



# CS540 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

## **Convolutional Neural Networks (II)**

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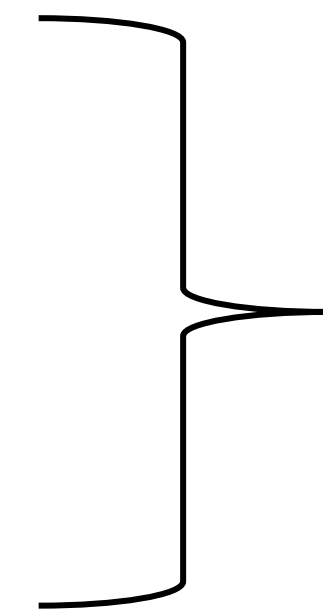
# Announcements

- **Homeworks:**

- HW7 online, deadline on Monday **April 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM**

- Class roadmap and schedule:

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| Machine Learning:<br>Deep Learning II      |
| Machine Learning:<br>Deep Learning III     |
| <i>Spring Recess</i><br><i>March 22-30</i> |



Deep  
Learning

# Today's goals

- Review (some of) convolutional computations.
  - 2D convolutions, multiple input channels, pooling.
- Understand how convolutions are used as layers in a (deep) neural network.
- Build intuition for output of convolutional layers.
- Overview the evolution of deeper convolutional networks

# How to classify Cats vs. dogs?

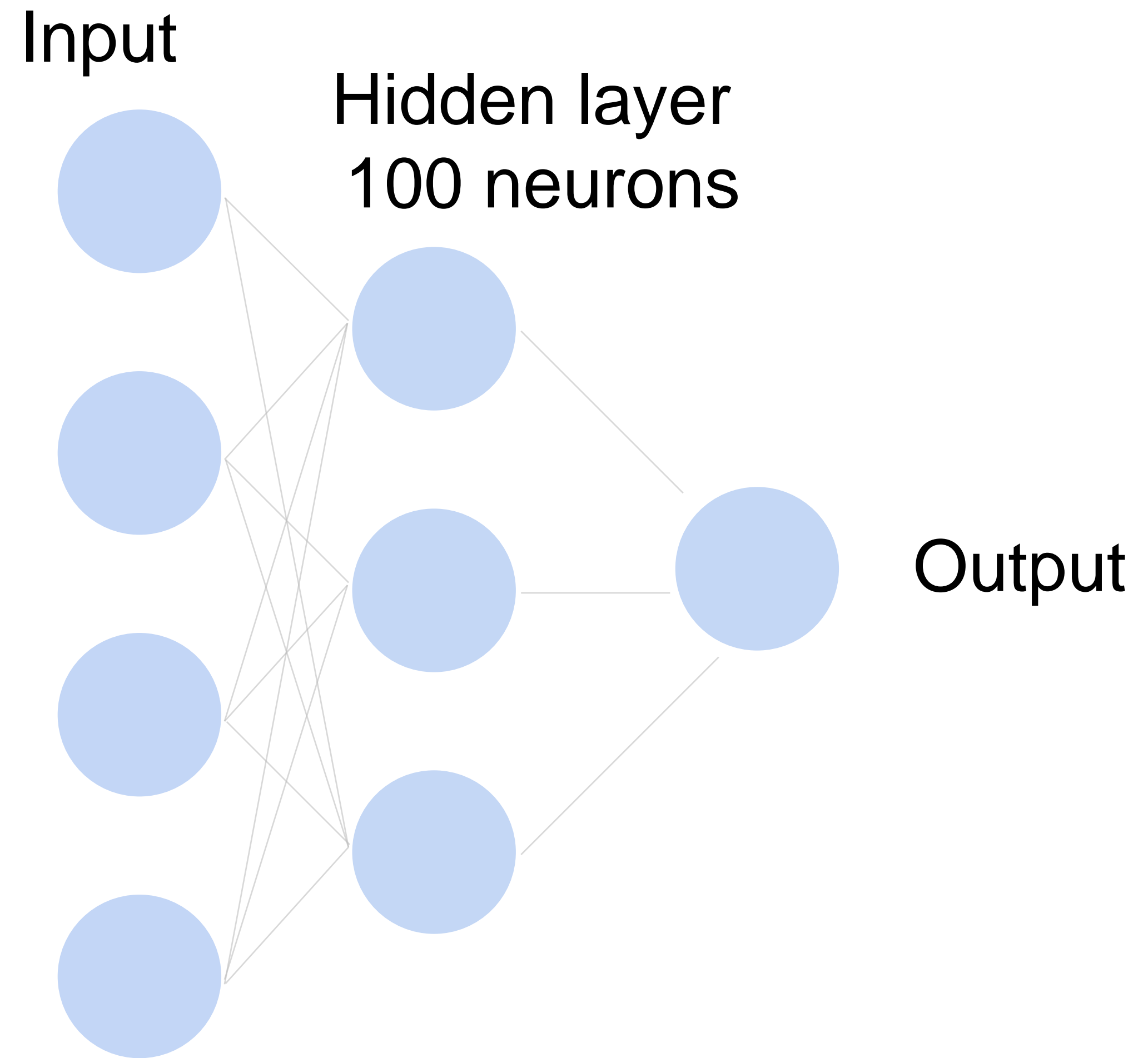


Dual  
**12MP**  
wide-angle and  
telephoto cameras

**36M** floats in a RGB image!

# Fully Connected Networks

Cats vs. dogs?



36M elements x 100 = **3.6B** parameters!

# Review: 2-D Convolution

Input

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| 0 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 |

Kernel

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 |

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Output

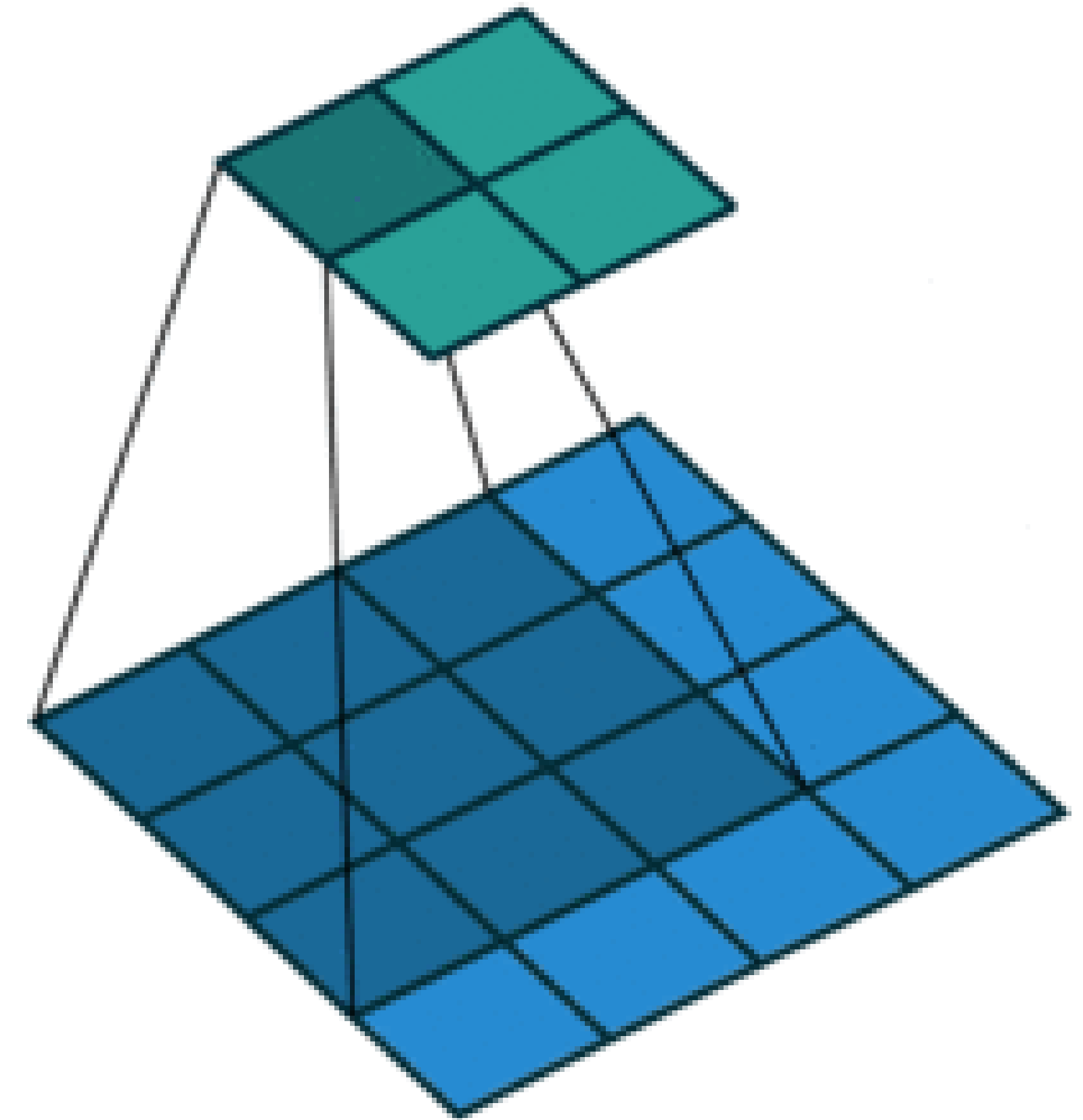
|    |    |
|----|----|
| 19 | 25 |
| 37 | 43 |

$$0 \times 0 + 1 \times 1 + 3 \times 2 + 4 \times 3 = 19,$$

$$1 \times 0 + 2 \times 1 + 4 \times 2 + 5 \times 3 = 25,$$

$$3 \times 0 + 4 \times 1 + 6 \times 2 + 7 \times 3 = 37,$$

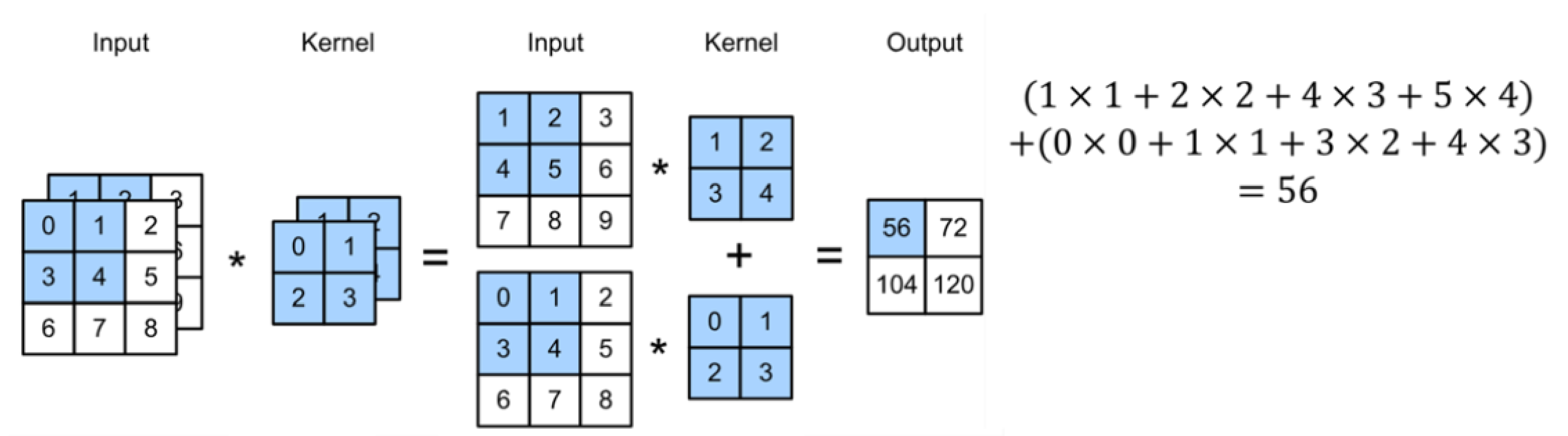
$$4 \times 0 + 5 \times 1 + 7 \times 2 + 8 \times 3 = 43.$$



(vdumoulin@ Github)

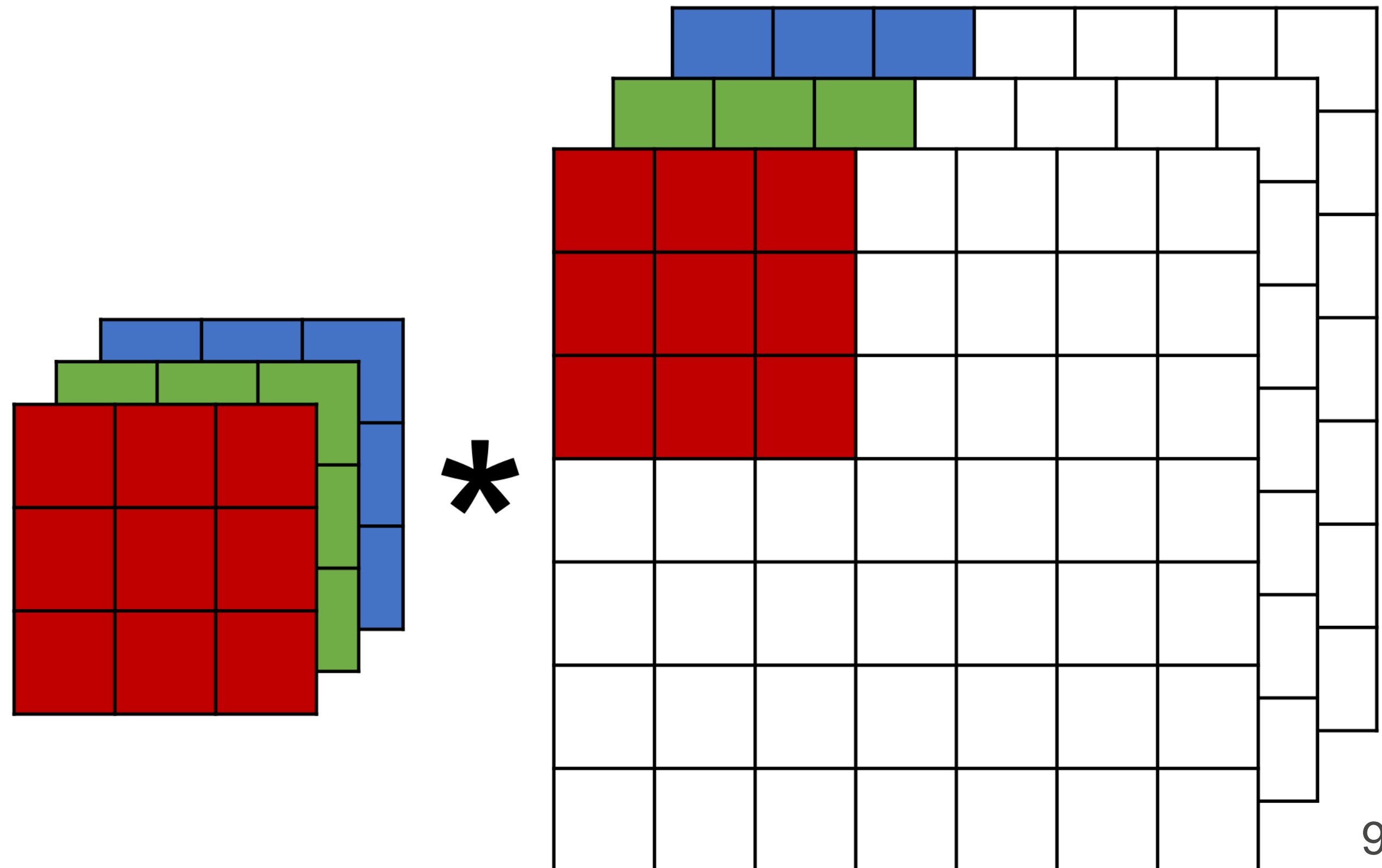
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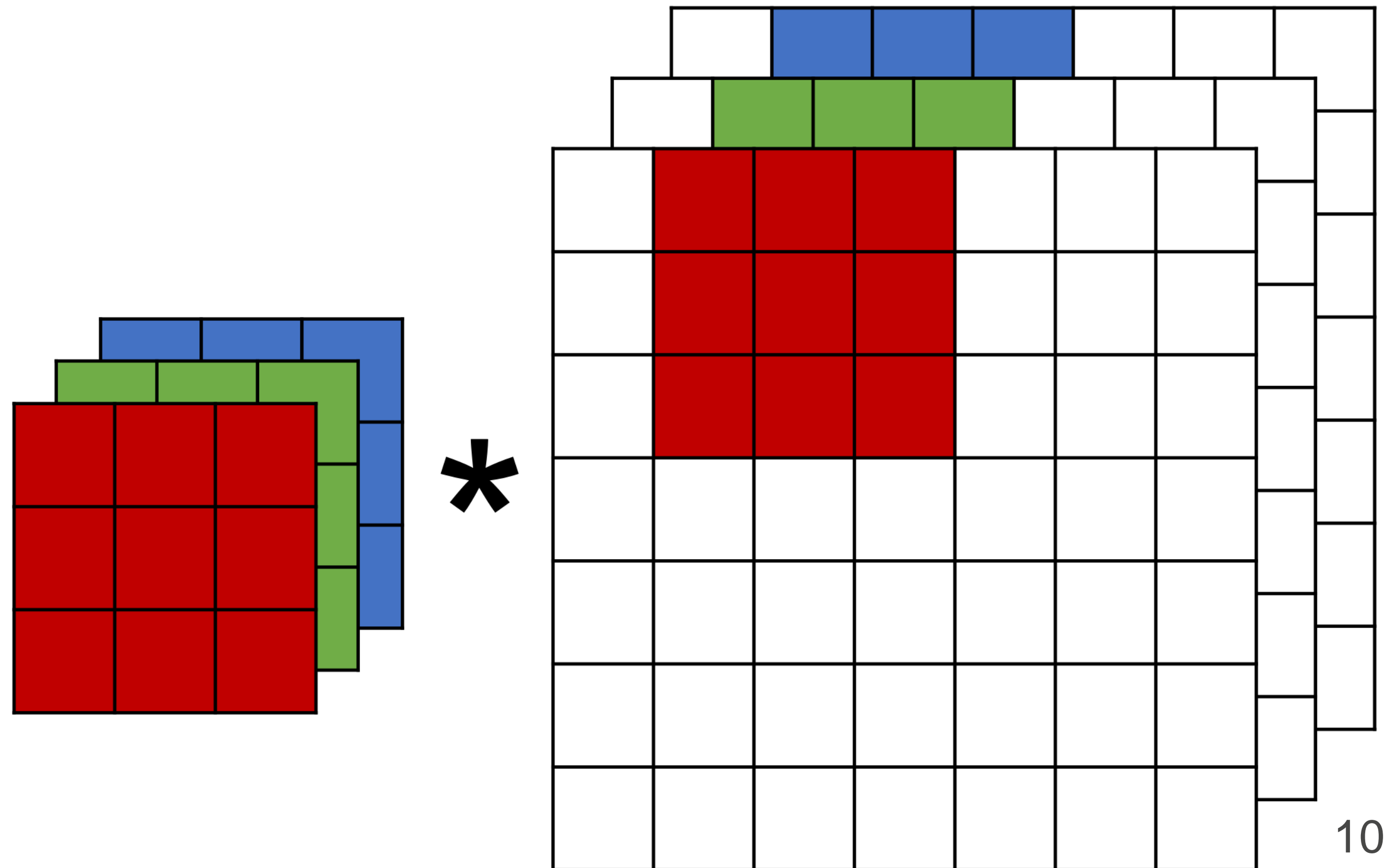
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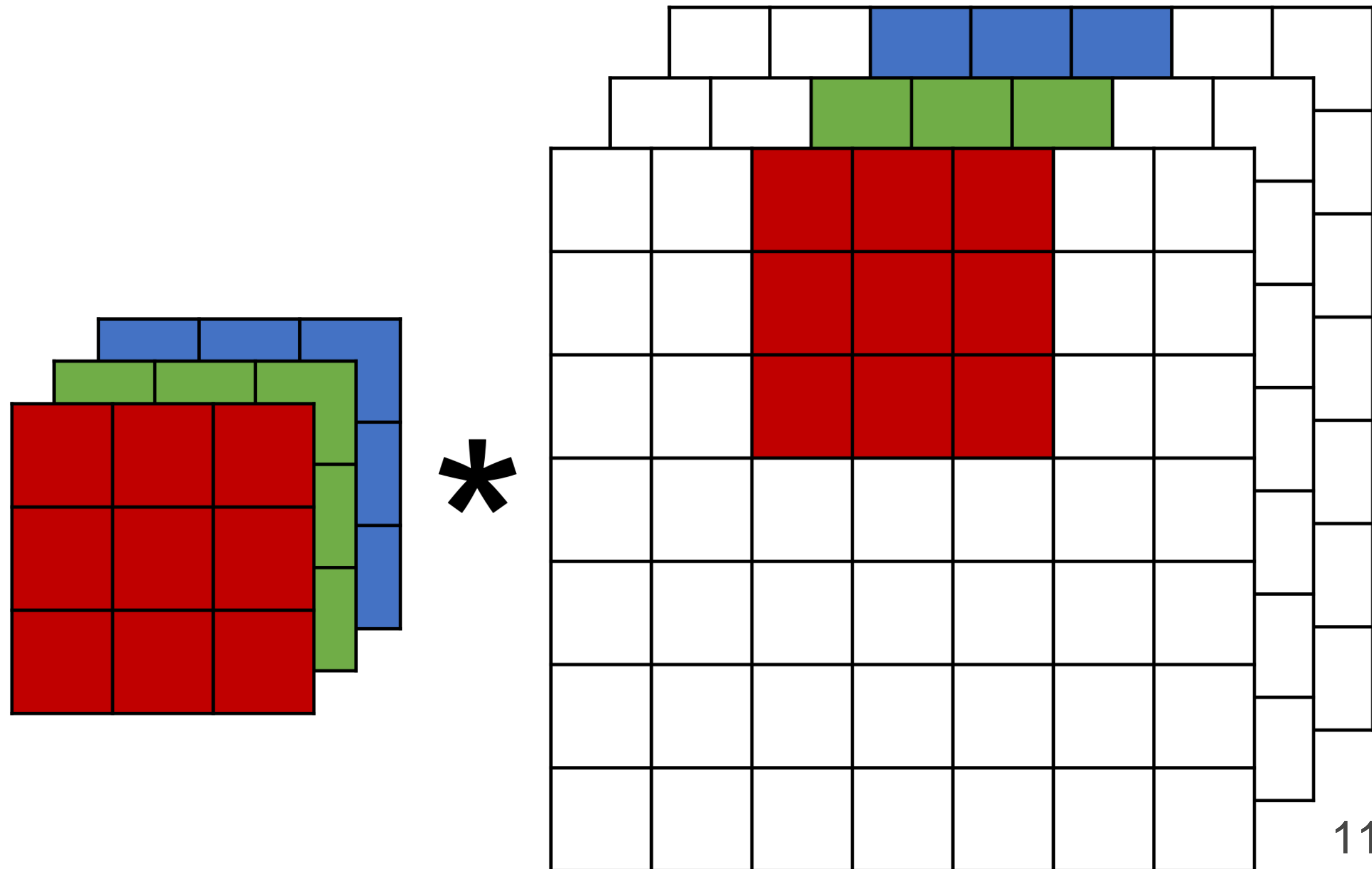
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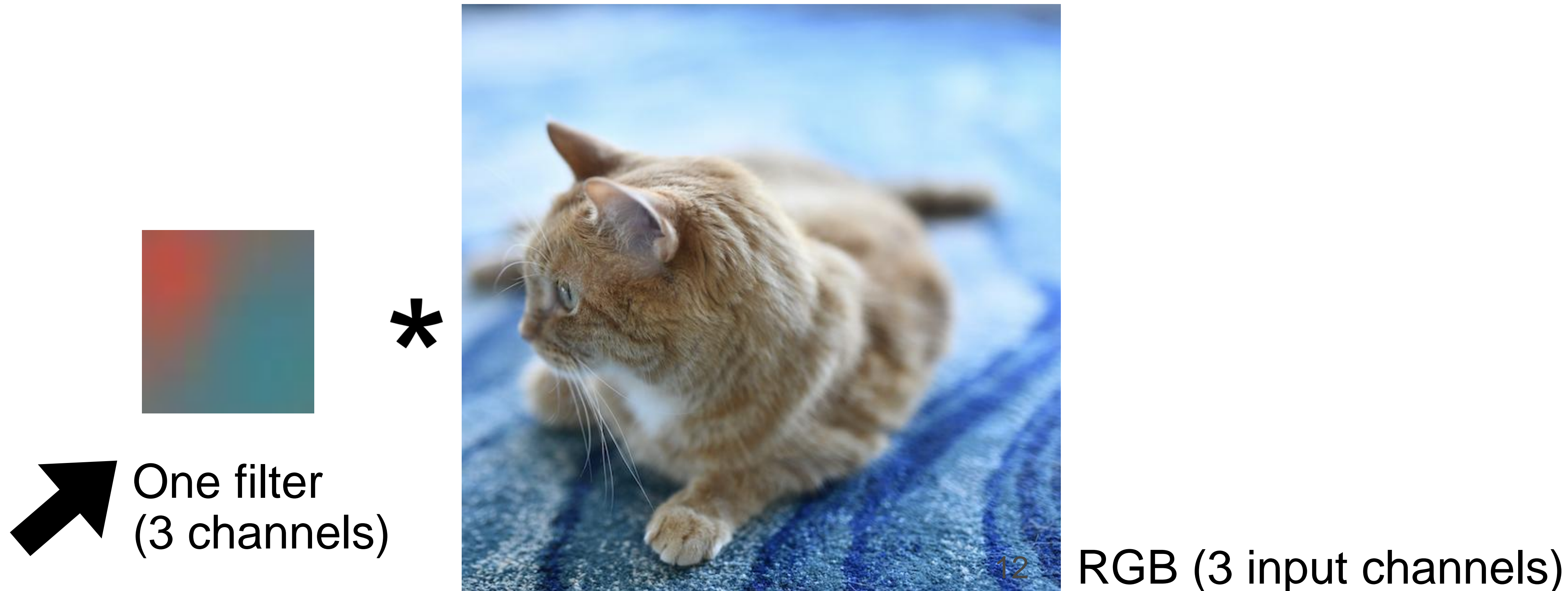
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# Multiple Input Channels

- Input and kernel can be 3D, e.g. RGB image has 3 channels
- Also call each 3D kernel a “**filter**”, which produces only **one** output channel (due to summation over channels)



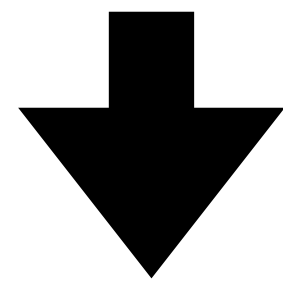
# Multiple filters (in one layer)

- Apply multiple filters on the input
- Each filter may learn different features about the input
- Each filter (3D kernel) produces one output channel

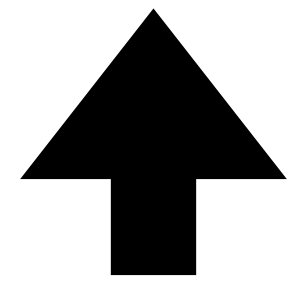


# Output shape

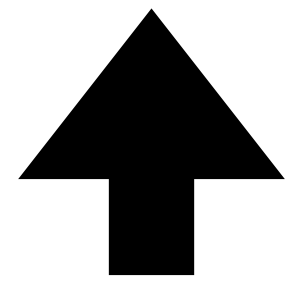
Kernel/filter size



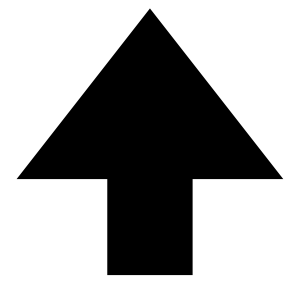
$$\lfloor (n_h - k_h + p_h + s_h) / s_h \rfloor \times \lfloor (n_w - k_w + p_w + s_w) / s_w \rfloor$$



Input size



Pad



Stride

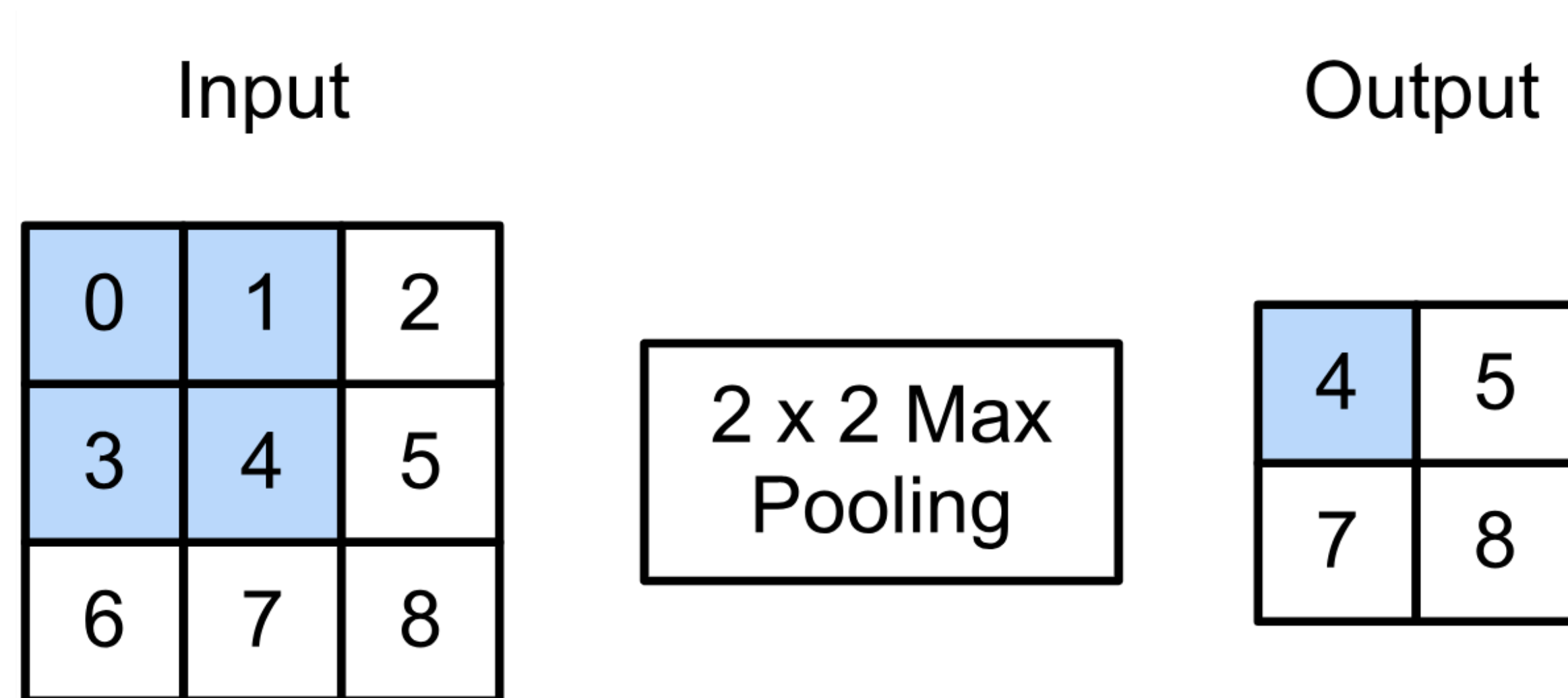
Consider a convolution layer with 16 filters. Each filter has a size of  $11 \times 11 \times 3$ , a stride of  $2 \times 2$ . Given an input image of size  $22 \times 22 \times 3$ , if we don't allow a filter to fall outside of the input, what is the output size?

- $11 \times 11 \times 16$
- $6 \times 6 \times 16$
- $7 \times 7 \times 16$
- $5 \times 5 \times 16$

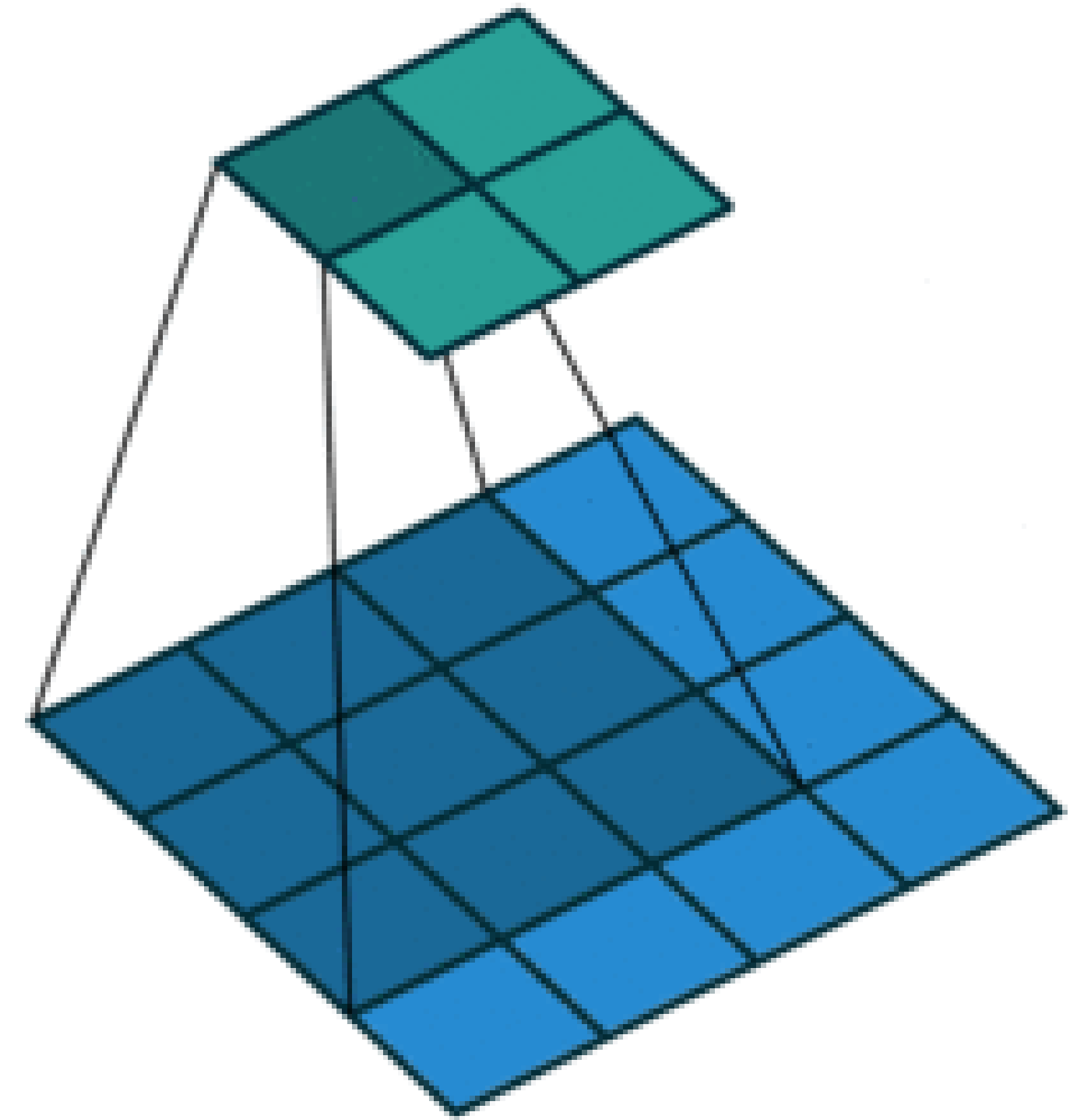
# Pooling Layer

# 2-D Max Pooling

- Returns the maximal value in the sliding window



$$\max(0, 1, 3, 4) = 4$$

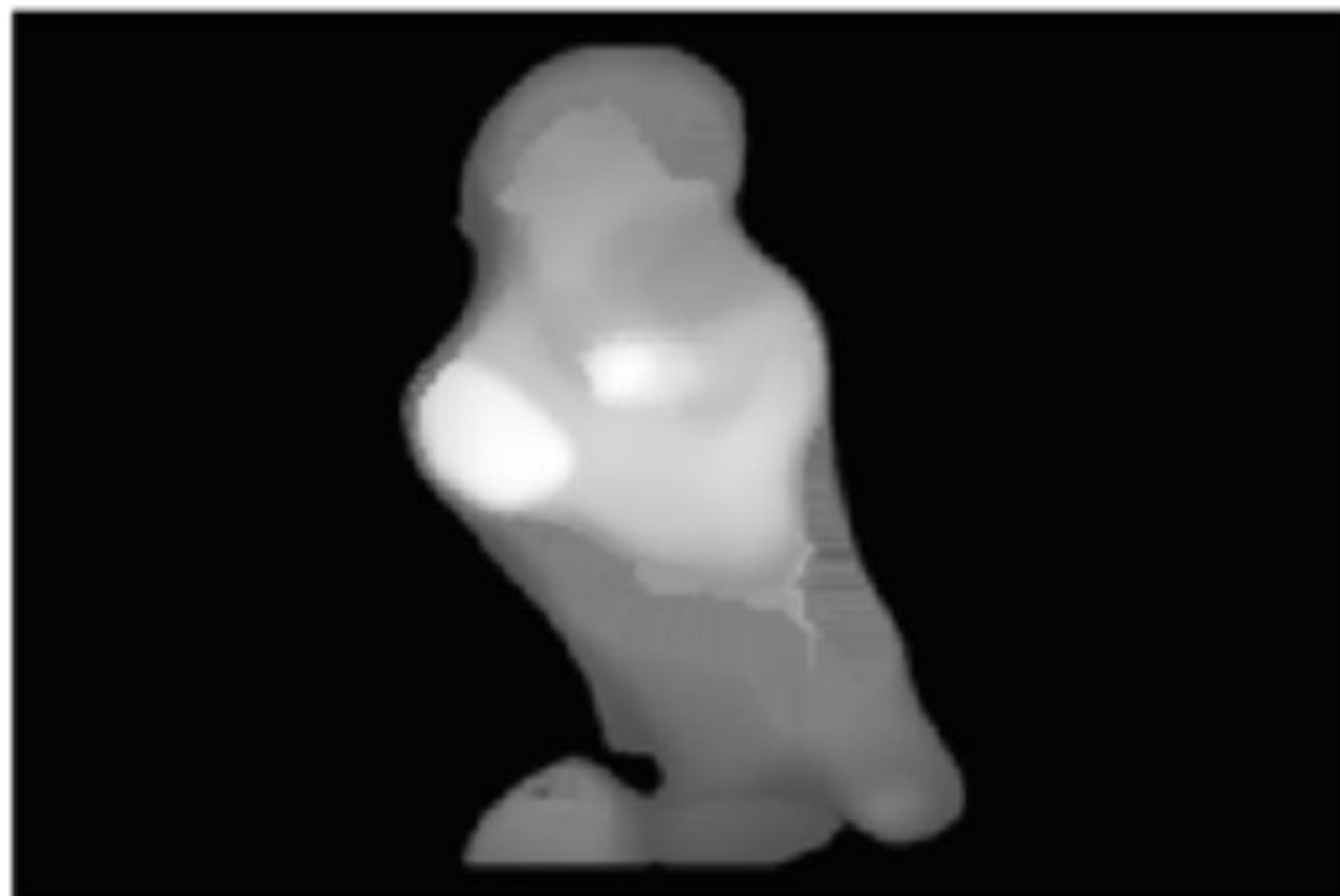




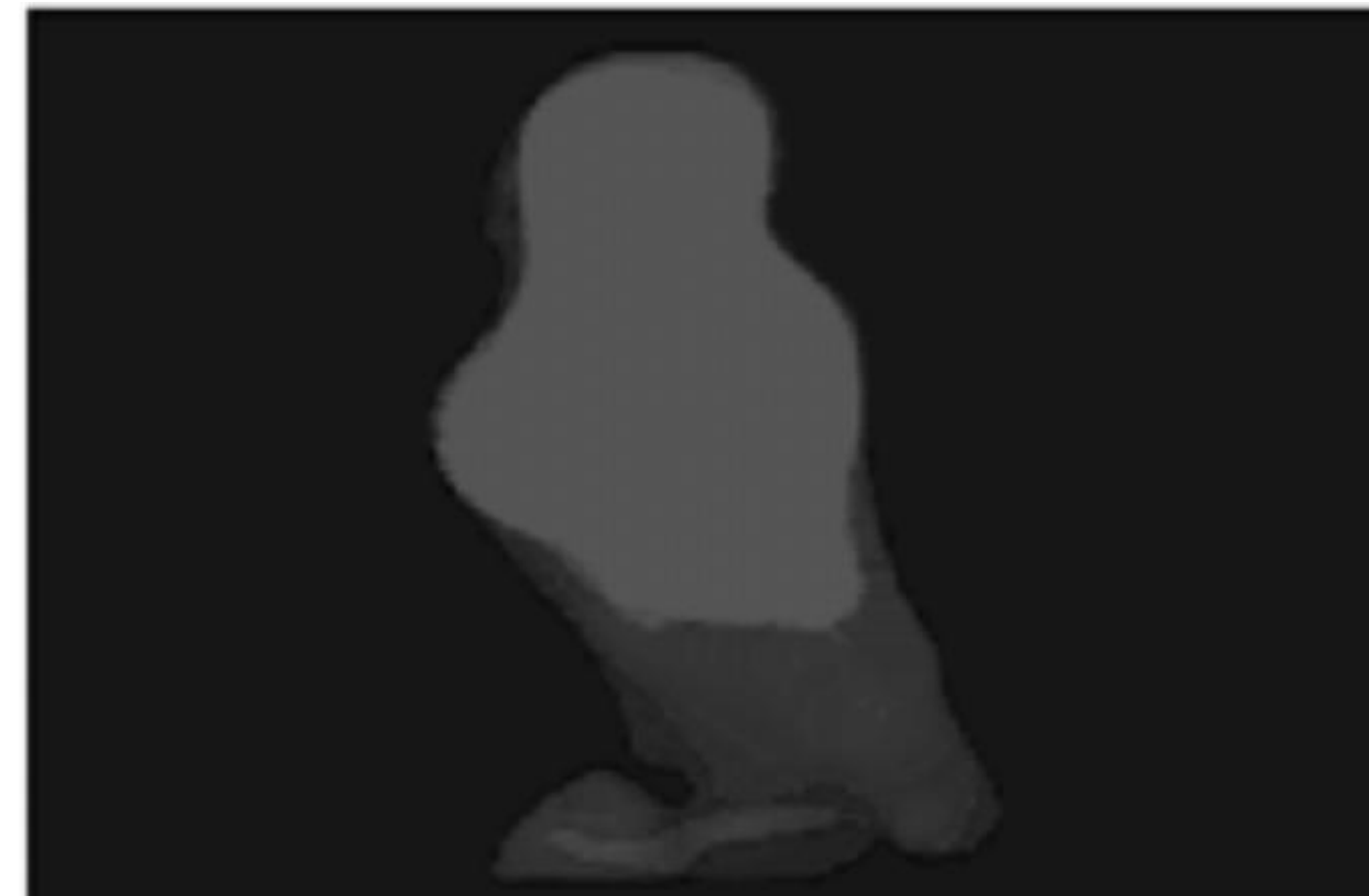
# Average Pooling

- Max pooling: the strongest pattern signal in a window
- Average pooling: replace max with mean in max pooling
- The average signal strength in a window

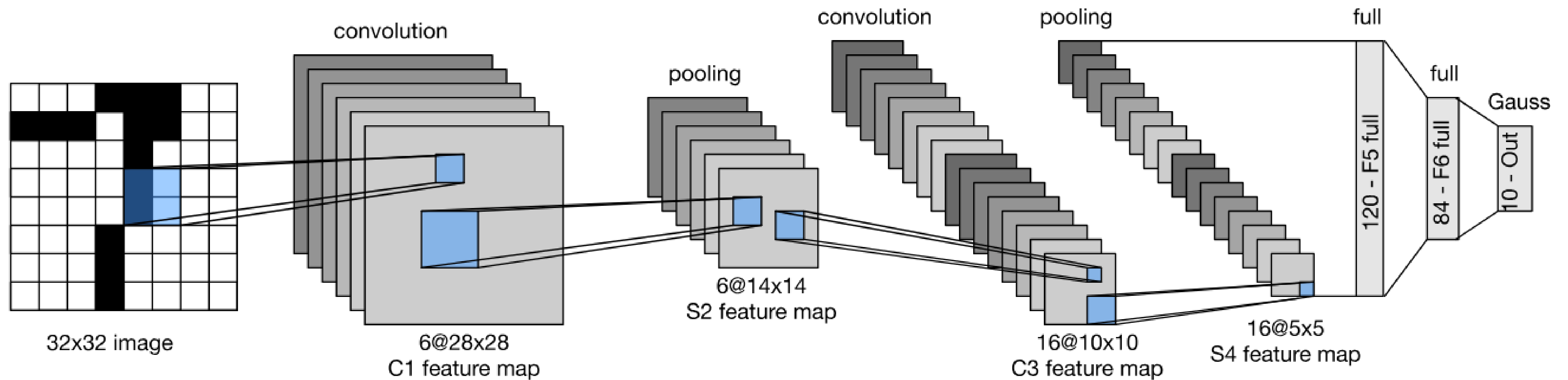
Max pooling



Average pooling



# Convolutional Neural Network Architecture



# Convolutional Neural Network Intuition

Early layers recognize simple visual features, later layers recognize more complex visual features.

Suppose we want to classify pictures of cats or dogs. How would you do this?

Look for features of cats or dogs in the image and use for decision.

- Example: cats have cat-like faces, dogs have dog-like faces.
- How do you determine what is a “cat-like” face vs a “dog-like” face?

Look for features of “cat-like” faces and “dog-like” faces.

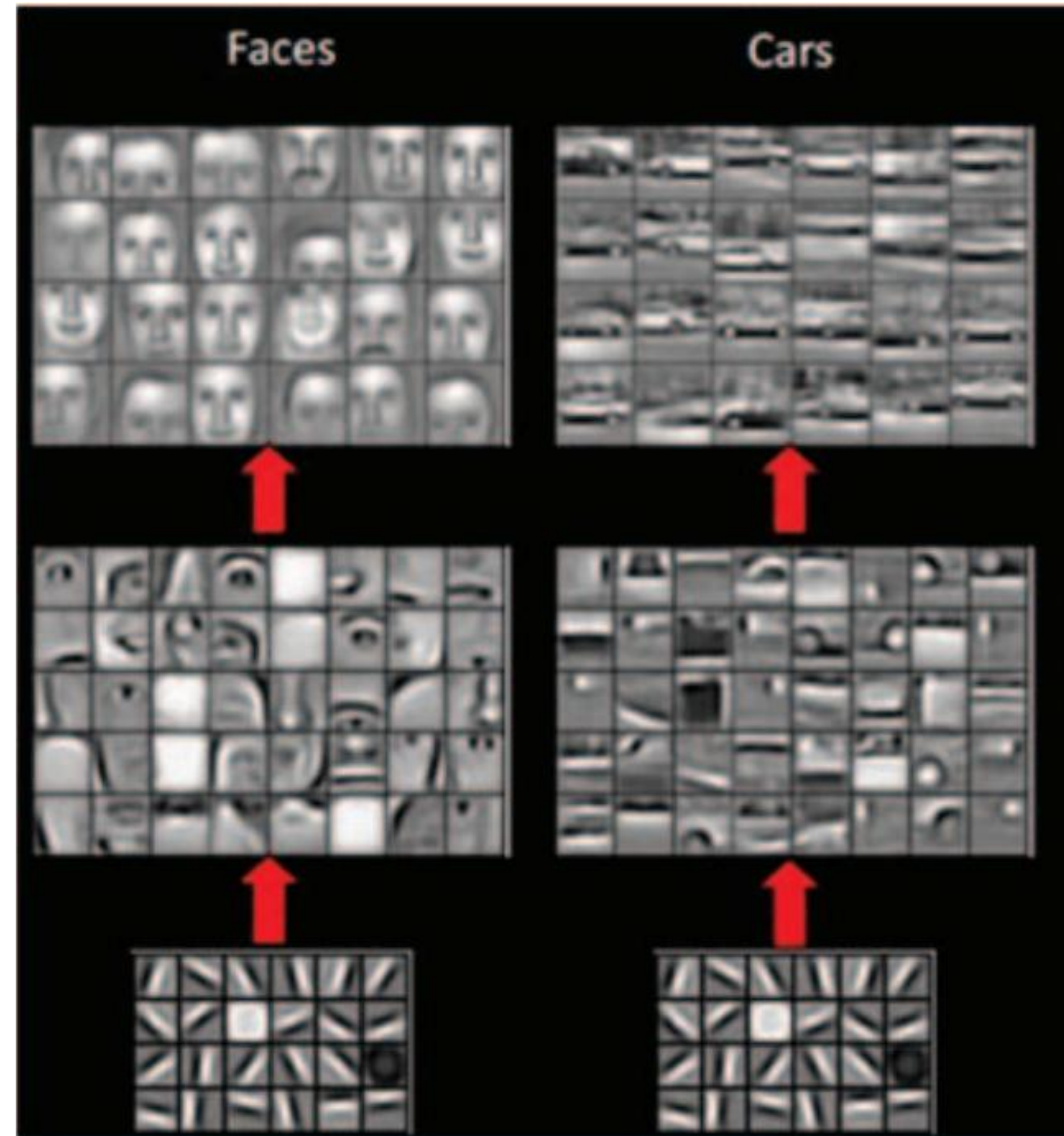
- Example: Dogs have longer snouts.
- How do you determine what is a long snout?

# Feature Learning

Later layers recognize complete objects

Middle layers recognize parts of objects

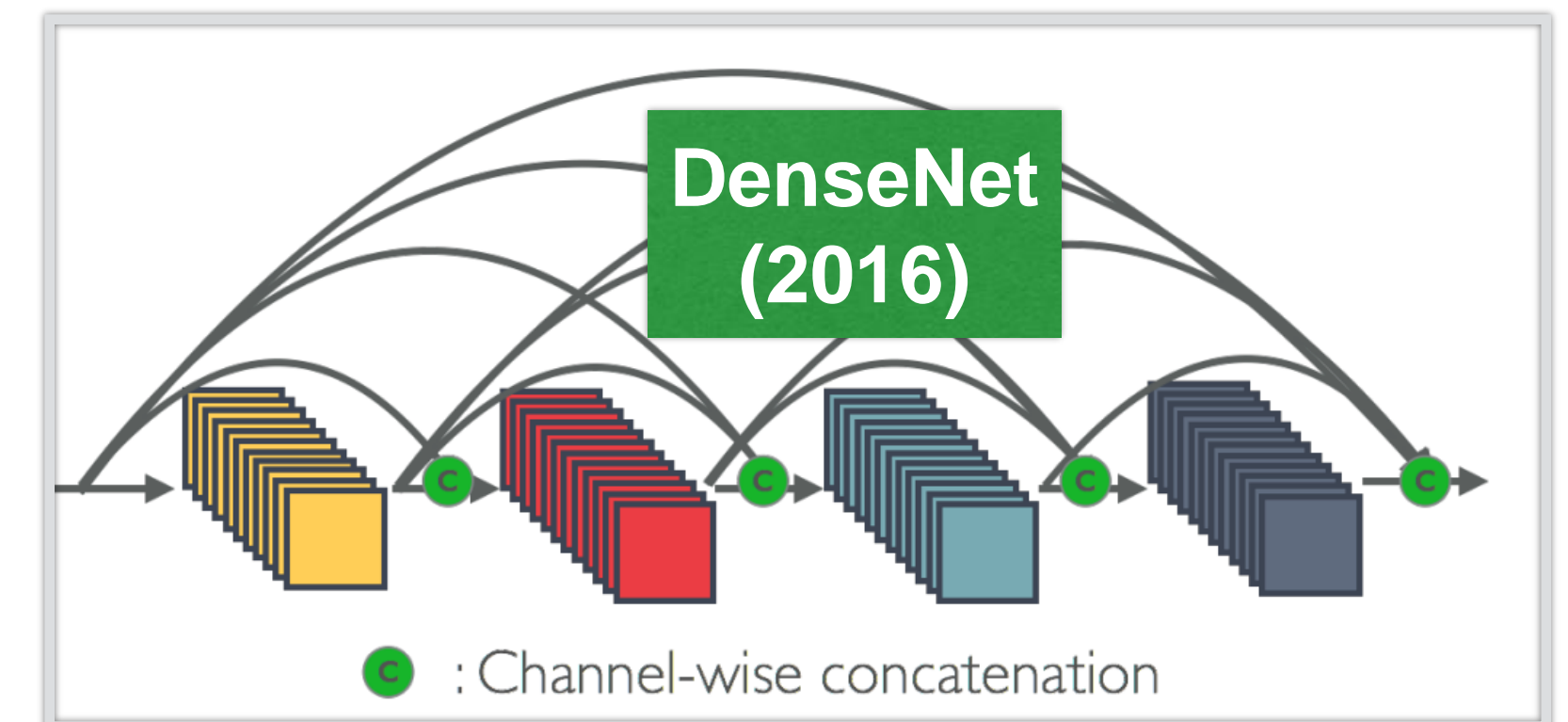
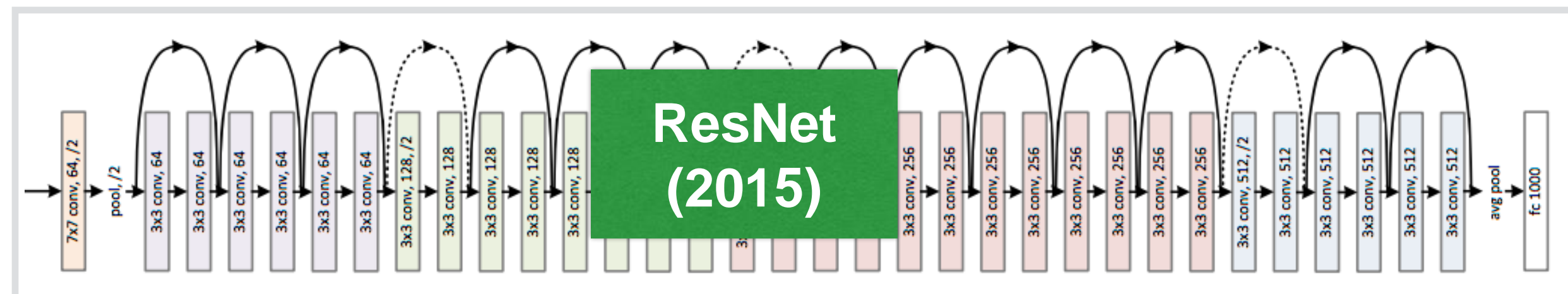
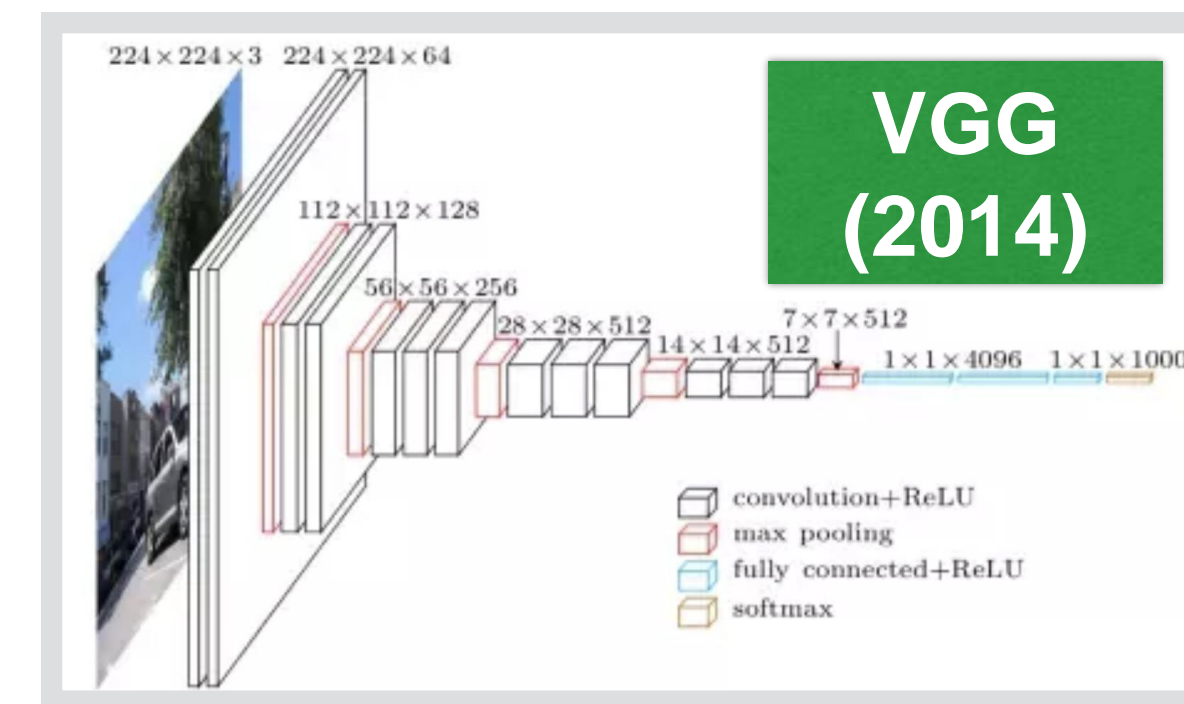
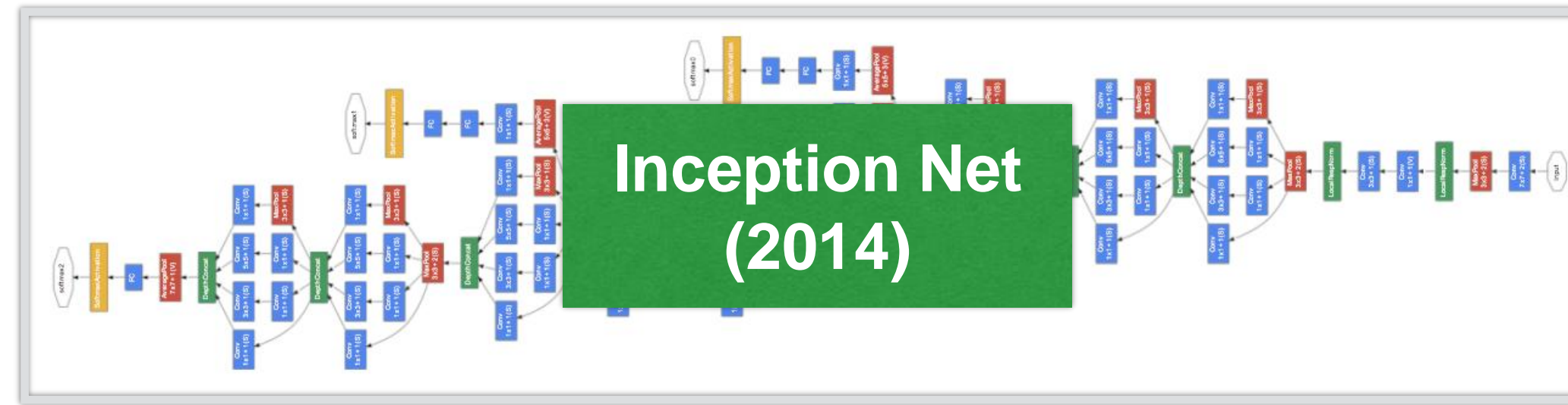
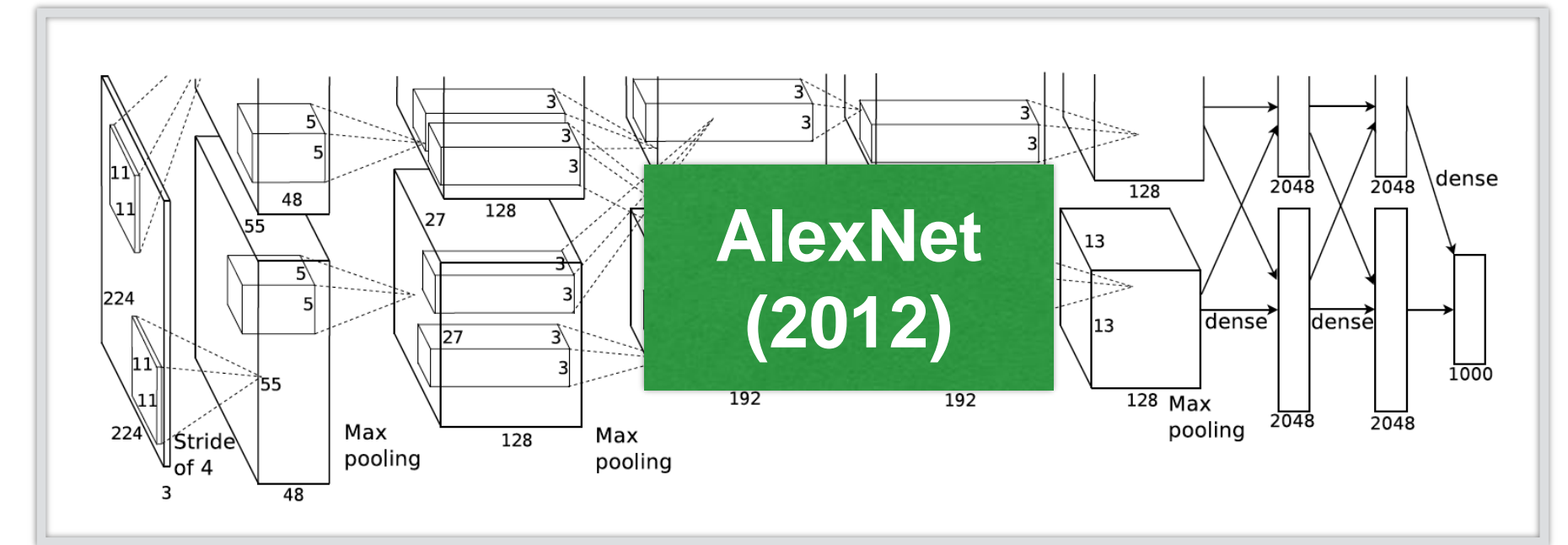
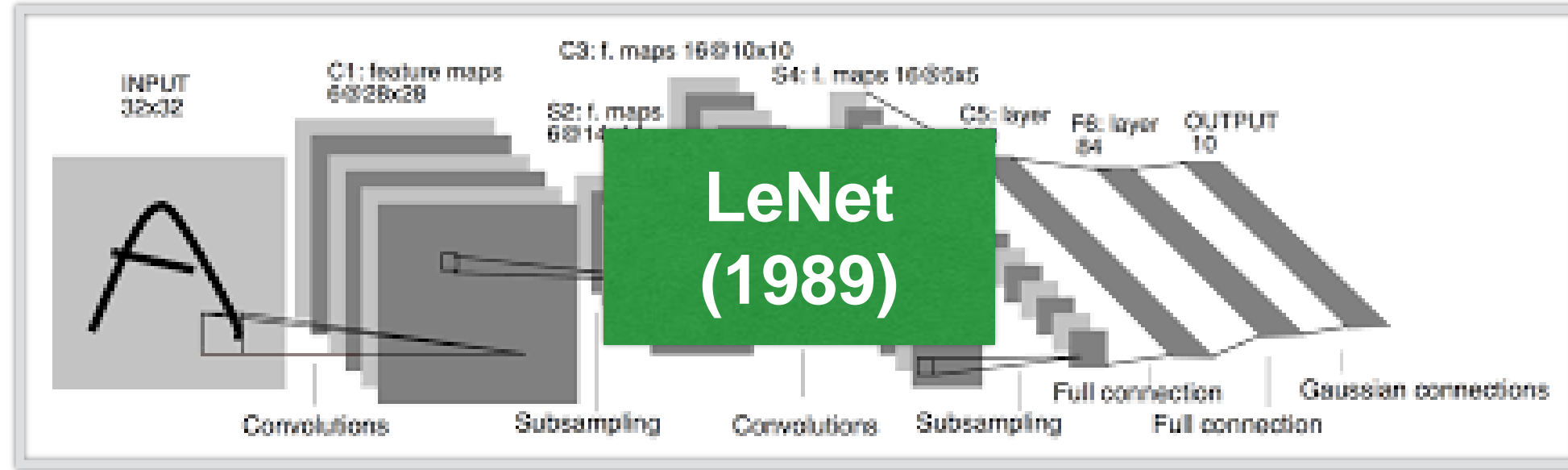
Early layers recognize simple patterns



# Convolutional Neural Networks

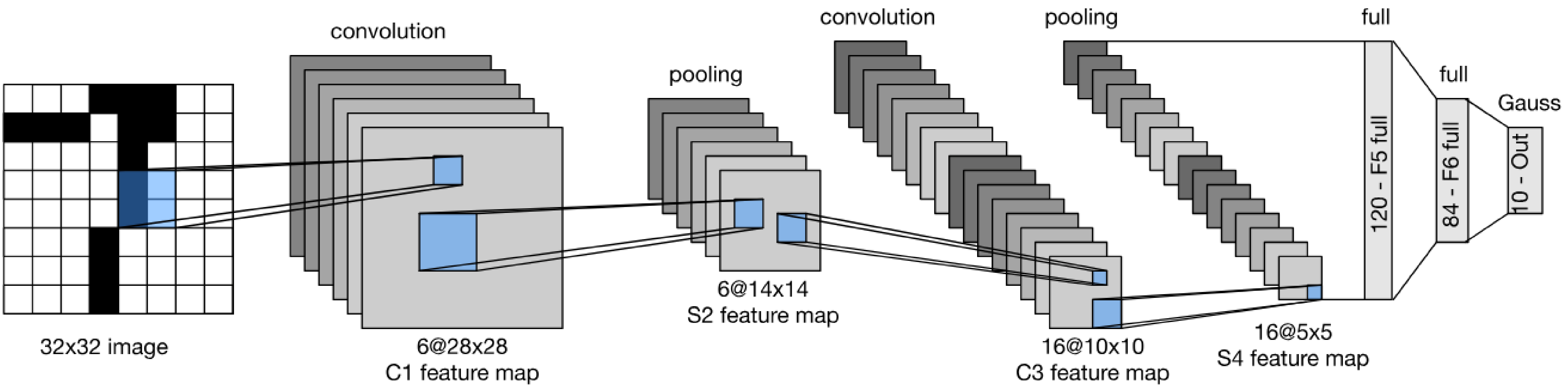
## Examples

# Evolution of neural net architectures

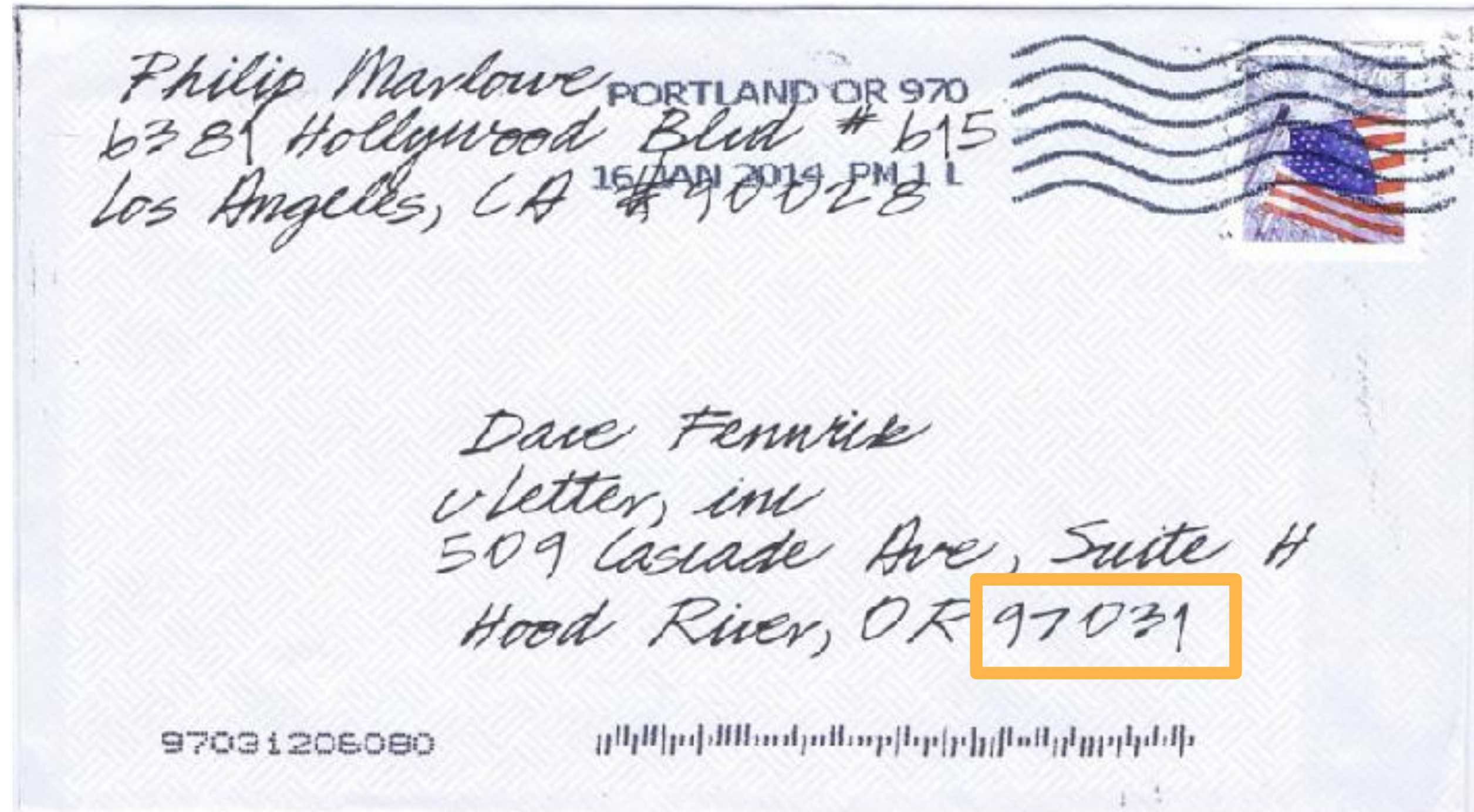


# LeNet Architecture

(first convolutional neural net; 1989)



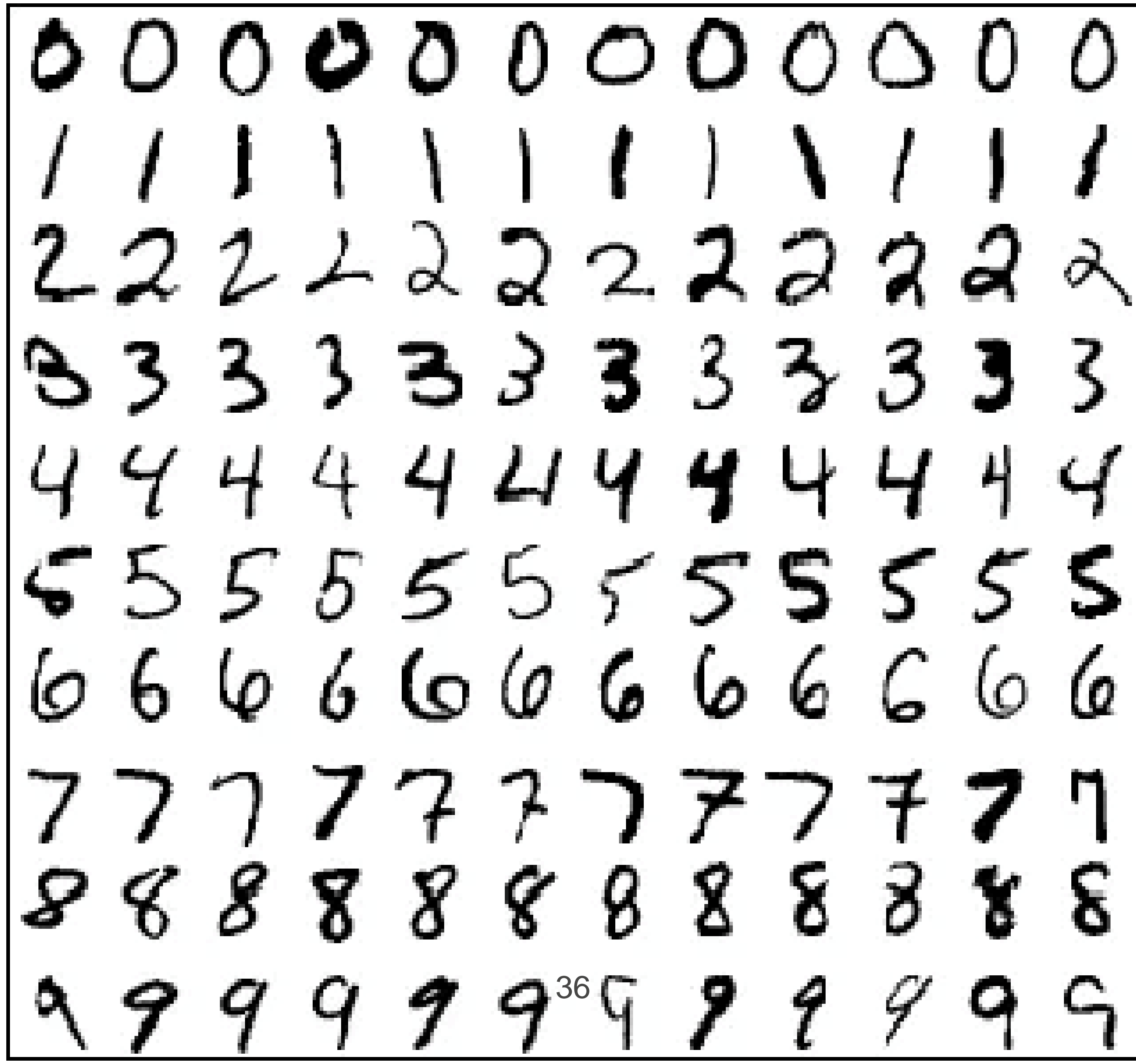
# Handwritten Digit Recognition





# MNIST

- Centered and scaled
- 50,000 training data
- 10,000 test data
- 28 x 28 images
- 10 classes

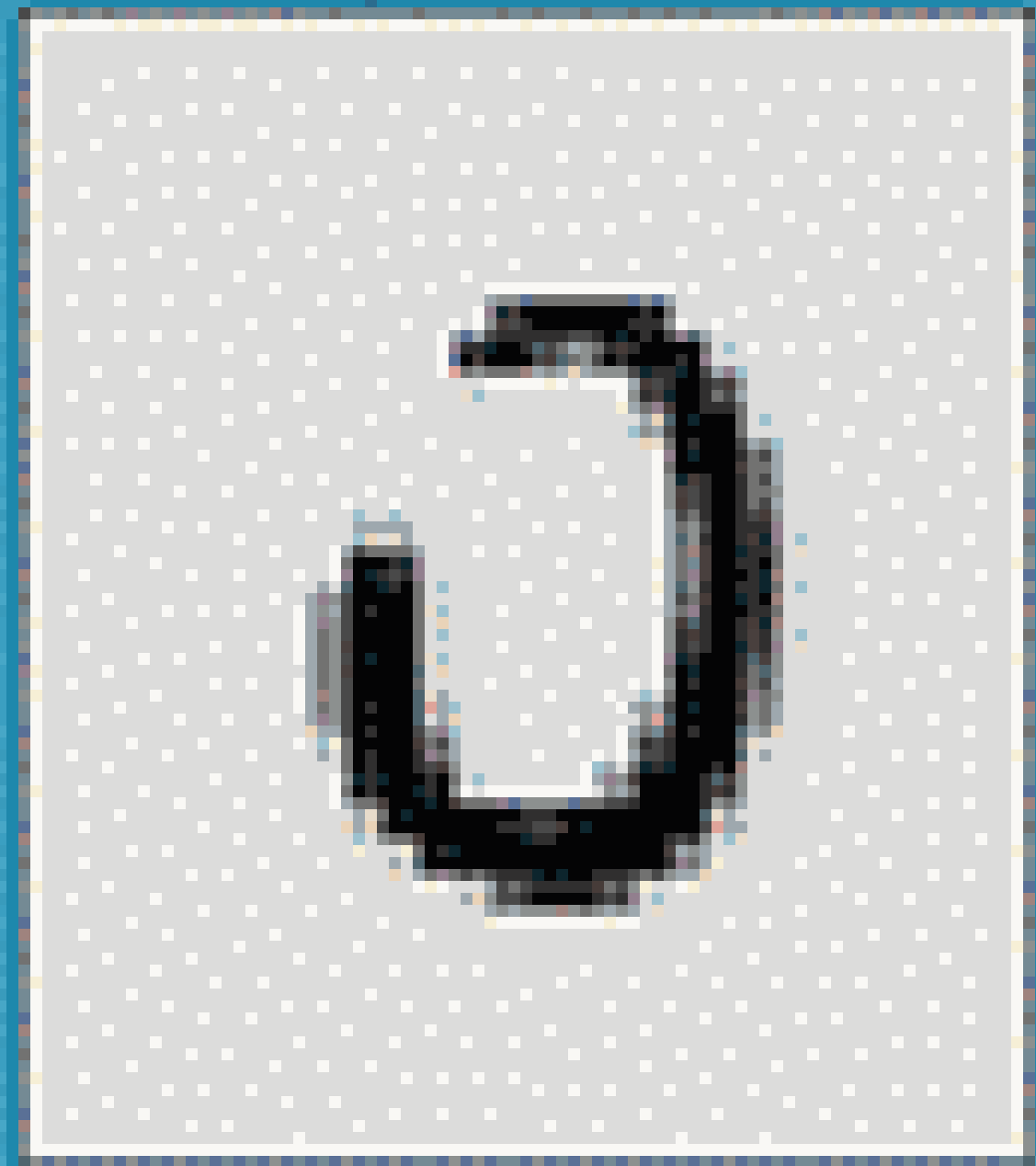




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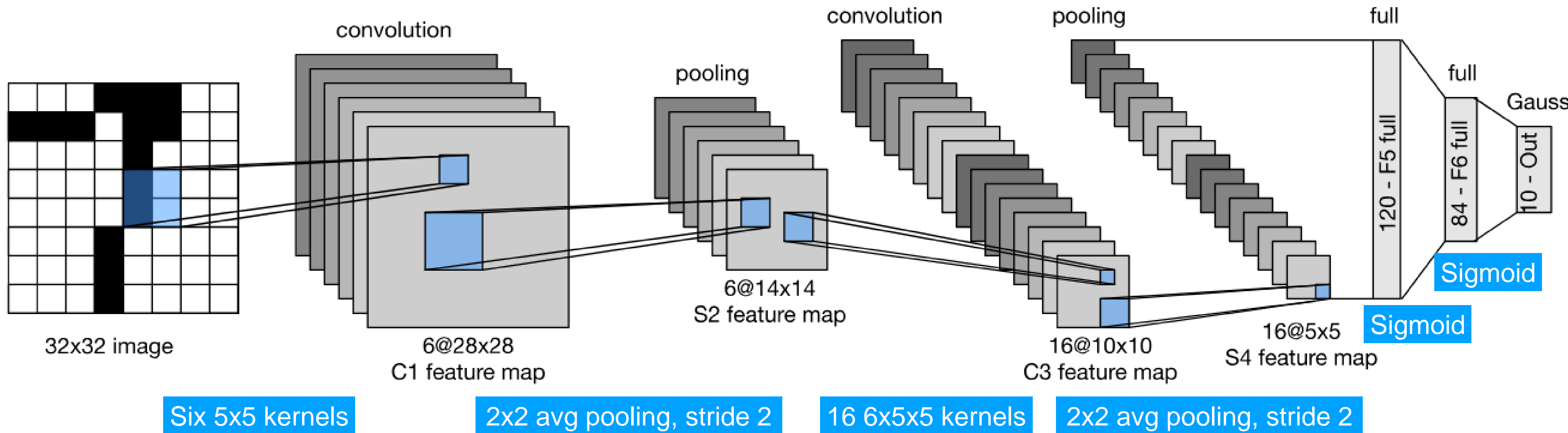
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Y. LeCun, L. Bottou, Y. Bengio, P. Haffner, 1998  
Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition

# LeNet Architecture



# LeNet in Pytorch

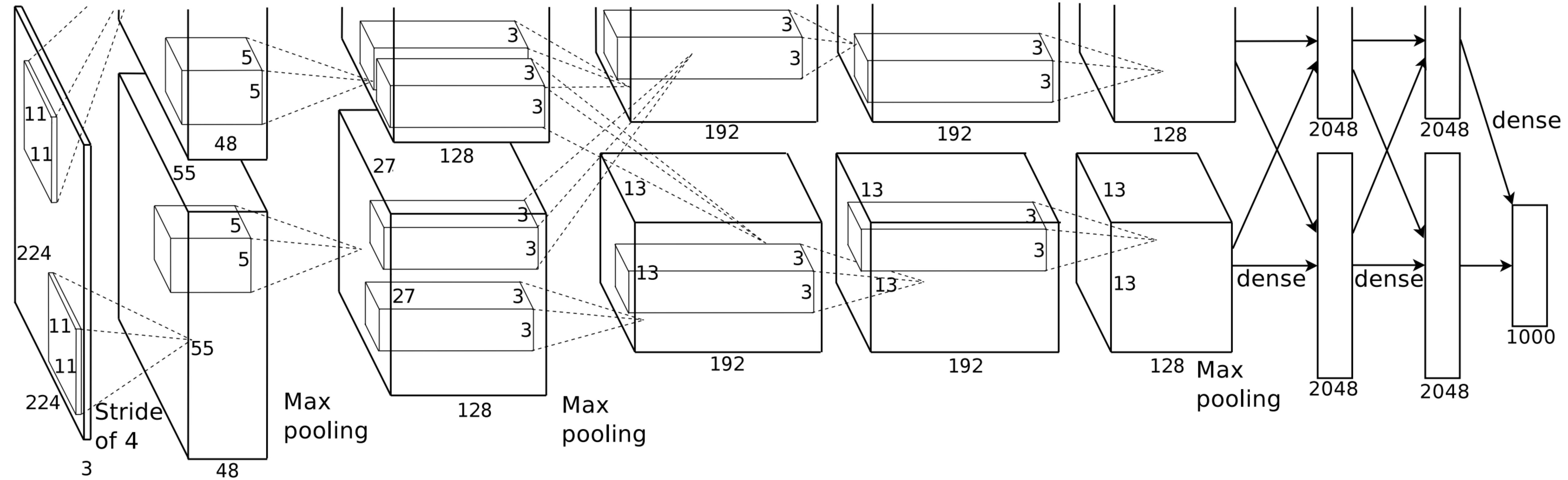
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def __init__(self):
    super(LeNet5, self).__init__()
    # Convolution (In LeNet-5, 32x32 images are given as input. Hence padding of 2 is done below)
    self.conv1 = torch.nn.Conv2d(in_channels=1, out_channels=6, kernel_size=5, stride=1, padding=2, bias=True)
    # Max-pooling
    self.max_pool_1 = torch.nn.MaxPool2d(kernel_size=2)
    # Convolution
    self.conv2 = torch.nn.Conv2d(in_channels=6, out_channels=16, kernel_size=5, stride=1, padding=0, bias=True)
    # Max-pooling
    self.max_pool_2 = torch.nn.MaxPool2d(kernel_size=2)
    # Fully connected layer
    self.fc1 = torch.nn.Linear(16*5*5, 120) # convert matrix with 16*5*5 (= 400) features to a matrix of 120 features (columns)
    self.fc2 = torch.nn.Linear(120, 84) # convert matrix with 120 features to a matrix of 84 features (columns)
    self.fc3 = torch.nn.Linear(84, 10) # convert matrix with 84 features to a matrix of 10 features (columns)
```

```
def forward(self, x):
    # convolve, then perform ReLU non-linearity
    x = torch.nn.functional.relu(self.conv1(x))
    # max-pooling with 2x2 grid
    x = self.max_pool_1(x)
    # convolve, then perform ReLU non-linearity
    x = torch.nn.functional.relu(self.conv2(x))
    # max-pooling with 2x2 grid
    x = self.max_pool_2(x)
    # first flatten 'max_pool_2_out' to contain 16*5*5 columns
    # read through https://stackoverflow.com/a/42482819/7551231
    x = x.view(-1, 16*5*5)
    # FC-1, then perform ReLU non-linearity
    x = torch.nn.functional.relu(self.fc1(x))
    # FC-2, then perform ReLU non-linearity
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    # FC-3
    x = self.fc3(x)

    return x
```

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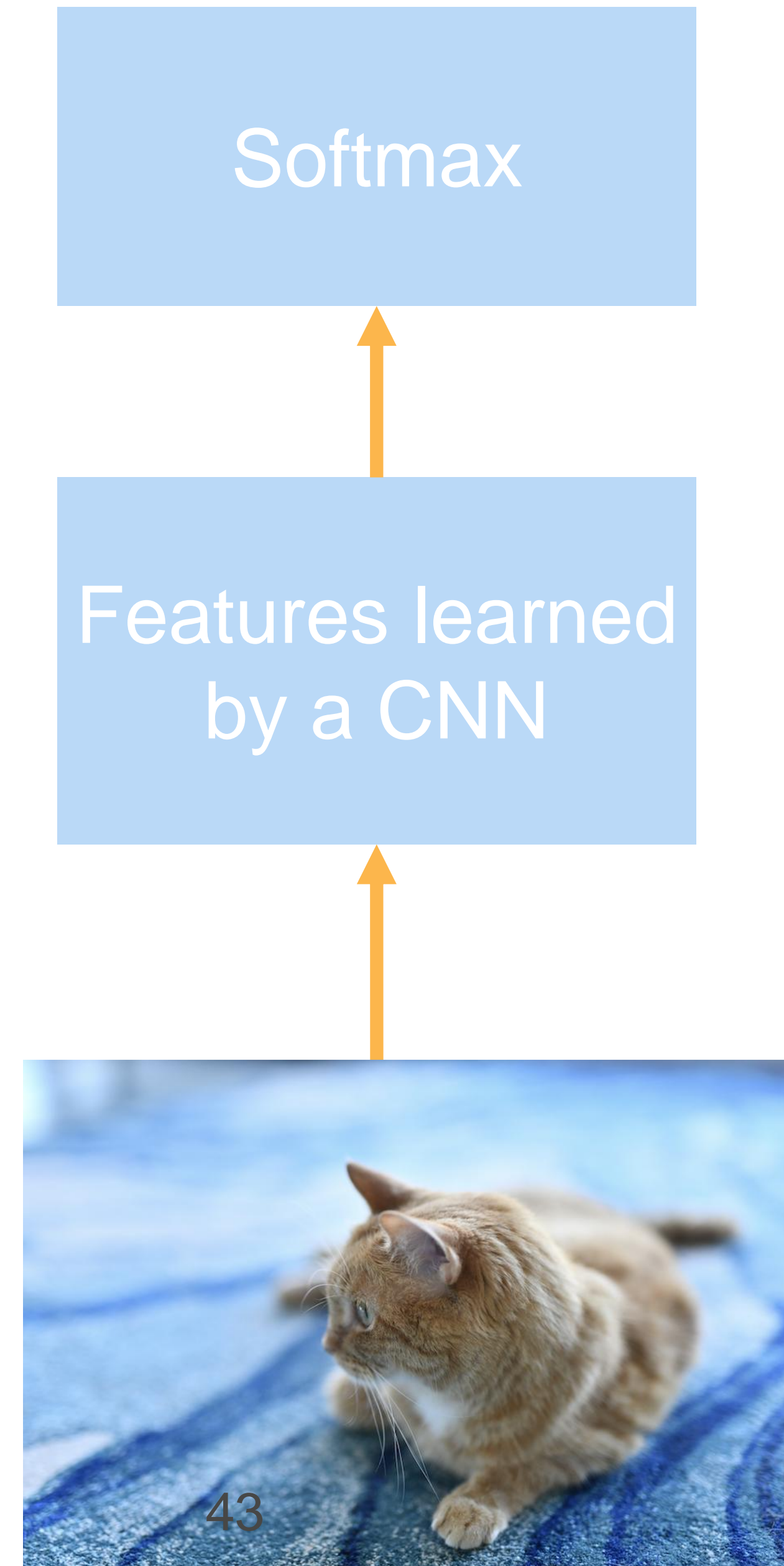
# AlexNet





# AlexNet

- AlexNet won ImageNet competition in 2012
- Deeper and bigger LeNet
- Paradigm shift for computer vision



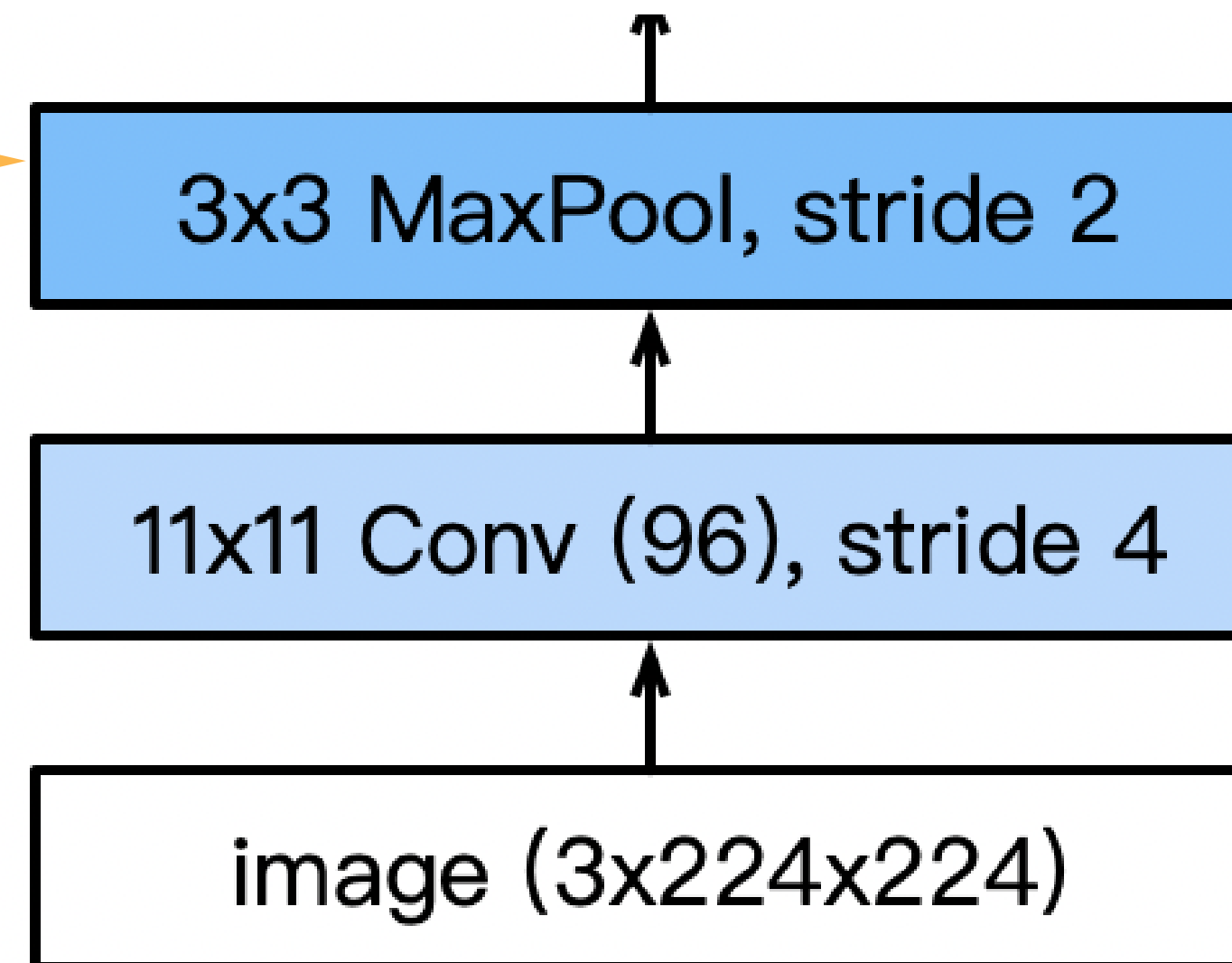


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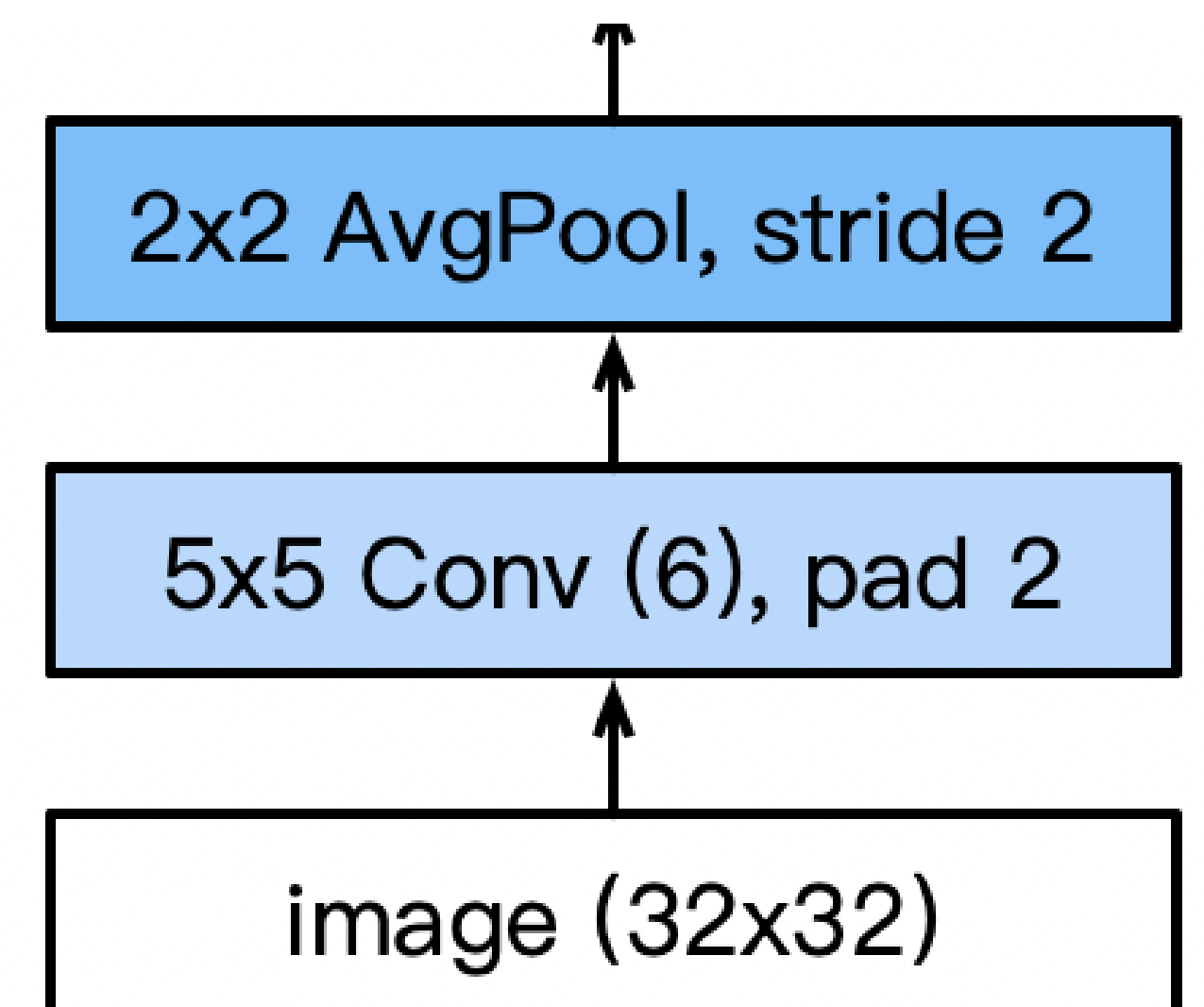
Larger pool size

Larger kernel size, stride because of the increased image size, and more output channels.

## AlexNet

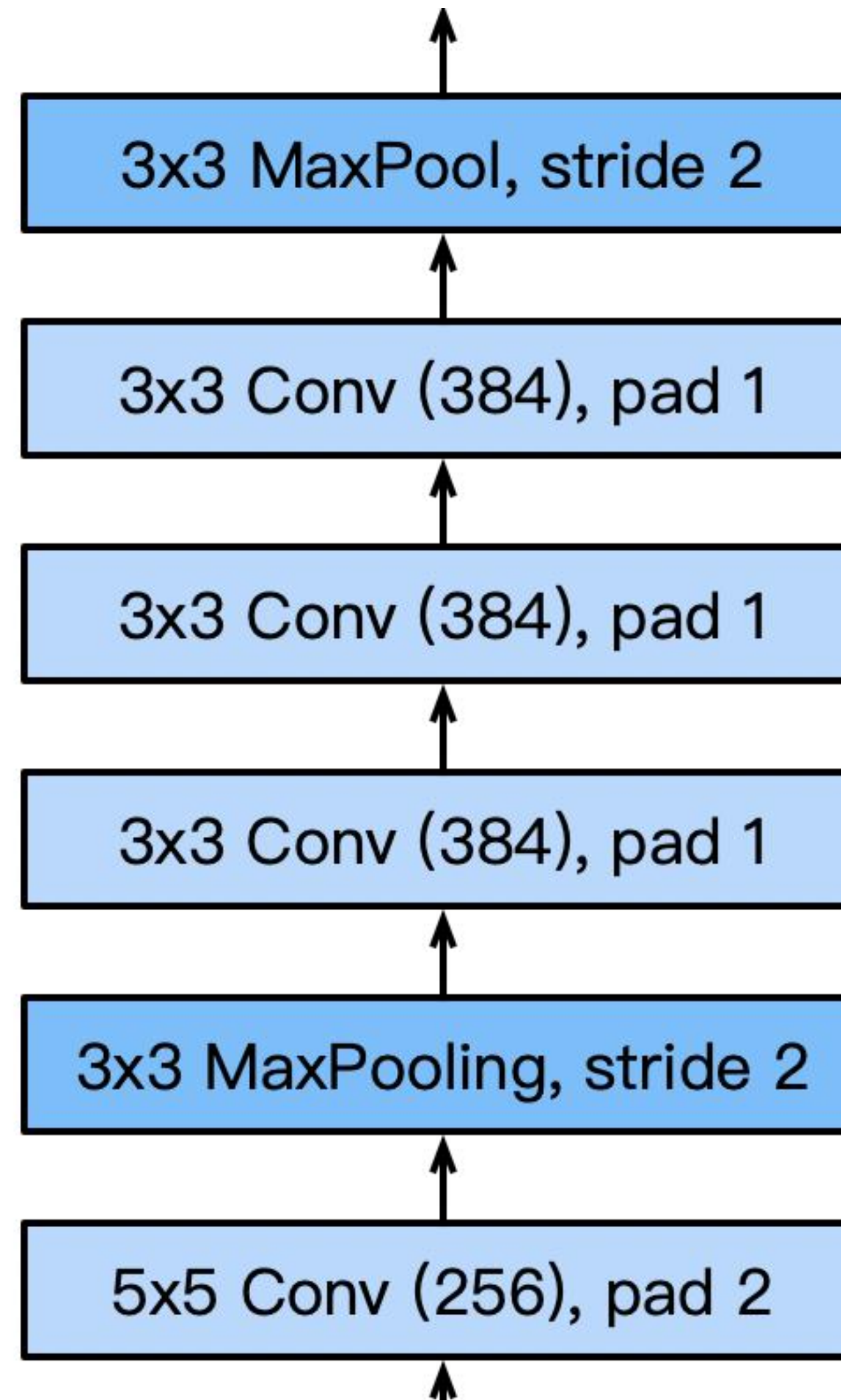


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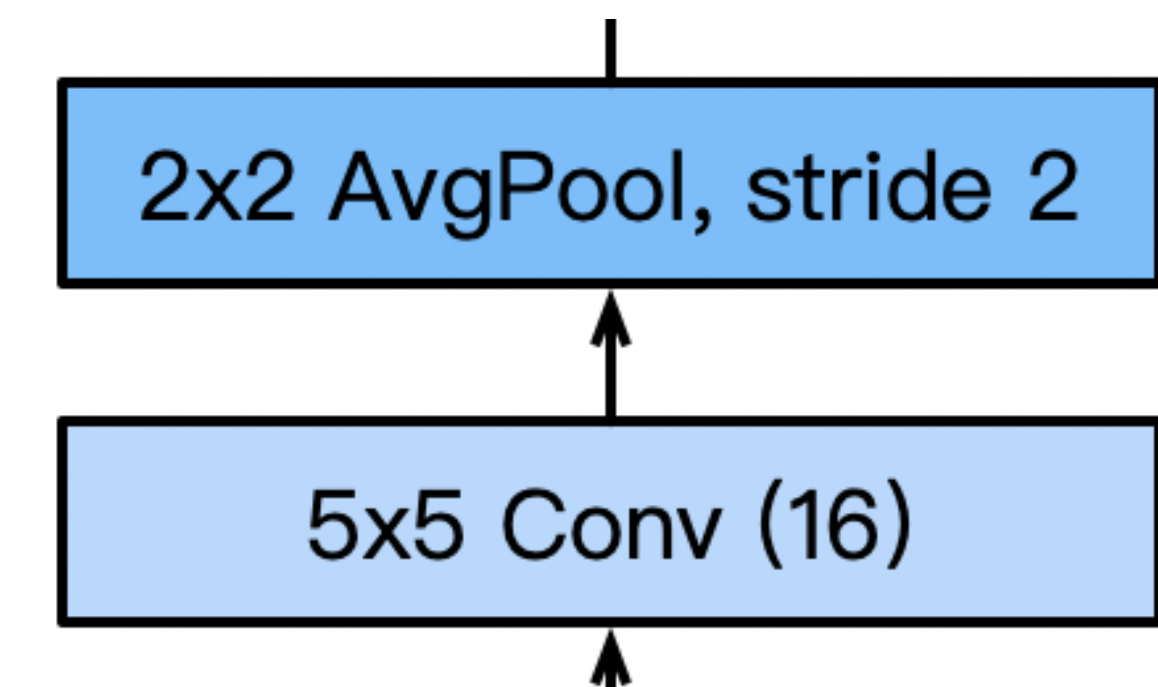
## AlexNet



3 additional convolutional layers

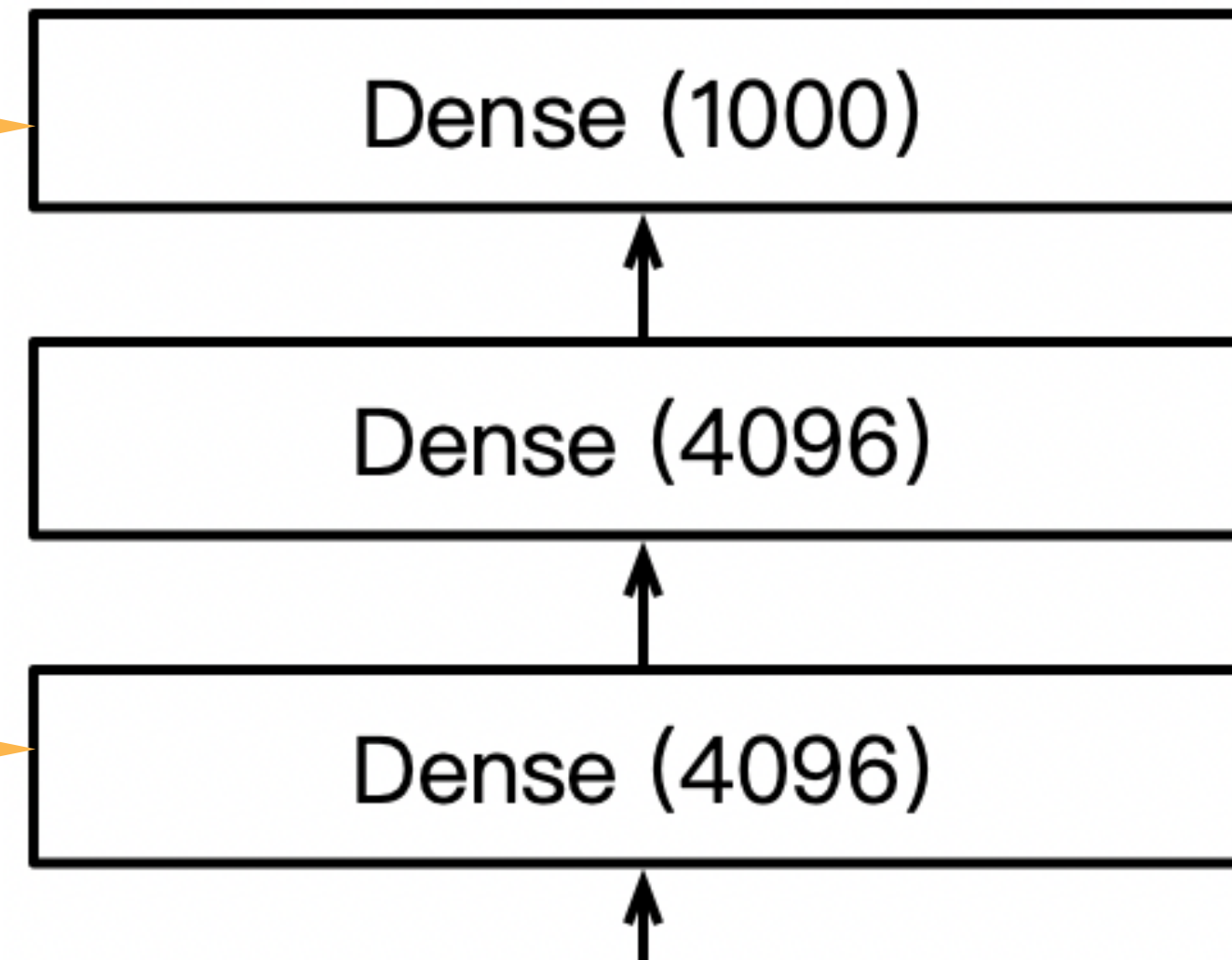
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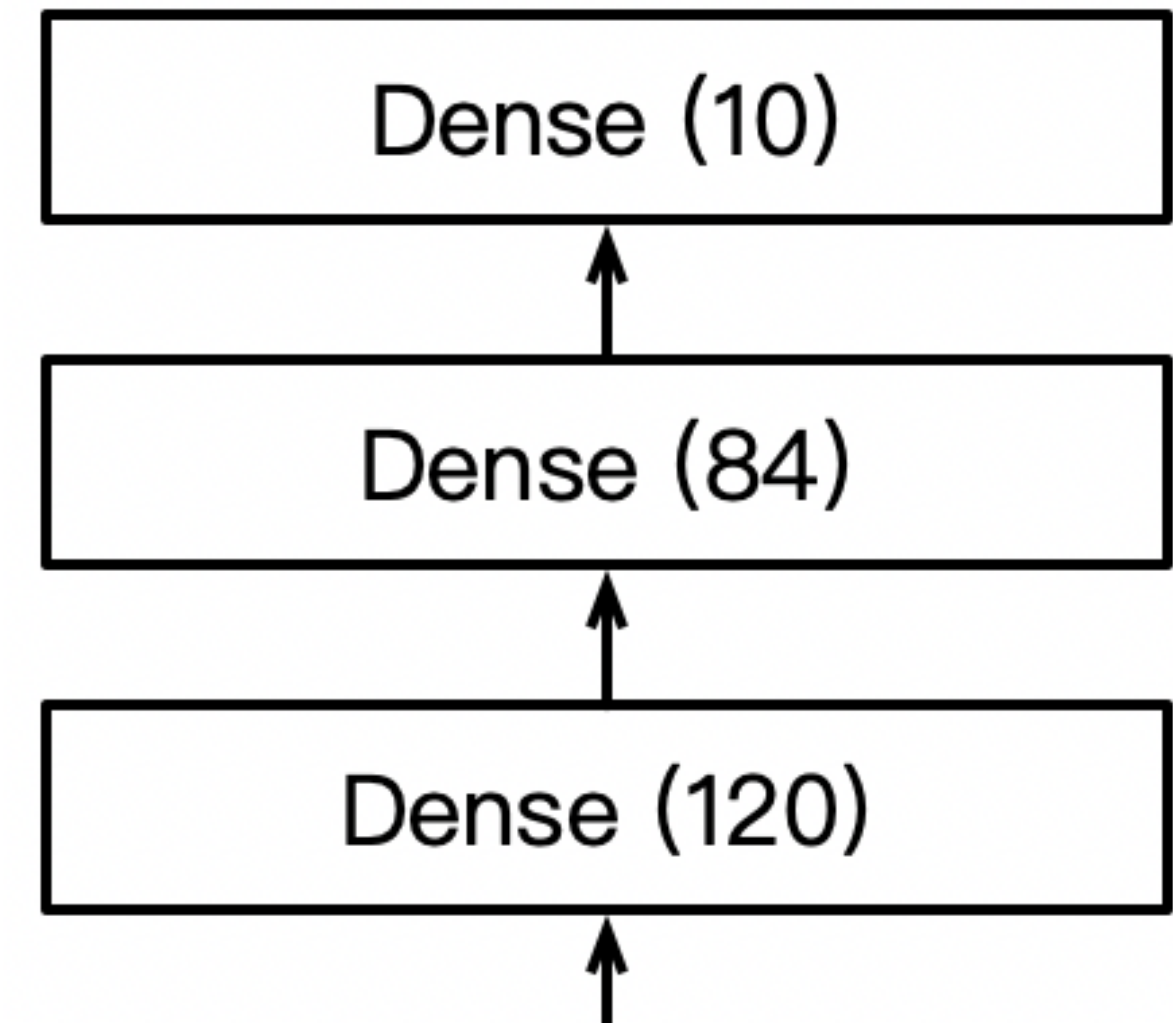
AlexNet



1000 classes output

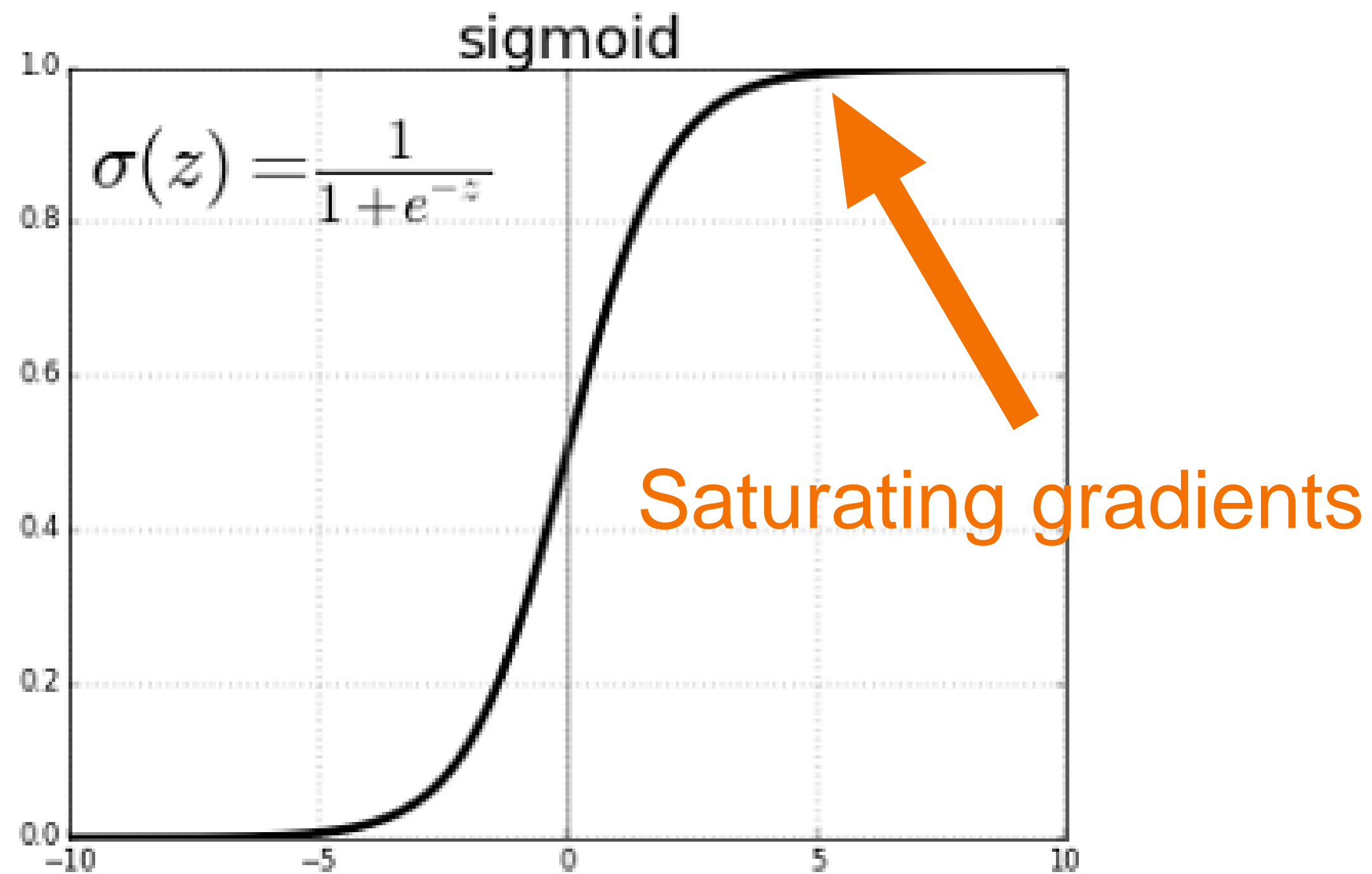
Increase hidden size from 120 to 4096

LeNet



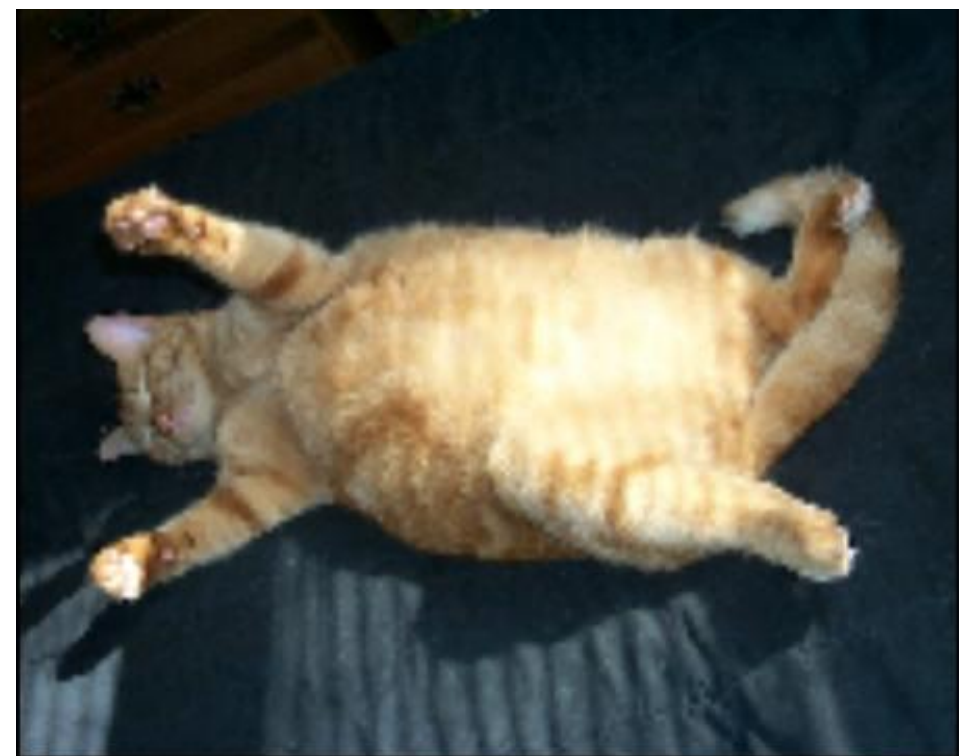
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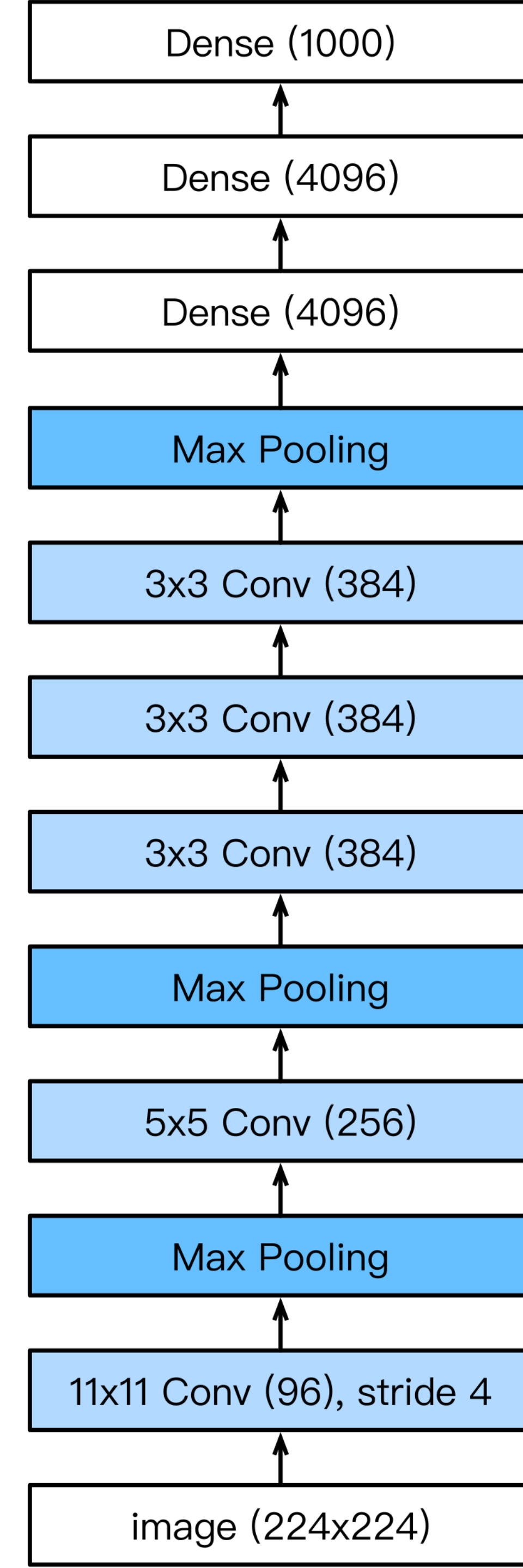
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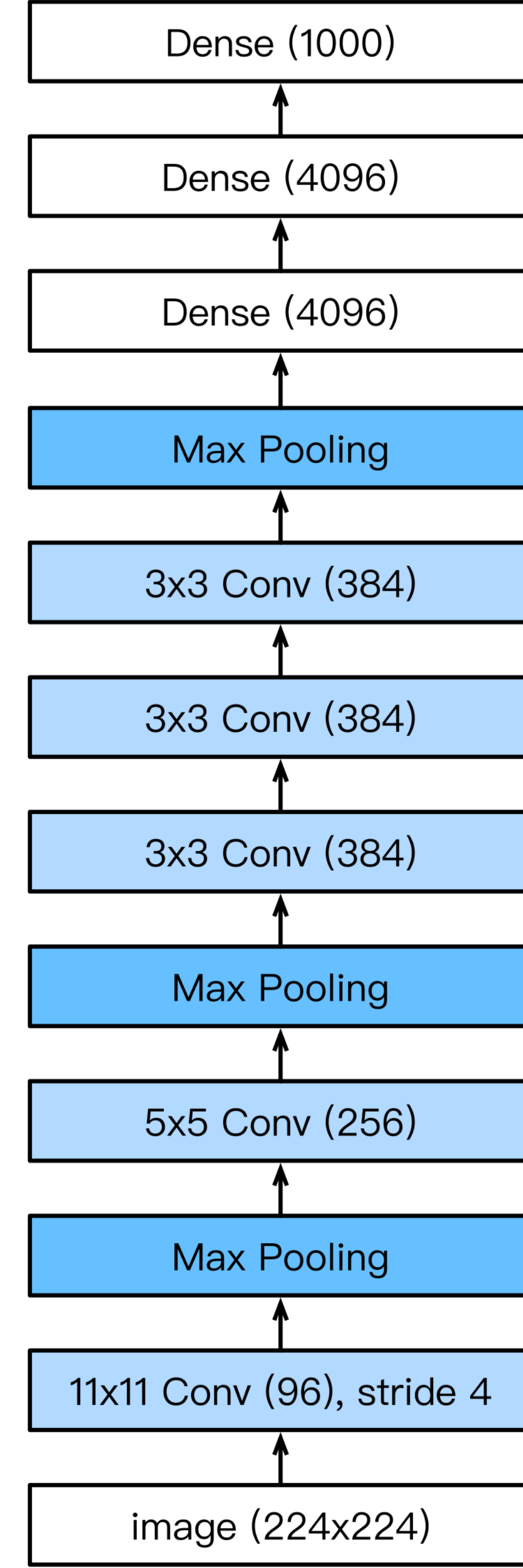
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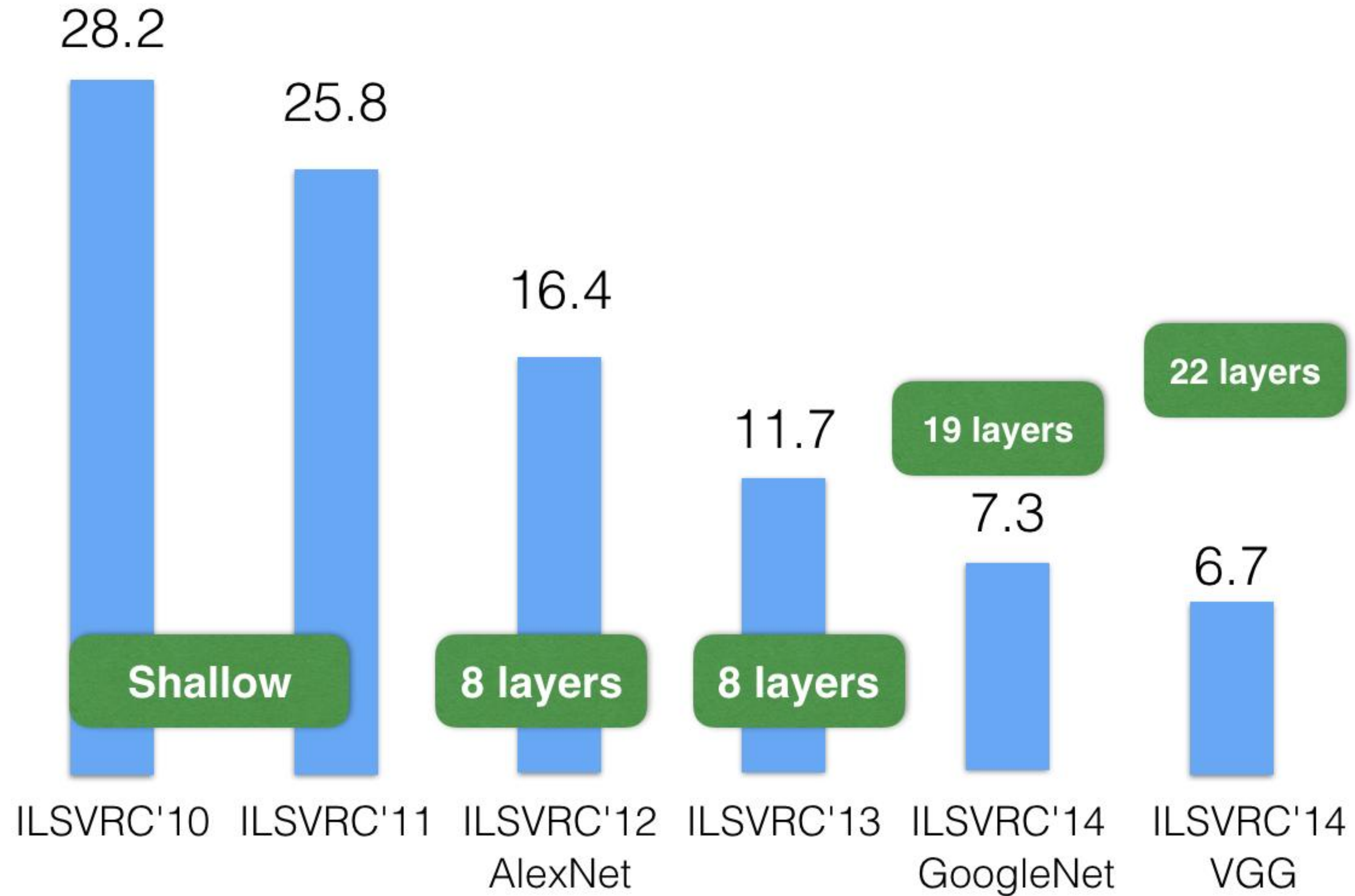


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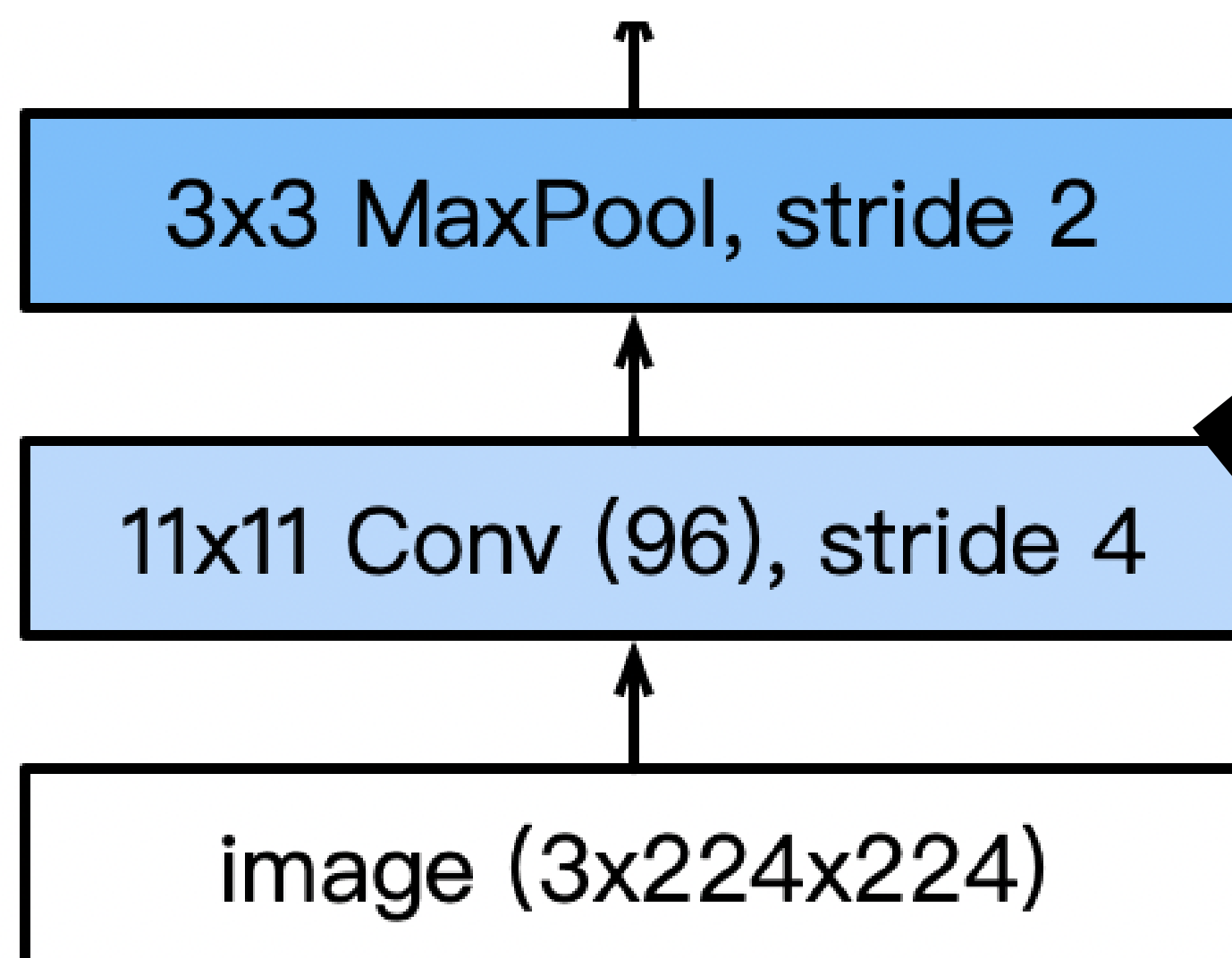




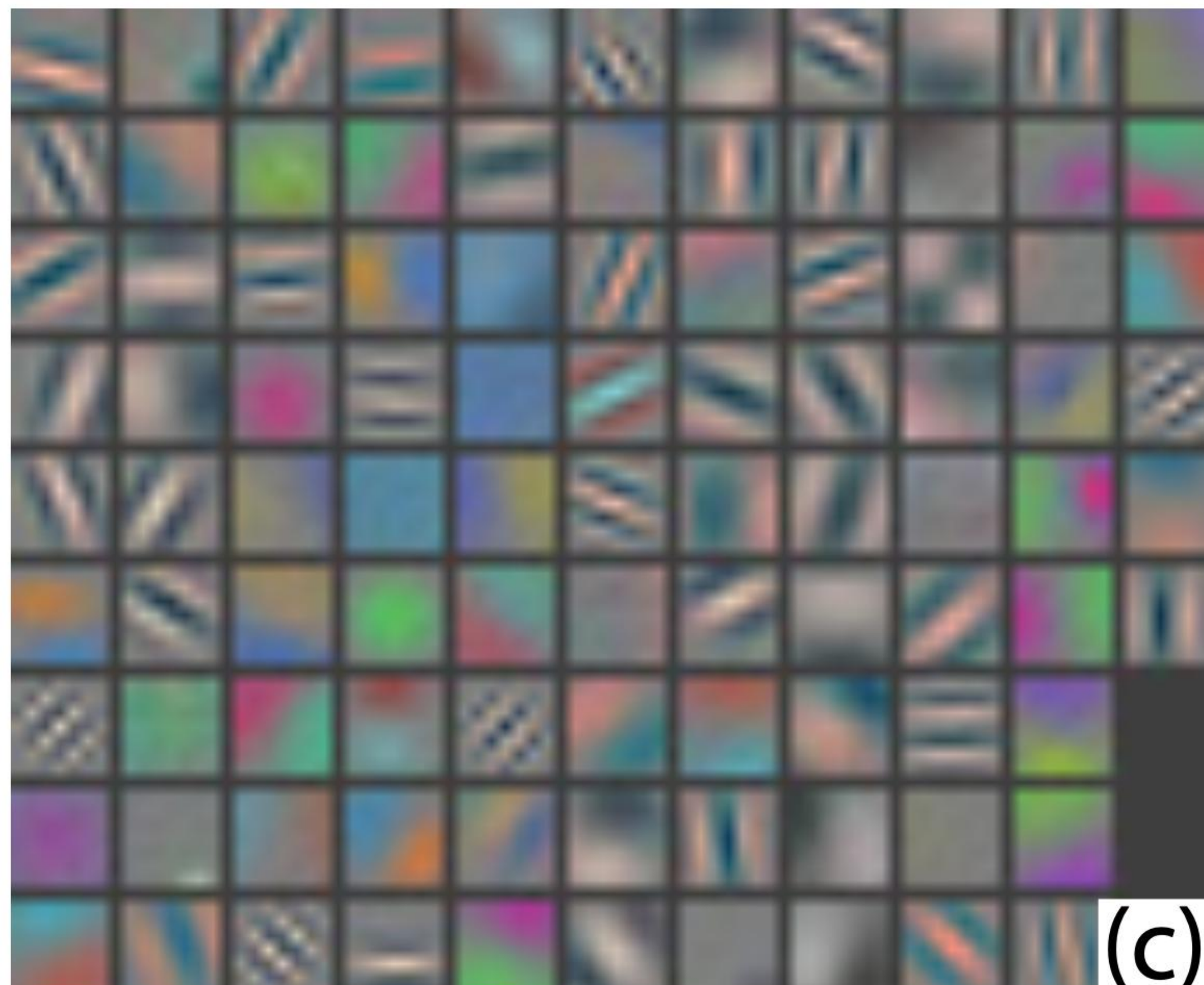
ImageNet Top-5 Classification Error (%)



# AlexNet



Each Conv1 kernel is 3x11x11, can be visualized as an RGB patch:



[Visualizing and Understanding Convolutional Networks. M Zeiler & R Fergus 2013]

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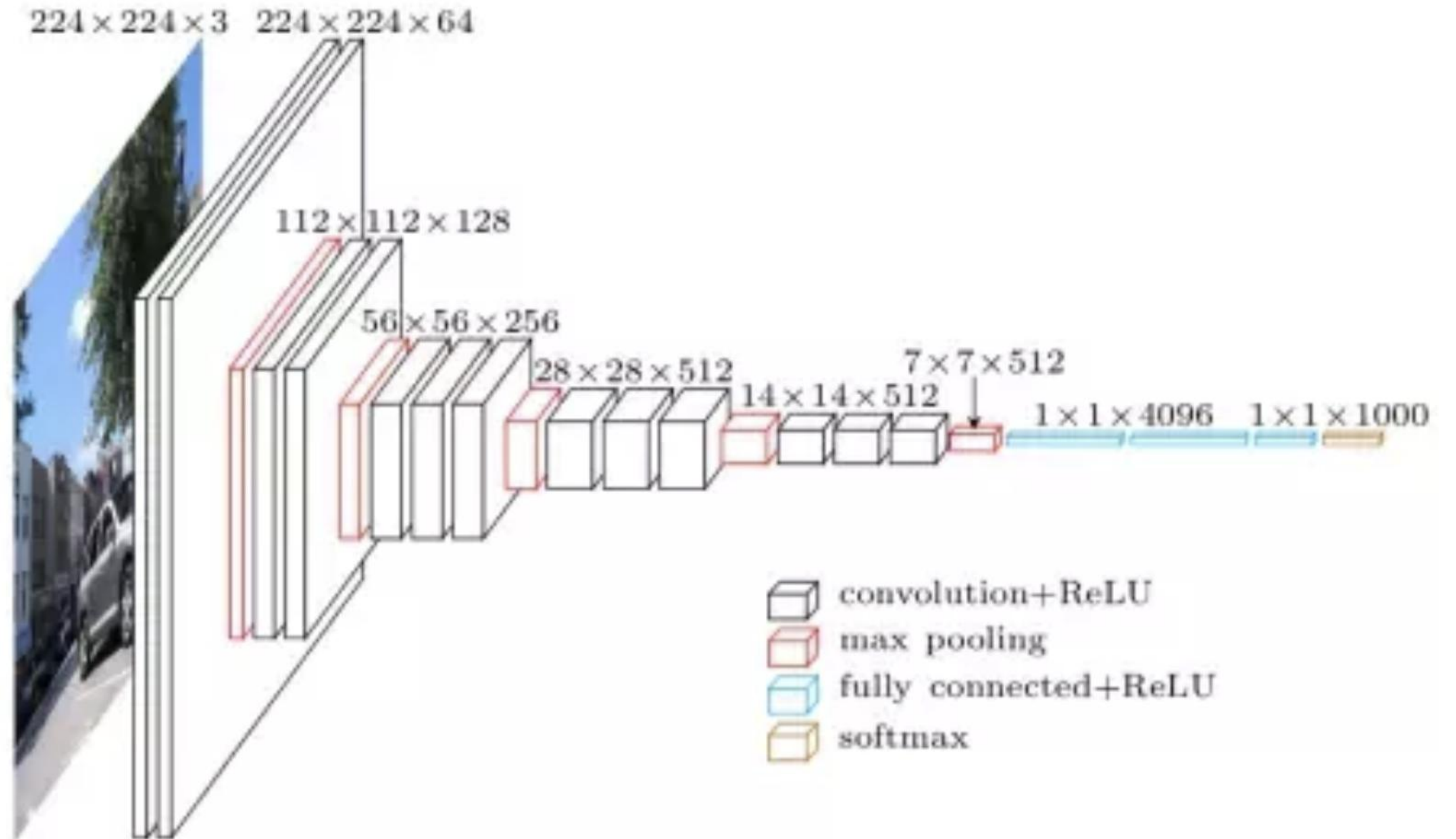
**All options are true!**

Krizhevsky, A., Sutskever, I., & Hinton, G. E. (2012). Imagenet classification with deep convolutional neural networks.

*Advances in neural information processing systems* (pp. 1097–1105).



# VGG



VGG Block: Multiple convolution layers followed by pooling.

# Progress

- LeNet (1995)
  - 2 convolution + pooling layers
  - 2 hidden dense layers
- AlexNet
  - Bigger and deeper LeNet
  - ReLu, preprocessing
- VGG
  - Bigger and deeper AlexNet (repeated VGG blocks)

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# Suggested Reading

Example using PyTorch:

[https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/blitz/cifar10\\_tutorial.html](https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/blitz/cifar10_tutorial.html)

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