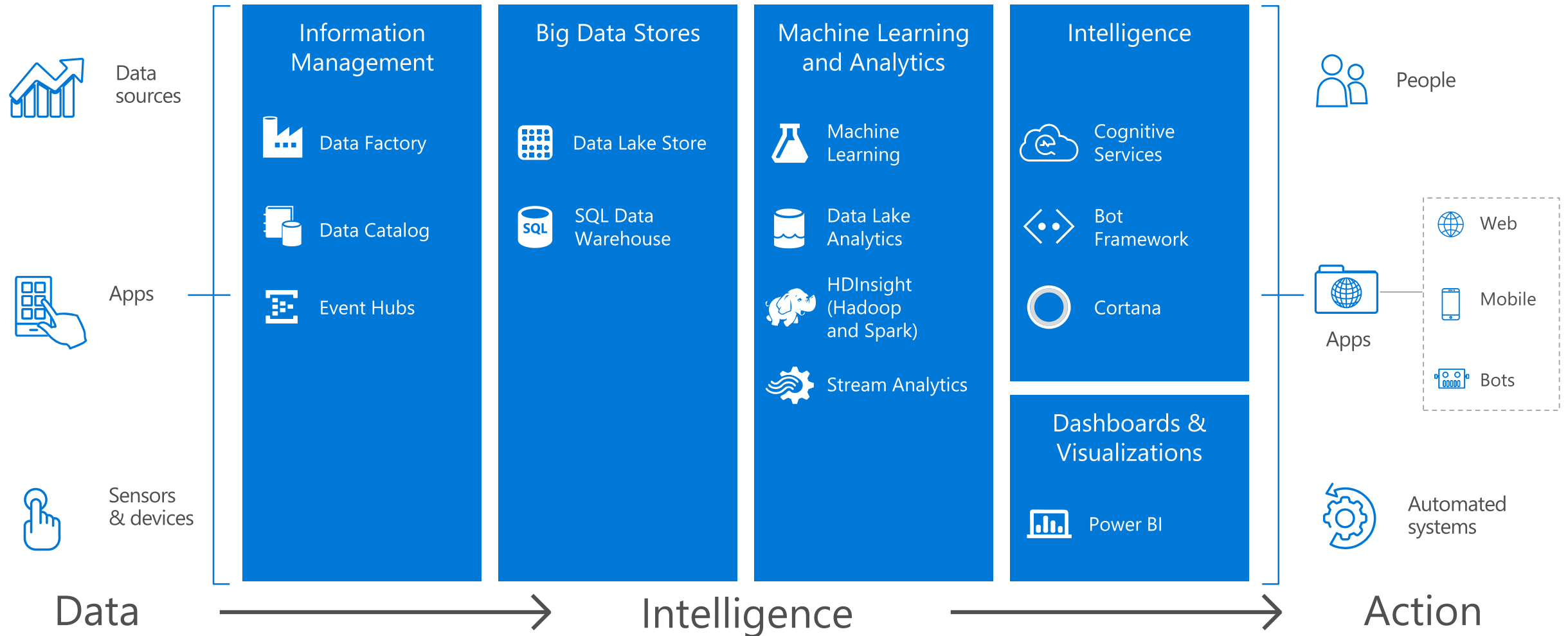


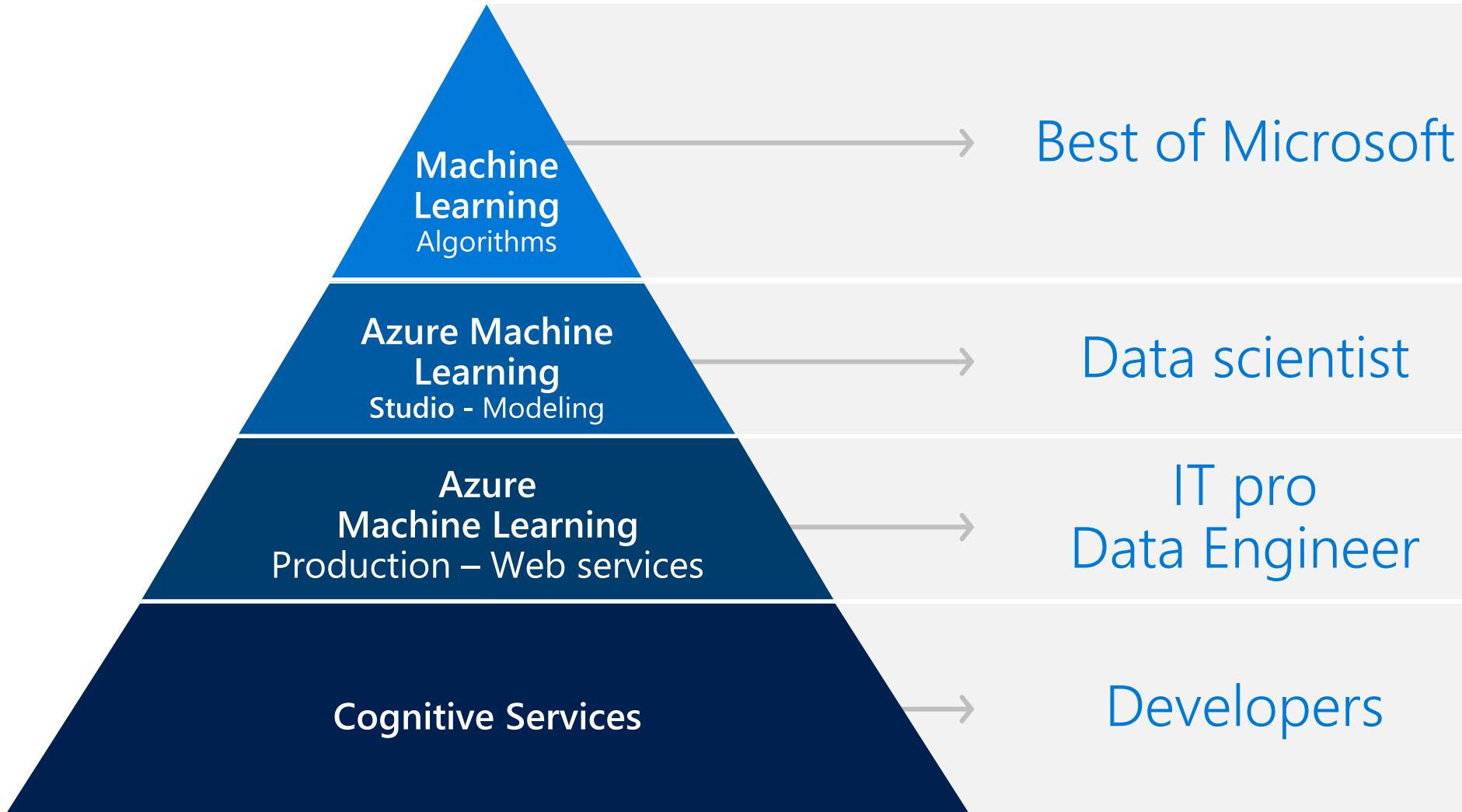
Azure Machine Learning

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Machine Learning services in the cloud



Infinite world of scalable machine learning

Traditional algorithms	logistic regression, linear models, basic statistics, hypothesis testing, k-means, decision trees
Specialized algorithms	page rank, collaborative filtering, graph processing, SVD, PCA, Bayesian models, ...
Deep learning algorithms	deep learning over various types of networks

Use cases of scalable machine learning

Traditional algorithms	Retail	Financial services	Healthcare	Manufacturing
	loyalty programs customer acquisition pricing strategy supply chain mgnt	customer churn fraud detection risk & compliance cross- sell & upsell personalization	bill collection operational efficiency patient demographics pay for performance	demand forecasting pricing strategy supply chain optimization predictive maintenance remote monitoring
		product recommendations intelligent search routing robotics	ad placement predictive maintenance	
		image, video recognition sentiment analysis text comprehension natural language processing	robotics bots augmented reality predictive maintenance	
Specialized algorithms				
Deep learning algorithms				

Capture

Curate

Consume

Data Sources

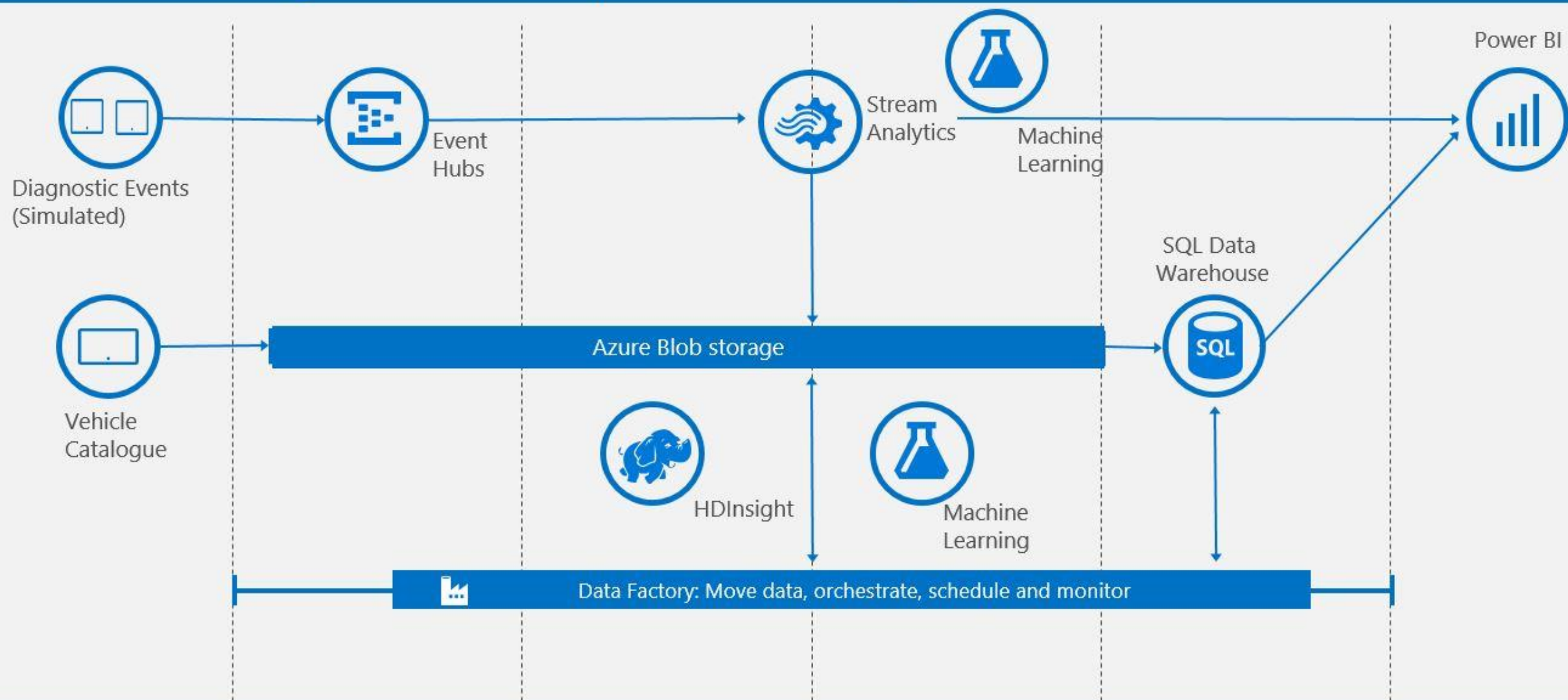
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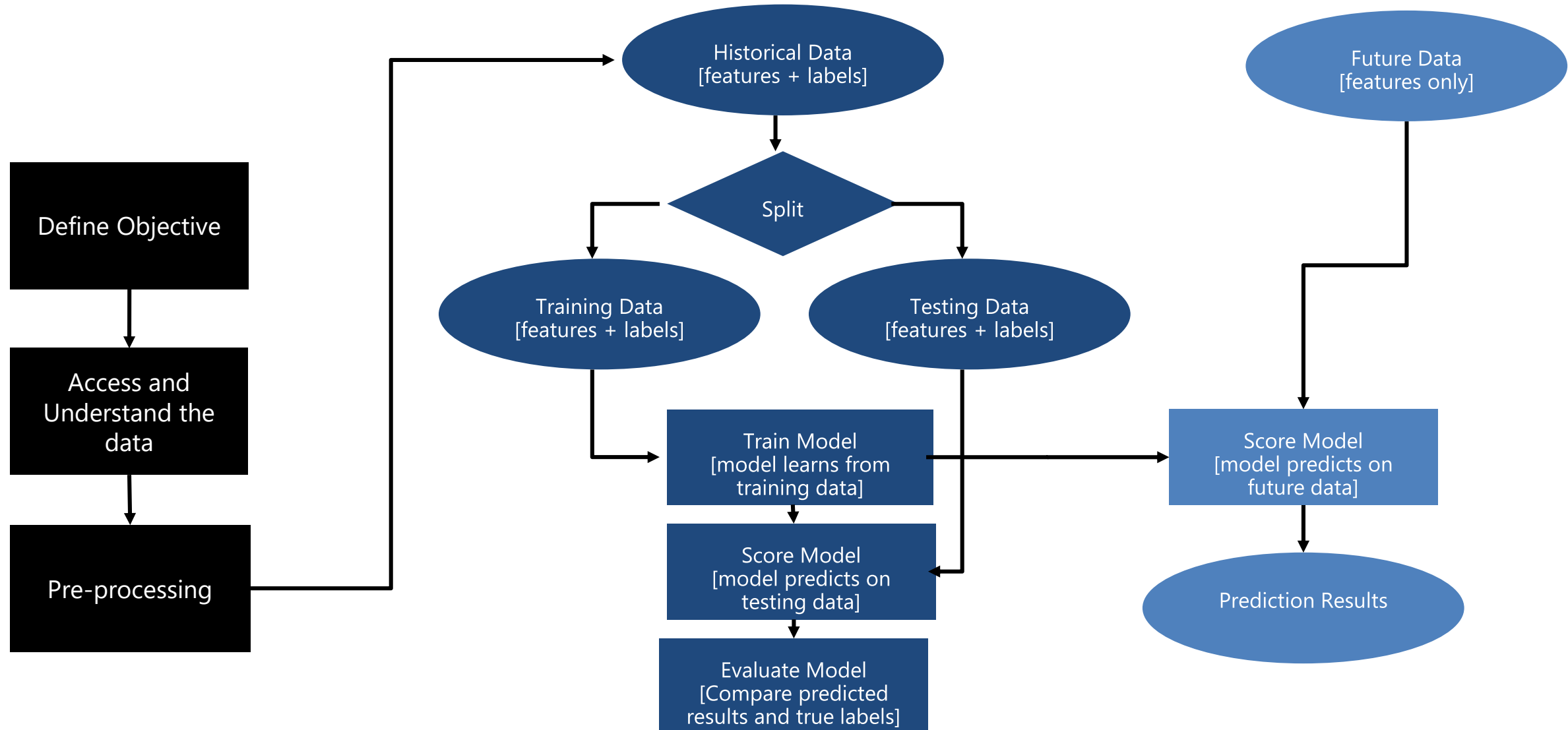
► Analyze

► Publish

► Visualize



Data Science Process



Deep learning at Microsoft

- Microsoft Cognitive Services
- Skype Translator
- Cortana
- Bing
- Bing Ads
- Augmented Reality
- Microsoft Research



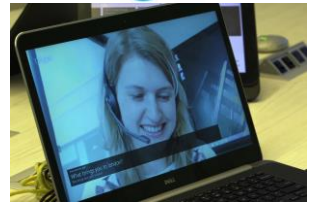
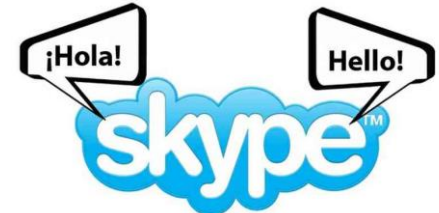
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Bing ads



XBOX



The Microsoft Cognitive Toolkit (CNTK)

- CNTK is Microsoft's **open-source, cross-platform** toolkit for learning and evaluating **deep neural networks**
- CNTK expresses (nearly) **arbitrary neural networks** by composing simple building blocks into complex **computational networks**, supporting relevant network types and applications.
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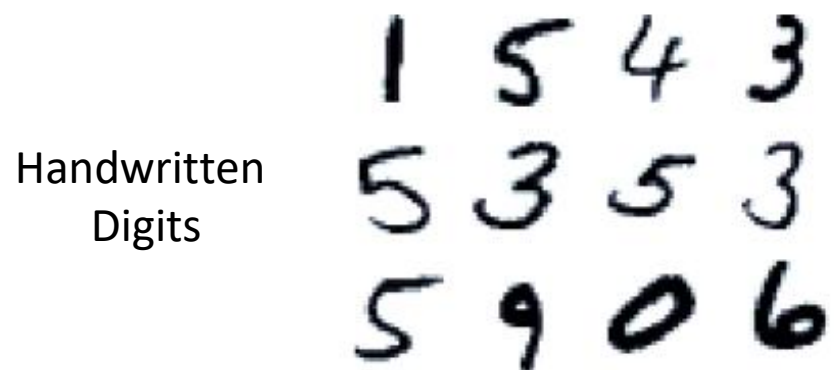
Benchmarking on a single server by HKBU

seconds per minibatch on G1080 (**G980**) GPU; lower=better

	FCN-8	AlexNet		ResNet-50		LSTM-64
CNTK	0.037	0.040	(0.054)	0.207	(0.245)	0.122
Caffe	0.038	0.026	(0.033)	0.307	(-)	-
TensorFlow	0.063	-	(0.058)	-	(0.346)	0.144
Torch	0.048	0.033	(0.038)	0.188	(0.215)	0.194

[“Benchmarking State-of-the-Art Deep Learning Software Tools,” <http://arxiv.org/pdf/1608.07249v5.pdf>]

MNIST Handwritten Digits (OCR)

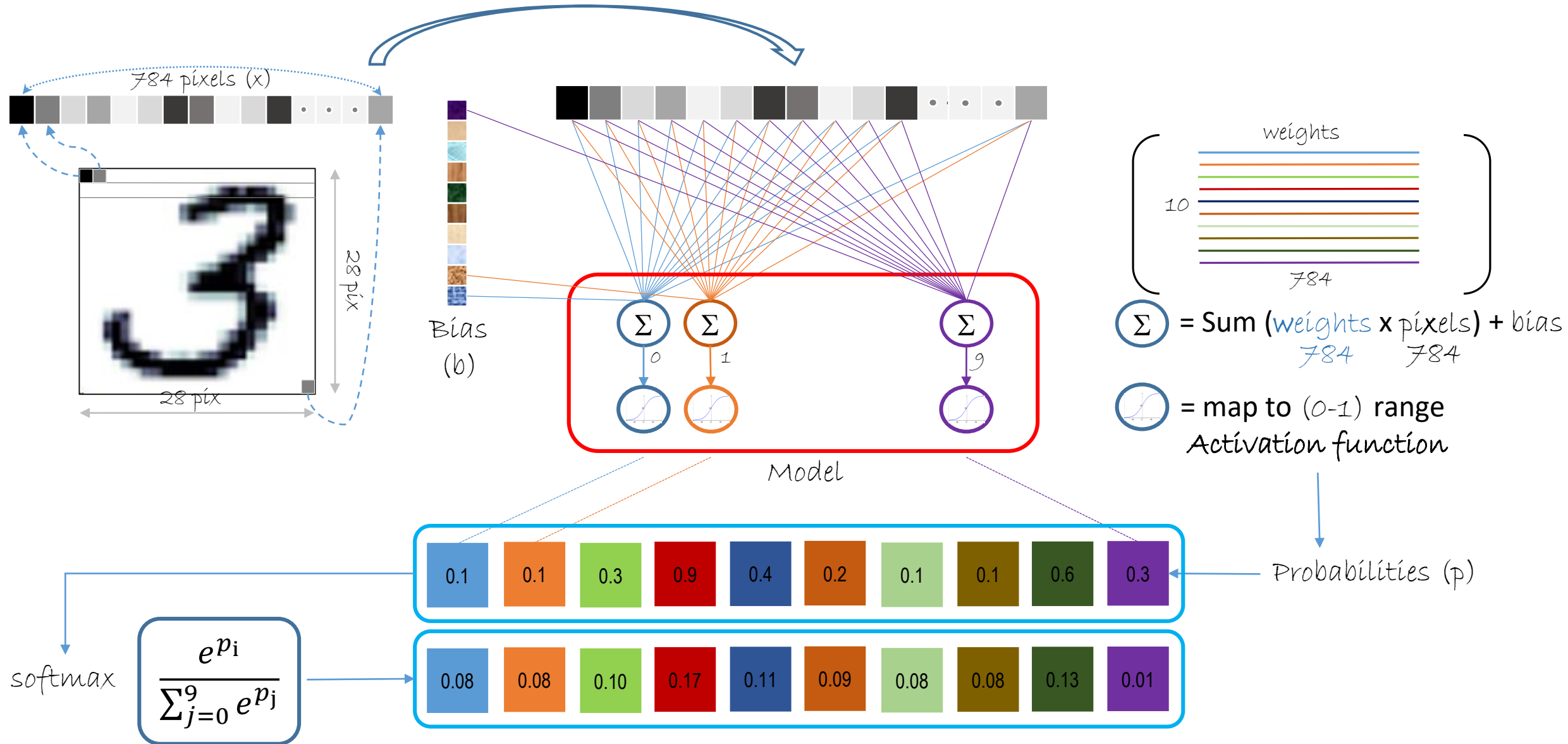


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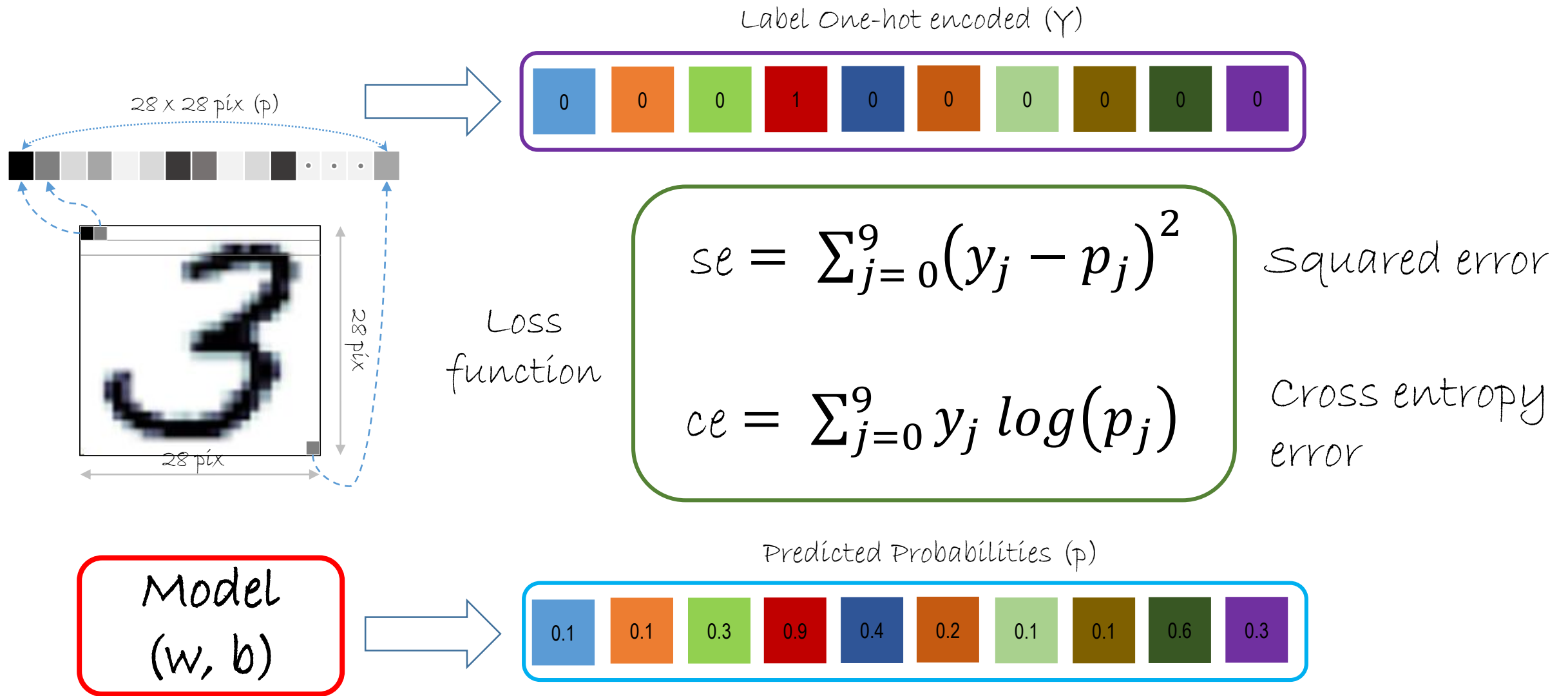
Corresponding Labels

- Data set of hand written digits with
 - ✓ 60,000 training images
 - ✓ 10,000 test images
- Each image is: 28 x 28 pixels
- Performance with different classifiers (error rate):
 - ✓ Neural nets (2-layers): 1.6 %
 - ✓ Deep nets (6-layers): 0.35 %
 - ✓ Conv nets (different): 0.21% - 0.31%

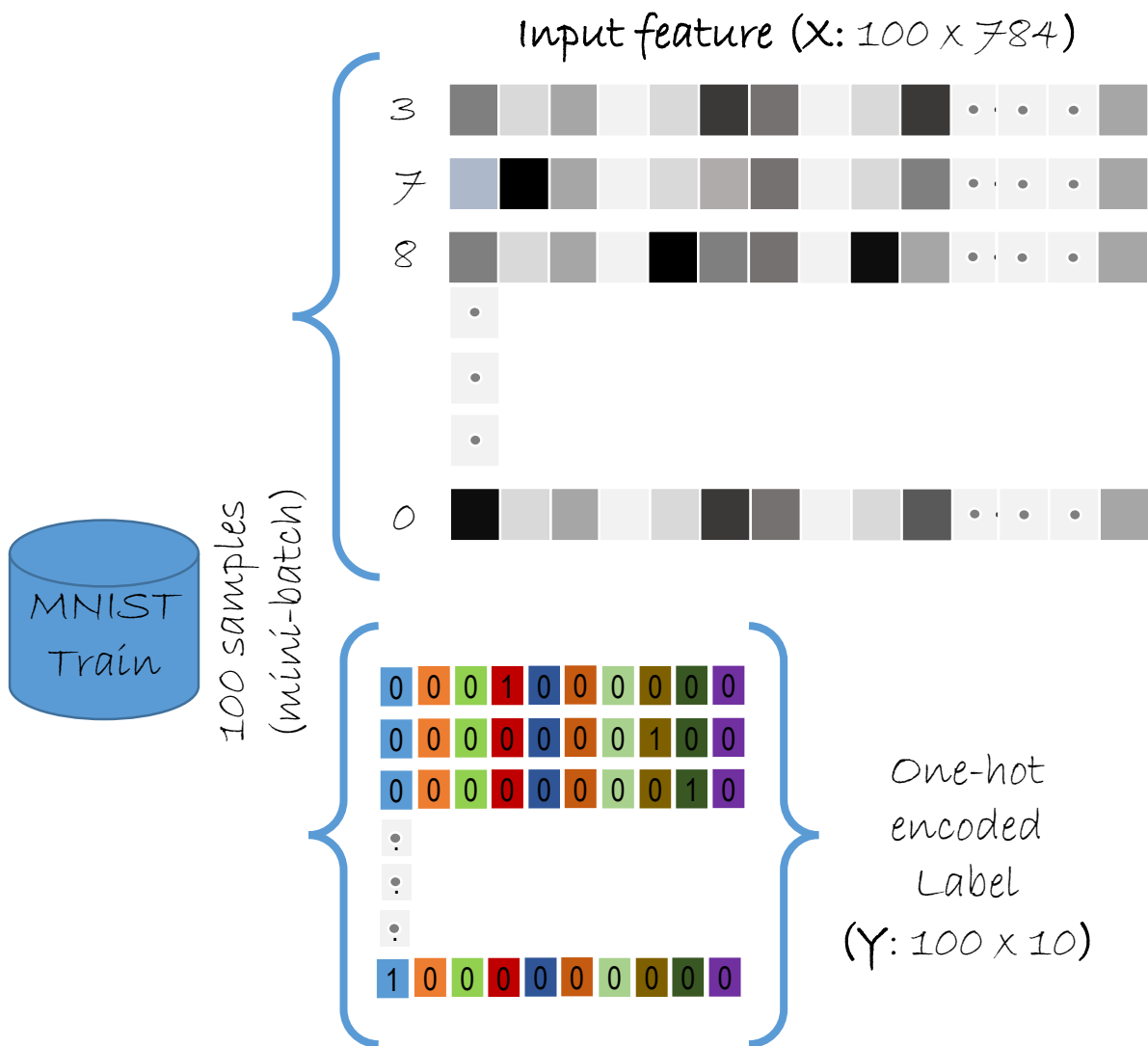
Logistic Regression



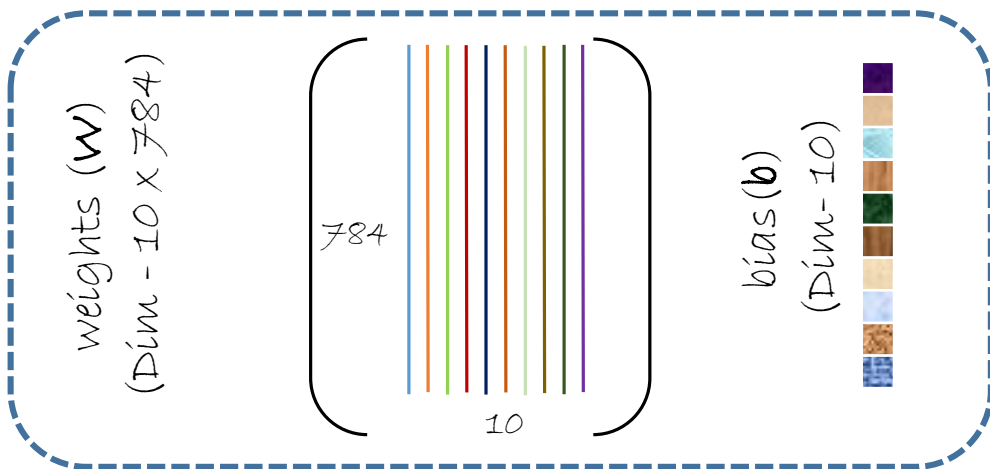
Error or Loss Function



Workflow



Model



$$\Sigma = \text{Sum}(X \cdot W) + b$$

$$z = \text{times}(X, W) + b$$

$$\text{out} = \text{sigmoid}(z)$$



Loss

$\text{cross_entropy}(\text{softmax}(\text{out}))$

$\text{cross_entropy_with_softmax}(\text{out}, Y)$

`Trainer(model, loss, learner)`

`Trainer.train_minibatch({X, Y})`

Learner

sgd, adagrad etc, are solvers to estimate - $W \ \& \ b$

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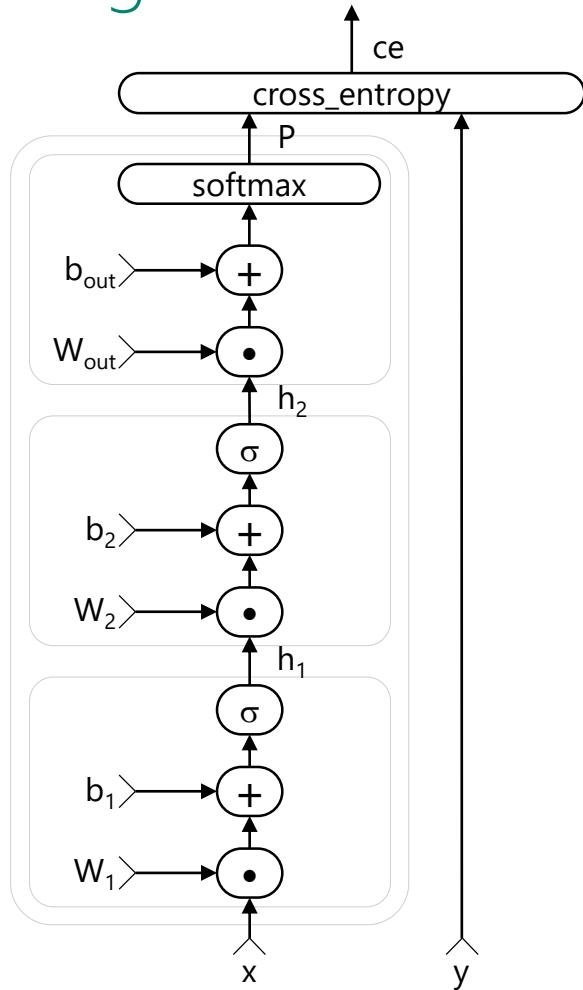
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Network / Model

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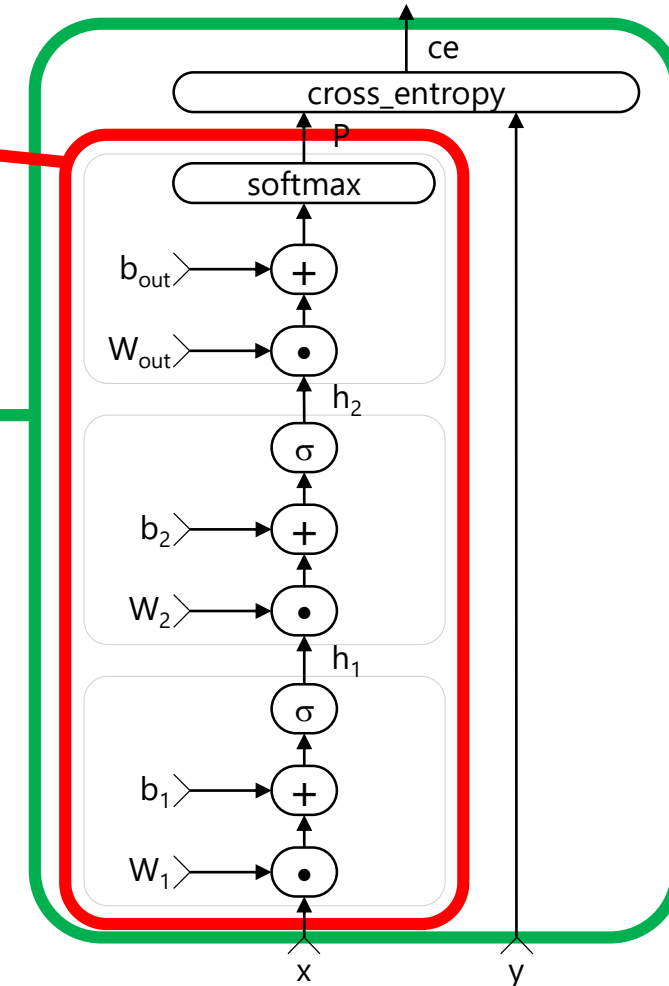
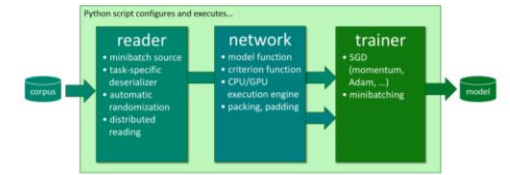
- *features* \rightarrow *predictions*
- defines the **model structure** & parameter initialization
- holds parameters that will be learned by training

- the criterion function

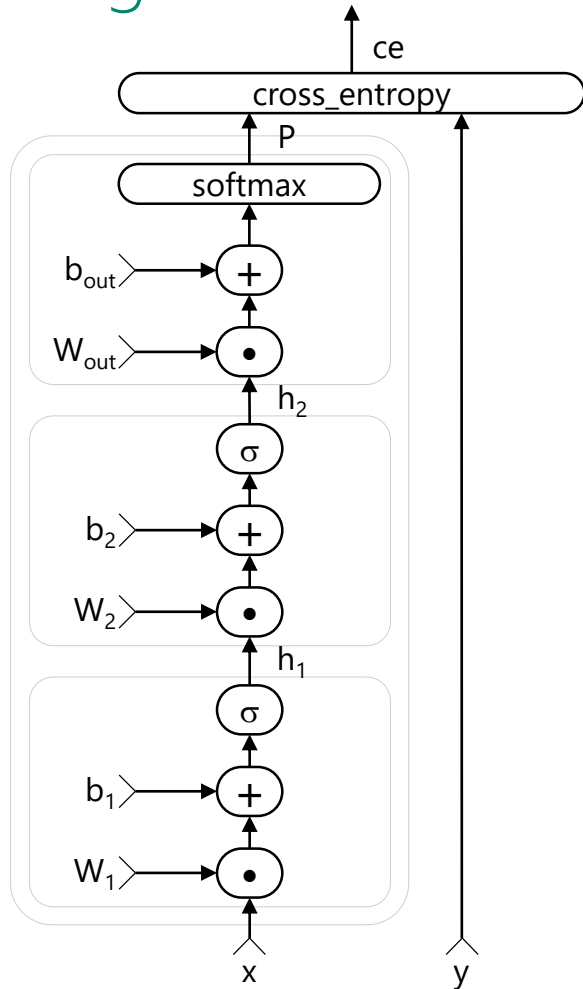
- *(features, labels)* \rightarrow *(training loss, additional metrics)*
- defines **training** and **evaluation criteria** on top of the model function
- provides gradients w.r.t. training criteria

- both written in Python (CNTK V2 API)

- looks like Python functions
- hides graph business underneath



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- nodes: functions (primitives)
 - can be composed into reusable composites
- edges: values
 - incl. tensors, sparse
- automatic differentiation
 - $\partial \mathcal{F} / \partial \text{in} = \partial \mathcal{F} / \partial \text{out} \cdot \partial \text{out} / \partial \text{in}$
- deferred computation \rightarrow execution engine
- editable, clonable

LEGO-like composability allows CNTK to support wide range of networks & applications