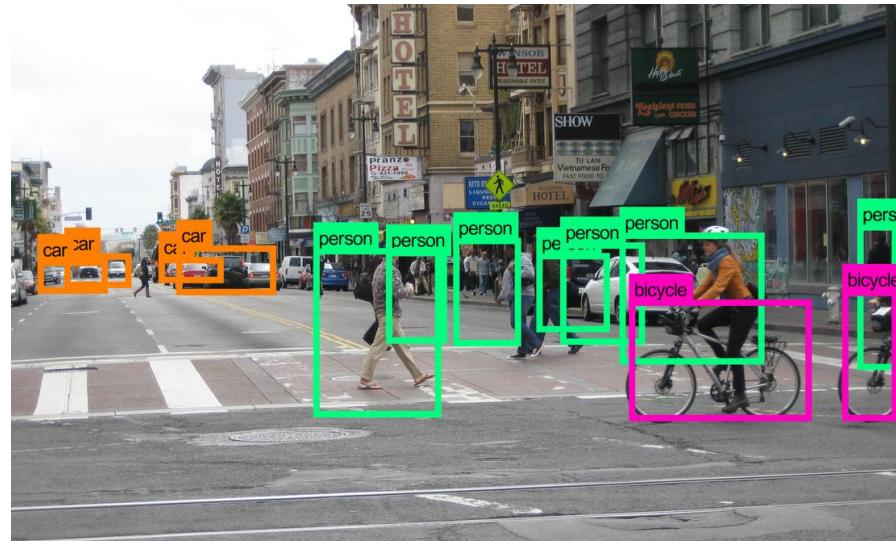


Identification of endangered animals using CV

Identification of Problem

The identification of objects is one of the most common applications in Computer Vision, which is being extensively applied for:

- Detection
- Classification



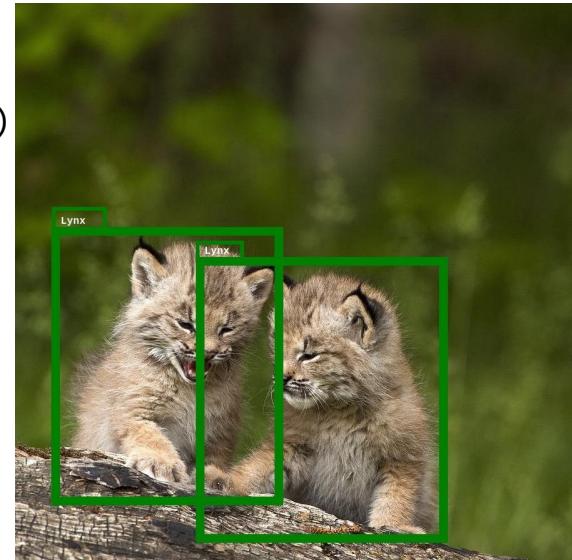
Application: Conservation of Endangered Animals

Challenges

- Need manual effort of experts
- Installation of Technologies (camera trap, drones)
- Difficult geographical regions

Modern CV techniques as a solution

- to increase the capacity to
in different contexts



Understanding our Data (Platypus)

Mammal

Australian

Land & Water



Since it shares similar features to other animals, there are higher chances that it can be misclassified as other animals.

Research Challenges of This Problem



1. Land/Water environment

Research Challenges of This Problem (Cont'd)



1. Land/Water environment



2. Different shapes

Research Challenges of This Problem (Cont'd)



1. Land/Water environment



2. Different shapes



3. Nocturnal behaviour

Research Challenges of This Problem



1. Land/Water environment



2. Different shapes



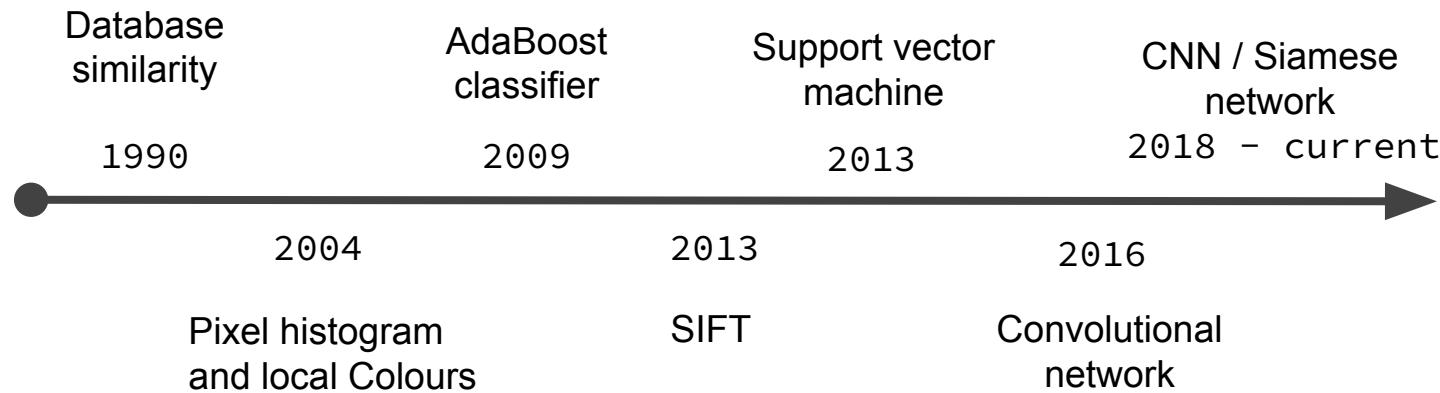
3. Nocturnal behaviour



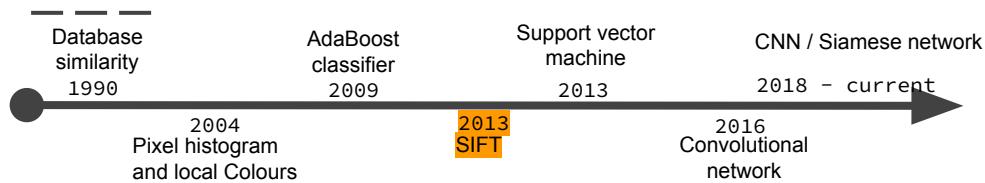
4. Poses

Literature Review

Past, present and future approaches using computer vision for animal identification from camera trap data.



Past Research in Animal Identification



Endangered Animal: Manta Ray

Methodology: SIFT

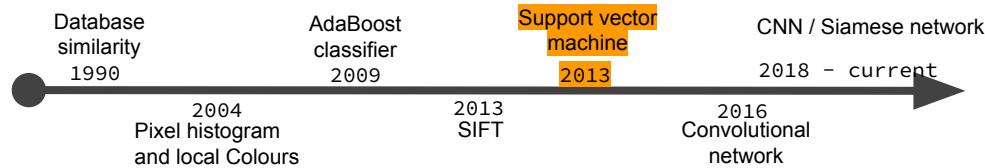
Test size : 720

Num. classes: 265

Top-1 accuracy (%): 51.0



Past Research in Animal Identification (cont'd)



Endangered Animal: Support vector machine

Methodology: Support vector machine

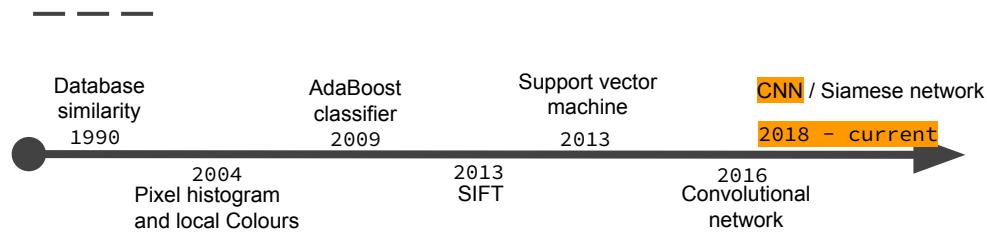
Test size : 2,078

Num. classes: 276

Top-1 accuracy (%): 59.0



Past Research in Animal Identification



Endangered Animal: Chimpanzee (C-Tai)

Methodology: Convolutional network

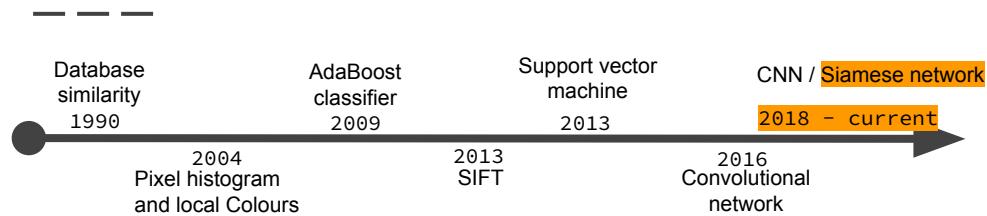
Test size : 1,146

Num. classes: 286

Top-1 accuracy (%): 75.7



Past Research in Animal Identification (cont'd)



Endangered Animal: Golden Monkey

Methodology: Siamese network

Test size : 241 videos

Num. classes: 49

Top-1 accuracy (%): 75.8



Traditional ML method: Bag of SIFT Feature Method

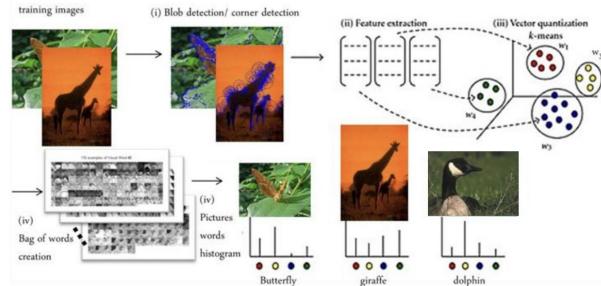


Figure 2. Animal recognition using BoF model training stages

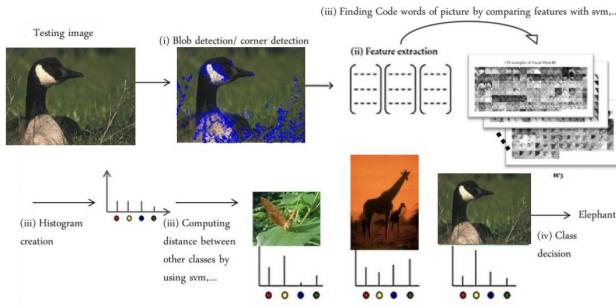


Figure 4. Animal recognition using BoF model testing stages

Evaluating classification strategies in Bag of SIFT Feature method for Animal Recognition

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Abstract: These days automatic image annotation is an important topic and several efforts are made to solve the semantic gap problem which is still an open issue. Also, Content Based Image Retrieval (CBIR) cannot solve this problem. One of the efficient and effective models for solving the semantic gap and visual recognition and retrieval is Bag Of Feature (BoF) model which can quantize local visual features like SIFT perfectly. In this paper we investigated the potential usage of Bag of SIFT Feature in animal recognition. Also, we specified which classification method is better for animal pictures.

Keywords: Bag of Feature, SIFT feature, feature quantization, Content Based Image Retrieval (CBIR), image annotation, Support Vector Machines (SVM).

1. Introduction

In Content Based Image Retrieval (CBIR) [1], proposed in the early 1990s, images are automatically indexed by extracting their different low level features such as texture, color and shape. Semantic gap is a well-known problem among Content Based Image Retrieval (CBIR) systems. This

The rest of this paper is structured as follows. In Section 2, we review some related works in this area. Section 3 presents our experiment. A discussion about the experimental results and the usefulness of BoW model for animal recognition is presented in Section 4. The paper is concluded and some future works are suggested in Section 5.

2. Related works

At the starting point of BoF methodology we must identify local interest regions or points. Then we can extract features from these points, both of which described in the following section

2.1 Interest Point Detection

There are several distinguished methods which are listed below [5]

(i) Harris-Laplace regions

In this method corners are detected by using Laplacian-of-Gaussian operator in scale-space.

Training Steps

Input image



Also for non-platypus images



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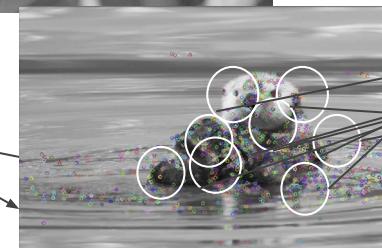
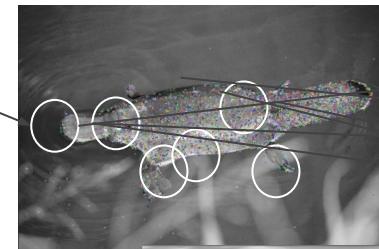
Training Step 1: Feature Extraction

— SIFT: get keypoints, descriptors

Train images

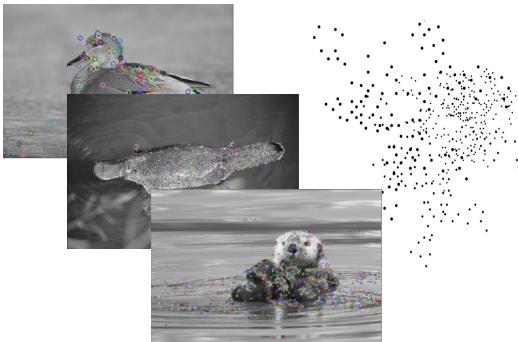


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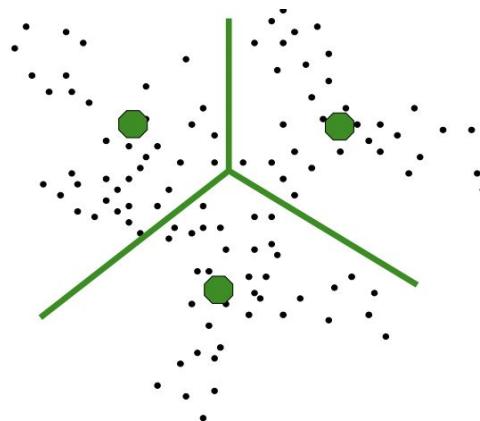


Training Step 2: Quantization of Feature Space

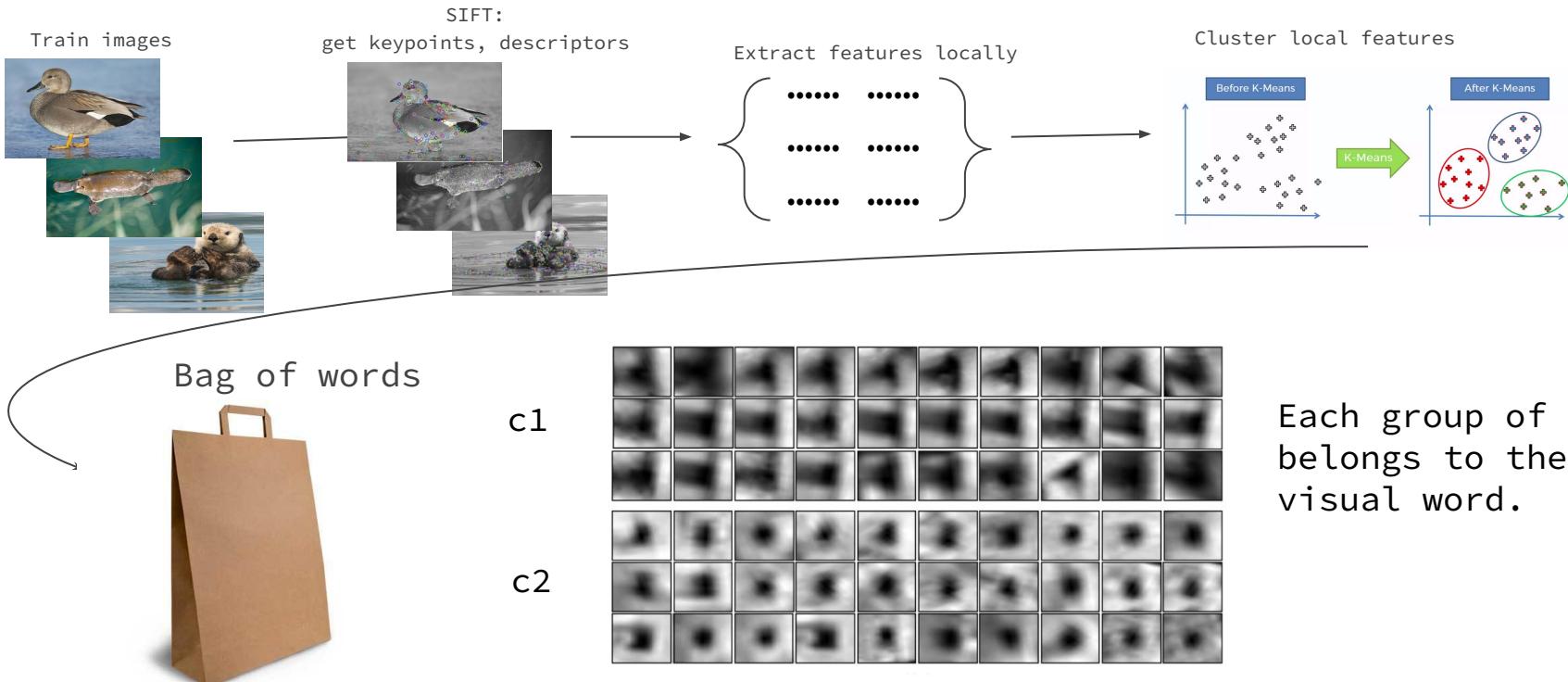
SIFT: get keypoints, descriptors



The centre of each cluster is used as a visual word by using **K-means**



Training Step 3: Bag of words (BoW)

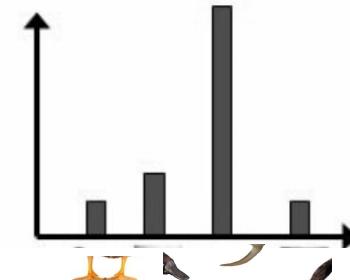
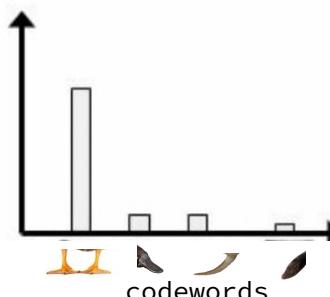
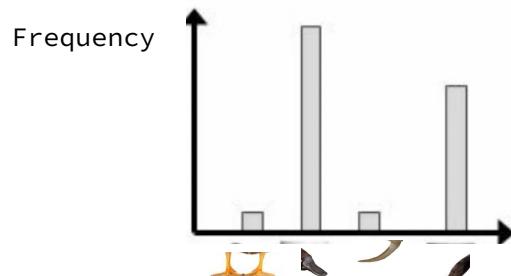


Bag of words (BoW)

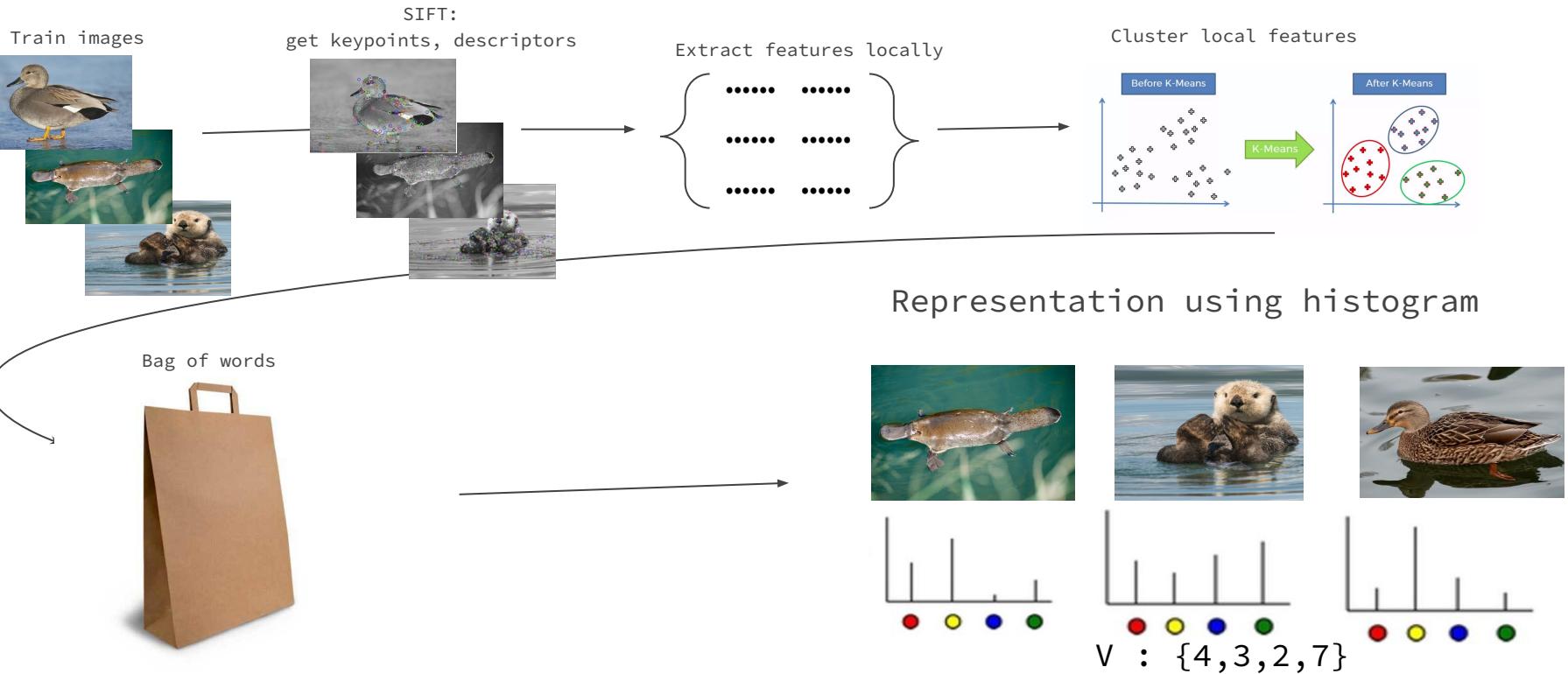
Conceptual object



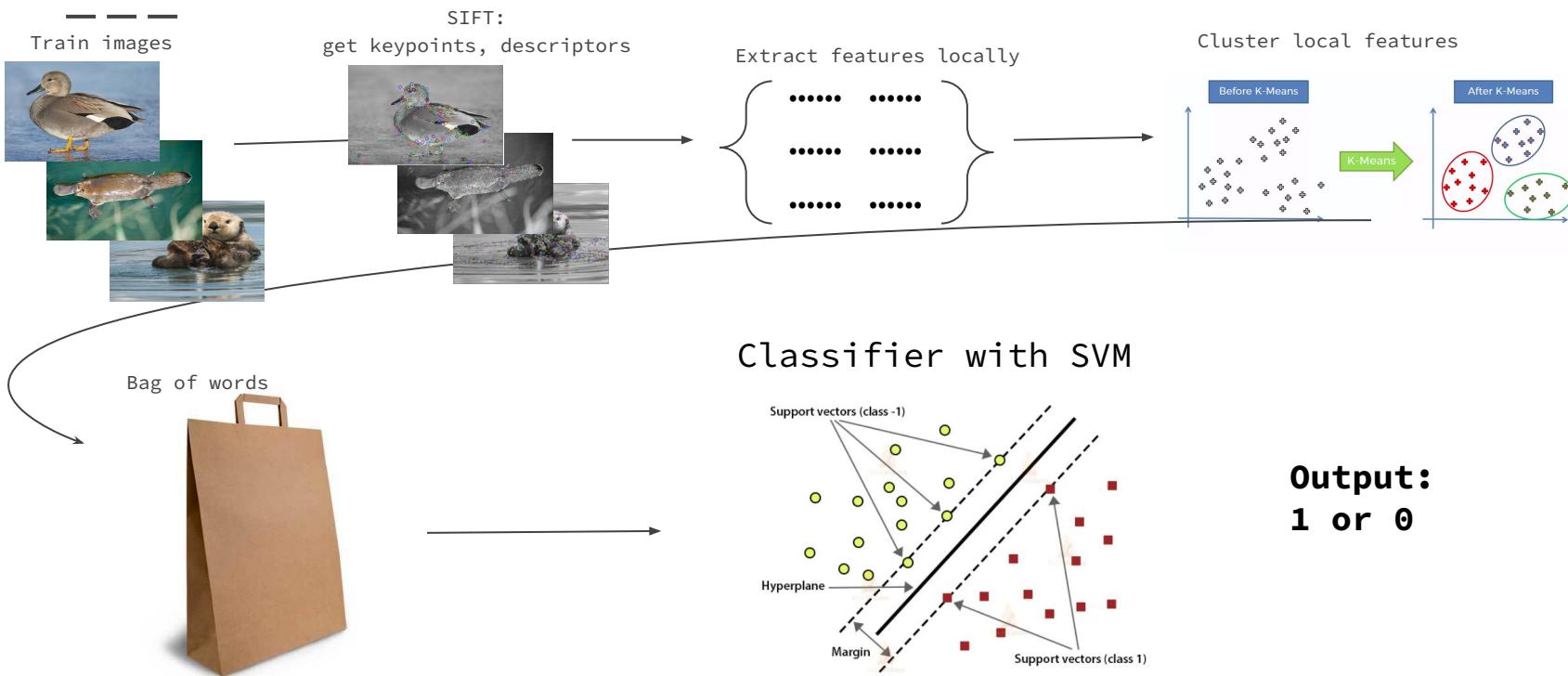
Histogram of visual words



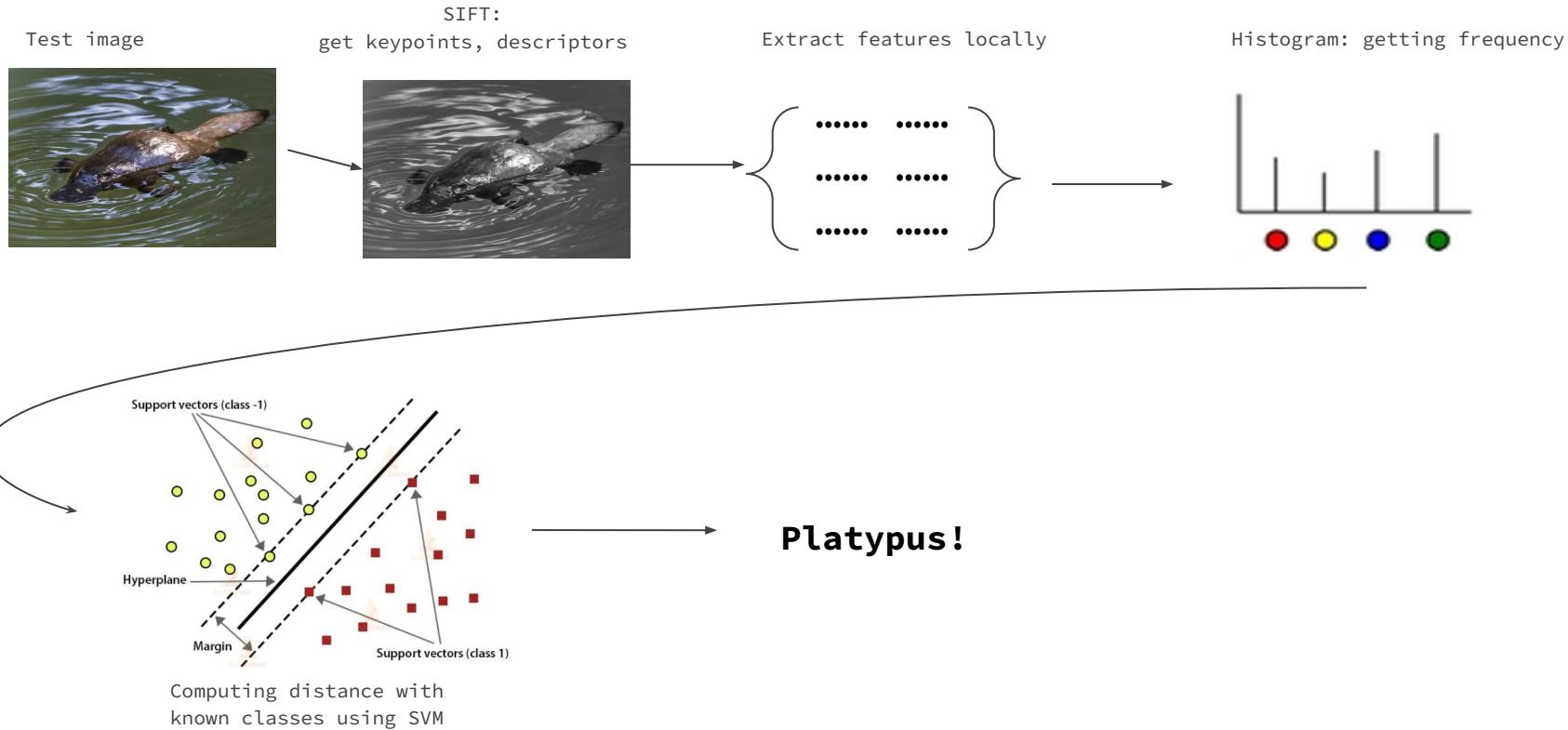
Training Step 3: Bag of words (BoW)



Training Step 4: Classification



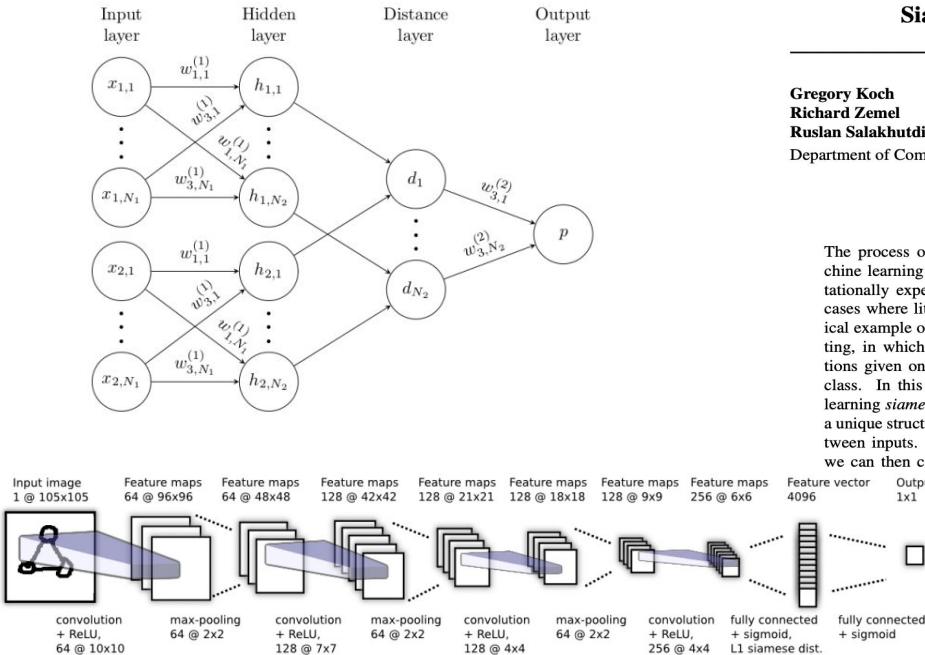
Prediction Steps



Modern ML method: Siamese Network

Siamese Neural Network (SNN) is a class of neural network architectures that contain two or more identical sub-networks.

Siamese Neural Networks for One-shot Image Recognition



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Abstract

The process of learning good features for machine learning applications can be very computationally expensive and may prove difficult in cases where little data is available. A prototypical example of this is the *one-shot learning* setting, in which we must correctly make predictions given only a single example of each new class. In this paper, we explore a method for learning *siamese neural networks* which employ a unique structure to naturally rank similarity between inputs. Once a network has been tuned, we can then capitalize on powerful discriminative

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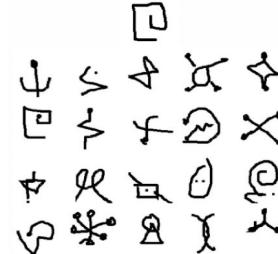


Figure 1. Example of a 20-way one-shot classification task using the Omniglot dataset. The lone test image is shown above the grid of 20 images representing the possible unseen classes that we can choose for the test image. These 20 images are our only known

Training data

Not Platypus



⋮



Platypus



⋮



Training data

Positive Samples

(, , 1)

(, , 1)

(, , 1)

Negative Samples

(, , 0)

(, , 0)

(, , 0)

Training Step: Pairwise Inputs

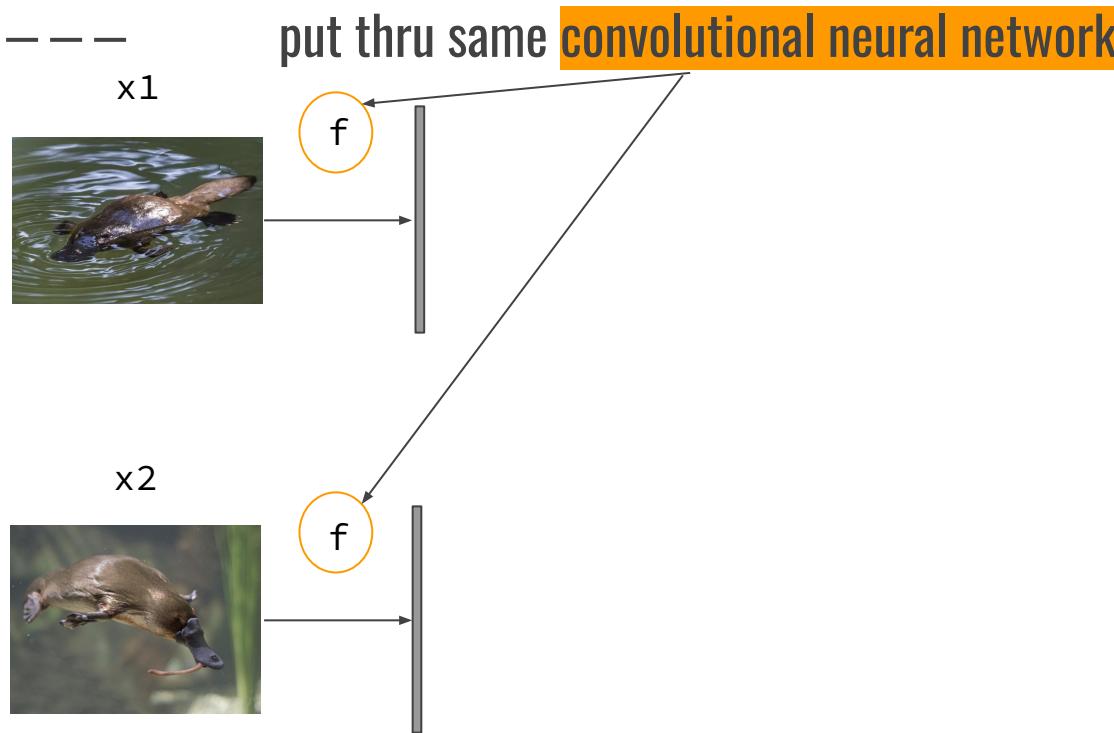
Input 1: x_1



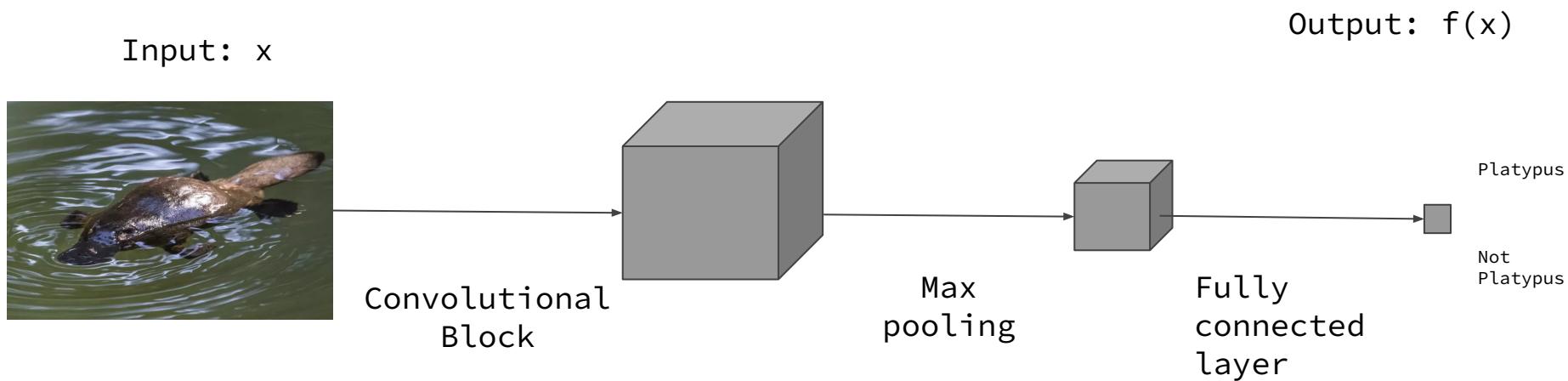
Input 2: x_2



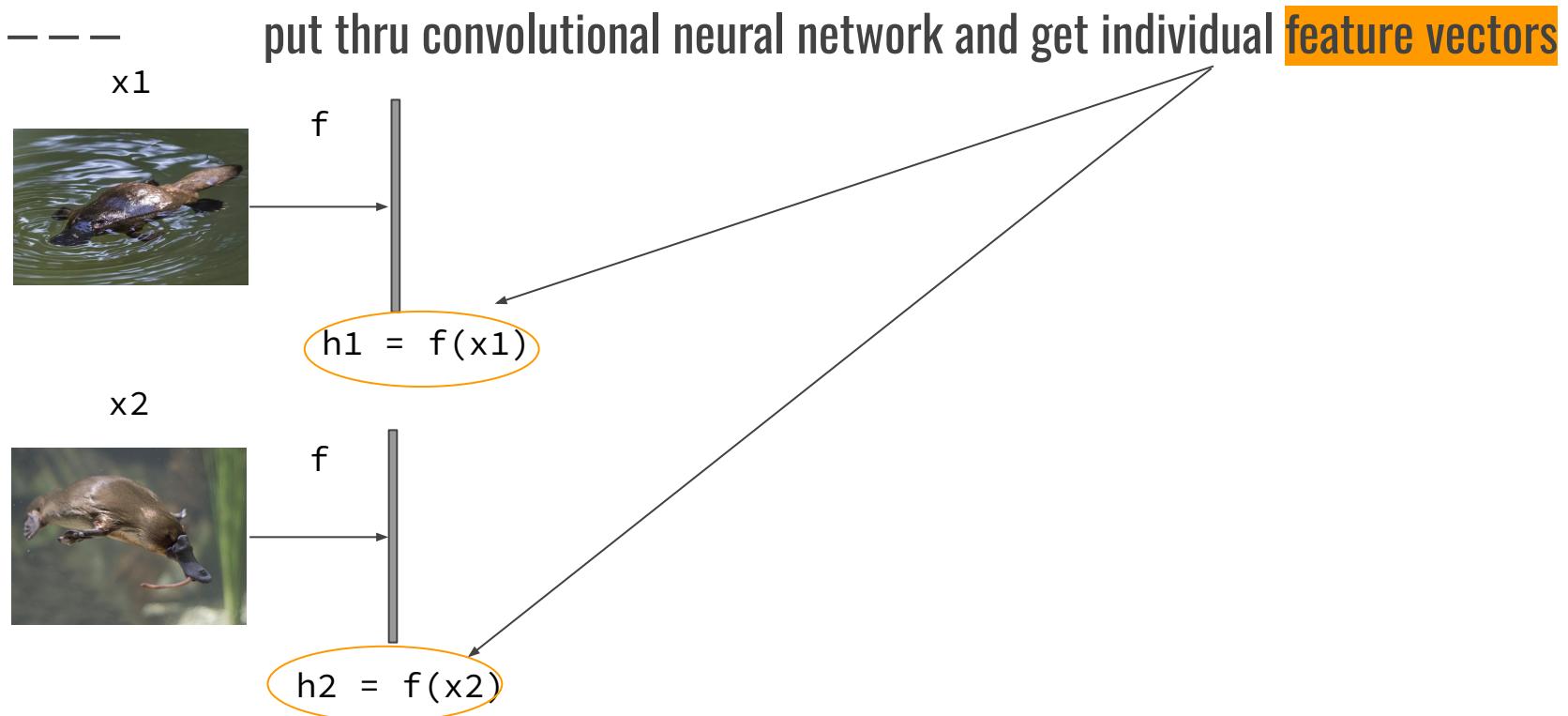
Training Step: Feature Extraction with CNN



Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) for Feature Extraction



Training Step (cont'd)



Training Step (cont'd)

— — — calculate distance between feature vectors

x_1



f

$$h_1 = f(x_1)$$

f

d

x_2

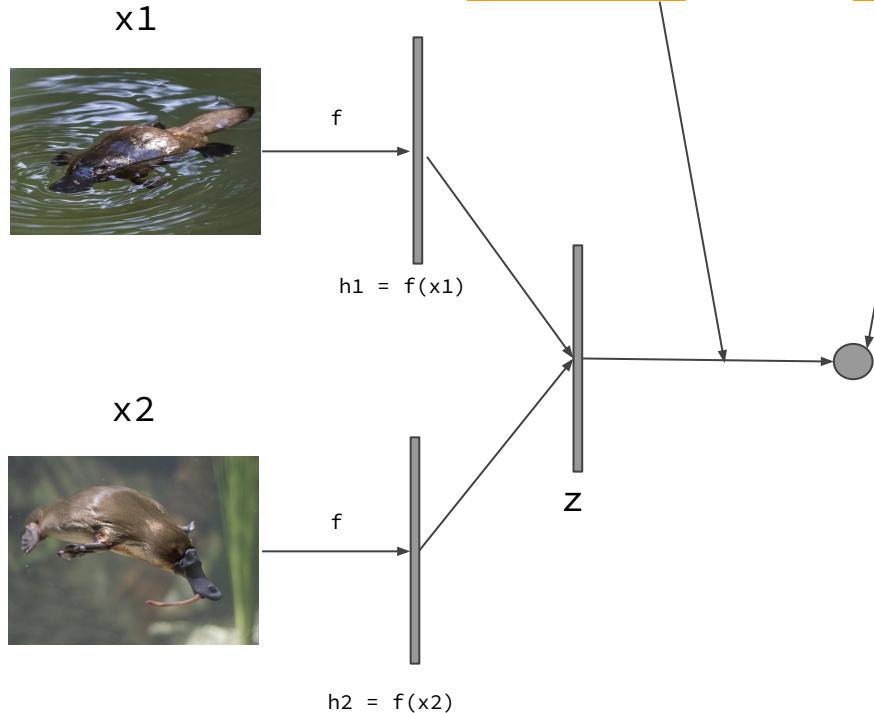


f

$$h_2 = f(x_2)$$

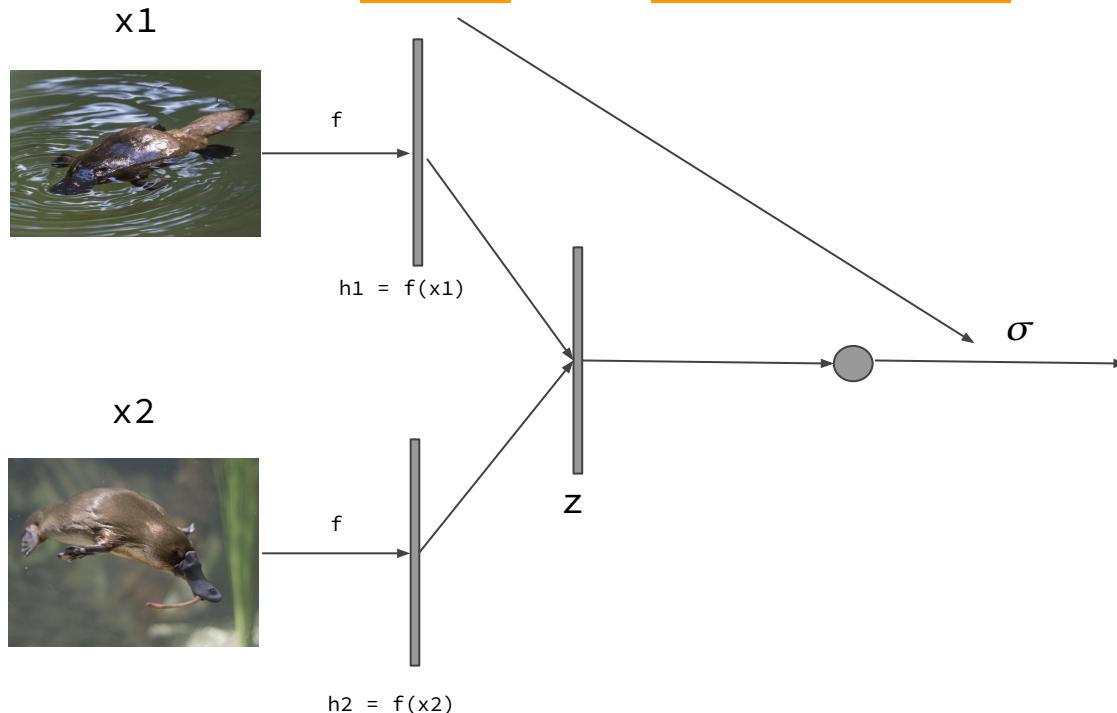
Training Step (cont'd)

— — — pass thru **dense layer** and get **a scalar** from it

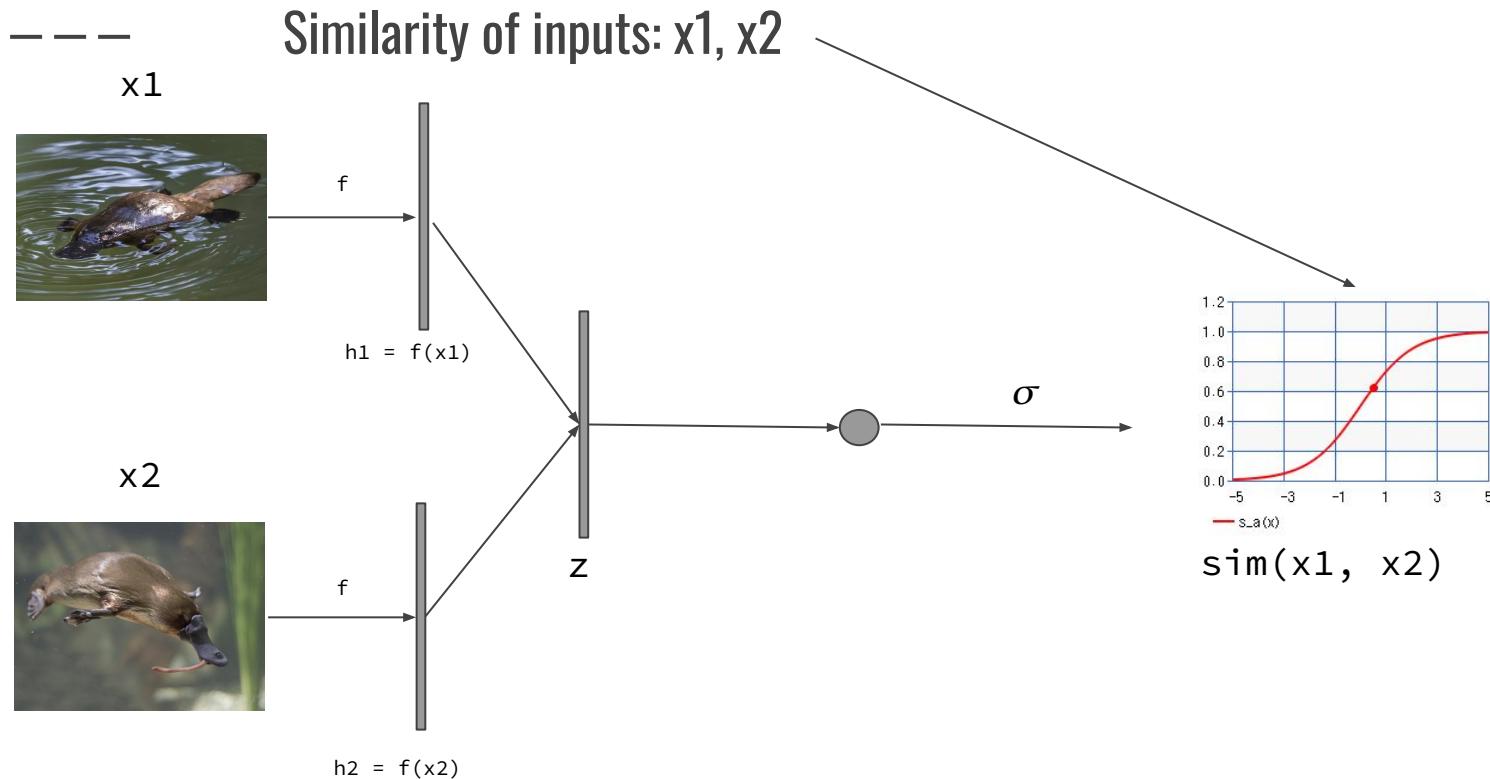


Training Step (cont'd)

— — — Use sigmoid as the activation function

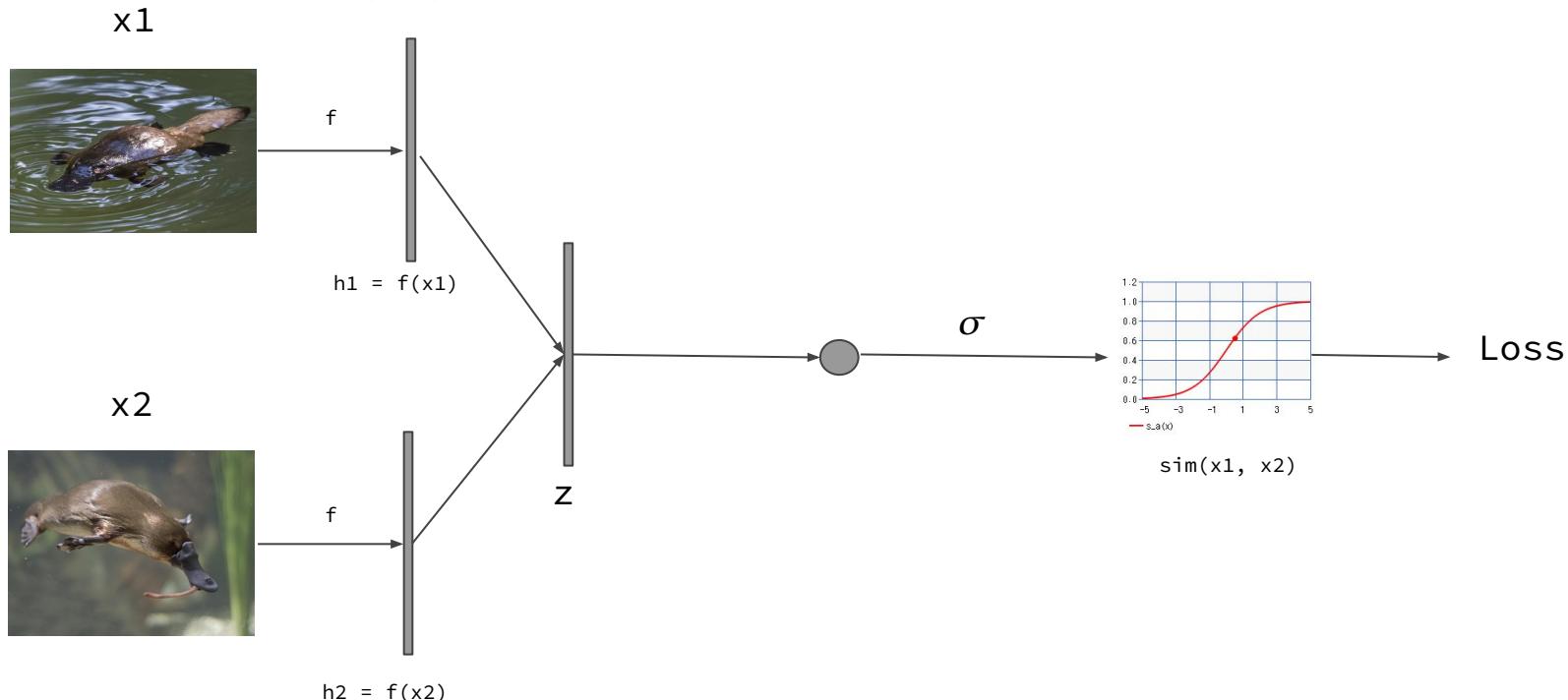


Training Step (cont'd)



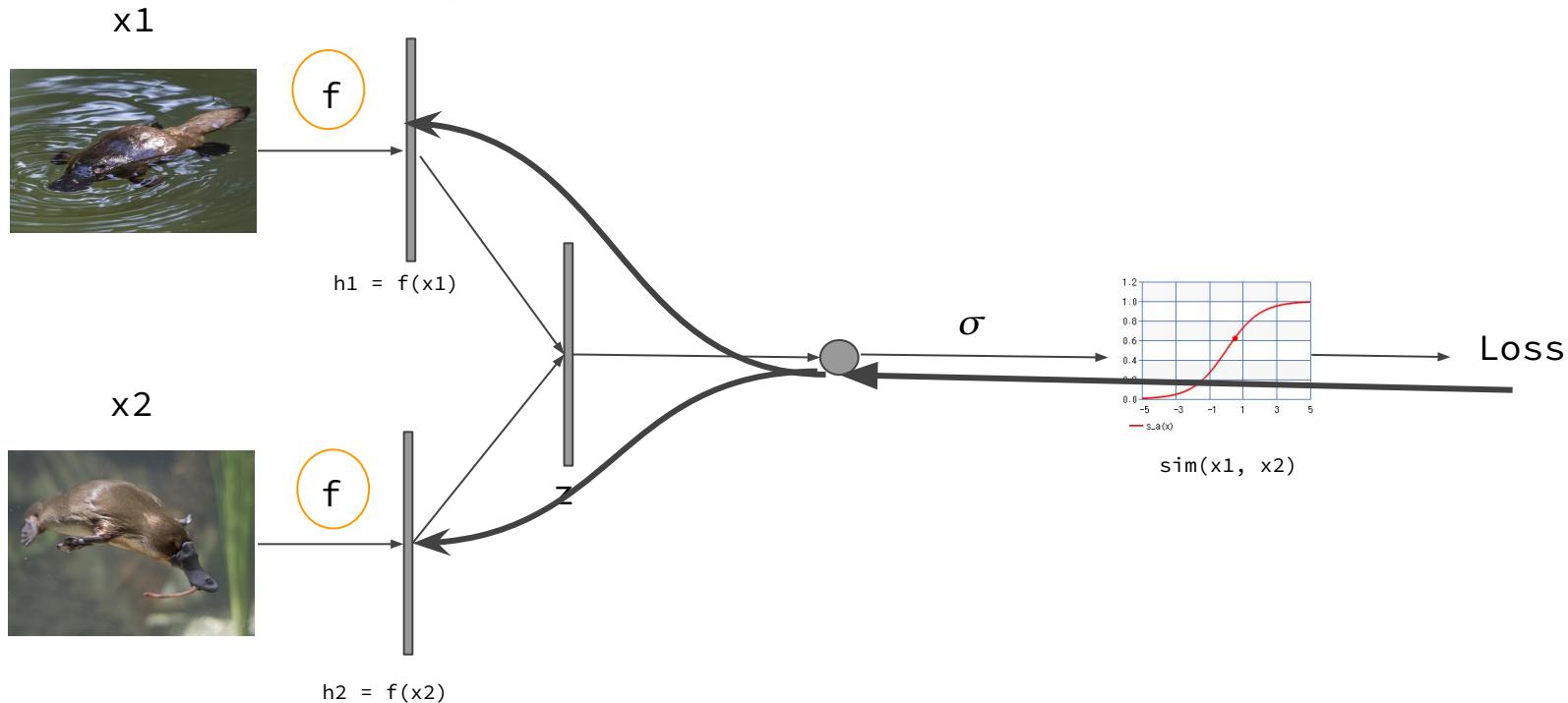
Training Step (cont'd)

Backpropagation using loss function

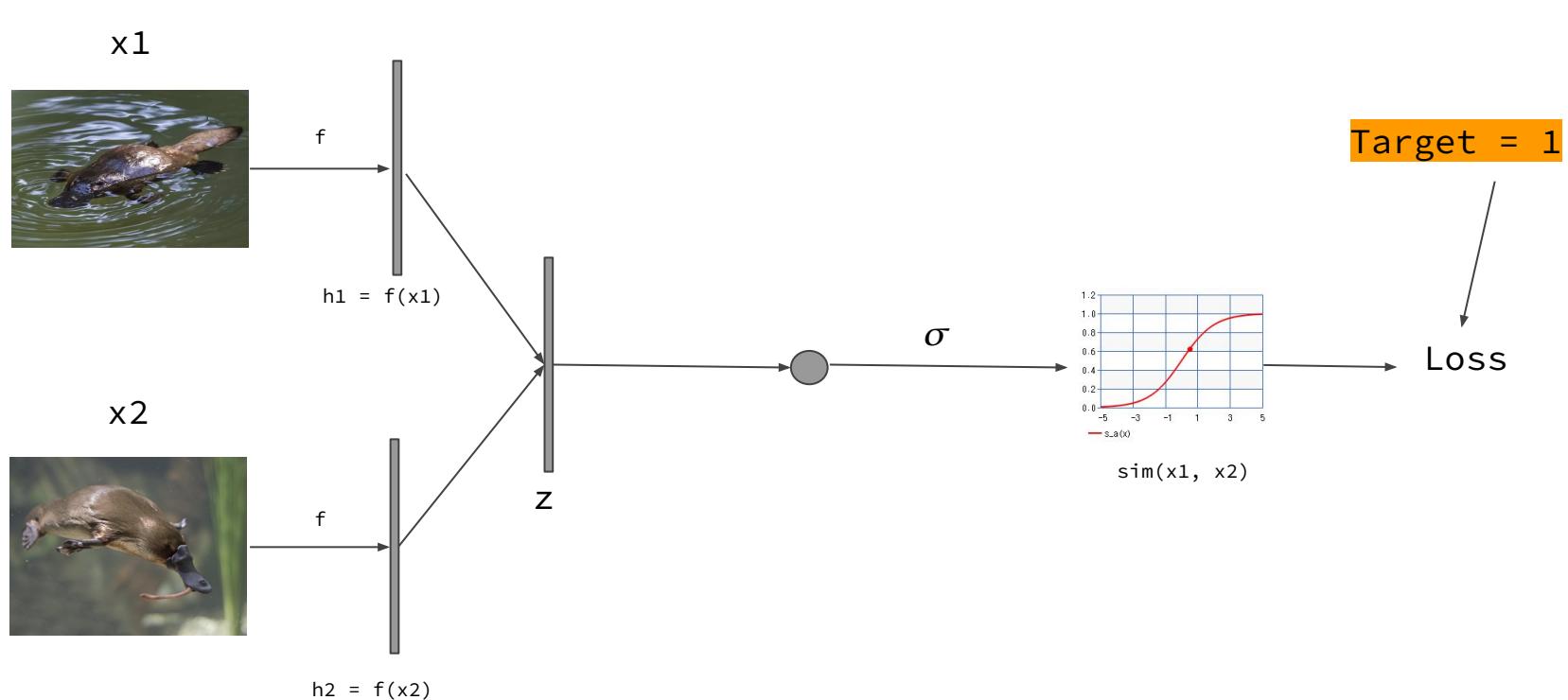


Training Step (cont'd)

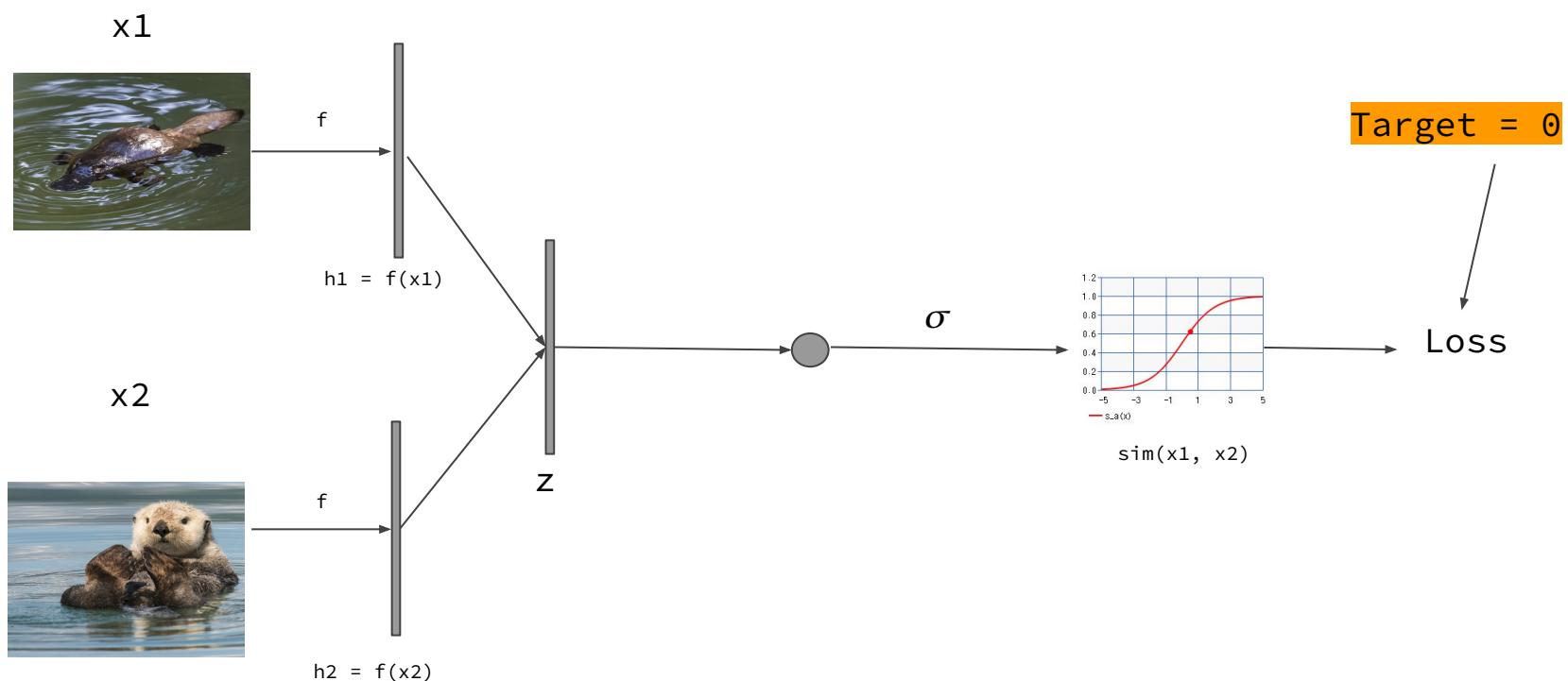
--- Update the parameters by gradient descent



Training Step: Positive Case (cont'd)



Training Step: Negative Case (cont'd)



Prediction Step

Query



?

Sim = 0.2

Not Platypus
(Duck)



Prediction Step (Cont'd)

Query

?



Sim = 0.2

Not Platypus
(Duck)

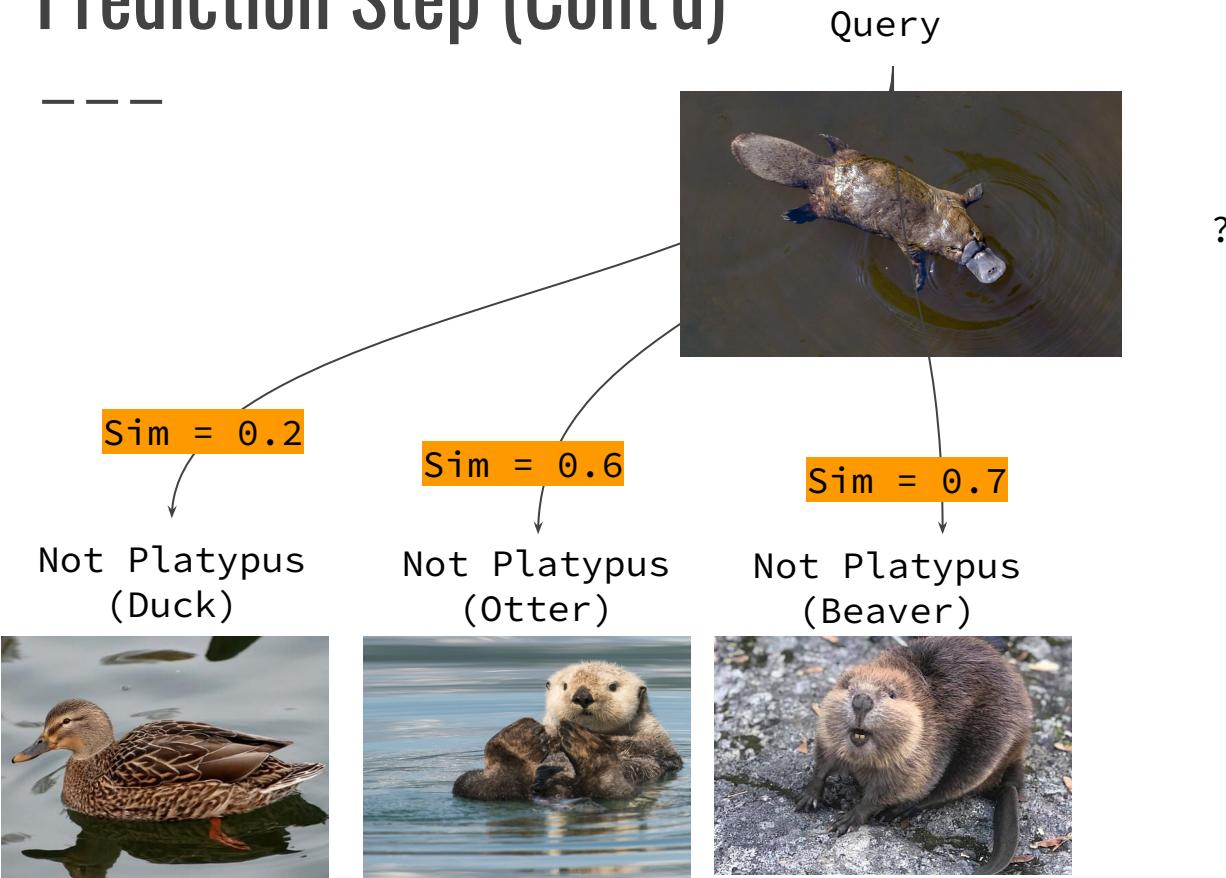


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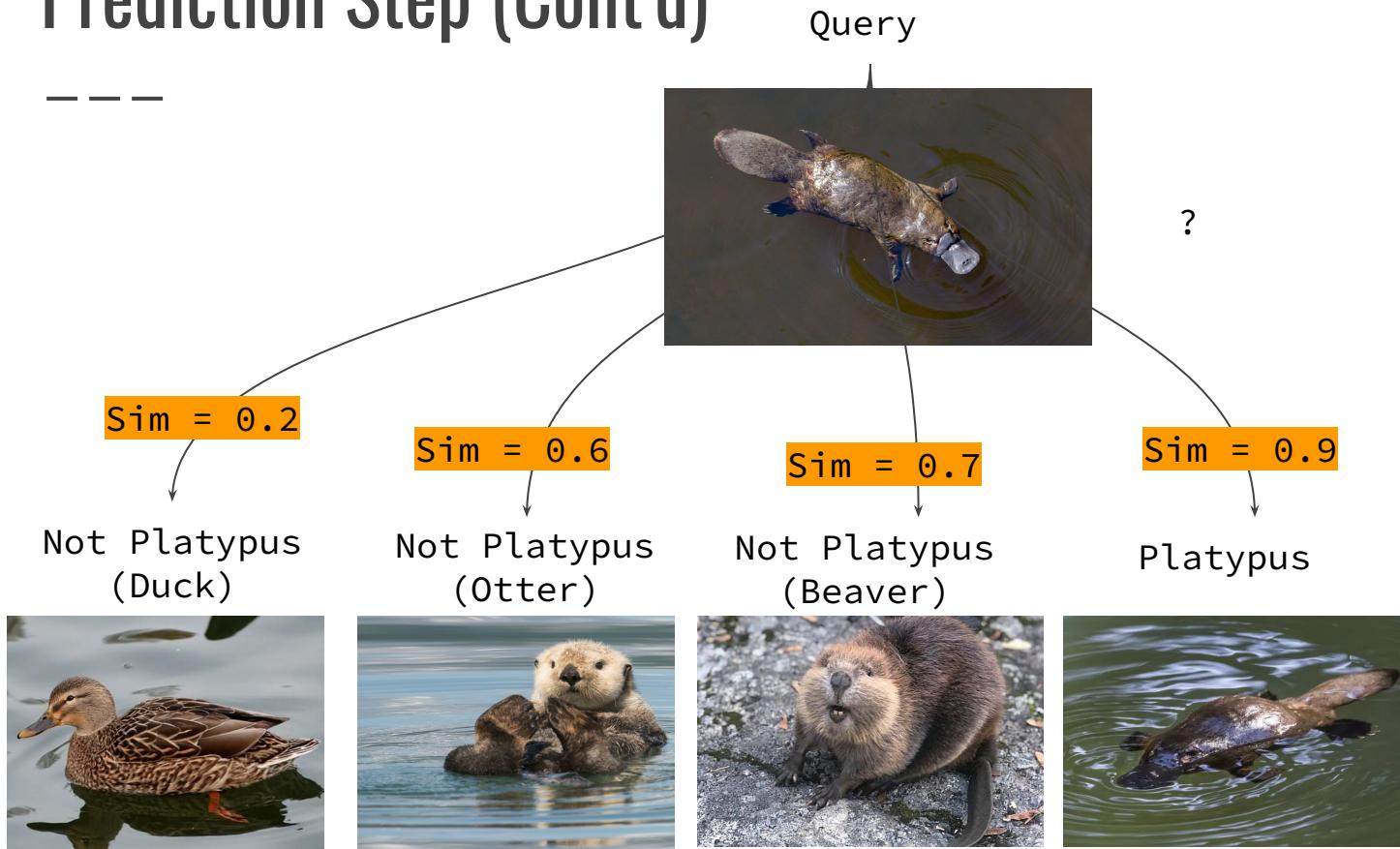
Not Platypus
(Otter)



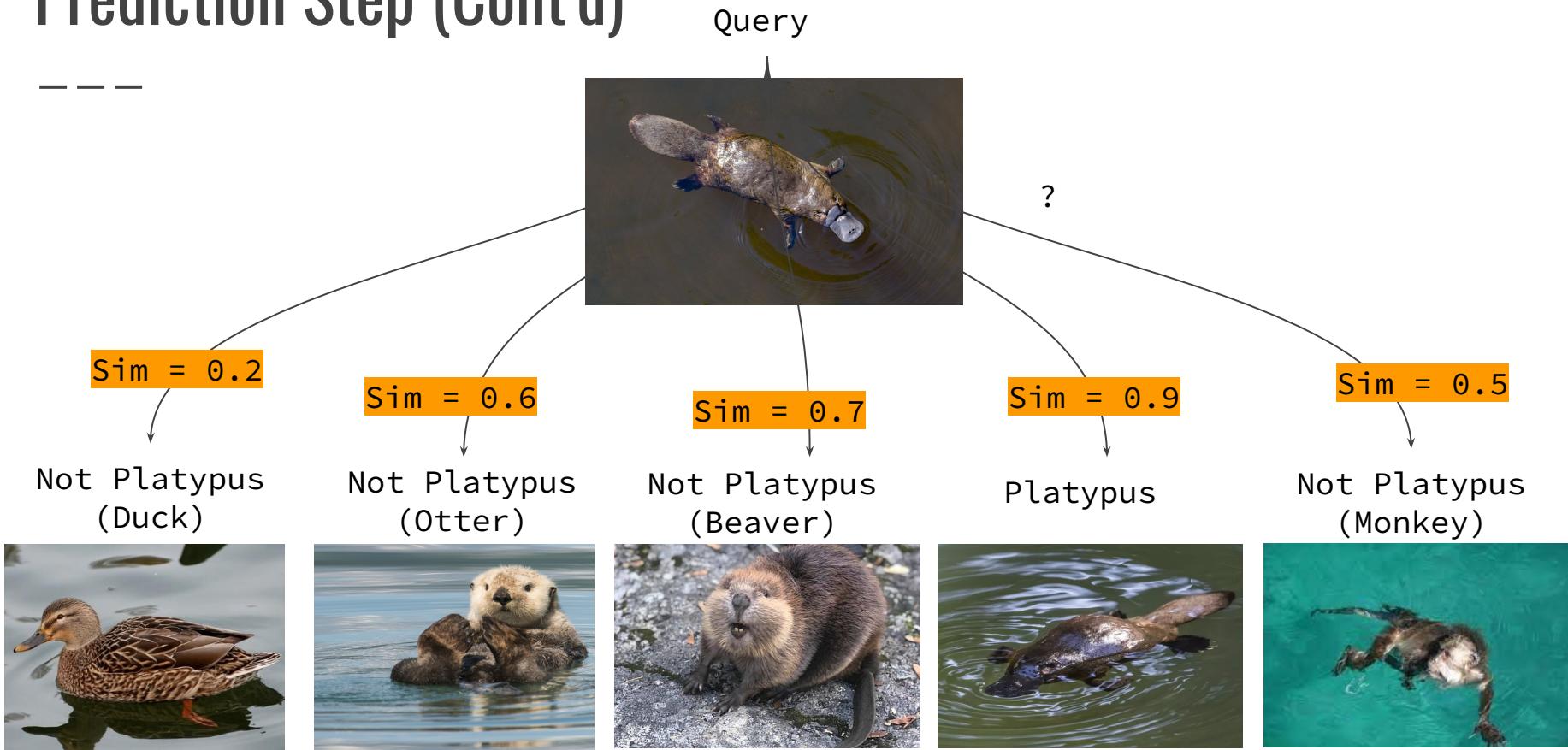
Prediction Step (Cont'd)



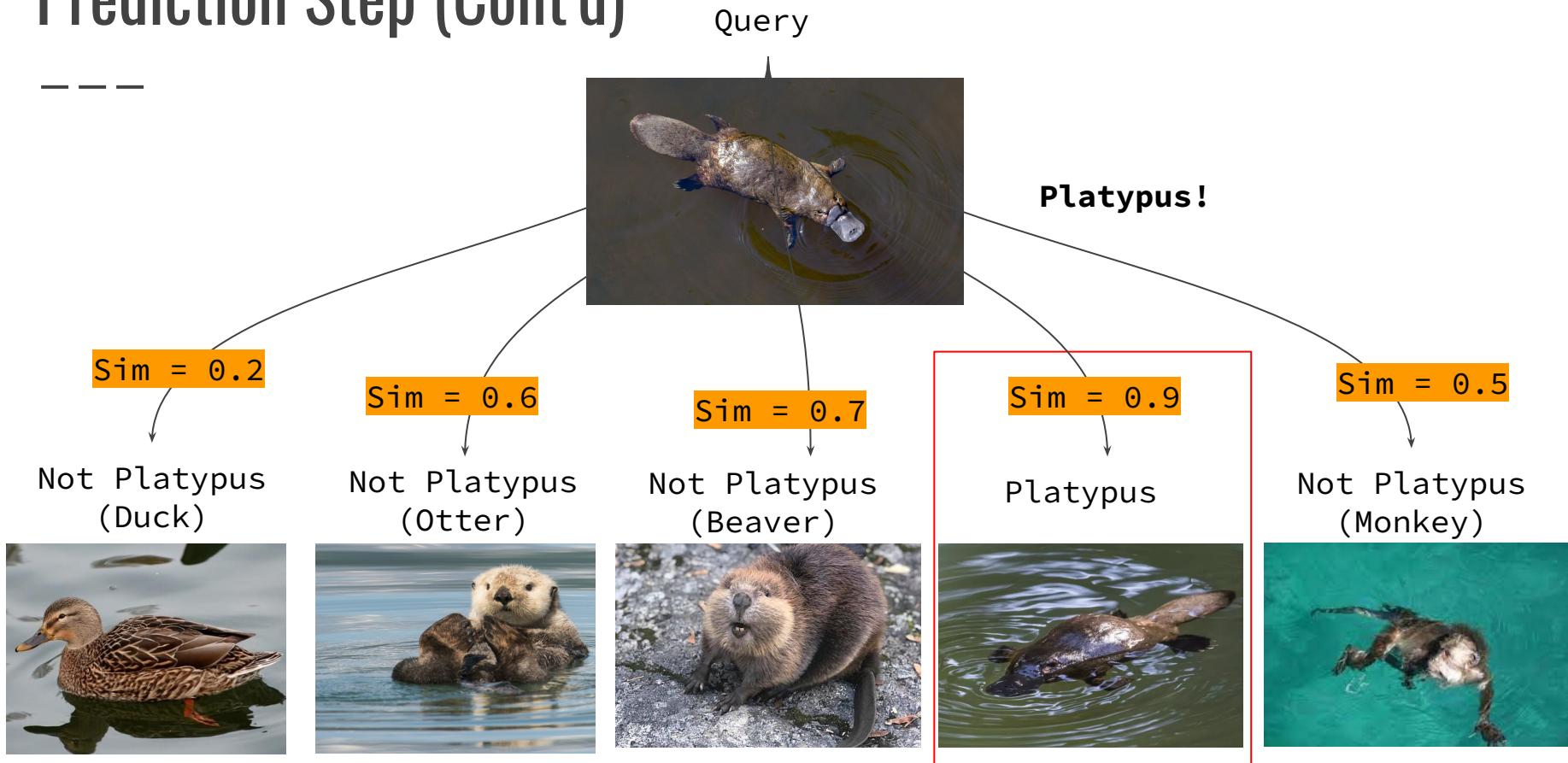
Prediction Step (Cont'd)



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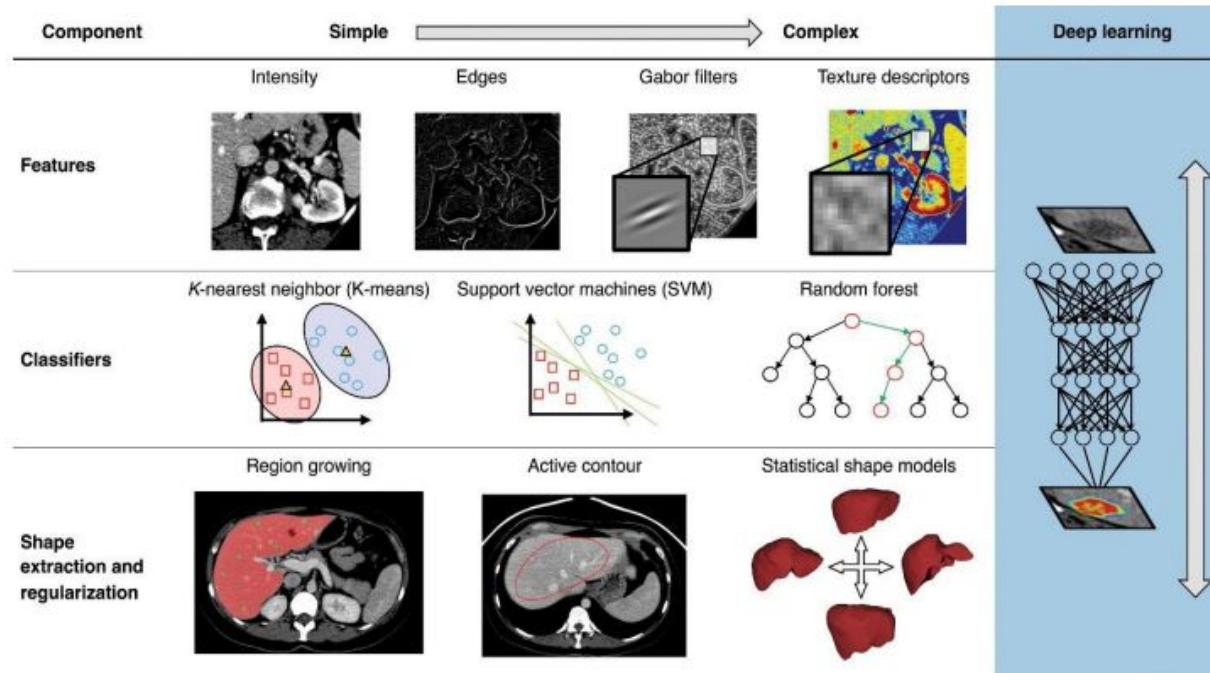


Discussion

We have seen the main properties of each model. Now, we compare the performance of them in different aspects.

- Feature extraction
- Classifier

Traditional ML vs DL



Discussion: Features

Traditional method:

- SIFT is scale and orientation invariant and it can get representative patterns
- K-means is easy to implement
- ✖ Hard to define a k value for k-clusters
- ✖ Clustering is not robust with outliers
- ✖ More images are necessary to get a well performance

Modern method:

- CNN automatically detects the important features without any human supervision.
- Deep learning techniques for feature extraction are robust to scale, occlusion, deformation, rotation
- ✖ Hard to understand the blackbox. Unable to visualize the features.

Discussion: Classifiers

Traditional method:

- SVM is effective in high dimension space
- SVM is good for binary classification
- ✖ SVM requires more training time when number of data is high

Modern method:

- Siamese Networks work well in high dimension space
- More robust to class imbalance
- ✖ Long training time

Discussion: Accuracy (%)

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Year	Animal	Methodology	Top-1 accuracy (%)
2013	Manta Ray	SIFT	51.0
2013	Chimpanzee (C-Zoo)	Support vector machine	84.0
2013	Chimpanzee (C-Tai)	Support vector machine	68.8
2018	Elephant	Support vector machine	59.0
2018	Chimpanzee	Siamese network	93.8
2018	Lemur	Siamese network	90.4
2018	Golden Monkey	Siamese network (videos)	75.8

Prefer Deep Learning When:

- Have a lot of computing power (CPU, GPU, TPU, etc.) to allow intensive model training and good app performance.
- Uncertainty about the positive feature-engineering outcome
- Only high-performance devices are allowed to be deployed

Traditional Method When:

- Inadequate storage and processing power.
- A less expensive solution is desired.
- Want to be able to deploy on a variety of hardware.

Thank You!

