

# Convolutional Neural Networks

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# Convolutional neural networks

- A specialized kind of neural network for processing data that has a known grid-like topology.
  - E.g., time-series data, which can be thought of as a 1-D grid taking samples at regular time intervals, and image data, which can be thought of as a 2-D grid of pixels
- The name “convolutional neural network” indicates that the network employs a mathematical operation called convolution . Convolution is a specialized kind of linear operation.
- Convolutional networks are neural networks that use convolution in place of general matrix multiplication in at least one of their layers.

# Convolutional neural networks

- Strong empirical application performance
- Convolutional networks: neural networks that use convolution in place of general matrix multiplication in at least one of their layers

$$h = \sigma(W^T x + b)$$

for a specific kind of weight matrix  $W$

# Convolution

# Convolution: discrete version

- Given array  $u_t$  and  $w_t$ , their convolution is a function  $s_t$

$$s_t = \sum_{a=-\infty}^{+\infty} u_a w_{t-a}$$

- Written as

$$s = (u * w) \quad \text{or} \quad s_t = (u * w)_t$$

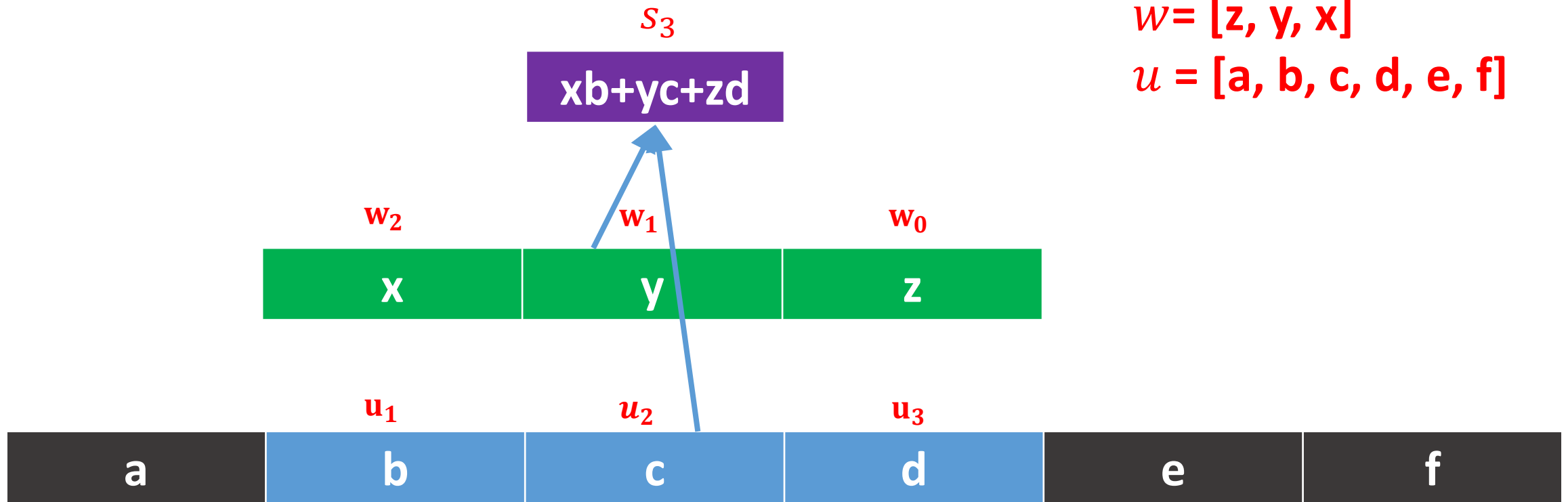
- When  $u_t$  or  $w_t$  is not defined, assumed to be 0

# Convolution, Motivation

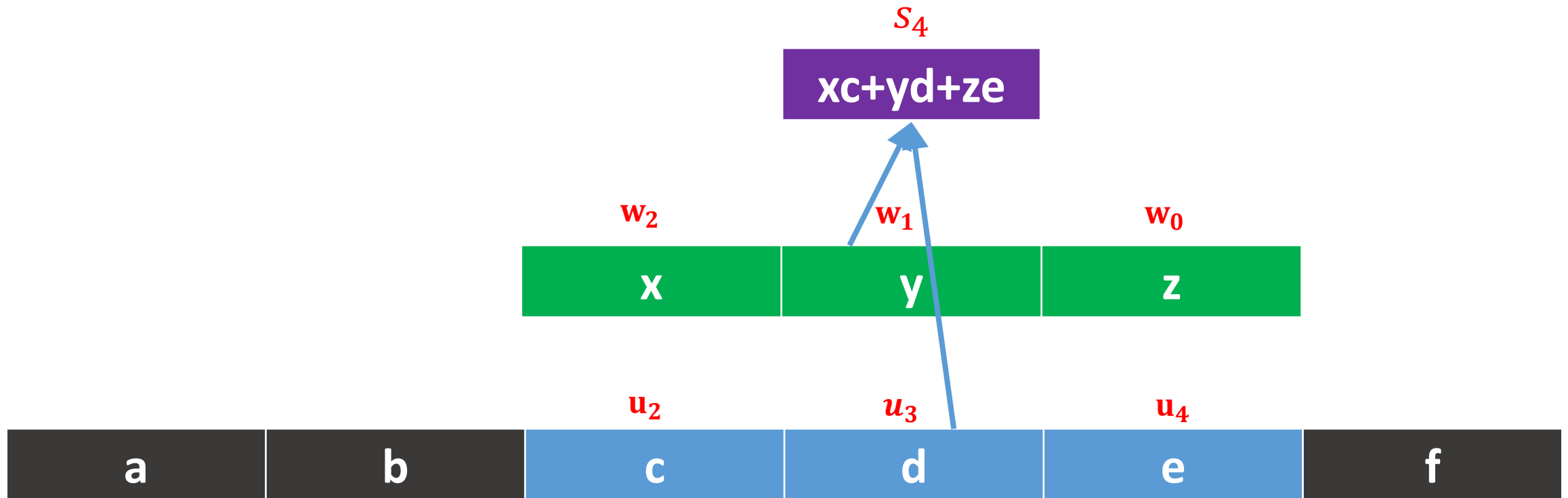
- Suppose we track the location of a spaceship with a laser sensor. The laser sensor provides a single output  $u(t)$ , the position of the spaceship at second  $t$ .
- Suppose sensor is noisy. To obtain a less noisy estimate of the spaceship's position, we average several measurements. More recent measurements are more relevant, so we use a weighted average that gives more weight to recent measurements.
- Use a weighting function  $w(a)$ , where  $a$  is the age of a measurement. If we apply such a weighted average operation at every moment, we obtain a new function  $s$  providing a smoothed estimate of the position of the spaceship:

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# Illustration 1

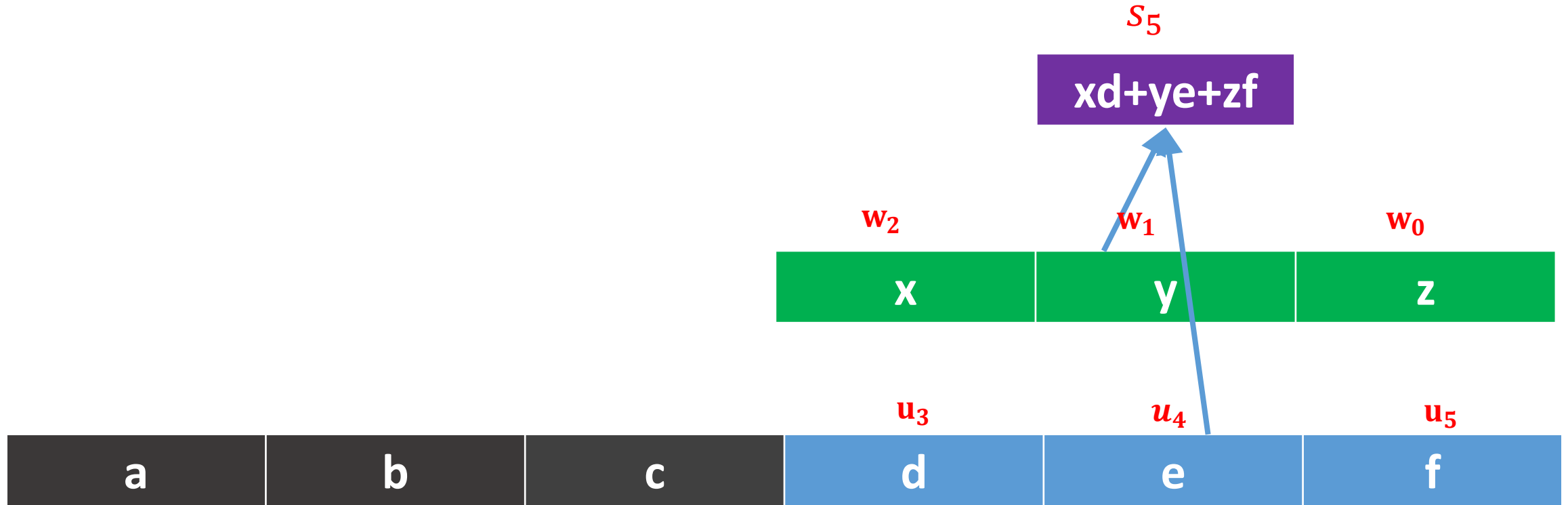


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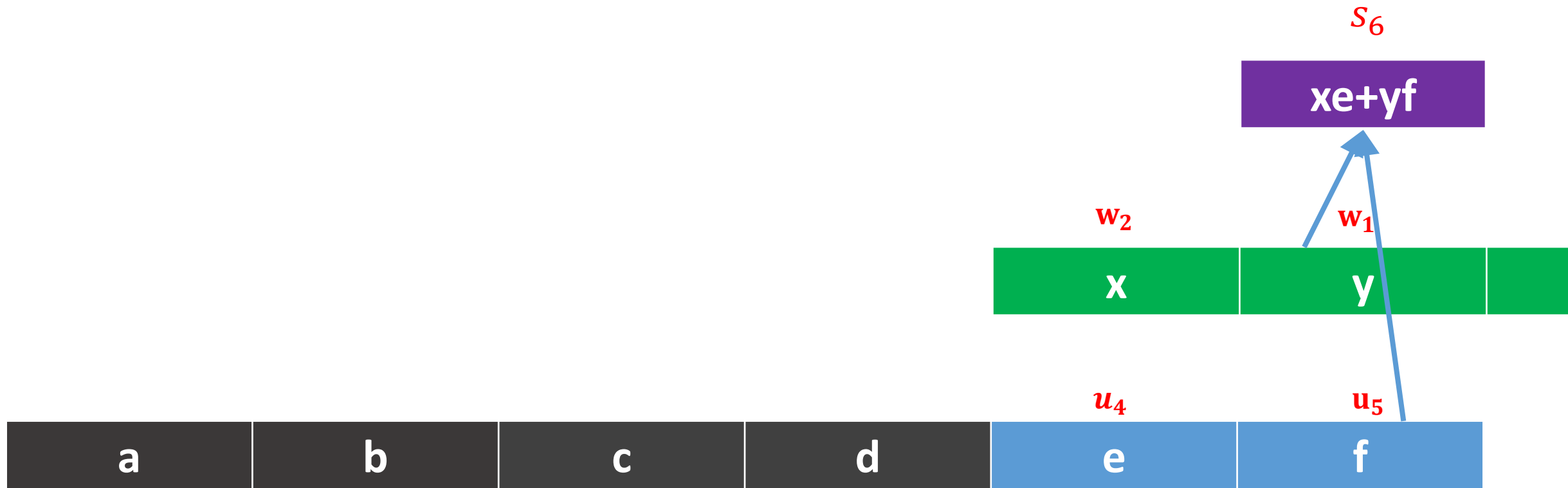




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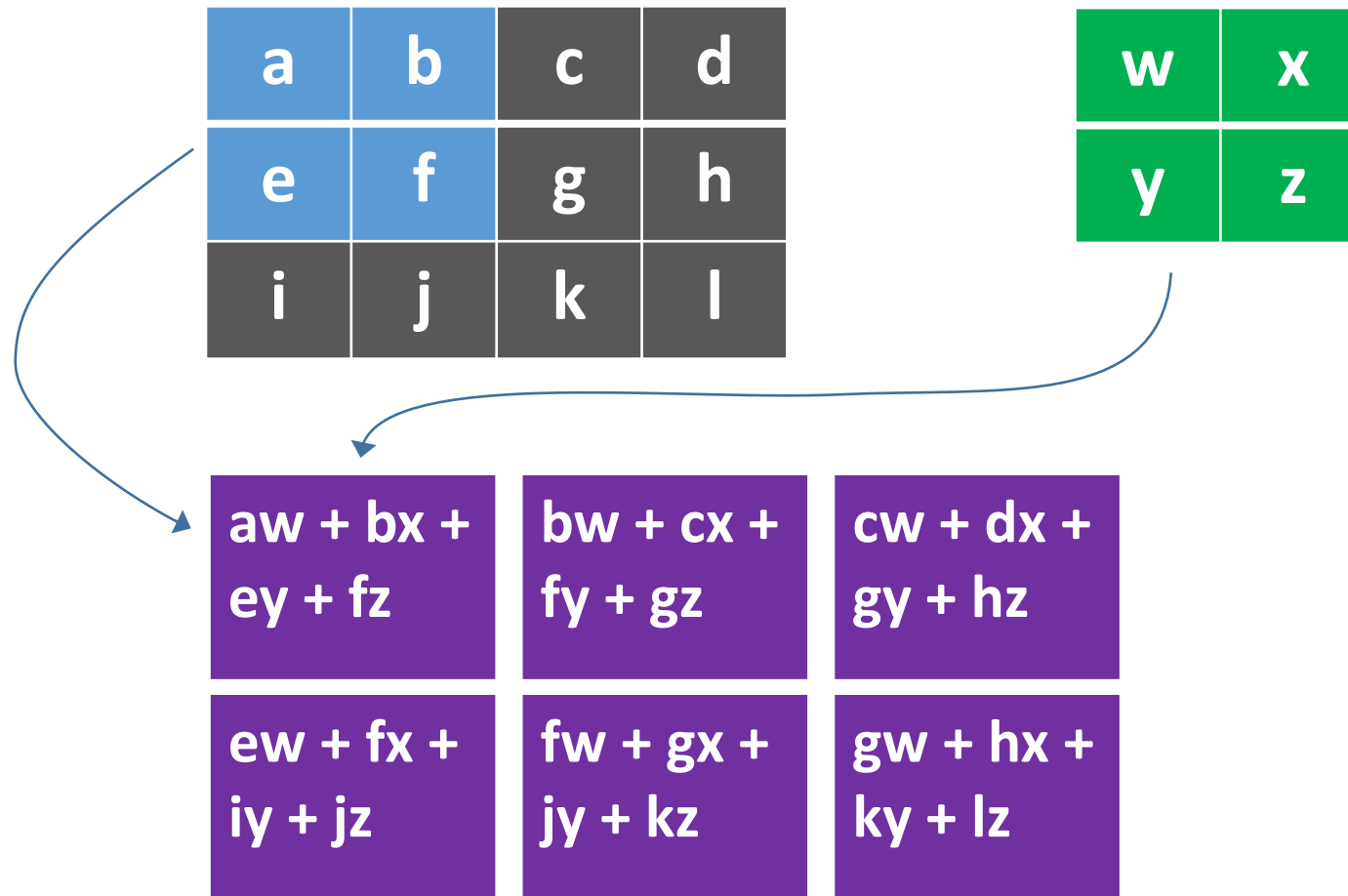
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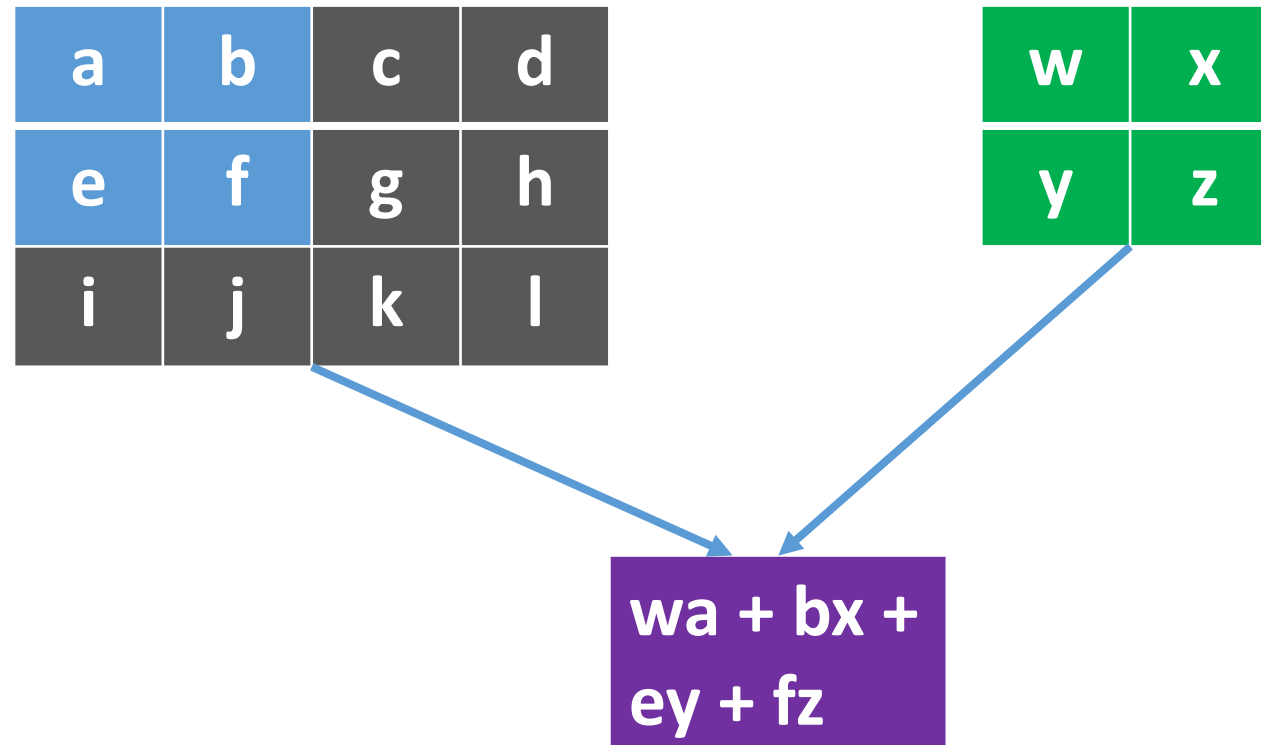
# Illustration 1 as matrix multiplication

y	z					a
x	y	z				b
	x	y	z			c
		x	y	z		d
			x	y	z	e
				x	y	f

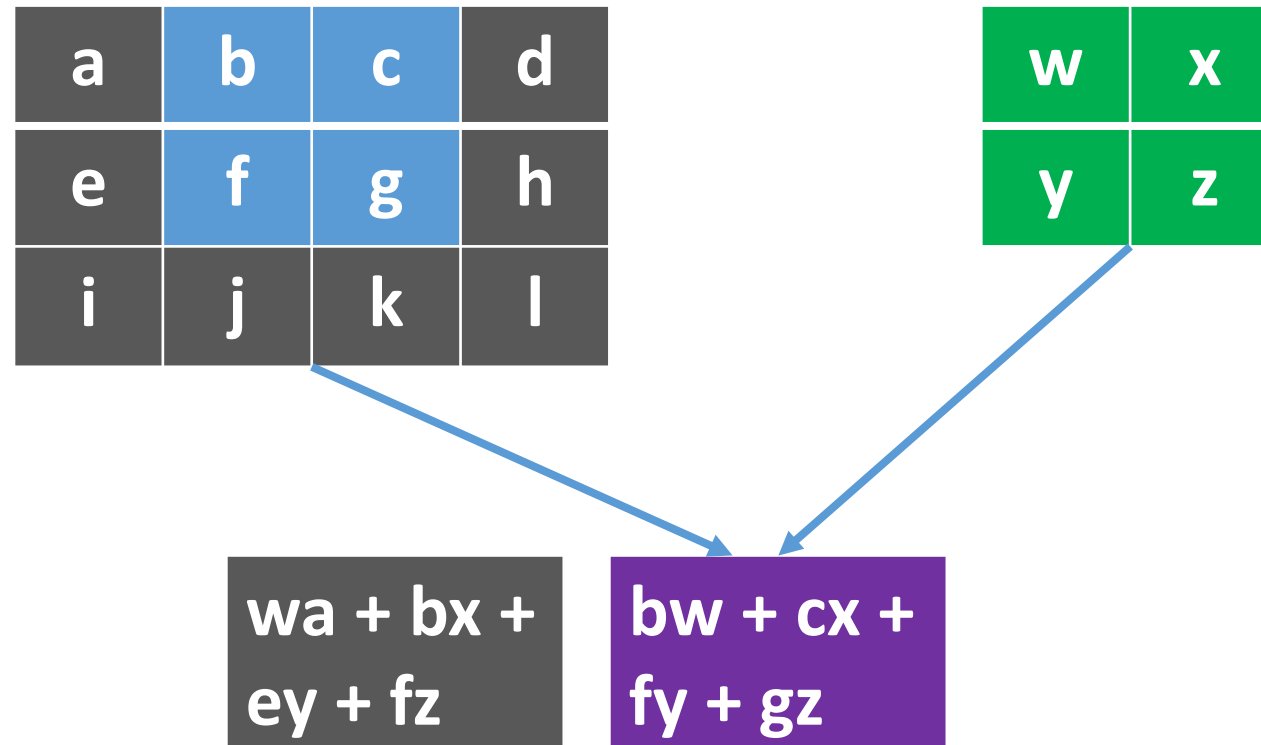
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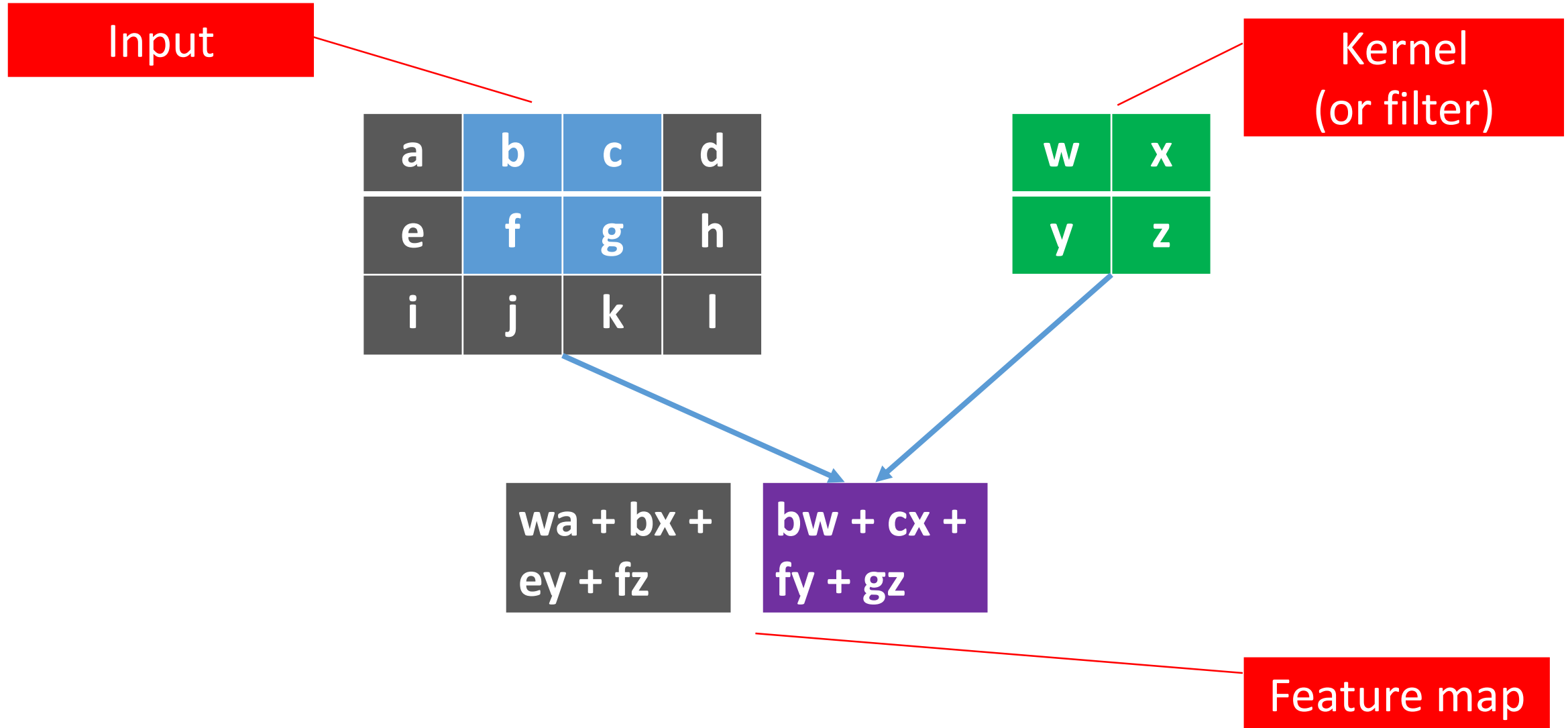
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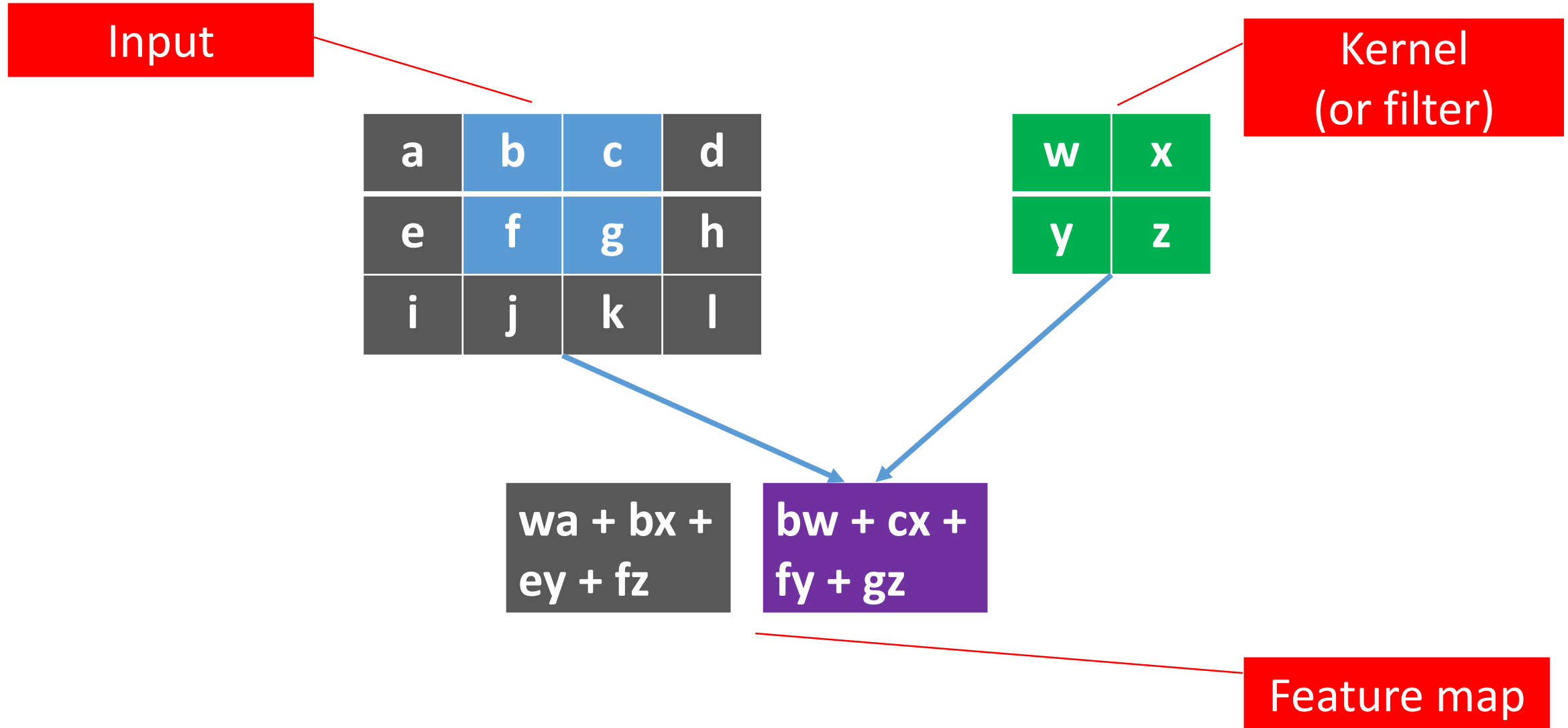
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# Advantage: sparse interaction

Fully connected layer,  $m \times n$  edges

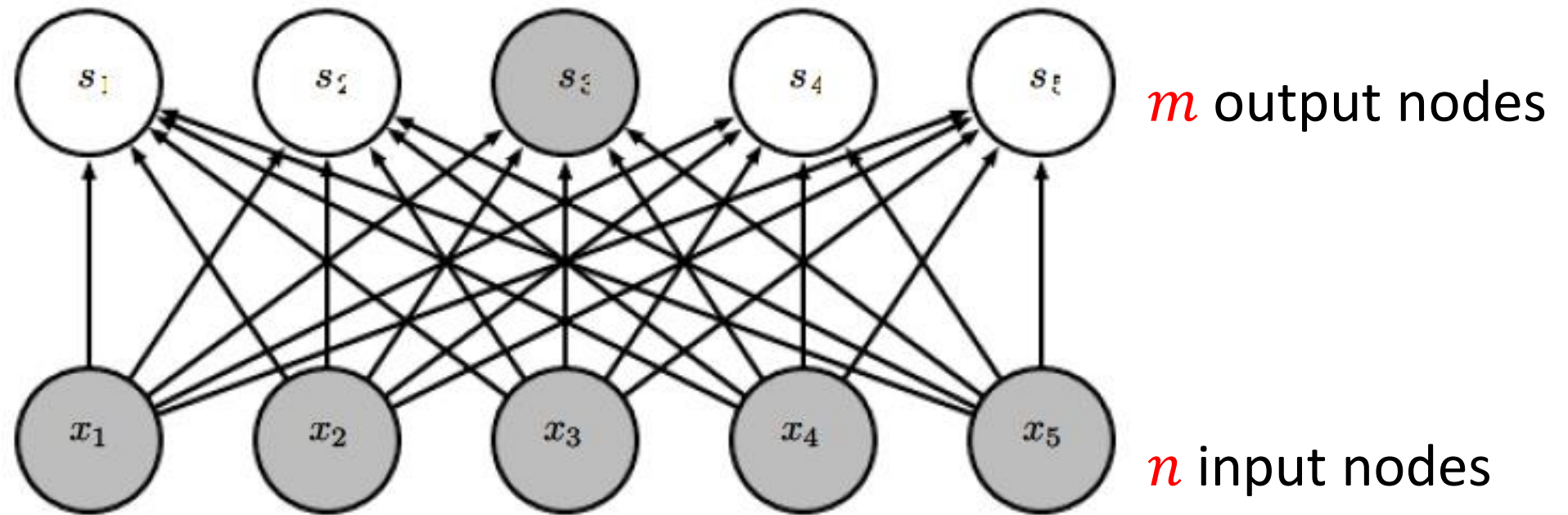


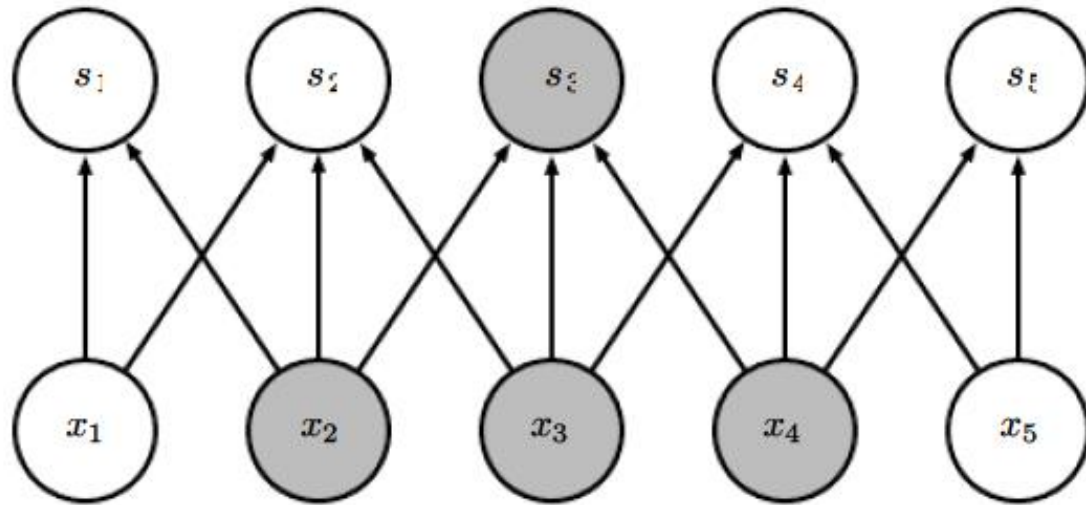
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# Advantage: sparse interaction

Convolutional layer,  $\leq m \times k$  edges

Store fewer parameters:

- reduces memory requirements
- improves statistical efficiency.



$m$  output nodes

$k$  kernel size

$n$  input nodes

# Advantage: sparse interaction

## Multiple convolutional layers: larger receptive field

- Receptive field of units in deeper layers larger than receptive field of units in shallow layers.
- Even though direct connections are sparse, units in the deeper layers are indirectly connected most of the input image.
- At the first layer capture more local features, but as we go deeper in the network we capture more global features.

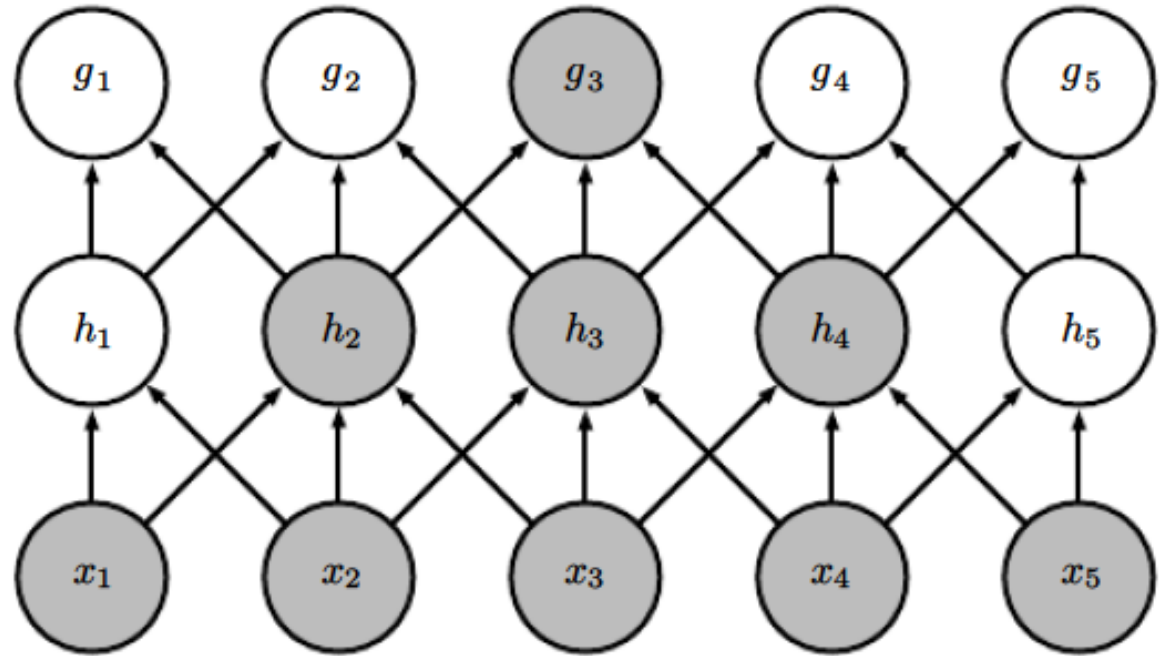
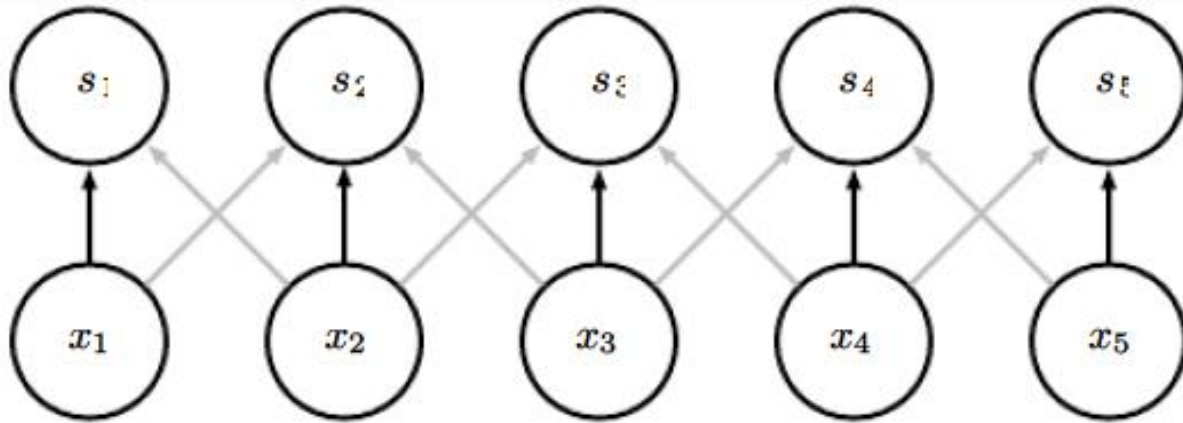


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# Advantage: parameter sharing



The same kernel are used repeatedly.  
E.g., the black edge is the same weight  
in the kernel.

Reduce the storage requirements of the  
model.

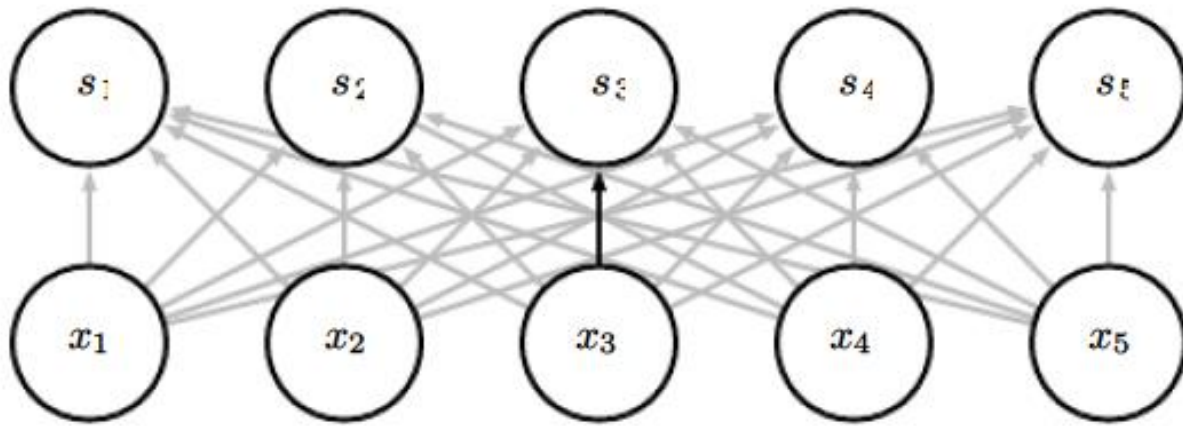


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# Advantage: equivariant representations

- Equivariant: transforming the input = transforming the output
- Example: input is an image, transformation is shifting
- $\text{Convolution}(\text{shift}(\text{input})) = \text{shift}(\text{Convolution}(\text{input}))$
- Useful when care only about the **existence** of a pattern, rather than the **location**

Pooling

# Terminology

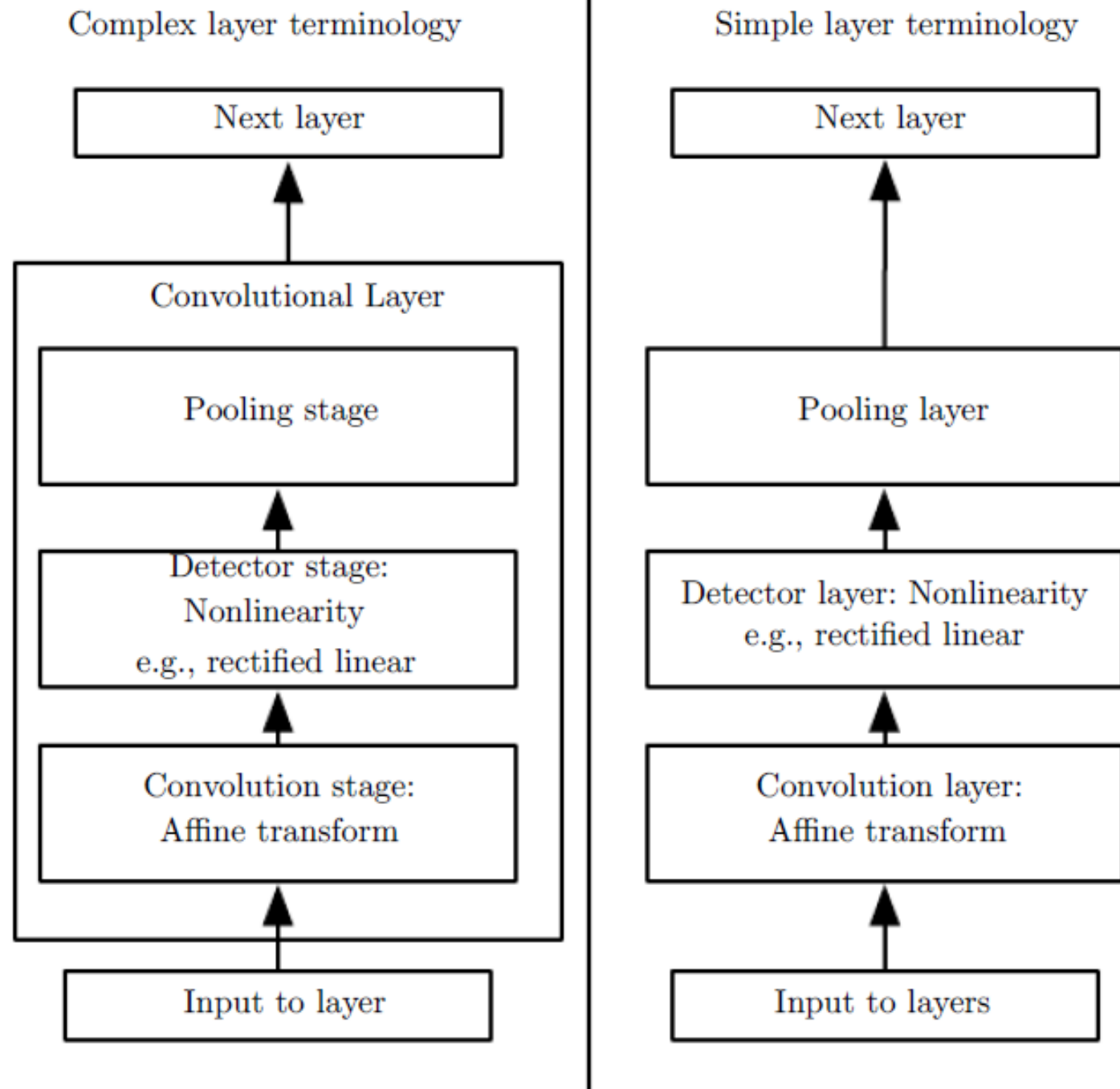
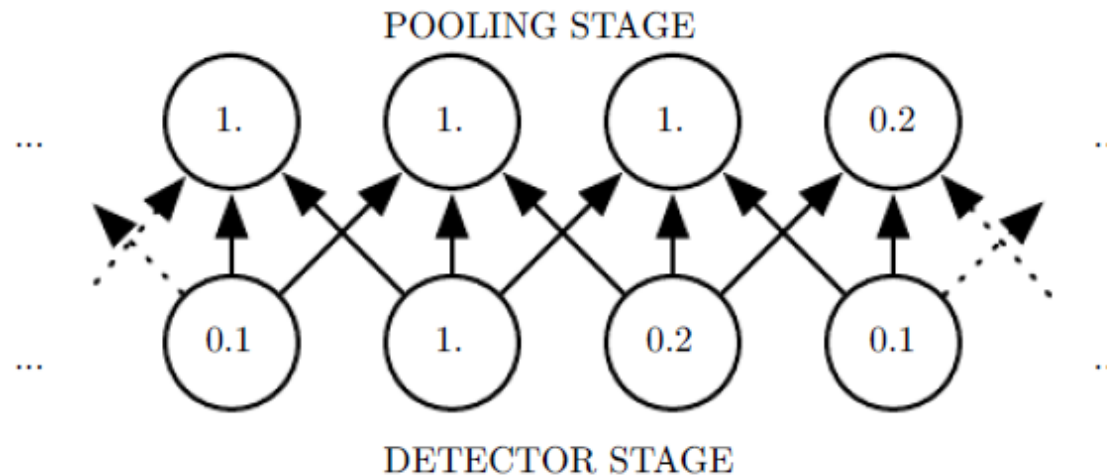


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# Pooling

- Summarizing the input (i.e., output the max of the input)



A pooling function replaces the output of the net at a certain location with a summary statistic of the nearby outputs. . For example, the max pooling takes maximum output within a rectangular neighborhood.



# Advantage

Induce invariance

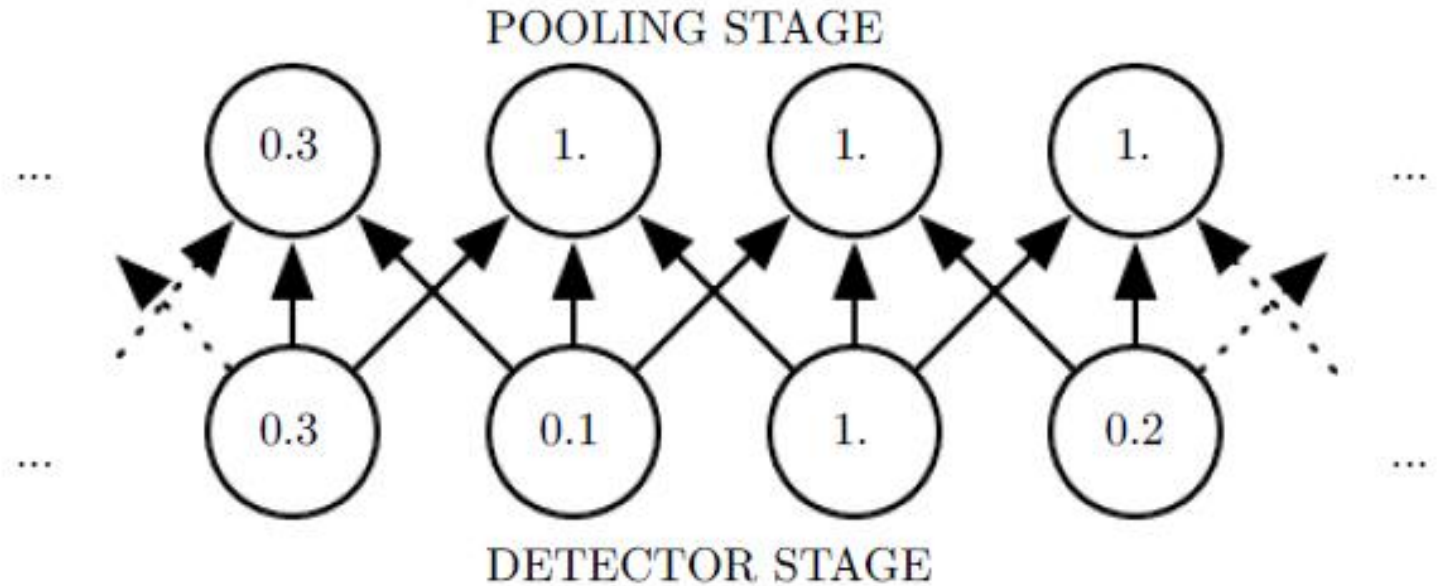
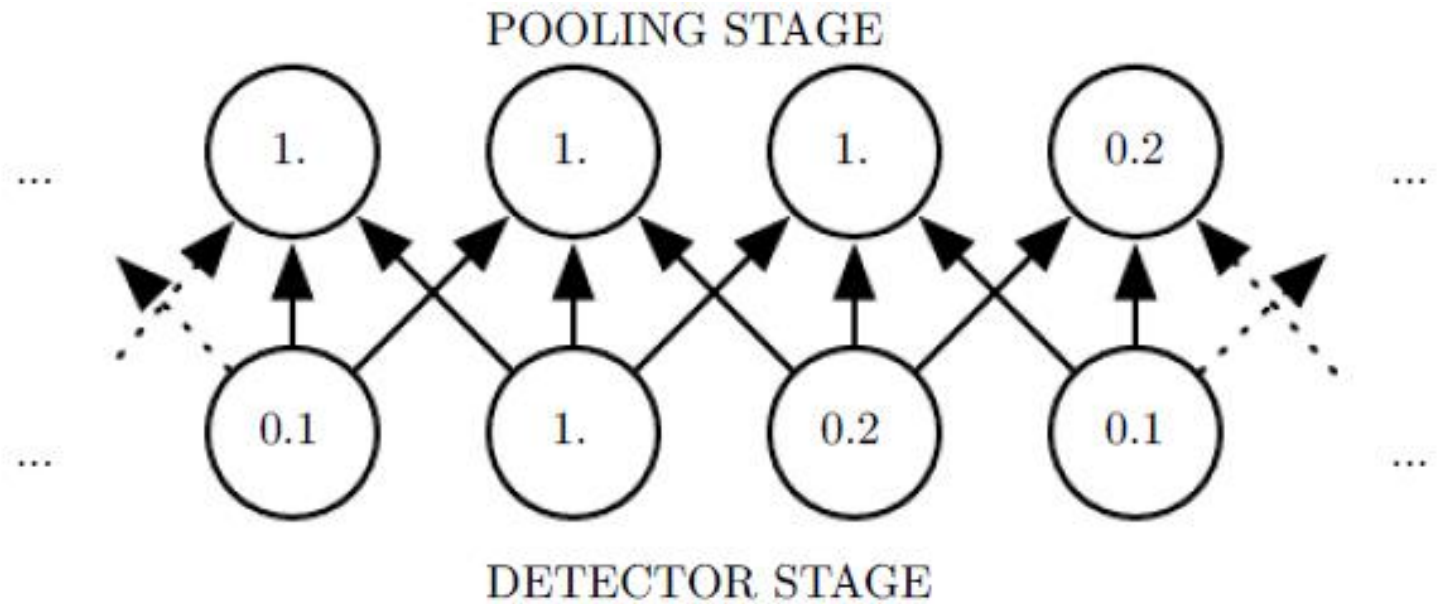


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# Variants of pooling

- Max pooling  $y = \max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$
- Average pooling  $y = \text{mean}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$
- Others like max-out

# Motivation from neuroscience

- David Hubel and Torsten Wiesel studied early visual system in human brain (V1 or primary visual cortex), and won Nobel prize for this
- V1 properties
  - 2D spatial arrangement
  - Simple cells: inspire convolution layers
  - Complex cells: inspire pooling layers

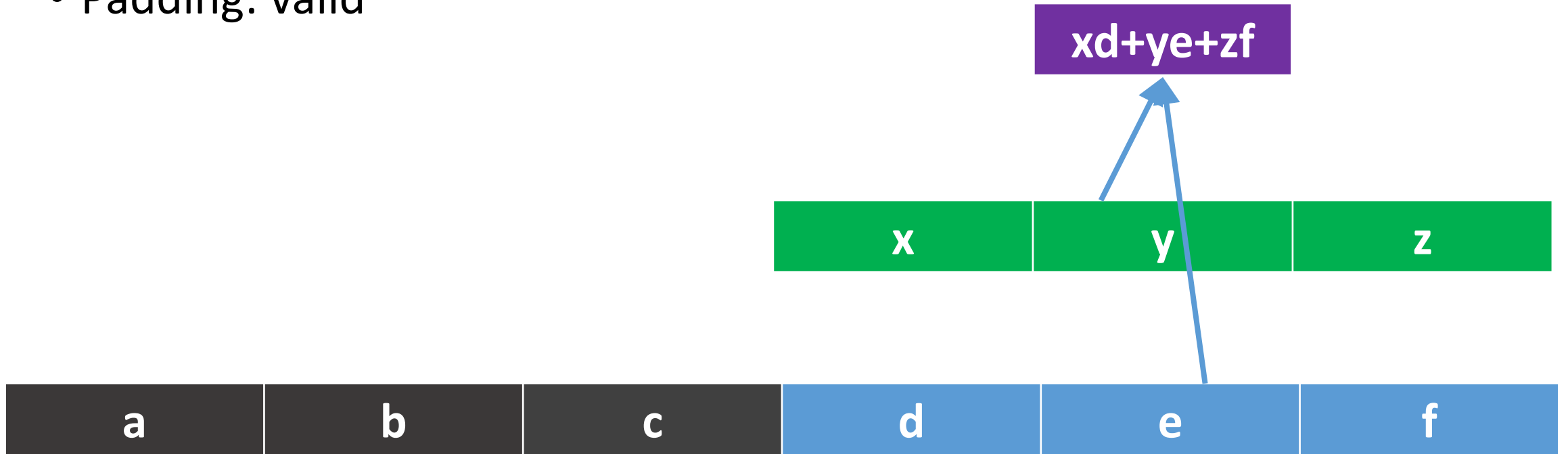
Variants of convolution and pooling

# Variants of convolutional layers

- Multiple dimensional convolution
- Input and kernel can be 3D
  - E.g., images have (width, height, RGB channels)
- Multiple kernels lead to multiple feature maps (also called channels)

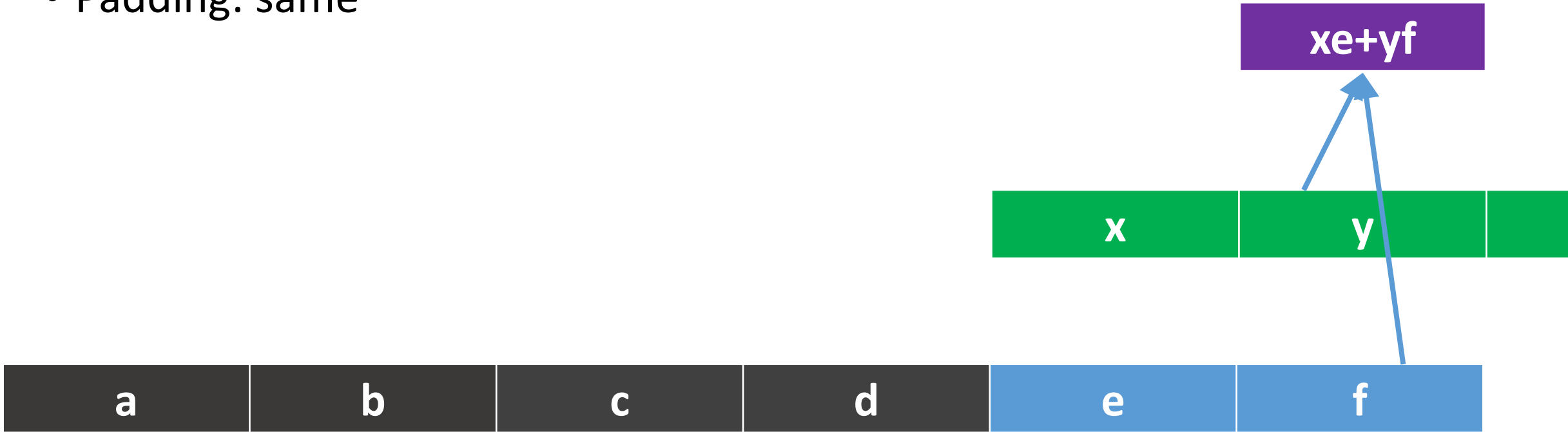
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- Padding: valid



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- Padding: same



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- Stride

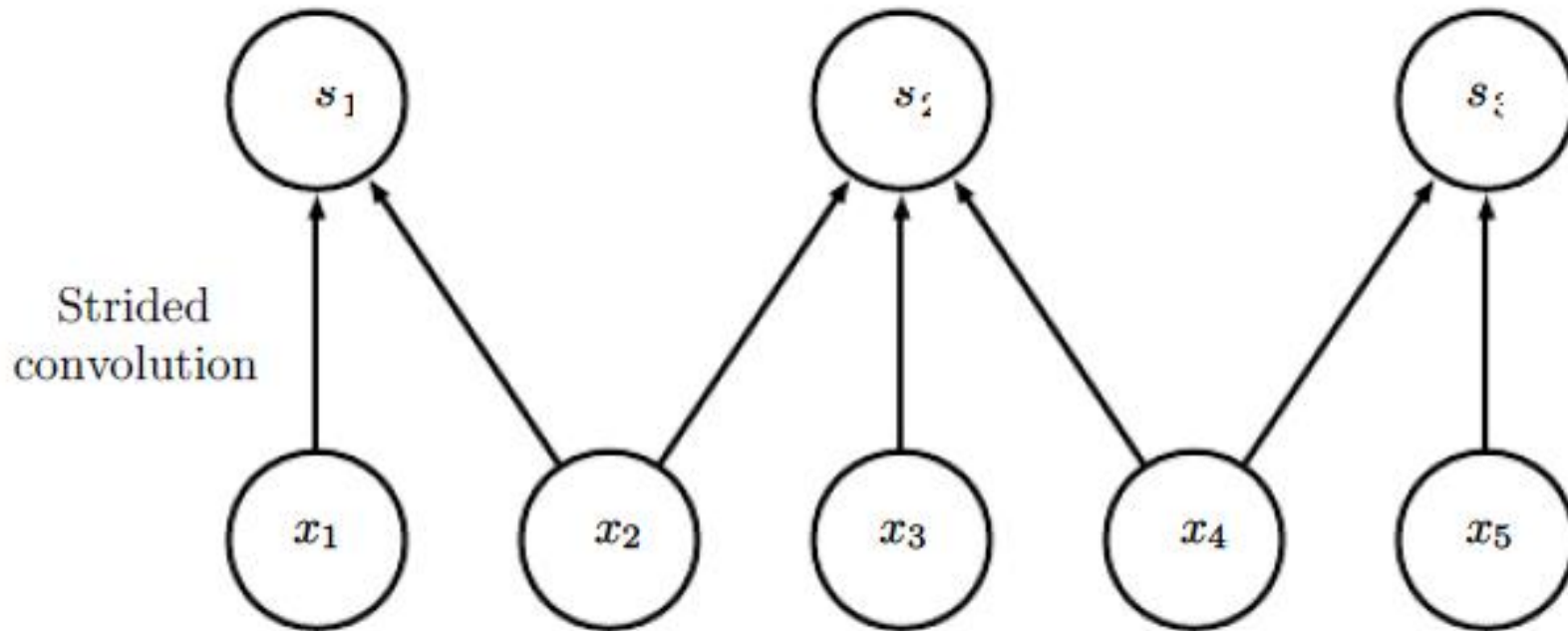


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# Variants of pooling

- Stride and padding

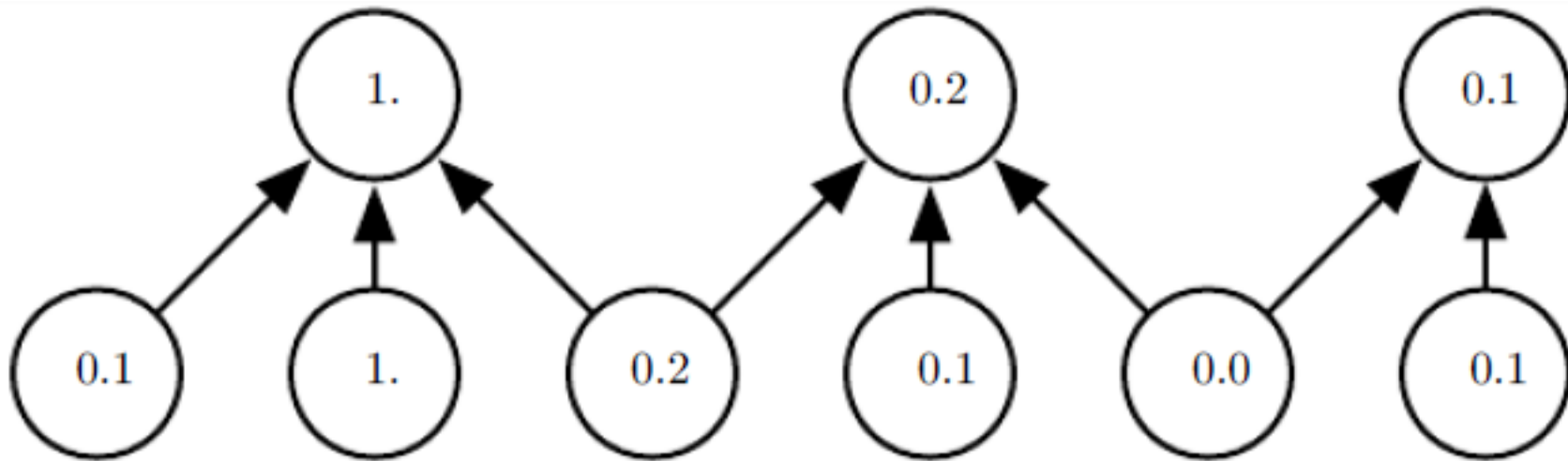


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# Case study: LeNet-5

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- Apply convolution on 2D images (MNIST) and use backpropagation
- Structure: 2 convolutional layers (with pooling) + 3 fully connected layers
  - Input size: 32x32x1
  - Convolution kernel size: 5x5
  - Pooling: 2x2

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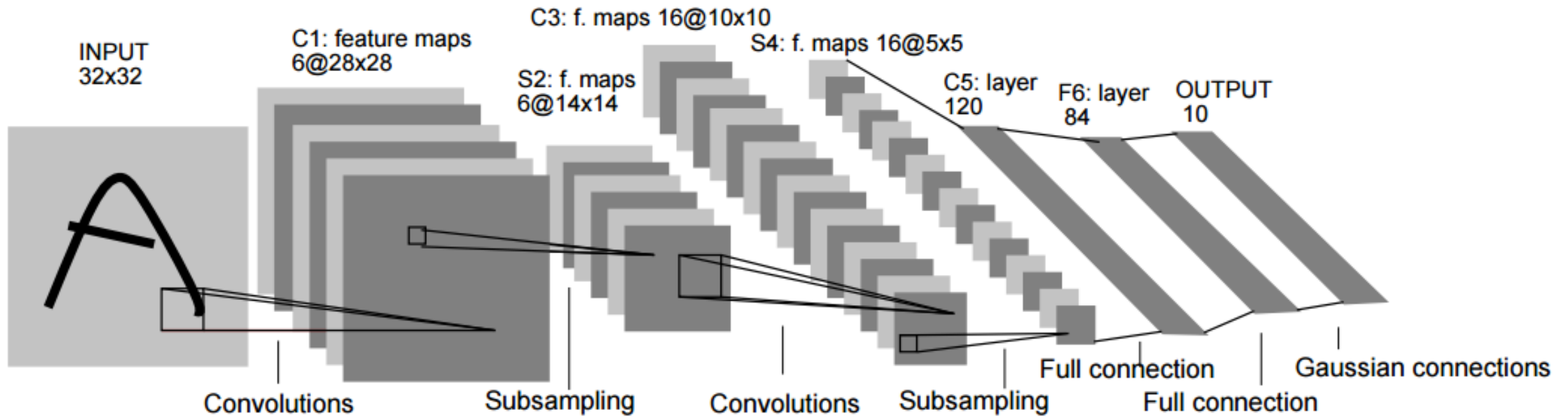


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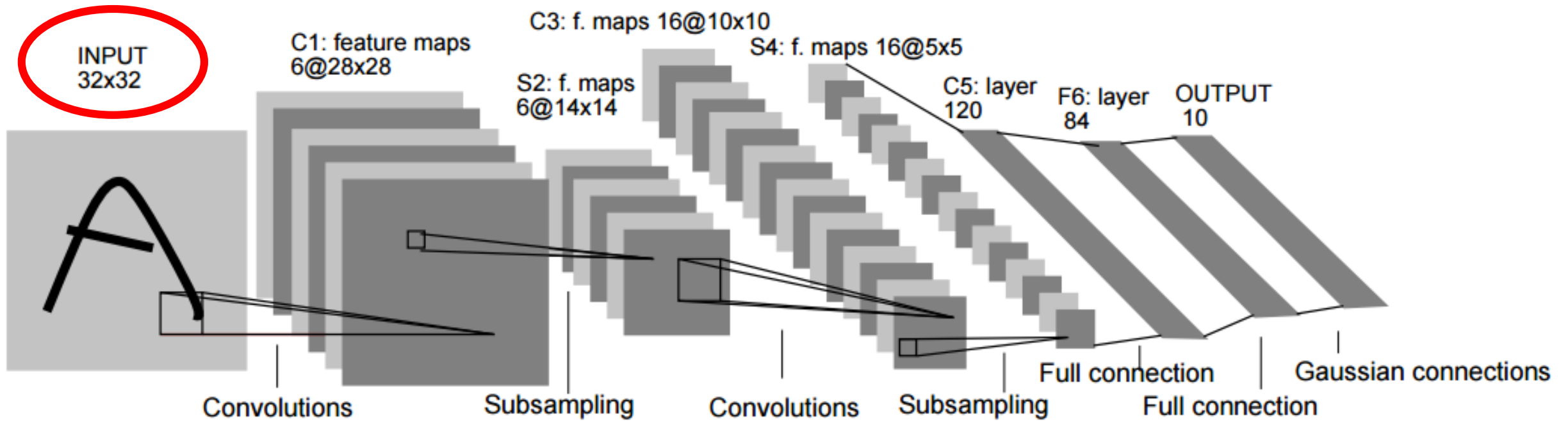


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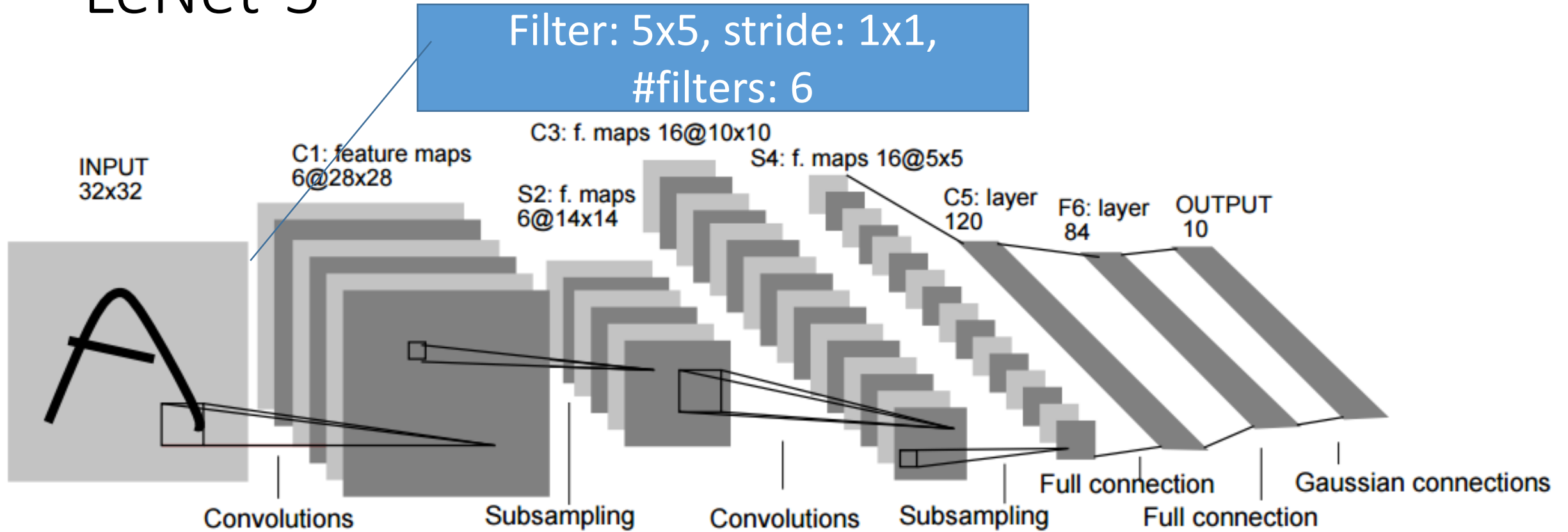


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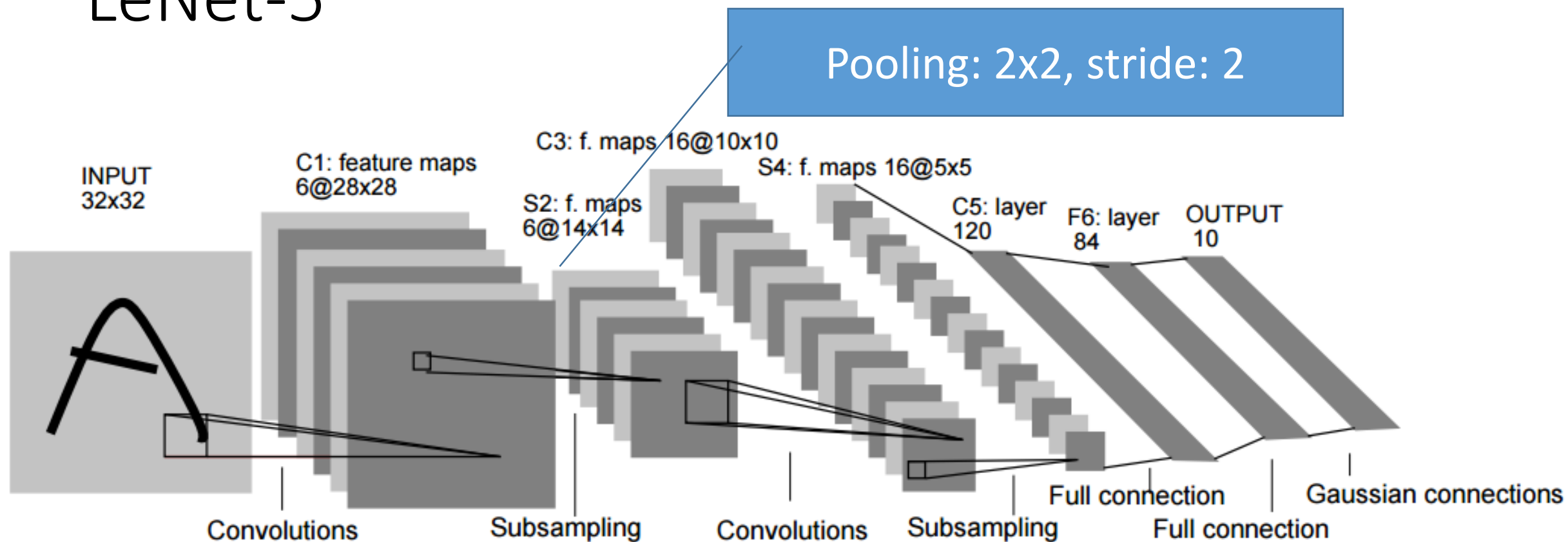


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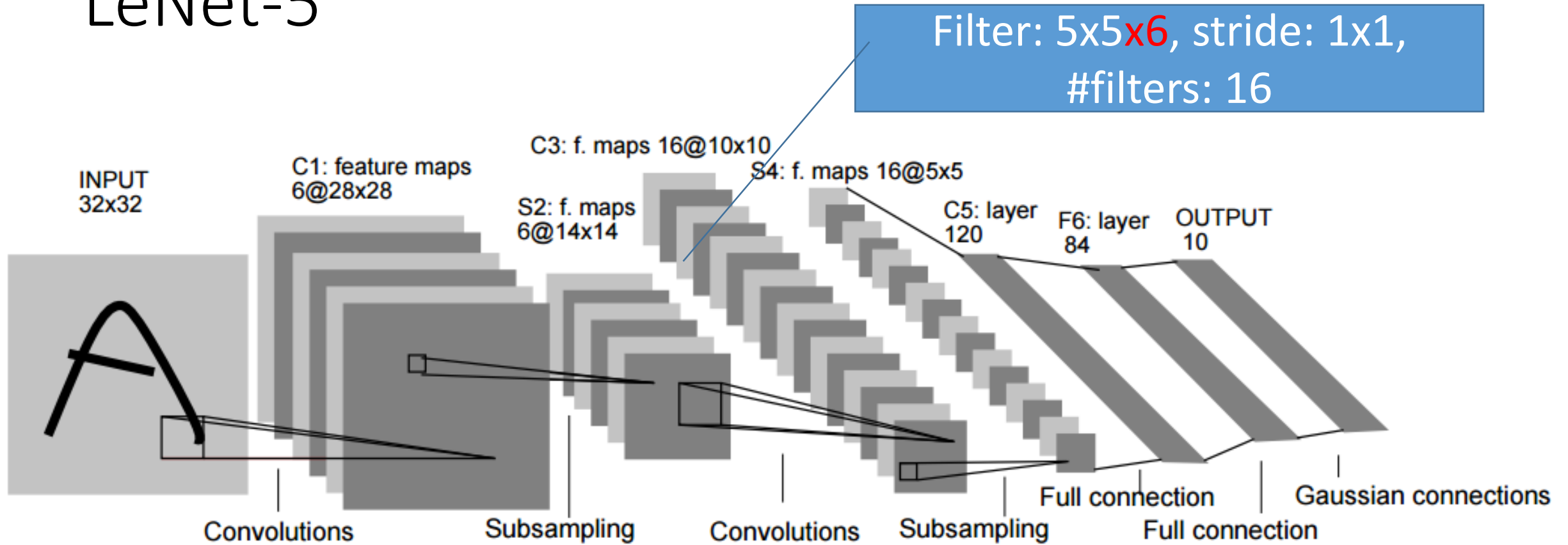


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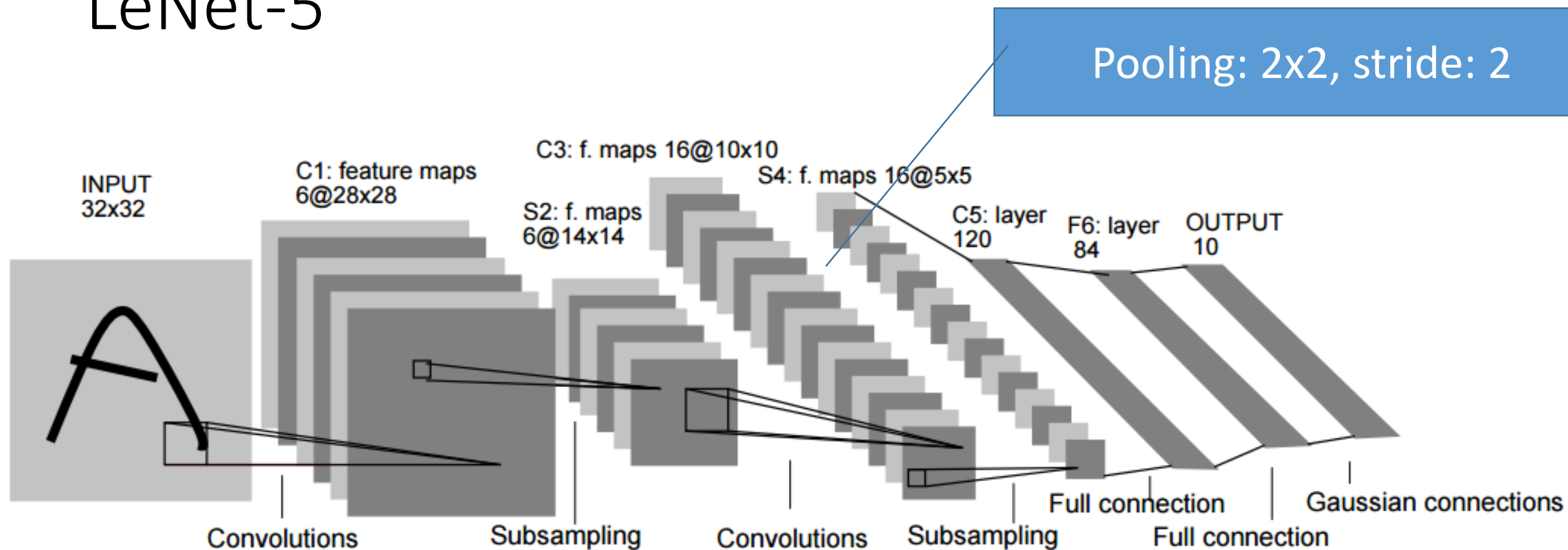


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Weight matrix: 400x120

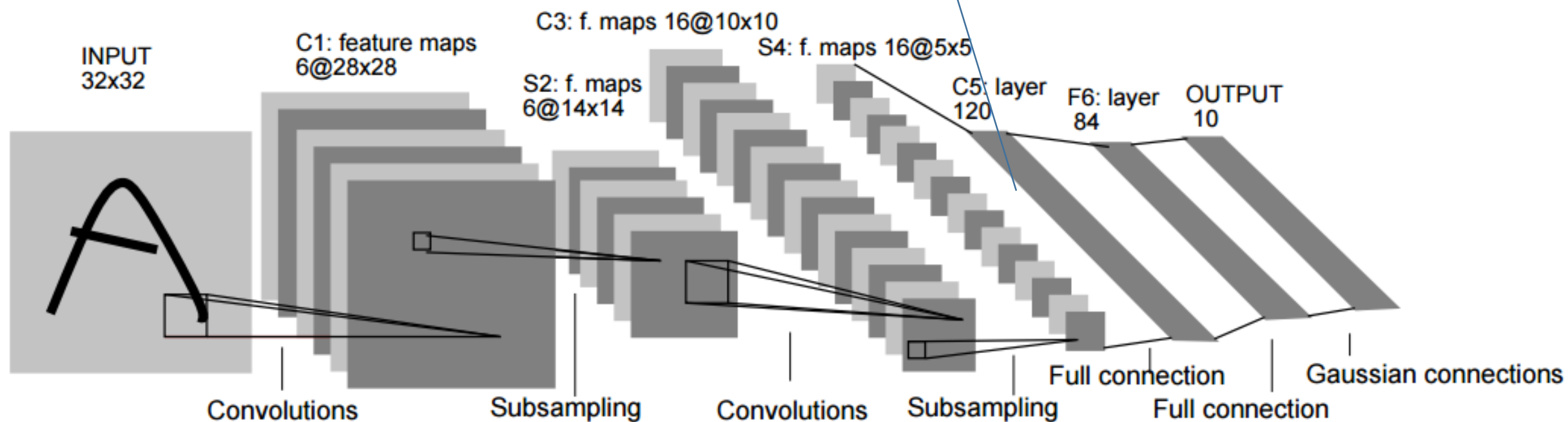


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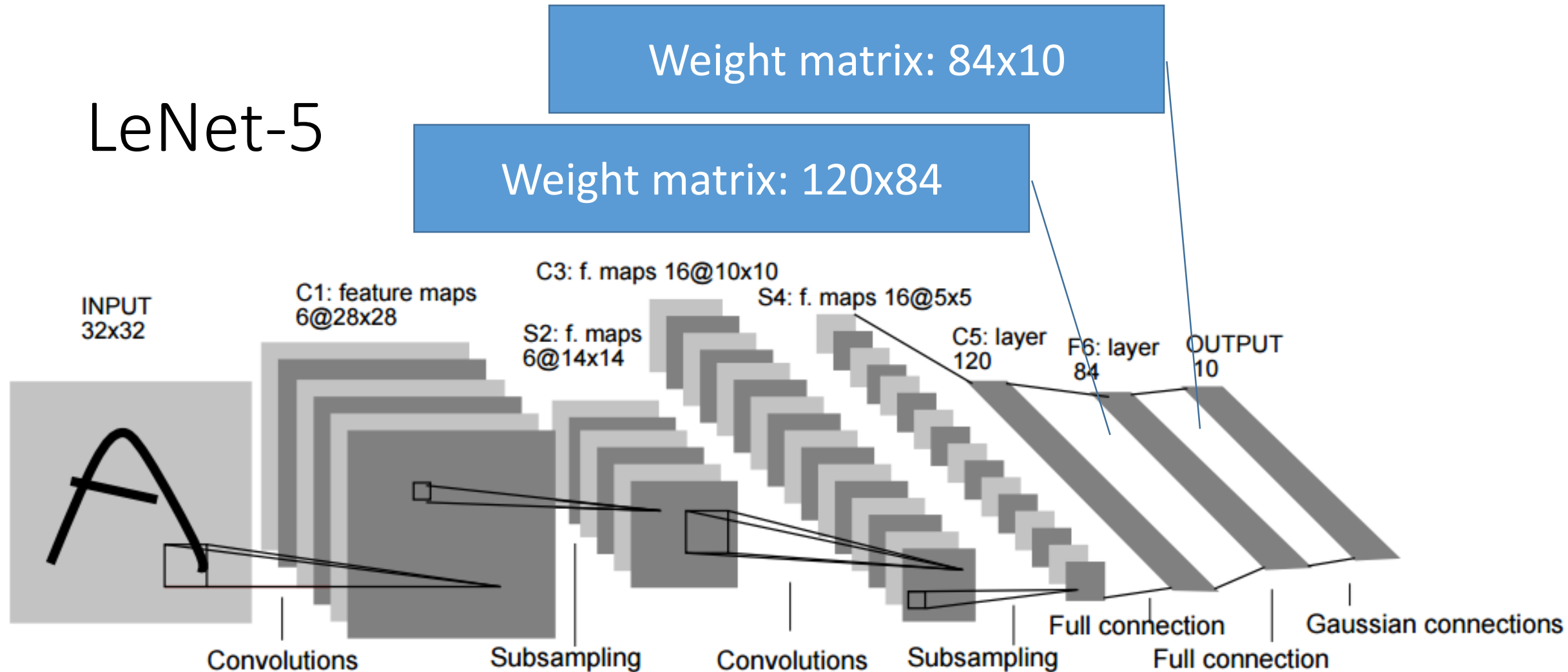


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