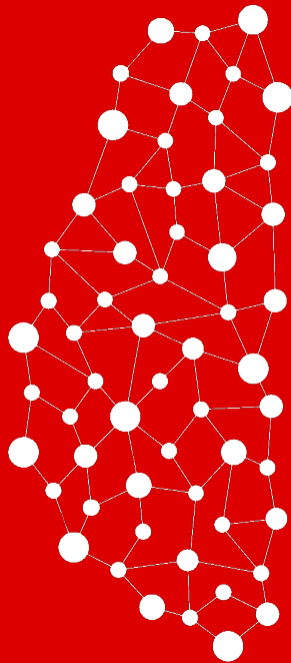
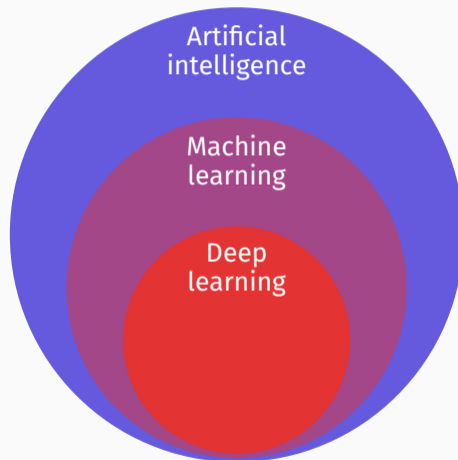


Enabling deep learning in small MRI datasets with transfer learning

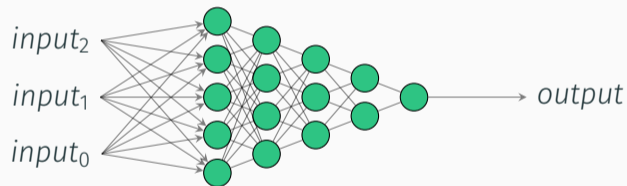


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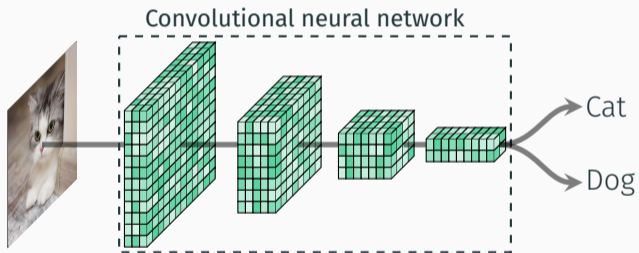




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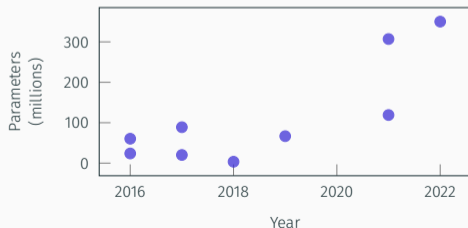


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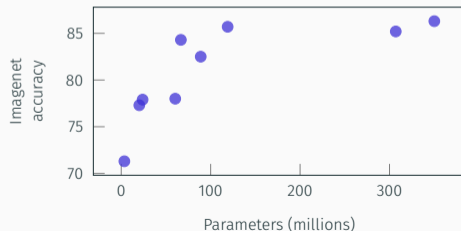
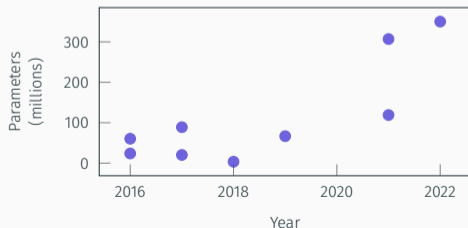
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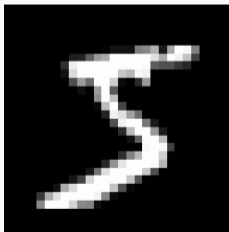
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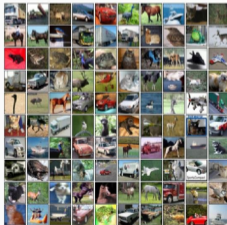
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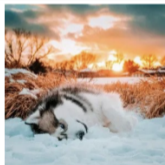


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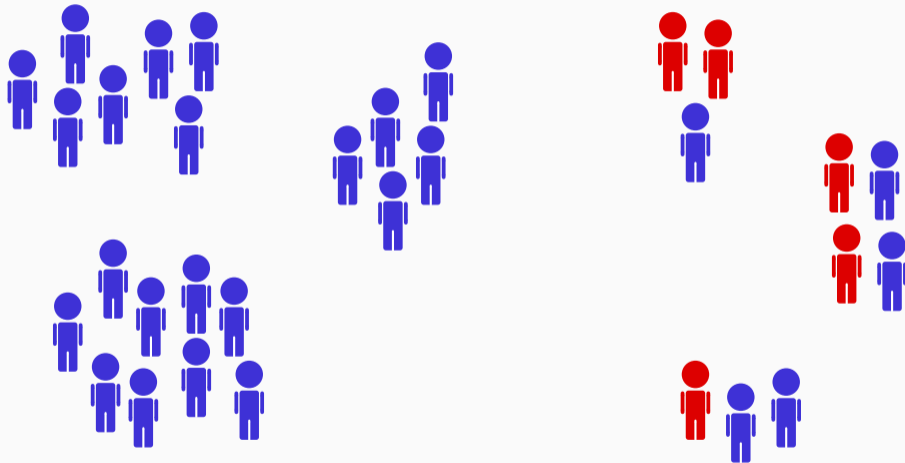
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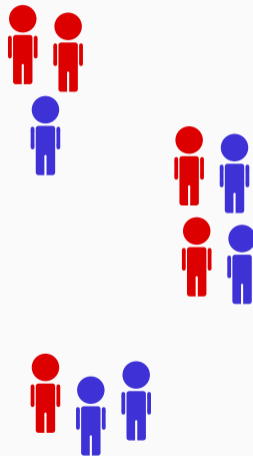
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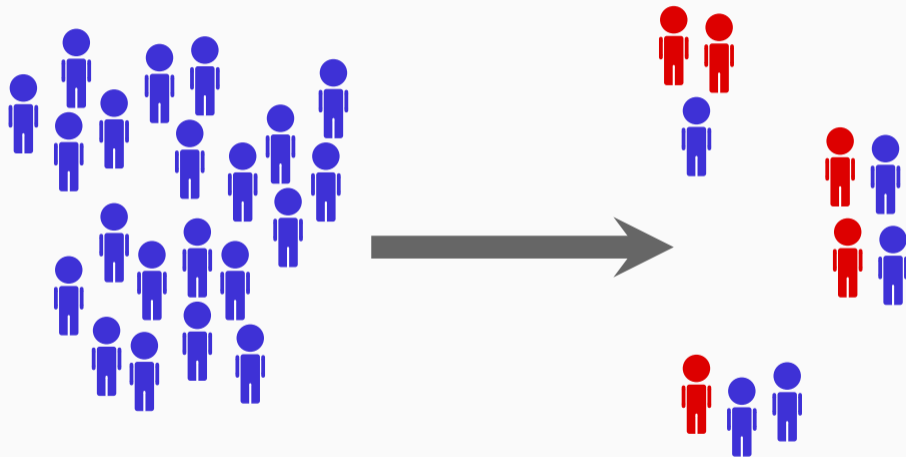
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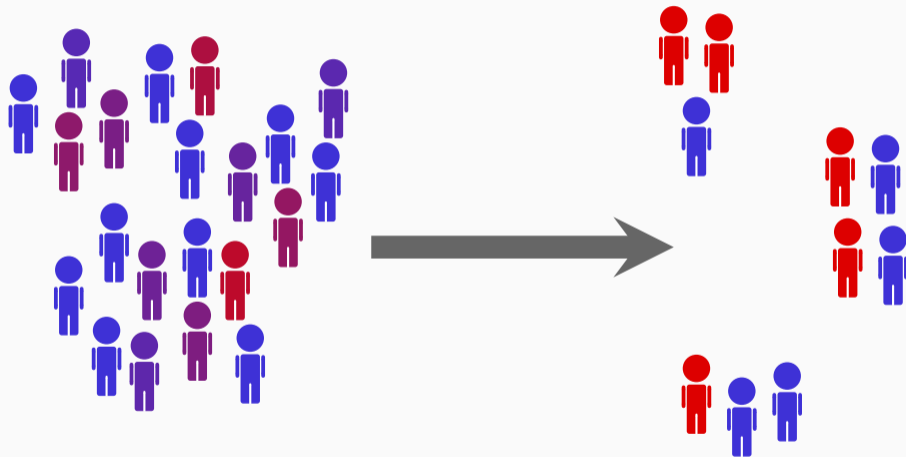
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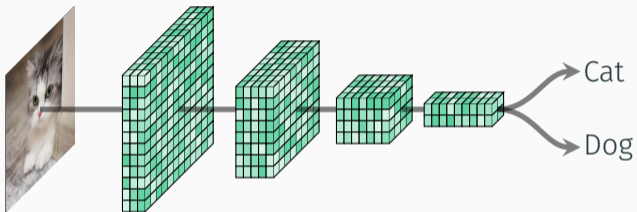


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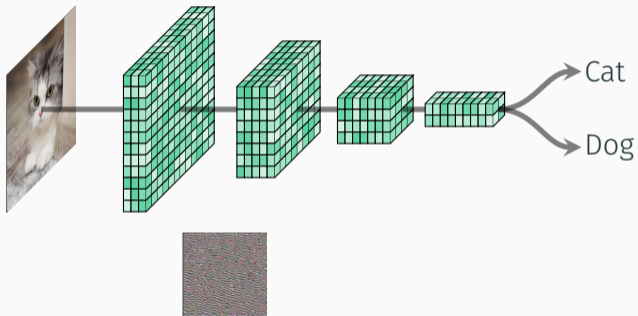


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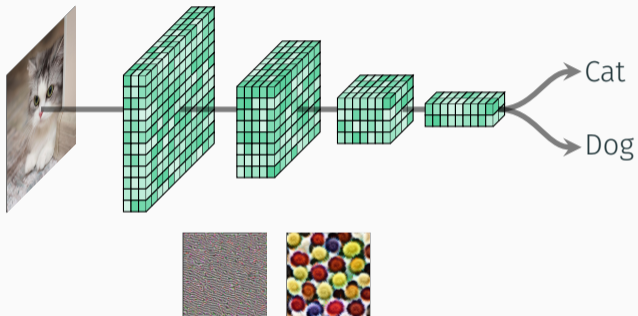
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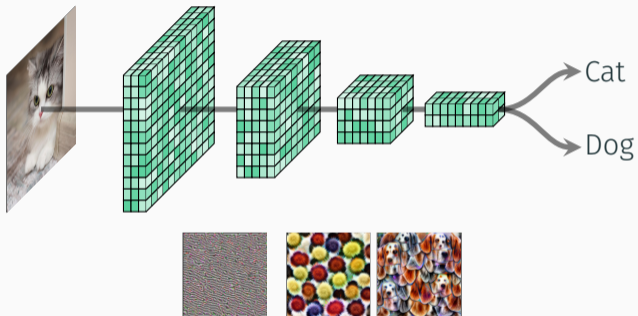
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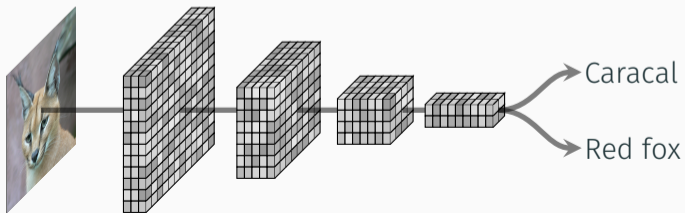
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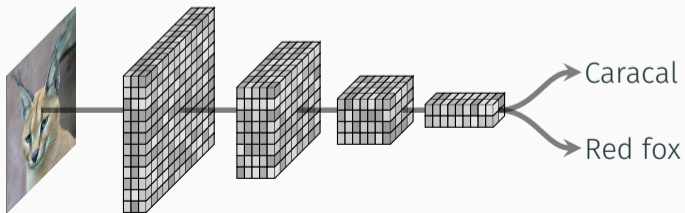
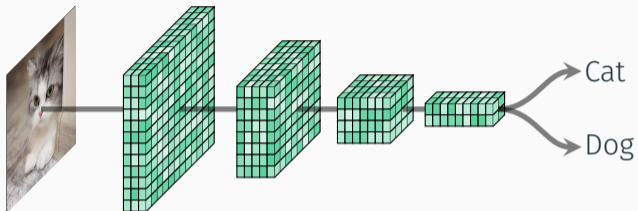
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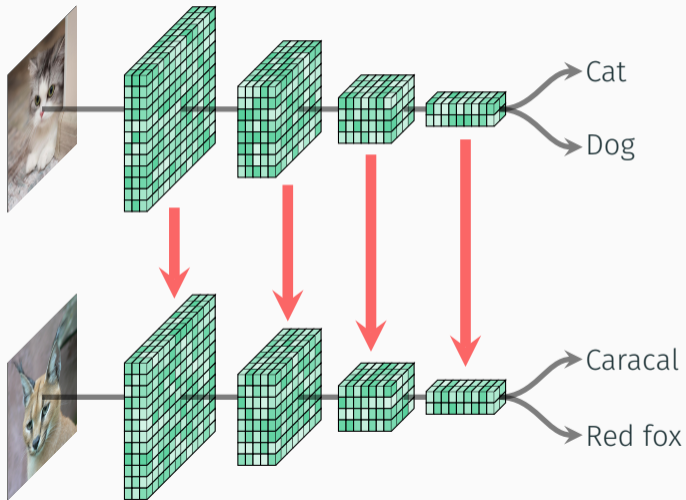
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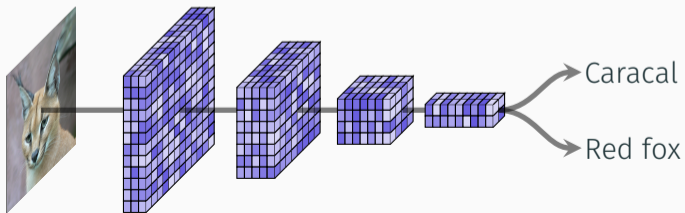
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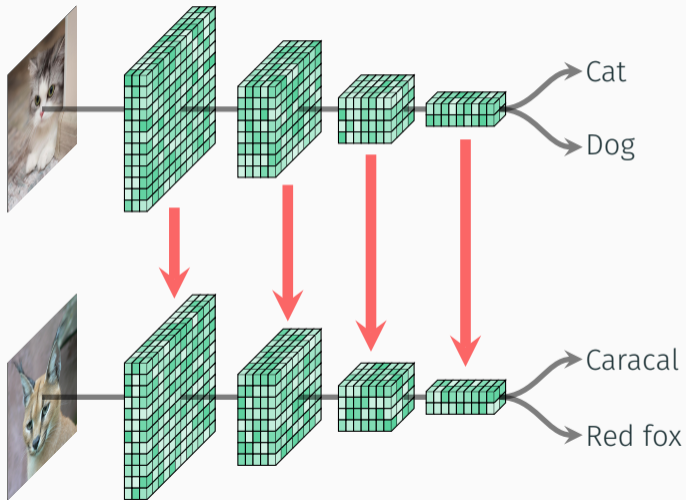
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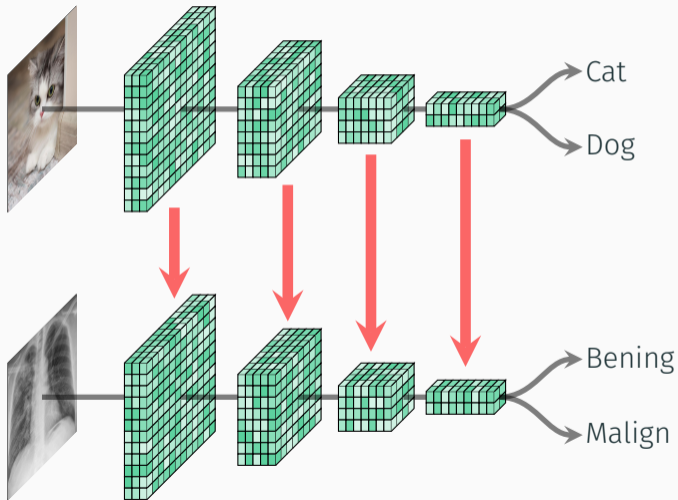
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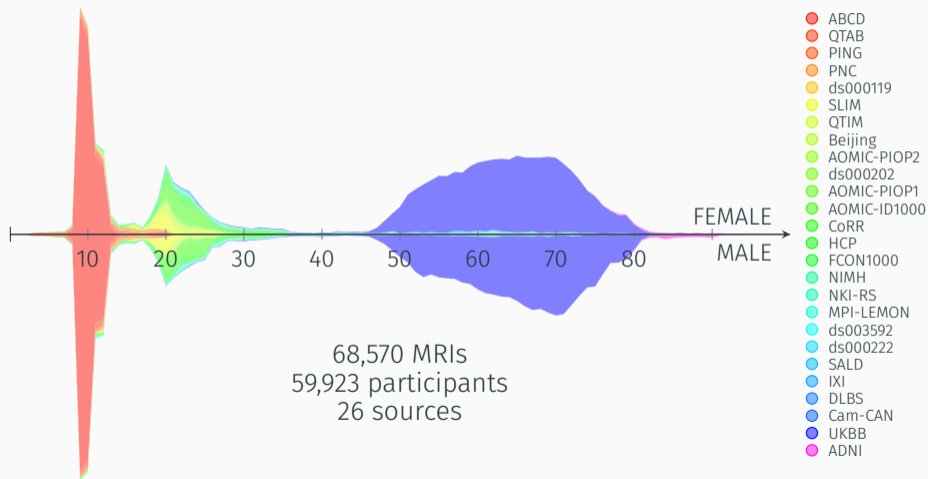


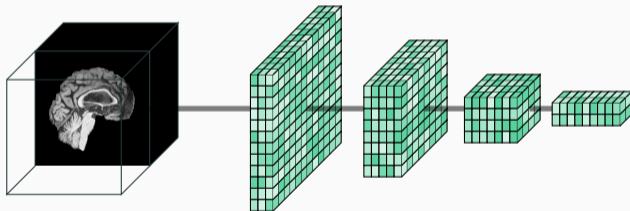
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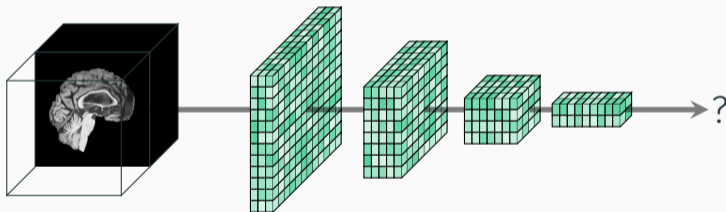


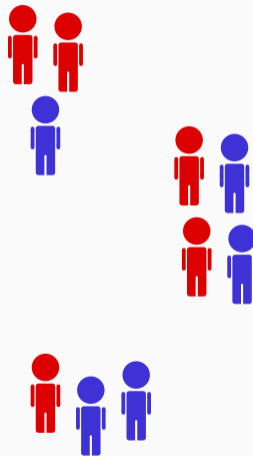
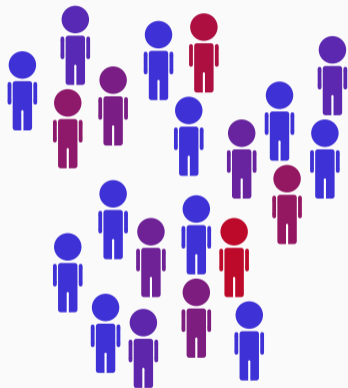
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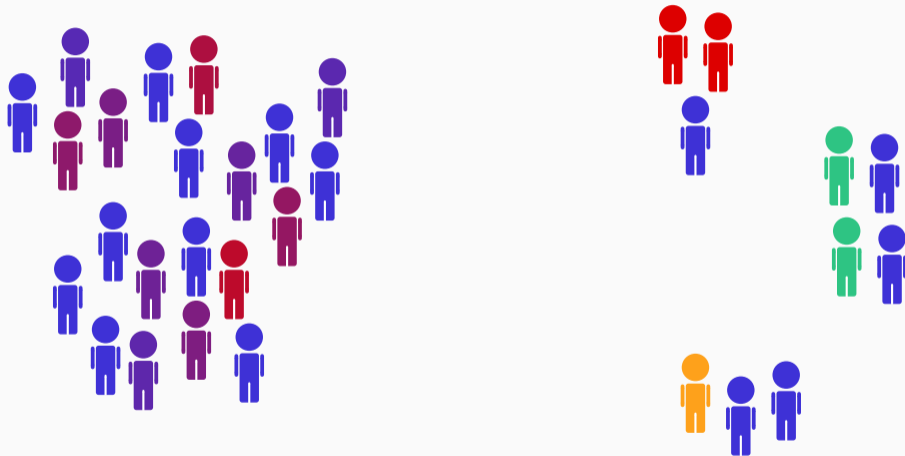
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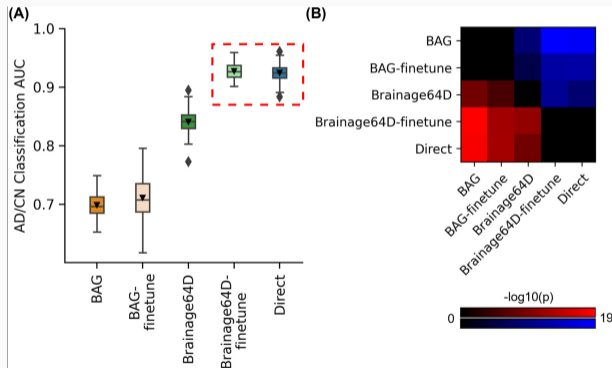




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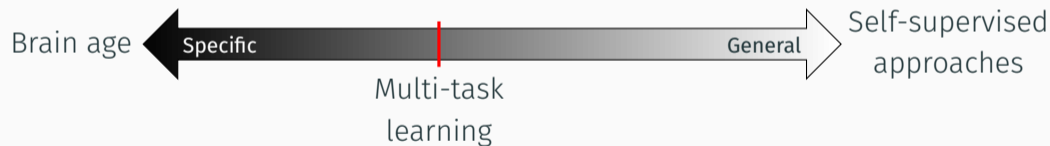
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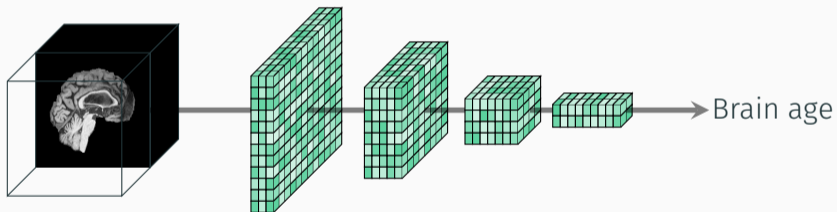
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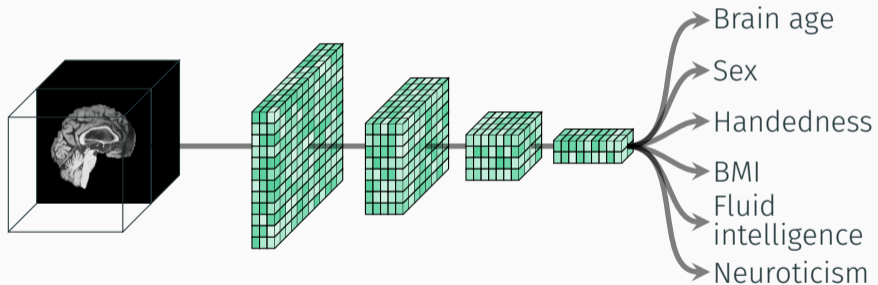




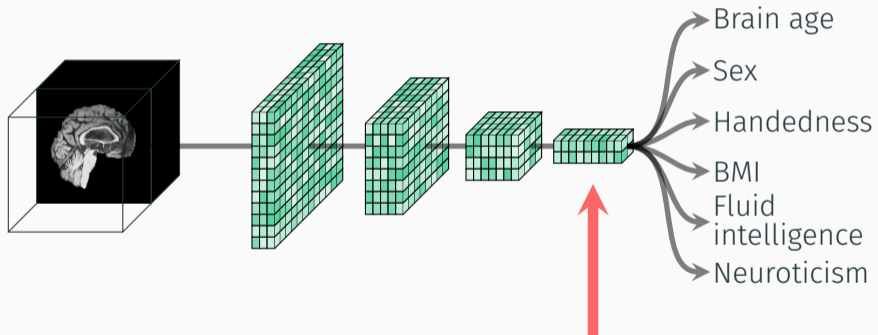
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BMI	0.52	0.04	0	1	-0.03	-0.05
Fluid intelligence	-0.1	-0.15	0.03	-0.03	1	-0.04
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