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Using Data Science for Good

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AI for Good Workshop: Outline

- Intro to AI
- AI for Earth: monitoring diversity with iNaturalist
 - Workshop: Azure Notebooks setup
- AI for Accessibility: Seeing AI App
 - Workshop: The AI behind Seeing AI
- AI for Humanitarian Action: Disaster Recovery with AirSim
 - Workshop: Custom Vision and Not Hotdog
- Q & A

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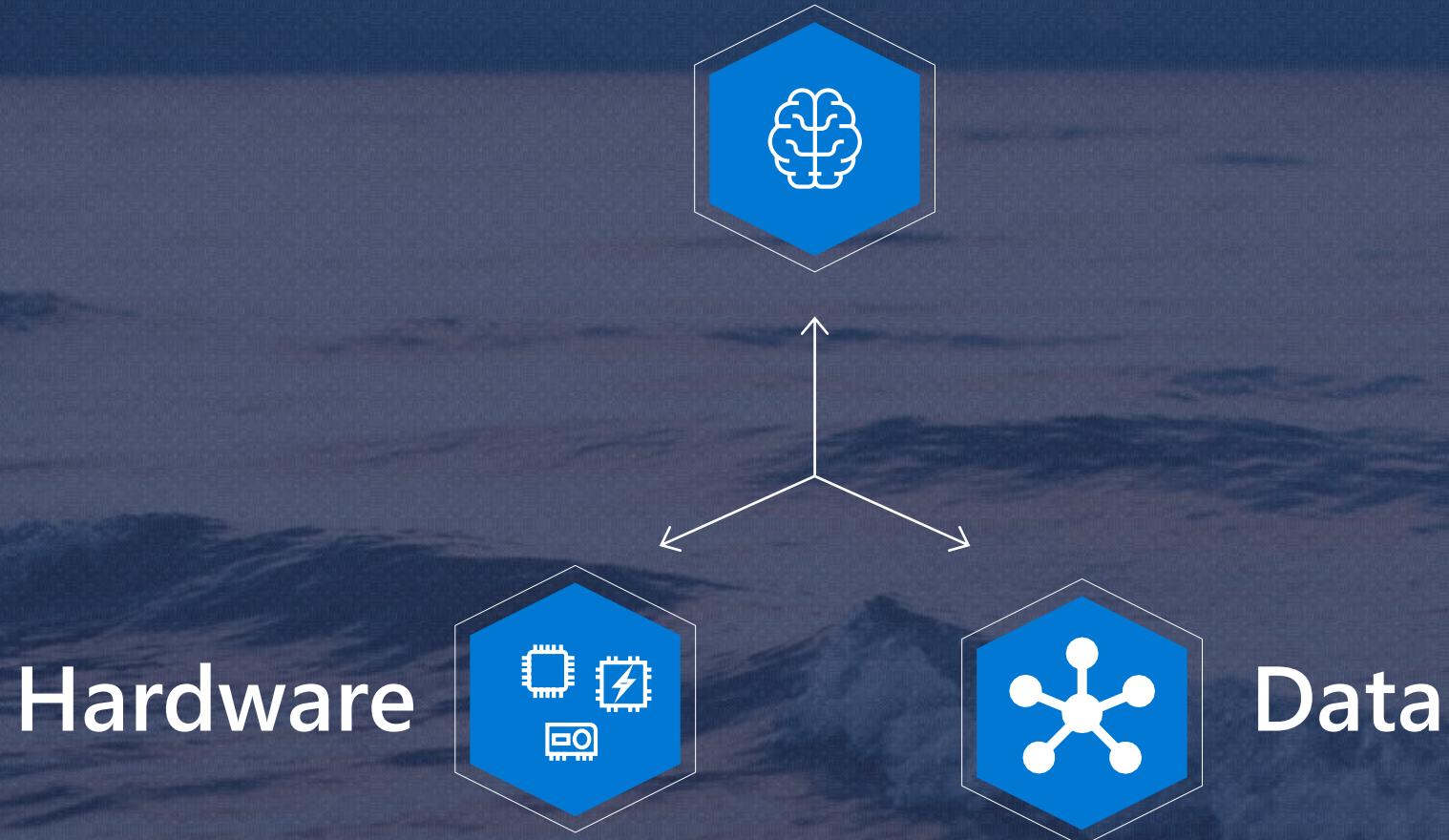
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Data Science

Artificial Intelligence

Algorithms

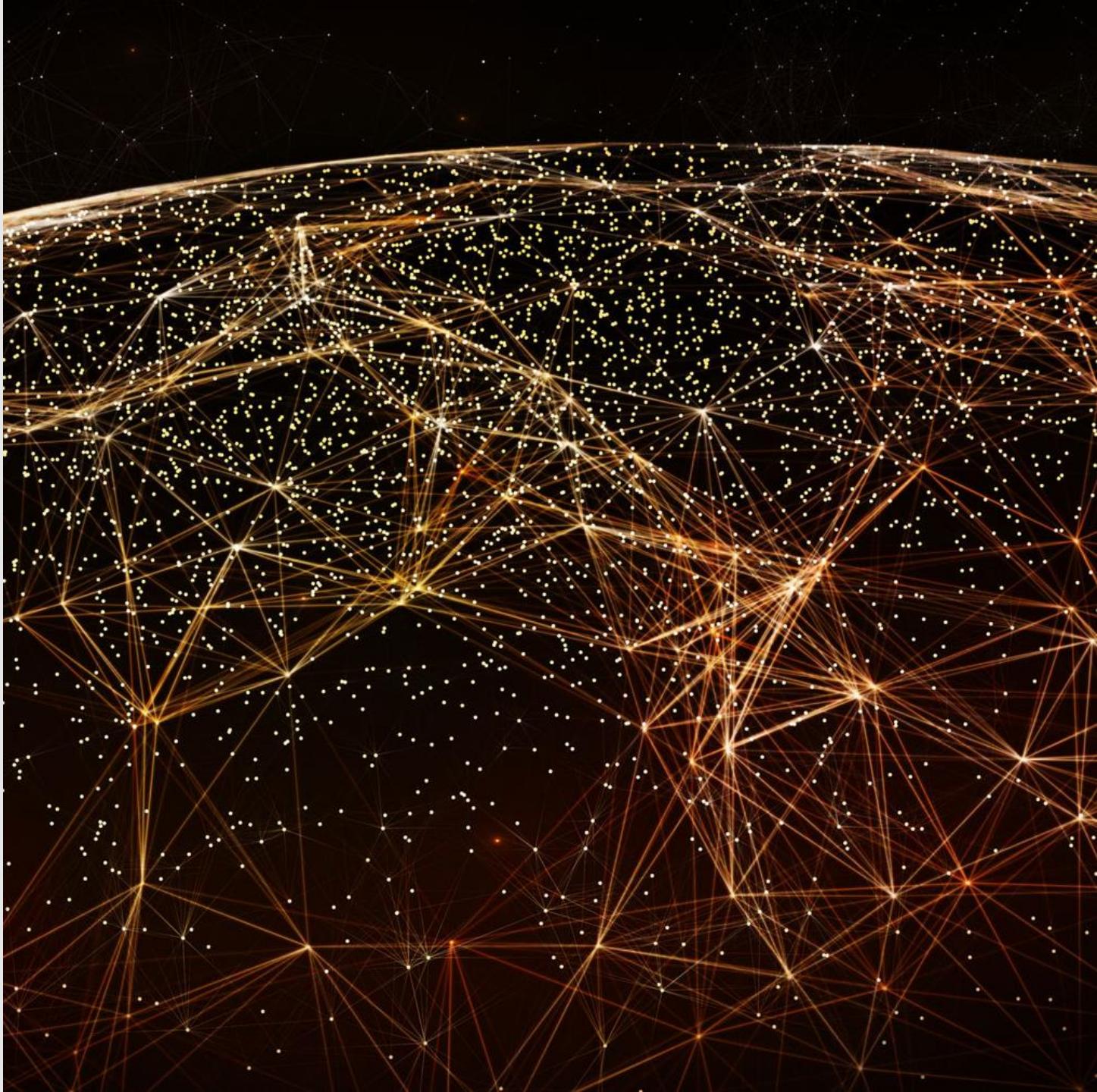


Microsoft's values and principles for AI

 Enable people

 Inclusive

 Ethical



Artificial Intelligence for Good

AI for Good



AI for Earth

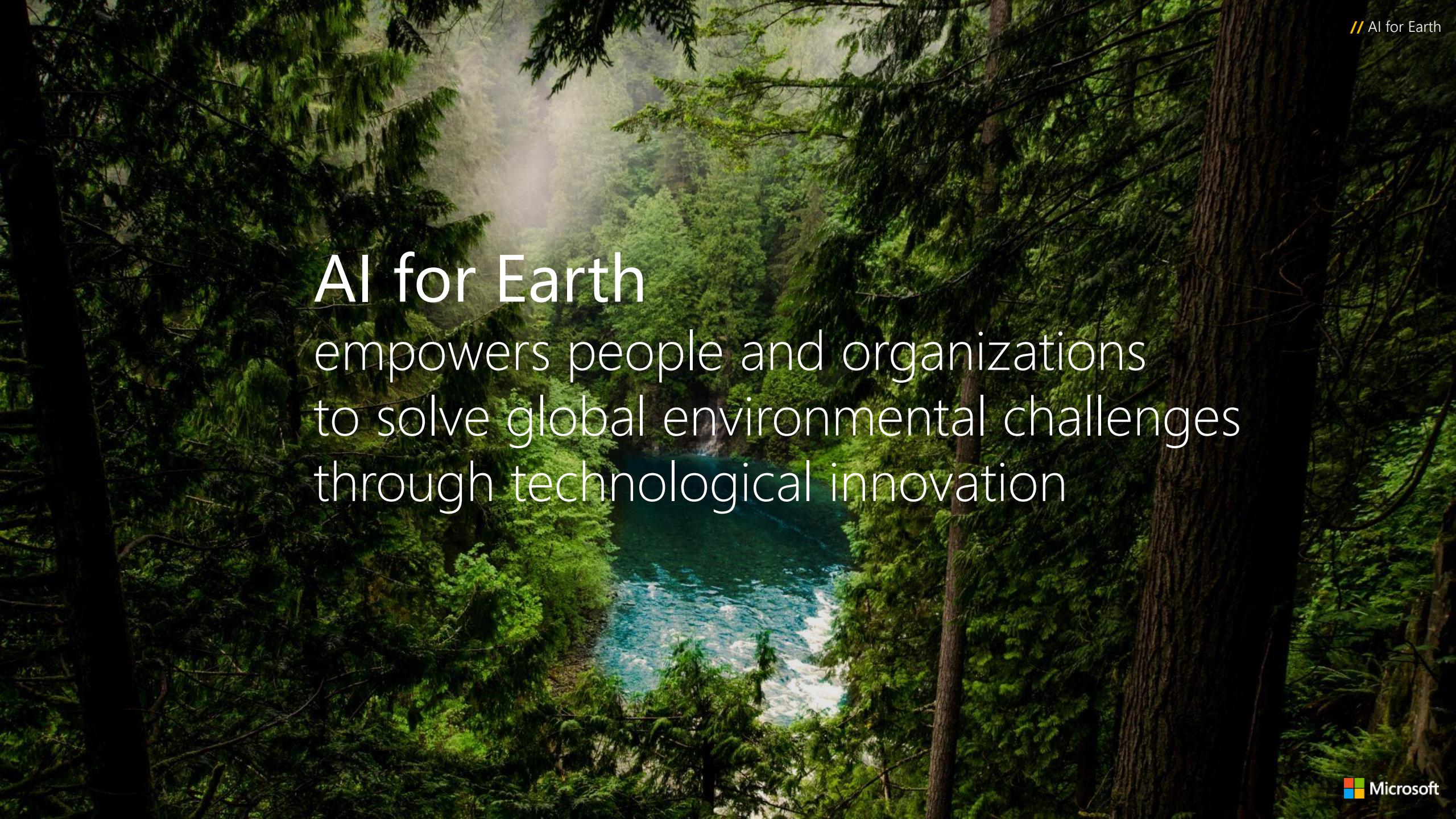
AI for Accessibility

AI for
Humanitarian Action

AI for Earth

Access | Education | Innovation





AI for Earth
empowers people and organizations
to solve global environmental challenges
through technological innovation

Areas of Focus

AI for Earth is focused on four areas that are vital in building a sustainable future:



Agriculture

Feed the growing
world population



Water

Conserve &
protect fresh water
supplies



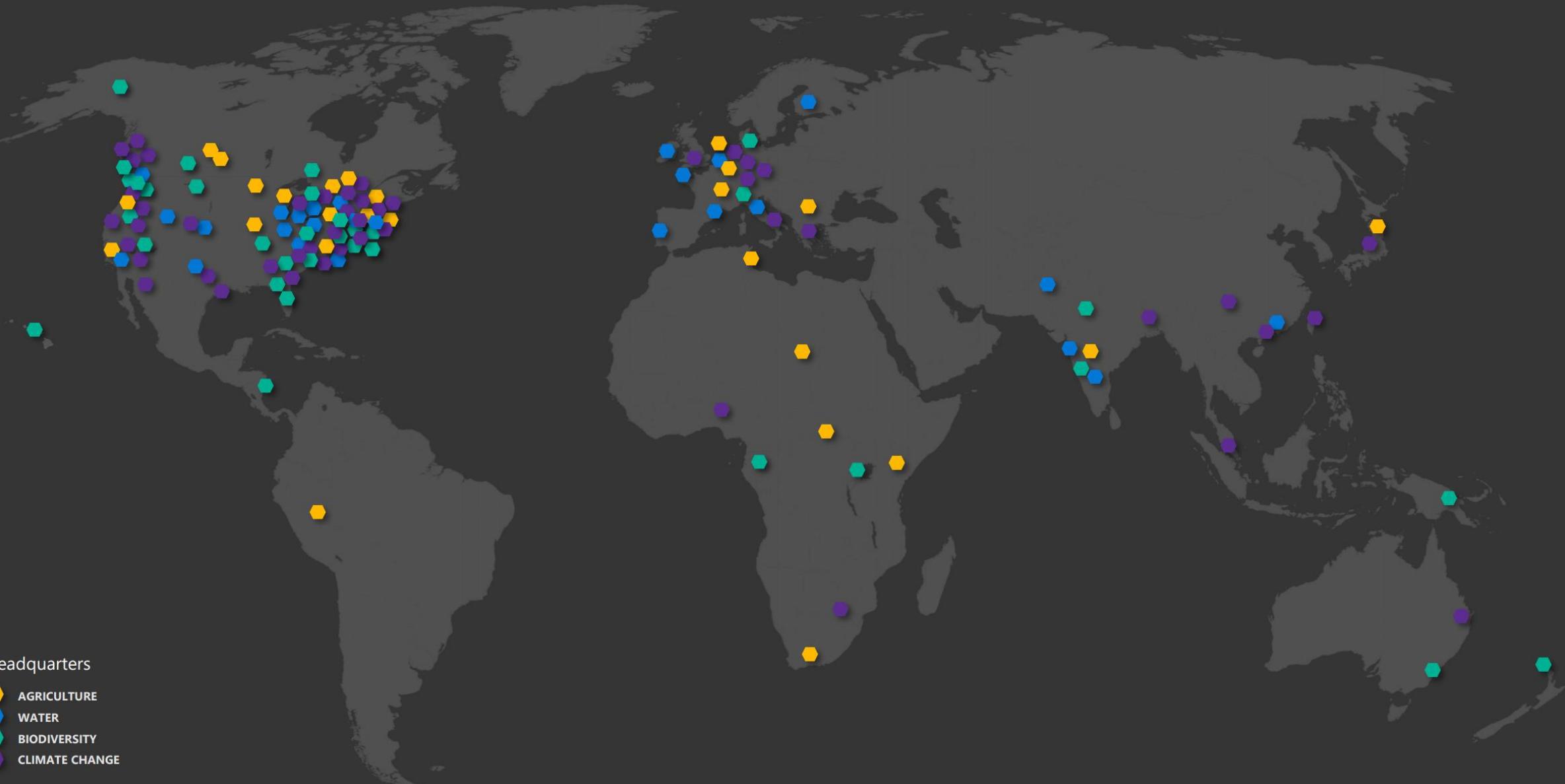
Biodiversity

Monitor & protect
species from going
extinct



Climate
Change

Reduce climate change
impact on communities



Biodiversity Monitoring: iNaturalist



is an online community of citizen scientists
recording data on the distribution of Earth's
biodiversity

>500k

Online registered users

>6M

Observations recorded

>120k

Distinct species observed





Stats

Restricted to current map area



Magpie-lark



House Sparr...



Feral Pigeon



Little Black...



eucalyptus



Silver Gull



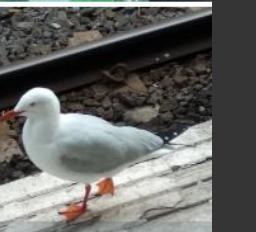
Feral Pigeon



House Sparr...



Golden Poth...



Explore



Activity



Observe

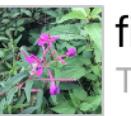


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fireweed

TN8, Edenbridge, England,...

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Midland Hawthorn

TN8, Edenbridge, England,...

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Grey Barn Hill Hoath Road,...

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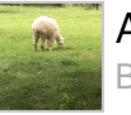


common bracken

TN8, Edenbridge, England,...

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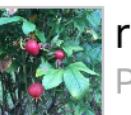
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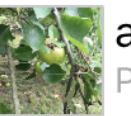
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rugosa rose

Private Road, Edenbridge,...

1mo



apple

Private Road, Edenbridge,...

1mo



Sweet Chestnut

1mo



Explore



Activity



Observe



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More

Biodiversity Monitoring

Using AI-powered computer vision to automatically identify species in wildlife monitoring images, iNaturalist empowers citizen scientists to collect data that will improve precision decision-making and local conservation interventions.

Challenge

Without action, 38% of all species will go extinct by the end of this century. To coordinate and implement conservation action, decision makers need information on where and when species occur, and how these distributions are changing. Current monitoring data face a bottleneck in identifying the species pictured – since only trained experts can do so.

Solution

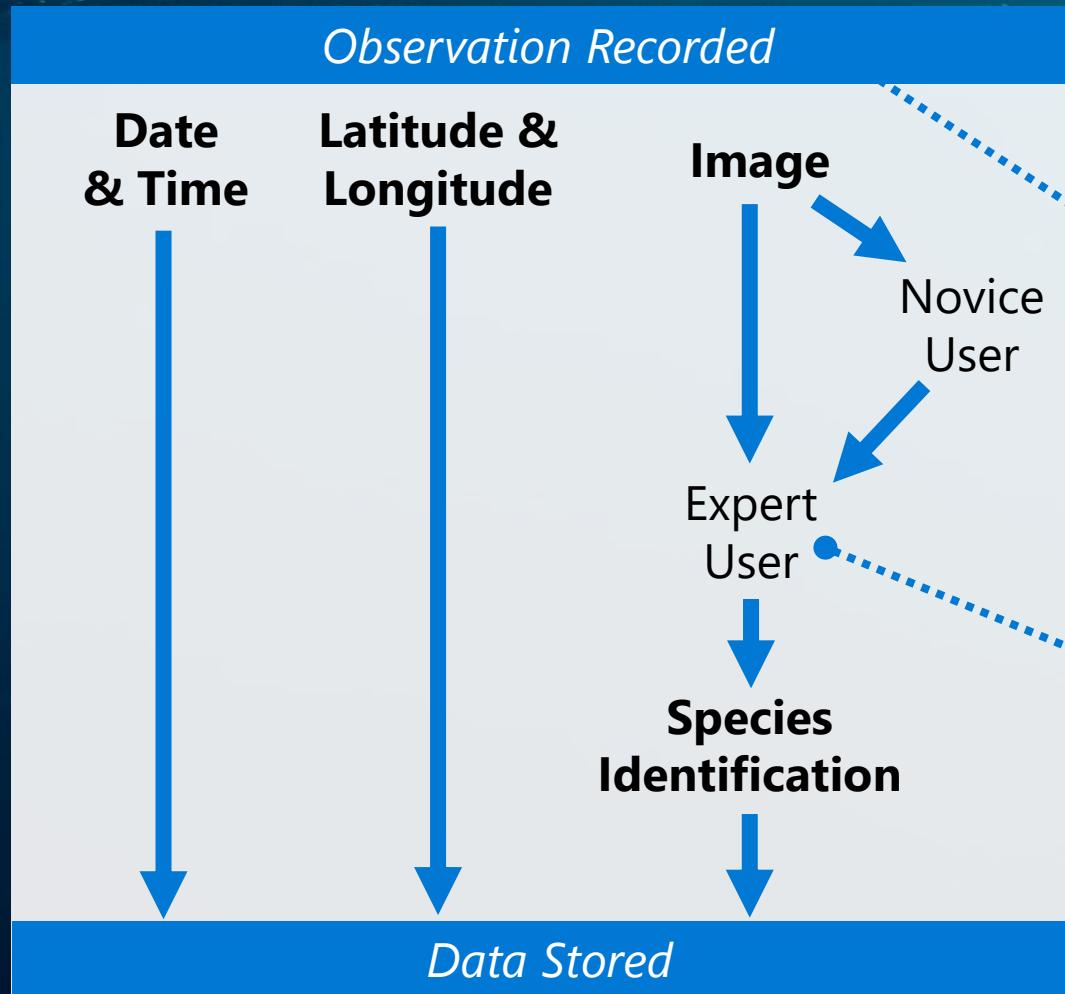
Using Microsoft technology, iNaturalist will identify 100k species offline with >90% accuracy by 2020 and analyze how these species distributions are responding in real time to environmental changes.



Microsoft

iNaturalist.org

How iNaturalist Used to Work

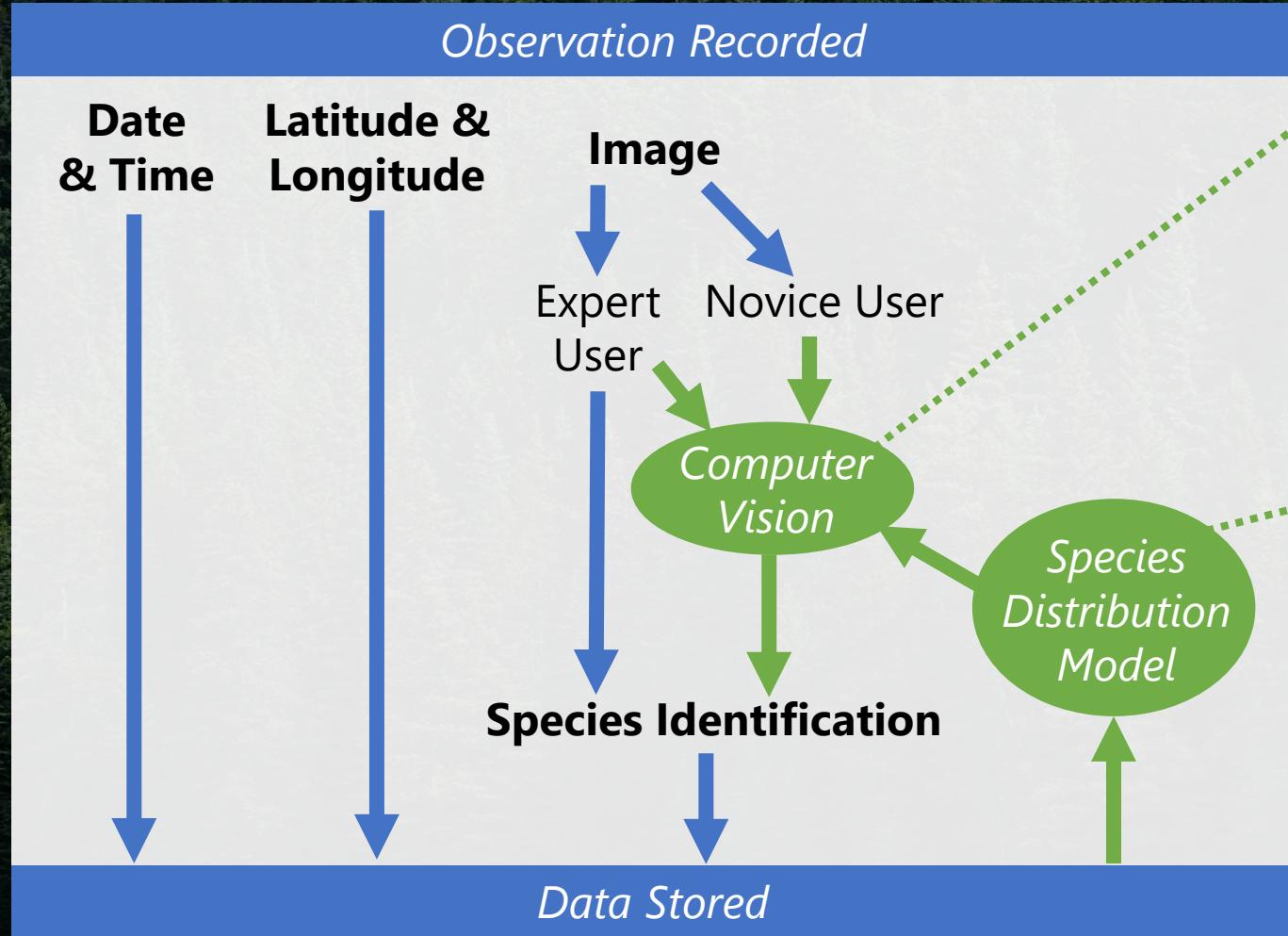


With the iNaturalist app on their mobile phones, users record observations of organisms by taking a geo & time-tagged photo.

Users are responsible for identifying species. ID by novice users need expert verification. This created a **bottleneck** of images awaiting species ID by experts.



Microsoft AI Augmented System



Computer vision models (MSFT Custom Vision and Cognitive Toolkit) are trained to ID species from images.

This lets anyone instantly and accurately ID species.



Data stored is used for **species distribution model** (MSFT R Server, Data Science Virtual Machine) which predicts where species are located at given time.

This can also increase the prediction accuracy of computer vision model by taking into account location of recorded observation.

Details



1st



Grey Heron

Ardea cinerea

Notes



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Lat: 59.2654067 Lon: 17.91557766 Acc. 7



Location is Open



It is captive or cultivated



Add to project(s)

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Species Search

We're pretty sure it's in this genus:



Great Herons

Genus Ardea



Grey Heron

Ardea cinerea

Visually Similar / Seen Nearby



Great Blue Heron

Ardea herodias

Visually Similar



Cocoï Heron

Ardea cocoi

Visually Similar



Great Egret

Ardea alba

Visually Similar



Grey Heron



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Compare

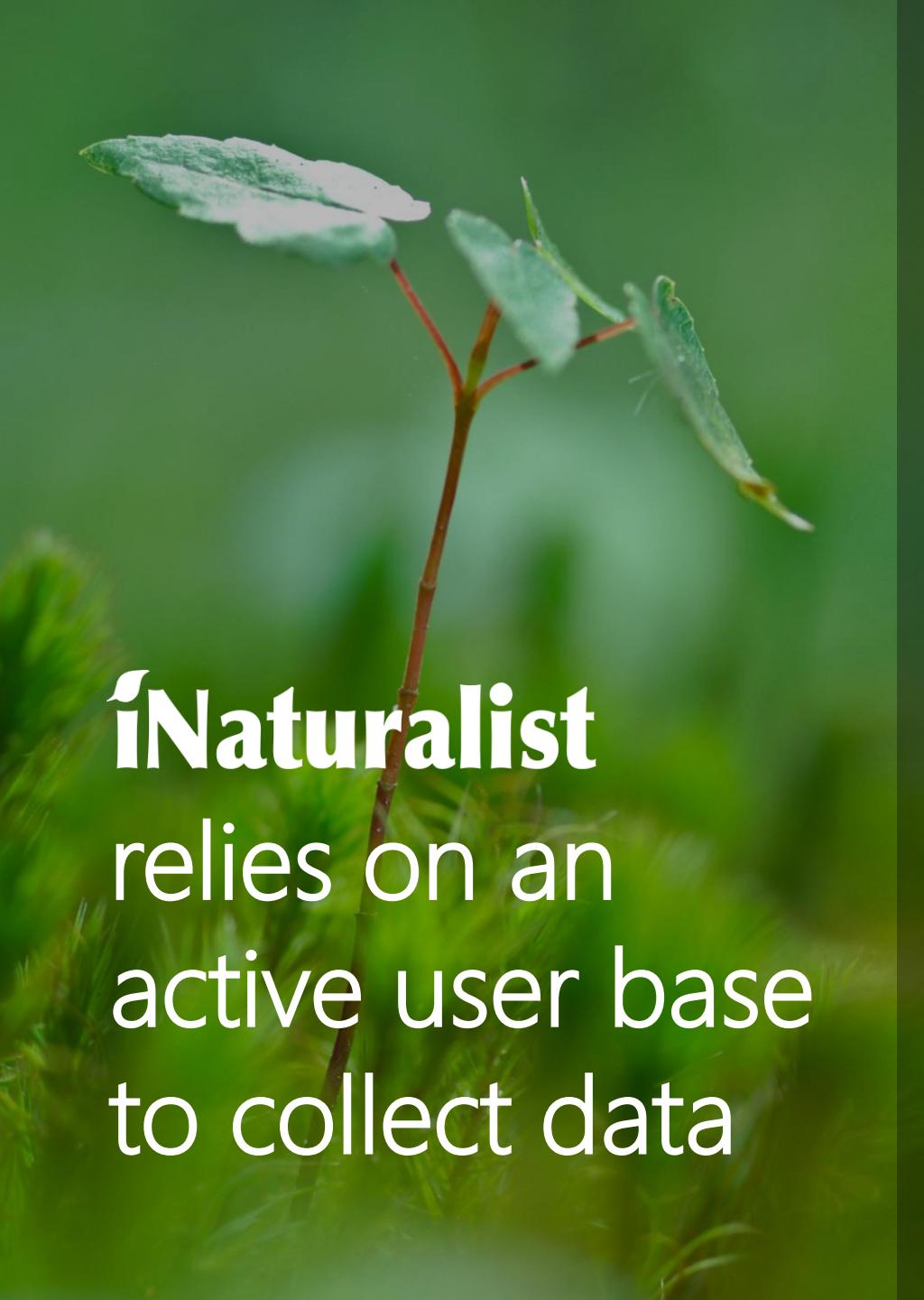
Select

Grey Heron

Ardea cinerea

Map of Observations





iNaturalist
relies on an
active user base
to collect data

Help grow and engage iNaturalist's user base by:



Providing users an instant and accurate species ID through computer vision, which makes recording observations more educational and rewarding.

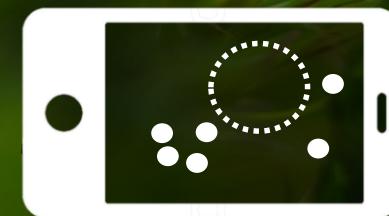


Giving users helpful location information through species distribution model. Users can identify:

*Locations where
users can see
species of interest*



*Data-poor areas where
increased data collection
is needed to help scientists*



Workshop Setup



Microsoft Azure Notebooks Preview

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Cloned from <https://github.com/revodavid/AiforGoodWorkshop>

notebooks.azure.com/davidsmi/libraries/aiforgood
(sign in and clone notebook)

Need an Azure account?

Visit: cda.ms/kT

\$200 credits for new users



AI for Accessibility

Inclusion through intelligent technology

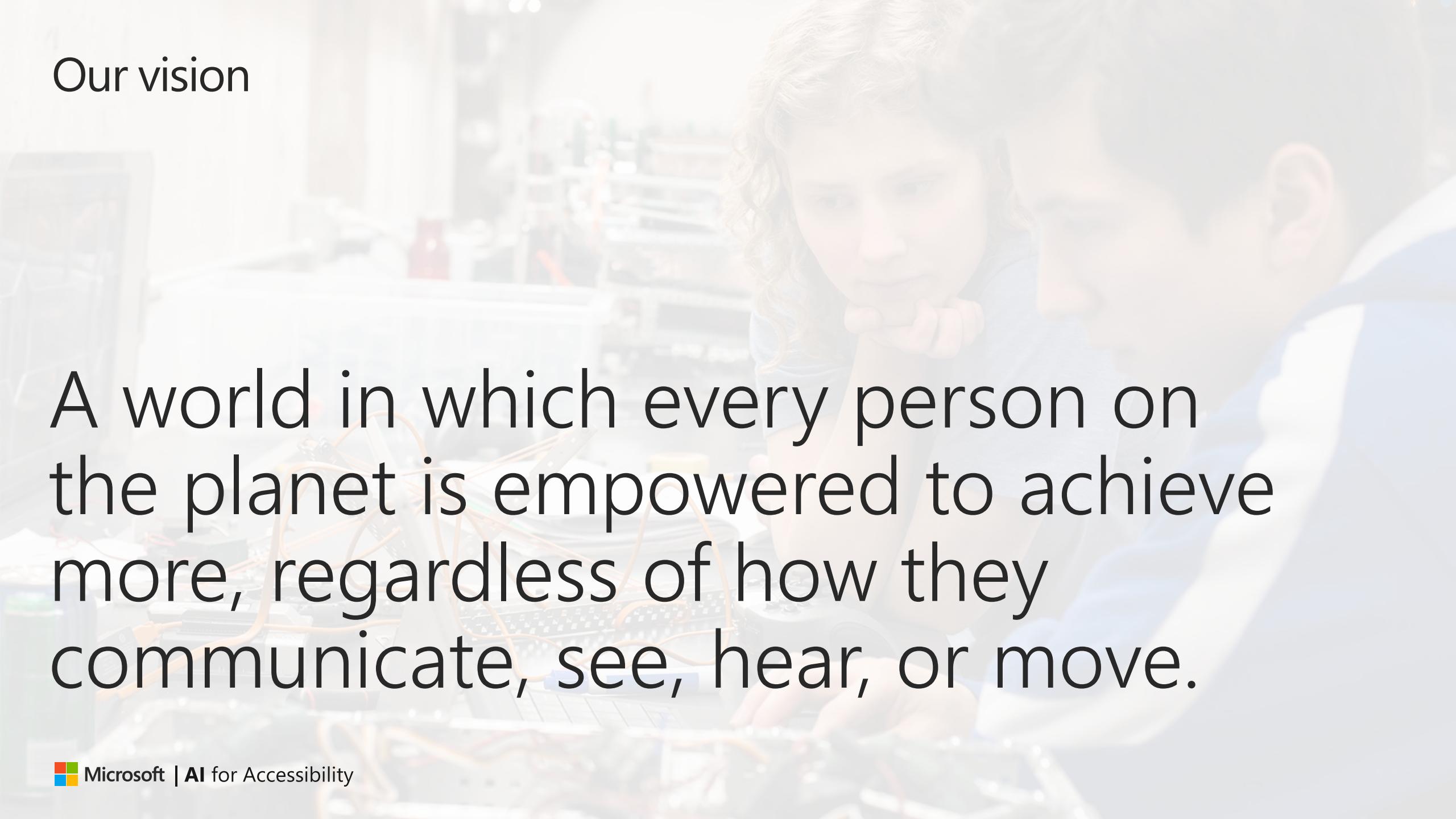


Microsoft AI for Accessibility



Empowering people with disabilities
with tools that support independence,
inclusion, and productivity.

Our vision

A woman with curly hair is shown from the chest up, wearing a dark hoodie. She is looking down at a computer keyboard that has numerous orange and grey wires and components attached to it, suggesting a custom build or repair. The background is slightly blurred.

A world in which every person on the planet is empowered to achieve more, regardless of how they communicate, see, hear, or move.

A photograph of two women in a modern office environment. One woman, wearing glasses and a dark jacket, is holding a tablet and pointing at it while speaking. The other woman, with her hair in a bun, is listening attentively. They are surrounded by office furniture like desks and chairs, and there's a potted plant in the background.

Accessible technology has the potential
to drive innovation with more intuitive
and personal experiences.

AI in action

AI is already being used today to deliver meaningful and contextually relevant experiences.

Accessibility: Seeing AI & Translator

Connecting people to their environment and to each other



Seeing AI

Turning the visual world
into an audible experience

Designed for the blind and low vision community, this research project harnesses the power of AI to describe people, text, and objects.

Demonstrates the practical value of computer vision.

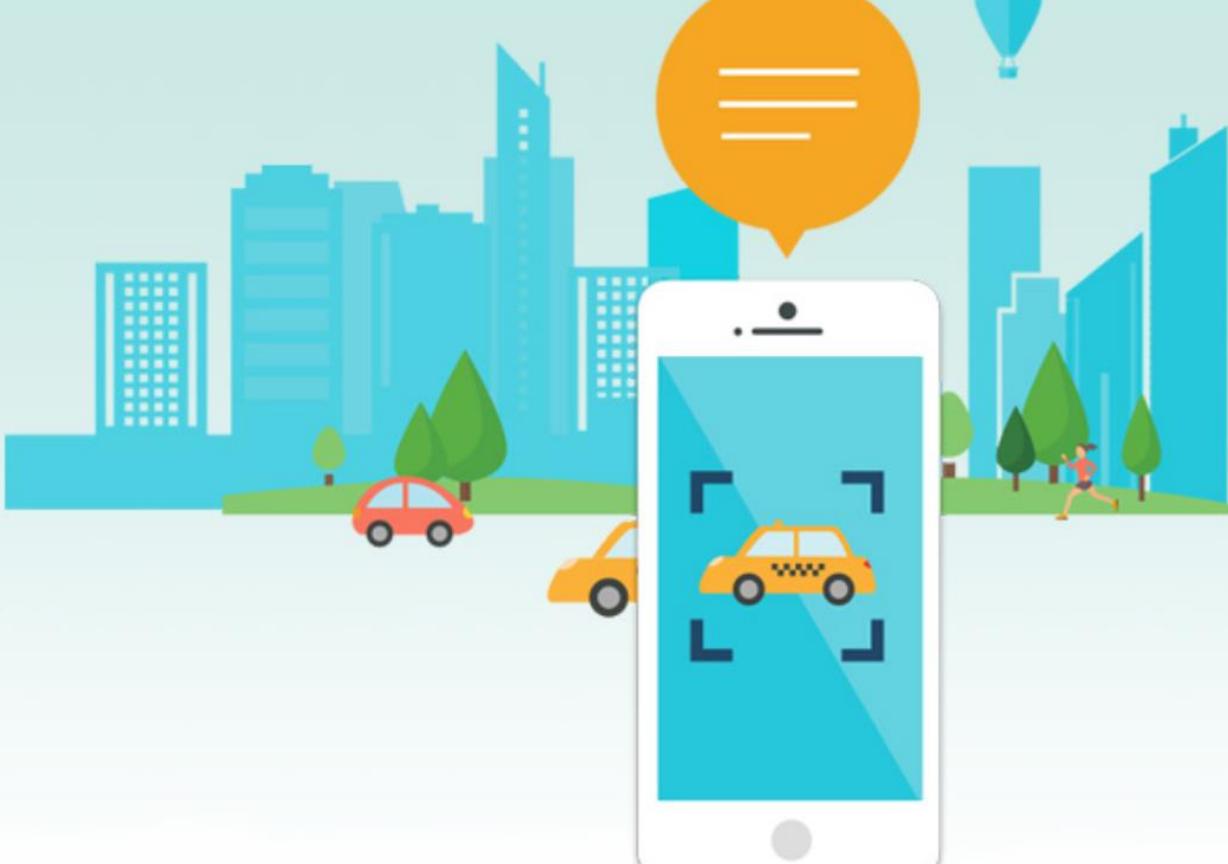


Seeing AI

A free app that narrates the world around you. Designed for the low vision community, this research project harnesses the power of AI to describe people, text and objects

[DOWNLOAD FOR IOS >](#)

[WATCH VIDEO >](#)



Short Text

Speaks text as soon as it appears in front of the camera



Documents

Provides audio guidance to capture a printed page, and recognizes the text, along with its original formatting



Products

Gives audio beeps to help locate barcodes and then scans them to identify products



Person

Recognizes friends and describes people around you, including their emotions



Scene

An experimental feature to describe the scene around you



Currency

Identify currency bills when paying with cash.
(Coming soon)

The AI behind Seeing AI



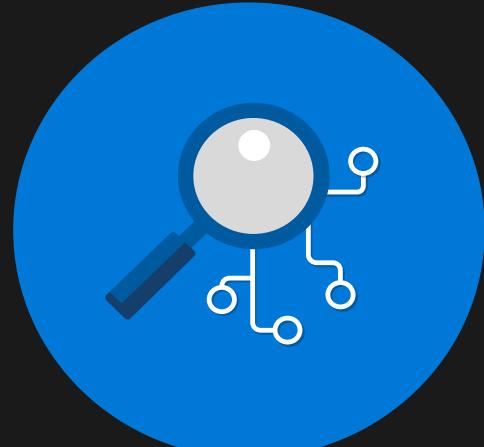
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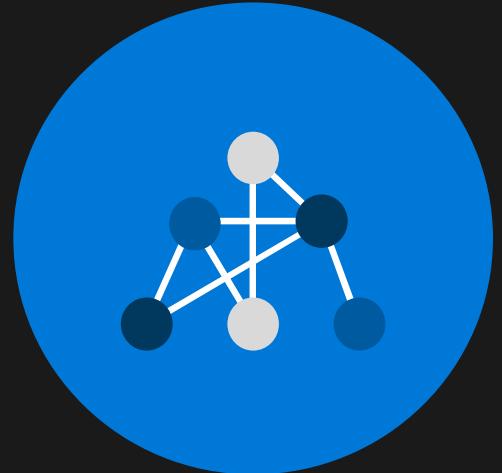
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Microsoft Cognitive Services

Give your apps a human side



Speech

Speak to and hear your users, filtering environmental noise.
Use with **Language** for max results



Vision

From objects to faces and feelings, enable your apps to analyze still images and video



Language

Analyze text to extract user feeling and intent.
Extract knowledge from existing sources and make it easily accessible to users
Translate between 60+ languages and growing



Search

Access billions of web pages, images, videos, and news with the power of Bing

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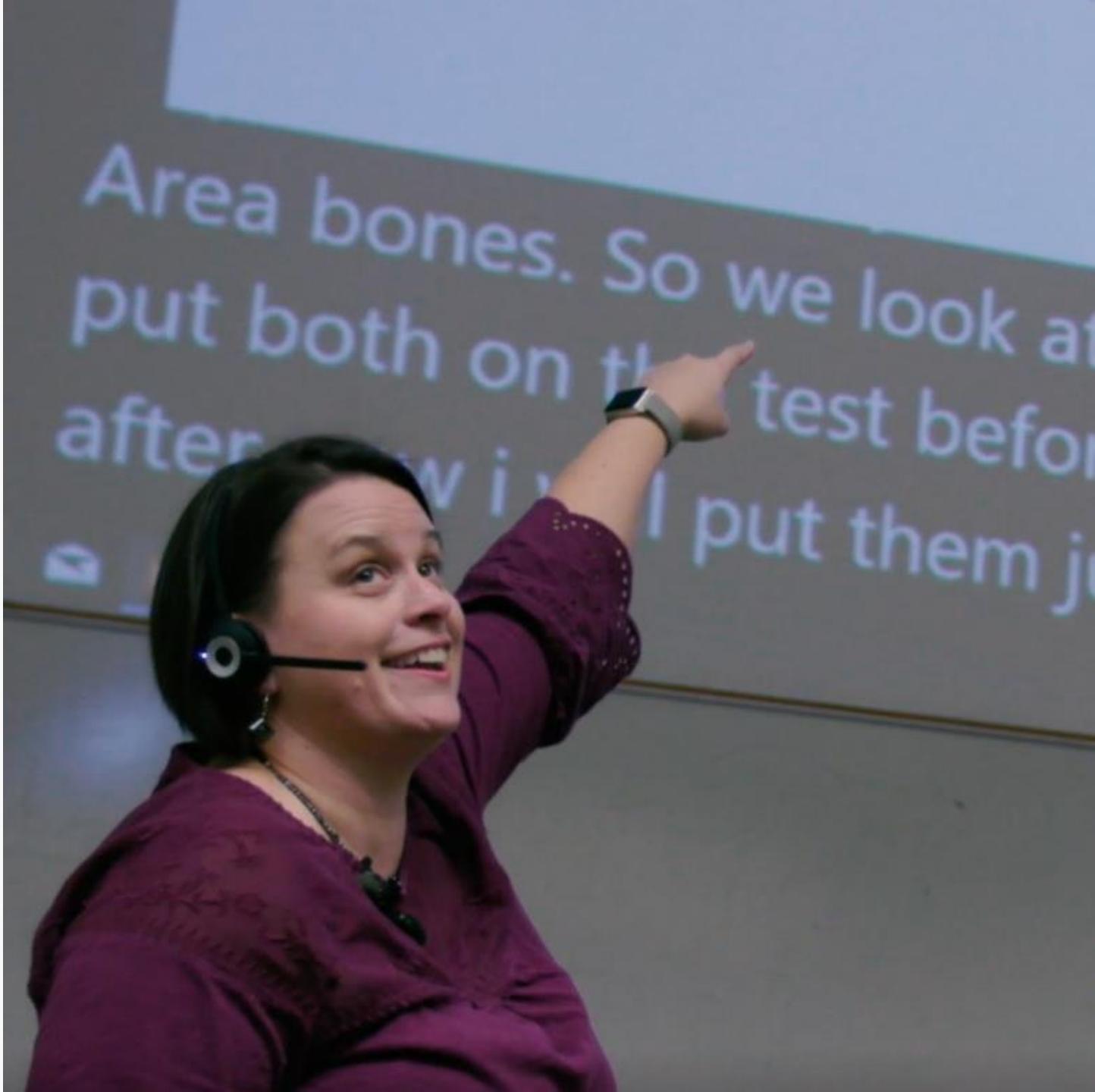
1. The AI behind Seeing AI.ipynb
2. Computer Vision API with R.ipynb

Microsoft Translator

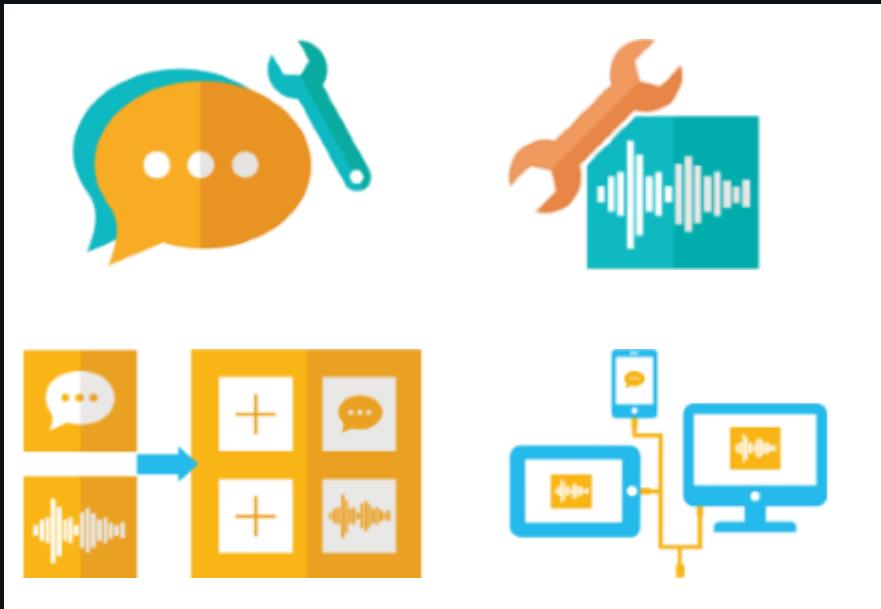
Breaking the language barrier
at home, at work, anywhere.

Translated conversations
across devices, for
one-on-one chats and for
larger group interactions.

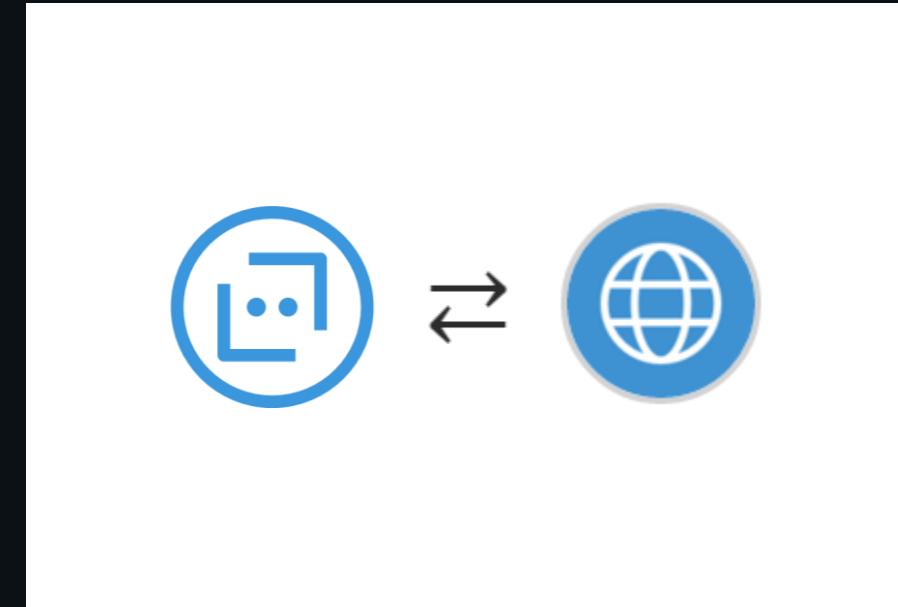
Designed for one audience,
built for many.



Microsoft translator and custom speech



Custom Speech Model



Microsoft Translator

Microsoft Build

May 7-9, 2018 // Seattle, WA



Presentation Translator demo: deaf voice adapted English- Chinese real-time speech translation

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Assistant Professor, Information & Computing Studies
Rochester Institute of Technology
National Technical Institute for the Deaf
www.ntid.rit.edu



We collaborated with Microsoft and started using presentation translator last September.

www.translate.it/JQPXD

Mute ...

Harry

Yes.

We've just seen exciting results in the video.

Brian

One half.

and the very, well, we focused on non deaf

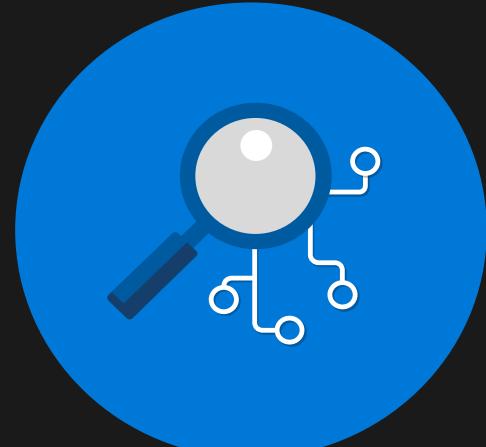
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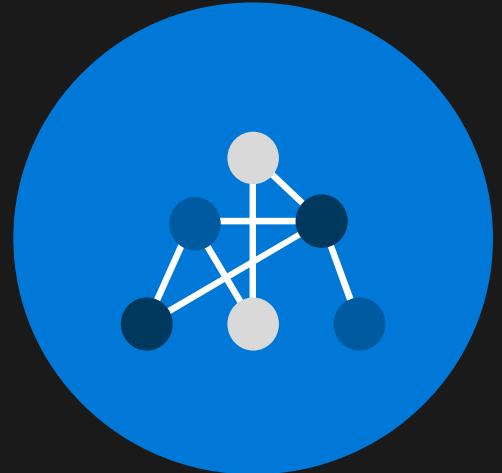
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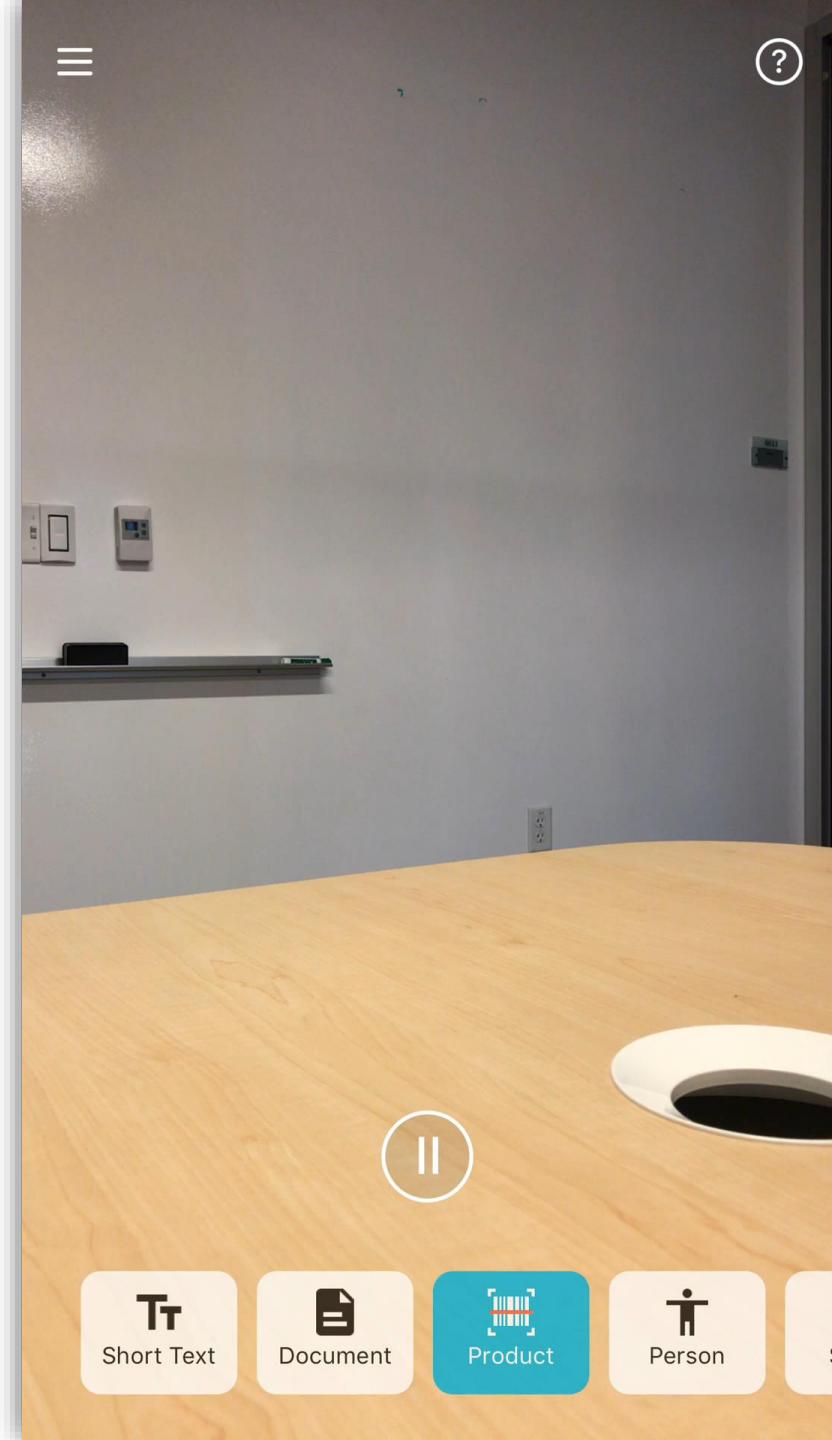


Barcode recognition from Seeing AI

Aim : Help blind users identify products using barcode

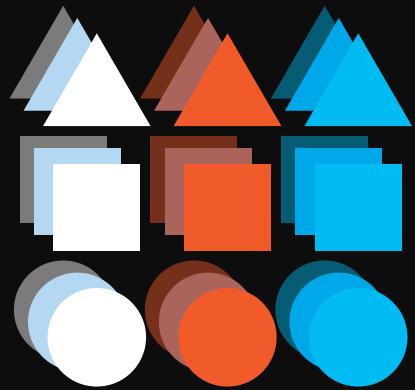
Issue : Blind users don't know where the barcode is

Live	Guide user in finding a barcode with audio cues
With Server	Decode barcode to identify product
Tech	MPSCNN running on coreML + barcode library
Metrics	40 FPS (~25 ms) on iPhone 7

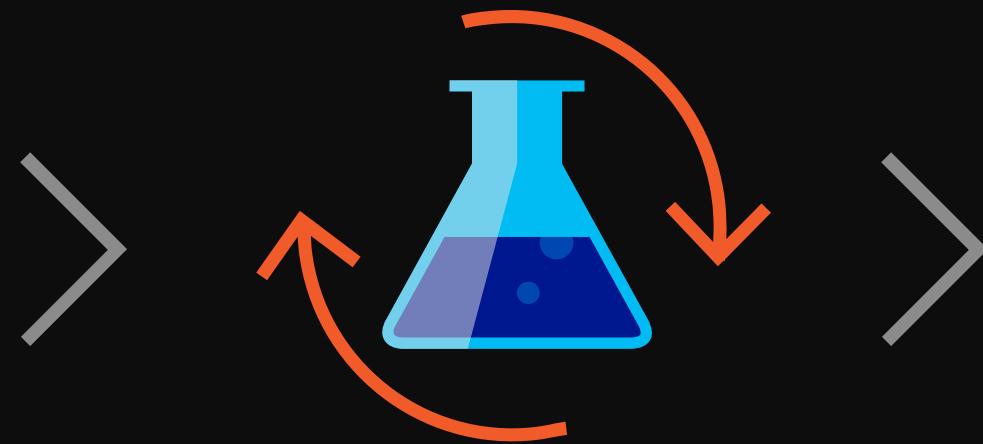


Bespoke AI

Building your own AI models for Transforming Data into Intelligence



Prepare Data



Build & Train



Deploy

Building and Train your own AI models



Azure Machine Learning

Broad frameworks and tools support:

→ TensorFlow, Cognitive Toolkit, Caffe2, Keras, MxNET, PyTorch

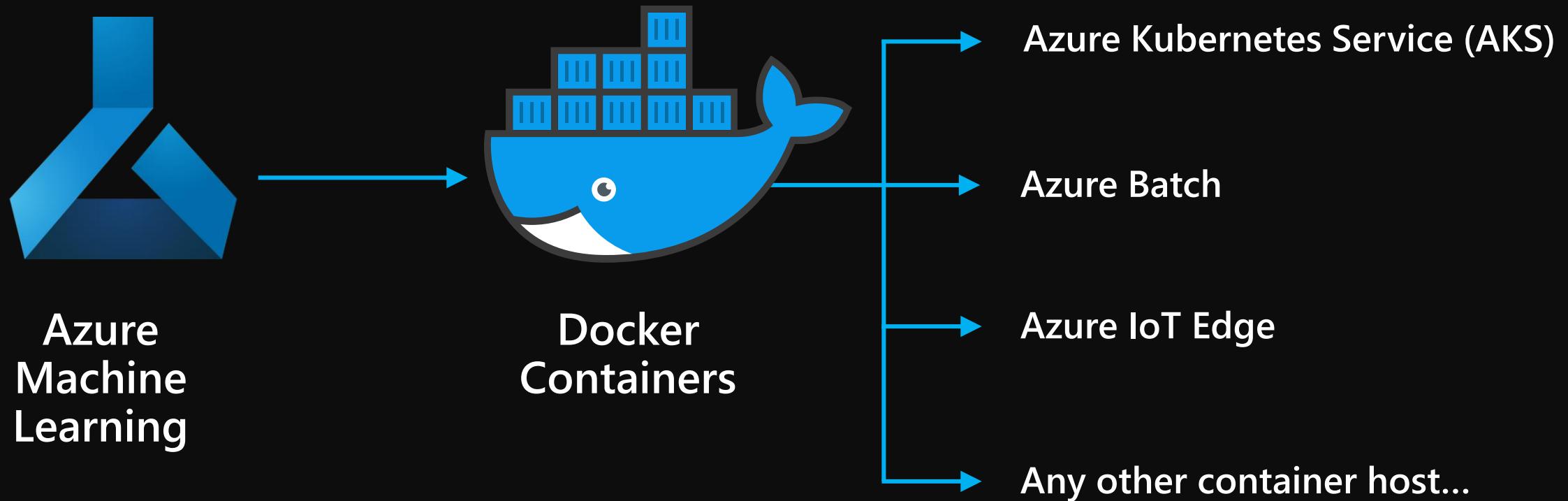
Scale training from 1 → 100,000's of servers

Azure ML Python SDK

Azure ML packages:

→ Computer Vision, Text, Forecasting

Deploying your own AI models



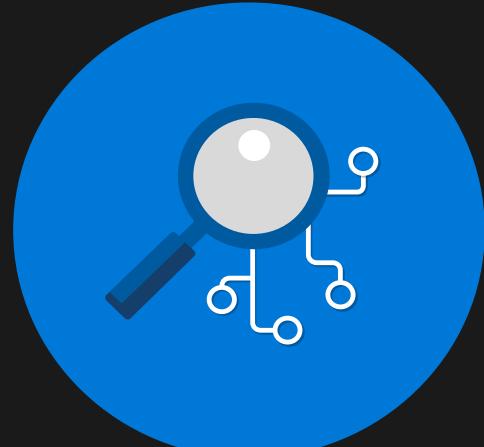
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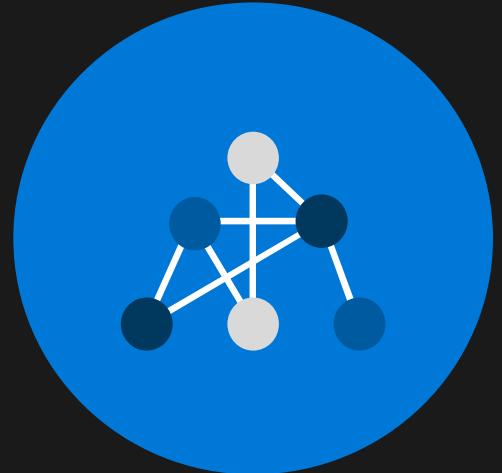
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Announcing AI for Humanitarian Action

AI for Humanitarian Action leverages AI to support disaster recovery, address the needs of children, protect displaced people, and promote human rights.

► [Watch AI in action](#)

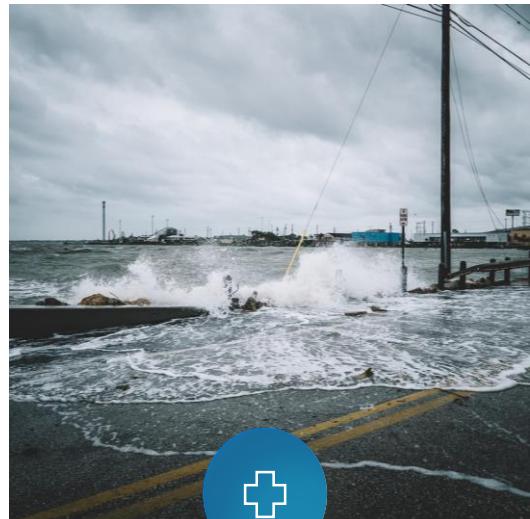


AI for Humanitarian Action

Disaster relief

Improve resiliency, response, and recovery programs designed for those affected by humanitarian emergencies.

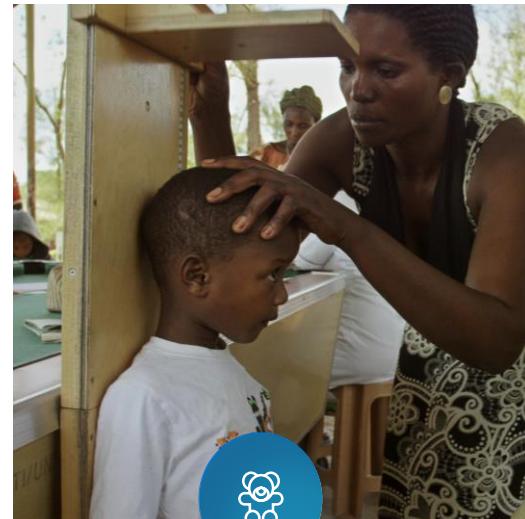
- Forecast and detect early signs of coming disasters,
- Help responders better target their aid, and
- Engage beneficiaries at time of crisis.



Needs of children

Equip organizations to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children around the world.

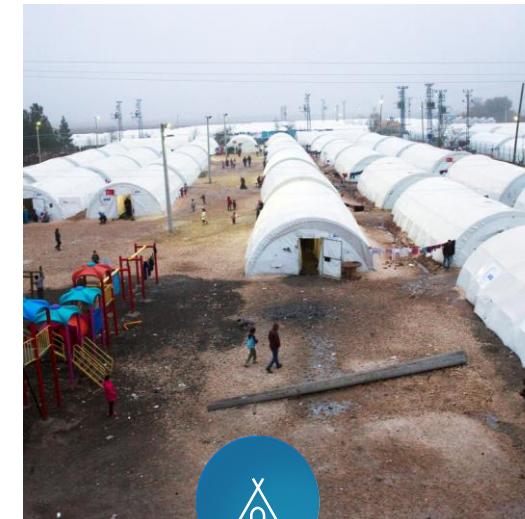
- Identification and support services
- Provision of basic health and nutritional services
- Enhancement of educational opportunities



Protecting refugees & displaced people

Optimize the delivery of aid, supplies and services to refugees and displaced persons as well as scale an organization's ability to communicate and understand needs.

- Livelihoods support
- Family reunification
- Monitoring and detection of needs



Promoting respect for human rights

Accelerate breakthrough solutions to help monitor, detect and prevent human rights abuses.

- Human trafficking
- War crimes identification
- Right to fair trial



Disaster Search and Rescue: AirSim

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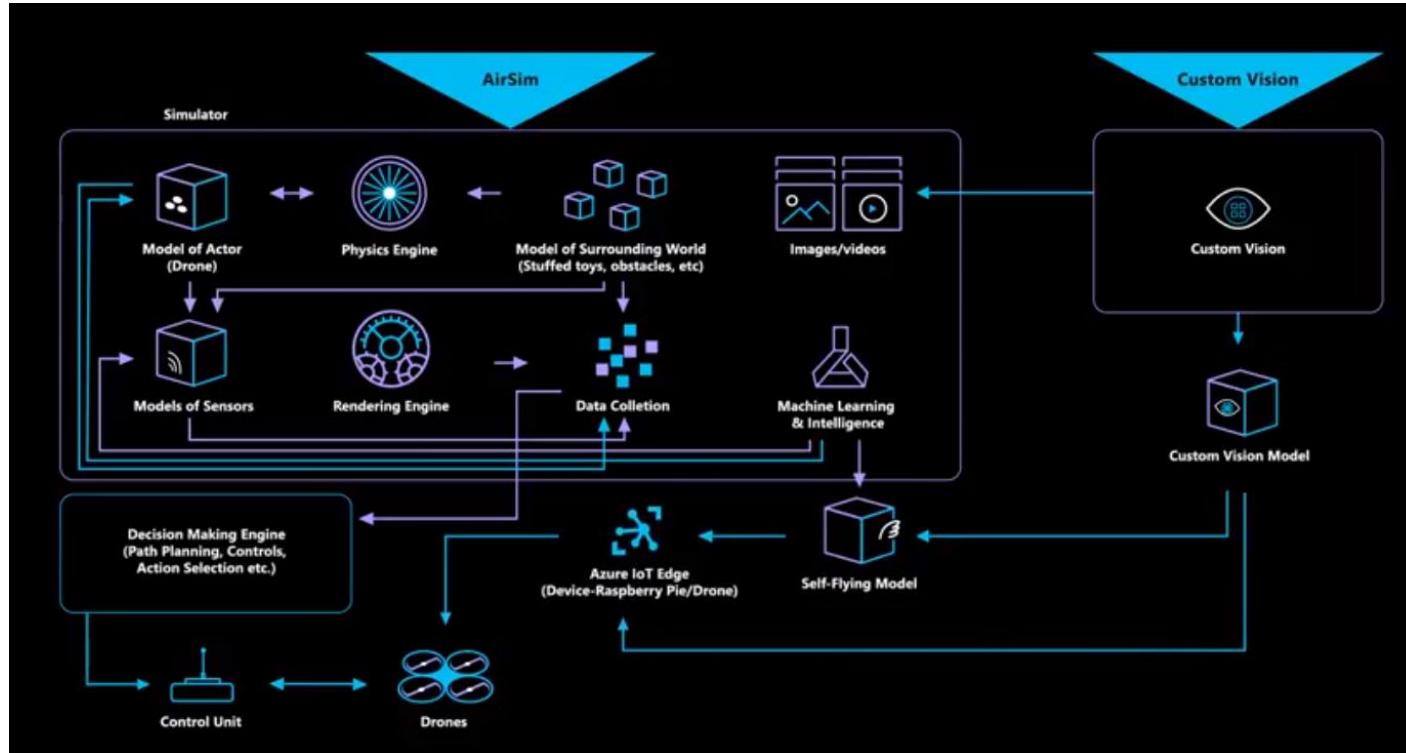
Drones: Search and Rescue training with AirSim

Goal: train AI-powered drones to recognize targets for search-and-rescue.

Train recognizer using real objects in controlled environment with Custom Vision.

Simulate training data for drone control with AirSim (simulator based on Unreal).

<https://github.com/Microsoft/AirSim>



Transfer Learning

customvision.ai



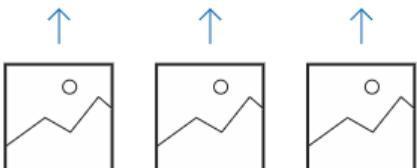
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Custom Vision



Visual Intelligence Made Easy

Easily customize your own state-of-the-art computer vision models that fit perfectly with your unique use case. Just bring a few examples of labeled images and let Custom Vision do the hard work.



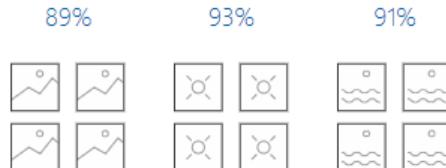
Upload Images

Bring your own labeled images, or use Custom Vision to quickly add tags to any unlabeled images.



Train

Use your labeled images to teach Custom Vision the concepts you care about.



Evaluate

Use simple REST API calls to quickly tag images with your new custom computer vision model.

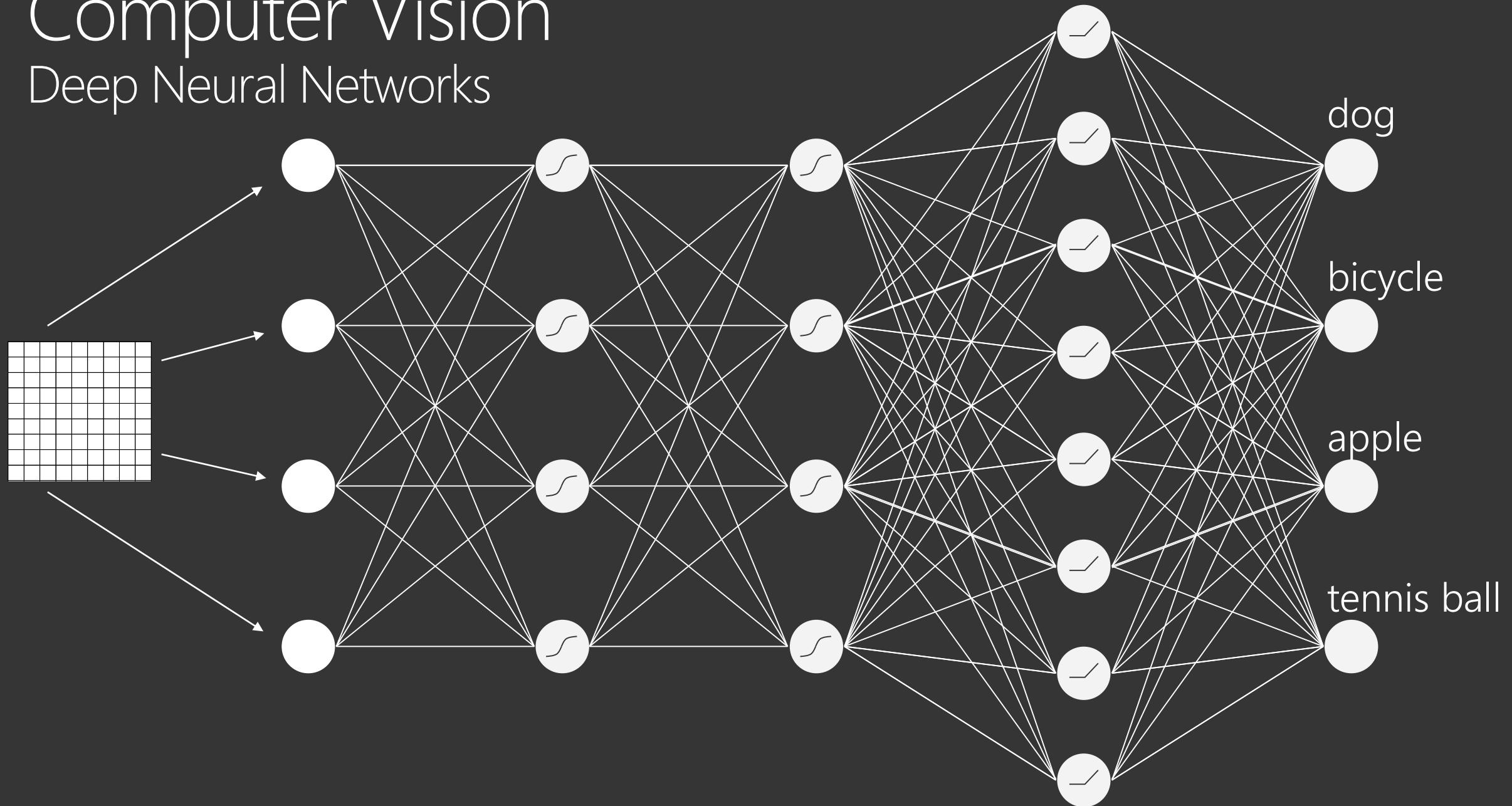
How neural networks work

Brandon Rohrer

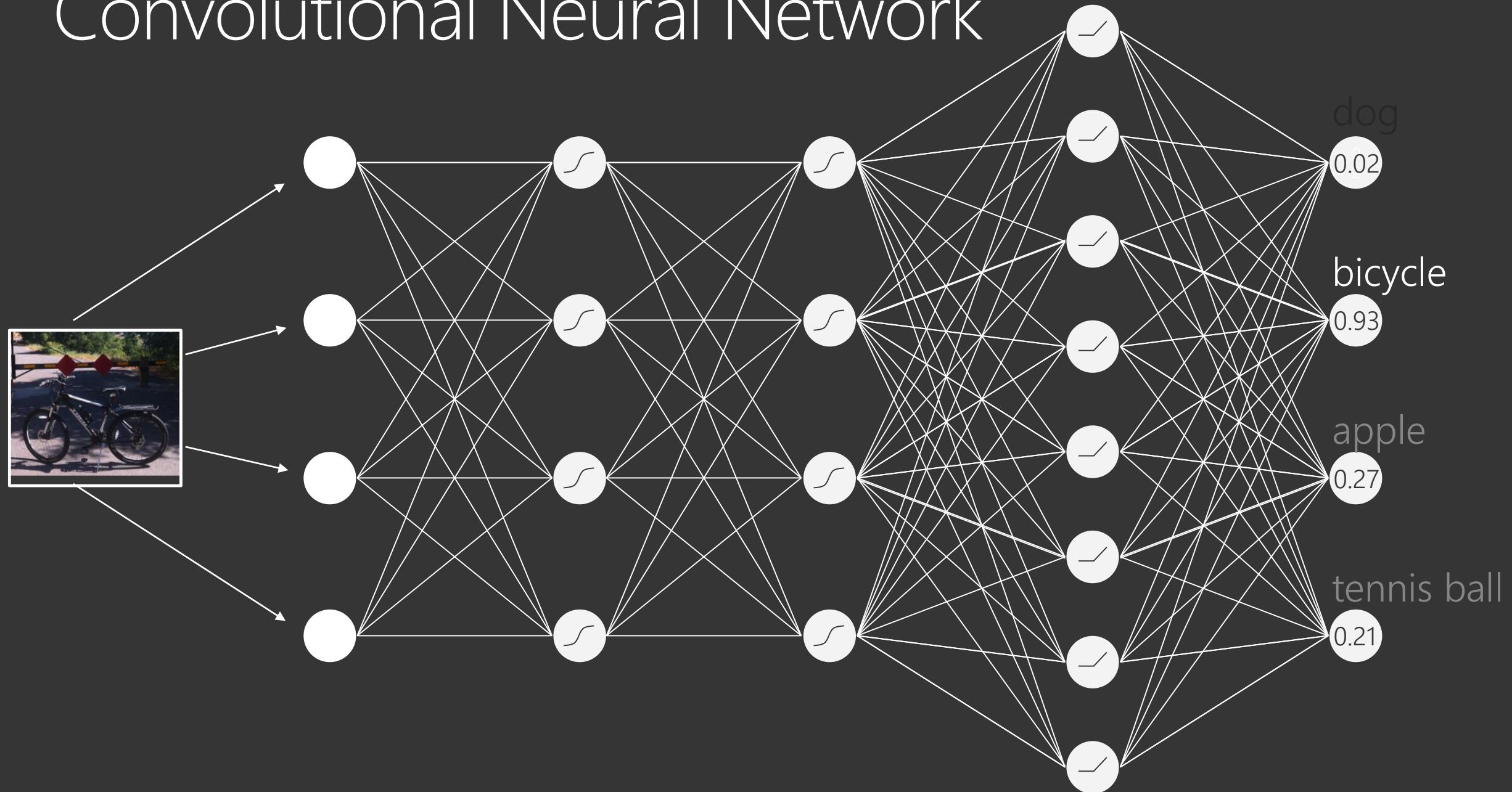
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Computer Vision

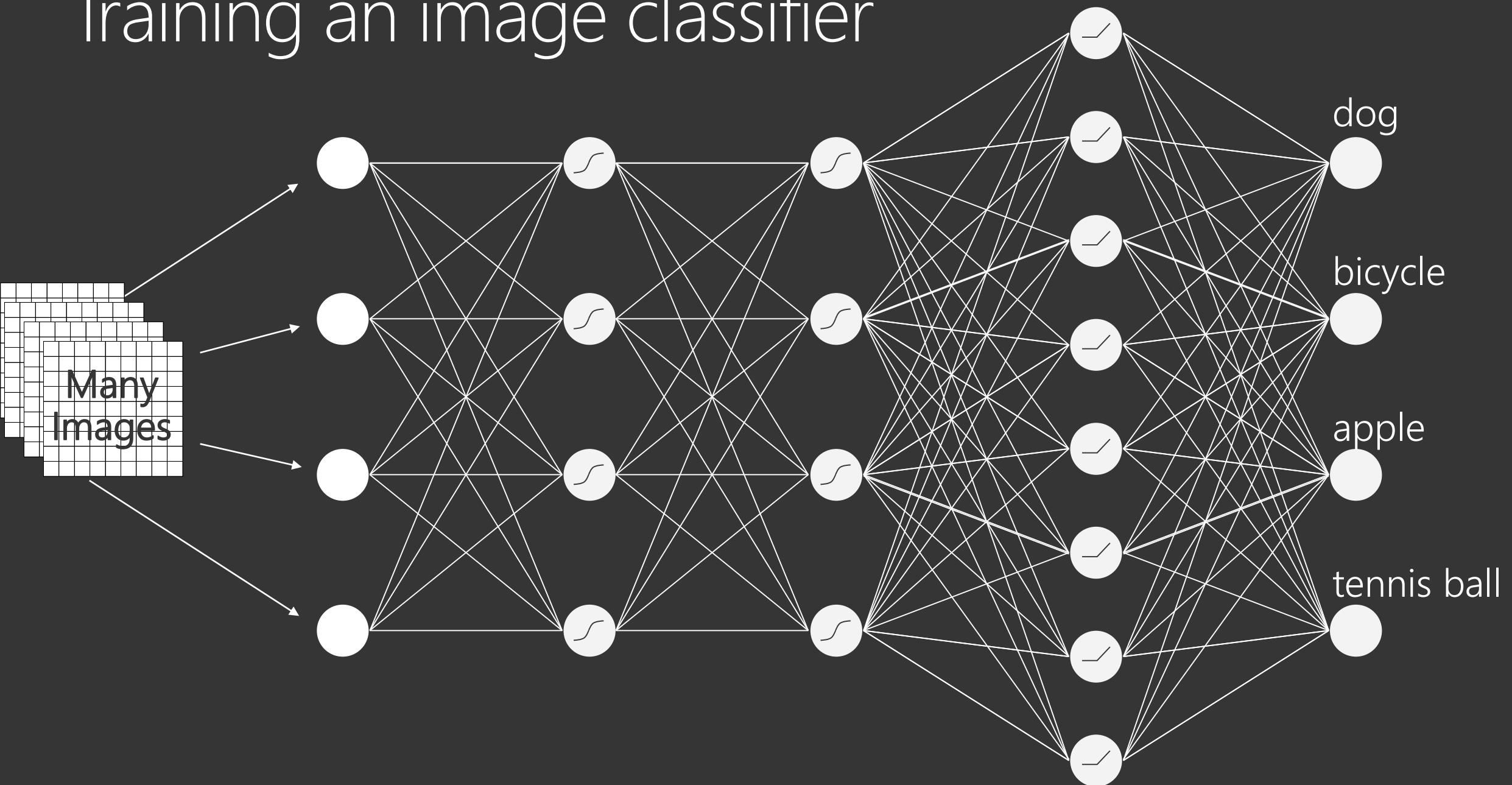
Deep Neural Networks



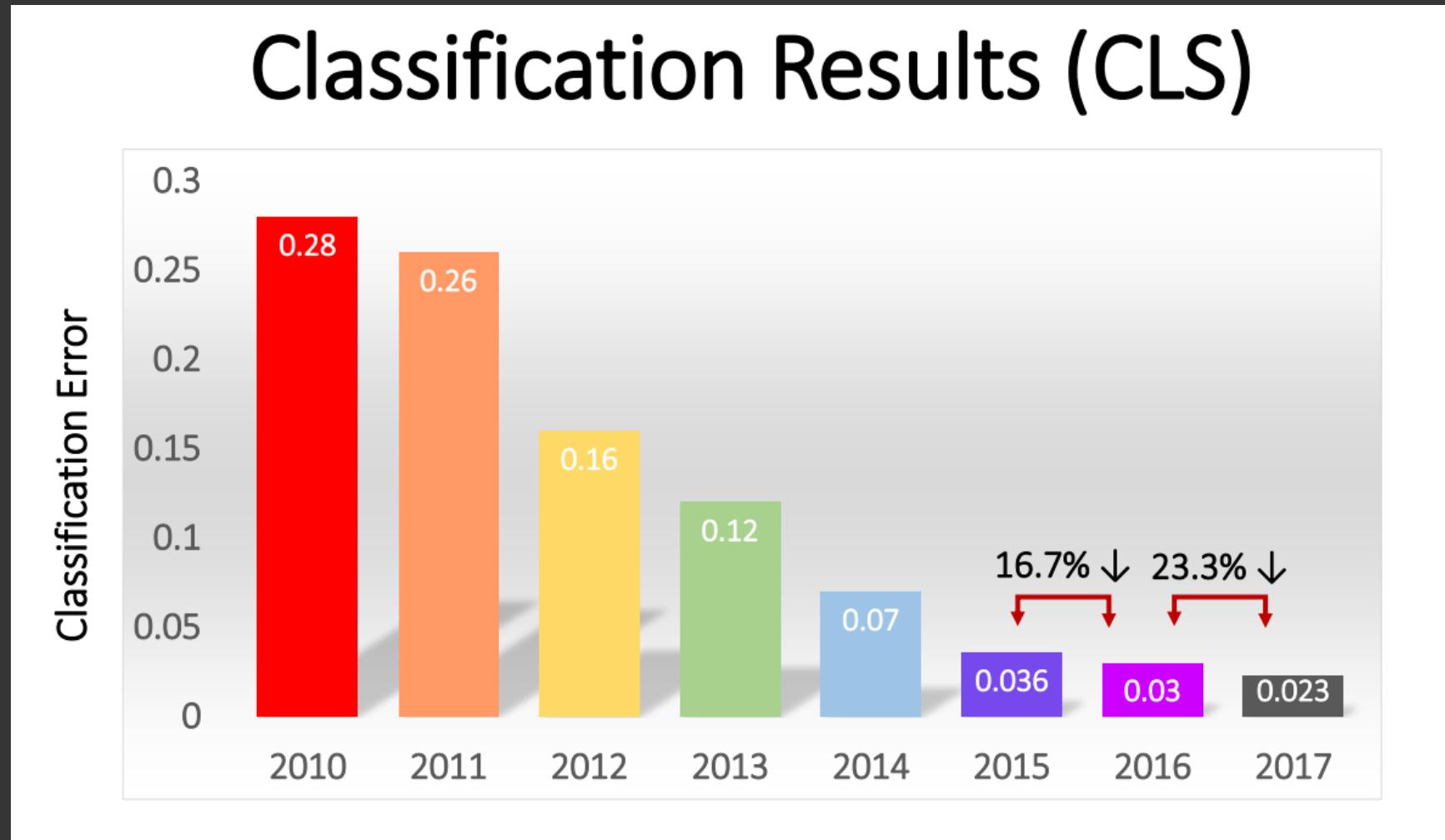
Convolutional Neural Network



Training an image classifier

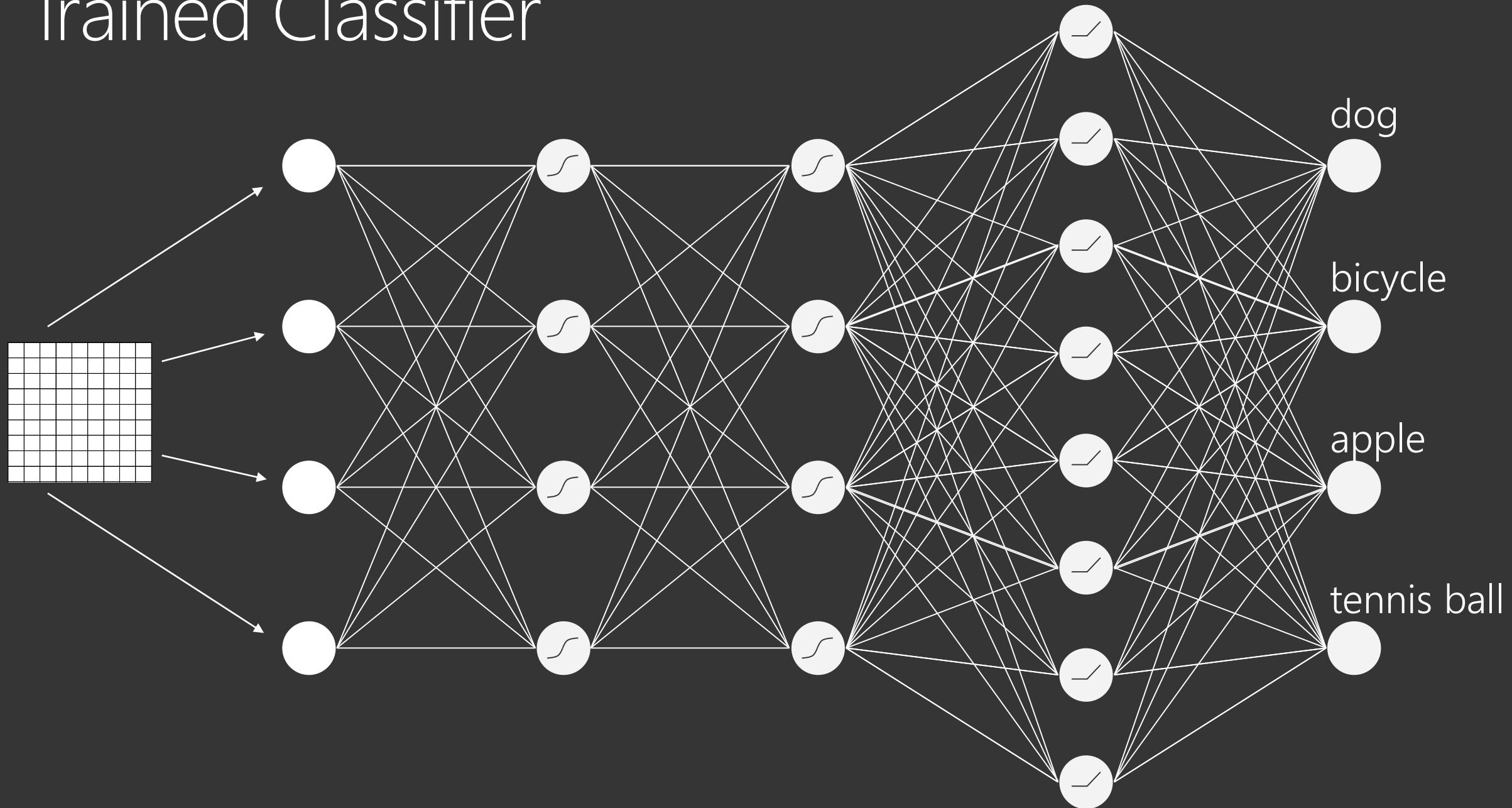


ImageNet Challenge Winners

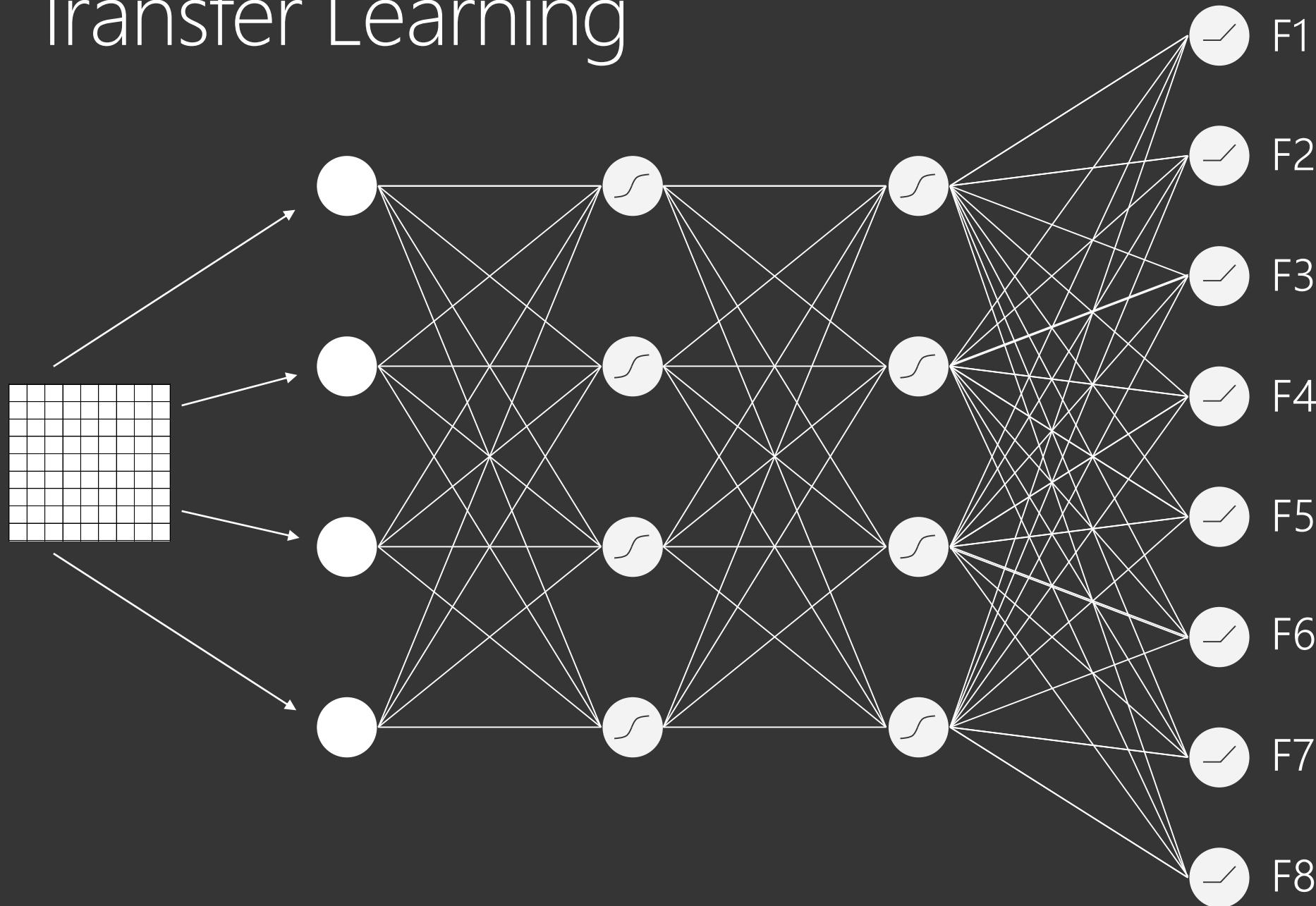


Park et al, ILSVRC 2017

Trained Classifier

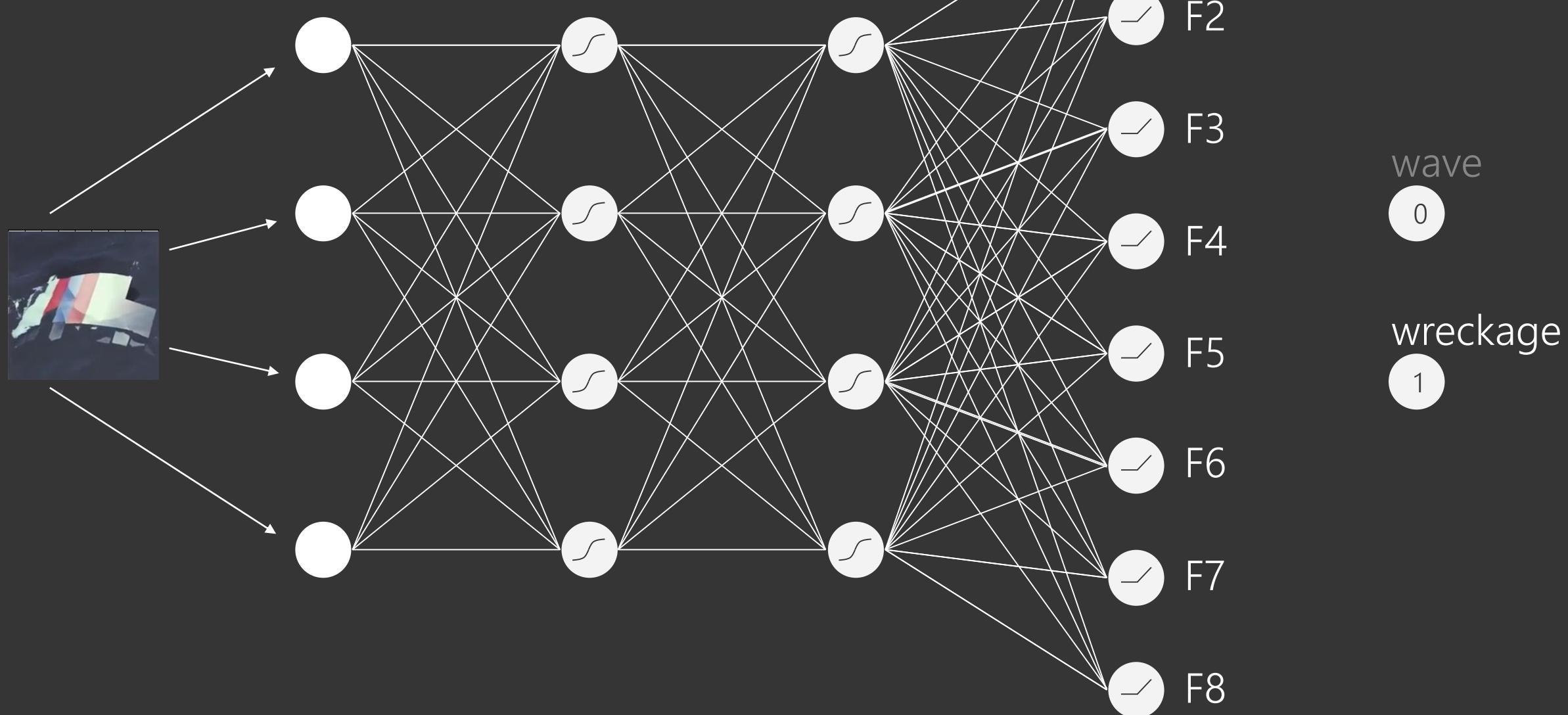


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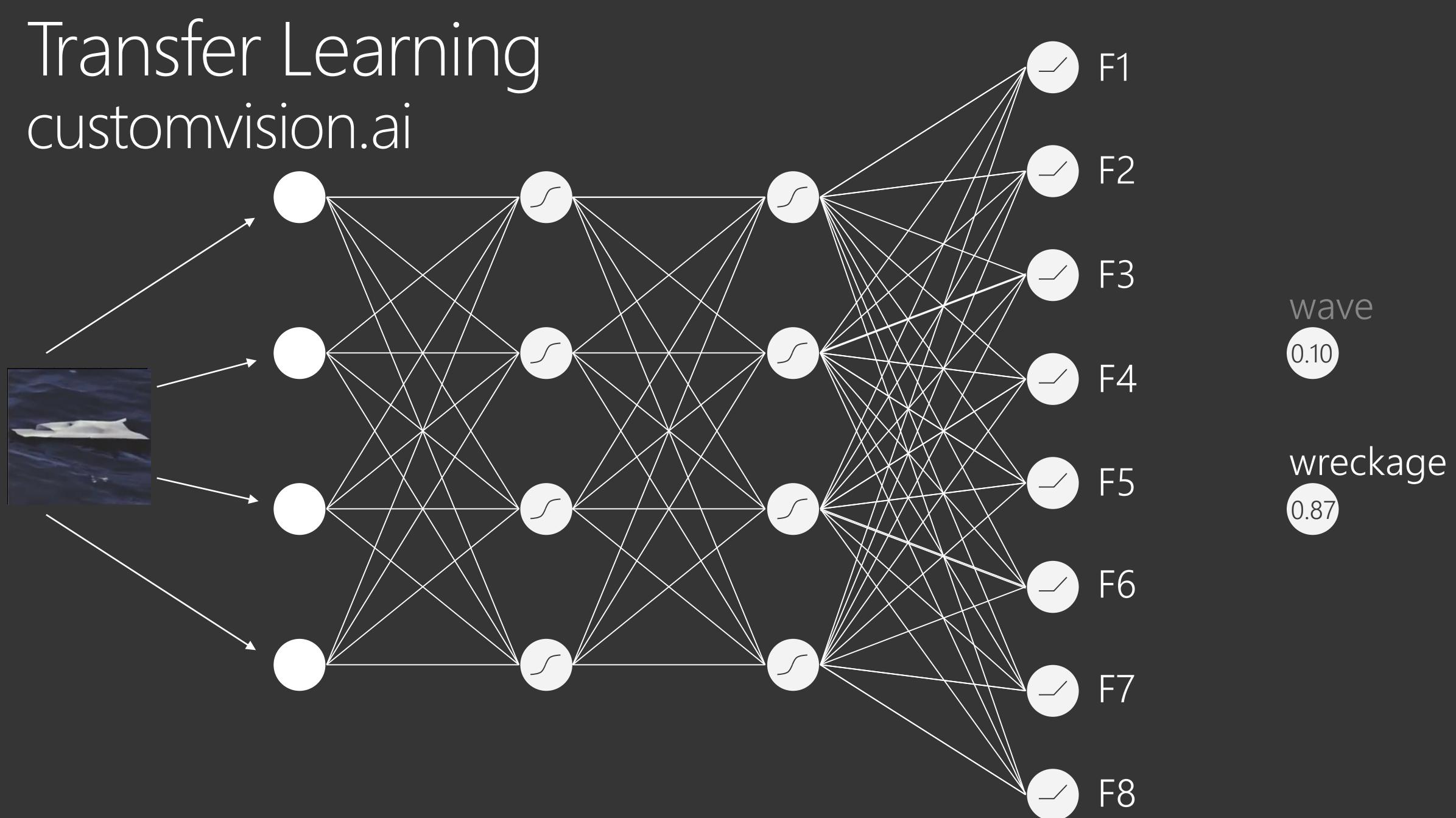
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“Not Hotdog” custom image recognizer

 Collect images of hotdogs
ImageNet



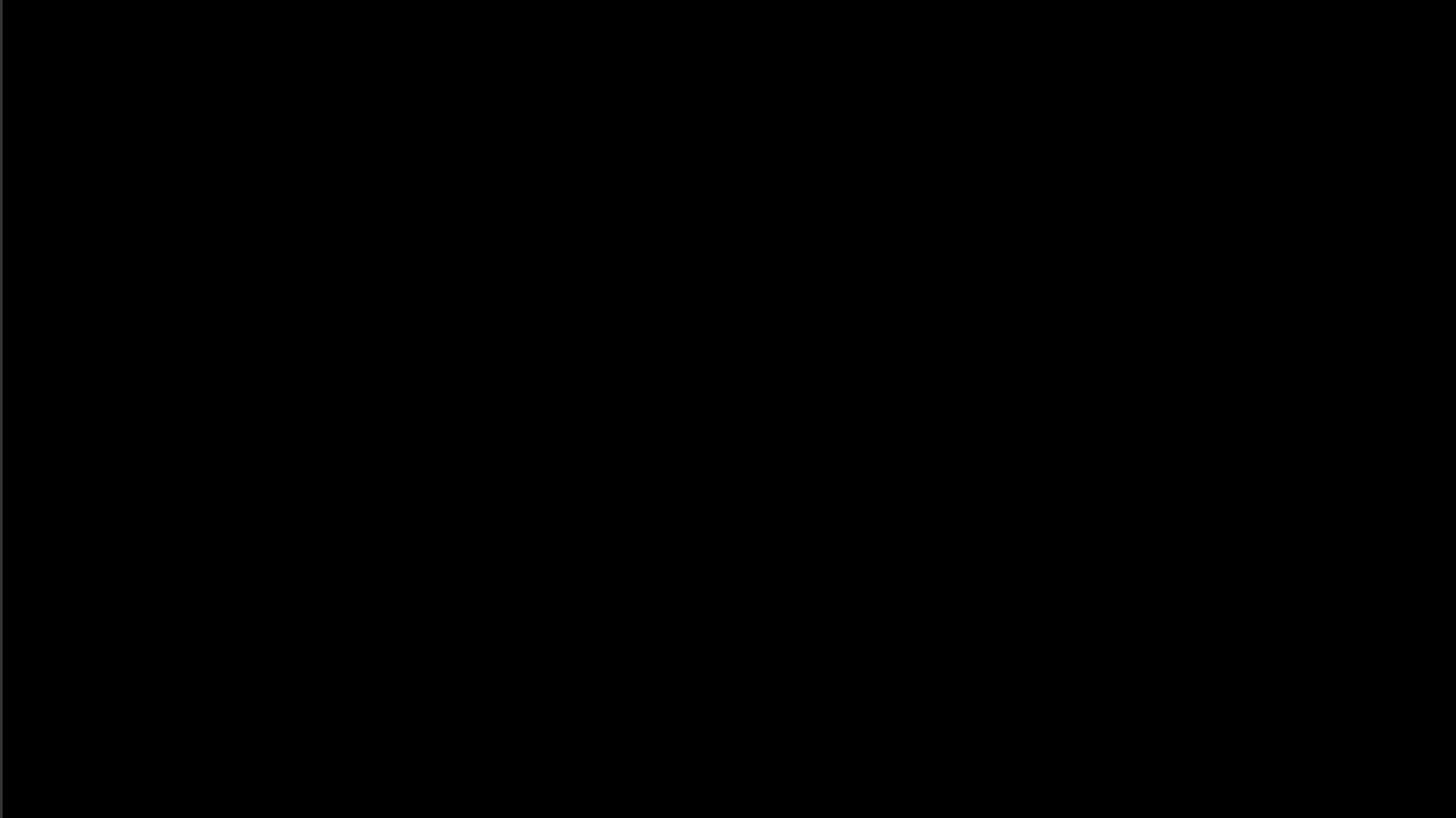
“Hotdog”

 Train image recognizer
Transfer learning



“Not Hotdog”

 Classify new images
Shiny app



Silicon Valley Season 4, Episode 4. © HBO

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3. Custom Vision with R.ipynb

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www.microsoft.com/en-us/ai/ai-for-good



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