



# SISR Using GAN

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- ❖ The method is represented as a deep convolutional neural network (CNN) that takes the low-resolution image as the input and outputs the high-resolution one.
- ❖ SISR problem is inherently ill-posed since a multiplicity of solutions exist for any given low-resolution pixel. In other words, it is an underdetermined inverse problem, of which solution is not unique. Such a problem is typically mitigated by constraining the solution space by strong prior information.
- ❖ Thus, the sparse-coding-based method is one of the representative external example-based SR methods which allow us to build the dictionary having prior information.
- ❖ Sparse coding was the first method developed to solve this problem.

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- ❖ In this paper, they showed that the aforementioned pipeline was equivalent to a deep convolutional neural network. Motivated by this fact, they consider a convolutional neural network that directly learns an end-to-end mapping between low- and high-resolution images.
- ❖ This method differs fundamentally from existing external example-based approaches. This method does not explicitly learn the dictionaries, or manifolds for modeling the patch space. These are implicitly achieved via hidden layers.
- ❖ Benefits of this method:
  - Better Accuracy observed from the result
  - Faster because it is fully feed-forward and does not need to solve any optimization problem on usage.
  - It can also handle larger dataset by adding/defining more deep network.
  - It is also applicable on R,G,B channel parallelly.

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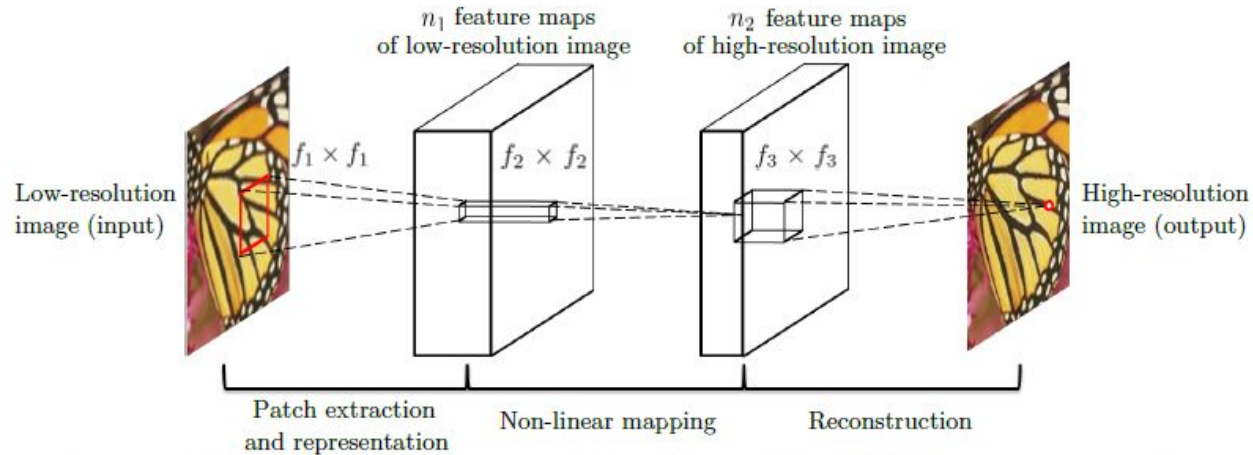


Fig. 2. Given a low-resolution image  $Y$ , the first convolutional layer of the SRCNN extracts a set of feature maps. The second layer maps these feature maps nonlinearly to high-resolution patch representations. The last layer combines the predictions within a spatial neighbourhood to produce the final high-resolution image  $F(Y)$ .

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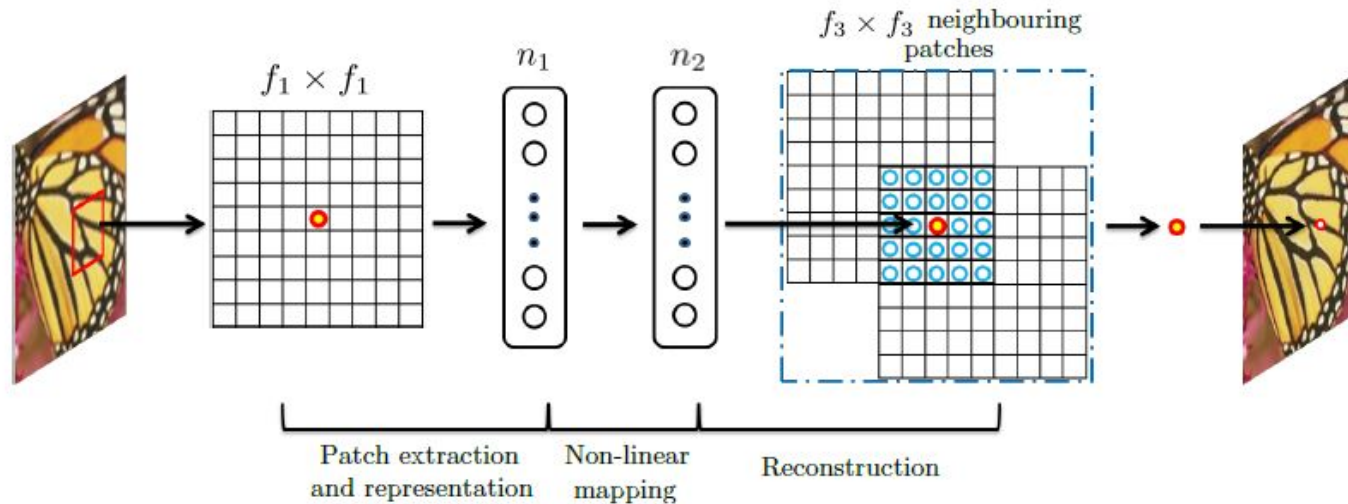


Fig. 3. An illustration of sparse-coding-based methods in the view of a convolutional neural network.

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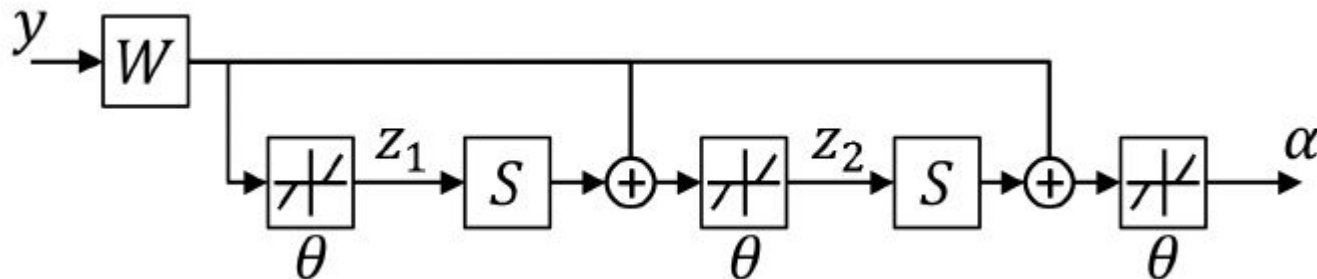
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- **Step 2** : Extract the high resolution patch using high resolution dictionary  $\mathbf{D}_x$  .
  - This is done as follows :  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{D}_x \mathbf{\alpha}$  .
    - $\mathbf{x}$  is generated high resolution patch.

- In **Learning fast approximations of sparse coding**. In **ICML, 2010. 1, 2** K. Gregor and Y. LeCun proposed “A feedforward neural network to efficiently approximate the sparse code  $\alpha$  of the input signal  $y$  as it would be obtained by solving equation (1) in the slides above.”
- The algorithm (which used fully connected NN) is called “**Iterative shrinkage and thresholding algorithm (ISTA)**.”

- This network has finite number of recurrent stages, each of which updates the intermediate sparse code according to 
$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{z}_k), \quad (2)$$

Where  $h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$  is element-wise shrinkage function defined as  $[h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{a})]_i = \text{sign}(a_i)(|a_i| - \theta_i)_+$  and  $\mathbf{W}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}$  are the weights of linear layer of neural network.



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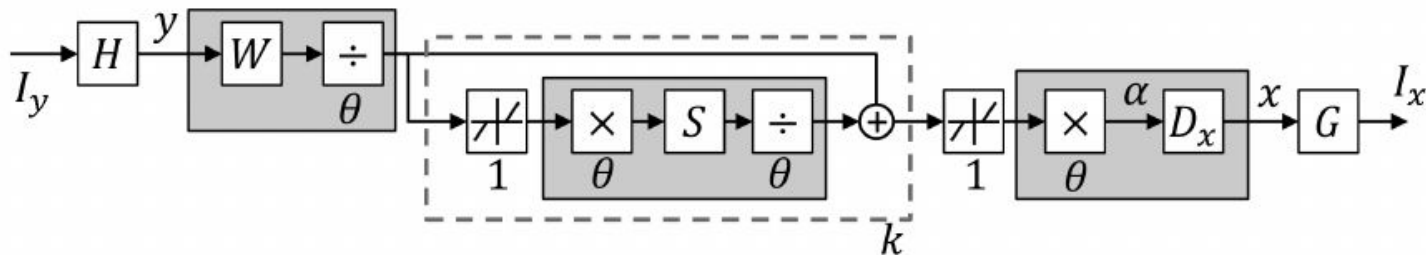
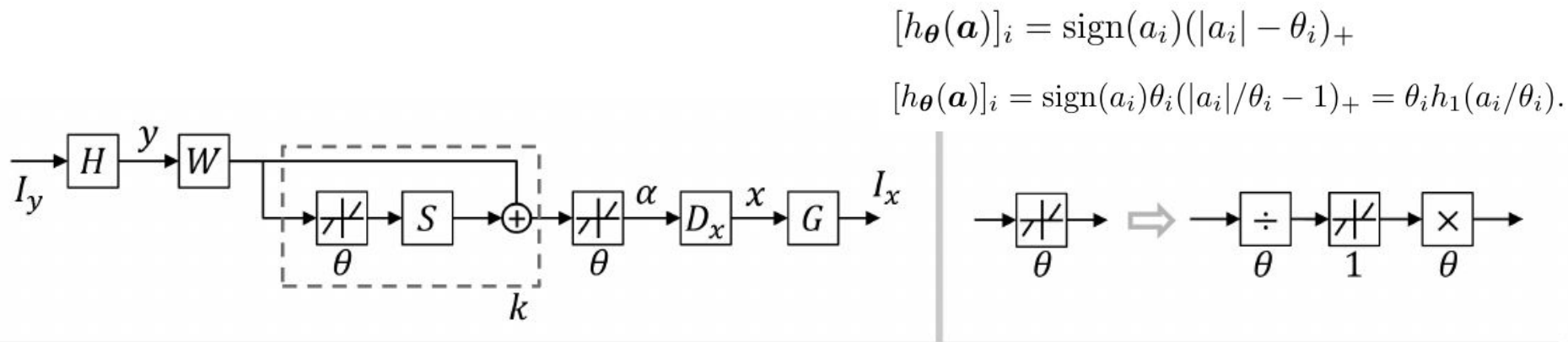
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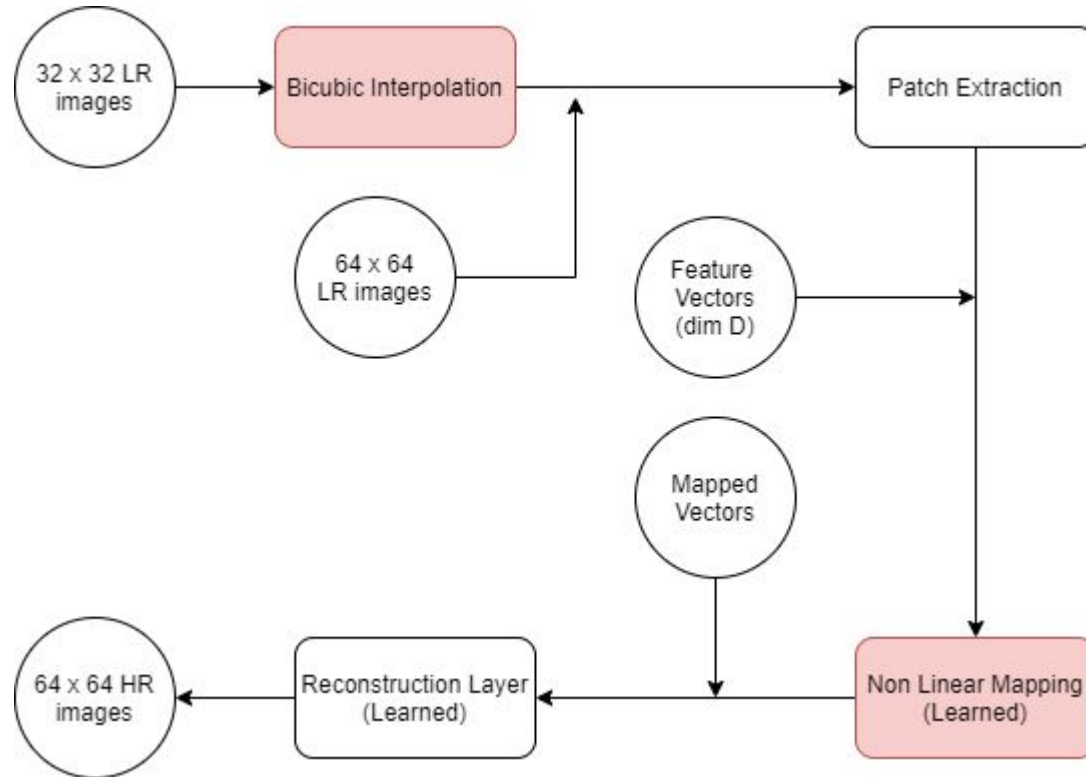
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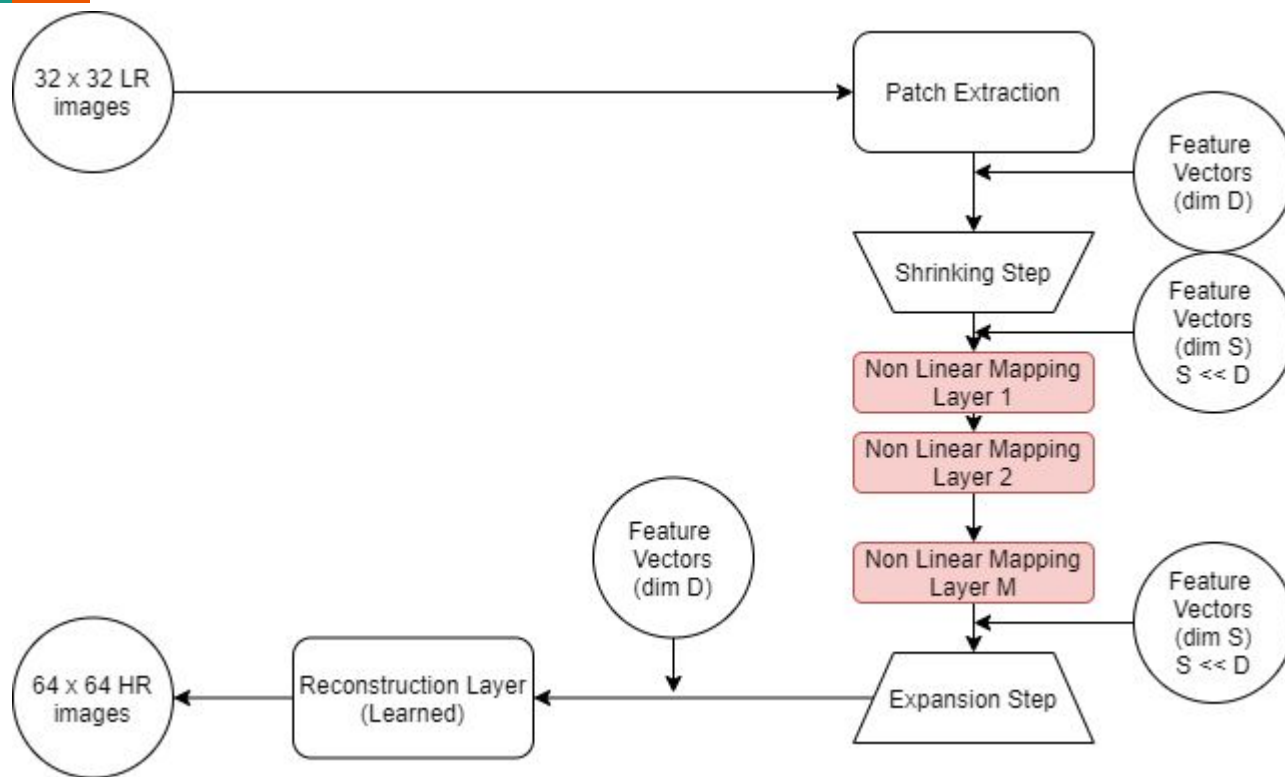
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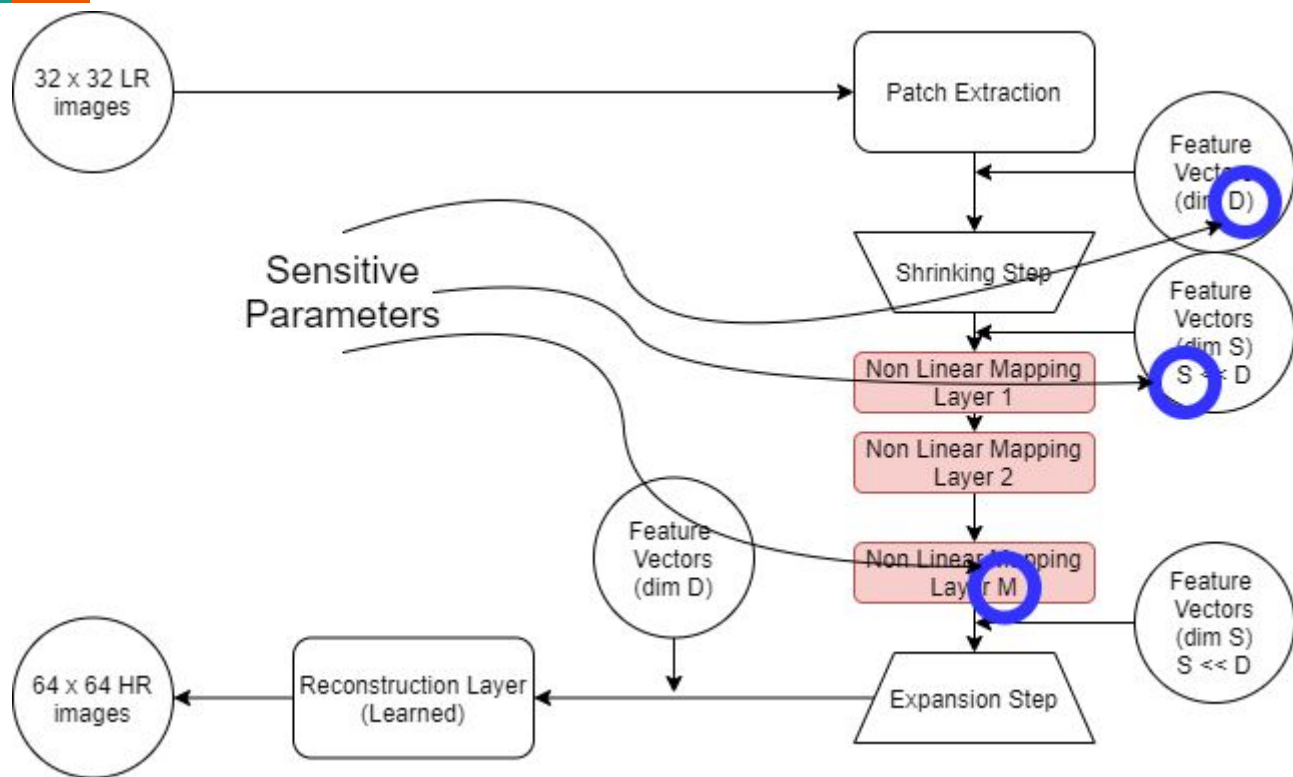
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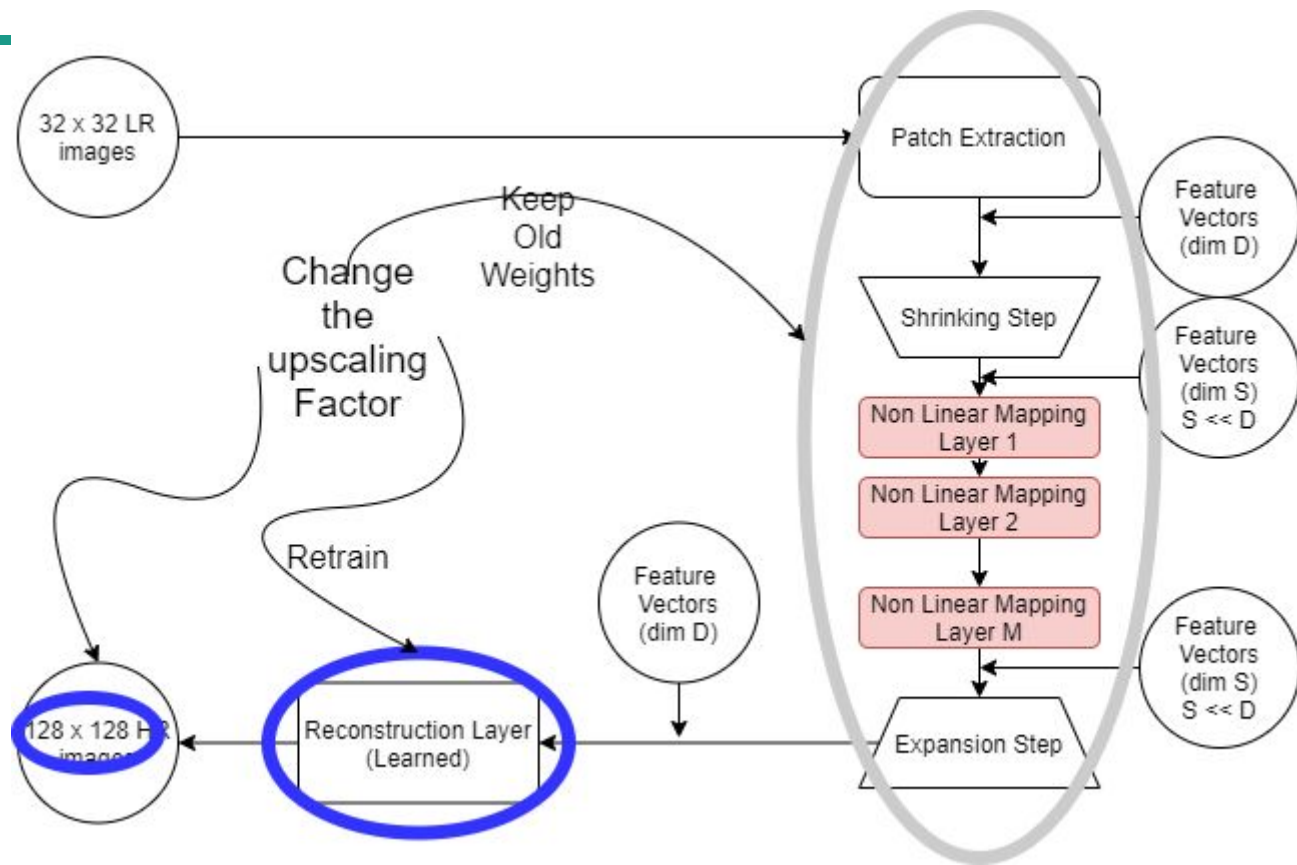
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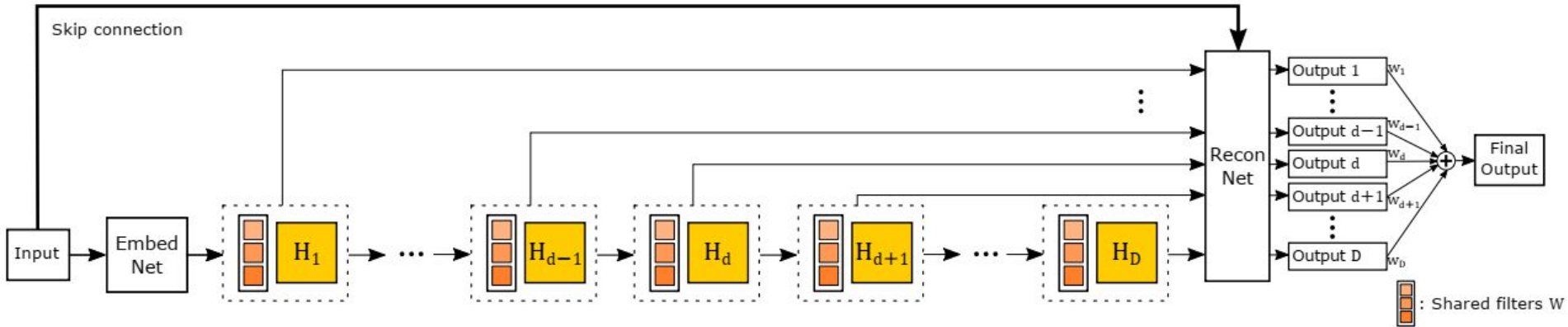
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# Deeply-Recursive Convolutional Network



- The approach is very similar to a traditional convolutional neural network. However, traditional CNN has 2 issues namely, overfitting and large model that is difficult to store and retrieve.
- In a DRCN, we use same convolutional layer multiple times.
- DRCN, however, is difficult to train with SGD methods.
- To ease the training, the paper proposes 2 methods:
  - Recursive Supervision
  - Skip Connections.
- The final loss function is composed of 2 intermediate loss functions and a regression parameter  $\beta$ .
- Unlike the final paper that proposes perceptual loss, the DRCN uses MSE loss.

# Architecture



Embedding Network  $\Rightarrow$  Inference Network  $\Rightarrow$  Reconstruction Network

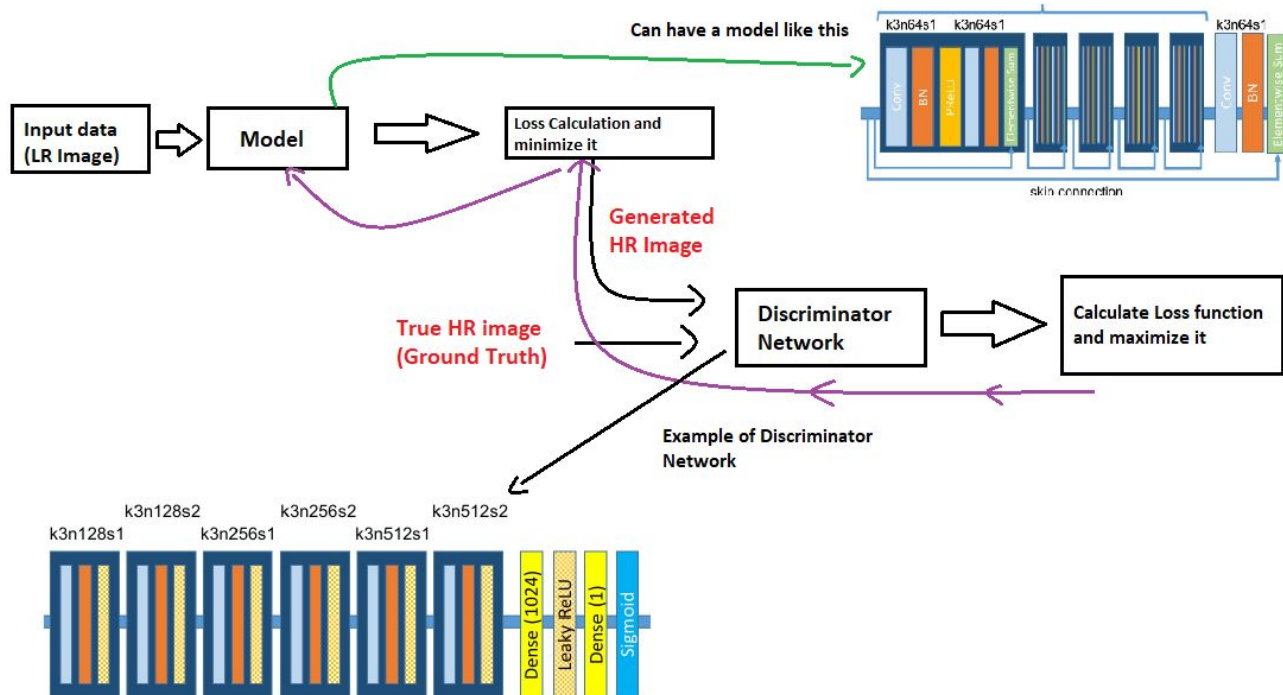
# Mathematical Model



- Let  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  represent embedding network, inference network and reconstruction network recursively. The final prediction can be viewed as function composition  $f(x) = f_3(f_2(f_1(x)))$ .
- The inference layer is applied recursively so, zooming into above model and also applying skip connection, the final model can be viewed as;
- For a given depth of recursion  $d$ , we can have a prediction  $\hat{y}_d = f_3(\mathbf{x}, g^{(d)}(f_1(\mathbf{x})))$
- These predictions can merged with original image  $X$ .
- We can take weighted average of these recursions to get the final outcome. Weights are automatically trained.

$$\hat{y} = \sum_{d=1}^D w_d \cdot \hat{y}_d.$$

# GAN for Super Image Resolution



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