

Exercise-5 : Visualising how a deep CNN makes decisions

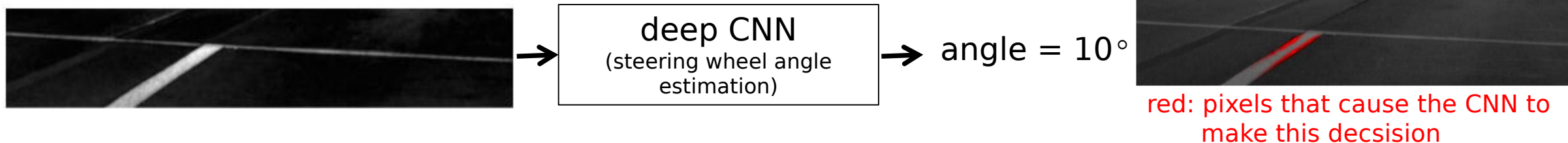
[Background]

Reference paper:

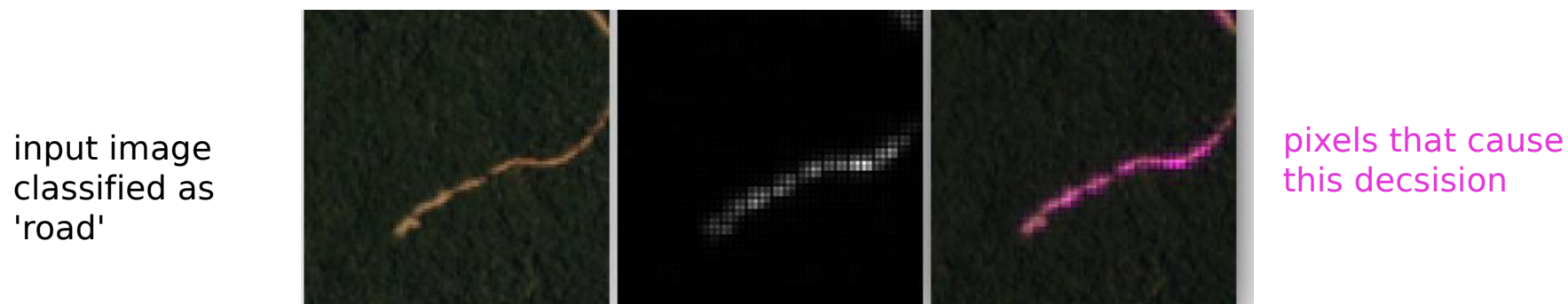
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.05418>

[1] "VisualBackProp: visualizing CNNs for autonomous driving" - Mariusz Bojarski(NVIDIA), Anna Choromanska, Krzysztof Choromanski, Bernhard Firner, Larry Jackel, Urs Muller, Karol Zieba, Arxiv 2016

In this paper, the authors propose a method to determine which pixels in the image causes the final output of a deep CNN.



We want to implement the visualisation method of the paper in pytorch and apply it to our satellite image classification problem. An example is:



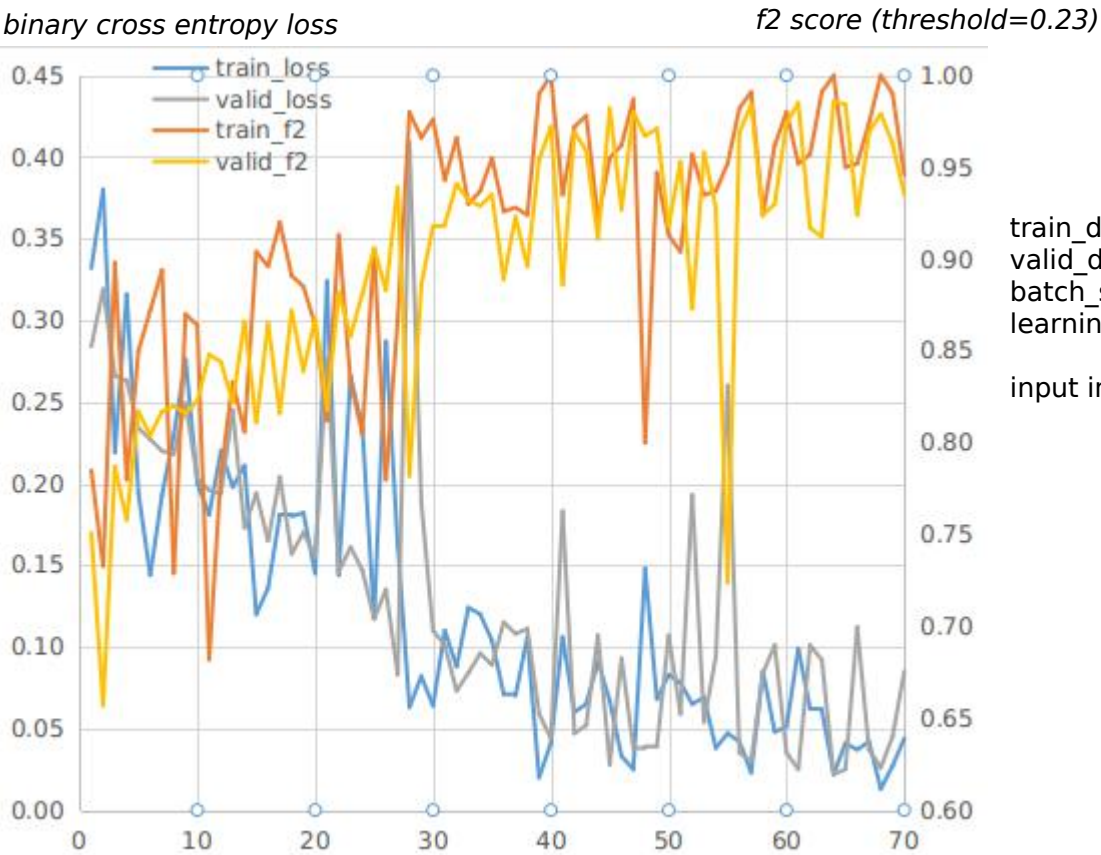
[tasks] Duration: 4 days

- Step.1.** Read the paper[1]. Make a presentation (e.g. PPT) to explain:
- the steps to compute the contribution score of each pixel to the final decision
 - the mathematical reasoning for the above steps

[10 marks]

Step.2. Train a single label classifier. We use the 'road' class. Use the CNN below.

		feature maps	parameters		
			kernel	strid	pad
input		3x96x96			
block-0					
	conv2d	8x?x?	1x1	1	0
	batchnorm2d				
	relu				
block-1					
	conv2d	32x?x?	3x3	2	1
	batchnorm2d				
	relu				
block-2					
	conv2d	32x?x?	3x3	2	1
	batchnorm2d				
	relu				
block-3					
	conv2d	64x?x?	3x3	2	1
	batchnorm2d				
	relu				
global maxpool		64			
block-8					
	linear	512			
	batchnorm1d				
	relu				
prob					
	linear	?			
	...				



train_dataset.num = 32384
valid_dataset.num = 8095
batch_size = 96
learning rate = 0.01
input image = 96x96

example results

[10 marks]

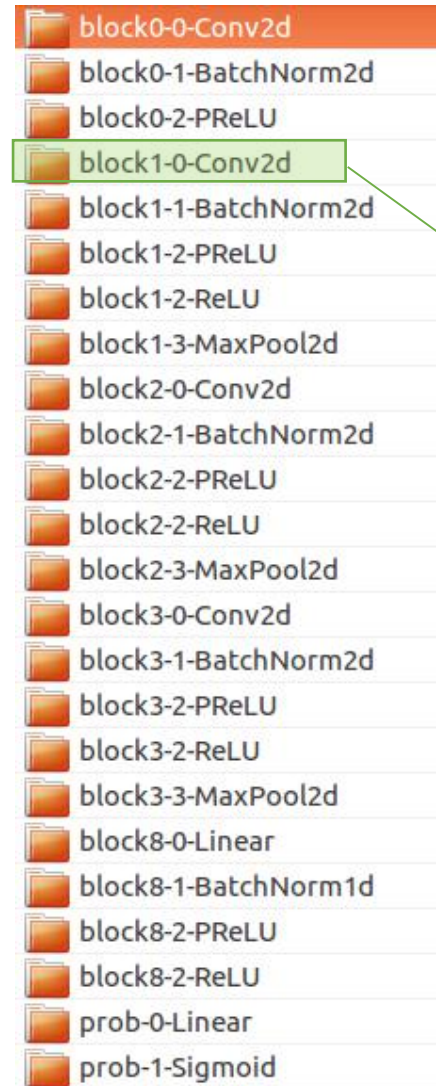
Step.3. Write a function to save all feature maps (ouput of each layers) during a forward pass of a given image. *Hint: use 'register_forward_hook()'*

see: http://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/former_torchies/nn_tutorial.html#forward-and-backward-function-hooks
<https://discuss.pytorch.org/t/how-to-extract-features-of-an-image-from-a-trained-model/119>

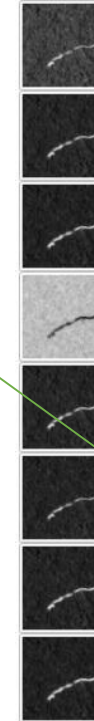
example results



input



feature maps of first convolution
(8 channels out)



feature maps of next convolution
(32 channels out)



saved feature maps

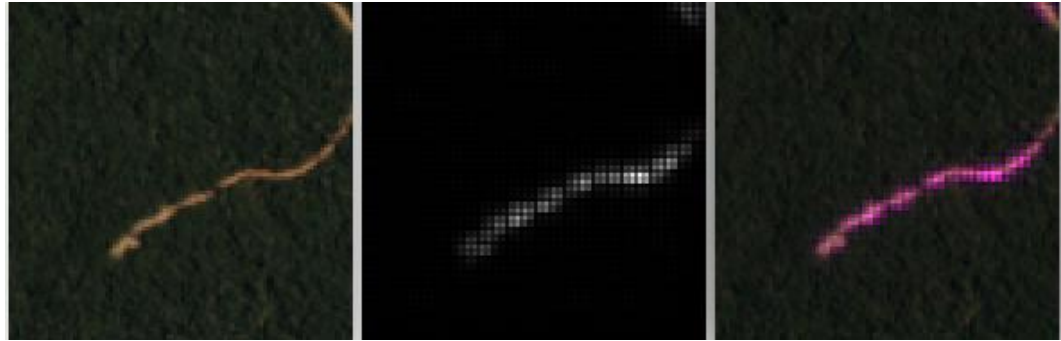
[10 marks]

Step.4. Write a function compute and visualise the contribution score of each pixel

see: <https://github.com/mbojarski/VisualBackProp>

example results

input image
classified as
'road'



pixels that cause
this decision

[20 marks]

Question: Explain why is there blocky artifacts in the visualisation

[10 marks]

More results (on validation set):

image (true label)

estimated probability

