

Processing and Training Deep Neural Networks on Chip

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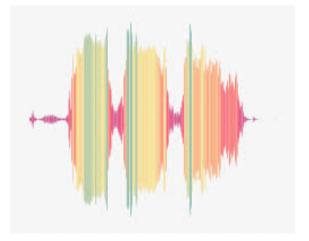


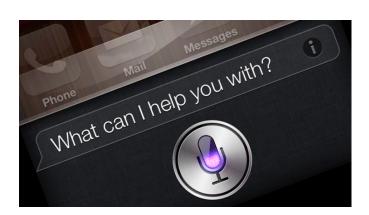


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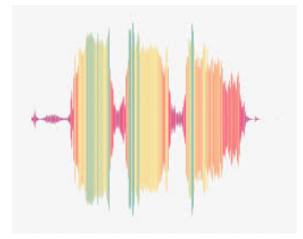
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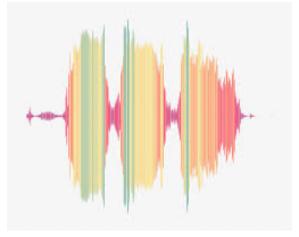
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Technical Challenges

- Real time applications.
- Running deep learning on limited resources embedded systems.



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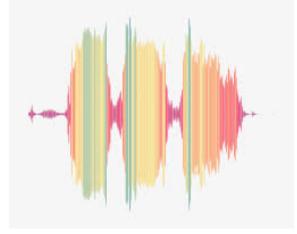
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Scientific Challenges

- Large architectures harden visualization and interpretation.
- Simulation time limits the progress of the field.



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Societal Challenges

- Large energy consumption.
- Accessibility of deep learning to everyone.





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Outline

1. Deep Learning

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- •1.3 Importance of the Architecture

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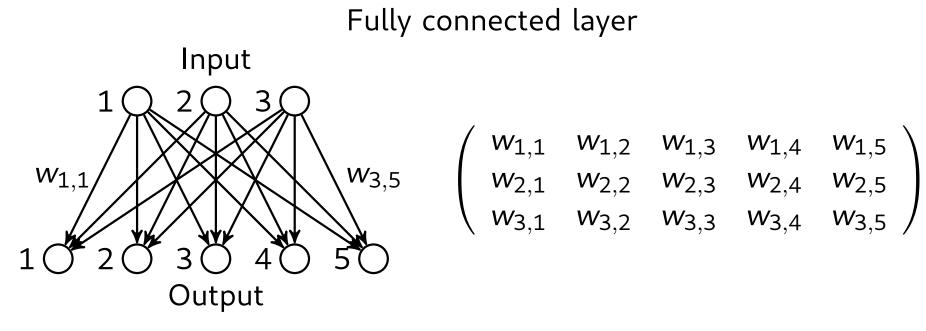
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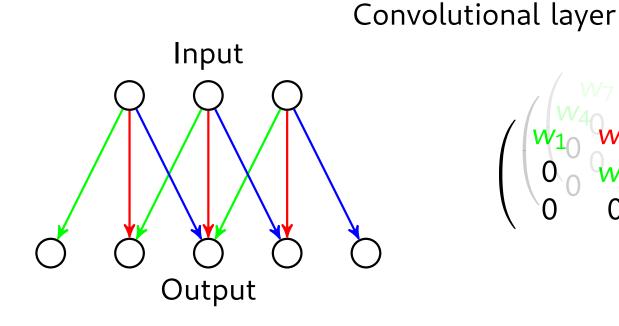


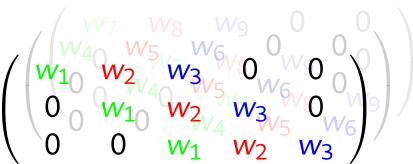
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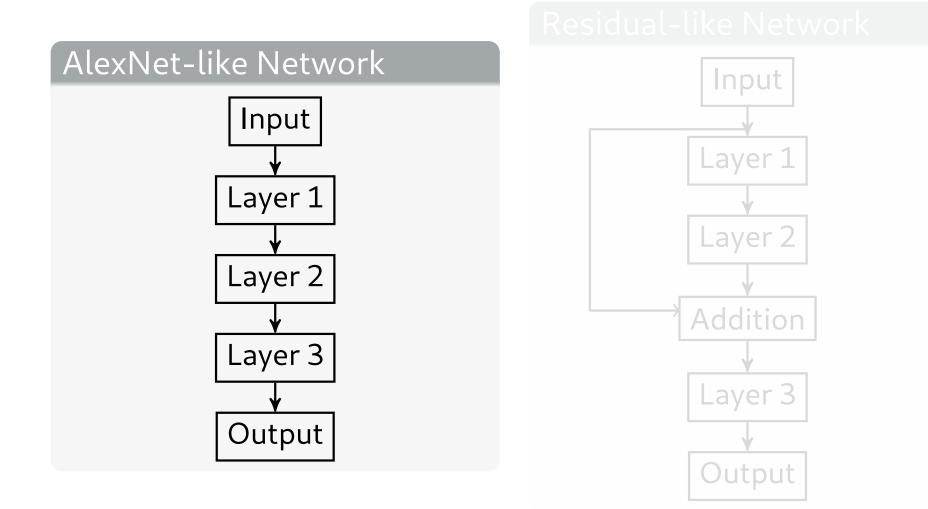


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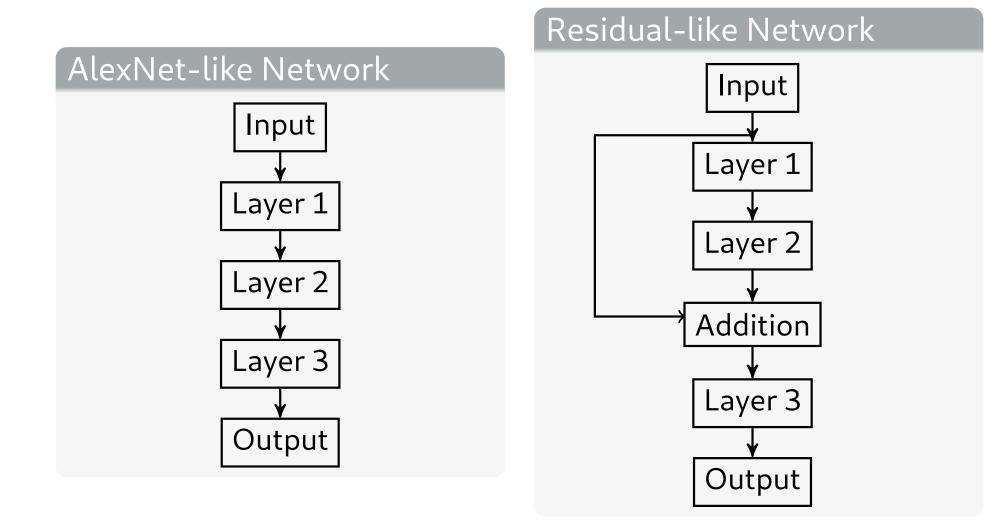






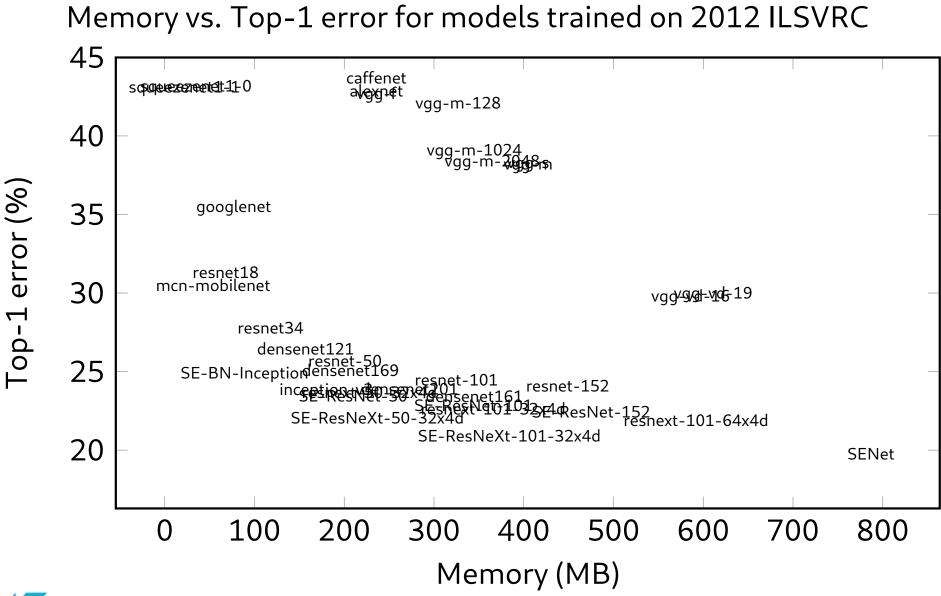








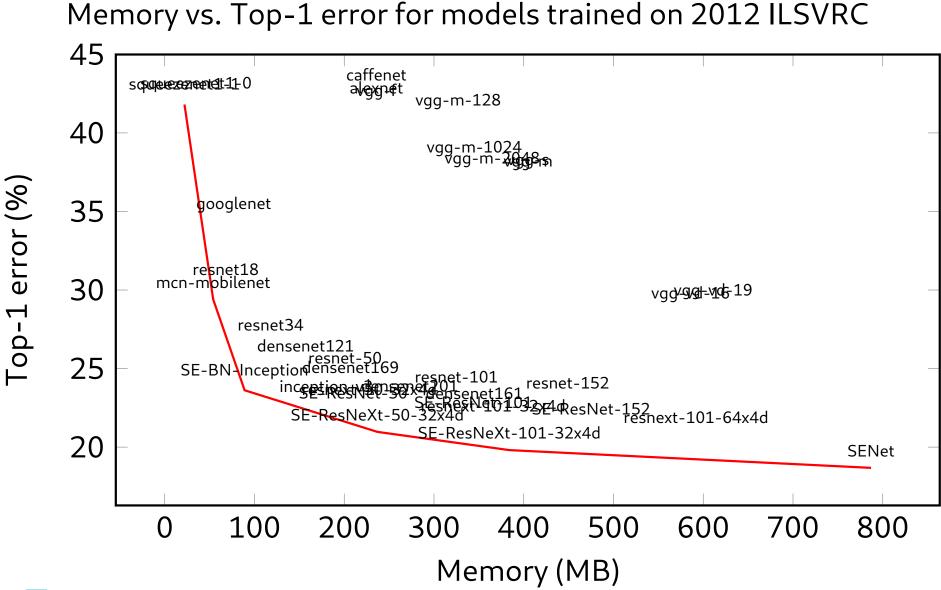
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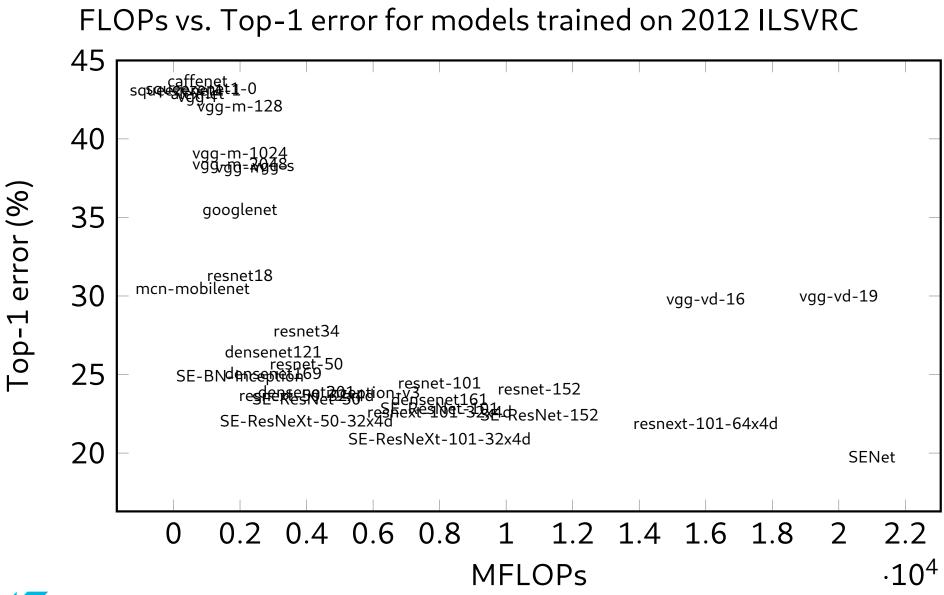
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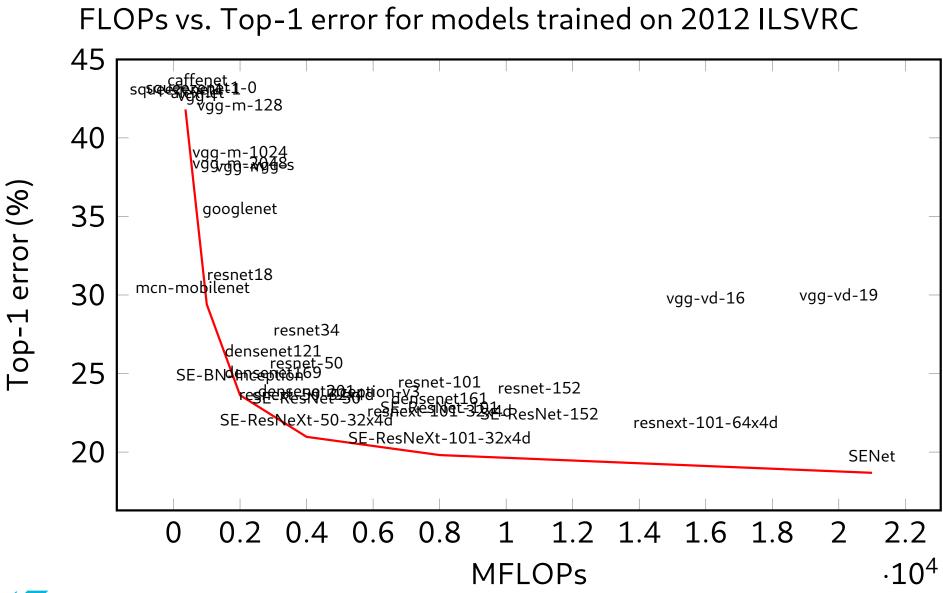
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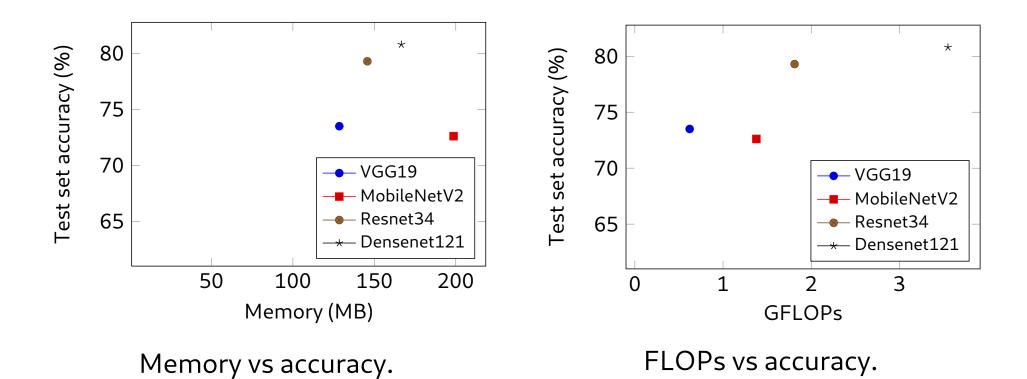


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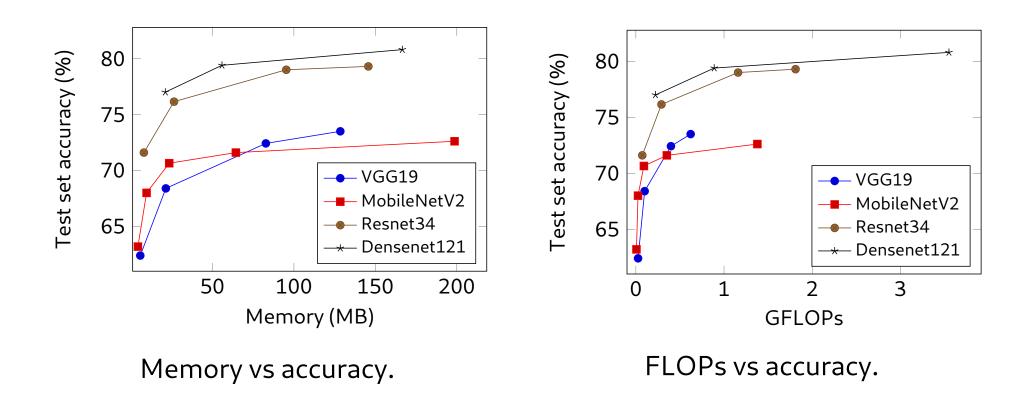


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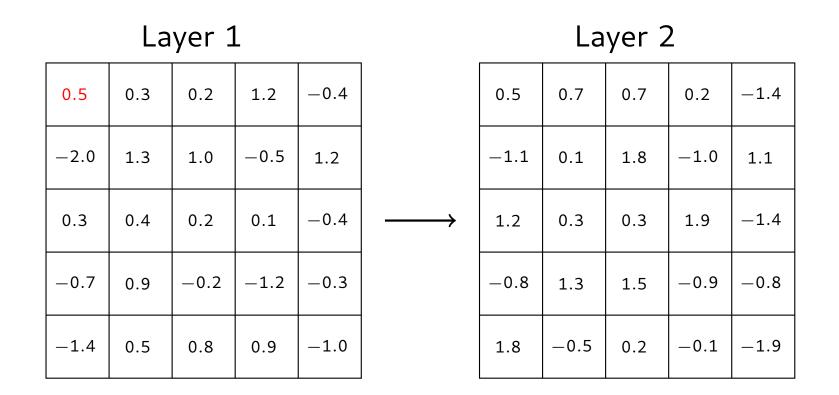
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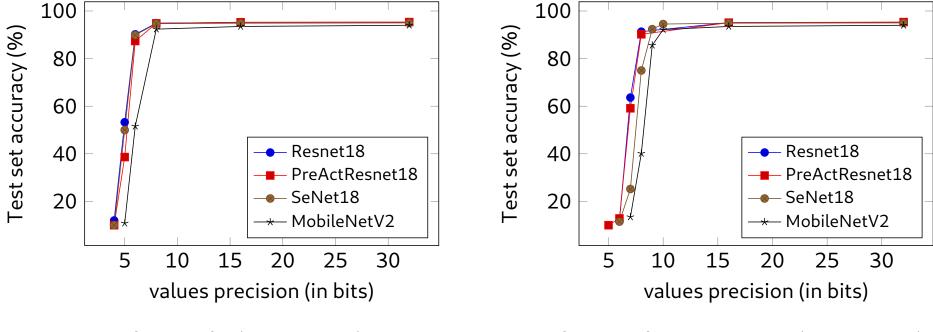


Quantization



How Many Bits Do We Need?





Weights only (CIFAR10).

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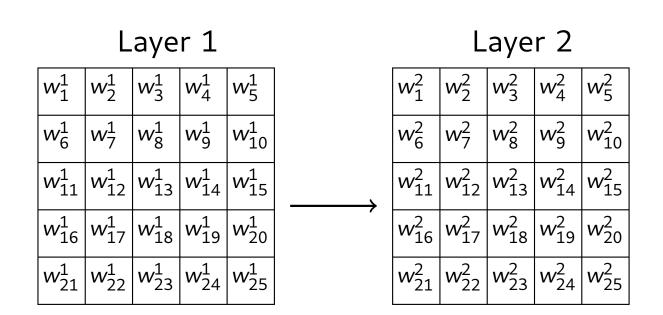


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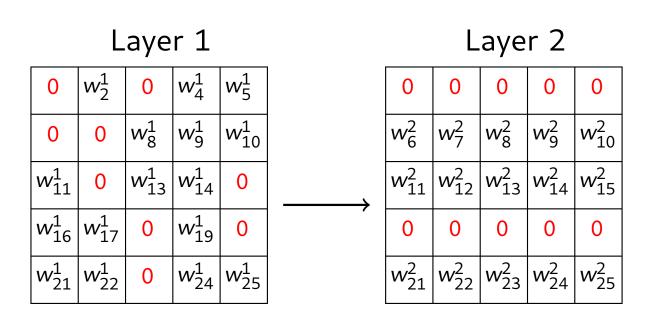
| | Resnet34 | Densenet121 | MobilenetV2 |
|----------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| Full-precision | 95.0% | 95.0% | 93.8% |
| BC | 93.6% | 94.5% | 93.0% |
| BWN | 94.3% | 94.7% | 93.4% |





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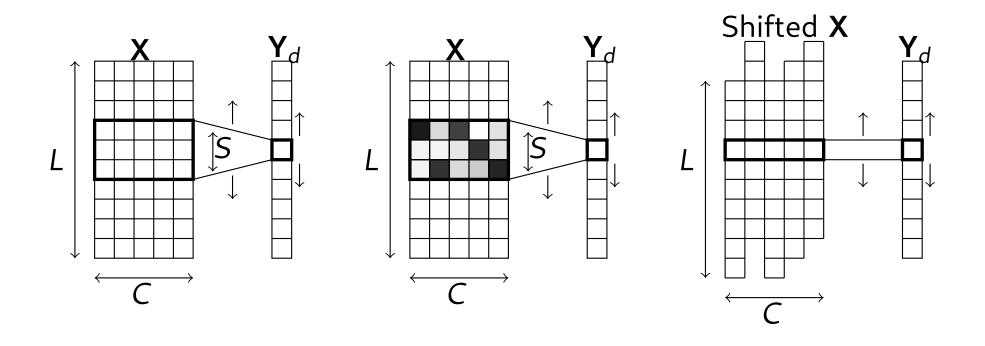
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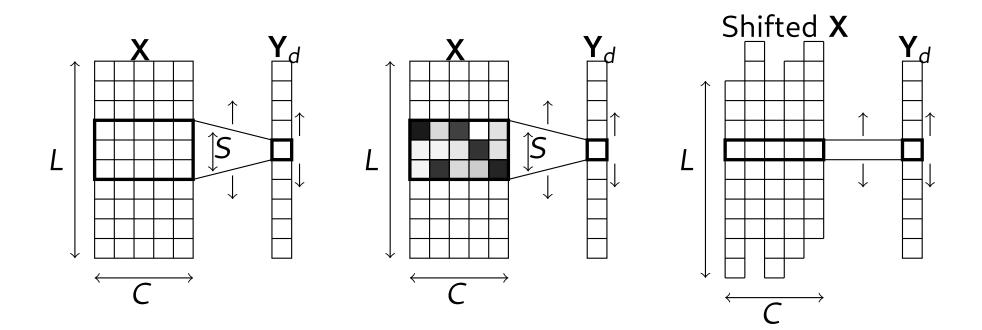
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Shift Attention Layer (SAL)

- Simplified operations,
- Reduced number of parameters,
- Fully exploitable technique.



Comparison of accuracy, number of parameters and number of floating point operations (FLOPs) using ResNet architectures.

| Method | CIFAR10 | | | CIFAR100 | | |
|----------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|
| | Accuracy | NP (M) | MFLOPs | Accuracy | NP (M) | MFLOPs |
| Pruned-B | 93.06% | 0.73 | 91 | 73.6% | 7.83 | 616 |
| NISP | 93.01% | 0.49 | 71 | _ | _ | — |
| PCAS | 93.58% | 0.39 | 56 | 73.84% | 4.02 | 475 |
| SAL | 93.6% | 0.36 | 42 | 77.6% | 3.9 | 251 |



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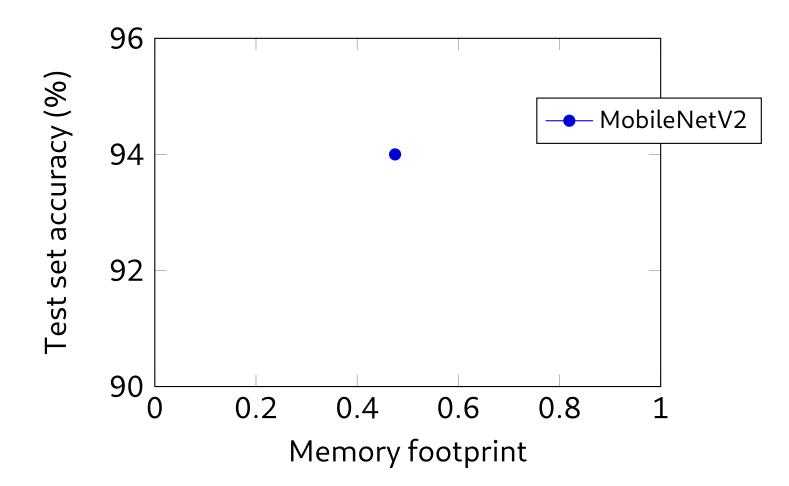
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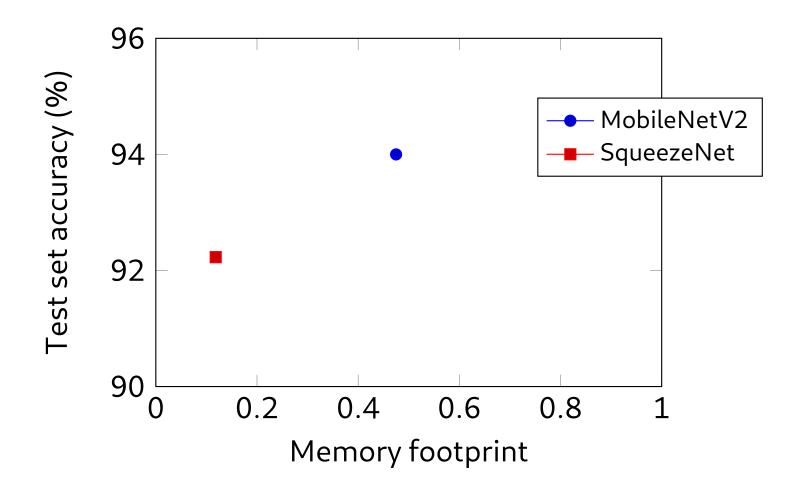
Comparison of accuracy and memory usage between Resnet-20 baseline, SAL, SAL with BC and SAL with BWN on CIFAR10.

| | Accuracy(%) | Memory(Mb) | |
|-----------|-------------|------------|--|
| Baseline | 94.66 | 39.04 | |
| SAL | 95.52 | 31.36 | |
| SAL + BC | 93.20 | 6.87 | |
| SAL + BWN | 94.00 | 6.87 | |



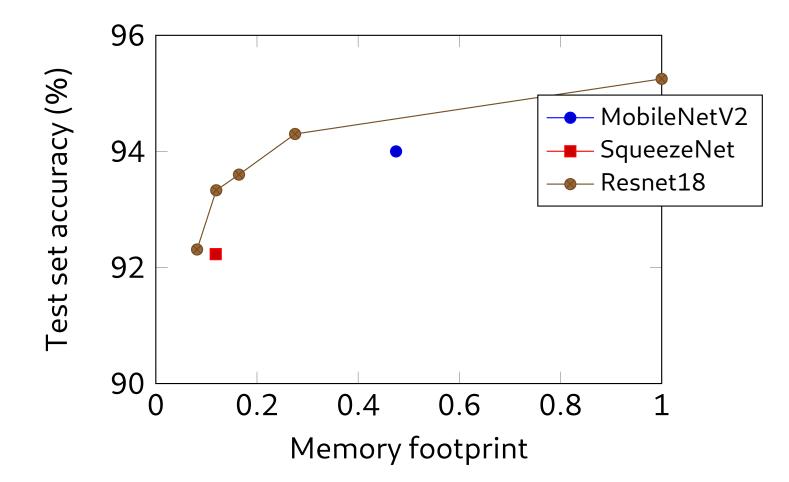






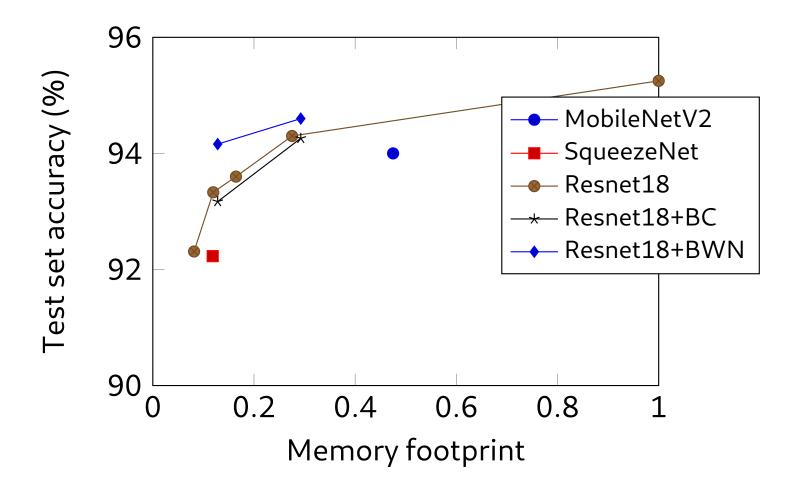


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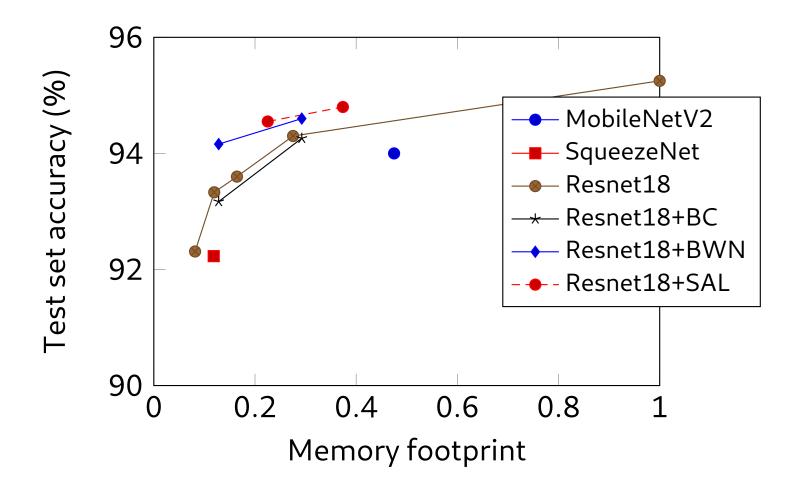


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Directions

- Which combinations of quantization methods are efficient?
- Can training process decide the most efficient number of bits to quantize values?
- Can SAL perform well in other domains than classification?
- Can compression methods be reconsidered to reduce training complexity?

