

Lecture 8: Visualizing and Understanding

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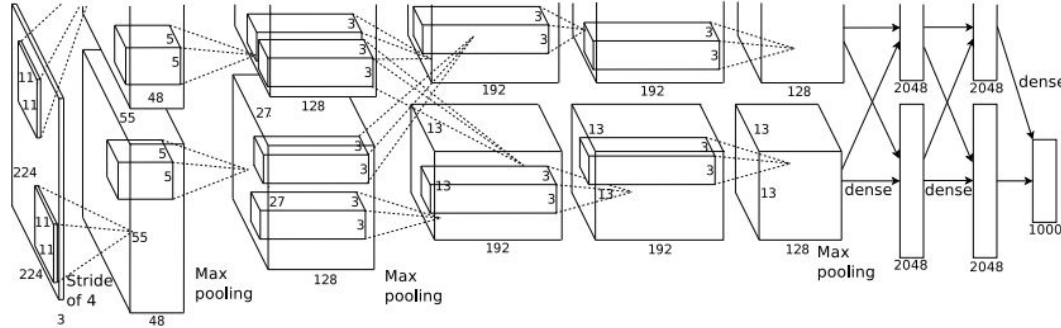
- Assignment 1 grades will be released over the weekend
- Assignment 2 due Friday April 28th, 11:59pm
 - Assignment 3 has extra credit opportunities
- Project proposal due April 24th

- Will release model midterm question papers before recitation

- Zoom recordings are always available on Canvas

Today: What's going on inside ConvNets?

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Class Scores:
1000 numbers

Input Image:
3 x 224 x 224

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What are the intermediate features looking for?

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- Visualizing filters
- Visualizing final layer features
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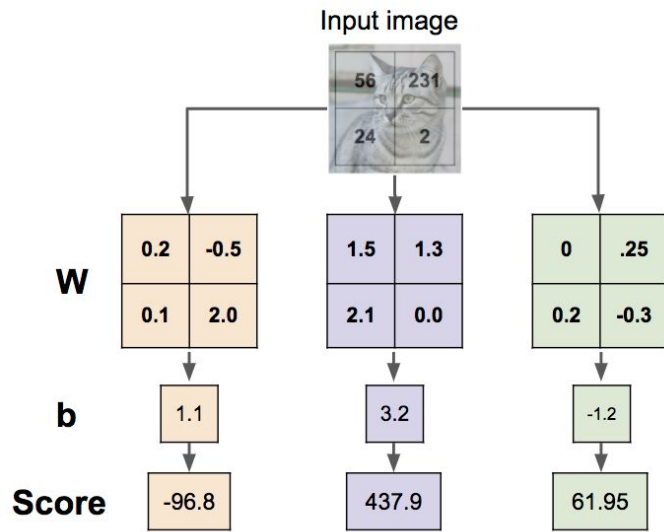
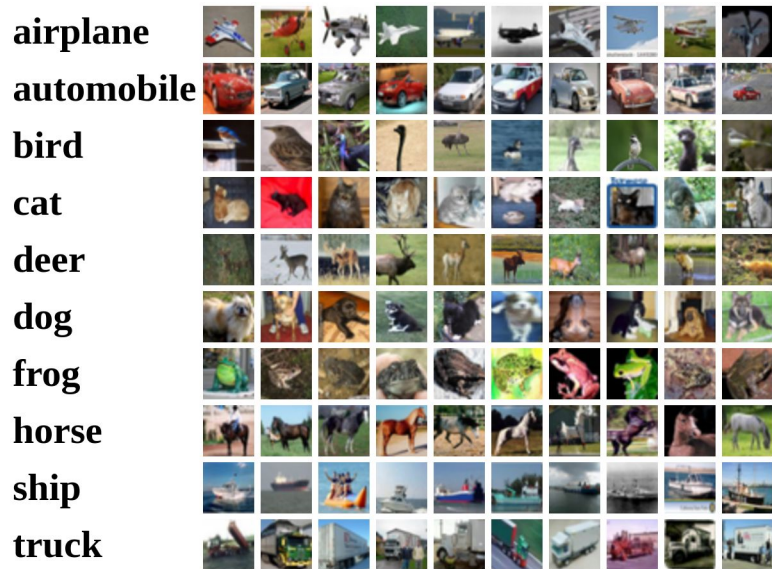
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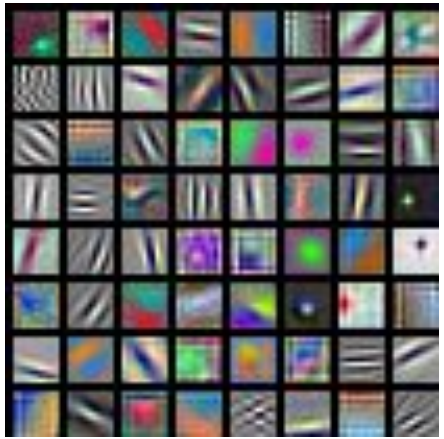
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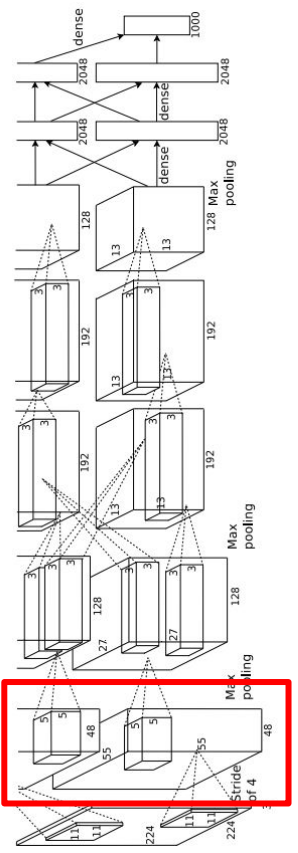
Interpreting a Linear Classifier: Visual Viewpoint



First Layer: Visualize Filters

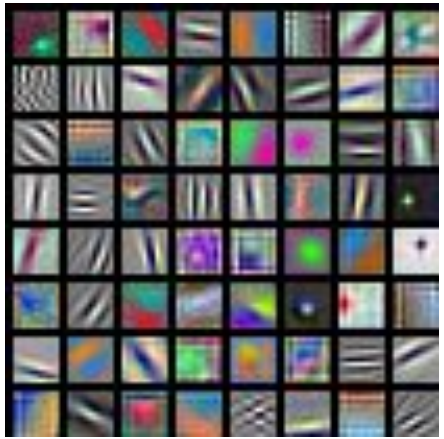


AlexNet:
64 x 3 x 11 x 11



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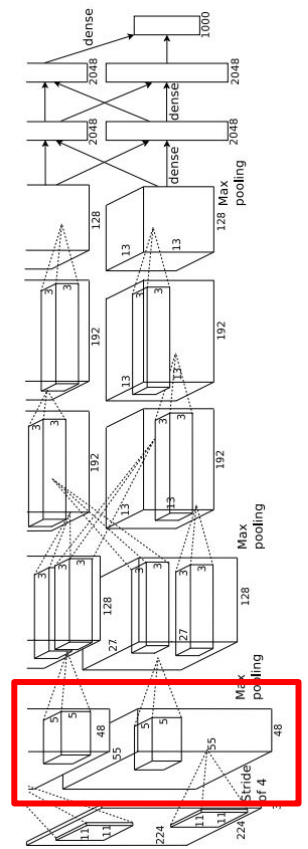
ResNet-18:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7



ResNet-101:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7



DenseNet-121:
64 x 3 x 7 x 7



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Visualize the filters/kernels (raw weights)

We can visualize filters at higher layers, but not that interesting

(these are taken from ConvNetJS CIFAR-10 demo)



layer 1 weights

$16 \times 3 \times 7 \times 7$



layer 2 weights

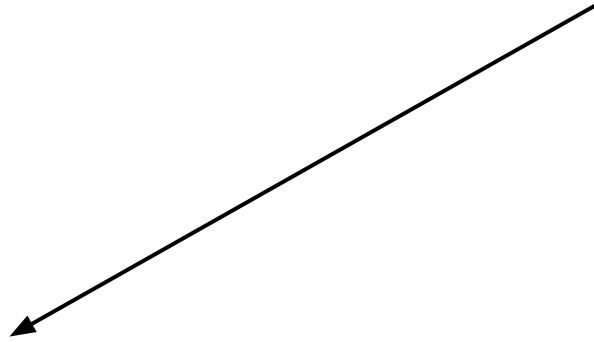
$20 \times 16 \times 7 \times 7$



layer 3 weights

$20 \times 20 \times 7 \times 7$

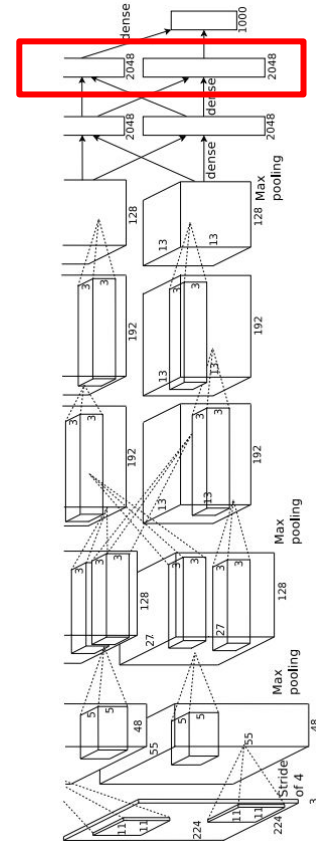
Last Layer



4096-dimensional feature vector for an image
(layer immediately before the classifier)

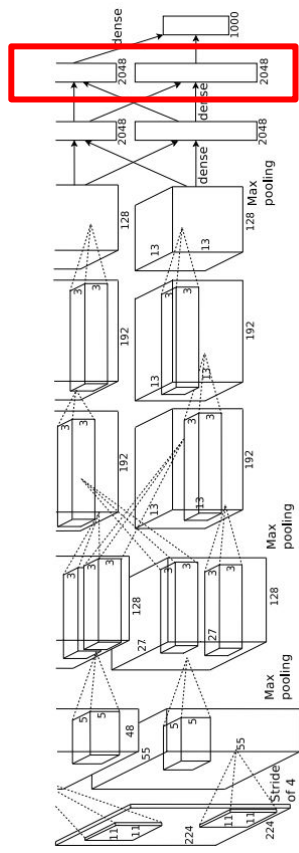
Run the network on many images, collect the
feature vectors

FC7 layer



Last Layer: Nearest Neighbors

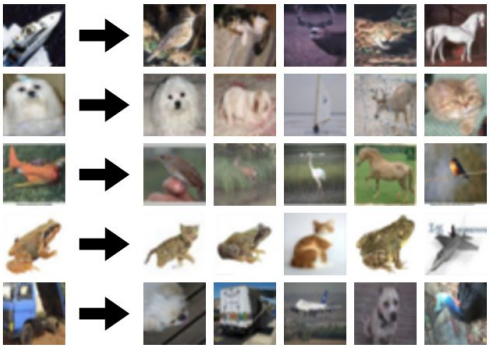
4096-dim vector



Test image L2 Nearest neighbors in feature space

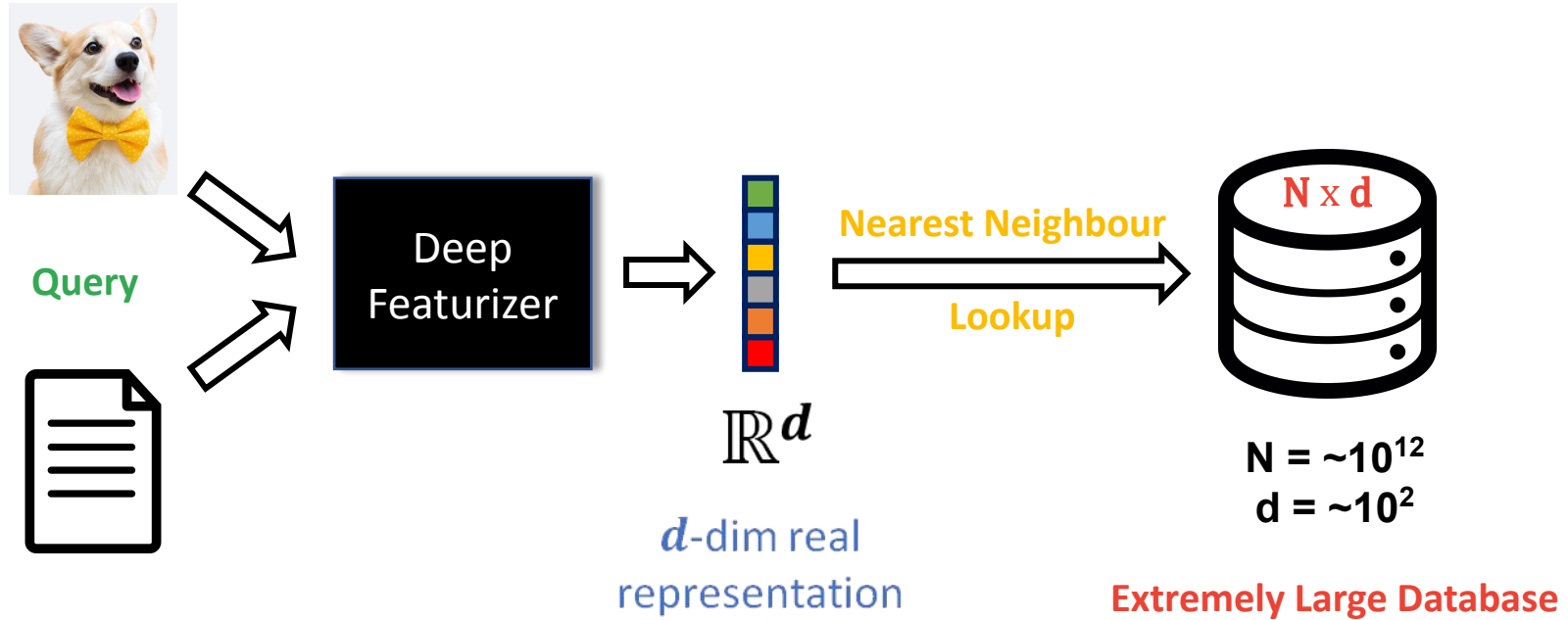


Recall: Nearest neighbors in pixel space

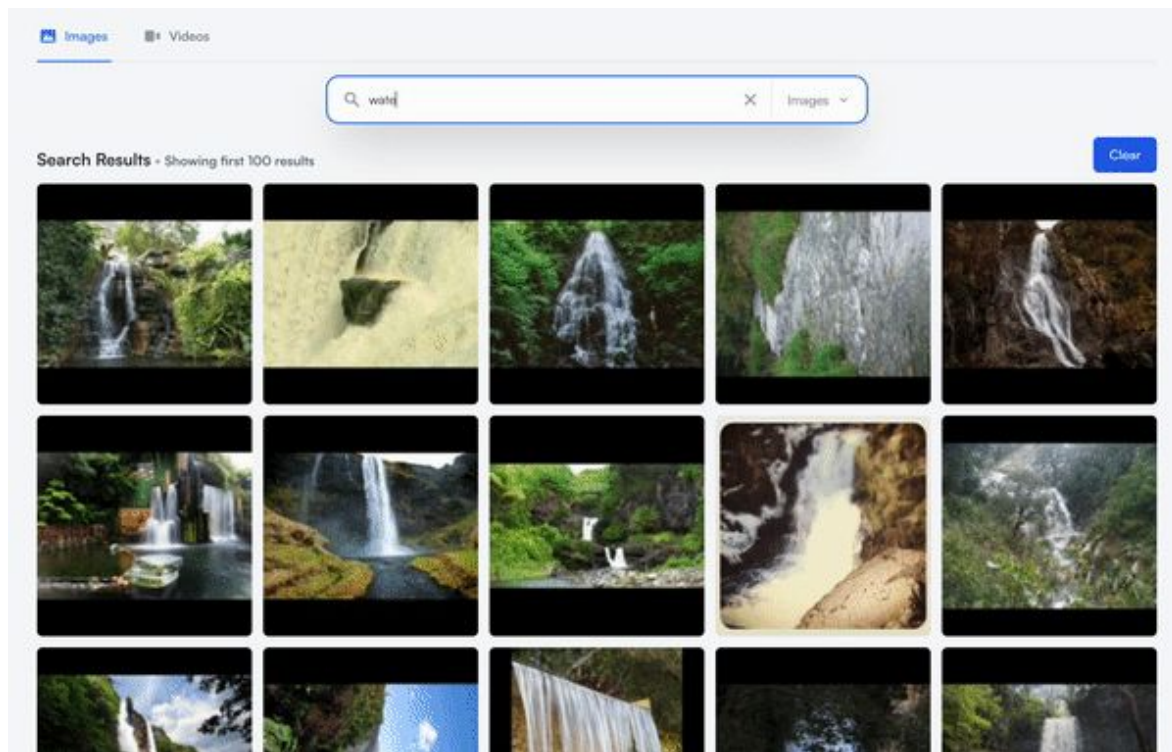


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Last Layer: Learned Metric for “Semantic” Search



Last Layer: Modern Day Search



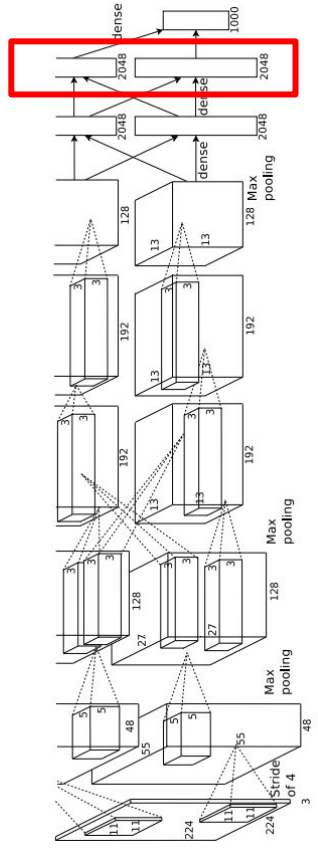
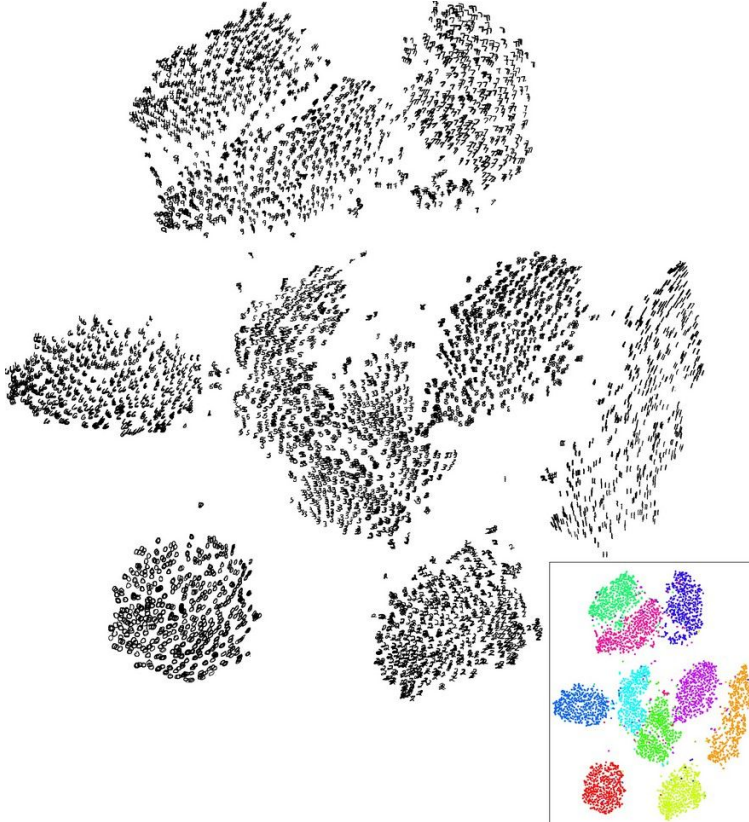
coactive.ai

Last Layer: Dimensionality Reduction

Visualize the “space” of FC7 feature vectors by reducing dimensionality of vectors from 4096 to 2 dimensions

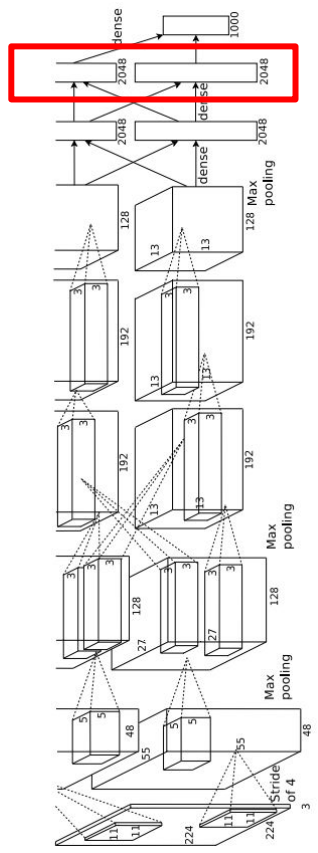
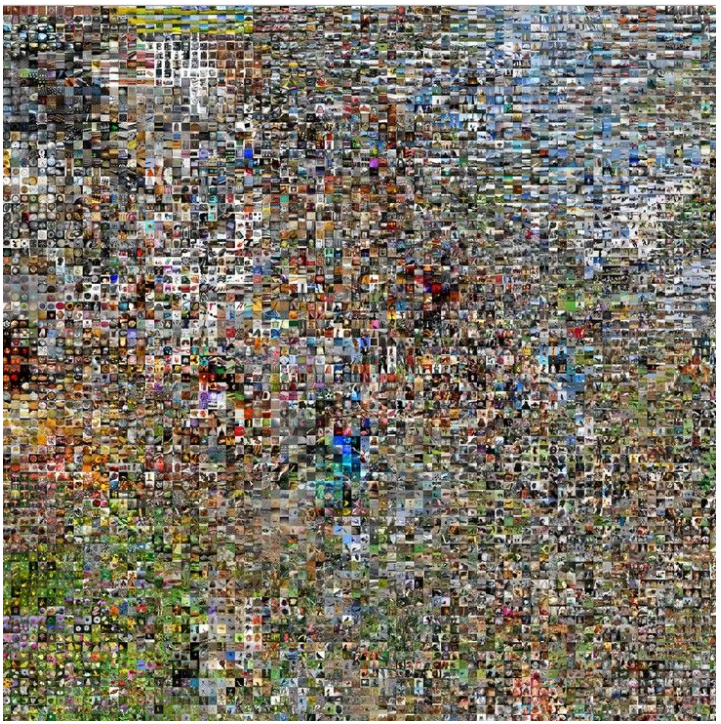
Simple algorithm: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

More complex: **t-SNE**



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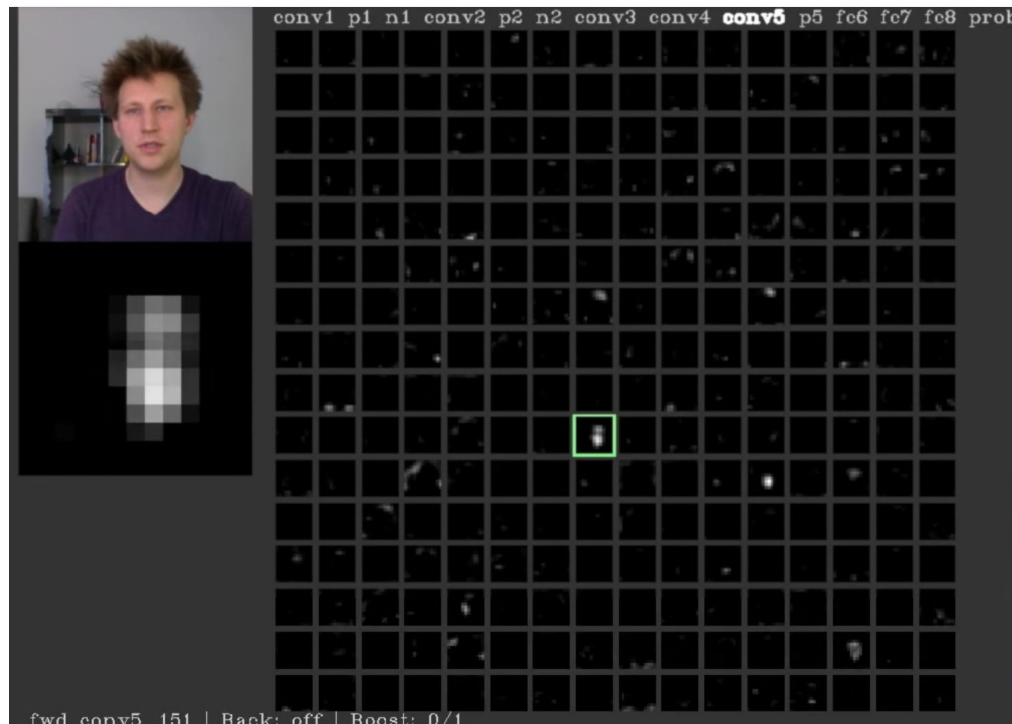


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<http://cs.stanford.edu/people/karpathy/cnnembed/>

Visualizing Activations

conv5 feature map is
128x13x13; visualize
as 128 13x13
grayscale images



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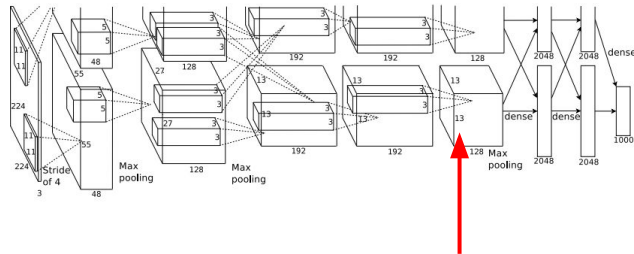
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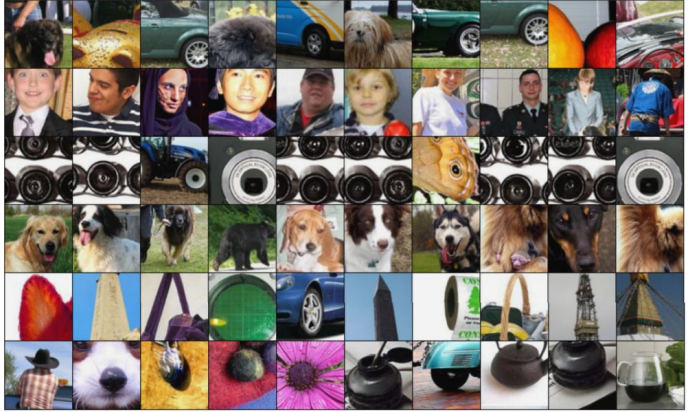
Maximally Activating Patches



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

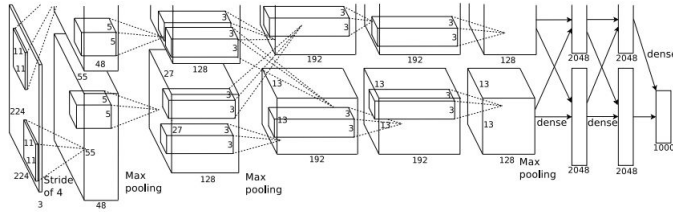
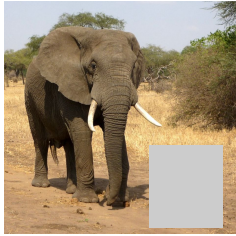
Visualize image patches that correspond to maximal activations



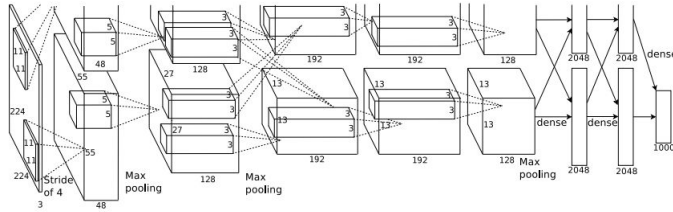
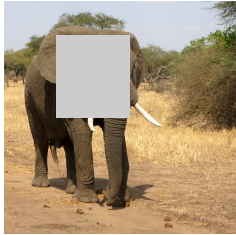
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Which pixels matter: Saliency via Occlusion

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



$P(\text{elephant}) = 0.95$



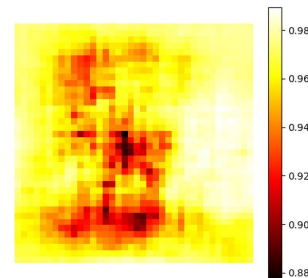
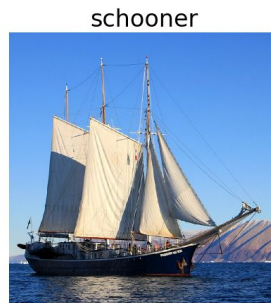
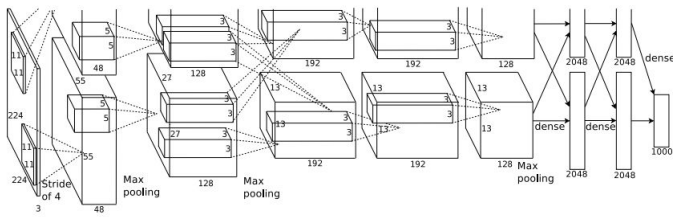
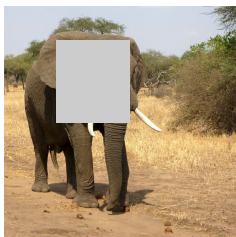
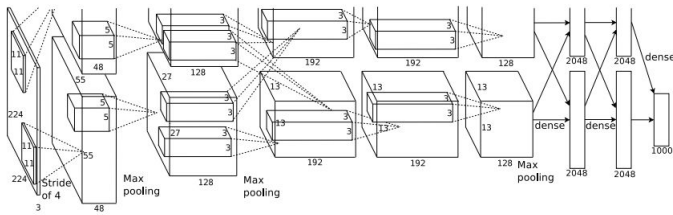
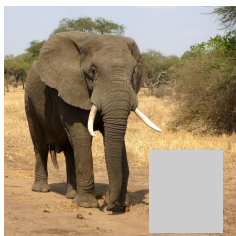
$P(\text{elephant}) = 0.75$

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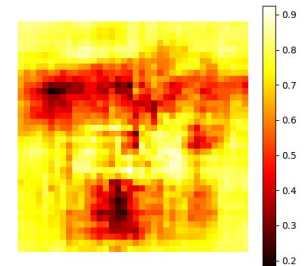
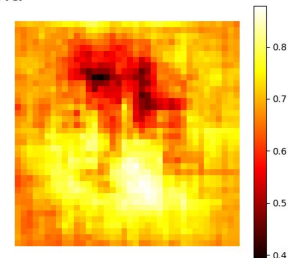
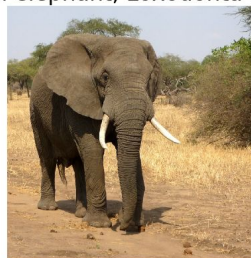
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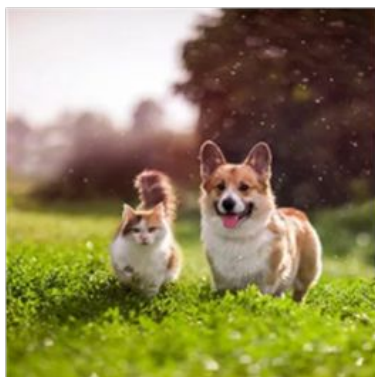
African elephant, *Loxodonta africana*



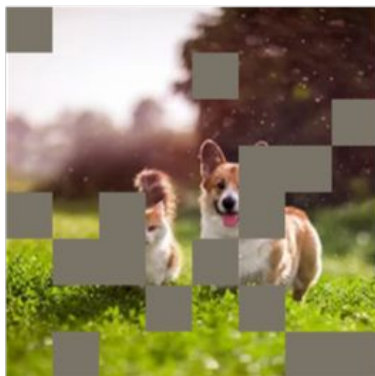
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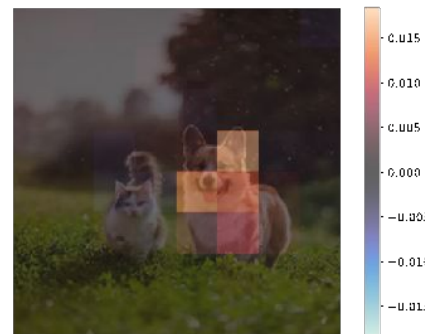
Saliency via Occlusion: Shapley Values



$P(\text{corgi}) = 0.99$



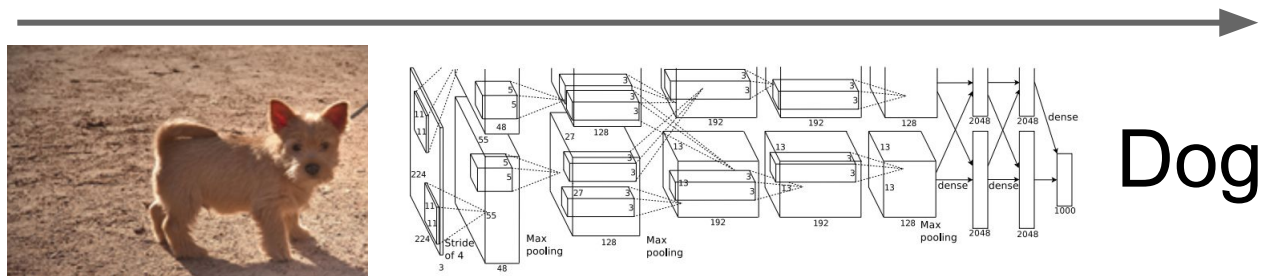
$P(\text{corgi}) = 0.8$



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Which pixels matter: Saliency via Backprop

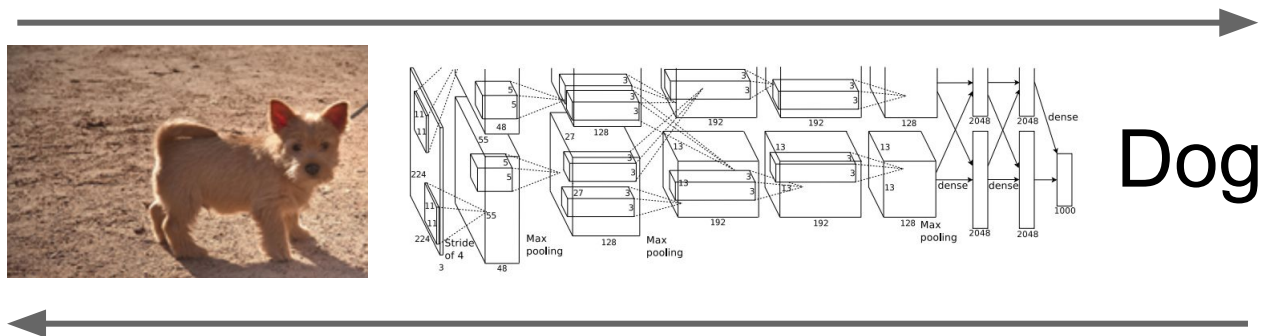
Forward pass: Compute probabilities



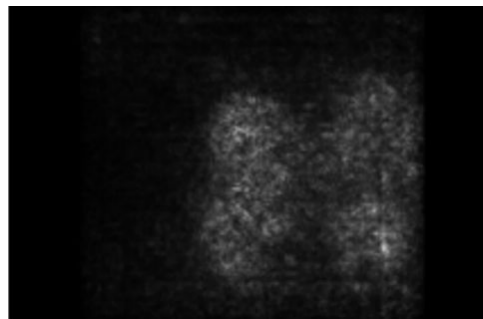
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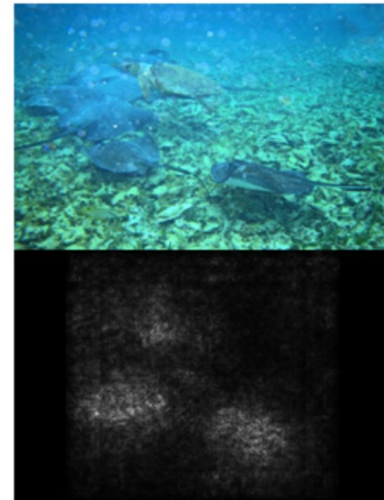
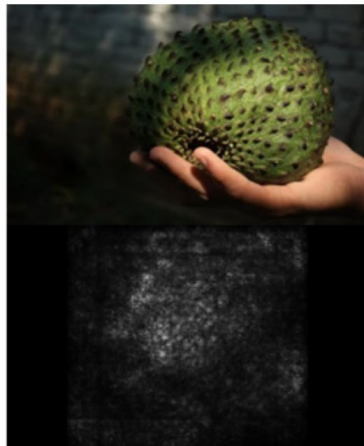
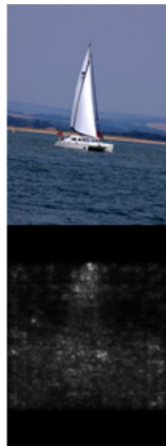


Compute gradient of (unnormalized) class score with respect to image pixels, take absolute value and max over RGB channels



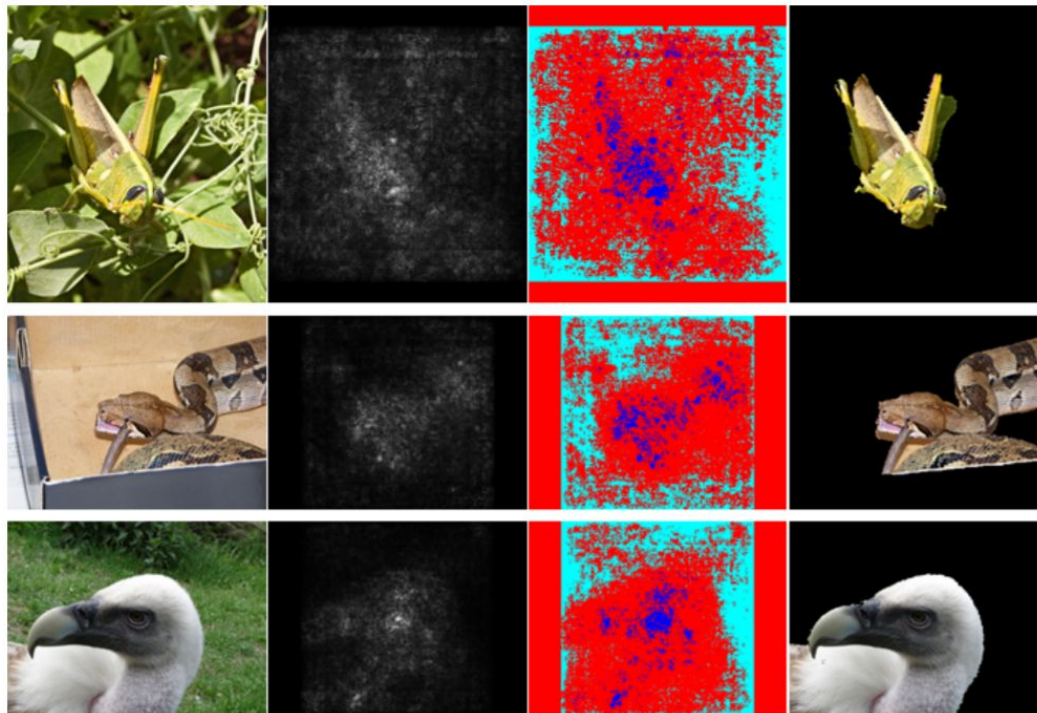
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Saliency Maps



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Saliency Maps: Segmentation without supervision



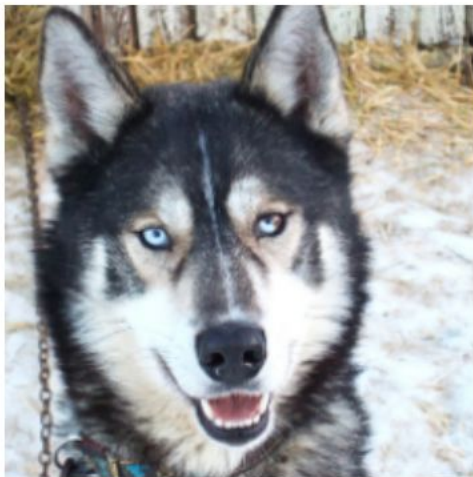
Use GrabCut on saliency map

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Rother et al, "Grabcut: Interactive foreground extraction using iterated graph cuts", ACM TOG 2004

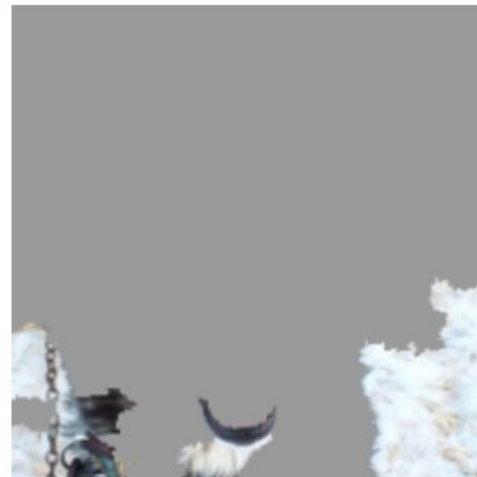
Saliency maps: Uncovers biases

Such methods also find biases

wolf vs dog classifier looks is actually a snow vs no-snow classifier



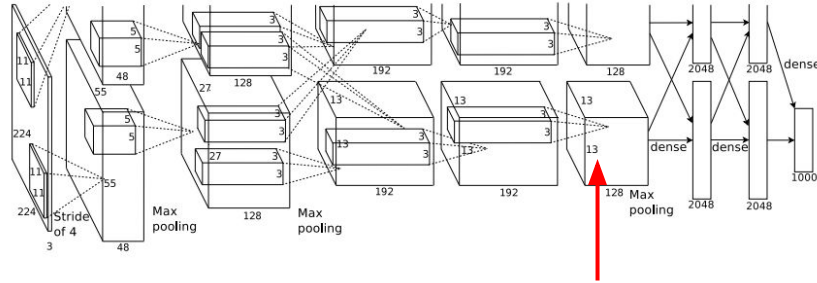
(a) Husky classified as wolf



(b) Explanation

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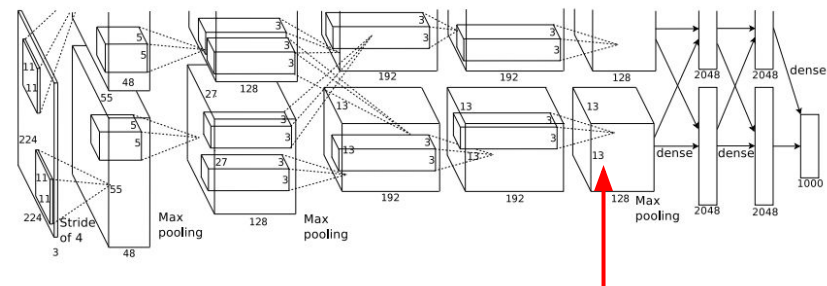
Intermediate Features via (guided) backprop



Pick a single intermediate channel, e.g. one value in 128 x 13 x 13 conv5 feature map

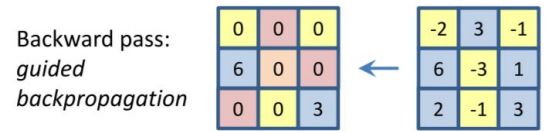
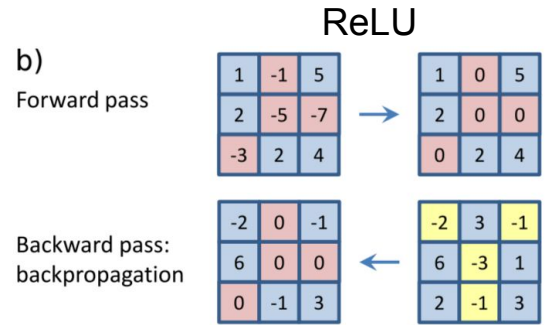
Compute gradient of activation value with respect to image pixels

Intermediate Features via (guided) backprop



Pick a single intermediate neuron, e.g. one value in 128 x 13 x 13 conv5 feature map

Compute gradient of neuron value with respect to image pixels



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

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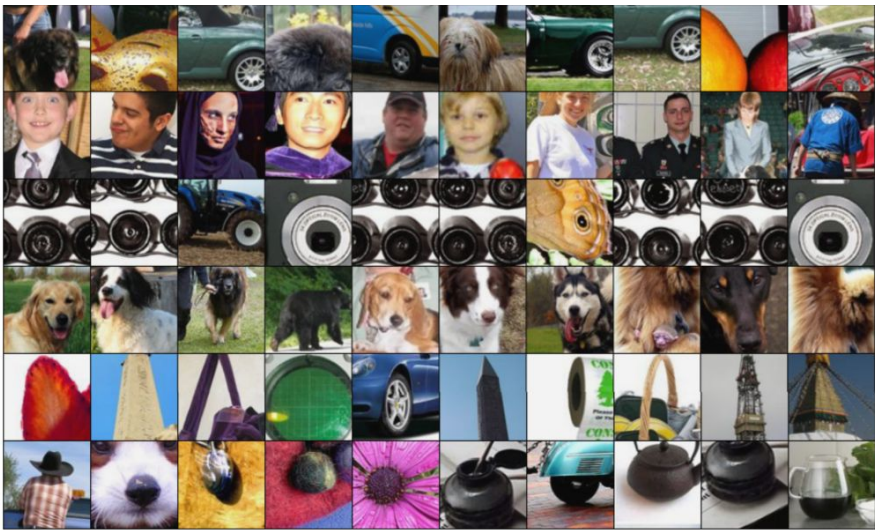
Maximally activating patches
(Each row is a different neuron)



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Visualizing CNN features: Gradient Ascent

(Guided) backprop:

Find the part of an image that a neuron responds to

Gradient ascent:

Generate a synthetic image that maximally activates a neuron

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

Neuron value

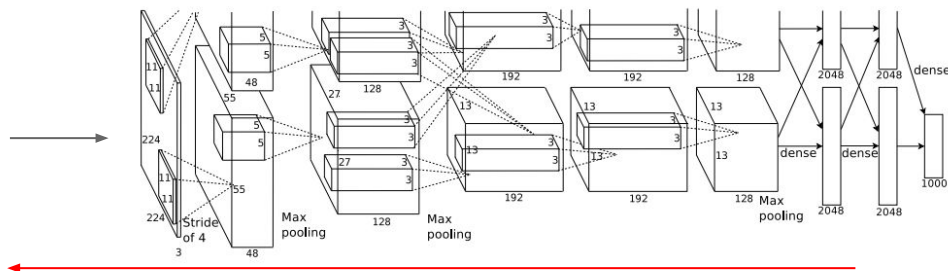
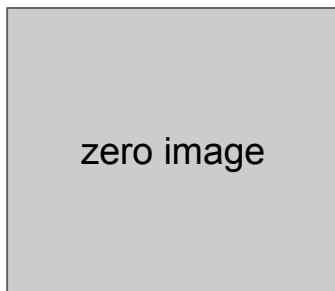
Natural image regularizer

Visualizing CNN features: Gradient Ascent

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

score for class c (before Softmax)

1. Initialize image to zeros



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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Simple regularizer: Penalize L2 norm of generated image

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dumbbell



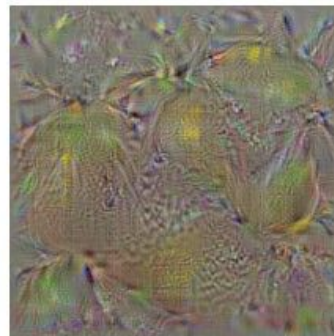
cup



dalmatian



bell pepper



lemon



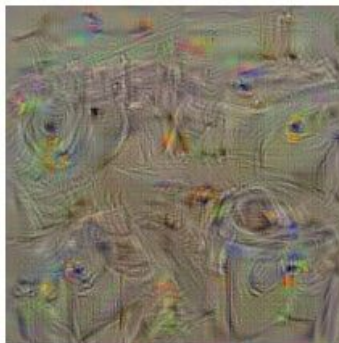
husky

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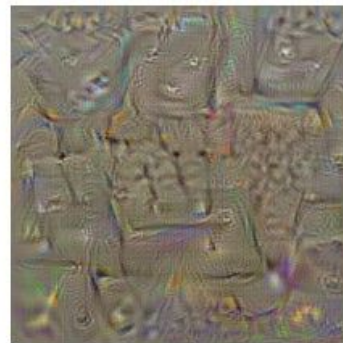
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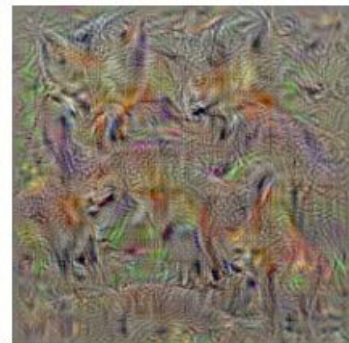
Simple regularizer: Penalize L2 norm of generated image



washing machine



computer keyboard



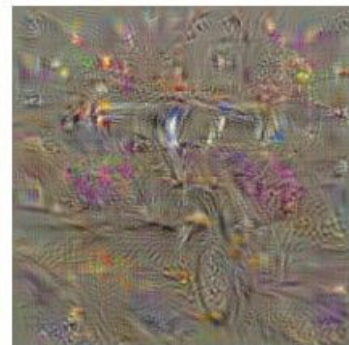
kit fox



goose



ostrich



limousine

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Visualizing CNN features: Gradient Ascent

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Better regularizer: Penalize L2 norm of image; also during optimization periodically

- (1) Gaussian blur image
- (2) Clip pixels with small values to 0
- (3) Clip pixels with small gradients to 0

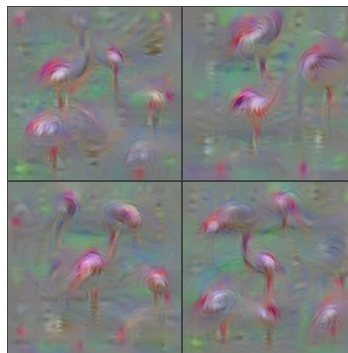
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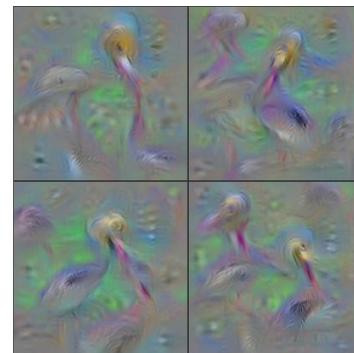
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Better regularizer: Penalize L2 norm of image; also during optimization periodically

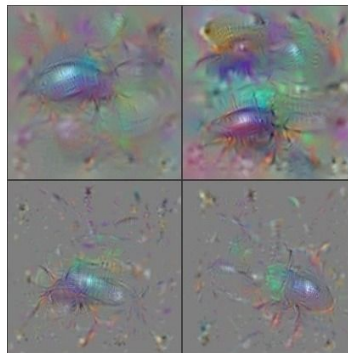
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- (3) Clip pixels with small gradients to 0



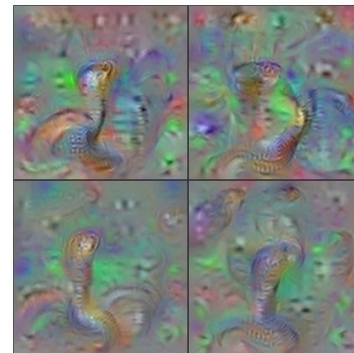
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Ground Beetle



Indian Cobra

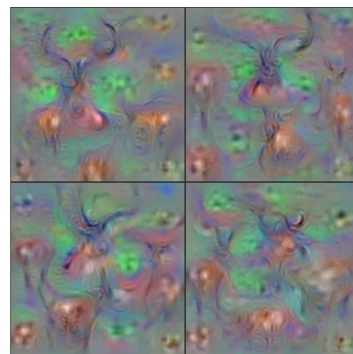
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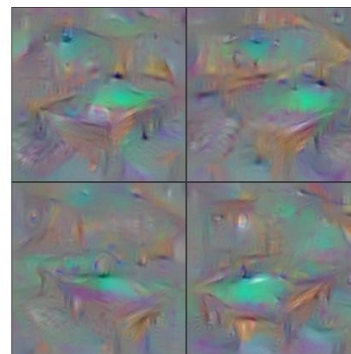
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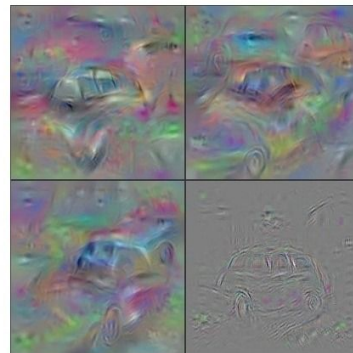
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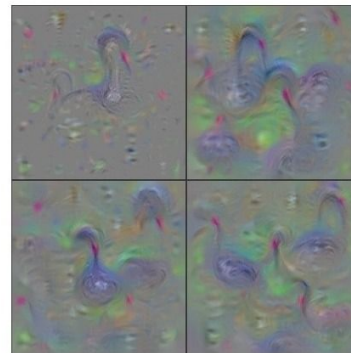
Hartebeest



Billiard Table



Station Wagon

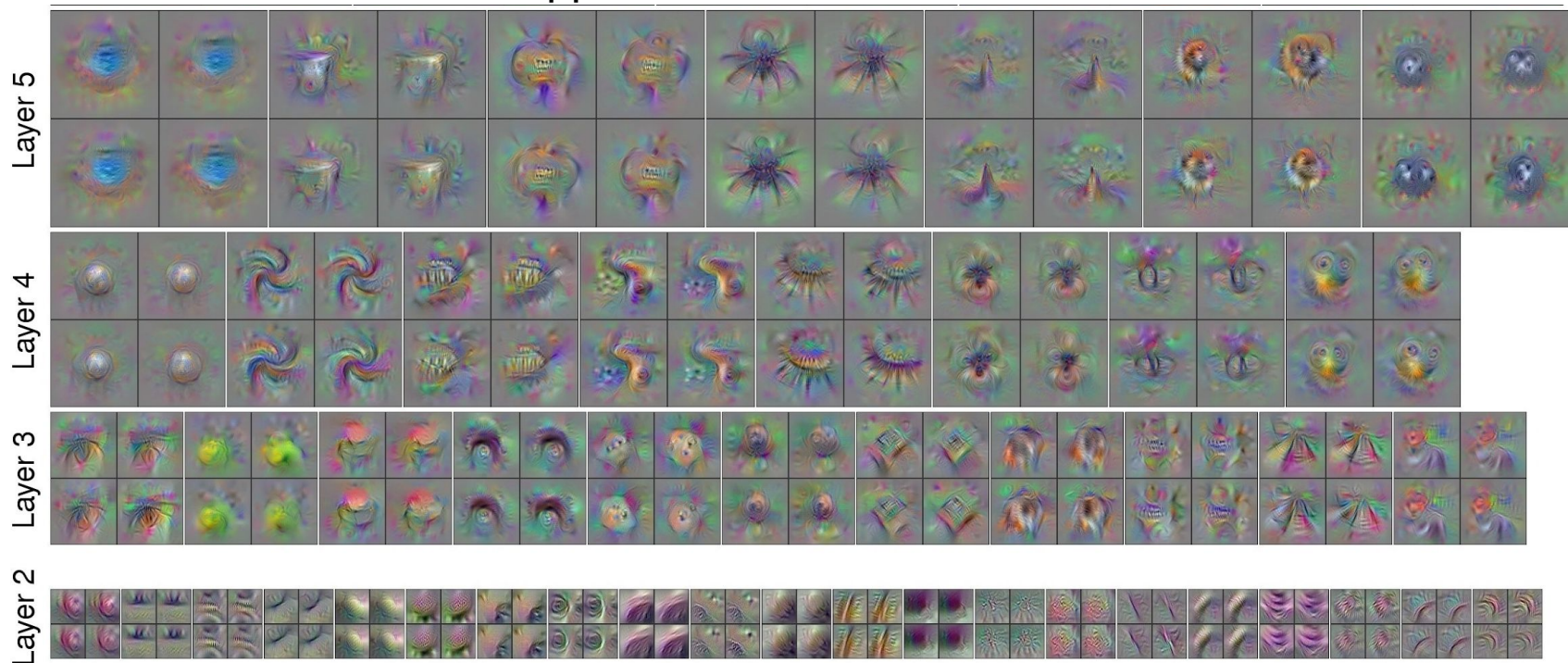


Black Swan

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Use the same approach to visualize intermediate features



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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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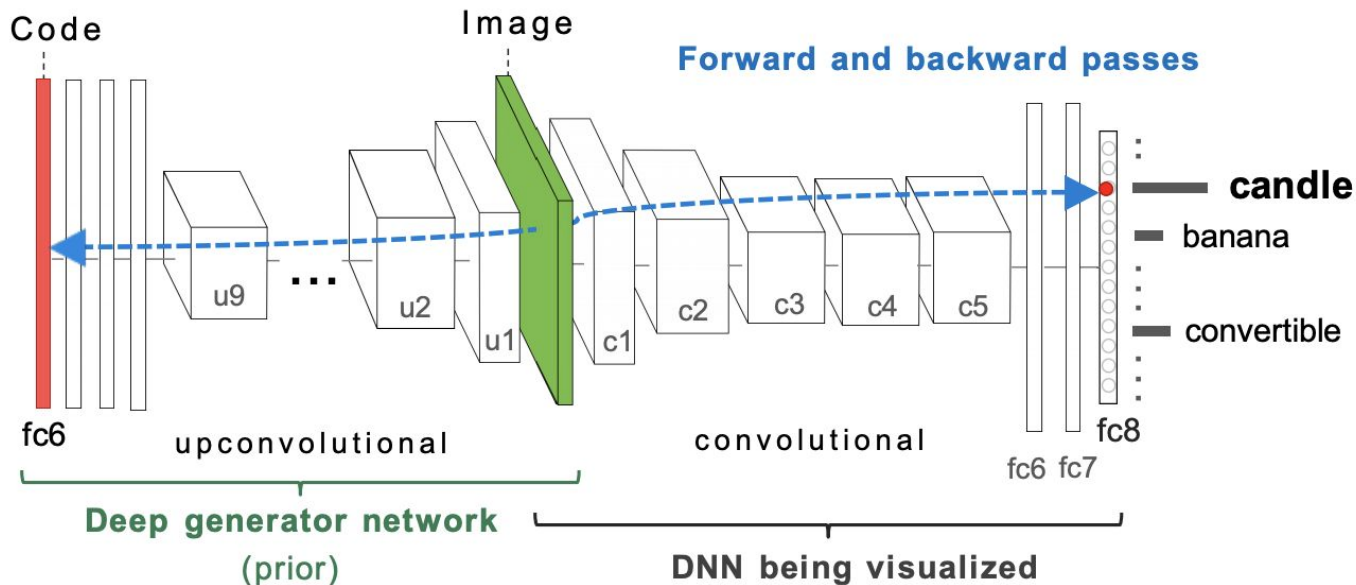
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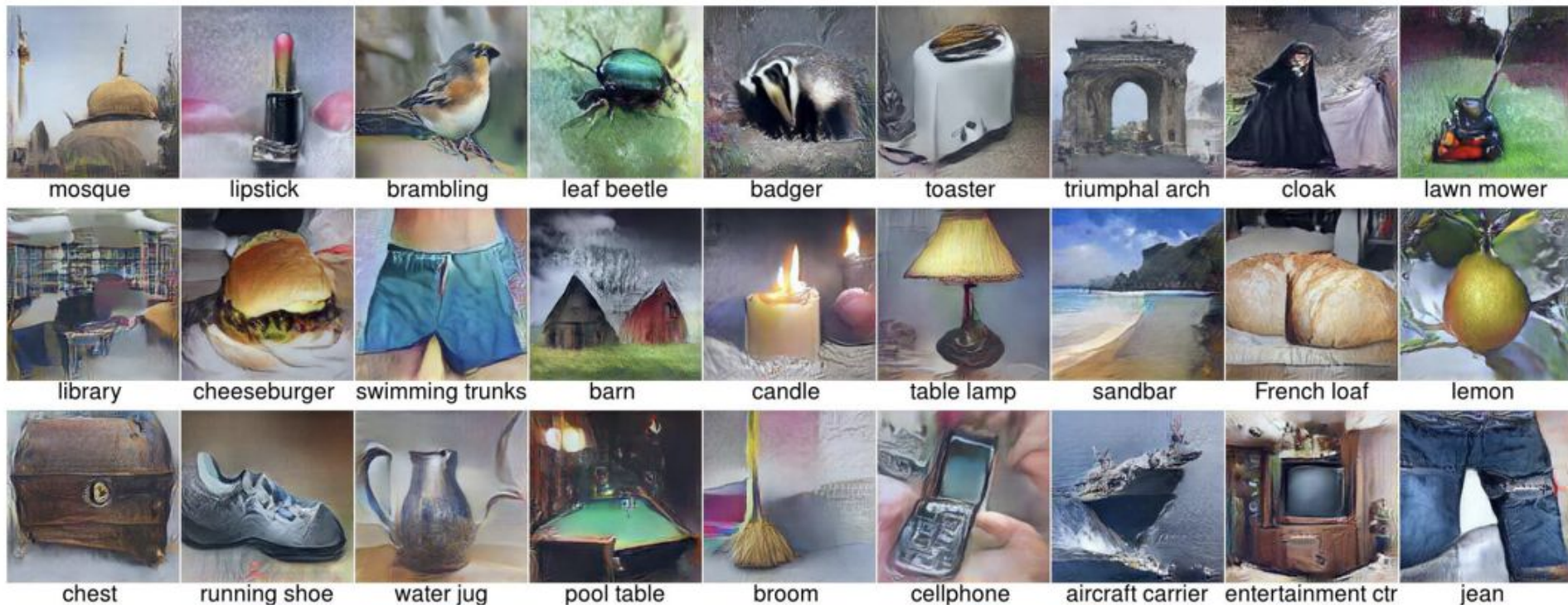
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Today's agenda

Visualizing what models have learned:

- Visualizing filters
- Visualizing final layer features
- Visualizing activations

Understanding input pixels

- Identifying important pixels
- Saliency via backprop
- Guided backprop to generate images
- Gradient ascent to visualize features

Adversarial perturbations

Fooling Images / Adversarial Examples

- (1) Start from an arbitrary image
- (2) Pick an arbitrary class
- (3) Modify the image to maximize the class
- (4) Repeat until network is fooled

Fooling Images / Adversarial Examples

African elephant



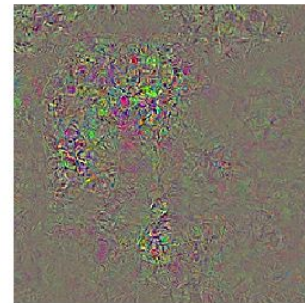
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Difference



10x Difference



schooner



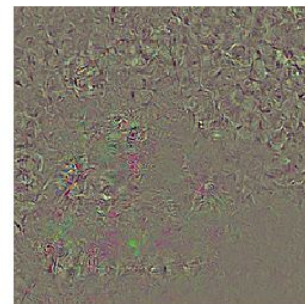
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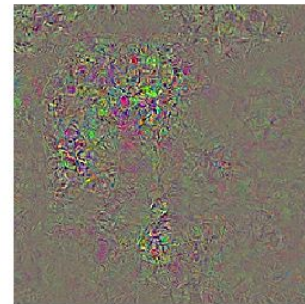
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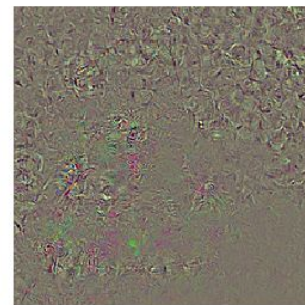
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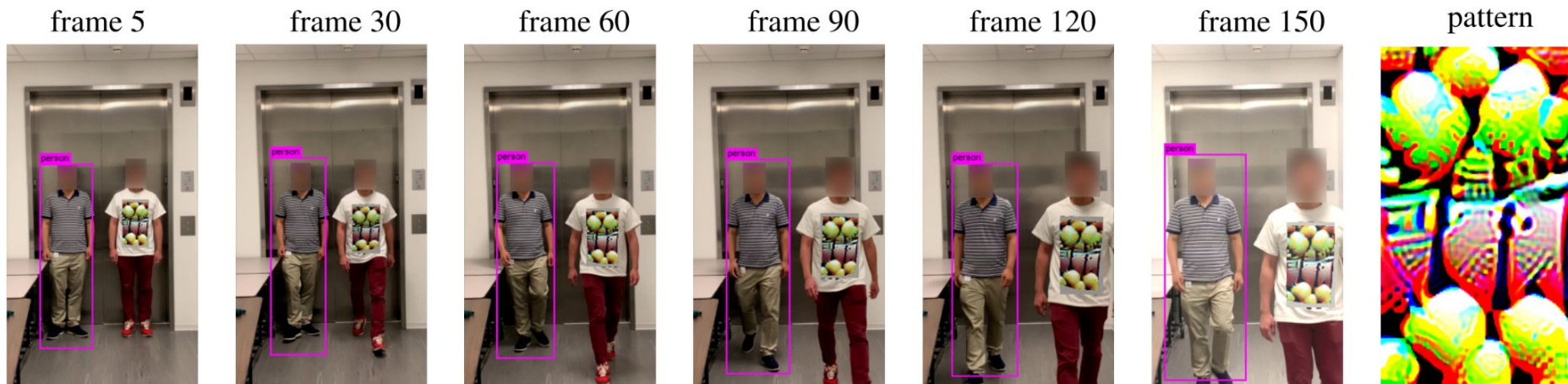
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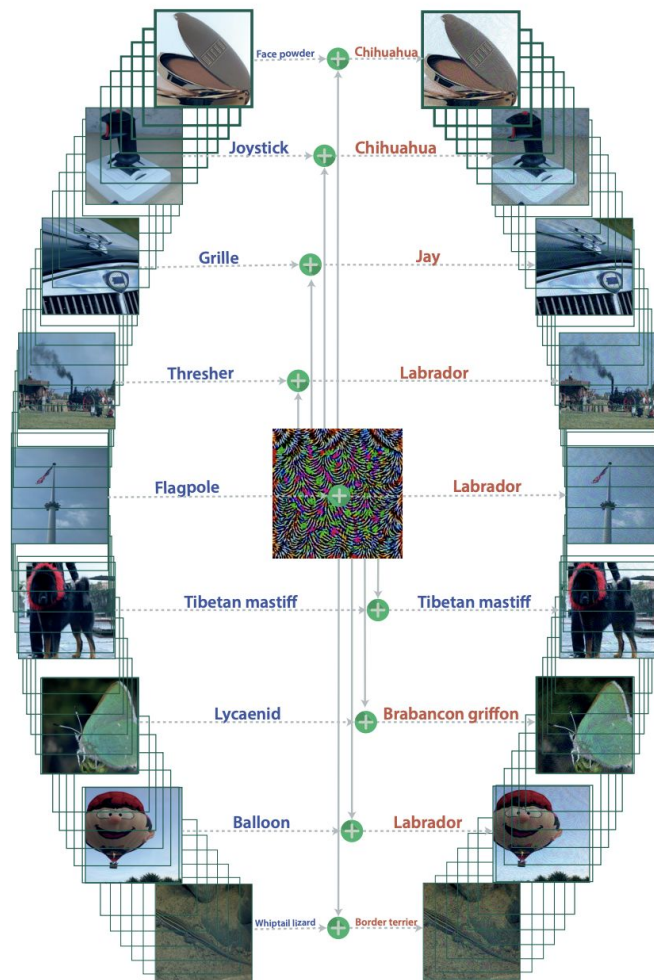
Fooling Person Detectors and Self-driving Cars



Xu et al., 2019; Eykholt et al., 2018

Fooling Images / Adversarial Example

Universal perturbations



Moosavi-Dezfooli, Seyed-Mohsen, et al. "Universal adversarial perturbations." Proceedings of the IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition. 2017.
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Summary

Many methods for understanding CNN representations

Activations: Nearest neighbors, Dimensionality reduction, maximal patches, occlusion

Gradients: Saliency maps, class visualization, fooling images, feature inversion

Adversarial Examples: To confuse the models

Next time: **Self-supervised Learning**