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Navigating The Path to Autonomous Mobility

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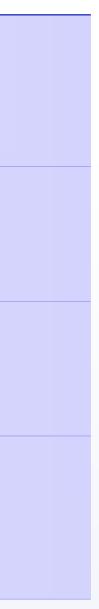
- Reaching a real "full self driving" system (eyes-off) - While maintaining a sustainable business

mobileye^{*} * Subject to defined Operational Design Domain and products specifications



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Which is more likely to succeed?





End-to-End Approach

Premise No glue code Unsupervised data alone can reach sufficient MTBF



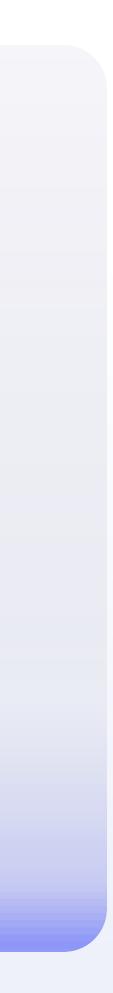
Reality

Glue code shifted to offline Rare & correct vs. common & incorrect

"AV alignment" problem

Really?

- Calculator
- Shortcut learning problem
- Long tail problem



"No Glue Code": AV Alignment Problem

denoted y, given the previous video, denoted x This learning objective prefers 'common & incorrect' over 'rare & correct'

Examples:

1. Most drivers slow down at a stop sign but do not come to a full stop

- Rolling stop \equiv common & incorrect
- Full stop \equiv rare & correct
- 2. "Rude drivers" that cut in line
- 3. Reckless drivers

Glue code shifted to offline

- End-to-end aims to maximize P[y|x] where y is the future trajectory human would take,

This is why RLHF is used in LLMs: the reward mechanism differentiates between 'correct' and 'incorrect'

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End-to-end learning from data often misses important abstractions and therefore doesn't generalize well

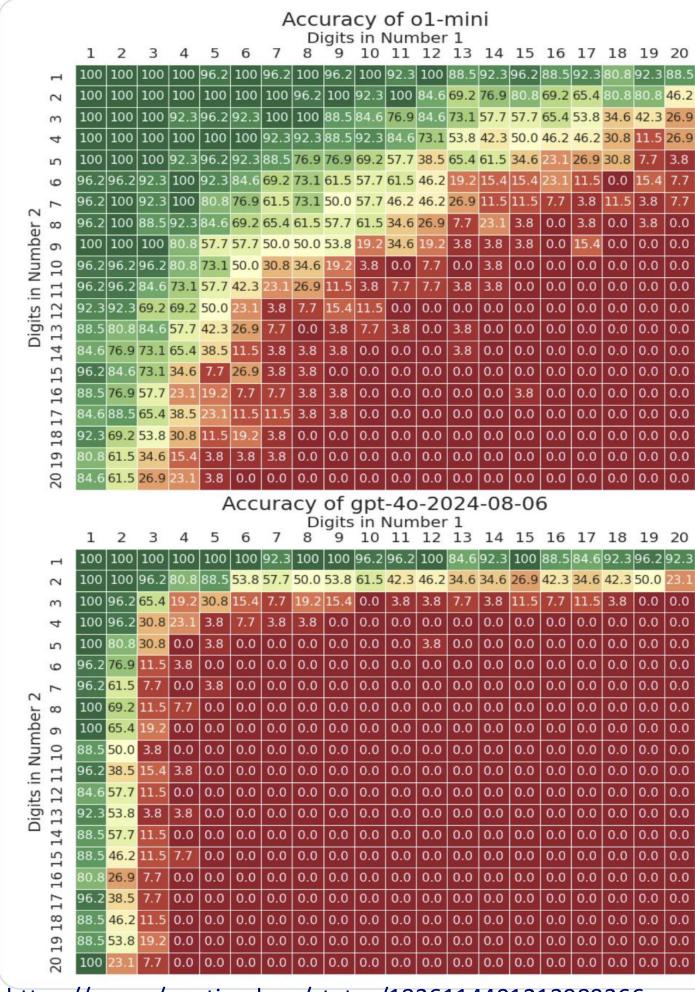
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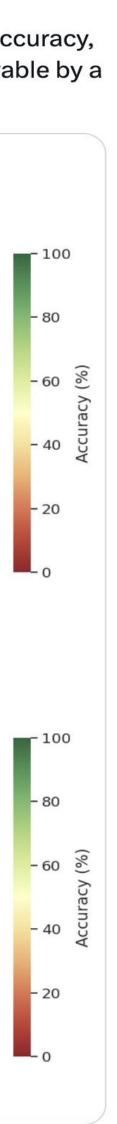




Is OpenAI's of a good calculator? We tested it on up to 20x20 multiplication—o1 solves up to 9x9 multiplication with decent accuracy, while gpt-4o struggles beyond 4x4. For context, this task is solvable by a small LM using implicit CoT with stepwise internalization. 1/4



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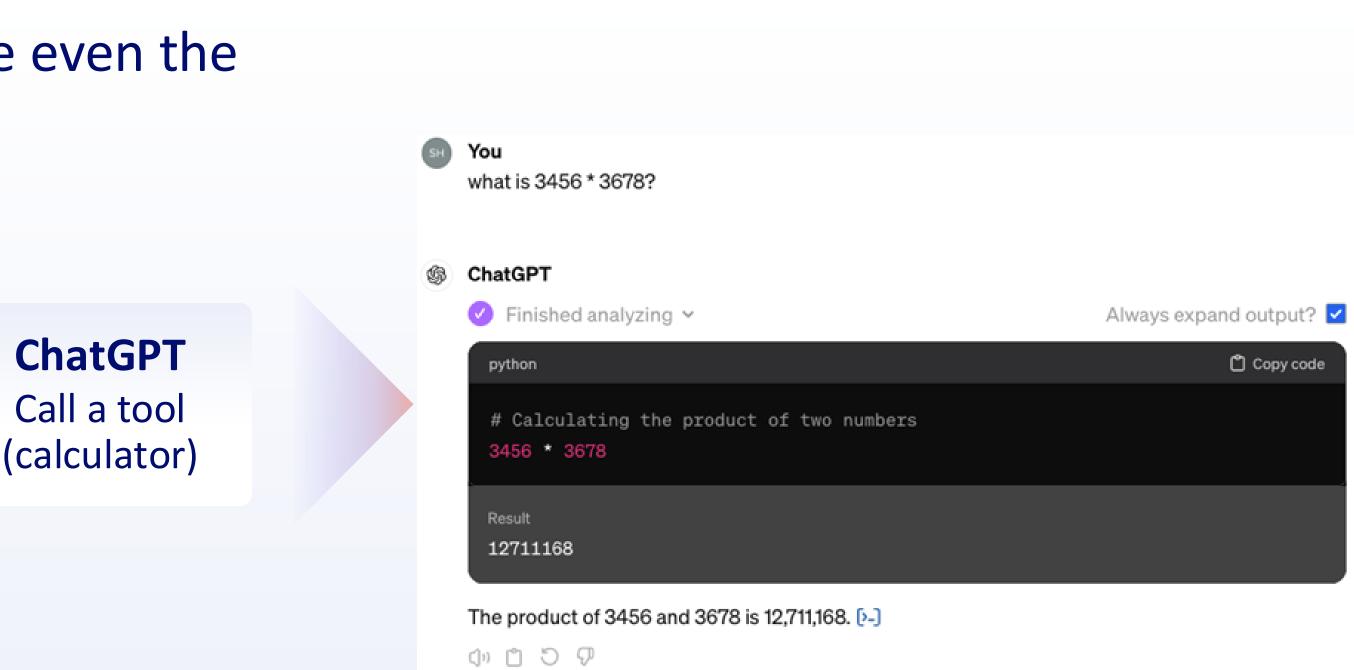
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What can be done?

- Provide tools to LLMs
- → Compound AI Systems (CAIS)





Can Unsupervised Data Alone Reach High MTBF? Shortcut Learning Problem

Relying on different sensor modalities is a well-established methodology for increasing MTBF

The question: How to fuse the different sensors?

The "end-to-end approach": Just feed all sensors into one big network and train it

"The Shortcut Learning Problem"

When different input modalities have different sample complexities, end-to-end Stochastic Gradient Descent struggles in leveraging the advantages of all modalities



Can Unsupervised Data Alone Reach High MTBF? Shortcut Learning Problem

Consider 3 types of sensors



Suppose that each system has inherent limitations that cause a failure probability of ϵ , where ϵ is small (e.g., one in 1000 hours)

Additionally, assume that the failures of the different sensors are independent

We compare two options

- Low level, end-to-end, fusion (train a system based on the combined input)
- CAIS: Decomposable training of a system per each modality, followed by high-level fusion

Which option is better?

Lidar

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Shortcut Learning Problem: A Simple Synthetic Example

Distribution: all variables are over {+1, -1}, and data is created by the following simple generative model: $y \sim B\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$, $r_1, r_2, r_3 \sim i. i. d. B(\epsilon)$, $x_1 = y r_1, x_2 = y r_2, x_4, x_5 \sim i. i. d. B\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), x_3 = y r_3 x_4 x_5$

This is a simple model of fusion between Lidar, Radar, Camera systems with the following properties:

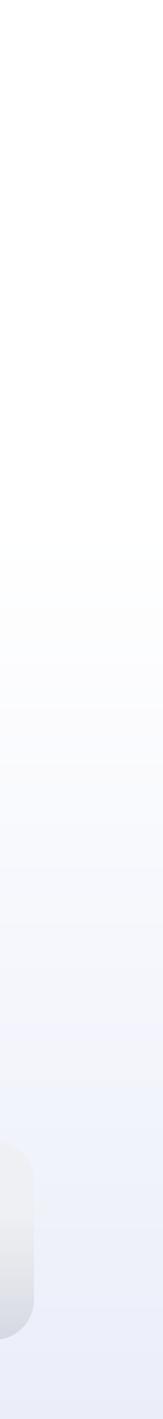
- The 3 systems have uncorrelated errors (modeled by r_1, r_2, r_3) of level ϵ
- x_1 and x_2 are "simpler" systems (modeling radar and lidar), while the product of $x_3 x_4 x_5$ equals to $y r_3$, and therefore is a "complicated to learn" system (modeling the camera)

Theorem:

- Can easily reach error of $O(\epsilon^2)$ with decomposable training of 1-hidden-layer FCN + majority
- End-to-end SGD training will be "stuck" at an error of ϵ for T/ ϵ where T is the time complexity of learning the complicated system (camera) individually

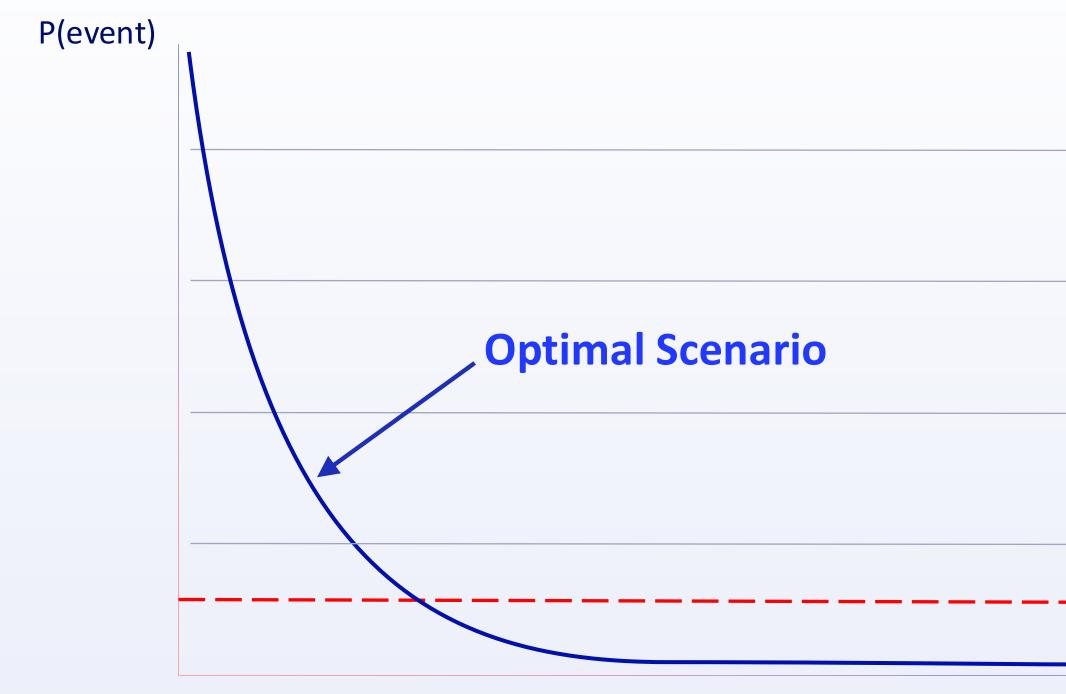
What happened? Isn't end-to-end always better?

Shortcut learning problem: End-to-end SGD struggles to leverage systems with different sample complexities



Can Unsupervised Data Alone Reach High MTBF? The Long Tail Problem

In the optimistic scenario, a few rare events reduce the probability mass considerably In the pessimistic scenario, each rare event has minimal impact on the probability mass





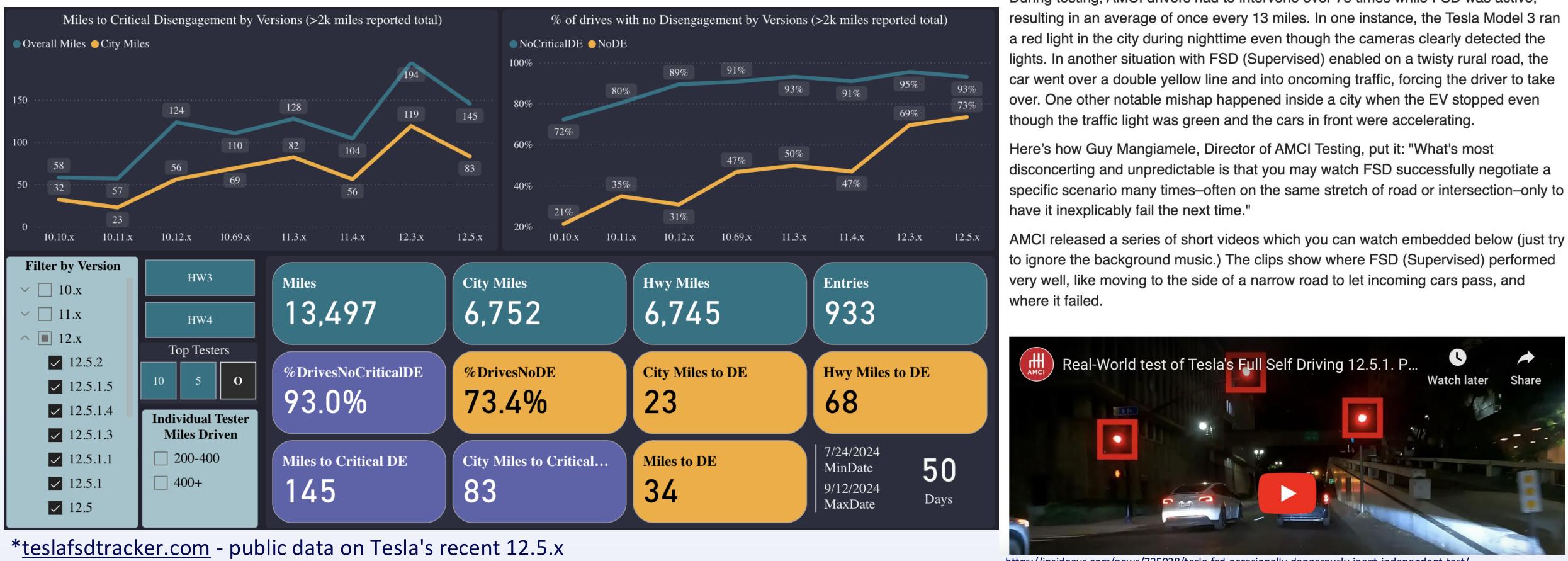
Pessimistic Scenario

Too many rare events where each does not reduce P(event) noticeably

Events

Long Tail of Tesla FSD

TeslaFSDtracker indicates that reducing variance solely through a data pipeline results in incremental progress -





During testing, AMCI drivers had to intervene over 75 times while FSD was active,

https://insideevs.com/news/735038/tesla-fsd-occasionally-dangerously-inept-independent-test/

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The Bias-Variance Tradeoff in Machine Learning

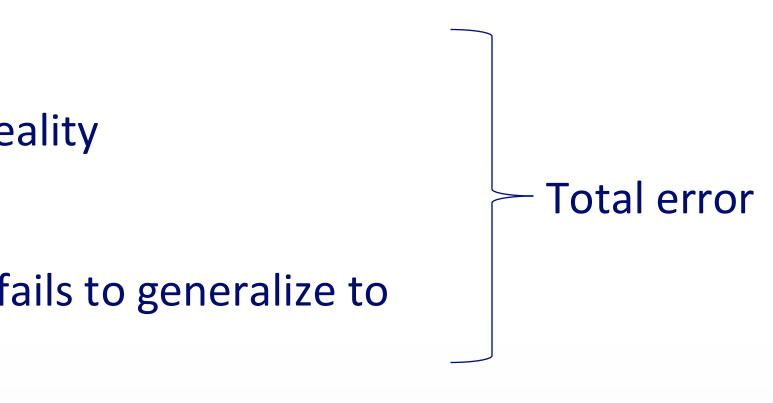
Bias ('approximation error')

The learning system cannot reflect the full richness of reality

Variance ('generalization error')

The learning system overfits to the observed data, and fails to generalize to unseen examples





Abstraction Injections

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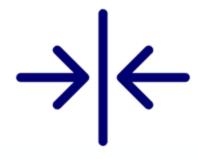
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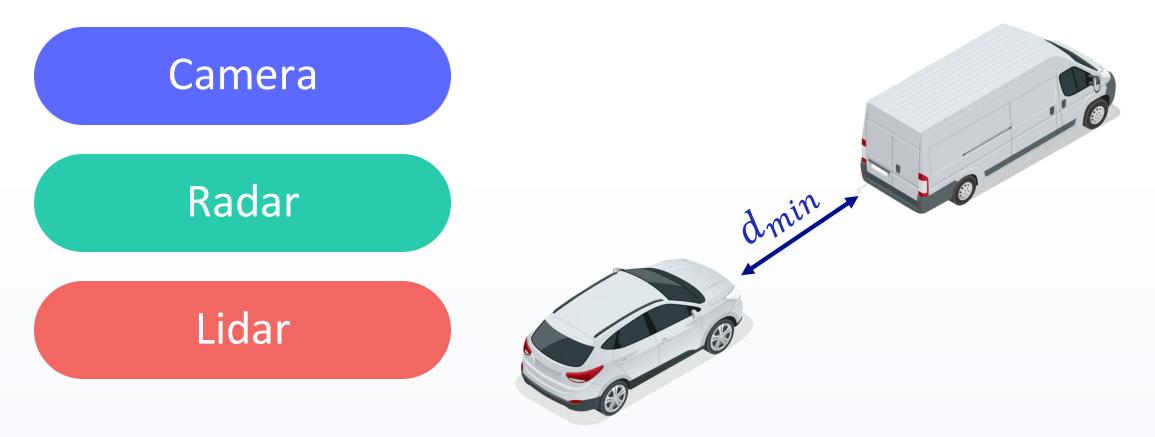
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High Level Fusion: How to Perform

Consider a simple case

We are following a lead vehicle, and we have 3 sensors



If there are contradictions between the sensors, where some dictate a strong braking while others not, what should we do?

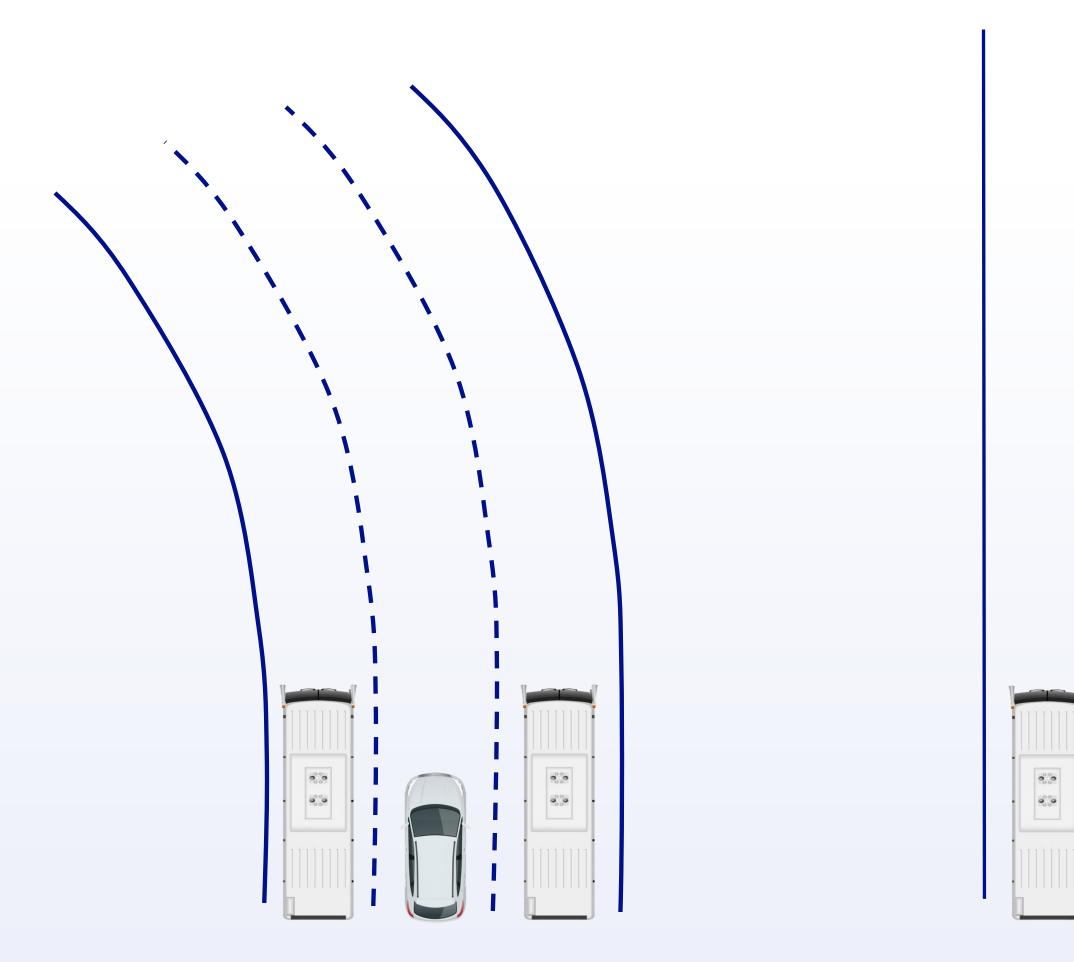
Majority: 2 out of 3 (2003)

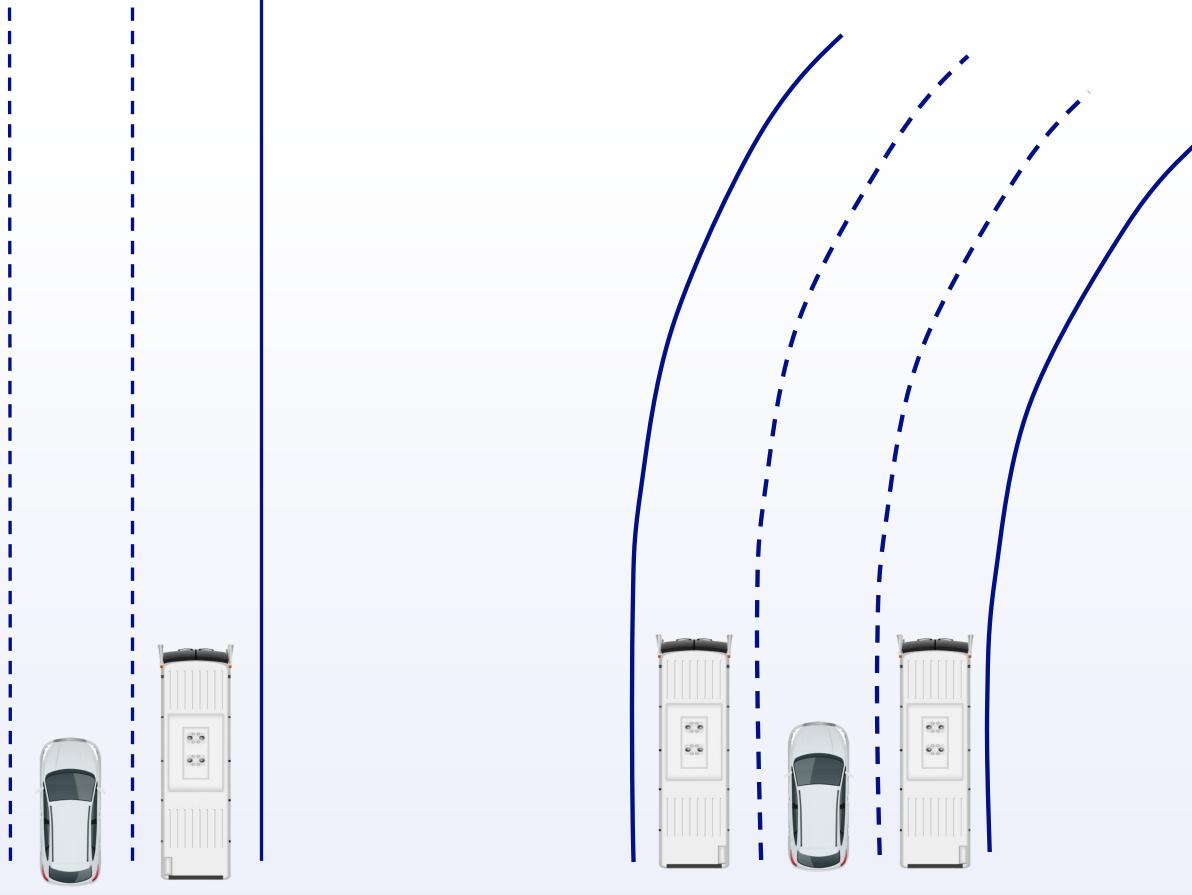
Property of majority

If each modality has an error probability of at most ϵ , and the errors are independent, then majority vote has an error probability of $O(\epsilon^2)$

Majority is Not Always Applicable

Now consider 3 systems, each one predicts where is our lane Majority is not defined for non-binary decisions, so what can be done?





The Primary-Guardian-Fallback (PGF) Fusion

We propose a general approach for generalizing the majority rule to non binary decisions

We build 3 systems

- Primary (P) Predicts where the lane is
- Guardian (G) Checks if the prediction of the primary system is valid or not
- Fallback (F) Predicts where the lane is

Theorem: The PGF has the same property of the majority rule system has an error of $O(\epsilon^2)$



- Otherwise, choose Fallback

If the failure probability of each system is at most ϵ and these probabilities are independent, then the fused





a Boolean, $\hat{\epsilon}_G(P)$, where the goal of this Boolean is to estimate the value of $\epsilon(P)$. The PGF fusion system is:

 $\phi(P,G,F)$

That is, the fused system selects the Fallback trajectory if the Guardian systems estimates that the Primary system fails, and otherwise the fused system selects the Primary system. Let's analyze the probability that the fused system will err.

$$\mathbb{P}[\epsilon(\phi(P,G,F))] = \mathbb{P}[\epsilon(P) \land !\hat{\epsilon}_G(P)] + \mathbb{P}[\epsilon(P) \land !\hat{\epsilon}_G(P)] + \mathbb{P}[\epsilon(F) \land !\hat{\epsilon}_G(P)$$

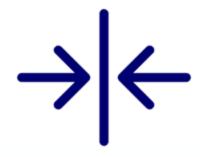
Proof Consider 3 systems, P, G, F, standing for Primary, Guardian, and Fallback. The Primary and Fallback systems are regular SDSs that output a trajectory. The Guarding system gets the trajectory of the primary system and outputs

$$= \begin{cases} F & \text{if } \hat{\epsilon}_G(P) \\ P & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

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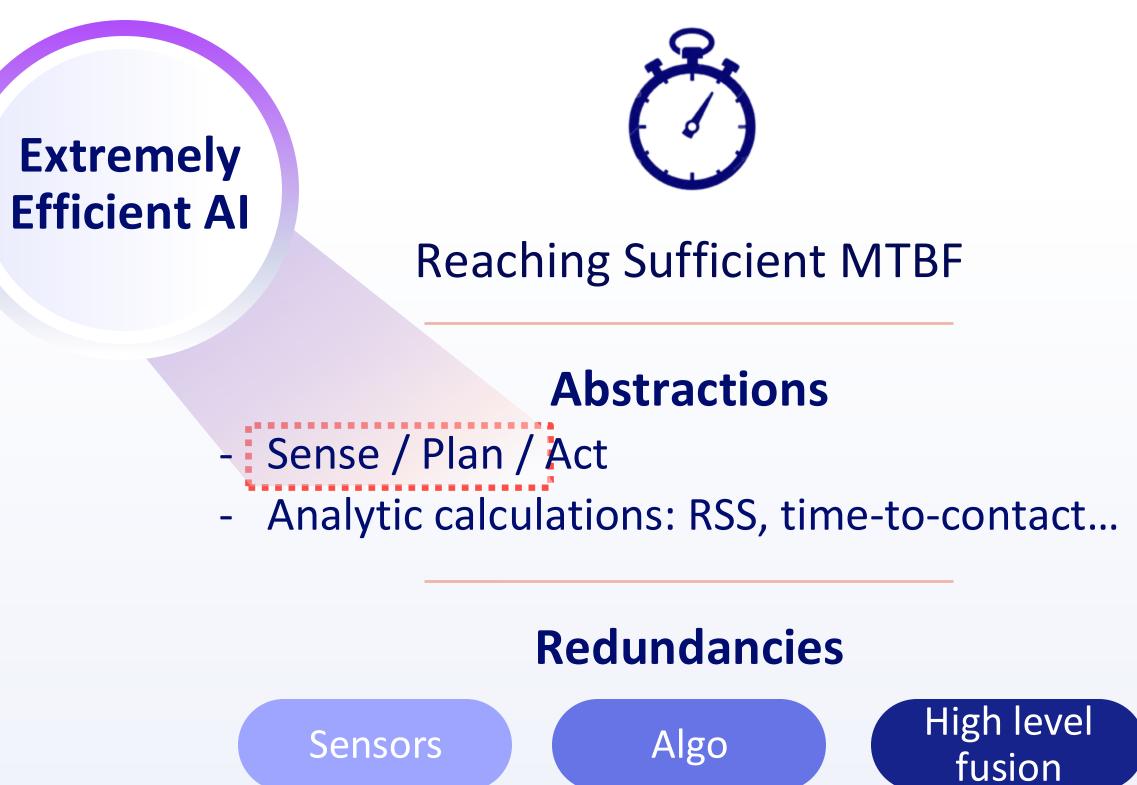
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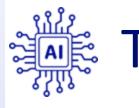
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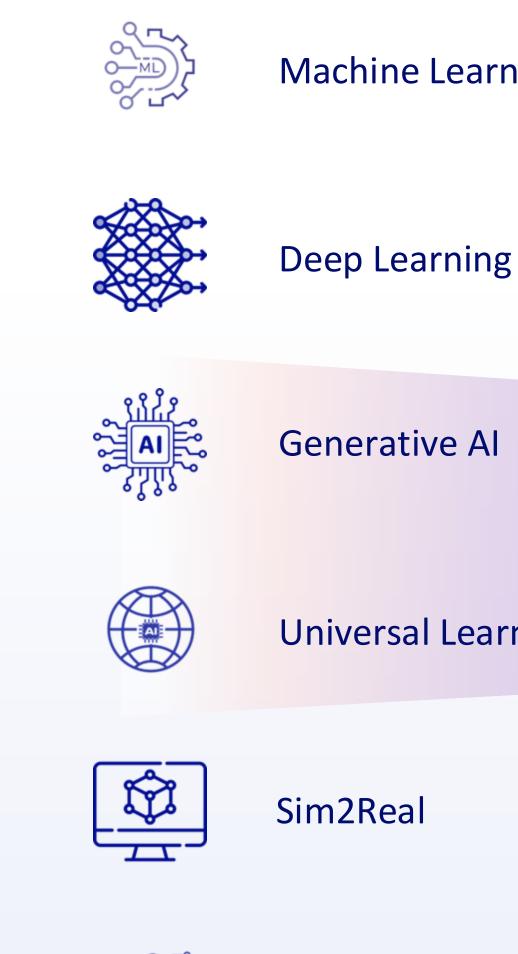
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6 AI Revolutions









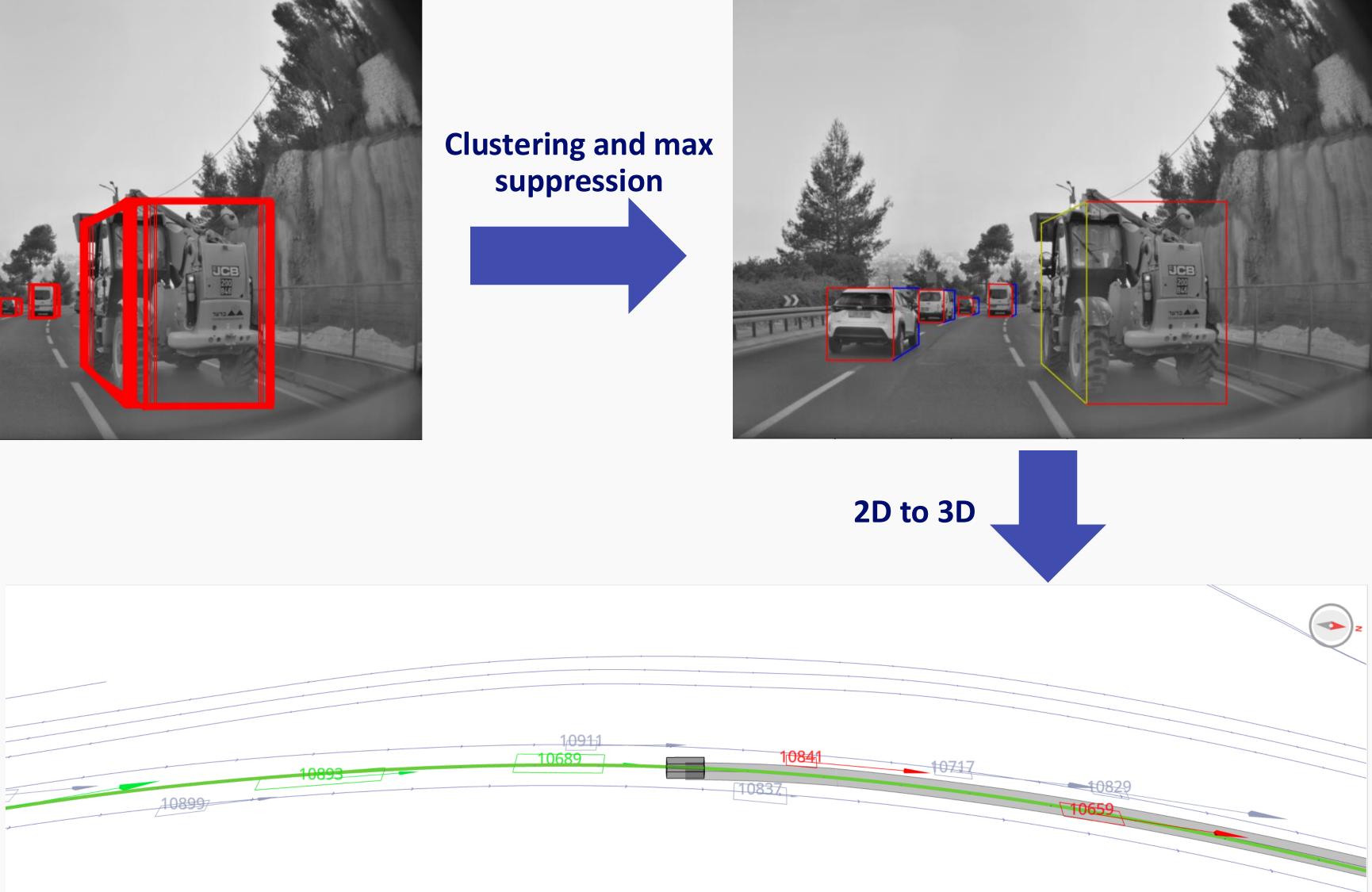
Machine Learning

Transformers

Universal Learning

Pre-Transformers: Object Detection Pipeline







Tokenize everything

Generative, Auto-regressive

Transformer architecture: 'Attention is all you need'



Tokenize everything

Input:

auto-regressive models with suitable loss function

Object detection pipeline example:

Input

Single image

'Tokenized' input Sequence of image patches

'Tokenized' output

Sequence of 4 coordinates determining the location of the objects in the image



- Transcribe each input modality (e.g., text, images) into a sequence of tokens
- **Output:** Transcribe each output modality as a sequence of tokens and employ generative,
- **Accommodates:** Complex input and output structures (e.g., sets, sequences, trees)



- Generative, Auto-regressive
 - **Previous approach:** Classification or regression with fixed, small size, outputs (e.g., ImageNet) **Current approach**: Learn probabilities for sequences of arbitrary length (e.g., sentence
 - **Current approach**: Learn probabilities t generation)
 - Key Features: Chain Rule Models sequence dependencies
 - Generative Fits data using maximum likelihood
 - **Enables:** Self-supervision (e.g., future words in a document)
 - Handles uncertainty (multiple valid outputs by learning P[y|x])



Example: Consider a 1000x1000 pixel image containing 4 vehicles, with the image divided into 10x10 pixel patches. What are the probabilities for identifying vehicle positions when not using the chain rule compared to when using the chain rule?

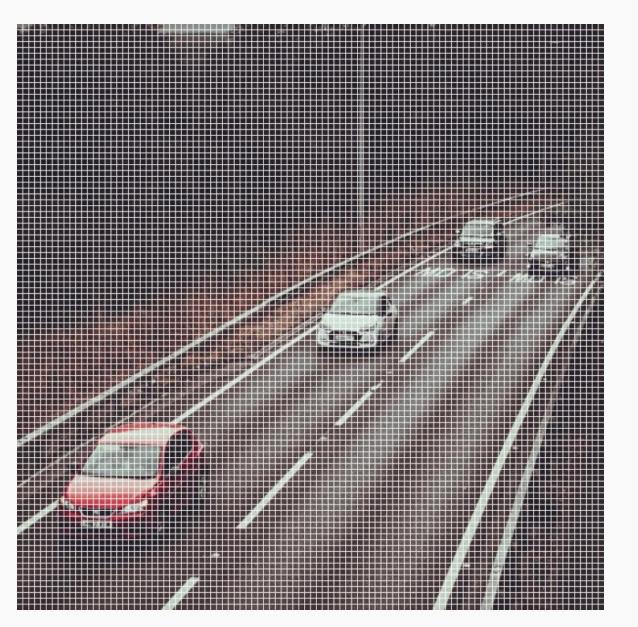


List of 4 coordinates per vehicle $(x_{1,1}, y_{1,1}, x_{1,2}, y_{1,2}, ...$

Without using the chain rule

 $P(vehicles|I) = P(x_{1,1}, y_{1,1}, x_{1,2}, y_{1,2}, \dots, x_{4,1}, y_{4,1}, x_{4,2}, y_{4,2}|I)$

 $Dim = 10^{32}$

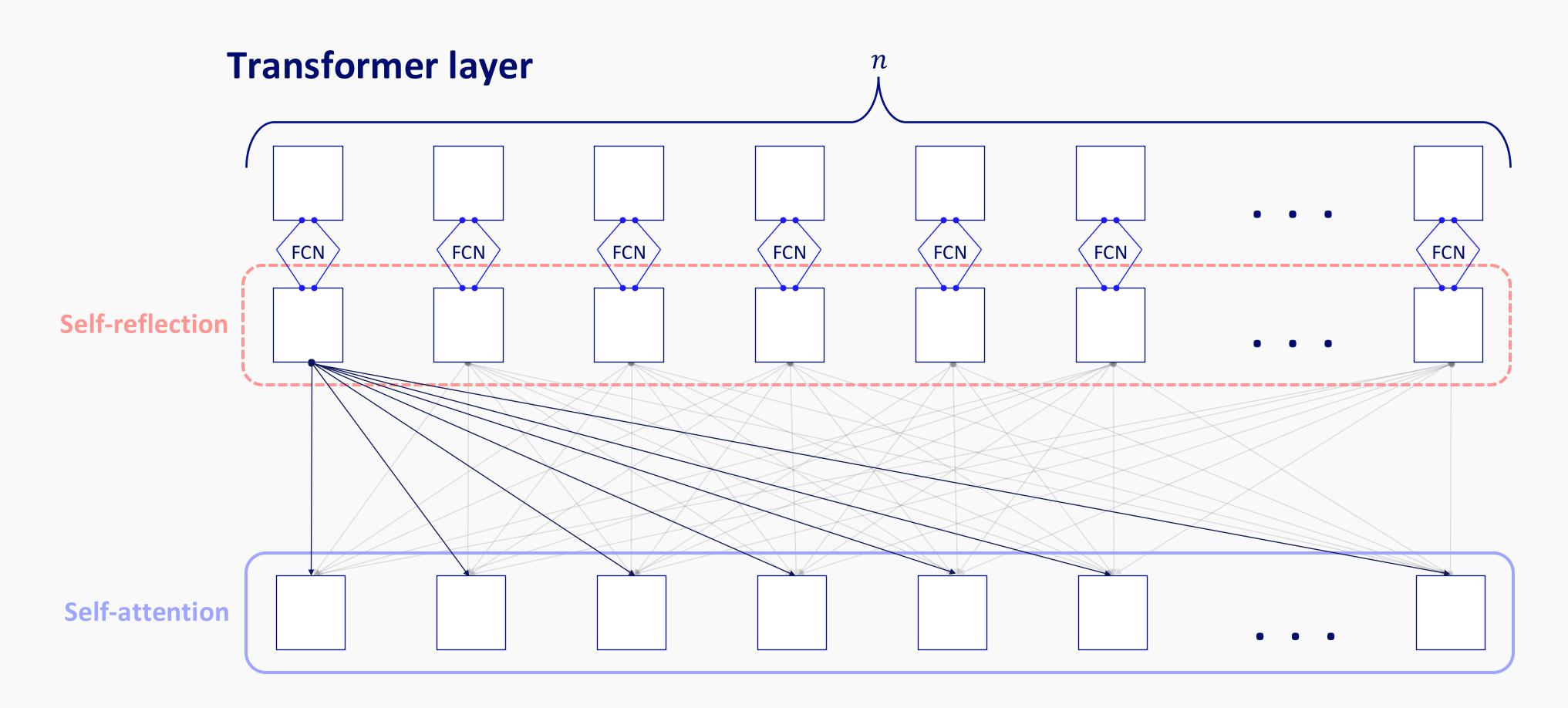


$$, x_{4,1}, y_{4,1}, x_{4,2}, y_{4,2})$$

Using the chain rule P(vehicles|I) $= P(x_{1,1}|I) * P(y_{1,1}|x_{1,1}, I) * \dots * P(y_{4,2}|x_{1,1}, \dots, x_{4,2}, I)$ Dim = 100



Transformer architecture: 'Attention is all you need' Tailored for problem of predicting $P[token_{n+1} | token_n, token_{n-1}, ..., token_0]$



Transformers Layer: Group Thinking Analogy

Imagine a team discussing a project

- Each person has their own area of expertise
- they all contribute to the overall outcome
- Everyone is working simultaneously rather than one after another

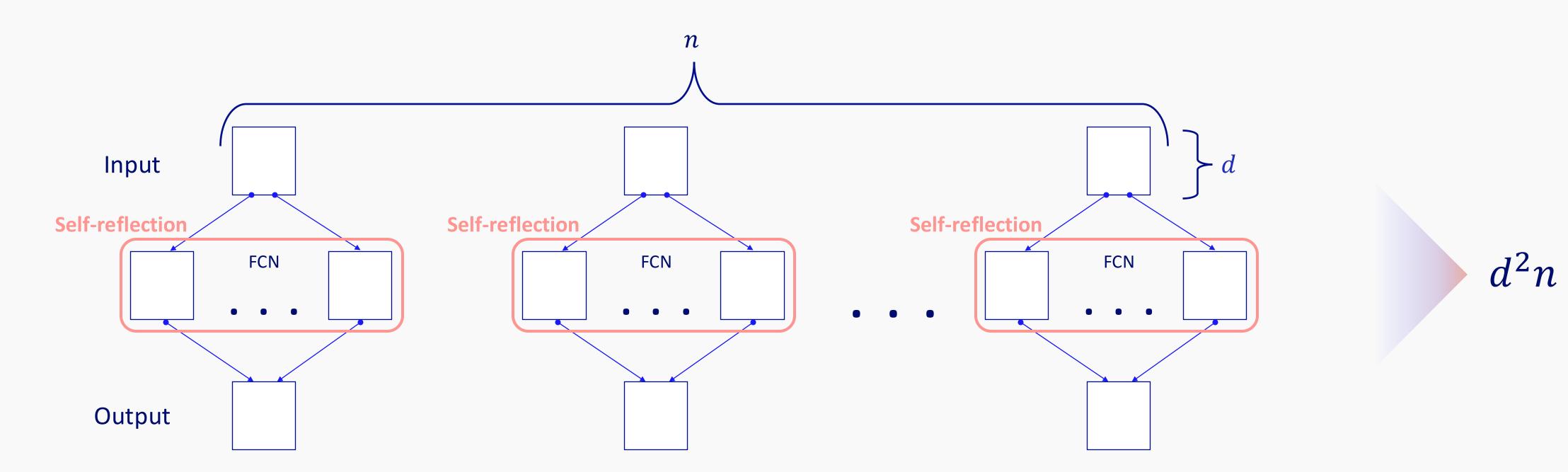
and organize their thoughts





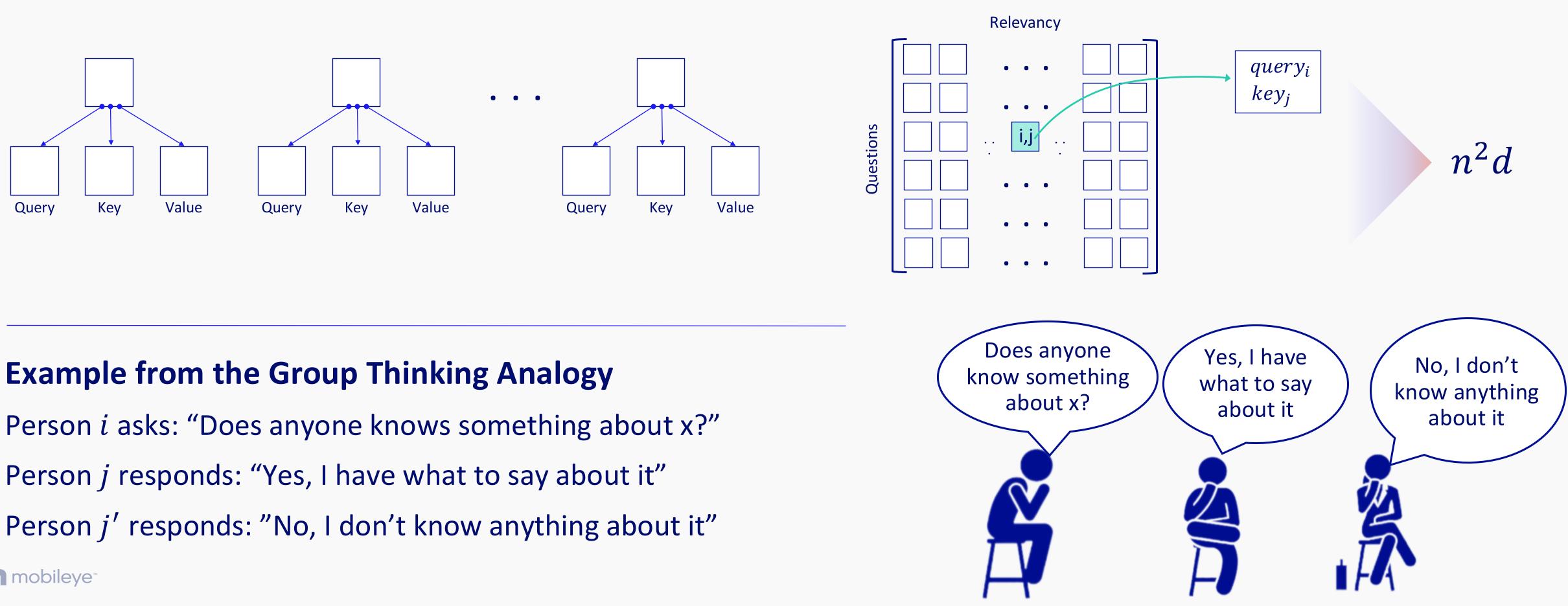
Transformers Layer: Self-Reflection

- Each token individually processes its 'knowledge' using a multi-layer-perceptron, without interacting with other tokens



Transformers Layer: Self-Attention

- The querying token then averages the received values, facilitating inter-token connectivity

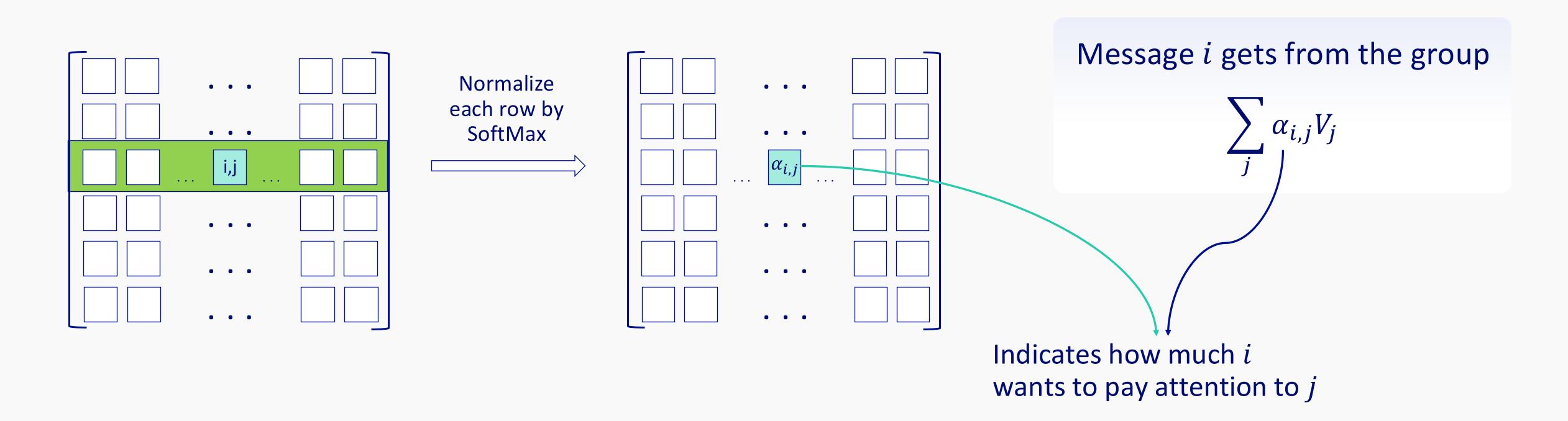


Person *j* responds: "Yes, I have what to say about it"

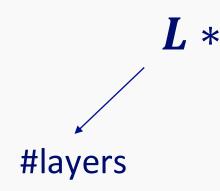
- Each token send 'query' to the other tokens, which respond with values if their 'key' match the 'query'

Transformers Layer: Self-Attention

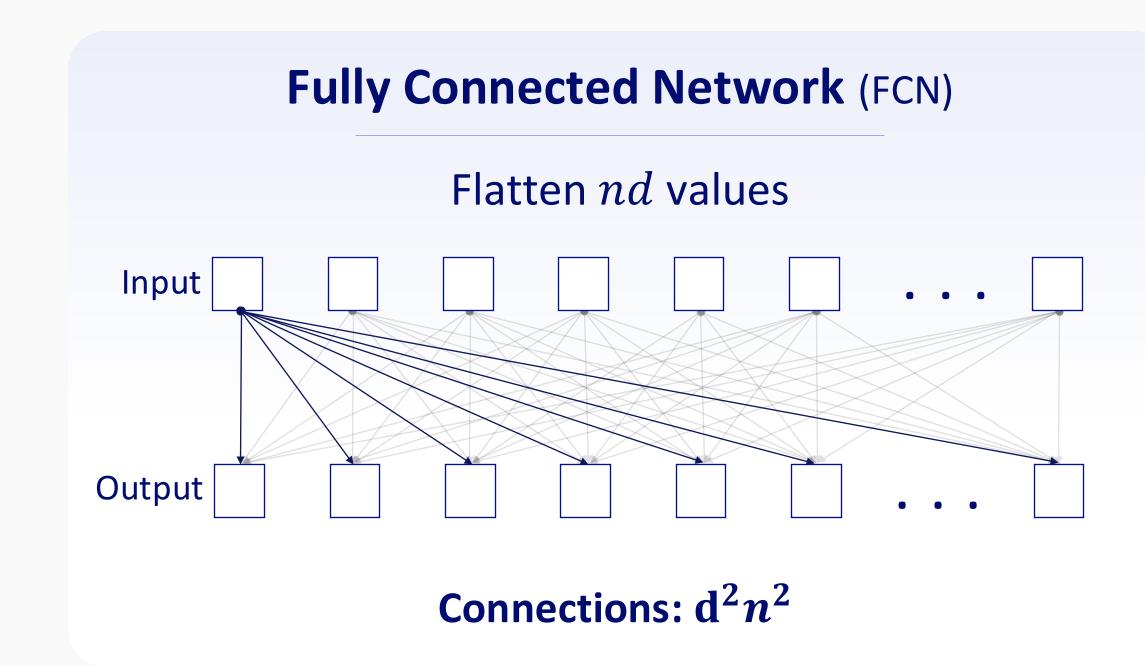
Normalizes Scores: It converts raw attention scores into **normalized probabilities Probability Distribution**: Each set of attention scores is transformed so that their probabilities sum to 1 **Focus Mechanism:** This allows the model to weigh different parts of the input differently, focusing more on relevant parts based on the probabilities



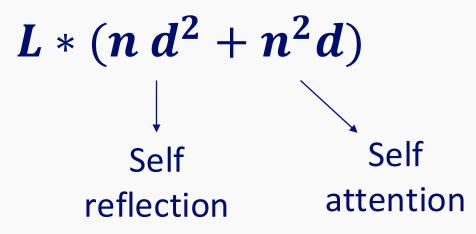
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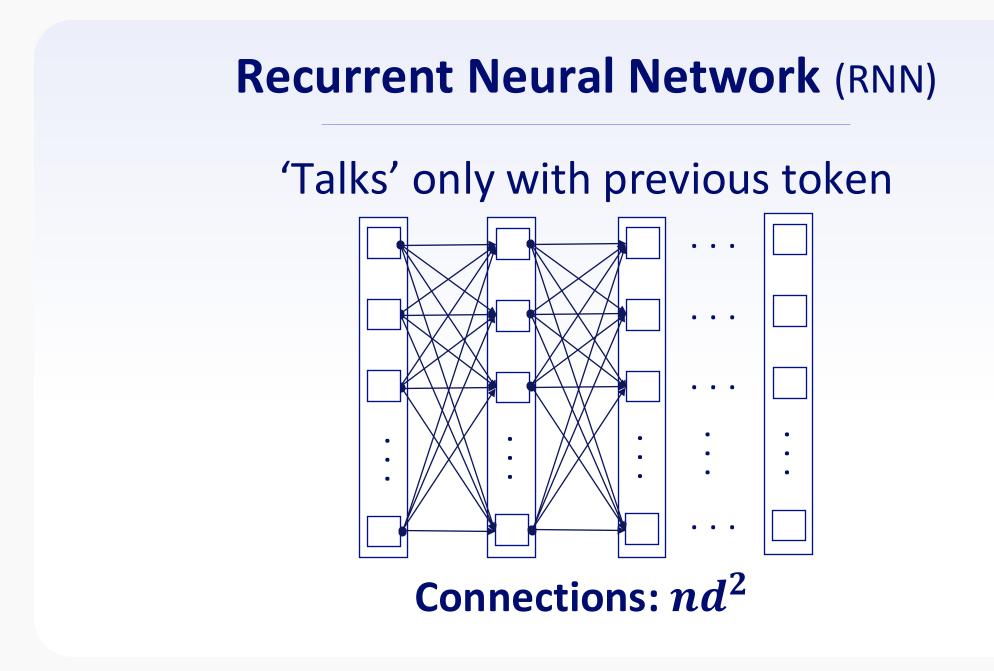


Cost per layer for alternative architectures:

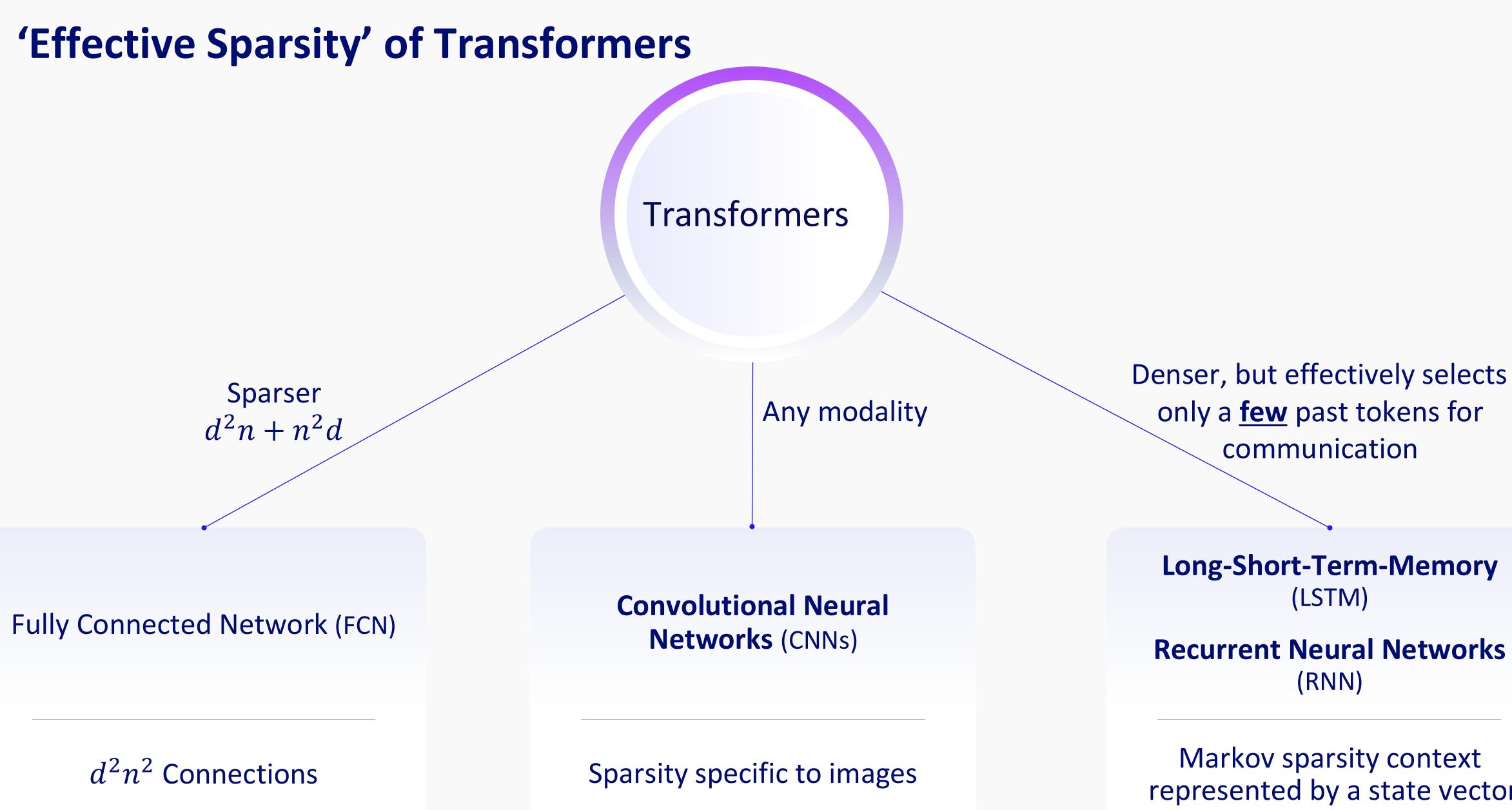












Long-Short-Term-Memory

Recurrent Neural Networks

Markov sparsity context represented by a state vector



The 3 Revolutions Enable a Universal Solution

Handle all types of inputs Deals with uncertainty (by learning probability) Enables all types of outputs

The ultimate learning machine?

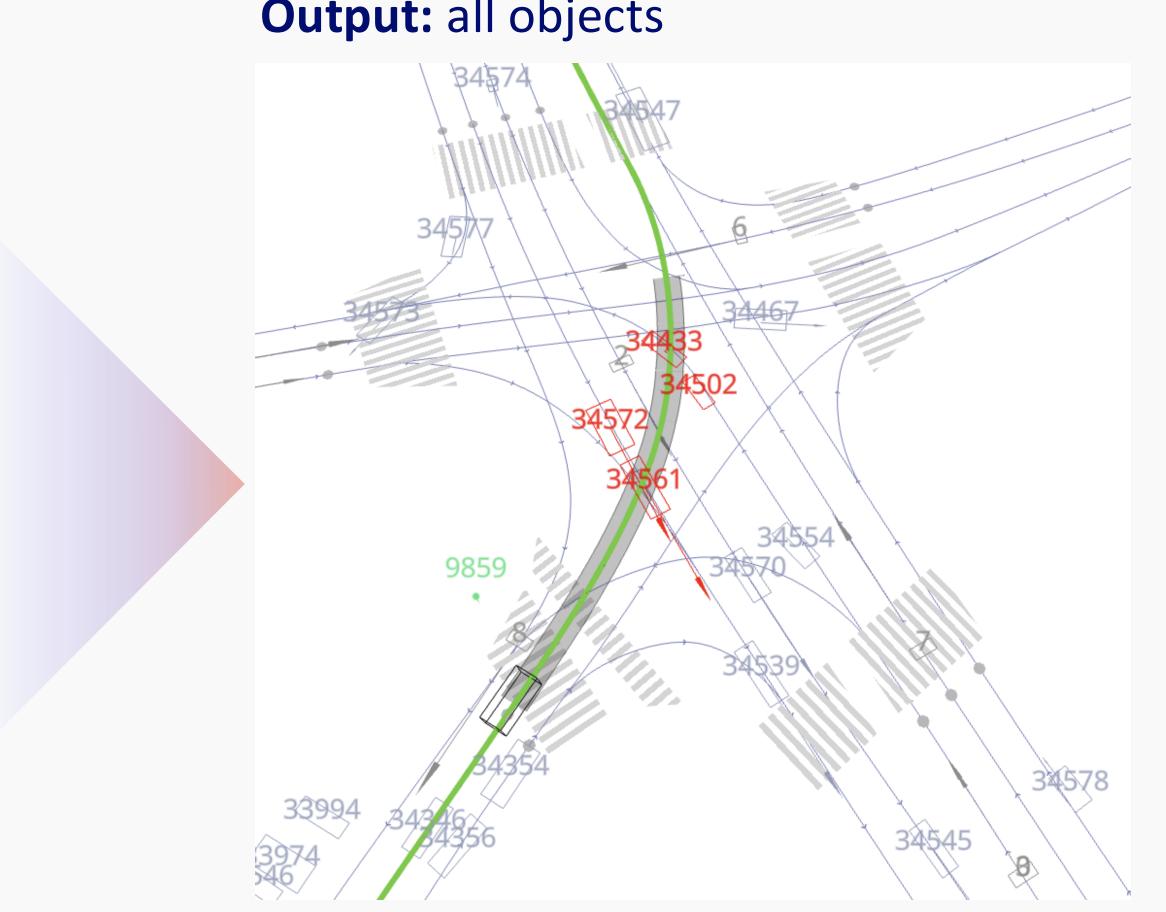
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Input: images





Output: all objects



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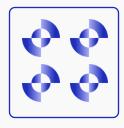
The 5 "Multi" problems



Multi-camera: surround



Multi-frame: : from multiple time stamps



Multi-object: needs to output all (vehicles, pedestrians, hazards, ...)

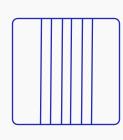
Universality of Transformers -

- tokens
- **Regressive manner**

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Multi-scale: needs to detect far and close objects at different resolutions



Multi-lanes: needs to assign objects to relevant lanes / crosswalks

- Encode image patches (from different cameras, different frames, and different resolutions) as

- Encode objects as a sequence of tokens (for each object: position, velocity, dimensions, type) - Apply a Transformer to generate the probability of output tokens given input tokens in an Auto-

Network Architecture: Vanilla Transformer

- CNN backbone for creating image tokens:
 - C = 32 high resolution images are converted to 32 images of resolution 20x15 yielding N_p = 300 "*pixels*" per image, and d = 256 channels
- Encoder:

 - We have $N = C * N_p = 9600$ "image tokens", each at dimension d = 256- A vanilla transformer network with L layers requires $O(L * (N^2d + d^2N))$ - Encoder alone requires around 100 TOPs (assuming 10Hz, L=32)
- Decoder:
 - Predict a sequence of tokens representing all the objects (hundreds of tokens)
 - A vanilla AR decoding is sequential, and with KV cache, each iteration involves compute of at least O(LNd) per token prediction (but the real issue is IO of LNd here)
 - Around 100Mb per token prediction!

Vanilla Transformers are Not Effiecient

Transformers are a brute force approach with limited way to utilize prior knowledge This is the "dark side" of universality

Self-connectivity: nd^2

GPT3 d = 12288 n = 2048

 $nd^2 = 317B$

We pay both

- Sample complexity (d is large as it needs to handle all the information in each token)
- Computational complexity of inference (n, d are large)
- (both issues are known in the literature, and general mitigations such as "mixture-ofexperts" and "state-space-models" were proposed)

Inter-connectivity: $n^2 d$

 n^2d

In AV $n \approx 10^4$, which becomes a bottleneck

What About End-to-End From Pixels to Control Commands

Weaknesses of transformers

Brute force

The learning objective (of learning P[y|x]) prefers 'common & incorrect' y over 'rare & correct' y

Questionable whether it can reach sufficiently high MTBF

- Misses important abstractions and therefore doesn't generalize well
- The Shortcut Learning Problem

(as part of CAIS, our e2e architecture has an additional head that outputs control commands directly as well, which is fine as a low MTBF redundant component)

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Implications

- Must output Sensing State
- Each subsystem must be super efficient because we don't have a single system





Reaching Sufficient MTBF

Abstractions

- Sense / Plan / Act
- Analytic calculations: RSS, time-to-contact...









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STAT: Sparse Typed Attention

Vanilla transformer: $n^2d + d^2n$

STAT:

- Token Types: Each token has a "type"
- Dimensionality: of embeddings and self-reflection matrices may vary based on the token type.
- Token Connectivity: The connectivity between tokens is sparse and depends on their types
- Link Tokens: We add "link" tokens for controlling the connectivity
- Inference Efficiency: For our end-to-end object detection task, STAT is x100 faster at inference time and at the same time slightly improves performance

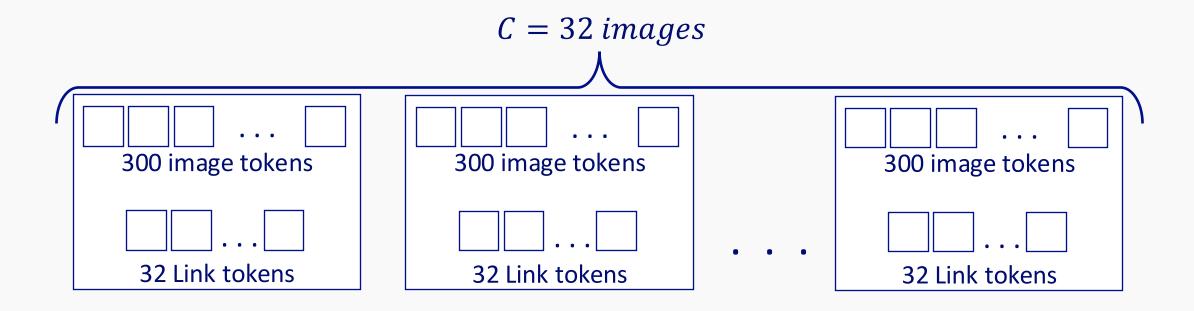
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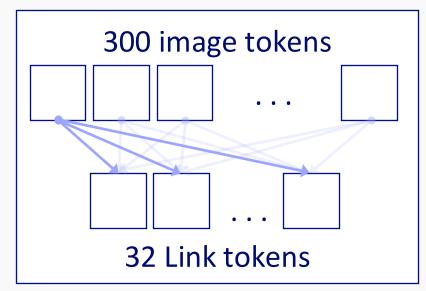
STAT Encoder for Object Detection:

- Token types:
 - Image tokens: recall, we have C = 32 images each with
 - $N_p = 300 "pixels"$, yielding 9600 image tokens
 - We add $N_L = 32$ "*Link*" tokens per image
- **STAT Block**:
 - Within each image, Cross Attention between the 300 image tokens and the 32 link tokens ($C * N_p * N_L * d$)
 - Across images, full self attention between all link tokens $(C * N_L)^2 d$
 - Compared to $(C * N_p)^2 d$ in vanilla transformers, we get a factor improvement of $\left(\frac{N_p}{N_I}\right) * \min(C, \frac{N_p}{N_I})$, which is approximately **x100** faster in our case
- **Performance**: For our end-to-end object detection task, STAT is not only x100, but also improves performance (we enlarge the expressivity of the network while making it much faster at inference time)

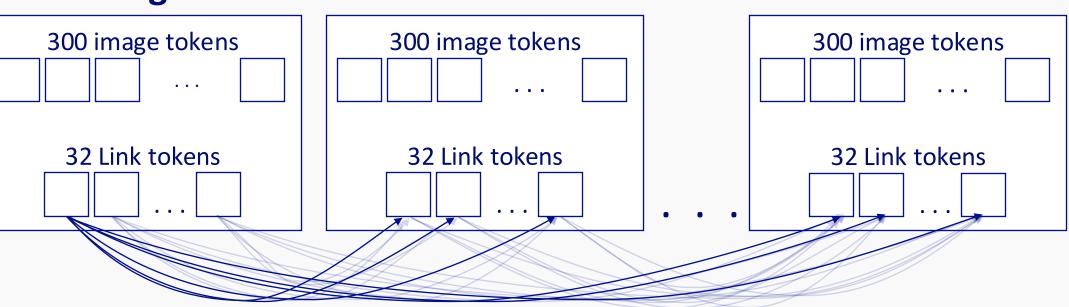
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Cross attention



Cross image



Parallel Auto-Regressive (PAR)

We need to detect all objects in the scene: What is the order? **Auto-Regressive:** It doesn't matter due to the chain rule !

Price of sequential decoding

- Sequential decoding is costly on all modern deep learning chips (due to IO)
- We added un-needed "fake uncertainty" (what is the order)

DeTR (**DET**ection **Tr**ansformer, Facebook AI, May 2020)

- Output all objects in parallel
- Hungarian matching to determine the relative order between the network's predictions and the order of the ground truth
- **Problem**: Doesn't deal well with true uncertainty
 - The "truck and trailer" problem
 - Streets which can be 1 or 2 lanes, etc.

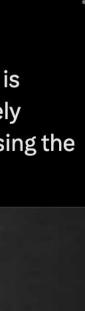


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Classification vs. Regression is not the issue. The real question is whether you model the uncertainty. And, btw, this is not a merely academic question, it has practical implications. I'll illustrate using the "truck-and-trailer problem". 1/n

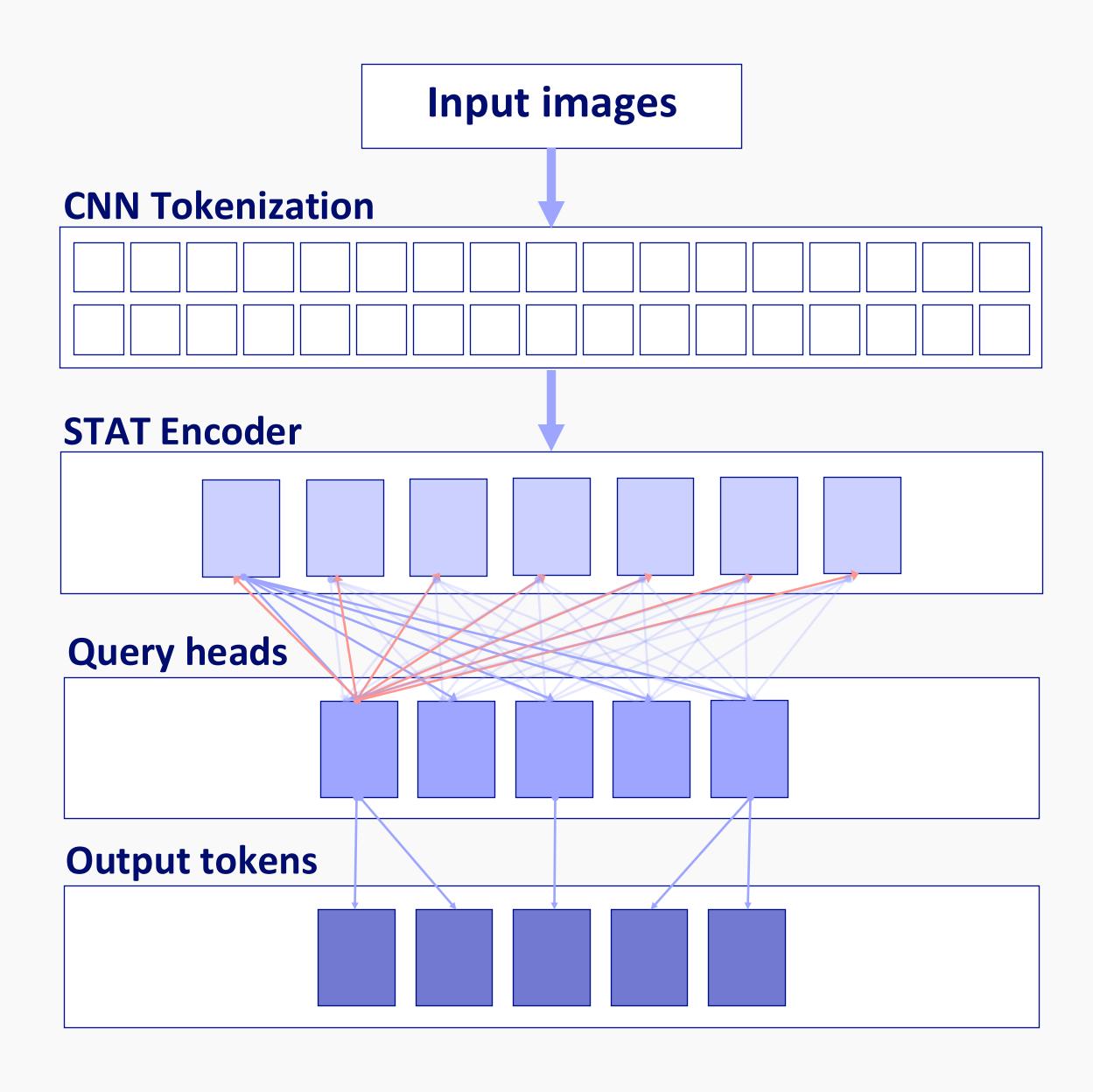






Parallel Auto-Regressive (PAR)

- The decoder contains query heads which perform cross attention with the encoder's link tokens entirely in parallel
- Each query head outputs, auto-regressively,
 0/1/2 objects (independently and in parallel to the other query heads)
- → dealing only with "true uncertainties" and not with "fake uncertainties"



Intermediate Summary

Transformers revolutionized AI

- The good
 - Universal, generative, Al
- The bad
 - Can't separate "correct & rare" from "wrong & common"
 - Miss important abstractions
 - Questionable when very high accuracy is required

- The ugly

Brute force approach, unnecessarily expensive -

Working <u>smarter</u> with transformers

- **STAT**: x100 faster & better accuracy
- **PAR**: x10 faster & embrace uncertainty only when it is needed



Machine Learning



Deep Learning



Generative AI

Transformers



Universal Learning



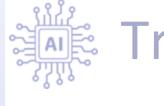
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Extremely Efficient Al











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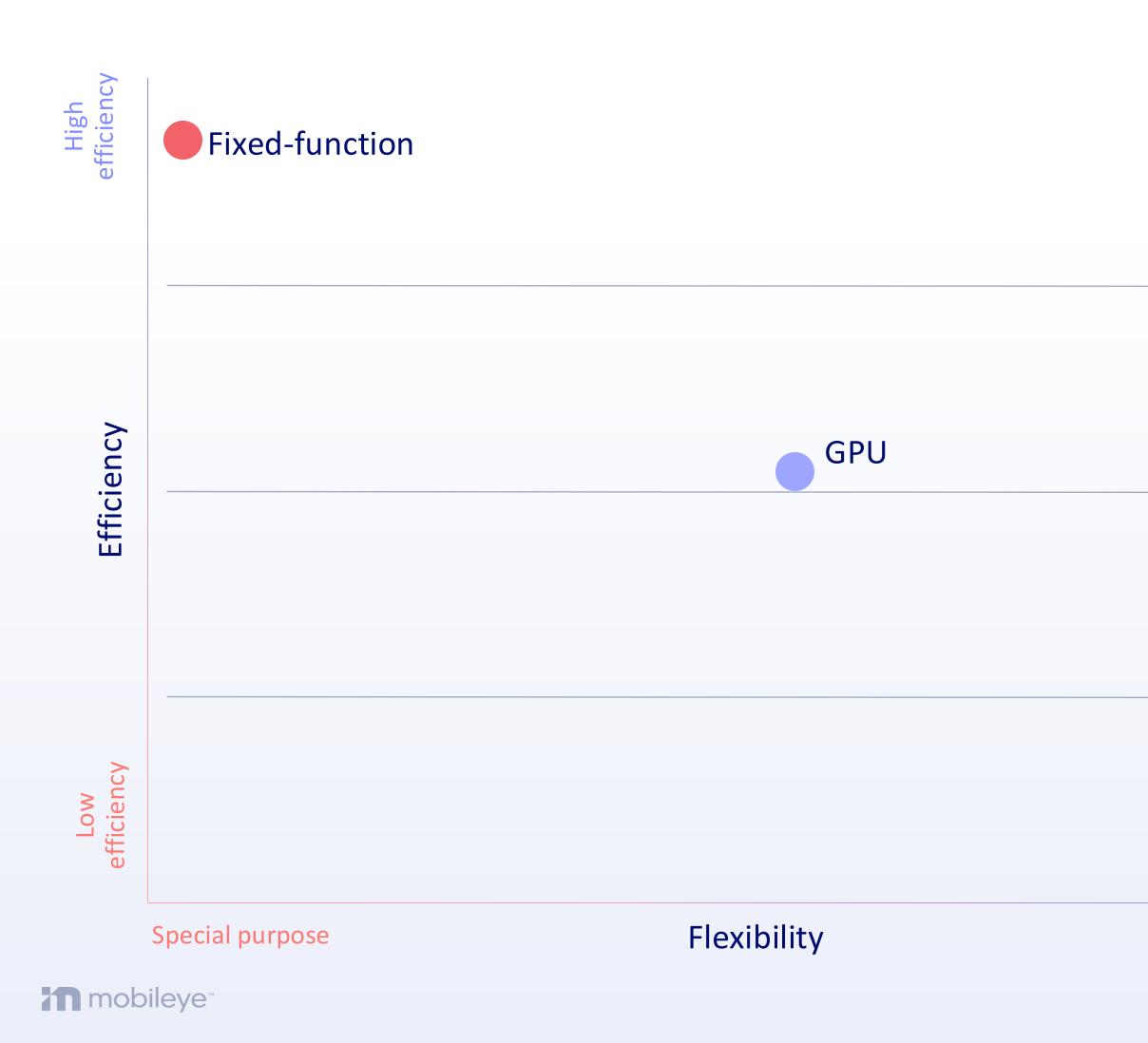
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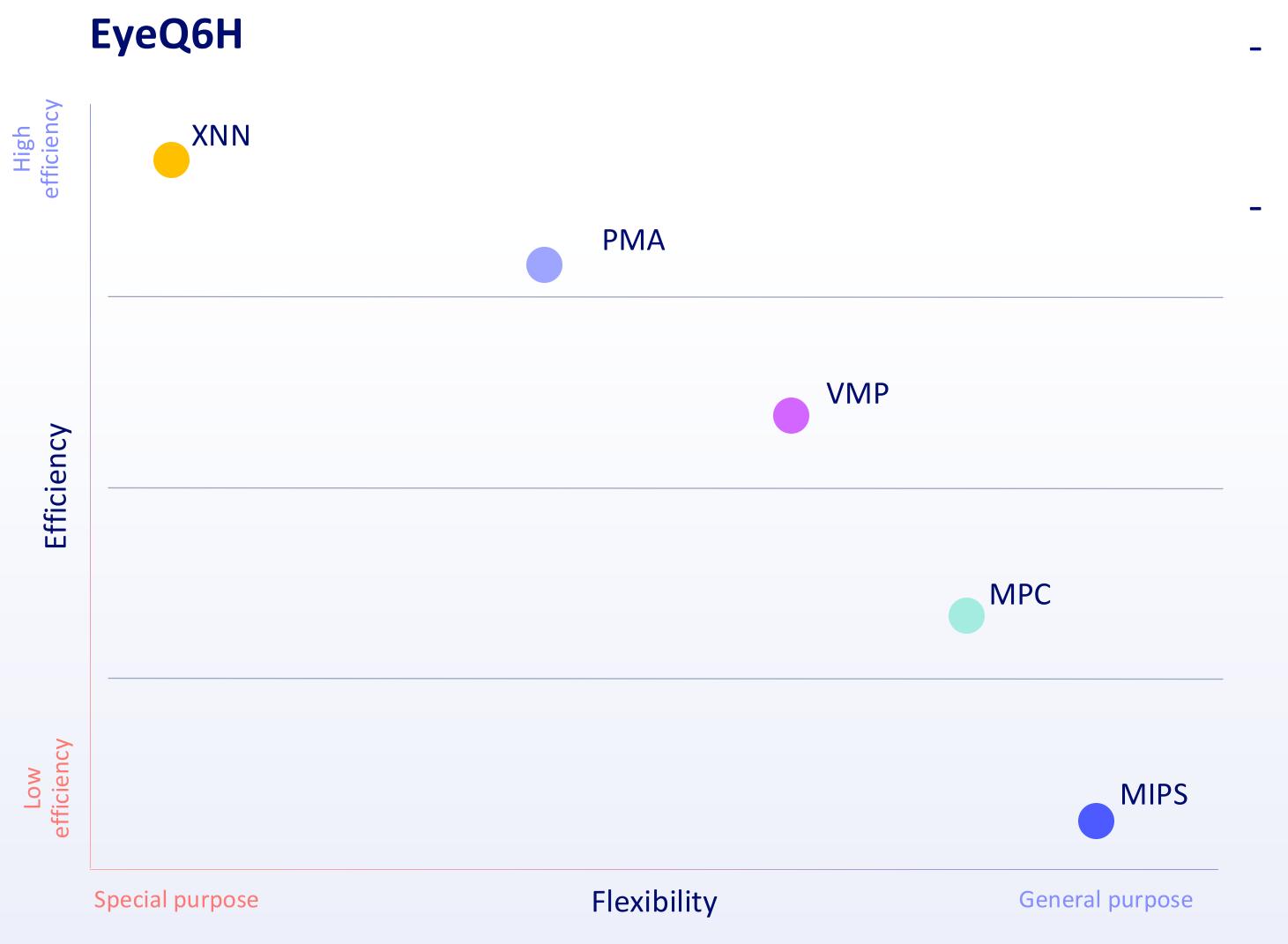
Hardware Architectures Tradeoff: Flexibility vs. Efficiency





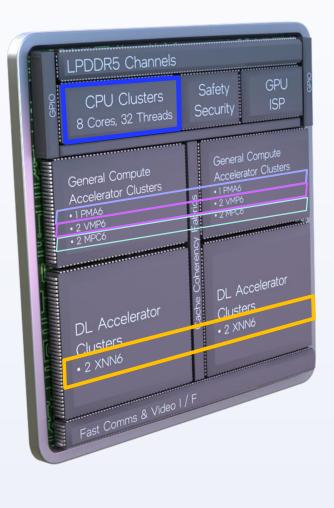
General purpose

EyeQ6 High: 5 Distinct Architectures



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- Address Mobileye's high efficiency and flexibility needs
- Enable accelerating range of parallel compute paradigms





5 Distinct Architectures: Enhanced Parallel Processing

MIPS

- A general-purpose CPU

MPC

- A CPU specialized for thread level parallelism

VMP

- Very-Long-Instruction-Width (VLIW) Single-Instruction-Multiple-Data (SIMD)
- a set of 8-bit images of different resolutions and tone-maps)
- Basically, performs operations on vectors of integers

PMA

- Coarse-Grain-Reconfigurable-Array (CGRA)
- Designed for data-level parallelism including floating point arithmetic -
- Basically, performs operations on vectors of floats -

XNN

related activation post-processing computations: Excels in CNNs, FCNs, Transformers

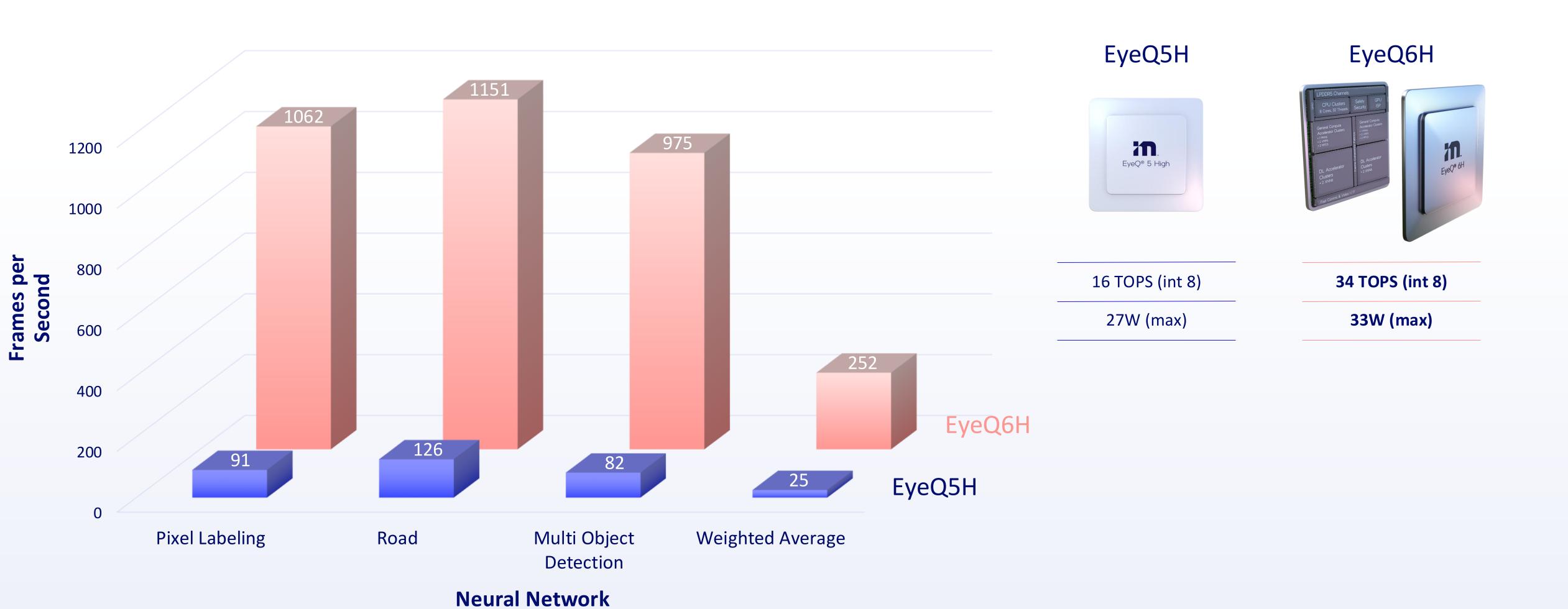
- Designed for data-level parallelism of fixed points arithmetic (e.g., converge the 12-bit raw image into

- Dedicated to fixed functions for deep learning: convolutions, matrix-multiplication/fully-connect, and

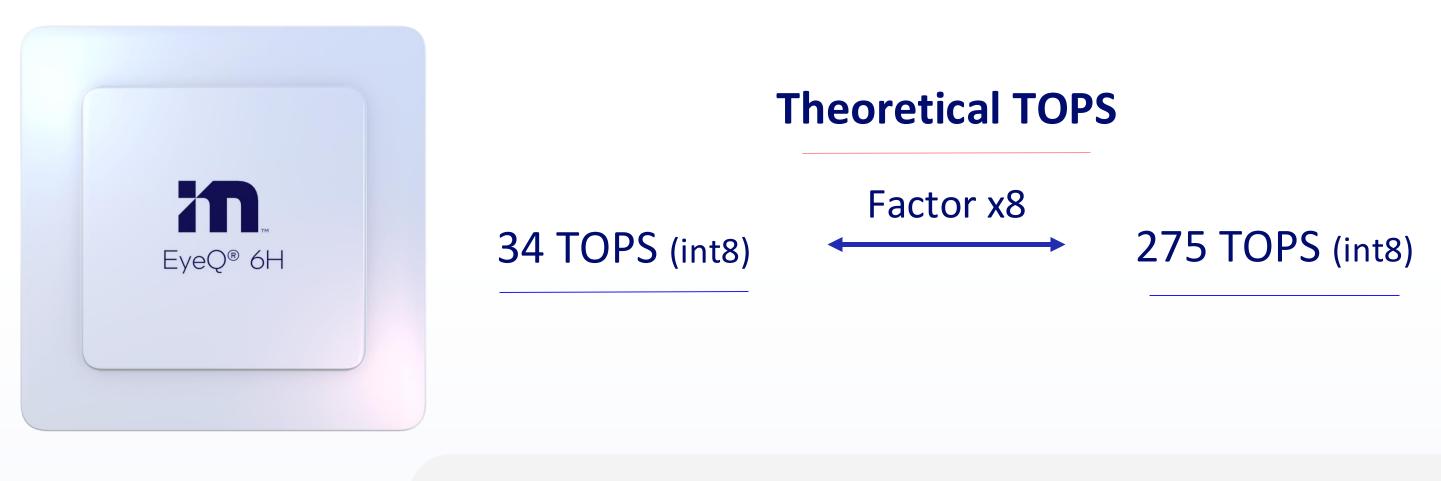




EyeQ6H vs. EyeQ5H: 2x in TOPS, But 10x in FPS!



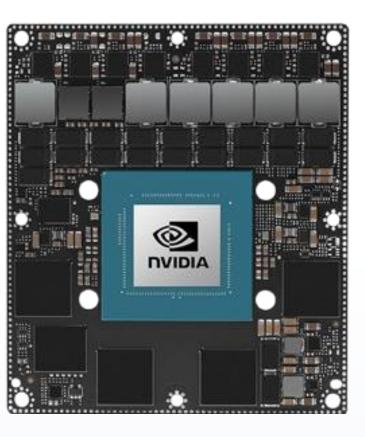
EyeQ6H vs. Orin: It's Not All About TOPS



Frames per Second for ResNet50 Only factor x2

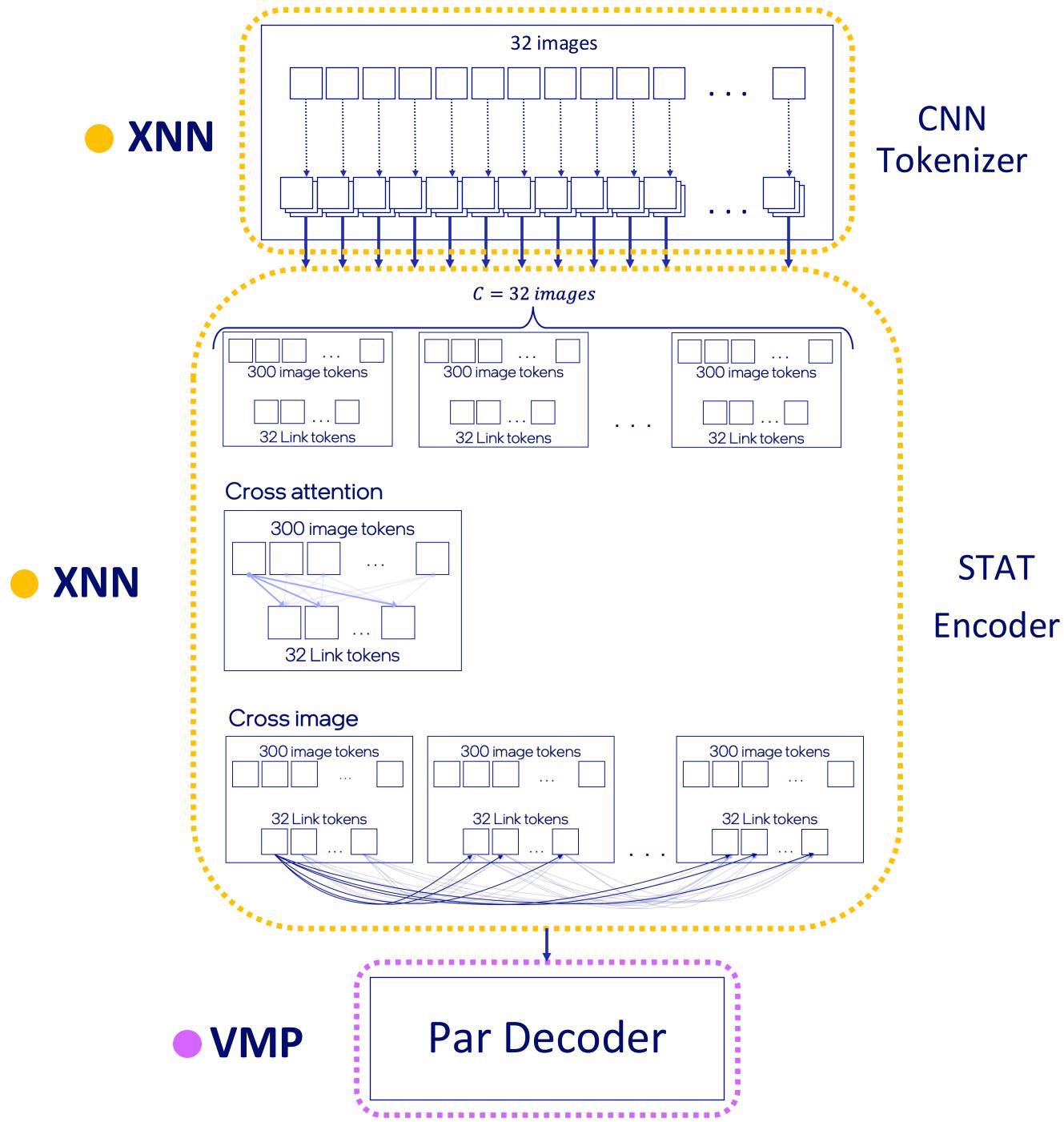
Conclusion

- TOPS are a poor measure for compute capabilities



End-to-End Sensing State Network

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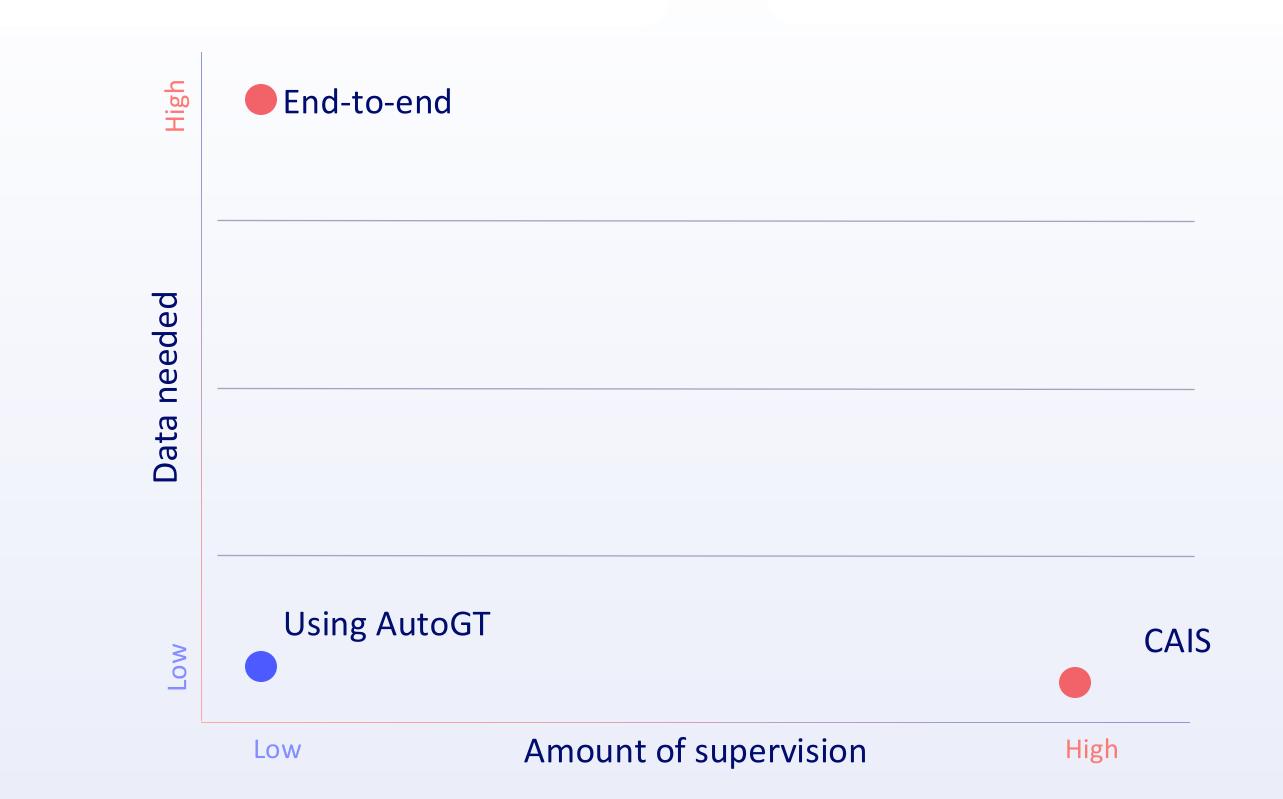
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Automatic Ground Truth: CAIS vs. End-to-End

Compound AI System

- Injecting abstractions: Sensing State, RSS, PGF, etc.
- Need to label data: Normally does through supervised learning





End-to-end solution

- Much more data
- Unsupervised

Automatic Ground Truth: How to Reduce #Labels

Easier problem to solve

- Since the future is known
 - Kinematics become easier
 - Circumvent temporary occlusions
 - Can focus on short range + tracking
- Powerful (expensive) sensor (e.g., 360° Lidar)

Offline compute

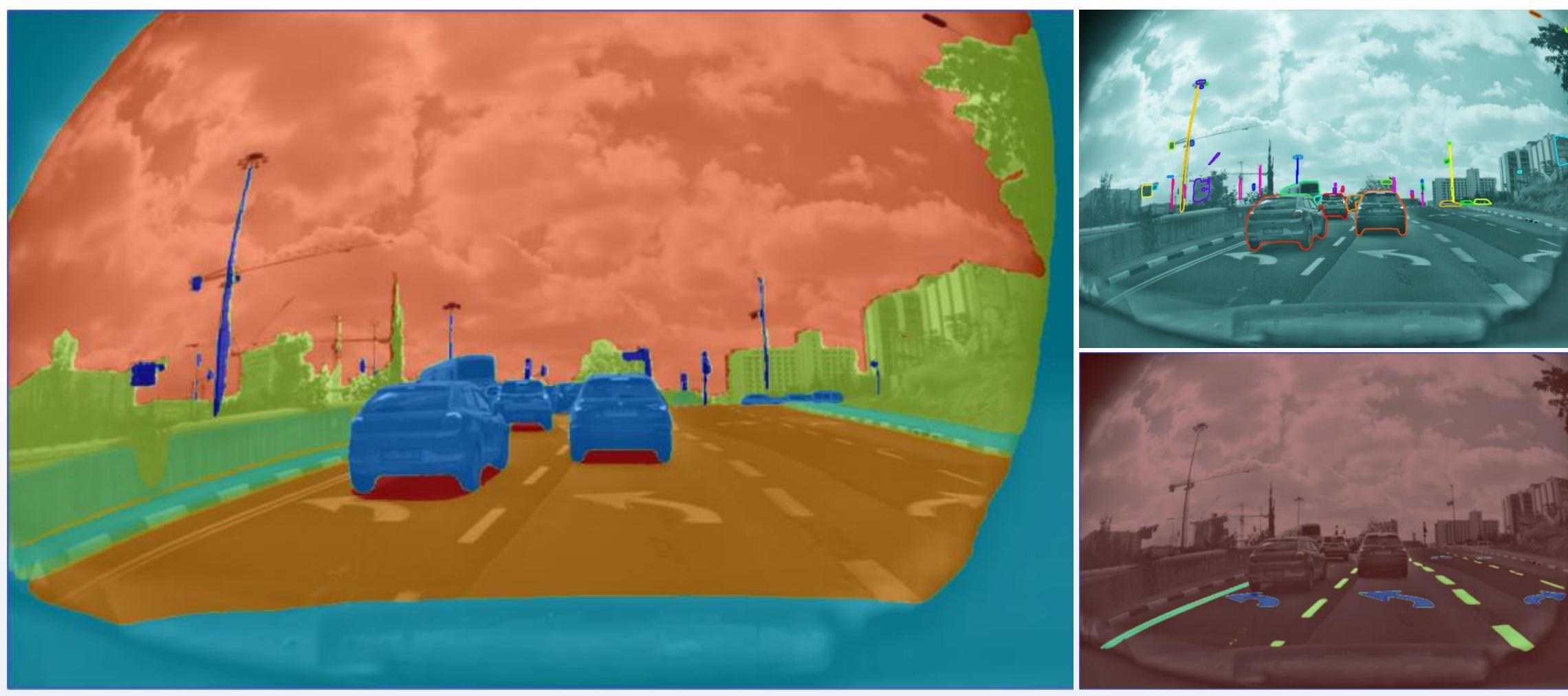
- Train foundation model on large unsupervised data
- Supervised fine tuning on a smaller number of labels

The future is known



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Automatic Ground Truth: Foundation Model



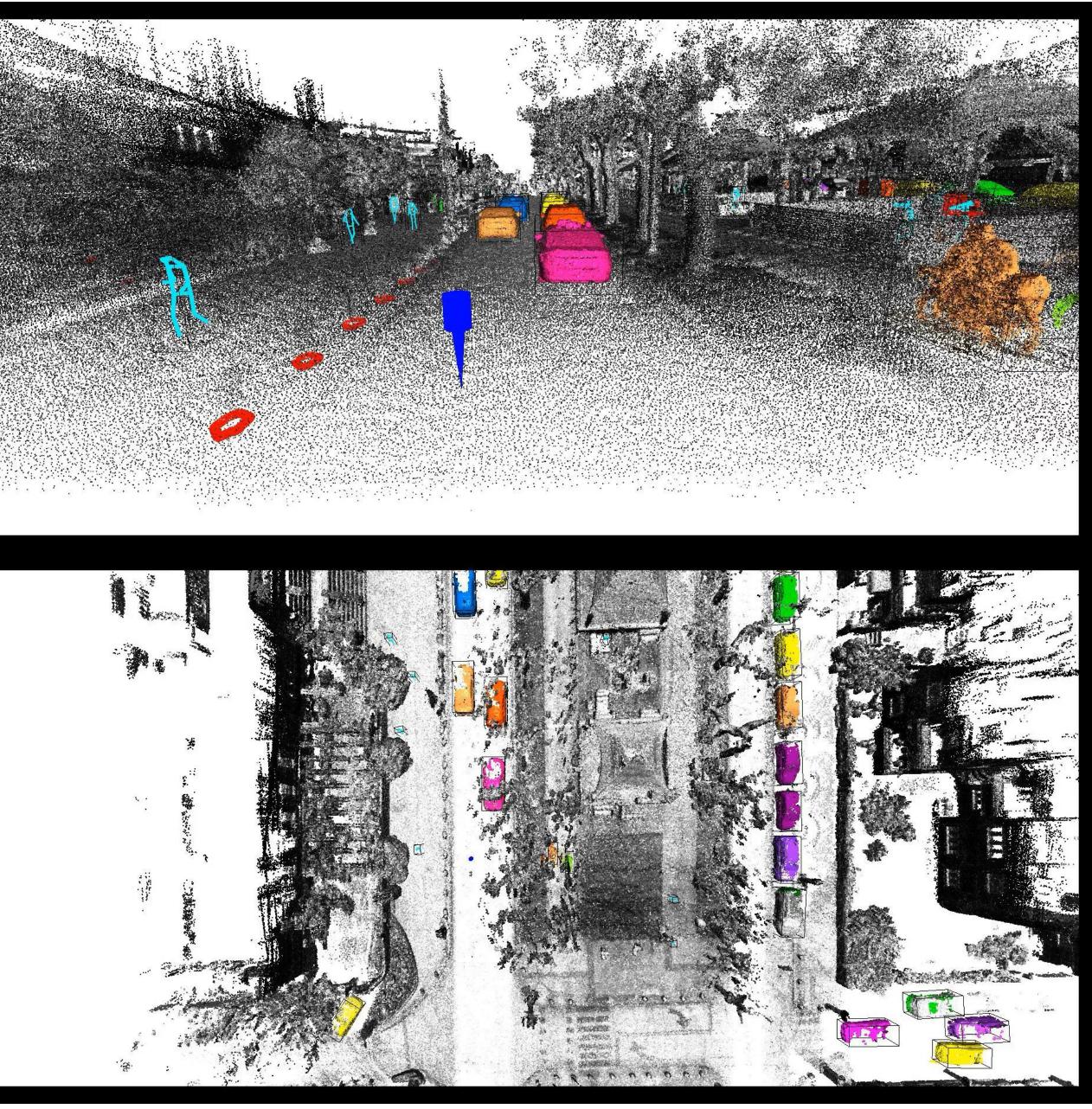
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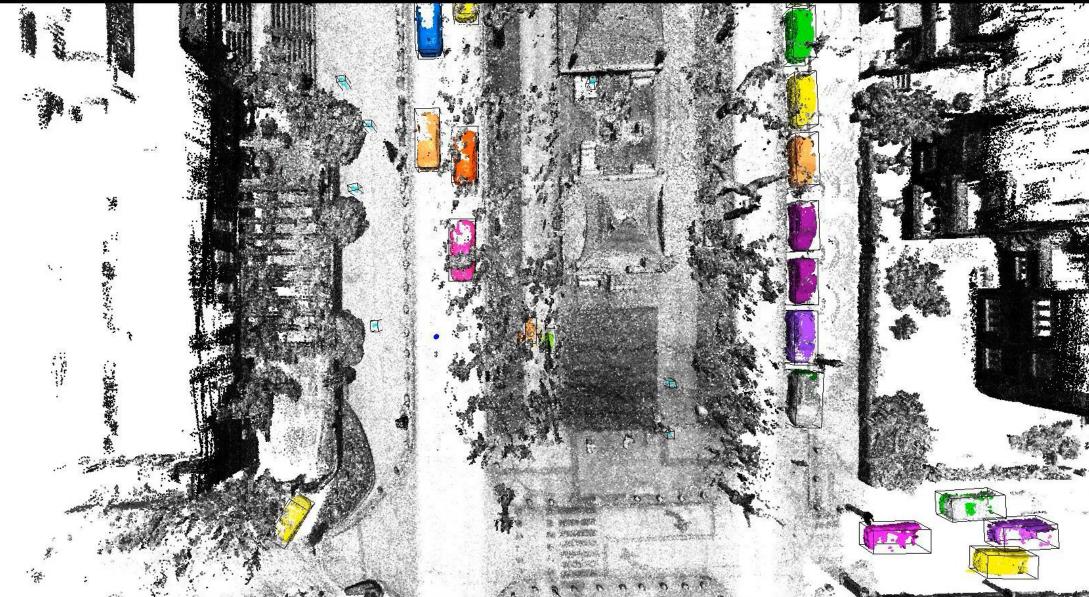




Automatic Ground Truth Final Product

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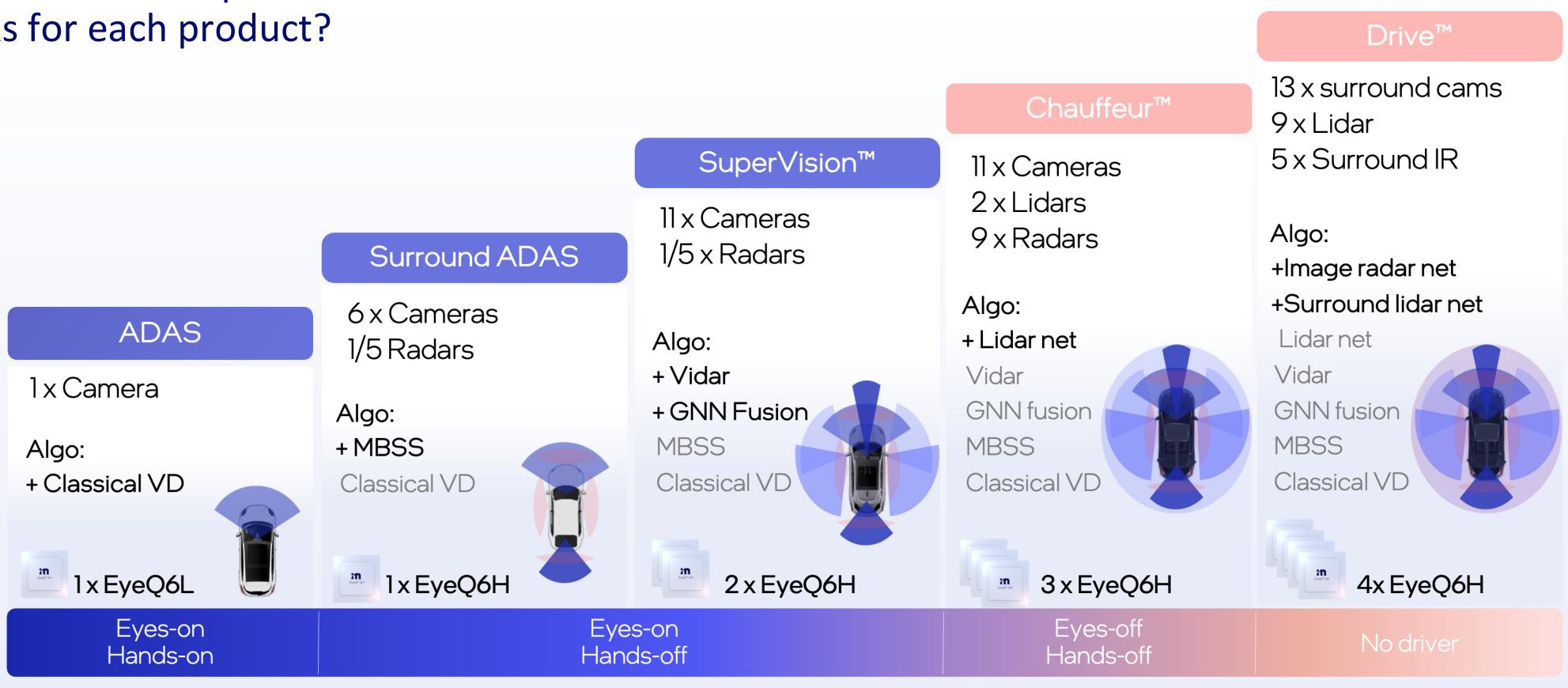
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While Leveraging Data Across All Products

Mobileye's technology path: Modularity

Challenge

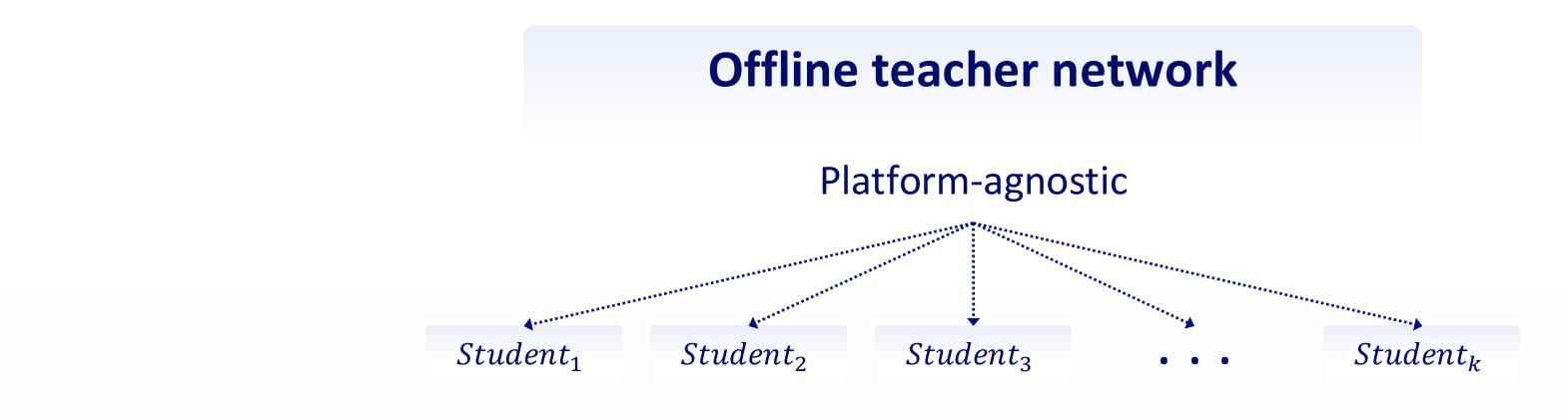
- How to create a unified development framework that eliminates the need for separate stacks for each product?





Designing for a Modular Product Portfolio

While Leveraging Data Across All Products



Teacher → **Student**

- **EyeQNAS** (Neural Architecture Search): Determine architecture optimally per each chip -
- **Distillation**: A training framework for imitating the teacher network by a student network -



Summary

CAIS

AV Alignment

RSS: Separates correct from incorrect

Reaching sufficient MTBF

Abstractions

- Sense / Plan / Act
- Analytic calculations: RSS, time-to-contact...

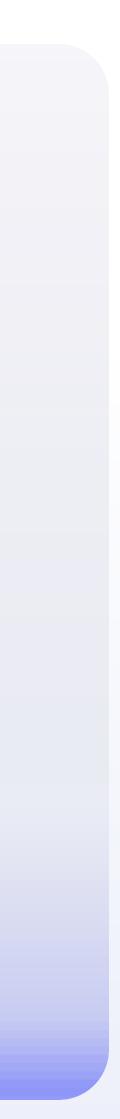
Redundancies





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