

Reducing the need for **large labeled dataset** in the **learning to learn** framework

Ph.D. Project Proposal

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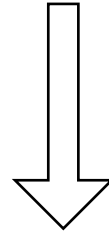
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Deep learning is showing outstanding performances in different areas ...

Problem:

we need **many examples** for training



not aligned with the learning process in the human level

Deep
Learning

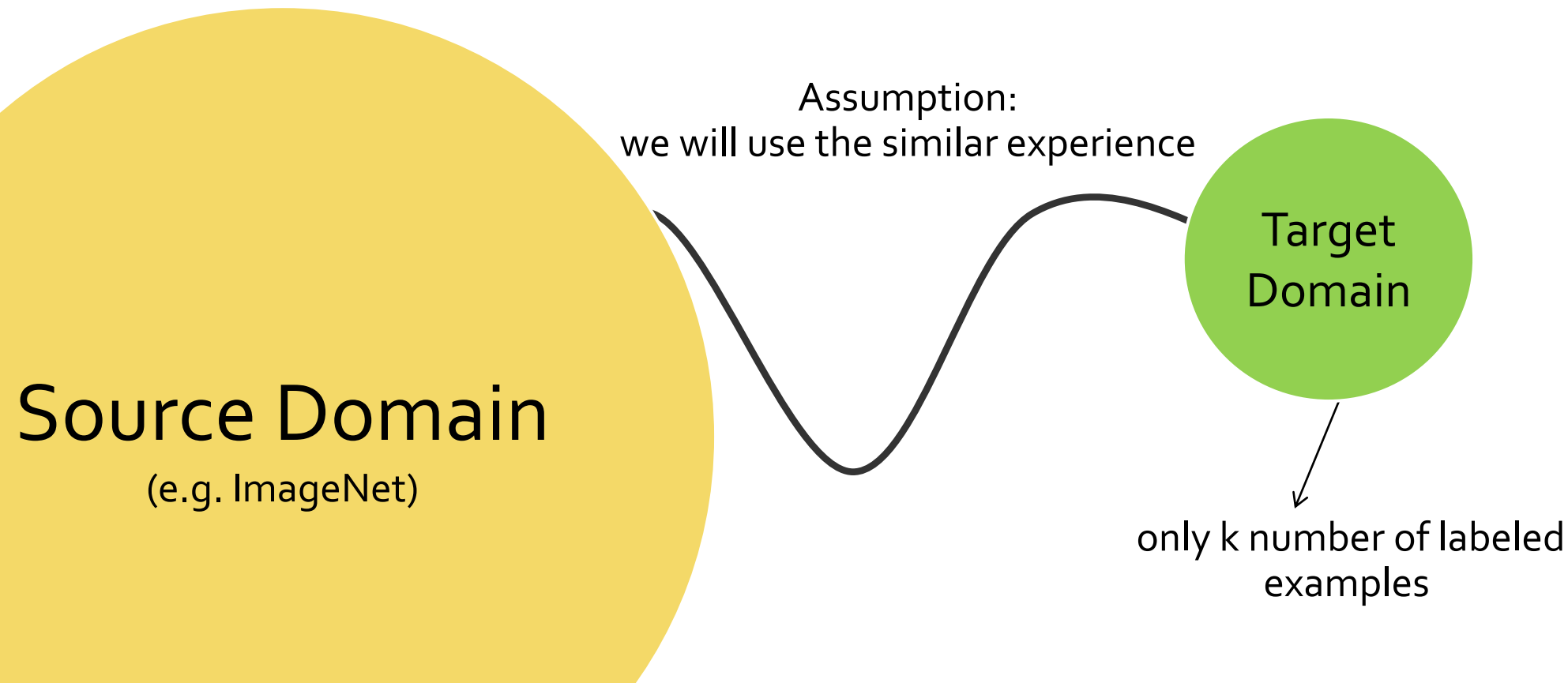
K-shot
Learning

Meta
Learning

Distance
based
Learning

K-shot learning: is supervised **transferring** knowledge

↓
using previous experience



**Transfer Learning
by fine-tune????**

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(These notes are currently in draft form and under development)

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1. *New dataset is small and similar to original dataset.* Since the data is small, it is not a good idea to fine-tune the ConvNet due to **overfitting concerns**. Since the data is similar to the original data, we expect higher-level features in the ConvNet to be relevant to this dataset as well. Hence, the best idea might be to train a linear classifier on the CNN codes.
2. *New dataset is large and similar to the original dataset.* Since we have more data, we can have more confidence that we won't overfit if we were to try to fine-tune through the full network.
3. *New dataset is small but very different from the original dataset.* Since the data is small, it is likely best to only train a linear classifier. Since the dataset is very different, it might not be best to train the classifier from the top of the network, which contains more dataset-specific features. Instead, it might work better to train the SVM classifier from activations somewhere earlier in the network.
4. *New dataset is large and very different from the original dataset.* Since the dataset is very large, we may expect that we can afford to train a ConvNet from scratch. However, in practice it is very often still beneficial to initialize with weights from a pretrained model. In this case, we would have enough data and confidence to fine-tune through the entire network.

(k examples might not enough; **overfitting problem**)

Three approaches are proposed:

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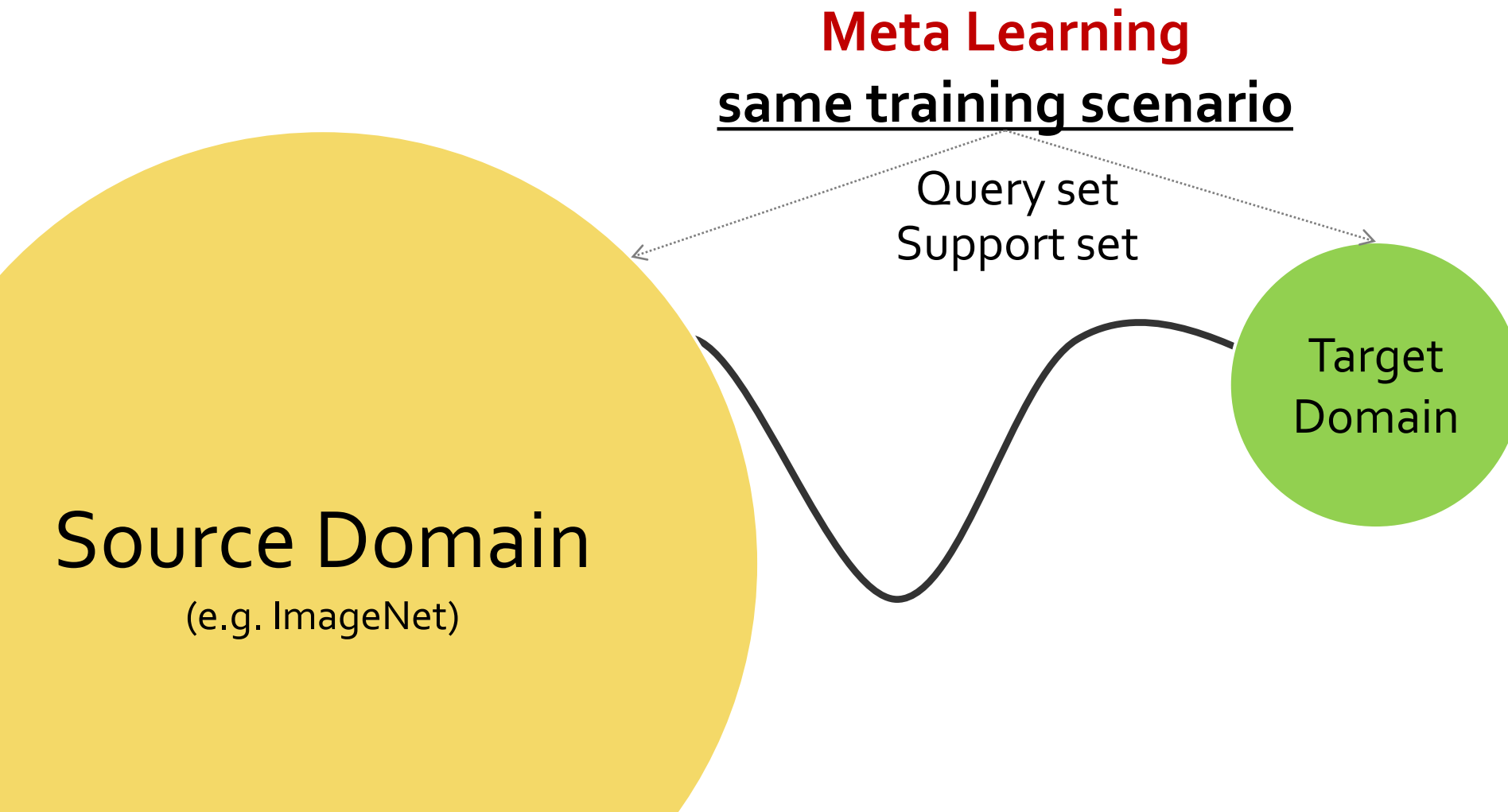
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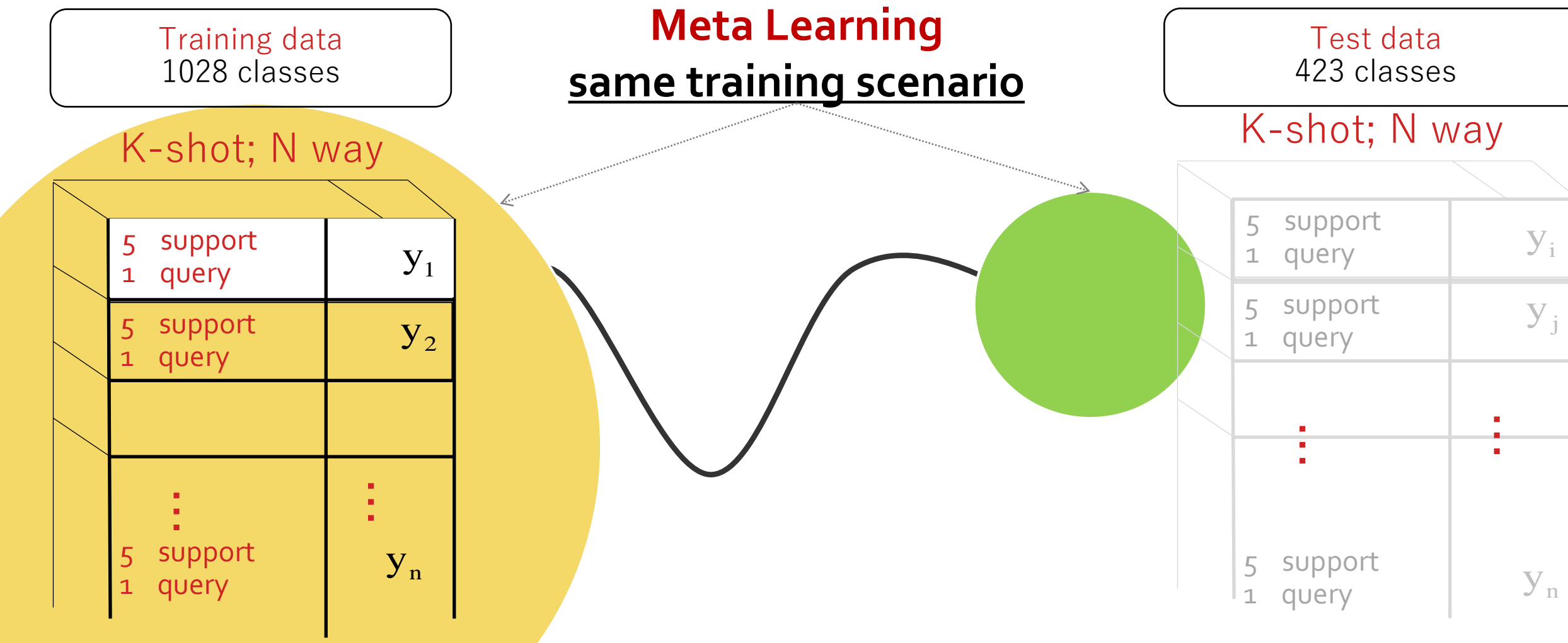
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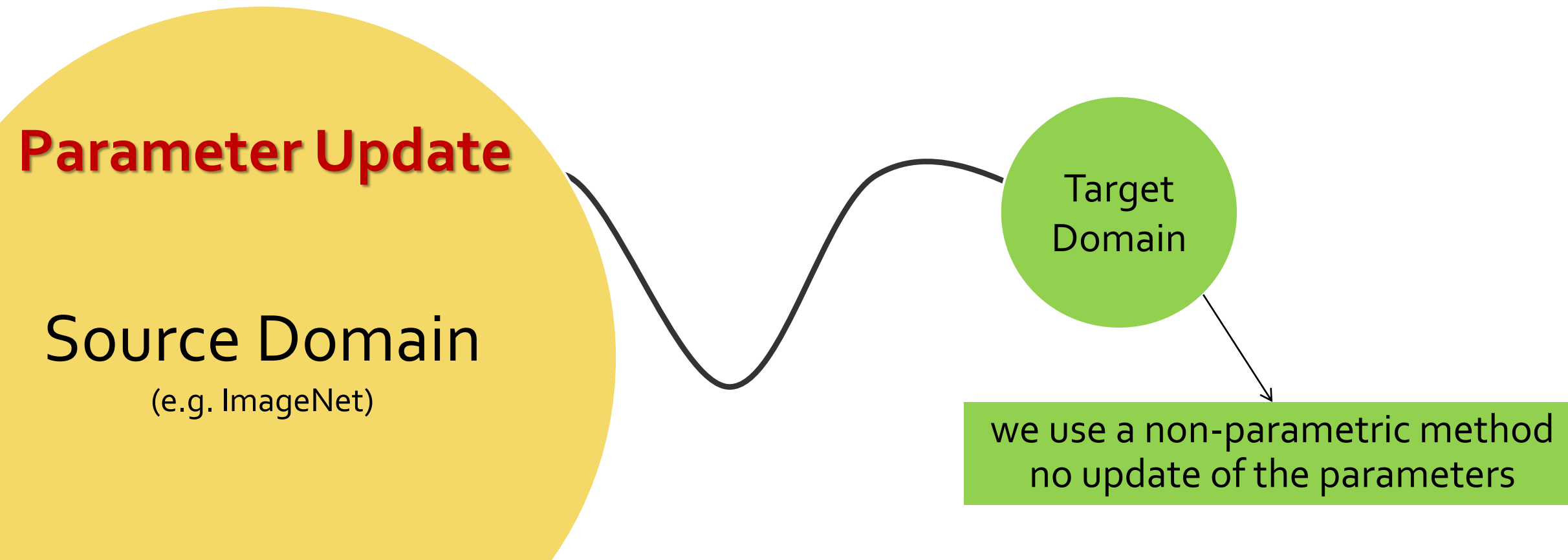


**In source domain training,
we pretend to have only “k”
example in each iteration.
(Like target domain)**

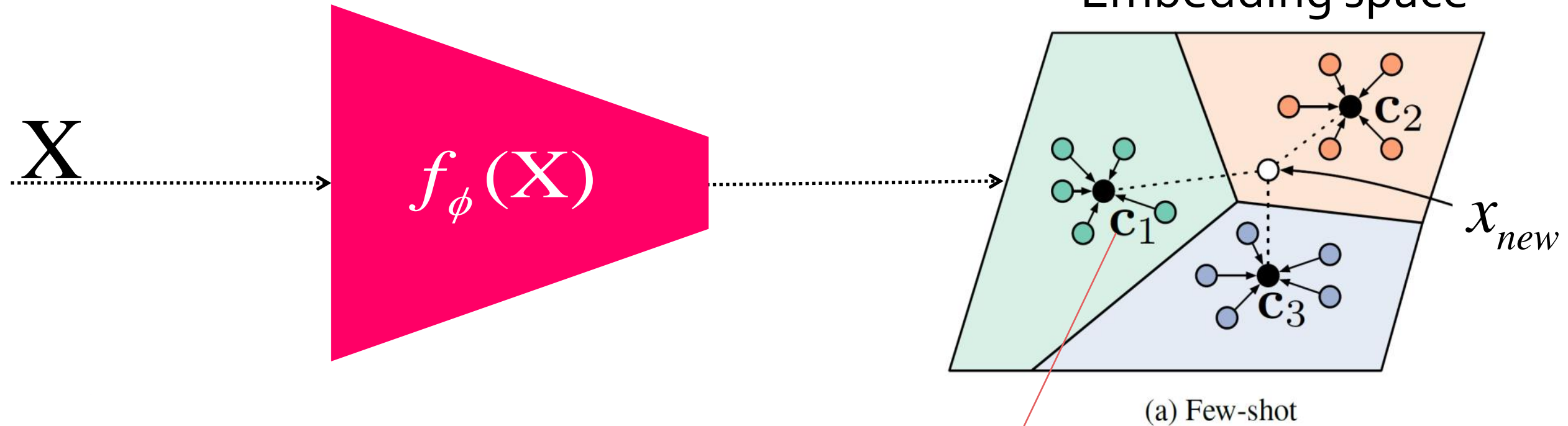
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Snell, Swersky, and Zemel, 2017



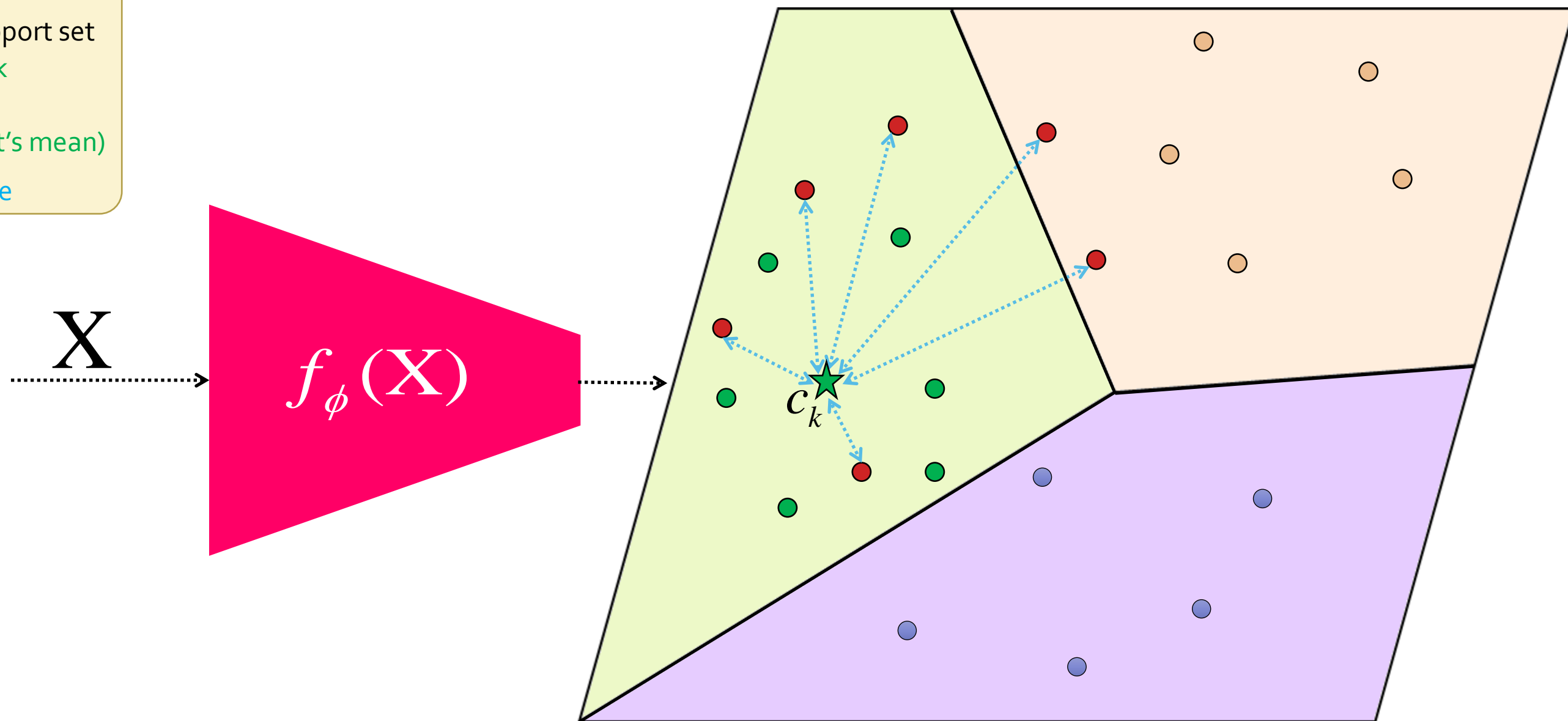
$$\mathbf{c}_k = \frac{1}{|S_k|} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) \in S_k} f_\phi(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

Prototypical Network [Snell et al. NIPS2017)]

Distance based approach (e.g.)

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- ○ other classes support set
- support set class k
- query set class k
- ★ proto (support set's mean)
- ↔ Euclidean distance



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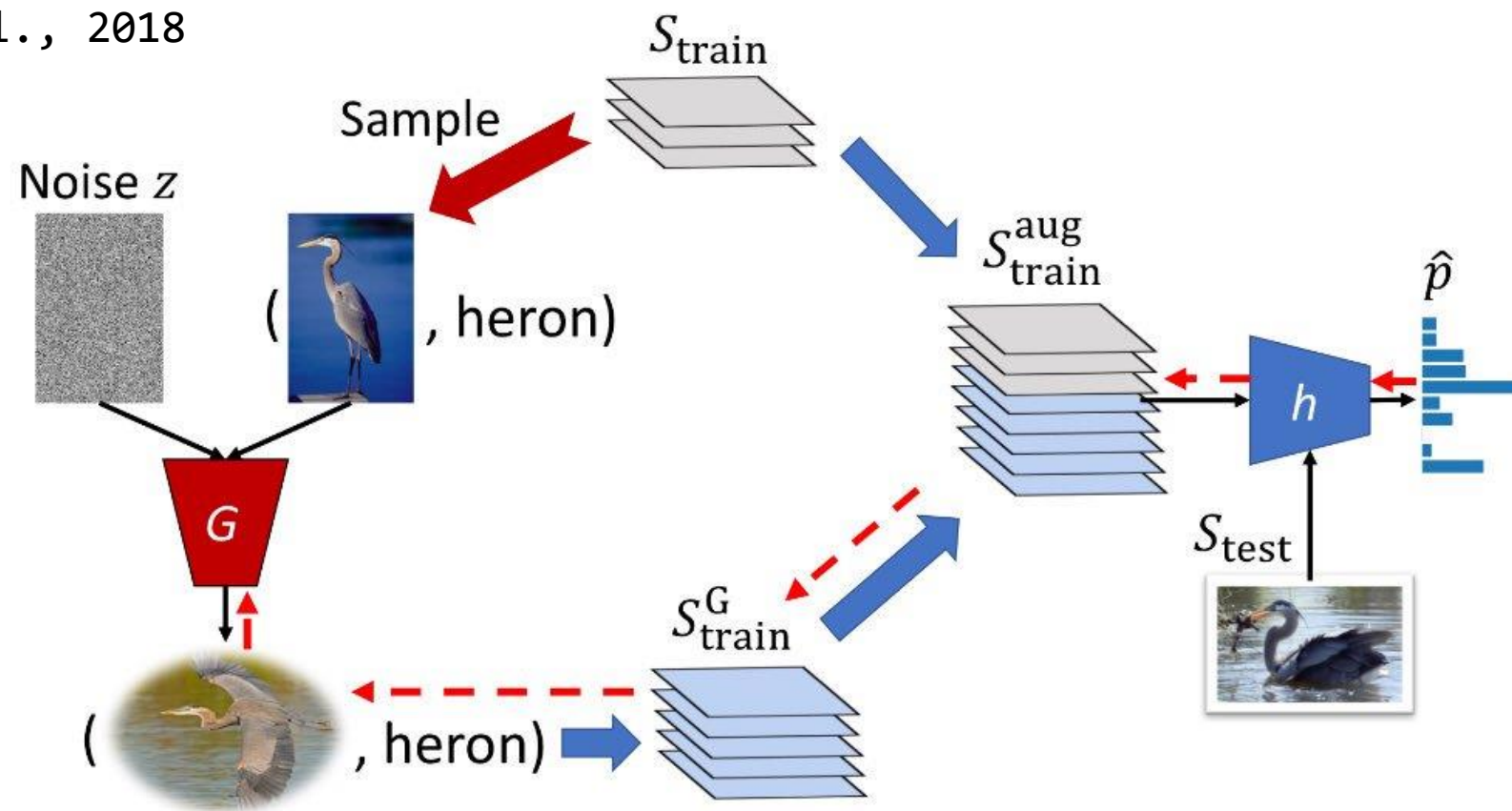
Extending:

- ❑ Semi supervised learning
- ❑ Active Learning
- ❑ Data augmentation

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Wang et al., 2018



Unrealistic images
in the image space???????

Why **NOT** realistic data
augmentation?

Small challenge: **Supervised** Generative Models!



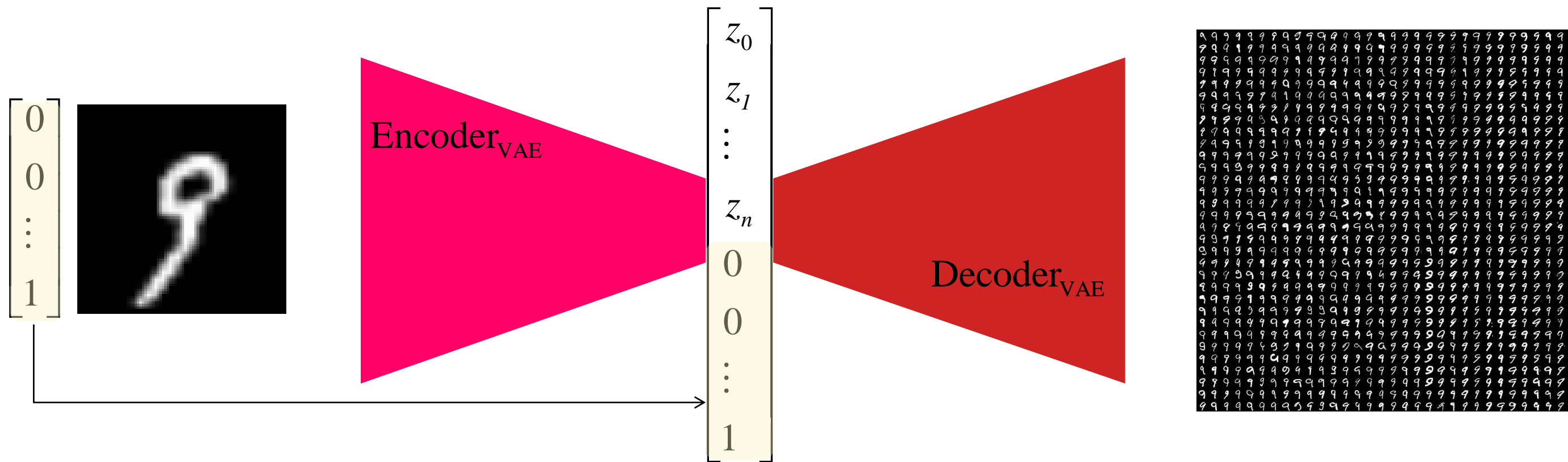
Encoder_{VAE}

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{bmatrix}$$

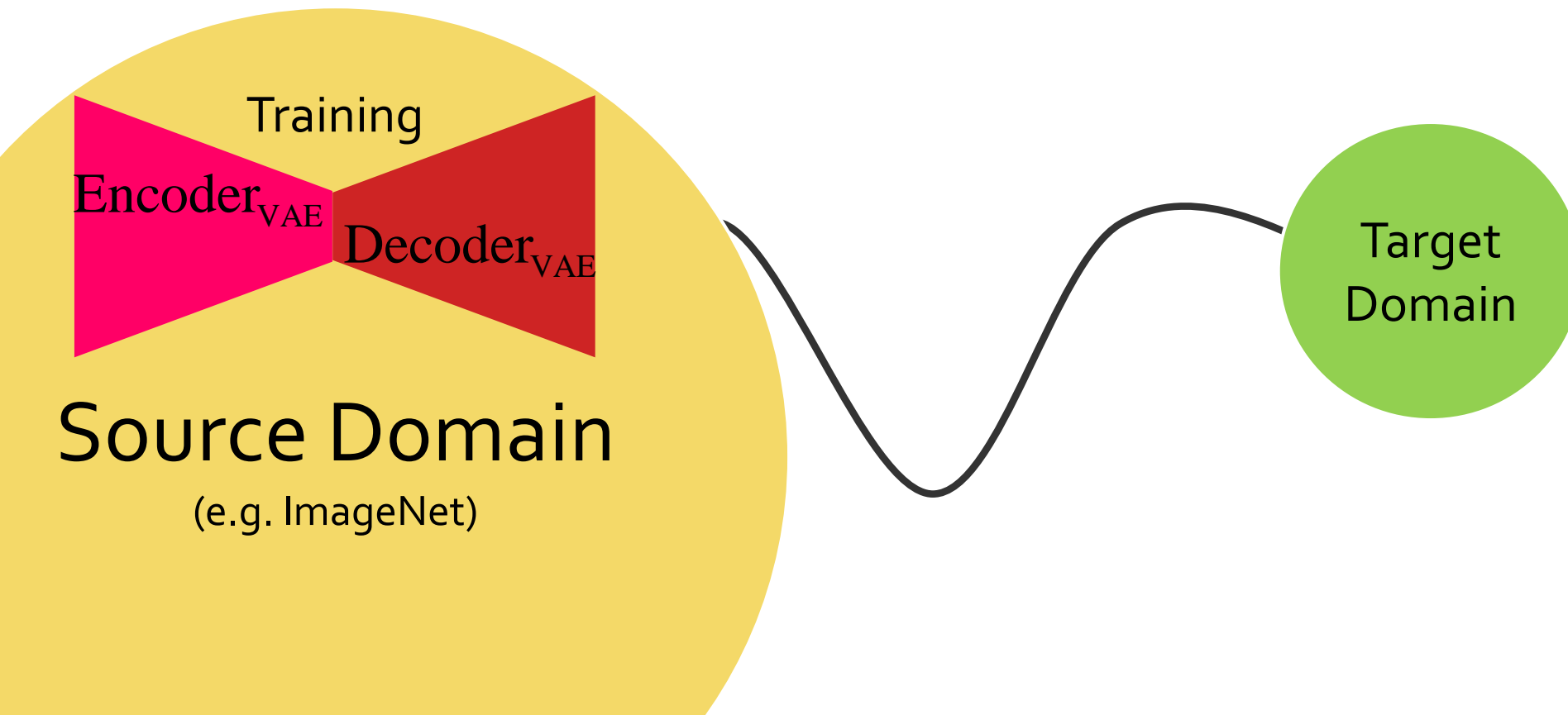
Decoder_{VAE}



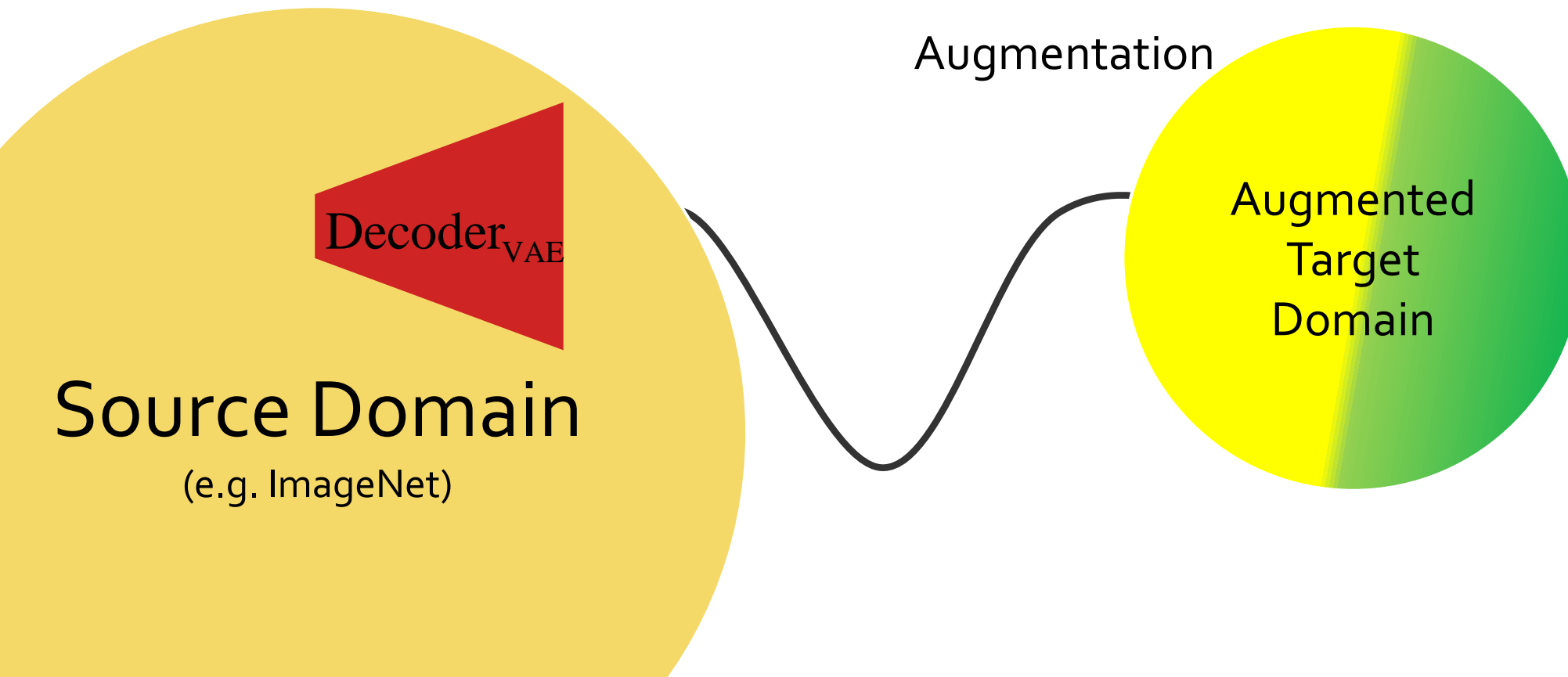
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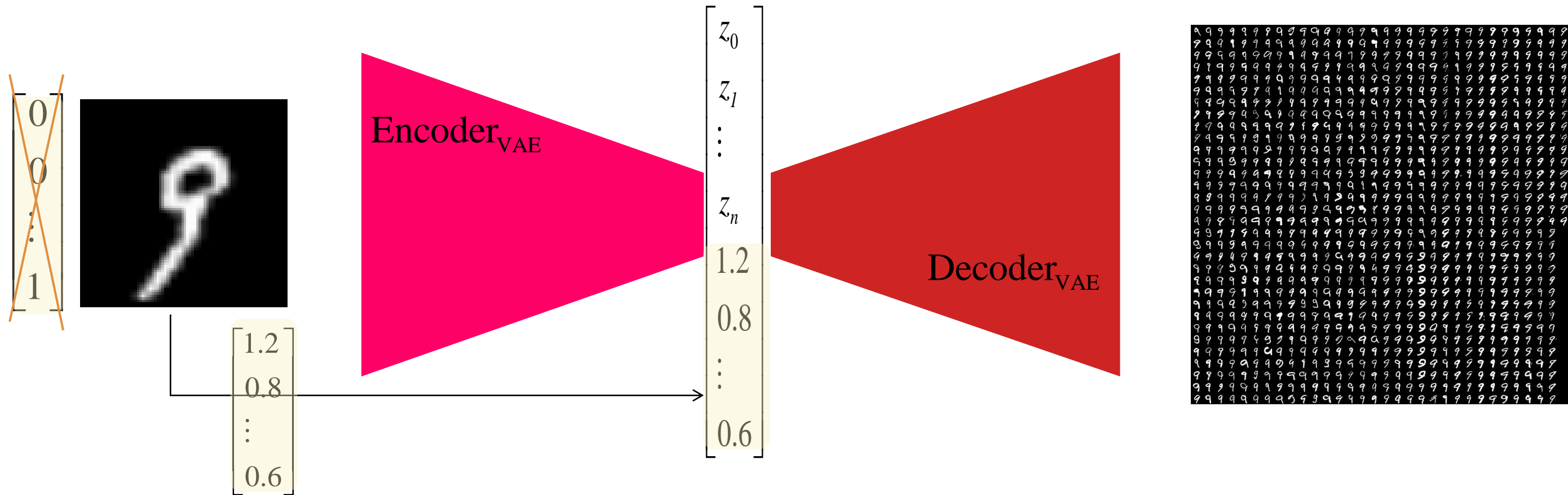
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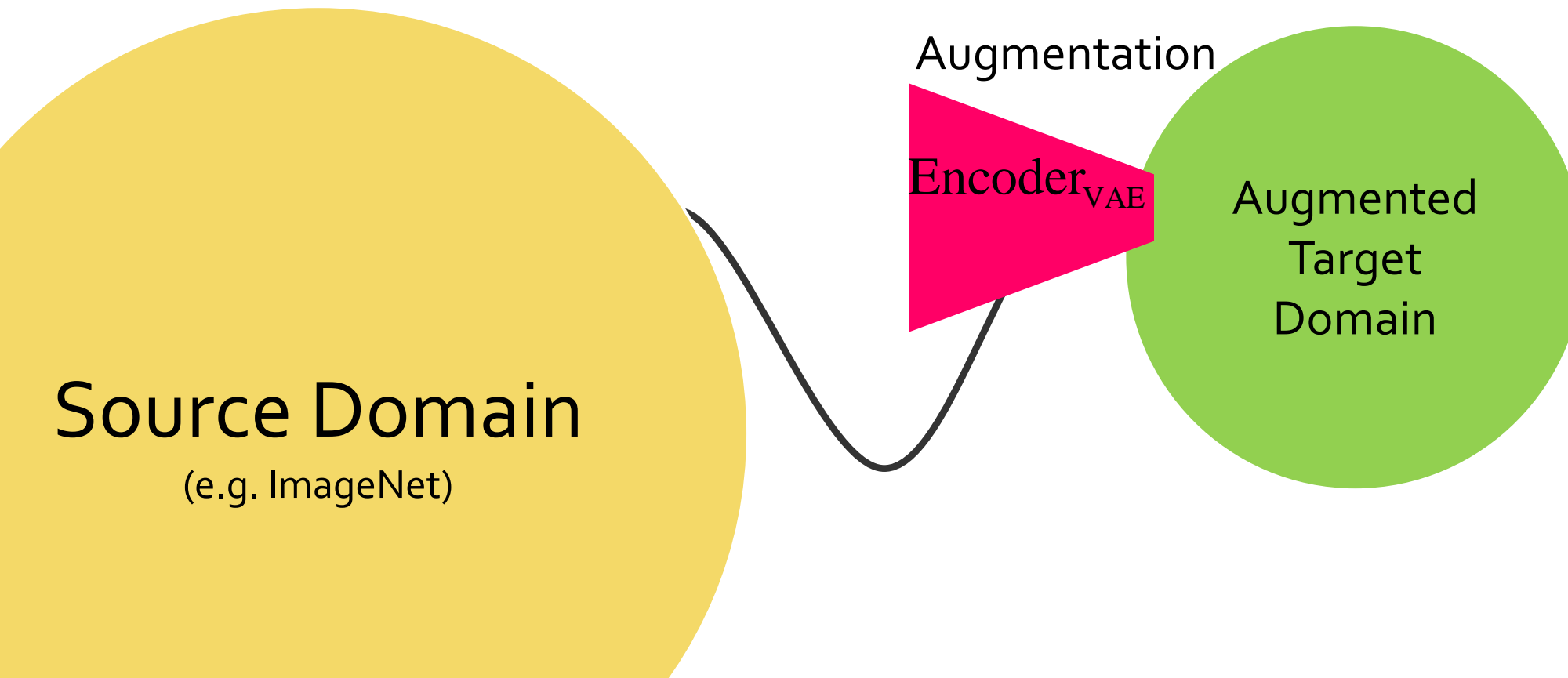
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Our Solution:

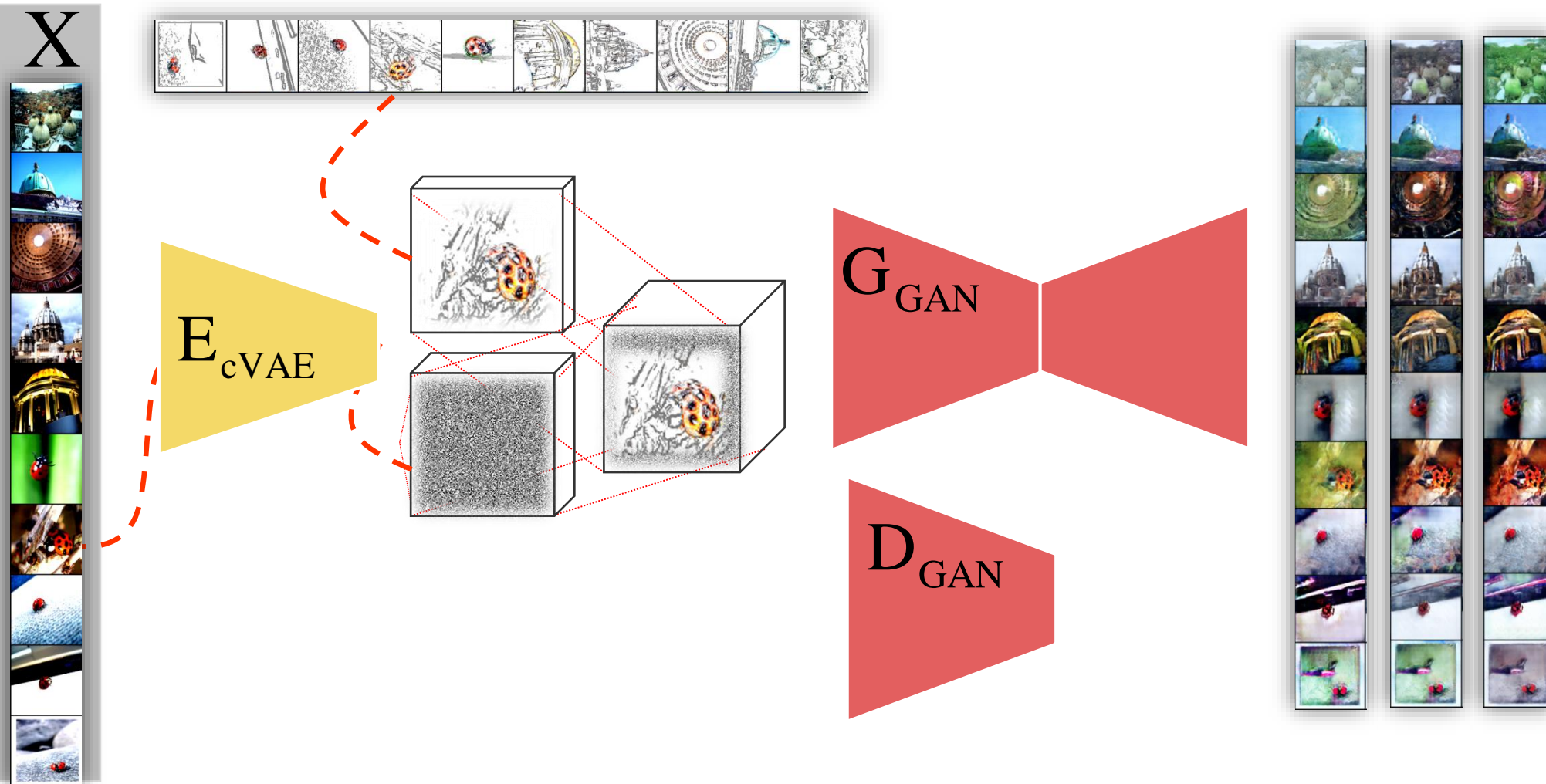


Our Solution:



Extending k-shot to k-pluse-shot Learning

Conditional Variational Autoencoder GAN



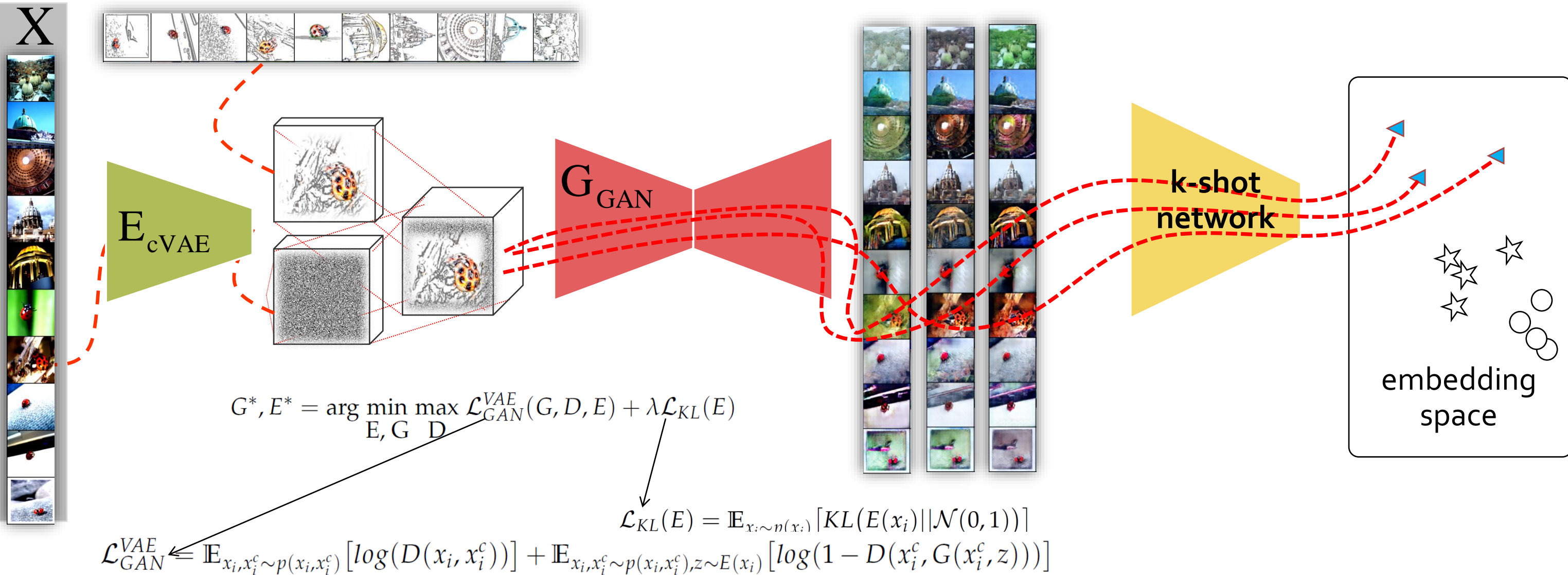
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Inspired by:

Zhu, Jun-Yan, et al. "Toward multimodal image-to-image translation." *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*. 2017.

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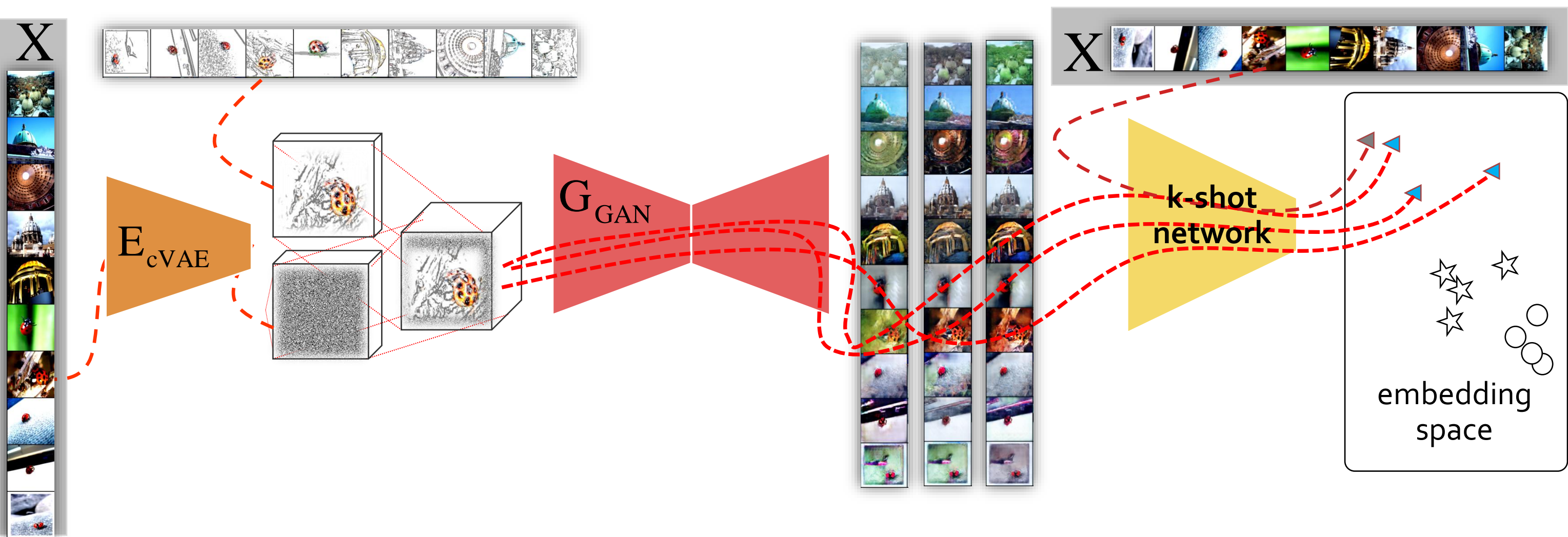
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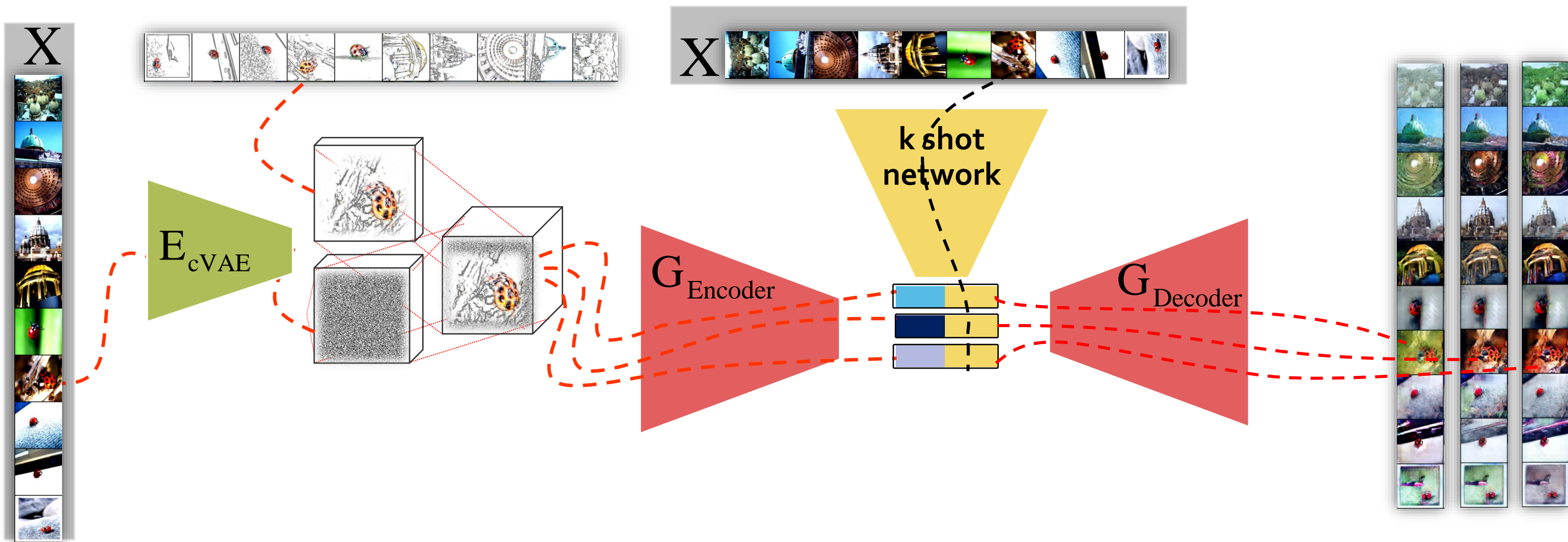
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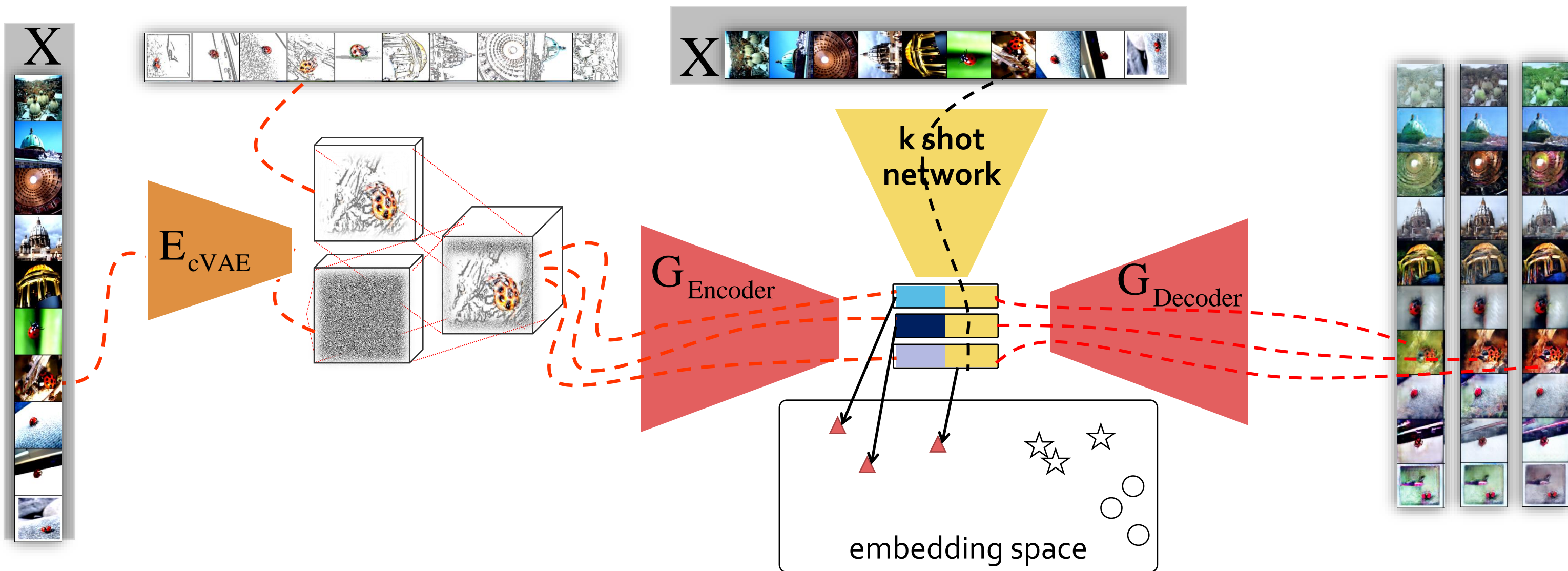
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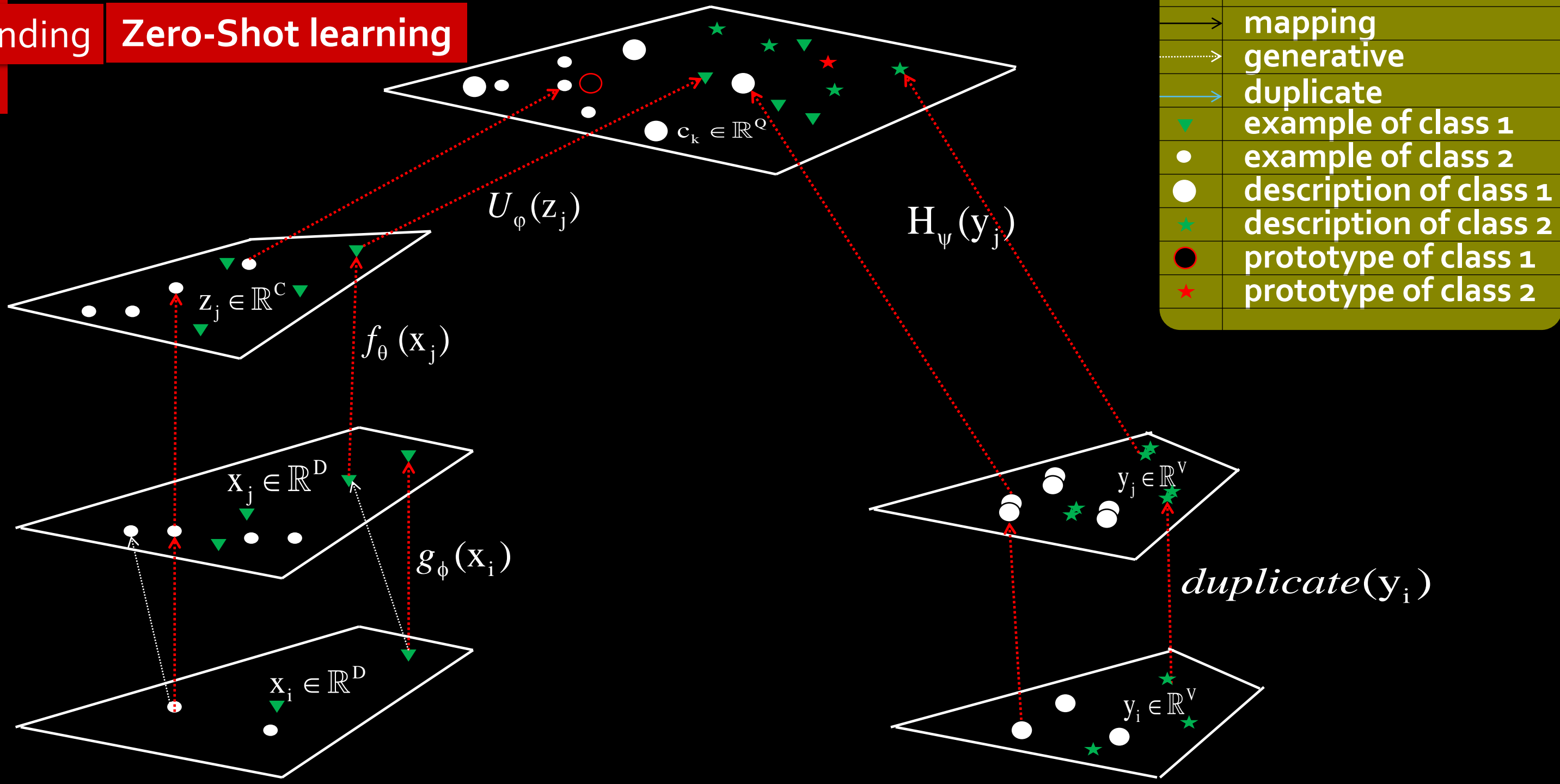
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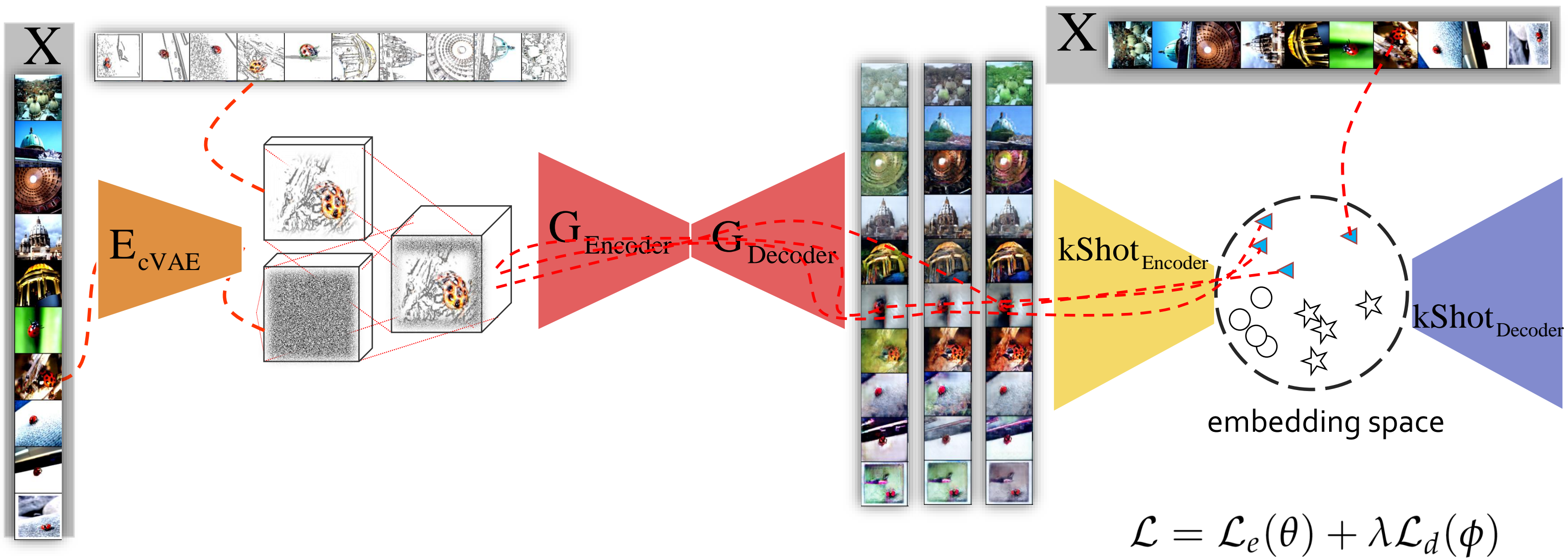
TABLE 2.1: Average classification accuracies on *miniImageNet* in 5 ways, 5 Shot (with 5 query) setting

Method	Accuracy
MN (Vinyals et al., 2016)	55.3%
MAML (Finn, Abbeel, and Levine, 2017)	63.1% ($\pm 0.92\%$)
PN (Snell, Swersky, and Zemel, 2017)	63.20% ($\pm 0.04\%$)
Ours(Consecutive)	62.4% ($\pm 0.03\%$)
Ours(Lateral)	65.7 % ($\pm 0.04\%$)



Extending

Adding Decoder



1. Extending cVAE-GAN to meta-learning framework
2. k-plus learning with realistic and variational data augmentation
3. Zero-shot learning (k-plus learning)
4. Adding Decoder for distance based k-shot learning

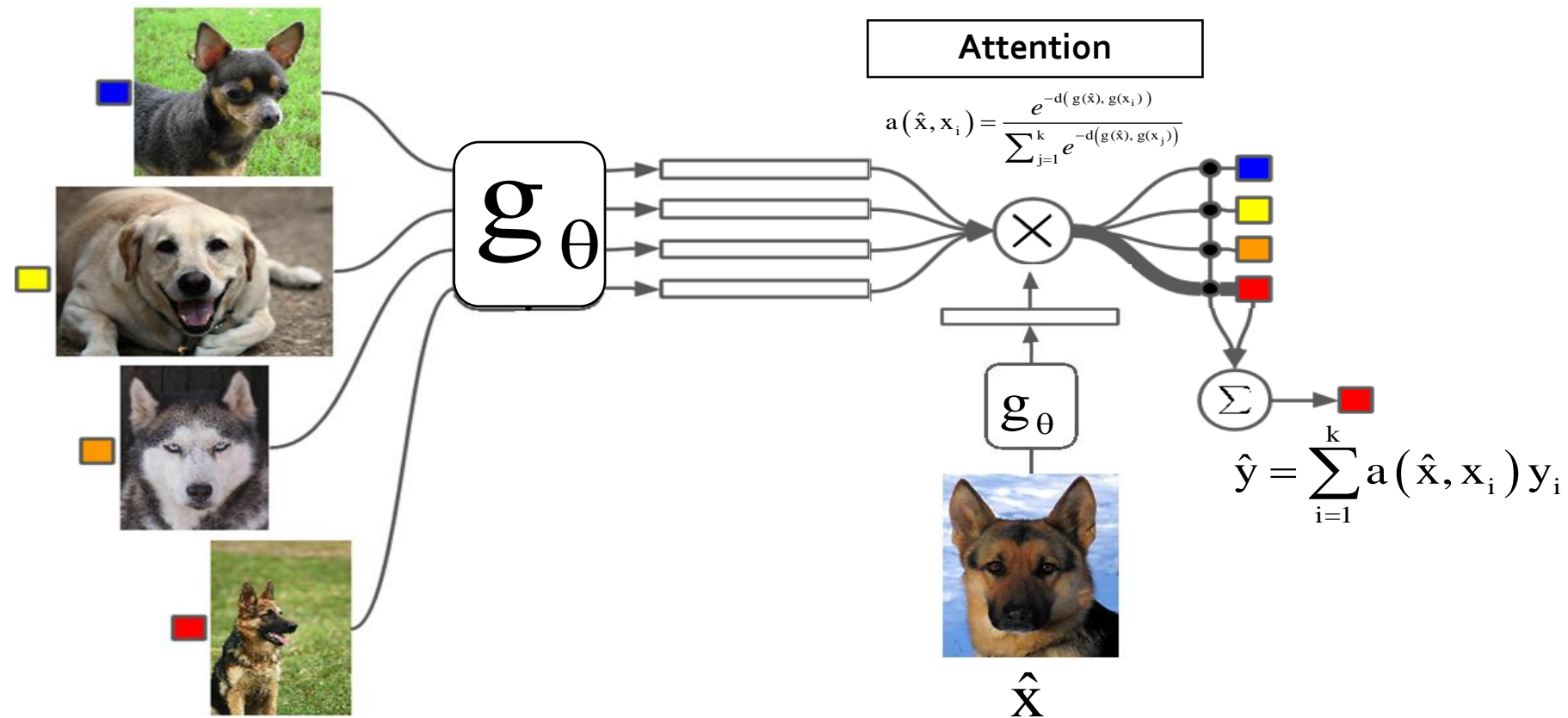
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Meta-learned LSTMs

- could rapidly extend to never-before-seen quadratic functions (Hochreiter, Younger, and Conwell, 2001)
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Vinyals et al., 2016



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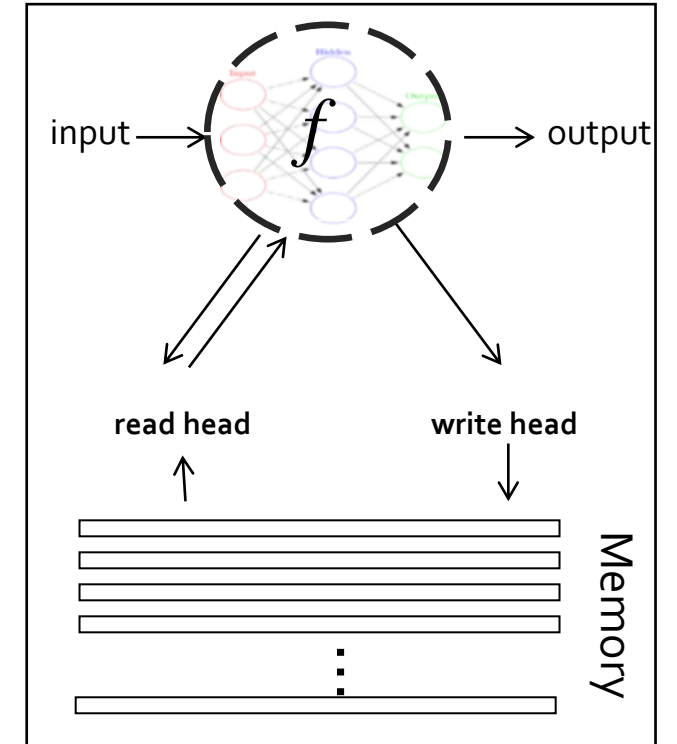
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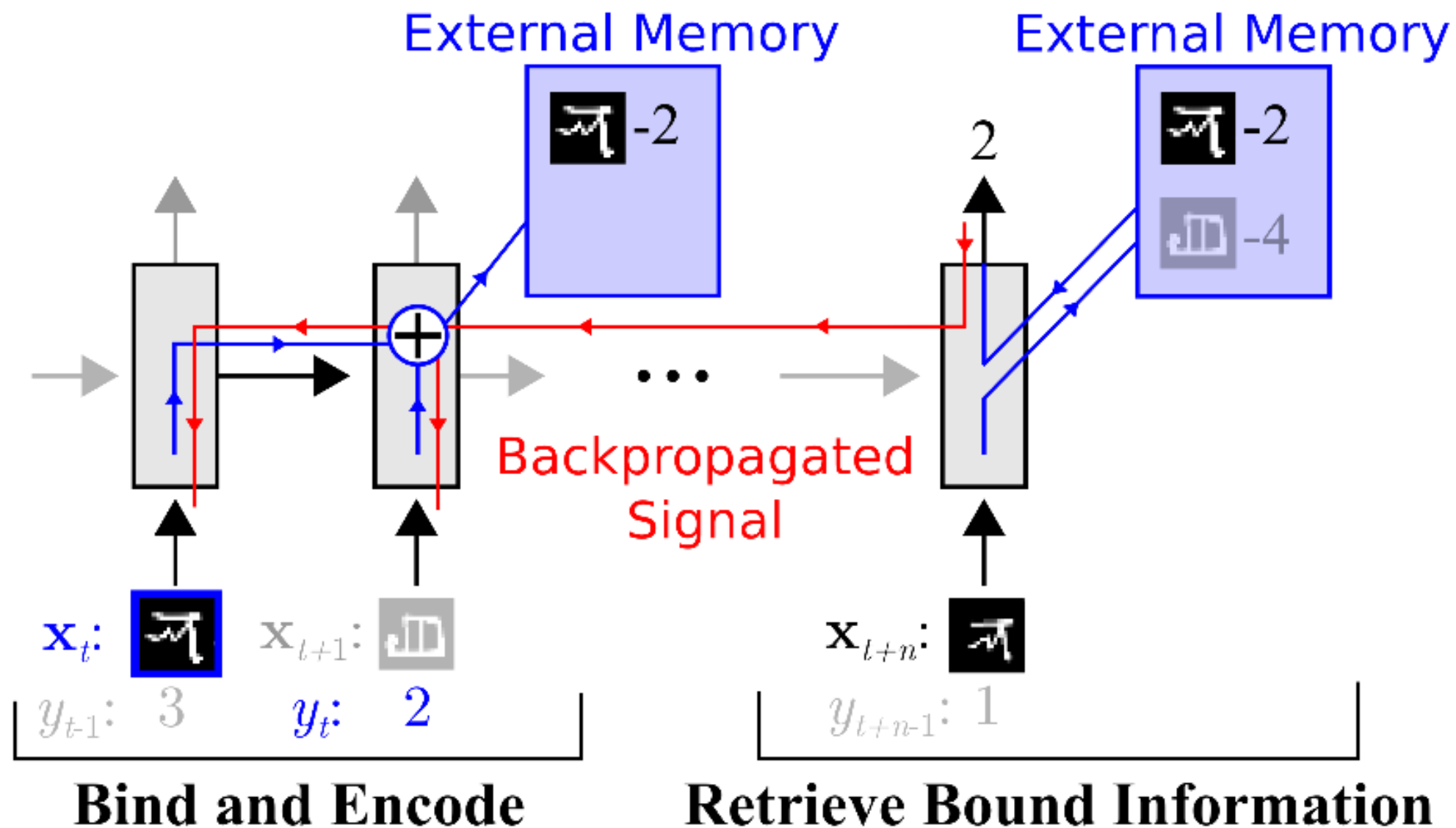
Problems with LSTM:

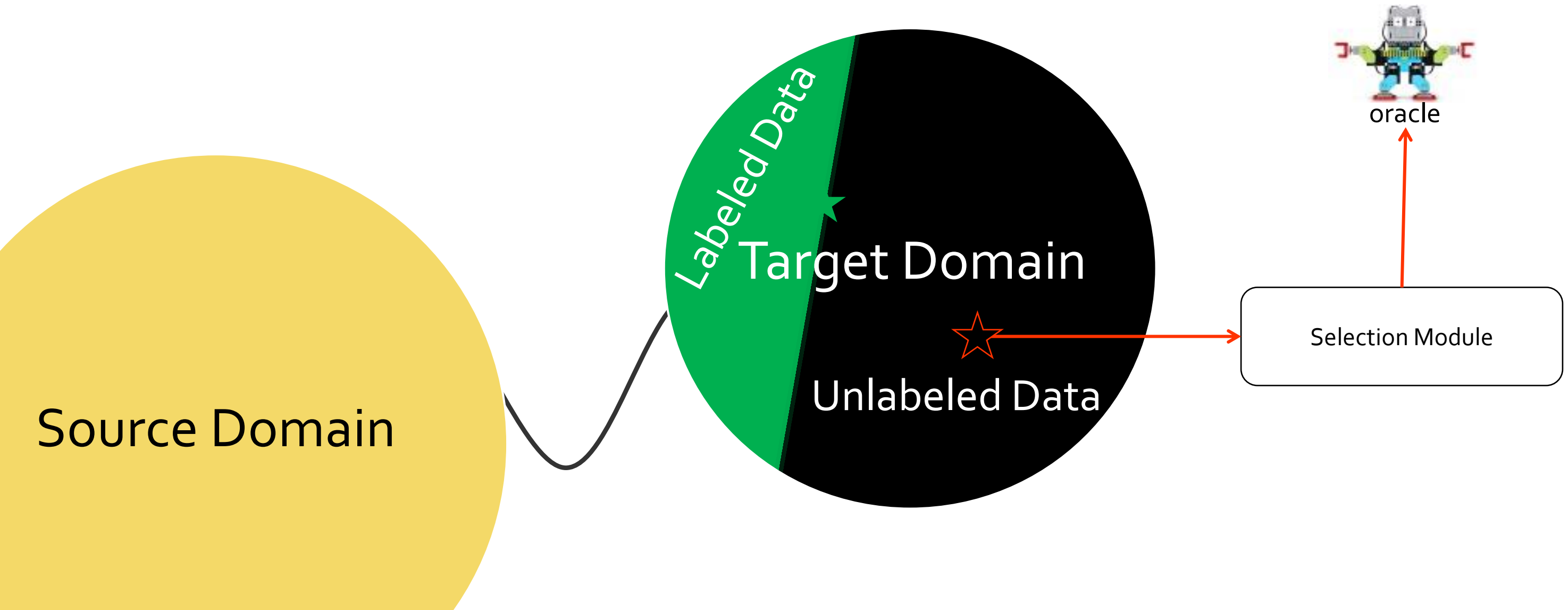
- LSTM's memory cannot extend to the classification of examples in many situations
- LSTM's memory is not addressable and retrievable when we need information.

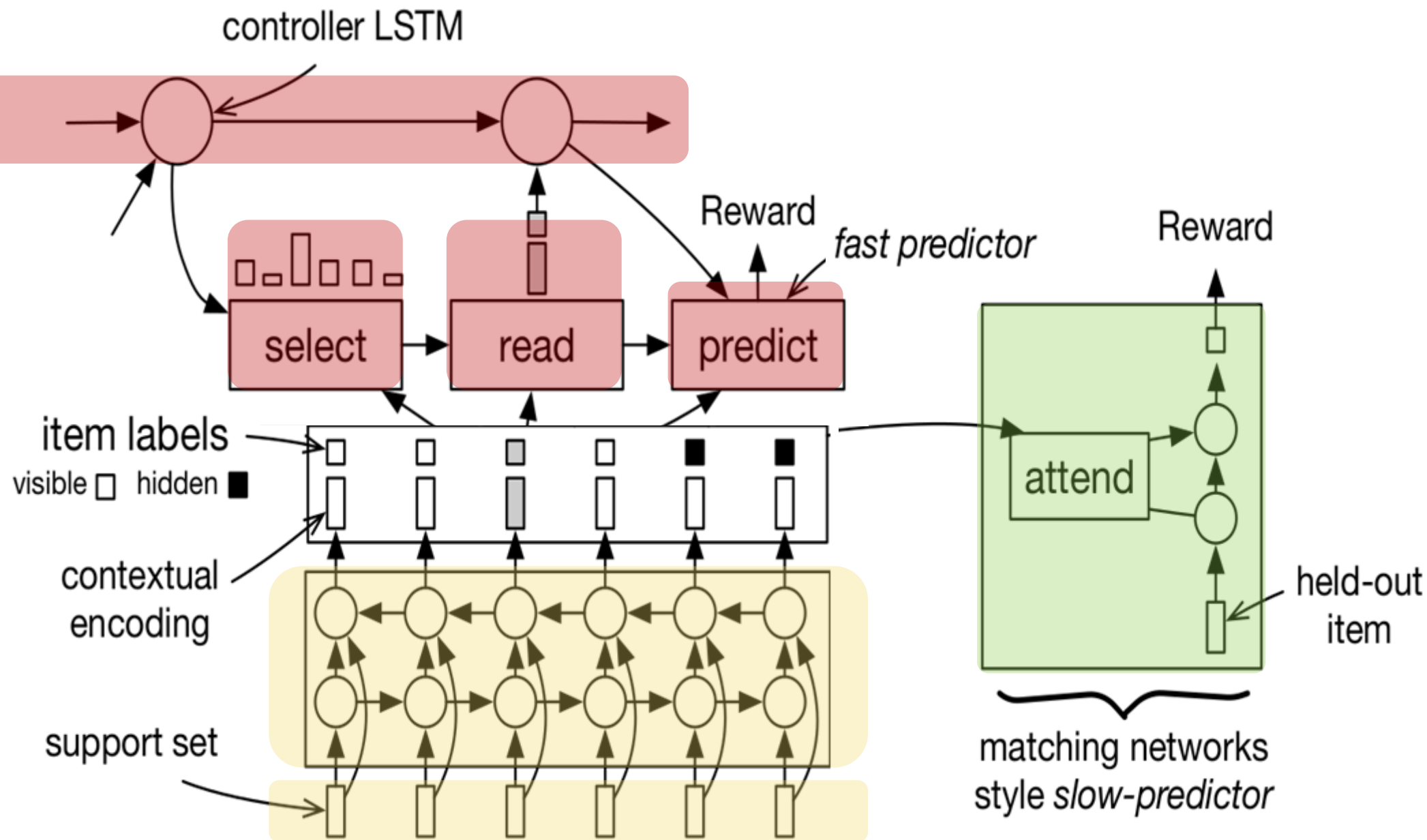
Solution:

- Neural Turing machines (NTM) (Graves, Wayne, and Danihelka, 2014)









$$R(E, S_t, h_t) = \sum_{(\hat{x}, \hat{y}) \in E} \log p(\hat{y} | \hat{x}, h_t, S_t)$$

$$\underset{\theta}{\text{maximize}} \mathbb{E}_{(S, E) \sim \mathcal{D}} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\pi(S, E)} \left[\sum_{t=1}^T R(E, S_t, h_t) \right] \right]$$

for $t = 1 \dots T$ **do**

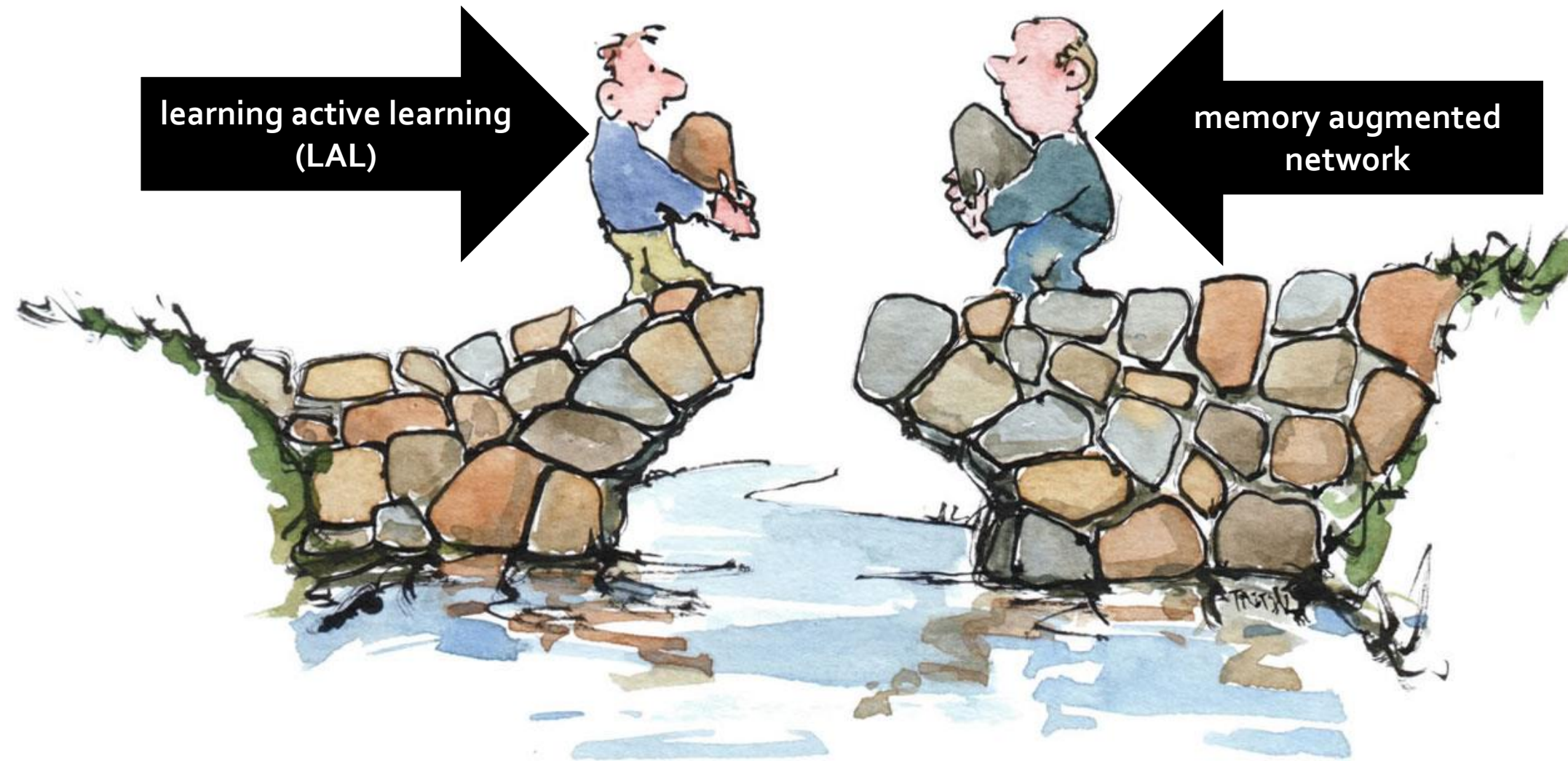
$i \leftarrow \text{SELECT}(S_{t-1}^u, S_{t-1}^k, h_{t-1})$

$h_t \leftarrow \text{UPDATE}(h_{t-1}, x_i, y_i)$

$S_t^k \leftarrow S_{t-1}^{k-1} \cup (x_i, y_i), S_t^u \leftarrow S_{t-1}^{u-1} / (x_i, .)$

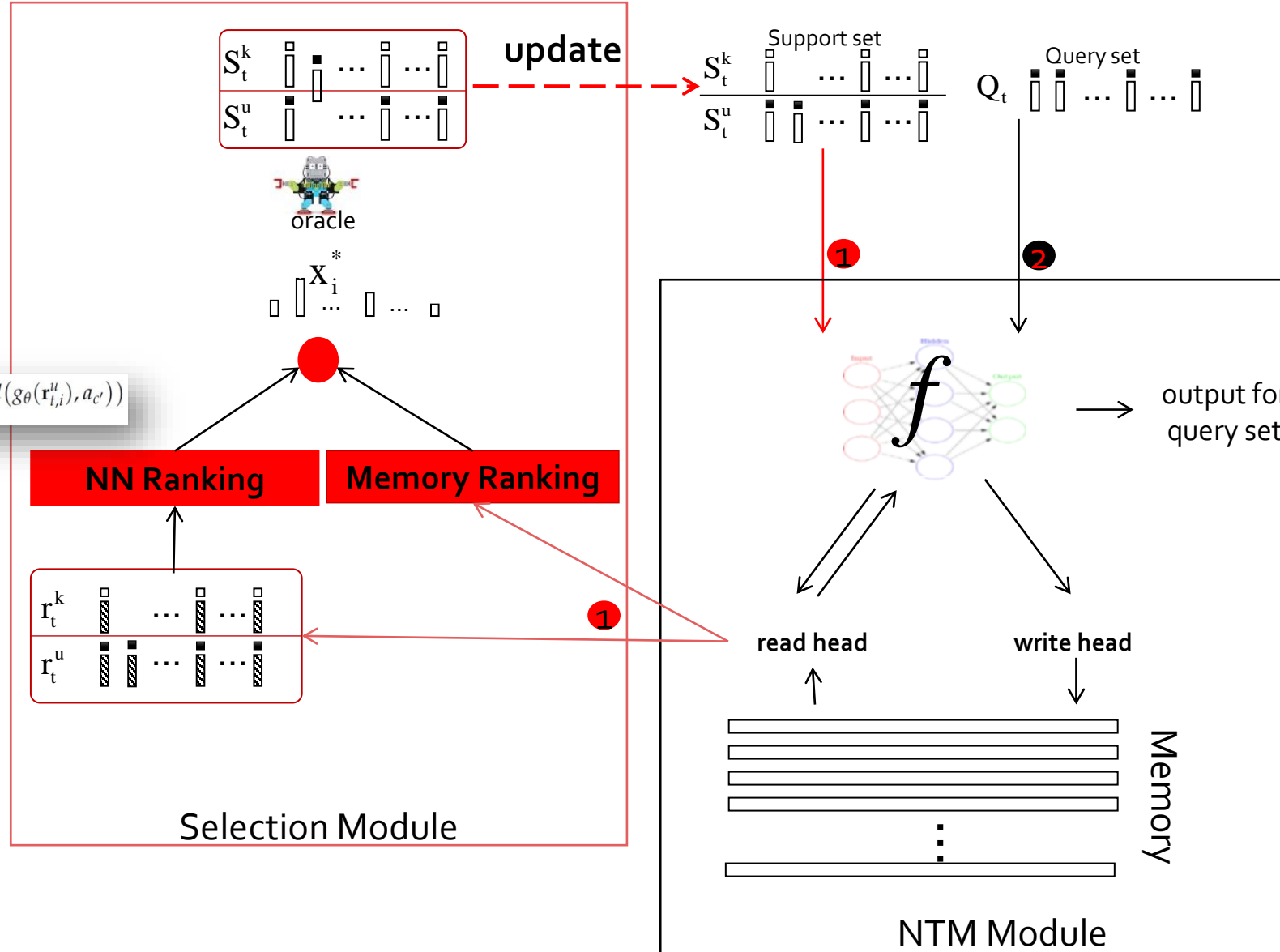
$L_t^S \leftarrow \text{FAST-Pred}(S, S_t^u, S_t^k, h_t)$

$L_T^E \leftarrow \text{SLOW-Pred}(E, S_T^u, S_T^k, h_T)$



By Frits Ahlefeldt

$$\mathcal{L}_\theta = \exp(d(g_\theta(\mathbf{r}_{t,i}^u), a_c)) + \log \sum_{c'} (\exp(-d(g_\theta(\mathbf{r}_{t,i}^u), a_{c'})))$$



read

$$d_{t,i} = d(k_{t,i}, M_t) = \frac{k_{t,i} \cdot M_t}{||k_{t,i}|| \cdot ||M_t||}$$

$$R_t^i = \frac{\exp(k_{t,i})}{\sum_j \exp(k_{t,j})}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{t,i} \leftarrow \sum_i \mathbf{w}_t^r(i) \mathcal{M}_t(i)$$

write

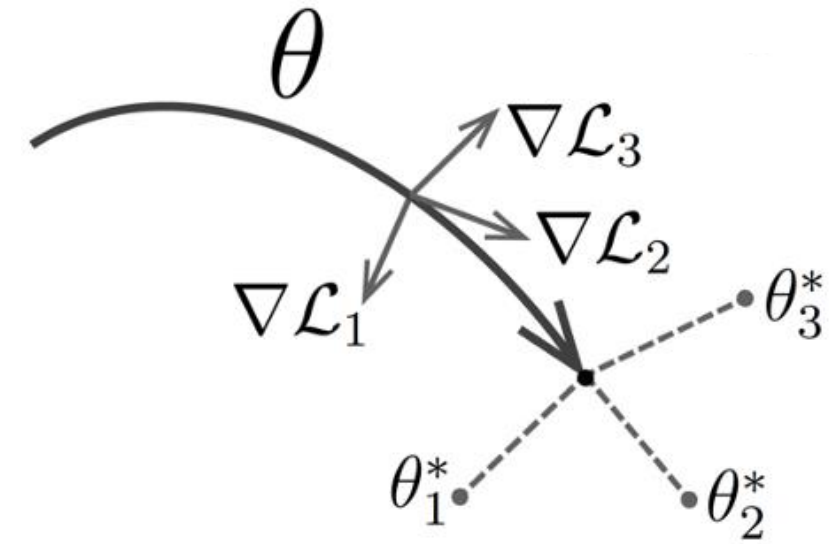
$$\mathbf{w}_t^r(i) \leftarrow \frac{\exp(d(k_{t,i}, \mathcal{M}_t(i)))}{\sum_j \exp(d(k_{t,i}, \mathcal{M}_t(j)))}$$

Algorithm 2 MAML's algorithm proposed in (Finn, Abbeel, and Levine, 2017)

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1: while not convergence do                                ▷ We have the answer if r is 0
2:   Randomly select  $N$  number of tasks  $\mathcal{T}_N$  from all tasks
3:   for  $\mathcal{T}_i \in \mathcal{T}_s$  do
4:      $D_{base} \leftarrow \{S, E\}$  sample  $k$  labeled and  $n$  unlabeled examples from  $N$  classes
5:      $G_{base} \leftarrow \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{T_i}(f_{\theta})$                 ▷ Compute gradient of  $\mathcal{L}$  at base level using  $D_{base}$ 
6:      $\theta'_i \leftarrow \theta - \alpha G_{base}$                     ▷ Update Parameters
7:      $D_{meta}^t \leftarrow \{S, E\}$  sample examples for meta training
8:   endfor
9:    $G_{meta} \leftarrow \nabla_{\theta} \sum_{\mathcal{T}_i \sim \mathcal{T}_s} \mathcal{L}_{T_i}(f_{\theta'_i})$     ▷ Compute meta-gradient using  $D_{meta}$ 
10:   $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \beta G_{meta}$                             ▷ Update meta-parameters
11: endwhile

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Algorithm 3 Adapted MAML's algorithm for memory augmented learning active learning (changes are in red color line)

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14:   $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \beta G_{meta}$  ▷ Update meta-parameters
15: endwhile

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1. Memory augmented learning active learning (LAL) for fast adaptation
2. Two levels of gradient for memory augmented neural network

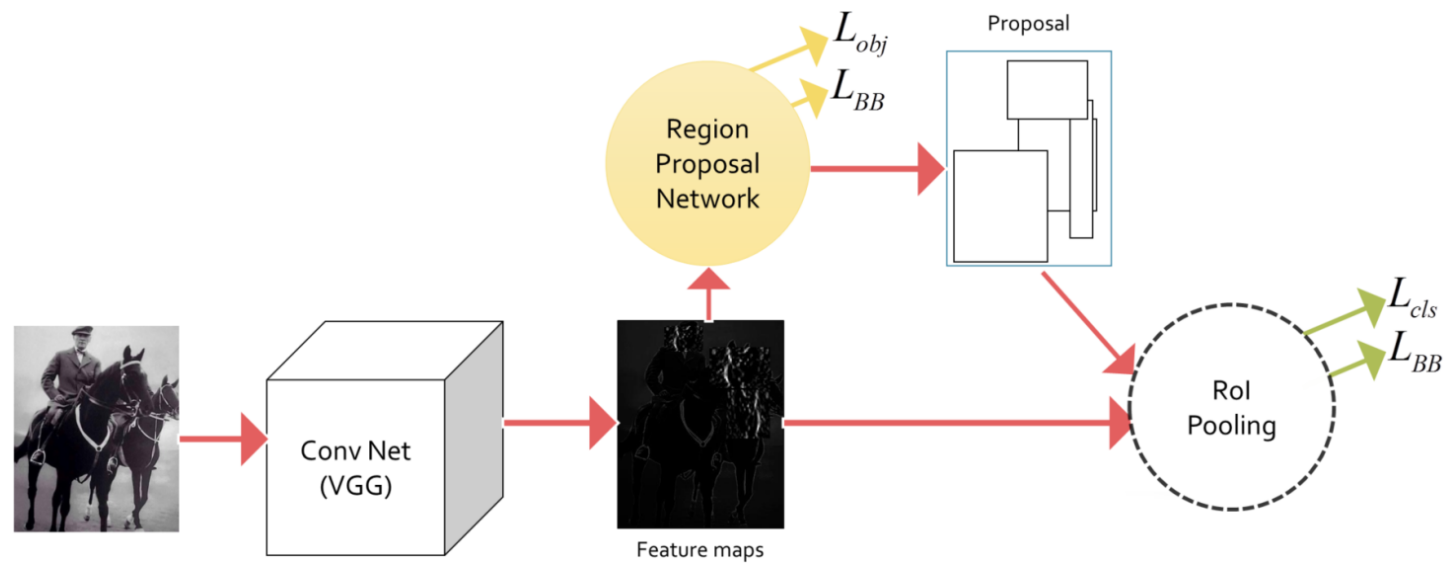
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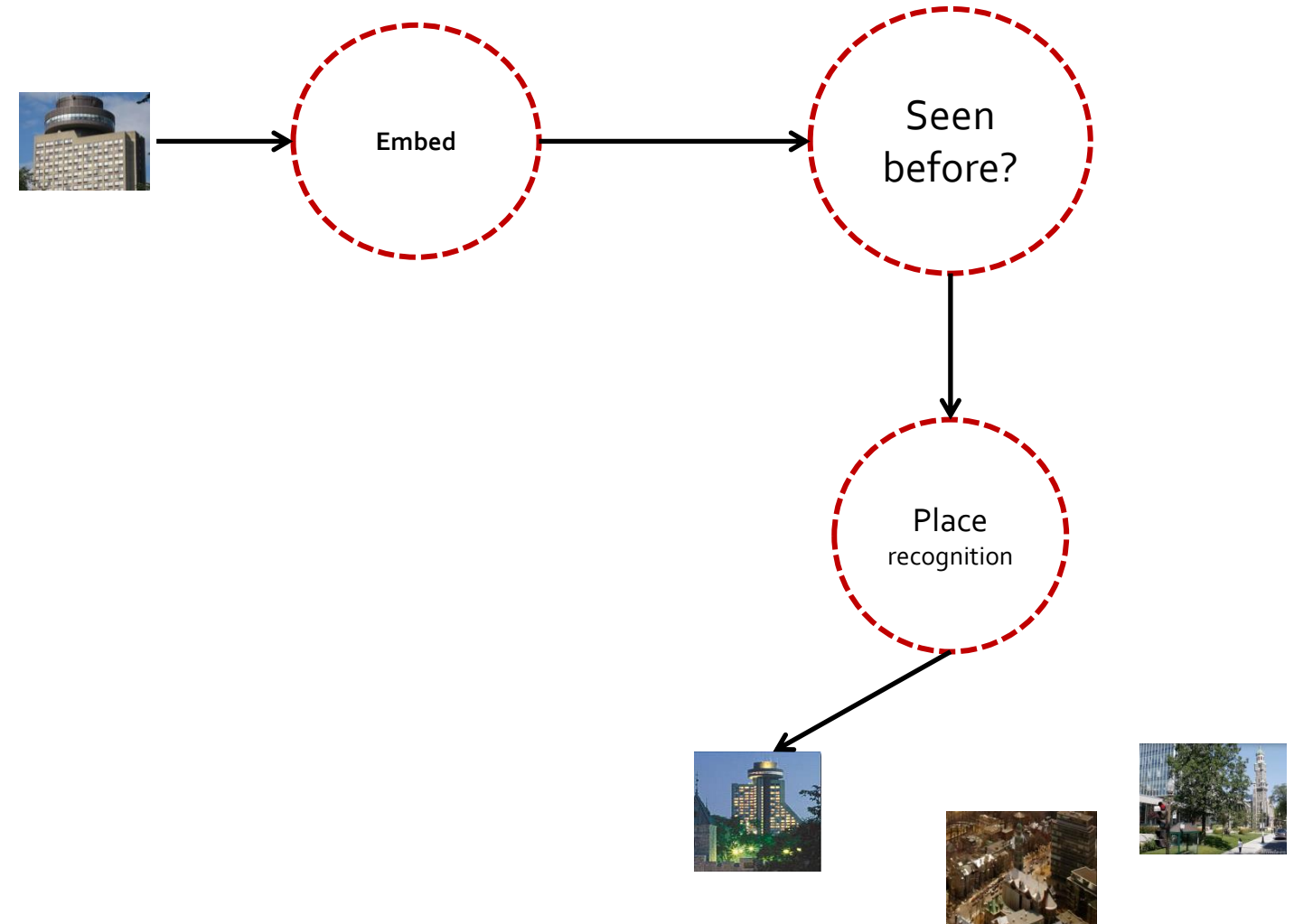
Motivation

Extend interactive fast adaptation

object detection



visual place recognition



Direction I)

k-shot object recognition

Direction II)

k-shot based active learning for visual place recognition

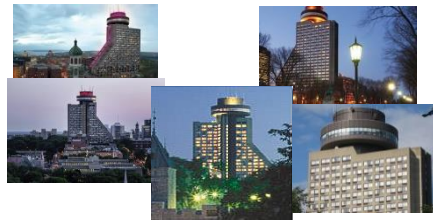
Visual Place Recognition

Learning visual learning



Place Recognizer

Hôtel Le Concorde



street 415 QC-175



????

Labeled Data

Église Saint-Coeur-de-Marie

oracle

Conclusion

- cVAE-GAN is extendable to meta-learning framework
- k-plus learning with realistic data augmentation has advantages
- memory augmented networks for learning active learning (LAL)
with two level of gradient
- quick adaptation for real world problem is necessary

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