TensorFlow Convolution Layer

Let's examine how to implement a CNN in TensorFlow.

TensorFlow provides the **tf.nn.conv2d()** and **tf.nn.bias_add()** functions to create your own convolutional layers.

```
# Output depth
k_{output} = 64
# Image Properties
image_width = 10
image_height = 10
color\_channels = 3
# Convolution filter
filter_size_width = 5
filter_size_height = 5
# Input/Image
input = tf.placeholder(
    tf.float32,
    shape=[None, image_height, image_width, color_channels])
# Weight and bias
weight = tf.Variable(tf.truncated_normal(
    [filter_size_height, filter_size_width, color_channels, k_output]))
bias = tf.Variable(tf.zeros(k_output))
# Apply Convolution
conv_layer = tf.nn.conv2d(input, weight, strides=[1, 2, 2, 1], padding='SAM
# Add bias
conv_layer = tf.nn.bias_add(conv_layer, bias)
# Apply activation function
conv_layer = tf.nn.relu(conv_layer)
```

The code above uses the **tf.nn.conv2d()** function to compute the convolution with **weight** as the filter and [1, 2, 2, 1] for the strides. TensorFlow uses a stride for each **input**dimension, [batch, input_height, input_width, input_channels]. We are generally always going to set the stride for batch and input_channels(i.e. the first and fourth element in the **strides** array) to be 1.

You'll focus on changing input_heightandinput_widthwhile setting batch and input_channels to 1. The input_heightand input_widthstrides are for striding the filter over input. This example code uses a stride of 2 with 5x5 filter over input.

The **tf.nn.bias_add()** function adds a 1-d bias to the last dimension in a matrix.