

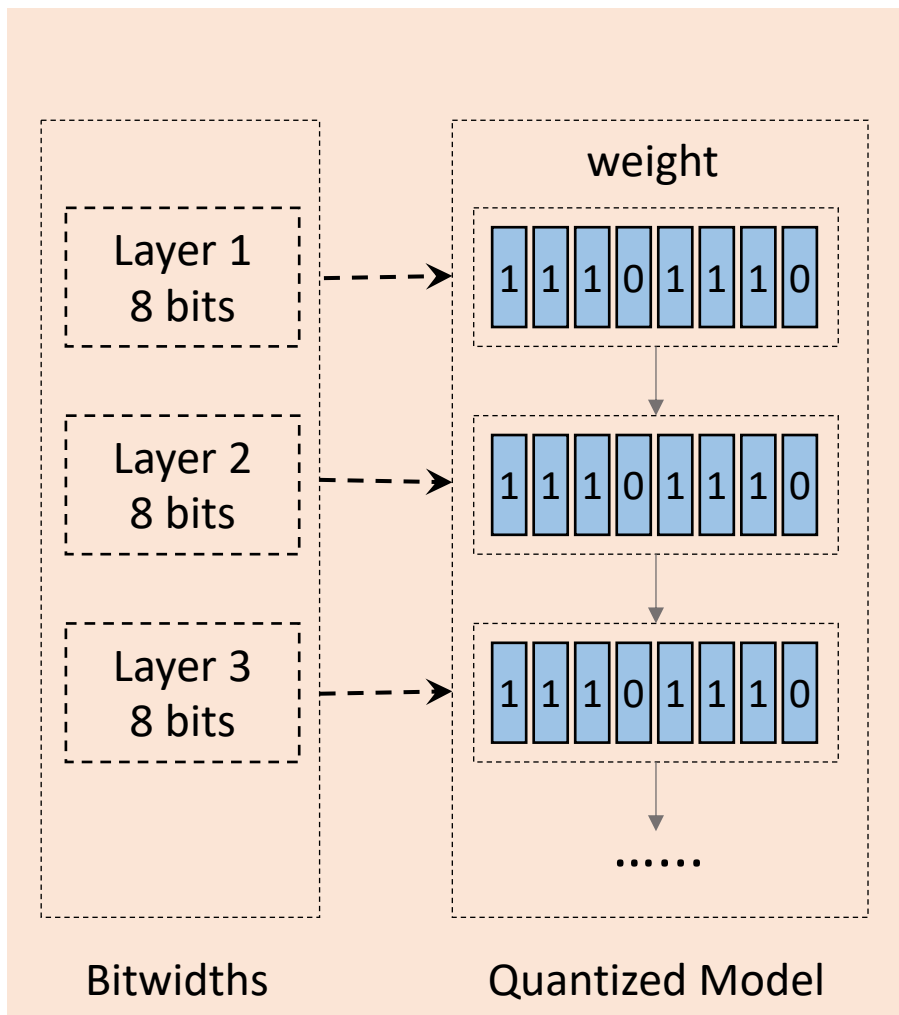
# Simple Augmentation Goes A Long Way: ADRL for DNN Quantization

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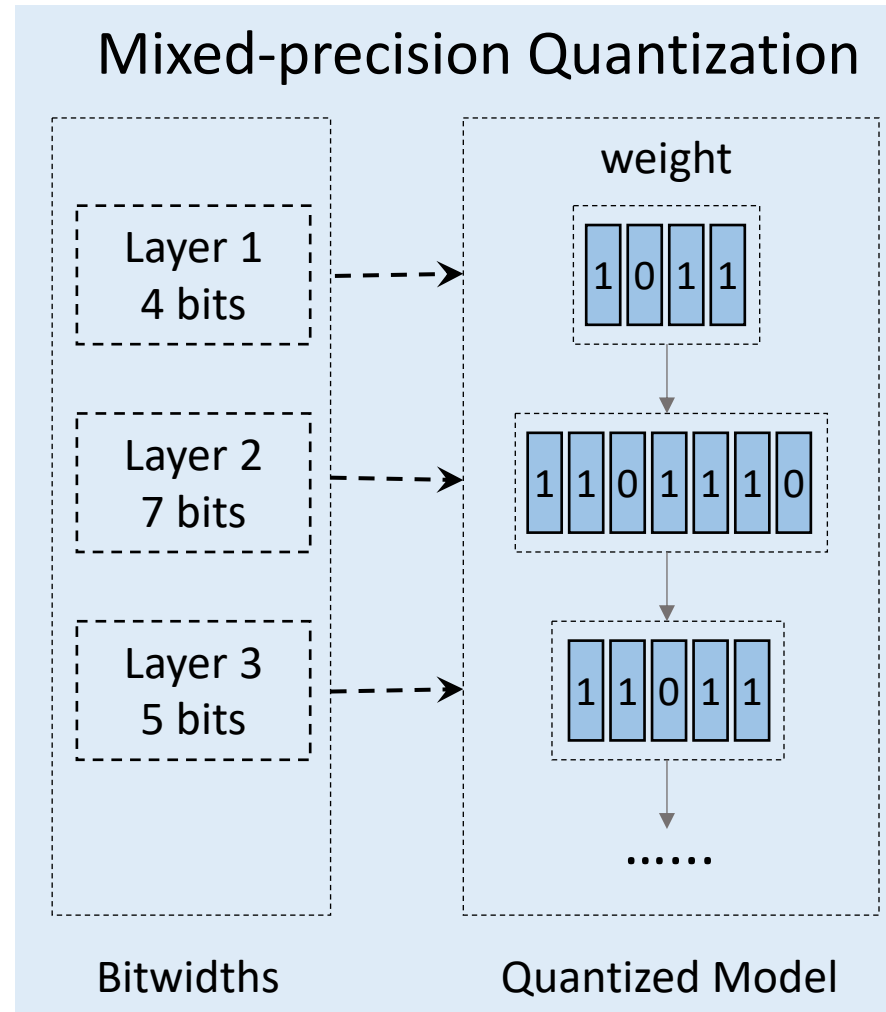
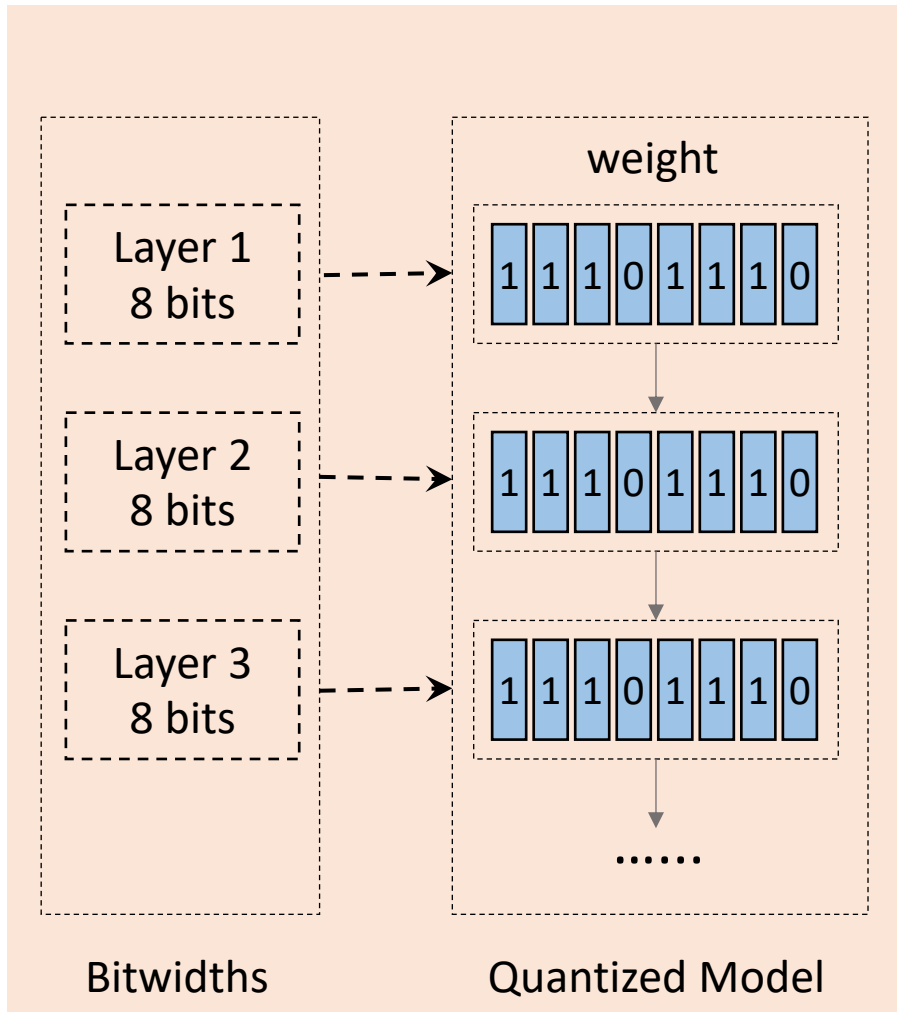
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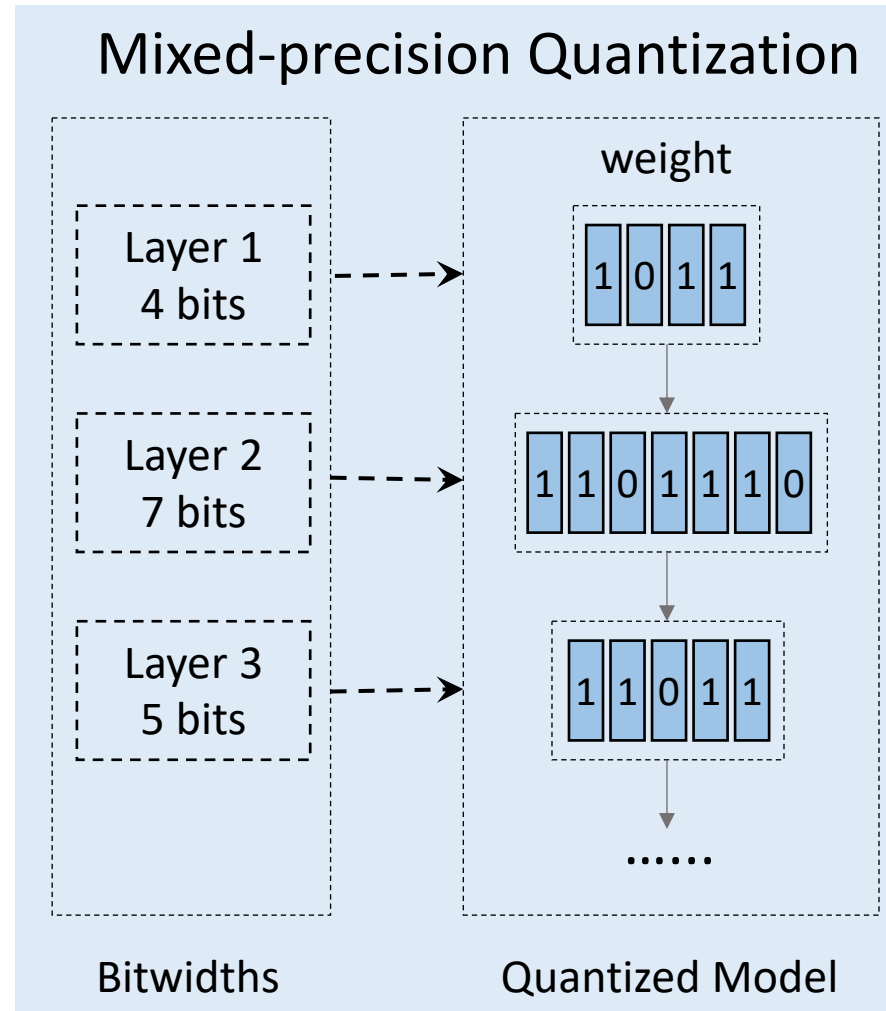
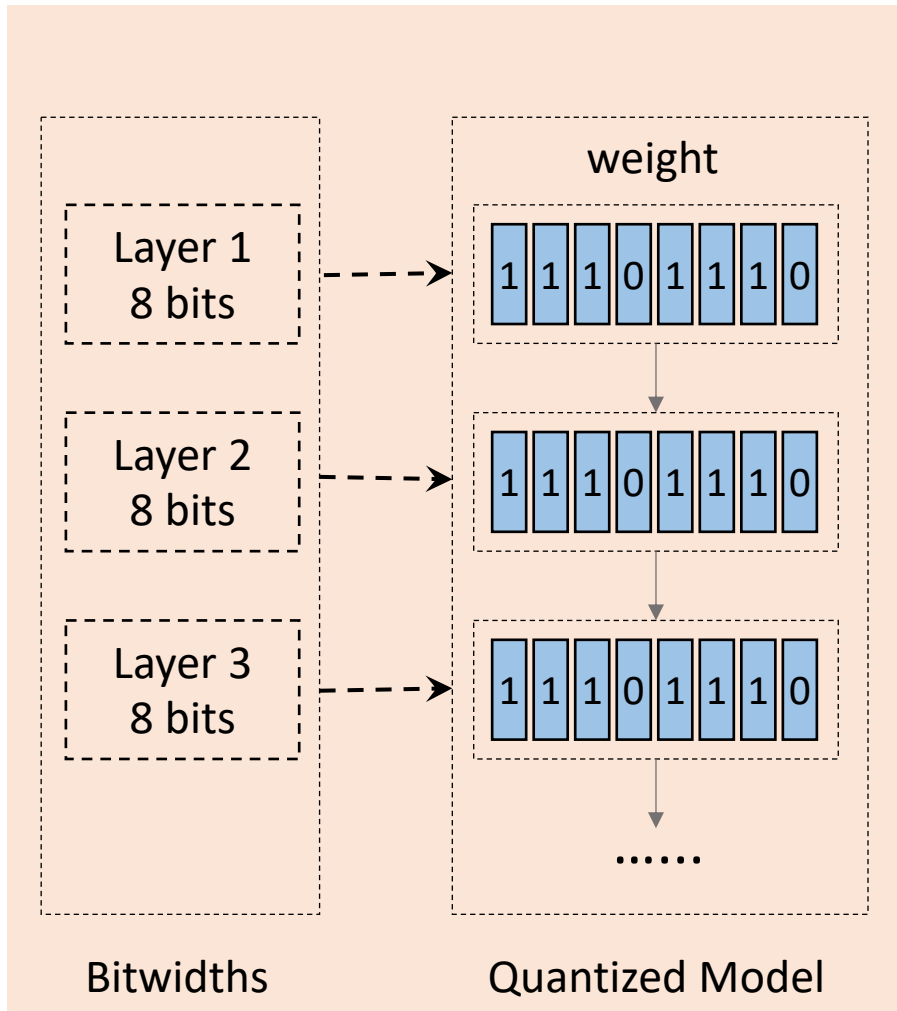
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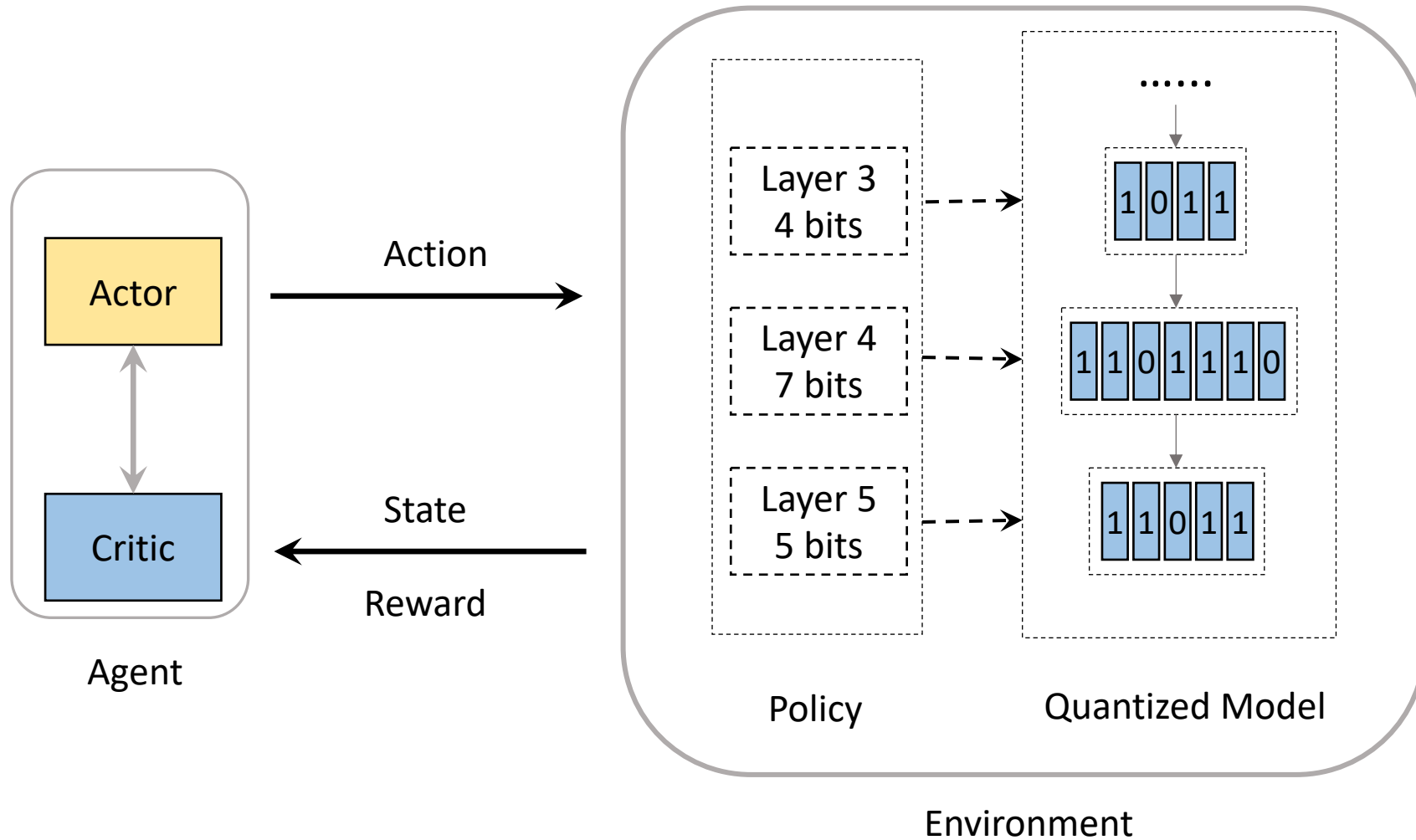
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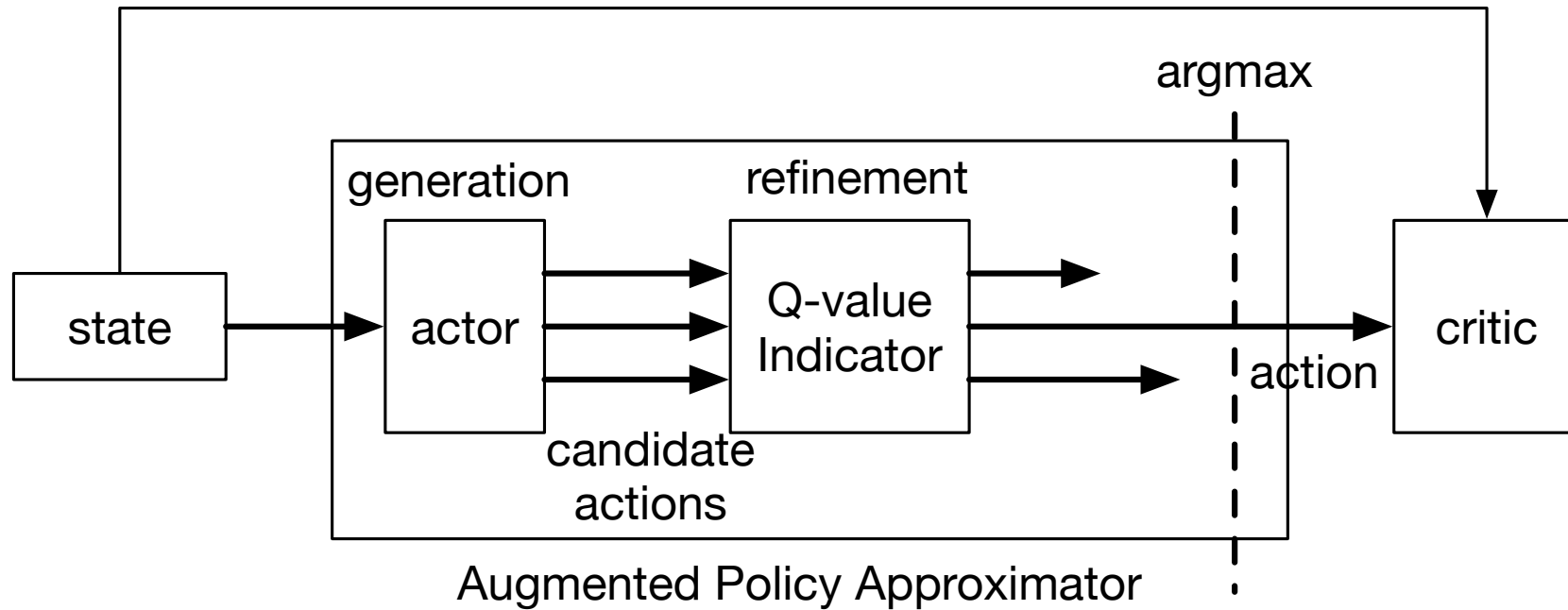
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**Design Space:  $8^n$**

# DRL for Mixed-Precision Quantization

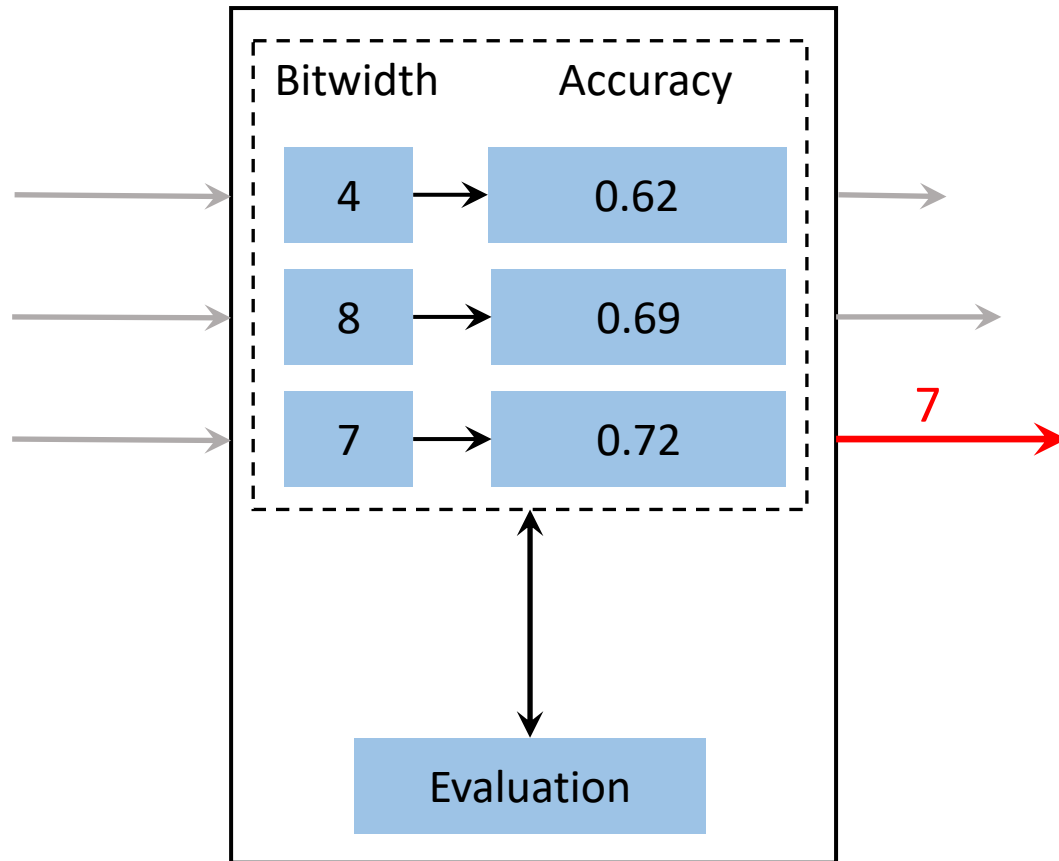


# ADRL: Augmented Policy Approximator



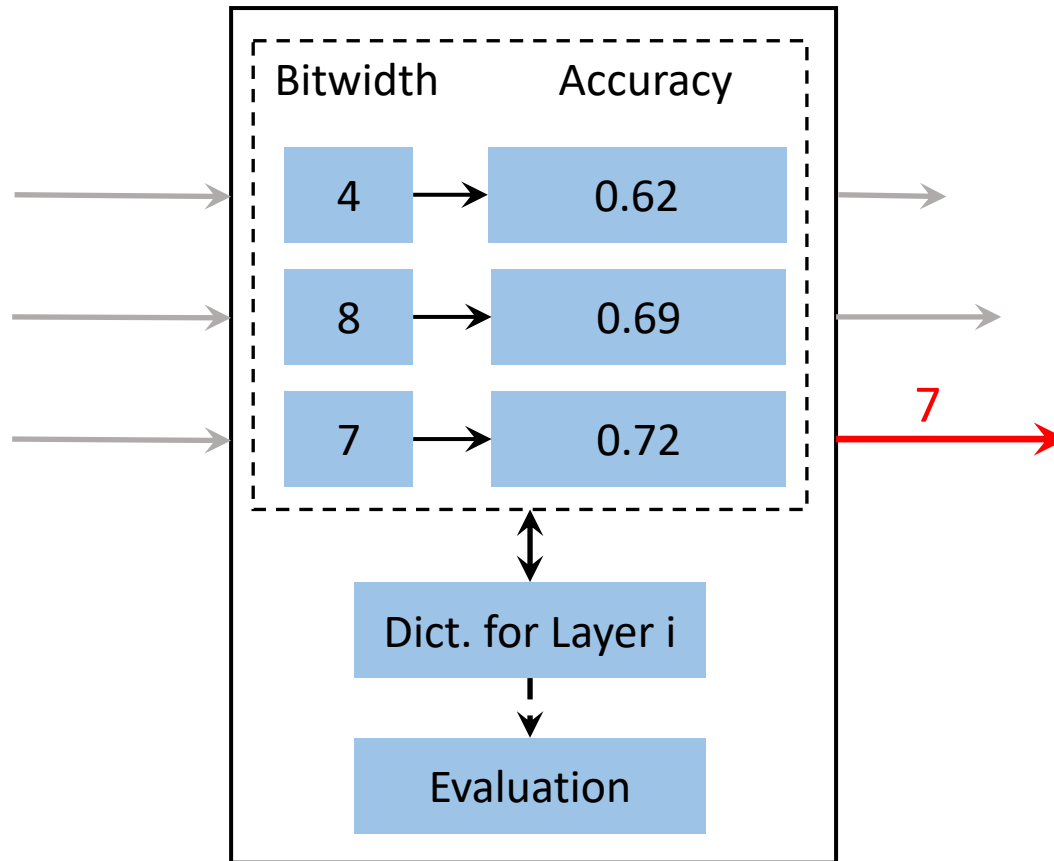
# ADRL: Q-value Indicator

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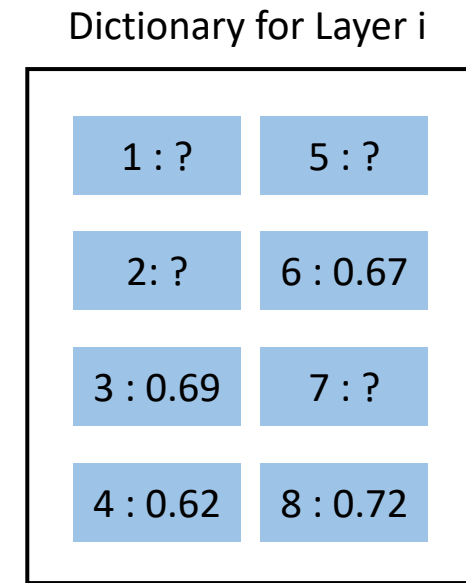


# ADRL: Q-value Indicator

## Profiling-Based Indicator



- Memoization
- Early Termination



Bitwidth : Accuracy



# ADRL: Evaluation

Network	Dataset
CifarNet	Cifar10
ResNet20	Cifar10
AlexNet	ImageNet
ResNet50	ImageNet

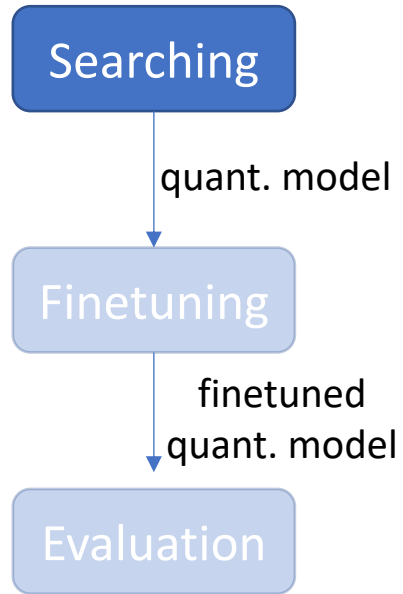
## Server

- Intel(R) Xeon(R) Platinum 8168 Processor
- 32GB memory
- 4 NVIDIA Tesla V100 32GB GPUs.

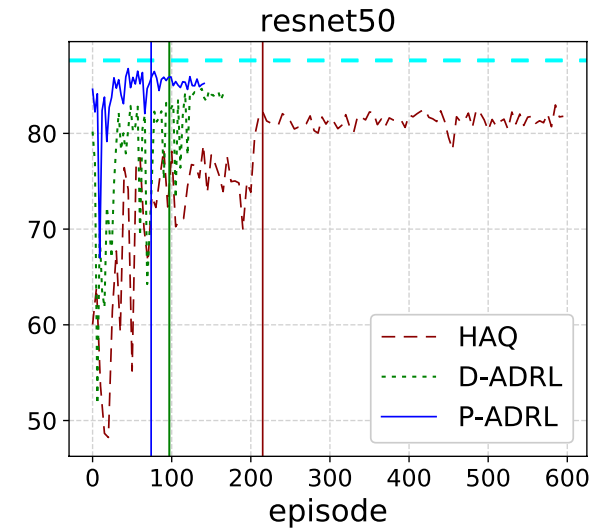
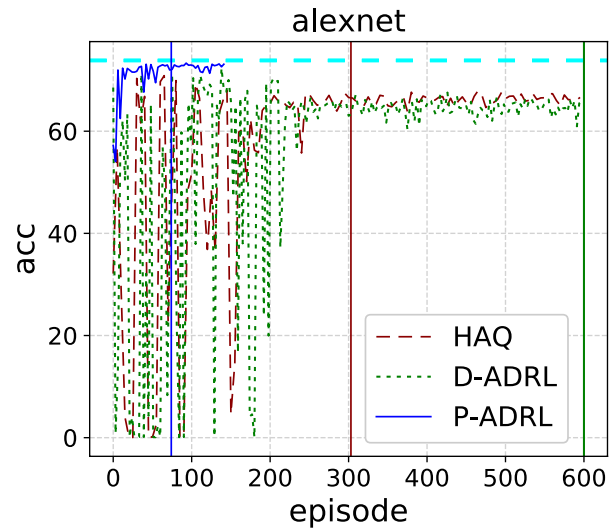
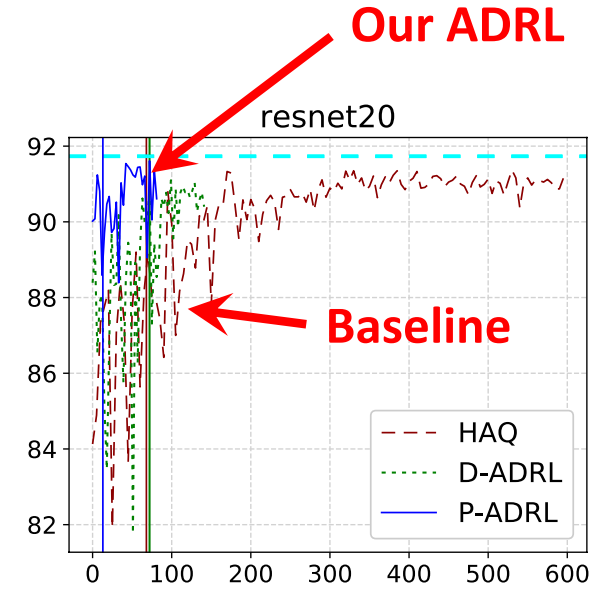
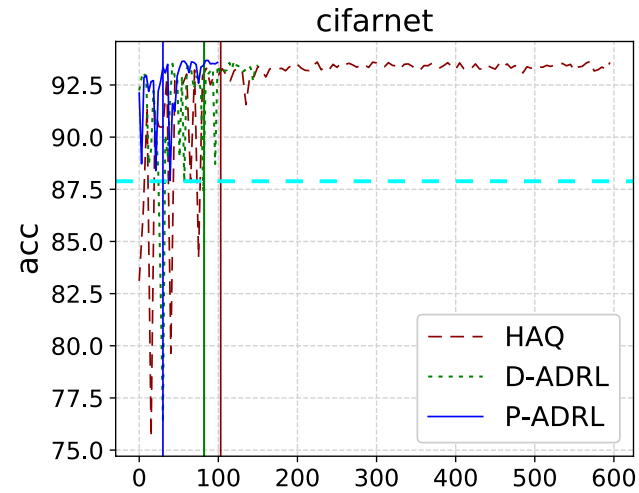
DRL based mix-precision quantization:



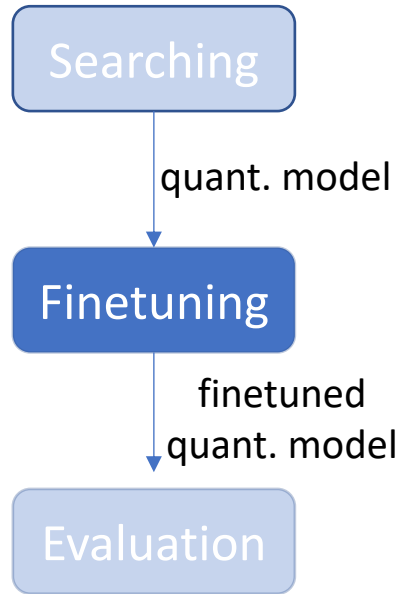
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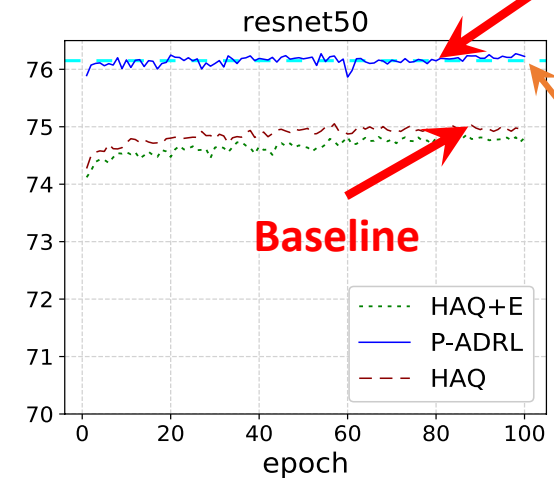
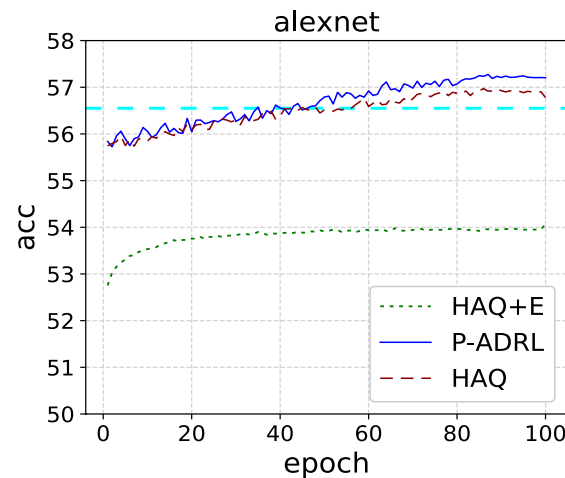
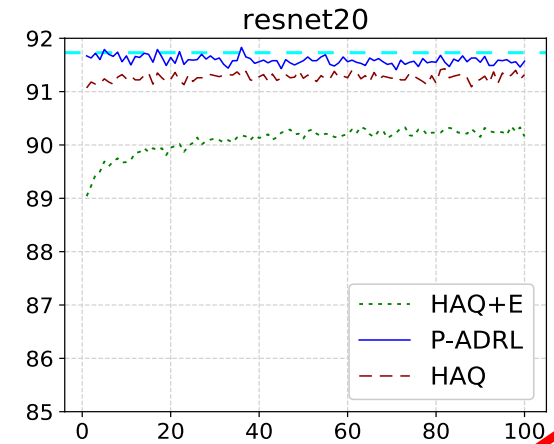
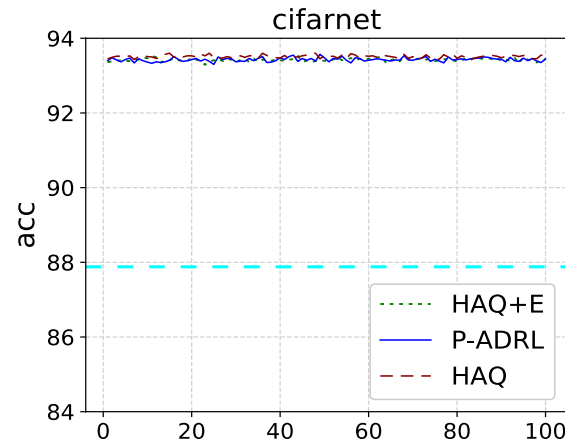
Searching: Accuracy



# ADRL: Evaluation



## Finetuning: Accuracy

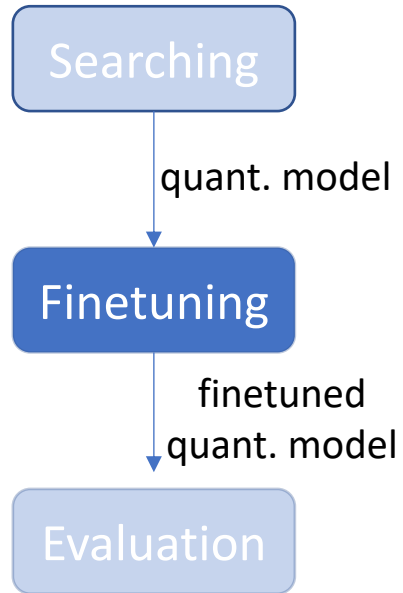


Our ADRL

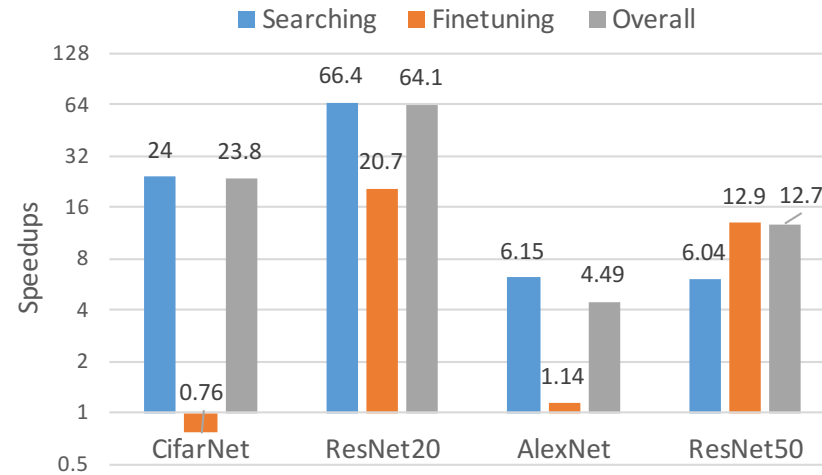
Original Accuracy

Baseline

# ADRL: Evaluation



## Speedup



## Summarize

### Augmented DRL

- Produces more accurate quantized models than the state of the art DRL-based quantization
- Improves the learning speed
- Significantly magnifies the potential of DRL for DNN quantization.