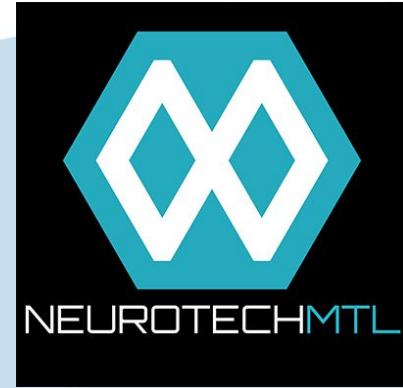




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Deep Learning with MRI

Neurotech MTL

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Installation

- [www.github.com/tfunck/minc_keras](https://github.com/tfunck/minc_keras)
 - *has code, data, presentation, and installation instructions*
- Google Colab (super easy)
 - Create / Log-in to Google account
 - Go to <https://colab.research.google.com>
 - Download and load: <https://tinyurl.com/yd8dd5x3>
- Docker (very easy):
 - Install docker on your OS
 - <https://docs.docker.com/install/#cloud>
 - docker pull tffunck/neurotech:latest
 - docker run -it --rm tffunck/neurotech:latest
- DIY (pretty easy):
 - wget <https://bootstrap.pypa.io/get-pip.py>
 - Or go to the link and download manually
 - python3 get-pip.py
 - pip3 install pandas numpy scipy h5py tensorflow keras
 - git clone https://github.com/tfunck/minc_keras



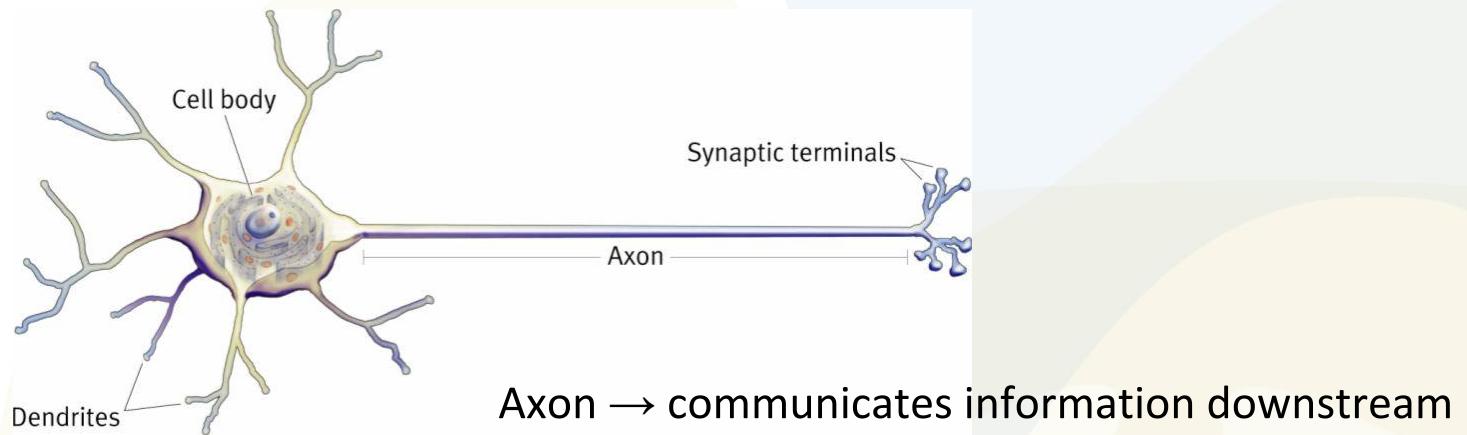
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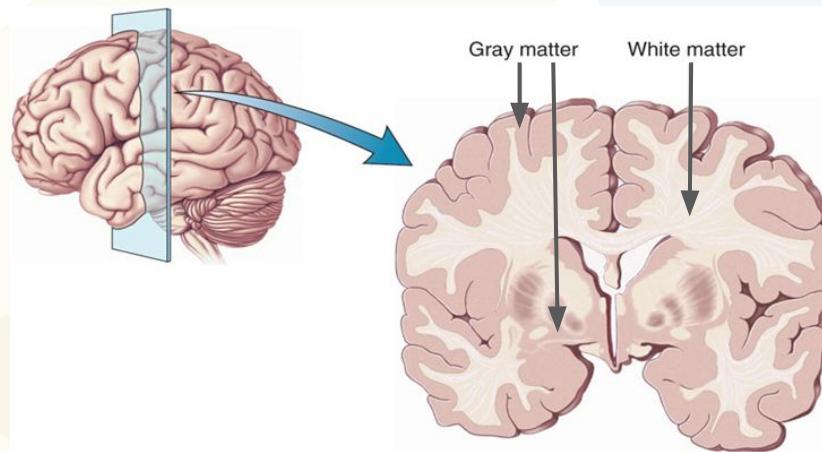
Super simple neuroanatomy

Cell body and dendrites → integrate information





Super simple neuroanatomy

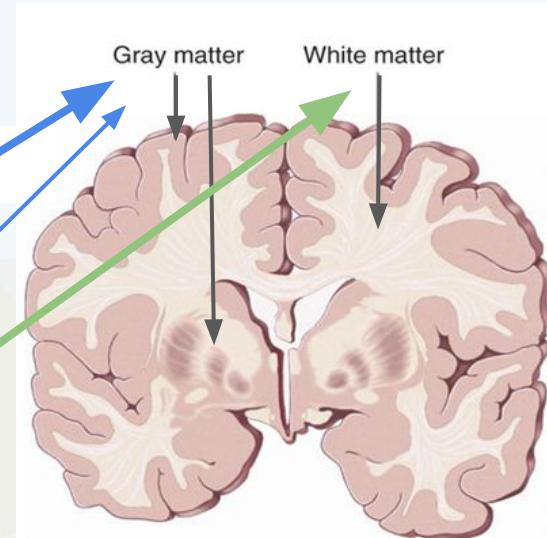
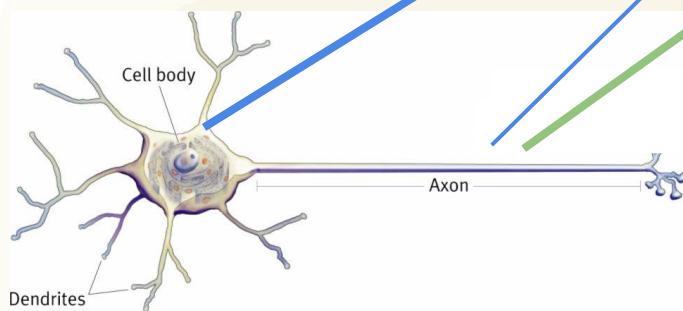


Super simple neuroanatomy

Grey Matter (GM) : cell bodies + short range axons

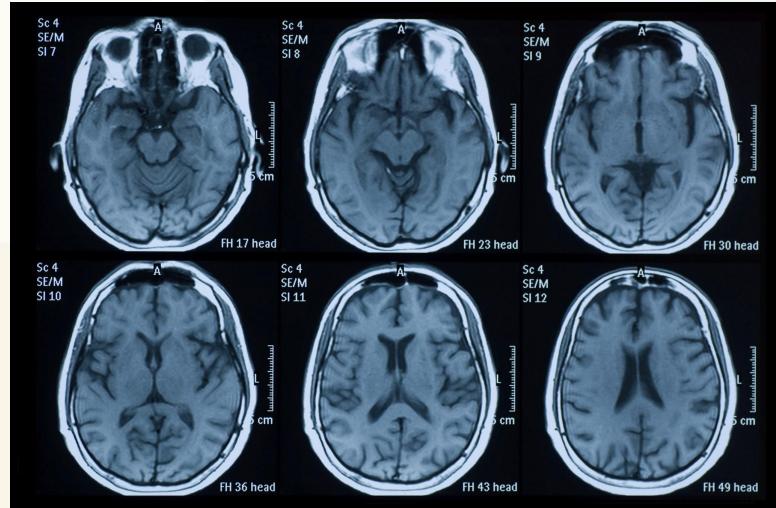
White Matter (WM) : long range axons

Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF) : liquid that your brain floats in



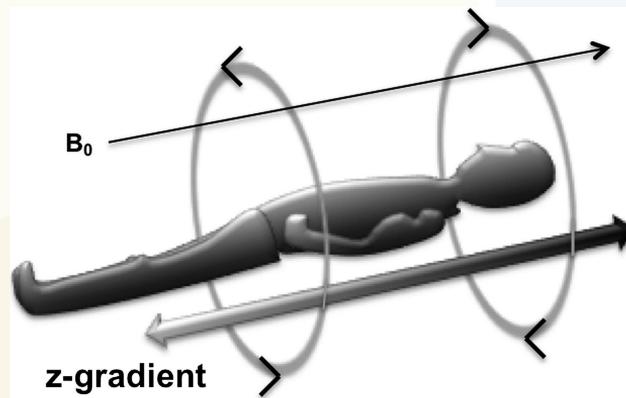
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

- Uses powerful magnets to create images of biological tissue (e.g., brains)



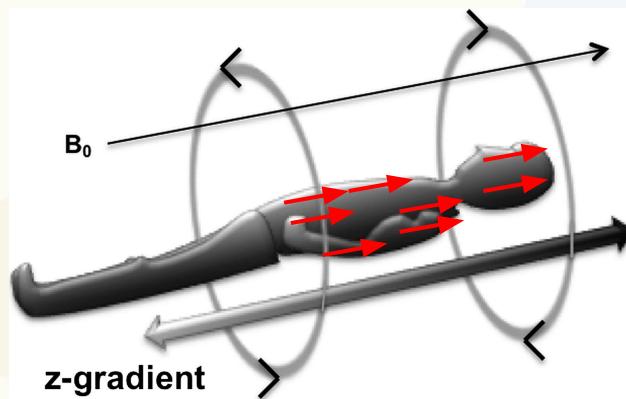
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

1. MRI scanners first create a magnetic field along the axis of the scanner



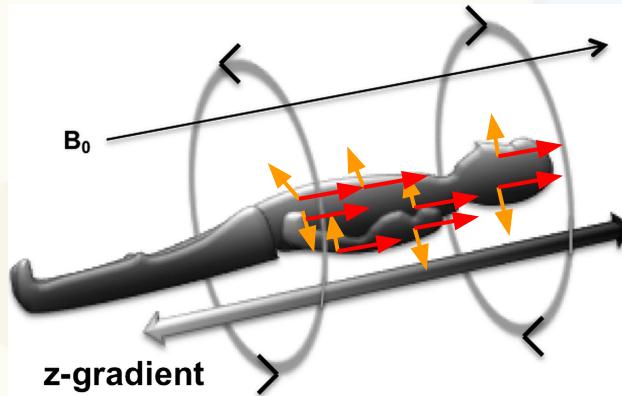
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2. Aligns hydrogen (H) atoms in the body to the magnetic field



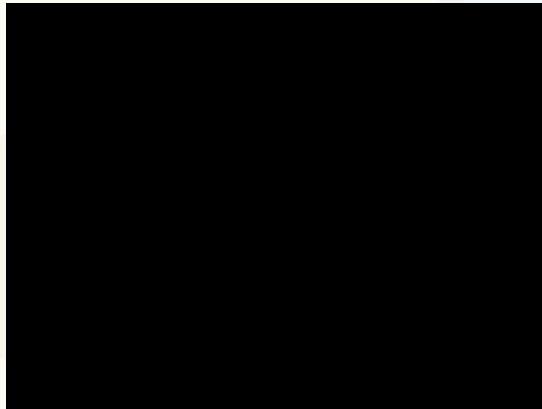
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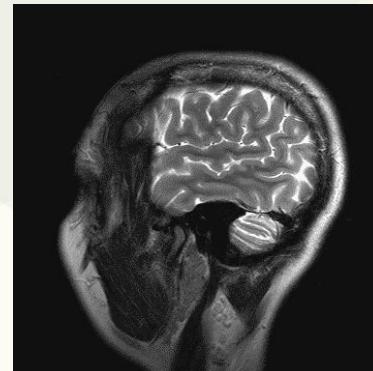
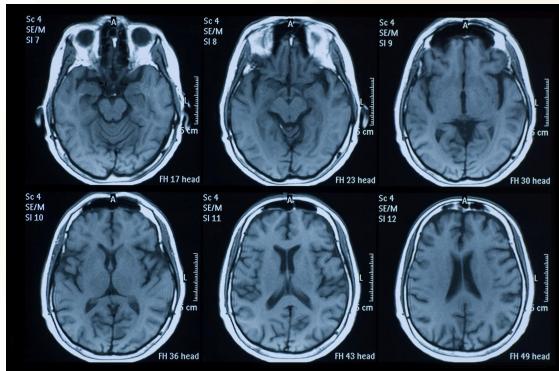
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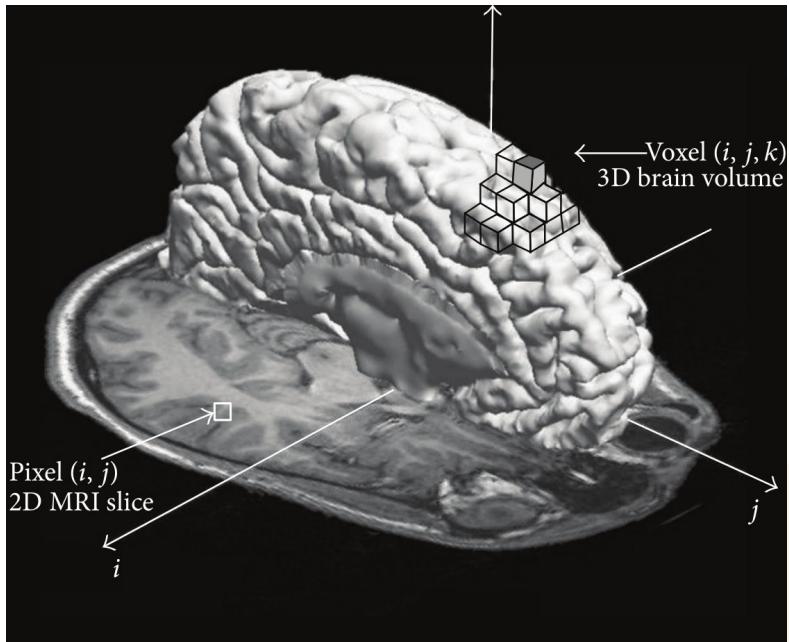
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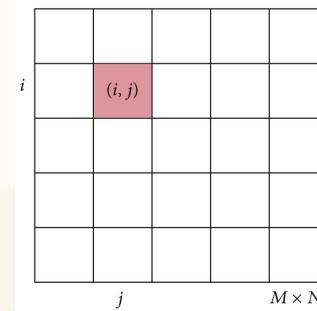
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4. Time it takes for H atoms to regain alignment depends on biological tissue
5. MRI image is based on this realignment time and this reflects type of tissue
 - a. Realignment speed : WM (bright) > GM (medium) > CSF (dark)

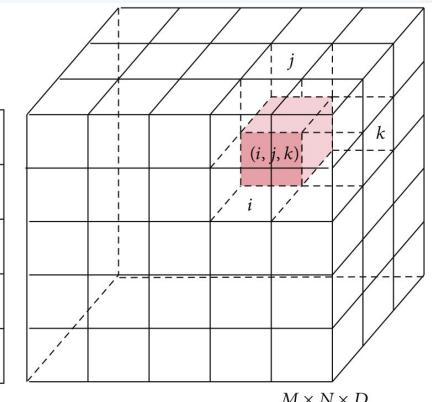




Pixel (2D image)

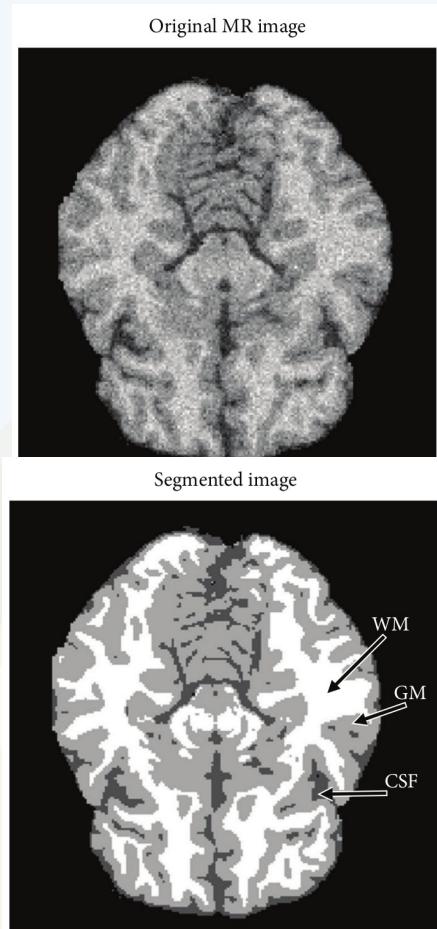


Voxel (3D volume)



MRI Segmentation

- Lots of ways to analyze MRI
 - Brain size
 - Cortical thickness
 - GM/WM intensity ratio
- Segmenting MRI very useful
 - Segmenting into GM and WM is common processing step
 - Helps to quantify brain metrics measured in these regions
- ML can be used to perform segmentation!



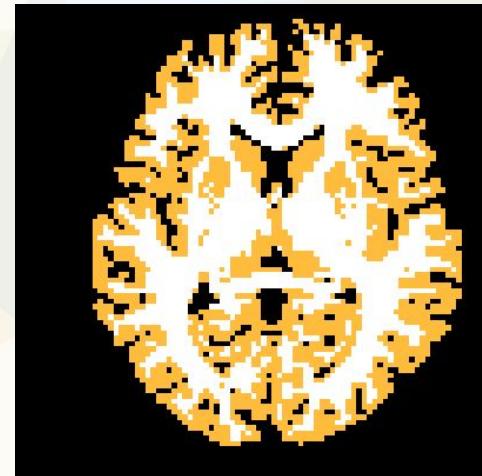
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1000 Functional Connectomes Project

- 261 MRI (skull stripped)
 - http://fcon_1000.projects.nitrc.org/fcpClassic/FcpTable.html
- Data stored in MINC (.mnc)
 - MINC is a medical imaging format based on HDF5
- GM/WM segmentation with FSL-5.0-fast



Build a Conv Net with Keras



Define inputs to your network

```
#Setup the input (IN) based on image dimensions <image_dim>
IN = Input(shape=(image_dim[1], image_dim[2],1))

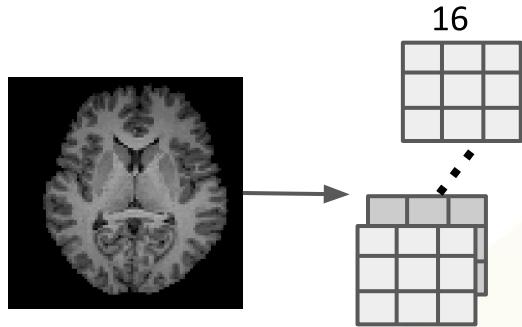
#Create 4 convolutional layers with 3x3 kernels and 16, 32, 64, 128 kernels per layer
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CONV3 = Conv2D(64, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV2)
CONV4 = Conv2D(128, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV3)

#Setup output layer (OUT)
OUT = Conv2D(1, kernel_size=1, padding='same', activation='softmax')(CONV4)

#Create model
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```



Build a Conv Net with Keras



Create 1st layer of convolution kernels

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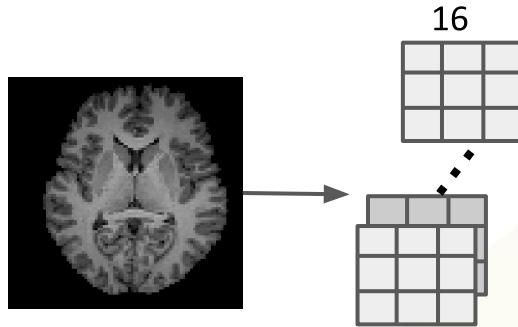
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Previous layer is
argument to new
layer



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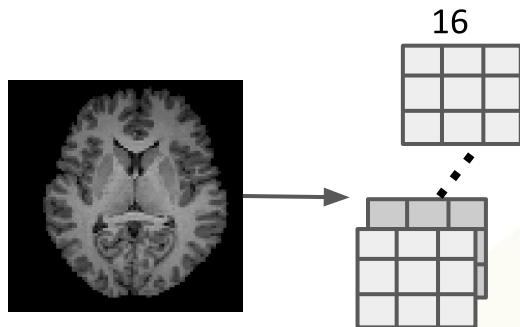
#Setup output layer (OUT)
OUT = Conv2D(3, kernel_size=1, padding='same', activation='softmax')(CONV4)

#Create model
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```

Size of kernels



Build a Conv Net with Keras



Create 1st layer of convolution kernels

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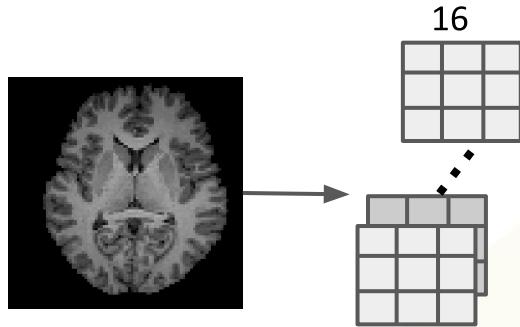
#Setup output layer (OUT)
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#Create model
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```

Number of kernels



Build a Conv Net with Keras



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CONV4 = Conv2D(128, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV3)

#Setup output layer (O
OUT = Conv2D(3, kernel_size=[1,1],activation='softmax')(CONV4)

#Create model
model = keras.models.M
```

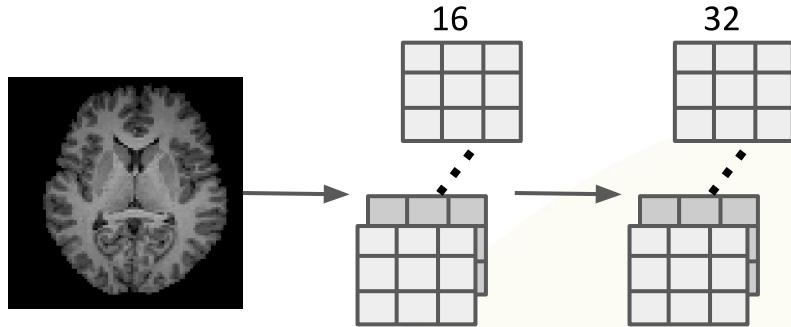
Activation function
= rectified linear

A graph titled "rectifier" showing a blue line on a coordinate system. The x-axis ranges from -4 to 4 with major ticks at -4, -2, 0, 2, 4. The y-axis ranges from -3 to 6 with major ticks at -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. The line is flat at y=0 for x < 0 and follows the equation y=x for x >= 0.

<https://qph.fs.quoracdn.net/main-qimg-f3918735cc25a283752cb33f9ed77d48>



Build a Conv Net with Keras



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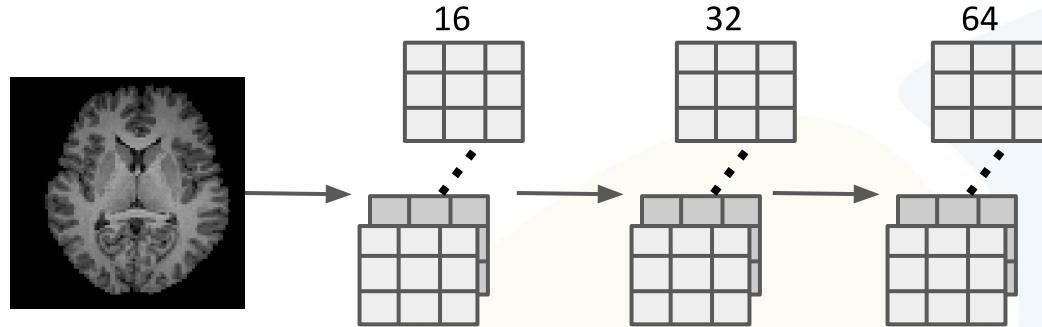
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CONV2 = Conv2D(32,
kernel_size=[3,3],activation= 'relu',padding='same')(CONV1)
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CONV4 = Conv2D(128, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV3)

#Setup output layer (OUT)
OUT = Conv2D(3, kernel_size=1, padding='same', activation='softmax')(CONV4)

#Create model
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```



Build a Conv Net with Keras



```
#Setup the input (IN) based on image dimensions <image_dim>
IN = Input(shape=(image_dim[1], image_dim[2],1))
```

Create 3rd layer of convolution kernels

```
#Create 4 convolutional layers with 3x3 kernels and 16, 32, 64, 128 kernels per layer
```

```
CONV1 = Conv2D(16, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(IN)
```

```
CONV2 = Conv2D(32, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV1)
```

```
CONV3 = Conv2D(64, kernel_size=[3,3],activation= 'relu',padding='same')(CONV2)
```

```
CONV4 = Conv2D(128, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV3)
```

```
#Setup output layer (OUT)
```

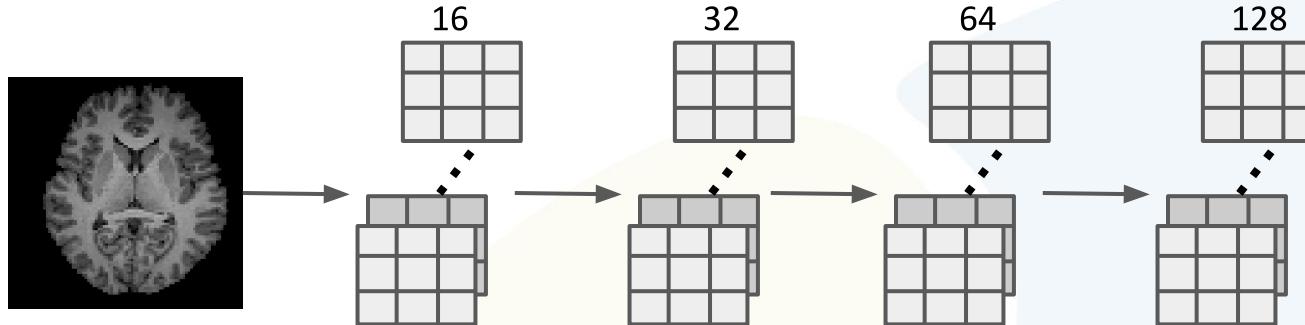
```
OUT = Conv2D(3, kernel_size=1, padding='same', activation='softmax')(CONV4)
```

```
#Create model
```

```
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```



Build a Conv Net with Keras



```
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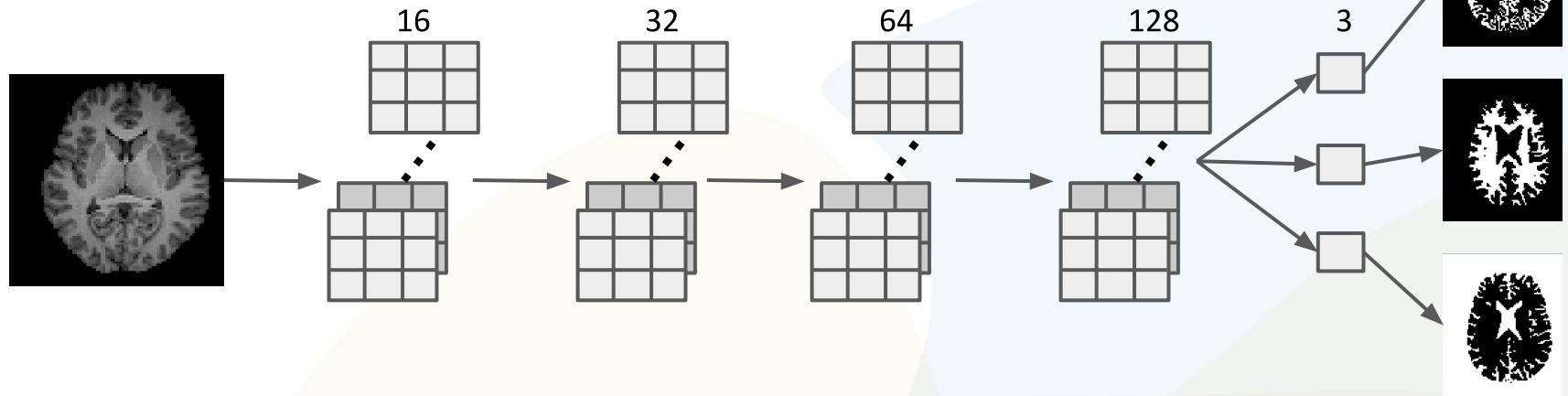
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#Create model
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```



Build a Conv Net with Keras



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CONV4 = Conv2D(128, kernel_size=[3,3],activation='relu',padding='same')(CONV3)
```

Create final output layer

```
#Setup output layer (OUT)
OUT = Conv2D(3, kernel_size=1, padding='same',
activation='softmax')(CONV4)

#Create model
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)
```

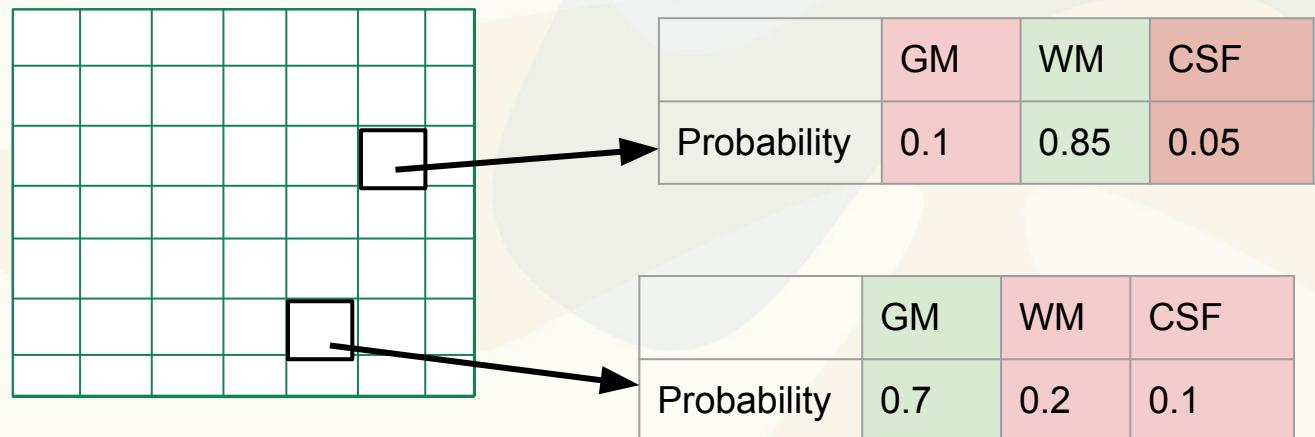
Activation function = softmax



Softmax Output of Network

Softmax

- Creates pseudo-probability distribution
 - for each category values between (0,1)
 - sum of values from each category = 1
- Each pixel = [P(GM) P(WM), P(BG)]
- 3D output array = (Width, Height, 3)



- Transform to 2D image by finding class with max probability at each pixel



Setup & Fit Model

make_and_run_model.py

```
def compile_and_run(X_train, Y_train, X_validate, Y_validate, epochs, model):  
    #setup optimizer  
    ada = keras.optimizers.Adam(0.0001)  
  
    #setup define loss function  
    loss_function = 'categorical_crossentropy'  
  
    #compile the model  
    model.compile(loss = loss_function, optimizer=ada,metrics=[categorical_accuracy] )  
  
    #fit model  
    model.fit([X_train],Y_train,batch_size,validation_data=([X_validate],Y_validate),epochs=epo  
    chs)  
  
    #save model  
    model.save(model_name)
```



Base Model

models/neurotech_models.py

```
def base_model(image_dim, nK, kernel_size, drop_out):  
    # nK = number of kernels per layer  
    # kernel_size = size of the kernels  
    # dropout = dropout rate for each layer  
  
    #Setup the input (IN) and output (OUT) layers based on image dimensions  
    IN = OUT = Input(shape=(image_dim[1], image_dim[2],1))  
  
    n_layers=int(len(nK)) # number of layer  
    kDim=[kernel_size] * n_layers #list of kernel size equal in length to n_layers  
  
    for i in range(n_layers): # for each layer...  
        OUT=Conv2D(nK[i],kernel_size=[kDim[i],kDim[i]],activation='relu',padding='same')(OUT)  
        OUT = Dropout(drop_out)(OUT)  
  
    OUT = Conv2D(1, kernel_size=1, padding='same', activation='sigmoid')(OUT)  
model = keras.models.Model(inputs=[IN], outputs=OUT)  
return(model)
```



model_0_0

models/neurotech_models.py

```
def model_0_0(image_dim):
    # Create a convolutional network with
    # [3,3] x 16
    # [3,3] x 16
    # [3,3] x 16
    nK=[16,16,16]
    kernel_size = 3
    drop_out=0
    return base_model( image_dim, nK, kernel_size, drop_out)
```



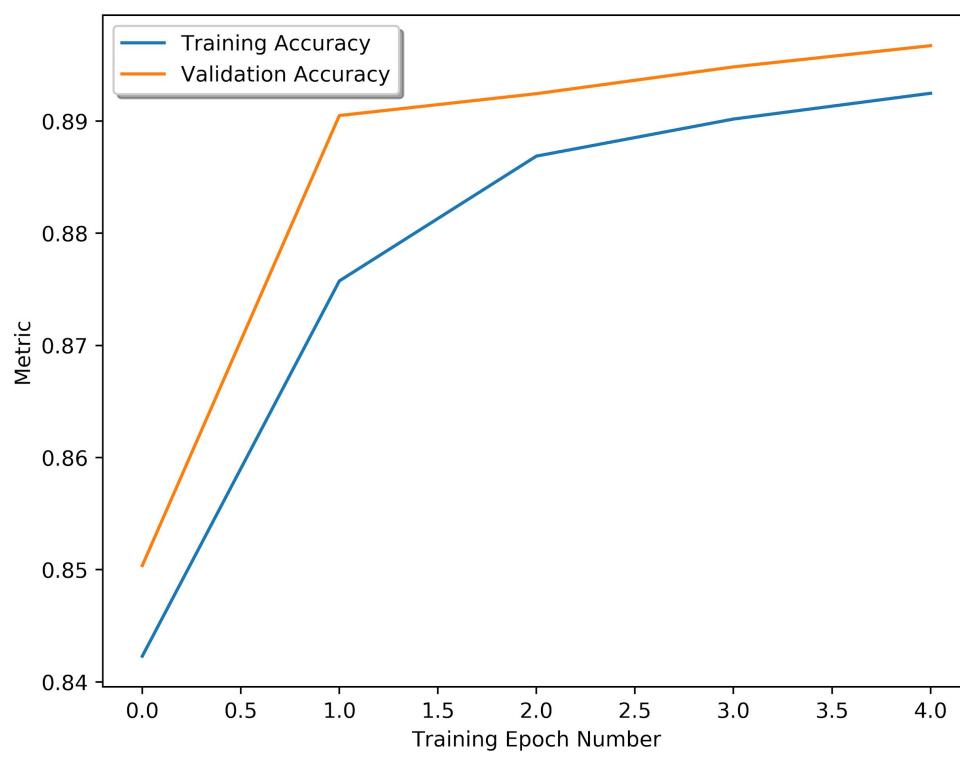
How to run a model with *minc_keras.py*

```
python3 minc_keras/minc_keras.py
    --source output/
    --target .
    --epochs 5
    --model-type "model_0_0"
    --input-str "*T1w_anat*"
    --label-str "*seg*"
    --predict 1
    --ratios 0.2 0.15
    --activation-hidden "relu"      # activation function for hidden layer
    --activation-output "softmax"  # activation function for output layer
```

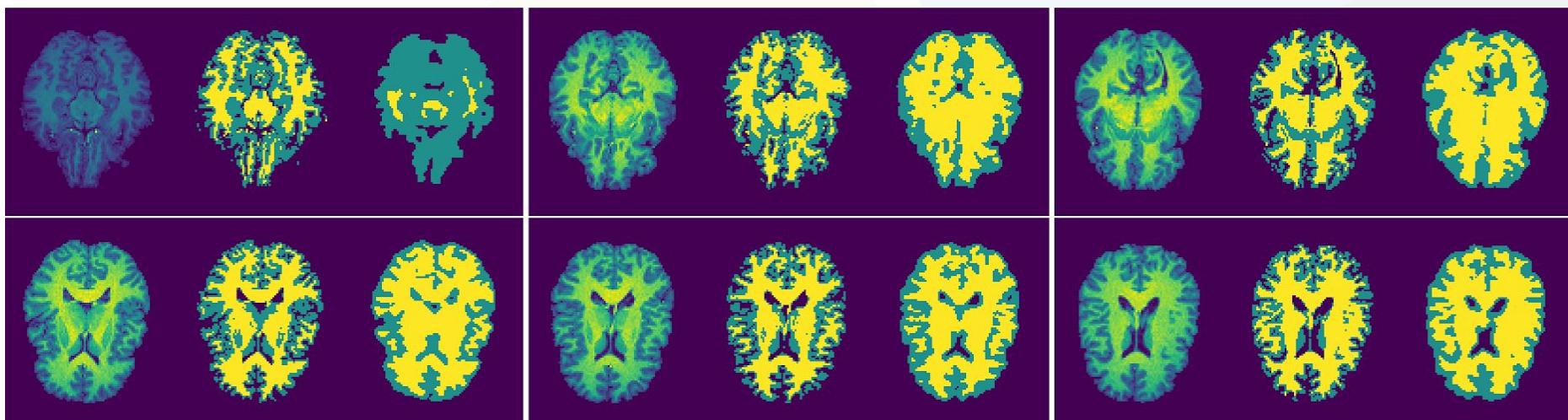


Results for model_0_0

- Parameters = 4,851
- Test Accuracy= 0.896



Results for model_0_0



model_1_0

models/neurotech_models.py

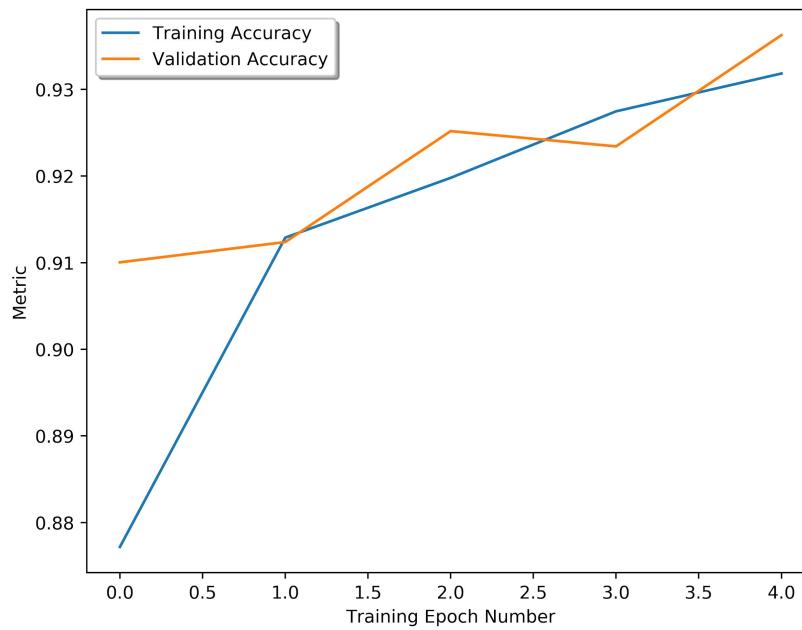
```
def model_1_0(image_dim):
    # Create a convolutional network with
    # [3,3] x 16
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    # [3,3] x 32
    # [3,3] x 64
    # [3,3] x 64
    # [3,3] x 64
    # [3,3] x 128
    nK=[16,16,32,32,32,64,64,64,128]
    kernel_size = 3
    drop_out=0
    return base_model( image_dim, nK, kernel_size, drop_out)
```

```
python3 minc_keras/minc_keras.py --source output/ --target . --epochs 5 --model-type model_1_0"
--input-str "*T1w_anat*" --label-str "*seg*" --predict 1 --ratios .2 .15
```

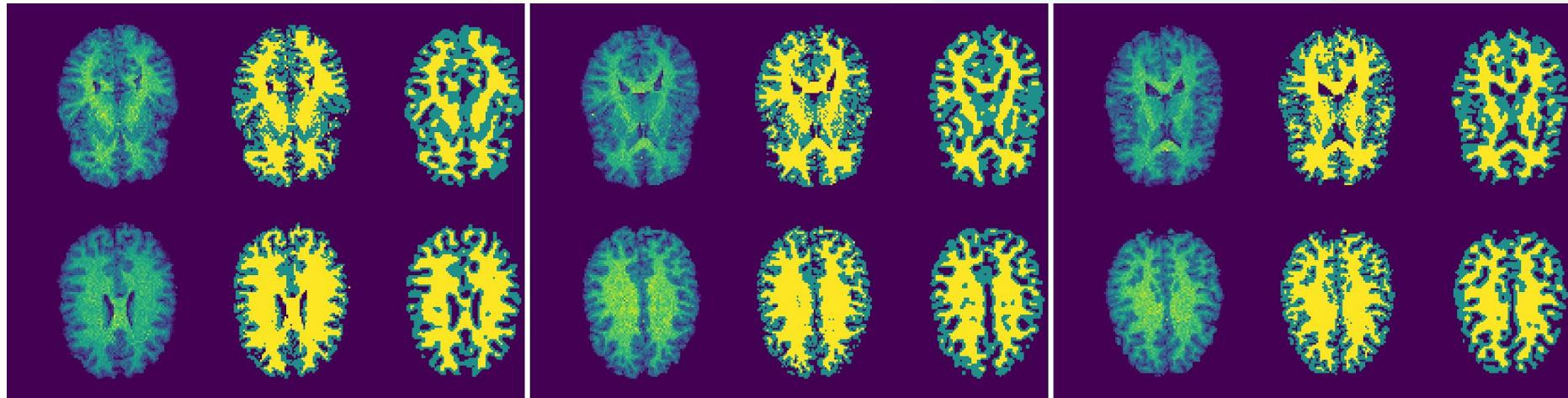


Results for model_1_0

- Parameters = 192,211
 - model_0_0: 4,851
- Test Accuracy = 0.93
 - model_0_0: 0.89



Results for model_1_0



model_4_0

models/neurotech_models.py

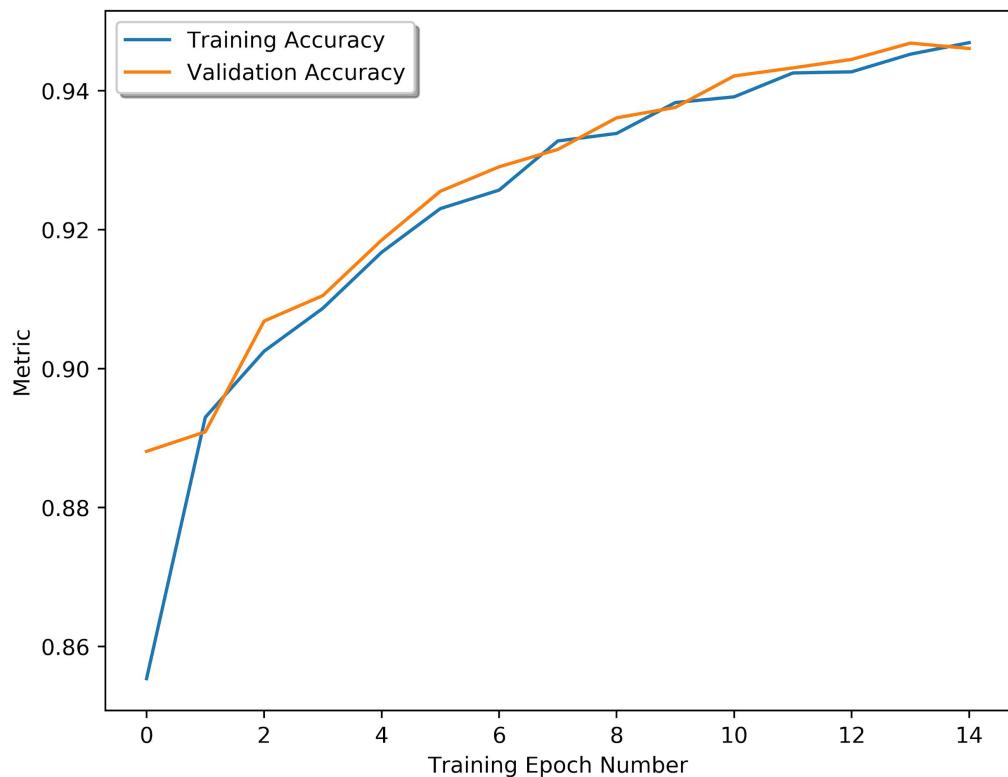
```
def model_4_0(image_dim):
    # Create a convolutional network with
    # [5,5] x 32
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    # [5,5] x 128
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    nK=[32,32,32,32,64,64,64,128,128,128]
    kernel_size = 5
    drop_out=0
    return base_model( image_dim, nK, kernel_size, drop_out)
```

```
python3 minc_keras/minc_keras.py --source output/ --target . --epochs 15 --model-type model_4_0"
--input-str "*T1w_anat*" --label-str "*seg*" --predict 1 --ratios .1 .15
```

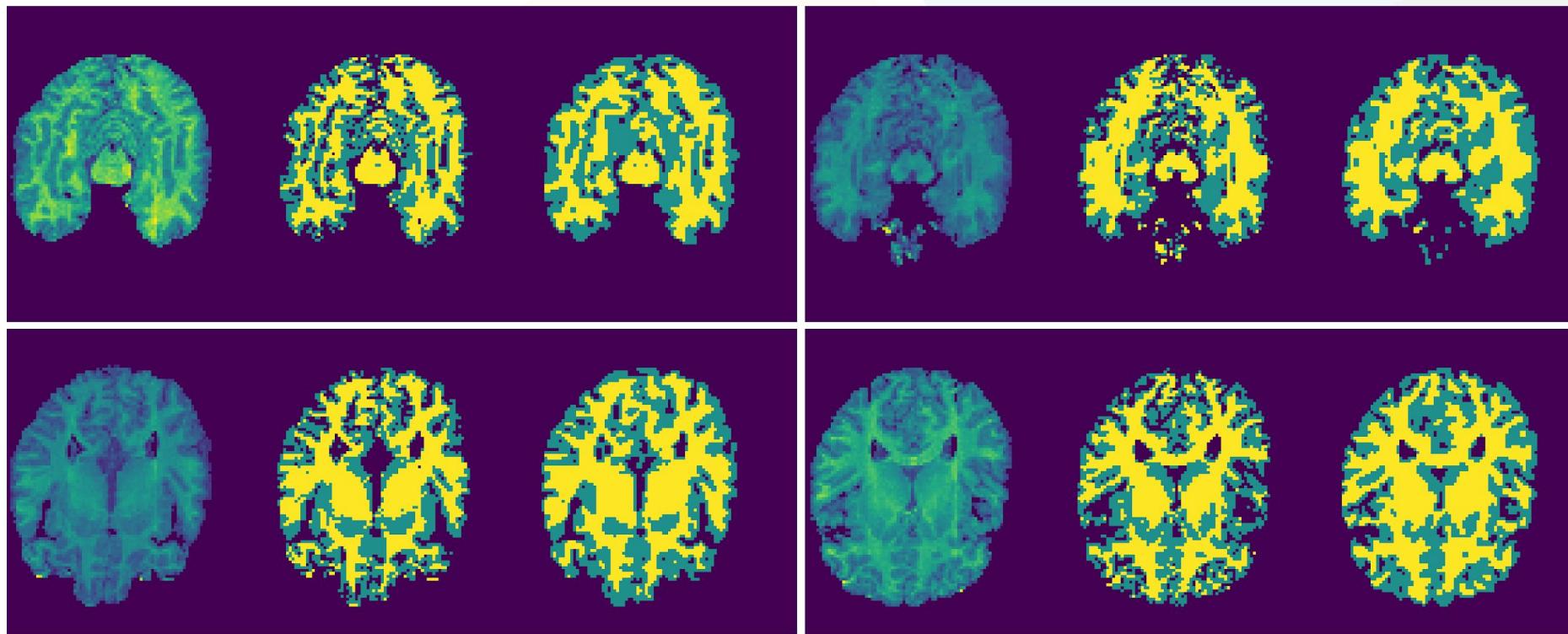


Results for model_4_0

- Parameters = 1,358,691
 - model_1_0: 192,211
- Test Accuracy: 0.946
 - model_1_0: 0.93



Results for model_4_0



Take home message

- Metrics should be compared to baseline performance
 - if model predicts all 0 and has 70% accuracy, then 80% accuracy is not very good
- Beware of overfitting!
 - regularization can help
 - use an appropriate method of cross-validation
 - good practice to keep data aside for final validation
 - get more data
- More parameters doesn't always produce a better model
 - stacking more layers may not be best way to improve performance
 - more sophisticated networks have better feature representation



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Free coding

1. Modifying the code

a. Beginner

- i. --nk "16,107,9" → *sets number of kernels per layer*
- ii. --kernel-size 3 → *set size of kernels*
- iii. --dropout 0.25 → *set drop out rate*
- iv. --model-type "custom"

b. Advanced

- i. Create/Login to your Github
- ii. Fork minc_keras
- iii. git clone onto your computer / edit code / push back to your repo
- iv. clone from your forked minc_keras on Google Collab

2. Can you find a model that does better than 95% without overfitting?

- a. What happens when you change the activation functions?

3. You can change the training/validation/test ratio to increase samples for training

- a. e.g., --ratios 0.3 0.3 (30% training, 30% validation, 60% split)

4. Ask volunteers and organizers for help!

