

# **MS, Computer Science - Thesis Defense**

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# **From Language to Location using Multiple Instance Neural Networks**

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# Problem

Predict the location of a tweet when its generator's location is given.

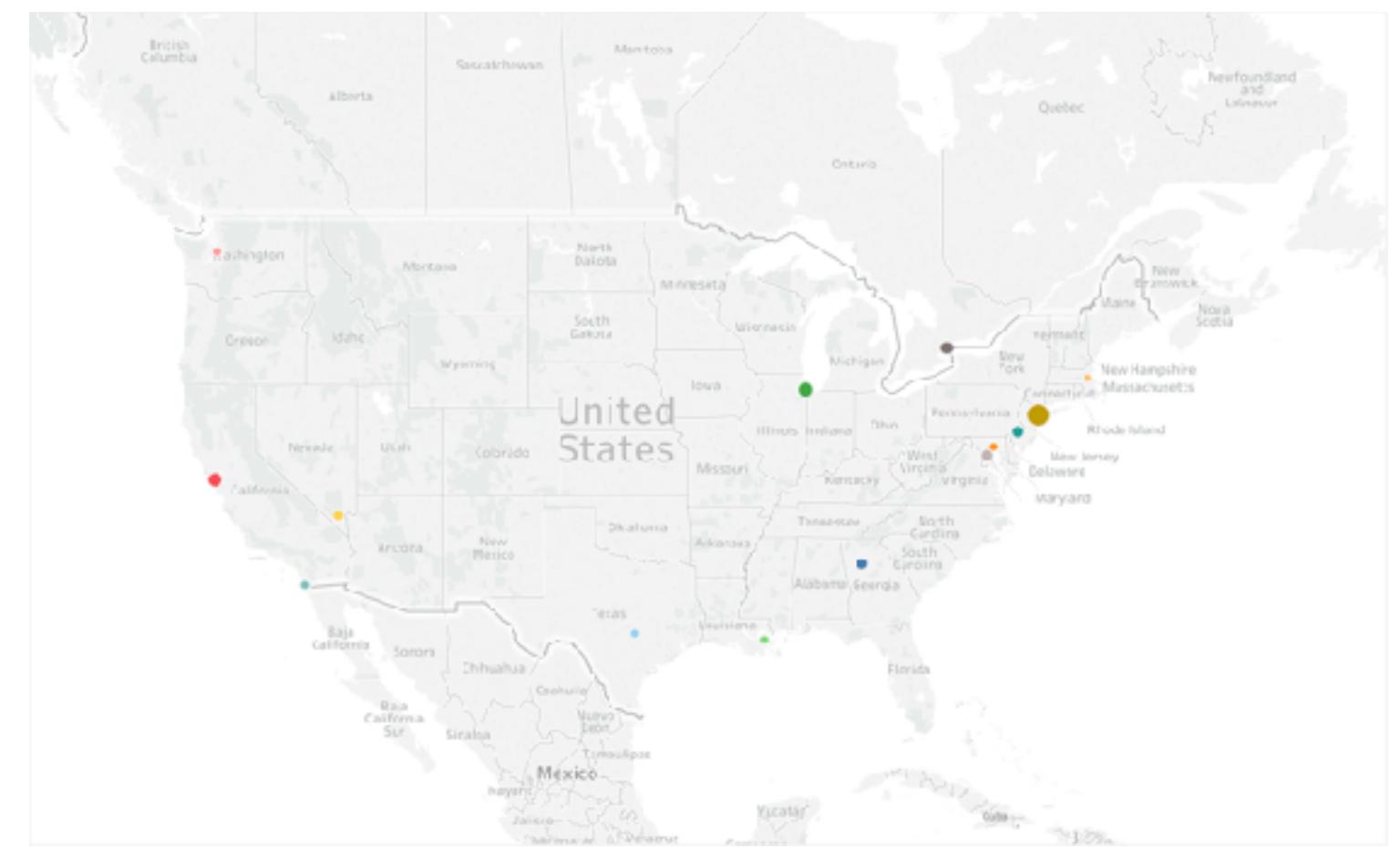
# Why?



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Red Cross**

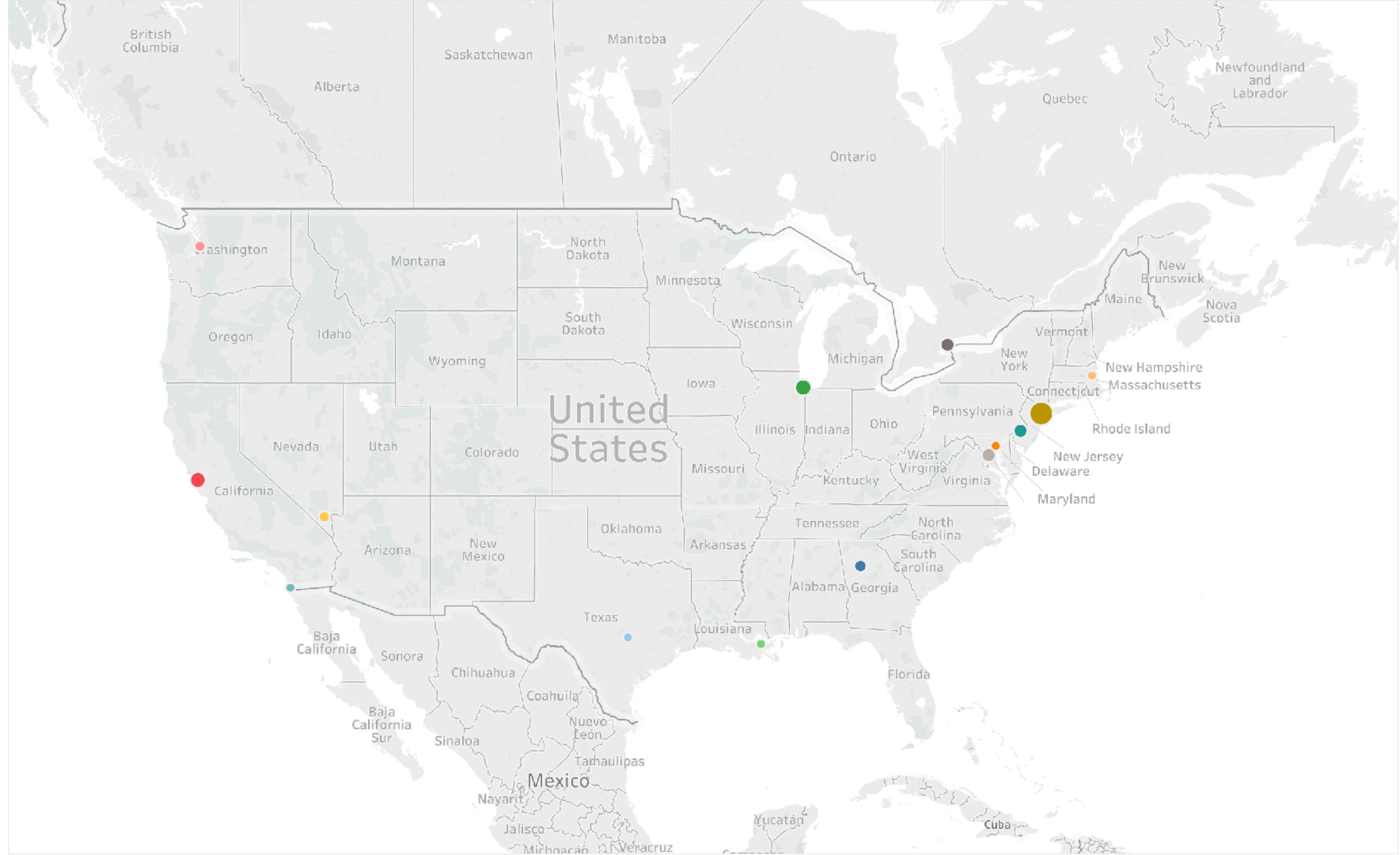


# Dataset





# United States



# Datasets

City	Train	Test	Total
Atlanta	3,531	883	4,414
Austin	2,332	583	2,915
Baltimore	2,159	541	2,700
Boston	1,911	478	2,389
Chicago	6,628	1,658	8,286
New Orleans	2,072	520	2,592
New York City	15,200	3,800	19,000
Paradise	2,475	620	3,095
Philadelphia	4,633	1,159	5,792
San Diego	1,960	492	2,452
San Francisco	6,168	1,542	7,710
Seattle	2,680	670	3,350
Toronto	4,029	1,008	5,037
Washington,D.C.	4,584	1,148	5,732
Weehawken	1,756	440	2,196

# **Background**

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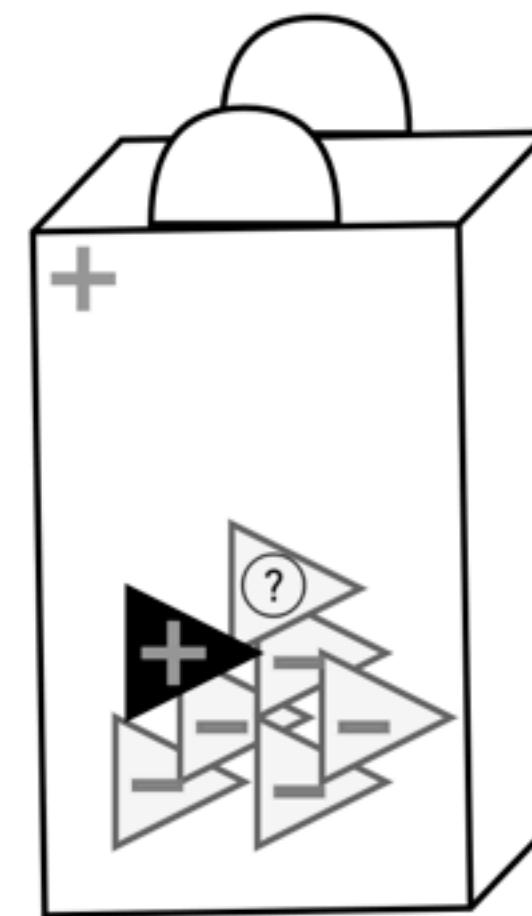
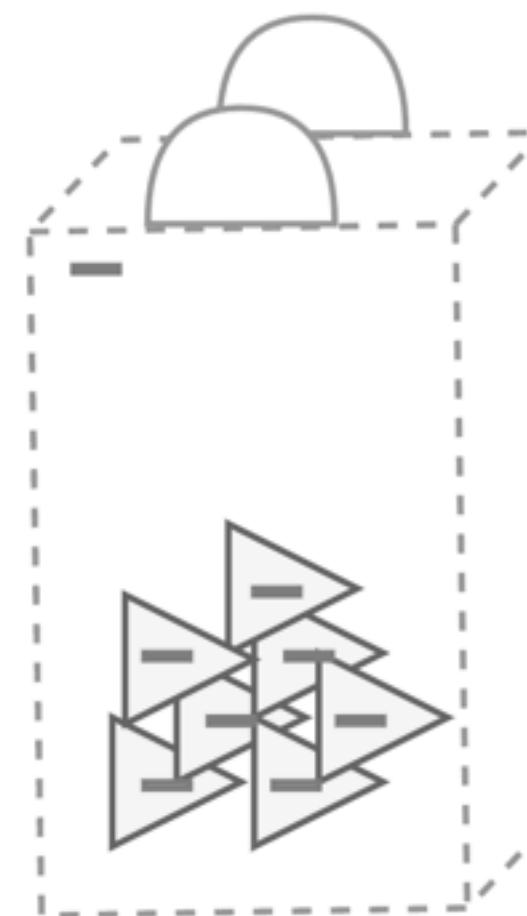
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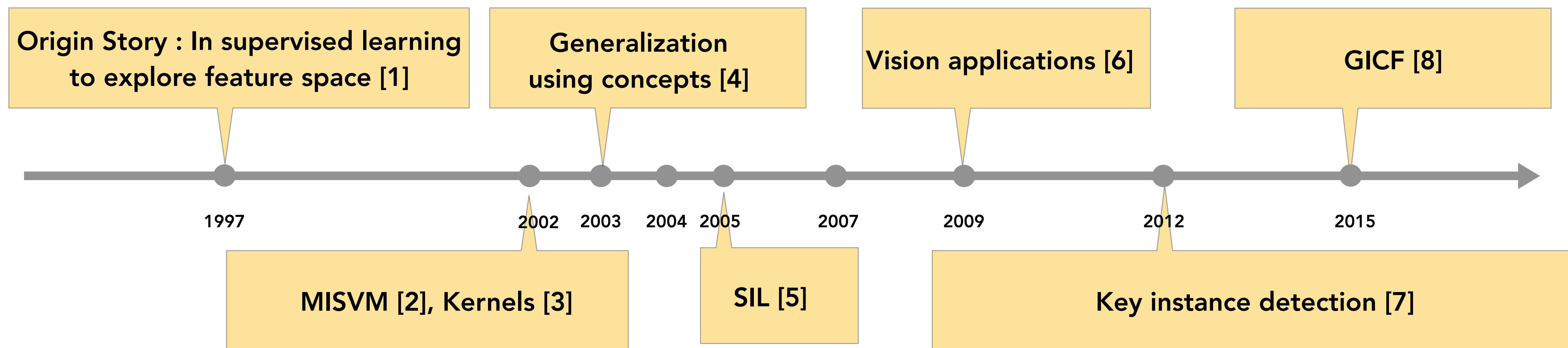
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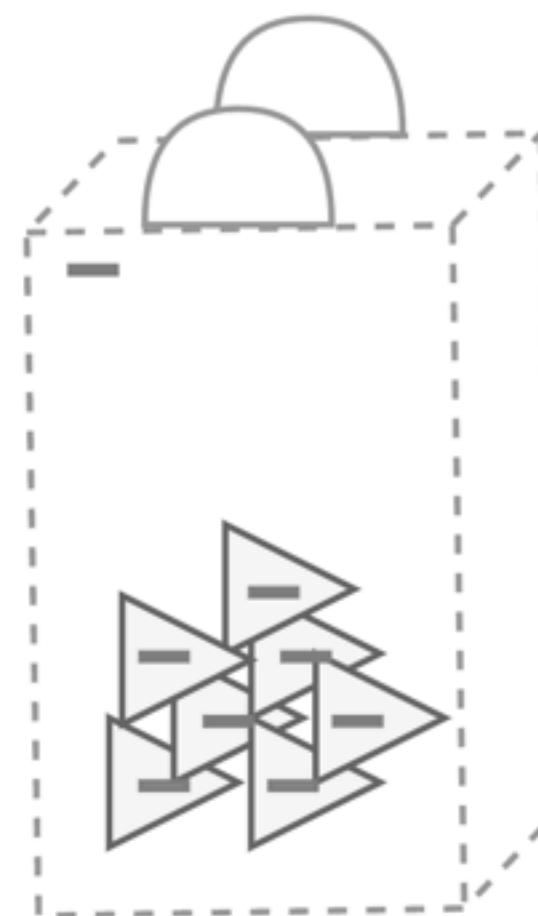
**The main components:**

- 1. Membership Assumption**
- 2. Aggregation from instance to bag level label**

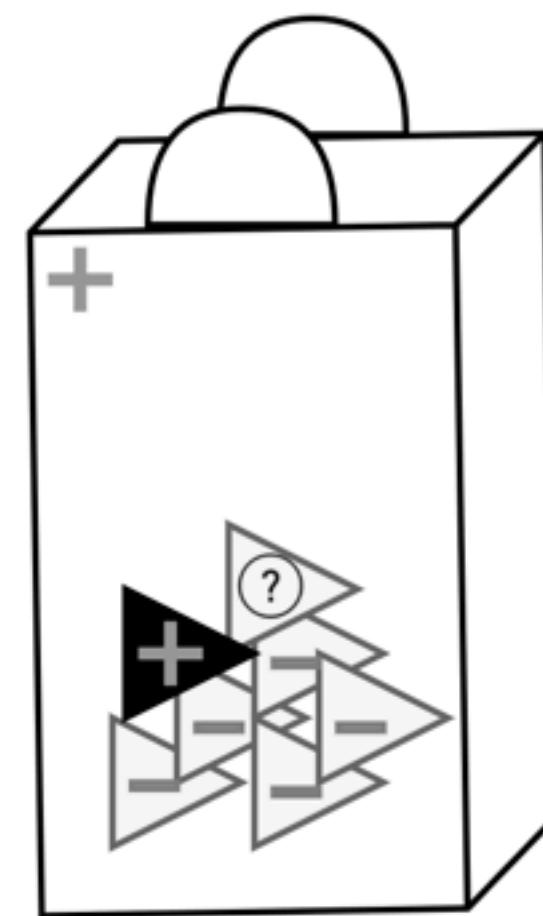
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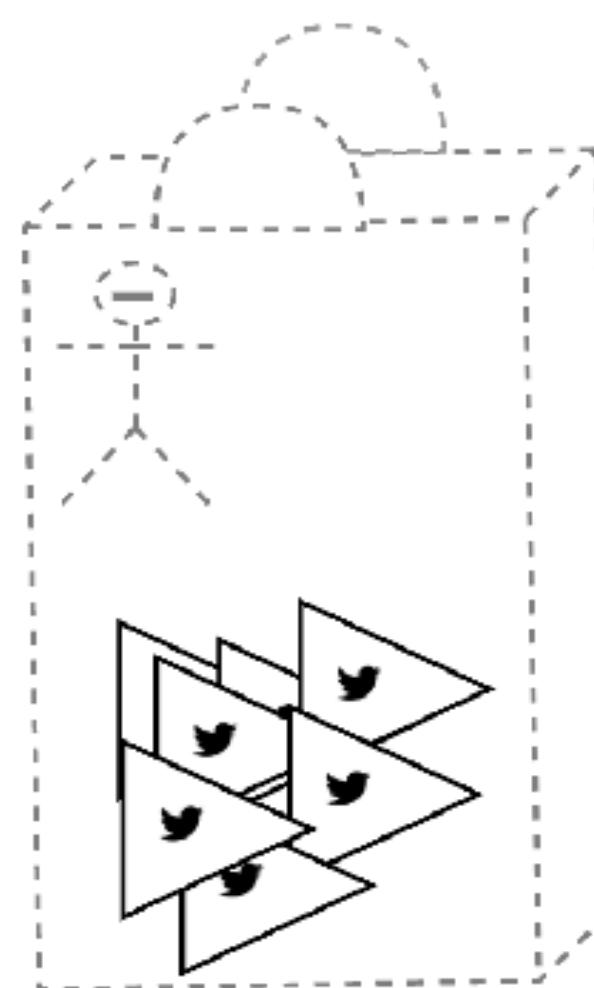


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Bag

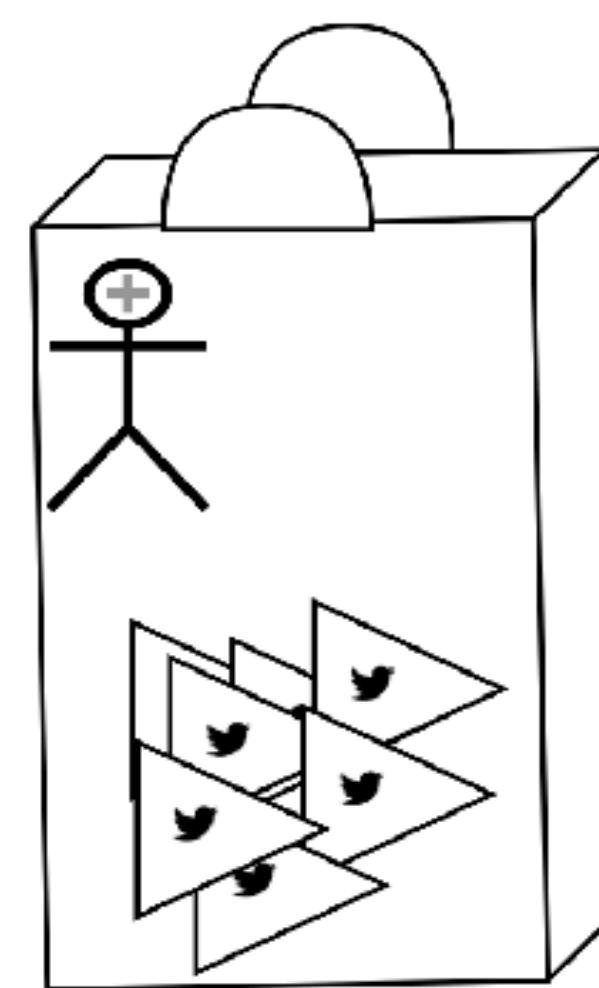


Positive  
Bag

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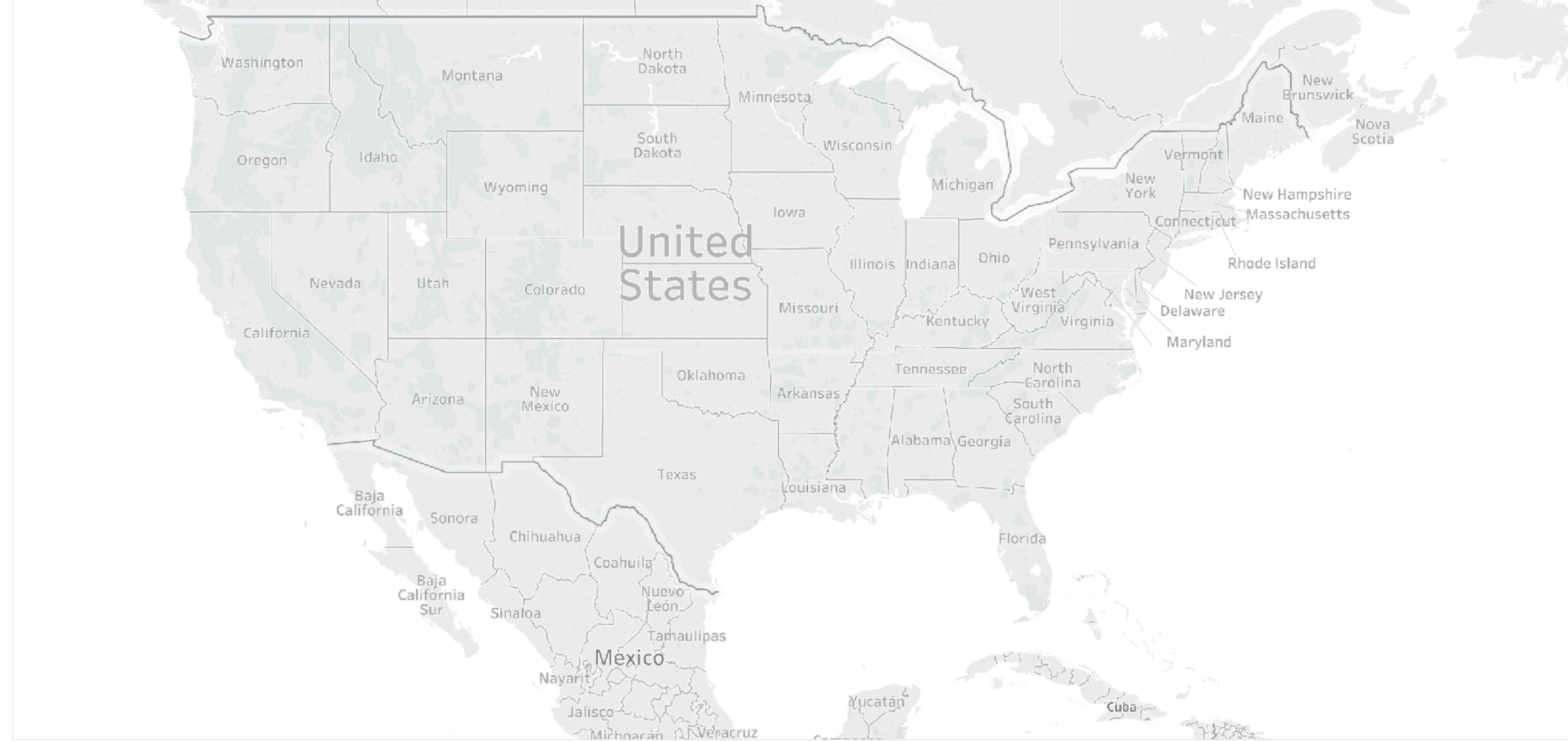


User not from city X

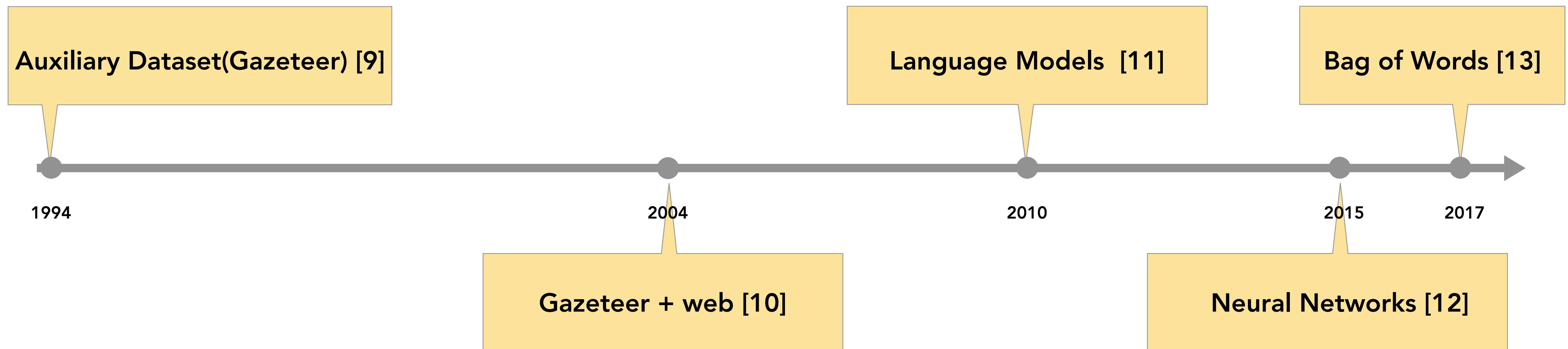


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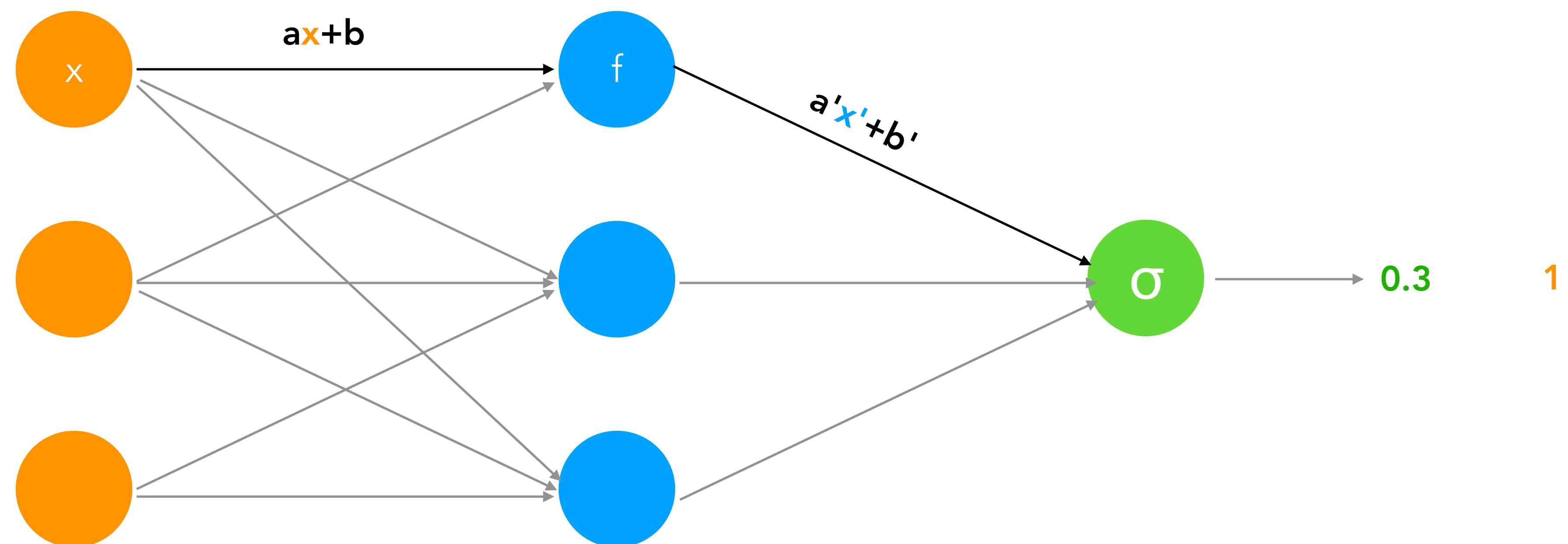
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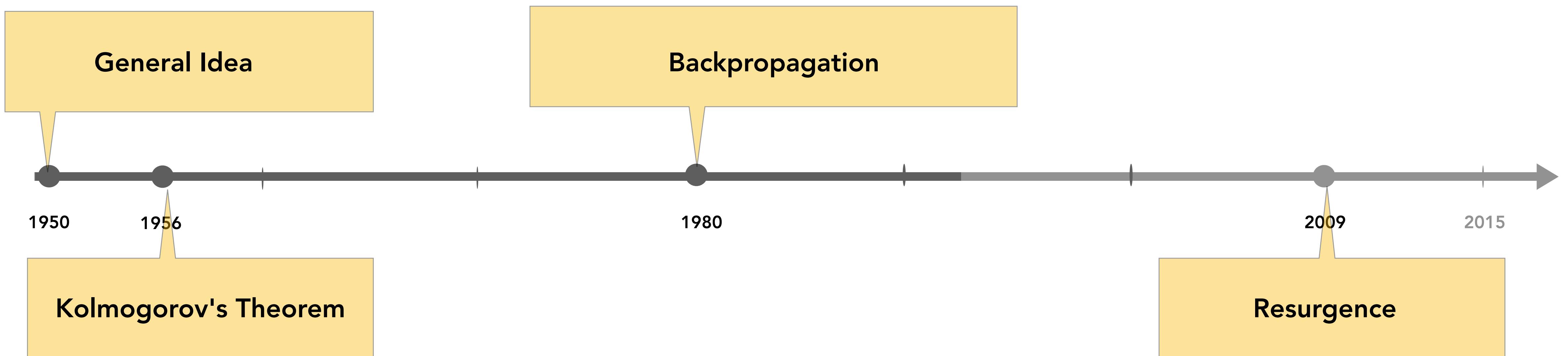
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# Background: Neural Networks

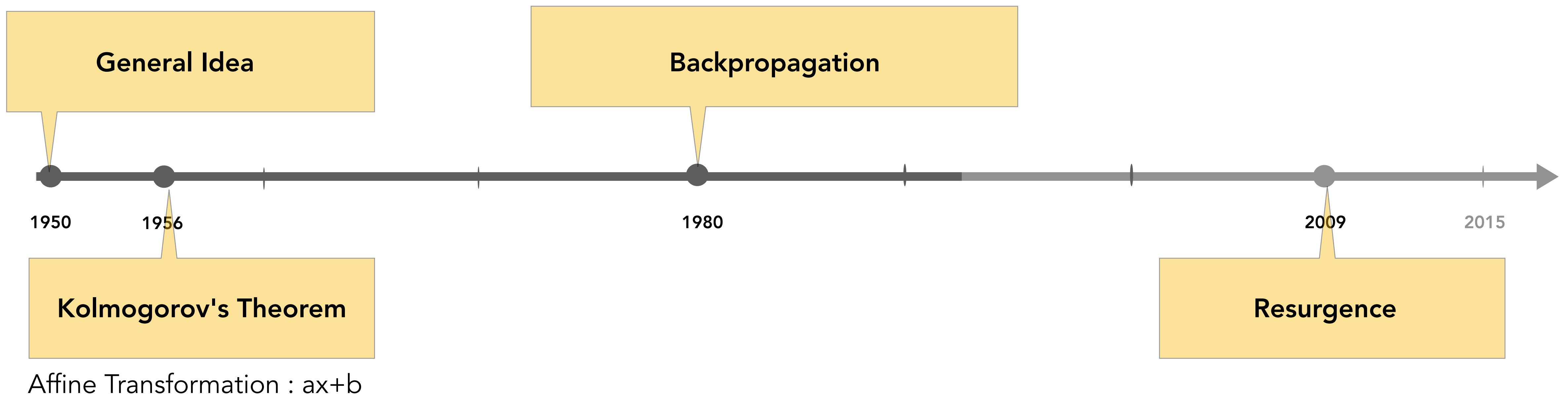
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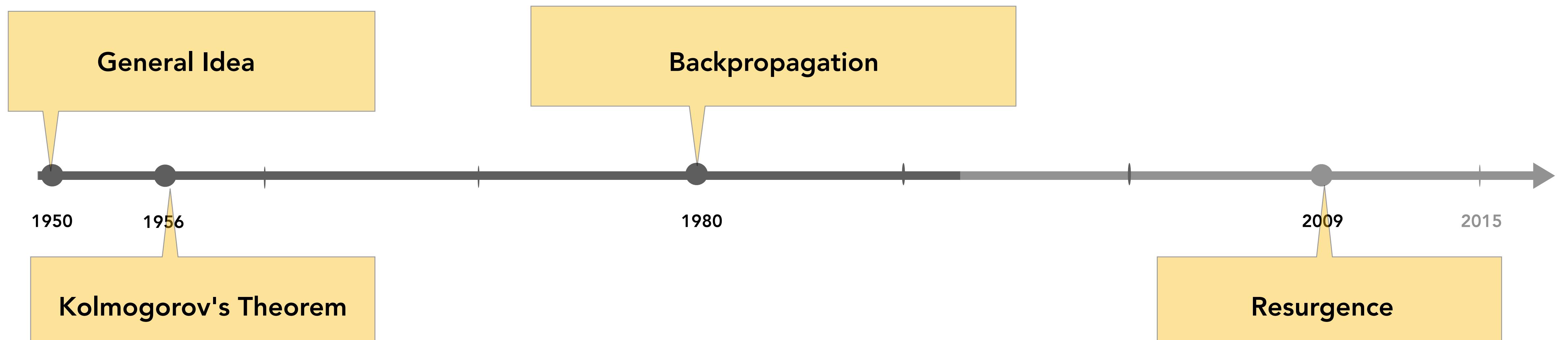
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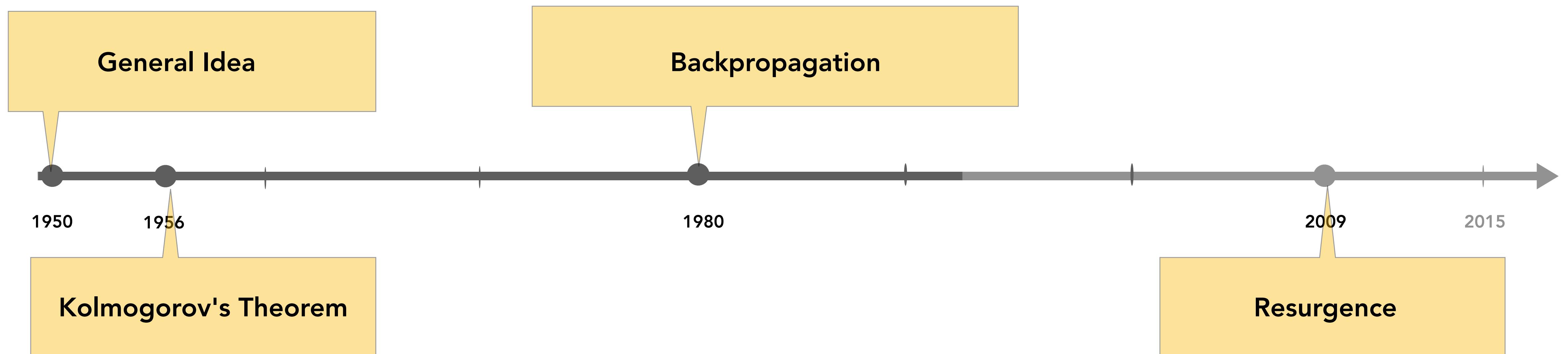


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Affine Transformation :  $ax+b$   
Non linear activation:  $f(ax+b)$

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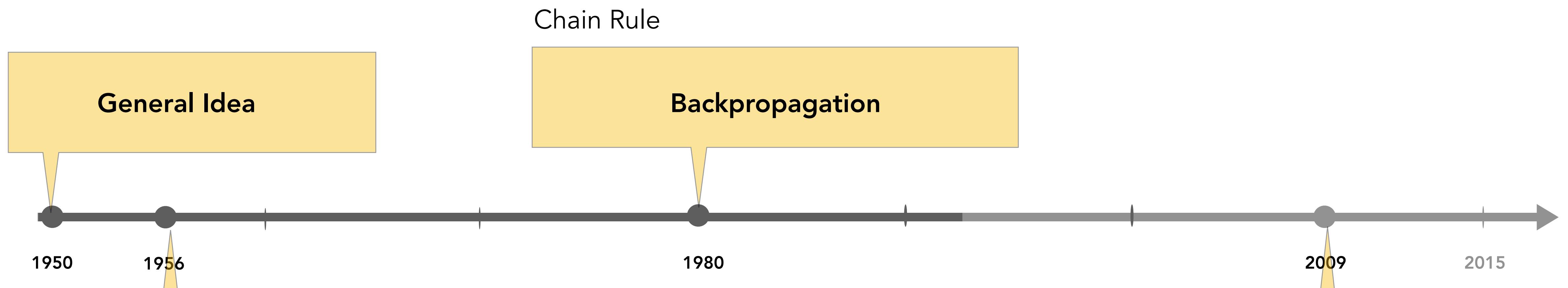


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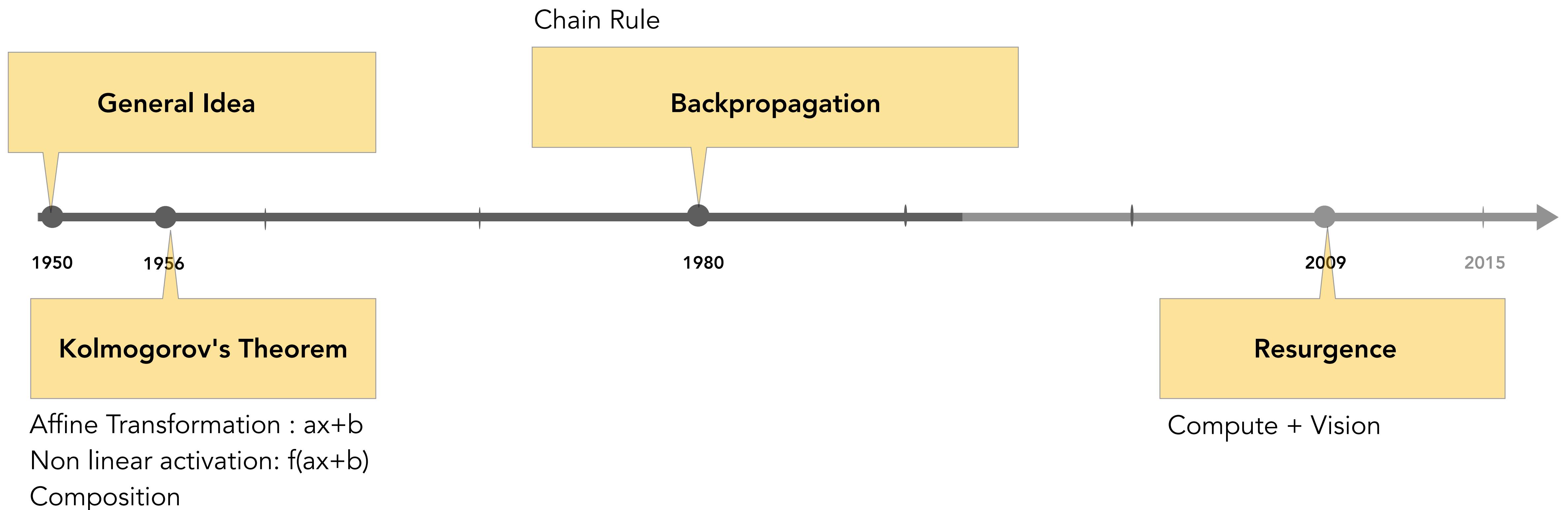
Composition

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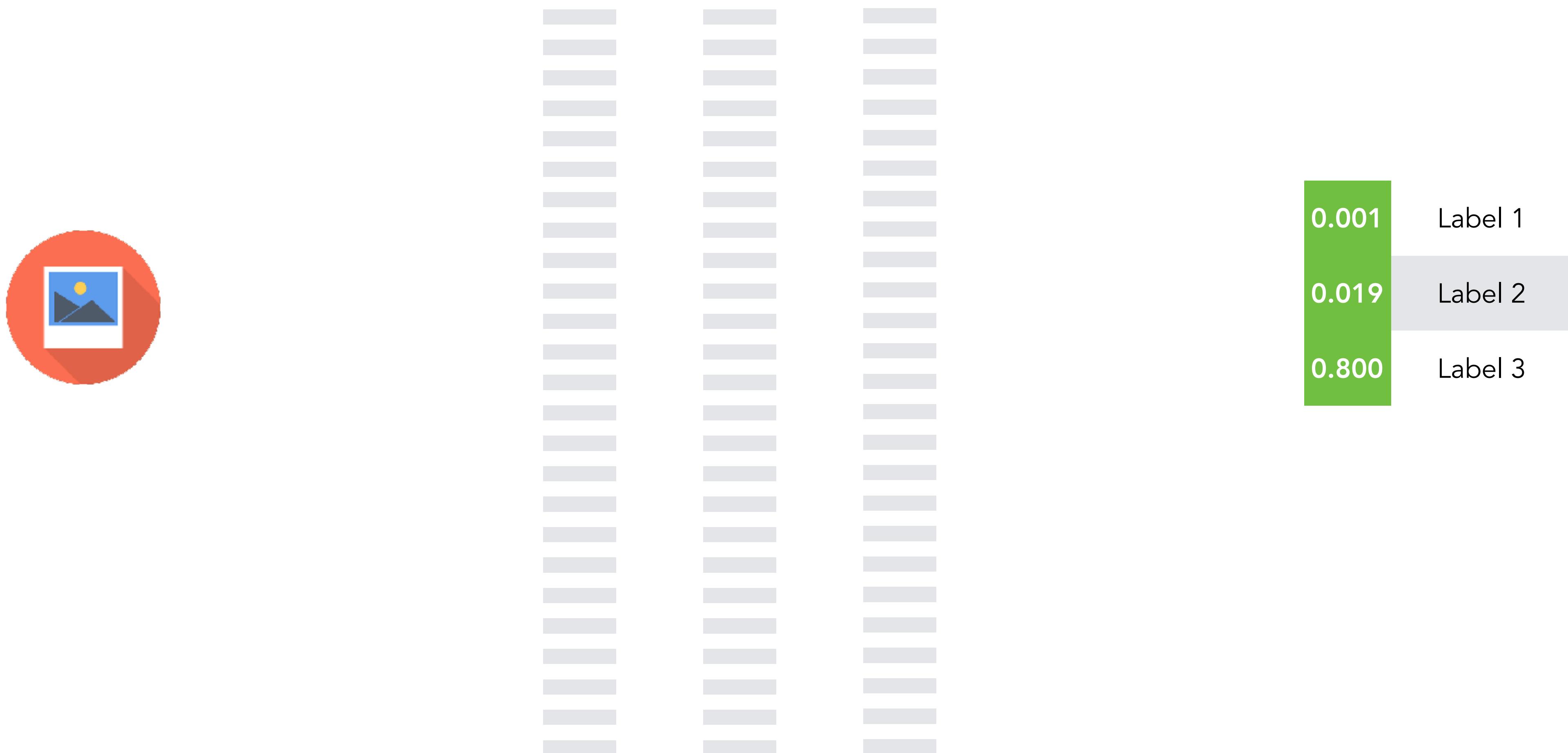
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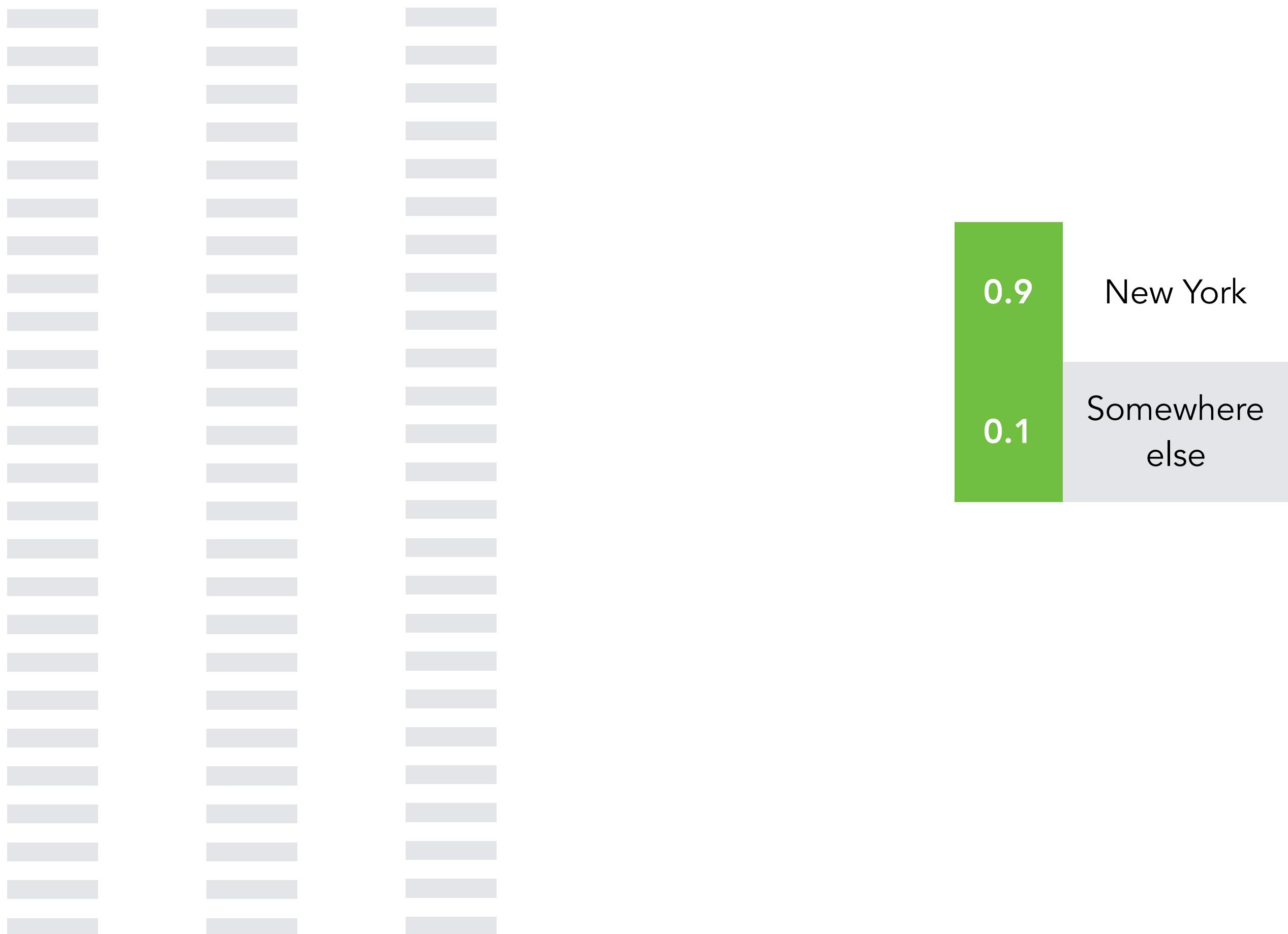
Dense Layers



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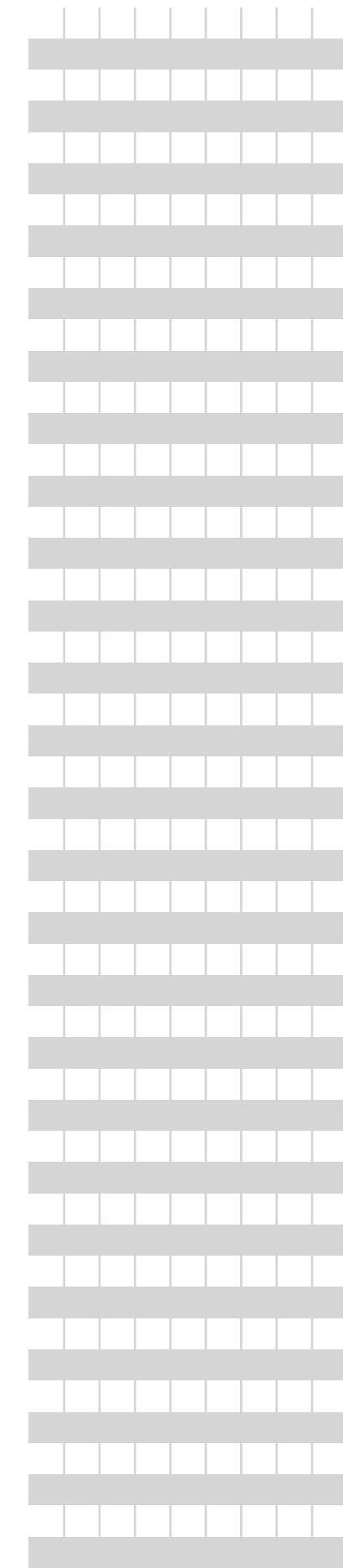
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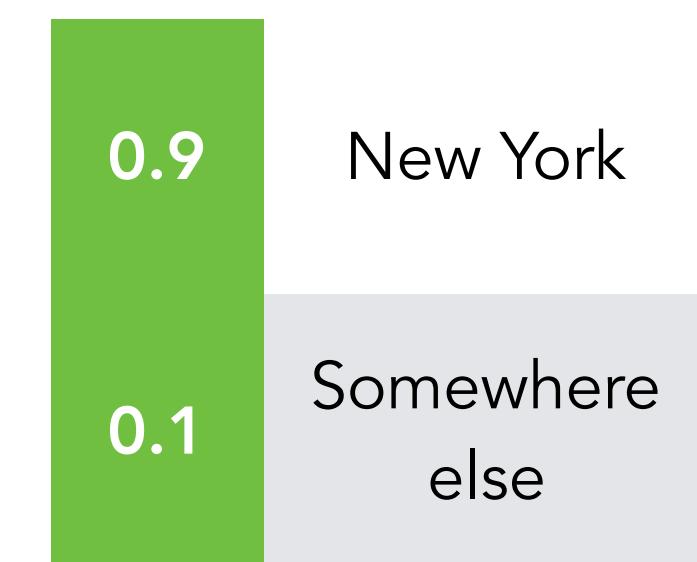
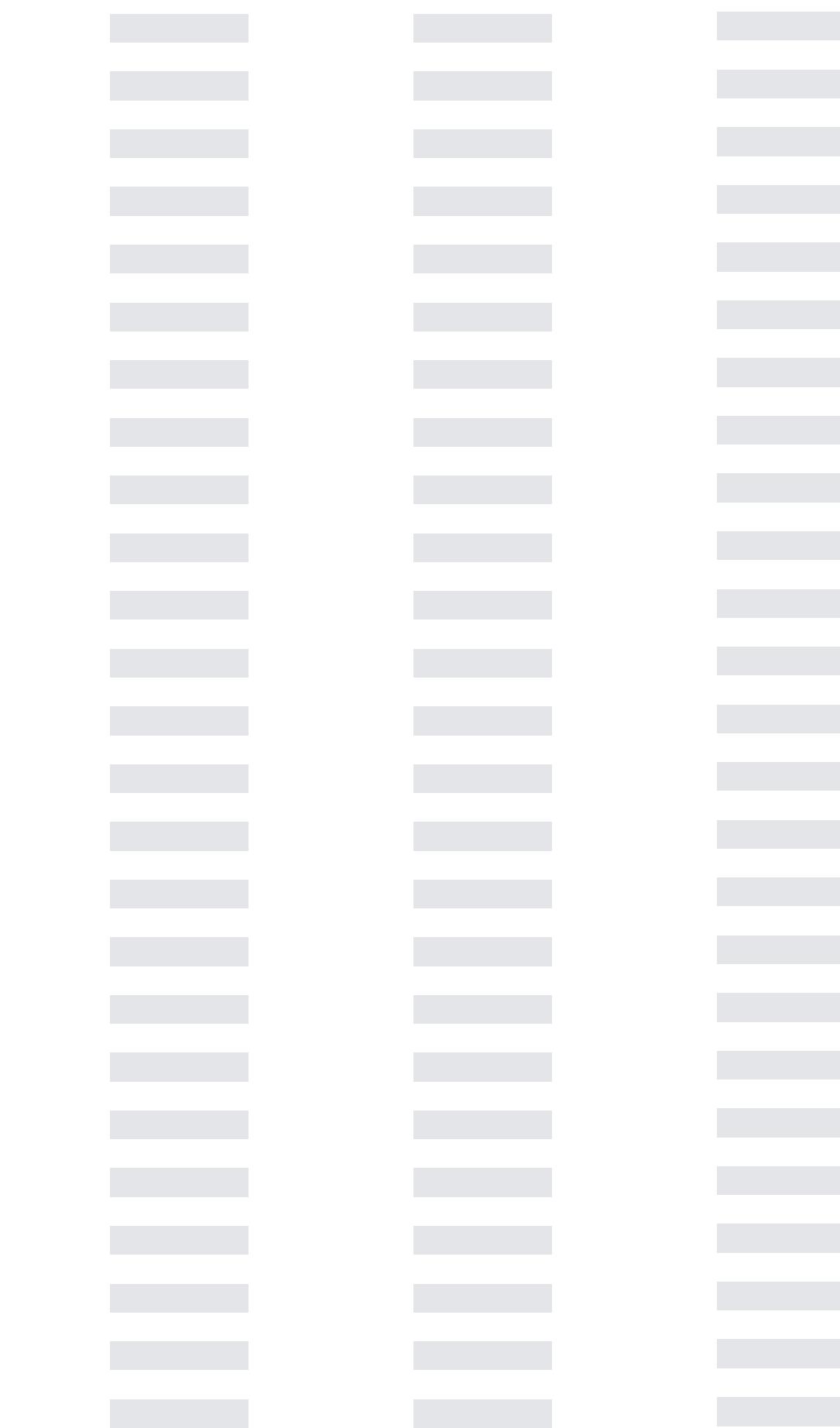
# Background: Neural Networks



Embedding Layer



Dense Layers



# **Background : Gaps**

## **MIL**

Kernels

Running Time - Combinatorial Complexity

Feature Engineering

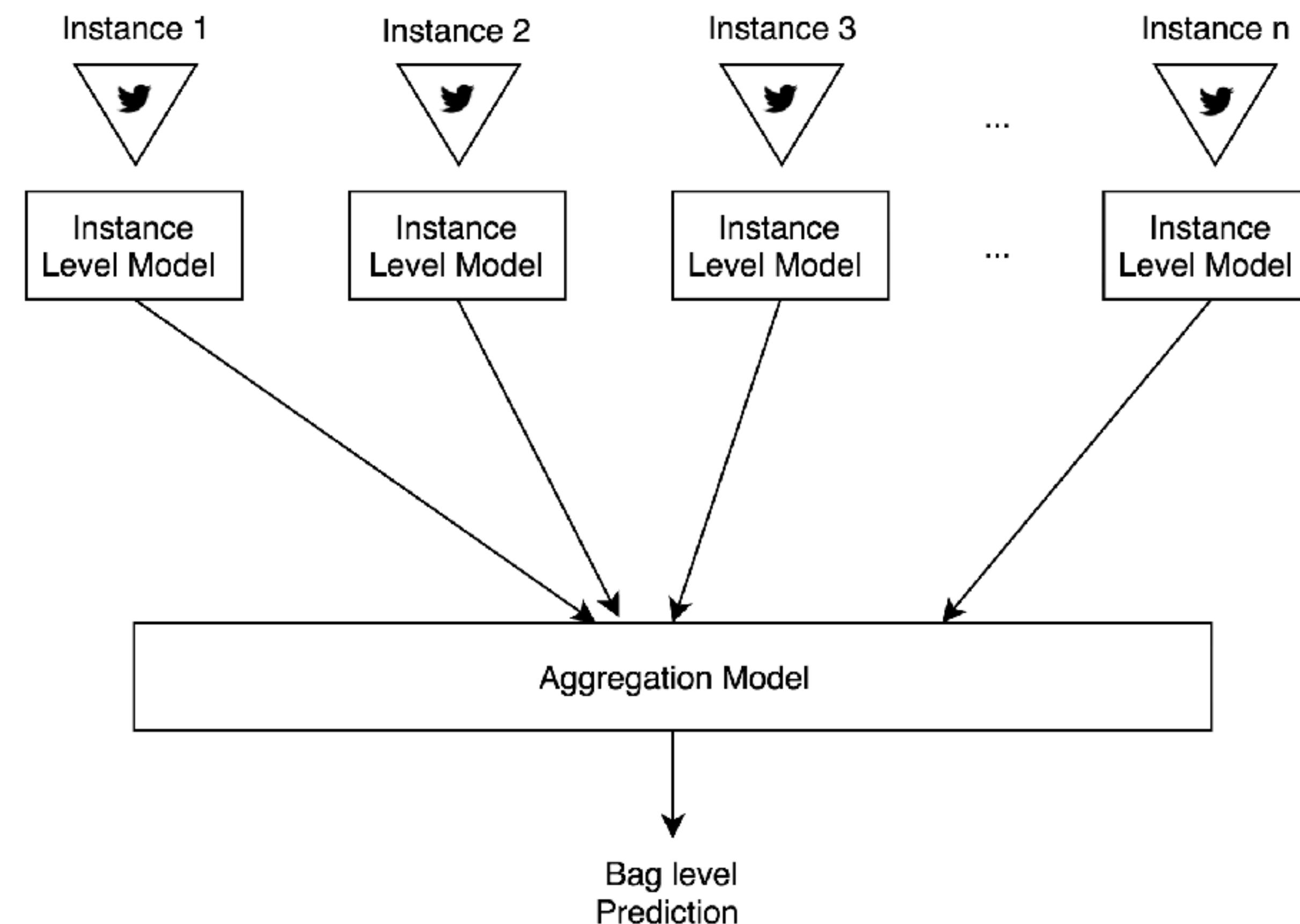
Rigid Assumptions

## **GIR**

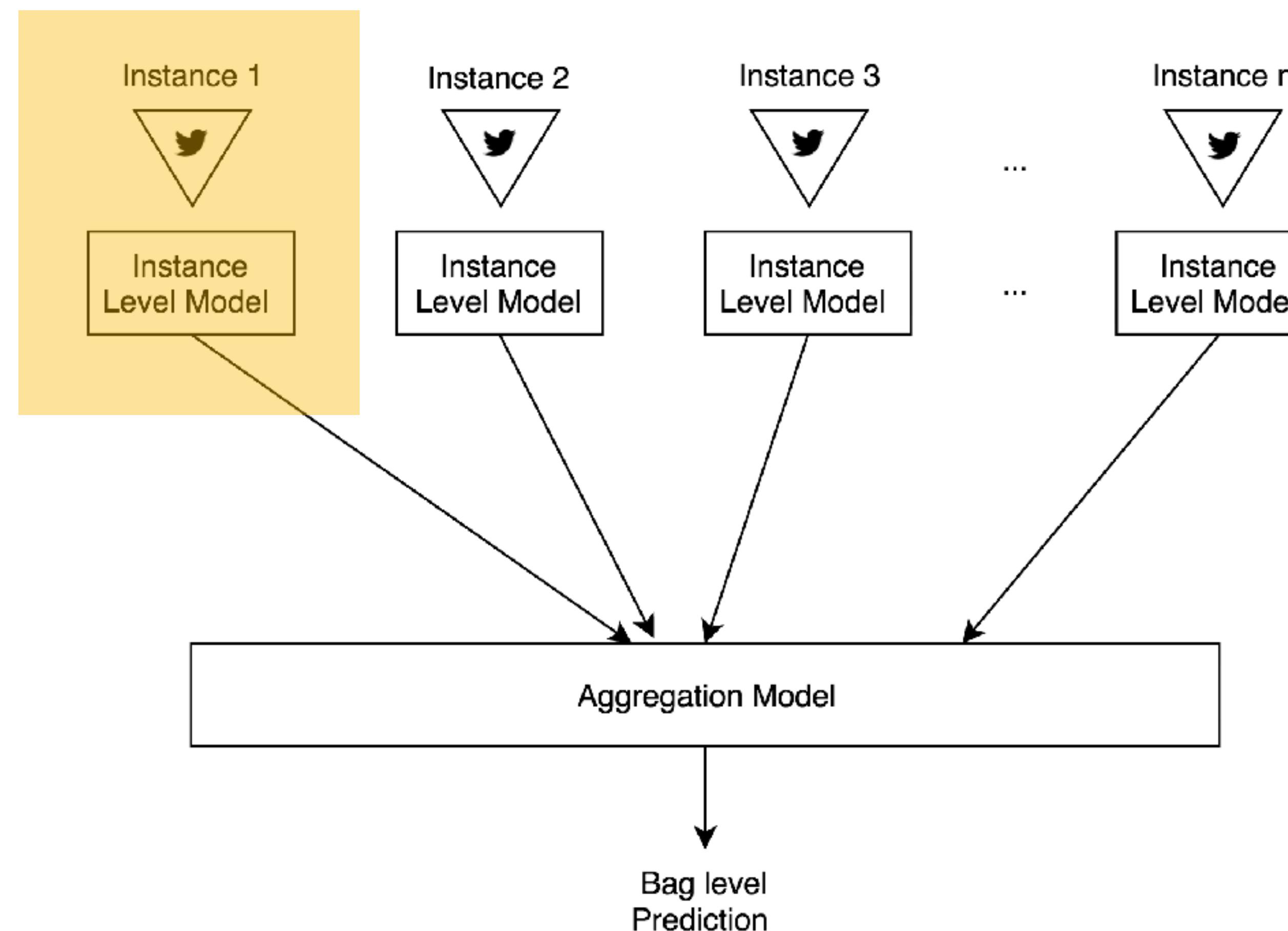
Bag of Words Model

# **Proposed Method**

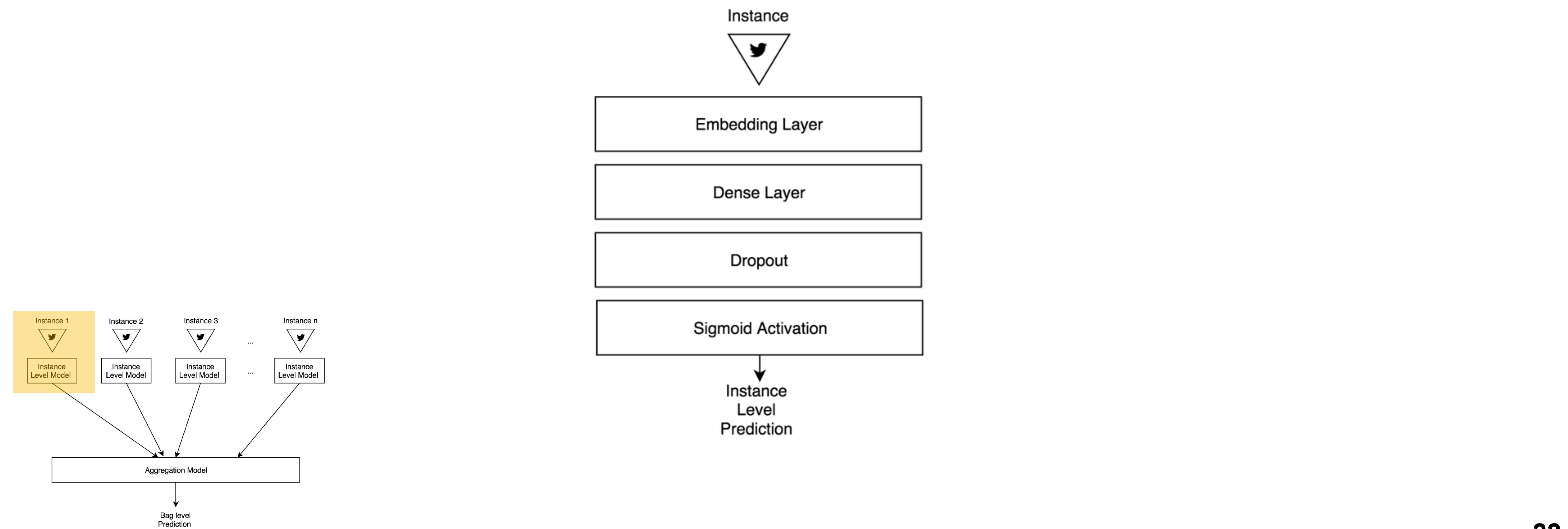
# Model Architecture



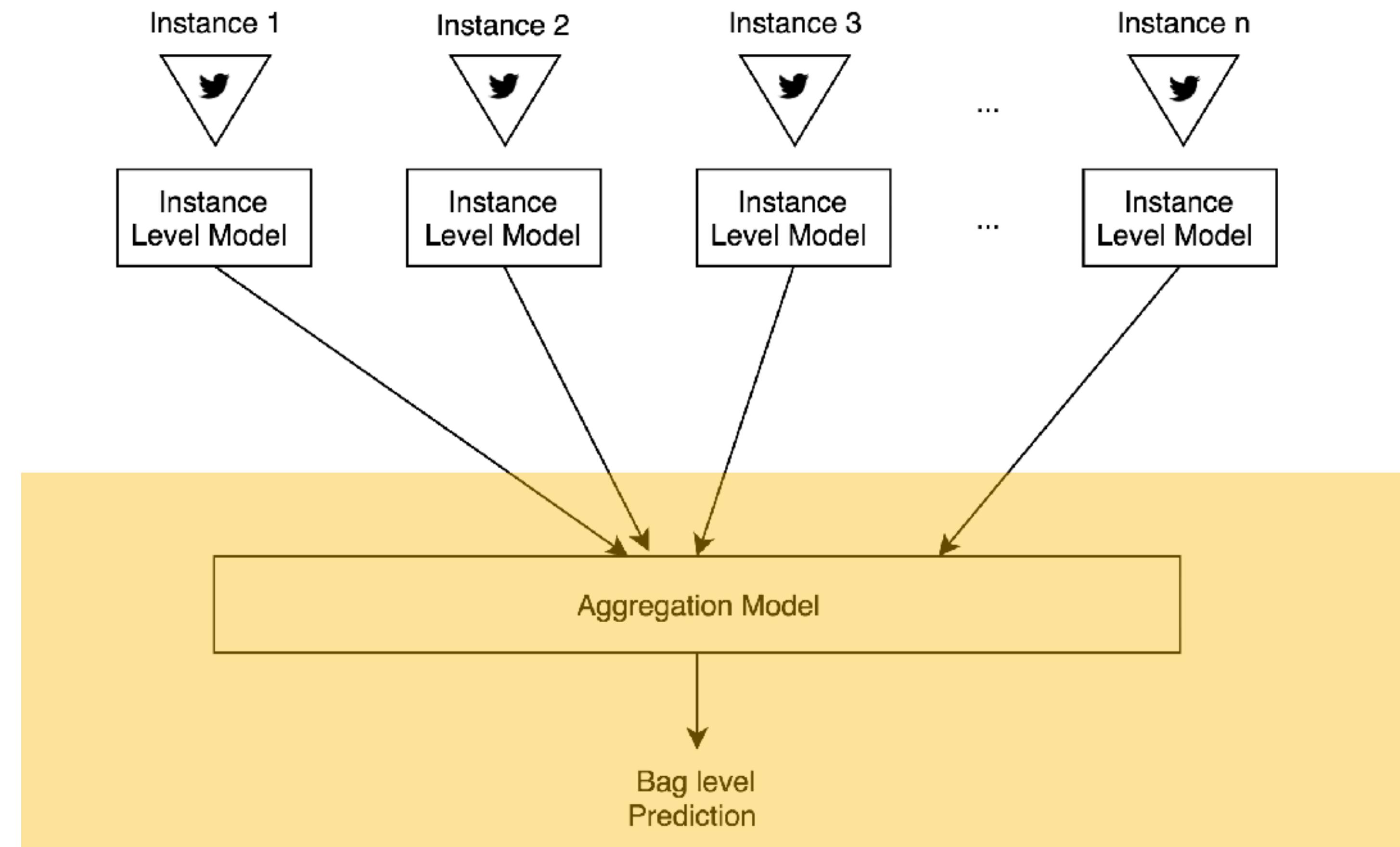
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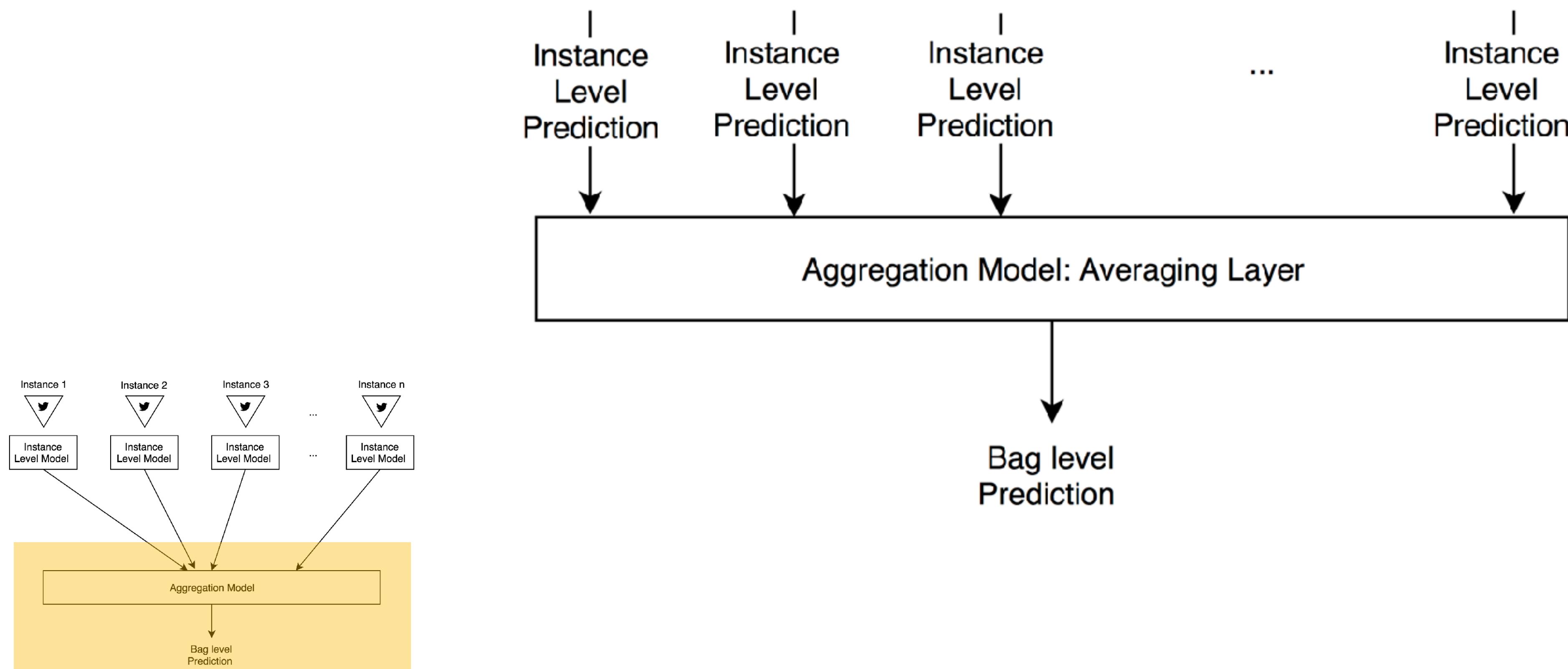
# Instance Level Model



# Model Architecture



# Aggregation Scheme



# Training and Losses

**Loss Function**

$$\mathcal{L}(\hat{y}, y) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N [y_i \log \hat{y}_i + (1 - y_i) \log (1 - \hat{y}_i)]$$

**Backpropagation**

Adam Optimizer

# **Results**

**Chosen parameters**

**Exploring the Hyper-parameter space**

**Running Time**

**Accuracy**

**F-measure**

**Case Studies**

# Chosen Parameters

## Preprocessing Choices :

Vocabulary Size	<b>5000 words</b>
Number of words per tweet	<b>20 words</b>
Treatment of URLs, @mentions and #hashtags	<b>\$url\$, \$hashtag\$, \$mention\$</b>

<b>Number of tweets per bag</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Embedding Size</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Dense Nodes</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Dropout</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Batch Size</b>	<b>256</b>
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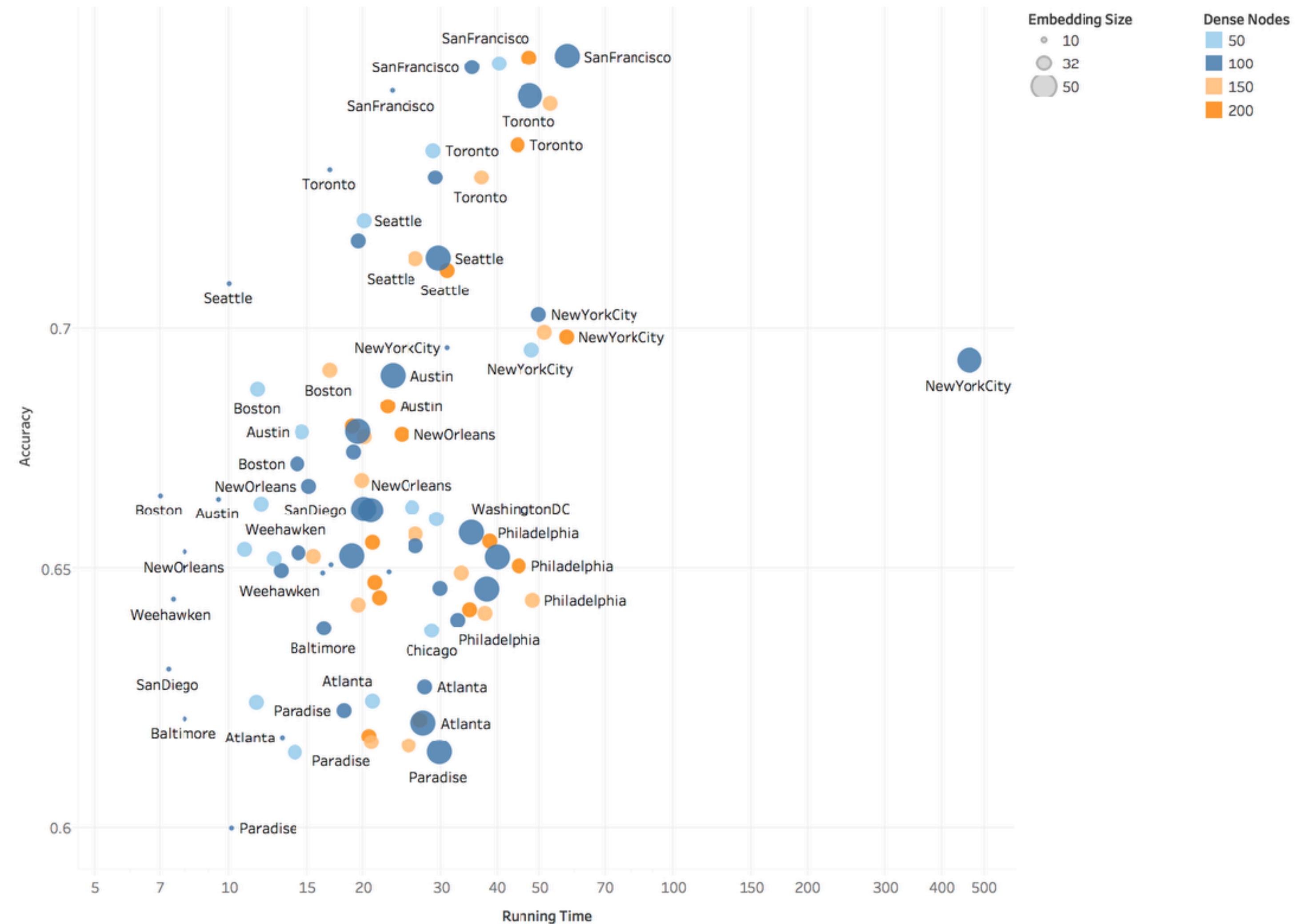
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# Hyper-parameter space



# Running Time

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Baltimore	27,069	3,030	69	35
Boston	19,166	2,724	60	28
Chicago	22,935	2,866	288	45
New Orleans	33,043	2,826	76	52
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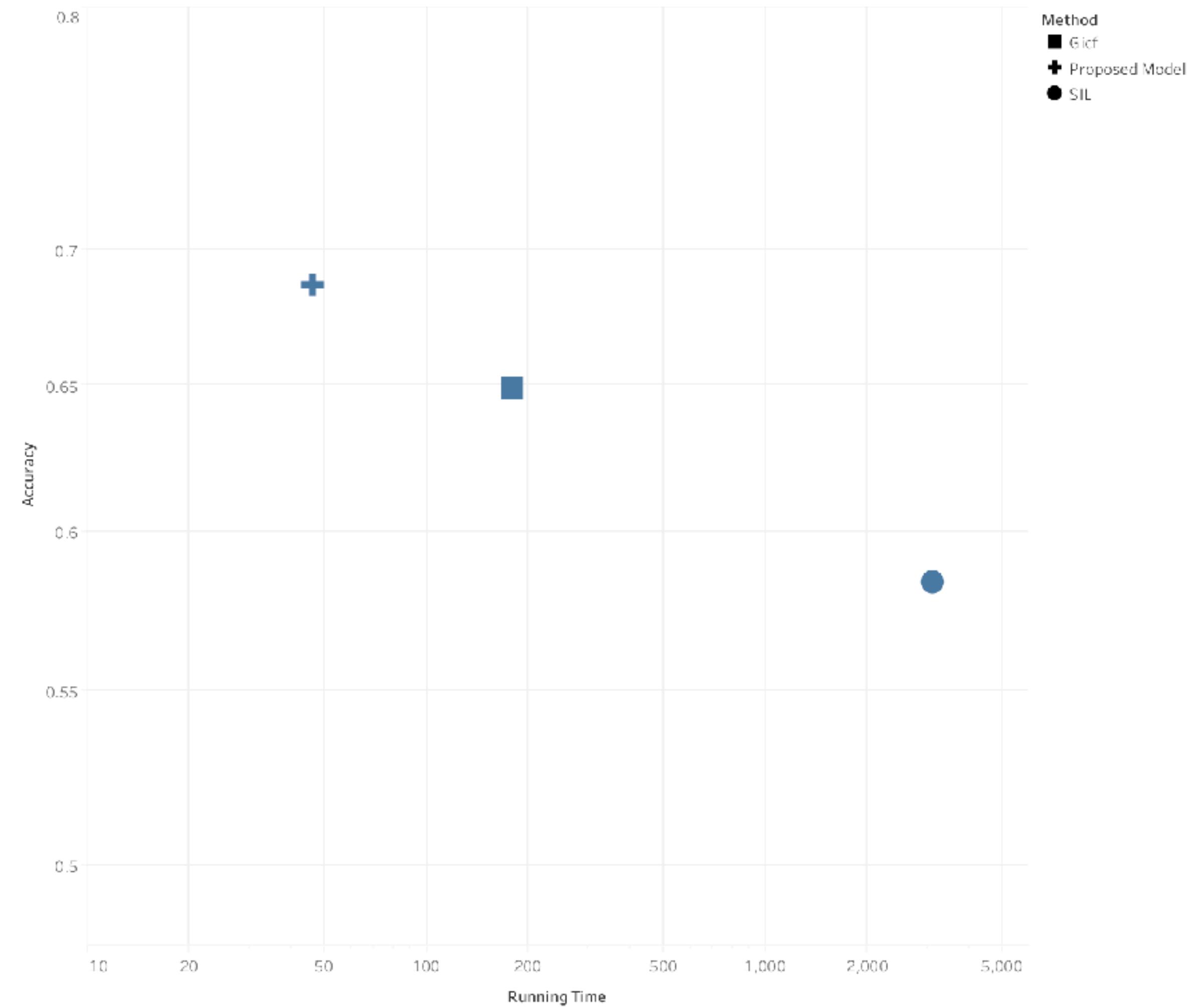
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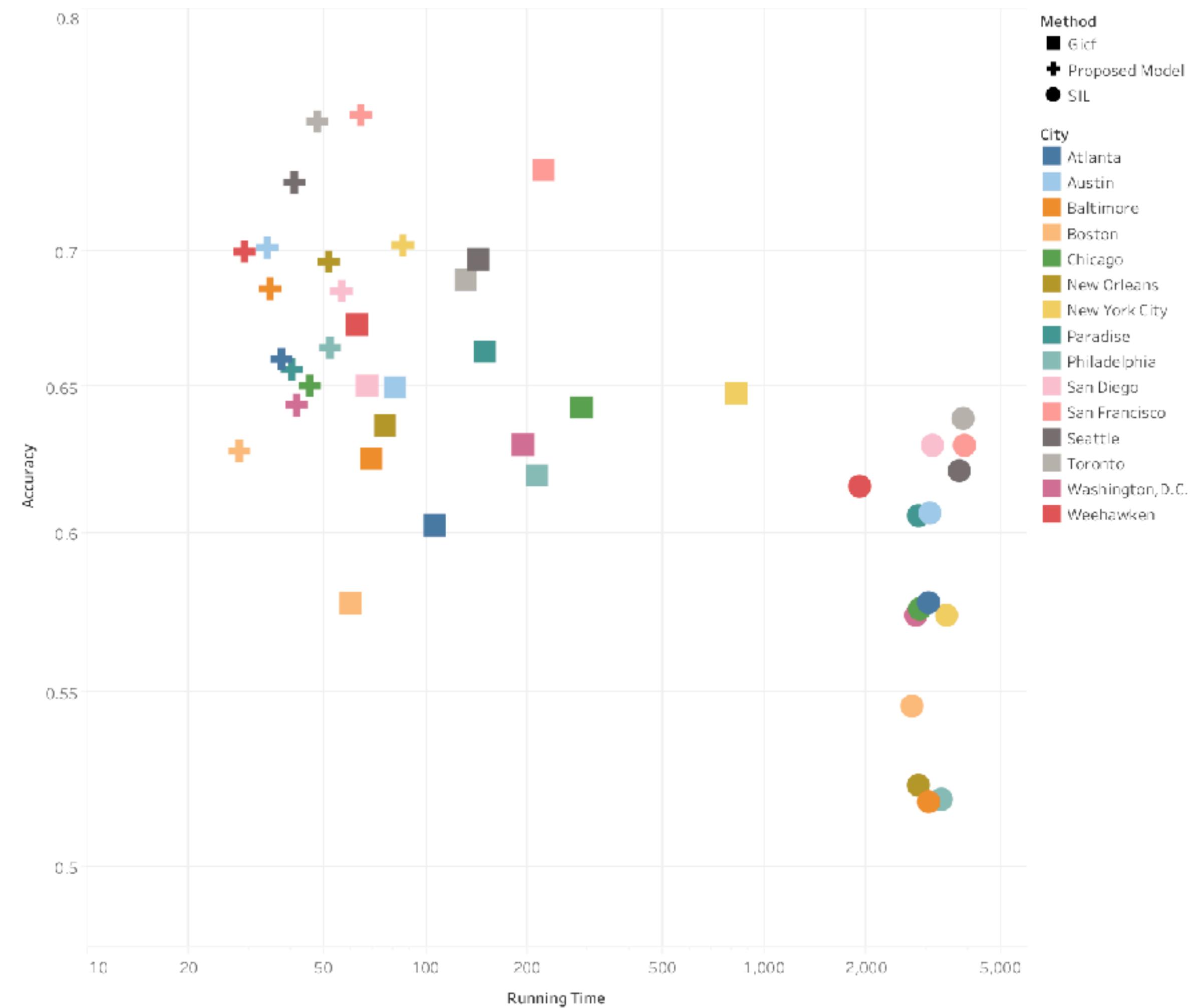
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City	MISVM	SIL	GICF	milNN
Atlanta	0.4990	0.5780	0.6025	<b>0.6602</b>
Austin	0.4970	0.6070	0.6501	<b>0.7015</b>
Baltimore	0.4990	0.5180	0.6248	<b>0.6858</b>
Boston	0.5000	0.5460	0.5774	<b>0.6276</b>
Chicago	0.5000	0.5760	0.6429	<b>0.6502</b>
New Orleans	0.5000	0.5230	0.6365	<b>0.6962</b>
New York City	0.5000	0.5740	0.6476	<b>0.7024</b>
Paradise	0.4980	0.6060	<b>0.6629</b>	0.6565
Philadelphia	0.4960	0.5190	0.6195	<b>0.6644</b>
San Diego	0.5000	0.6300	0.6504	<b>0.6850</b>
San Francisco	0.5000	0.6300	0.7322	<b>0.7542</b>
Seattle	0.5000	0.6210	0.6970	<b>0.7269</b>
Toronto	0.4990	0.6390	0.6895	<b>0.7520</b>
Washington,D.C.	0.5000	0.5740	0.6298	<b>0.6437</b>
Weehawken	0.5000	0.6160	0.6727	<b>0.7000</b>

# Accuracy vs Running Time



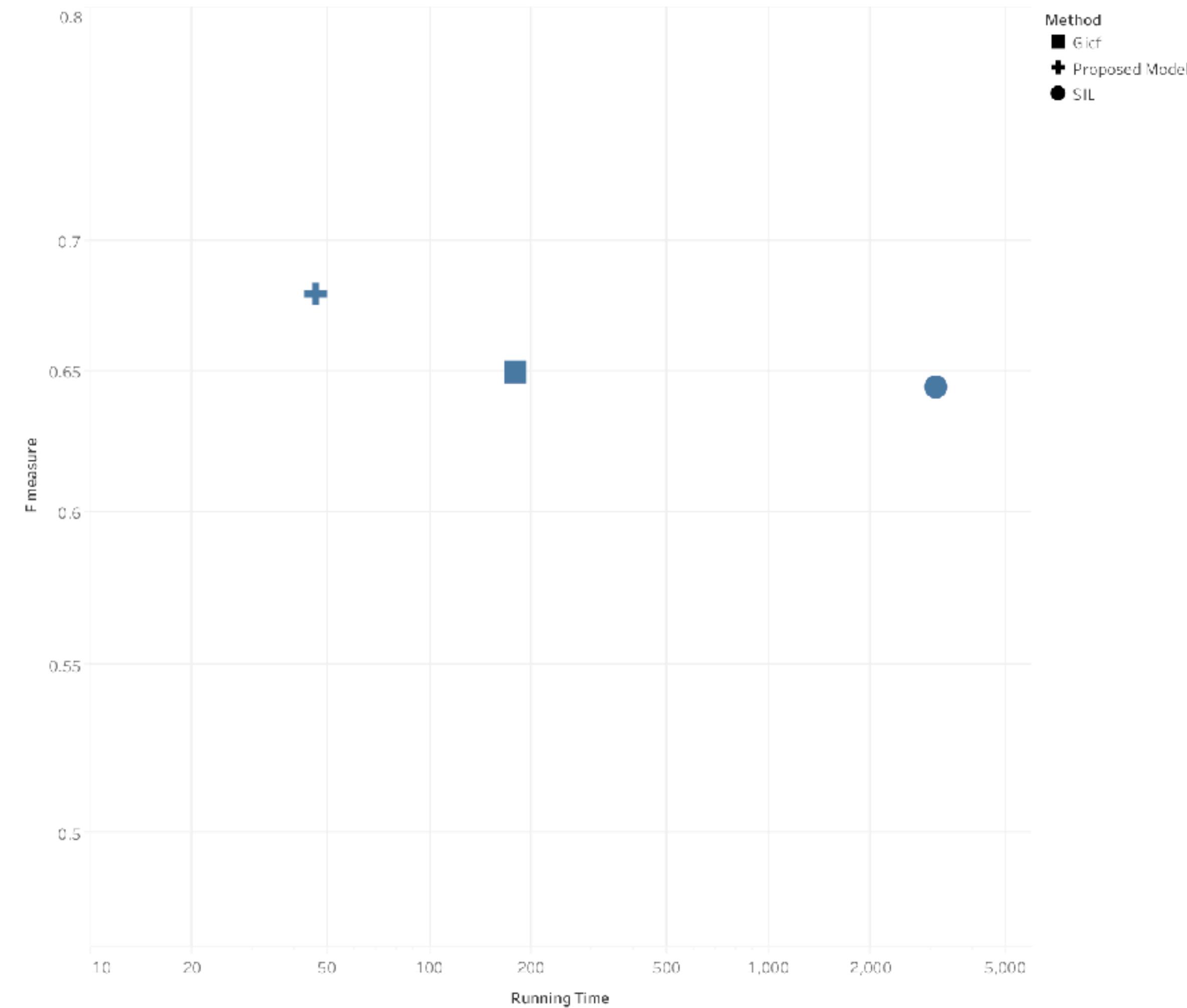
# Accuracy vs Running Time by City



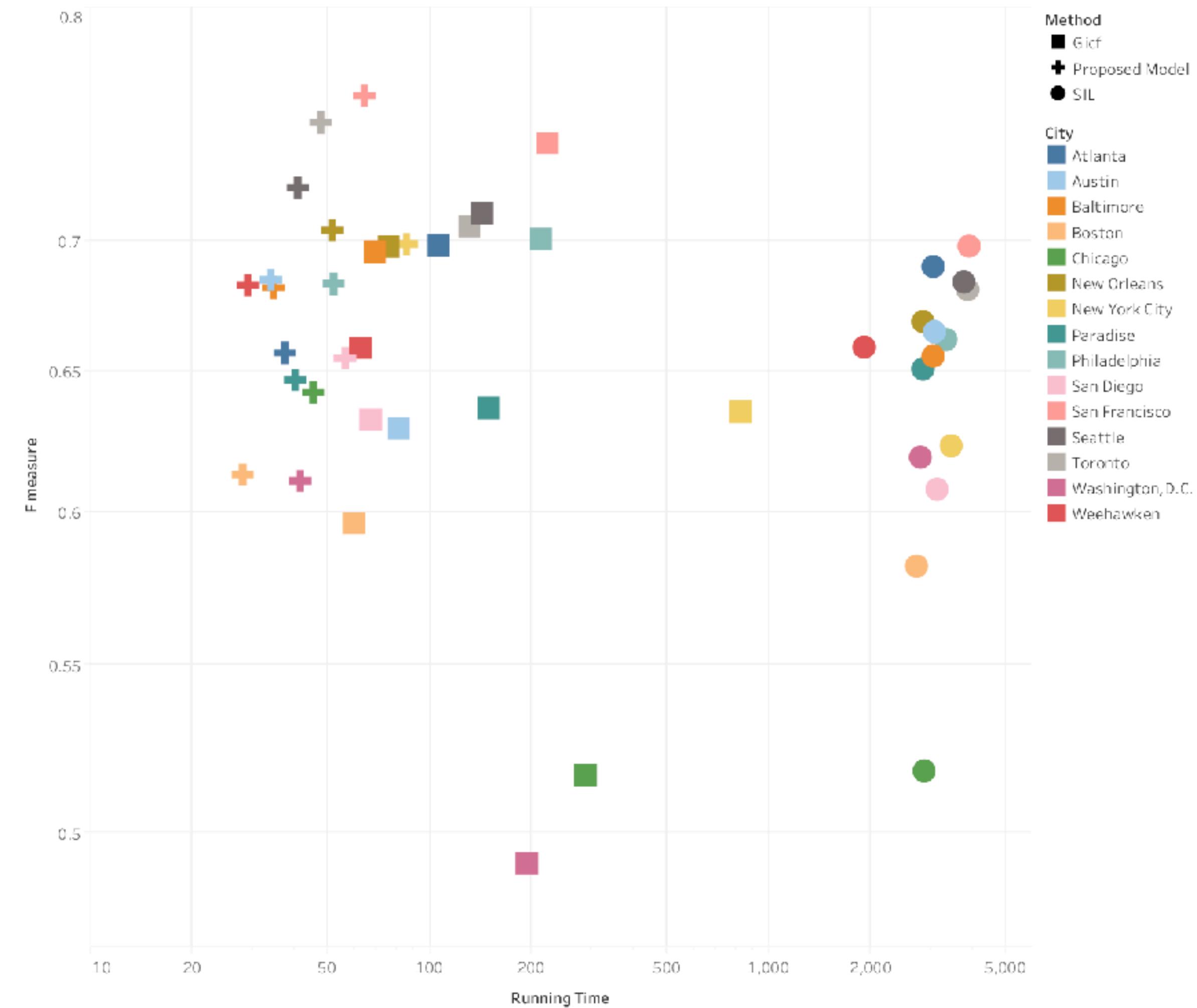
# F- measure

City	MISVM	SIL	GICF	milNN
Atlanta	0.0000	0.6900	<b>0.6982</b>	0.6568
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Baltimore	0.0000	0.6560	<b>0.6957</b>	0.6816
Boston	0.0000	0.5820	0.5960	<b>0.6130</b>
Chicago	0.0000	0.5180	0.5163	<b>0.6420</b>
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Philadelphia	0.0000	0.6620	<b>0.7006</b>	0.6830
San Diego	0.0000	0.6080	0.6325	<b>0.6548</b>
San Francisco	0.0000	0.6980	0.7398	<b>0.7603</b>
Seattle	0.0000	0.6840	0.7112	<b>0.7215</b>
Toronto	0.0000	0.6810	0.7056	<b>0.7485</b>
Washington,D.C.	0.0000	<b>0.6190</b>	0.4910	0.6108
Weehawken	0.0000	0.6590	0.6588	<b>0.6827</b>

# F-measure vs Running Time



# F-measure vs Running Time by City



# **Case Studies**



## New York City - User 1

**1.0** - " I'm at Fashion's Night Out **NYC** (NYC, New York) w/ 158 others <http://t.co/r2XDXEp> "

**0.99496824** - " I'm at **Brooklyn Bridge** w/ 2 others [pic]: <http://t.co/ry1BAJZo> "

**0.43607074** - " Piece of crap airline! Thanks for losing my bag! @united @UnitedAirlines #united #unitedairlines "

**0.014939007** - "I'm at Sfuzzi (2533 Mckinney Ave, Routh St, **Dallas**) w/ 7 others <http://t.co/BnxbYtSr> "

**0.0078560486** - " I'm at Public House (400 N State St, at Kinzie, **Chicago**) w/ 7 others <http://t.co/q9tiqW2m> "

## New York City - User 2

**0.99559683** - "Beautiful view... good food... great music... romantic husband = perfect evening (@ Le Kaveka Restaurant & Bungalows) <http://t.co/sE4EjSGV> "

**0.99972242** - " A lovely fall brunch with @Accarrino (@ Anthony David's w/ @accarrino) [pic]: <http://t.co/4wzMBut6> "

**0.99978334** - " I'm at **Lincoln Tunnel** (New York City) w/ 3 others <http://t.co/EY5B7SB5> "

**0.49836314** - "I just became the mayor of Hilton Moorea: Toatea Crepes & Bar on @foursquare! <http://t.co/jopZTuuE>"

**0.2133007** - "Beautiful breakfast overlooking the **ocean** (@ Hilton Moorea: Arii Vahine Restaurant) [pic]: <http://t.co/277WG6QF>"

**0.11722157** - "Standing in line to return what we bought last night. Efficiency! **Walmart** is out of cash. Waiting 15 min for refund. <http://t.co/VIXay1dv>"

## **Not New York City - User 3 (Arlington, NY)**

**0.99989402** - "Back in New Yawk Citay (@ Grand Central Terminal w/ 28 others) <http://t.co/2CBNSMtJ>"

**0.99894804** - "Back to Vassar on the 2:45 Metro North... Snow fall was pretty while it lasted (@ Grand Central Terminal) [pic]: <http://t.co/MRE8JqMk>"

**0.50644404** - "@paradisetaylor and I on date night \x98\x8a (@ Regal Columbian Grande Stadium 14 for The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn -...) <http://t.co/54ywGeq9>"

**0.018137755** - "I just ousted @aashim\_91 as the mayor of College Center - Vassar College on @foursquare! <http://t.co/qSljibJA>"

**0.3946189** - "I just became the mayor of Matthew's bean on @foursquare! <http://t.co/jLE2je5g> "

## **San Francisco - User 1**

**0.9999975**- " I'm at Alcatraz (Alcatraz Island, **San Francisco Bay, San Francisco**) w/ 6 others <http://t.co/47YWmX9p> "

**0.9999856** - " I'm at Chinatown Gate (500 Bush St, at Grant Ave, **San Francisco**) <http://t.co/rb49RnFa> "

**0.5055542** - " @matthewharkin @phillo haha, now I'm worried ")

**0.025480814** - " I'm at Tiffany & Co. (210 N Rodeo Dr., **Beverly Hills**) <http://t.co/YppqS7ix> ")

## San Francisco - User 2

**0.99910492** - "Can't wait for @BankSimple, @usbank is such a joke from a **technology** / ease-of-use perspective."

**0.54251802** - "My whole morning **has** been devoted to banking. Not done yet. Living the life."

**0.3358801** - "My whole morning **had** been devoted to banking. Not done yet. Living the life."

## San Francisco - User 3

**0.97942388** - "Engineers love free food! #IDF2011 <http://t.co/rThzEeKO> <http://t.co/oyYqSmYo>"

**0.99747145** - "@hashimwaheed the left one is USB serial into **Mac**, the other is normal **iPhone** USB into **Mac**"

**0.9944582** - "**iOS**5 beta expires today! "limited-edition b7b" redsn0w lets you sync data+ pics: OSX <http://t.co/EbVEGO0t> Win <http://t.co/vC5PK2Eg>"

**0.0067595979** - "@alexheath my host at **Apple** surprised me with that visitor's name tag...I had expected it to be my real name :)"

## **Not San Francisco - User 4 (Arabi,Louisiana)**

**0.16304019** - "Follow the OG triple OG @thad4mayor to ensure that he don't steal ur wallet when he see you in the streets...&lt;&gt;jtfo"

**0.23261635** - "@jbdachamp u show me no luv :("

**0.011714808** - "somethins gotta give"

**0.10918618**- "@Cree\_Oh\_Lay\_CO how ya been?"

**0.00020607341** - "@jbdachamp and u won't lol",

**0.0094076423** - "@jbdachamp I was MIA 4 a min due 2 **technical** issues but now I'm baaaaack lol"

**0.010172283** - "da best part is that the downs dont last always"

**0.20761815** - "I luv fridays :)"

# Conclusion

# **Conclusion**

## **Fast and Scalable**

Easily trained

## **General**

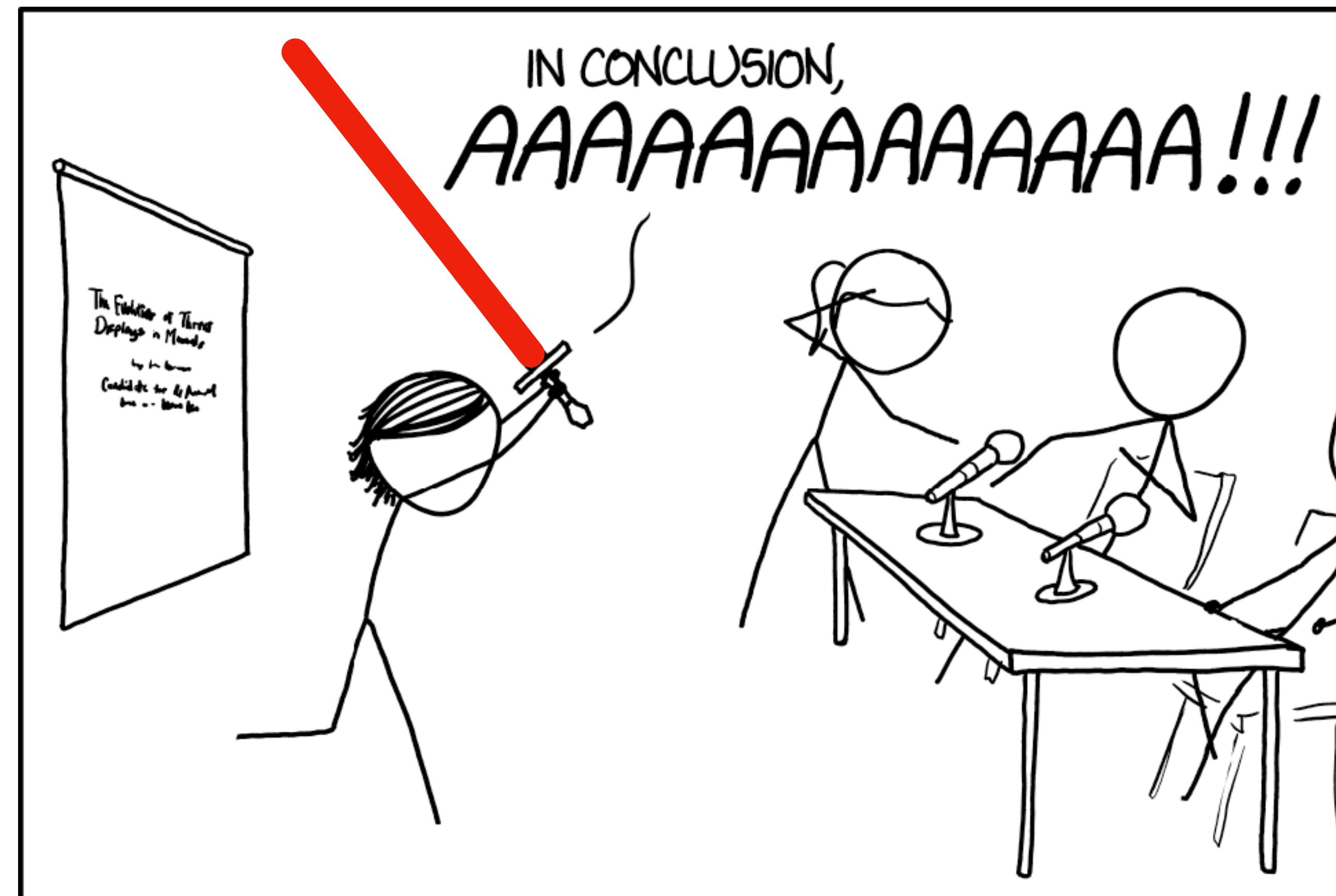
Relaxed assumptions

No more feature engineering/ kernels

## **Capable of high level structure detection**

Not a bag of words model anymore

# Conclusion



THE BEST THESIS DEFENSE IS A GOOD THESIS OFFENSE.

# Future Directions

## TRANSFER LEARNING

Use word vectors that come out of twitter based word vector research

## MULTIPLE CLASSIFICATION

Consider all cities at once

## INSTANCE LEVEL MODELS

CNNs or RNNs to incorporate higher complexity and variable input size

## AGGREGATION FUNCTIONS

eg. Incorporate structure within bags

## OTHER APPLICATIONS

Any MIL setup can benefit from this general formulation eg. Bio-engineering, Vision, Sentiment

# **Questions?**

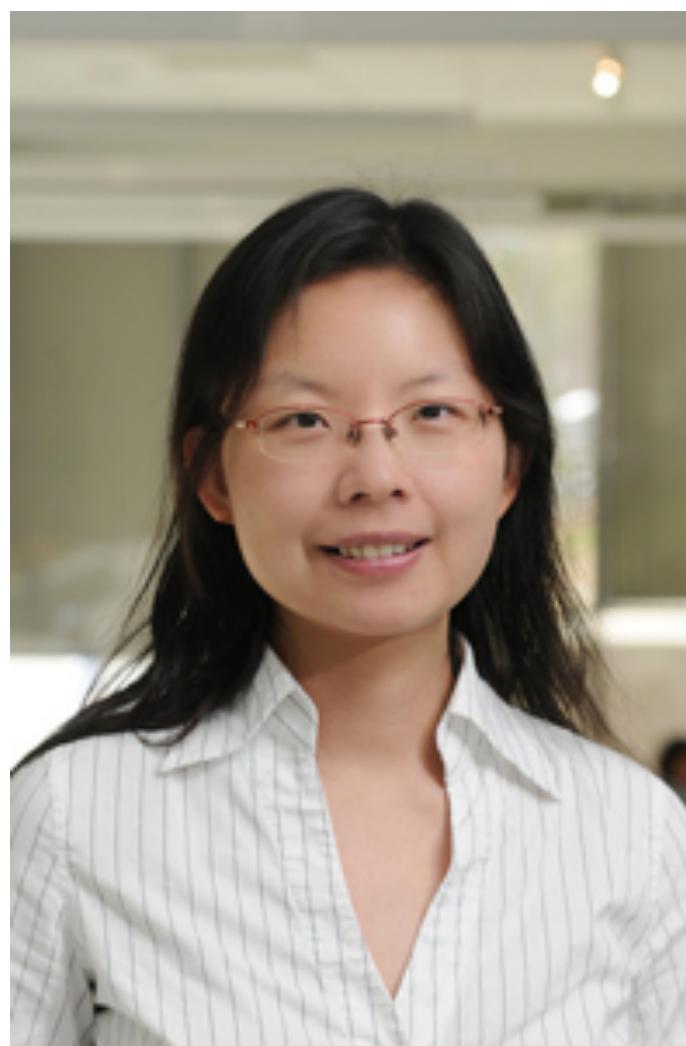
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