

Deep Learning for Object Category Recognition

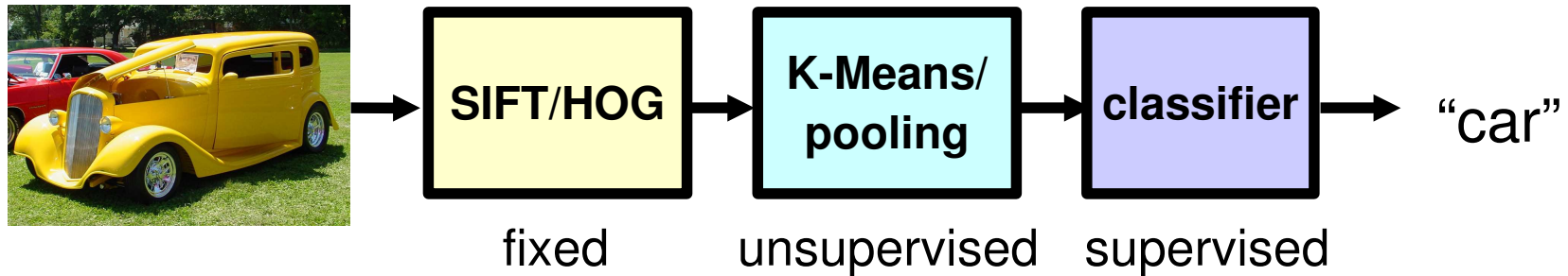
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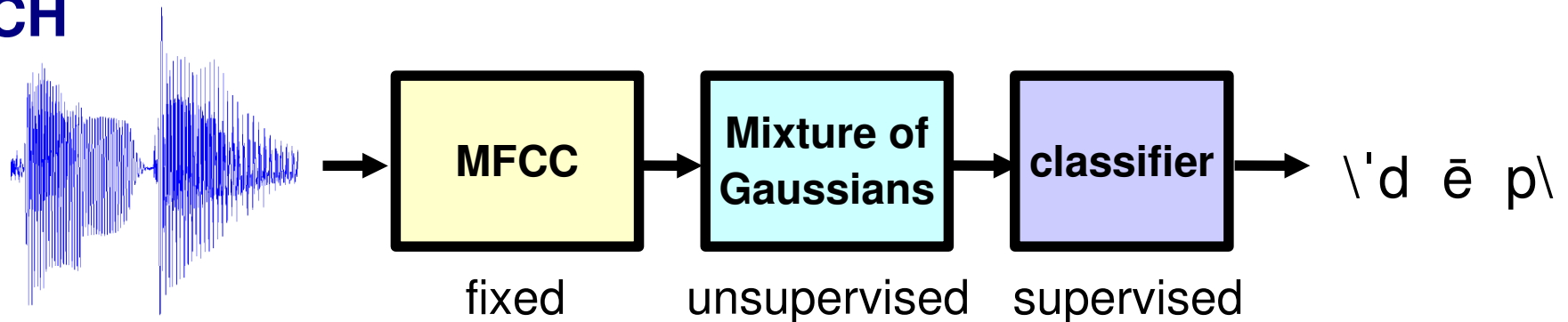
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Traditional Pattern Recognition

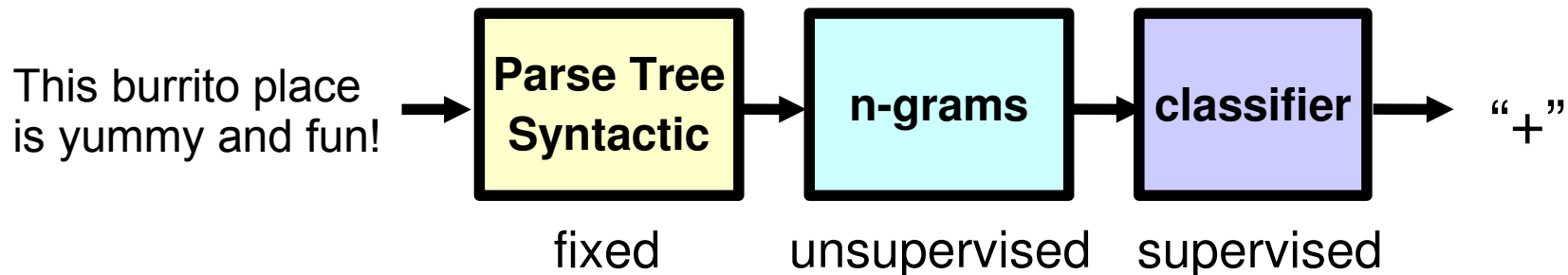
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SPEECH



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Hierarchical Compositionality (DEEP)

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pixels → edge → texton → motif → part → object

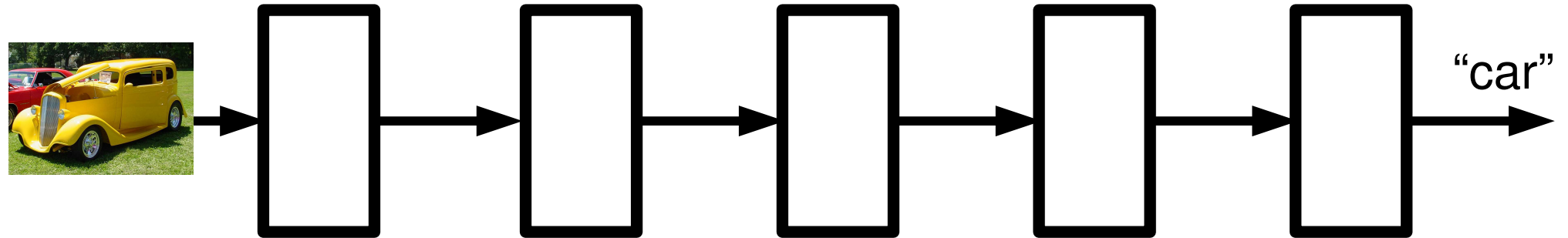
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sample → spectral
band → formant → motif → phone → word

NLP

character → word → NP/VP/.. → clause → sentence → story

Deep Learning



What is Deep Learning

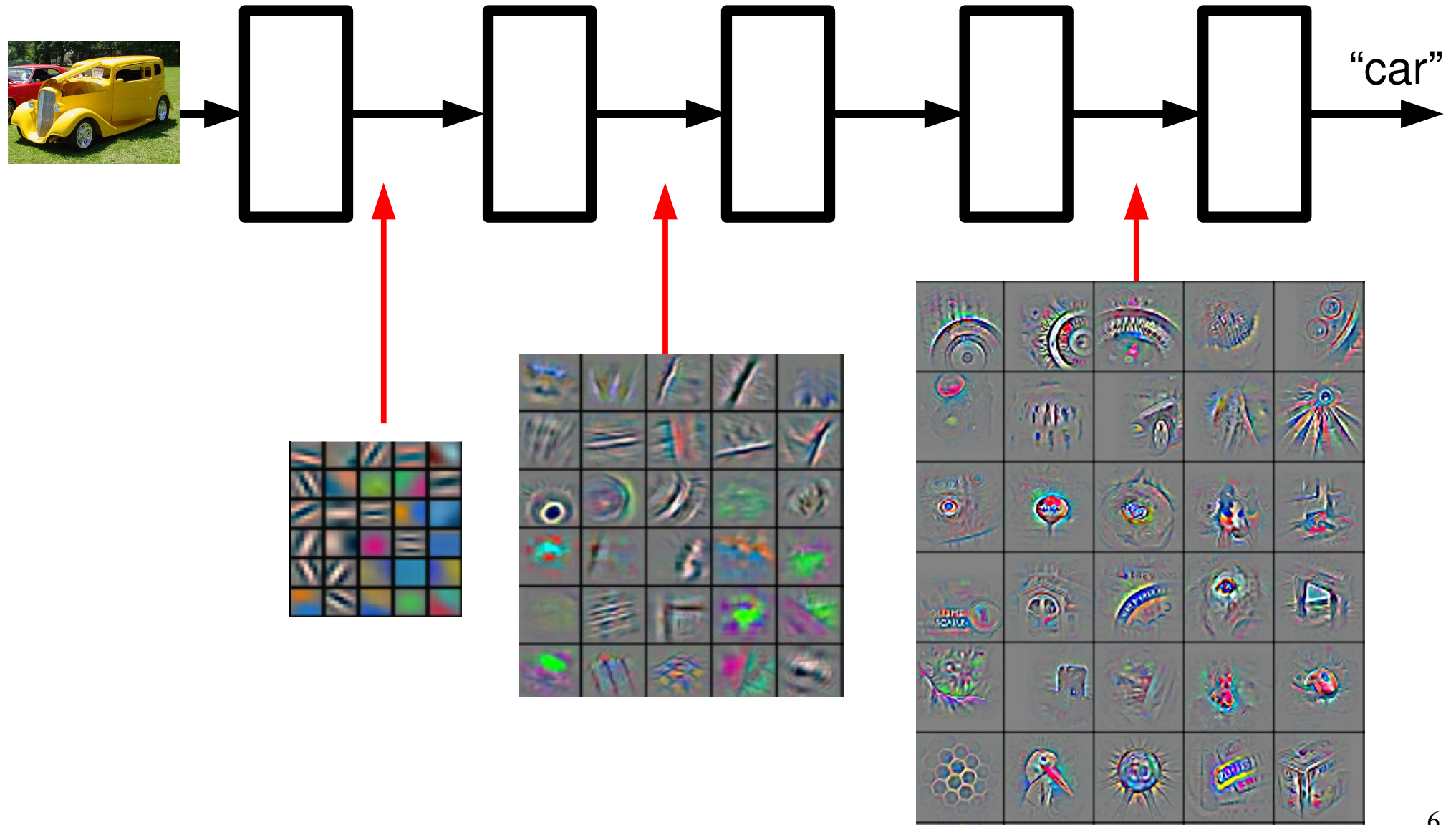
- Cascade of non-linear transformations
- End to end learning
- General framework (any hierarchical model is deep)

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- It is more efficient.

E.g.: Checking N-bit parity requires N-1 gates laid out on a tree of depth $\log(N-1)$. The same would require $O(\exp(N))$ with a two layer architecture.

$$p = \sum_i \alpha_i f_i(x) \quad \text{VS} \quad p = \alpha_n f_n(\alpha_{n-1} f_{n-1}(\dots \alpha_1 f_1(x) \dots))$$

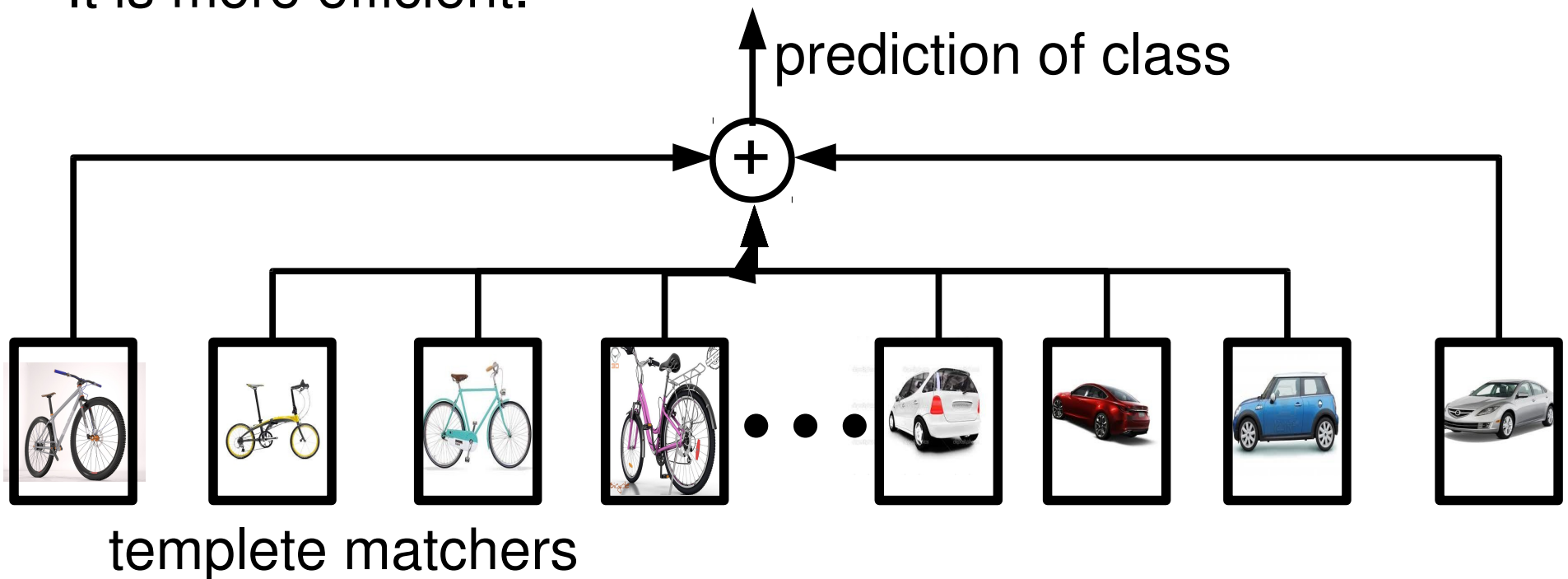
Shallow learner is often inefficient: it requires exponential number of templates (basis functions).

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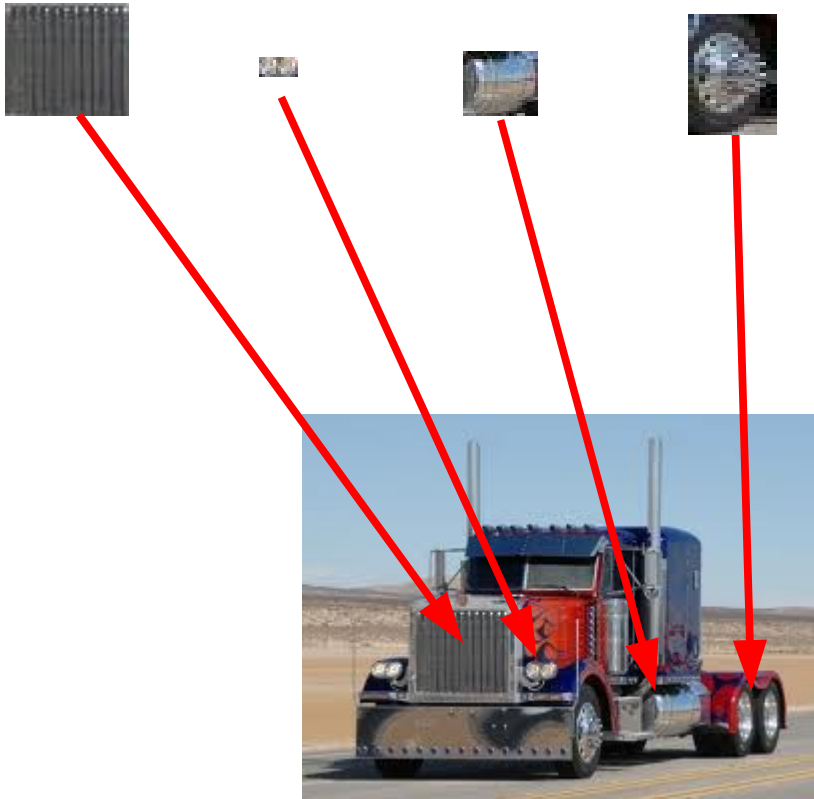
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Composition: distributed representations

[0 0 **1** 0 0 0 0 **1** 0 0 **1** **1** 0 0 **1** 0 ...] truck feature

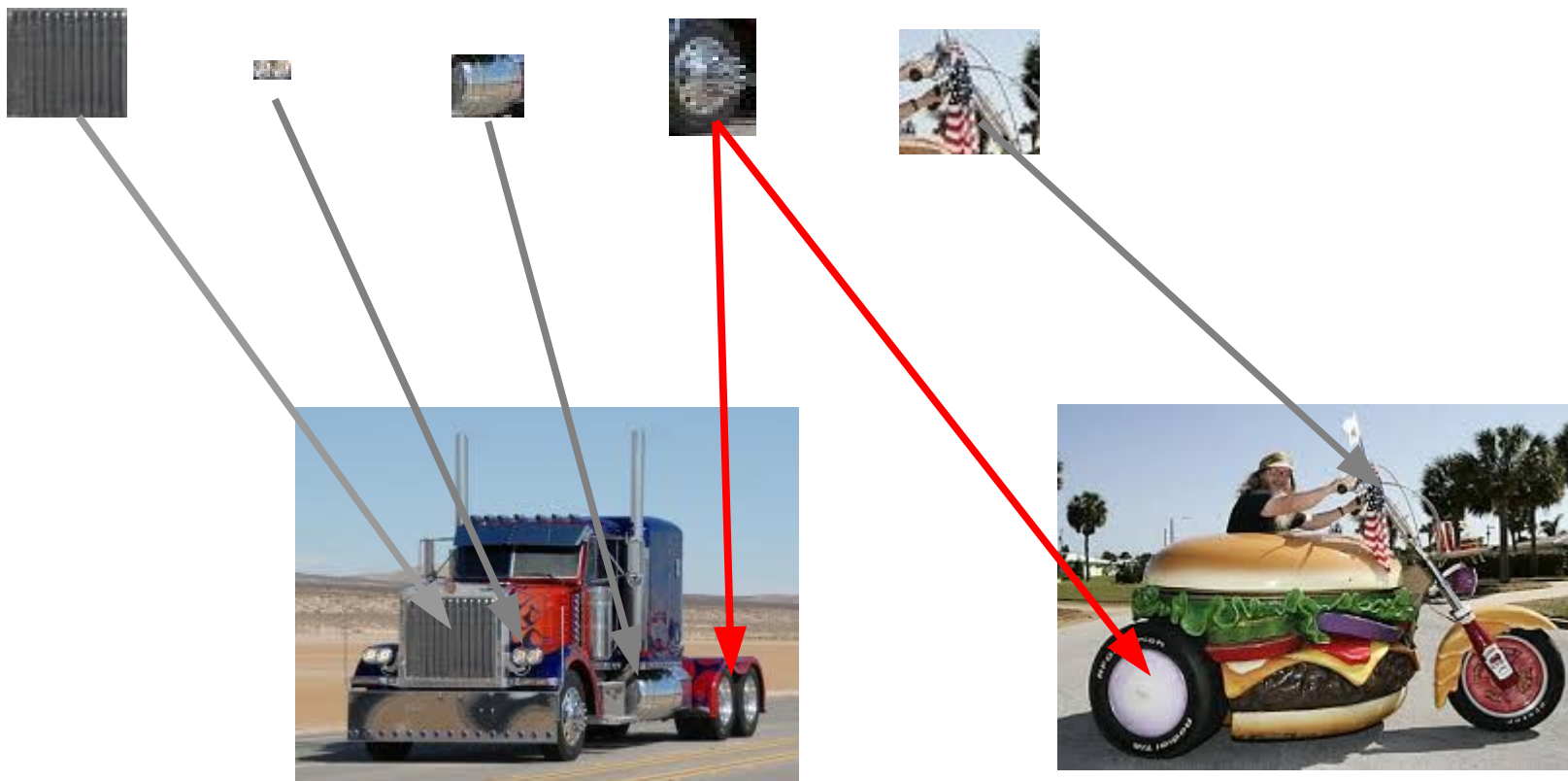


Exponentially more efficient than a 1-of-N representation (a la k-means)

Composition: sharing

[1 1 0 0 0 1 0 **1** 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1...] motorbike

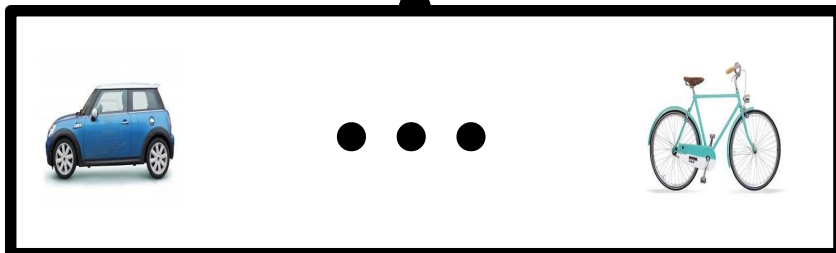
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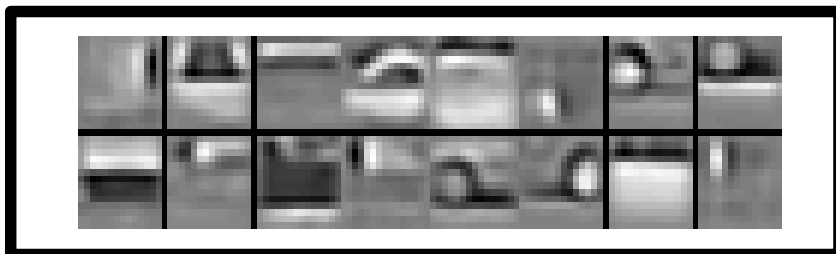
Composition

prediction of class

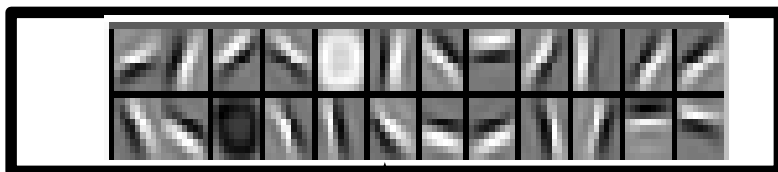
high-level parts



mid-level parts



low level parts



- distributed representations
- feature sharing
- compositionality

Input image



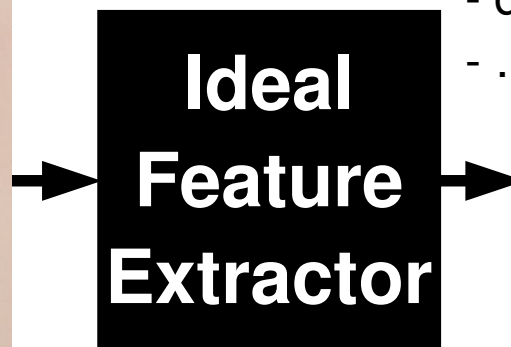
**GOOD: (exponentially)
more efficient**

Deep Learning

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Representation Learning

Ideal Features

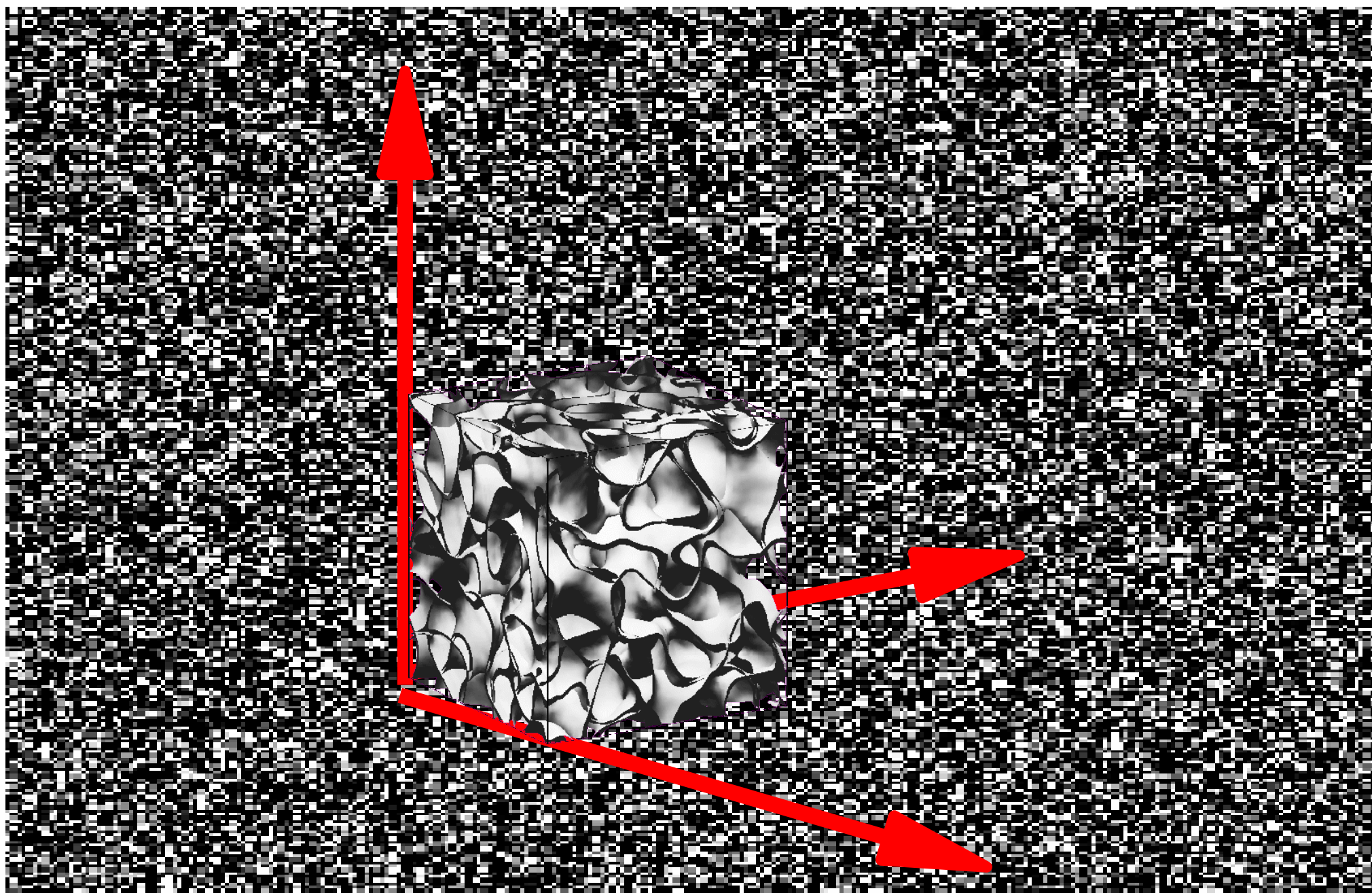


- window, right
- chair, left
- monitor, top of shelf
- carpet, bottom
- drums, corner
- ...

- pillows on couch

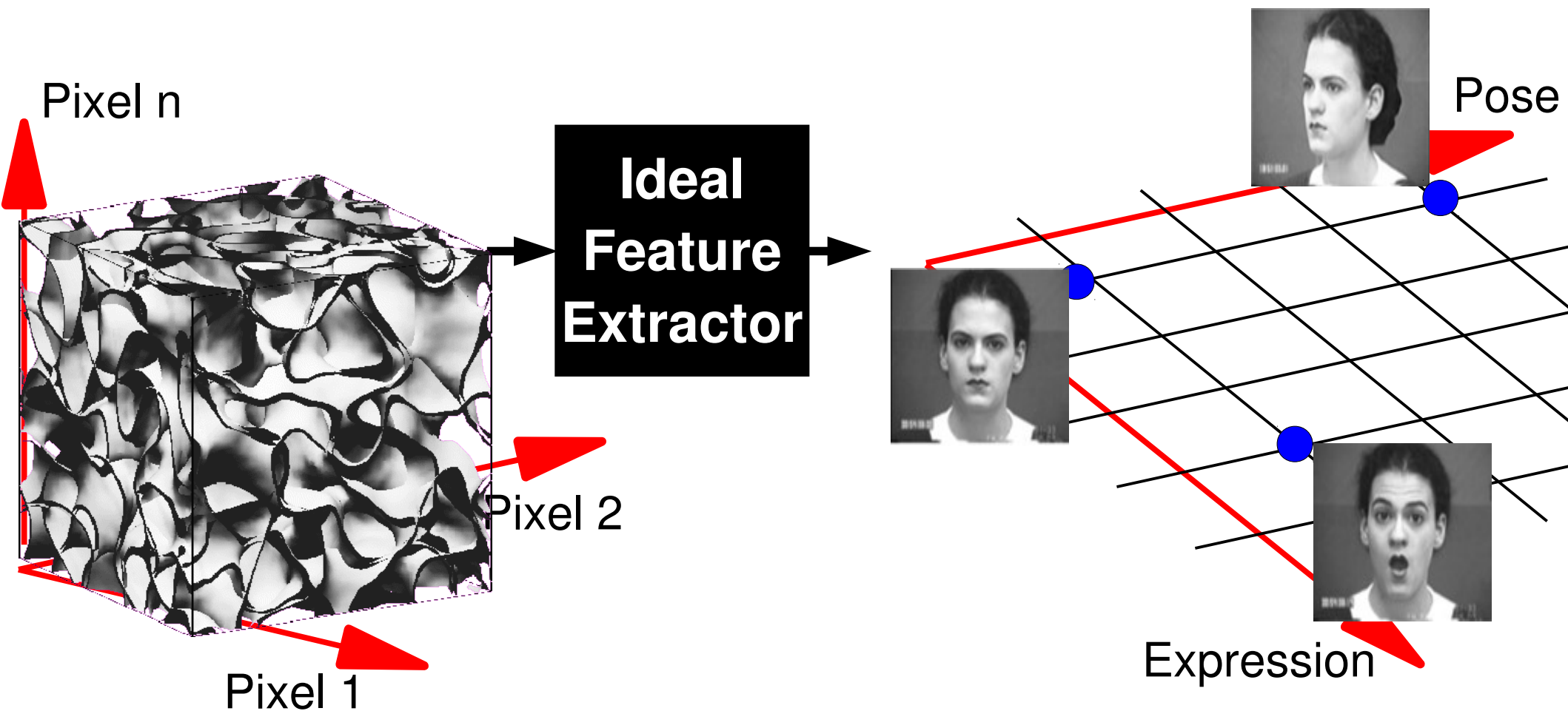
Q.: What objects are in the image? Where is the lamp?
What is on the couch? ...

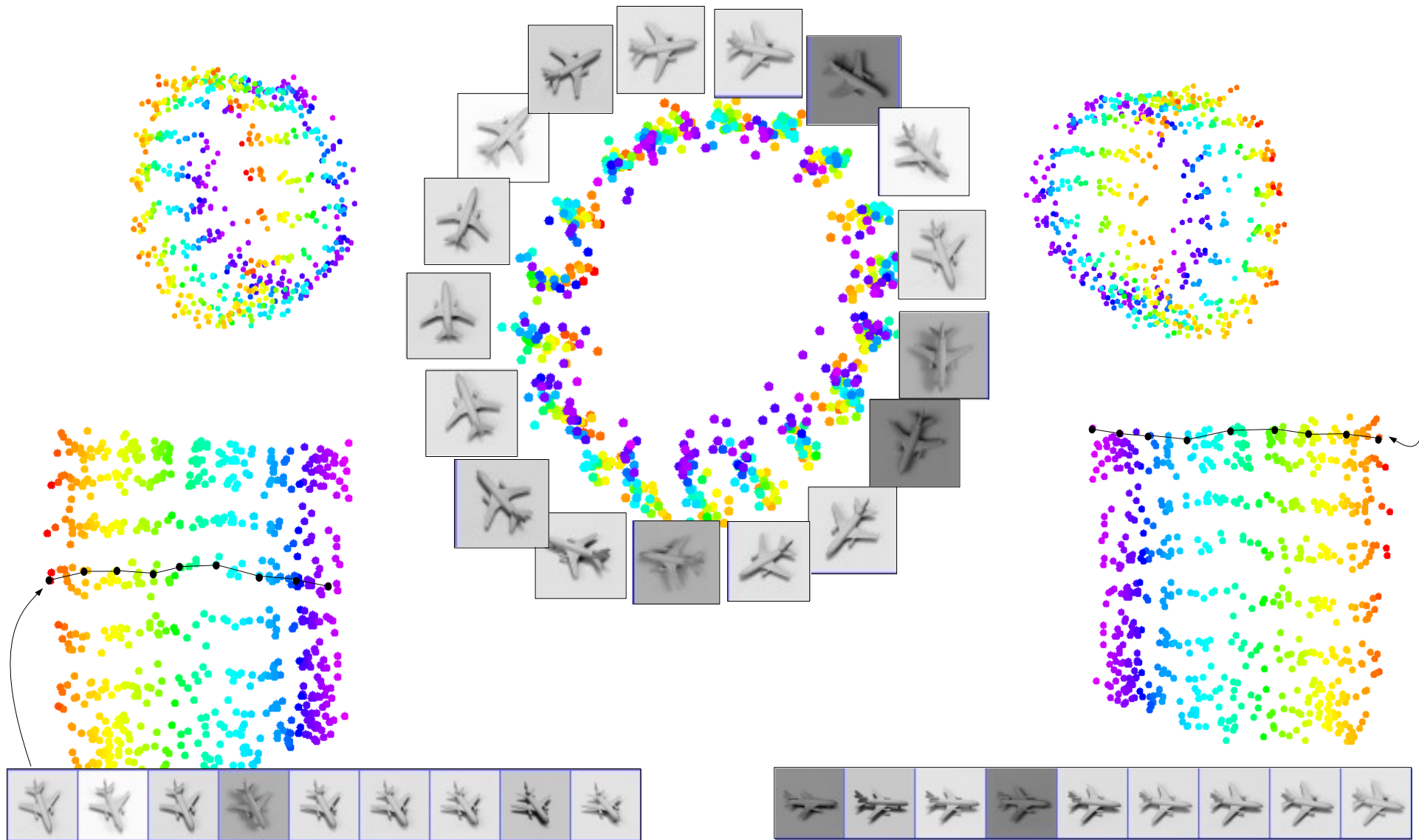
The Manifold of Natural Images



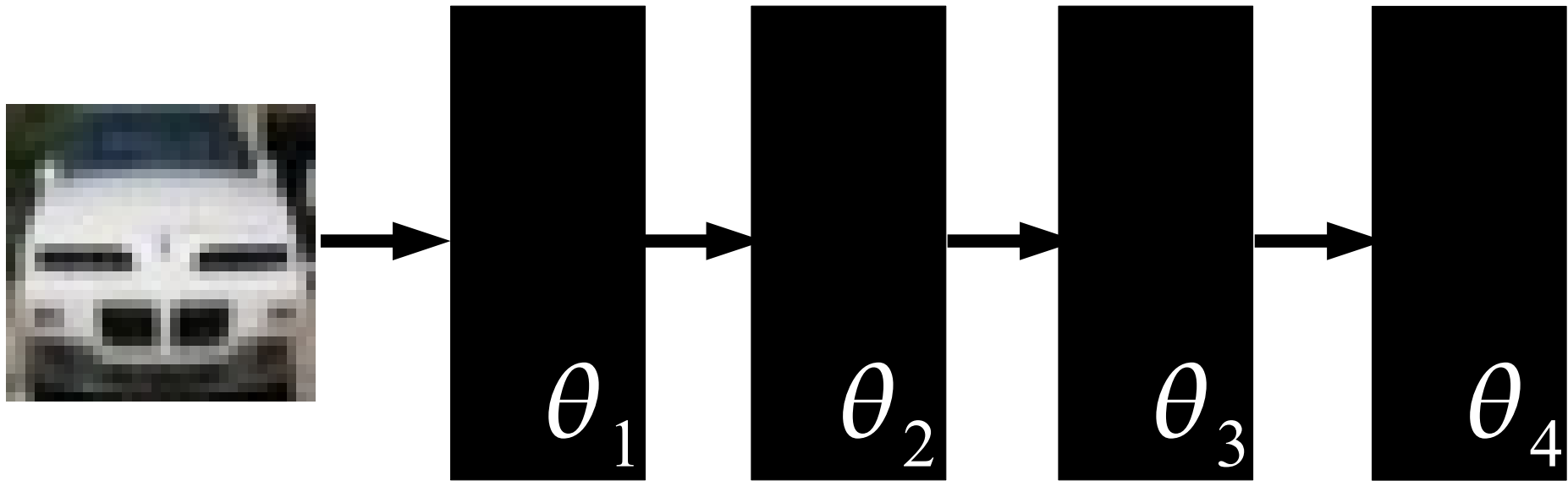
Ideal Feature Extraction

E.g.: face images live in about 60-D manifold (x,y,z, pitch, yaw, roll, 53 muscles).





Deep Learning



*Given lots of data, engineer less and learn more!!
Let the data find the structure (intrinsic dimensions).*

Deep Learning in Practice

It works very well in practice:

The image is a collage of various logos and search results. At the top center is a Google search bar with the text "my photos sunset" and the Google logo. Below the search bar are navigation tabs for "Web", "Images", "Maps", "Shopping", "More", and "Search tools". The search results show "70 personal results. 137,000,000 other results." and a grid of sunset photos. A large blue "facebook" logo is overlaid on the sunset photos. To the left is a Baidu search interface with a grid of photos of women in white dresses. To the right is a dark blue Android logo with the word "ANDROID" in white. At the bottom are the Microsoft logo, the IBM logo, and the Ranzato logo with a Facebook icon. The word "amazon.com" is written in a white box with a black border, tilted at an angle. The word "NEC" is written in a white box with a black border, tilted at an angle.

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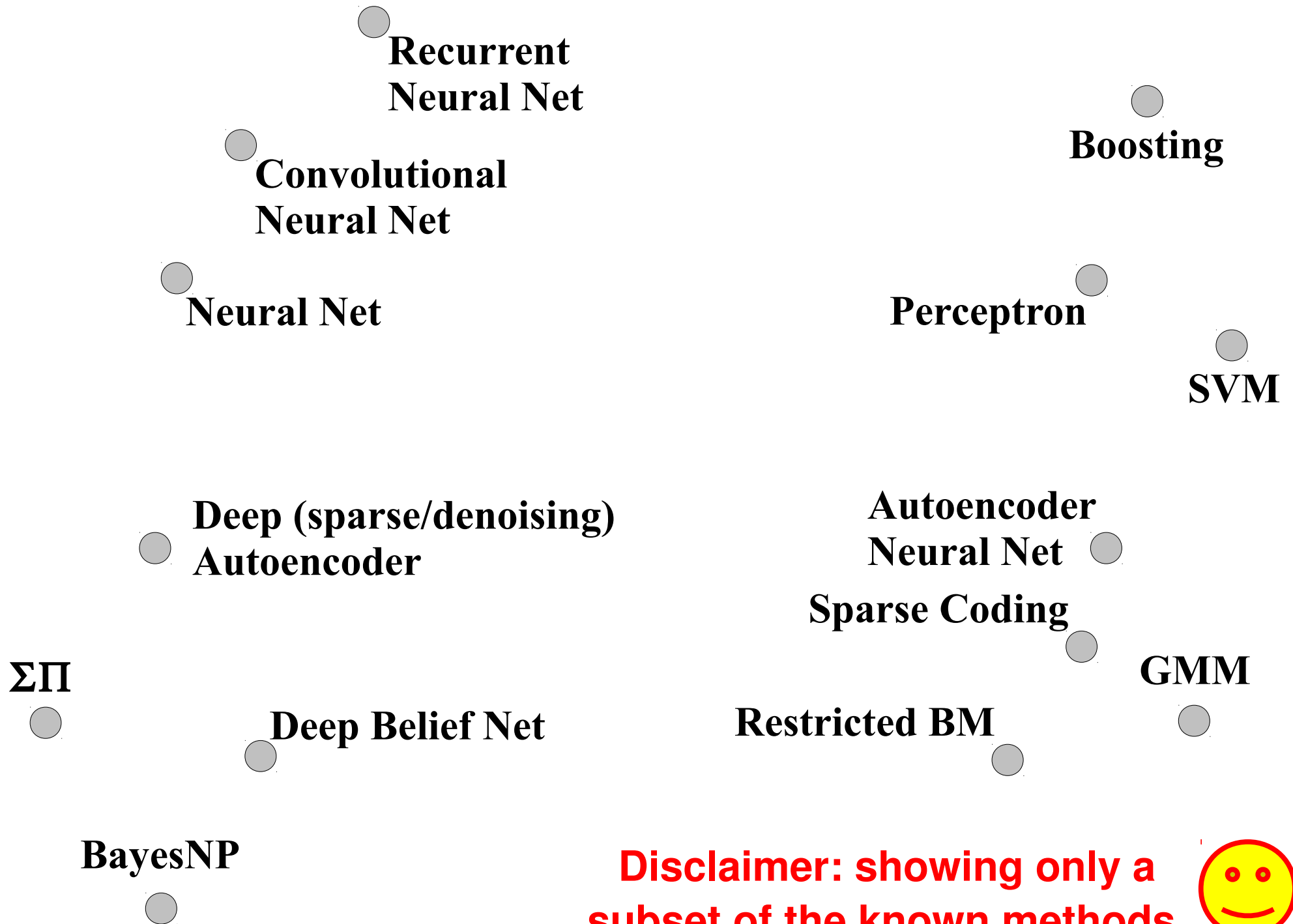
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KEY IDEAS OF DEEP LEARNING

- Hierarchical non-linear system
 - Distributed representations
 - Sharing
- End-to-end learning
 - Joint optimization of features and classifier
 - Good features are learned as a side product of the learning process

THE SPACE OF MACHINE LEARNING METHODS



Disclaimer: showing only a subset of the known methods



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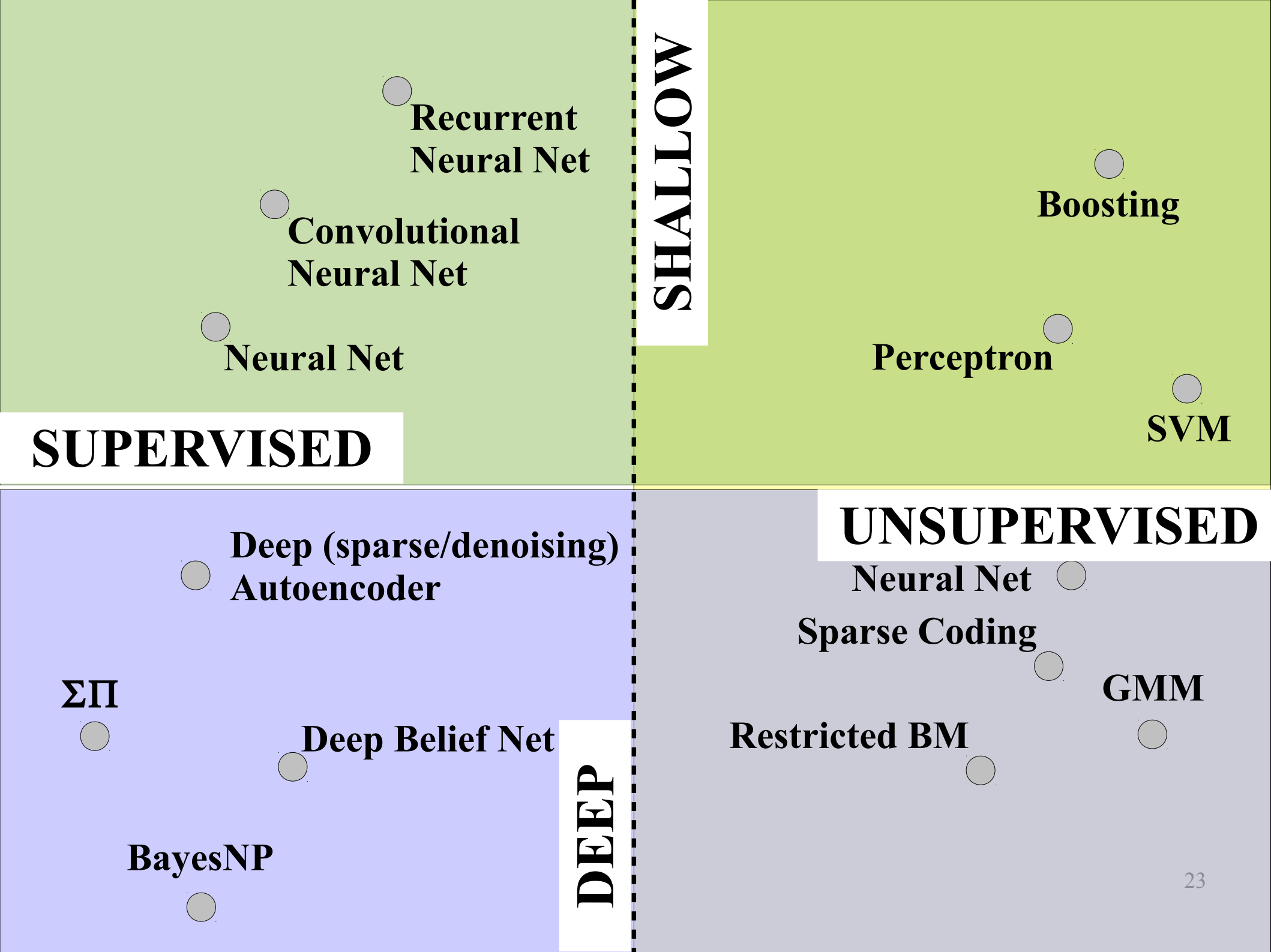
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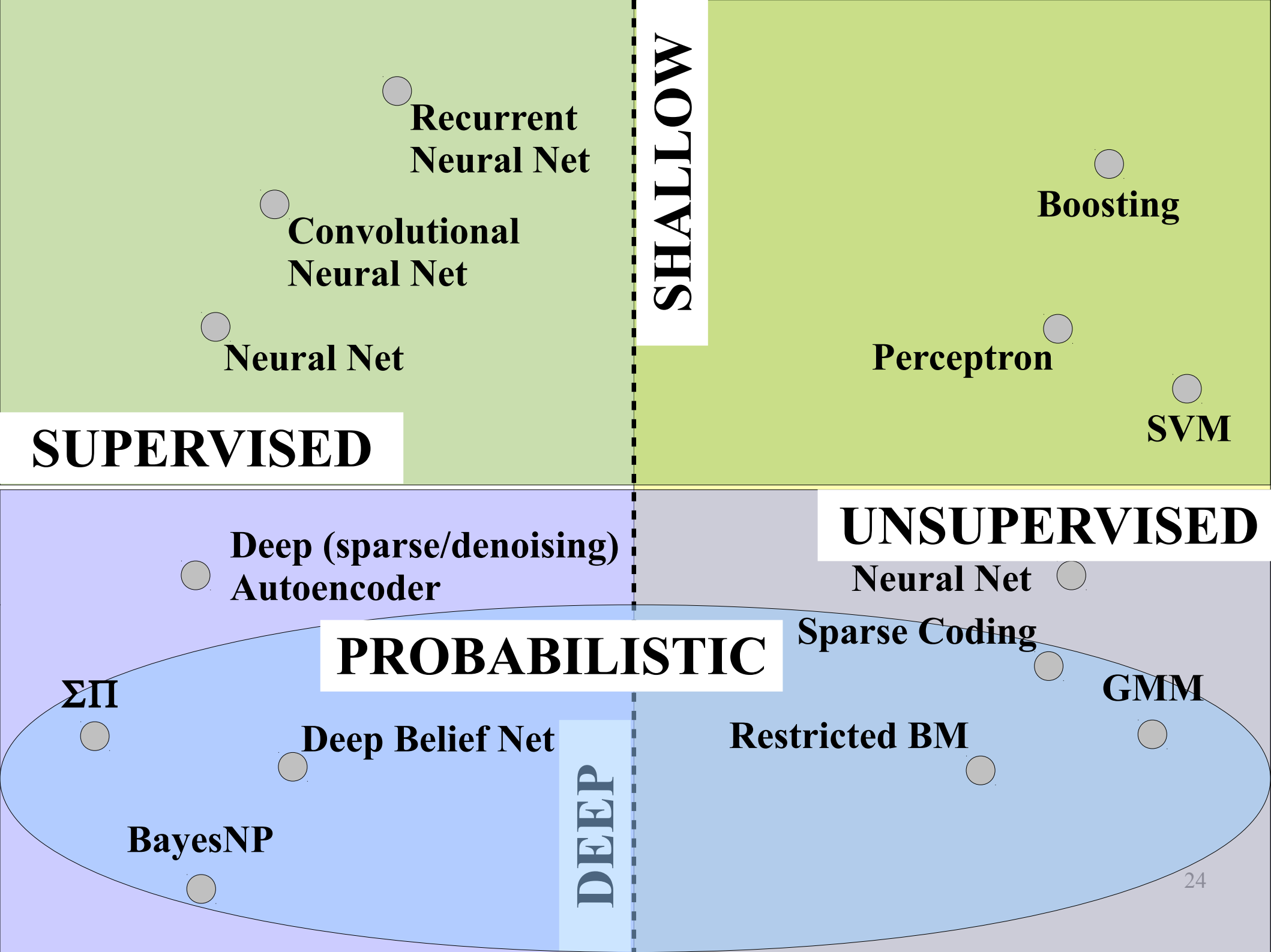
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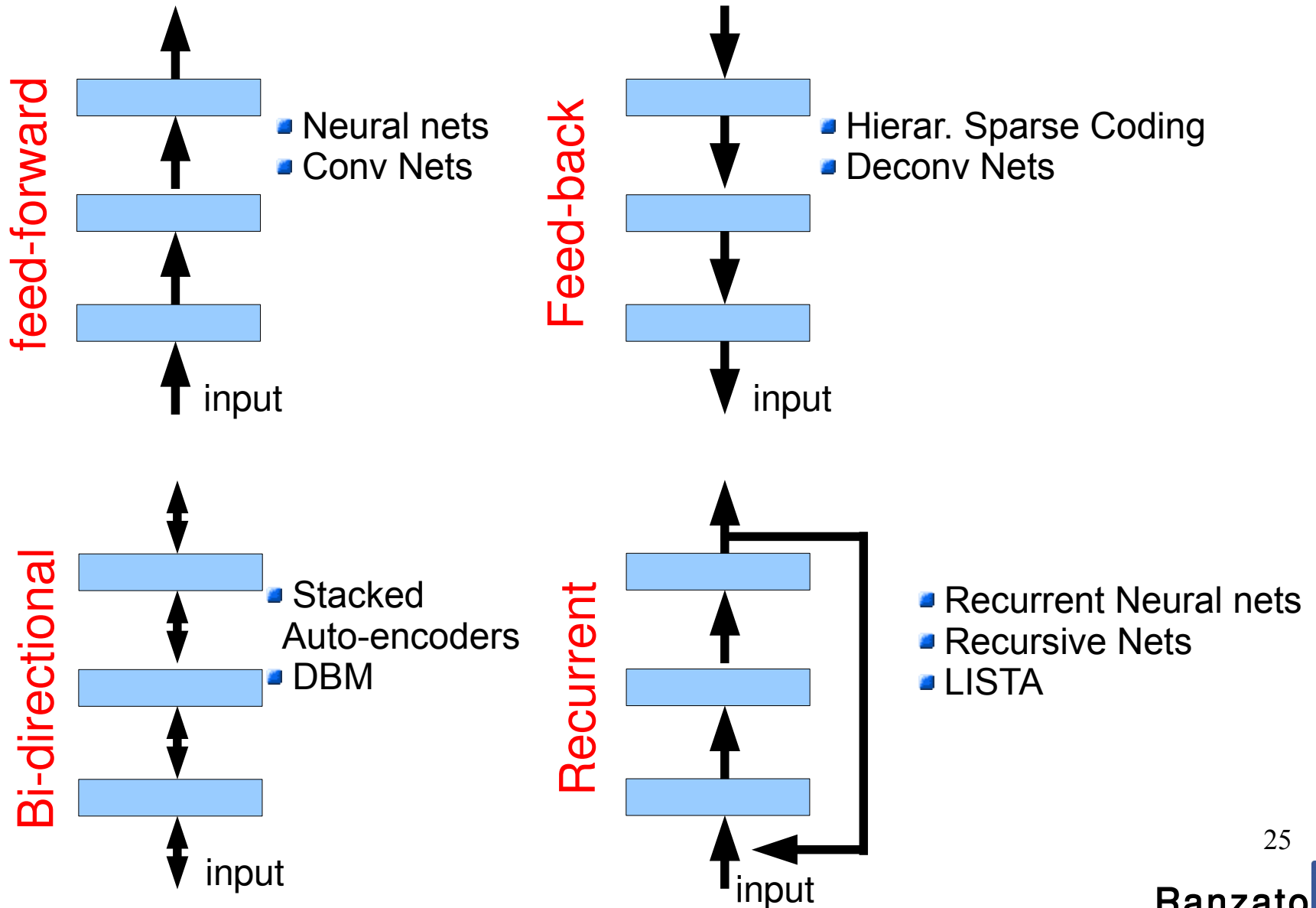
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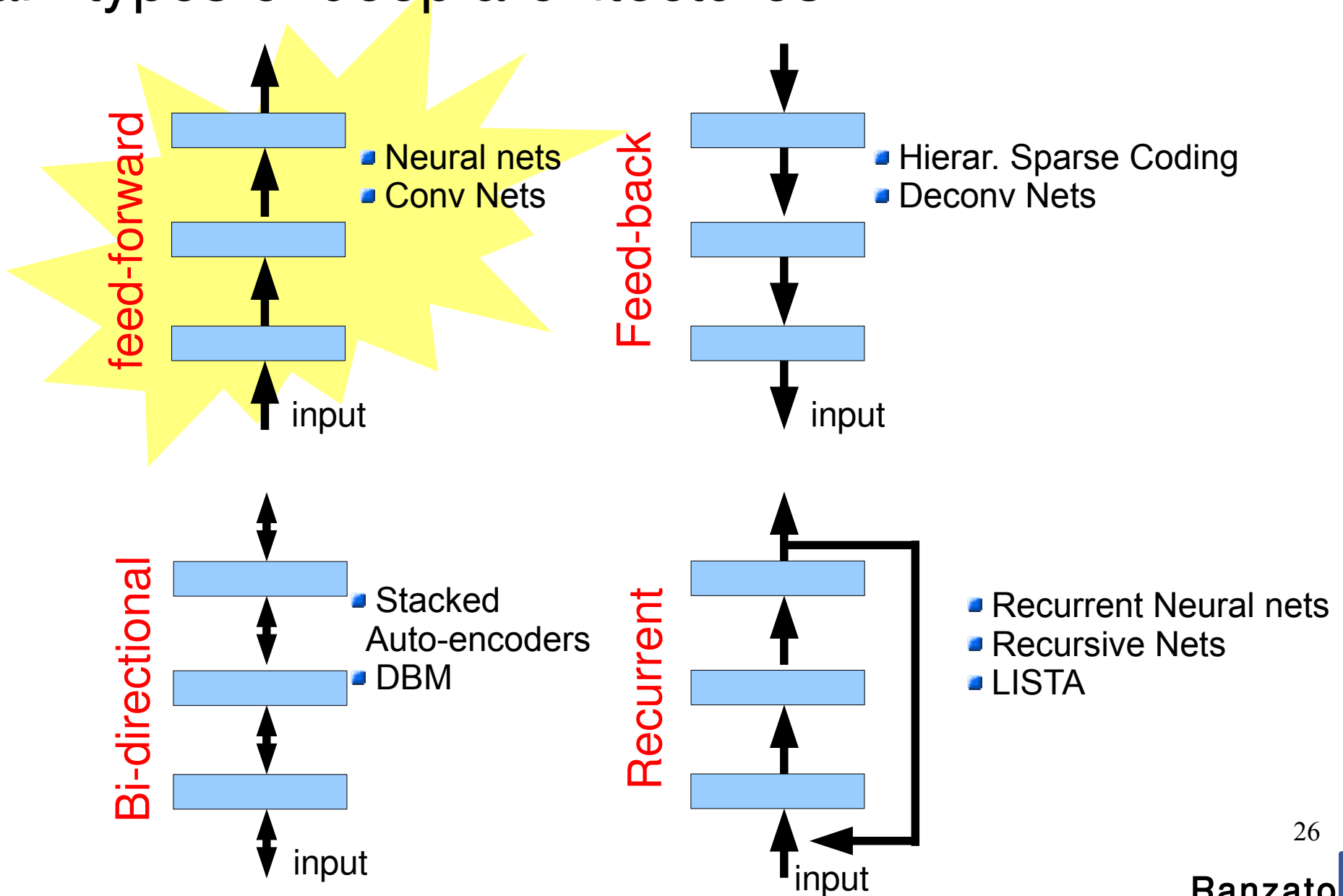
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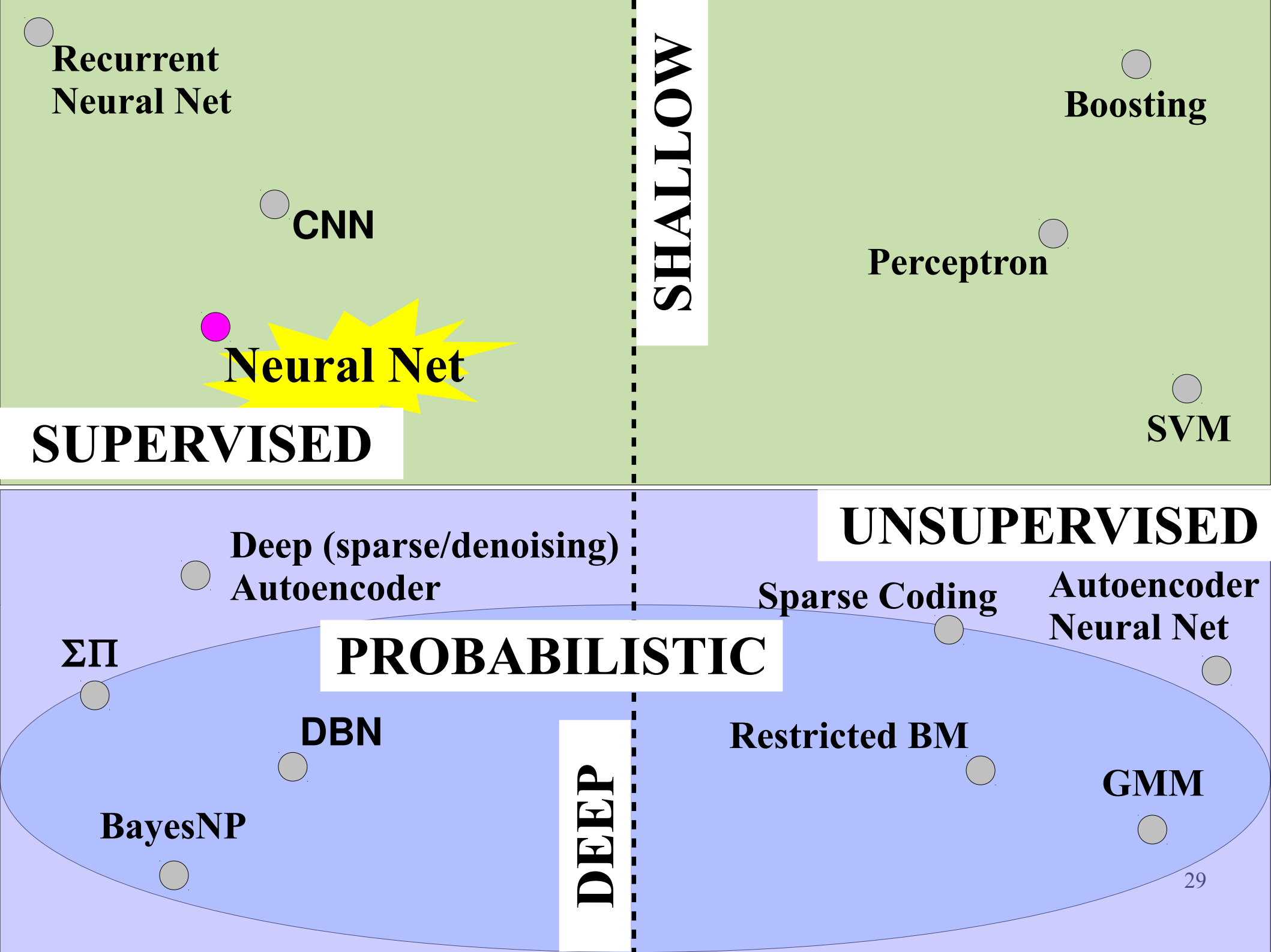


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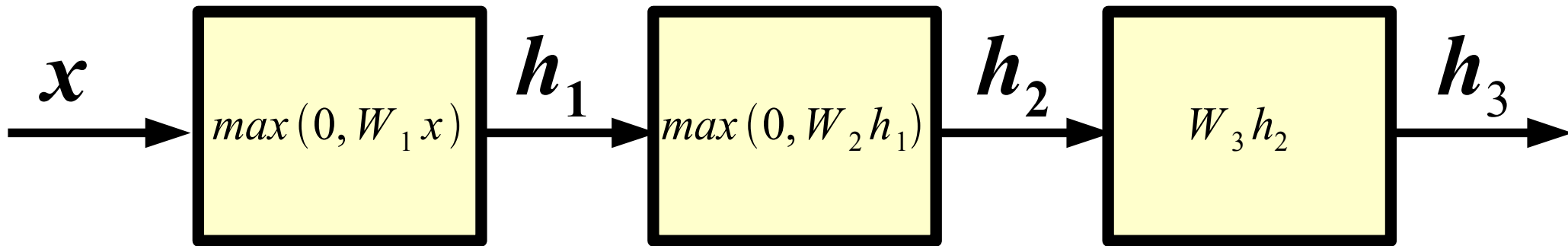
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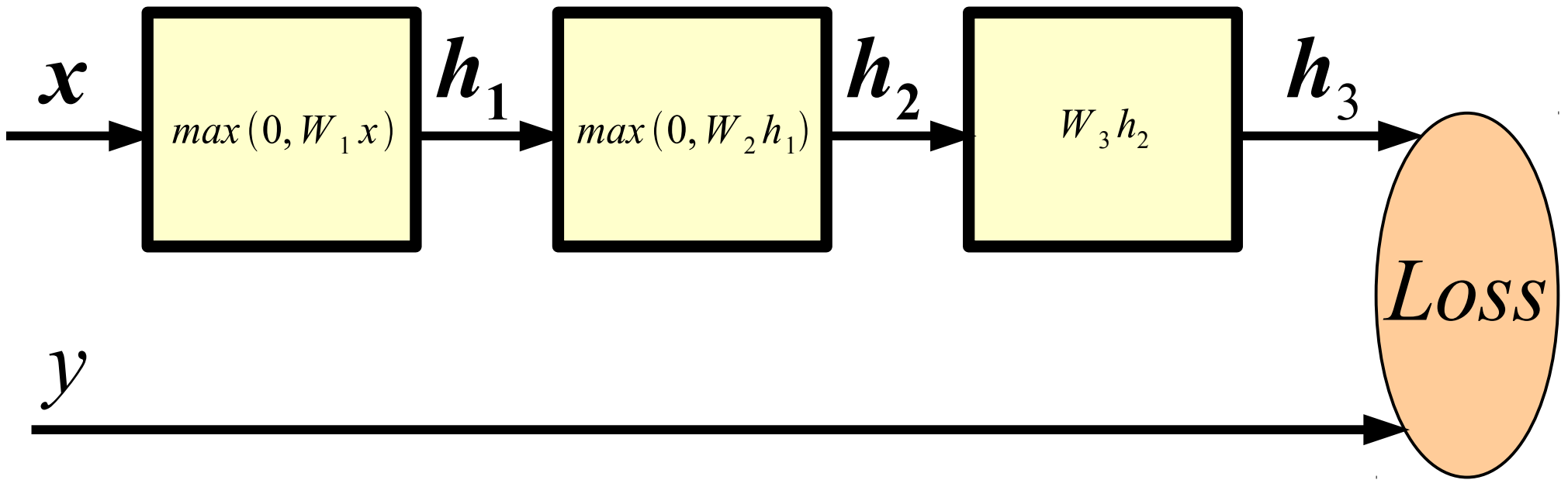
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Neural Nets



NOTE: In practice, any (a.e. differentiable) non-linear transformation can be used.

Computing Loss (example)



$$p(c_k = 1 | x) = \frac{e^{h_{3k}}}{\sum_j e^{h_{3j}}}$$

Softmax: probability of class k given input.

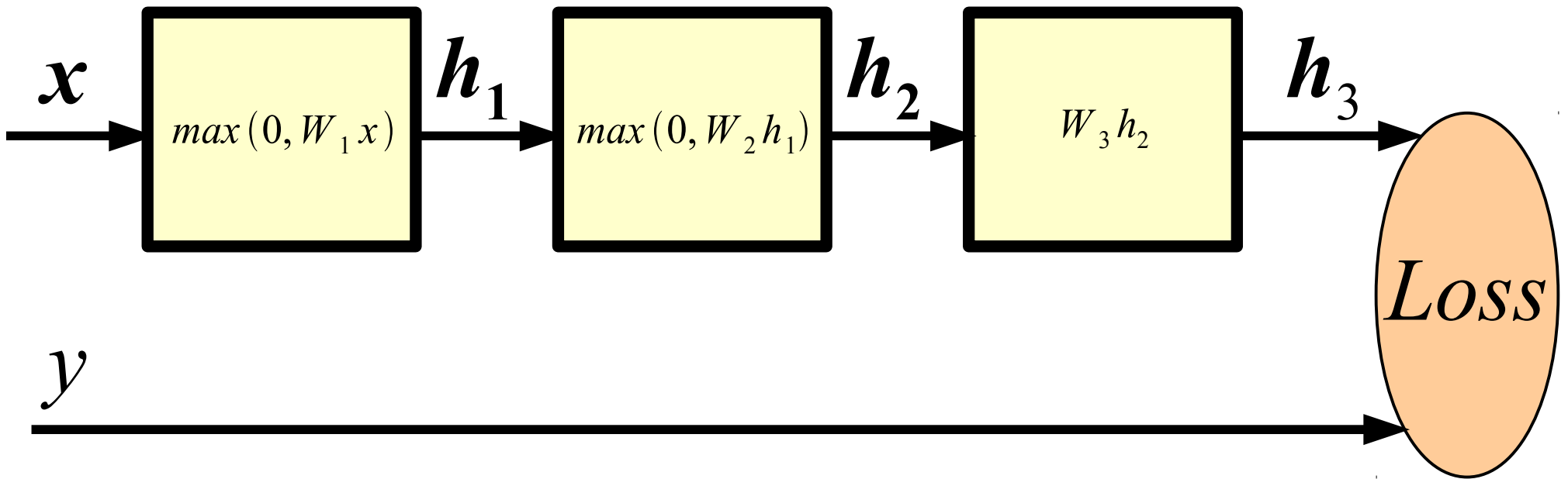
$$L(x, y; \theta) = -\sum_j y_j \log p(c_j | x)$$

(Per-sample) Loss:
negative log-likelihood.

$$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \sum_p L(x^p, y^p; \theta)$$

Learning: min loss
(add some regularization).

Loss



Q.: how to tune the parameters to decrease the loss?

If loss is (a.e.) differentiable we can compute gradients.

We can use chain-rule, a.k.a. **back-propagation**, to compute the gradients w.r.t. parameters at the lower layers.

Computing derivative w.r.t. input softmax

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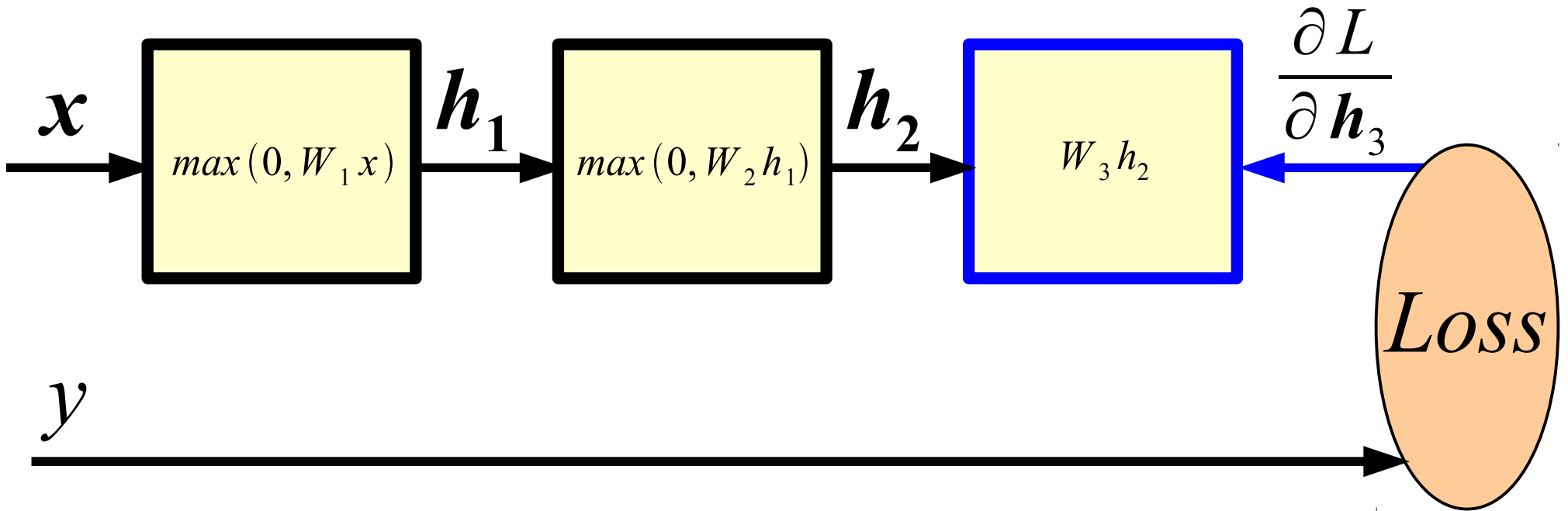
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By substituting the first formula in the second, and taking the derivative w.r.t. h_3 we get:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial h_3} = p(c|x) - y$$

HOMEWORK: prove this equality!

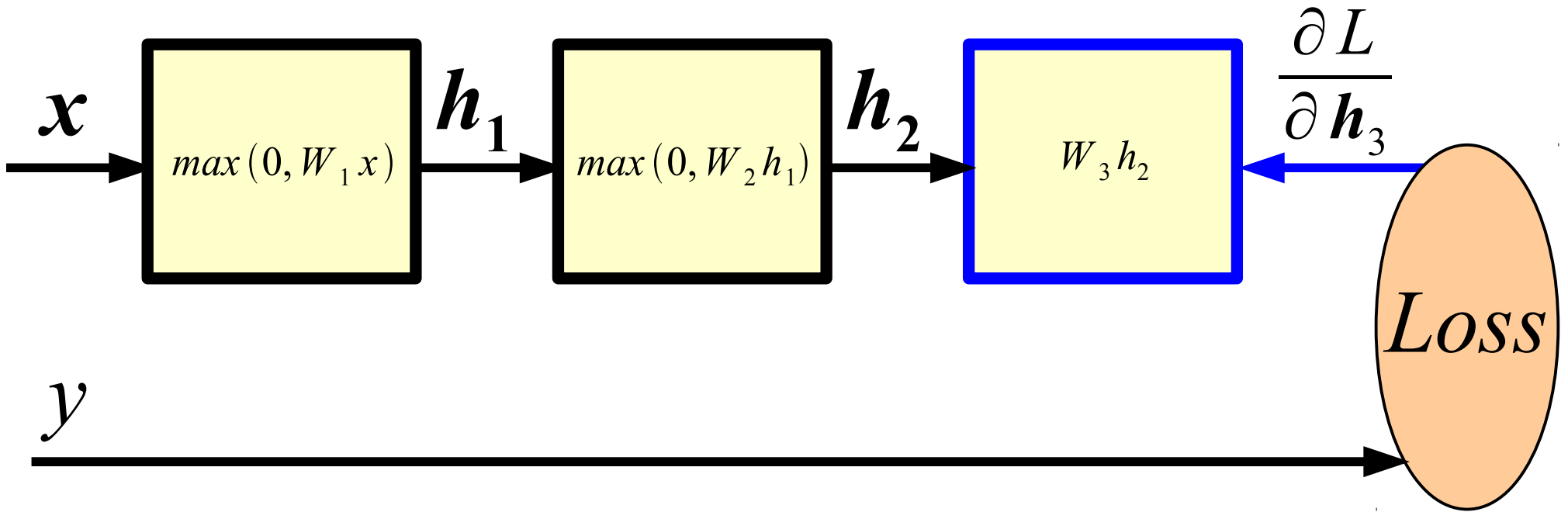
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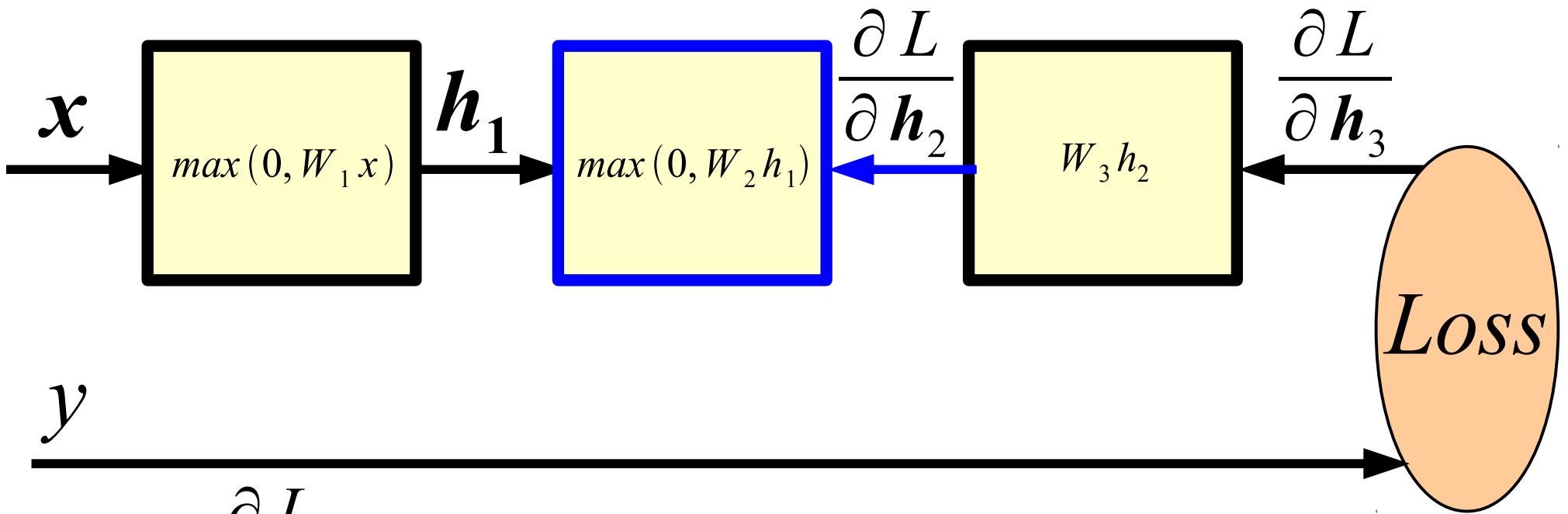
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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W_3} = (p(c|\mathbf{x}) - y) \mathbf{h}_2^T \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_2} = W_3^T (p(c|\mathbf{x}) - y)$$

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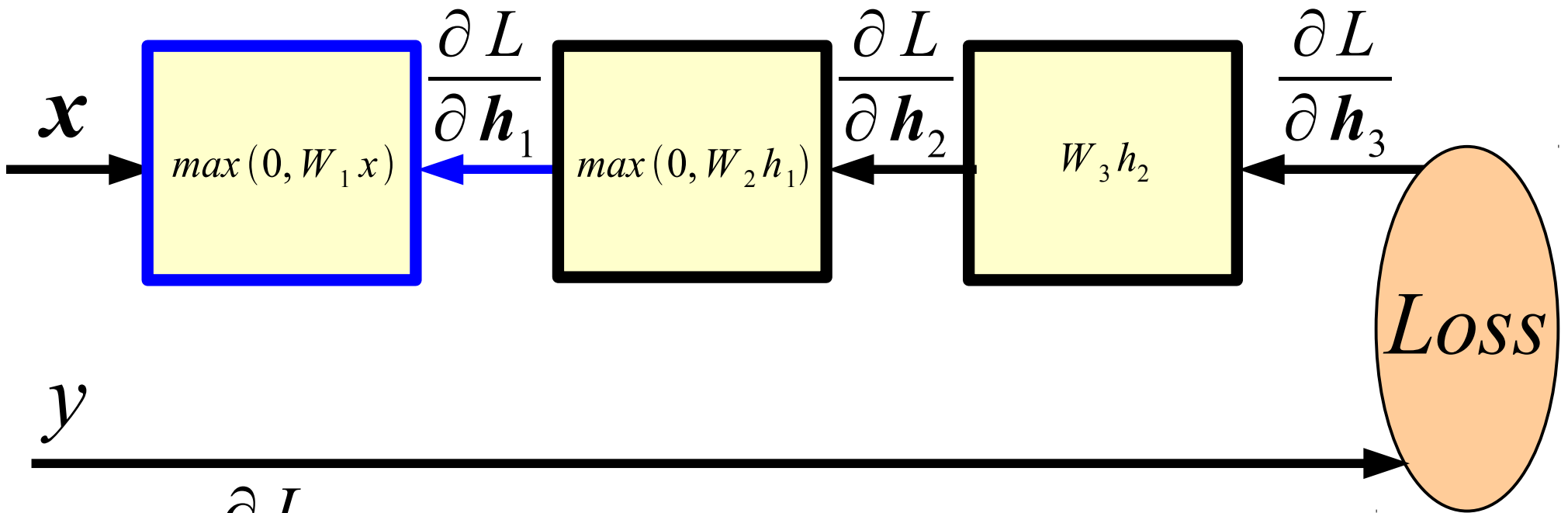


Given $\frac{\partial L}{\partial h_2}$ we can compute now:

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HOMEWORK: compute derivatives.

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Optimization

Stochastic Gradient Descent (on mini-batches):

$$\theta \leftarrow \theta - \eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta}, \eta \in R$$

Stochastic Gradient Descent with Momentum:

$$\theta \leftarrow \theta - \eta \Delta$$

$$\Delta \leftarrow 0.9 \Delta + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta}$$

Note: there are many other variants...

Toy Code (Matlab): Neural Net Trainer

```
% F-PROP
```

```
for i = 1 : nr_layers - 1
    [h{i} jac{i}] = nonlinearity(W{i} * h{i-1} + b{i});
end
h{nr_layers-1} = W{nr_layers-1} * h{nr_layers-2} + b{nr_layers-1};
prediction = softmax(h{l-1});
```

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% CROSS ENTROPY LOSS
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```
loss = - sum(sum(log(prediction) .* target)) / batch_size;
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% B-PROP
```

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dh{l-1} = prediction - target;
for i = nr_layers - 1 : -1 : 1
    Wgrad{i} = dh{i} * h{i-1}';
    bgrad{i} = sum(dh{i}, 2);
    dh{i-1} = (W{i}' * dh{i}) .* jac{i-1};
end
```

```
% UPDATE
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for i = 1 : nr_layers - 1
    W{i} = W{i} - (lr / batch_size) * Wgrad{i};
    b{i} = b{i} - (lr / batch_size) * bgrad{i};
end
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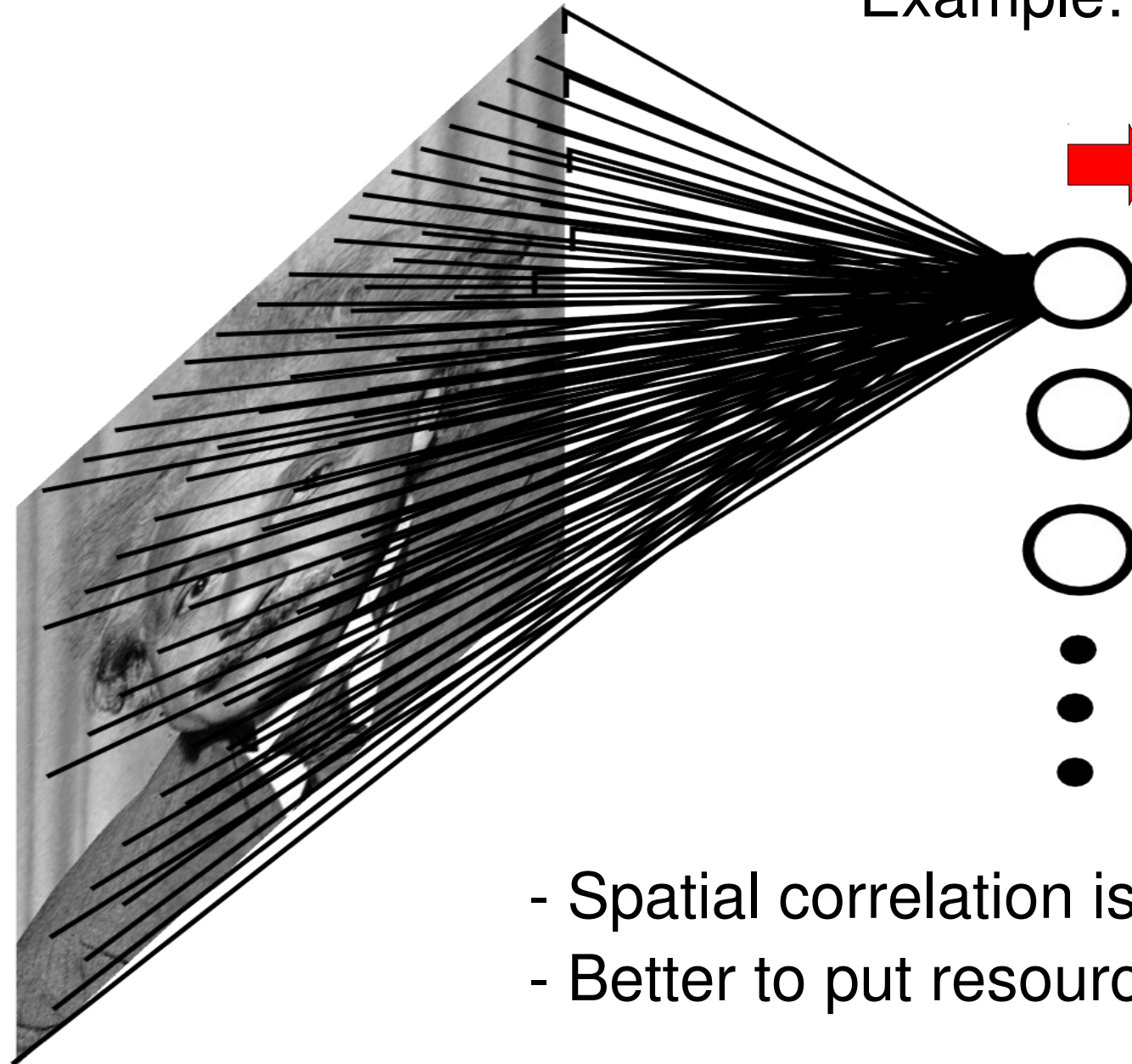
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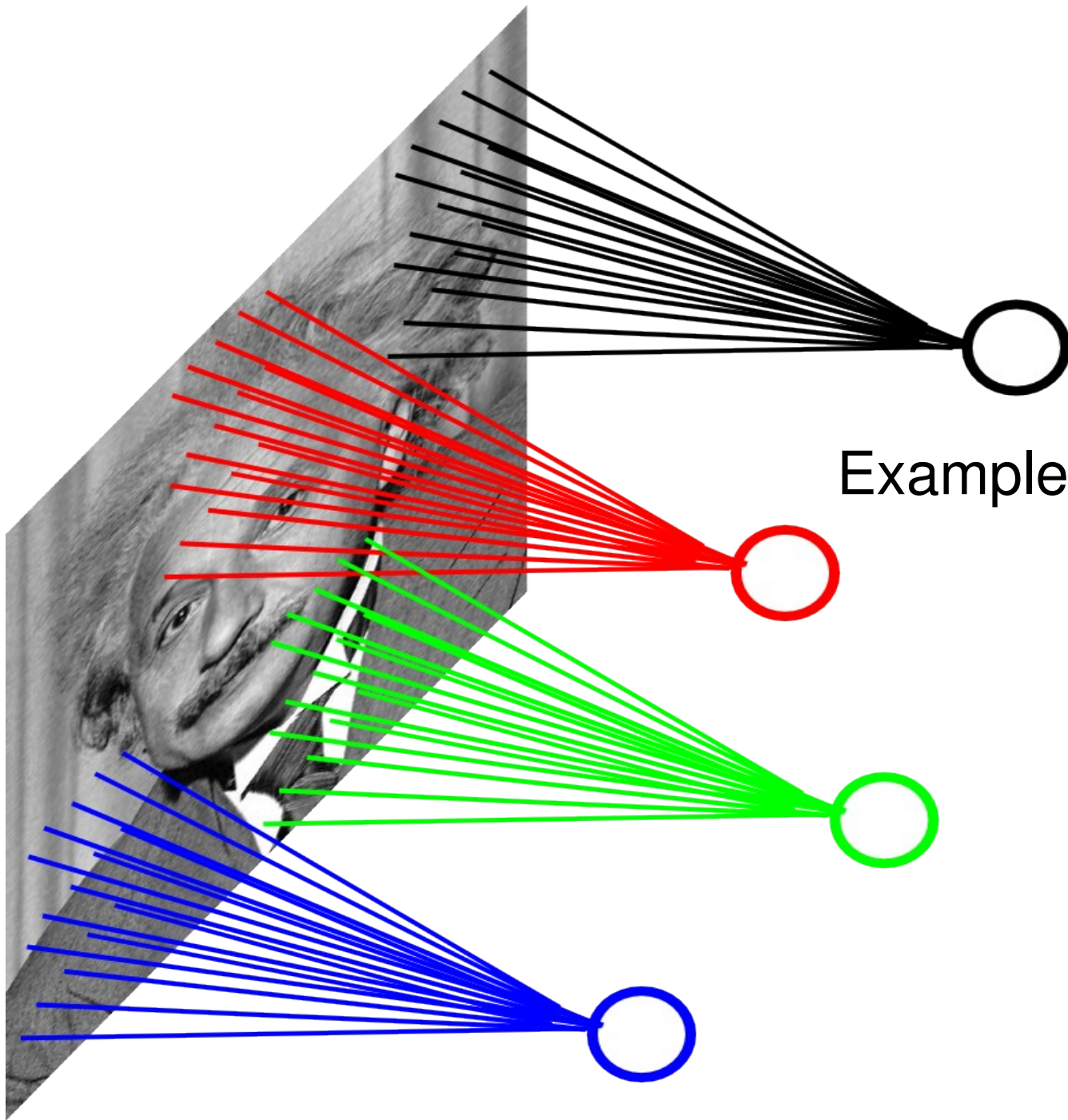
FULLY CONNECTED NEURAL NET

Example: 200x200 image
40K hidden units
→ **~2B parameters!!!**



- Spatial correlation is local
- Better to put resources elsewhere!

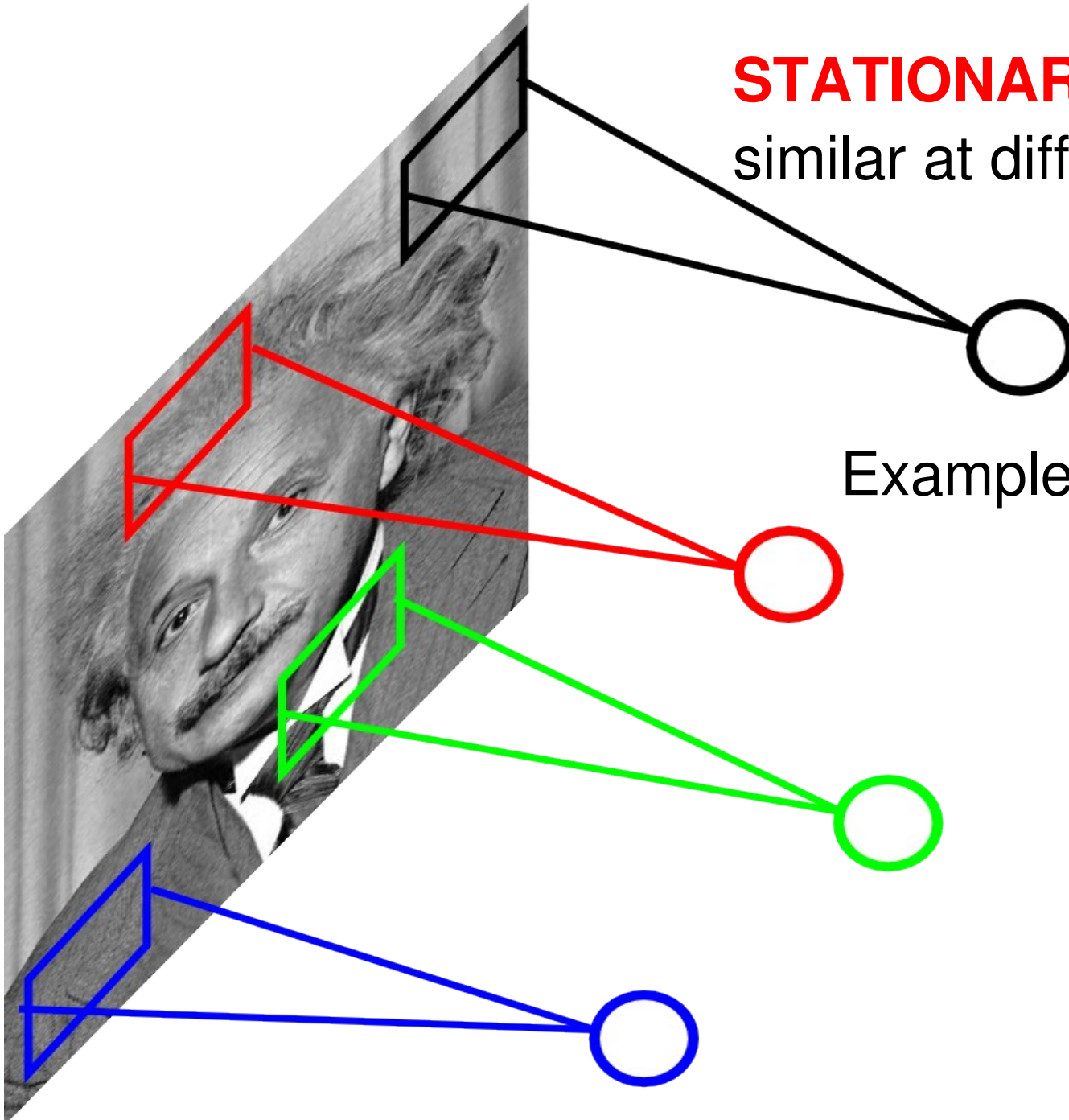
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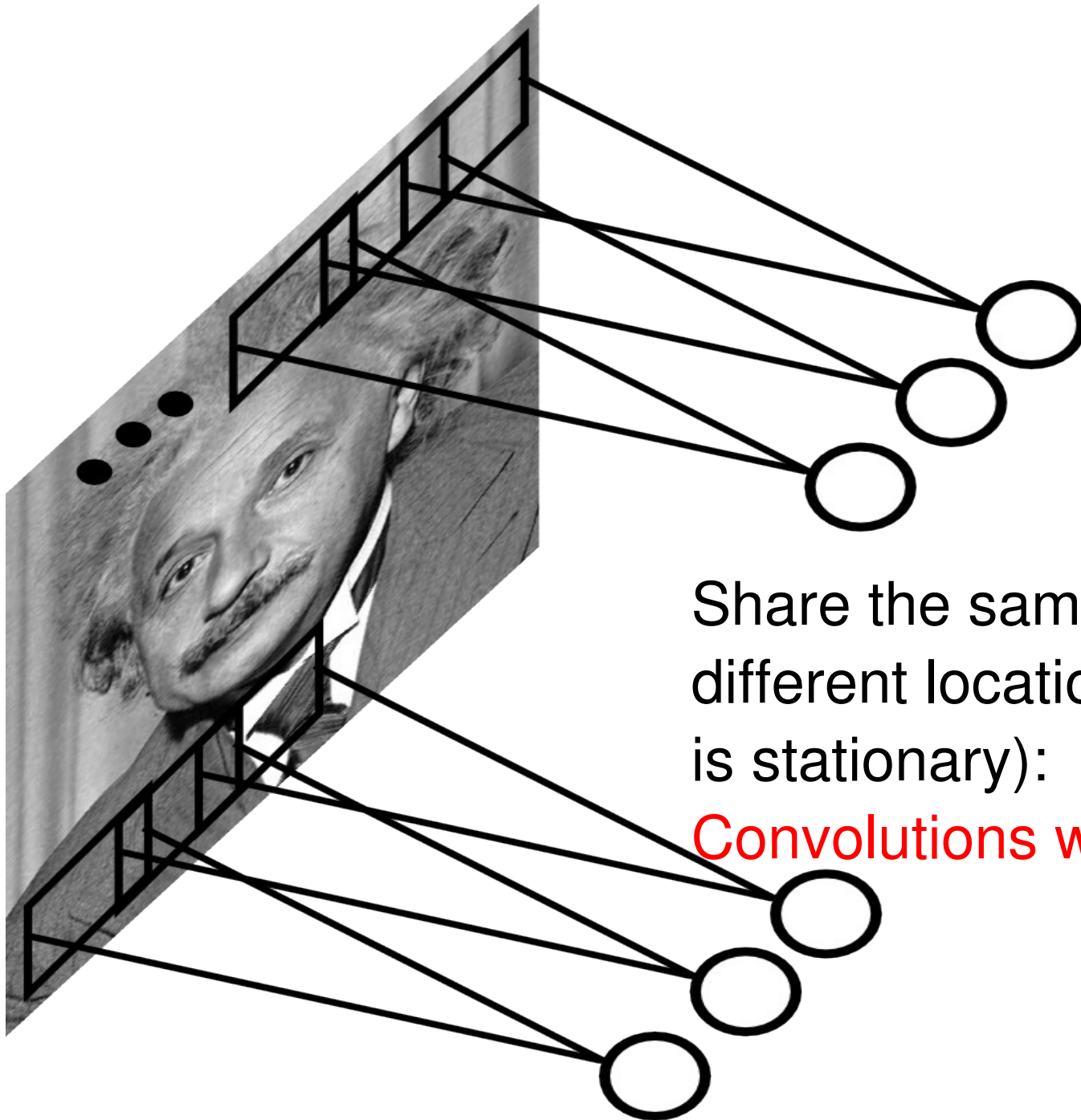
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STATIONARITY? Statistics are similar at different locations



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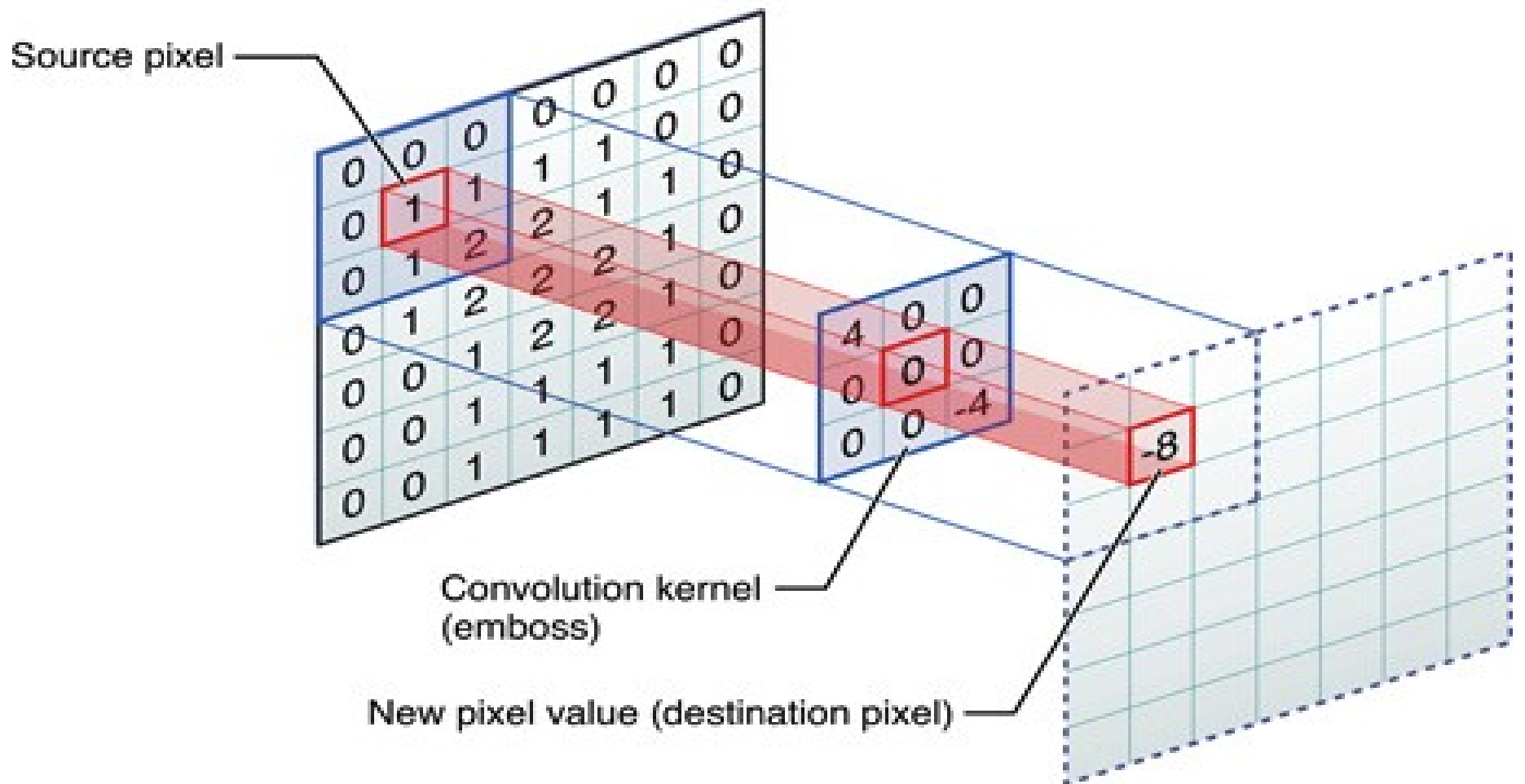
CONVOLUTIONAL NET



Share the same parameters across different locations (assuming input is stationary):

Convolutions with learned kernels

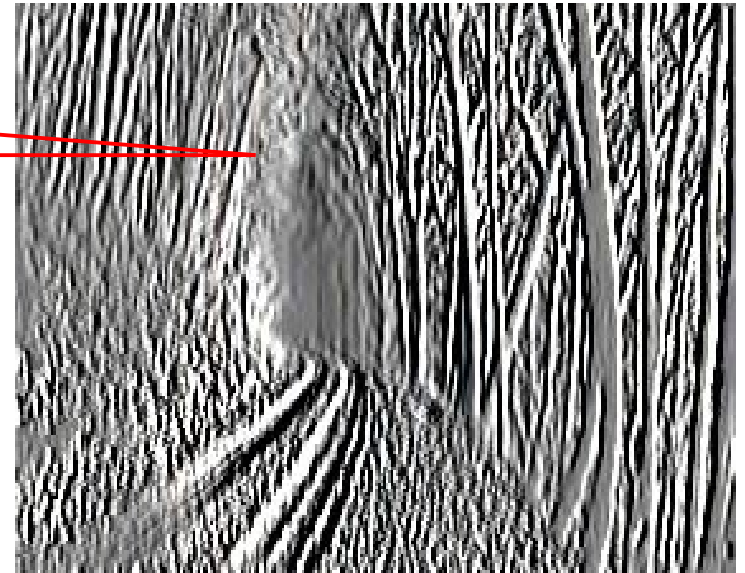
Convolutional Layer



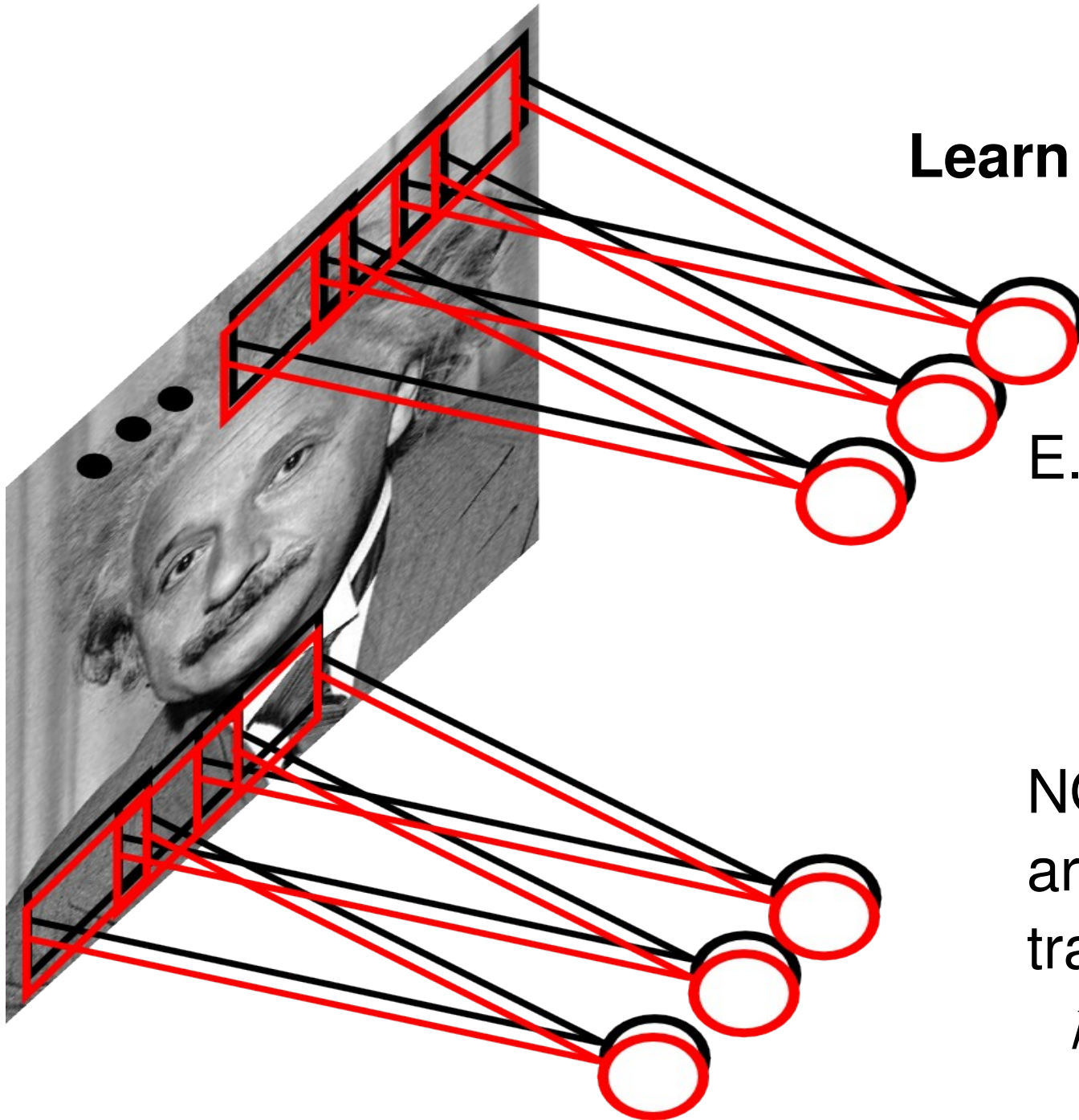
Convolutional Layer



$$\begin{matrix} * & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix} =$$



CONVOLUTIONAL NET



Learn **multiple filters**.

E.g.: 200x200 image
100 Filters
Filter size: 10x10
10K parameters

NOTE: filter responses
are non-linearly
transformed:

$$h = \max(0, x * w)$$

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KEY IDEAS

A standard neural net applied to images:

- scales quadratically with the size of the input
- does not leverage stationarity

Solution:

- connect each hidden unit to a small patch of the input
- share the weight across hidden units

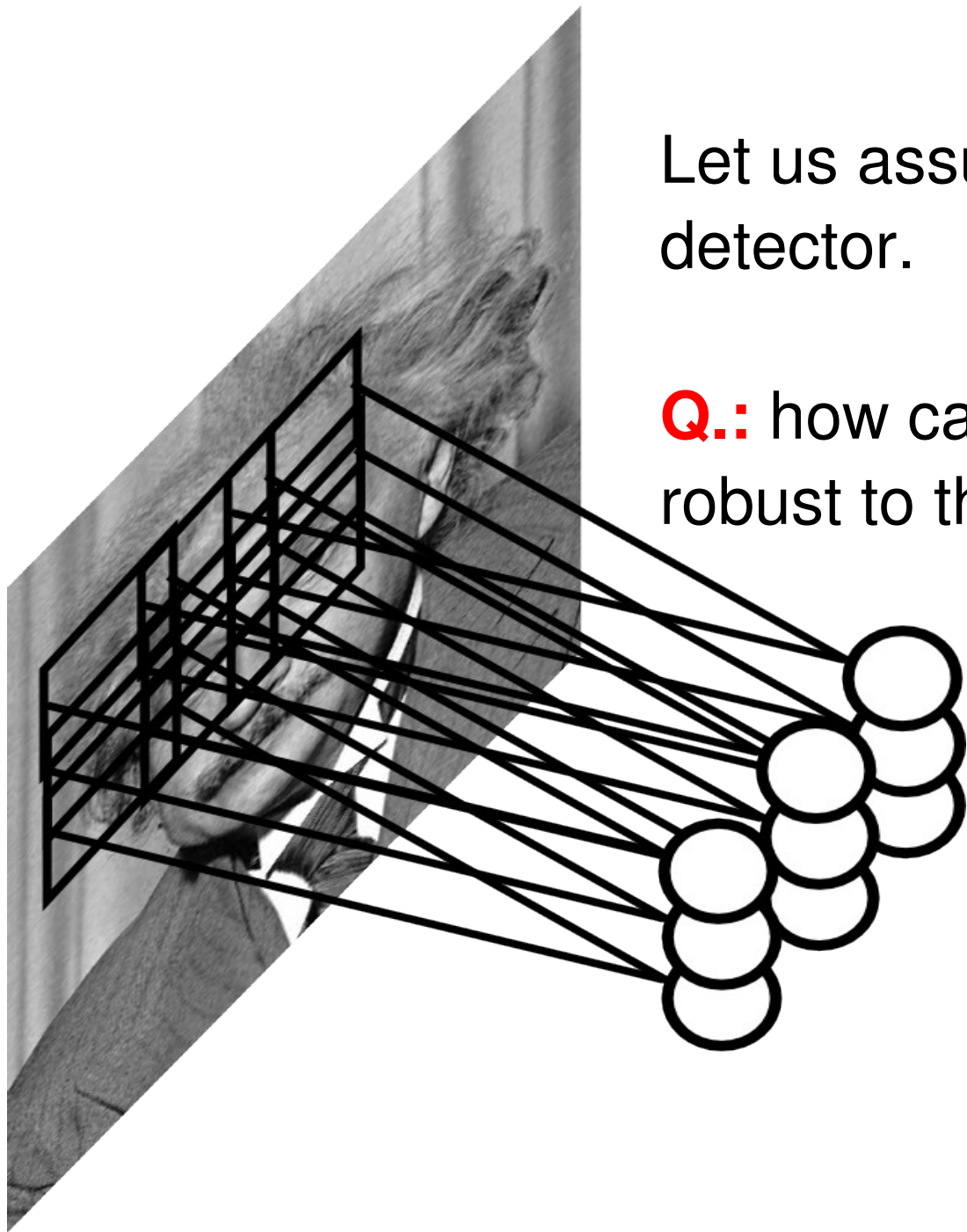
This is called: **convolutional layer.**

A network with convolutional layers is called **convolutional network.**

POOLING

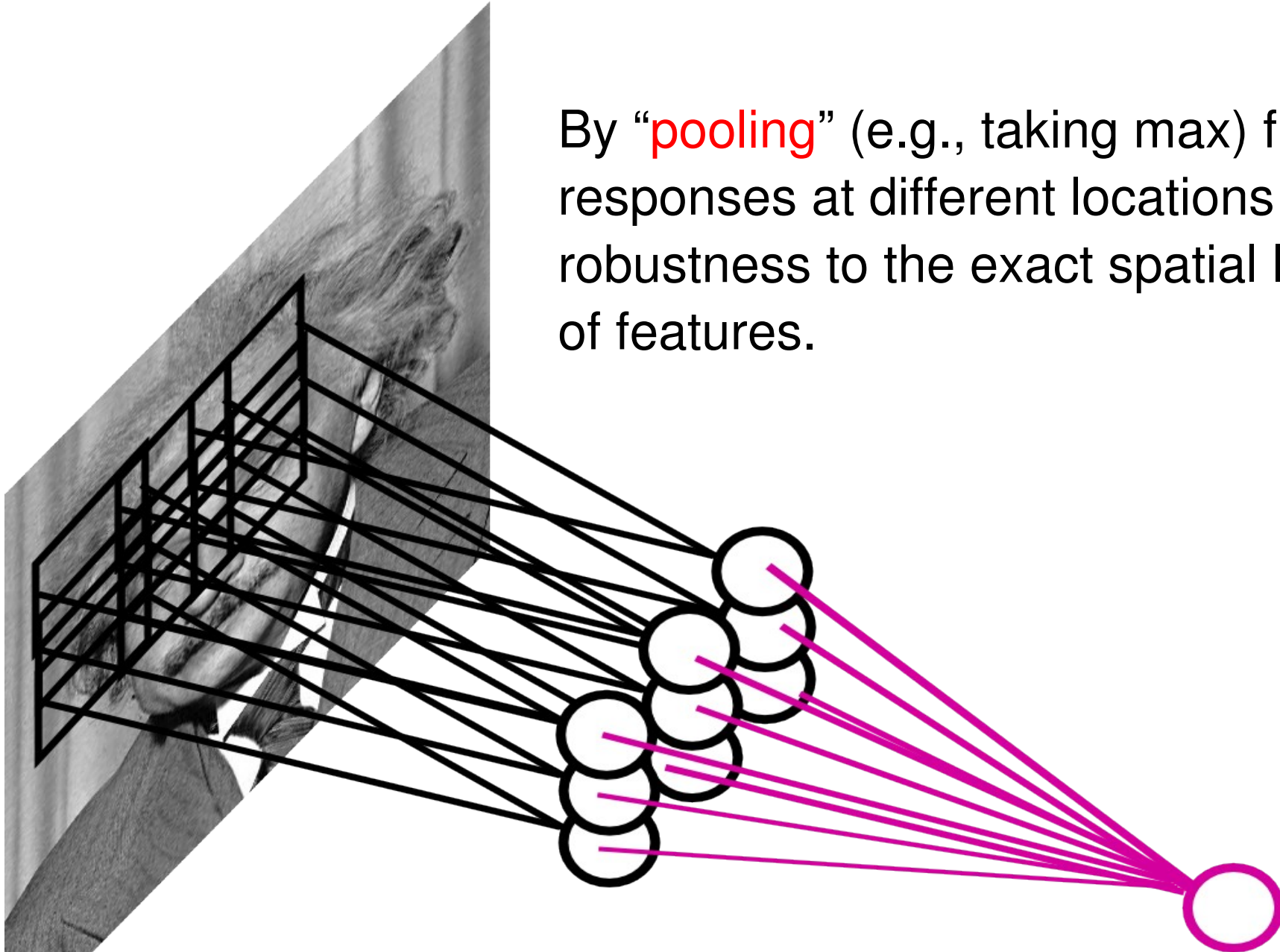
Let us assume filter is an “eye” detector.

Q.: how can we make the detection robust to the exact location of the eye?



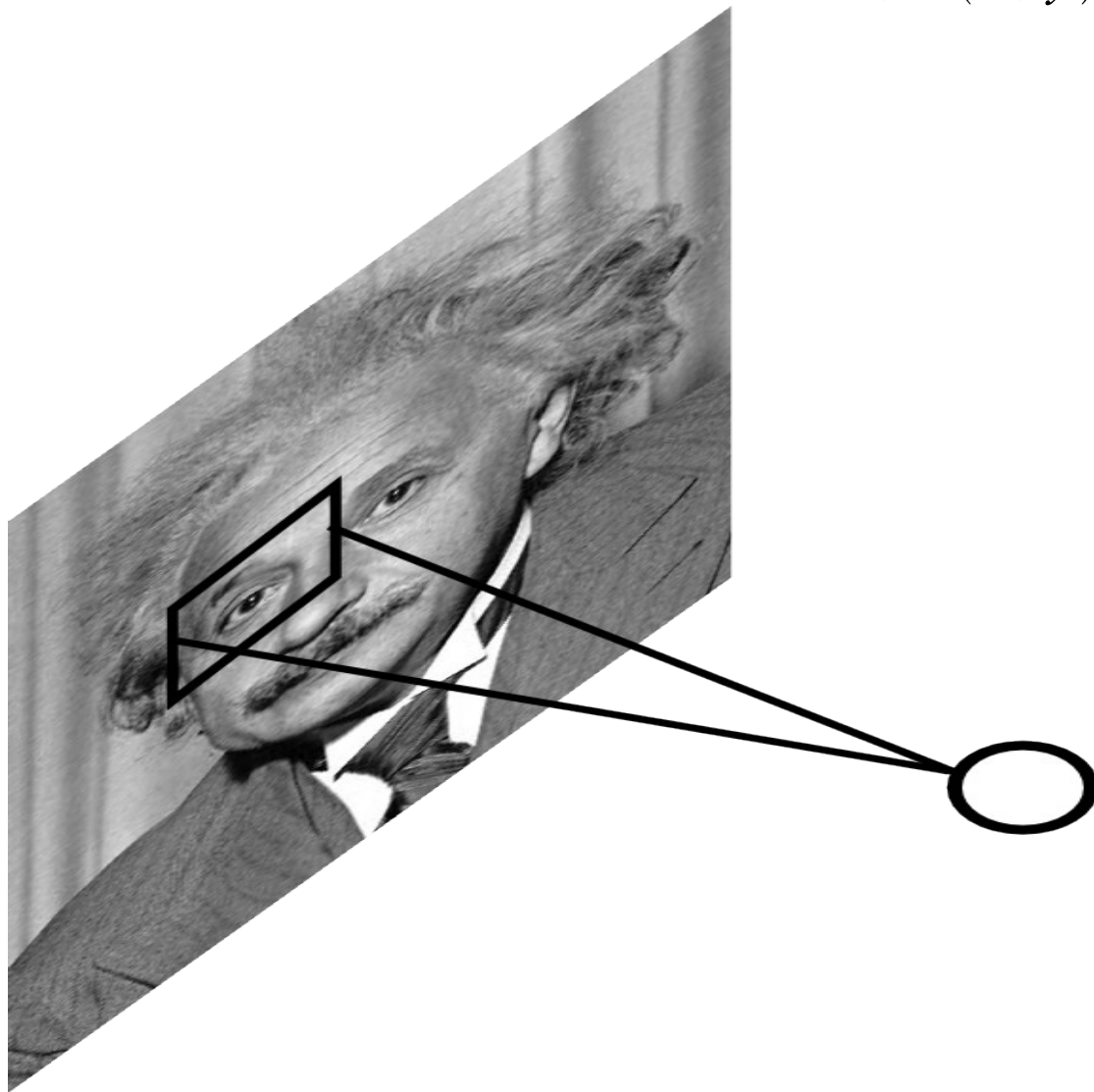
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By “pooling” (e.g., taking max) filter responses at different locations we gain robustness to the exact spatial location of features.



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$$h_{i+1,x,y} = \frac{h_{i,x,y} - m_{i,N(x,y)}}{\sigma_{i,N(x,y)}}$$



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We want the same response.

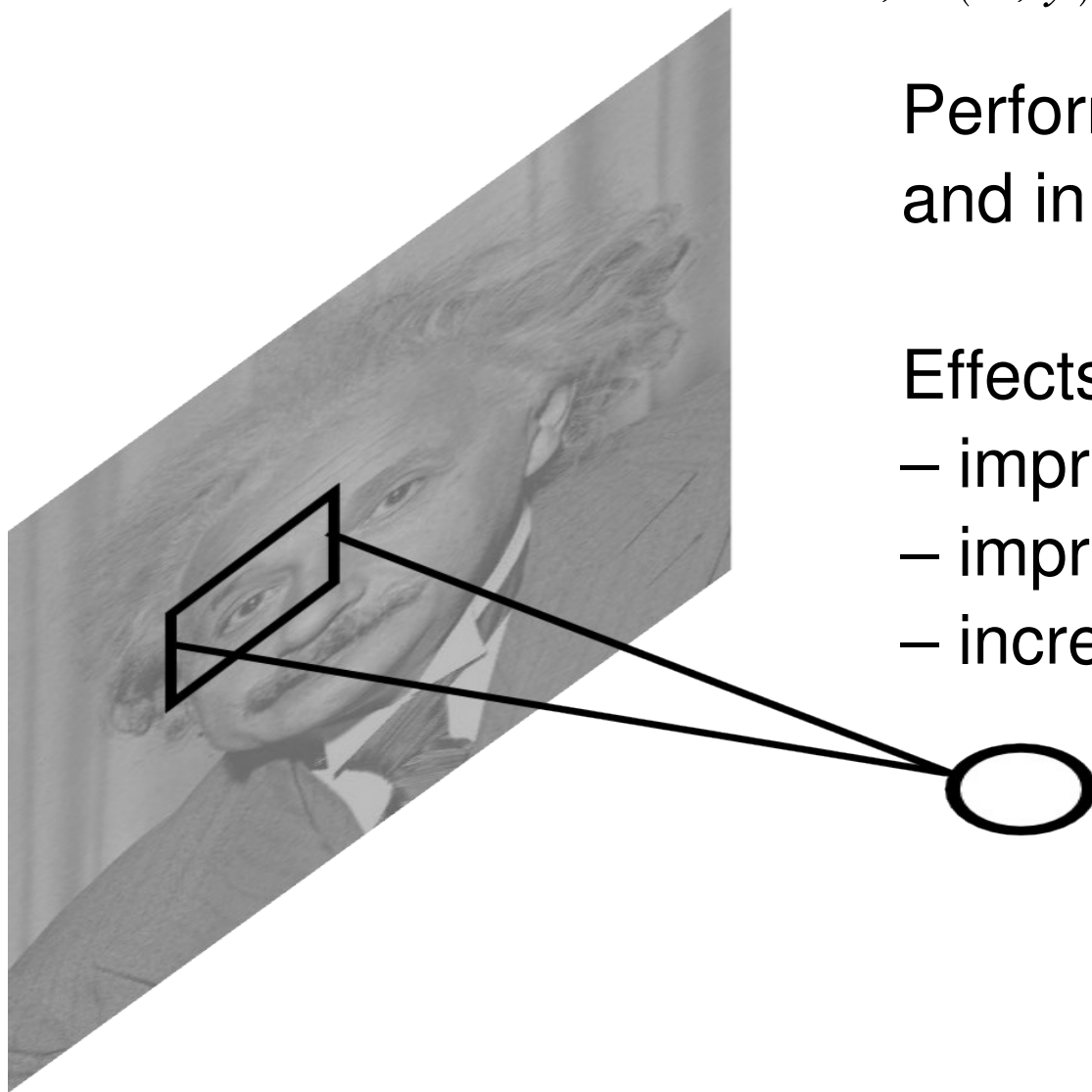
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Performed also across features and in the higher layers.

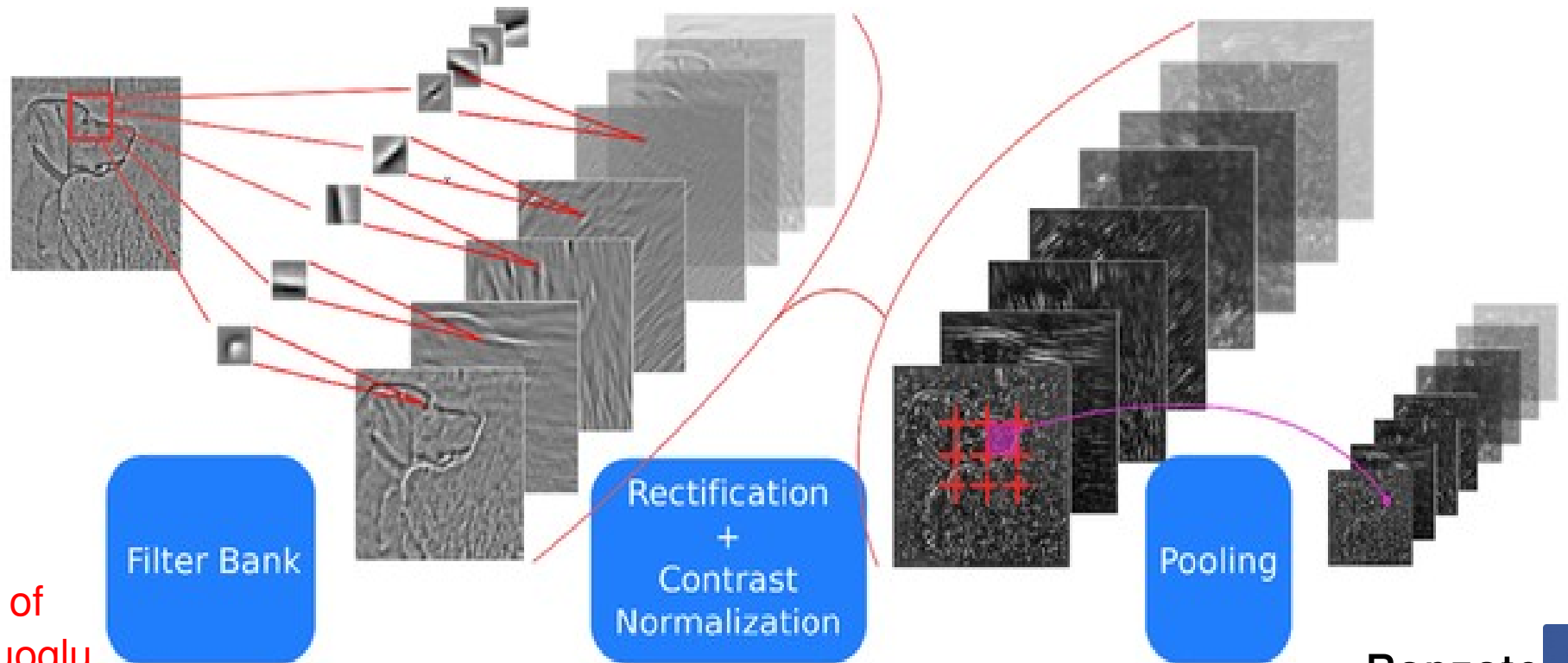
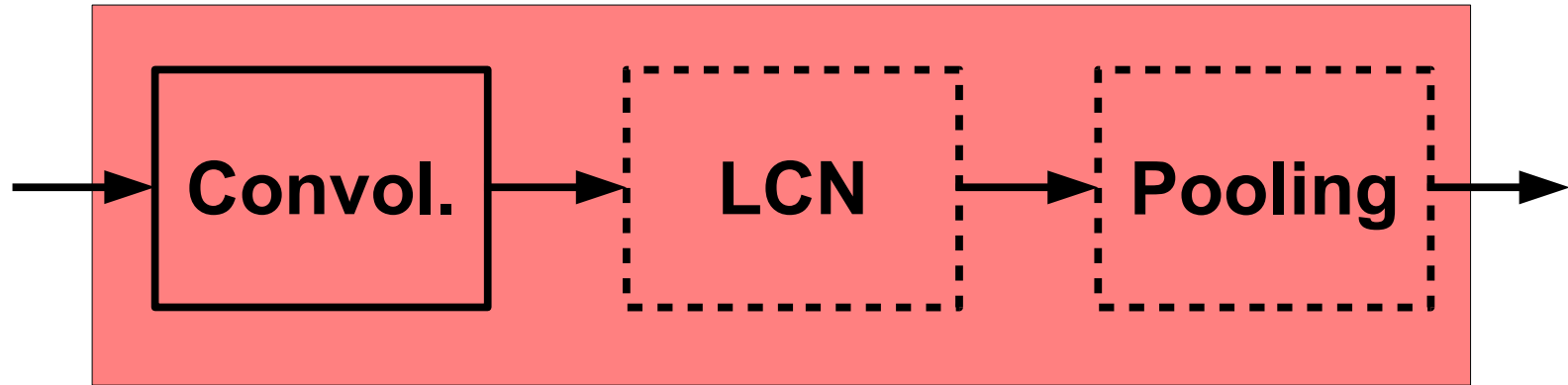
Effects:

- improves invariance
- improves optimization
- increases sparsity



CONV NETS: TYPICAL ARCHITECTURE

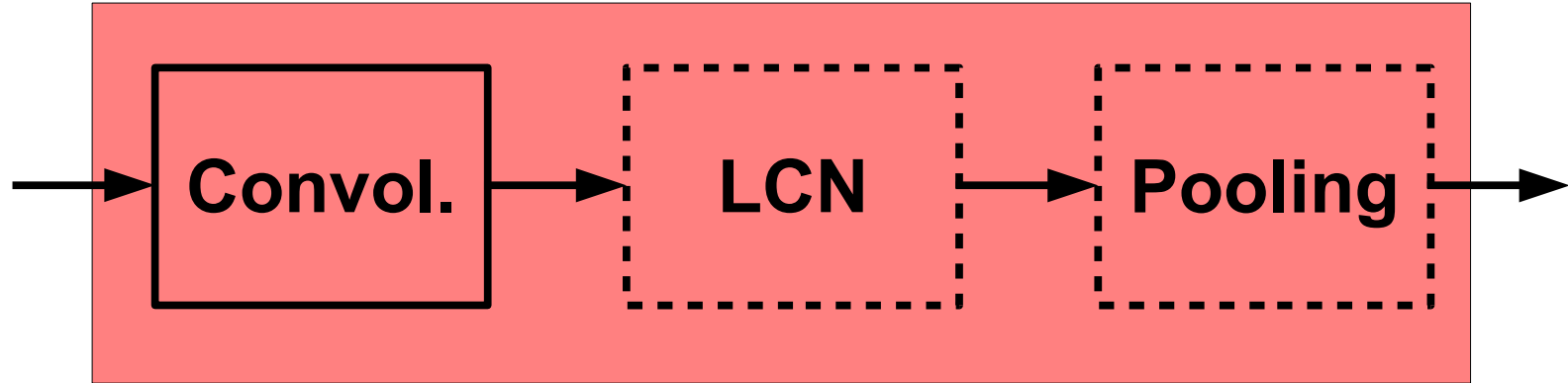
One stage (zoom)



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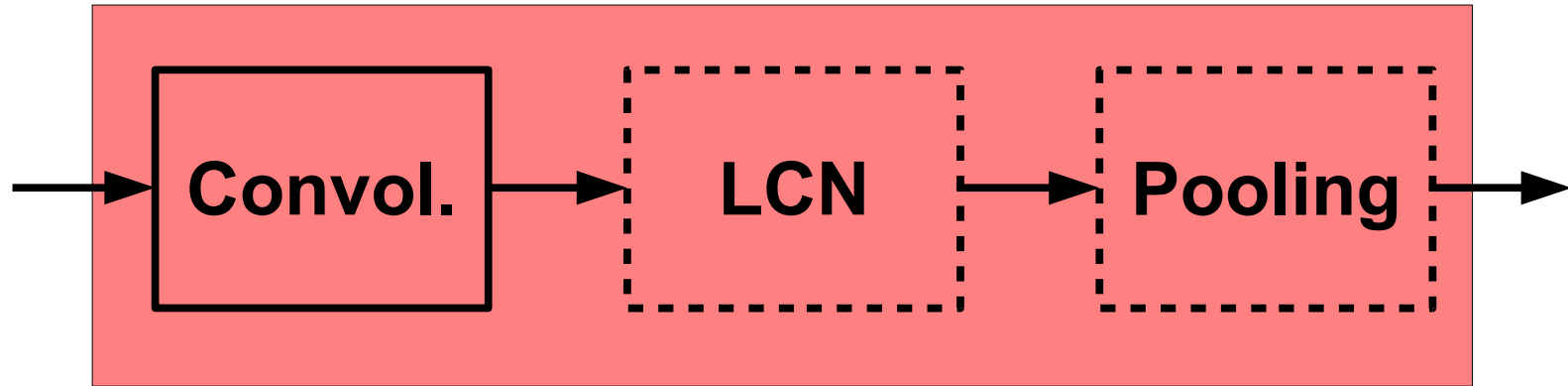
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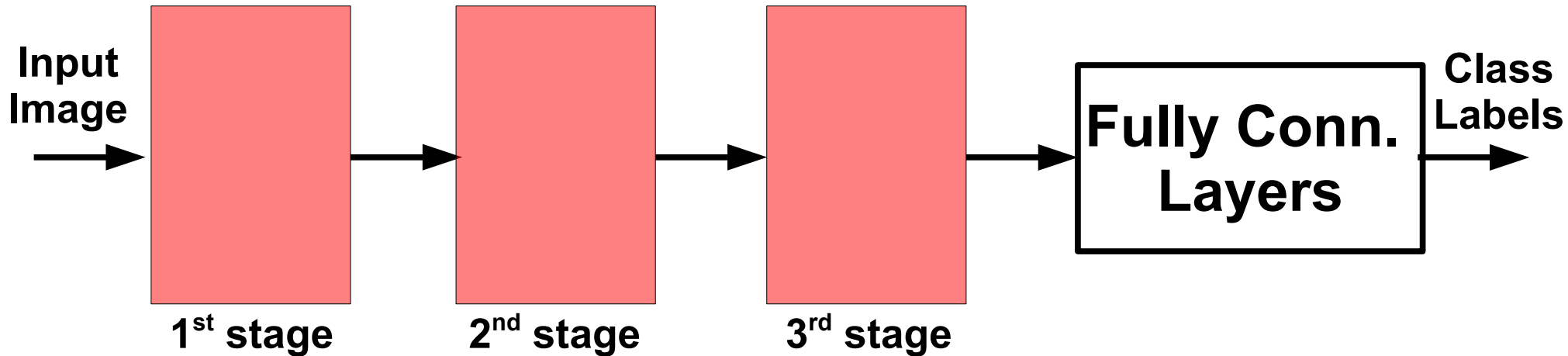
Conceptually similar to: SIFT, HoG, etc.

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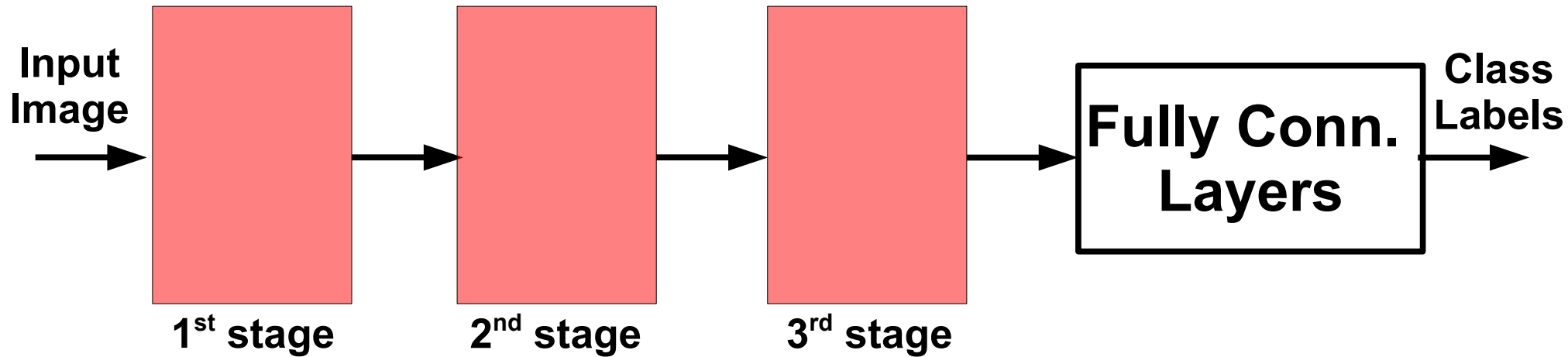


Whole system



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SIFT → K-Means → Pyramid Pooling → SVM

Lazebnik et al. “...Spatial Pyramid Matching...” CVPR 2006

SIFT → Fisher Vect. → Pooling → SVM

Sanchez et al. “Image classification with F.V.: Theory and practice” IJCV 2012

CONV NETS: TRAINING

All layers are differentiable (a.e.).

We can use standard back-propagation.

Algorithm:

Given a small mini-batch

- F-PROP**
- B-PROP**
- PARAMETER UPDATE**

CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- OCR / House number & Traffic sign classification



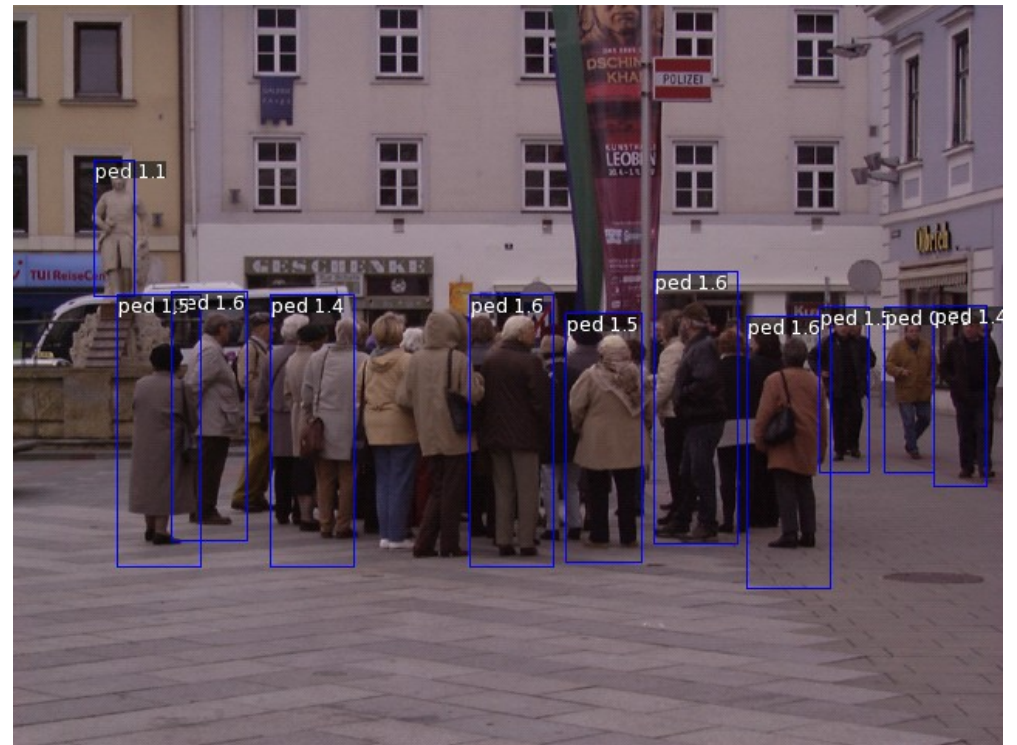
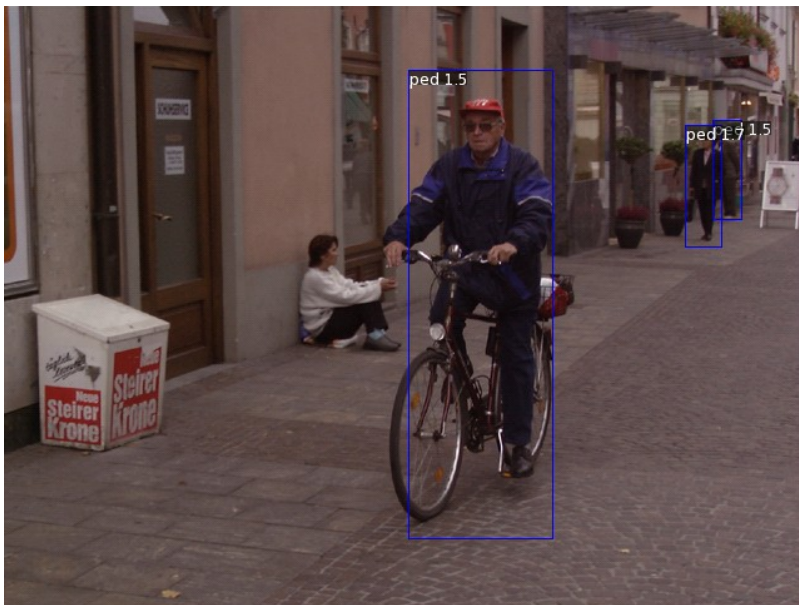
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- Texture classification



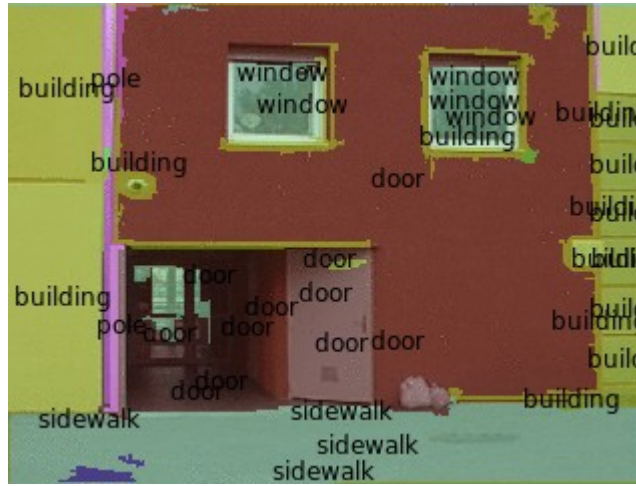
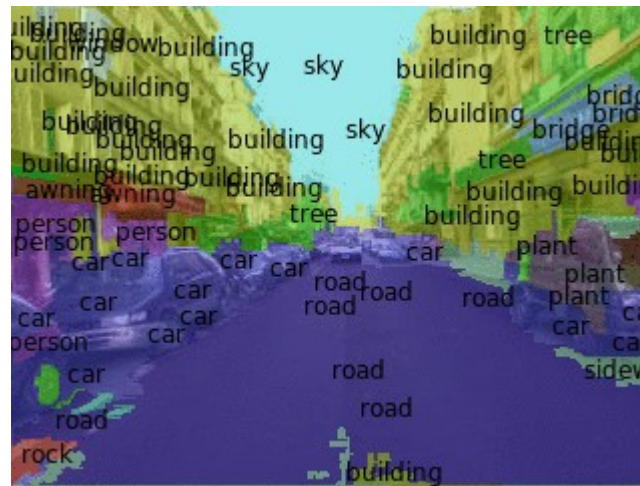
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- Pedestrian detection



CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Scene Parsing

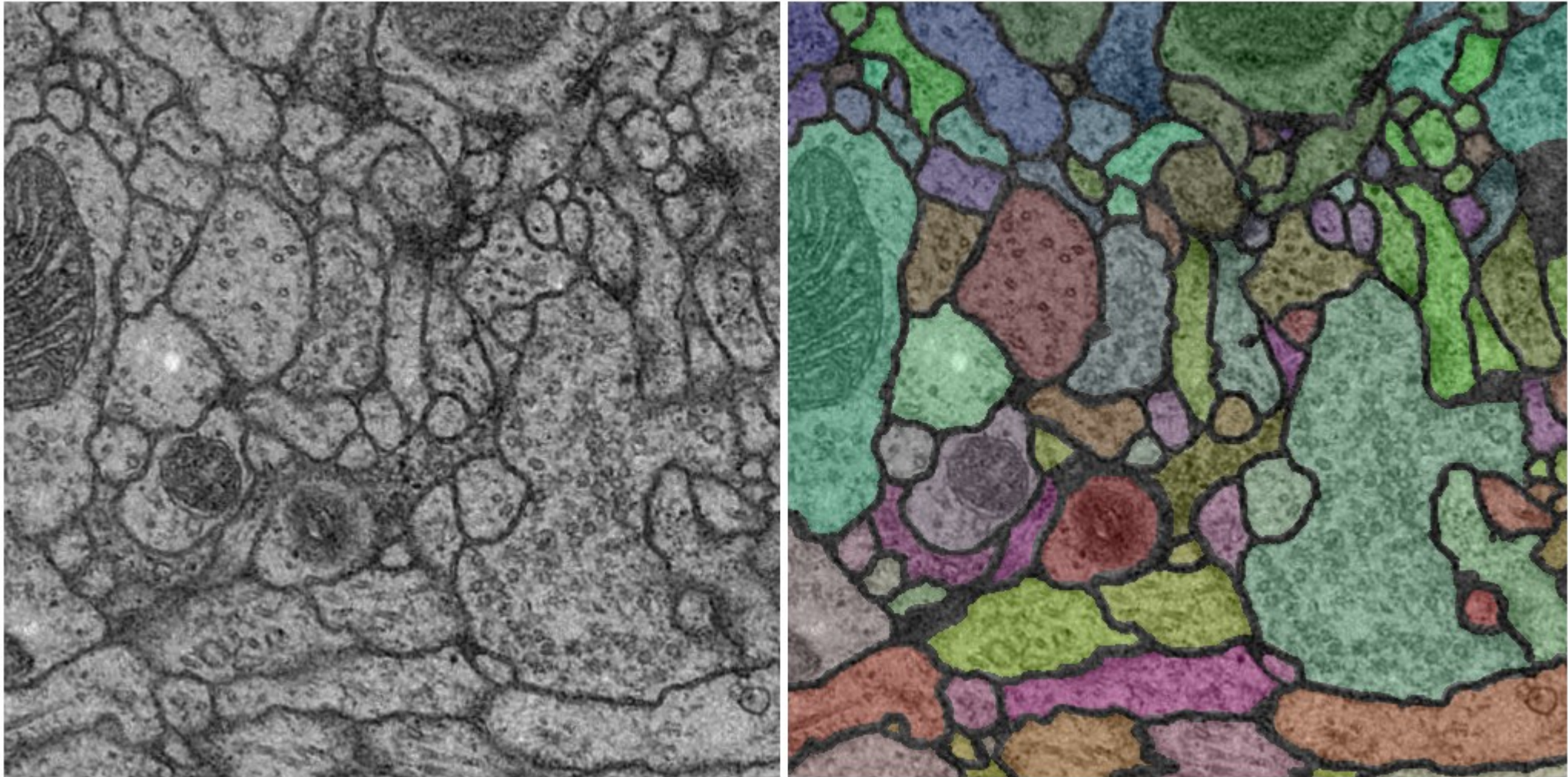


Farabet et al. "Learning hierarchical features for scene labeling" PAMI 2013

Pinheiro et al. "Recurrent CNN for scene parsing" arxiv 2013

CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Segmentation 3D volumetric images



Ciresan et al. "DNN segment neuronal membranes..." NIPS 2012

Turaga et al. "Maximin learning of image segmentation" NIPS 2009

CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Action recognition from videos



CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

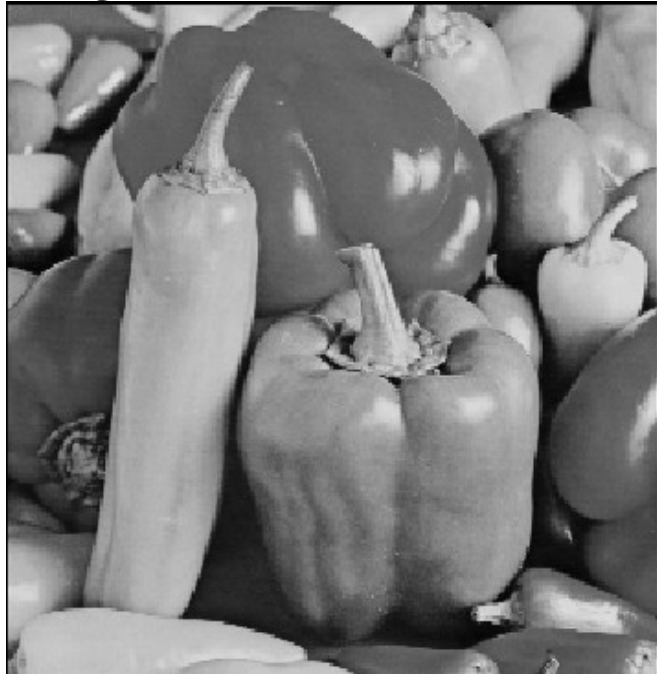
- Robotics



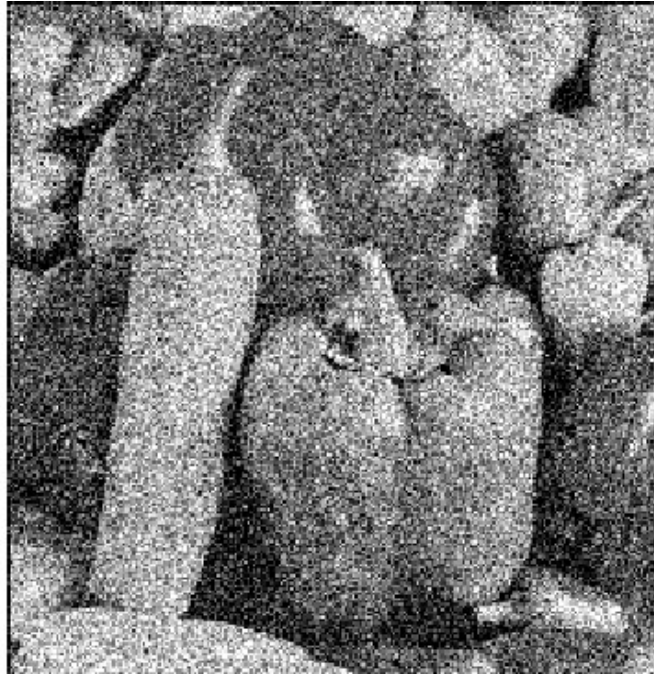
CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Denoising

original



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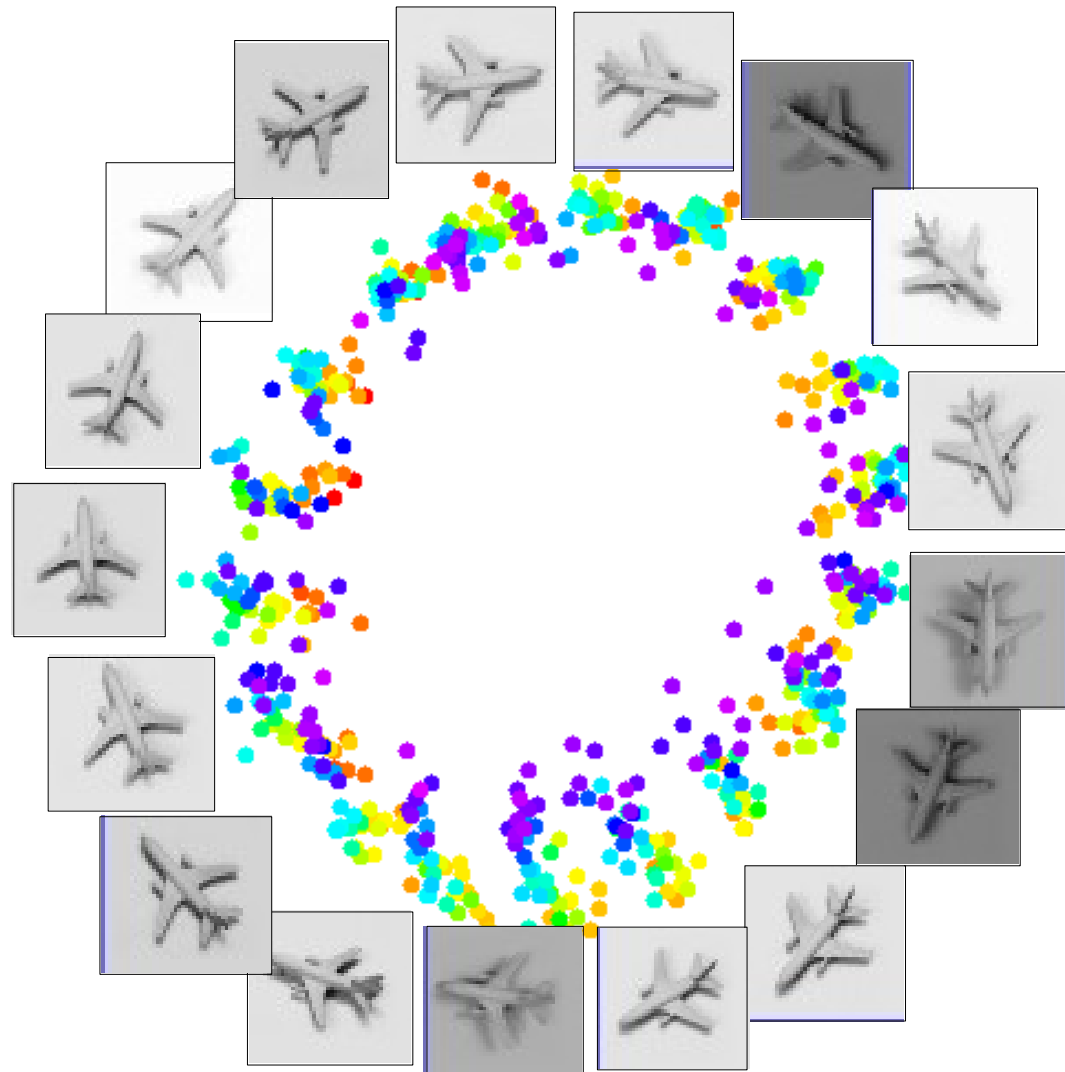


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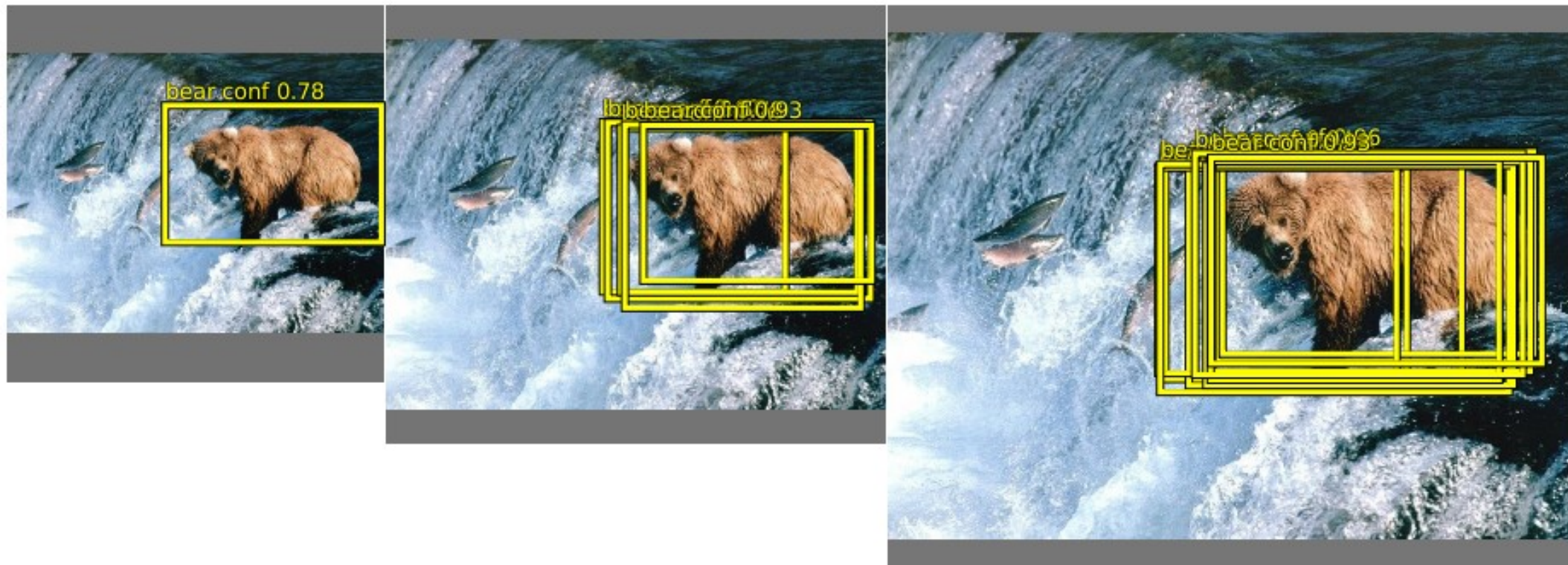
CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Dimensionality reduction / learning embeddings



CONV NETS: EXAMPLES

- Object detection

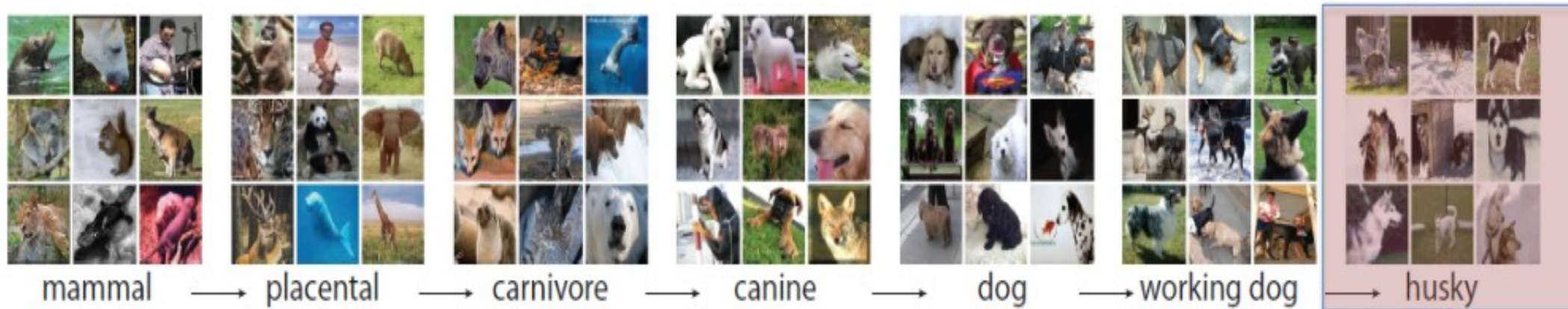


Sermanet et al. "OverFeat: Integrated recognition, localization, ..." arxiv 2013

Girshick et al. "Rich feature hierarchies for accurate object detection..." arxiv 2013 ⁶⁸

Szegedy et al. "DNN for object detection" NIPS 2013

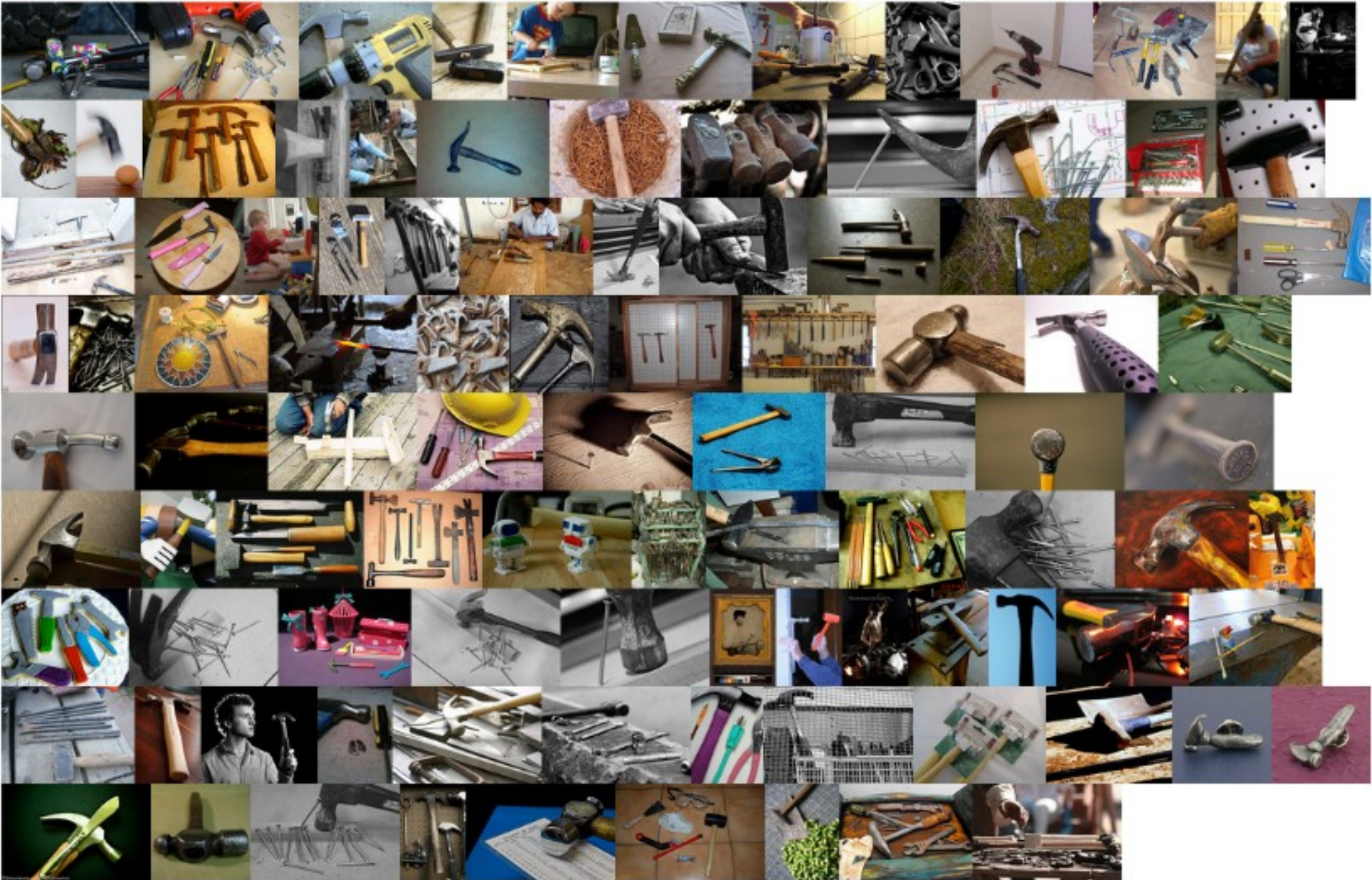
Dataset: ImageNet 2012



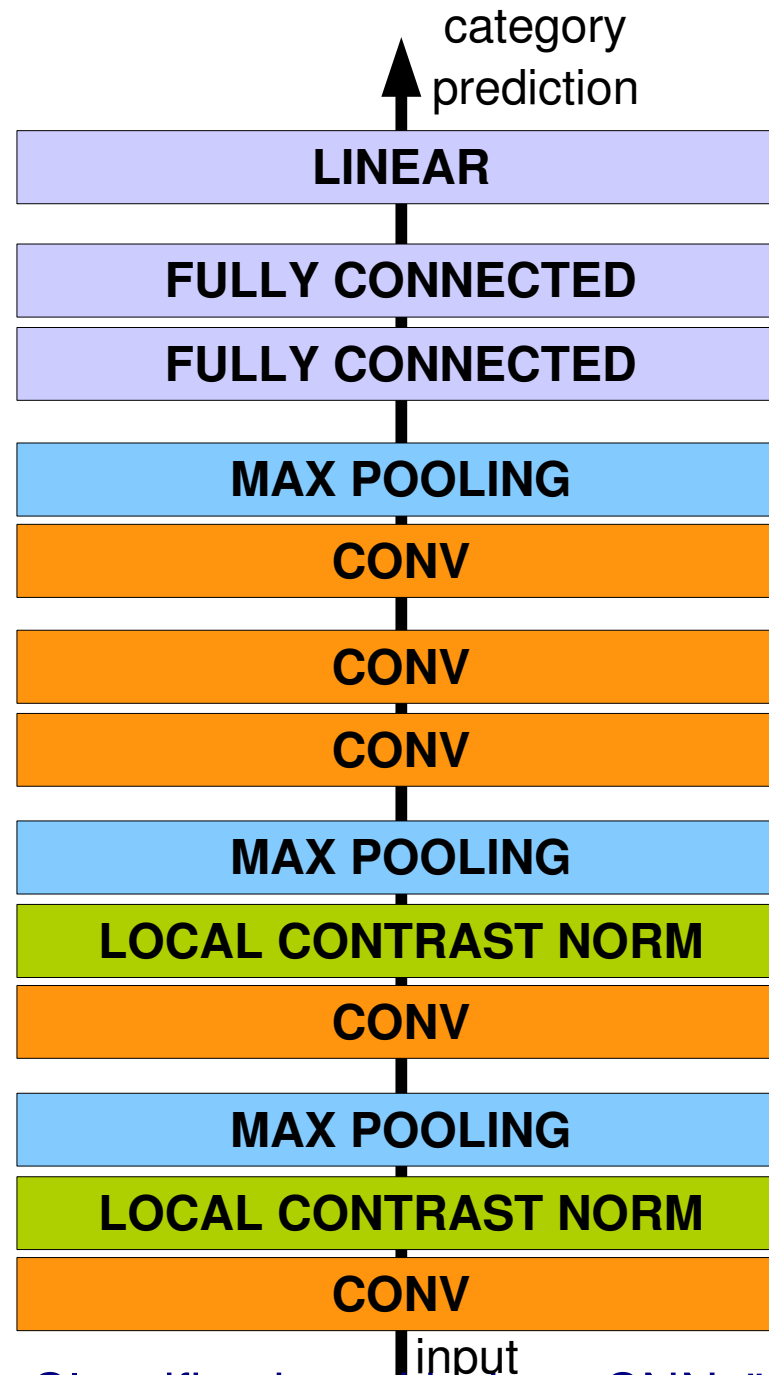
- S: (n) [Eskimo dog](#), [husky](#) (breed of heavy-coated Arctic sled dog)
 - direct hypernym / inherited hypernym / sister term
 - S: (n) [working dog](#) (any of several breeds of usually large powerful dogs bred to work as draft animals and guard and guide dogs)
 - S: (n) [dog](#), [domestic dog](#), [Canis familiaris](#) (a member of the genus *Canis* (probably descended from the common wolf) that has been domesticated by man since prehistoric times; occurs in many breeds) "*the dog barked all night*"
 - S: (n) [canine](#), [canid](#) (any of various fissioned mammals with nonretractile claws and typically long muzzles)
 - S: (n) [carnivore](#) (a terrestrial or aquatic flesh-eating mammal) "*terrestrial carnivores have four or five clawed digits on each limb*"
 - S: (n) [placental](#), [placental mammal](#), [eutherian](#), [eutherian mammal](#) (mammals having a placenta; all mammals except monotremes and marsupials)
 - S: (n) [mammal](#), [mammalian](#) (any warm-blooded vertebrate having the skin more or less covered with hair; young are born alive except for the small subclass of monotremes and nourished with milk)
 - S: (n) [vertebrate](#), [craniate](#) (animals having a bony or cartilaginous skeleton with a segmented spinal column and a large brain enclosed in a skull or cranium)
 - S: (n) [chordate](#) (any animal of the phylum Chordata having a notochord or spinal column)
 - S: (n) [animal](#), [animate being](#), [beast](#), [brute](#), [creature](#), [fauna](#) (a living organism characterized by voluntary movement)
 - S: (n) [organism](#), [being](#) (a living thing that has (or can develop) the ability to act or function independently)
 - S: (n) [living thing](#), [animate thing](#) (a living (or once living) entity)
 - S: (n) [whole](#), [unit](#) (an assemblage of parts that is regarded as a single entity) "*how big is that part compared to the whole?*"; "*the team is a unit*"
 - S: (n) [object](#), [physical object](#) (a tangible and visible entity; an entity that can cast a shadow) "*it was full of rackets, balls and other objects*"
 - S: (n) [physical entity](#) (an entity that has physical existence)
 - S: (n) [entity](#) (that which is perceived or known or inferred to have its own distinct existence (living or nonliving))

ImageNet

Examples of hammer:



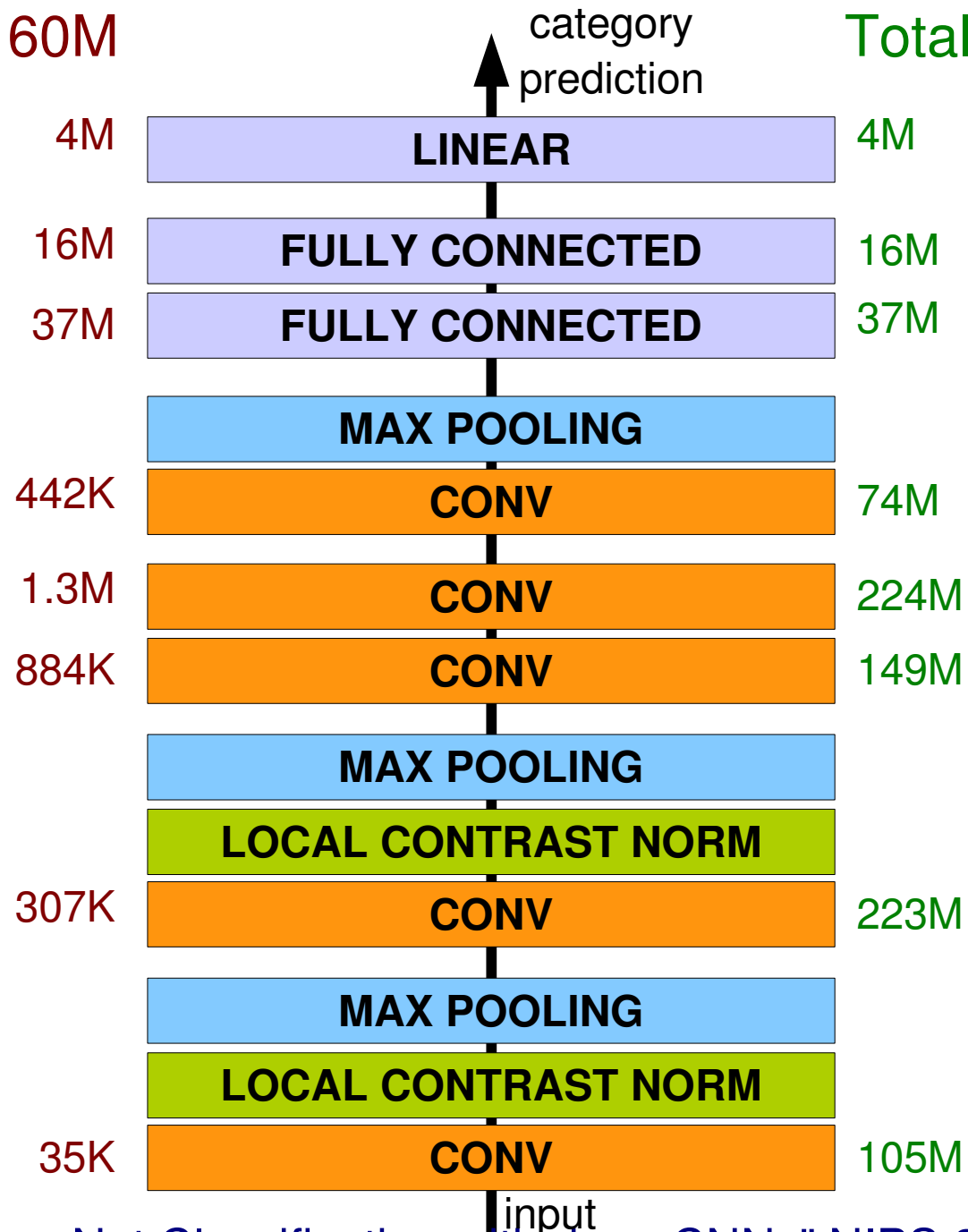
Architecture for Classification



Architecture for Classification

Total nr. params: 60M

Total nr. flops: 832M



Optimization

SGD with momentum:

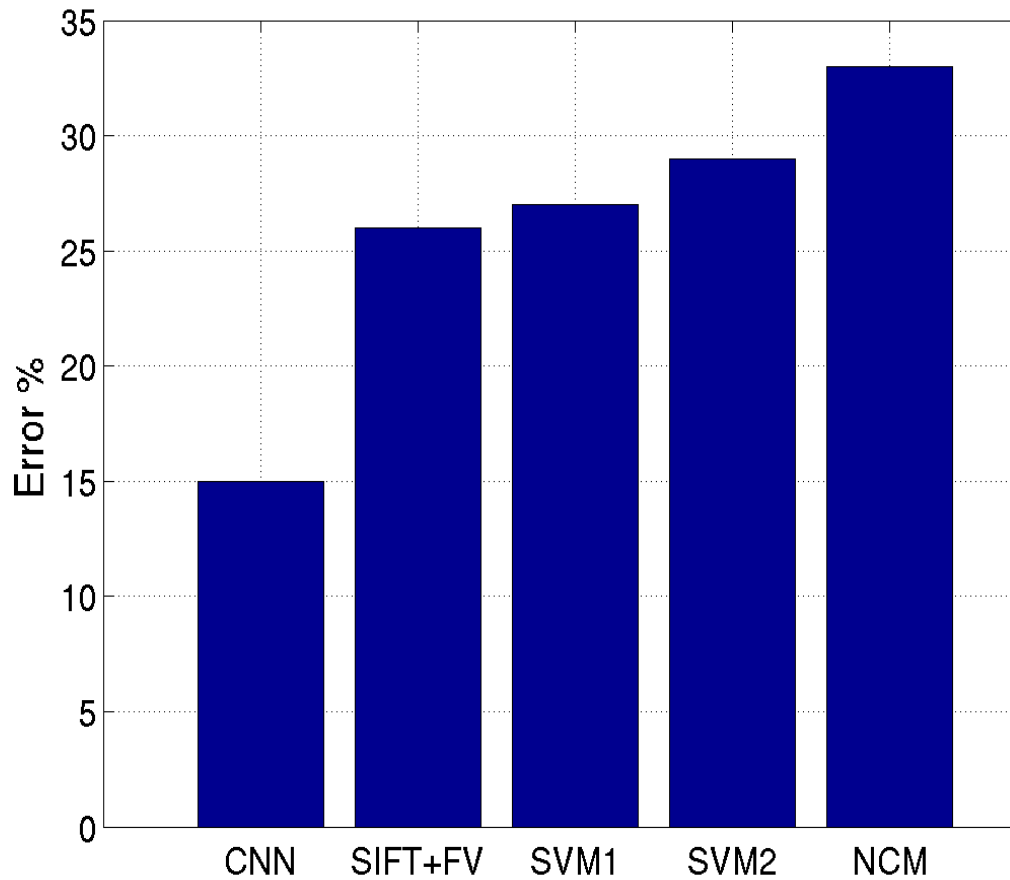
- Learning rate = 0.01
- Momentum = 0.9

Improving generalization by:

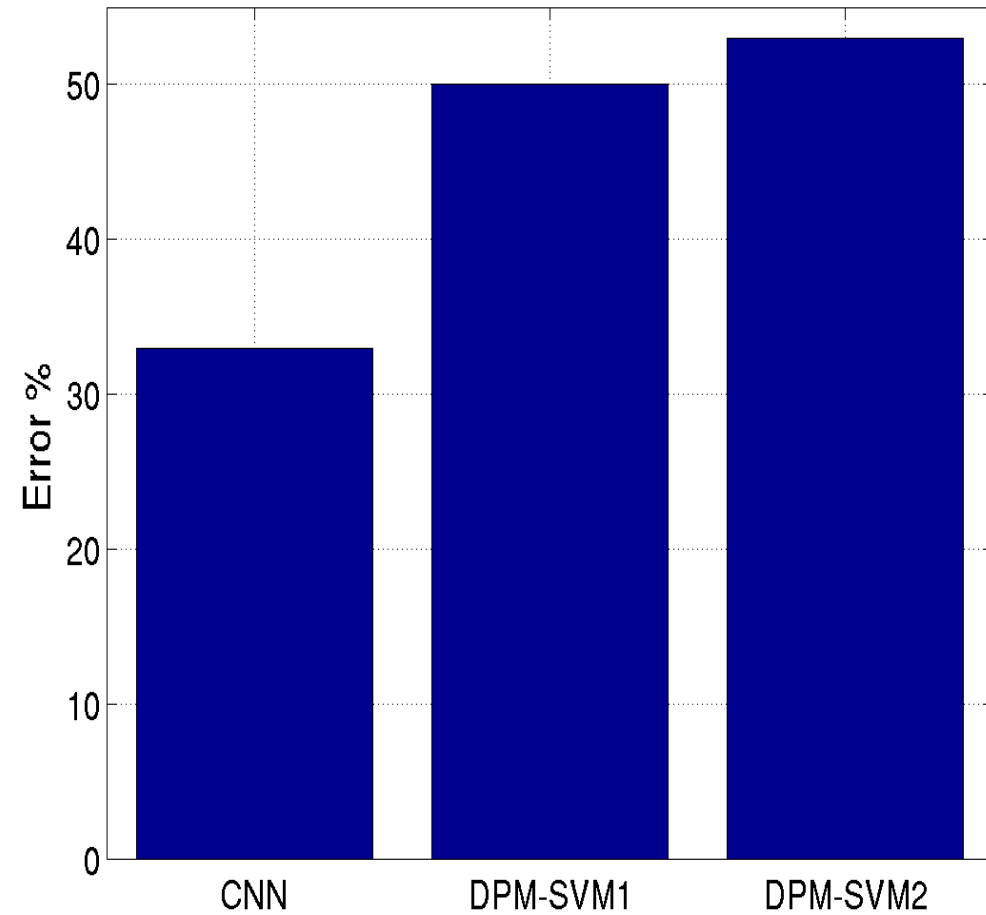
- Weight sharing (convolution)
- Input distortions
- Dropout = 0.5
- Weight decay = 0.0005

Results: ILSVRC 2012

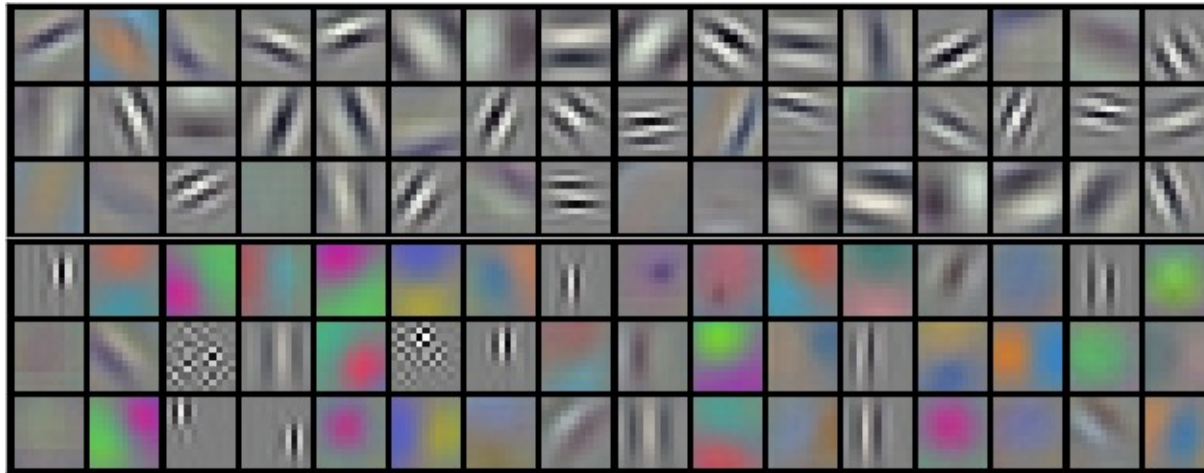
TASK 1 - CLASSIFICATION



TASK 2 - DETECTION



Results



First layer learned filters (processing raw pixel values).



mite

container ship

motor scooter

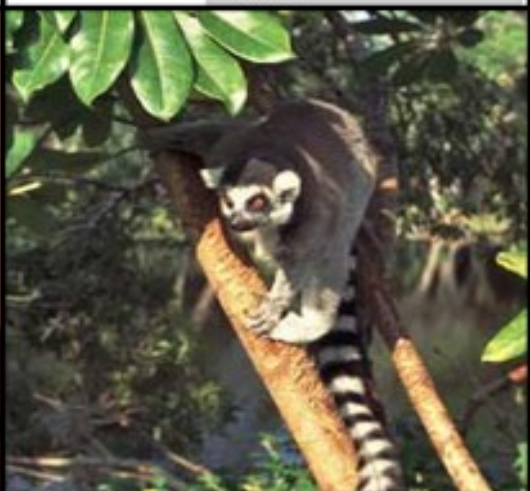
leopard

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| | moped |
| | bumper car |
| | golfcart |

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| | cheetah |
| | snow leopard |
| | Egyptian cat |



grille

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Madagascar cat

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| | fire engine |

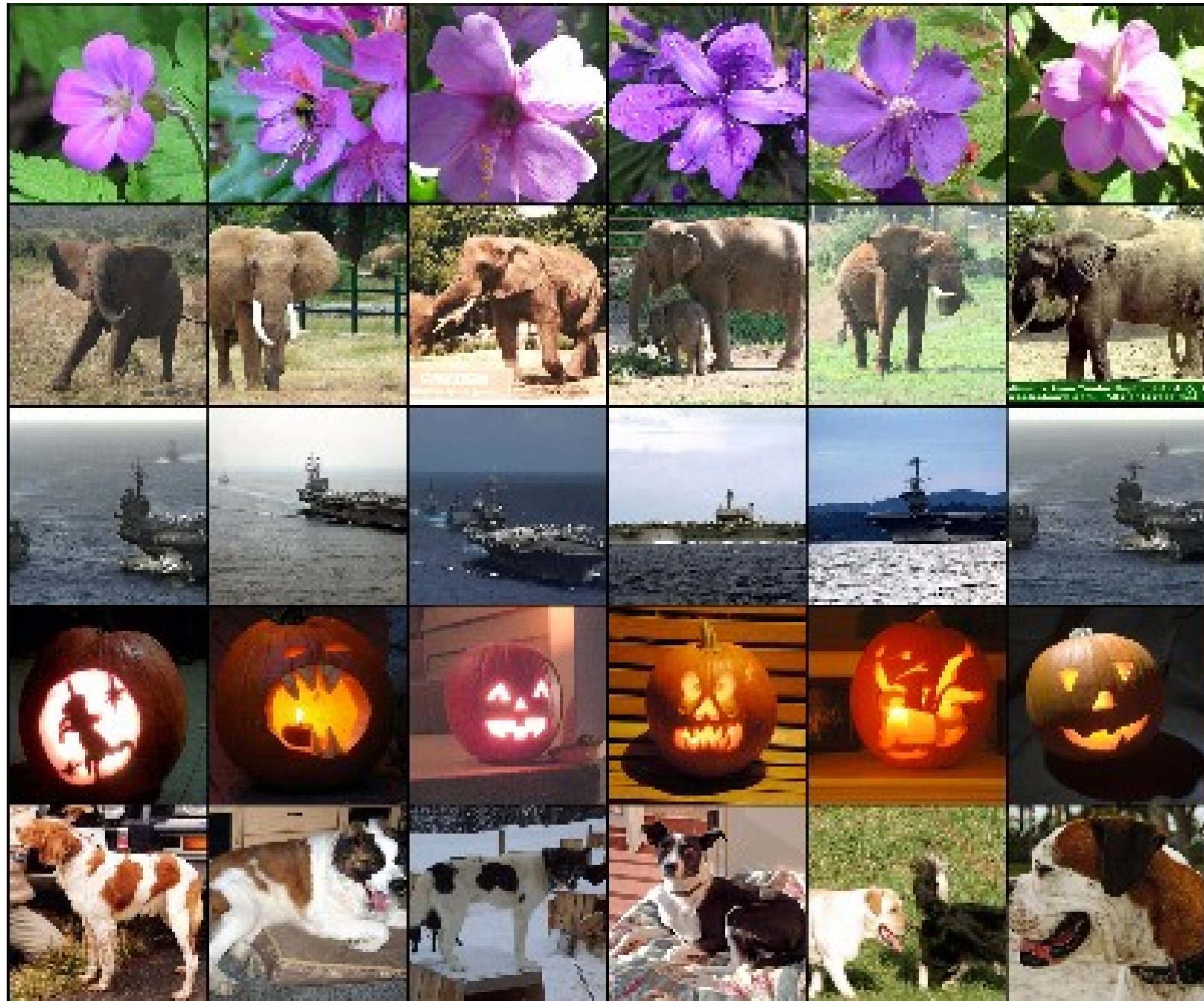
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| | titi |
| | indri |
| | howler monkey |

TEST IMAGE

RETRIEVED IMAGES



Demo of classifier by Matt Zeiler & Rob Fergus:

<http://horatio.cs.nyu.edu/>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `horatio.cs.nyu.edu/index.html`. The browser's address bar includes a search engine icon and the text "matt zeiler horatio". The browser's menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "View", "History", "Bookmarks", "Tools", and "Help". The browser's toolbar includes "Most Visited", "Getting Started", "Latest Headlines", and "Click Here!". The web page has a navigation bar with "Image Classifier Demo", "Demo", "About", and "Terms". The main heading is "Image Classifier Demo" with the NYU logo to the right. The text below the heading says: "Upload your images to have them classified by a machine! Upload multiple images using the button below or dropping them on this page. The predicted objects will be refreshed automatically. Images are resized such that the smallest dimension becomes 256, then the center 256x256 crop is used. More about the demo can be found [here](#) .". Below this text are three buttons: "Upload Images" (blue), "Remove All" (red), and "Show help tips" (checkbox). Below the buttons is a checkbox labeled "I agree to the [Terms of Use](#)". The main content area shows a predicted image of a lion in a savanna. To the right of the image is a list of predicted objects with their confidence scores. Each item in the list has three icons: a green checkmark, a red X, and an orange circle with a white question mark. A red "Remove" button is located to the right of the list. Below the list is a section for "Other objects:" with an empty text input field.

Image Classifier Demo Demo About Terms

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Predicted objects:

- Lion, King Of Beasts, Panthera Leo (0.34)
- Hartebeest (0.19)
- Hyena, Hyaena (0.16)
- Arabian Camel, Dromedary, Camelus Dromedarius (0.06)
- Dingo, Warrigal, Warragal, Canis Dingo (0.04)

Other objects:


Demo of classifier by Yangqing Jia & Trevor Darrell:

<http://decafberkeleyvision.org/>

Decaf Image Classifier

New: get the [software](#) and [tech report](#) that we have released!
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Provide an image and have it classified by decaf. [Click for a Quick Example](#)

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|  | Flat Prediction | Maximize Infogain |
| lion | 0.87769 | |
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| red wolf | 0.01321 | |

CNN took 0.462 seconds.

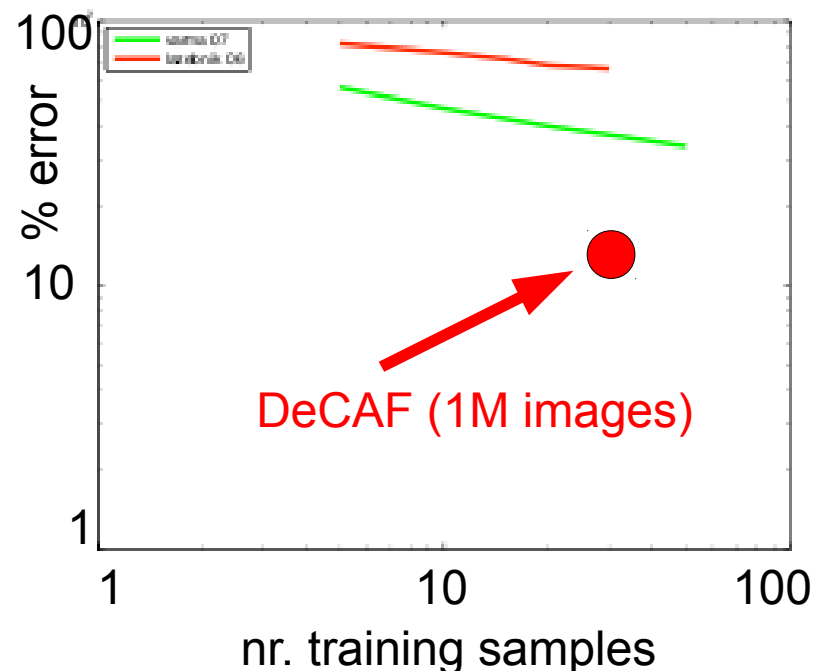
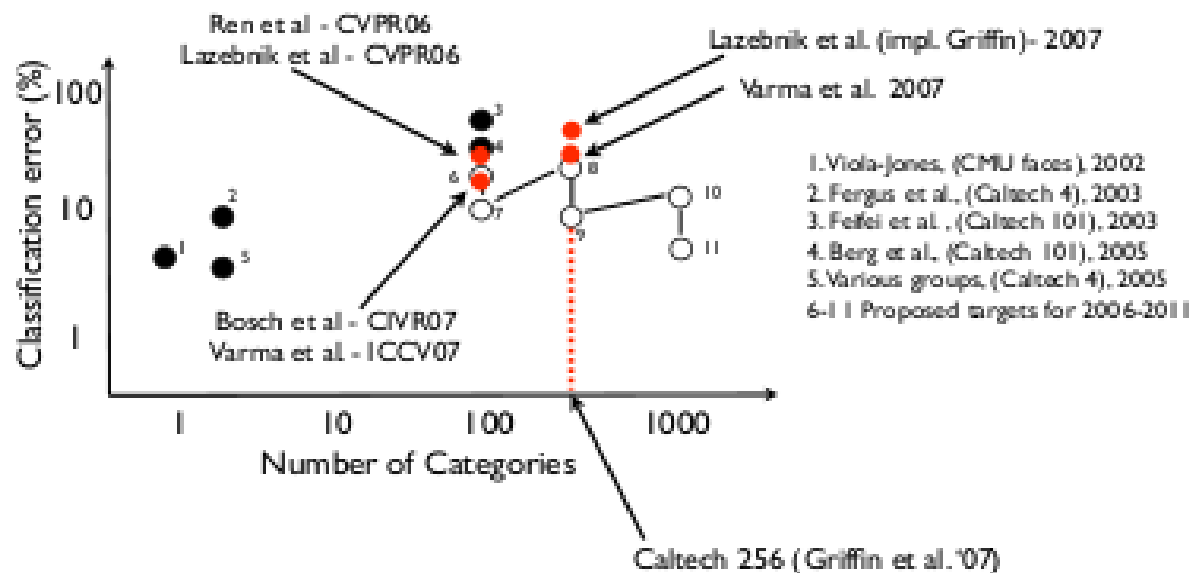



Figure 3: How well are we doing? (Left) Classification performance has seen steady improvement in the last few years, both in the number of categories on which algorithms are tested and in classification error rates. (Right) Performance of the best 2006 [Lazebnik et al., 2006] and the best 2007 algorithm [Varma, 2007] are compared here (classification error rates vs number of training examples). One may notice the significant year-on-year progress (see also left panel). Extrapolation enthusiasts may calculate that 10^8 training examples would be sufficient to achieve 1% error rates with current algorithms. Furthermore, if the pace of year-on-year progress is constant on this log scale chart, 1% error rates with 30 training examples will be achieved in 8-10 years.

CHOOSING THE ARCHITECTURE

- Task dependent
- Cross-validation
- [Convolution → LCN → pooling]* + fully connected layer
- The more data: the more layers and the more kernels
 - Look at the number of parameters at each layer
 - Look at the number of flops at each layer
- Computational cost
- Be creative :)

HOW TO OPTIMIZE

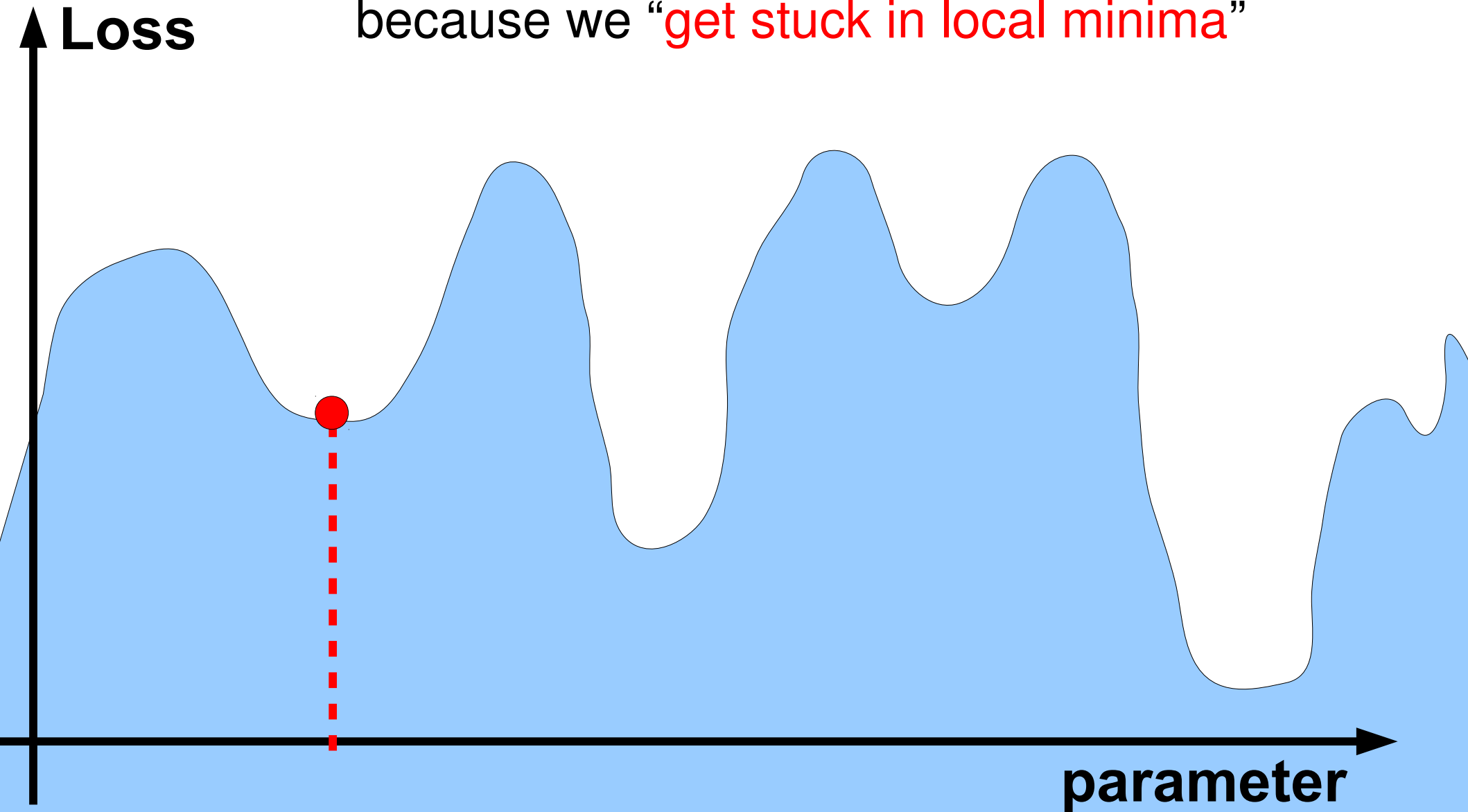
- SGD (with momentum) usually works very well
- Pick learning rate by running on a subset of the data
 - Bottou “Stochastic Gradient Tricks” Neural Networks 2012
 - Start with large learning rate and divide by 2 until loss does not diverge
 - Decay learning rate by a factor of ~ 1000 or more by the end of training
- Use  non-linearity
- Initialize parameters so that each feature across layers has similar variance. Avoid units in saturation.

HOW TO IMPROVE GENERALIZATION

- Weight sharing (greatly reduce the number of parameters)
- Data augmentation (e.g., jittering, noise injection, etc.)
- Dropout
 - Hinton et al. “Improving Nns by preventing co-adaptation of feature detectors”
arxiv 2012
- Weight decay (L2, L1)
- Sparsity in the hidden units
- Multi-task (unsupervised learning)

ConvNets: till 2012

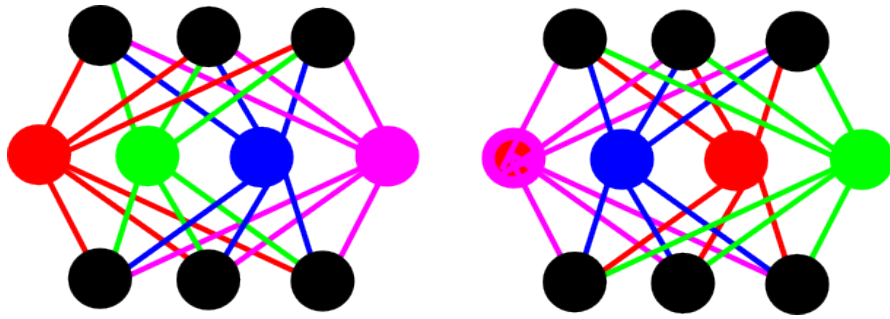
Common wisdom: training does not work because we “get stuck in local minima”



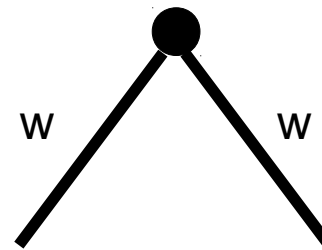
ConvNets: today

Local minima are all similar, there are long plateaus, it can take long time to break symmetries.

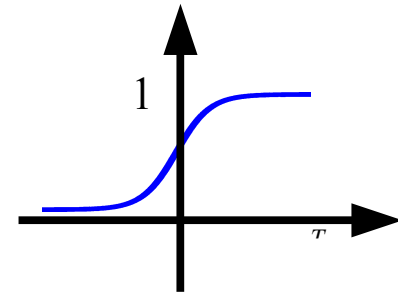
Loss



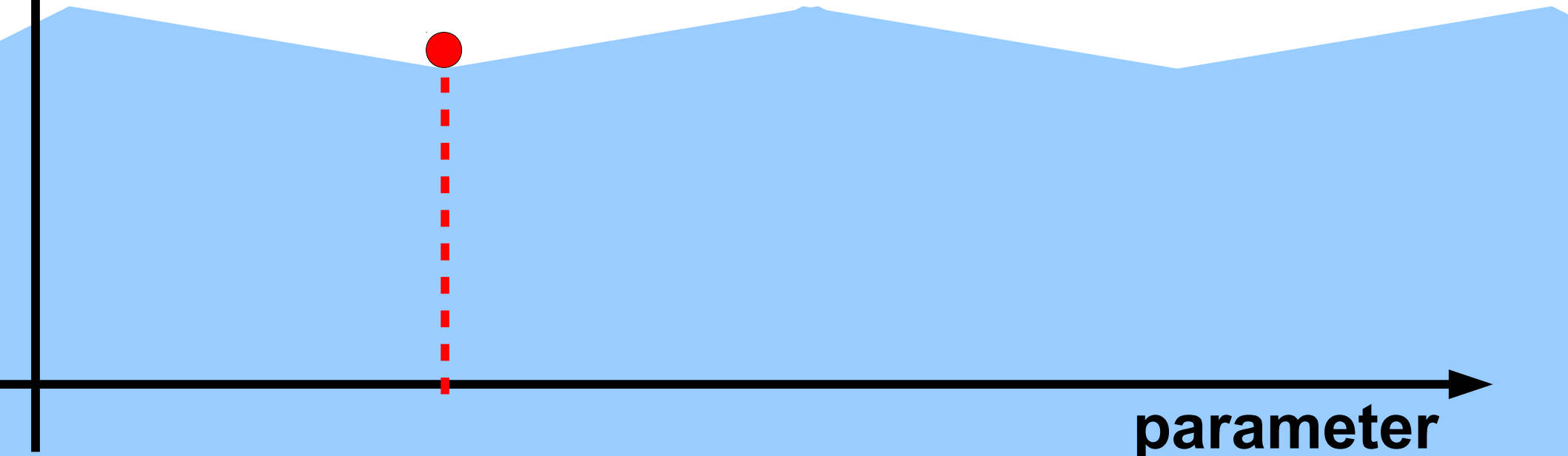
input/output invariant to permutations



breaking ties between parameters



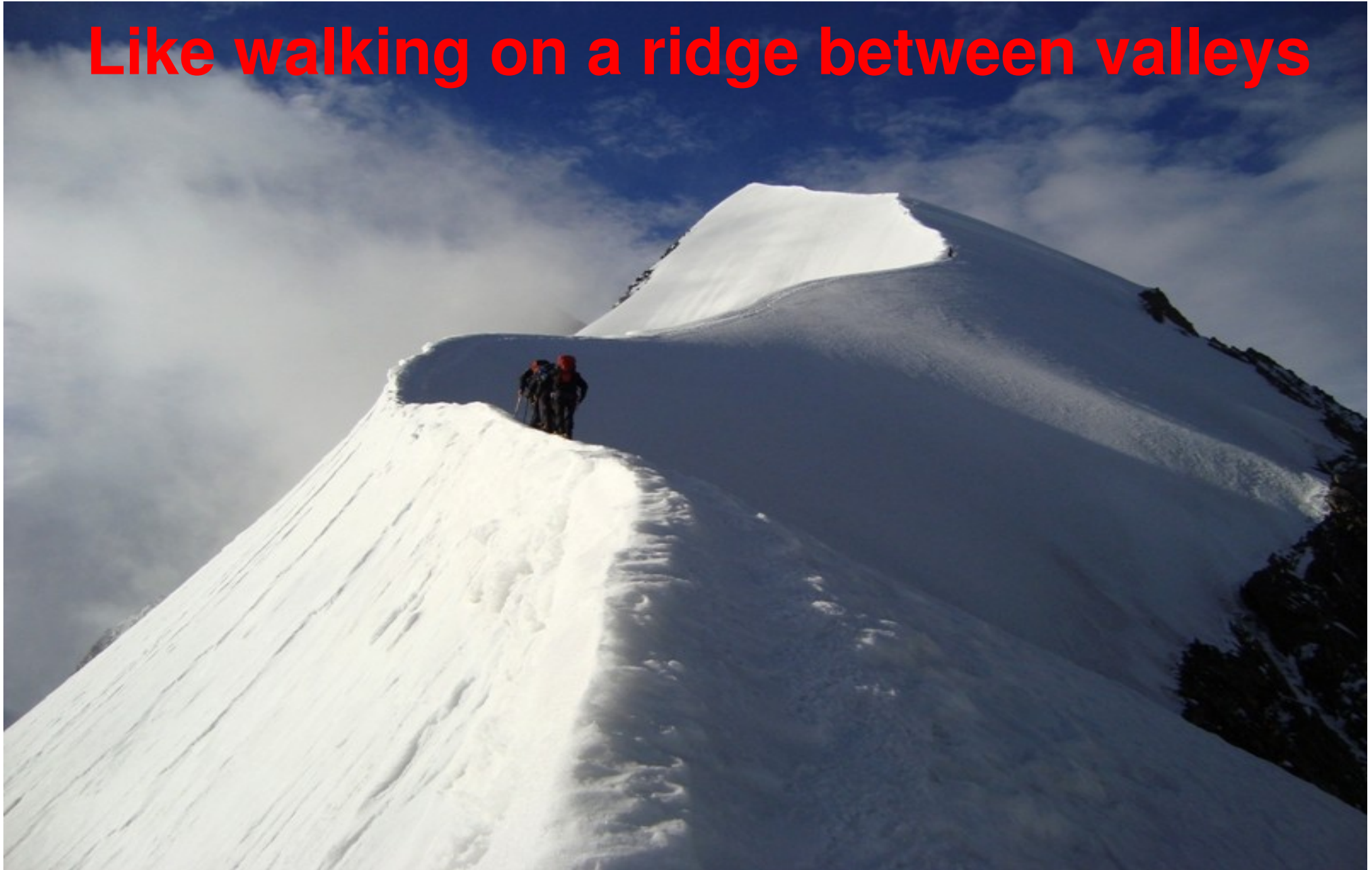
Saturating units



parameter

Neural Net Optimization is...

Like walking on a ridge between valleys

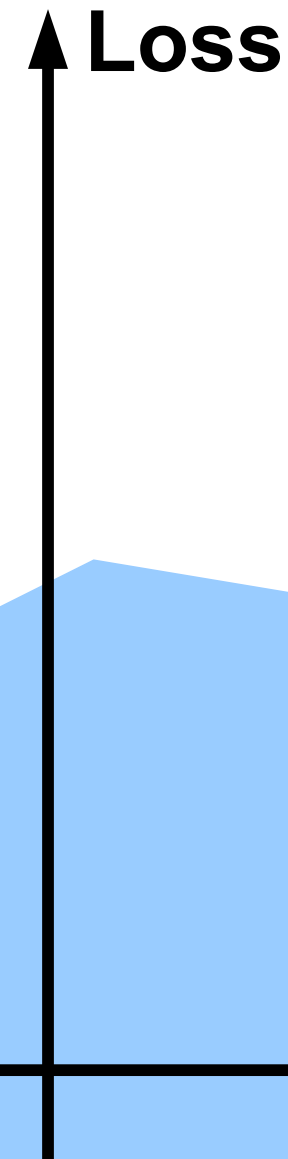


ConvNets: today

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Optimization is not the real problem when:

- dataset is large
- unit do not saturate too much
- normalization layer



parameter

ConvNets: today

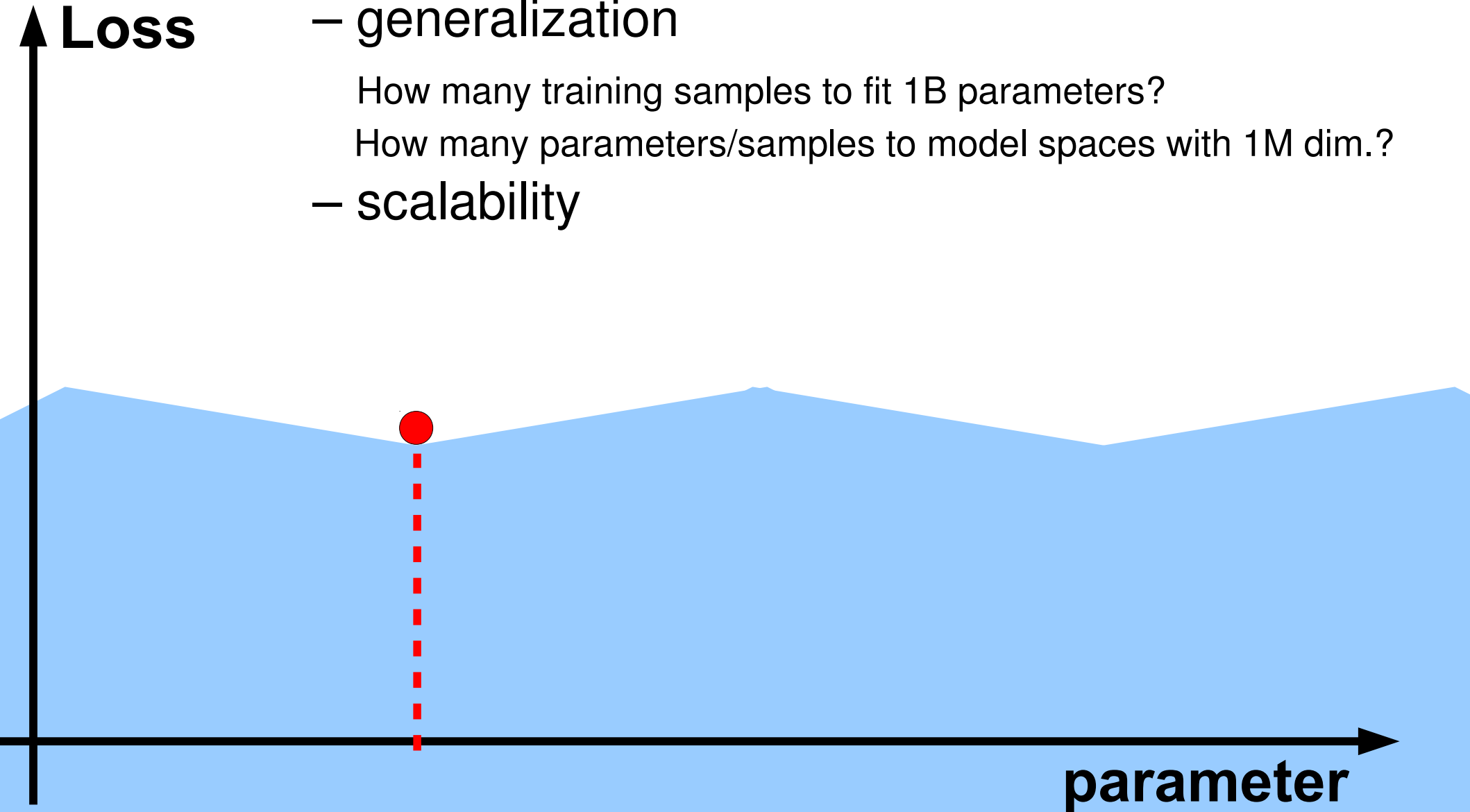
Today's belief is that the challenge is about:

- generalization

How many training samples to fit 1B parameters?

How many parameters/samples to model spaces with 1M dim.?

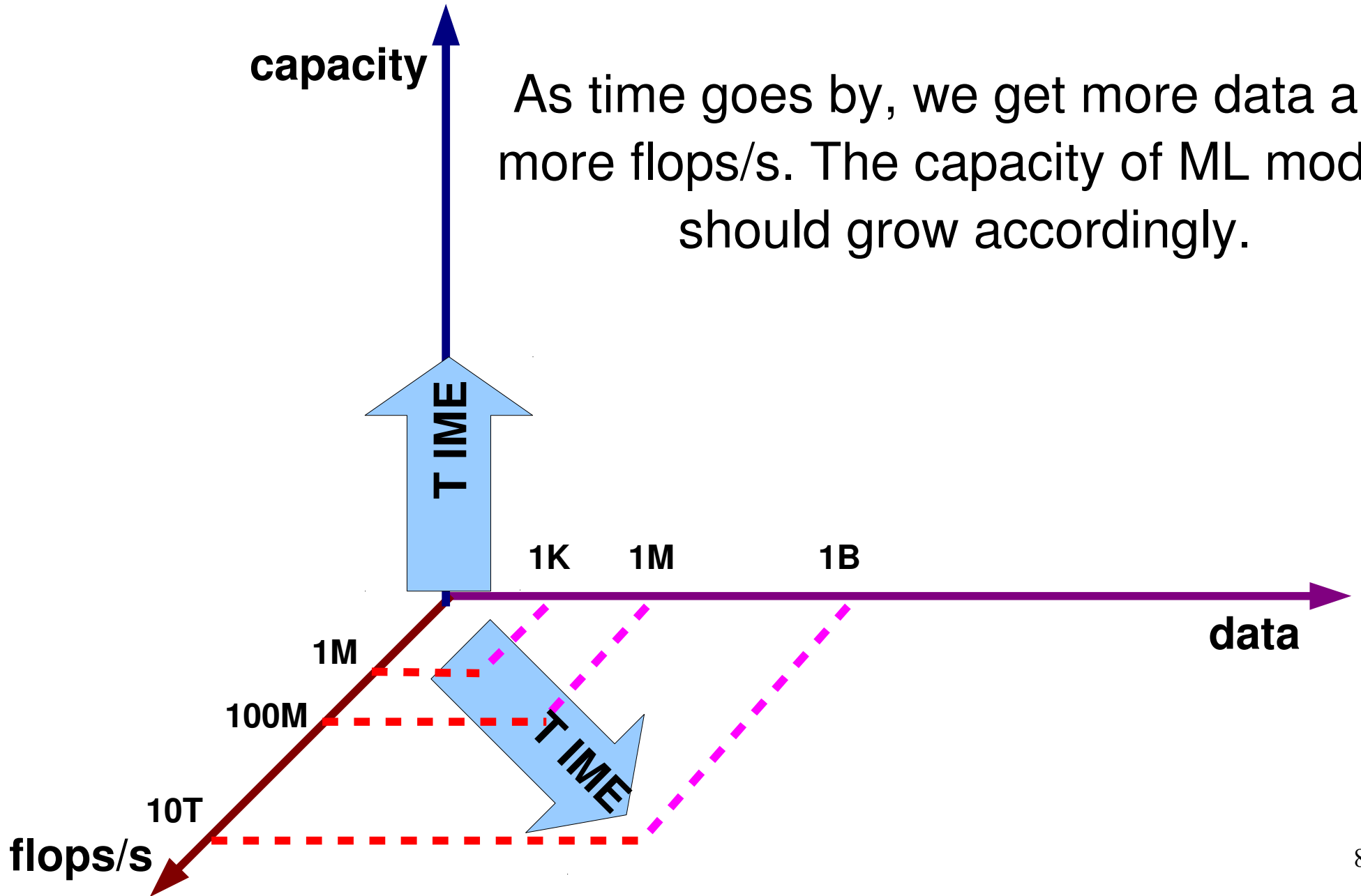
- scalability



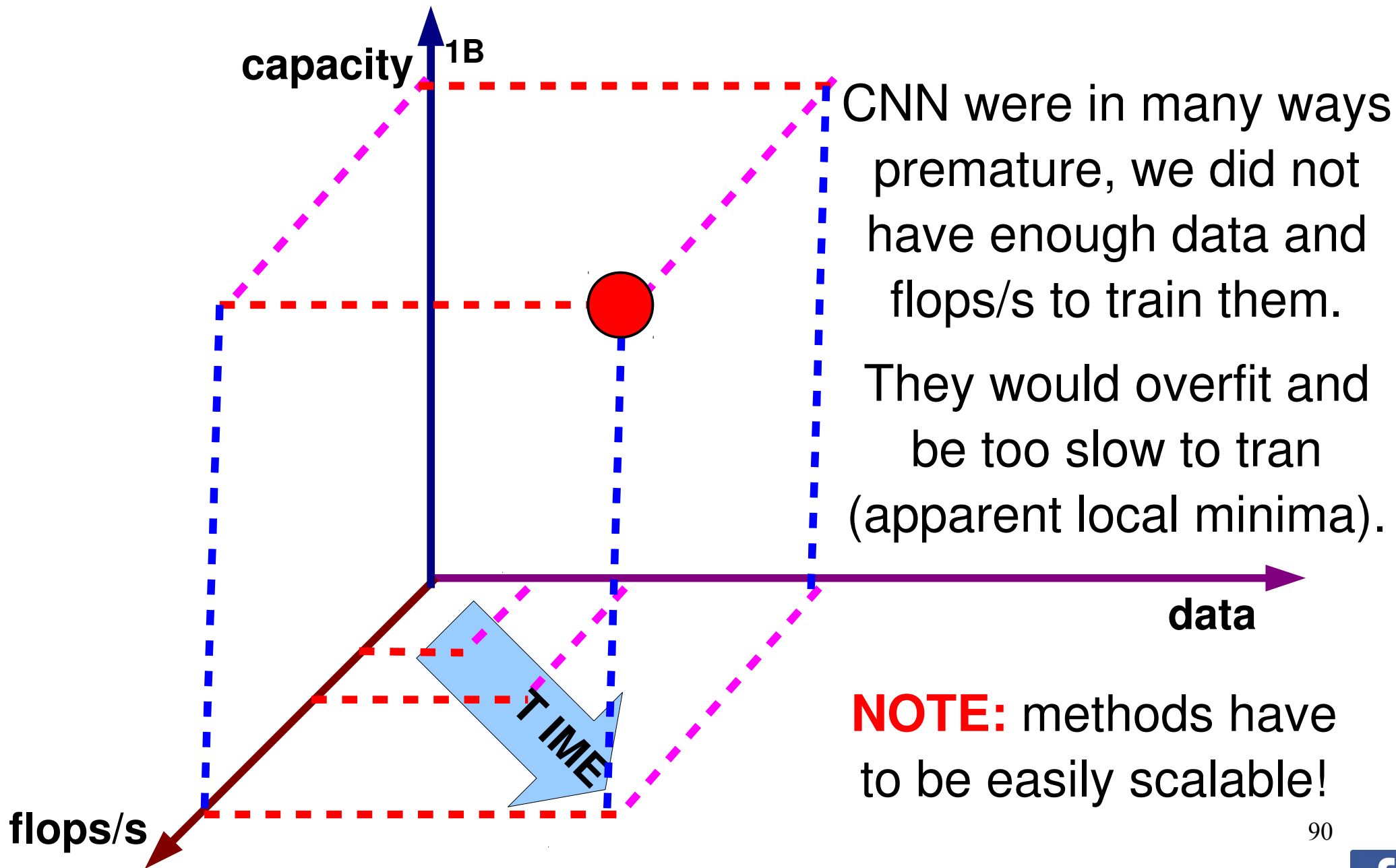
ConvNets: Why so successful today?

capacity

As time goes by, we get more data and more flops/s. The capacity of ML models should grow accordingly.

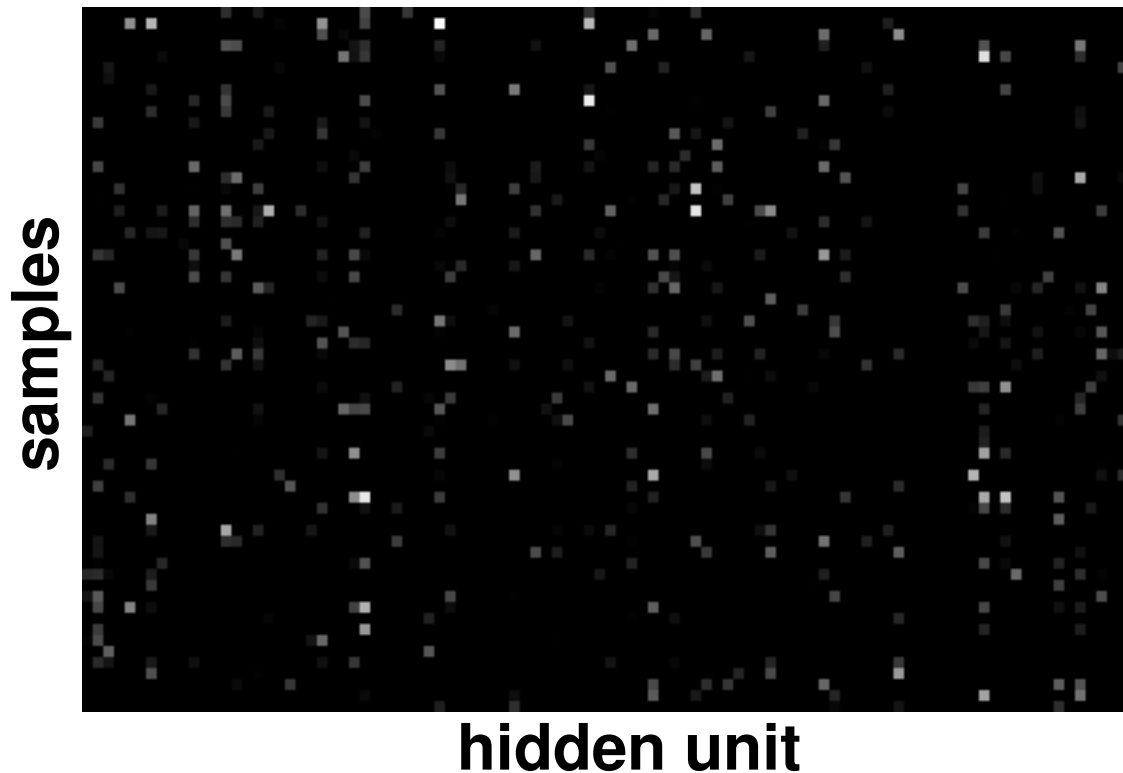


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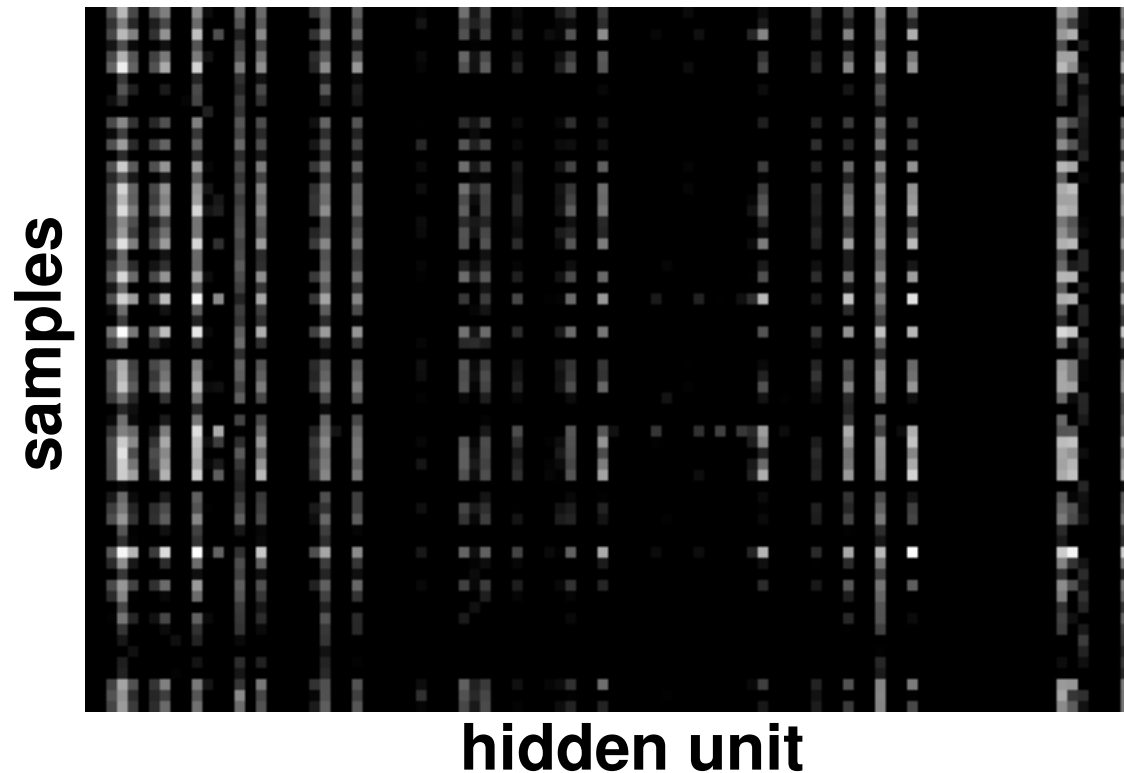
- Check gradients numerically by finite differences
- Visualize features (feature maps need to be uncorrelated) and have high variance.



Good training: hidden units are sparse across samples and across features.

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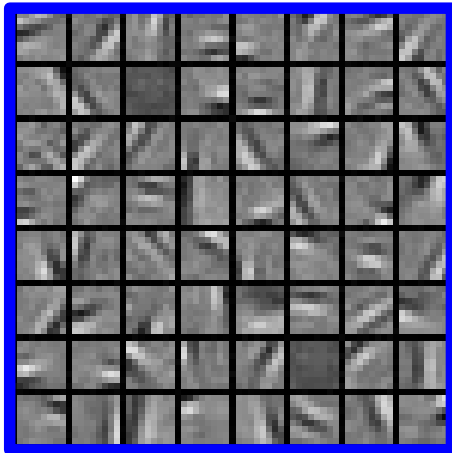


Bad training: many hidden units ignore the input and/or exhibit strong correlations.

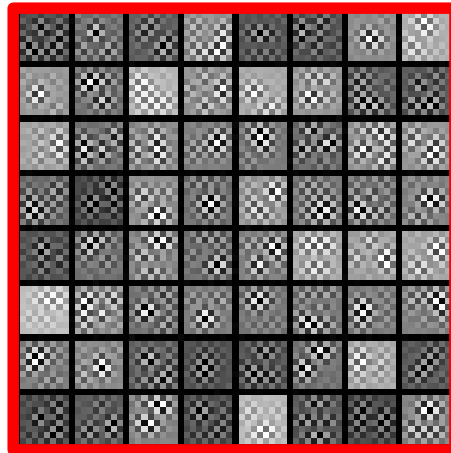
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- Visualize parameters

GOOD

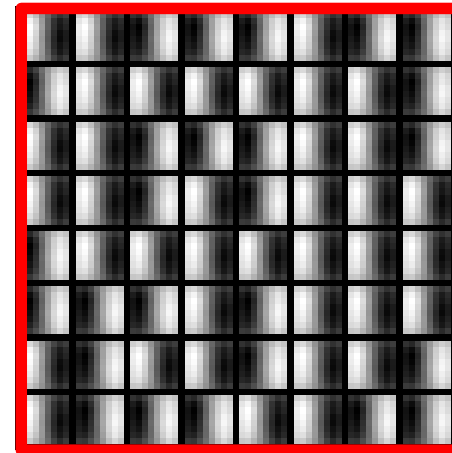


BAD



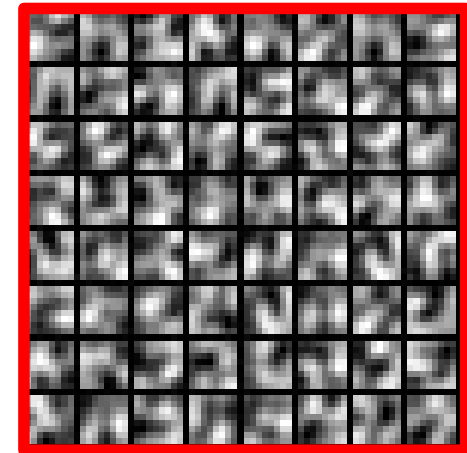
too noisy

BAD



too correlated

BAD



lack structure

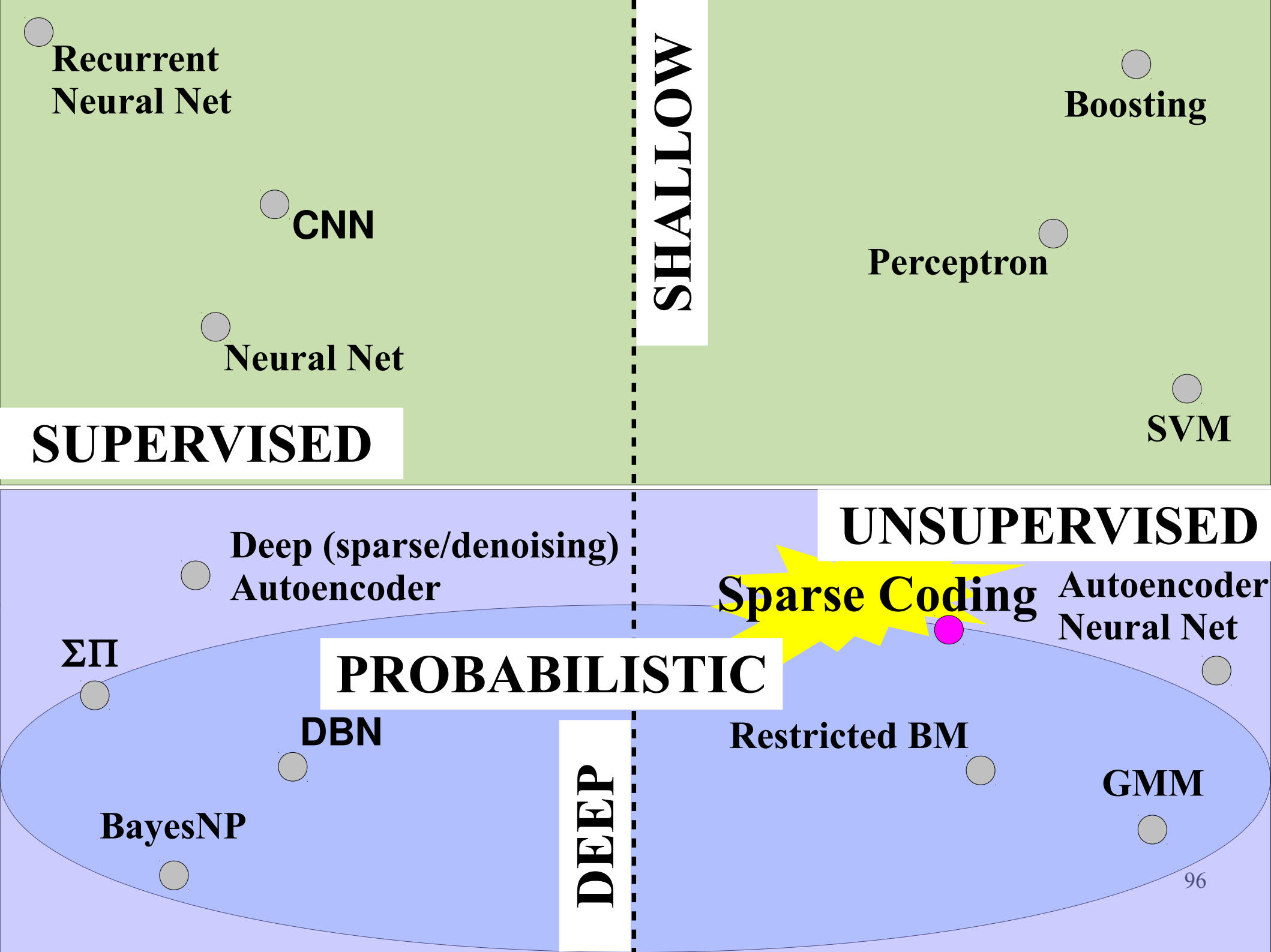
Good training: learned filters exhibit structure and are uncorrelated.

OTHER THINGS GOOD TO KNOW

- Check gradients numerically by finite differences
- Visualize features (feature maps need to be uncorrelated) and have high variance.
- Visualize parameters
- Measure error on both training and validation set.
- Test on a small subset of the data and check the error $\rightarrow 0$.

WHAT IF IT DOES NOT WORK?

- Training diverges:
 - Learning rate may be too large → decrease learning rate
 - BPROP is buggy → numerical gradient checking
- Parameters collapse / loss is minimized but accuracy is low
 - Check loss function:
 - Is it appropriate for the task you want to solve?
 - Does it have degenerate solutions? Check “pull-up” term.
- Network is underperforming
 - Compute flops and nr. params. → if too small, make net larger
 - Visualize hidden units/params → fix optimization
- Network is too slow
 - Compute flops and nr. params. → GPU, distrib. framework, make net smaller



Recurrent
Neural Net

CNN

Neural Net

SHALLOW

Boosting

Perceptron

SVM

SUPERVISED

UNSUPERVISED

Deep (sparse/denoising)
Autoencoder

Sparse Coding

Autoencoder
Neural Net

PROBABILISTIC

$\Sigma\Pi$

DBN

Restricted BM

GMM

BayesNP

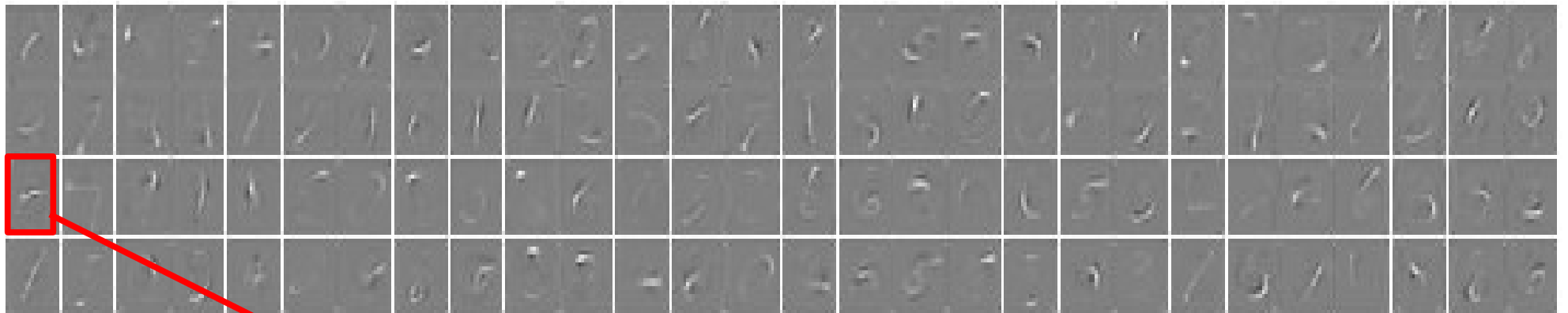
DEEP

Sparse Coding

$$E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}; W) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - W\mathbf{h}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{h}\|_1$$

$$\tilde{E}(\mathbf{x}; W) = \min_{\mathbf{h}} E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}; W)$$

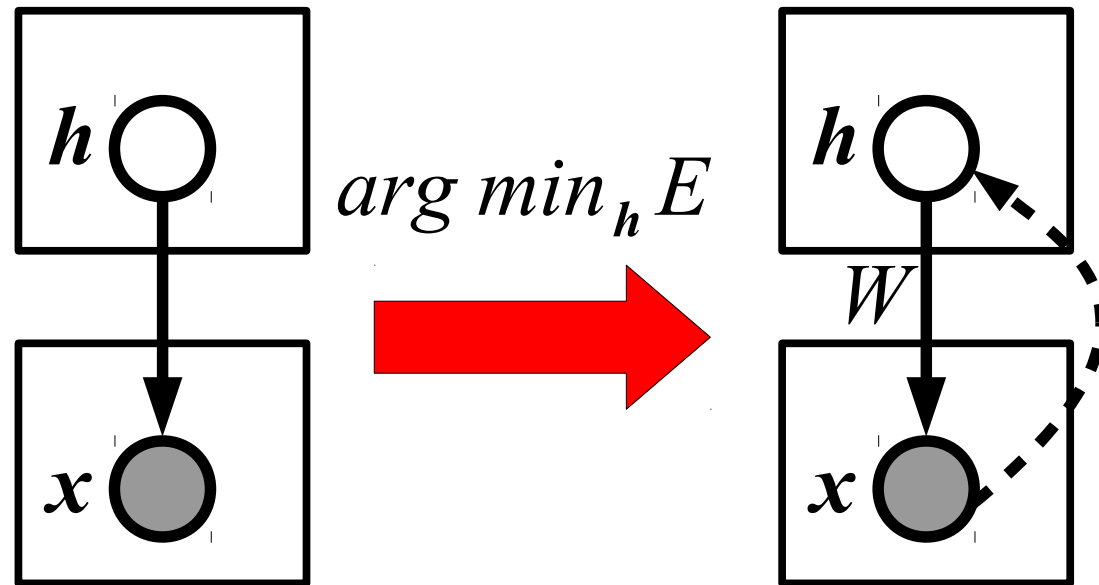
$$L = \tilde{E}(\mathbf{x}; W)$$



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Inference in Sparse Coding

$$E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - W_2 \mathbf{h}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{h}\|_1$$



KEY IDEAS

- Inference can require expensive optimization
- We may approximate exact inference well by using a non-linear function (learn optimal approximation to perform fast inference)
- The original model and the fast predictor can be trained jointly

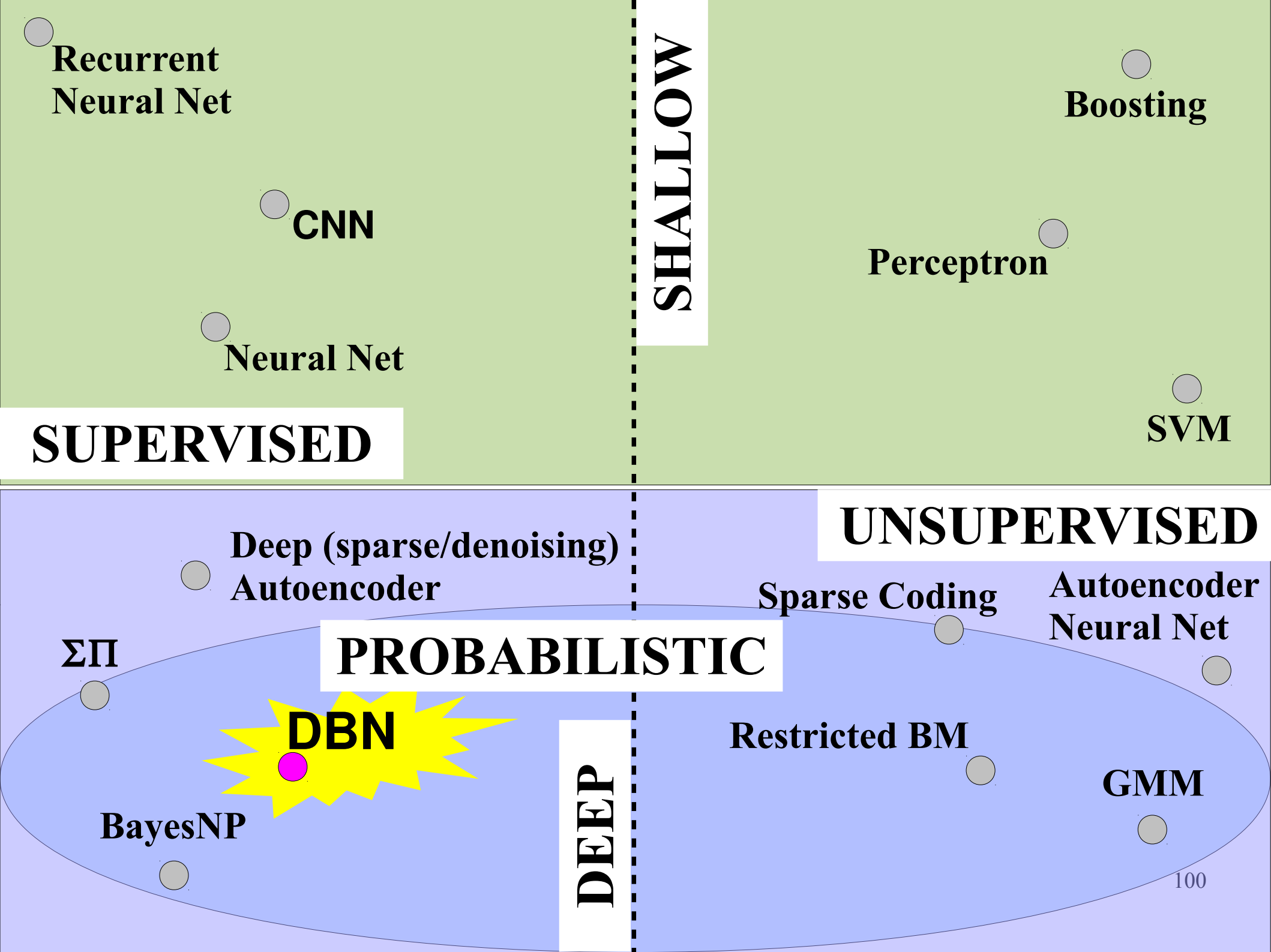
Kavukcuoglu et al. “Predictive Sparse Decomposition” ArXiv 2008

Kavukcuoglu et al. “Learning convolutional feature hierarchies..” NIPS 2010

Gregor et al. “Structured sparse coding via lateral inhibition” NIPS 2011

Szlam et al. “Fast approximations to structured sparse coding...” ECCV 2012

Rolfe et al. “Discriminative Recurrent Sparse Autoencoders” ICLR 2013



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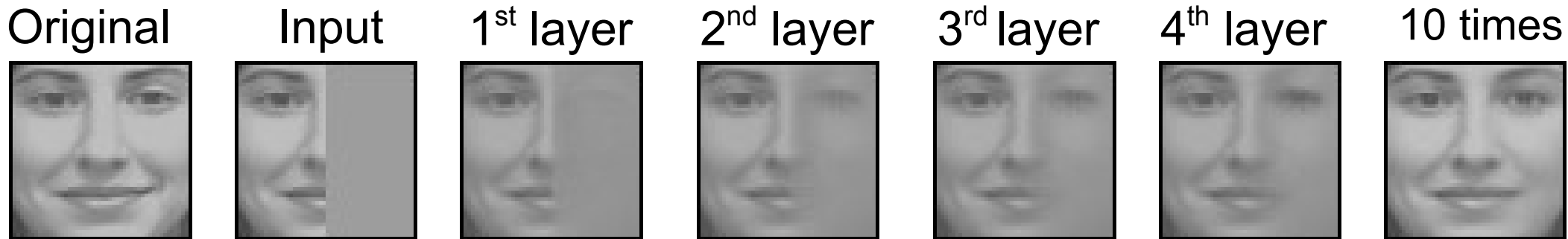
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Sampling After Training on Face Images

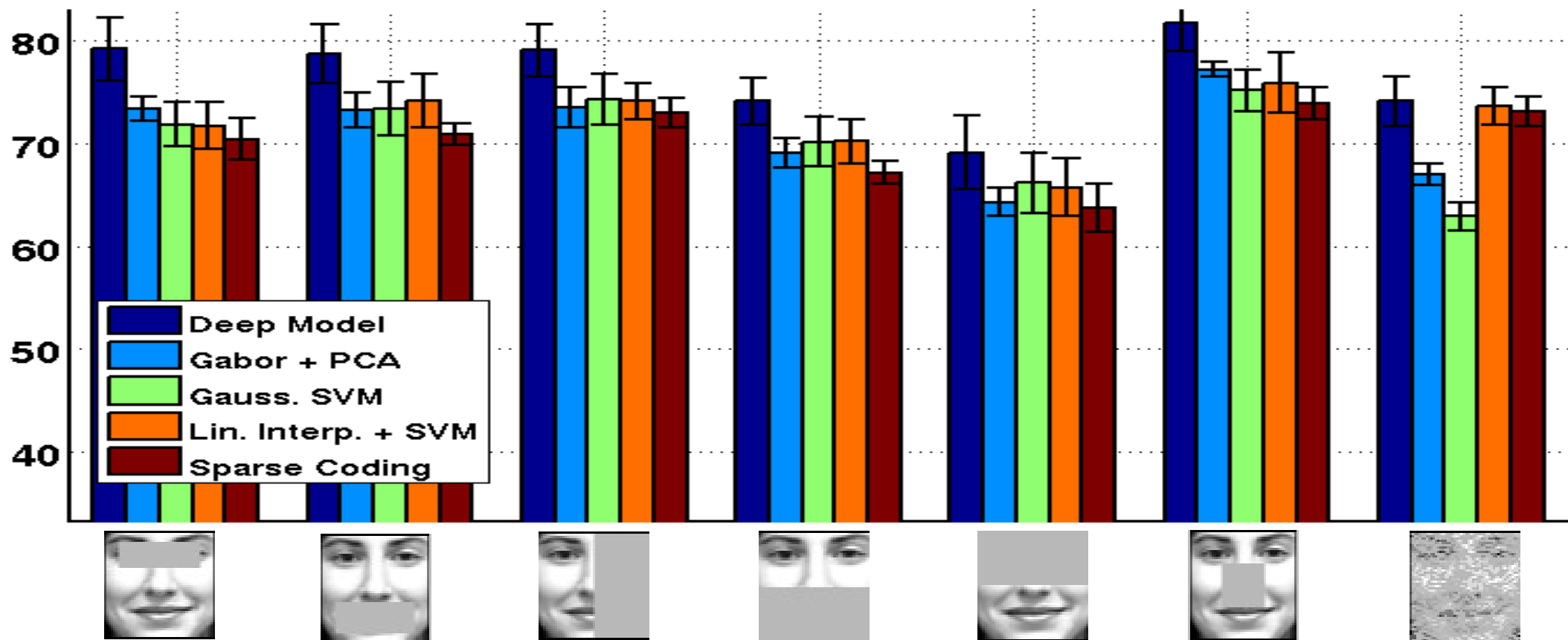


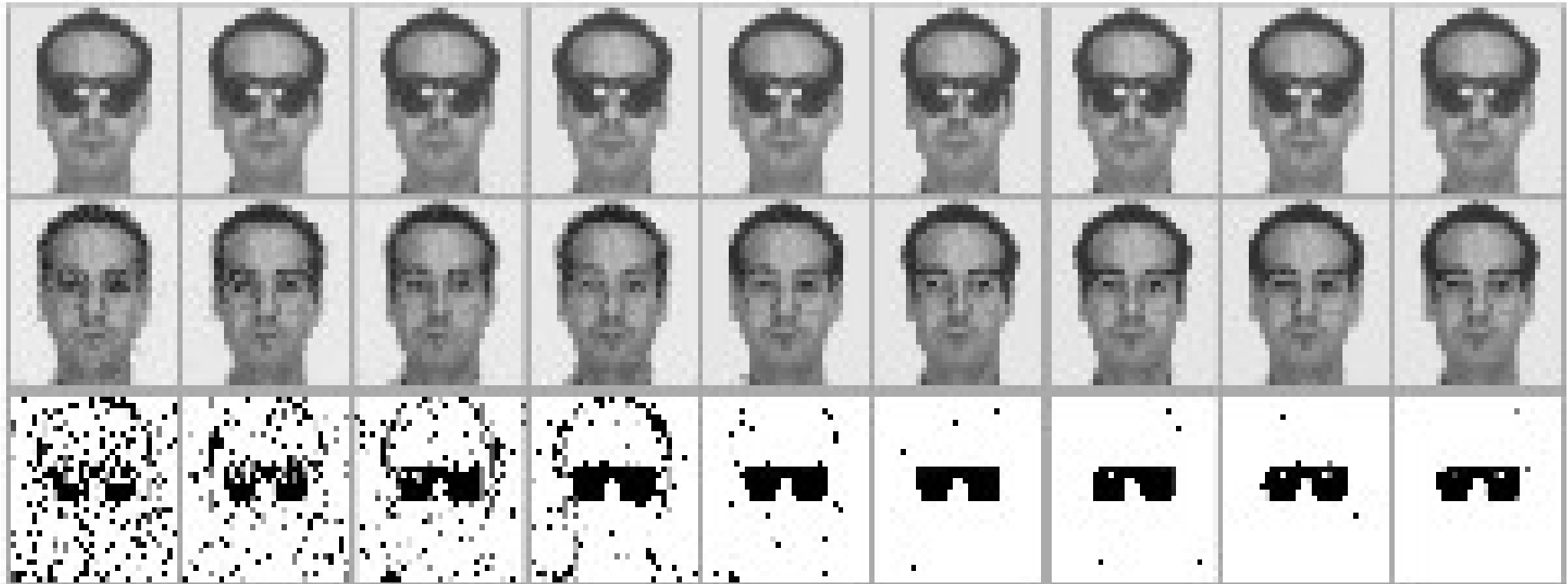
unconstrained samples



conditional (on the left part of the face) samples

Expression Recognition Under Occlusion





1

3

5

7

10

20

30

40

50

Pros

- Feature extraction is fast
- Unprecedented generation quality
- Advances models of natural images
- Trains without labeled data

Cons

- Training is inefficient
 - Slow
 - Tricky
- Sampling scales badly with dimensionality
- What's the use case of generative models?

Conclusion

- If generation is not required, other feature learning methods are more efficient (e.g., sparse auto-encoders).
- What's the use case of generative models?
- Given enough labeled data, unsup. learning methods have not produced more useful features.

RNNs

recurrent neural network handwriting generation demo

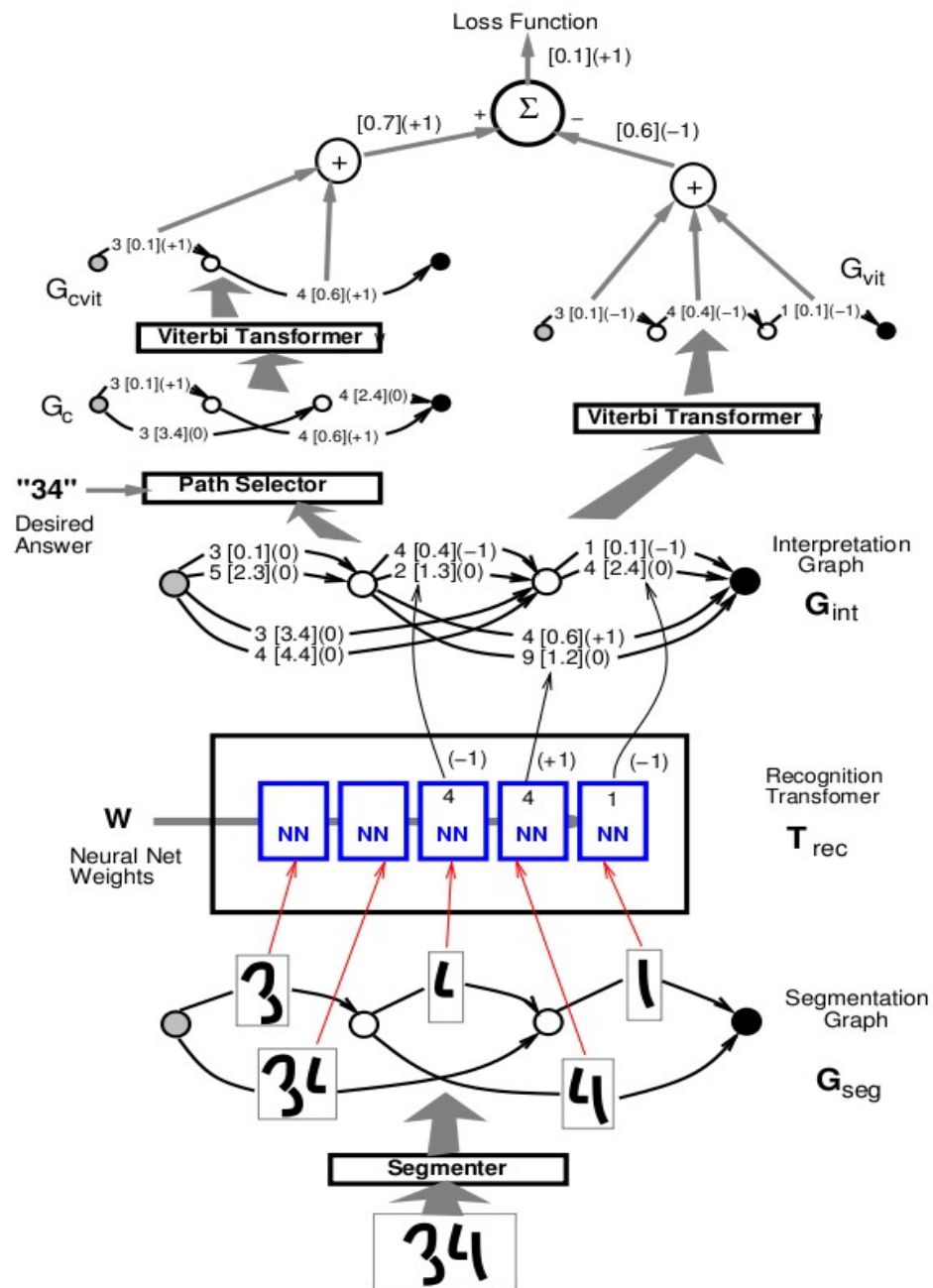
Type a message into the text box, and the network will try to write it out longhand ([this paper](#) explains how it works). Be patient, it can take a while!

Text --- up to 100 characters, lower case letters work best

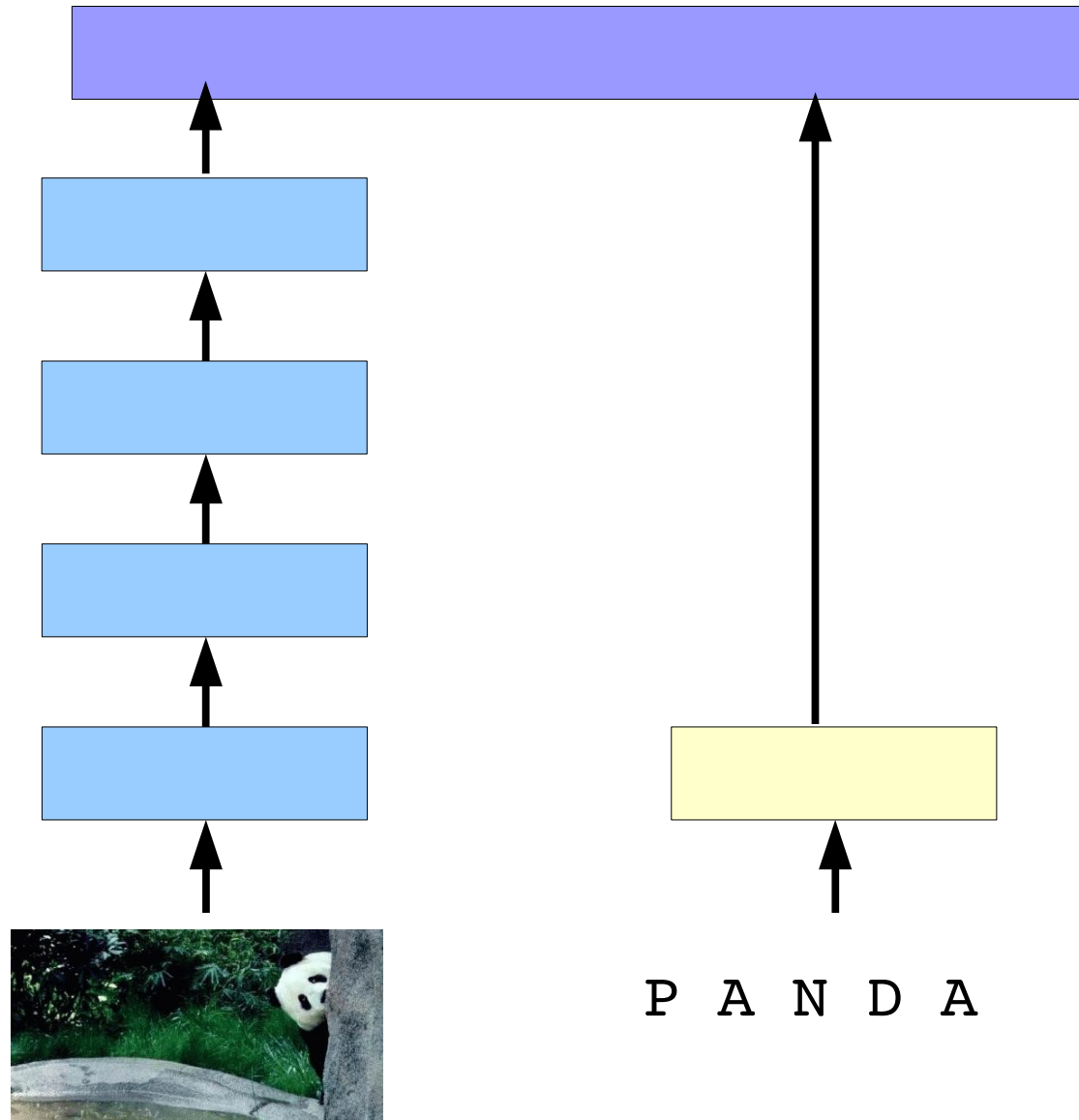
Style --- either let the network choose a writing style at random or prime it with a real sequence to make it mimic that writer's style.

- Take the breath away when they are
- He dismissed the idea
- prison welfare Officer complement
- She looked closely as she
- at Humbercombe is being adapted for
- random style

Structured Prediction



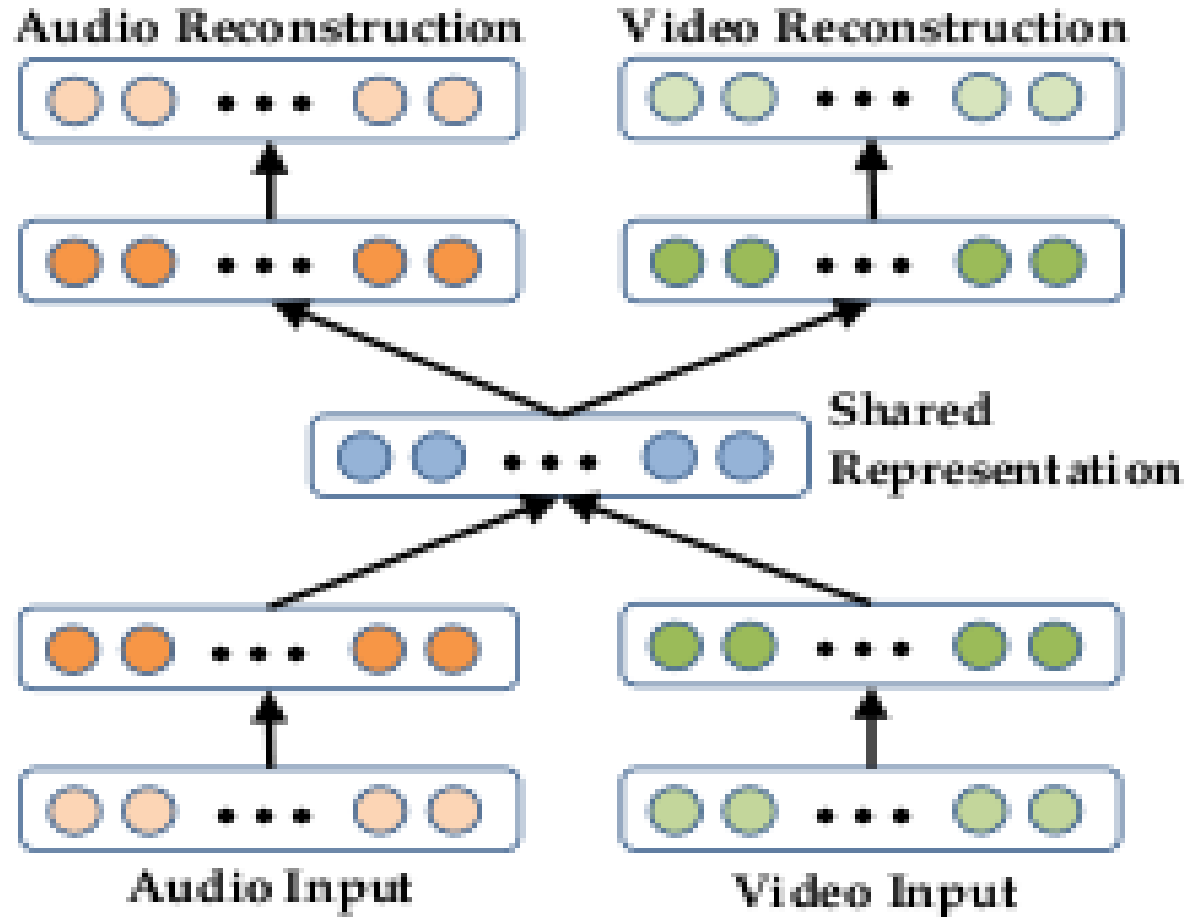
Multi-Modal Learning



Frome et al. "DeVISE: A deep visual semantic embedding model" NIPS 2013

Socher et al. "Zero-shot learning through cross modal transfer" NIPS 2013

Multi-Modal Learning



(b) Bimodal Deep Autoencoder

Ngiam et al. "Multimodal deep learning" ICML 2011

Srivastava et al. "Multi-modal learning with DBM" ICML 2012

SUMMARY

- Deep Learning = Learning Hierarchical representations. Leverage compositionality to gain efficiency.
- Unsupervised learning: active research topic.
- Supervised learning: today it is the most successful set up.
- Optimization
 - Don't we get stuck in local minima? No, they are all the same!
 - In large scale applications, local minima are even less of an issue.
- Scaling
 - GPUs
 - Distributed framework (Google)
 - Better optimization techniques
- Generalization on small datasets (curse of dimensionality):
 - data augmentation
 - weight decay
 - dropout

SOFTWARE

Torch7: learning library that supports neural net training

<http://www.torch.ch>

<http://code.cogbits.com/wiki/doku.php> (tutorial with demos by C. Farabet)

Python-based learning library (U. Montreal)

- <http://deeplearning.net/software/theano/> (does automatic differentiation)

Efficient CUDA kernels for ConvNets (Krizhevsky)

– code.google.com/p/cuda-convnet

Caffe (Yangqing Jia)

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