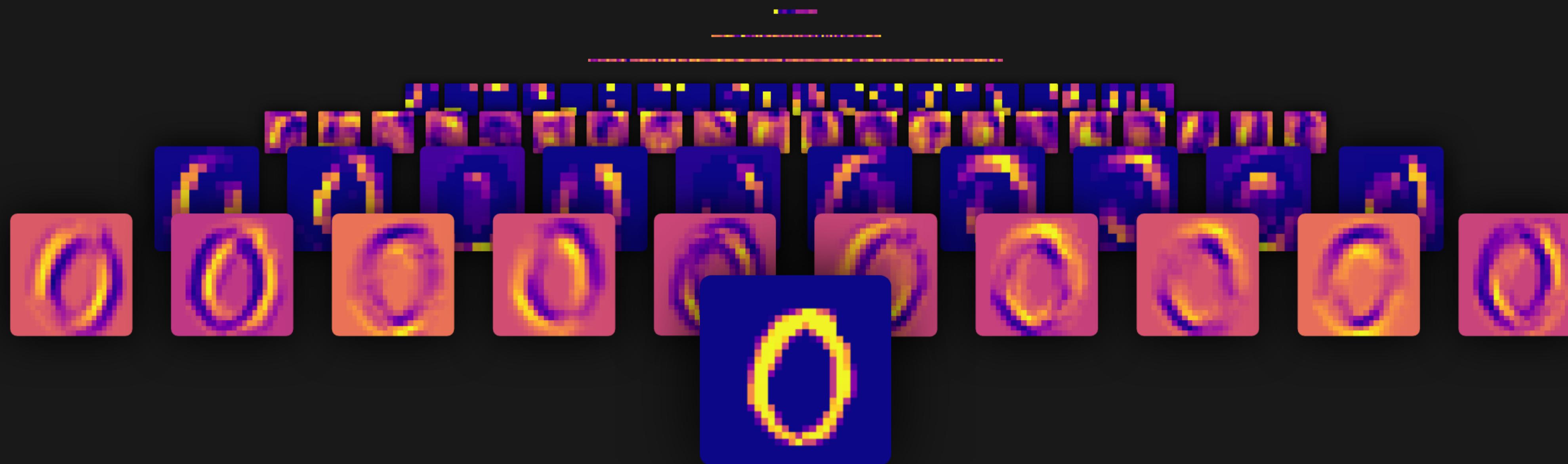


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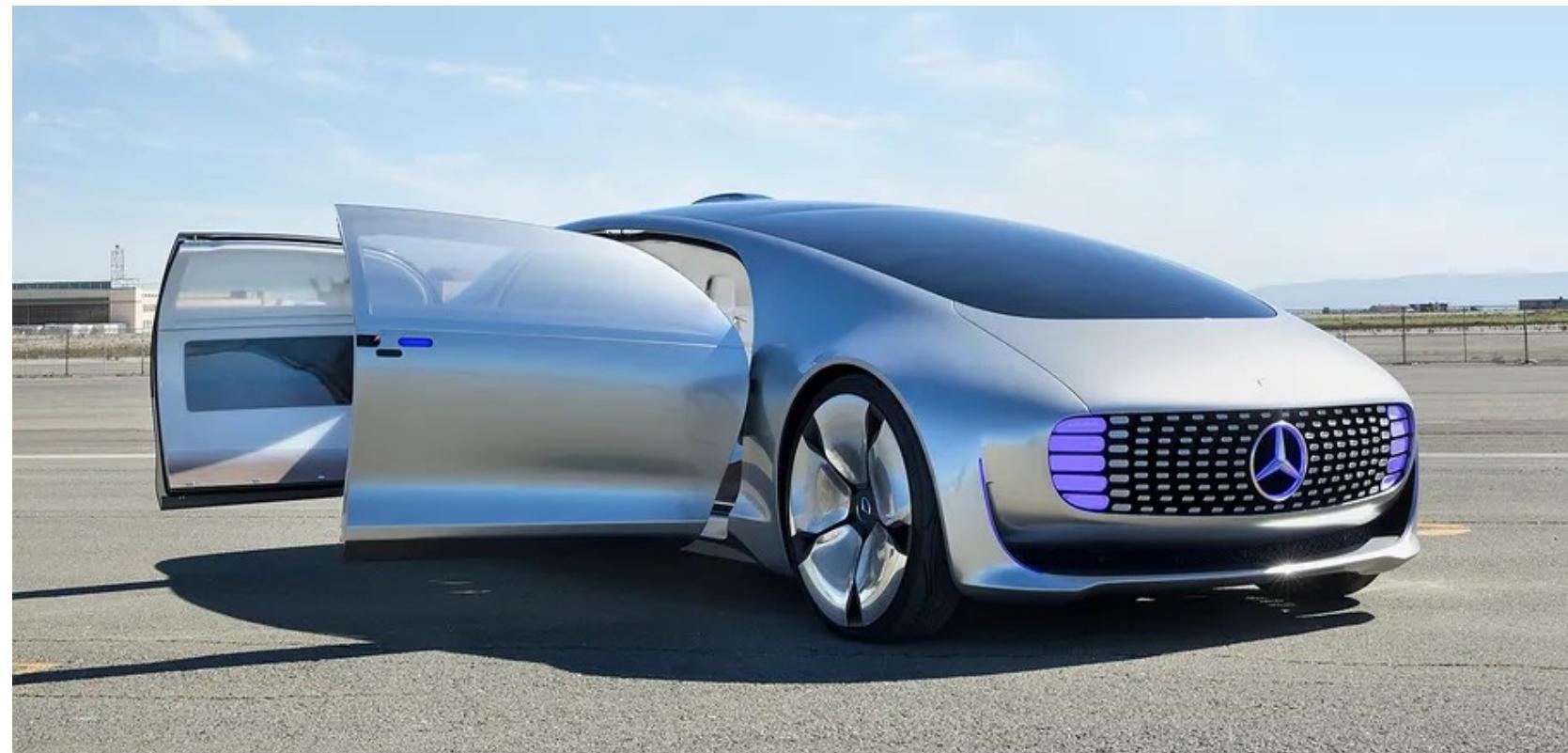
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# Analysis on Neural Networks

## Motivation

Self-driving cars



<https://www.wired.com/2017/04/mercedes-promises-self-driving-taxis-just-three-years/>

Healthcare



<https://www.medgadget.com/2019/08/healthcare-analytics-market-2019-industry-analysis-size-share-upcoming-trends-segmentation-forecast-to-2025-cagr-of-26-48.html>

Cyber-security



<https://www.news18.com/news/tech/hacker-group-darkside-suspected-of-carrying-cyber-attack-on-top-us-pipeline-operator-colonial-3723686.html>

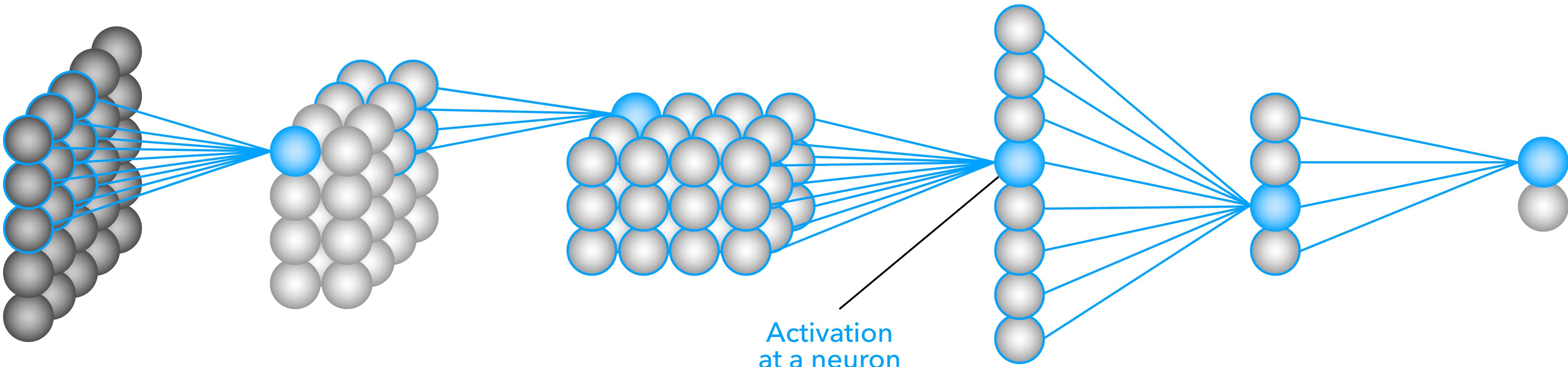
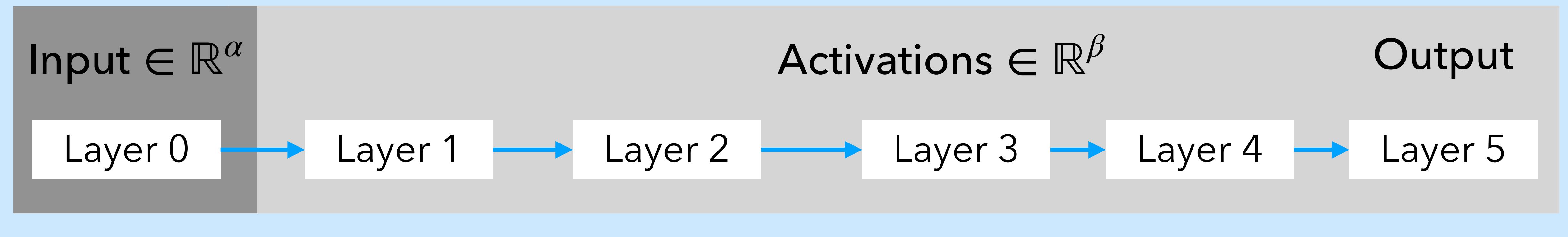
Ethics



<https://todaysveterinarybusiness.com/practice-without-prejudice/>

# Neural Networks (NN)

Activation pattern  $\in \mathbb{R}^{\alpha+\beta}$



# A CAUSAL SHIFT AND FOURIER TRANSFORM ON DIRECTED ACYCLIC GRAPHS

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## ABSTRACT

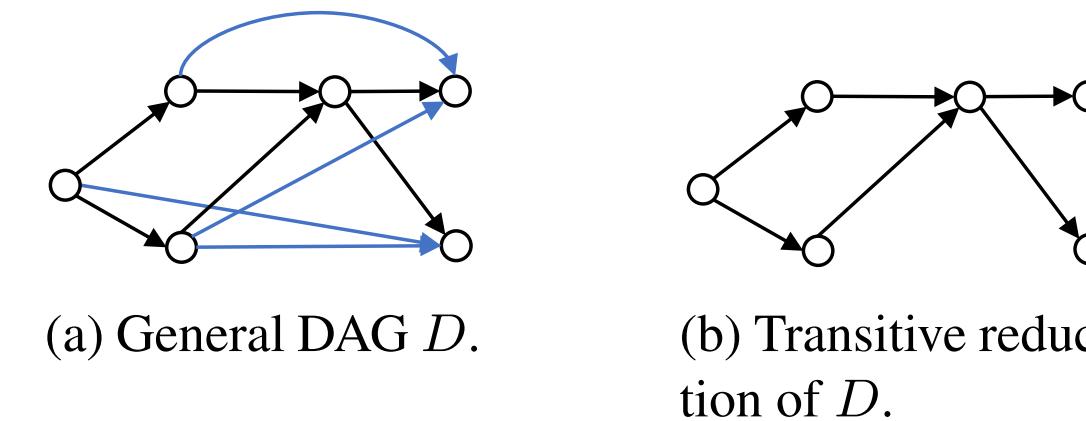
We introduce a notion of shift on signals indexed by the causal structure of a directed acyclic graph. We derive associated notions of convolution and causal Fourier transform. As application we learn Fourier-sparse signals on a dynamic contact tracing network, modeling the spread of an infectious disease. The proposed approach considerably outperforms similar approaches using graph signal processing.

**Index Terms**— directed acyclic graph, partially ordered set, algebraic signal processing, causality, infectious disease

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Causality is a recurring theme in science [1] and has recently gained considerable interest in machine learning [2–4]. The concept of causality is intimately connected to directed acyclic graphs (DAGs) that model the causal dependence between events. In this paper we are concerned with Fourier analysis of signals or data on DAGs.

Graph signal processing (GSP) [5, 6] is meanwhile well-



**Fig. 1:** The graph in (b) is the transitive reduction of the one in (a). The blue edges in (a) do not contain additional information about the partial order and thus can be removed.

GSP performs significantly worse.

## 2. DAGS AND POSETS

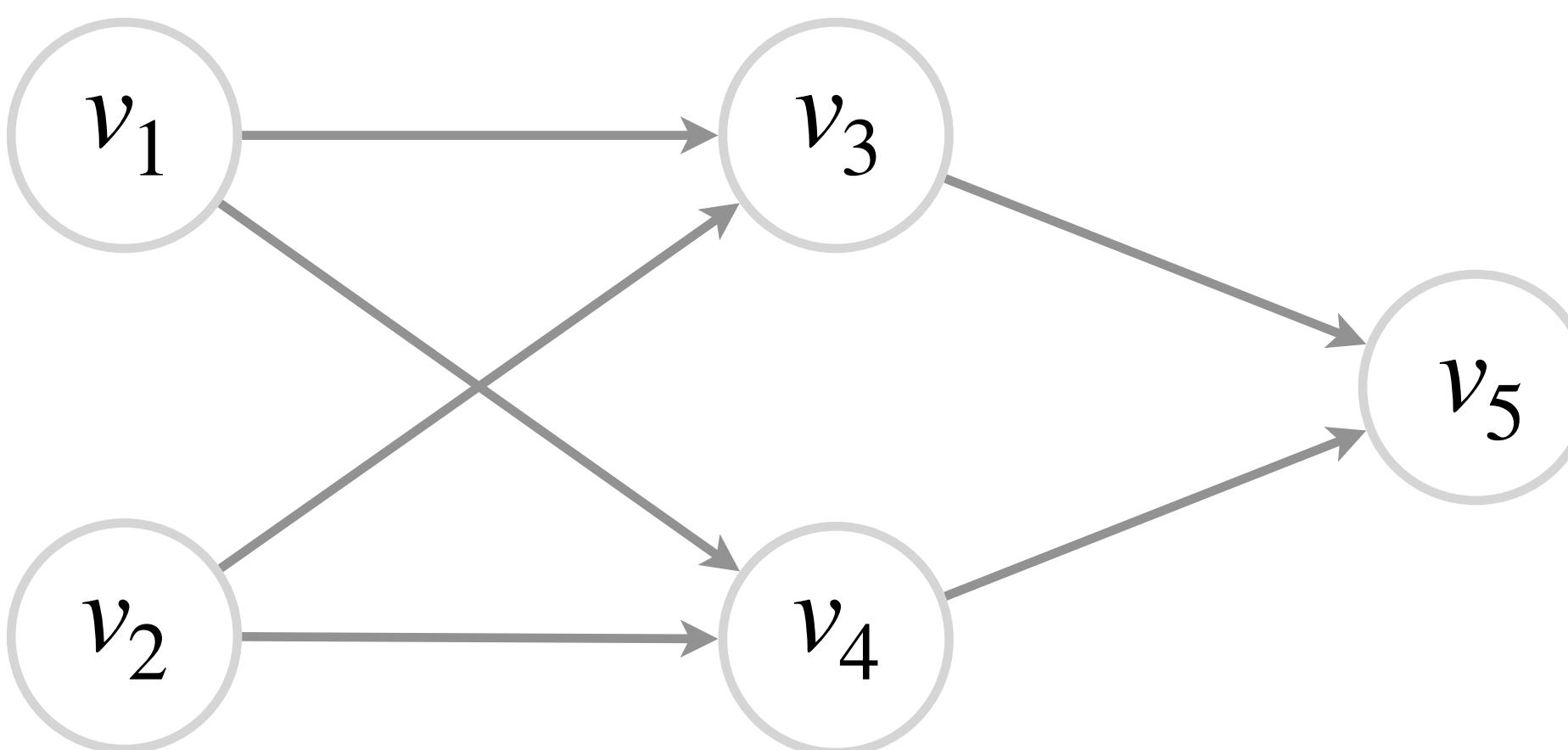
We provide the necessary background on DAGs and their relation to partially ordered sets.

**DAGs.** A directed graph  $D = (V, E)$  consists of a set of nodes  $V$  and a set of directed edges  $E = \{(v_i, v_j) \mid v_i, v_j \in V\}$ .

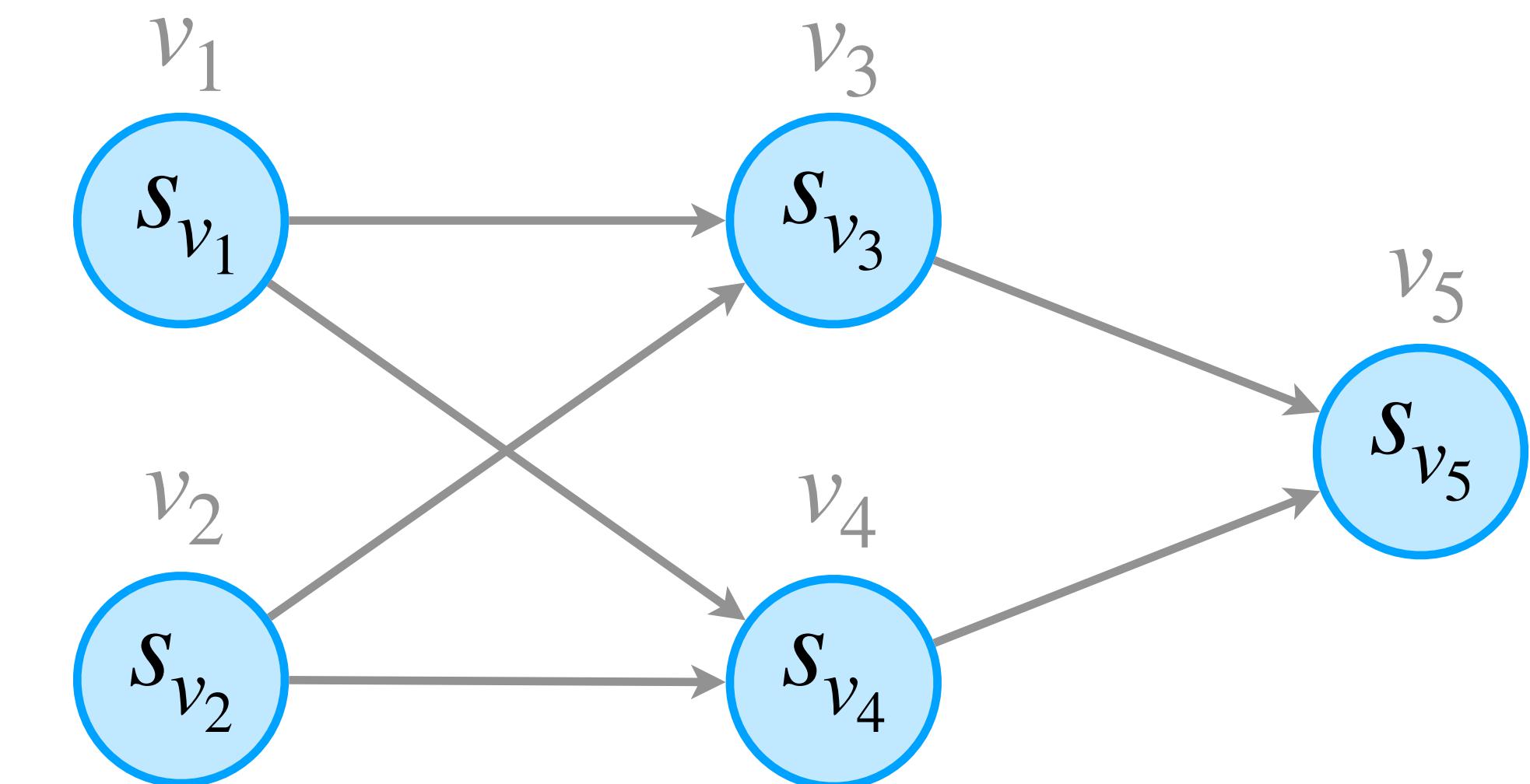
# Causal Signal Processing (CSP)

## Data-domain

Directed acyclic graph  $G = (V, E)$



Signal  $s \in \mathbb{R}^{|V|}$



Intuition:

$$s_x = \sum_{y \leq x, y \in V} \hat{s}_y$$

Causes

$$s_{v_3} = \hat{s}_{v_1} + \hat{s}_{v_2} + \hat{s}_{v_3}$$

Unobserved weight

# Causal Signal Processing (CSP)

Data-domain

Signal  $s$

$$s_x = \sum_{y \leq x, y \in V} \hat{s}_y$$

Zeta

$$\hat{s}_y = \sum_{y \in V} \zeta(x, y) \hat{s}_y$$

$$s = F^{-1} \hat{s}$$

Inverse Fourier transform  $F^{-1}$

$$F_{x,y}^{-1} = \zeta(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y \leq x , \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Fourier-domain

Fourier coefficients  $\hat{s}$

$$\hat{s}_x = \sum_{y \in V} \mu(x, y) s_y$$

Moebius

$$\hat{s} = F s$$

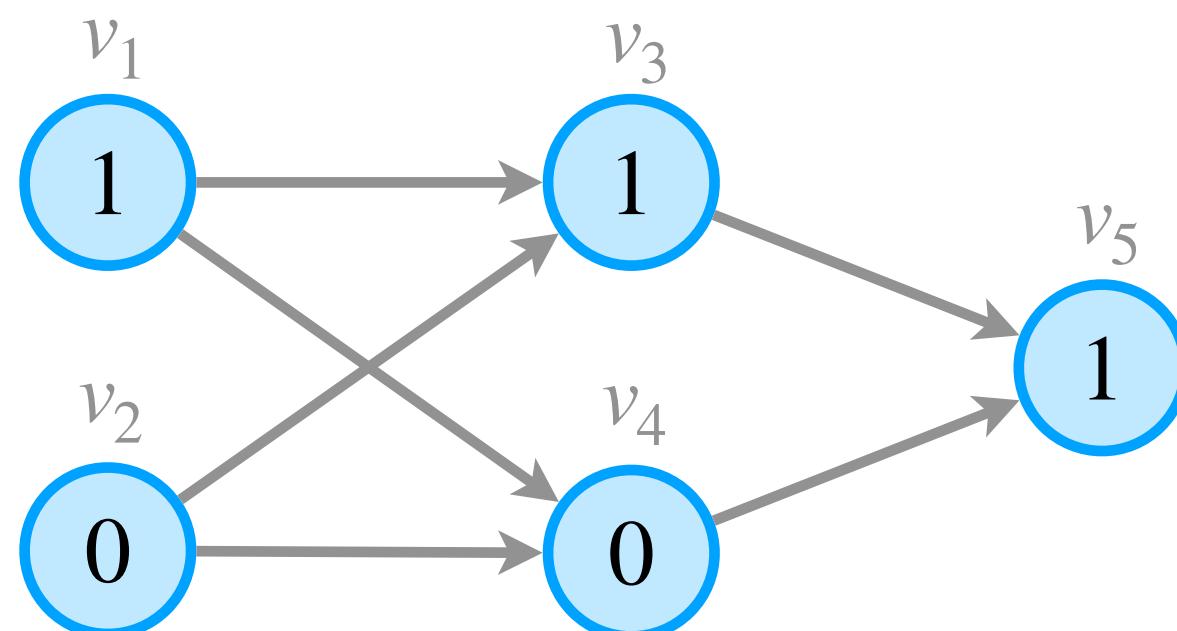
Fourier transform  $F$

$$F_{x,y} = \mu(y, x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = y , \\ -\sum_{y \leq z < x} \mu(y, z) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# Causal Signal Processing (CSP)

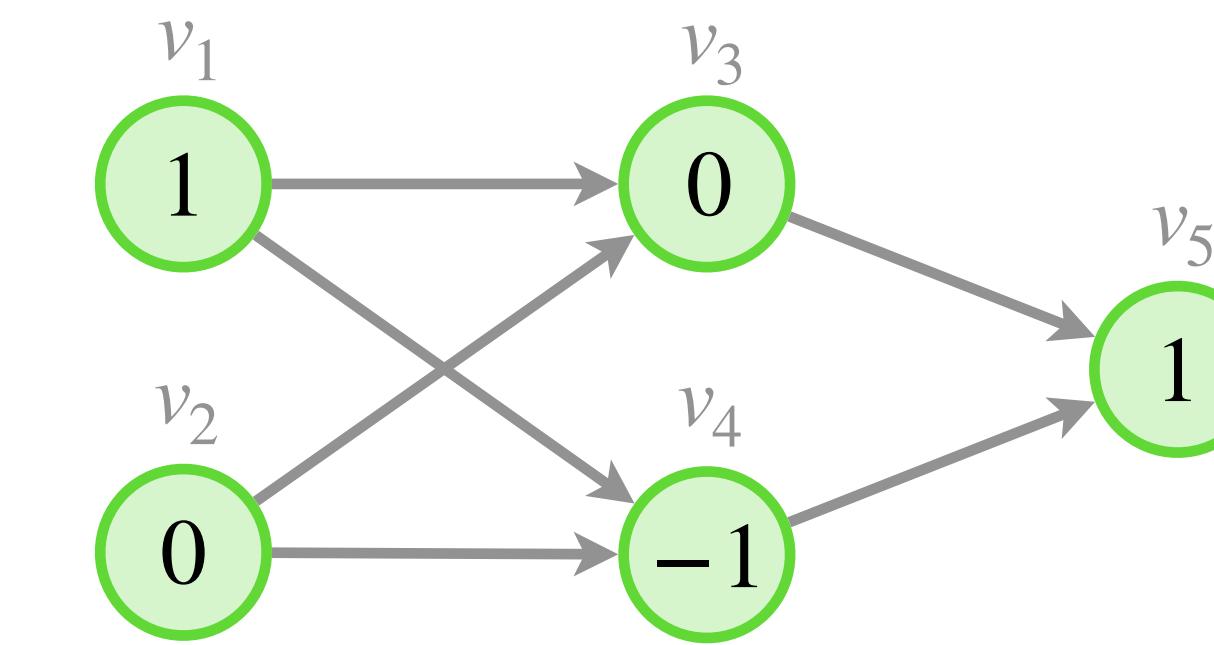
Data-domain

Signal  $s$



Fourier-domain

Fourier coefficients  $\hat{s}$



$$s = F^{-1} \hat{s}$$

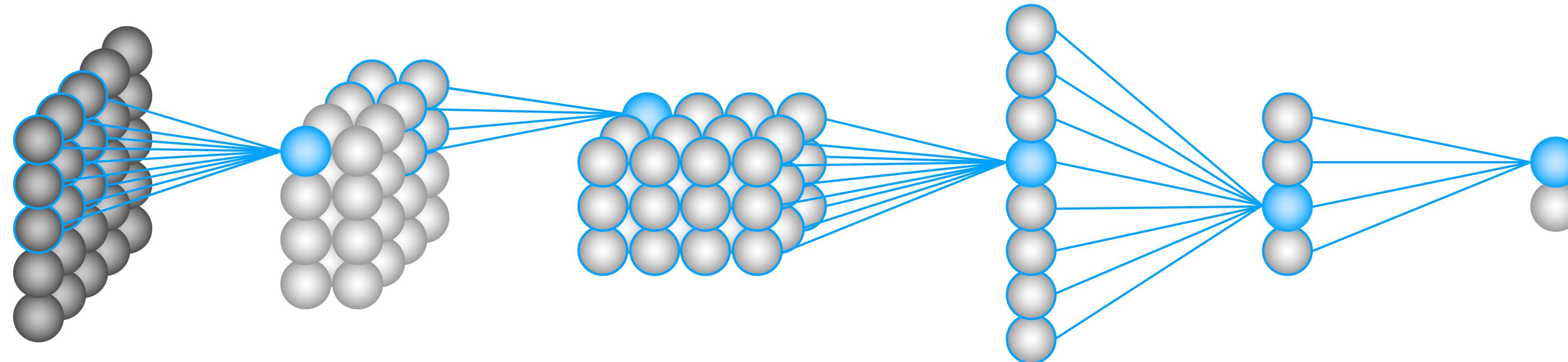
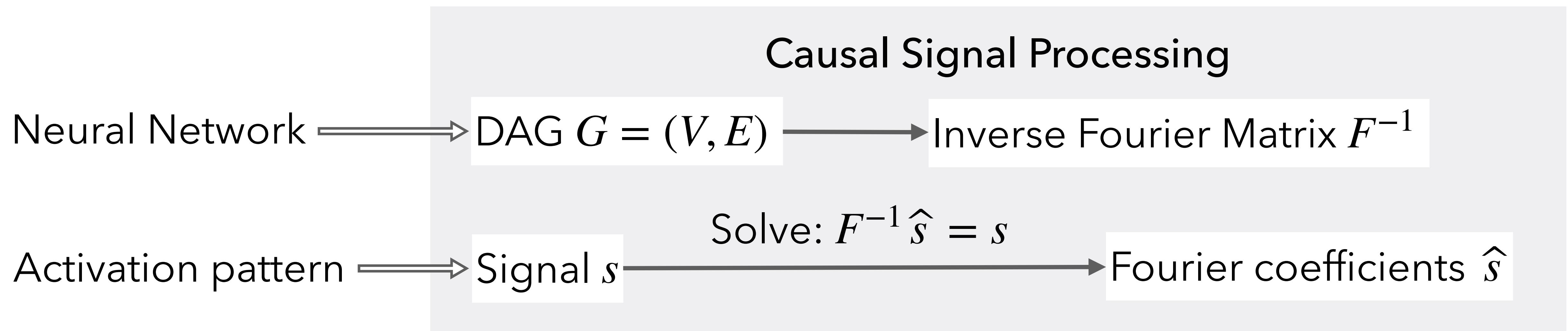
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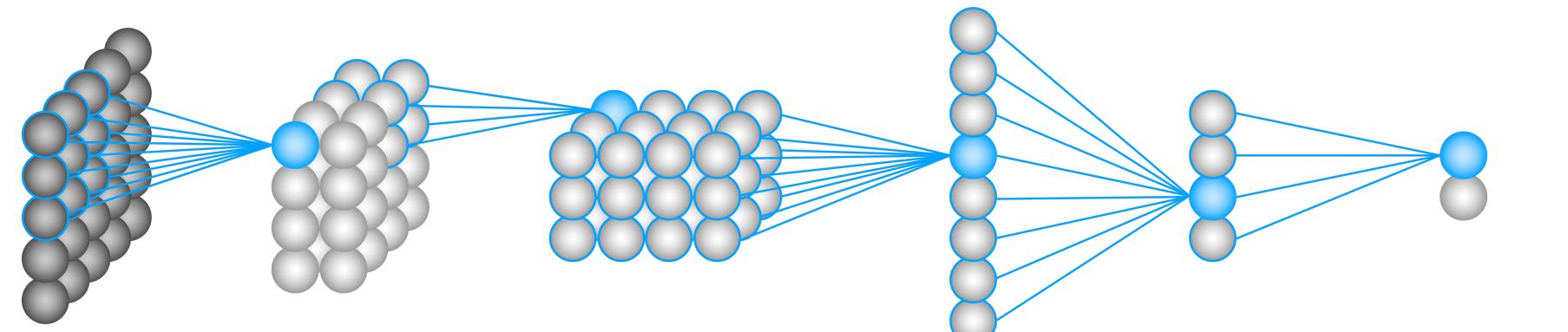
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# CSP on Neural Networks

## Thesis Project





$$F_{x,y}^{-1} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y \leq x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Layer 0: Input

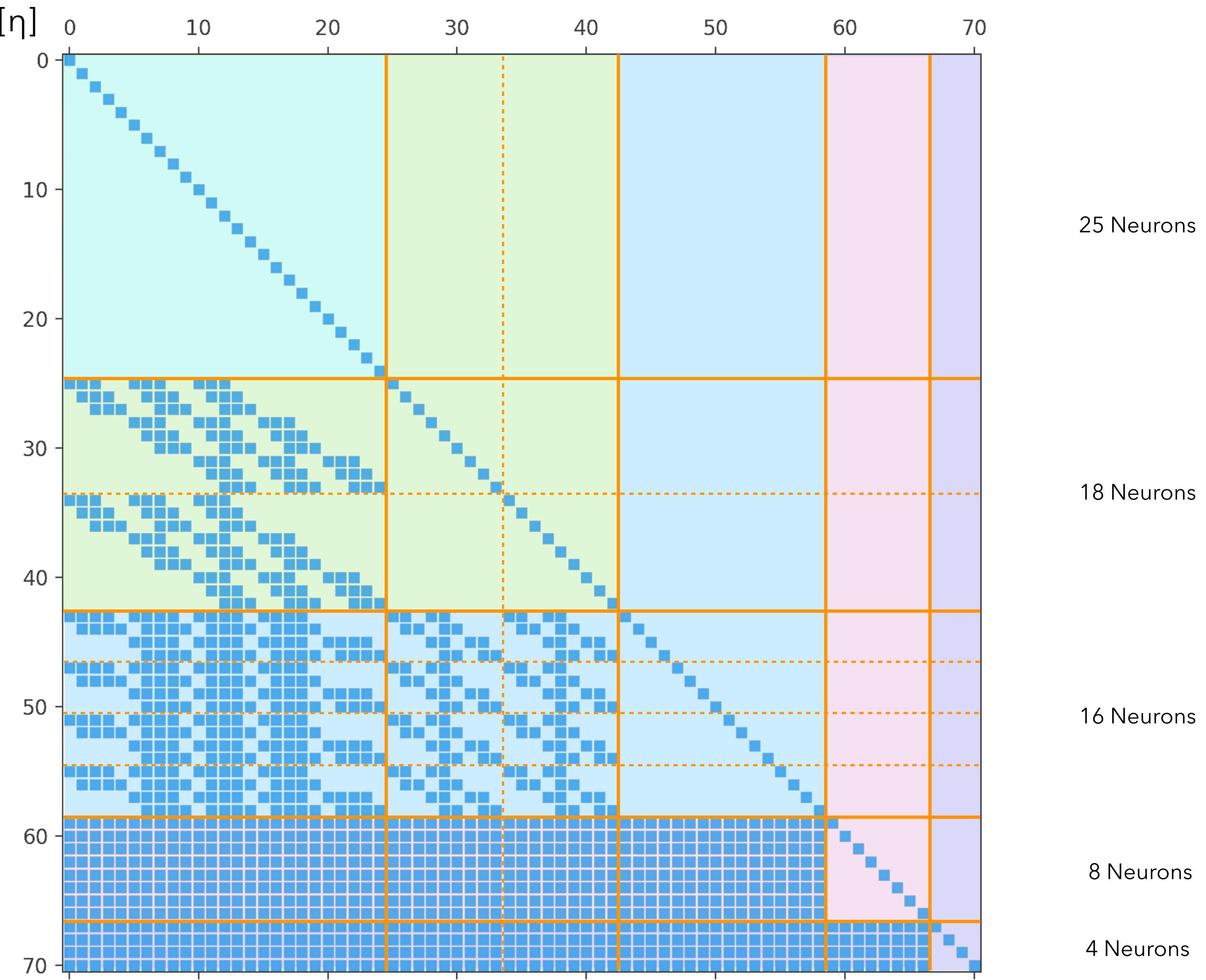
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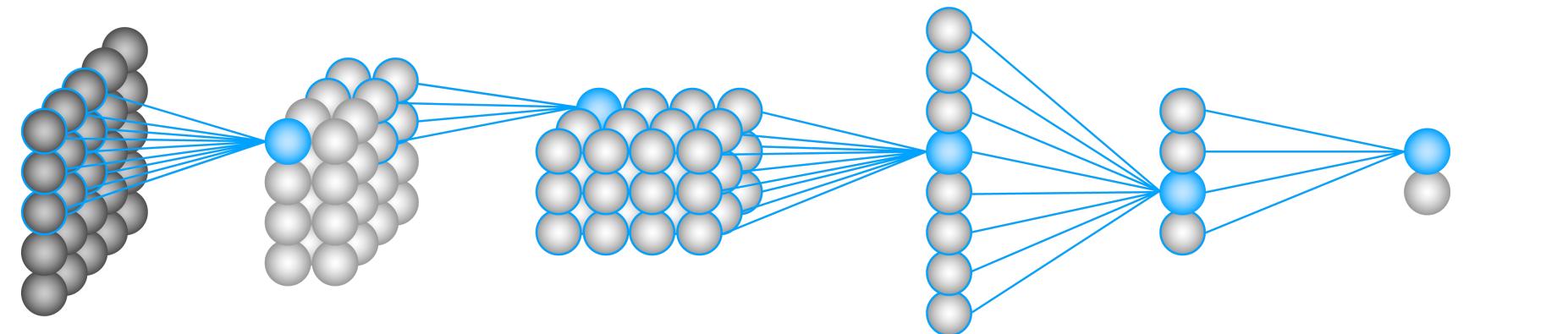
Layer 3: Convolution

Layer 4: Linear

Layer 5: Linear

# Inverse Fourier Matrix $F^{-1}$





$$F_{x,y}^{-1} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y \leq x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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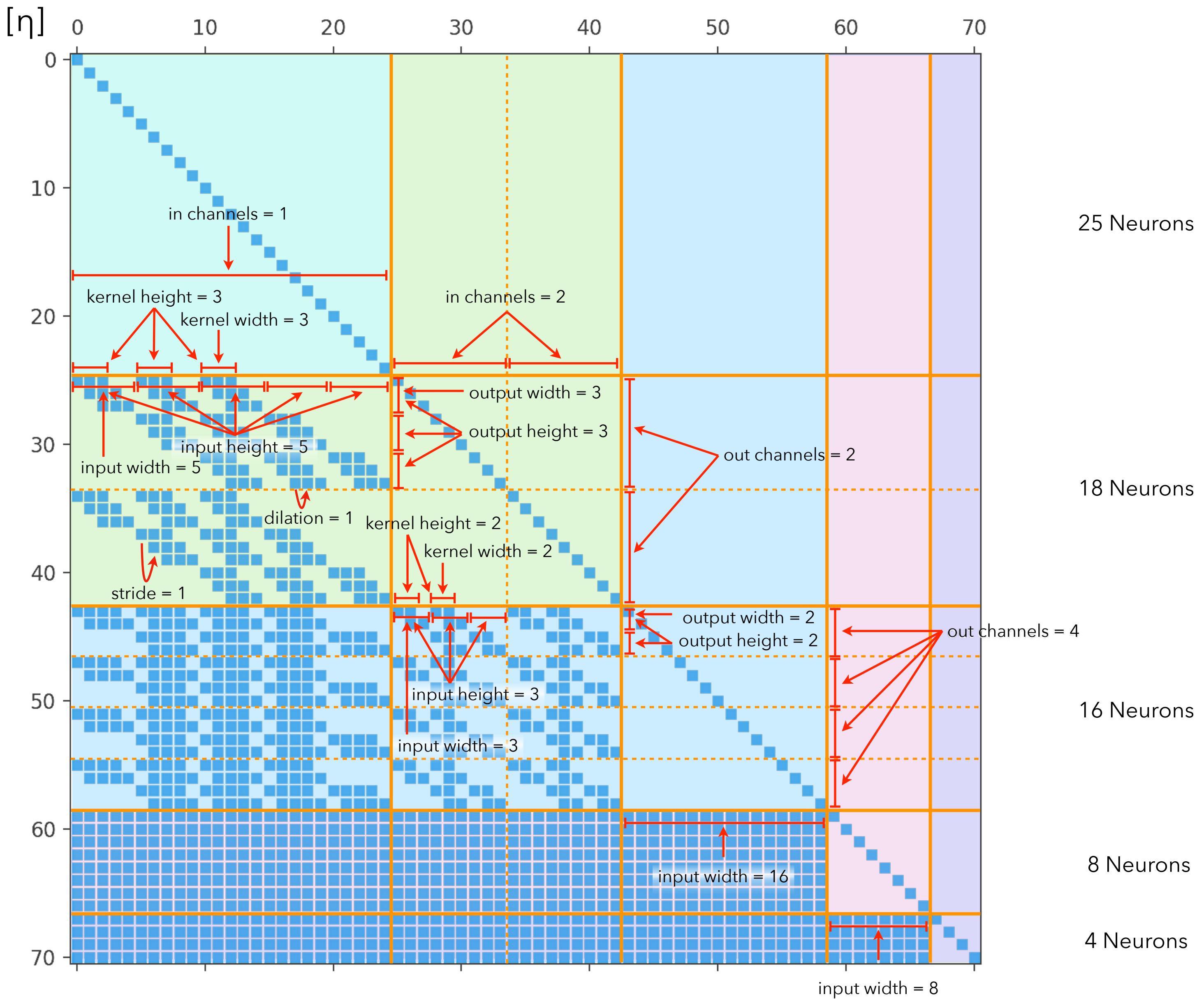
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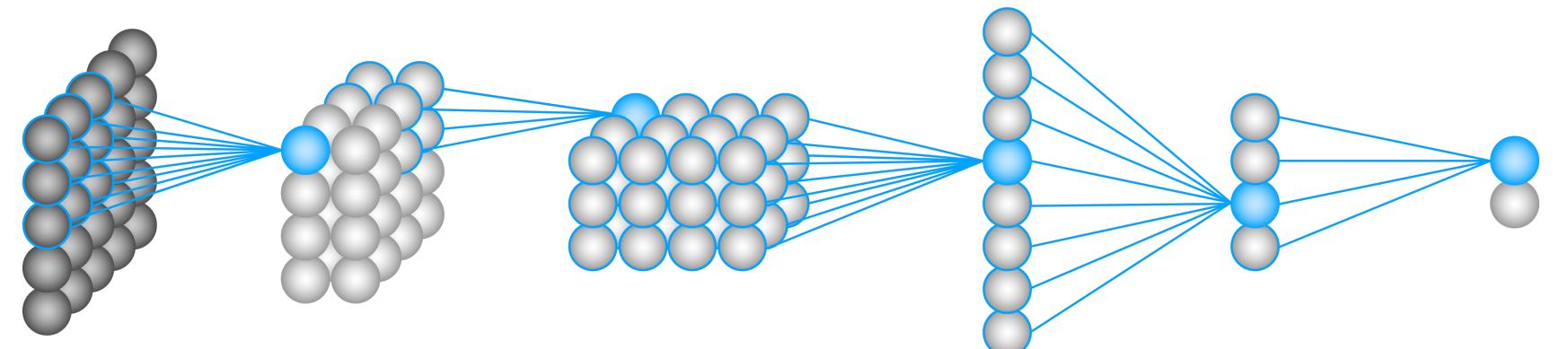
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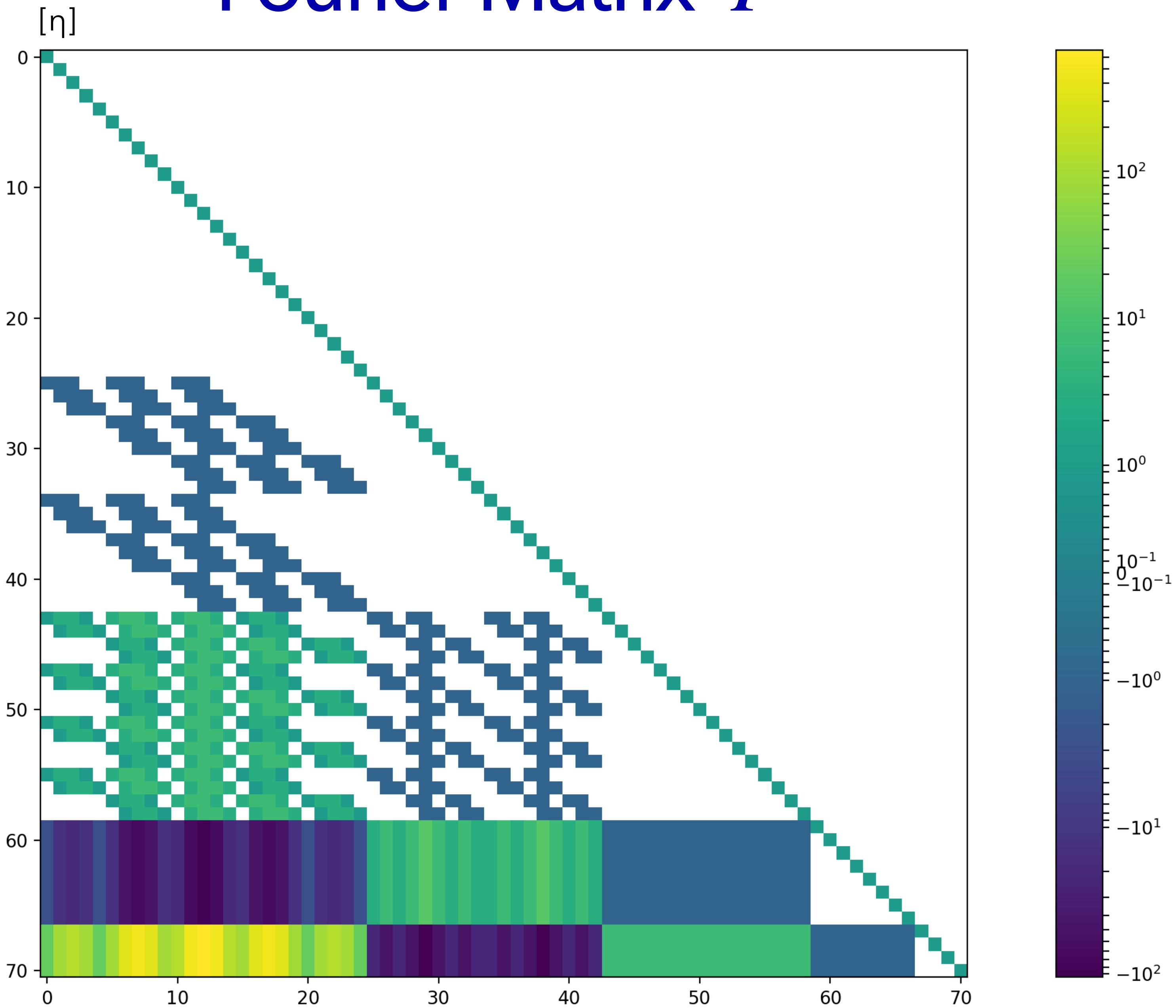
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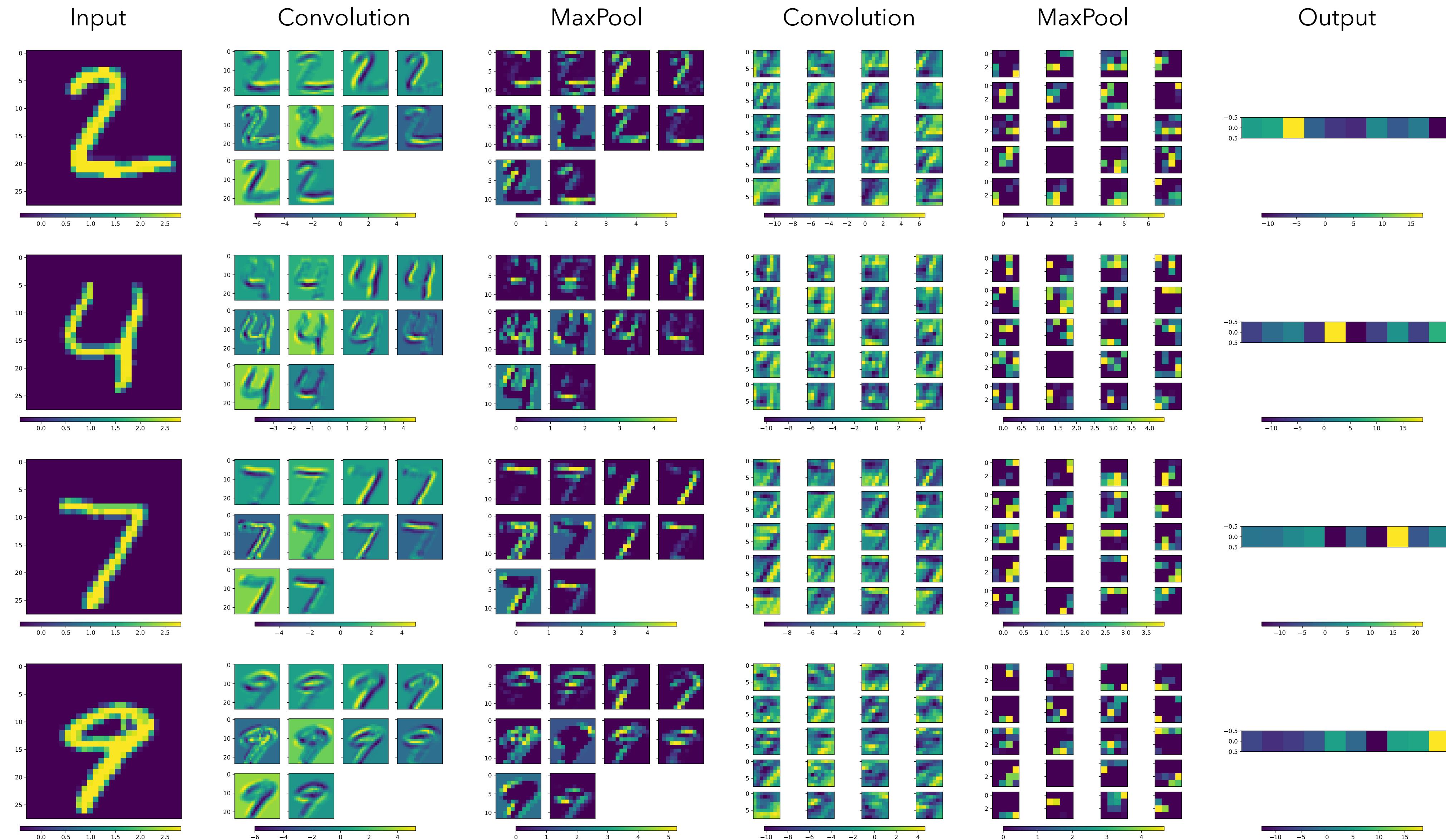


$$F_{x,y} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } y \not\leq x \\ 1 & \text{if } x = y \\ -1 & \text{if } (y,x) \in E \\ -\sum_{\substack{y \leq w \leq z \\ (z,x) \in E}} \mu(y,w) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

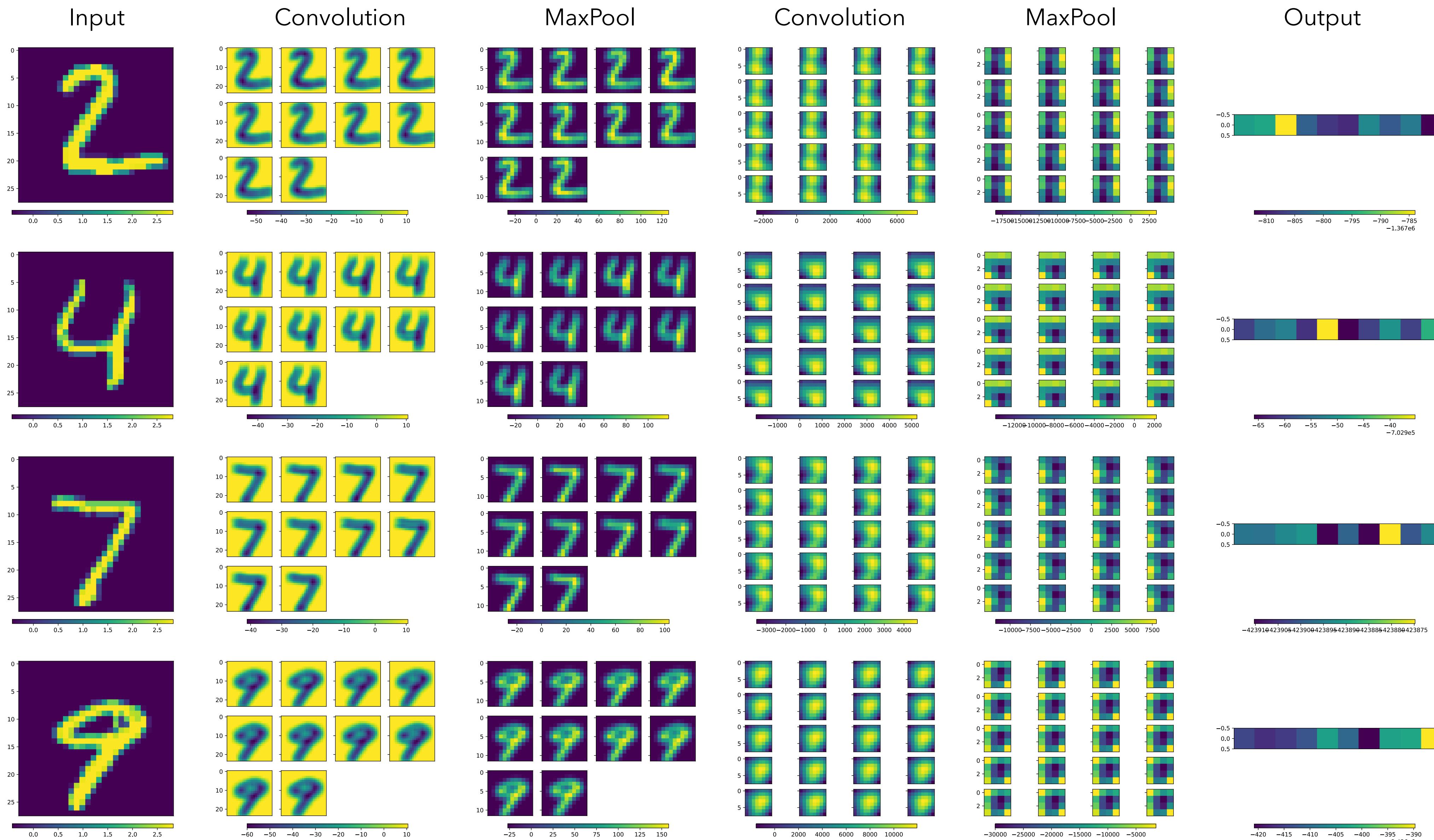
# Fourier Matrix $F$



# Activations $S$



# Fourier Coefficients $\hat{s}$



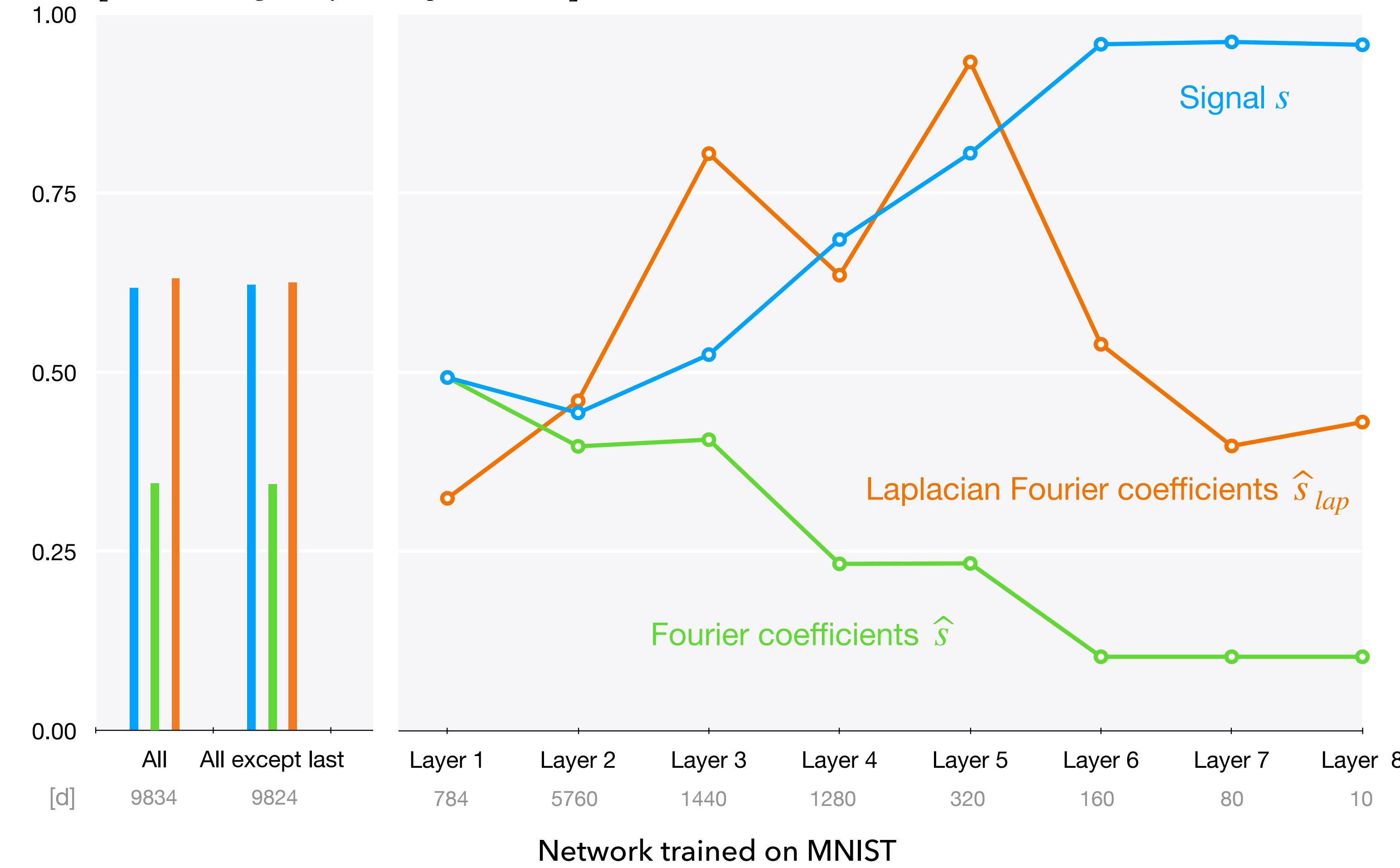
# Clustering

K-means clustering on the Euclidean distance: K = 10, N = 1000

$$V = \frac{2 \times \text{homogeneity} \times \text{completeness}}{\text{homogeneity} + \text{completeness}}$$

$$\hat{s}_x = F_{x,:} s$$

$$\hat{s}_x = c_{s,i} + s_x$$



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