# Less is More: Towards Compact CNNs

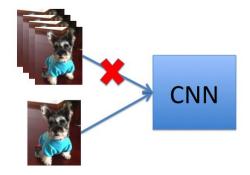
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#### **Motivation**

1. CNNs are very large (Millions of parameters)

2. Large memory footprint





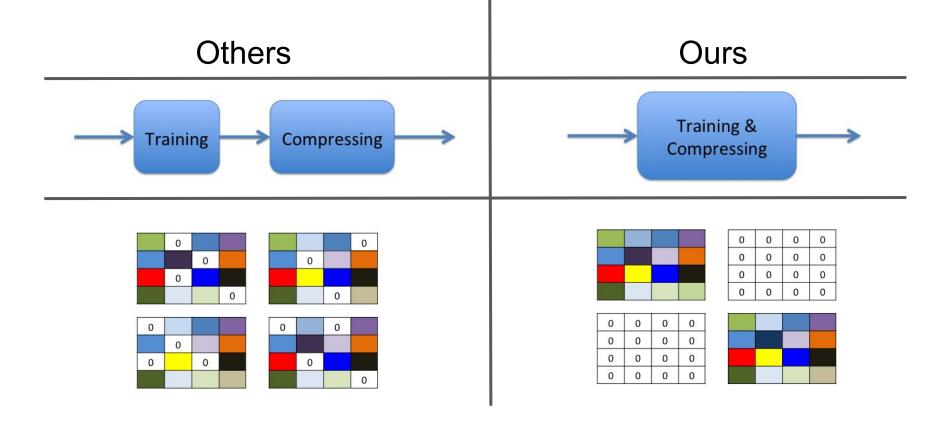
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What we did

AlexNet: 60M ——— 14M

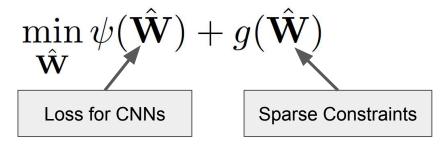
VGG: 133M **→ 74**M

#### Contributions



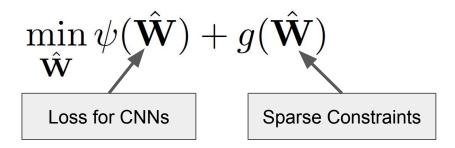
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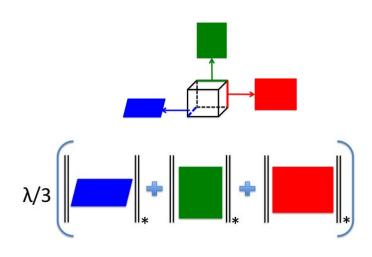
#### Forward-backward splitting:

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Forward: Backprop  $\hat{W}^* \leftarrow \hat{W} - \tau \frac{\psi(W)}{\hat{W}}$ 

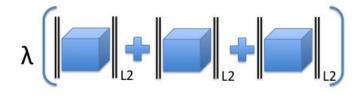
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Backward: Sparsity  $\hat{W} \leftarrow \arg\min_{\hat{W}} g(\hat{W}) + \frac{1}{2\tau} ||\hat{W} - \hat{W}^*||^2$ 

# Our method — sparse constraints

#### **Sparse Constraints**



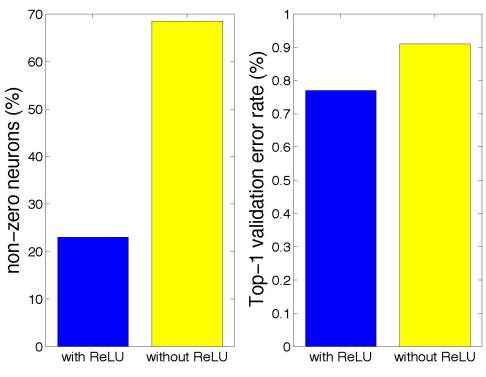
**Tensor Low Rank** 



**Group Sparsity** 

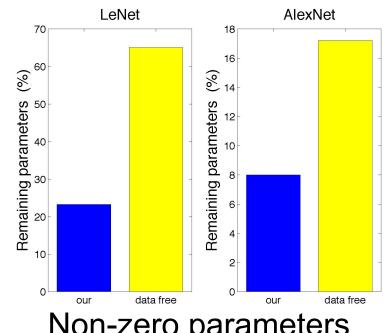
J.~Liu, P.~Musialski, P.~Wonka and J.~Ye: Tensor Completion for Estimating Missing Values in Visual Data. PAMI.(2013)

# Experiments — ReLU

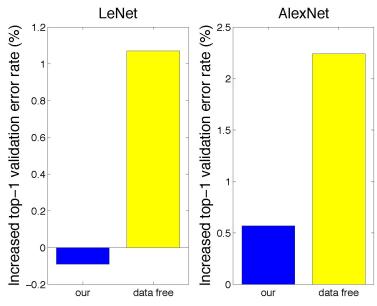


Conv2 on LeNet

### Experiments



Non-zero parameters



Increased error rate

Srinivas, S., Babu, R.V.: Data-free parameter pruning for deep neural networks. In: BMVC.(2015)

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