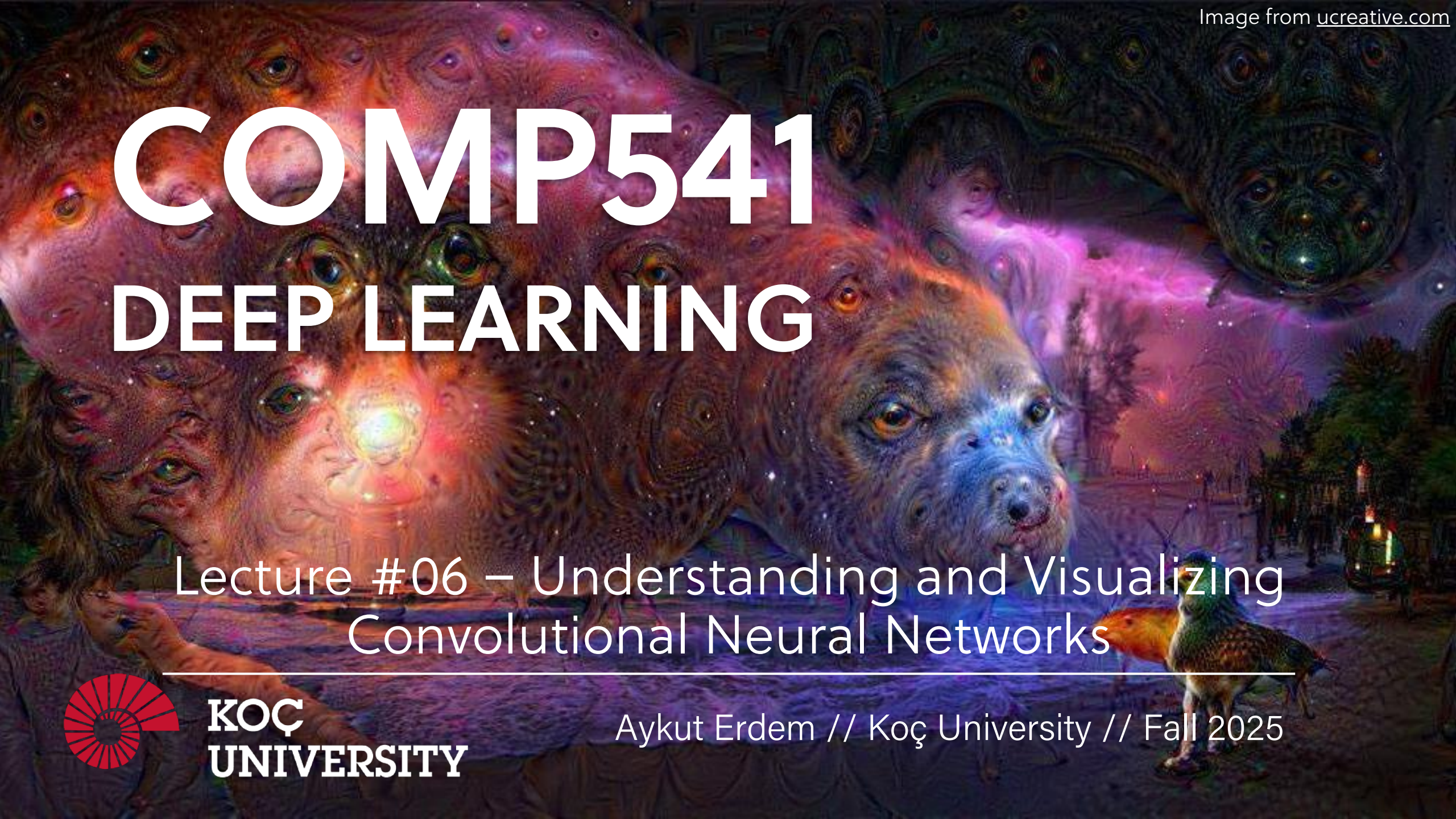

COMP541
DEEP LEARNING

Lecture #06 – Understanding and Visualizing Convolutional Neural Networks

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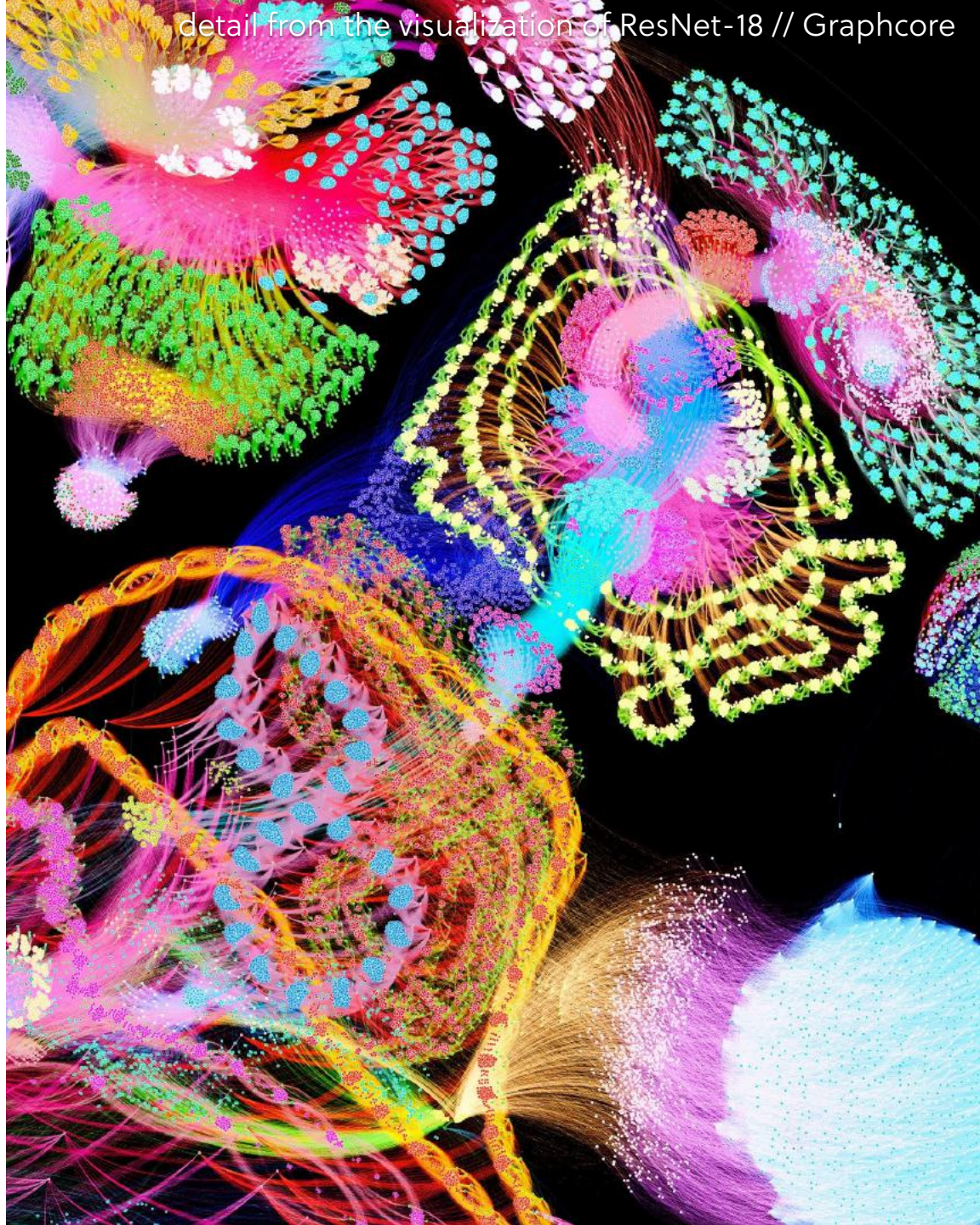
Previously on COMP541

- convolution layer
- pooling layer
- revolution of depth
- design guidelines
- residual connections
- semantic segmentation networks
- addressing other tasks

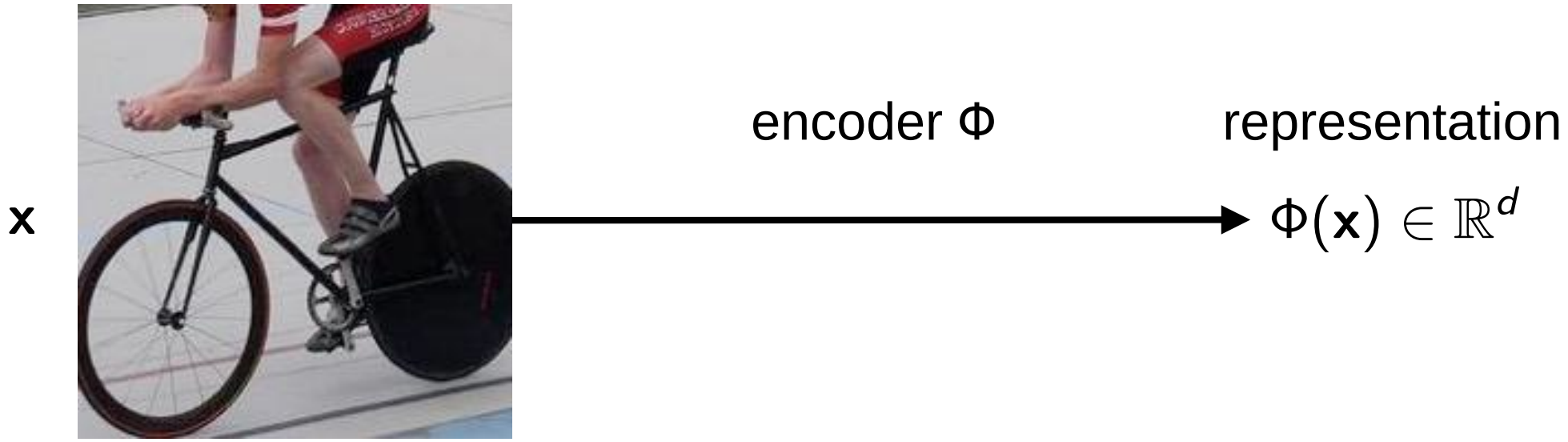

detail from the visualization of ResNet-18 // Graphcore

Lecture Overview

- more on transfer learning
- visualizing neuron activations
- visualizing class activations
- pre-images
- adversarial examples
- adversarial training

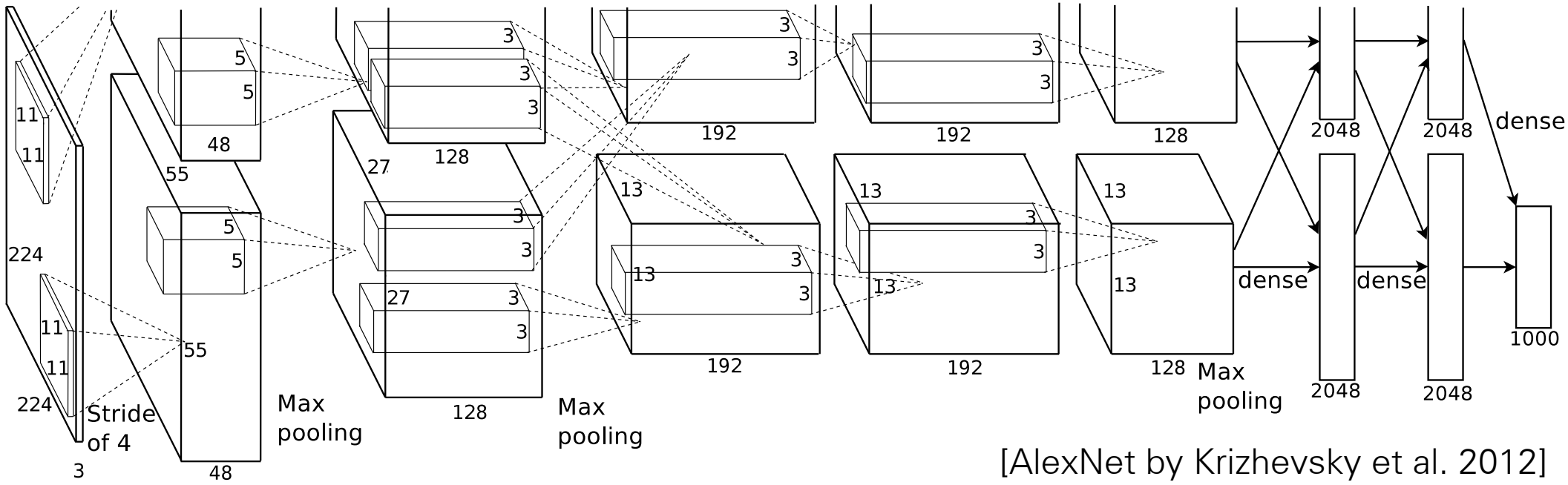
Disclaimer: Much of the material and slides for this lecture were borrowed from
—Andrea Vedaldi's tutorial on Understanding Visual Representations
—Wojciech Samek's talk on Towards explainable Deep Learning
—Efstratios Gavves and Max Willing's UvA deep learning class
—Fei-Fei Li, Justin Johnson and Serana Yeung's CS231n class
—Ian Goodfellow's talk on Adversarial Examples and Adversarial Training
—Justin Johnson's EECS 498/598 class

Image Representations



- An **encoder** maps the data into a **vectorial representation**
- Facilitate labelling of images, text, sound, videos, ...

Modern Convolutional Nets



[AlexNet by Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

Excellent **performance** in most image understanding tasks

Learn a sequence of **general-purpose representations**

Millions of parameters learned from data

The "**meaning**" of the representation is unclear

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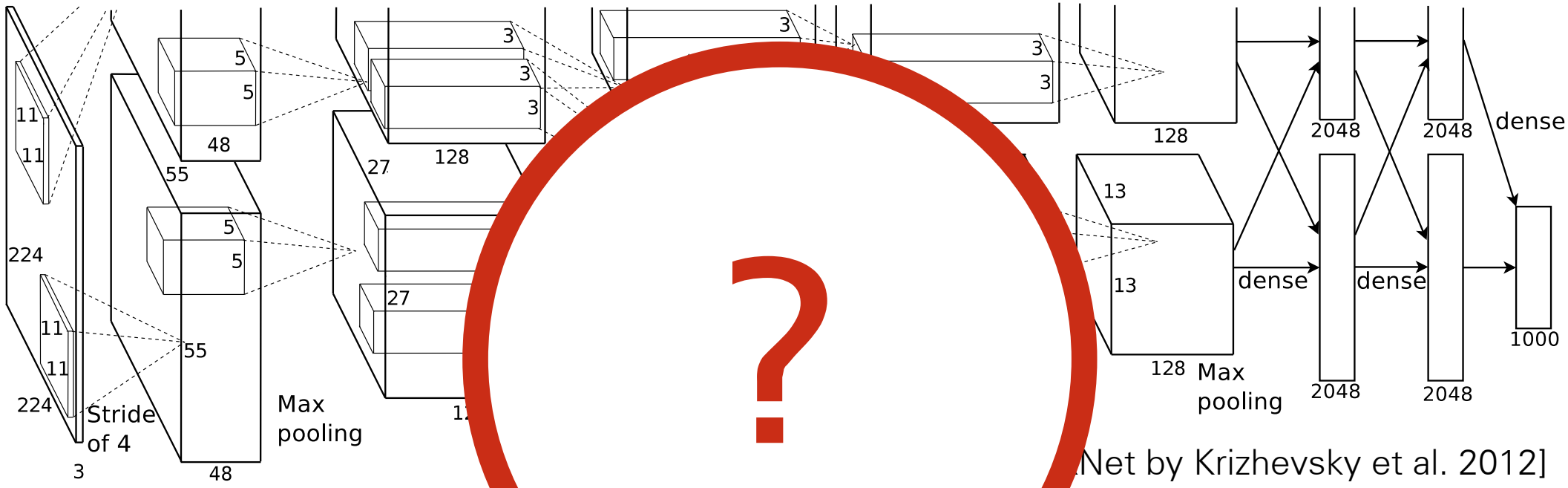

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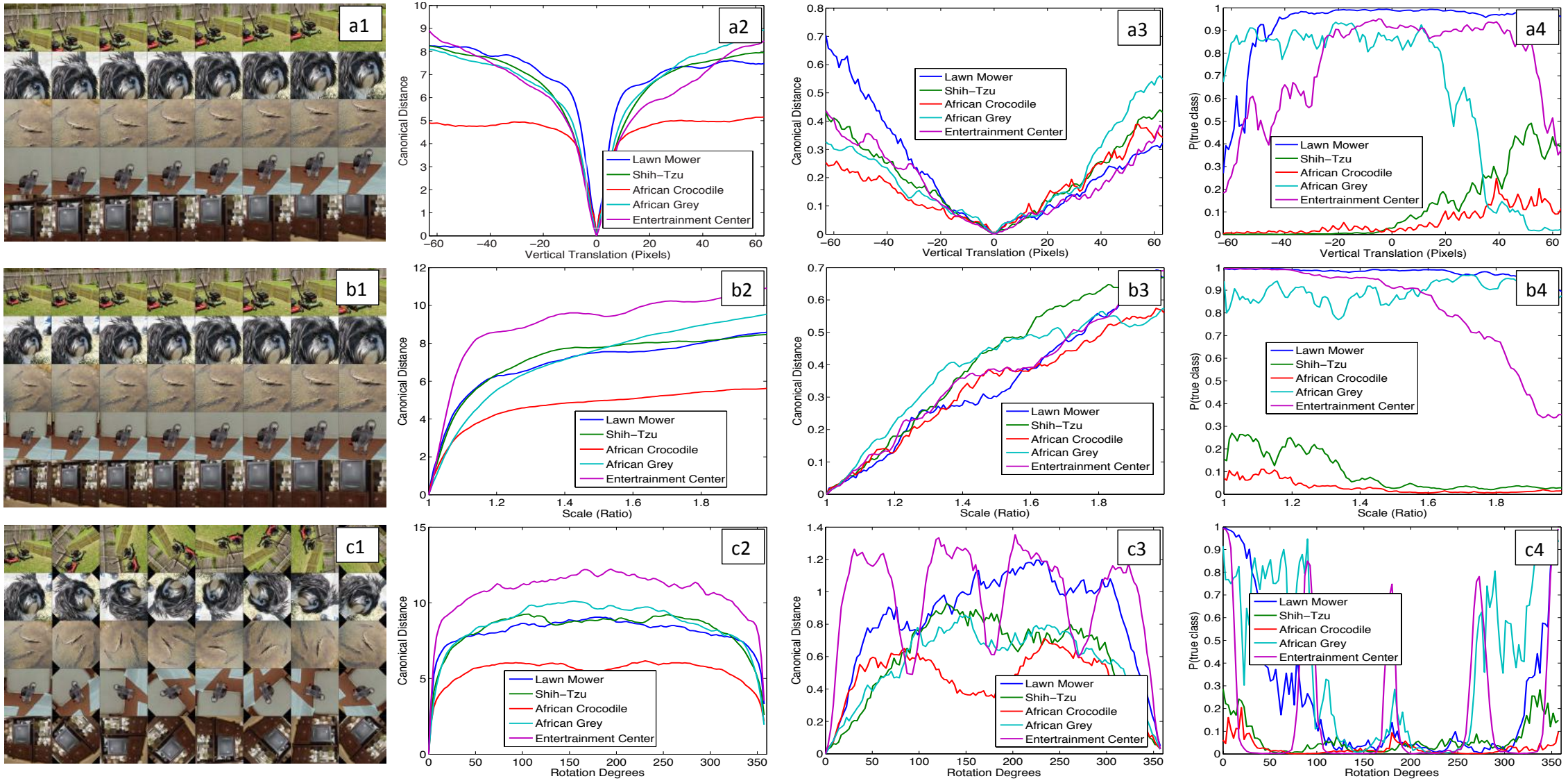
Transfer Learning with Deep Networks

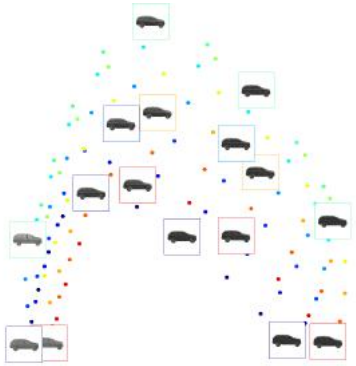
Invariance and Covariance



Layer 1 Layer 7 Probability Score

Matthew D. Zeiler, Rob Fergus. **Visualizing and Understanding Convolutional Networks**. arXiv 2013.

Filter Invariance and Equivariance



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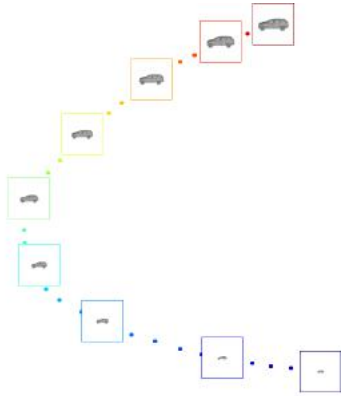

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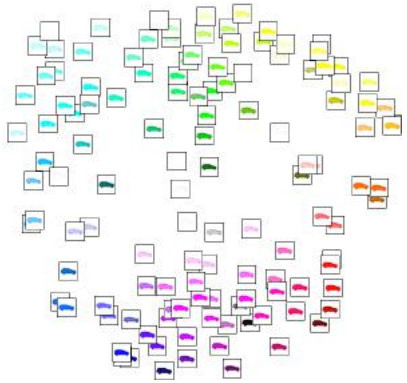

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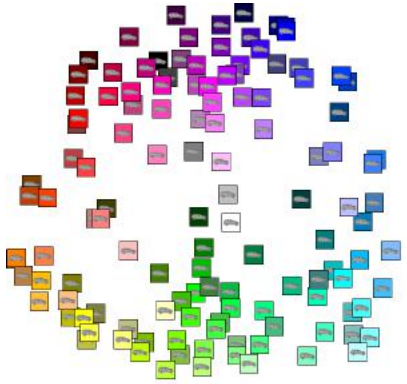

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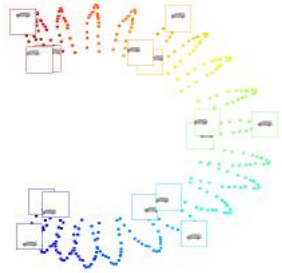

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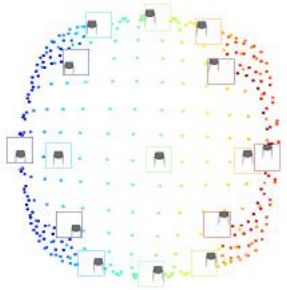
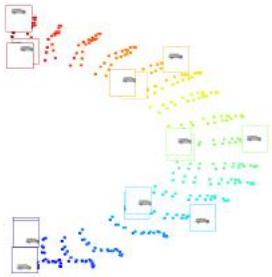


(b) Chair, pool5



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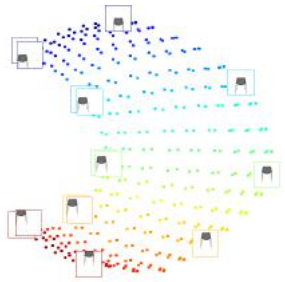

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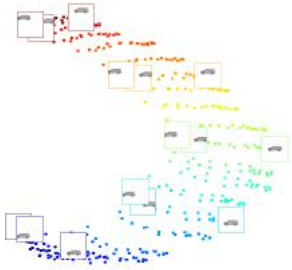

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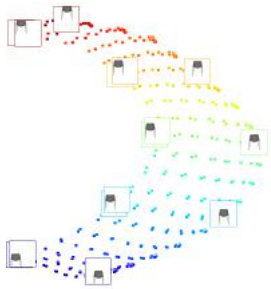

(f) Chair, fc7

- Filters learn how different variances affect appearance
- Different layers and different hierarchies focus on different transformations
- For different objects filters reproduce different behaviors

		pool5	fc6	fc7
Viewpoint	Places	26.8 % 8.5	21.4 % 7.0	17.8 % 5.9
	AlexNet	26.4 % 8.3	19.4 % 7.2	15.6 % 6.0
	VGG	21.2 % 10.0	16.4 % 7.7	12.3 % 6.2
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	VGG	26.4 % 181.9	44.3 % 136.3	56.2 % 94.2
Δ^L	Places	46.8 %	39.5 %	32.9 %
	AlexNet	45.0 %	40.3 %	35.0 %
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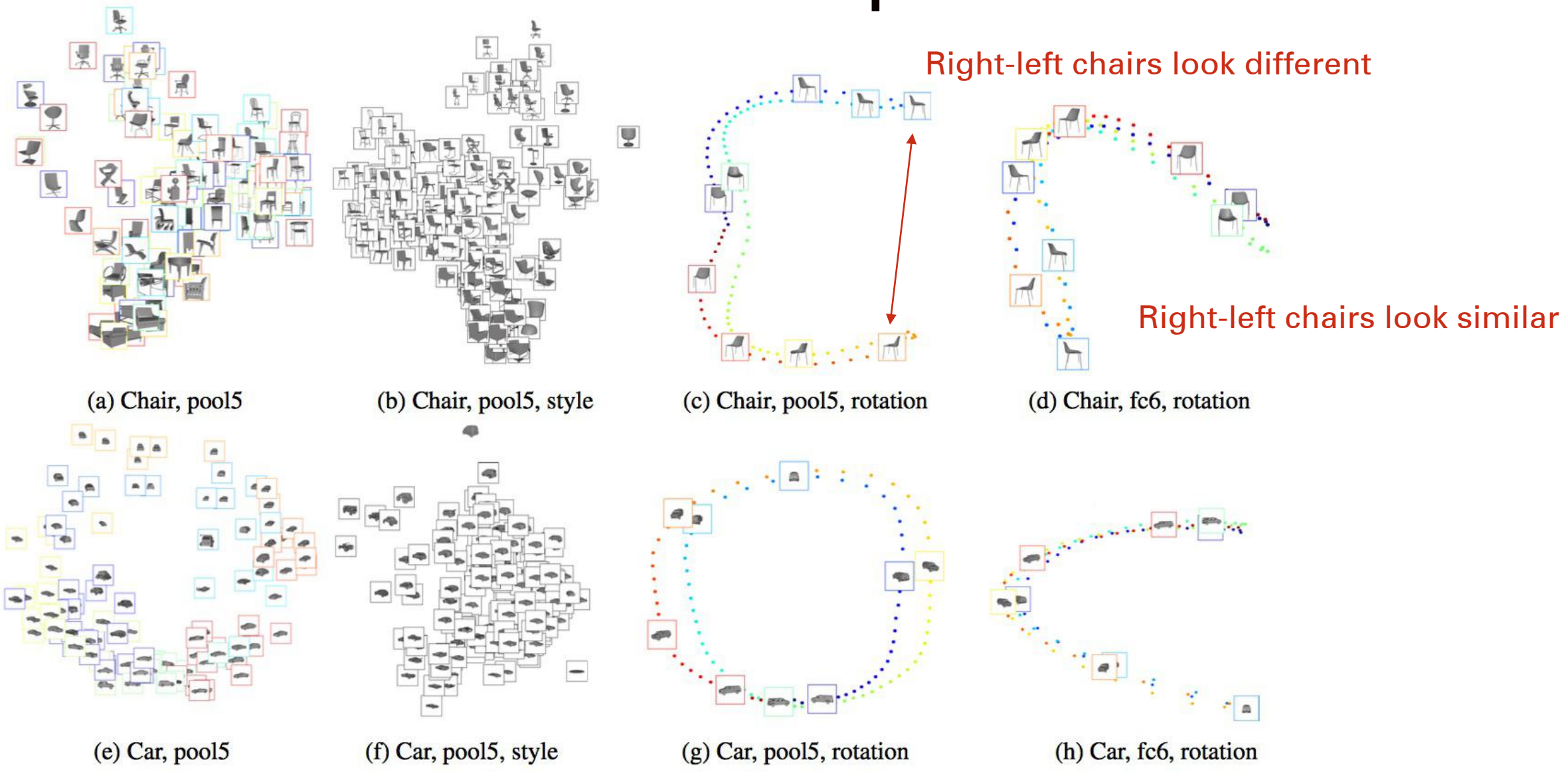

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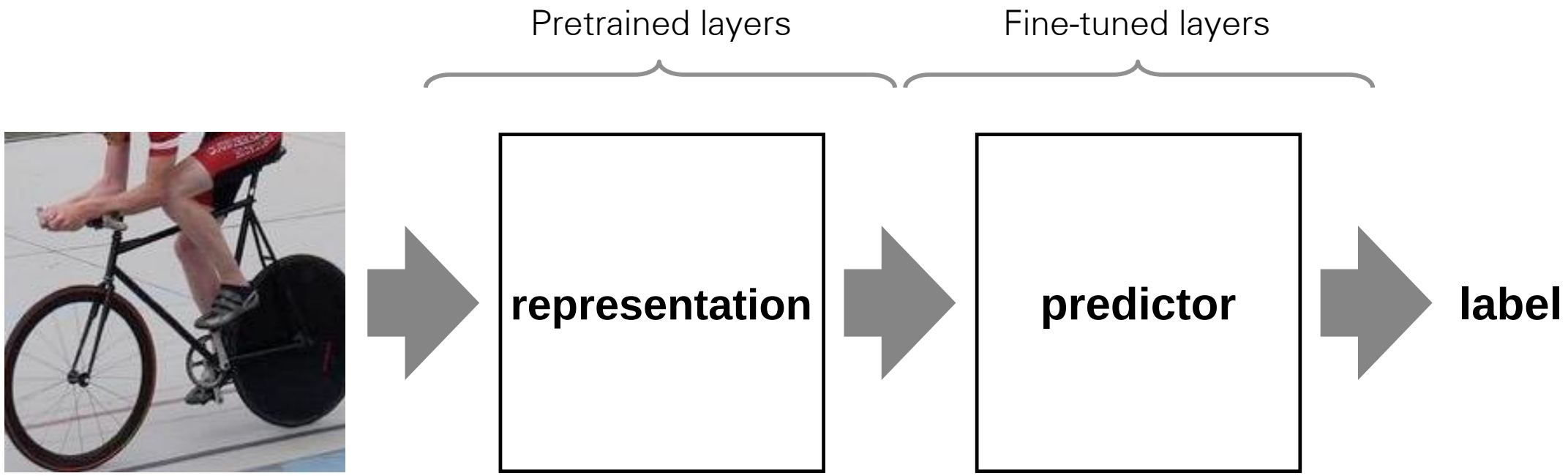
Pre-training and Transfer Learning

[Evaluations in A. S. Razavian, 2014, Chatfield et al., 2014]



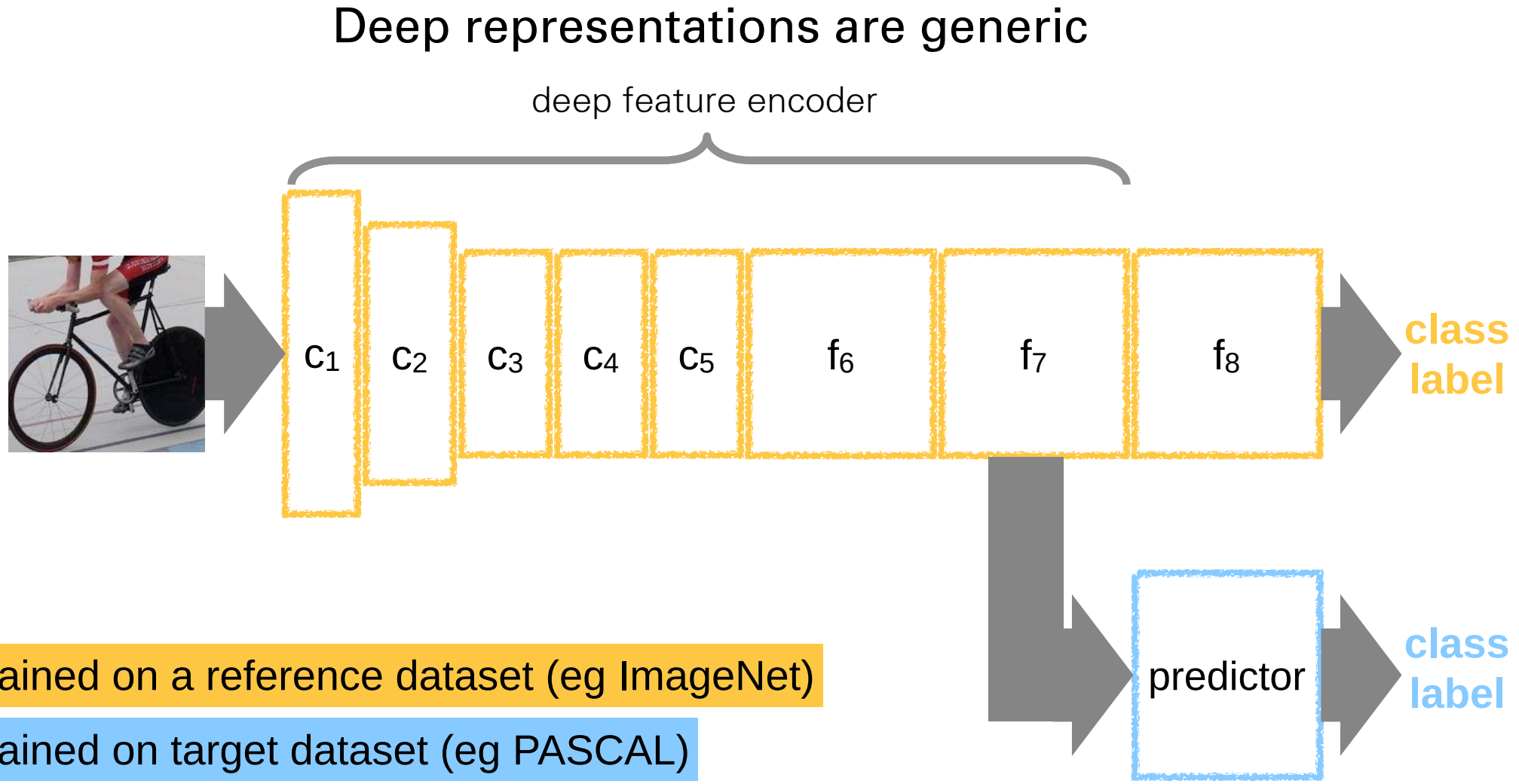
CNN as universal representations

- First several layers in most CNNs are generic
- They can be reused when training data is comparatively scarce.

Application

- Pre-train on ImageNet classification 1M images
- Cut at some deep conv or FC layer to get features

Transfer Learning

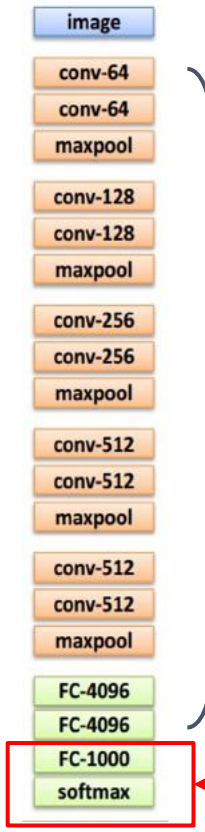


- A general-purpose deep encoder is obtained by chopping off the last layers of a CNN trained on a large dataset.

Transfer Learning with CNNs

- Keep layers 1-7 of our ImageNet-trained model fixed
- Train a new softmax classifier on top using the training images of the new dataset.

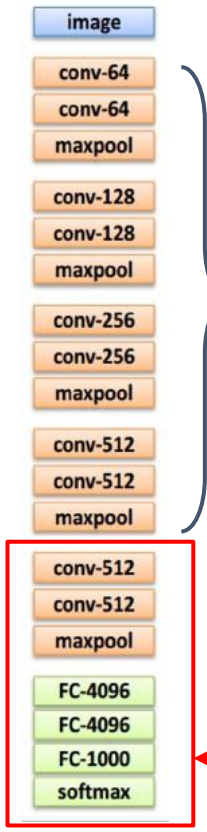
1. Train on Imagenet



2. Small dataset: feature extractor

Freeze these

Train this



3. Medium dataset: finetuning

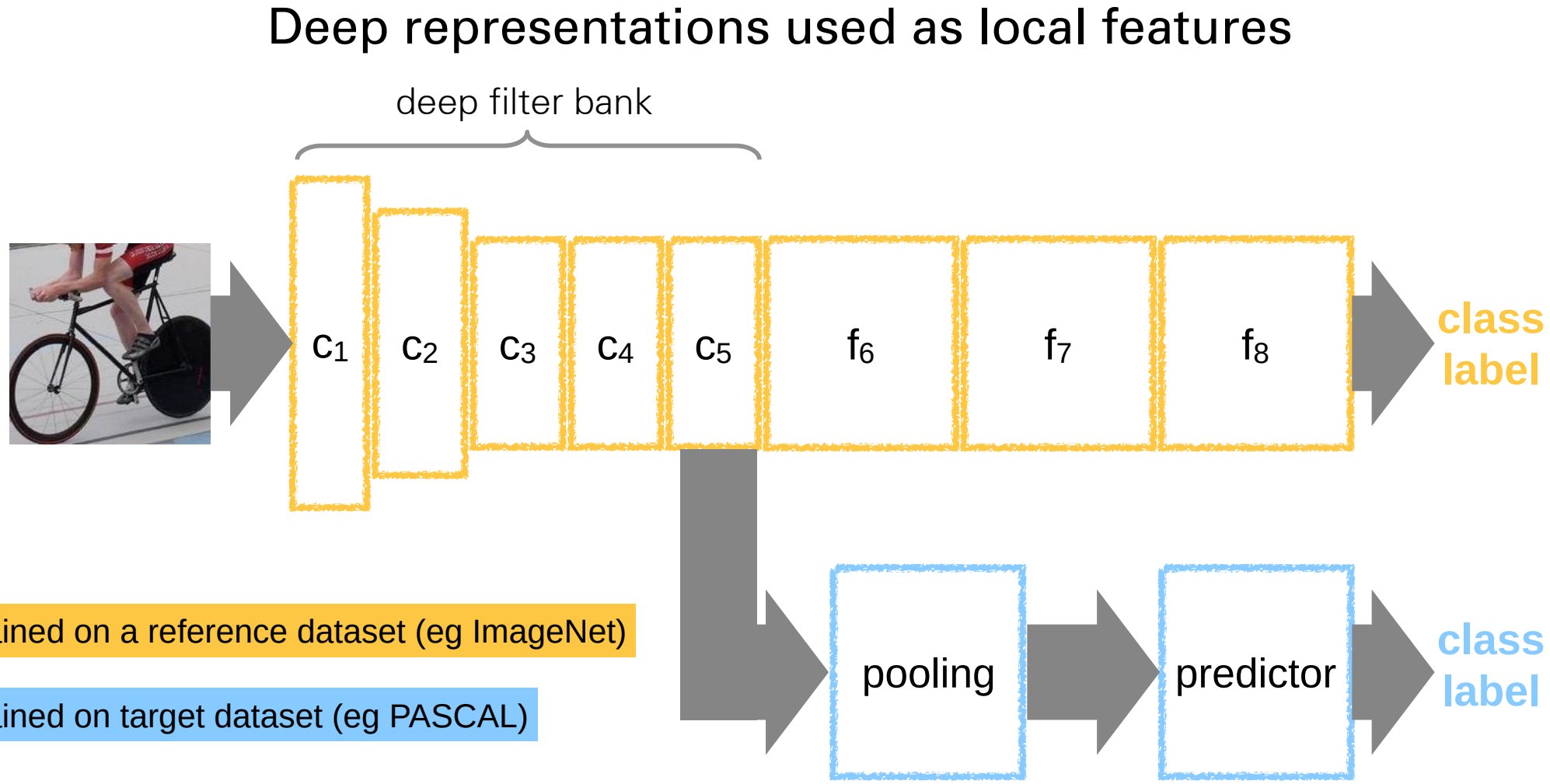
more data = retrain more of the network (or all of it)

Freeze these

tip: use only ~1/10th of the original learning rate in finetuning top layer, and ~1/100th on intermediate layers

Train this

CNNs as Filter Banks

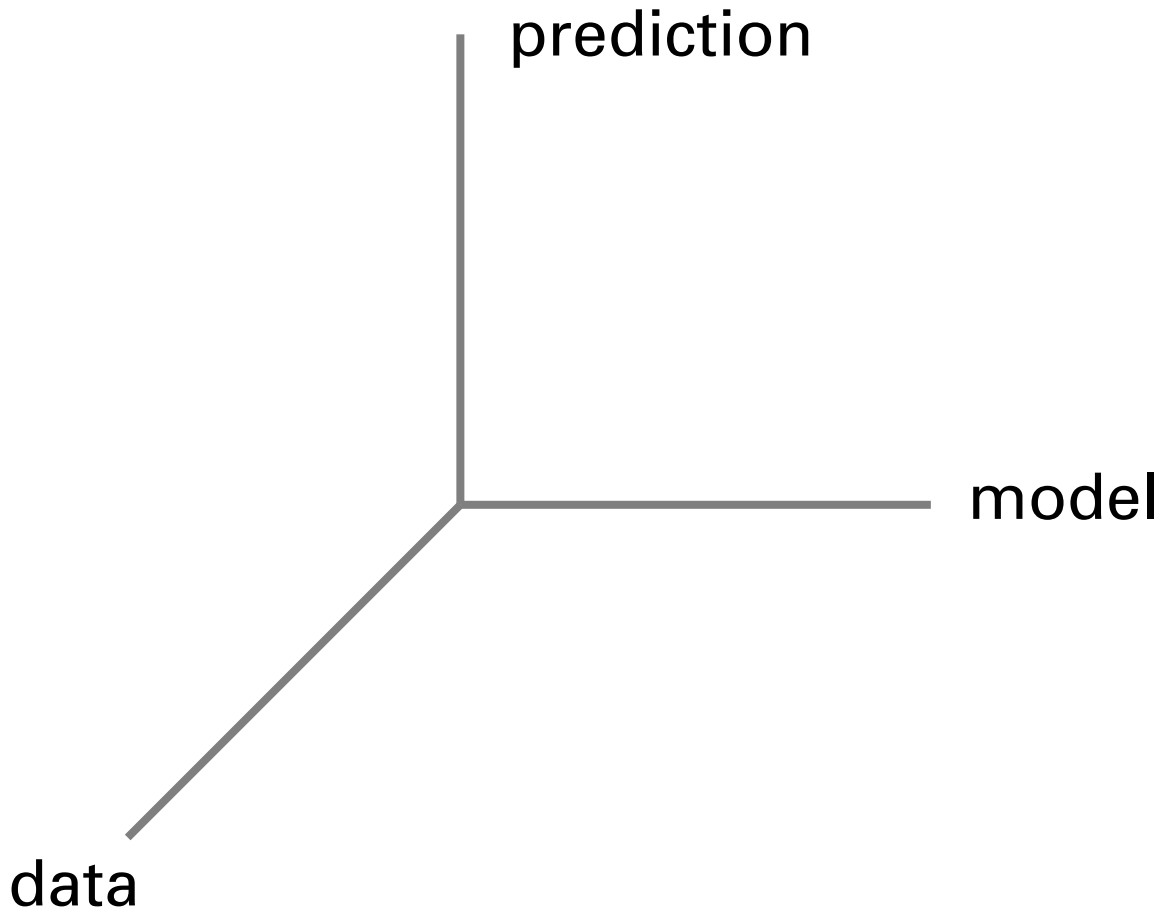


- In R-CNN and similar models, the most important shared component are the convolutional features.

Interpretability

Dimensions of Interpretation

Different dimensions of “interpretability”

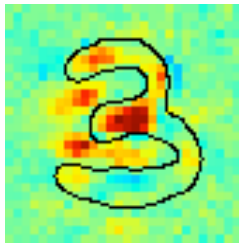


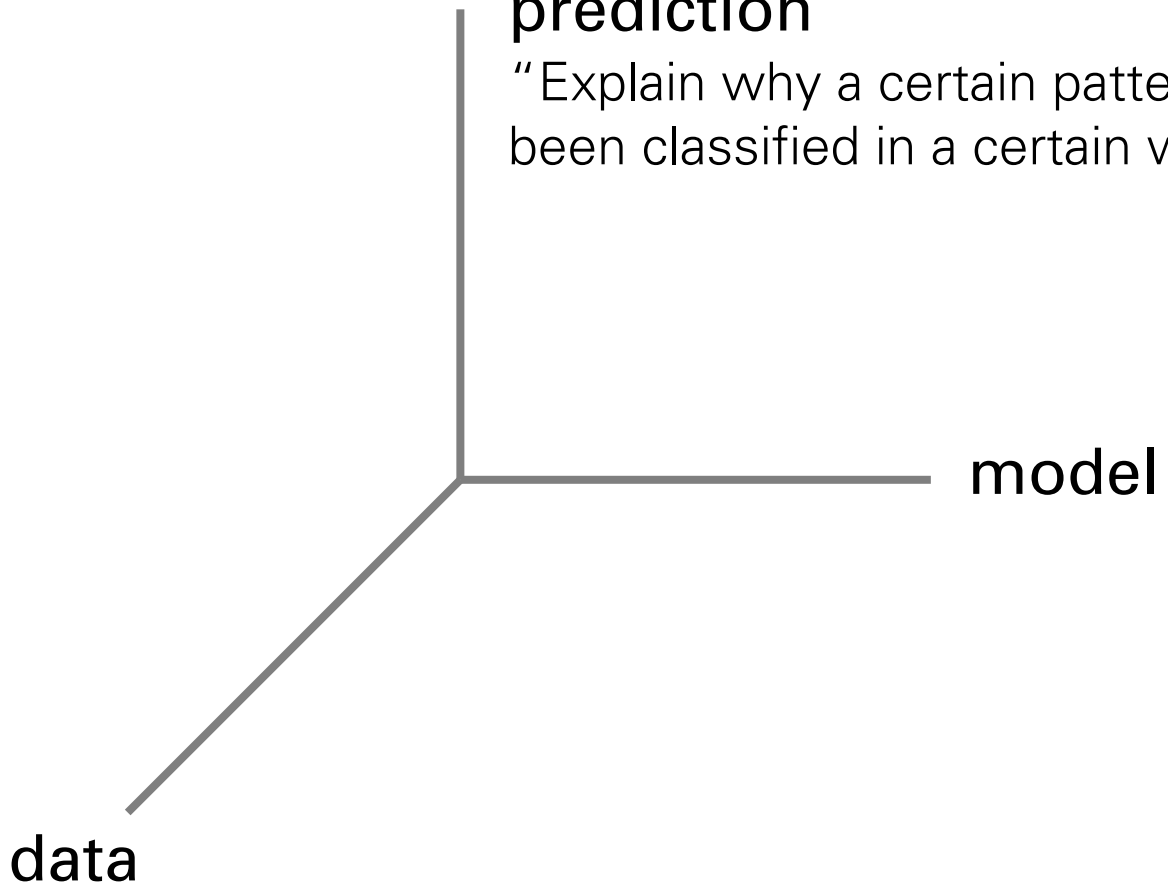
Dimensions of Interpretation

Different dimensions of "interpretability"

prediction

"Explain why a certain pattern x has been classified in a certain way f(x)."





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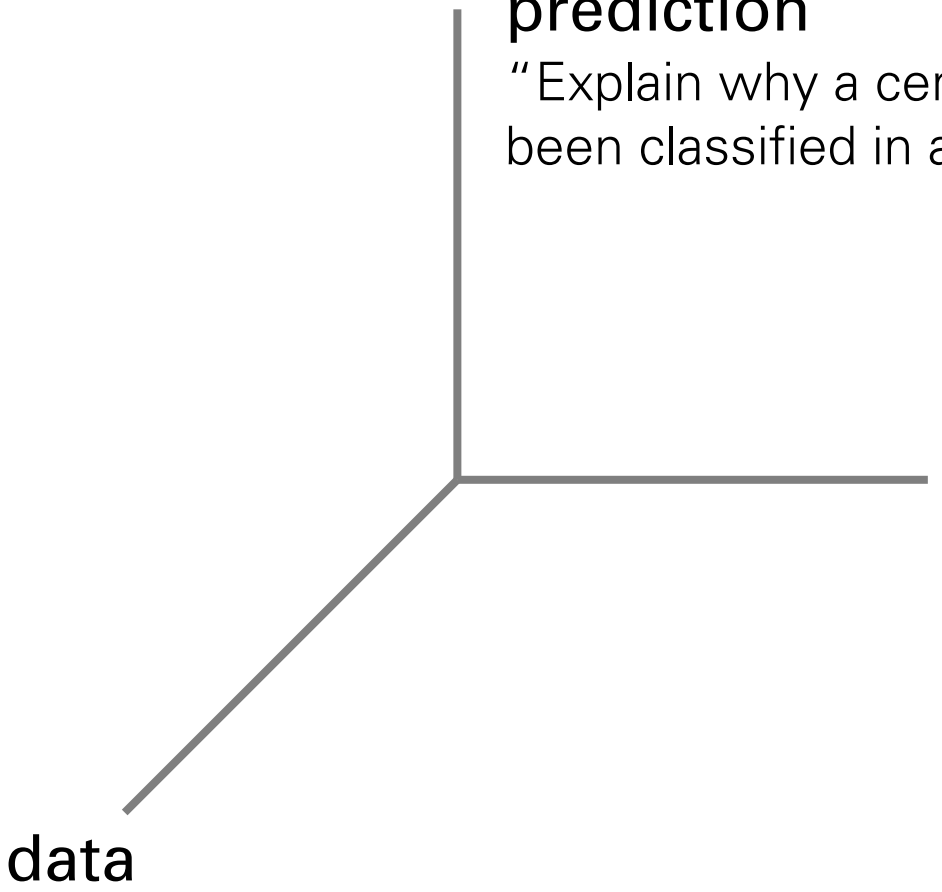

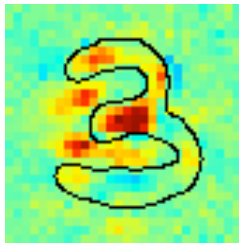

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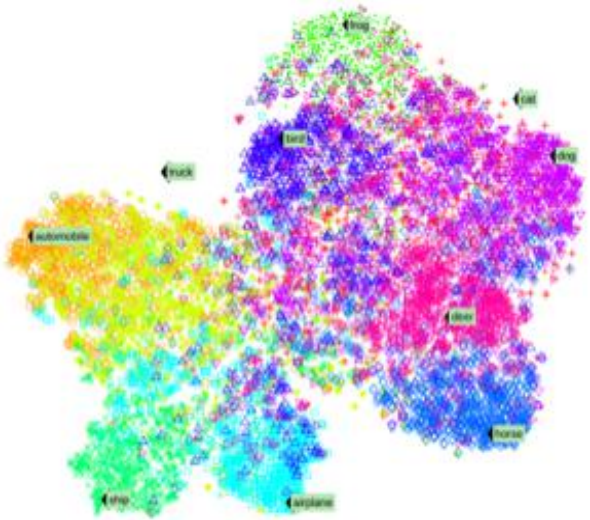

data

"Which dimensions of the data are most relevant for the task."

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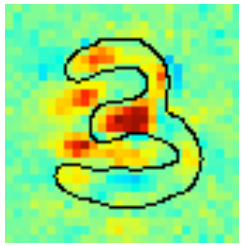


model

"What would a pattern belonging to a certain category typically look like according to the model."

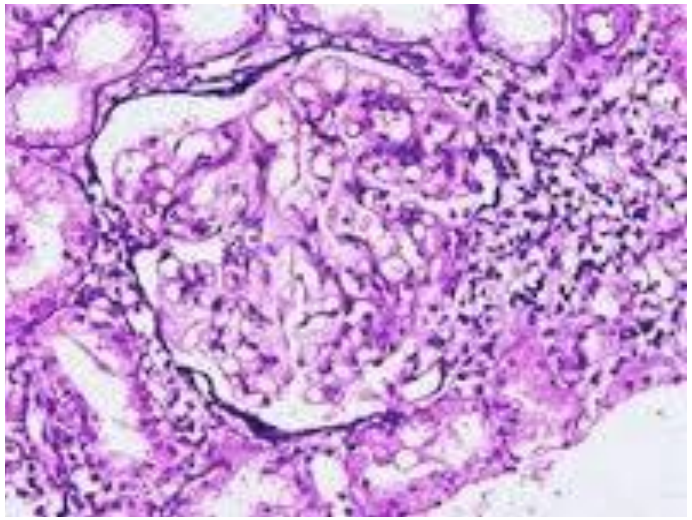
Why Interpretability?

1) Verify that classifier works as expected

Wrong decisions can be costly and dangerous

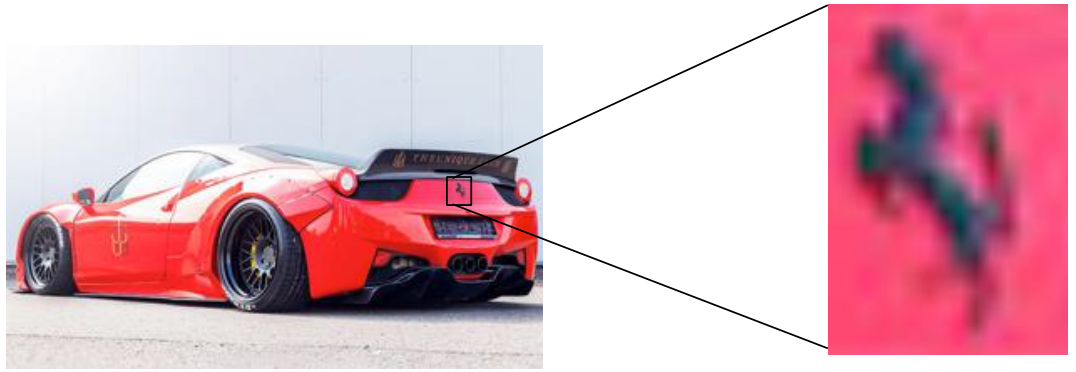
"Autonomous car crashes,
because it wrongly recognizes ..."

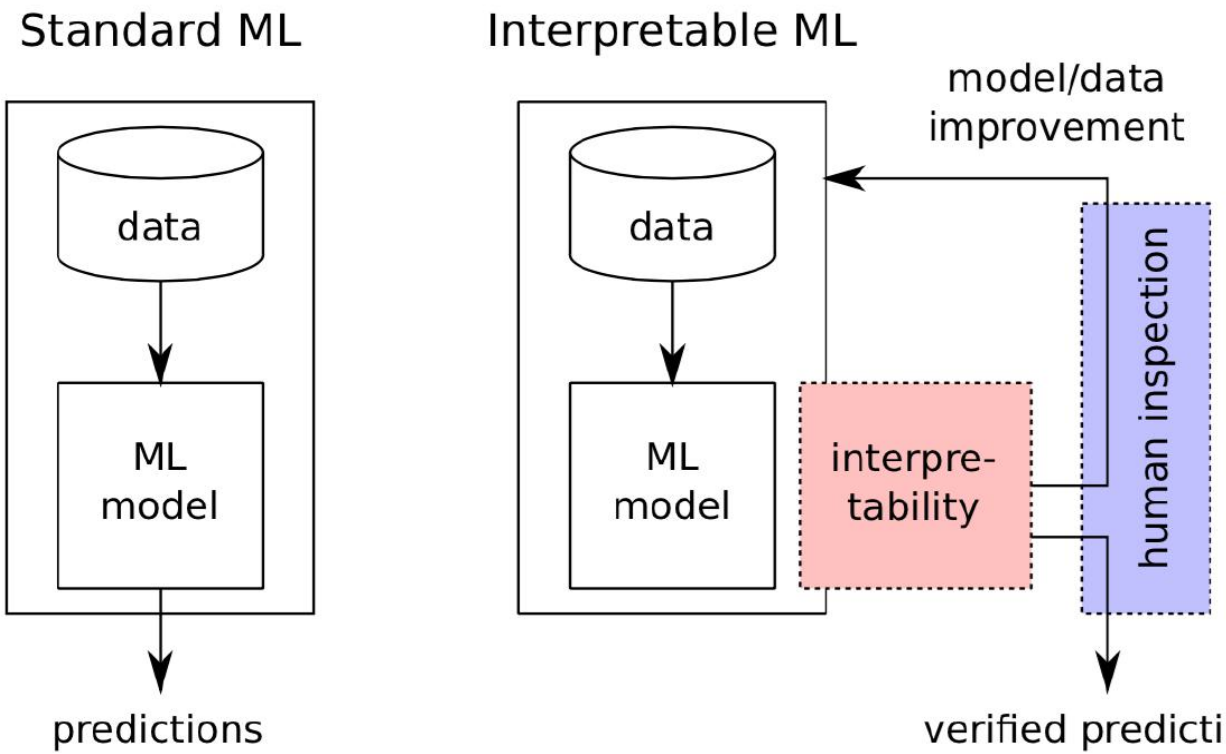
"AI medical diagnosis system
misclassifies patient's disease ..."



Why Interpretability?

2) Improve classifier





Generalization error

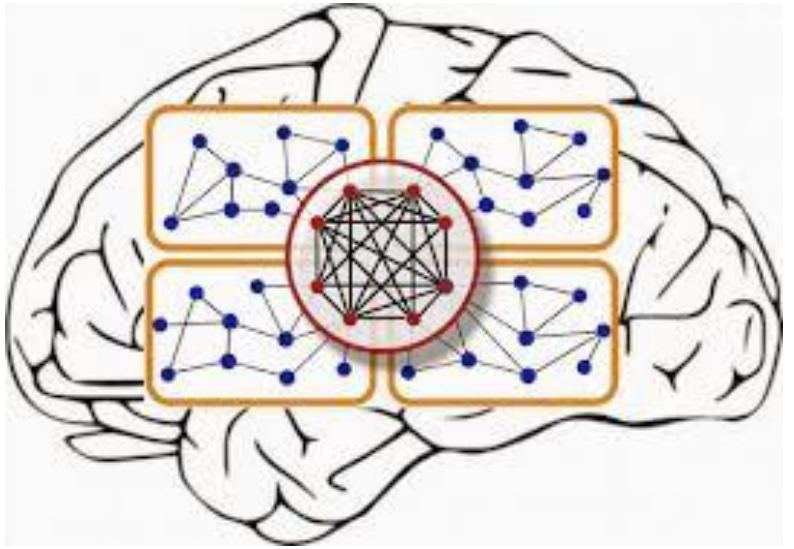
Generalization error + human experience

Why Interpretability?

3) Learn from the learning machine

"It's not a human move. I've never seen a human play this move." (Fan Hui)

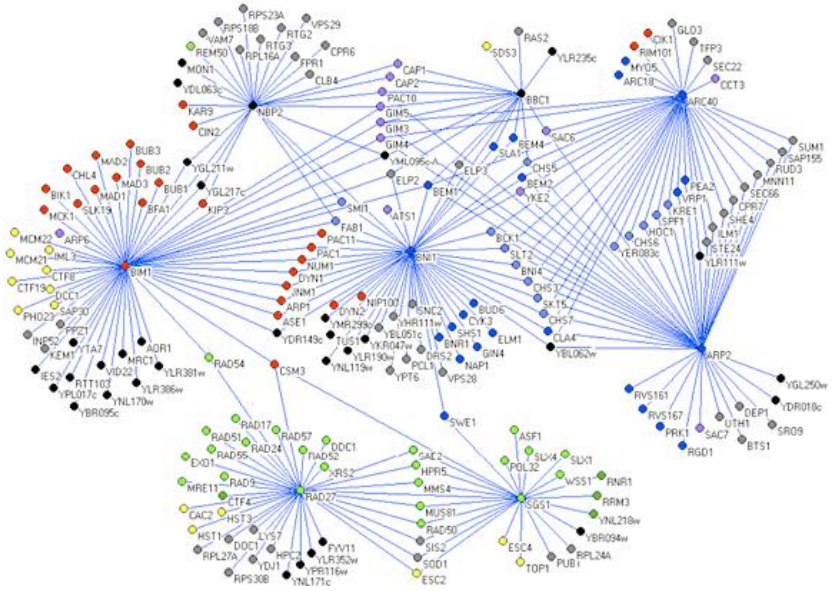
Old promise:
"Learn about the human brain."

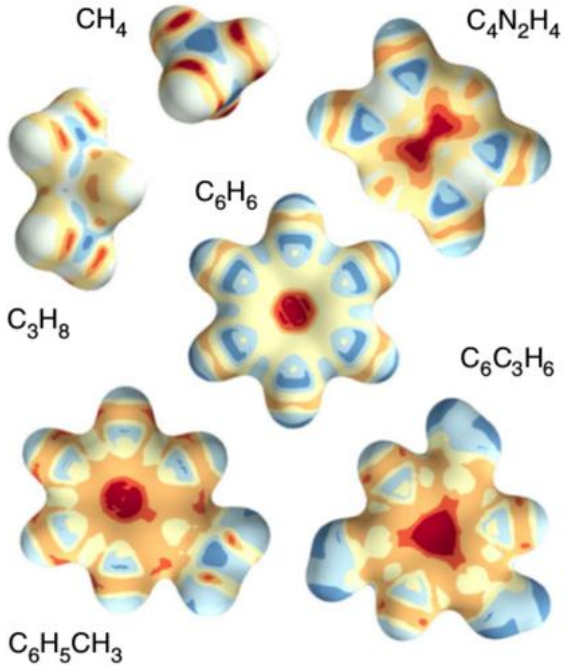


Why Interpretability?

4) Interpretability in the sciences

Learn about the physical / biological / chemical mechanisms.
(e.g. find genes linked to cancer, identify binding sites ...)





Why Interpretability?

5) Compliance to legislation

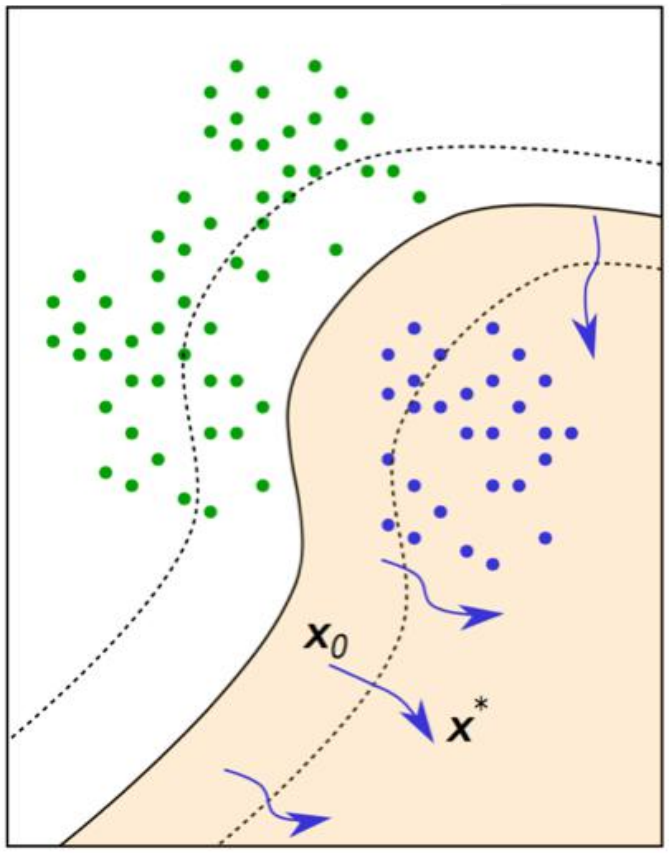
European Union's new General Data Protection Regulation → "right to explanation"

Retain human decision in order to assign responsibility.

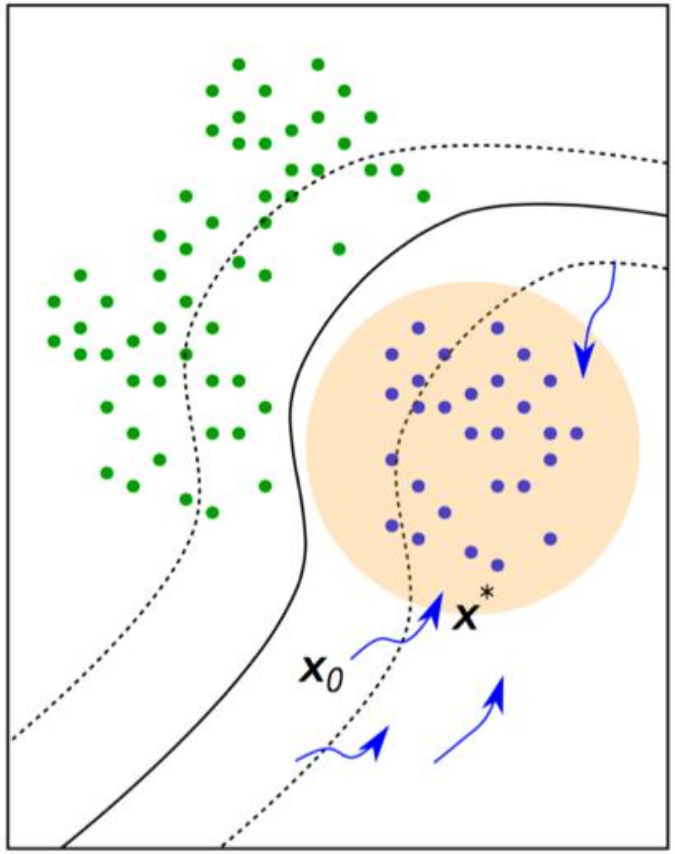
"With interpretability we can ensure that ML models work in compliance to proposed legislation."

Dimensions of Interpretation

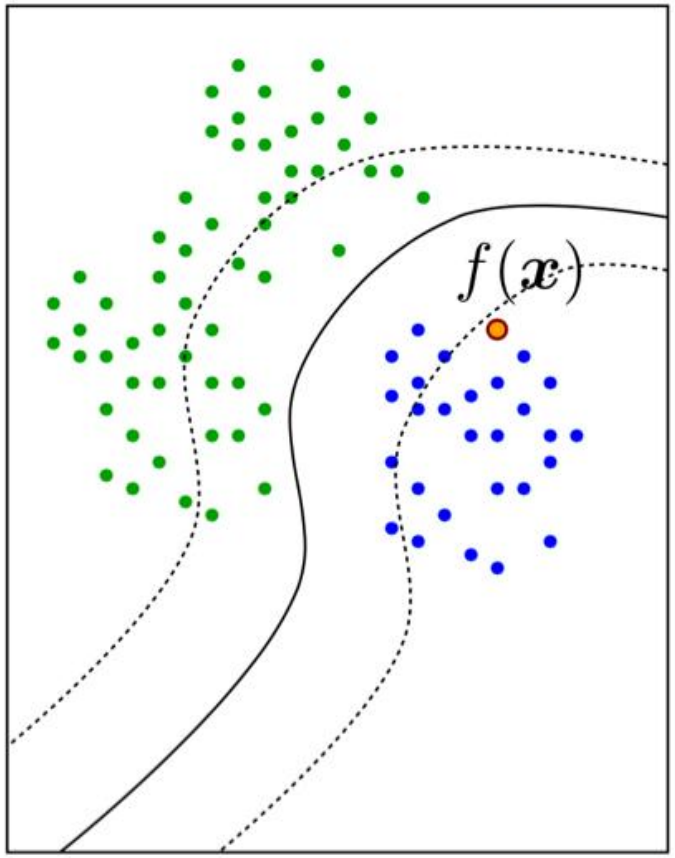
model analysis → **decision analysis**



Find the input pattern that maximizes class probability.



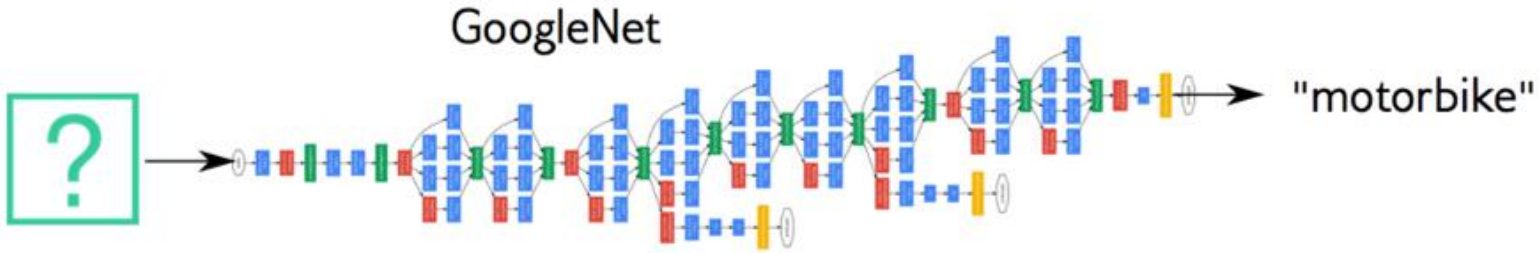
Find the most likely input pattern for a given class.



Explain individual prediction.

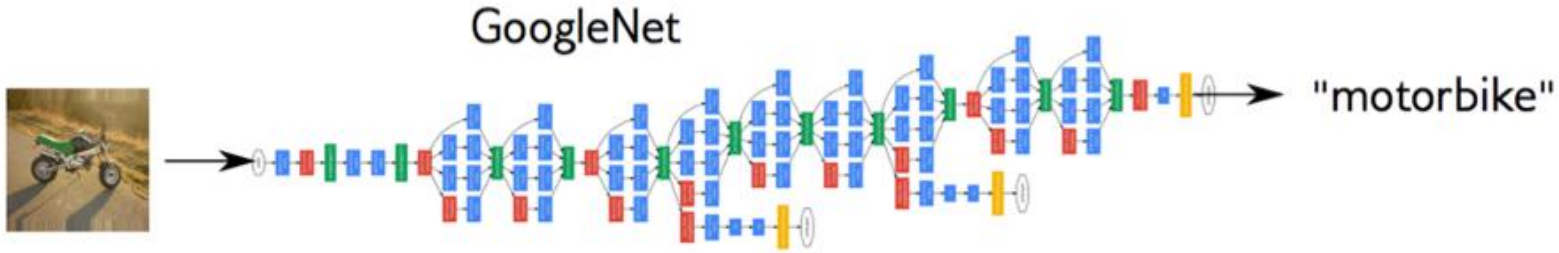
Dimensions of Interpretation

- **Finding a prototype:**



Question: How does a "motorbike" typically look like

- **Individual explanation:**



Question: Why is this example classified as motorbike?

Some Approaches

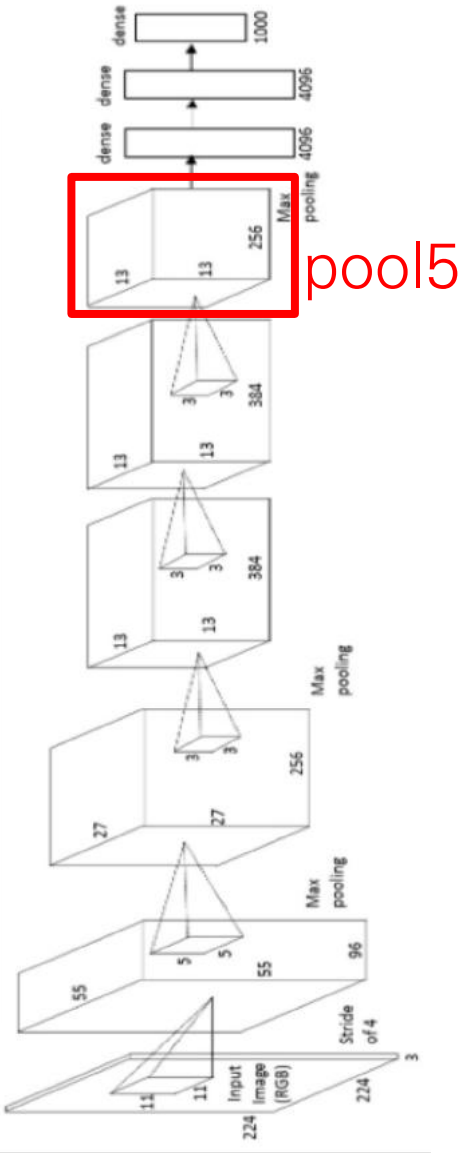
- Visualize patches that maximally activate neurons
- Visualize the weights
- Visualize the representation space (e.g. with t-SNE)
- Occlusion experiments
- Human experiment comparisons
- Deconv approaches (single backward pass)
- Optimization over image approaches (optimization)

Visualize patches that maximally activate neurons

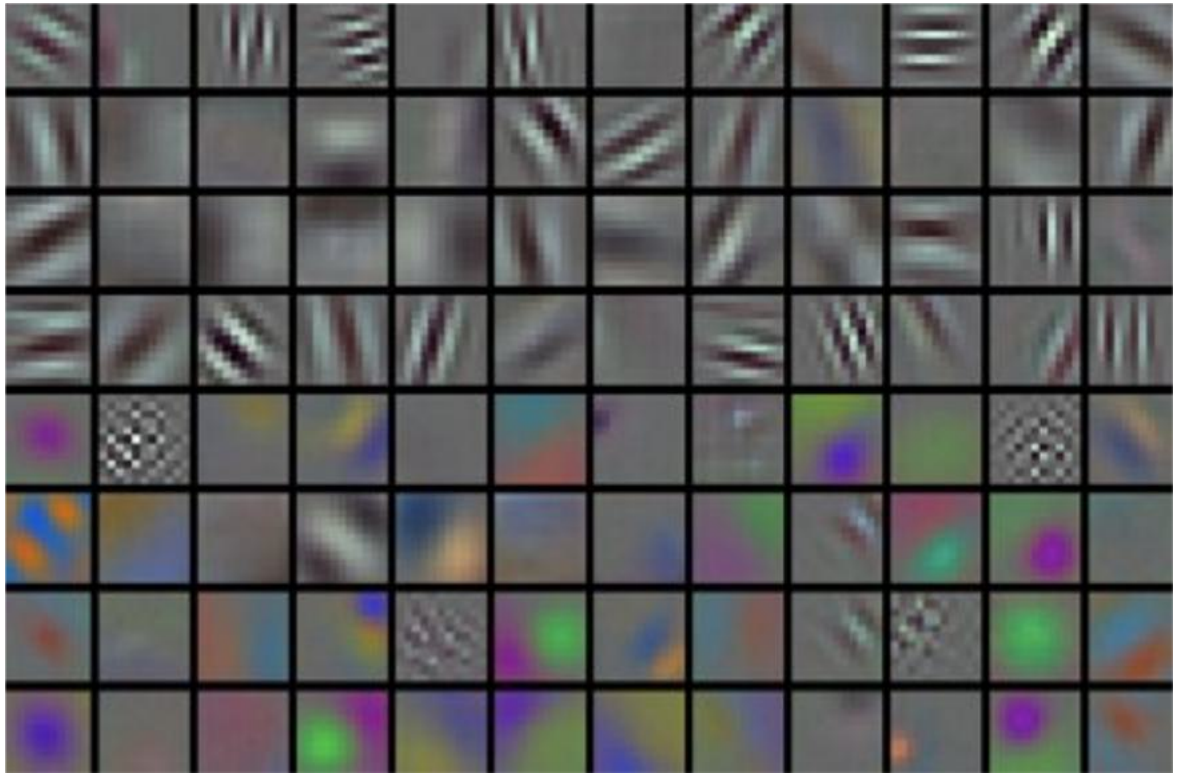
Figure 4: Top regions for six pool$_5$ units. Receptive fields and activation values are drawn in white. Some units are aligned to concepts, such as people (row 1) or text (4). Other units capture texture and material properties, such as dot arrays (2) and specular reflections (6).

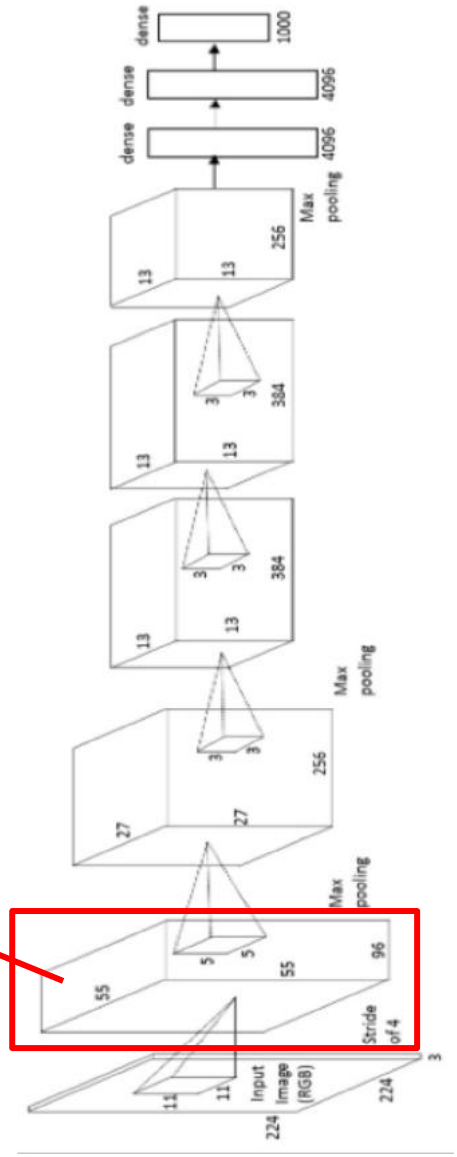
Rich feature hierarchies for accurate object detection and semantic segmentation [Girshick, Donahue, Darrell, Malik]

one-stream AlexNet



Visualize the filters/kernels (raw weights)





conv1

only interpretable on the first layer :(

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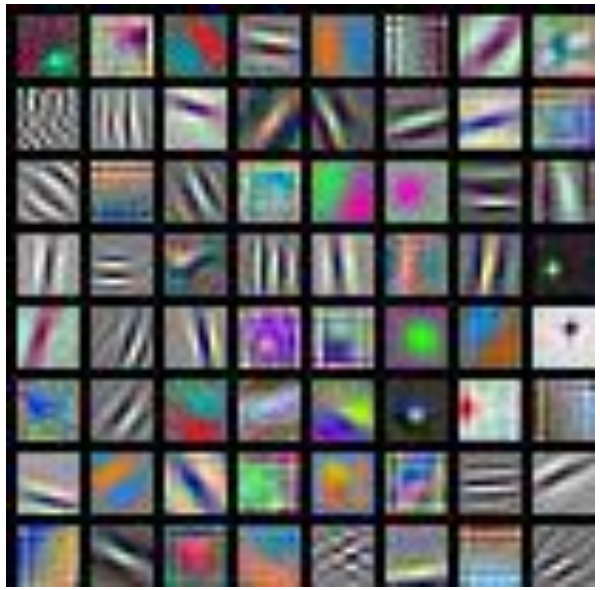
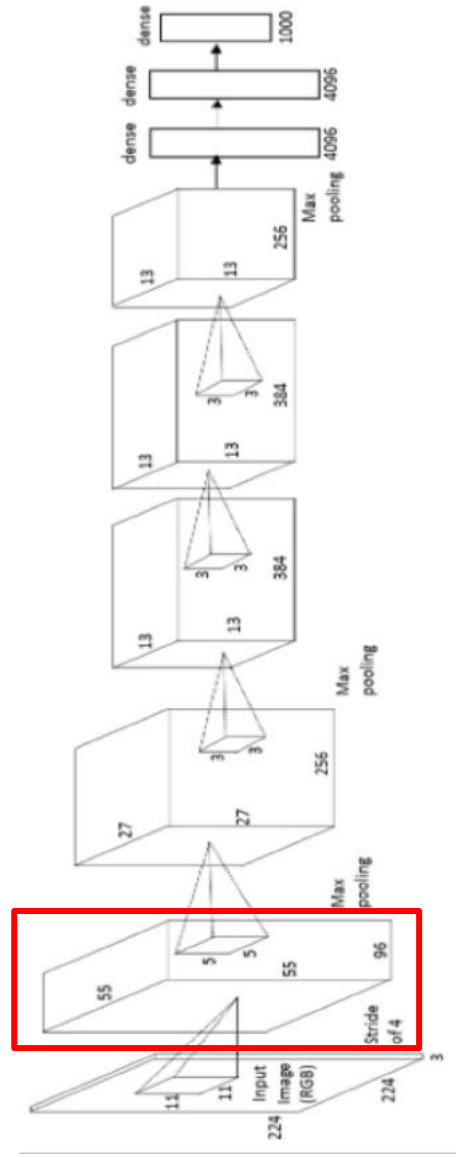


AlexNet:
64 x 3 x 11 x 11

ResNet-18:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7

ResNet-101:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7

DenseNet-121:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7



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He et al, "Deep Residual Learning for Image Recognition", CVPR 2016
Huang et al, "Densely Connected Convolutional Networks", CVPR 2017

Visualize the filters/kernels (raw weights)

you can still do it for higher layers, it's just not that interesting

(these are taken from ConvNetJS CIFAR-10 demo)

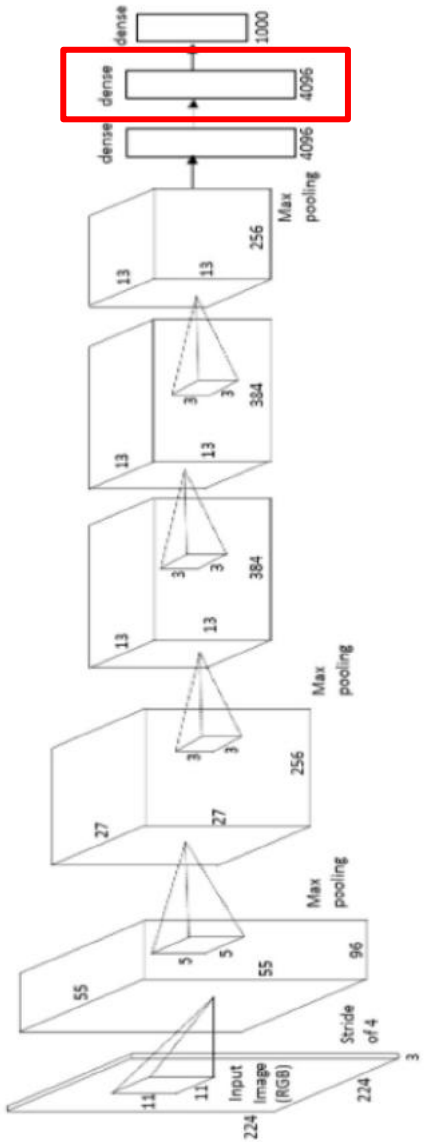
layer 1 weights

layer 2 weights

layer 3 weights

Visualizing the representation

fc7 layer

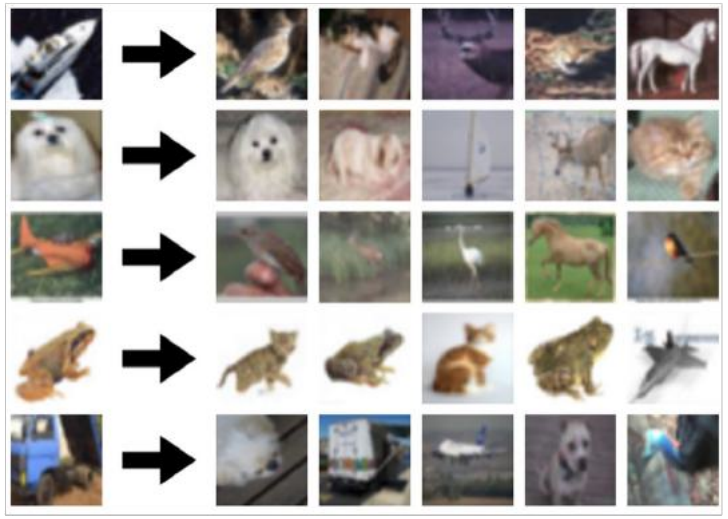


4096-dimensional “code” for an image
(layer immediately before the classifier)

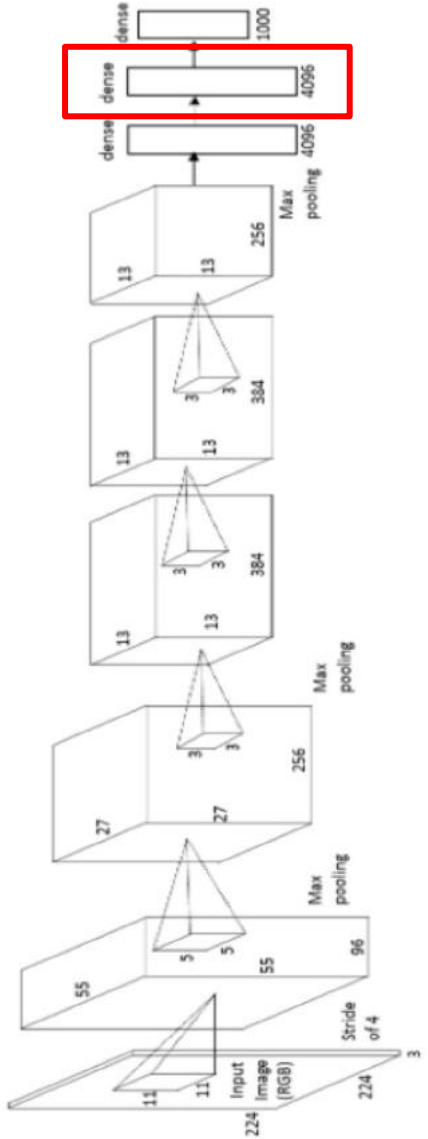
can collect the code for many images

Last Layer: Nearest Neighbors

Recall: Nearest neighbors in pixel space



Test image L2 Nearest neighbors in feature space

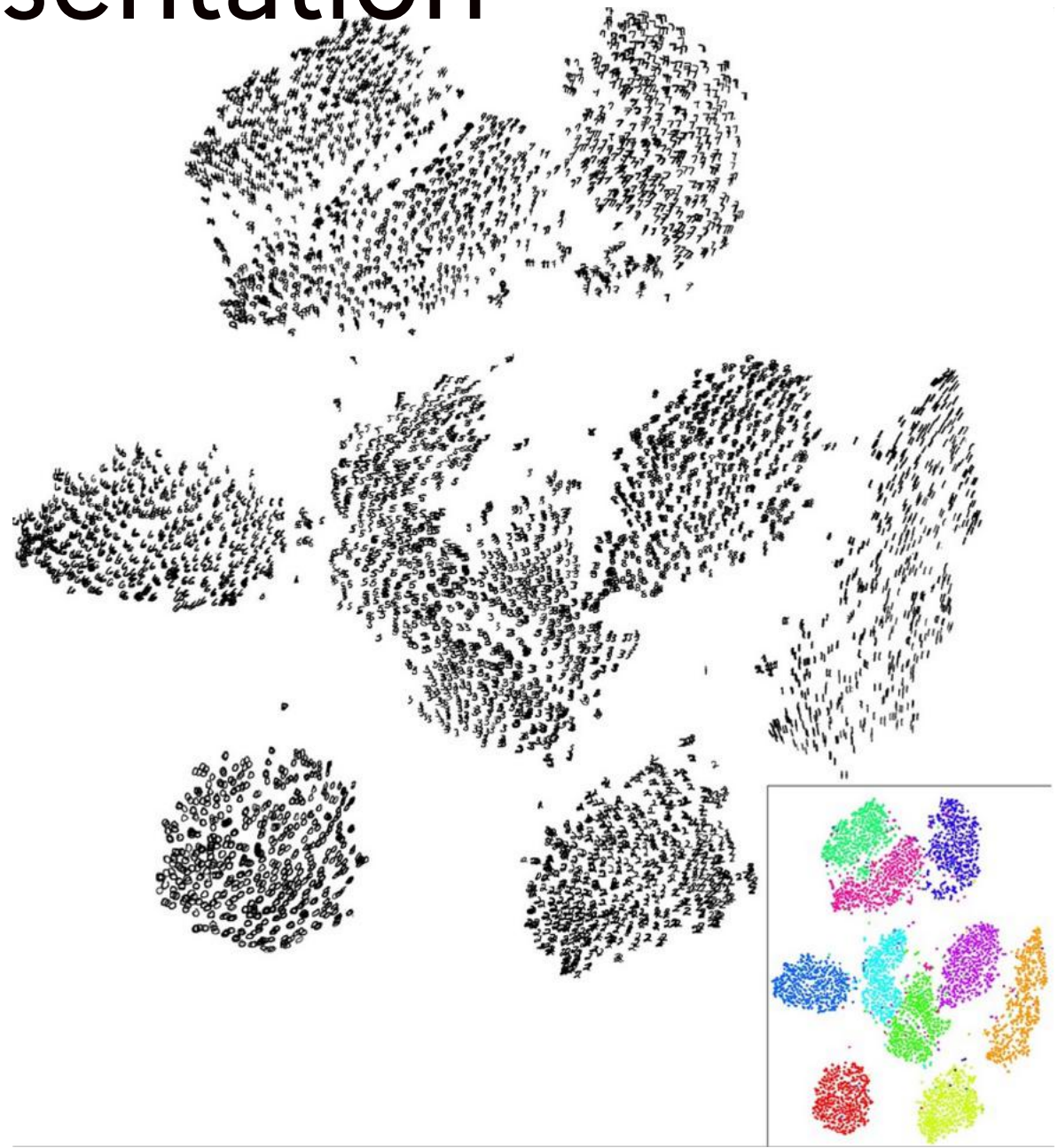


Visualizing the representation

t-SNE visualization

[van der Maaten & Hinton]

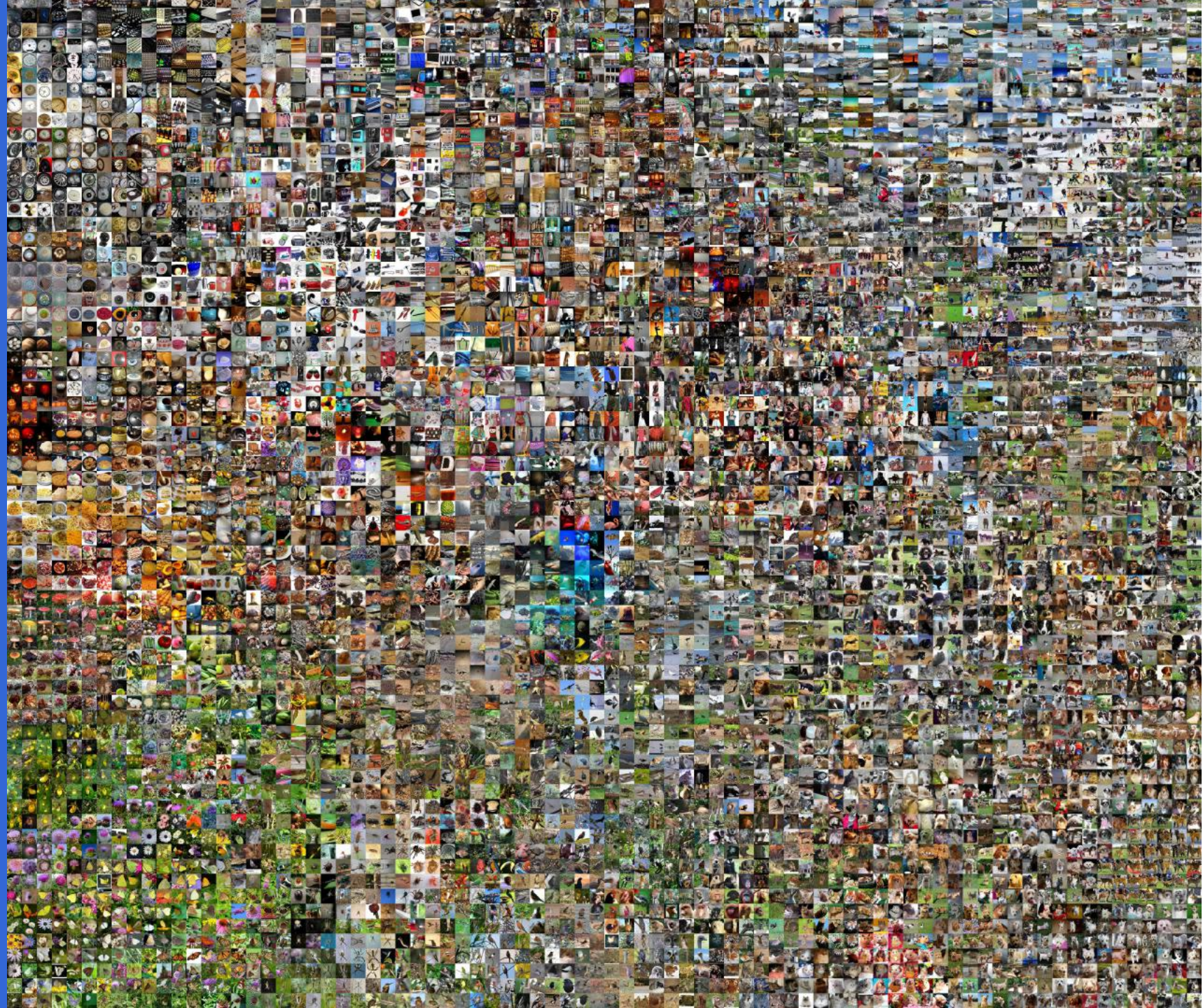
- Embed high-dimensional points so that locally, pairwise distances are conserved
- i.e. similar things end up in similar places. dissimilar things end up wherever
- **Right**: Example embedding of MNIST digits (0-9) in 2D



t-SNE visualization:

- two images are placed nearby if their CNN codes are close. See more:

http://cs.stanford.edu/people/karpathy/cnnembed/



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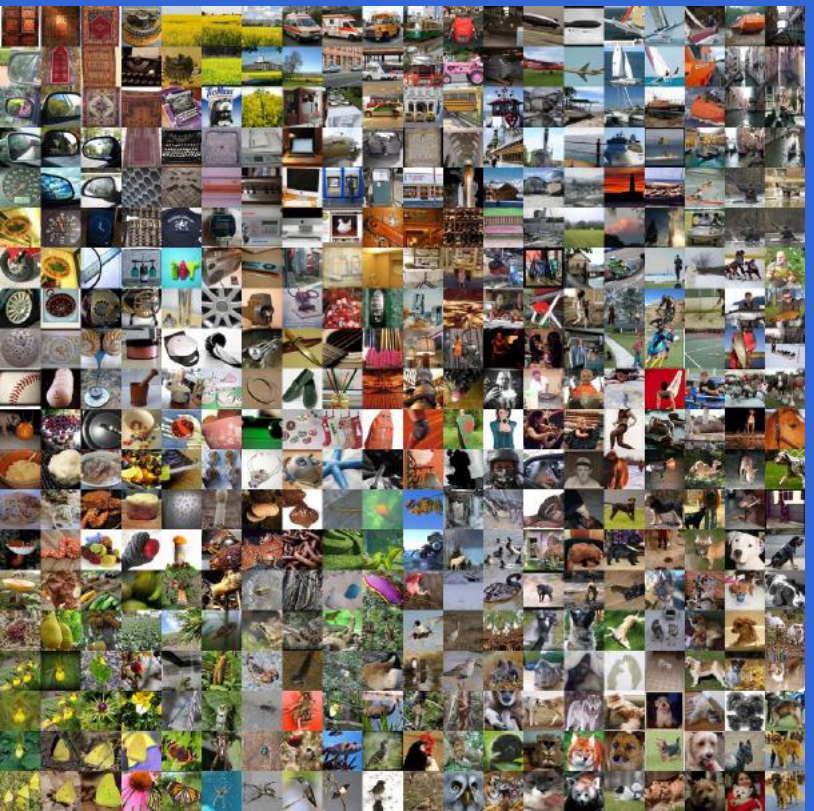
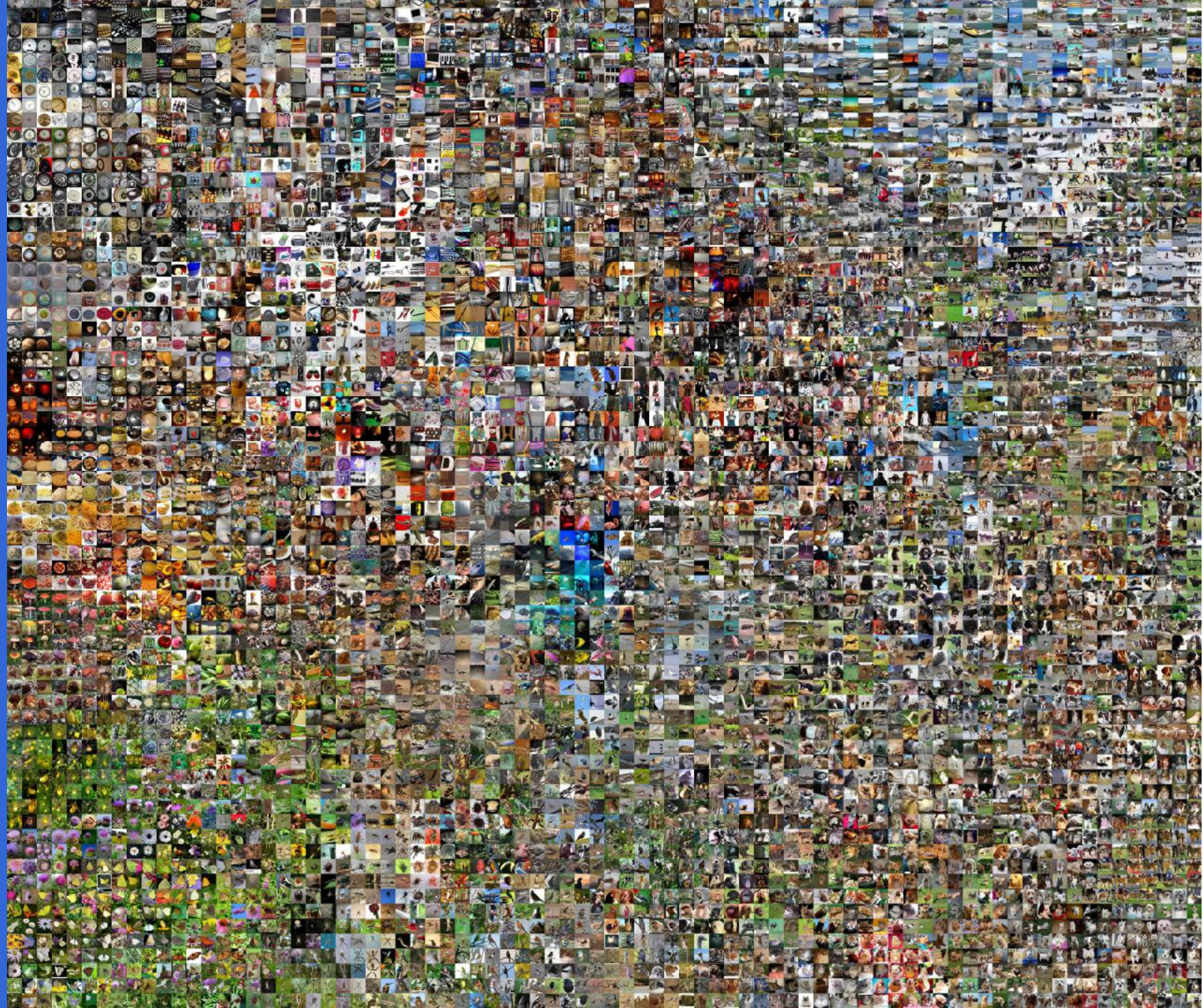
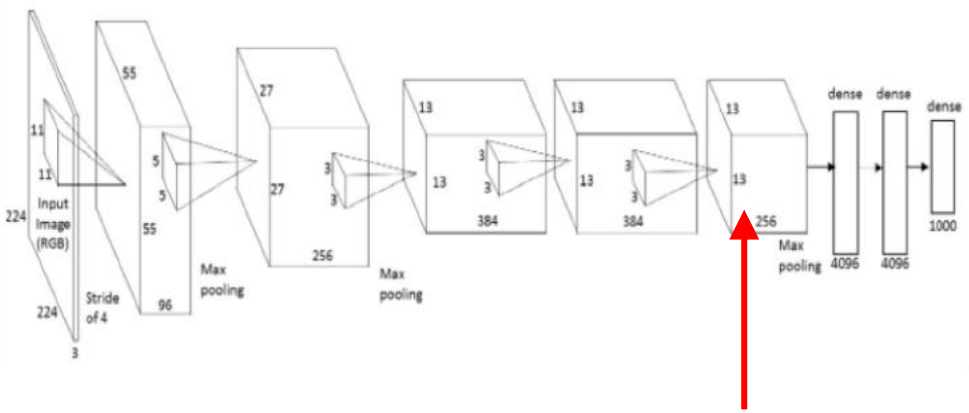
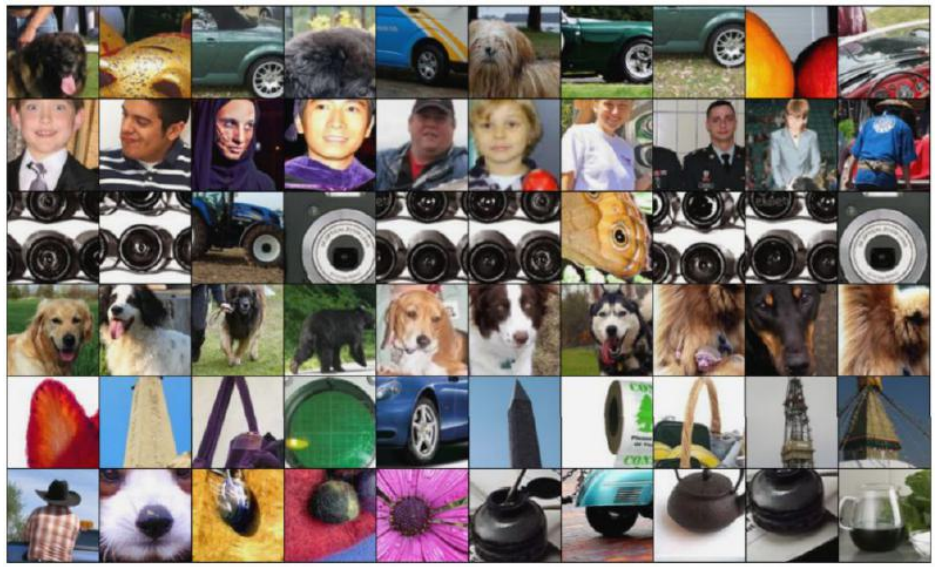




Visualize patches that maximally activate neurons





- Pick a layer and a channel; e.g. conv5 is 128 x 13 x 13, pick channel 17/128
- Run many images through the network, record values of chosen channel
- Visualize image patches that correspond to maximal activations

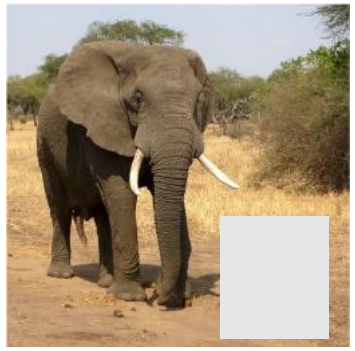
Occlusion experiments

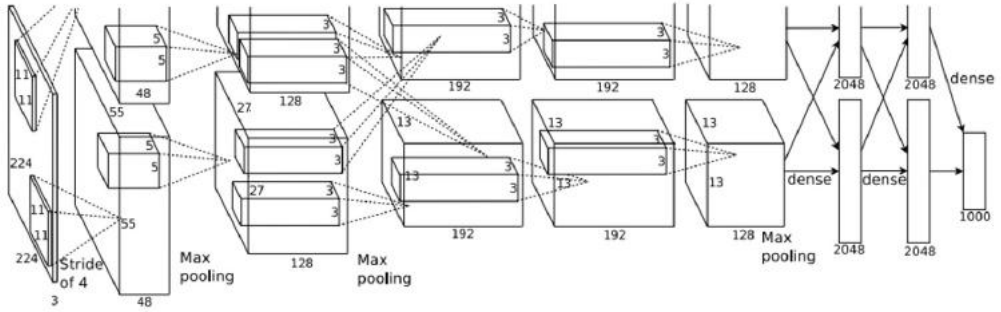
[Zeiler & Fergus 2013]

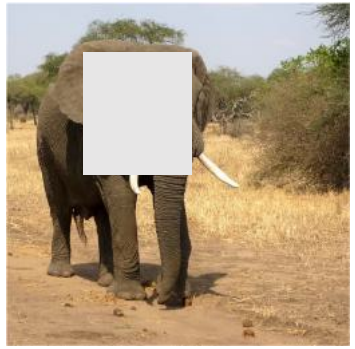
(as a function of the position of the square of zeros in the original image)

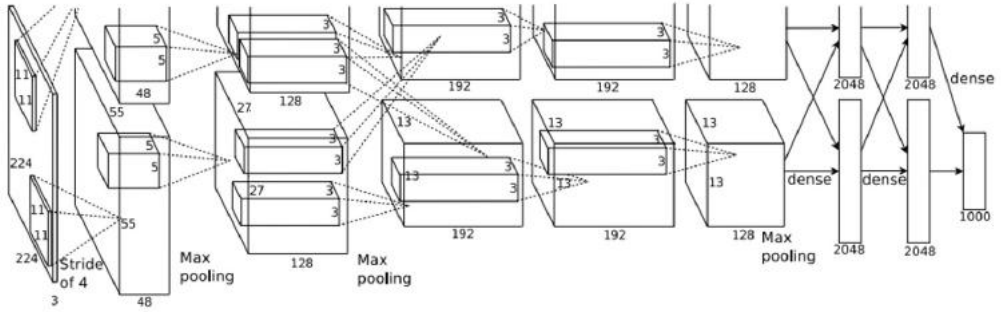
Which Pixels Matter? Saliency via Occlusion

Mask part of the image before feeding to CNN, check how much predicted probabilities change









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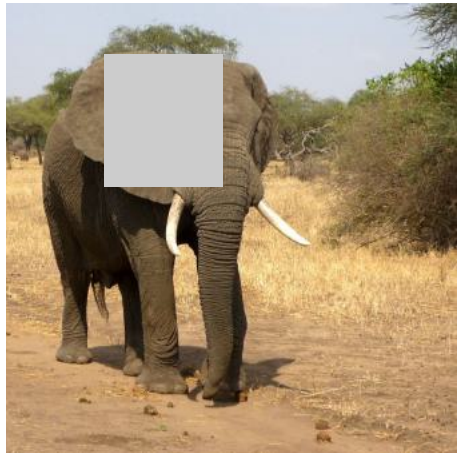

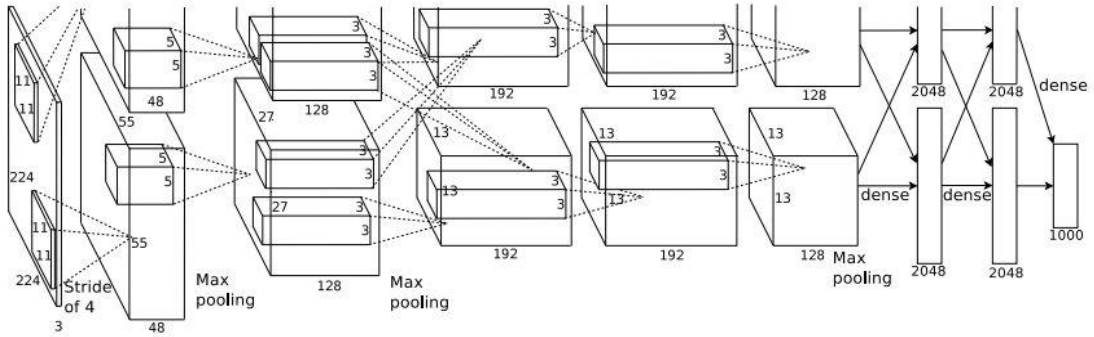

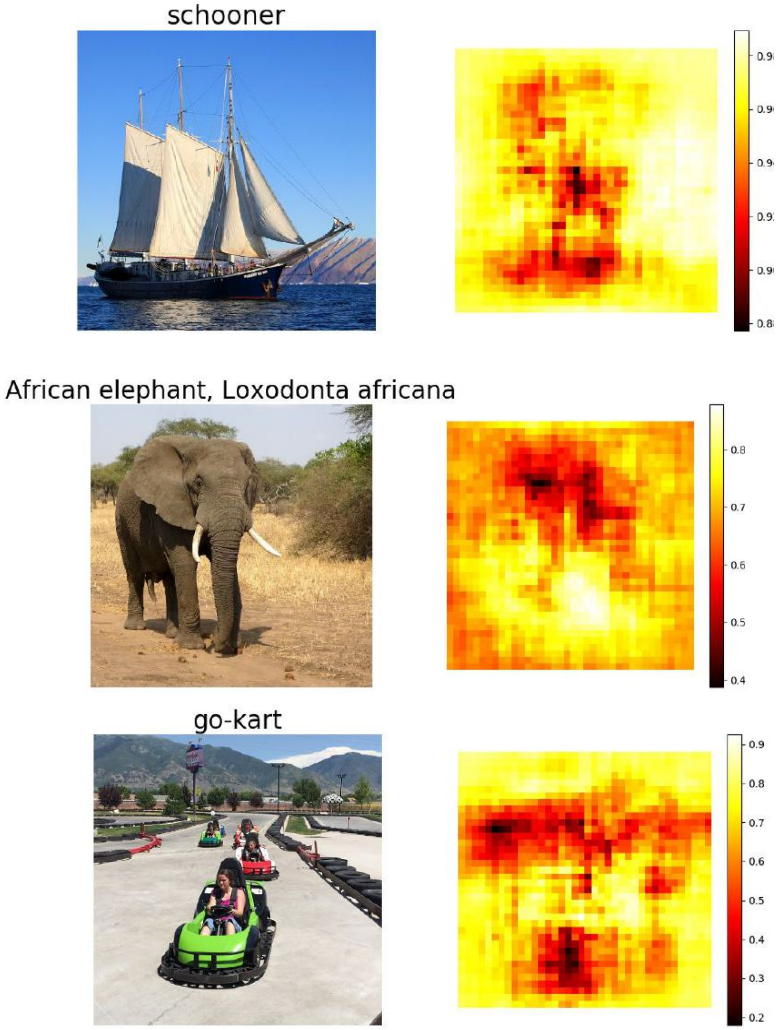

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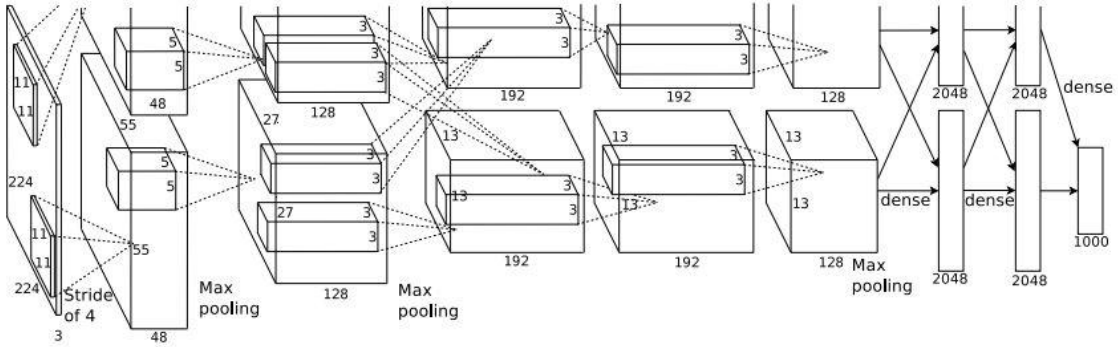

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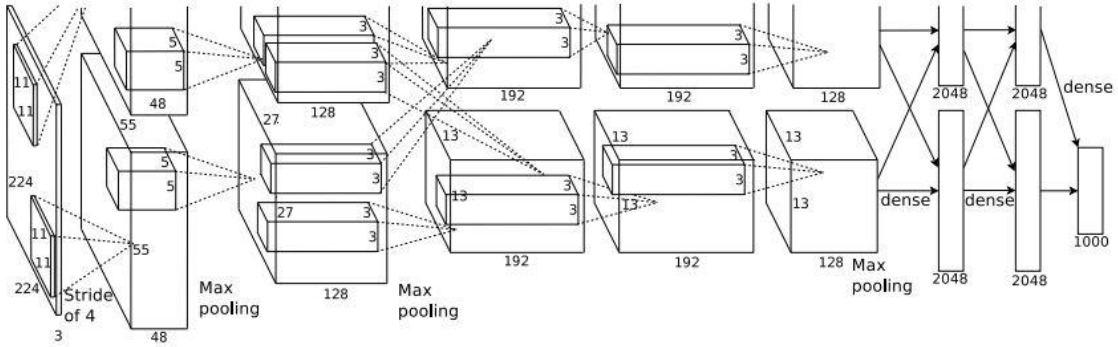

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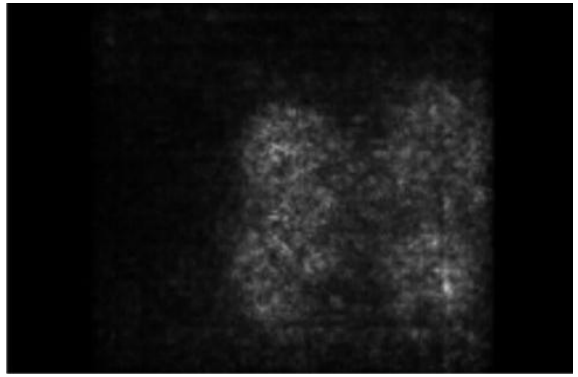
Compute gradient of (unnormalized) class score with respect to image pixels, take absolute value and max over RGB channels



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Class-specific image saliency

- Given the "monkey" class, what are the most "monkey-ish" parts in my image?
- Approximate S_c around an initial point $\boldsymbol{I}_0$ with the first order Taylor expansion

$$S_c(I)|_{I_0} \approx w^T I + b \text{ , where } w = \frac{\partial S_c}{\partial I}|_{I_0}$$

from backpropagation

  - Solution is locally optimal

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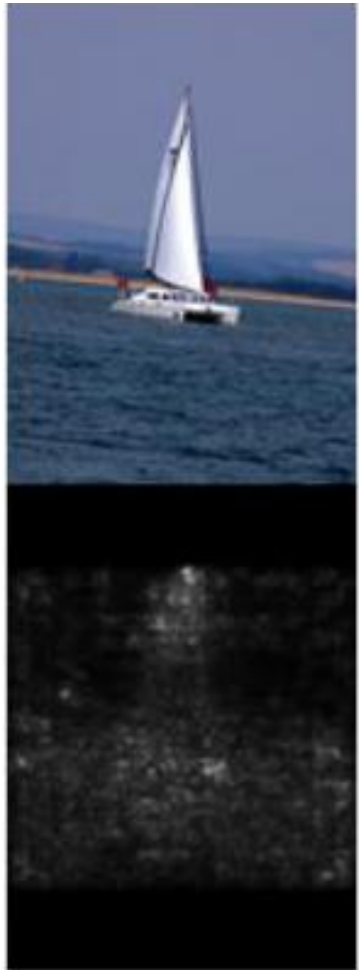

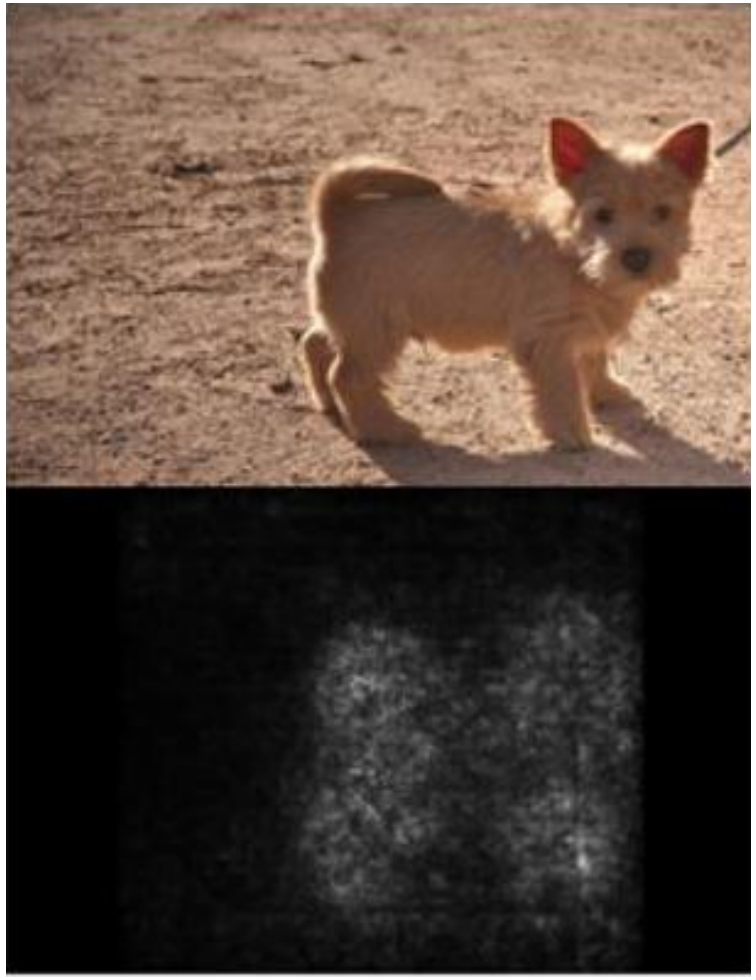

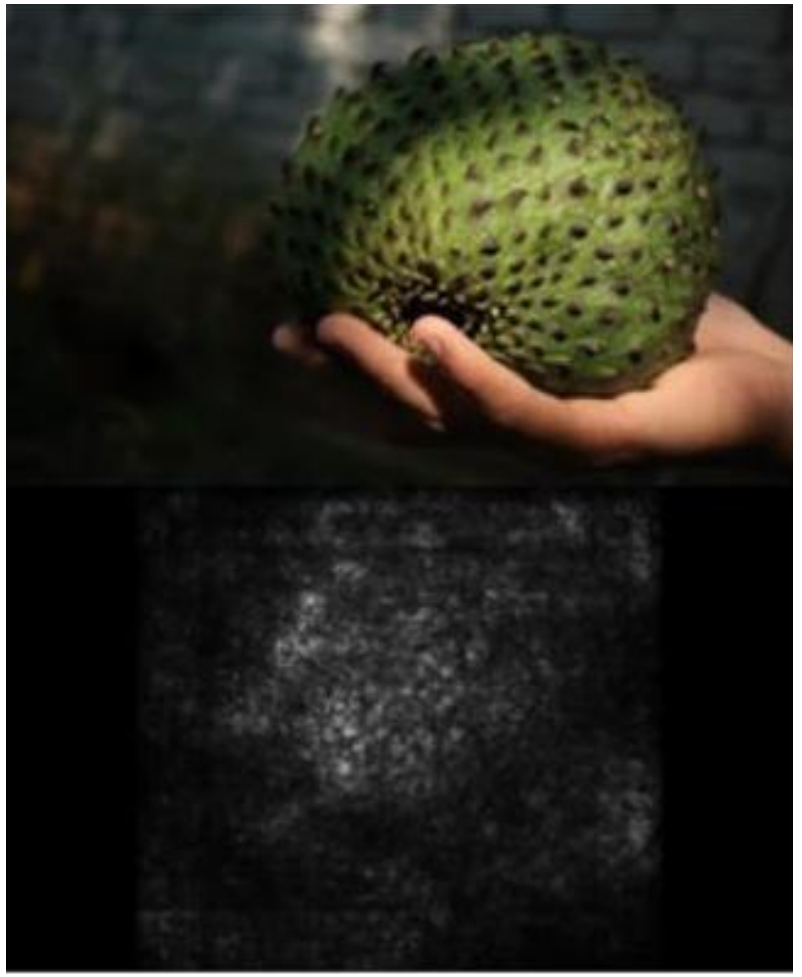

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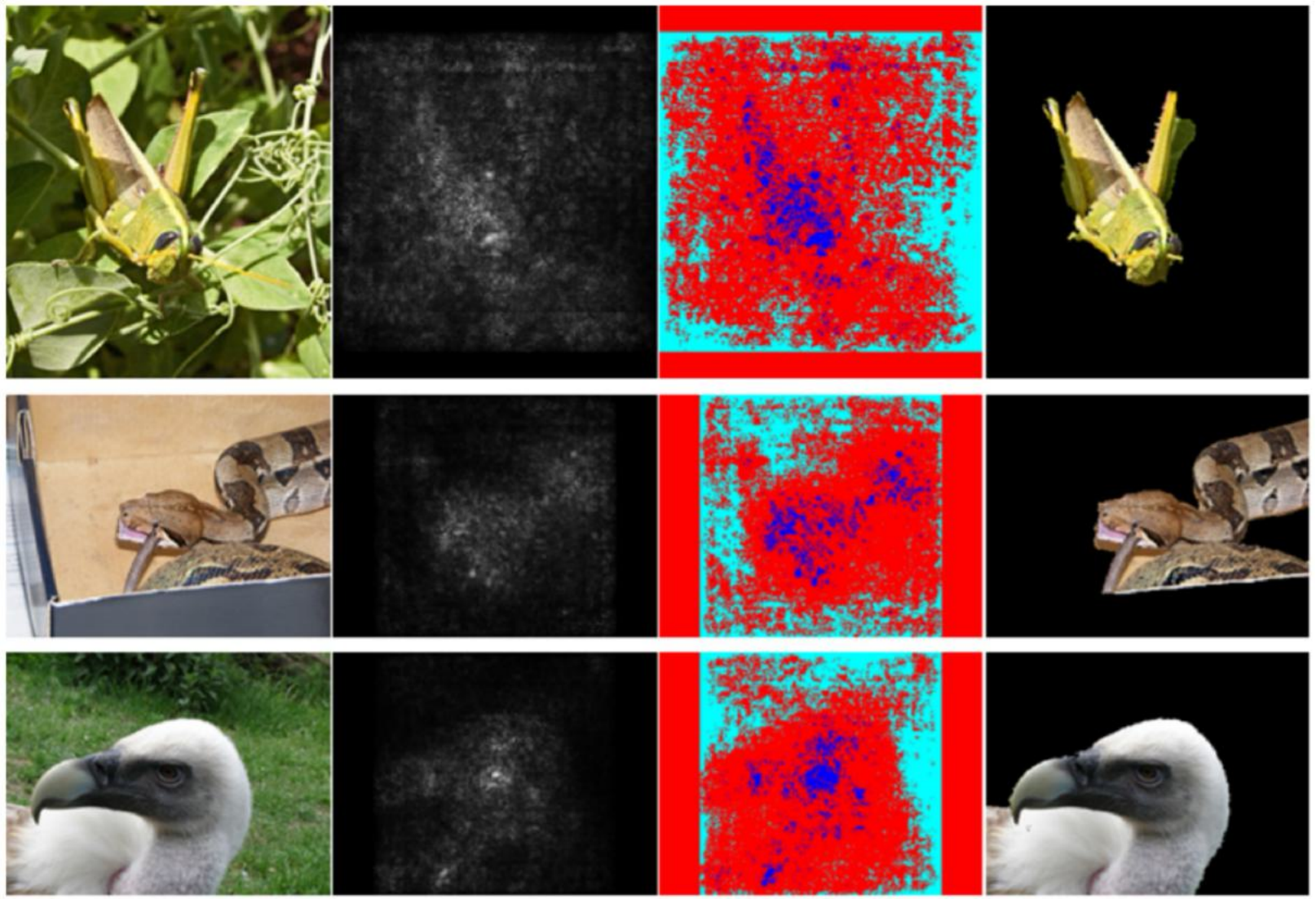
Saliency Maps: Segmentation without Supervision

Use GrabCut
on saliency map



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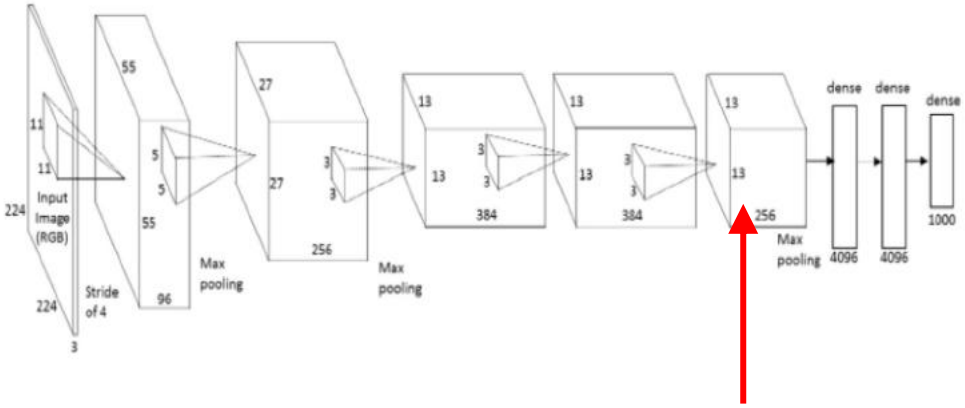

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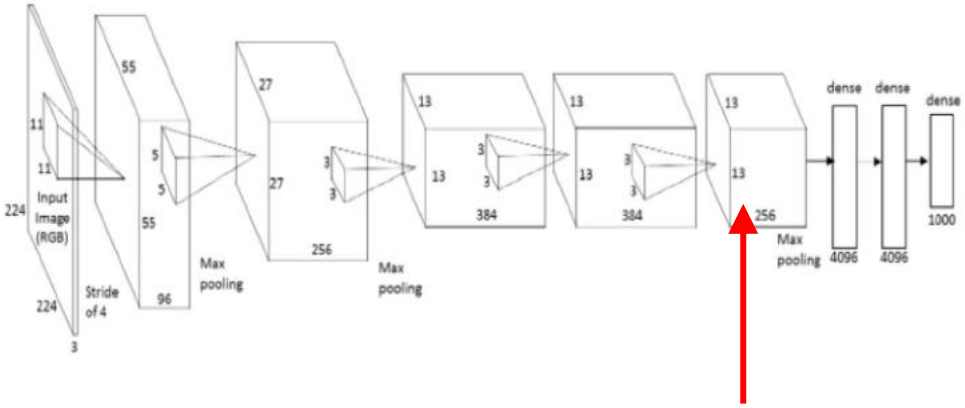

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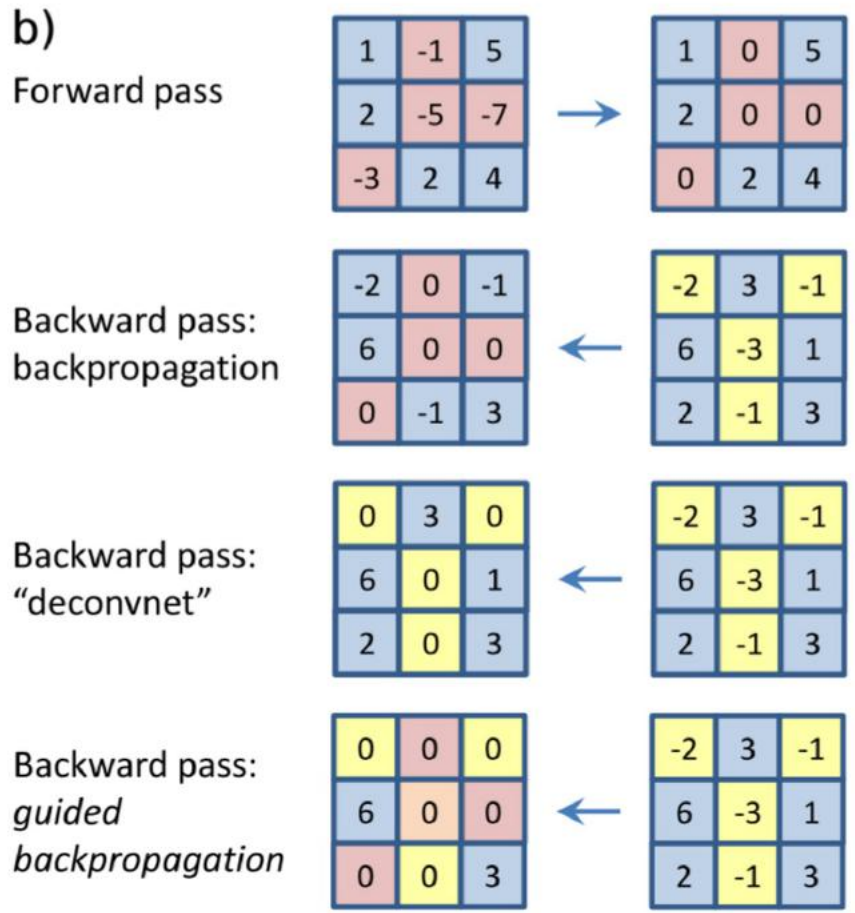

Images come out nicer if you only backprop positive gradients through each ReLU (guided backprop)

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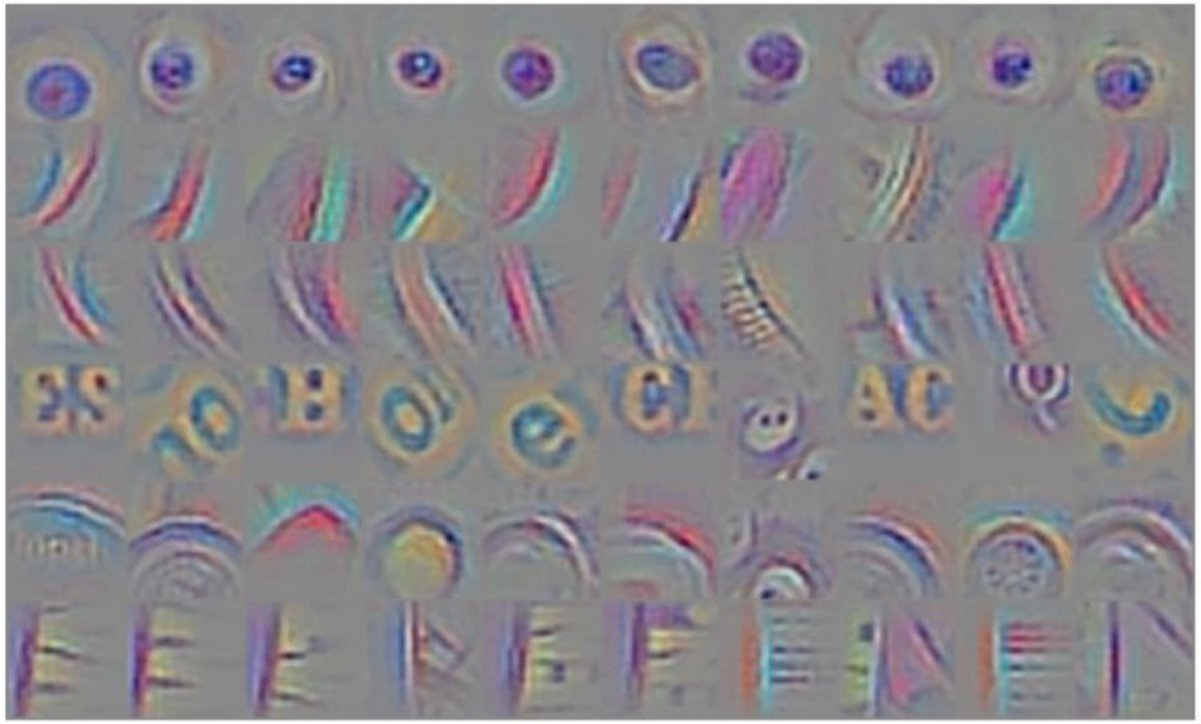

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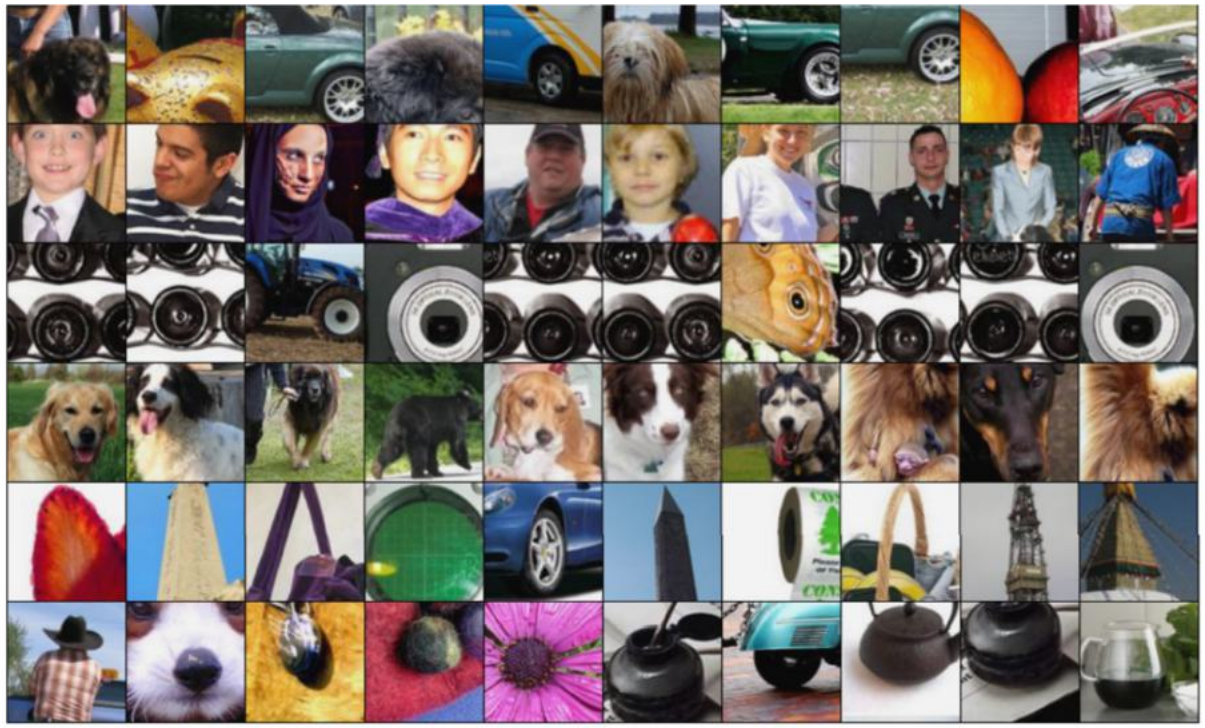

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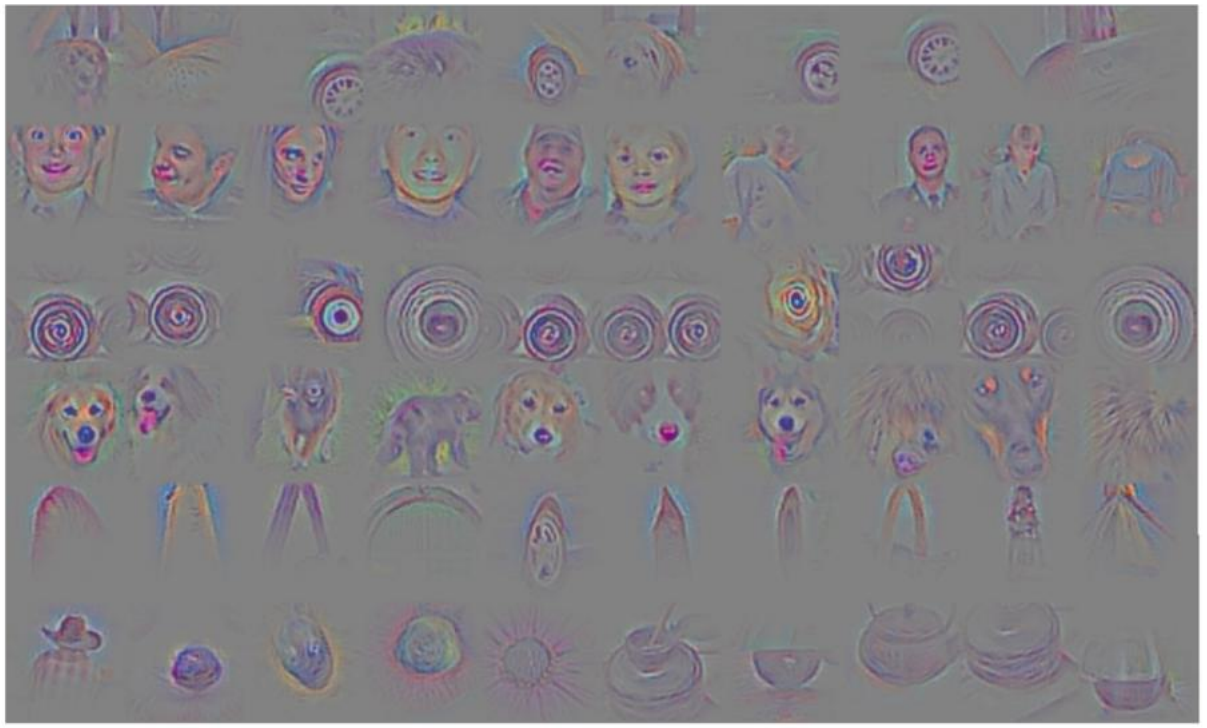

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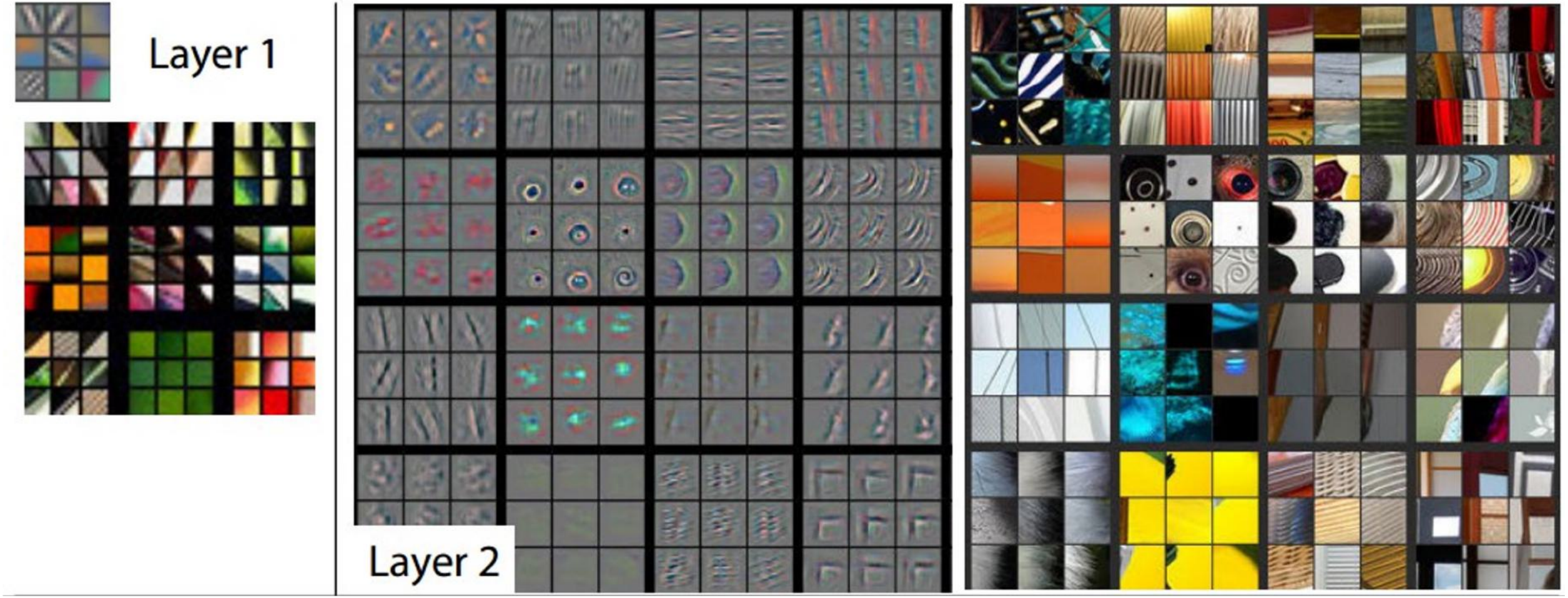

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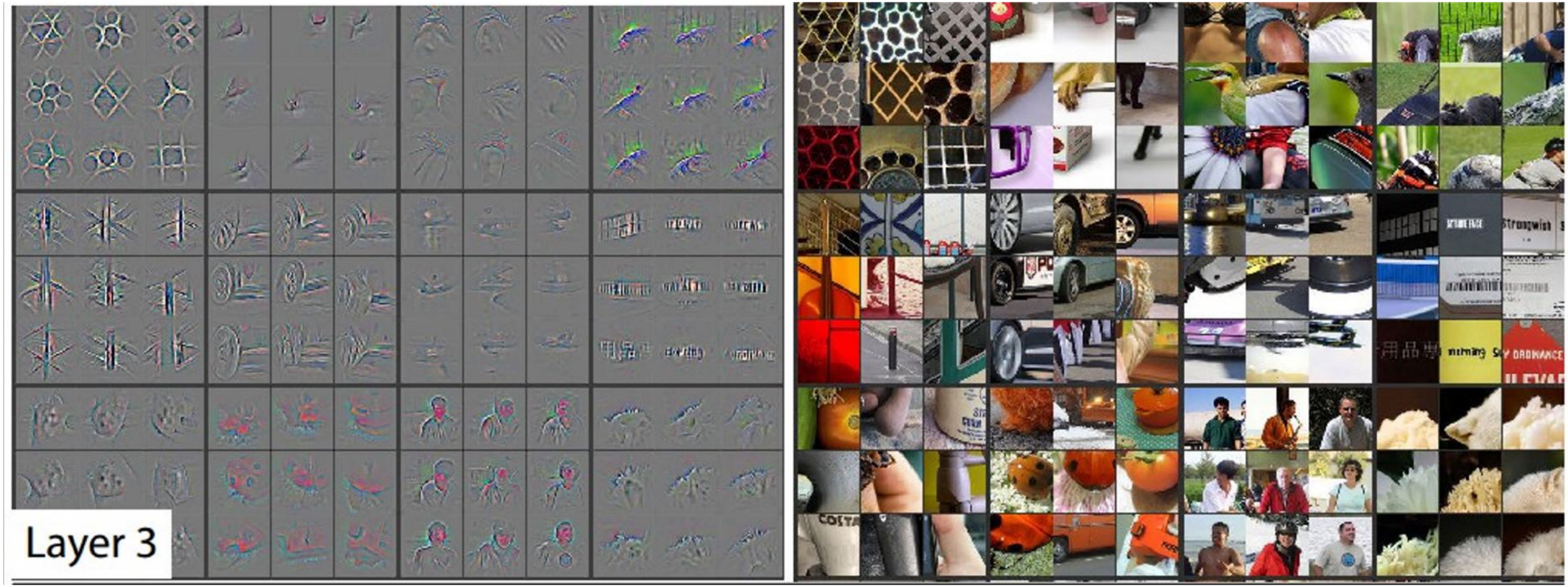

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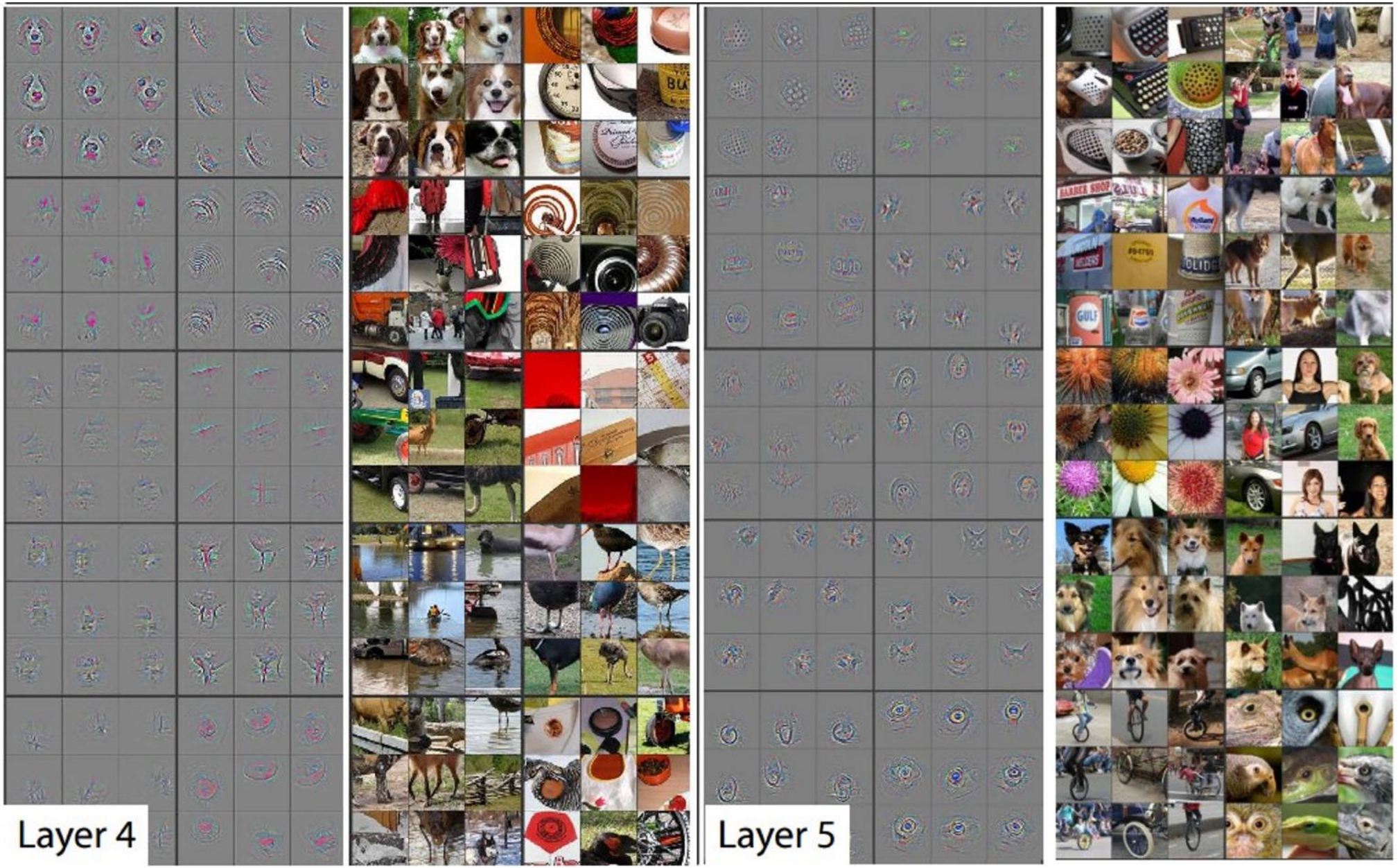

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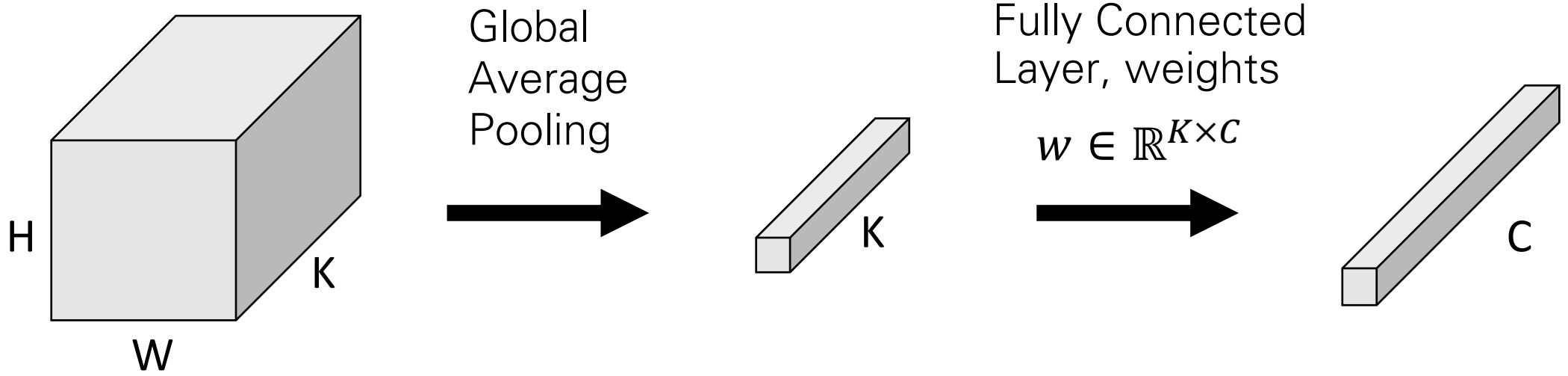

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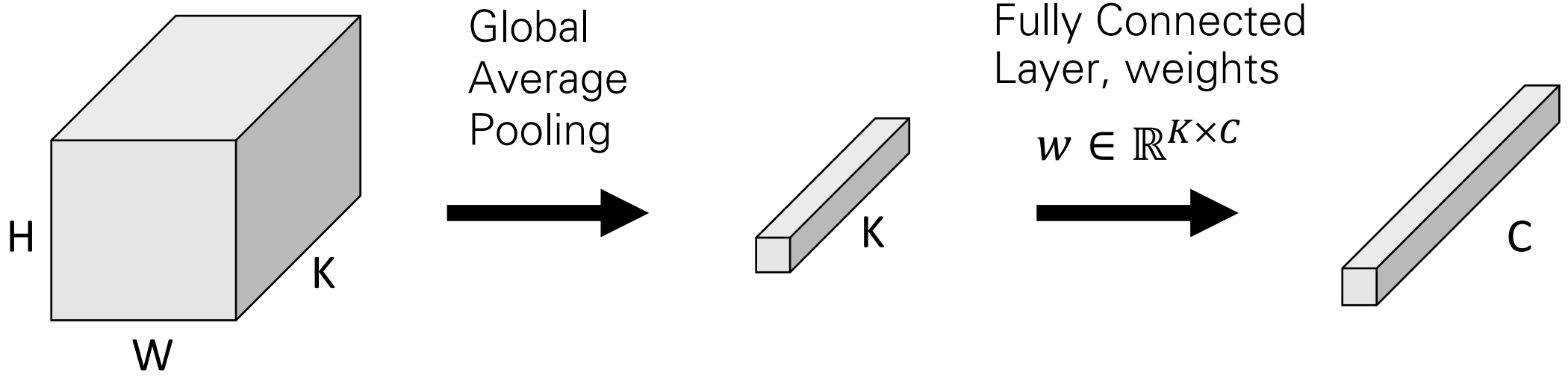

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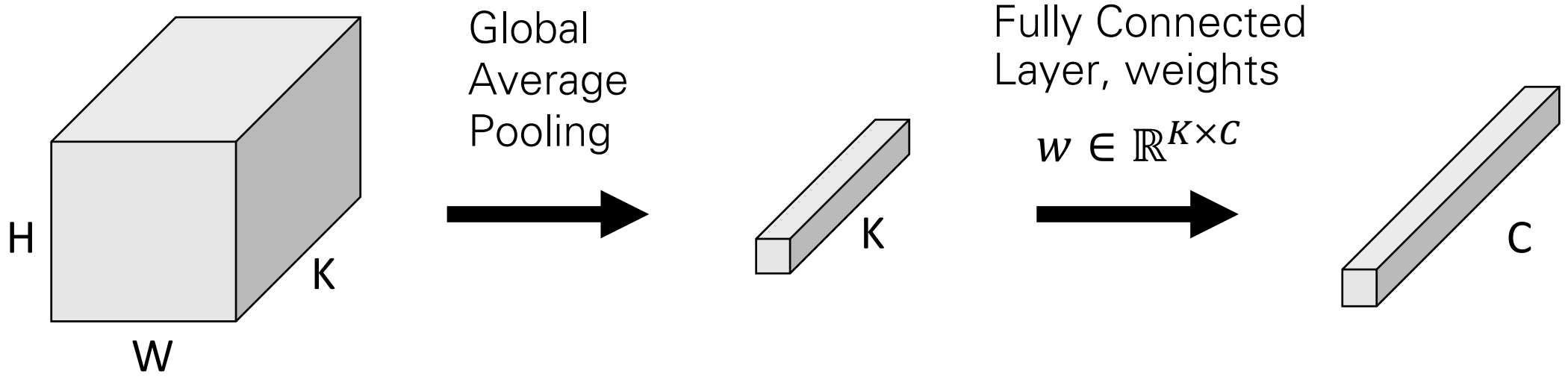

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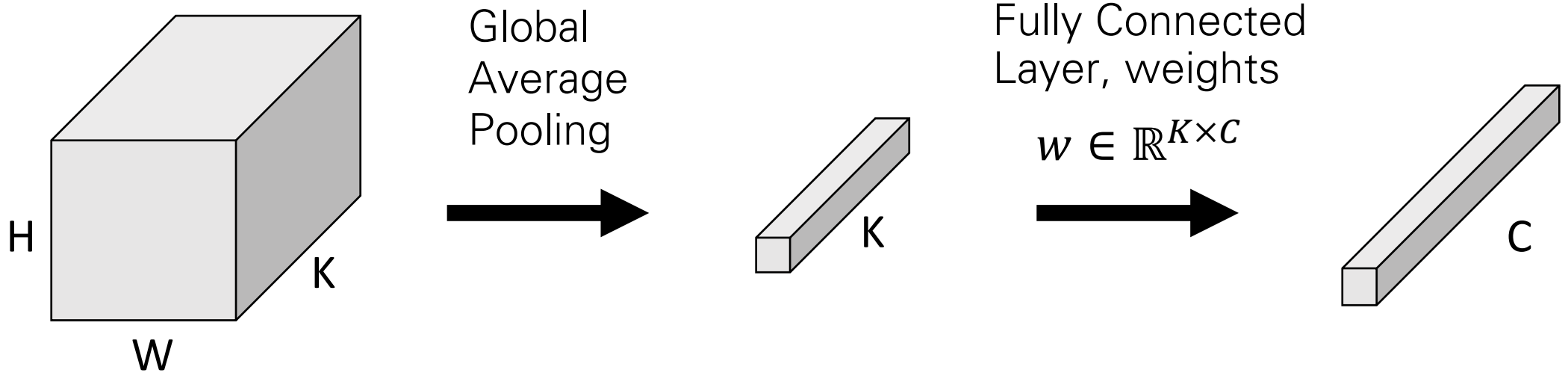

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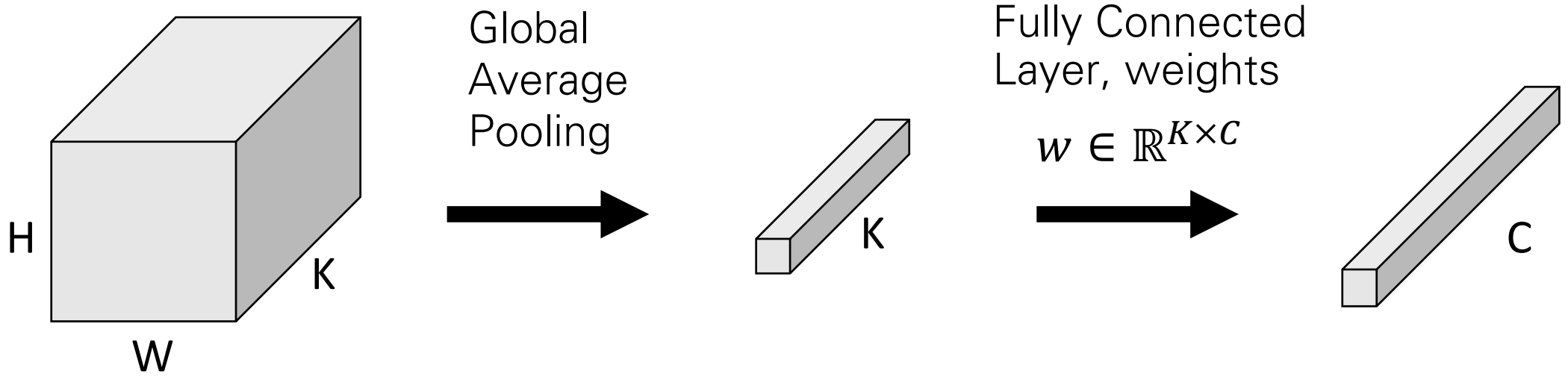

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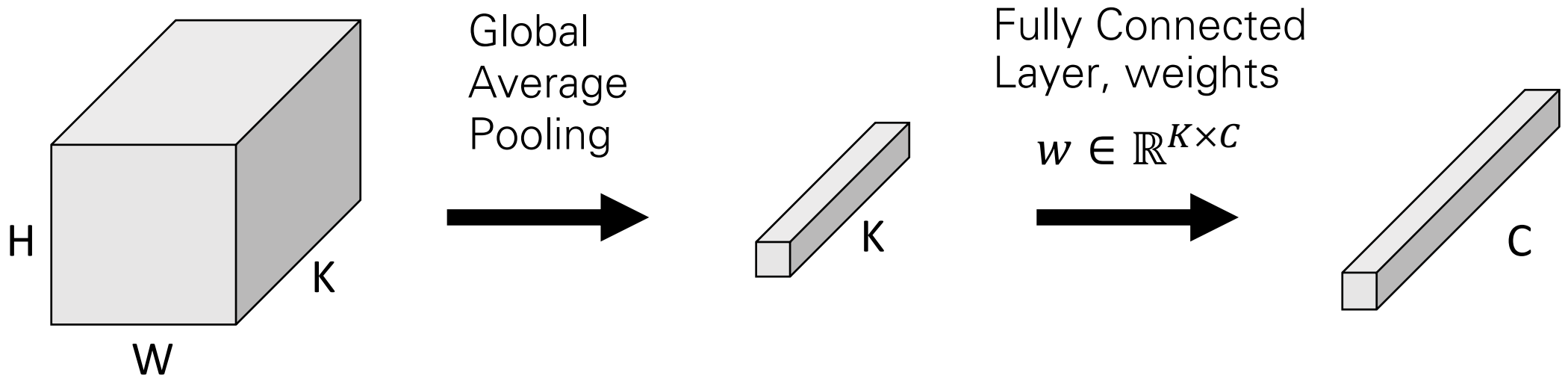

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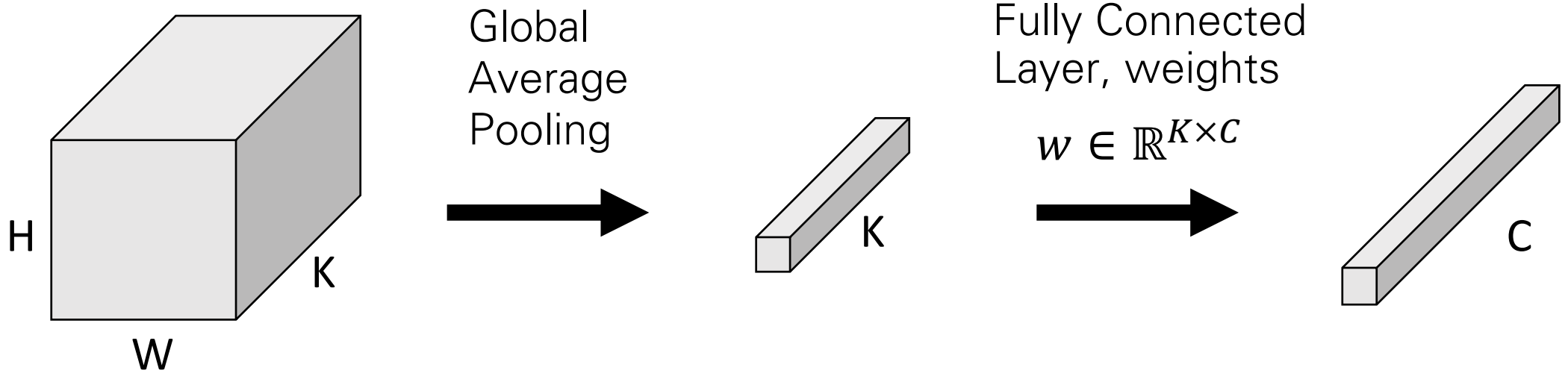

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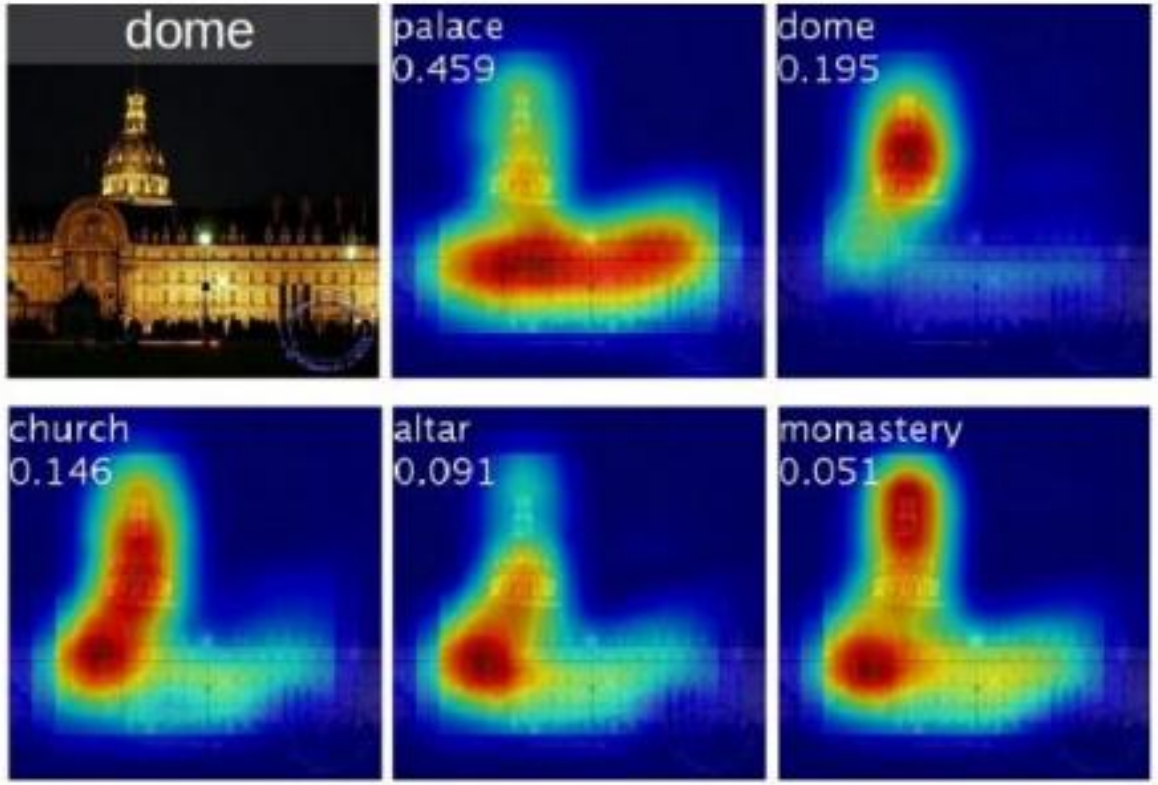

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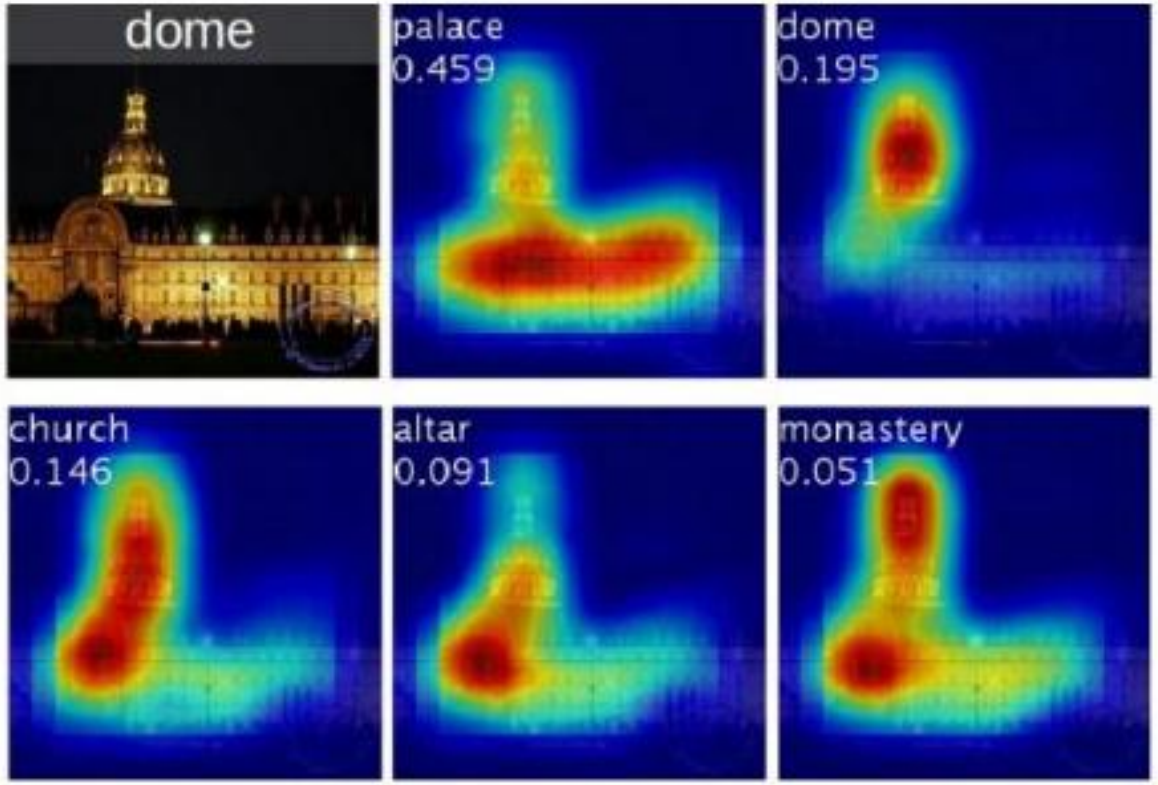

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1. Pick any layer, with activations $A \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times K}$
2. Compute gradient of class score S_c with respect to A:

$$\frac{\partial S_c}{\partial A} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times K}$$

3. Global Average Pool the gradients to get weights $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^K$:

$$\alpha_k = \frac{1}{HW} \sum_{h,w} \frac{\partial S_c}{\partial A_{h,w,k}}$$

4. Compute activation map $M^c \in \mathbb{R}^{H,W}$:

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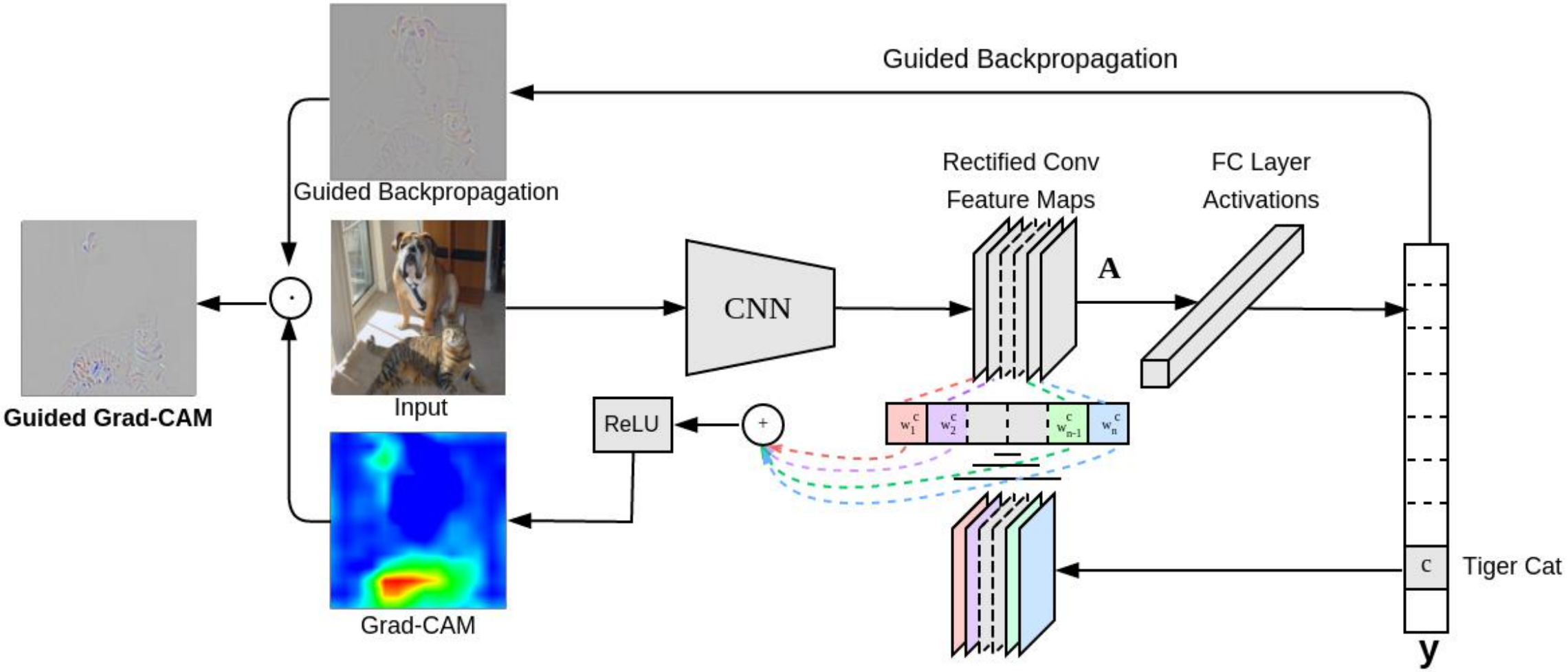

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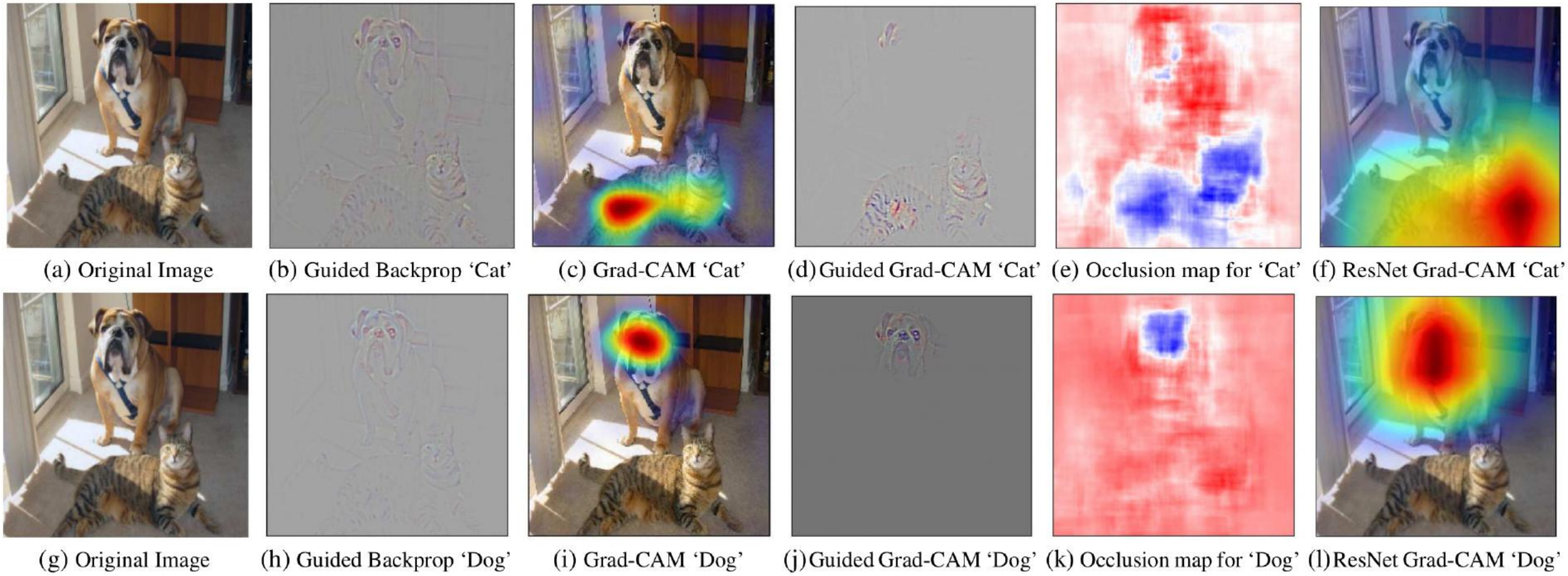

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Can also be applied beyond classification models, e.g. image captioning

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Gradient ascent:
Generate a synthetic image that maximally activates a neuron

$$I^* = \arg\max_I f(I) + R(I)$$

Neuron value

Natural image regularizer

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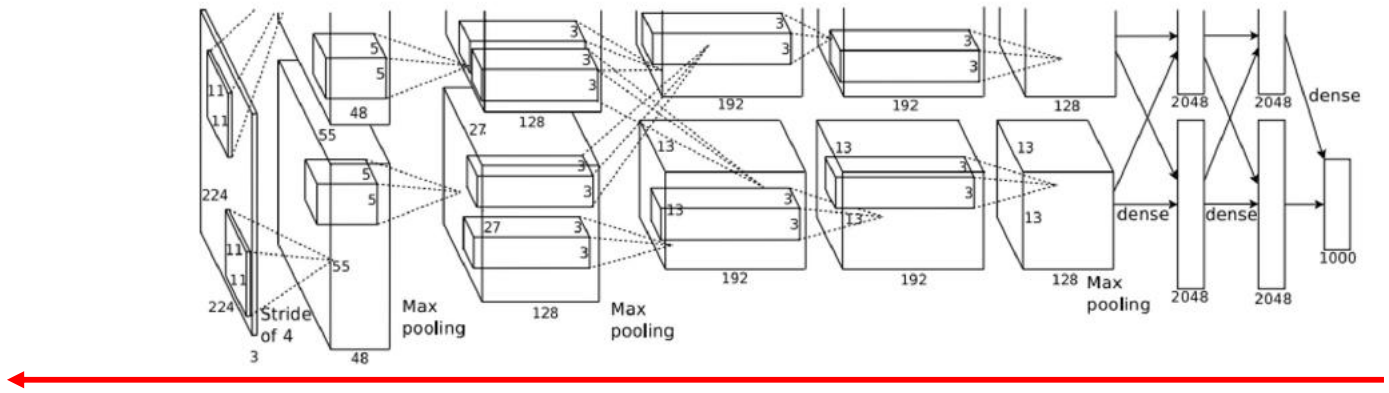
1. Initialize image to zeros

$$\arg\max_I S_c(I) - \lambda \|I\|_2^2$$

Score for class c (before Softmax)

Zero image



Repeat:

2. Forward image to compute current scores
3. Backprop to get gradient of neuron value with respect to image pixels
4. Make a small update to the image

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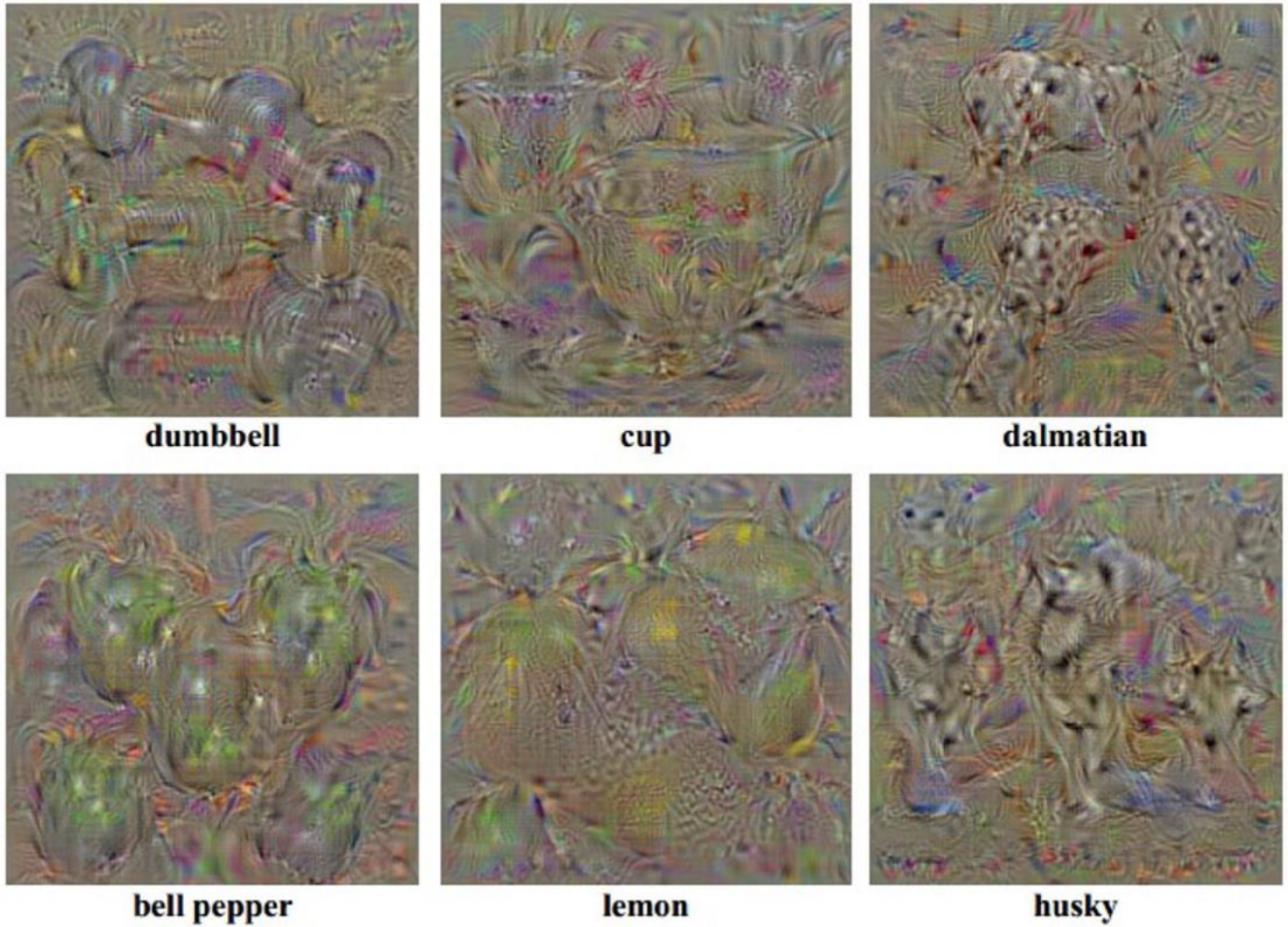

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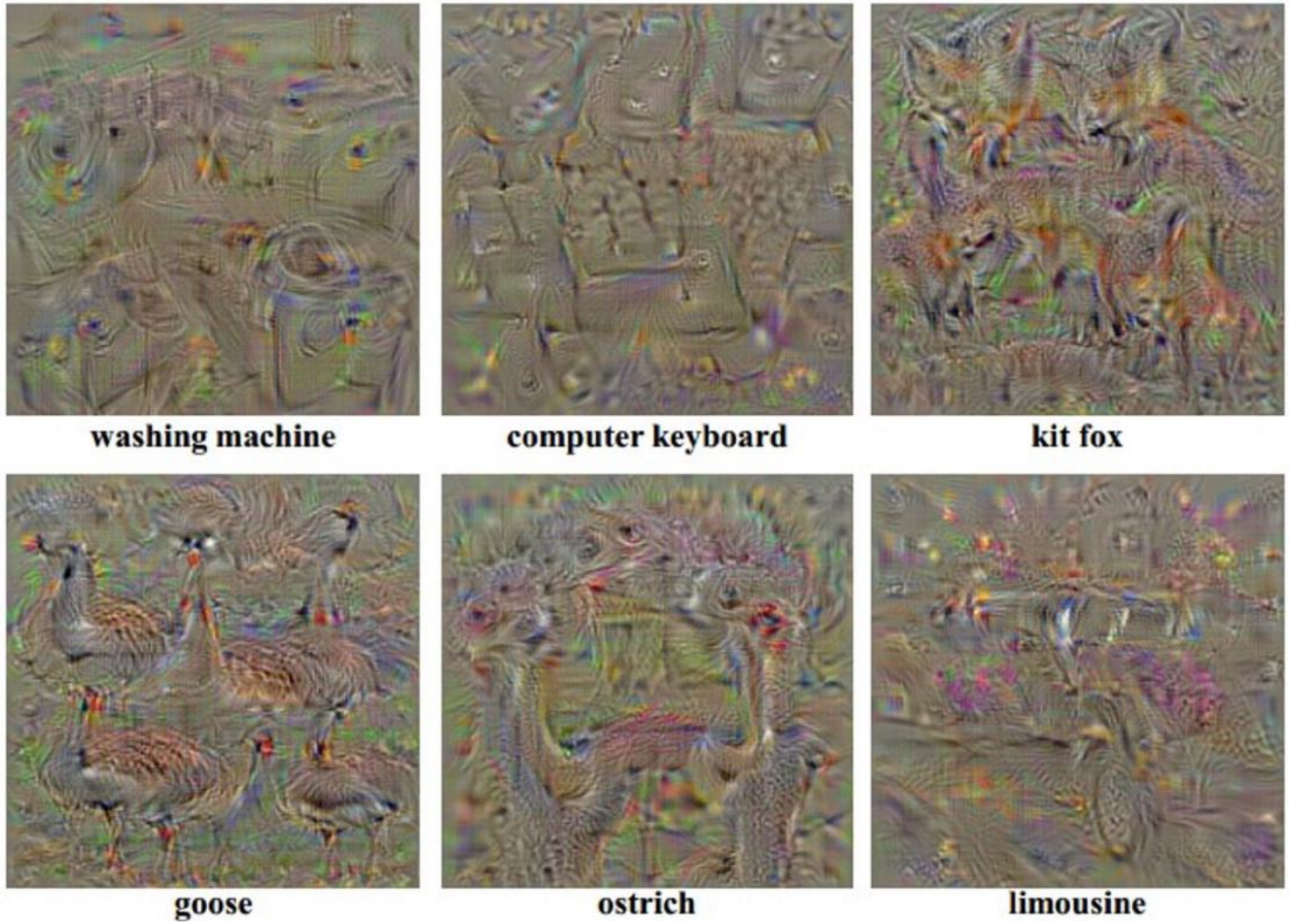

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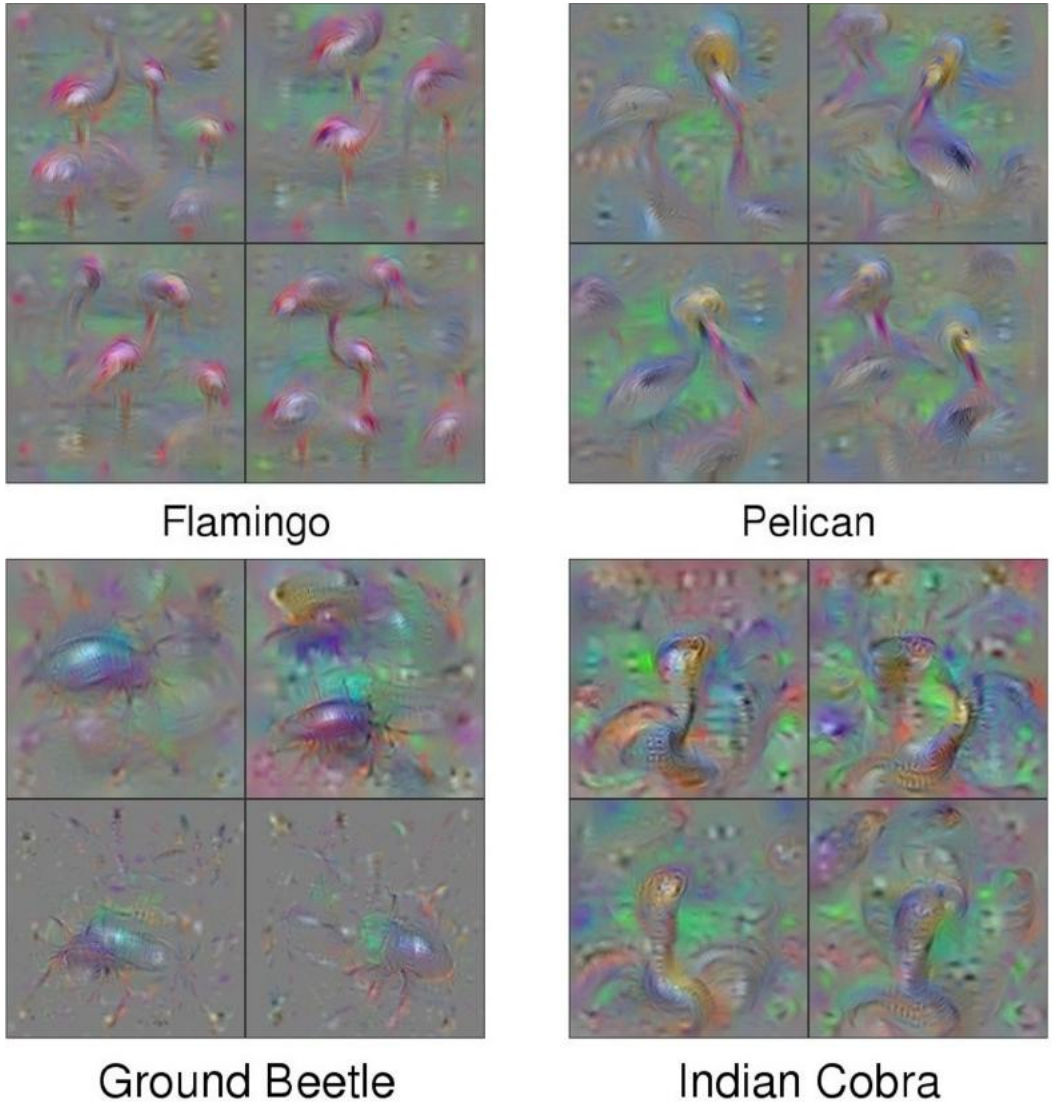

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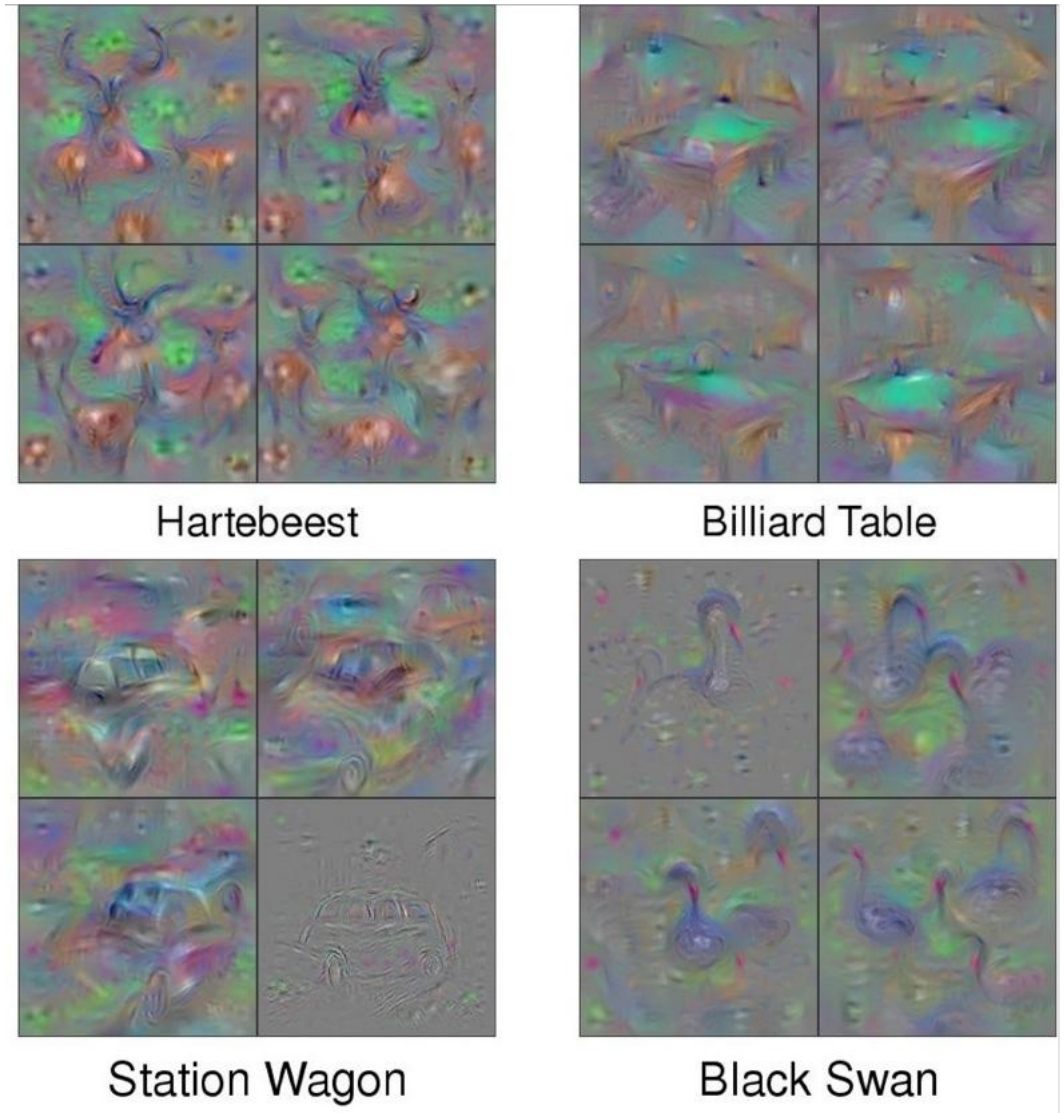

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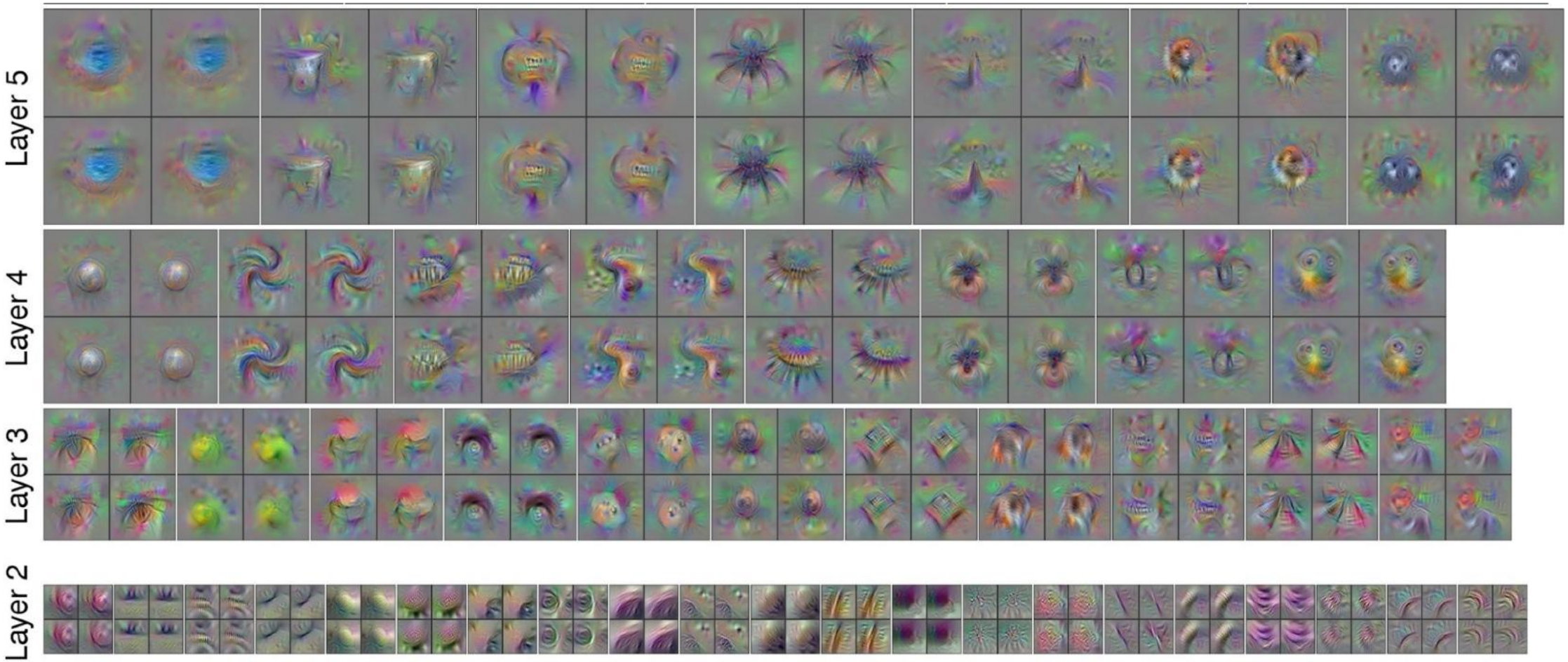
Use the same approach to visualize intermediate features



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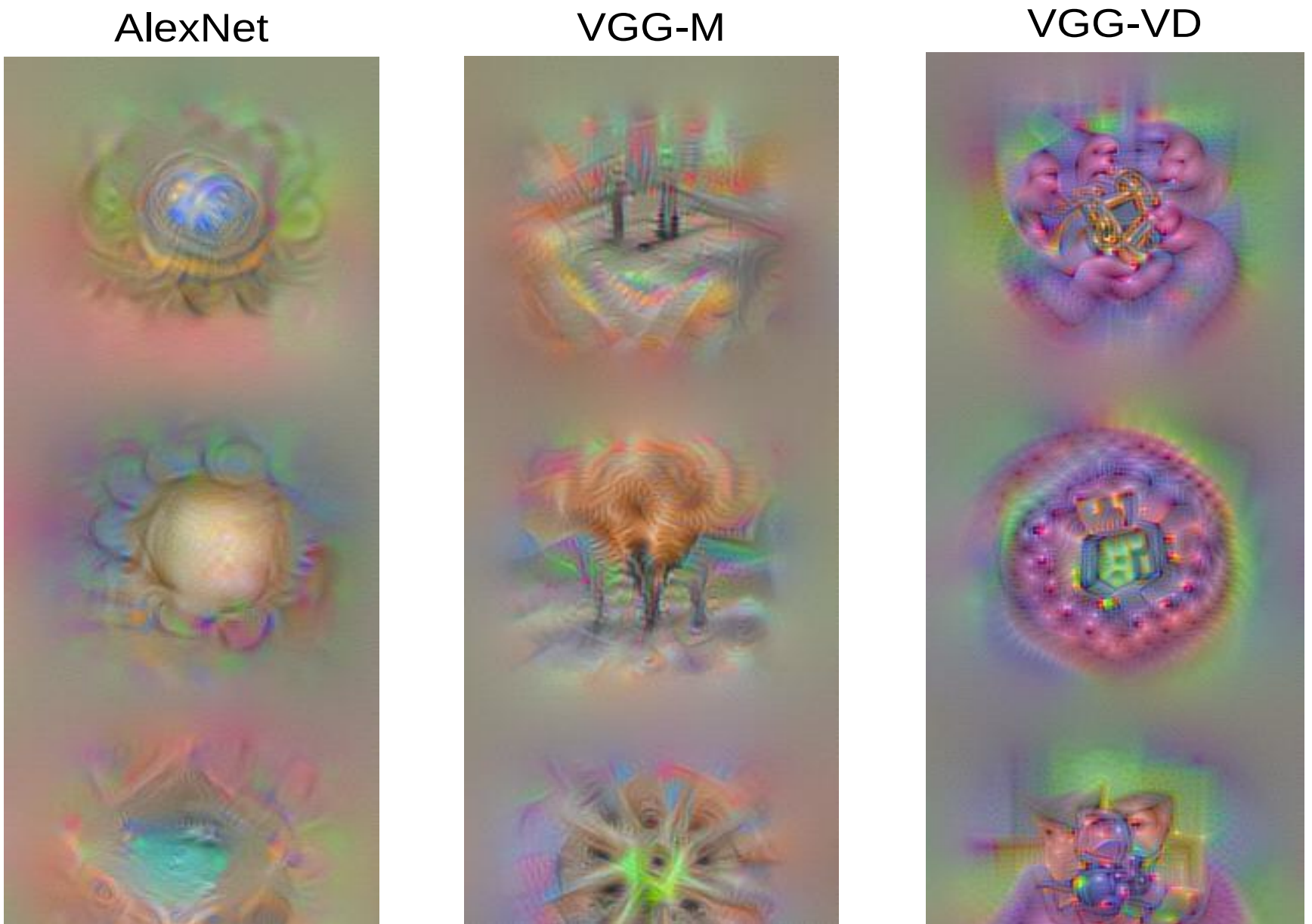
Network Comparison

"conv5" features



Deep Visualization Toolbox

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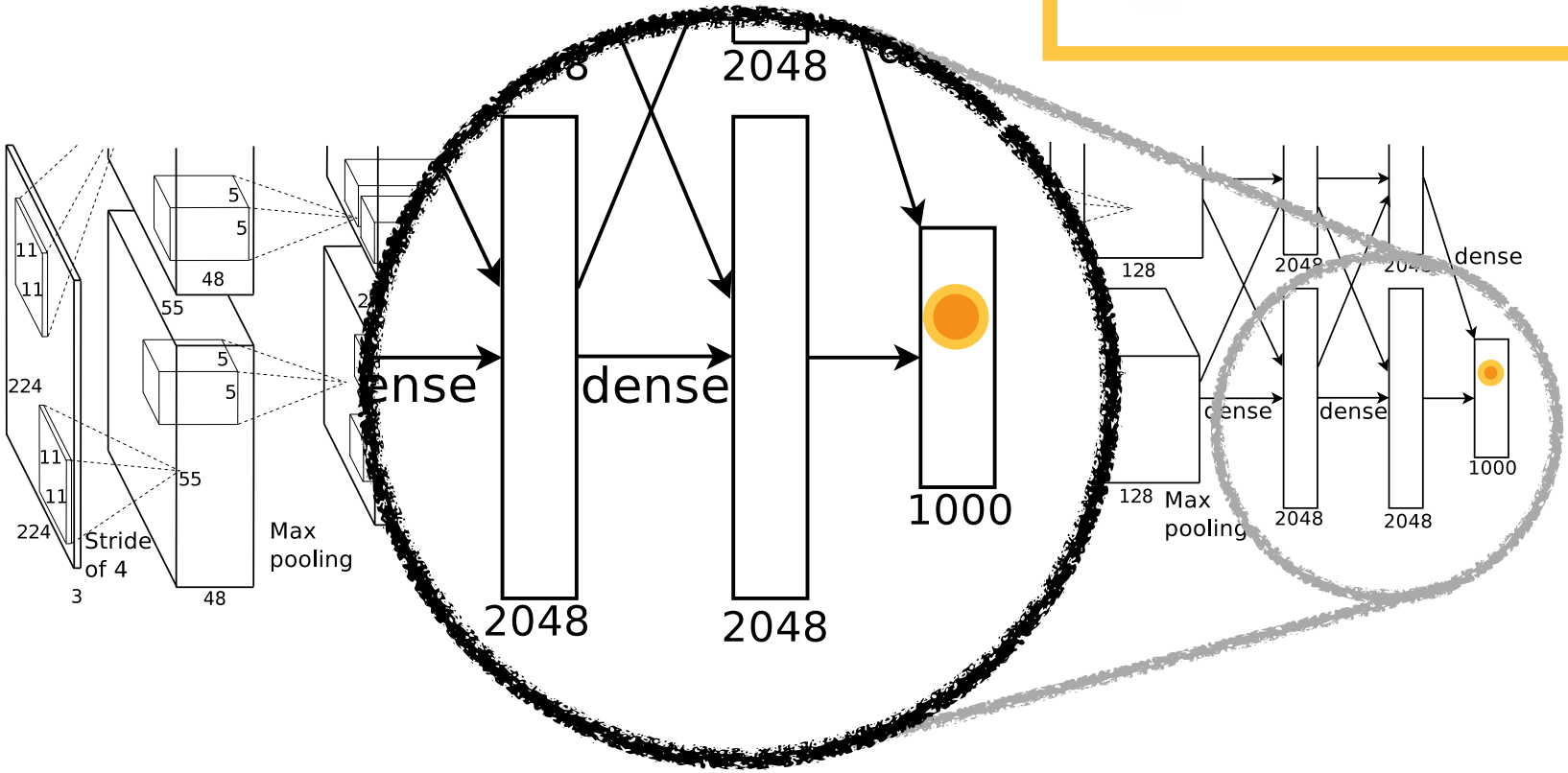
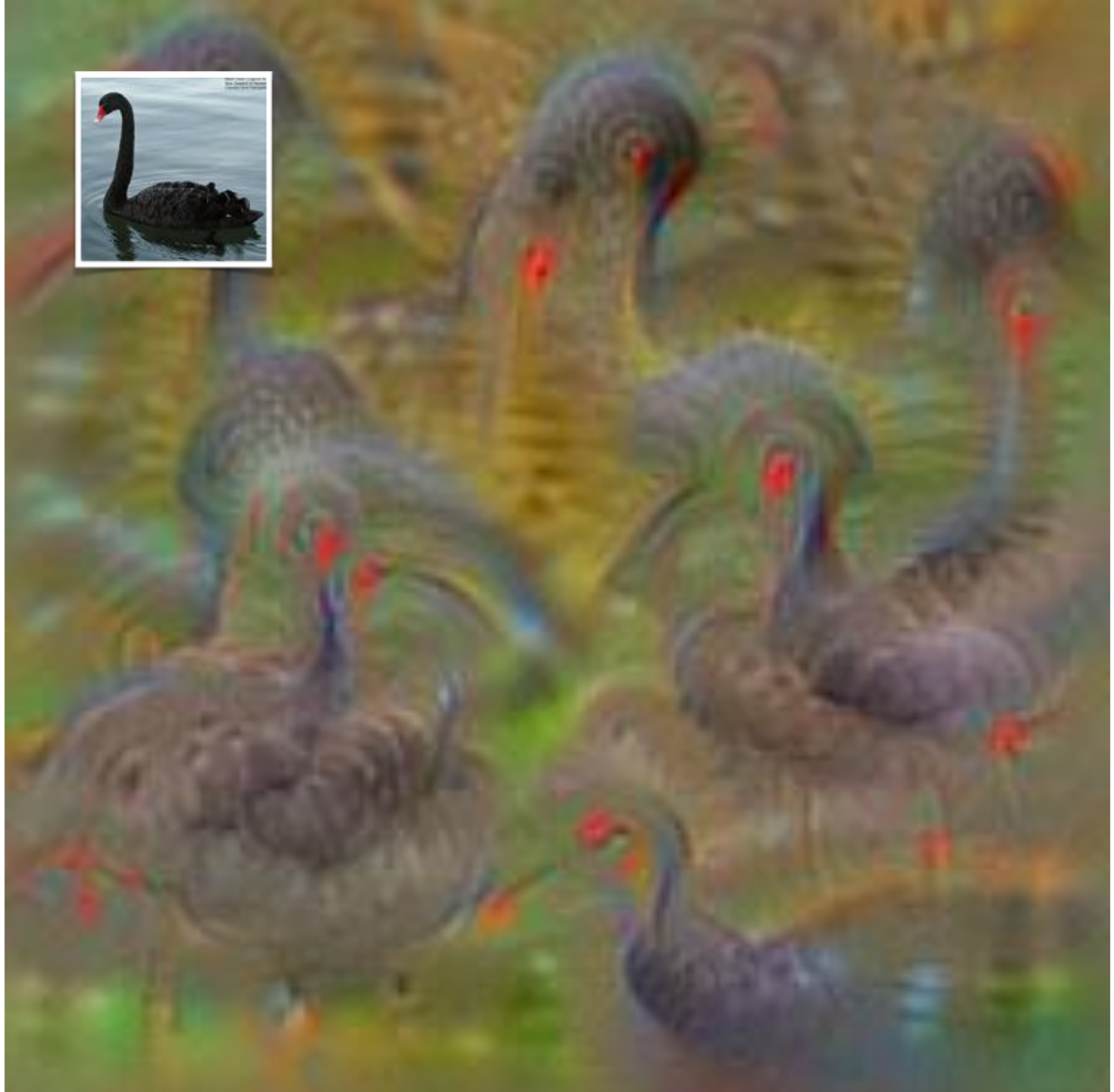
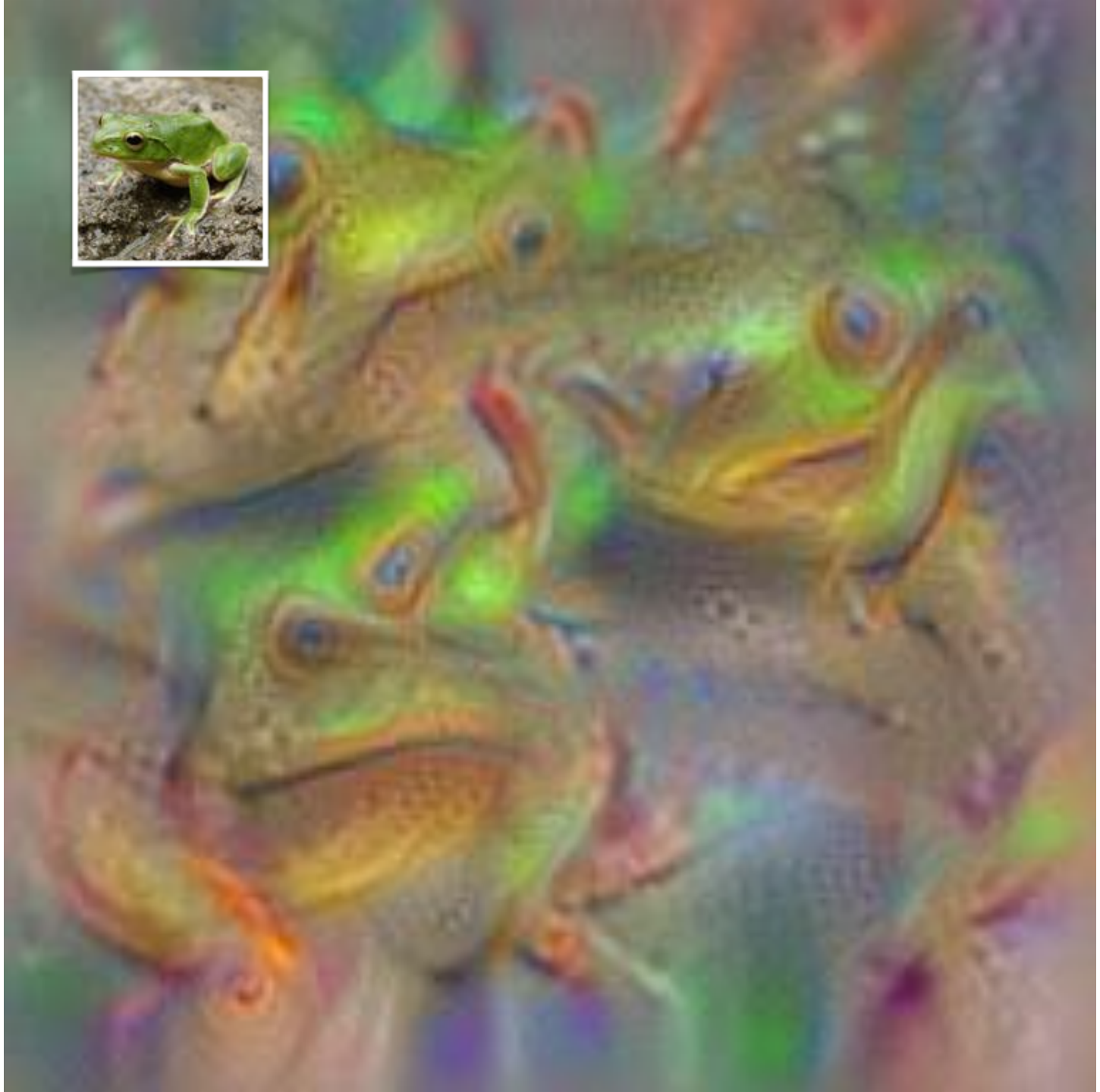
Activation Maximization

- Look for an image that maximally activates a **specific feature component**

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} -\langle \mathbf{e}_k, \Phi(\mathbf{x}) \rangle + R_{TV}(\mathbf{x}) + R_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$$







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Adding "multi-faceted" visualization gives even nicer results:
(Plus more careful regularization, center-bias)

Reconstructions of multiple feature types (facets) recognized by the same "grocery store" neuron

Corresponding example training set images recognized by the same neuron as in the "grocery store" class

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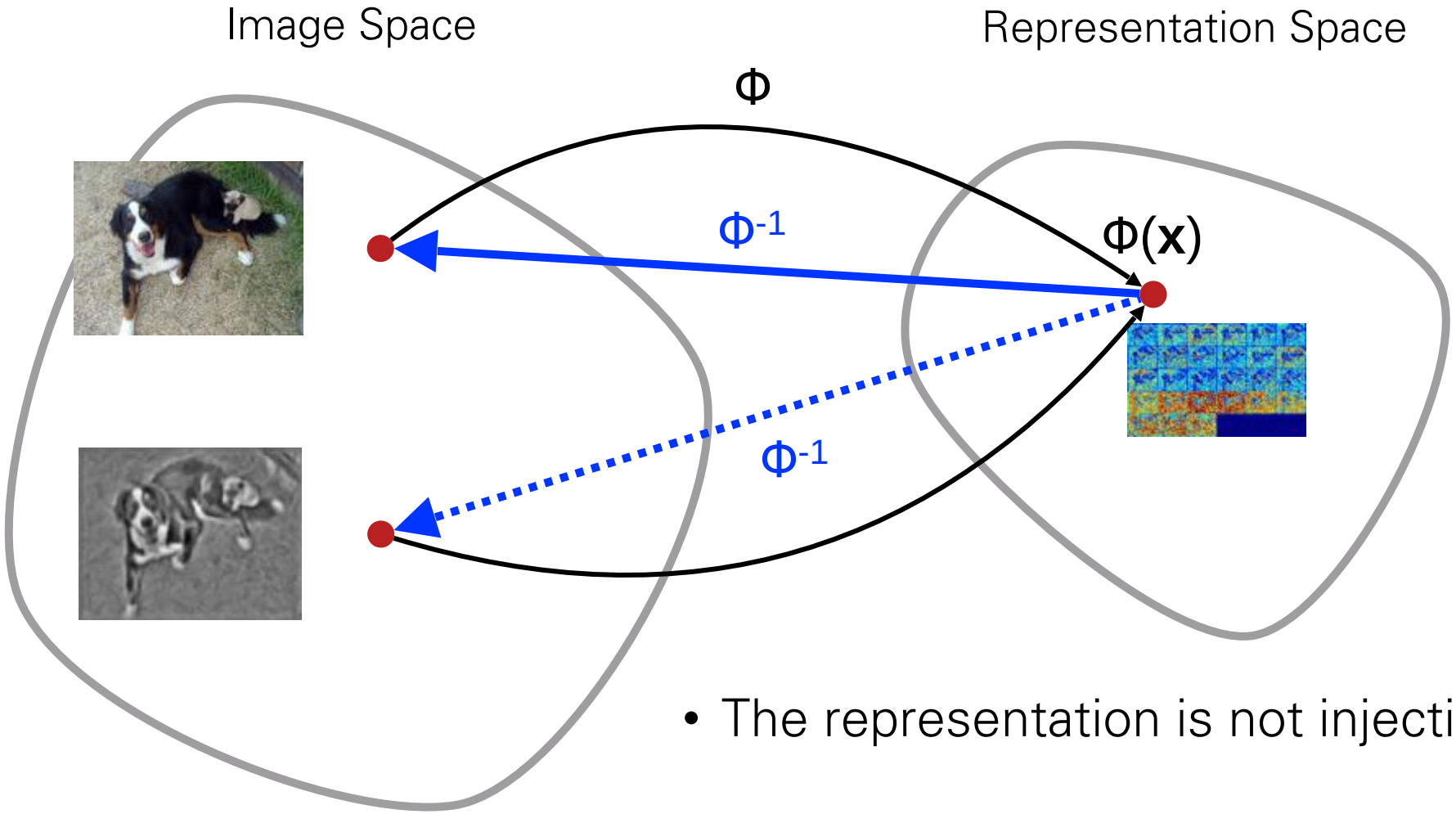
Understanding the Model: Pre-Images



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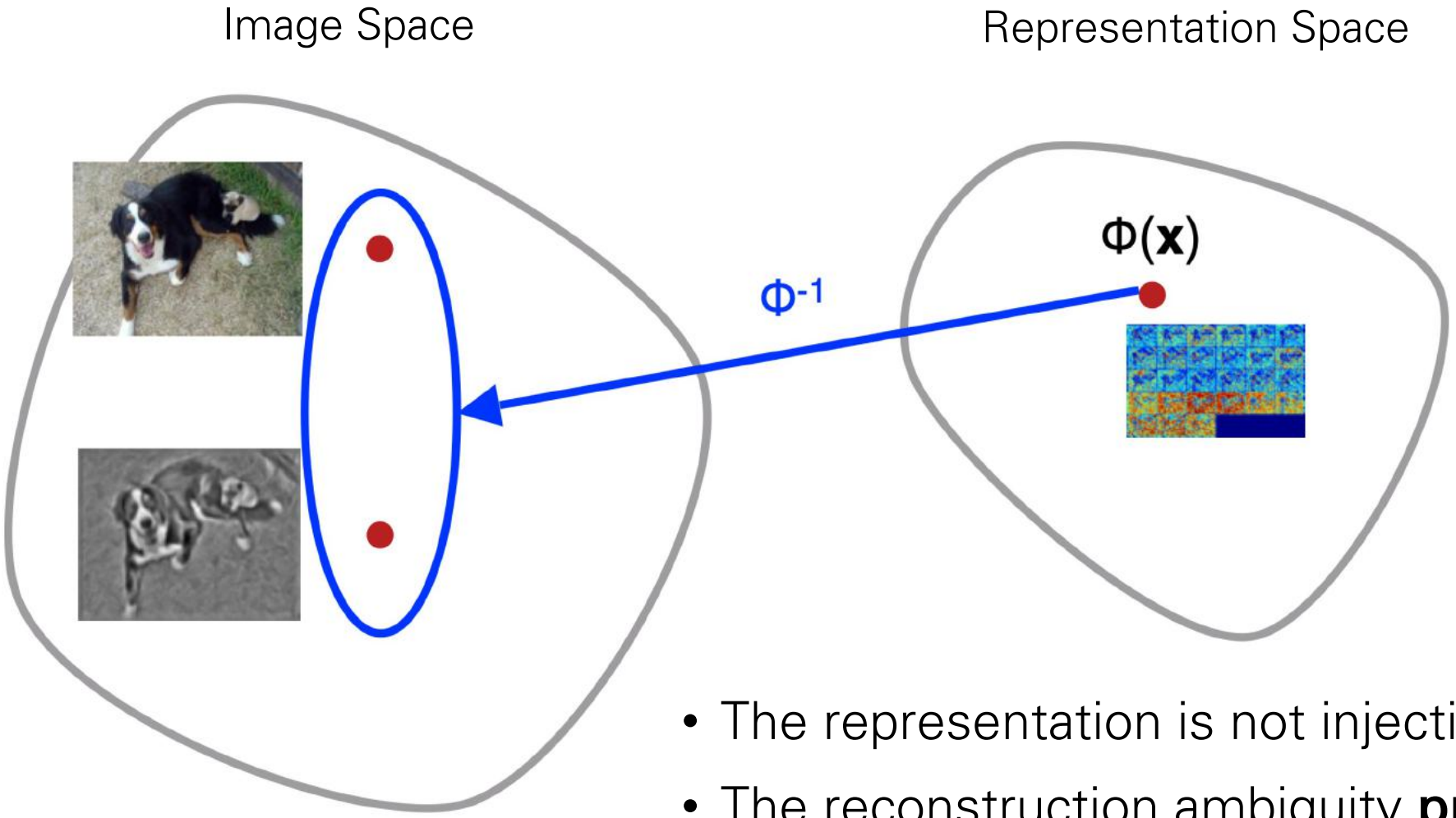

- The representation is not injective
- The reconstruction ambiguity **provides useful information about the representation**

Finding a Pre-Image

A simple yet general and effective method

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\Phi(\mathbf{x}) - \Phi_0\|_2^2$$

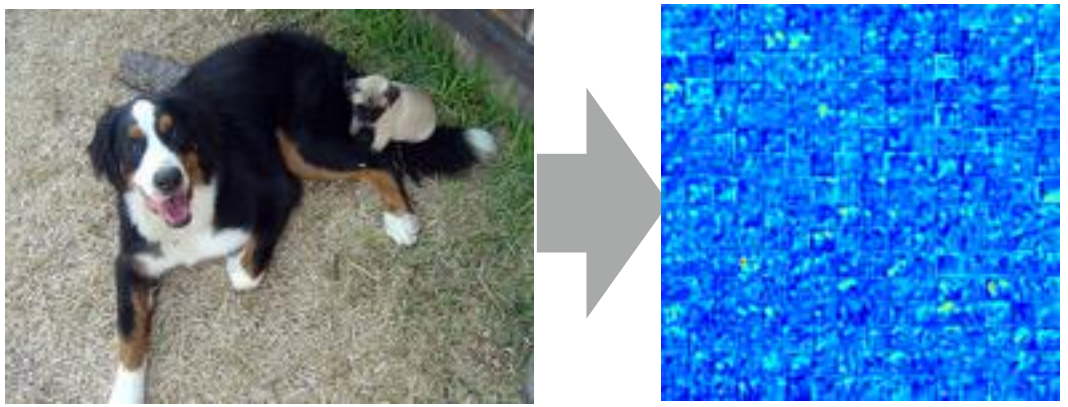

Image Representation

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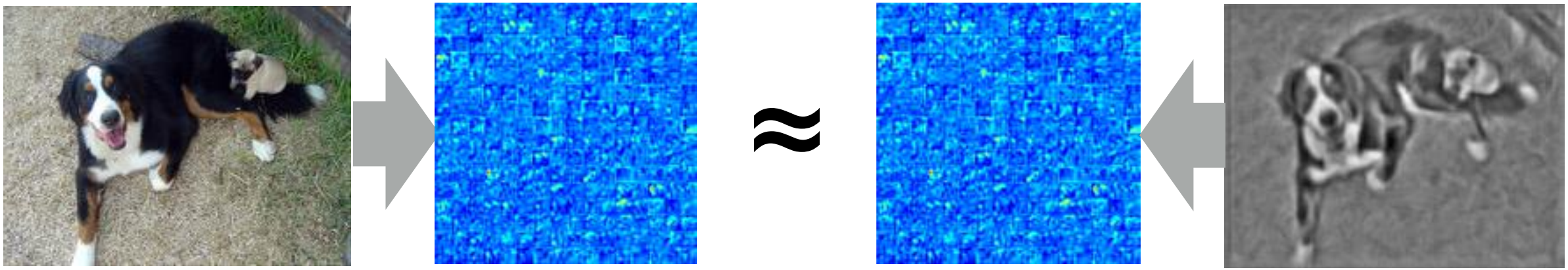

- Start from **random noise**
- Optimize using stochastic **gradient descent**

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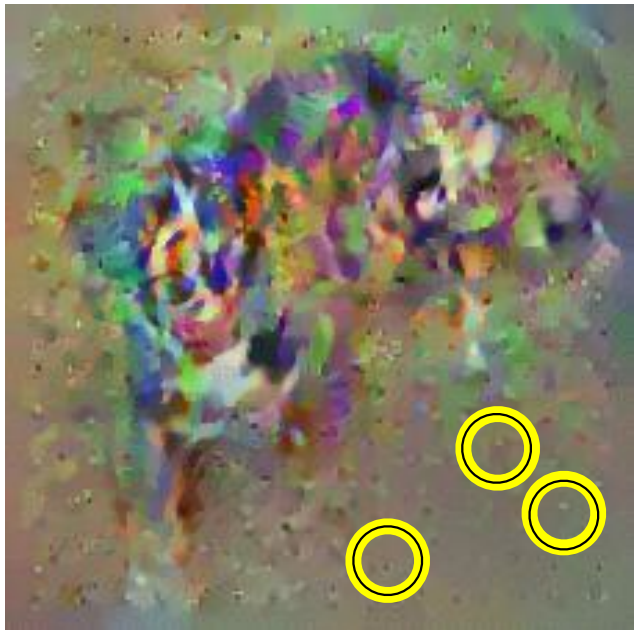
$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\Phi(\mathbf{x}) - \Phi_0\|_2^2 + R_{TV}(\mathbf{x})$$

No prior

TV-norm β = 1



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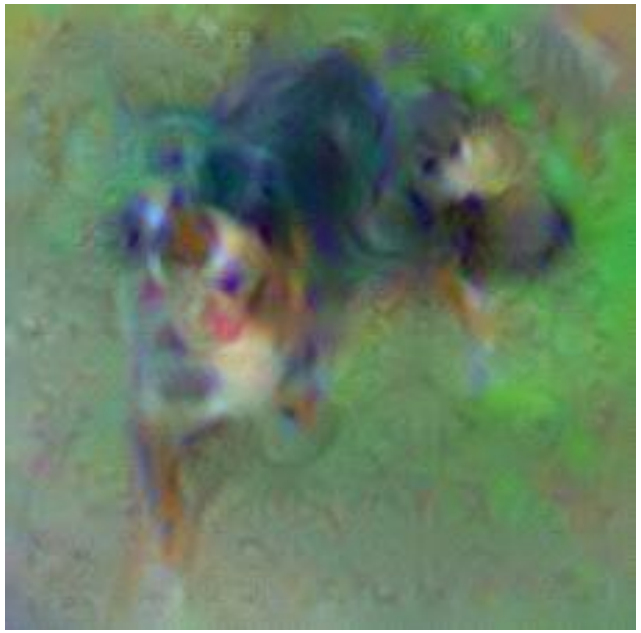
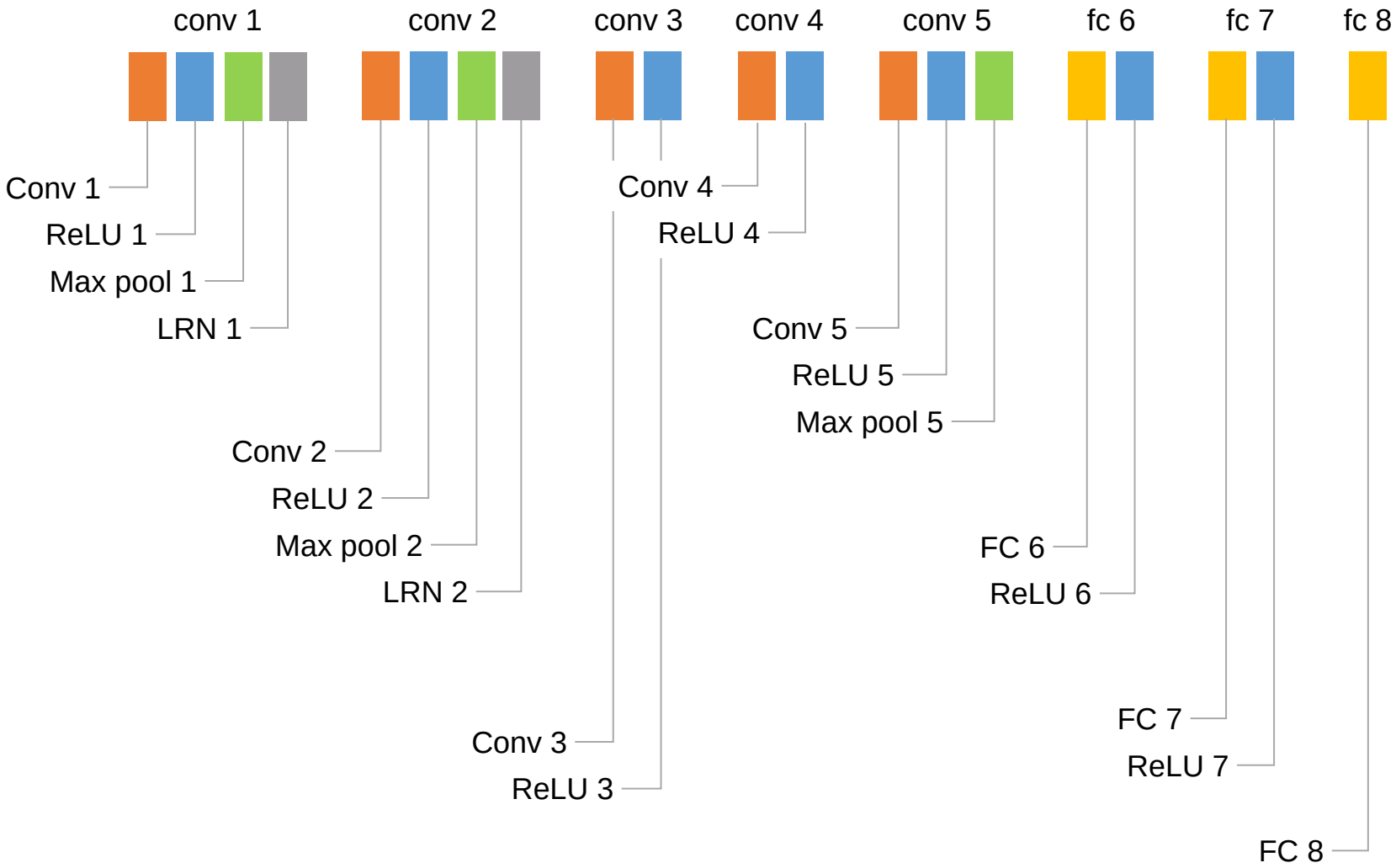


Inverting a Deep CNN

AlexNet [Krizhevsky et al. 2012]



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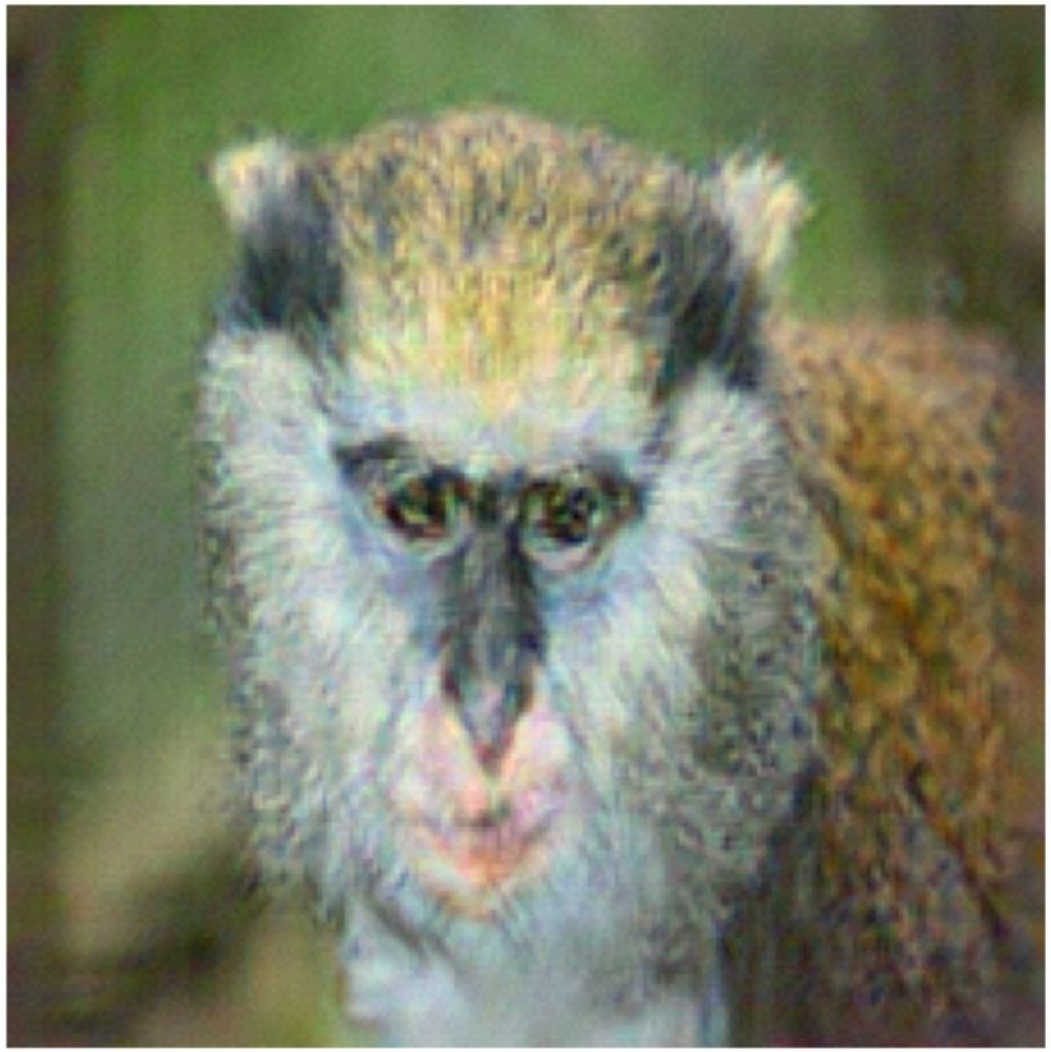

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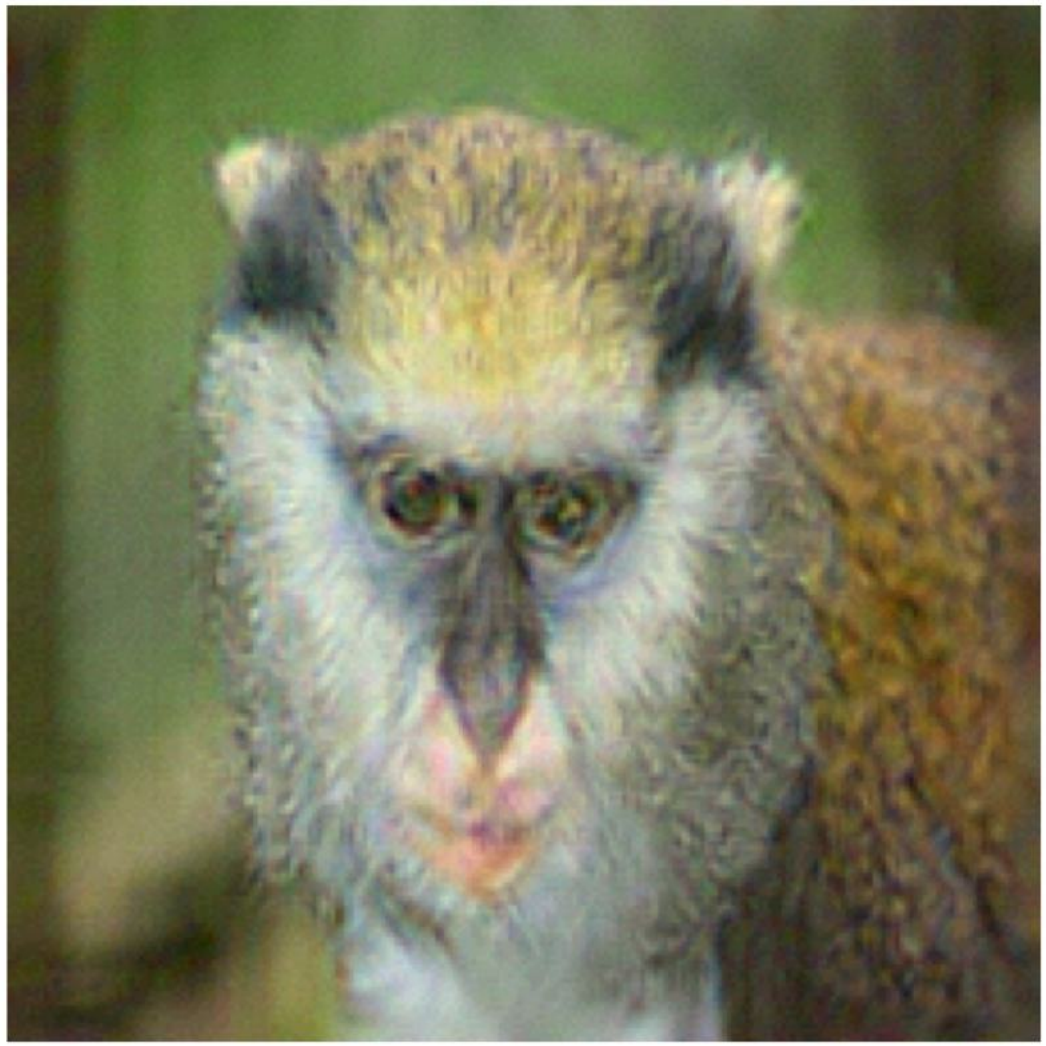

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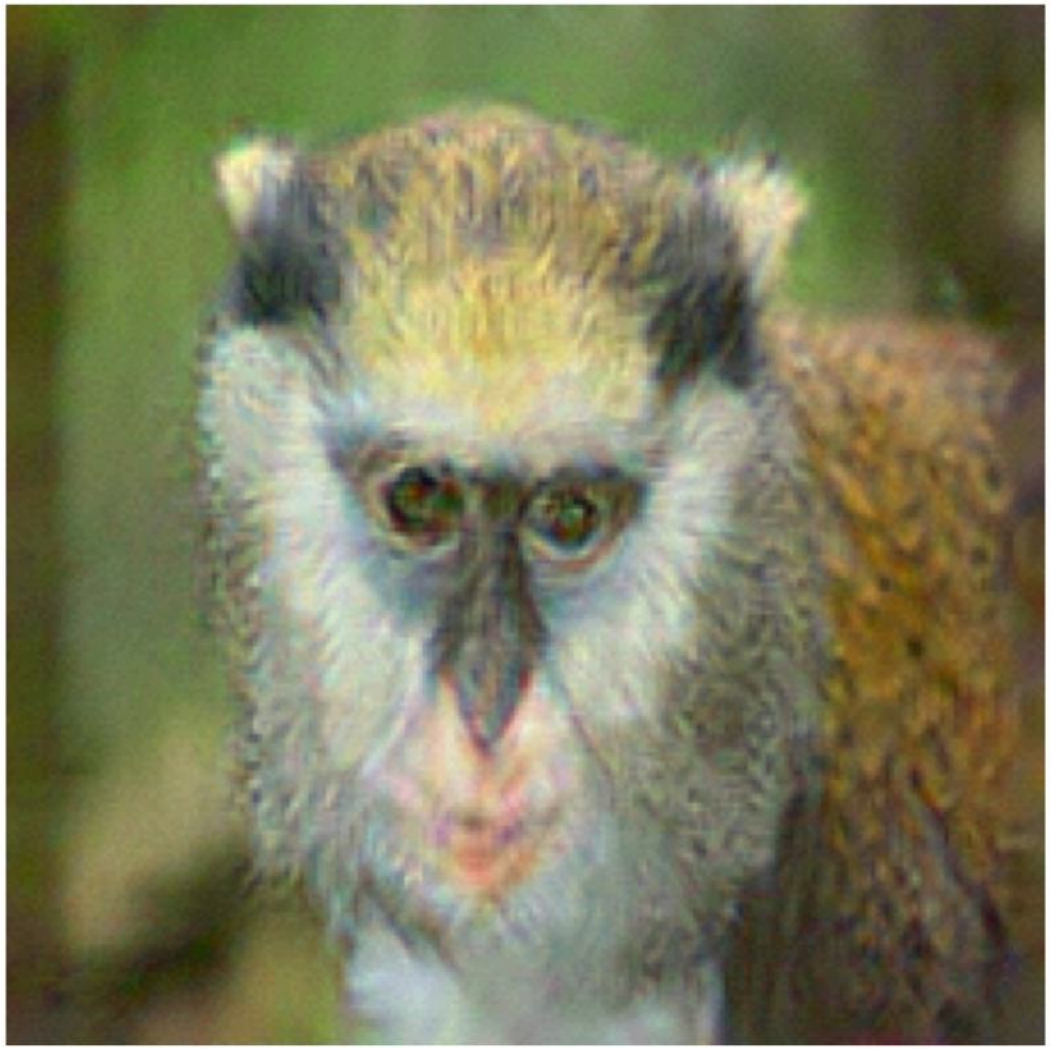

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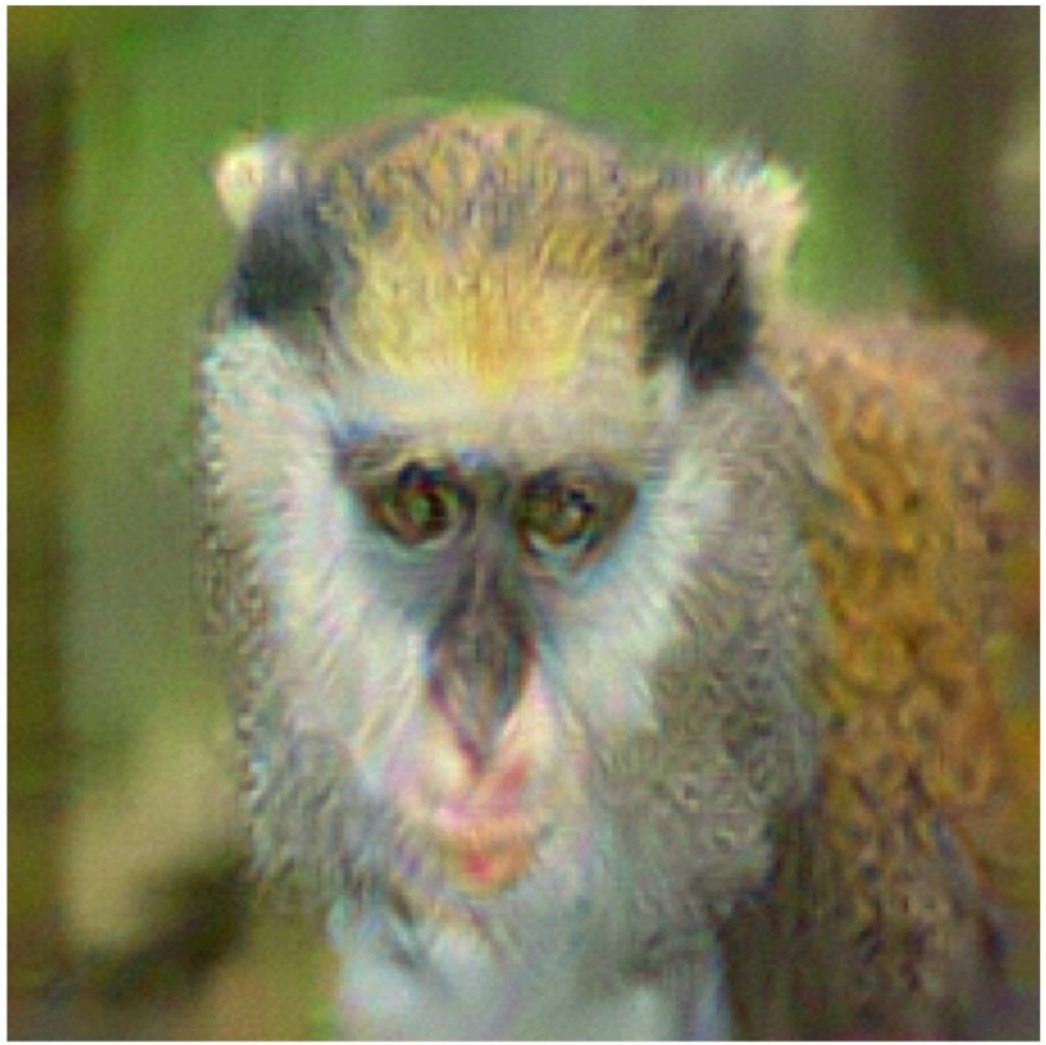

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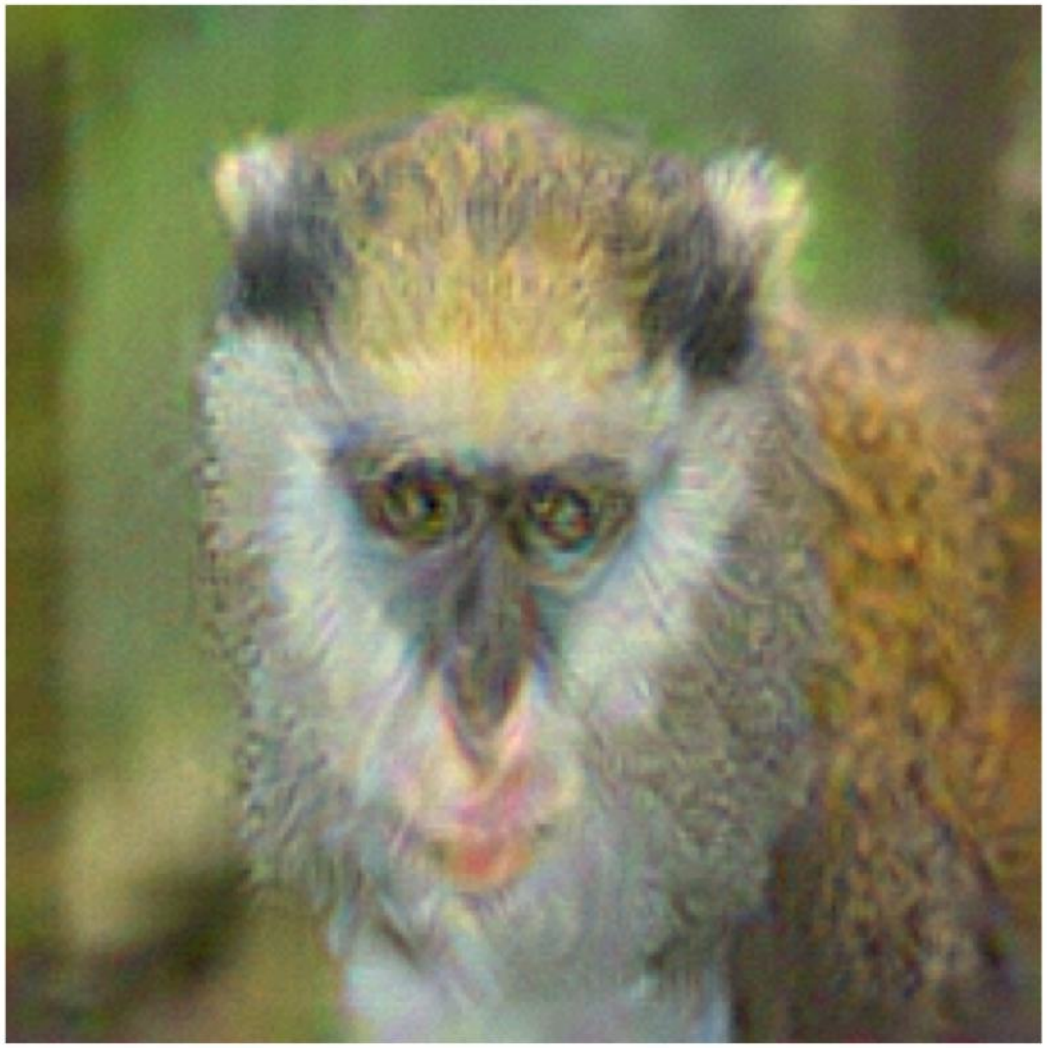

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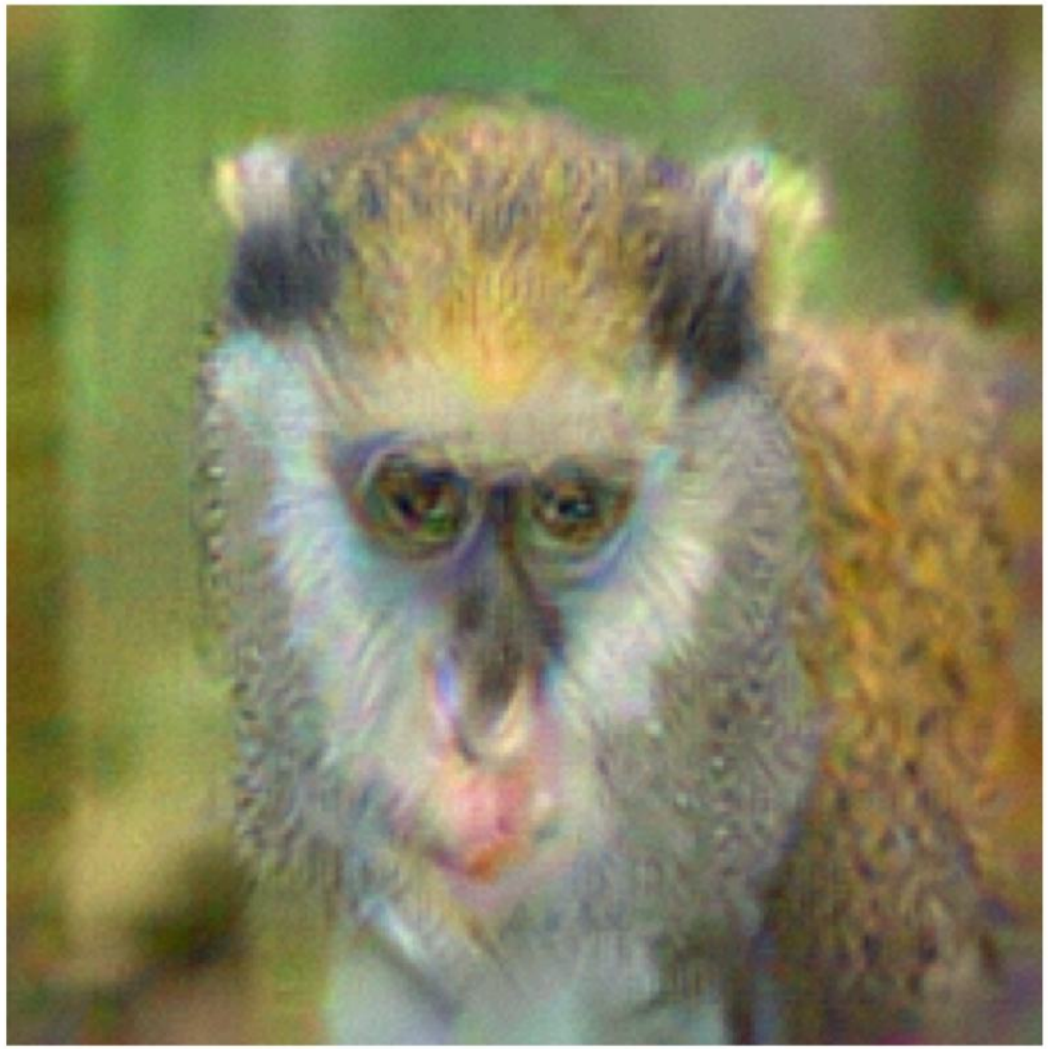

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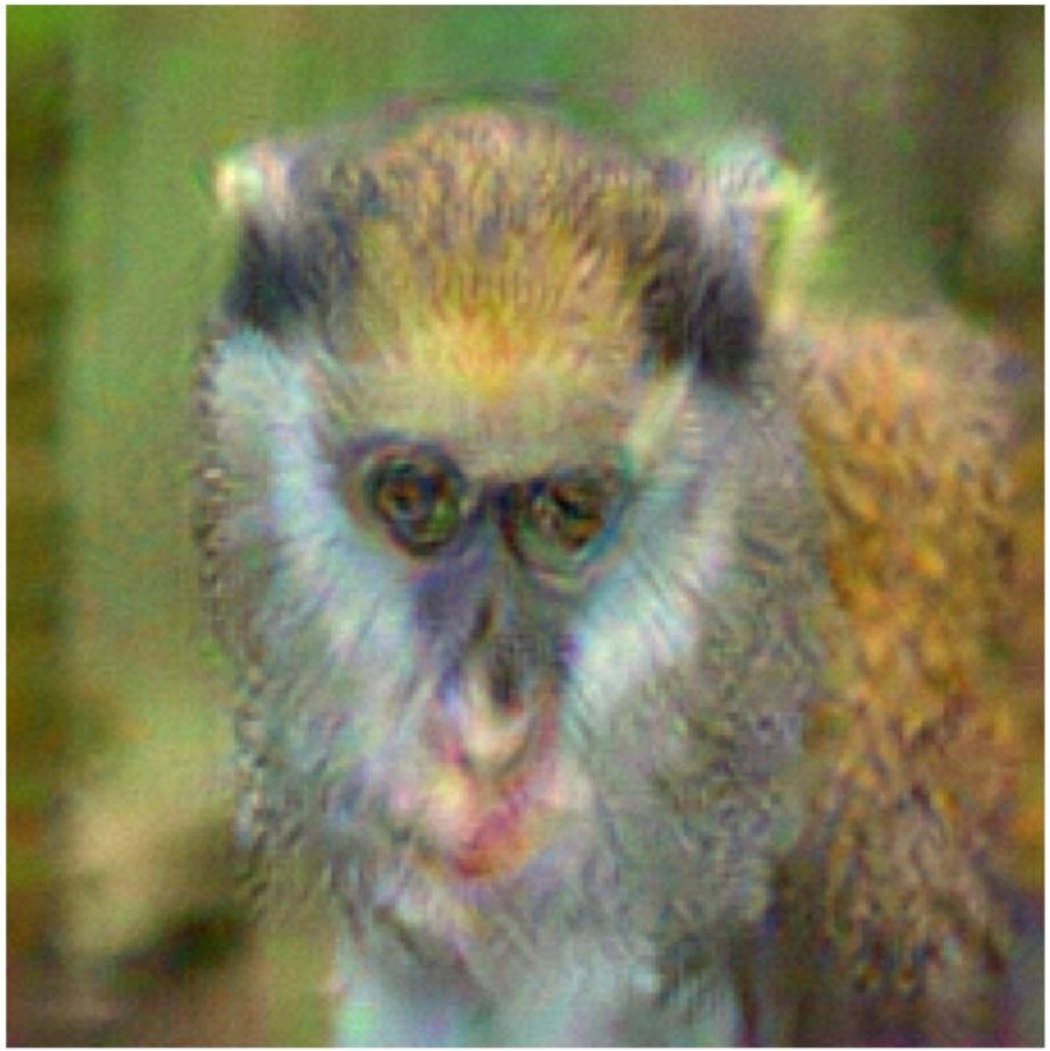

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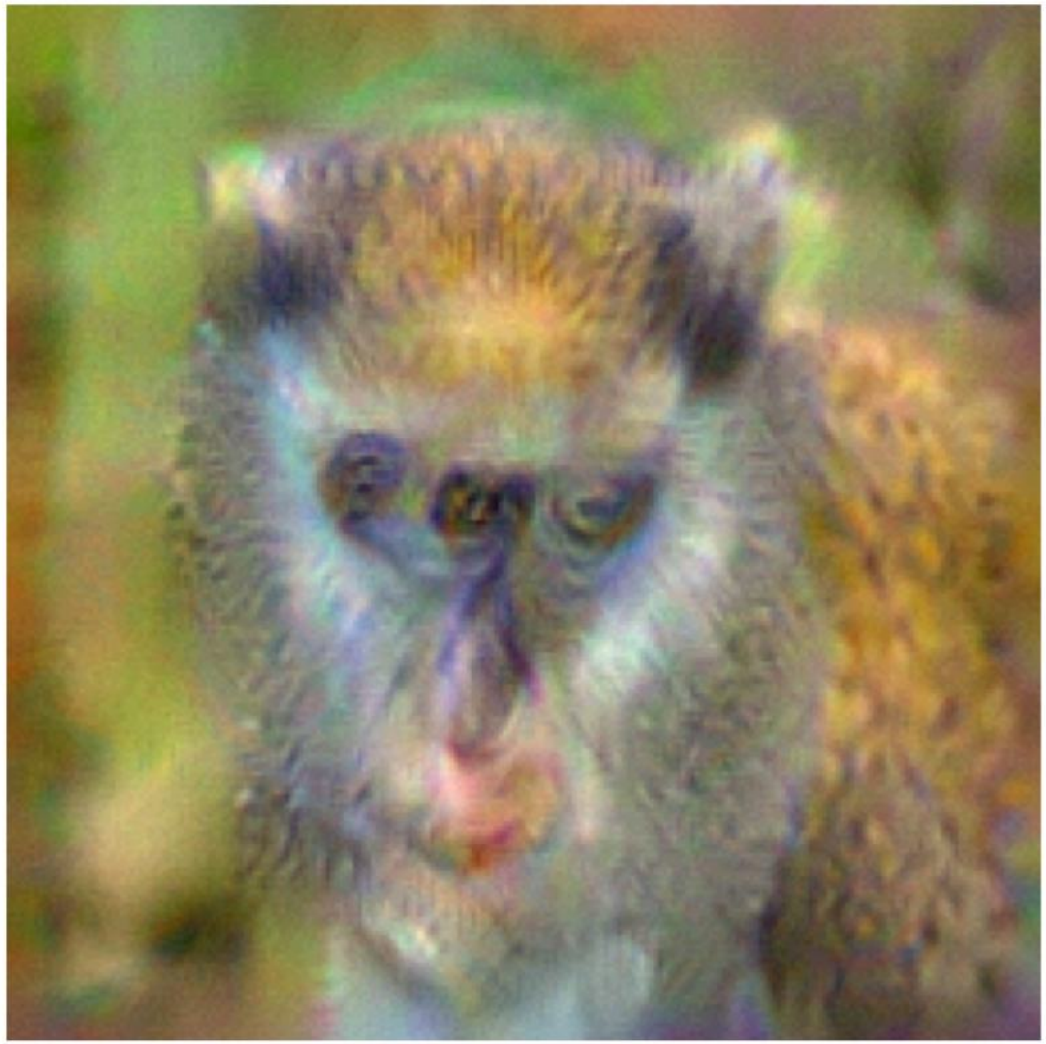

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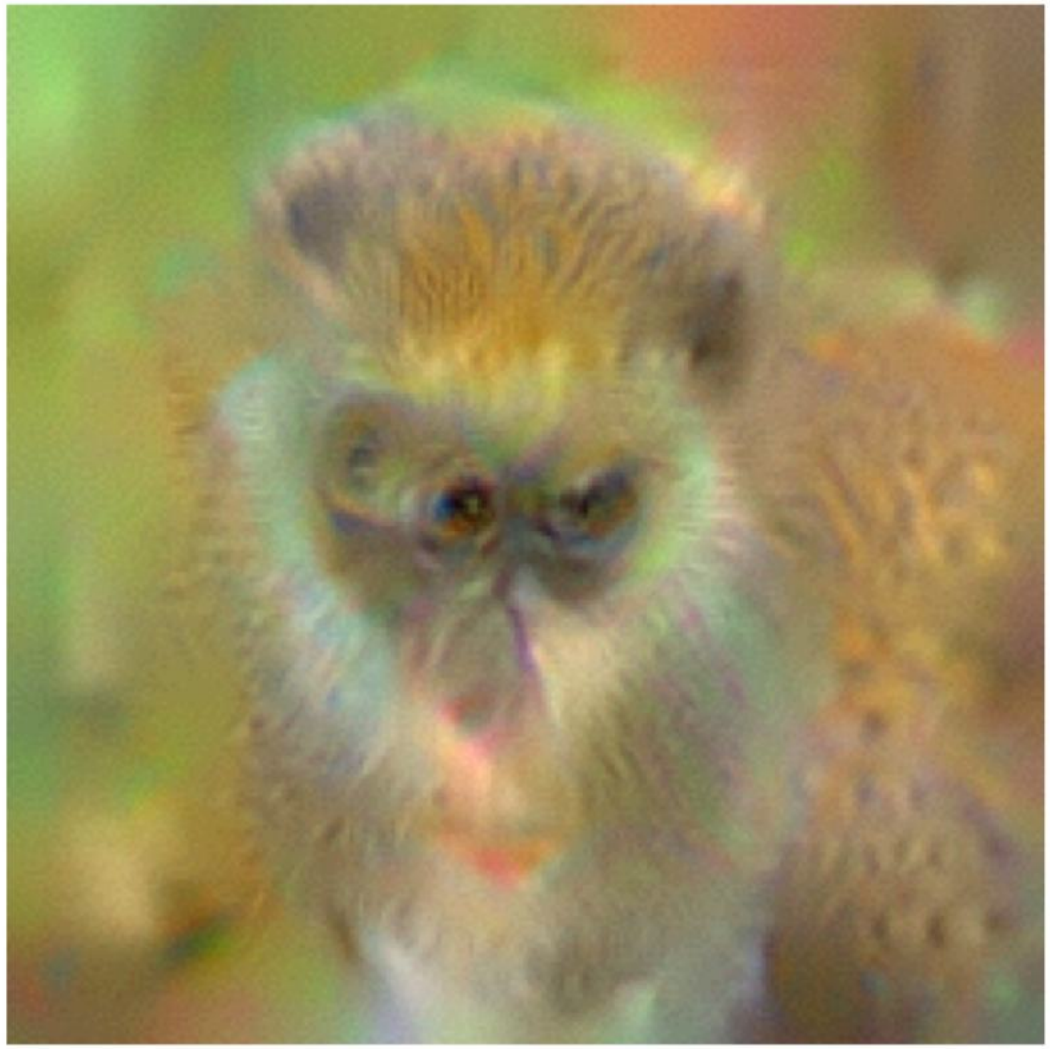

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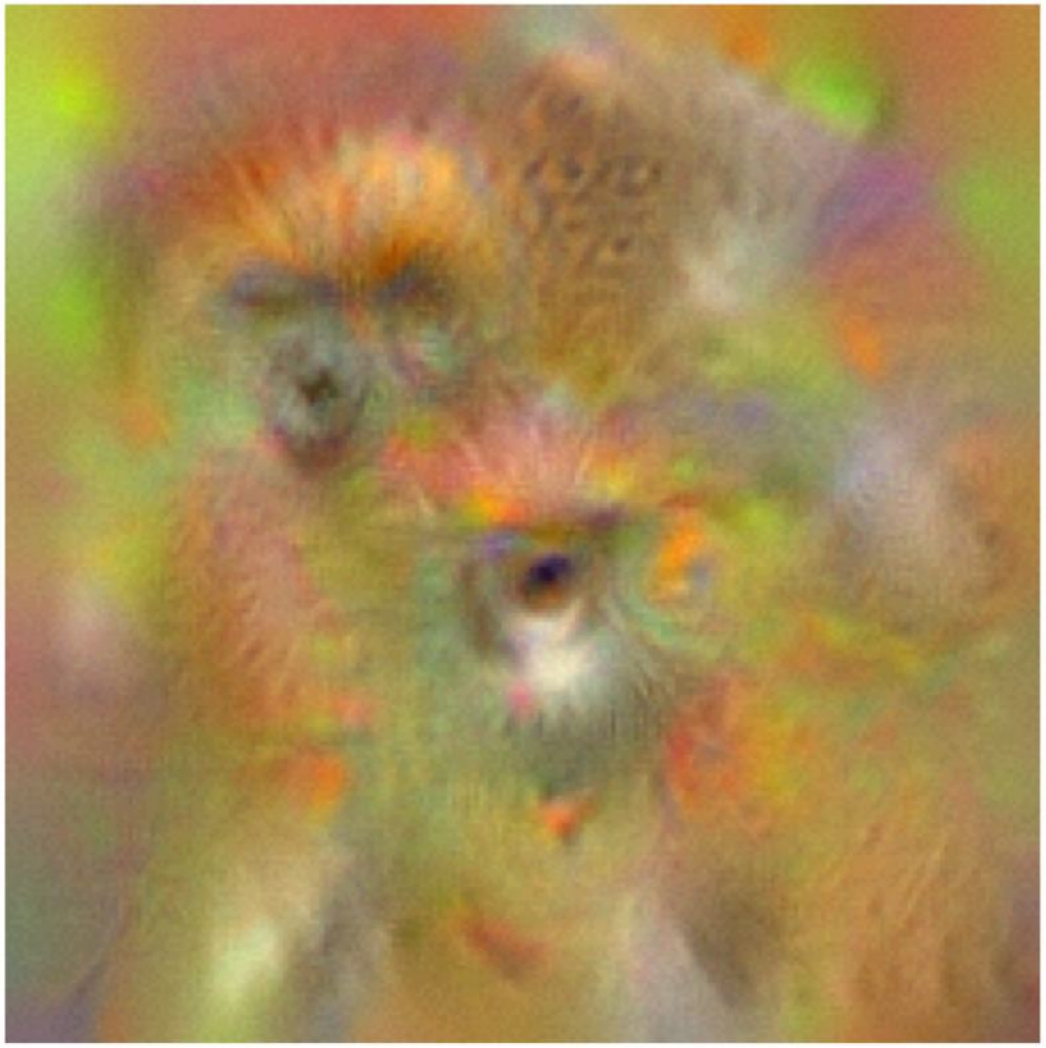

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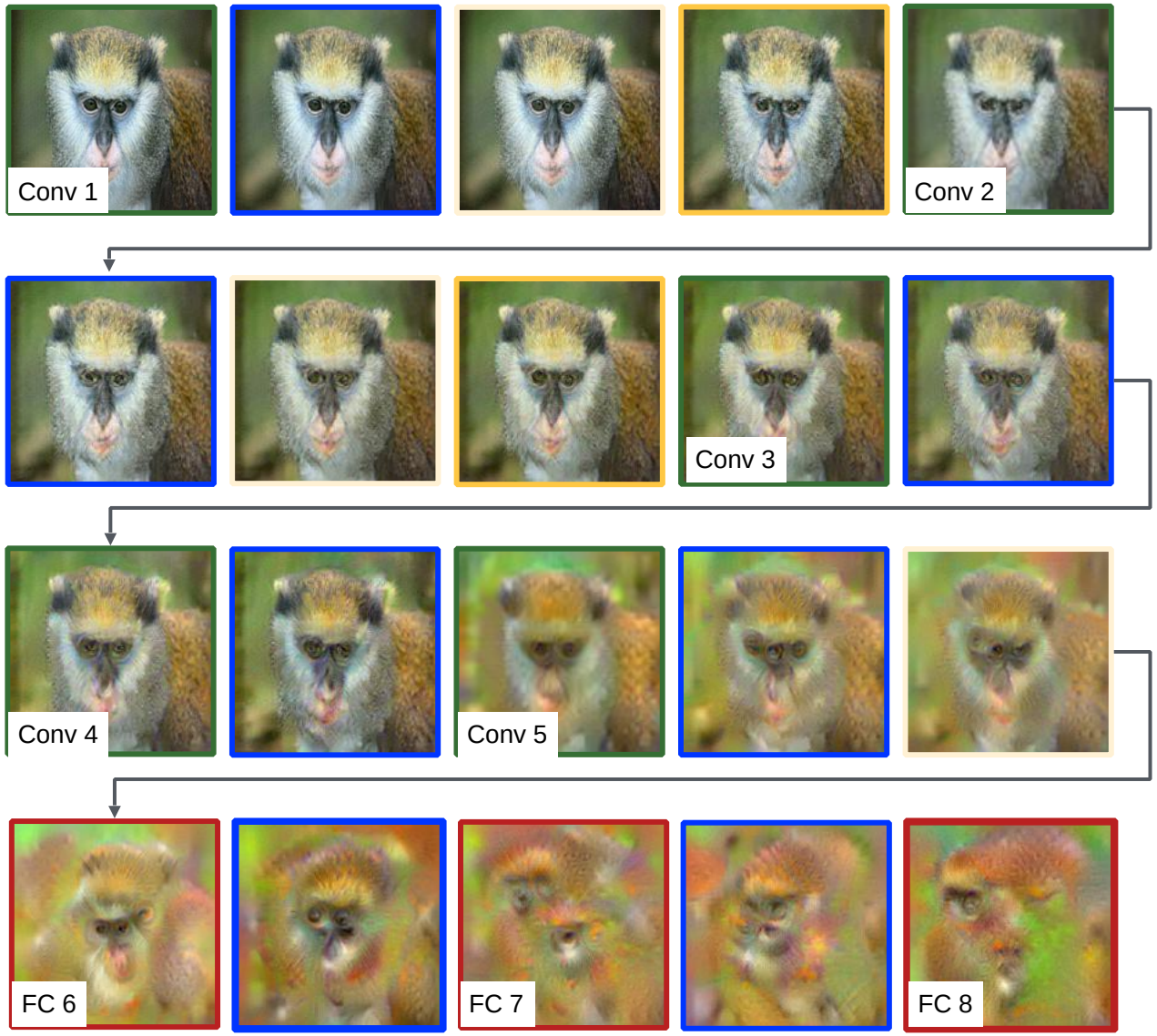
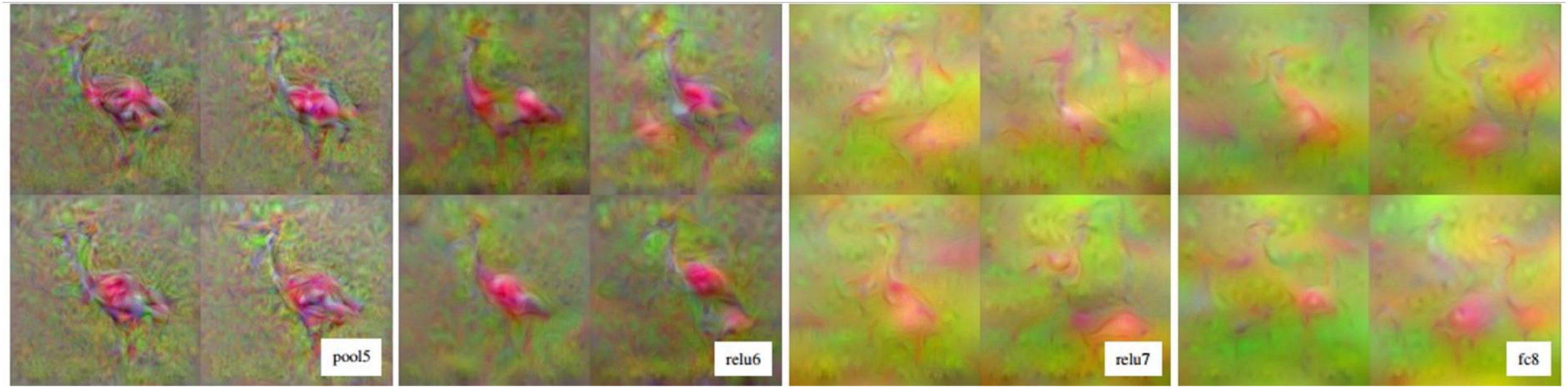


Multiple reconstructions. Images in quadrants all "look" the same to the CNN (same code)



Inverting Visual Representations with Convolutional Networks [Dosovitskiy and Brox2016]

Minimize mean squared error:

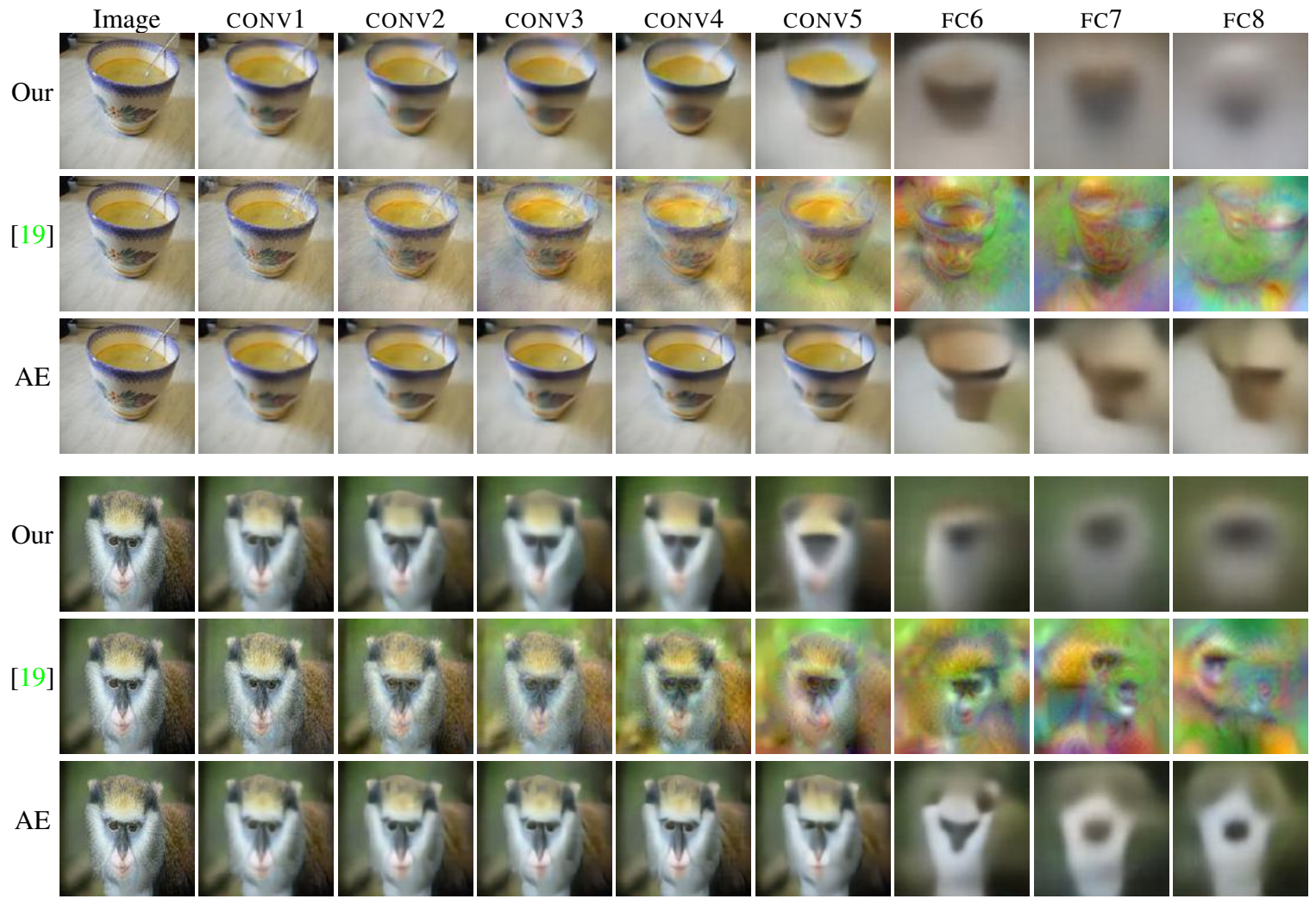
$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\phi}} \, ||\mathbf{x} - f(\boldsymbol{\phi})||^2$$

Pre-image as the conditional expectation:

$$\hat{f}(\boldsymbol{\phi}_0) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}} \left[\mathbf{x} \,|\, \boldsymbol{\phi} = \boldsymbol{\phi}_0 \right],$$

Given a training set of images and their features, learn weights of a deconv network:

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{w}} \sum_i ||\mathbf{x}_i - f(\boldsymbol{\phi}_i, \mathbf{w})||_2^2.$$



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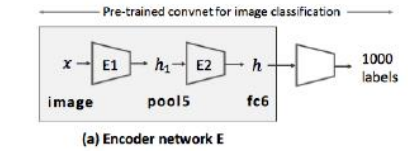

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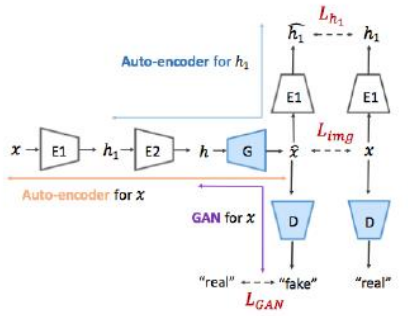
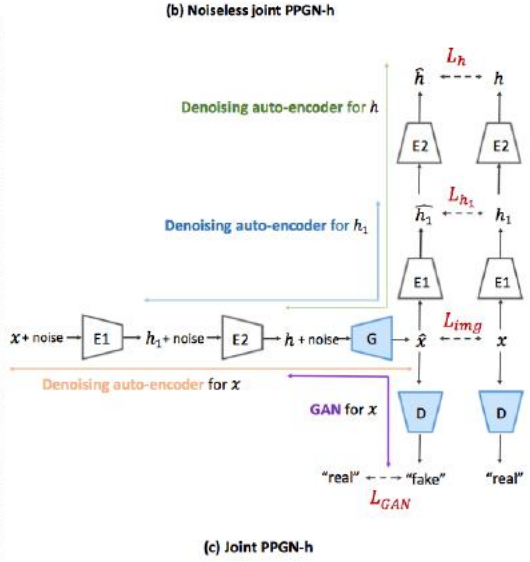
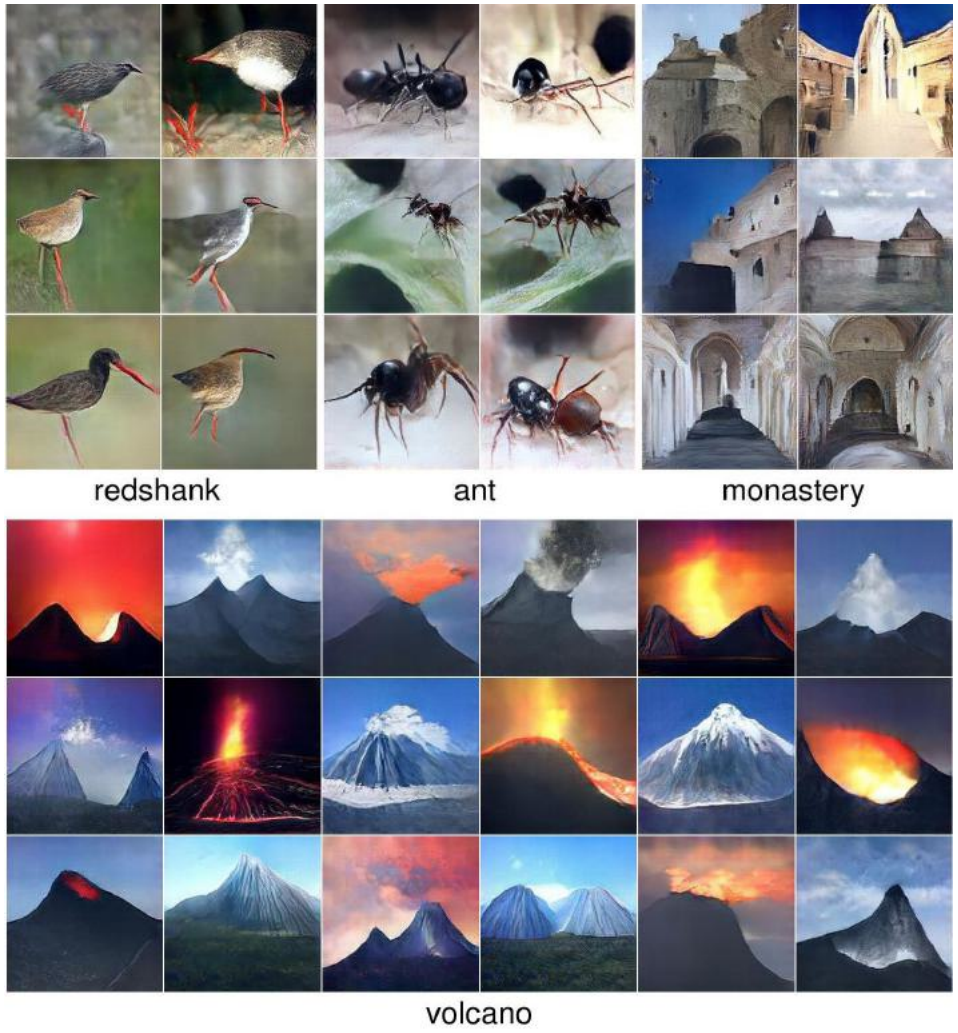


(b) Noiseless joint PPGN-h



(c) Joint PPGN-h

Employs auto-encoder and generative adversarial network components



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Caricaturization

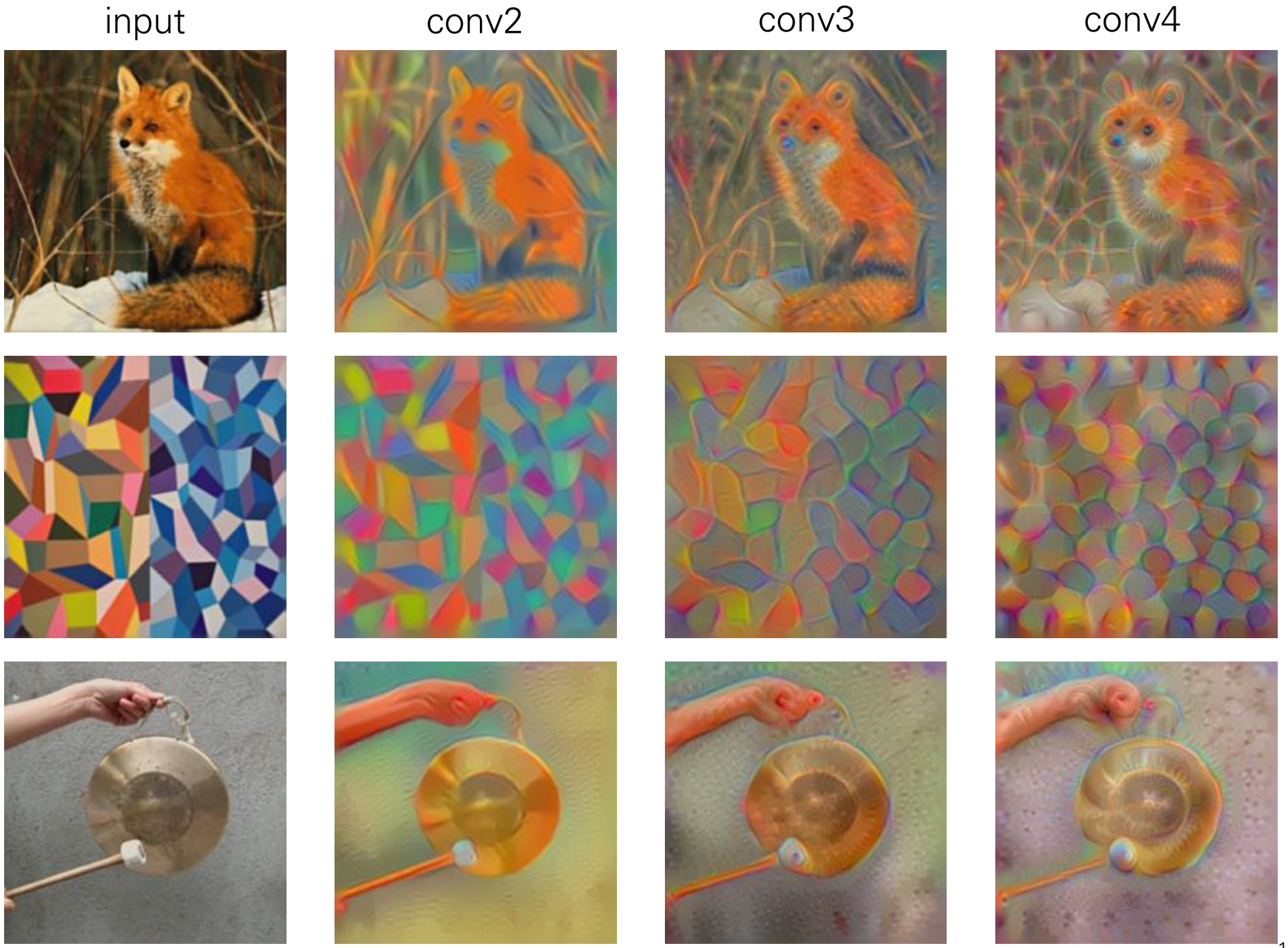
[Google Inceptionism 2015, Mahendran et al. 2015]

- Emphasize patterns that are detected by a certain representation

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} -\langle \Phi(\mathbf{x}_0), \Phi(\mathbf{x}) \rangle + R_{TV}(\mathbf{x}) + R_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Key differences:
  - The starting point **is** the image $\mathbf{x}_0$
  - particular configurations of features are emphasized, not individual features

Results (VGG-M)



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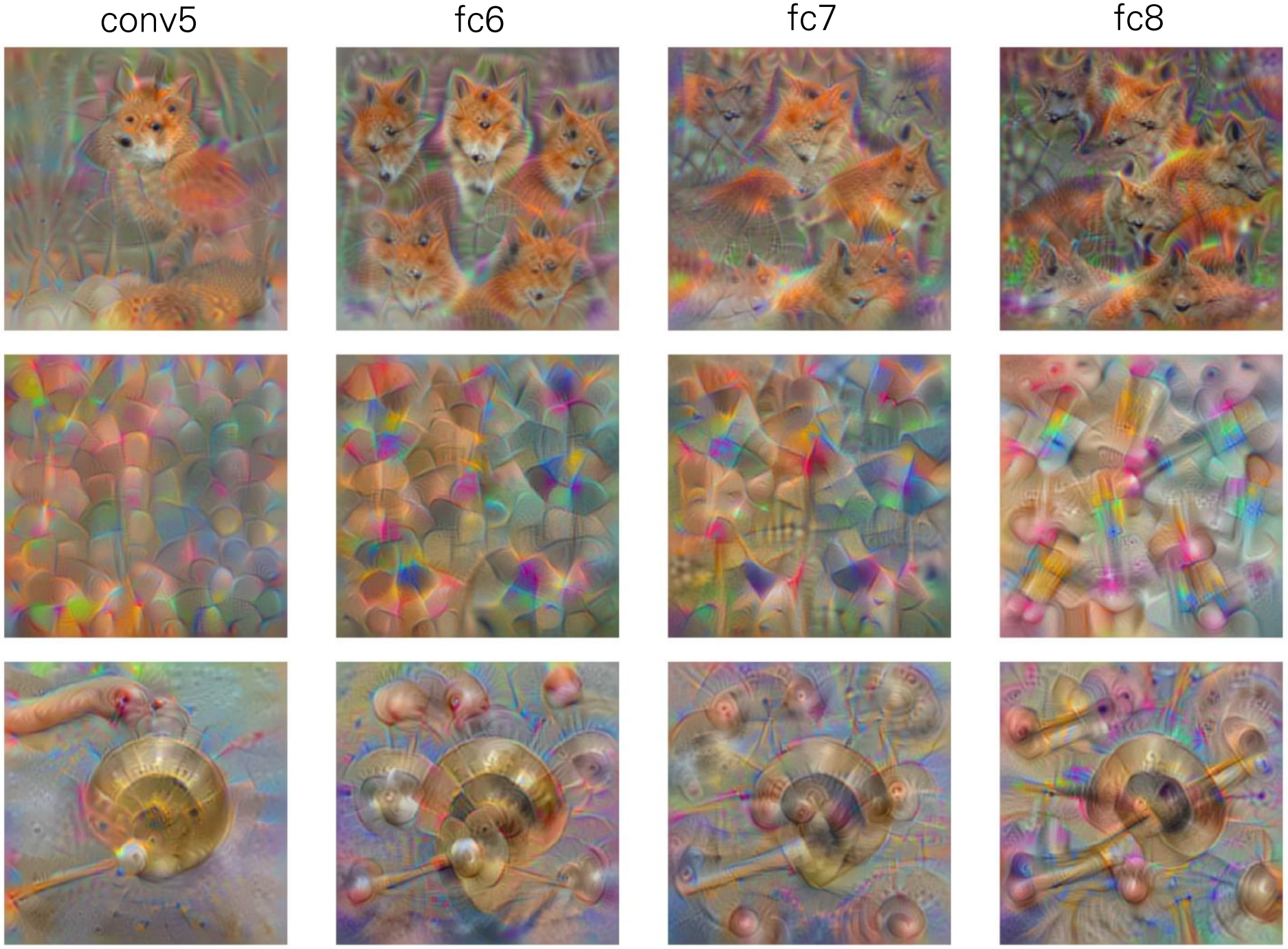


Interlude: Neural Art

- Surprisingly, the filters learned by discriminative neural networks capture well the "style" of an image.

  This can be used to transfer the style of an image (e.g. a painting) to any other.

Optimization based

- L. A. Gatys, A. S. Ecker, and M. Bethge. Texture synthesis and the controlled generation of natural stimuli using convolutional neural networks. In Proc. NIPS, 2015.

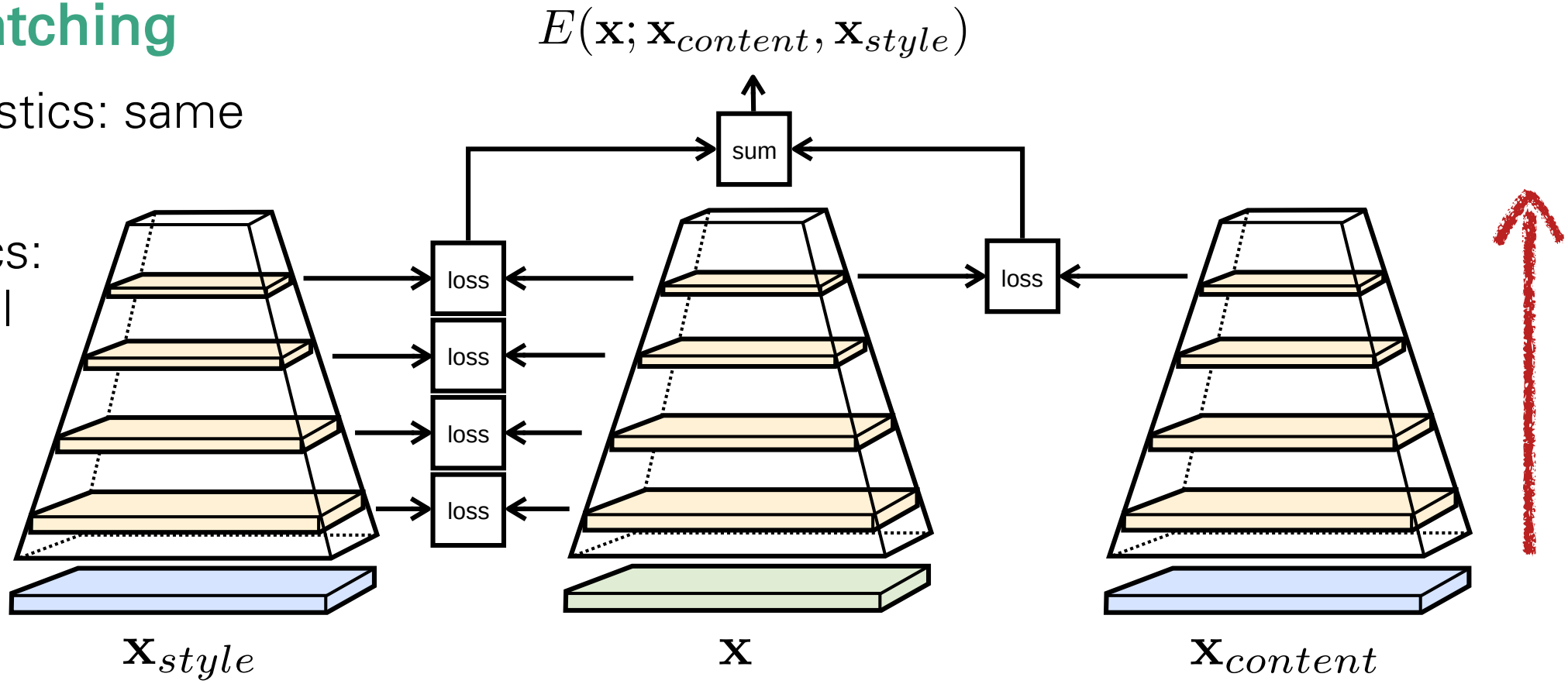
Feed-forward neural network equivalents

- D. Ulyanov, V. Lebedev, A. Vedaldi, and V. Lempitsky. Texture networks: Feed-forward synthesis of textures and stylized images. Proc. ICML, 2016.
- J. Johnson, A. Alahi, and L. Fei-Fei. Perceptual losses for real-time style transfer and super-resolution. In Proc. ECCV, 2016.

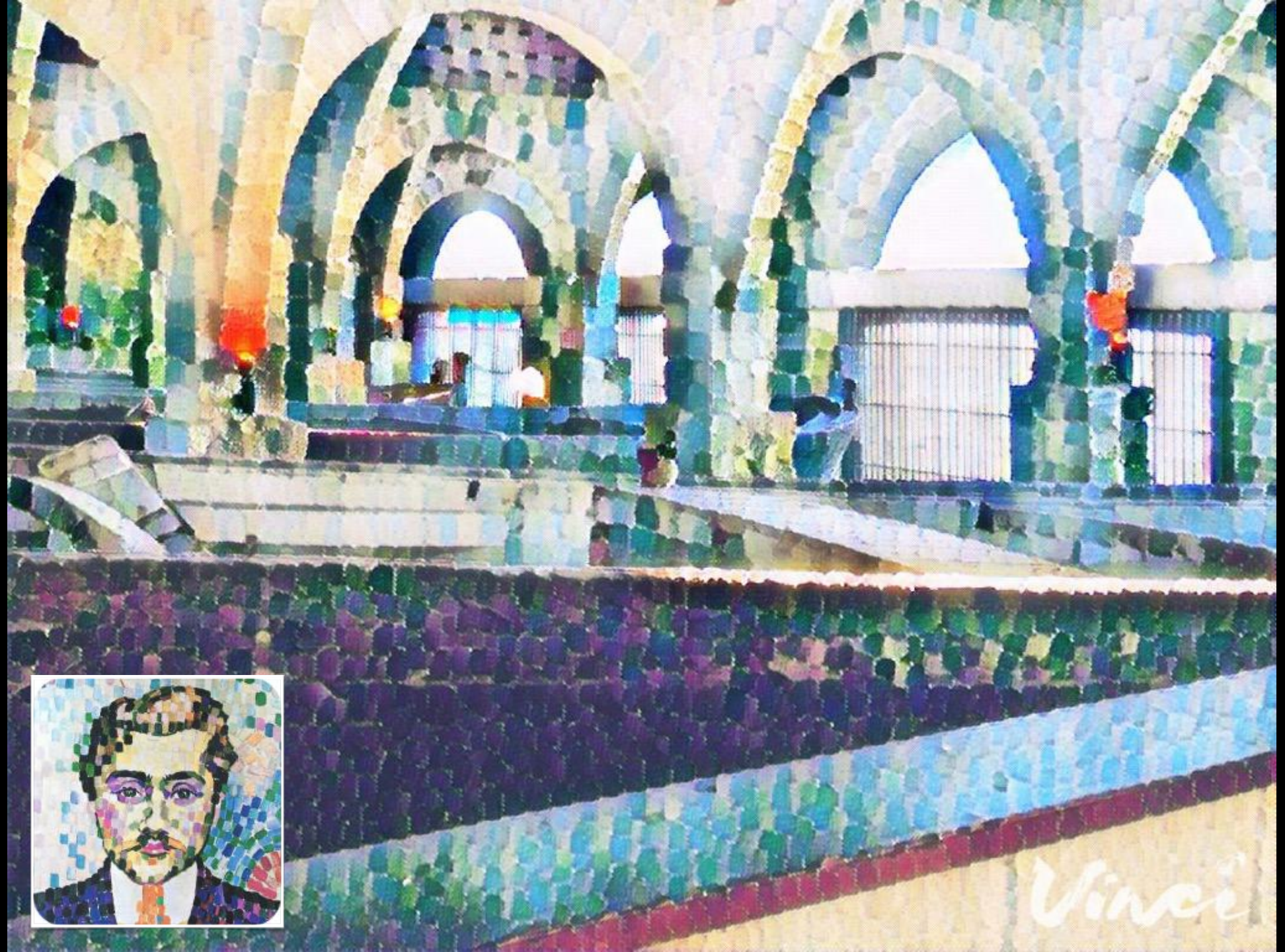
Generation by Moment Matching

Moment matching

- Content statistics: same as inversion
- Style statistics: cross-channel correlations



$$\mathbf{x}^* = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} E(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{x}_{content}, \mathbf{x}_{style})$$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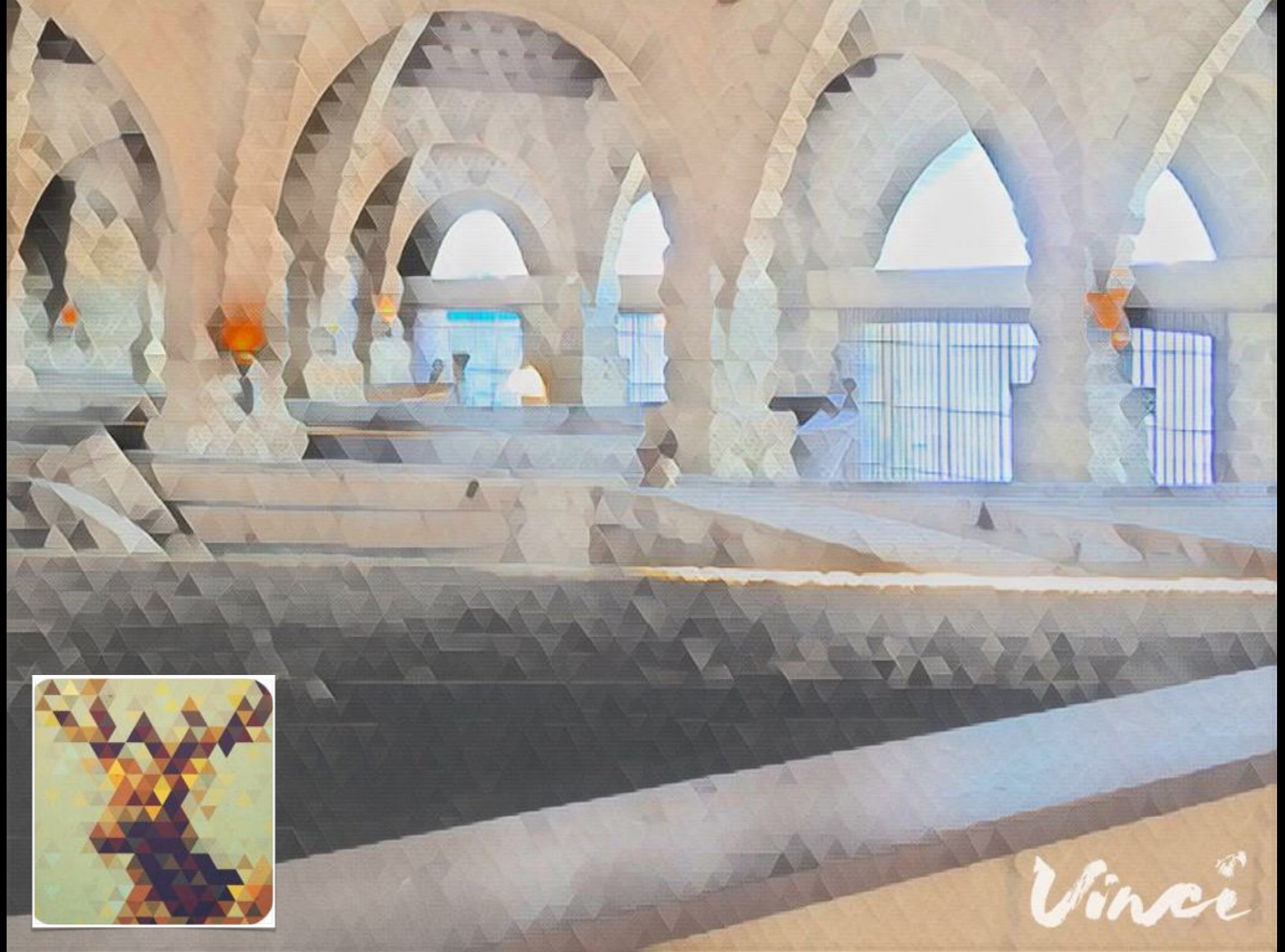
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Artistic style transfer for videos

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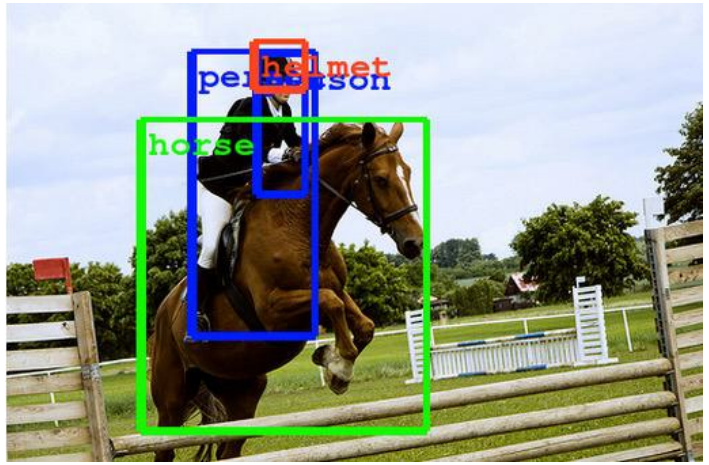
Fooling Deep Networks

Since 2013, deep neural networks have matched human performance at...



(Szegedy et al, 2014)

...recognizing objects and faces....

(Taigmen et al, 2013)

(Goodfellow et al, 2013)

...solving CAPTCHAS and reading addresses...

(Goodfellow et al, 2013)

and other tasks...

Fooling images

- What if we follow a similar procedure but with a different goal
- Generate “visually random” images
  - Images that make a lot of sense to a CNN but no sense at all to us
- Or, assume we make very small changes to a picture (invisible to the naked eye)
  - Is a CNN always invariant to these changes?
  - Or could it be fooled?

Adversarial Examples

1. Start from an arbitrary image
2. Pick an arbitrary category
3. Modify the image (via gradient ascent) to maximize the class score
4. Stop when the network is fooled

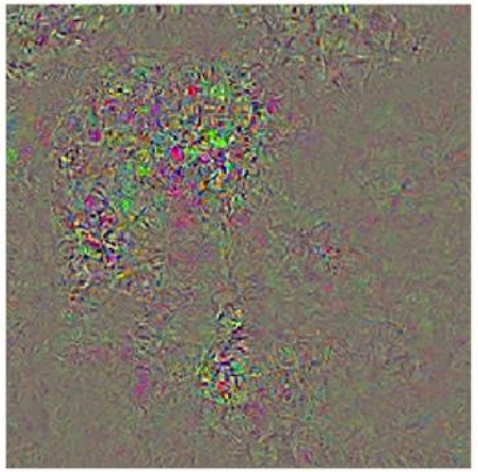
Adversarial Examples

African elephant

koala

Difference

10x Difference



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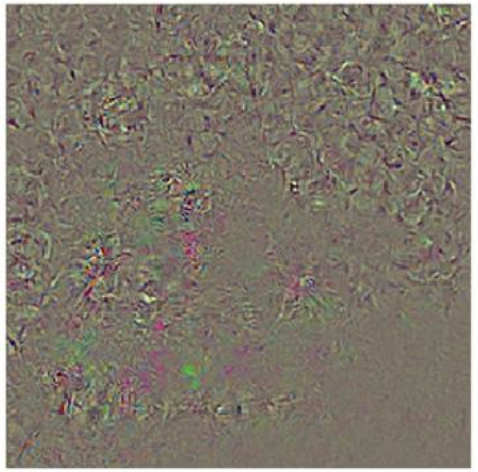

Adversarial Attacks and Defense

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Adversarial Defense: Change to network architecture, training, etc. that make it harder to attack

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Adversarial Attack: Method for generating adversarial examples for a network — Easy

Adversarial Defense: Change to network architecture, training, etc. that make it harder to attack — Hard

Adversarial Attacks

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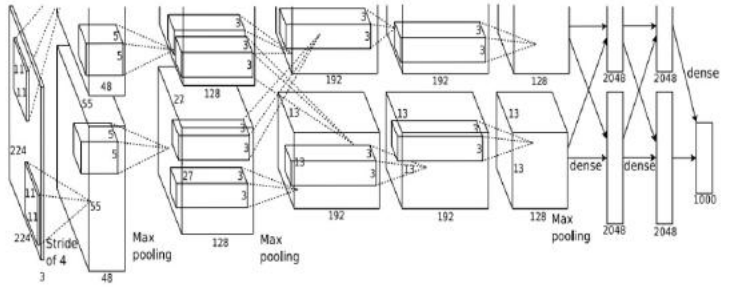

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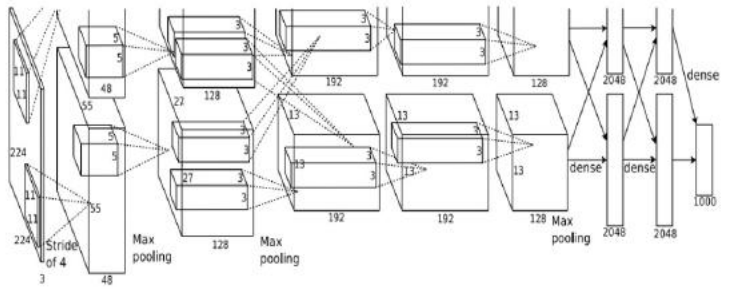

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Black-box attack: We don't know network architecture or weights; can only get network predictions for arbitrary input images

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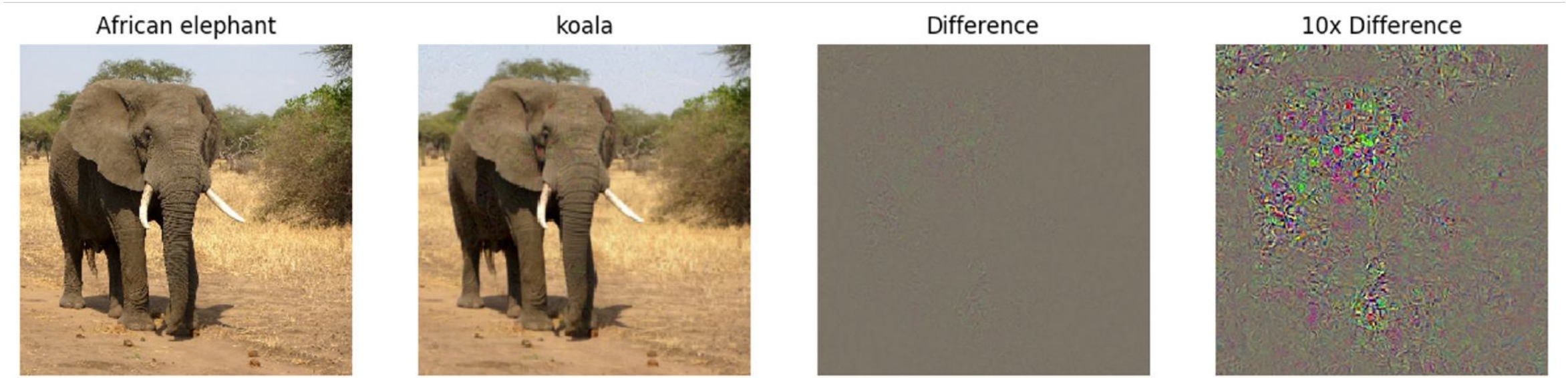
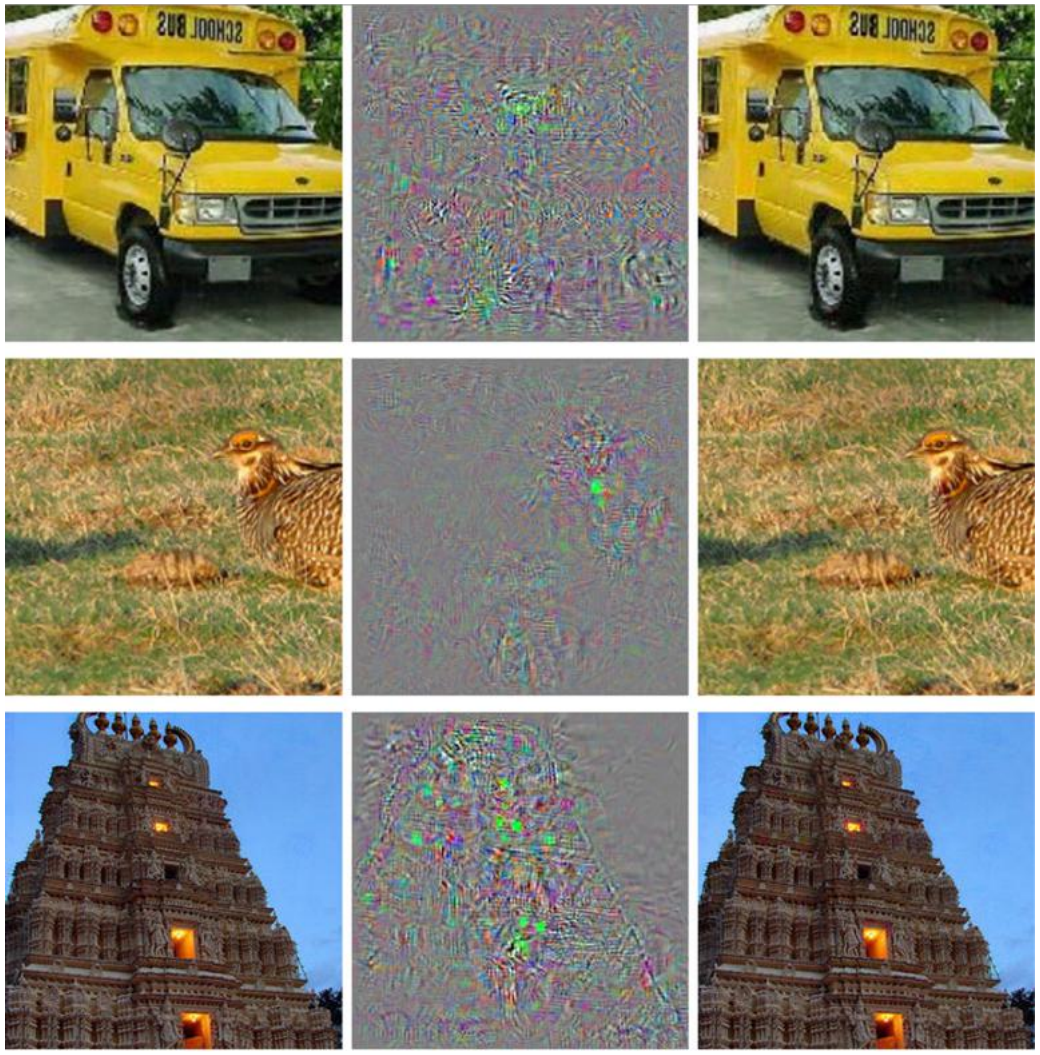


Huge area of research!

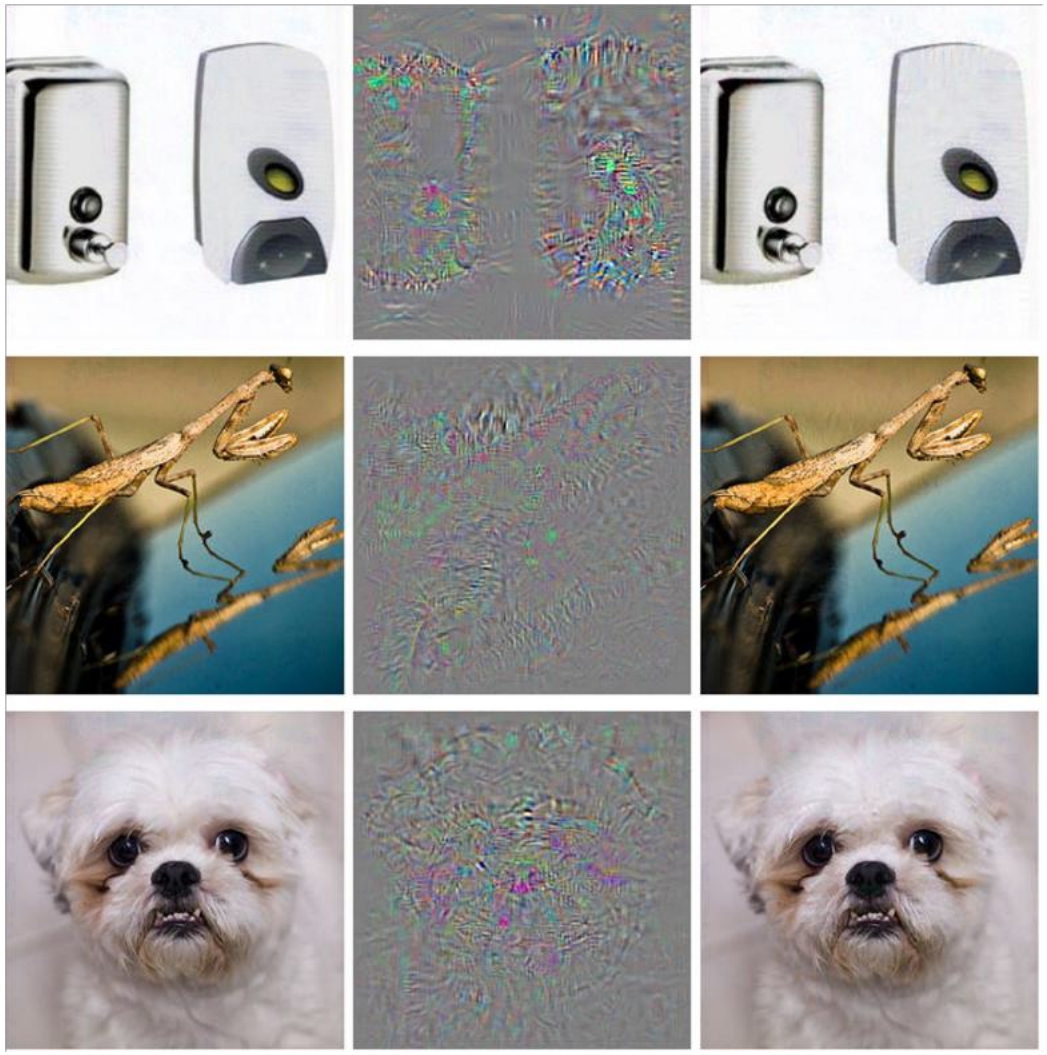
Security concern for networks deployed in the wild

Intriguing properties of neural networks

[Szegedy et al., 2013]



correct +distort ostrich



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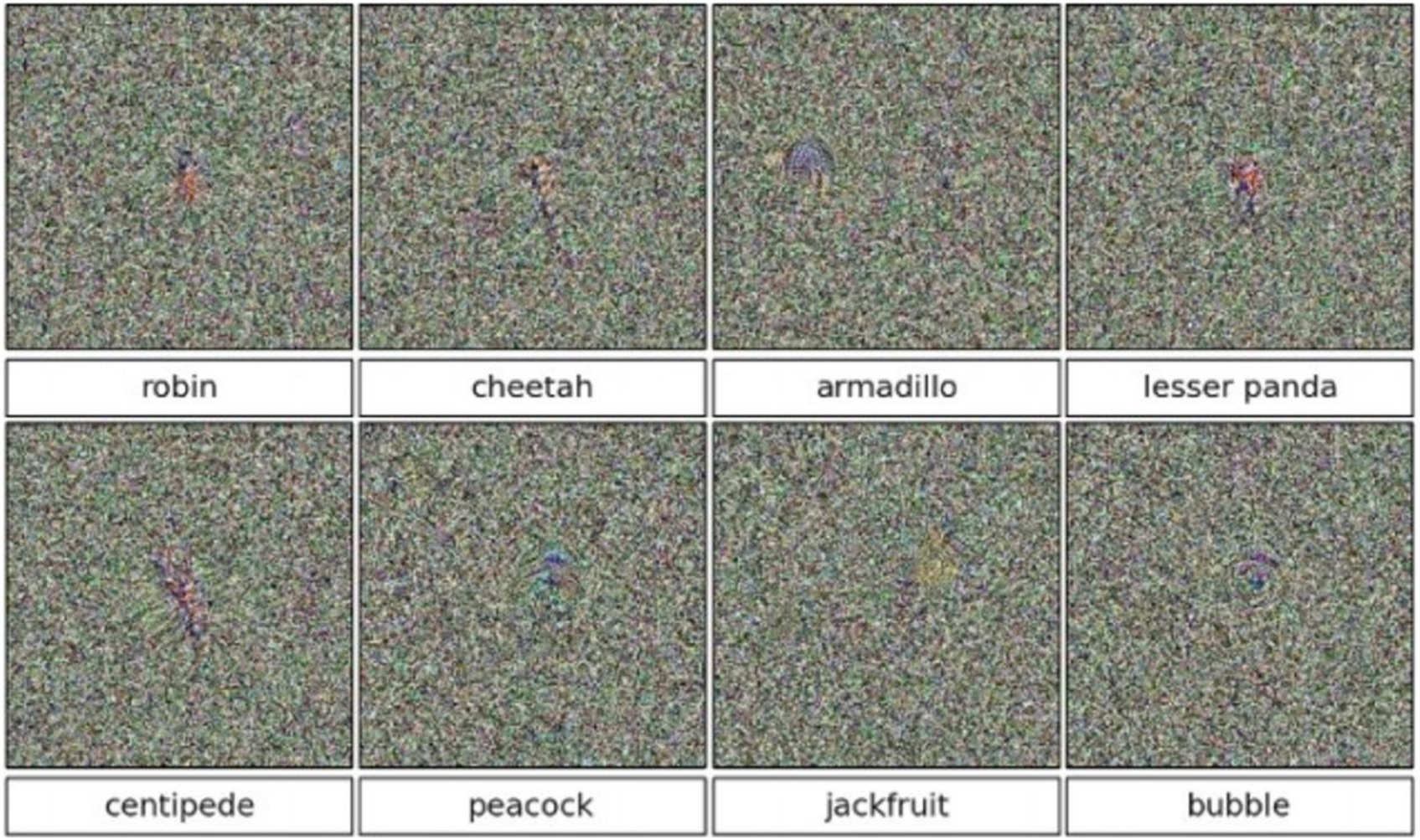

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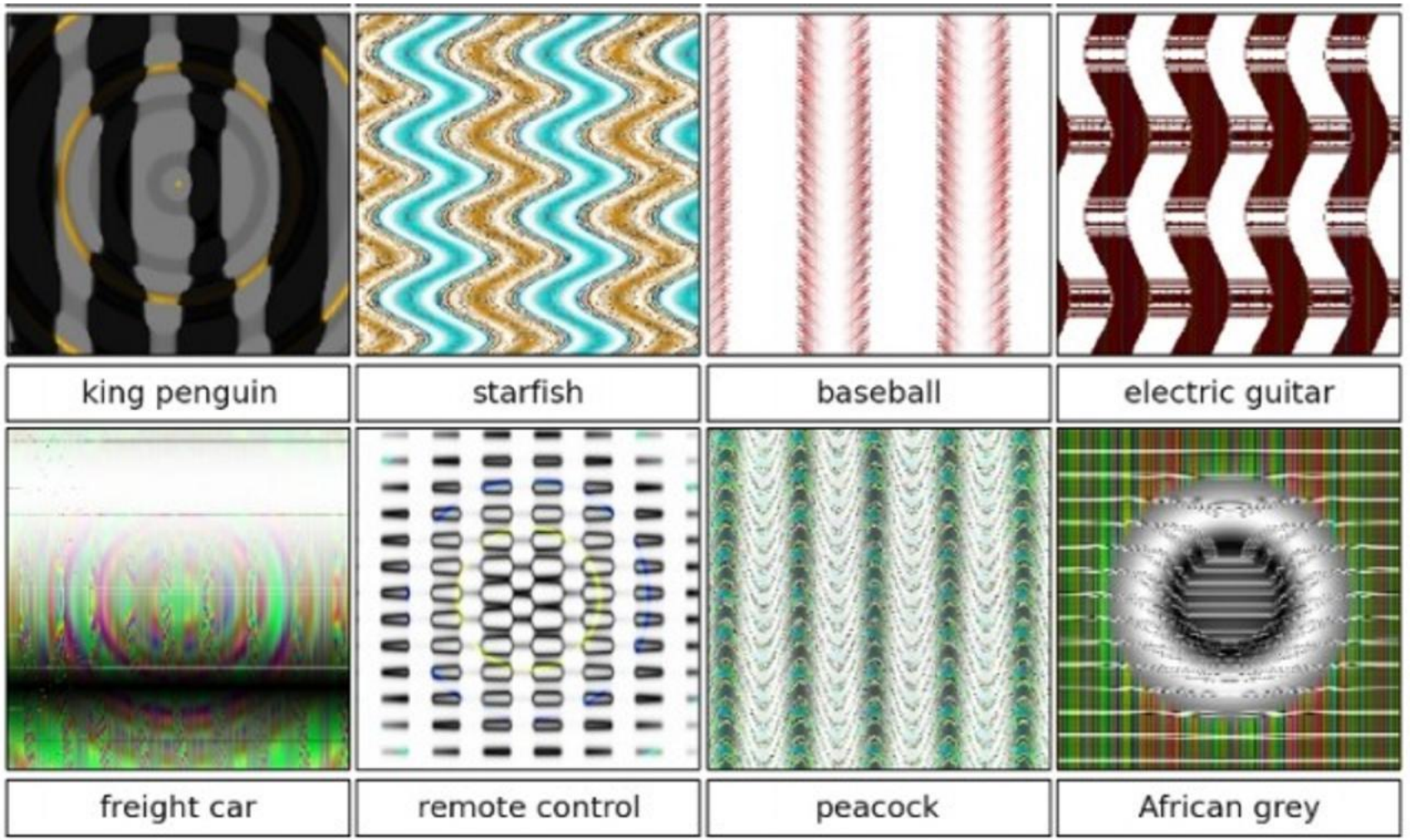
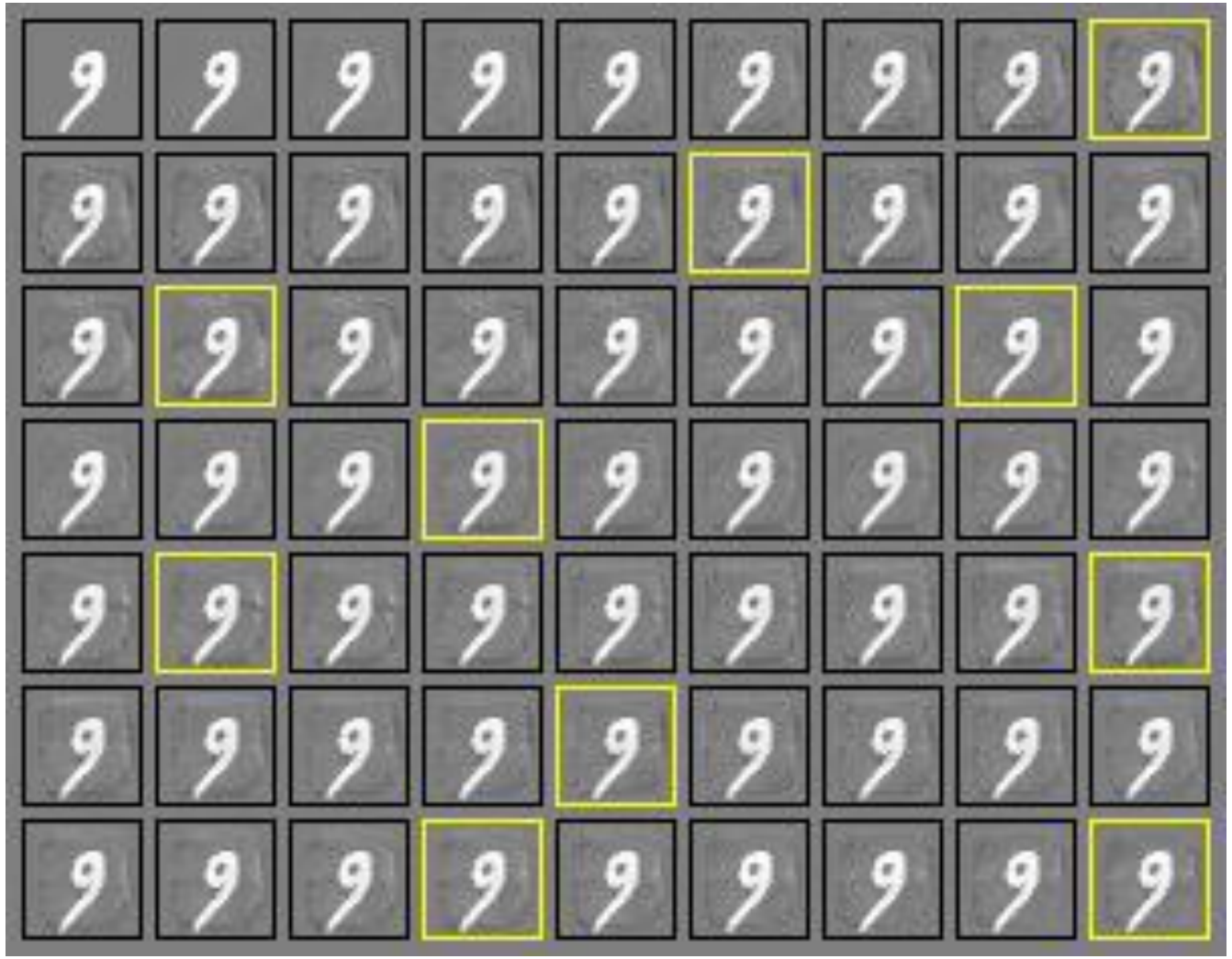


Not just for neural nets

- Linear models
  - Logistic regression
  - Softmax regression
  - SVMs
- Decision trees
- Nearest neighbors

Attacking a Linear Model



- Softmax regression
- Turning “9” into other digits
- Yellow boxes denote misclassifications

Let's fool a binary linear classifier: (logistic regression)

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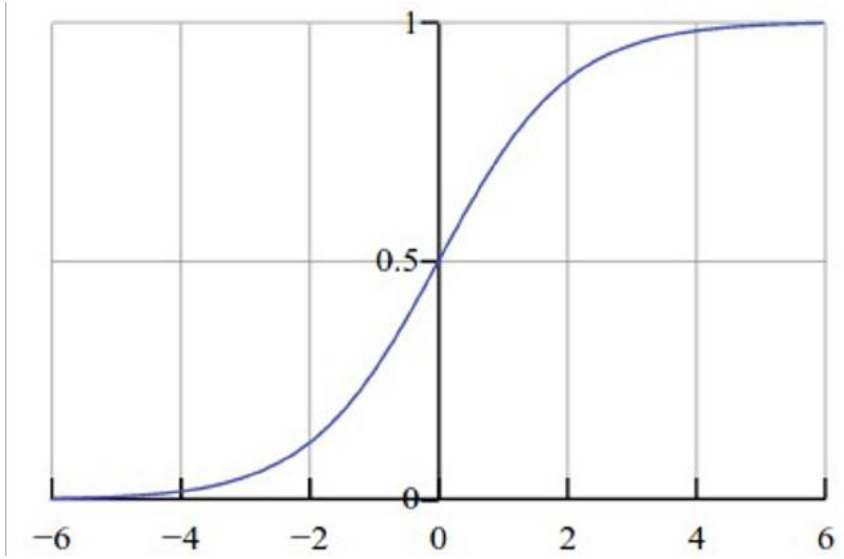

Since the probabilities of class 1 and 0 sum to one, the probability for class 0 is $P(y=0 \mid x; w, b) = 1 - P(y=1 \mid x; w, b)$. Hence, an example is classified as a positive example (y = 1) if $\sigma(w^T x + b) > 0.5$, or equivalently if the score $w^T x + b > 0$.

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x	2	-1	3	-2	2	2	1	-4	5	1
w	-1	-1	1	-1	1	-1	1	1	-1	1

← input example

← weights

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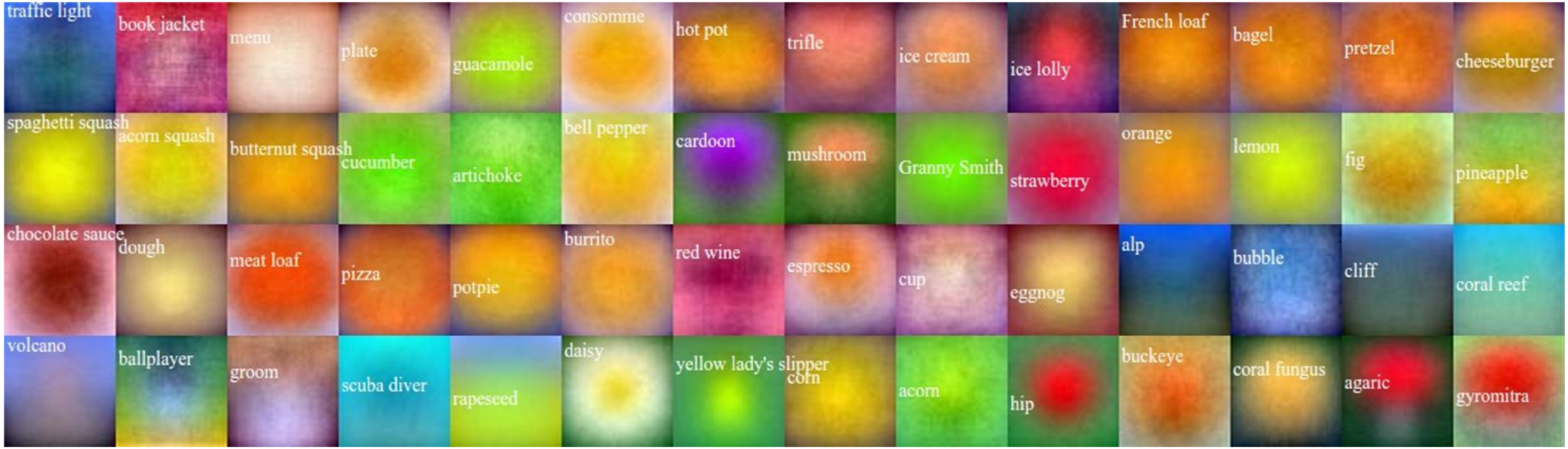
This was only with 10 input dimensions. A 224x224 input image has 150,528.

(It's significantly easier with more numbers, need smaller nudge for each)

Blog post: Breaking Linear Classifiers on ImageNet

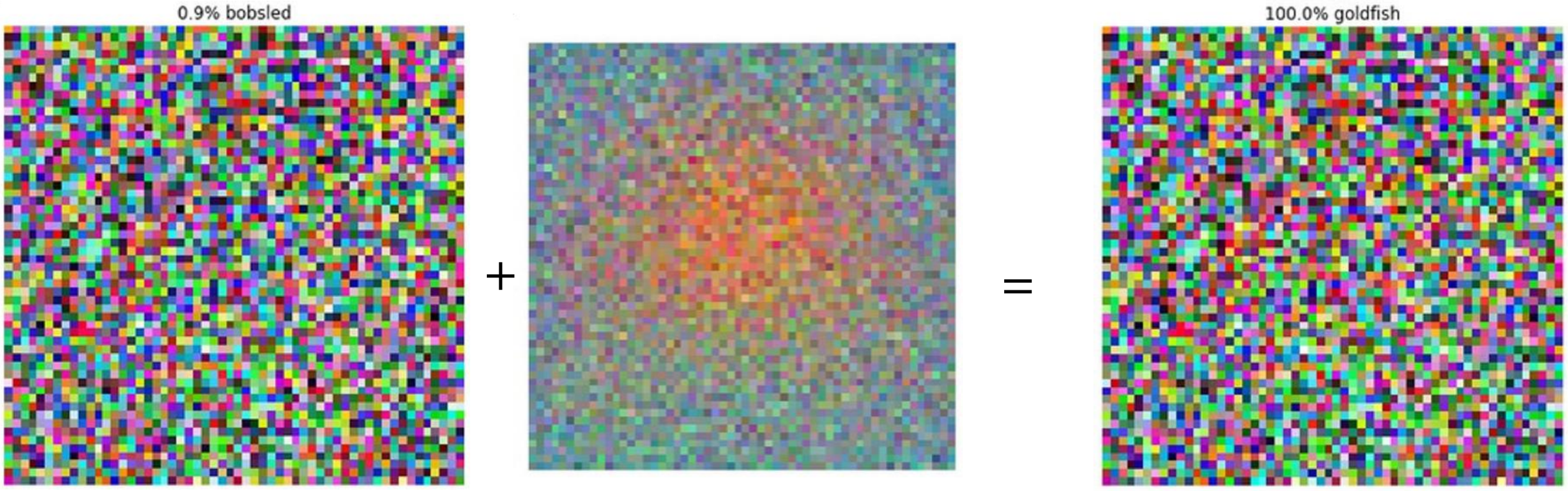
Recall CIFAR-10 linear classifiers:

ImageNet classifiers:



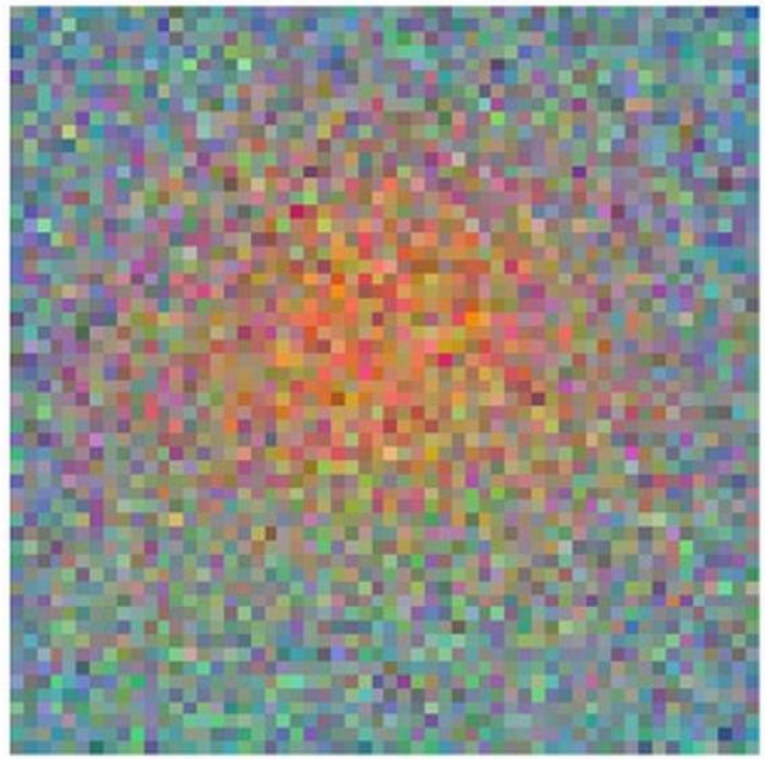
http://karpathy.github.io/2015/03/30/breaking-convnets/

mix in a tiny bit of
Goldfish classifier weights



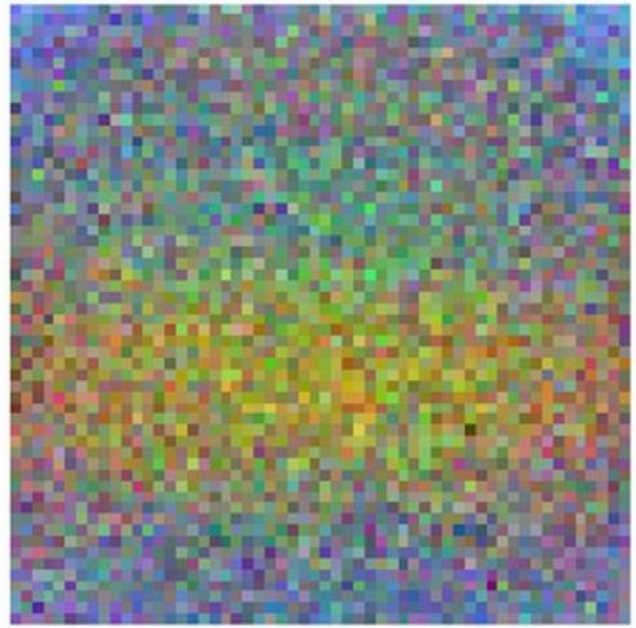
100% Goldfish

1.0% kit fox



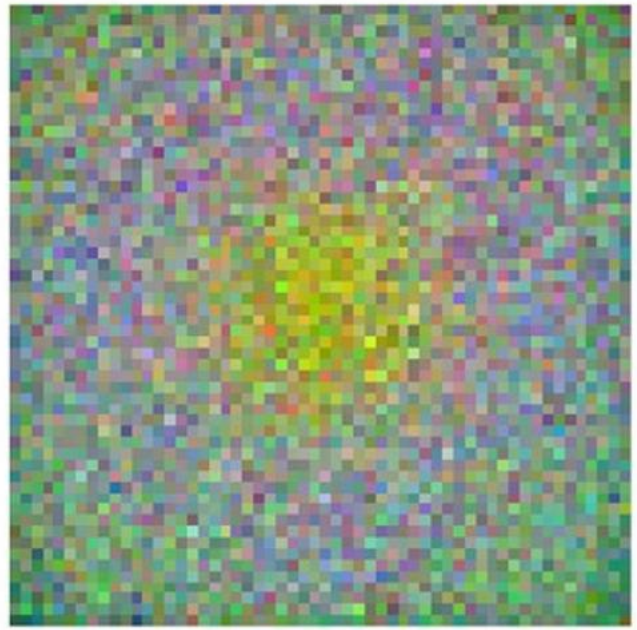
8.0% goldfish

1.0% kit fox



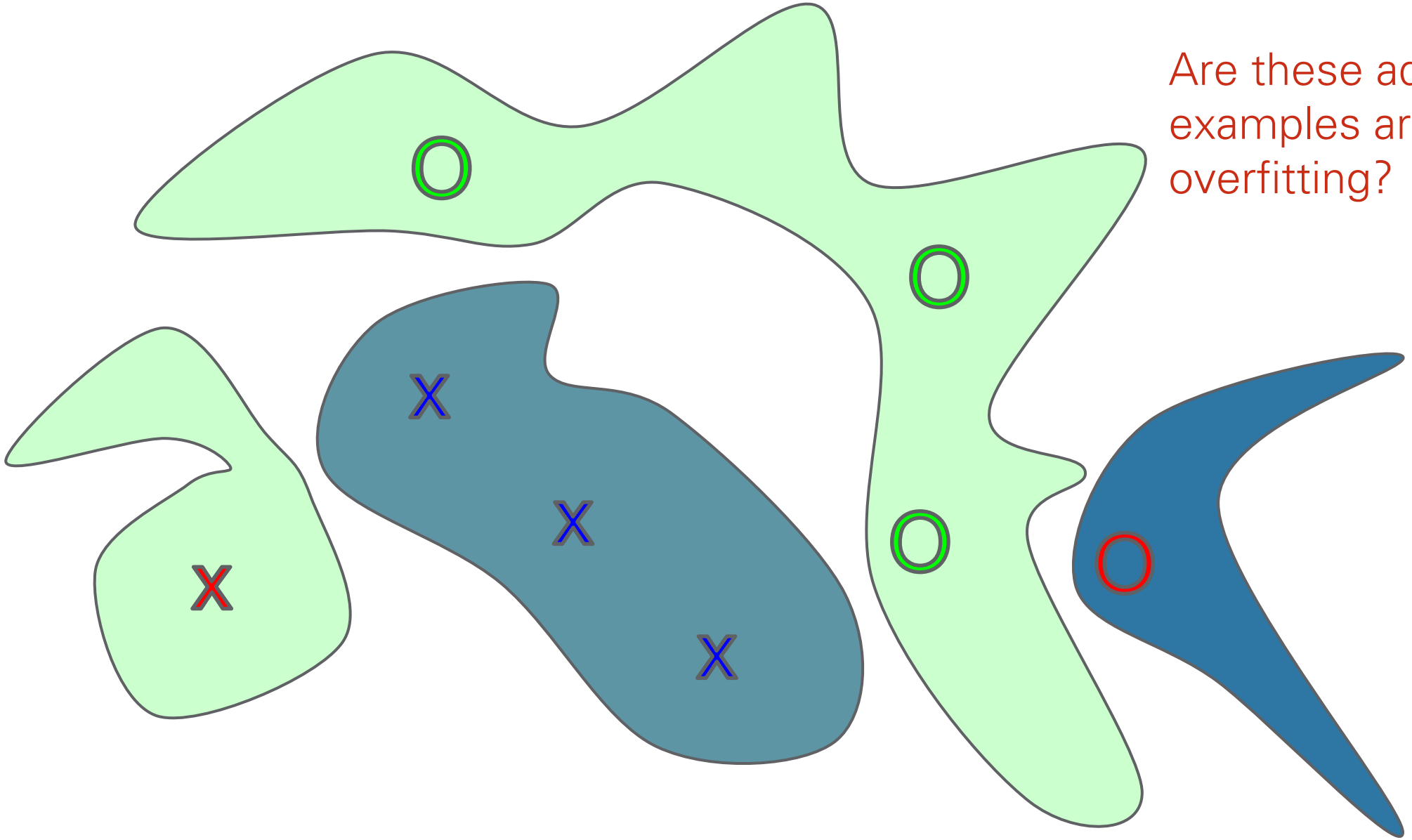
3.9% school bus

8.3% goldfish



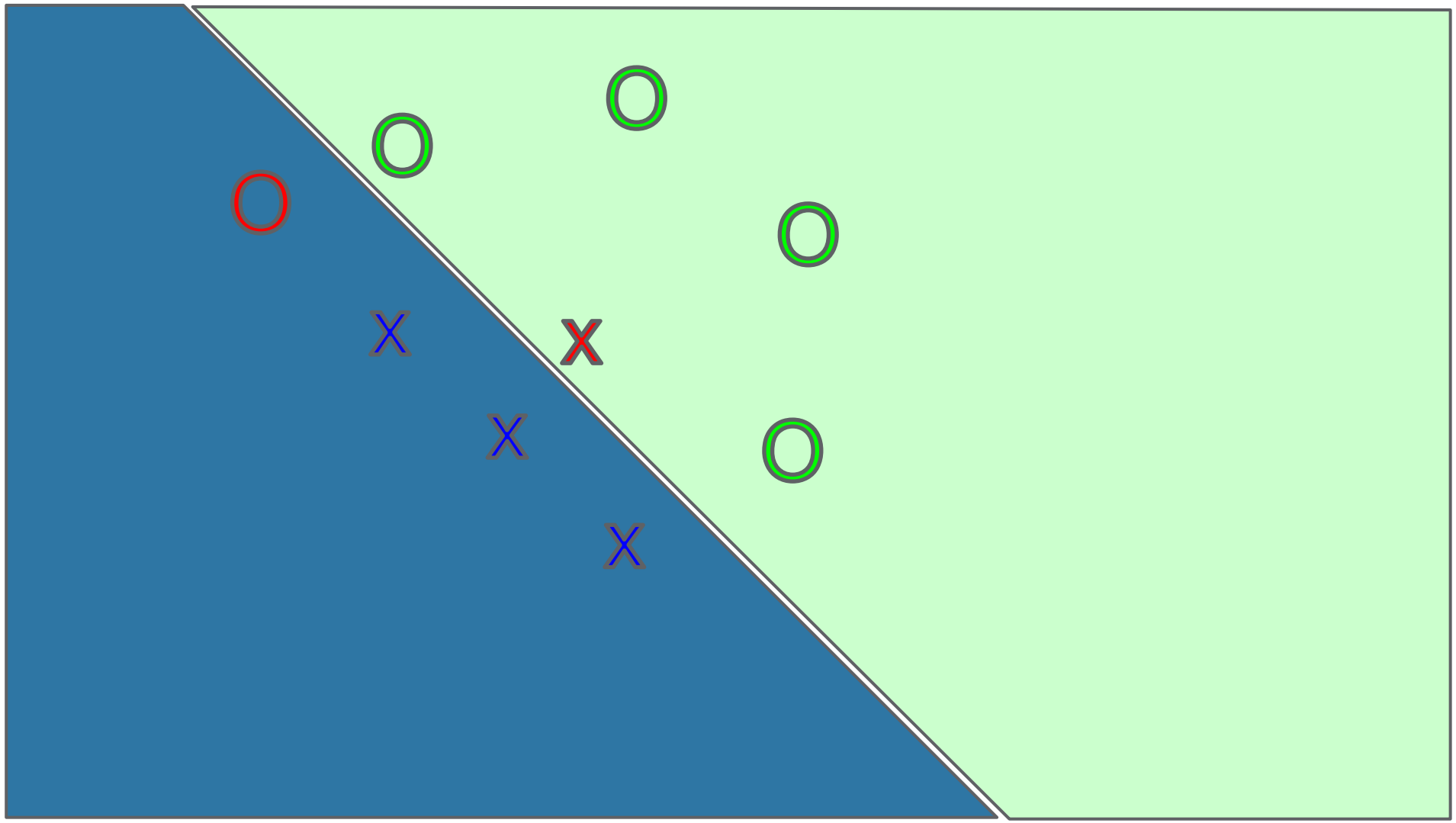
12.5% daisy

Adversarial Examples from Overfitting



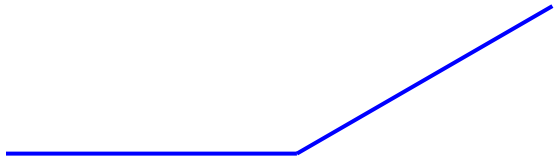
Are these adversarial examples are related to overfitting?

Adversarial Examples from Excessive Linearity



Modern deep nets are very piecewise linear

Rectified linear unit



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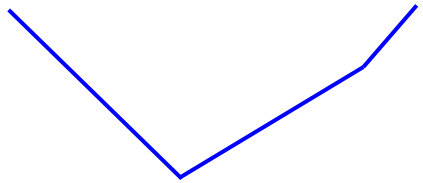
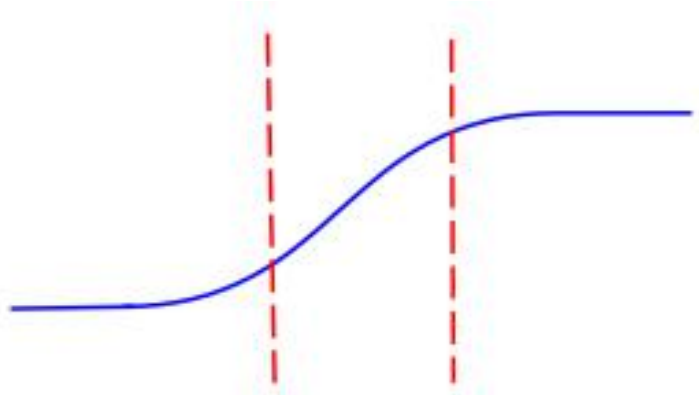


Carefully tuned sigmoid



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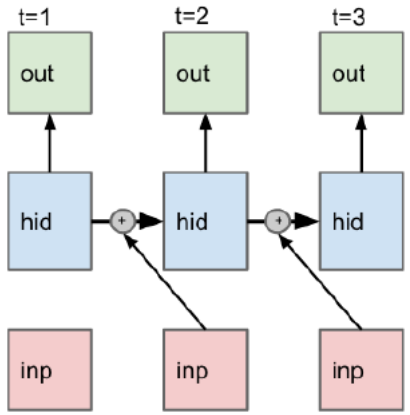

The Fast Gradient Sign Method

$$J(\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx J(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + (\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} - \boldsymbol{x})^\top \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}).$$

Maximize

$$J(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + (\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} - \boldsymbol{x})^\top \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x})$$

subject to

$$||\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} - \boldsymbol{x}||_\infty \leq \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{x} + \epsilon \text{sign}\left(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x})\right).$$

Adversarial examples in the physical world - Kurakin, et al - 2016
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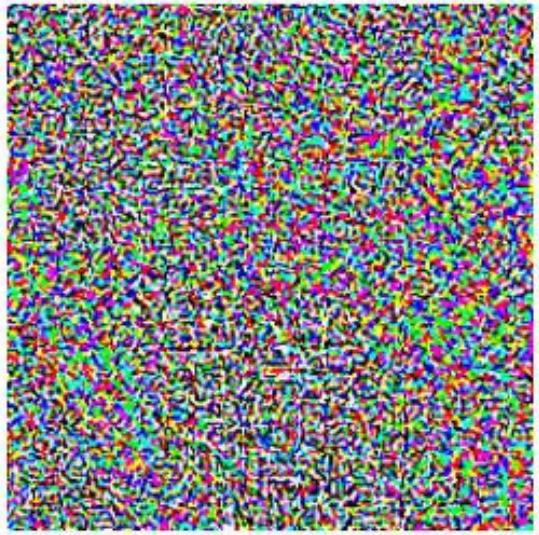
Adversarial Examples

"panda"
57.7% confidence

$+ .007 \times$



"nematode"
8.2% confidence

$=$

"gibbon"
99.3 % confidence

$$\boldsymbol{X}^{adv} = \boldsymbol{X} + \epsilon \operatorname{sign}\left(\nabla_X J(\boldsymbol{X}, y_{true})\right)$$

Score of label y_{true}, given input image X

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Adversarial Examples that Fool both Human and Computer Vision

Left: An image of a cat

Right: The same image after it has been adversarially perturbed to look like a dog

(Elsayed et al., 2018)

Practical Attacks

- Fool real classifiers trained by remotely hosted API (MetaMind, Amazon, Google)
- Fool malware detector networks
- Display adversarial examples in the physical world and fool machine learning systems that perceive them through a camera

Adversarial Examples in the Physical World

(a) Printout (b) Photo of printout (c) Cropped image

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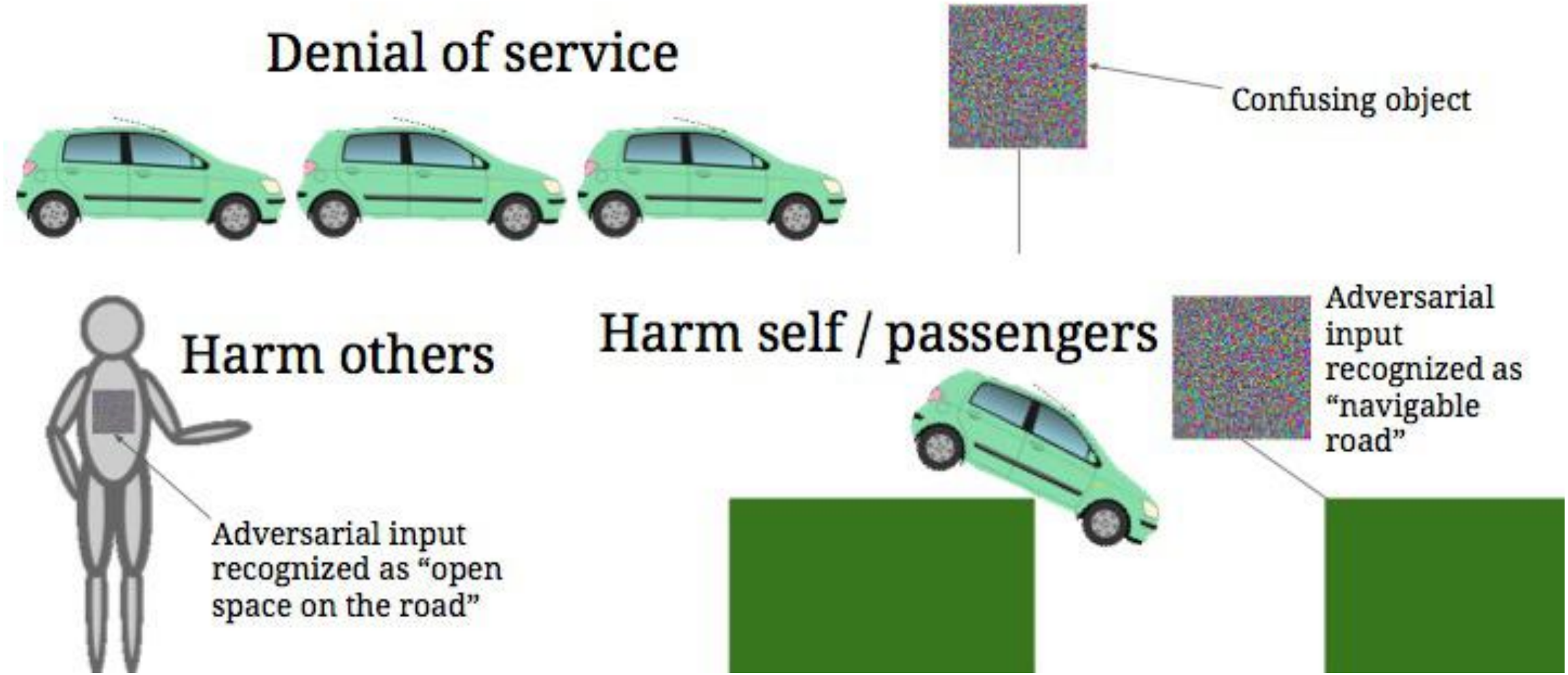
Hypothetical Attacks on Autonomous Vehicles



Physical Adversarial Examples

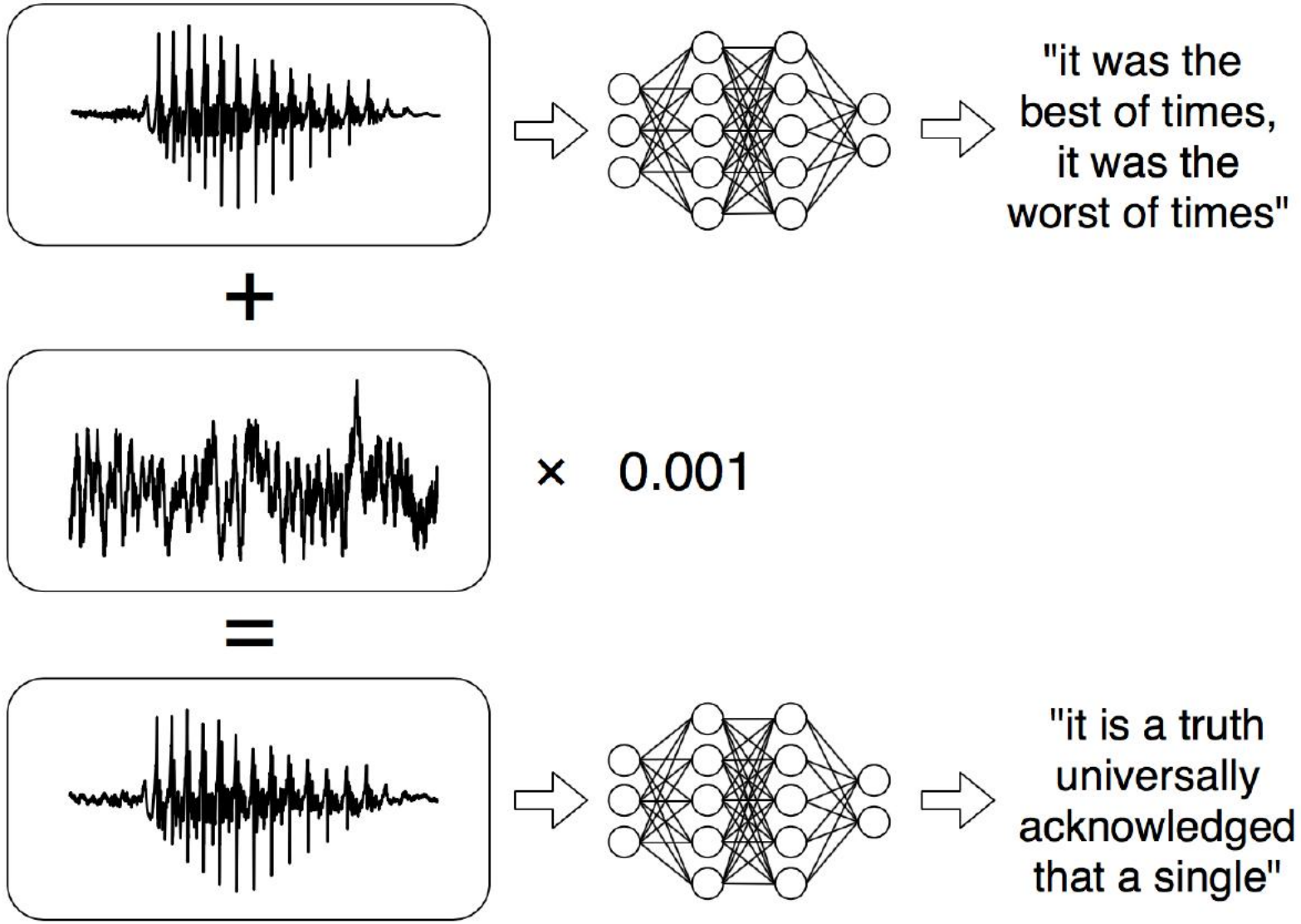
- Physical adversarial examples against the YOLO detector

- Adversarial examples take the form of sticker perturbations that are apply to a real STOP sign

http://bair.berkeley.edu/blog/2017/12/30/yolo-attack/

Audio Adversarial Examples

- targeted audio adversarial examples on speech-to-text transcription neural networks



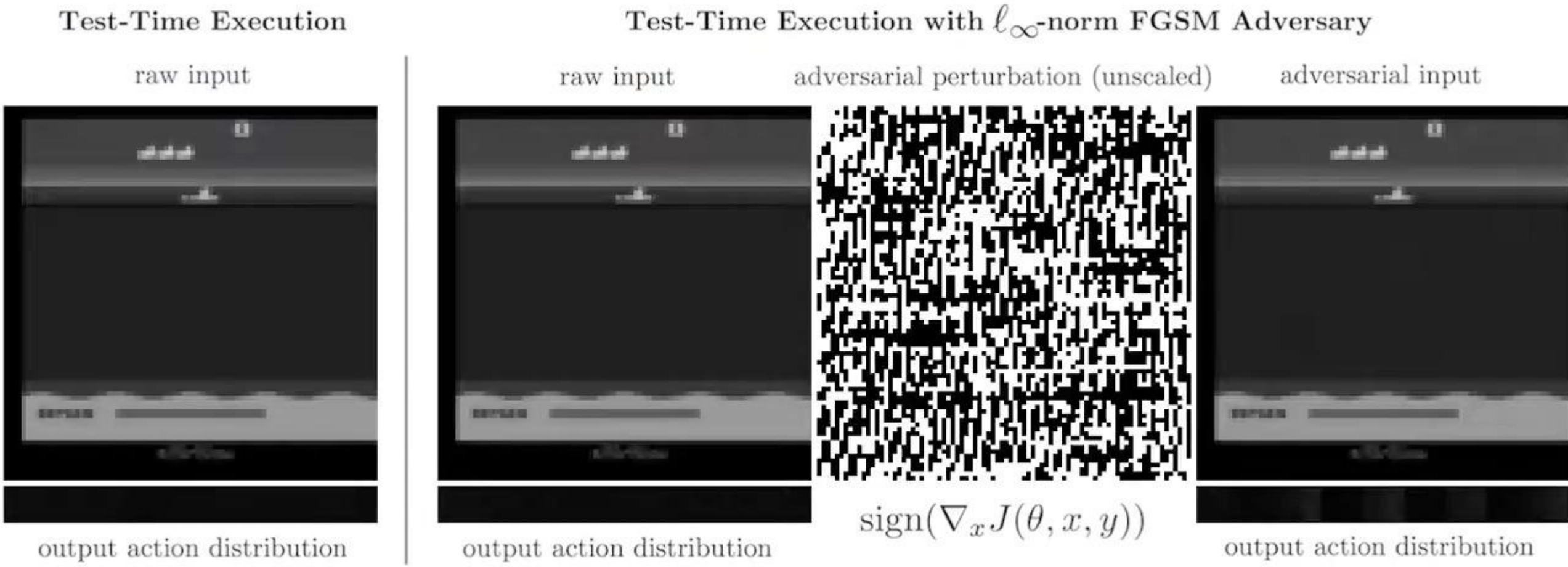
"without the dataset the article is useless"

"okay google browse to evil dot com"

https://nicholas.carlini.com/code/audio_adversarial_examples/

Figure credit: N. Carlini and D. Wagner

Adversarial Examples for RL



https://rll.berkeley.edu/adversarial/

Failed defenses

Generative pretraining

Removing perturbation with an autoencoder

Adding noise at test time

Ensembles

Confidence-reducing perturbation at test time

Error correcting codes

Multiple glimpses

Weight decay

Double backprop

Adding noise at train time

Various non-linear units

Dropout

Adversarial Training

Labeled as bird

Decrease probability of bird class

Still has same label (bird)

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Virtual Adversarial Training

Unlabeled; model guesses it's probably a bird, maybe a plane

Adversarial perturbation intended to change the guess

New guess should match old guess (probably bird, maybe plane)

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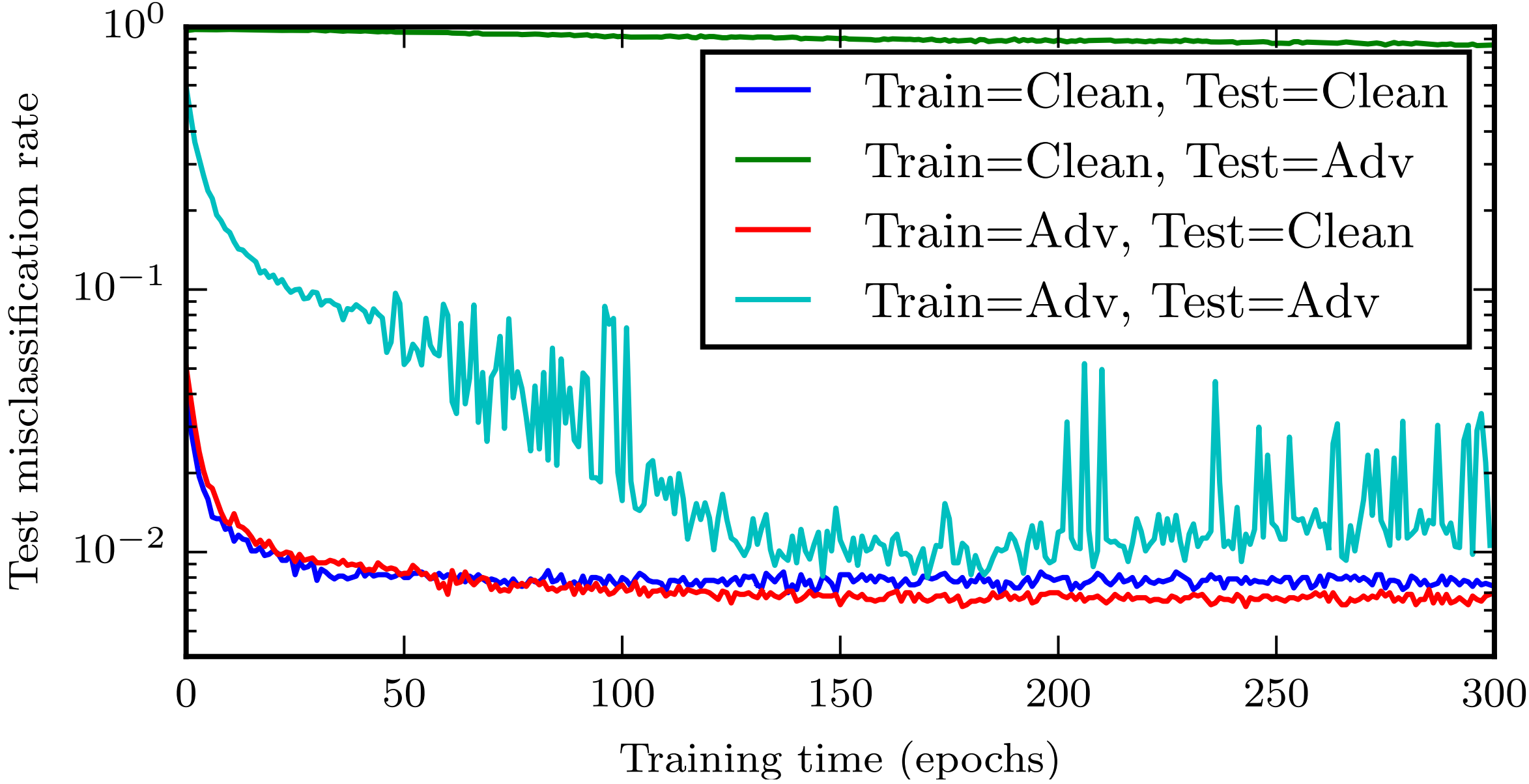
Training on Adversarial Examples



Adversarial Training of other Models

- Linear models: SVM / linear regression cannot learn a step function, so adversarial training is less useful, very similar to weight decay

- k-NN: adversarial training is prone to overfitting.

- Takeway: neural nets can actually become more secure than other models. Adversarially trained neural nets have the best empirical success rate on adversarial examples of any machine learning model.

Next lecture:
Recurrent Neural Networks