
Deep Modular Co-Attention Networks for Visual Question Answering

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**What is
VQA?**

**Visual
Question
Answering**

01: What is VQA?

Introduction



1. Understand the Question: **Key Words**



Open Ended

What is the cat staring at?

Count

How many cats are there?

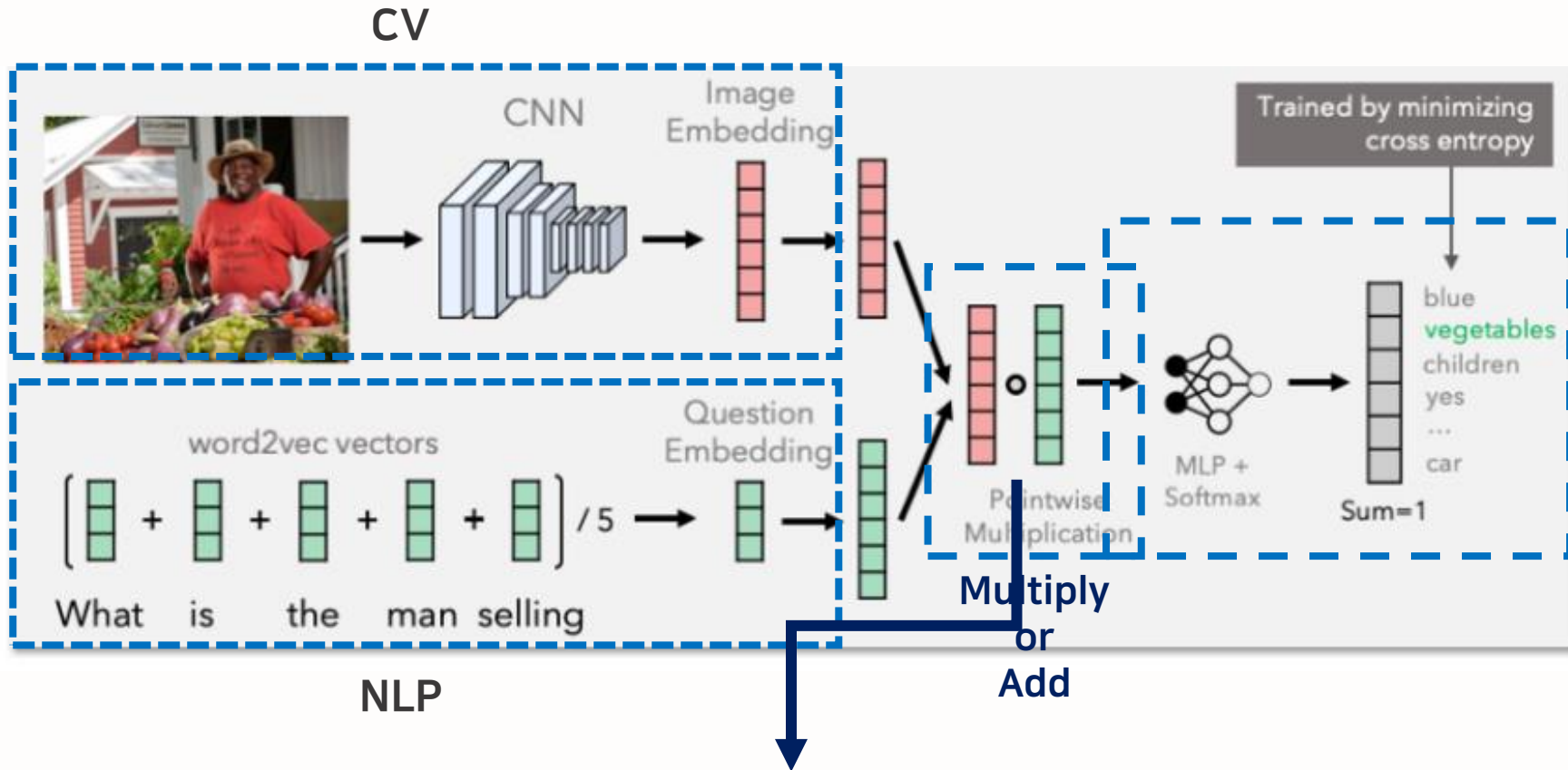
Y/N

Is there a cat?

2. Understand the Image: **Key Objects**

01: What is VQA?

Introduction



Open
Ended

Co-Attention

To understand / extract features much better

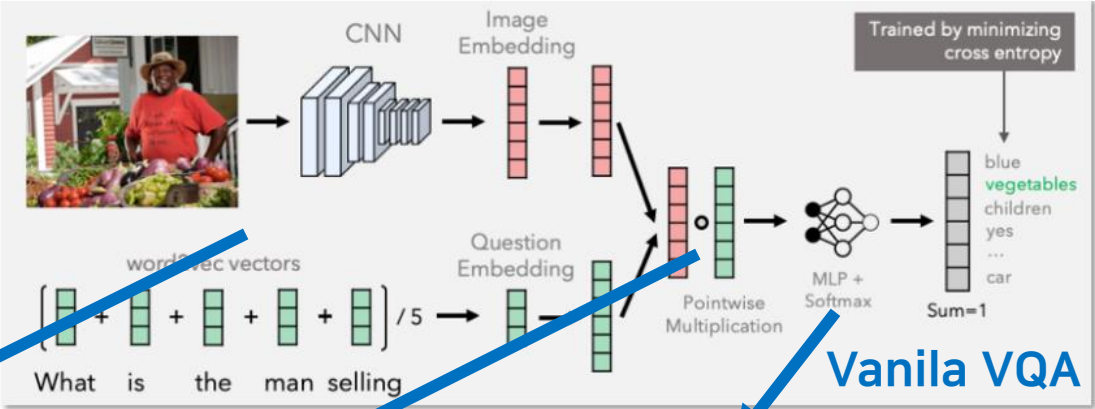
#2

What is MCAN?

deep Modular
Co-Attention
Network

02: What is MCAN?

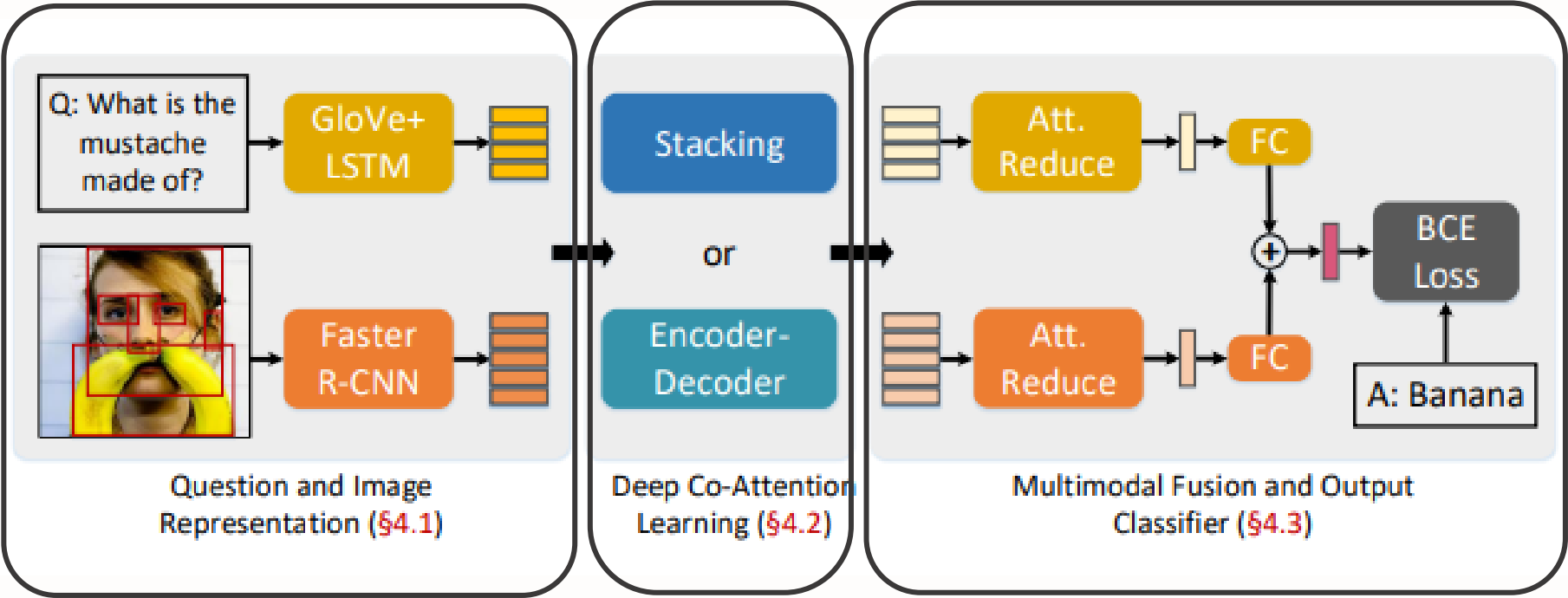
MCAN Network Overview



Step 1

Step 2

Step 3



02: What is MCAN?

Step 1: Question & Image Representation

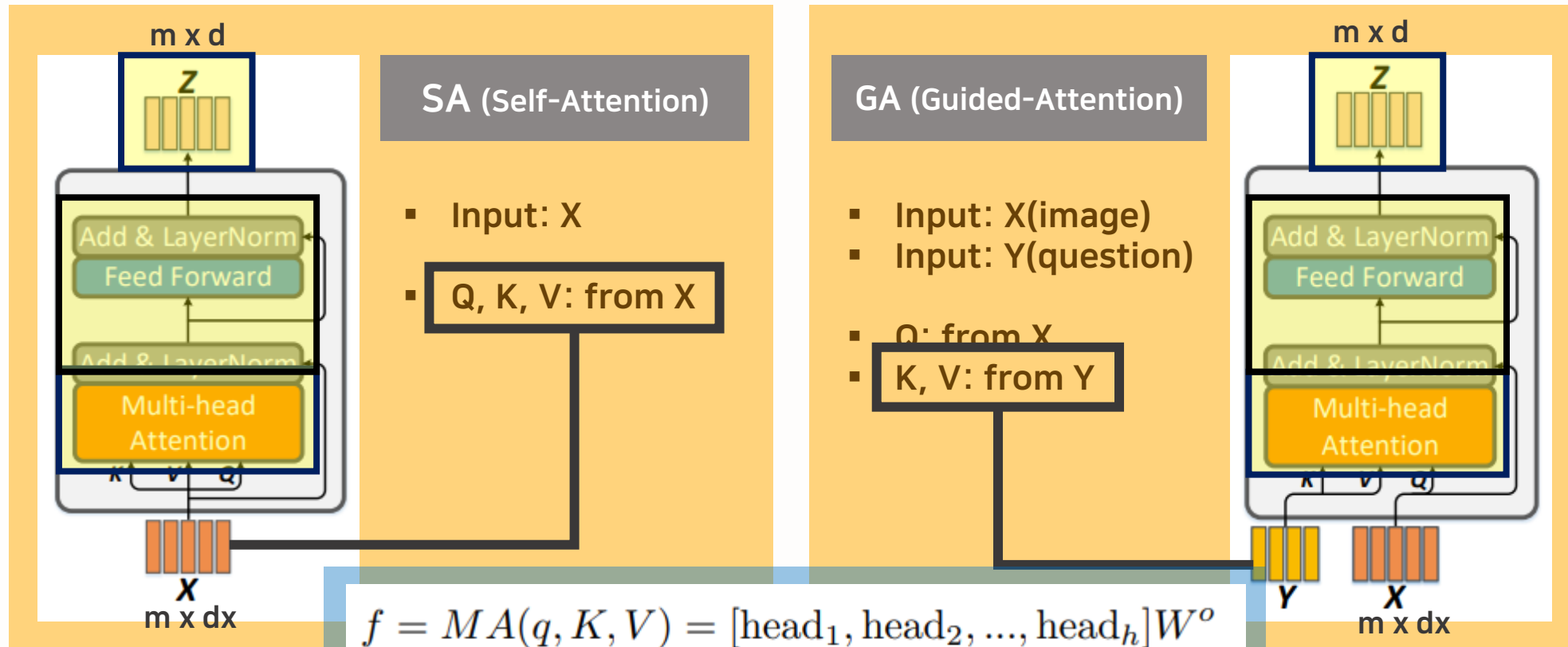


02: What is MCAN?

Step 2: Co-Attention(1) - Attention Units

Combine SA & GA
→ MCA Layer!

MCA Layer Components



$$f = MA(q, K, V) = [\text{head}_1, \text{head}_2, \dots, \text{head}_h] W^o$$

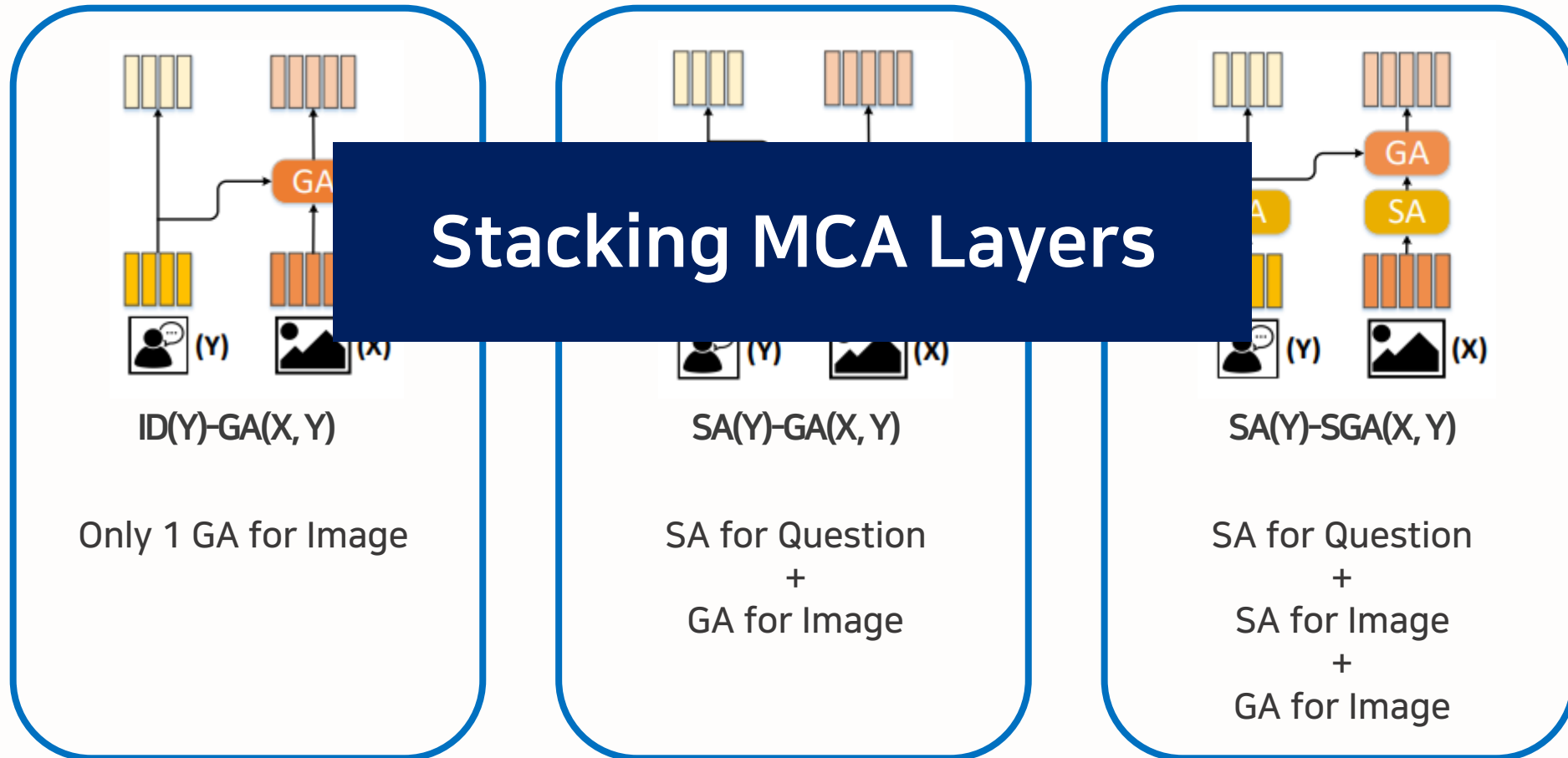
Combination of j attentions

$$\text{head}_j = A(qW_j^Q, KW_j^K, VW_j^V)$$

02: What is MCAN?

Step 2: Co-Attention(2) – MCA Layers

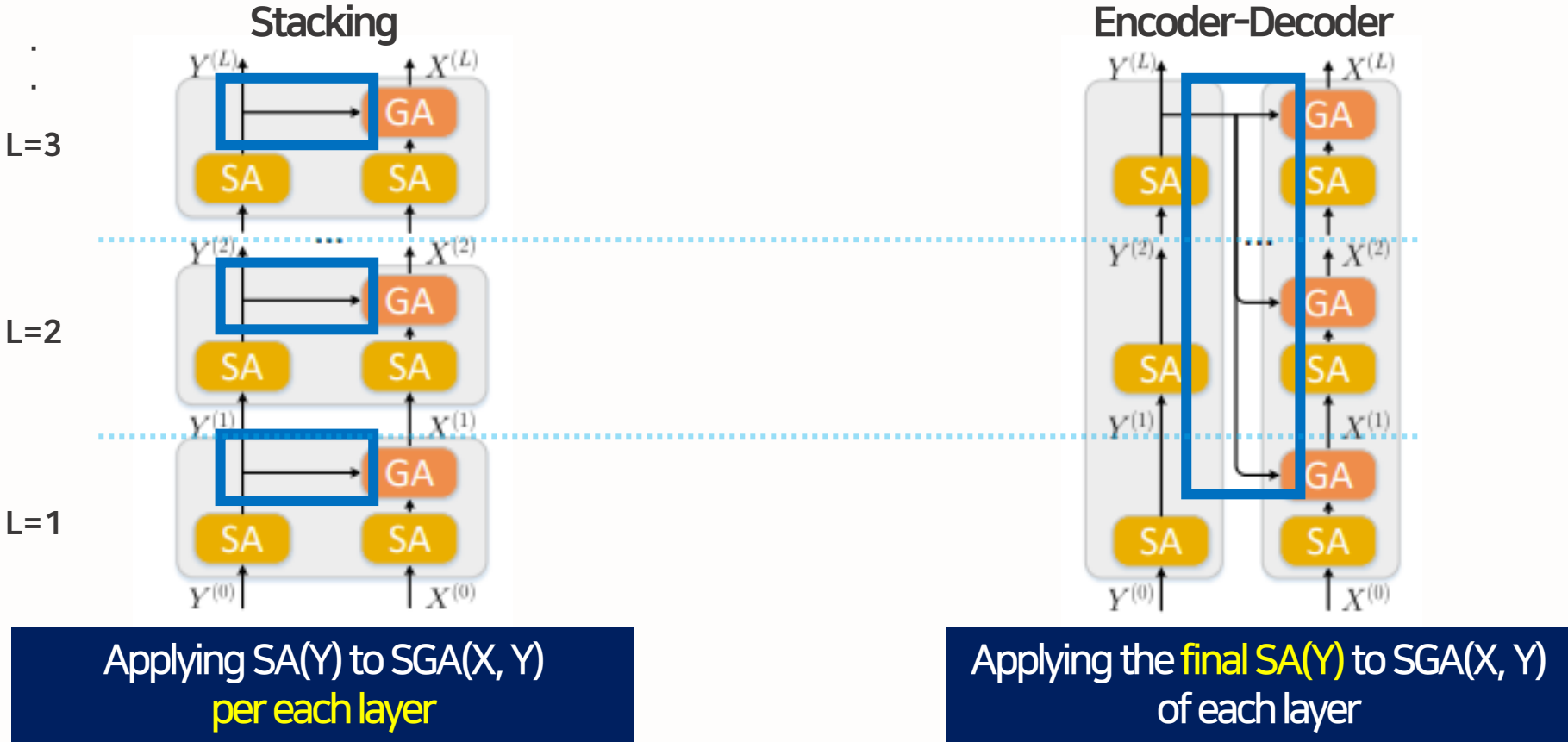
3 types of MCA Layers



02: What is MCAN?

Step 2: Co-Attention(3) – MCA Model

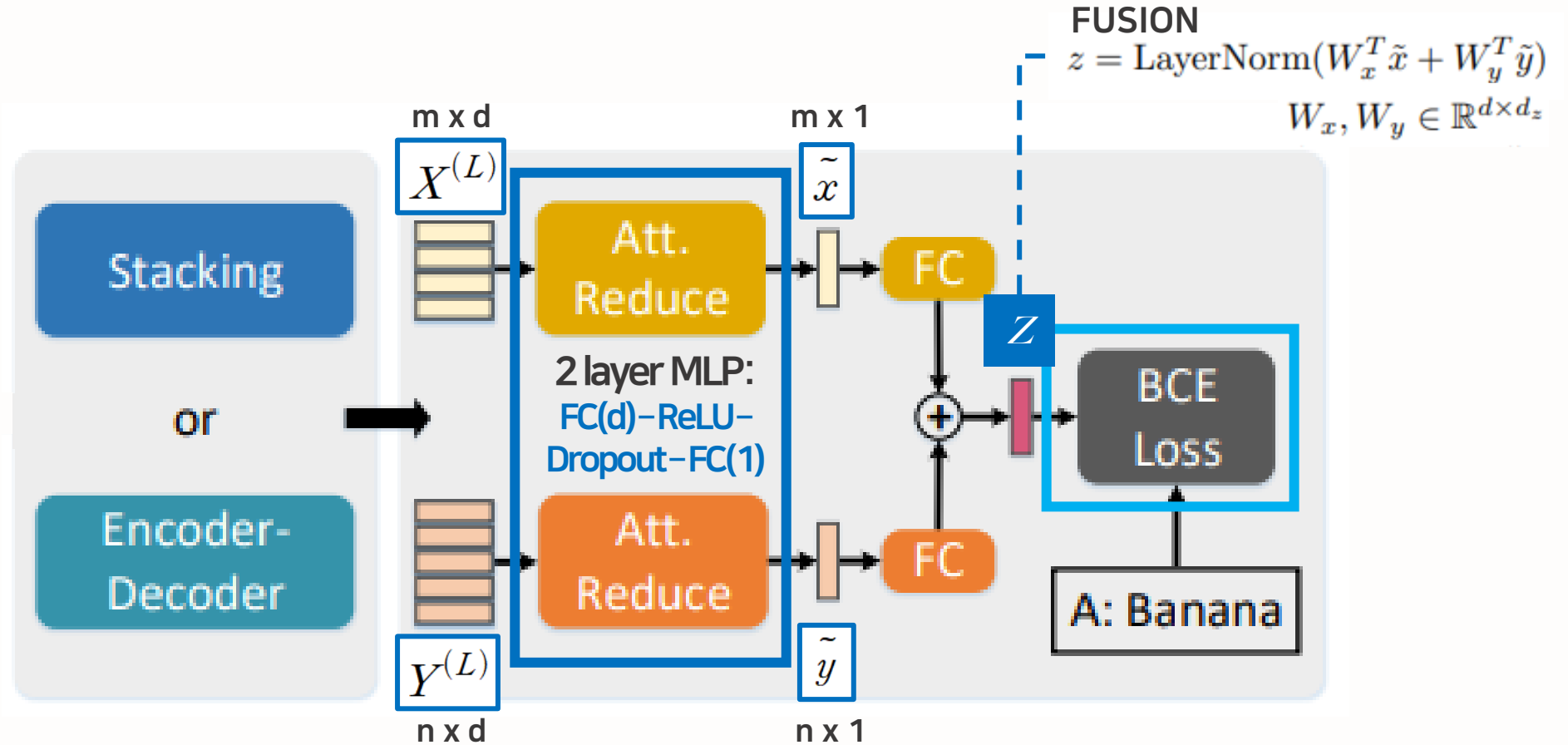
Stacking VS Encoder-Decoder



$$[Y^{(l)} \quad X^{(l)}] = \text{MCAN}^{(l)}([Y^{(l-1)} \quad X^{(l-1)}])$$

02: What is MCAN?

Step 3: Fusion & Classification



#3

**Code
Execution**

Using DEMO

03: Code Execution DataSet

Image



Pretrained by F-R-CNN

Train
80k / 444k

Question



Human noted ans-ques pairs
(Related to COCO images)

Pretrained by LSTM+GLOVE

Val
40k / 214k

Test
80k / 448k

#4

Results

04: Results

Performance Test and Analysis

Model	All	Y/N	Num	Other
ID(Y)-GA(X,Y)	64.8	82.5	44.7	56.7
SA(Y)-GA(X,Y)	65.2	82.9	44.8	57.1
SA(Y)-SGA(X,Y)	65.4	83.2	44.9	57.2

MCA Varients

Best model :
SA(Y)-SGA(X, Y)

L	MCAN _{sk}	MCAN _{ed}	Size
2	66.1	66.2	27M
4	66.7	66.9	41M
6	66.8	67.2	56M
8	66.8	67.2	68M

Stacking vs Encoder-decoder

Under 6 layers:
similar performance

Over 6 layers:
en/decoder shows better
performance

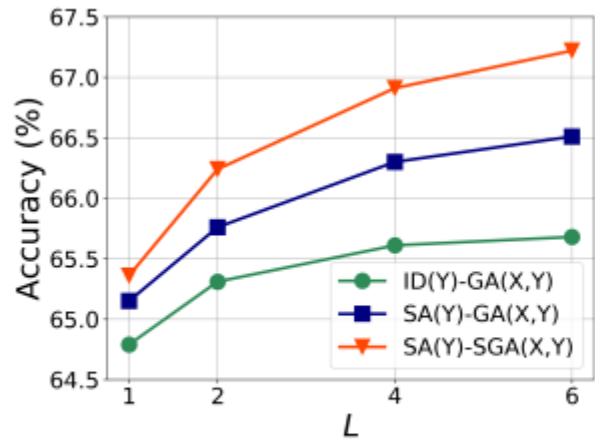
Model	All	Y/N	Num	Other
Rand _{ft} + PE	65.6	83.0	47.9	57.1
GloVe _{pt} + PE	67.0	84.6	49.4	58.2
GloVe _{pt} + LSTM	67.1	84.8	49.4	58.4
GloVe _{pt+ft} + LSTM	67.2	84.8	49.3	58.6

Question Representations

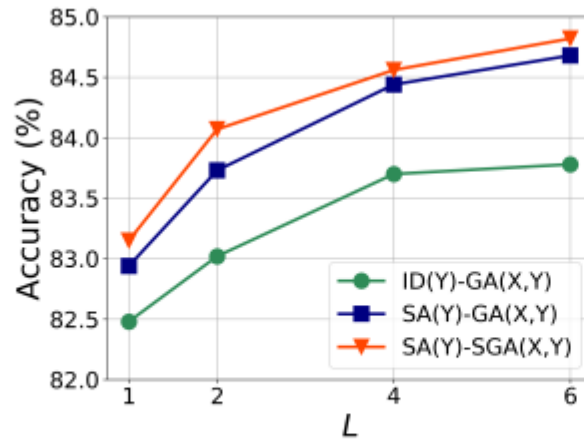
Performance depending on
whether the model used Glove,
PE, or LSTM

04: Results

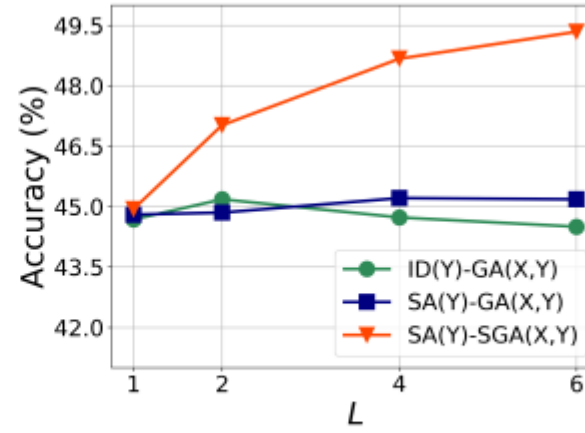
Performance Test and Analysis



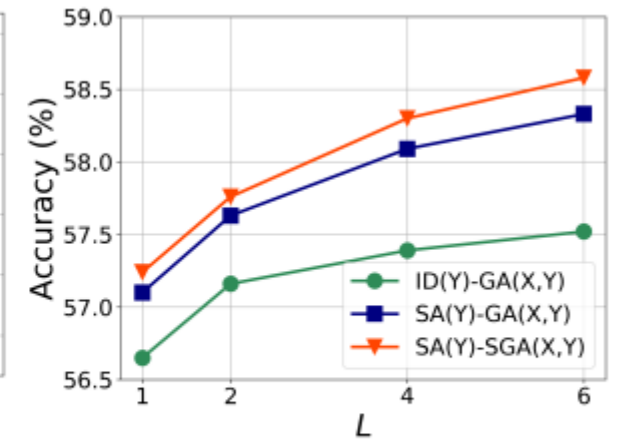
(a) All



(b) Y/N



(c) Num



(d) Other

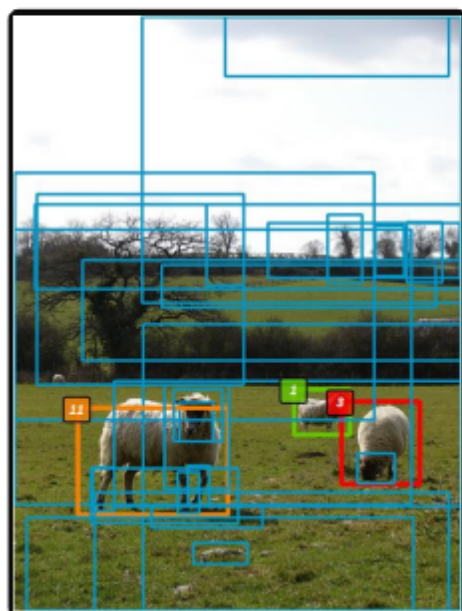
Overall and per-type accuracies of MCAN models

Best model : **SA(Y)-SGA(X, Y)**

※ID(Y)-GA(X, Y), SA(Y)-GA(X, Y) in number questions
: SA(X) is important for increasing the performance of number questions

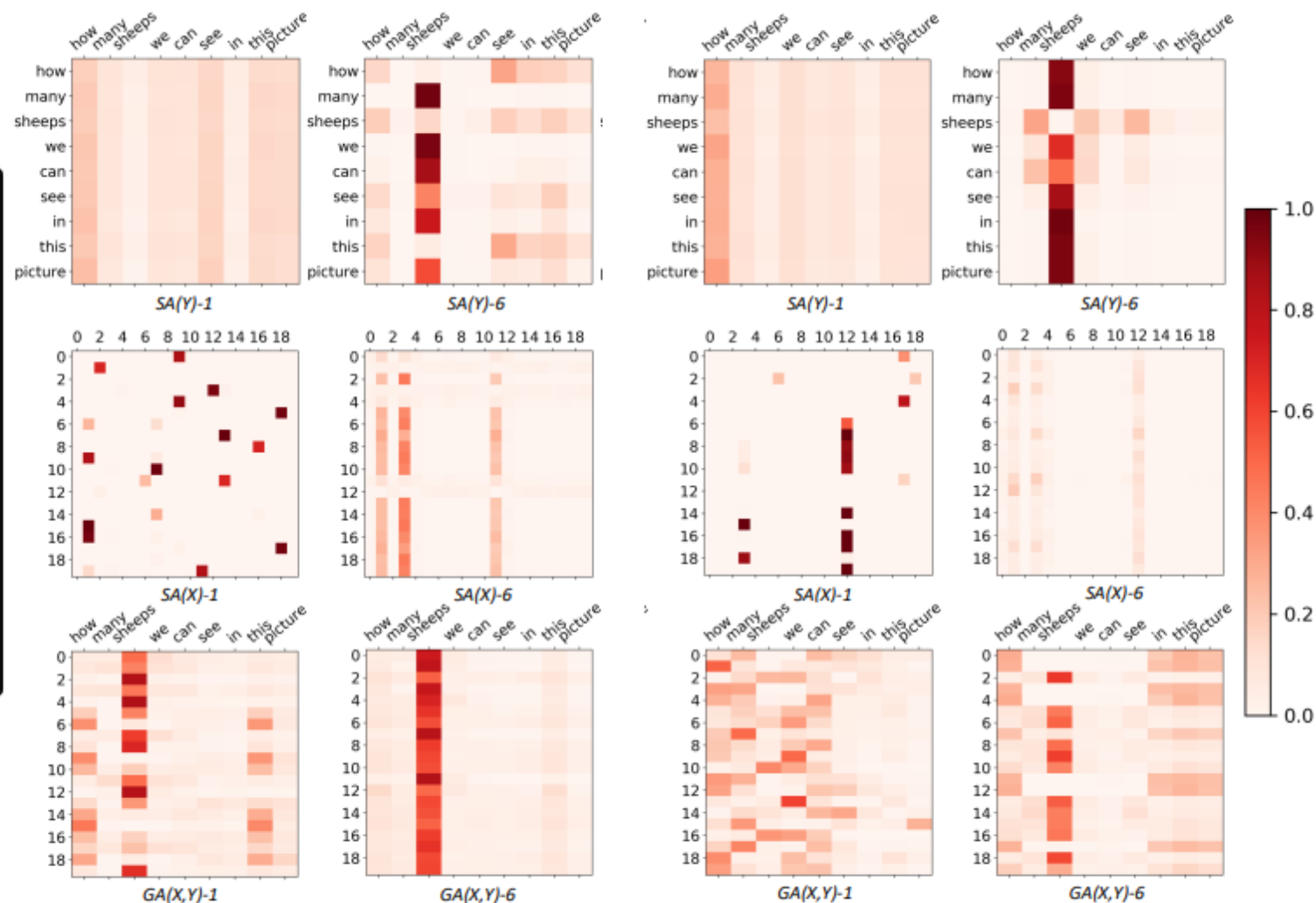
04: Results

Performance Test and Analysis



Q: How many sheep we can see in this picture ?

A: 3



(a) Encoder-Decoder (P: 3)

(b) Stacking (P: 3)

04: Results

Performance Test and Analysis

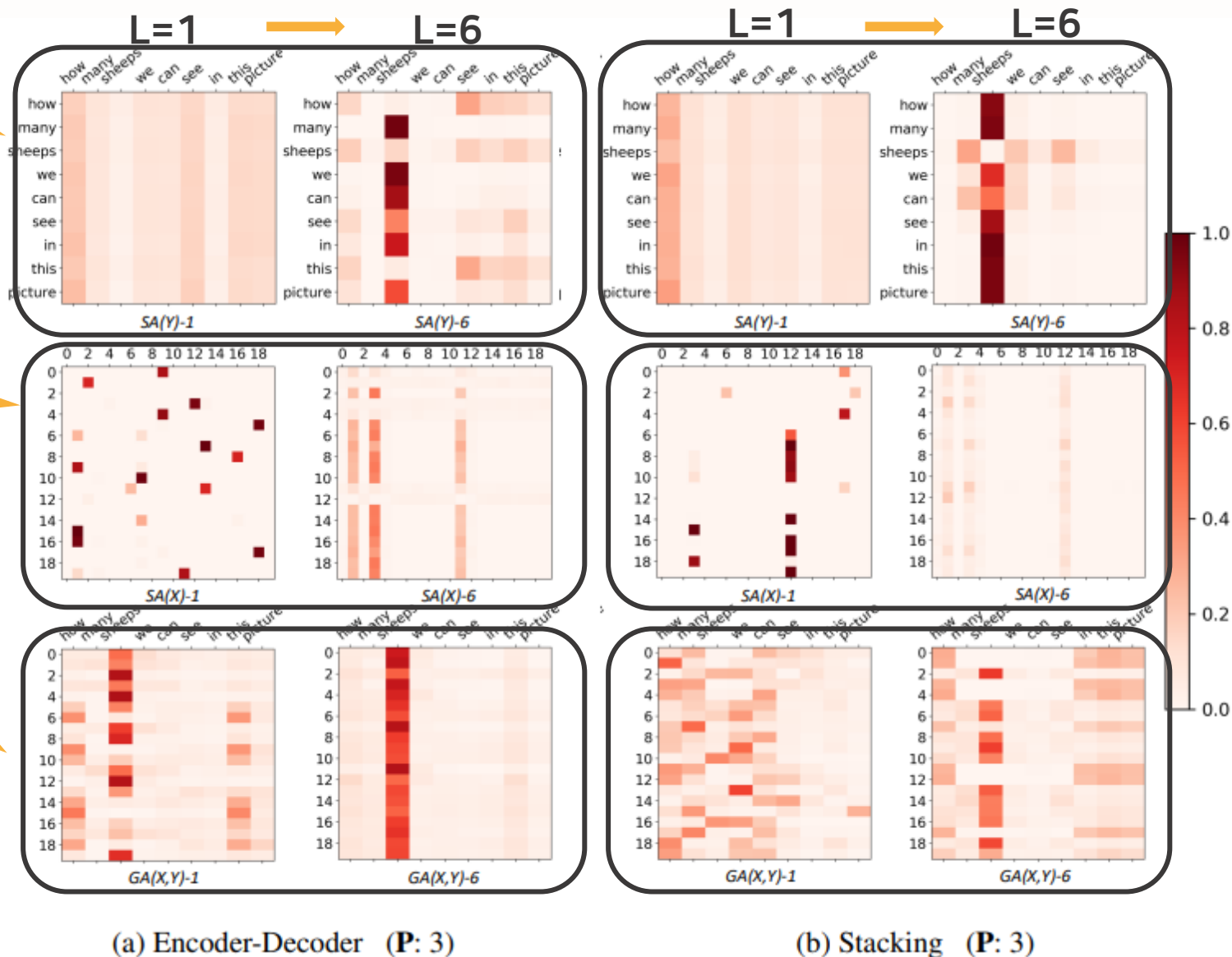
L=6,
Focusing on the important part of
the question

L=6,
Focusing on the important part of
the image

L=6,
Focusing on the important part of
Image

By being guided from question

=> The layer should be deep
enough(=6) for better performance

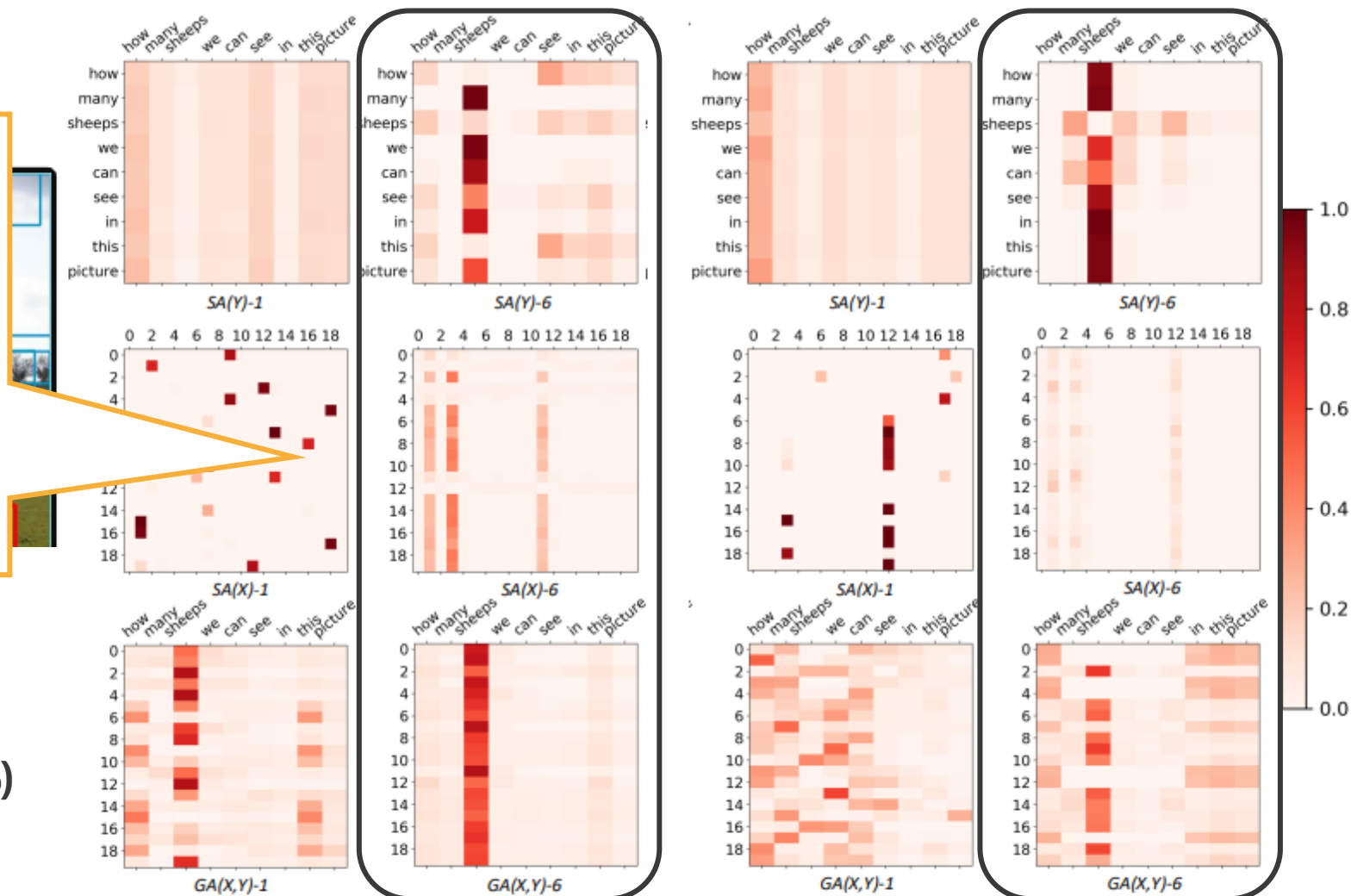


04: Results

Performance Test and Analysis

$L=6$,
Encoder-Decoder shows better
performance than stacking in
SA(Y), SA(X), GA(X, Y)

⇒ Encoder-Decoder has better
performance than **stacking**
as the layer become deep enough(=6)



(a) Encoder-Decoder (P: 3)

(b) Stacking (P: 3)

Comparison with state-of-the-art

Model	Test-dev				Test-std
	All	Y/N	Num	Other	All
Bottom-Up [28]	65.32	81.82	44.21	56.05	65.67
MFH [33]	68.76	84.27	49.56	59.89	-
BAN [14]	69.52	85.31	50.93	60.26	-
BAN+Counter [14]	70.04	85.42	54.04	60.52	70.35
MCAN _{ed} -6	70.63	86.82	53.26	60.72	70.90

MCAN: the **best model** compared with the current state-of-the-art models

Just little bit lower in
'object counting performance'

#5

Conclusions

With Limitations

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Conclusion

Modular Co-Attention Network(MCAN) presented for VQA is effective.

MCAN consists of a cascade of MCA layers,
each of which consists of SA and GA units.

Using the encoder-decoder ,
and cascading MCA layers in depth(≥ 6) makes better performance for VQA.

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Limitations

Image data is provided as **pre-trained features**:

It was hard to show for clear presentation.

Dataset contains **images + questions + answers**:

Datasets are not sorted, so it was really challenging to match indexes between image file + question file + answer file. I tried to make simple demo with small dataset, but I failed... It made an error

Code Error (Caught KeyError in Dataloader worker process 0):

Spent **over one and a half week, 24 hours every day.**

Someone said it is a problem of dataset, so I truncated my current project and restarted in 1 day.

It fortunately worked while training, but when evaluating, the runtime shut down and the error code showed again.

I was in deep panic, however I saw a message "Drive error". Then I found out google drive also has daily limitation. So I purchased upgraded drive version in order to reset the limitation -> and it worked!

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Limitations

Huge amount of Data:

It requires at least 30GB RAM / 22 hours to train (as authors noted)

I first purchased COLAB PRO version, however it lacked RAM. So I had to purchase COLAB PRO + version.

But the connection of high RAM and GPU was unstable. So I made 2 more accounts with COLAB PRO +.

It made me possible to run the code always, but I think it made the "google drive error" because all these 3 accounts shared the same drive. If I knew this, I would have used just my original account...

Cost to Run the Project:

MONEY)

COLAB PRO +: \$49.99 X 3 (three accounts)

GOOGLE DRIVE(2TB): \$10.08

TIME)

2 weeks: FIXING ERROR

1 day: Making ppt + Making Script + Running train/evaluation
+ Making Code note

Thank you