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Gradient Weighted Class Activation Maps

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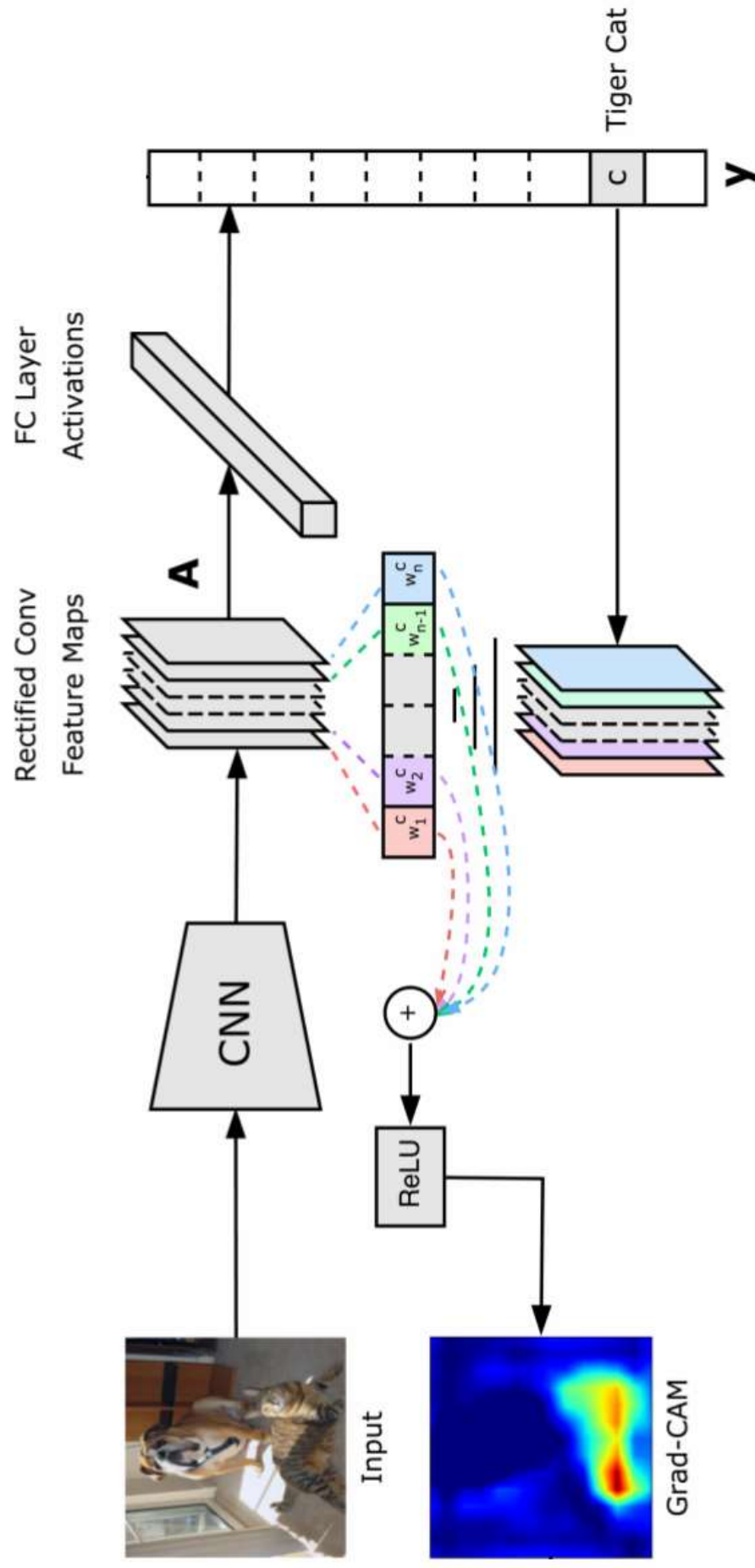


Model-Specific Approaches

- Guided Backpropagation
- Class Activations Maps
- **Gradient Weighted Class Activation Maps (GRAD-CAM)**
- **Guided Grad-CAM**



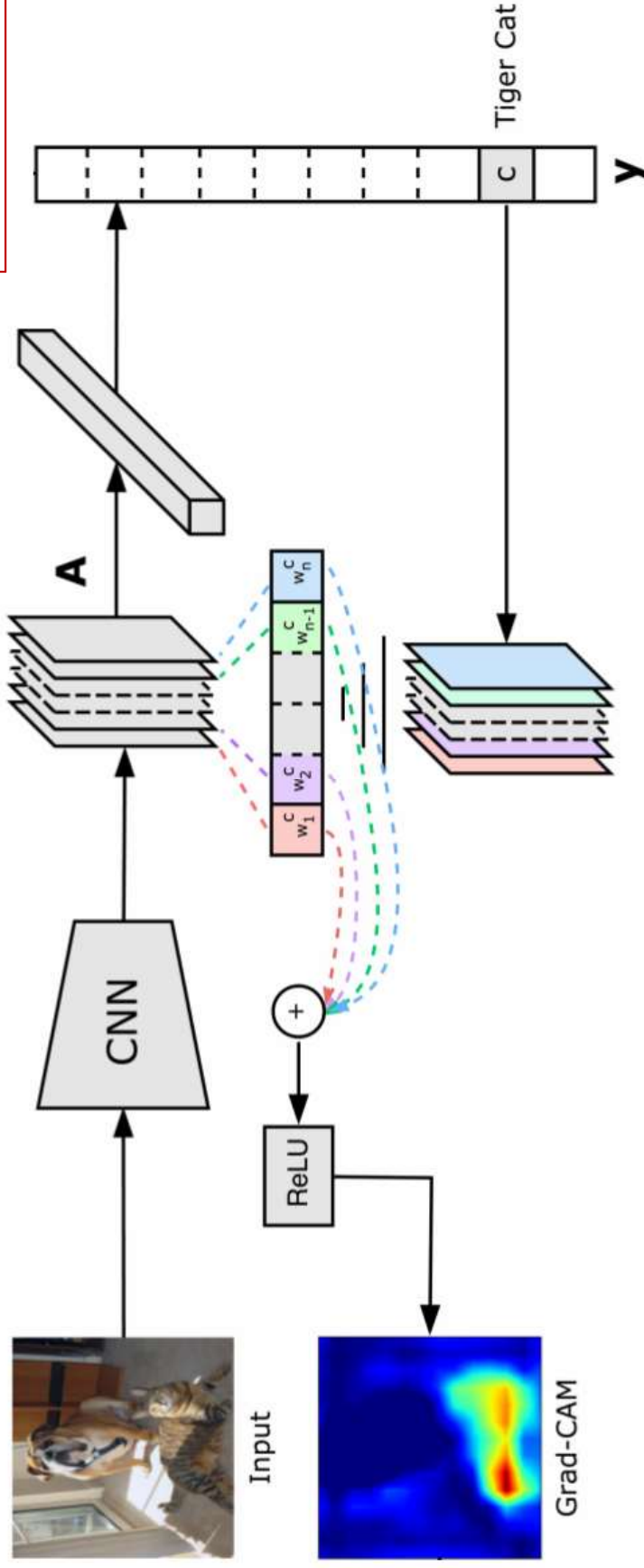
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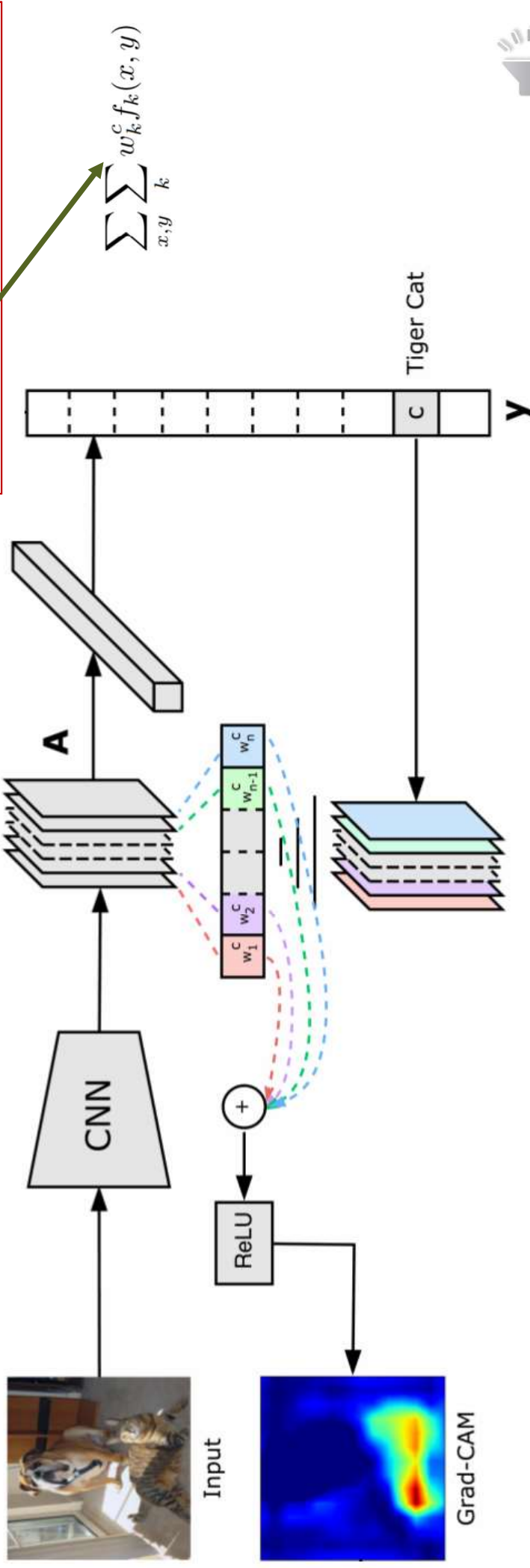


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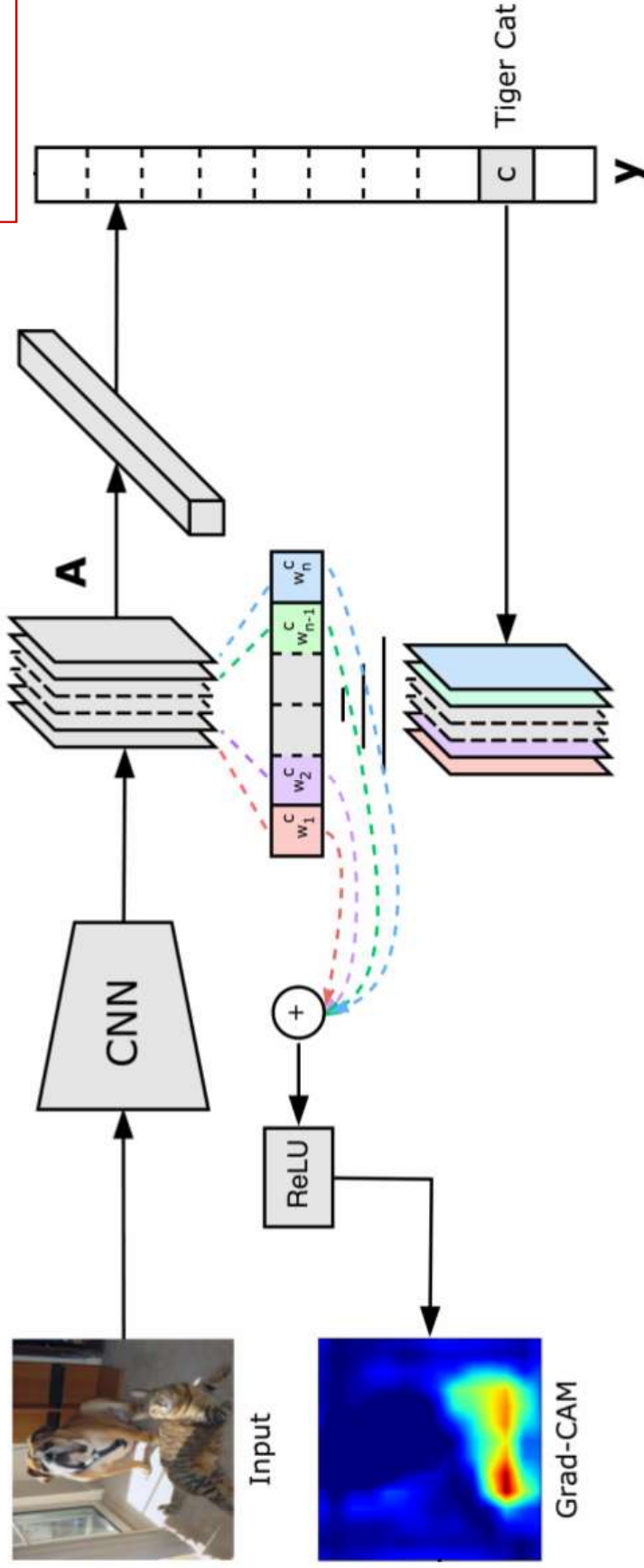


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$$L_{\text{Grad-CAM}}^c = \text{ReLU} \left(\underbrace{\sum_k \alpha_k^c A^k}_{\text{linear combination}} \right)$$



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GRAD-CAM over CAM

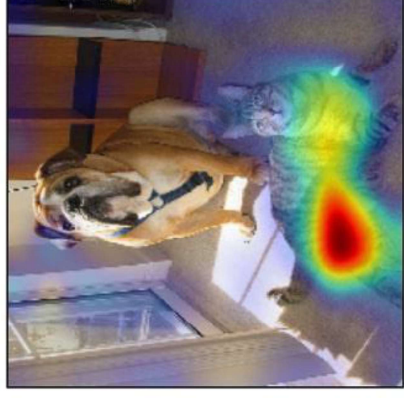
- Grad-CAM is a generalization of CAM
- Grad-CAM provides visualizations for a large family of CNNs:
 - CNNs with fully connected layers
 - CNNs used for structured output
 - CNNs used in tasks with multi-modal inputs
- Grad-CAM does not require retraining the deep neural network



Grad-CAM



Guided Backpropagation
'Cat'



Grad-CAM 'Cat'



Guided Backpropagation
'Dog'



Grad-CAM 'Dog'

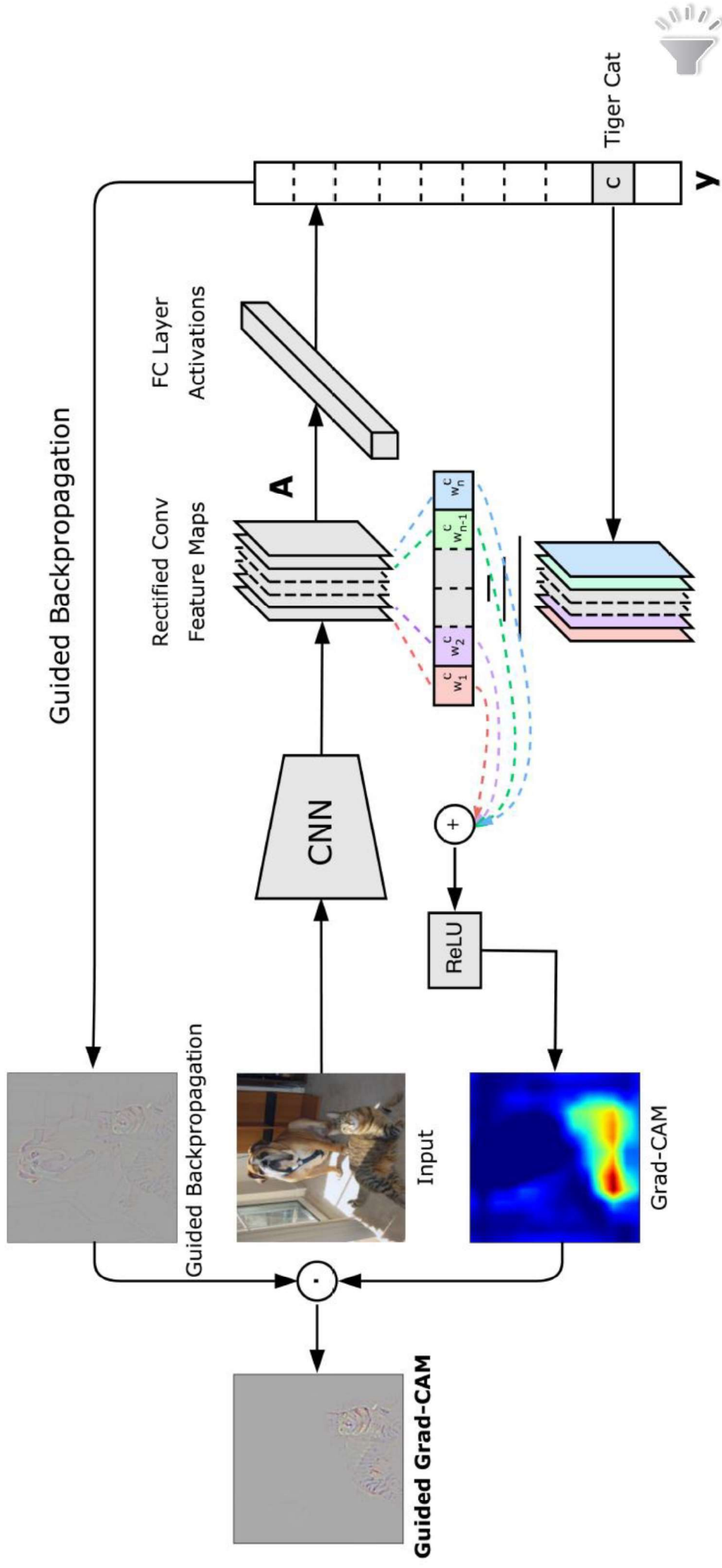
Class-discriminative ✓

High-resolution ✗

It can apply in more architectures ✓



Guided GRAD-CAM

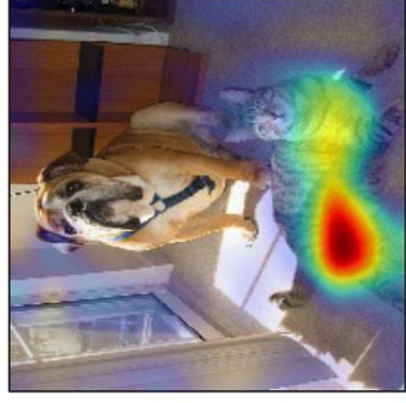


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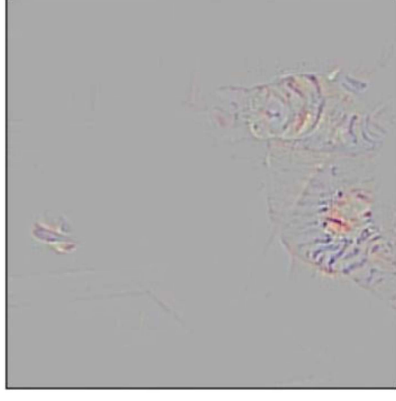
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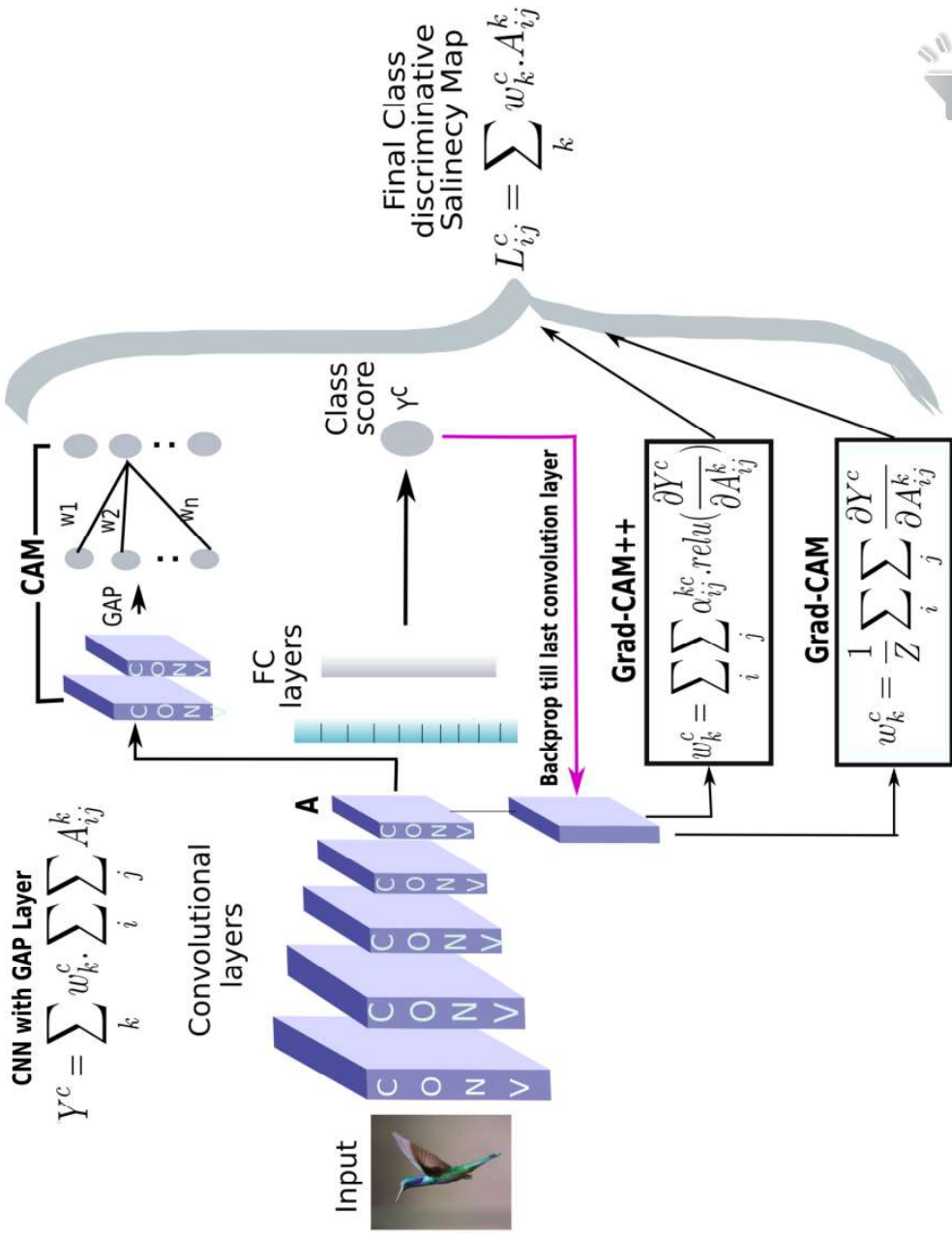


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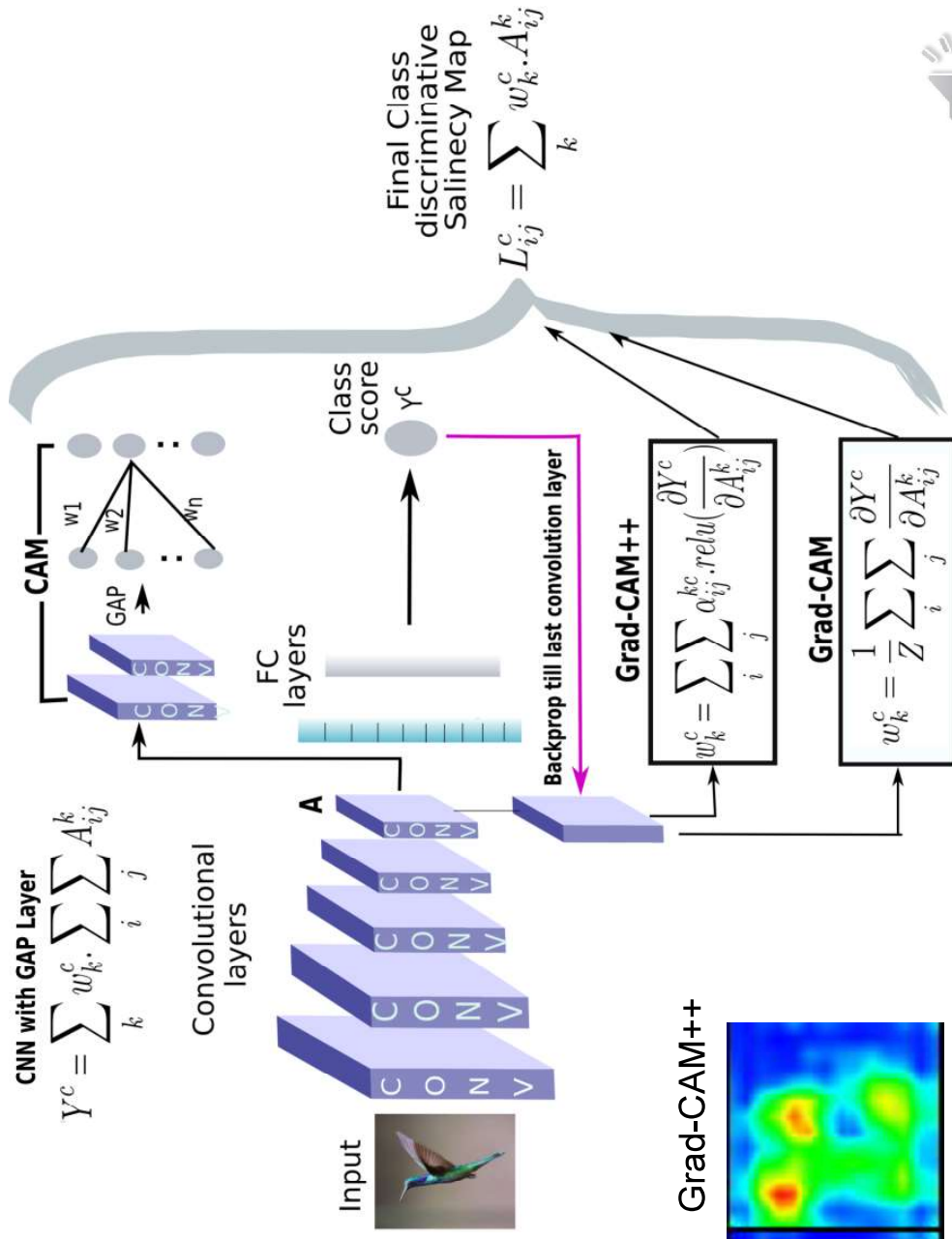
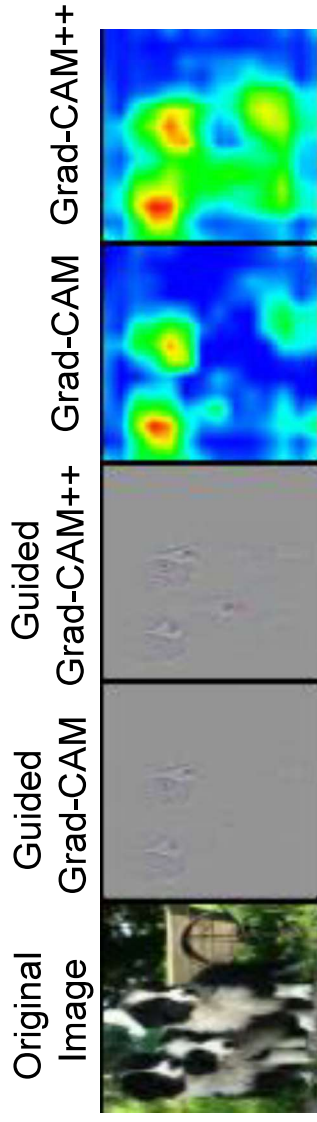
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Summary

- Grad-CAM is a generation of Class Activation Mapping that allows more flexibility with relation to the network architectures
- Grad-CAM can be combined with Guided-Backpropagation to provide both class-discriminative and high-resolution visualization maps
- Several variants of Grad-CAM method have been also developed, such as Grad-CAM++



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