Understanding Text on Images with AI at Scale

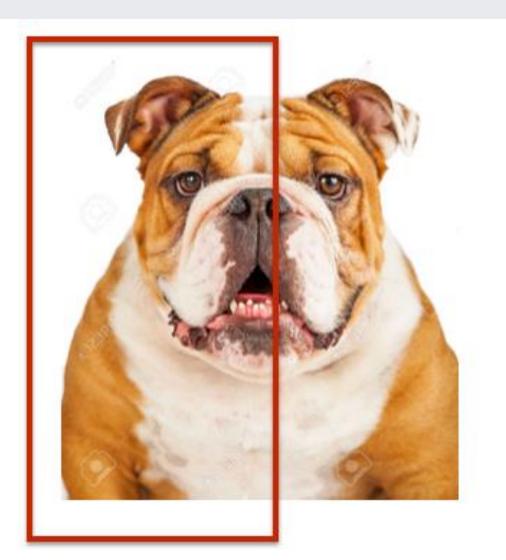
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Challenges

- Sizes, fonts, orientations
- Languages
- Scale
- Efficiency

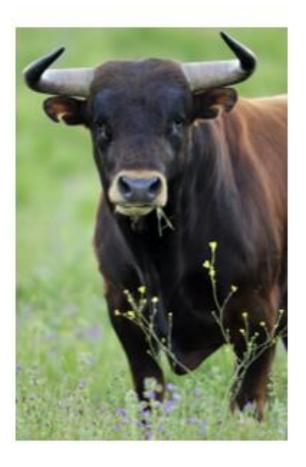




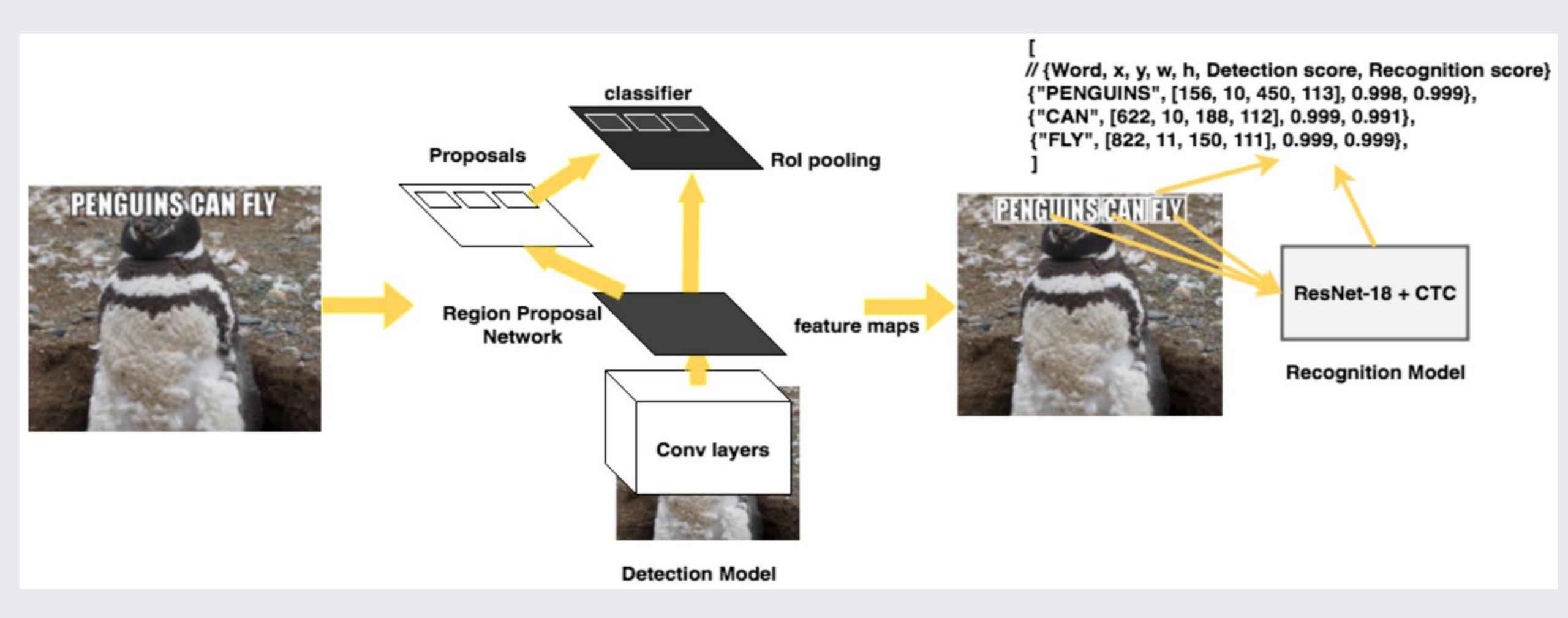
Classes for image



bulldog dog petshop pet english puppy petfood bull dogfood creche microchip haldol doggie peludo kennel

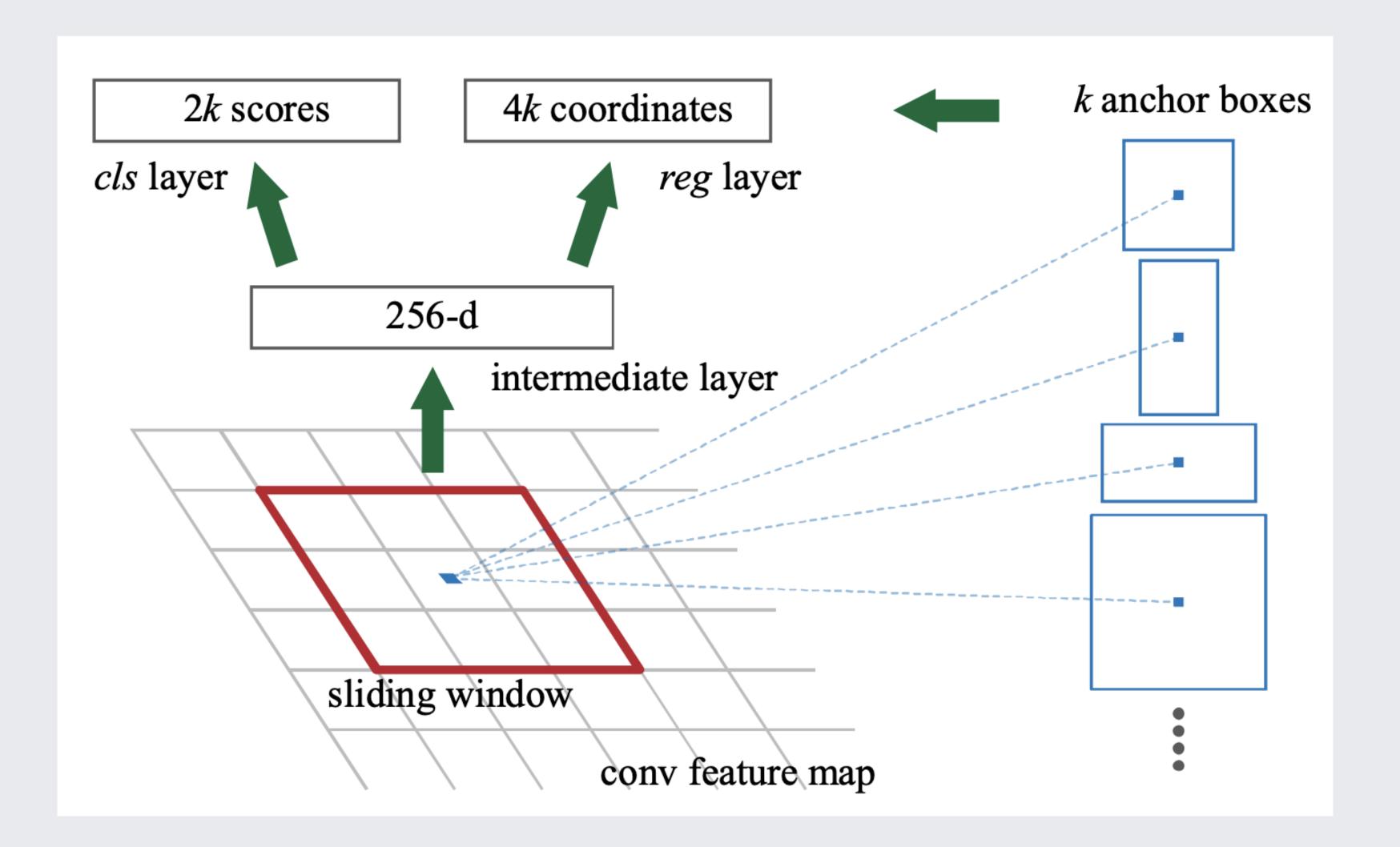


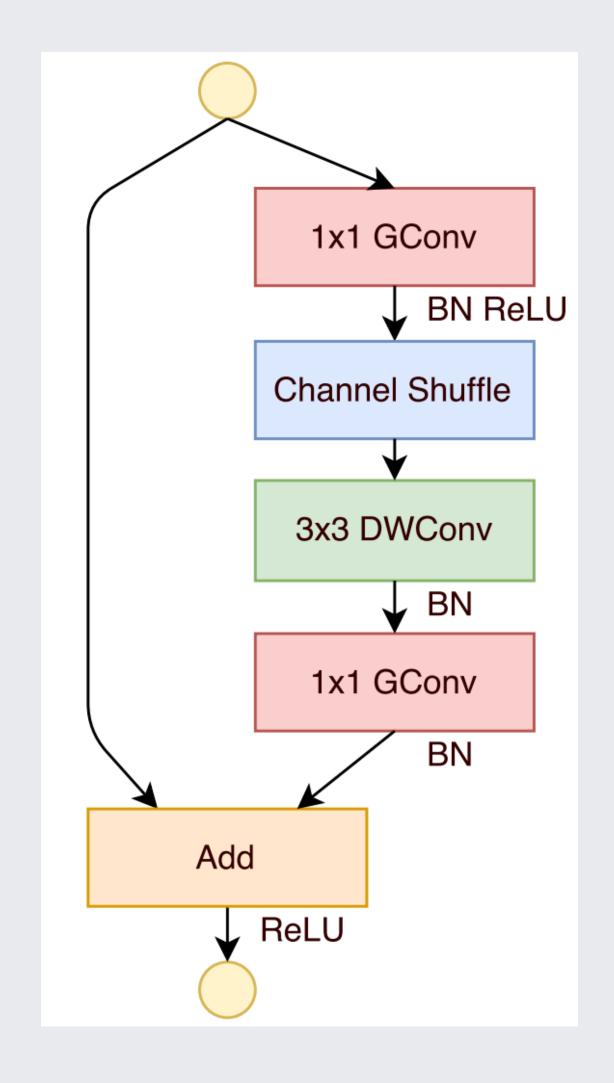
Architecture



Large scale system for text detection and recognition in images, KDD 2018, Viswanath Sivakumar, Albert Gordo, Fedor Borisyuk

Text Detection

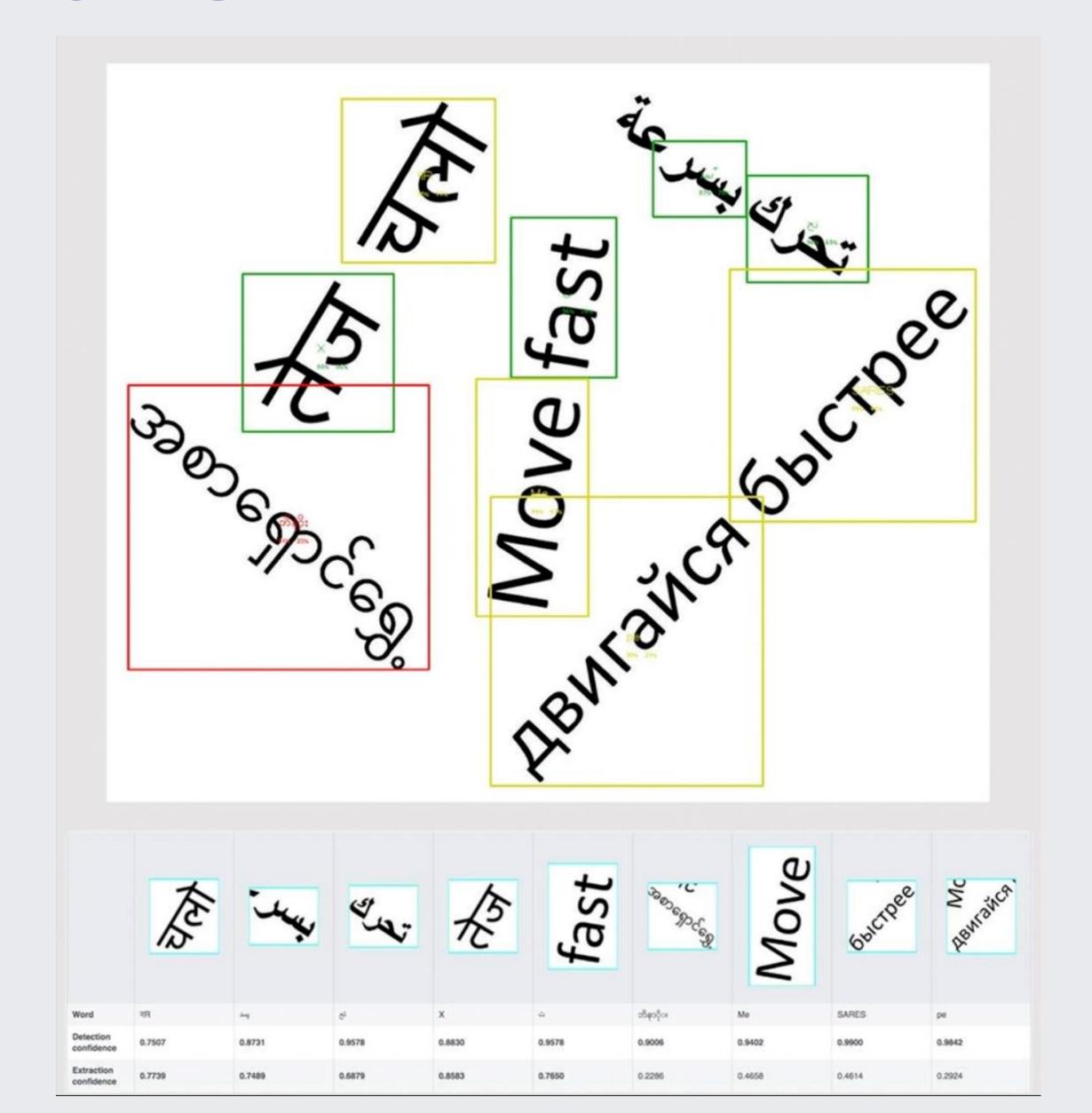




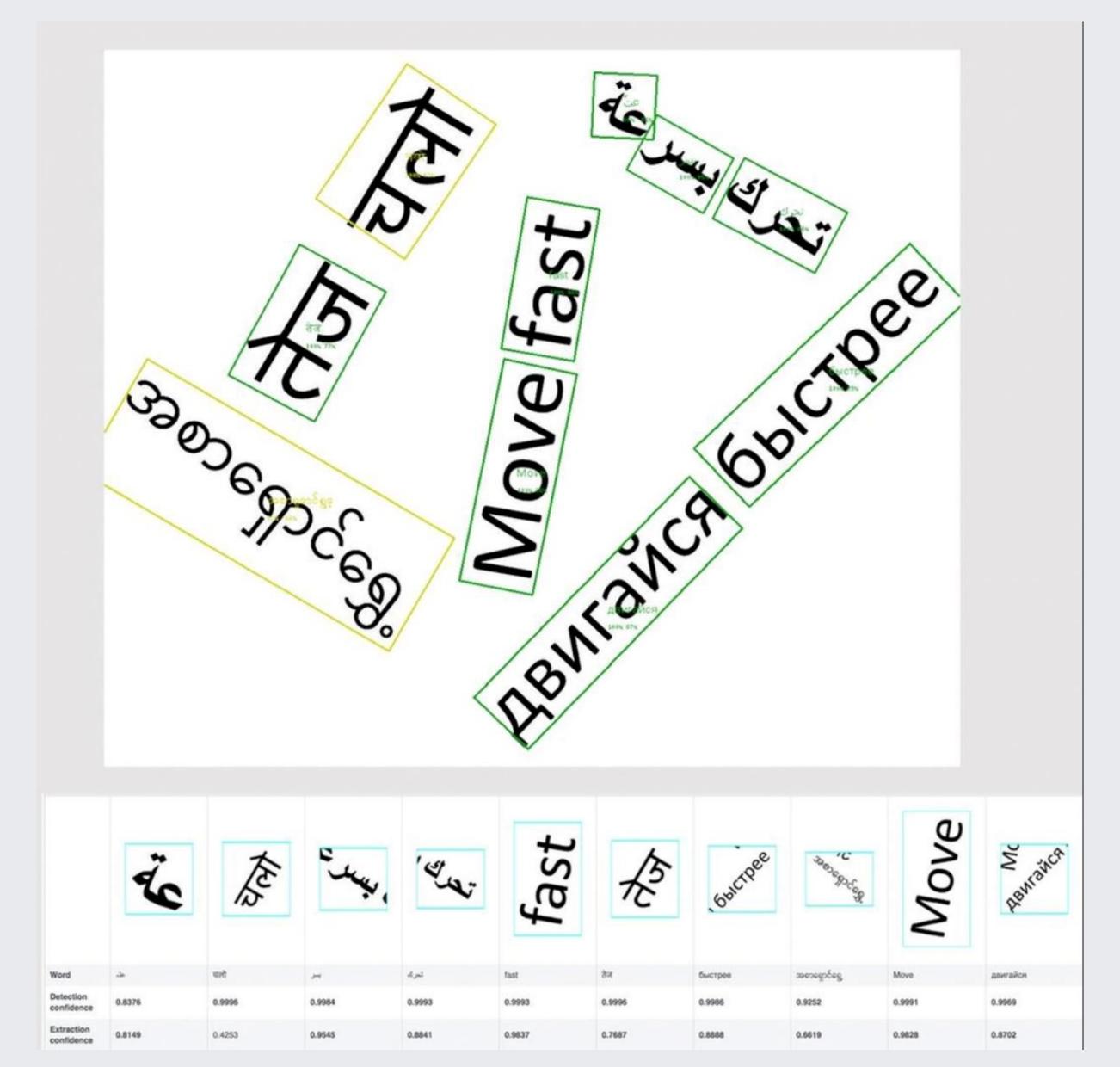
Faster R-CNN: Towards Real-Time Object Detection with Region Proposal Networks, Ren et al.

ShuffleNet: An Extremely Efficient Convolutional Neural Network for Mobile Devices, Zhang et al.

Orientations



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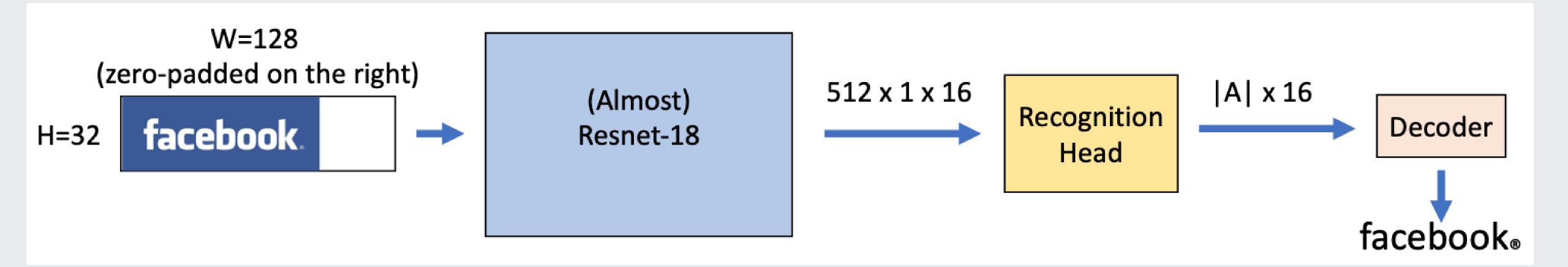


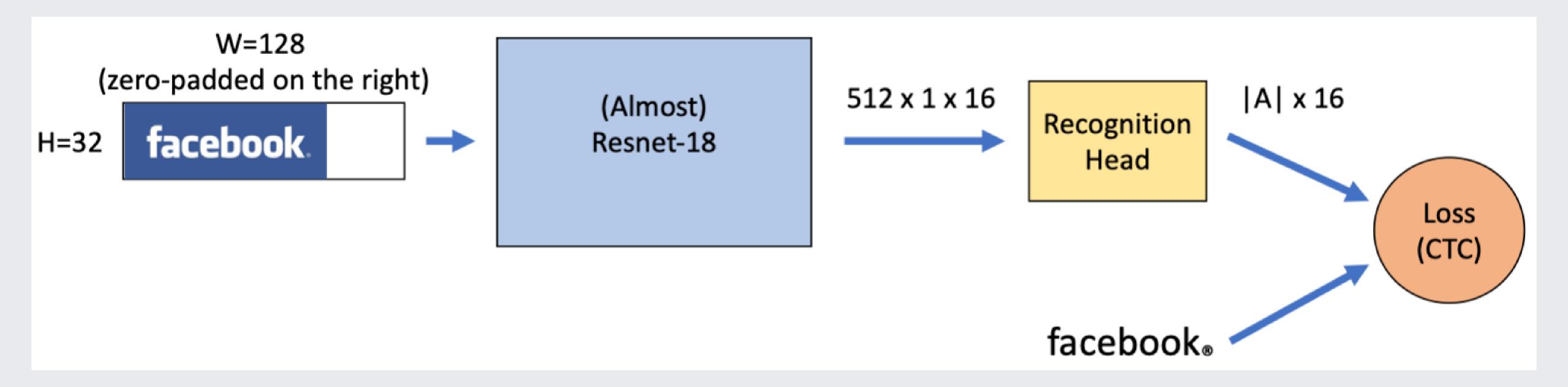
Improving Rotated Text Detection with Rotation Region Proposal Networks,

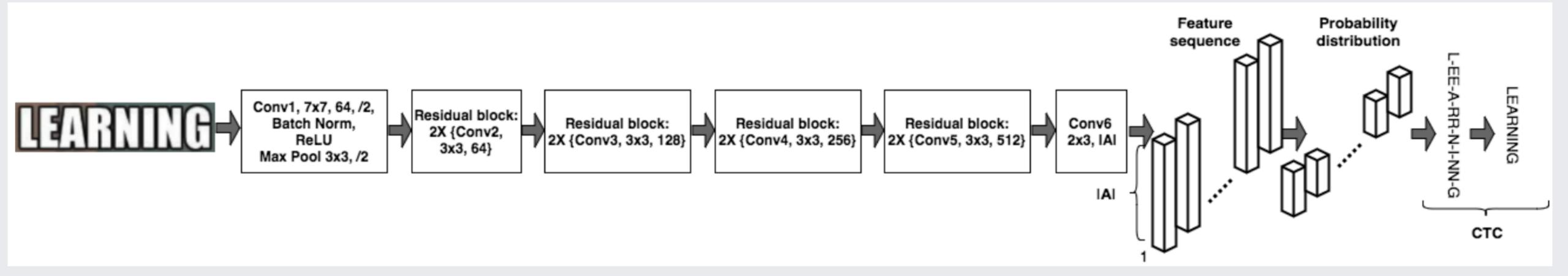
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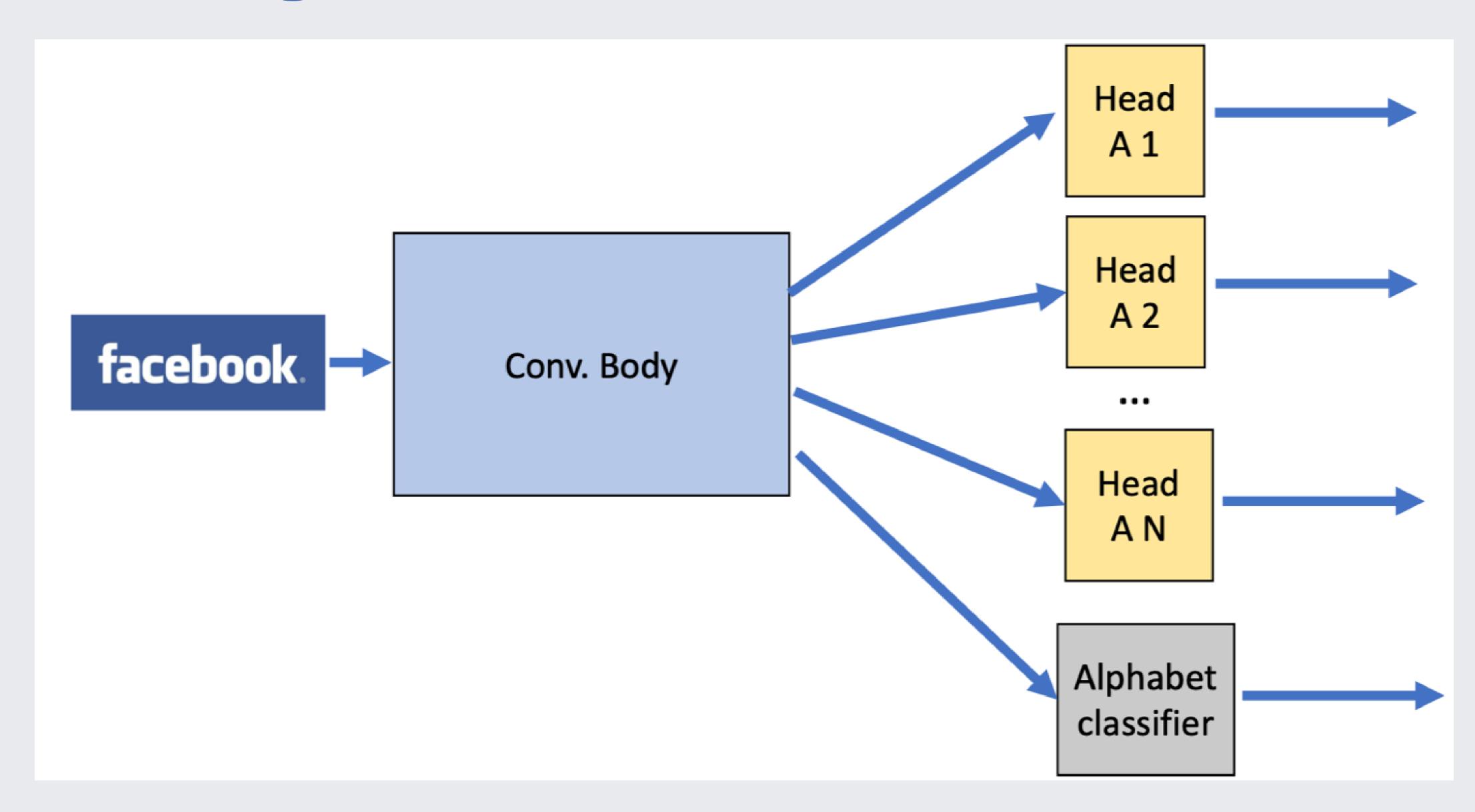




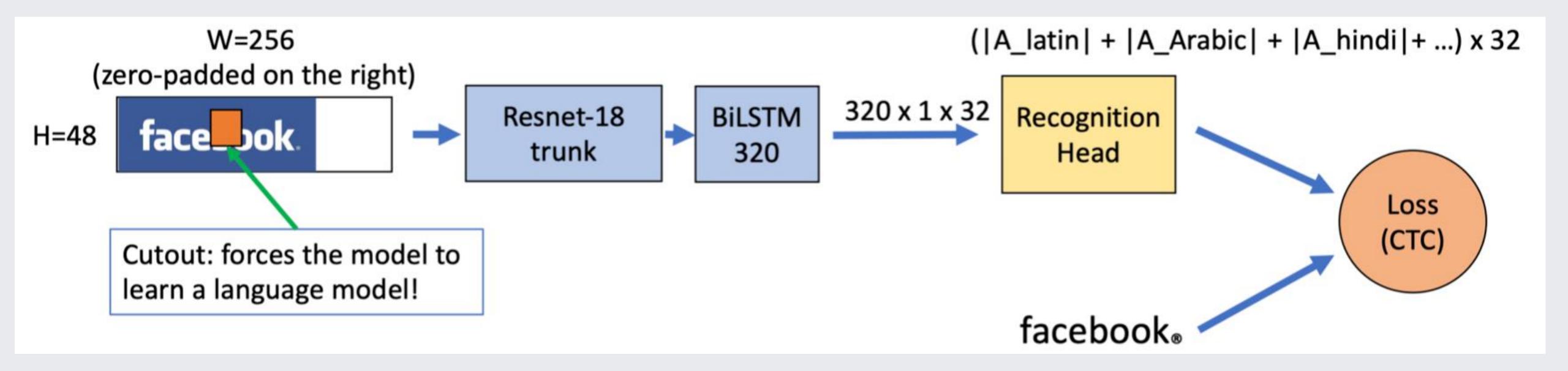




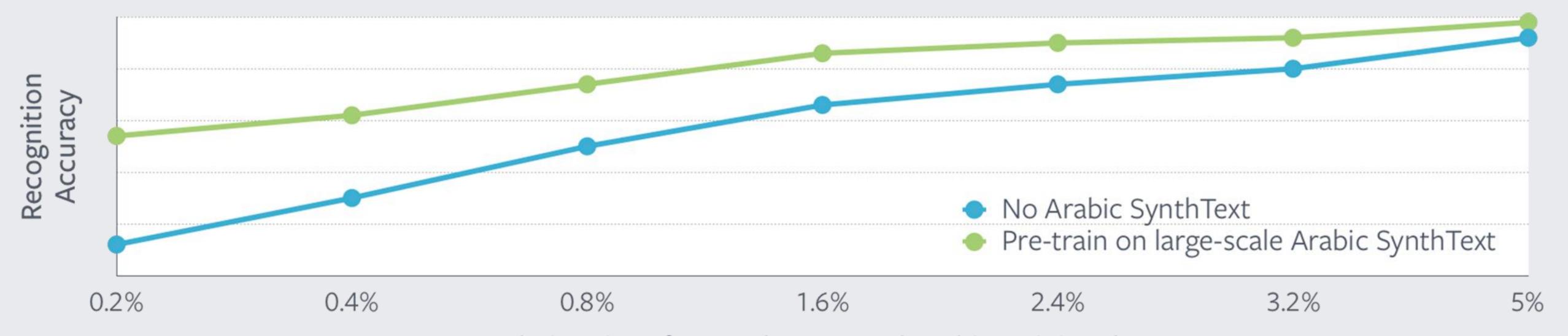
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Synthetic Data



Relative size of manual annotated Arabic training data

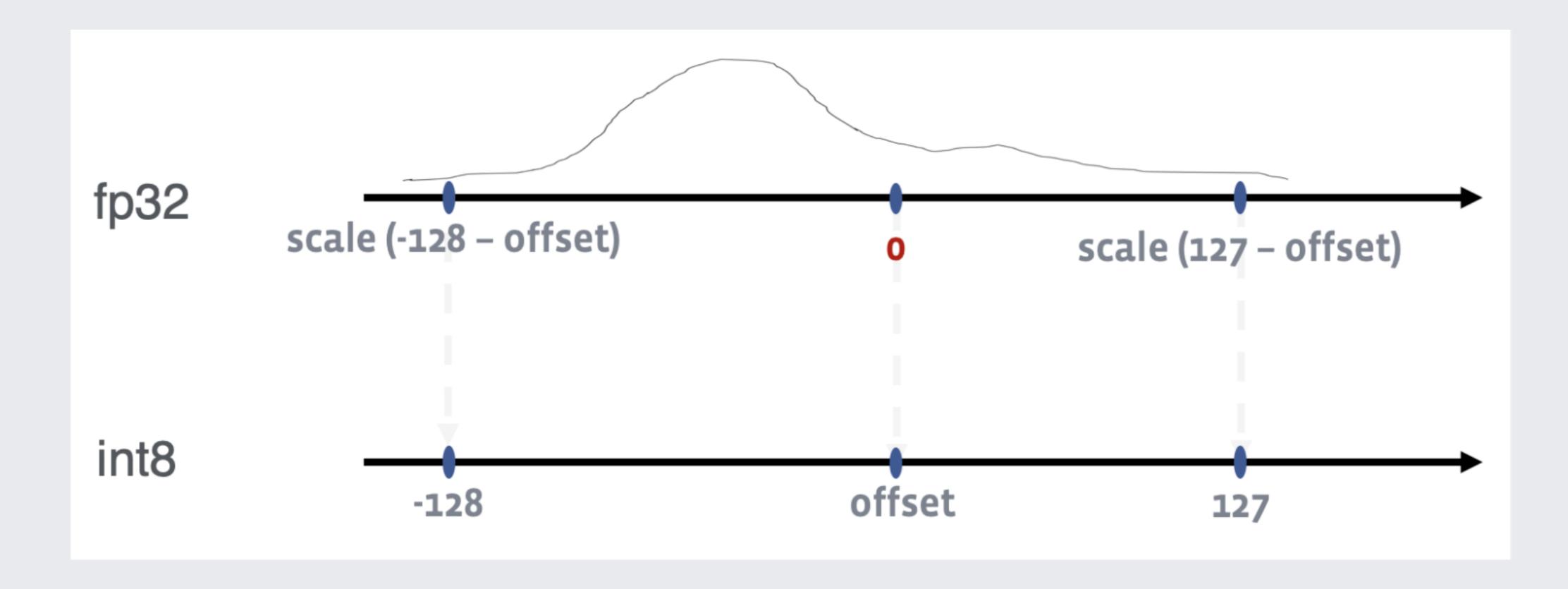
Inference

1B images/day x 5 sec/image = Lots of servers!

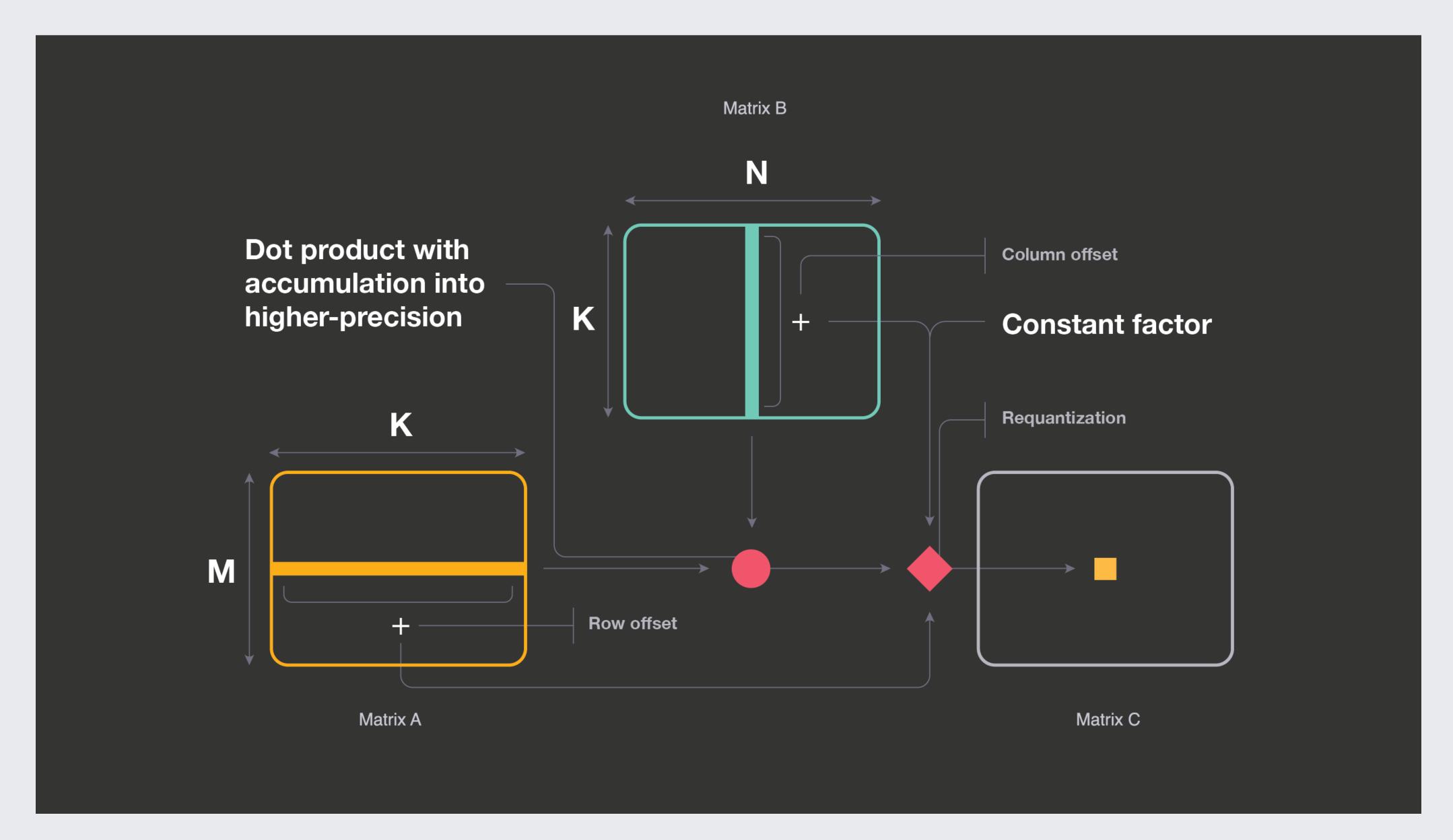
Int8 Quantization

x = schip(xound(xbffsde)) + offset, -128,127)Quantization:

De-quantization:



Int8 Quantization



But what about accuracy?

- No quantization error for 0
- Fuse Convolution and ReLU
- L2 Error Minimization vs Min-Max
- Don't quantize the first layer

Initial accuracy gap: 5%

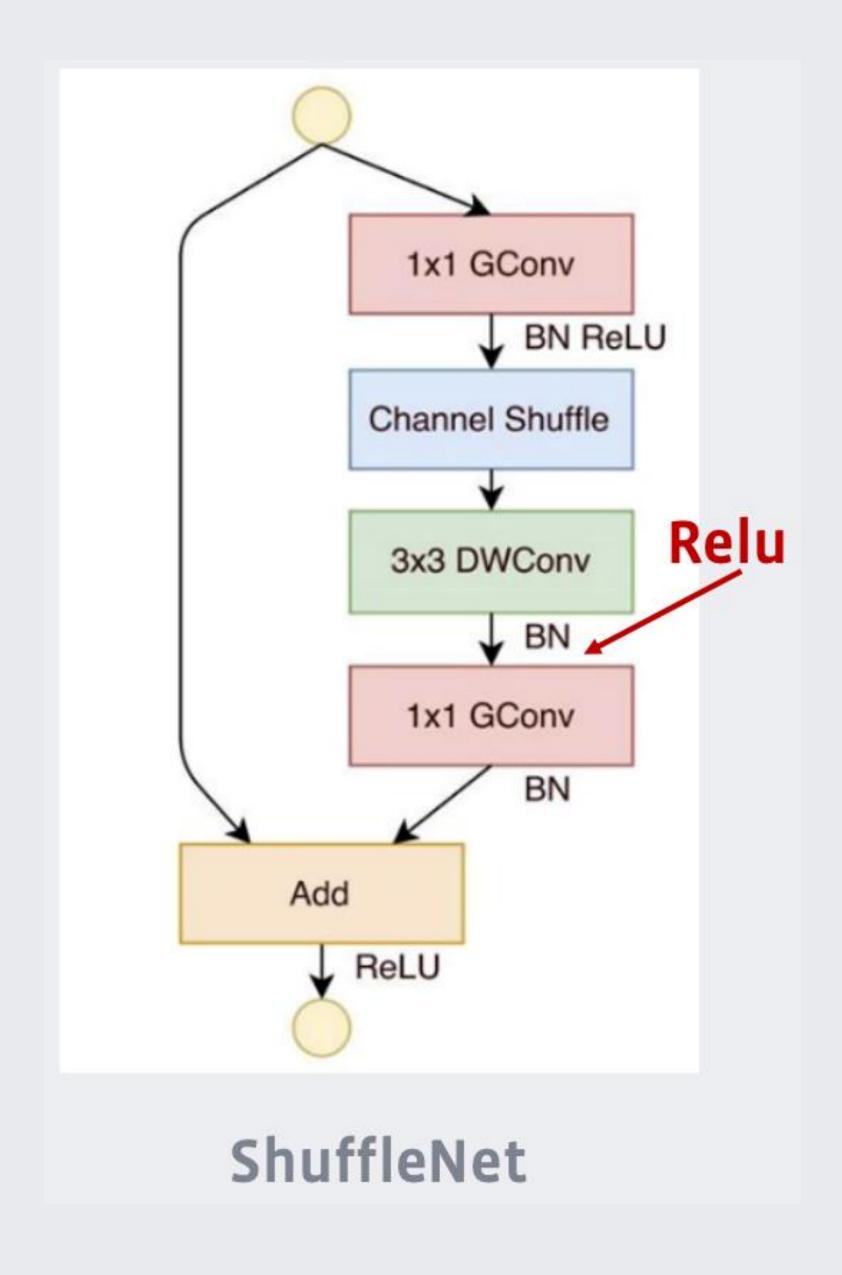
After: 0.2%

Model Co-Design

Outlier-aware quantization

- Int8 Quantization with 16-bit accumulation
- Further CPU speedup

Co-design your model and efficiency optimizations together!



Int8 Quantization



2.4x images/server

2x faster

github.com/pytorch/FBGEMM



0 to 1B+ images/day in a few months

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