Facial Emotion Detection

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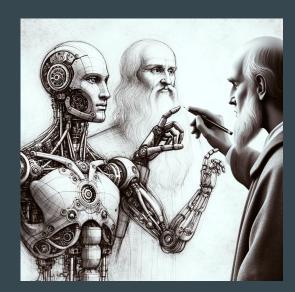
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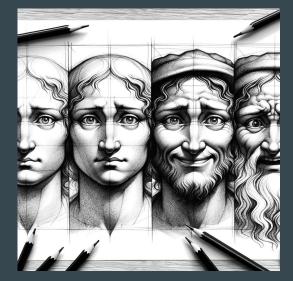
Main Question

Facial Emotion recognition for the non computer savvy.

How can a machine (like a PC computer with a camera) recognize not only a human face but the emotion the face is showing.

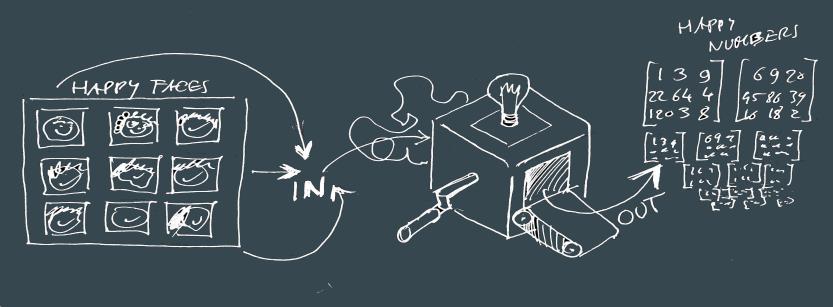






How to turn a face image into a mathematical object (array)

Computers only understand numbers, so the first task is to turn an image of a face into



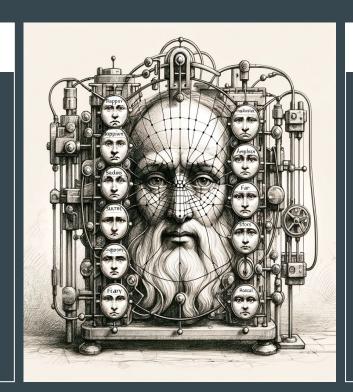
We can accomplish this with python and specific libraries like numpy

This task is possible with Deep Learning.

Deep Learning

This is the method through which a machine can learn to recognize anything.

By feeding thousands of pictures to the machine and "nudging" the machine in the right direction.

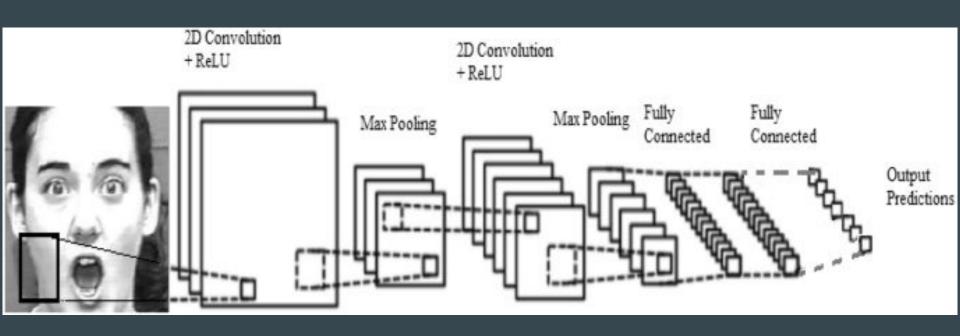


Machine Learning

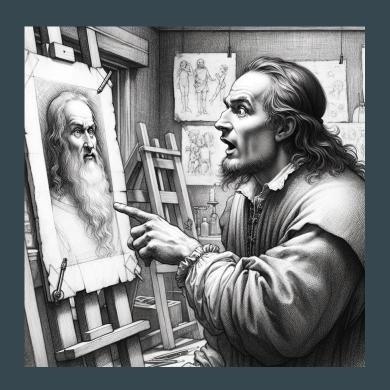
A machine such as a high power computer, can be taught how to recognize emotions.

The process utilizes millions of mathematical operations that the machine can process in real time.

Anatomy of a Deep Learning Model.



Target: 70%+ correctly recognized emotions



 Like humans, machines can also be trained over and over again and improve their performance.
 We call this:

Convolutional Networks

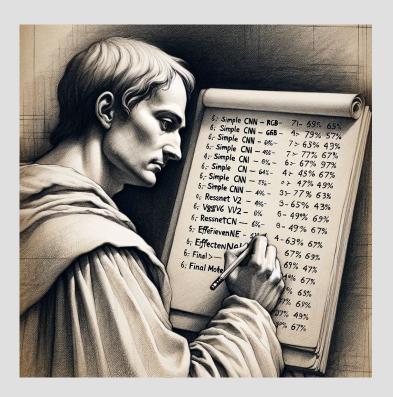
Unlike humans, they can be "fed" a
pre-learned amount of data so that
further learning will be easier.
We call this:

Transfer Learning

We used both methodologies.

All models used for learning

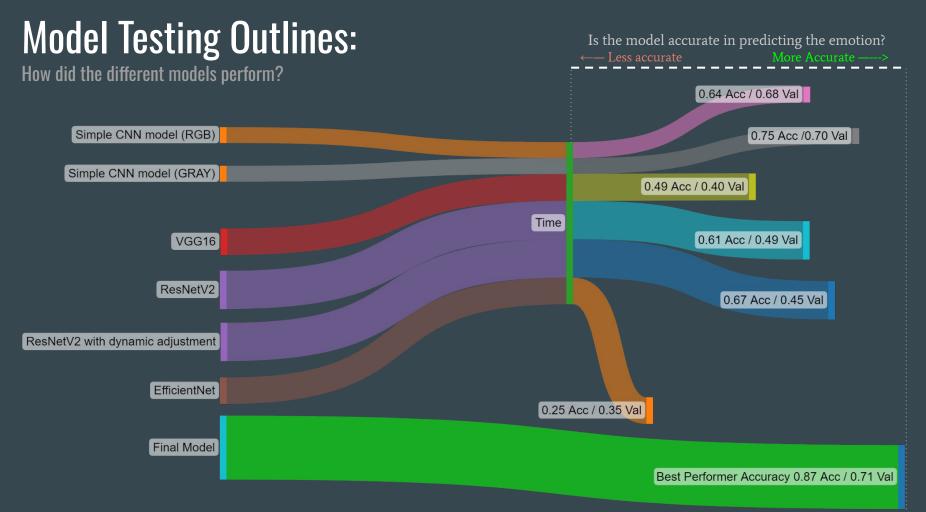
(we tried it all)



Convolutional Networks CNN Simple CNN RGB - 64% Simple CNN GRAY- 75%

Transfer Learning Networks VGG16- 49% ResNetV2- 61% EfficientNet- 67%

Final CNN Model- 87%



Proposed next steps:

Adopt a production Environment (IDE)

- PyCharm, VSCode...
- Set up a testing environment on a linux server

CV2 - MediaPipe -MMpose - OpenPose

- Set up several unittest environments
- Gather results

Select the best model

- Make a selection based on performance
- Rebuild the model

Production

- Create an app for facial Emotion Recognition
- Deploy the app (phone preferred or web)

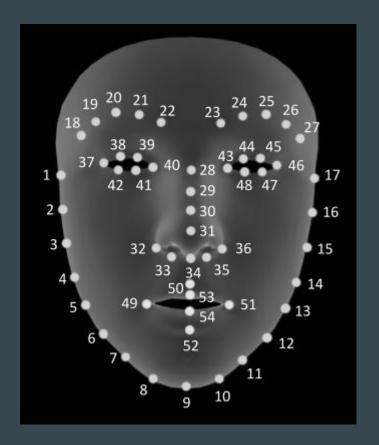
This takes TIME, TIME, TIME...

FaceMesh Model (by MediaPipe Google)

Google Library that allows access to Developers and with the use of CV2 library, able to detect faces by creating a mesh of points.

Once the mesh is established, coding emotions in it is a simple classification task.





Thank you!



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