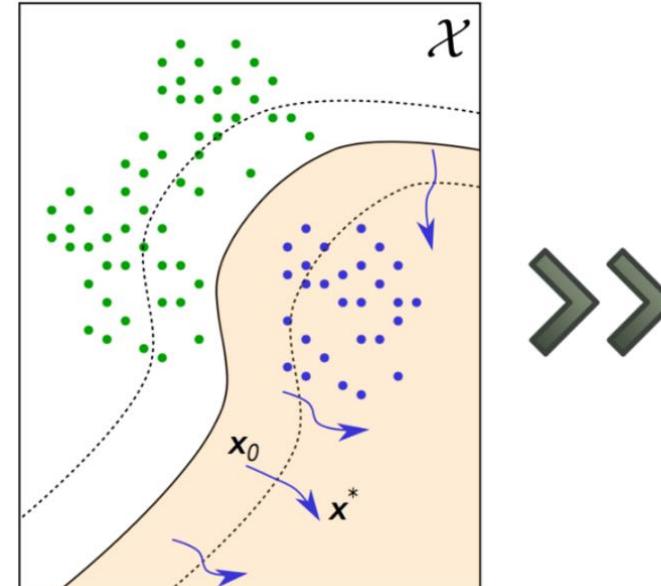
**Surrogate Model**

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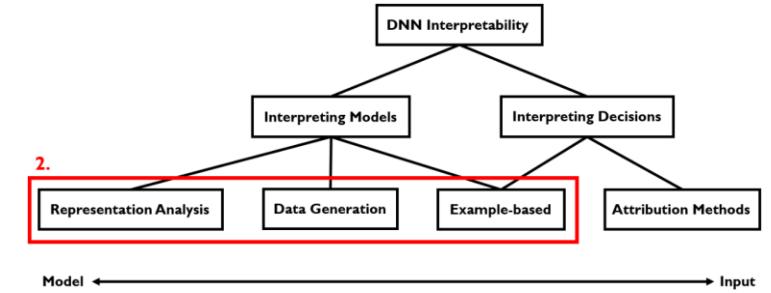
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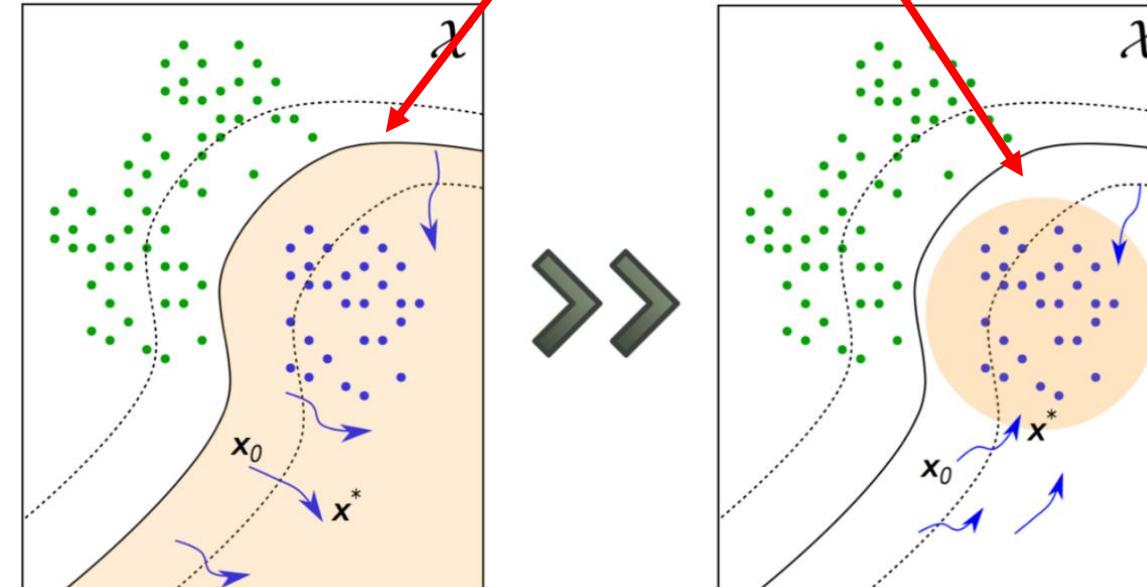
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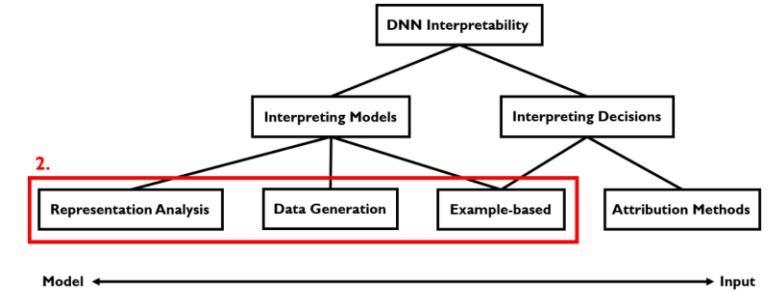
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Activation Maximization with *Expert*

$$p(x|\omega_c) \propto p(\omega_c|x) \cdot p(x)$$

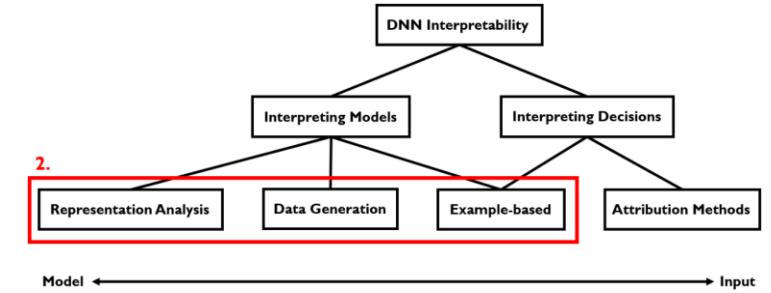
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Activation Maximization in *Code Space*

$$\max_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{Z}} p(\omega_c | \underbrace{g(\mathbf{z})}_{\mathbf{x}}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{z}\|^2 \quad \mathbf{x}^* = g(\mathbf{z}^*)$$

These two techniques require an **unsupervised model of the data**, either a density model  $p(x)$  or a generator  $g(z)$

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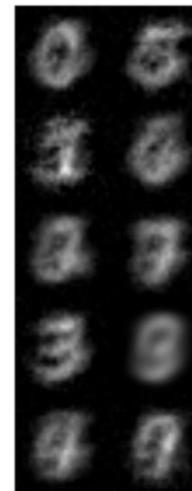
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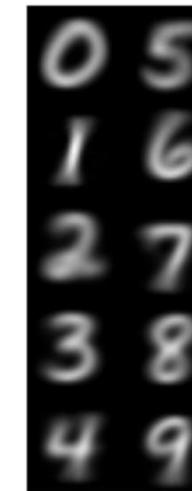
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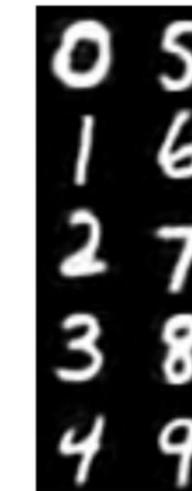
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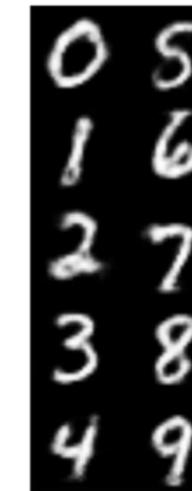
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AM-density  
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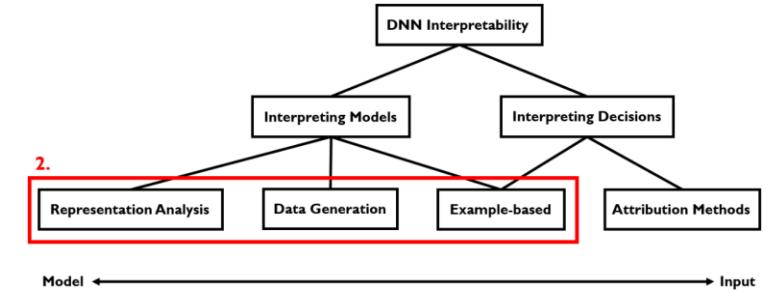


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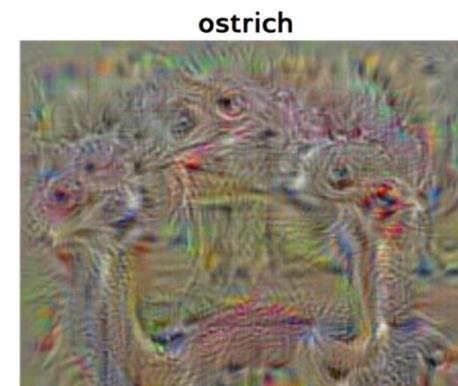
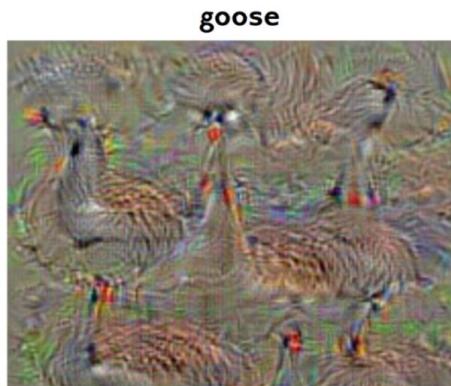
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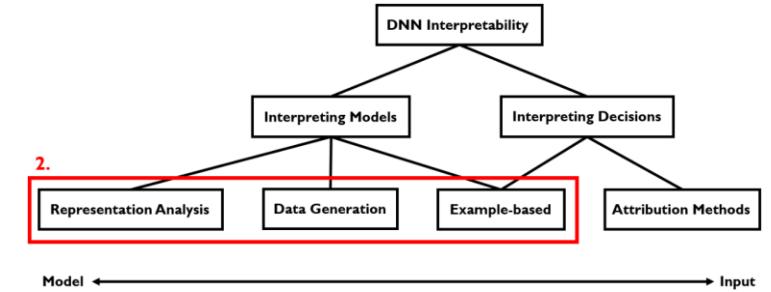
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Images from Nguyen et al. 2016. "Synthesizing the preferred inputs for neurons in neural networks via deep generator networks"



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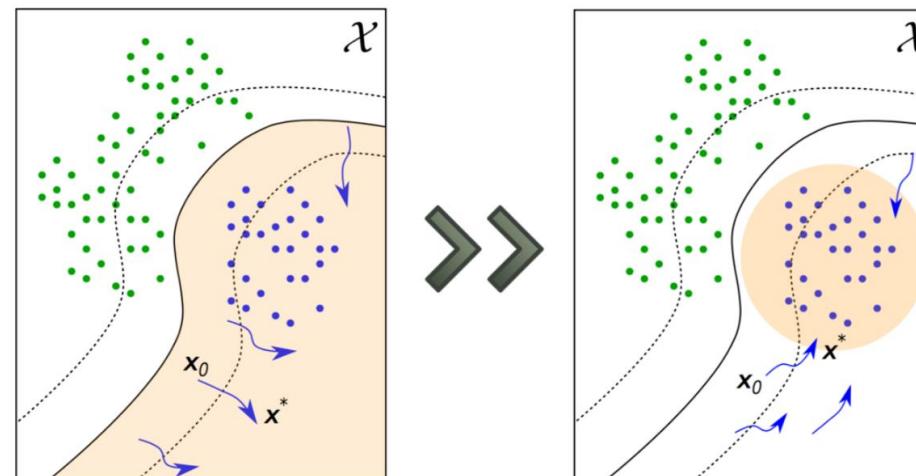
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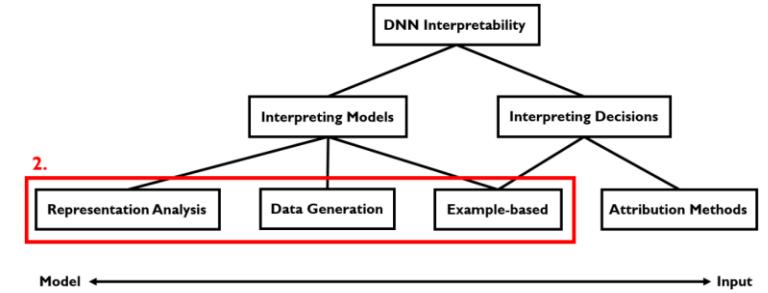
**Example-based**

## Summary

- DNNs can be interpreted by finding input patterns that maximize a certain output quantity.
- Connecting to the data improves the interpretability of the visualization.



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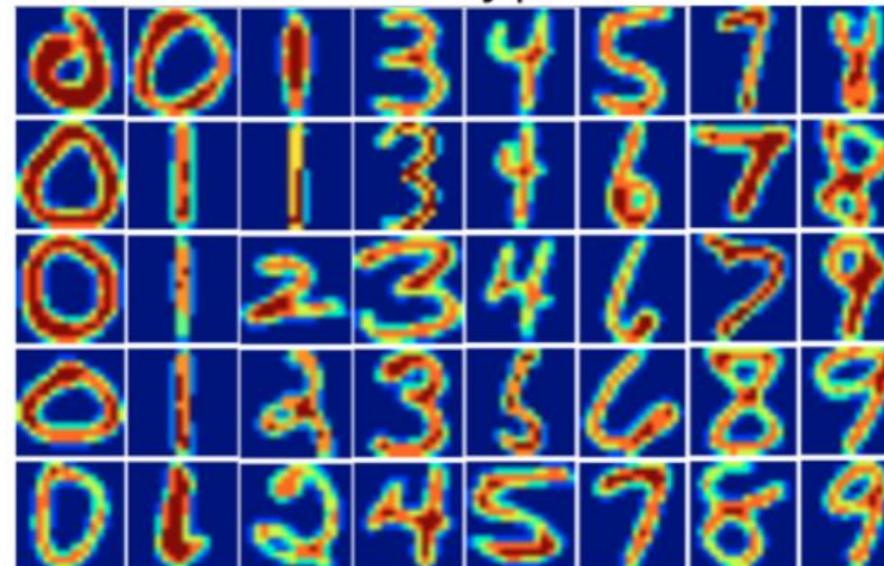
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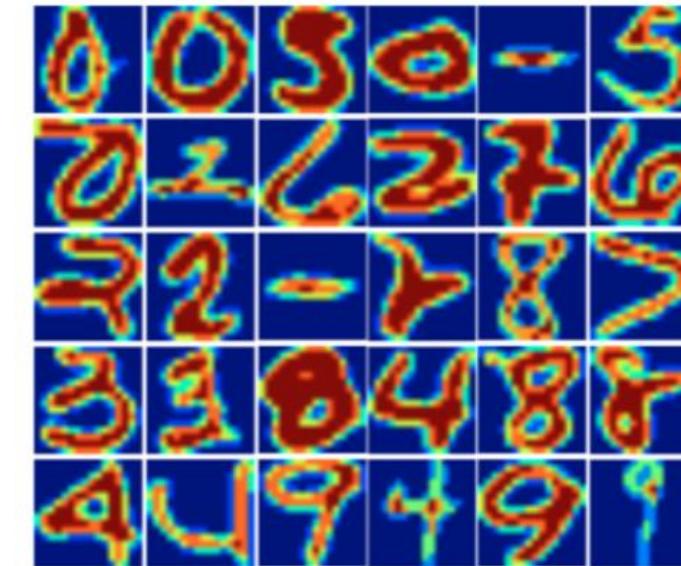
**Example-based**

- Find image instances that represent / do not represent the image class

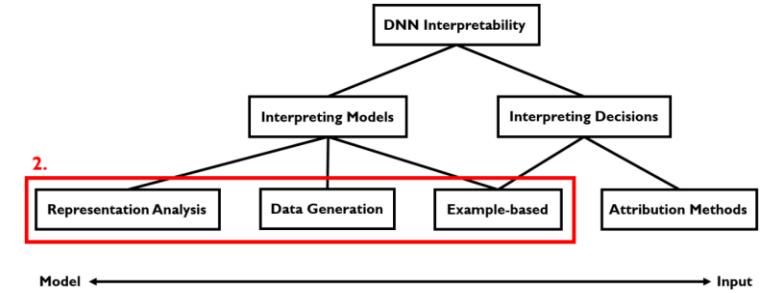
Prototypes



Criticisms



# Types of DNN Interpretability



## Weight Visualization

## Surrogate Model

## Data Generation

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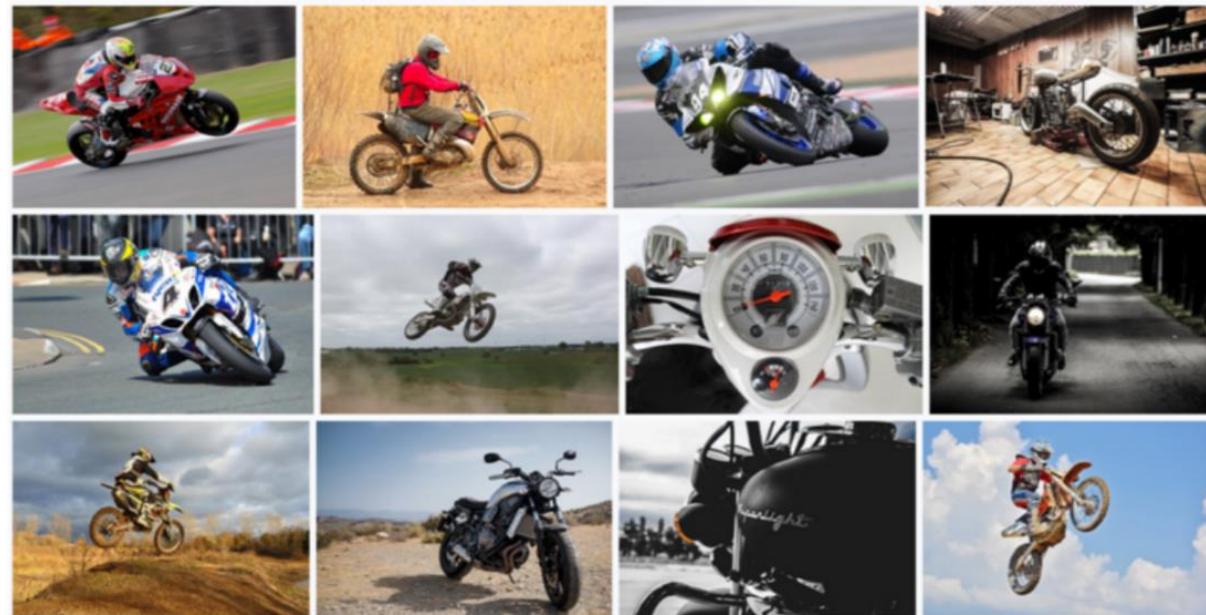


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# Limitation of Model Interpretations

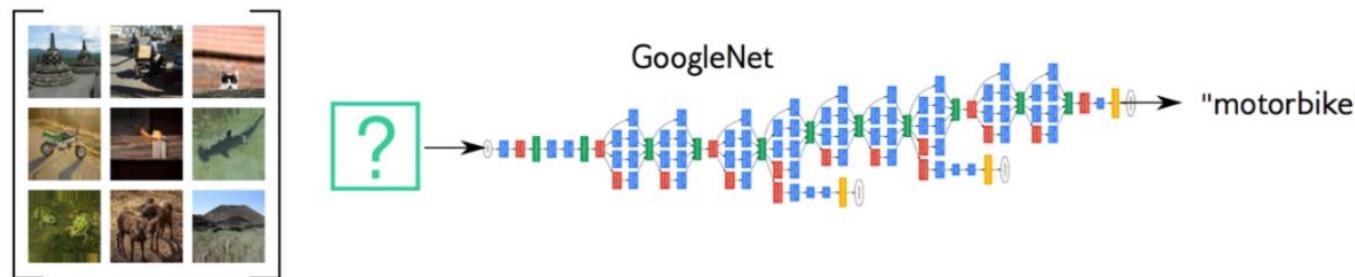
**Question:** What would be the best image to interpret the class “motorcycle”?



- Summarizing a concept or a category like “motorcycle” into a single image is difficult.
- A good interpretation would grow as large as the diversity of the concept to interpret.

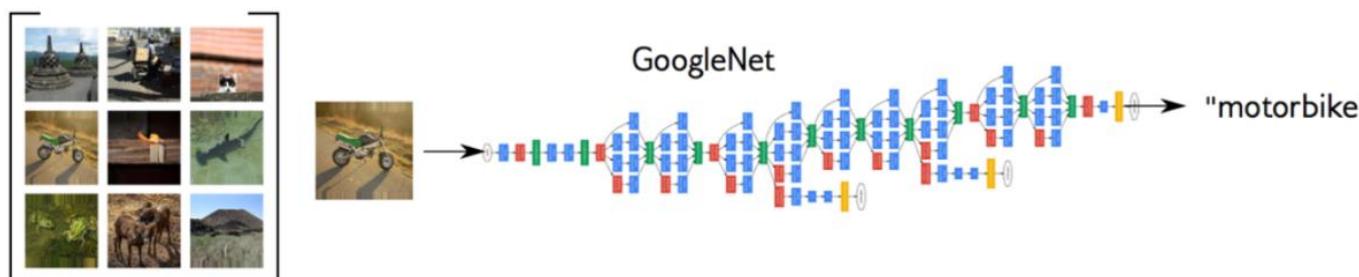
# Limitation of Model Interpretations

**Finding a prototype:**



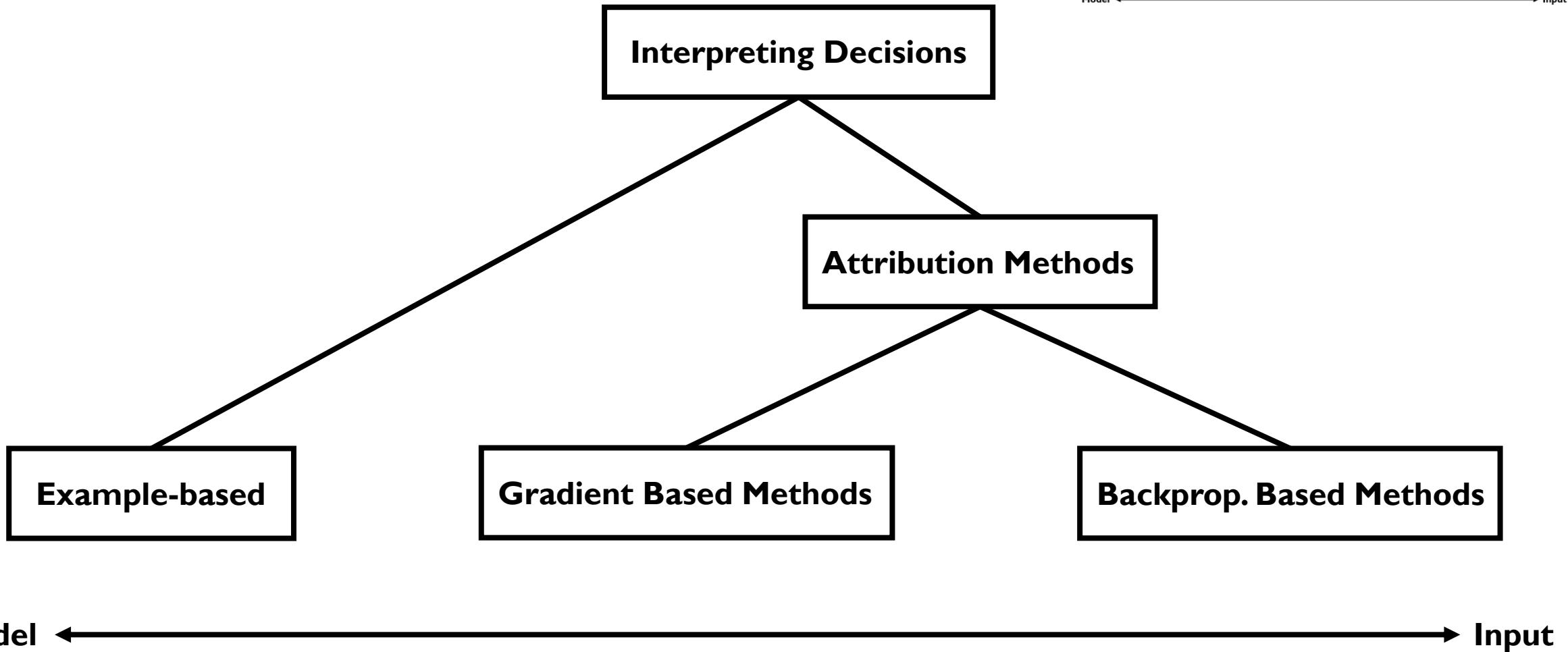
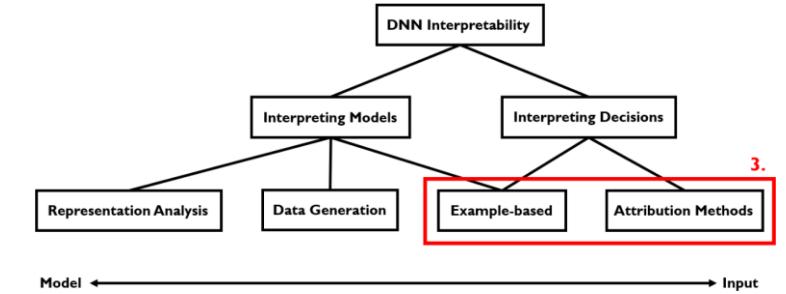
Question: How does a “motorbike” typically look like?

**Decision explanation:**

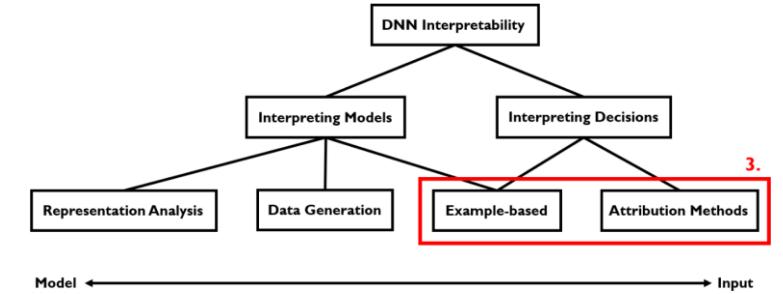


Question: Why is this example classified as a motorbike?

# Types of DNN Interpretability



# Types of DNN Interpretability



## Example-based

## Attribution Methods

## Gradient Based

## Backprop. Based

- Which training instance influenced the decision most?
- Still does not **specifically highlight** which features were important.

'Sunflower': 59.2% conf.



Original

Influence: 0.09



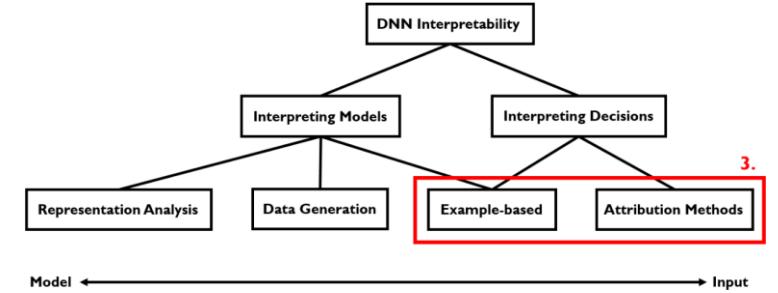
Influence: 0.14



Influence: 0.42



# Types of DNN Interpretability



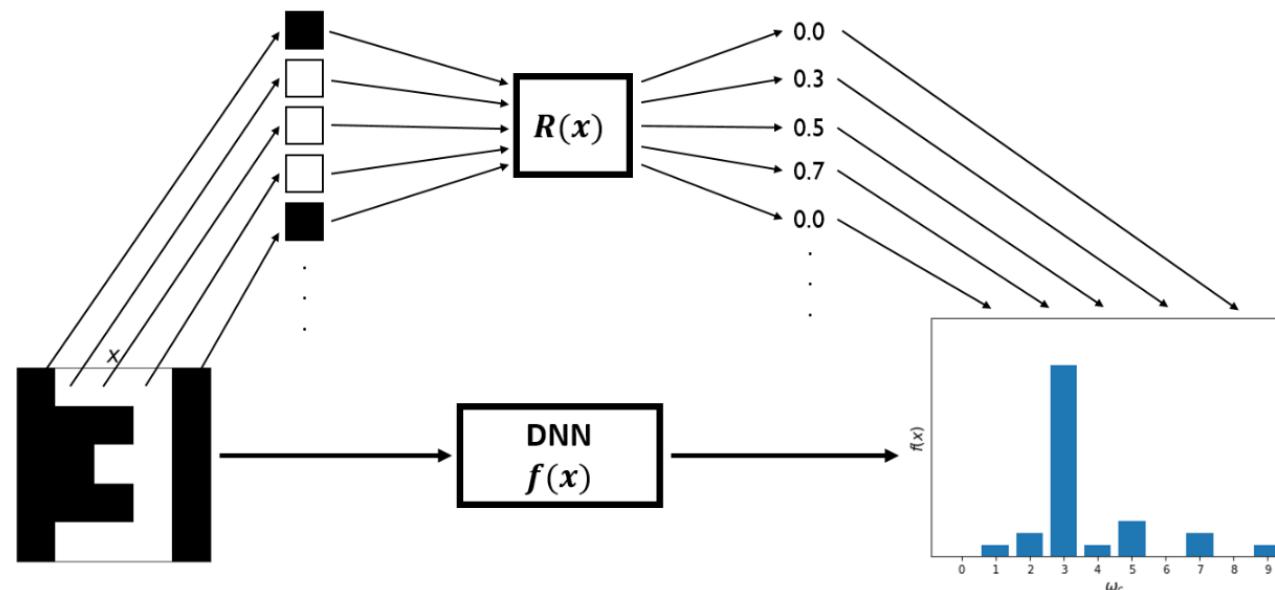
Example-based

Attribution Methods

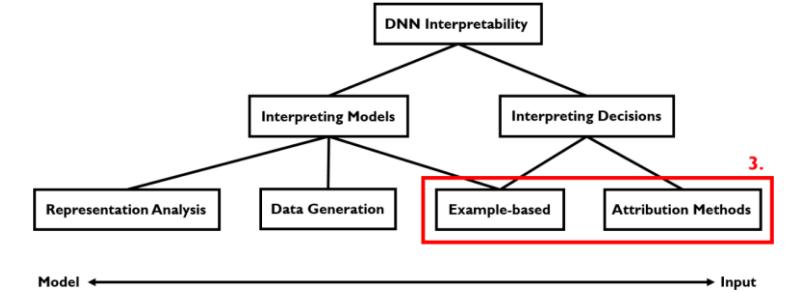
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# Types of DNN Interpretability



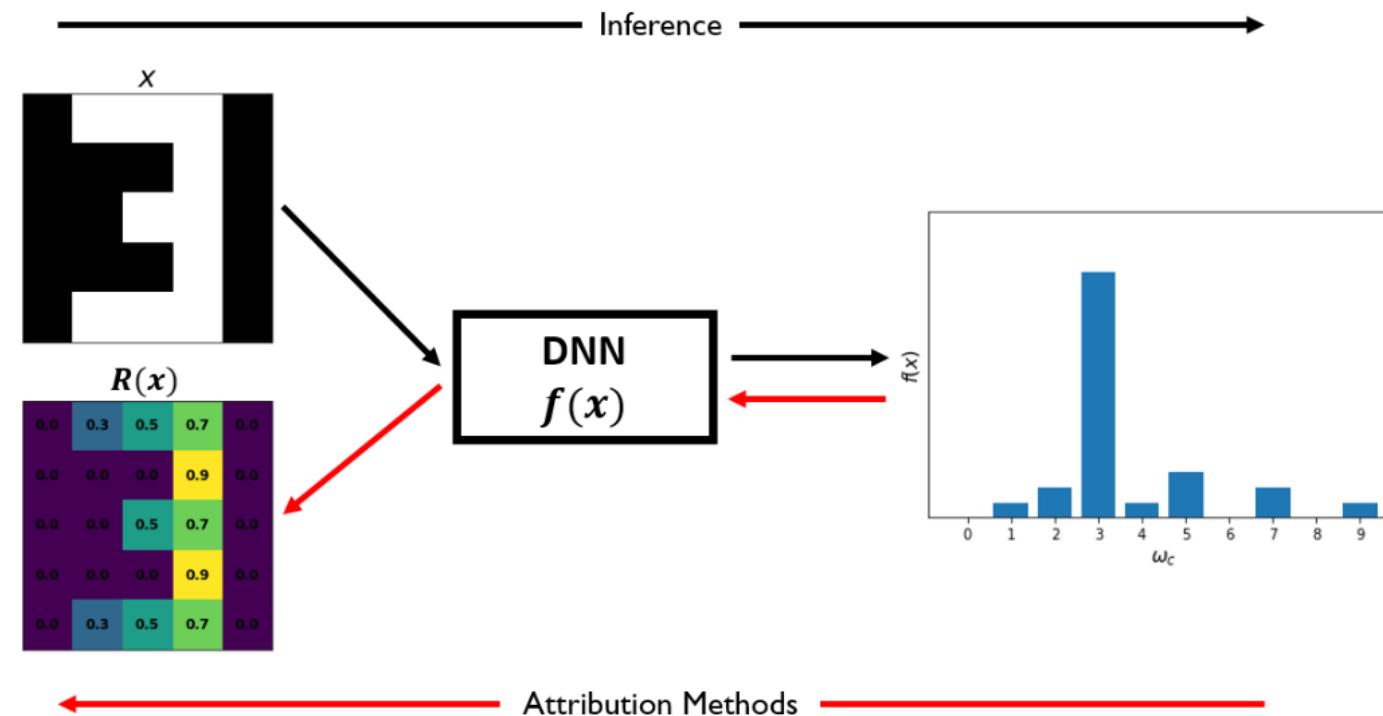
**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

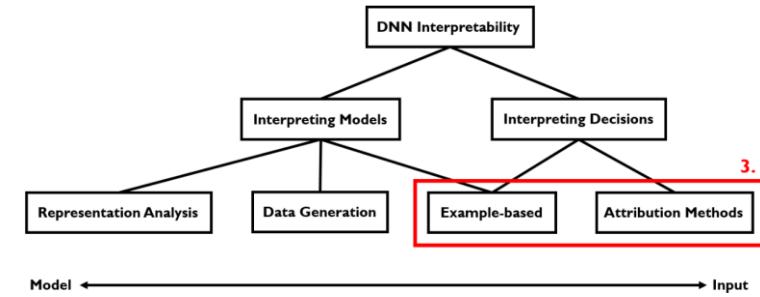
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Usually visualized as **heatmaps**



# Types of DNN Interpretability



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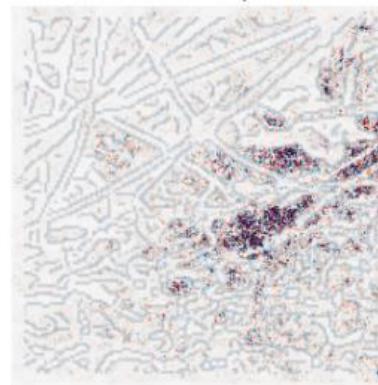
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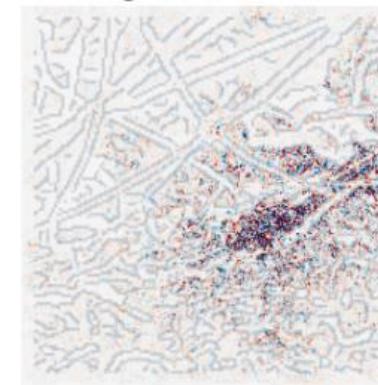
Original (label: "garter snake")



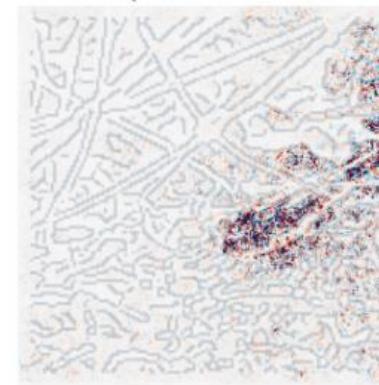
Grad \* Input



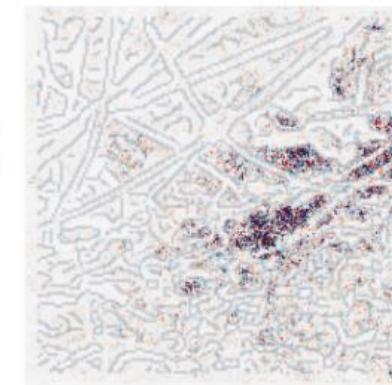
Integrated Gradients



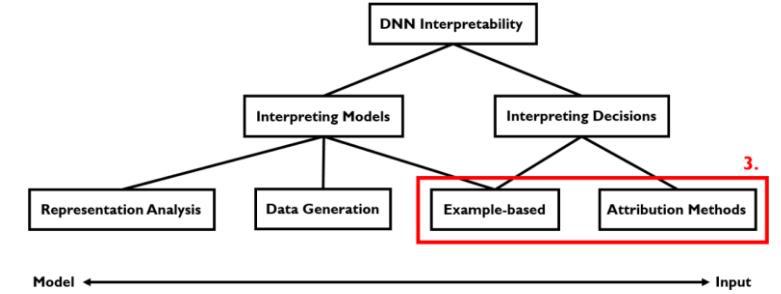
DeepLIFT (Rescale)



$\epsilon$ -LRP



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

Gradient Based

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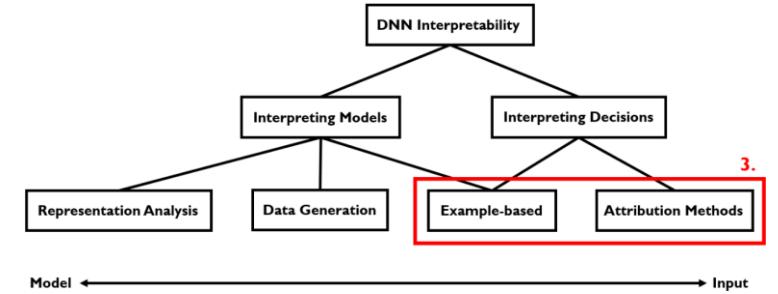
## The Baseline Attribution Method **Saliency Map**

- Gradient of the decision  $f(x)$  with respect to the input image  $x$ :

$$\text{Saliency}(x) := \nabla_x f(x) = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$$

- Can be calculated through **backpropagation**.

# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

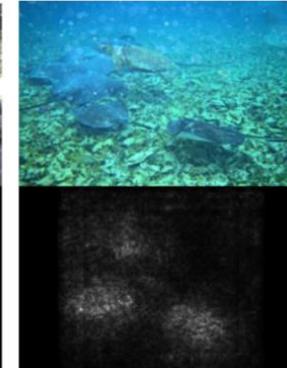
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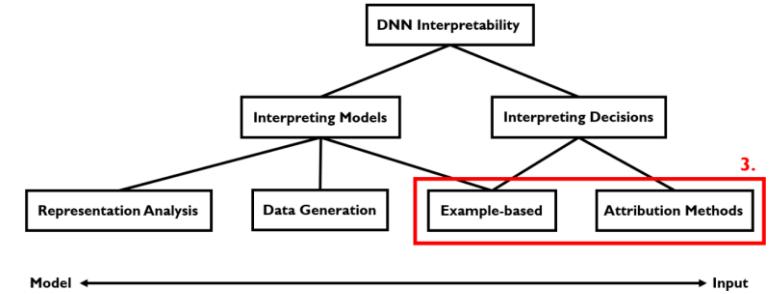
Backprop. Based

## The Baseline Attribution Method **Saliency Map**

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# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

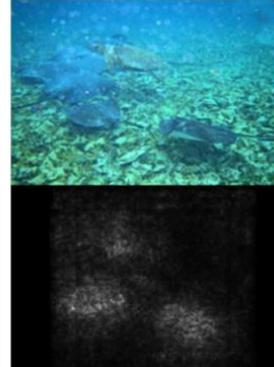
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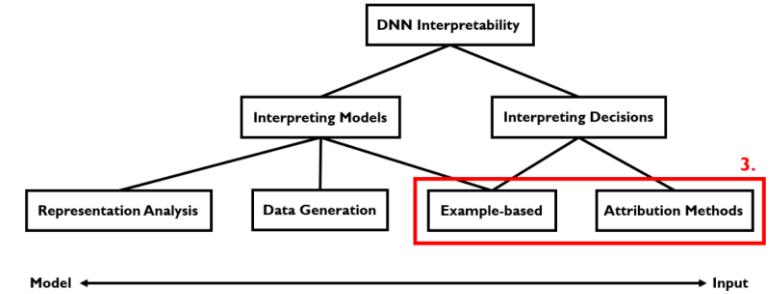
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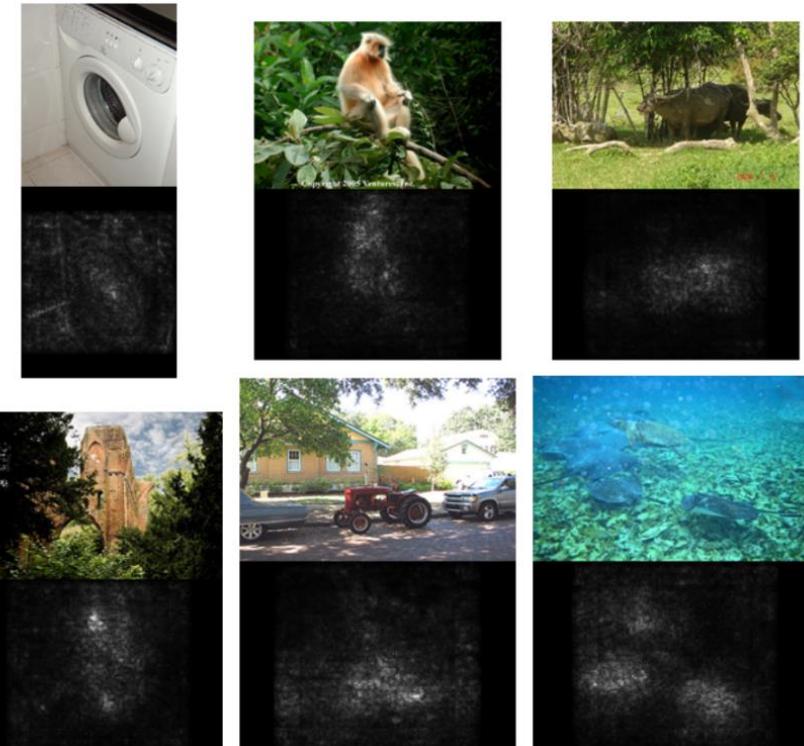
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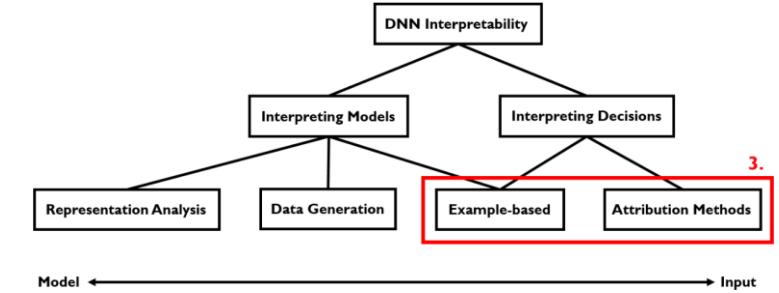
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**Question: Why are saliency maps noisy?**



# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

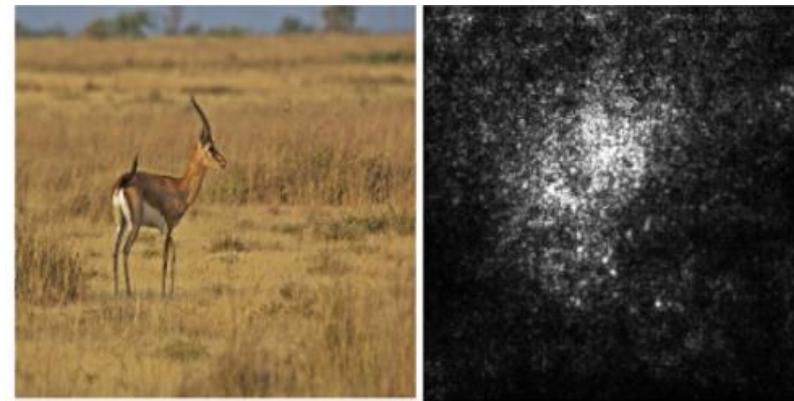
**Gradient Based**

**Backprop. Based**

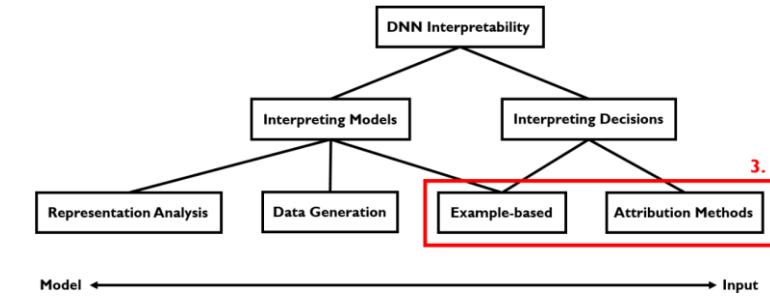
**Question:** Why are saliency maps noisy?

*Hypothesis 1 – Saliency maps are truthful*

- Certain pixels scattered randomly across the image are central to how the network is making a decision.
- Noise is important!



# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

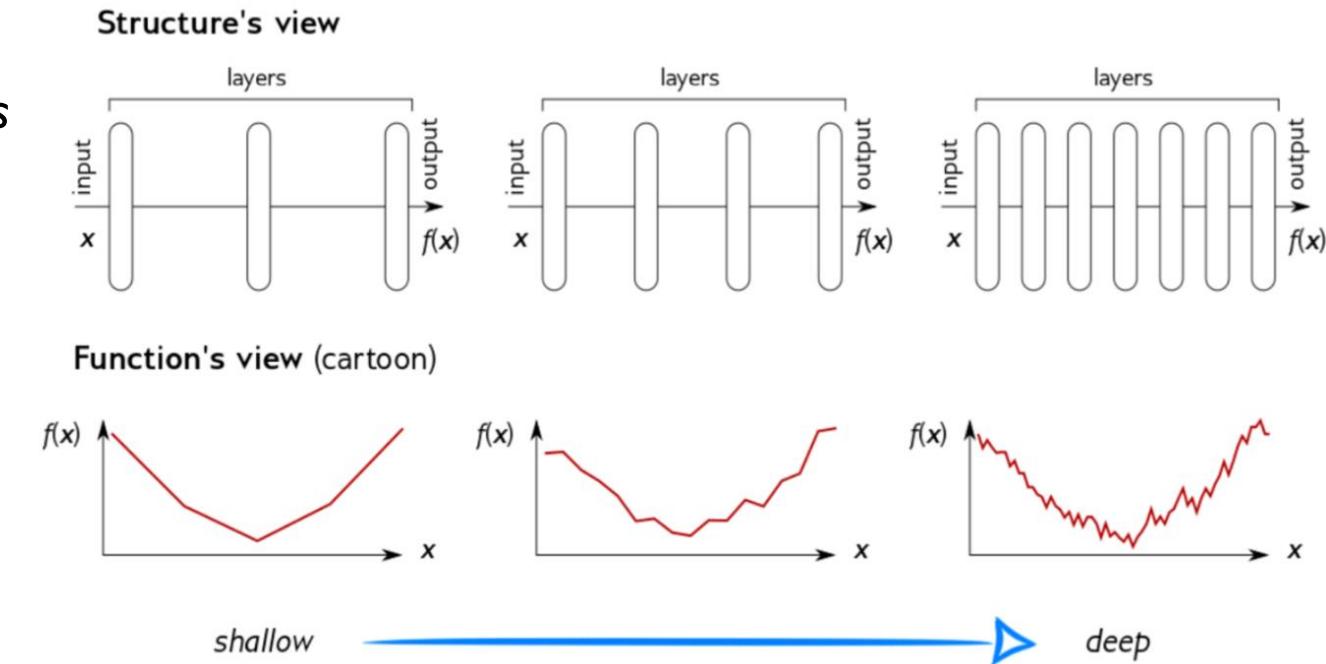
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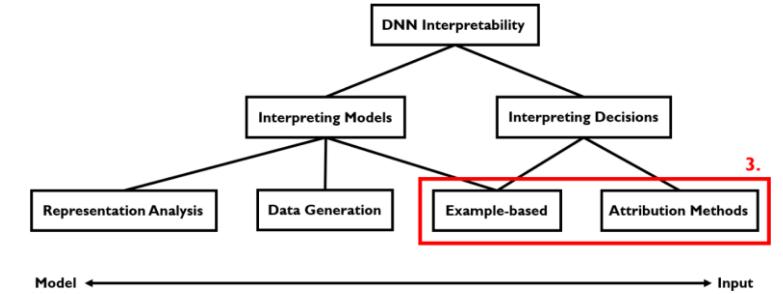
**Question:** Why are saliency maps noisy?

*Hypothesis 2 – Gradients are discontinuous*

- DNN uses piecewise-linear functions (ReLU activation, max-pooling, etc.).
- Sudden jumps in the importance score over infinitesimal changes in the input.



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

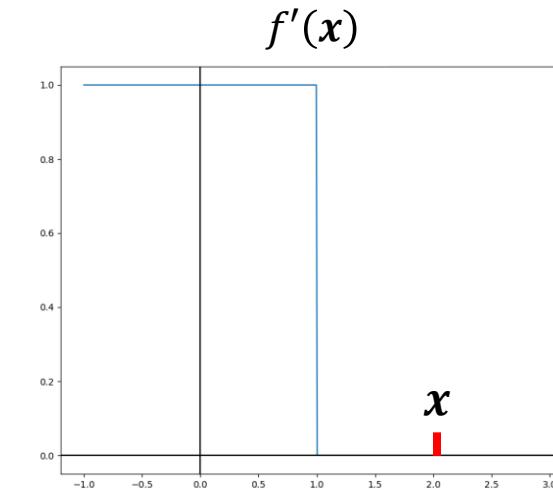
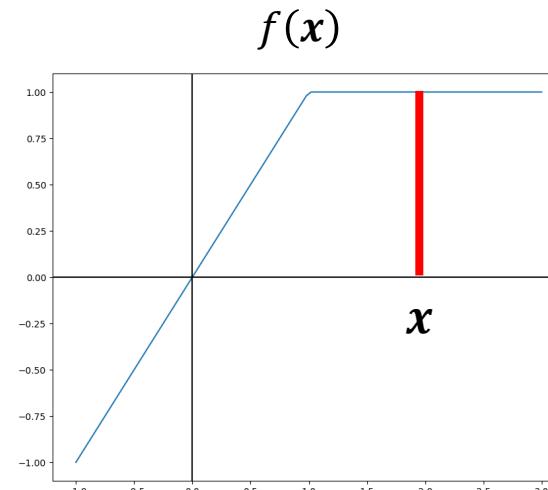
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Backprop. Based

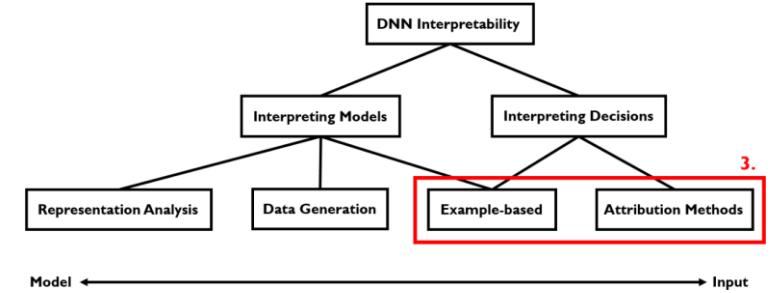
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*Hypothesis 3 –  $f(x)$  saturates*

- A feature may have a strong effect globally, but with a small derivative locally.



# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

**Gradient Based**

**Backprop. Based**

**Question:** How to improve saliency maps?

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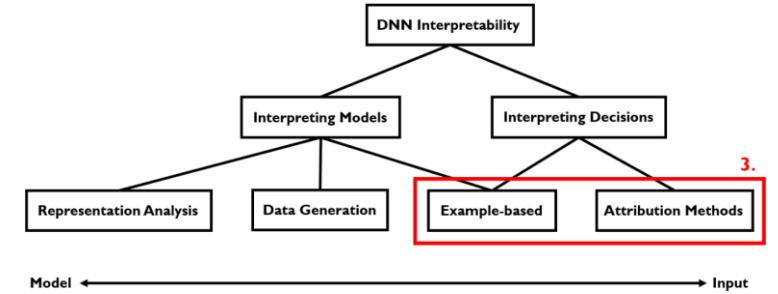
*Gradient-based Methods*

- Perturb the input  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and use  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}^*} f(\mathbf{x}^*)$ .
- Some methods take the average over the perturbation set  $\{\mathbf{x}_1^*, \mathbf{x}_2^*, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^*\}$ .

*Backprop-based Methods*

- Modify the backpropagation algorithm.

# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

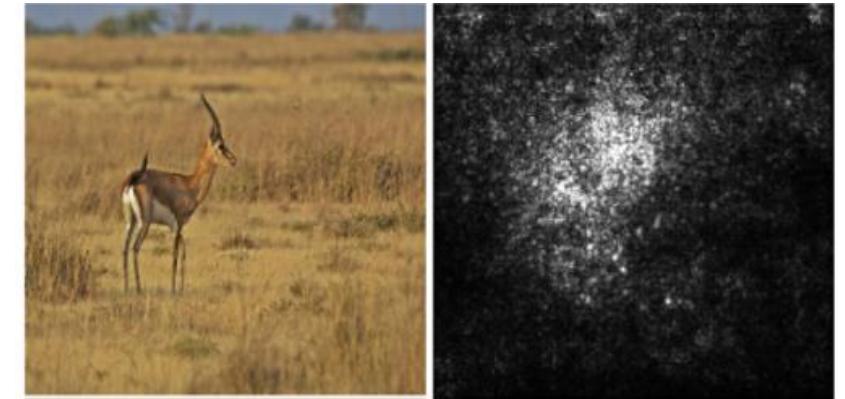
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**Gradient Based**

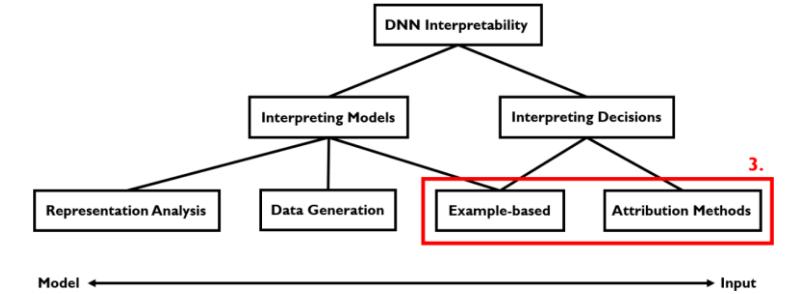
**Backprop. Based**

## Summary

- Attribution method assigns “attribution score” to each input pixel.
- Baseline attribution method Saliency Map is noisy.
- Hypothesis 1: Saliency maps are truthful.
- Hypothesis 2: Gradients are discontinuous.
- Hypothesis 3:  $f(x)$  saturates.
- Two solution approaches: Gradient based method and Backprop. based method.



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

Gradient Based

Backprop. Based

I. SmoothGrad Hypothesis 2 – Gradients are discontinuous

$$\text{SmoothGrad}(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_1^n \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}^*)}{\partial \mathbf{x}^*}, \quad \mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{x} + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

Gaussian smoothing

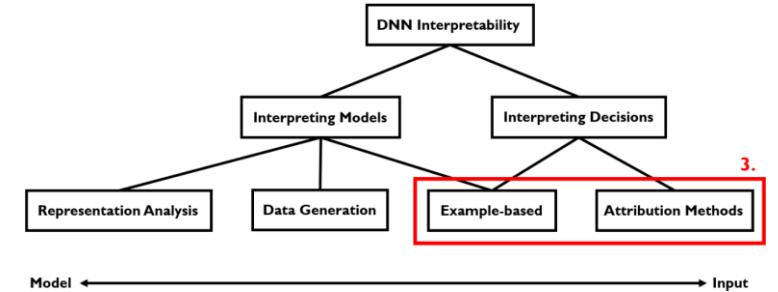
Function's view (cartoon)



shallow

deep

# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

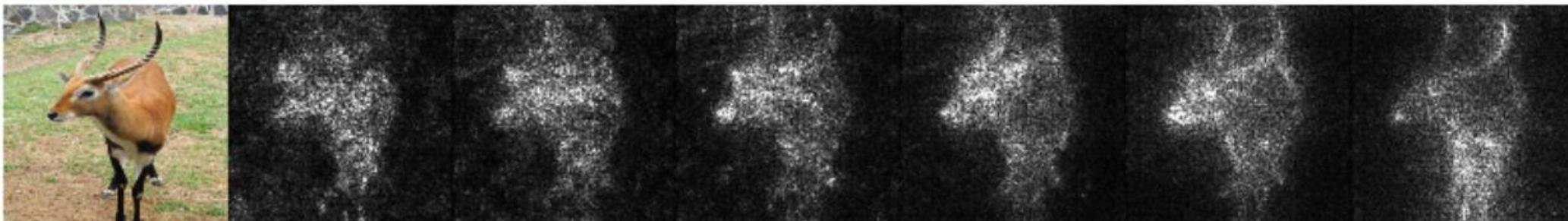
Gradient Based

Backprop. Based

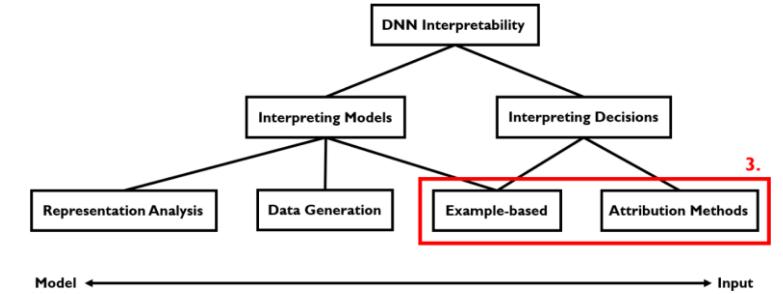
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Noise level:



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

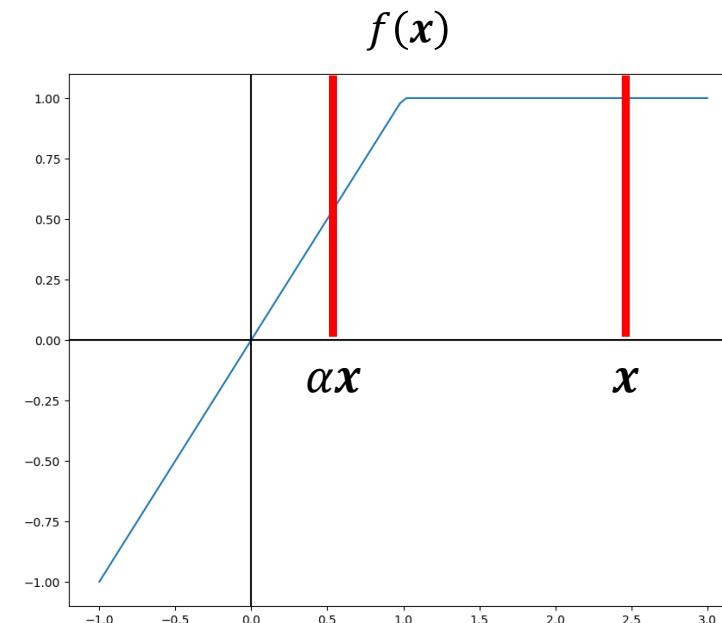
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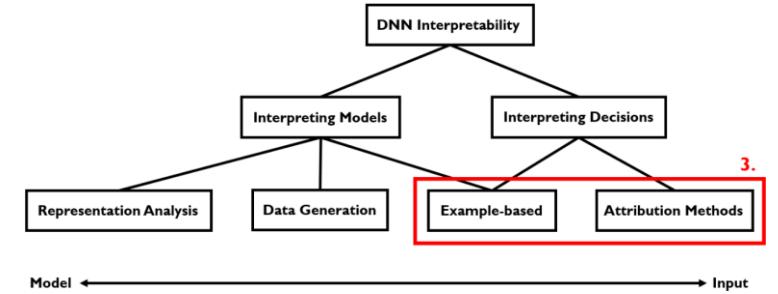
2. Interior Gradient Hypothesis 3 –  $f(x)$  saturates

$$IntGrad(x) := \frac{\partial f(x^*)}{\partial x^*}, \quad x^* = \alpha x, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1$$

- Appropriate  $\alpha$  will trigger informative activation functions



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

Gradient Based

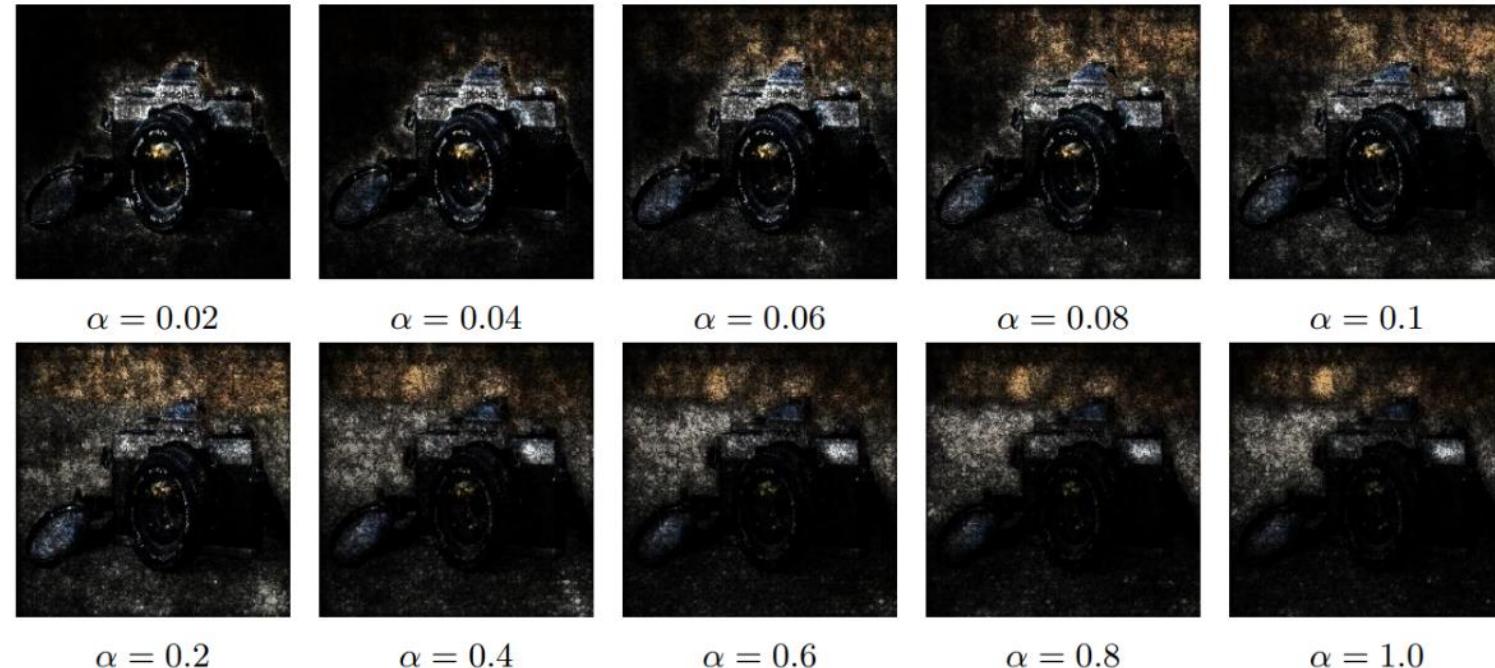
Backprop. Based

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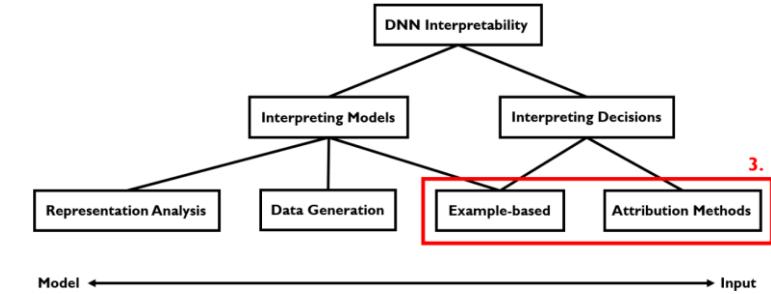
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# Types of DNN Interpretability



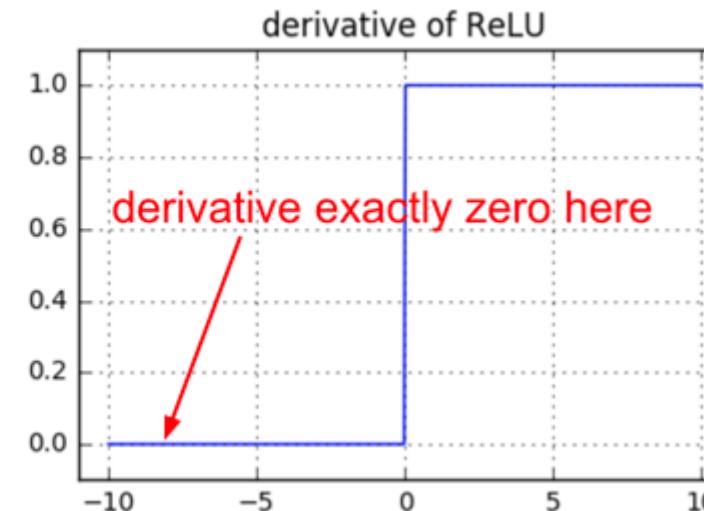
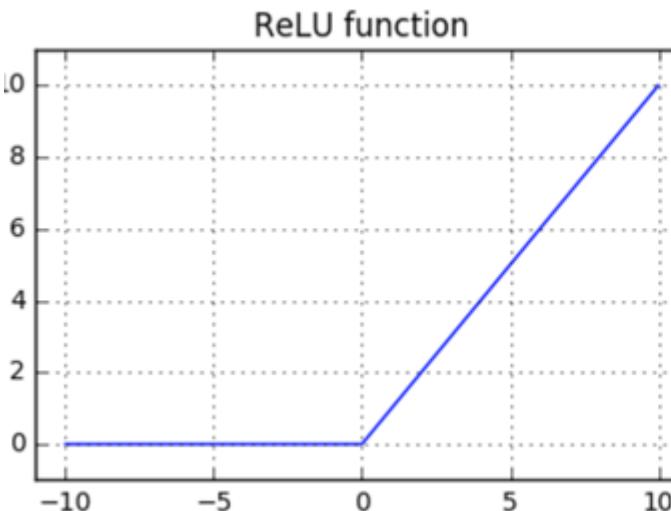
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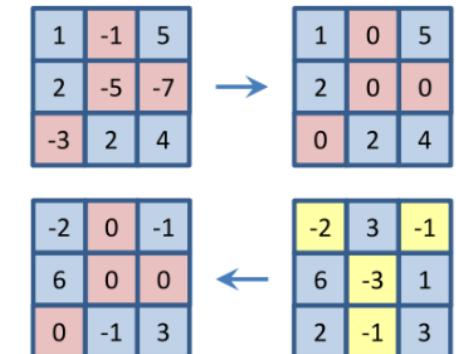
Backprop. Based

## Review: Backpropagation at ReLU

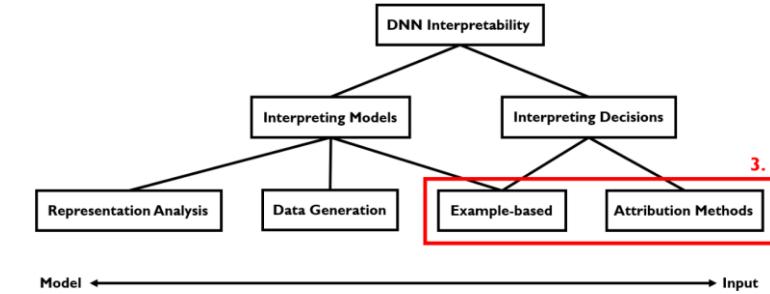


Forward pass

Backward pass:  
backpropagation



# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

Gradient Based

Backprop. Based

## I. Deconvnet

- Maps feature pattern to input space (image reconstruction)
- To obtain valid feature reconstruction, pass the reconstructed signal through ReLUs
- Removing noise by removing negative gradient

Forward pass

$$\begin{matrix} 1 & -1 & 5 \\ 2 & -5 & -7 \\ -3 & 2 & 4 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{matrix}$$

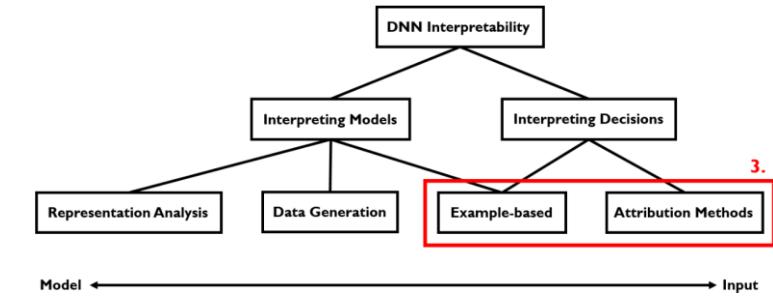
Backward pass:  
backpropagation

$$\begin{matrix} -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \end{matrix} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 6 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{matrix}$$

Backward pass:  
“deconvnet”

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# Types of DNN Interpretability



Example-based

Attribution Methods

Gradient Based

Backprop. Based

## 2. Guided Backpropagation

- Combine Deconvnet with Backpropagation
- Removing negative gradient + consider forward activations

Forward pass

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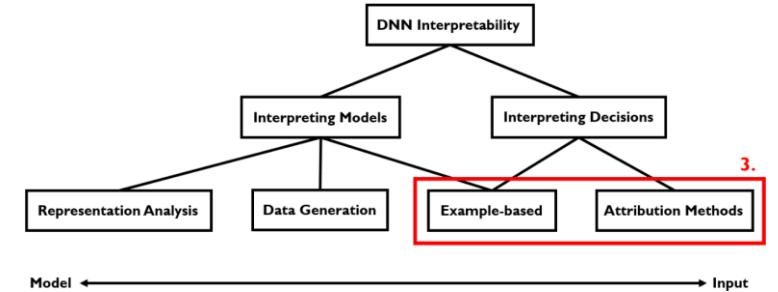
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# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

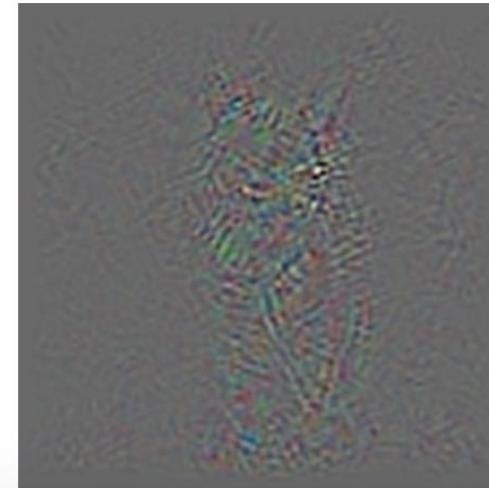
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**Backprop. Based**

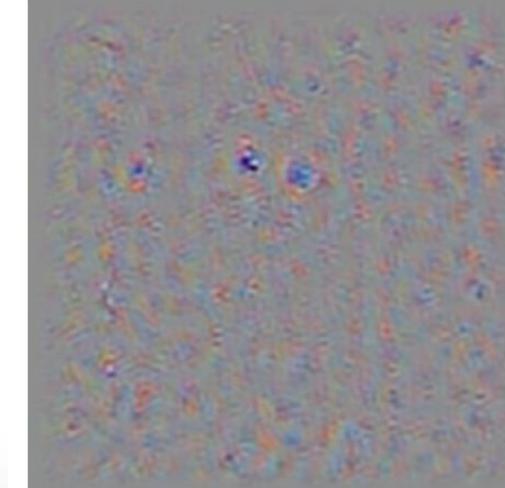
Input image



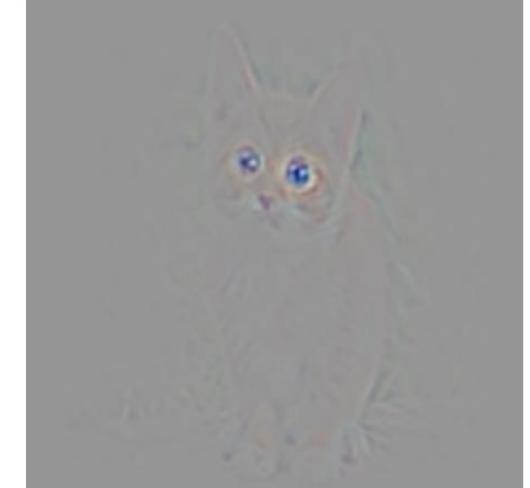
Backpropagation



Deconvolution

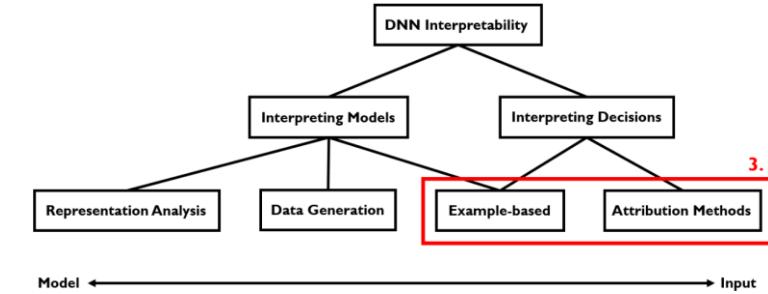


Guided Backprop



**Observation:** Removing **more** gradient leads to **sharper** visualizations

# Types of DNN Interpretability



**Example-based**

**Attribution Methods**

**Gradient Based**

**Backprop. Based**

## Other Attribution Methods

- Gradient \* Input – <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1704.02685.pdf>
- Integrated Gradient – <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1703.01365.pdf>
- Layer-wise Relevance Propagation – <https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0130140>
- Deep Taylor Decomposition – <https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0130140>
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- PatternNet and PatternAttribution – <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1705.05598.pdf>

# Part 2 Summary

## 1. Interpreting Models vs. Interpreting Decisions

- Interpreting models: macroscopic view, better understand internal representations
- Interpreting decision: microscopic view, important for practical applications

## 2. Interpreting Models

- Weight visualization
- Surrogate model
- Activation maximization
- Example-based

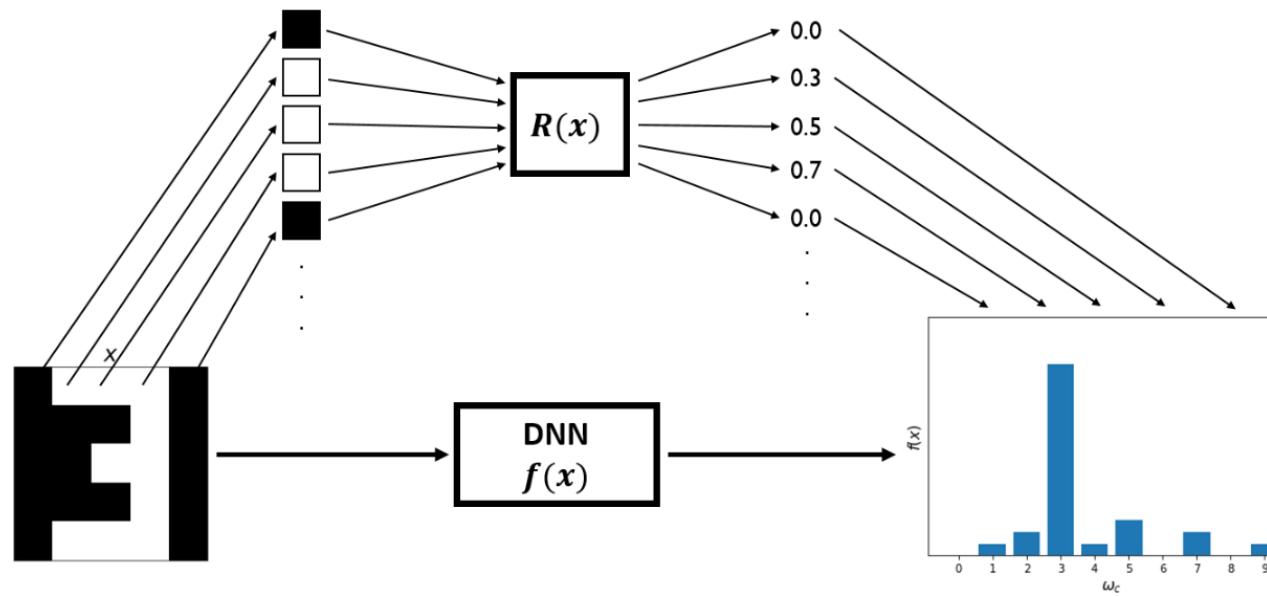
## 3. Interpreting Decisions

- Example-based
- Attribution Methods: why are gradients noisy?
- Gradient based Attribution Methods: SmoothGrad, Interior Gradient
- Backprop. based Attribution Methods: Deconvolution, Guided Backpropagation

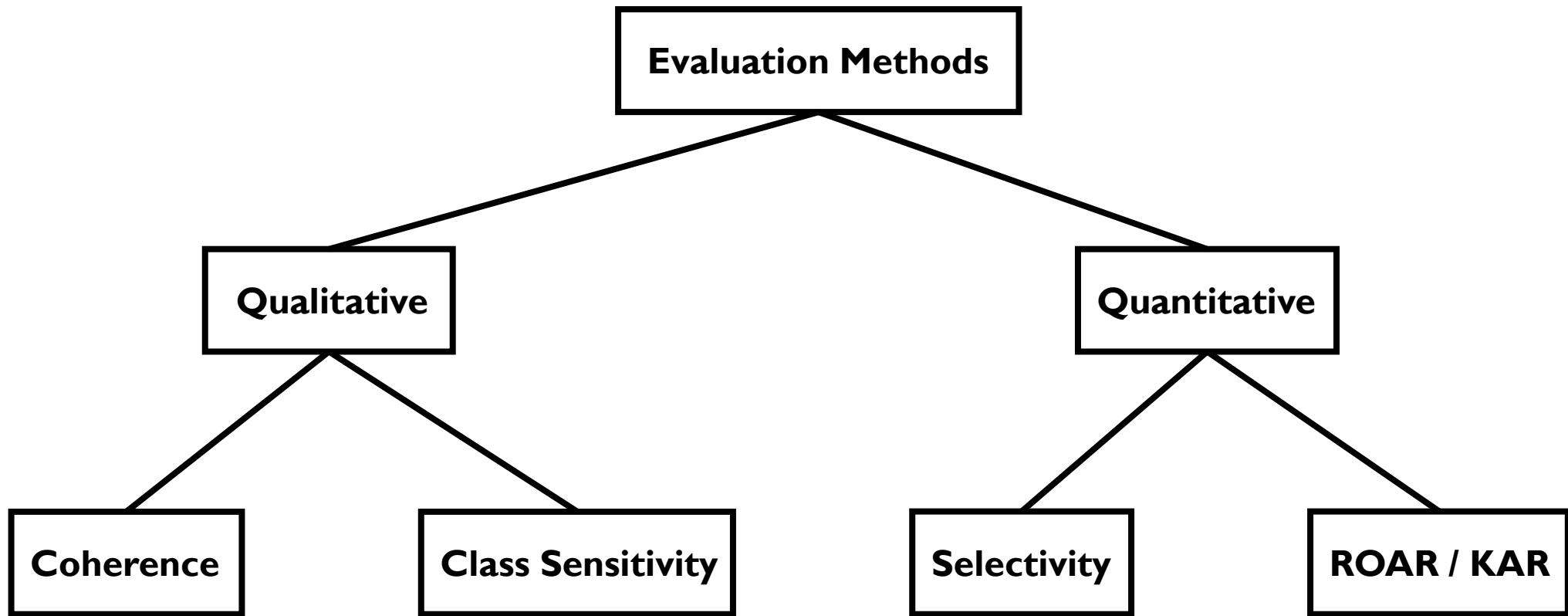
# Part 3 – Evaluating Attribution Methods

# Attribution Method Review

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assign to each pixel  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  **attribution values**  $R_1(x), R_2(x), \dots, R_n(x)$ .



# Evaluating Attribution Methods



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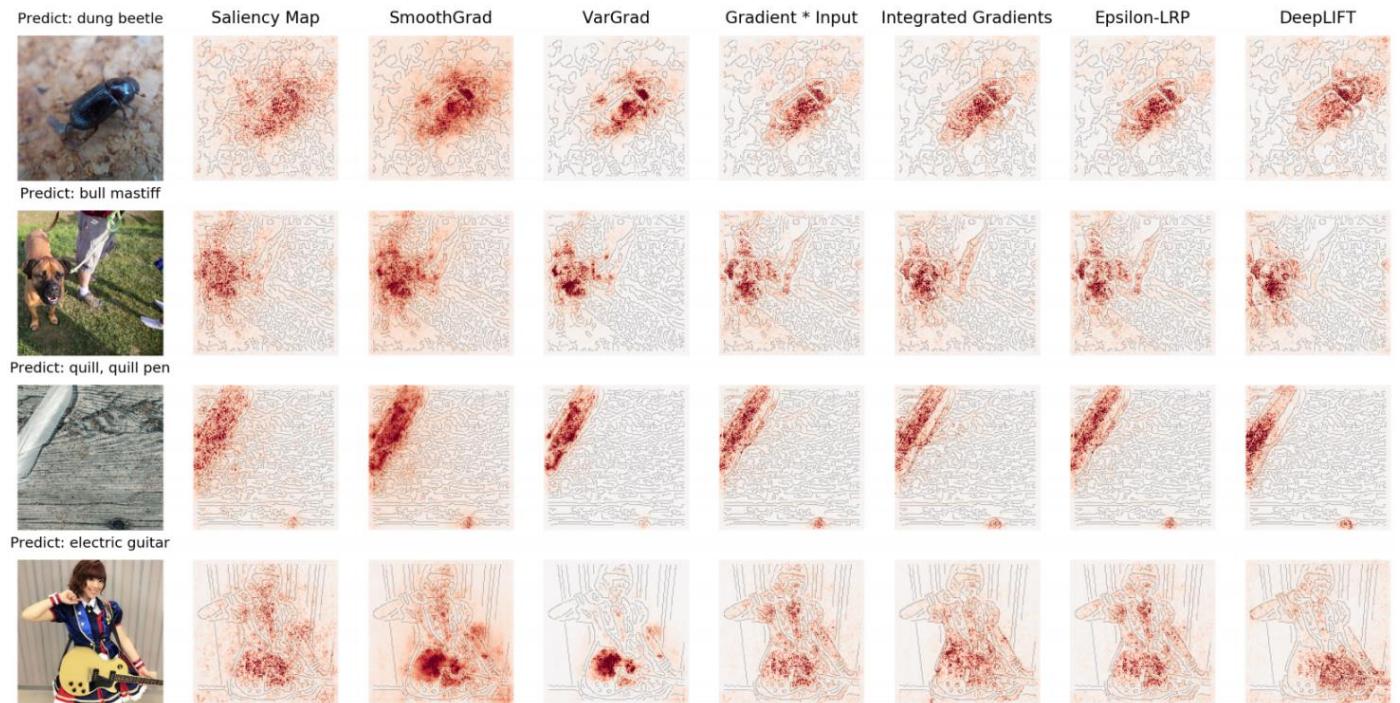
## Coherence

- Attributions should fall on discriminative features (e.g. the object of interest)

## Class Sensitivity

## Selectivity

## ROAR / KAR



# Evaluating Attribution Methods

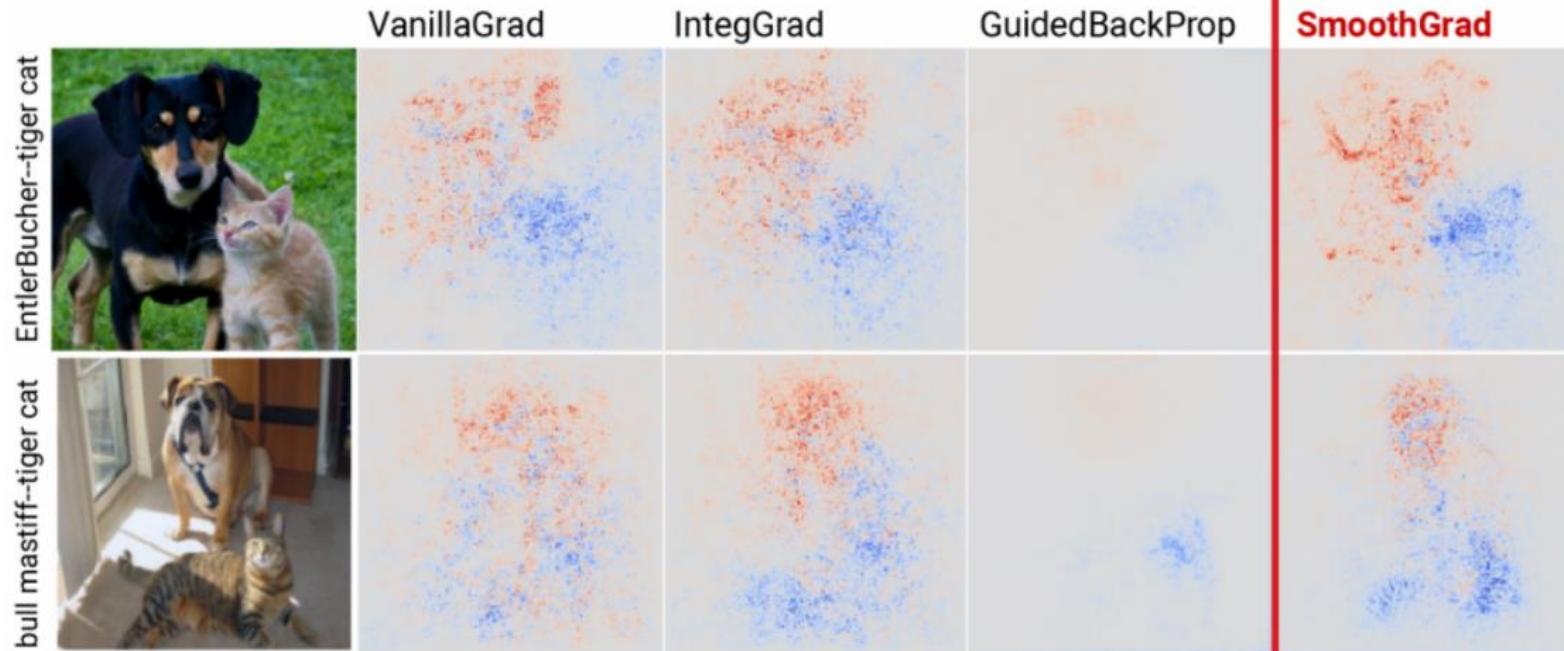
Coherence

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ROAR / KAR

- Attributions should be sensitive to class labels



# Evaluating Attribution Methods

Coherence

Class Sensitivity

Selectivity

ROAR / KAR

- Removing feature with high attribution should cause large decrease in class probability

## Algorithm

Sort pixel attribution values  $R_i(x)$

Iterate:

    Remove pixels

    Evaluate  $f(x)$

    Measure decrease of  $f(x)$

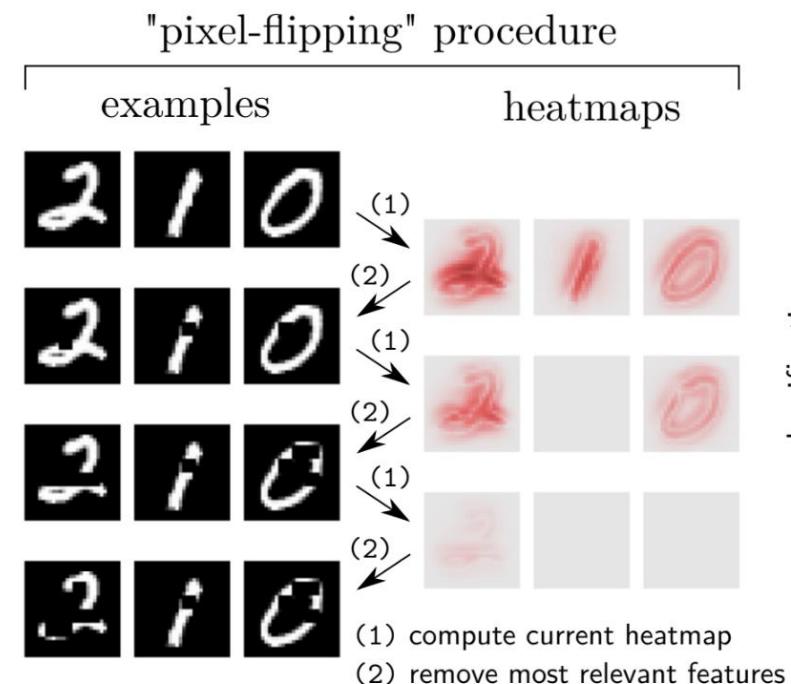
# Evaluating Attribution Methods

Coherence

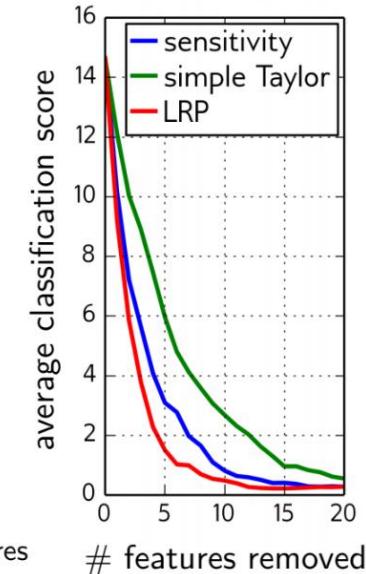
Class Sensitivity

Selectivity

ROAR / KAR



comparing explanation techniques



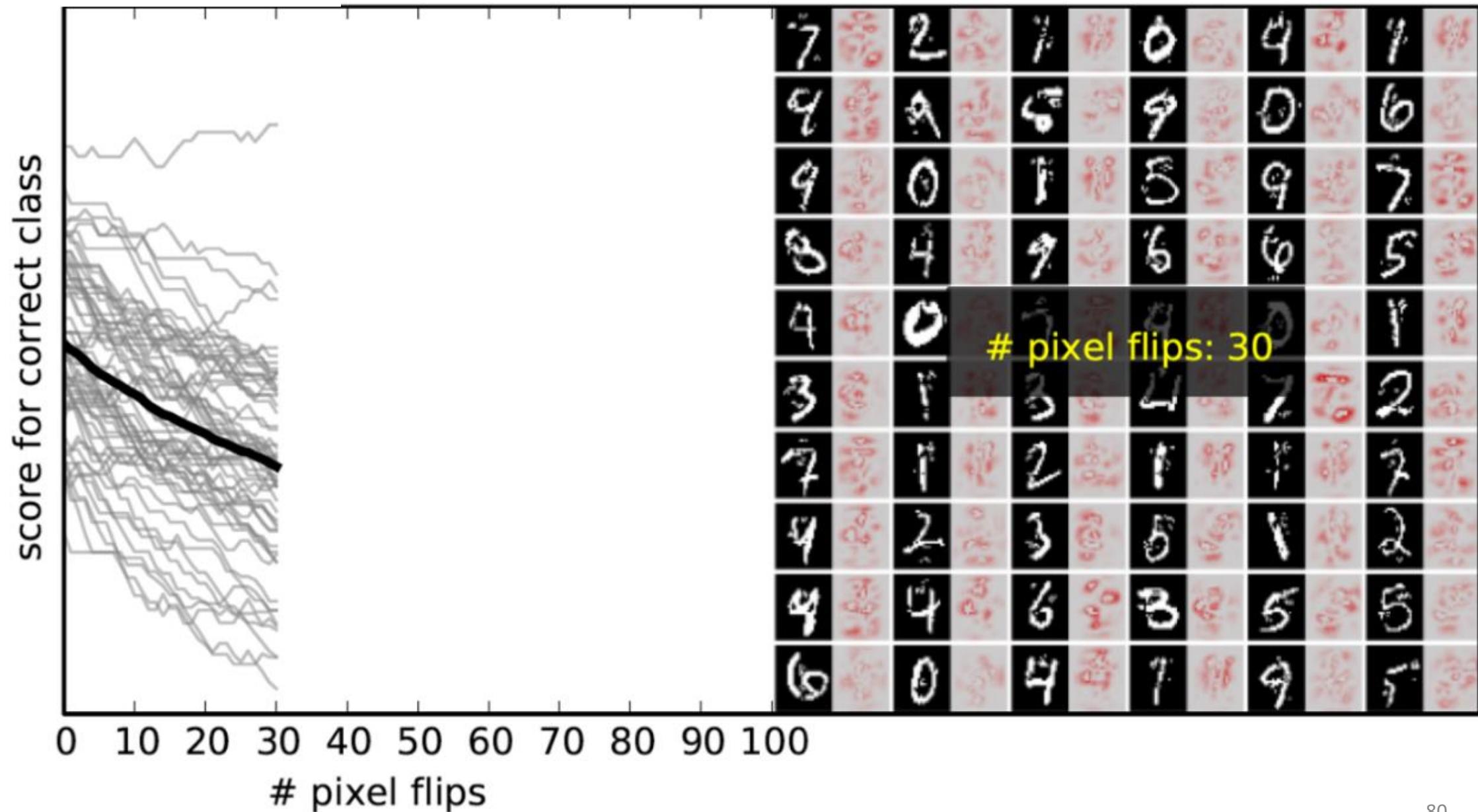
# Selectivity on Saliency Map

score for correct class

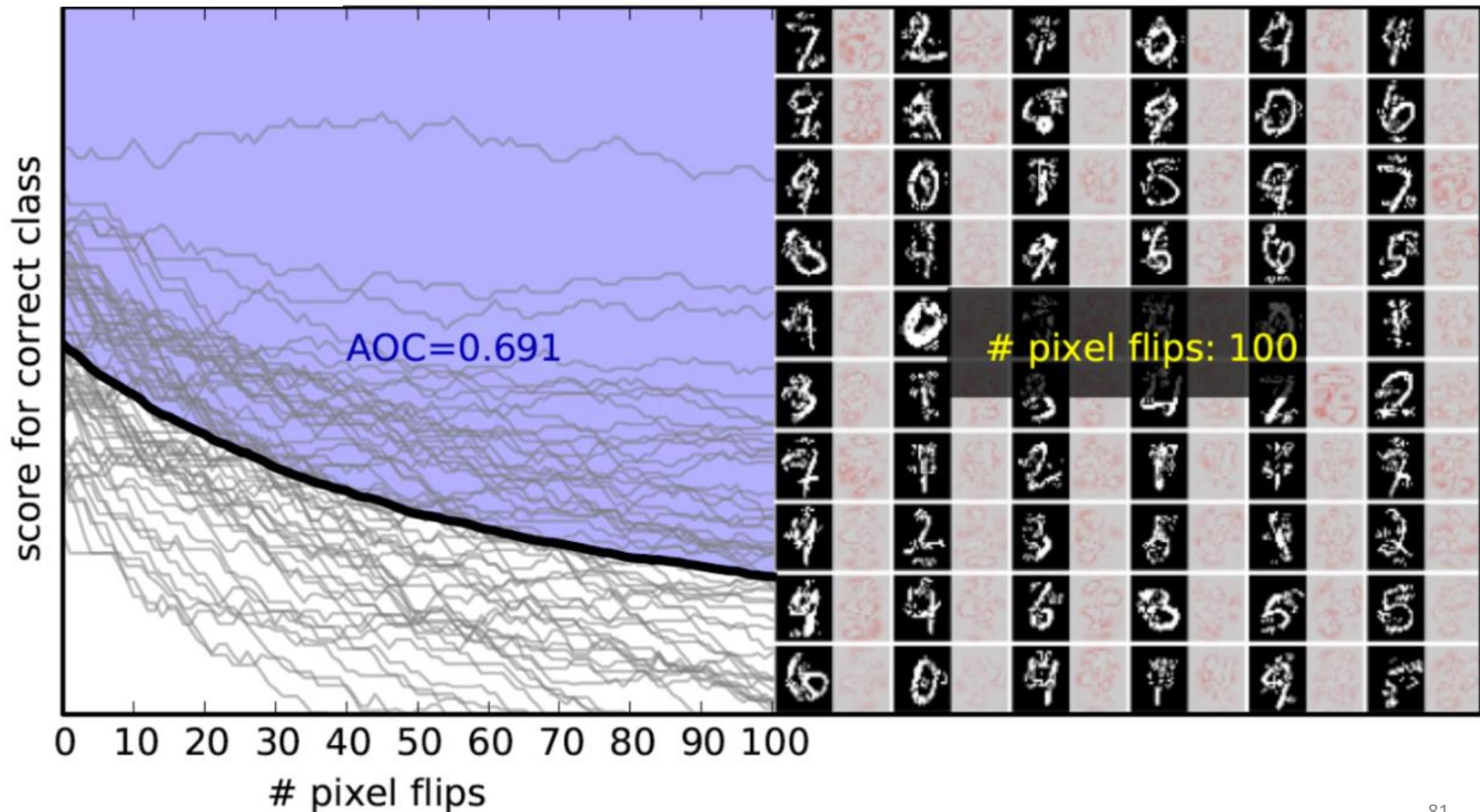
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# pixel flips



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- Sensitivity may not be accurate
- Class probability may decrease because the DNN has never seen such image

## Remove and Retrain (ROAR) / Keep and Retrain (KAR)

Measure how the performance of the classifier changes as features are removed based on the attribution method

- ROAR: replace  $N\%$  of pixels estimated to be *most* important
- KAR: replace  $N\%$  of pixels estimated to be *least* important
- Retrain DNN and measure change in test accuracy

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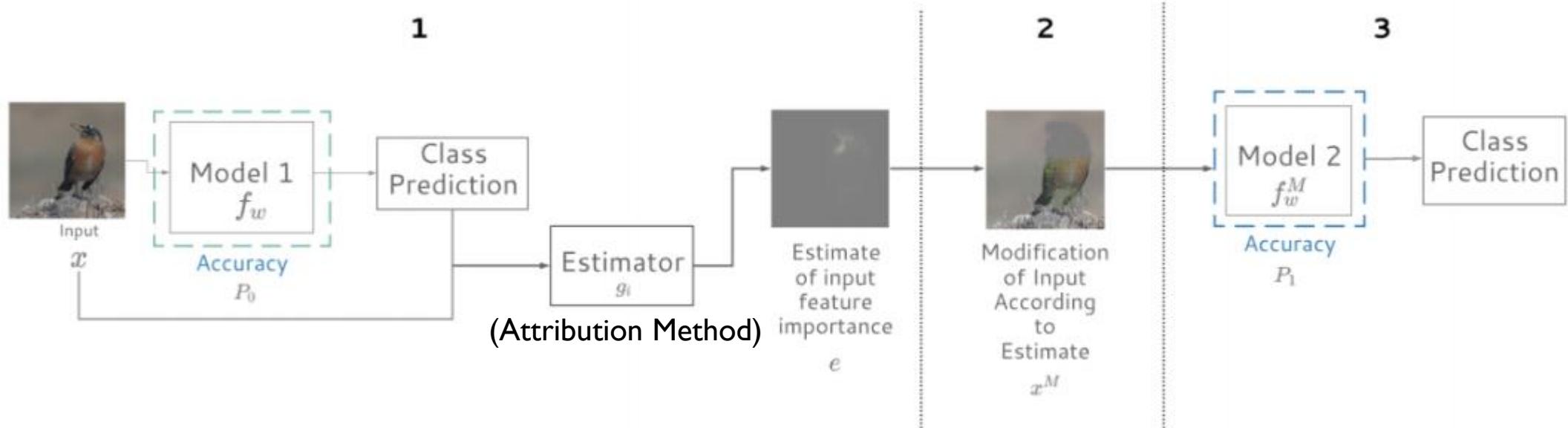
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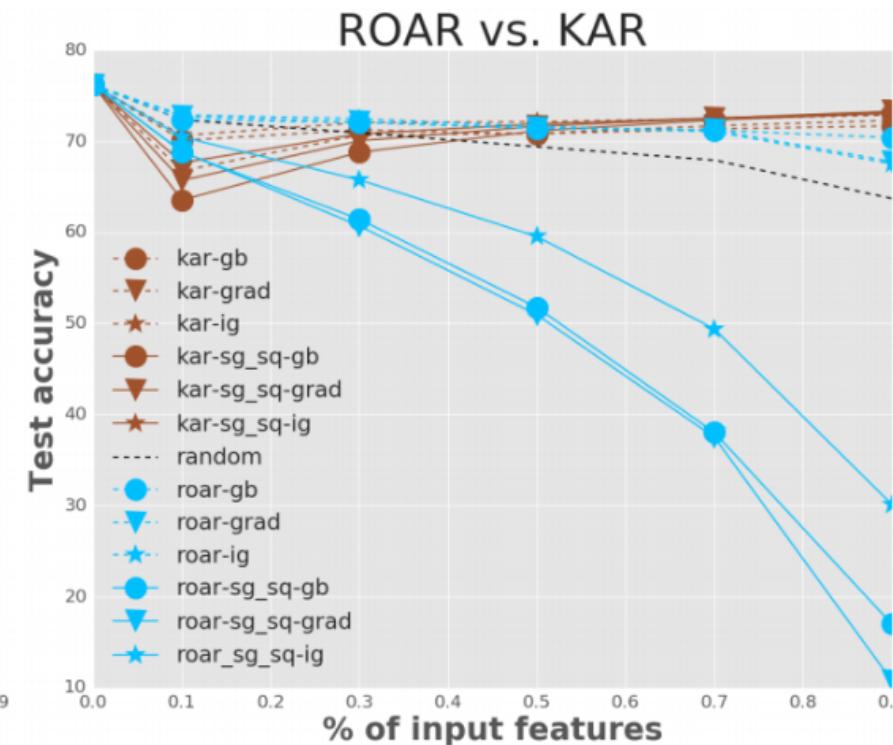
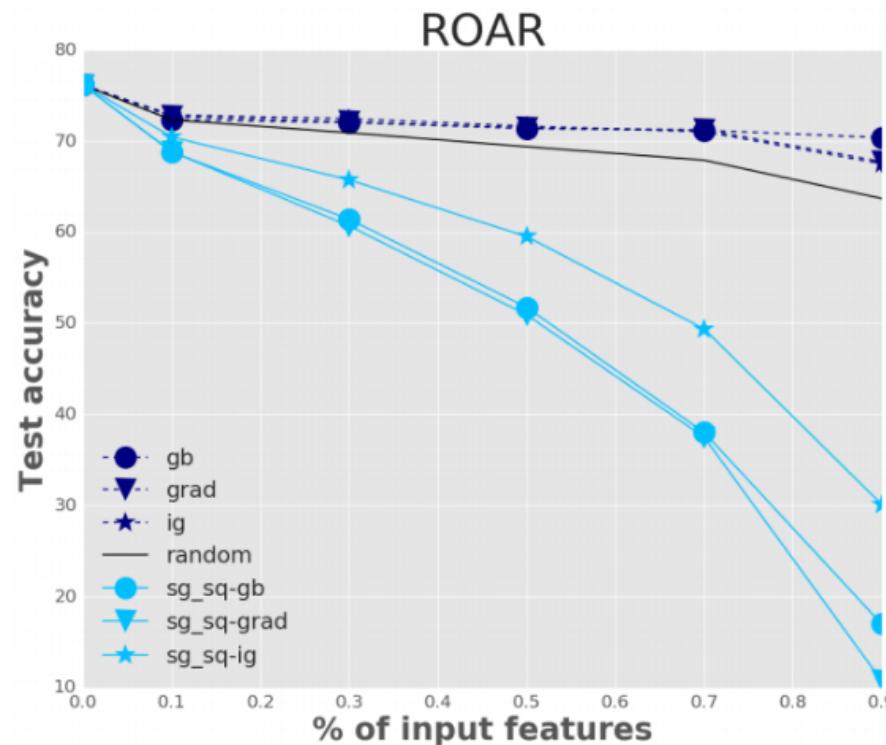
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# Part 3 Summary

## 1. Qualitative: Coherence

- Attributions should highlight discriminative features / objects of interest

## 2. Qualitative: Class Sensitivity

- Attributions should be sensitive to class labels

## 3. Quantitative: Sensitivity

- Removing feature with high attribution should cause large decrease in class probability

## 4. Quantitative: ROAR & KAR

- Problem: class probability may decrease because the DNN has never seen such image
- Solution: remove pixels, retrain and measure drop in accuracy

# Summary

## 1. Introduction to Interpretability

- Interpretability is converting implicit information in DNN to (human) interpretable information
- Ante-hoc Interpretability vs. Post-hoc Interpretability
- Post-hoc interpretability techniques can be classified by degree of “locality”

## 2. Interpreting Deep Neural Networks

- Interpreting Models vs. Interpreting Decisions
- Interpreting Models: weight visualization, surrogate model, activation maximization, example-based
- Interpreting Decisions: example-based, attribution methods

## 3. Evaluating Attribution Methods

- Qualitative Evaluation Methods: coherence, class sensitivity
- Quantitative Evaluation Methods: Sensitivity, ROAR & KAR

# Additional References

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