Visualizing Deep Networks

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This Class: Visualizing Deep Networks

- Basics
- Visualizing “Saliency map”
- Visualization by maximizing activation
- Quantification on the units

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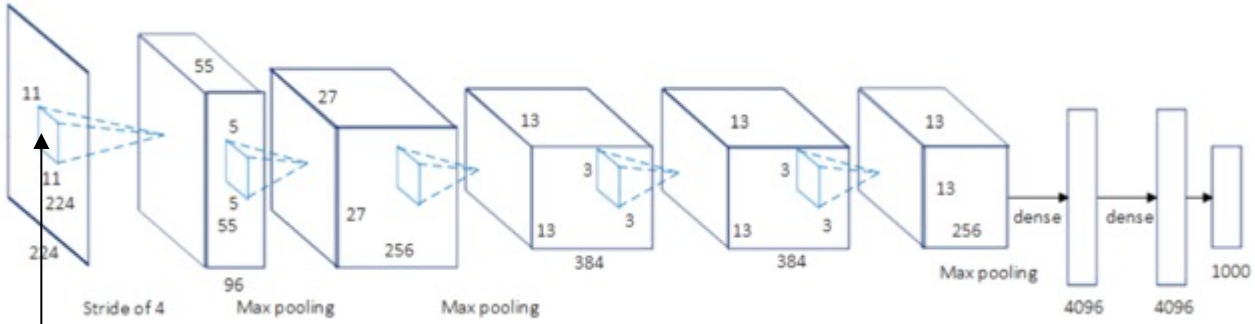
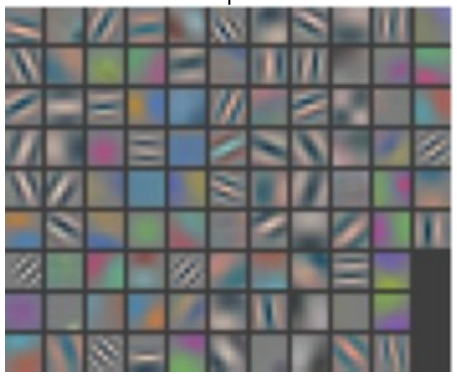
Basics

Basic visualization methods



Visualize first-layer weights directly



Basic visualization methods

Weights:

layer 1 weights

16 x 3 x 7 x 7

Weights:

layer 2 weights

20 x 16 x 7 x 7

Visualizing the following layers is not very helpful

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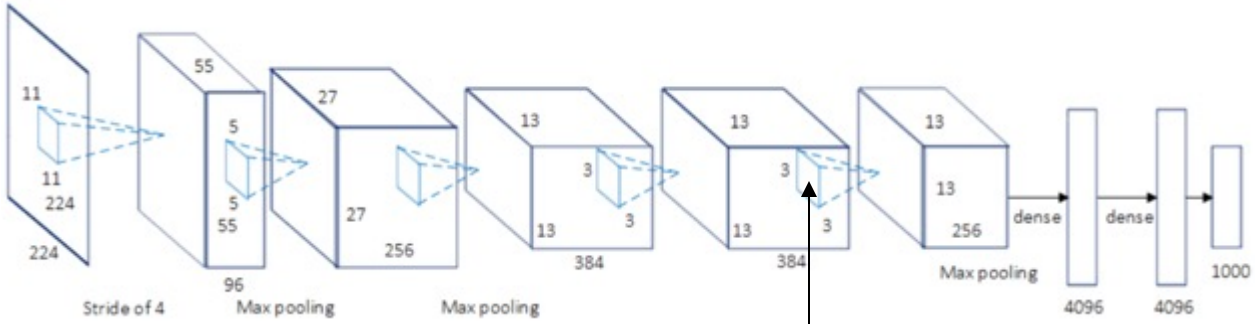

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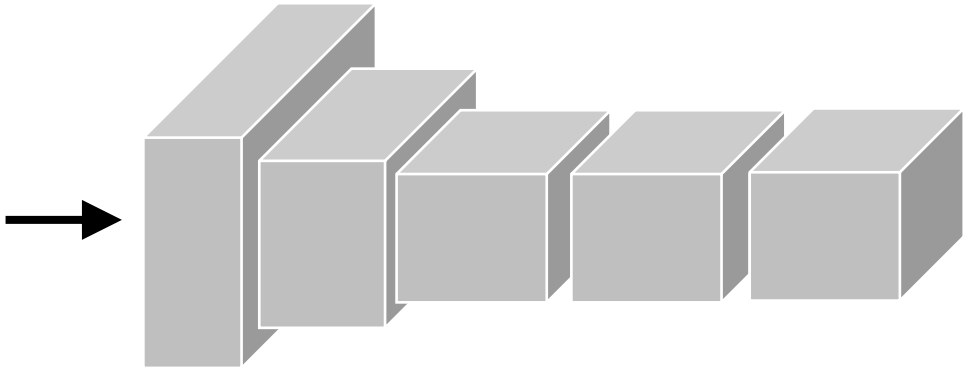
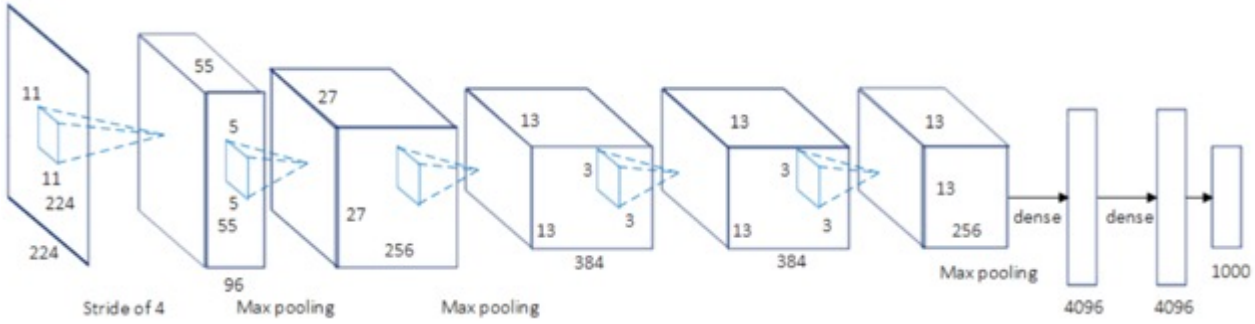
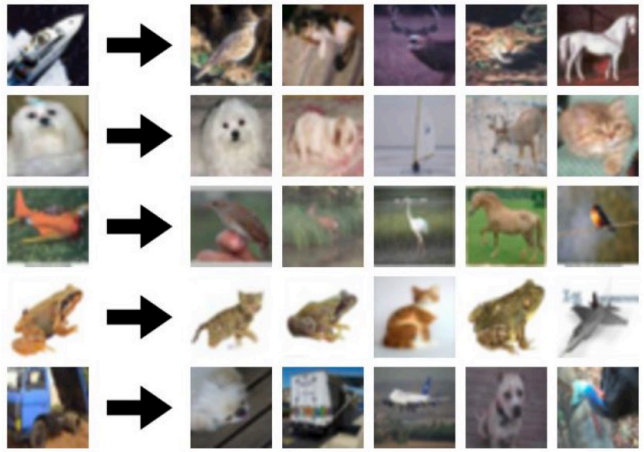


High response on one neuron

Basic visualization methods



Recall: Nearest neighbors in pixel space



What about FC layers?

Visualize nearest neighbor images according to activation vectors

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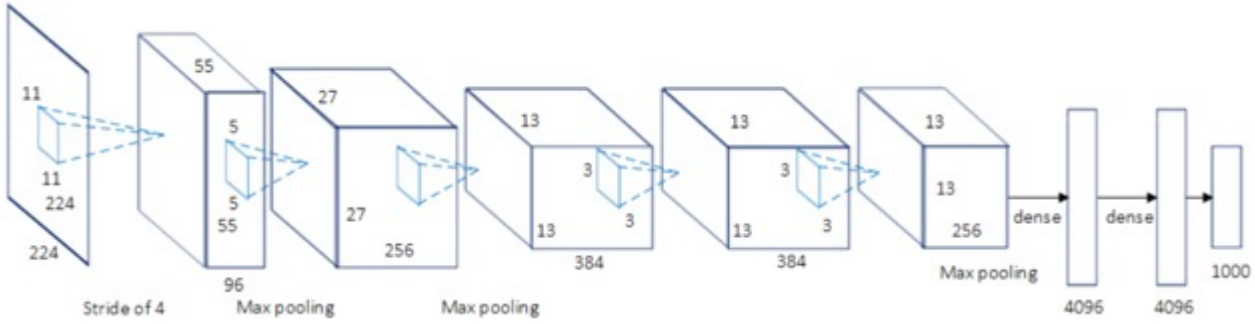
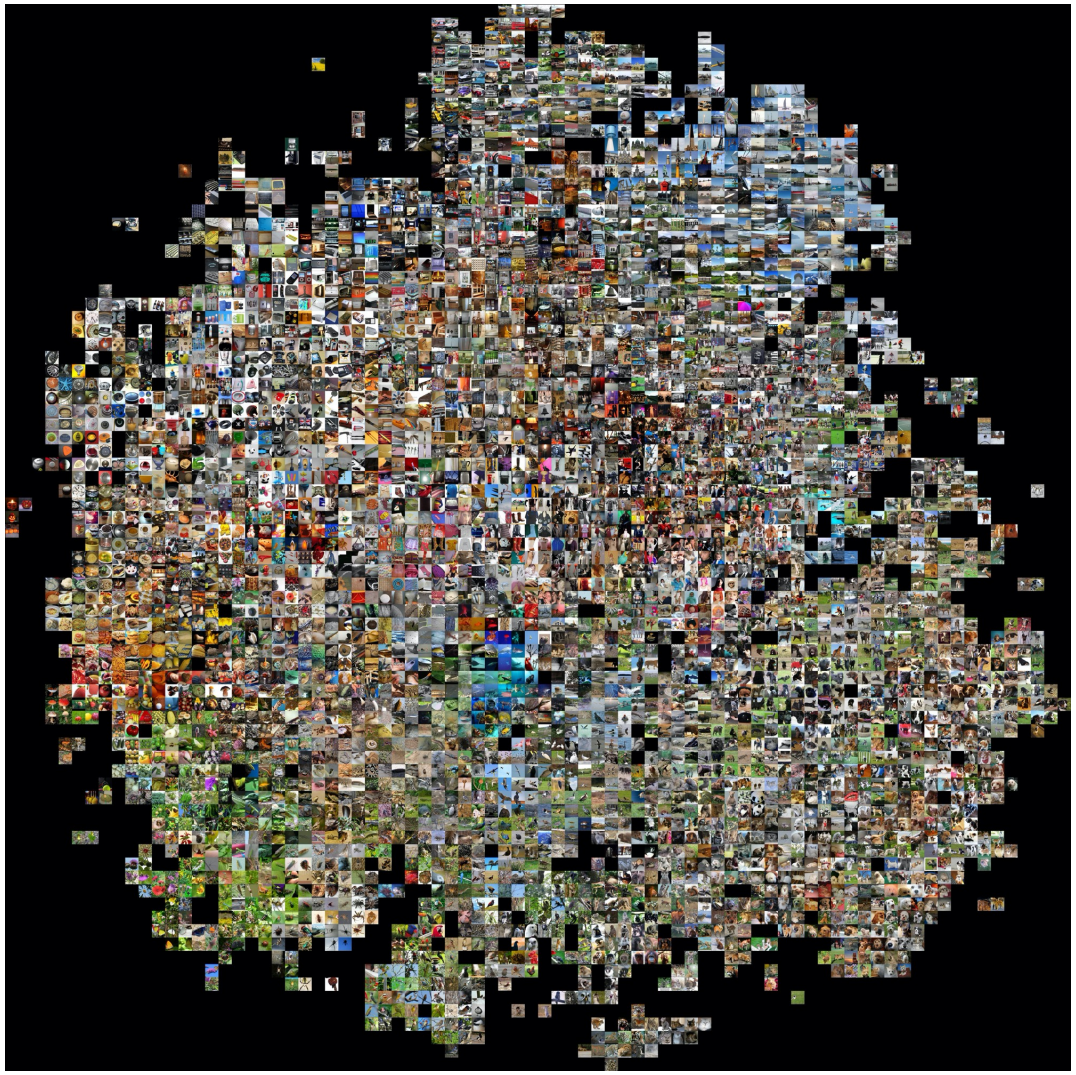


What about FC layers?

dimensionality reduction, by t-SNE

Reduce image to 2-d using t-SNE



https://cs.stanford.edu/people/karpathy/cnnembed/cnn_embed_4k.jpg

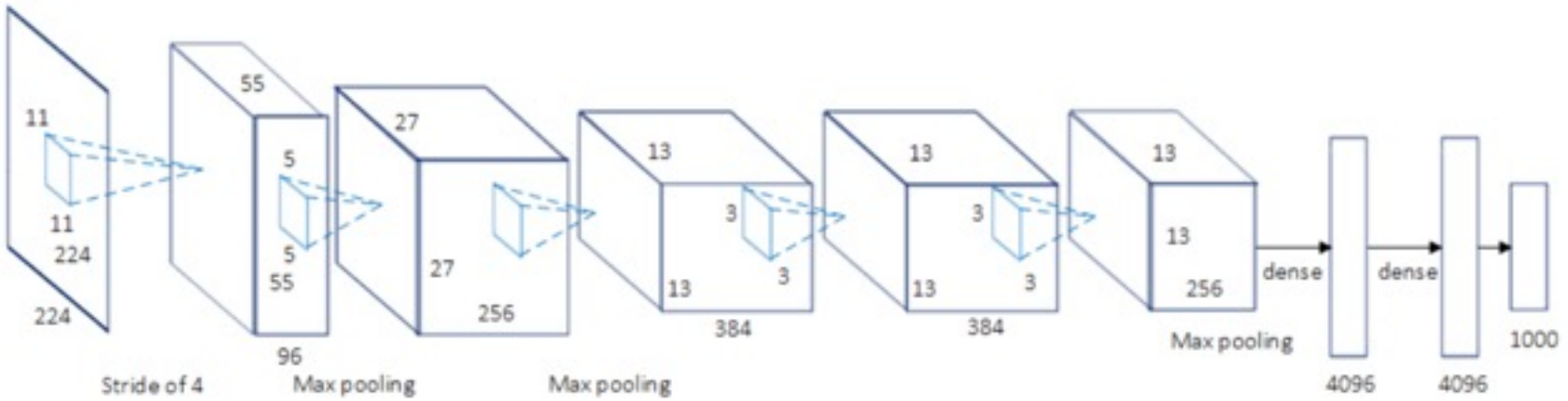
Visualizing “Saliency map”

Saliency map

Backpropagate gradient of class score (before softmax) to the image, display max of absolute values across color channels

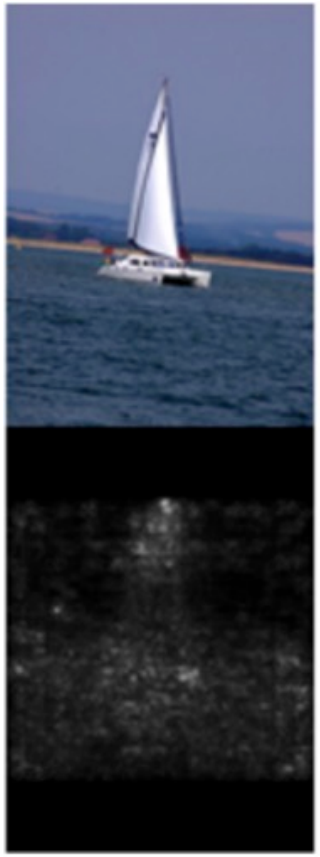
K. Simonyan, A. Vedaldi, and A. Zisserman, Deep Inside Convolutional Networks: Visualising Image Classification Models and Saliency Maps, ICLR 2014

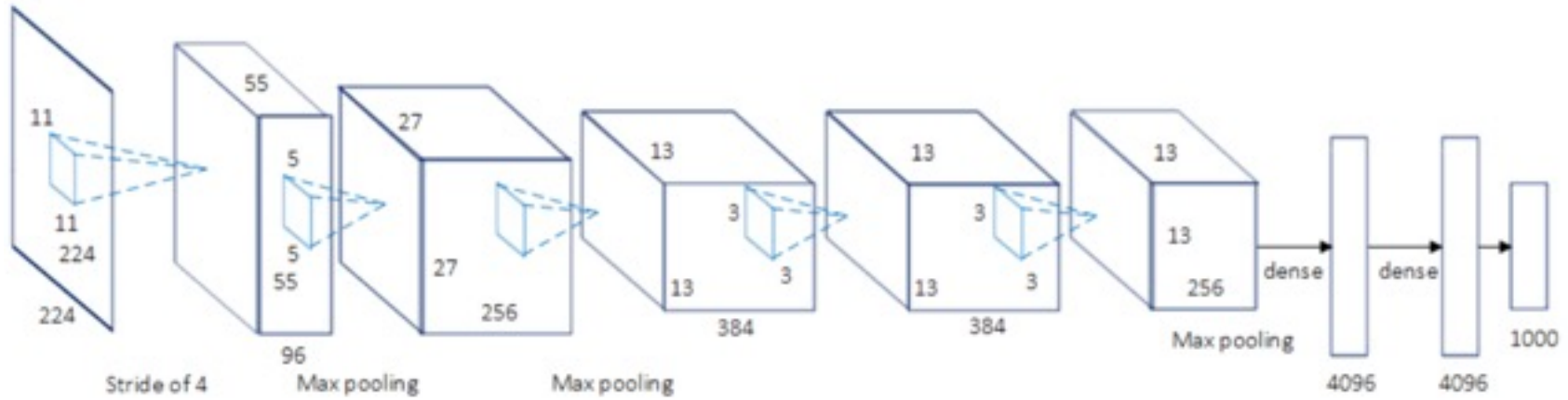
Saliency map



Compute the Loss

Saliency map



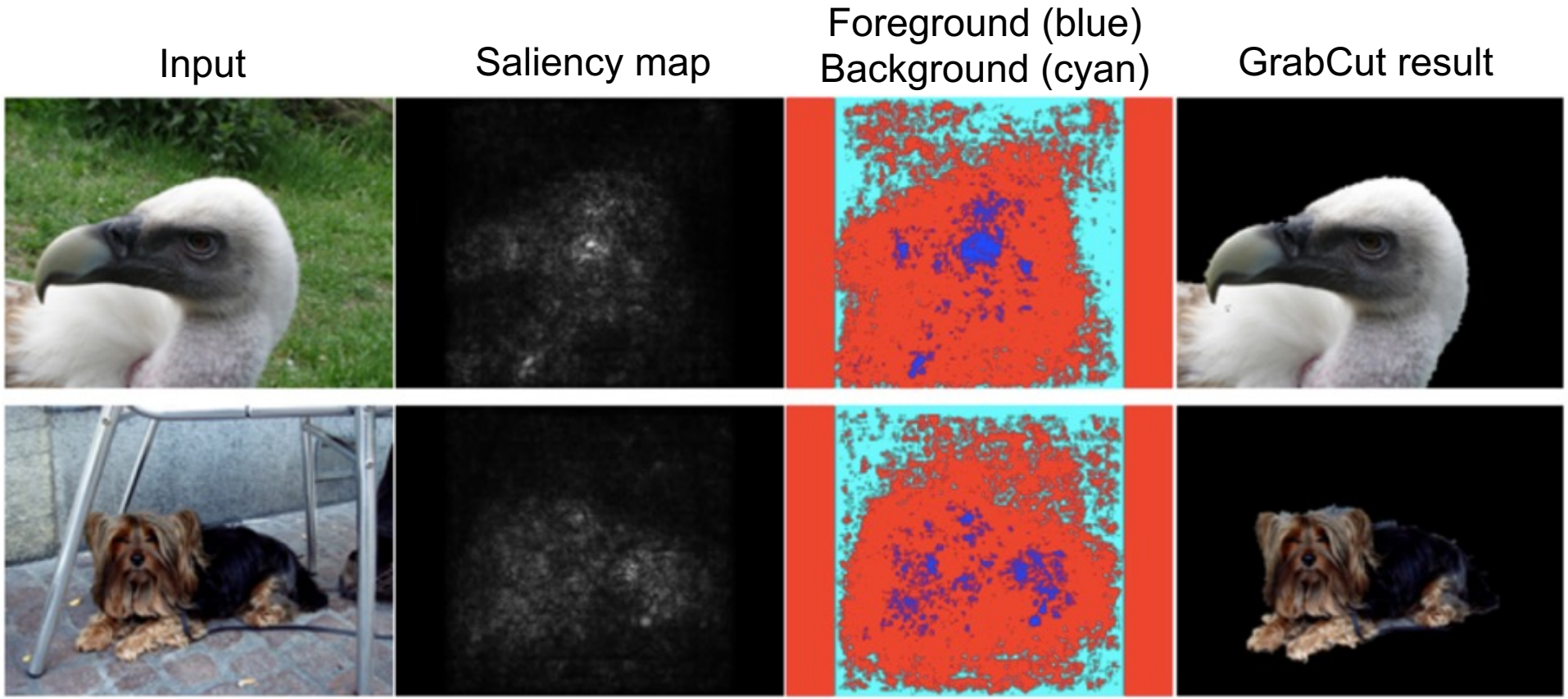


Compute the Loss

BP the gradients, but do not train the network
Visualize the final gradient to the image

Saliency map

Can be used for *weakly supervised* segmentation:



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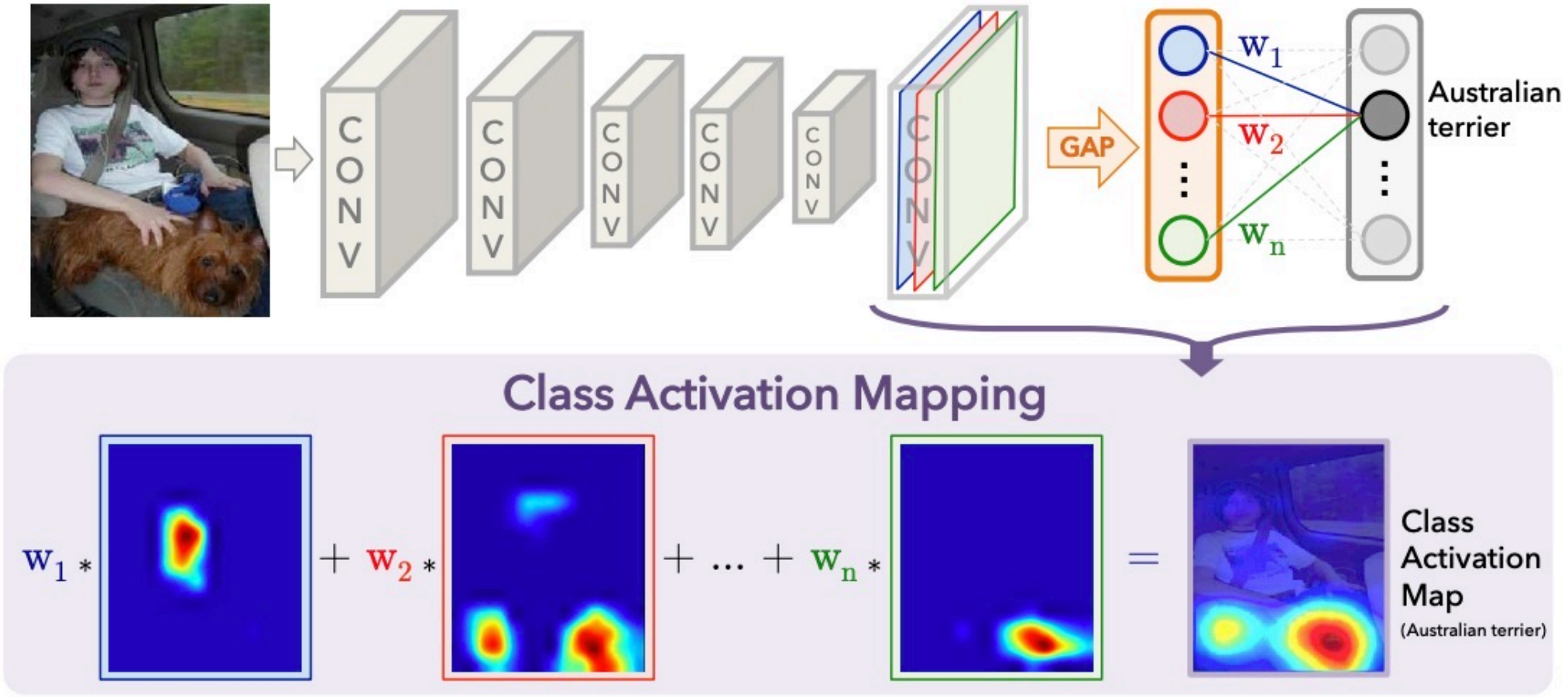

Zhou et al. 2016

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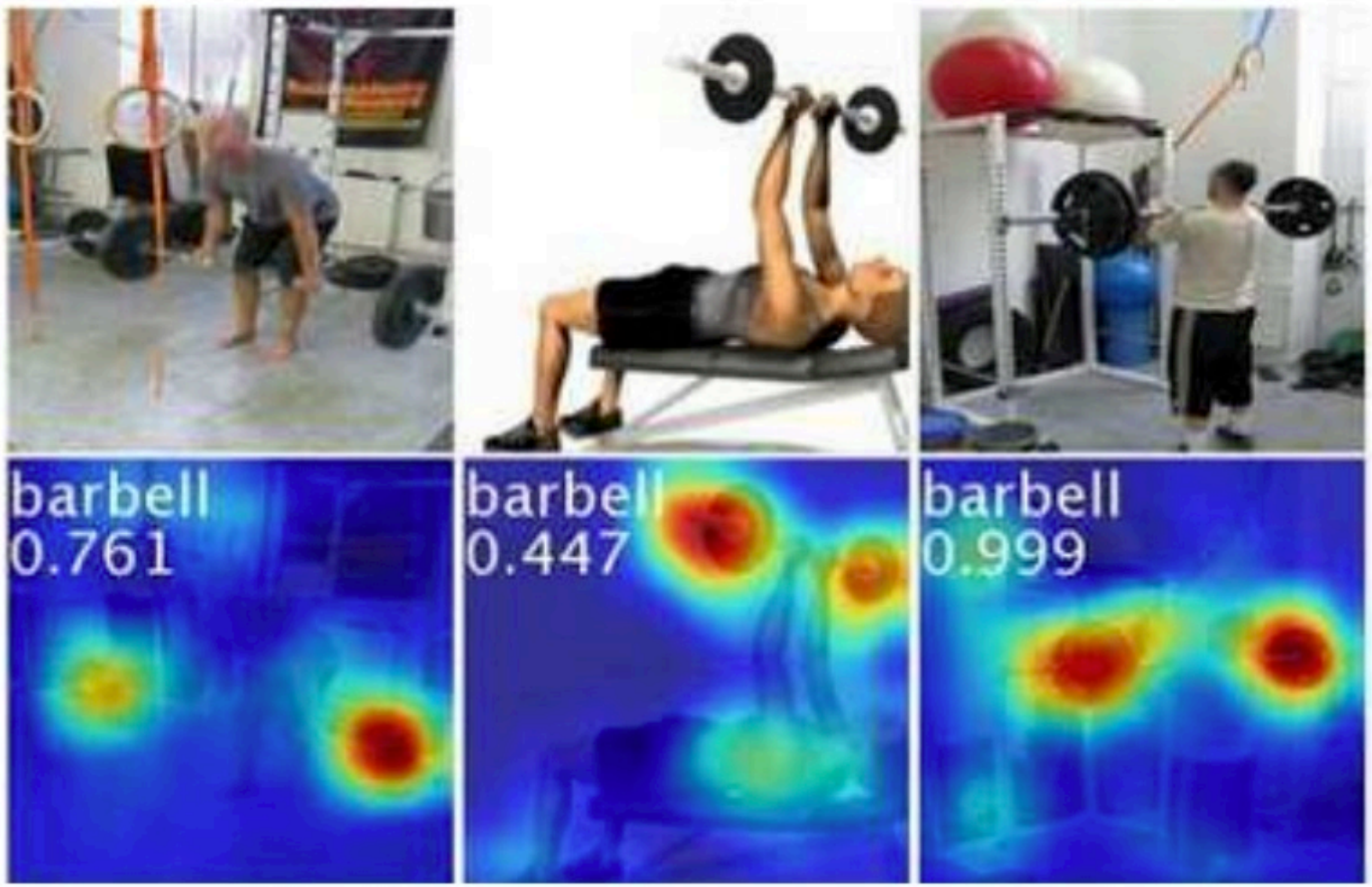

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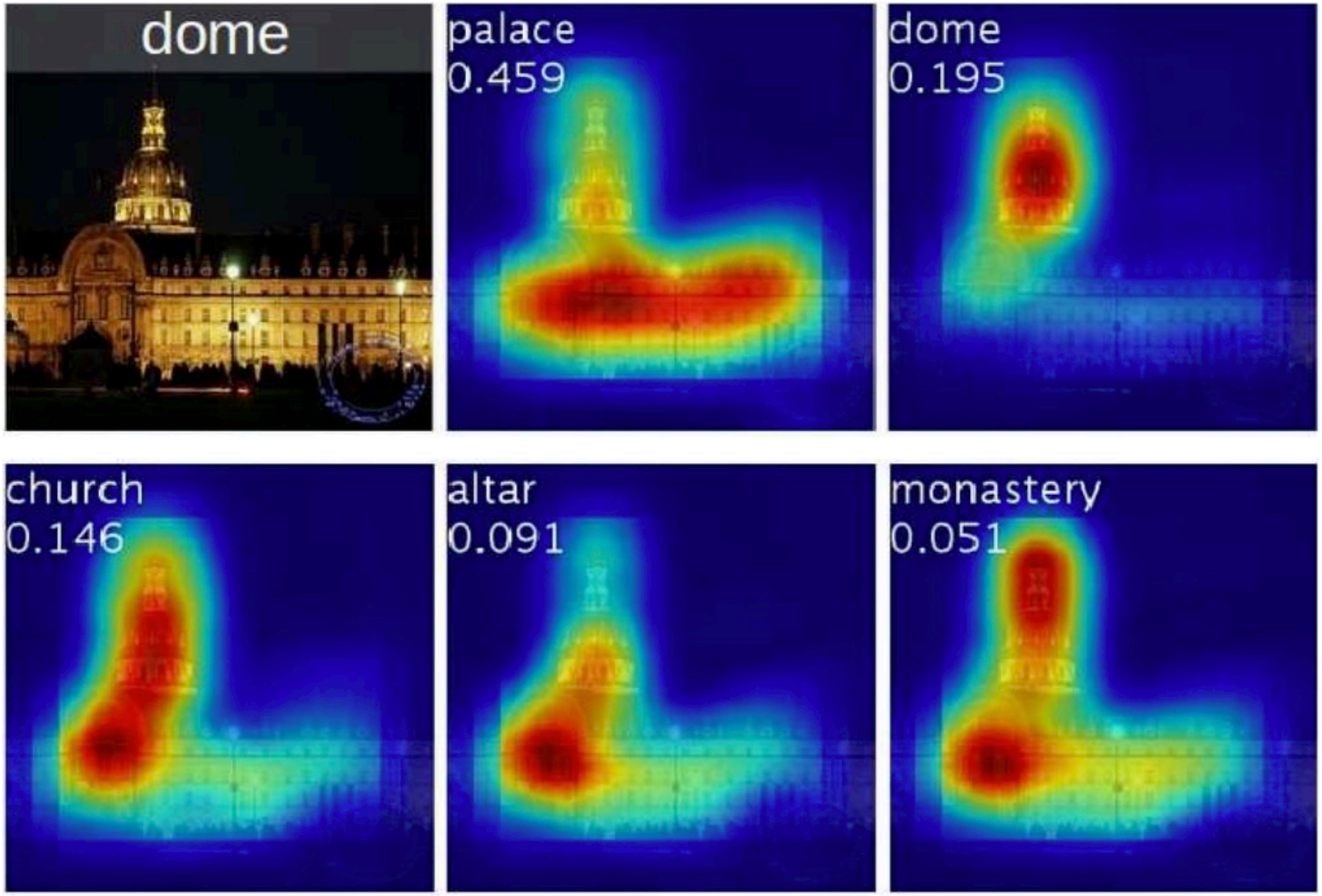

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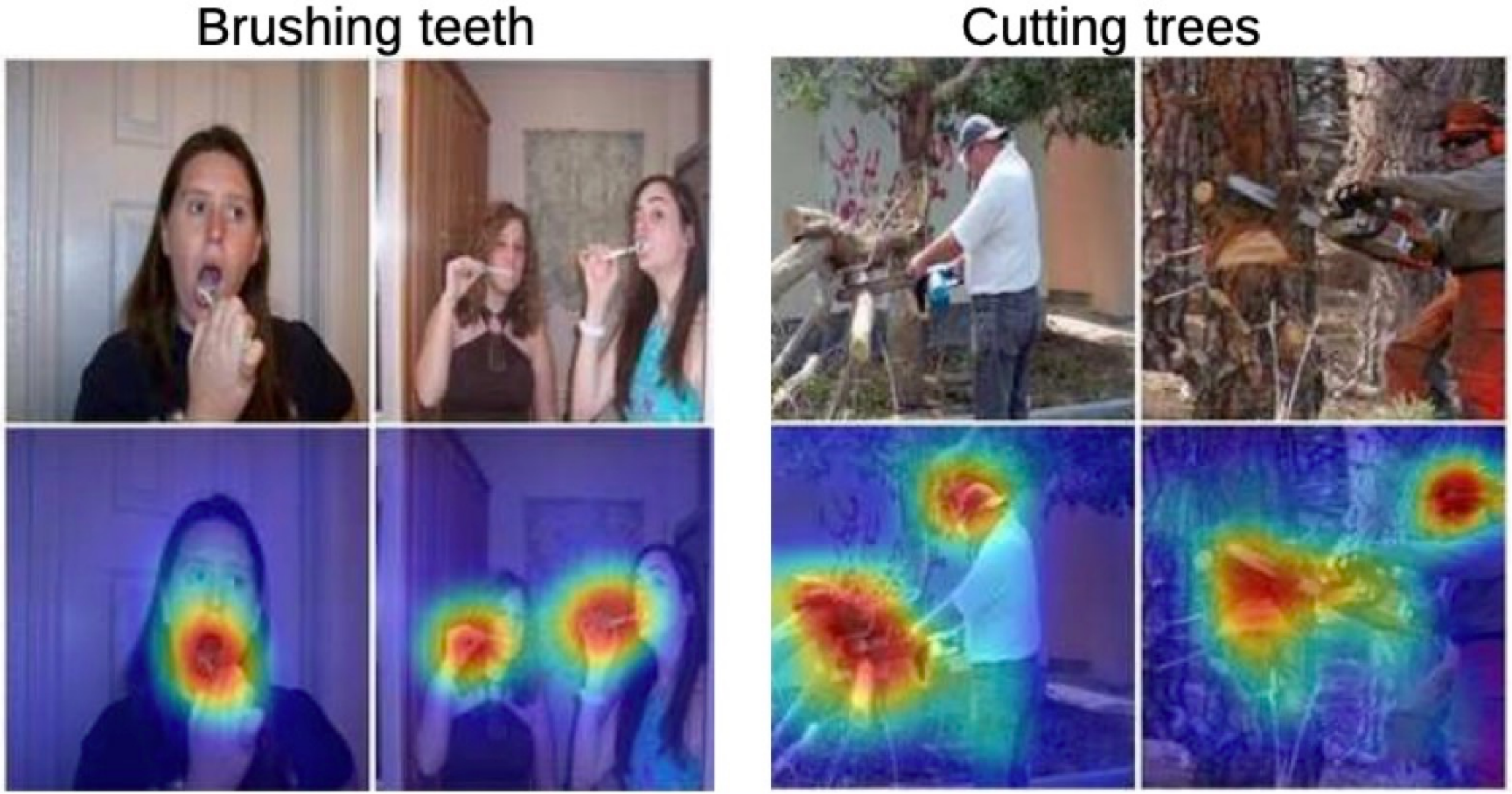

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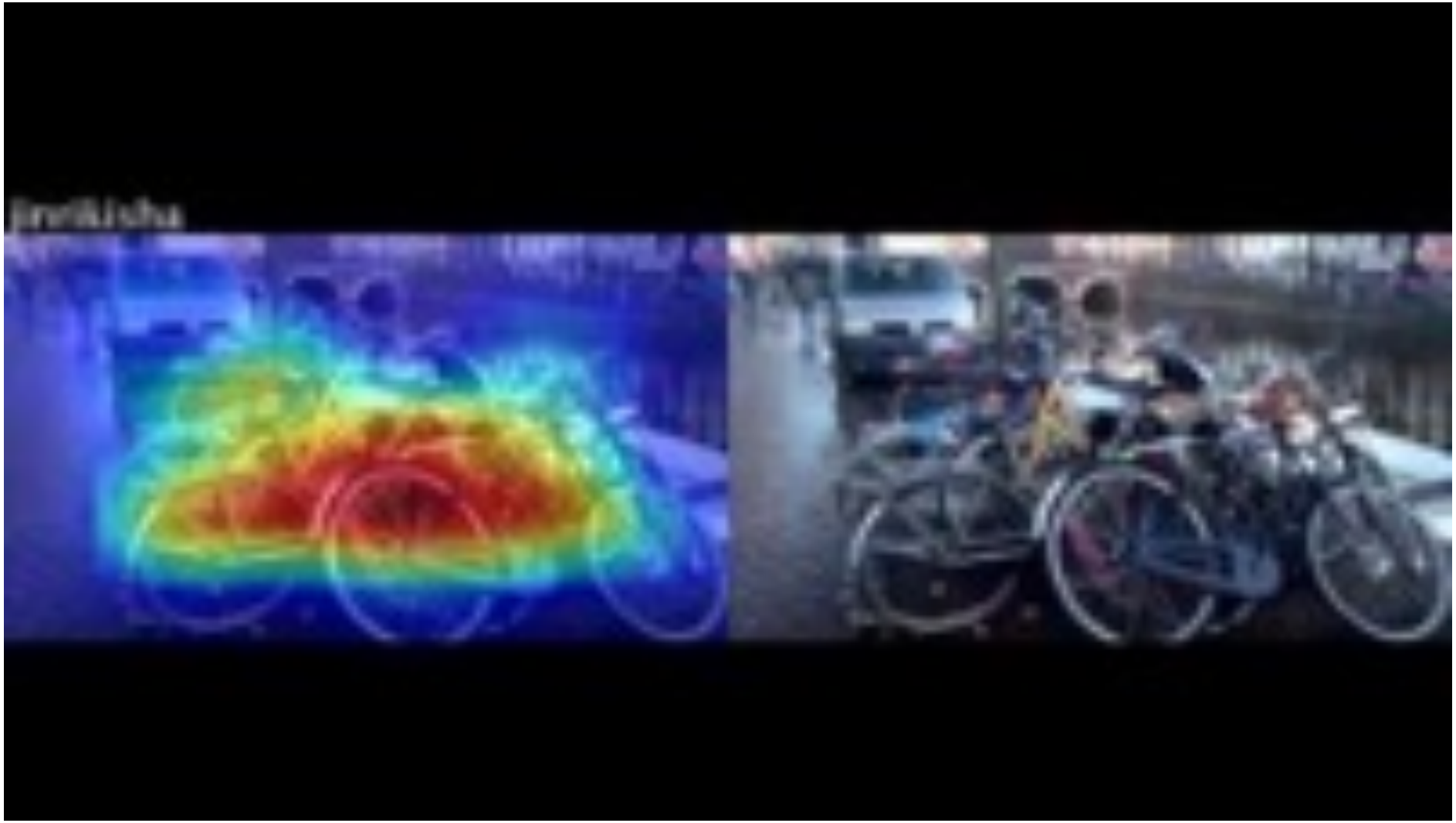


Visualization by maximizing activation

Visualization by optimization

- We can synthesize images that maximize activation of a given neuron.

- Find image x maximizing target activation $f(x)$ subject to *natural image regularization penalty* $R(x)$:

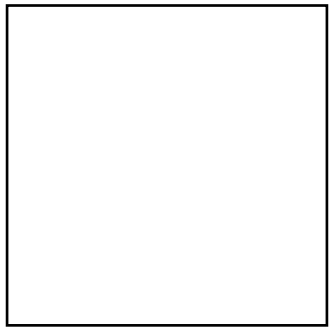
$$x^* = \arg\max_x f(x) - \lambda R(x)$$

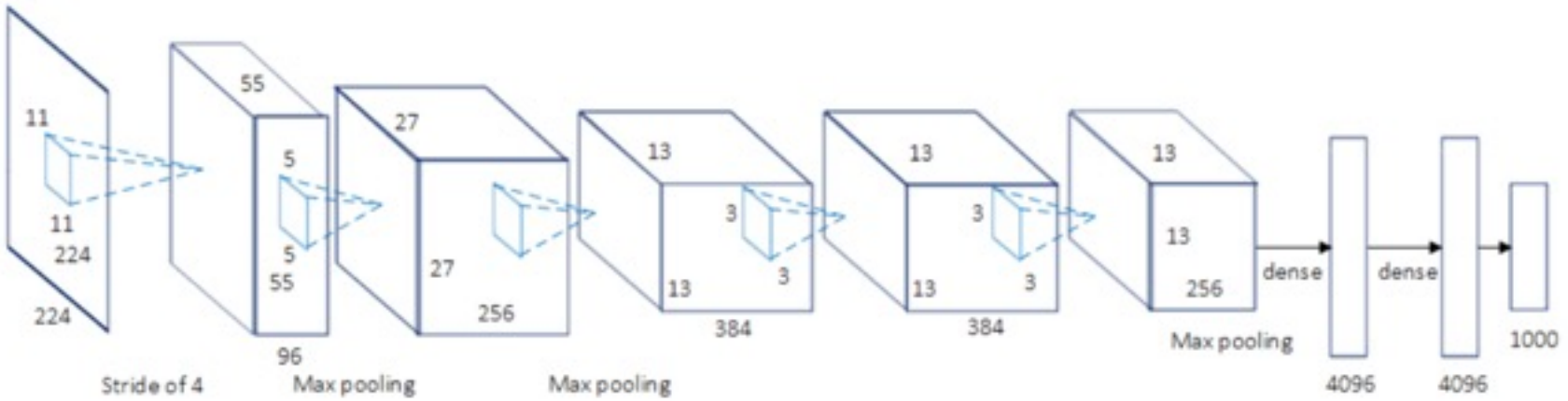
Visualization by optimization

- Maximize $f(x) - \lambda R(x)$
  - $f(x)$ is score for a category *before softmax*
  - $R(x)$ is L2 regularization
  - Perform *gradient ascent* starting with zero image, add dataset mean to result

Simonyan et al. 2014

Visualization by optimization





Compute the Loss

BP the gradients, but do not train the network

Keep adding/aggregating the gradients under constraint $R(x)$

Visualization by optimization

- Alternative approach to regularization:
  at each step of gradient ascent, apply operator r that regularizes the image:

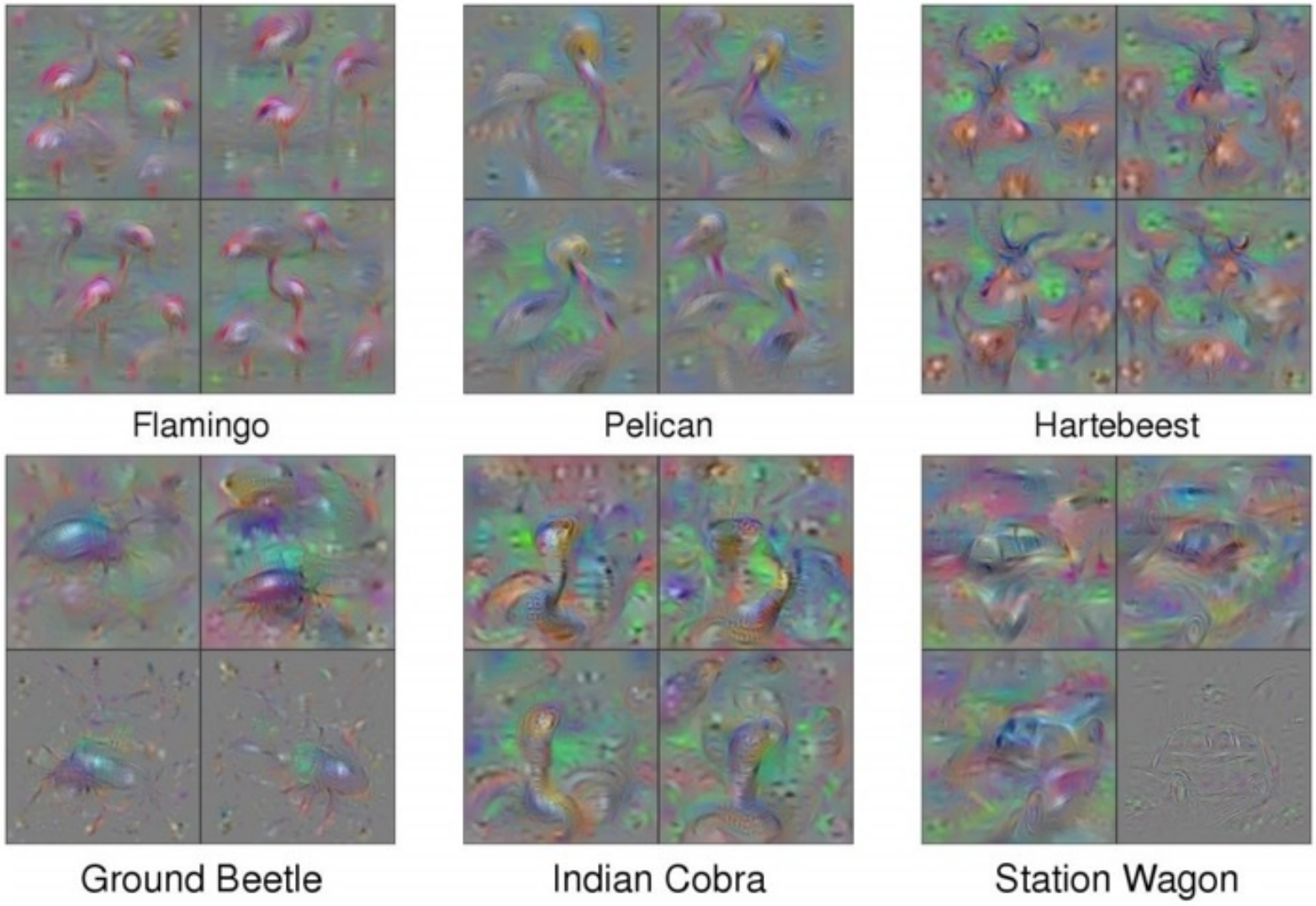
$$x \leftarrow r\left(x + \eta \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)$$

- For example, we can regularize using L2 decay:

$$r(x) = (1 - \theta) \cdot x$$

tends to prevent a small number of extreme pixel values from dominating the example image

Visualization by optimization



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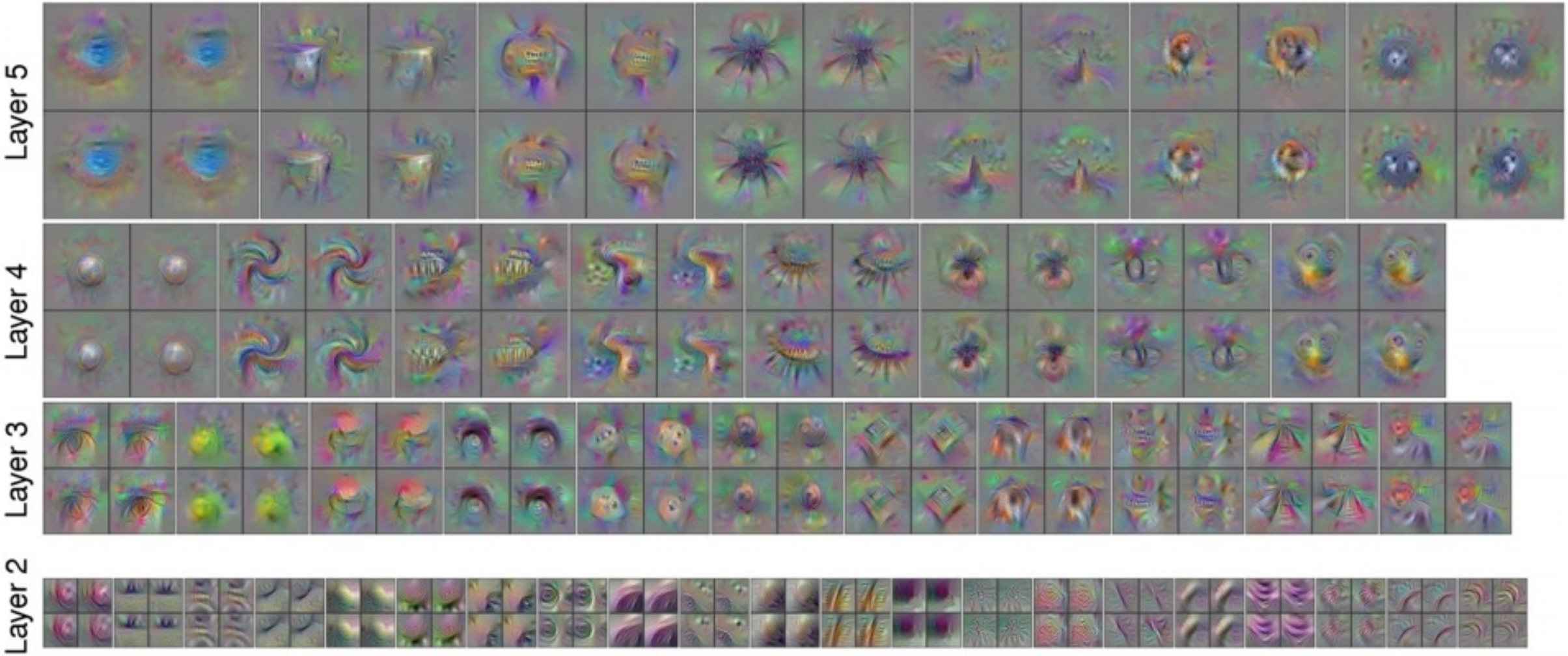
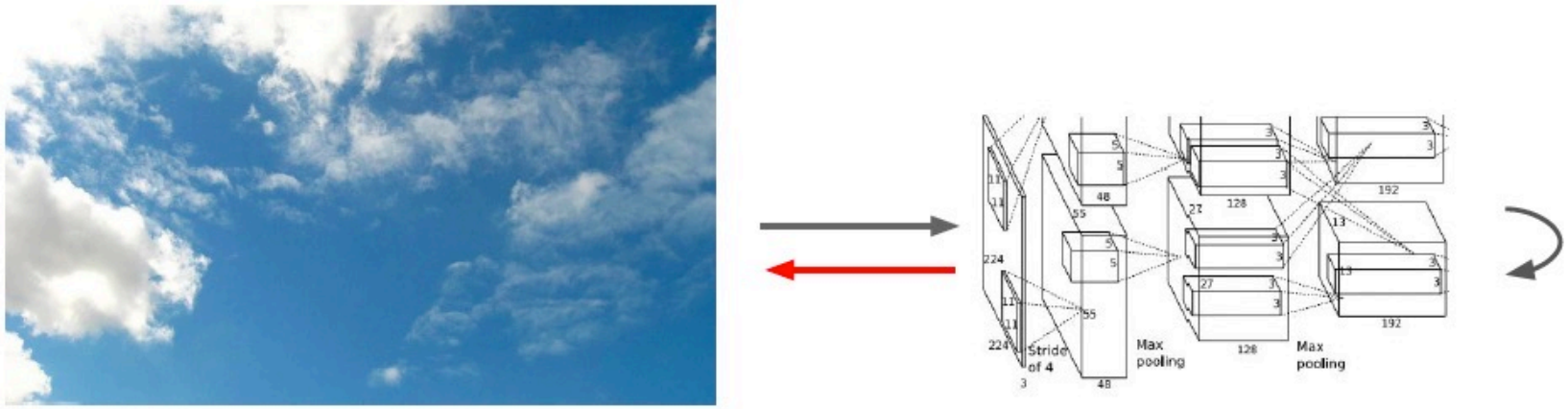


Google DeepDream

Amplify one **layer** instead of just one neuron.



Choose an image and a layer in a CNN; repeat:

1. Forward: compute activations at chosen layer
2. Set gradient of chosen layer *equal to its activation*
   Equivalent to maximizing $\sum_i f_i^2(x)$
3. Backward: Compute gradient w.r.t. image
4. Update image (with some tricks)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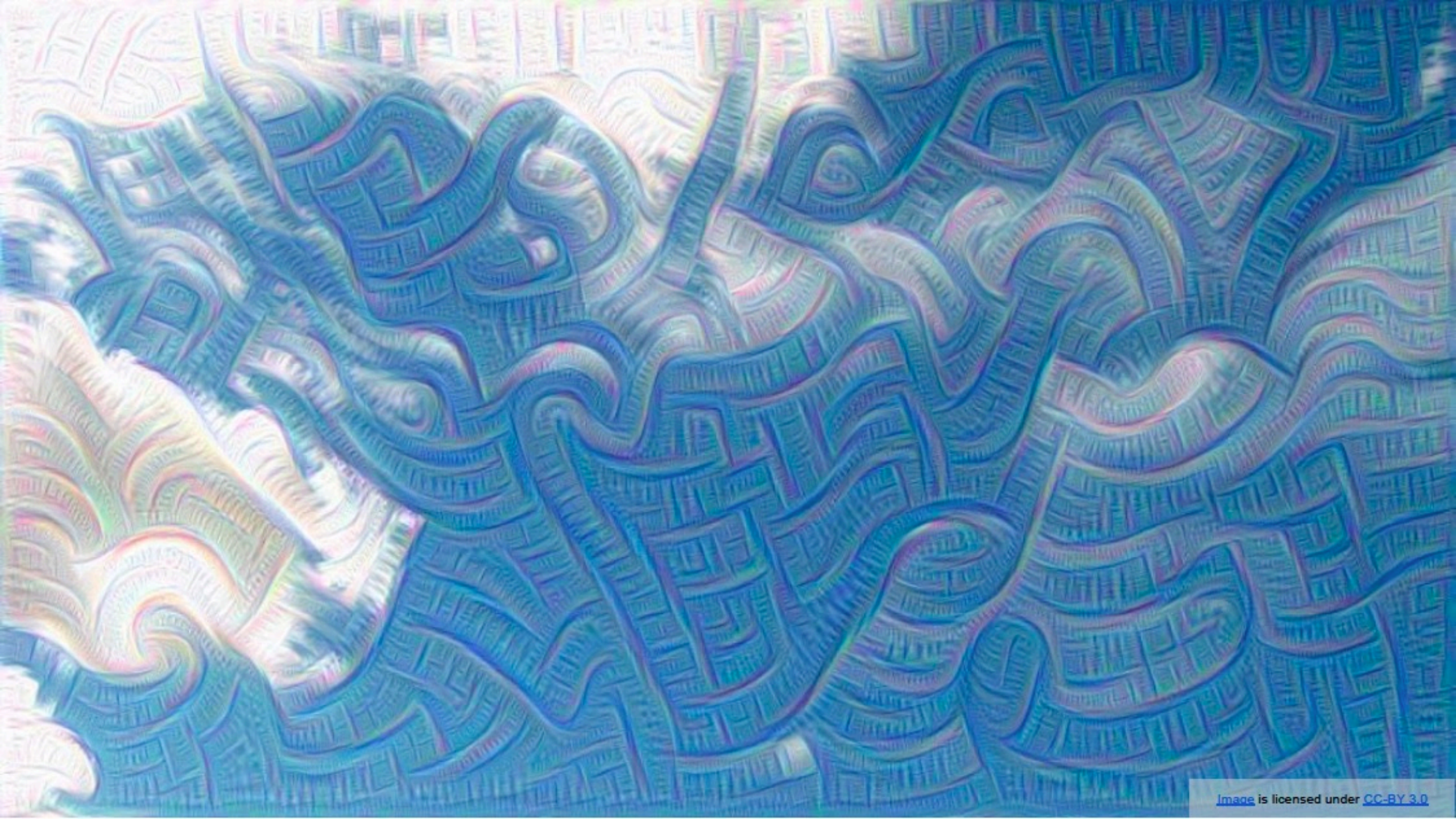

"Admiral Dog!"

"The Pig-Snail"

"The Camel-Bird"

"The Dog-Fish"


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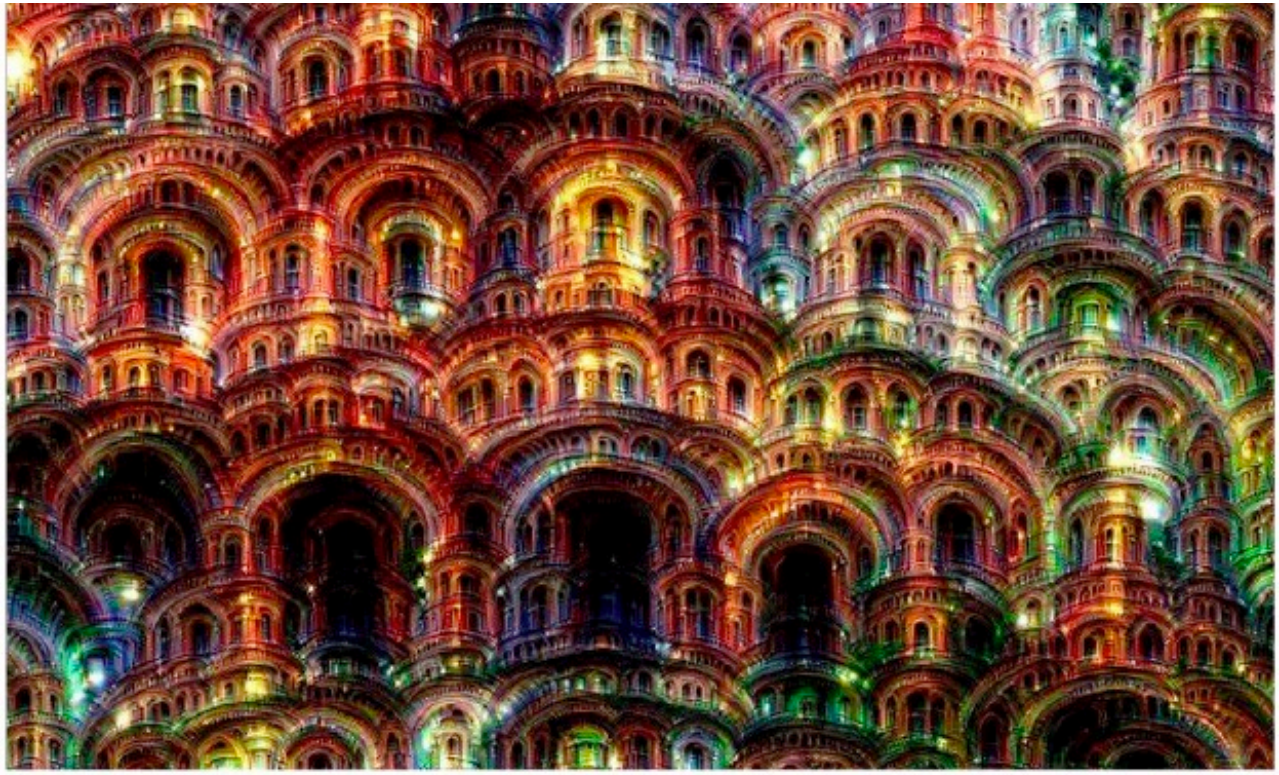
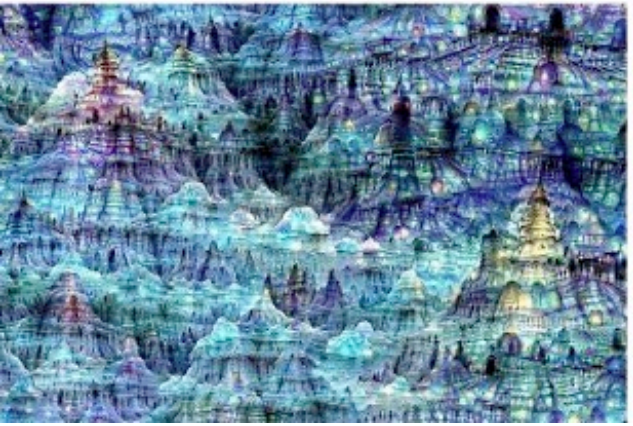
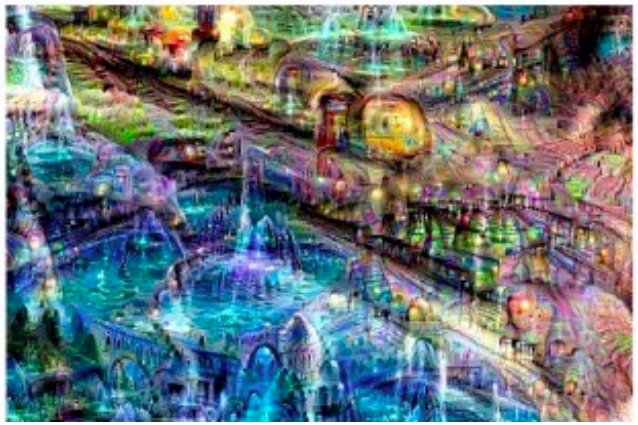
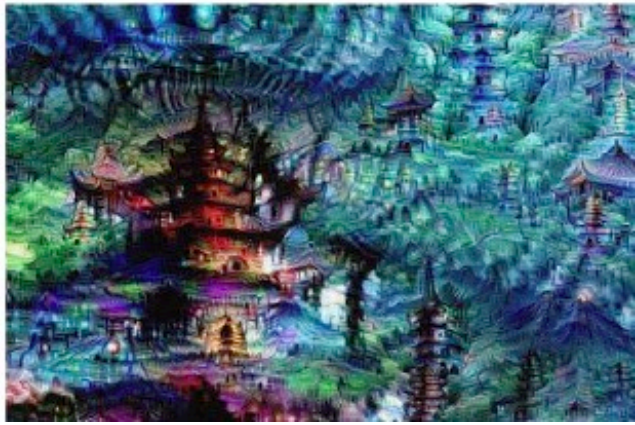
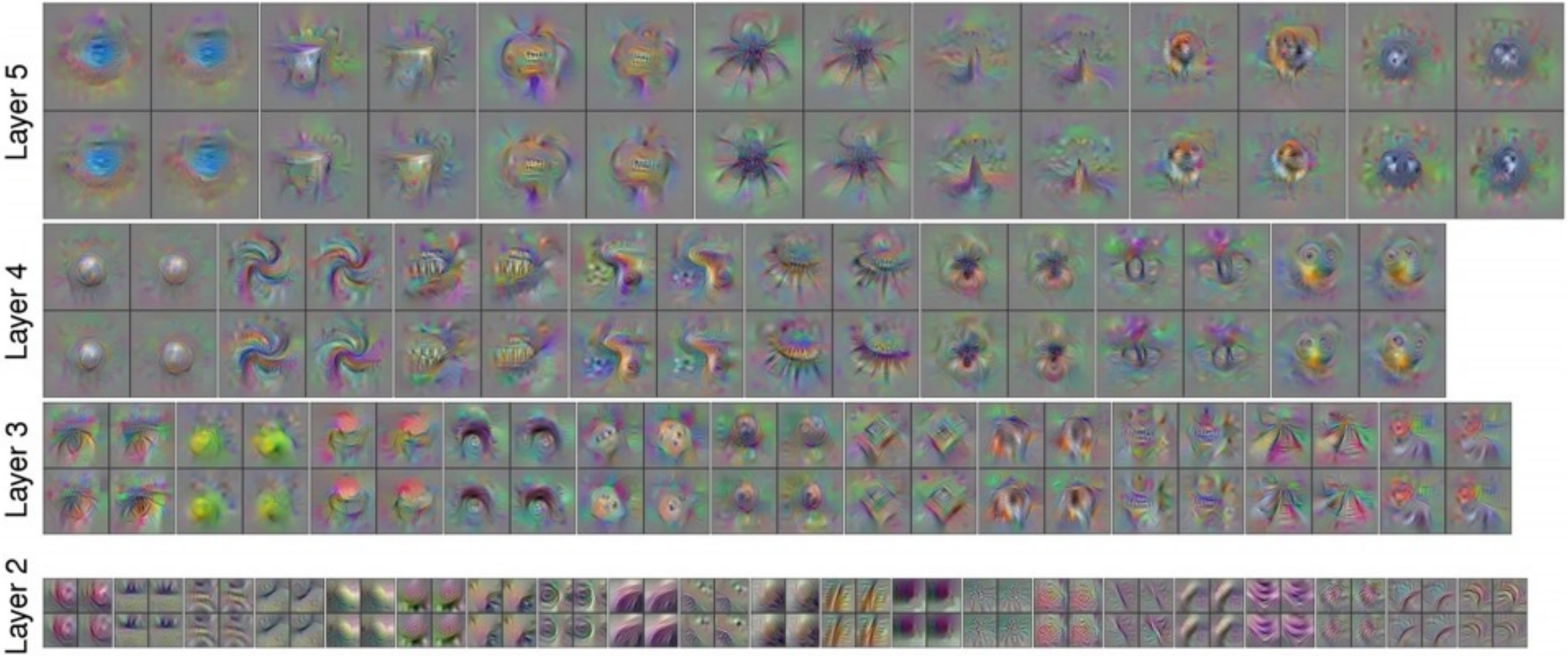






Quantification on the units

Quantifying interpretability of units



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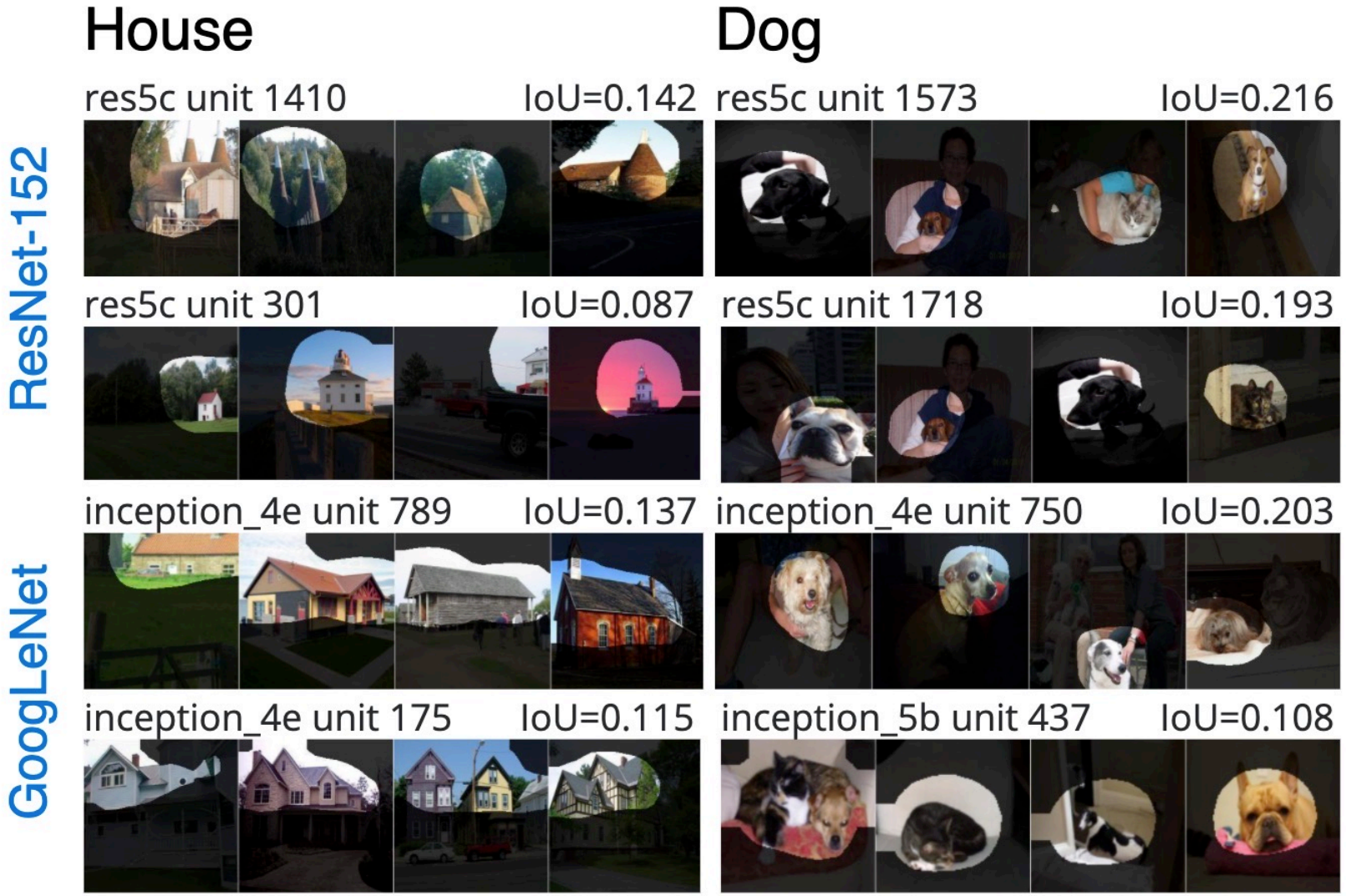

Quantifying interpretability of units

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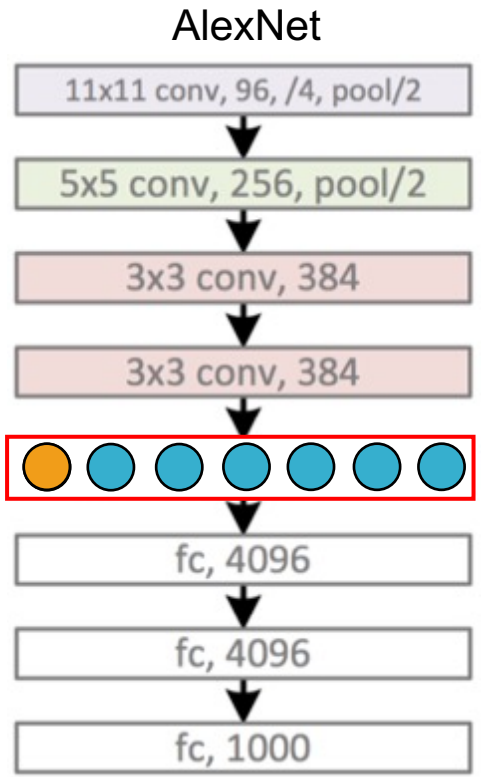

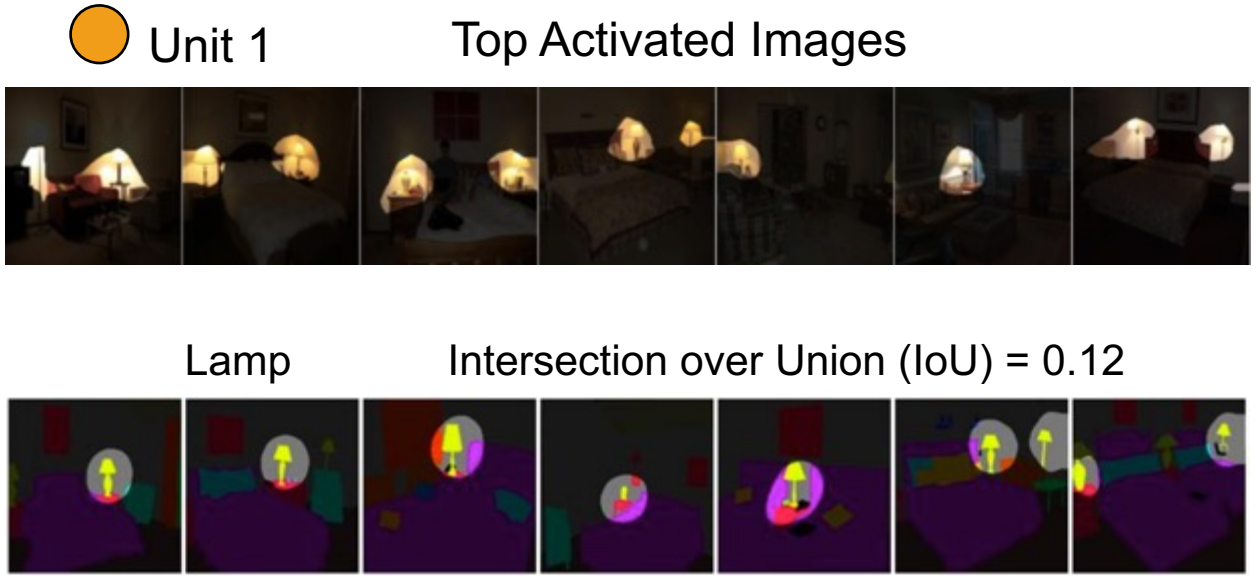

Bau et al., 2017

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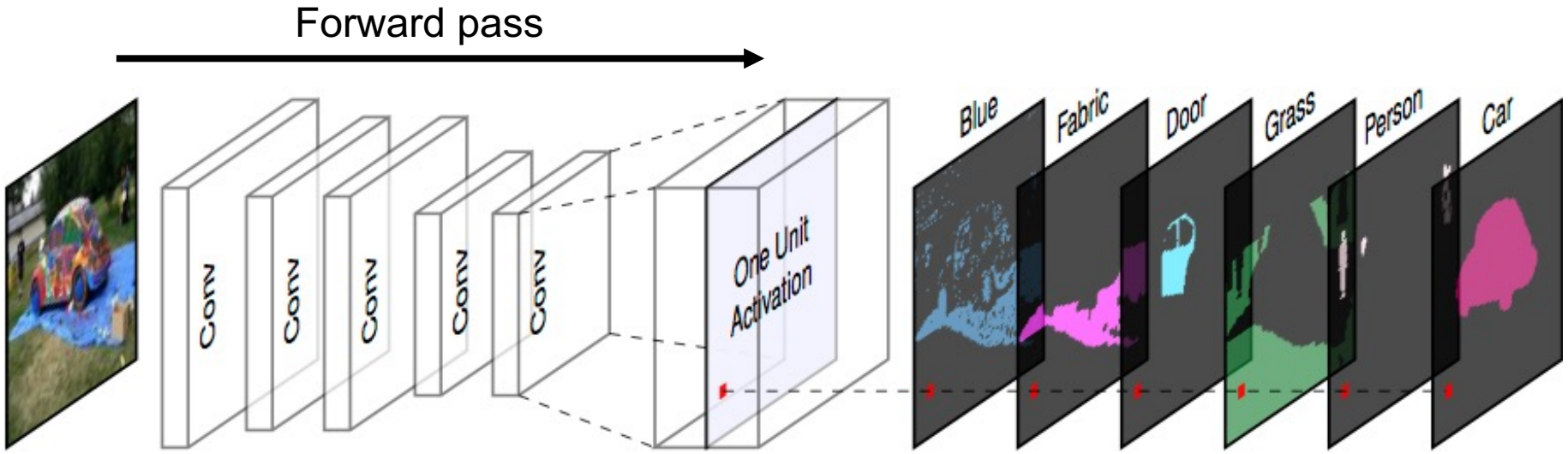
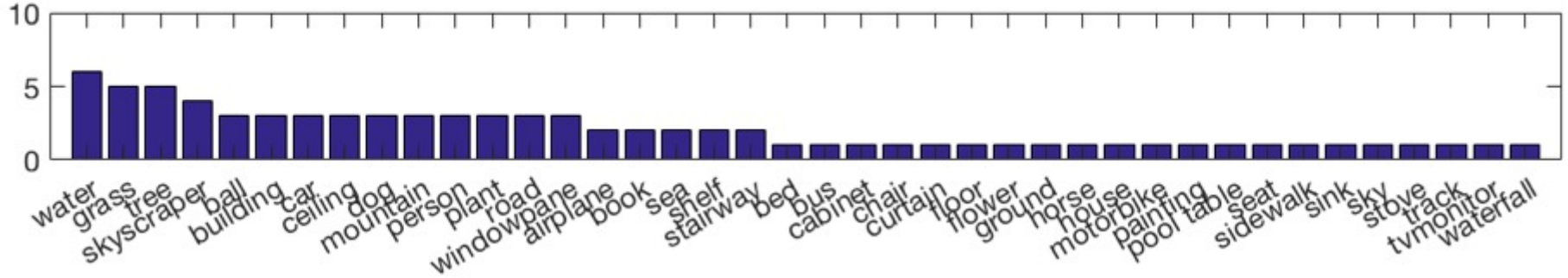


Network trained for image classification on ImageNet or Places

Dataset with semantic segmentations for ~1200 visual concepts

Quantifying interpretability of units

Histogram of object detectors for Places AlexNet conv5 units
81/256 units with IoU > 0.04



conv5 unit 79 car (object) IoU=0.13

conv5 unit 107 road (object) IoU=0.15

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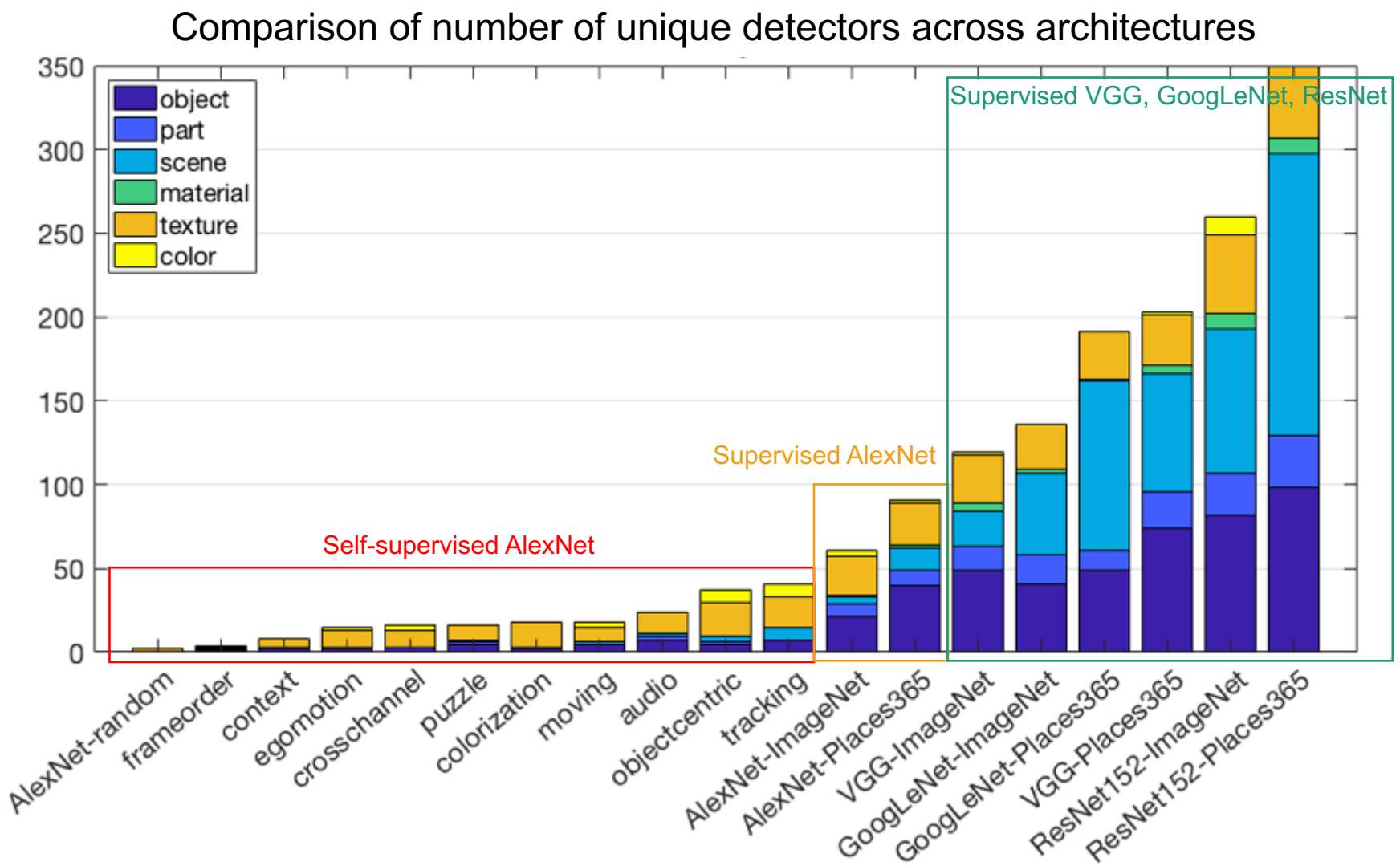
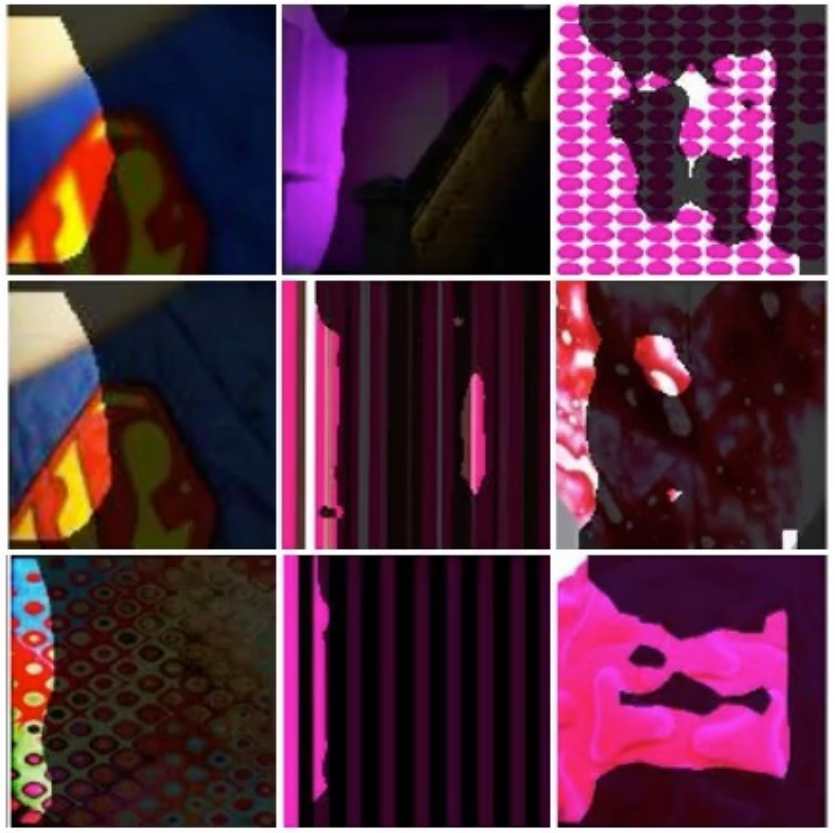
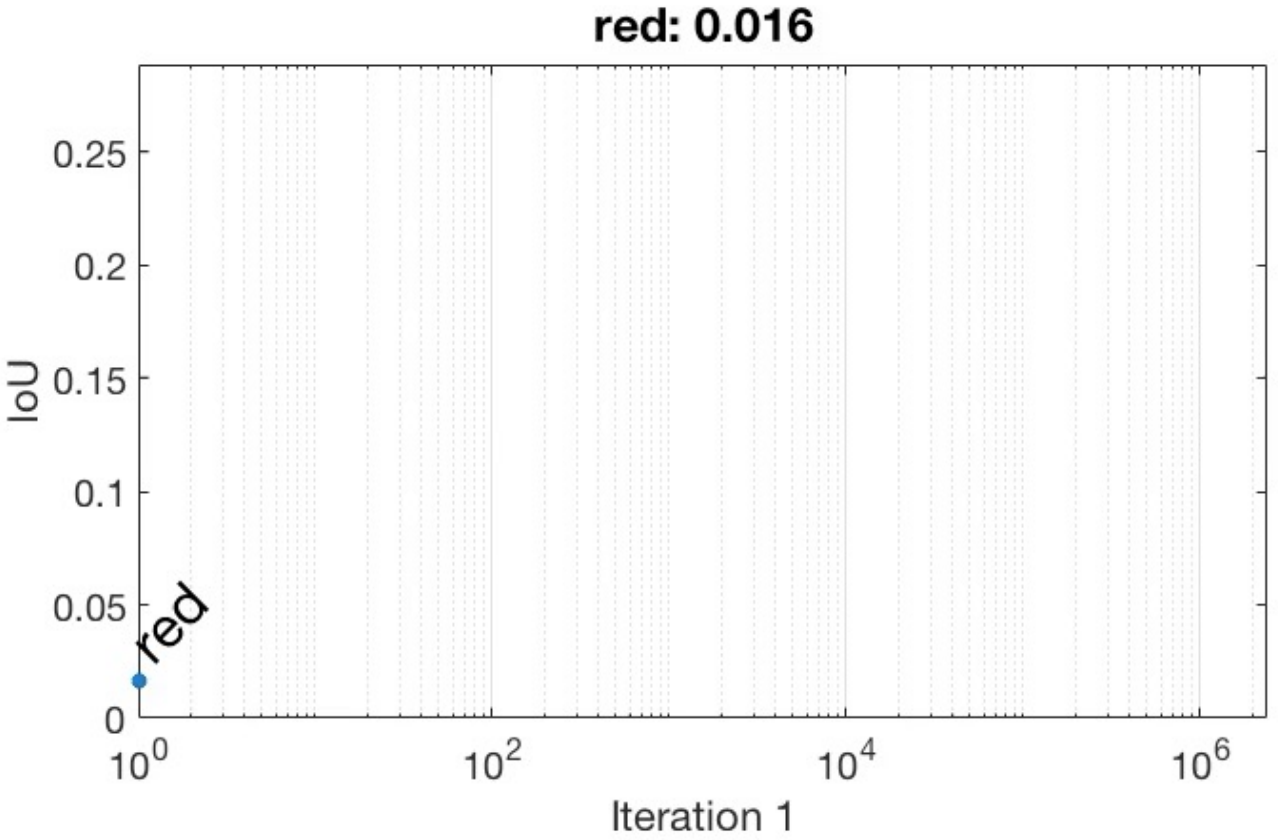


Change of Unit during Finetuning

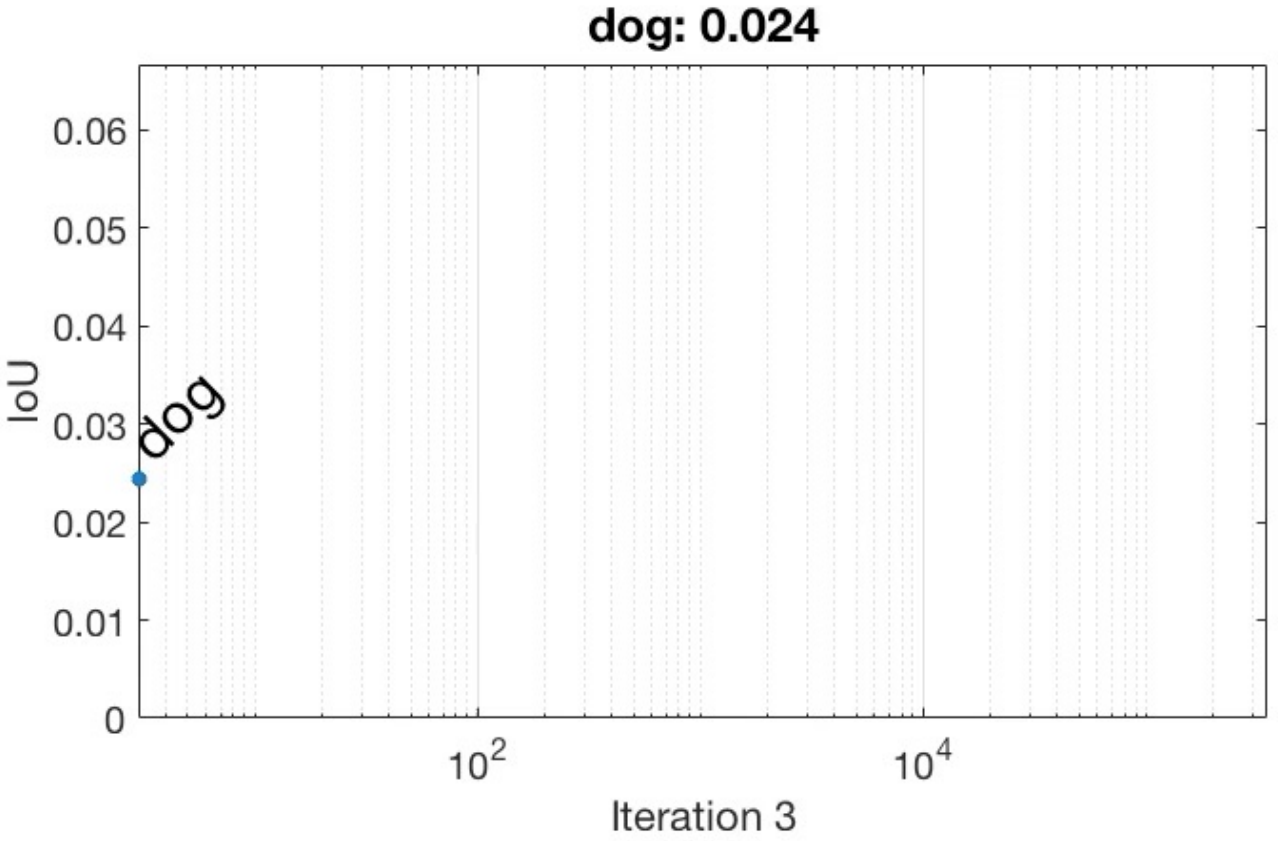
When learning from scratch, units change from detectors for low-level patterns or visually simple concepts such as "road" to detectors for more complex higher-level concepts such as "car".





Change of Unit during Finetuning

When fine-tuning a model to solve a new problems, internal units can change roles. This "dog" detector becomse a "waterfall" detector when retrained from object to scene classification.



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