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Multi-Cell Multi-Task Convolutional Neural Networks for Diabetic Retinopathy Grading

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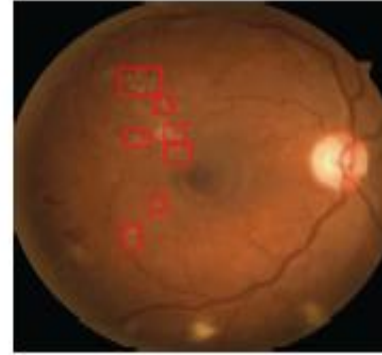
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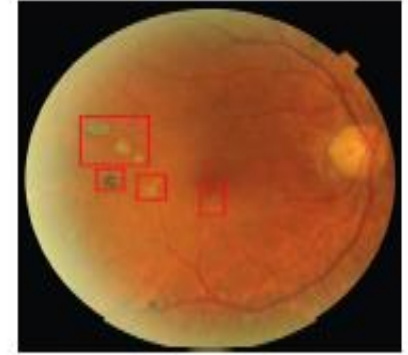
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➤ **Problem :**

- ◆ Label: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4
- ◆ Larger number means the severity of the disease becomes more significant

➤ **Task :**

- ◆ Input: Image
- ◆ *Output*: Its grade

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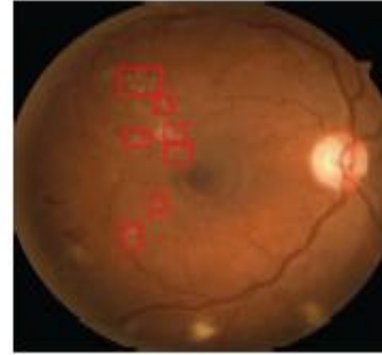
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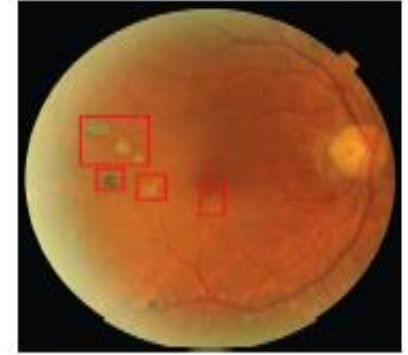
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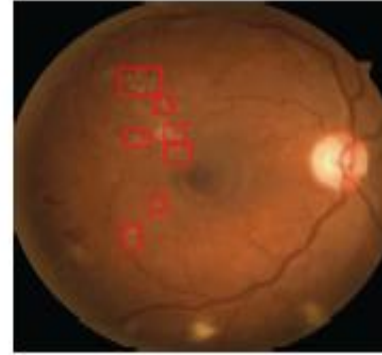
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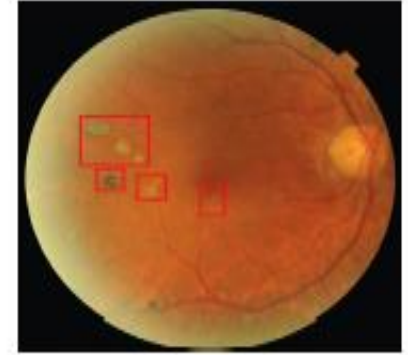
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Diabetic Retinopathy Grading :

➤ **Contribution :**

- ◆ We propose a **Multi-Task Learning** strategy to simultaneously improves the classification accuracy and discrepancy between ground-truth and predicted label.
- ◆ We propose a **Multi-Cell CNN architecture** which not only accelerates the training procedure, but also improves the classification accuracy.
- ◆ Experimental results validate the effectiveness of our method. Further, our solution can be readily integrated with many other existing CNN based DR image diagnosis and other disease diagnosis.

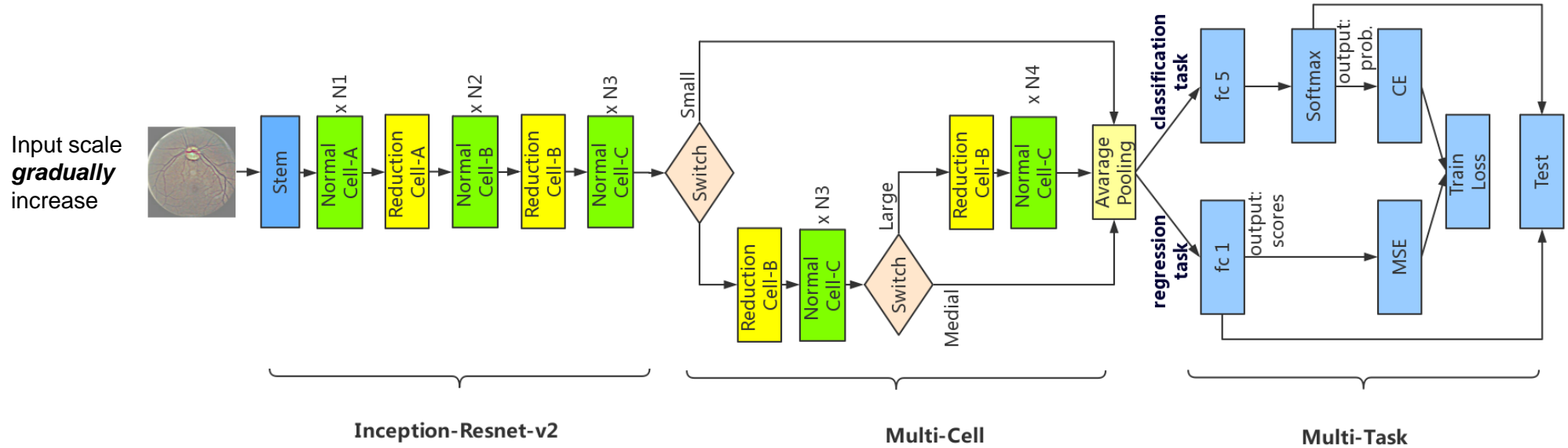


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Multi-Cell Multi-Task Convolutional Neural Networks :



➤ Overall :

- ◆ The overall network architecture of our M²CNN
- ◆ Inception-Resnet-v2 is proposed in [1]

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➤ Multi-Task Learning :

- ◆ Softmax loss doesn't consider the relationships of DR images with different stages:

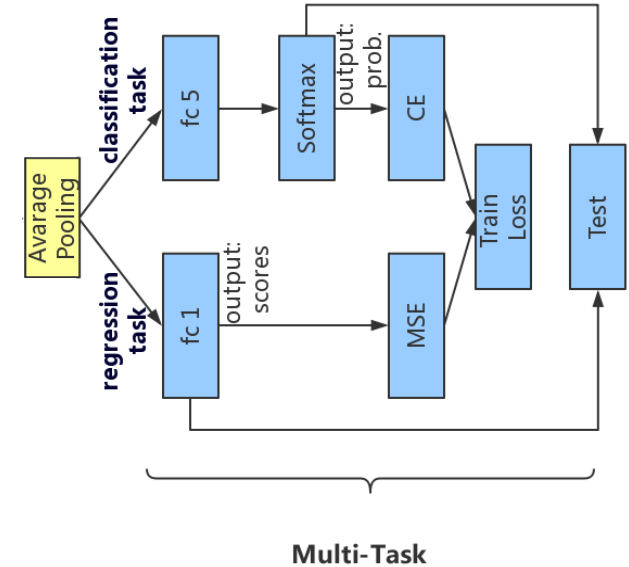
$$L_1 = -\frac{1}{m} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k 1\{y^{(i)} = j\} \log(\text{Prob}_{ij}) \right]$$

- ◆ Mean Square Error (MSE) loss is not robust for classification task:

$$L_2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (y - y^{(i)})^2$$

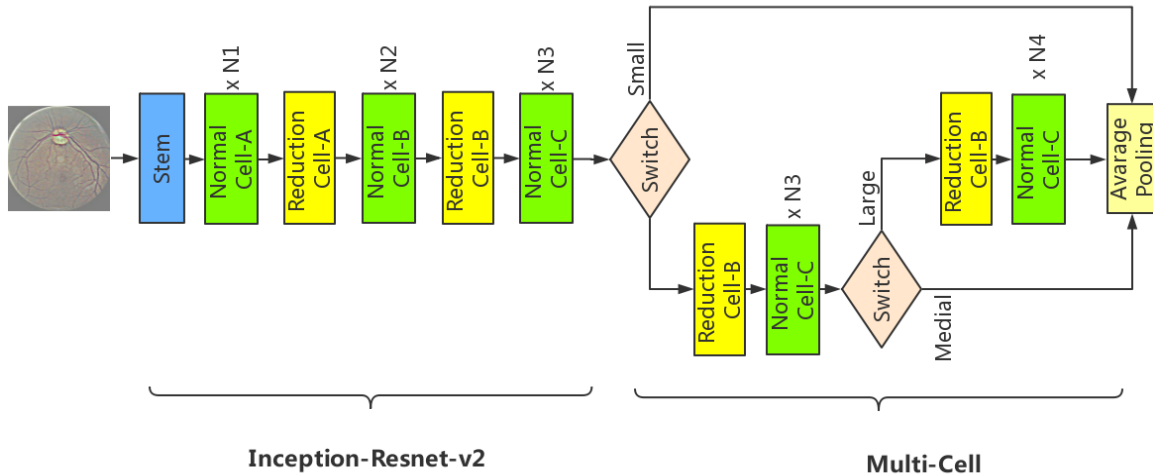
- ◆ Multi-task loss:

$$L = L_1 + L_2$$



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Multi-Cell Multi-Task Convolutional Neural Networks :



input image	224×224	448×448	720×720
before switch	5×5	12×12	21×21
after multi-cell	5×5	5×5	4×4

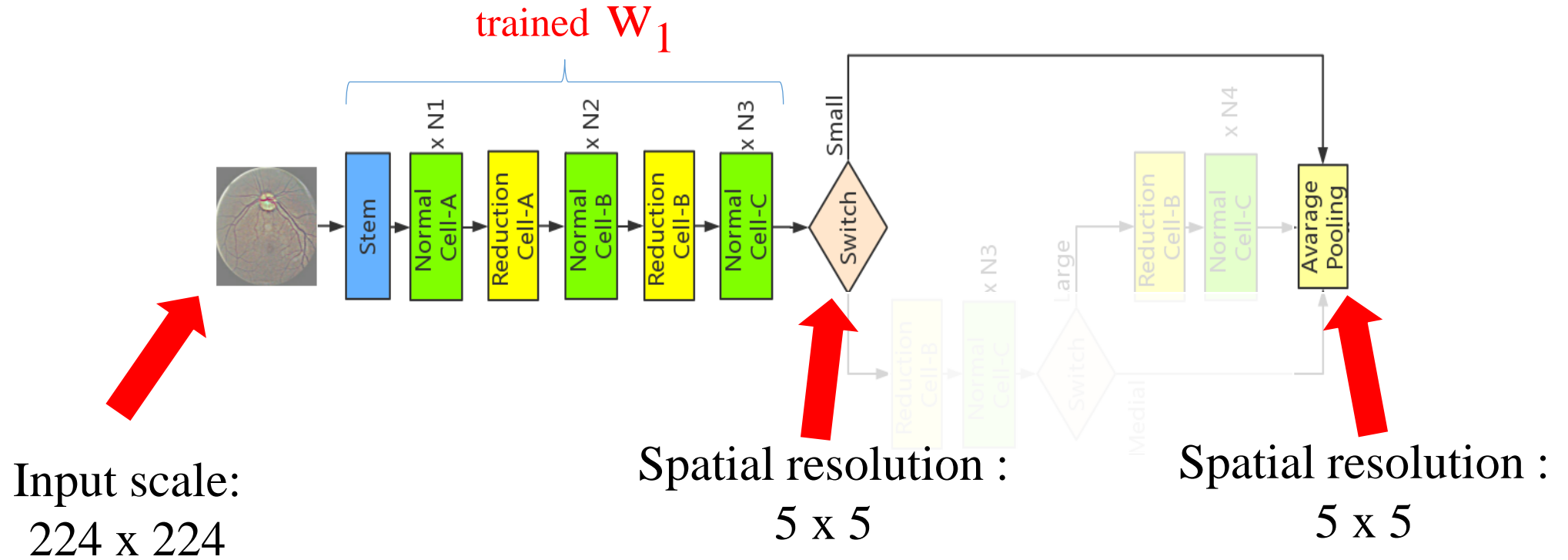
The spatial resolution of input image and some feature map

➤ Multi-Cell Architecture :

- ◆ **Small resolution** image often leads to information loss especially when the lesion is small
- ◆ **Large resolution** image will introduce more computational costs and lead to the gradient vanishing/exploding problem in optimization
- ◆ **Note:** Multi-Cell Architecture *gradually increase* the depth of network architecture and the resolution of images
- ◆ **Note:** The architecture of **Normal Cell-C** and **Reduction Cell-B** in Multi-Cell and Inception-Resnet-v2 are same.

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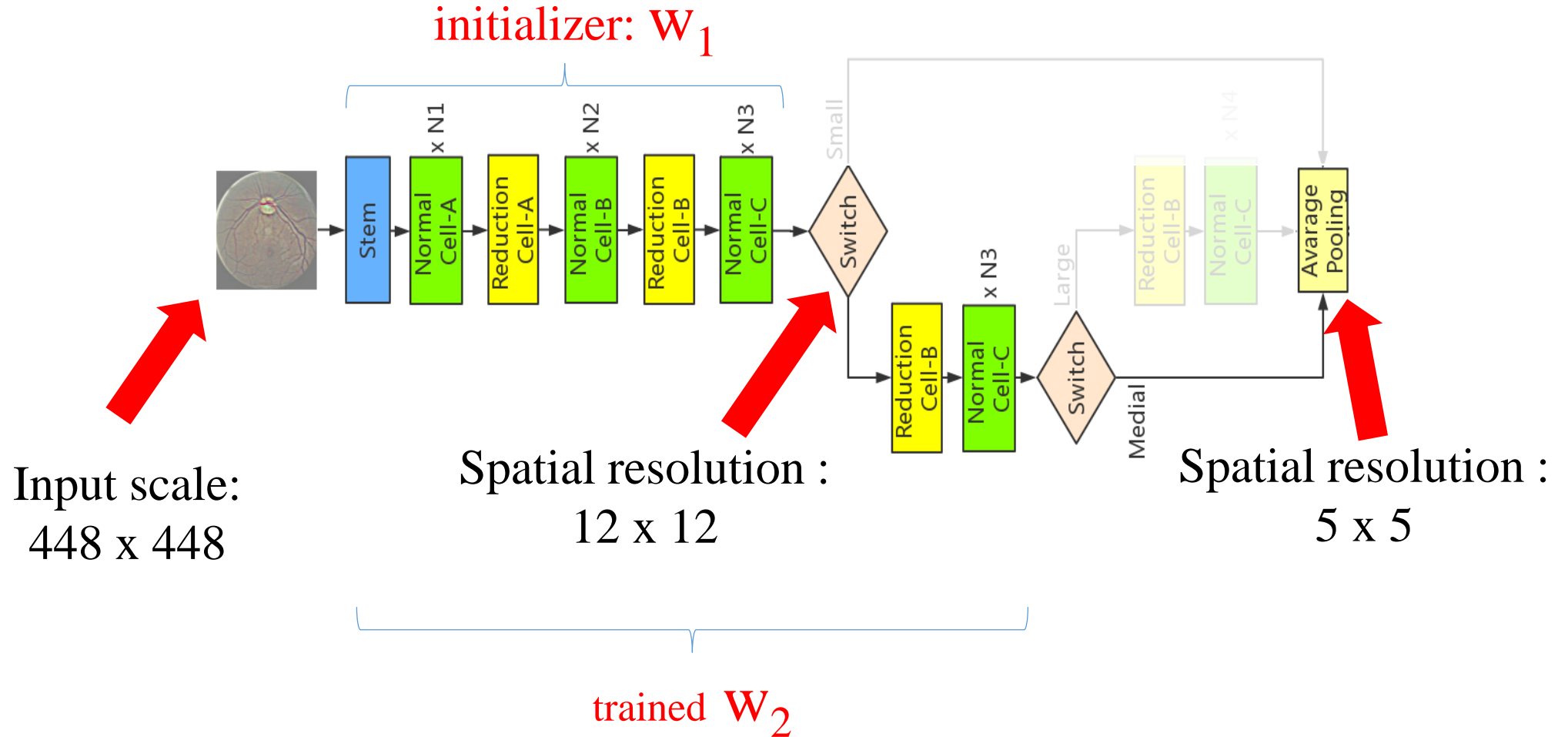
Process of Multi-Cell Architecture : 1-st training stage



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Process of Multi-Cell Architecture : 2-ed training stage

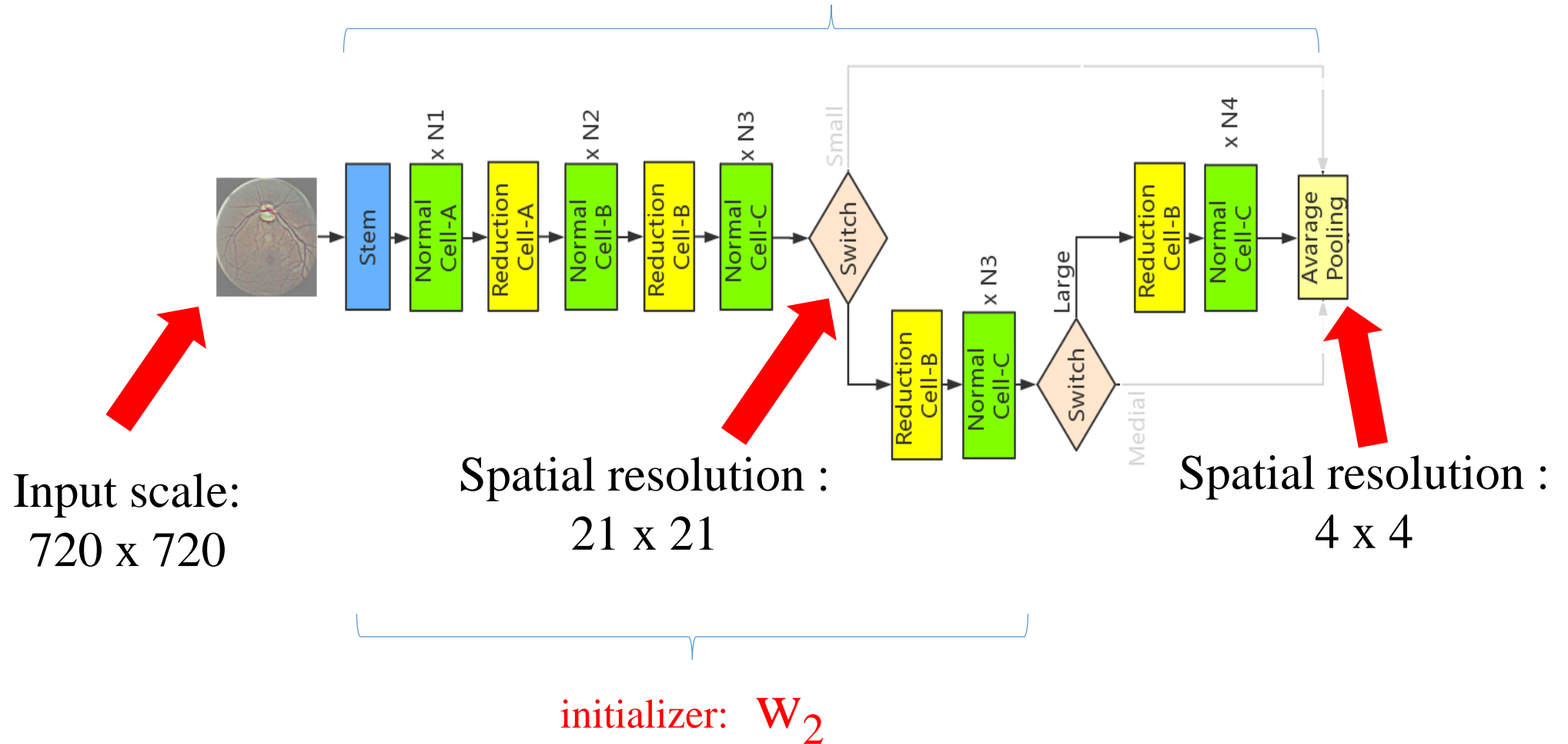


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Process of Multi-Cell Architecture : 3-rd training stage

trained: W_3 (*Training's finished!!!*)



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Experiment



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Experimental Setup

➤ **Dataset:**

Kaggle organized a comprehensive competition in order to design an automated retinal image diagnosis system for DR screening in 2015 [2].

➤ **Evaluation Metric:**

We use the *quadratic weighted kappa* to evaluate our proposed methods, which is used in Kaggle DR Challenge.

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Evaluation of Different Modules

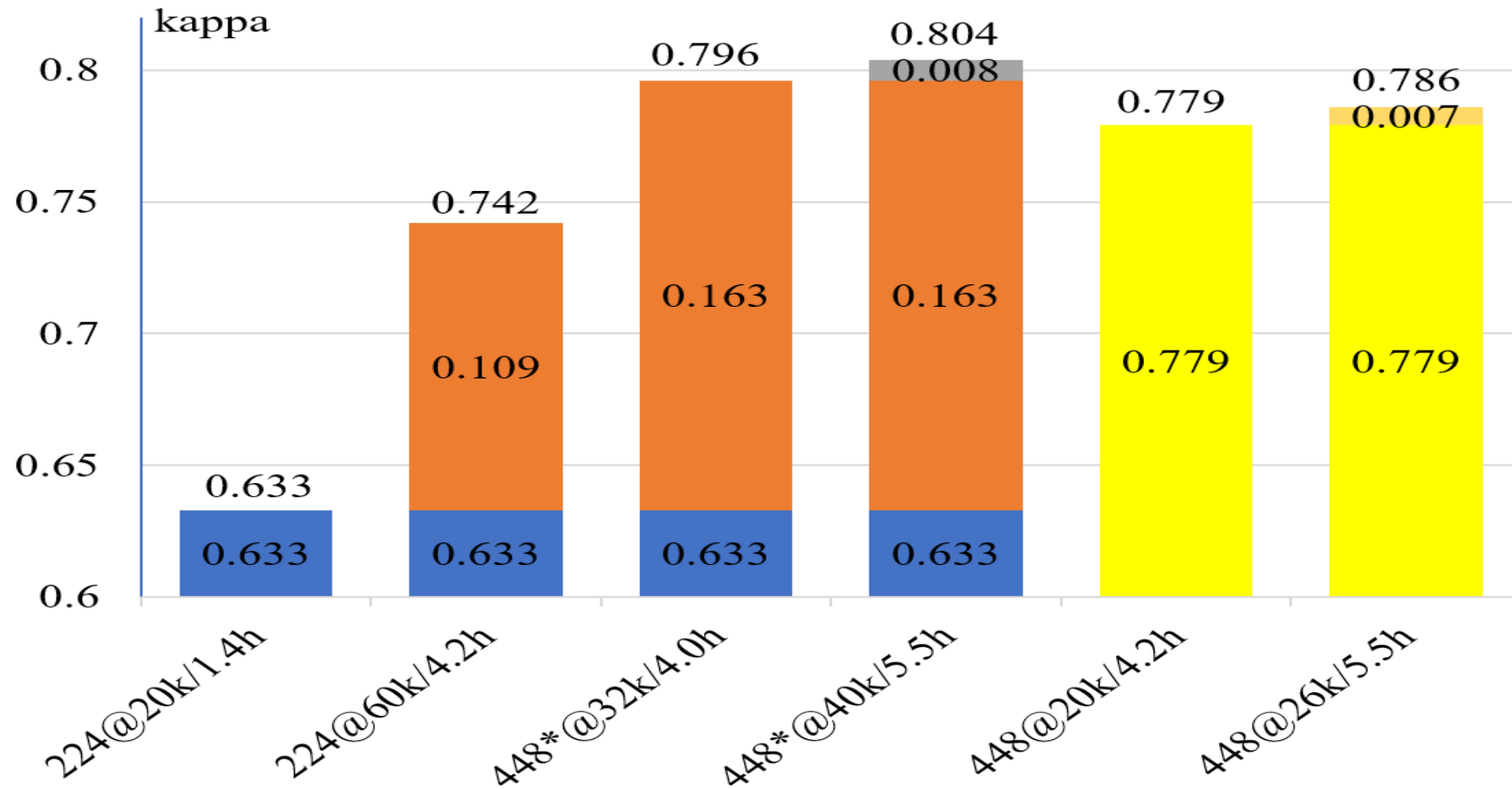
- **Multi-Task Learning Module**
- **Multi-Cell Architecture Module**

Train	MSE	CE	Multi-Task		M ² CNN	
Test	scores	prob.	scores	prob.	scores	prob.
224×224	0.720	0.725	0.742	0.718	-	-
448×448	0.790	0.772	0.812	0.782	0.830	0.812
720×720	0.835	0.751	0.841	0.826	0.844	0.842

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Evaluation of Different Modules

- **Multi-Task Learning Module**
- **Multi-Cell Architecture Module**



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Performance Comparison

Algorithm	val set	test set
Min-pooling	0.860	0.849
Zoom-in-Net [11]	0.857	0.849
o_O	0.854	0.844
Reformed Gamblers	0.851	0.839
M-Net+A-Net [11]	0.837	0.832
BaseNet	0.835	0.828
BaseNet+MT	0.841	0.838
M ² CNN	0.844	0.841

Thanks

Q & A