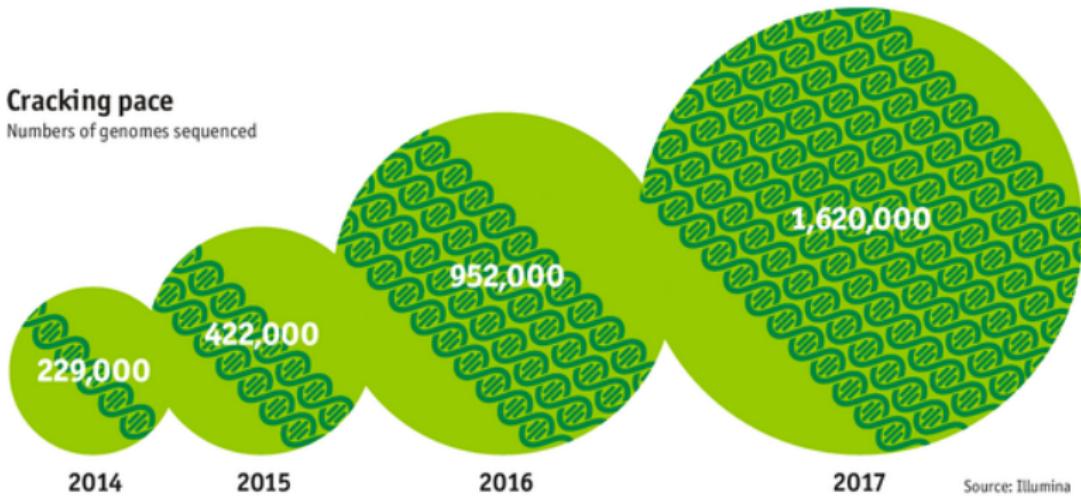


A Deep Learning Algorithm for Population Genetics

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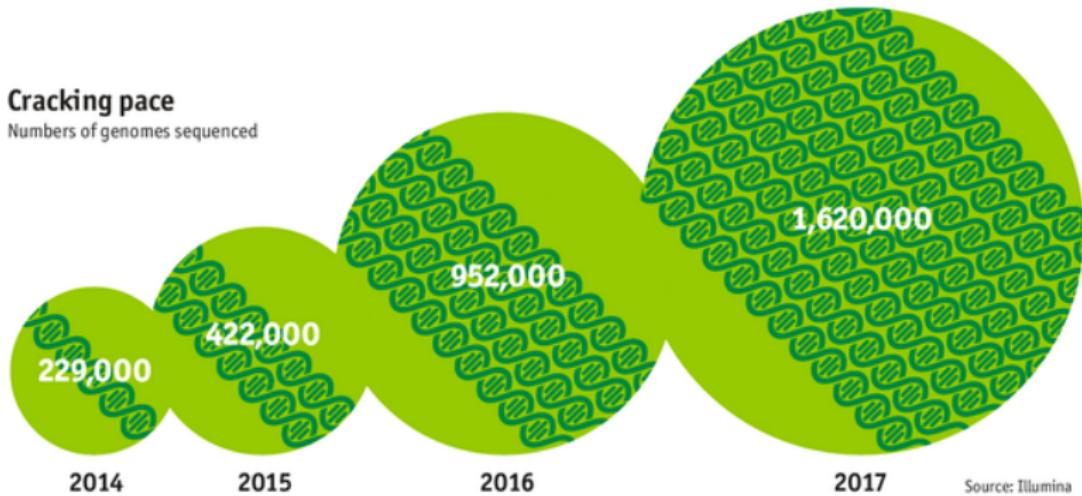
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10,000 species with genetic data



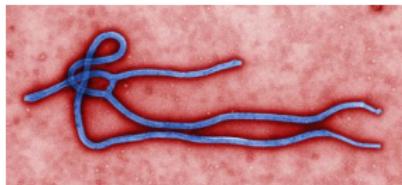
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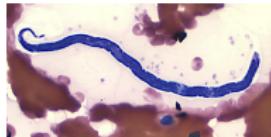
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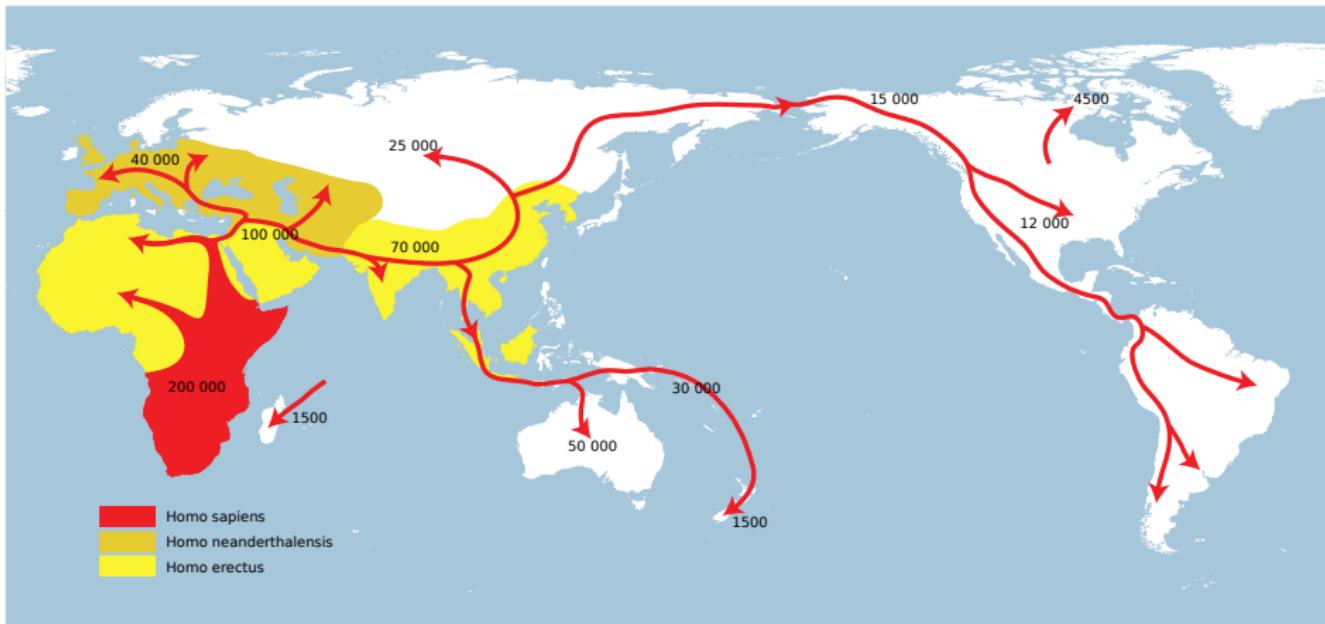
Chinese
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Ebola



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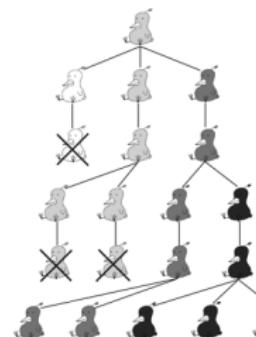
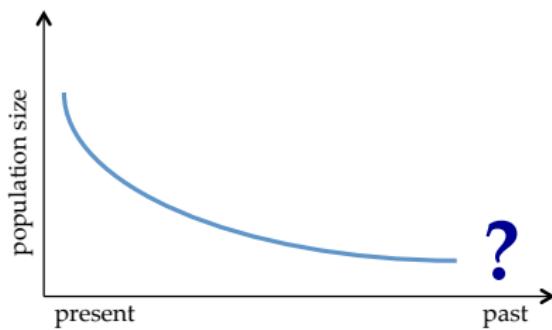
Modern DNA is a window into ancient history



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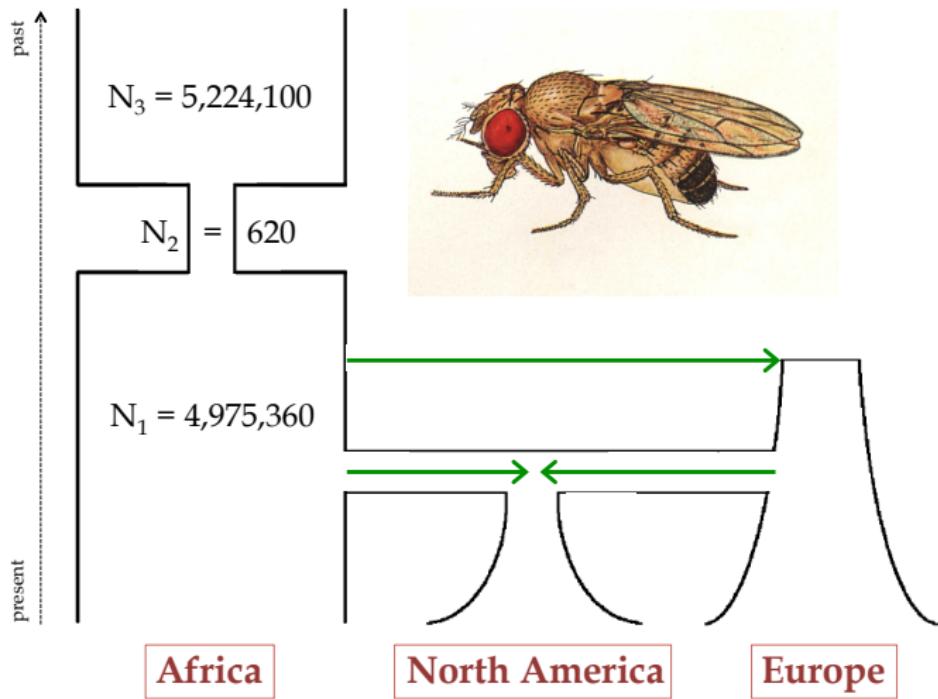
Main question

Population sizes + natural selection



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Motivation: demography and selection in *Drosophila*



"Demographic inference reveals African and European admixture in the North American *Drosophila melanogaster* population."
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Motivation from Population Genetics

Sequence data as a matrix (X)



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Sequence data at a single site

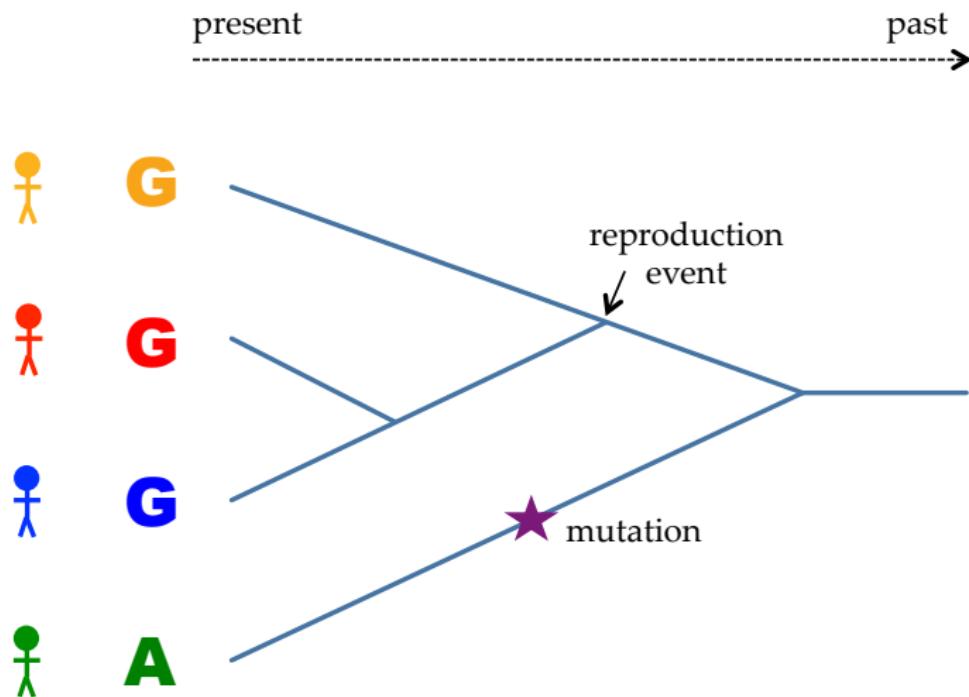
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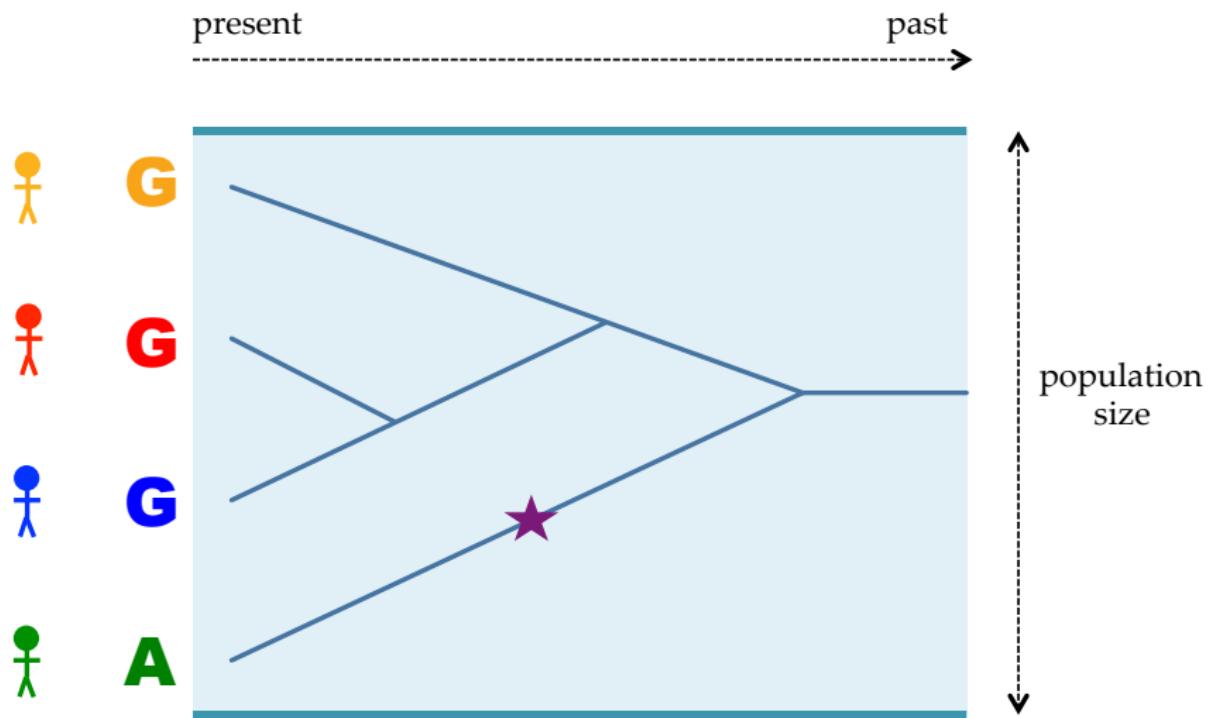
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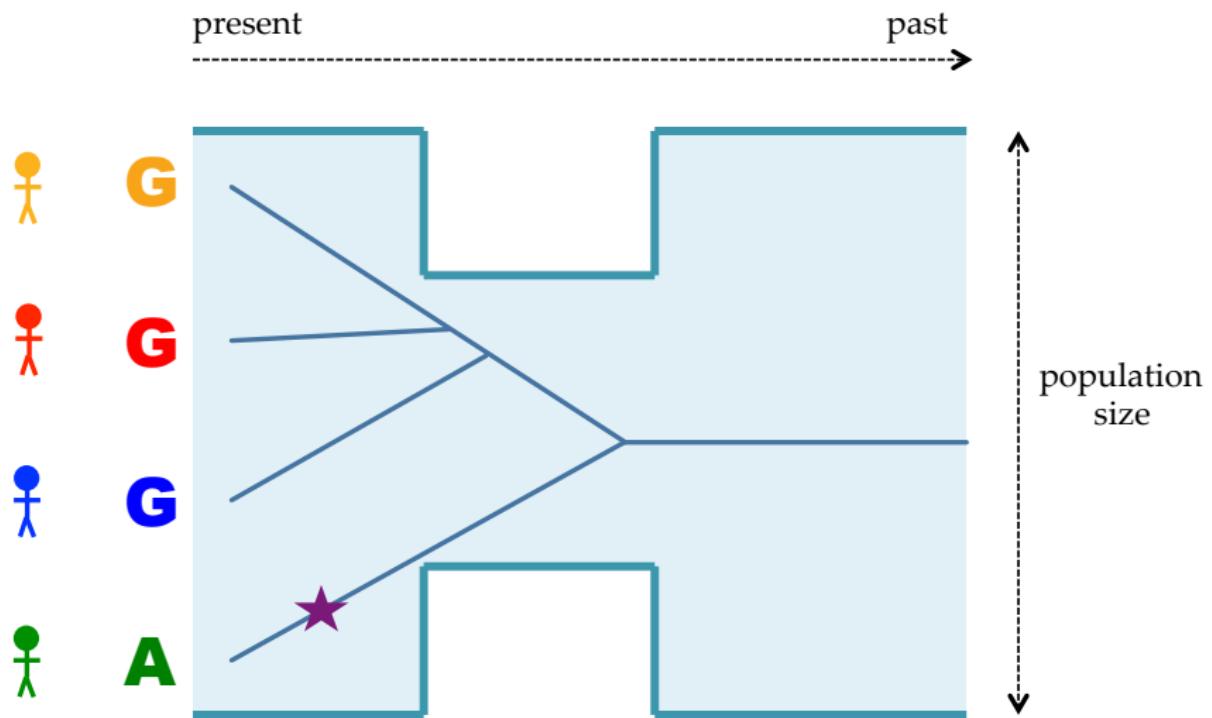
At a single site, everyone is related by a tree



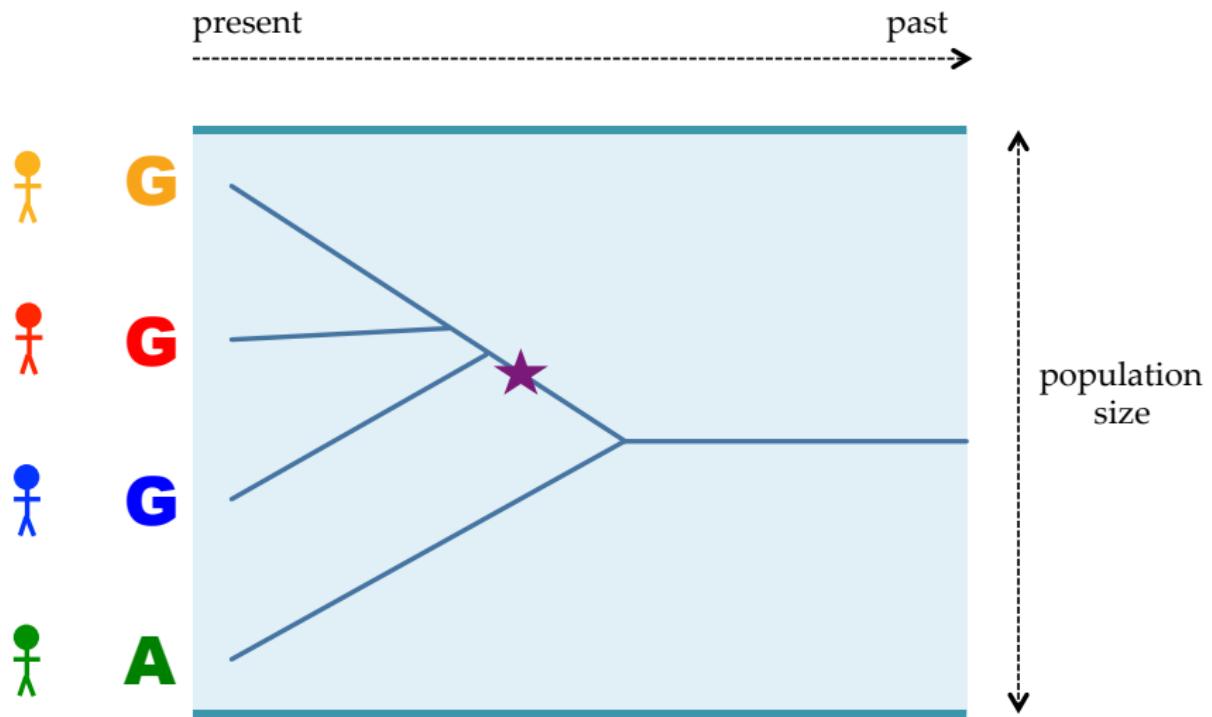
We call this tree the “genealogy”



Population bottleneck?



Or selection?



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Main idea: try different combinations of ingredients until you get something close



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- ▶ hard to interpret
- ▶ “curse of dimensionality”
- ▶ distance metric on statistics

Deep Learning Overview

Another answer: machine learning

 X_1  X_2  X_3 X_4 X_5

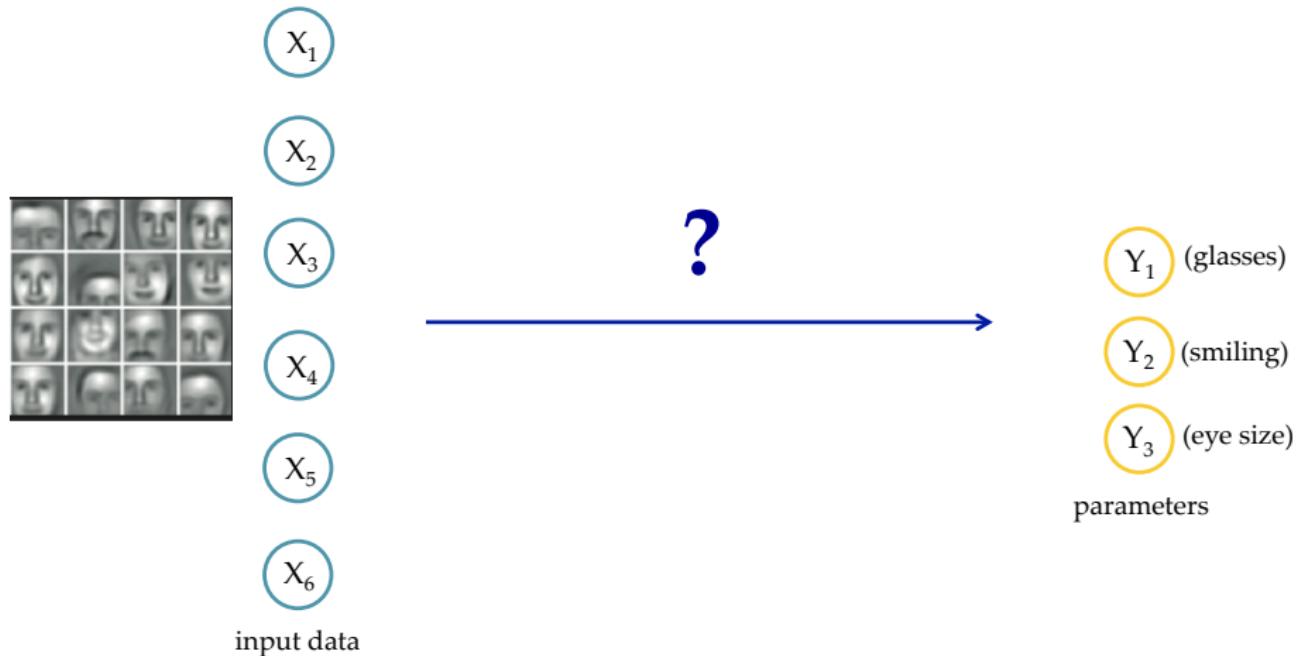
input data

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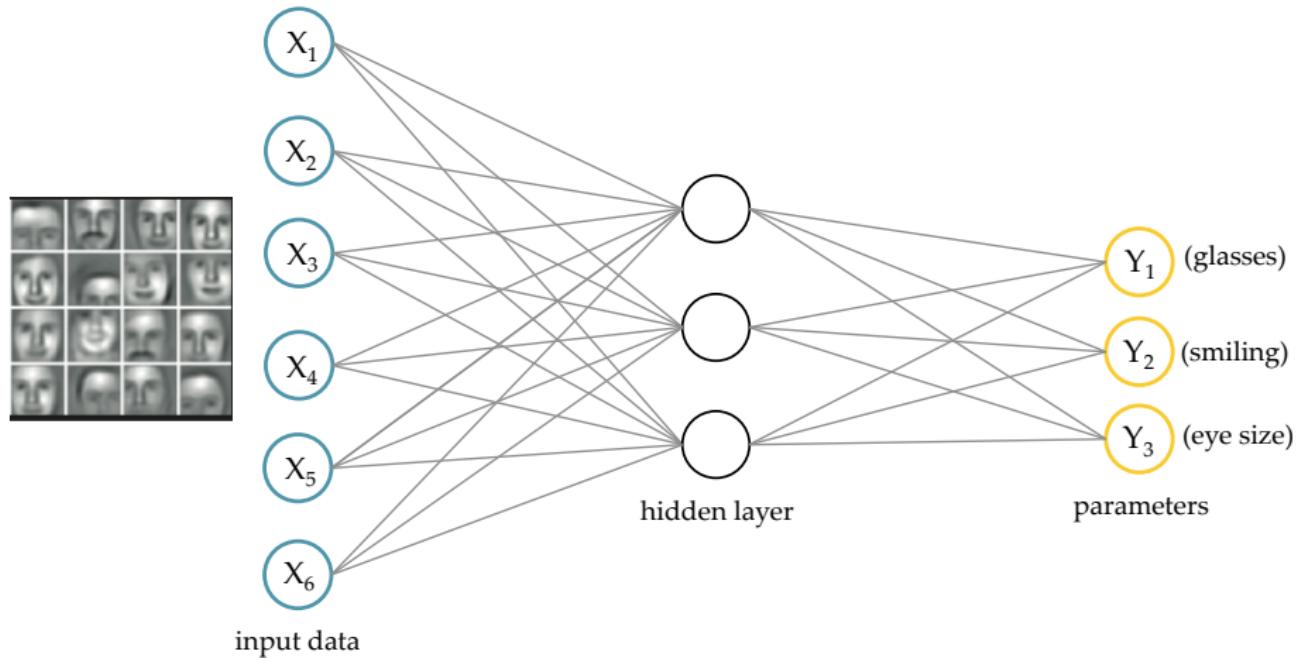


parameters

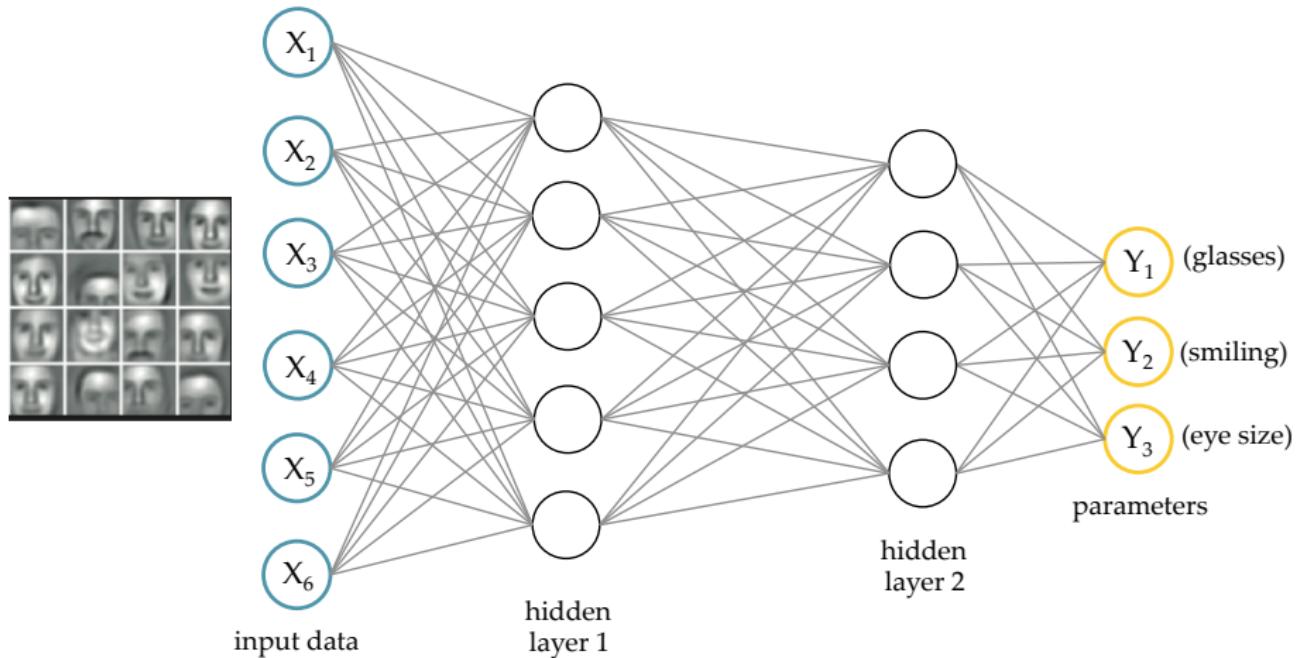
Deep learning for images



Classical neural network

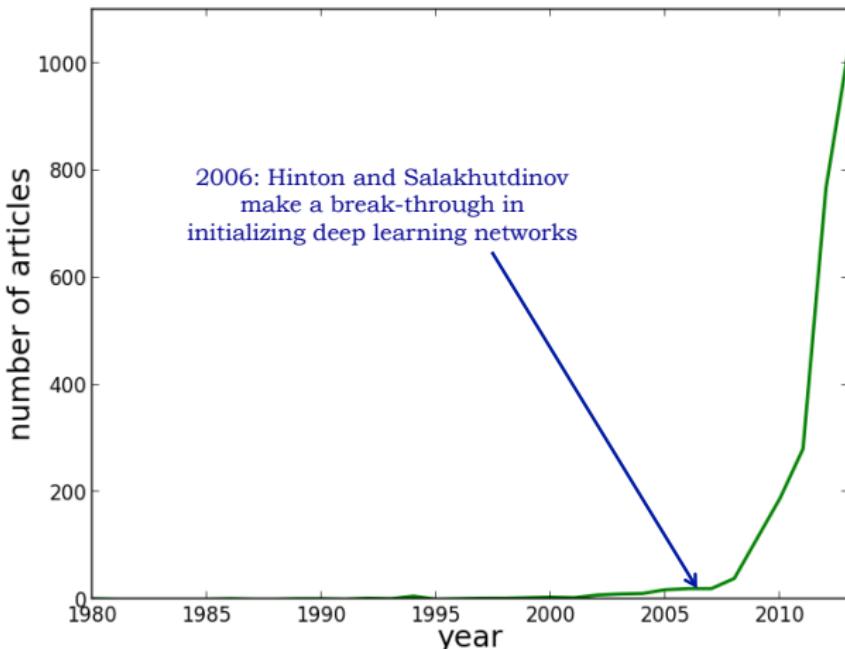


Deep network



Rise of deep learning

Number of papers that mention deep learning per year



Break-through: unsupervised learning, autoencoder

Goal: initialize the deep learning weights



x_1

x_2

x_3

x_4

x_5

x_6

input

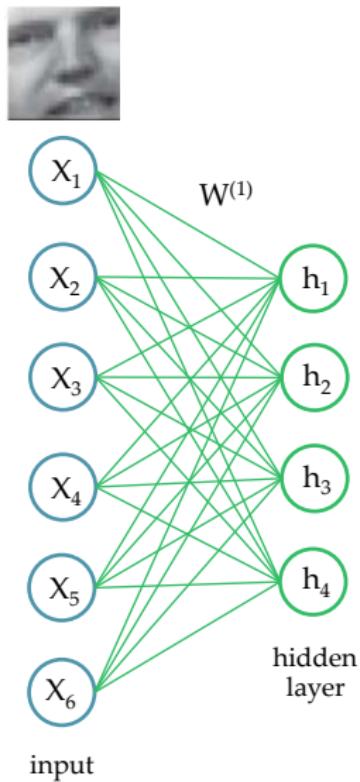
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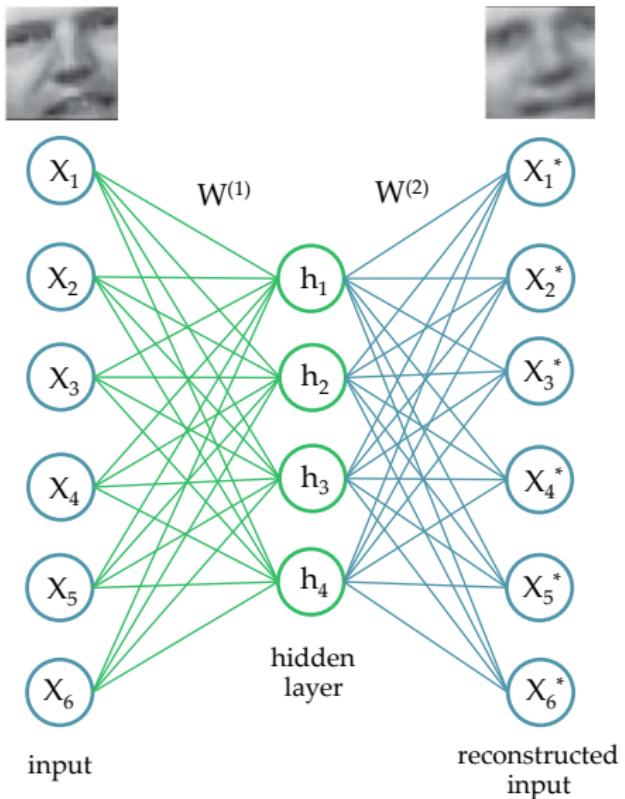
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$$J_x(W) = \frac{1}{2} \|x - x^*\|^2$$



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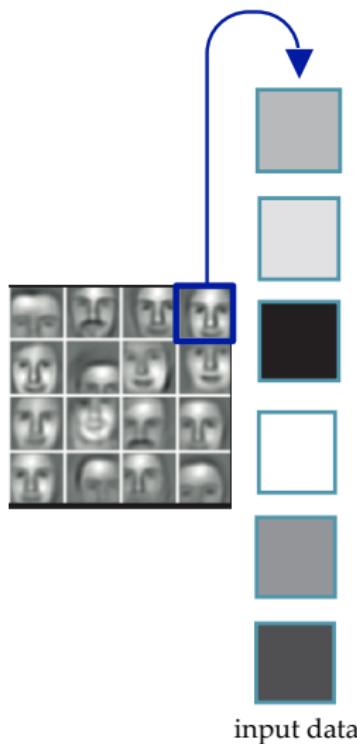
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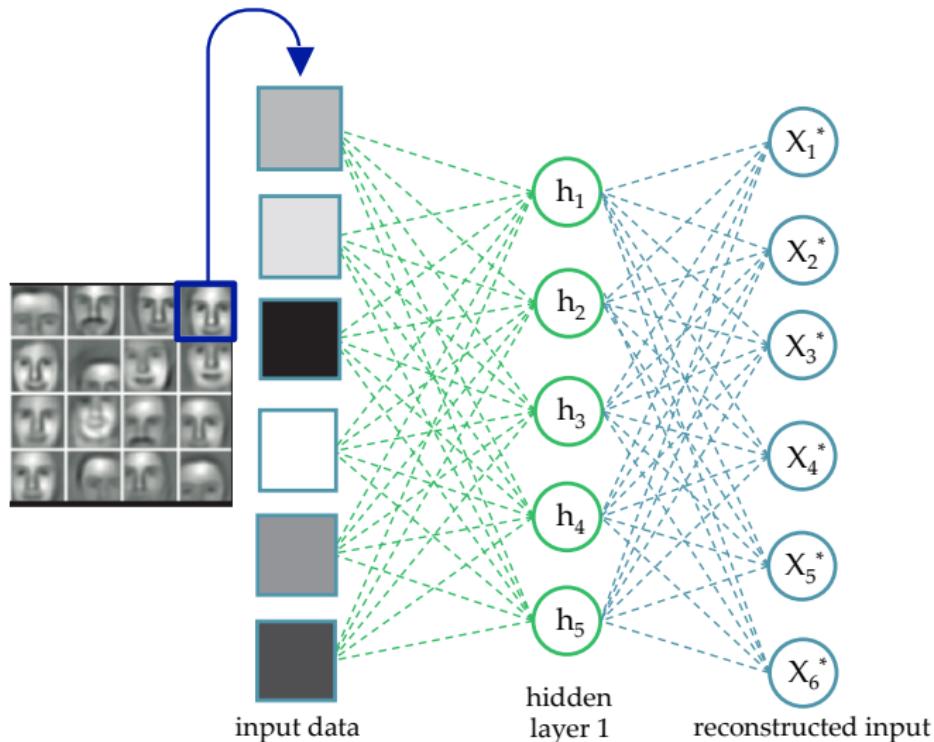
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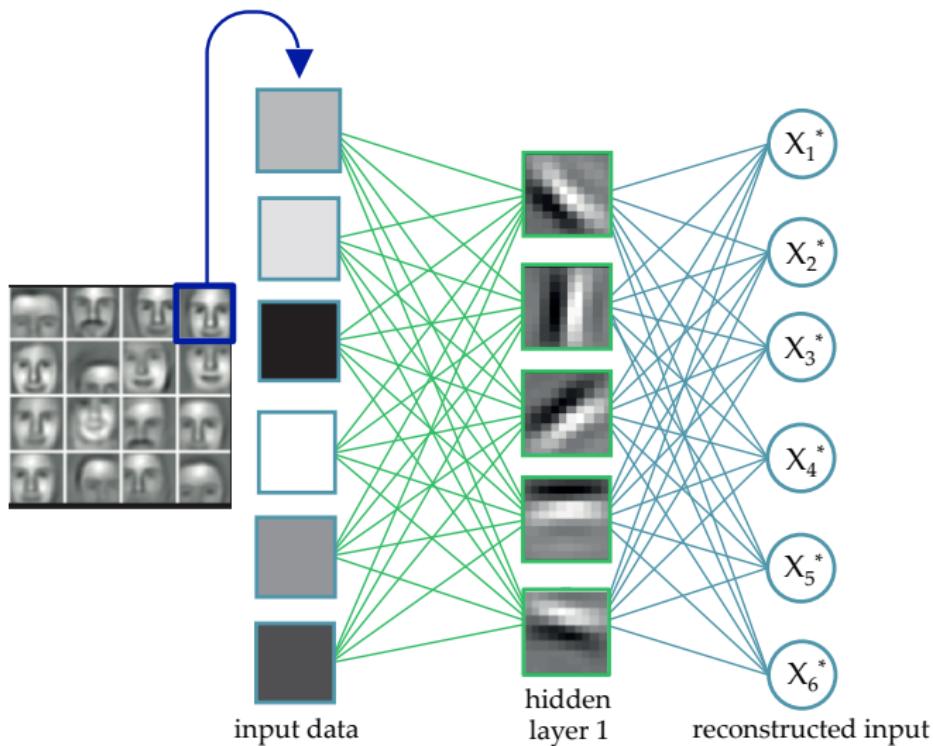
Transform the input data



Feature learning for hidden layer 1



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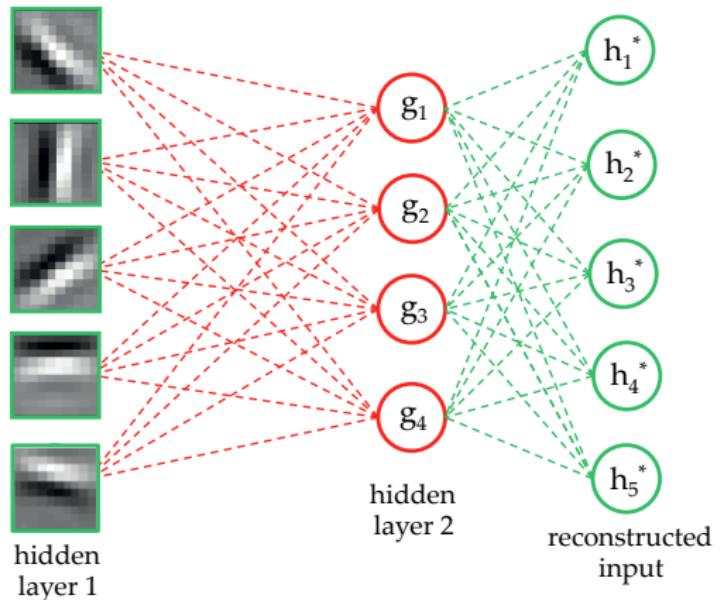


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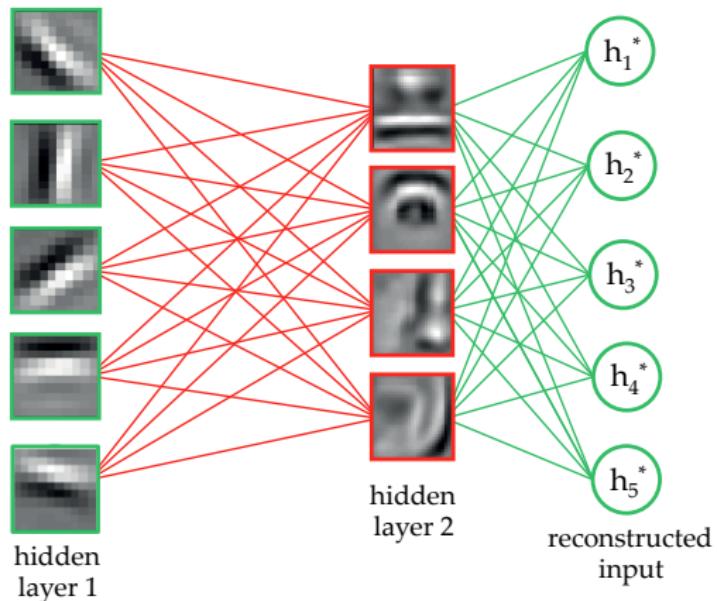


hidden
layer 1

Feature learning for hidden layer 2



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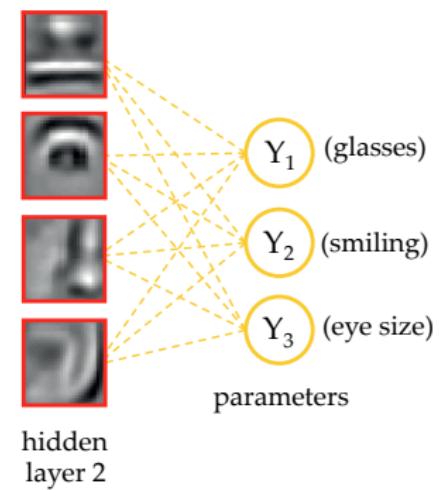


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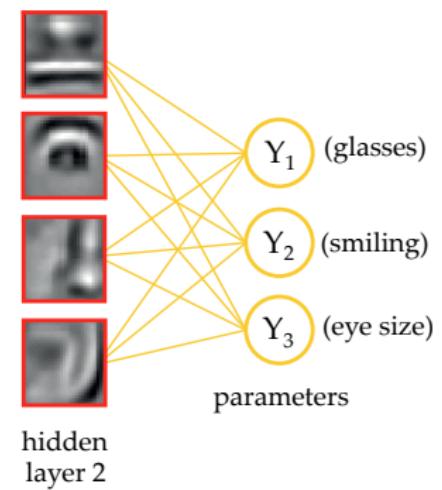


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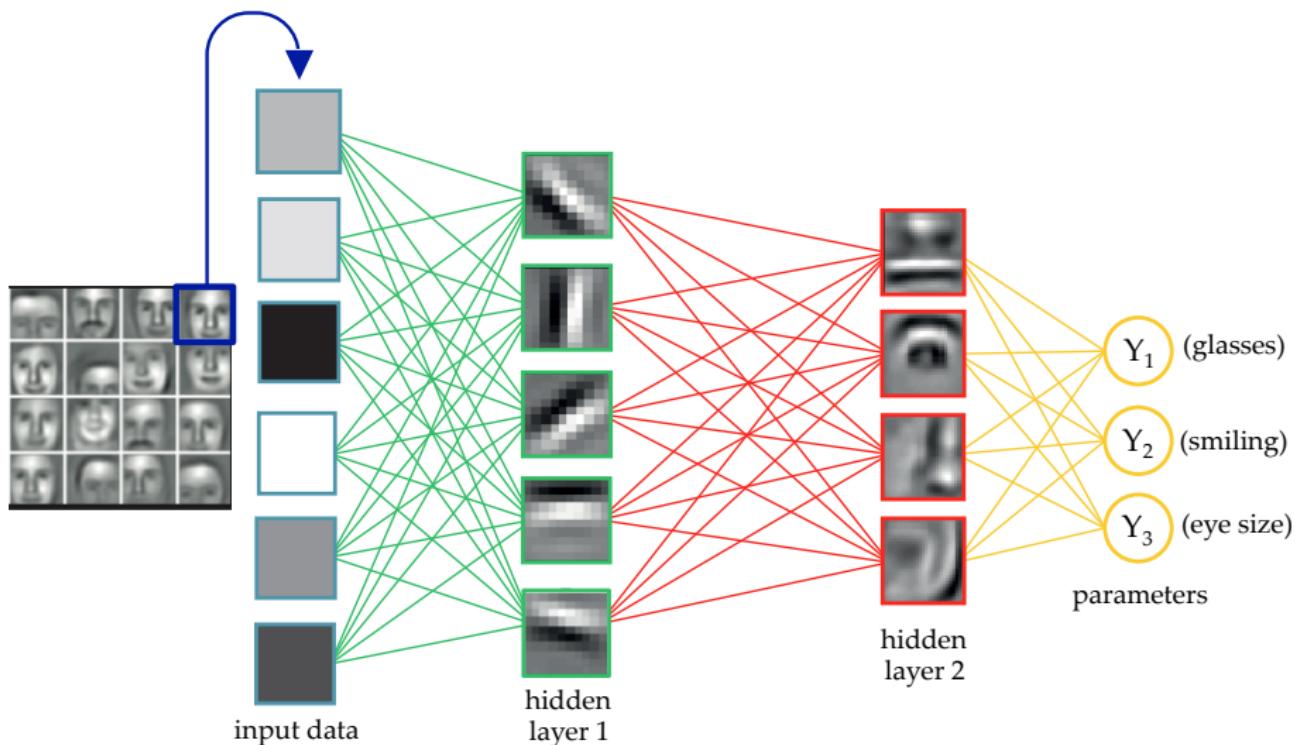
Last layer: supervised learning



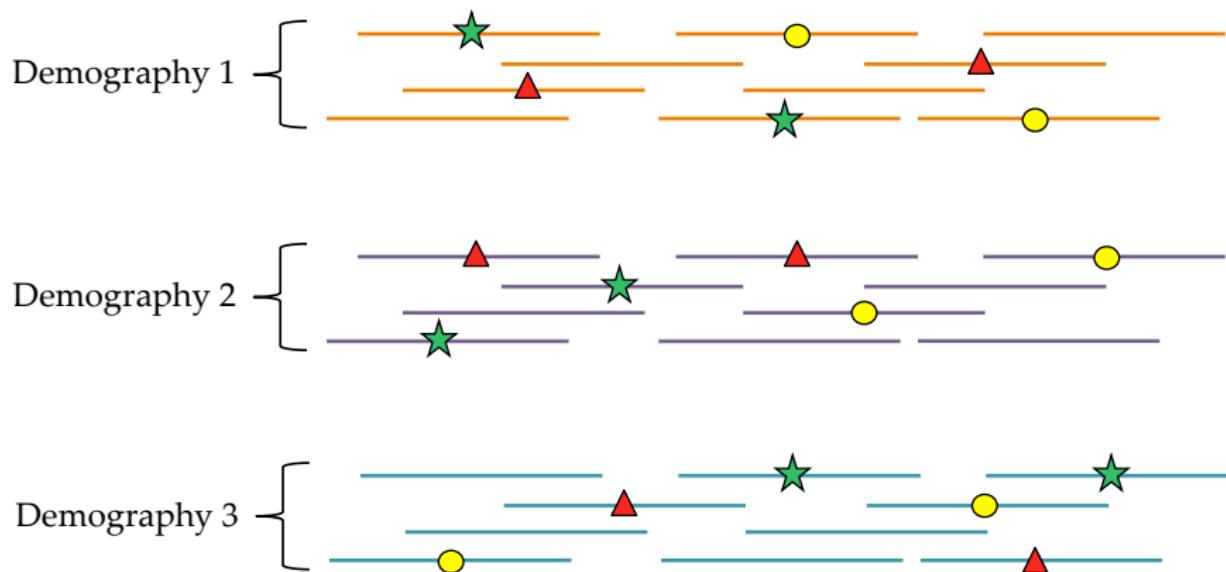
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“Fine-tune” the entire deep network

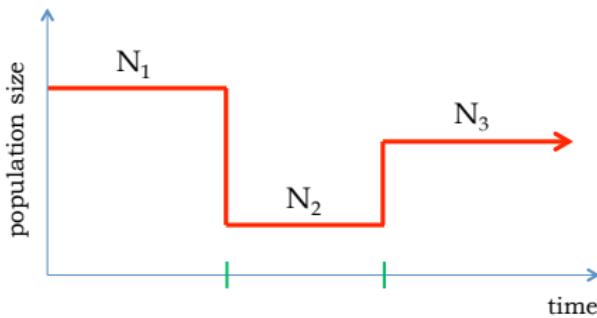


Back to demography and selection: data design



★ *de novo* mutation (hard sweep) ▲ balancing selection ● standing variation (soft sweep)

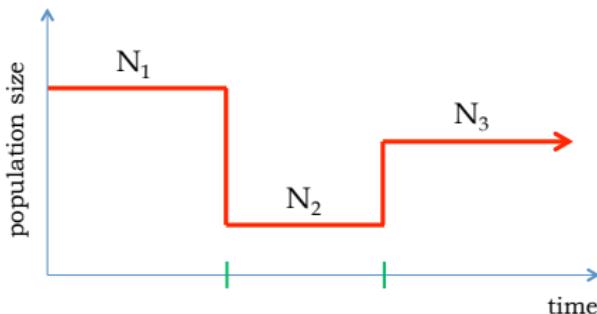
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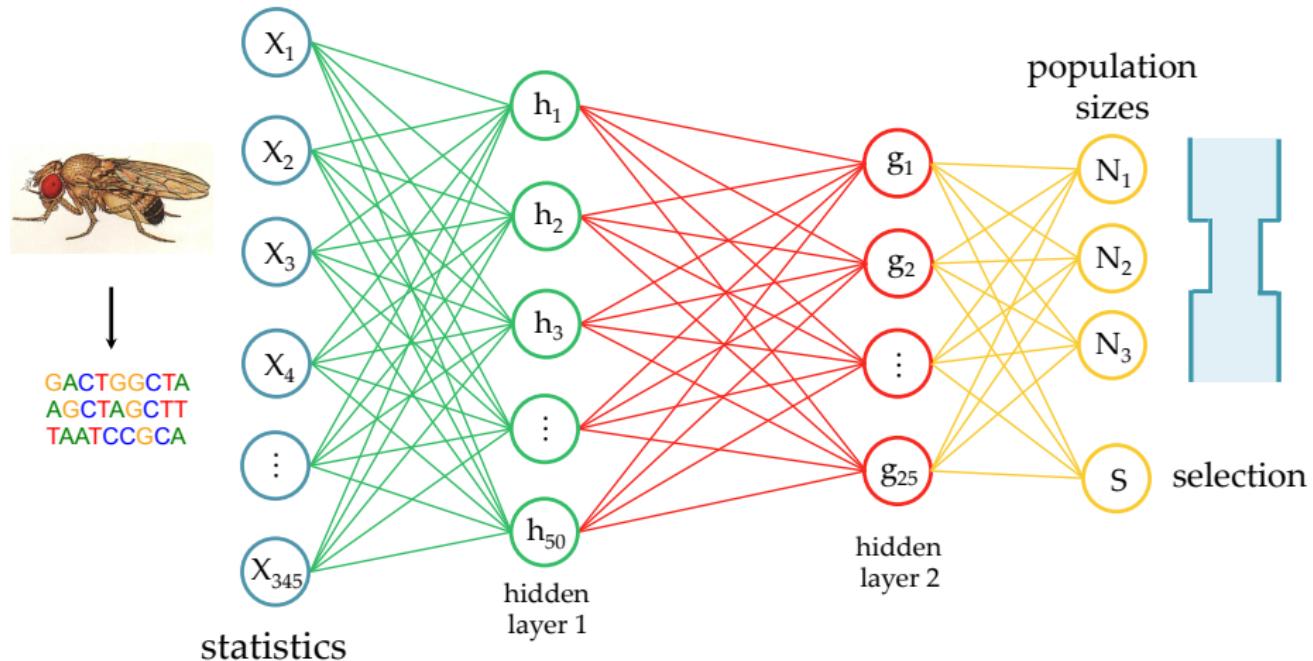
1. baseline effective population size: $N_e = 100,000$
2. $n = 100$ haplotypes
3. selection onset, selection strength, frequency of selected allele
4. 75% of data for training and 25% for testing

Summary statistics (features)

- ▶ Number of segregating sites **3 stats**
- ▶ Tajima's D **3 stats**
- ▶ Folded site frequency spectrum (SFS) **150 stats**
- ▶ Length distribution between segregating sites **48 stats**
- ▶ identity-by-state (IBS) tract length distribution **90 stats**
- ▶ Linkage disequilibrium (LD) distributions **48 stats**
- ▶ Haplotype frequency statistics **3 stats**

= 345 features total

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Results

Confusion matrix for selection classes

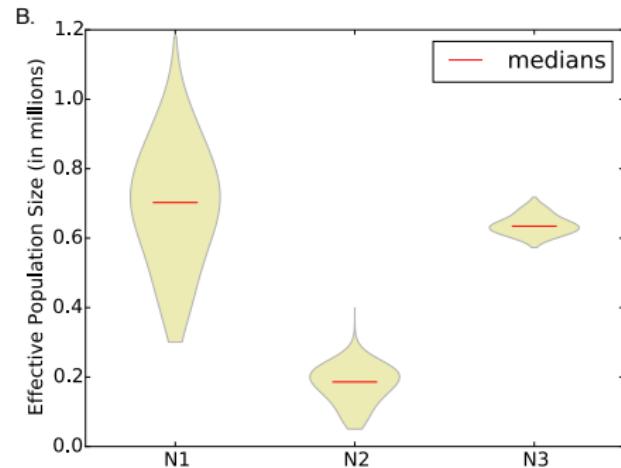
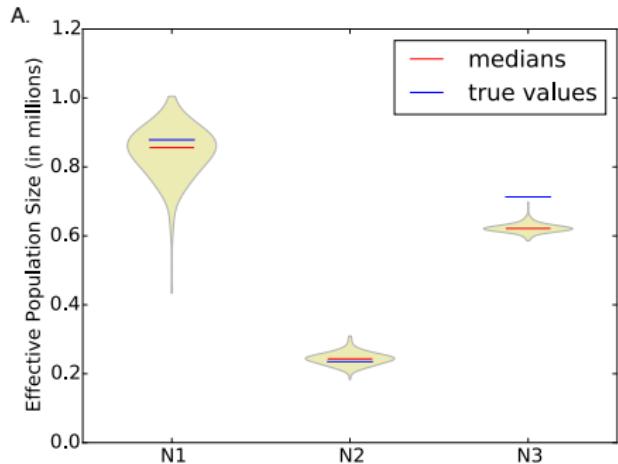
True Class	Called Class			
	Neutral	Hard Sweep	Soft Sweep	Balancing
Neutral	0.9995	0.0002	0.0003	0.0000
Hard Sweep	0.1434	0.8333	0.0032	0.0201
Soft Sweep	0.0096	0.0010	0.9891	0.0003
Balancing	0.0301	0.0356	0.0056	0.9287

Overall error: 6.2%

With and without unsupervised learning

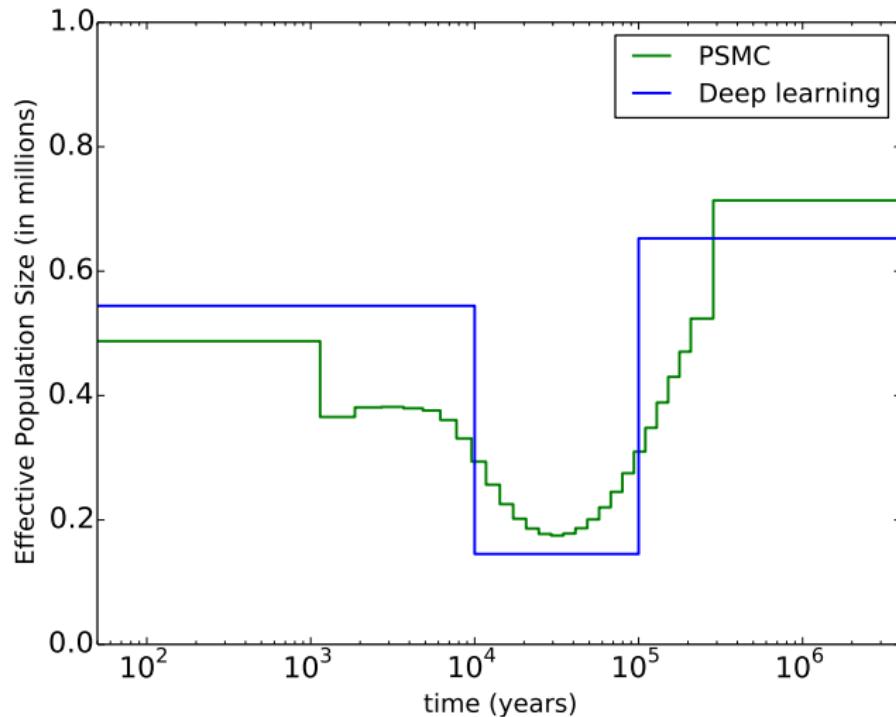
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Random Initialization				
Neutral	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Hard Sweep	0.978	0.007	0.000	0.015
Soft Sweep	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Balancing	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Autoencoder Initialization				
Neutral	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Hard Sweep	0.145	0.831	0.004	0.021
Soft Sweep	0.011	0.001	0.987	0.000
Balancing	0.030	0.028	0.001	0.941

Population Size Accuracy

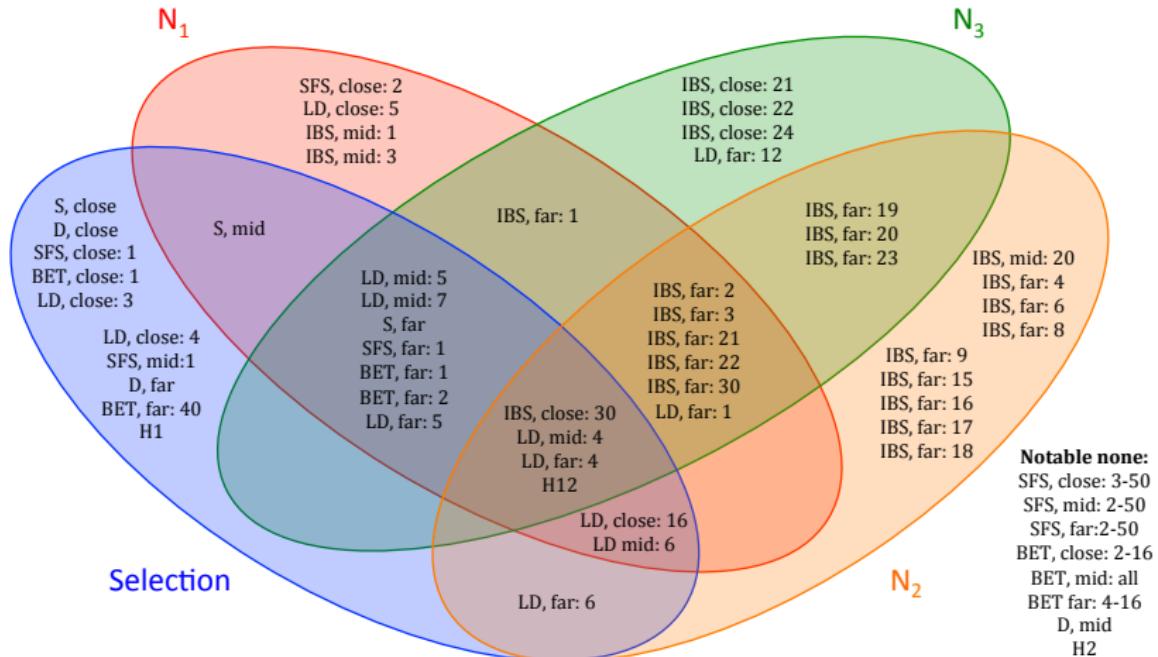


- A. Population size results for an example simulated dataset.
- B. Population size results for the real *Drosophila* data.

African *Drosophila*: history



Feature selection: “best” statistics



Conclusions and Future Work

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Machine learning dual goals

- ▶ Incorporate biological models into deep learning
- ▶ Summary statistic free inference?

Thank you!

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