

# More is Less: A More Complicated Network with Less Inference Complexity

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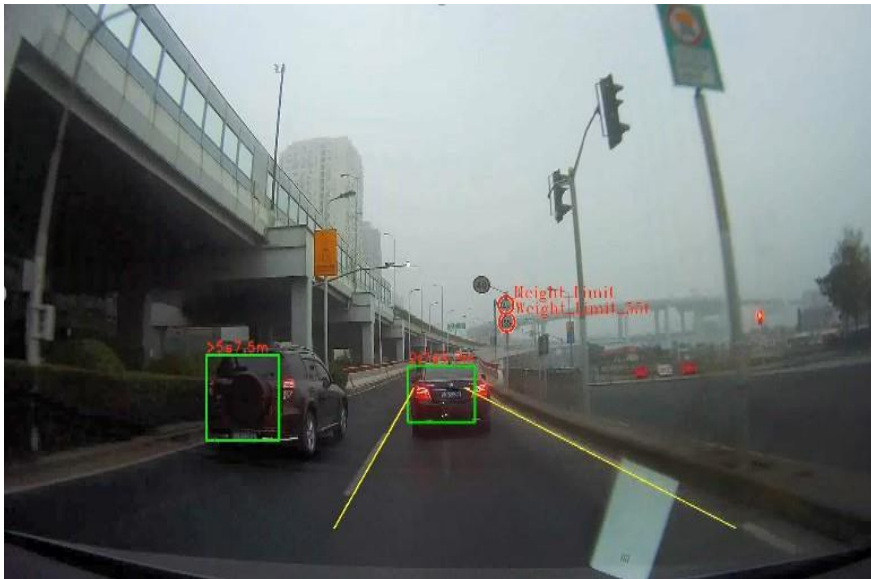
# CNNs cost a lot

|              | Parameters | FLOPs  | Top-5 Error |
|--------------|------------|--------|-------------|
| AlexNet      | 61M        | 725M   | 17.0        |
| VGG-16       | 138M       | 15484M | 8.43        |
| GoogLeNet-V1 | 6.9M       | 1566M  | 7.89        |
| ResNet-50    | 25.5M      | 3800M  | 5.25        |

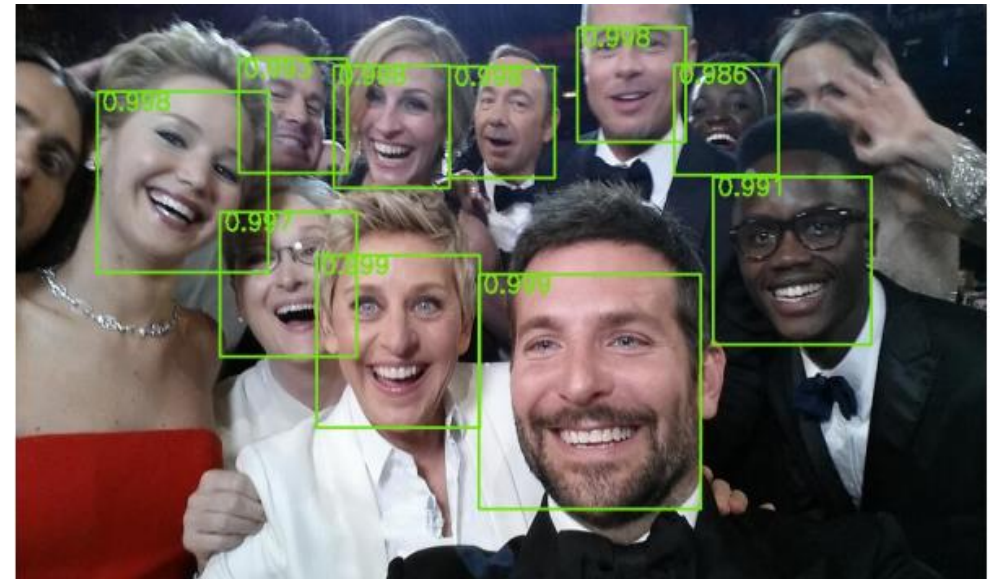
|              | Forward(ms) | Backward(ms) |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| VGG-16       | 143         | 379          |
| GoogLeNet-V1 | 63          | 102          |

# Why CNN Acceleration?

## Real-World Applications need Real-Time



Self Driving



Face Detection

# Popular Dataset & Networks

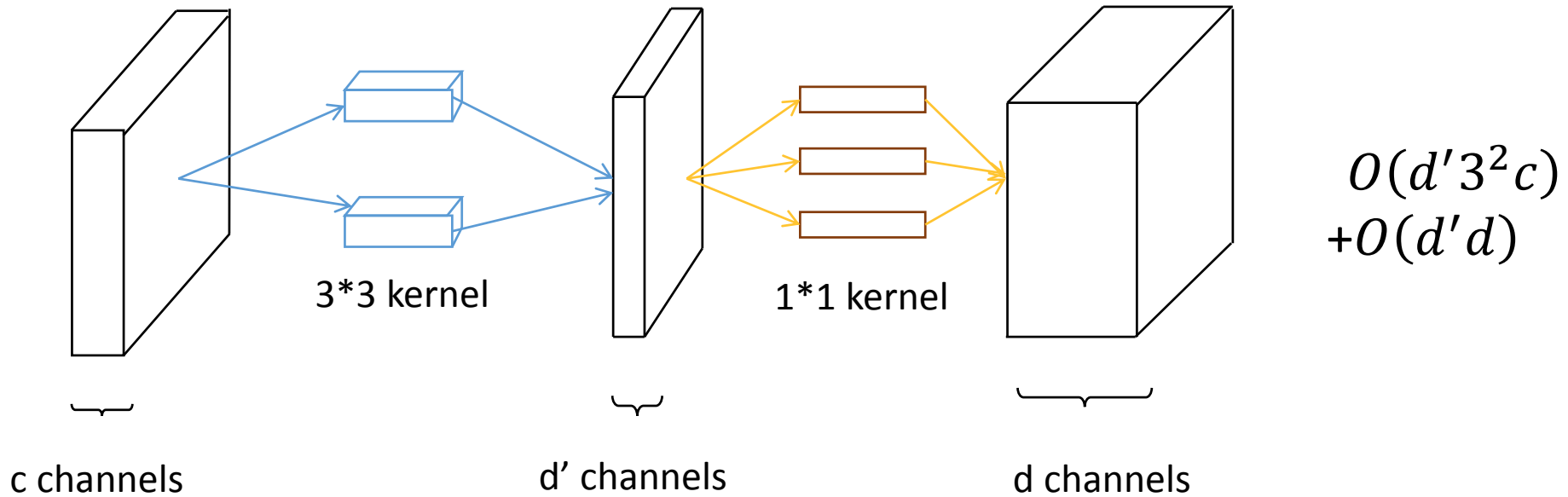
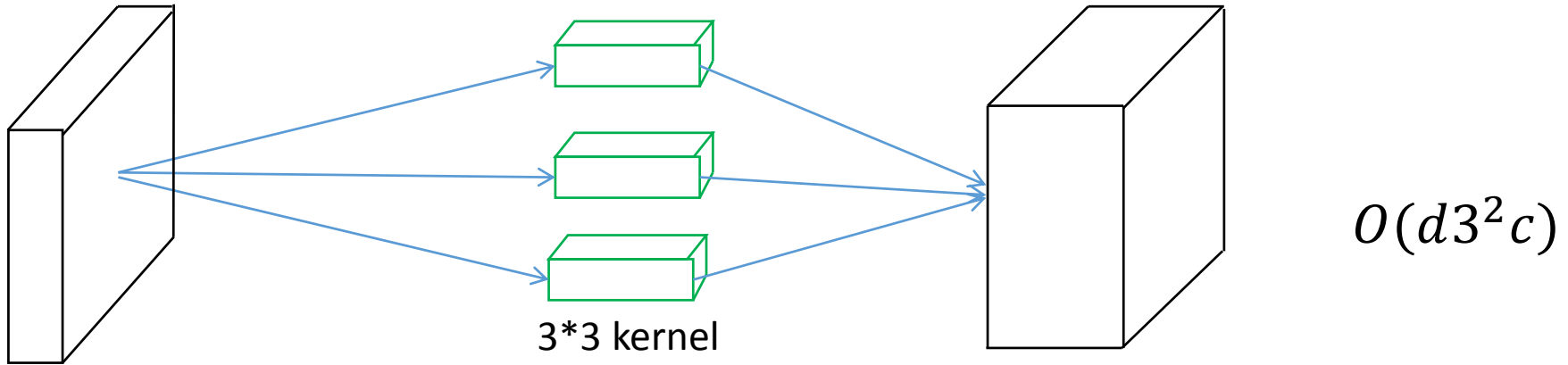
|          | Training | Testing | Classes |
|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| MNIST    | 60,000   | 10,000  | 10      |
| CIFAR10  | 50,000   | 10,000  | 10      |
| CIFAR100 | 50,000   | 10,000  | 100     |
| ImageNet | 1.2M     | 150,000 | 1000    |

|           | AlexNet | VGG-16 | GoogLeNet | ResNet |
|-----------|---------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Frequency | Most    | Most   | Few       | Rare   |

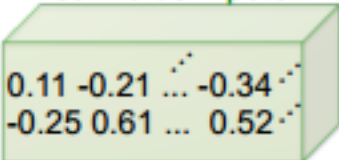
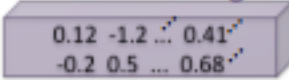
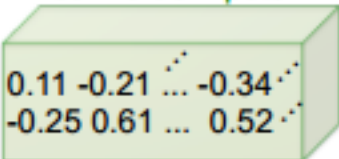

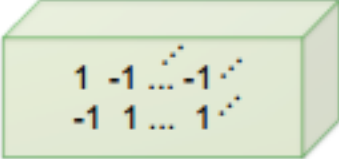
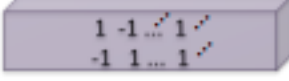
# Related Works

- **Low Rank**
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- **Sparse**
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# Low Rank

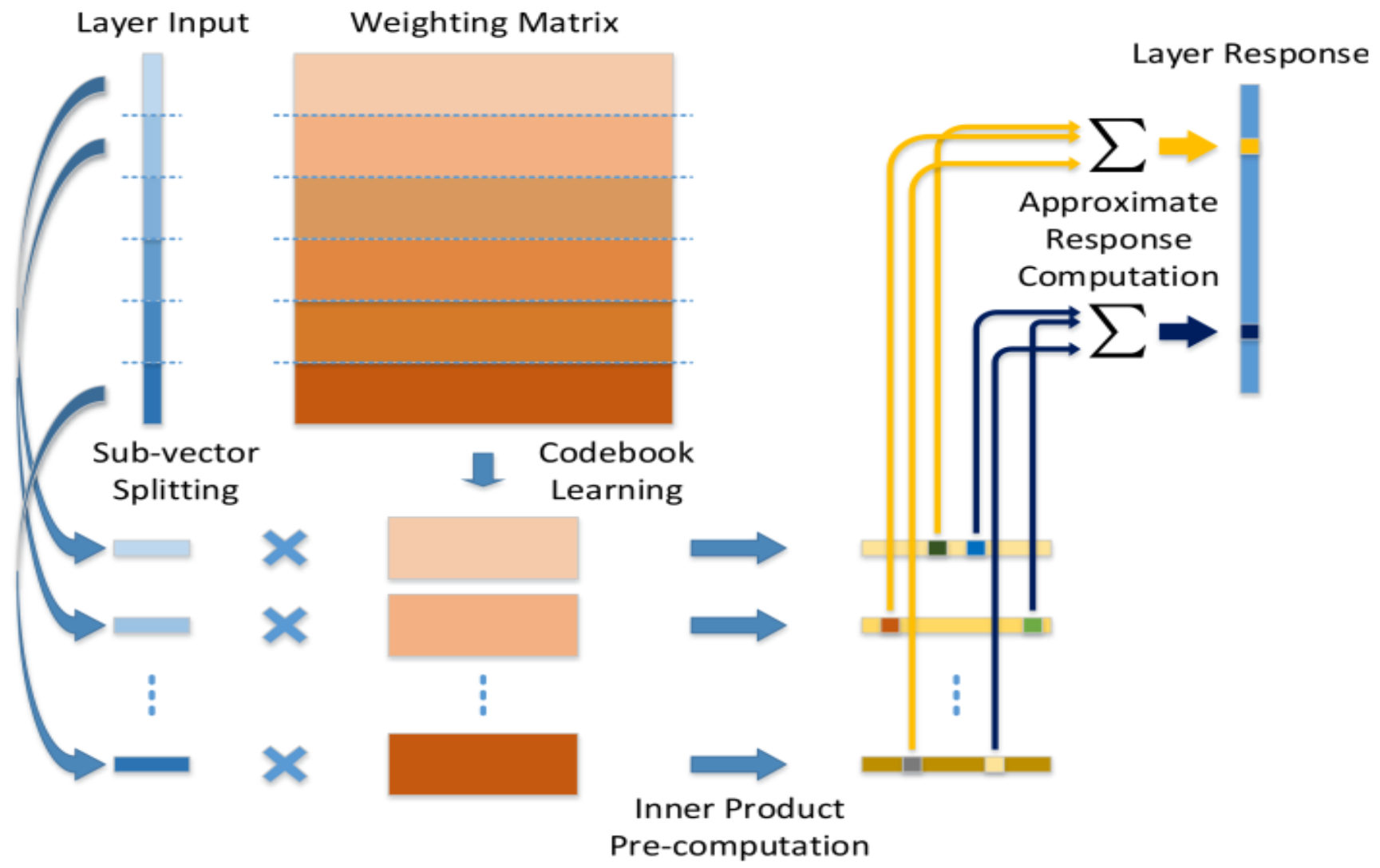


# Fixed Point

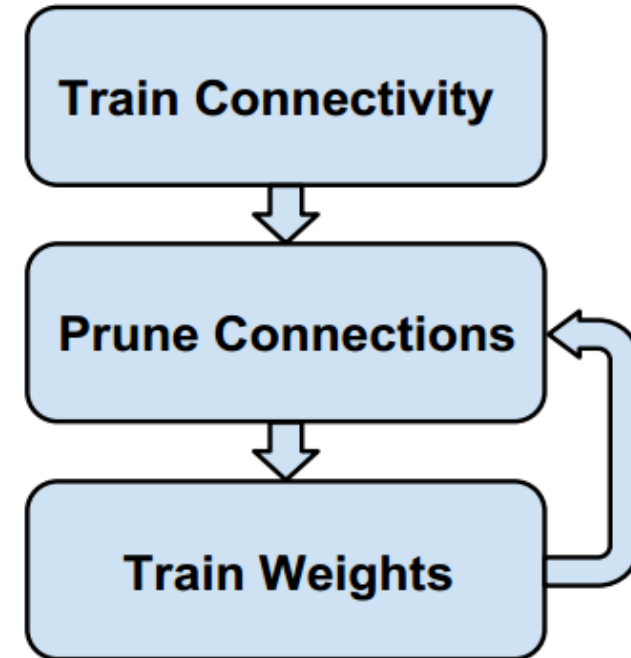
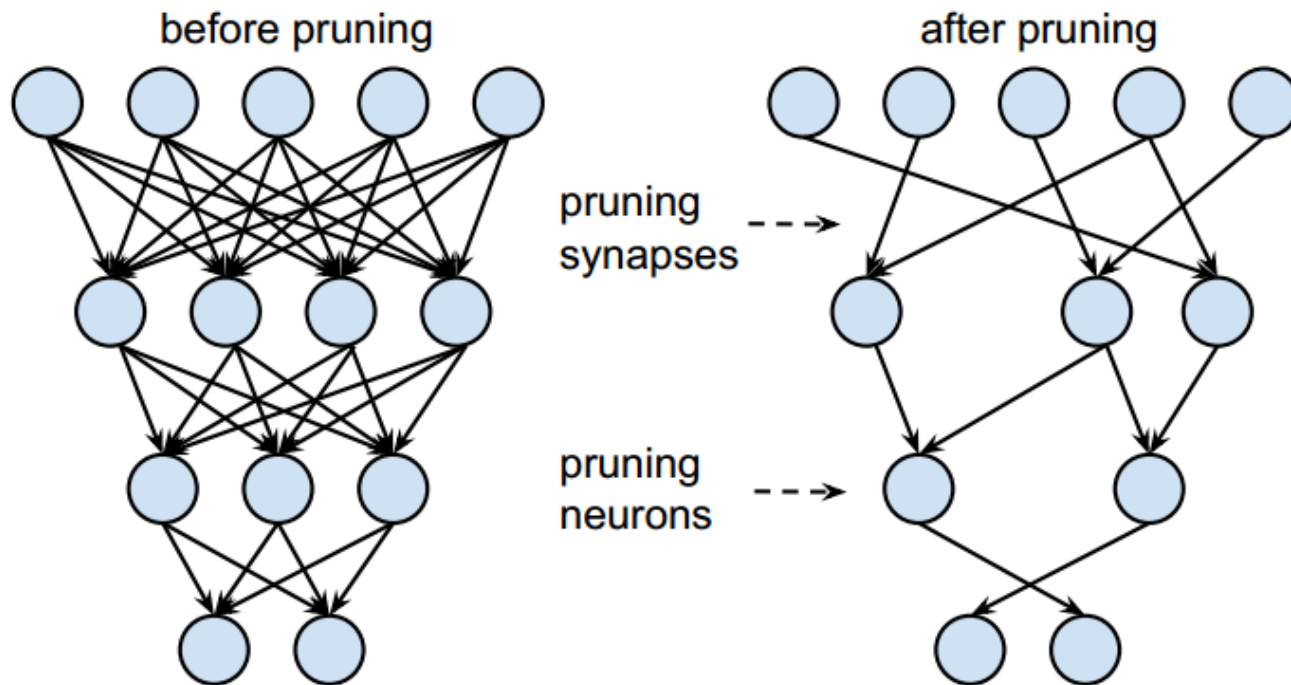
|                                      | Network Variations  | Operations used in Convolution | Memory Saving (Inference) | Computation Saving (Inference) | Accuracy on ImageNet (AlexNet) |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Standard Convolution                 | <p>Real-Value Inputs</p>  <p>Real-Value Weights</p>  | + , - , ×                      | 1x                        | 1x                             | %56.7                          |
| Binary Weight                        | <p>Real-Value Inputs</p>  <p>Binary Weights</p>      | + , -                          | ~32x                      | ~2x                            | %56.8                          |
| BinaryWeight Binary Input (XNOR-Net) | <p>Binary Inputs</p>  <p>Binary Weights</p>      | XNOR , bitcount                | ~32x                      | ~58x                           | %44.2                          |



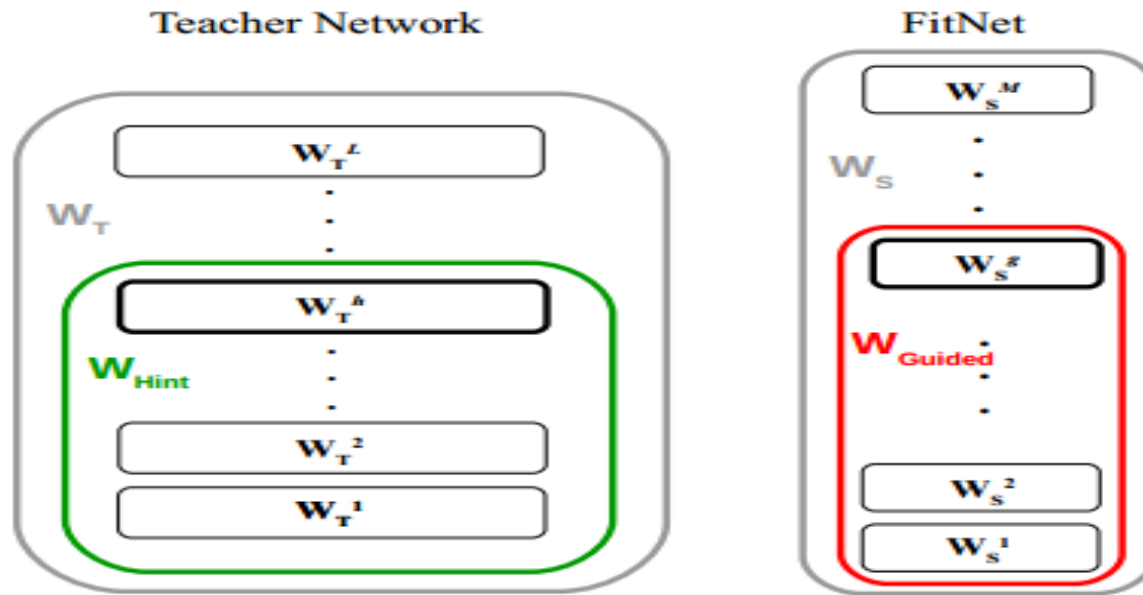
# Product Quantization



# Sparse

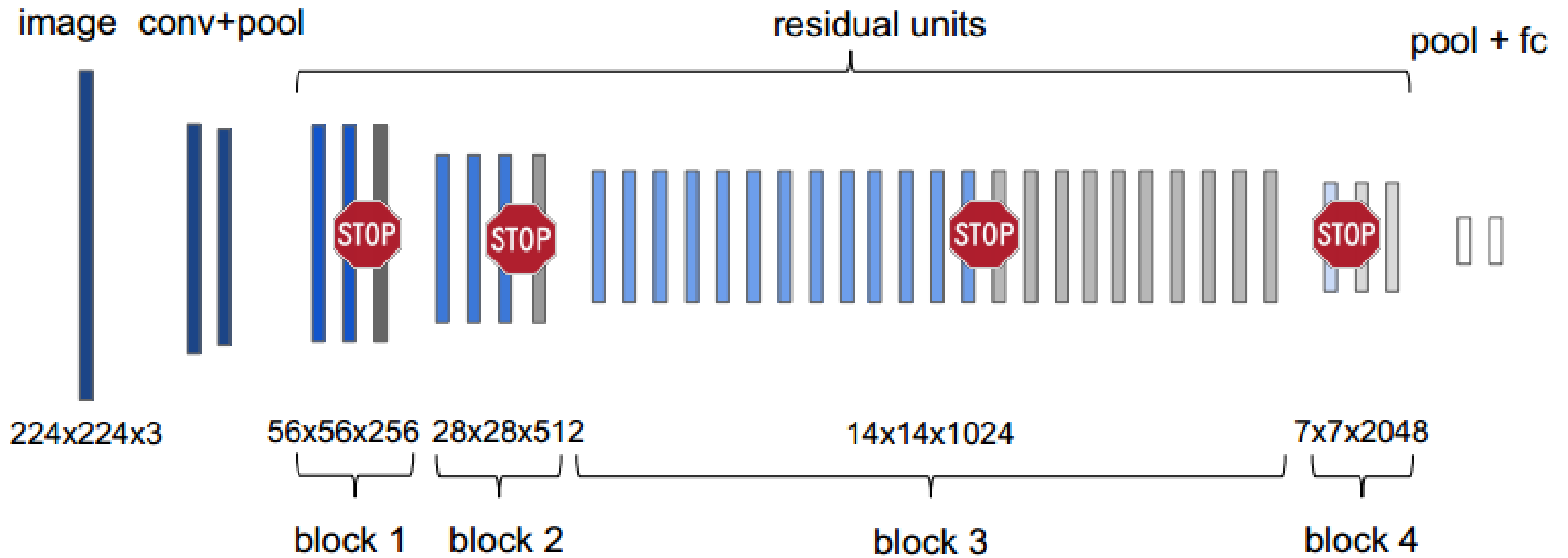


# Architecture



| Network  | # layers | # params | # mult | Acc           | Speed-up     | Compression rate |
|----------|----------|----------|--------|---------------|--------------|------------------|
| Teacher  | 5        | ~9M      | ~725M  | 90.18%        | 1            | 1                |
| FitNet 1 | 11       | ~250K    | ~30M   | 89.01%        | <b>13.36</b> | <b>36</b>        |
| FitNet 2 | 11       | ~862K    | ~108M  | 91.06%        | 4.64         | 10.44            |
| FitNet 3 | 13       | ~1.6M    | ~392M  | 91.10%        | 1.37         | 5.62             |
| FitNet 4 | 19       | ~2.5M    | ~382M  | <b>91.61%</b> | 1.52         | 3.60             |

# Dynamic CNN



## Problems

- **Focus on the Compression rather than Acceleration**
- **Focus on the Fully-Connected layer not Convolution layer**
- **High Theoretical Time but hard to adapt Practical Implementation**

# Motivation

|      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|
| 1.3  | 2.1  | -1.2 | 0.3  |
| -0.5 | 0.1  | -1.7 | 1.9  |
| 0.8  | 1.1  | 0.6  | -0.1 |
| 1.0  | -0.9 | 0.7  | 0.2  |

Dense

ReLU Activation

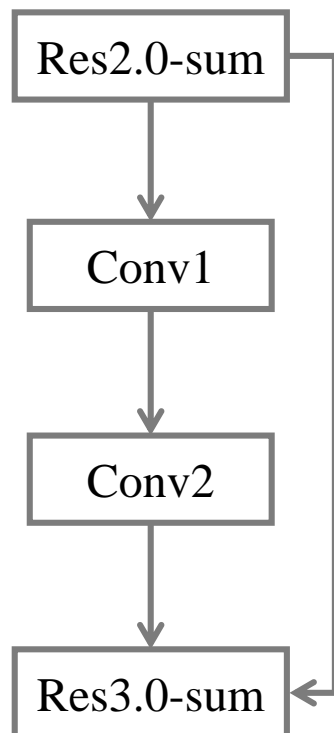


|     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1.3 | 2.1 | 0   | 0.3 |
| 0   | 0.1 | 0   | 1.9 |
| 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0   |
| 1.0 | 0   | 0.7 | 0.2 |

Sparse

**Efficient:** More (complicated structure) is Less (computation complexity)

original residual block

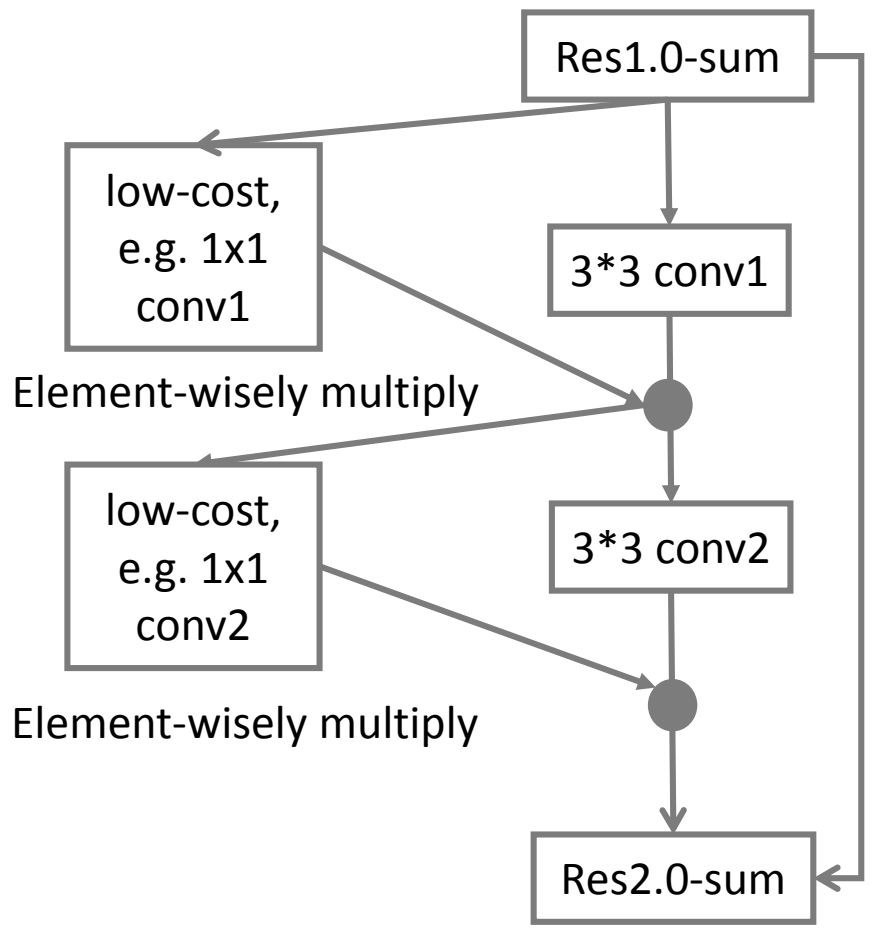


Frequently, **>30% outputs are almost zeros** after the ReLU operation, and thus their exact convolution values before ReLU are meaningless.

Can these positions be roughly estimated with very low computational cost?

# Efficient: More (complicated structure) is Less (computation complexity)

More is Less Structure

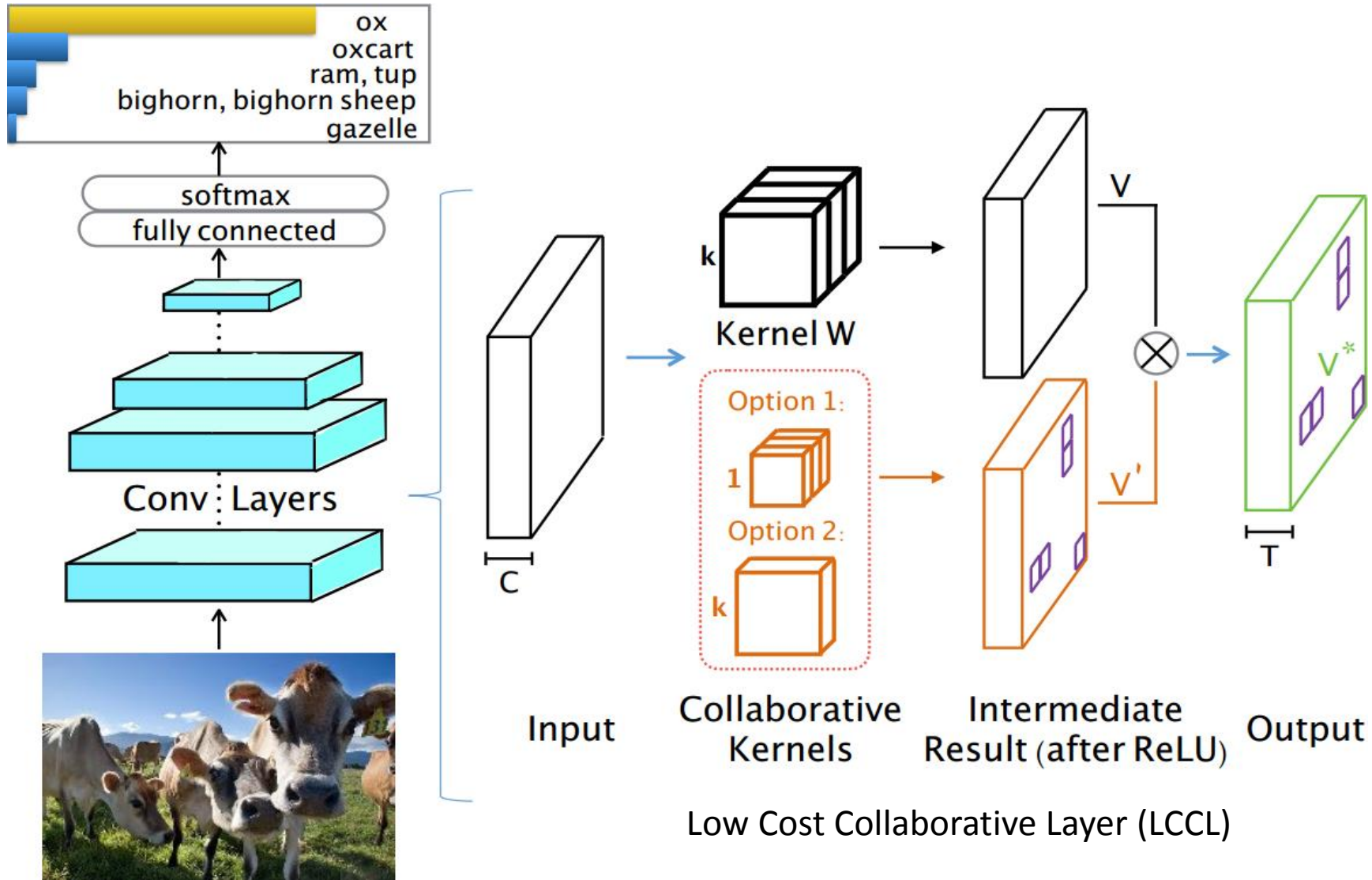


Theoretically, model accuracy can be lossless, yet complexity is less.

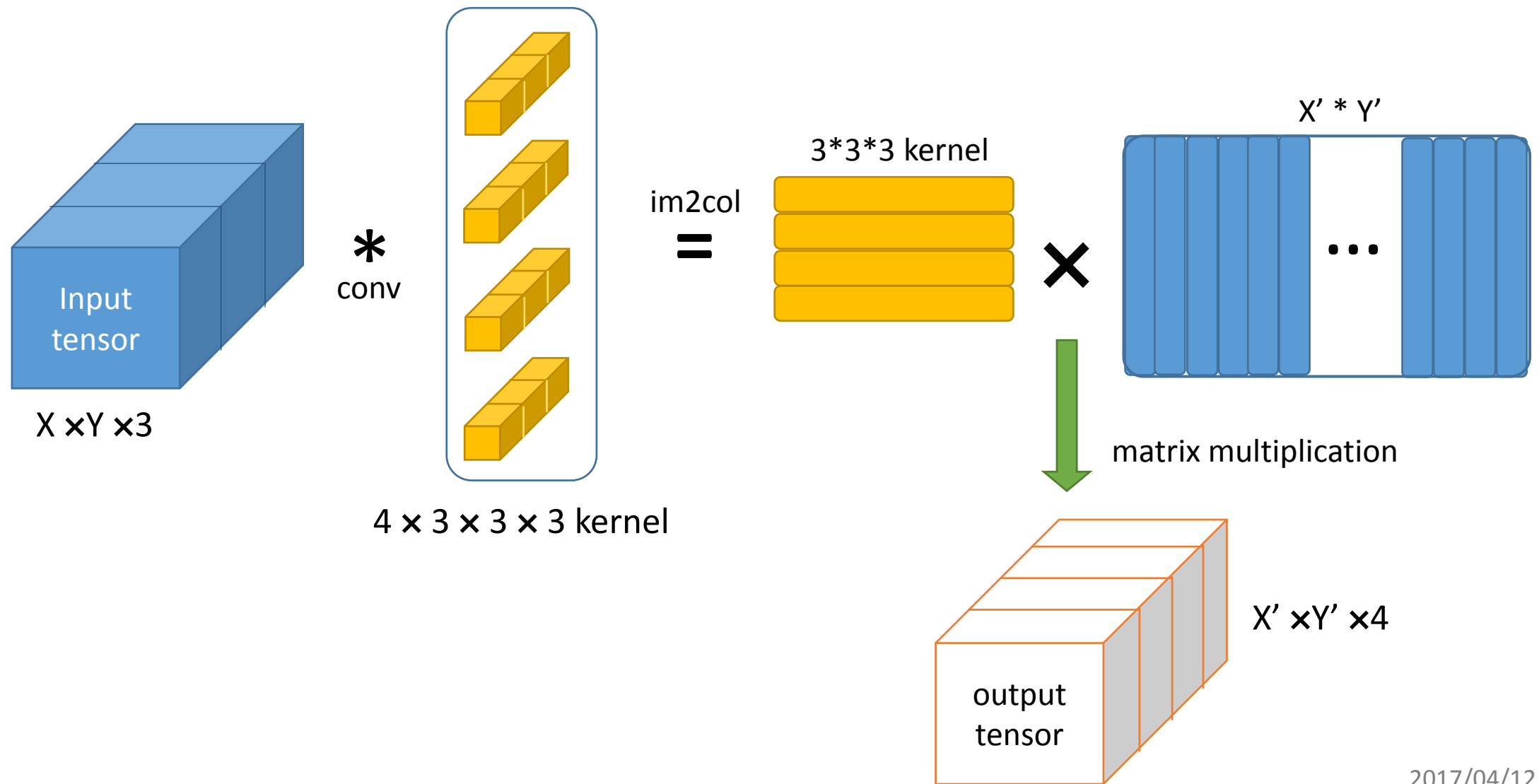
If 1x1 or low-cost conv  $\frac{1}{2}$  outputs zero, then its corresponding convolution operation in conv  $\frac{1}{2}$  is not required.



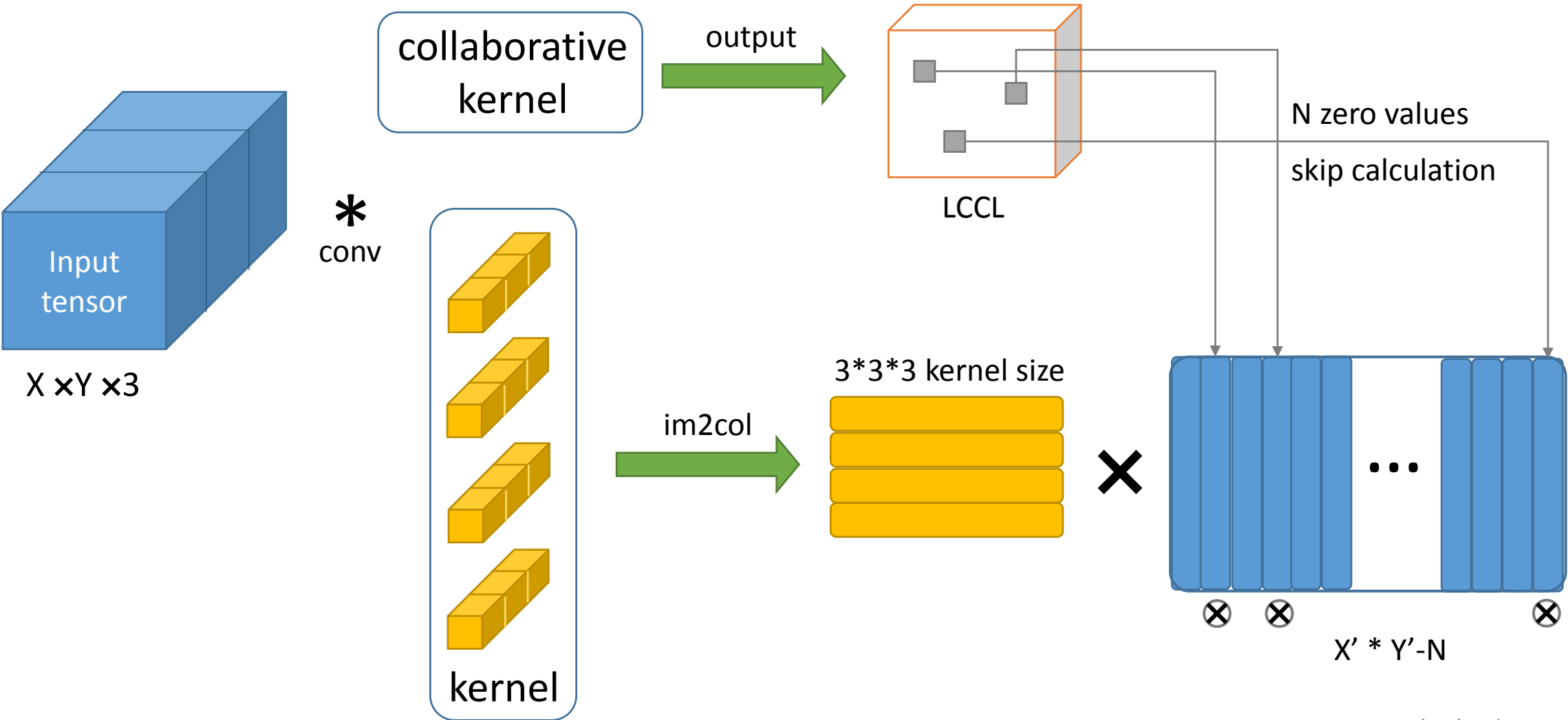
# Proposed Architecture



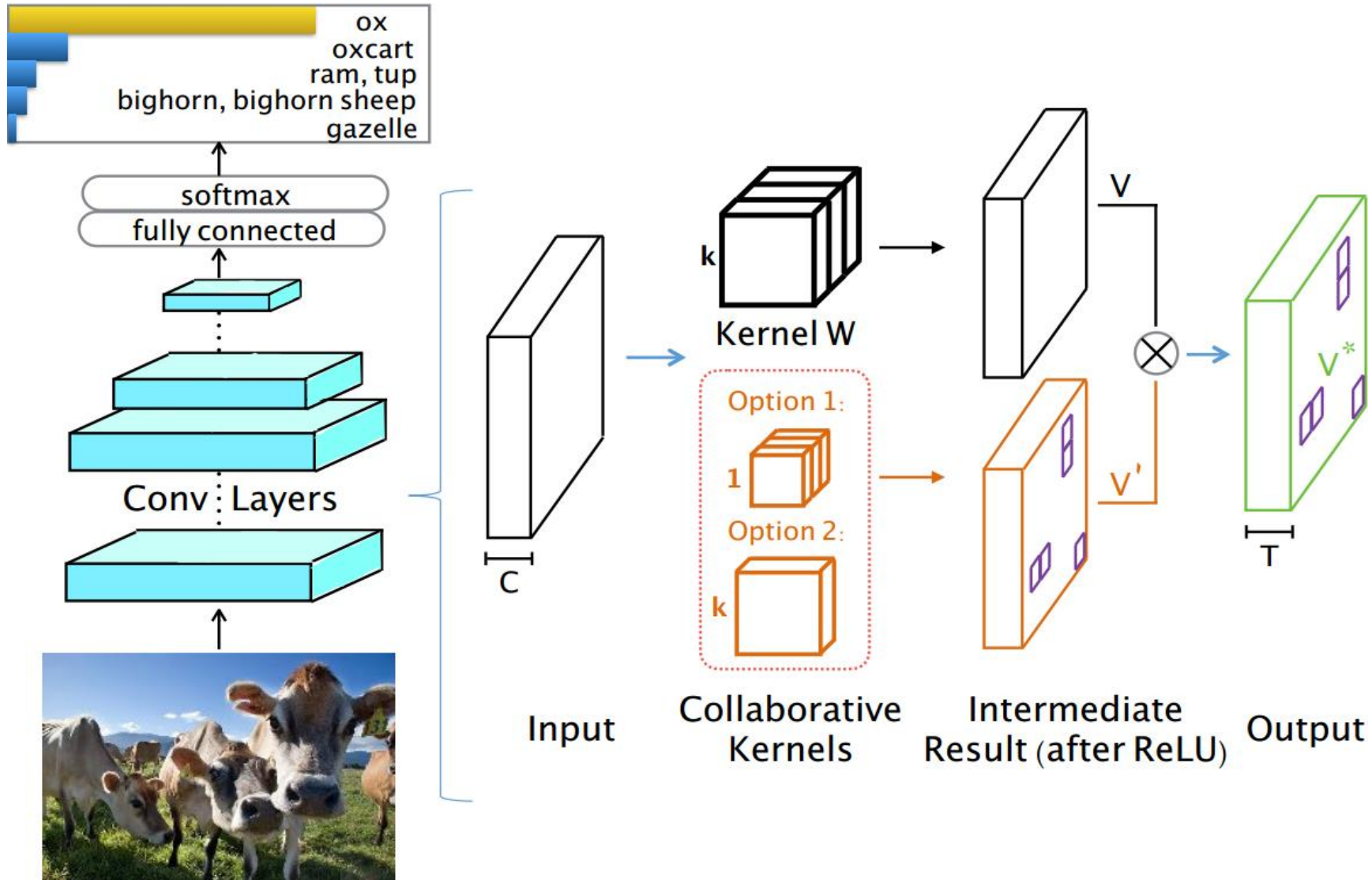
# Implementation



# Implementation – weight sharing



# Trade off – acceleration and accuracy



## Acceleration - Sparsity

| Collaborative Layer          | Sparsity  | Trainable |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Conv + Relu                  | < 10 %    | Stable    |
| Conv + Regularization + Relu | 5 % - 70% | Unstable  |
| Conv + BatchNorm + Relu      | ~30%      | Stable    |

# Accuracy - Kernel

Input tensor :  $U$   
 Height & Width :  $X$  &  $Y$   
 Collaborative Kernel :  $W'_t$   
 Output tensor :  $V'_t$   
 Sparsity Ratio :  $r$

$$V'_t(x, y) = \sum_{i,j=1}^{k'} \sum_c^C W'_t(i, j, c) U(x + i - 1, y + j - 1, c)$$

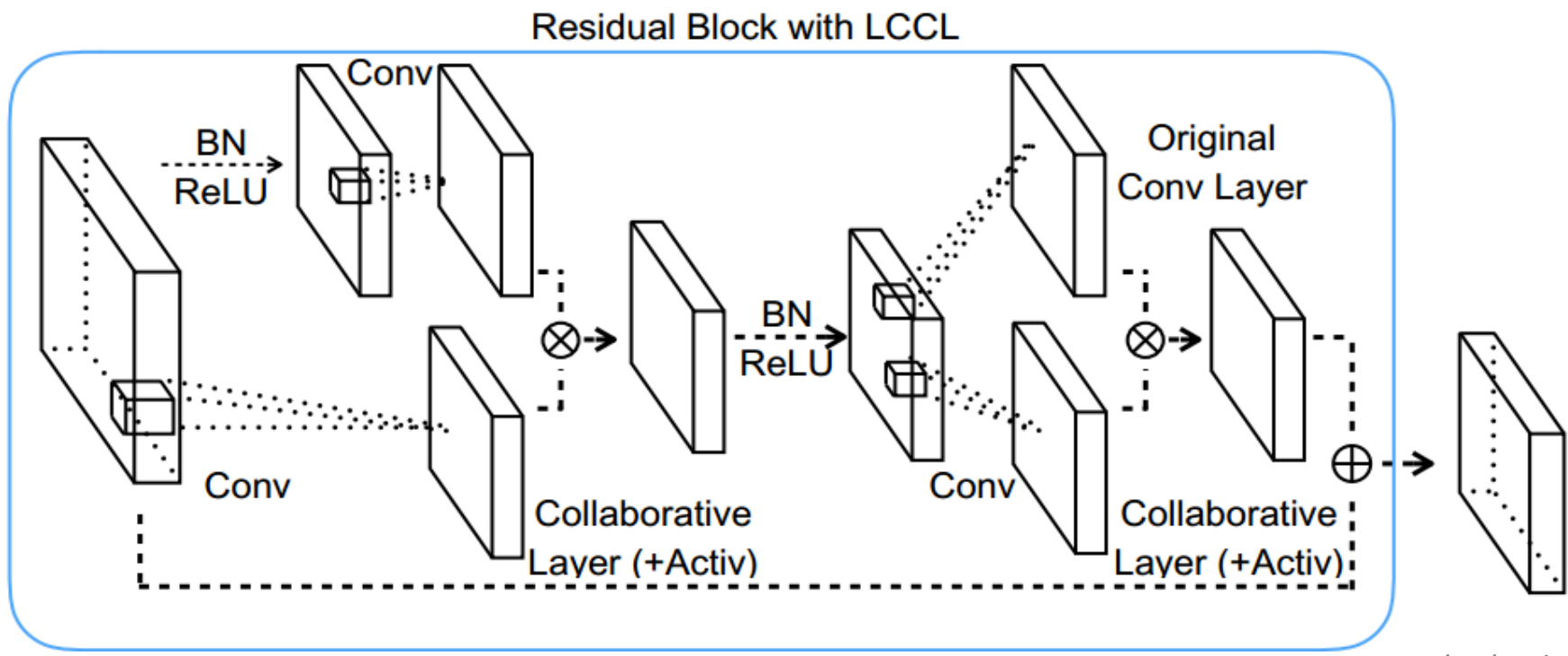
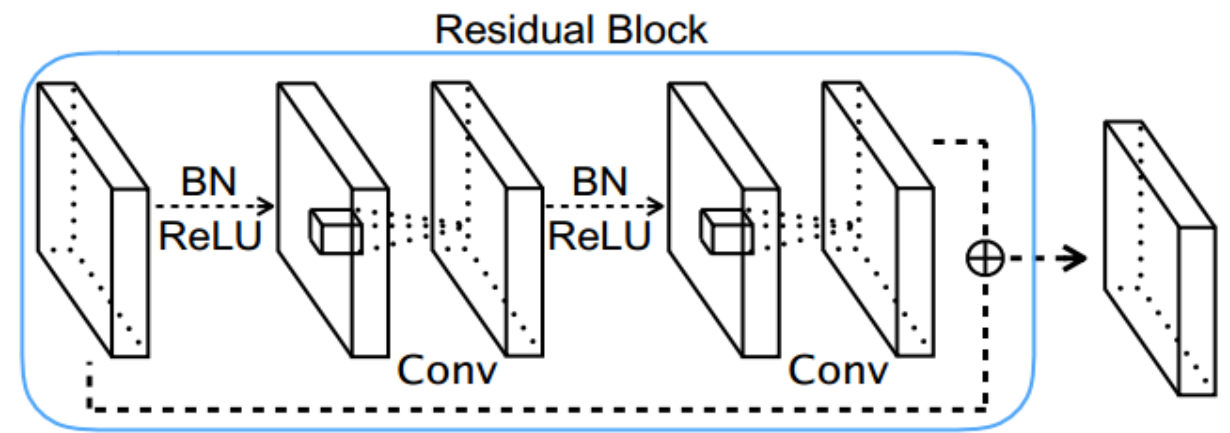
| Architecture           | FLOPs               | Speed-Up Ratio       |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| CNN                    | $XYTk^2C$           | 0                    |
| basic                  | $XYTC(k'^2 + k^2r)$ | $1 - (k'^2/k^2 + r)$ |
| ( $1 \times 1$ kernel) | $XYTC(1 + k^2r)$    | $1 - (1/k^2 + r)$    |
| (weight sharing)       | $XYTk^2(1 + Cr)$    | $1 - (1/C + r)$      |

## Accuracy - Kernel

| Architecture  | FLOPs   | Speed-Up Ratio   |
|---|---|--|
| CNN   | $XYTk^2C$   | 0  |
| basic<br>( $1 \times 1$ kernel)<br>(weight sharing) | $XYTC(k'^2 + k^2r)$<br>$XYTC(1 + k^2r)$<br>$XYTk^2(1 + Cr)$ | $1 - (k'^2/k^2 + r)$<br>$1 - (1/k^2 + r)$<br>$1 - (1/C + r)$ |

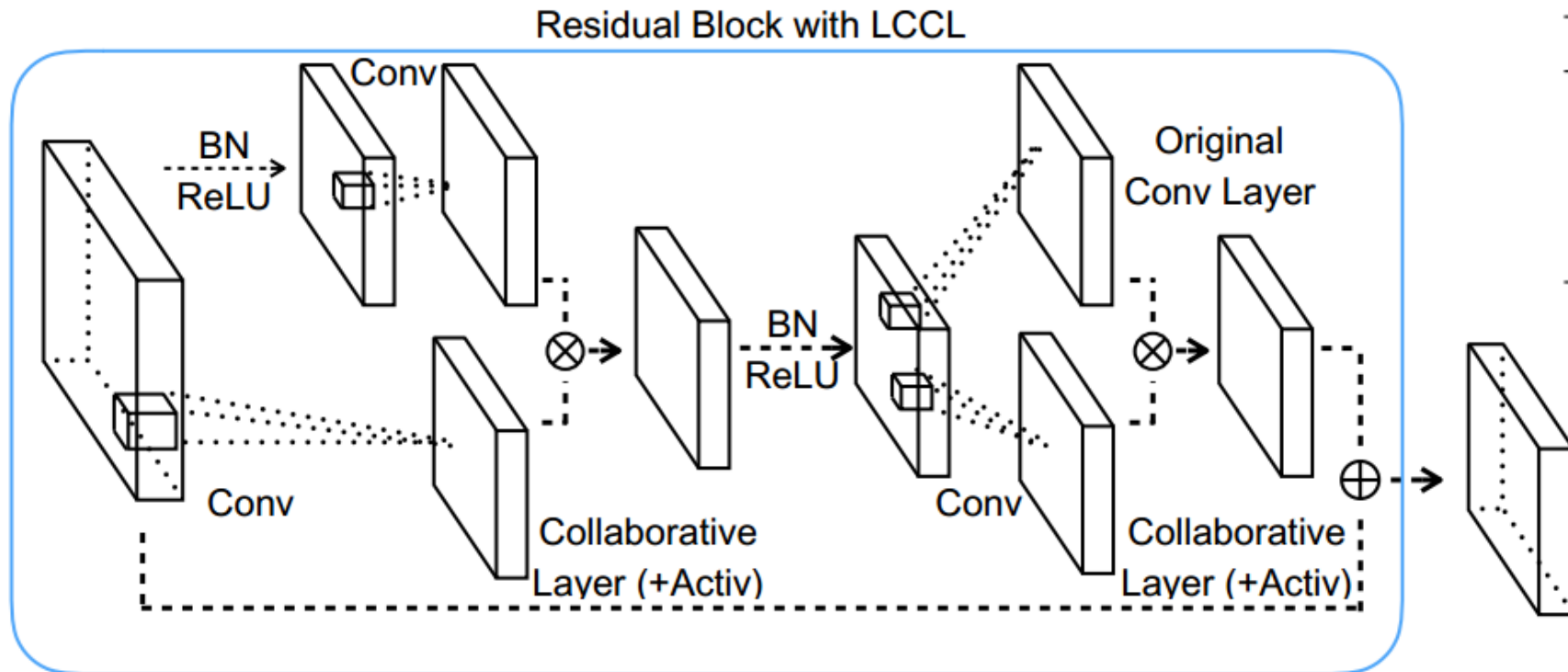
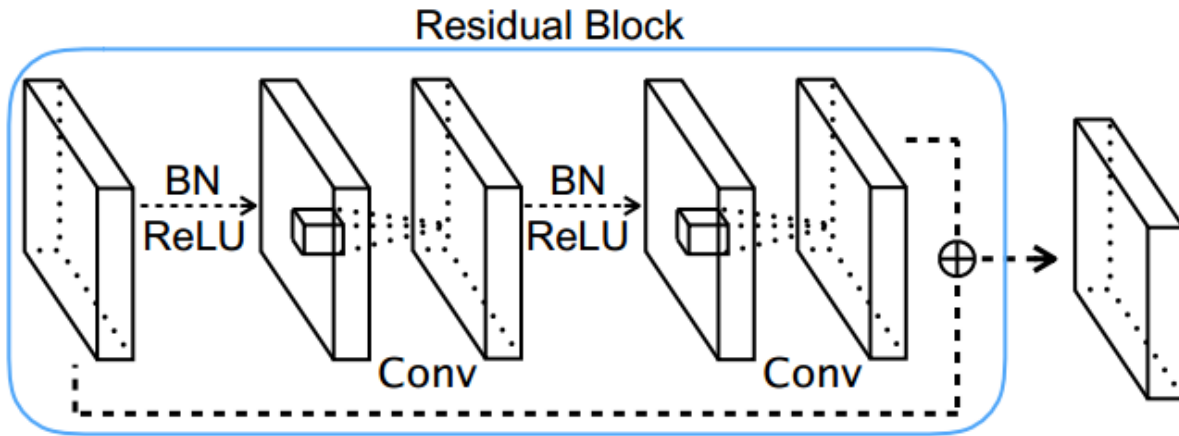
| Model     | $1 \times 1 \times C \times T$ |              |       | $k \times k \times C \times 1$ |              |             |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------|-------|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
|           | FLOPs                          | Ratio        | Error | FLOPs                          | Ratio        | Error       |
| ResNet-20 | 3.2E7                          | 20.3%        | 8.57  | 2.6E7                          | <b>34.9%</b> | <b>8.32</b> |
| ResNet-32 | 4.7E7                          | <b>31.2%</b> | 9.26  | 4.9E7                          | 28.1%        | <b>7.44</b> |
| ResNet-44 | 6.3E7                          | <b>34.8%</b> | 8.57  | 6.5E7                          | 32.5%        | <b>7.29</b> |

# Details on Pre-Activation Residual Network



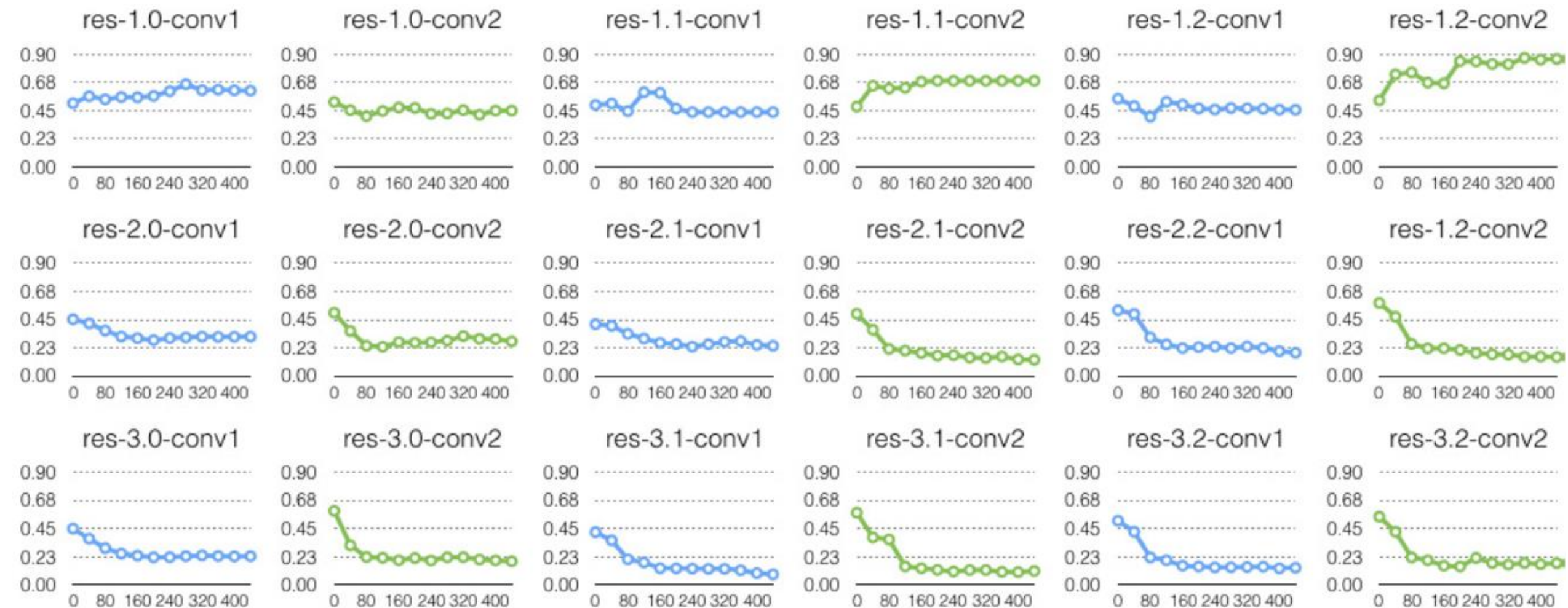


# Experiments



| Structure | Top-1 Err.  | Speed-Up     |
|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Aft-Aft   | <b>8.32</b> | 34.9%        |
| Aft-Bef   | 8.71        | 24.1%        |
| Bef-Bef   | 11.62       | 39.8%        |
| Bef-Aft   | 12.85       | <b>55.4%</b> |

# Experiments – CIFAR10



## Experiments – CIFAR10 & CIFAR100

|             | Depth | Ori. Err | LCCN | Speed-up |
|-------------|-------|----------|------|----------|
| ResNet [12] | 110   | 6.37     | 6.56 | 34.21%   |
|             | 164*  | 5.46     | 5.91 | 27.40%   |
| WRN [35]    | 22-8  | 4.38     | 4.90 | 51.32%   |
|             | 28-2  | 5.73     | 5.81 | 21.40%   |
|             | 40-1  | 6.85     | 7.65 | 39.36%   |
|             | 40-2  | 5.33     | 5.98 | 31.01%   |
|             | 40-4  | 4.97     | 5.95 | 54.06%   |
|             | 52-1  | 6.83     | 6.99 | 41.90%   |

CIFAR10

|             | Depth | Ori. Err | LCCN  | Speed-up |
|-------------|-------|----------|-------|----------|
| ResNet [12] | 164*  | 24.33    | 24.74 | 21.30%   |
| WRN [35]    | 16-4  | 24.53    | 24.83 | 15.19%   |
|             | 22-8  | 21.22    | 21.30 | 14.42%   |
|             | 40-1  | 30.89    | 31.32 | 36.28%   |
|             | 40-2  | 26.04    | 26.91 | 45.61%   |
|             | 40-4  | 22.89    | 24.10 | 34.27%   |
|             | 52-1  | 29.88    | 29.55 | 22.96%   |

CIFAR100

# Experiments – ImageNet

| Depth | Approach | Speed-Up         | Top-1 Acc. Drop | Top-5 Acc. Drop |
|-------|----------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 18    | LCCL     | 34.6%            | 3.65            | 2.30            |
|       | BWN      | $\approx 50.0\%$ | 8.50            | 6.20            |
|       | XNOR     | $\approx 98.3\%$ | 18.10           | 16.00           |
| 34    | LCCL     | 24.8%            | 0.43            | 0.17            |
|       | PFEC     | 24.2%            | 1.06            | -               |

| Model     | FLOPs |       | Time (ms) |       | Speed-up |       |
|-----------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|----------|-------|
|           | CNN   | LCCL  | CNN       | LCCL  | Theo     | Real  |
| ResNet-18 | 1.8E9 | 1.2E9 | 97.1      | 77.1  | 34.6%    | 20.5% |
| ResNet-34 | 3.6E9 | 2.7E9 | 169.3     | 138.6 | 24.8%    | 18.1% |

