

The rise of Artificial Intelligence for Earth Observation



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AGENDA

AI

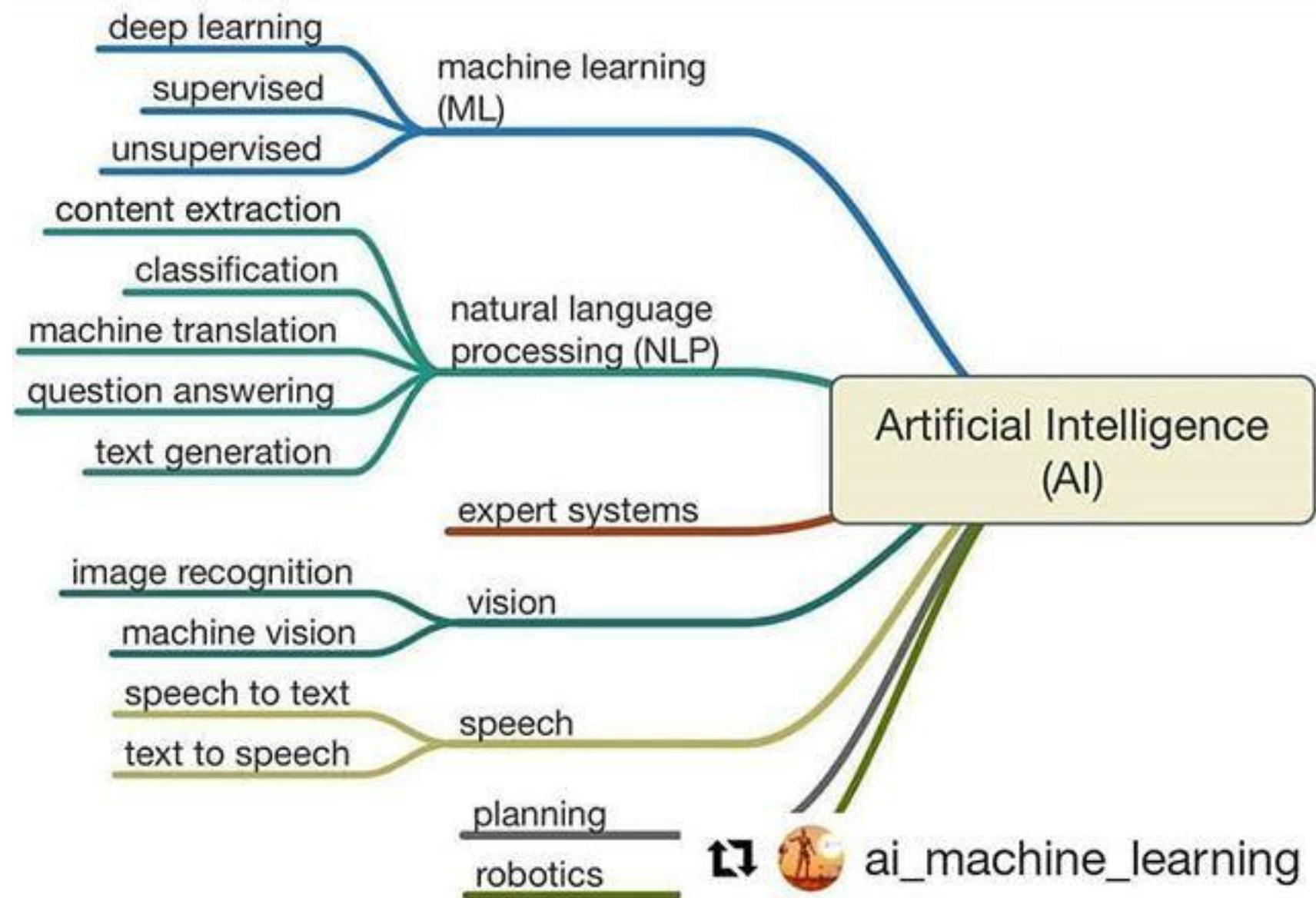
- Basic Concepts
- Algorithm architectures

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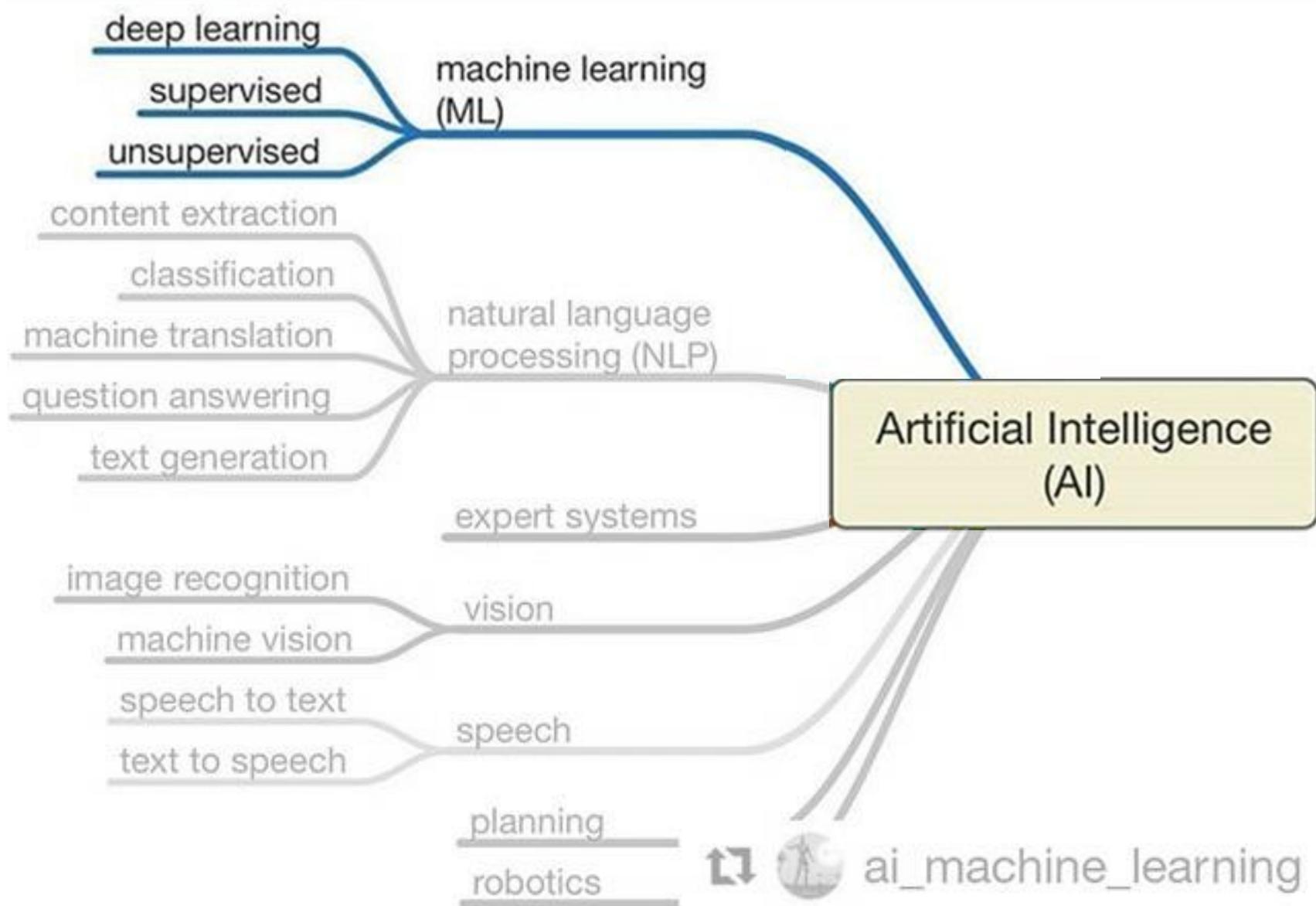
- EO Data
- EO Applications

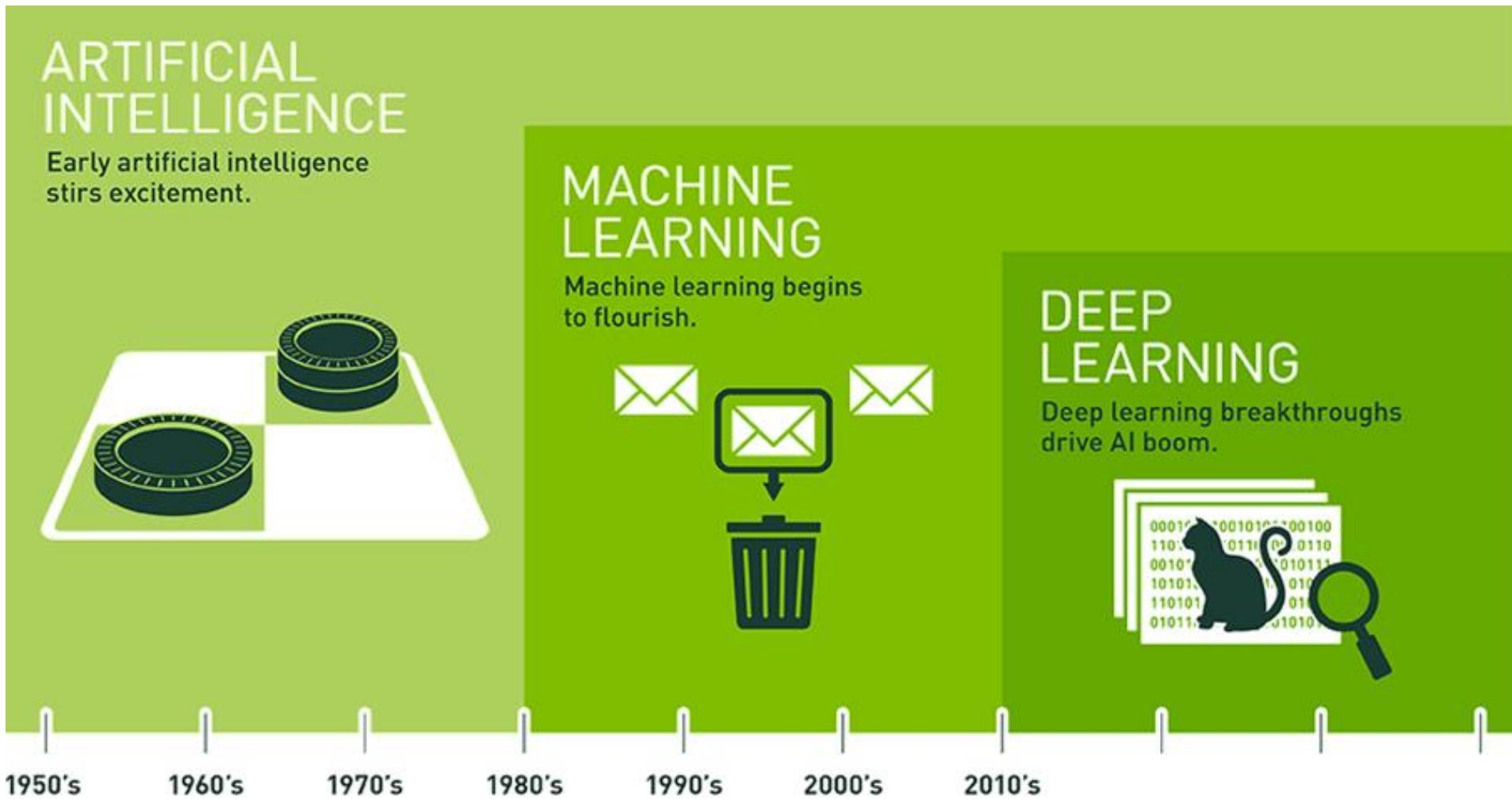
CRITE

- AI to map shadowed coffee plantations using multi-temporal and multi-sensor EO images



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Machine Learning and Deep Learning

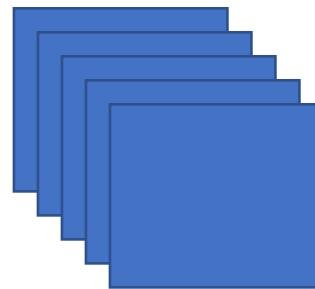
Basic concepts

In **supervised learning**, the training data that is fed to the algorithm already includes the desired solutions, called labels.

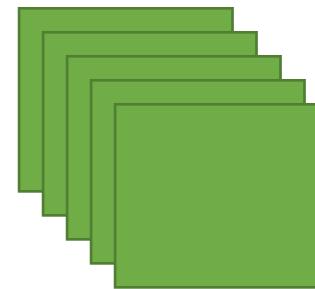
A typical supervised learning task is classification. To perform a classification of land cover, a multispectral image is used.

In this process, you select pixels that represent patterns or land cover features that you recognize, or that you can identify with help from other sources, such as aerial photos, ground truth data, or maps. Knowledge of the data, and of the classes desired, is required before classification.

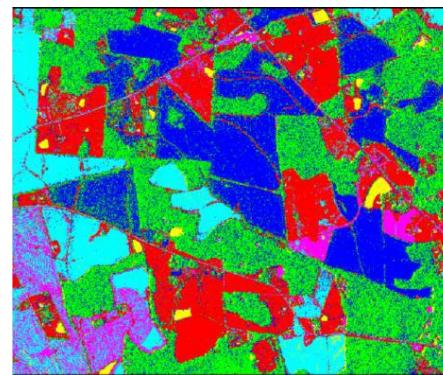
The algorithm is trained with many pixels of the different desired land cover classes and, based on that training, classifies the multispectral image.



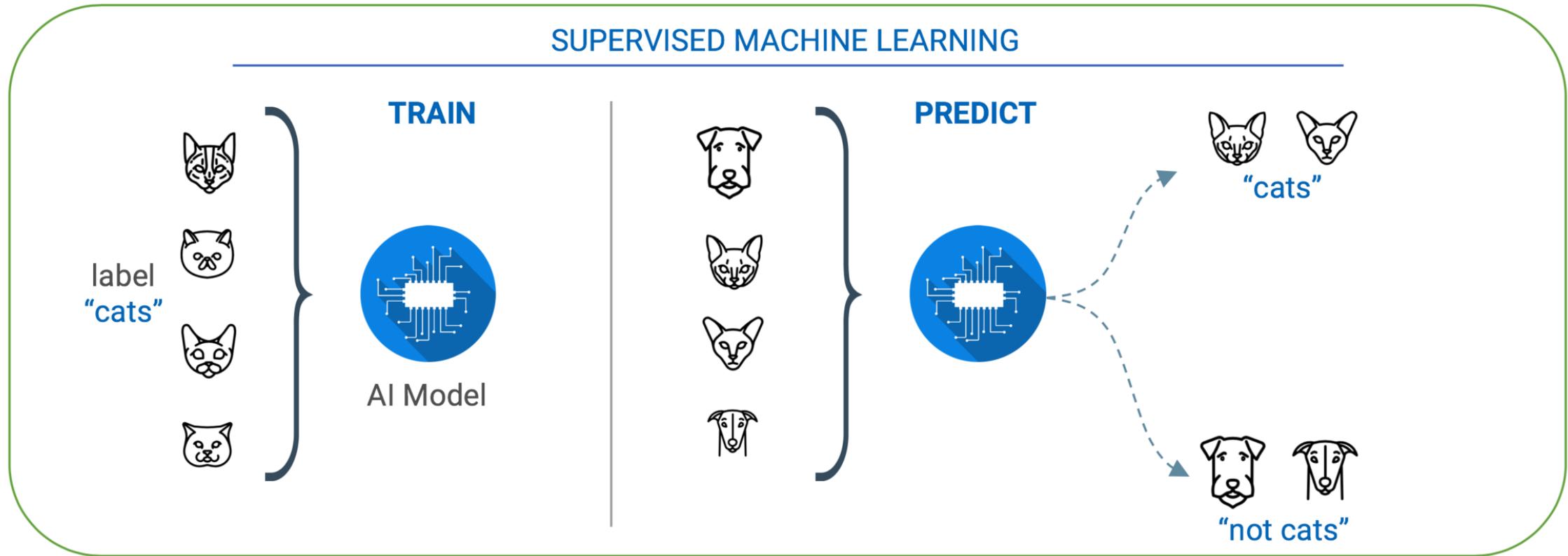
Labels



Images



CLASSIFICATION



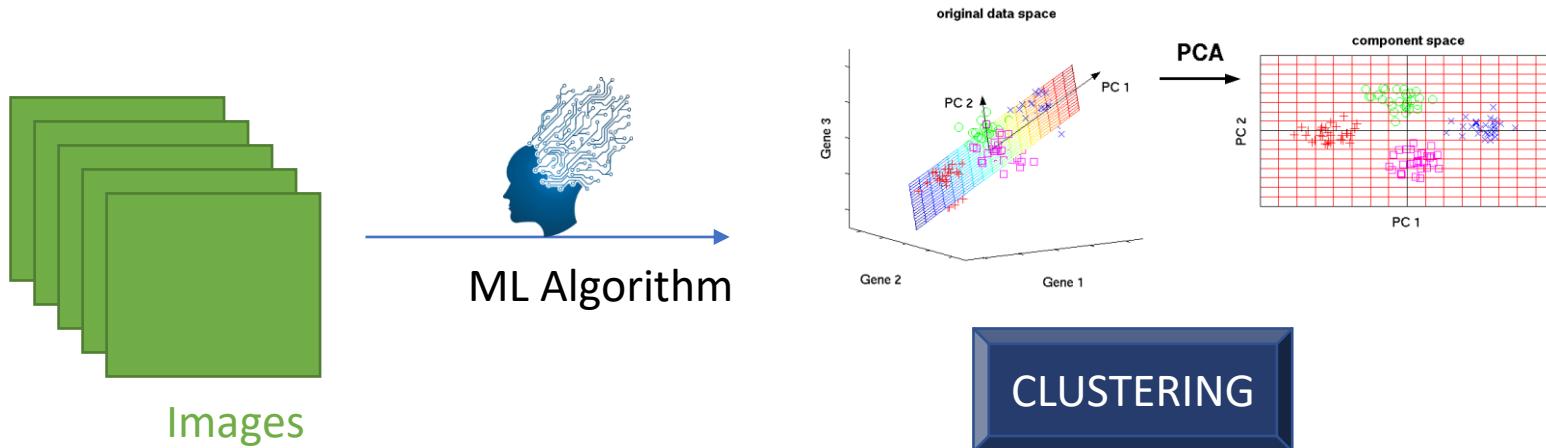
Unsupervised Learning

In **unsupervised learning**, the system tries to learn without first training the data.

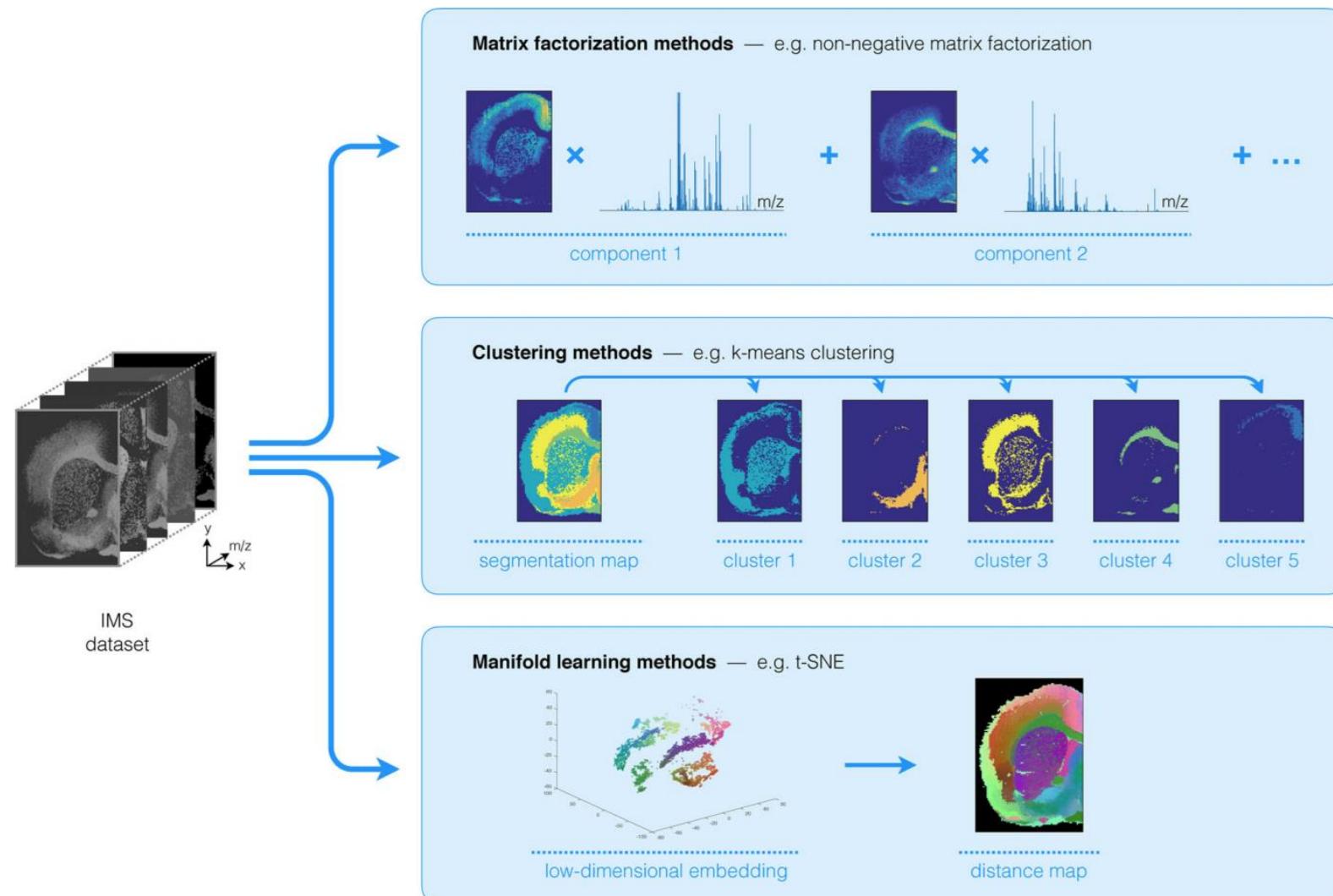
In the land cover classification example, the algorithm attempts to divide the multispectral image into a set number of classes based solely on the data in the image.

The output classes are determined by the distribution of the data in the image, not by the training data of desired land cover classes that is provided in Supervised learning. The analyst then attaches meaning to the resulting classes.

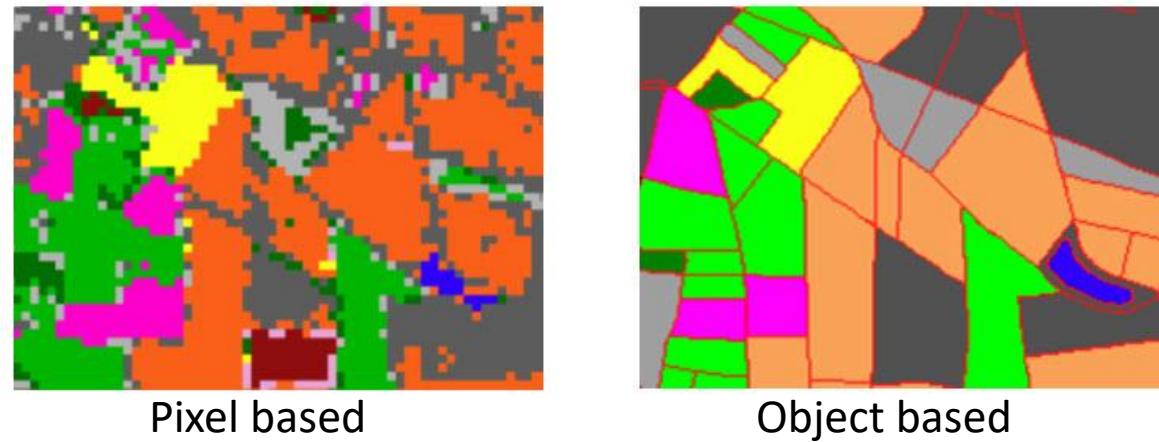
Unsupervised training is dependent upon the data itself for the definition of classes. This method is usually used when less is known about the data before classification.



Unsupervised Learning

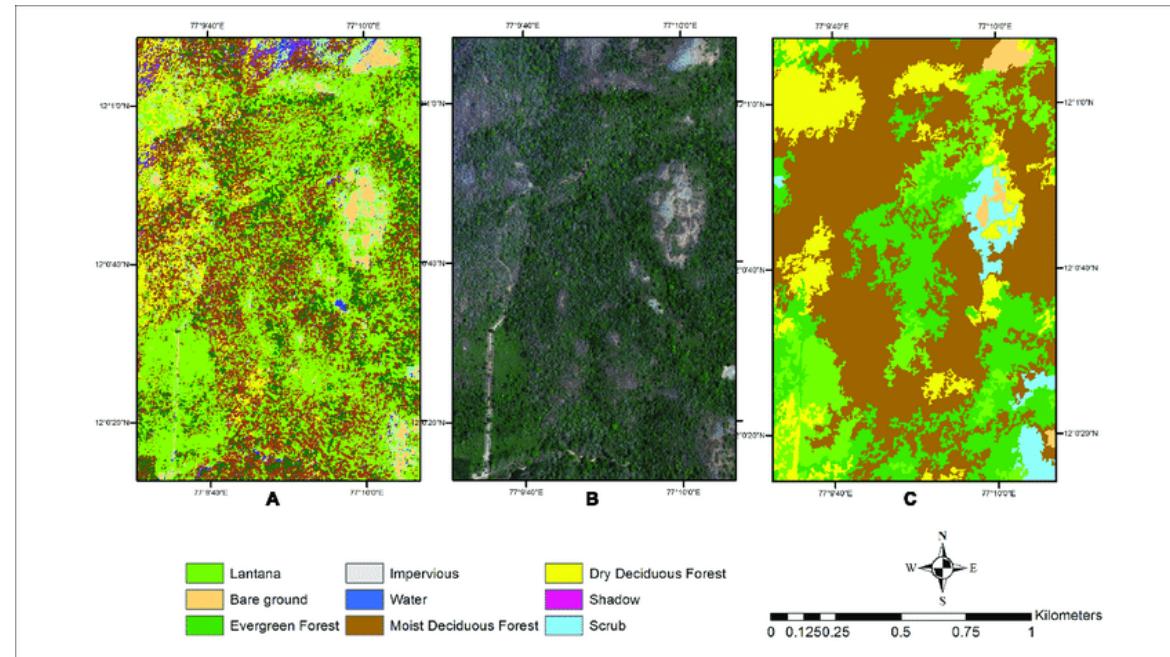


Pixel Based and Object Based



Pixel based

Object based



Classification tasks

Image Recognition



Image Segmentation



Object Detection



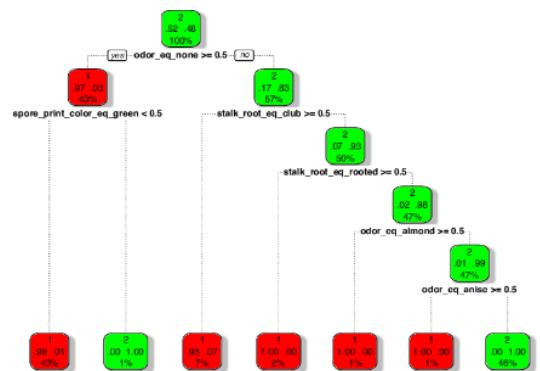
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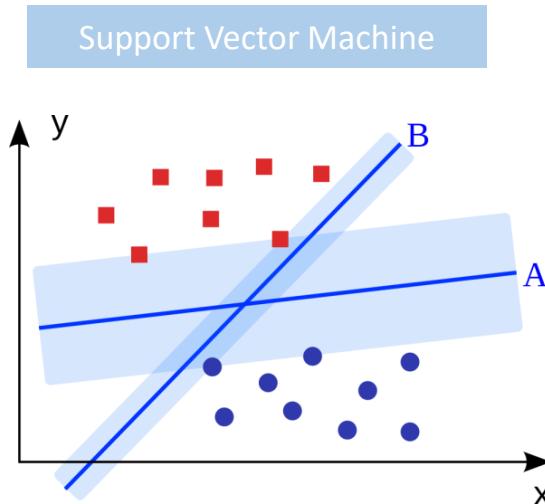


Machine Learning and Deep Learning

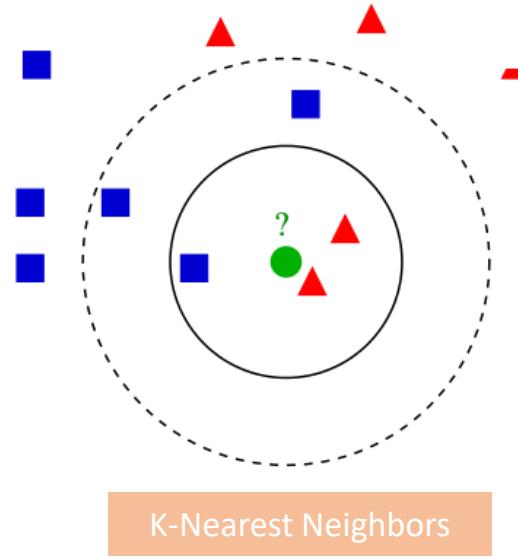
Algorithm architectures



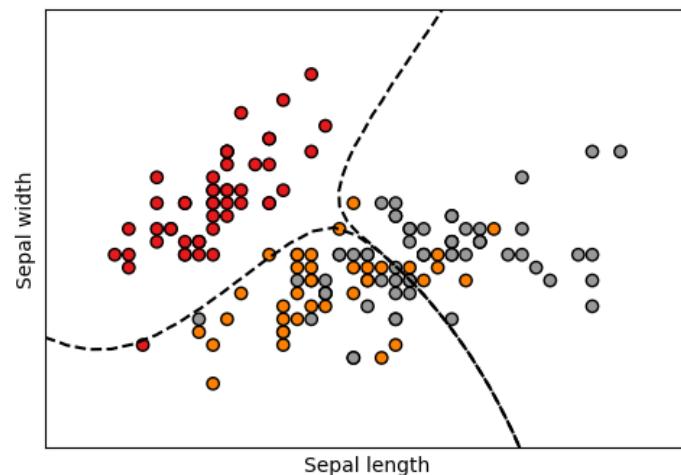
CART Decision Tree



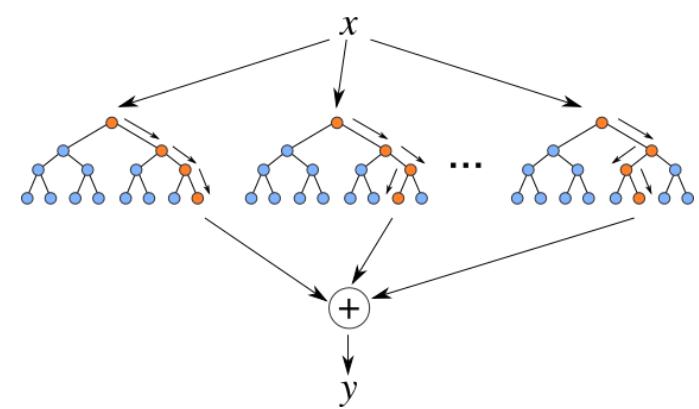
Support Vector Machine



K-Nearest Neighbors



Naive Bayes



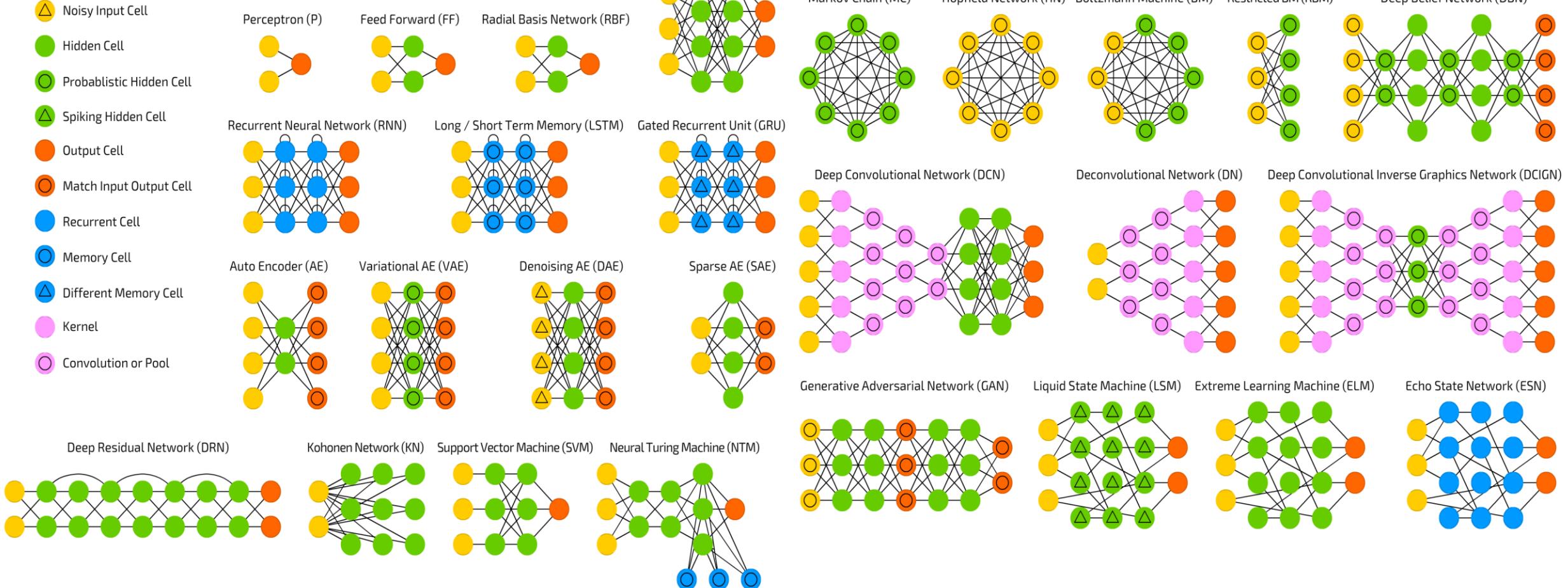
Random Forest

A mostly complete chart of

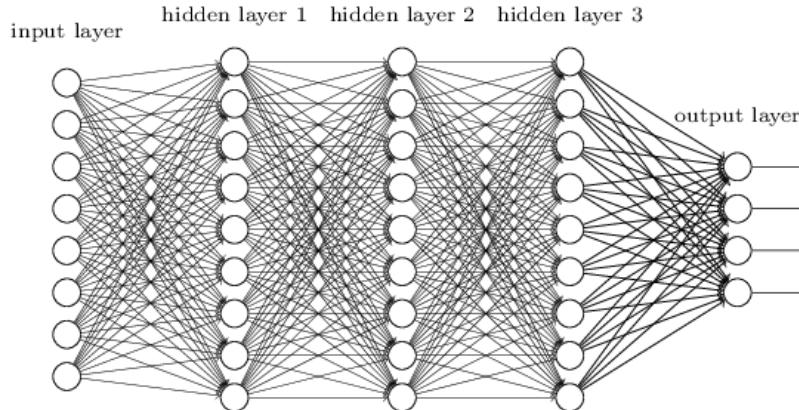
Neural Networks

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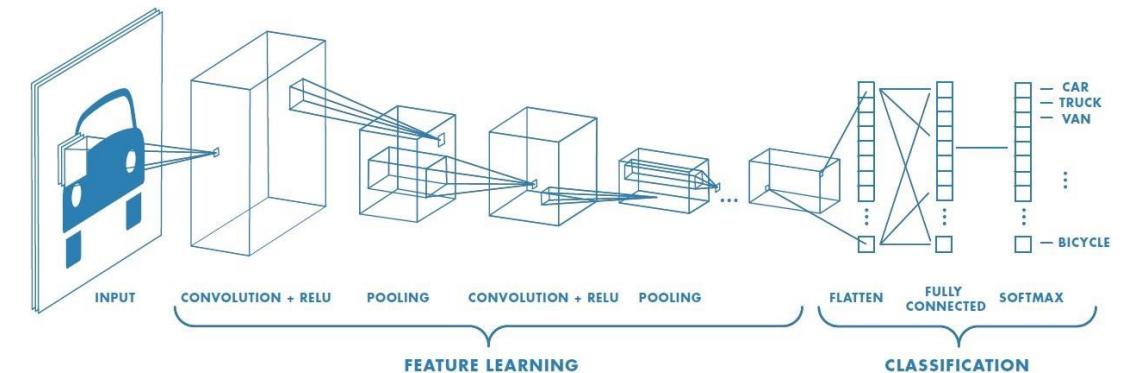
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-  Input Cell
-  Noisy Input Cell
-  Hidden Cell
-  Probabilistic Hidden Cell
-  Spiking Hidden Cell
-  Output Cell
-  Match Input Output Cell
-  Recurrent Cell
-  Memory Cell
-  Different Memory Cell
-  Kernel
-  Convolution or Pool



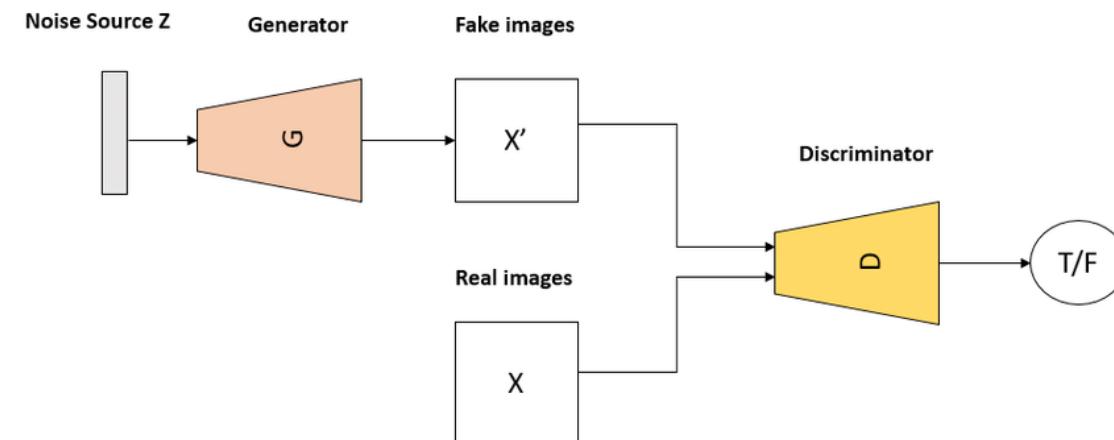
Multi Layer Perceptron

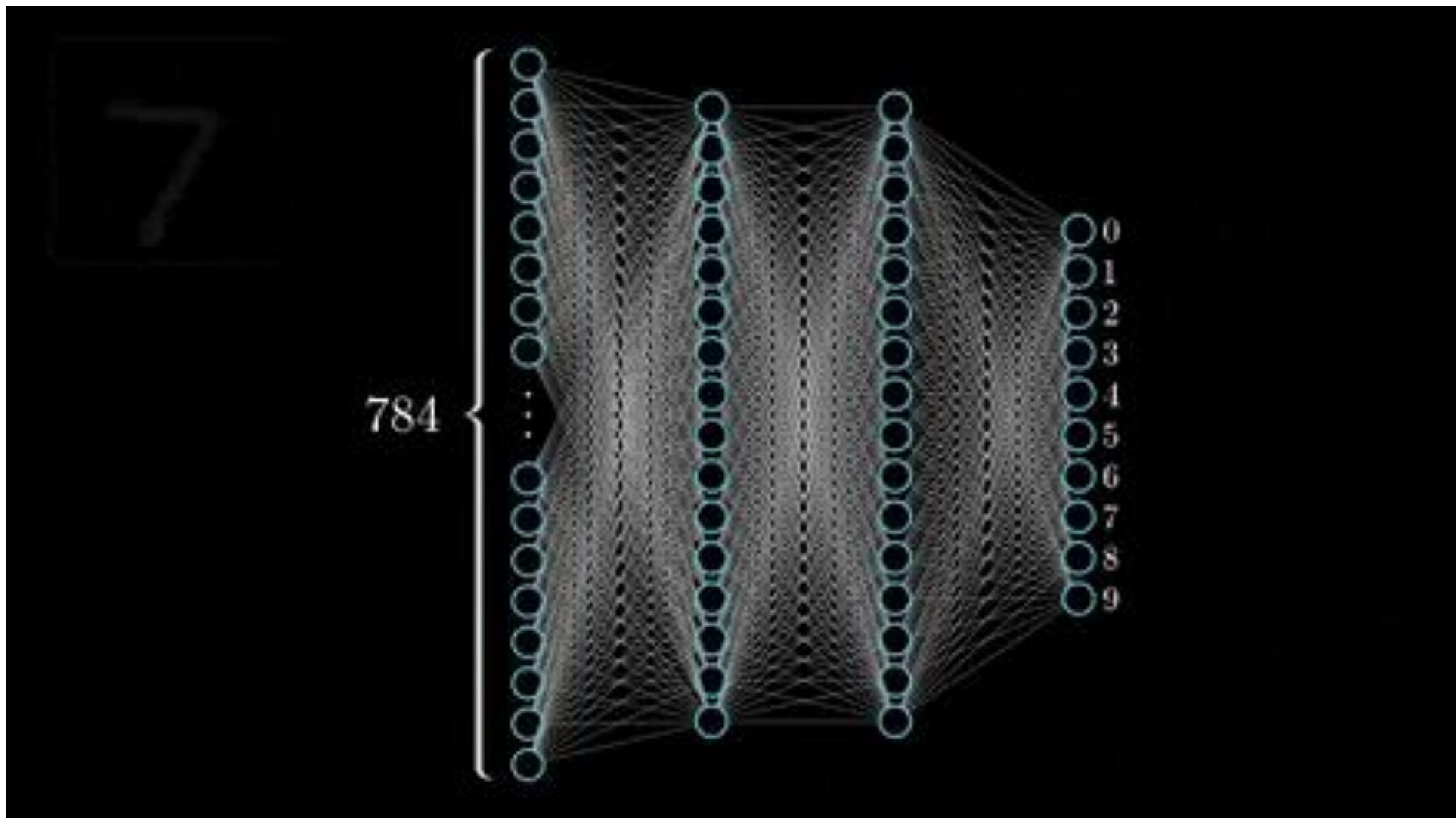


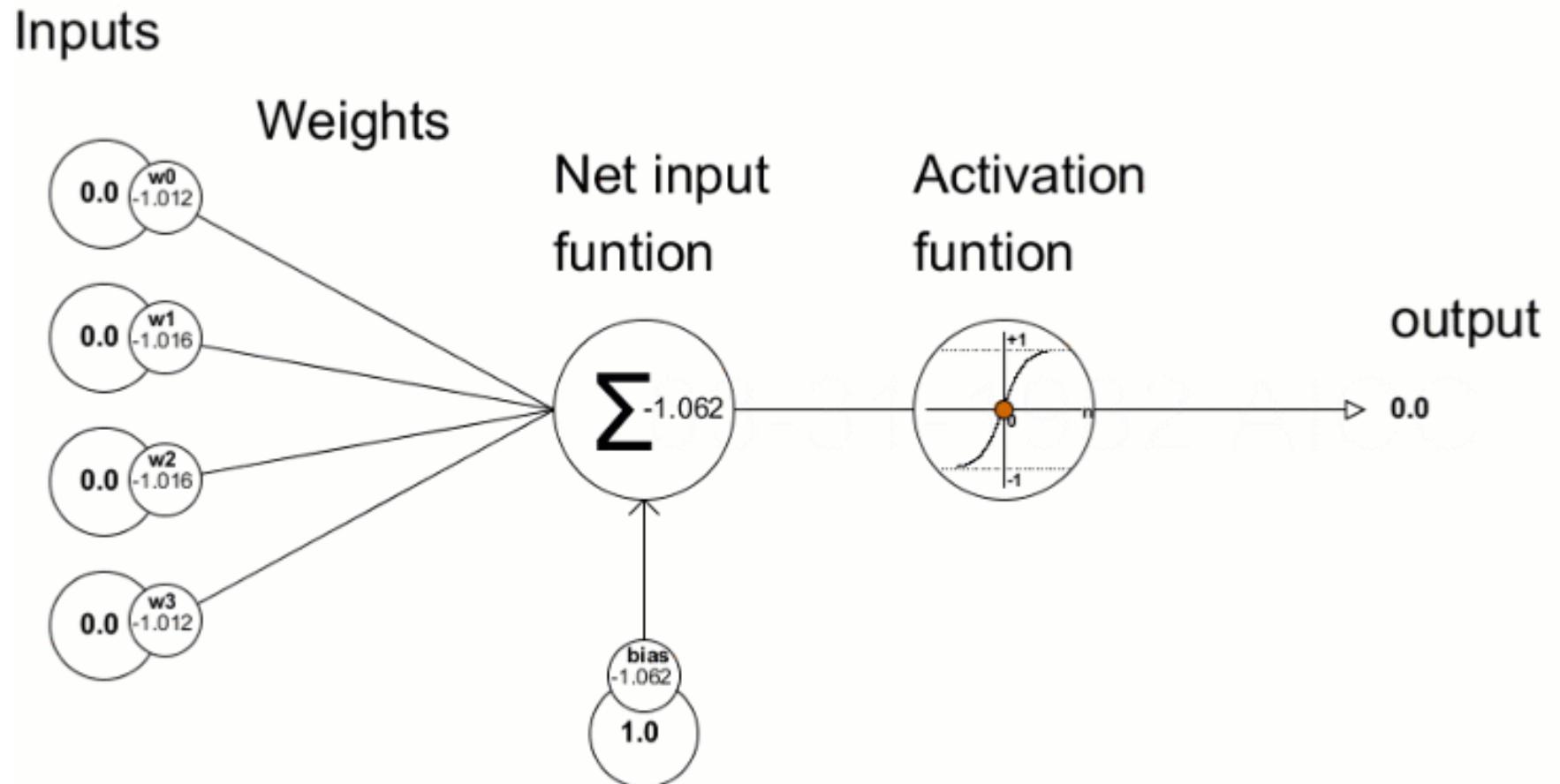
Convolutional NN



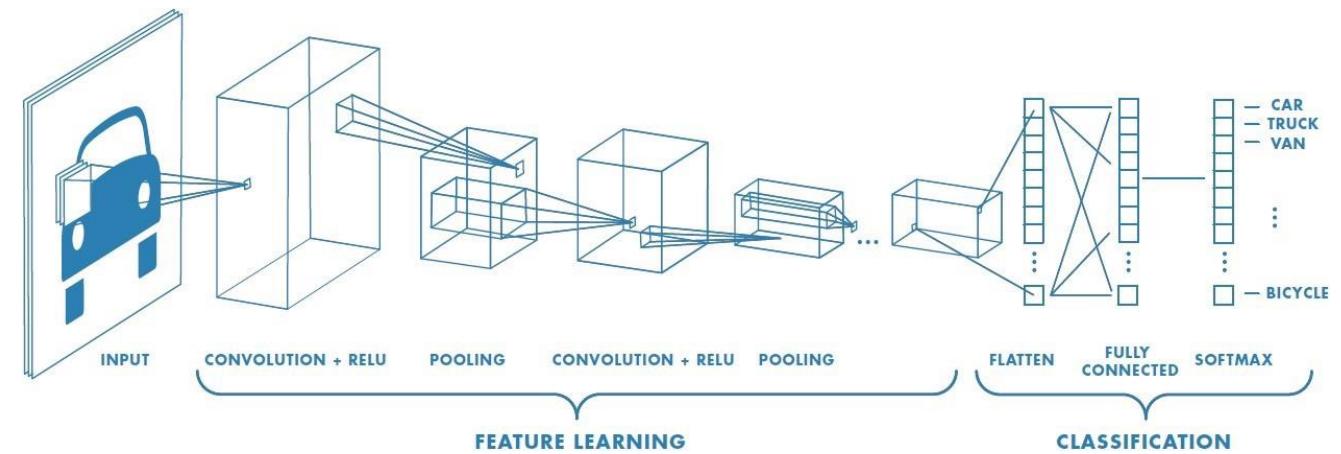
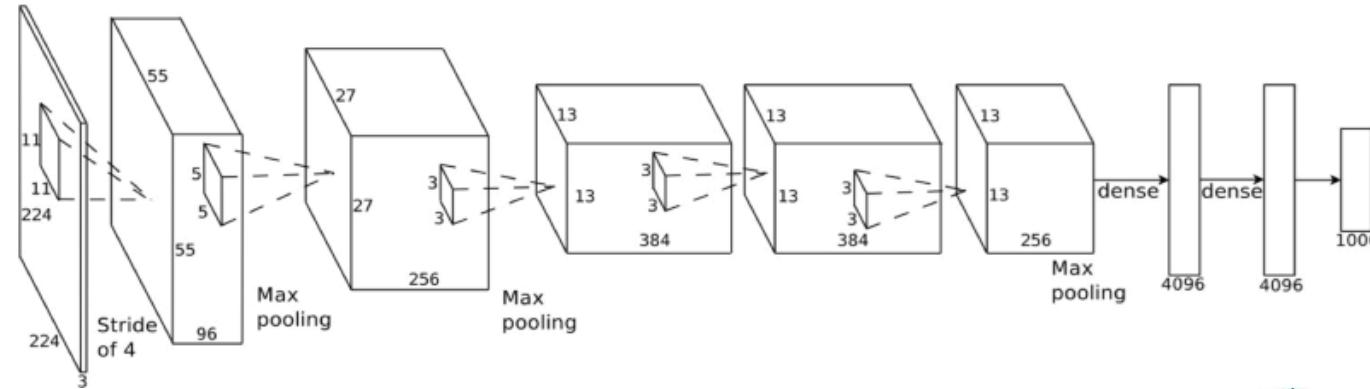
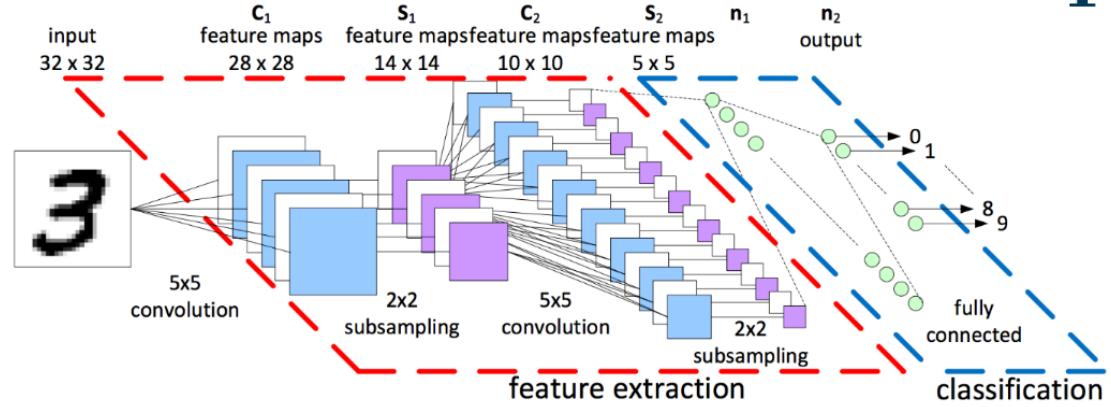
Generative Adversarial NNs







Different architectures of CNN



0	0	0	0	0	0	...
0	156	155	156	158	158	...
0	153	154	157	159	159	...
0	149	151	155	158	159	...
0	146	146	149	153	158	...
0	145	143	143	148	158	...
...

Input Channel #1 (Red)

0	0	0	0	0	0	...
0	167	166	167	169	169	...
0	164	165	168	170	170	...
0	160	162	166	169	170	...
0	156	156	159	163	168	...
0	155	153	153	158	168	...
...

Input Channel #2 (Green)

0	0	0	0	0	0	...
0	163	162	163	165	165	...
0	160	161	164	166	166	...
0	156	158	162	165	166	...
0	155	155	158	162	167	...
0	154	152	152	157	167	...
...

Input Channel #3 (Blue)

-1	-1	1
0	1	-1
0	1	1

Kernel Channel #1



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1	0	0
1	-1	-1
1	0	-1

Kernel Channel #2



-498

0	1	1
0	1	0
1	-1	1

Kernel Channel #3



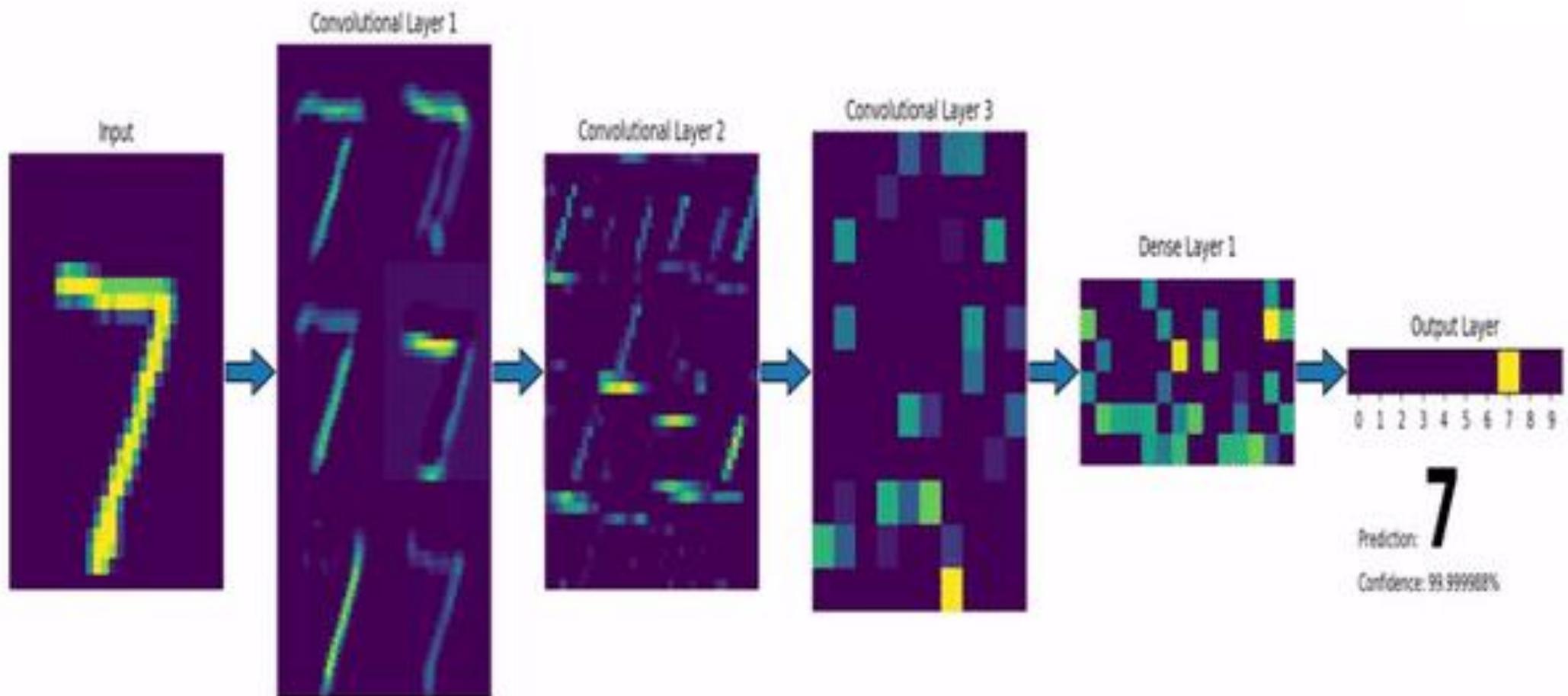
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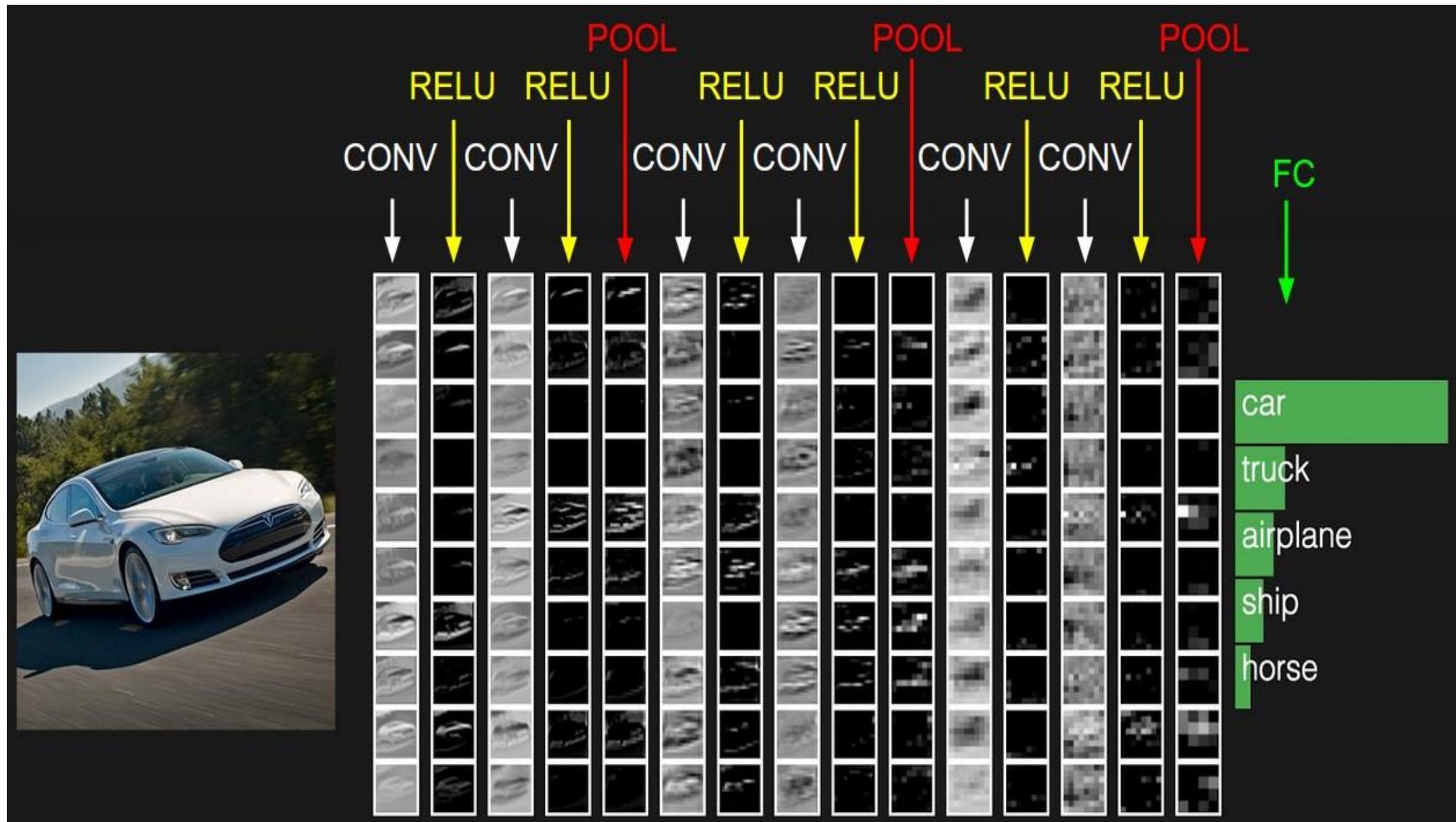
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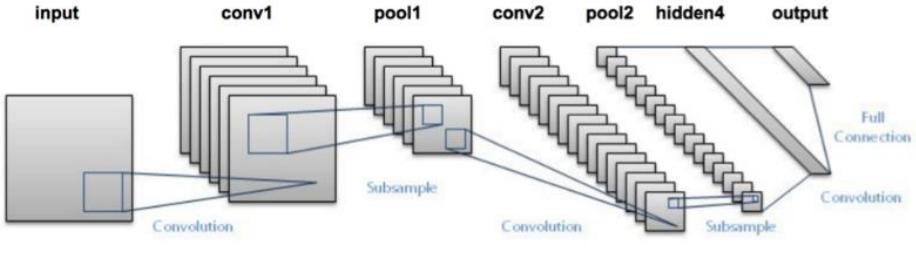
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Output

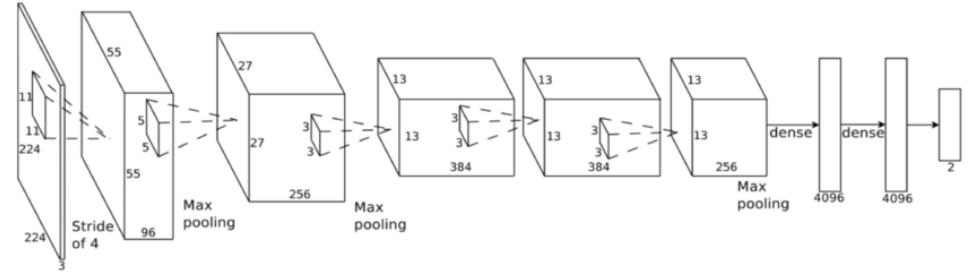




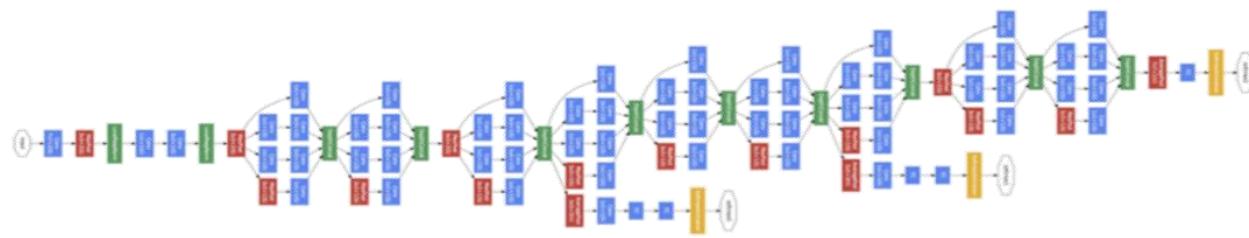
LeNet-5 (1998)



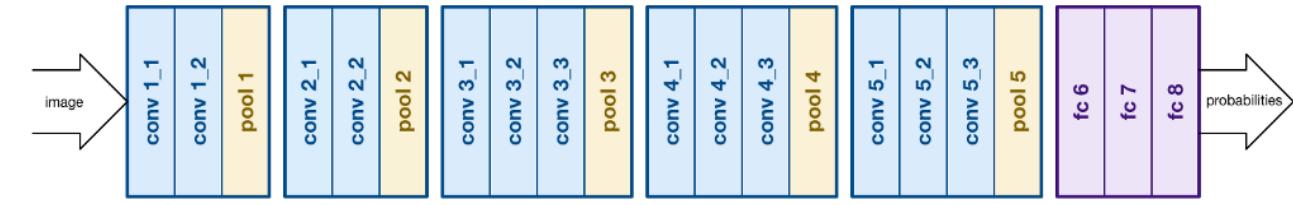
AlexNet (2012)



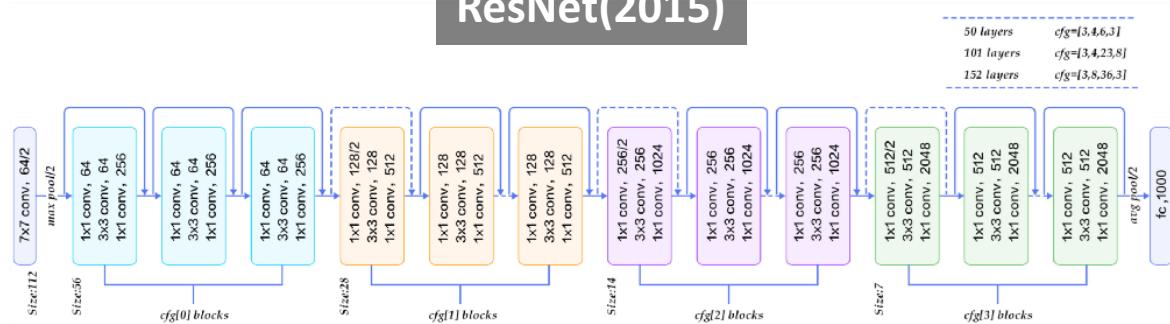
GoogleNet/Inception(2014)

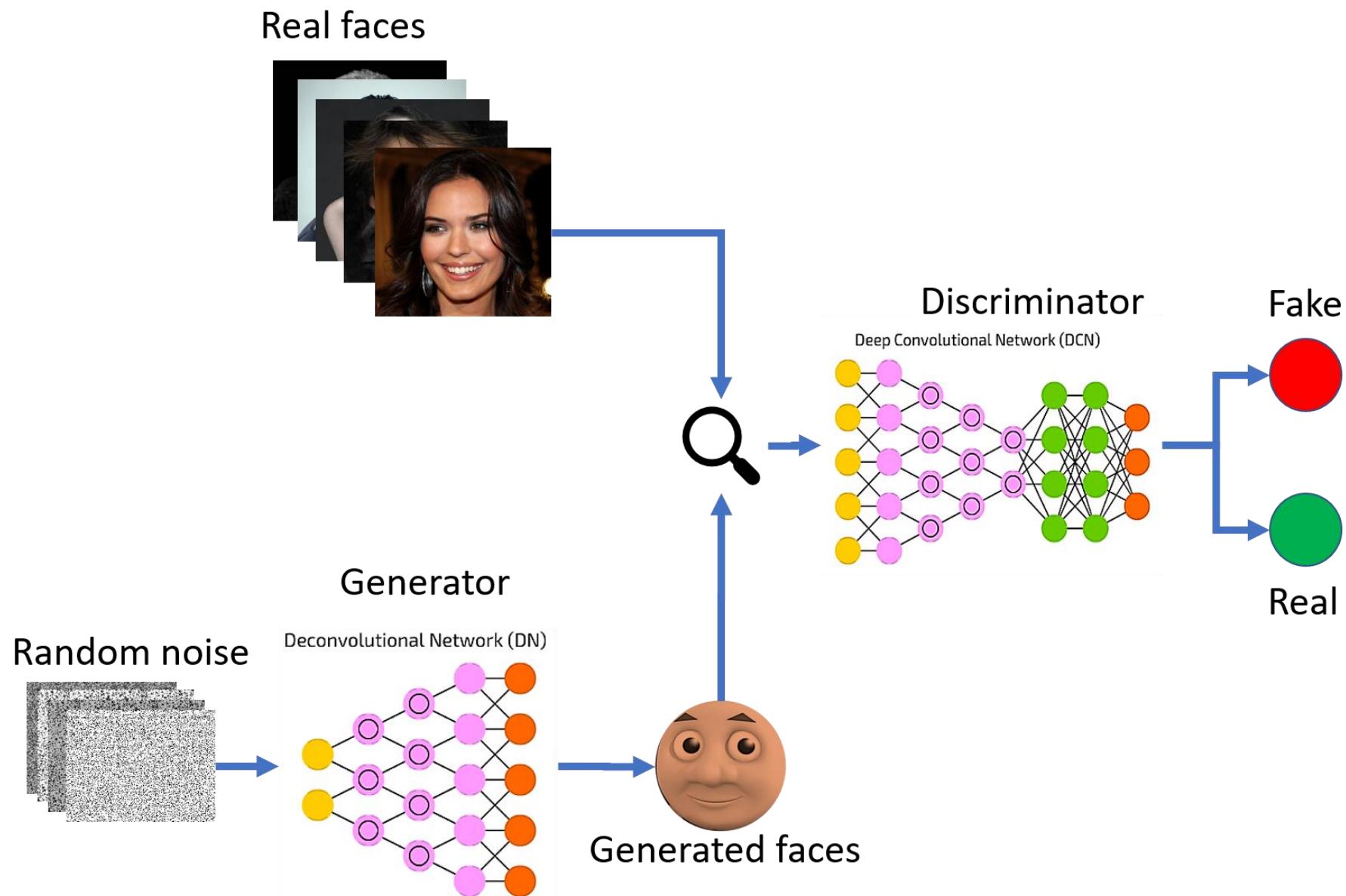


VGGNet (2014)

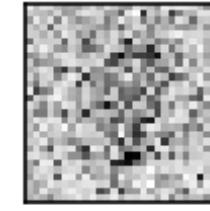
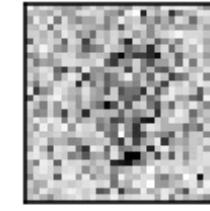
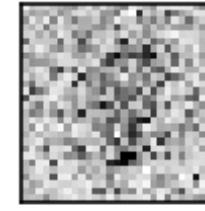
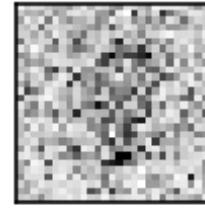
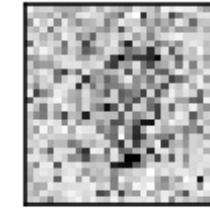
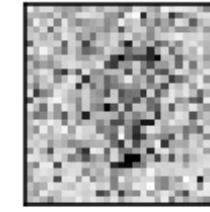
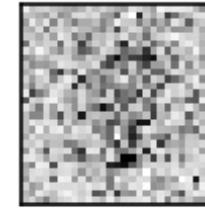
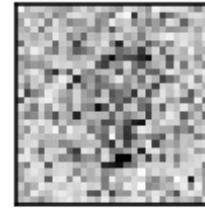
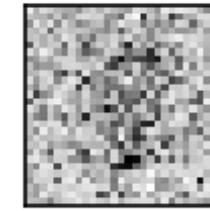
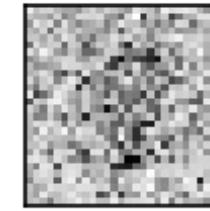
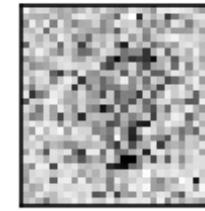
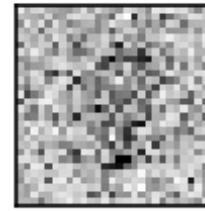
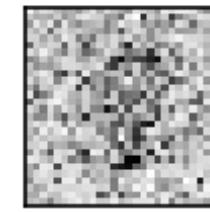
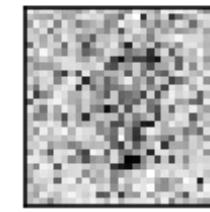
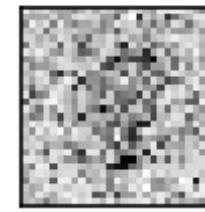
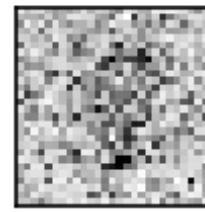


ResNet(2015)





After 1 epoch(s)





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EO DATA**



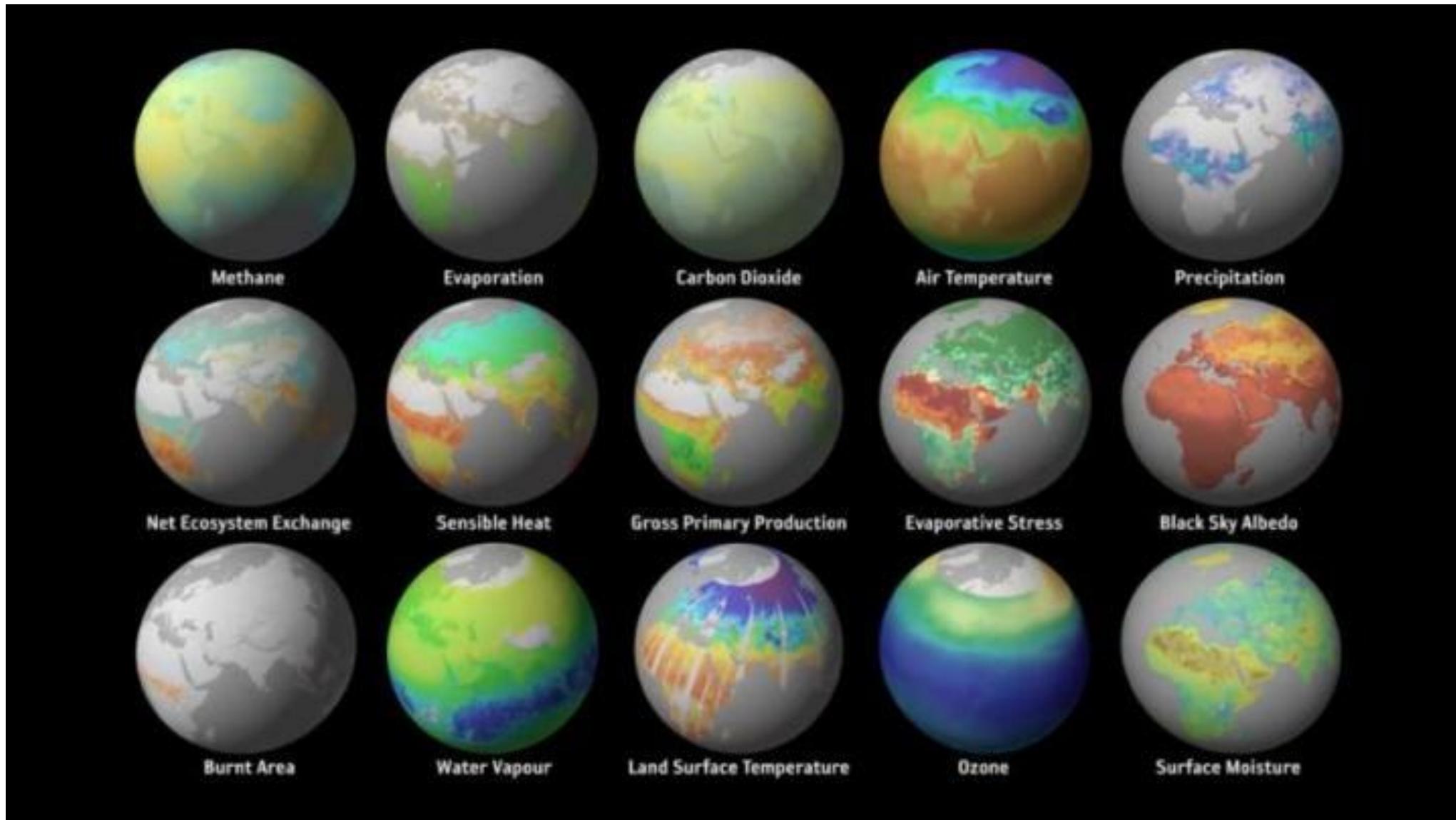


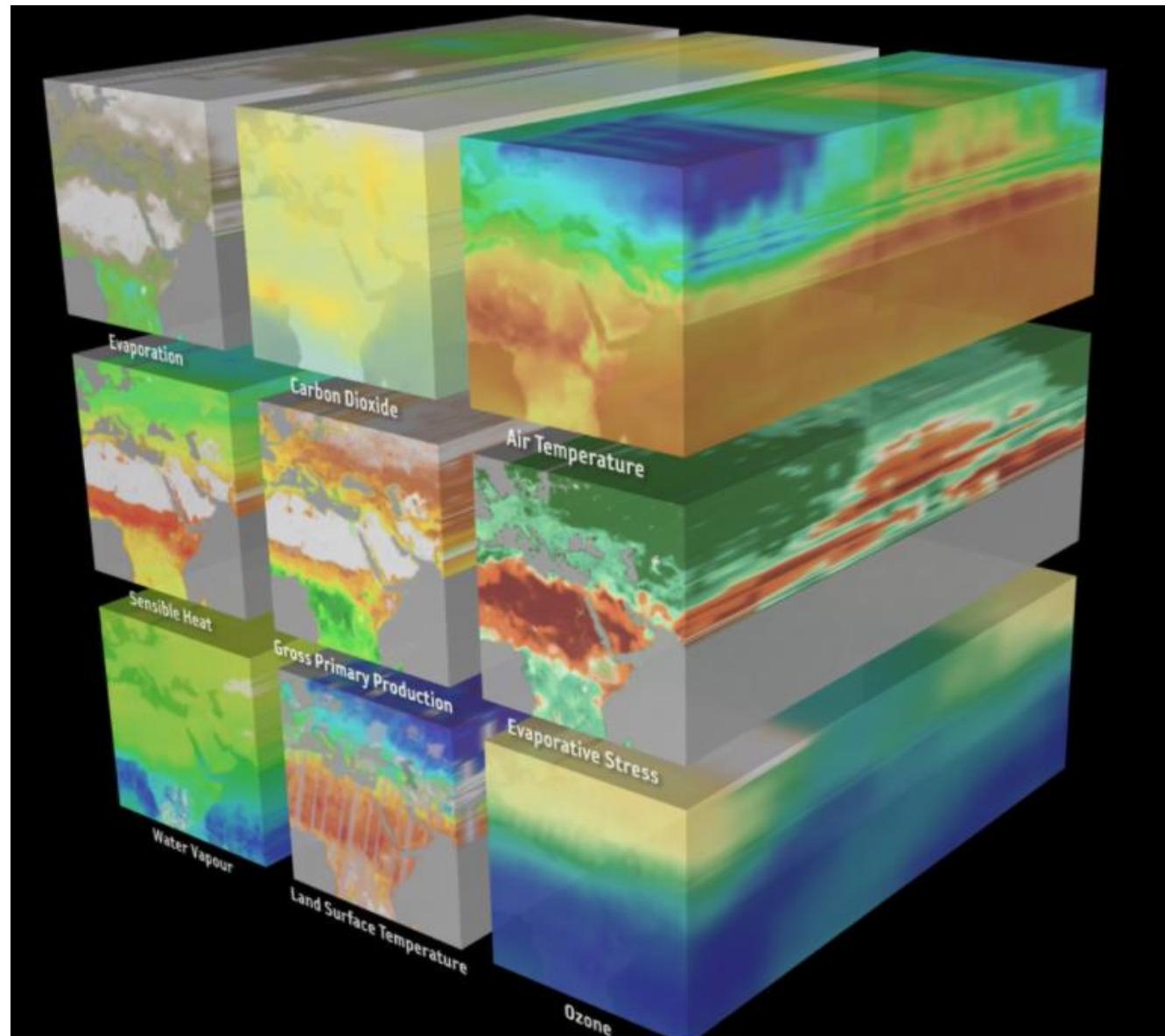
FULL, FREE AND OPEN
ACCESS TO DATA



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-  MARINE ENVIRONMENT MONITORING
-  LAND MONITORING
-  CLIMATE CHANGE
-  EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
-  SECURITY

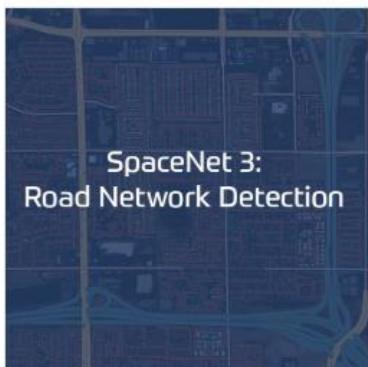
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Europe's eyes on Earth



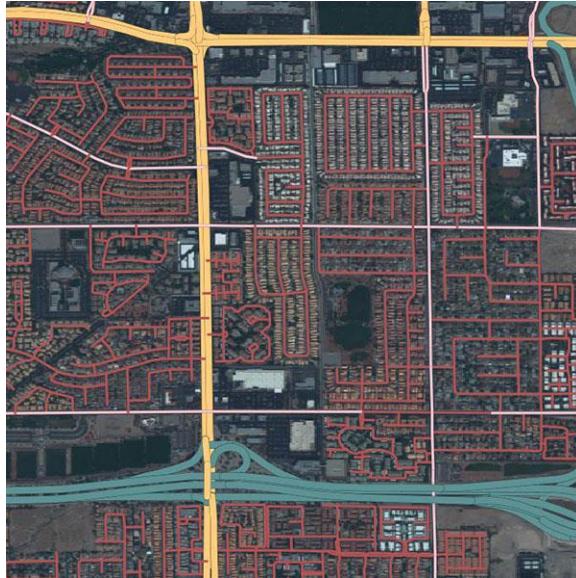


DATASET

SpaceNet Challenge Datasets

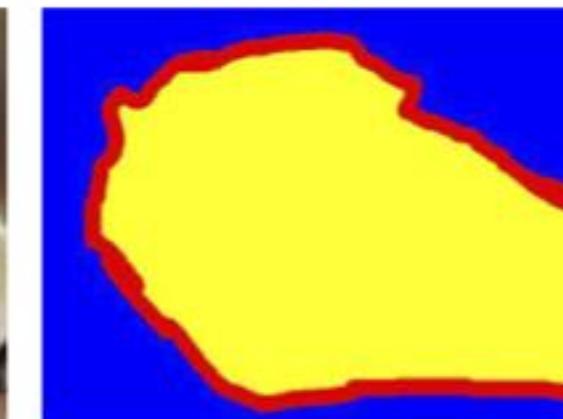
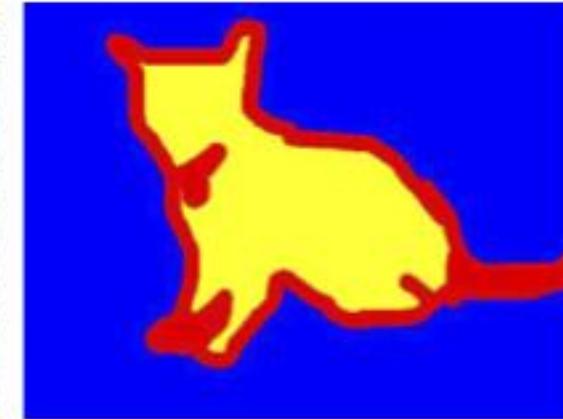
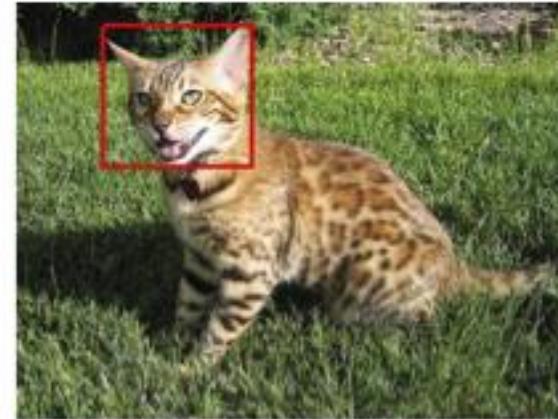


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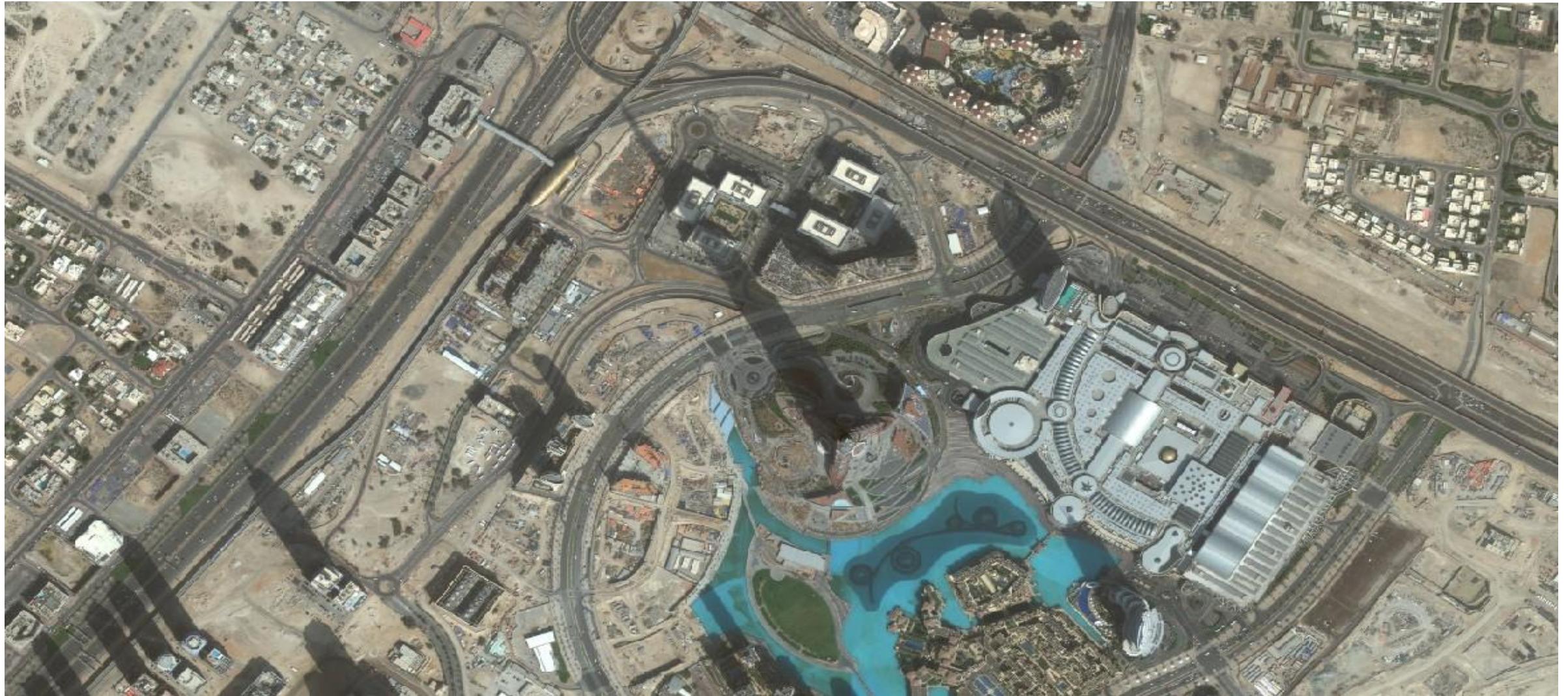


Dataset	Task	Topic	Platform	Sensor	Resolution	Example Application by Architectures
NWPU RESISC45 [155]	IR	LULC	multiple platforms	optical	high	VGG-16 [155]
EuroSAT [156]	IR	LULC	Sentinel 2	multispectral	medium	Inception-V1 and ResNet-50 [156]
BigEarthNet [116,117]	IR	LULC	Sentinel 2	multispectral	medium	ResNet-50 [117]
So2Sat LCZ42 [157]	IR	local climate zones	Sentinel 1+2	mltspectr+SAR	medium	ResNeXt-29 + CBAM [157]
SpaceNet1 [158]	IS	building footprints	-	multispectral	low	VGG-16 + MNC [158,159]
SpaceNet2 [160]	IS	building footprints	WorldView3	multispectral	high	U-Net (modified: inputdepth = 13) [160]
SpaceNet3 [161]	IS	road network	WorldView3	multispectral	high	ResNet-34 + U-Net [161]
SpaceNet4 [162]	IS	building footprints	WorldView2	multispectral	high	SE-ResNeXt-50/101 + U-Net [162]
SpaceNet5 [163]	IS	road network	WorldView3	multispectral	high	ResNet-50 + U-Net [164], SE-ResNeXt-50 + U-Net [163]
SpaceNet6 [165,166]	IS	building footprints	WordView2 + Capella36	mltspectr + SAR	high	VGG-16 + U-Net [166]
ISPRS 2D Sem. Lab. [126]	IS	multiple classes	plane	multispectral	very high	U-Net, DeepLabV3+, PSPNet, LANet (patch attention module) [167], MobileNetV2(with atrous conv) + Dual path encoder + SE modules [168]
DeepGlobe-Road [169]	IS	road network	WorldView3	multispectral	high	D-LinkNet (ResNet-34 + U-Net with atrous decoder) [170], ResNet-34 + U-Net [171]
DeepGlobe-Building [169]	IS	building footprints	WorldView3	multispectral	high	ResNet-18 + Multitask U-Net [172], WideResNet-38 + U-Net [173]
DeepGlobe-LCC [169]	IS	LULC	WorldView3	multispectral	high	Dense Fusion Classmate Network (DenseNet + FCN varaint) [174], Deep Aggregation Net (ResNet + DeepLabV3 + variant) [175]
WHU Building [176]	IS	building footprints	multiple platforms	optical	high	VGG-16 + ASPP + FCN [177]
INRIA [178]	IS	building footprints	multiple platforms	multispectral	very high	ResNet-50 + SegNet variant [179], U-Net variant [180]
DLR-SkyScapes [181]	IS	multiple classes	helicopter	optical	very high	SkyScapesNet (custom design [181])
NWPU VHR-10 [182]	OD	multiple classes	airborne platforms	optical	very high	DarkNet + YOLO (modified: VaryBlock) [183], ResNet-101 + FPN (modified: Densely connected top-down path) + fully convolutional detector head [184]
COWC [185]	OD	vehicle detection	airborne platforms	optical	very high	VGG16 + SSD + correlation alignment domain adaptation [186]
CARPK [187]	OD	vehicle detection	drone	optical	very high	VGG16 + LPN (Layout Proposal Net) [187]
DLR 3K Munich [188]	OD	vehicle detection	airborne platform	optical	very high	ShuffleDet (ShuffleNet + modified SSD) [189]
DOTA [100]	OD	multiple classes	airborne platforms	optical	very high to high	ResNet-50+improved Cascade R2CNN see leader board of [100], ResNet-101/FPN + Fater R-CNN OBB + RoI transformer [138]
DIOR [24]	OD	multiple classes	multiple platforms	optical	height to medium	ResNet-101 + PAnet and ResNet-101 + RetinaNet [24]

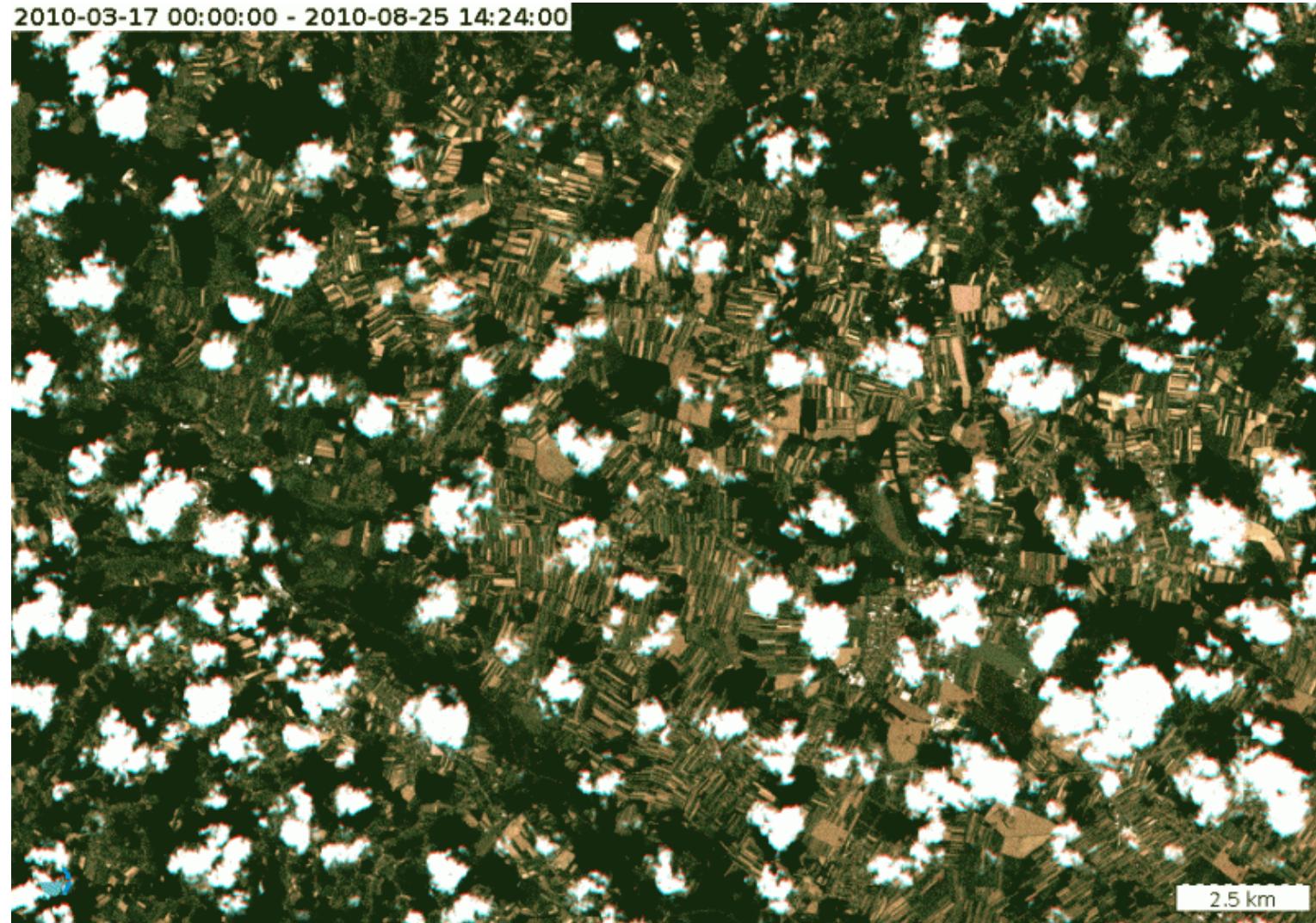
Satellite Images (NO DOGS NO CATS)



Satellite Images (SHADOWS and OFF-NADIR angles)



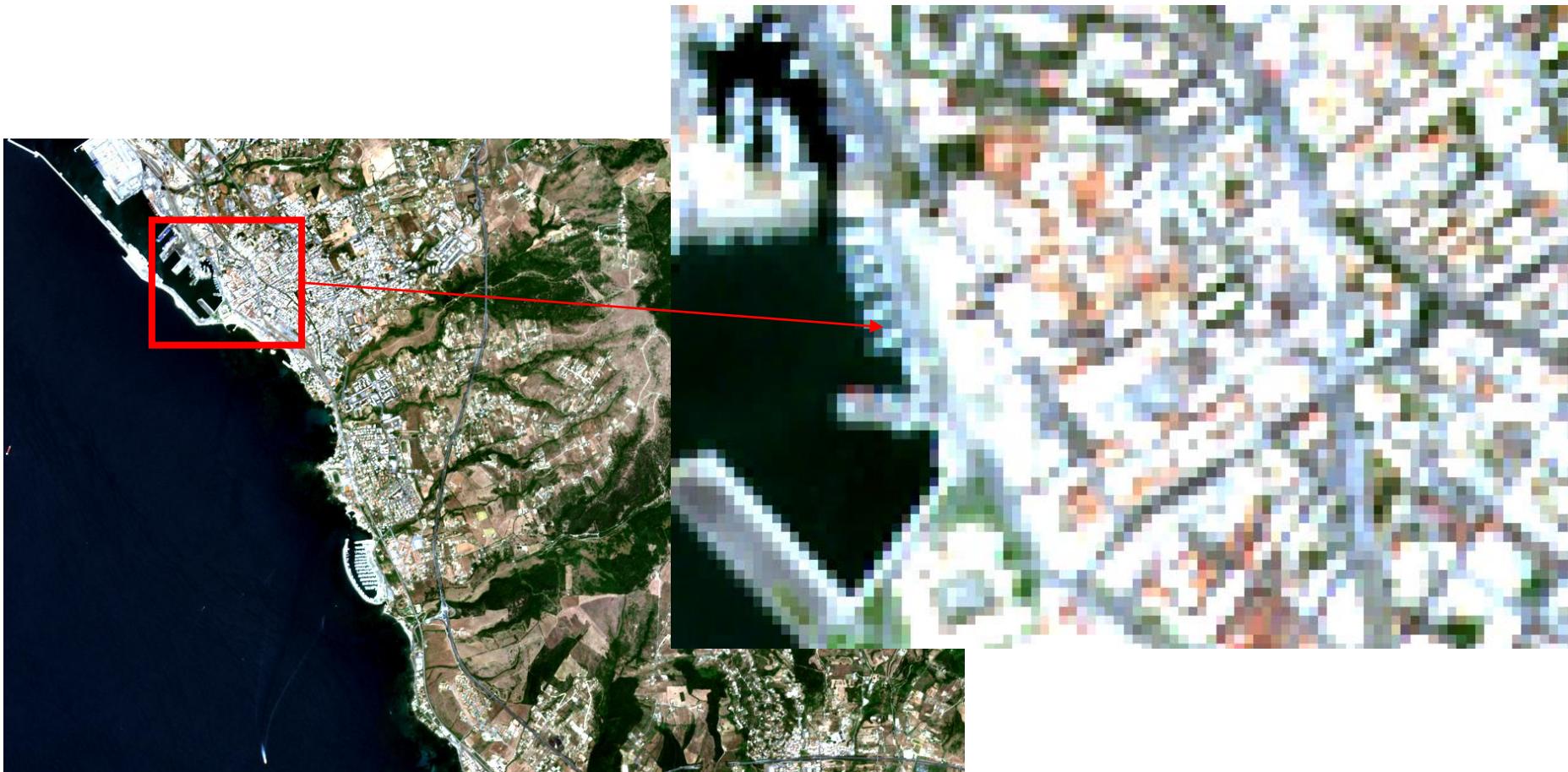
Satellite Images (CLOUDS)



Satellite Images (PIXEL RESOLUTION)

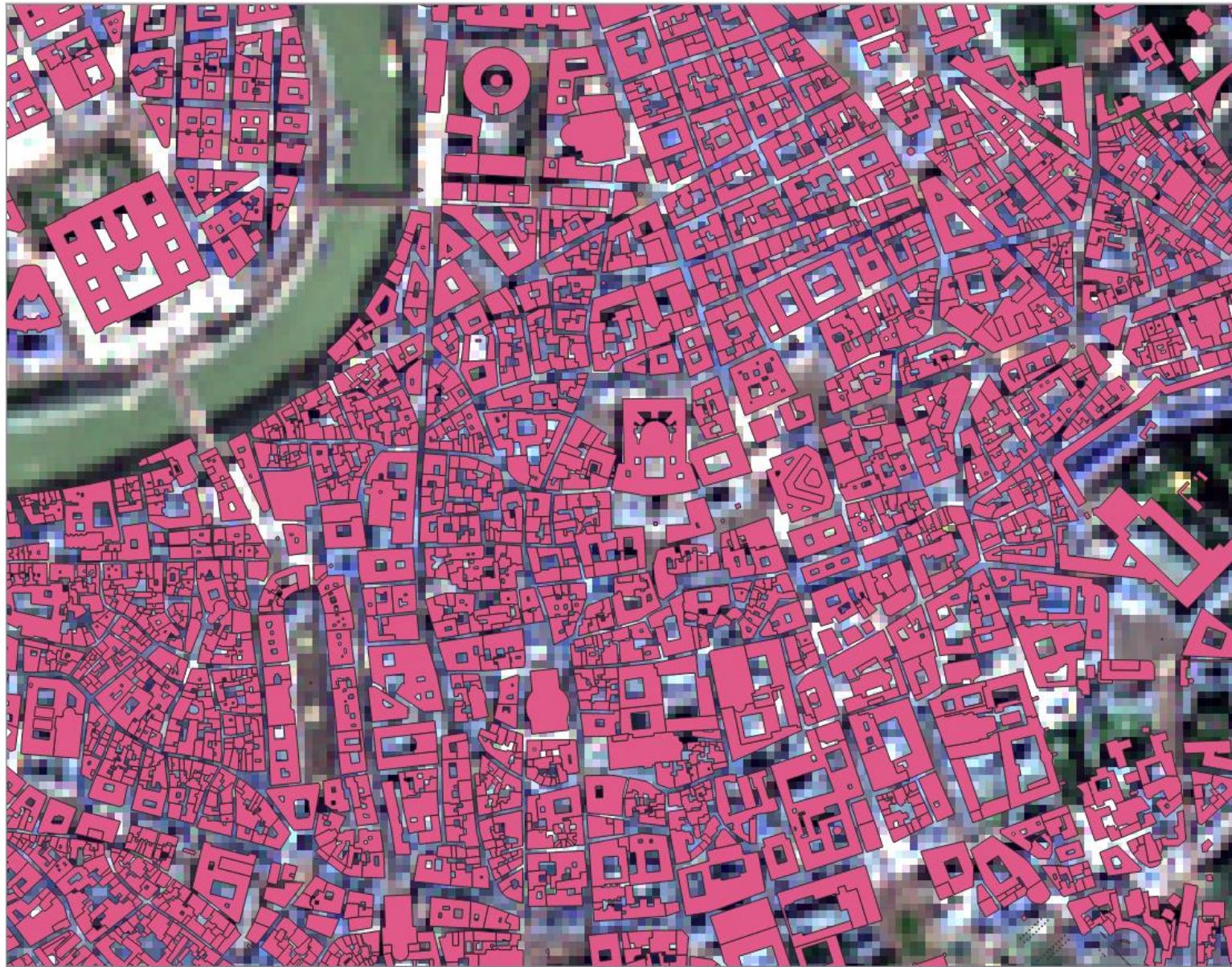


Satellite Images (PIXEL RESOLUTION)



CHALLENGES

Misalignment between GT and satellite images



Time series challenges

- Coregistration
- Different light condition
- No-data interpolation



AI4EO tools



eo-learn makes extraction of valuable information from satellite imagery easy.



openEO develops an open API to connect R, Python, JavaScript and other clients to big Earth observation cloud back-ends in a simple and unified way.



Open Interoperable platform for unified access and analysis of earth observation data

neat-EO

Efficient AI4EO OpenSource framework



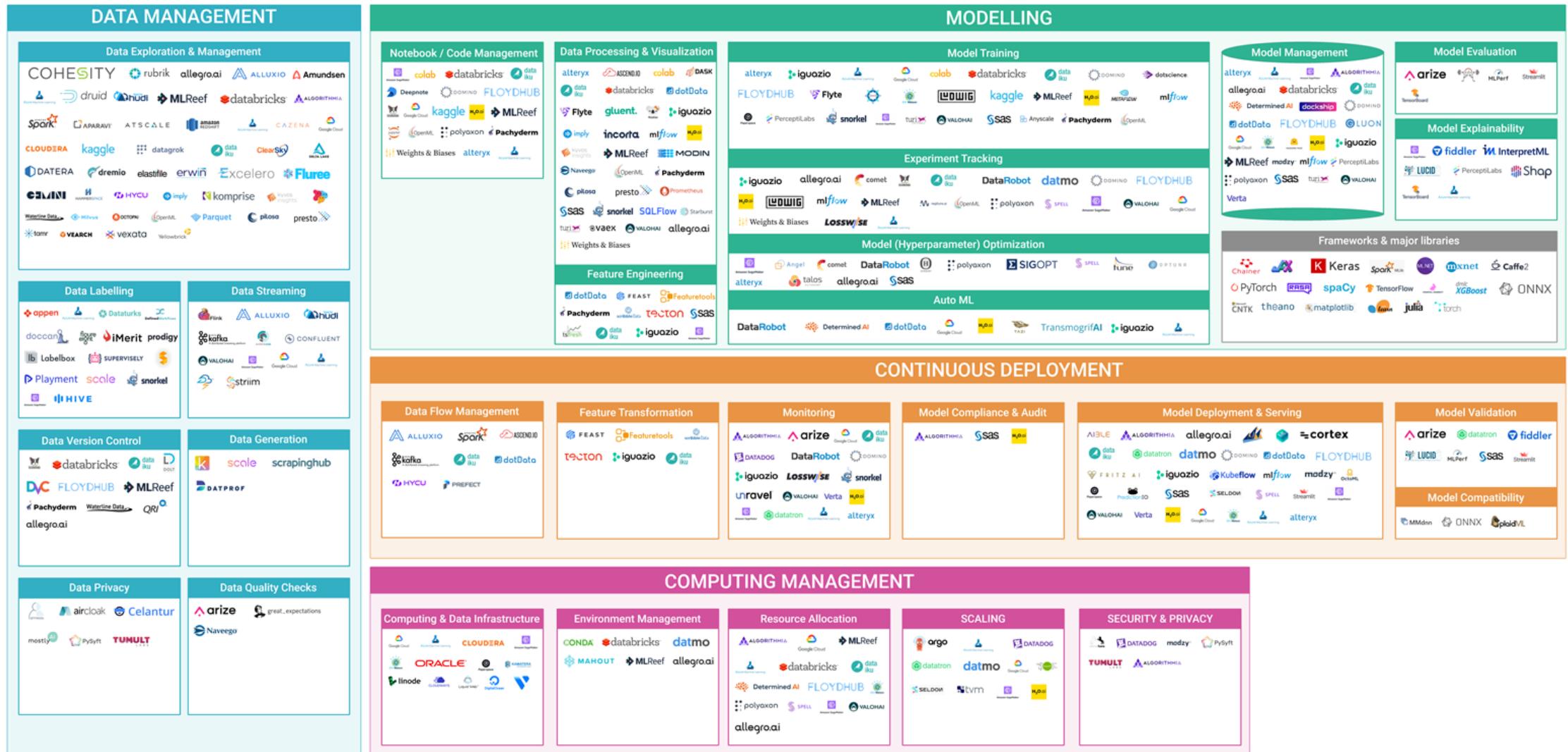
COPERNICUS ACCESS
PLATFORM INTERMEDIATE
LAYERS SMALL SCALE
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Copernicus and Sentinel data at your **fingertips** alongside cloud computing resources and tools

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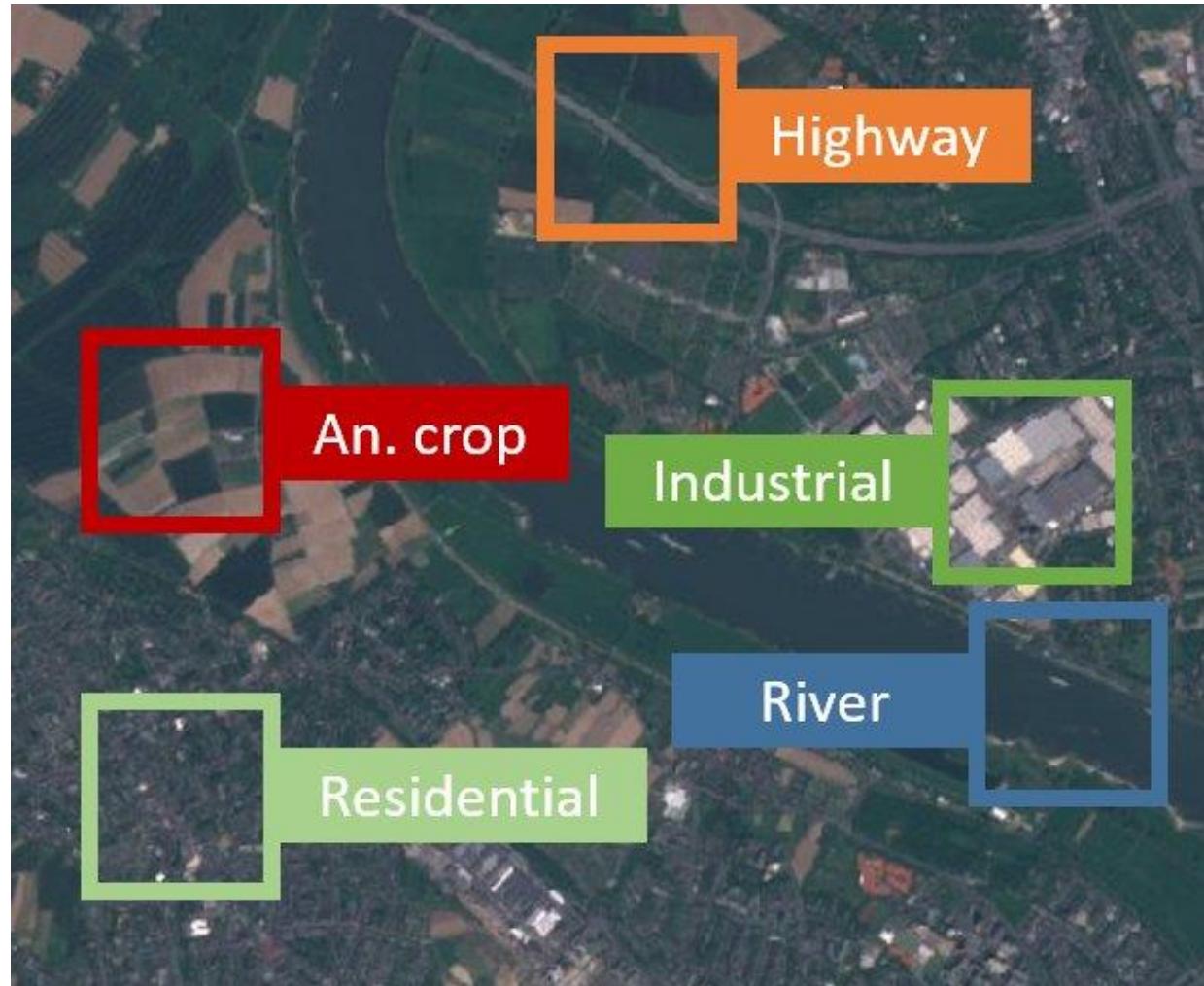




Machine Learning and Deep Learning EO Applications

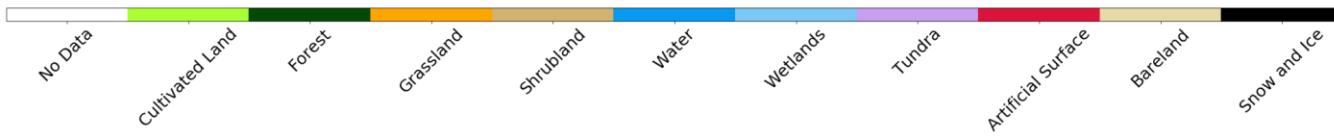


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Sensor:	Optical -WV3
Resolution:	VHR-0.5m
Bands:	RGB
Training:	SpaceNet
Method:	MaskRCNN



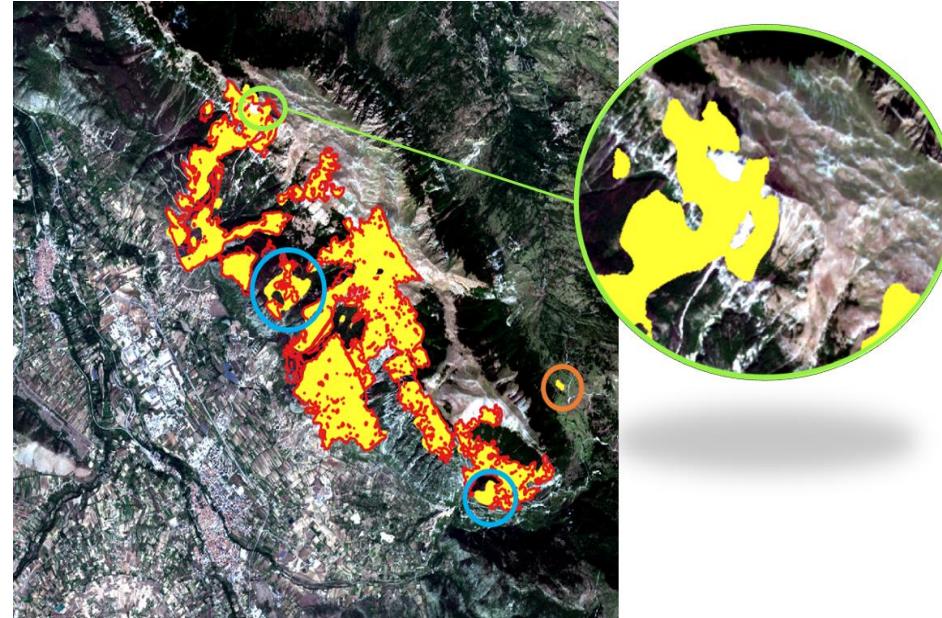
Topic:	LULC (tile based)
Sensor:	multispectral-S2
Resolution:	medium-10m
Bands:	13
Training:	EuroSAT
Method:	ResNet-50

Pixel based - LCLU



Topic: LCLU (pixel based)
Sensor: multispectral - S2 TS
Resolution: medium - 10m
Training: provided by government
Method: LGBM-UNet

Change detection



Topic:	uns. Change detection
Sensor:	multispectral - S2 pre-post
Resolution:	medium - 10m
Bands:	12
Method:	Autoencoder

Change detection



ML+DL



Topic:	uns/sup Change detection
Sensor:	multispectral - S2 TS and pre-post
Resolution:	medium - 10m
Bands:	12
Bands:	Onera Satellite Change Detection
Method:	RF + change point det + Unet



17 May 2019

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AIRBUS

Topic:

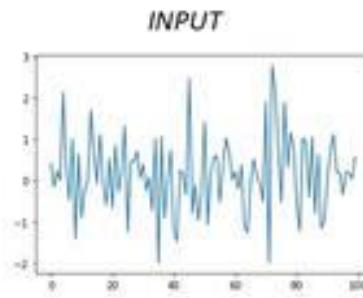
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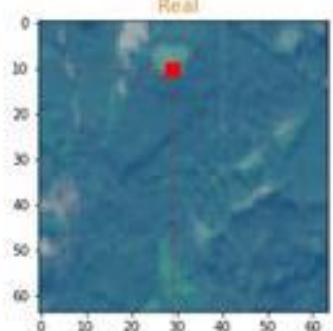
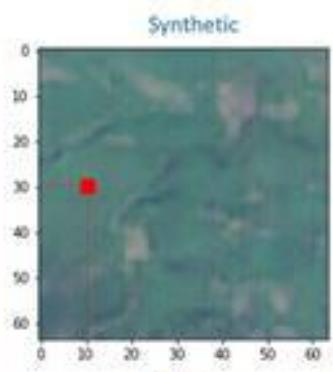
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VHR - Pléiades - SPOT

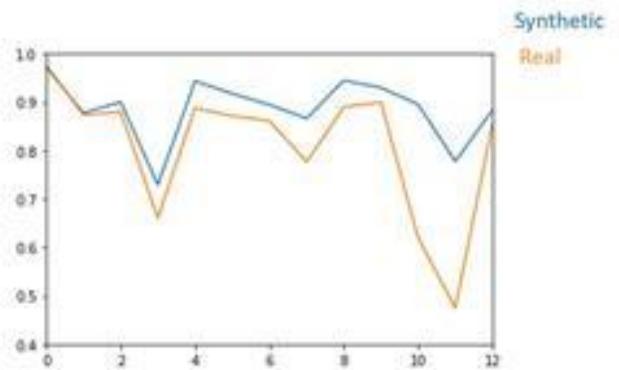
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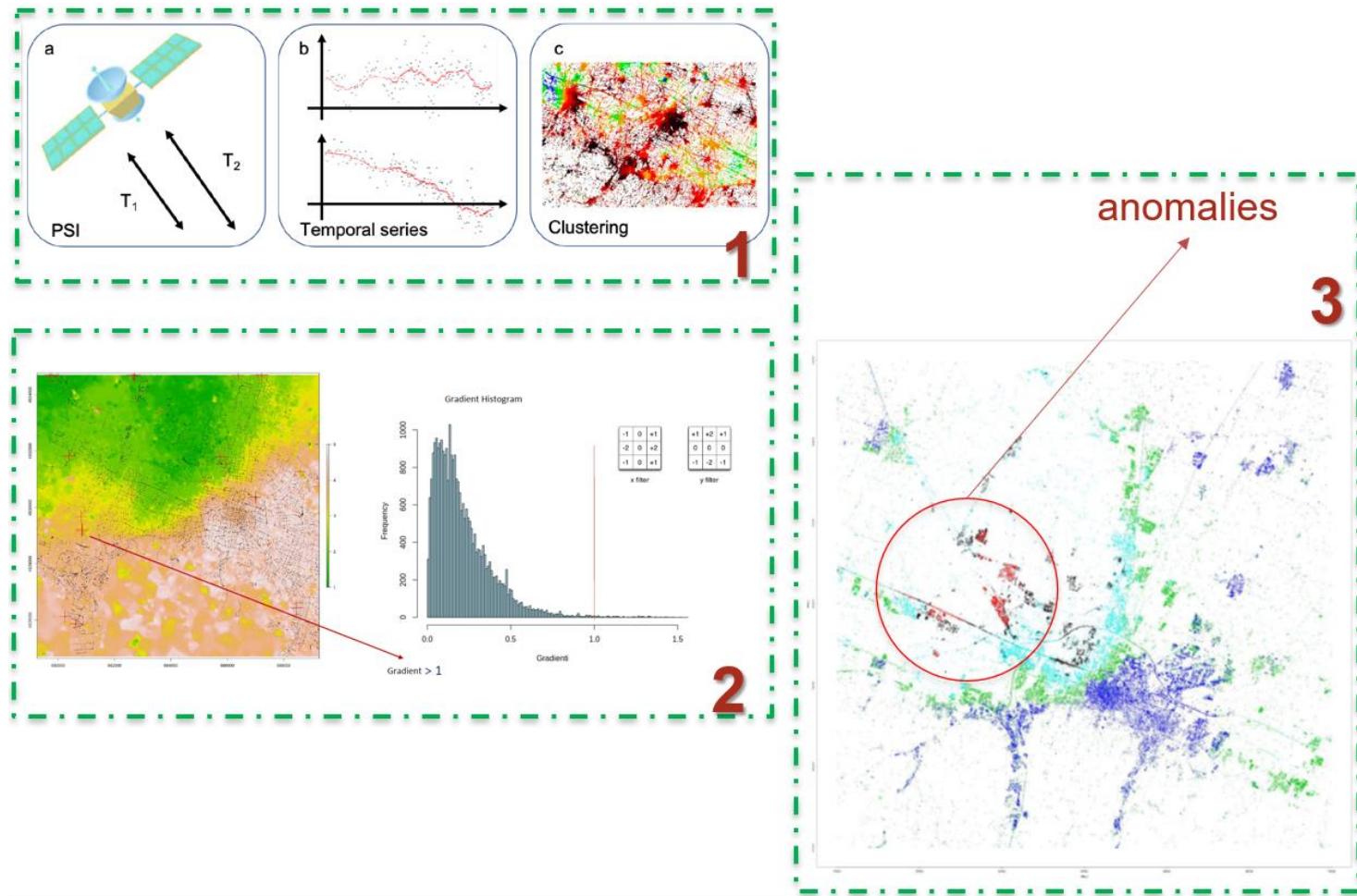


GAN



Topic: Data Augmentation
Sensor: multispectral - S2
Resolution: medium - 10m
Bands: 12
Training: EuroSAT
Method: GANs



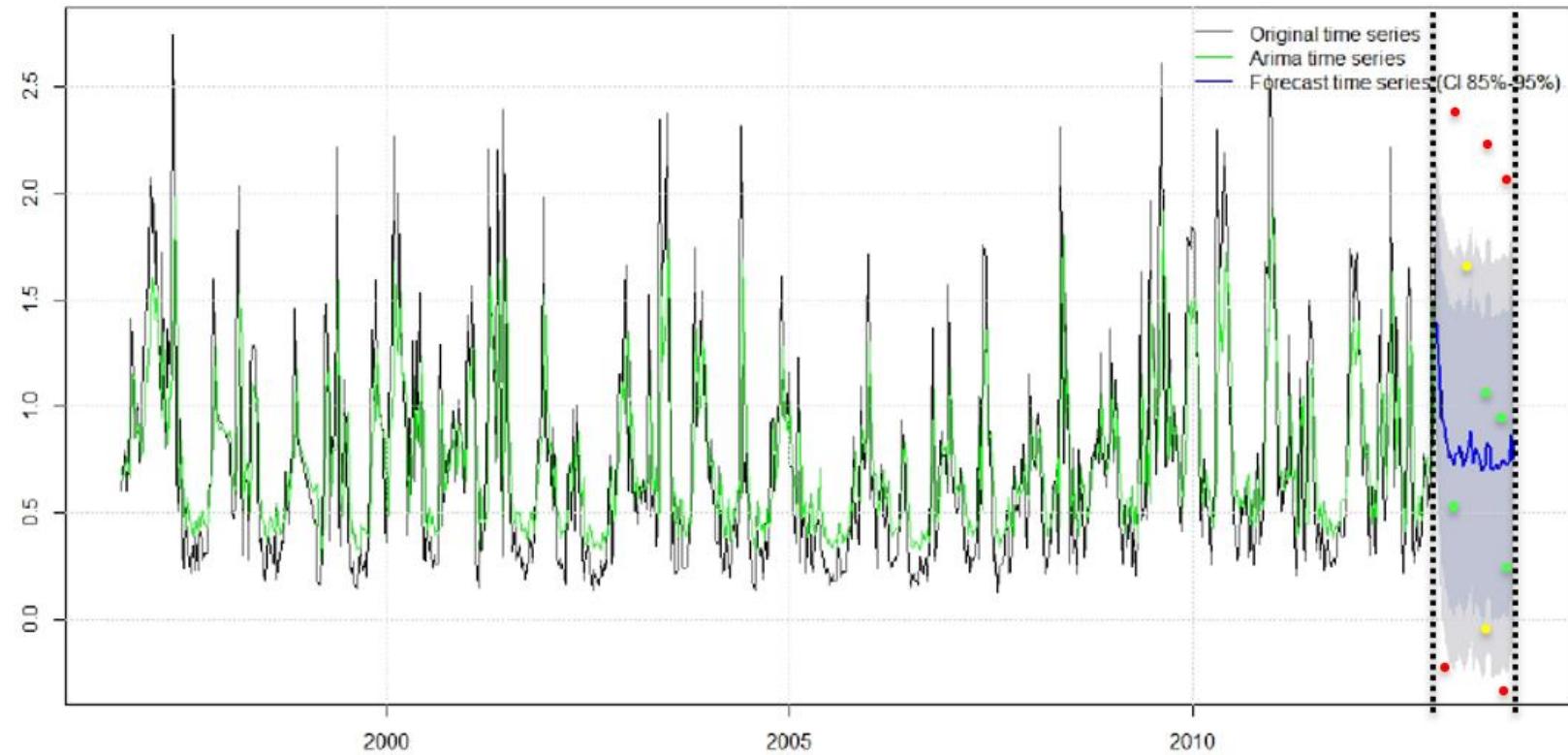


Topic:	Clustering PS
Data:	PS from S1
PS Num:	~10M
Clusters:	5
Method:	K-Means

MDPI and ACS Style

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Chlorophyll TS data



Topic:	Anomaly detection
Data:	Marine data
Rate:	Weekly
Method:	LSTM+ARIMA

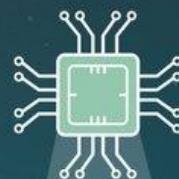
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Demonstrating the potential of AI for Earth observation



Φ-sat-1 is a new artificial intelligence experiment carried on the Federated Satellite Systems (**FSSCat**) mission

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Φ-sat-1 technology processes data on board



Detecting clouds in the images



Eliminating images with too much **cloud cover**



Returning only **usable data** to Earth



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shadowed coffee
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