

Introduction to Deep Learning and Transfer Learning

Optimizing AI - Session 1



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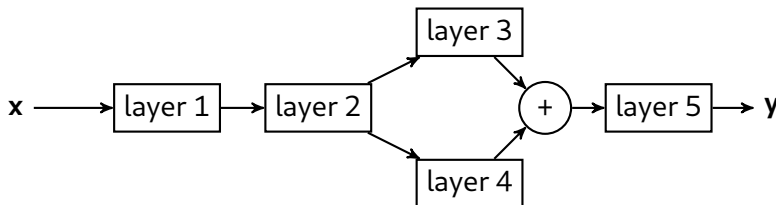
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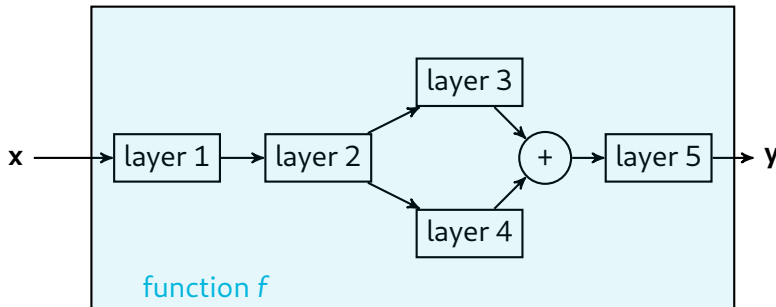
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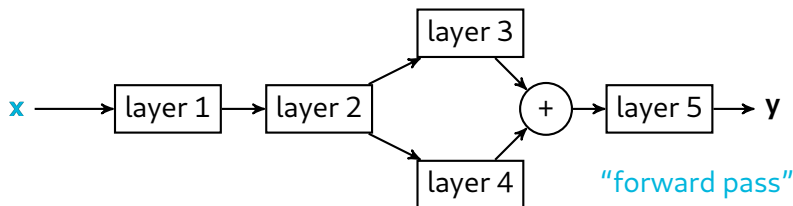
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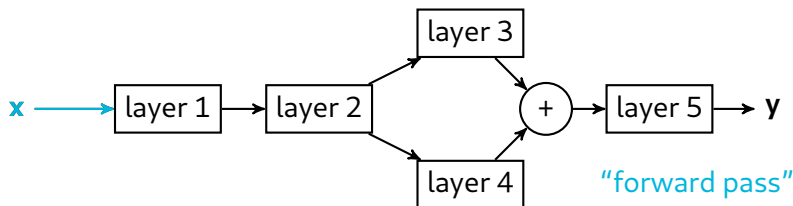
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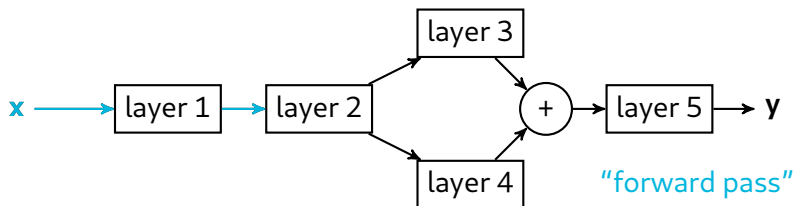
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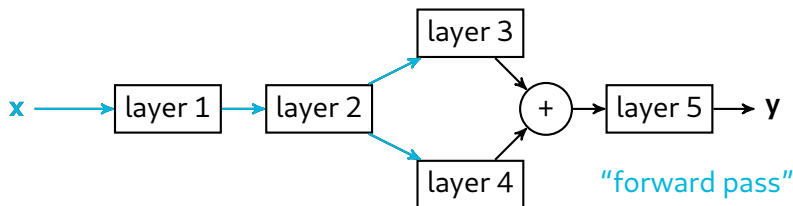
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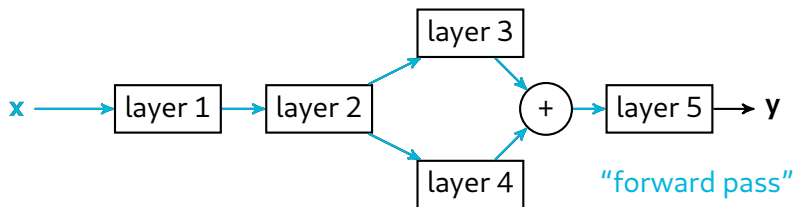
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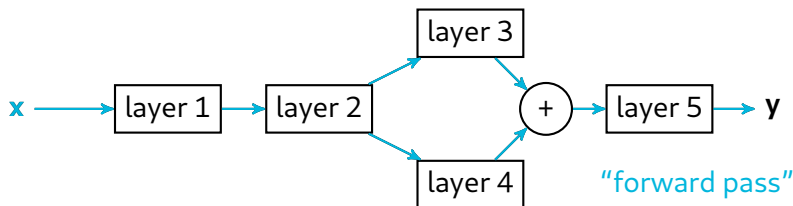
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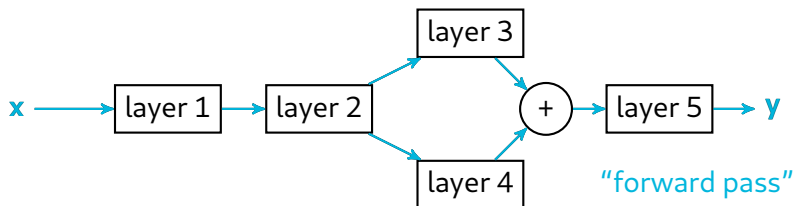
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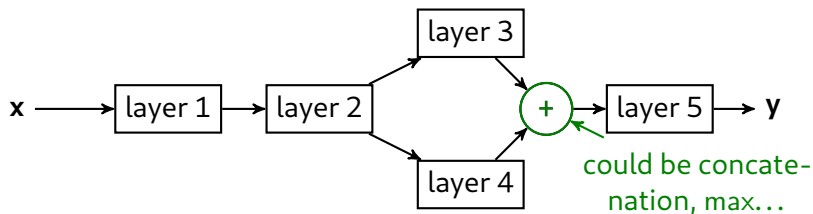
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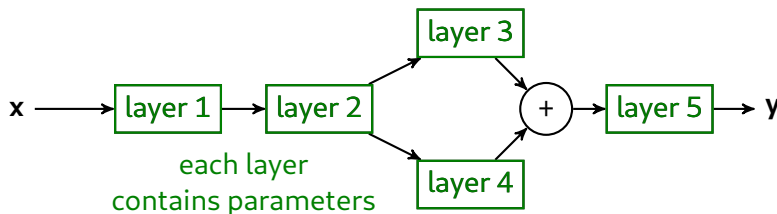
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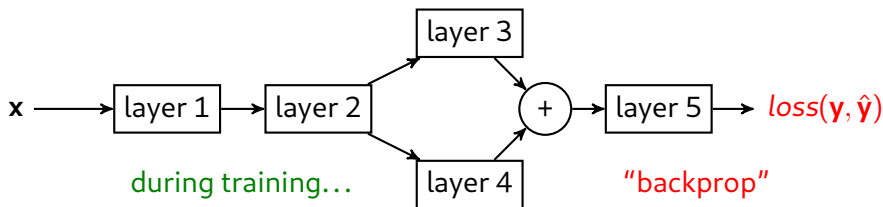
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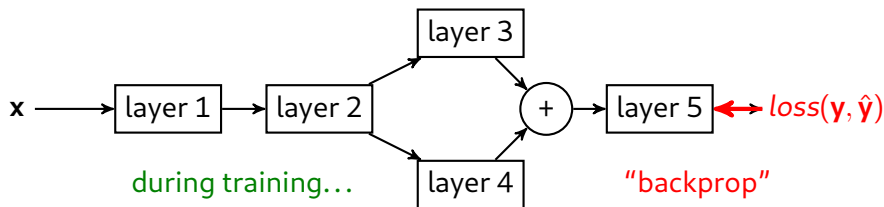
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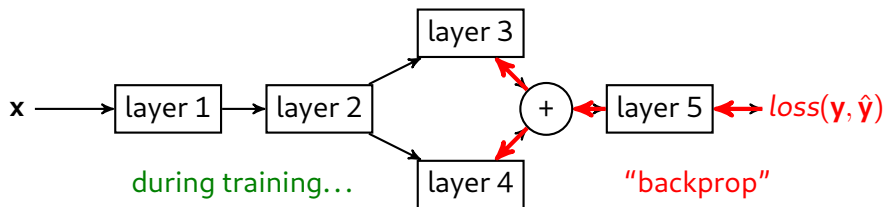
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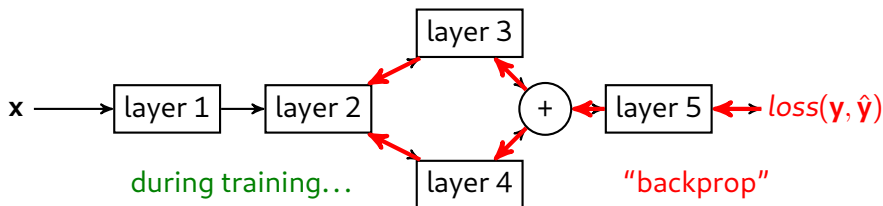
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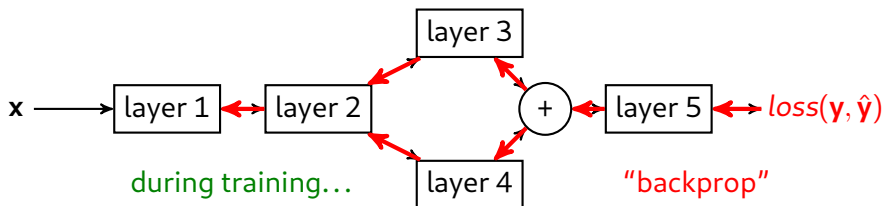
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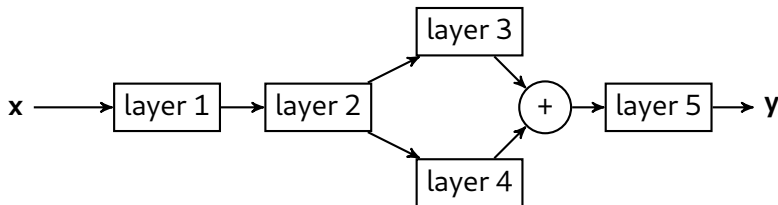
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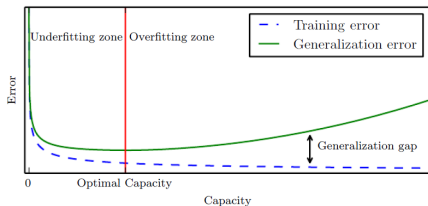
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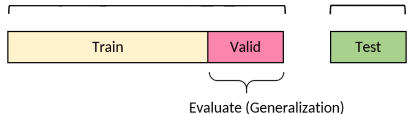
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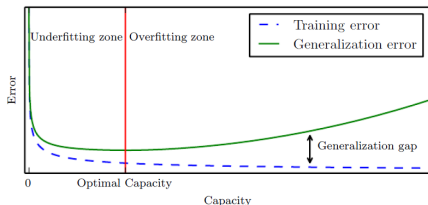
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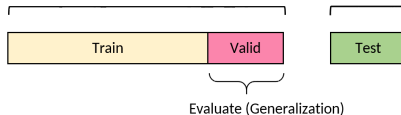
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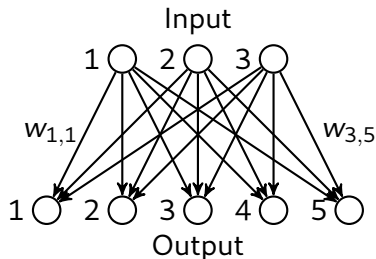
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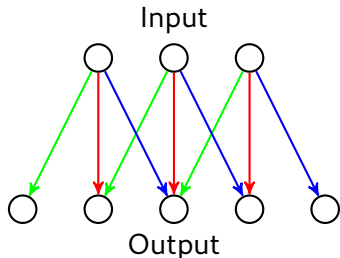
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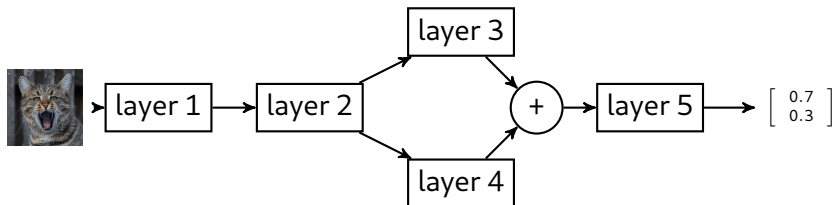
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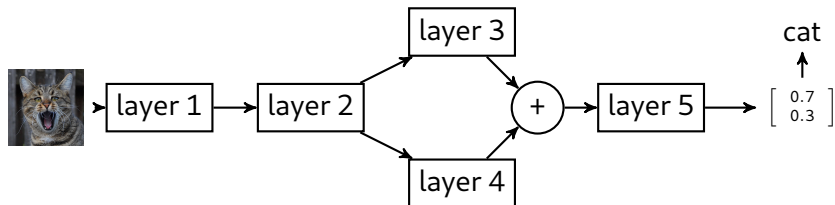
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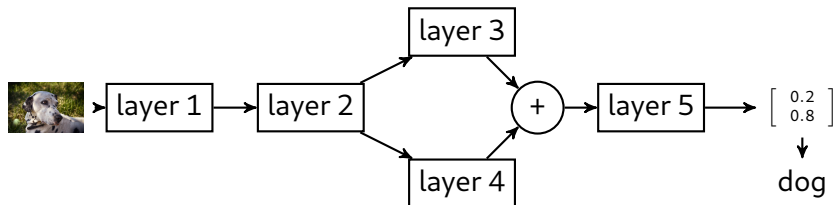
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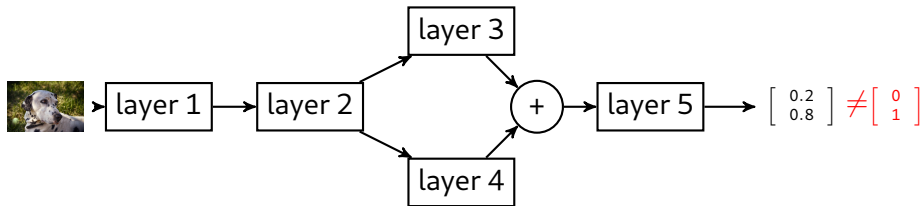
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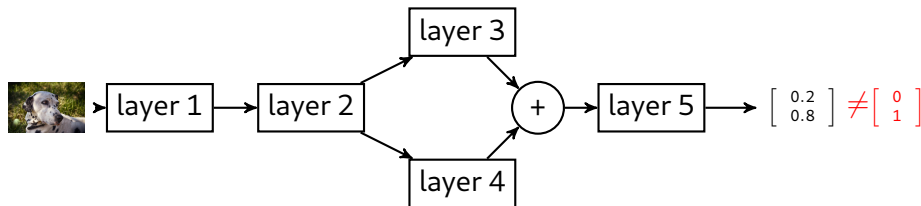
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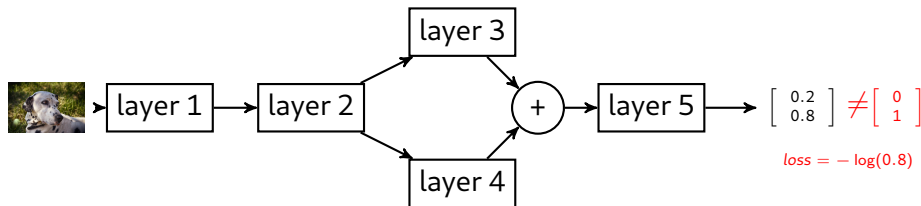
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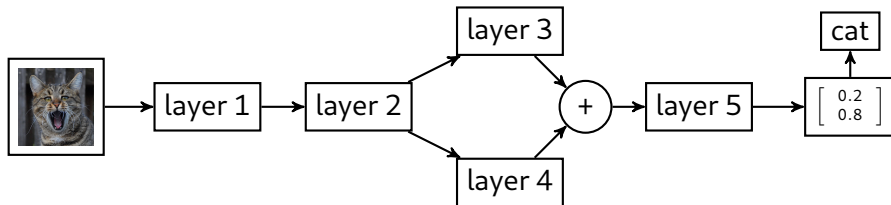
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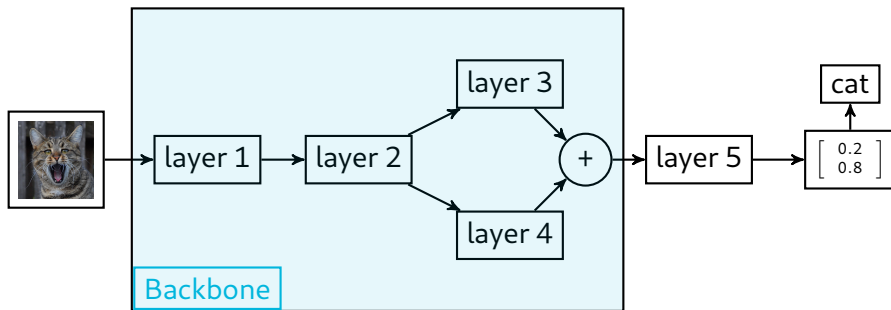


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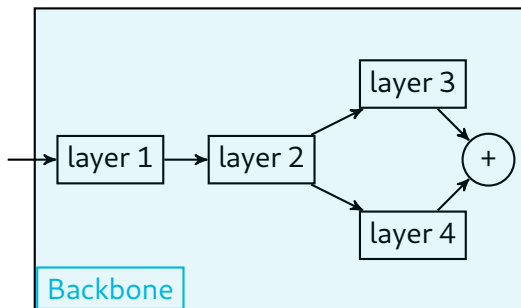


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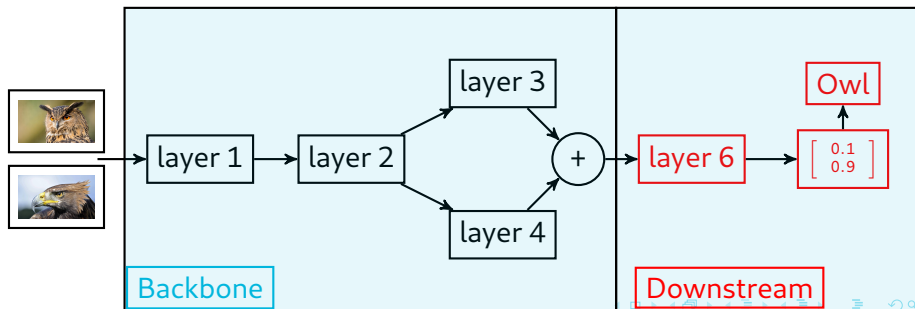


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- Train a full DL model from scratch
- Train a small model using transfer learning

Project 1 (oral presentation)

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You have to prepare a 10 minutes (+5 min Q&A) presentation for session 2, in which you explain :

- Description of the architecture
- Hyperparameter search and results
- Study the compromise between architecture size, performance and training time.