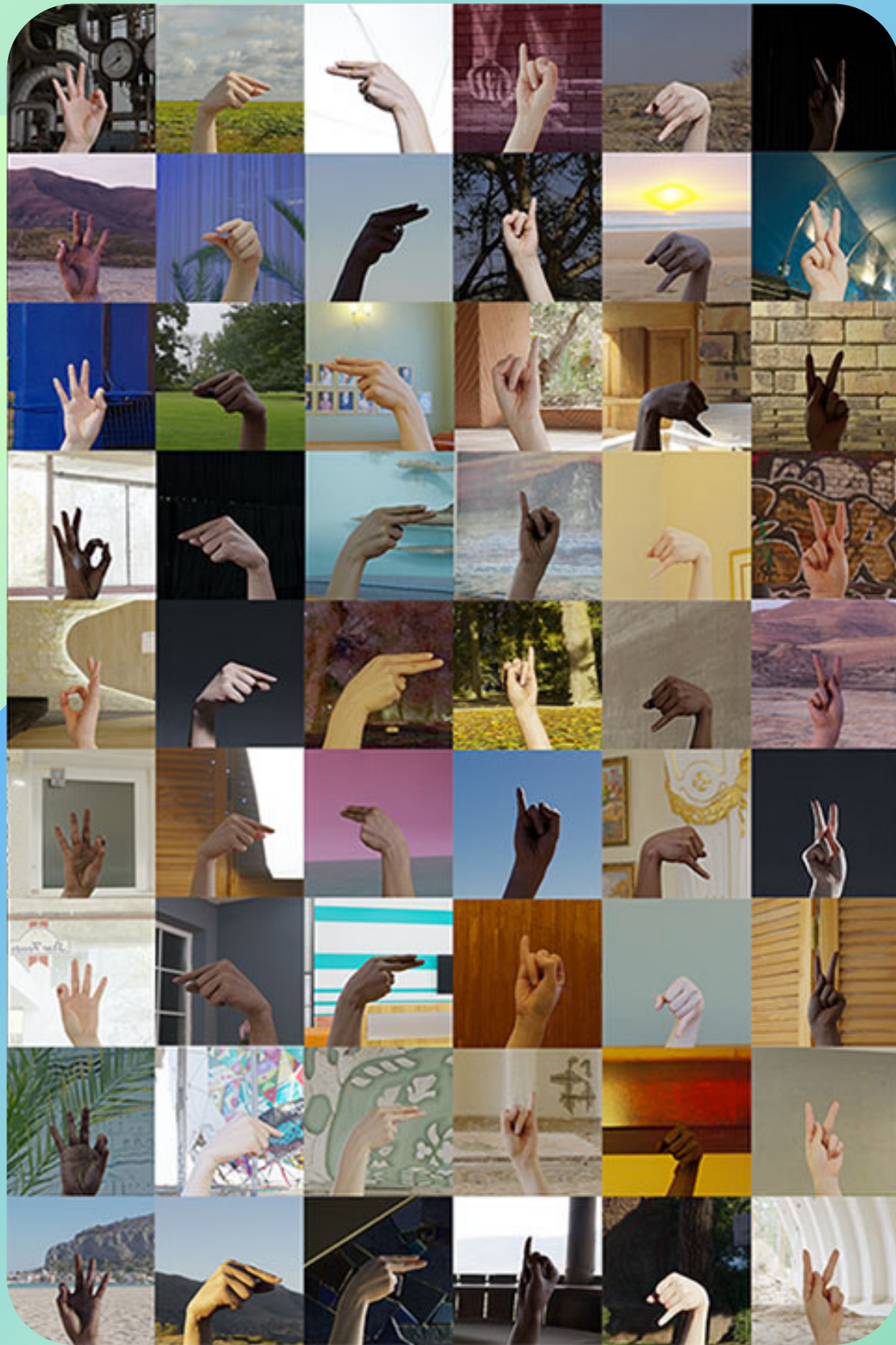




Sign Language Symbol Detection

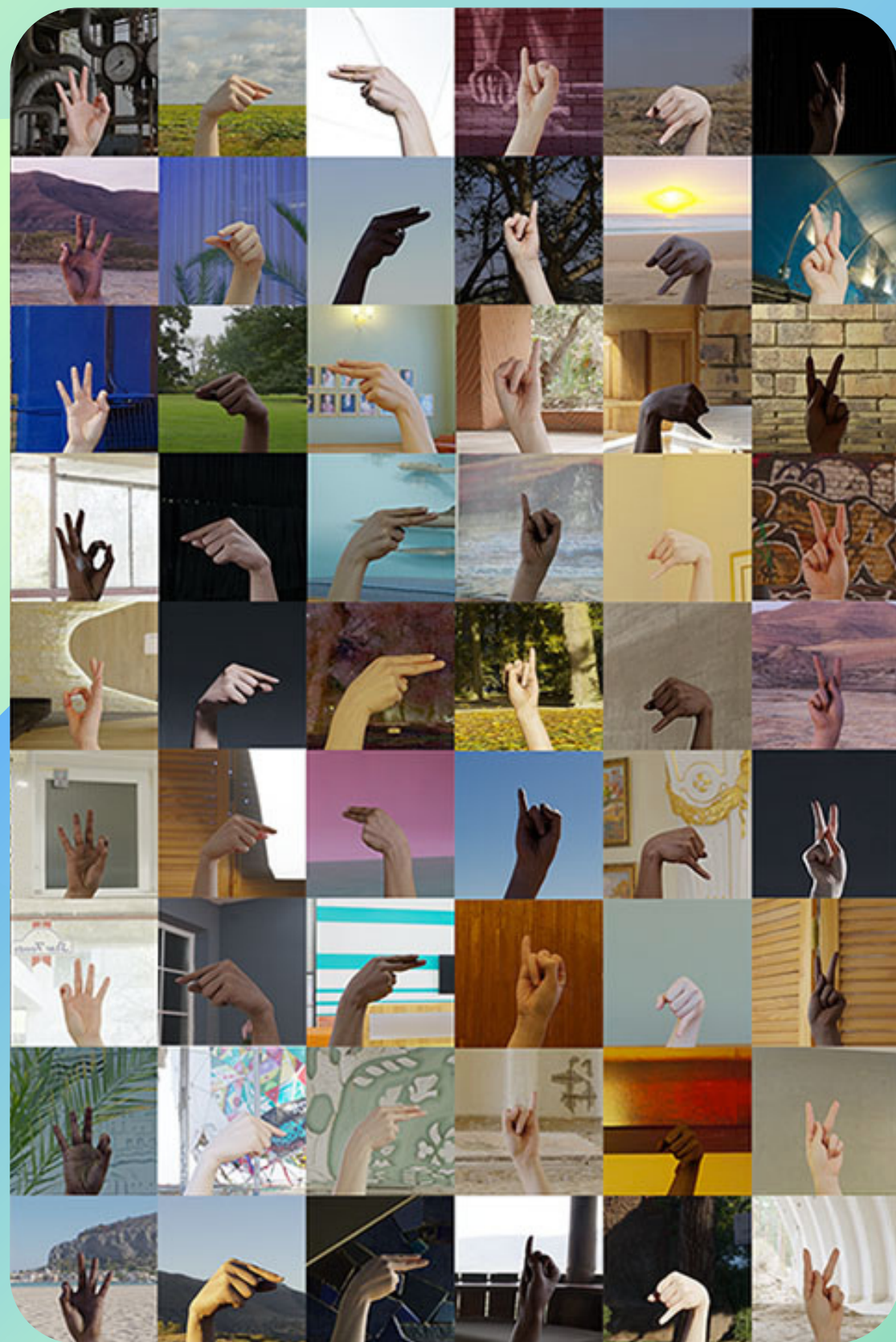
Agenda →

- 1) Problem we're facing
- 2) Some General Statistics
- 3) Our Data
- 4) Modelling
- 5) Results
- 6) Conclusions



SIGN LANGUAGE IS NOT A POPULAR LANGUAGE

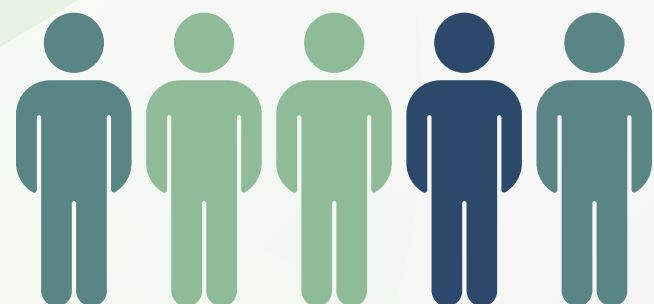
THE MOTIVATION BEHIND THIS PROJECT IS TO HELP REDUCE
THE COMMUNICATION GAP WITH THE HEARING IMPAIRED



CAN DEEP
LEARNING
METHODS HELP
IDENTIFY SIGN
LANGUAGE?



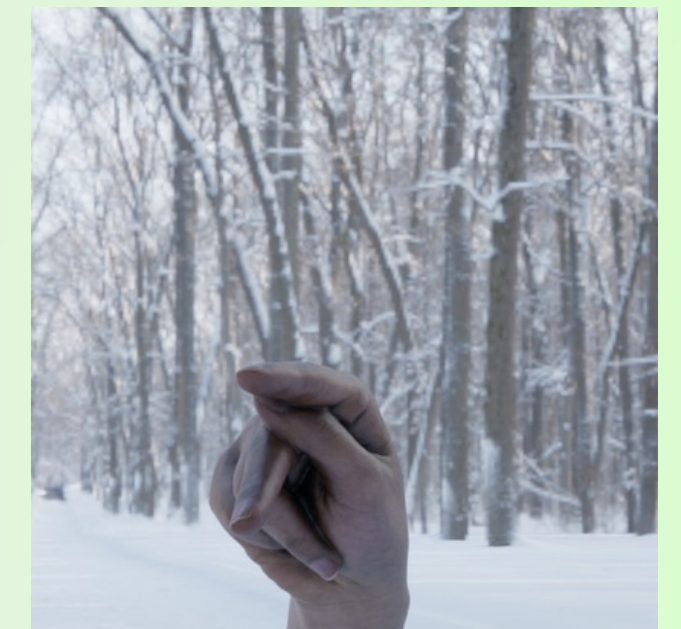
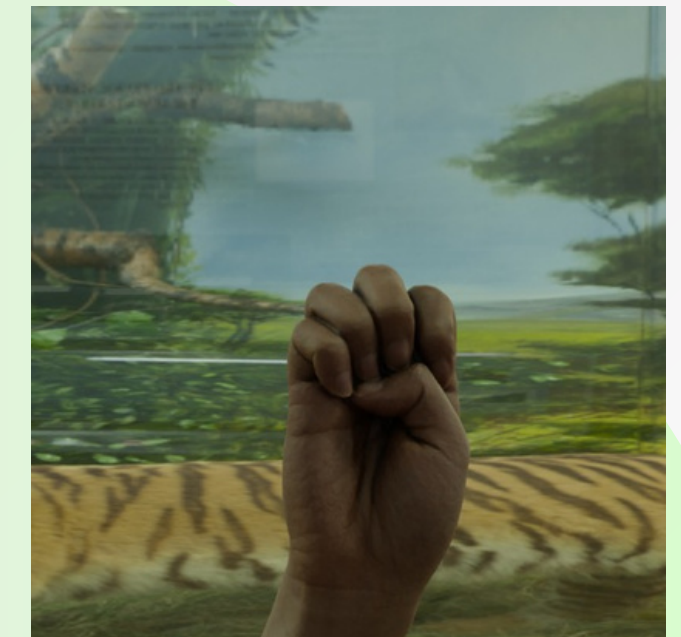
GENERAL STATISTICS →



Disabling hearing loss		466M
Deaf people worldwide		72M
Access to education		2%
Lack Communication		77%
Difficulty communication with drivers		51%

The Dataset Source →

- Dataset represent different angles, background and other sentiments of sign language letters.
- Created in 2015.
- Containing 24,300 Training images and 2,700 Test images, divided into 26 categories (for each letter) and 1 blank category.



CREATING OUR DATA →

01

LOWERING THE TRAINING
SET TO 4850 IMAGES

02

CREATING VALIDATION
SET OUT OF OUR
TRAINING IMAGES

03

RESIZING IMAGES FROM
513X512 TO 48X48.

04

NORMALAIZING
THE DATE



Our Data Set

Training Images per category

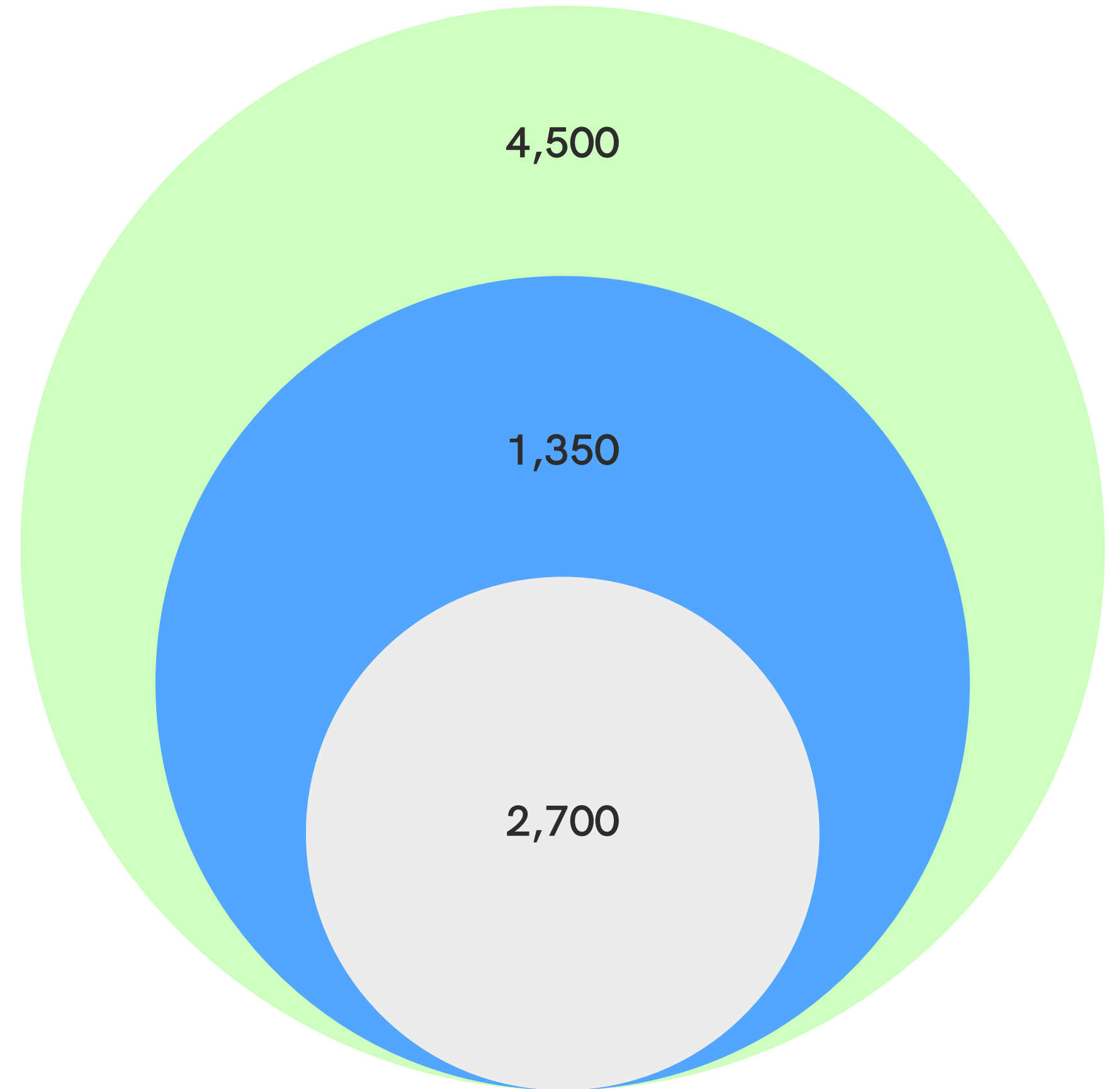
150

Validation Images per category

50

Test Images per caetgopry

100



EDA → IMAGE SHARPNESS



Category	Average Sharpness	STD of Sharpness
A	0.001609	0.001165
B	0.001987	0.001258
C	0.002089	0.001386
D	0.002306	0.001528
E	0.00159	0.000886
F	0.002452	0.002004
G	0.002424	0.001606
H	0.002694	0.002343
I	0.00171	0.001462
J	0.001715	0.000954
K	0.001903	0.001126
L	0.002006	0.001324
M	0.001936	0.001247

Category	Average Sharpness	STD of Sharpness
N	0.001603	0.001111
O	0.002145	0.001498
P	0.001911	0.001218
Q	0.001823	0.001703
R	0.002112	0.00089
S	0.001651	0.001095
T	0.001663	0.000987
U	0.001762	0.001039
v	0.001739	0.001081
W	0.002122	0.001081
X	0.002077	0.001419
Y	0.001908	0.001329
Z	0.001807	0.001146
Blank	0.001332	0.00121

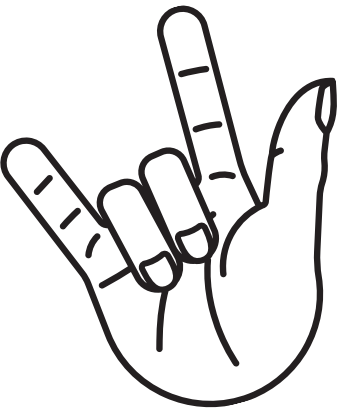
Project Limitations →

Given various computing and data limitations we think there is much room to increase accuracy in the future using this model.

- Small training set size.
- Reduced image quality.
- Various backgrounds that may cause noise.
- Different symbols with high similarities.



MODEL ARCHITECTURES



	CNN	LINEAR LAYERS	BATCH NORM	DROP OUT
MODEL 1				
MODEL 2				
MODEL 3				
MODEL 4				
MODEL 5				
MODEL 6				

INPUT LAYER

48*48*3
RESIZED PICTURES IN RGB



HIDDEN LAYERS

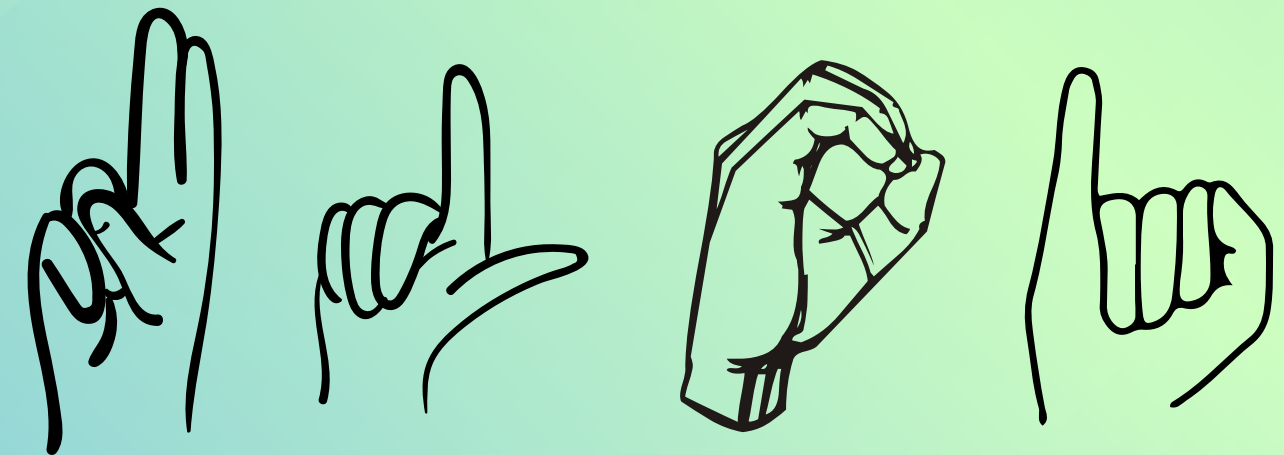
VARIOUS AMOUNTS OF LAYERS AND SIZES



OUTPUT LAYER

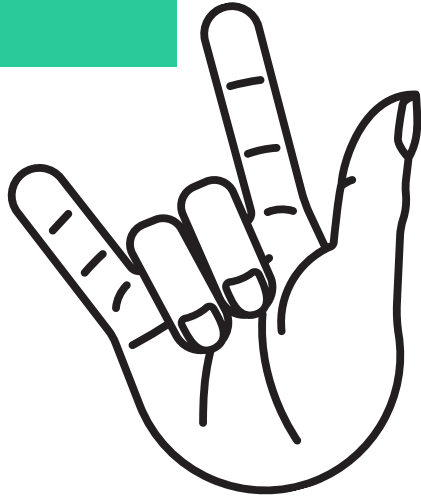
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AMOUNT OF DIFFERENT SYMBOLS IN THE DATA

MODEL LAYERS

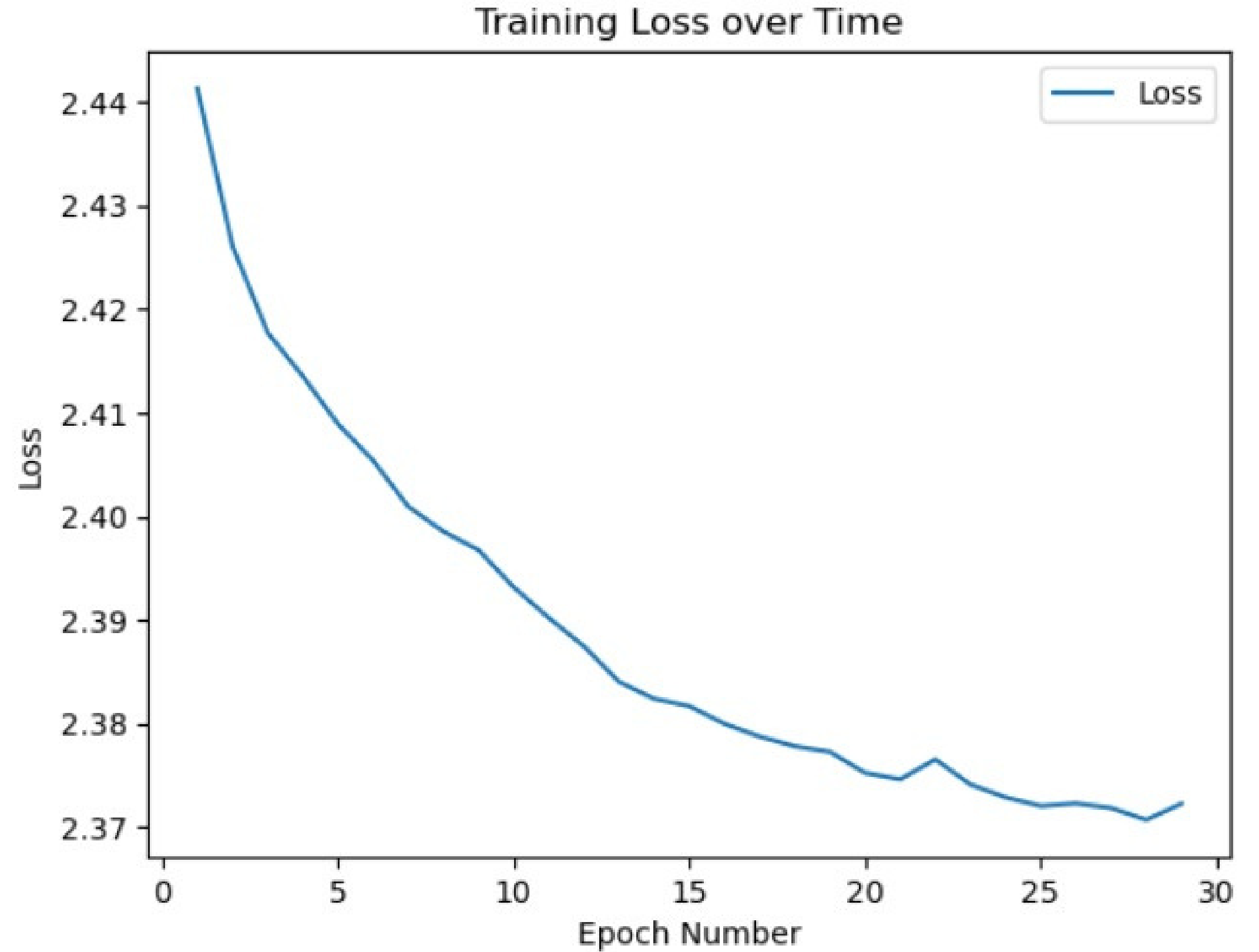


BEST MODEL RESULTS

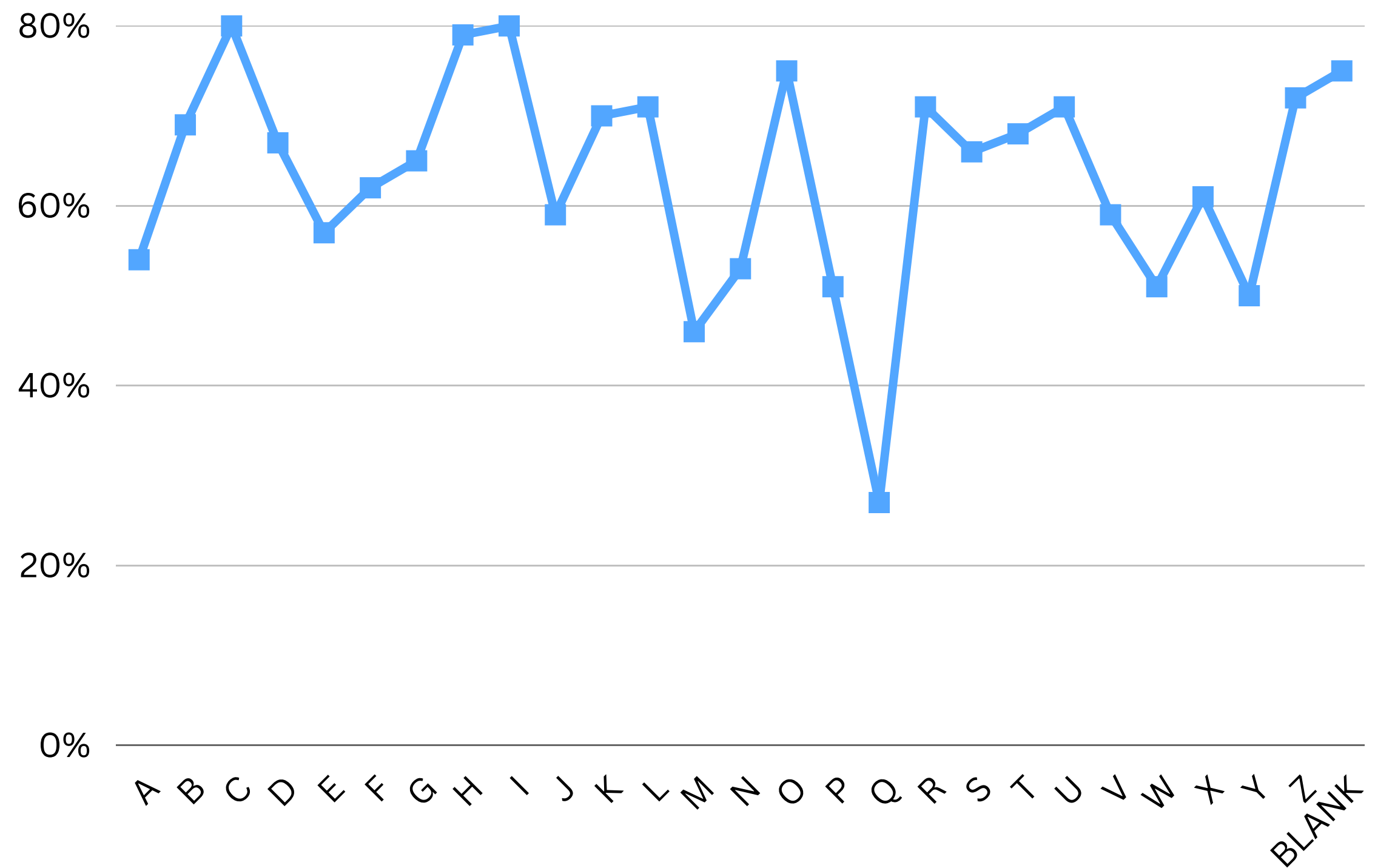
MODEL ARCHITECTURE	INPUT LAYER	HIDDEN LAYERS	OUTPUT LAYER	VALIDATION ACCURACY	TEST ACCURACY
LINEAR MODEL + BATCH NORMALIZATION	48 * 48 * 3	[3469,1728]	27	62%	63%



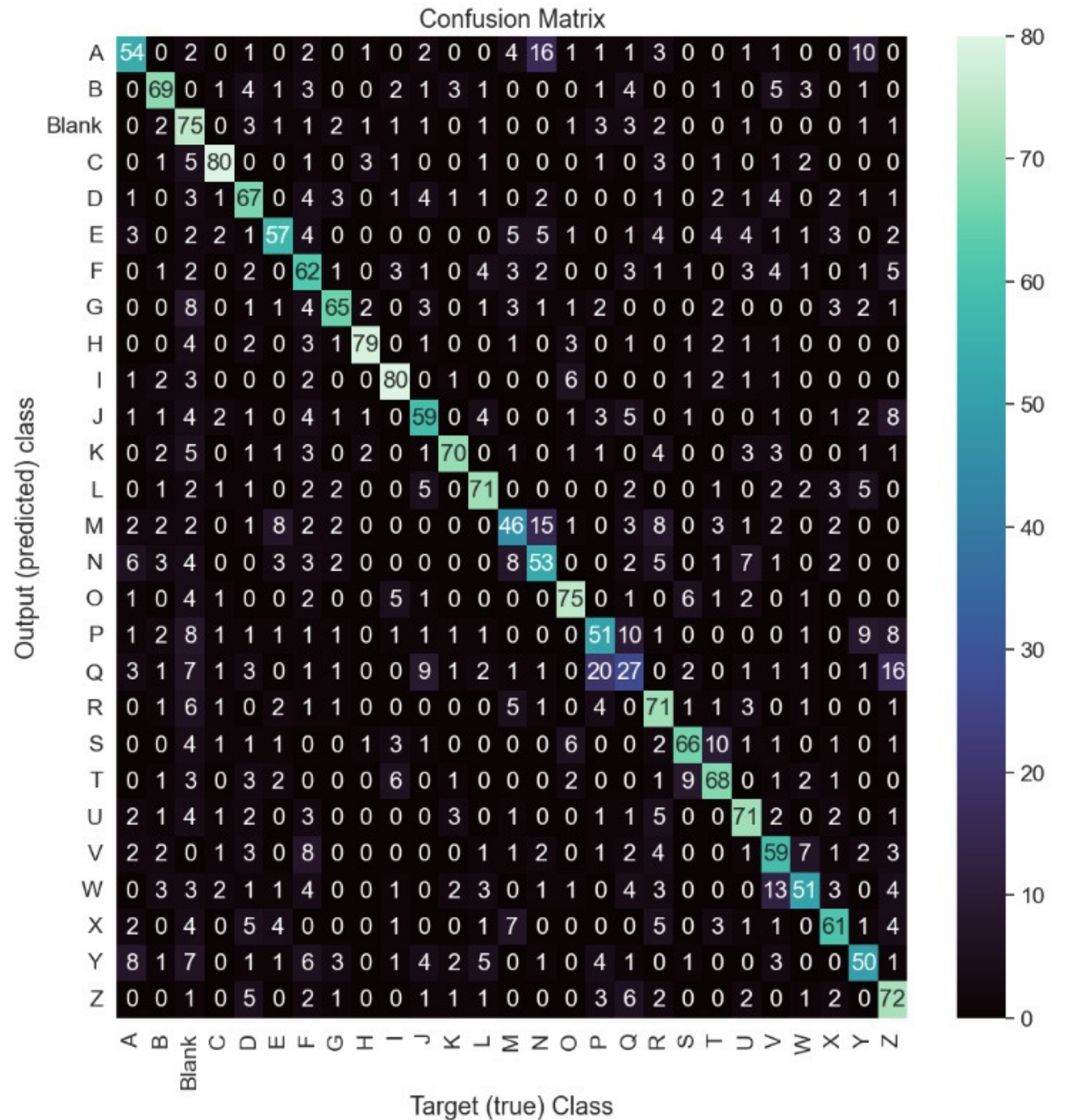
Visualizing Loss



Accuracy Per Symbol



Symbol Confusion Matrix



PROJECT CONCLUSIONS

01

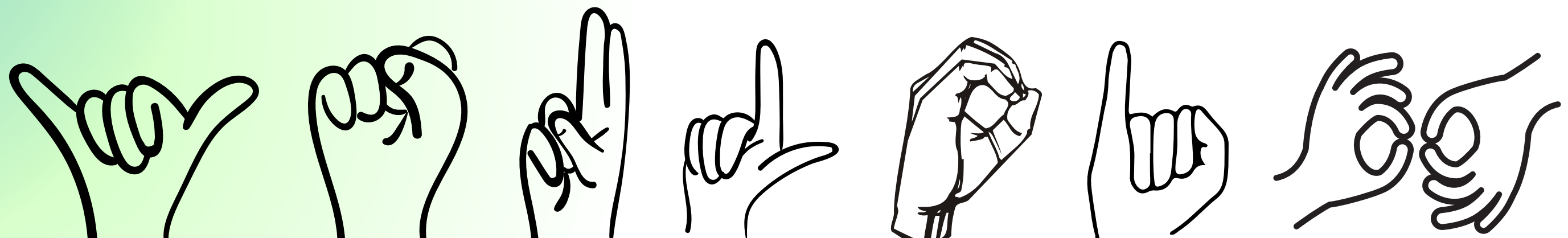
63% Accuracy > 3.7% Baseline

02

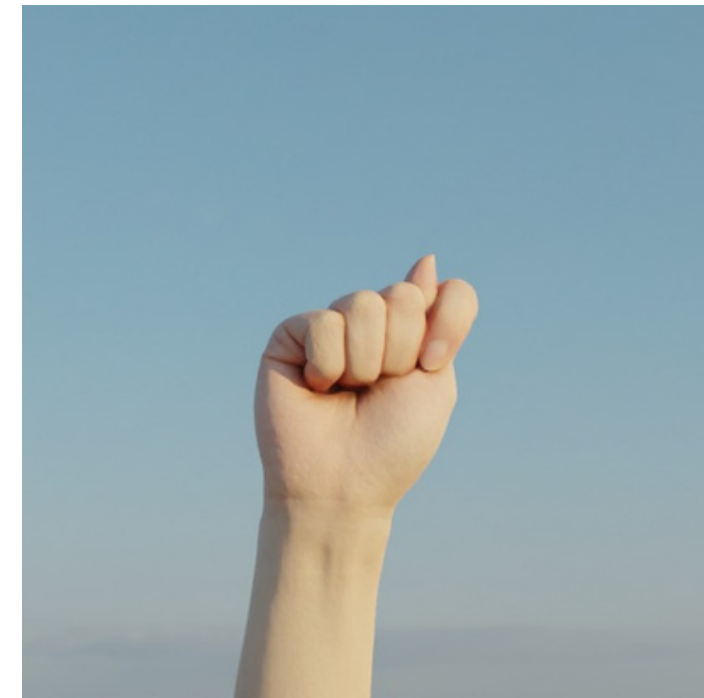
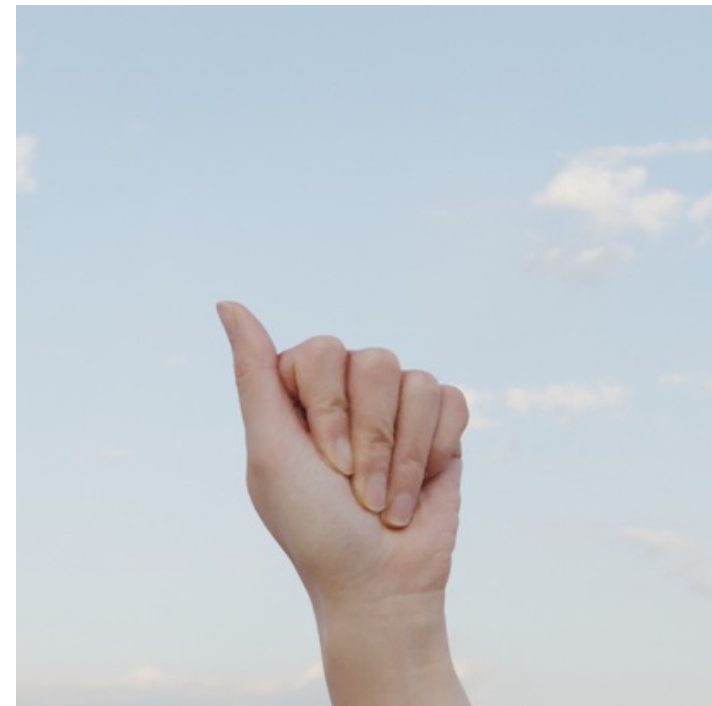
10 symbols with over 70% Accuracy

03

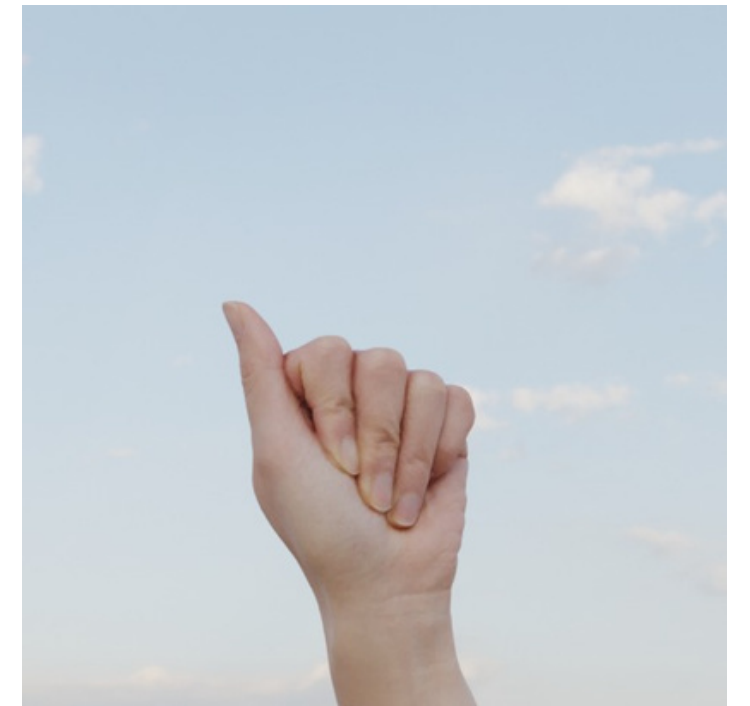
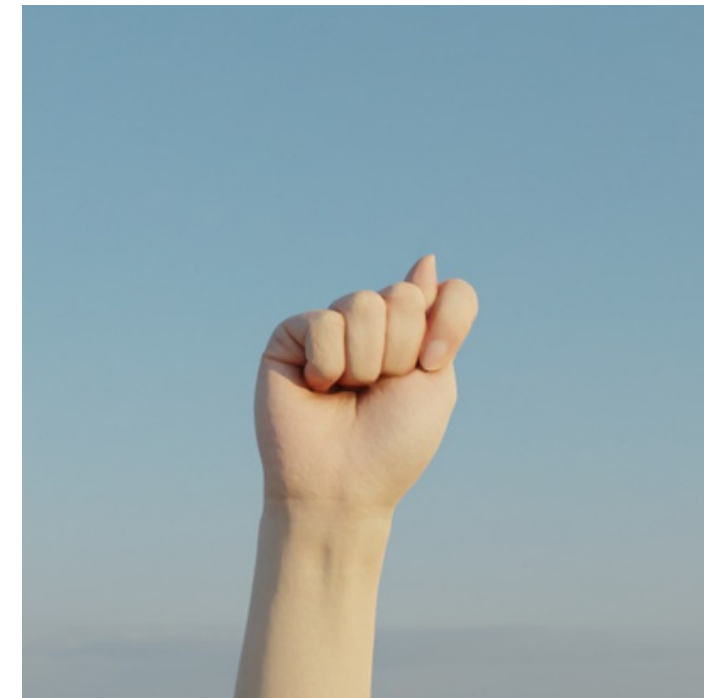
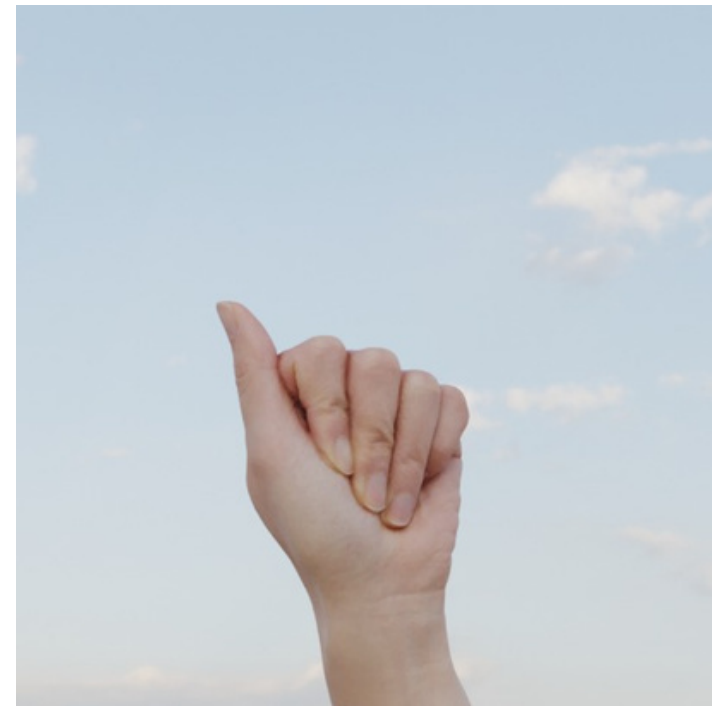
Only 2 Symbols with under 50%
Accuracy



A LITTLE TEST WE RAN



OUTPUT



Your Word is: DATA

Whats Next?



60% is not an exceptional accuracy but we think this is a great starting point for a field that has barely been explored.



Increase computing power to evolve the model.



Figure out how to separate and optimize specific symbols.



Help Implement model into educational tools.



Evolve the model to take video as an input.



THANK YOU :)

