

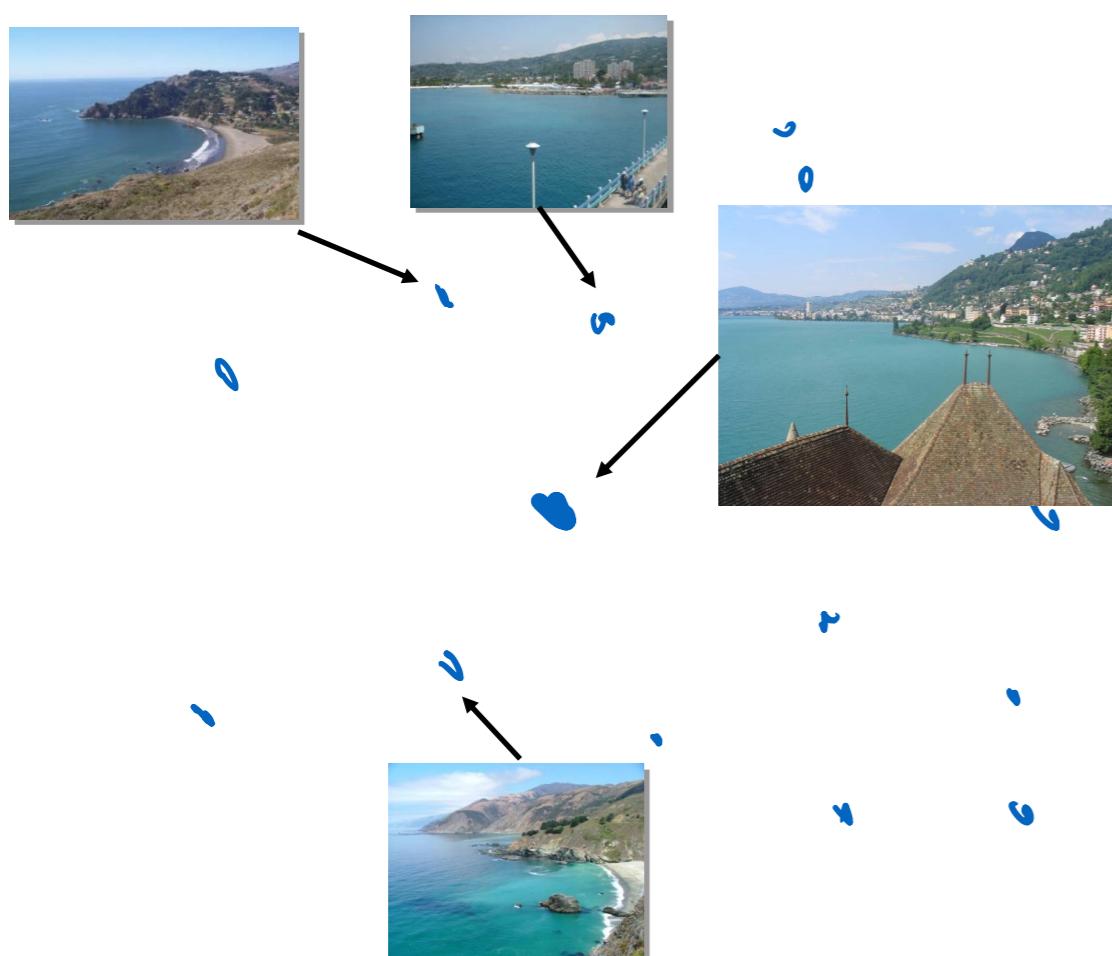
# Convolutional Network for Image Synthesis

Jun-Yan Zhu

16-726 Learning-based Image Synthesis, Spring 2023

many slides from Alyosha Efros, Phillip Isola, Richard Zhang, James Hays, and Andrea Vedaldi, Jitendra Malik.

# Review (data-driven graphics)



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Nearest neighbor methods:

1. Stored examples
2. Calculate distance between two examples
3. Voting (label transfer): image blending/averaging

# Visual similarity via labels



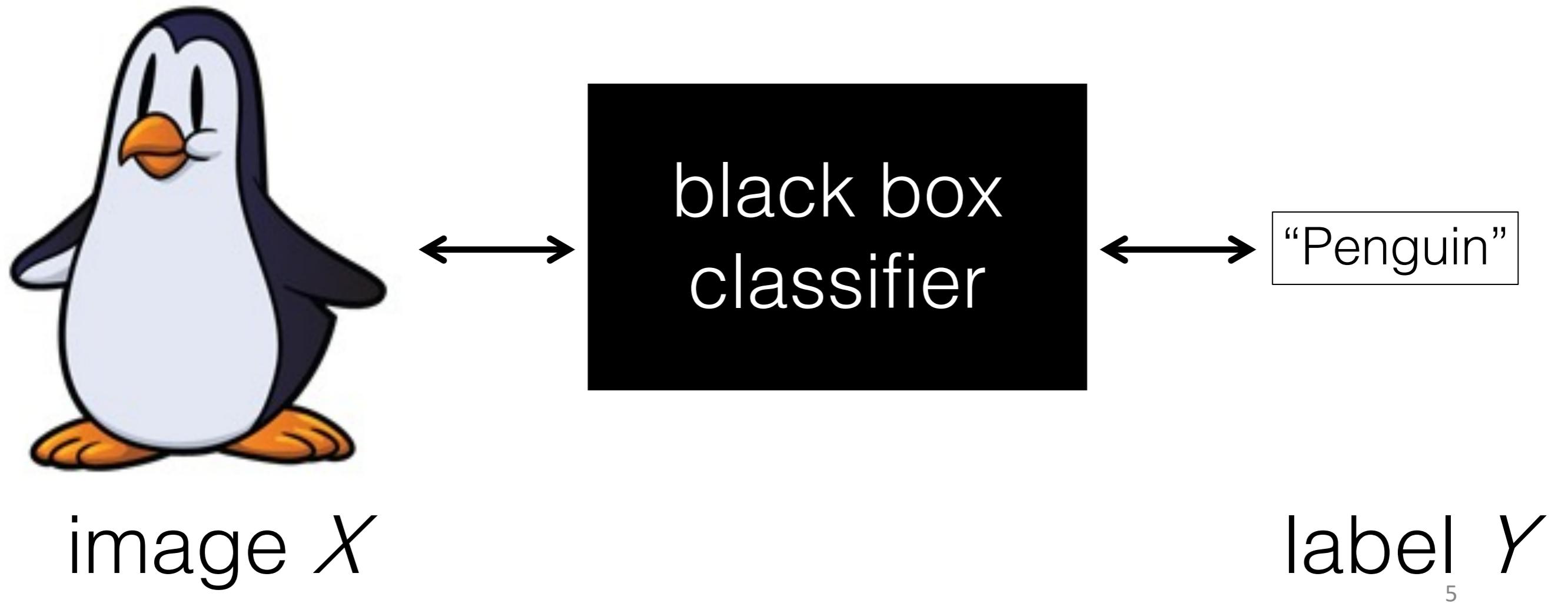
“Penguin”

?  
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“Penguin”

# Machine Learning as data association



At test time...

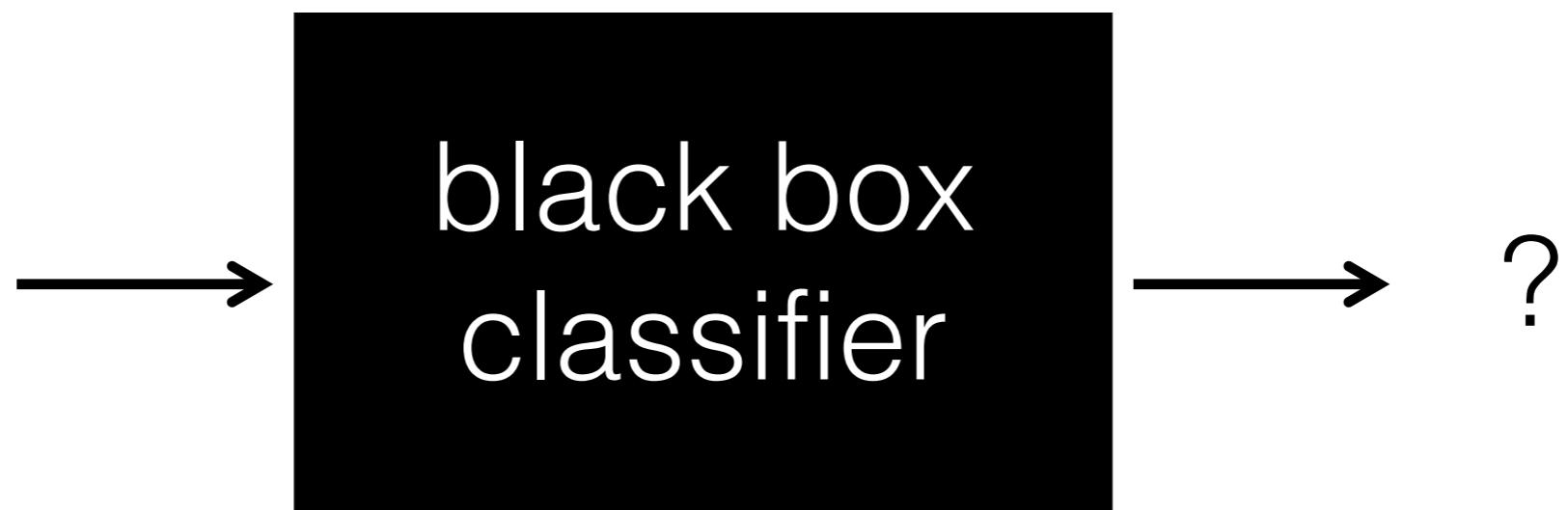
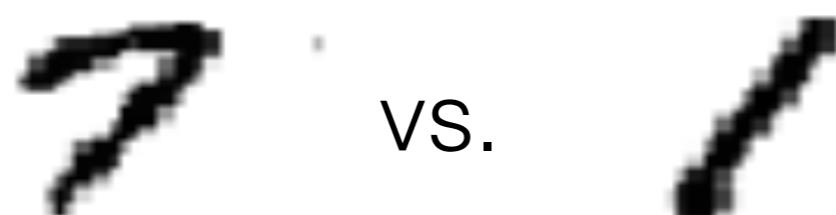


image  $X$

3 6 8 1 7 9 6 6 9 1  
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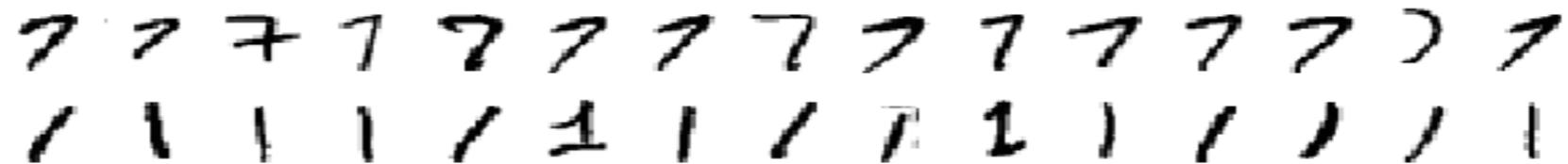
# Warm-up Example: Binary Digit Classification



# Learning Approach to Digit Recognition

- **Collect Training Images**

- Positive:



- Negative:



- **Training Time**

- Compute **feature vectors** for positive and negative example images
- Train a **classifier**

- **Test Time**

- Compute feature vector on new test image:
- Evaluate classifier



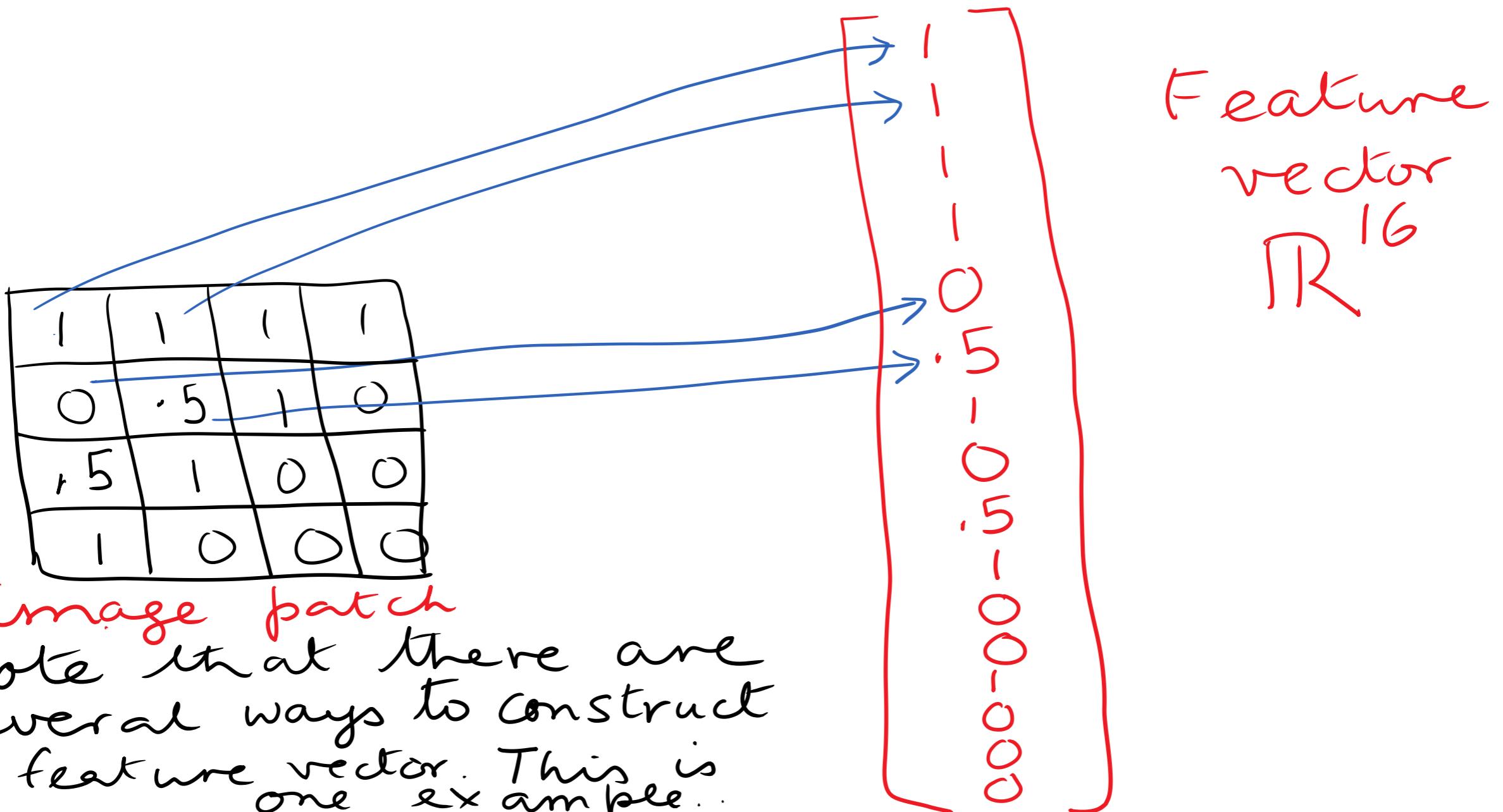
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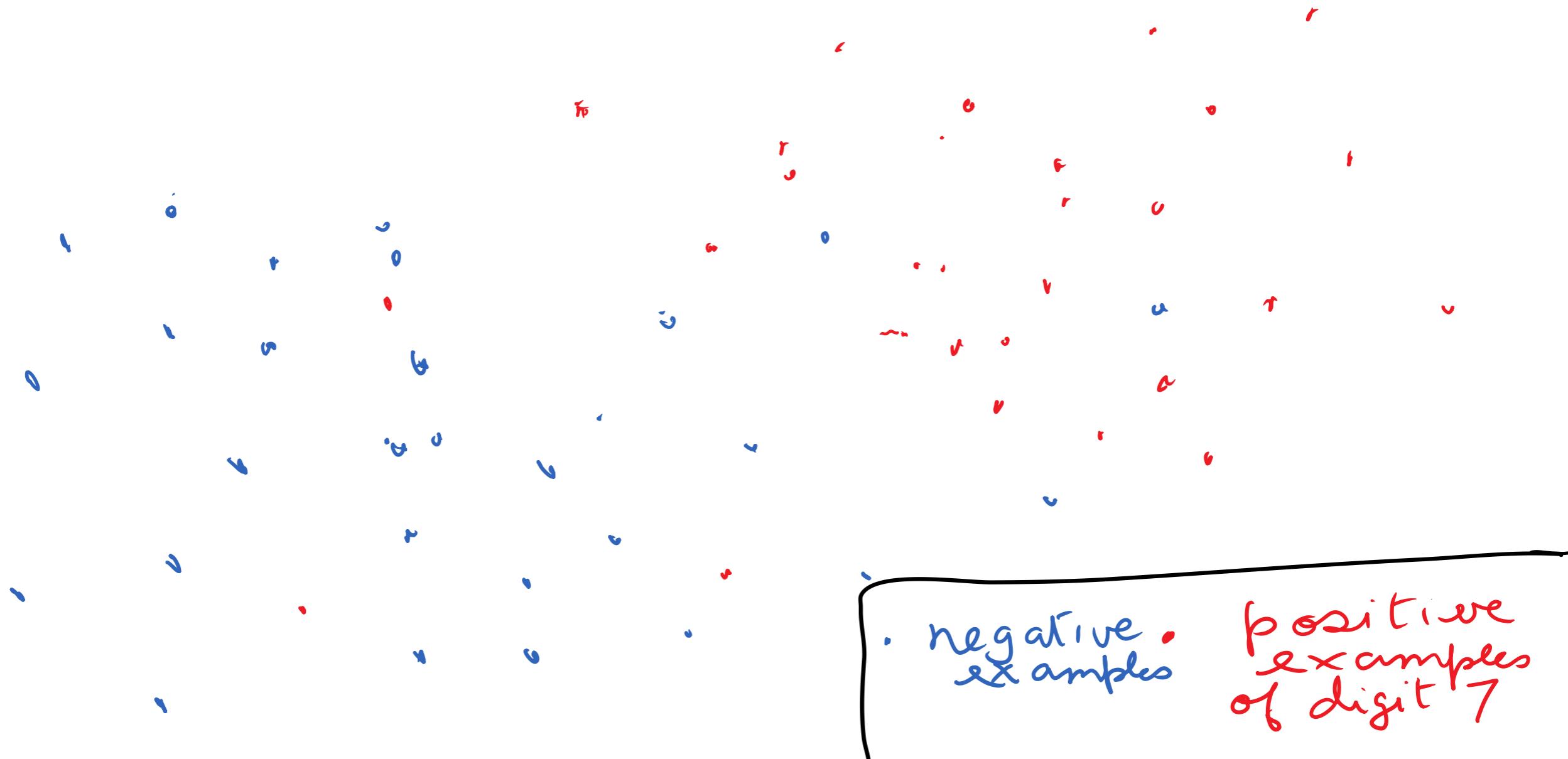
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.5	1	0	0
1	0	0	0

image  
patch

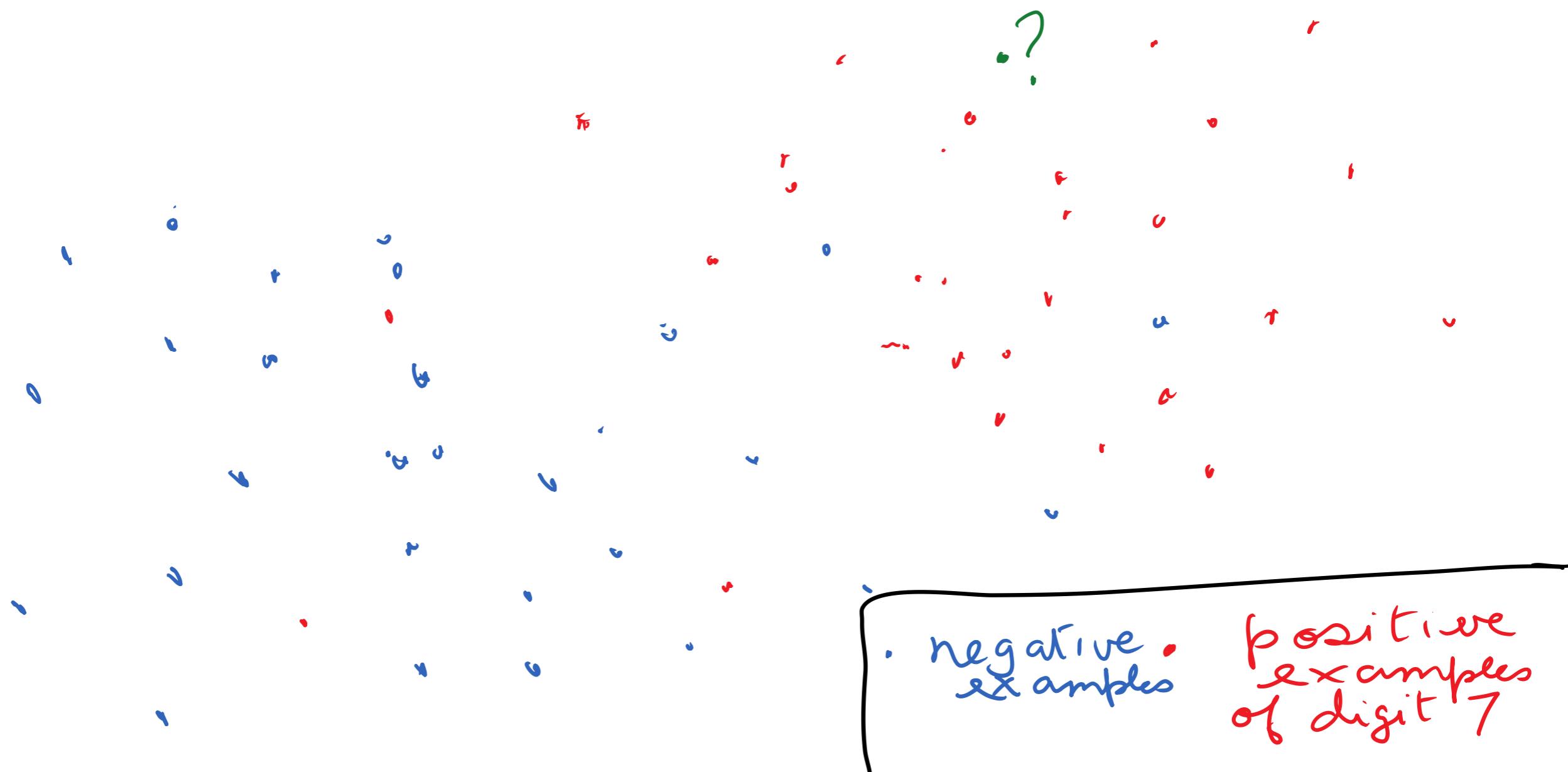
# Let us take an example...



In feature space, positive and negative examples are just points...

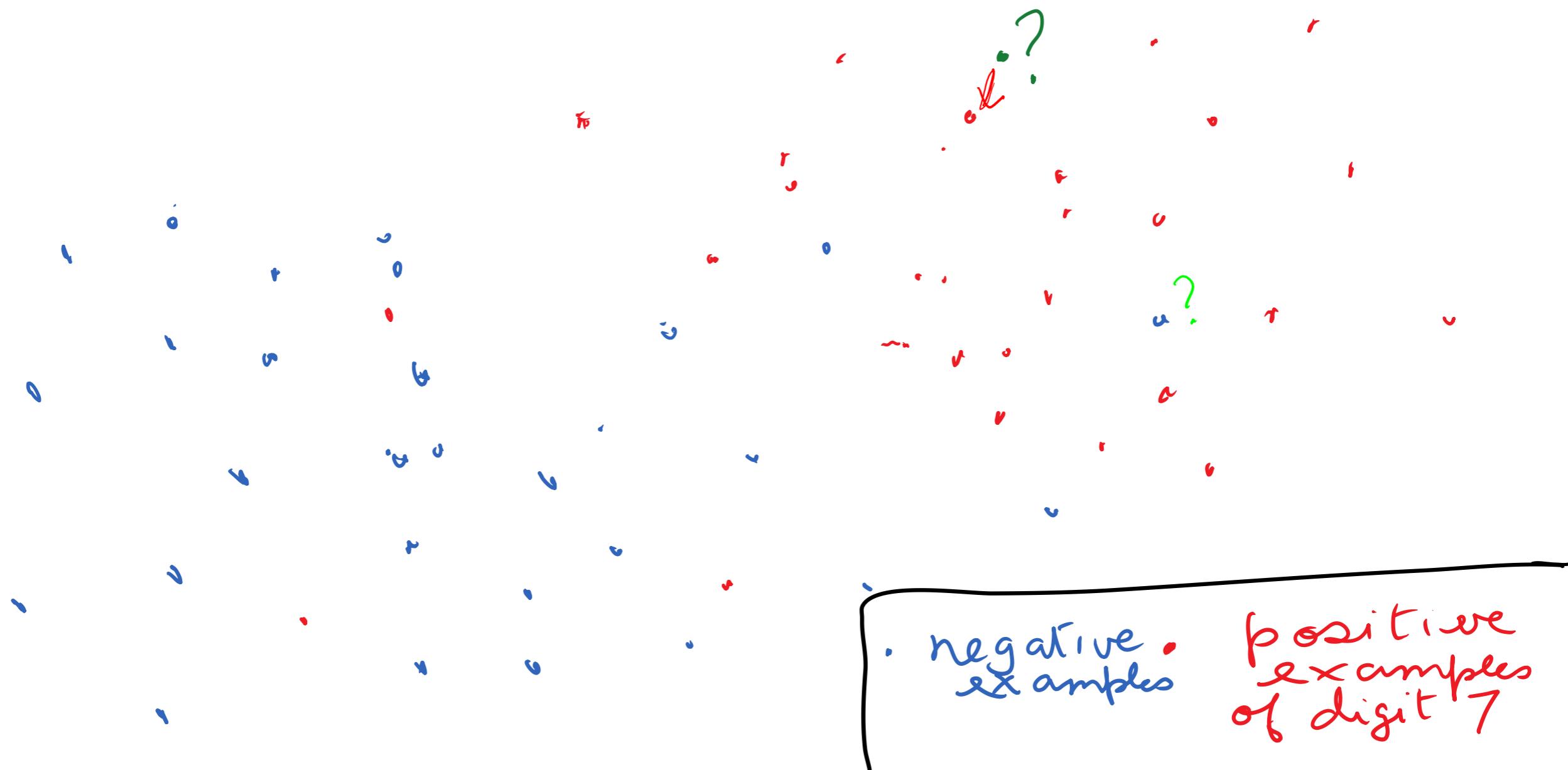


# How do we classify a new point?

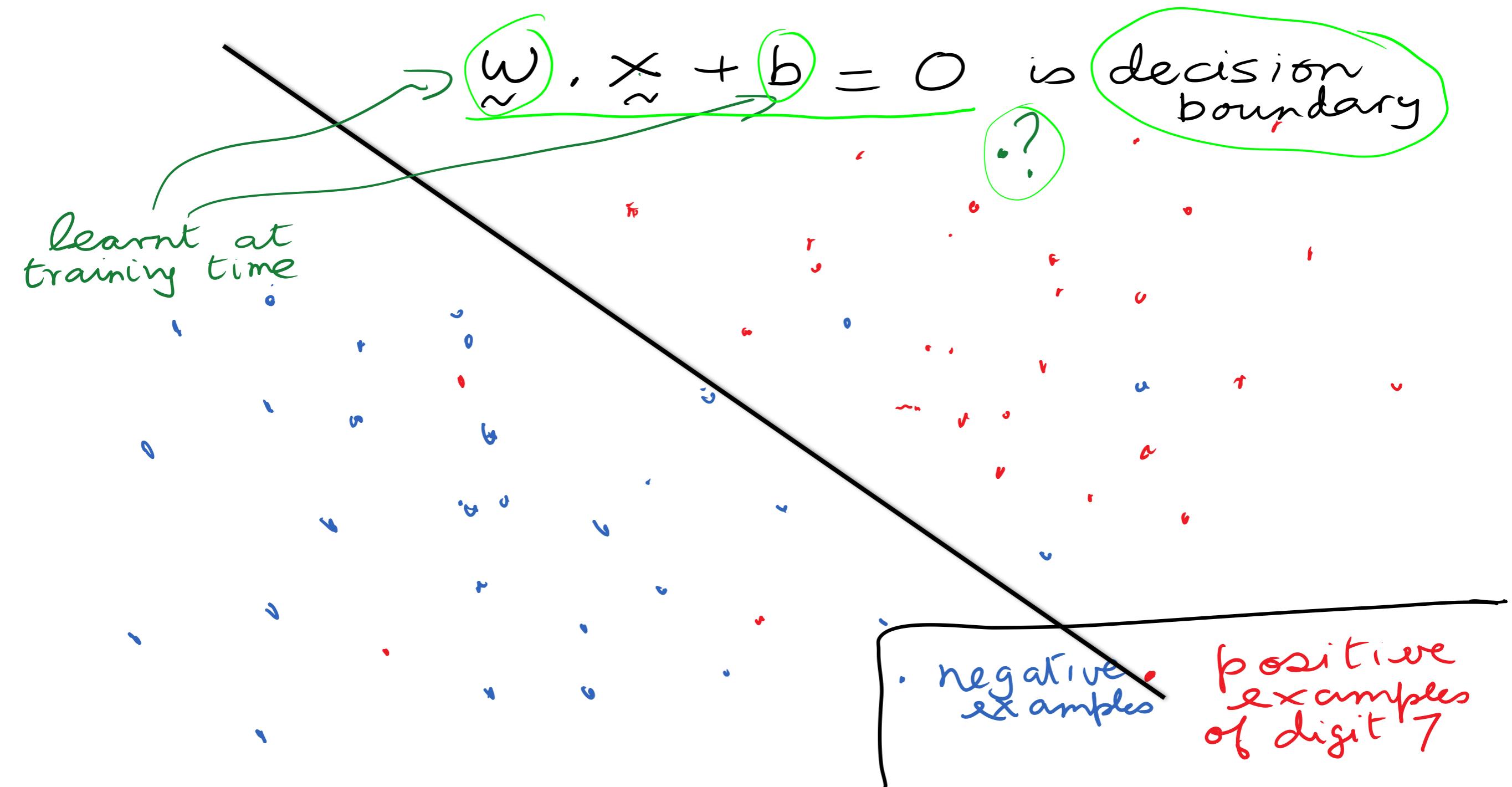


# Nearest neighbor rule

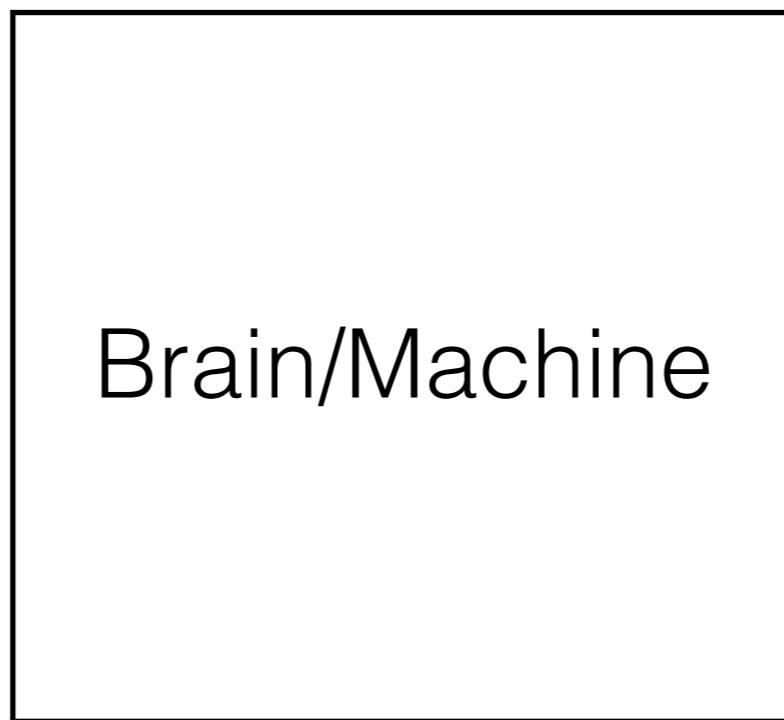
“transfer label of nearest example”



# Linear classifier rule

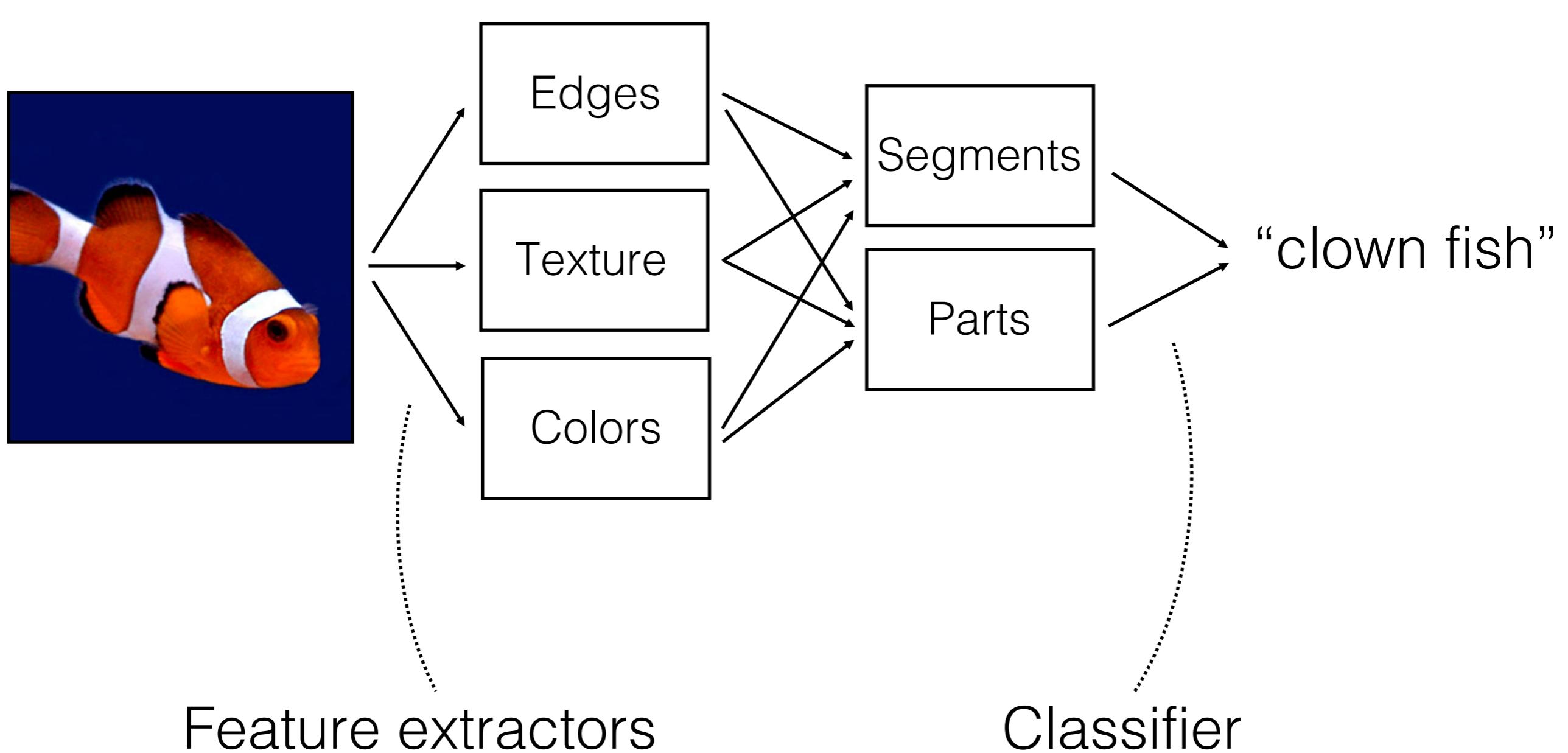


# Basic idea



"clown fish"

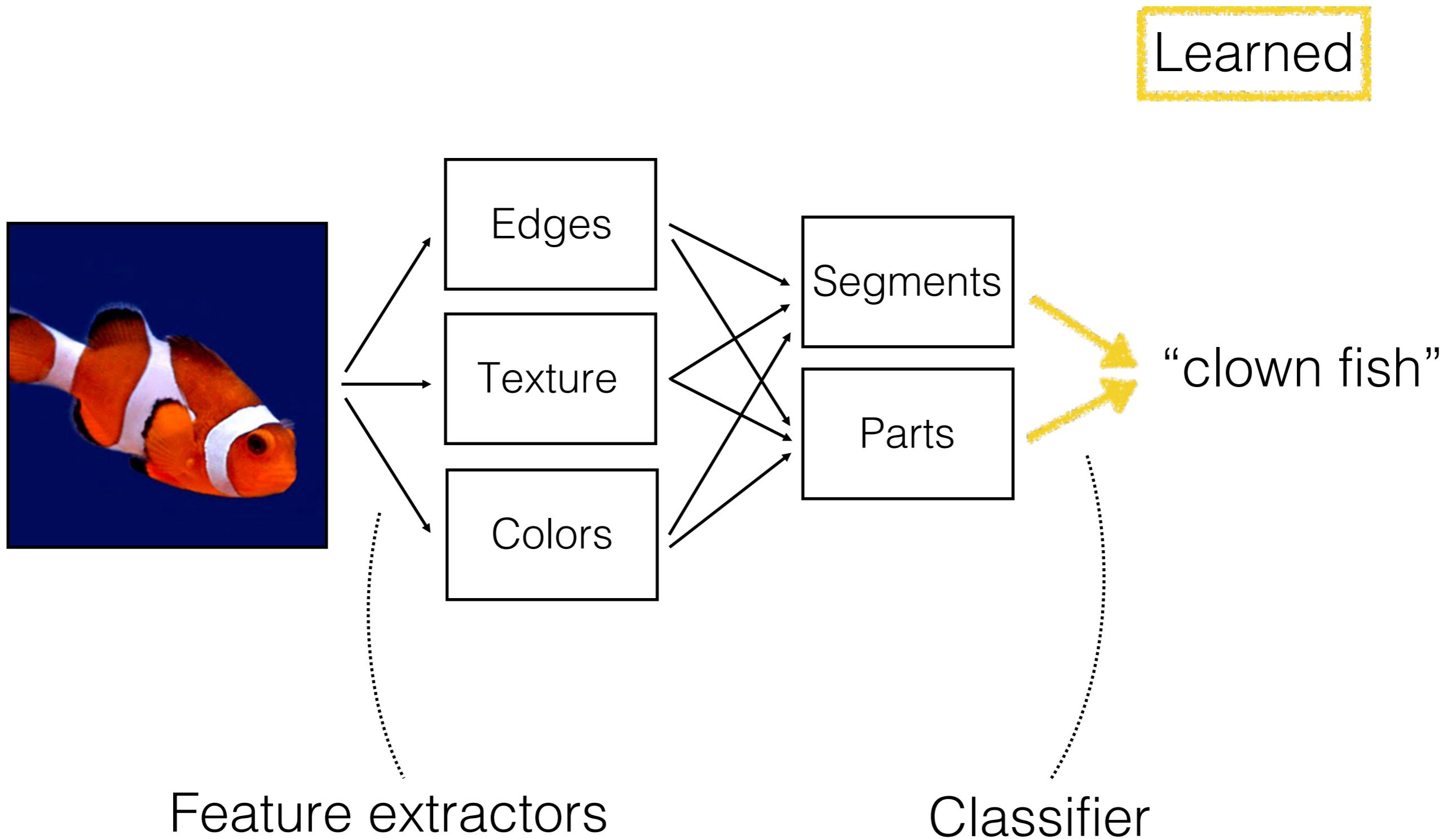
# Object recognition



Feature extractors

Classifier

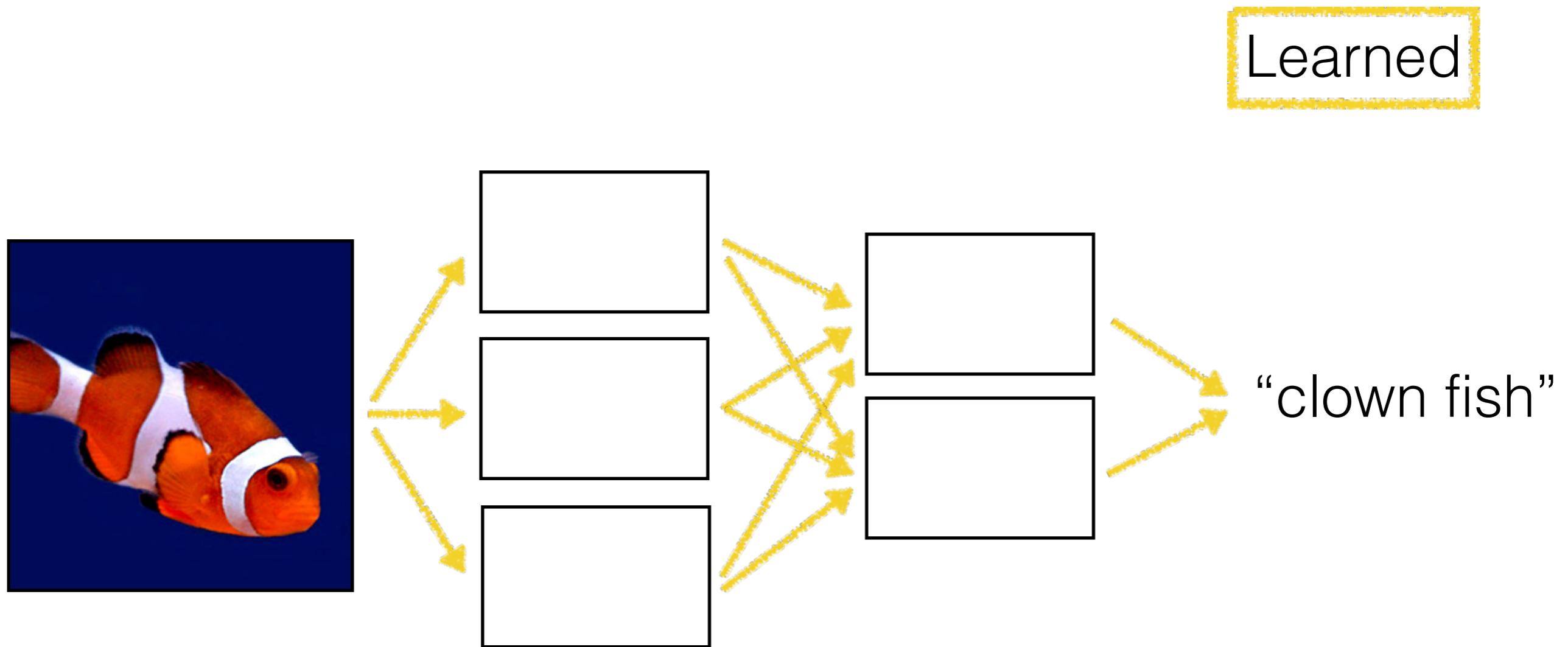
# Object recognition



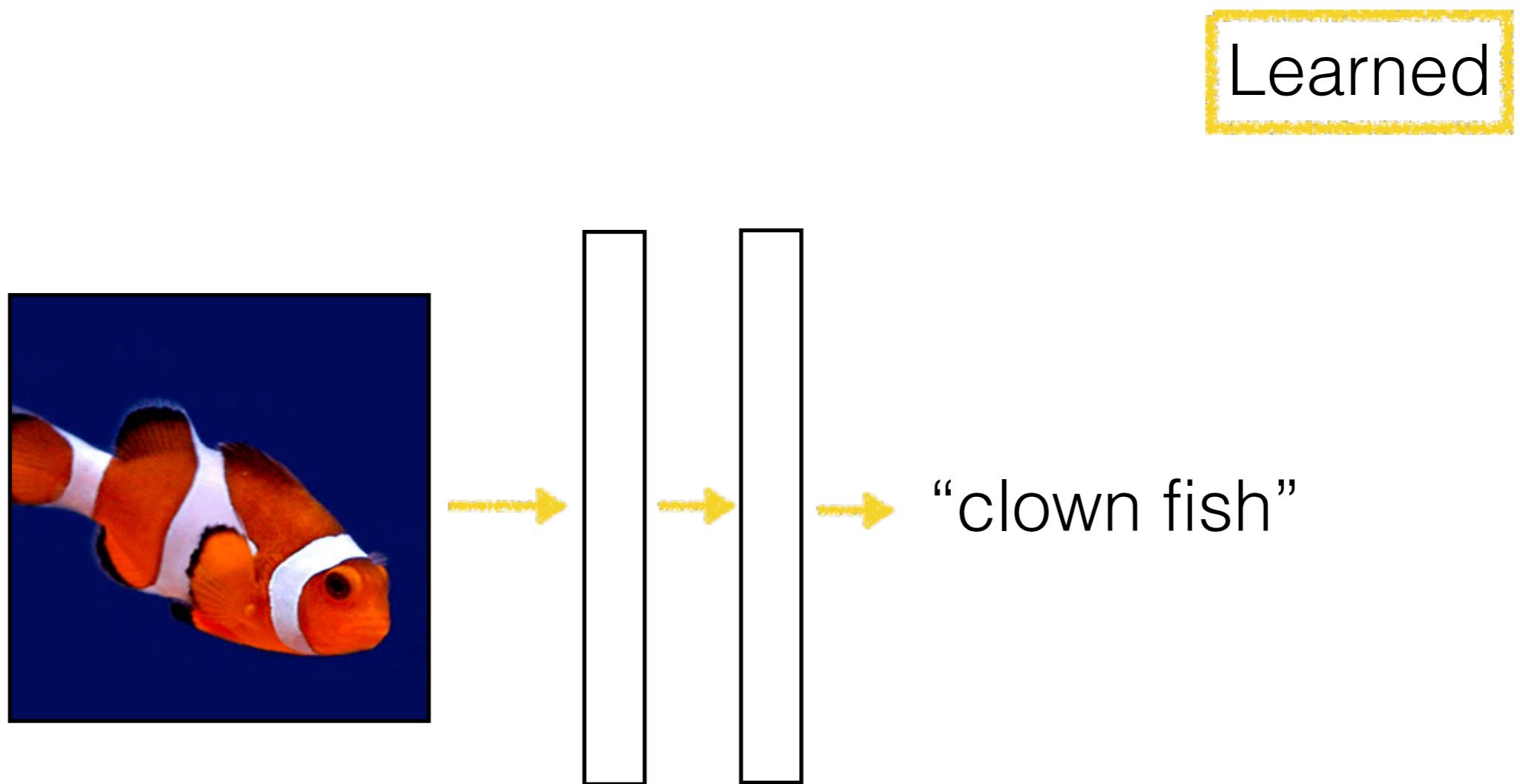
Feature extractors

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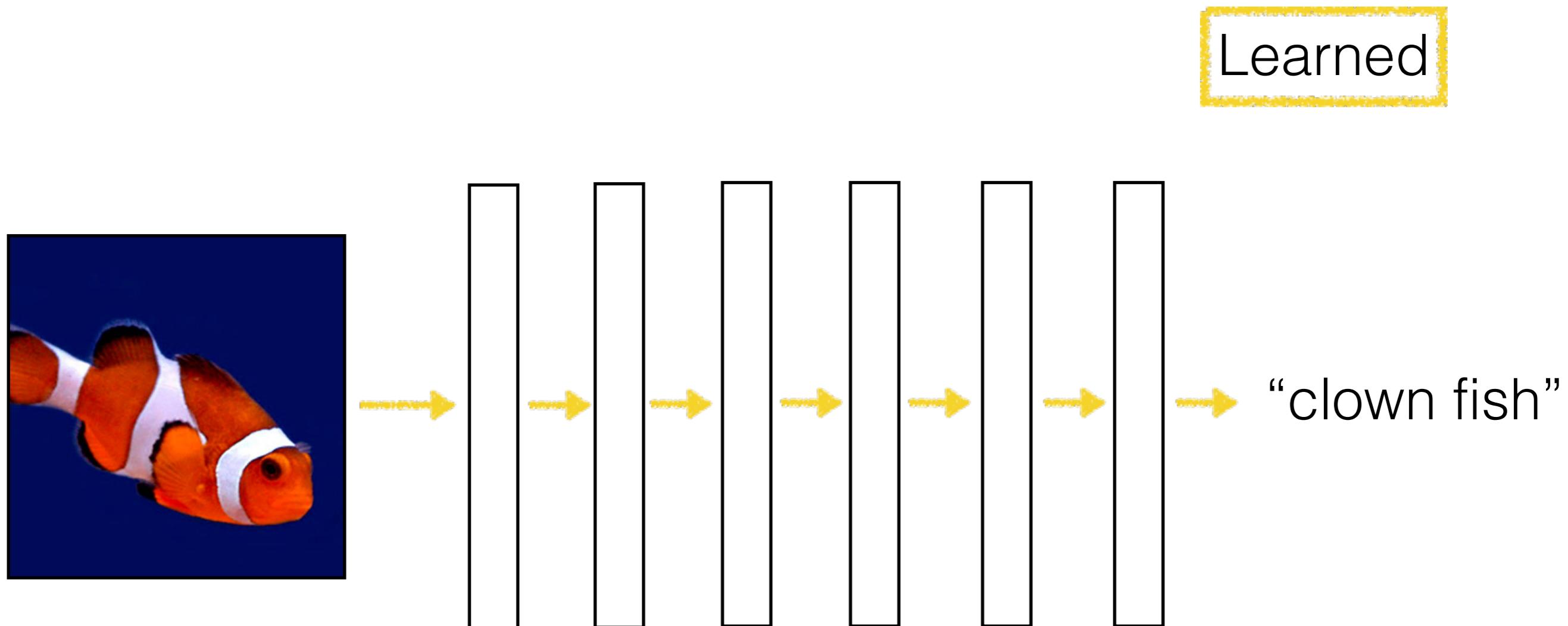
# Neural network



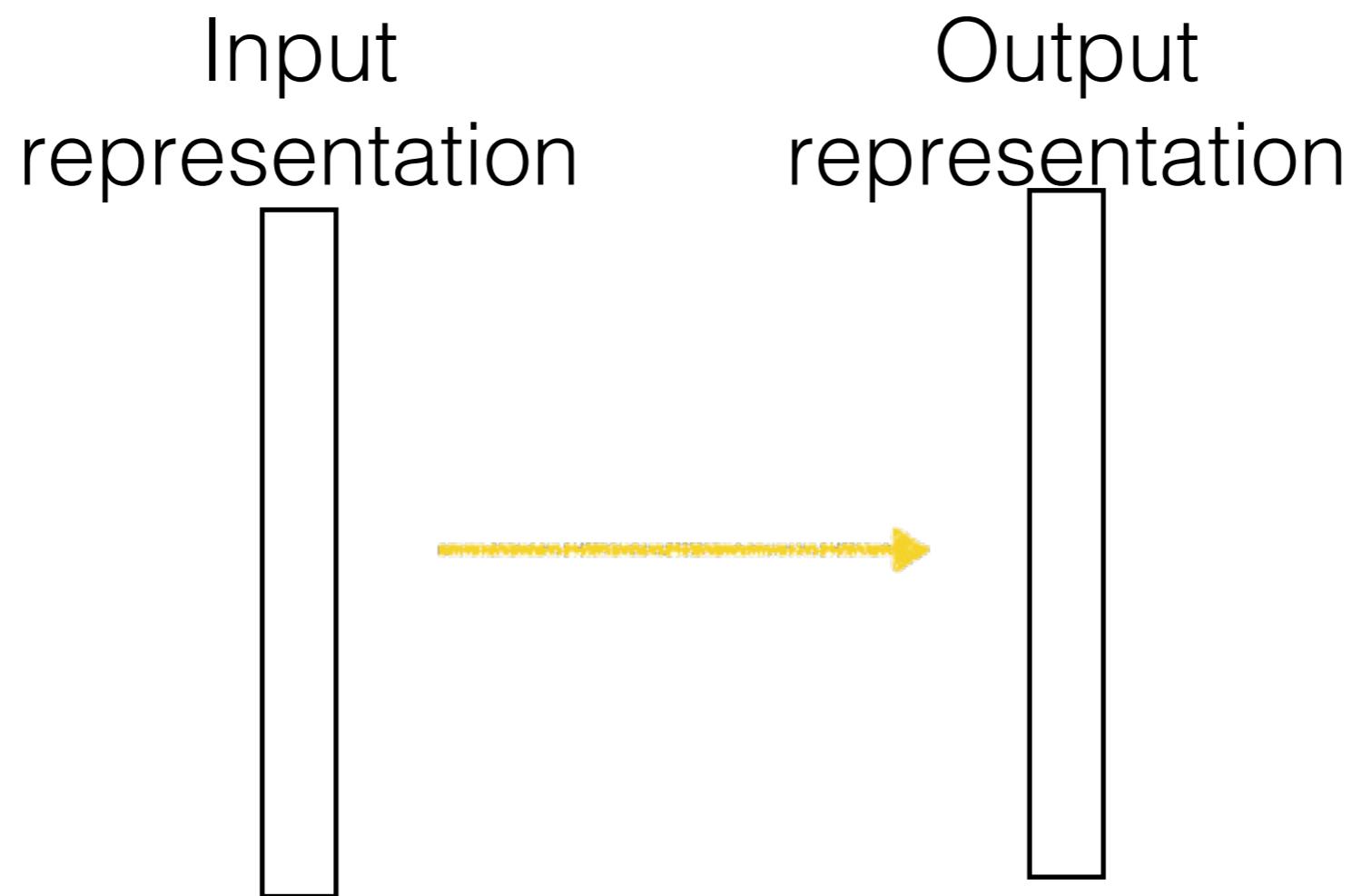
# Neural network



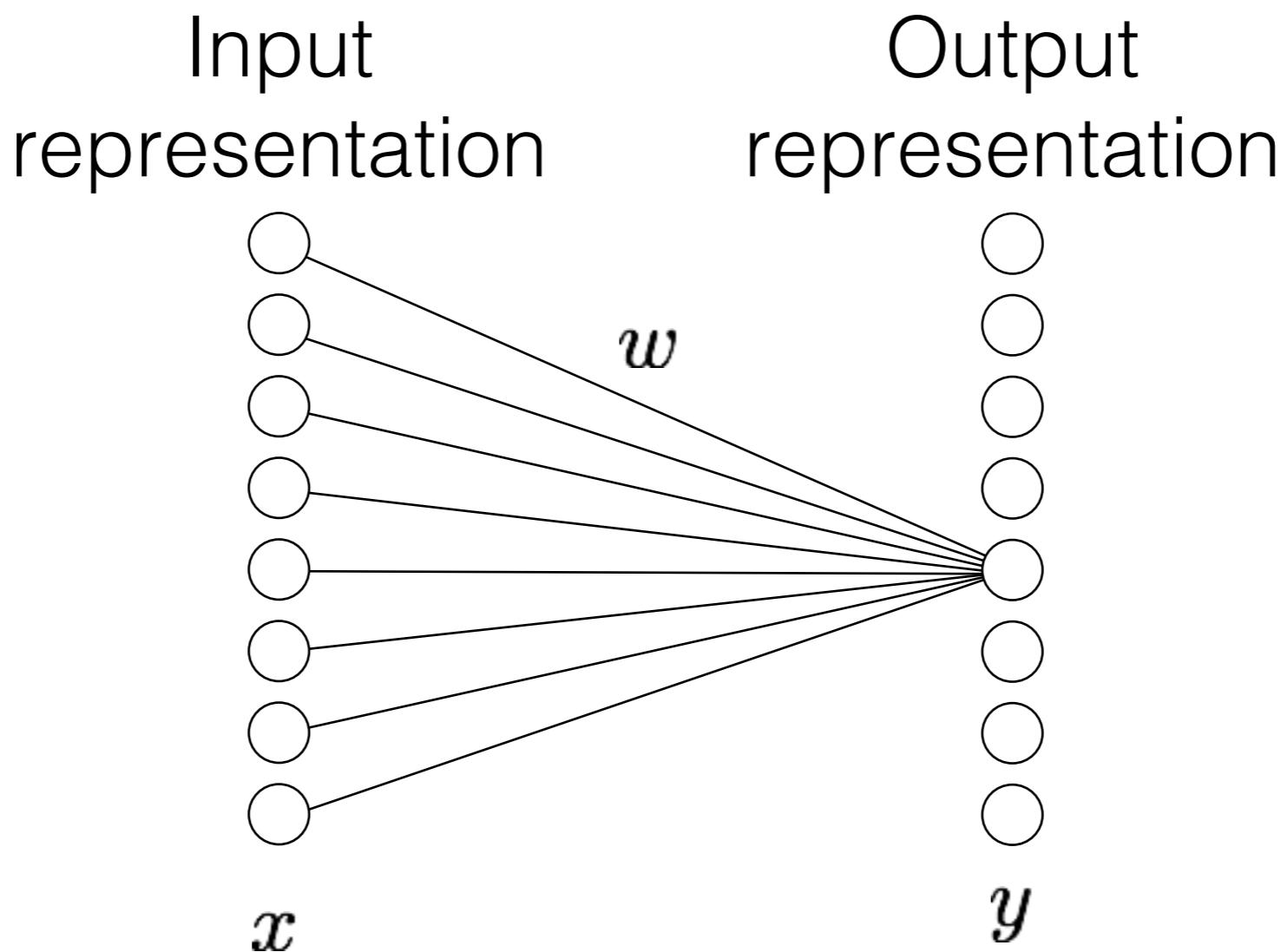
# Deep neural network



# Computation in a neural net



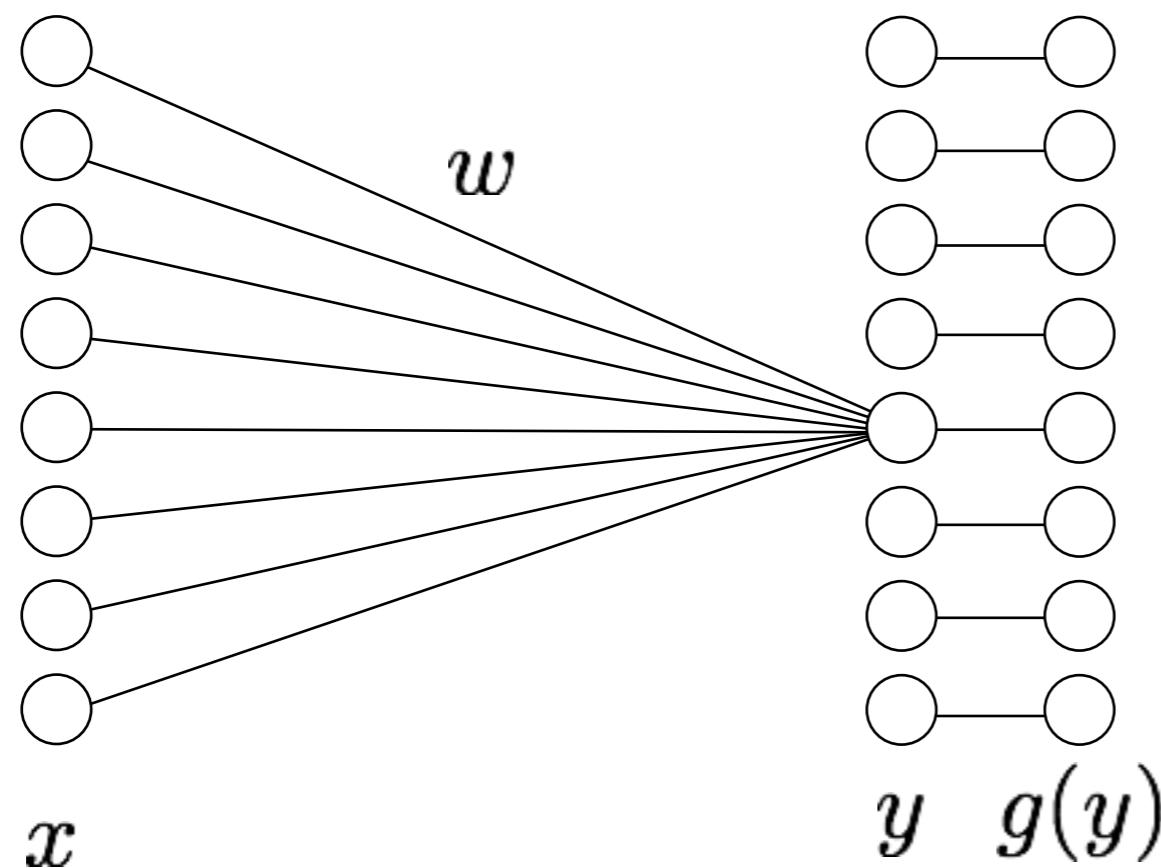
# Computation in a neural net



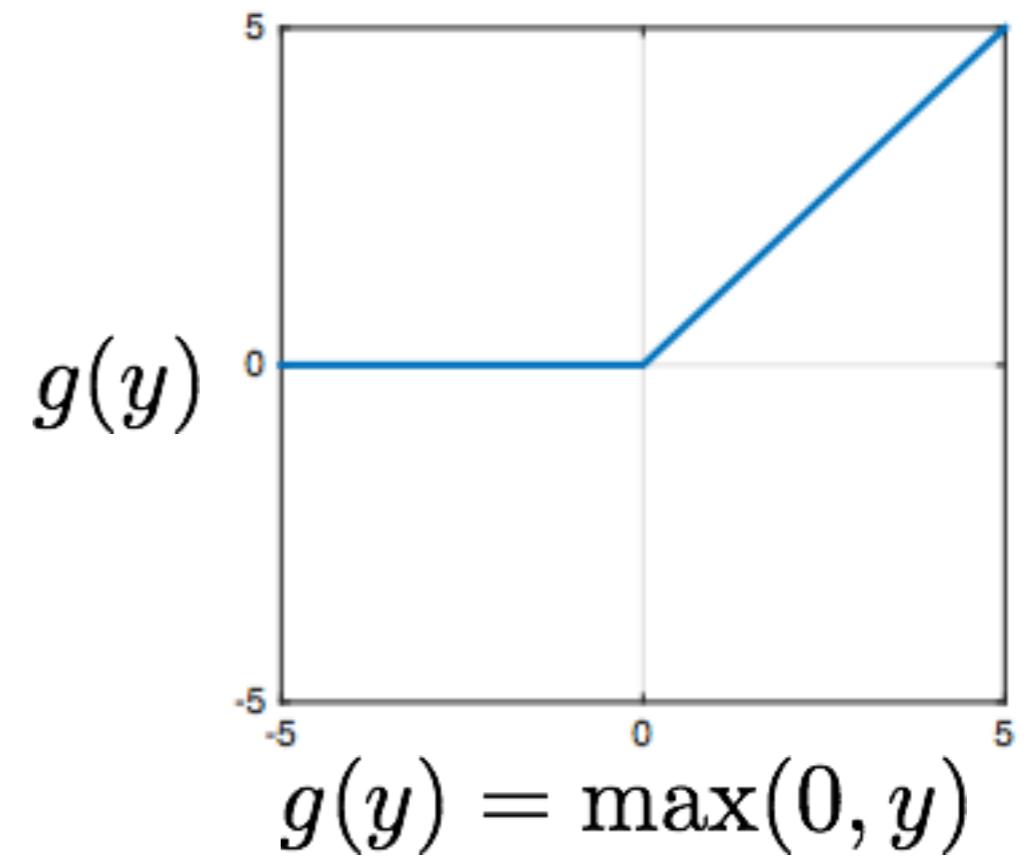
$$y_j = \sum_i w_{ij} x_i$$

i: the  $i^{th}$  dimension of  $x$ , j; the  $j^{th}$  dimension of  $y$

# Computation in a neural net

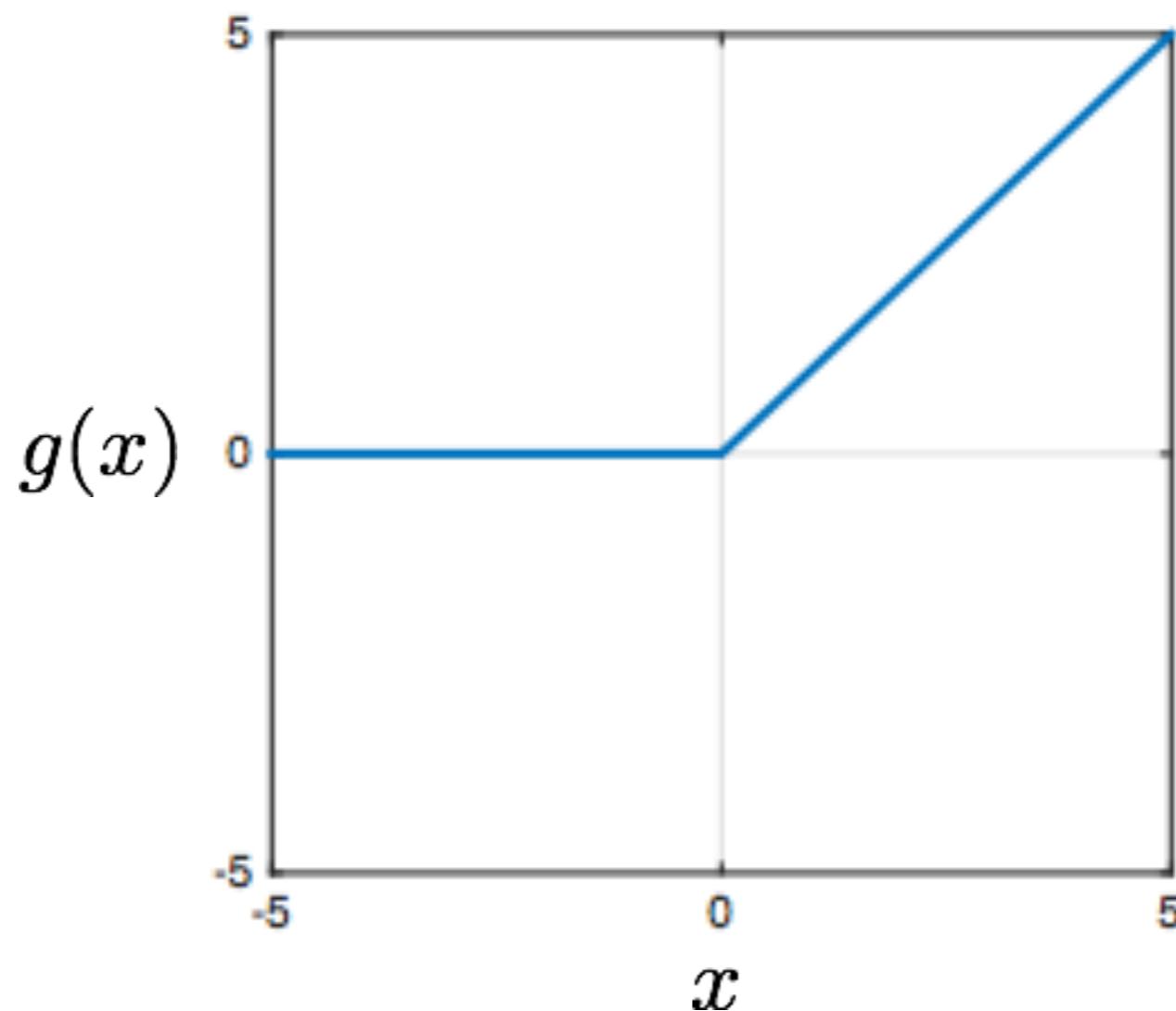


Rectified linear unit (ReLU)



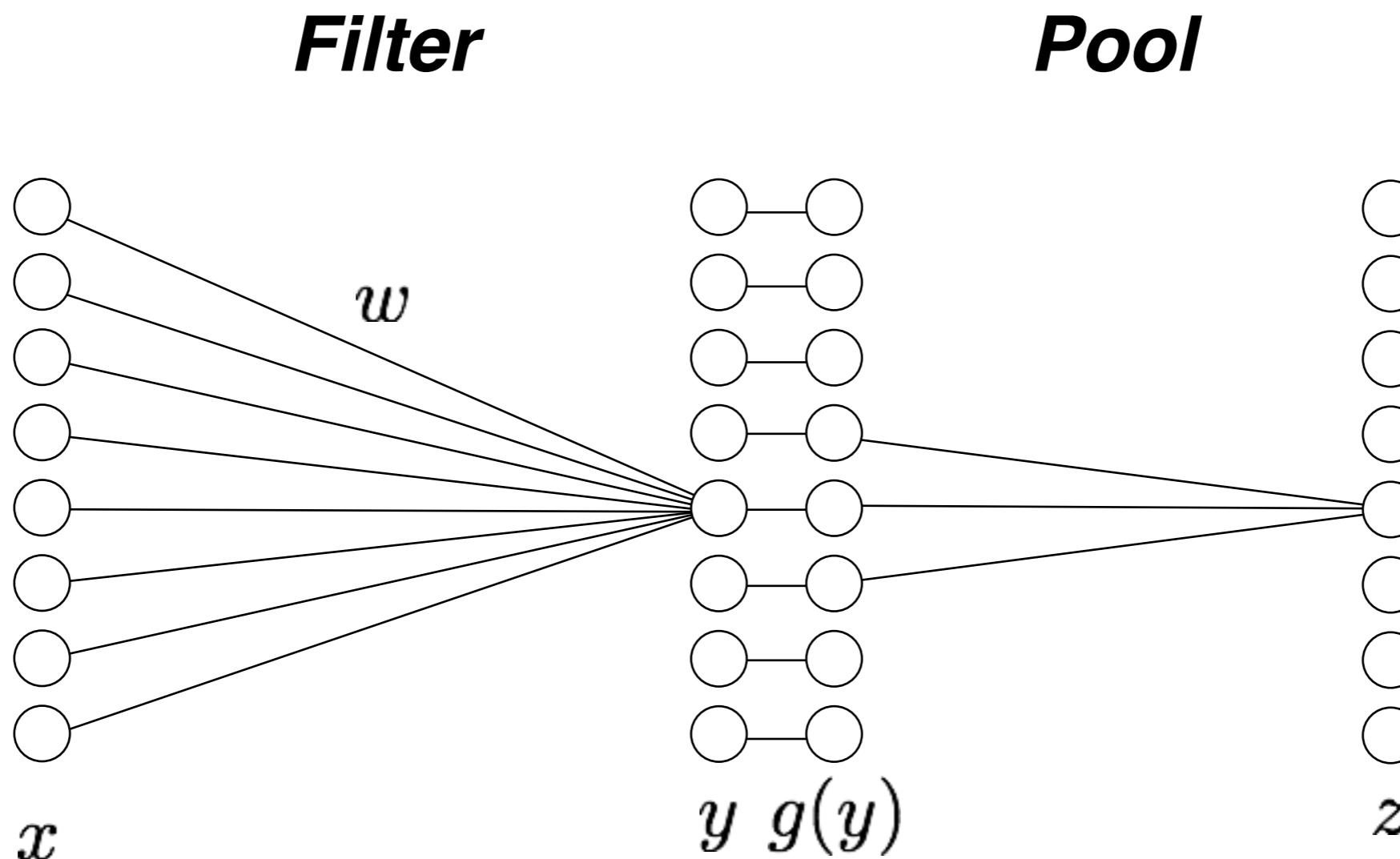
# Computation in a neural net

Rectified linear unit (ReLU)



$$g(x) = \max(0, x)$$

# Computation in a neural net



$$y_j = \sum_i w_{ij} x_i$$

$$z_k = \max_{j \in \mathcal{N}(k)} g(y_j)$$

i: the  $i^{th}$  dimension of  $x$ , j; the  $j^{th}$  dimension of  $y$

# Computation in a neural net

Single depth slice

1	1	2	4
5	6	7	8
3	2	1	0
1	2	3	4

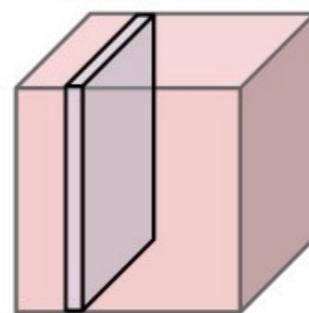
x



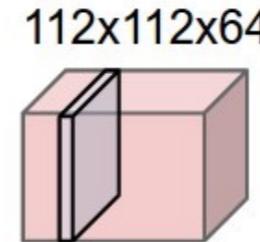
max pool with 2x2 filters  
and stride 2

6	8
3	4

224x224x64



pool



224

224

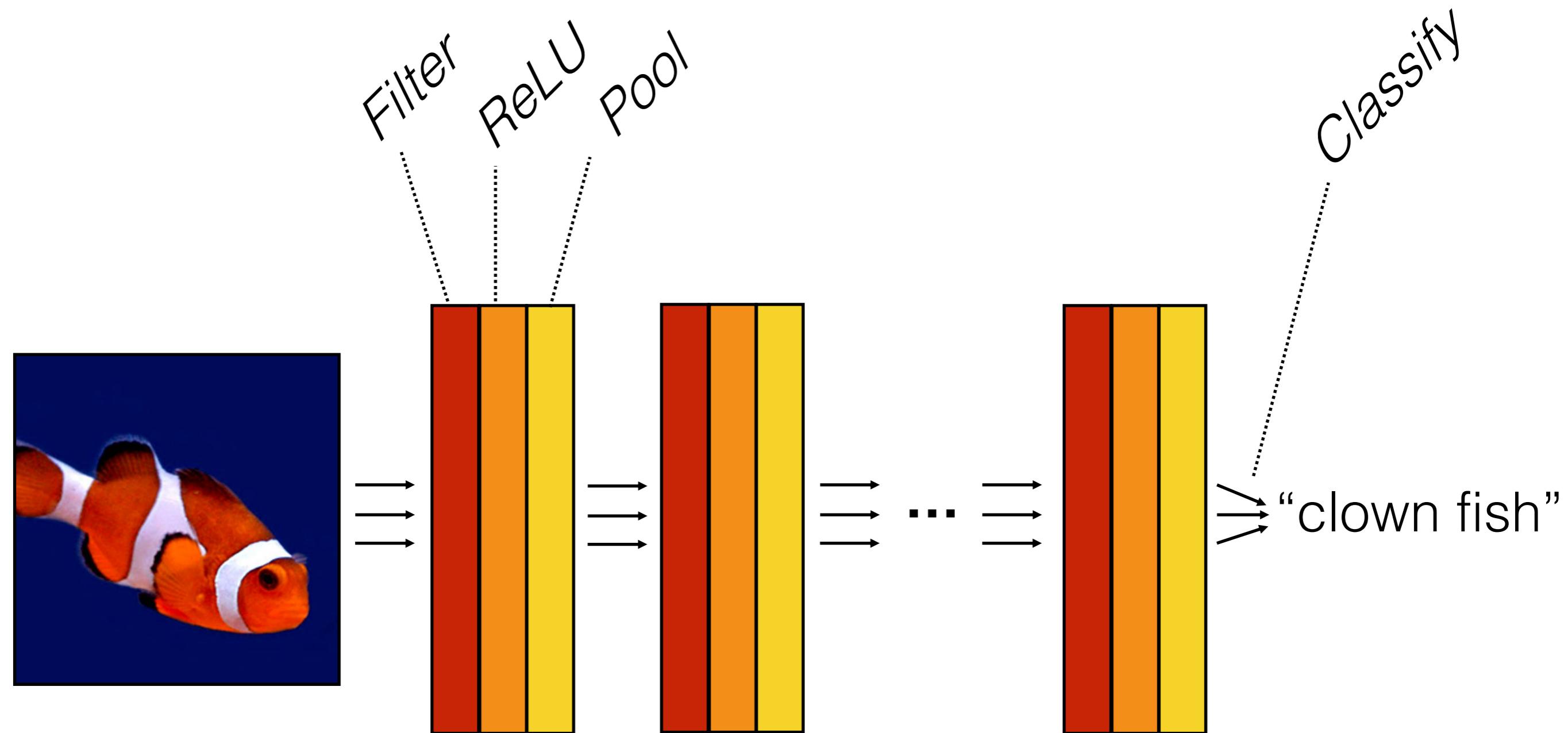
downsampling



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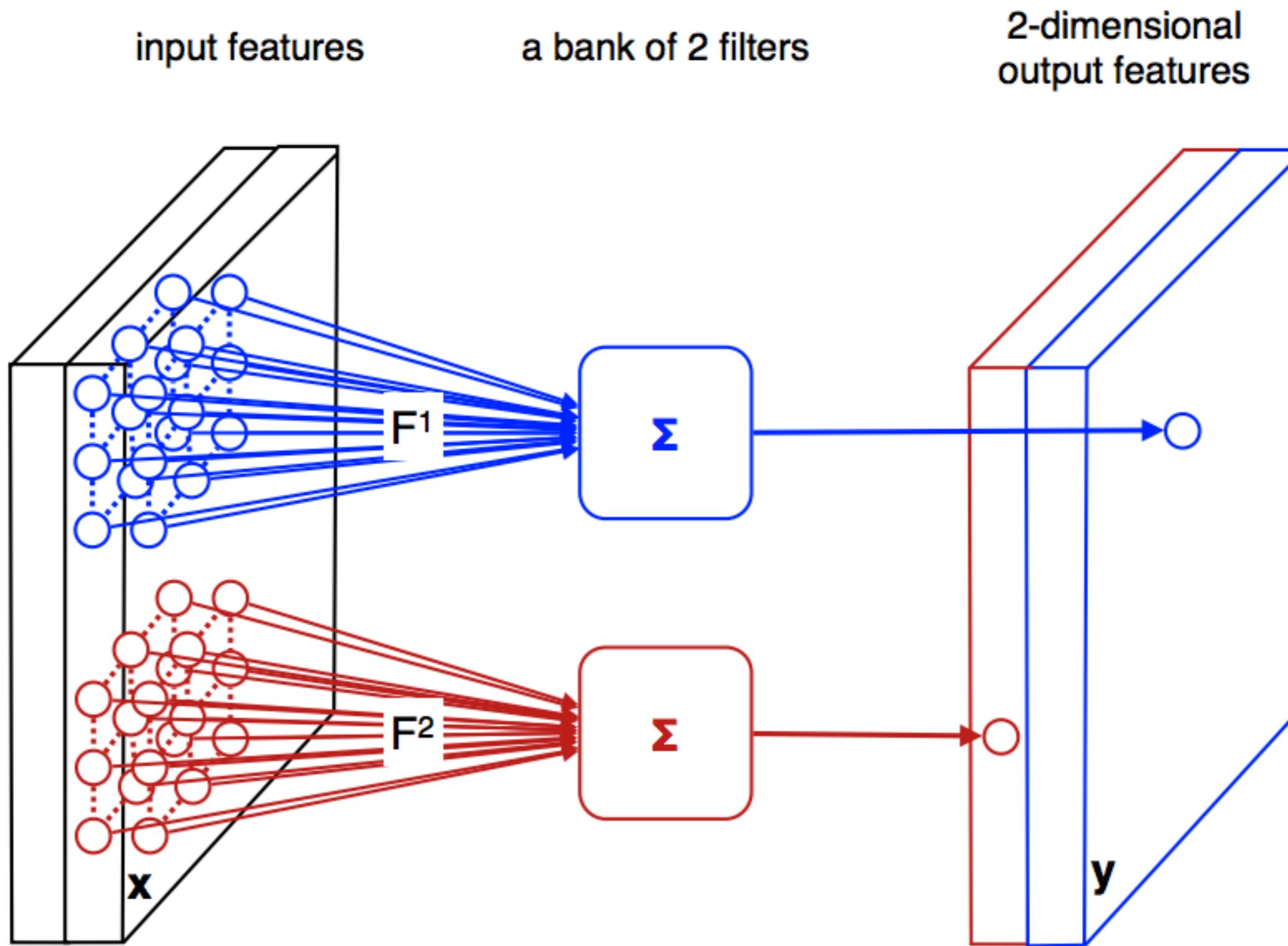
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# Computation in a neural net



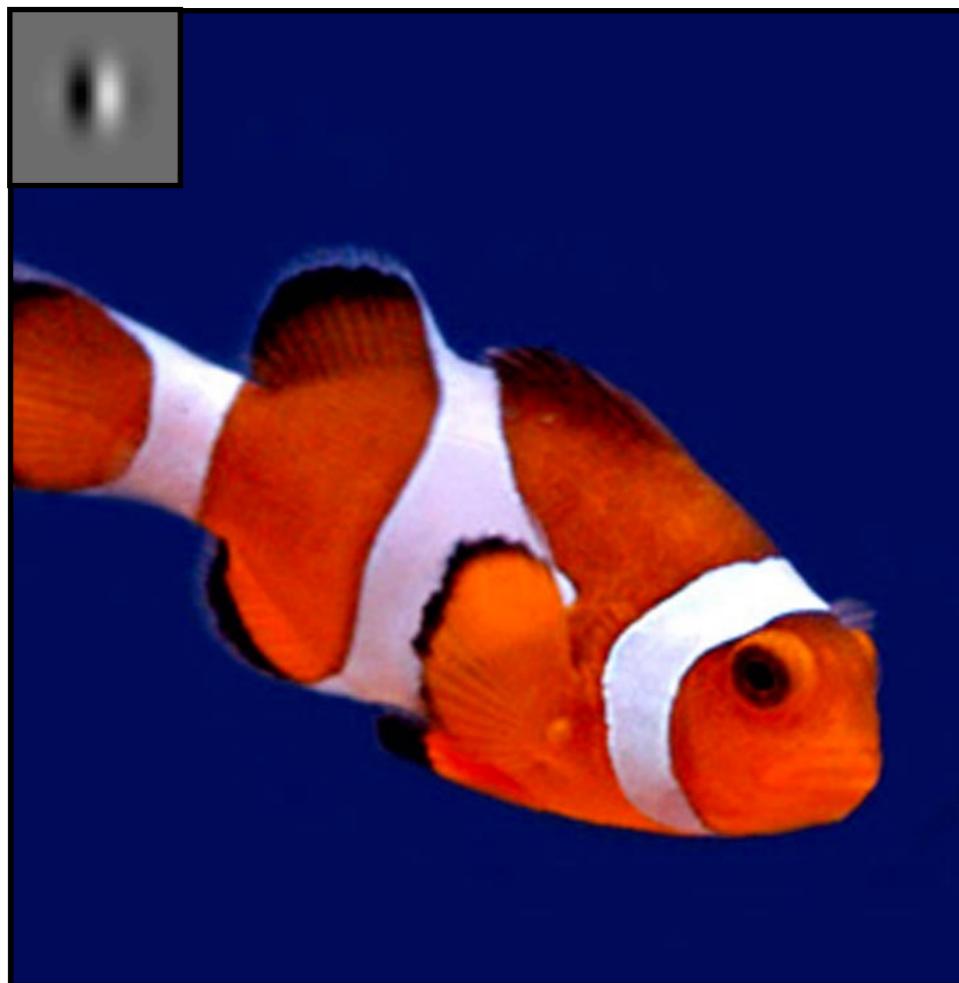
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = f_L(\dots f_2(f_1(\mathbf{x})))$$

# Convolutional Neural Nets

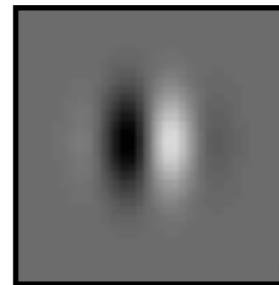


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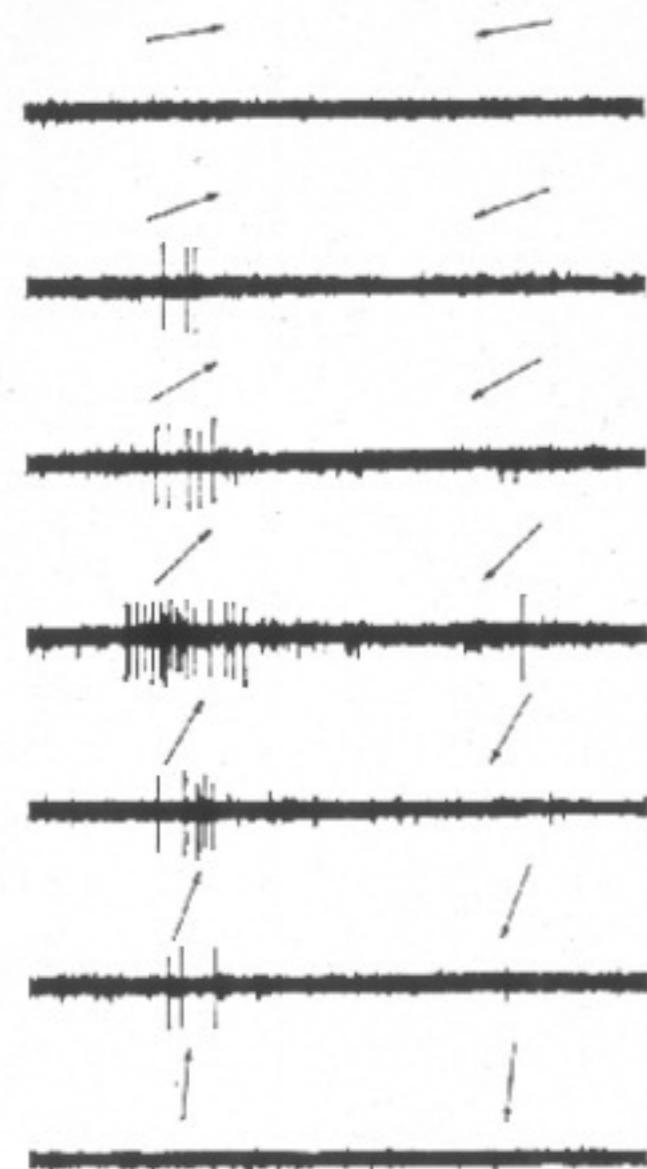
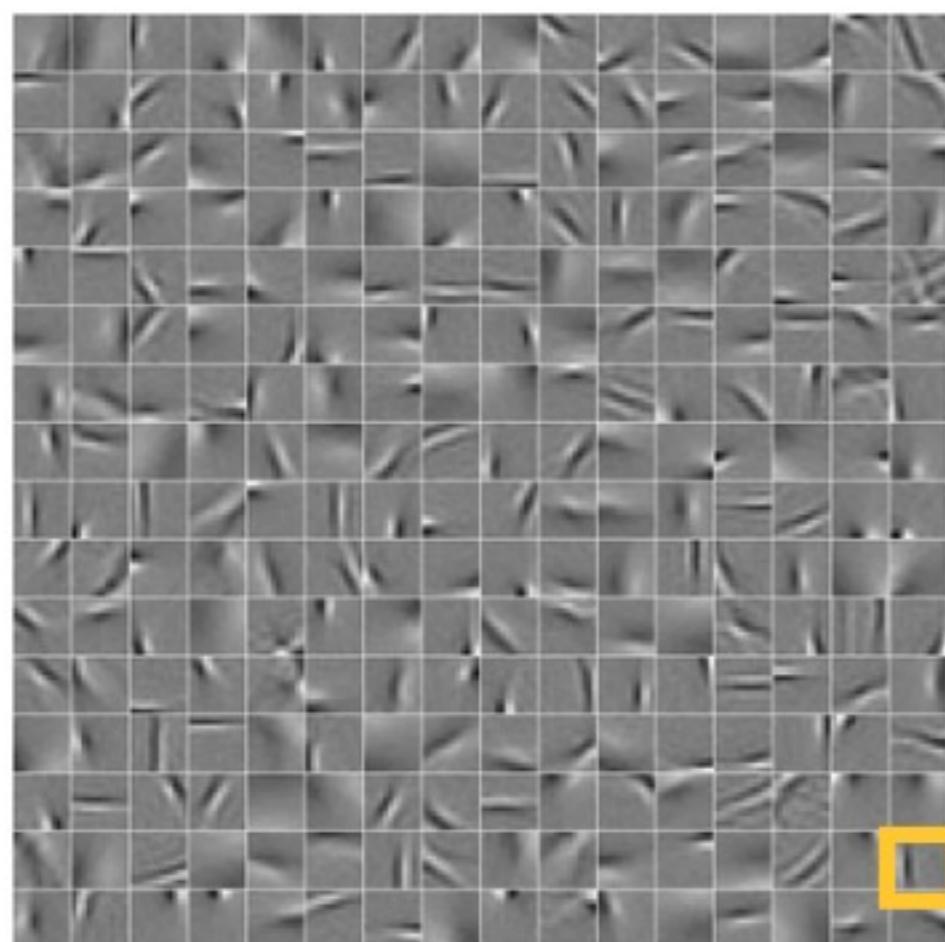
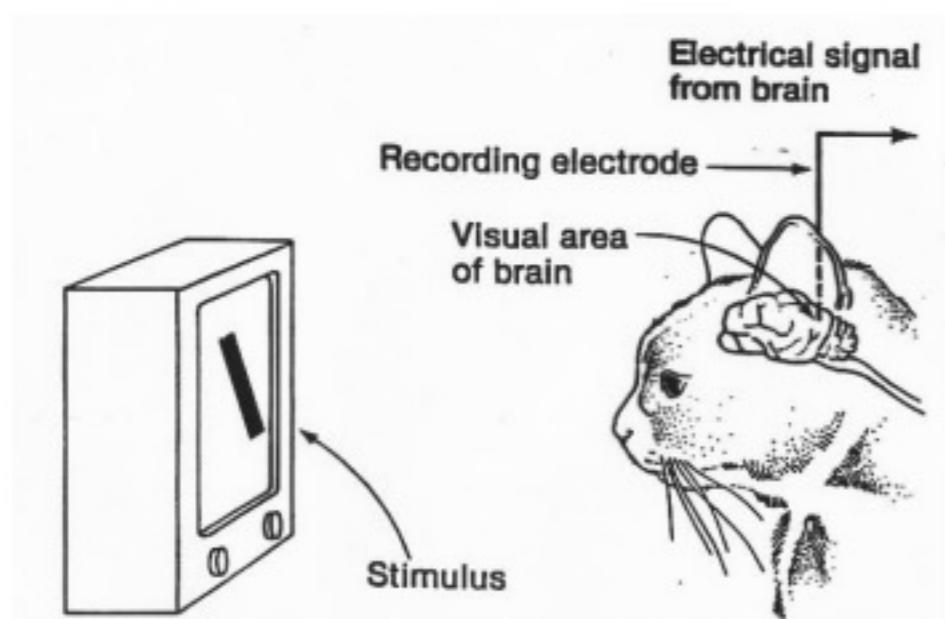
Convolution



filter



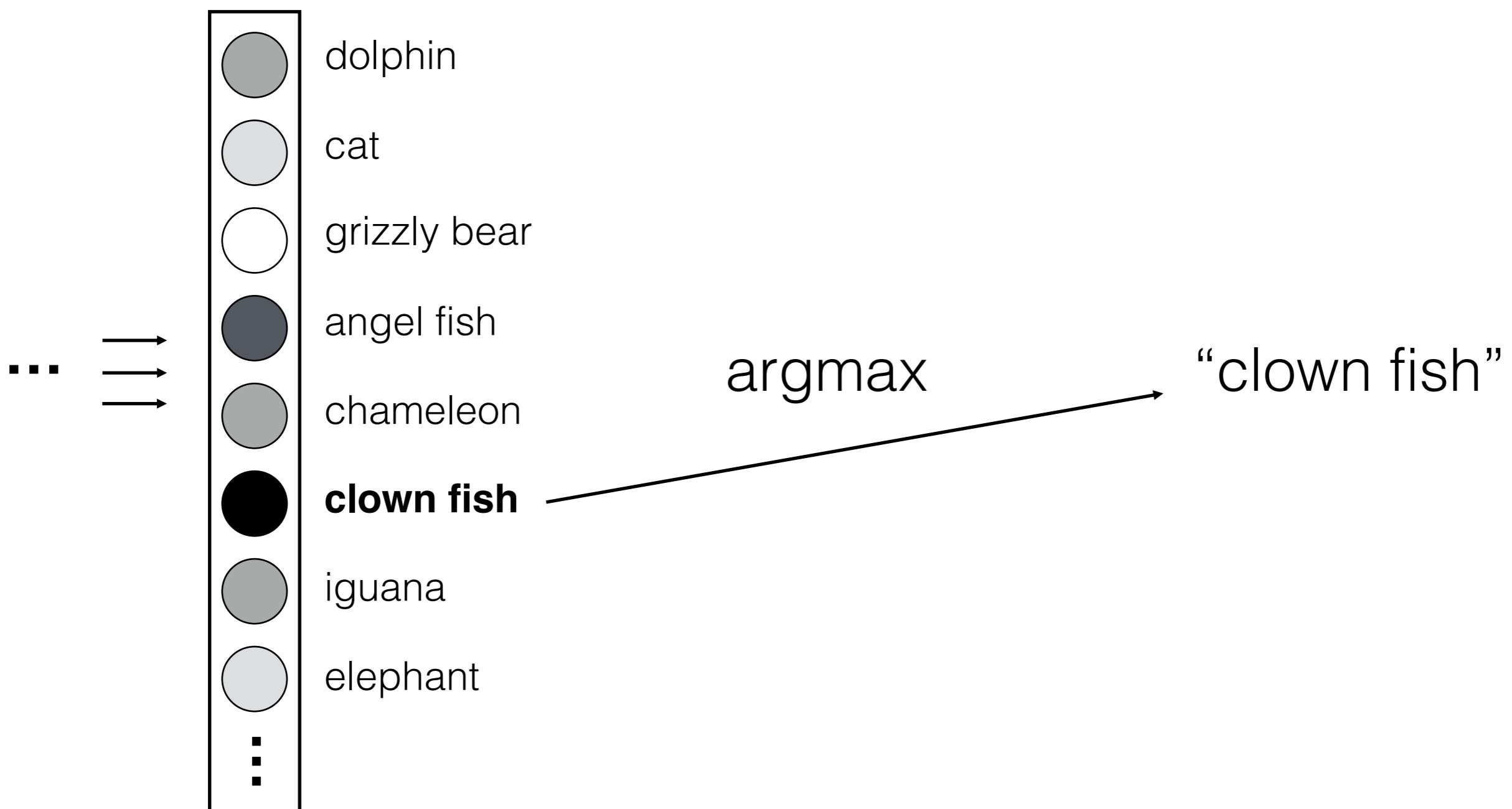
## [Hubel and Wiesel 59]



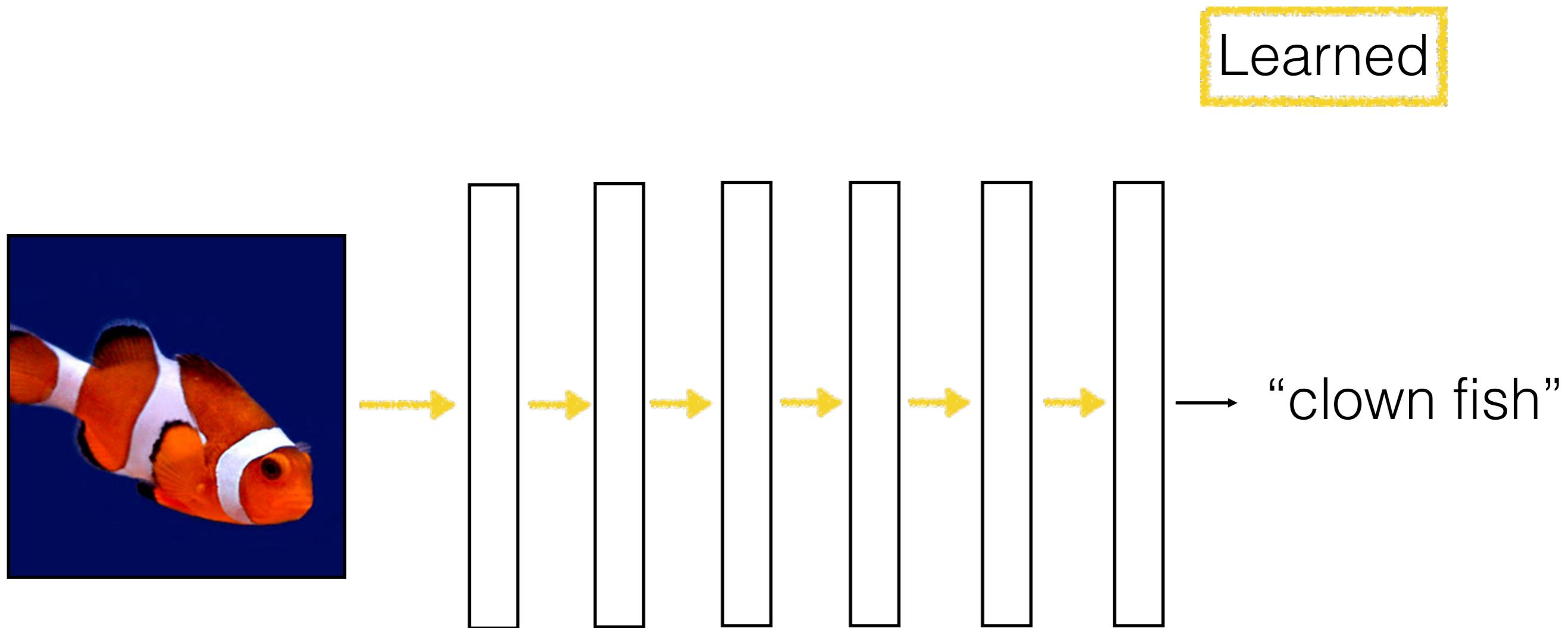
oriented filter

# Computation in a neural net

Last layer



# Learning with deep nets



# Learning with deep nets



→ “clown fish”



→ “grizzly bear”



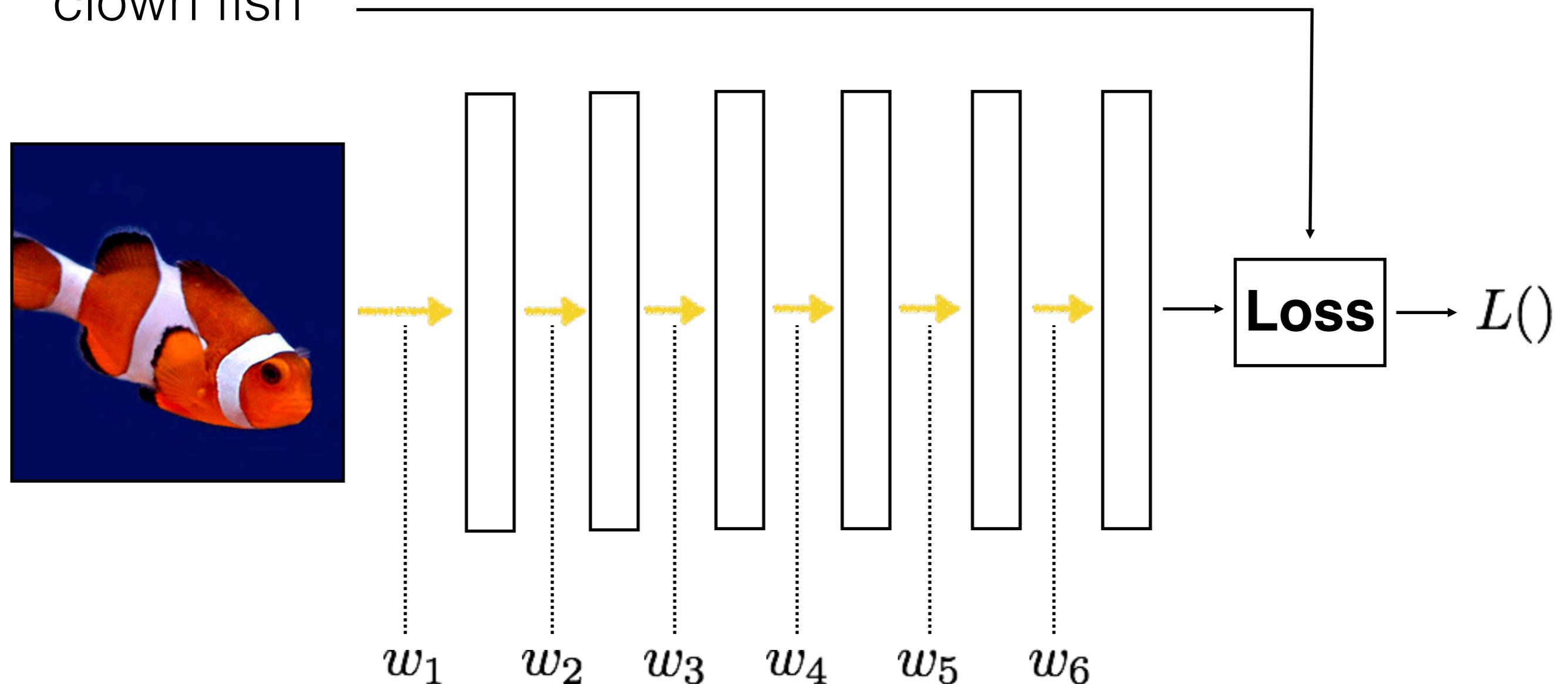
→ “chameleon”

Train network to  
associate the right  
label with each image

# Learning with deep nets

Learned

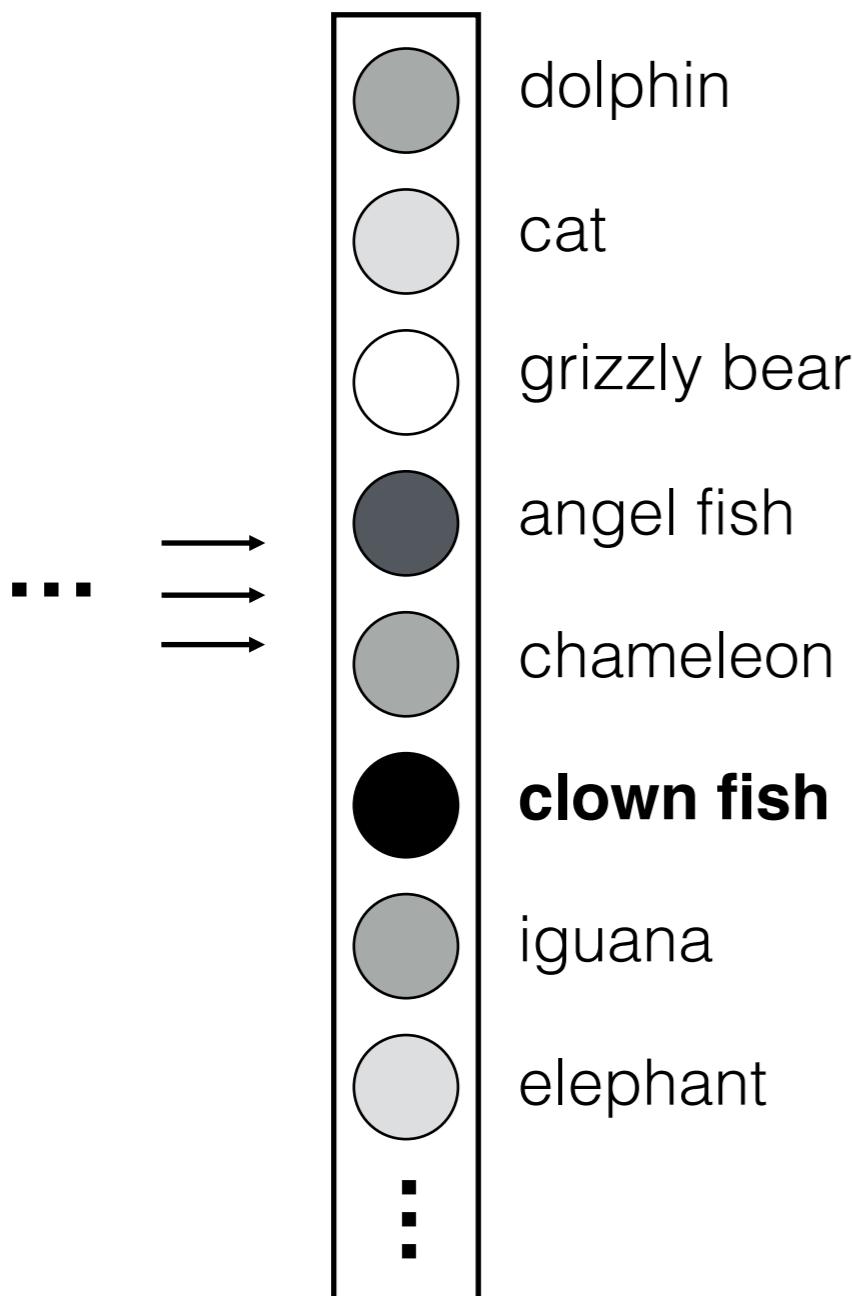
“clown fish”



$$\underset{\mathbf{w}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad L(w_1, \dots, w_6)$$

# Loss function

Network output



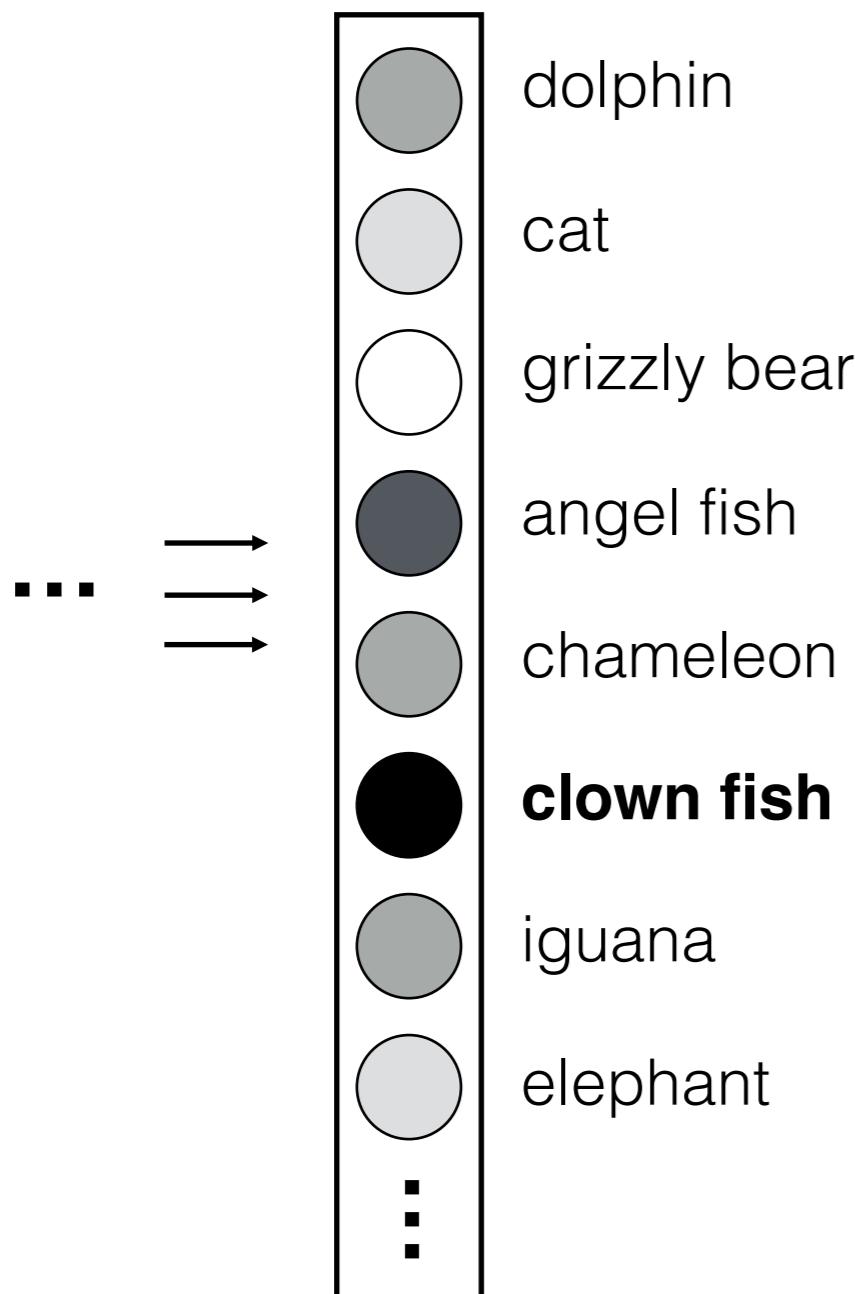
Ground truth label

“clown fish”

↓  
Loss → error

# Loss function

Network output



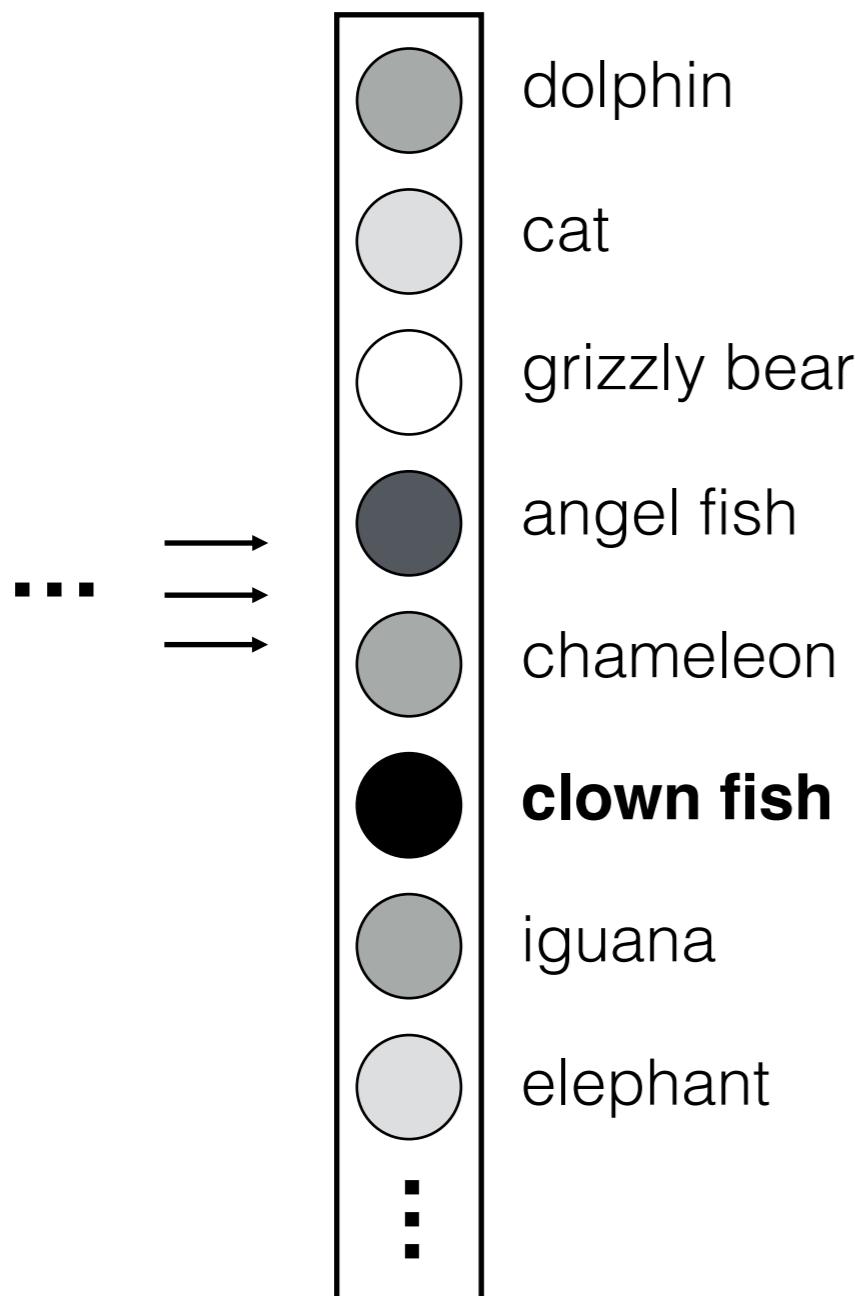
Ground truth label

“clown fish”

↓  
Loss → **small**

# Loss function

Network output



Ground truth label

“grizzly bear”

Loss → **large**

# Loss function for classification

Network output

Ground truth label



**Probability of the observed data under the model**

$$H(\hat{z}, z) = - \sum_c z_c \log \hat{z}_c$$

*Cross-entropy loss*

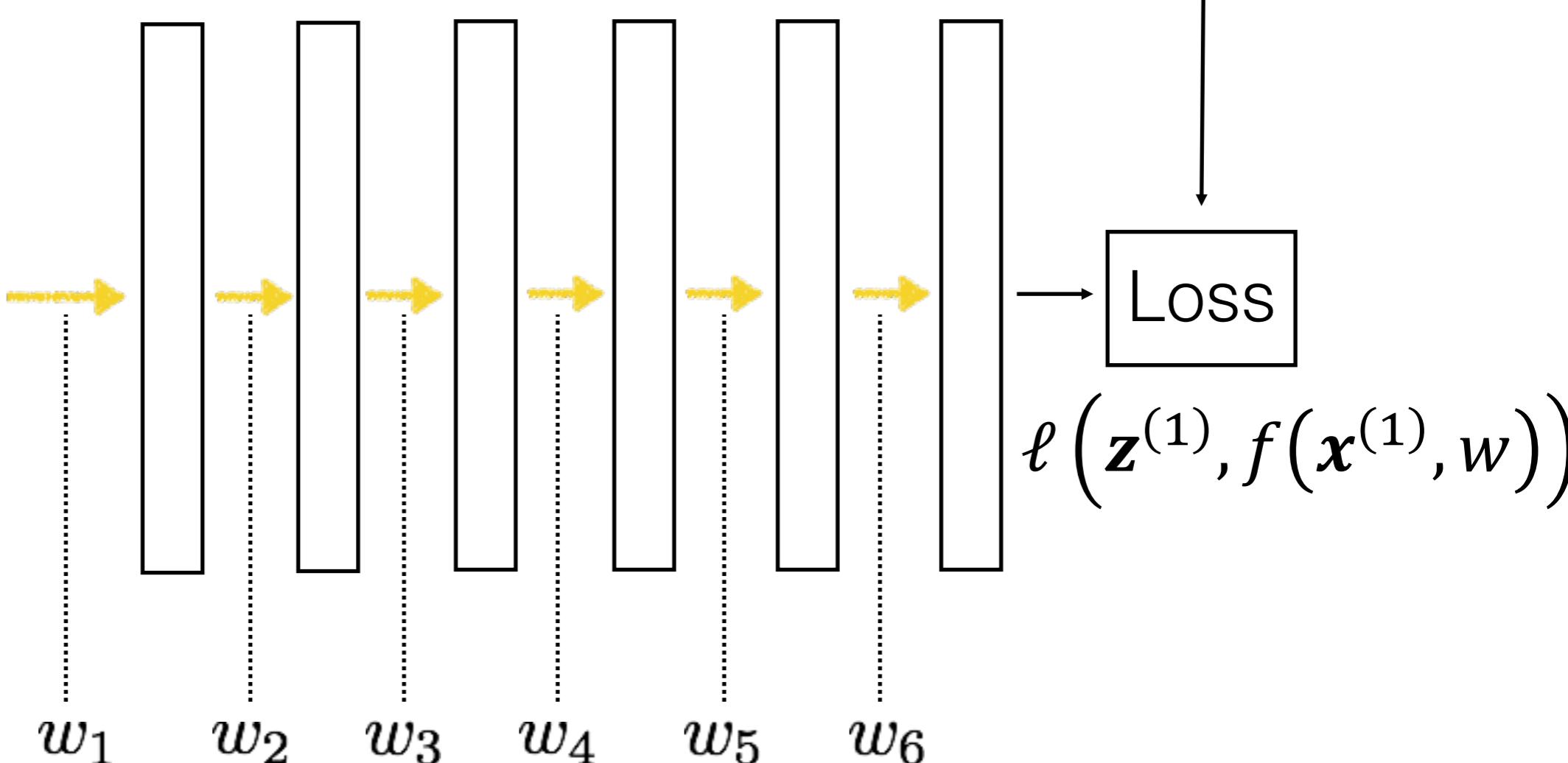
$c$  is the  $c^{th}$  class in the output

# Learning with deep nets

$\mathbf{z}^{(1)}$   
“clown fish”

Learned

$\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$



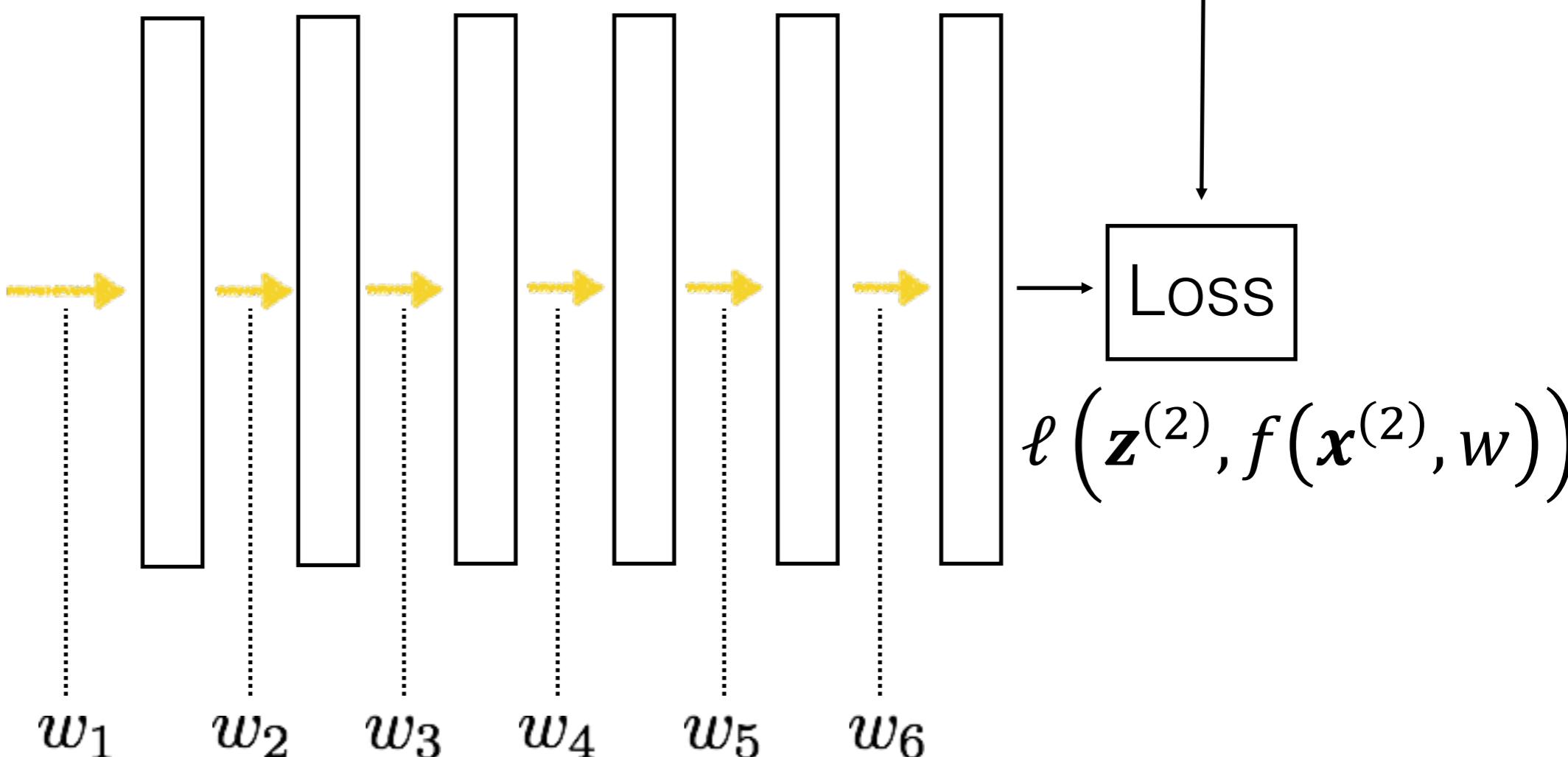
$\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \mathbf{z}^{(1)}$  is the input and label  
of the 1st training image

# Learning with deep nets

$\mathbf{z}^{(2)}$   
“grizzly bear” —

Learned

$\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$



$\mathbf{x}^{(2)}, \mathbf{z}^{(2)}$  is the input and label  
of the 2nd training image

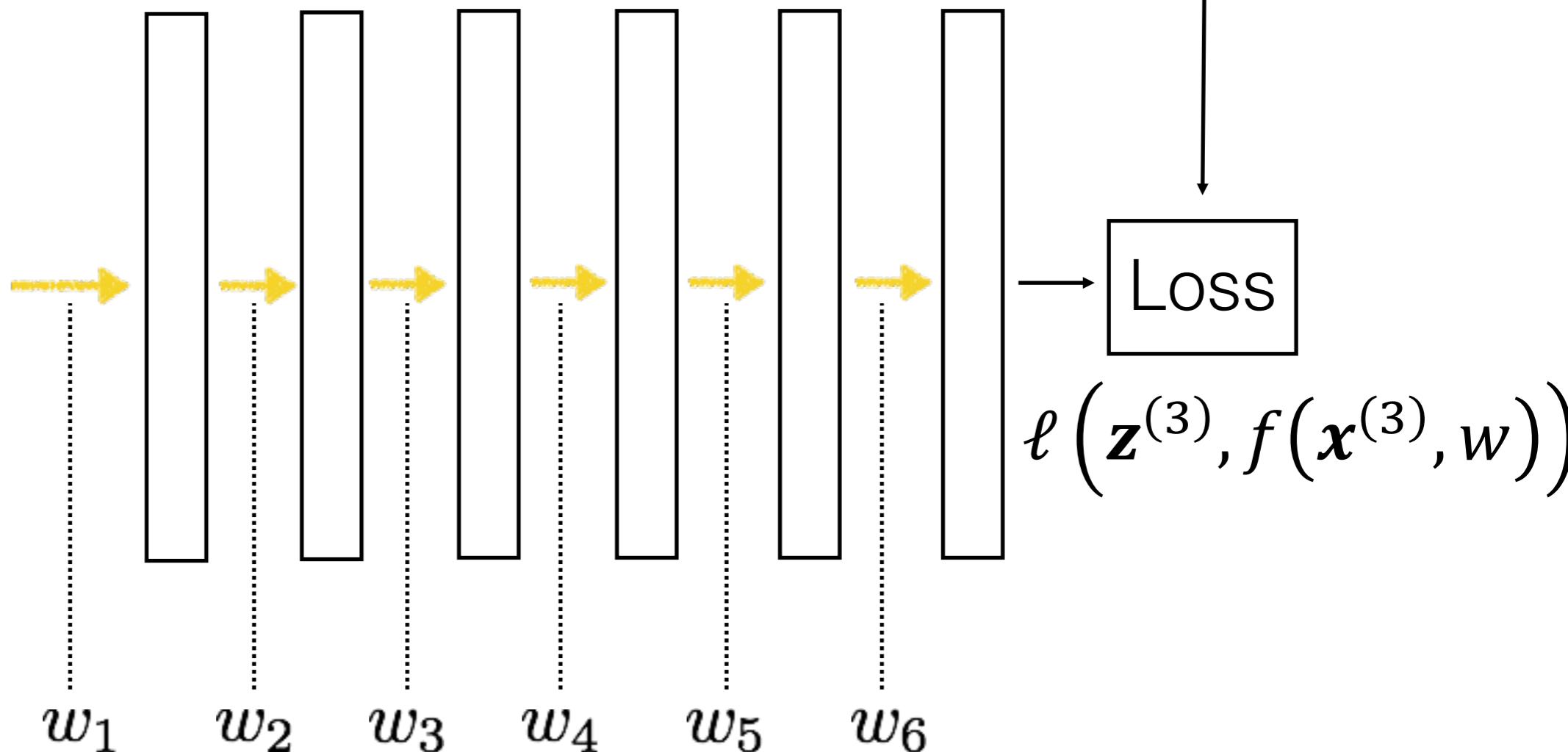
# Learning with deep nets

$\mathbf{z}^{(3)}$

“chameleon” —

Learned

$\mathbf{x}^{(3)}$



$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i \ell(\mathbf{z}^{(i)}, f(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \mathbf{w}))$$

# Gradient descent

$$\operatorname{argmin}_w \sum_i \ell(z^{(i)}, f(x^{(i)}, w)) = \operatorname{argmin}_w L(w)$$

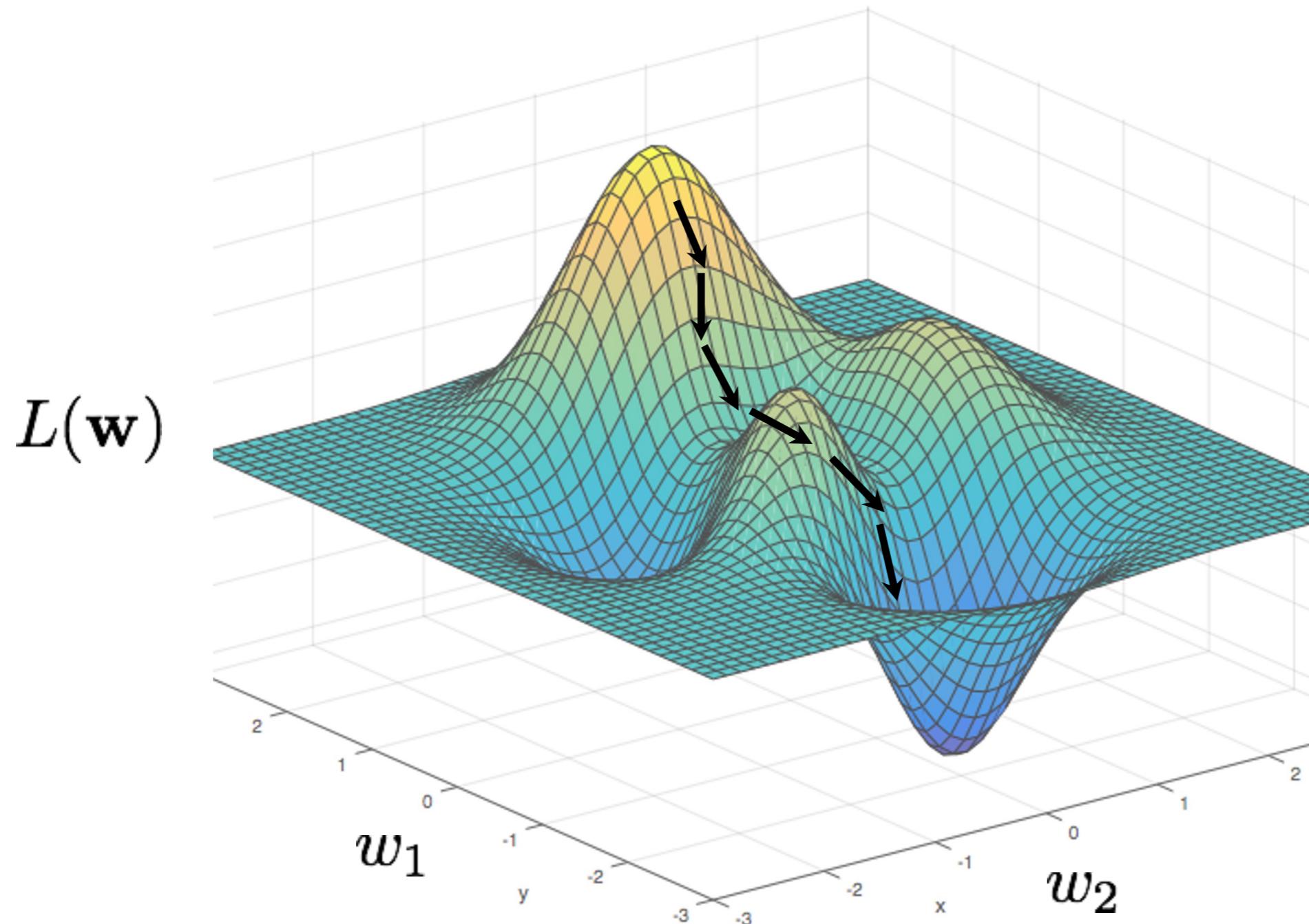
One iteration of gradient descent:

$$\mathbf{w}^{t+1} = \mathbf{w}^t - \eta_t \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{w}^t)}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$

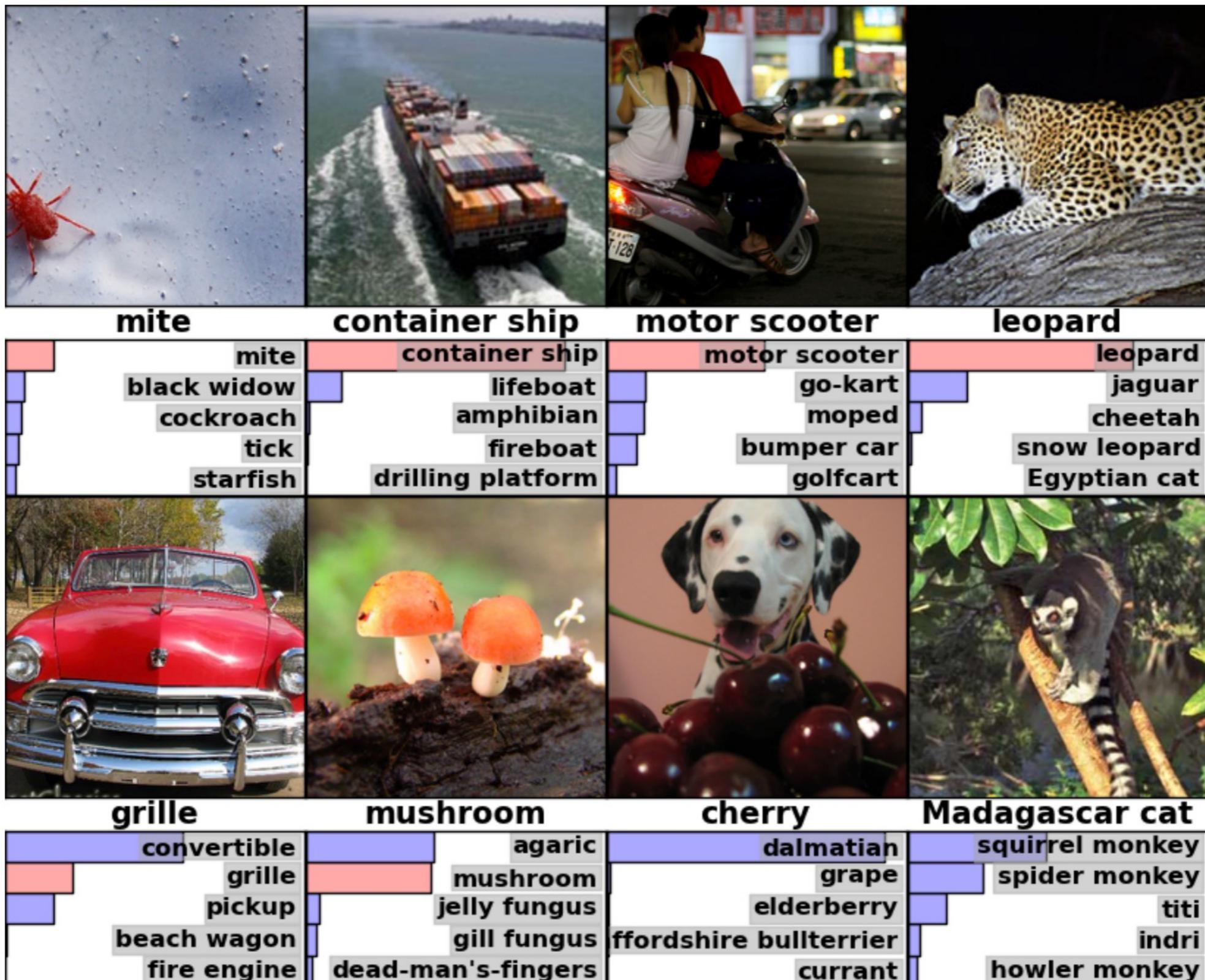


learning rate

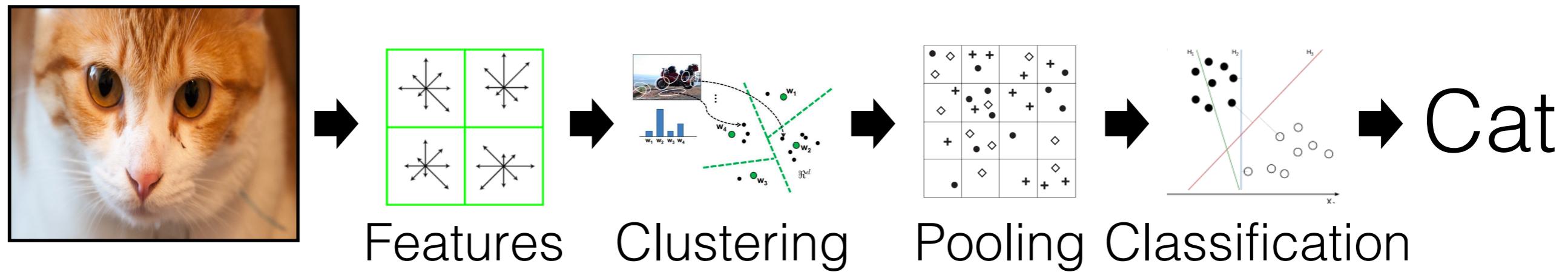
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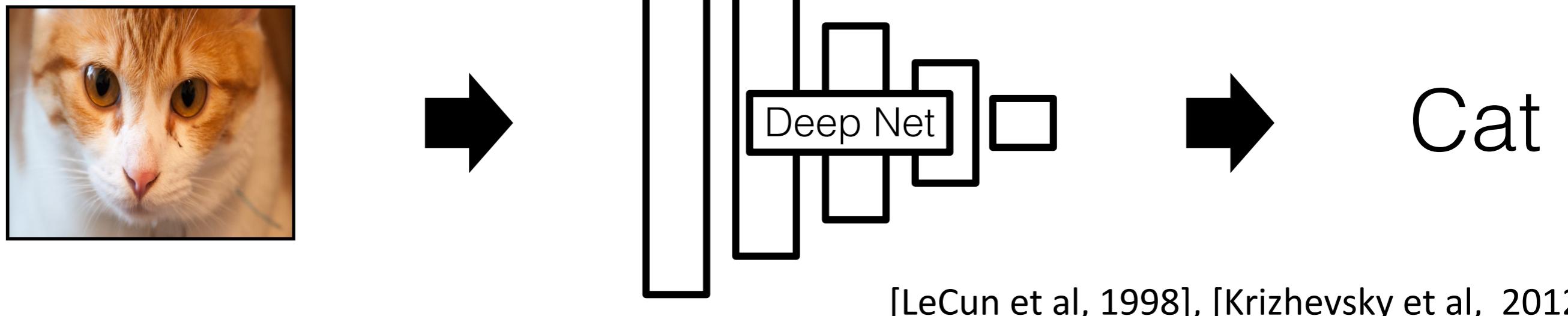
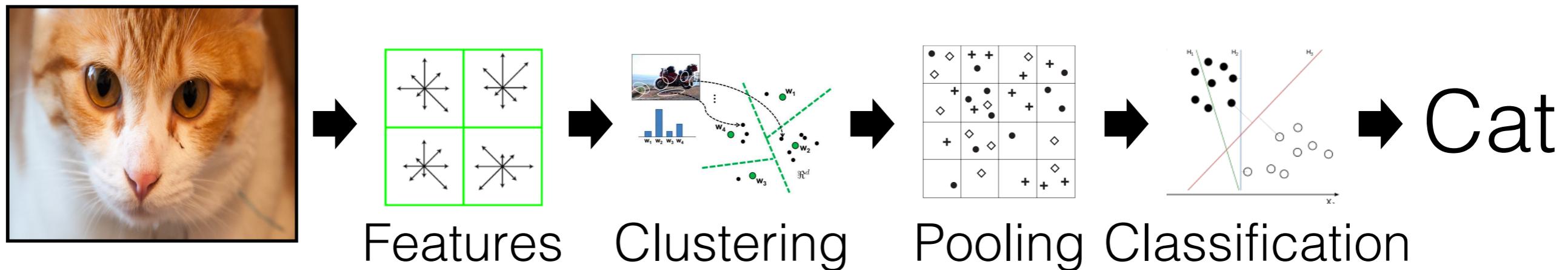
$$p(c|\mathbf{x})$$



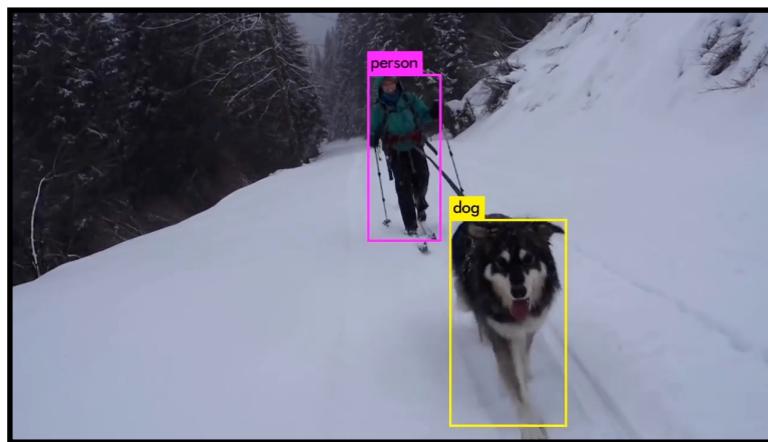
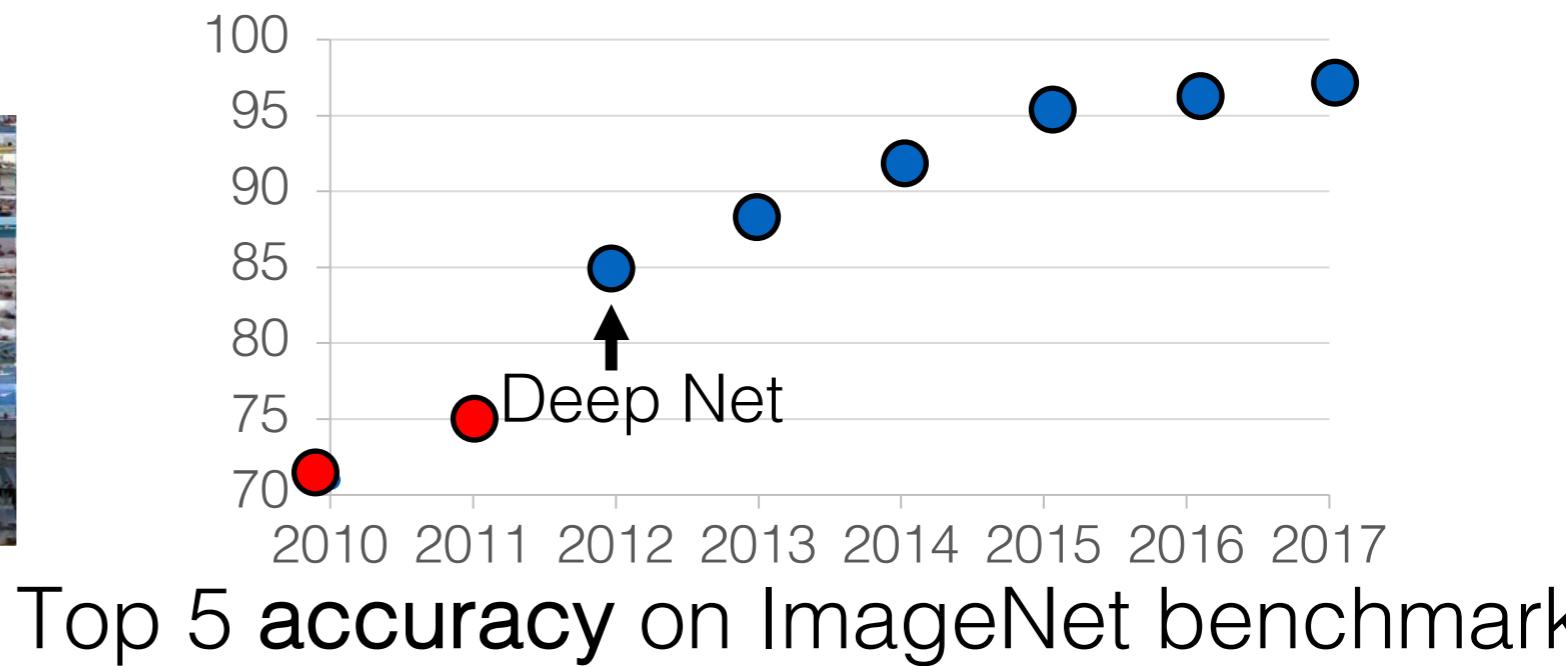
# Computer Vision before 2012



# Computer Vision Now

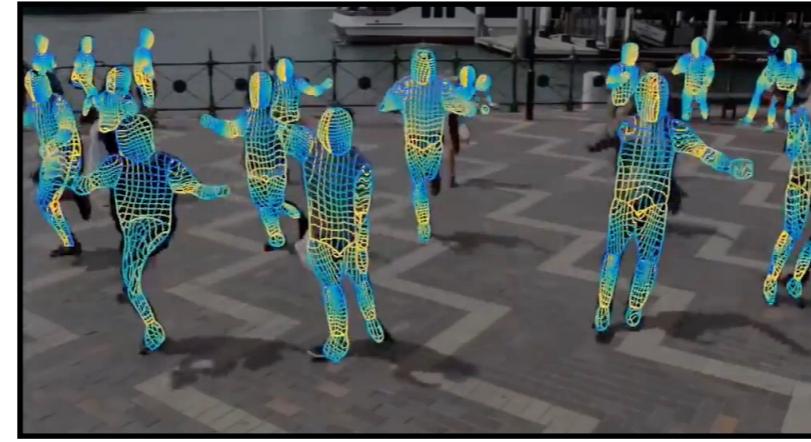


# Deep Learning for Computer Vision



[Redmon et al., 2018]

Object detection



[Güler et al., 2018]

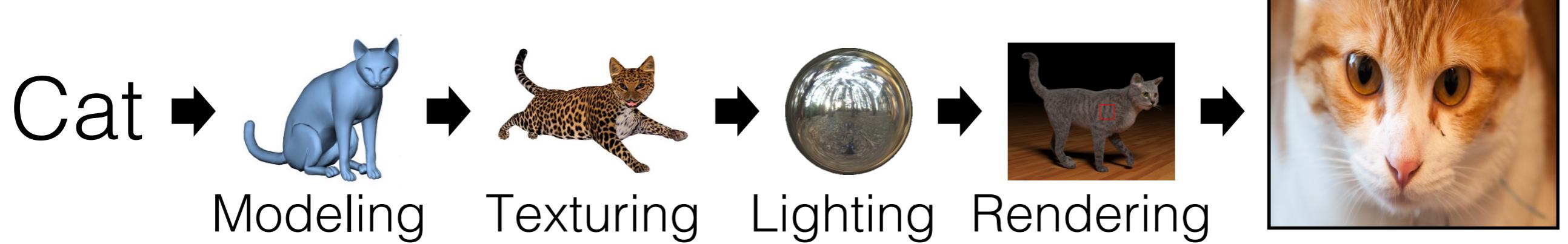
Human understanding



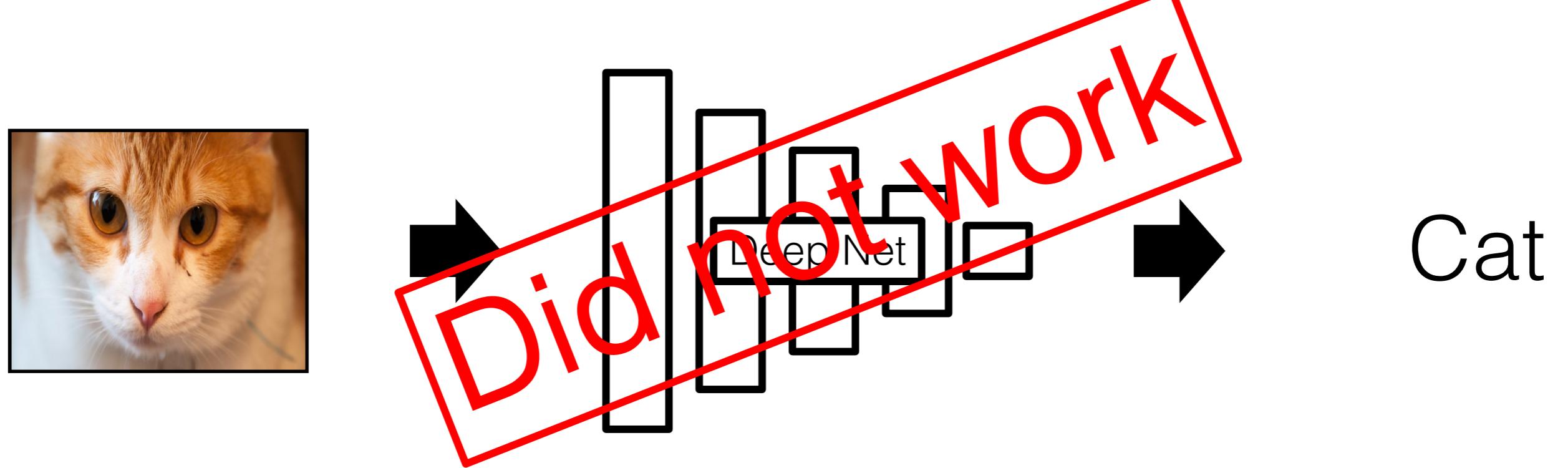
[Zhao et al., 2017]

Autonomous driving

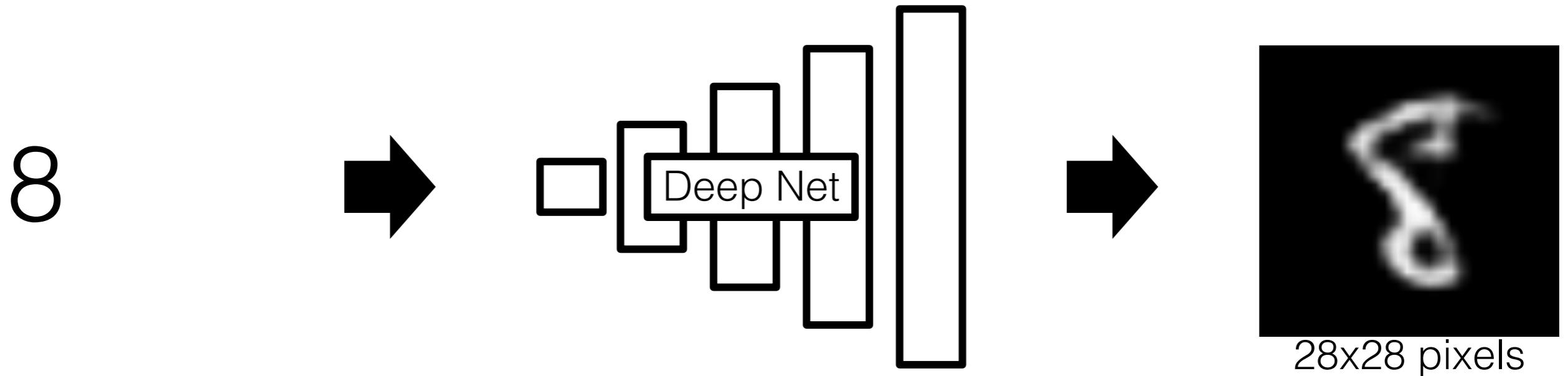
# Can Deep Learning Help Graphics?



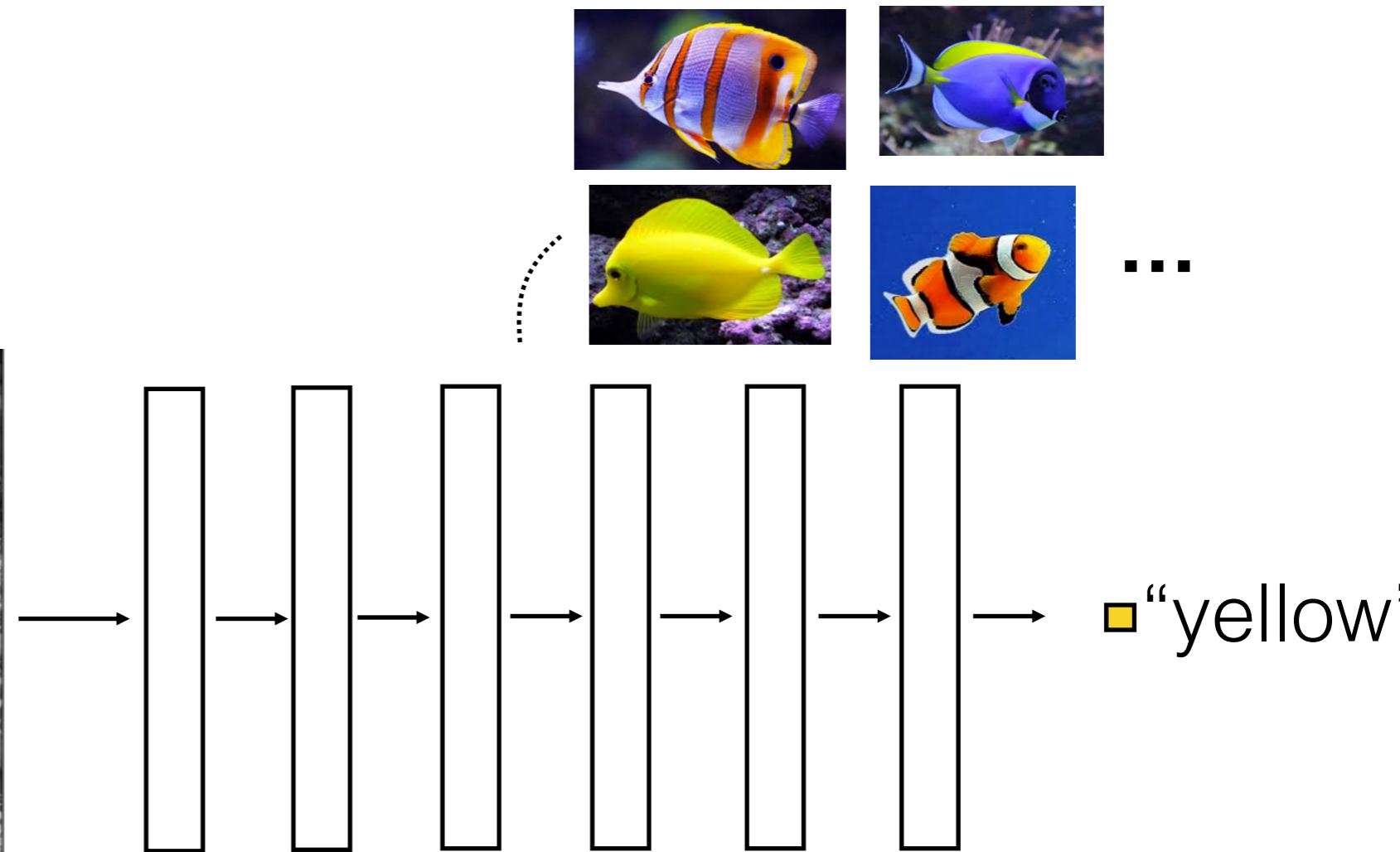
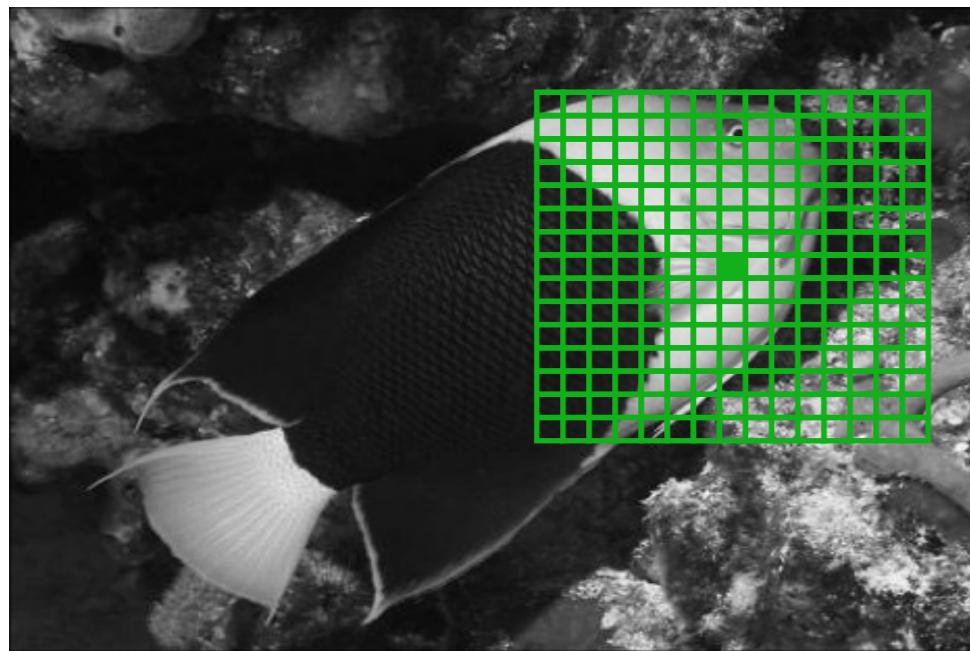
# Can Deep Learning Help Graphics?



# Generating images is hard!

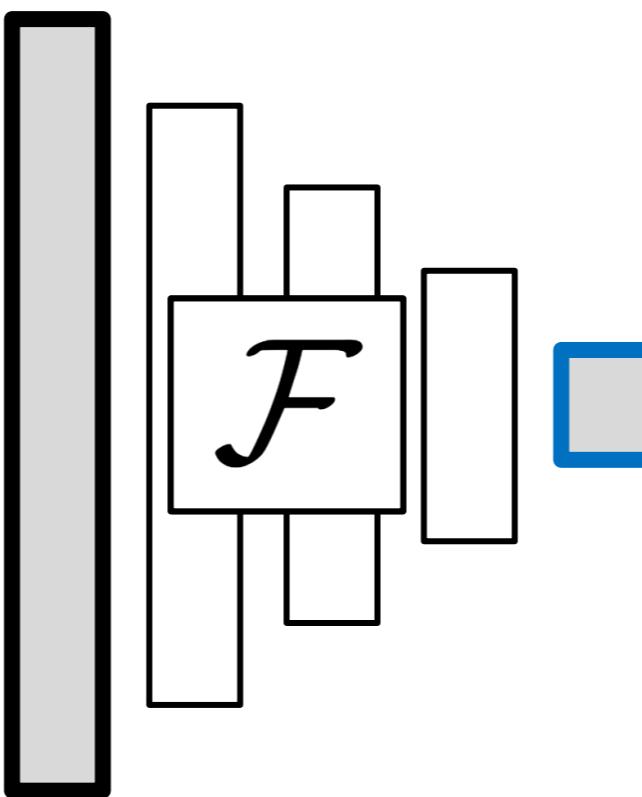


# from Classification to Generation

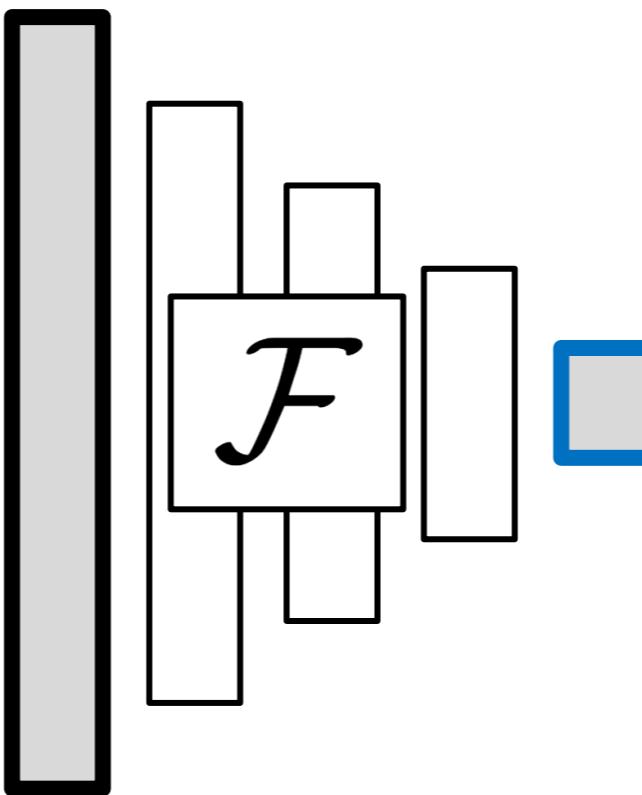


Predicting the color value of an output pixel given a patch <sup>53</sup>

# Discriminative Deep Networks

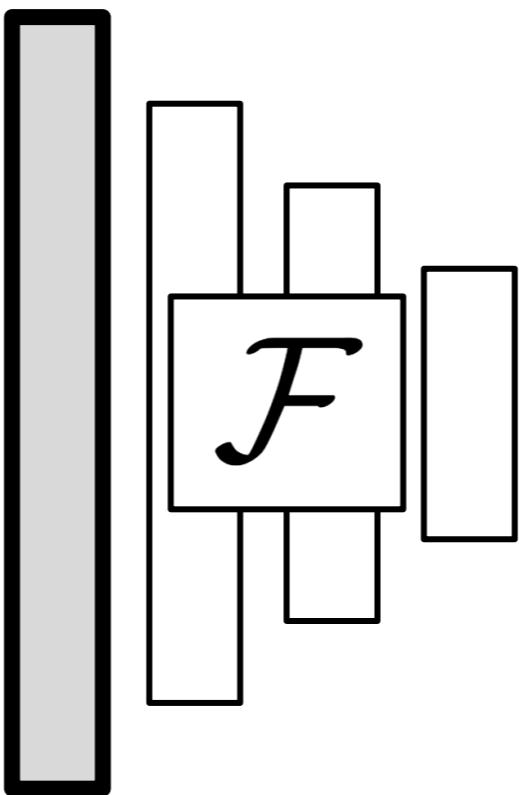
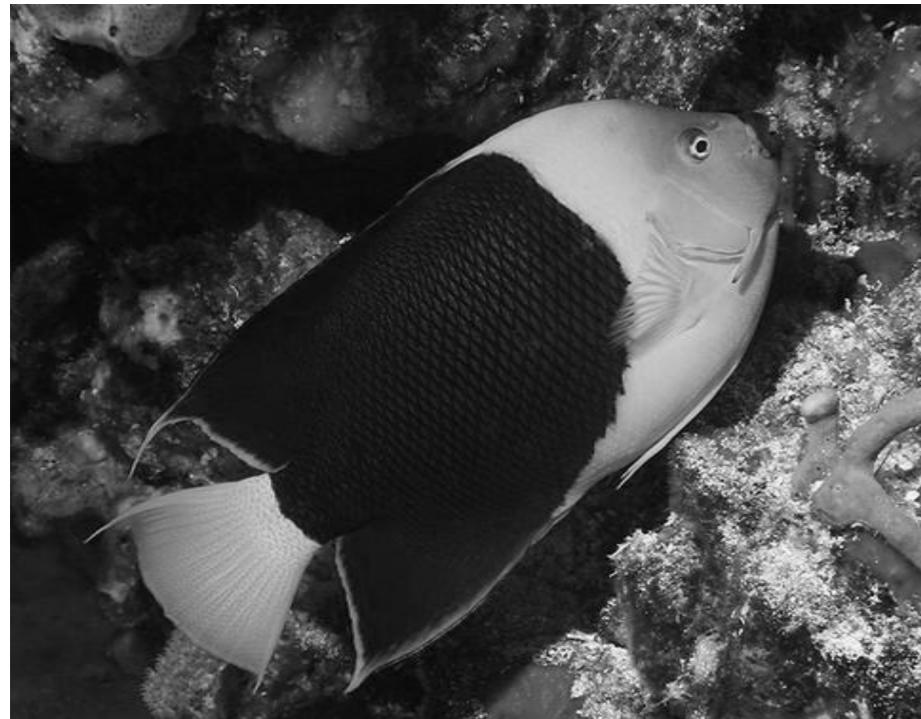


# Discriminative Deep Networks



Raw, Unlabeled  
Pixels

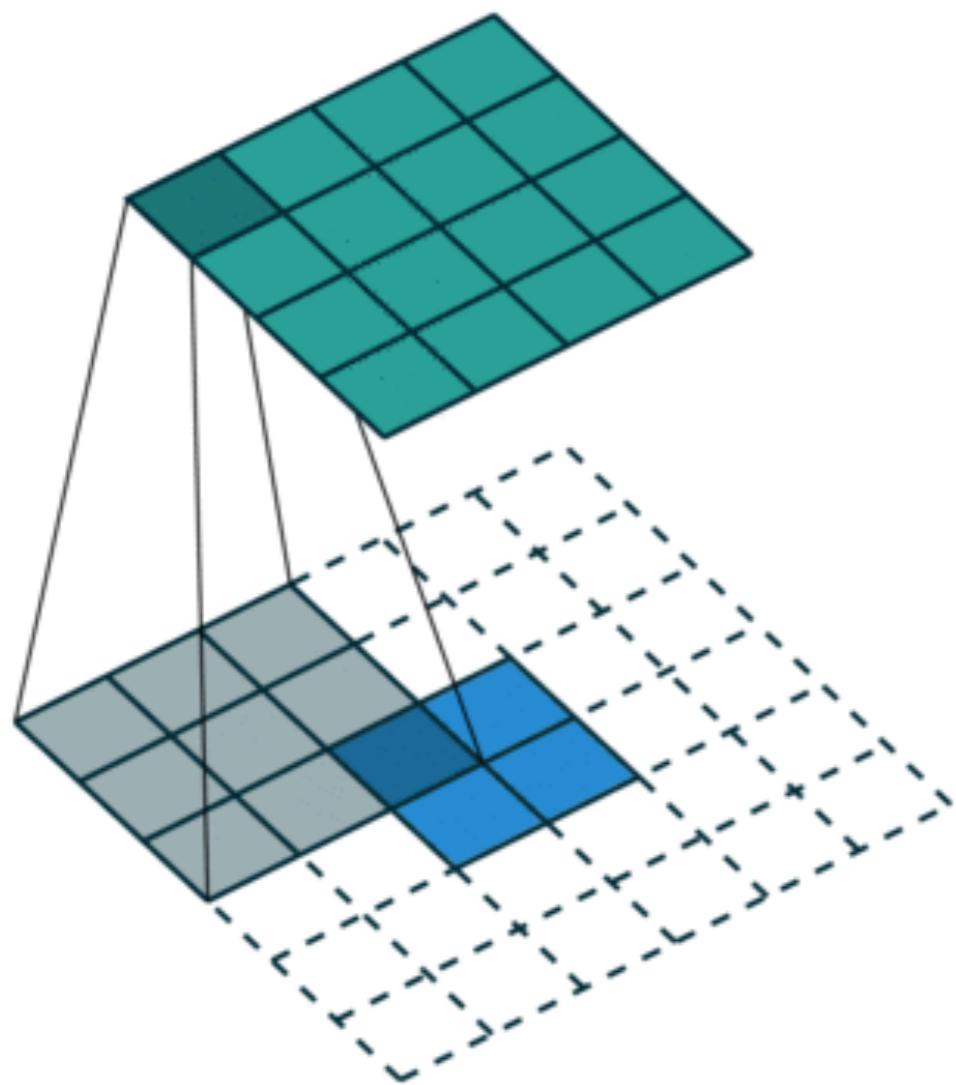
# Generative Deep Networks



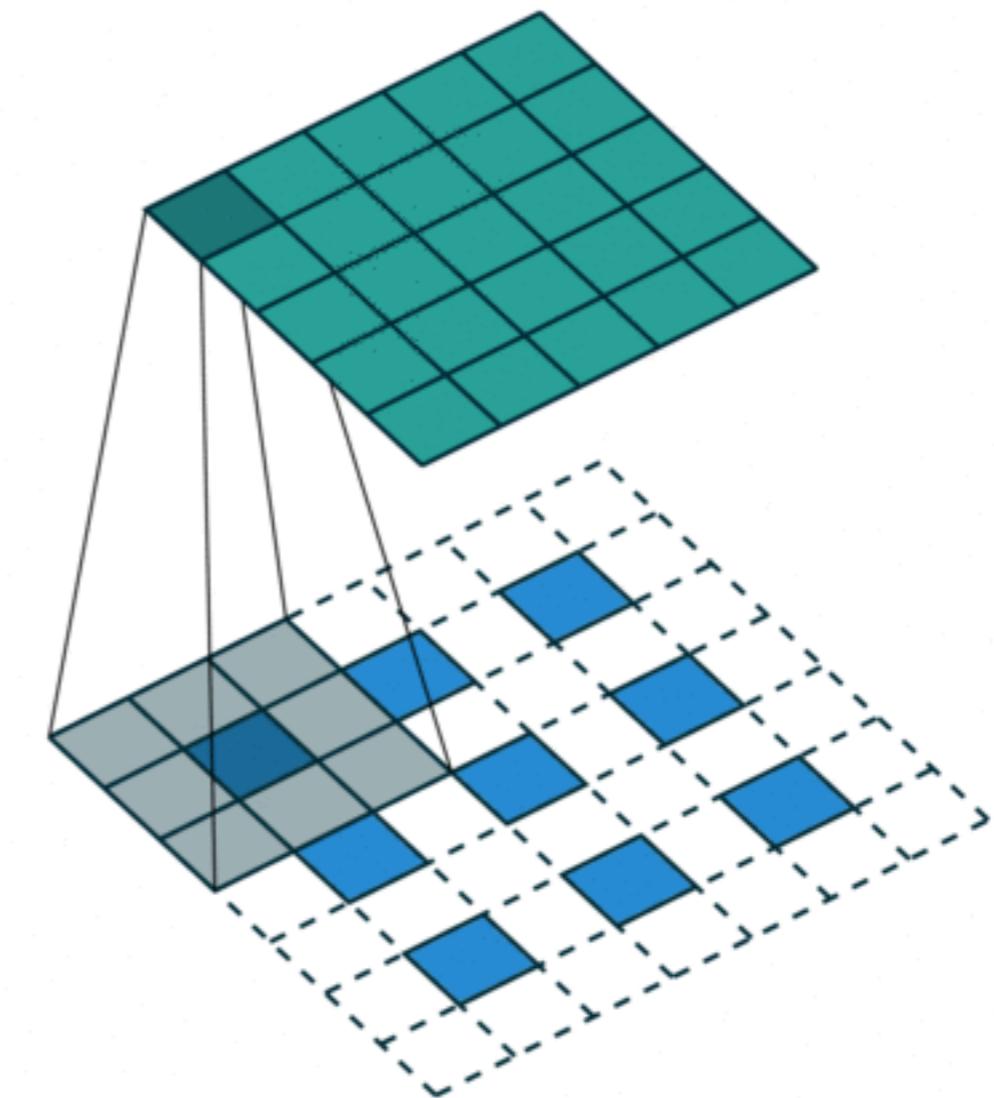
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# Better Architectures

# Fractionally-strided Convolution

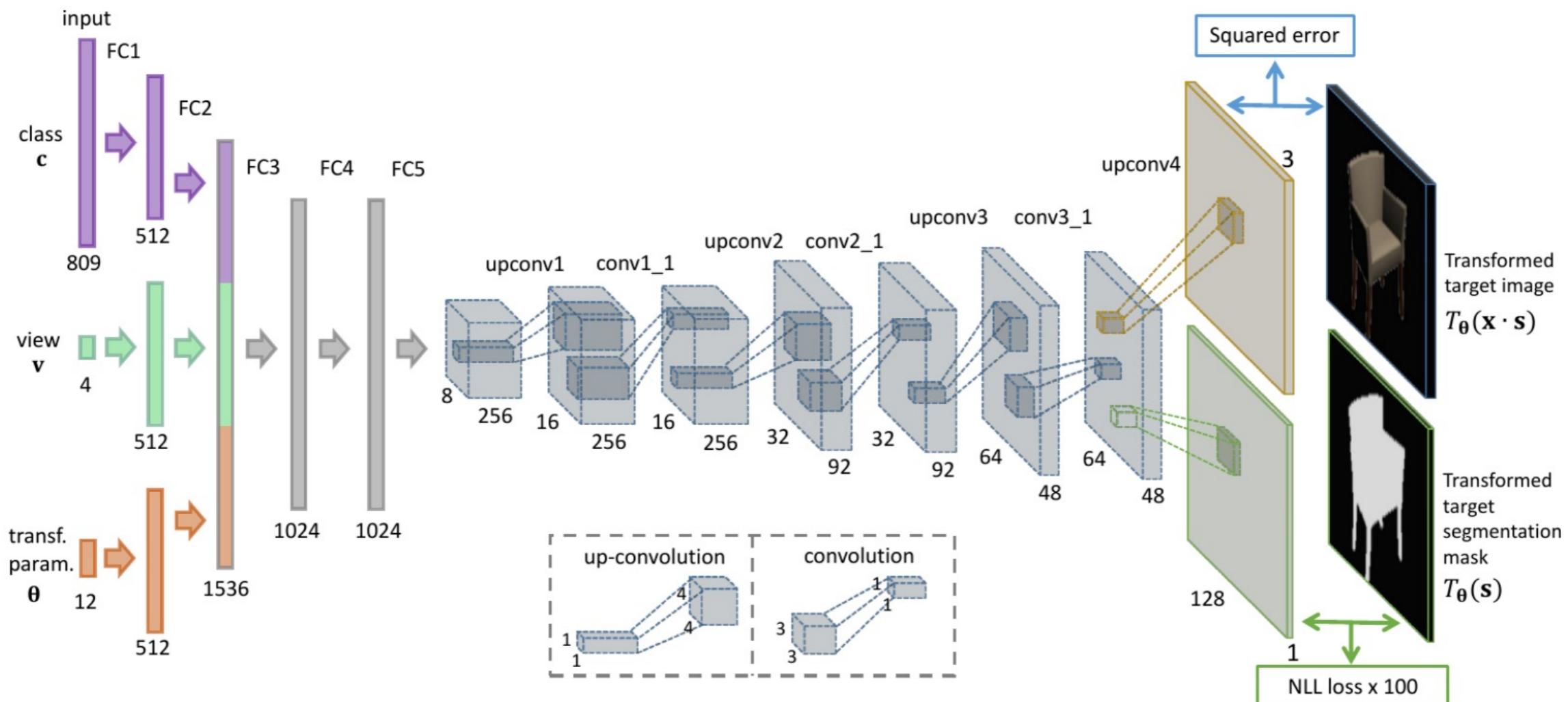


Regular conv



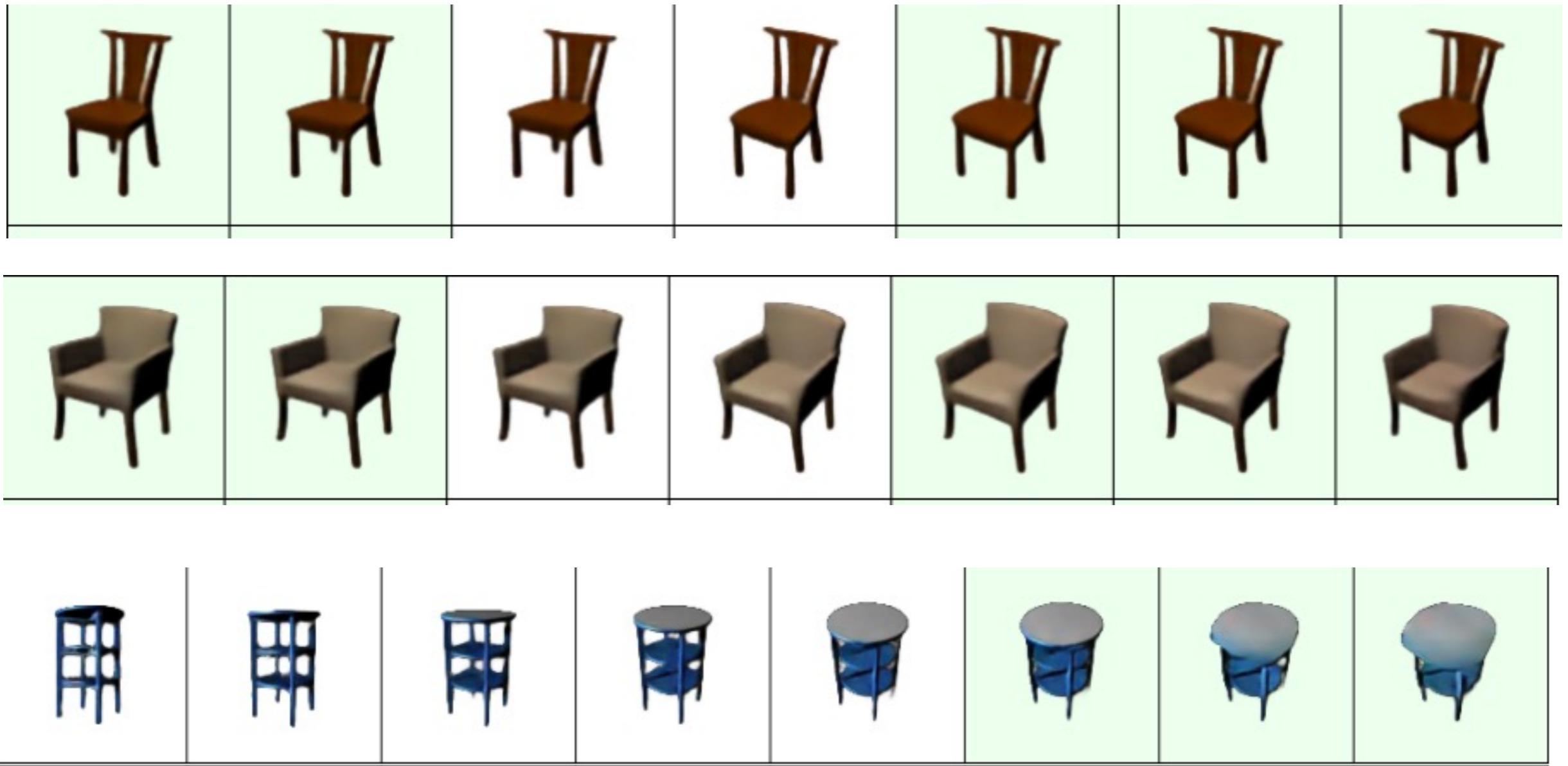
Fractionally-strided conv

# Generating chairs conditional on chair ID, viewpoint, and transformation parameters



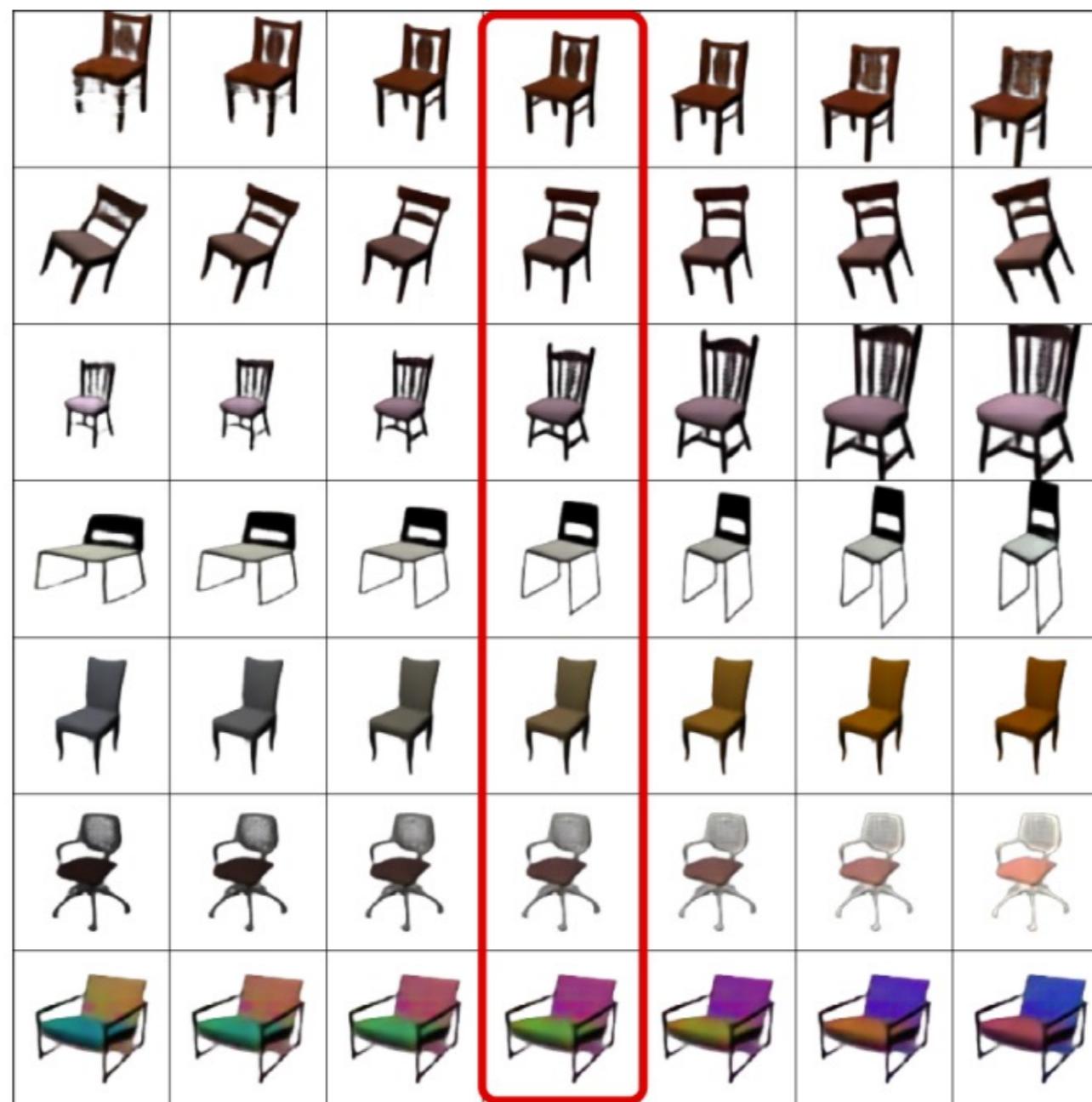
Dosovitskiy et al. Learning to Generate Chairs, Tables and Cars with Convolutional Networks  
PAMI 2017 (CVPR 2015)

# With Varying Viewpoints

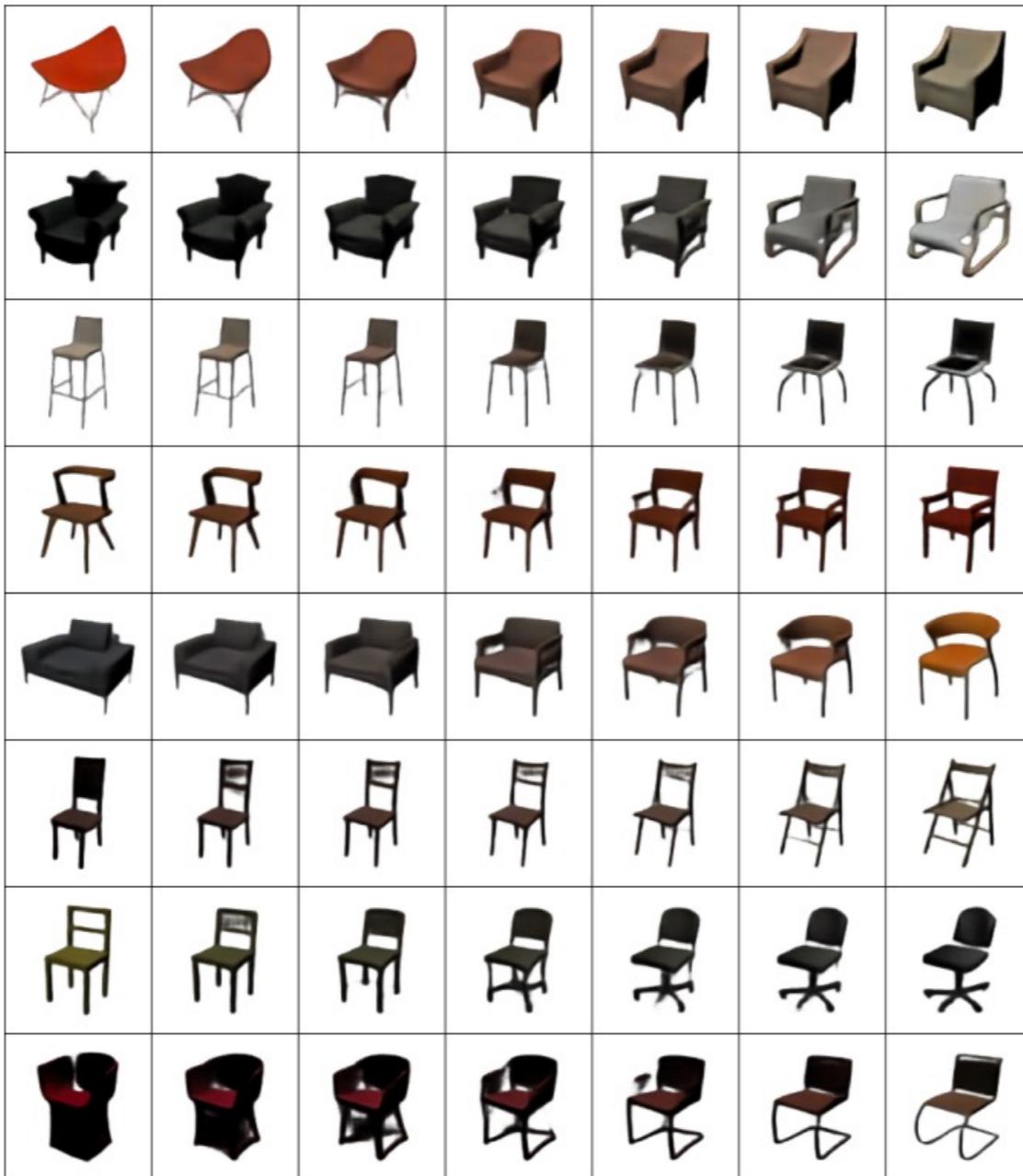


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# With Varying Transformation Parameters



# Interpolation between Two Chairs

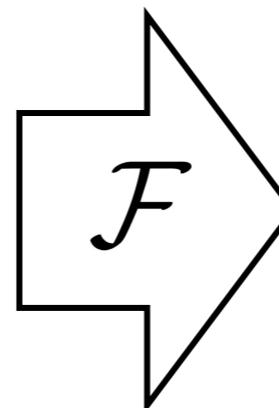
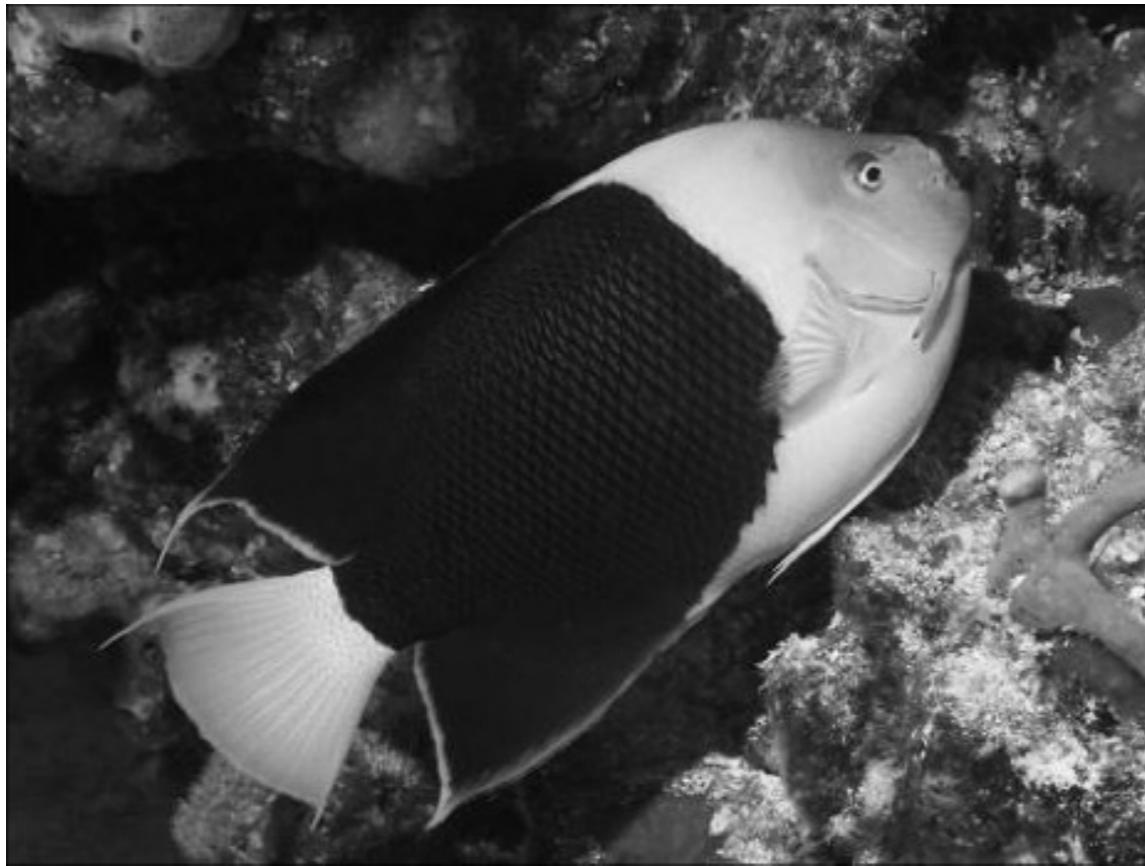


# Better Loss Functions



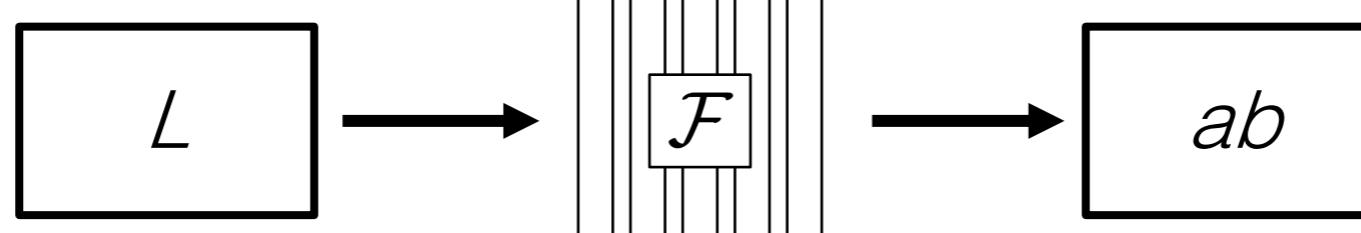
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Ansel Adams. *Yosemite Valley Bridge.*



Grayscale image:  $L$  channel

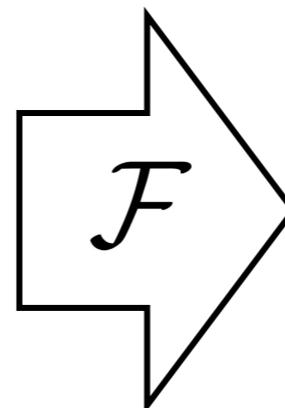
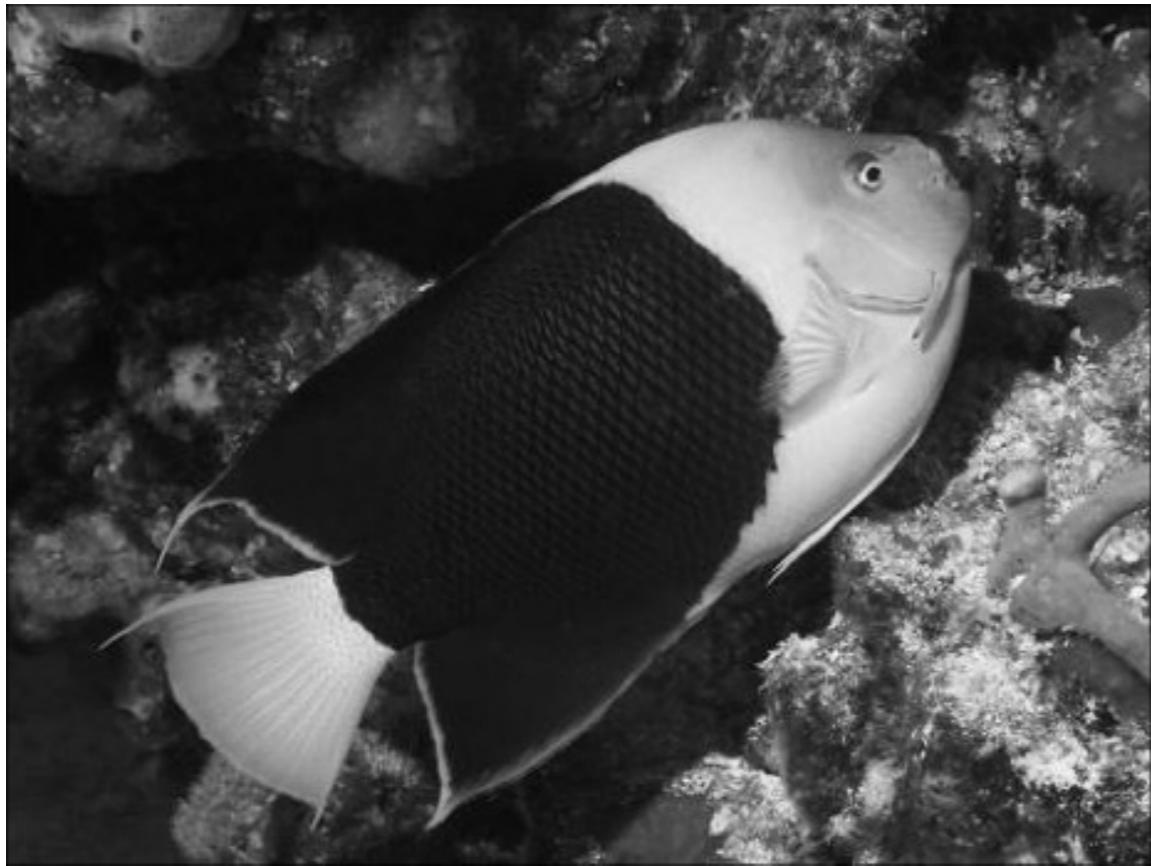
$$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times 1}$$



Color information:  $ab$  channels

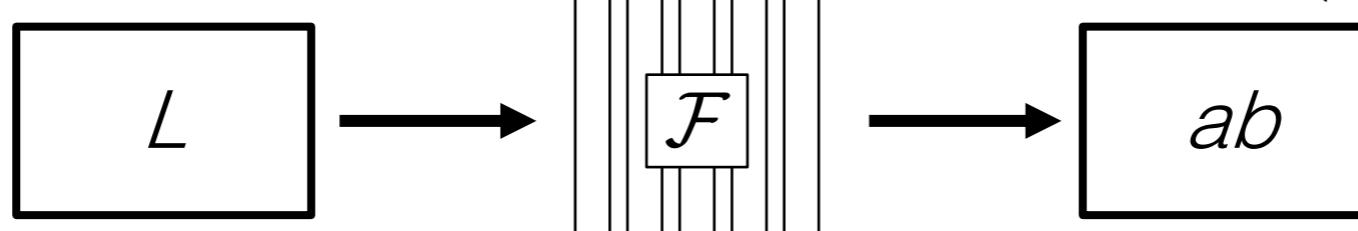
$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times 65^2}$$

Zhang, Isola, Efros. *Colorful Image Colorization*. In *ECCV*, 2016.



Grayscale image:  $L$  channel

$$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times 1}$$



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Concatenate  $(L, ab)$  channels

$$(\mathbf{X}, \hat{\mathbf{Y}})^{66}$$

$$ab$$

Simple L2 regression doesn't work ☹

Input



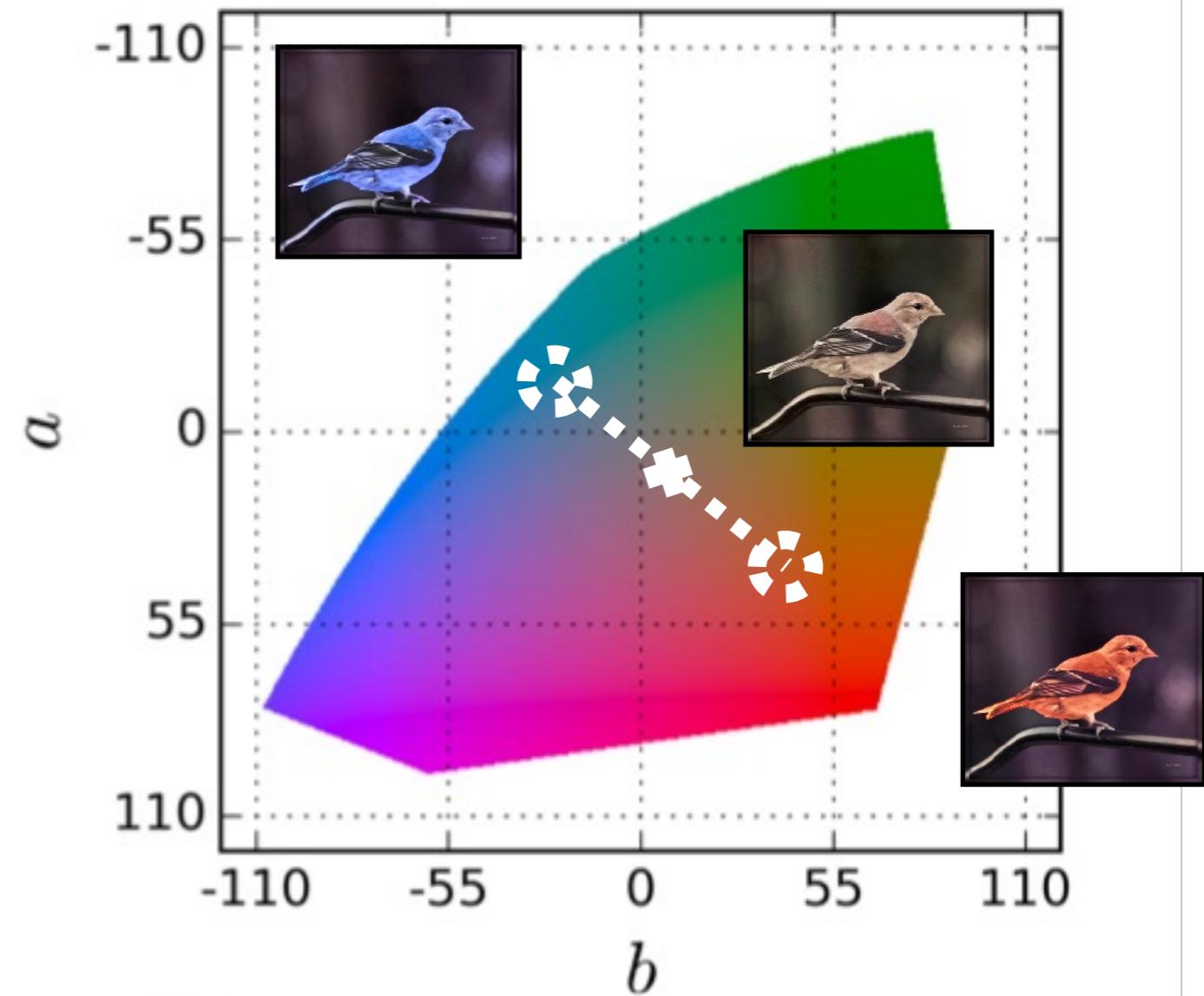
Output



Ground truth



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# Better Loss Function

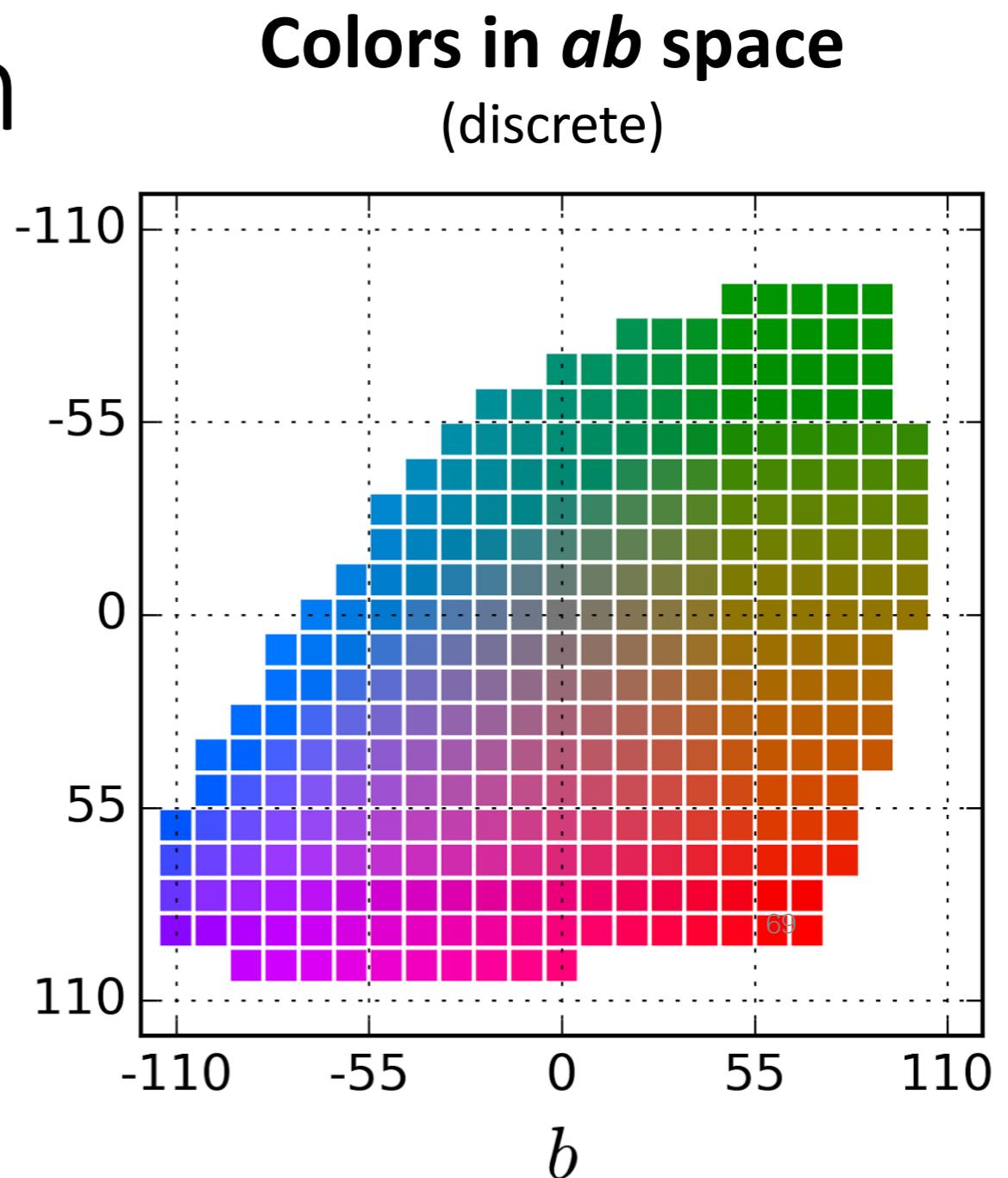
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- Regression with L2 loss inadequate

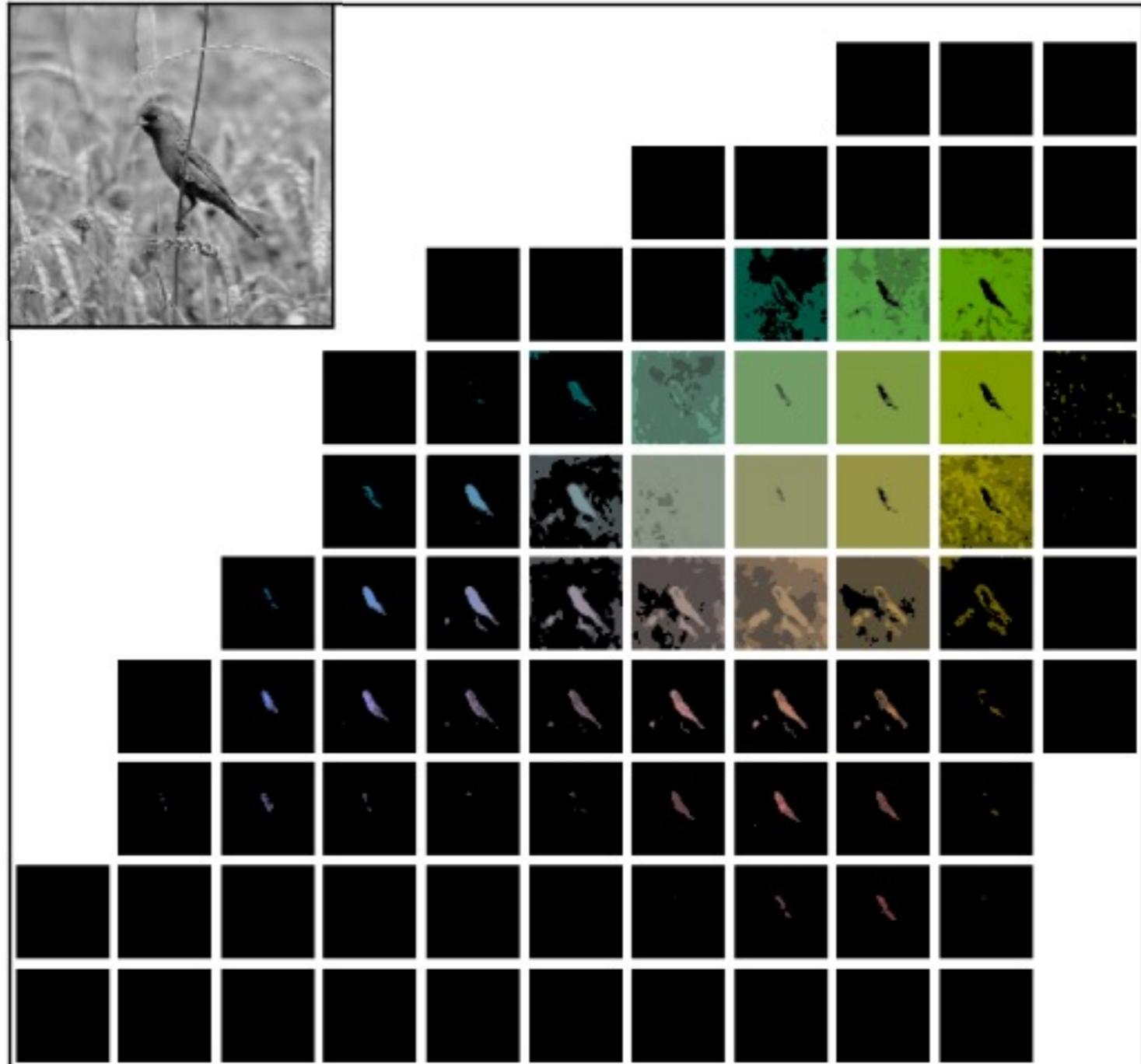
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- Use per-pixel multinomial classification

$$L(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}, \mathbf{Z}) = -\frac{1}{HW} \sum_{h,w} \sum_q \mathbf{Z}_{h,w,q} \log(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_{h,w,q})$$



*a*



*b*

# Designing loss functions

Input



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Ground truth



Color distribution cross-entropy loss with colorfulness enhancing term.

[Zhang, Isola, Efros, ECCV 2016]

# Thank You!



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