



Deep Learning Limitations and New Frontiers

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6.S191 Introduction to Deep Learning

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T-shirts! Today!



Lecture Schedule



Intro to Deep Learning

Lecture 1

Jan. 24, 2022

[Slides] [Video] coming soon!



Deep Computer Vision

Lecture 3

Jan. 25, 2022

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Deep Reinforcement Learning

Lecture 5

Jan. 26, 2022

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Autonomous Driving with LiDAR

Lecture 7

Jan. 27, 2022

[Info] [Slides] [Video] coming soon!



Guest Lecture

Lecture 9

Jan. 28, 2022

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Deep Sequence Modeling

Lecture 2

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Deep Generative Modeling

Lecture 4

Jan. 25, 2022

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Limitations and New Frontiers

Lecture 6

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Uncertainty in Deep Learning

Lecture 8

Jan. 27, 2022

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Speech Recognition

Lecture 10

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Intro to TensorFlow; Music Generation

Software Lab 1

[Code] coming soon!



De-biasing Facial Recognition Systems

Software Lab 2

[Paper] [Code] coming soon!



Learning End-to-End Self-Driving Control

Software Lab 3

[Code] coming soon!



Final Project

Work on final projects



Project Competition

Project pitches and final awards!



- Lab submission: 1/27/22
- Paper review: 1/28/22
- Final projects: 1/28/22

Labs and Prizes

Lab 1: Music Generation



Beats Headphones

Lab 2: Computer Vision



24" HD Display Monitor

Lab 3: Reinforcement Learning



Quadcopter Drone



+ Deploy your model on a real self-driving car



Lab submission: 1/27/22

Final Class Project

Option 1: Proposal Presentation

- At least 1 registered student to be prize eligible
- Present a novel deep learning research idea or application
- 3 minutes (strict)
- Presentations on **Friday, Jan 28**
- Submit groups by **Wed 1/26 11:59pm ET** to be eligible
- Submit slides by **Thu 1/27 11:59pm ET** to be eligible
- Instructions: bit.ly/3qOOEuG

- Judged by a panel of judges
- Top winners are awarded:



NVIDIA 3080 GPU



4x Smartwatches



3x Display Monitors

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Option 2: Write a 1-page review of a deep learning paper

- Grade is based on clarity of writing and technical communication of main ideas
- Due Fri Jan 28 3:59pm ET

Up Next: Guest Lectures



Omer Keilaf
Amir Day
Innoviz



Jasper Snoek
Google



Anima Anandkumar
NVIDIA
Caltech



Miguel Jette
Jenny Drexler
RevAI



So far in 6.S191...

The Rise of Deep Learning

'Deep Voice' Software Can Clone Anyone's Voice With Just 3.7 Seconds of Audio

Using snippets of voices, Baidu's 'Deep Voice' can generate new speech, accents, and tones.



DEEPMIND'S STARCRRAFT TRIUMPH

Let There Be Sight: How Deep Learning Is Helping the Blind 'See'



Technology outpacing security measures

By [Author Name] | [Date]

AI beats docs in cancer spotting

A new study provides a fresh example of machine learning as an important diagnostic tool, Paul Binger reports.

AI Can Help In Predicting Cryptocurrency Value



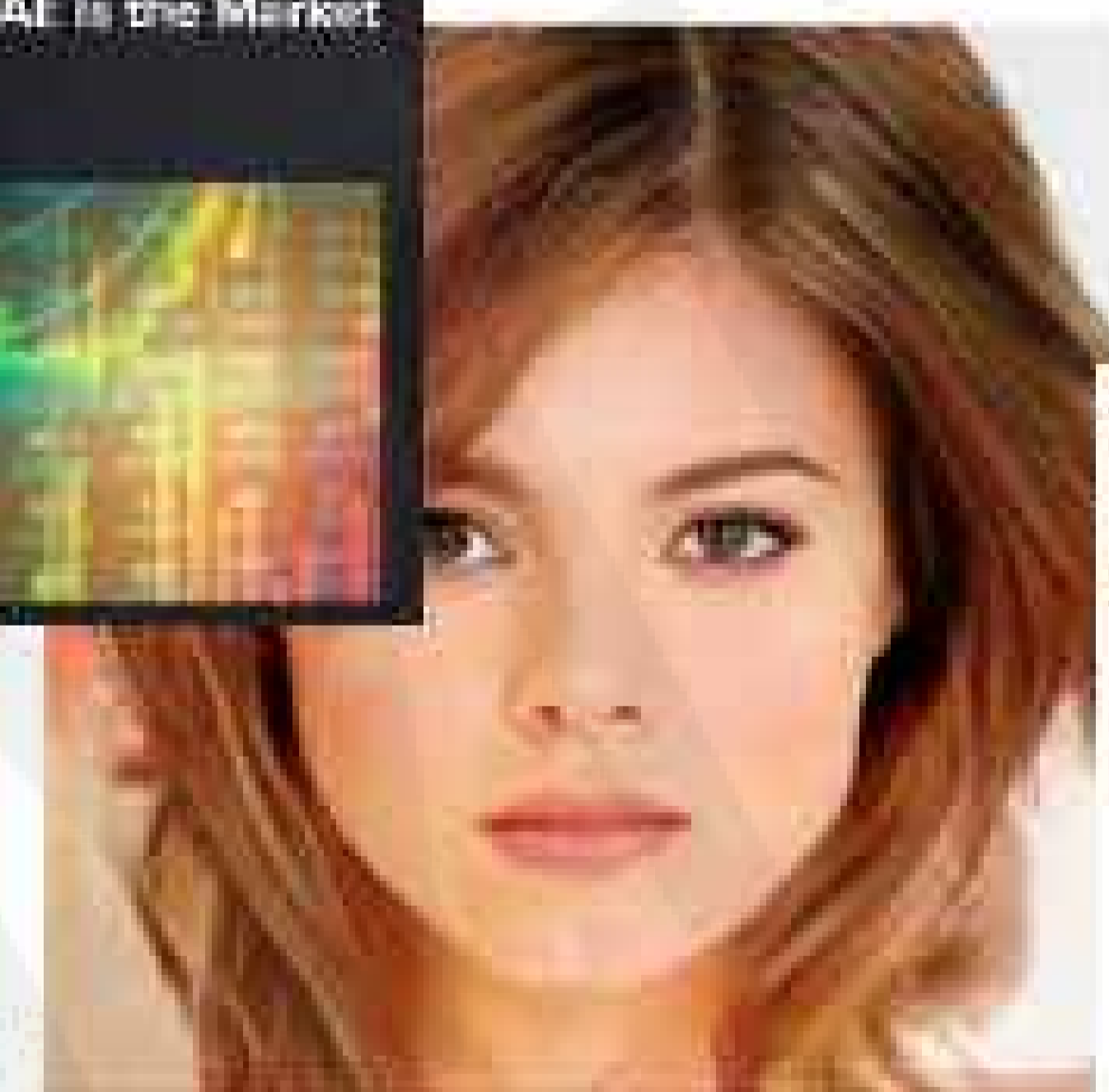
'Creative' AlphaZero leads way for chess computers and, maybe, science

Former chess world champion Garry Kasparov laments what he sees as a computer that could be used to find cures for diseases



How an A.I. 'Cat-and-Mouse Game' Generates Believable Fake Photos

By [Author Name] | [Date]



Stock Predictions Based On AI: Is the Market Truly Predictable?



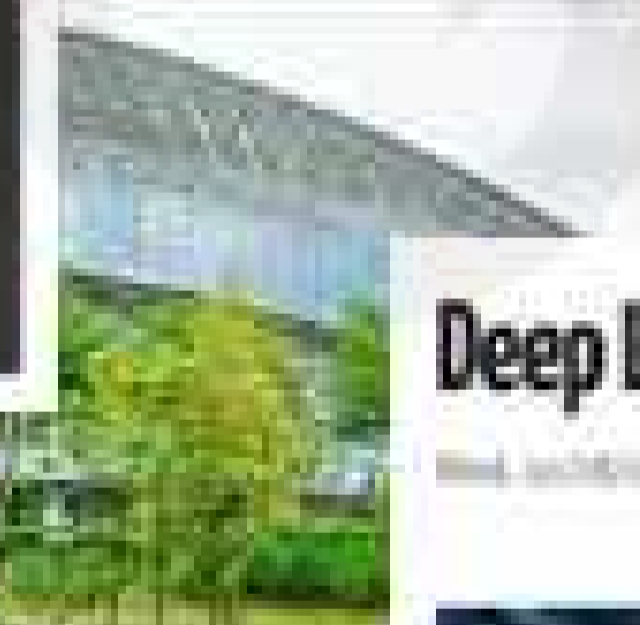
Google's DeepMind aces protein folding

By [Author Name] | [Date]

Complex of bacteria-infecting viral proteins studied in CASP 13. The complex could help us understand how viruses assemble themselves. [View on Science](#)



AI, Faked Data



Neural networks everywhere

New chip reduces neural networks' power consumption by up to 95 percent, making them practical for battery-powered devices.

Deep L

By [Author Name] | [Date]



After Millions of Trials, These Simulated Humans Learned to Do Perfect Backflips and Cartwheels

By [Author Name] | [Date]



Researchers introduce a deep learning method that converts mono audio recordings into 3D sounds using video scenes

By [Author Name] | [Date]

AI-generated faces show how far AI image generation has come in just four years

AI-generated faces are not just the product of machine learning



Automation And Algorithms: De-Risking Manufacturing With Artificial Intelligence



By [Author Name] | [Date]

The two key applications of AI in manufacturing are pricing and manufacturability feedback

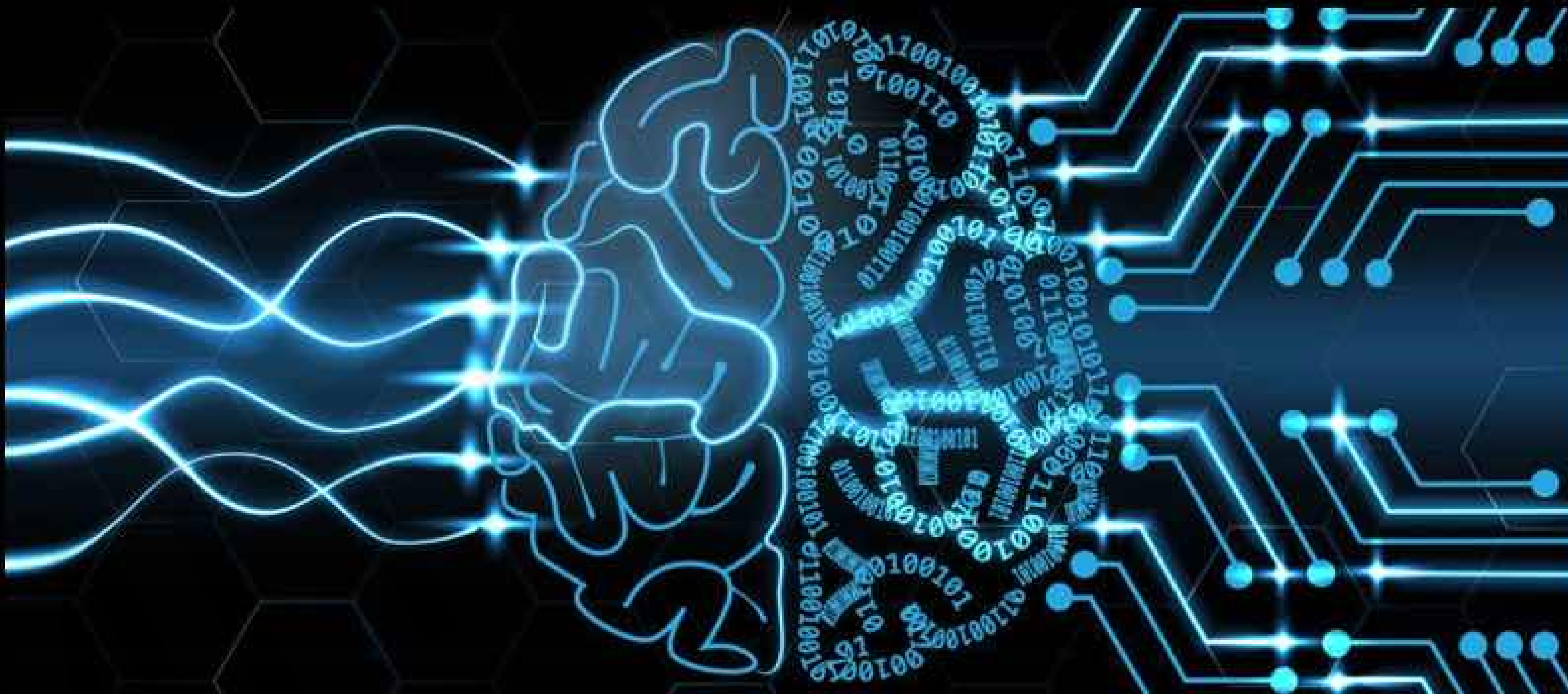
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Data

- Signals
- Images
- Sensors

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Decision

- Prediction
- Detection
- Action

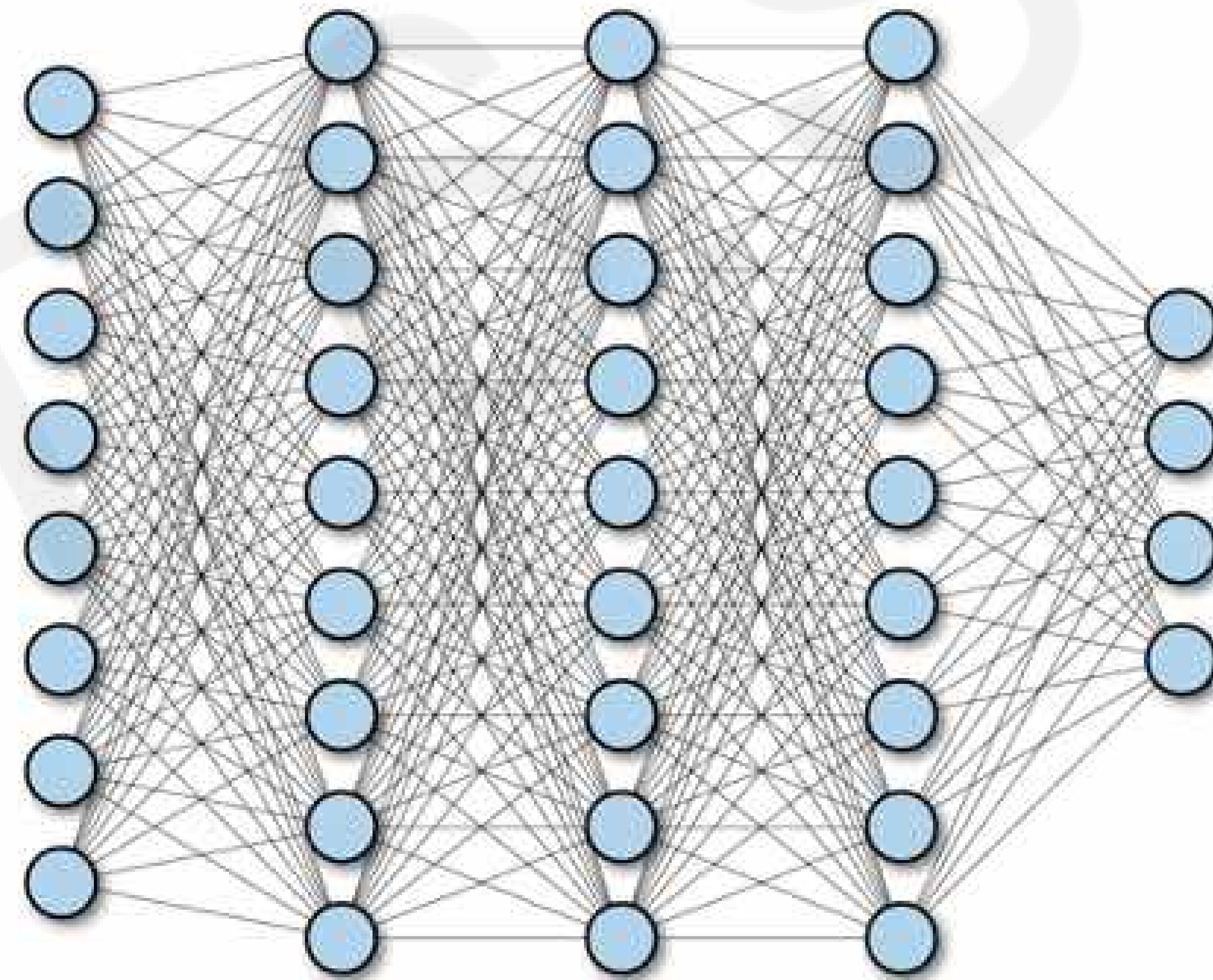
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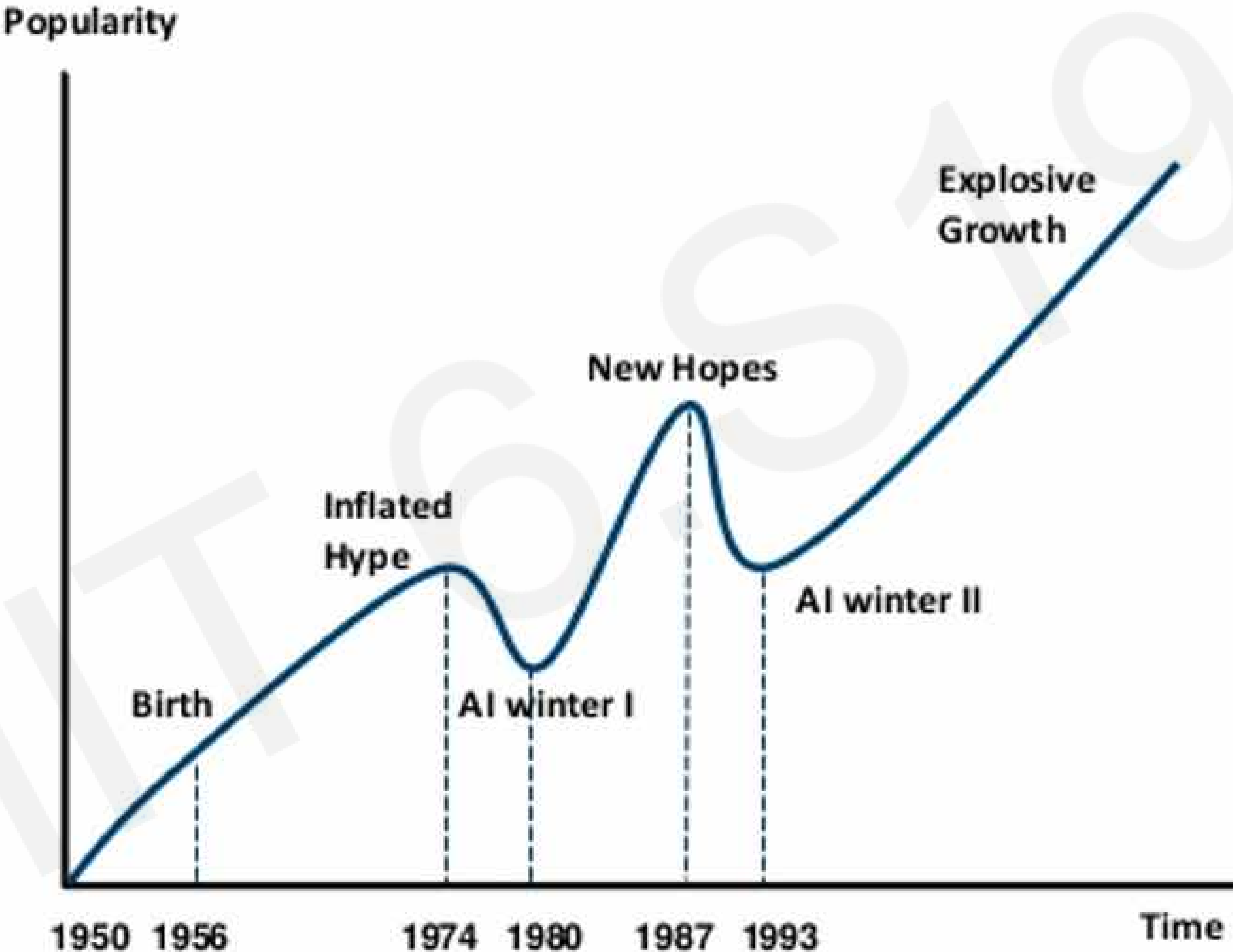
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Caveats:

The number of hidden units may be infeasibly large

The resulting model may not generalize

Artificial Intelligence “Hype”: Historical Perspective



Limitations

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“Understanding Deep Neural Networks Requires Rethinking Generalization”



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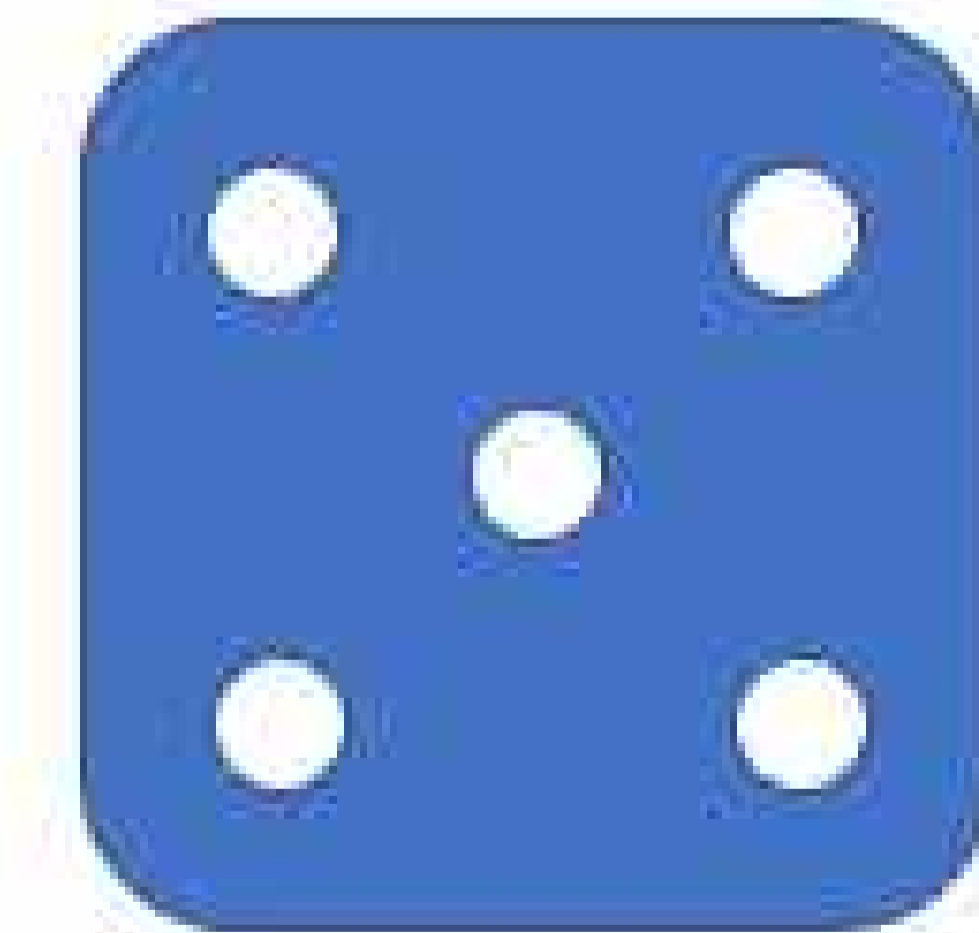
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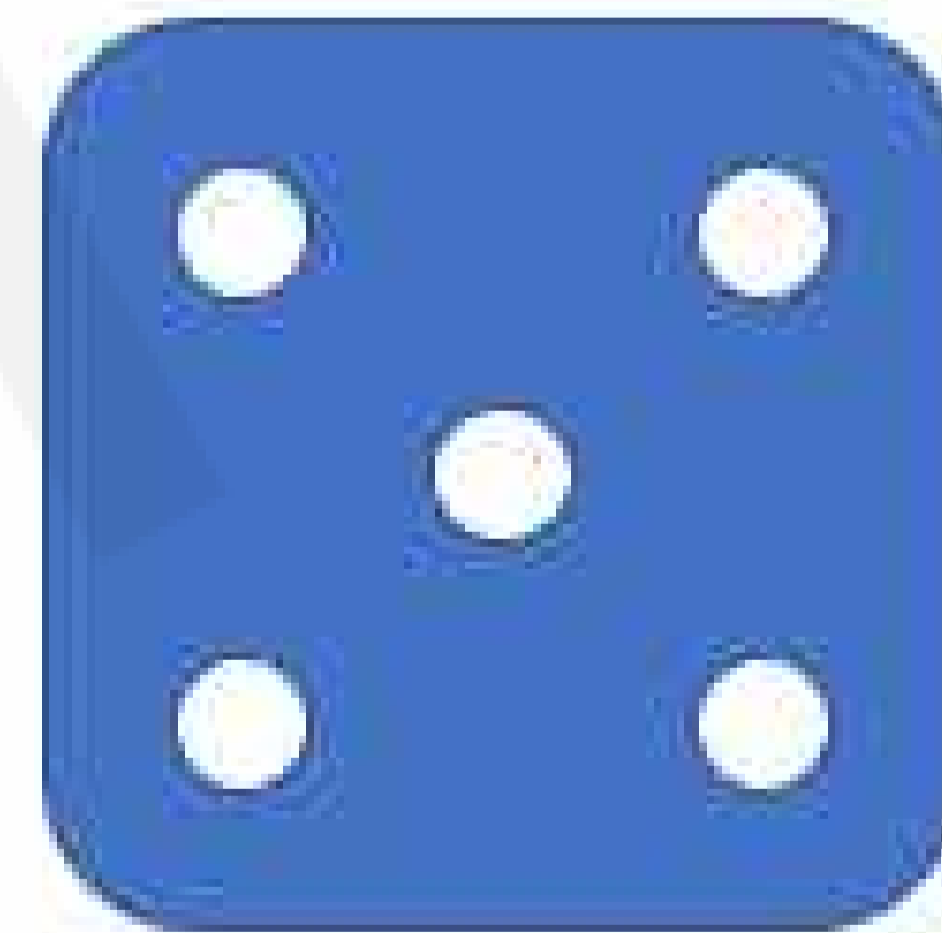
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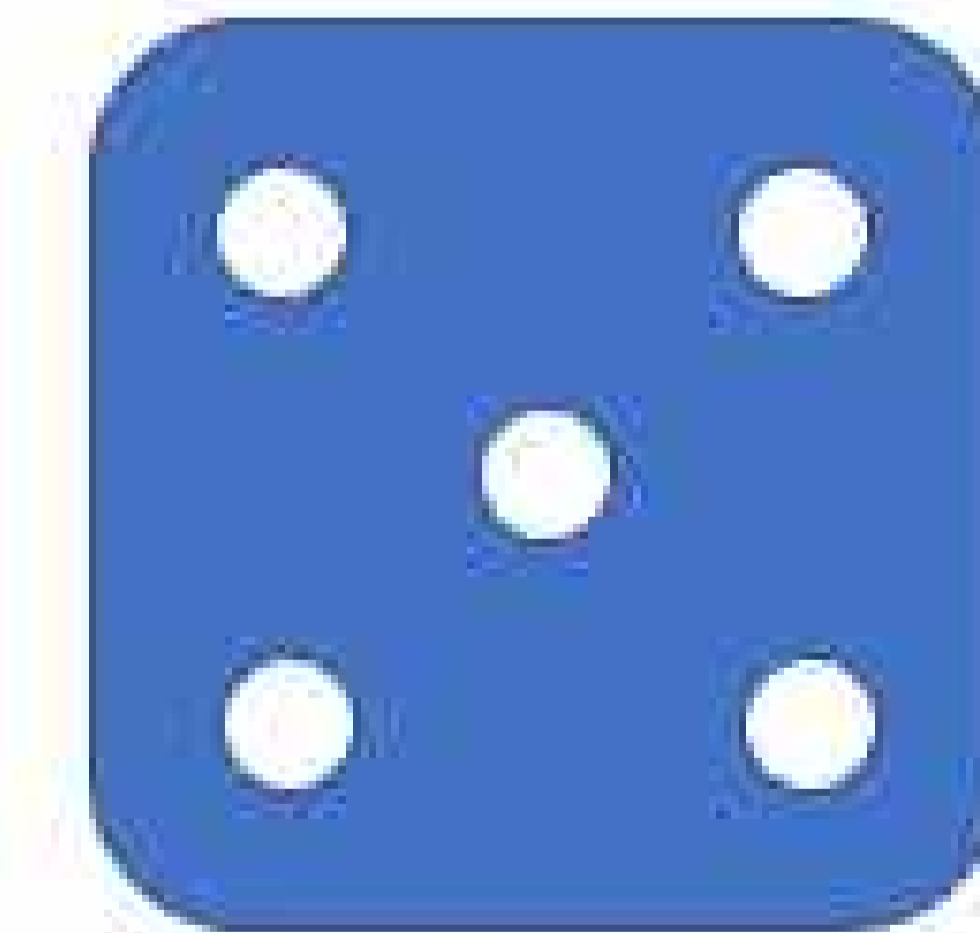
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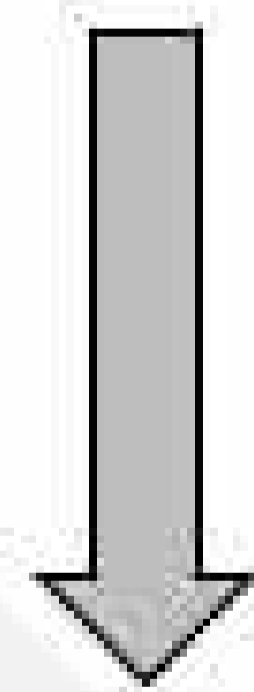
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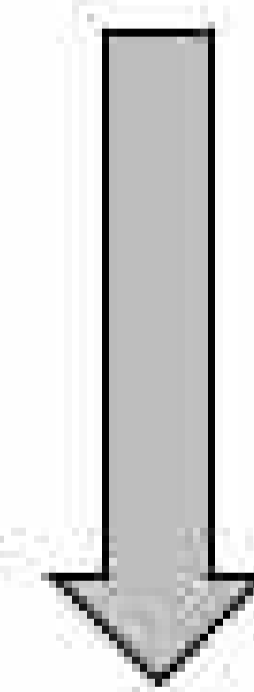
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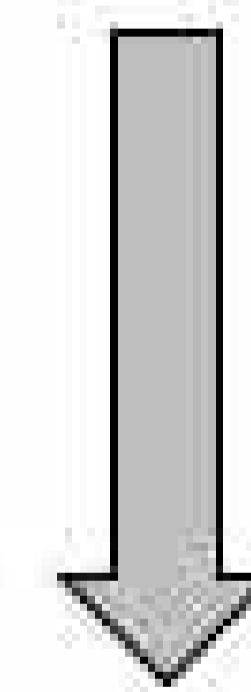
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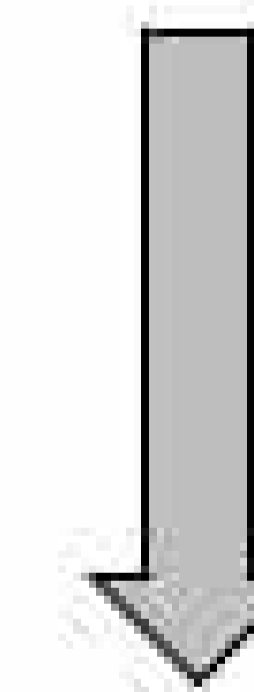
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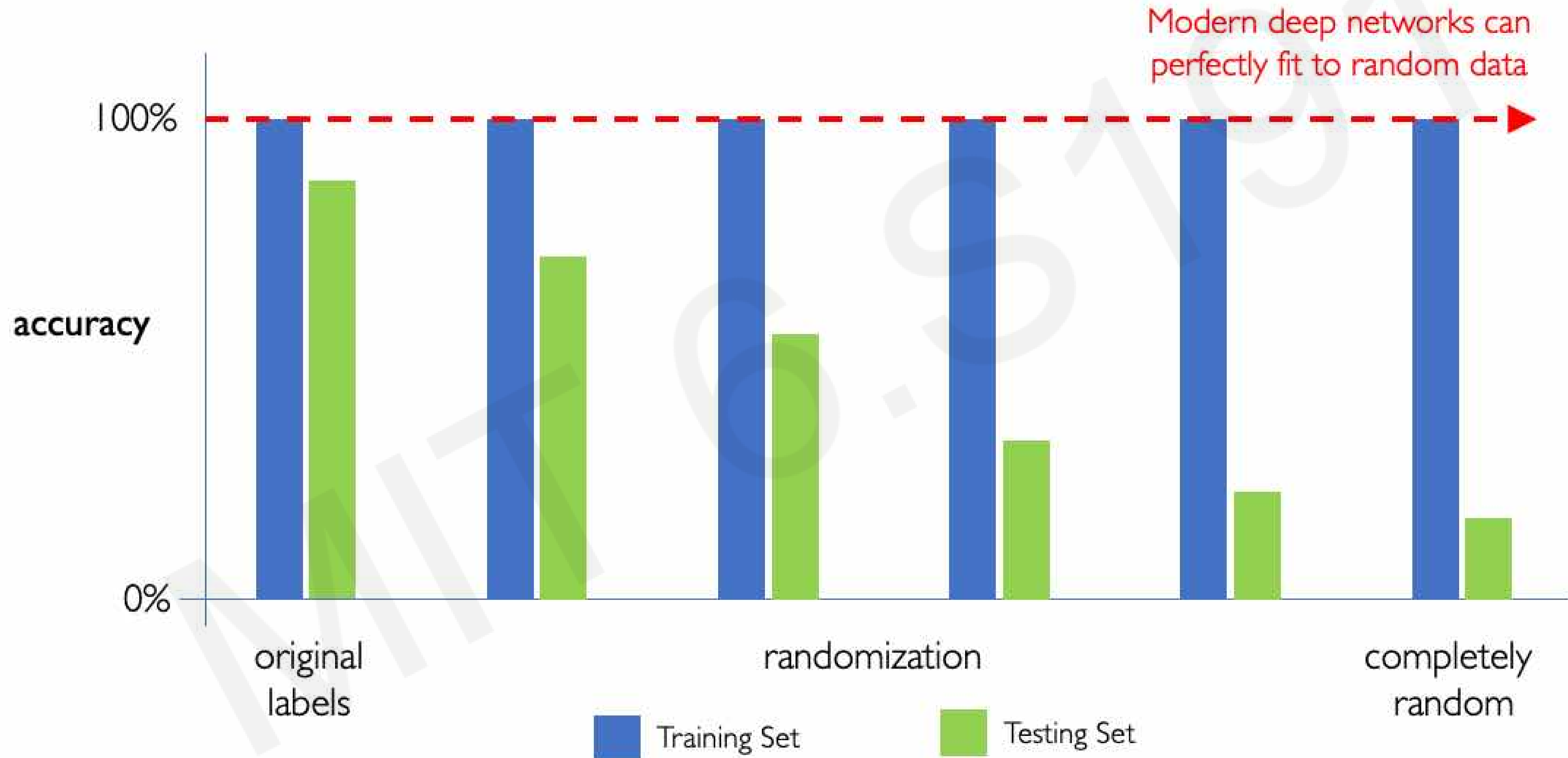
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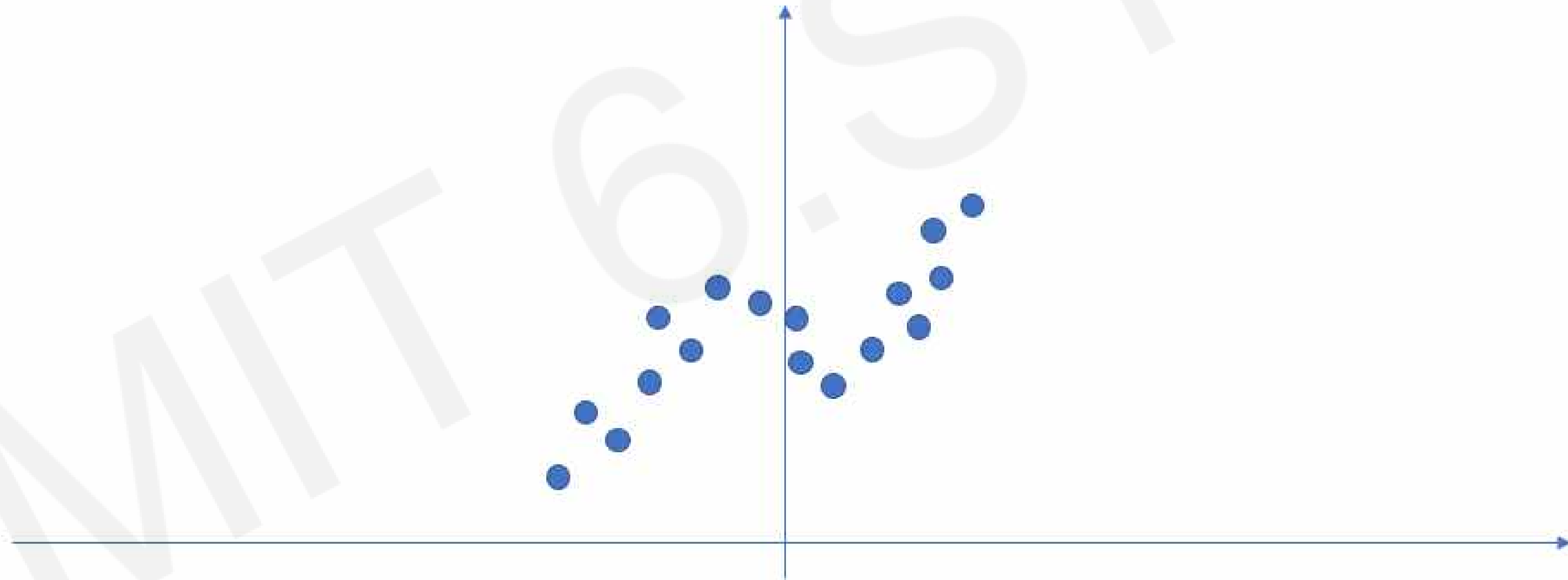


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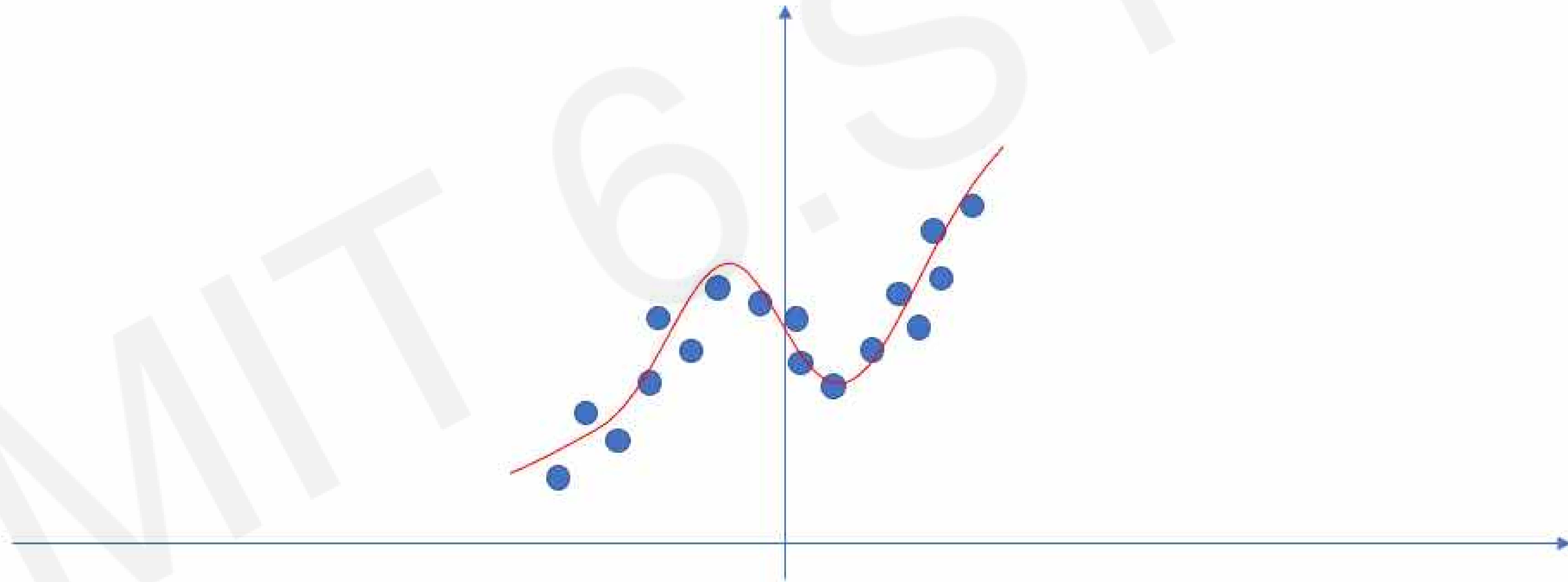
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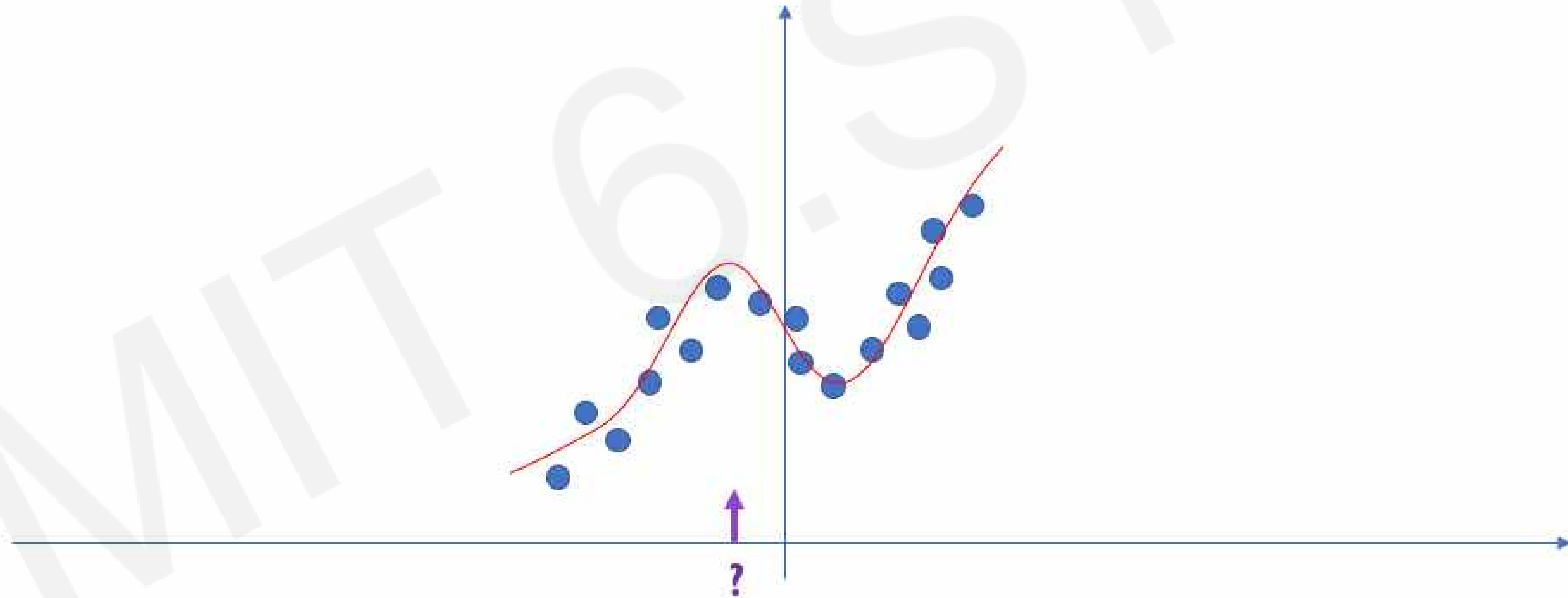
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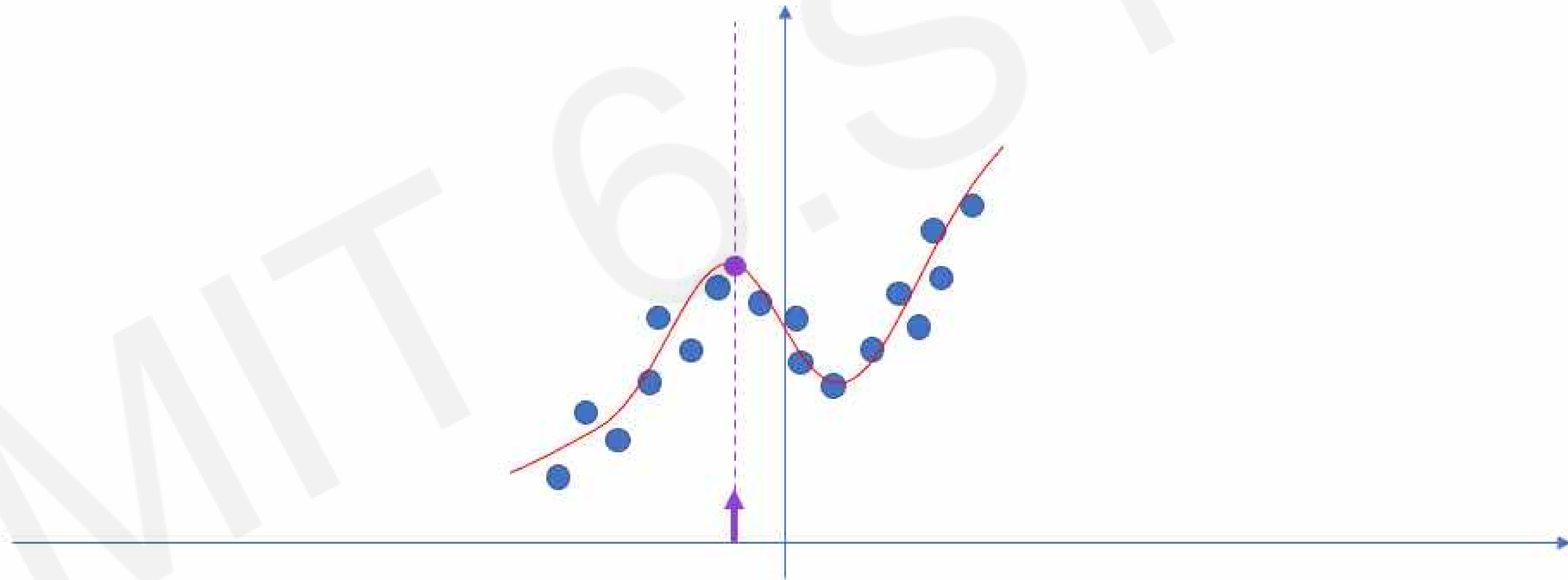
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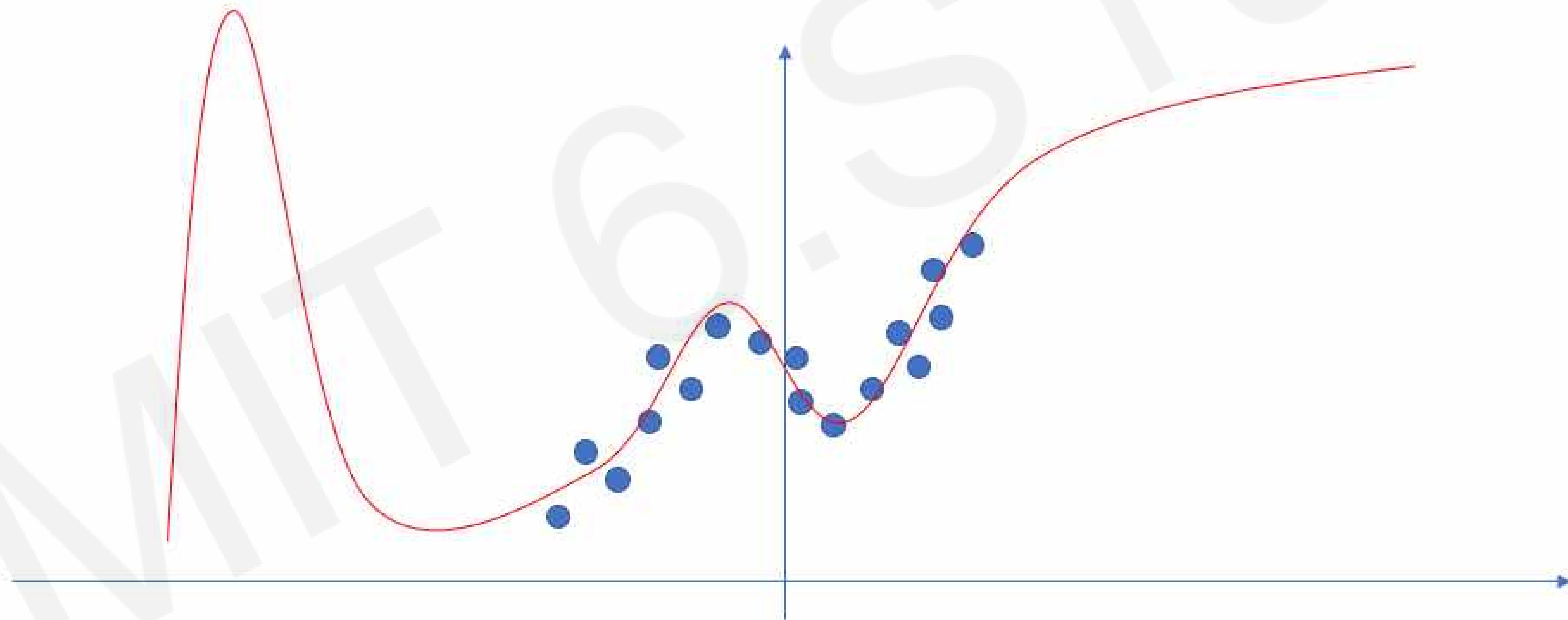
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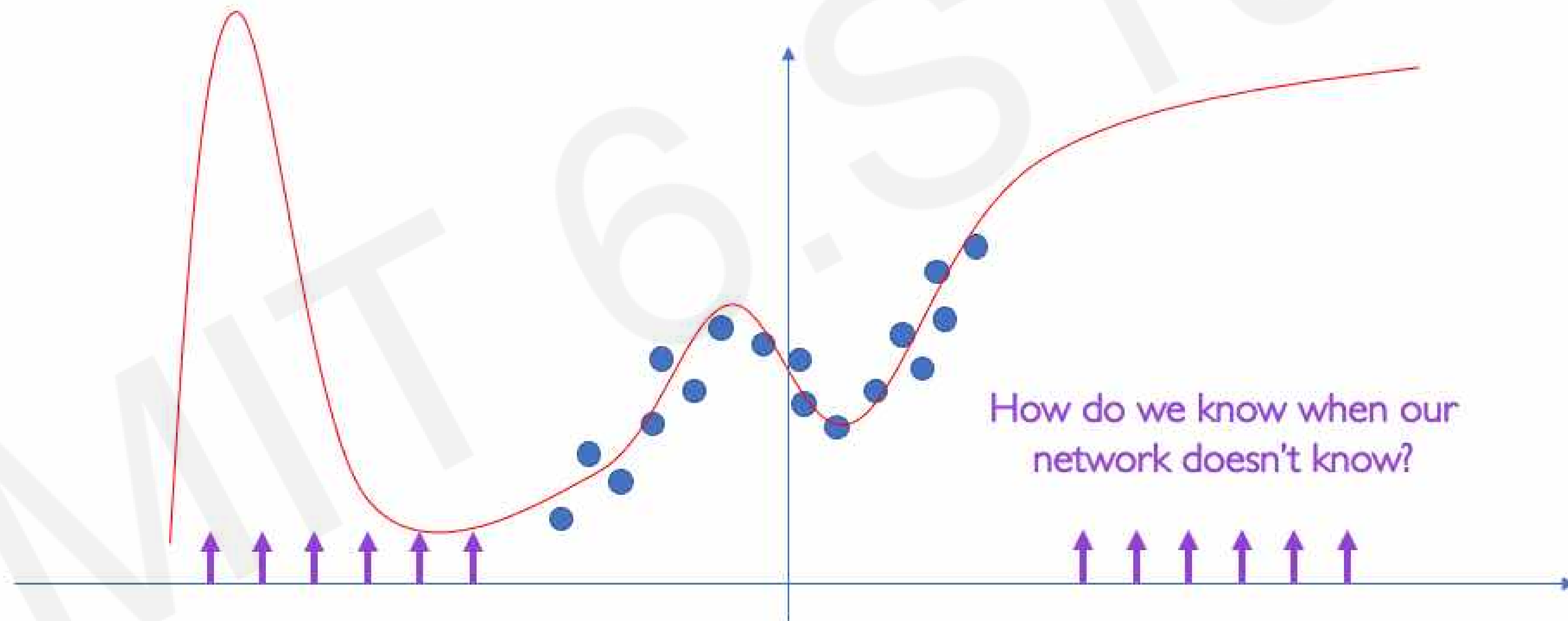
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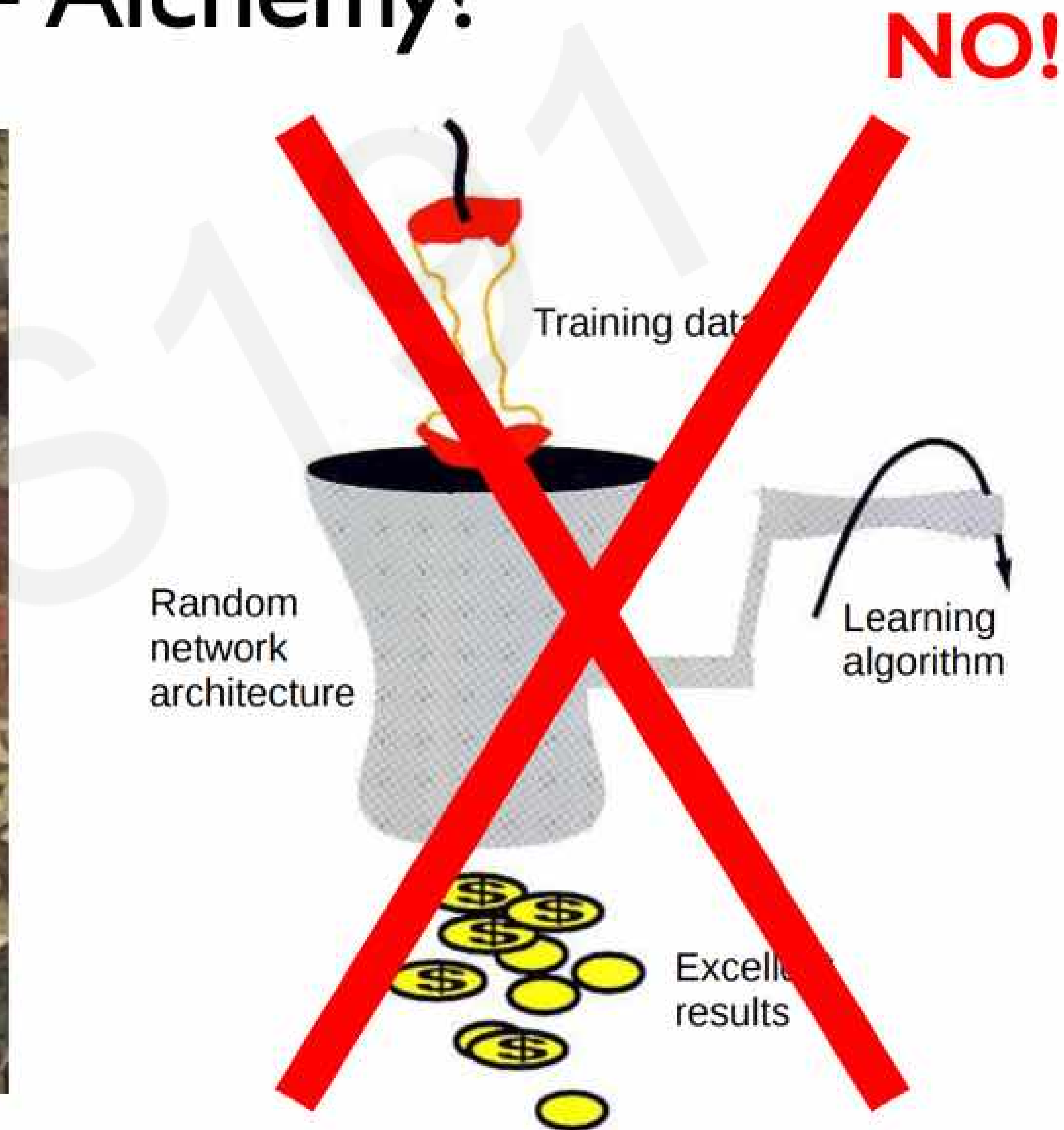
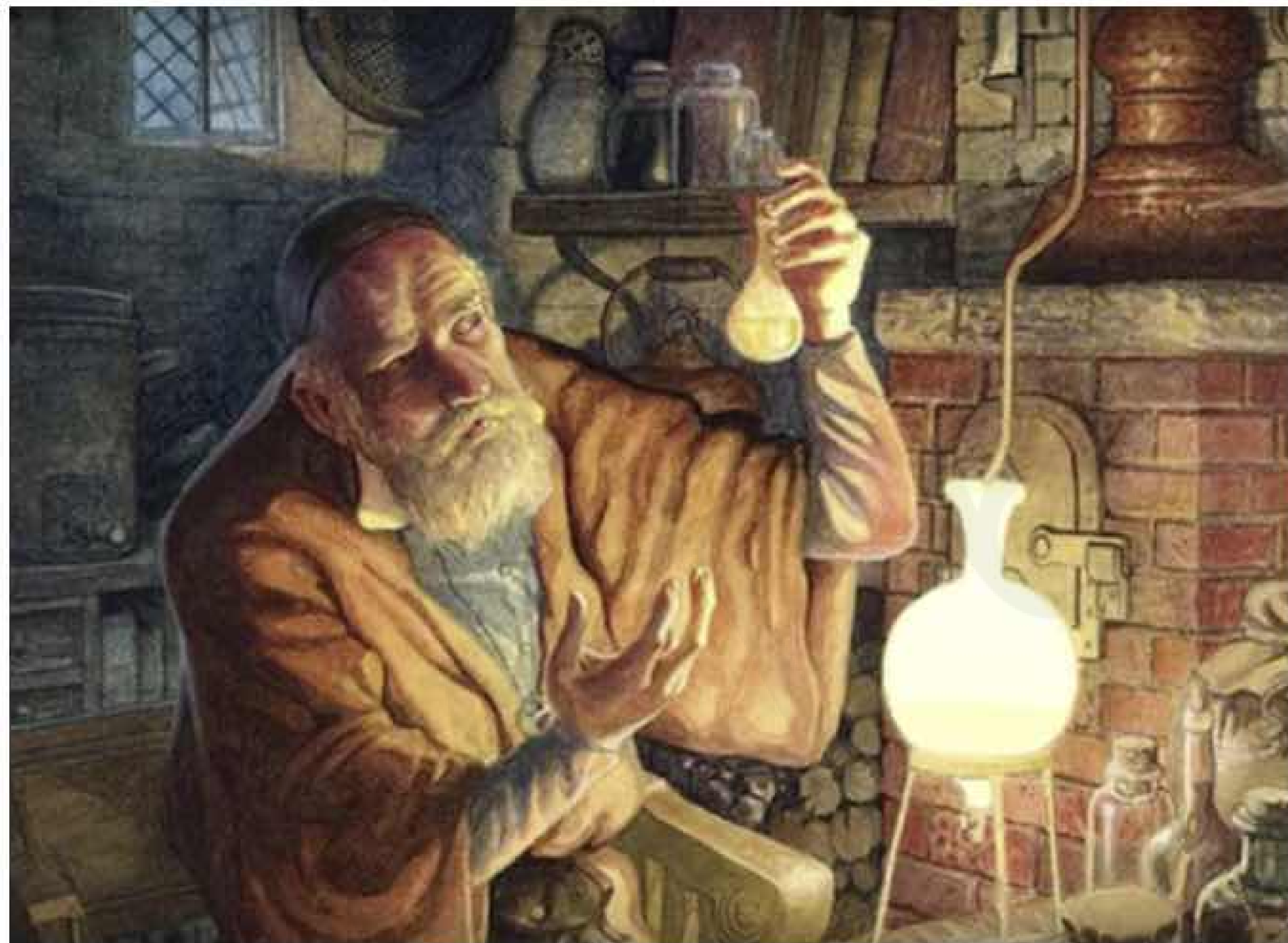


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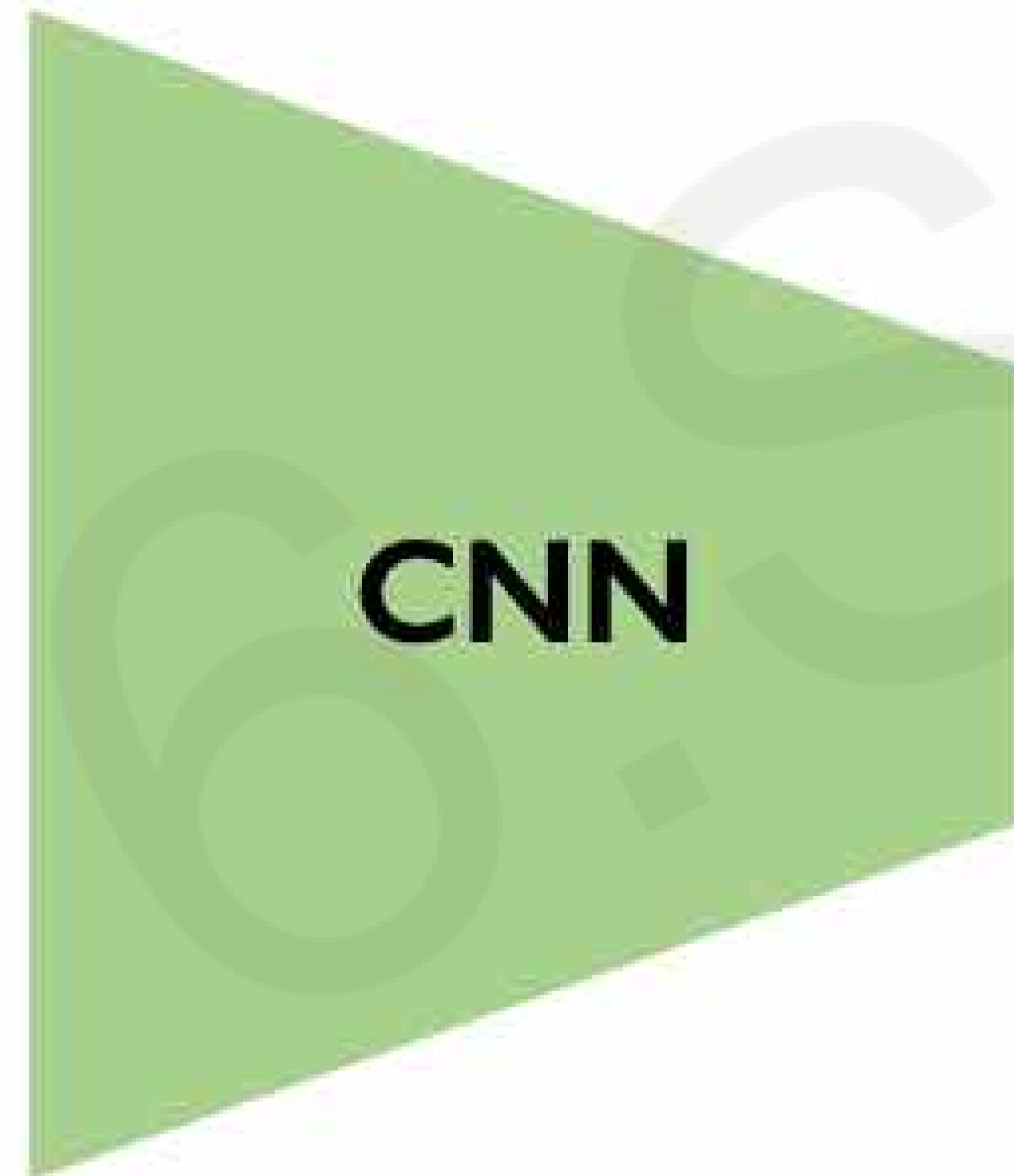
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...when they have training data



Deep Learning = Alchemy?



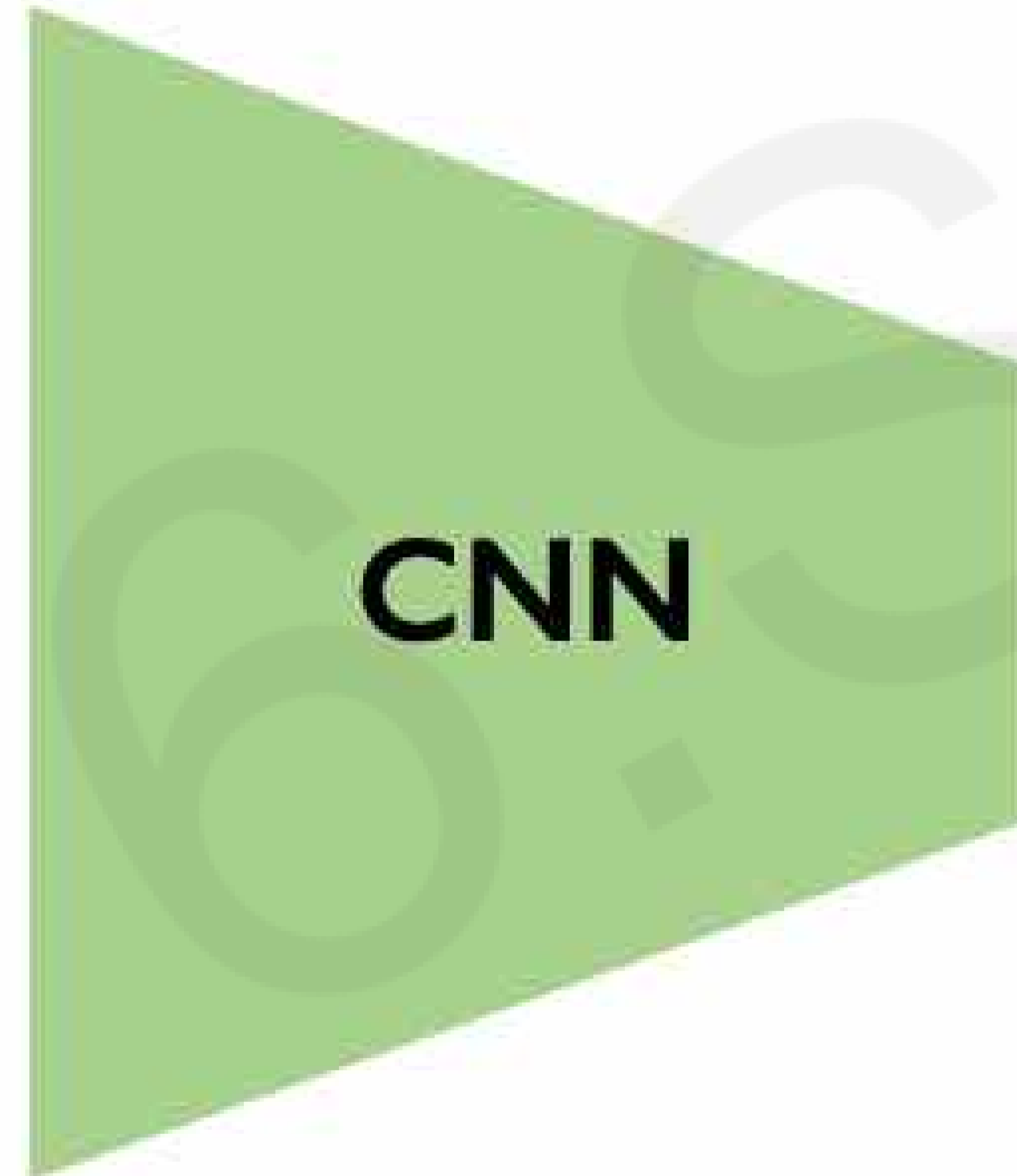
Neural Network Failure Modes, Part I



Train network to
colorize BW images.

Why could this be the case?

What Happens During Training...



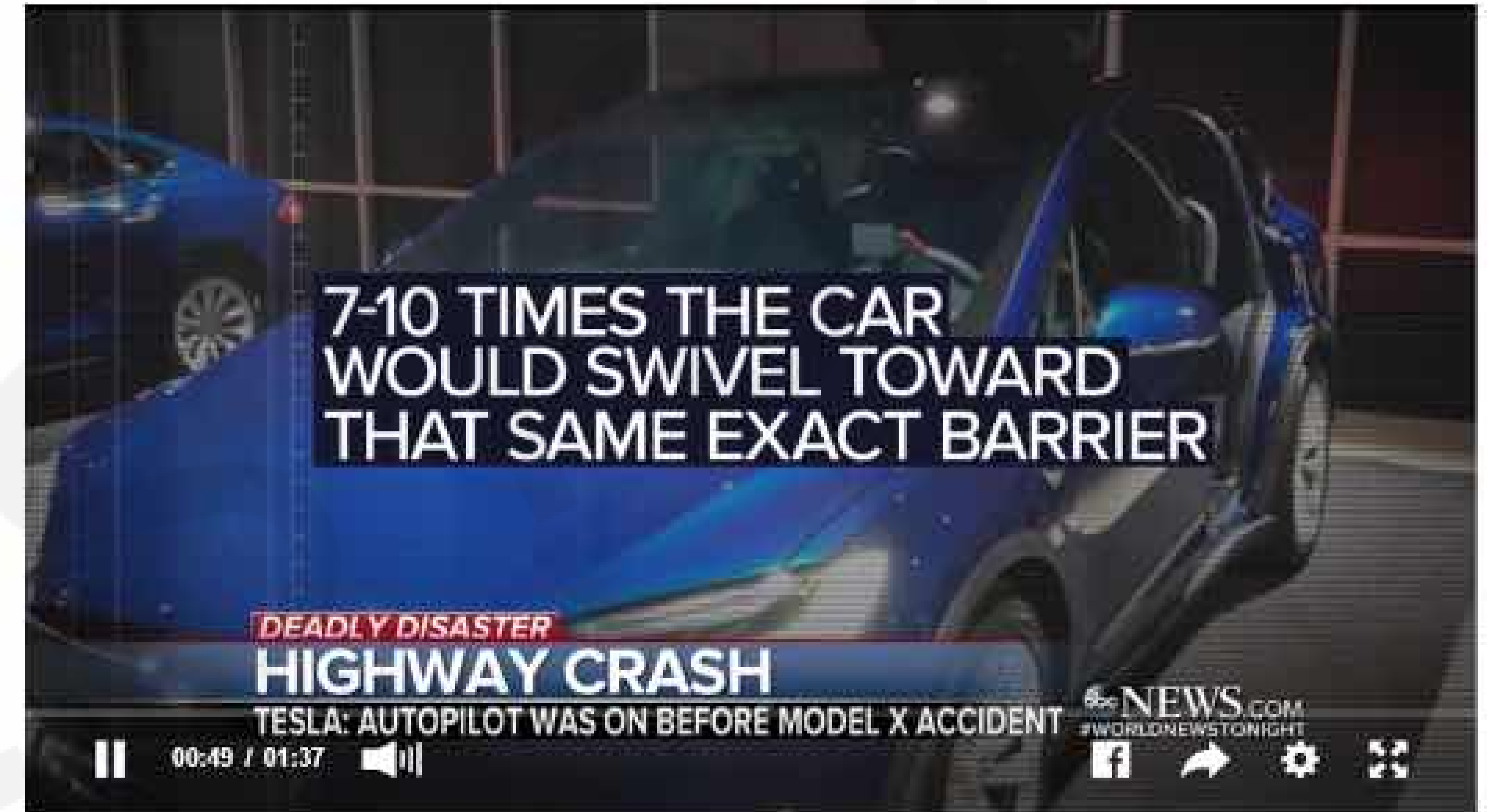
Neural Network Failure Modes, Part II

Tesla car was on autopilot prior to fatal crash in California, company says

The crash near Mountain View, California, last week killed the driver.

By Mark Osborne

March 31, 2018, 1:57 AM • 5 min read



Uncertainty in Deep Learning

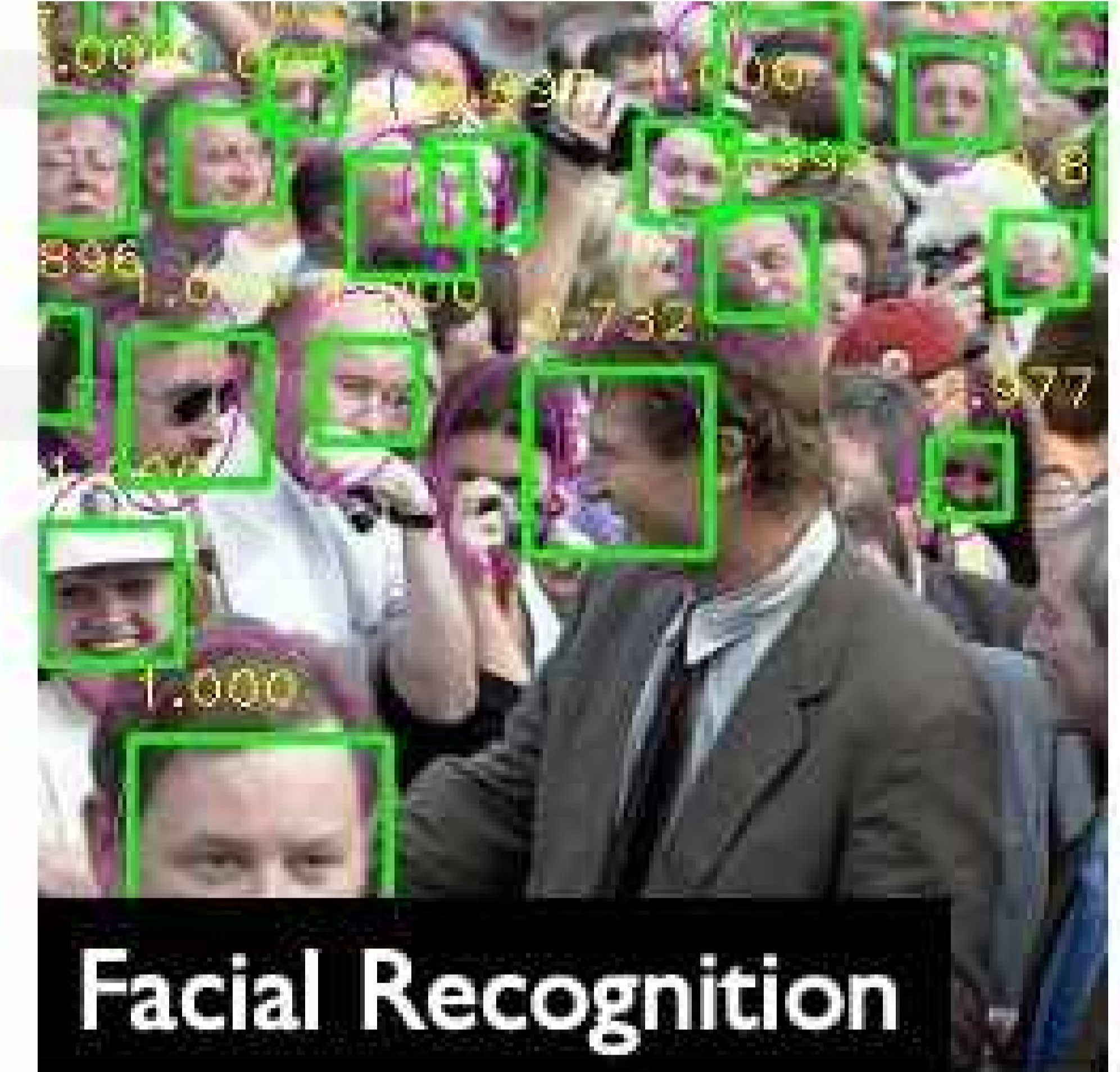
Safety-critical applications



Autonomous Vehicles

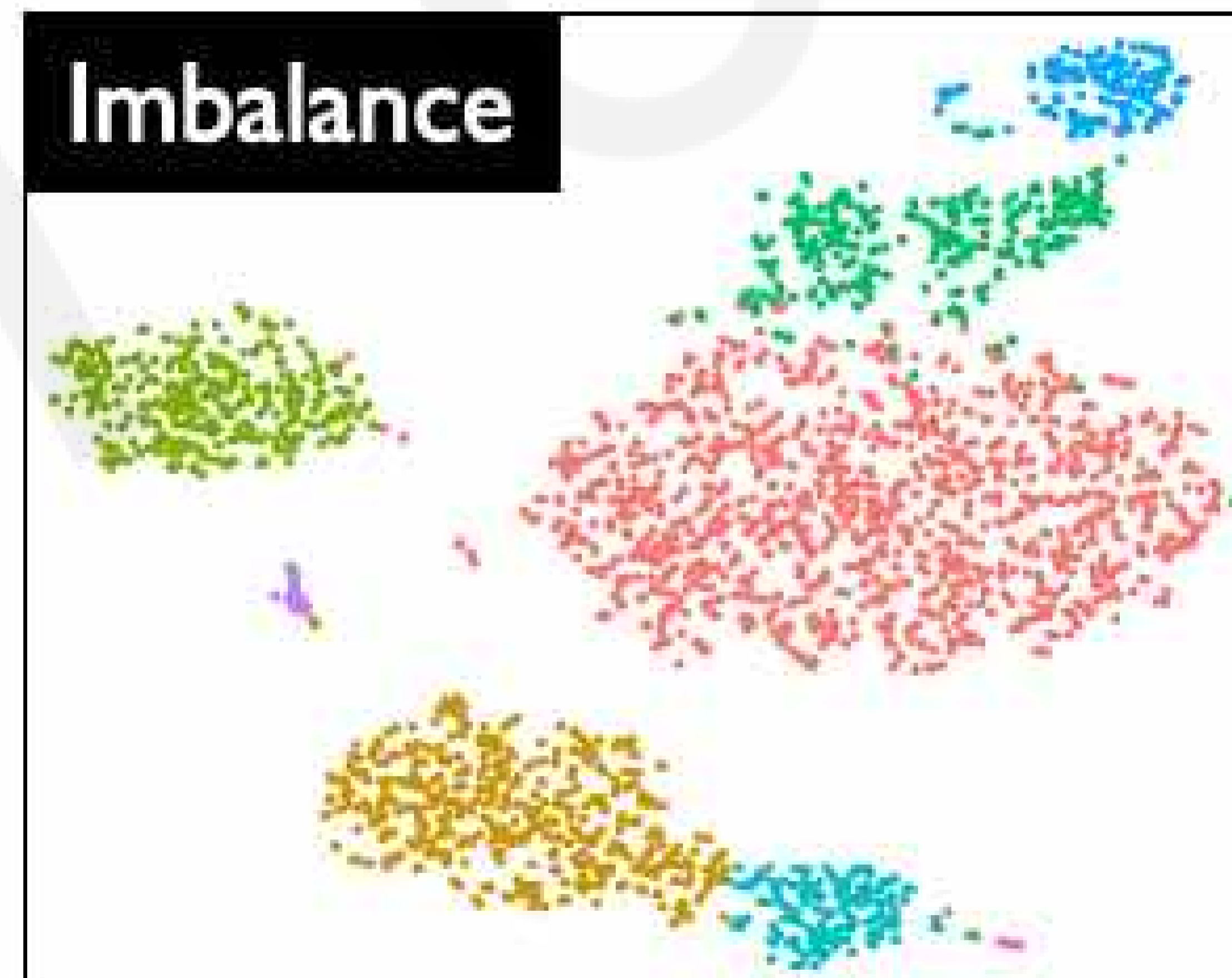


Medicine



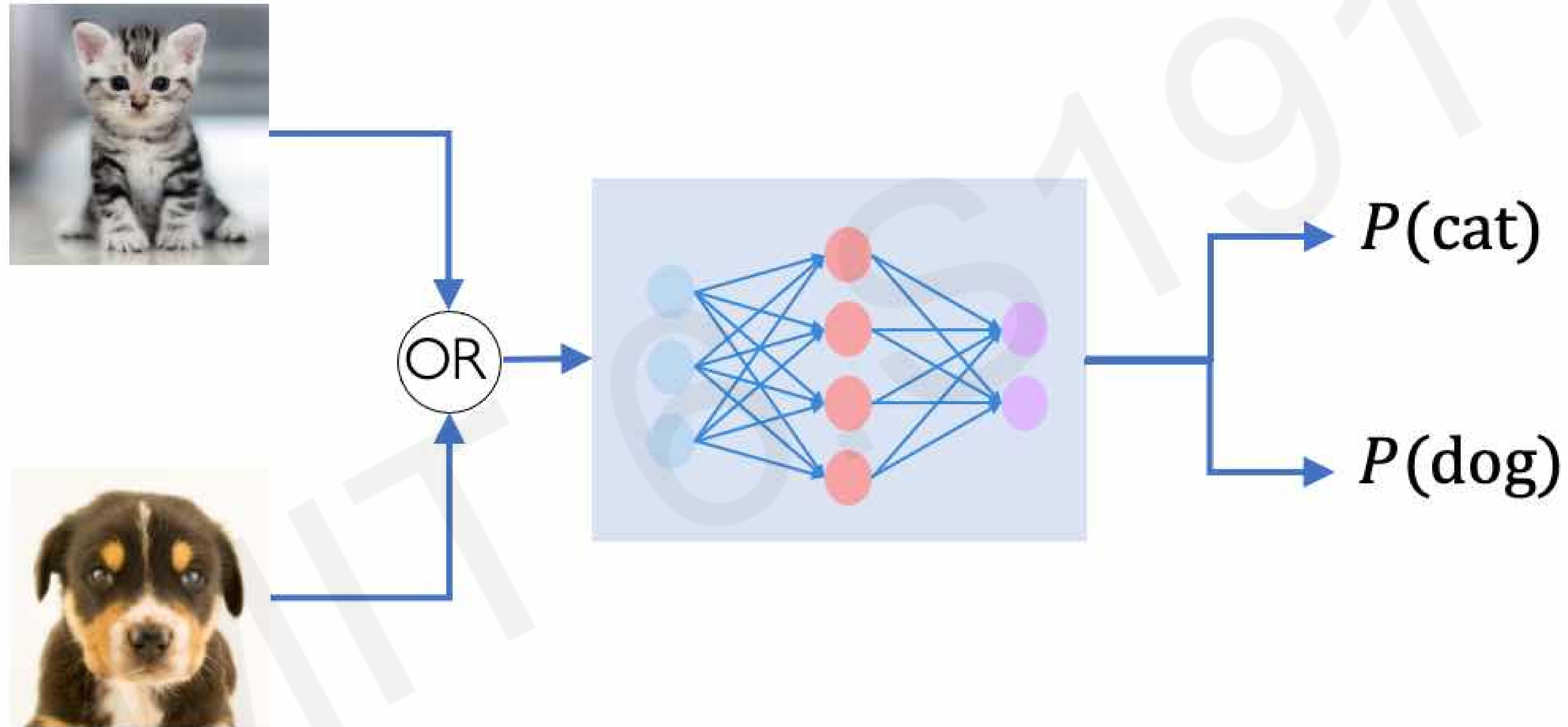
Facial Recognition

Sparse and/or noisy datasets




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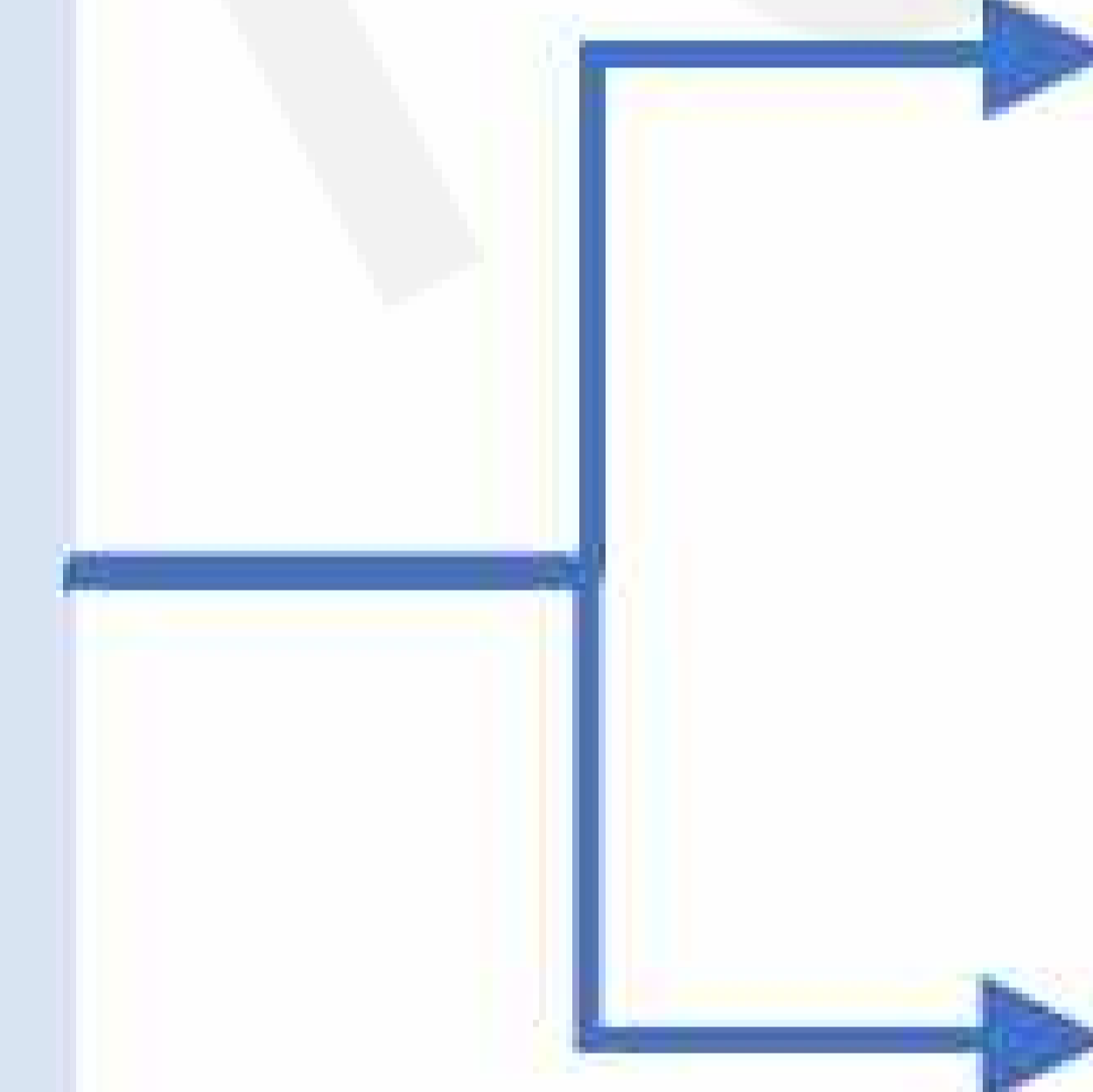
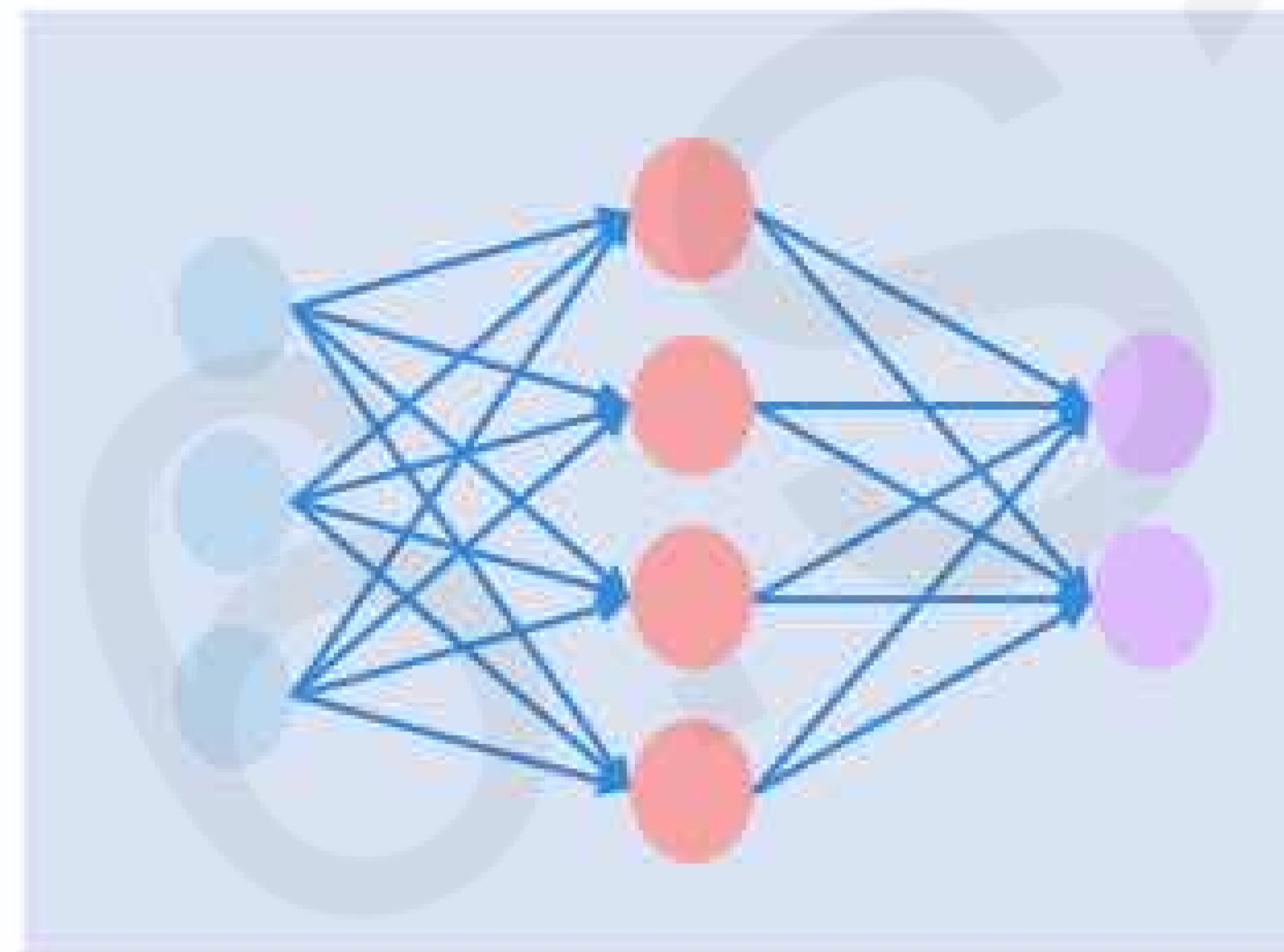
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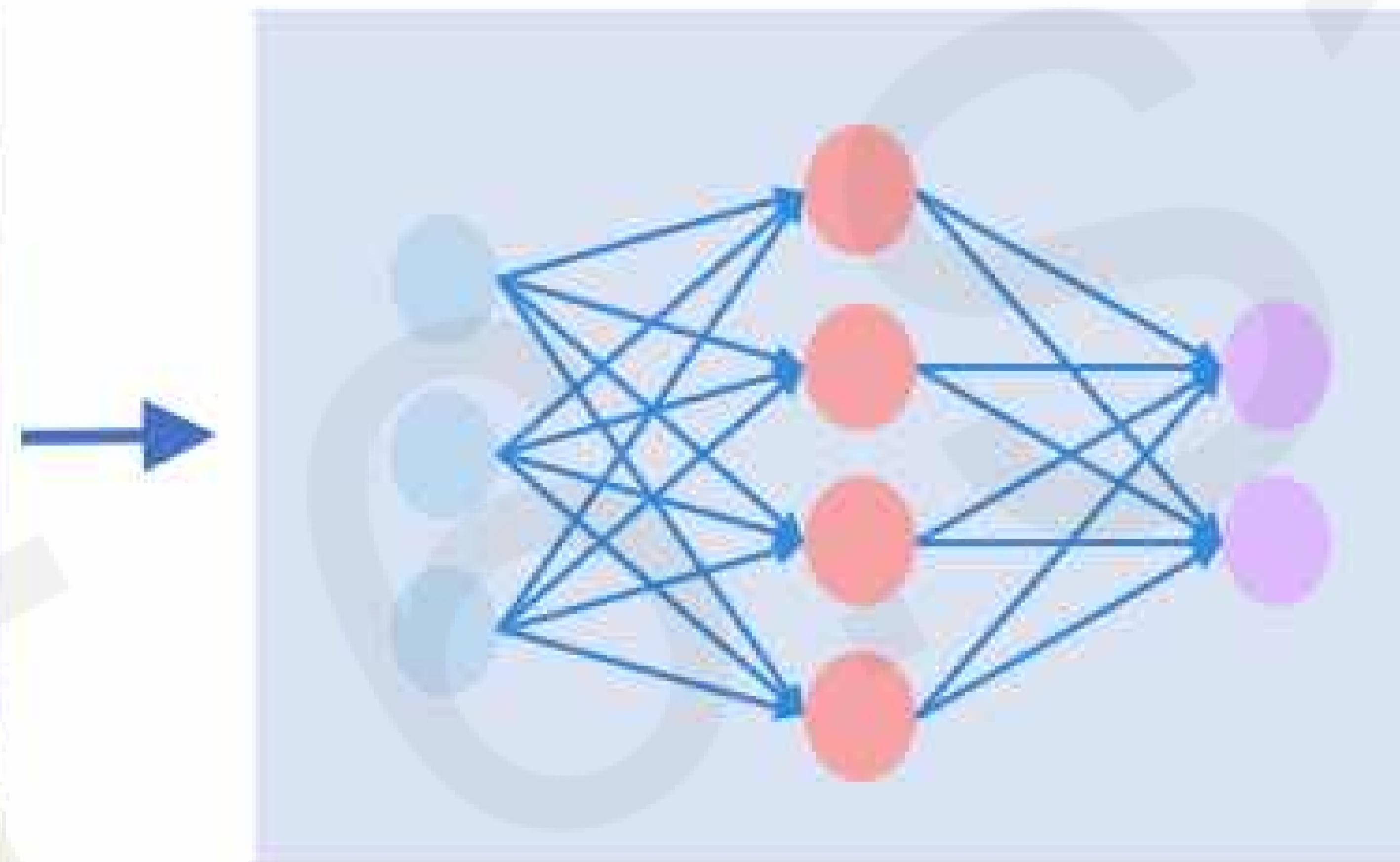


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What uncertainties do we need?

We need uncertainty metrics to assess the network's confidence in its predictions.

epistemic uncertainty



$$P(\text{cat}) = 0.2$$

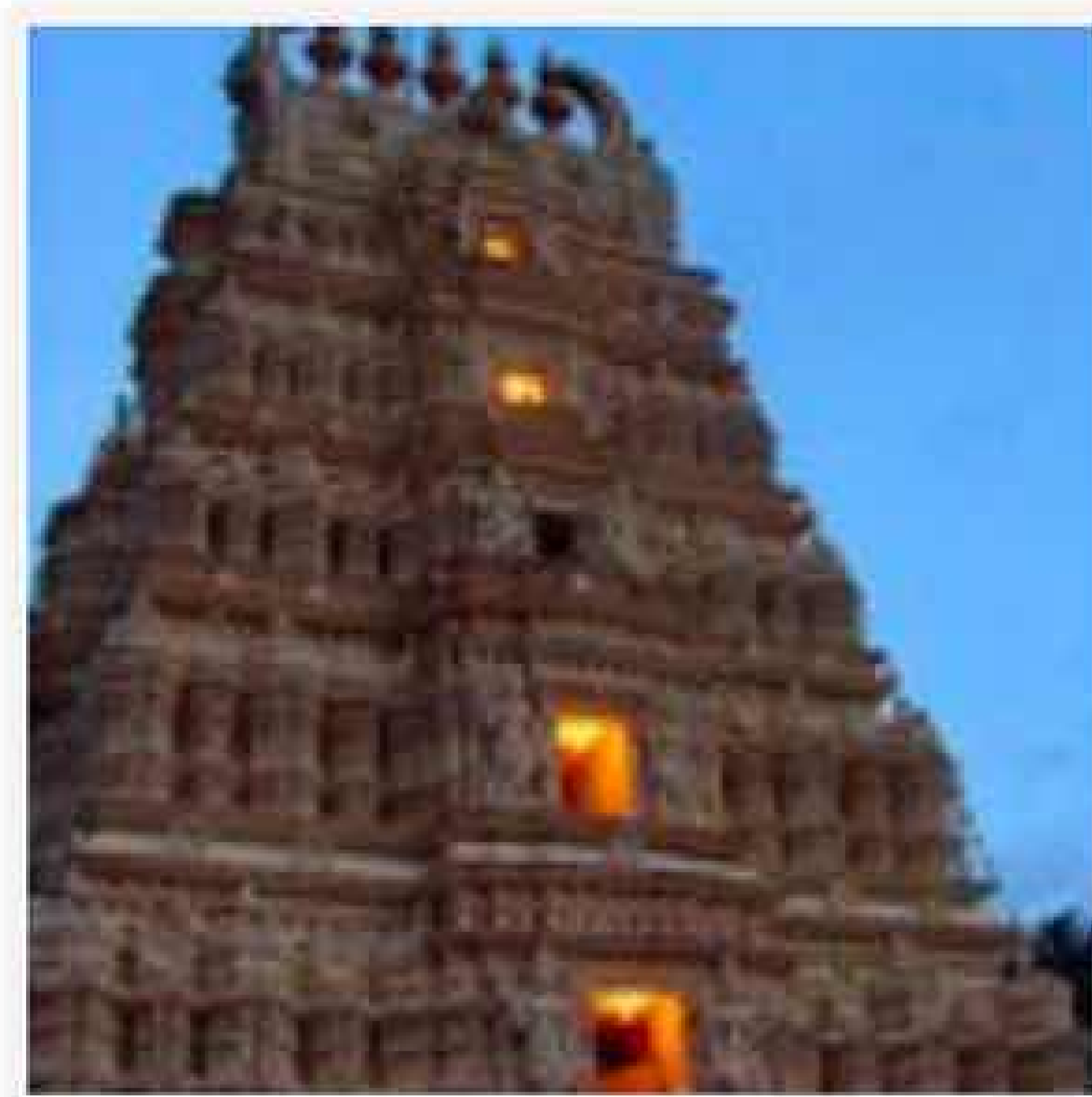
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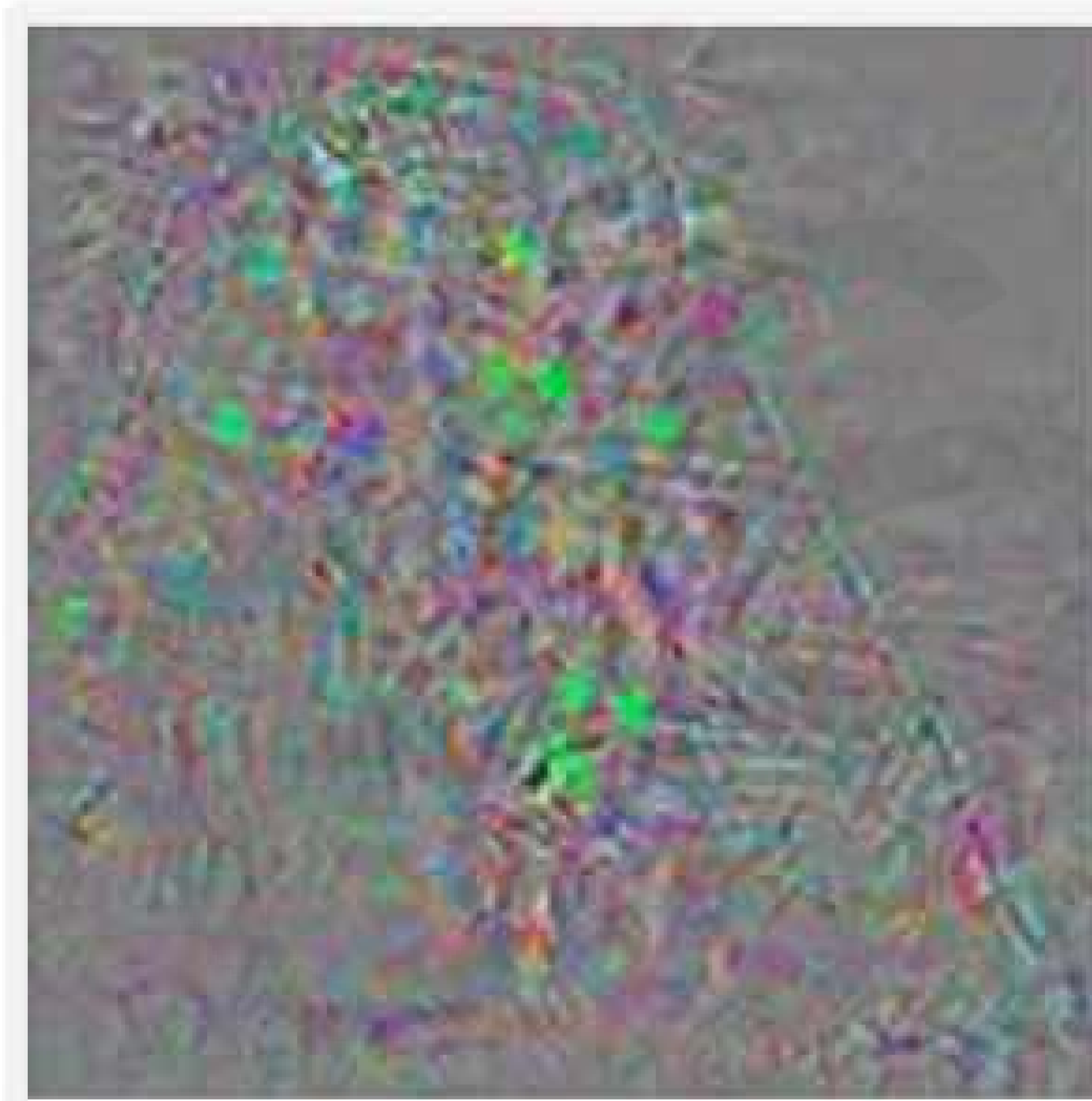
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Neural Network Failure Modes, Part III

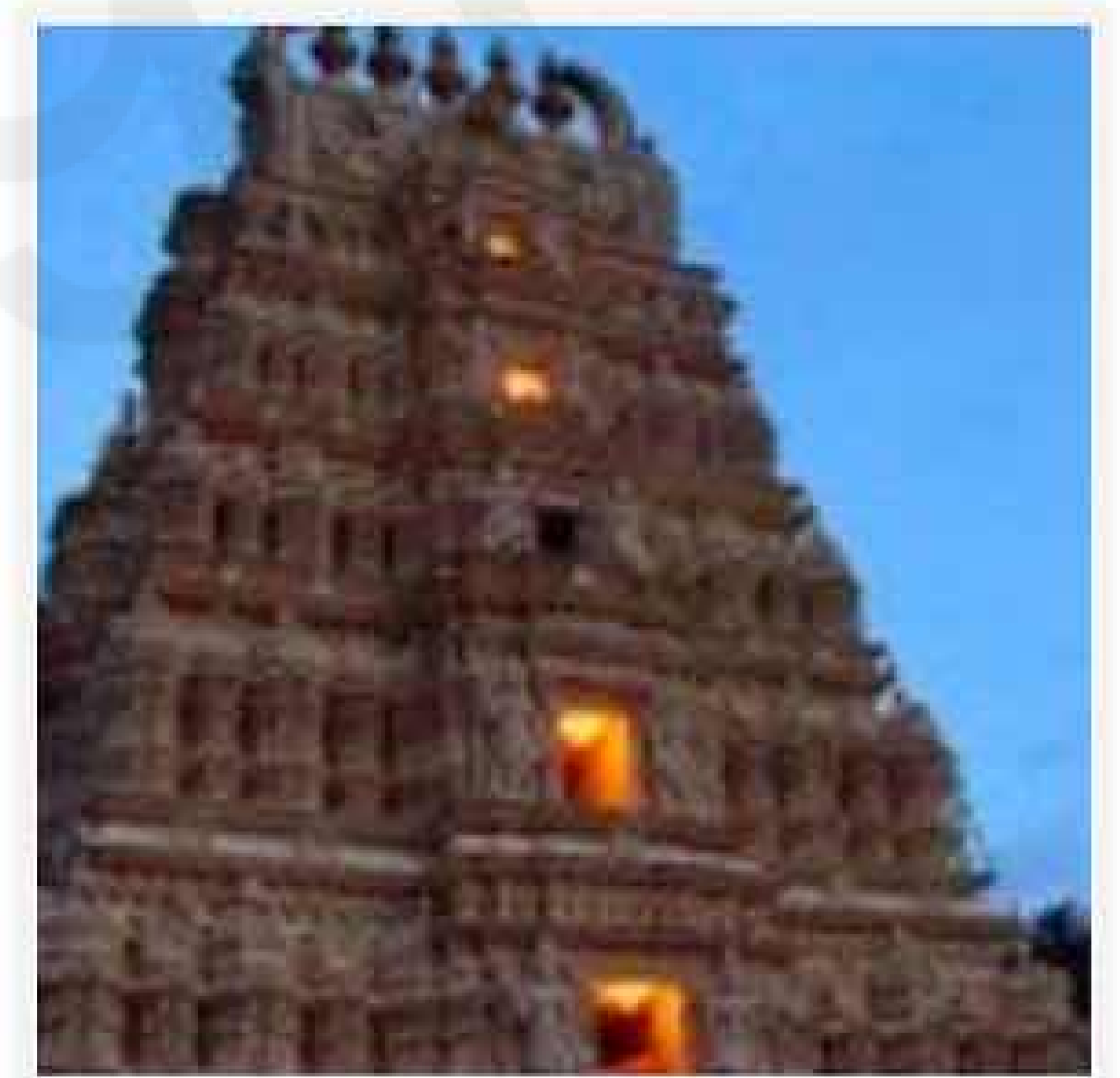
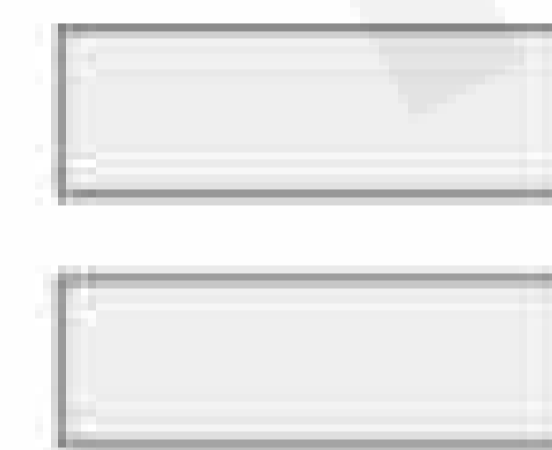


Original image

Temple (97%)



Perturbations



Adversarial example

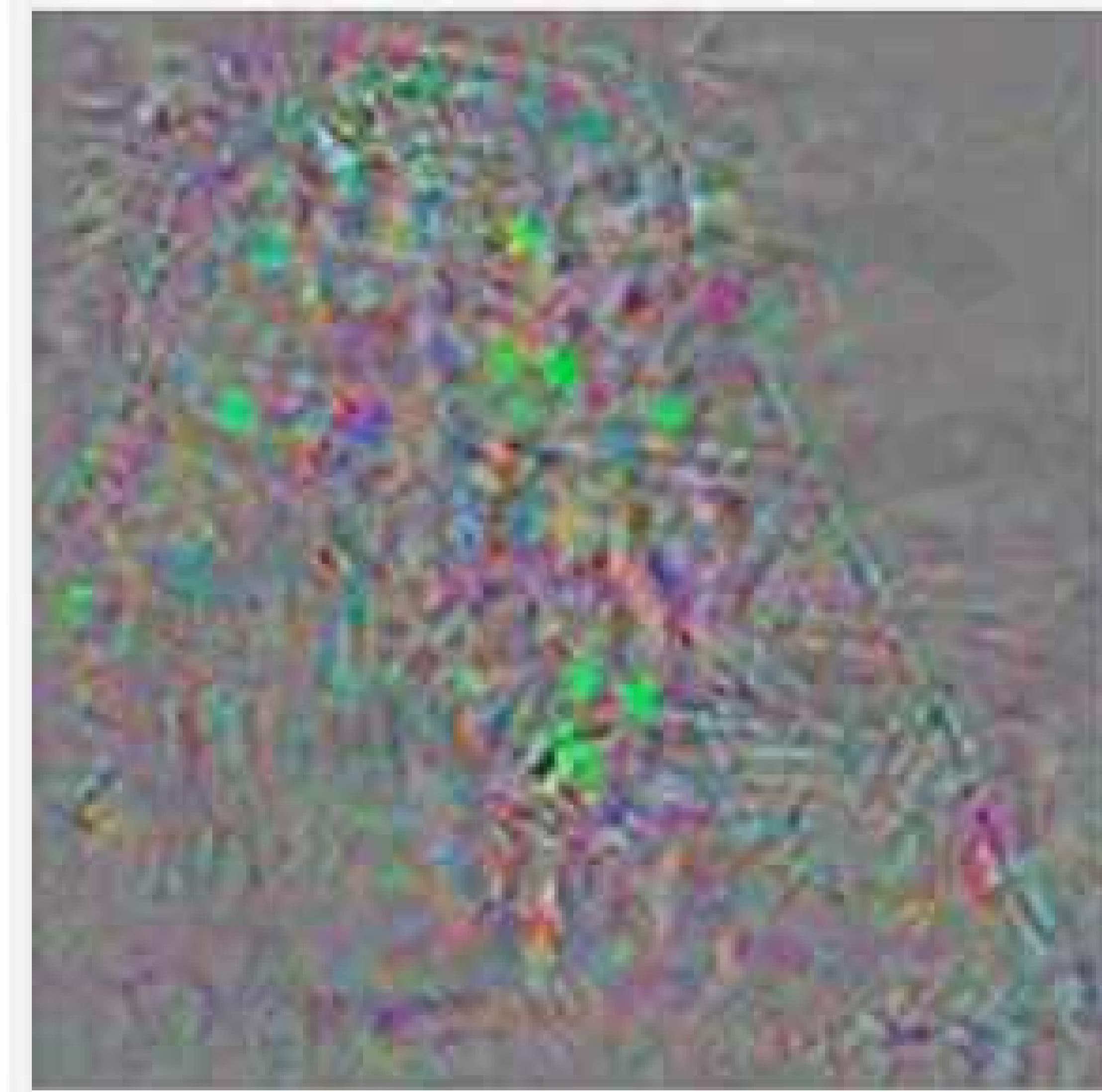
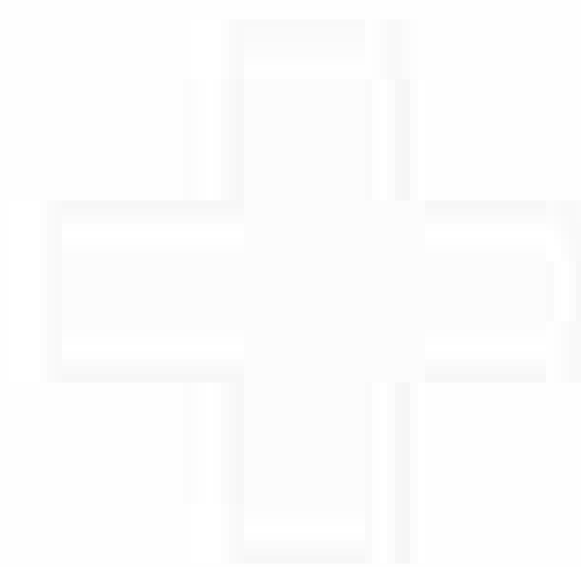
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Synthesizing Robust Adversarial Examples



■ classified as turtle ■ classified as rifle
■ classified as other

Algorithmic Bias

Overcoming Racial Bias In AI Systems And Startlingly Even In AI Self-Driving Cars

AI expert calls for end to UK use of 'racially biased' algorithms

Racial bias in a medical algorithm favors white patients over sicker black patients

AI Bias Could Put Women's Lives At Risk - A Challenge For Regulators

Gender bias in AI: building fairer algorithms

Bias in AI: A problem recognized but still unresolved

Amazon, Apple, Google, IBM, and Microsoft worse at transcribing black people's voices than white people's with AI voice recognition, study finds

Millions of black people affected by racial bias in health-care algorithms

Study reveals rampant racism in decision-making software used by US hospitals — and highlights ways to correct it.

When It Comes to Gorillas, Google Photos Remains Blind

Google promised a fix after its photo-categorization software labeled black people as gorillas in 2015. More than two years later, it hasn't found one.

The Week in Tech: Algorithmic Bias Is Bad. Uncovering It Is Good.

Google 'fixed' its racist algorithm by removing gorillas from its image-labeling tech

Artificial Intelligence has a gender bias problem – just ask Siri

The Best Algorithms Struggle to Recognize Black Faces Equally

US government tests find even top-performing facial recognition systems misidentify blacks at rates five to 10 times higher than they do whites.



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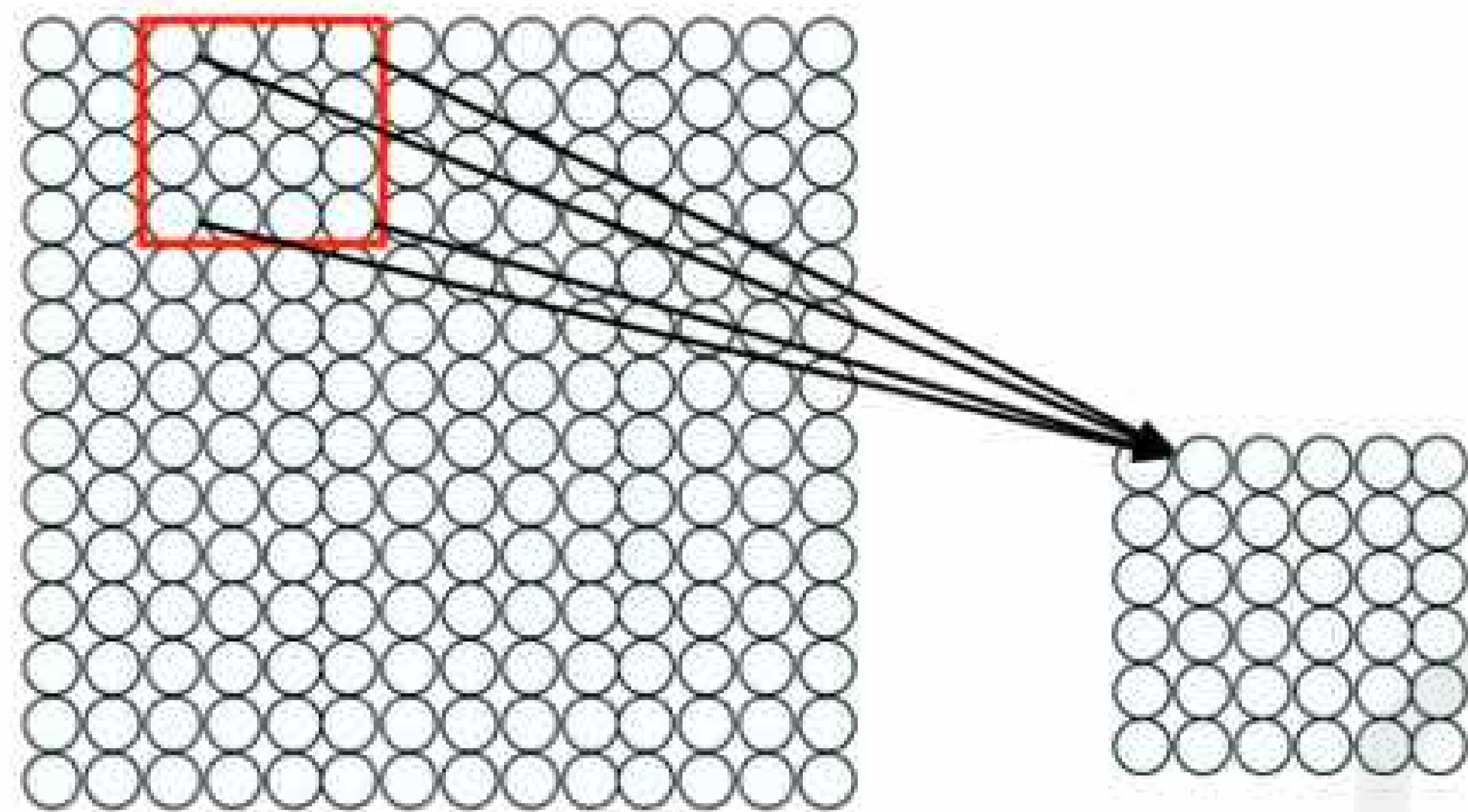
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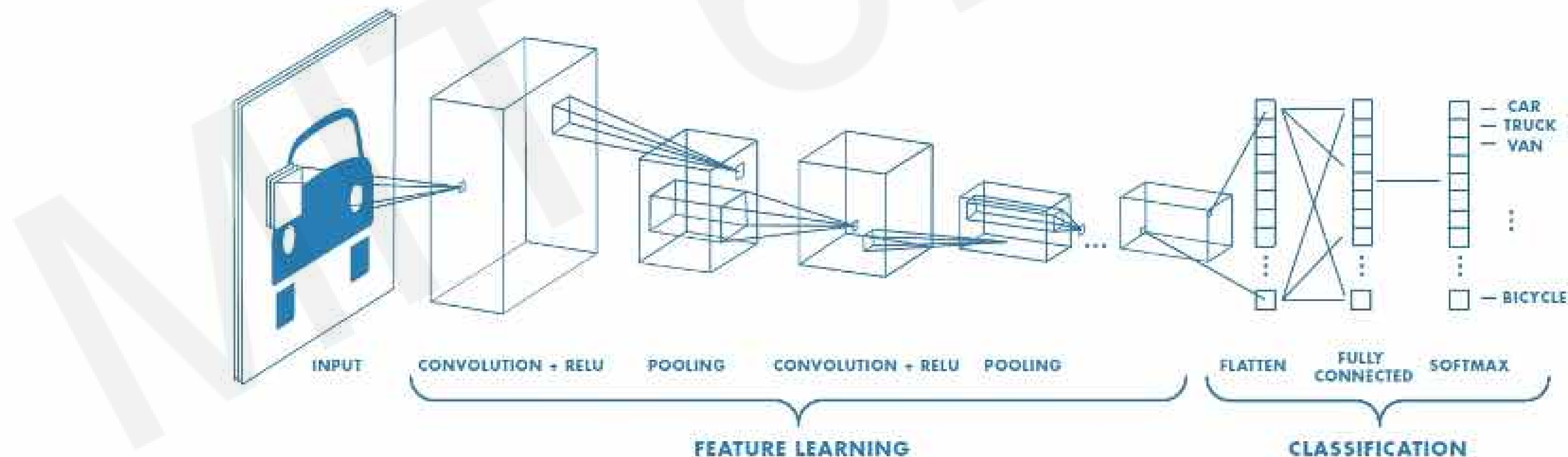
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New Frontiers I: Encoding Structure into Deep Learning

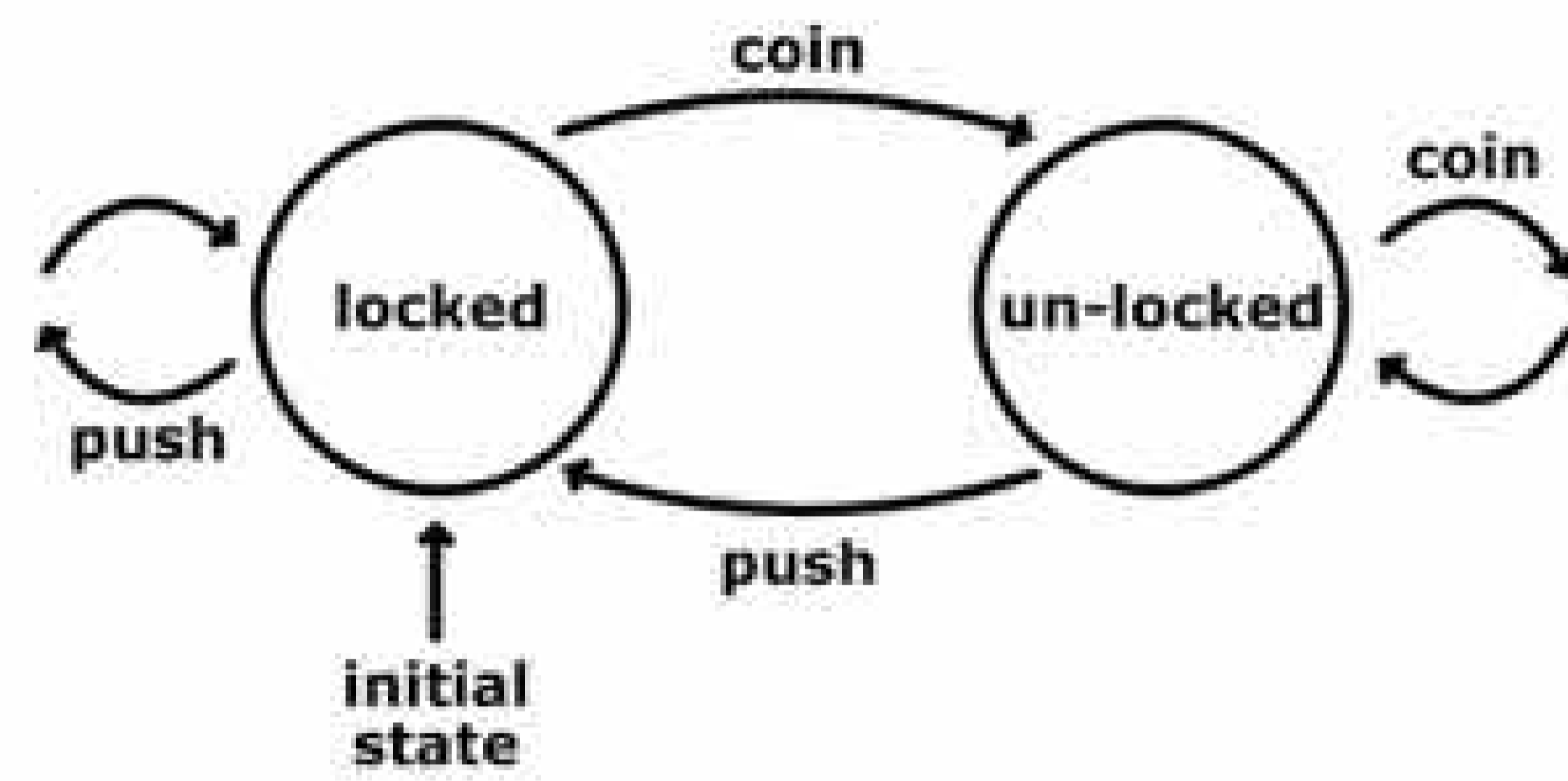
CNNs: Using Spatial Structure



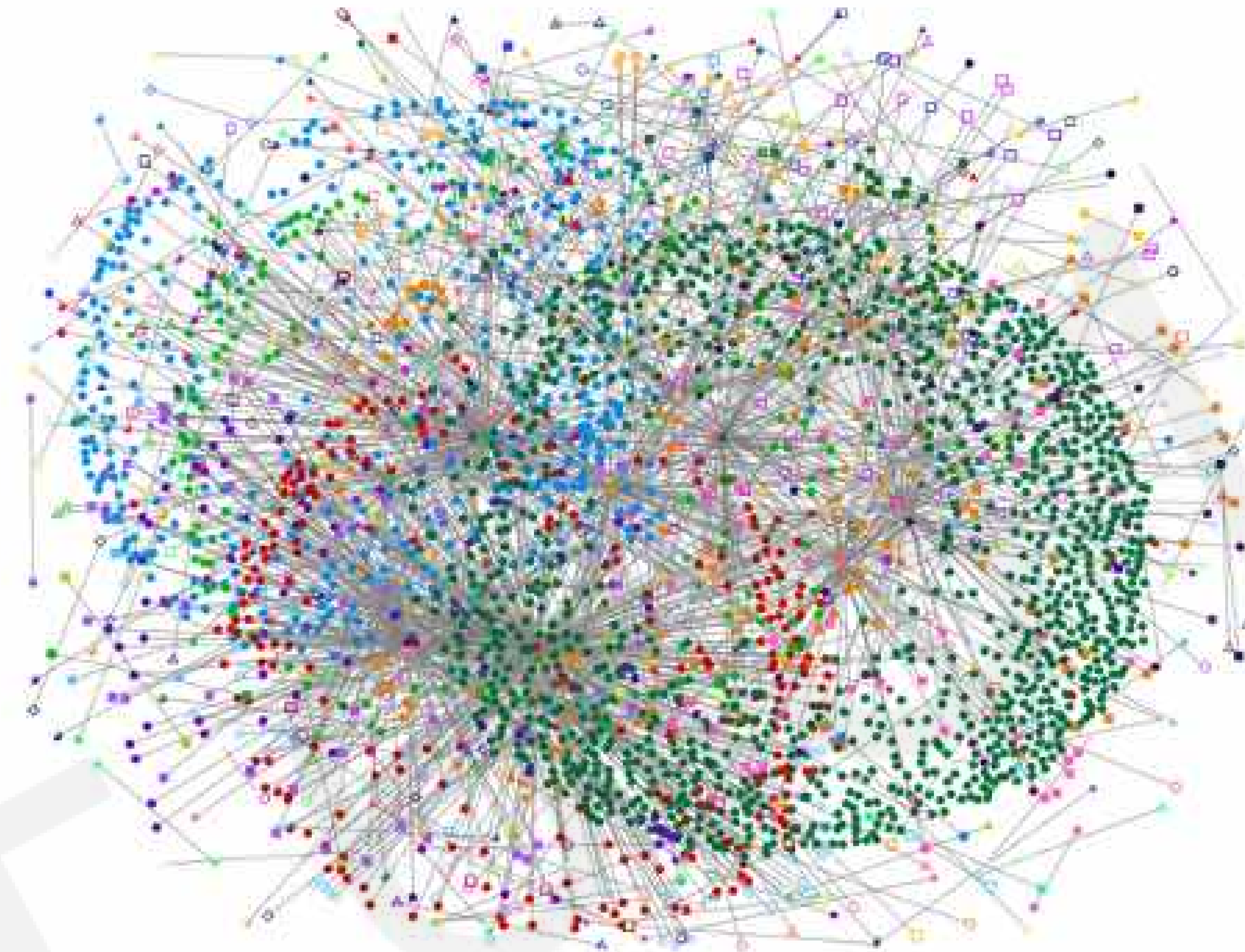
- 1) Apply a set of weights to extract **local features**
- 2) Use **multiple filters** to extract different features
- 3) **Spatially share** parameters of each filter



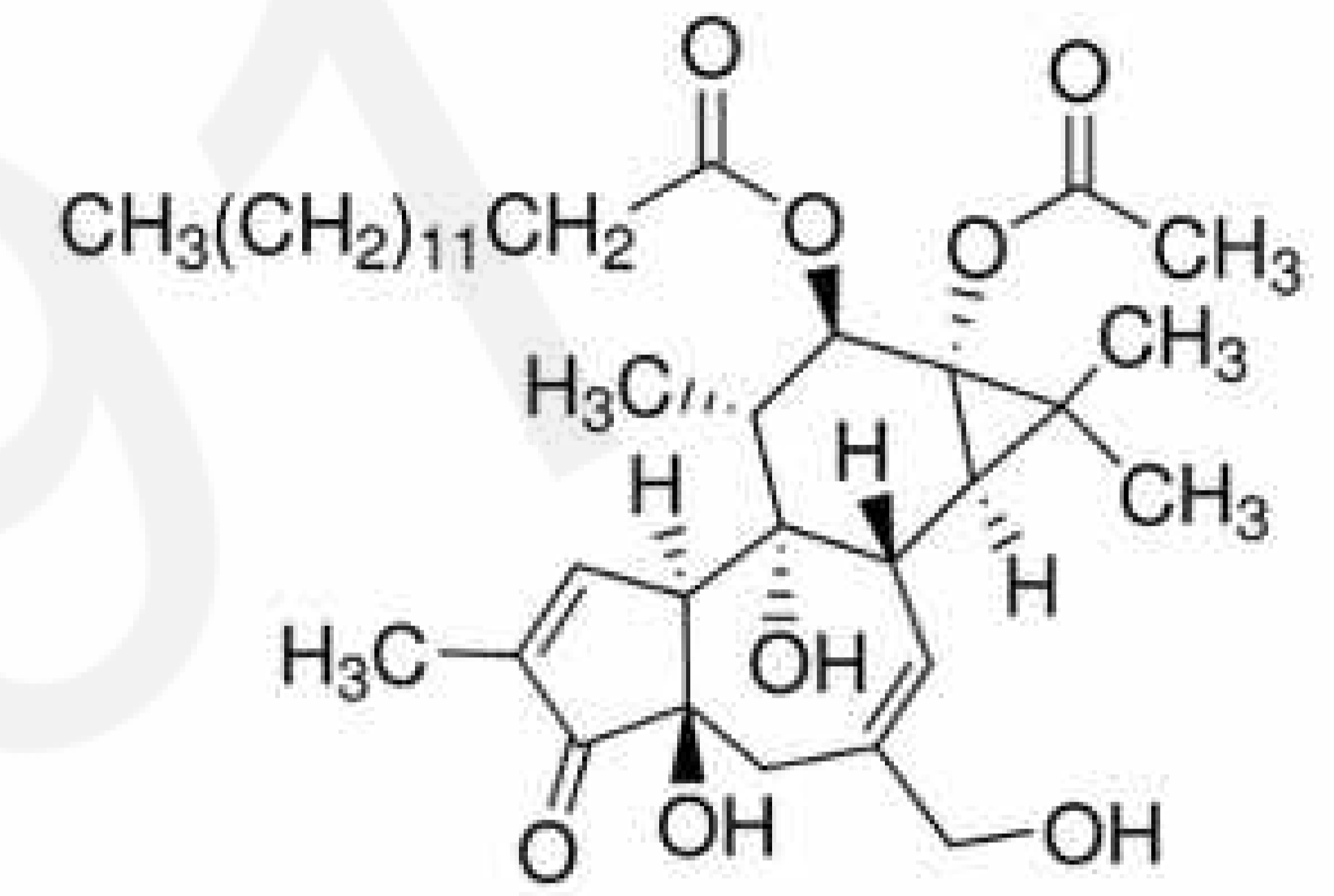
Graphs as a Structure for Representing Data



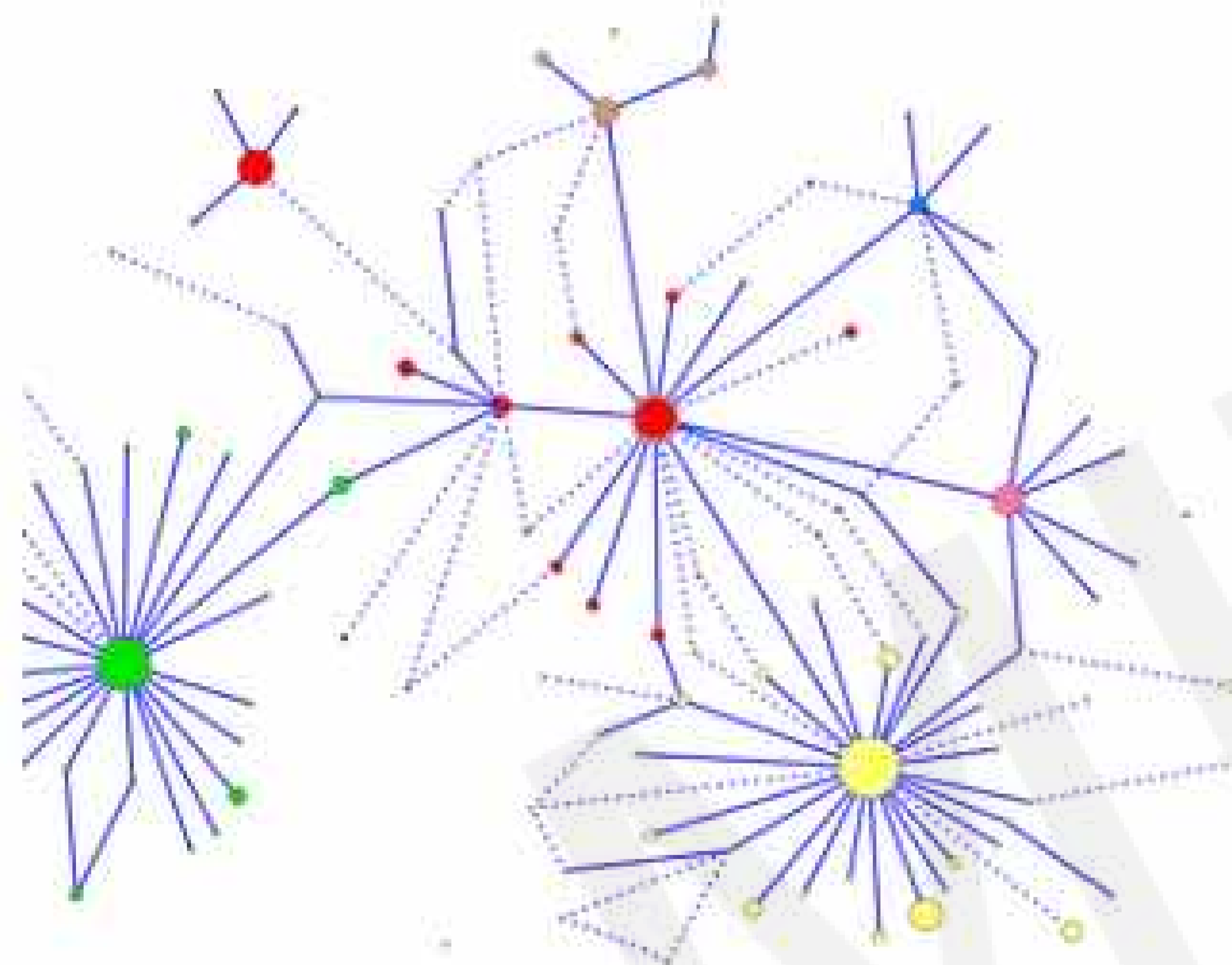
State Machines



Social Networks



Molecules



Biological Networks

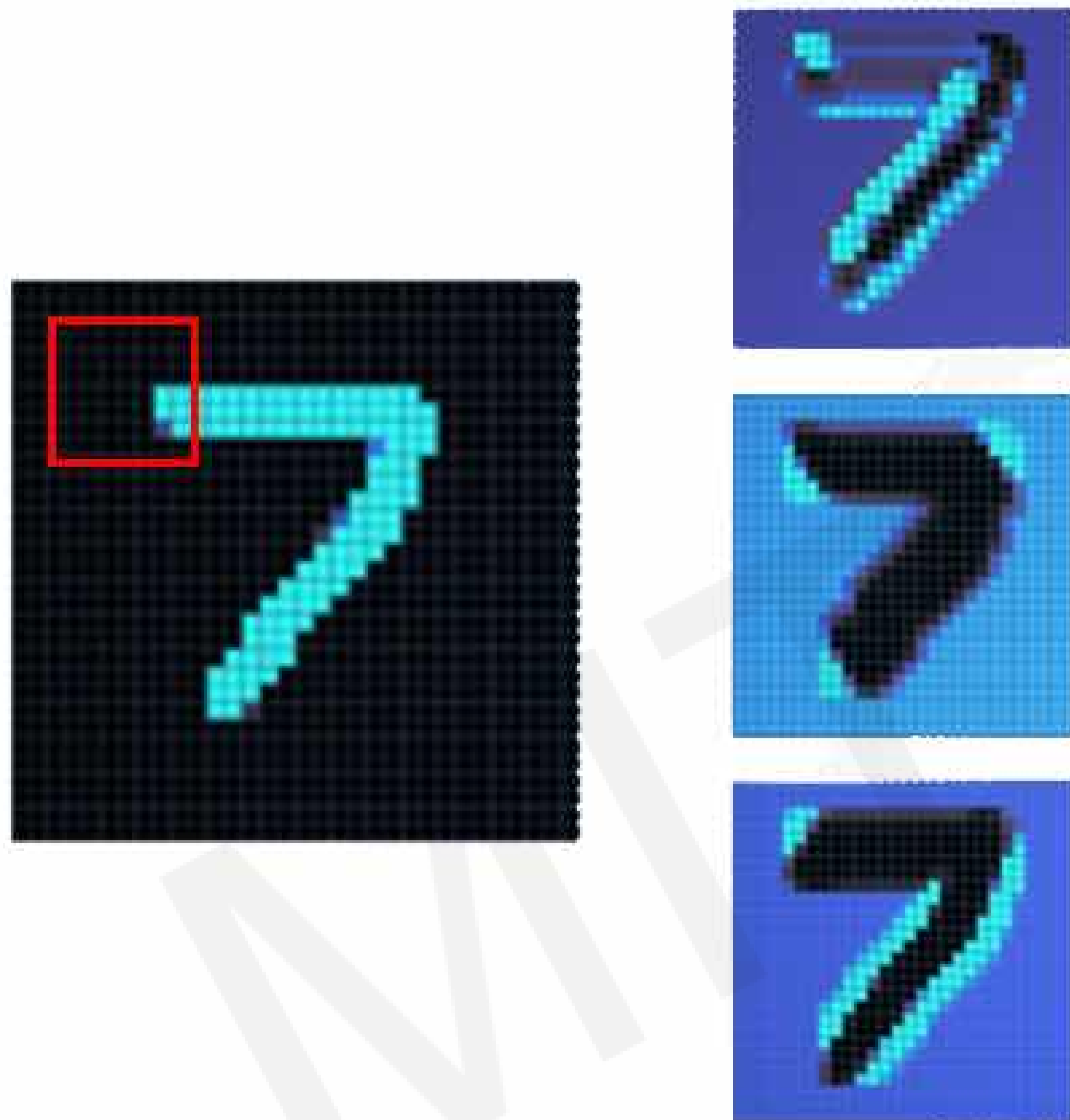
Many real-world data – such as networks – cannot be captured by “standard” encodings or Euclidean geometries



Mobility & Transport

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Convolutional Networks

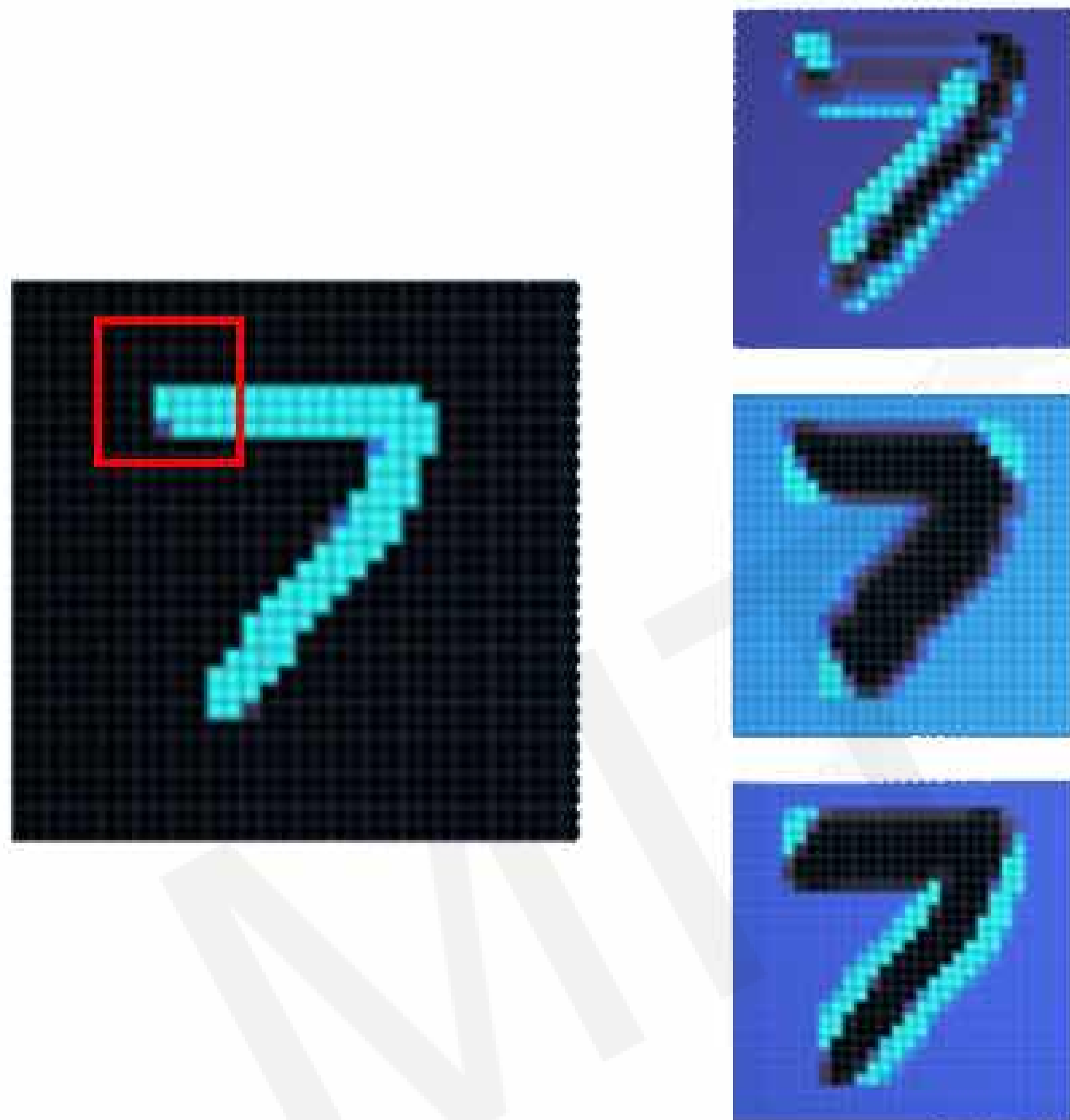


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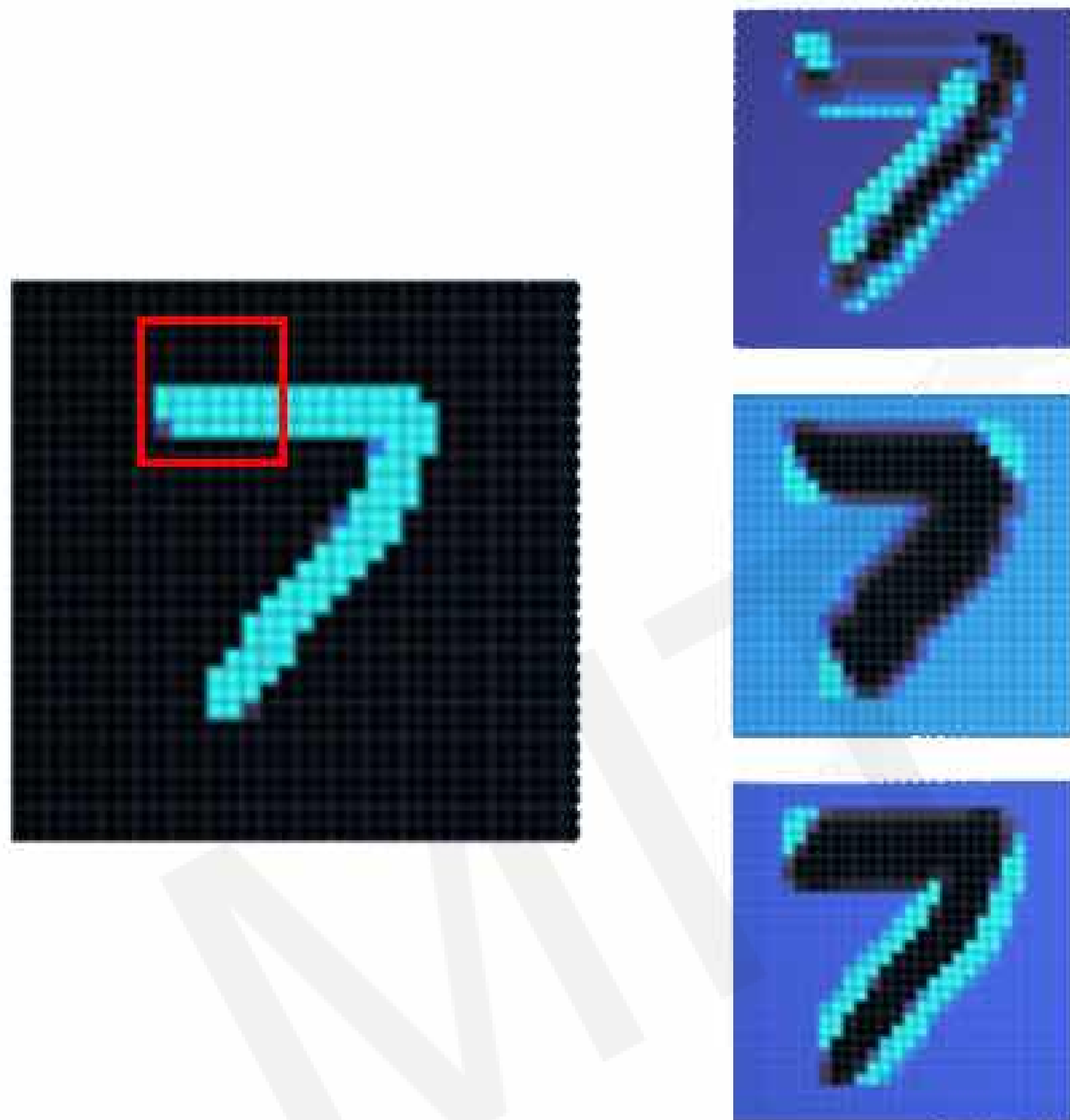


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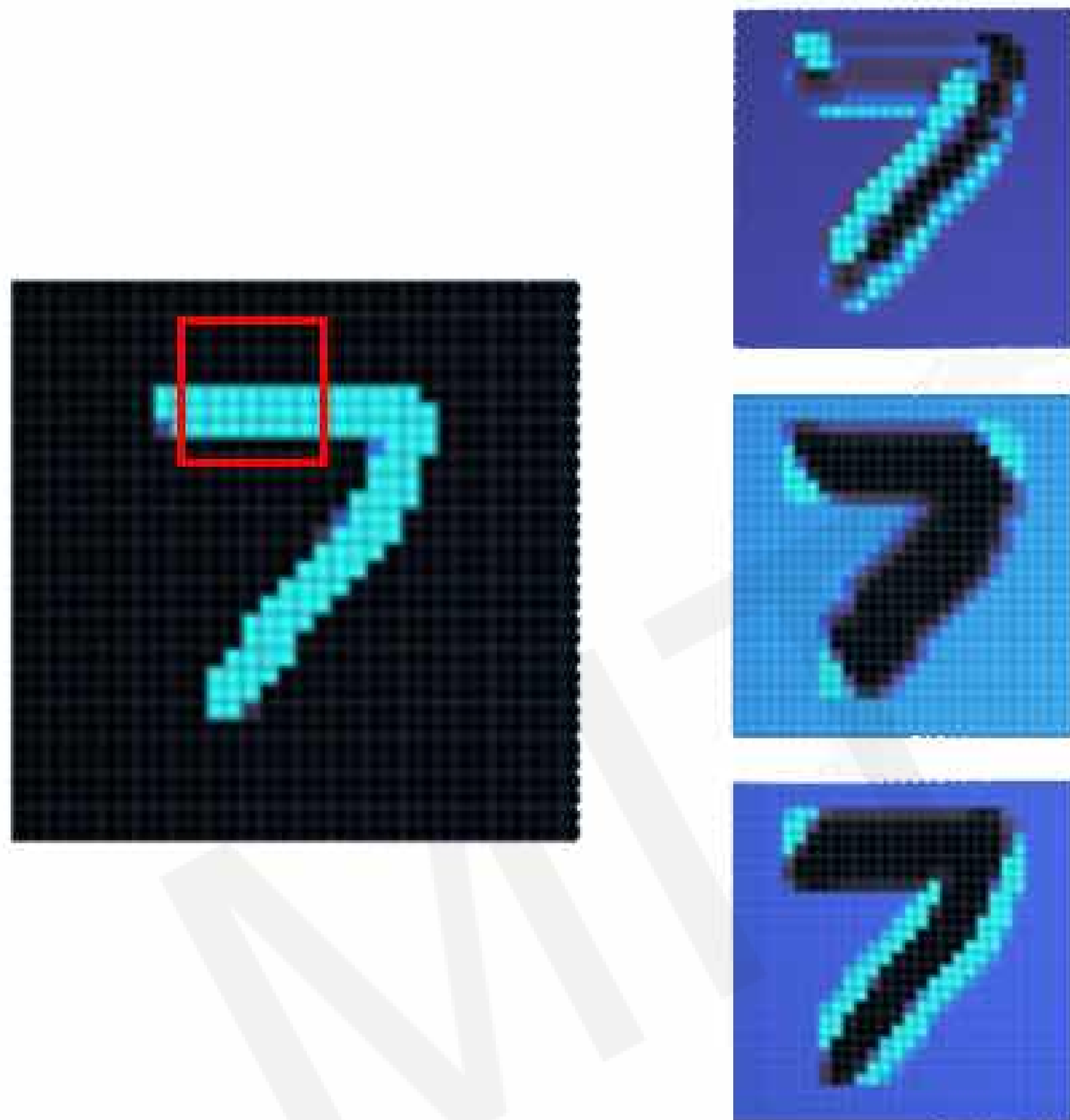


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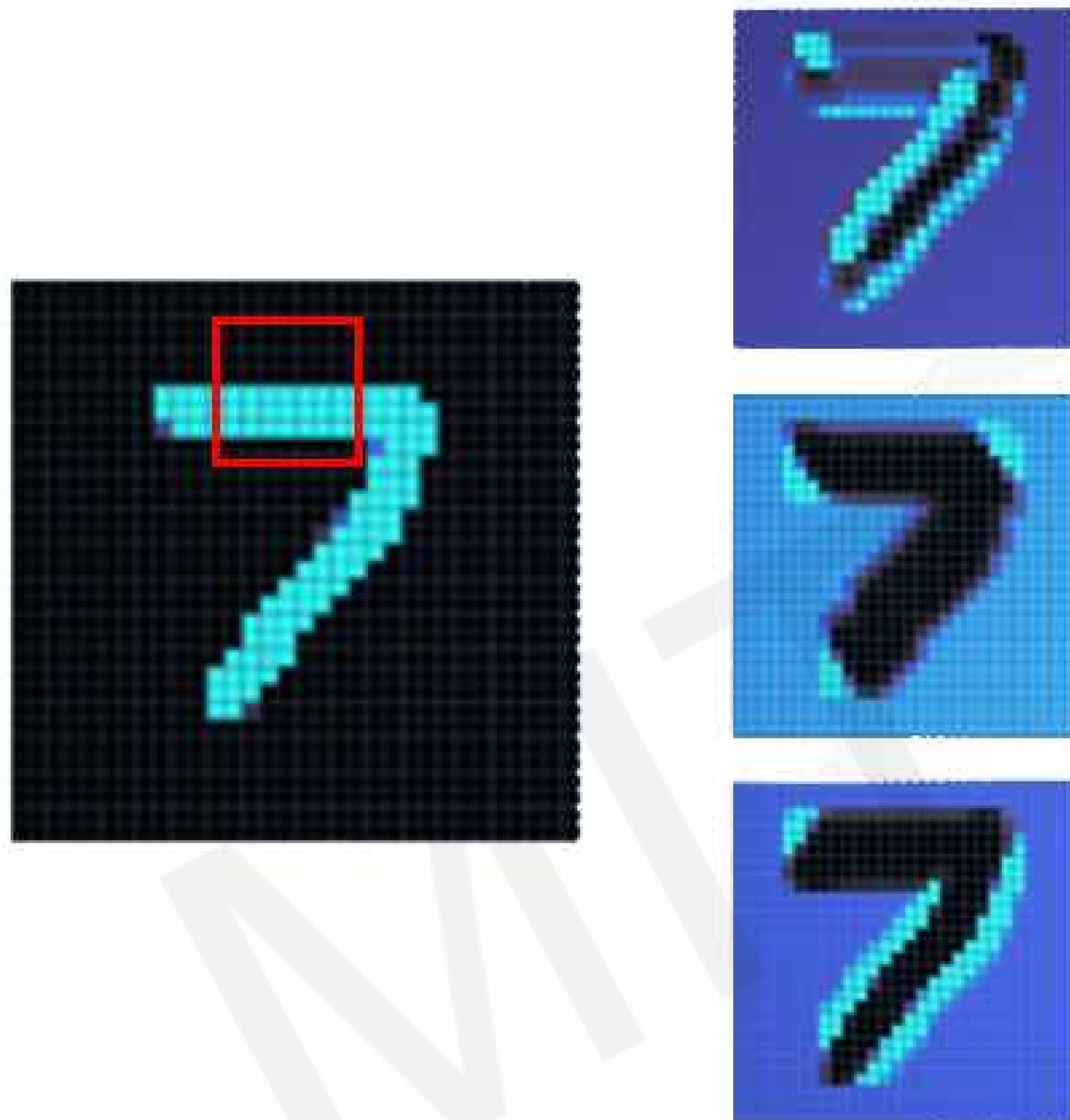


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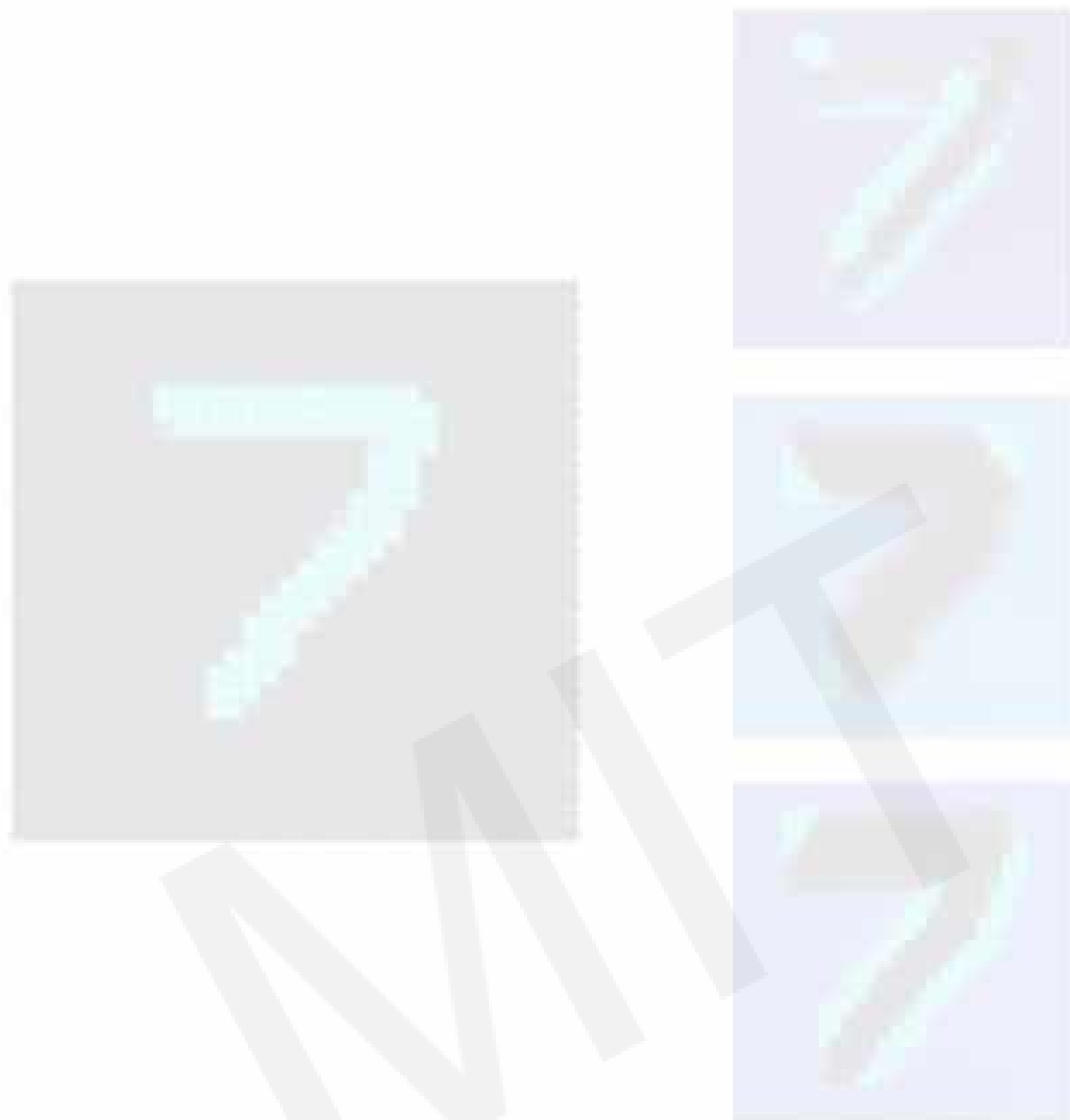


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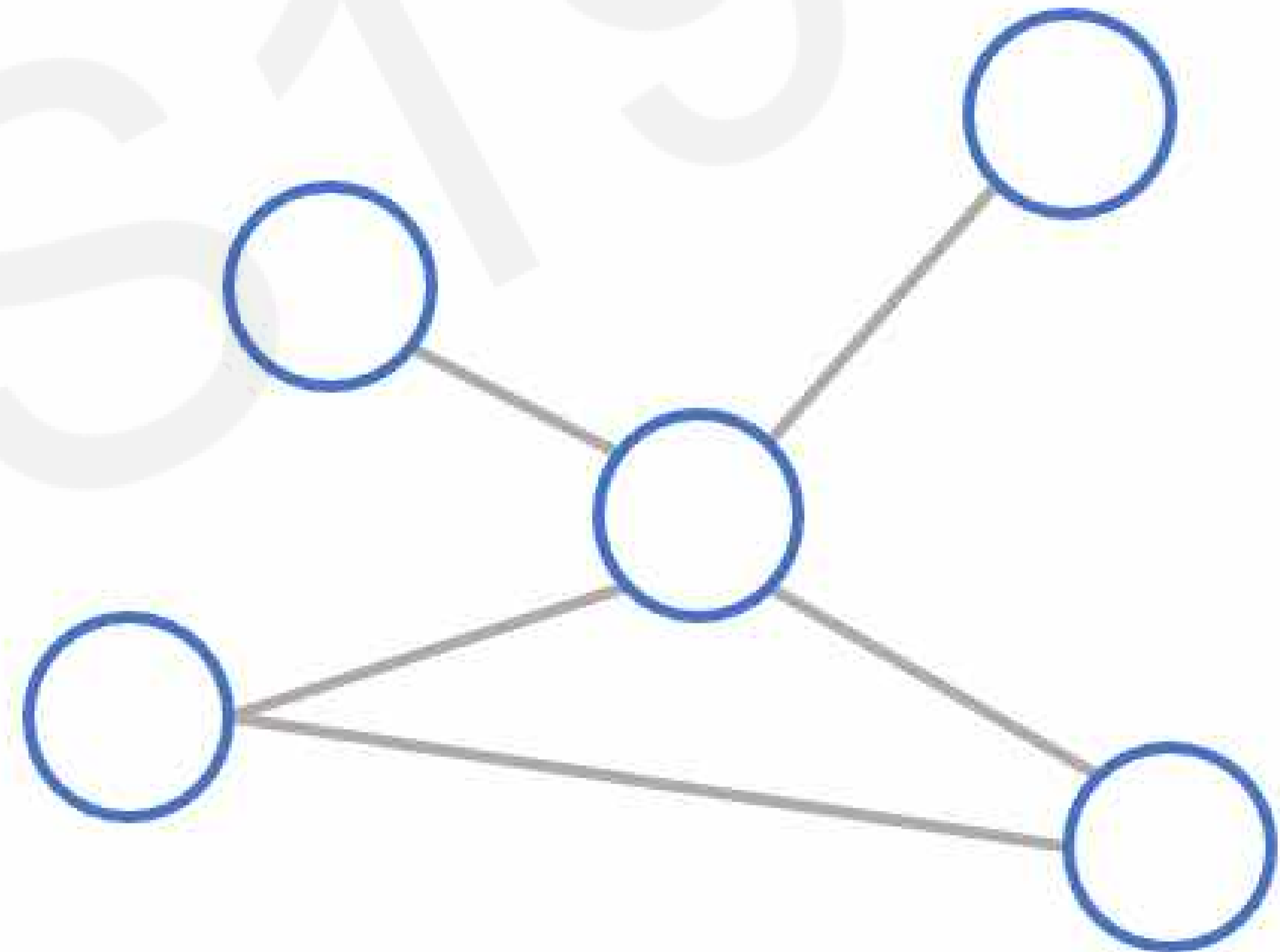


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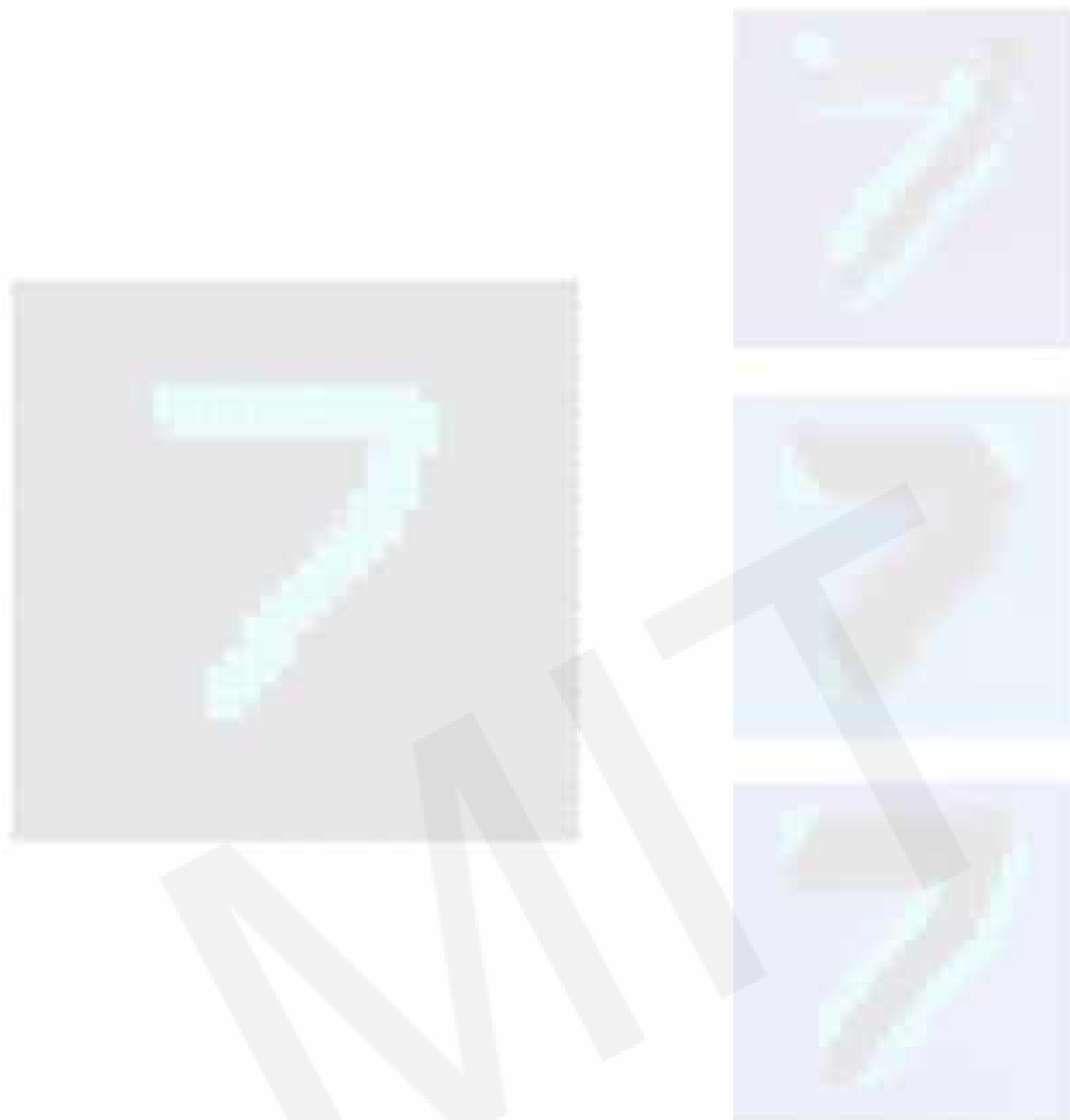


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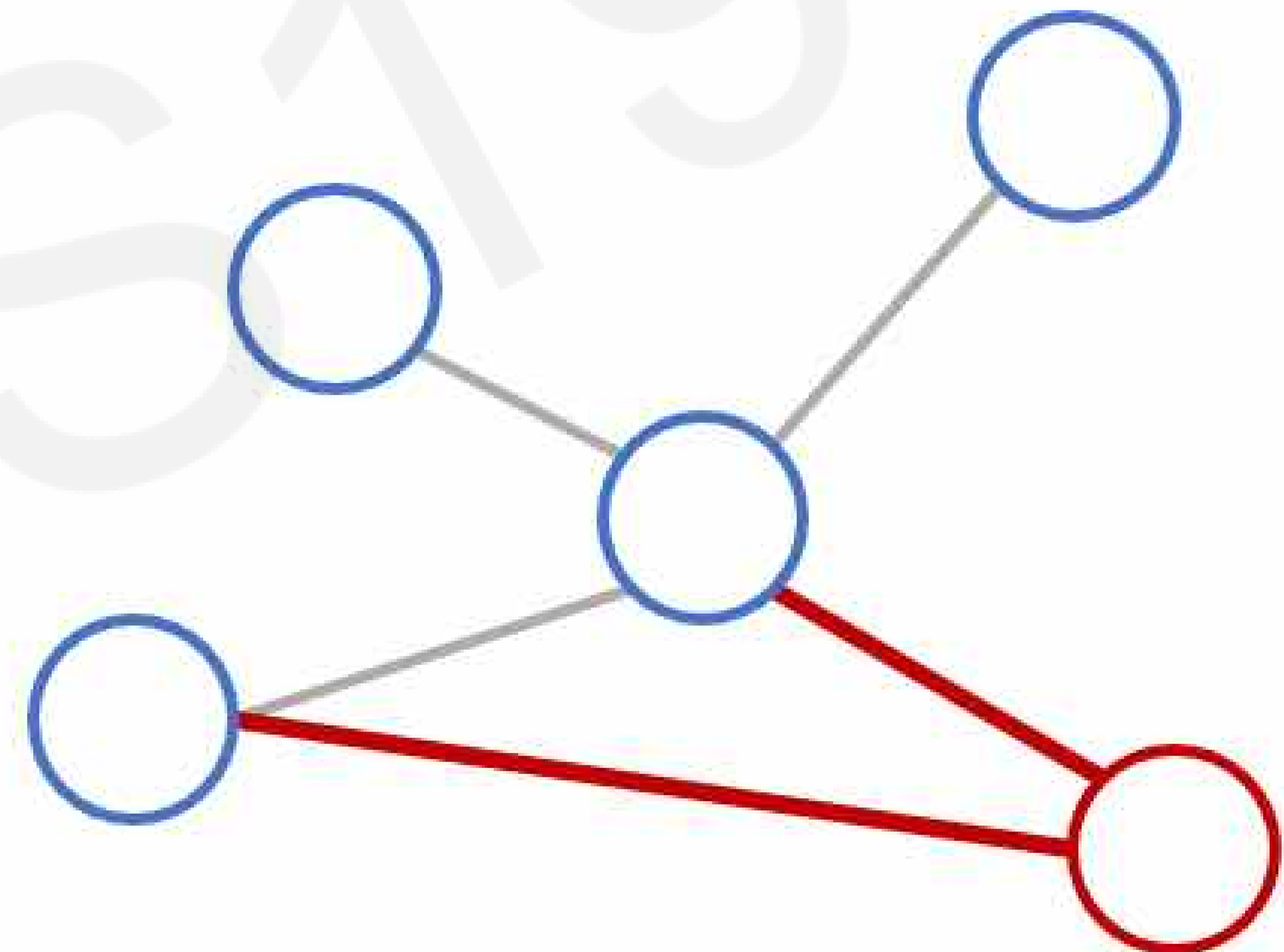


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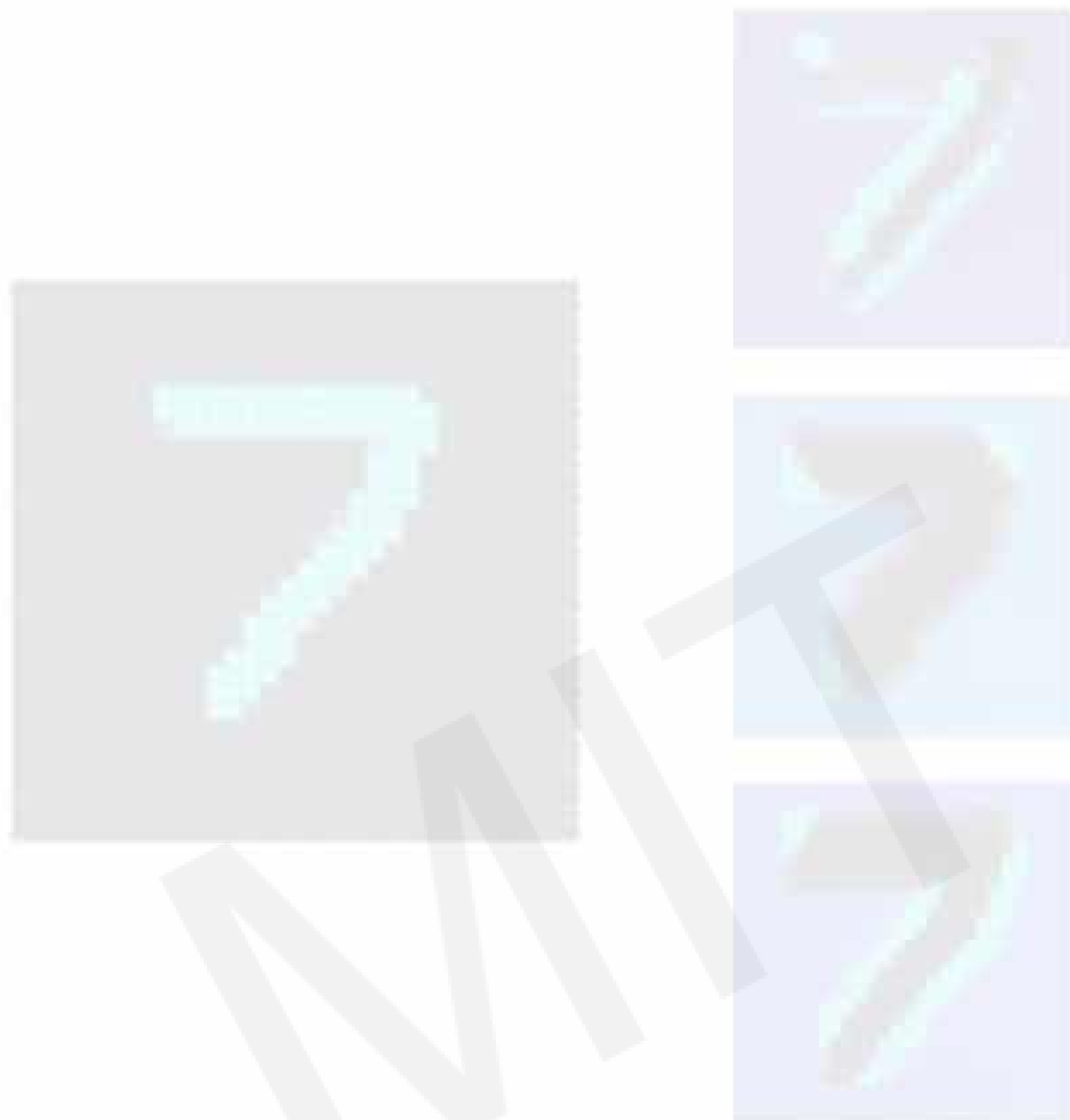


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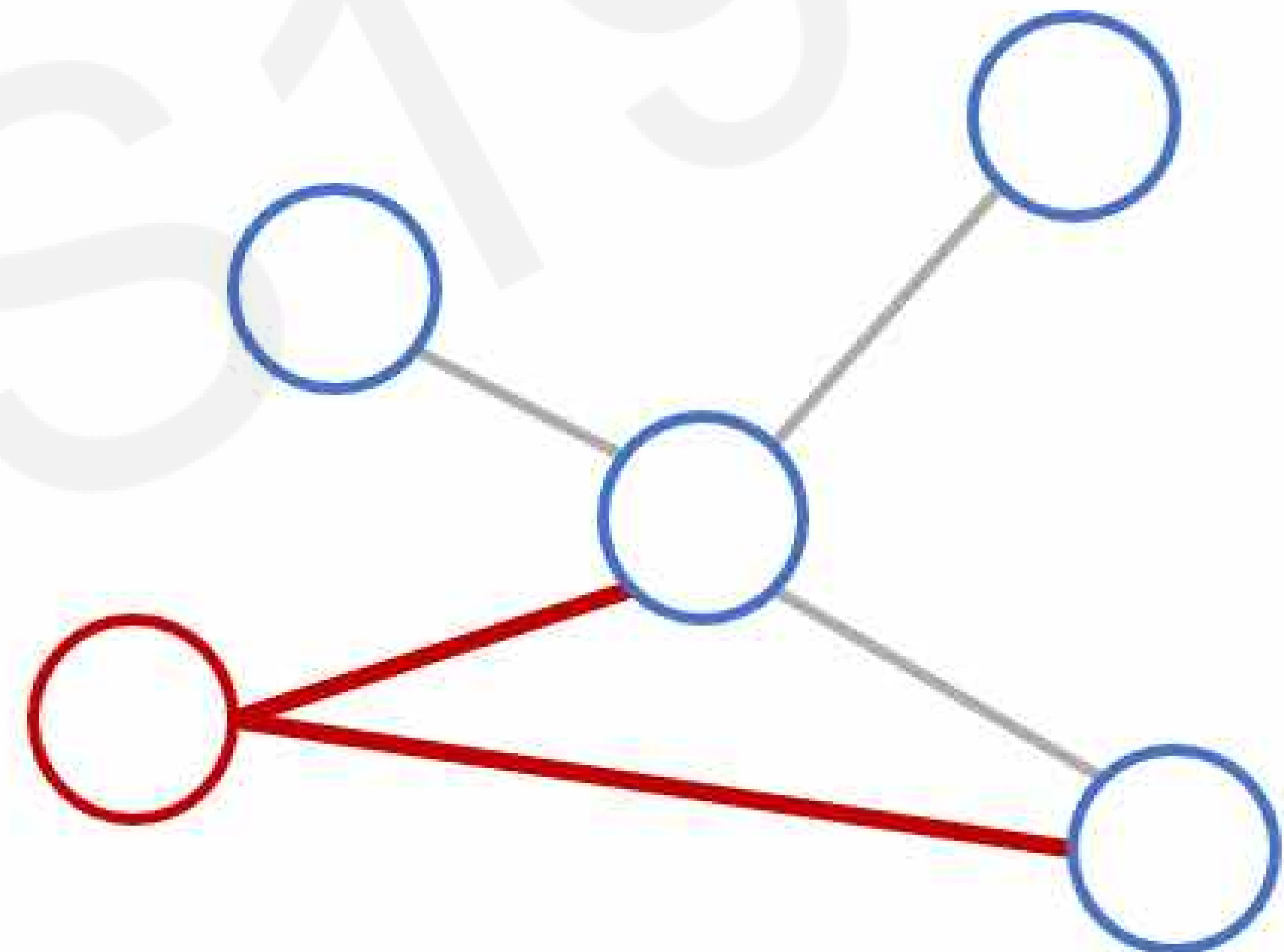


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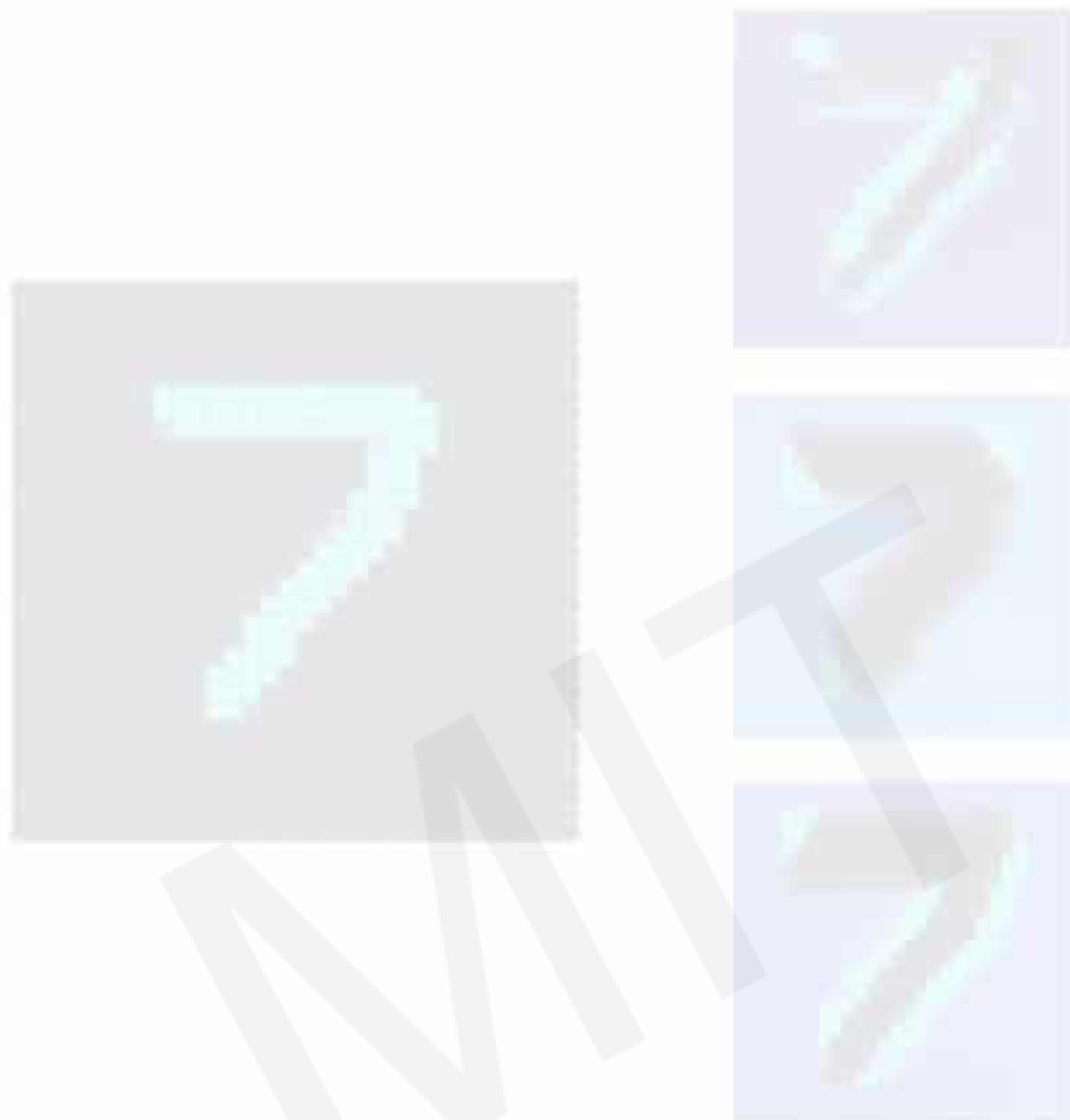


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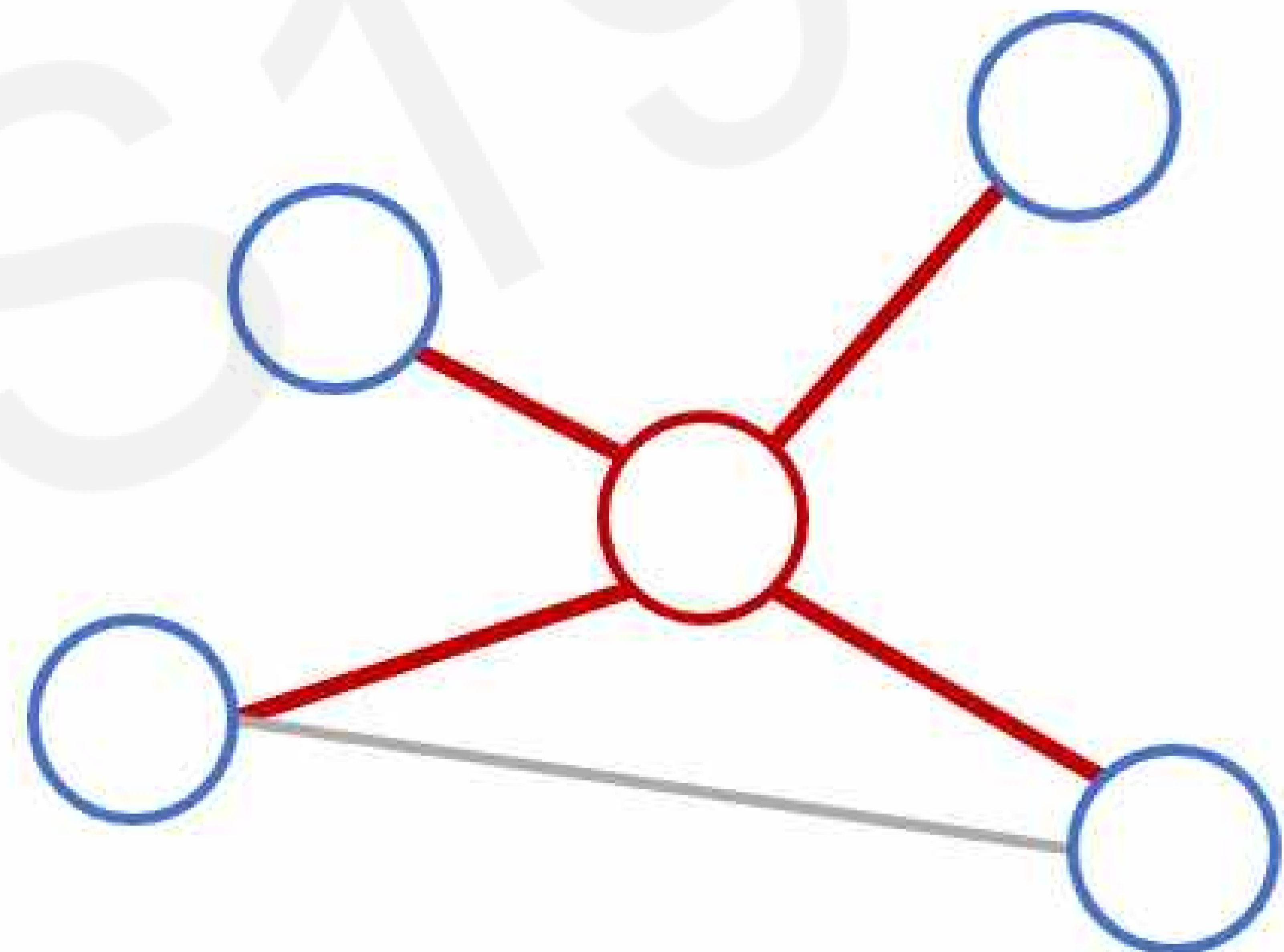


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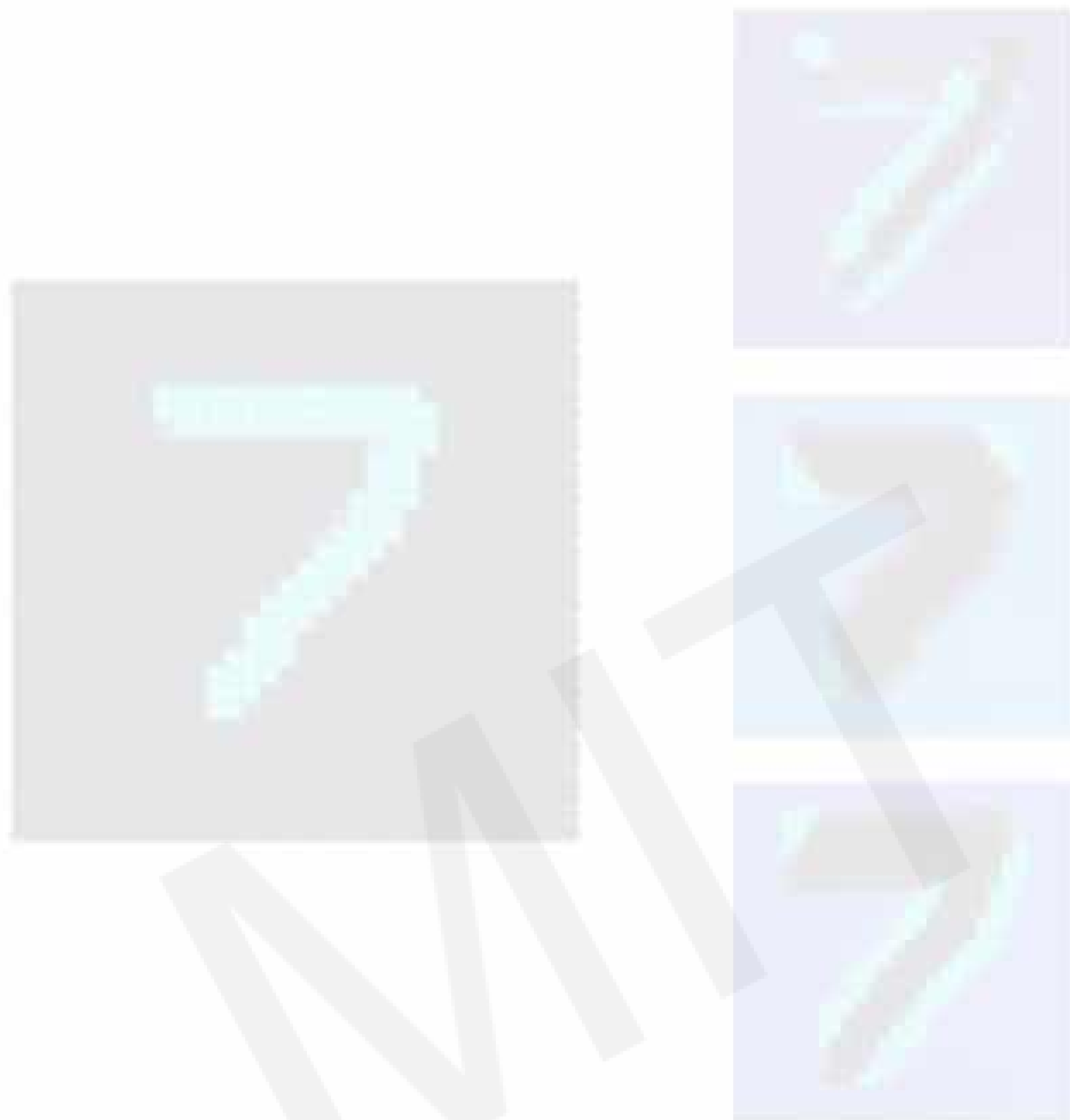


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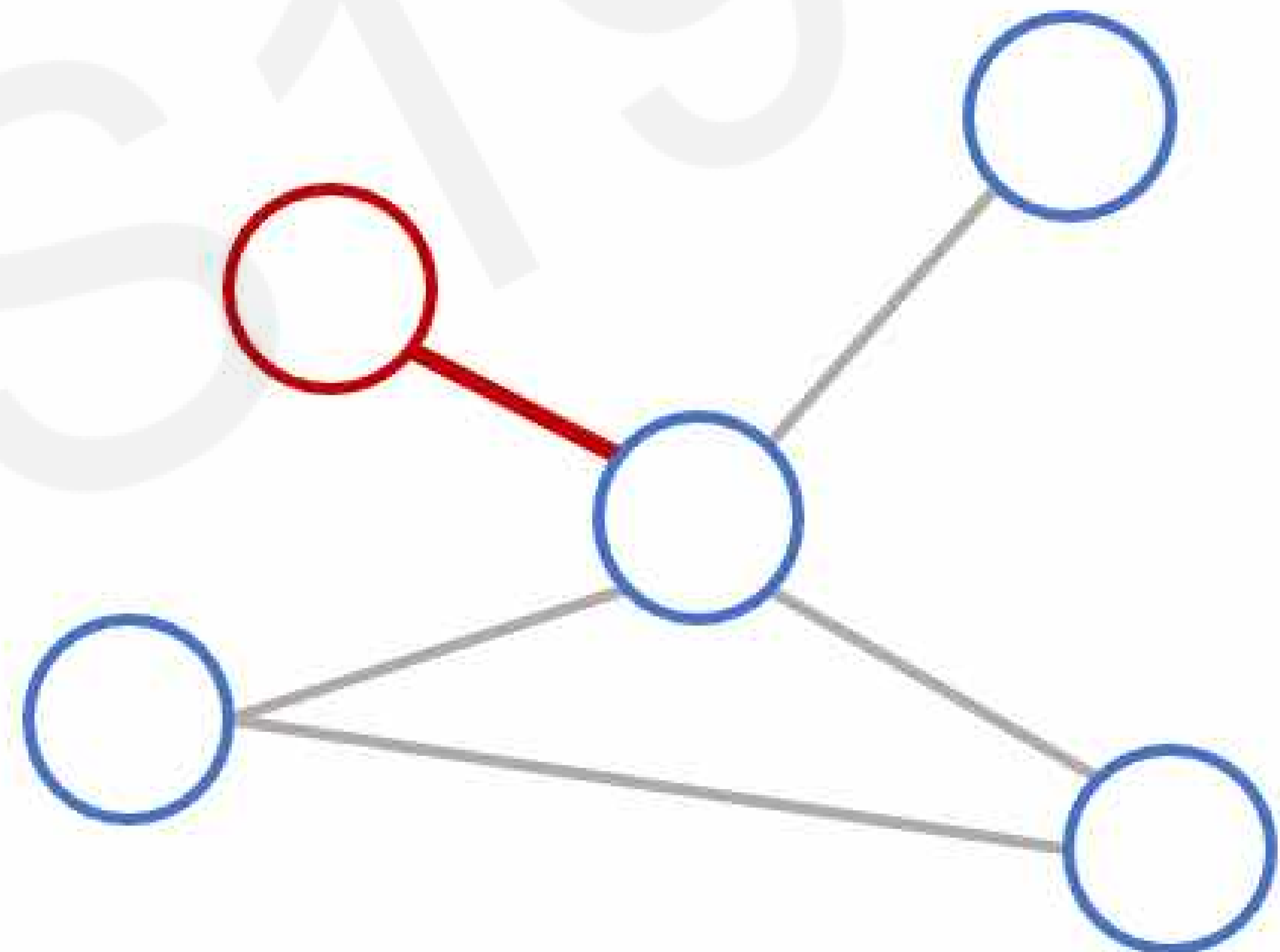


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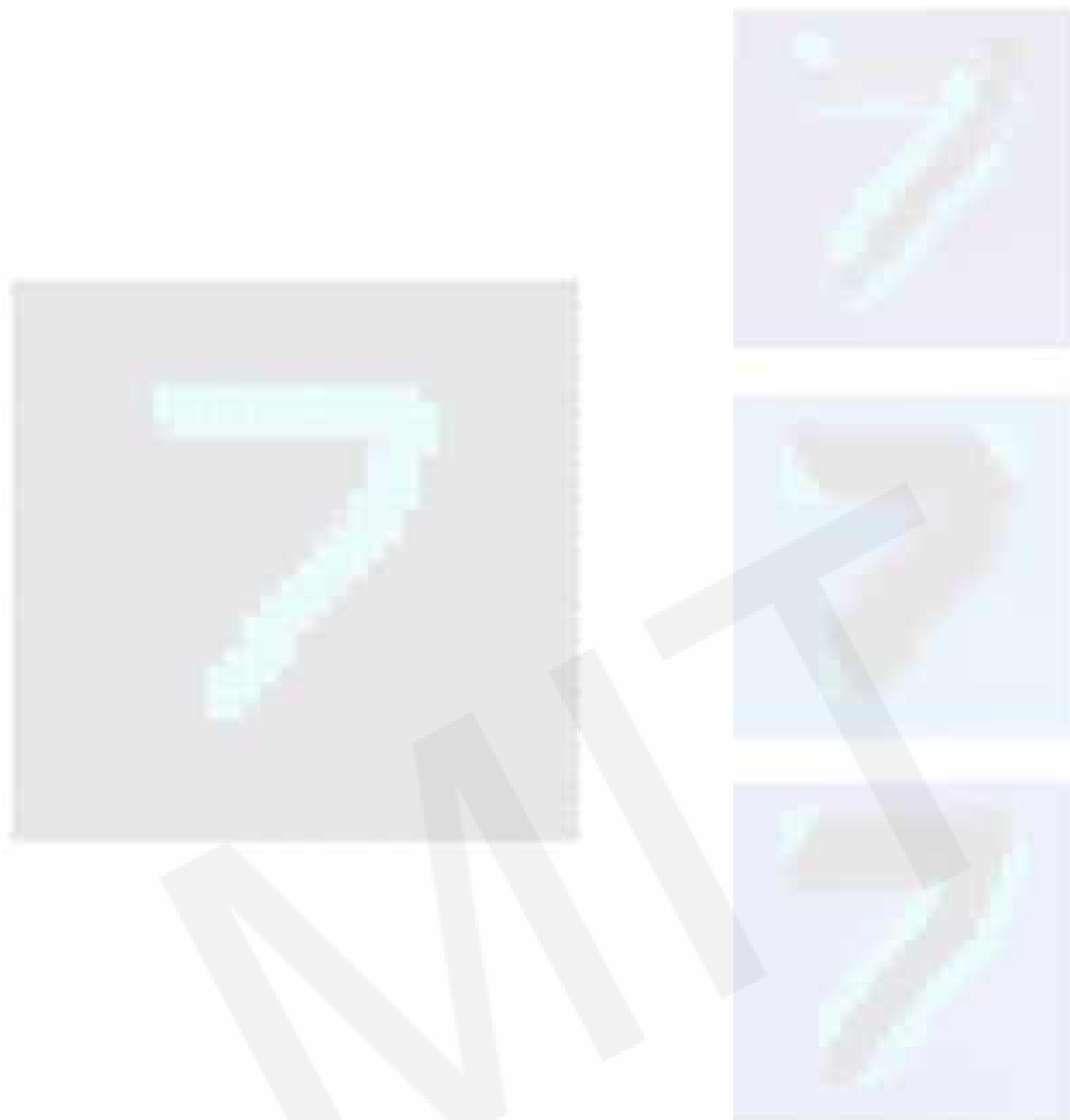


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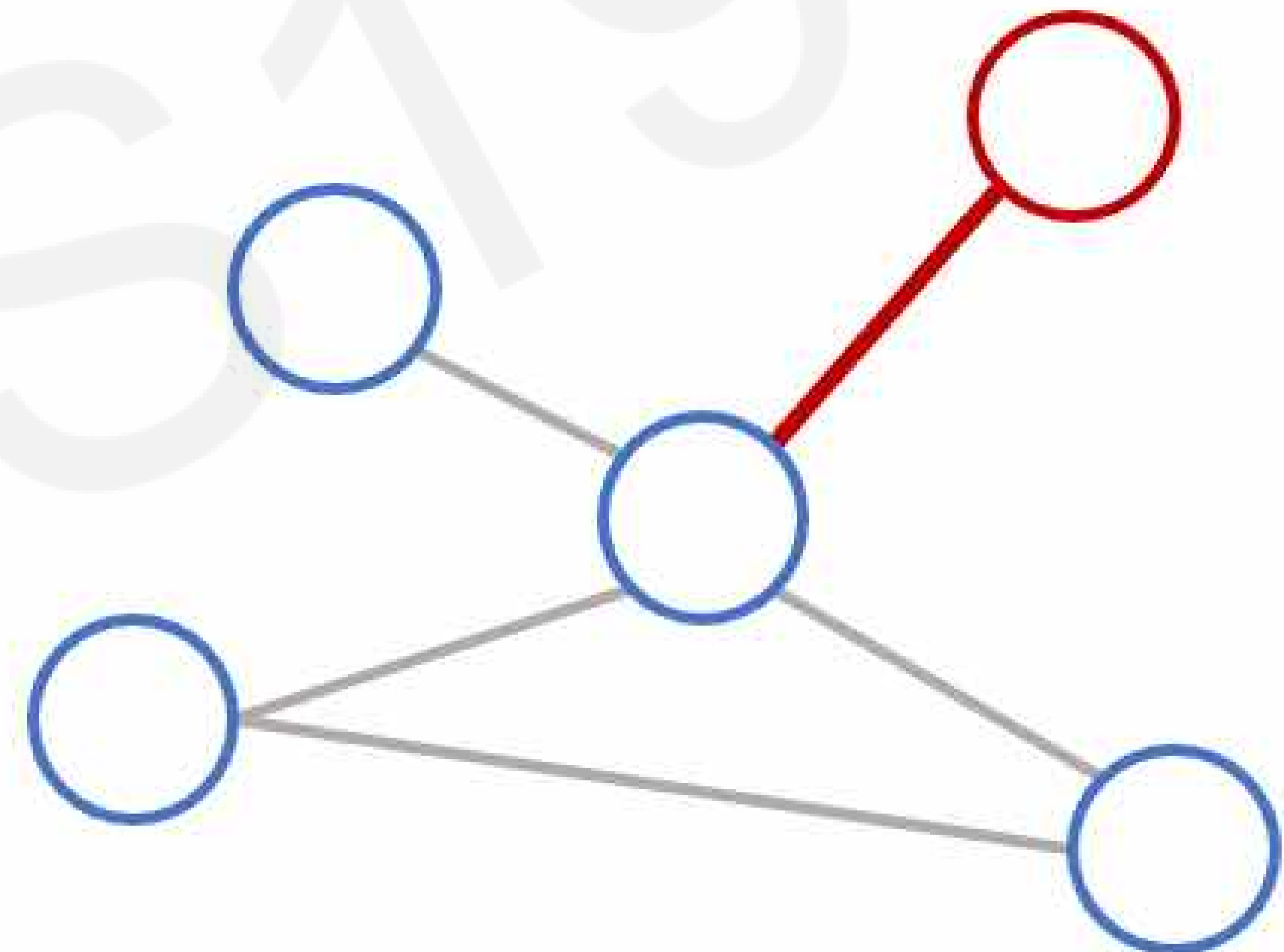


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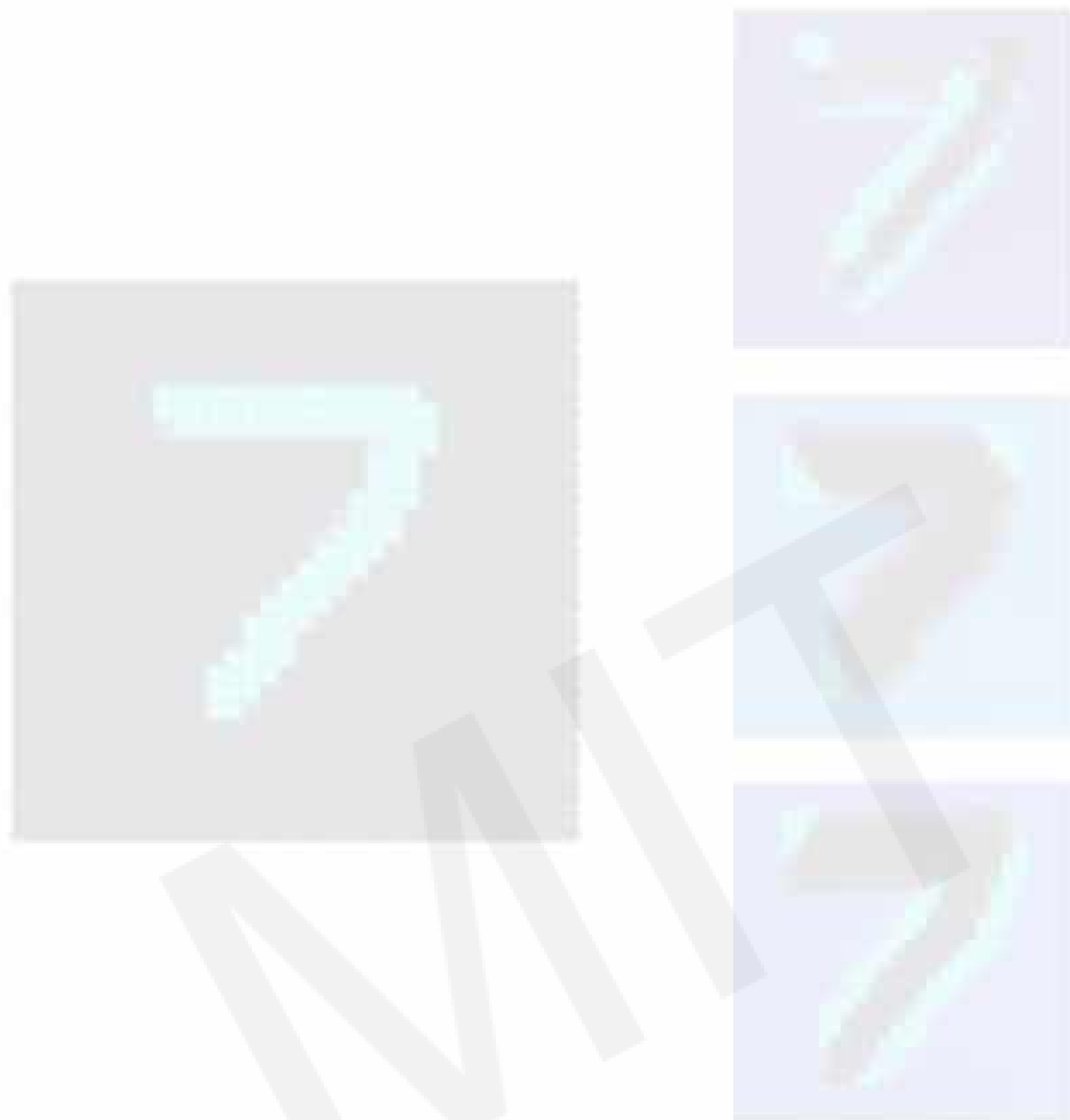


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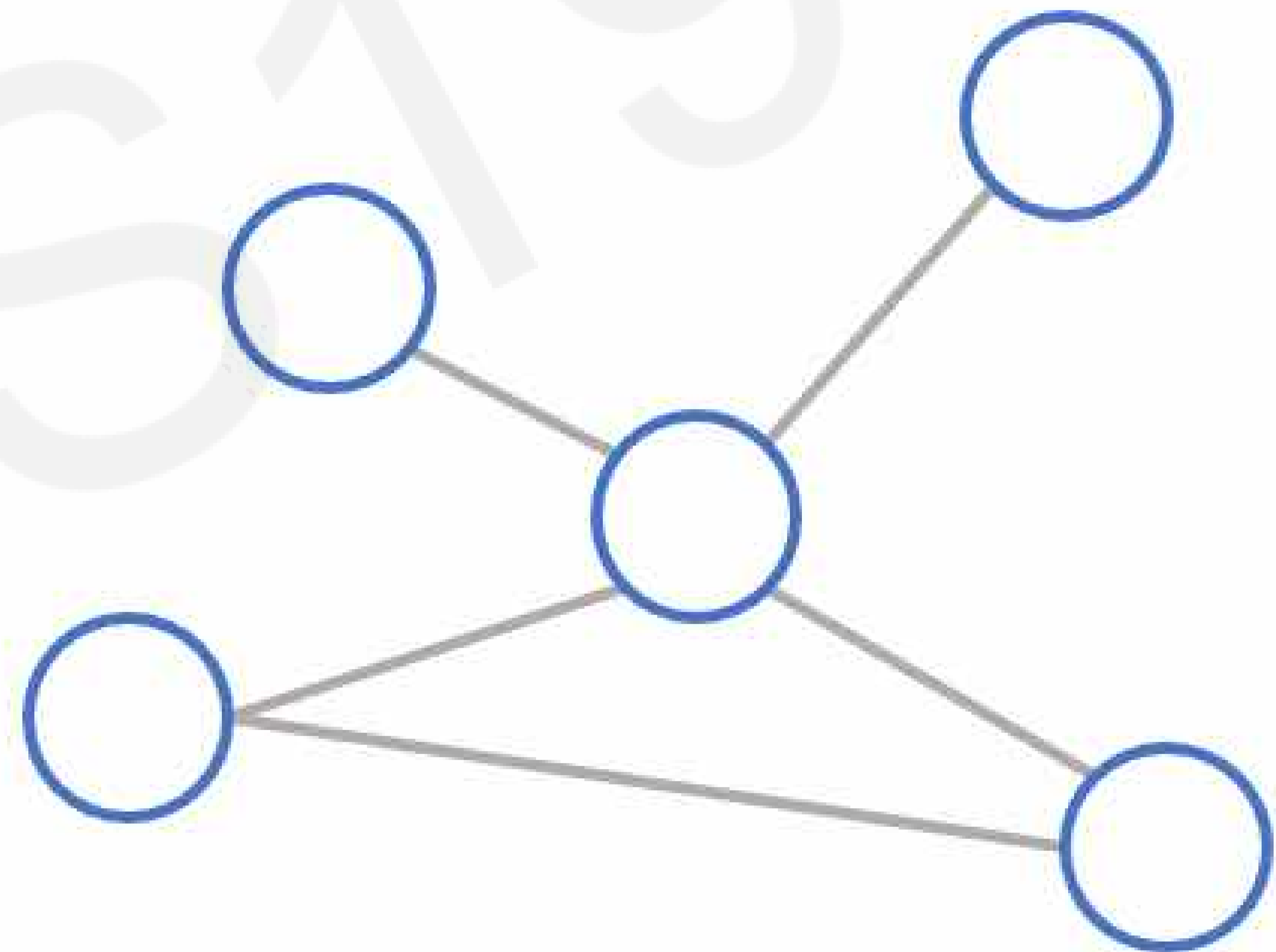


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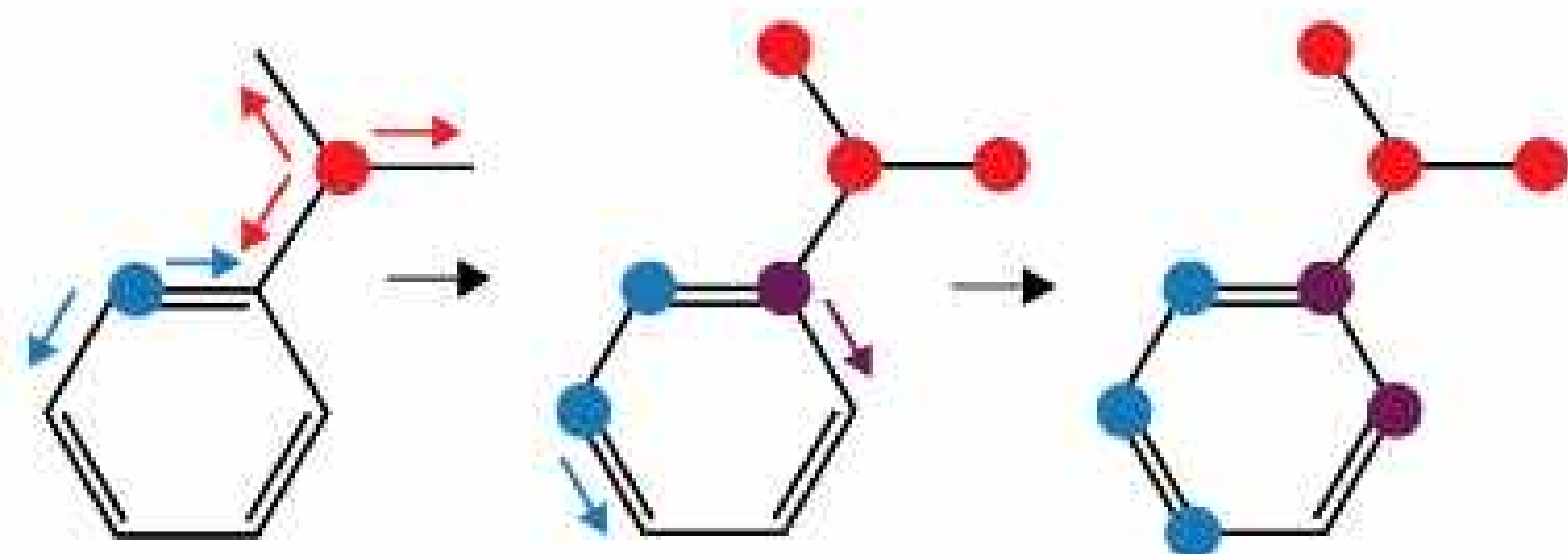


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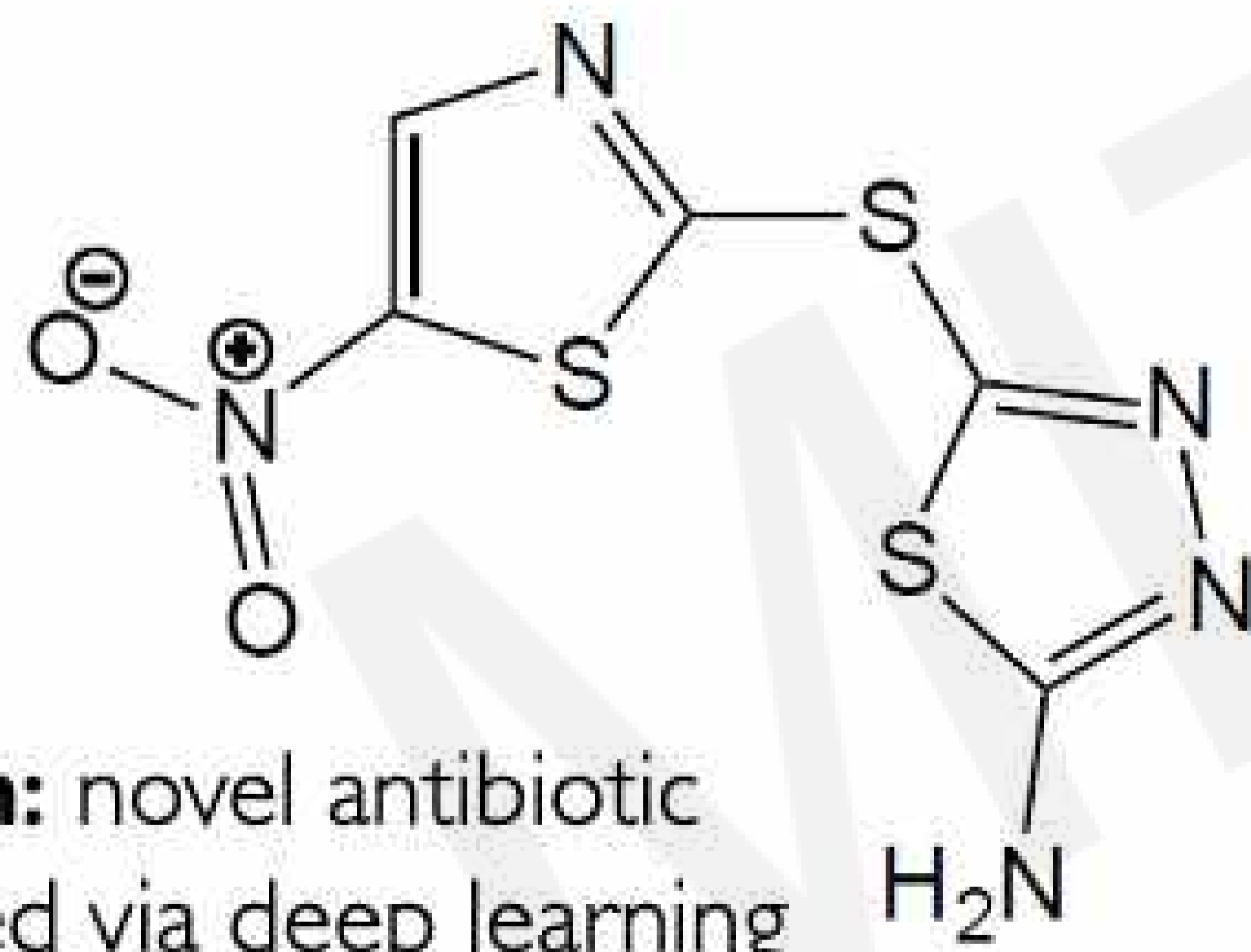
Applications of Graph Neural Networks

Molecular Discovery



Message-passing neural network

Jin+ *JCIM* 2019; Soleimany+ *ACS Cent. Sci.* 2021



Halicin: novel antibiotic discovered via deep learning

Stokes+ *Cell* 2020

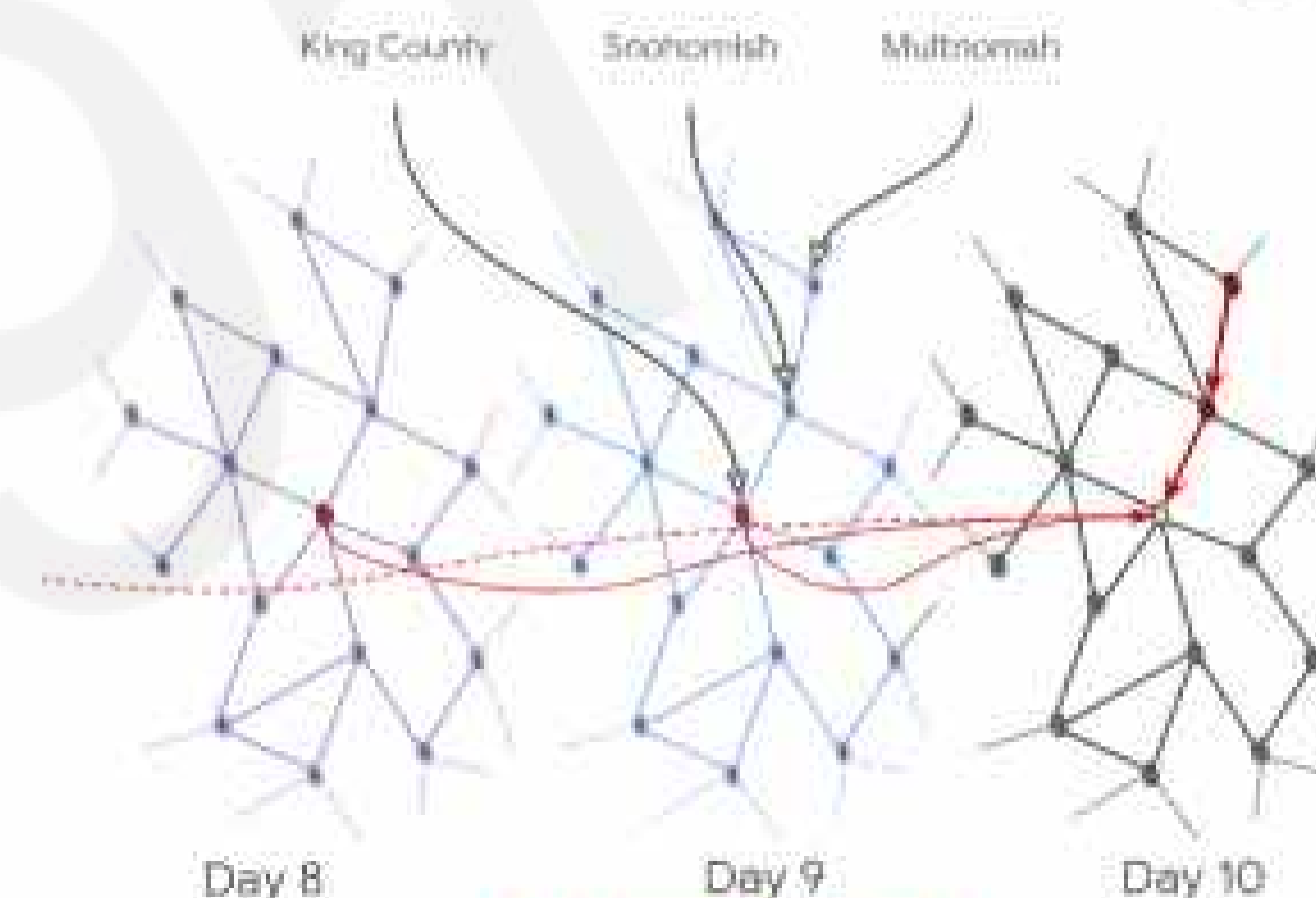
Traffic Prediction

ETA Improvements with GoogleMaps

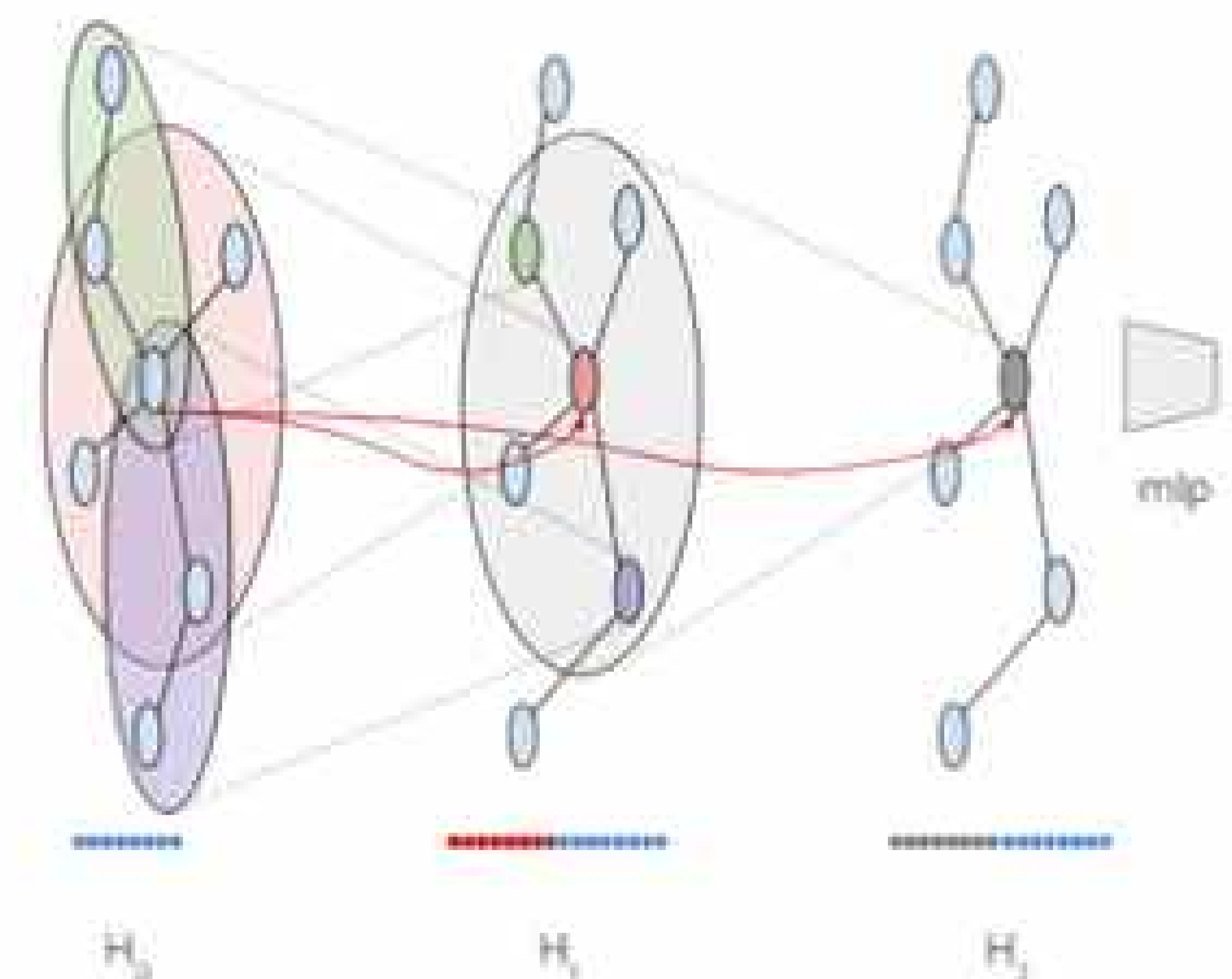


DeepMind + GoogleMaps

COVID-19 Forecasting



Spatio-temporal data

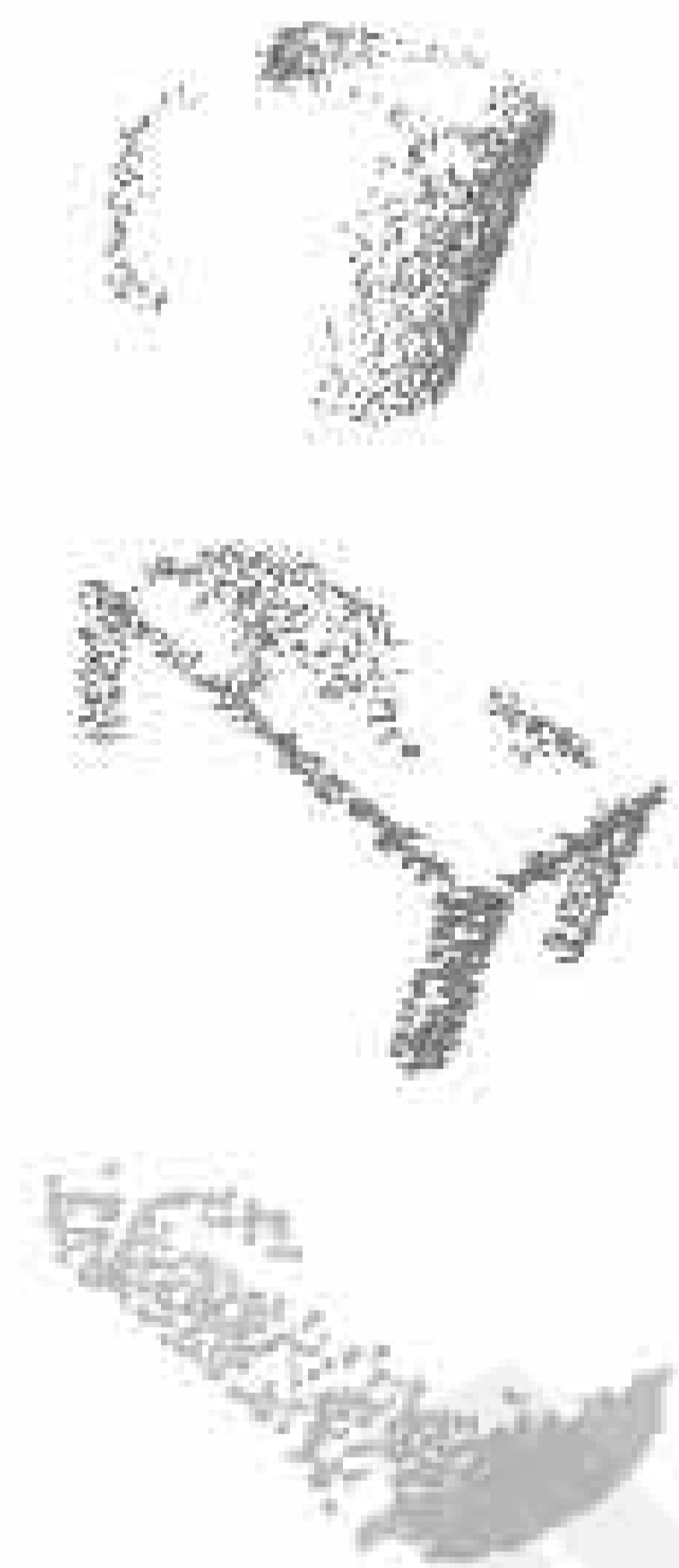


Graph network + temporal embedding

Kapoor+ *KDD* 2020

Learning From 3D Data

Point clouds are **unordered sets** with **spatial dependence** between points



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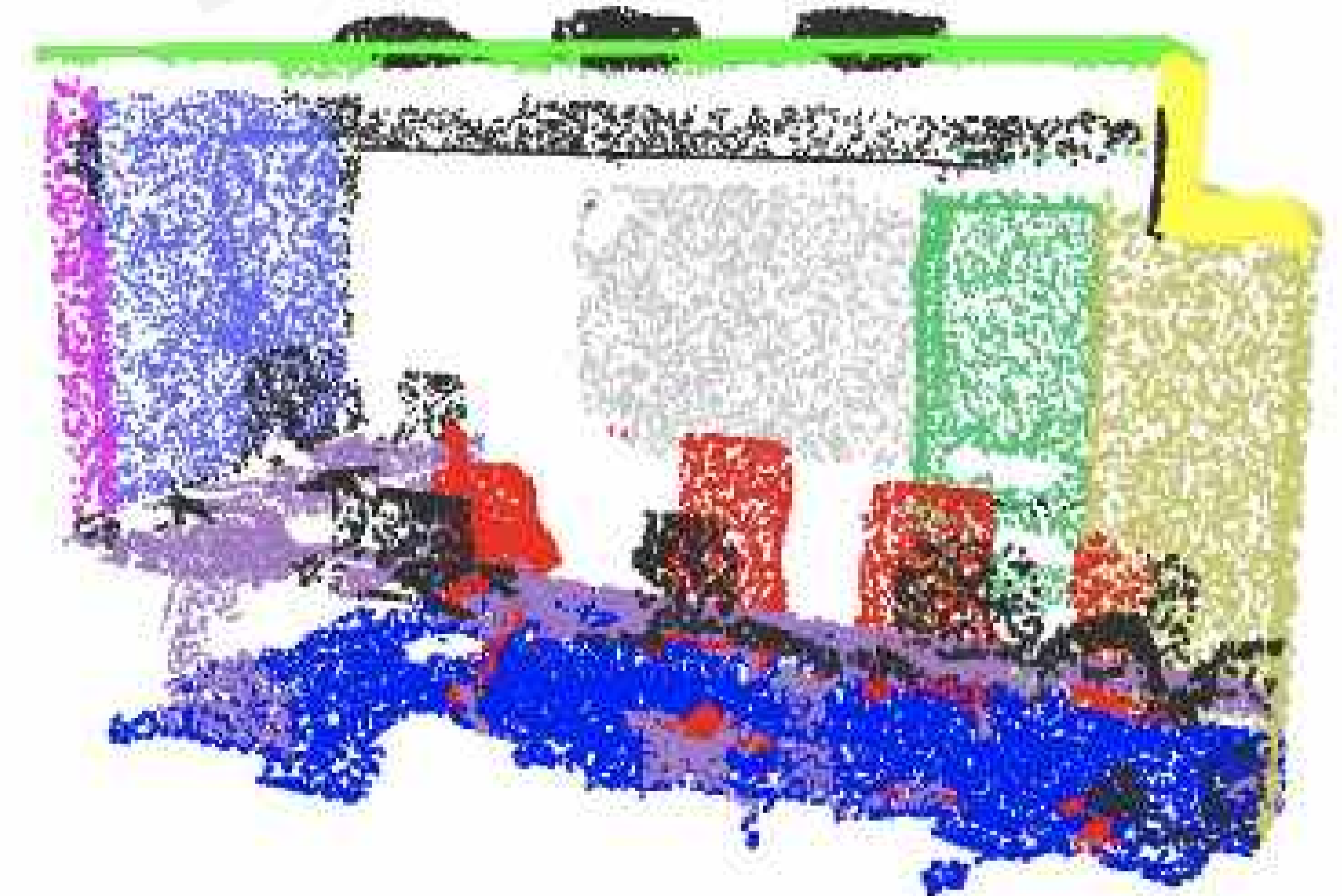
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Classification



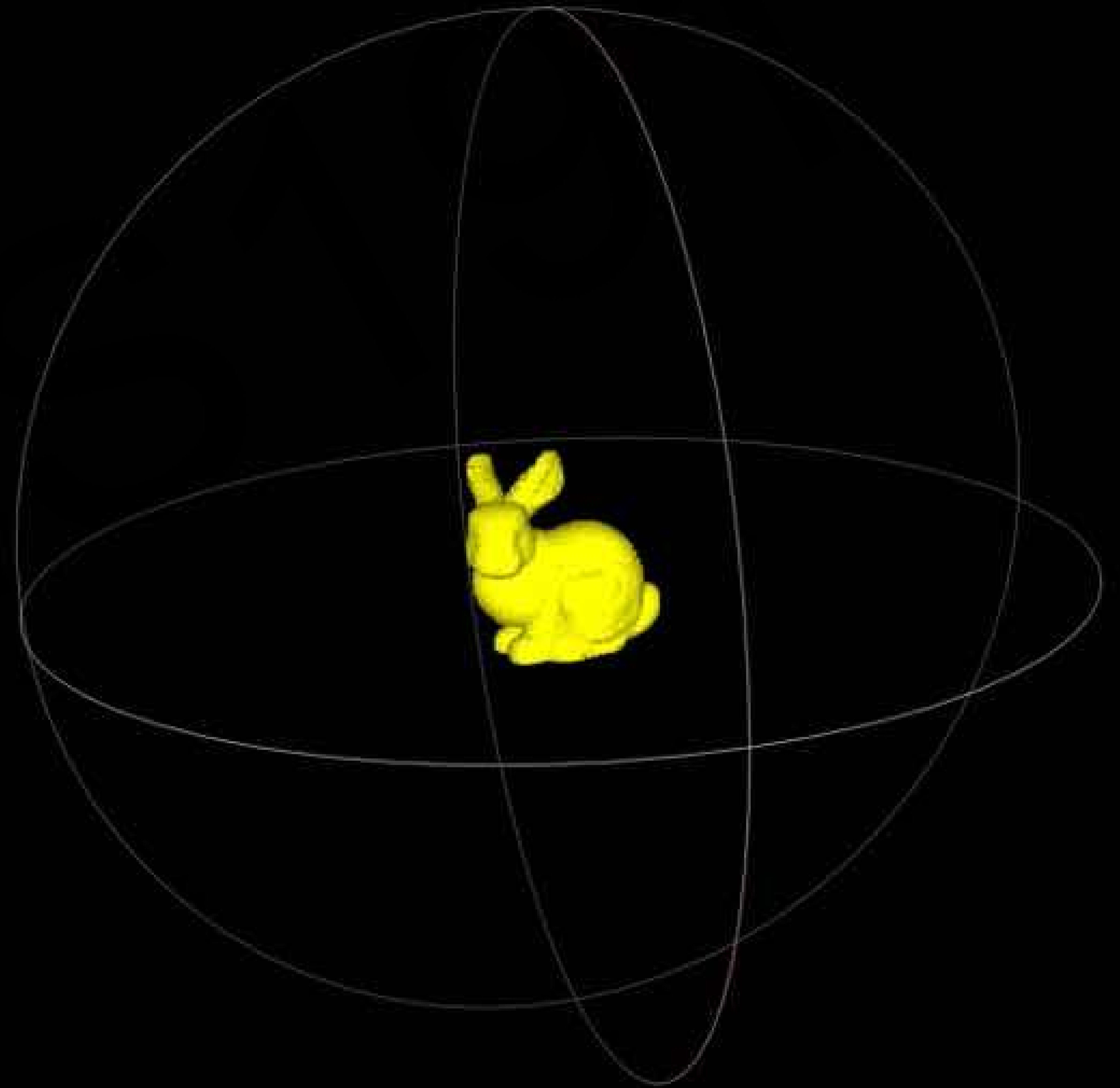
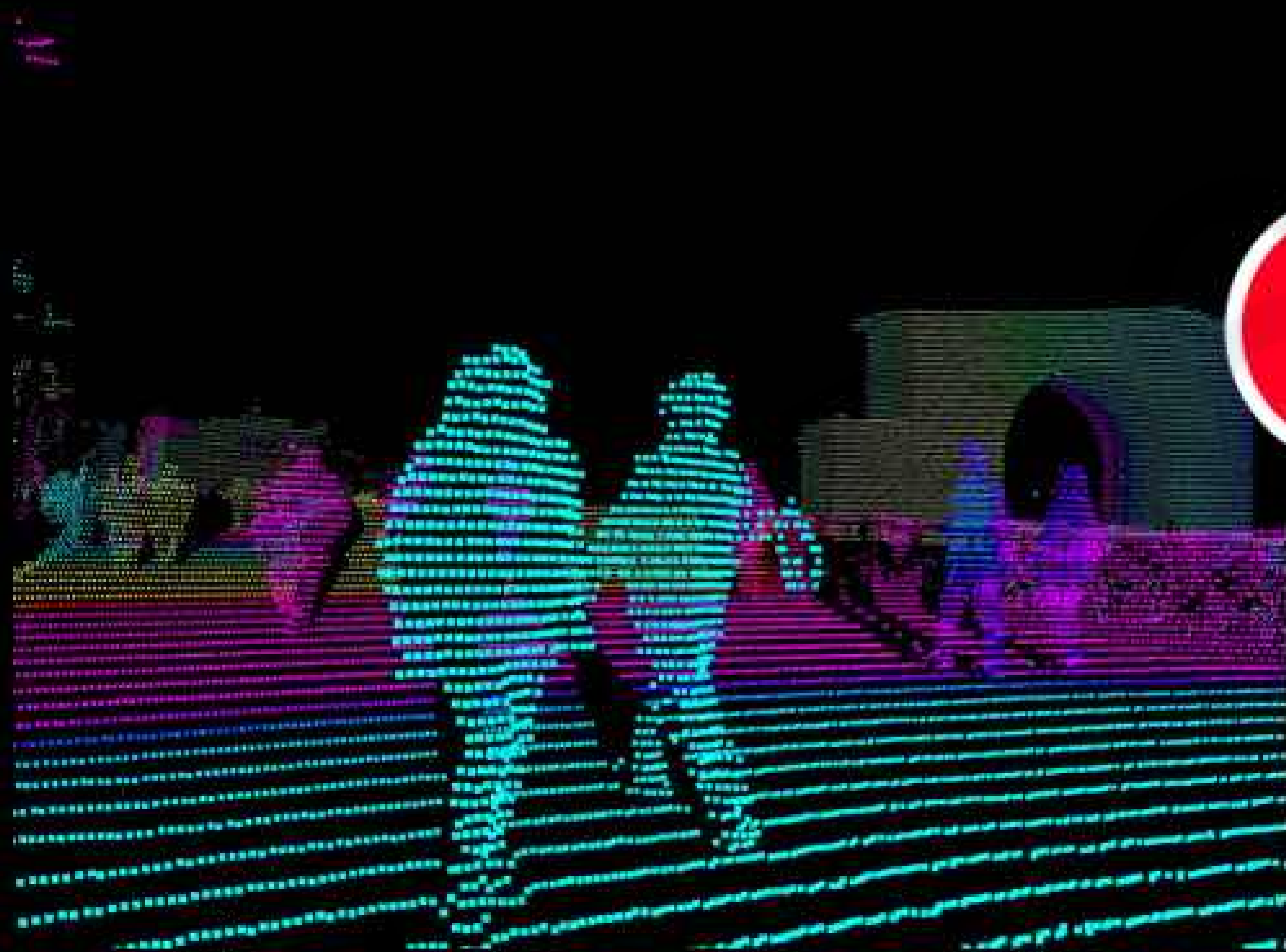
Part Segmentation



Semantic Segmentation

Extending Graph CNNs to Pointclouds

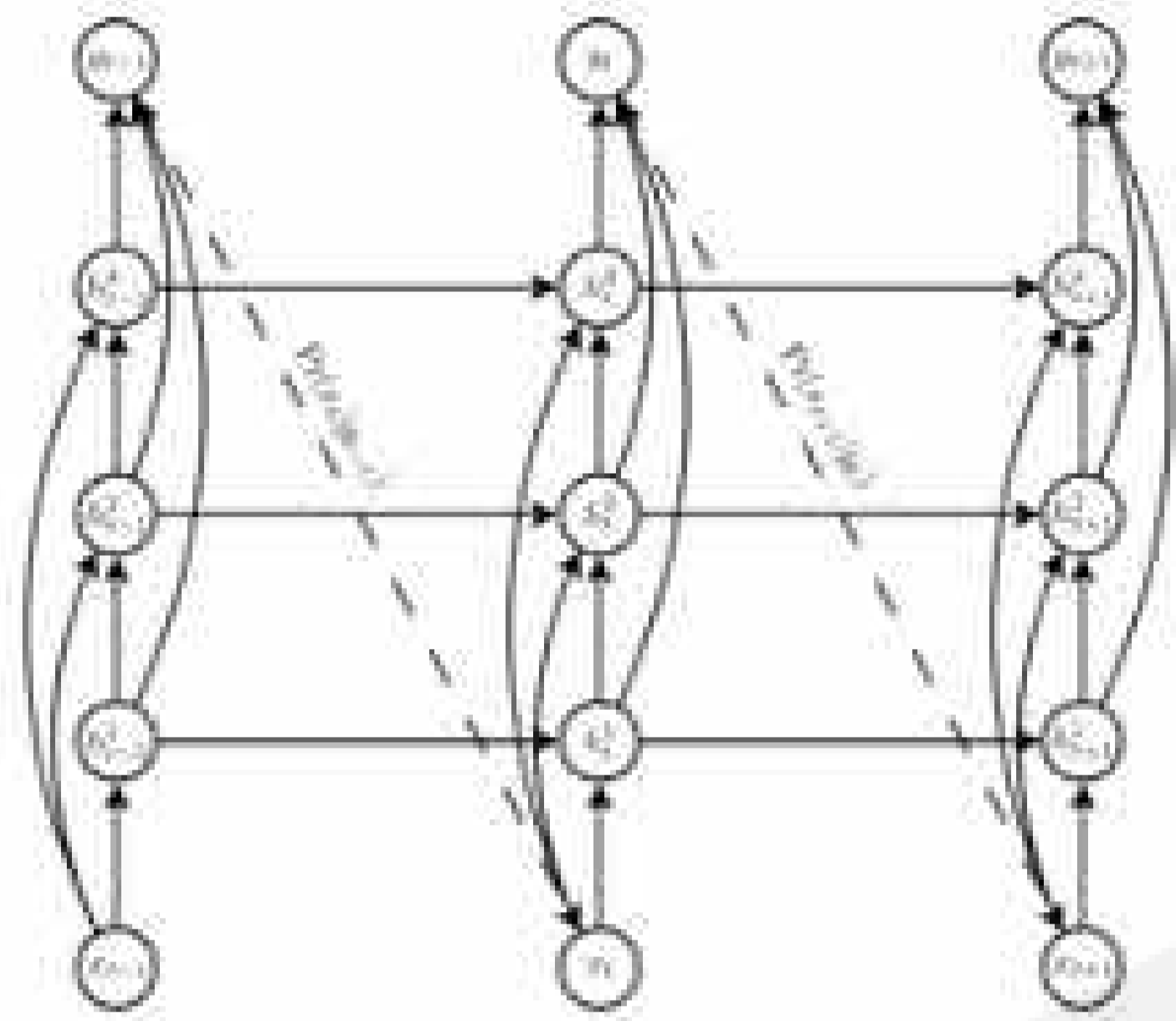
Capture local geometric features of point clouds while maintaining order invariance



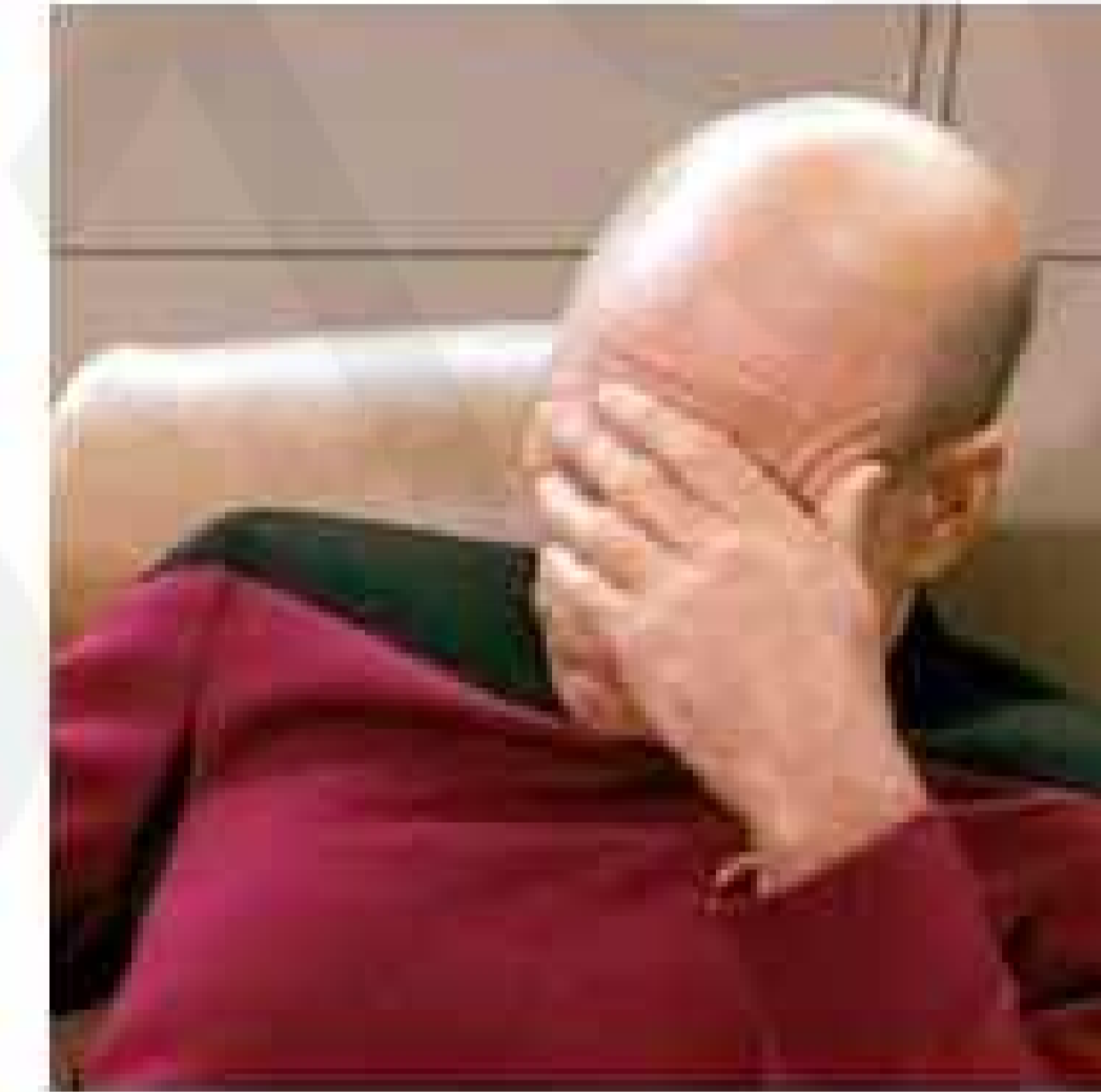
New Frontiers II: Automated Machine Learning & AI

Motivation: Automated Machine Learning

Standard deep neural networks are optimized for **a single task**



Complexity of models increases



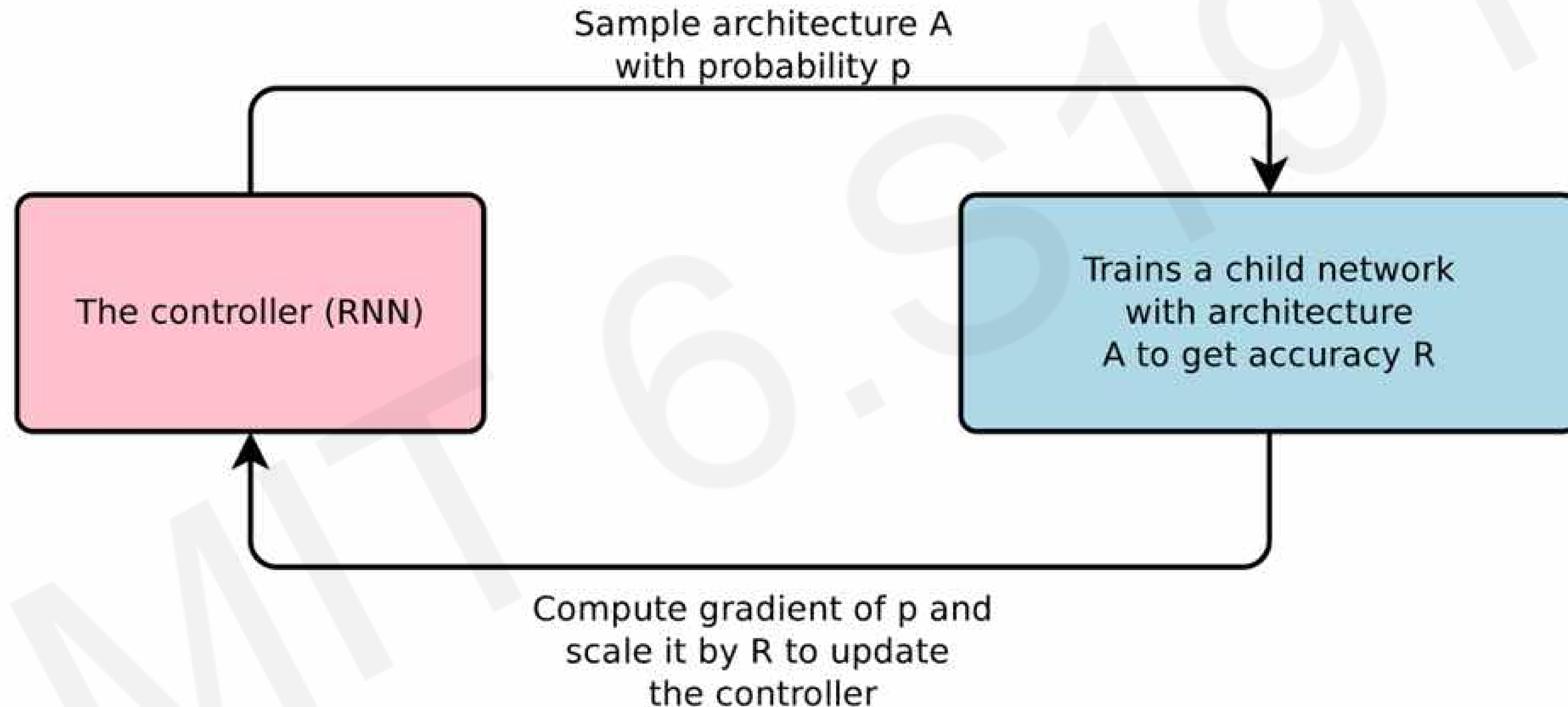
Greater need for specialized engineers

Often require **expert knowledge** to build an architecture for a given task

Build a learning algorithm that **learns which model** to use to solve a given problem

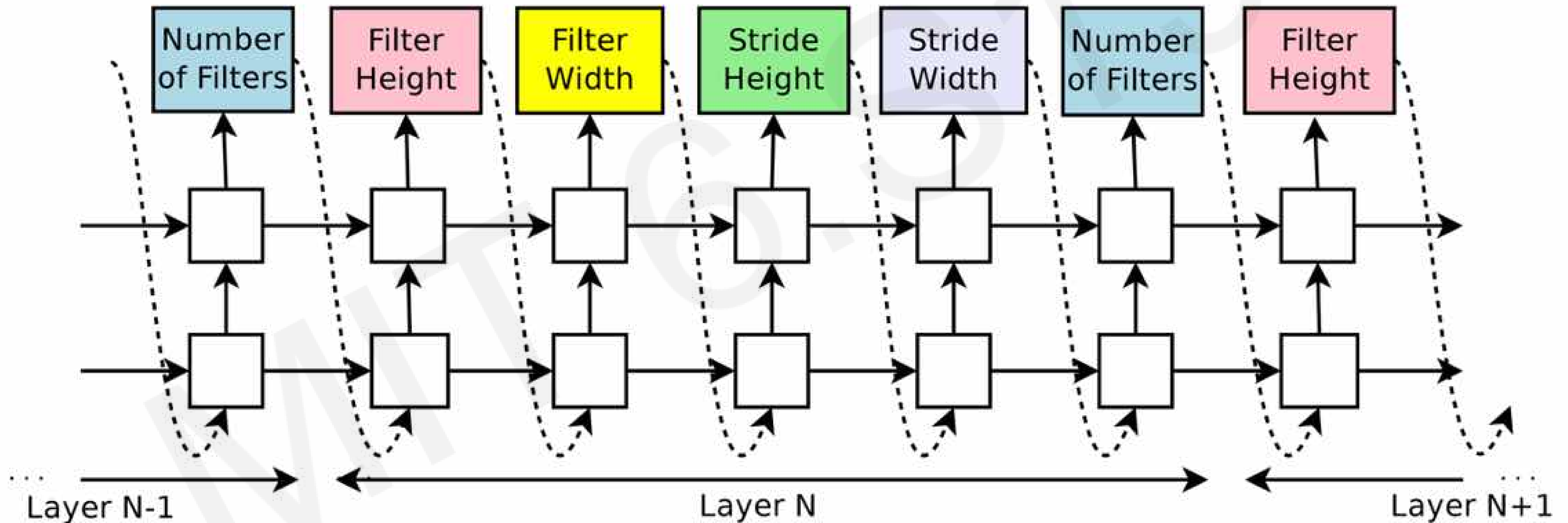
AutoML

Automated Machine Learning (AutoML)

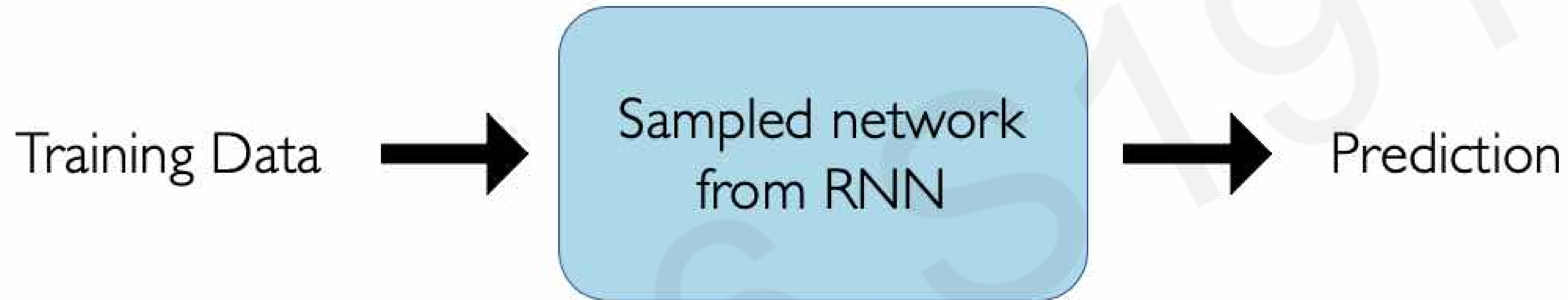


AutoML: Model Controller

At each step, the model samples a brand new network



AutoML: The Child Network

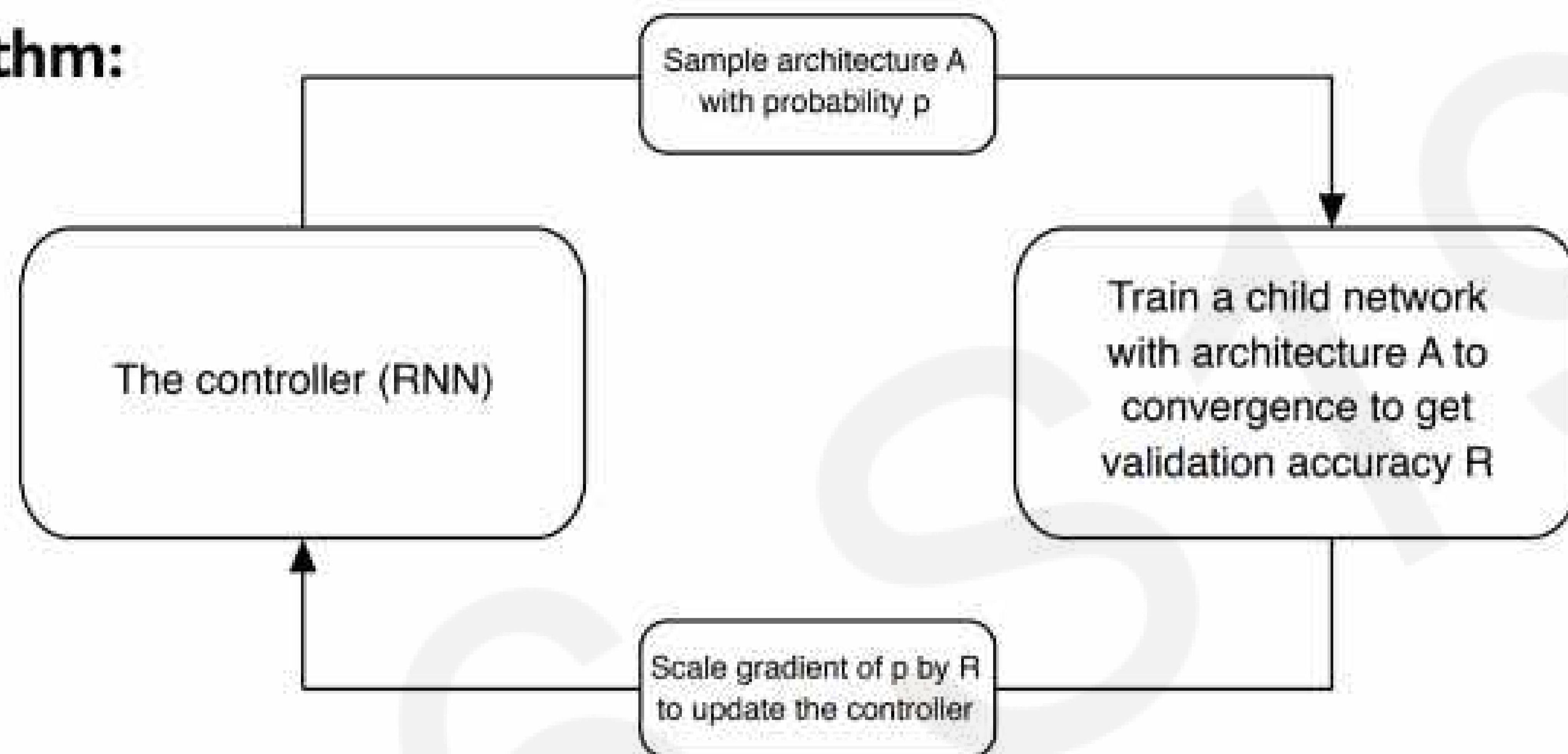


Compute final accuracy on this dataset.

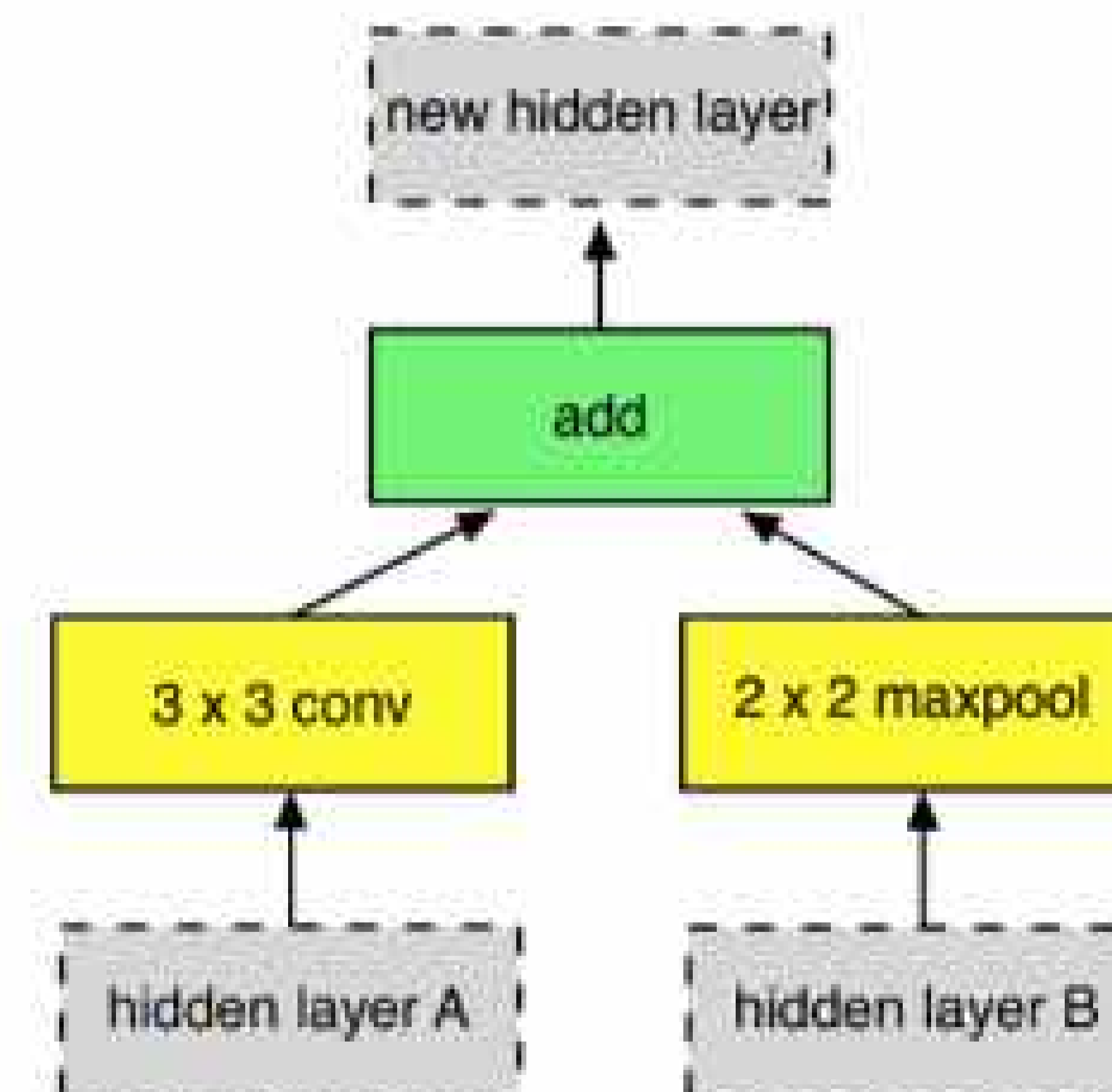
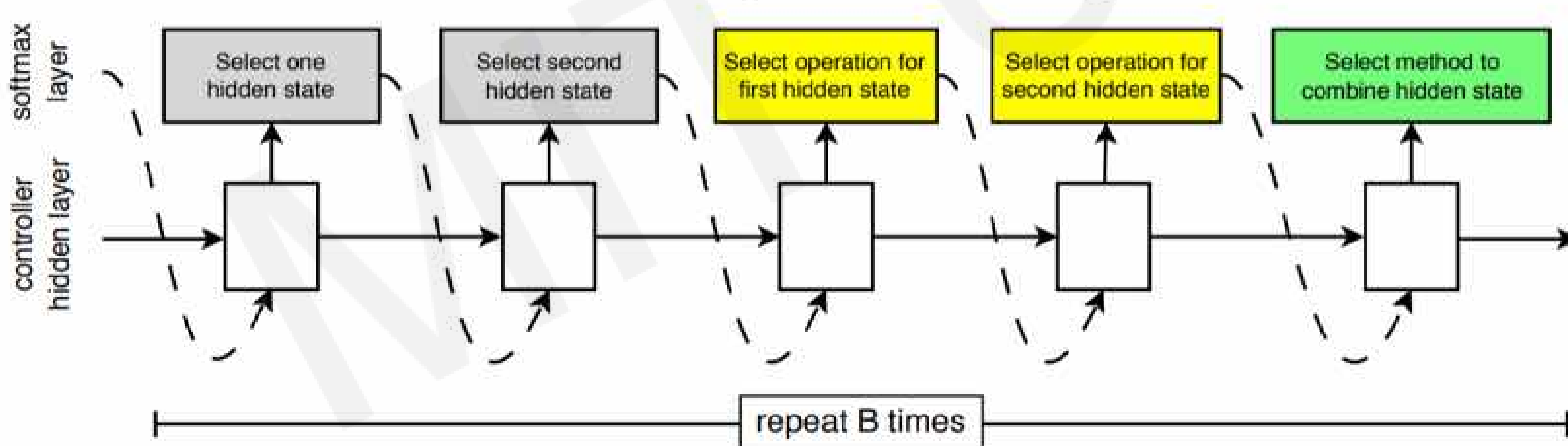
Update RNN controller based on the accuracy of the child network after training.

Learning Architectures for Image Recognition

Neural architecture search algorithm:

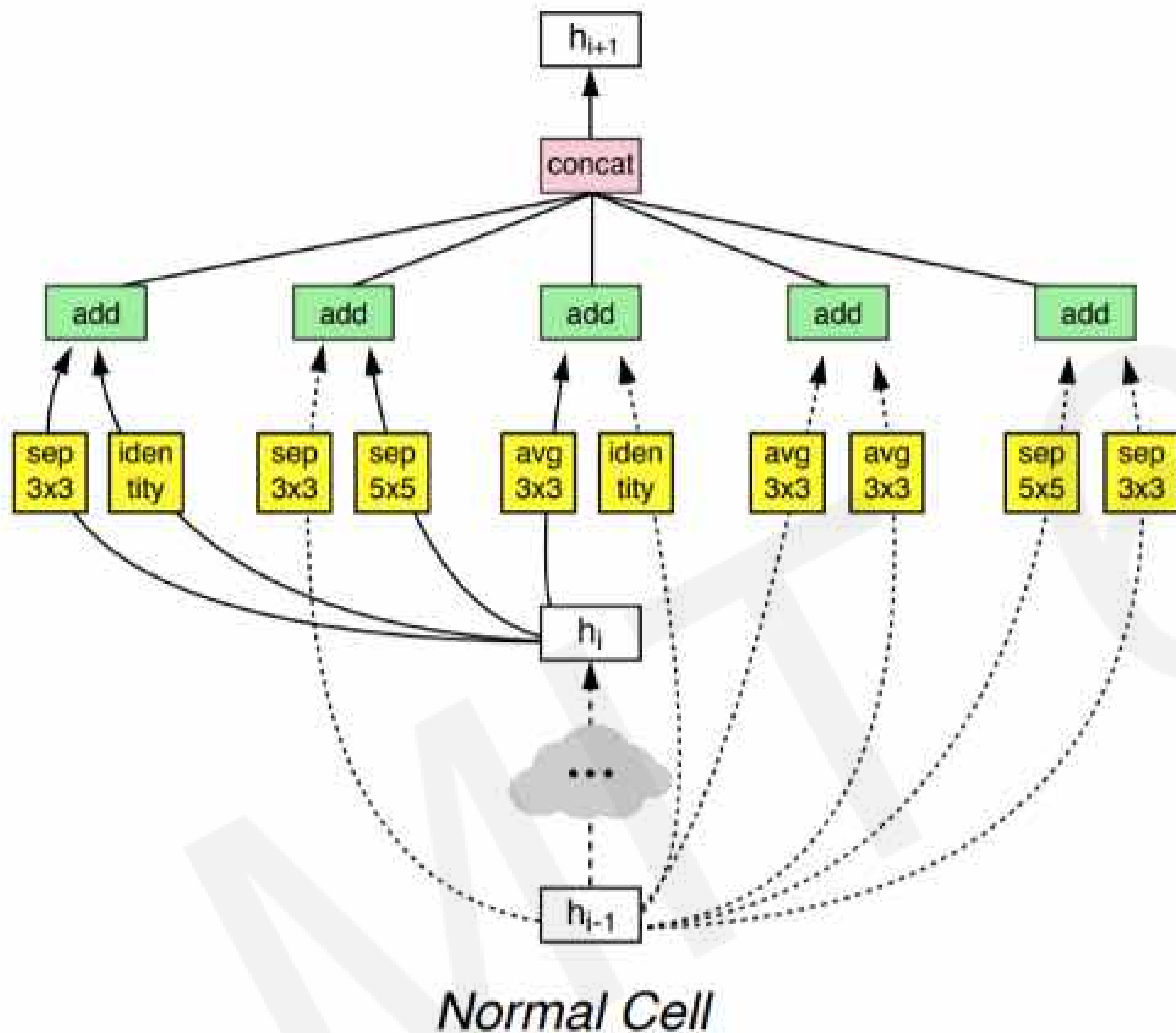


Controller architecture for constructing convolutional layers:

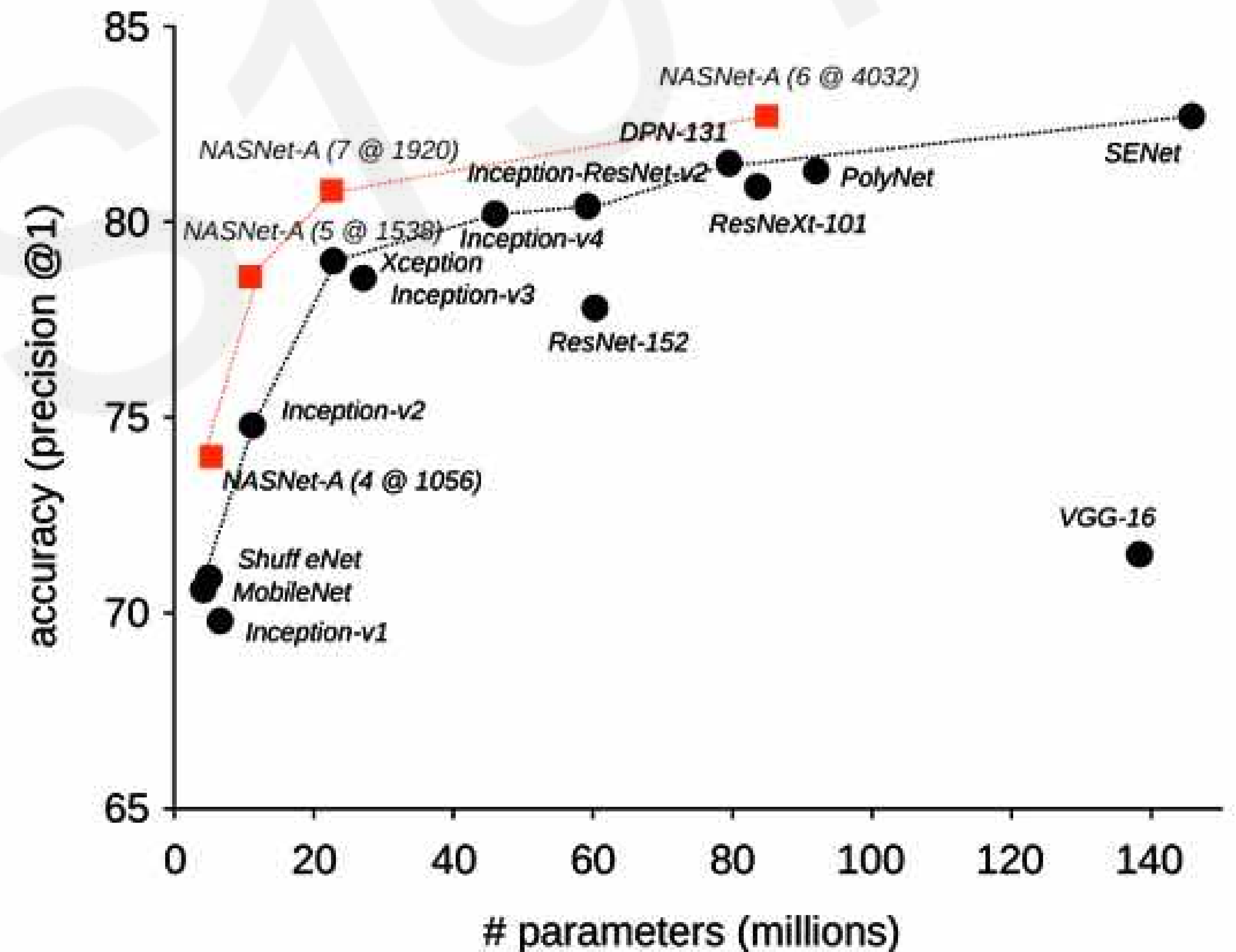


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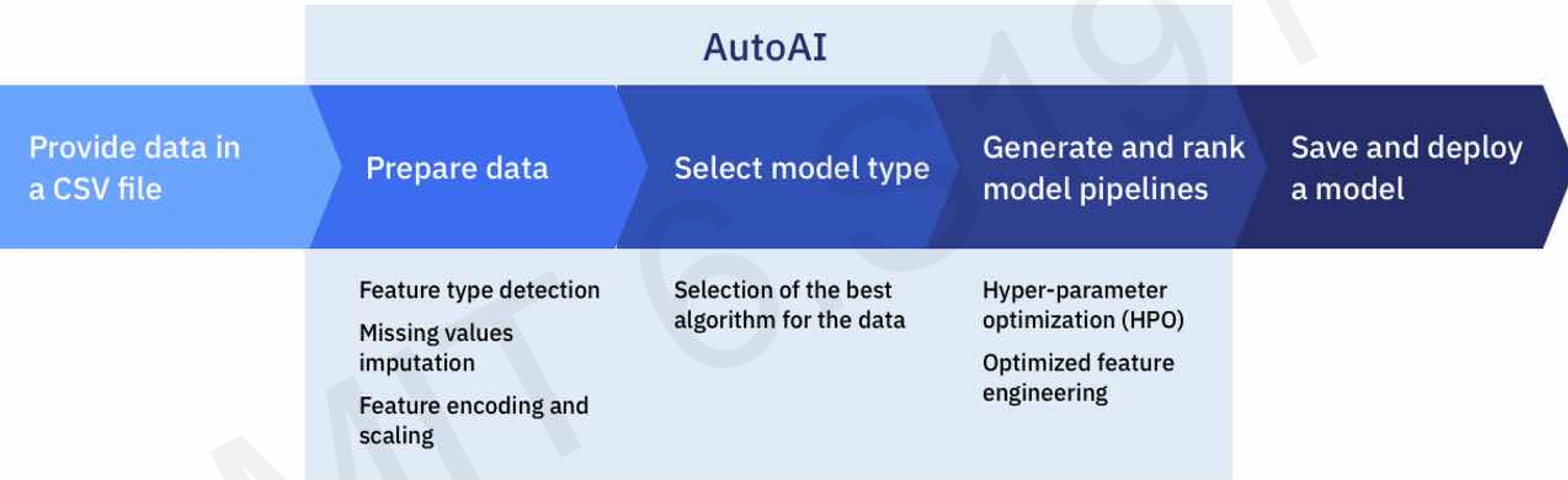
Learned architecture for convolutional cell



Model performance on ImageNet



From AutoML to AutoAI





AutoAI Spawns a Powerful Idea

- Design an AI pipeline that can build new models capable of solving a task
- Reduces the need for experienced engineers to design the networks
- Makes deep learning more accessible to the public

Connections and distinctions
between artificial and human
intelligence



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Lab 3: Reinforcement Learning

Link to download labs:
<http://introtodeeplearning.com#schedule>

1. Open the lab in Google Colab
2. Start executing code blocks and filling in the #TODOs
3. Need help? Come to 10-250/Gather.Town!