

Lecture 09:

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)



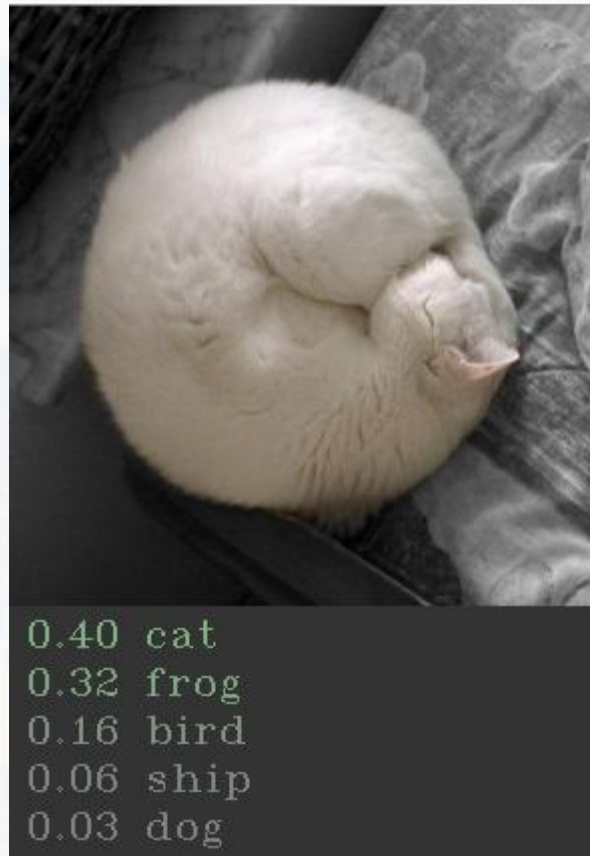
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- The Problem
- What is Convolution
- The CNN Architectures
- Data Preparation & Training
- A Simple Example



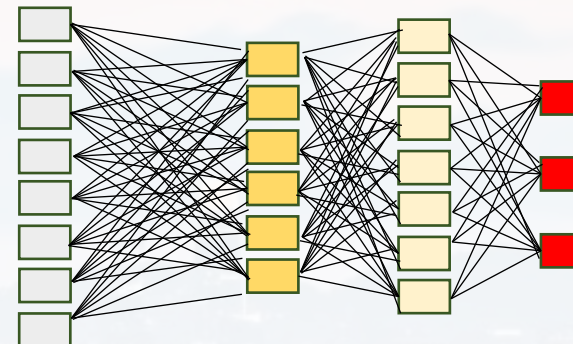
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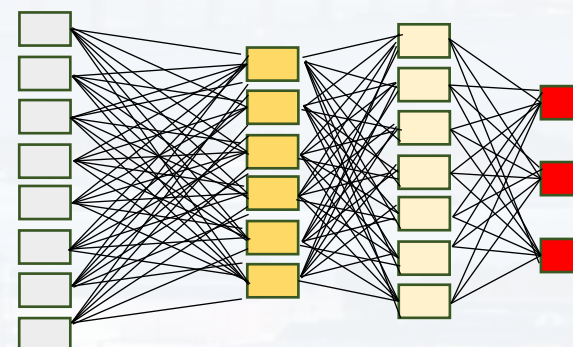
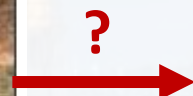
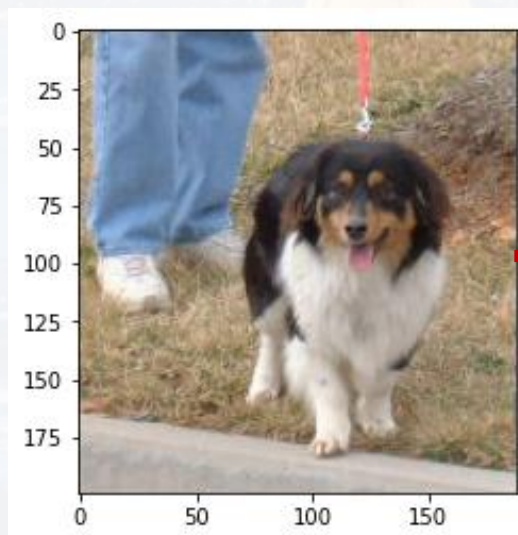
data features					
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data points are **not related**,
no spatial information

row = data point

now:



data points are **related**,
lots of spatial information



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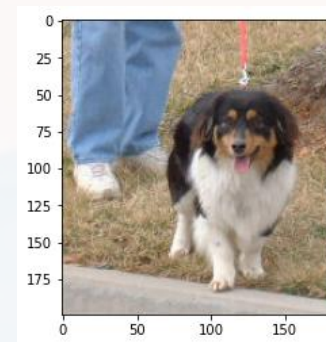
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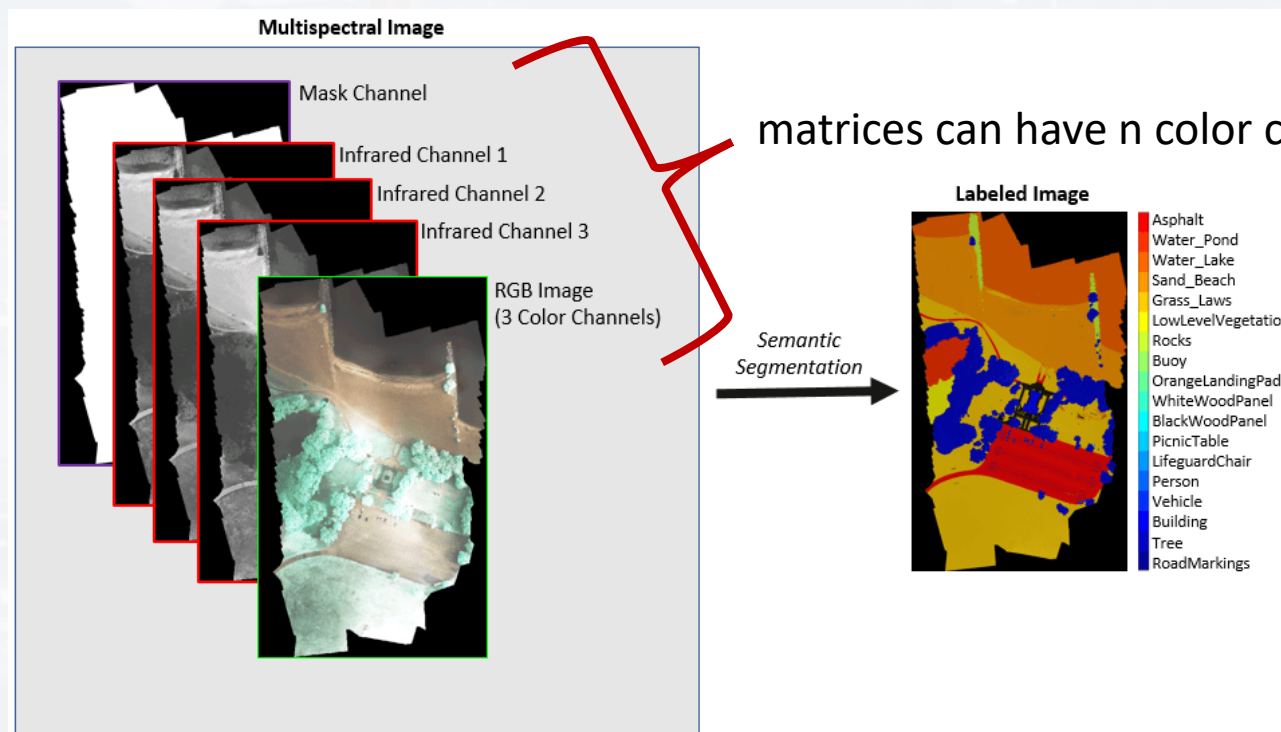
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now:

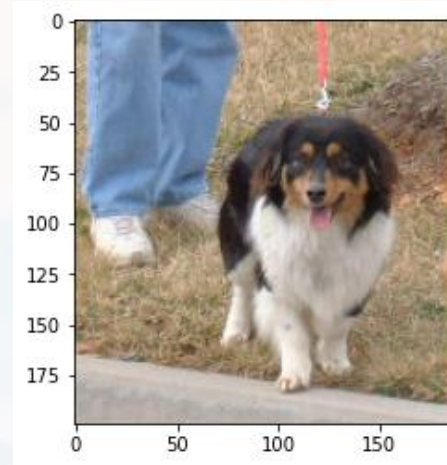


matrix = data point

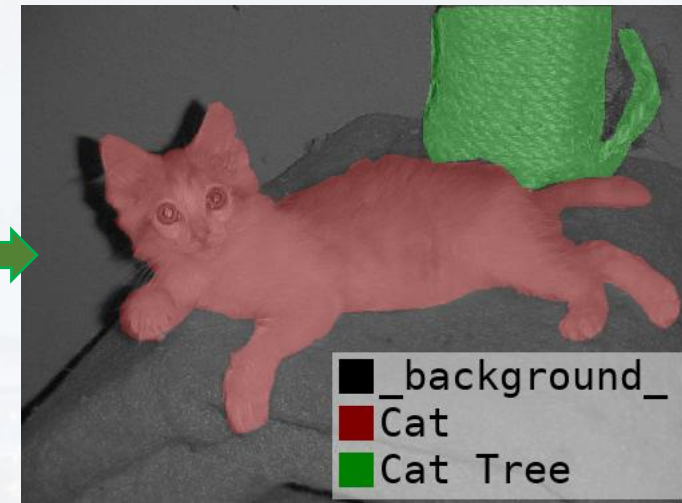
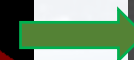
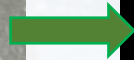




classification: between different images



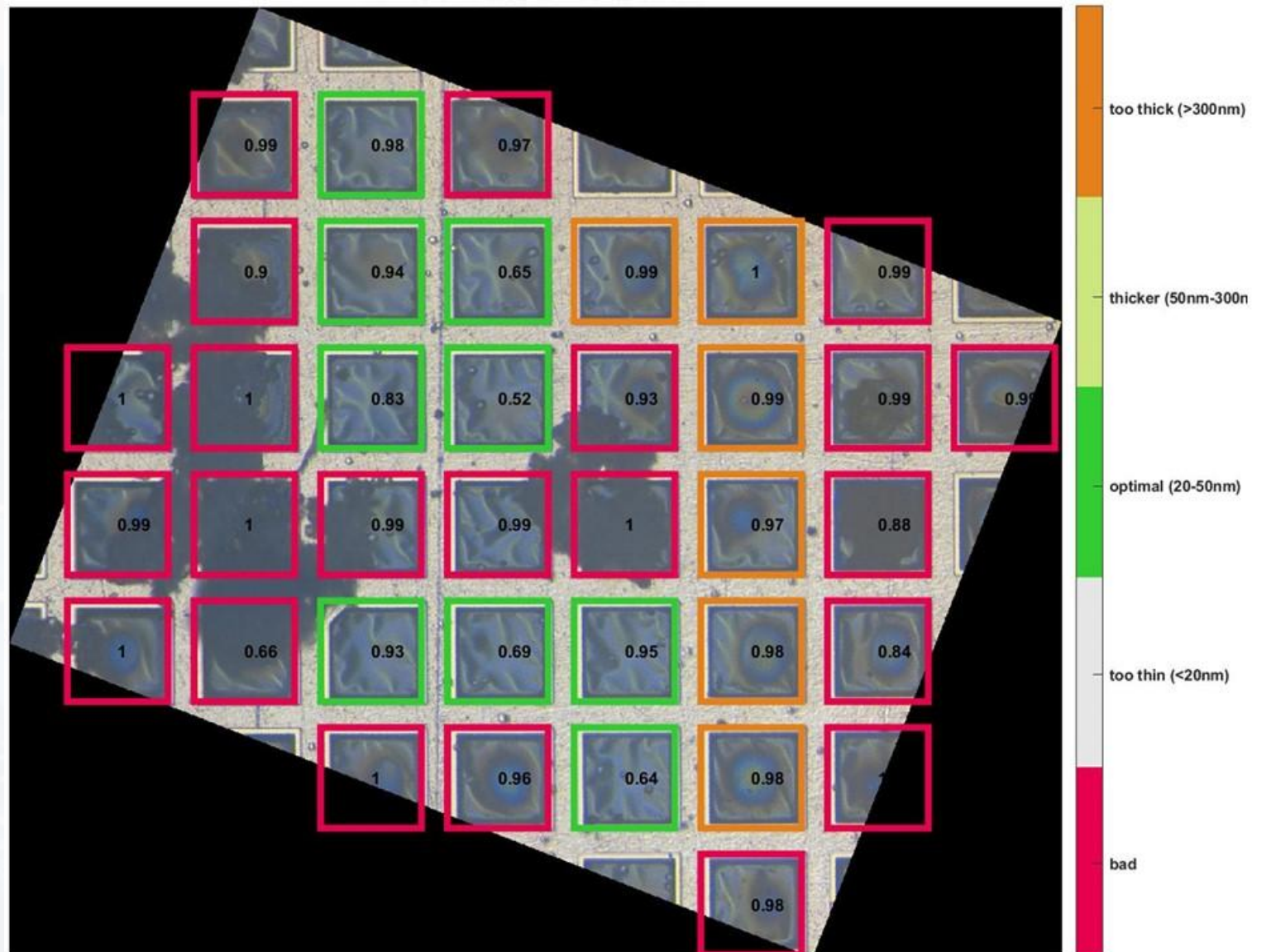
different pixel within images aka **segmentation**



■ _background_
■ Cat
■ Cat Tree



segmentation *for* classification

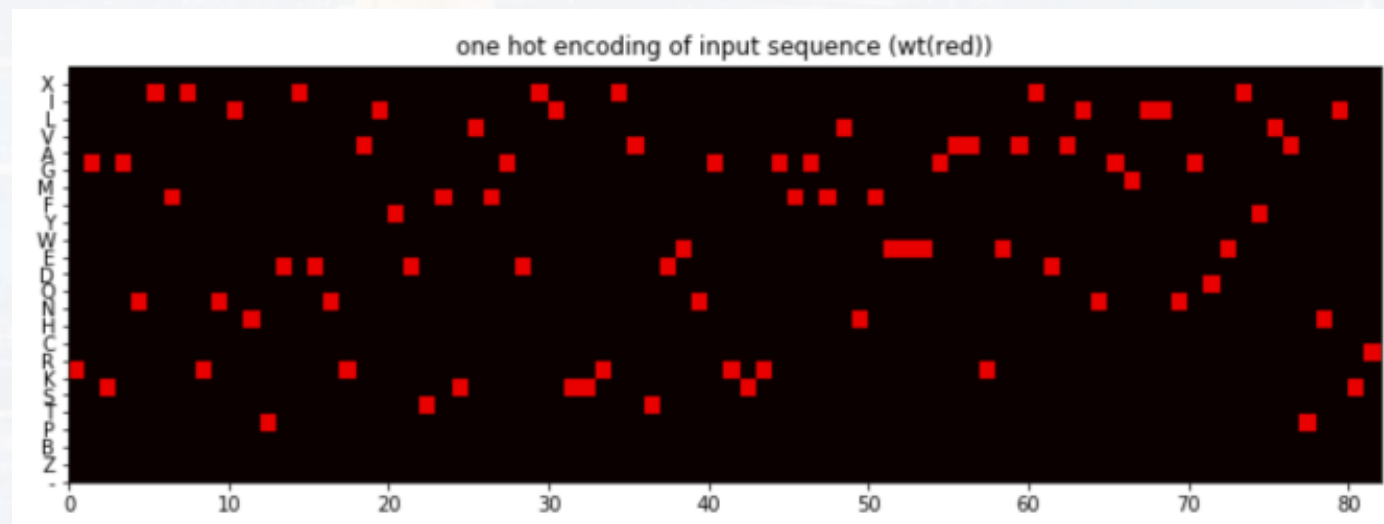




motif finding / sequence analysis

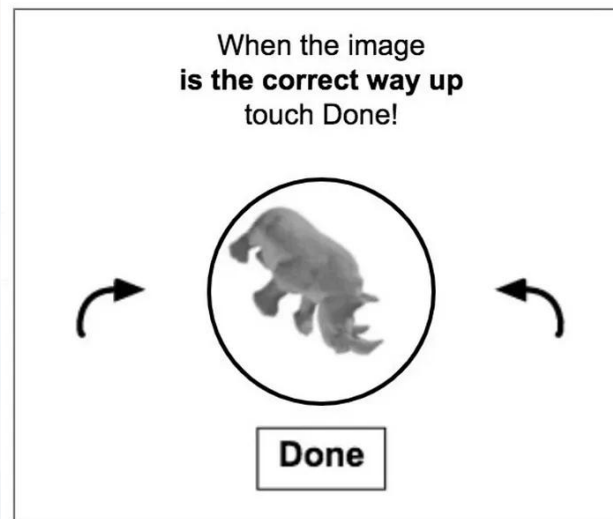
	C	A	G	T	C	T	A
4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	Sequence Length						

one – hot encoded NT or AA sequences
can be interpreted as b/w images!





regression:



turning images the right way

part of GenAI:



source: TopviewAI



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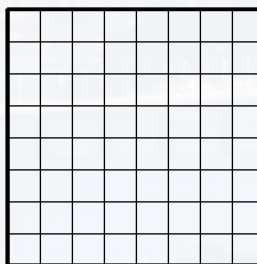
- goal:
- maintaining the spatial information
 - learning which features are important

- convolution
- training the convolution filter

What is convolution?

$$(f * g)(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(\zeta) \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\zeta}) d\zeta$$

image \mathbf{f} and filter \mathbf{g}



image

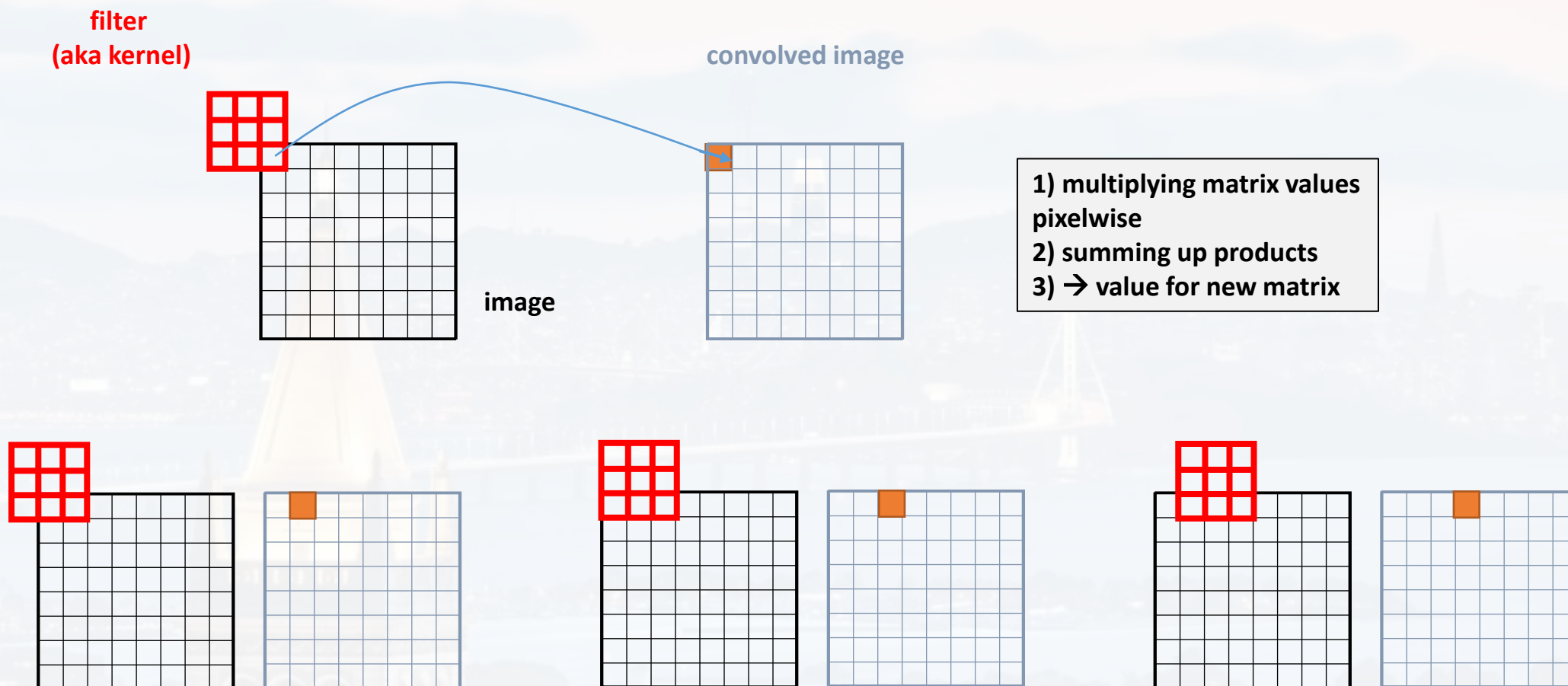


filter
(aka kernel)



What is convolution?

image f and filter g

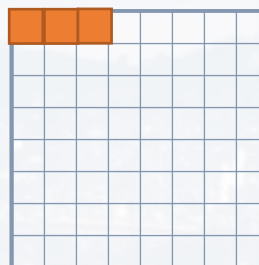
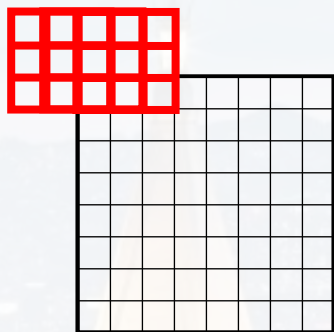




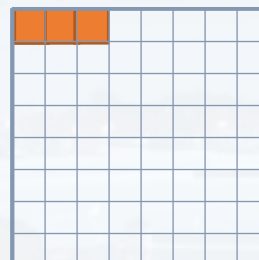
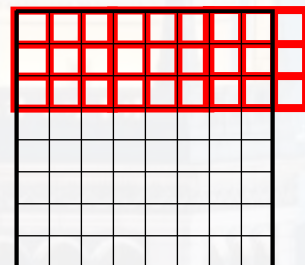
What is convolution?

image f and filter g

different techniques:



padding = 2; stride length = 1



padding = 0; stride length = 3

- 1) multiplying matrix values pixelwise
- 2) summing up products
- 3) \rightarrow value for new matrix

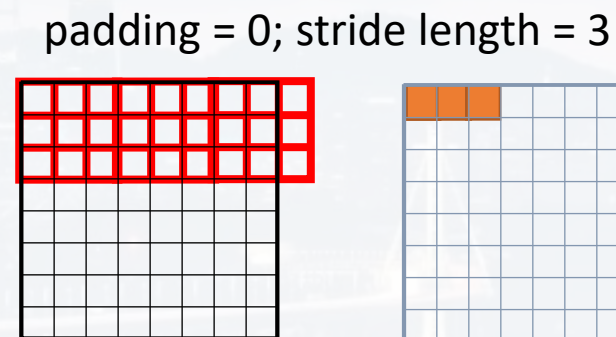
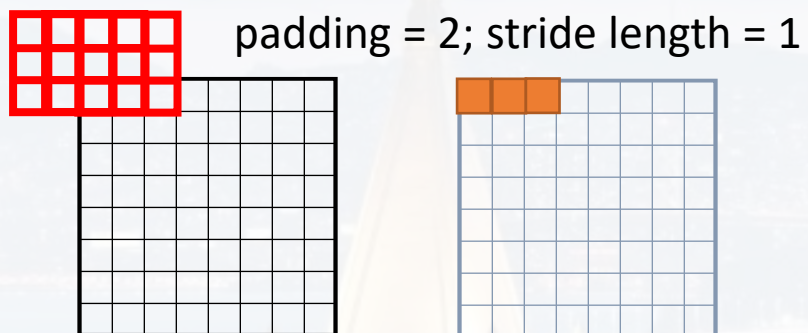


What is convolution?

image f and filter g

different techniques:

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the resulting image has the following size (N is the number of rows/columns):

$$N_{out} = \frac{(N_{in} - N_{filt} + 2 * padding)}{stride\ length} + 1$$

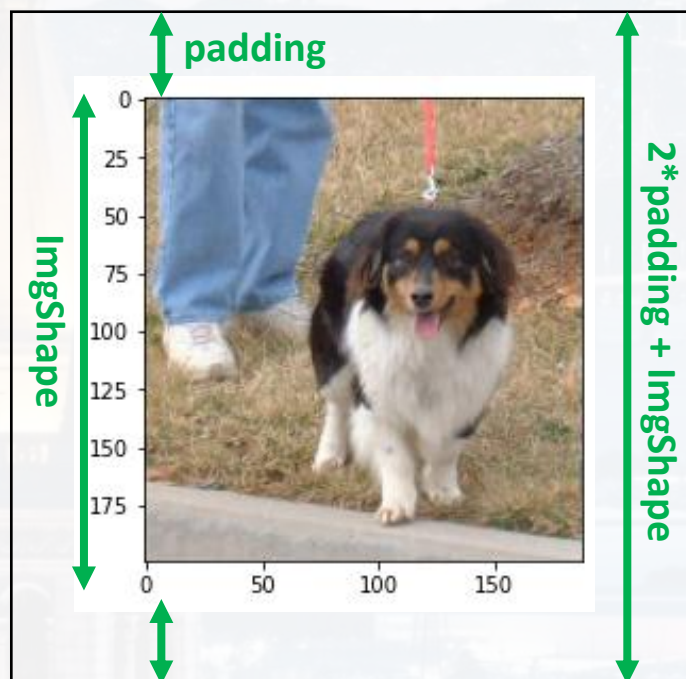


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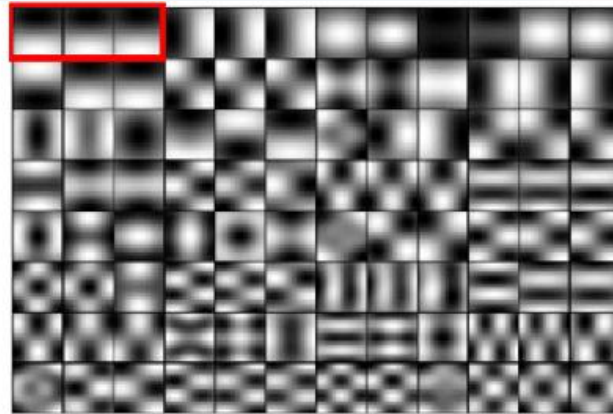




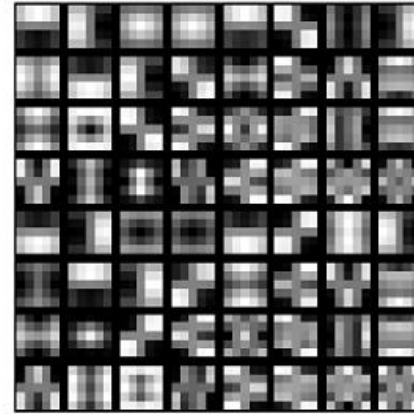
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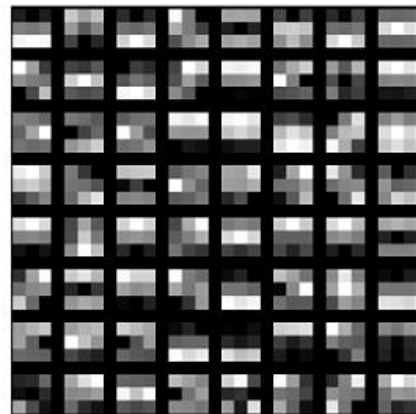
filters:



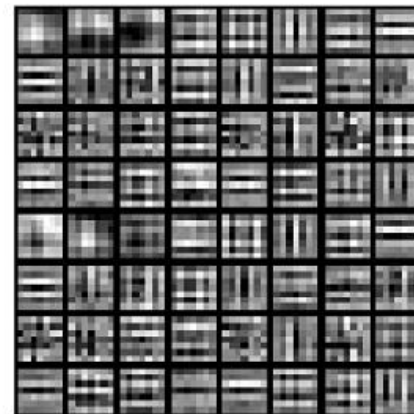
(a)



(b)



(c)



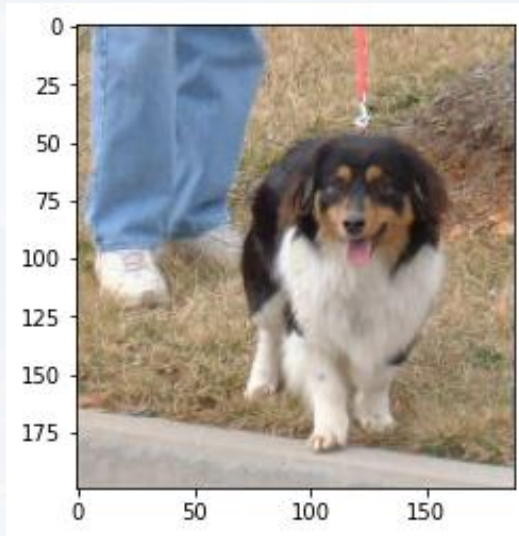
(d)

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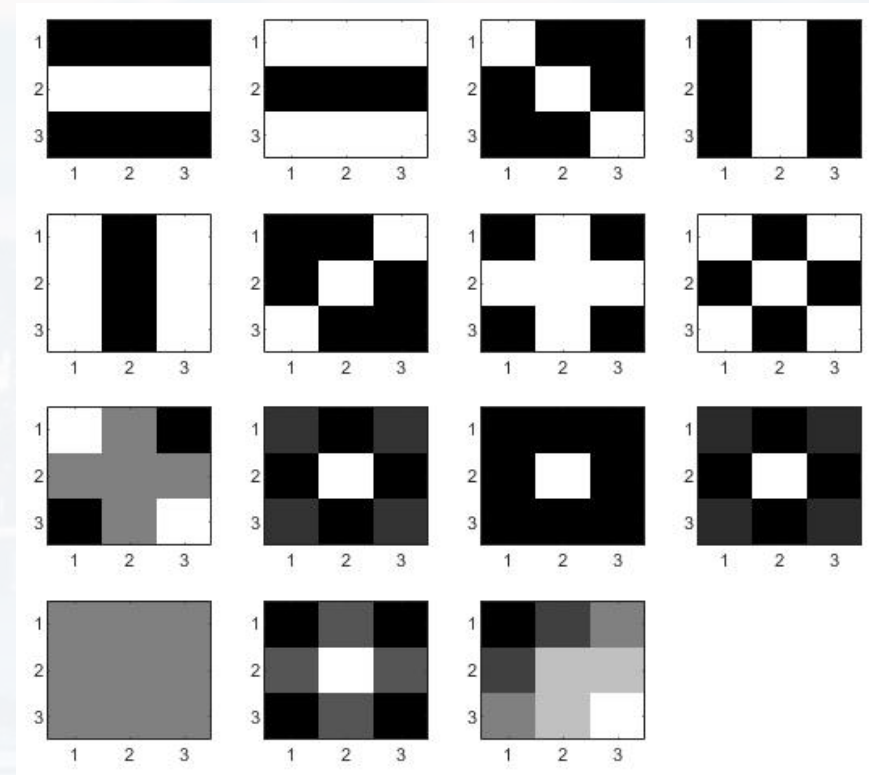


see `Convolution.ipynb` for the impact of different convolution filter on the image

image

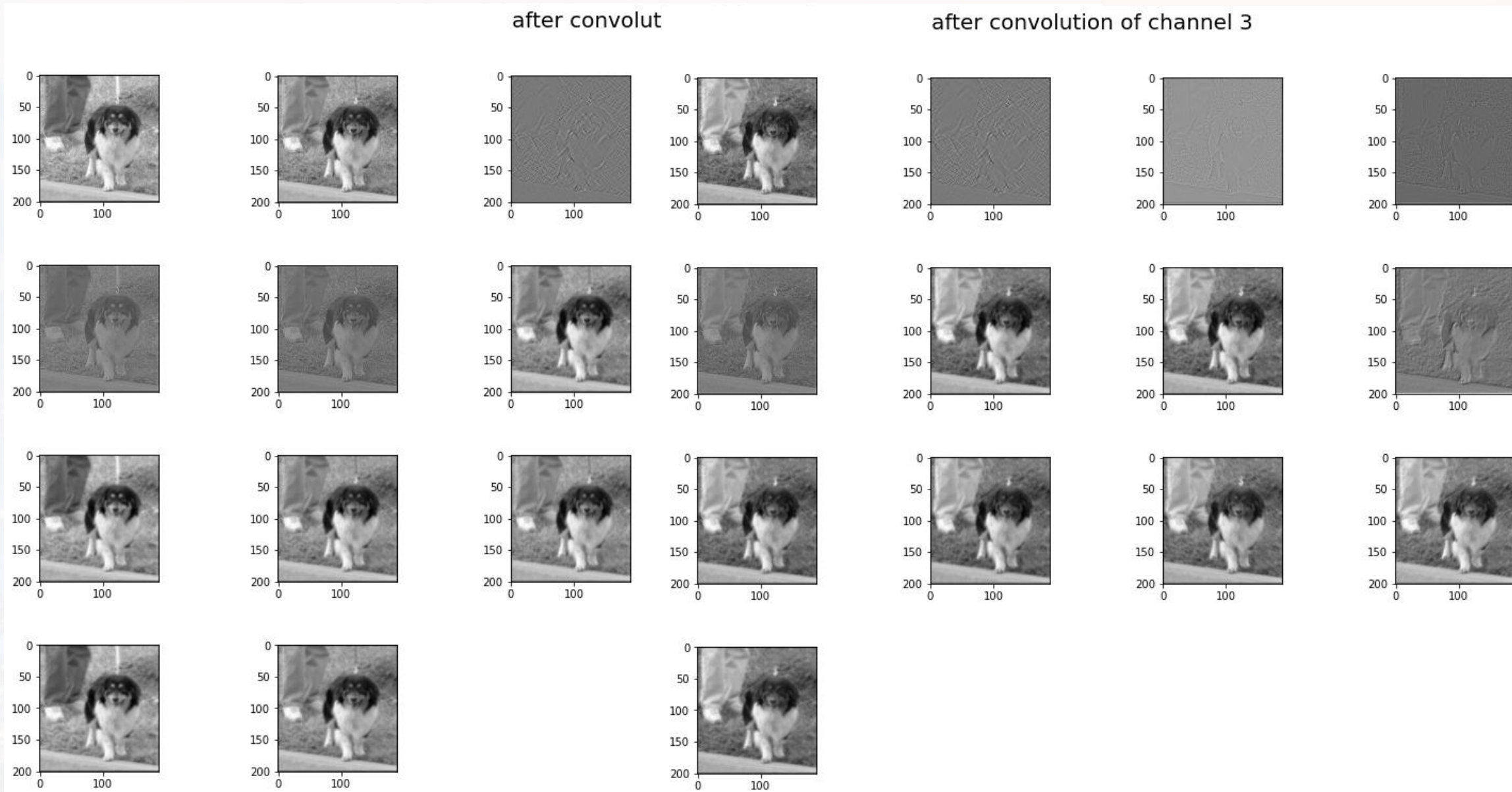


filter





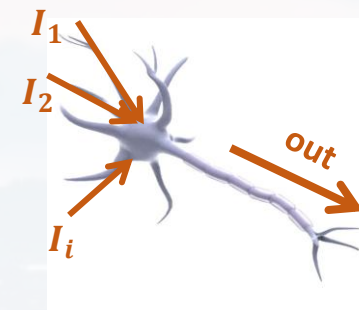
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- CNN:
- kernel act like **neurons with weights**
 - start with random values for all kernels
 - the ANN **learns the filter values**
 - that's how the ANN learns which features are important

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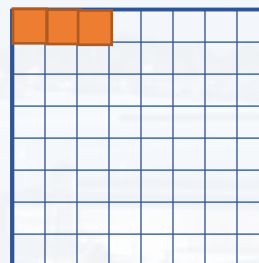
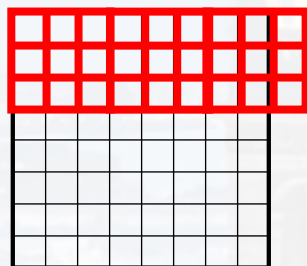
$$net = \sum_i I_i \cdot w_i + b$$

inputs are pixel values

kernel weights

$$\sum_i I_i \mathbf{w}_i + b$$

can be interpreted as a neuron!



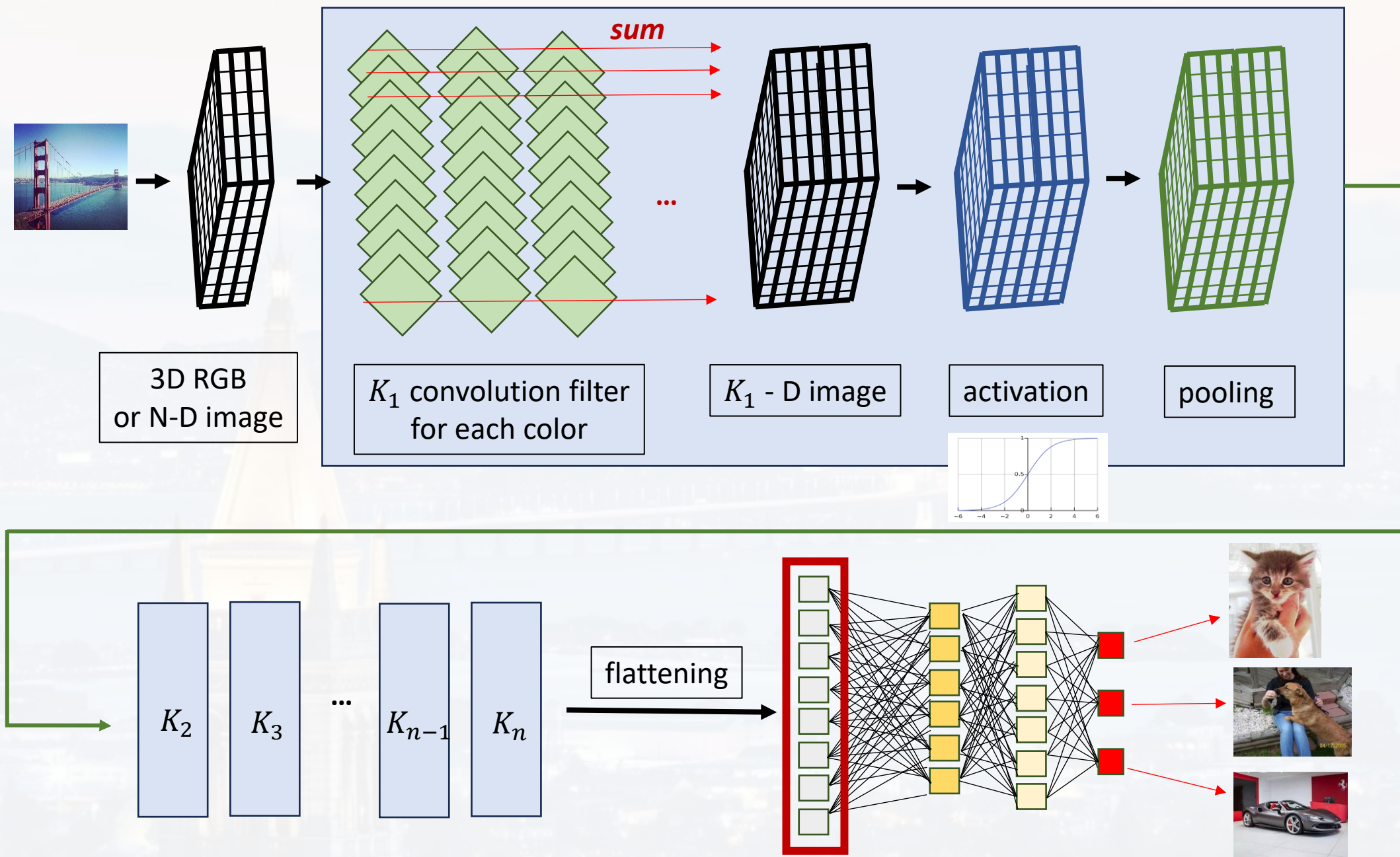


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classification





classification pooling:

there are three different main pooling methods

→ **average pool:**

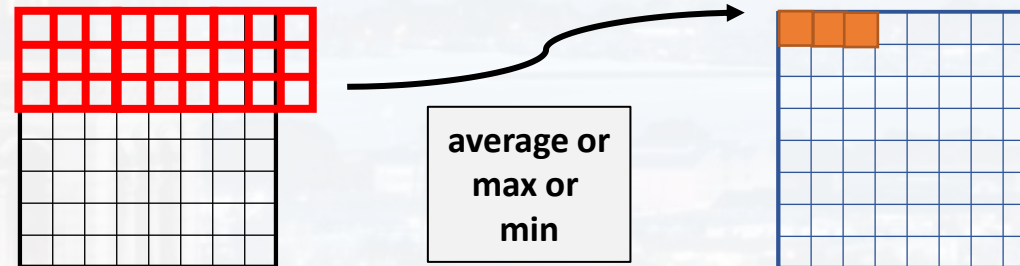
blurs the image, reduces edges
(not what we want here)

→ **max pool:**

reduces dark background (those pixel values are usually low) and **enhances brighter foreground objects** (exactly what we need here)

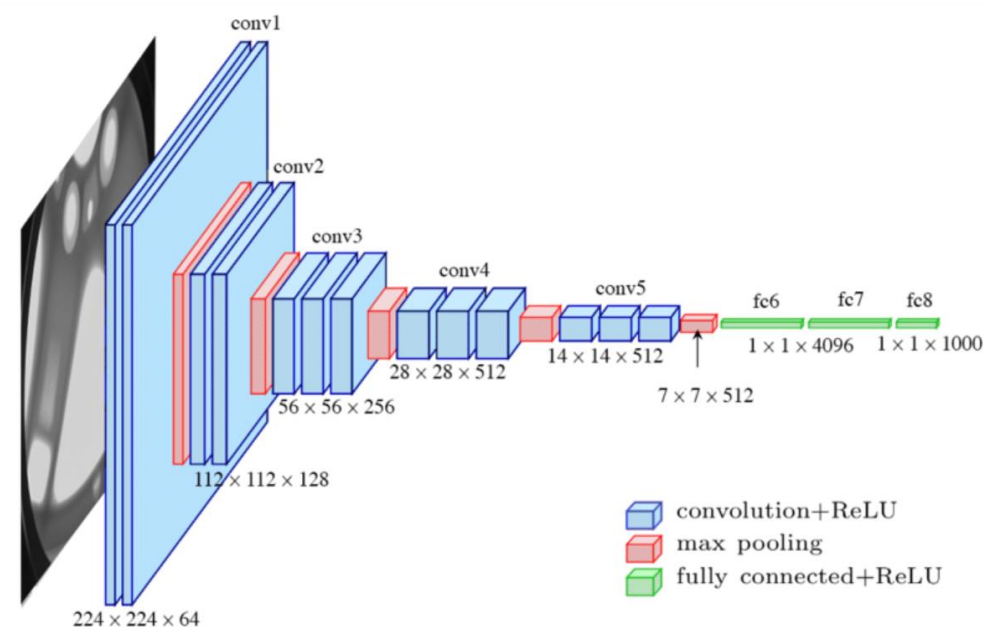
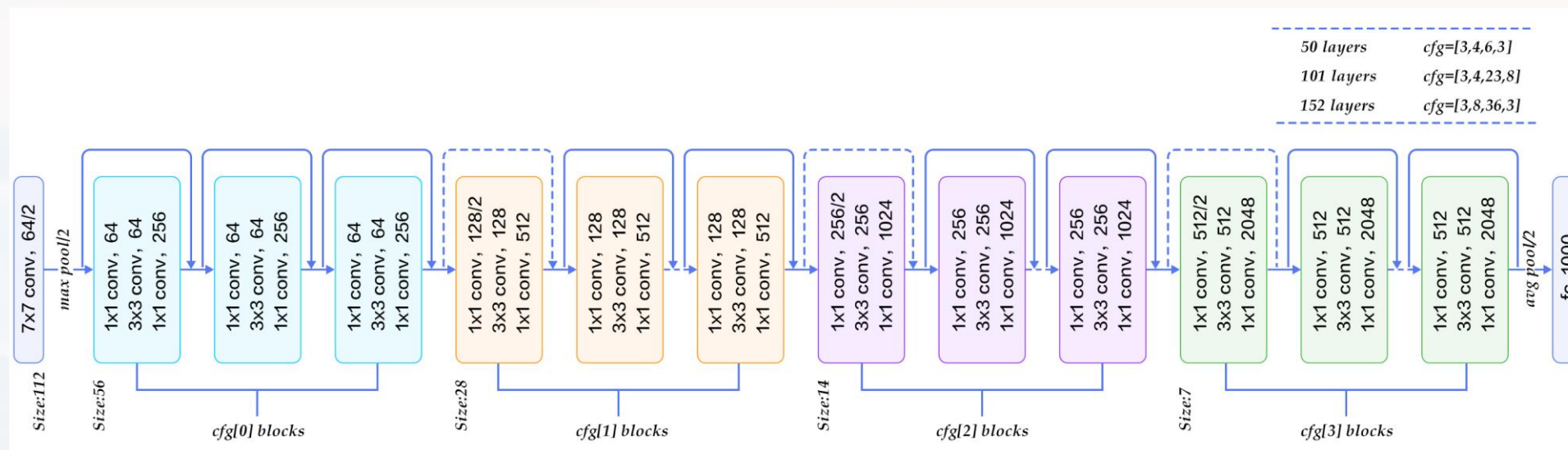
→ **min pool:**

does the opposite of max pool





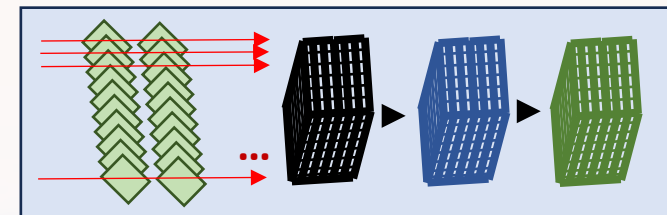
classification



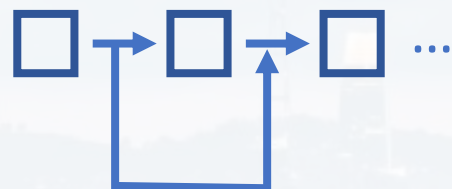


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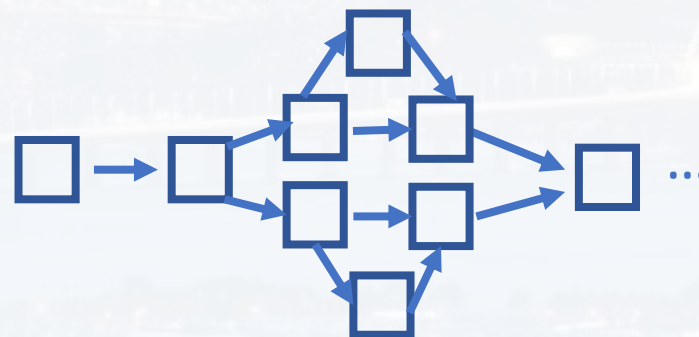
sequential CNNs



ResidualNet



Inception Net



many others...



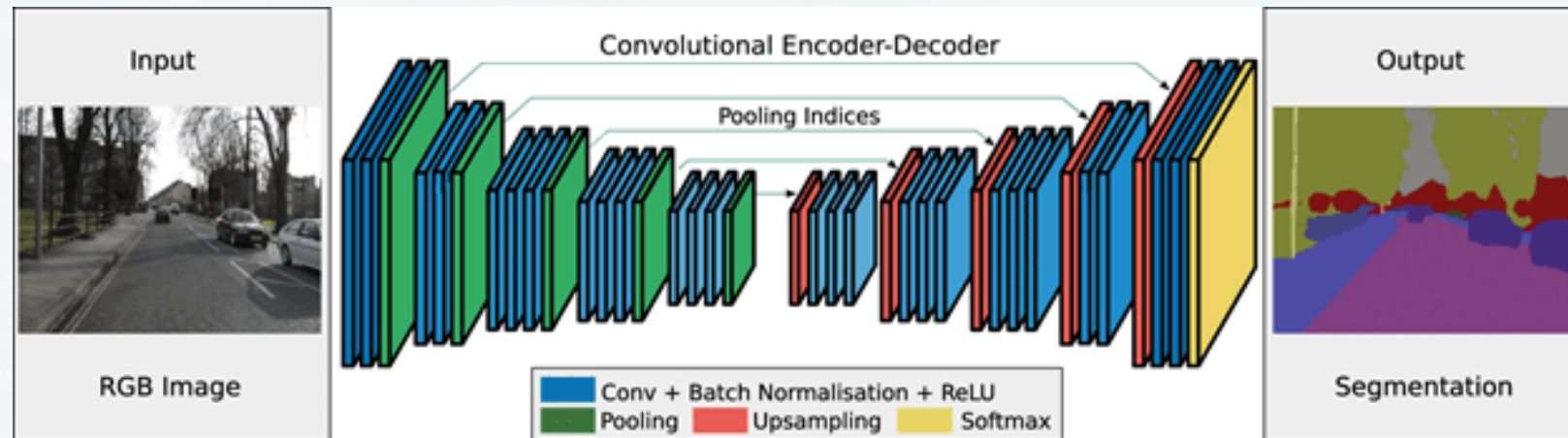
classification

common pretrained classification CNNs

Network	Depth	Size	Parameters (Millions)	rel computation time	Image Input Size
nasnetlarge	*	360 MB	88,9	45	331-by-331
darknet19	19	72.5 MB	21	5,5	256-by-256
densenet201	201	77 MB	20	22	224-by-224
resnet50	50	96 MB	25,6	3,5	224-by-224
resnet101	101	167 MB	44,6	5	224-by-224
inceptionv3	48	89 MB	23,9	8	299-by-299
resnet18	18	44 MB	11,7	1,8	224-by-224
xception	71	85 MB	22,9	12	299-by-299
darknet53	53	145 MB	41	10	256-by-256
inceptionresnetv2	164	209 MB	55,9	14	299-by-299
shufflenet	50	6.3 MB	1,4	1,5	224-by-224
googlenet	22	27 MB	7	2	224-by-224
mobilenetv2	53	13 MB	3,5	4	224-by-224
alexnet	8	227 MB	61	1,2	227-by-227
nasnetmobile	*	20 MB	5,3	5	224-by-224
squeezenet	18	4.6 MB	1,24	1	227-by-227
vgg16	16	515 MB	138	6,5	224-by-224
vgg19	19	535 MB	144	8,5	224-by-224



segmentation

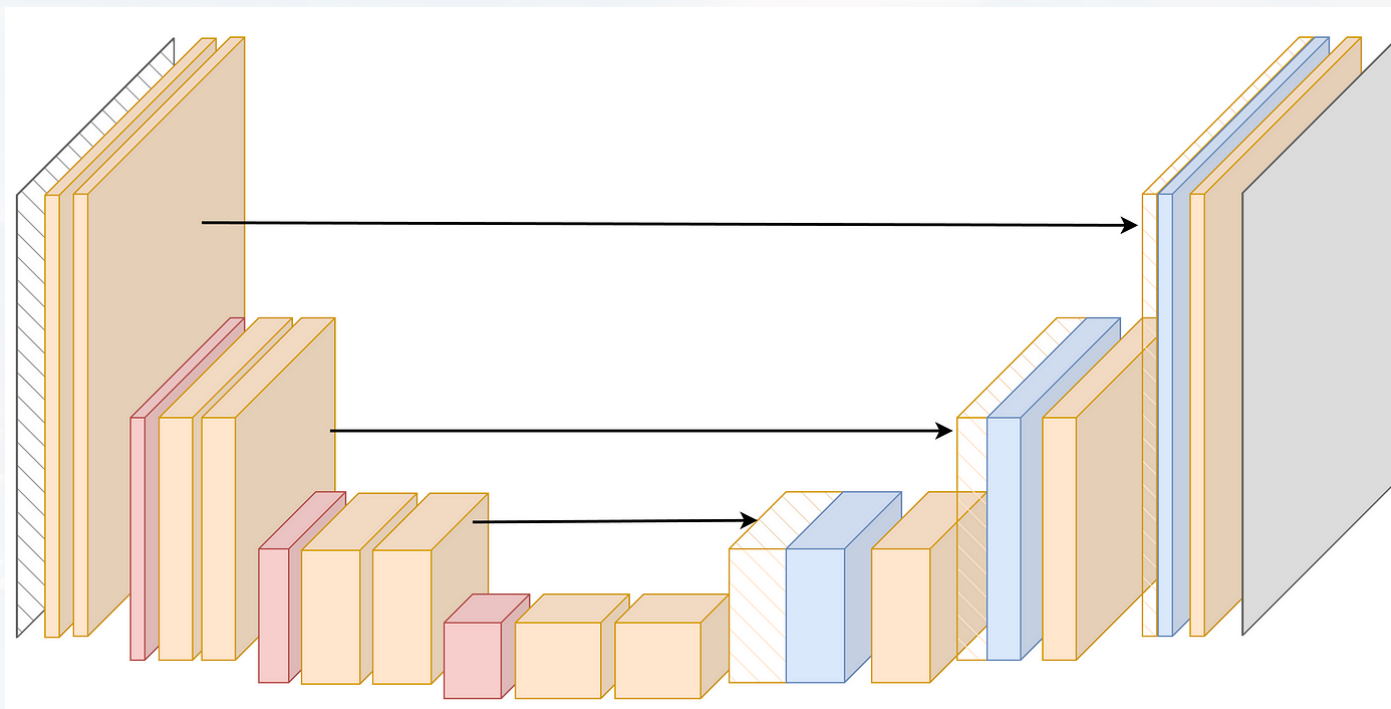


Vijay Badrinarayanan et. al 2017 "SegNet: A Deep Convolutional Encoder-Decoder Architecture for Image Segmentation"



segmentation

U-net segmentation CNN



<https://towardsdatascience.com/u-net-explained-understanding-its-image-segmentation-architecture-56e4842e313a>



segmentation

common pretrained segmentation CNNs

note: the input size is usually 5 – 10 times larger than compared to a classification CNN!

Type	Names
VGG	'vgg16' 'vgg19'
ResNet	'resnet18' 'resnet34' 'resnet50' 'resnet101' 'resnet152'
SE-ResNet	'seresnet18' 'seresnet34' 'seresnet50' 'seresnet101' 'seresnet152'
ResNeXt	'resnext50' 'resnext101'
SE-ResNeXt	'seresnext50' 'seresnext101'
SENet154	'senet154'
DenseNet	'densenet121' 'densenet169' 'densenet201'
Inception	'inceptionv3' 'inceptionresnetv2'
MobileNet	'mobilenet' 'mobilenetv2'
EfficientNet	'efficientnetb0' 'efficientnetb1' 'efficientnetb2' 'efficientnetb3' 'efficientnetb4' 'efficientnetb5' 'efficientnetb6' 'efficientnetb7'



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data acquisition

1) classes should be **well balanced**

2) dataset should be **diverse**



example Cryo-EM:

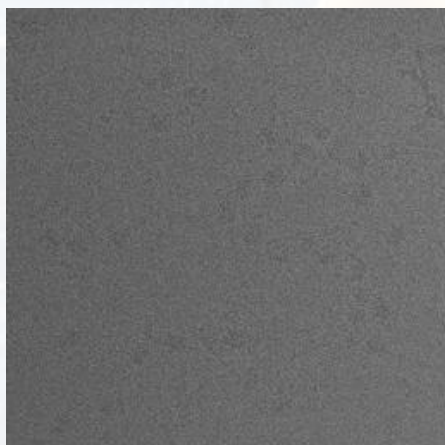
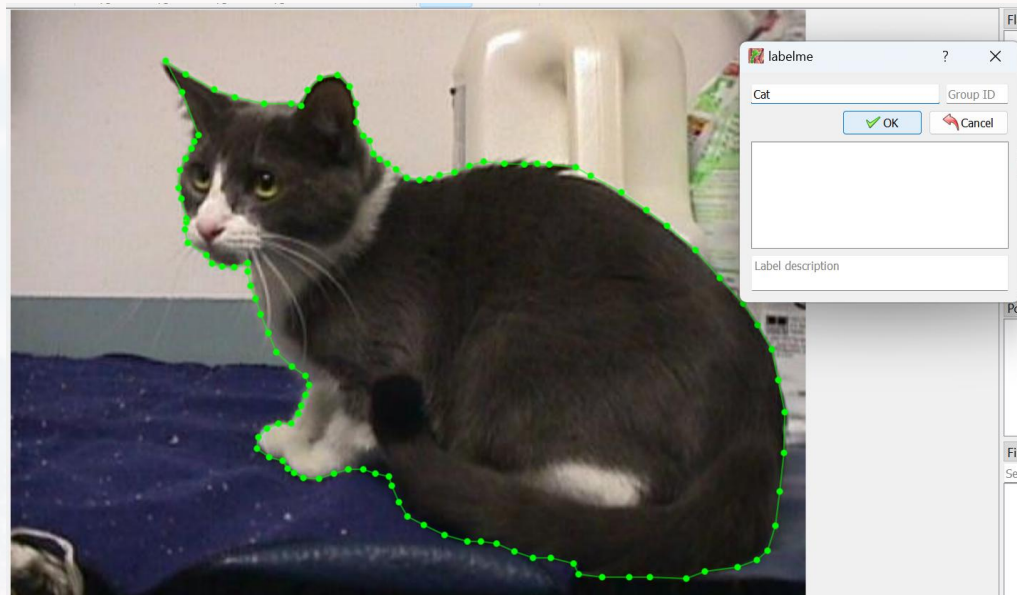
all grids (Cu, Au, ...)
all cameras
all grid manufacturers
all resolutions

3) **augmentation:** blurred, skewed, fragmented, stretched, turned etc
tip: write your own augmentation routine!



data labeling

be as accurate as possible!



micrograph Cryo-EM image

→ good, medium and bad based on ice crystals

→ Undergrad, Grad, PostDoc, **Senior Scientist**



data preprocessing

scaling:

Image Input Size
331-by-331
256-by-256
224-by-224
224-by-224

All images have to be scaled to the input size of the CNN!

normalization: images can be

- logical (values are zero **or** one)
- gray scale (2D) → adding two more “color channels”
- 8bit (range 255), 16bit (range 512) etc

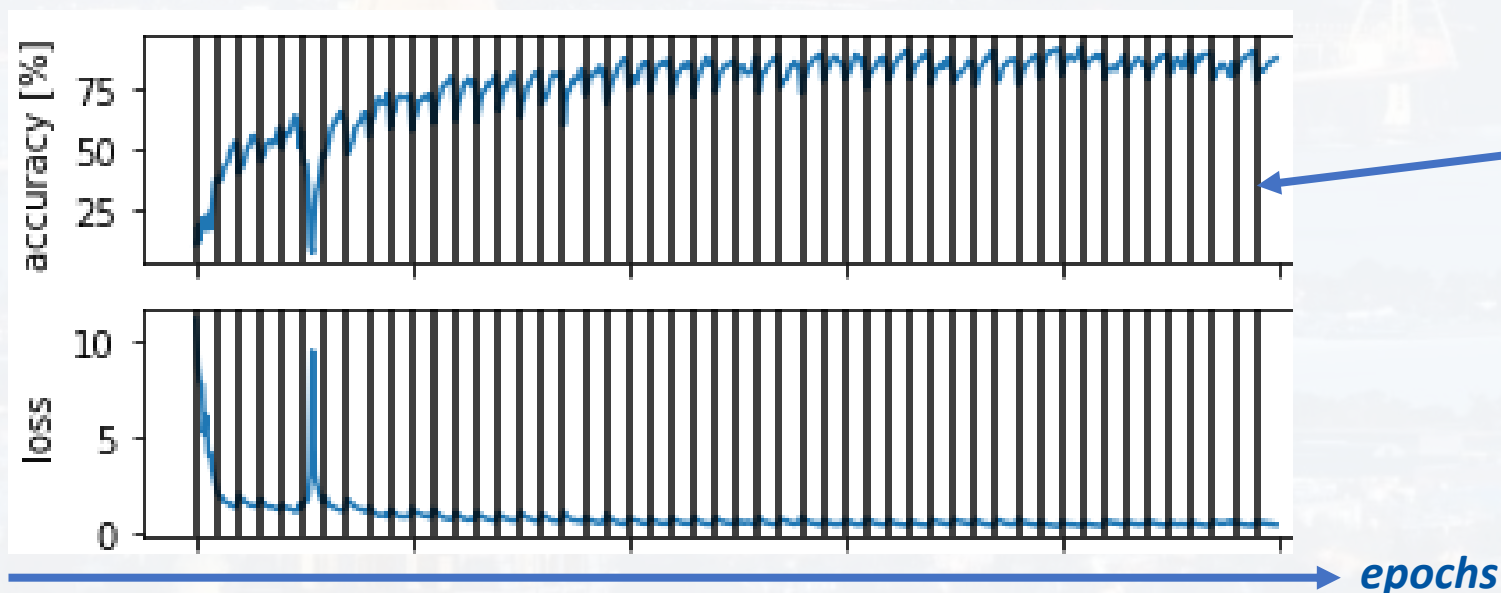


training

normalization: complex CNNs have many layers for normalization/re-centering/re-scaling
→ **batch normalization**

the training set is huge

- loading only a few images at the time (**mini batch**)
- the larger the mini batch, the better
- run only **a few iterations** per mini batch (avoiding local minima)
- check **training loss vs evaluation loss**





training

check out:

[Training MLP](#)

[Training CNN 2D](#)

[Training CNN 3D](#)



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constructing, running and testing LeNet → LeNet.ipynb

Model: "my_le_net_1"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 28, 28, 6)	156
average_pooling2d_2 (AveragePooling2D)	(None, 14, 14, 6)	0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)	(None, 10, 10, 16)	2416
average_pooling2d_3 (AveragePooling2D)	(None, 5, 5, 16)	0
conv2d_5 (Conv2D)	(None, 1, 1, 120)	48120
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 120)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 84)	10164
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 10)	850

=====
Total params: 61706 (241.04 KB)
Trainable params: 61706 (241.04 KB)
Non-trainable params: 0 (0.00 Byte)

input = (N images, 28 x 28 pixel, 3 colors)
output = (N images, 28 x 28 pixel, 6 Conv filter)

6 Conv filter * shape (5, 5) = 150
plus 1 bias for each filter → total 156

Each image is represented by a vector of length 120

output layer: one neuron for each class



constructing, running and testing LeNet → LeNet.ipynb

```
running model...
Epoch 1/20
94/94 [=====] - 9s 92ms/step - loss: 1.1172 - accuracy: 0.7160 - val_loss: 0.4217 - val_accuracy: 0.8838
Epoch 2/20
94/94 [=====] - 8s 88ms/step - loss: 0.3577 - accuracy: 0.8990 - val_loss: 0.3096 - val_accuracy: 0.9109
Epoch 3/20
94/94 [=====] - 7s 73ms/step - loss: 0.2876 - accuracy: 0.9163 - val_loss: 0.2606 - val_accuracy: 0.9231
Epoch 4/20
94/94 [=====] - 8s 90ms/step - loss: 0.2444 - accuracy: 0.9287 - val_loss: 0.2238 - val_accuracy: 0.9333
Epoch 5/20
94/94 [=====] - 7s 69ms/step - loss: 0.2113 - accuracy: 0.9376 - val_loss: 0.1944 - val_accuracy: 0.9423
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epoch: passing the entire dataset through the network

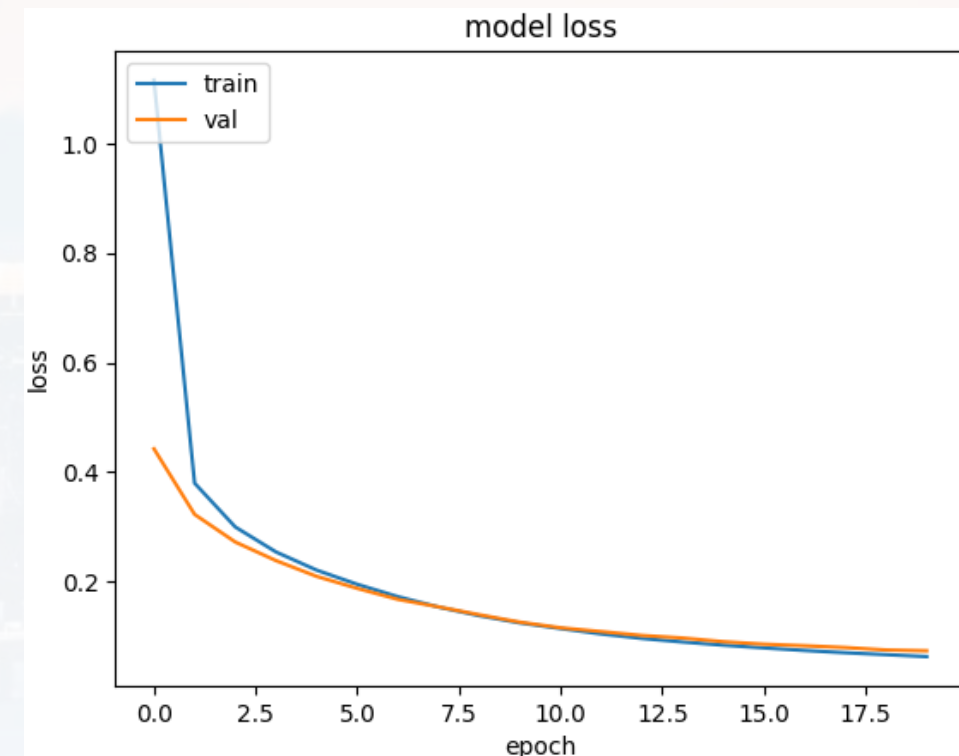
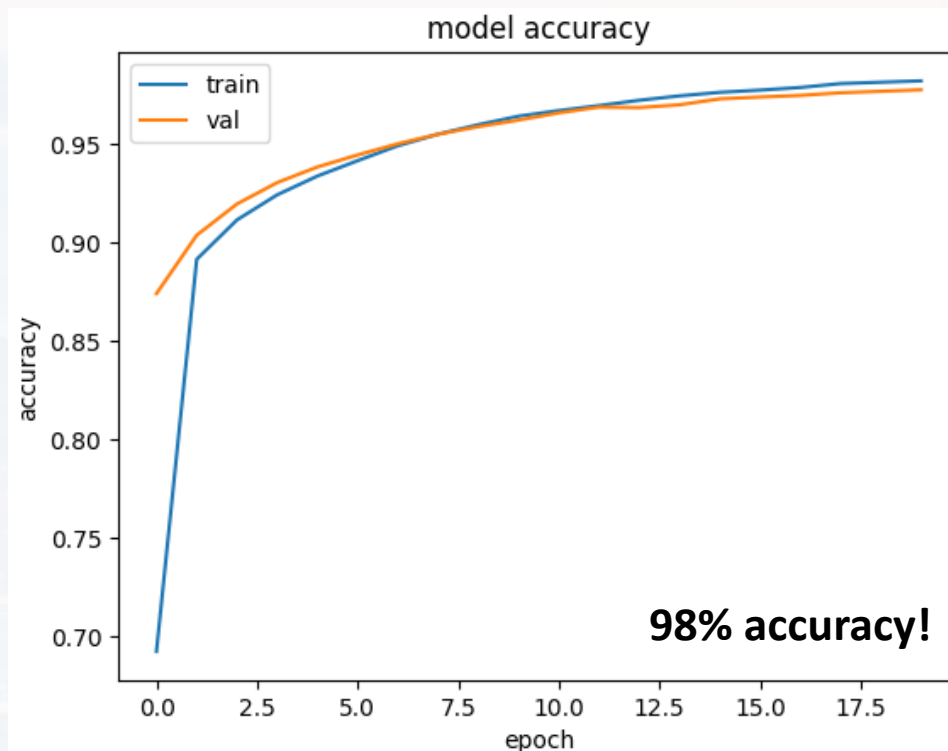
60,000 images / batch size = **512**

= **117** iterations per epoch

= **117 * 80%** for training = **94 iterations per epoch**



constructing, running and testing LeNet → LeNet.ipynb



training loss should \approx validation loss

if validation loss \gg training loss → overfitting

- too many parameter
- too few images in batch
- too specific/unique batch)



constructing, running and testing LeNet → LeNet.ipynb

7, P = 1.0 7	7, P = 0.99 7	7, P = 1.0 7	5 3	8, P = 1.0 8	4, P = 1.0 4	0, P = 1.0 0
6, P = 1.0 6	4, P = 1.0 4	2, P = 0.85 0	3 7	0, P = 1.0 0	5, P = 0.99 5	3, P = 1.0 3
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3, P = 1.0 3	6, P = 1.0 6	4, P = 1.0 4	5, P = 1.0 5	5, P = 1.0 5	7, P = 1.0 7	9 7
4, P = 0.99 4	0, P = 1.0 0	1, P = 1.0 1	5, P = 0.99 5	5, P = 1.0 5	5, P = 1.0 5	7, P = 0.99 7



Thank you for your attention!

