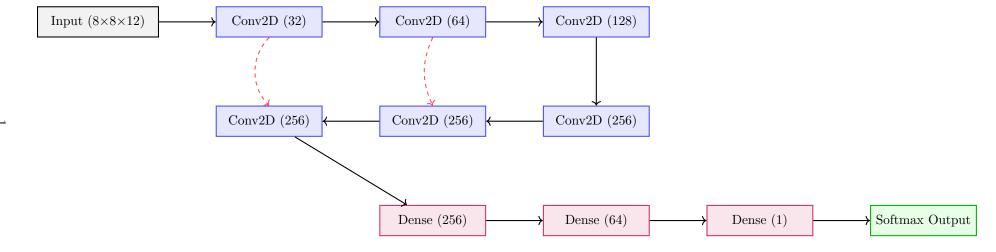
## Chess AI CNN Architecture

## Flowchart Overview



## **Architecture Details**

- Input Layer:  $8 \times 8$  chess board with 12 channels (6 piece types  $\times$  2 colors)
- Convolutional Layers: Feature extraction starting with smaller filters (32, 64) and expanding to larger feature maps (128, 256)
- Skip Connections: Dashed red arrows indicate residual connections that preserve early spatial features
- Dense Layers: Final classification network that evaluates board positions
- Output: Probability distribution over possible moves

## Implementation Notes

- $\bullet$  All Conv2D layers use  $3{\times}3$  filters with ReLU activation
- Batch normalization is applied after each convolutional layer
- $\bullet$  Skip connections implement residual learning to improve gradient flow
- $\bullet$  Dense layers use dropout (0.3) to prevent overfitting