

# Multimodal Learning: Examples in Gesture and Audio-Visual Speech Recognition

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## Abstract

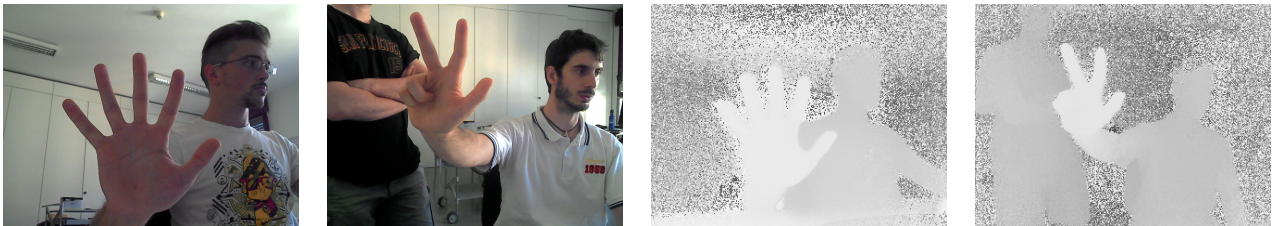
### 1 Introduction

### 2 Related Work

### 3 Presentation of Basic Network Architectures

### 4 Datasets and Preprocessing

#### 4.1 Creative Senz3D



**Figure 1: Example images in the Creative Senz3D dataset.**

Left Two) Color images.

Right Two) Corresponding depth images.

All of the images are of size  $480 \times 640$  and contain the the entire upper body of the subject.

## 4.2 ASL Finger Spelling



**Figure 2: Example images in the ASL Finger Spelling dataset (after preprocessing).**

Left Two) Grayscale intensity images.

Middle Two) Depth maps after adjusting contrast.

Right Two) Depth maps after Z-normalization.

Images of this dataset have variable sizes, and they're all resized to  $83 \times 83$  before being fed to the network. Generally only the hand region is contained in image.

## 4.3 AVletters



**Figure 3: Example visual input for the AVletters dataset (left to right, top to bottom).**

Pre-extracted lip regions of  $60 \times 80$  pixels are provided. Each image sequence is resampled to be of length twelve in order to give an input of fixed size to the network.

## 5 Experimental Setup

## 6 Experiences and Results: Unimodal Cases

### 6.1 Classification

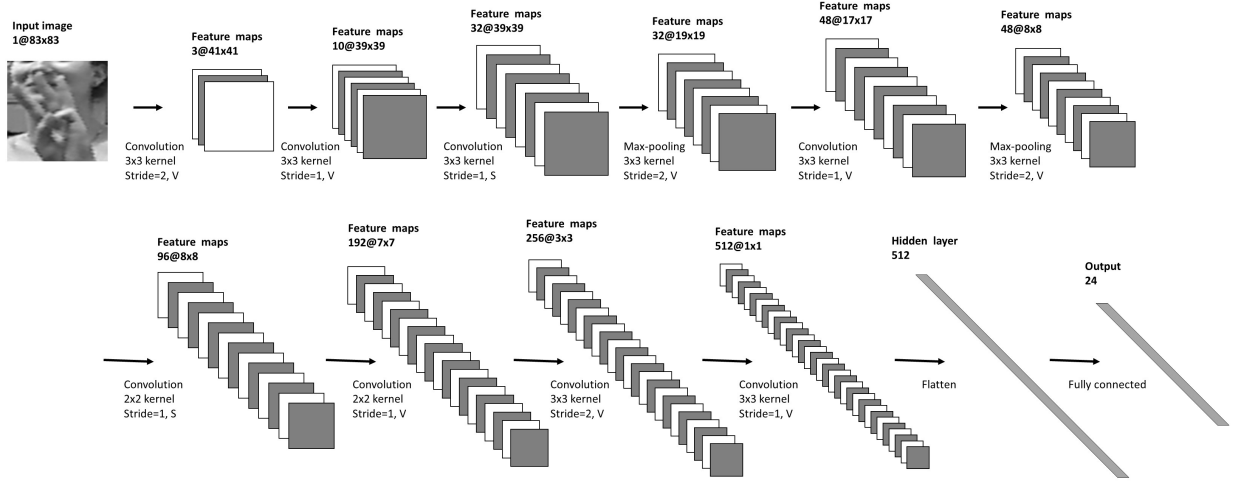


Figure 4: CNN architecture used for the Finger Spelling dataset.

The input of the network is a one-channel image of size  $83 \times 83$ . It contains ten hidden layers. S stands for ‘SAME’ padding and V stands for ‘VALID’ padding (see text).

### 6.2 Convolutional auto-encoder

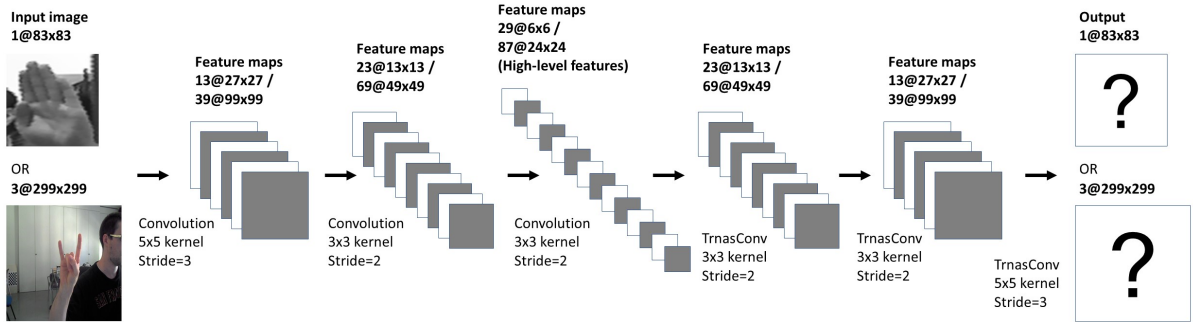


Figure 5: Convolutional auto-encoder architecture with three convolutional layers and three tranposed convolutional layer.

Activation values of the middle layer are taken as high-level features of the input image. Inputs of the network can be of different sizes. We only use valid paddings here.



**Figure 6: Image restoration using convolutional auto-encoder.**

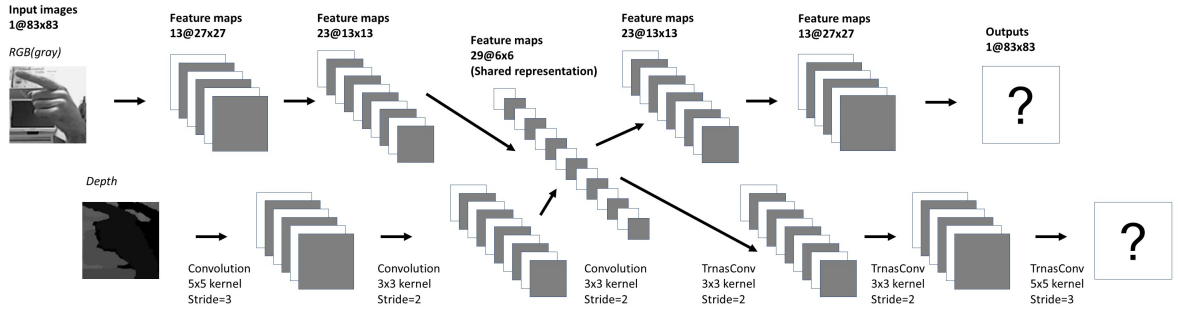
Left) Clean Image.

Middle) Noisy image [input].

Right) Restored image [output].

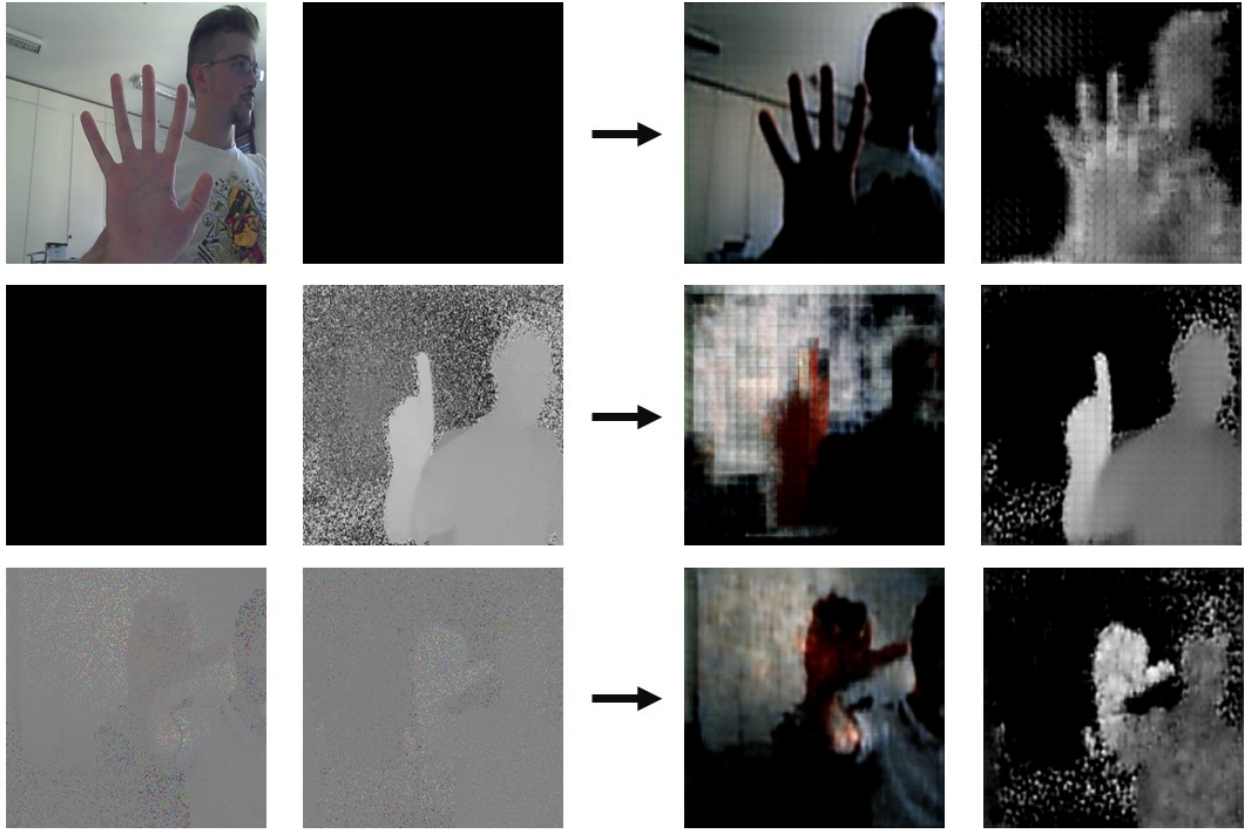
## 7 Experiences and Results: Multimodal Cases

### 7.1 Learning shared representation



**Figure 7: The bimodal convolutional auto-encoder model that is used to learn shared multimodal representation.**

We simply take the CAE architecture that is introduced earlier ([Figure 5](#)) for each modality but force them to have a shared middle layer by adding the corresponding activation values. We then try to reconstruct the two images separately through two disjoint paths.



**Figure 8: Restore color and depth images from incomplete input information.**

Top) Only the color image is given.

Middle) Only the depth image is given.

Bottom) Both modalities are given but with little information (10% of pixels).

## 7.2 Transfer learning

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