

# CS231n: Deep Learning for Computer Vision

## Lecture 1 - Overview

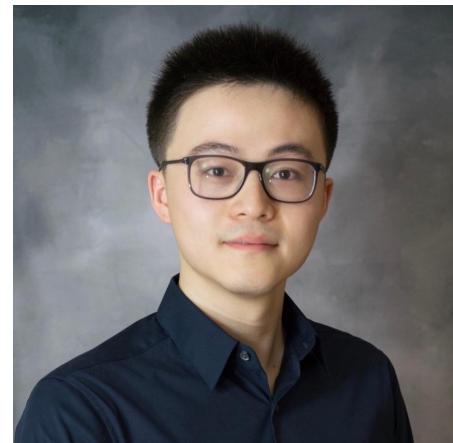
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- A brief history of computer vision
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# Deep Learning Basics

- Image Classification: A core task in Computer Vision



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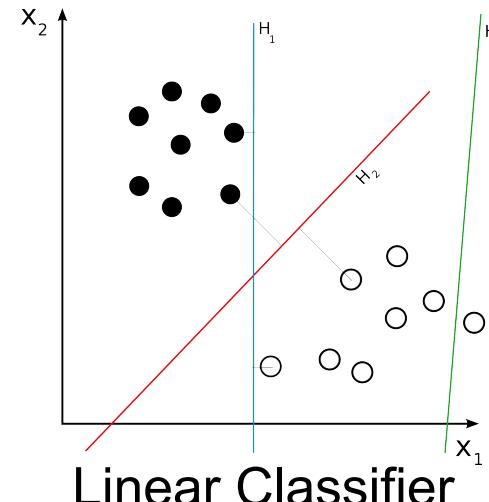
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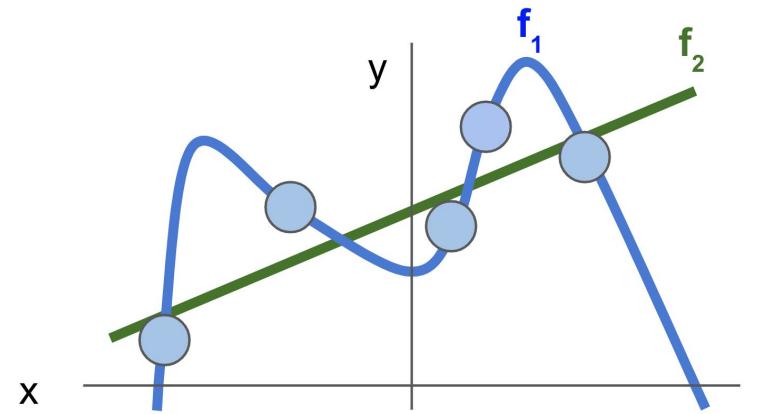


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Regularization & Optimization

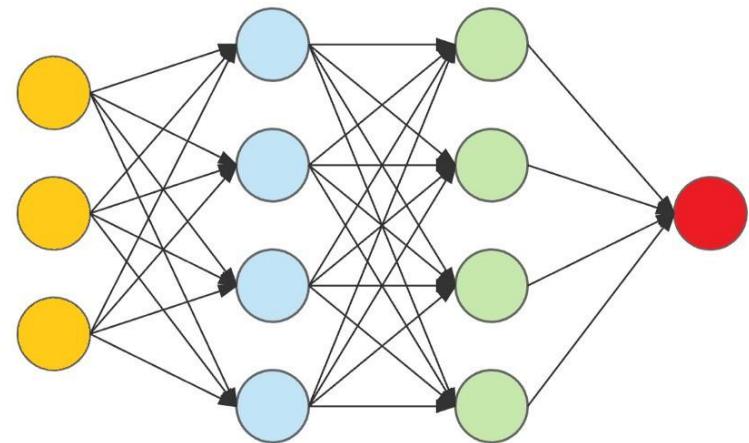
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Neural Networks

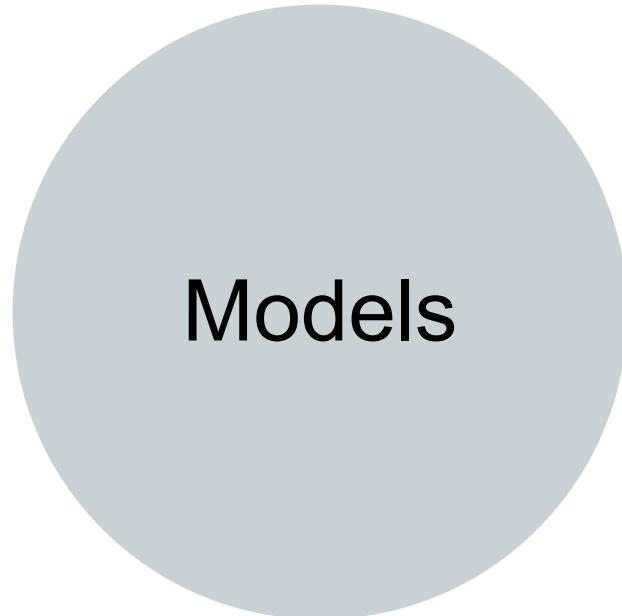
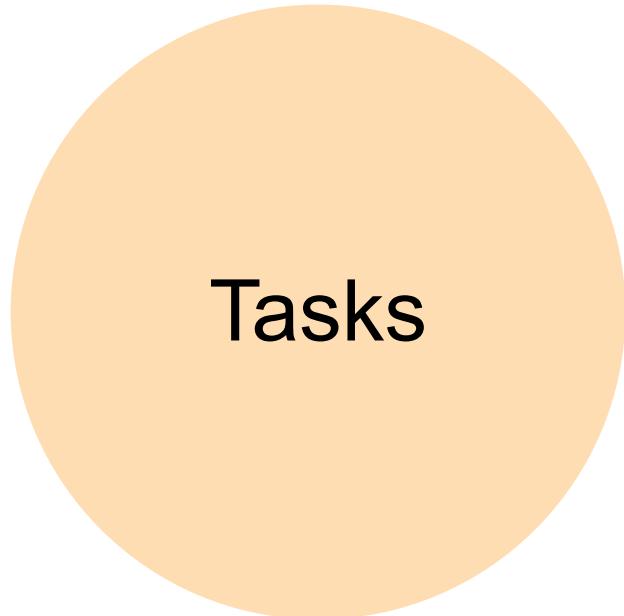
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# Perceiving and Understanding the Visual World



# Tasks Beyond Image Classification

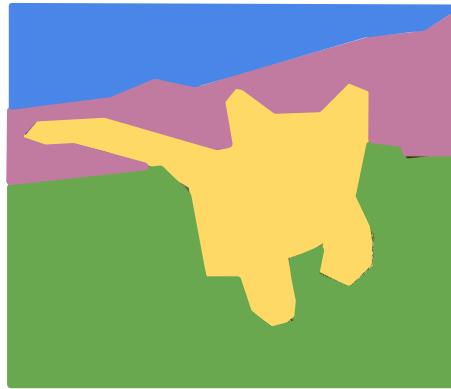
Classification



CAT

No spatial extent

Semantic Segmentation



GRASS, CAT,  
TREE, SKY

No objects, just pixels

Object Detection



DOG, DOG, CAT

Multiple Object

Instance Segmentation



DOG, DOG, CAT

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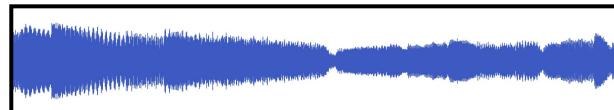
# Tasks Beyond Image Classification

**Video  
Classification**

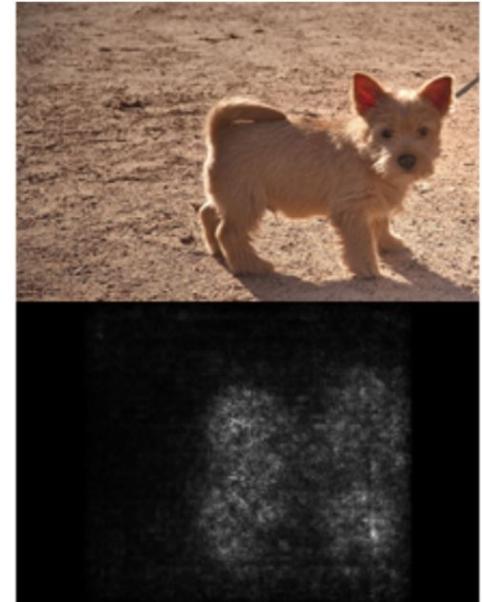


Running?  
Jumping?

**Multimodal Video  
Understanding**



**Visualization &  
Understanding**



# Models Beyond Multi-Layer Perceptron

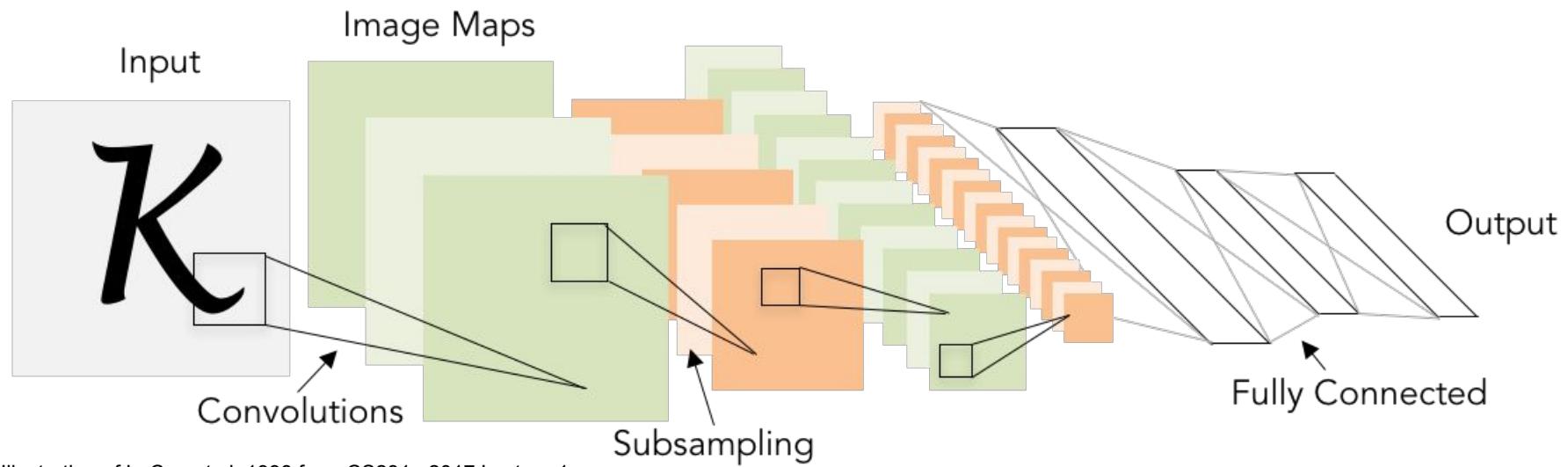
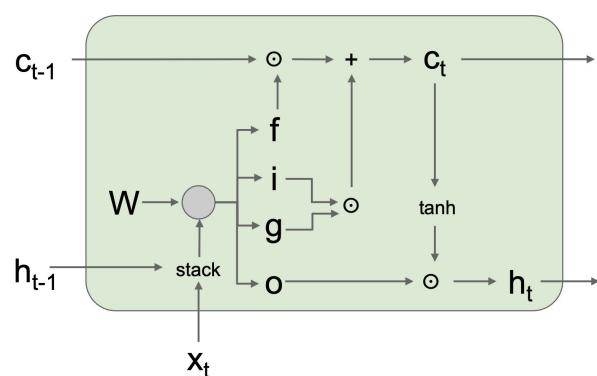
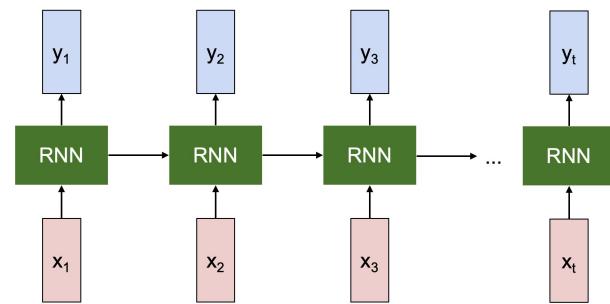


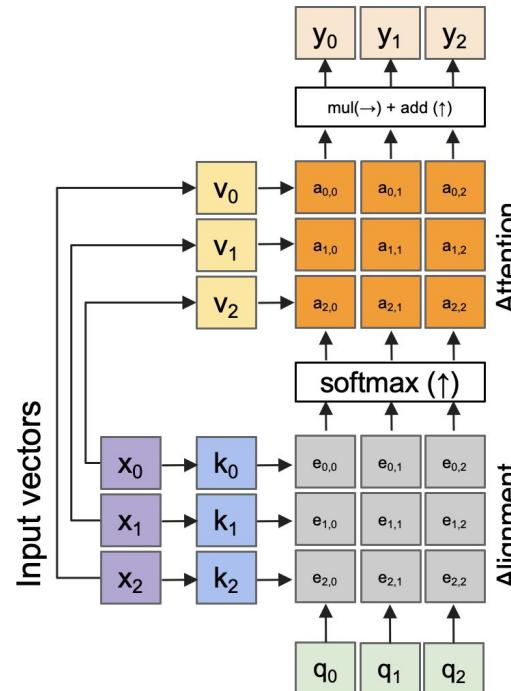
Illustration of LeCun et al. 1998 from CS231n 2017 Lecture 1

Convolutional neural network

# Models Beyond Multi-Layer Perceptron



Recurrent neural network



Attention mechanism / Transformers

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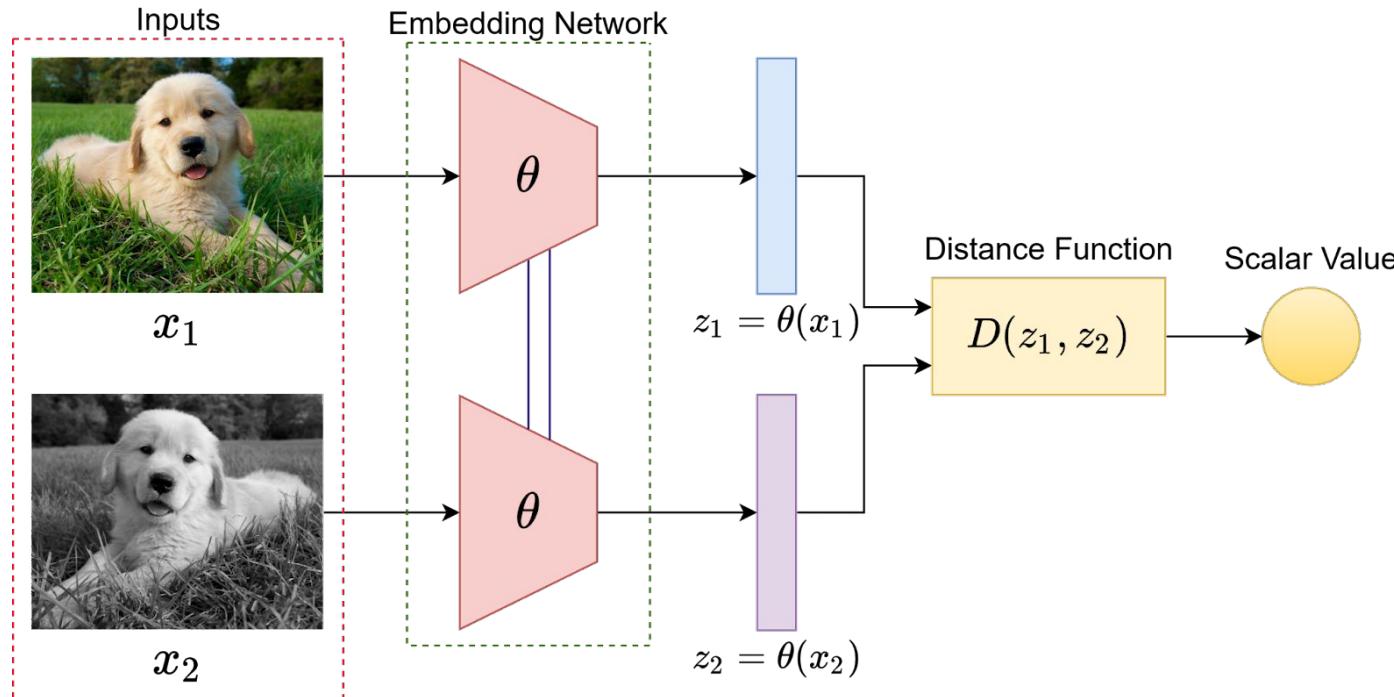
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# Beyond 2D Recognition

# Beyond 2D Recognition: Self-supervised Learning



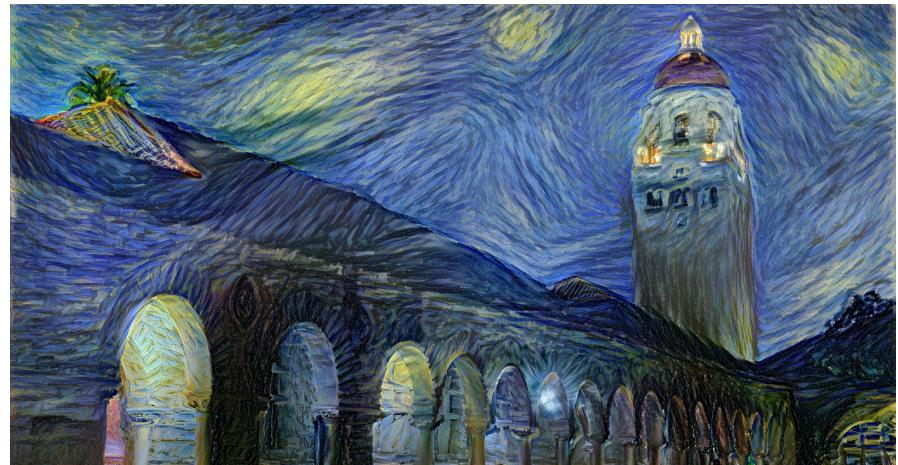
# Beyond 2D Recognition: Generative Modeling



“Teddy bears working on new  
AI research underwater with  
1990s technology”

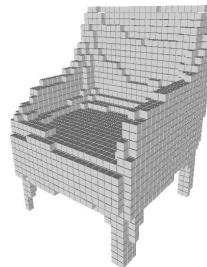
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# Beyond 2D Recognition: Generative Modeling



Style Transfer

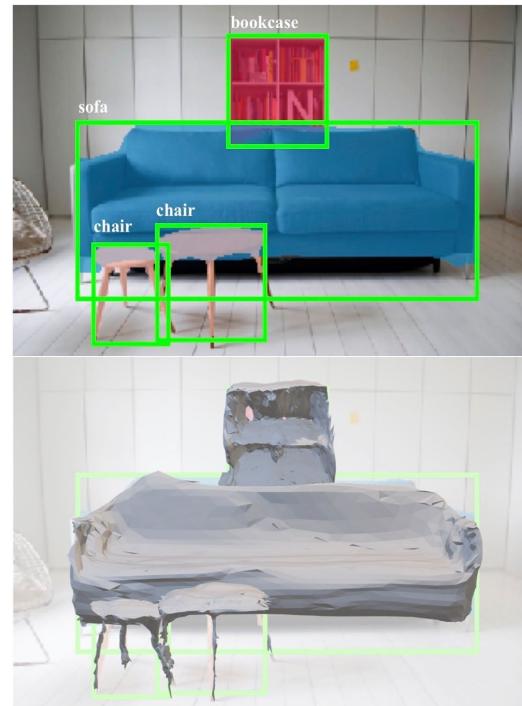
# Beyond 2D Recognition: 3D Vision



Choy et al., 3D-R2N2: Recurrent Reconstruction Neural Network (2016)



Zhou et al., 3D Shape Generation and Completion through Point-Voxel Diffusion (2021)



Gkioxari et al., "Mesh R-CNN", ICCV 2019

# Beyond 2D Recognition: Embodied Intelligence



Clean Your House After a Wild Party

BEHAVIOR Task #1

Li et al., BEHAVIOR-1K: A Benchmark for Embodied AI with 1,000 Everyday Activities and Realistic Simulation (2022)



Mandlekar and Xu et al., Learning to Generalize Across Long-Horizon Tasks from Human Demonstrations (2020)

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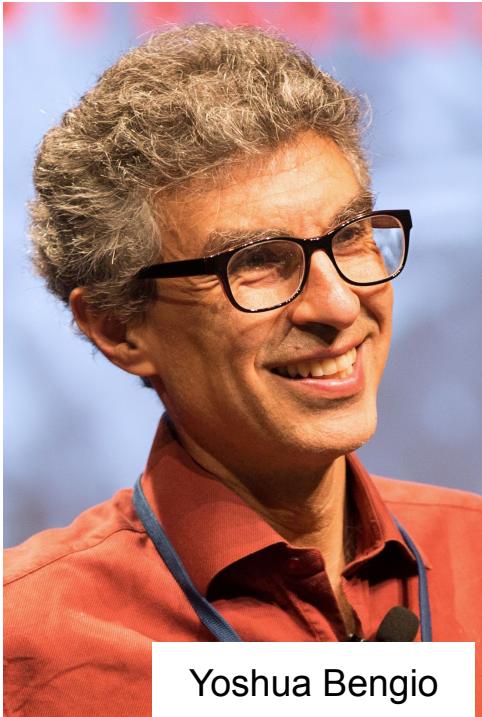
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# 2018 Turing Award for deep learning

most prestigious technical award, is given for major contributions of lasting importance to computing.



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# IEEE PAMI Longuet-Higgins Prize

Award recognizes ONE Computer Vision paper from **ten years ago** with **significant impact** on computer vision research.

At CVPR 2019, it was awarded to the 2009 original ImageNet paper

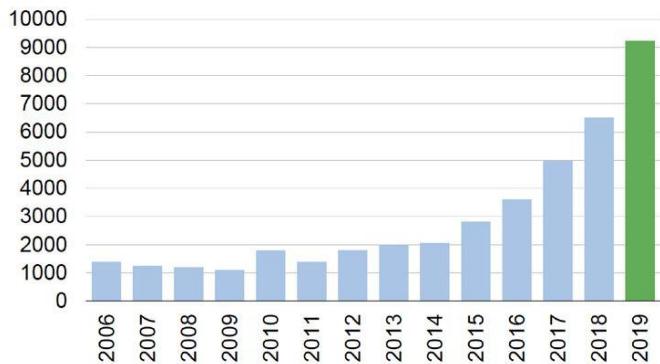


# CVPR 2019

Long Beach, CA  
June 16<sup>th</sup> - June 20<sup>th</sup>



CVPR Attendance Trend



JUNE 18-22, 2023

# CVPR



VANCOUVER, CANADA

>9k submissions, 2,360 accepted papers

# Logistics

## Instructors



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Bokui (William) Shen



Haochen Shi



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Manuka Stratta



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Amelie Byun

# Lectures

- **Tuesdays and Thursdays between 12:00 PM to 1:20 PM at NVIDIA Auditorium**
- **Lectures will not be streamed on Zoom** but will be broadcasted live via Panopto
- Slides will be posted on the course website shortly before each lecture
- All lectures will be recorded and uploaded to [Canvas](#) after the lecture under the “Panopto Course Videos” Tab.

# Course website [<http://cs231n.stanford.edu/>] - Refresh!

CS231n Home	Course Notes	Coursework	Schedule	Office Hours	Lecture Videos	Ed
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## CS231n: Deep Learning for Computer Vision

Stanford - Spring 2023



### Schedule

- Lectures will occur Tuesday/Thursday from 12:00-1:20pm Pacific Time at [NVIDIA Auditorium](#).
- Discussion sections will (generally) occur on Fridays between 1:30-2:30pm Pacific Time, location TBD. Check [Ed](#) for any exceptions.

Updated lecture slides will be posted here shortly before each lecture. For ease of reading, we have color-coded the lecture category titles in blue, discussion sections (and final project poster session) in yellow, and the midterm exam in red. Note that the schedule is subject to change as the quarter progresses.

Date	Description	Course Materials	Events	Deadlines
04/04	Lecture 1: Introduction Computer vision overview Course overview Course logistics			
----	<b>Deep Learning Basics</b>			
04/06	Lecture 2: Image Classification with Linear Classifiers The data-driven approach K-nearest neighbor Linear Classifiers Algebraic / Visual / Geometric viewpoints SVM and Softmax loss	Image Classification Problem Linear Classification		
04/07	Python / Numpy Review Session	⌚ 1:30-2:30pm PT	Assignment 1 <a href="#">out</a>	
04/11	Lecture 3: Regularization and Optimization Regularization Stochastic Gradient Descent Momentum, AdaGrad, Adam Learning rate schedules	Optimization		

# Friday Discussion Sections

6 Discussion sections **Fridays 1:30 PM - 2:20 PM at Thornton 102**

04/07	Python / Numpy Review Session
04/14	Backprop Review Session
04/21	Final Project Overview and Guidelines
04/28	PyTorch / TensorFlow Review Session
05/05	RNNs & Transformers
05/12	Midterm Review Session

Hands-on tutorials, with more practical details than the main lecture

Check canvas for the Zoom link of the discussion sessions!

This Friday: Python / numpy / Colab

# Ed

For questions about assignments, final project, midterm, logistics, etc, use [Ed!](#)

Access: Canvas -> Deep Learning for Computer Vision -> Ed Discussion

SCPD students: Use your @stanford.edu address to register for Ed; contact [scpd-customerservice@stanford.edu](mailto:scpd-customerservice@stanford.edu) for help.

# Office Hours

We'll be hosting both in-person and remote office hours. (starting week 2)

- Location
  - In-person: Huang basement, look for a CS231N sign
  - Remote: Zoom and QueueStatus to setup queues
    - Please see [Canvas](#) or [Ed](#) for the QueueStatus link
    - TAs will admit students to their Zoom meeting rooms for 1-1 conversations when it's your turn using QueueStatus.
- Office hour schedule is on the [course website](#)

# Overview on communication

Course Website: <http://cs231n.stanford.edu/>

- Syllabus, lecture slides, links to assignment downloads, etc

Ed:

- Use this for most communication with course staff
- Ask questions about homework, grading, logistics, etc
- Use private questions only if your post will violate honor code if you release publicly.

Mailing list

- [cs231n-staff-spr23@cs.stanford.edu](mailto:cs231n-staff-spr23@cs.stanford.edu)

Gradescope:

- For turning in homework and receiving grades

Canvas:

- For watching recorded lectures
- For watching recorded discussion sessions

# Assignments

All assignments will be completed using Google Colab

Assignment 1: Will be out Friday 4/7, due 4/21 by 11:59 PM

- K-Nearest Neighbor
- Linear classifiers: SVM, Softmax
- Two-layer neural network
- Image features

# Grading

All assignments, coding and written portions, will be submitted via [Gradescope](#).

An **auto-grading system**:

- A consistent grading scheme
- Public tests:
  - Students see results of public tests immediately
- Private tests
  - Generalizations of the public tests to thoroughly test your implementation

# Grading

3 Assignments: 10% + 20% + 15% = 45%

In-Class Midterm Exam: 20%

Course Project: 35%

- Project Proposal: 1%
- Milestone: 2%
- Final Project Report: 29%
- Poster & Poster Session: 3%

Participation Extra Credit: up to 3%

Late policy

- 4 free late days – use up to 2 late days per assignment
- Afterwards, 25% off per day late
- No late days for project report

# AWS

We will have AWS Cloud credits available for projects

- Not for HWs (only for final projects)

We will be distributing credits to all enrolled students using your AWS account IDs

We will have a tutorial for walking through the AWS setup

# Collaboration policy

We follow the [Stanford Honor Code](#) and the [CS Department Honor Code](#) – read them!

- **Rule 1:** Don't look at solutions or code that are not your own; everything you submit should be your own work
- **Rule 2:** Don't share your solution code with others; however discussing ideas or general strategies is fine and encouraged
- **Rule 3:** Indicate in your submissions anyone you worked with

Turning in something late / incomplete is better than violating the honor code

# Prerequisites

## Proficiency in Python

- All class assignments will be in Python (and use numpy)
- Later in the class, you will be using Pytorch and TensorFlow
- [A Python tutorial available on course website](#)

College Calculus, Linear Algebra

No longer need CS229 (Machine Learning)

# Optional textbook resources

- [Deep Learning](#)
  - by Goodfellow, Bengio, and Courville
  - Here is a [free version](#)
- Mathematics of deep learning
  - Chapters 5, 6 7 are useful to understand vector calculus and continuous optimization
  - [Free online version](#)
- Dive into deep learning
  - An interactive deep learning book with code, math, and discussions, based on the NumPy interface.
  - [Free online version](#)

# Learning objectives

## Formalize computer vision applications into tasks

- Formalize inputs and outputs for vision-related problems
- Understand what data and computational requirements you need to train a model

## Develop and train vision models

- Learn to code, debug, and train convolutional neural networks.
- Learn how to use software frameworks like PyTorch and TensorFlow

## Gain an understanding of where the field is and where it is headed

- What new research has come out in the last 0-5 years?
- What are open research challenges?
- What ethical and societal considerations should we consider before deployment?

# Why should you take this class?

Become a vision researcher (an incomplete list of conferences)

- Get involved with [vision research at Stanford](#): apply [using this form](#).
- [CVPR 2022 conference](#)
- [ICCV 2021 conference](#)

Become a vision engineer in industry (an incomplete list of industry teams)

- [Perception team at Google AI](#), [Vision at Google Cloud](#)
- [Vision at Meta AI](#)
- [Vision at Amazon AWS](#)
- [Nvidia](#), [Tesla](#), [Apple](#), [Salesforce](#), .....

General interest

# CS231n: Deep Learning for Computer Vision

- Deep Learning Basics (Lecture 2 – 4)
- Perceiving and Understanding the Visual World (Lecture 5 – 12)
- Reconstructing and Interacting with the Visual World (Lecture 13 – 16)
- Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence (Lecture 17 – 18)

# Syllabus

## Deep Learning Basics

Data-driven learning  
Linear classification & kNN  
Loss functions  
Optimization  
Backpropagation  
Multi-layer perceptrons  
Neural Networks

## Convolutional Neural Networks

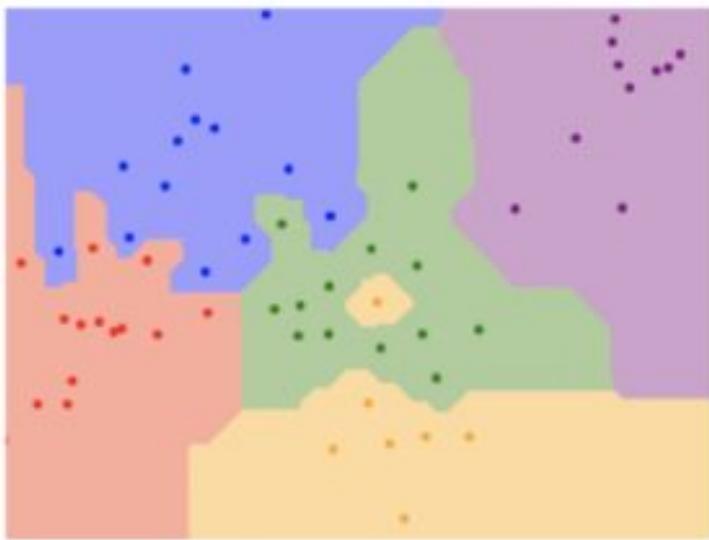
Convolutions  
PyTorch / TensorFlow  
Activation functions  
Batch normalization  
Transfer learning  
Data augmentation  
Momentum / RMSProp / Adam  
Architecture design

## Computer Vision Applications

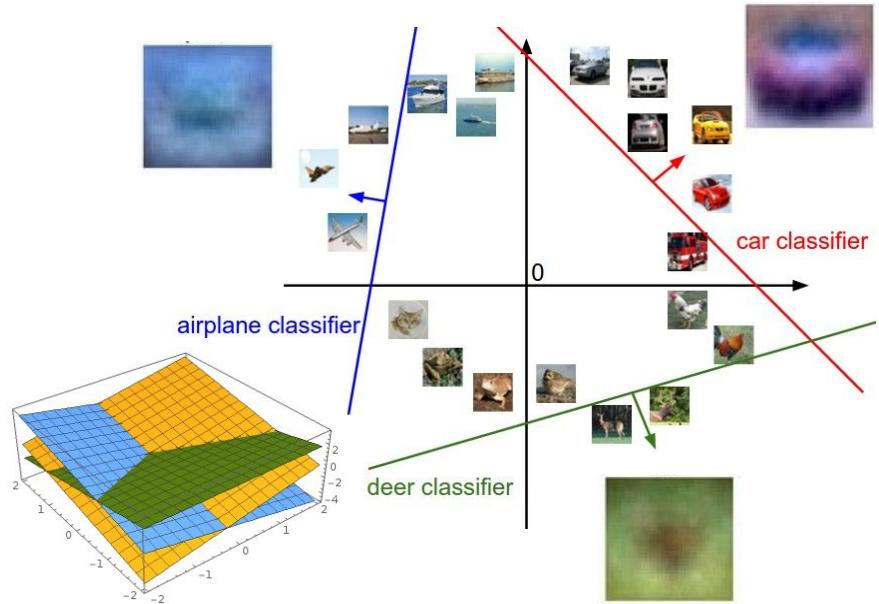
RNNs / Attention / Transformers  
Image captioning  
Object detection and segmentation  
Style transfer  
Video understanding  
Generative models  
Self-supervised learning  
3D vision  
Robot learning  
Human-centered AI  
Fairness & ethics

# Next time: Image classification with Linear Classifiers

k- nearest neighbor



Linear classification



Plot created using [Wolfram Cloud](#)