

Lite-HRNet: A Lightweight High-Resolution Network

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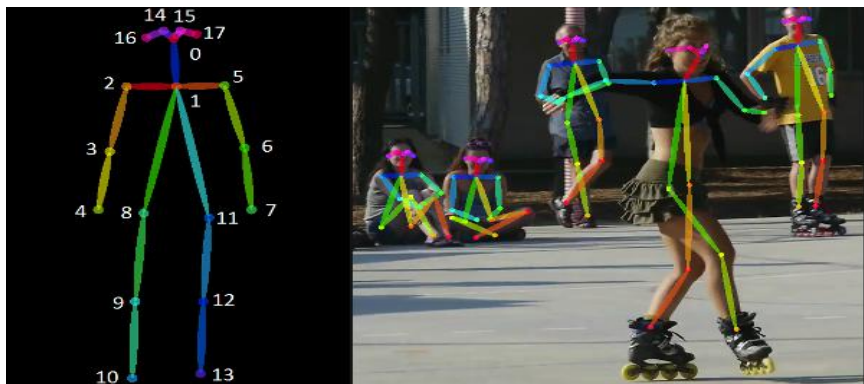
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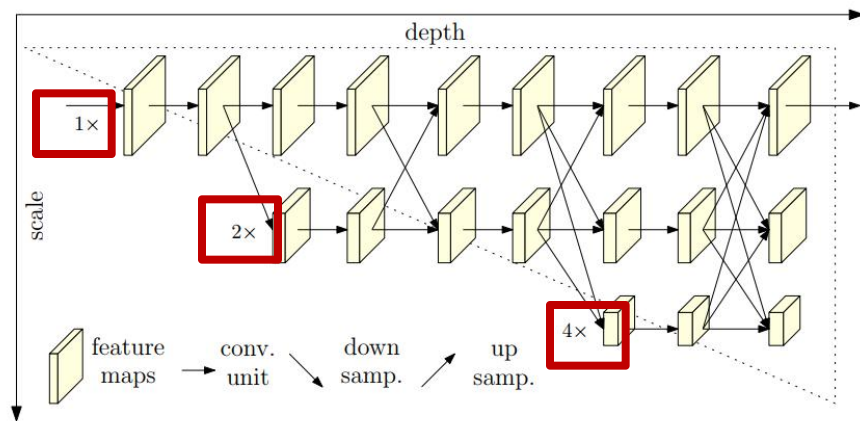


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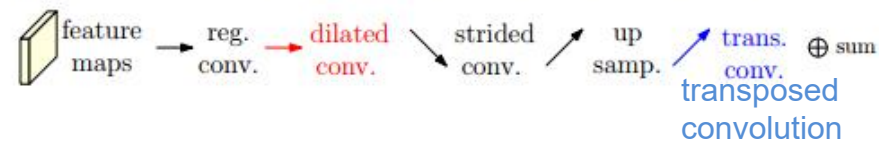
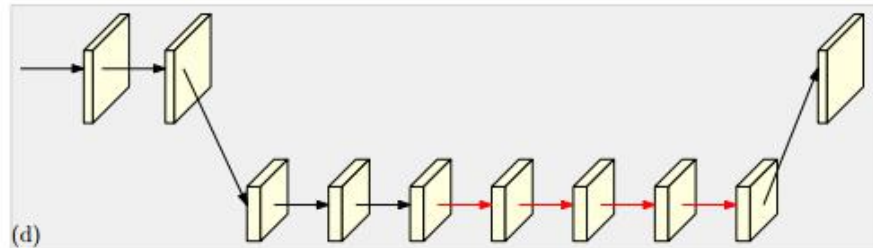
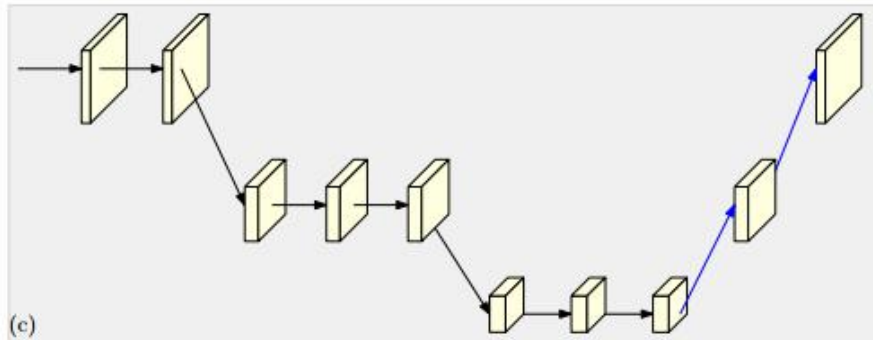
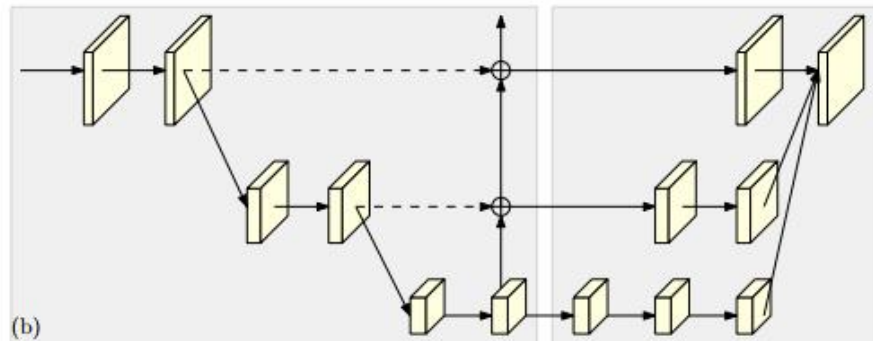
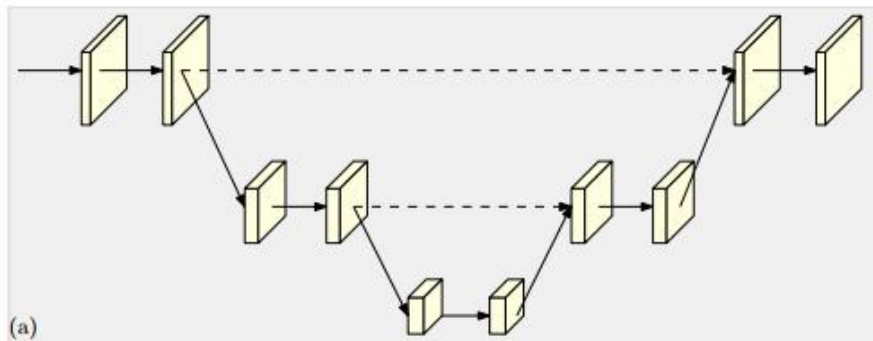
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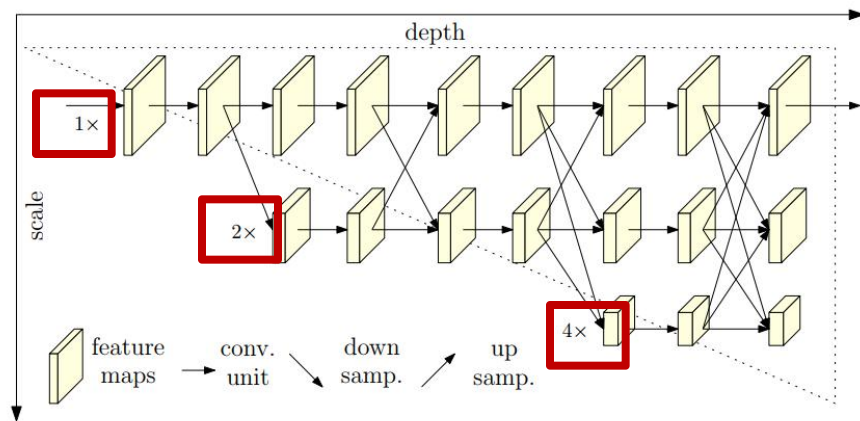
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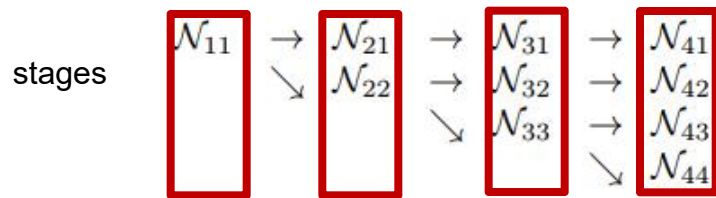
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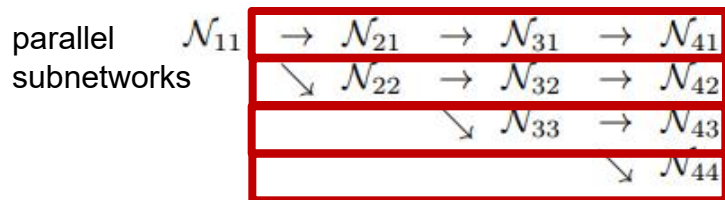
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contains four stages with
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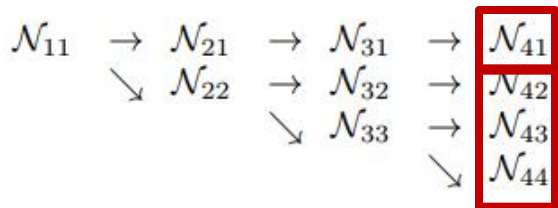
Stage内部没有交互，参数不共享。



parallel subnetworks内分辨率相同

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big net HRNet-W48

small net HRNet-W32

32 and 48 represent the `NUM_CHANNELS` of the high-resolution subnetworks in last three stages, respectively.

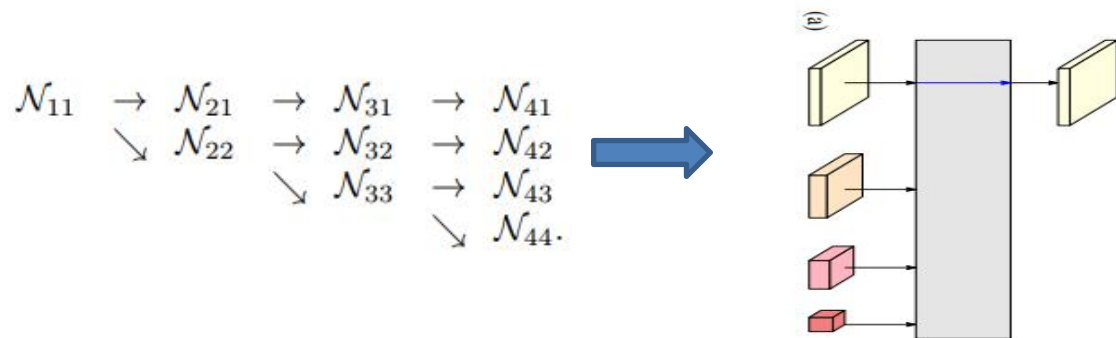
The widths of other three parallel subnetworks :

64; 128; 256 for HRNet-W32,

96; 192; 384 for HRNet-W48.

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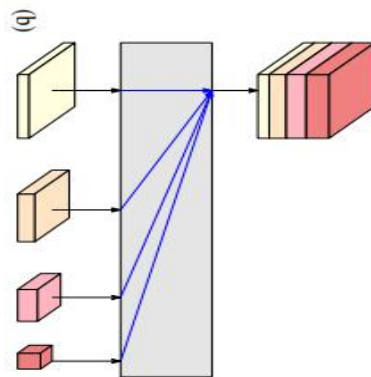
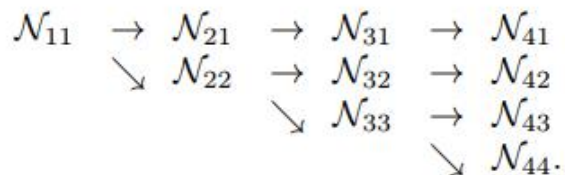


HRNetV1: 只使用分辨率最高的特征图，人体姿态估计。

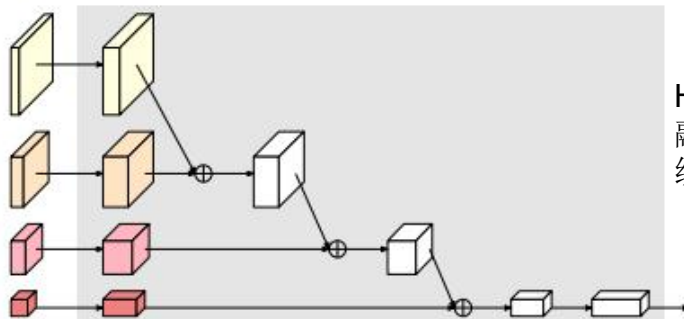
HRNetV2

- High-Resolution Representations for Labeling Pixels and Regions, 简称HRNet V2, 发表于CVPR2019

HRNetV1和HRNetV2其实不是版本迭代的过程,只是同一个网络用在不同任务上



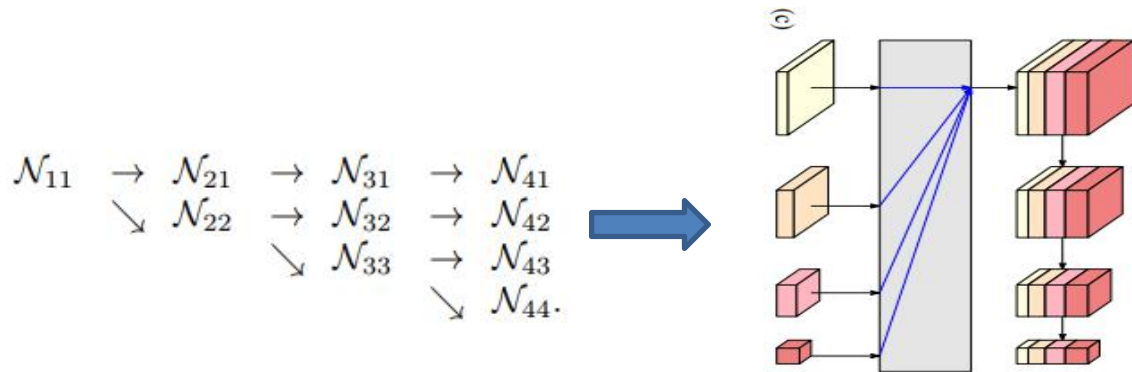
HRNetV2: 将所有分辨率的特征图进行concat, 主要用于语义分割和面部关键点检测



HRNetV2: 采用上图的融合方式, 主要用于训练分类网络。

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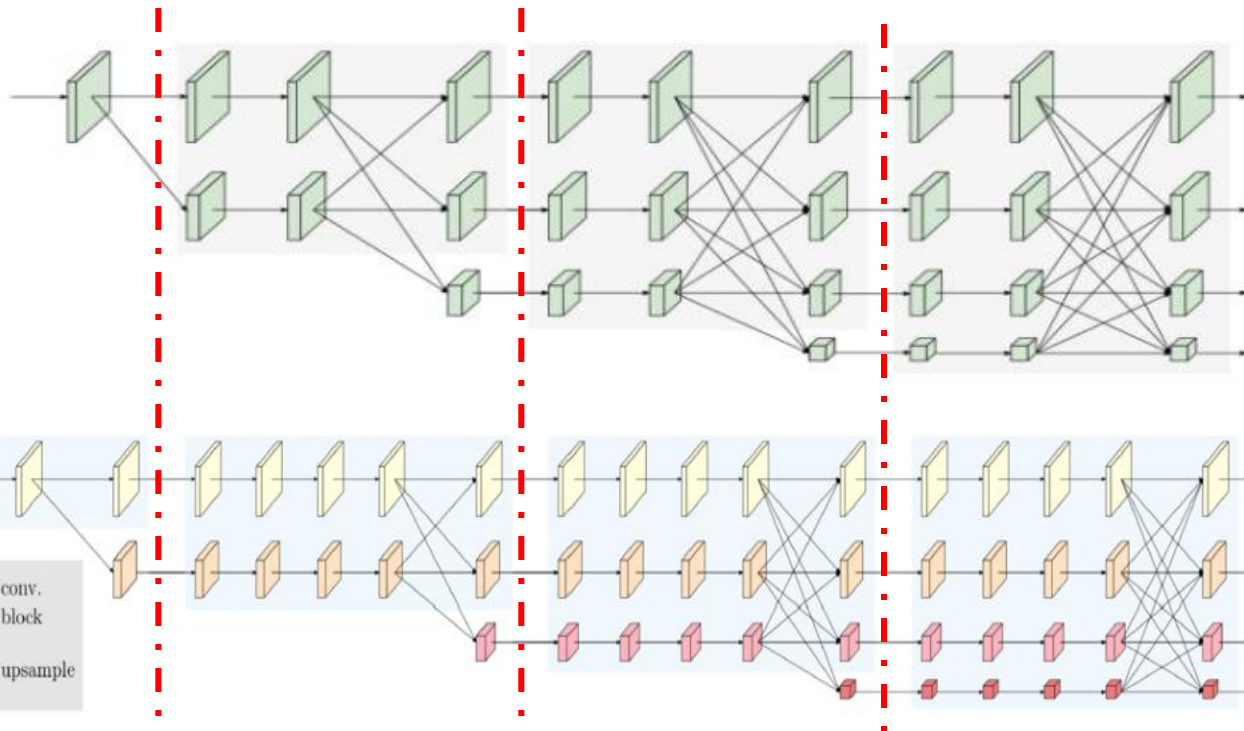


HRNetV2p: 在HRNetV2的基础上，使用了一个特征金字塔，主要用于目标检测网络

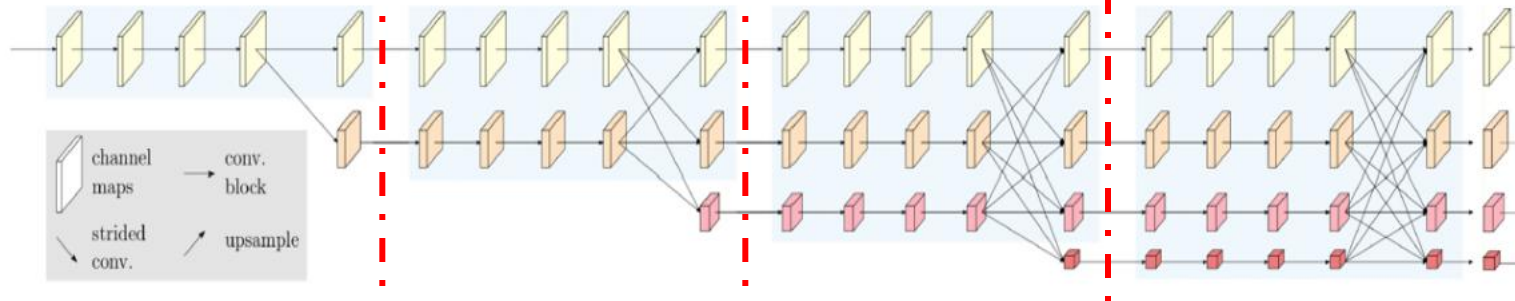
Small HRNet

- <https://github.com/HRNet/HRNet-Semantic-Segmentation>
- It simply reduces the depth and the width of the original HRNet.

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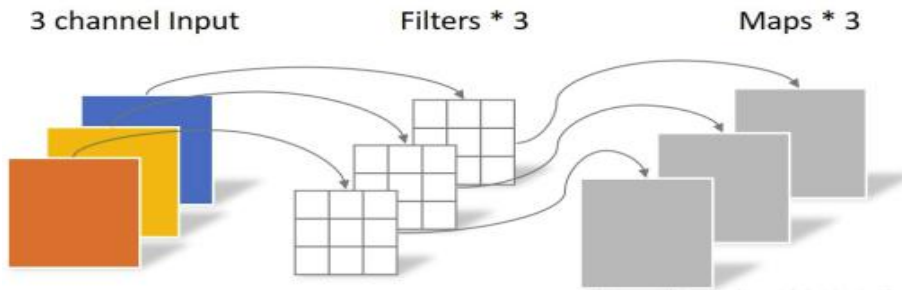
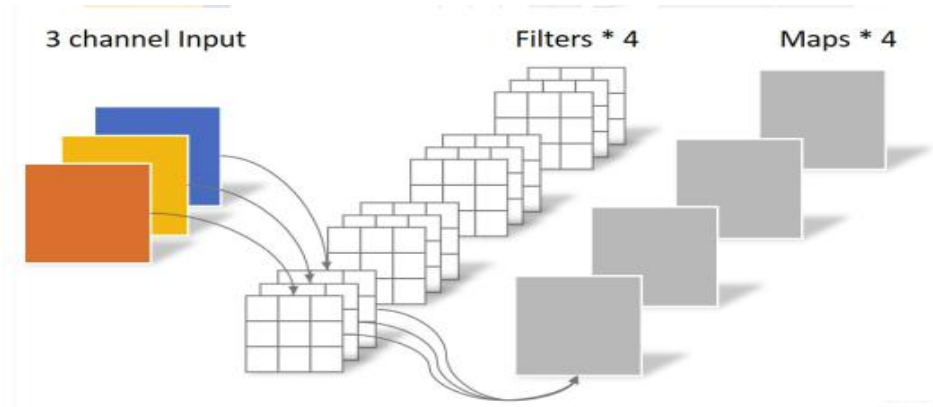


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- Face++ CVPR 2017

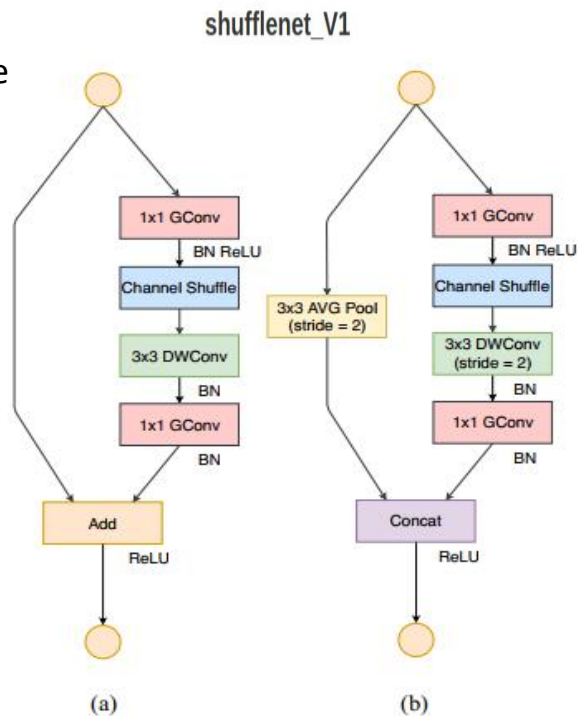


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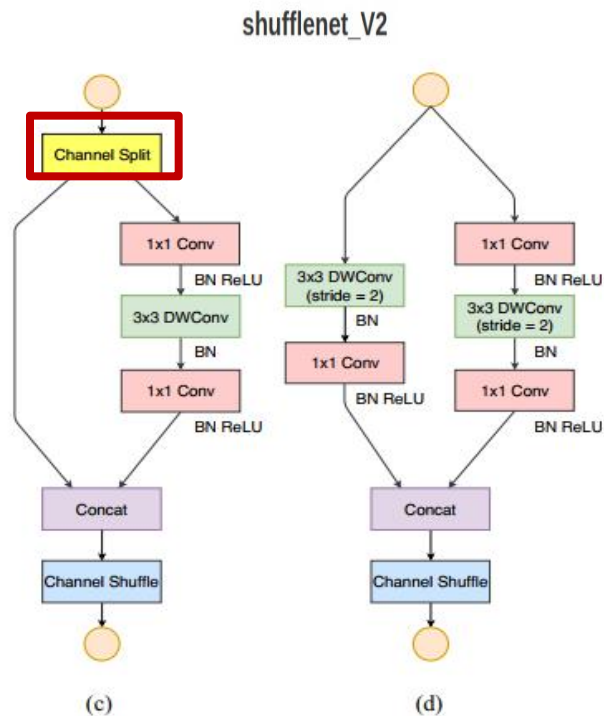
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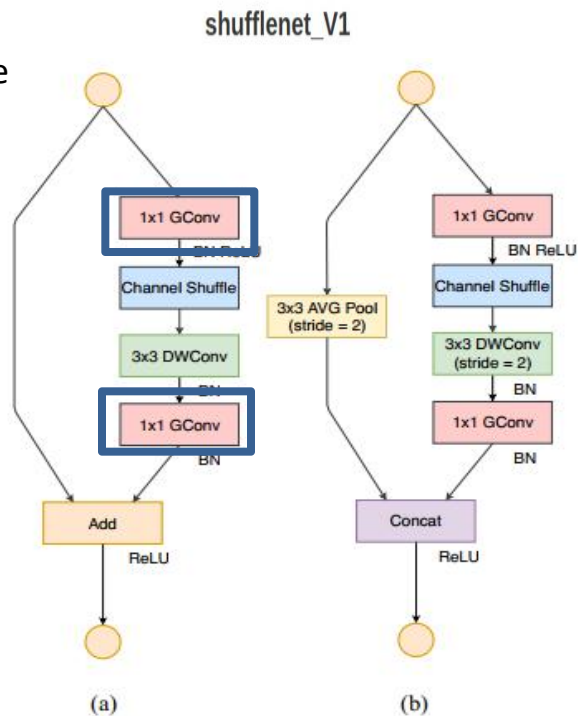


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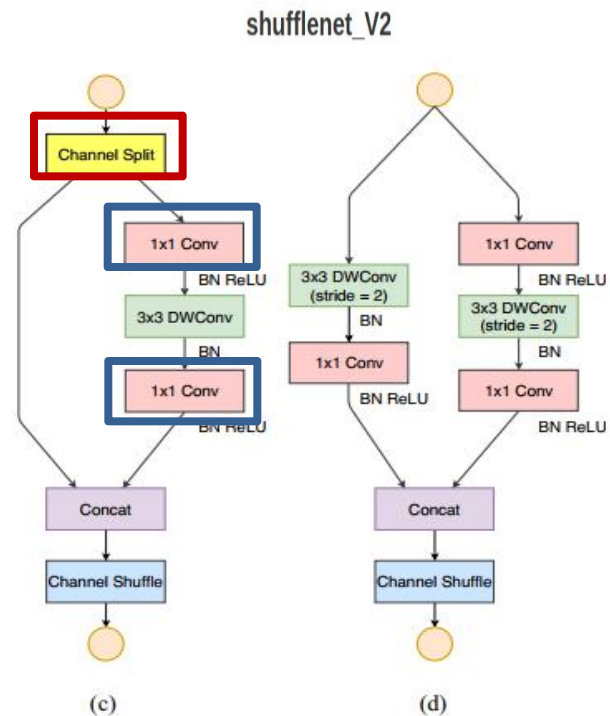
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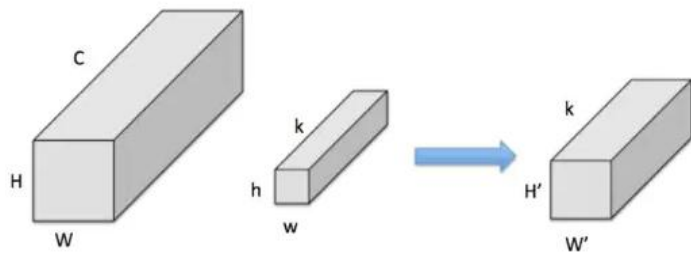


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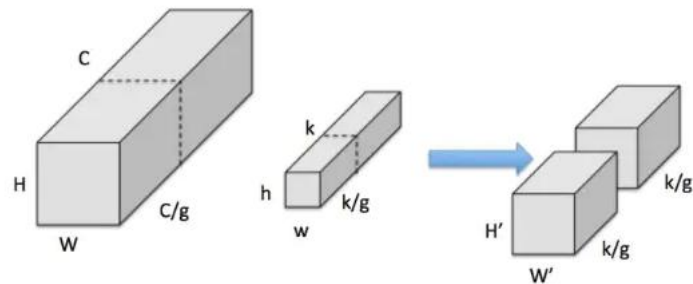
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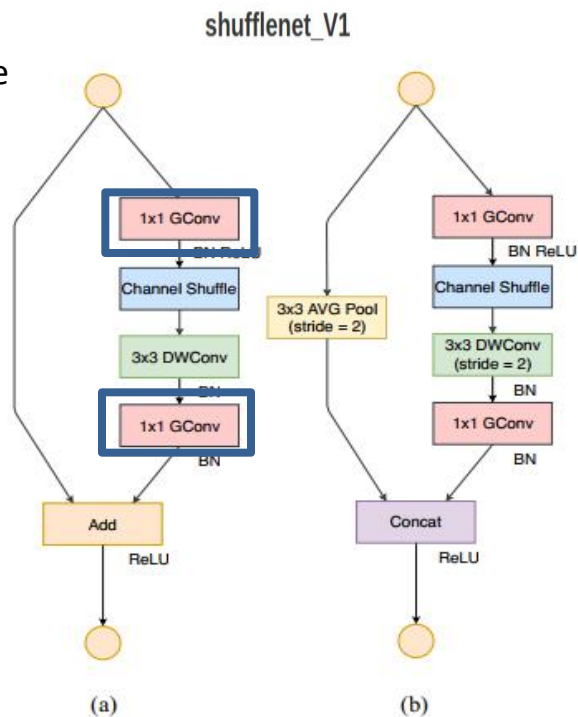


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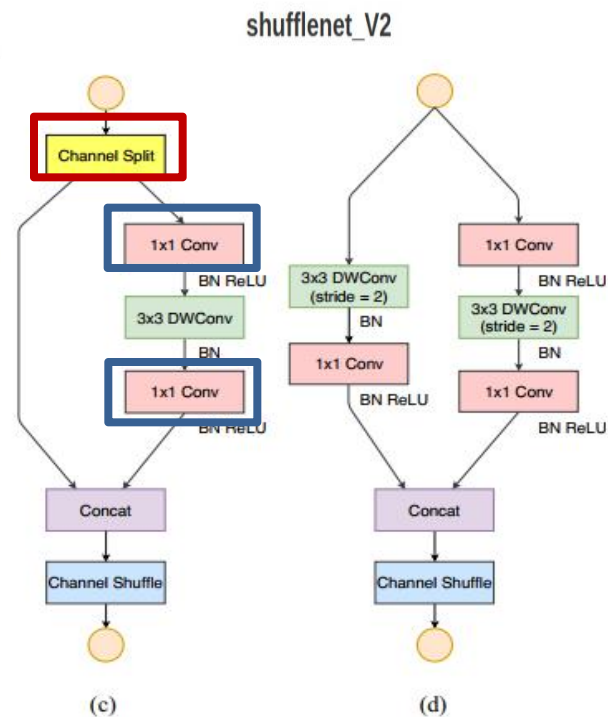
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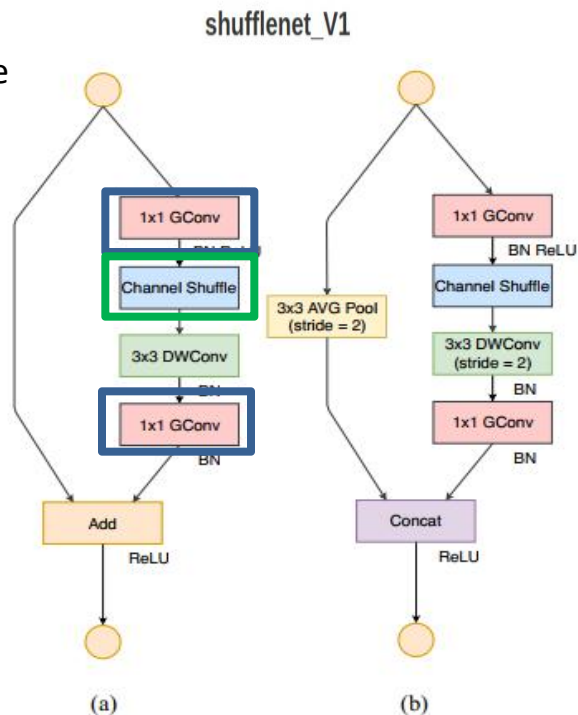
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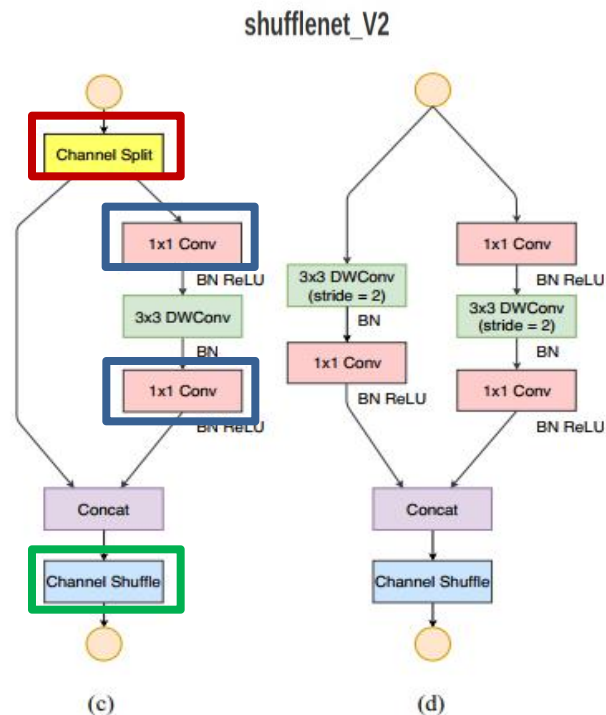
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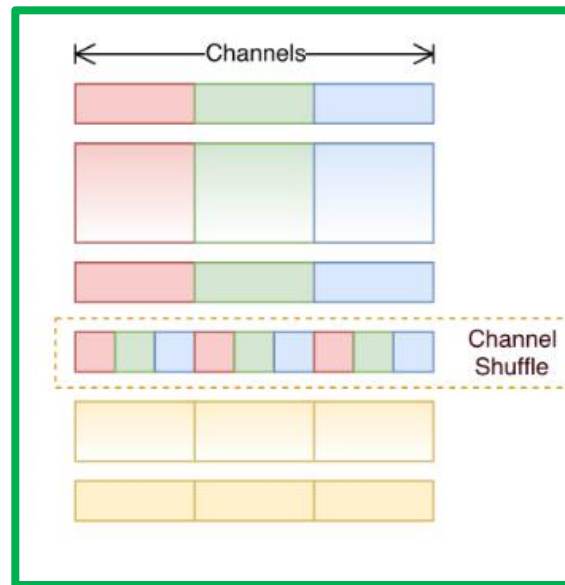
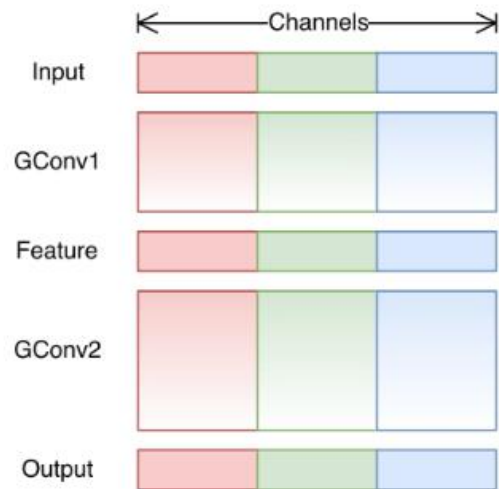


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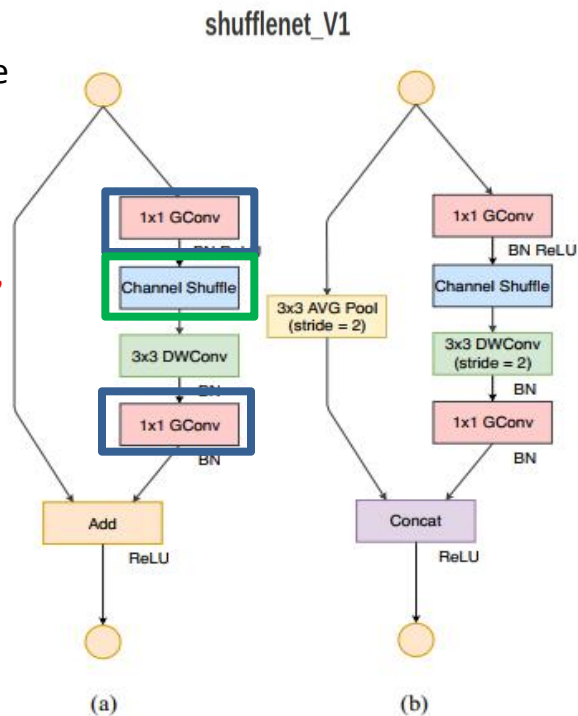


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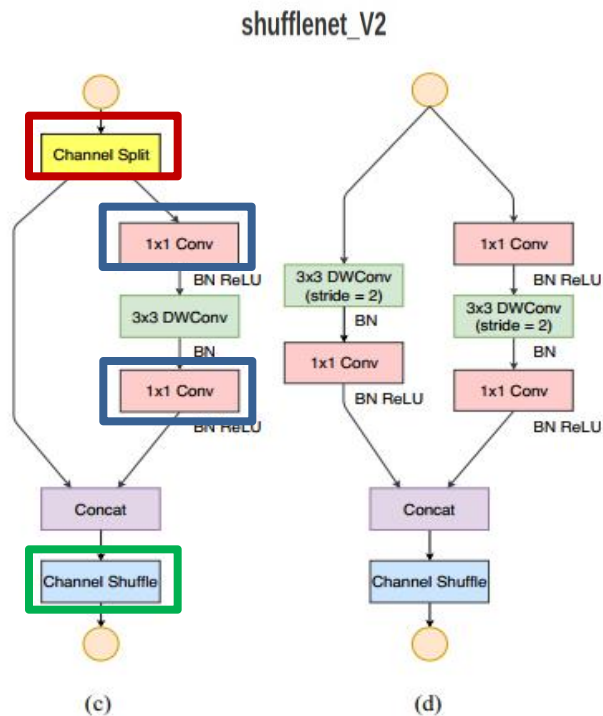
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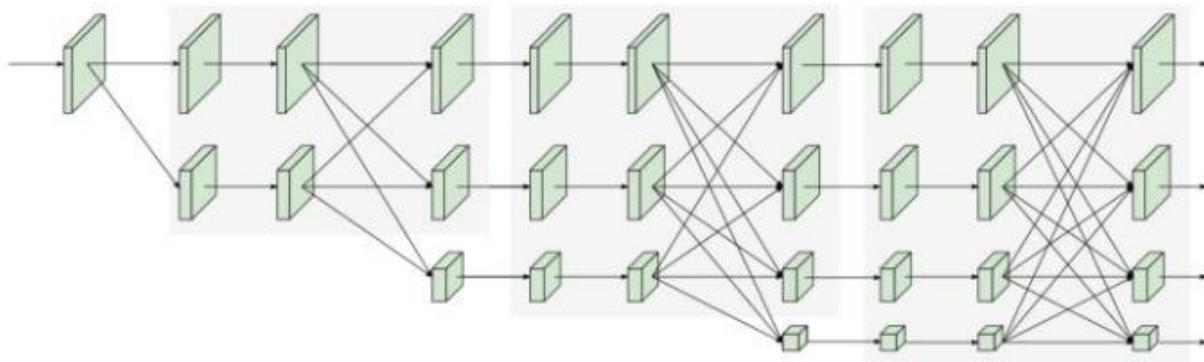
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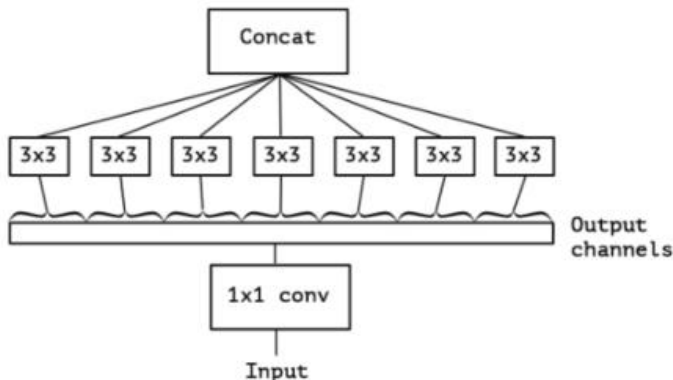
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stem	64×64	conv2d	conv2d	$2 \times$
		conv2d	shuffle block	$4 \times$
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Figure 4. An “extreme” version of our Inception module, with one spatial convolution per output channel of the 1x1 convolution.

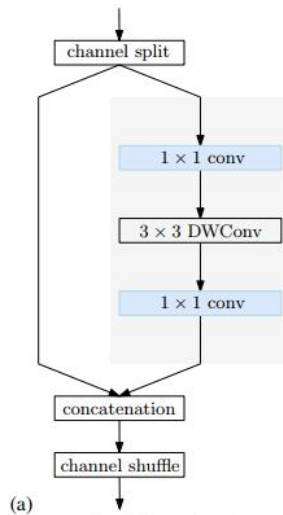


- 1.顺序不同：depthwise separable convolution是先做channel-wise spatial convolution在再做1x1的conv，而Xception是相反的。
- 2. Xception每个操作的后面都跟了ReLU非线性激活，而depthwise separable convolution是没有的。

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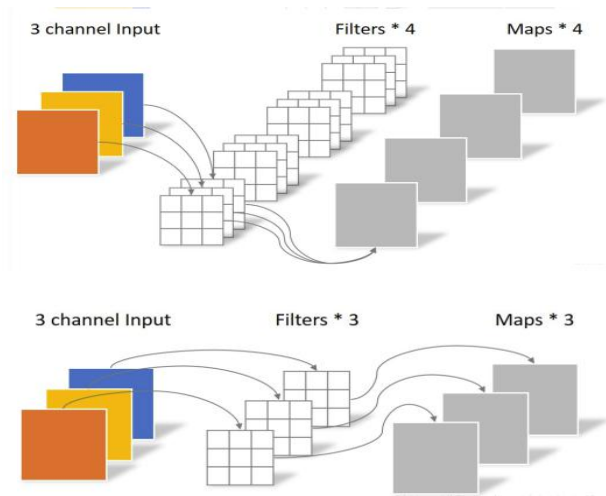
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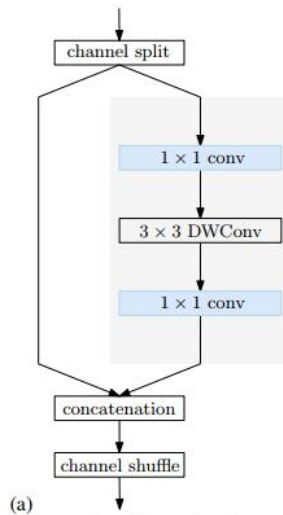
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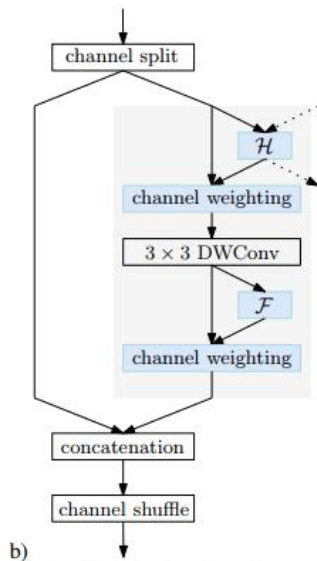
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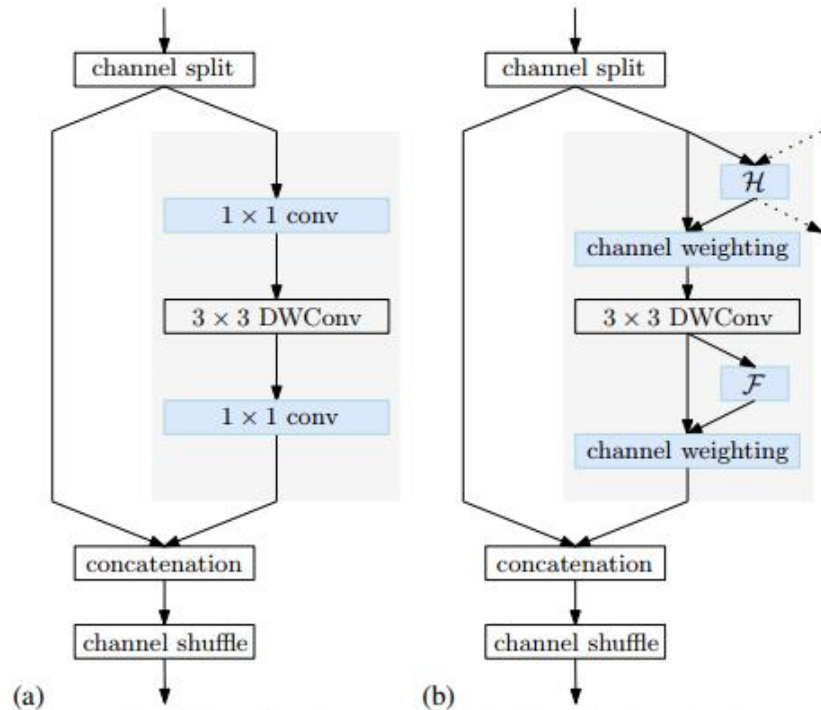


conditional channel weighting

- **CCW**: $Y_s = W_s \odot X_s$,
- Conv: $Y = W \otimes X$,

W_s 是 $W_s \times H_s \times C_s$ 的矩阵, 表示weight map; \odot 表示元素乘法操作。

- w权重计算:
- **H**: Cross-resolution Weight Computation
- **F**: Spatial Weighting Computation



Shuffle Block

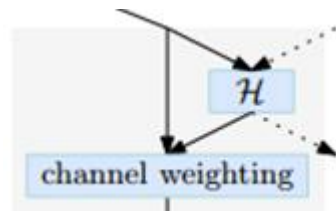
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H: Cross-resolution Weight Computation

$$(W_1, W_2, \dots, W_s) = \mathcal{H}_s(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_s),$$

- s-th stage has s parallel resolutions and s weight maps W_1, W_2, \dots, W_s



conditional channel weighting

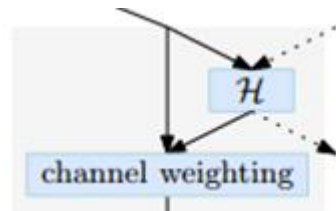
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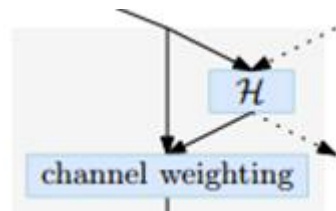
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\rightarrow upsampled to the corresponding resolutions,

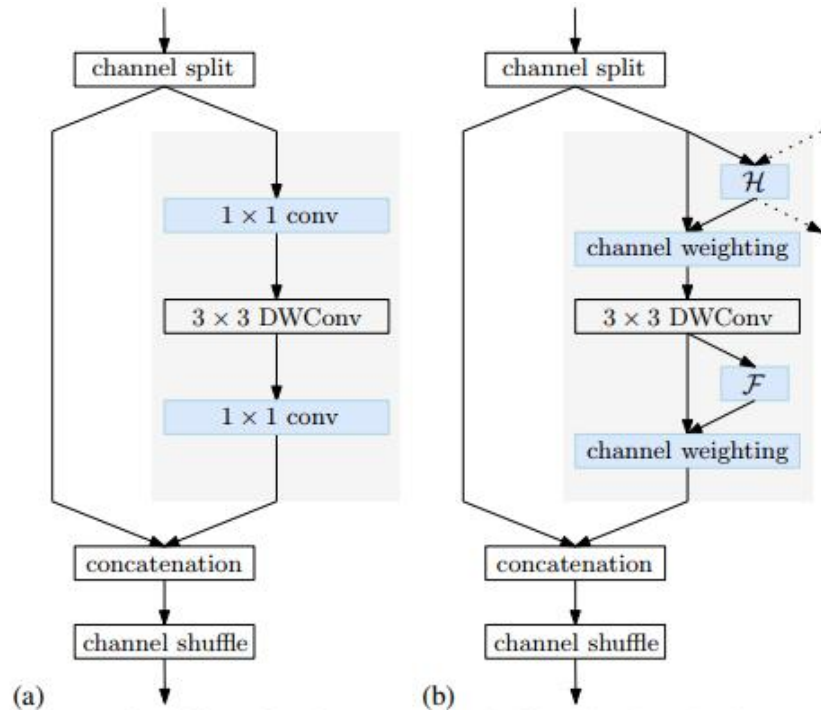


conditional channel weighting

F: Spatial Weighting Computation

$$\mathbf{w}_s = \mathcal{F}_s(\mathbf{X}_s).$$

- GAP(global average pooling) + FC + ReLU + FC + sigmoid
- Gathering the spatial information from all the positions



Shuffle Block

CCW Block

Conditional Channel Weighting

- 使用CCW代替卷积以减少网络的计算需求

model	single-resolution	cross-resolution	Theory Complexity	Example FLOPs
1×1 convolution	✓		$\sum_1^s N_s C_s^2$	12.5M
3×3 depthwise convolution			$\sum_1^s 9N_s C_s$	2.1M
CCW w/ spatial weights	✓		$\sum_1^s (2C_s^2 + N_s C_s)$	0.25M
CCW w/ multi-resolution weights		✓	$2(\sum_1^s C_s)^2 + \sum_1^s N_s C_s$	0.26M
CCW	✓	✓	$2(\sum_1^s C_s)^2 + 2\sum_1^s (C_s^2 + N_s C_s)$	0.51M

Lite-HRNet结构

layer	output size	operator	resolution branch	#output_channels	repeat	#modules	
						Lite-HRNet-18	Lite-HRNet-30
image	256×256		$1 \times$	3			
stem	64×64	conv2d	$2 \times$	32	1	1	1
		shuffle block	$4 \times$	32	1		
stage ₂	64×64	ccw block	$4 \times 8 \times$	40, 80	2	2	3
		fusion block	$4 \times 8 \times$	40, 80	1		
stage ₃	64×64	ccw block	$4 \times 8 \times 16 \times$	40, 80, 160	2	4	8
		fusion block	$4 \times 8 \times 16 \times$	40, 80, 160	1		
stage ₄	64×64	ccw block	$4 \times 8 \times 16 \times 32 \times$	40, 80, 160, 320	2	2	3
		fusion block	$4 \times 8 \times 16 \times 32 \times$	40, 80, 160, 320	1		
FLOPs						273.4M	425.3M
#Params						1.1M	1.8M

Table 4. **Comparisons on the COCO test-dev set.** #Params and FLOPs are calculated for the pose estimation network, and those for human detection and keypoint grouping are not included.

model	backbone	input size	#Params	GFLOPs	AP	AP ⁵⁰	AP ⁷⁵	AP ^M	AP ^L	AR
<i>Large networks</i>										
Mask-RCNN [14]	ResNet-50-FPN	—	—	—	63.1	87.3	68.7	57.8	71.4	—
G-RMI [33]	ResNet-101	353×257	42.6M	57.0	64.9	85.5	71.3	62.3	70.0	69.7
Integral Pose Regression [38]	ResNet-101	256×256	45.0M	11.0	67.8	88.2	74.8	63.9	74.0	—
CPN [7]	ResNet-Inception	384×288	—	—	72.1	91.4	80.0	68.7	77.2	78.5
RMPE [13]	PyraNet [49]	320×256	28.1M	26.7	72.3	89.2	79.1	68.0	78.6	—
SimpleBaseline [46]	ResNet-152	384×288	68.6M	35.6	73.7	91.9	81.1	70.3	80.0	79.0
HRNetV1 [41]	HRNetV1-W32	384×288	28.5M	16.0	74.9	92.5	82.8	71.3	80.9	80.1
HRNetV1 [41]	HRNetV1-W48	384×288	63.6M	32.9	75.5	92.5	83.3	71.9	81.5	80.5
DARK [55]	HRNetV1-W48	384×288	63.6M	32.9	76.2	92.5	83.6	72.5	82.4	81.1
<i>Small networks</i>										
MobileNetV2 1×	MobileNetV2	384×288	9.8M	3.33	66.8	90.0	74.0	62.6	73.3	72.3
ShuffleNetV2 1×	ShuffleNetV2	384×288	7.6M	2.87	62.9	88.5	69.4	58.9	69.3	68.9
Small HRNet	HRNet-W16	384×288	1.3M	1.21	55.2	85.8	61.4	51.7	61.2	61.5
Lite-HRNet	Lite-HRNet-18	384×288	1.1M	0.45	66.9	89.4	74.4	64.0	72.2	72.6
Lite-HRNet	Lite-HRNet-30	384×288	1.8M	0.70	69.7	90.7	77.5	66.9	75.0	75.4

Table 5. **Comparisons on the MPII val set.** The FLOPs is computed with the input size 256×256 .

model	#Params	GFLOPs	PCKh
MobileNetV2 1×	9.6M	1.97	85.4
MobileNetV3 1×	8.7M	1.82	84.3
ShuffleNetV2 1×	7.6M	1.70	82.8
Small HRNet-W16	1.3M	0.72	80.2
Lite-HRNet-18	1.1M	0.27	86.1
Lite-HRNet-30	1.8M	0.42	87.0

Table 8. **Segmentation results on Cityscapes.** P = pretrain the backbone on ImageNet. * indicates the complexity is estimated from the original paper.

model	P	#Params	GFLOPs	resolution	val	test
<i>Hand-crafted networks</i>						
ICNet [59]	Y	—	28.3	1024×2048	67.7	69.5
BiSeNetV1 A [53]	Y	5.8M	14.8	768×1536	69.0	68.4
BiSeNetV1 B [53]	Y	49.0M	55.3	768×1536	74.8	74.7
DFANet A' [23]	Y	7.8M	1.7	512×1024	—	70.3
SwiftNet [32]	Y	11.8M	26.0	512×1024	70.2	—
SwiftNet [32]	Y	11.8M	104	1024×2048	75.4	75.5
Fast-SCNN [35]	N	—	—	1024×2048	68.6	68.0
ShelfNet [62]	Y	—	36.9	1024×2048	—	74.8
BiSeNetV2 Small [50]	N	—	21.15	512×1024	73.4	72.6
MoibleNeXt [12]	Y	4.5M	10.1*	1024×2048	75.5	—
MobileNet V2 0.5 [36]	Y	0.3M	3.73	512×1024	68.6	—
HRNet-W16 [41]	Y	2.0M	7.8	512×1024	68.6	—
<i>NAS-based networks</i>						
CAS [58]	Y	—	—	768×1536	71.6	70.5
DF1-Seg-d8 [24]	Y	—	—	1024×2048	72.4	71.4
FasterSeg [4]	Y	4.4M	28.2	1024×2048	73.1	71.5
GAS [25]	Y	—	—	769×1537	—	71.8
MobileNetV3 [16]	Y	1.5M	9.1	1024×2048	72.4	72.6
MobileNet V3-Small	Y	0.5M	2.7	512×1024	68.4	69.4
Lite-HRNet-18	N	1.1M	1.95	512×1024	73.8	72.8
Lite-HRNet-30	N	1.8M	3.02	512×1024	76.0	75.3

Thanks !