



CS540 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Convolutional Neural Networks (II)

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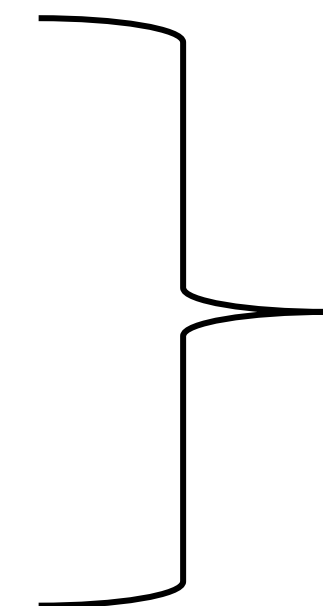
Announcements

- **Homeworks:**

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

- Class roadmap and schedule:

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



Deep
Learning

A stylized green brain graphic is centered in the background, surrounded by numerous short, radiating green lines that create a sunburst effect. The text "it matters" is overlaid on this graphic in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

it matters

Take the Healthy Minds Survey by March 24.

Complete the survey to be entered into a drawing to win a Wiscard deposit:

400 students will receive \$10, and 10 students will receive \$200.

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.
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- Overview the evolution of deeper convolutional networks

How to classify Cats vs. dogs?

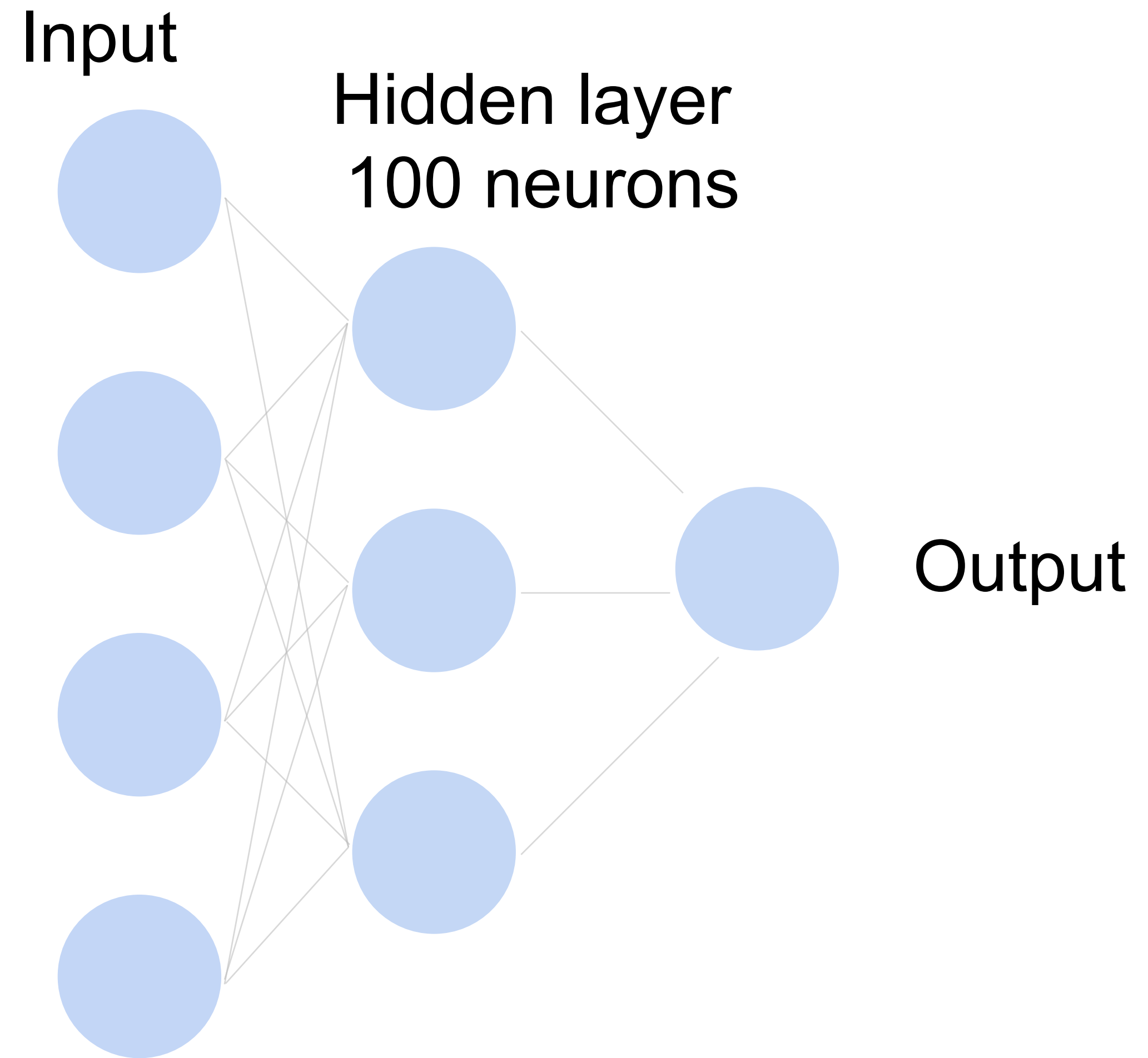


Dual
12MP
wide-angle and
telephoto cameras

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

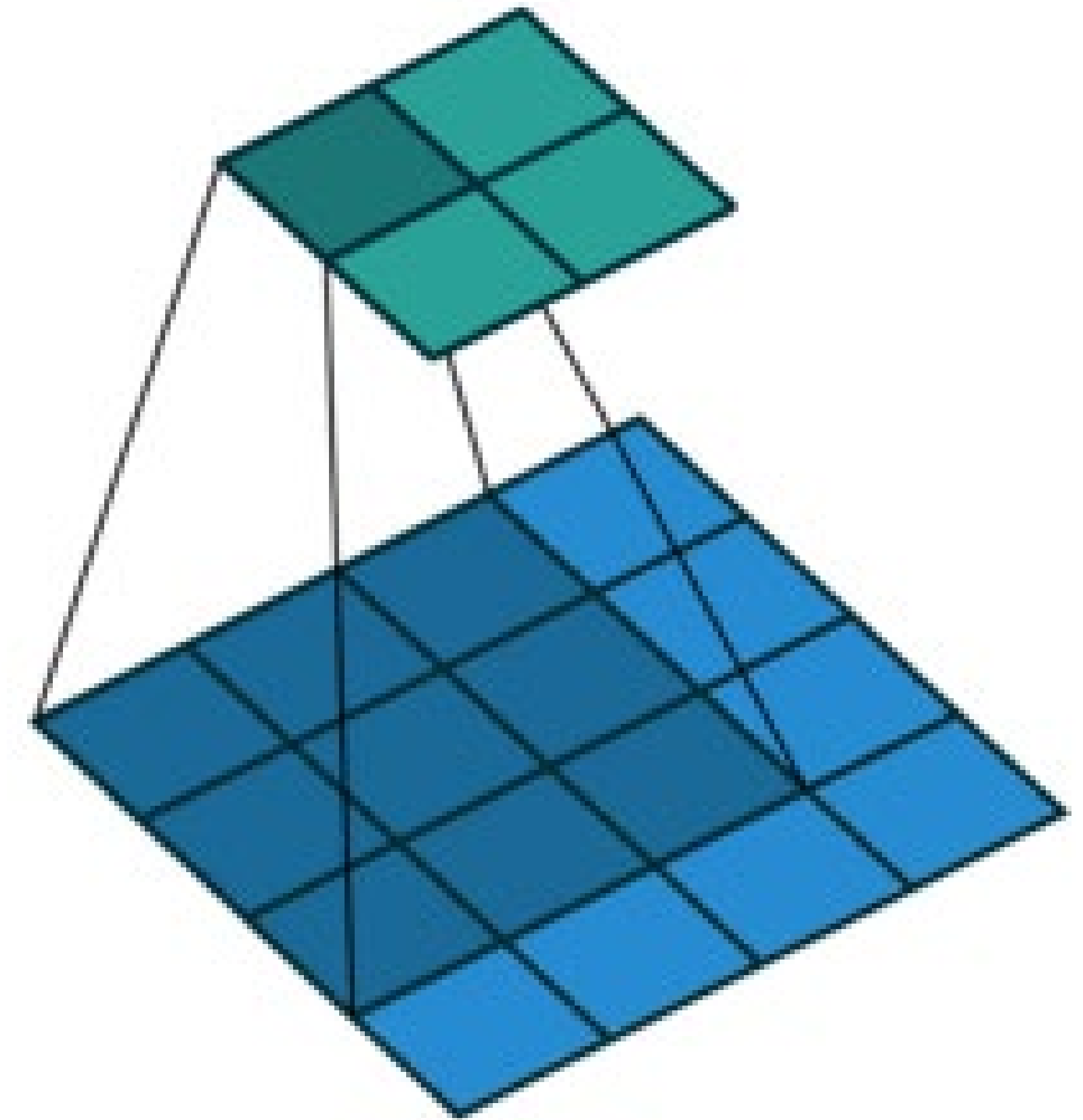
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Output

19	25
37	43

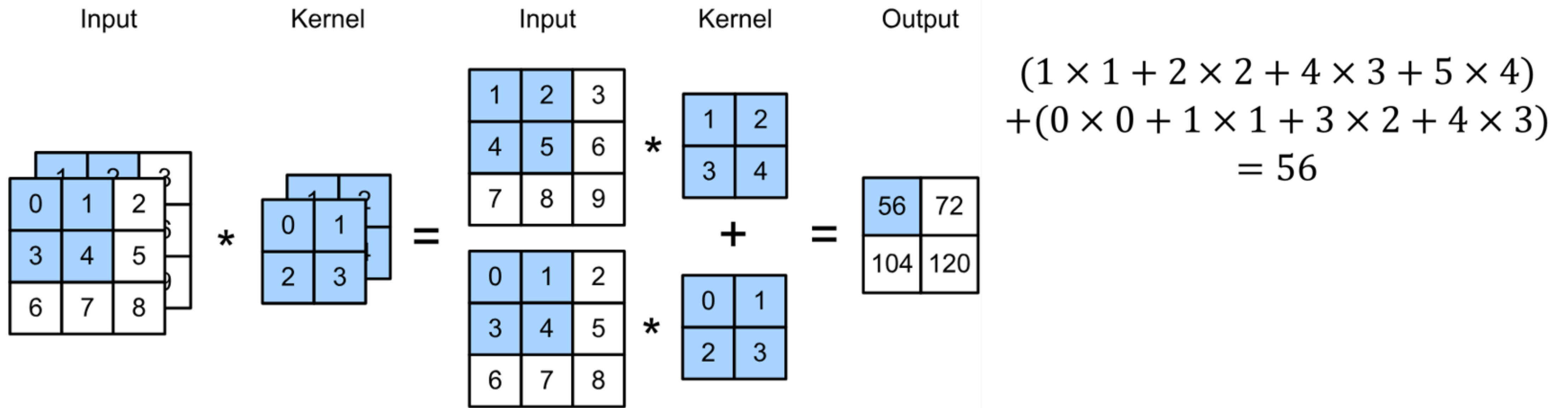
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(vdumoulin@ Github)

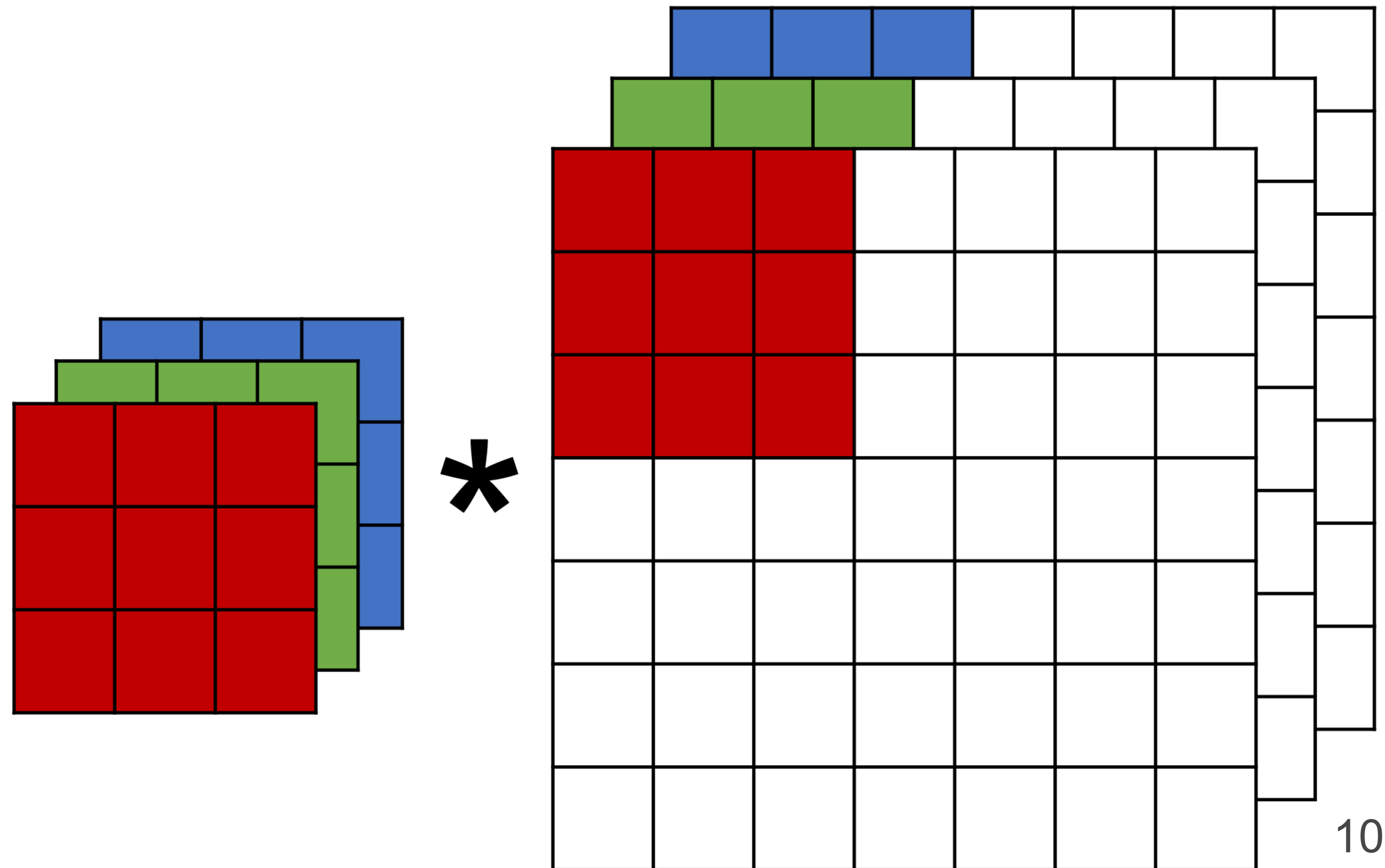
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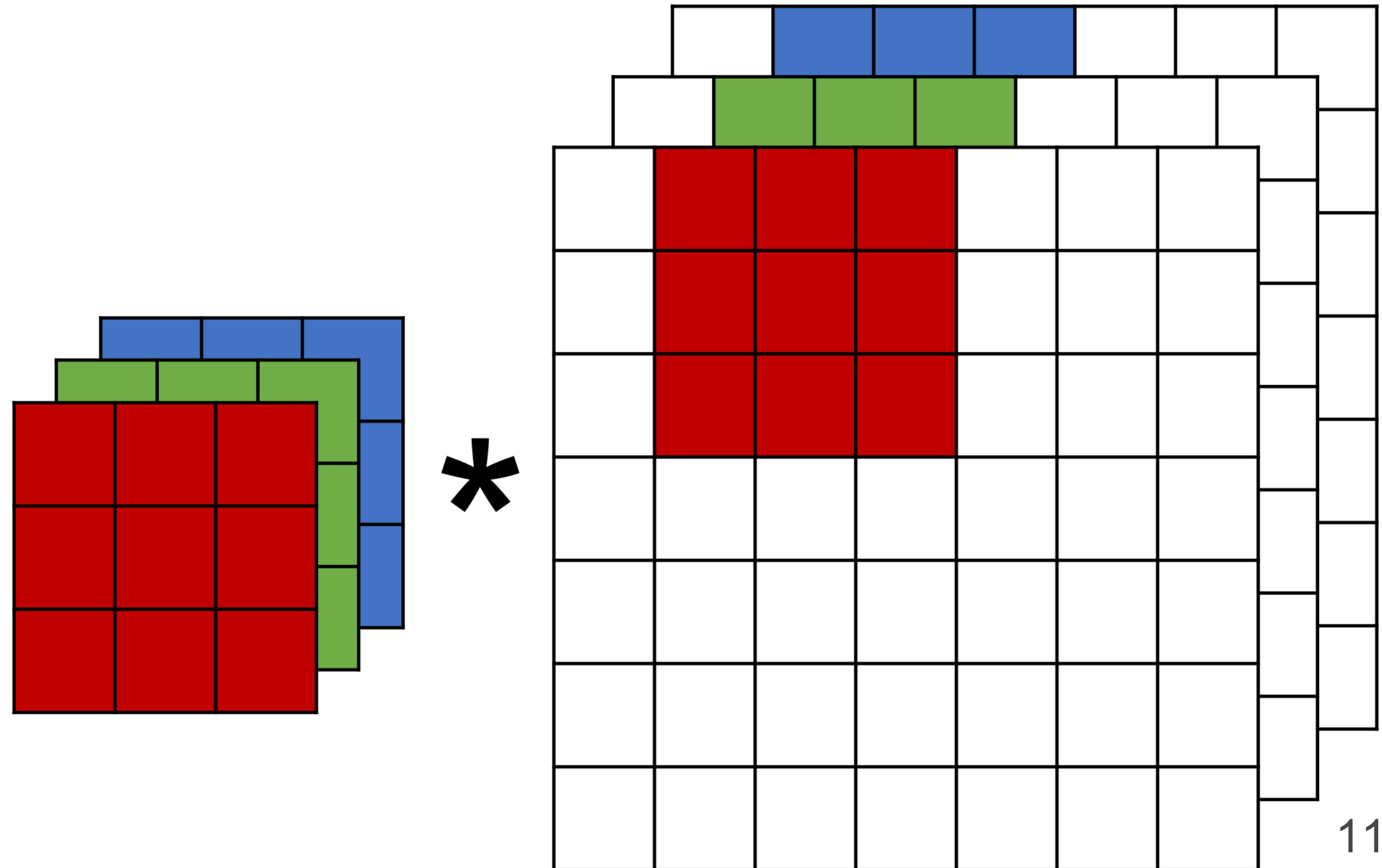
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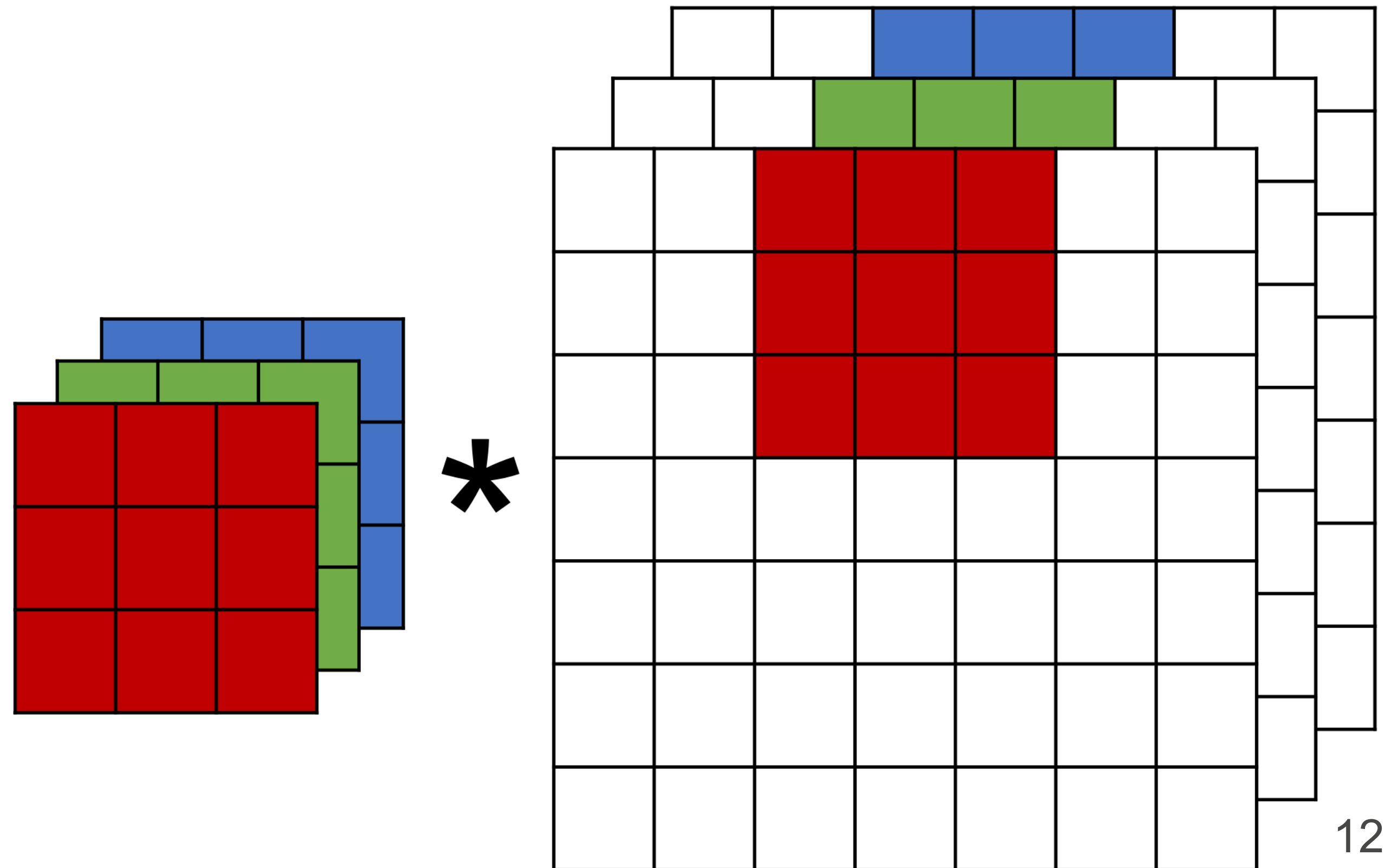
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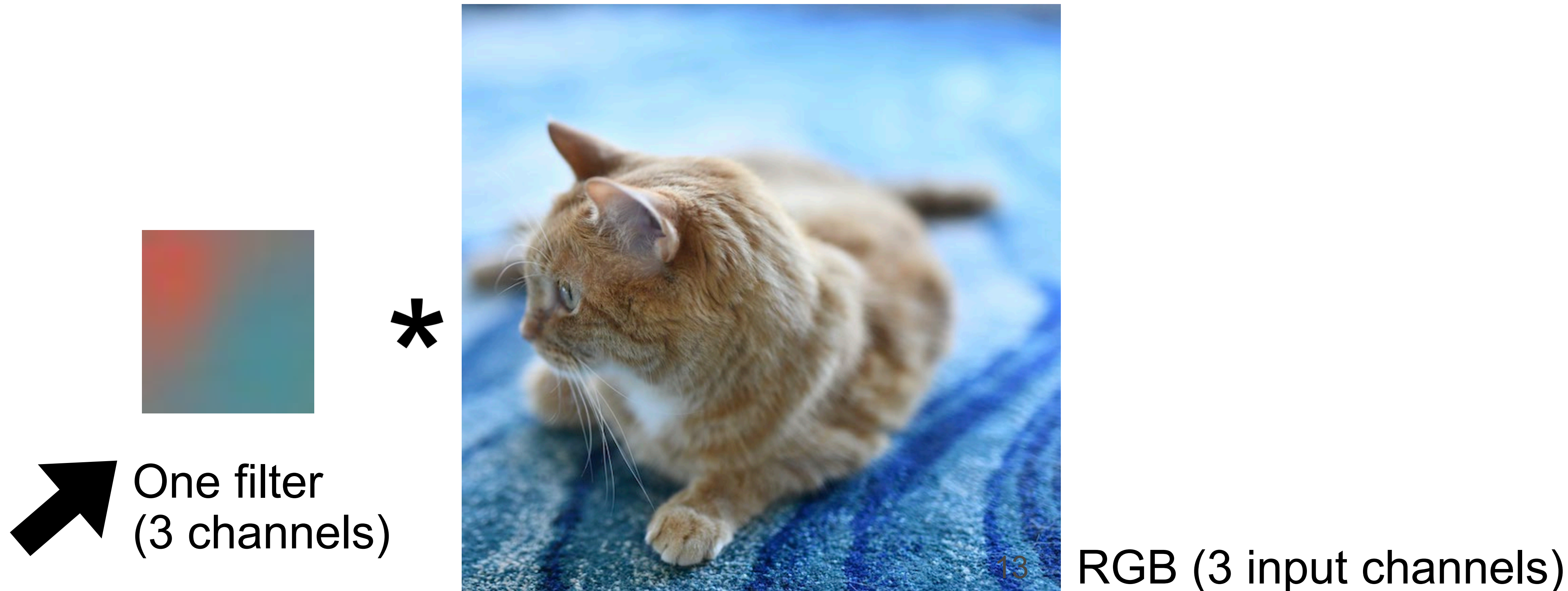
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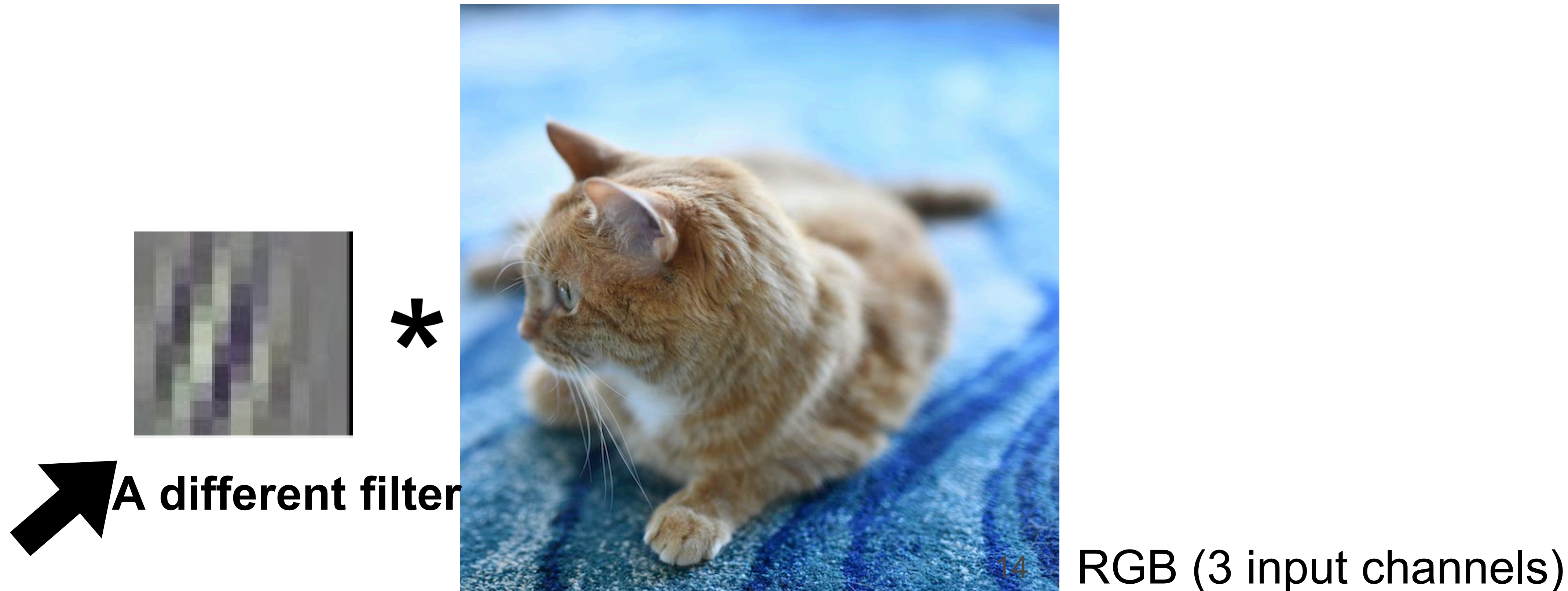
Multiple Input Channels

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- Also call each 3D kernel a “**filter**”, which produces only **one** output channel (due to summation over channels)



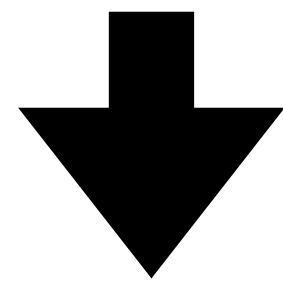
Multiple filters (in one layer)

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

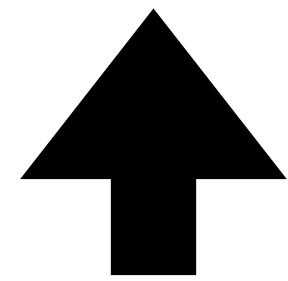


Output shape

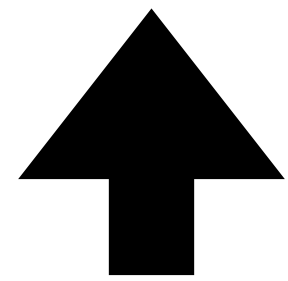
Kernel/filter size



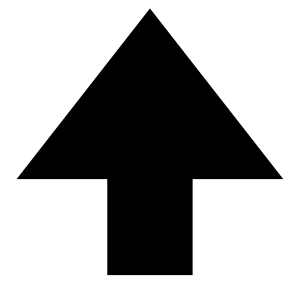
$$\lfloor (n_h - k_h + p_h + s_h) / s_h \rfloor \times \lfloor (n_w - k_w + p_w + s_w) / s_w \rfloor$$



Input size



Pad



Stride

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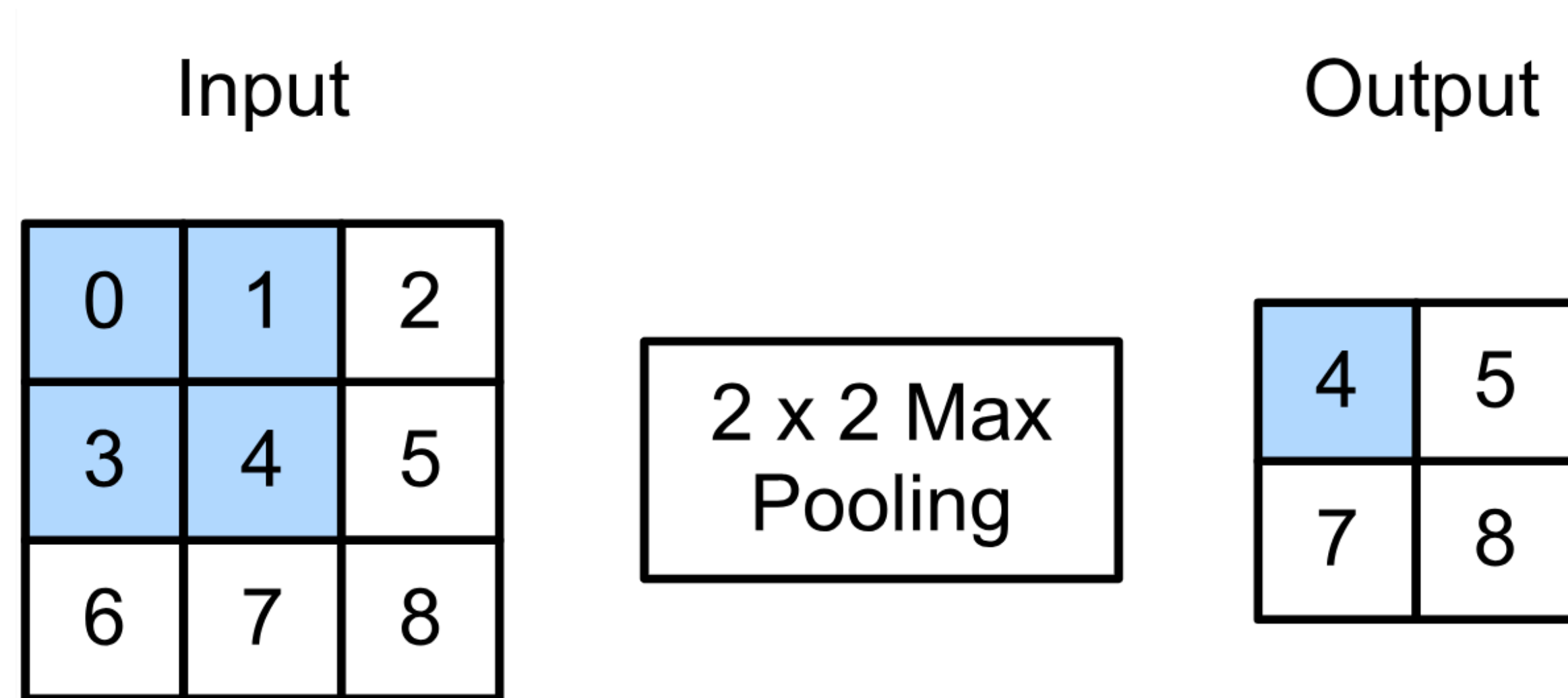
- $5 \times 5 \times 16$

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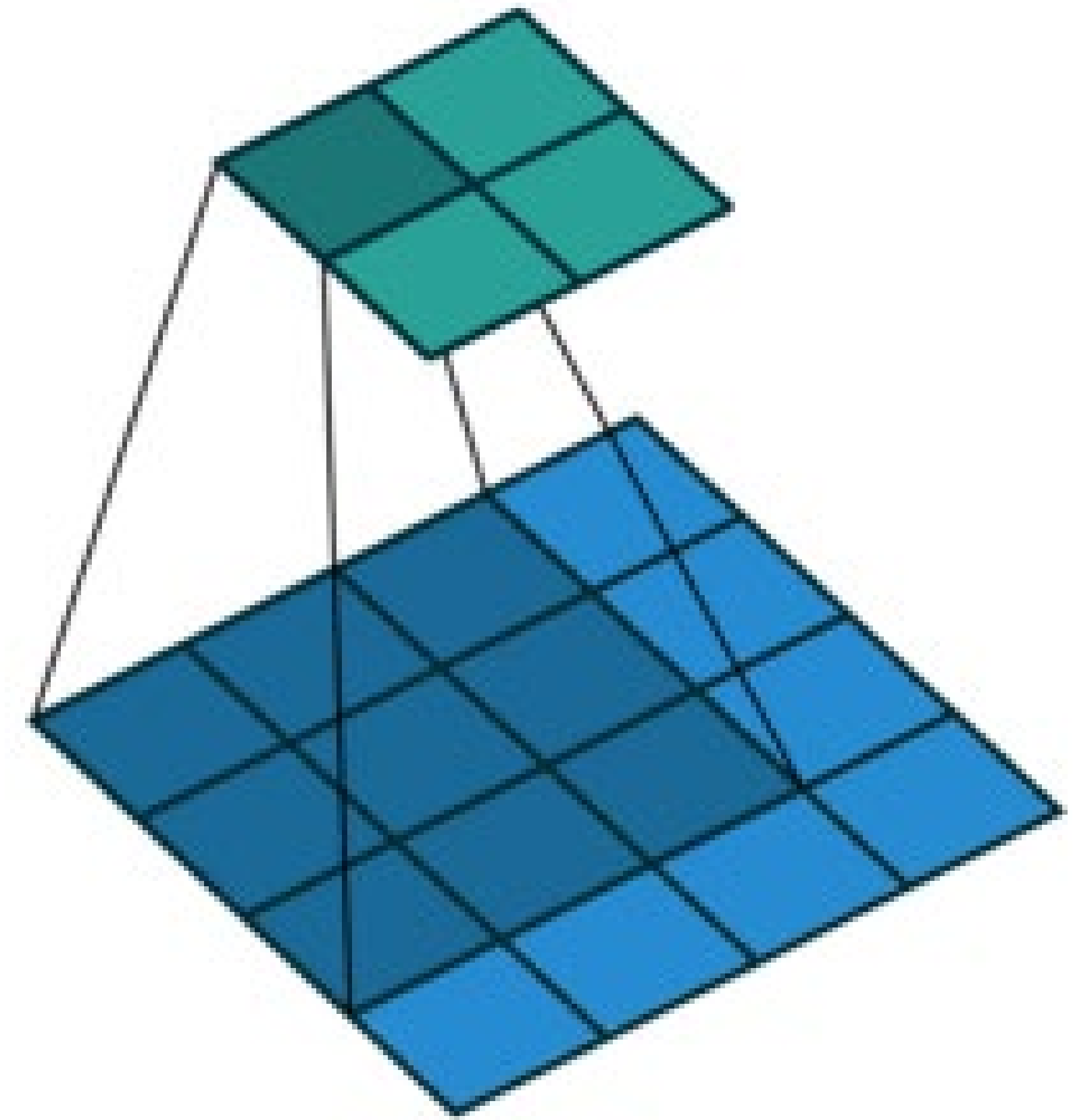
Pooling Layer

2-D Max Pooling

- Returns the maximal value in the sliding window



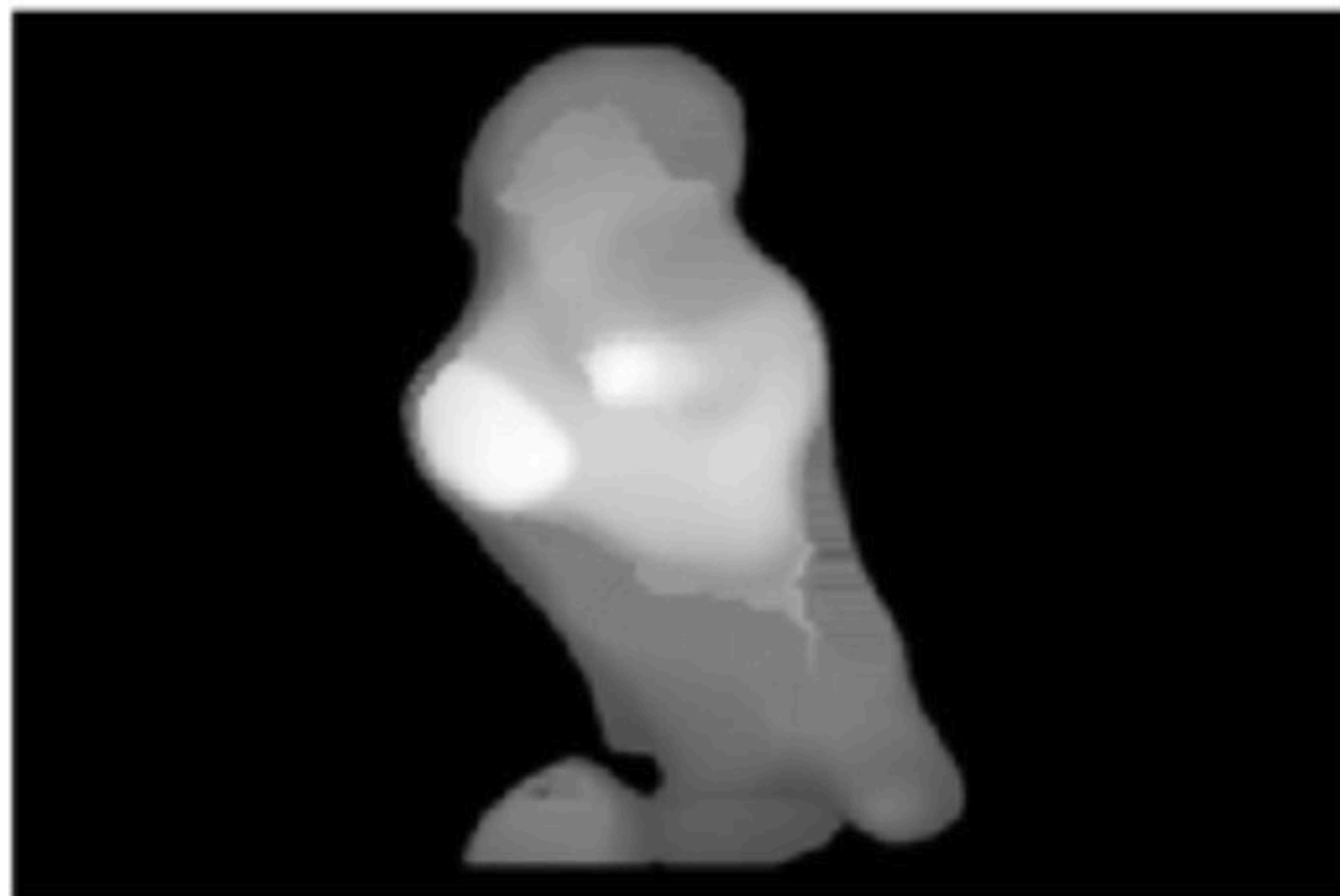
$$\max(0, 1, 3, 4) = 4$$



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

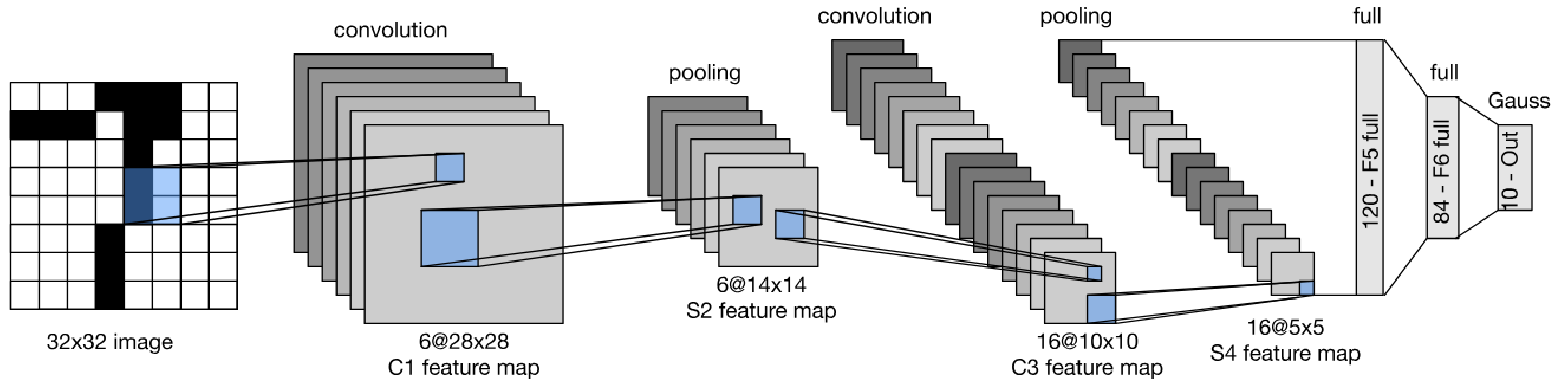
Max pooling



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.

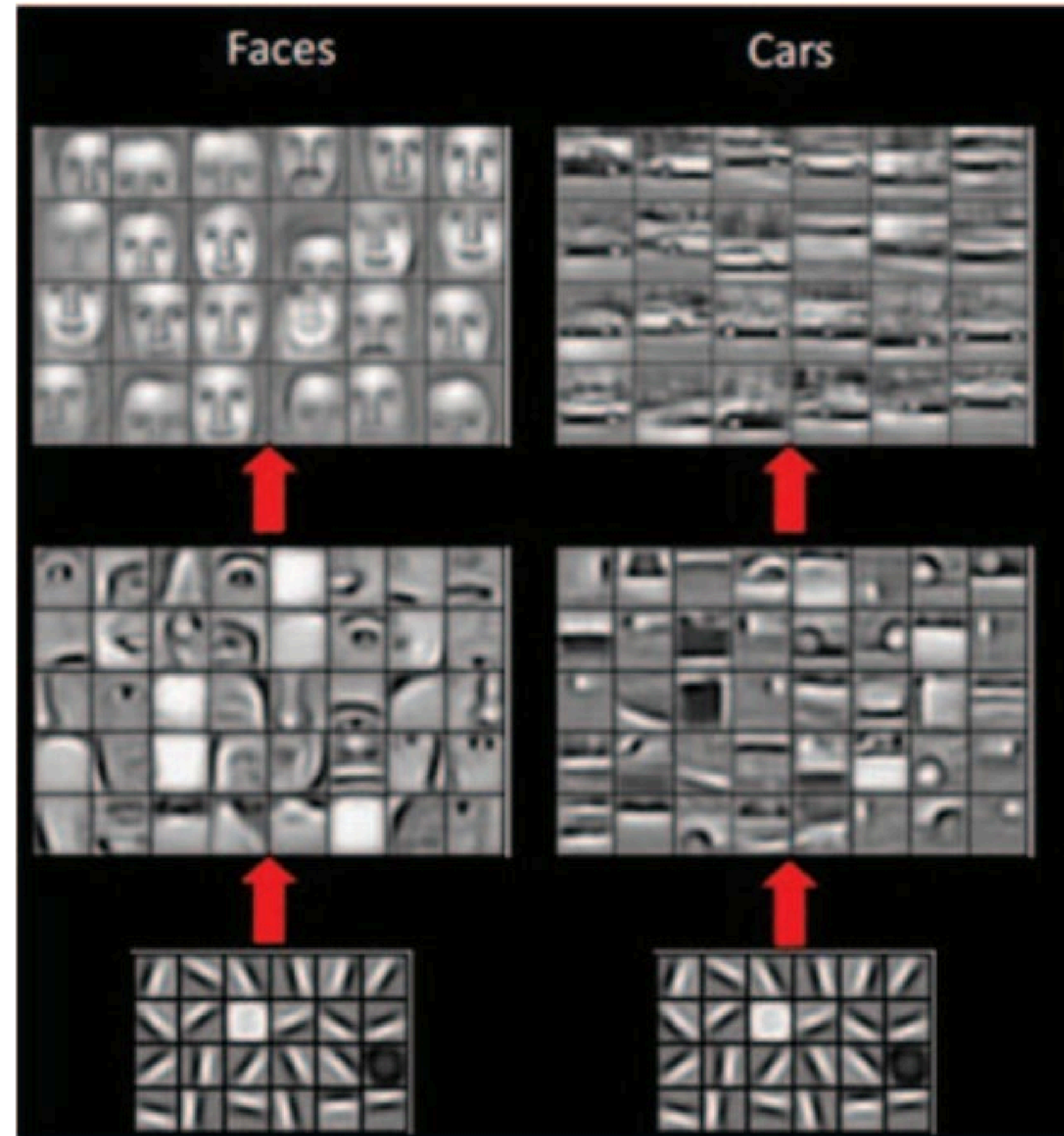
- Example: Dogs have longer snouts.
- How do you determine what is a long snout?

Feature Learning

Later layers recognize complete objects

Middle layers recognize parts of objects

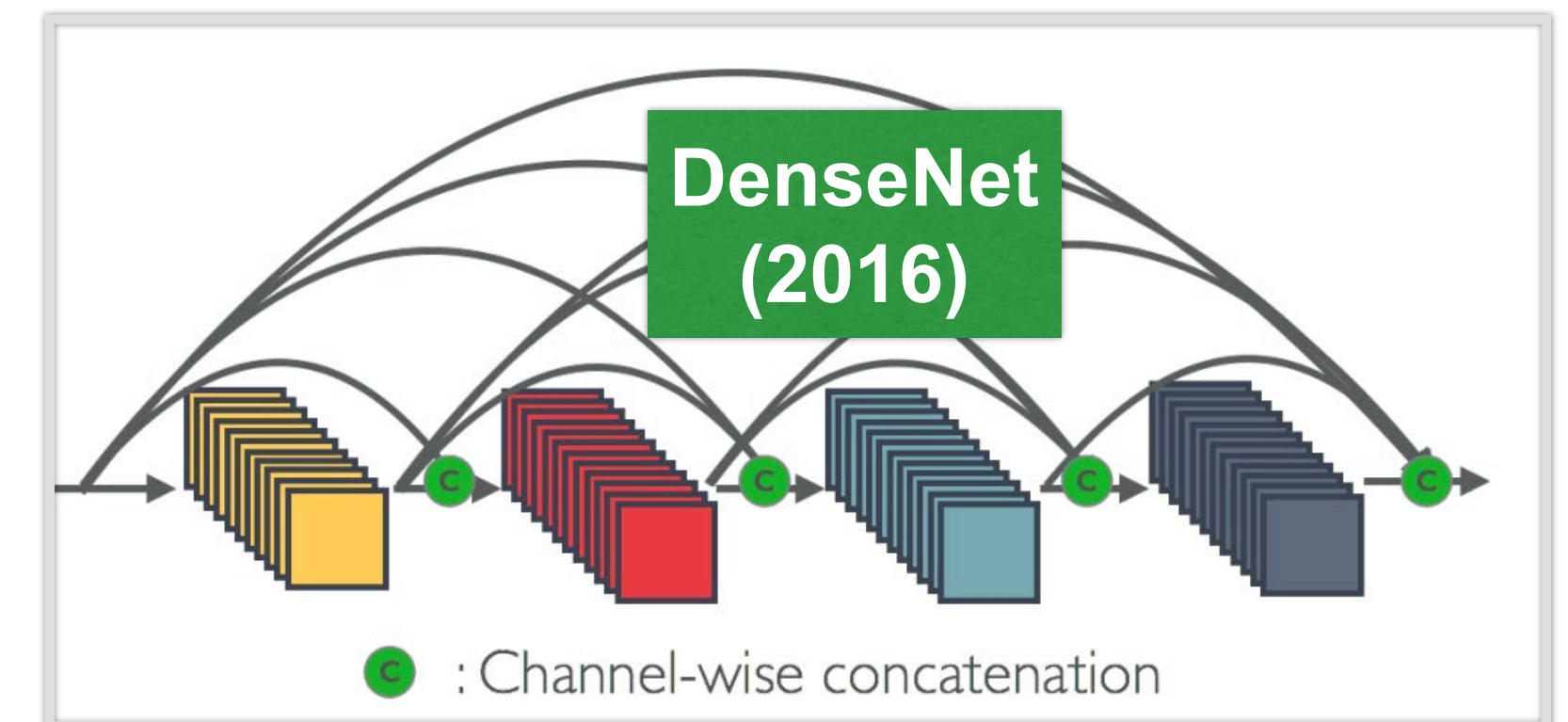
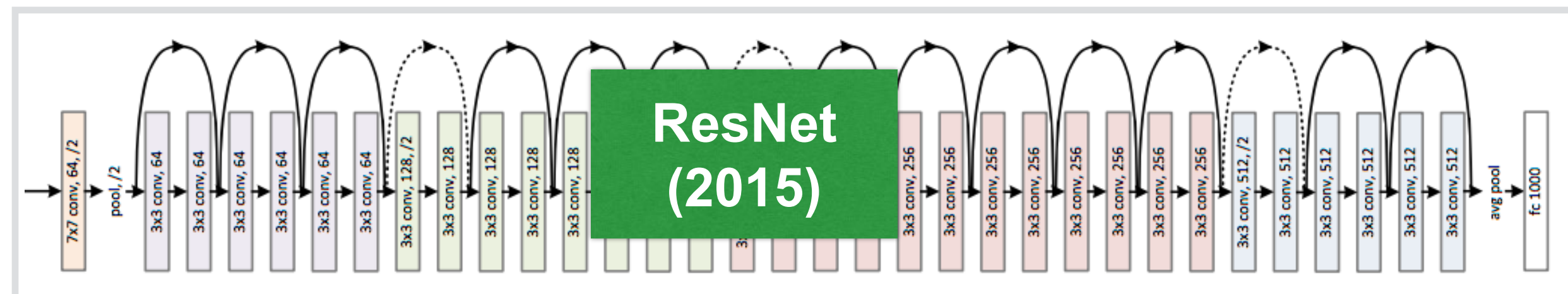
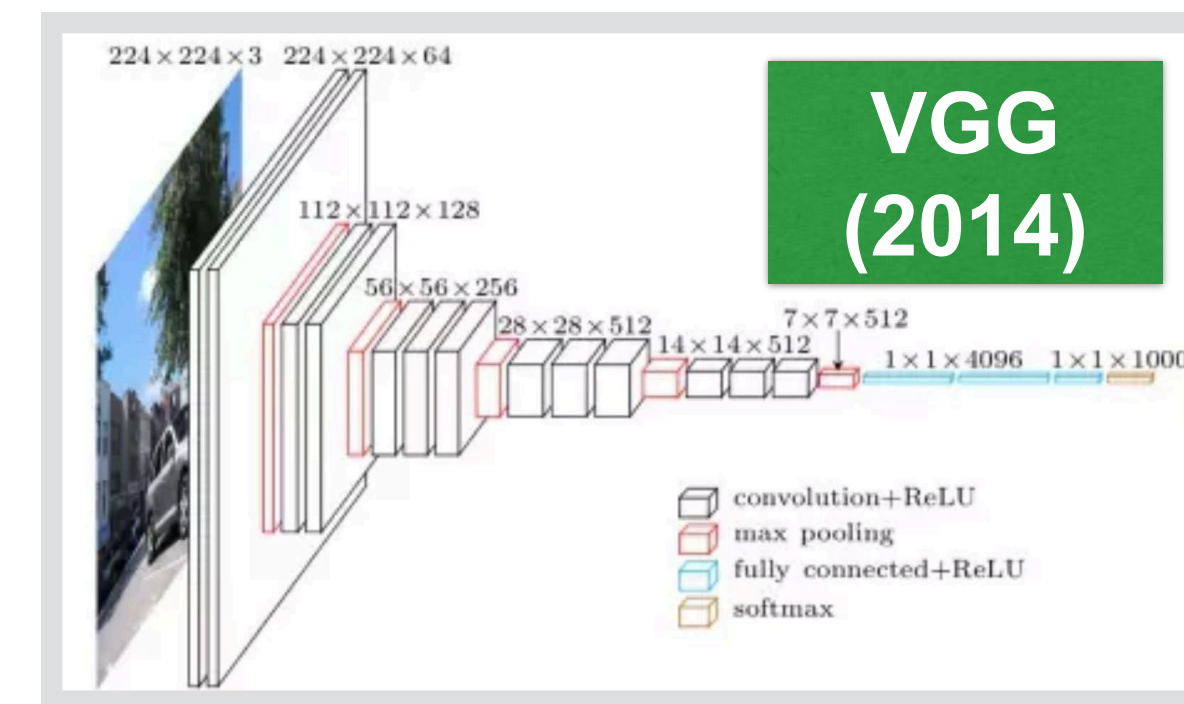
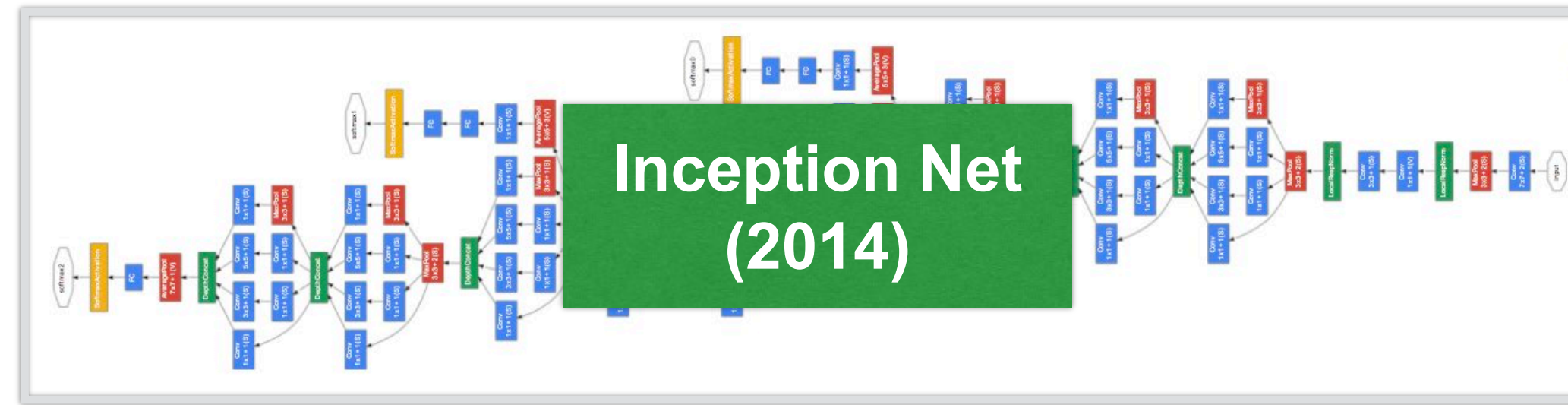
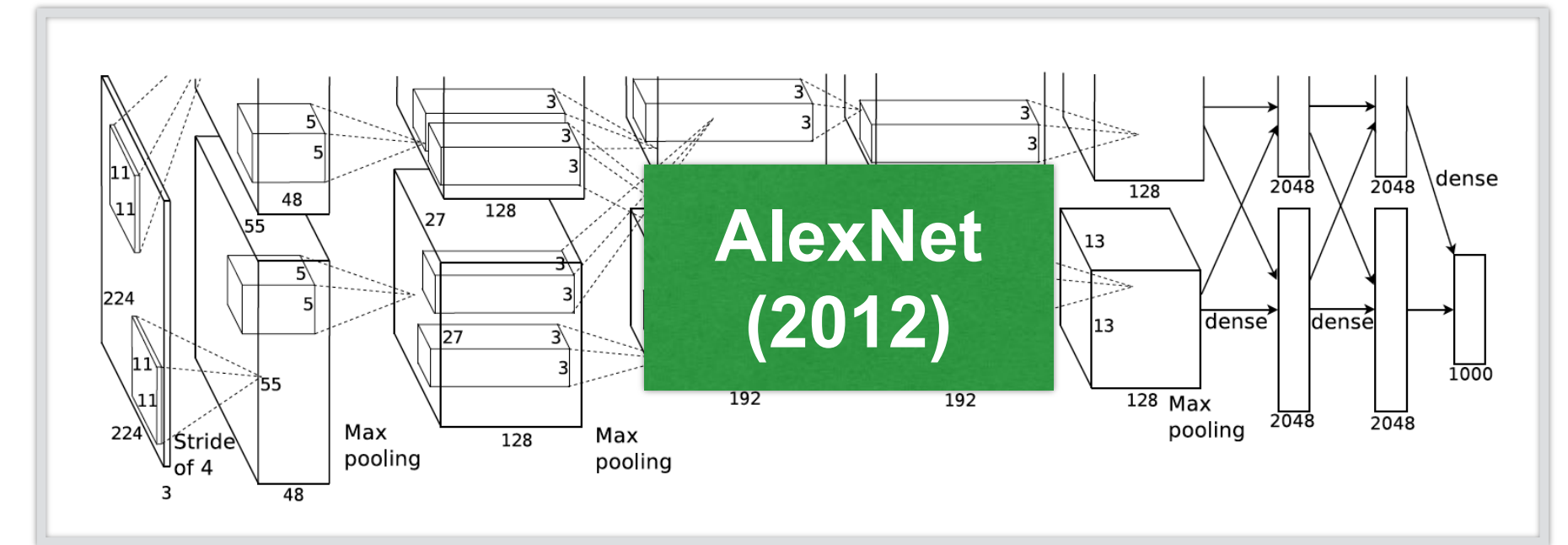
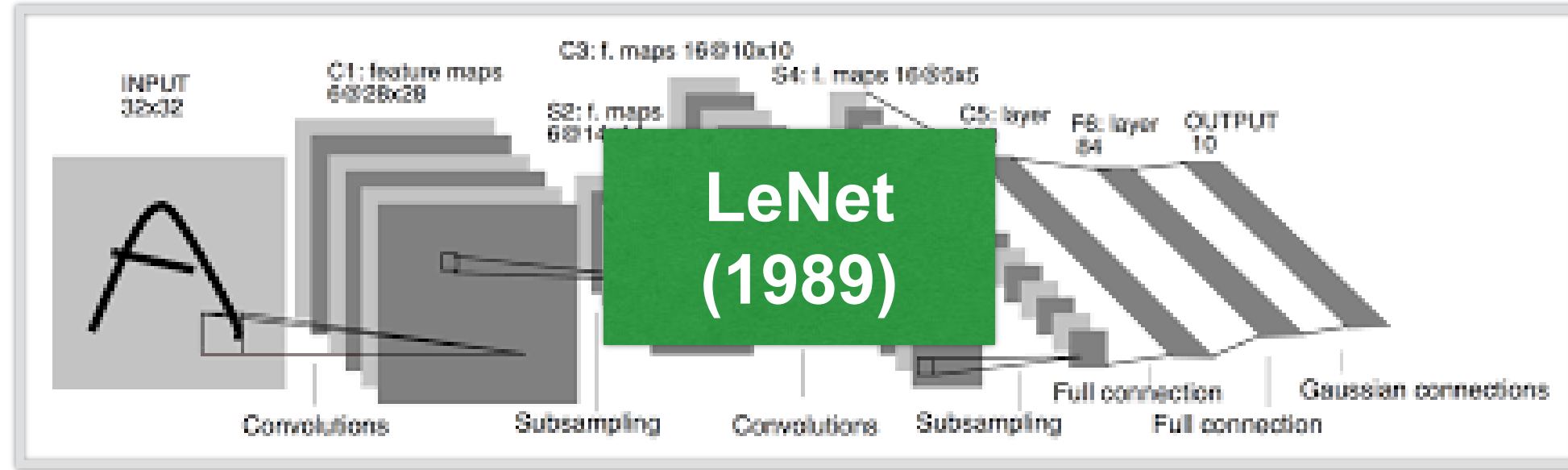
Early layers recognize simple patterns



Convolutional Neural Networks

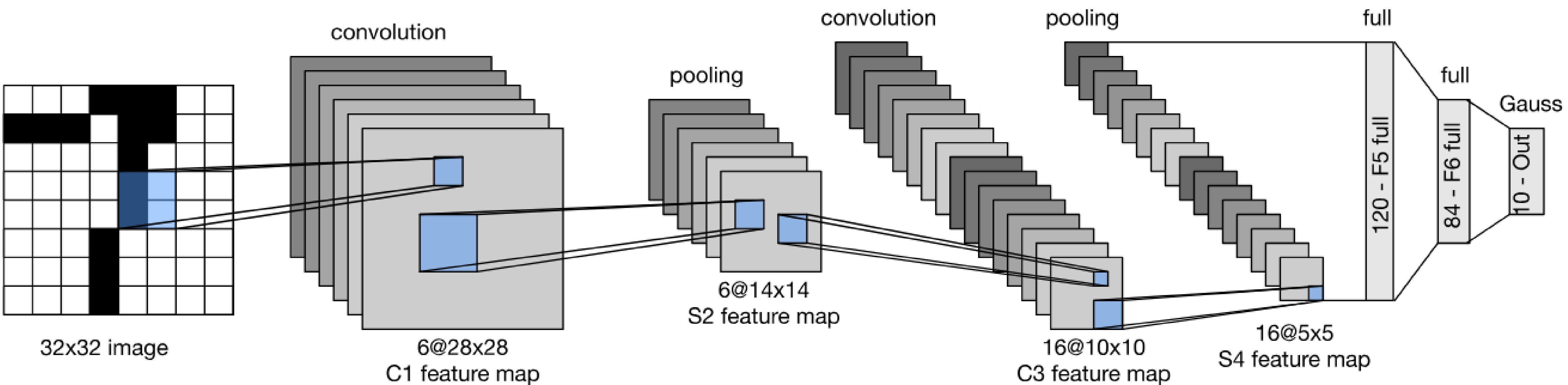
Examples

Evolution of neural net architectures

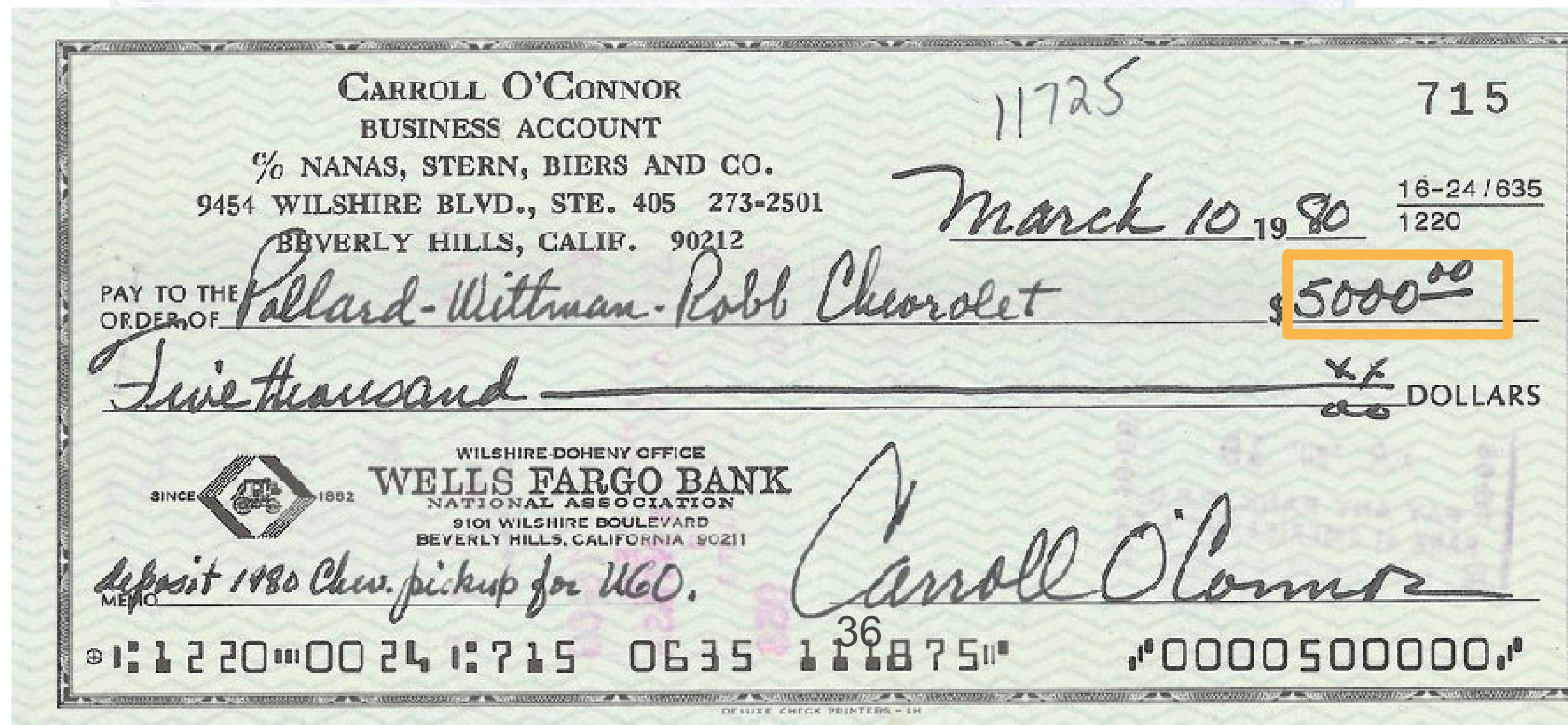
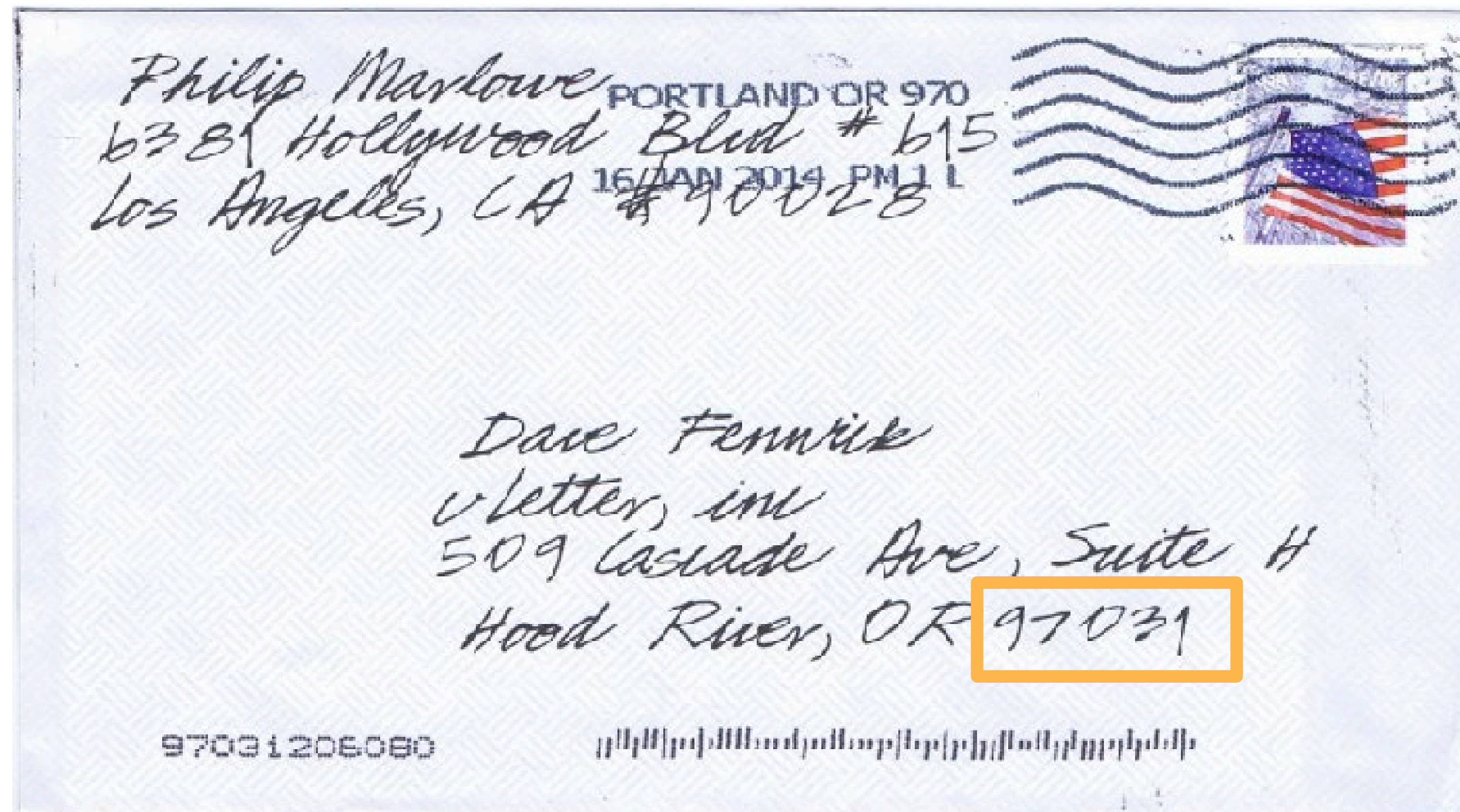


LeNet Architecture

(first convolutional neural net; 1989)

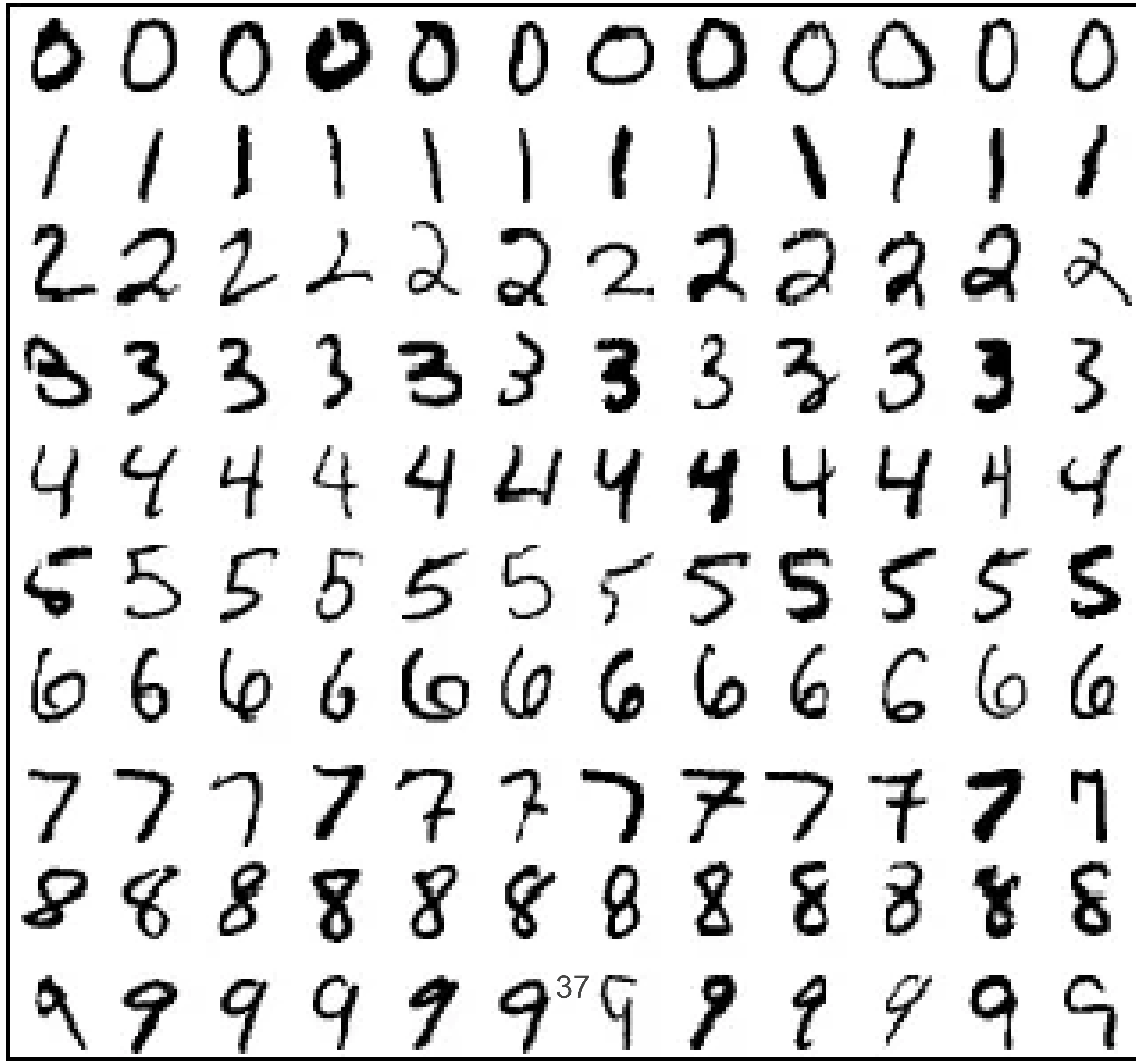


Handwritten Digit Recognition



MNIST

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





AT&T *LeNet 5* RESEARCH

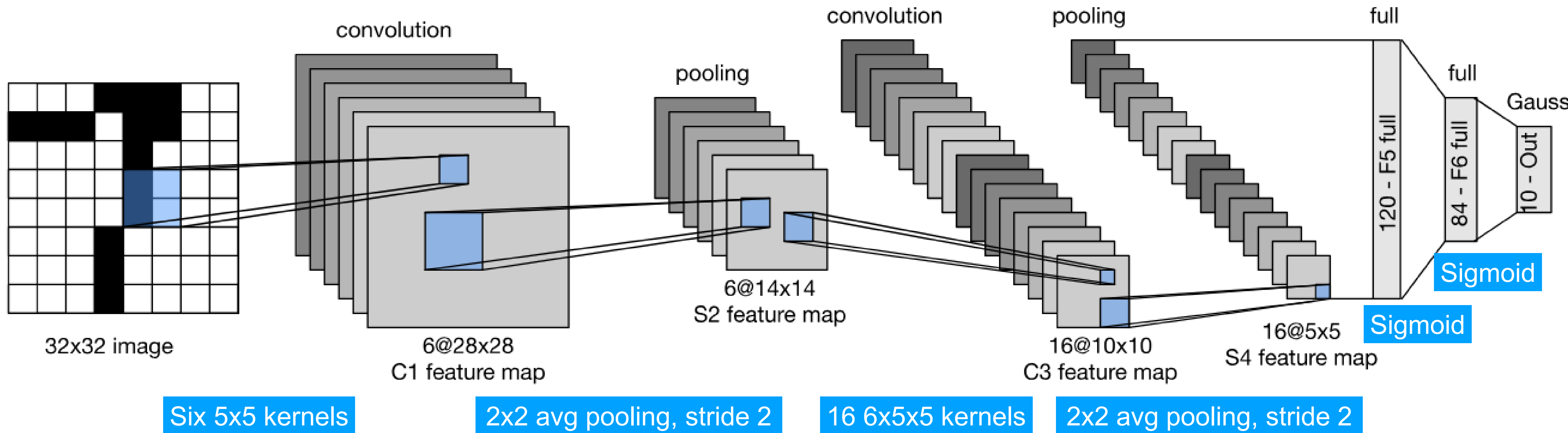
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Y. LeCun, L. Bottou, Y. Bengio, P. Haffner, 1998
Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition

LeNet Architecture



LeNet in Pytorch

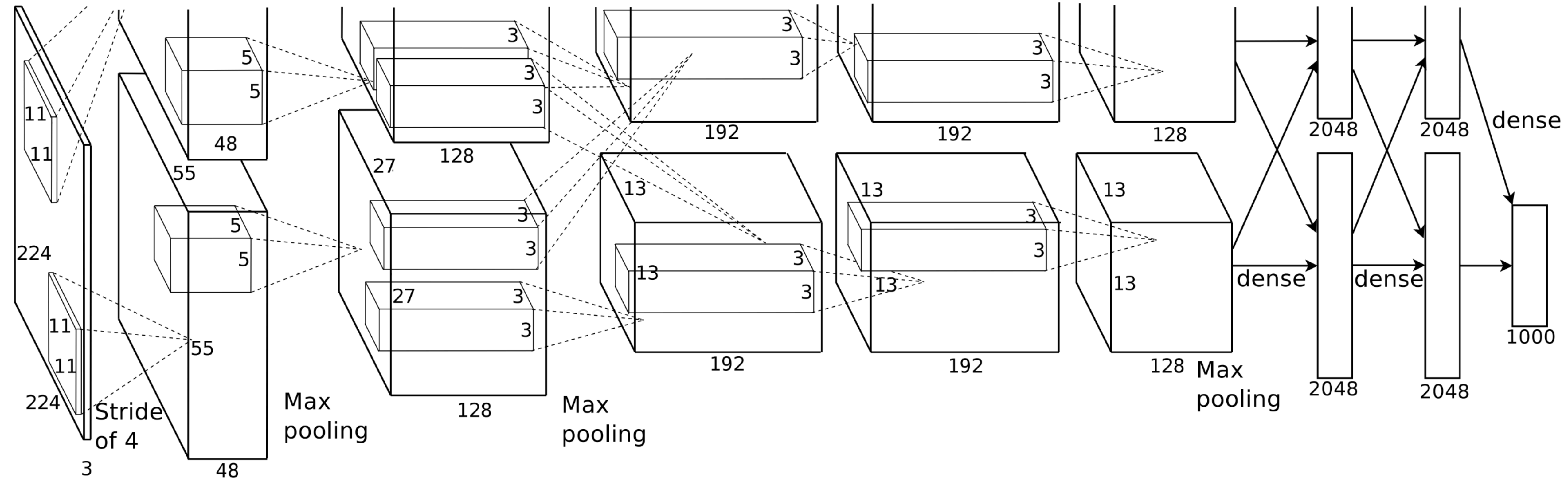
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def __init__(self):
    super(LeNet5, self).__init__()
    # Convolution (In LeNet-5, 32x32 images are given as input. Hence padding of 2 is done below)
    self.conv1 = torch.nn.Conv2d(in_channels=1, out_channels=6, kernel_size=5, stride=1, padding=2, 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)
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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
    x = torch.nn.functional.relu(self.fc2(x))
    # FC-3
    x = self.fc3(x)

    return x
```

LeNet in Pytorch

AlexNet

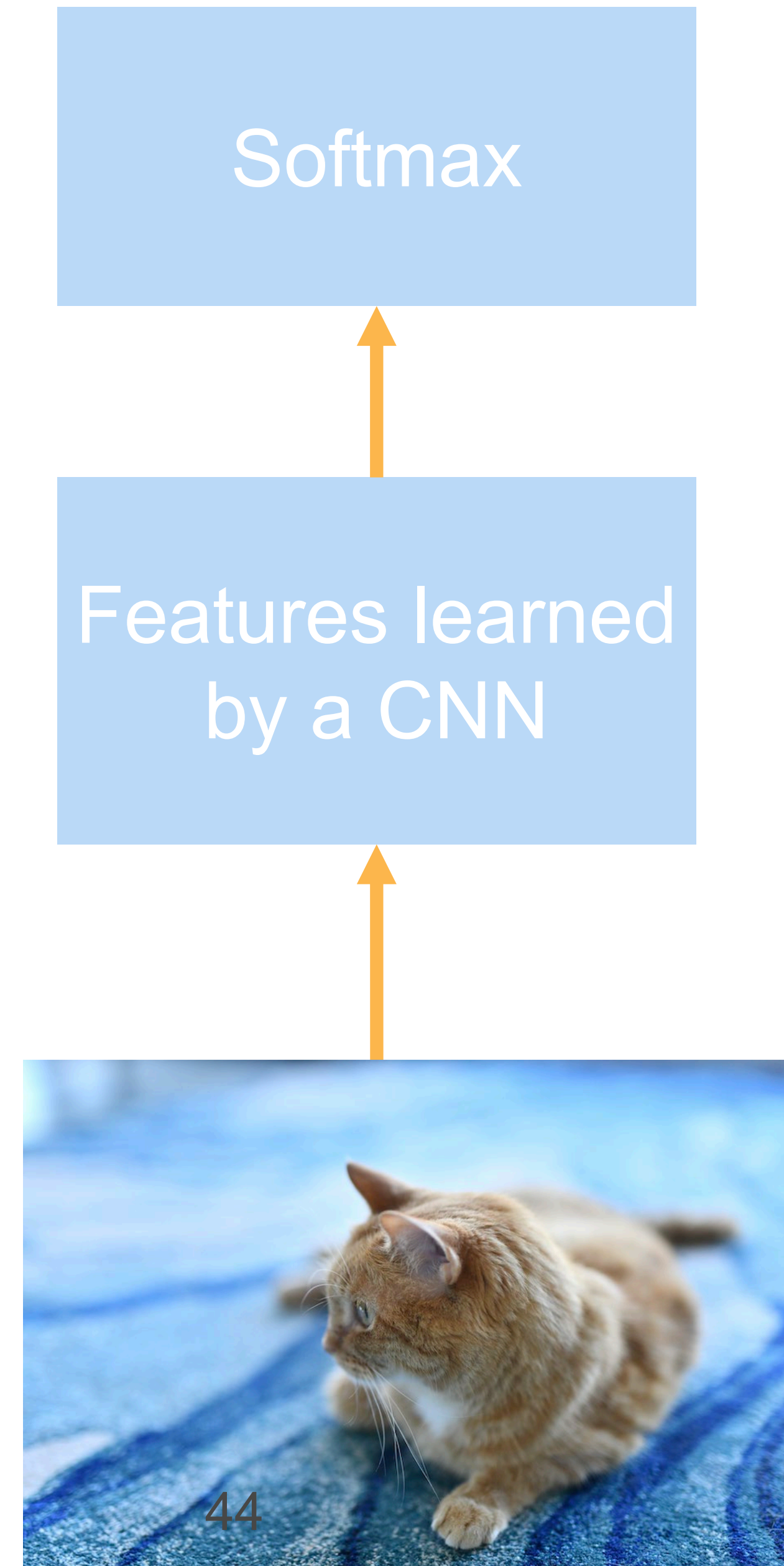


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AlexNet

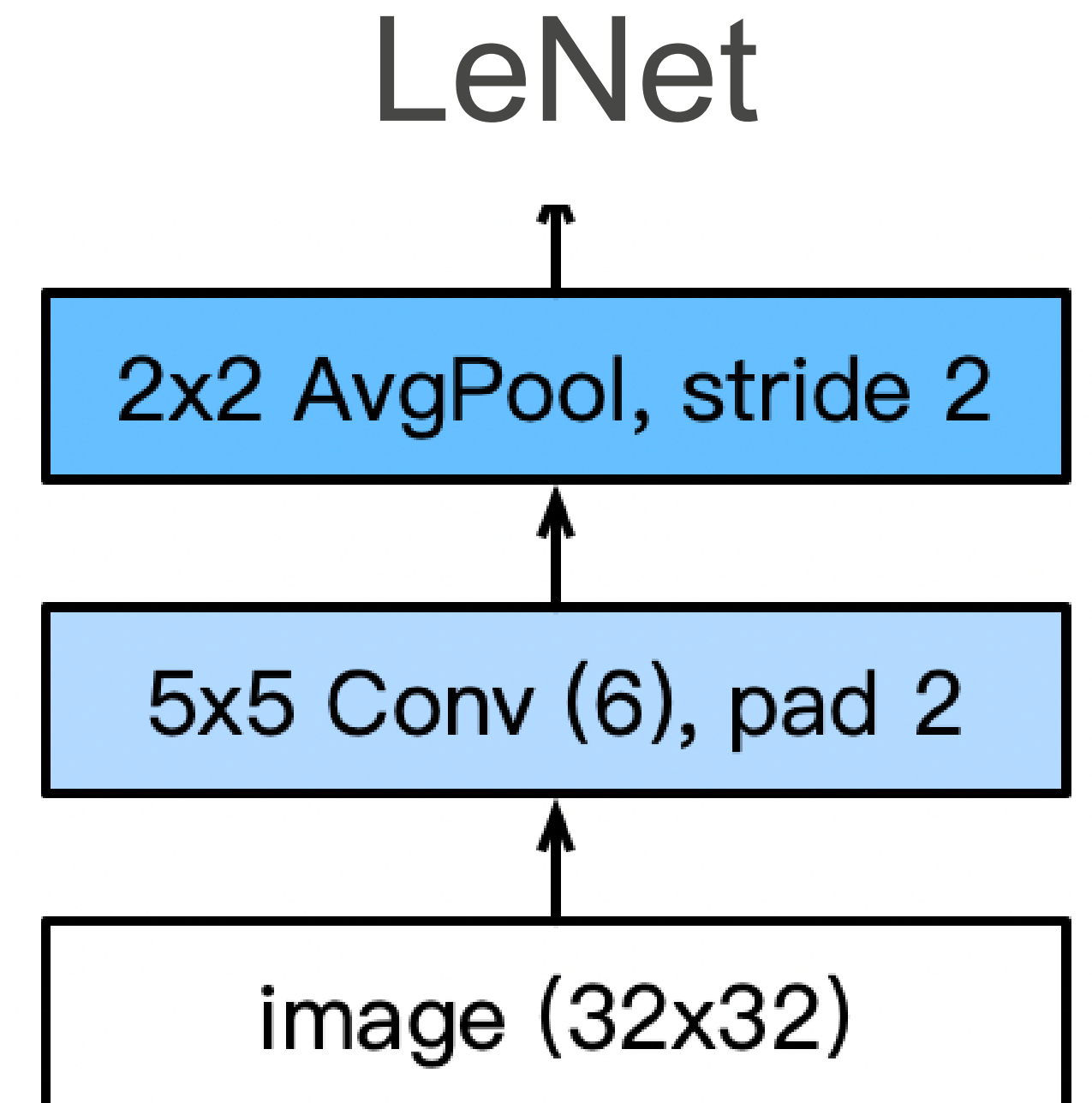
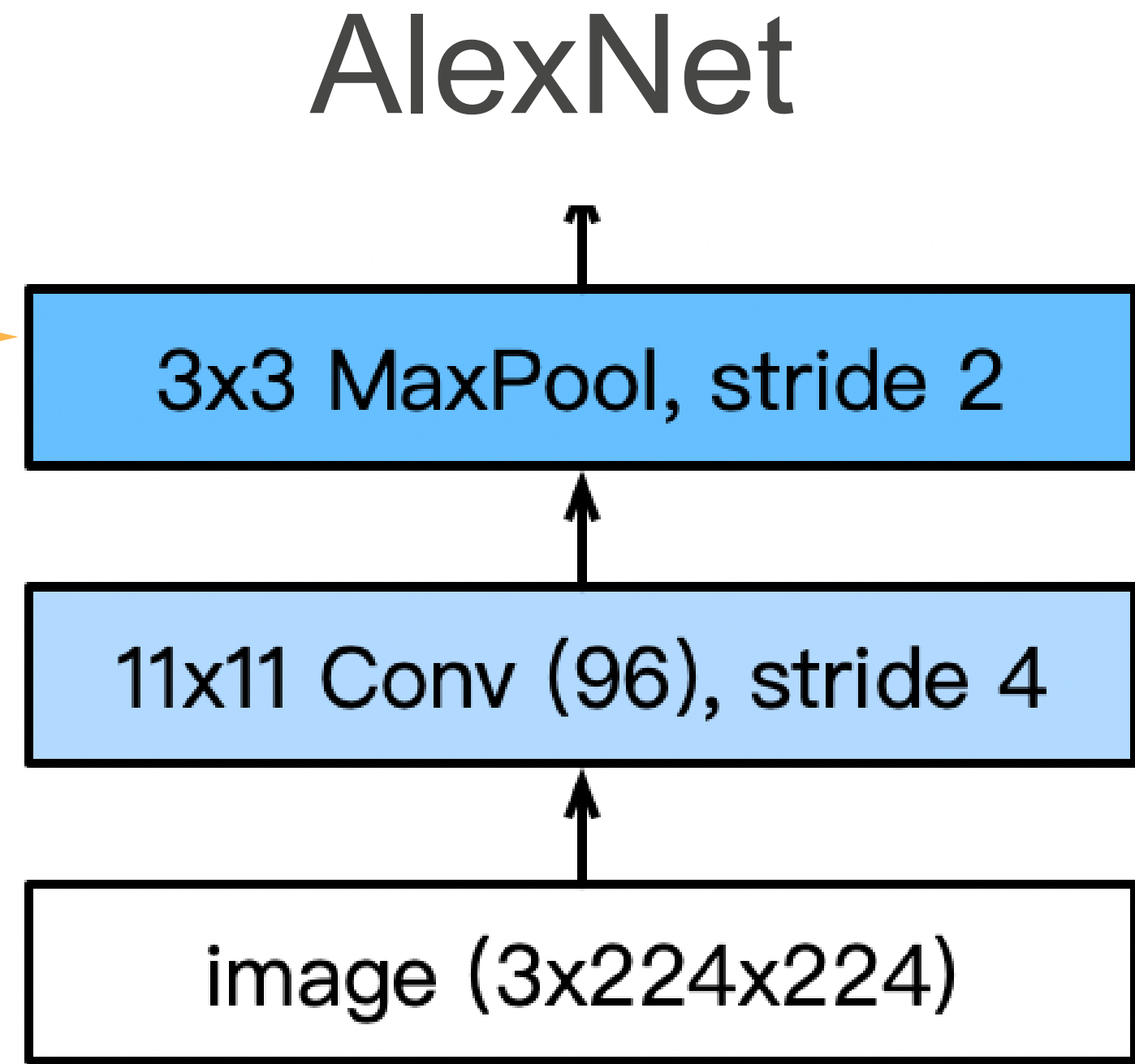
- AlexNet won ImageNet competition in 2012
- Deeper and bigger LeNet
- Paradigm shift for computer vision



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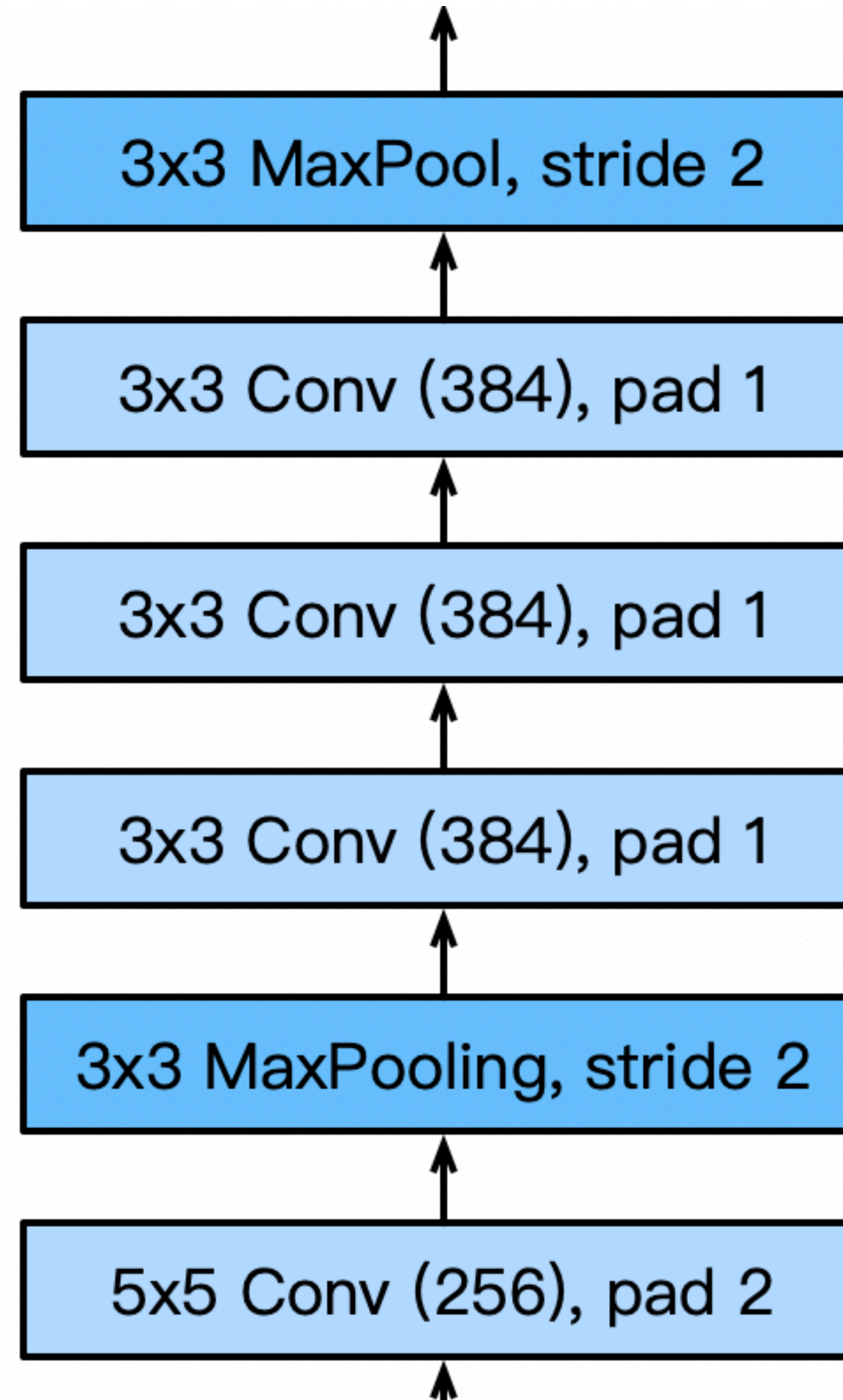
Larger pool size

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



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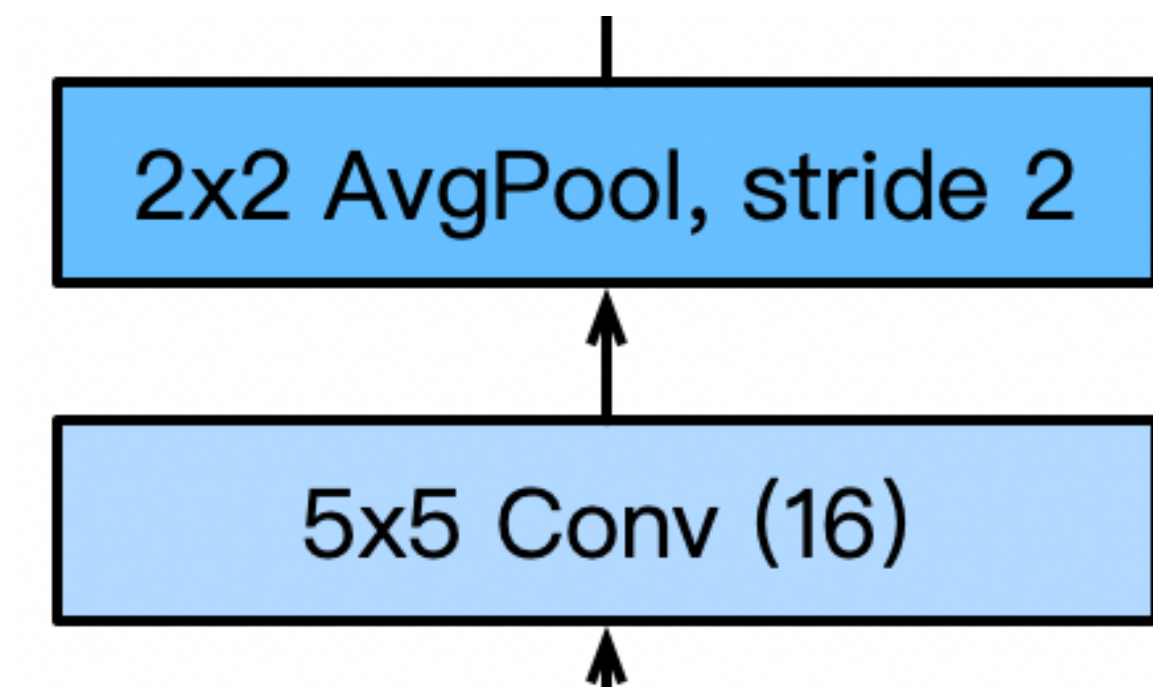
AlexNet



3 additional convolutional layers

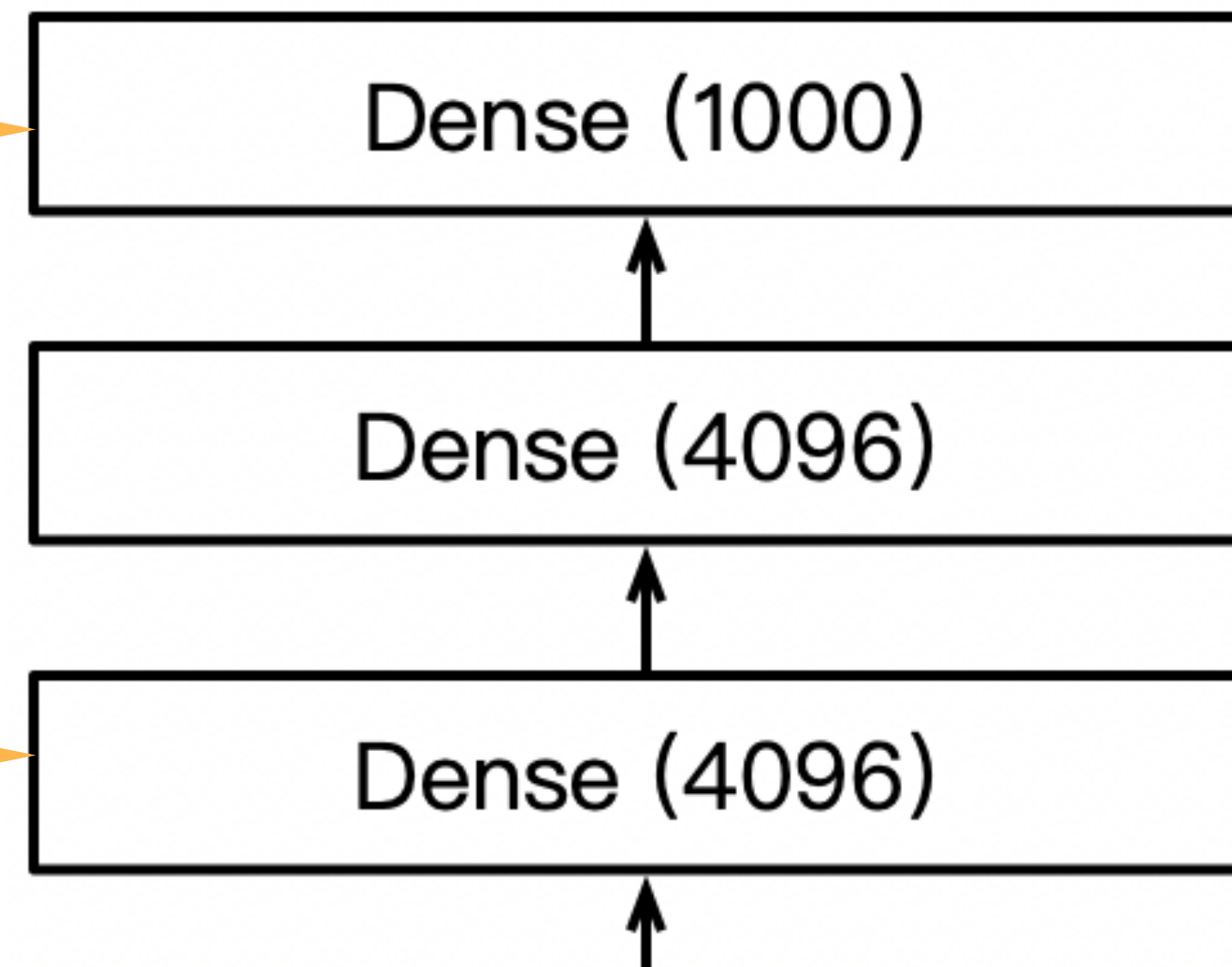
More output channels.

LeNet



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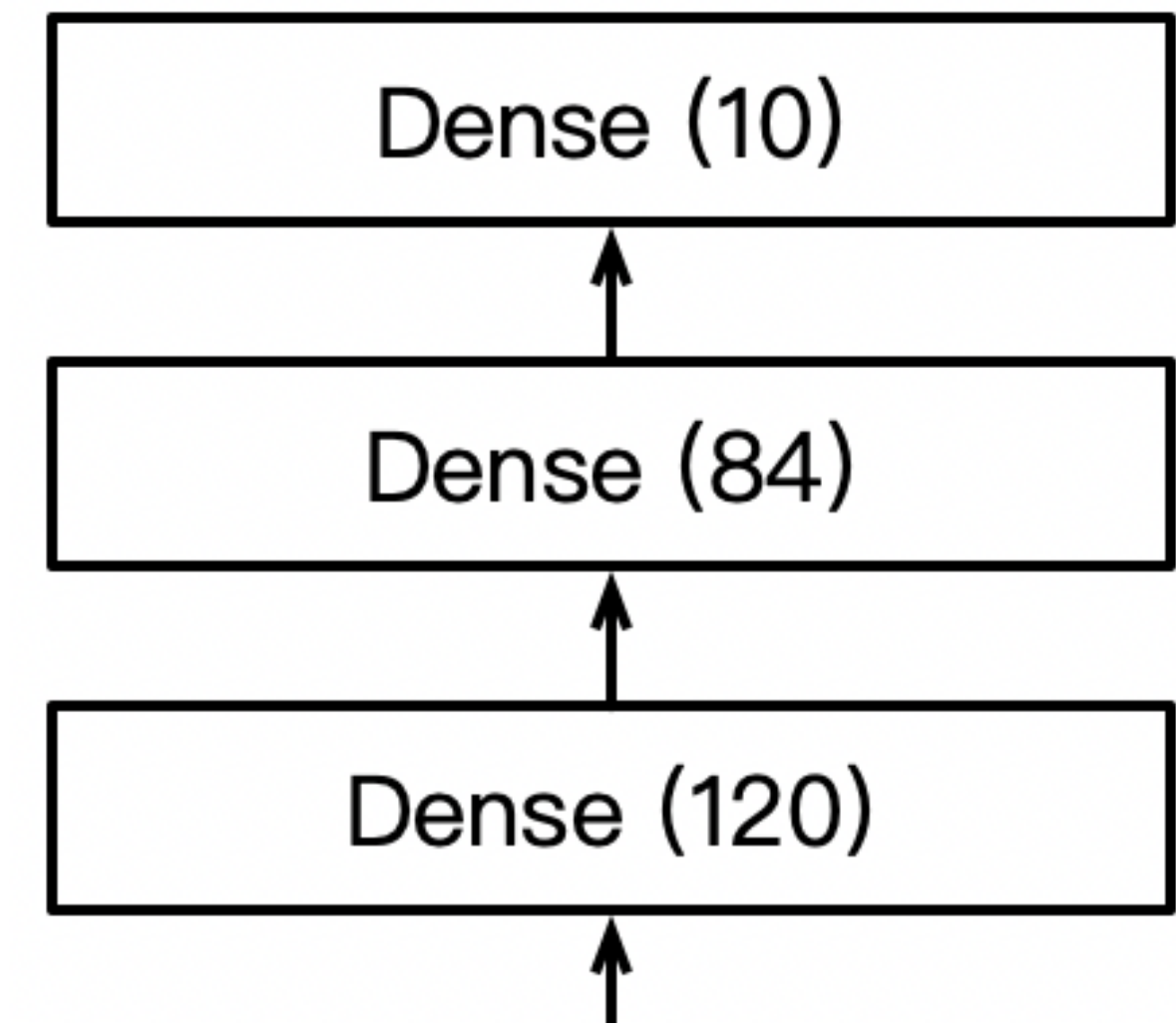
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1000 classes output

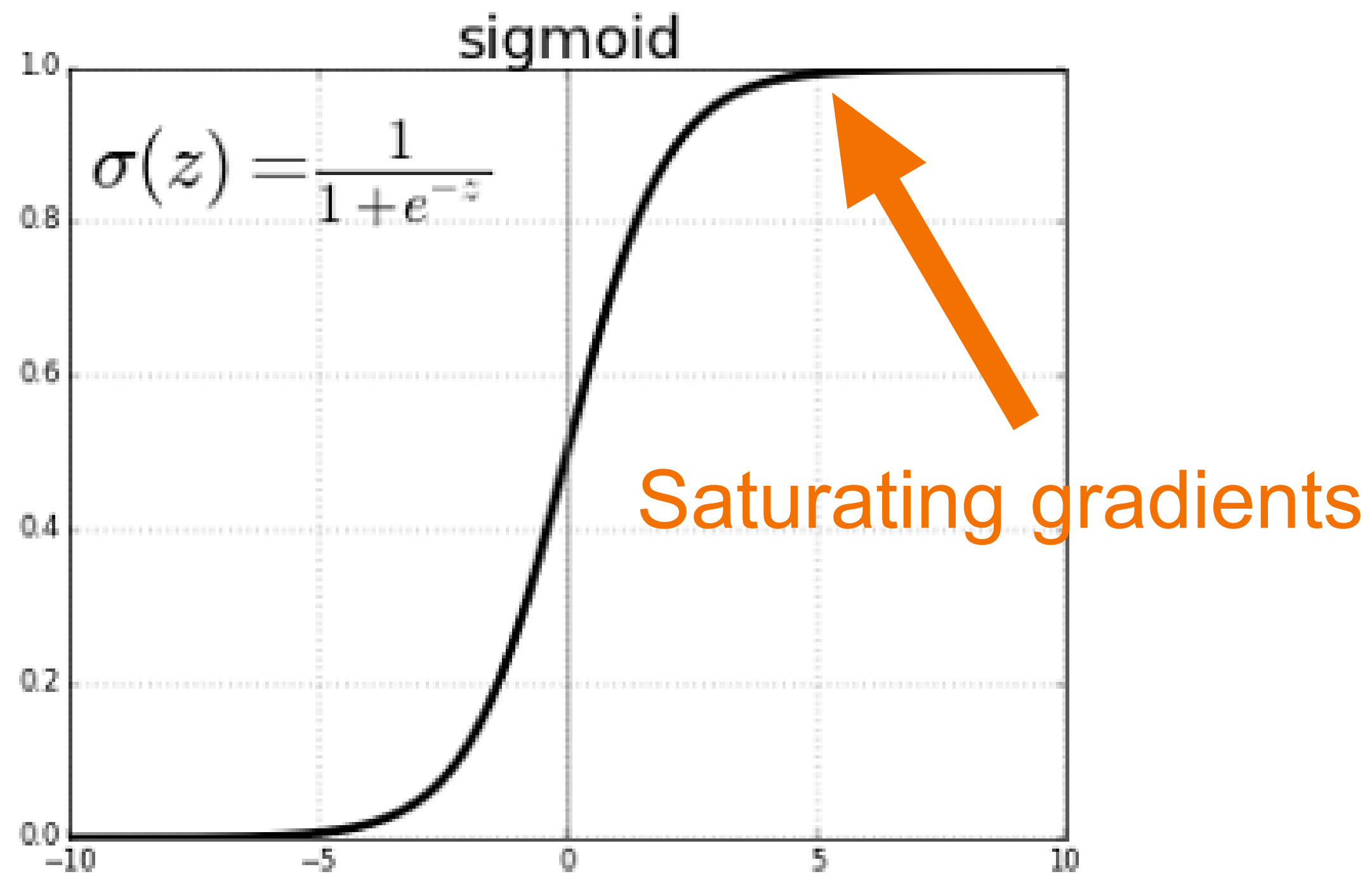
Increase hidden size from 120 to 4096

LeNet



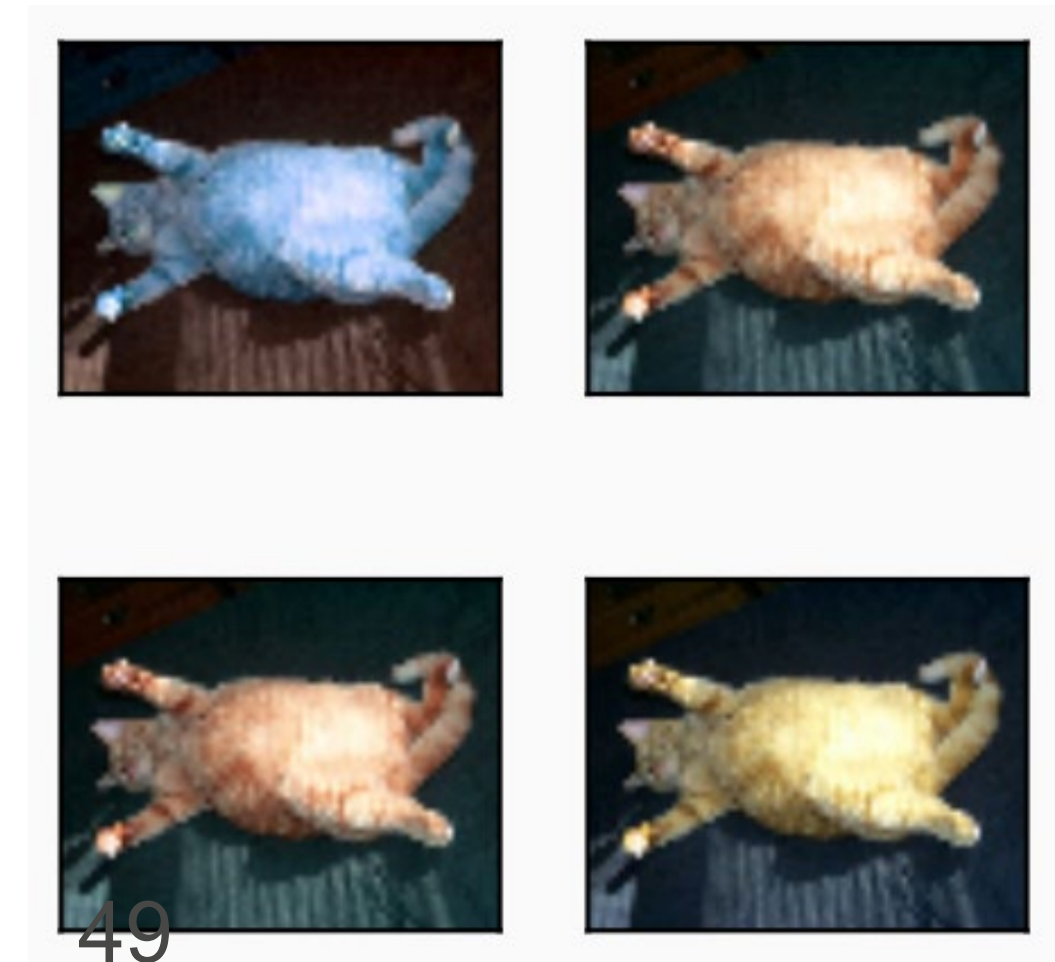
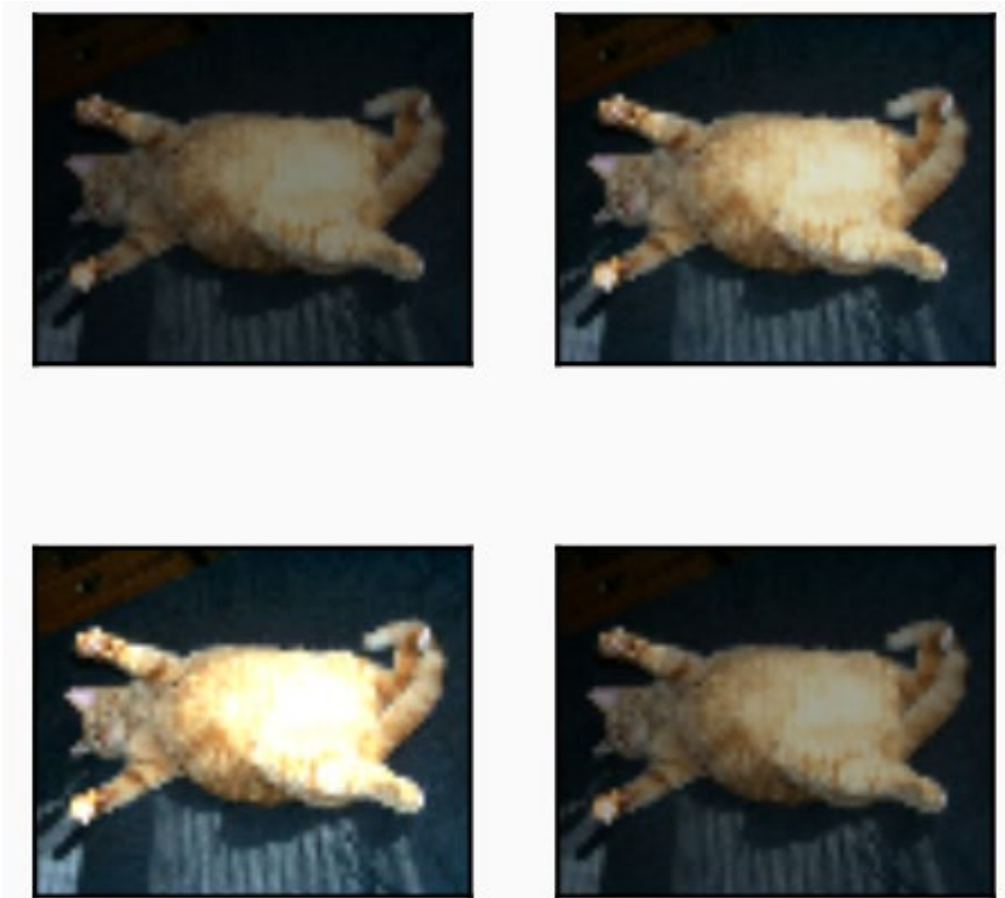
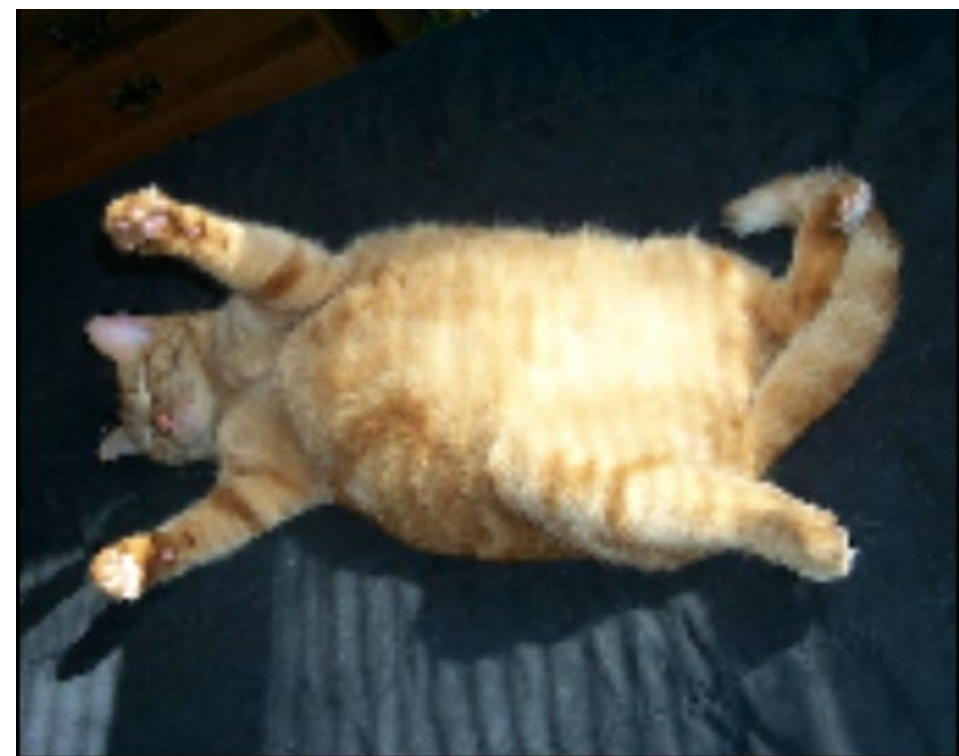
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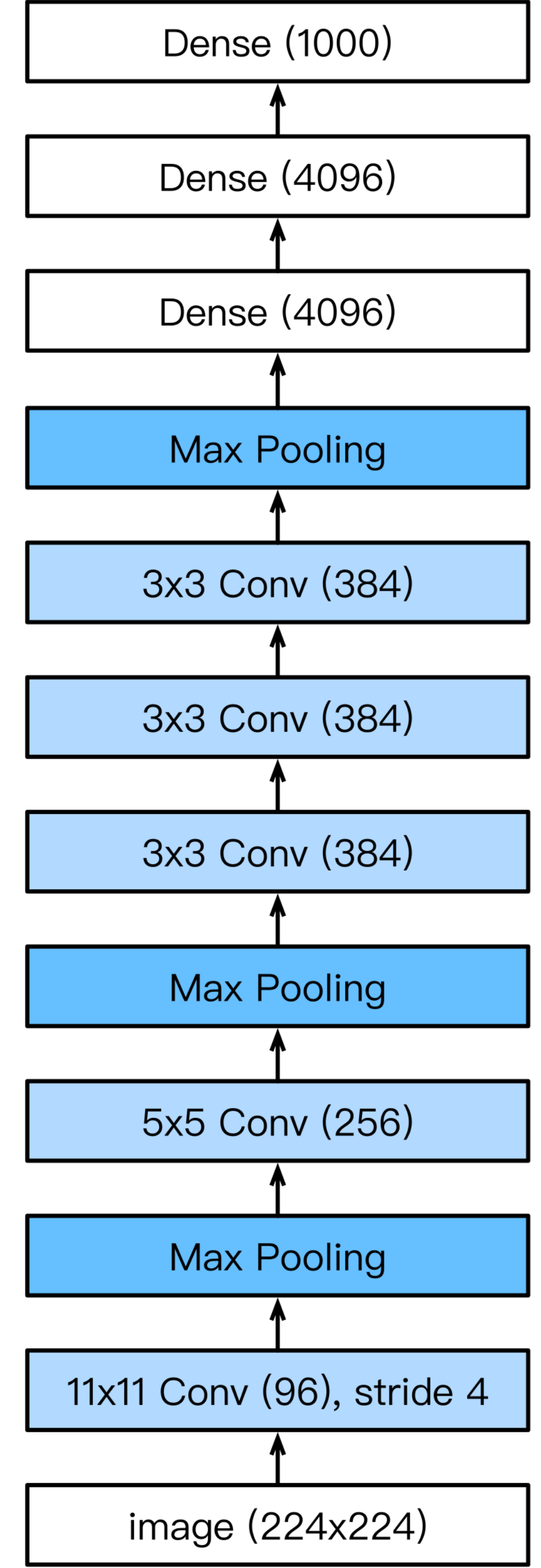
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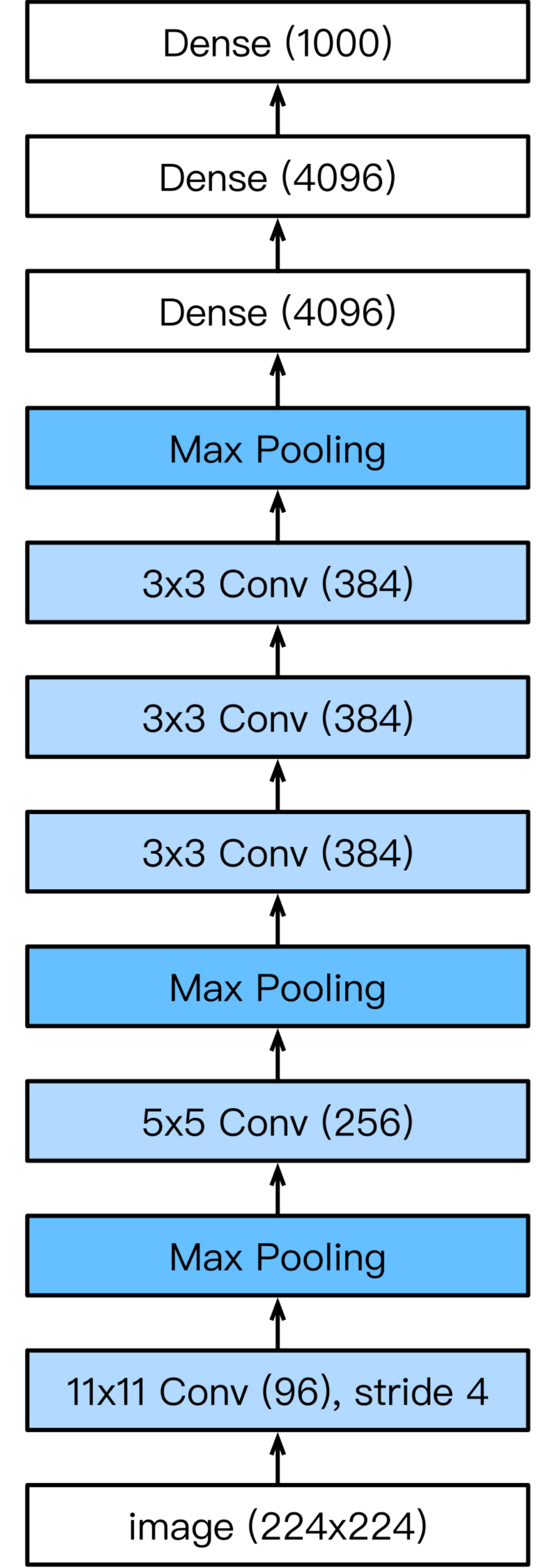
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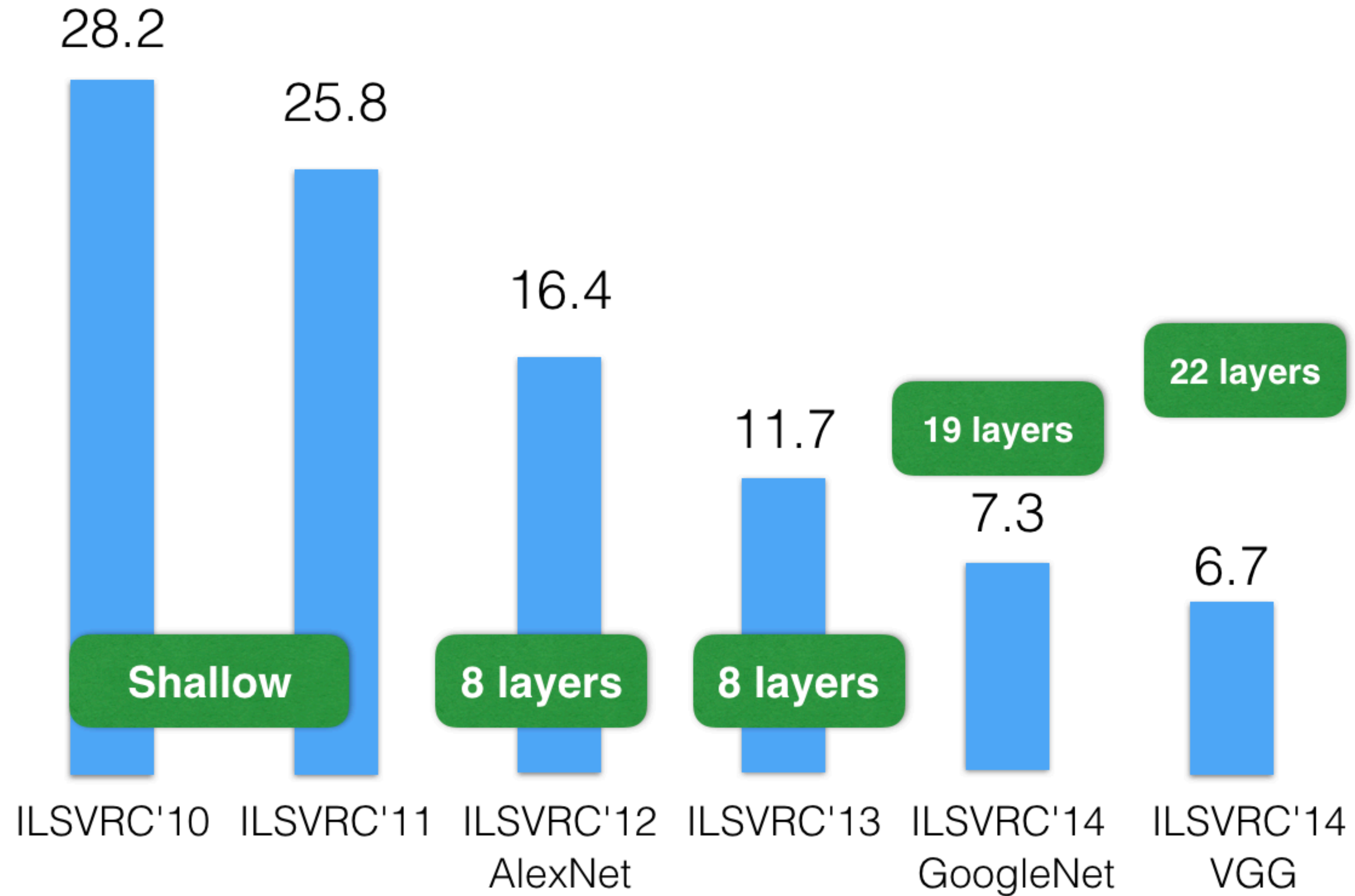


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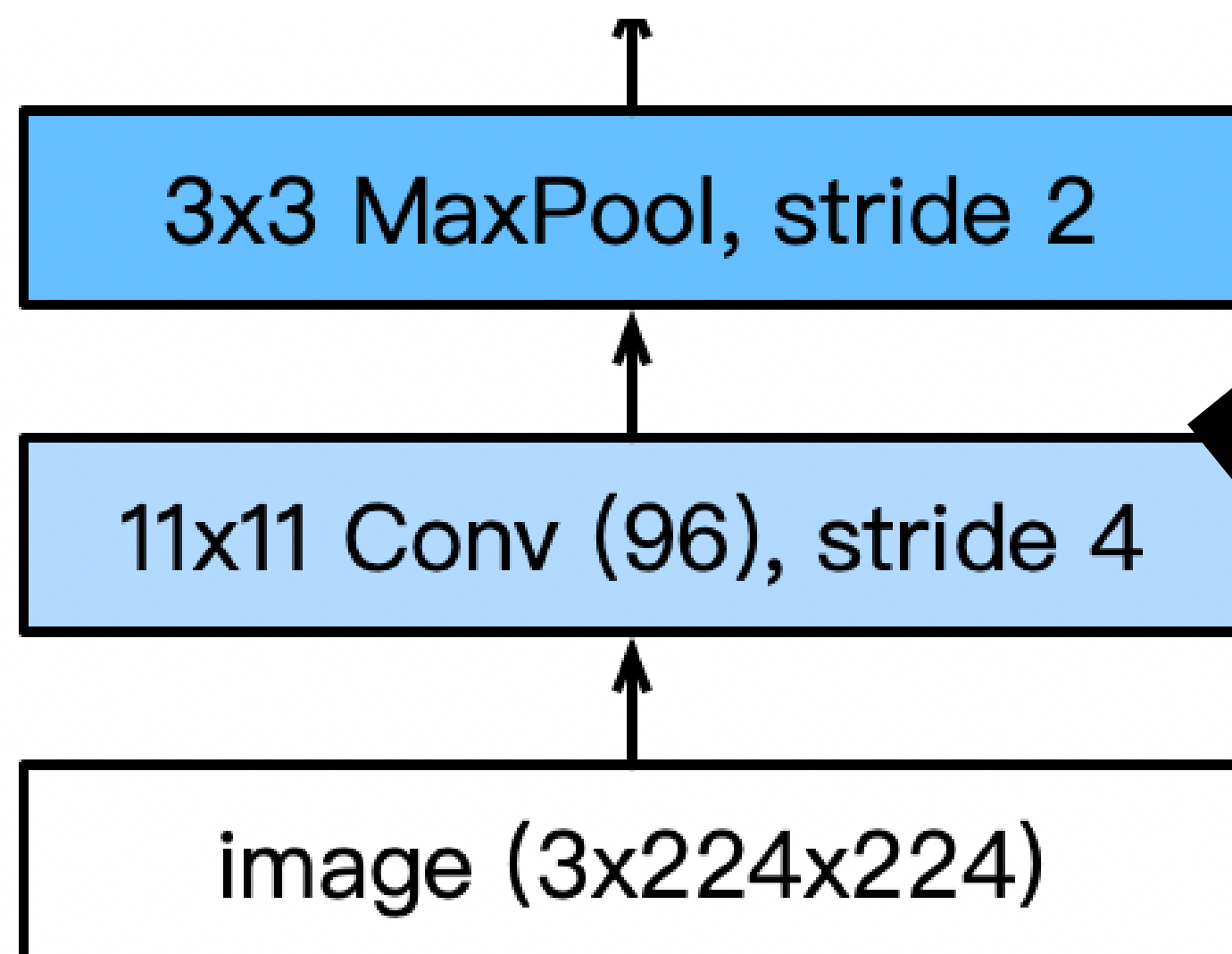
$$11 \times 11 \times 3 \times 96 = 35k$$



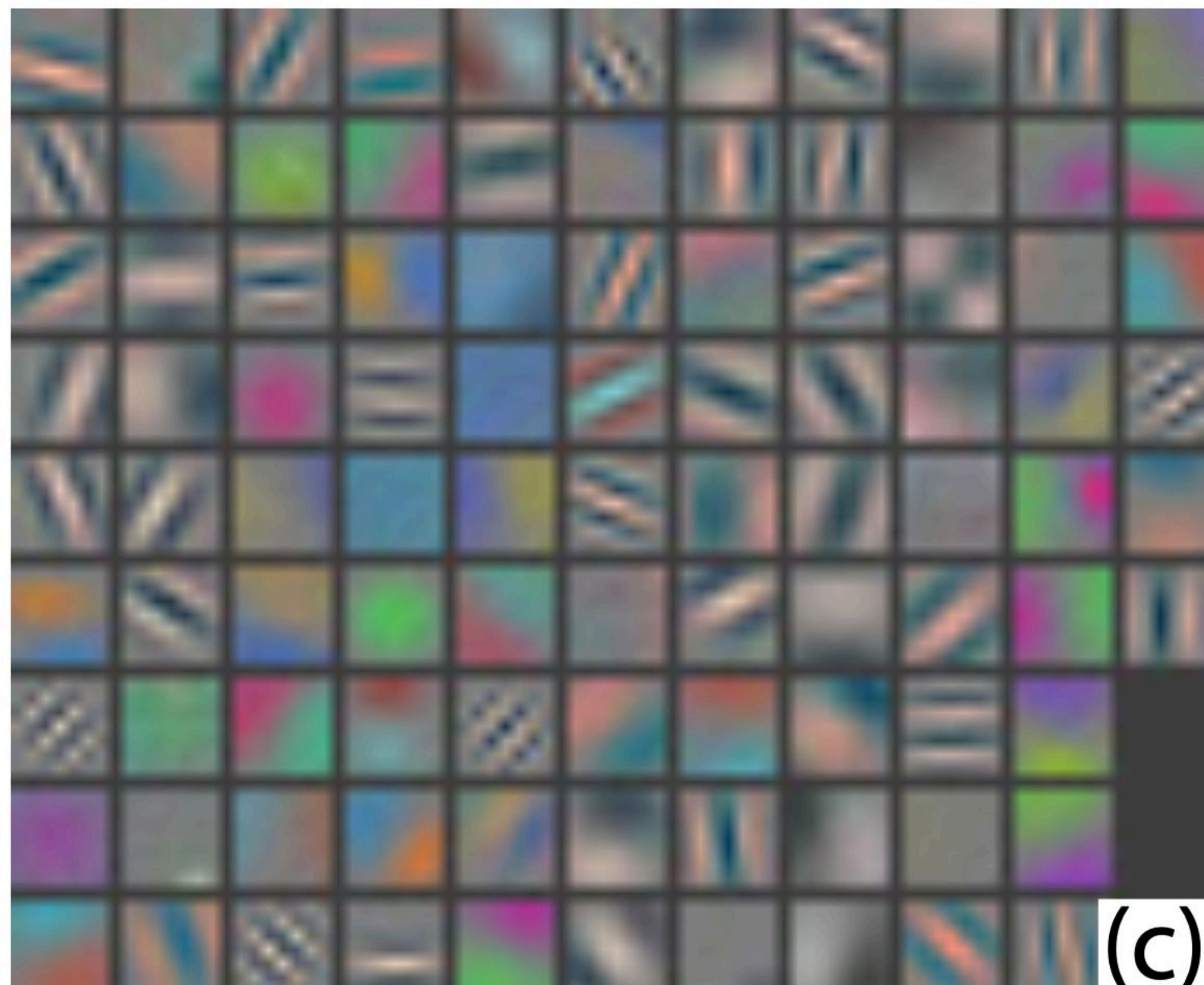


ImageNet Top-5 Classification Error (%)

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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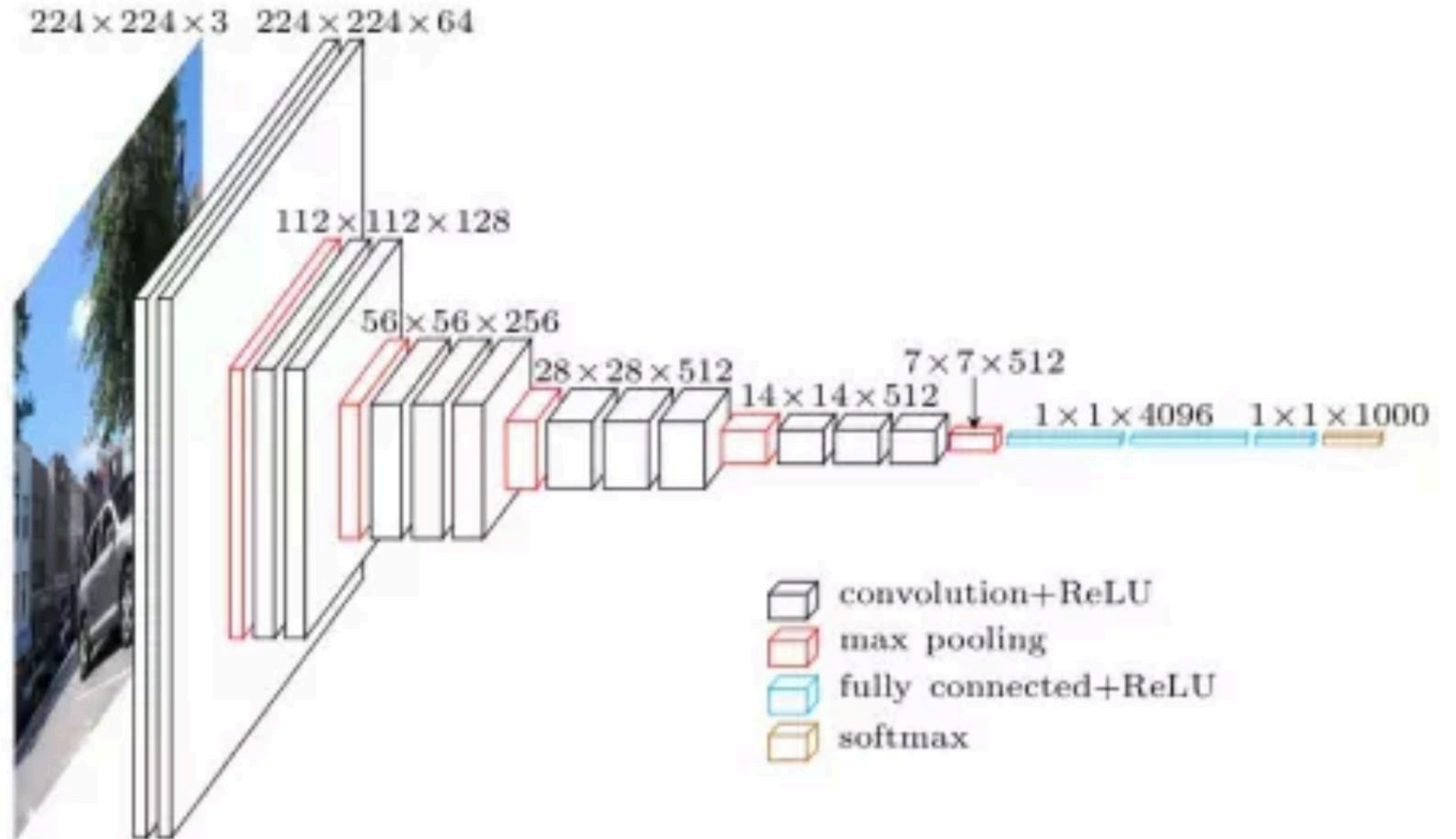
All options are true!

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

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