

CarMatch

A singular car buying solution

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THE **NEW** WAY TO BUY A CAR

Delivery to Your Door | 7-Day Test Own

HOW IT WORKS



SEARCH OUR 9,950 CARS

Select **BODYSTYLE(S)**



SEDAN



SUV



PICKUP



MINI-VAN



HATCHBACK



CONVERTIBLE



COUPE



WAGON

Select **PRICE RANGE**

< \$15K

\$15K-20K

\$20K-25K

\$25K-30K

\$30K-35K

> \$35K

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Need to know **exactly** what you want

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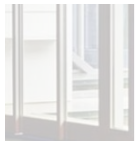
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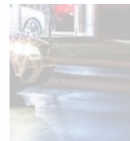
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CarMatch

Just needs a
single, understandable
input

Inception 2D Neural Network

Modified and progressively fine-tuned to classify
196 different car classes

- No feature extraction
- Minimal pre-processing
- Could be trained on a small dataset

Dataset

Each class a unique combination of:



MAKE: Dodge

MODEL: RAM 3500

YEAR: 2009

Approximately **80 photos/class** (~16,000 photos total)

http://ai.stanford.edu/~jkrause/cars/car_dataset.html

Multiple Angles



Variable Quality



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But results are most useful if they also ***look like the submitted photo***

Input: sedan

output: sedans



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output: sedan-like



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How to improve the results

Instead of absolute top-5 ranking

Algorithm that balances

- 1) most represented **body-styles**
and
- 2) the **highest confidence** results

Improved results by 4x

Correct ID AND styles:

New algorithm: 71.4%

Correct ID AND wrong styles:

New algorithm: 21.5%

4x
improvement

Incorrect ID:

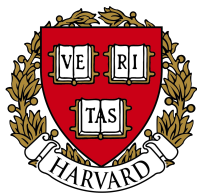
New algorithm: 7.1%

1.4x
compromise

And that's how CarMatch helps

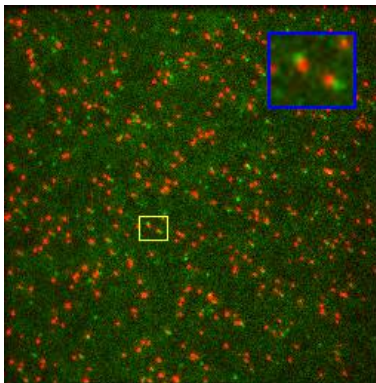
customers use a *single* photo to buy a car

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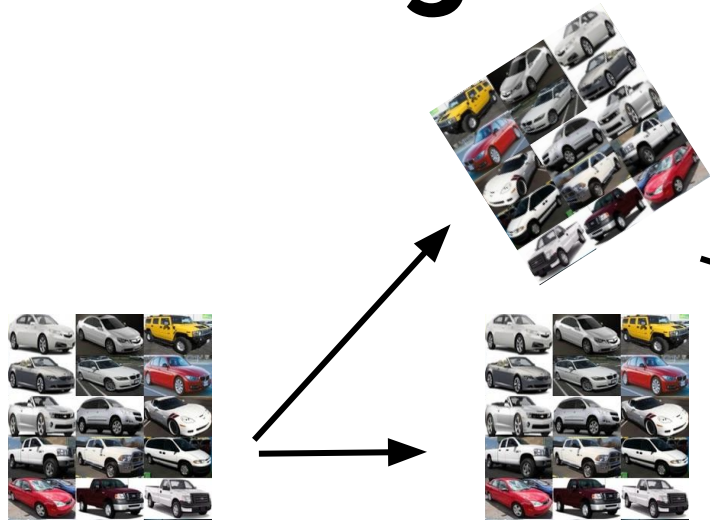
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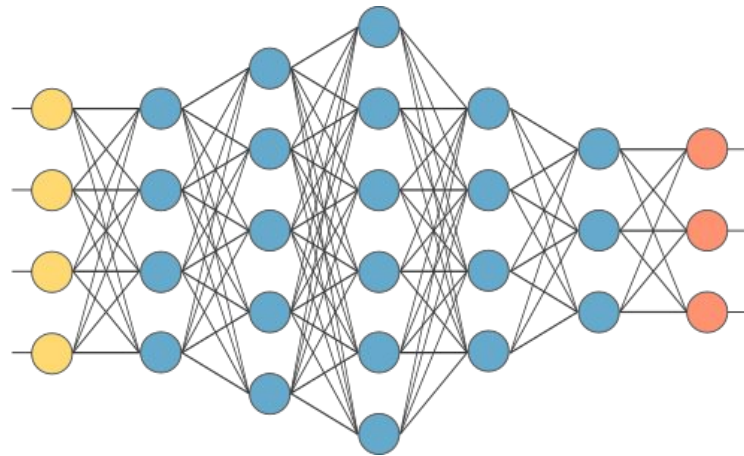
SUPPLEMENTAL SLIDES

Training



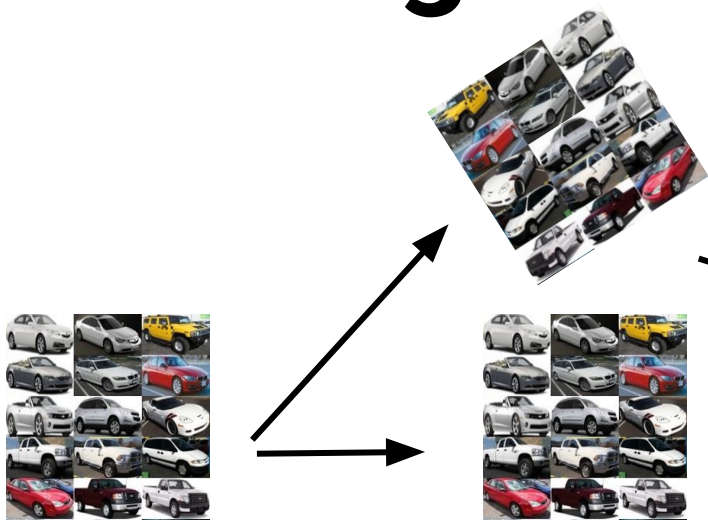
training set

in-memory
augmentation



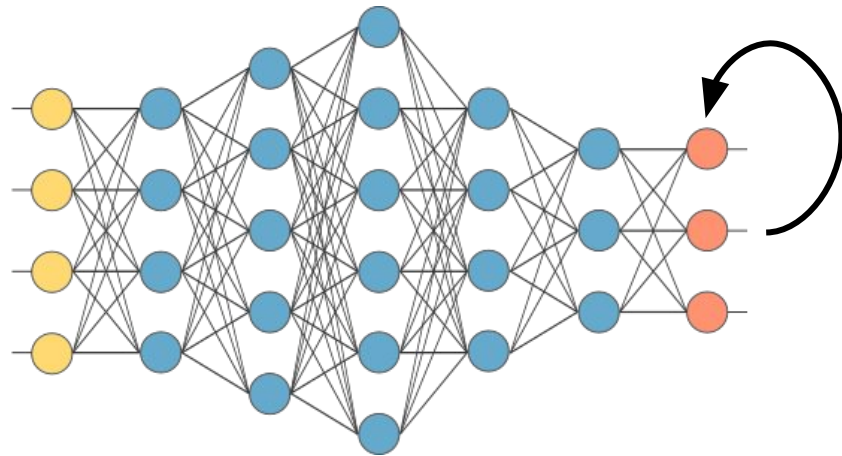
Pre-trained GoogleNet (Inception)
2D convolutional neural network

Training



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2D convolutional neural network
add/train new prediction layer

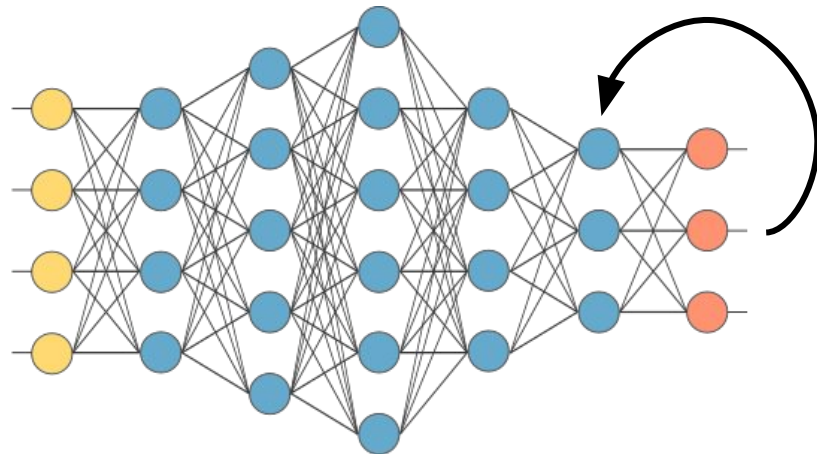
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progressive fine-tuning

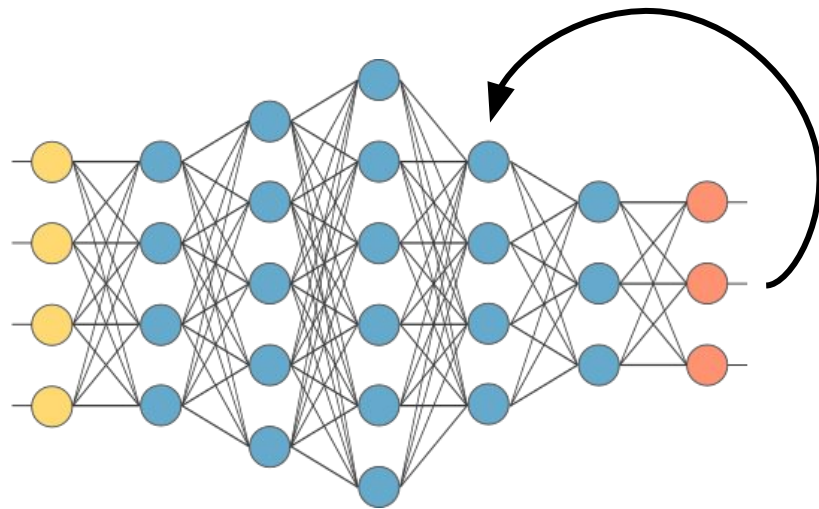
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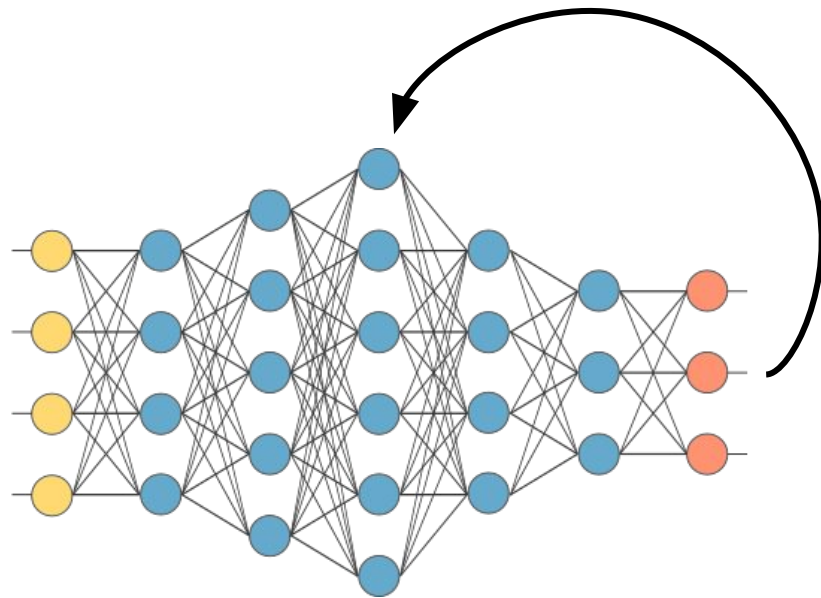
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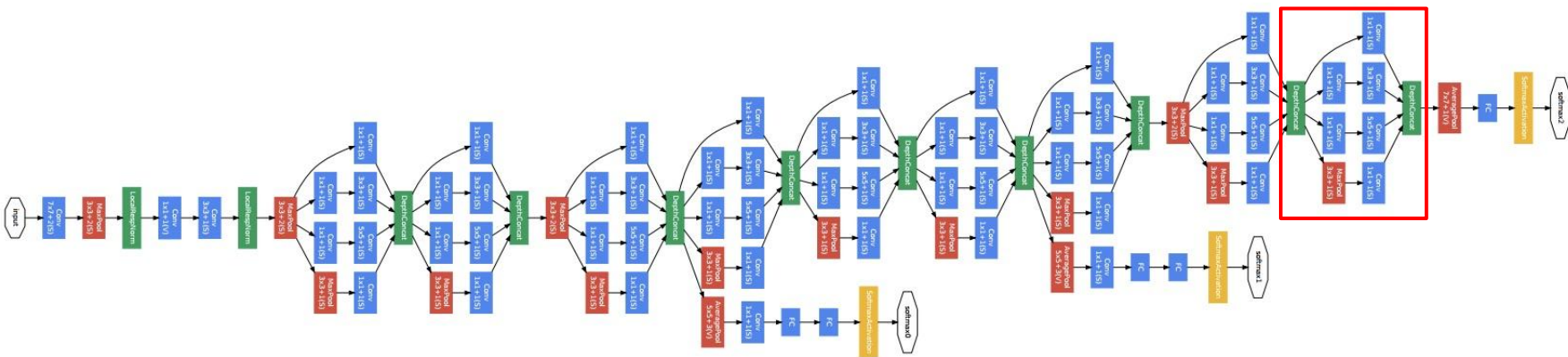
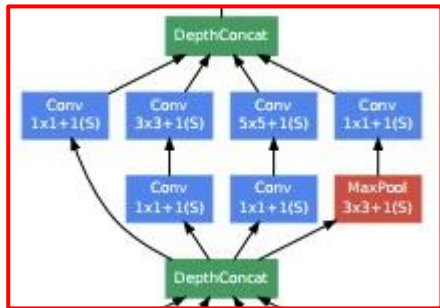


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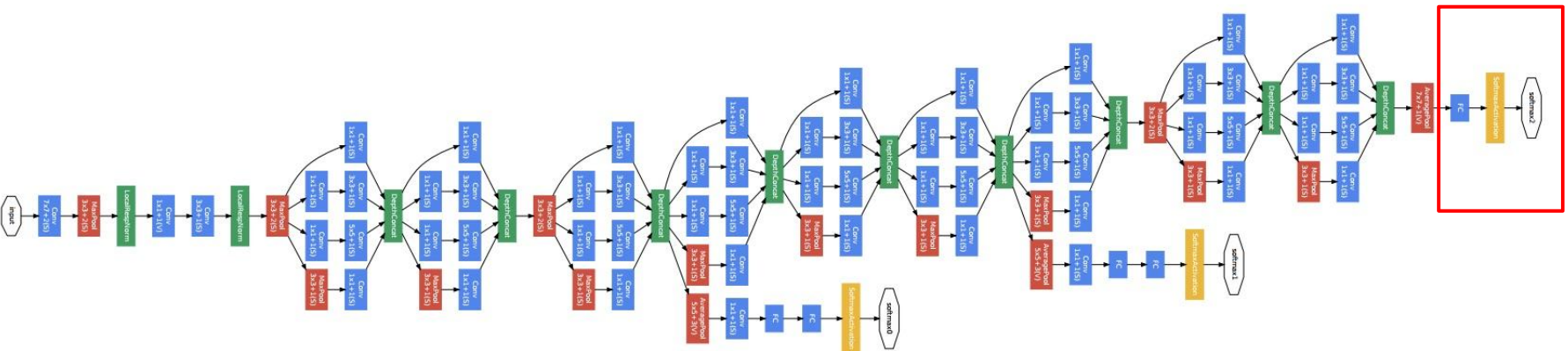


2D convolutional neural network
progressive fine-tuning

Inception Model



Modify



Why such high wrong style results?

Top-5 ignores probability assignments:



0.85



0.10



0.02



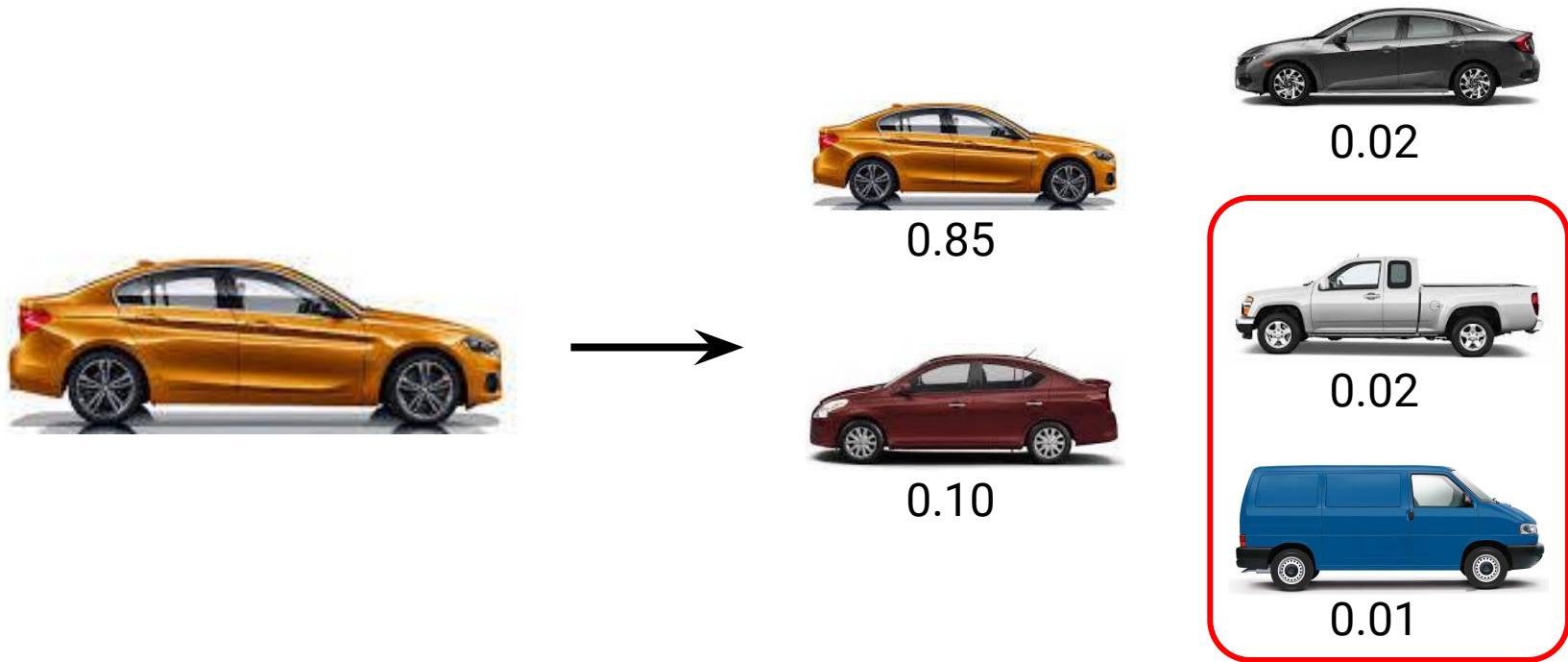
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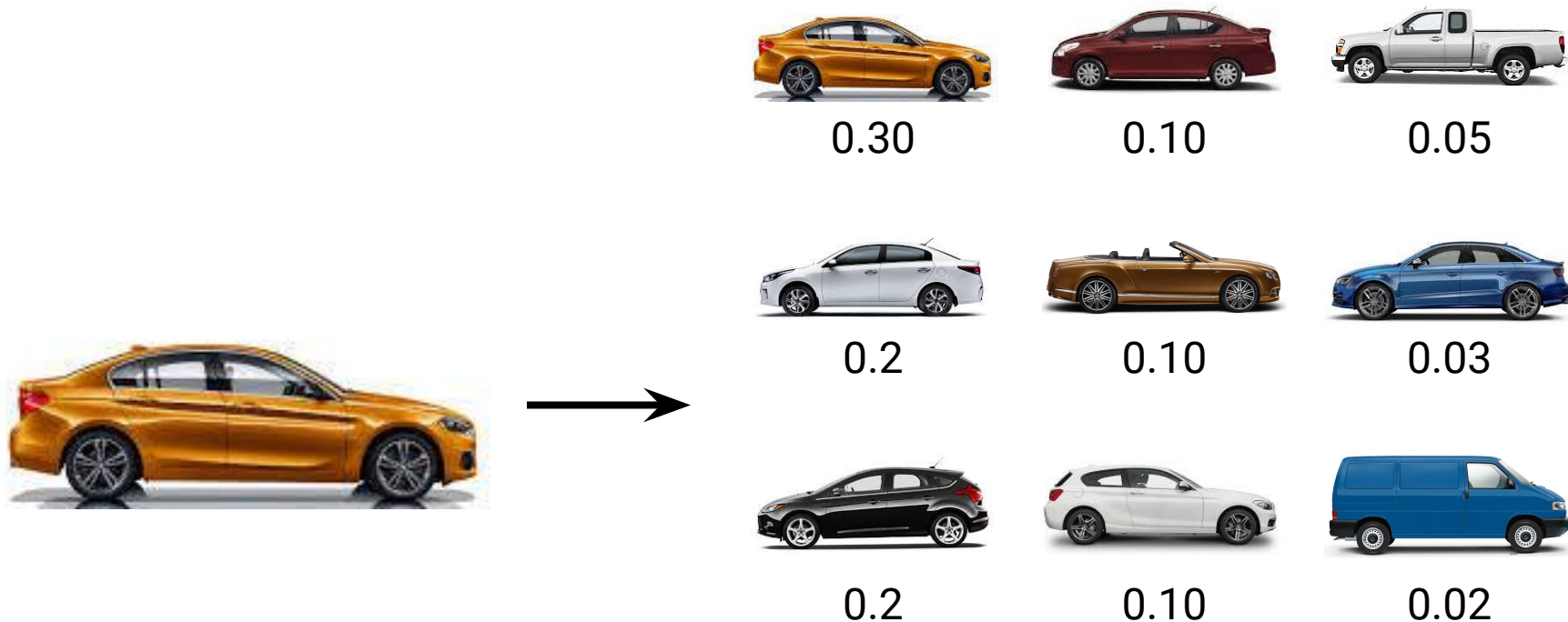
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- 2) Consider predictions with 95% confidence



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- 3) Limit to top-2 body-styles



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How to improve the results

- 1) Start with all predictions
- 2) Consider predictions with 95% confidence
- 3) Limit to top-2 body-styles
- 4) Present top-5 remaining results



0.30



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