Convolutional networks for MNIST

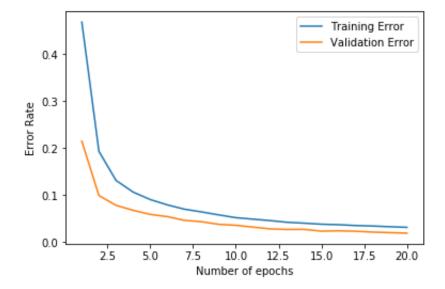
```
import tensorflow as tf
In [1]:
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import numpy as np
        from tensorflow import keras
        import time
        /software/Anaconda3-5.0.1-el7-x86 64/envs/DL GPU cuda 9.0/lib/python3.
        6/site-packages/h5py/ init .py:36: FutureWarning: Conversion of the
        second argument of issubdtype from `float` to `np.floating` is depreca
        ted. In future, it will be treated as `np.float64 == np.dtype(float).t
        ype`.
          from . conv import register converters as register converters
In [2]: def one hot(values, n values=10):
            n v = np.maximum(n values, np.max(values) + 1)
            oh=np.eye(n v)[values]
            return oh
        X = np.load('/project2/cmsc25025/mnist/MNIST.npy').reshape(-1,28,28,1).as
        Y = one hot(np.load('/project2/cmsc25025/mnist/MNIST labels.npy'))
        n = 70000
        train set = (X[:int(5/7 * n)], Y[:int(5/7 * n)])
        val set = (X[int(5/7 * n):int(6/7 * n)], Y[int(5/7 * n):int(6/7 * n)])
        test set = (X[int(6/7 * n):n], Y[int(6/7 * n):n])
In [3]: def show image(X, nr, nc):
            plt.figure(figsize=(nc*2, nr*2))
            for i in range(nr*nc):
                plt.subplot(nr, nc, i+1)
                plt.imshow(X[i].T[0].T, cmap='gray')
                plt.axis('off')
            plt.axis('off')
            plt.show()
        def show layer image(layer, nr, nc):
            plt.figure(figsize=(nc*2, nr*2))
            for i in range(nr*nc):
                plt.subplot(nr, nc, i+1)
                plt.imshow(layer[i][0], cmap='gray')
                plt.axis('off')
            plt.axis('off')
            plt.show()
```

(a) Compute the total number of parameters in the original model. And run this model. You shouldn't run more than 20 epochs. (On the RCC with 8 cores it takes about 90 seconds per epoch with all the training data.) You can do this with only 10000 training data to expedite the experiments. For each experiment plot the error rate on training and validation as a function of the epoch number. Show an image with the 32.5×5 filters that are estimated in the first layer of the model

```
In [83]: def getModel(f1 = 32, f2 = 64, numF = 5, depth = 1):
             model = keras.models.Sequential()
             model.add(keras.layers.InputLayer((28,28,1)))
             model.add(keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=f1, kernel size=(numF,numF), pa
             model.add(keras.layers.MaxPool2D())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dropout(rate=0.4))
             for i in range(depth):
                 model.add(keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=f2, kernel size=(numF,numF)
             model.add(keras.layers.MaxPool2D())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dropout(rate=0.4))
             model.add(keras.layers.Flatten())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dense(units=1024, activation='relu'))
             model.add(keras.layers.Dense(units=10, activation='softmax'))
             model.compile(optimizer=tf.train.AdadeltaOptimizer(0.1),
                            loss='categorical crossentropy',
                           metrics=['accuracy'])
             return model
```

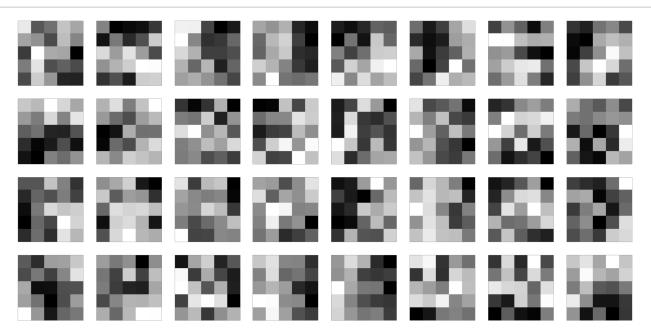
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-n 0000/000b TODD: 0.
3548 - acc: 0.8931 - val loss: 0.2375 - val acc: 0.9319
Epoch 5/20
50000/50000 [============= ] - 4s 87us/step - loss: 0.
3026 - acc: 0.9090 - val loss: 0.2029 - val acc: 0.9406
Epoch 6/20
50000/50000 [============= ] - 4s 88us/step - loss: 0.
2648 - acc: 0.9203 - val loss: 0.1813 - val acc: 0.9453
Epoch 7/20
2336 - acc: 0.9295 - val loss: 0.1557 - val acc: 0.9532
Epoch 8/20
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 91us/step - loss: 0.
2152 - acc: 0.9353 - val loss: 0.1435 - val acc: 0.9562
Epoch 9/20
1930 - acc: 0.9416 - val loss: 0.1277 - val acc: 0.9617
Epoch 10/20
1765 - acc: 0.9475 - val loss: 0.1167 - val acc: 0.9637
Epoch 11/20
1652 - acc: 0.9507 - val loss: 0.1065 - val acc: 0.9676
Epoch 12/20
1551 - acc: 0.9538 - val loss: 0.0984 - val acc: 0.9714
Epoch 13/20
1444 - acc: 0.9573 - val loss: 0.0908 - val acc: 0.9726
Epoch 14/20
1358 - acc: 0.9592 - val loss: 0.0858 - val acc: 0.9724
Epoch 15/20
1292 - acc: 0.9615 - val loss: 0.0789 - val acc: 0.9763
Epoch 16/20
1242 - acc: 0.9624 - val loss: 0.0785 - val acc: 0.9755
Epoch 17/20
1173 - acc: 0.9642 - val loss: 0.0734 - val acc: 0.9764
Epoch 18/20
1133 - acc: 0.9653 - val loss: 0.0684 - val acc: 0.9782
Epoch 19/20
1094 - acc: 0.9668 - val loss: 0.0655 - val acc: 0.9794
Epoch 20/20
1050 - acc: 0.9681 - val loss: 0.0626 - val acc: 0.9805
```

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In [6]: plt.plot(range(1,epocs+1), train_errors)
    plt.plot(range(1,epocs+1), val_errors)
    plt.legend(["Training Error", "Validation Error"])
    plt.xlabel('Number of epochs')
    plt.ylabel('Error Rate')
    plt.show()
```



It appears that the more epocs, the lower the error. However, there are dimishing returns to adding more epocs as the decrease in error rate decreases. This is the expected behavior as evidently more iterations will improve the model. The time per epoc is constant and thus, the benefit from each epoc is decreasing.

In [8]: show_layer_image(model.layers[0].get_weights()[0].T, 4, 8)



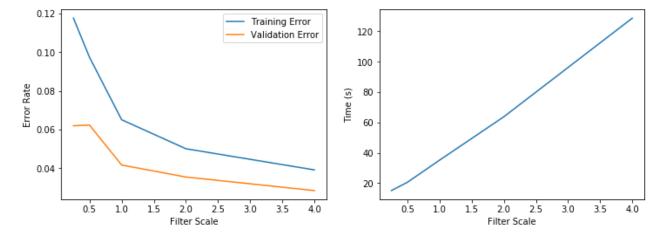
(b) Experiment with changing parameters of the network:

i. Keep the same number of layers and change layer parameters reducing number of parameters by half and doubling the number parameters. Try a few different options. Report the results.

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In [10]:
         filter parameters = [(8,16), (16,32), (32,64), (64,128), (128,256)]
         filter scale = [0.25, 0.5, 1, 2, 4]
         ftrain errors = []
         fval errors = []
         ftime = []
         for f in filter parameters:
             print("Running with", f, "filters")
             model = getModel(f1 = f[0], f2 = f[1])
             start = time.time()
             hist = model.fit(x=train set[0], y=train set[1],
                       epochs=7, batch size=500,
                       shuffle=True,
                       validation data=val set)
             ftime.append(time.time() - start)
             ftrain errors.append(1- hist.history.get('acc')[-1])
             fval errors.append(1- hist.history.get('val acc')[-1])
```

```
Running with (8, 16) filters
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/7
0927 - acc: 0.3421 - val loss: 1.6321 - val acc: 0.7480
Epoch 2/7
1438 - acc: 0.6796 - val loss: 0.5992 - val acc: 0.8548
Epoch 3/7
6996 - acc: 0.7820 - val loss: 0.4072 - val acc: 0.8975
5562 - acc: 0.8270 - val loss: 0.3316 - val acc: 0.9138
4773 - acc: 0.8544 - val loss: 0.2894 - val acc: 0.9225
Epoch 6/7
0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 1
```

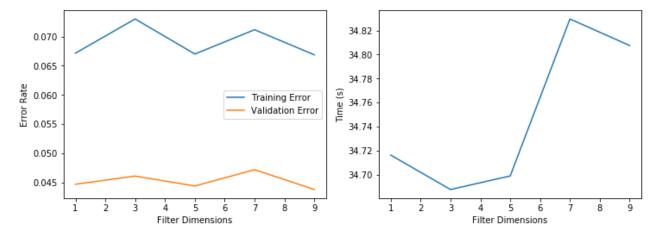
```
In [18]: plt.figure(figsize=(12, 4))
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.plot(filter_scale, ftrain_errors)
    plt.plot(filter_scale, fval_errors)
    plt.legend(["Training Error", "Validation Error"])
    plt.xlabel('Filter Scale')
    plt.ylabel('Error Rate')
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    plt.plot(filter_scale, ftime)
    plt.xlabel('Filter Scale')
    plt.ylabel('Time (s)')
    plt.show()
```



The results from the number of numbers is extremely similar to the results from the number of epochs. As the number of filters increases, the error rate decreases at a decreasing rate. Thus, the more filters we have, the better the results. The runtime appears to increase linearly. Thus, increasing the filter size has diminishing returns.

```
Running with dimension: 1 x 1
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/7
50000/50000 [============= ] - 6s 119us/step - loss: 1
.6473 - acc: 0.5246 - val loss: 0.6766 - val acc: 0.7936
Epoch 2/7
6006 - acc: 0.8105 - val loss: 0.3547 - val acc: 0.9023
Epoch 3/7
4223 - acc: 0.8715 - val loss: 0.2804 - val acc: 0.9179
Epoch 4/7
3439 - acc: 0.8958 - val loss: 0.2299 - val acc: 0.9327
Epoch 5/7
2929 - acc: 0.9100 - val loss: 0.1943 - val acc: 0.9437
Epoch 6/7
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 94us/step - loss: 0.
```

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In [19]: plt.figure(figsize=(12, 4))
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
   plt.plot(filterdd_parameters, fdtrain_errors)
   plt.plot(filterdd_parameters, fdval_errors)
   plt.legend(["Training Error", "Validation Error"])
   plt.xlabel('Filter Dimensions')
   plt.ylabel('Error Rate')
   plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
   plt.plot(filterdd_parameters, fdtime)
   plt.xlabel('Filter Dimensions')
   plt.ylabel('Time (s)')
   plt.show()
```



The filter demensions have interesting results. The error rate does not seem to depend very much on the dimensions (kernal size) of the filter. The results were best with a kernal size of 5x5 and 9x9. Also, the difference in time is extremely small as shown by the scale on the time graph. Thus, I will conclude that dimensions of filters does not have a very significant impact on the results.

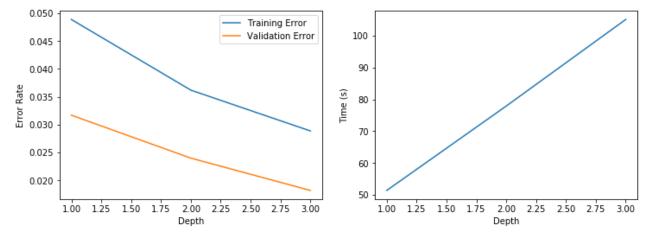
ii. Design a deeper network with the same number of parameters as the original net- work. Report the results.

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validation_data=val_set)
dtime.append(time.time() - start)
dtrain_errors.append(1- hist.history.get('acc')[-1])
dval_errors.append(1- hist.history.get('val_acc')[-1])
```

```
Running with depth: 1
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 7s 145us/step - loss: 1
.5498 - acc: 0.5629 - val loss: 0.5914 - val acc: 0.8489
Epoch 2/10
5708 - acc: 0.8199 - val loss: 0.3554 - val acc: 0.8991
Epoch 3/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 5s 97us/step - loss: 0.
4085 - acc: 0.8762 - val loss: 0.2715 - val acc: 0.9210
Epoch 4/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 98us/step - loss: 0.
3292 - acc: 0.9008 - val loss: 0.2200 - val acc: 0.9358
Epoch 5/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 98us/step - loss: 0.
2772 - acc: 0.9168 - val loss: 0.1815 - val acc: 0.9481
Epoch 6/10
2405 - acc: 0.9286 - val loss: 0.1581 - val acc: 0.9538
Epoch 7/10
2164 - acc: 0.9354 - val loss: 0.1409 - val acc: 0.9571
Epoch 8/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 98us/step - loss: 0.
1940 - acc: 0.9415 - val loss: 0.1259 - val acc: 0.9631
Epoch 9/10
1766 - acc: 0.9467 - val loss: 0.1150 - val acc: 0.9649
Epoch 10/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 5s 98us/step - loss: 0.
1622 - acc: 0.9511 - val loss: 0.1044 - val acc: 0.9683
Running with depth: 2
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 9s 175us/step - loss: 1
.5677 - acc: 0.5054 - val loss: 0.5011 - val acc: 0.8464
Epoch 2/10
50000/50000 [============ ] - 8s 152us/step - loss: 0
.4848 - acc: 0.8479 - val loss: 0.2783 - val acc: 0.9140
Epoch 3/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 8s 152us/step - loss: 0
.3158 - acc: 0.9023 - val loss: 0.1953 - val acc: 0.9385
Epoch 4/10
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.2393 - acc: 0.9259 - val loss: 0.1455 - val acc: 0.9539
Epoch 5/10
.1971 - acc: 0.9395 - val loss: 0.1216 - val acc: 0.9604
Epoch 6/10
.1684 - acc: 0.9475 - val loss: 0.1059 - val acc: 0.9645
Epoch 7/10
.1489 - acc: 0.9550 - val loss: 0.0896 - val acc: 0.9711
.1366 - acc: 0.9567 - val loss: 0.0841 - val acc: 0.9715
Epoch 9/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 8s 154us/step - loss: 0
.1264 - acc: 0.9613 - val loss: 0.0759 - val acc: 0.9749
Epoch 10/10
50000/50000 [=============== ] - 8s 154us/step - loss: 0
.1165 - acc: 0.9638 - val loss: 0.0706 - val acc: 0.9760
Running with depth: 3
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 11s 228us/step - loss:
1.6069 - acc: 0.4522 - val loss: 0.4728 - val acc: 0.8527
Epoch 2/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 10s 206us/step - loss:
0.3954 - acc: 0.8759 - val loss: 0.1936 - val acc: 0.9416
Epoch 3/10
0.2352 - acc: 0.9280 - val loss: 0.1416 - val acc: 0.9566
Epoch 4/10
50000/50000 [============= ] - 10s 206us/step - loss:
0.1795 - acc: 0.9444 - val loss: 0.1020 - val acc: 0.9665
Epoch 5/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 10s 206us/step - loss:
0.1507 - acc: 0.9527 - val loss: 0.0903 - val acc: 0.9723
50000/50000 [============= ] - 10s 206us/step - loss:
0.1312 - acc: 0.9594 - val loss: 0.0763 - val acc: 0.9742
Epoch 7/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 10s 207us/step - loss:
0.1162 - acc: 0.9633 - val loss: 0.0703 - val acc: 0.9759
Epoch 8/10
0.1058 - acc: 0.9666 - val loss: 0.0634 - val acc: 0.9795
Epoch 9/10
50000/50000 [============== ] - 10s 208us/step - loss:
0.0971 - acc: 0.9697 - val loss: 0.0565 - val acc: 0.9813
Epoch 10/10
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```
In [17]: plt.figure(figsize=(12, 4))
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.plot(depth_parameters, dtrain_errors)
    plt.plot(depth_parameters, dval_errors)
    plt.legend(["Training Error", "Validation Error"])
    plt.xlabel('Depth')
    plt.ylabel('Error Rate')
    plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
    plt.plot(depth_parameters, dtime)
    plt.xlabel('Depth')
    plt.ylabel('Time (s)')
    plt.show()
```



The error rate decreases slightly as depth increases. This is the expected behavior as a more complex network will better represent the input data. However, it is important to note that the increase in time is extremely dramatic. This is also expected as a more complex network takes a lot longer to train. I didn't test anything above a depth of 3 as I figured it would take too long.

iii. Once you pick the best configuration try it on the full training set and report the result

We will use 20 epochs, filter sizes of 128 and 256, filter dimensions of 5x5 and a depth of 3 as this gets the best results. However, it should be noted that it takes ~8-10 minutes to run on the full data set. However, as a classifier is normally trained once, I feel like this is accepetable.

print("The validation error rate is", 1- hist.history.get('val_acc')[-1])
print("The testing error rate is", test_error)

```
Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/20
1.3335 - acc: 0.5761 - val loss: 0.3720 - val acc: 0.8831
Epoch 2/20
0.3039 - acc: 0.9060 - val loss: 0.1561 - val acc: 0.9515
Epoch 3/20
50000/50000 [=============== ] - 21s 418us/step - loss:
0.1867 - acc: 0.9431 - val loss: 0.1166 - val acc: 0.9613
Epoch 4/20
0.1402 - acc: 0.9562 - val loss: 0.0894 - val acc: 0.9702
Epoch 5/20
50000/50000 [============= ] - 21s 418us/step - loss:
0.1149 - acc: 0.9636 - val loss: 0.0719 - val acc: 0.9763
Epoch 6/20
0.1004 - acc: 0.9685 - val loss: 0.0660 - val acc: 0.9766
Epoch 7/20
0.0900 - acc: 0.9717 - val loss: 0.0542 - val acc: 0.9825
Epoch 8/20
50000/50000 [============== ] - 21s 419us/step - loss:
0.0819 - acc: 0.9740 - val loss: 0.0493 - val acc: 0.9840
Epoch 9/20
0.0763 - acc: 0.9765 - val loss: 0.0495 - val acc: 0.9834
Epoch 10/20
50000/50000 [============= ] - 21s 422us/step - loss:
0.0698 - acc: 0.9781 - val loss: 0.0455 - val acc: 0.9846
Epoch 11/20
0.0651 - acc: 0.9794 - val_loss: 0.0436 - val acc: 0.9851
Epoch 12/20
0.0628 - acc: 0.9801 - val loss: 0.0411 - val acc: 0.9857
Epoch 13/20
0.0587 - acc: 0.9824 - val loss: 0.0382 - val acc: 0.9870
Epoch 14/20
0.0546 - acc: 0.9827 - val_loss: 0.0371 - val acc: 0.9868
Epoch 15/20
50000/50000 [============== ] - 21s 419us/step - loss:
0.0530 - acc: 0.9834 - val loss: 0.0353 - val acc: 0.9876
Epoch 16/20
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0.0511 - acc: 0.9838 - val loss: 0.0339 - val acc: 0.9884
Epoch 17/20
0.0473 - acc: 0.9852 - val loss: 0.0344 - val acc: 0.9877
Epoch 18/20
50000/50000 [============== ] - 21s 419us/step - loss:
0.0443 - acc: 0.9862 - val loss: 0.0322 - val acc: 0.9894
Epoch 19/20
0.0436 - acc: 0.9863 - val loss: 0.0321 - val acc: 0.9892
Epoch 20/20
0.0444 - acc: 0.9864 - val loss: 0.0296 - val acc: 0.9899
The training error rate is 0.013640000224113491
The validaiton error rate is 0.010100001096725486
The testing error rate is 0.01170000000000044
```

This error rate is extremely good and thus our optimal model performed extremely well. It does take a long time and the error decreases marginally after the first 8 or so epochs. However, the marginal increase is defintely beneficial if this model was actually going to be used in practice and thus the time cost is worth the increase in accuracy.

(c) Handling variability. A transformed data set /project/cmsc25025/mnist/MNIST TRANSFOR has been created by taking each digit, rotating it by a random angle between [-40,-20]or [20,40], applying a random shift of +/- 3 pixels in each direction and applying a random scale between [.9, 1.1].

Display a few of these examples alongside the original digits.



Using the original architecture to test on this data set. The classification rate drops dramatically.

```
In [7]: | model = getModel()
      hist = model.fit(x=trans_train_set[0], y=trans_train_set[1],
                epochs=10, batch size=500,
                shuffle=True,
                validation data=trans val set)
      test error = 1- model.evaluate(trans test set[0], trans test set[1])[1]
      print("The training error rate is", 1- hist.history.get('acc')[-1])
      print("The validation error rate is", 1- hist.history.get('val acc')[-1])
      print("The testing error rate is", test error)
      Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
      Epoch 1/10
      .3022 - acc: 0.1135 - val loss: 2.3019 - val acc: 0.1135
      3017 - acc: 0.1136 - val_loss: 2.3015 - val_acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 3/10
      3013 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3013 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 4/10
      3011 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3011 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 5/10
      3010 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3010 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 6/10
      3009 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3009 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 7/10
      50000/50000 [============= ] - 4s 87us/step - loss: 2.
      3008 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3008 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 8/10
      50000/50000 [============== ] - 4s 87us/step - loss: 2.
      3007 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3007 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 9/10
      50000/50000 [============== ] - 4s 88us/step - loss: 2.
      3006 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3007 - val acc: 0.1135
      Epoch 10/10
      3006 - acc: 0.1136 - val loss: 2.3006 - val acc: 0.1135
      10000/10000 [============= ] - 1s 72us/step
      The training error rate is 0.8864399997144937
      The validaiton error rate is 0.8864999998360872
```

The testing error rate is 0.8936

Try to propose changes to the network architecture so that still training on the original training set you would perform better on the transformed test set. Perform some experiments using a transformed validation set and show the final results on the transformed test set.

First, I will run the model with the original train data and the transformed validation set.

```
model = getModel()
In [85]:
     hist = model.fit(x=train set[0], y=train_set[1],
              epochs=10, batch size=500,
              shuffle=True,
              validation data=trans val set)
     print("The transformed validation error rate is", 1- hist.history.get('va
     Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
     Epoch 1/10
     .6698 - acc: 0.5278 - val loss: 2.2973 - val acc: 0.1282
     Epoch 2/10
     5667 - acc: 0.8221 - val loss: 2.2980 - val acc: 0.1135
     Epoch 3/10
     3891 - acc: 0.8839 - val loss: 2.2979 - val acc: 0.1135
     Epoch 4/10
     3165 - acc: 0.9056 - val loss: 2.2977 - val acc: 0.1135
     Epoch 5/10
     2709 - acc: 0.9195 - val loss: 2.2973 - val acc: 0.1135
     Epoch 6/10
     50000/50000 [============= ] - 4s 88us/step - loss: 0.
     2345 - acc: 0.9289 - val loss: 2.2964 - val acc: 0.1135
     Epoch 7/10
     2130 - acc: 0.9362 - val loss: 2.2957 - val acc: 0.1144
     Epoch 8/10
     1921 - acc: 0.9426 - val loss: 2.2952 - val acc: 0.1142
     Epoch 9/10
     1761 - acc: 0.9472 - val loss: 2.2949 - val acc: 0.1152
     Epoch 10/10
     1630 - acc: 0.9499 - val loss: 2.2943 - val acc: 0.1159
     The transformed validation error rate is 0.8840999994426966
```

To prevent overfitting and increase the accuracy in the validation set, I tried multiple things. This includes using a lower number of filters, using a lower kernal size changing the depth, changing the dropout rate and adding a regularizer. Generally, I tried to make changes that would make the model less specific and thus overfit less.

Here is the best model that I came up with:

```
In [95]:
         def getTransformedModel(f1 = 32, f2 = 64, numF = 5, depth = 1):
             model = keras.models.Sequential()
             model.add(keras.layers.InputLayer((28,28,1)))
             model.add(keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=f1, kernel_size=(numF,numF), pa
             model.add(keras.layers.MaxPool2D())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dropout(rate=0.4))
             for i in range(depth):
                 model.add(keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=f2, kernel size=(numF,numF)
             model.add(keras.layers.MaxPool2D())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dropout(rate=0.4))
             model.add(keras.layers.Flatten())
             model.add(keras.layers.Dense(units=1024, activation='relu'))
             model.add(keras.layers.Dense(units=10, activation='softmax'))
             model.compile(optimizer=tf.train.AdadeltaOptimizer(0.1),
                           loss='categorical crossentropy',
                           metrics=['accuracy'])
             return model
```

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In [96]:
     model = getTransformedModel(f1 = 16, f2=64)
     hist = model.fit(x=train set[0], y=train set[1],
              epochs=10, batch size=500,
              shuffle=True,
              validation data=trans val set)
     print("The transformed validation error rate is", 1- hist.history.get('va
     Train on 50000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
     Epoch 1/10
     .8966 - acc: 0.5349 - val loss: 2.5617 - val acc: 0.1652
     Epoch 2/10
     8918 - acc: 0.8034 - val loss: 2.5478 - val acc: 0.1687
     7137 - acc: 0.8548 - val_loss: 2.5348 - val_acc: 0.1553
     Epoch 4/10
     6284 - acc: 0.8769 - val loss: 2.5221 - val acc: 0.1527
     Epoch 5/10
     5673 - acc: 0.8943 - val loss: 2.5105 - val acc: 0.1279
     Epoch 6/10
     5229 - acc: 0.9030 - val loss: 2.5001 - val acc: 0.1289
     Epoch 7/10
     4846 - acc: 0.9127 - val loss: 2.4907 - val acc: 0.1222
     Epoch 8/10
     4506 - acc: 0.9214 - val loss: 2.4824 - val acc: 0.1374
     Epoch 9/10
     50000/50000 [============= ] - 4s 70us/step - loss: 0.
     4223 - acc: 0.9270 - val loss: 2.4743 - val acc: 0.1649
     Epoch 10/10
     3974 - acc: 0.9320 - val loss: 2.4671 - val acc: 0.1743
```

None of my proposed changes worked too well. The best error rate I got from making changes was 0.83 when I used regularization and less filters on the first filter layer. Unfortunately, this is still very high. It is interesting to see how hard it is to make a model that can work on transformed data. I generally found that the validation error rate decreased as more epochs were run. This makes sense as more epochs specifies the model more, but the goal is to have a model that can be trained with more epochs and not have the validation error rate decrease.

The transformed validation error rate is 0.8256999976933003

In []:







