

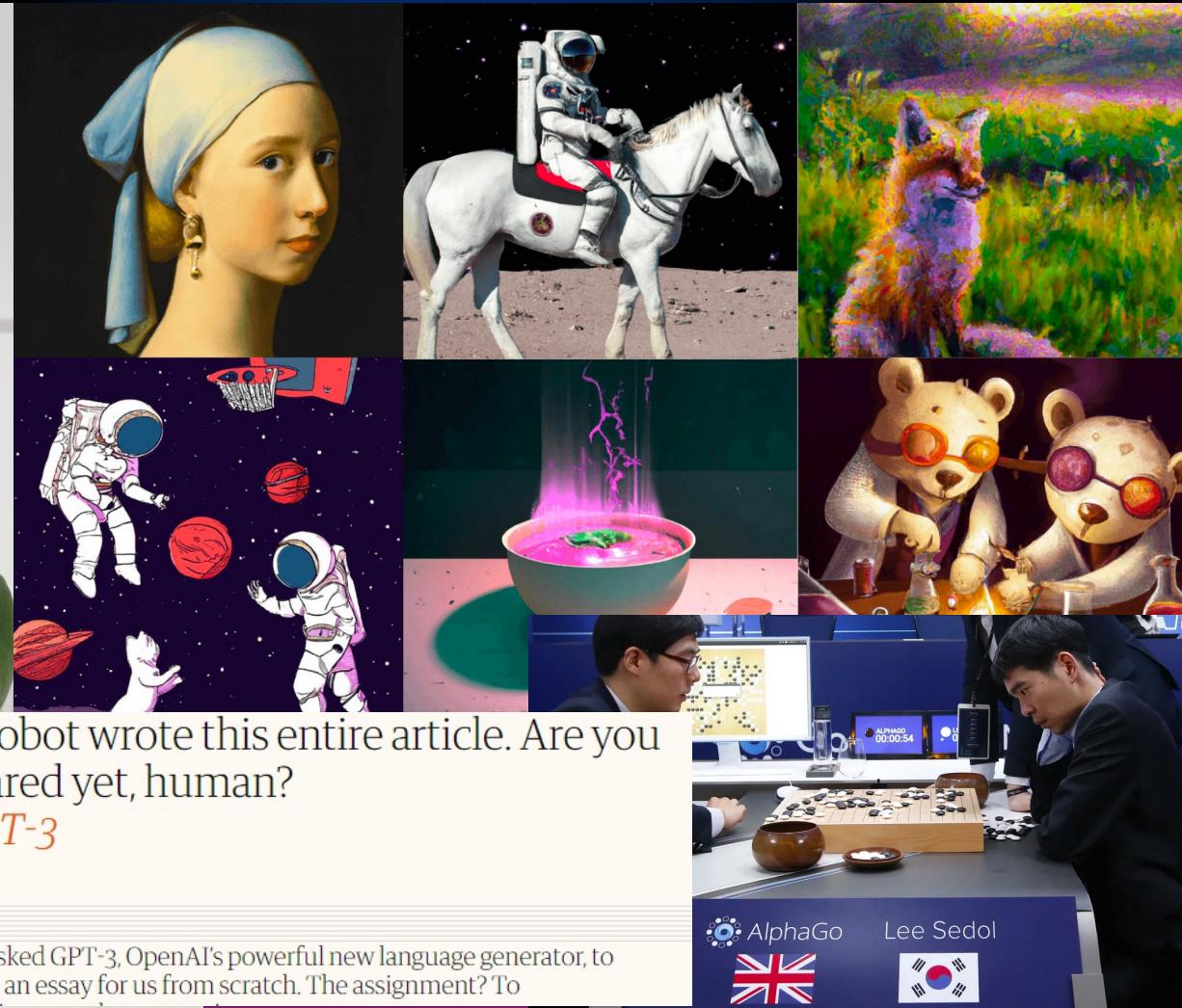
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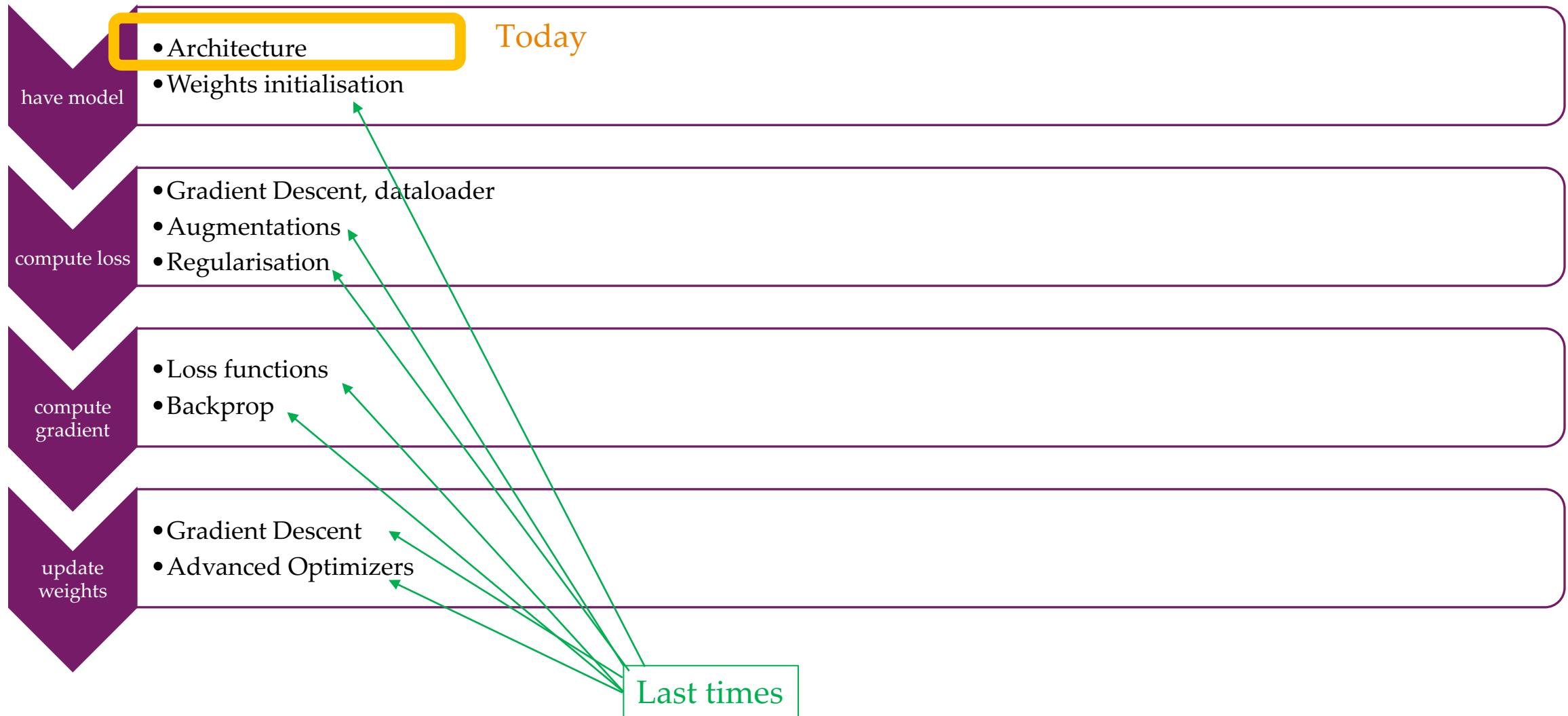
GPT-3

We asked GPT-3, OpenAI's powerful new language generator, to write an essay for us from scratch. The assignment? To

Lecture 5: Convolutional Neural Networks

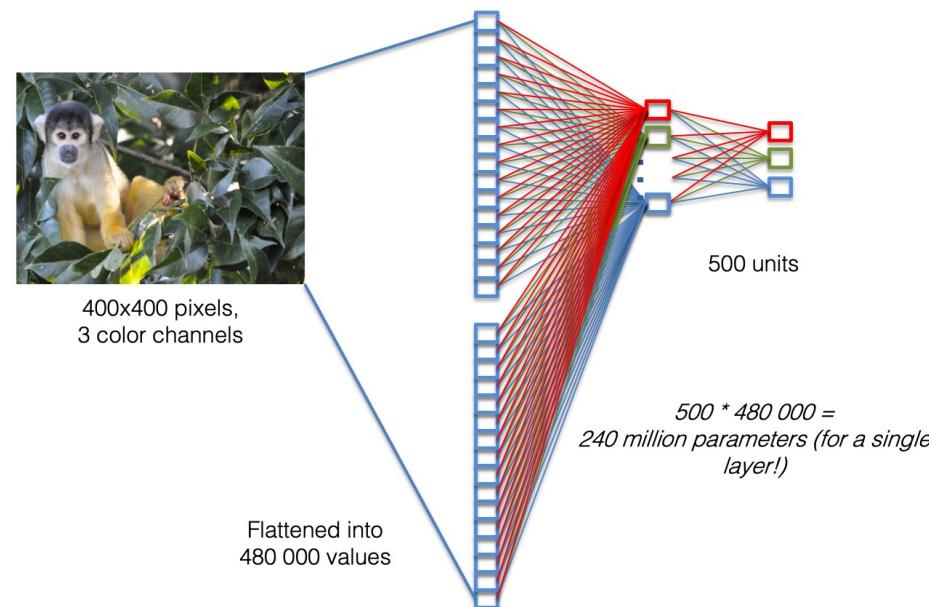
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Optimizing neural networks



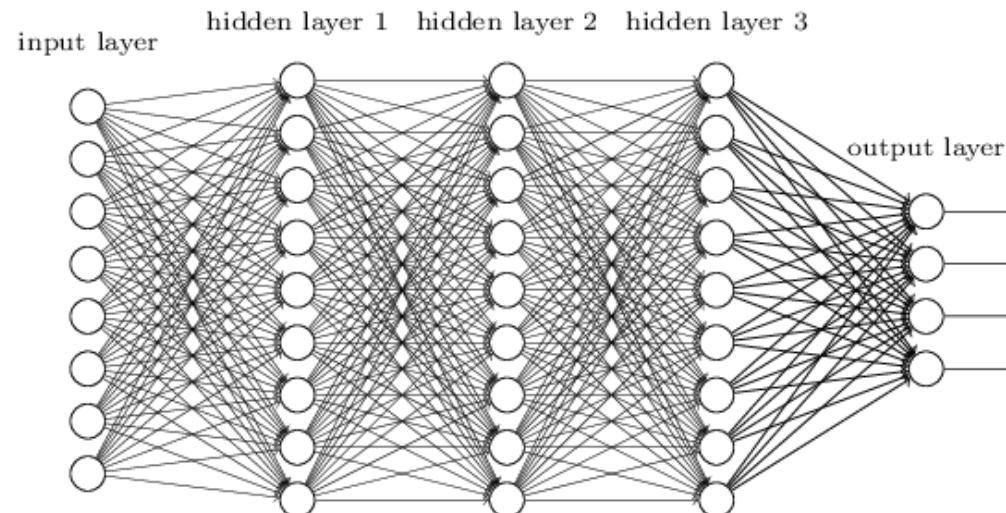
Multi-layer perceptrons (Recap)

- An input image of 400x400 pixels and 3 colour channels (red, green, blue)
- flattened into a vector of 480 000 input values
- fed into an MLP with a single hidden layer with 500 hidden units
- $500 * 480\ 000 = 240$ million parameters for a single layer



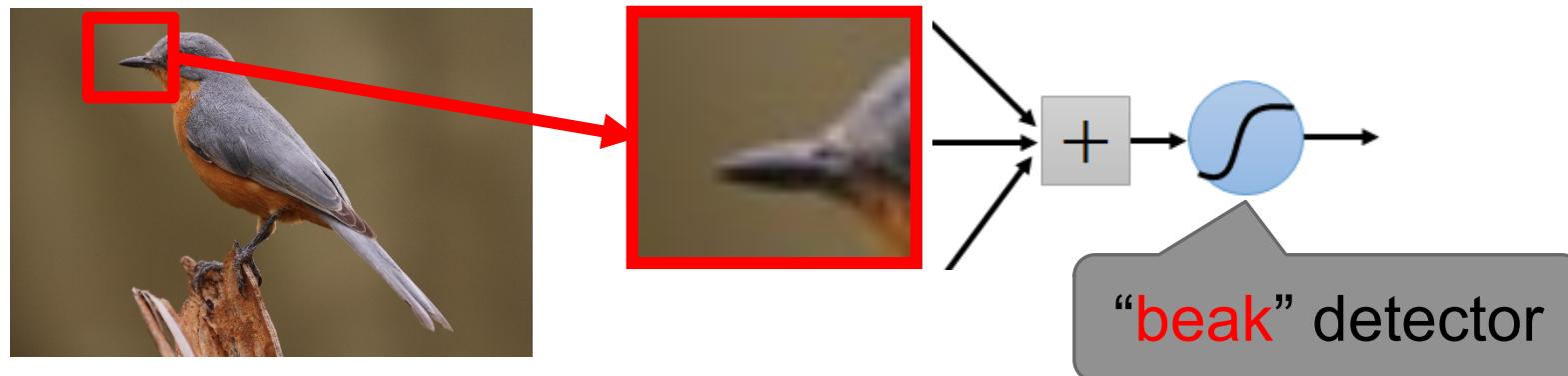
Multi-layer perceptrons (Recap)

- From this fully-connected model, do we really need all the edges?
- Can some of these be “shared” (equal weight)?
- Can prior knowledge (“inductive biases”) be incorporated into the design?

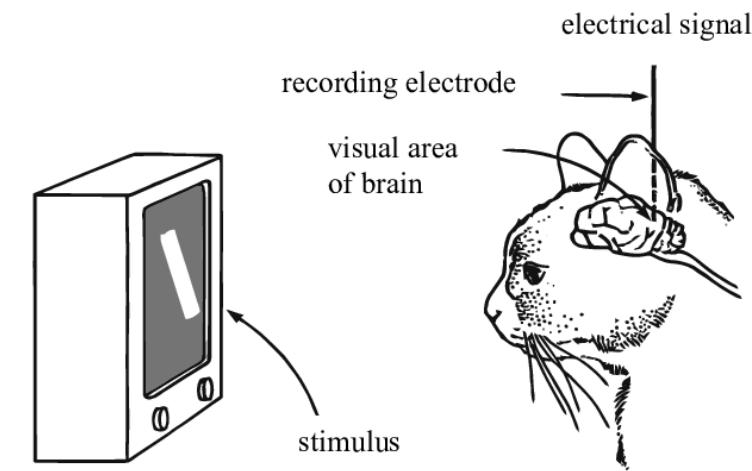


Consider an image

- Some patterns are much smaller than the whole image
- Can represent a small region with fewer parameters
- What about training a lot of such “small” detectors and each detector must be able to “move around”? (C.f. Barlow 1961)

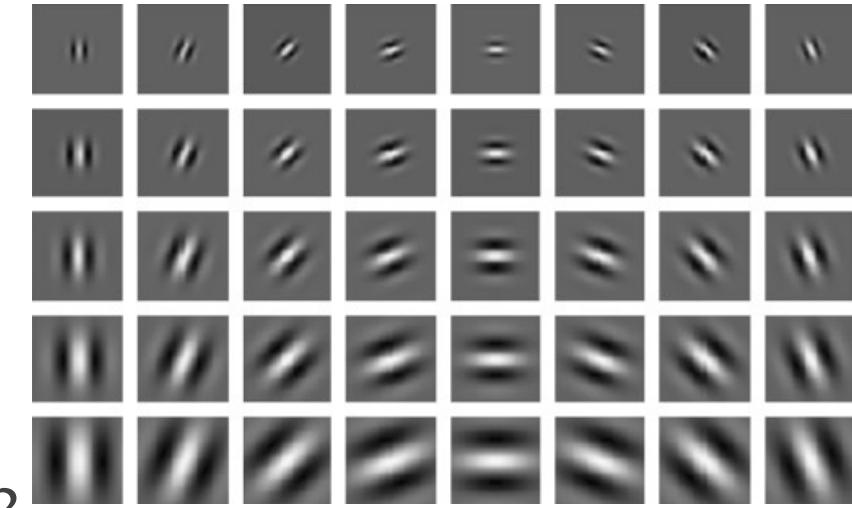


Hubel and Wiesel: Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine in 1981



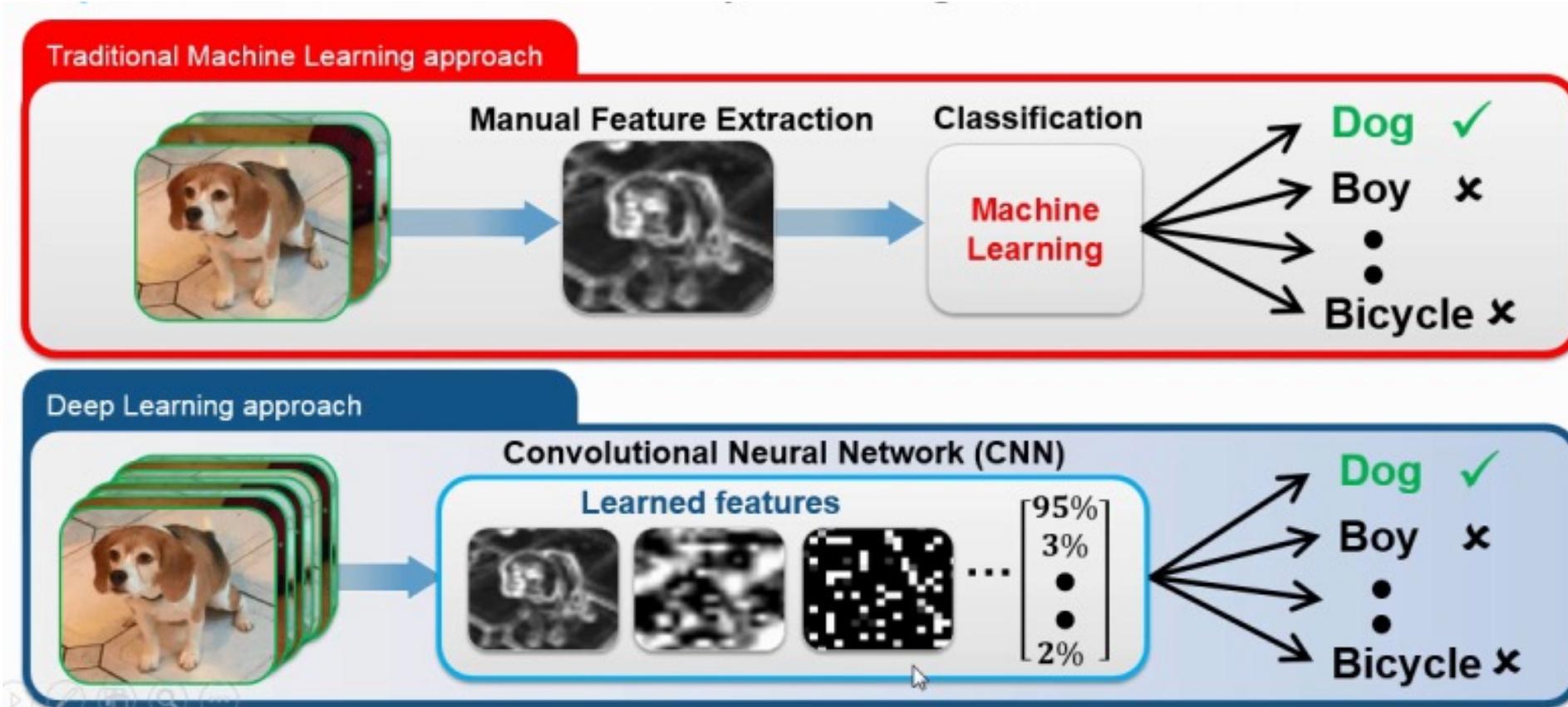
Filters, yes. How about learnable filters

- Hubel and Wiesel: Edge detectors in visual cortex
- See also “Grandmother cells” (next lecture)
- Handcrafted filters
 - Canny, Gabor filters
- Are they optimal for recognition?
- Can we learn optimal filters from our data instead?
- Are they going to resemble the handcrafted filters?



Gabor filters

Filters, yes. How about learnable filters



Manual features:
* Eg HOG, SIFT, GIST

The convolution operation

- We have a signal $x(t)$ and a weighting function $w(a)$
- We can generate a new function $s(t)$ by the following equation:

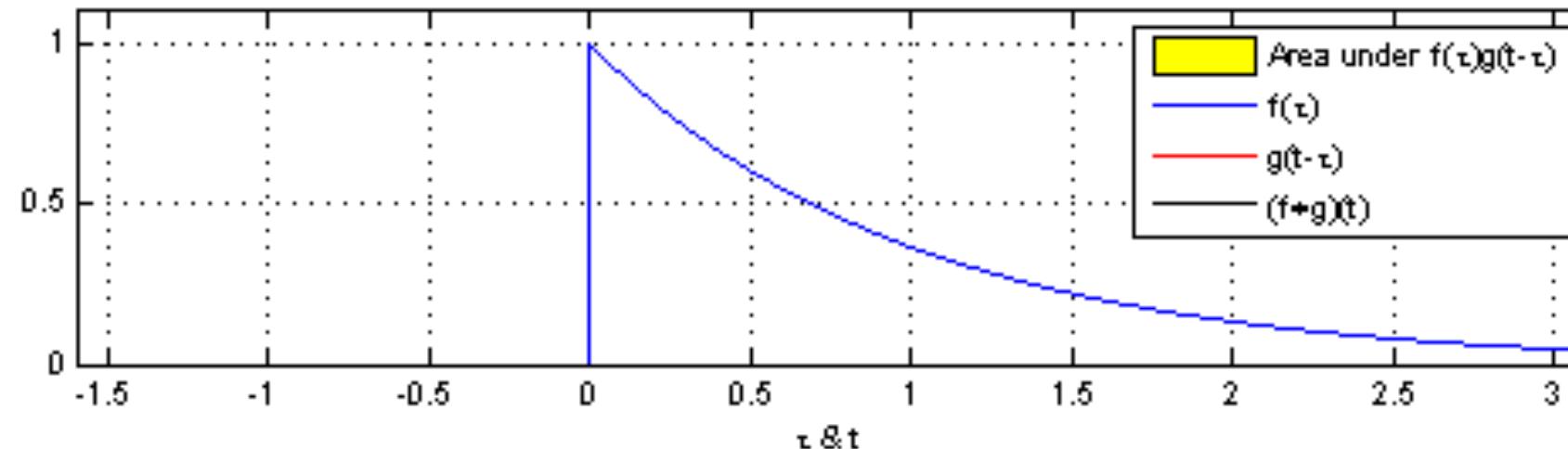
$$s(t) = \int x(a)w(t - a)da$$

- We refer to $w(a)$ as a *filter* or a *kernel*. This operation is called convolution.
- The convolution operation is typically denoted with asterisk:

$$s(t) = (x * w)(t)$$

The convolution operation

- The convolution $(f * g)(t)$ of two functions $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ computes the overlap in area



Convolution for 2D images

- For a two-dimensional image I as our input, we want to use a two-dimensional kernel K :

$$S(i, j) = (I * K)(i, j) = \sum_m \sum_n I(m, n)K(i - m, j - n)$$

- Convolution is commutative, and we can equivalently write:

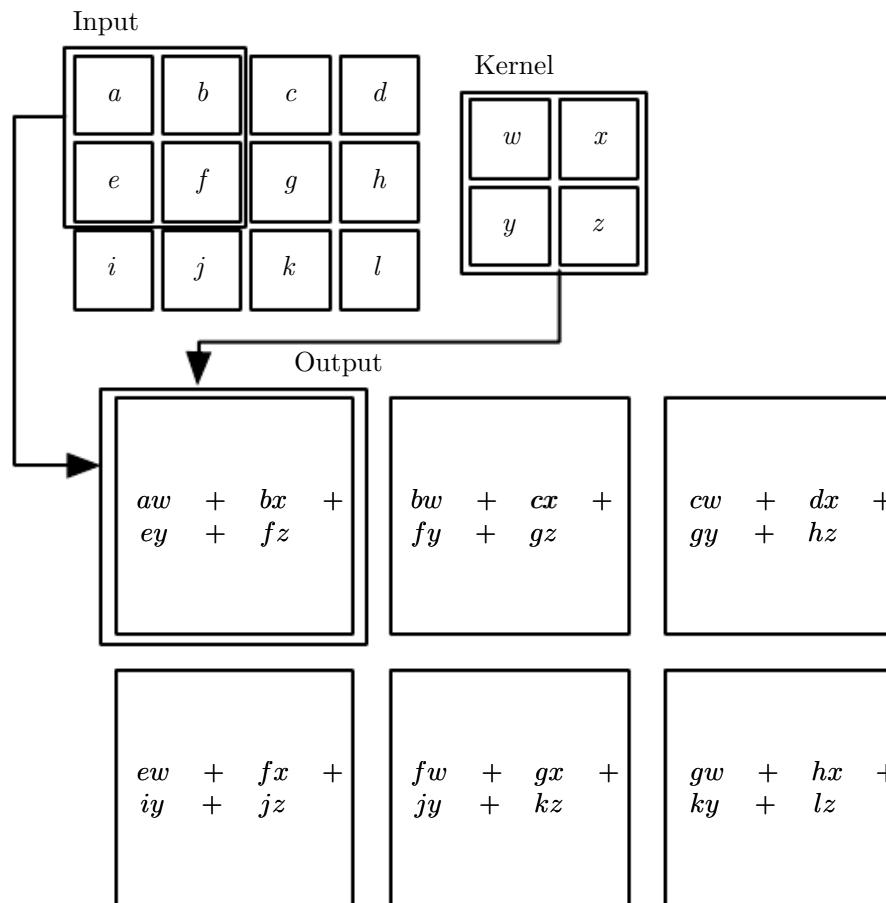
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- Neural networks libraries implement cross-correlation:

$$S(i, j) = (I * K)(i, j) = \sum_m \sum_n I(i + m, j + n)K(m, n)$$

Convolution for 2D images

- An example of 2-D convolution



Examples

- We can blur images


$$\ast$$

0	1	0
1	4	1
0	1	0

$$=$$


- We can sharpen images


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0	-1	0
-1	8	-1
0	-1	0

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Picture credits from Roger Grosse

Examples

- We can detect edges


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- Sobel filter


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1	0	-1
2	0	-2
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Quiz

What's the effect of running a normal-randomly initialized convolution on an image?

Hint: think about a 1×2 conv first.

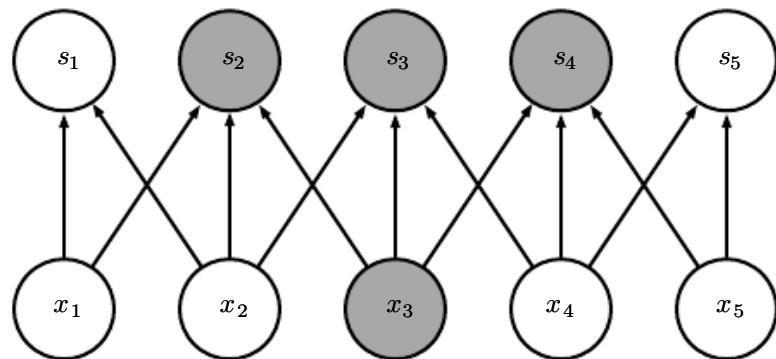
- 1) It will emphasize average-colored regions
- 2) It will emphasize edges
- 3) It will blur the image
- 4) It will sharpen the image

The motivation of convolutions

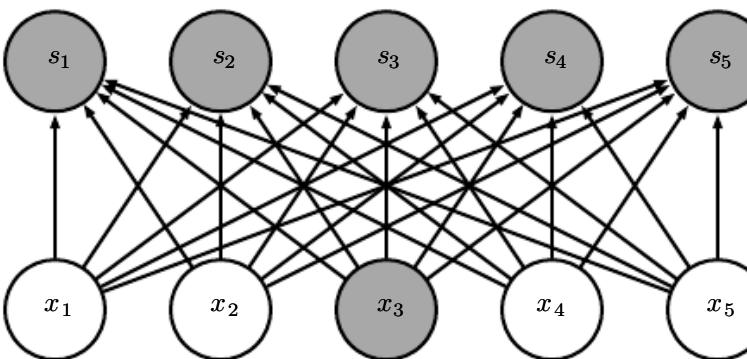
- Sparse interaction, or local connectivity
 - The receptive field of the neuron, or the filter size.
 - The connections are local in space (width and height), but always full in depth
 - A set of learnable filters
- Parameters sharing, the weights are tied
- Equivariant representation: same operation at different places

The motivation of convolutions

- Sparse interaction, or local connectivity
 - This is accomplished by making the kernel smaller than the input.
 - reduces the memory requirements of the model
 - improves its statistical efficiency.



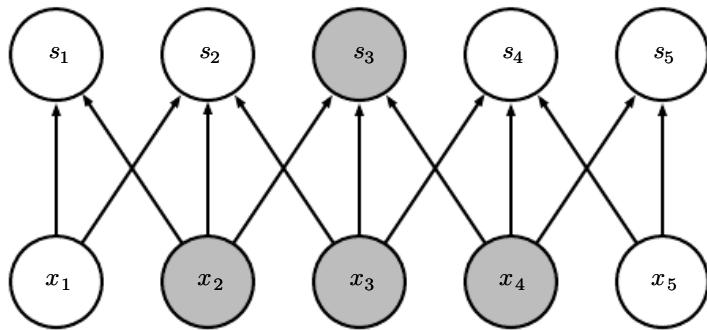
sparse connection



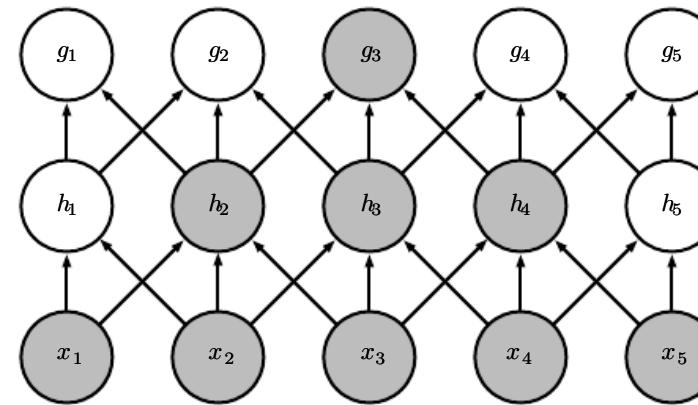
full connection

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- Sparse interaction, or local connectivity
 - Receptive field is the kernel/filter size
 - The receptive field of the units in the deeper layers of a convolutional network is larger than the receptive field of the units in the shallow layers.



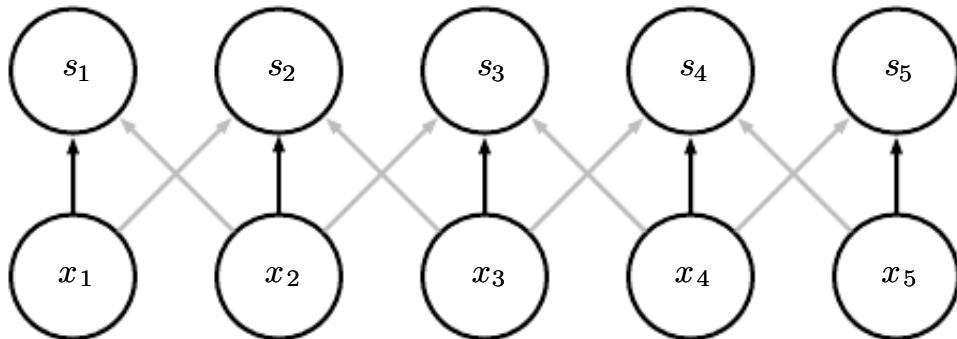
convolution with a kernel of width 3



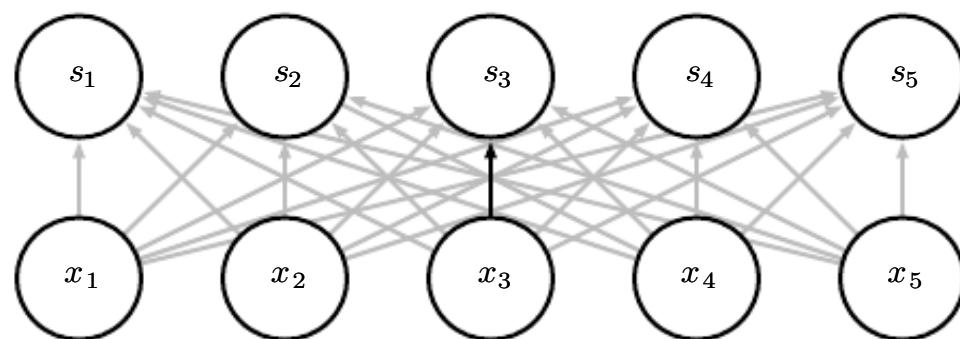
receptive field of the units in the deeper layers

The motivation of convolutions

- Parameters sharing, the weights are tied
 - refers to using the same parameter for more than one function in a model
 - each member of the kernel is used at every position of the input



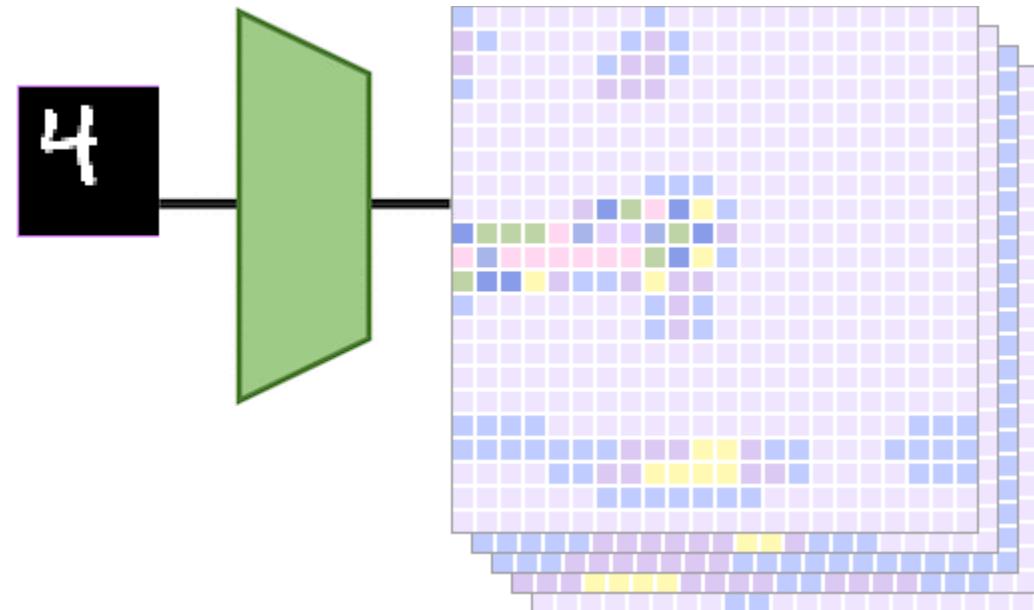
parameter sharing



no parameter sharing

The motivation of convolutions

- Equivariant representation
 - parameter sharing causes the layer to have a property called *equivariance* to translation.*
 - A function is equivariant if the input changes, the output changes in the same way.
 - why do we want equivariance to translation?



A simple convolution: saves space!

1D example

We can express convolution in terms of a matrix multiplication

$$\vec{x} * \vec{a} = X\vec{a}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x & y & x & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & y & x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & x & y & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a \\ b \\ c \\ d \\ e \\ f \\ g \\ h \\ i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ay + bz \\ ax + by + cz \\ bx + cy + dz \\ cx + dy \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: 1D conv, kernel size=3, stride=1, padding=1

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline a & b & c \\ \hline d & e & f \\ \hline g & h & i \\ \hline \end{array} \star \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 1 & 2 \\ \hline 3 & 4 & 5 \\ \hline 6 & 7 & 8 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

w

x

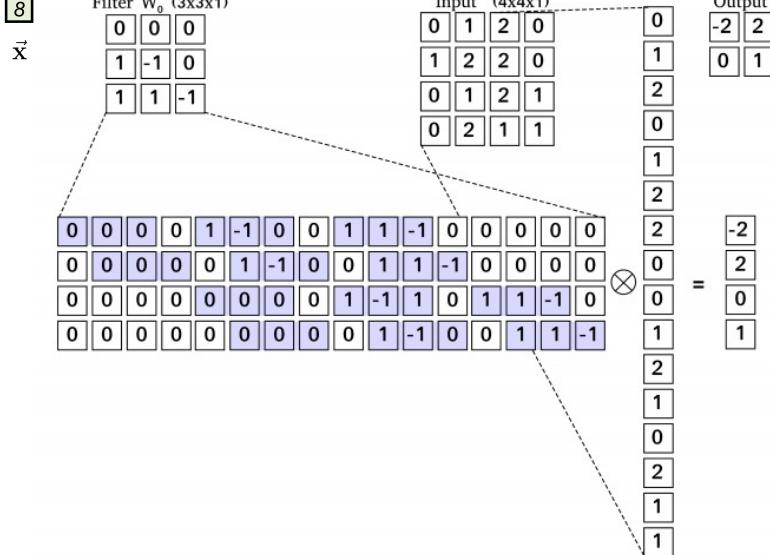
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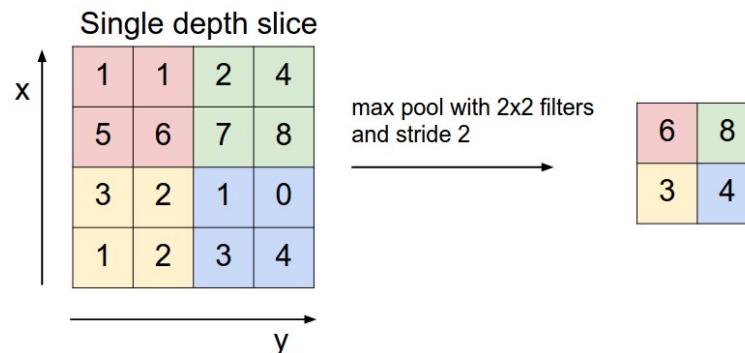
\vec{x}

2D examples



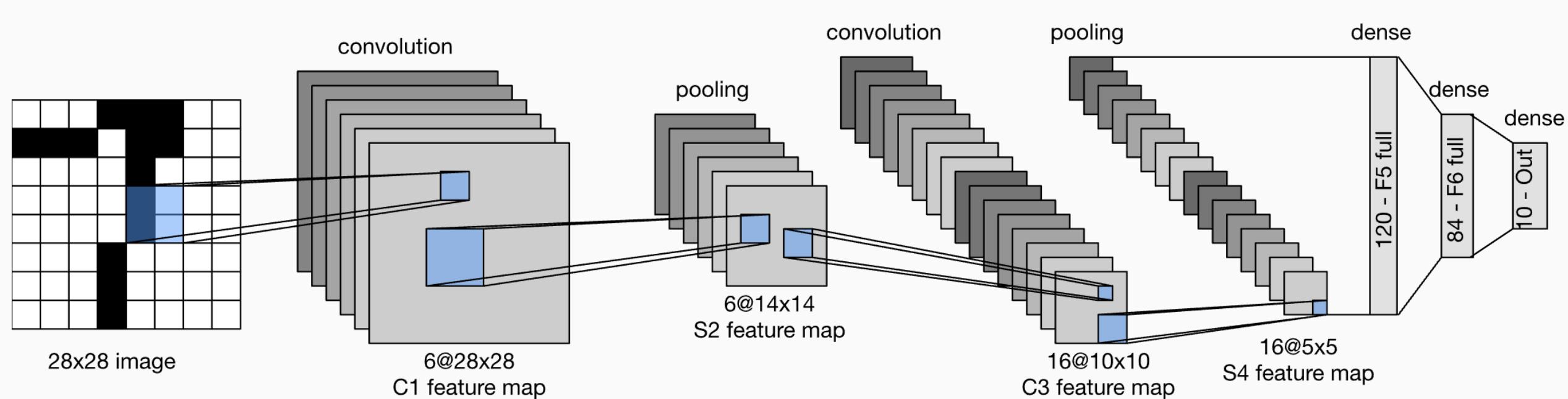
The pooling operations (not 🏊)

- A pooling function
 - replaces the output of the net at a certain location with a summary statistic of the nearby outputs.
 - e.g., max pooling operation reports the maximum output within a rectangular neighbourhood.
 - How could you implement circle-shaped pooling?
 - can reduce spatial size and thus improve the computational efficiency
 - pooling over spatial regions produces invariance to translation
 - pooling is essential for handling inputs of varying size.



LeNet-5

- LeNet-5 was one of the earliest convolutional neural networks
- Yann LeCun et al. first applied the backpropagation algorithm
- Two convolutional layers and three fully-connected layers (→ 5-layer deep)



AlexNet: similar principles, but some extra engineering.

“AlexNet” — Won the ILSVRC2012 Challenge

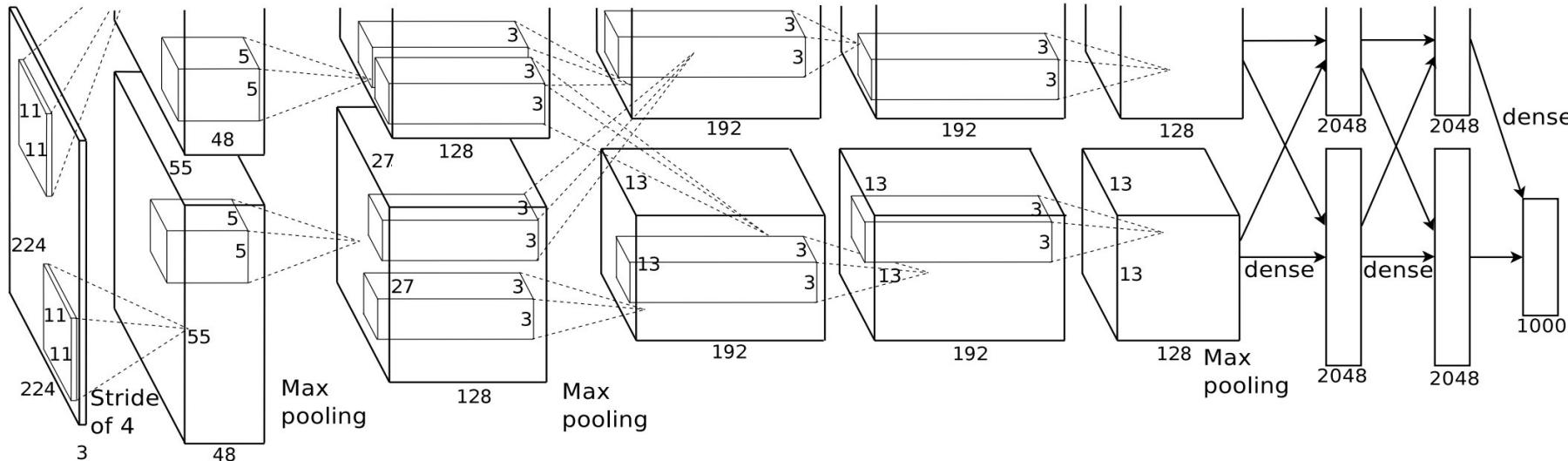


Fig Major breakthrough: 15.3% Top-5 error on
ILSVRC2012 (Next best: 25.7%)

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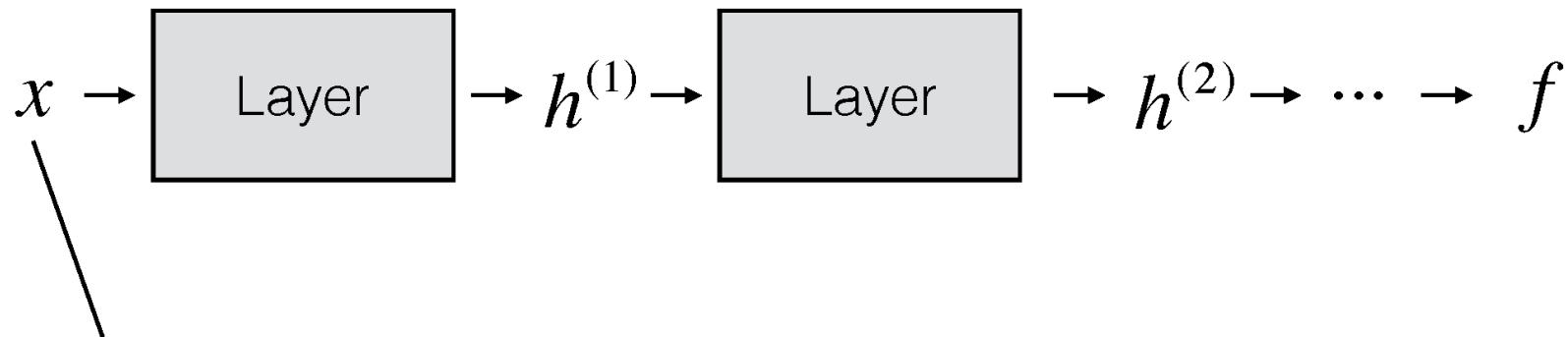
[Krizhevsky, Sutskever, Hinton.]

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ConvNets

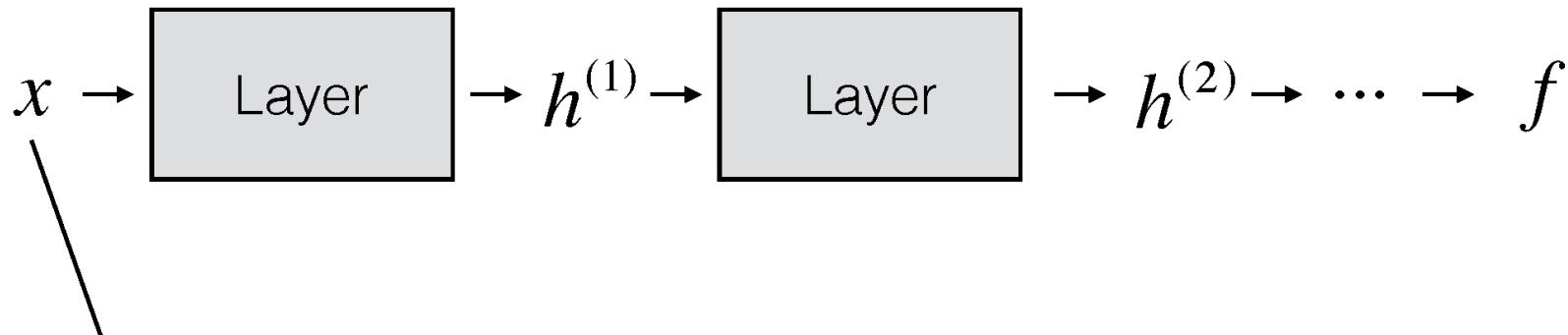
They're just neural networks with
3D activations and weight sharing

What shape should the activations have?



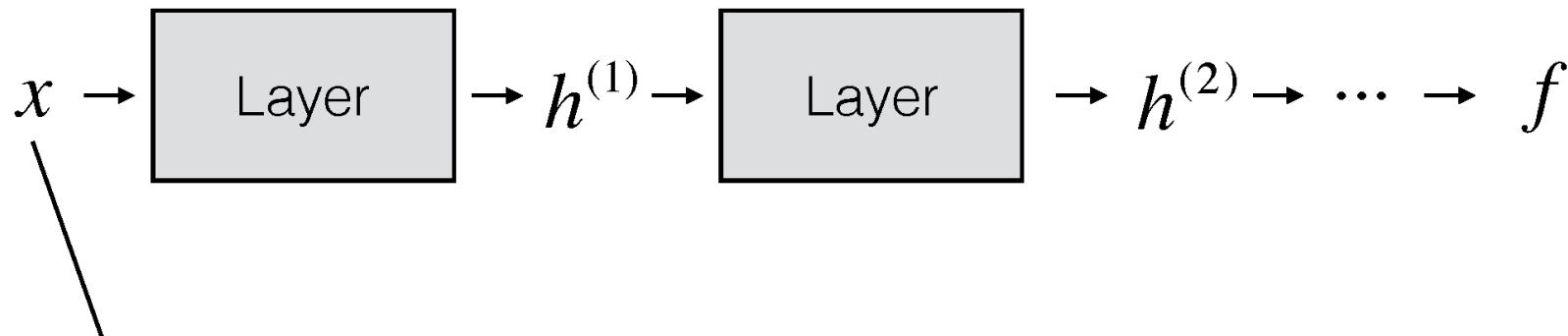
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3D Activations

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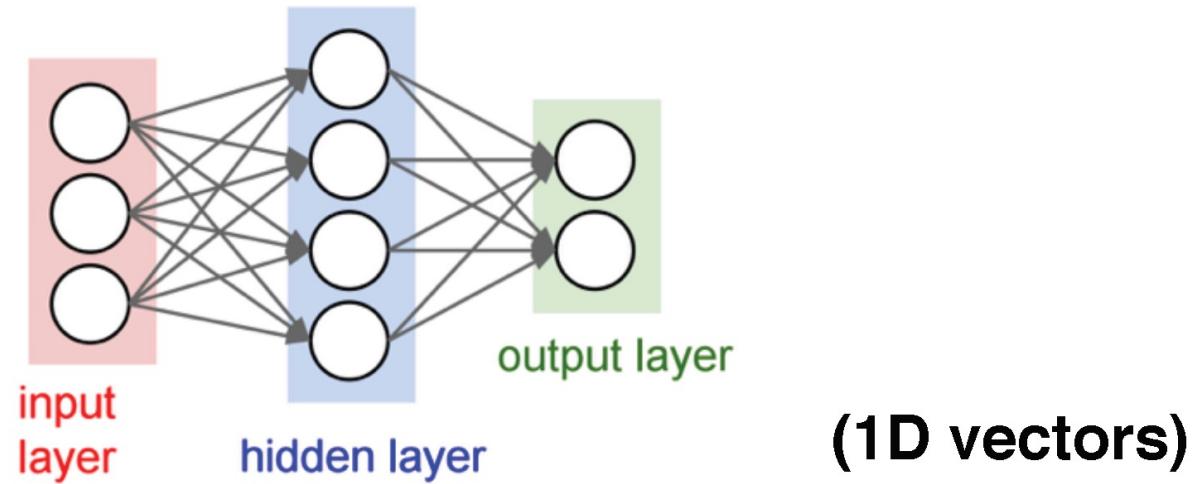
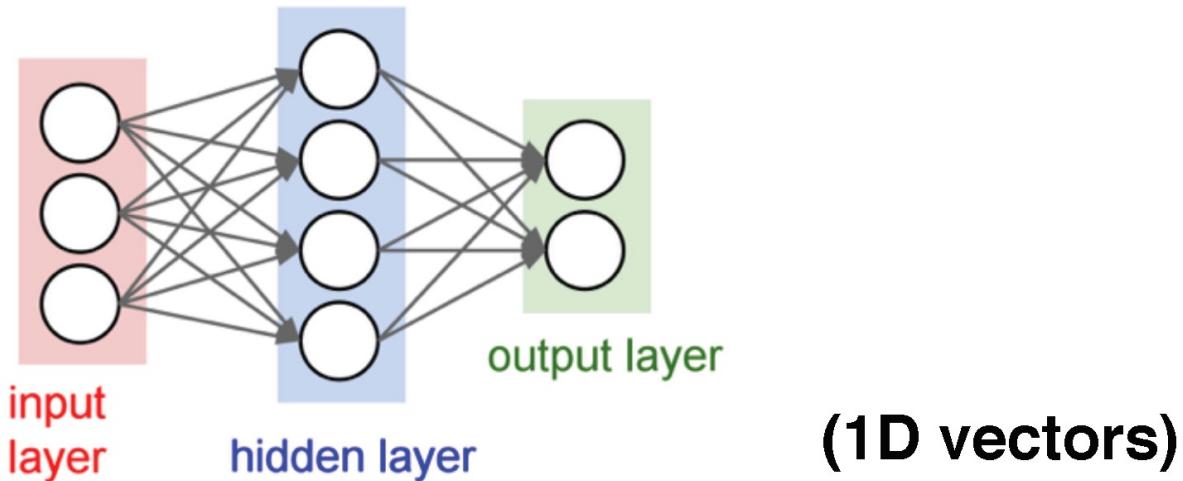


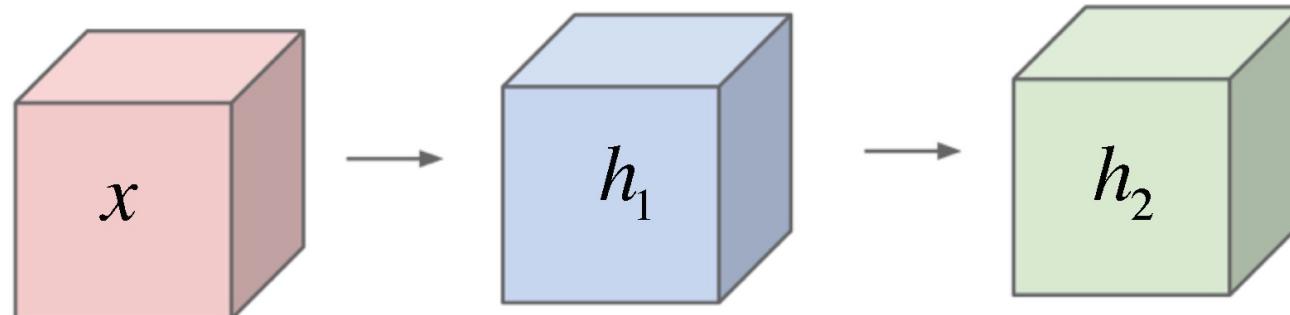
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before:



now:



(3D arrays)

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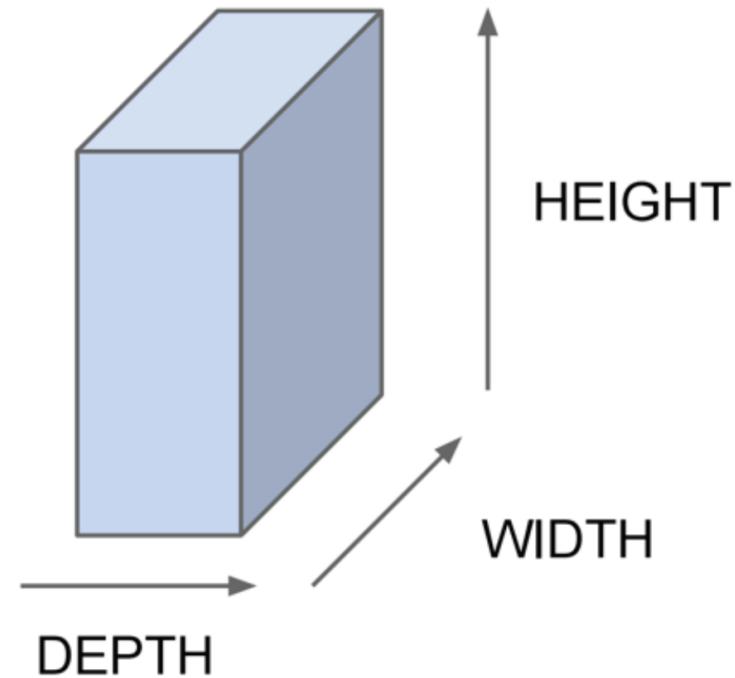
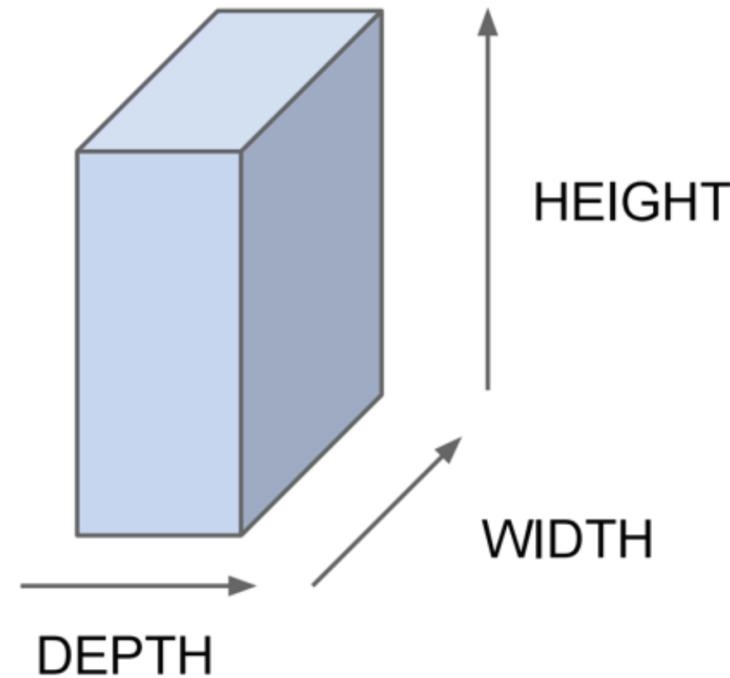


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For example, a CIFAR-10 image is a 3x32x32 volume
(3 depth — RGB channels, 32 height, 32 width)

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1D Activations:

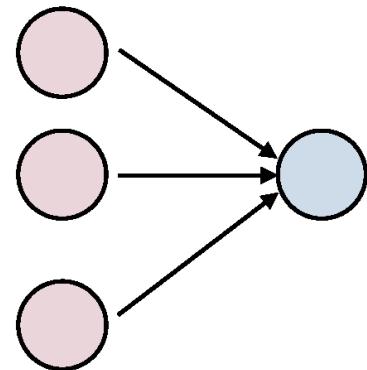
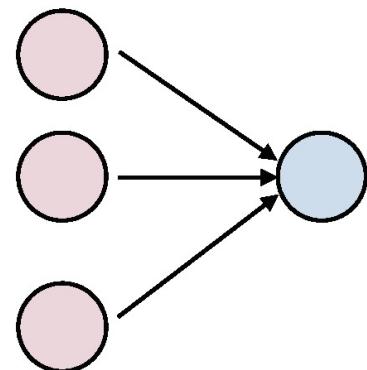


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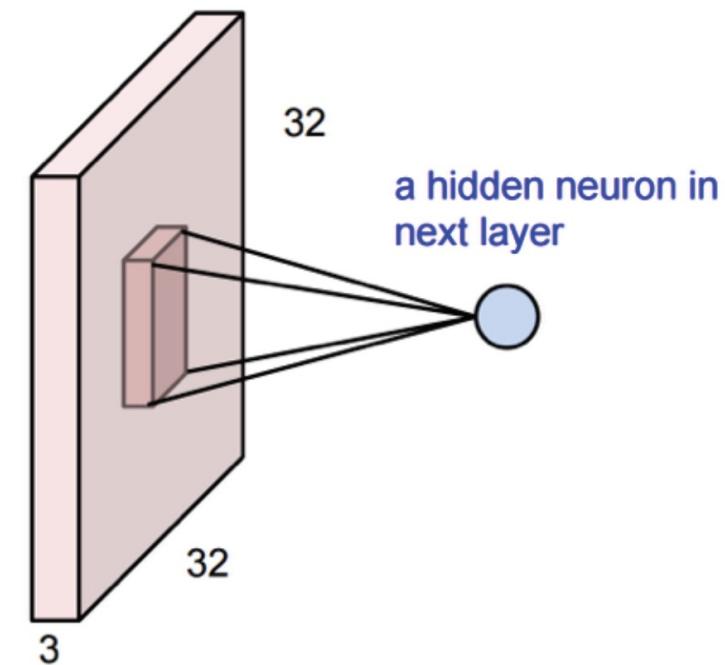
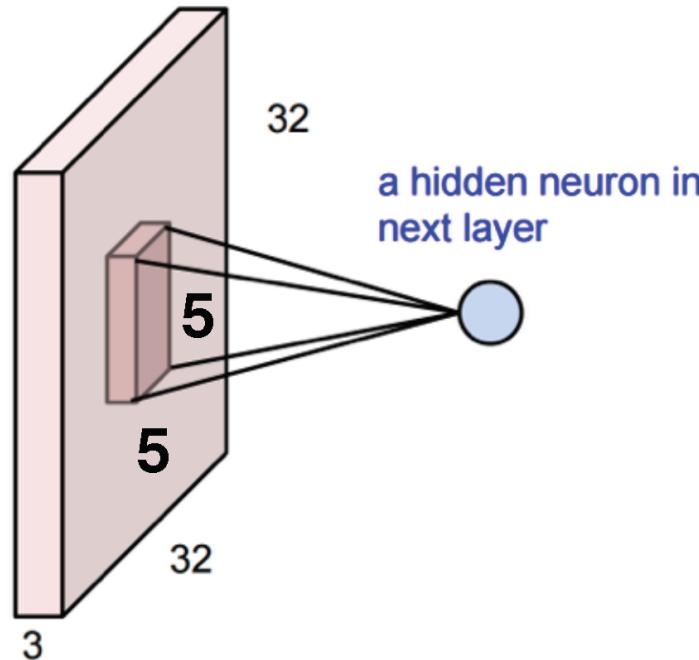


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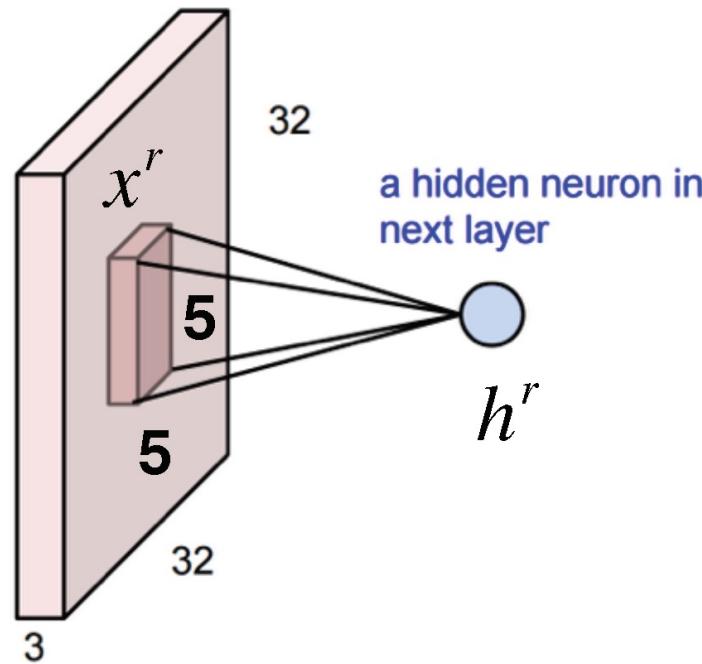
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- The input is $3 \times 32 \times 32$
- This neuron depends on a $3 \times 5 \times 5$ chunk of the input
- The neuron also has a $3 \times 5 \times 5$ set of weights and a bias (scalar)

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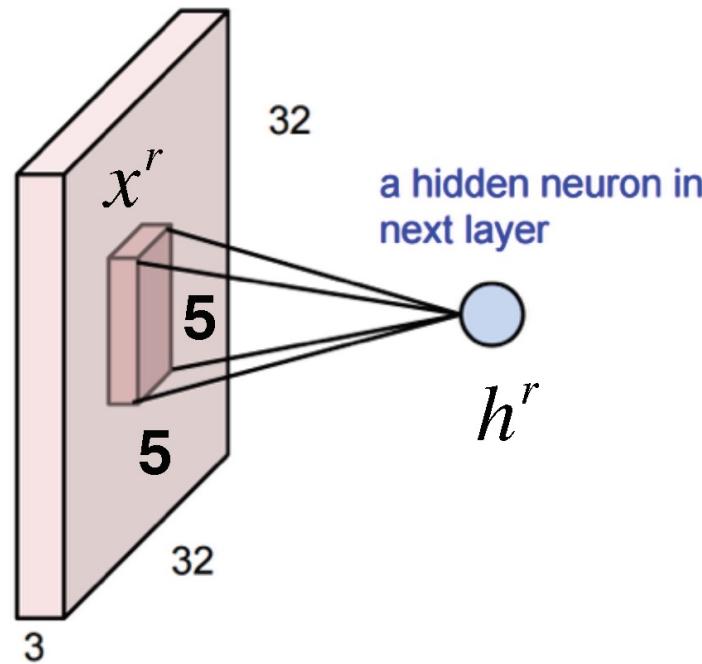


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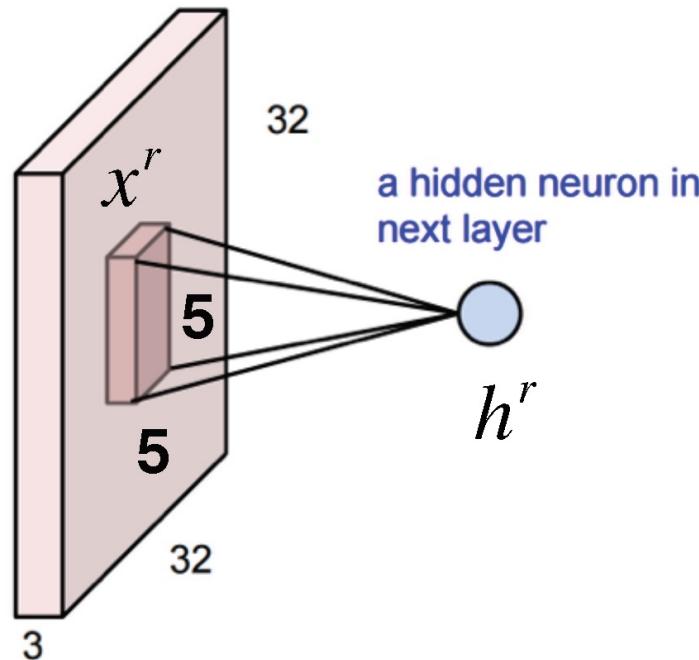
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Sum over 3 axes

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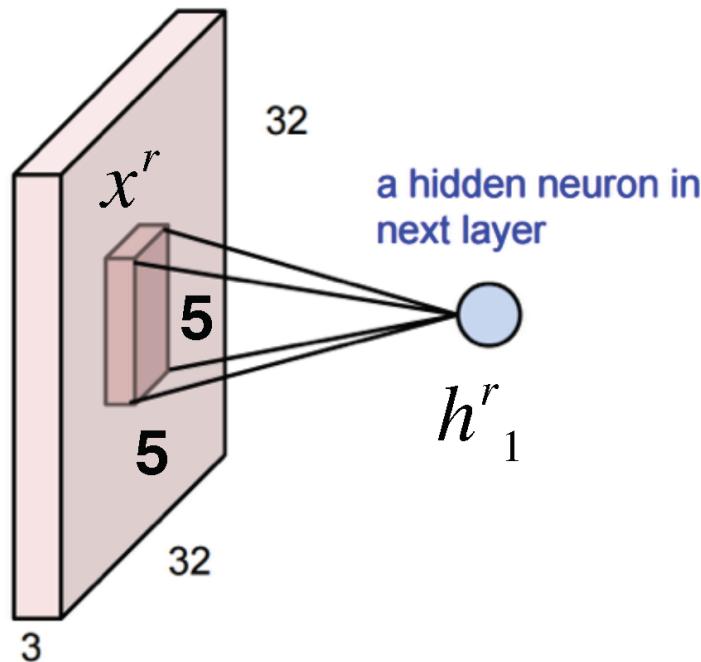


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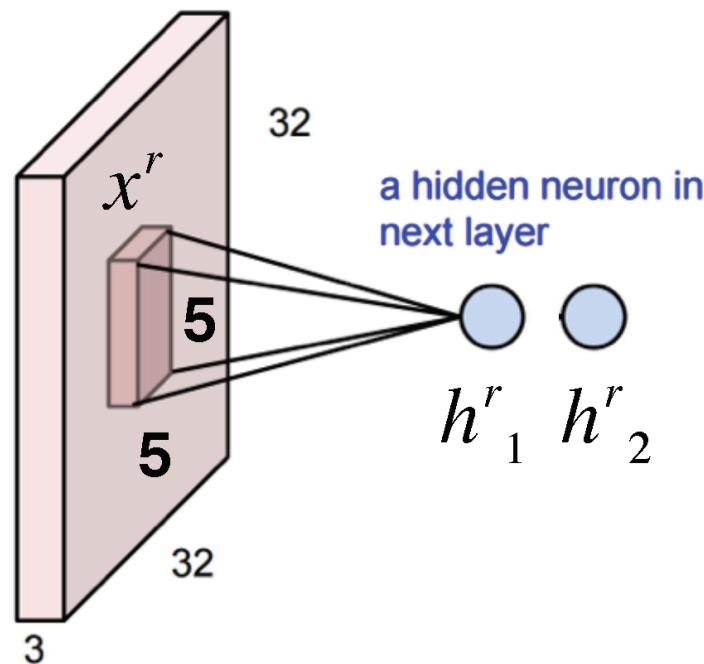
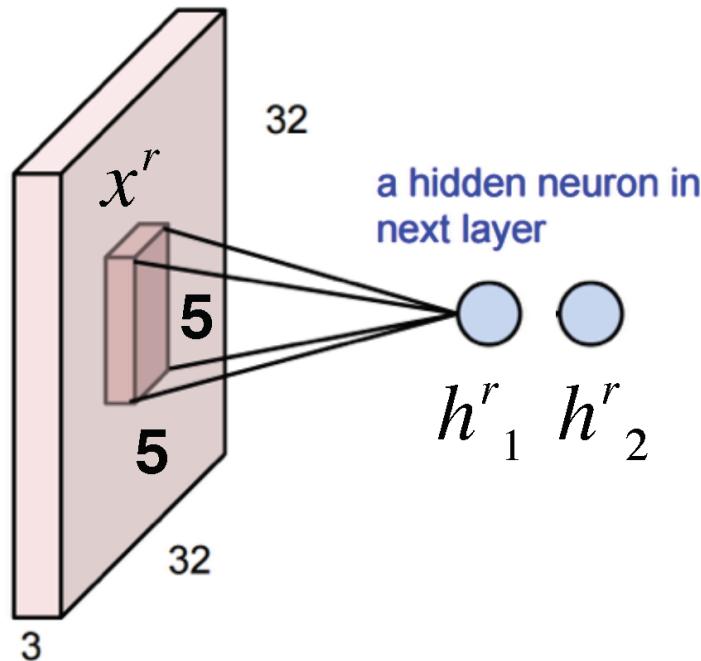


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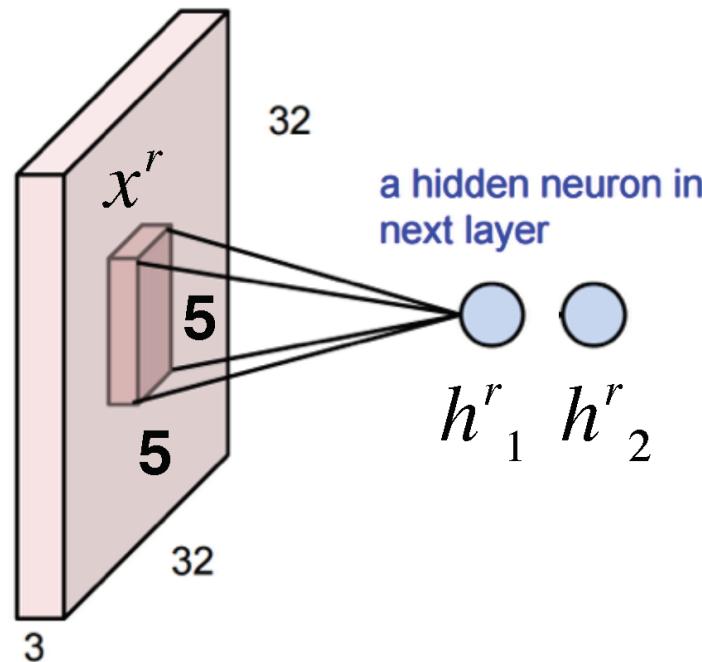
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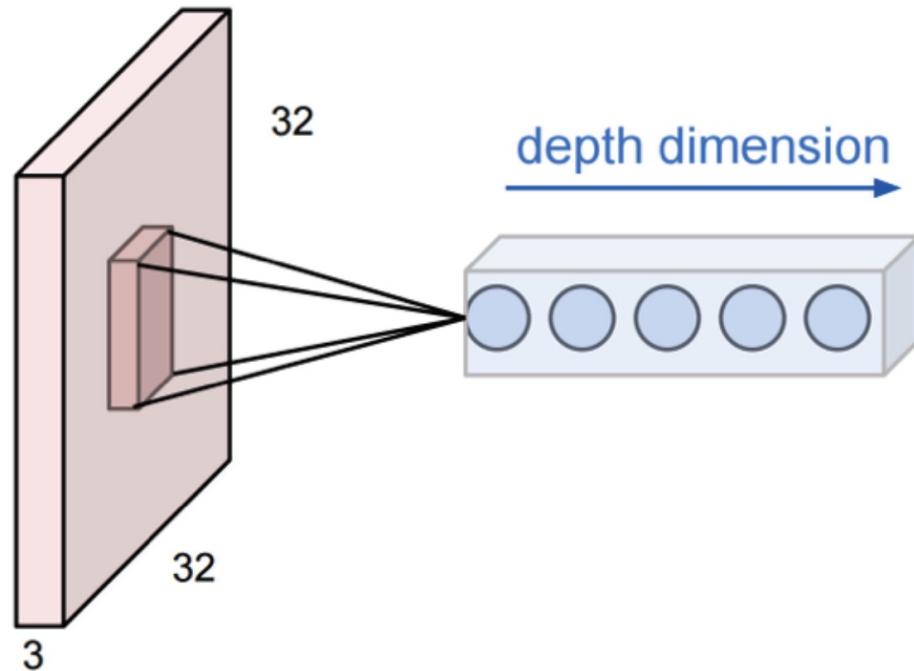
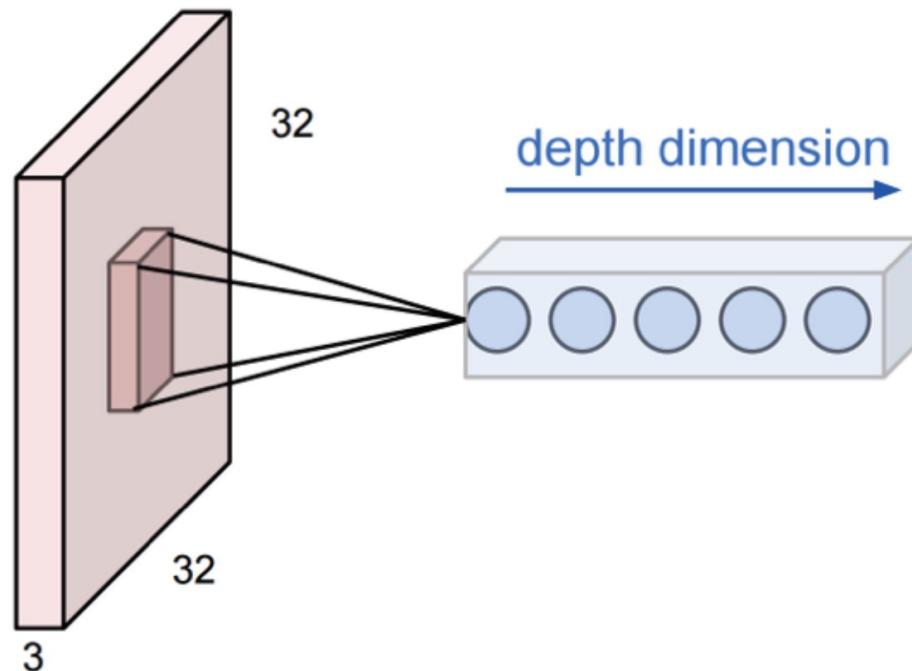


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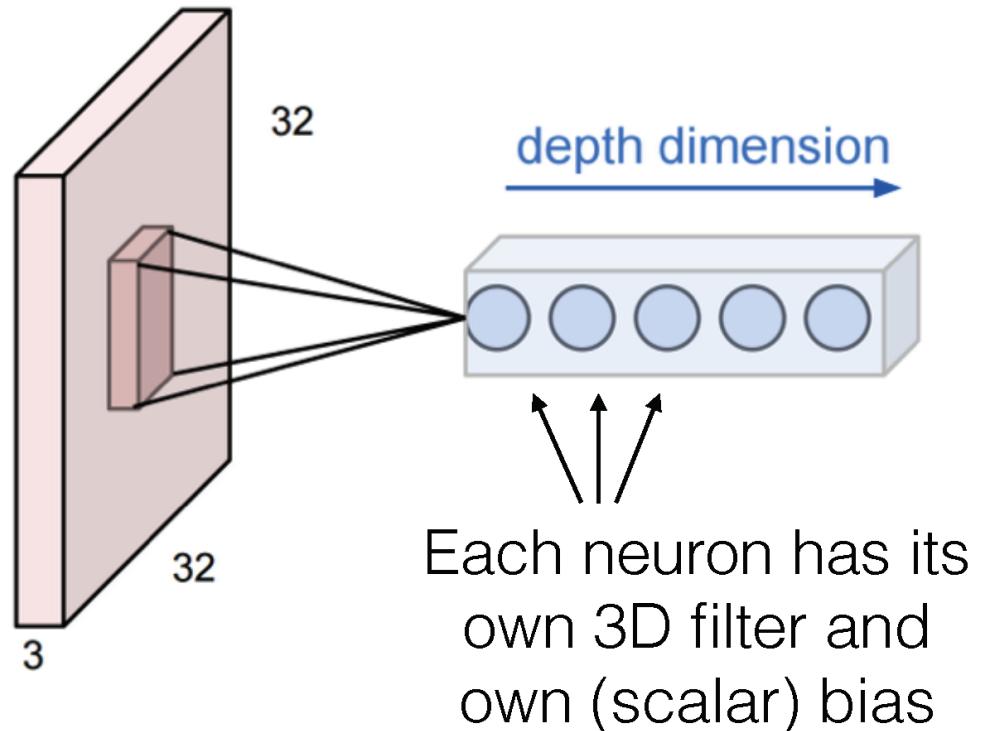


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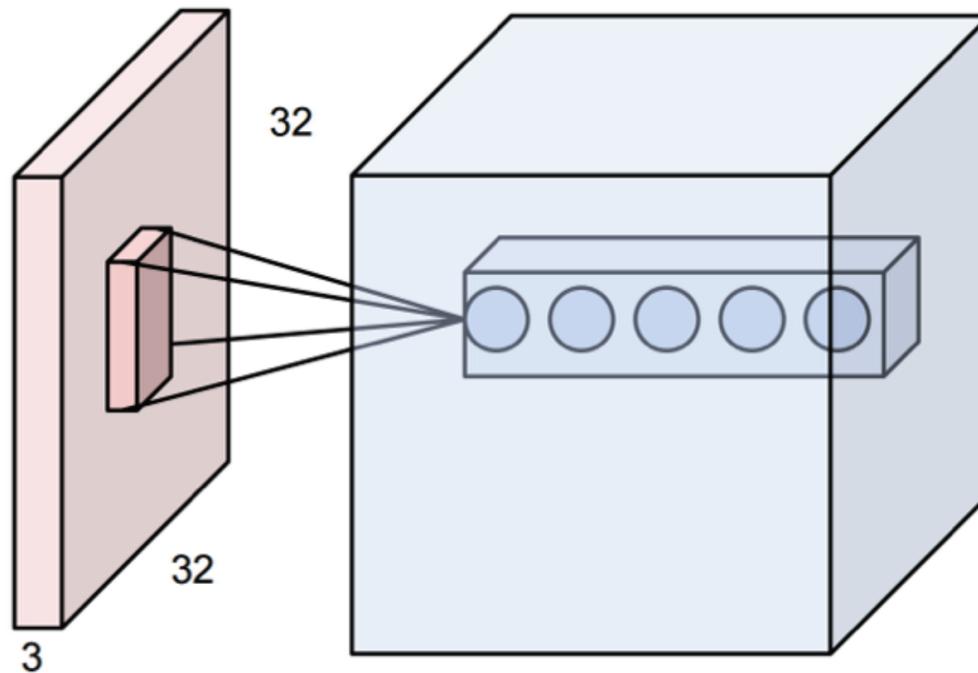


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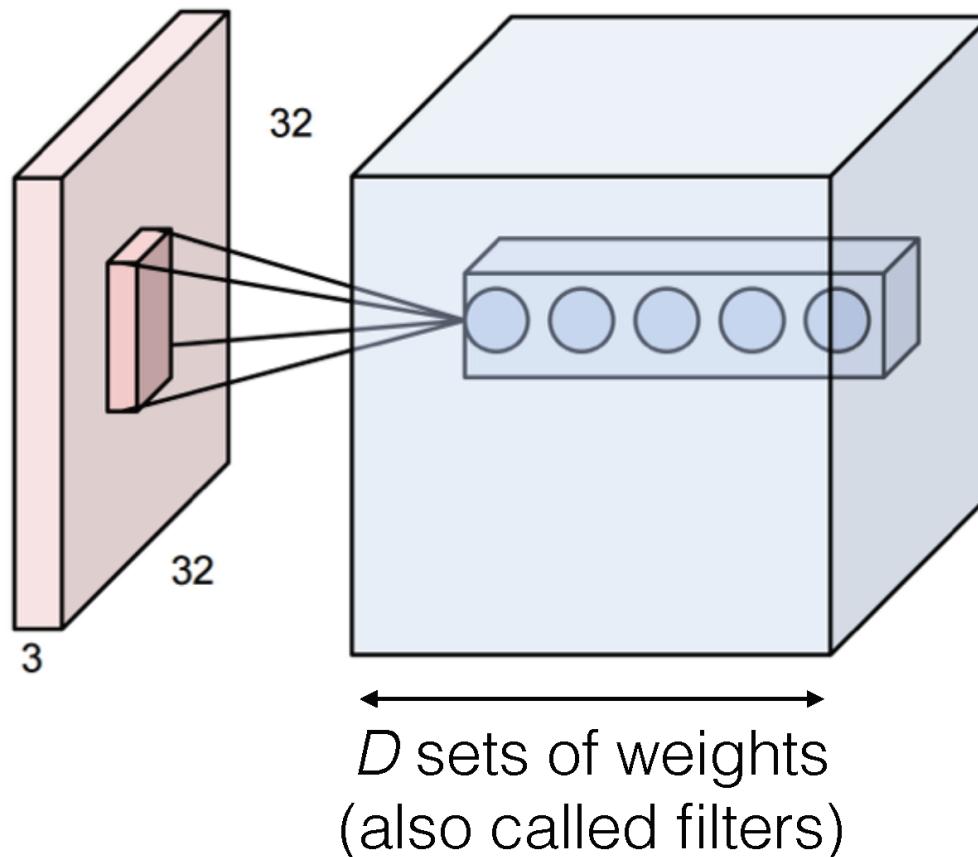


D sets of weights
(also called filters)

Now repeat this
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Weight sharing:
Each filter shares
the same weights
(but each depth
index has its own
set of weights)

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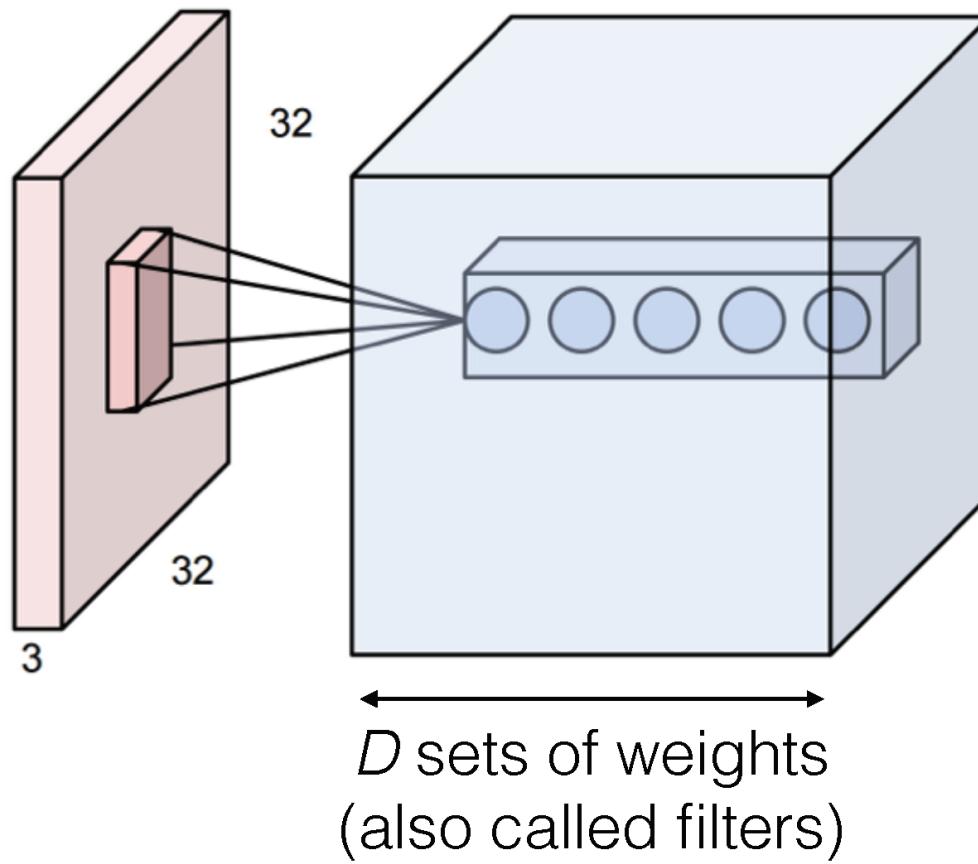
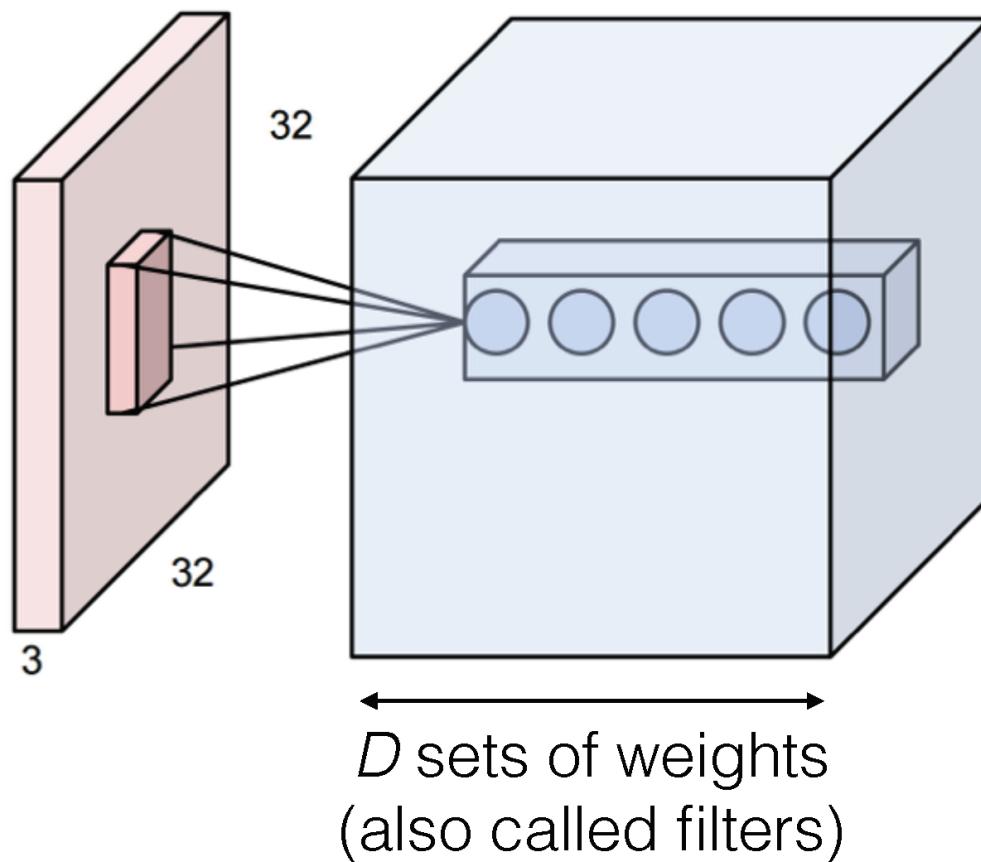


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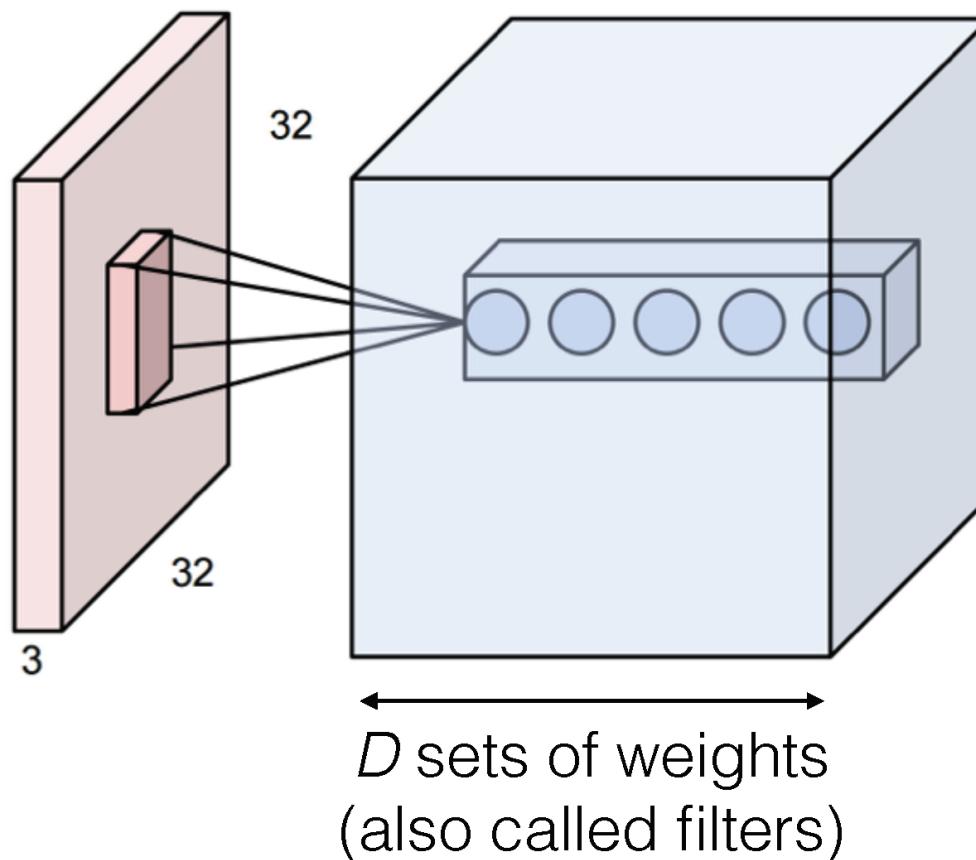
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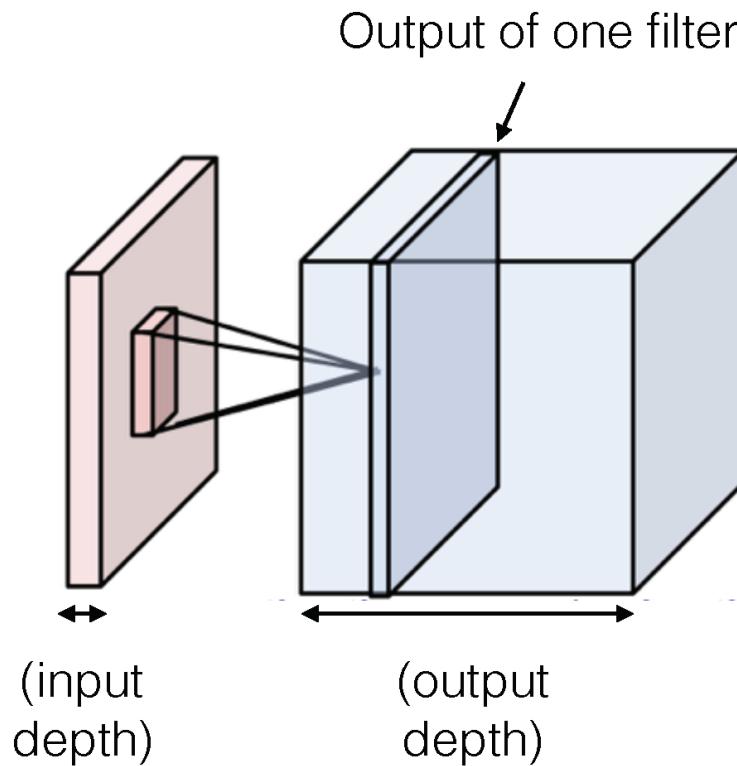


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Without weight sharing,
this is called a
**locally
connected layer**

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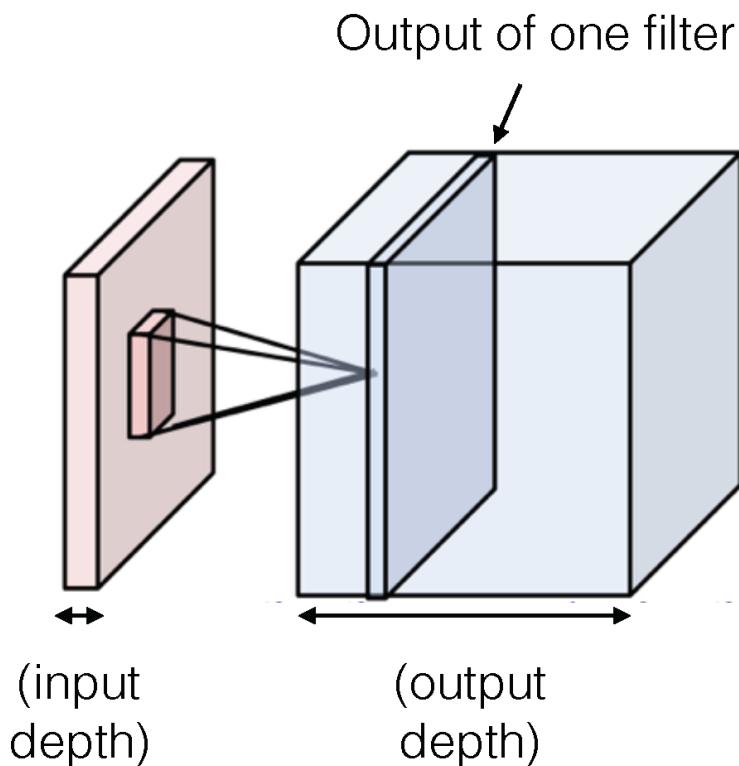


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All together, the weights are **4** dimensional:
(output depth, input depth, kernel height, kernel width)

3D Activations

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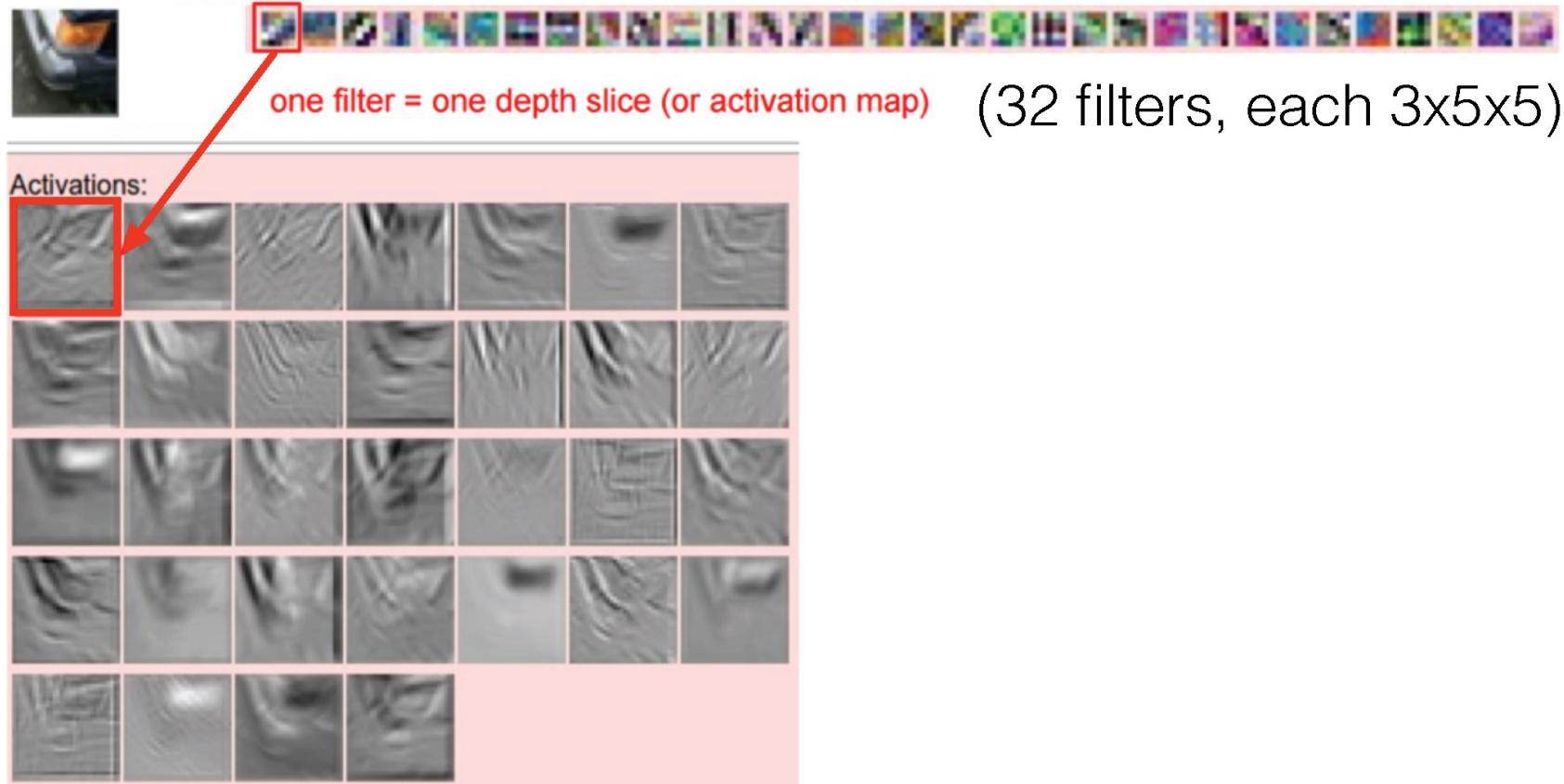


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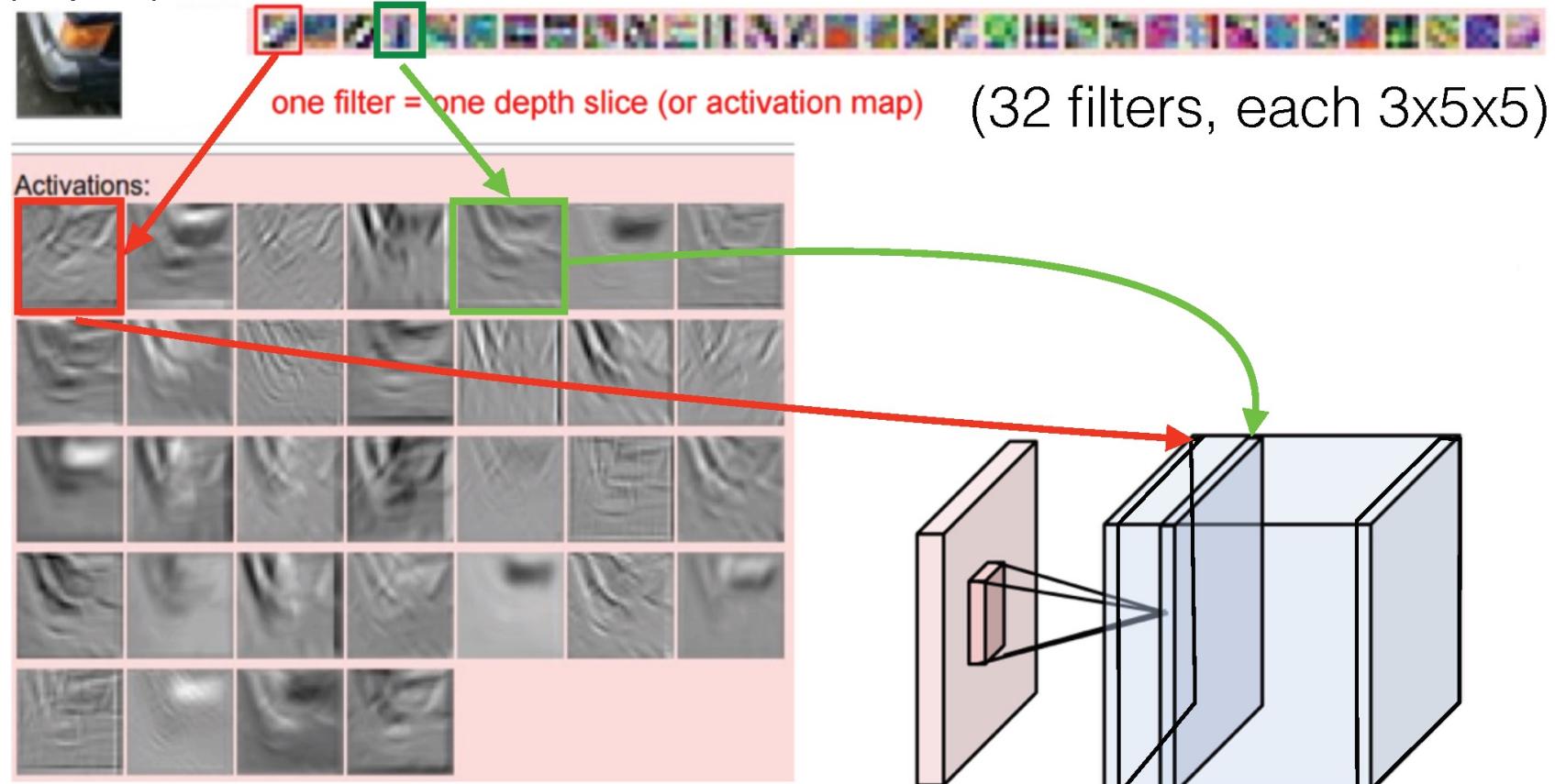


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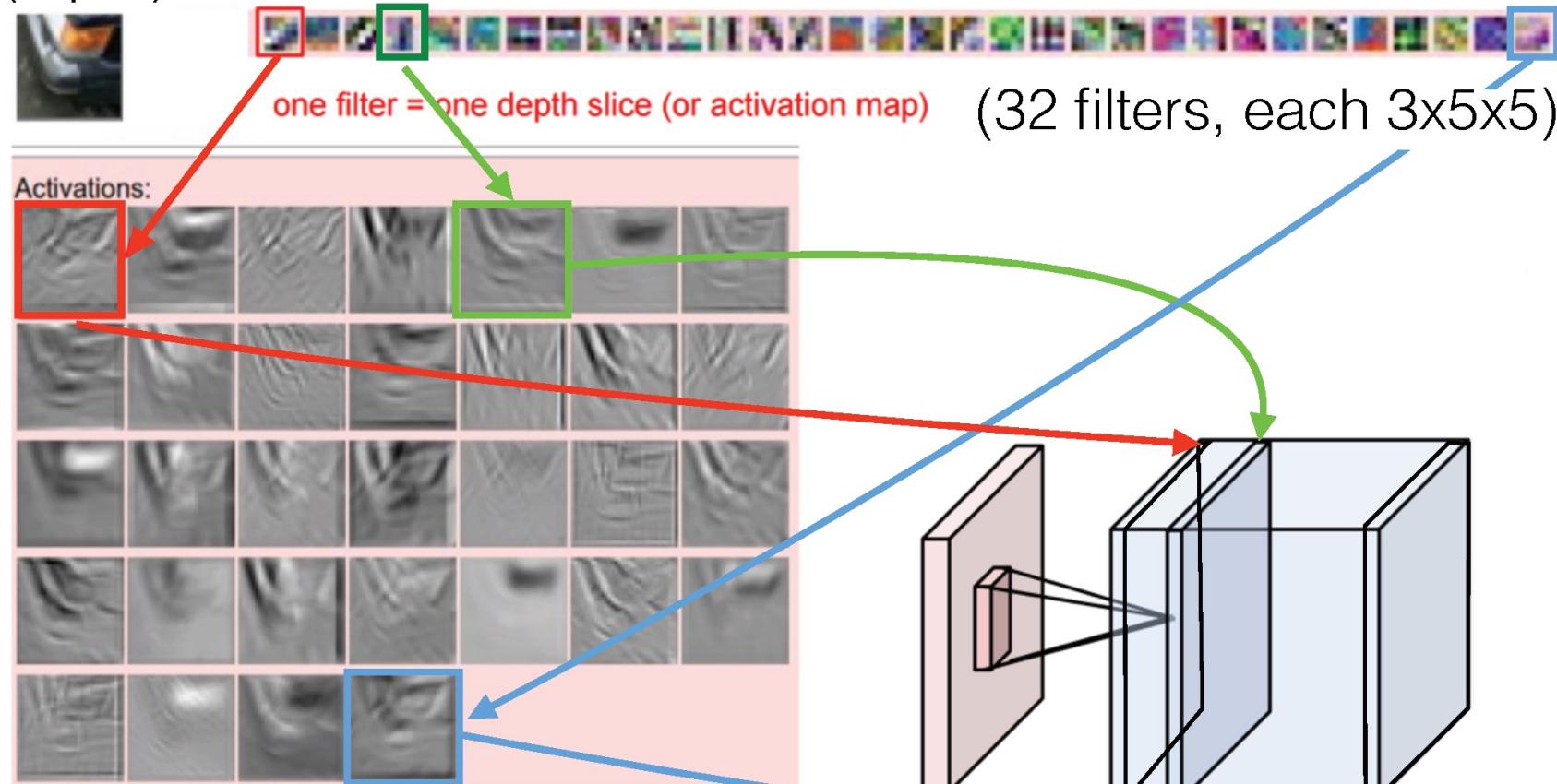
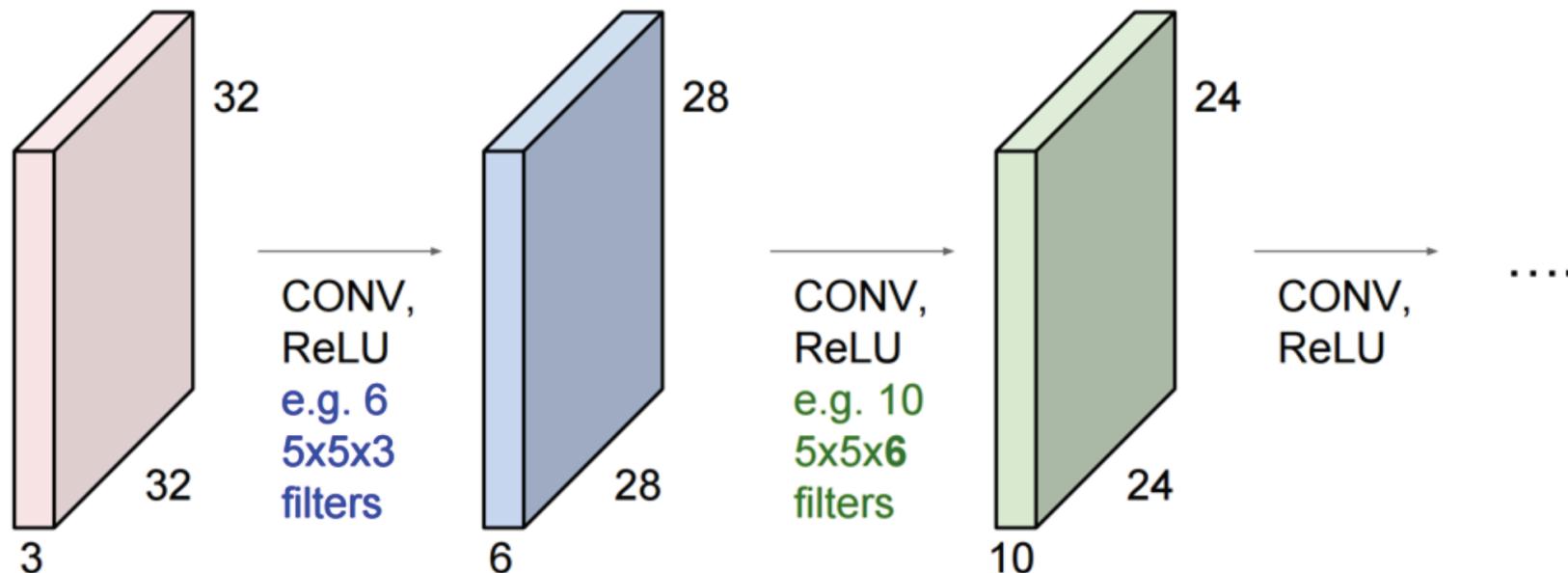


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Putting it together

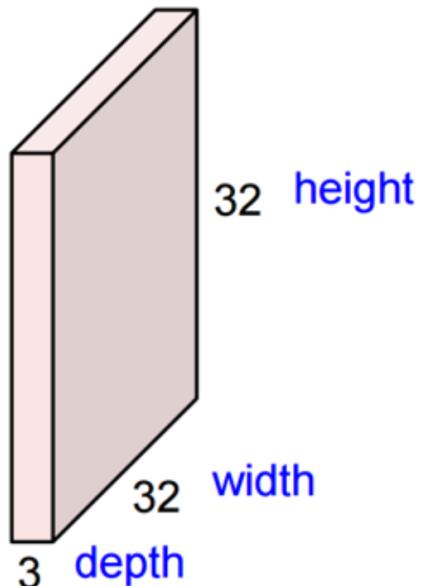
A **ConvNet** is a sequence of convolutional layers, interspersed with activation functions (and possibly other layer types)



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Convolution Layer

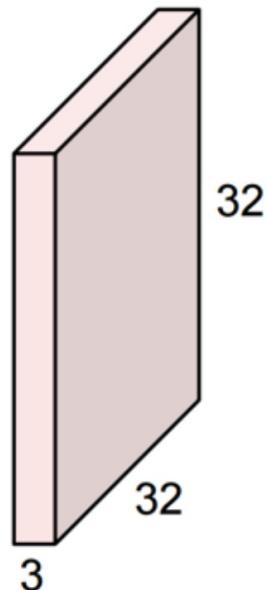
32x32x3 image



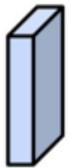
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Convolution Layer

32x32x3 image



5x5x3 filter

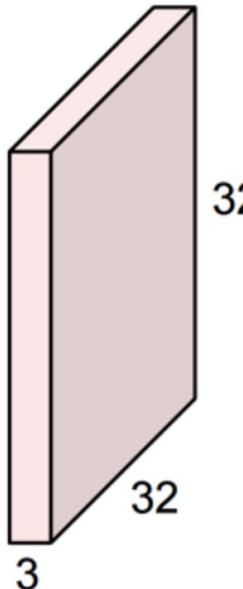


Convolve the filter with the image
i.e. “slide over the image spatially,
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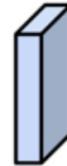
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Convolution Layer

32x32x3 image



5x5x3 filter

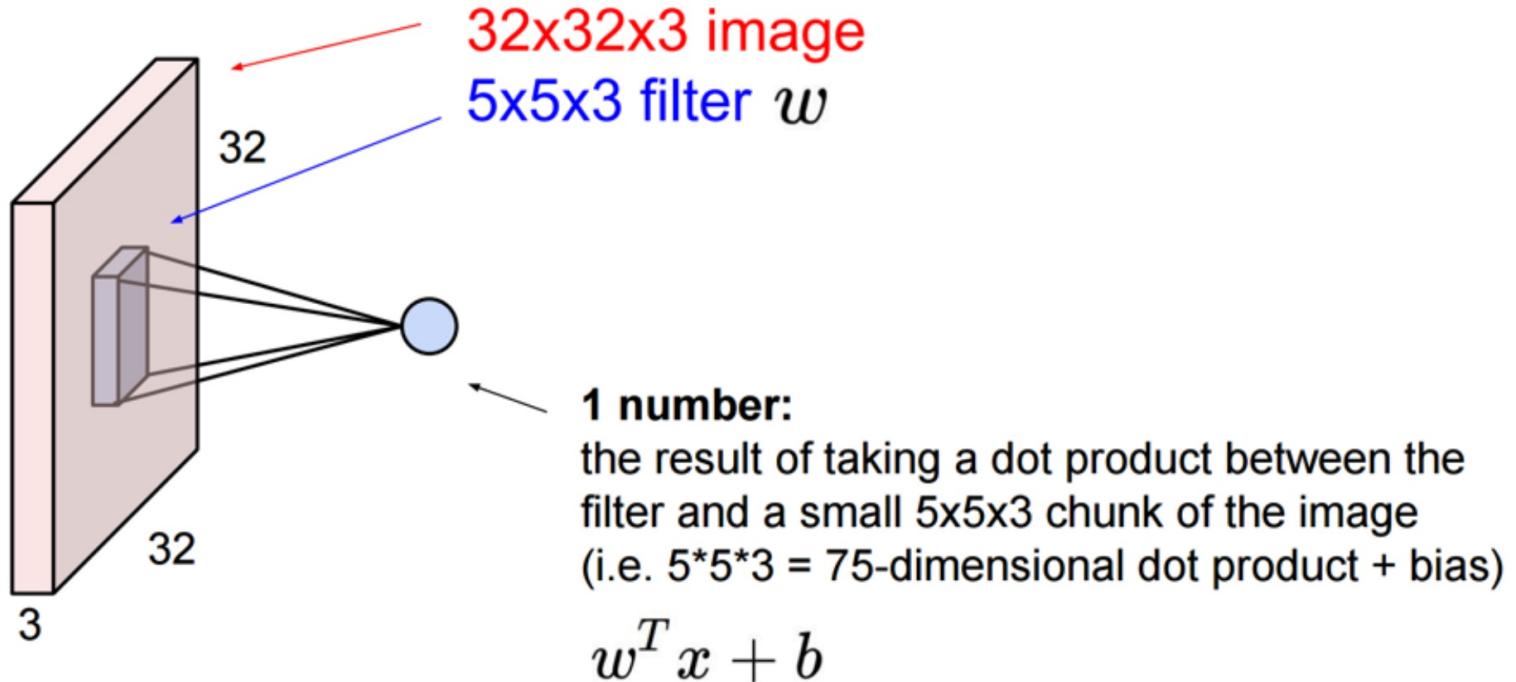


Filters always extend the full depth of the input volume

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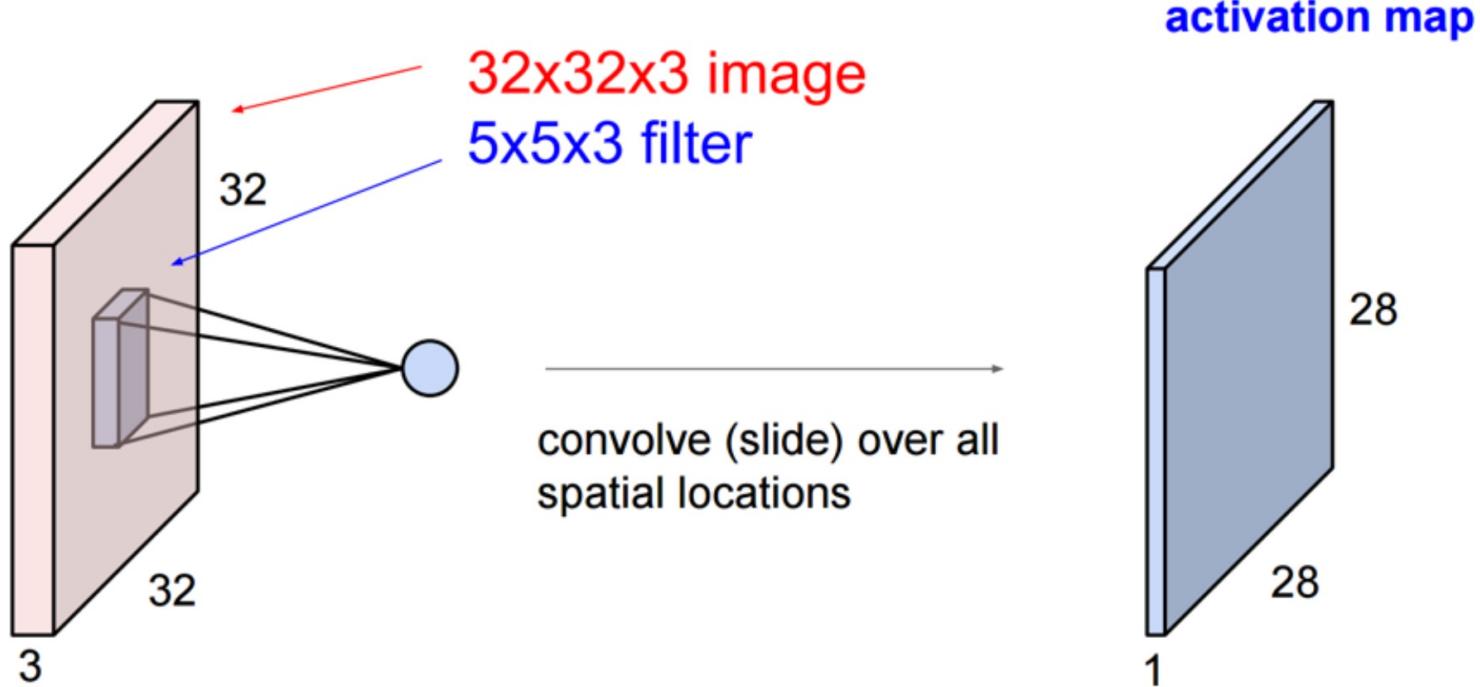
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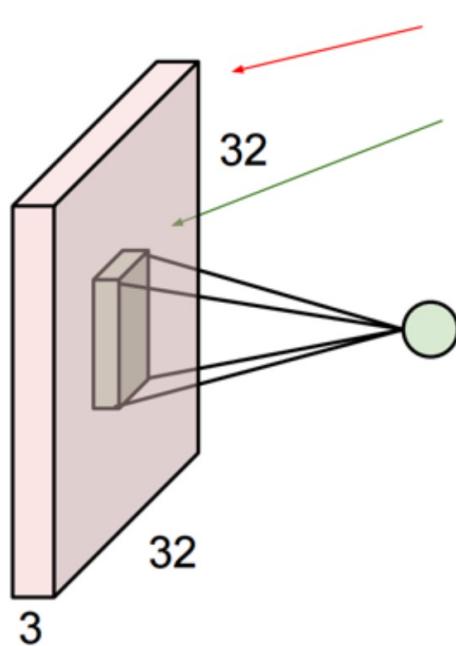
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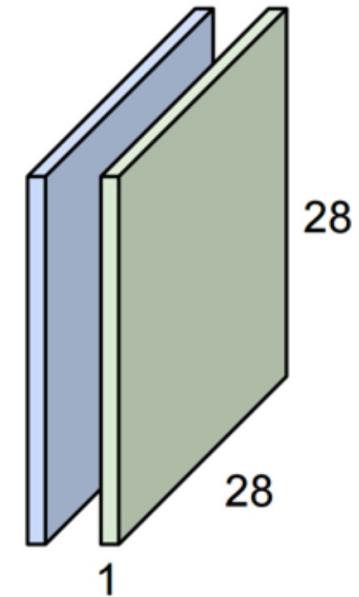
consider a second, **green** filter

32x32x3 image

5x5x3 filter

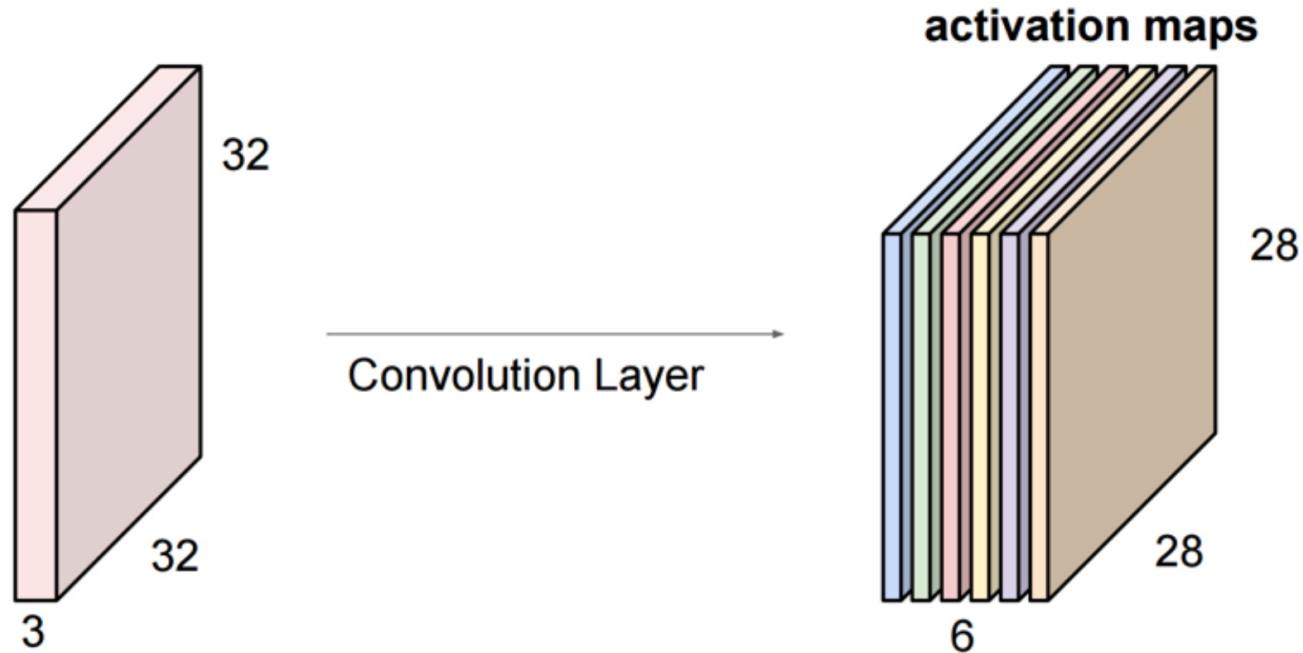
convolve (slide) over all
spatial locations

activation maps



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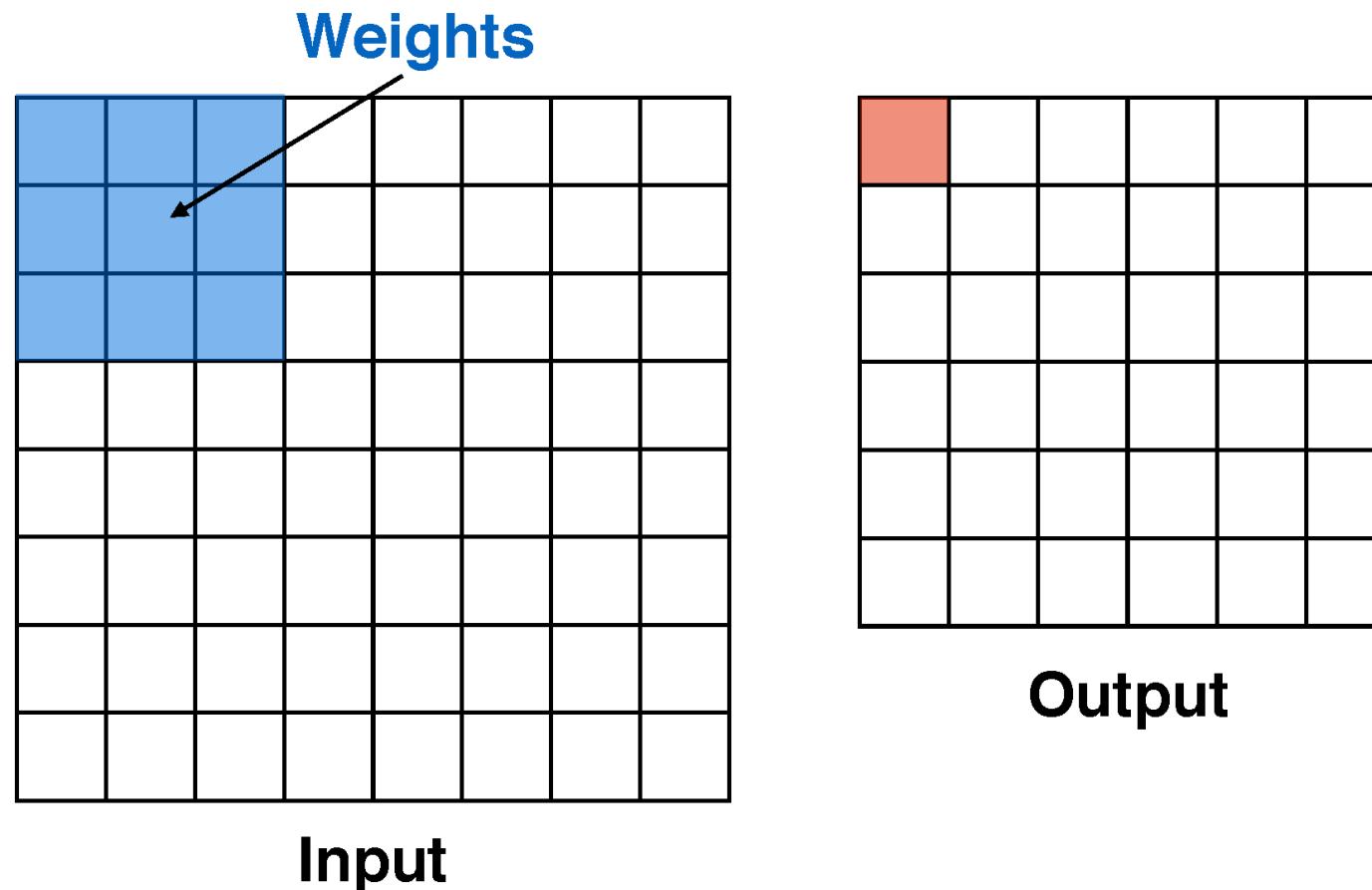
For example, if we had 6 5x5 filters, we'll get 6 separate activation maps:



We stack these up to get a “new image” of size 28x28x6!

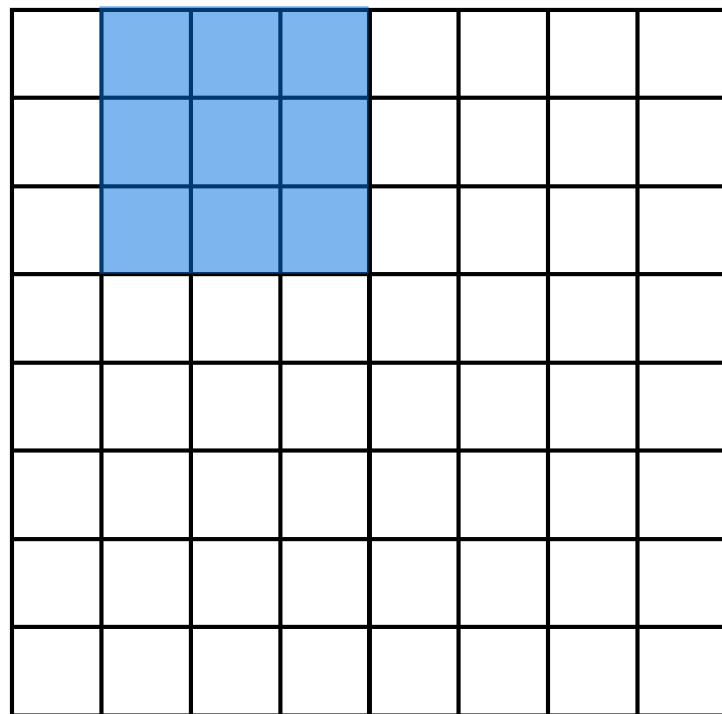
Convolution: Stride

During convolution, the weights “slide” along the input to generate each output

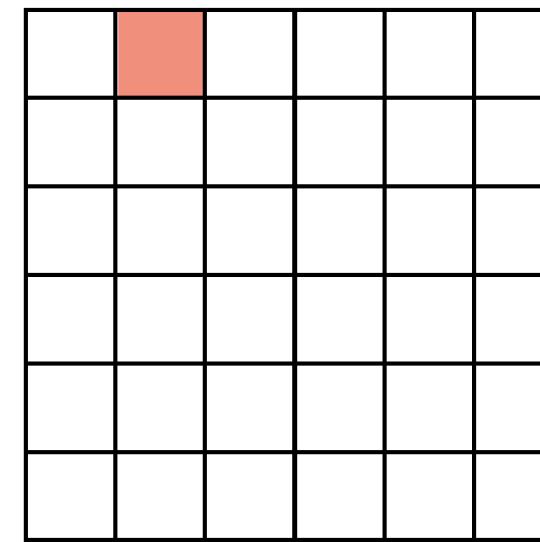


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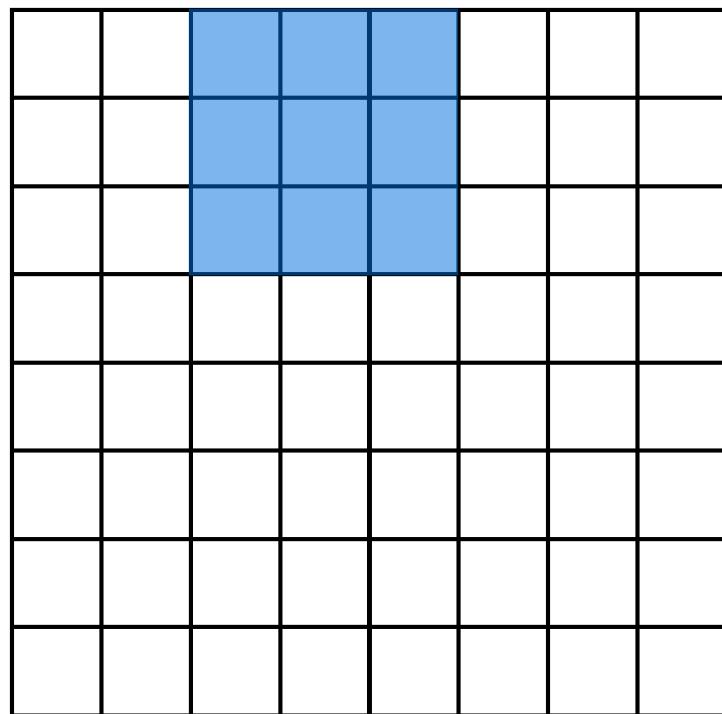
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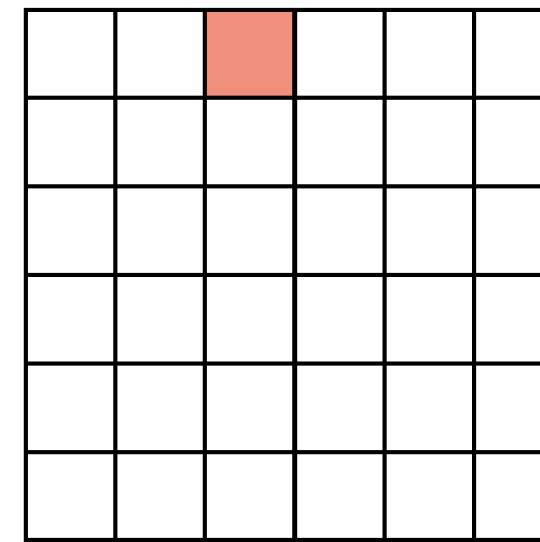
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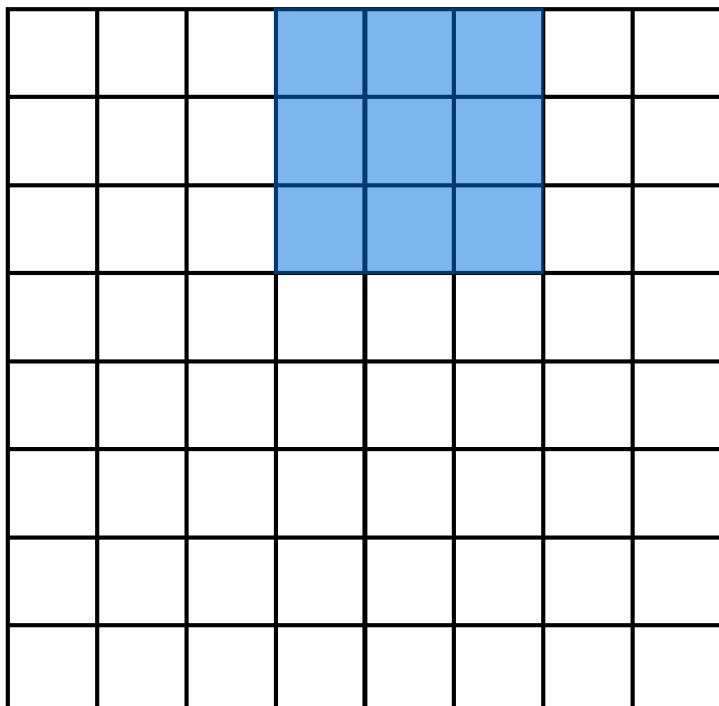
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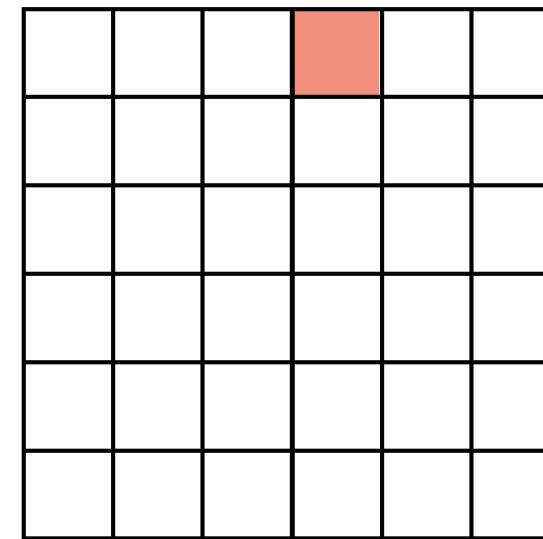
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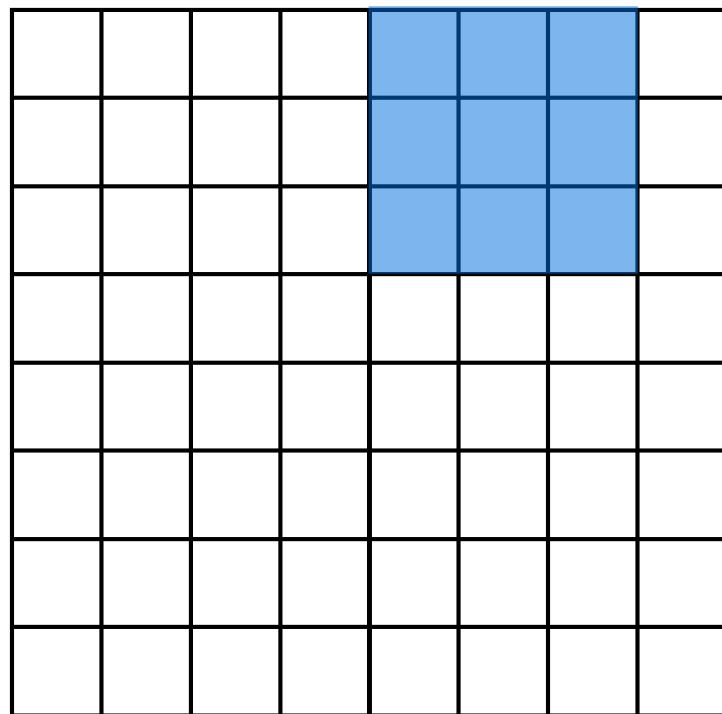
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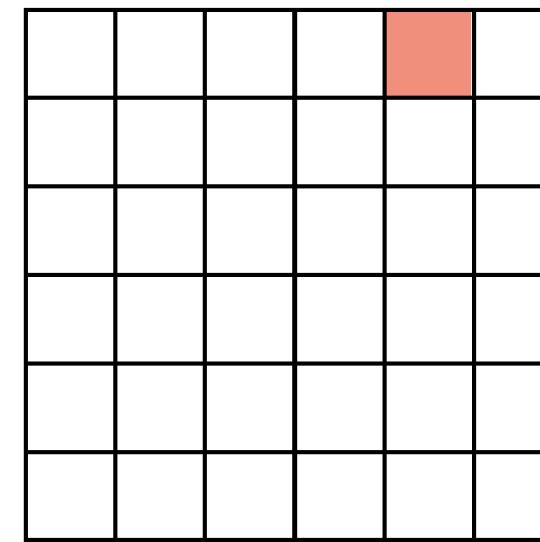
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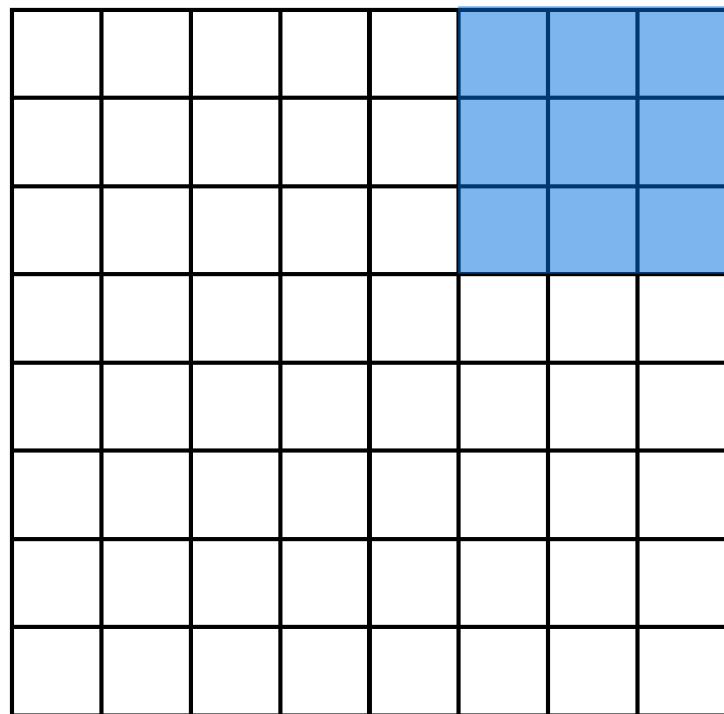
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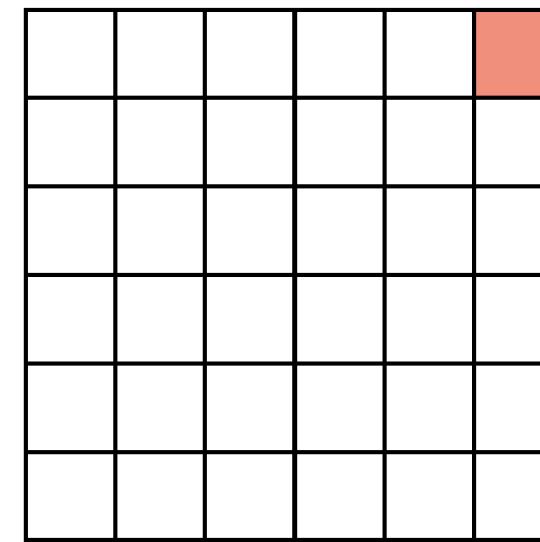
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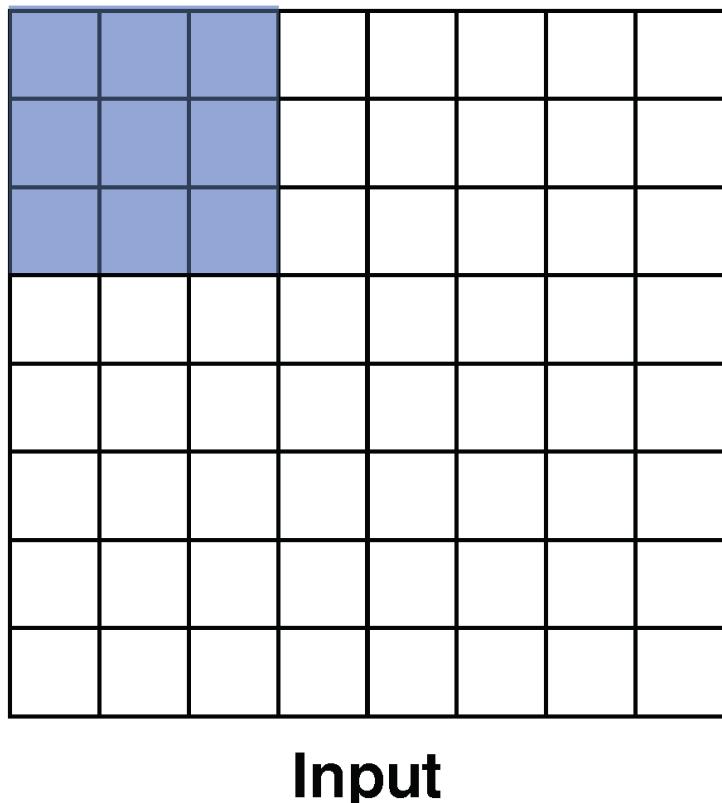
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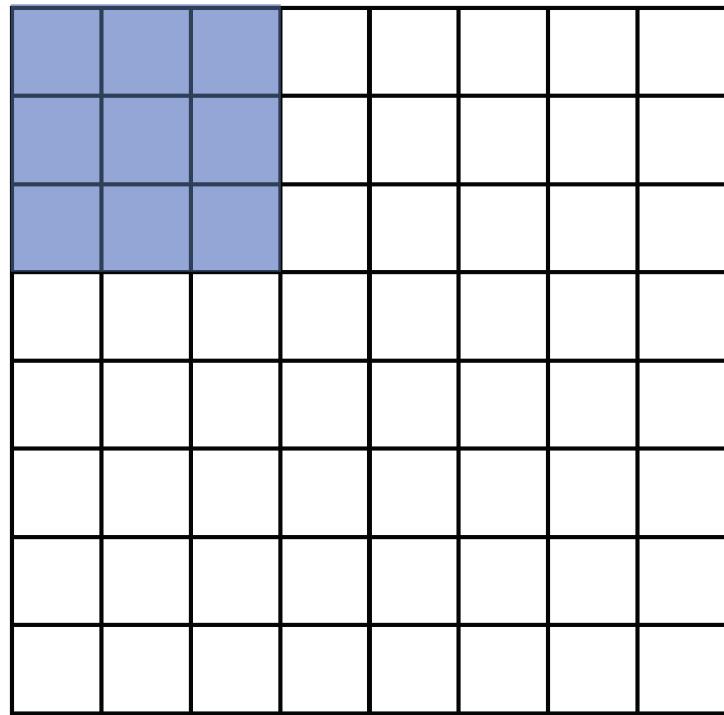
Recall that at each position,
we are doing a **3D** sum:

$$h^r = \sum_{ijk} x^r_{ijk} W_{ijk} + b$$

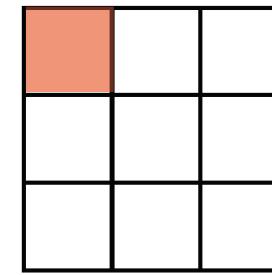
(channel, row, column)

Convolution: Stride

But we can also convolve with a **stride**, e.g. stride = 2



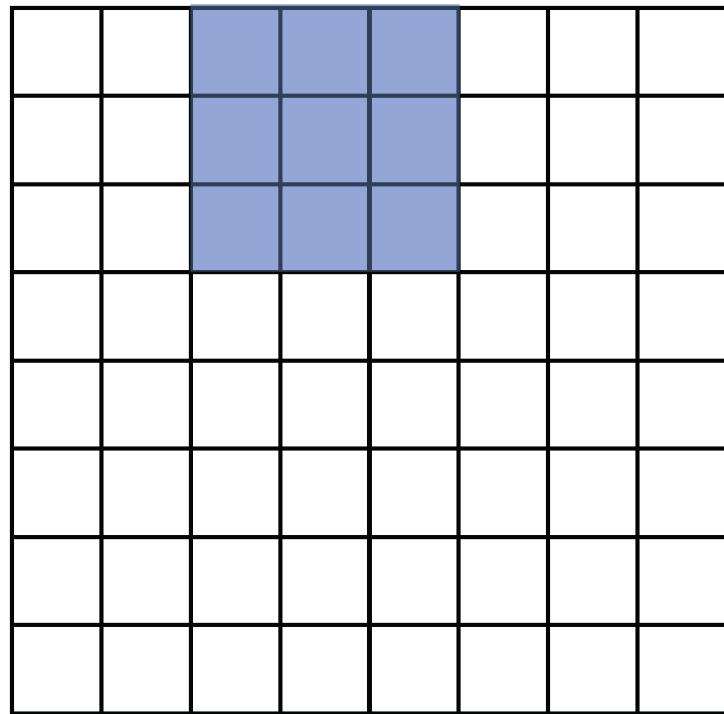
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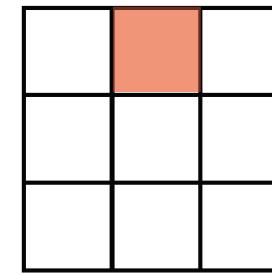
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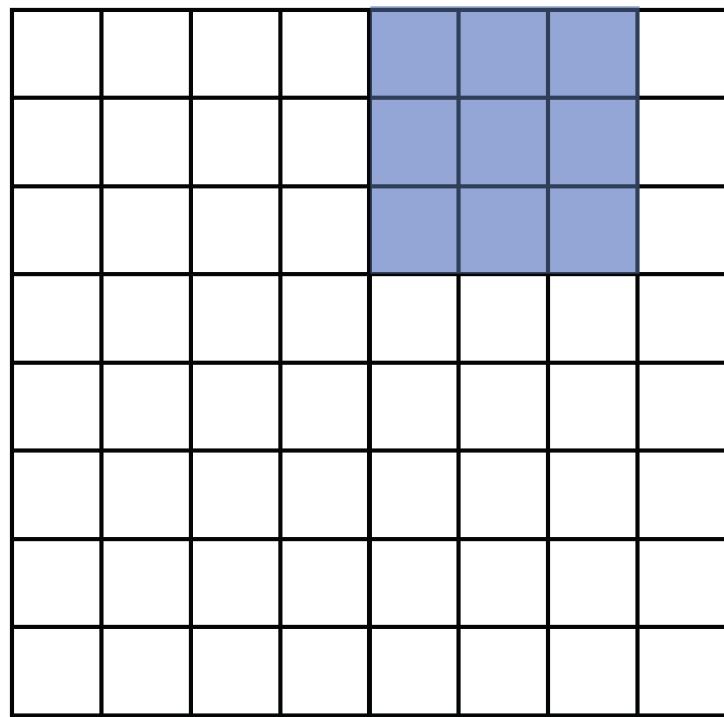
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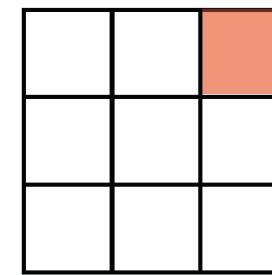
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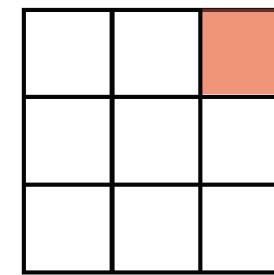
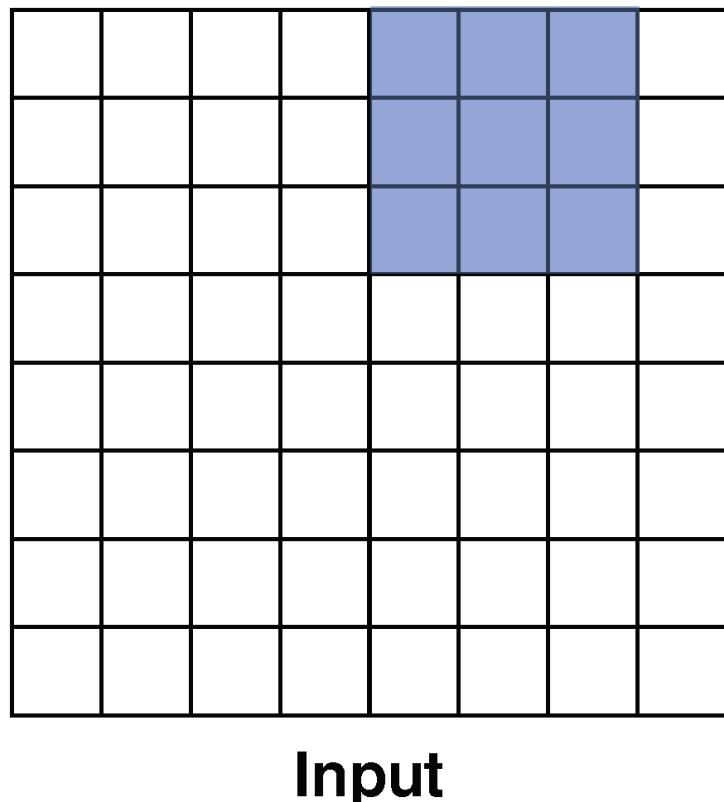
Input



Output

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Output

- *Notice that with certain strides, we may not be able to cover all of the input*
- *The output is also half the size of the input*

Convolution: Padding

We can also pad the input with zeros.

Here, **pad = 1, stride = 2**

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0								0
0								0
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Input

0			

Output

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Input

Output

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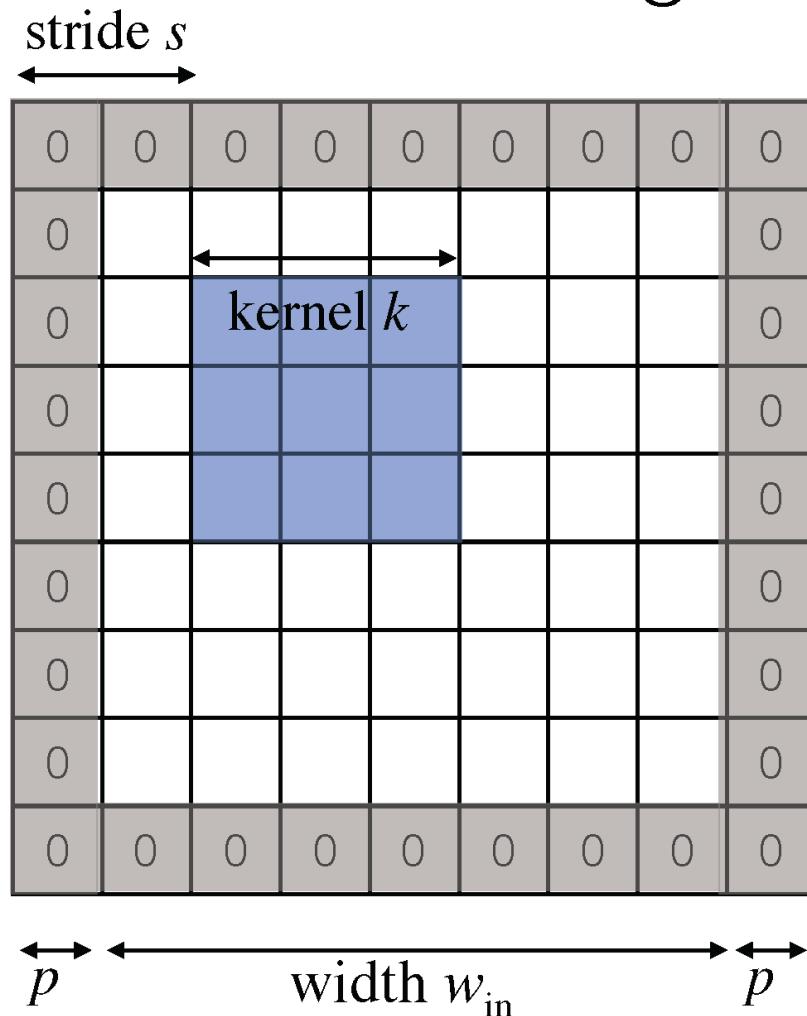
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Input

Output

Convolution:

How big is the output?

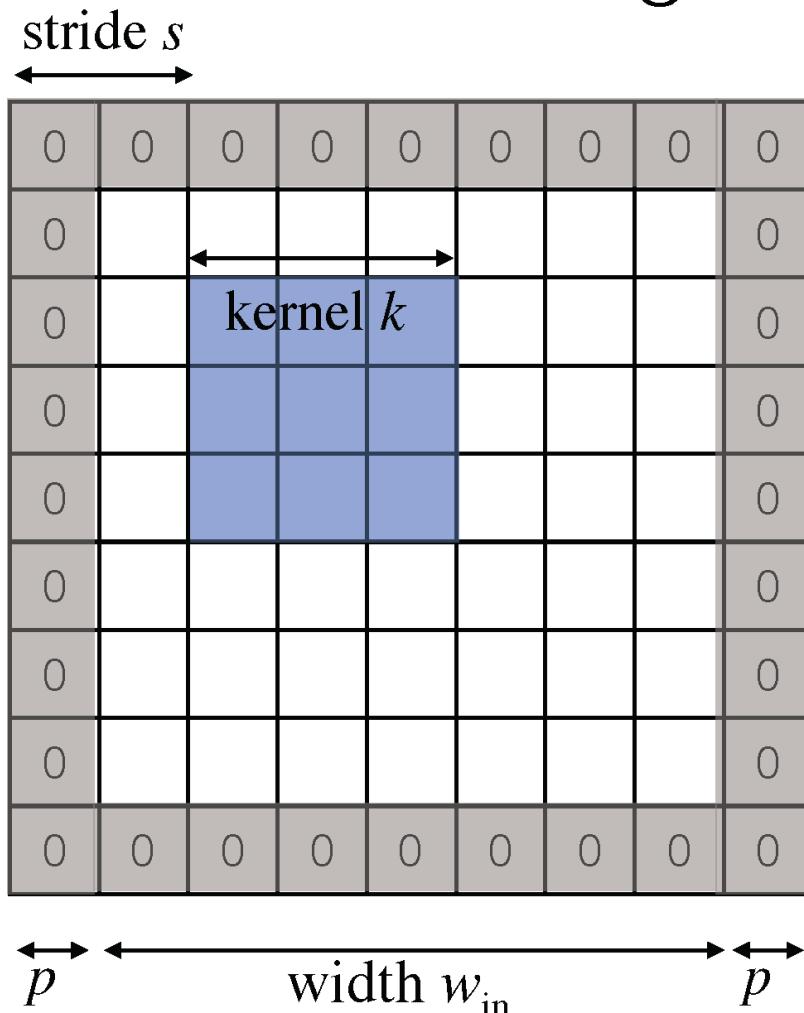


In general, the output has size:

$$w_{\text{out}} = \left\lfloor \frac{w_{\text{in}} + 2p - k}{s} \right\rfloor + 1$$

Convolution:

How big is the output?



Example: $k=3$, $s=1$, $p=1$

$$\begin{aligned}w_{out} &= \left\lfloor \frac{w_{in} + 2p - k}{s} \right\rfloor + 1 \\&= \left\lfloor \frac{w_{in} + 2 - 3}{1} \right\rfloor + 1 \\&= w_{in}\end{aligned}$$

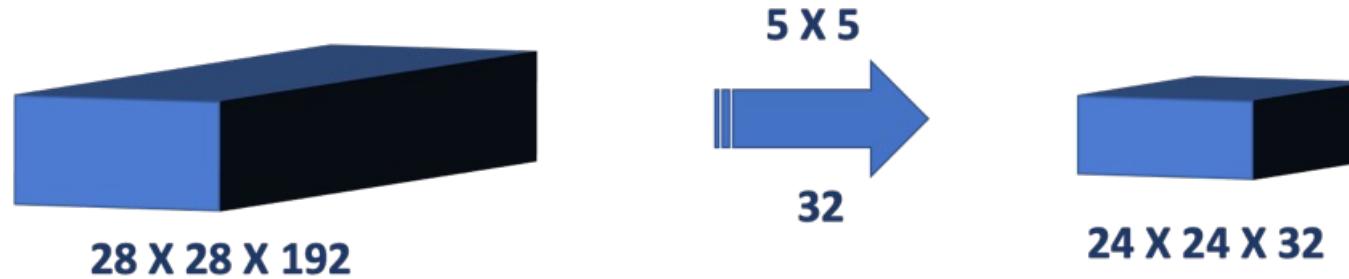
VGGNet [Simonyan 2014]
uses filters of this shape

1x1 Convolution

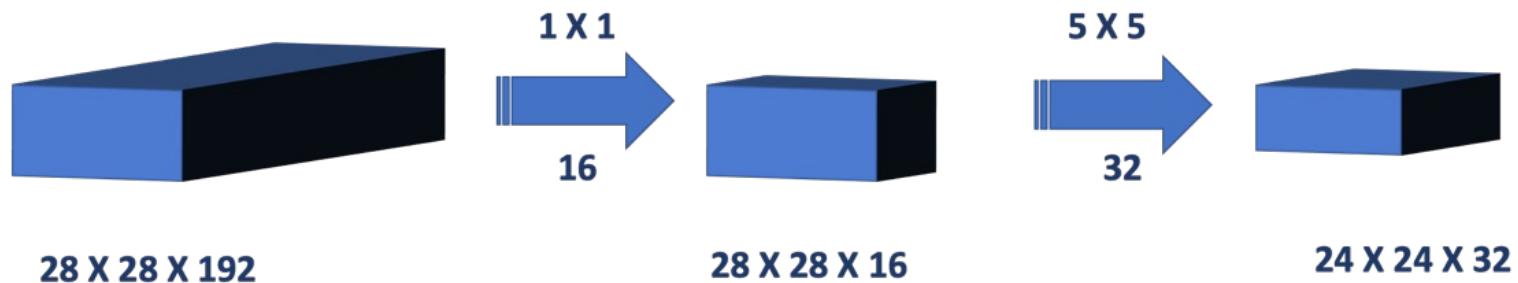
- If signals are 2-dimensional, 1x1 convolutions do not make sense. Why?
- However, in ConvNets this is not the case because one must remember that we operate over *3-dimensional volumes*, and that the filters always extend through the full depth of the input volume.
- if the input is [32x32x3] then doing 1x1 convolutions would effectively be doing 3-dimensional dot products (since the input depth is 3 channels).
- “mixing information across channels”

1x1 Convolution: a computationally cheap method

- Eg $28 \times 28 \times 192 \rightarrow 24 \times 24 \times 32$



Number of Operations : $(28 \times 28 \times 32) \times (5 \times 5 \times 192) = 120.422 \text{ Million Ops}$



Number of Operations for 1 X 1 Conv Step : $(28 \times 28 \times 16) \times (1 \times 1 \times 192) = 2.4 \text{ Million Ops}$

Number of Operations for 5 X 5 Conv Step : $(28 \times 28 \times 32) \times (5 \times 5 \times 16) = 10 \text{ Million Ops}$

Total Number of Operations = 12.4 Million Ops

Take 3min: discuss with your neighbor:

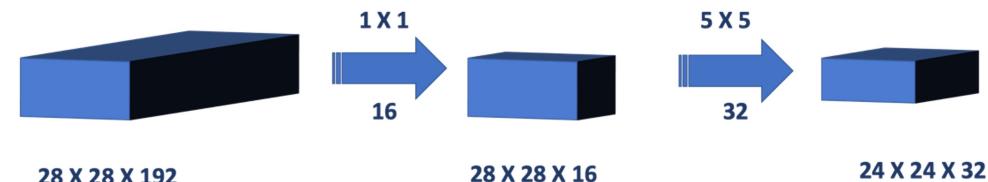
- A) What's the difference of a 1x1 conv to a fully-connected layer?
- B) When is this 1x1 conv approach good, when is not good?

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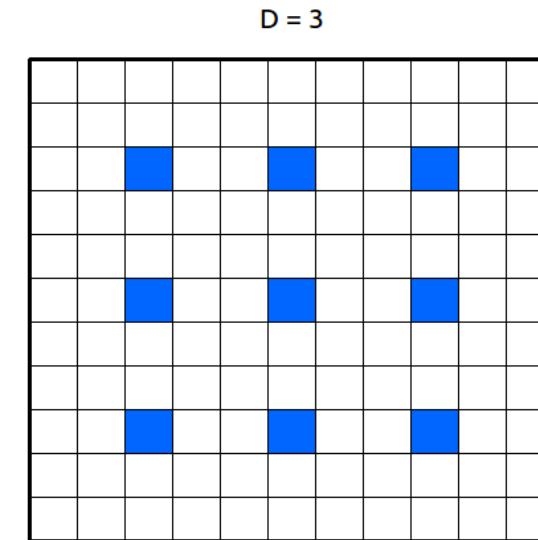
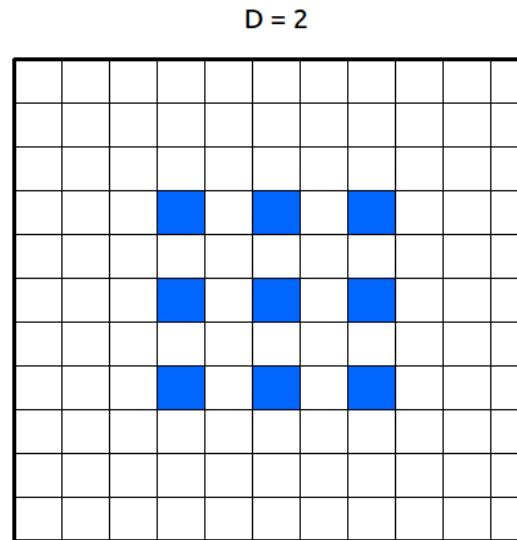
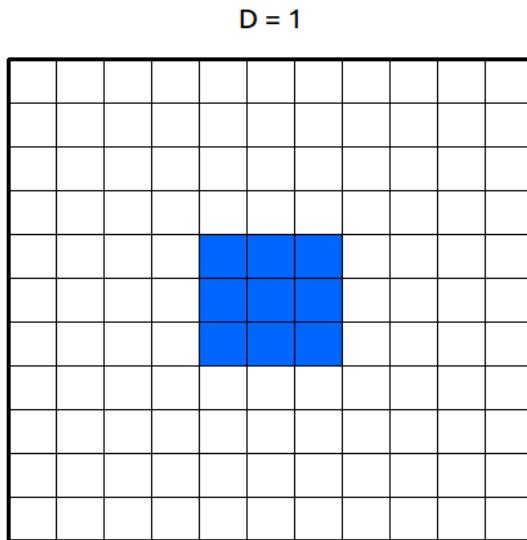
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Dilated Convolutions

- enlarge receptive field but keep the parameter number



Pooling

For most ConvNets, **convolution** is often followed by **pooling**:

- Creates a smaller representation while retaining the most important information
- The “max” operation is the most common
- Why might “avg” be a poor choice?

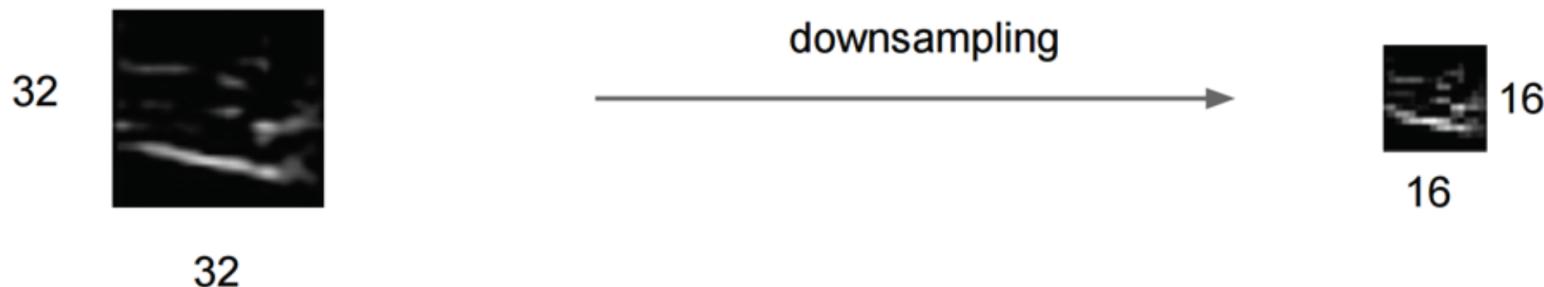
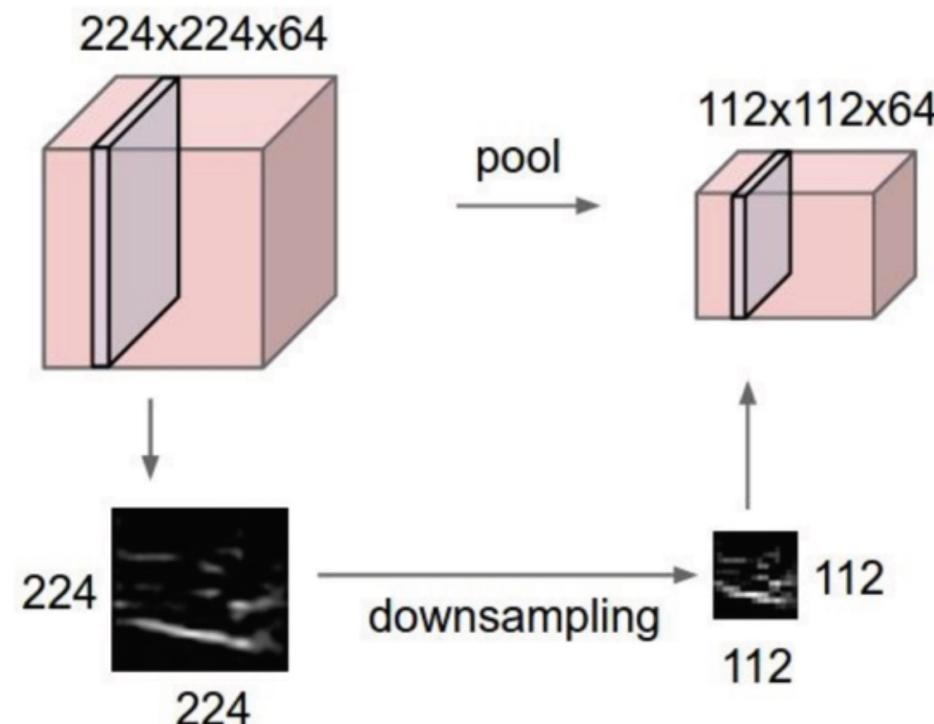


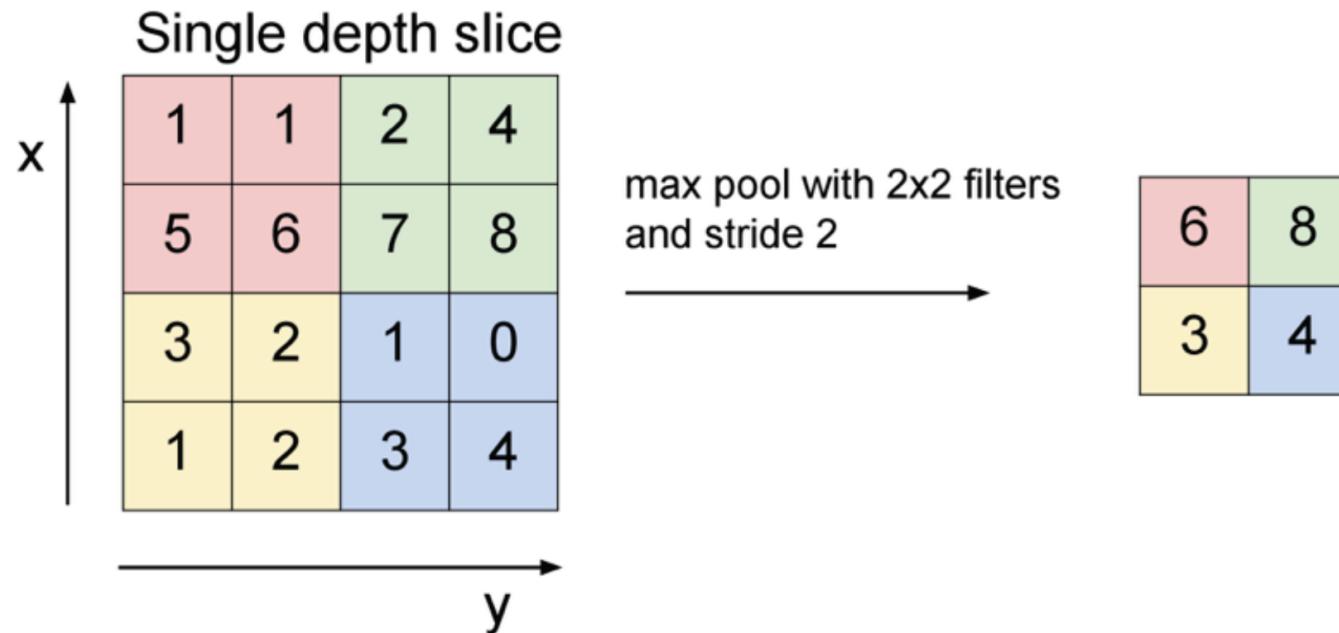
Figure: Andrej Karpathy

Pooling

- makes the representations smaller and more manageable
- operates over each activation map independently:



Max Pooling



What's the backprop rule for max pooling?

- In the forward pass, store the index that took the max
- The backprop gradient is the input gradient at that index

Figure: Andrej Karpathy

Getting rid of pooling

- To reduce the size of the representation
 - using larger stride in conv layer once in a while
- Discarding pooling layers has also been found to be important in training good generative models
 - variational autoencoders (VAEs)
 - generative adversarial networks (GANs)
- “Isotropic” models, see Vision Transformer (Lecture 7)

Example ConvNet

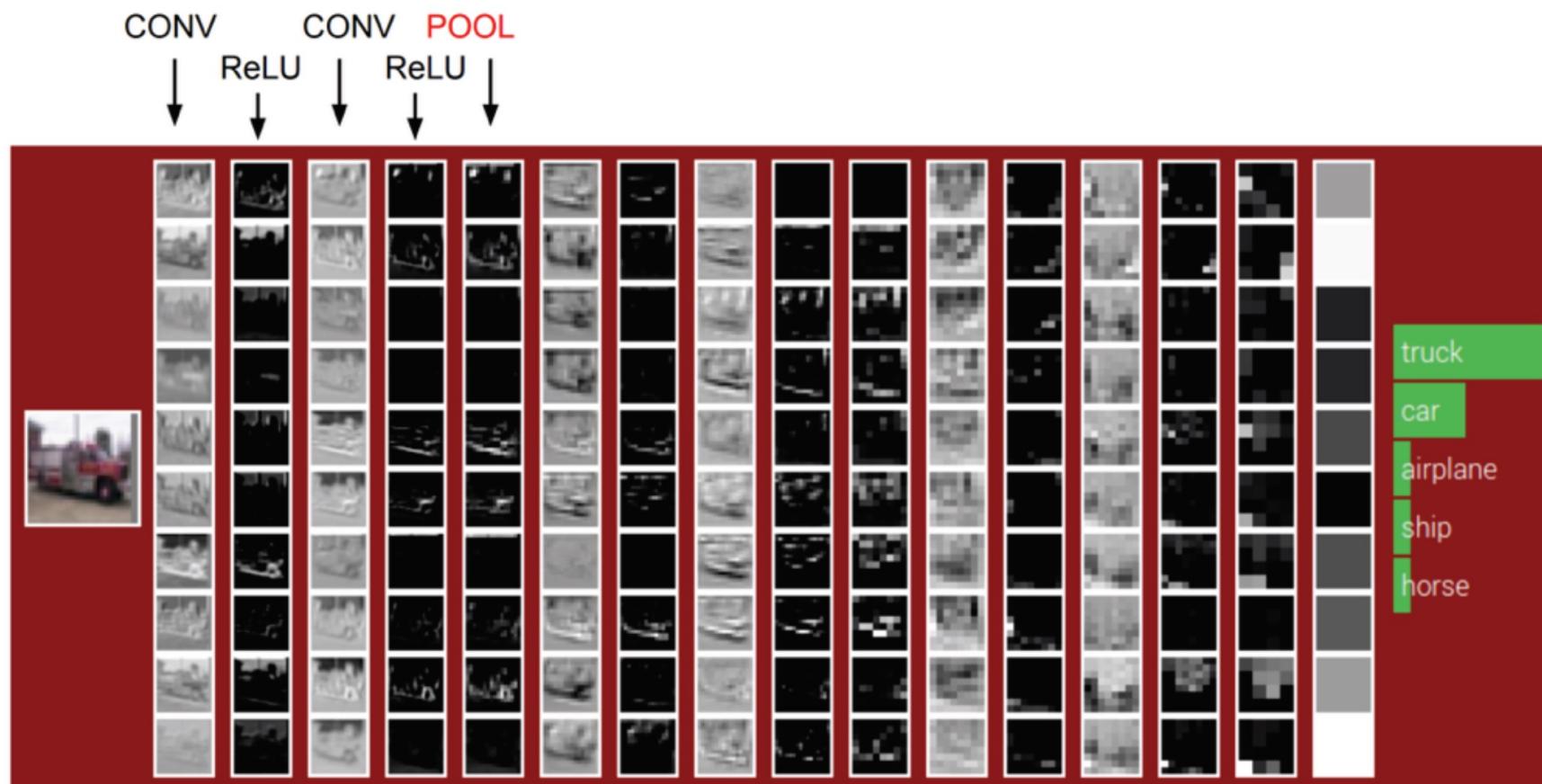


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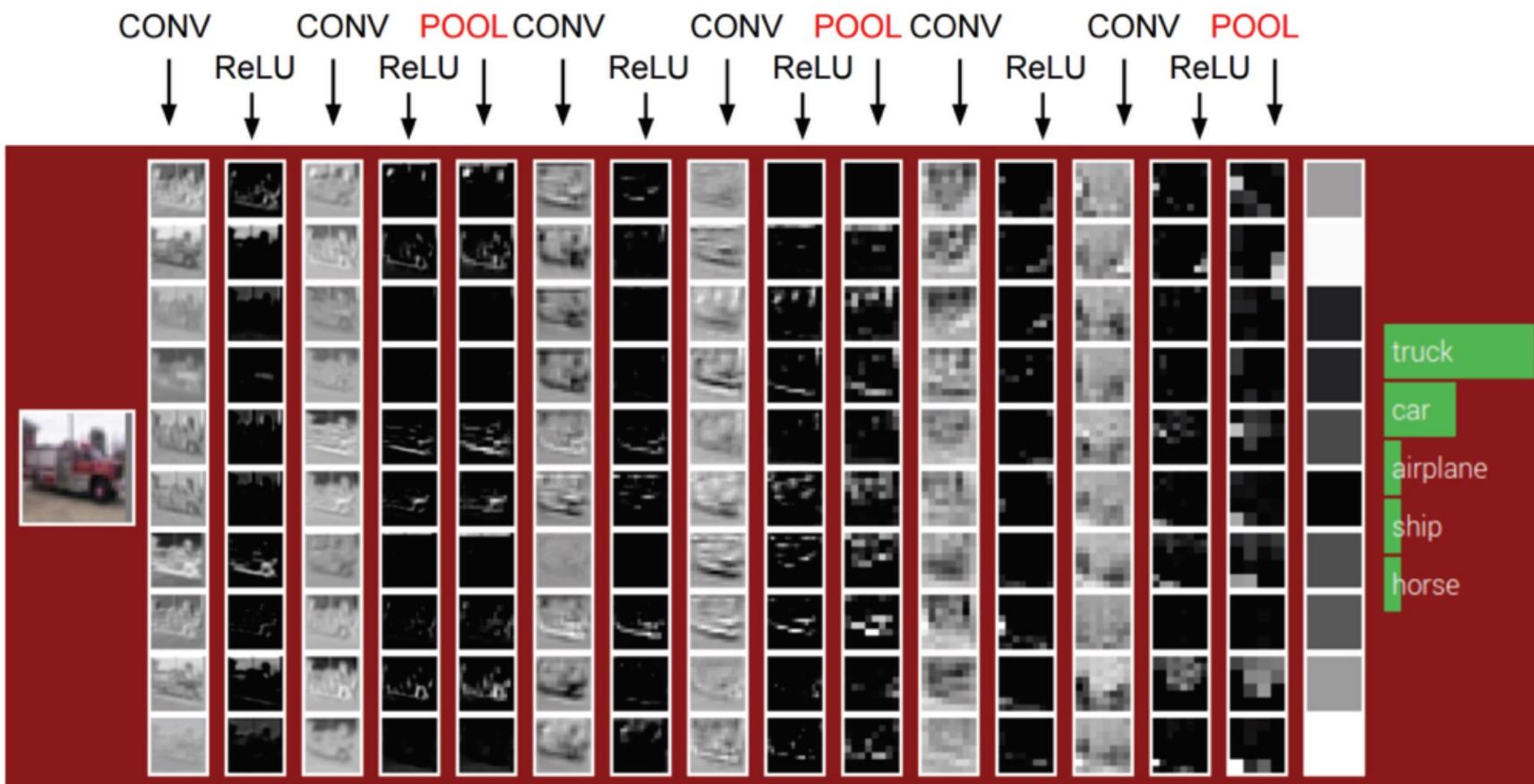


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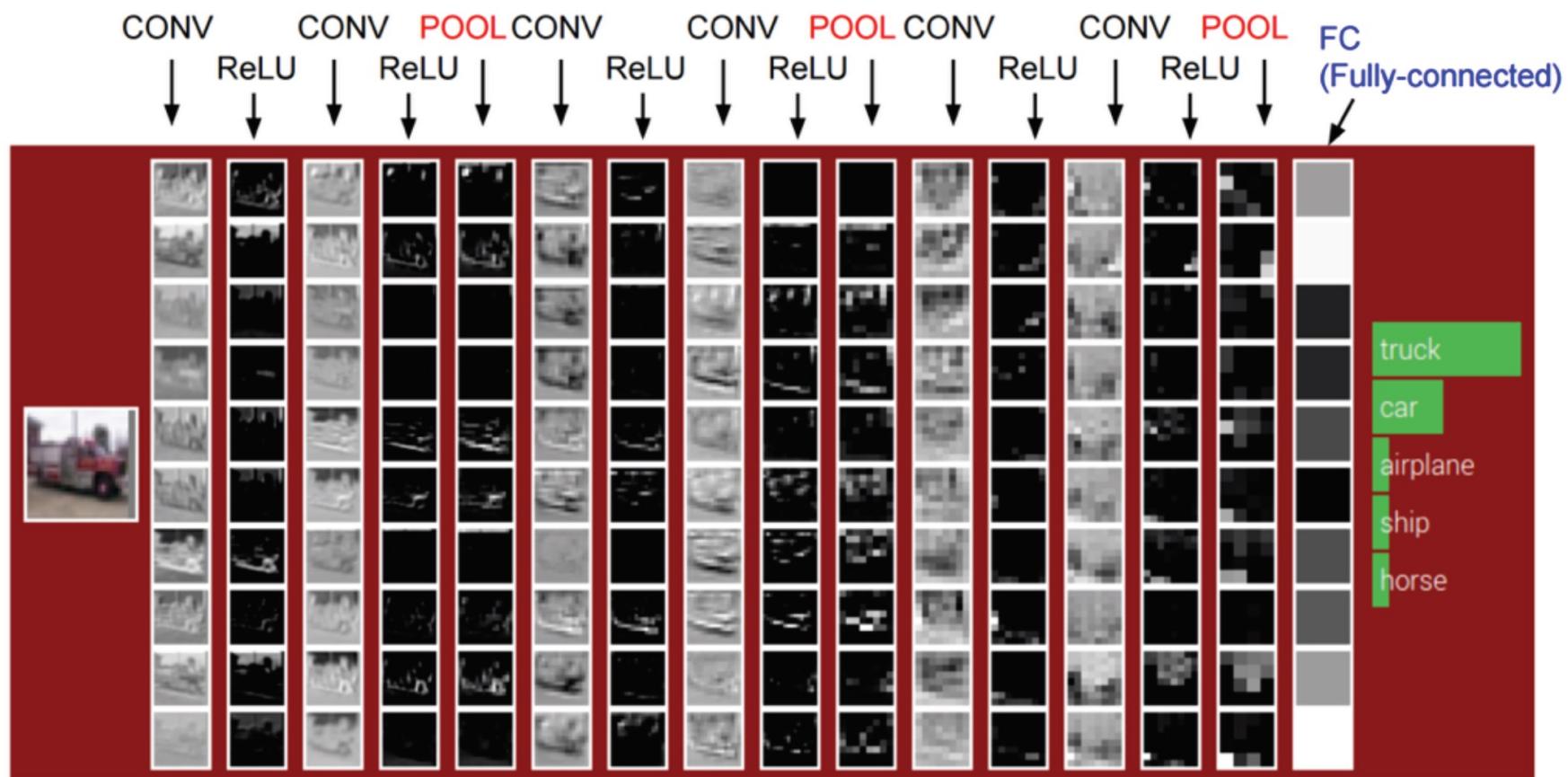
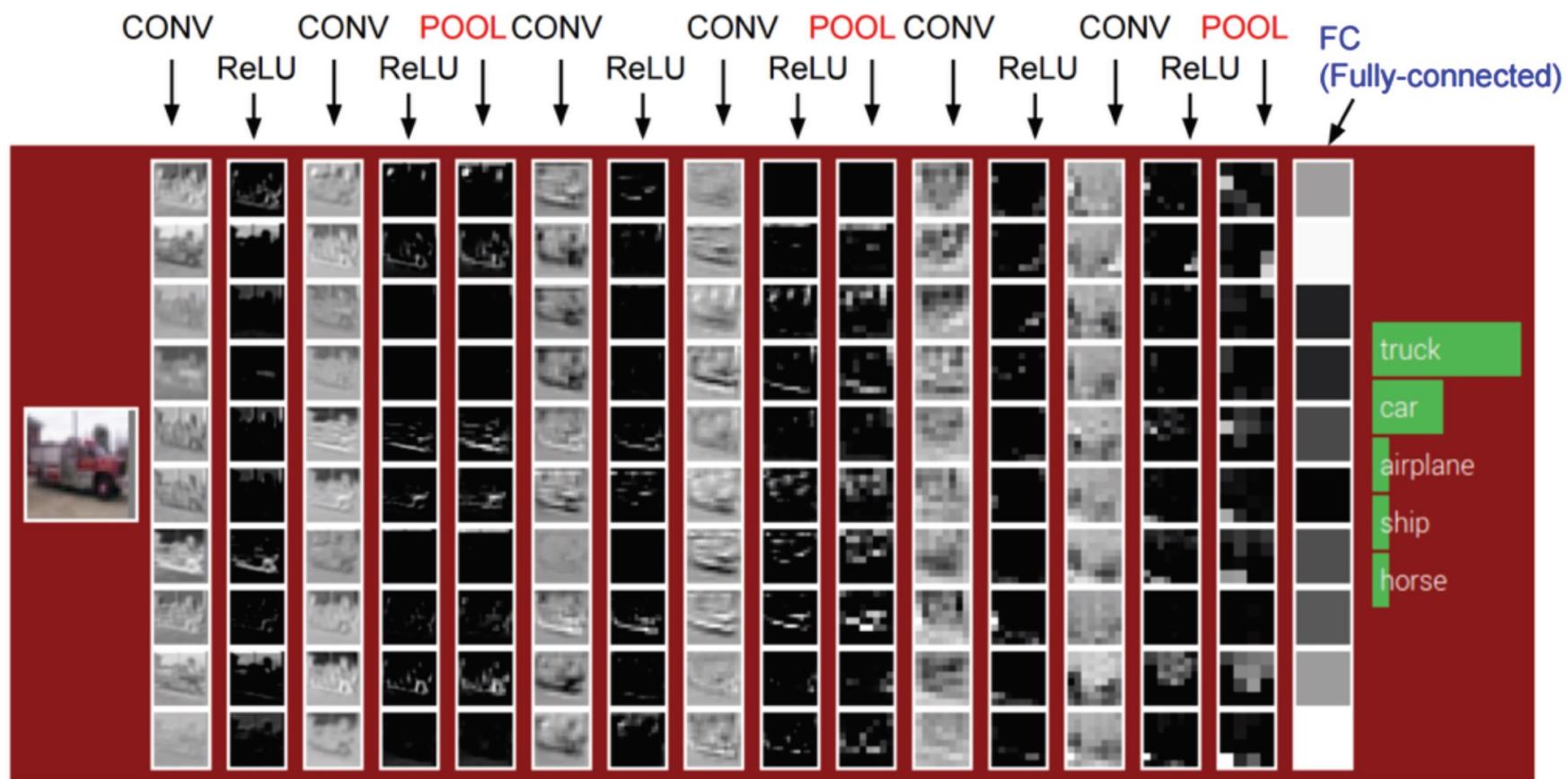


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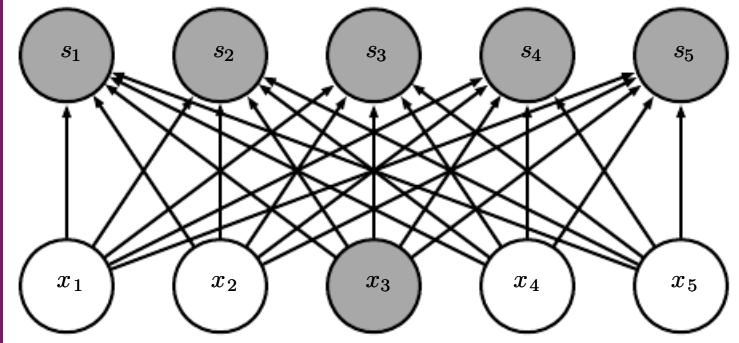
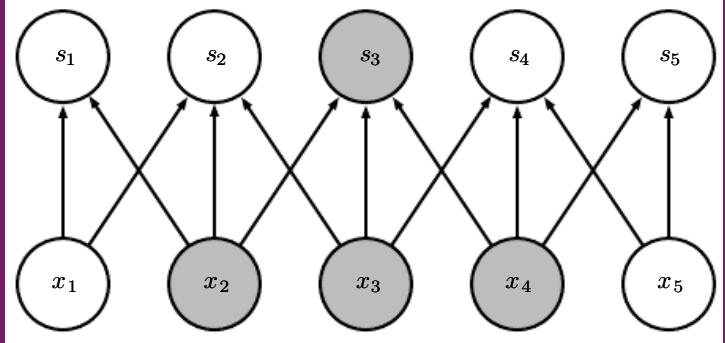


10x3x3 conv filters, stride 1, pad 1

2x2 pool filters, stride 2

Figure: Andrej Karpathy

Quiz



Think back about fully connected layers and convolutional layers, which statement is true?

- 1) FC layers are a special case of convolutional layers
- 2) Conv layers are a special case of fully-connected layers

“special case” == it can be recovered by corresponding settings

How research gets done part 4

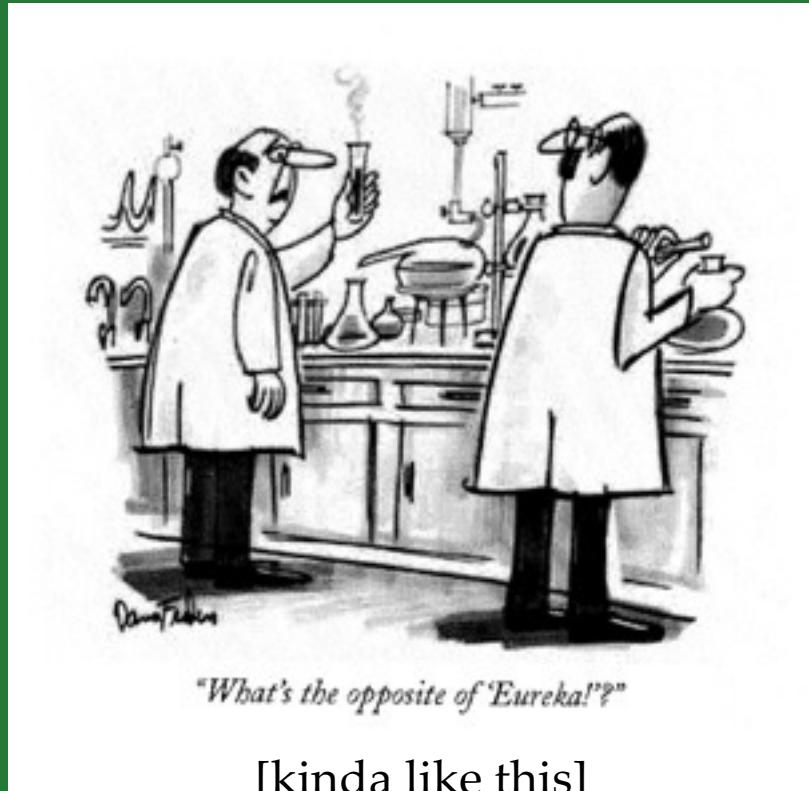


Previous parts:

[fundamental understanding, read papers, how-to-read-papers, implement & tinker with code]

Today:

- Be curious.
- **“The most exciting phrase to hear in science, the one that heralds new discoveries, is not ‘Eureka!’ but ‘That’s funny...’” --- Isaac Asimov**
- “That’s funny...” --> there’s a delta between what’s expect *vs.* what’s observed.
 - For this: need to be able to trust a) your experiment, b) understand broader context to form expectation
 - (see also incongruity theory re: why jokes are funny)
 - (see also Hubel & Wiesel from earlier)
- For this you need to be able to hold two opposing thoughts/ideas in your head (at least for a while)
- The advice: Don’t ignore this moment. Instead follow this up by *structured tinkering* (*next part*)



ConvNet Case Study I: Alexnet

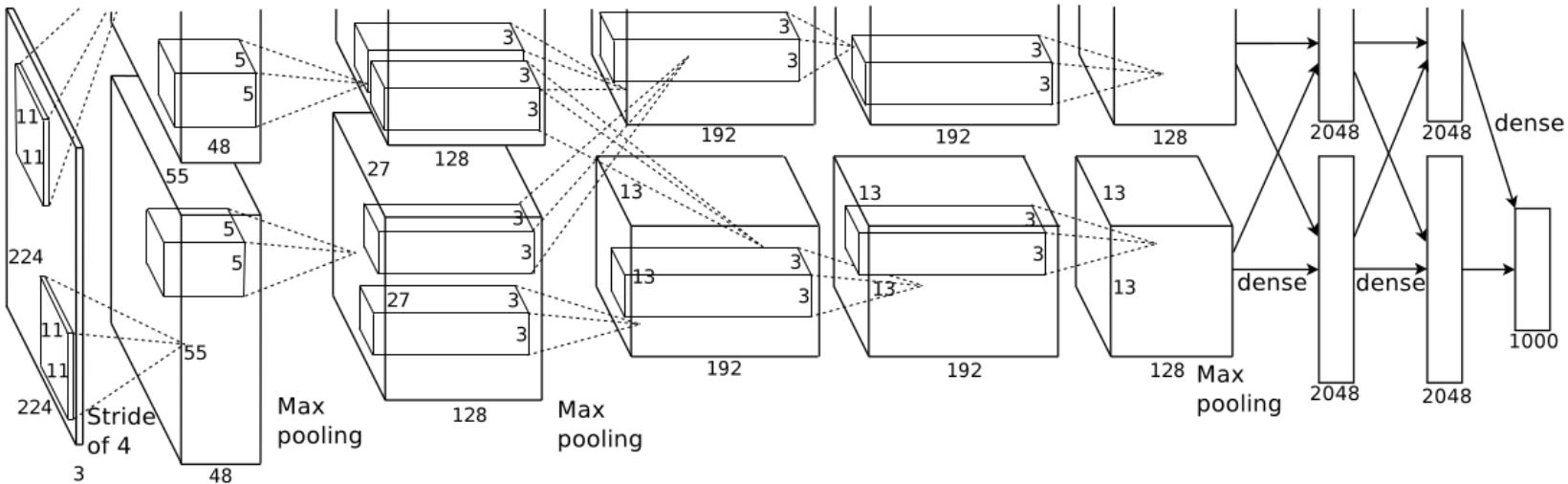
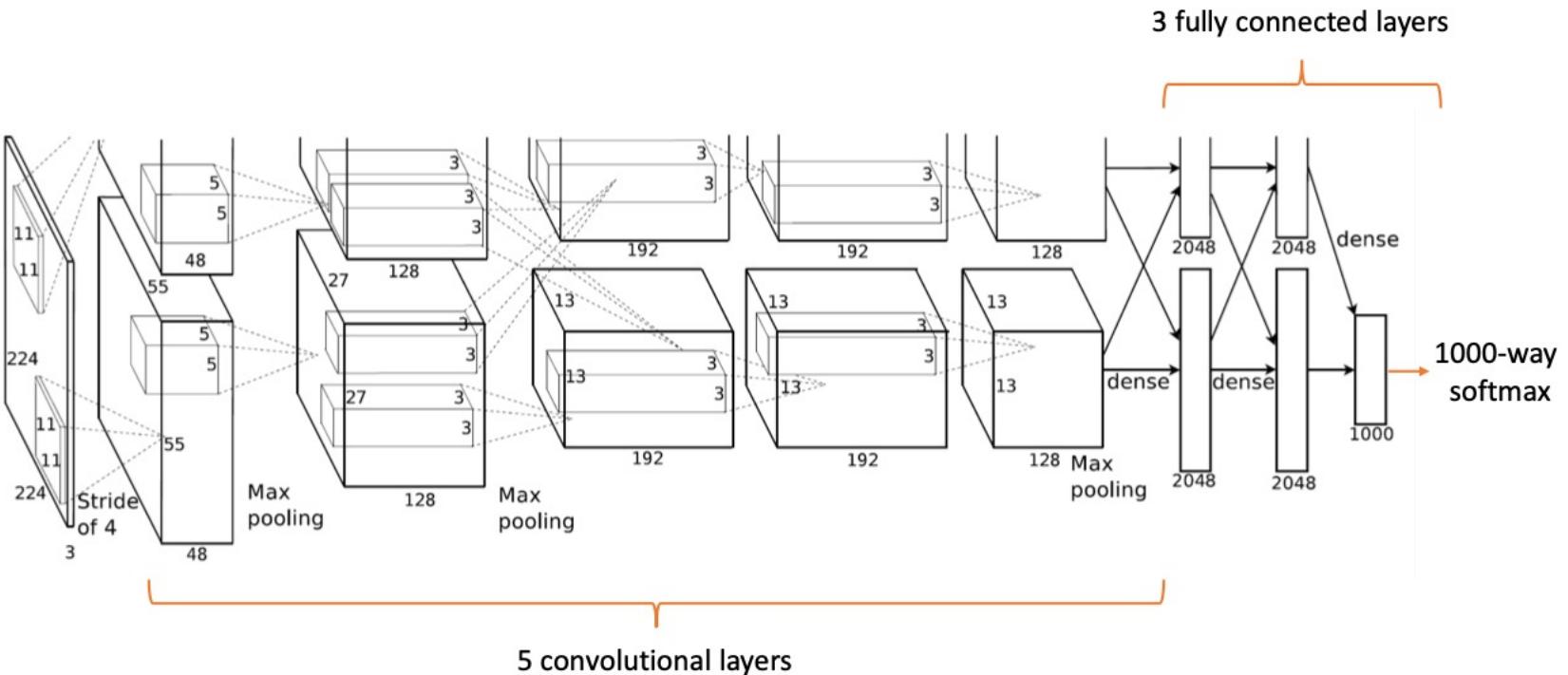


Figure 2: An illustration of the architecture of our CNN, explicitly showing the delineation of responsibilities between the two GPUs. One GPU runs the layer-parts at the top of the figure while the other runs the layer-parts at the bottom. The GPUs communicate only at certain layers. The network's input is 150,528-dimensional, and the number of neurons in the network's remaining layers is given by 253,440–186,624–64,896–64,896–43,264–4096–4096–1000.

AlexNet

- The architecture consists of eight layers:
 - five convolutional layers
 - three fully-connected layers

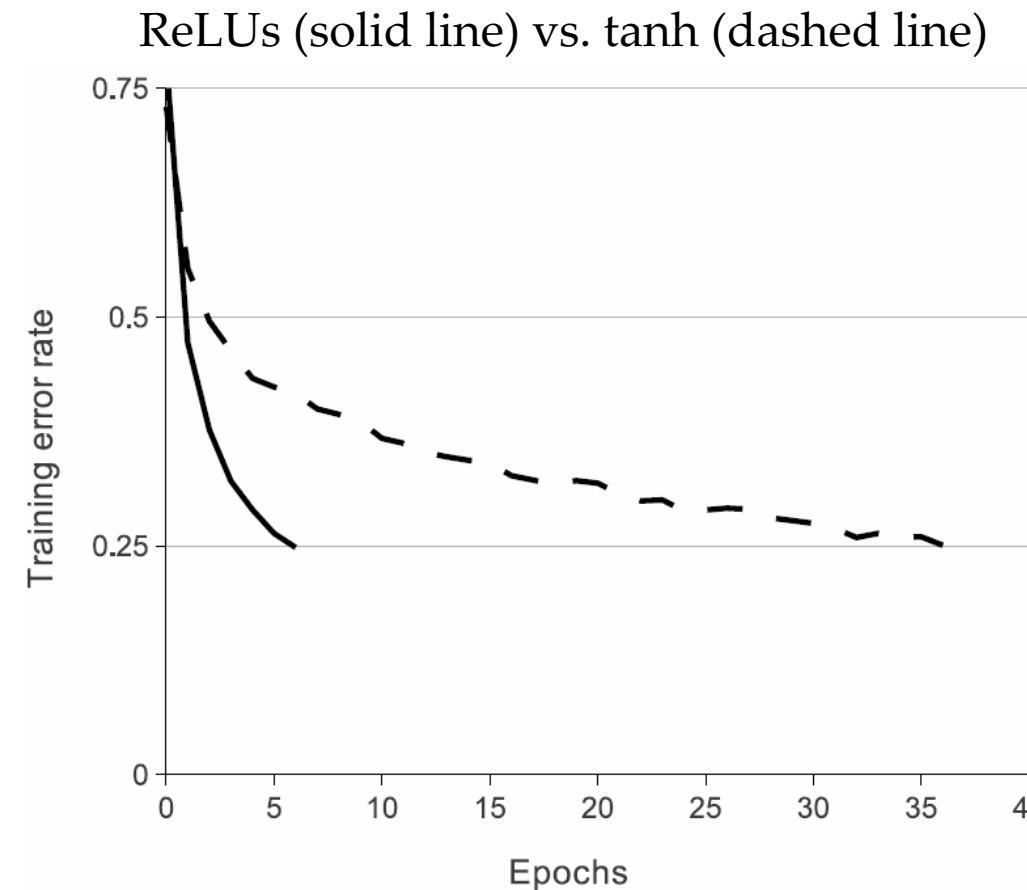


AlexNet

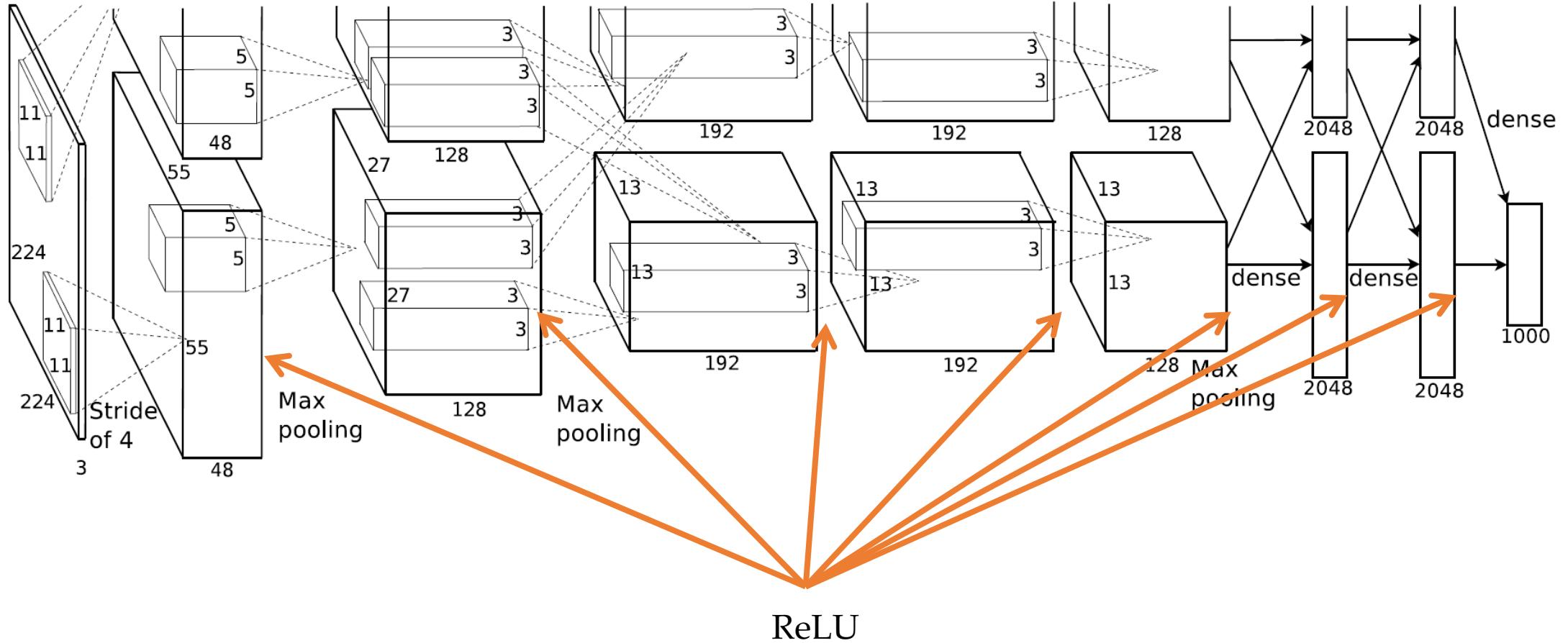
- ReLU Nonlinearity
 - replace the tanh function
- Multiple GPUs
- Local Response Normalization
- Overlapping Pooling
 - a reduction in error by about 0.5%
 - harder to overfit

Activation function

- Traditionally, saturating nonlinearities:
 - hyperbolic tangent function
 - sigmoid function
 - slow to train
- ReLU Nonlinearity
 - Non-saturating
 - quick to train



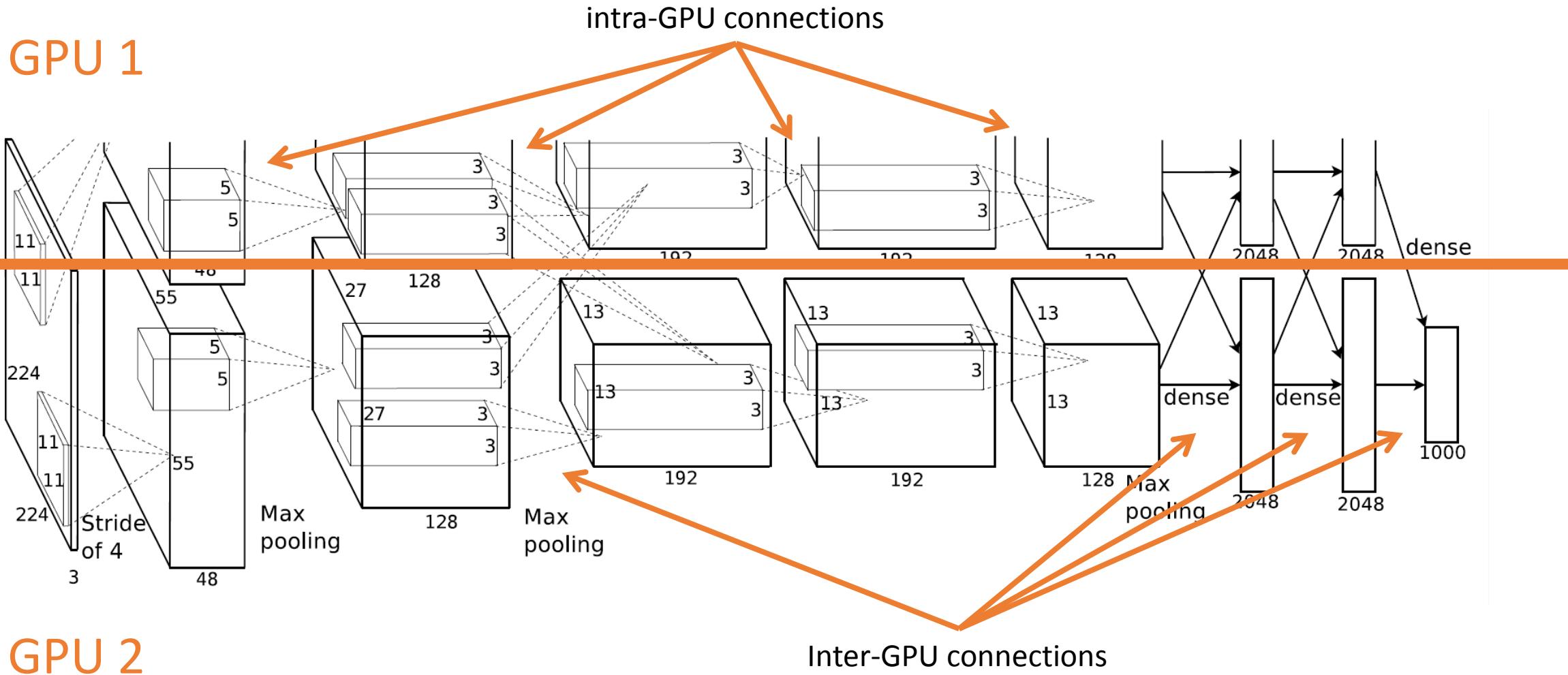
Activation function



Training with multiple GPUs

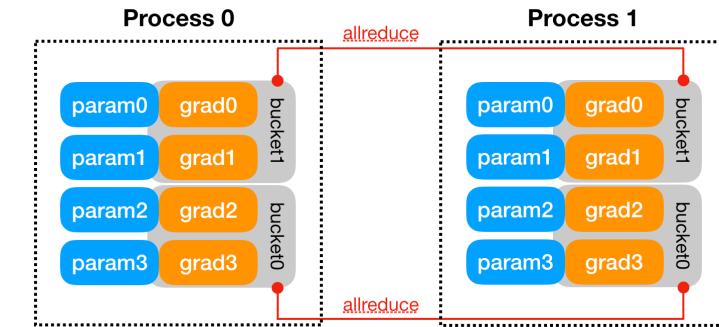
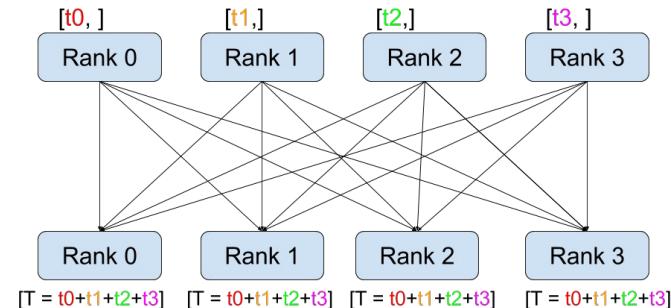
- Half of the neurons of an certain layer are on each GPU
- GPUs communicate only in certain layers
- Improvement (as compared with a net with half as many kernels in each convolutional layer trained on one GPU):
 - top-1 error rate by 1.7%
 - top-5 error rate by 1.2%
- ! Back then.. No Pytorch/JAX/TensorFlow/Caffe/Torch... (manual coding in CUDA)

Training with multiple GPUs

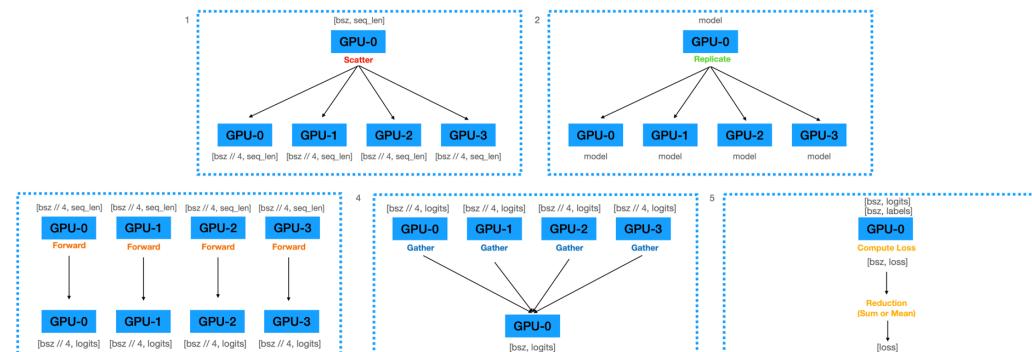


On that note: Communicating between GPUs: PyTorch

- DistributedDataParallel (AlexNet is "ModelParallel"):
 - Forward-mode: on one GPU each, same model on each GPU
 - Backward-mode: Gradients synced between GPUs
 - With All-reduce:



- Other distributed operations:



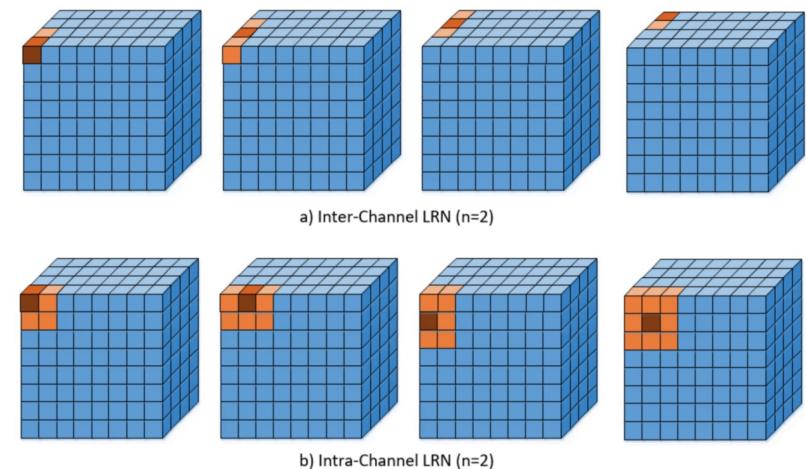
https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/dist_overview.html

Local Response Normalization

- Local Response Normalization aids generalization (now-a-days: BN/LN)

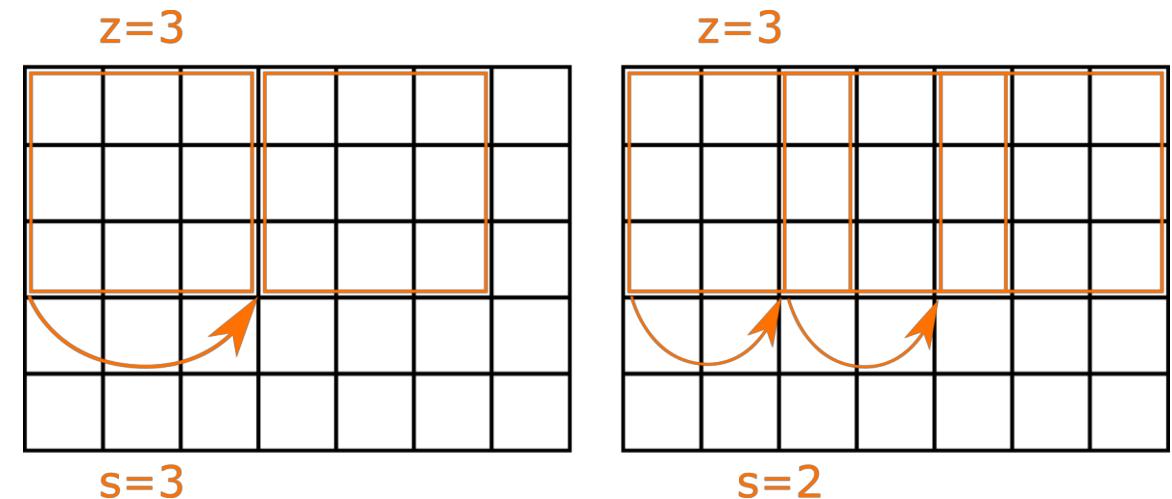
$$b_{x,y}^i = a_{x,y}^i / \left(k + \alpha \sum_{j=\max(0,i-n/2)}^{\min(N-1,i+n/2)} (a_{x,y}^j)^2 \right)^\beta$$

- Improvement:
 - top-1 error rate by 1.4%
 - top-5 error rate by 1.2%
- two types of LRN-->

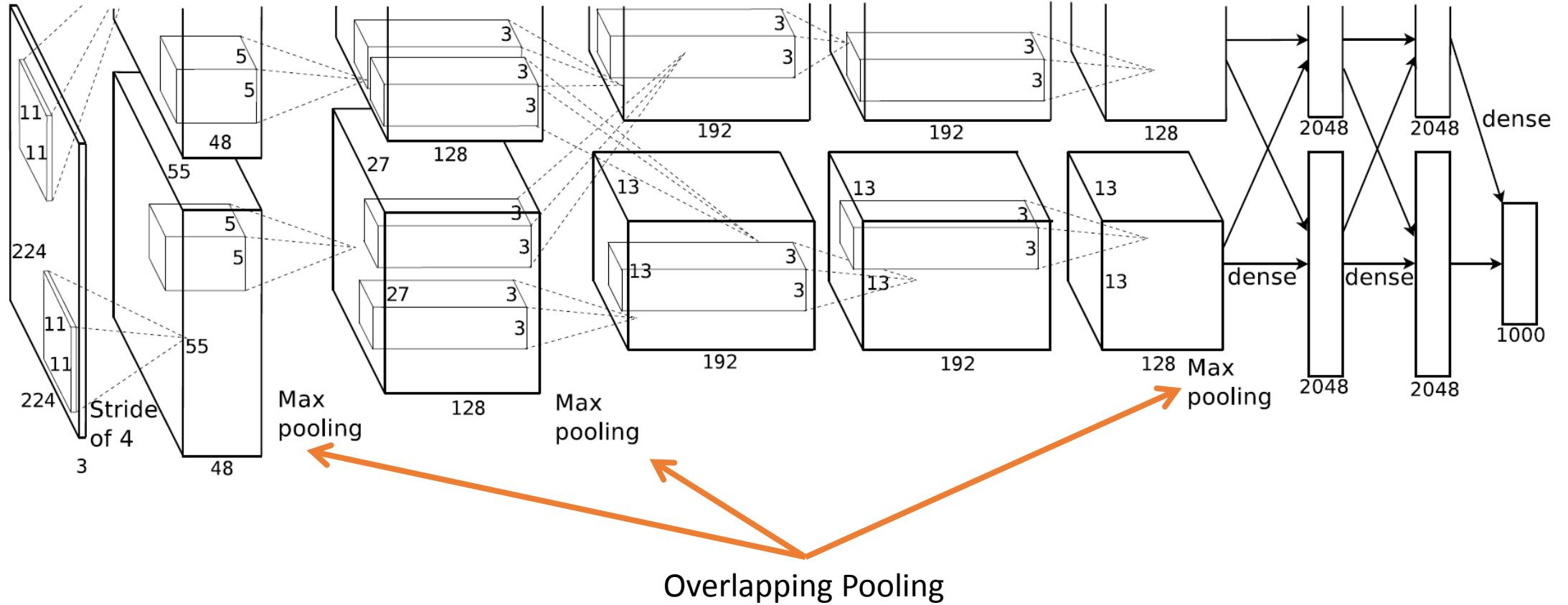


Overlapping Pooling

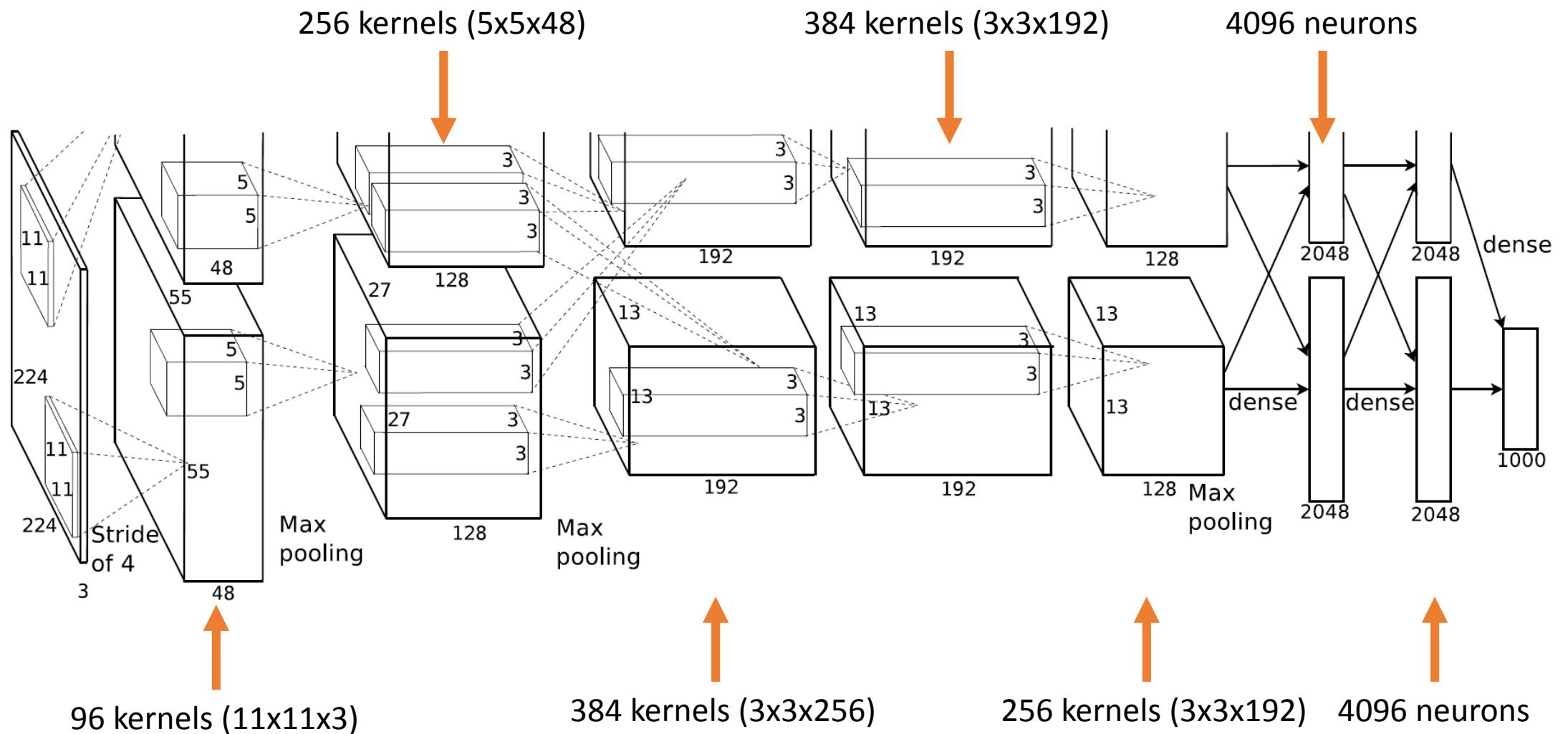
- Pooling layers summarize the outputs of neighbouring neurons in the same kernel map.
- Overlapping pooling: $s < z$
- Improvement over no-overlap:
 - top-1 error rate by 0.4%
 - top-5 error rates by 0.3%



Overlapping Pooling

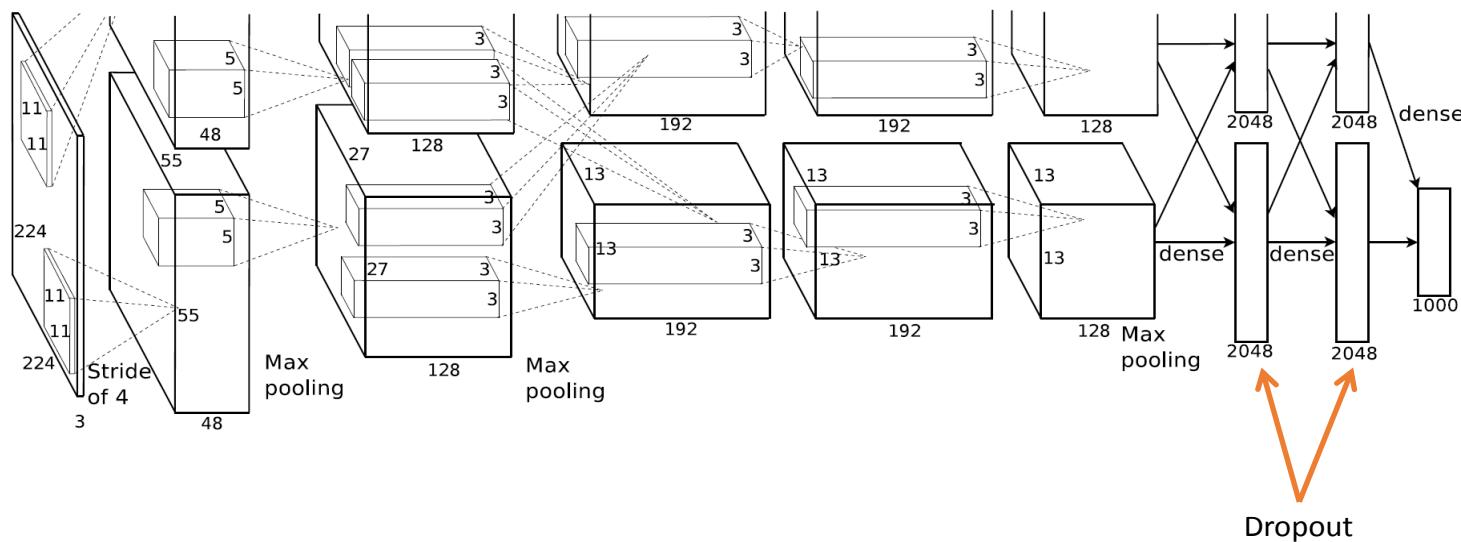


Overall architecture



The Overfitting Problem

- A total of 60 million parameters (careful, there's two main "versions" of AlexNet)
- Data Augmentation
 - translations and horizontal reflections
 - change the intensity of RGB channels
- Dropout
 - more robust features
 - increases the training time



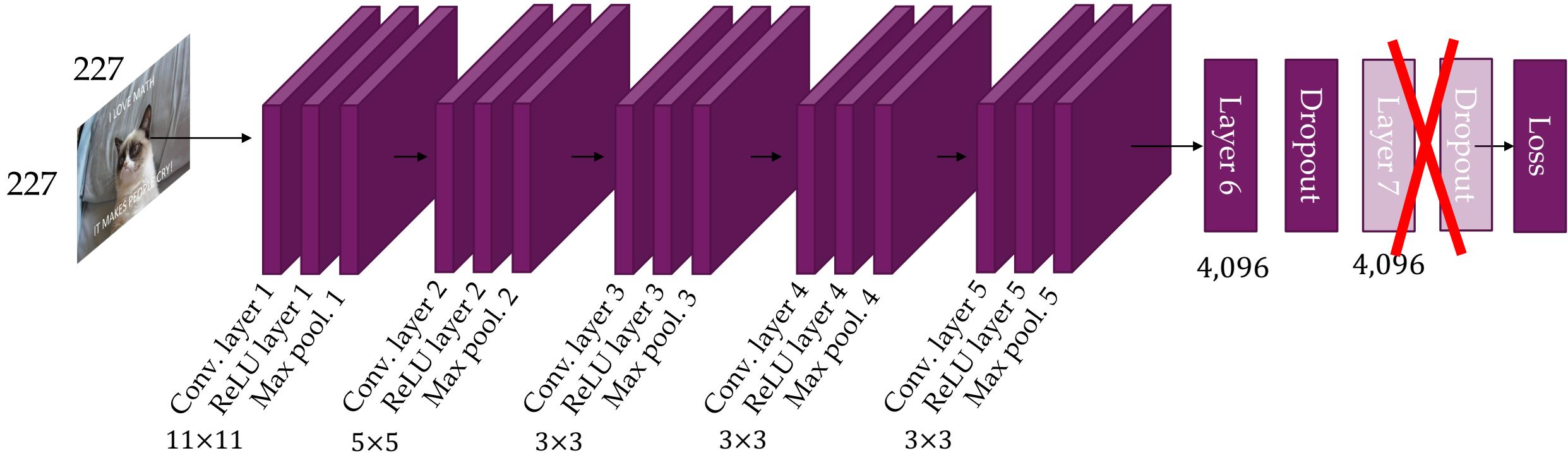
The learned filters



Example filters learned by Krizhevsky et al. Each of the 96 filters shown here is of size [11x11x3], and each one is shared by the 55*55 neurons in one depth slice. Notice that the parameter sharing assumption is relatively reasonable: If detecting a horizontal edge is important at some location in the image, it should intuitively be useful at some other location as well due to the translationally-invariant structure of images. There is therefore no need to relearn to detect a horizontal edge at every one of the 55*55 distinct locations in the Conv layer output volume.

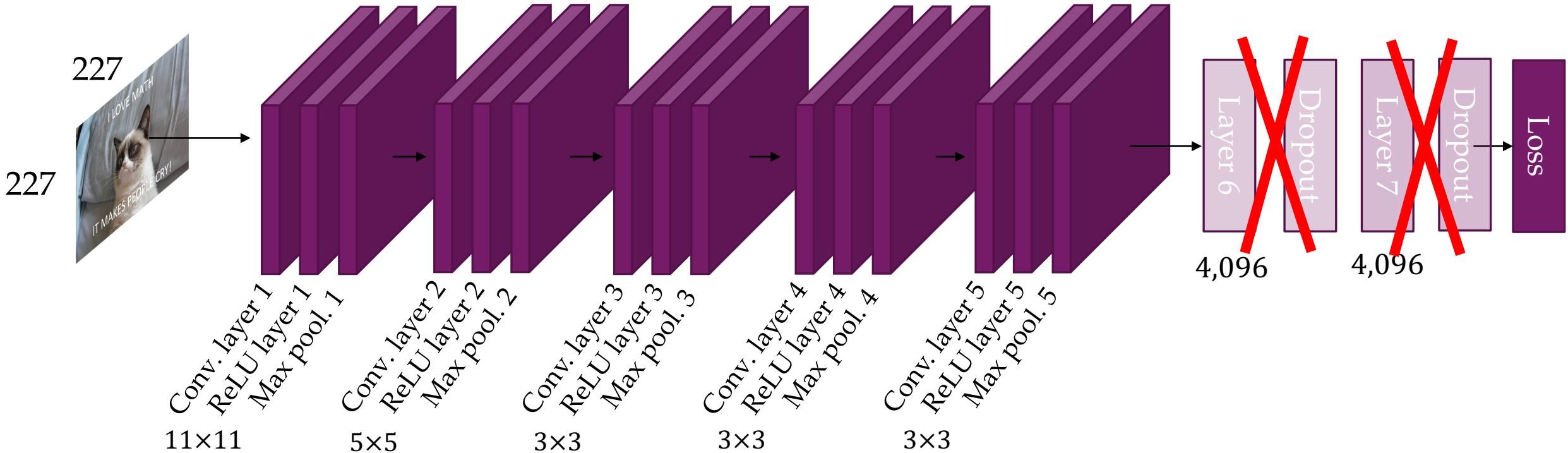
Removing layer 7

1.1% drop in performance, 16 million less parameters



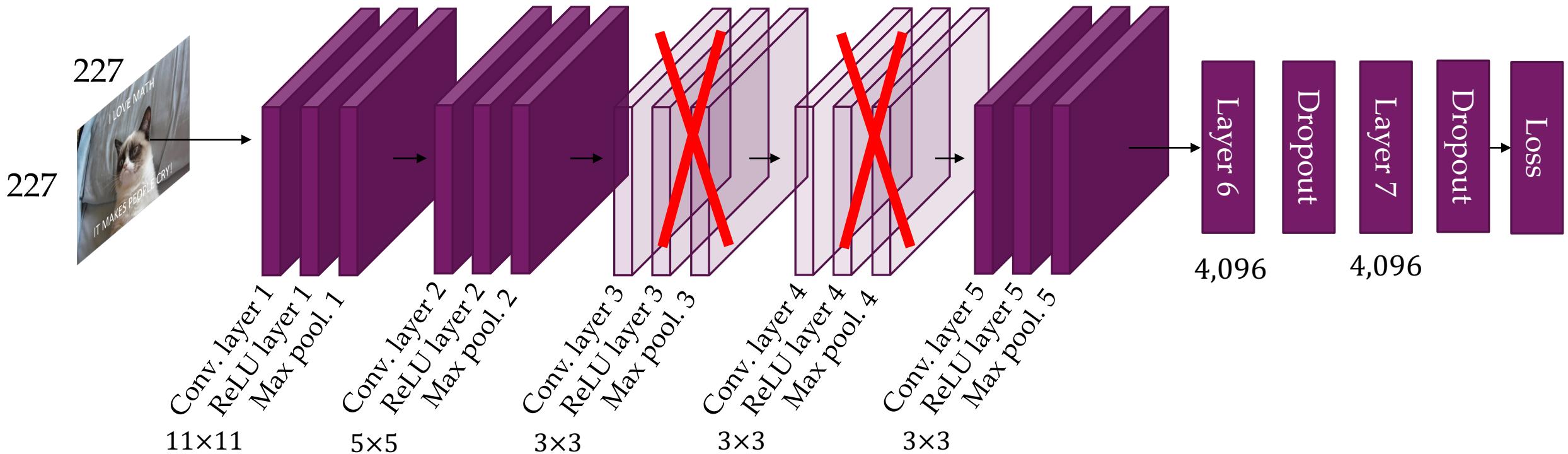
Removing layer 6, 7

5.7% drop in performance, 50 million less parameters



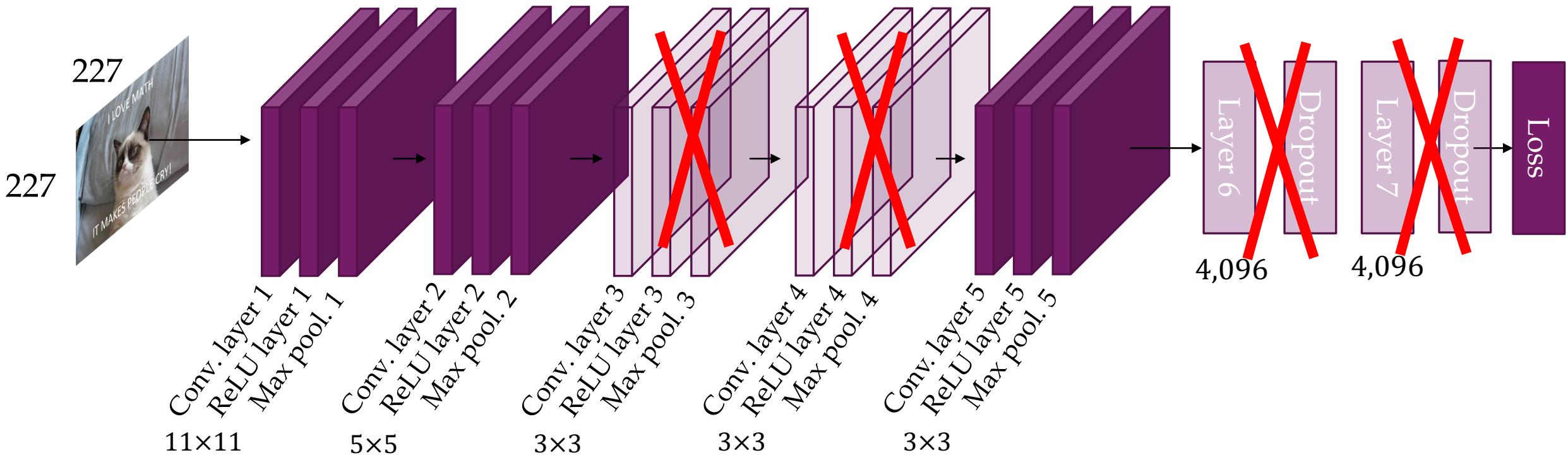
Removing layer 3, 4

3.0% drop in performance, 1 million less parameters. Why?



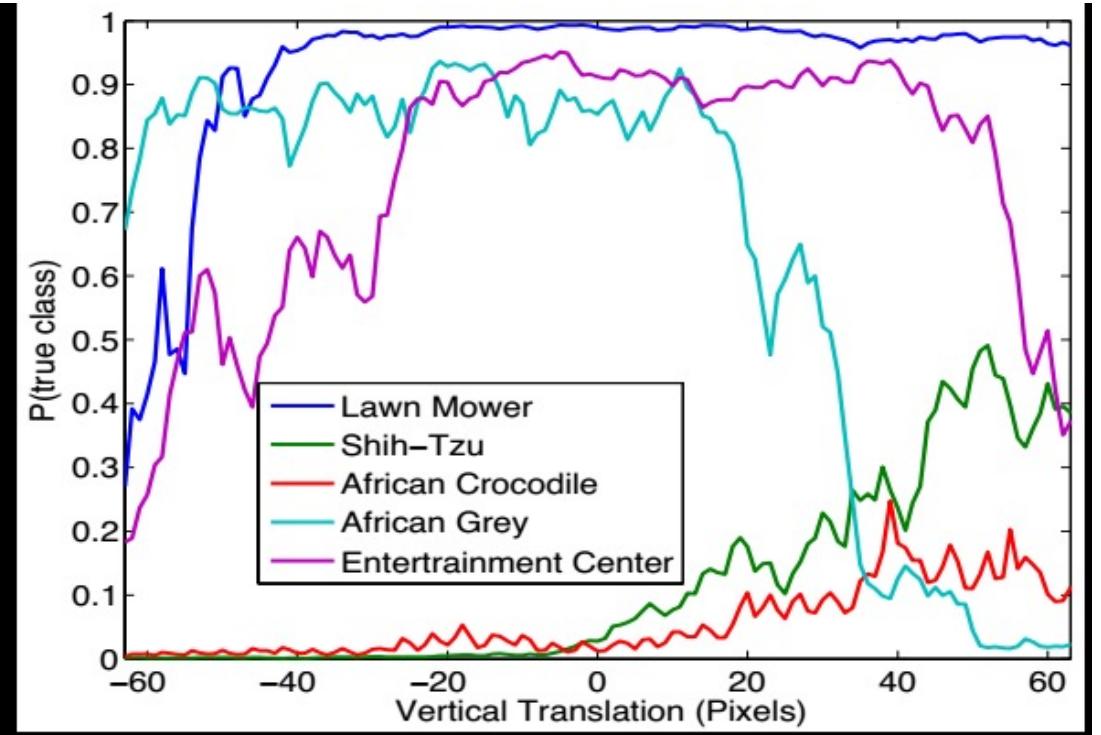
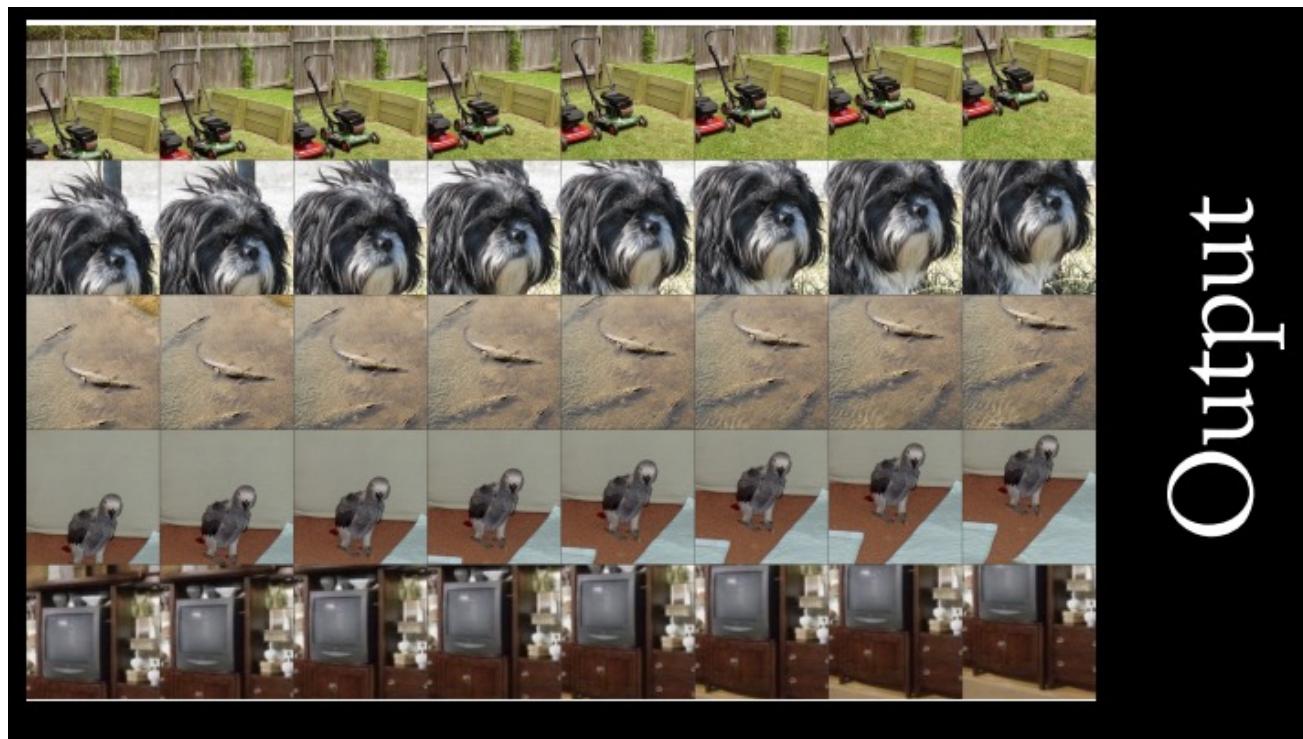
Removing layer 3, 4, 6, 7

33.5% drop in performance. Depth is crucial.



Translation invariance

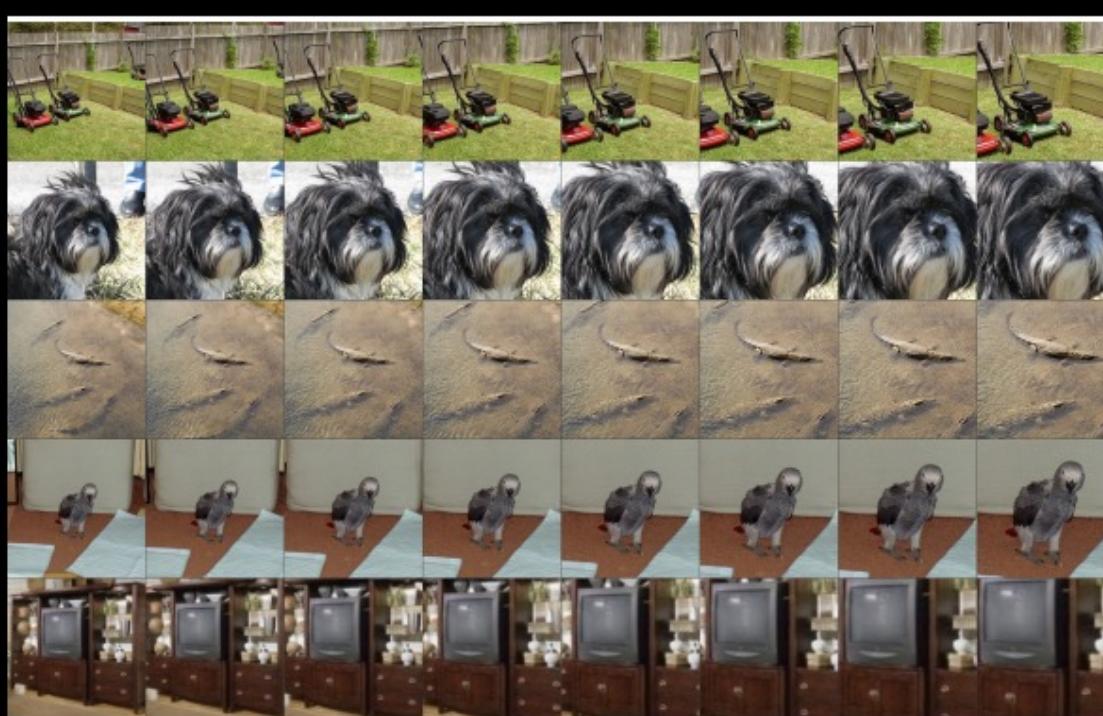
- CNNs are more or less translation invariant



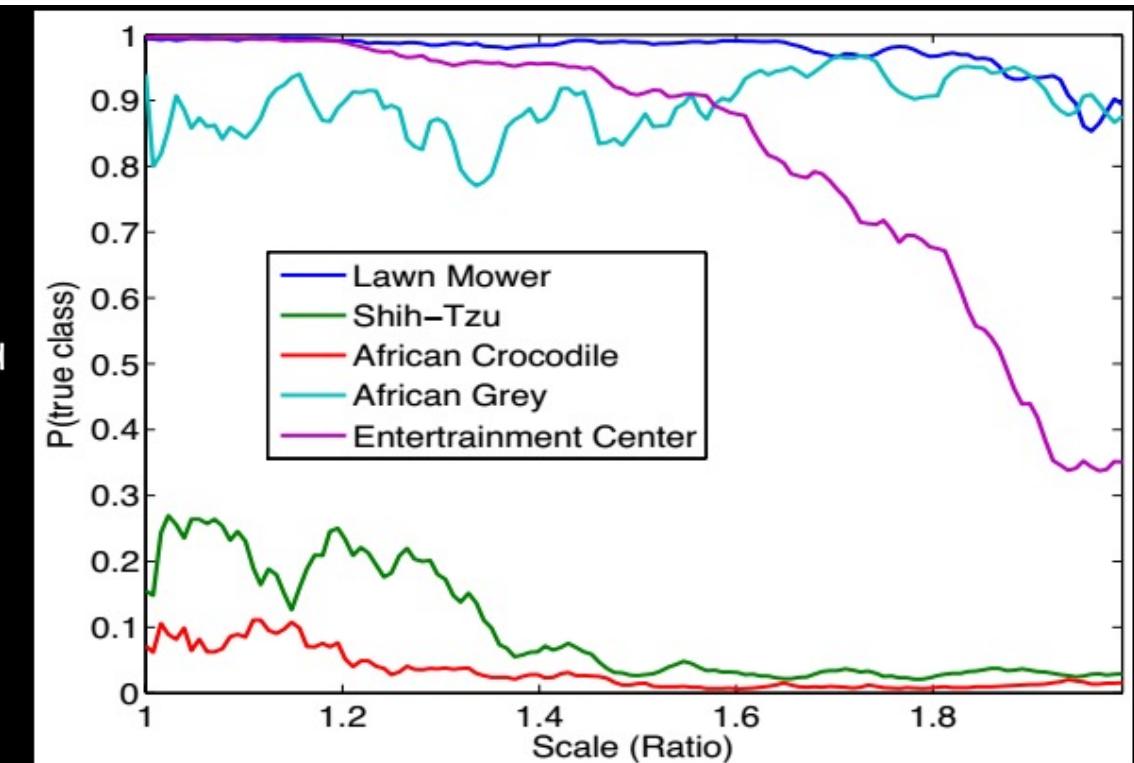
Credit: R. Fergus slides

Scale invariance

- CNNs are scale invariant to some degree
 - The standard convolutional filters are not scale invariant
 - Scale invariance learnt depends on scale variations present in data

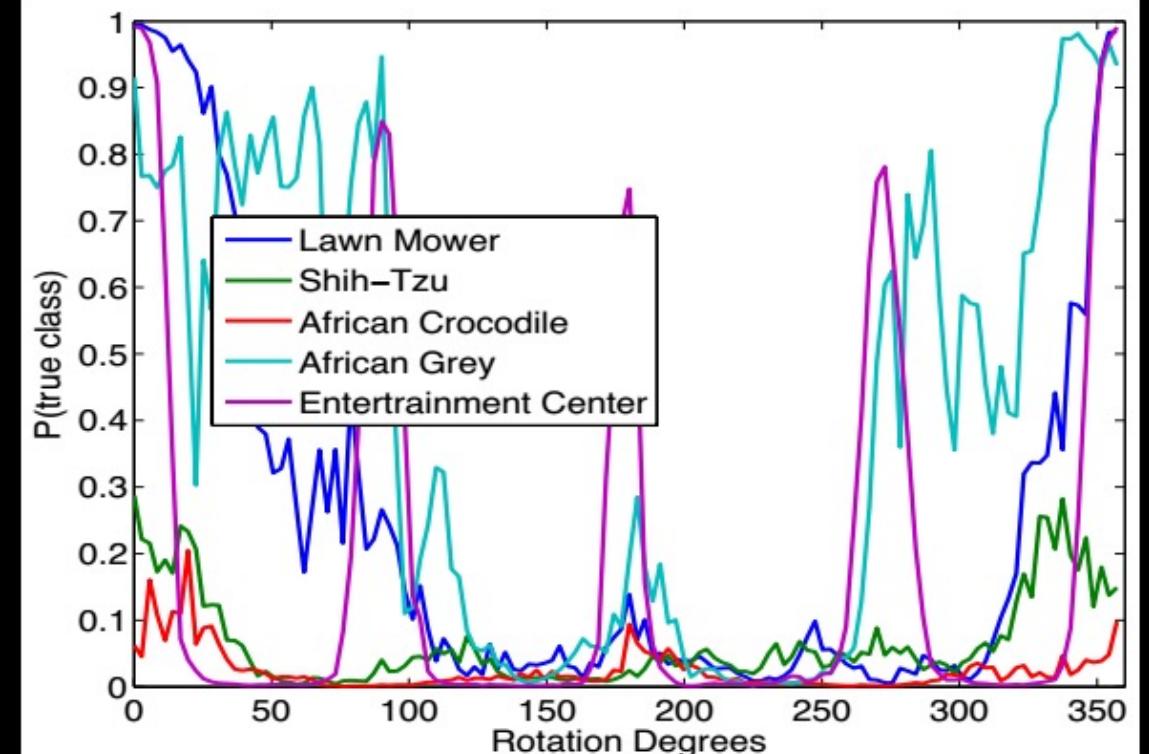


Output



Rotation invariance

- CNNs are not rotation invariant
 - The standard convolutional filters not rotation invariant
 - And only few rotated examples in the training set. Augmentation can help



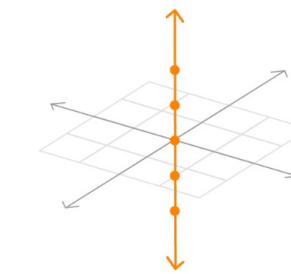
Further reading

- <https://distill.pub/2019/activation-atlas/>
- <https://distill.pub/2018/differentiable-parameterizations/>
- <https://distill.pub/2020/circuits/>

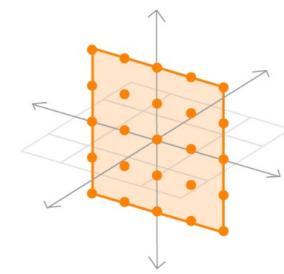
INDIVIDUAL NEURONS



PAIRWISE INTERACTIONS

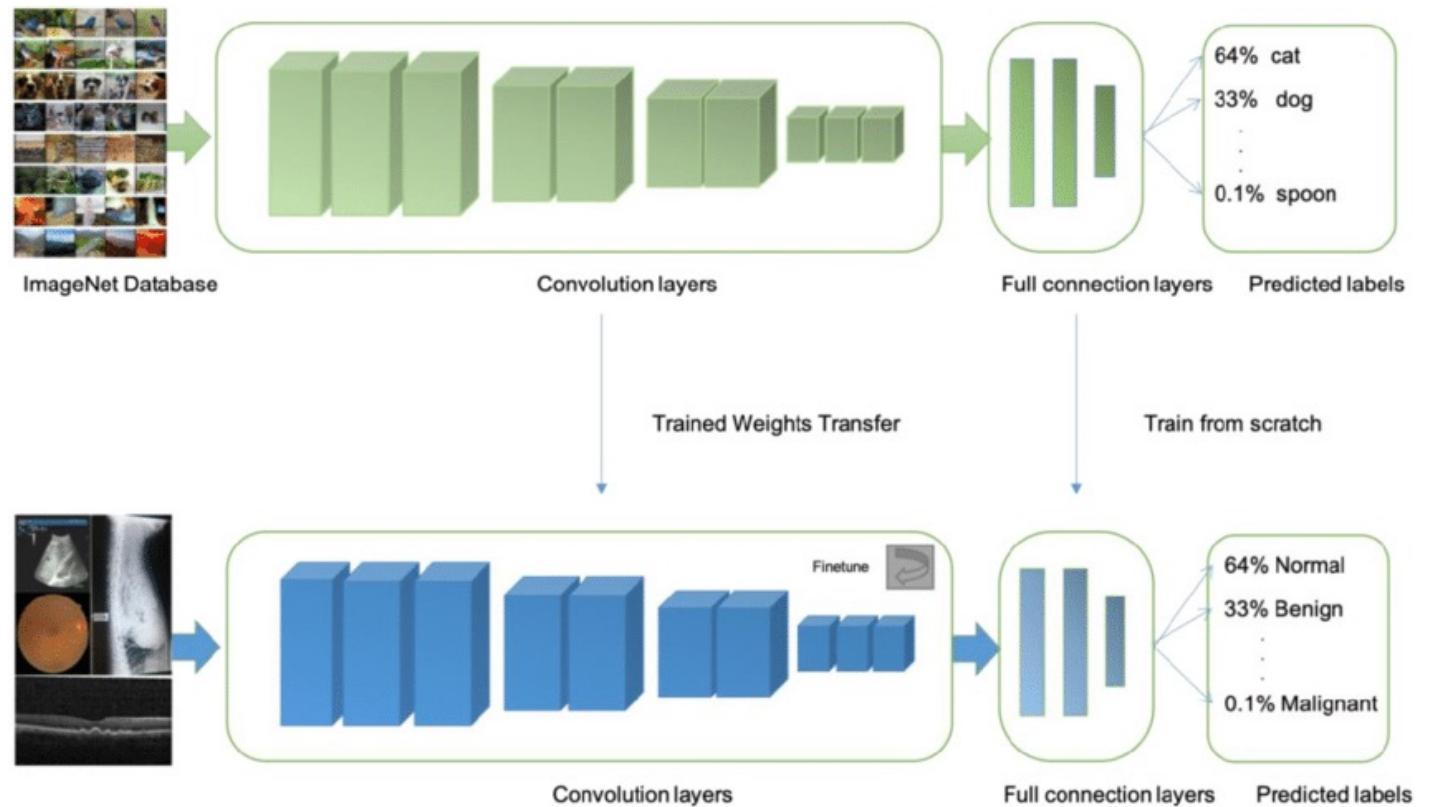


Visualizing individual neurons make hidden layers somewhat meaningful, but misses interactions between neurons — it only shows us one-dimensional, orthogonal probes of the high-dimensional activation space.



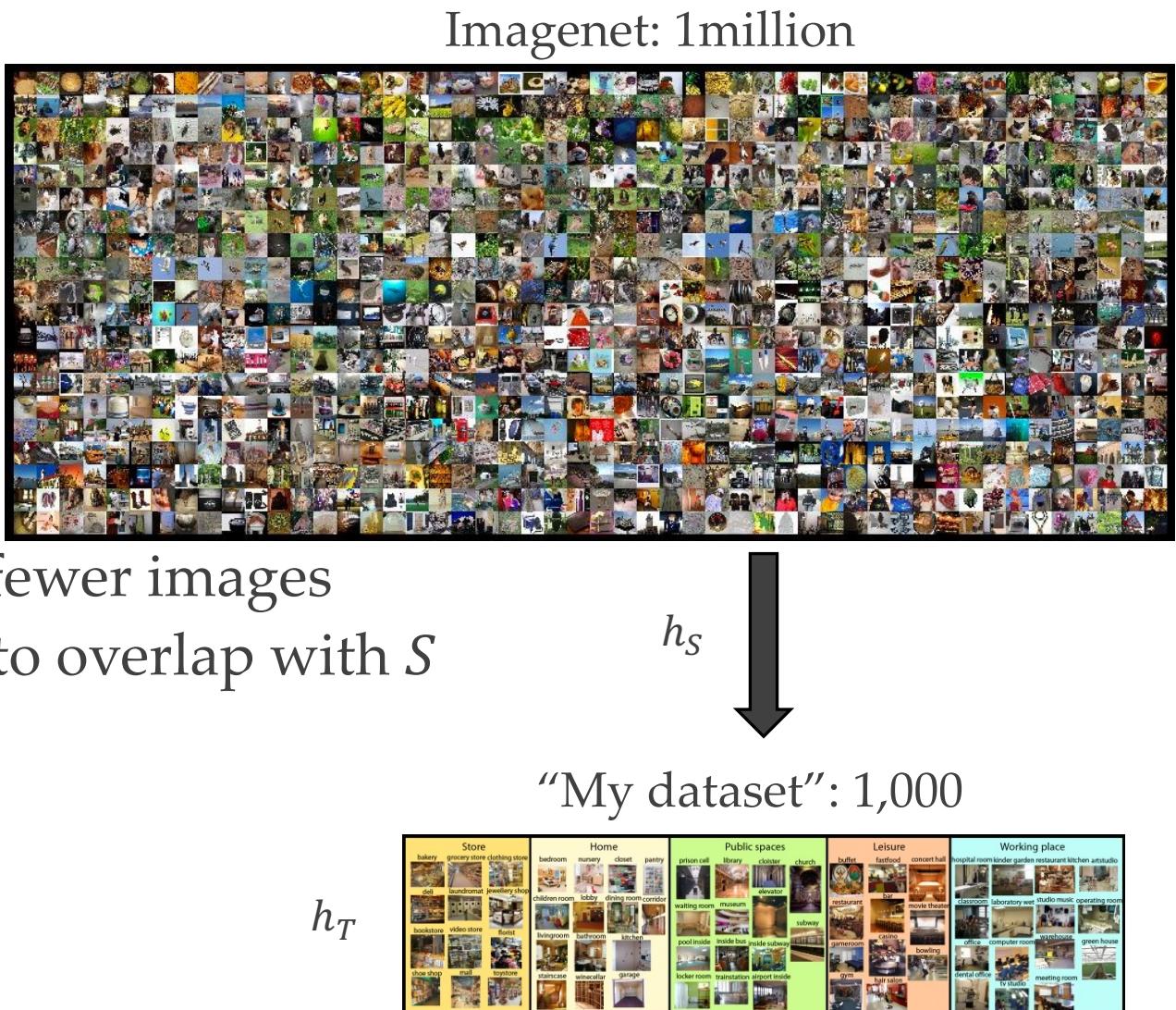
Pairwise interactions reveal interaction effects, but they only show two-dimensional slices of a space that has hundreds of dimensions, and many of the combinations are not realistic.

Transfer learning



Transfer learning: carry benefits from large dataset to the small one!

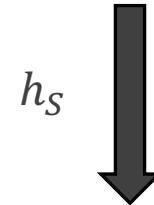
- Assume two datasets, T and S
- Dataset S is
 - fully annotated, plenty of images
 - We can build a model h_S
- Dataset T is
 - Not as much annotated, or much fewer images
 - The annotations of T do not need to overlap with S
- We can use the model h_S to learn a better specialised h_T
- This is called transfer learning



UPDATE: Transfer learning

- Assume two datasets, T and S
- Dataset S is
 - ~~fully annotated, plenty of images~~
 - HUGE
 - We can build a model h_S
(using self-supervised learning)
- Dataset T is
 - Not as much annotated, or much fewer images
 - The annotations of T do not need to overlap with S
- We can use the model h_S to learn a better specialised h_T
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Instagram: 5Billion+...



“My dataset”: 1,000



h_T

Why use Transfer Learning?

- A CNN* can have millions of parameters
- But our datasets are not always as large
- Could we still train a CNN without overfitting problems?

*Not only CNNs, also ViTs (see Lecture 7)

Table of all available classification weights

Accuracies are reported on ImageNet-1K using single crops:

Weight	Acc@1	Acc@5	Params
AlexNet_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	56.522	79.066	61.1M
ConvNeXt_Base_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	84.062	96.87	88.6M
ConvNeXt_Large_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	84.414	96.976	197.8M
ConvNeXt_Small_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	83.616	96.65	50.2M
ConvNeXt_Tiny_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	82.52	96.146	28.6M
DenseNet121_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	74.434	91.972	8.0M
DenseNet161_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	77.138	93.56	28.7M
DenseNet169_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	75.6	92.806	14.1M
DenseNet201_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	76.896	93.37	20.0M
EfficientNet_B0_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	77.692	93.532	5.3M
EfficientNet_B1_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	78.642	94.186	7.8M
EfficientNet_B1_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V2	79.838	94.934	7.8M
ViT_H_14_Weights.IMAGENET1K_SWAG_E2E_V1	88.552	98.694	633.5M
ViT_H_14_Weights.IMAGENET1K_SWAG_LINEAR_V1	85.708	97.73	632.0M
ViT_L_16_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	79.662	94.638	304.3M
ViT_L_16_Weights.IMAGENET1K_SWAG_E2E_V1	88.064	98.512	305.2M
ViT_L_16_Weights.IMAGENET1K_SWAG_LINEAR_V1	85.146	97.422	304.3M
ViT_L_32_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	76.972	93.07	306.5M
Wide_ResNet101_2_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	78.848	94.284	126.9M
Wide_ResNet101_2_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V2	82.51	96.02	126.9M
Wide_ResNet50_2_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V1	78.468	94.086	68.9M
Wide_ResNet50_2_Weights.IMAGENET1K_V2	81.602	95.758	68.9M

<https://pytorch.org/vision/stable/models.html>

Convnets are good in transfer learning

- Even if our dataset T is not large, we can train a CNN for it
- Pre-train a network on the dataset S
- Then, there are two main solutions
 - Fine-tuning
 - CNN as feature extractor

Solution I: Fine-tune h_T using h_S as initialization

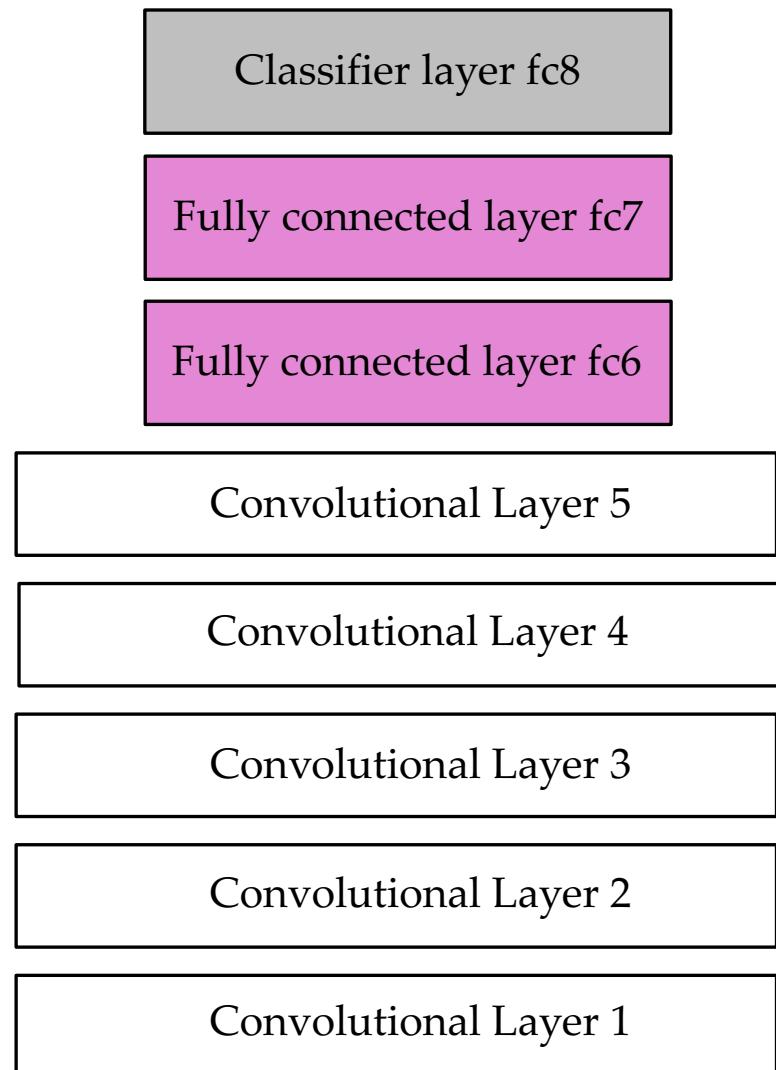
- Assume parameters trained on S are already a good initial solution
- Use them as the initial parameters for our new CNN for the target dataset

$$w_l^S = w_{l,init}^T \text{ for layers } l = 1, 2, \dots$$

- Better when your source S is large and target T is small (relatively)
 - E.g. reuse parameters from Imagenet models for smaller datasets
- What layers to initialize and how?

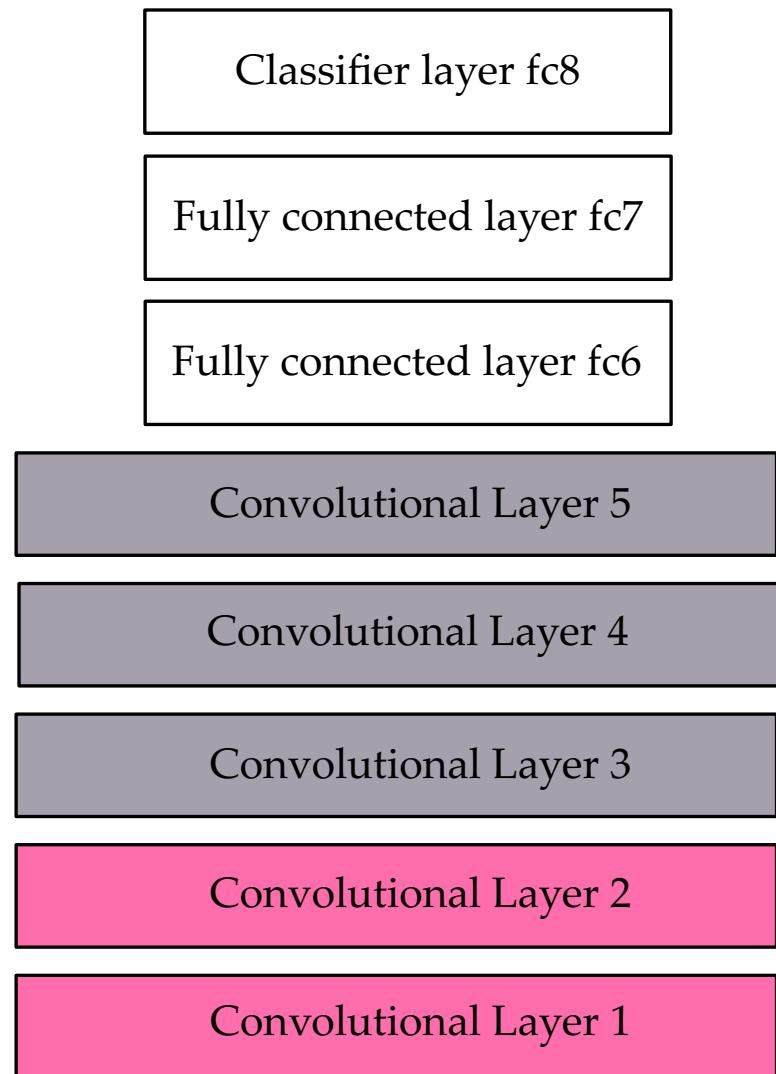
Initializing h_T with h_S

- Classifier layer to loss
 - The loss layer essentially is the “classifier”
 - Same labels → keep the weights from h_S
 - Different labels → delete the layer and start over
 - When too few data, fine-tune only this layer
- Fully connected layers
 - Very important for fine-tuning
 - Maybe delete the last layer before the classification layer if datasets are very different
 - Combine spatial features, more semantics
 - If you have more data, fine-tune these layers first



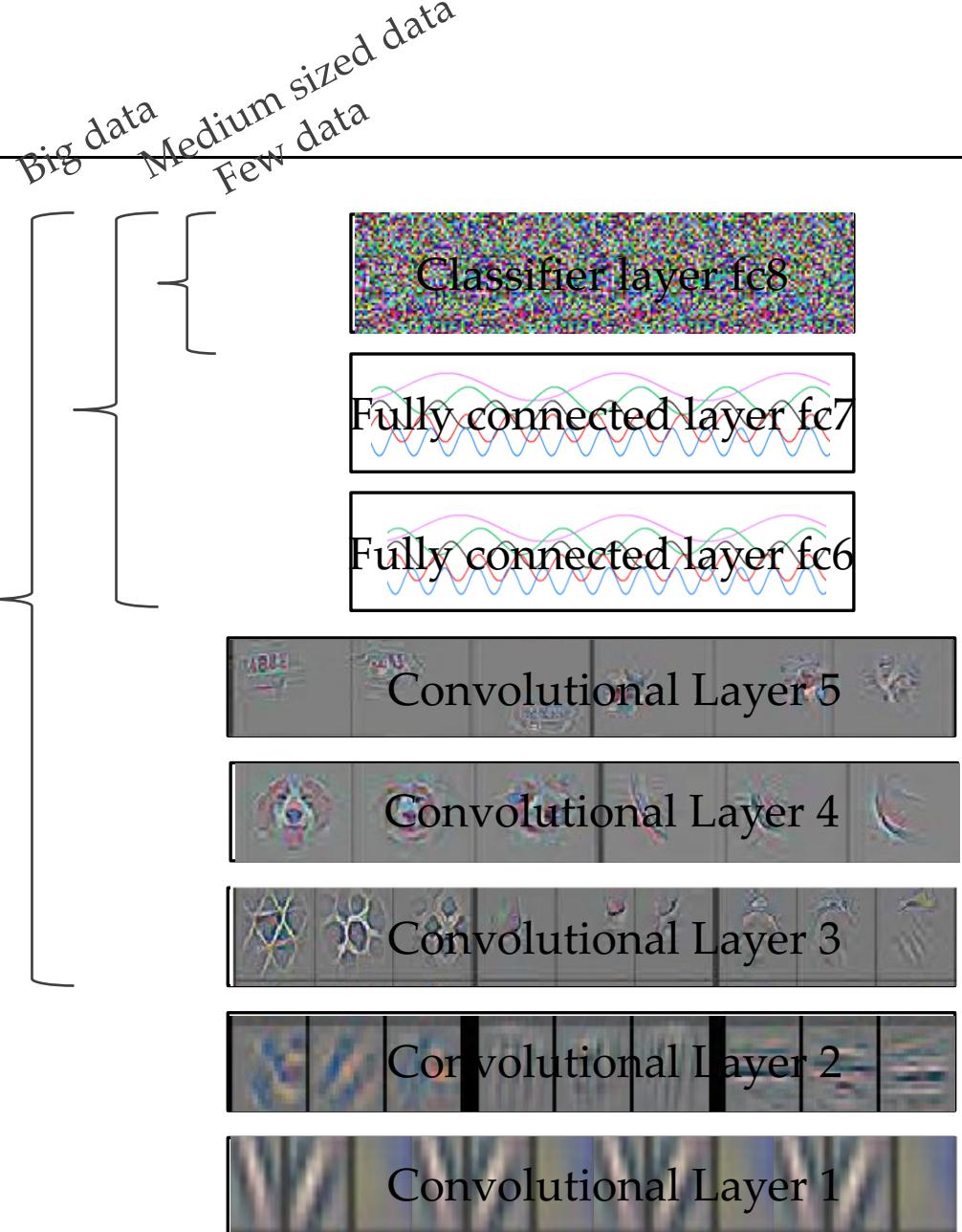
Initializing h_T with h_S

- Upper convolutional layers (conv4, conv5)
 - Mid-level spatial features (face, wheel detectors ...)
 - Can be different from dataset to dataset
 - Capture more generic information
 - Fine-tune if dataset is big enough
- Lower convolutional layers (conv1, conv2)
 - They capture low level information
 - This information does not change usually
 - Probably, no need to fine-tune but no harm trying



How to fine-tune?

- For layers initialized from h_S use a mild learning rate
 - Your network is already close to a near optimum
 - If too aggressive, learning might diverge
 - A learning rate of 0.001 is a good starting choice (assuming 0.01 was the original learning rate)
- For completely new layers (e.g. loss) use aggressive learning rate
 - If too small, the training will converge very slowly
 - The rest of the network is near a solution, this layer is very far from one
 - A learning rate of 0.01 is a good starting choice
- If datasets are very similar, fine-tune only fully connected layers
- If datasets are different and you have enough data, fine-tune all layers
- You can also sometimes just learn the norm layers (works surprisingly well)



Solution II: Use h_s as a feature extractor for h_T

- Similar to a case of solution I where you train only the loss layer
 - But can be used with ‘external classifiers’
 - Essentially use the network as a pretrained feature extractor
- Use when the target dataset T is very small
 - Any fine-tuning of layer might cause overfitting
 - Or when we don’t have the resources to train a deep net
 - Or when we don’t care for the best possible accuracy

Transfer learning benchmarks & techniques

- Key idea: can the model *generalize* to different datasets and distributions
- See Self-Supervised Learning lecture

Summary

- Convolutions
- Convolutional Neural Networks
- Alexnet case study
- Transfer learning

Reading material

- Deep Learning Book Chapter 9
- UDL book Chapter 10