

BIG DATA ANALYSIS 2019

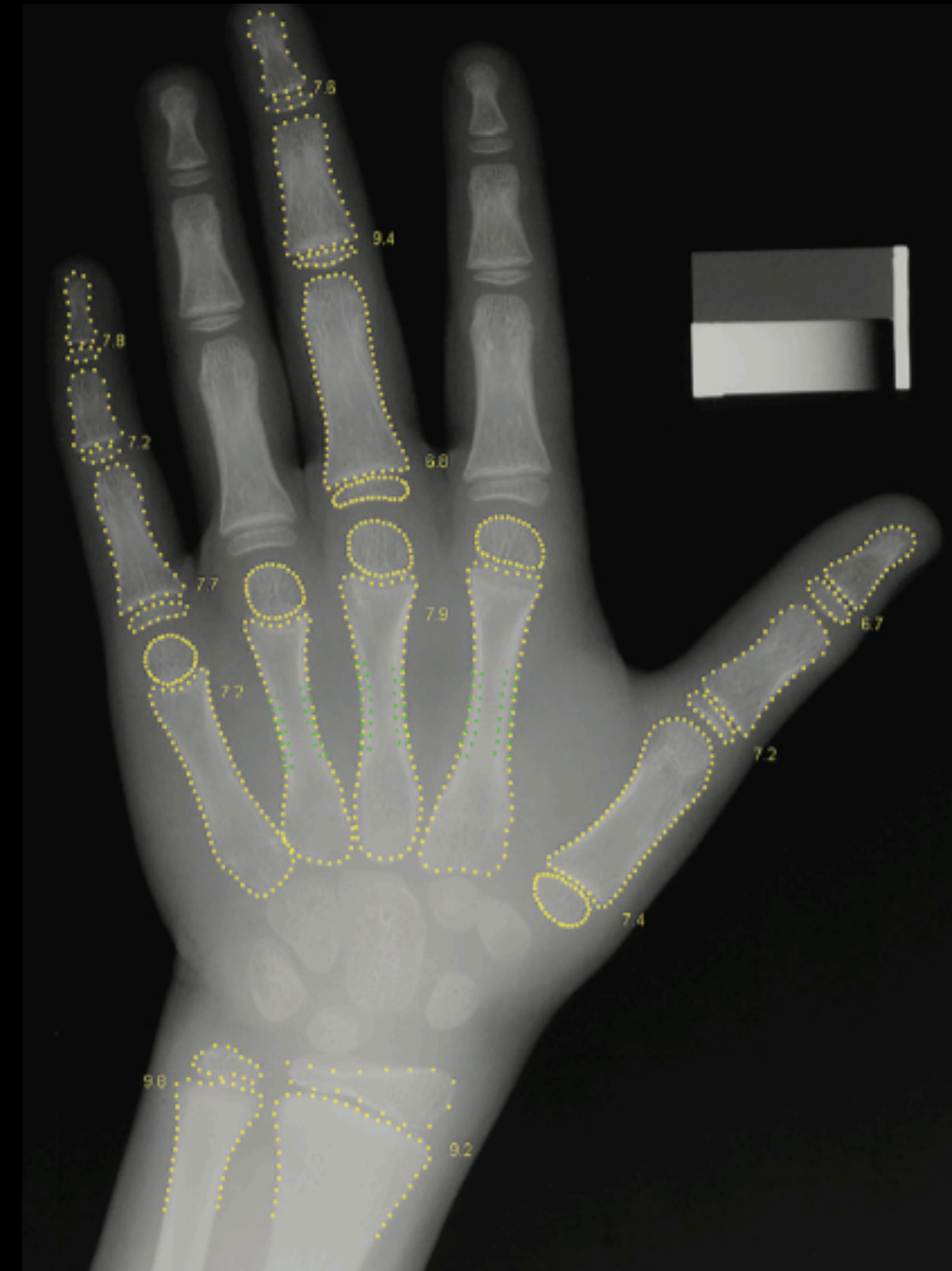
# PREDICTING BONE AGE FROM X-RAY IMAGES

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# PROBLEM

- Medical images low hanging fruit for ML
- Machines might be able to better classify images





“If you work as a radiologist you're like the coyote that's already over the edge of the cliff but hasn't yet looked down so it doesn't realize there's no ground underneath him.”

—PROF. GEOFFREY HINTON



# BIG F\*#K'IN DATA

- Images in full resolution ~10 GB
- Difficult to fit in RAM
- Need GPU for training
- I.e. you're not gonna use your laptop
- Solution:
  - Kaggle Kernels; GPU, commit history
  - Google Colab; GPU, 8-core TPU



<https://www.amazon.com/Sarcasm-Engineer-Profession-Typography-Coffee/dp/B077L52266>

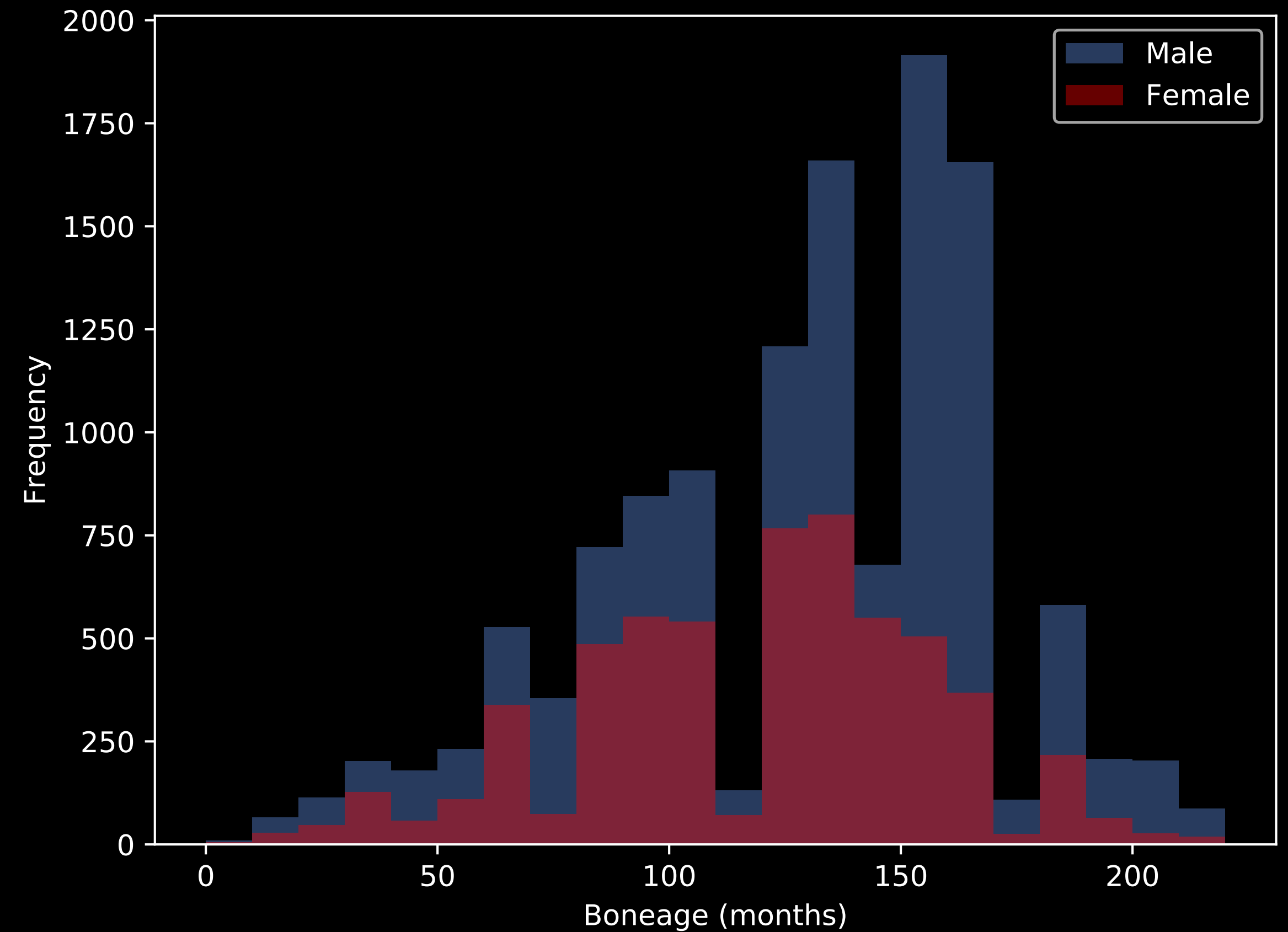
# RSNA BONE AGE CHALLENGE

- ~12600 X-ray images
- Data given as (plus files) —>
- Radiologists MAE ~7 months
- Winners MAE ~4 months

id	boneage	male
1377	180	False
1378	12	False
1379	94	False
1380	120	True
1381	82	False
1382	138	True
1383	150	True
1384	156	True

# DISTRIBUTION

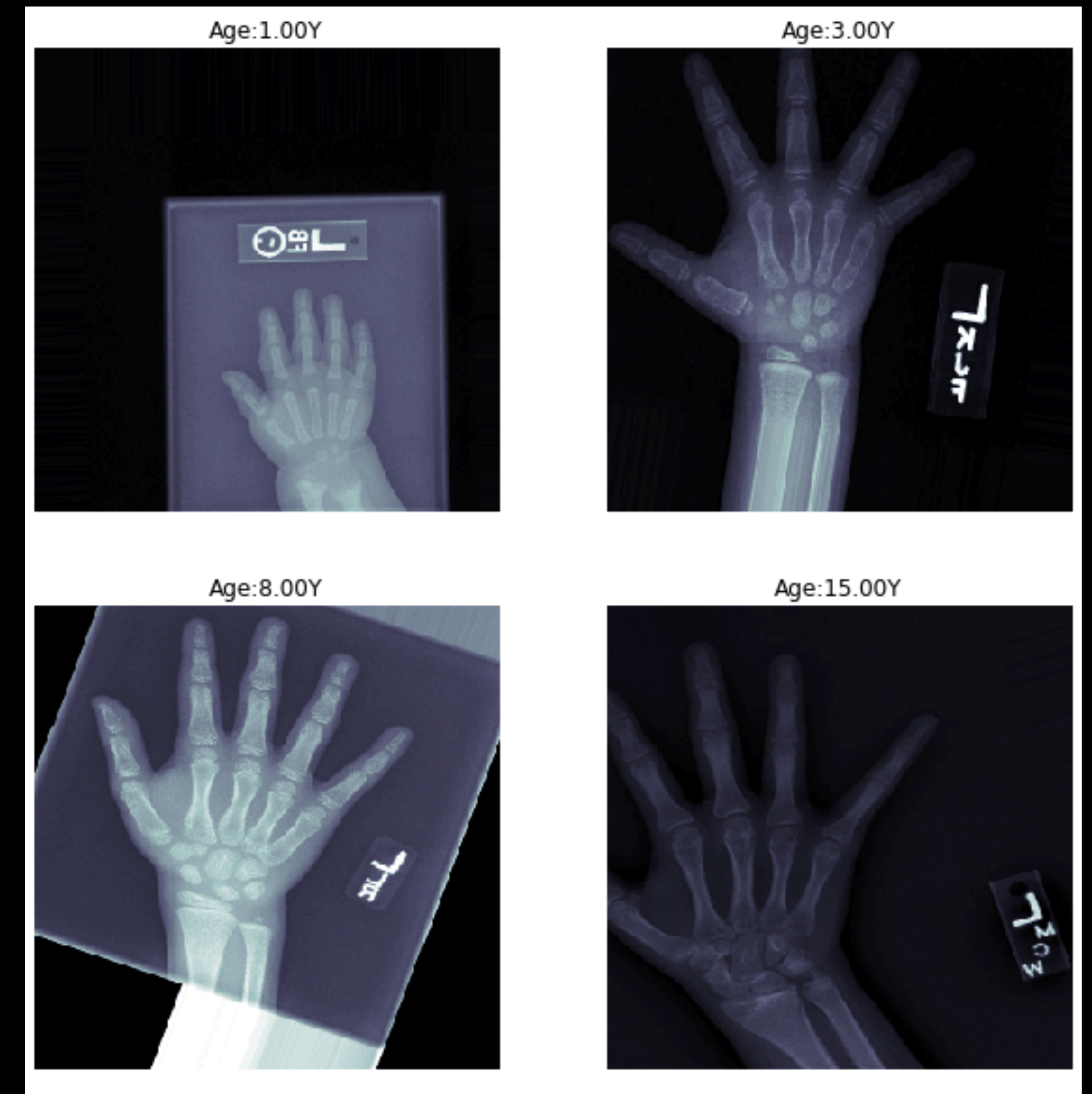
- 18.2% more data for male than female
- Age ranges randomly underrepresented (data is not beautiful)
- Splitting strategy:
  - Stratify (Validation/Training)
  - Multiple sampling (to achieve uniform distribution also in gender)





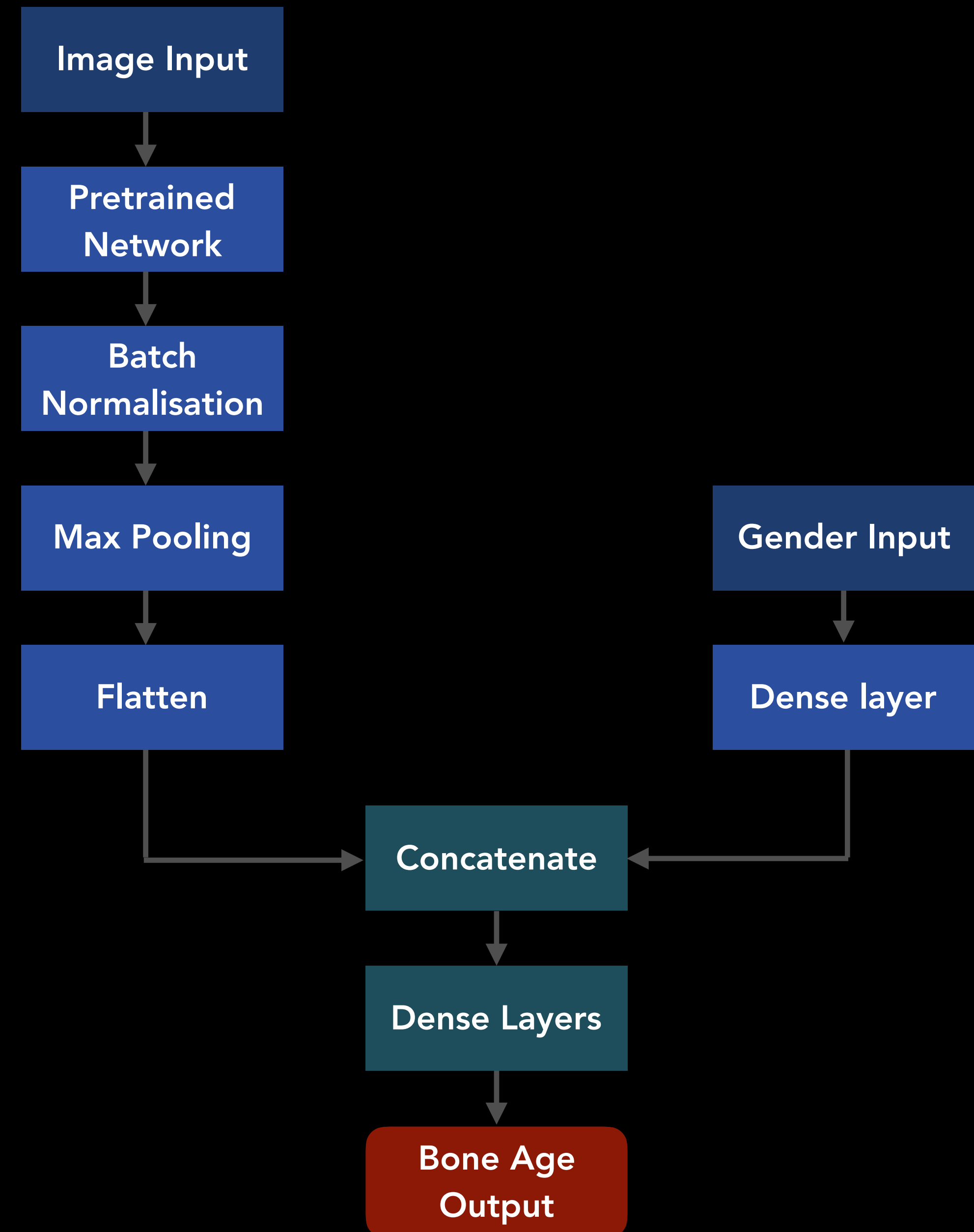
# PROCESSING AND FLOW

- No Pre-processing (data is ugly)
- Transform
  - Rescale (299 by 299)
  - Rotate (20 degrees)
  - Shift (20% of total width and height)
  - Zoom (0.8-1.2x)
  - Flip (horizontal)
  - Shear (0.2 degrees)
- Hard to fit all images in RAM
  - Use flow; NN is fed images a batch at a time
  - Current method takes 10+GB of RAM out of 13GB



# OUR MODEL

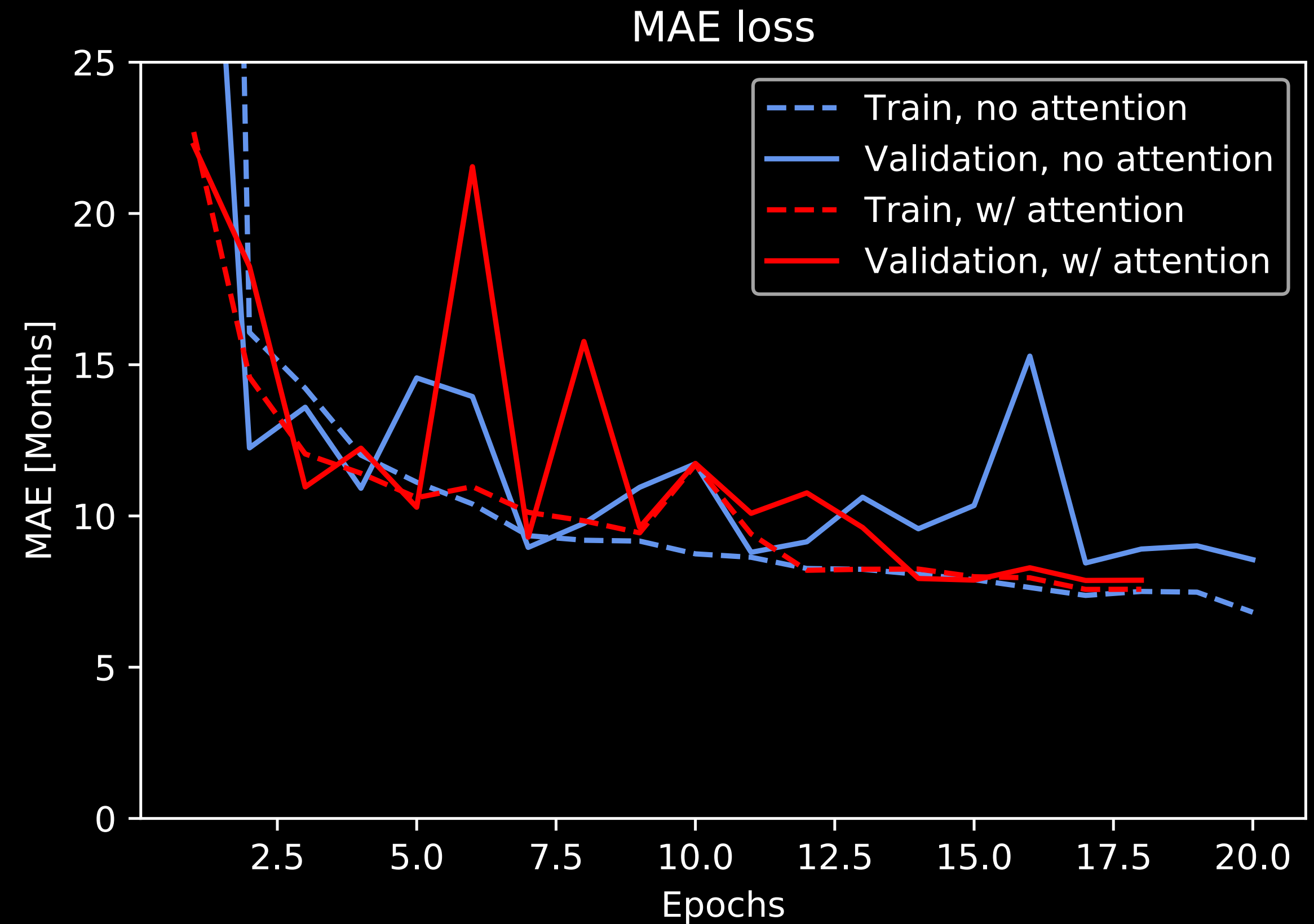
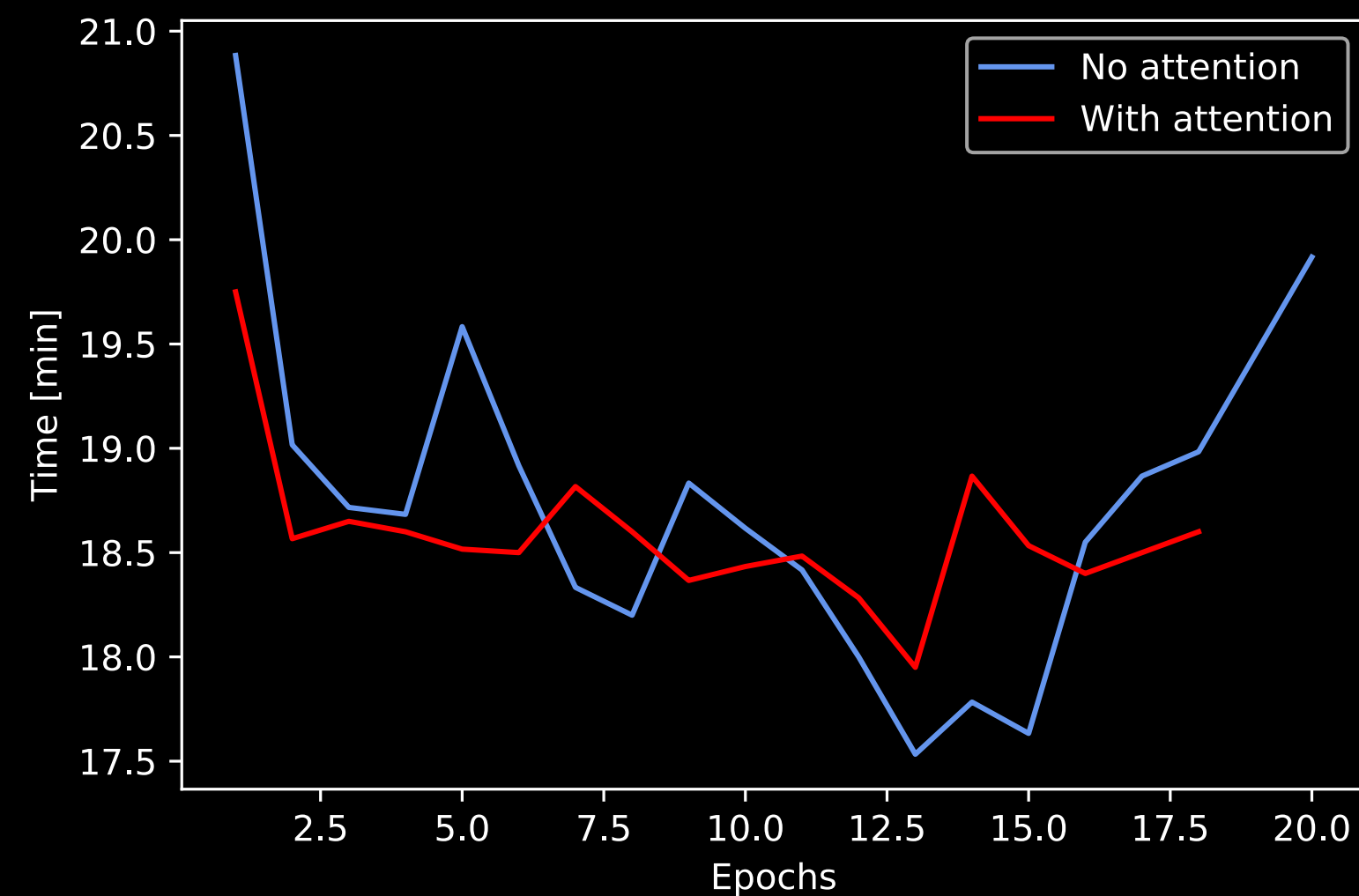
- Convolutional Neural Network
- Multiple inputs
- Using pretrained network
- Attention





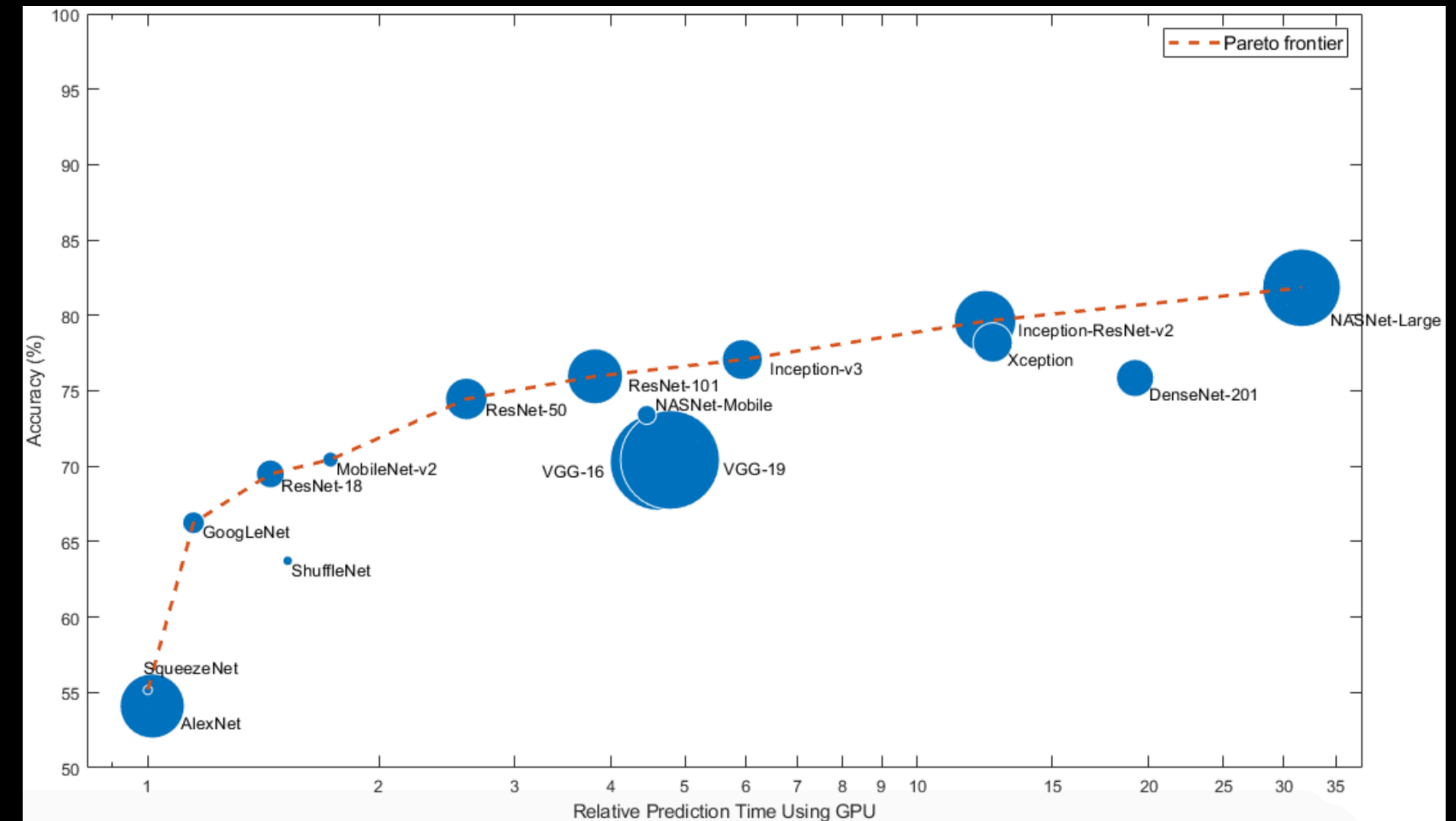
# ATTENTION

- Focus on most important parts
- Inspiration from the human vision
- Light attention implementation
- Not faster, not performing better



# PRE-TRAINED MODELS

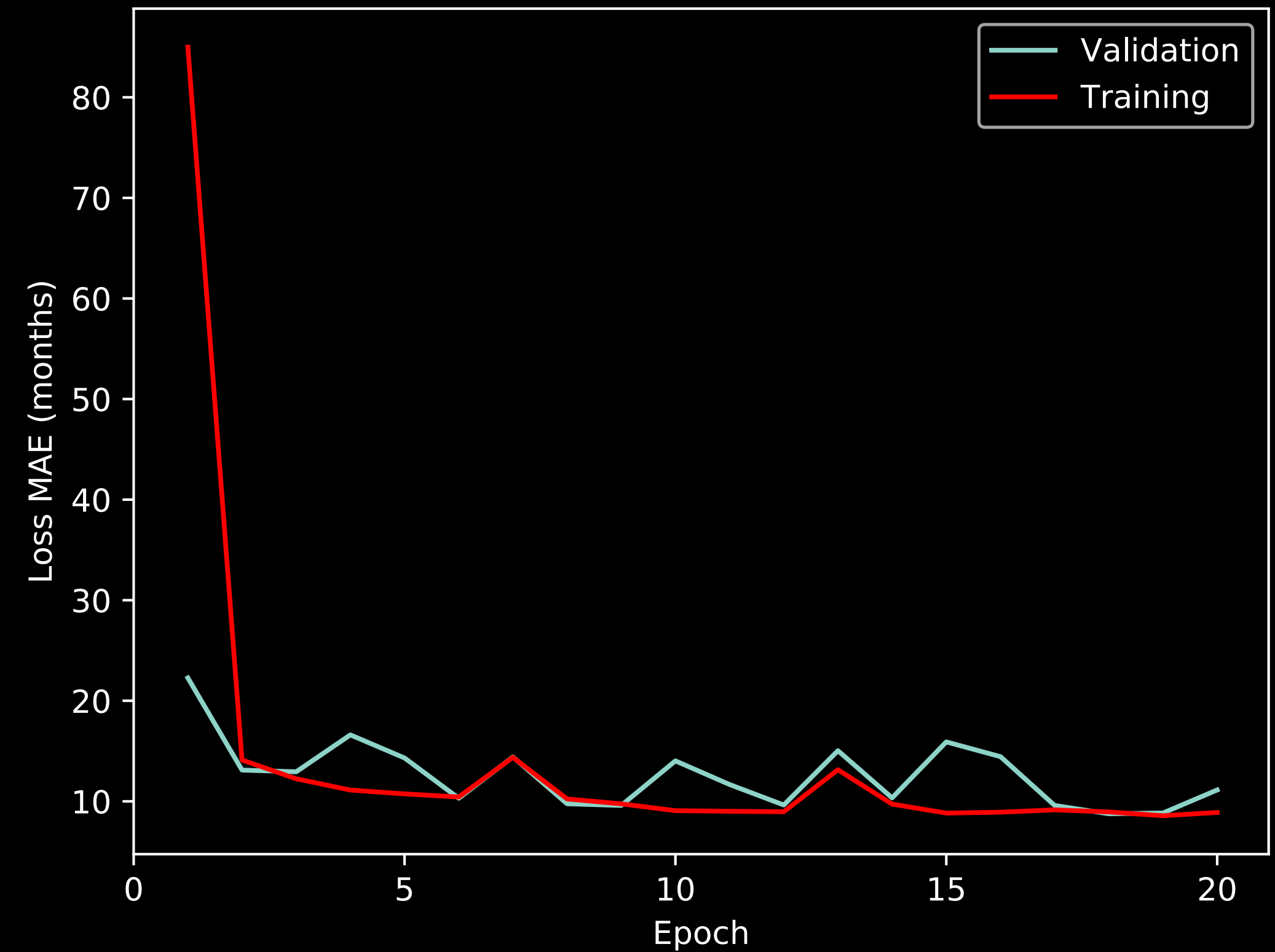
- Pre-trained for classification between 1000 objects in images
- Also offers preset filters without using trained weights
- Inception V3 (23.9 million parameters): Winner's pick
- VGG19 (144 million parameters): Largest is not always the best
- Xception (22.9 million parameters): our best result



<https://www.mathworks.com/help/deeplearning/ug/pretrained-convolutional-neural-networks.html>

# RESULTS

- Best result: MAE ~7 months
- No attention
- Gender as secondary input
- Xception
- Two dense layers





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