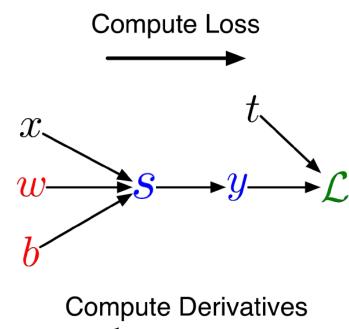
Lecture 4: CNNs I - Architecture & Equivariance

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Computation graph

- Represent the computations using a computation graph
 - Nodes: inputs & computed quantities
 - Edges: which nodes are computed directly as function of which other nodes





General Backpropagation

Given a computation graph

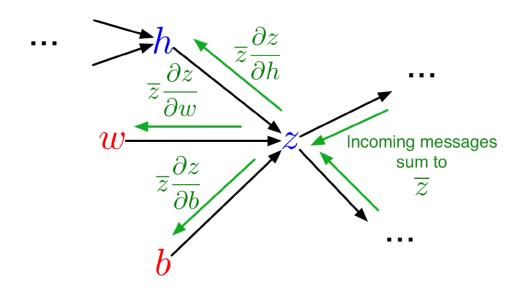
Let v_1, \ldots, v_N be a topological ordering of the computation graph (i.e. parents come before children.)

 v_N denotes the variable we're trying to compute derivatives of (e.g. loss)



General Backpropagation

Backprop as message passing:

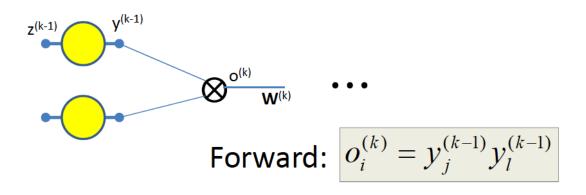


- Each node receives a set of messages from its children, which are aggregated into its error signal, then it passes messages to its parents
- Modularity: each node only has to know how to compute derivatives w.r.t. its arguments – local computation in the graph



Patterns in backward flow

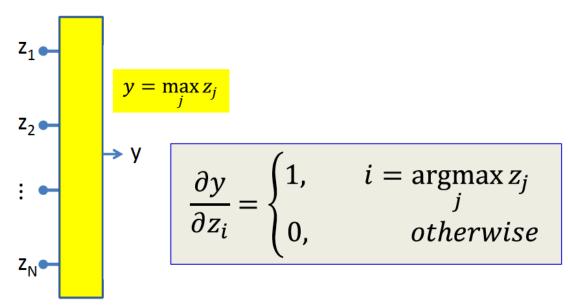
Multiplicative node



$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_j^{(k-1)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_i^{(k)}} \frac{\partial o_i^{(k)}}{\partial y_j^{(k-1)}} = y_l^{(k-1)} \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_i^{(k)}}$$

Patterns in backward flow

Max node



- Vector equivalent of subgradient
 - 1 w.r.t. the largest incoming input
 - Incremental changes in this input will change the output
 - 0 for the rest
 - Incremental changes to these inputs will not change the output



Vector form of BackProp

Review: Jacobian of vector functions

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Vectorized chain rule

$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{m}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n} \qquad g : \mathbb{R}^{m} \to \mathbb{R}^{n}, \mathbf{y} = g(\mathbf{x})$$

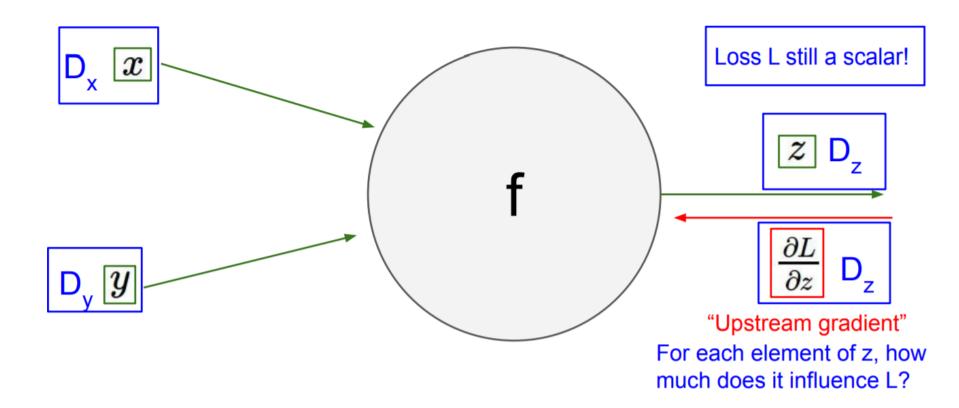
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{i}} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\partial z}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{i}}$$

$$f : \mathbb{R}^{n} \to \mathbb{R}, z = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} z = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{i}}\right] \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} z = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}\right)^{T} \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} z$$

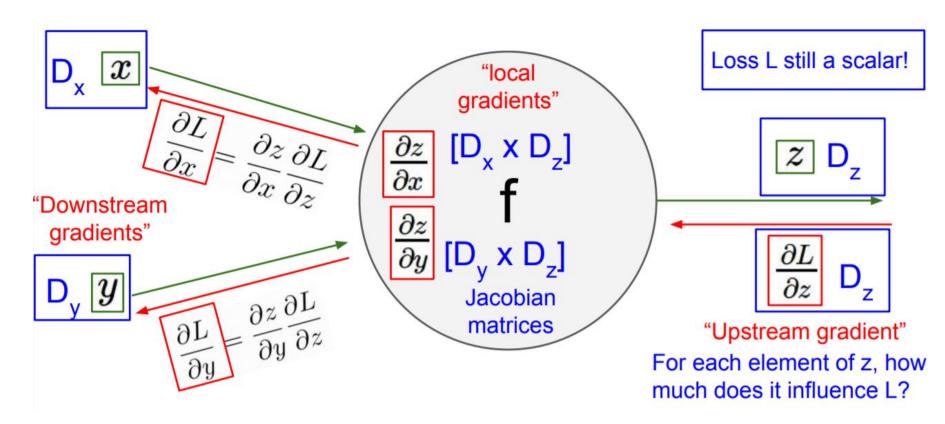
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Forward pass with vectors



Vector form of BackProp

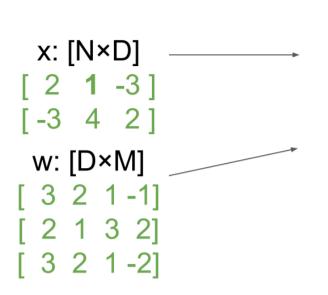
Note: here the Jacobian matrices are actually the transpose of the standard version.





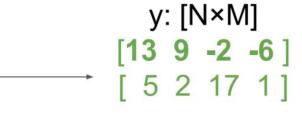
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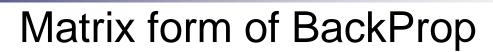
- Often used in mini-batches
 - □ N is the batch size, for instance.



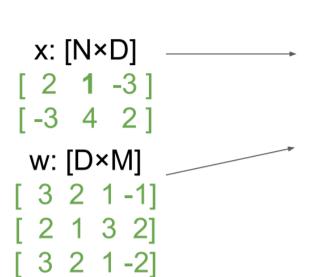
Matrix Multiply

$$y_{n,m} = \sum_{d} x_{n,d} w_{d,m}$$



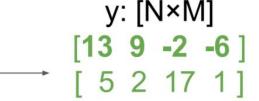


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Jacobians:

dy/dx: $[(N\times D)\times (N\times M)]$ dy/dw: $[(D\times M)\times (N\times M)]$

For a neural net we may have
N=64, D=M=4096
Each Jacobian takes 256 GB of memory!
Must work with them implicitly!

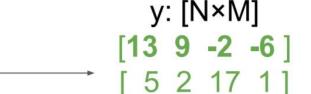


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x: [N×D] [2 1 -3] [-3 4 2] w: [D×M] [3 2 1 -1] [2 1 3 2] [3 2 1 -2]

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[N×D] [N×M] [M×D]

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial y}\right) w^T$$

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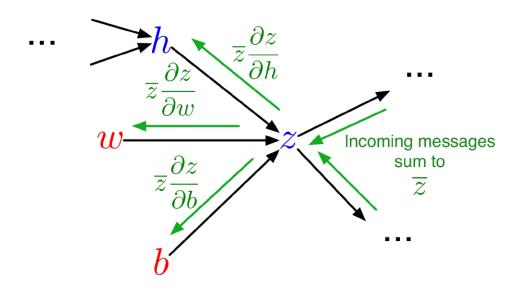
[D×M] [D×N] [N×M]

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = x^T \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \right)$$

These formulas are easy to remember: they are the only way to make shapes match up!

Computation cost

- Forward pass: one add-multiply operation per weight
- Backward pass: two add-multiply operations per weight



 For a multilayer network, the cost is linear in the number of layers, quadratic in the number of units per layer



Backpropagation

- Backprop is used to train the majority of neural nets
 - Even generative network learning, or advanced optimization algorithms (second-order) use backprop to compute the update of weights
- However, backprop seems biologically implausible
 - □ No evidence for biological signals analogous to error derivatives
 - All the existing biologically plausible alternatives learn much more slowly on computers.
 - So how on earth does the brain learn???



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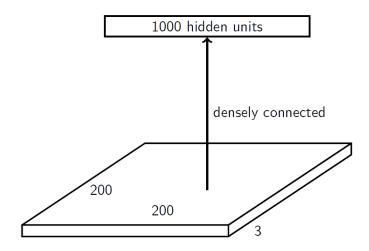
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Motivation

- Visual recognition
 - Suppose we aim to train a network that takes a 200x200 RGB image as input



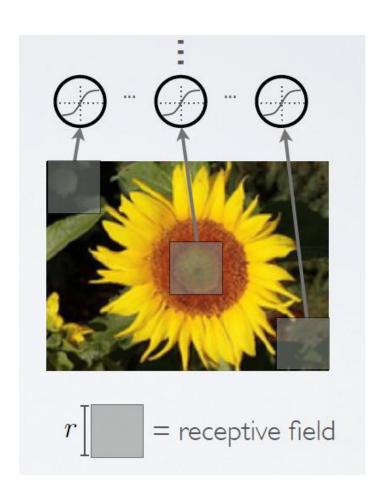
- □ What is the problem with have full connections in the first layer?
 - Too many parameters! 200x200x3x1000 = 120 million
 - What happens if the object in the image shifts a little?



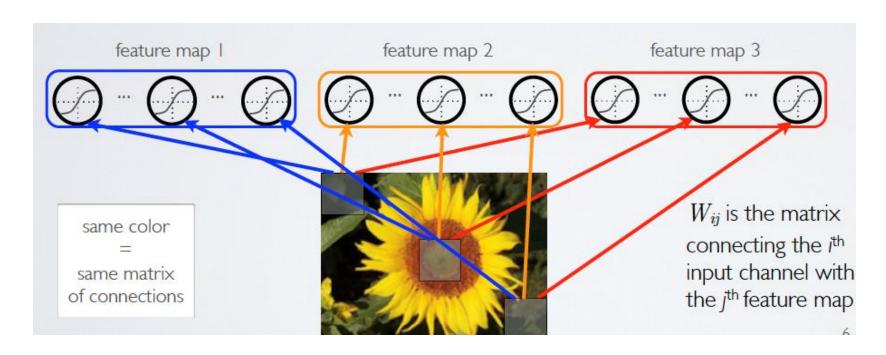
Our goal

- Visual Recognition: Design a neural network that
 - □ Much deal with very high-dimensional inputs
 - ☐ Can exploit the 2D topology of pixels in images
 - Can build in invariance/equivariance to certain variations we can expect
 - Translation, small deformations, illumination, etc.
- Convolution networks leverage these ideas
 - □ Local connectivity
 - Parameter sharing
 - □ Pooling/subsampling hidden units

- First idea: Use a local connectivity of hidden units
 - Each hidden unit is connected only to a subregion (patch) of the input image
 - Usually it is connected to all channels
 - Each neuron has a local receptive field

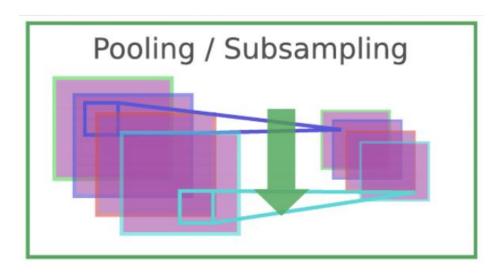


- Second idea: share weights across certain units
 - Units organized into the same "feature map" share weight parameters
 - Hidden units within a feature map cover different positions in the image

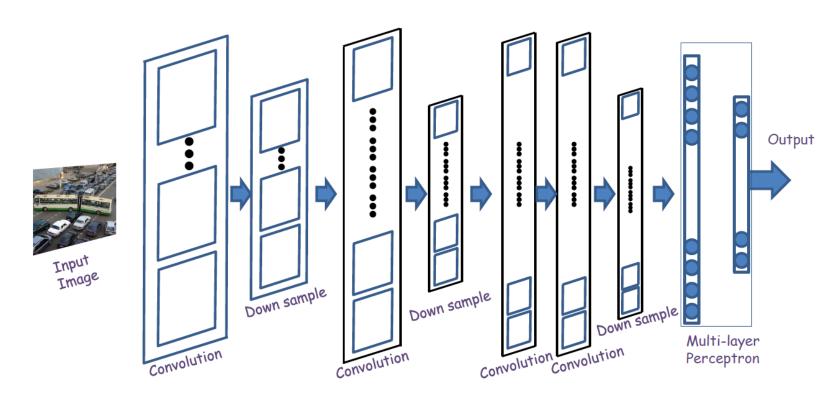




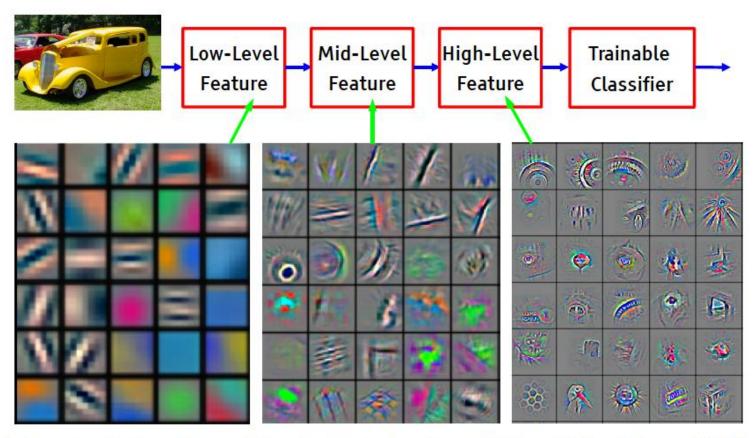
- Third idea: pool hidden units in the same neighborhood
 - □ Averaging or Discarding location information in a small region
 - Robust toward small deformations in object shapes by ignoring details.



- Fourth idea: Interleaving feature extraction and pooling operations
 - Extracting abstract, compositional features for representing semantic object classes



 Artificial visual pathway: from images to semantic concepts (Representation learning)



Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]



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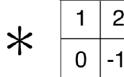


2D Convolution

If A and B are two 2-D arrays, then:

$$(A*B)_{ij} = \sum_{s} \sum_{t} A_{st} B_{i-s,j-t}.$$

1	3	1
0	-1	1
2	2	-1



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0	-1	1		0	-2	-4	1
2	2	-1		2	6	4	-3
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2D Convolution

(4 × 0) (0 × 0)

 (0×0)

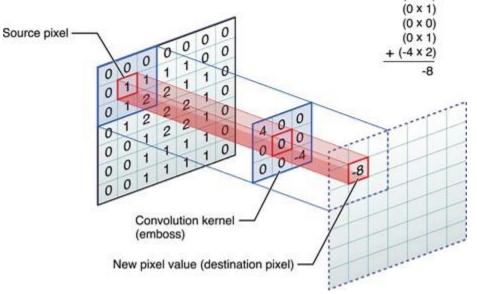
 (0×0)

 (0×1)

If A and B are two 2-D arrays, then:

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Center element of the kernel is placed over the source pixel. The source pixel is then replaced with a weighted sum of itself and nearby pixels.



1 _{×1}	1 _{×0}	1,	0	0
0,0	1,	1 _{×0}	1	0
0 _{×1}	0,×0	1,	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0

Image

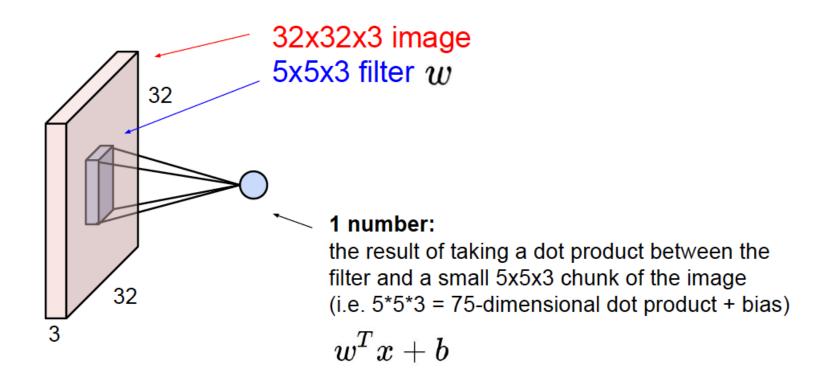
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Convolved Feature

Picture Courtesy: developer.apple.com



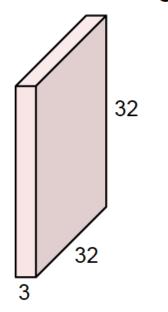
Formal definition





Define a neuron corresponding to a 5x5 filter

32x32x3 image



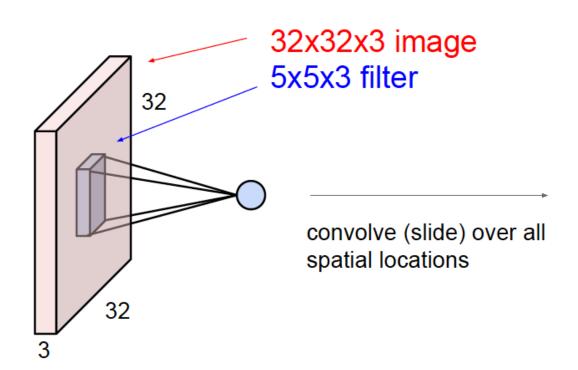
5x5x3 filter



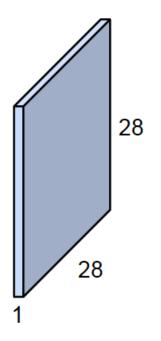
Convolve the filter with the image i.e. "slide over the image spatially, computing dot products"



- Convolution operation
 - Parameter sharing
 - ☐ Spatial information

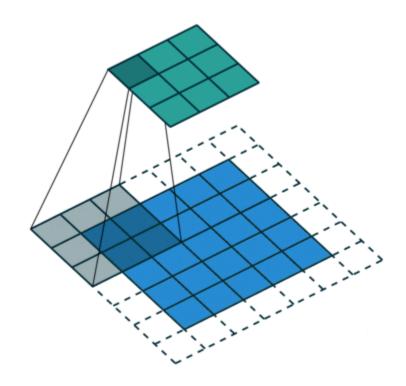


activation map





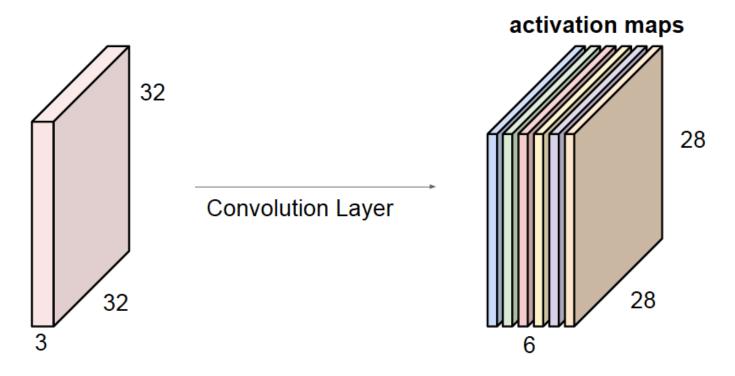
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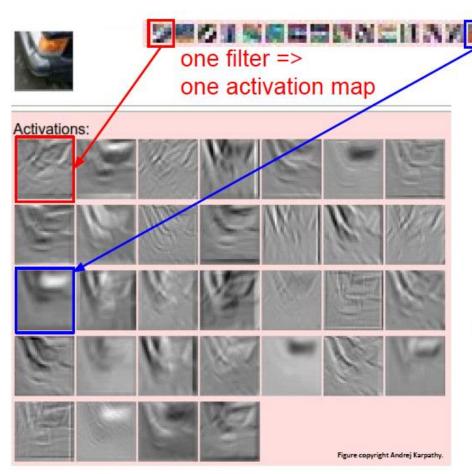
Multiple kernels/filters

For example, if we had 6 5x5 filters, we'll get 6 separate activation maps:



We stack these up to get a "new image" of size 28x28x6!

Visualizing the filters and their outputs



example 5x5 filters (32 total)

We call the layer convolutional because it is related to convolution of two signals:

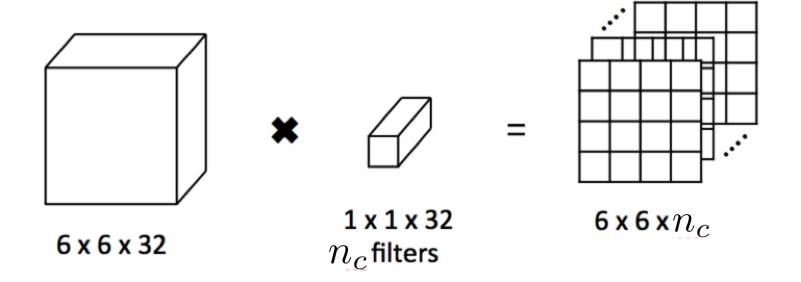
$$f[x,y] * g[x,y] = \sum_{n_1 = -\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2 = -\infty}^{\infty} f[n_1, n_2] \cdot g[x - n_1, y - n_2]$$

elementwise multiplication and sum of a filter and the signal (image)



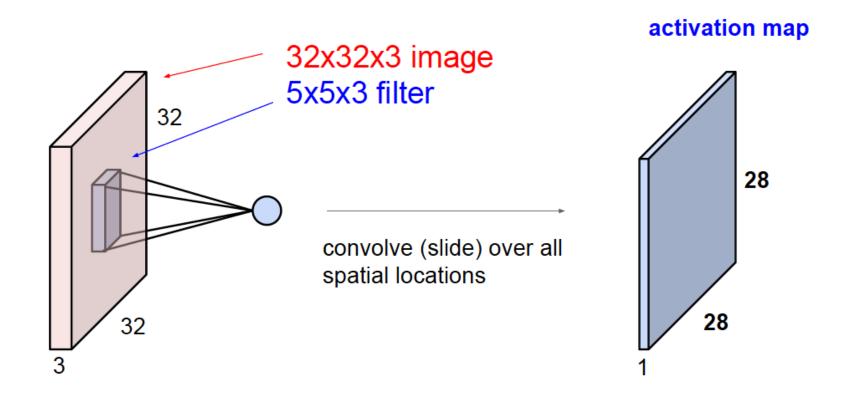
Special Convolutions

- 1x1 convolutions
 - ☐ Used in Network-in-network, GoogleNet
 - □ Reduce or increase dimensionality
 - Can be considered as 'feature pooling"



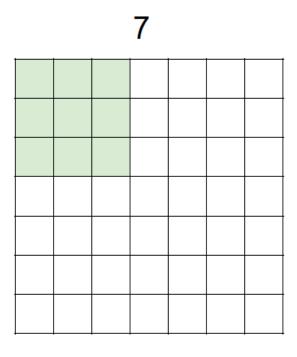
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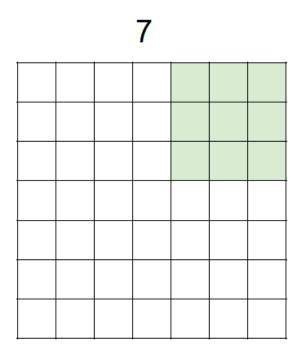


7x7 input (spatially) assume 3x3 filter

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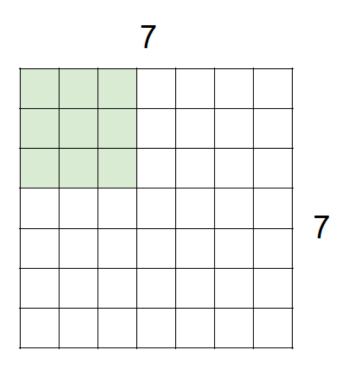


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=> 5x5 output



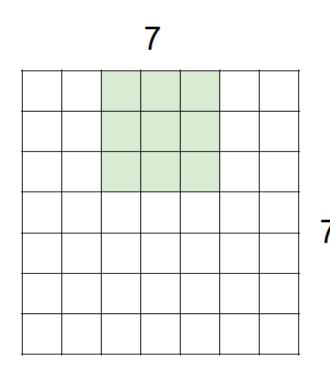
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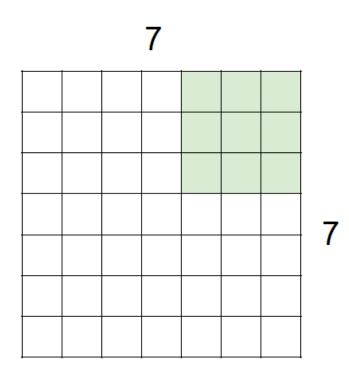
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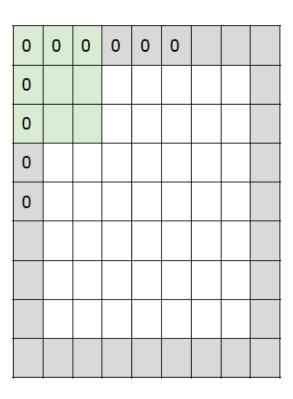


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7x7 input (spatially) assume 3x3 filter applied with stride 2 => 3x3 output!

 Zero padding to handle non-integer cases or control the output sizes



e.g. input 7x7

3x3 filter, applied with stride 1

pad with 1 pixel border => what is the output?

7x7 output!

 Zero padding to handle non-integer cases or control the output sizes

0	0	0	0	0	0		
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0							
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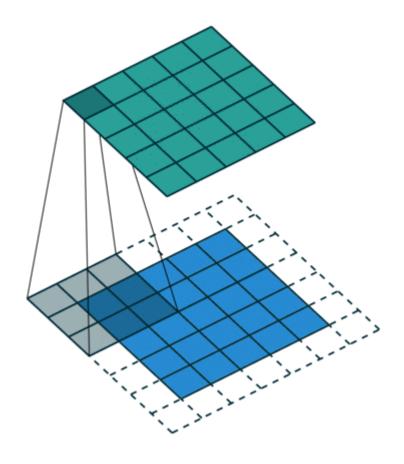
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in general, common to see CONV layers with stride 1, filters of size FxF, and zero-padding with (F-1)/2. (will preserve size spatially)

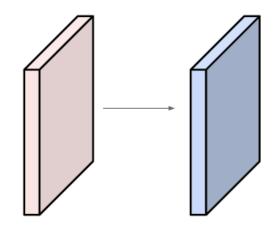
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Input volume: 32x32x3

10 5x5 filters with stride 1, pad 2



Output volume size:

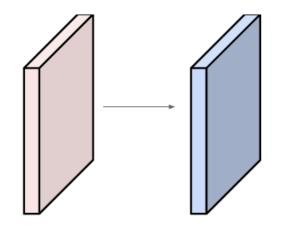
$$(32+2*2-5)/1+1 = 32$$
 spatially, so

32x32x10

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(+1 for bias)

Number of parameters in this layer? each filter has 5*5*3 + 1 = 76 params

=> 76*10 = **760**



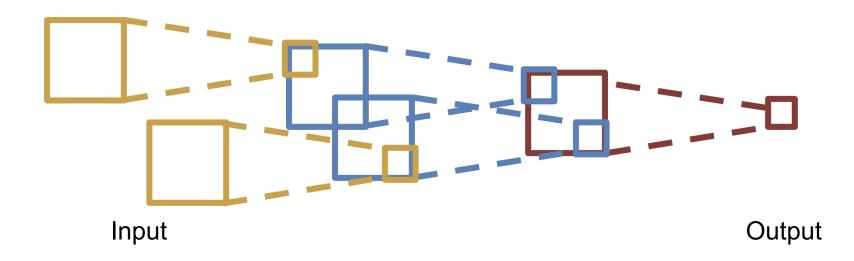
Summary

- Accepts a volume of size $W_1 imes H_1 imes D_1$
- · Requires four hyperparameters:
 - Number of filters K.
 - their spatial extent F,
 - the stride S,
 - the amount of zero padding P.
- Produces a volume of size W₂ × H₂ × D₂ where:
 - $W_2 = (W_1 F + 2P)/S + 1$
 - $\circ H_2 = (H_1 F + 2P)/S + 1$ (i.e. width and height are computed equally by symmetry)
 - $D_2 = K$
- With parameter sharing, it introduces $F \cdot F \cdot D_1$ weights per filter, for a total of $(F \cdot F \cdot D_1) \cdot K$ weights and K biases.
- In the output volume, the d-th depth slice (of size $W_2 imes H_2$) is the result of performing a valid convolution of the d-th filter over the input volume with a stride of S, and then offset by d-th bias.

Receptive Fields

For convolution with kernel size K, each element in the output depends on a K x K receptive field in the input







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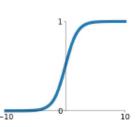
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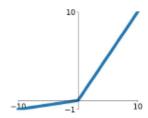
Zoo of Activation functions

Sigmoid

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

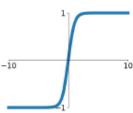


Leaky ReLU max(0.1x, x)



tanh

tanh(x)

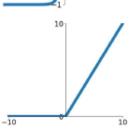


Maxout

 $\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$

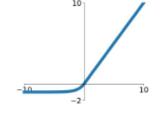
ReLU

 $\max(0, x)$

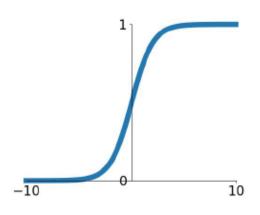


ELU

$$\begin{cases} x & x \ge 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Sigmoid function



Sigmoid

$$\sigma(x) = 1/(1 + e^{-x})$$

- Squashes numbers to range [0,1]
- Historically popular since they have nice interpretation as a saturating "firing rate" of a neuron

3 problems:

- Saturated neurons "kill" the gradients
- Sigmoid outputs are not zero-centered
- 3. exp() is a bit compute expensive



Sigmoid function

Consider what happens when the input to a neuron is always positive...

$$f\left(\sum_i w_i x_i + b
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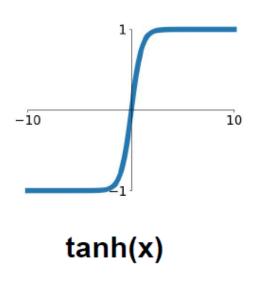
What can we say about the gradients on **w**? Always all positive or all negative :((this is also why you want zero-mean data!)

allowed gradient update directions

zig zag path ypothetical optimal w

vector

Tanh function



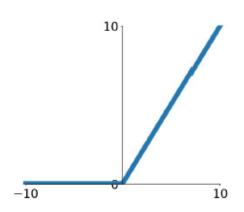
- Squashes numbers to range [-1,1]
- zero centered (nice)
- still kills gradients when saturated :(

[LeCun et al., 1991]

Recurrent neural networks: LSTM, GRU

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Rectified Linear Unit

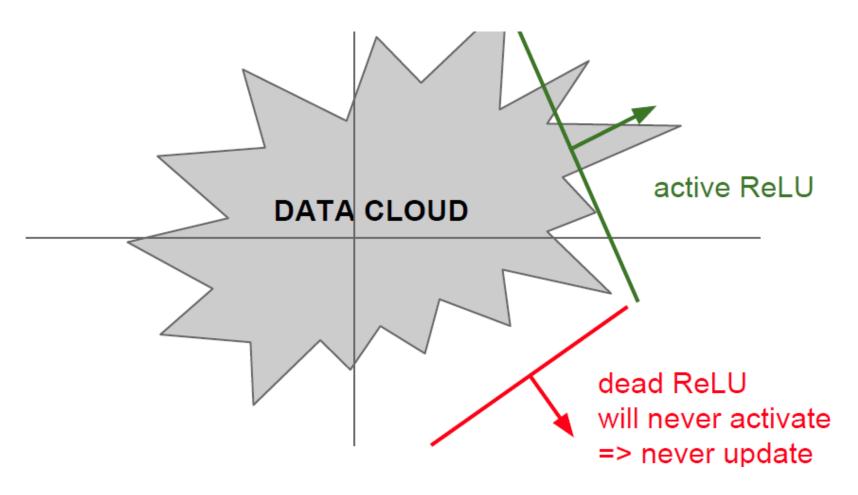


ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit)

- Computes f(x) = max(0,x)
- Does not saturate (in +region)
- Very computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice (e.g. 6x)
- Actually more biologically plausible than sigmoid
- Not zero-centered output
- An annoyance:

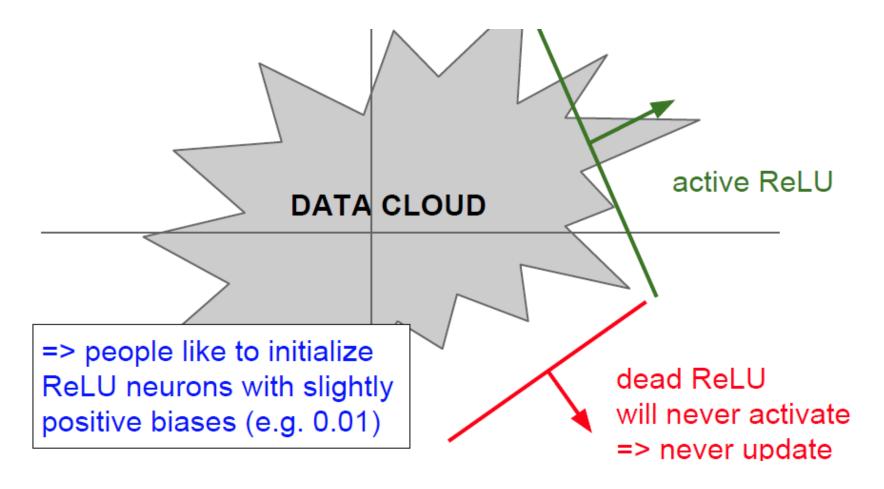
hint: what is the gradient when x < 0?

Rectified Linear Unit





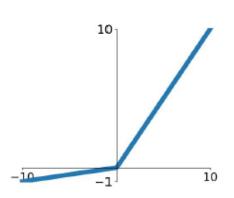
Rectified Linear Unit





Leaky ReLU

[Mass et al., 2013] [He et al., 2015]



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- will not "die".

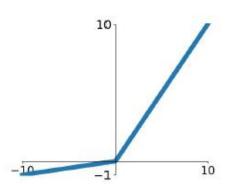
Leaky ReLU

$$f(x) = \max(0.01x, x)$$

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Leaky ReLU





Leaky ReLU

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- Does not saturate
- Computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice! (e.g. 6x)
- will not "die".

Parametric Rectifier (PReLU)

$$f(x) = \max(\alpha x, x)$$

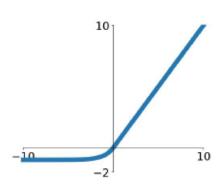
backprop into \alpha (parameter)



Exponential Linear Units (ELU)

[Clevert et al., 2015]

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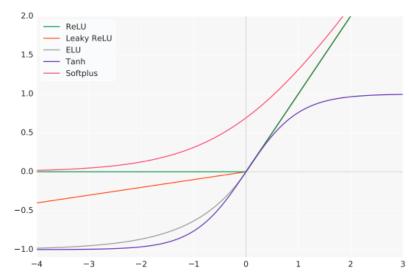


$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \alpha & (\exp(x) - 1) & \text{if } x \le 0 \end{cases}$$
 - Computation requires exp()

- All benefits of ReLU
- Closer to zero mean outputs
- Negative saturation regime compared with Leaky ReLU adds some robustness to noise

Summary: Activation function

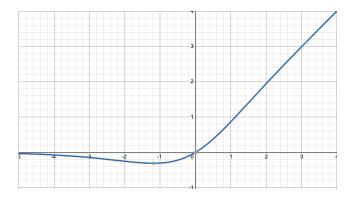
- For internal layers in CNNs
 - Use ReLU. Be careful with your learning rates
 - Try out Leaky ReLU / Maxout / ELU
 - Try out tanh but don't expect much
 - Don't use sigmoid
- For output layers
 - □ Task dependent
 - □ Related to your loss function



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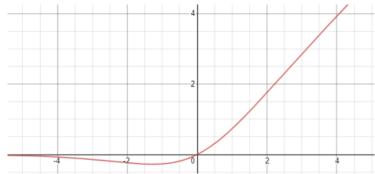
Recent progresses

$$\square$$
 Mish $f(x) = x \cdot \tanh(\varsigma(x))$, $\varsigma(x) = \ln(1 + e^x)$.



□ Swish
$$f(x) = x * (1 + \exp(-x))^{-1}$$

https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.08681



https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.05941



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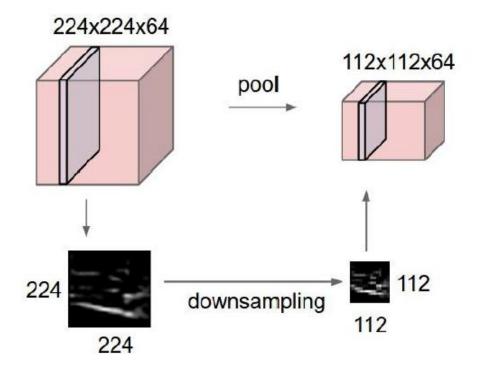
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Pooling Layers

- Reducing the spatial size of the feature maps
 - □ Smaller representations
 - On each activation map independently
 - Low resolution means fewer details

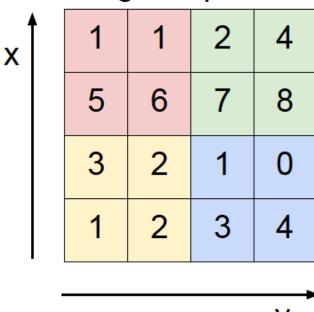




Pooling Layers

- Example: max pooling
- Spatial invariance; no learnable parameters!

Single depth slice



max pool with 2x2 filters and stride 2

6	8
3	4



Complexity of Pooling Layers

Summary

- Accepts a volume of size $W_1 imes H_1 imes D_1$
- Requires three hyperparameters:
 - their spatial extent F,
 - the stride S,
- Produces a volume of size $W_2 imes H_2 imes D_2$ where:

$$W_2 = (W_1 - F)/S + 1$$

$$H_2 = (H_1 - F)/S + 1$$

$$O$$
 $D_2 = D_1$

- Introduces zero parameters since it computes a fixed function of the input
- Note that it is not common to use zero-padding for Pooling layers



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- What representations a CNN can capture in general?
- lacktriangle Consider a representation ϕ as an abstract function

$$\phi: \mathbf{x} \to \phi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

- We want to look at how the representation changes upon transformations of input image.
 - Transformations represent the potential variations in the natural images
 - □ Translation, scale change, rotation, local deformation etc.



- Two key properties of representations
 - □ Equivariance

A representation ϕ is equivariant with a transformation g if the transformation can be transferred to the representation output.

$$\exists$$
 a map $M_g : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^d$ such that: $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X} : \phi(g\mathbf{x}) \approx M_g \phi(\mathbf{x})$

□ Example: convolution w.r.t. translation



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Example: convolution+pooling+FC w.r.t. translation



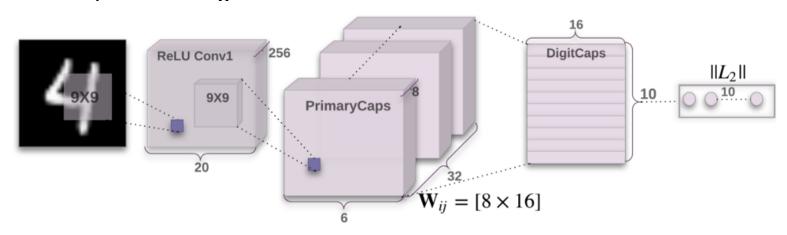


- Recent results on convolution layers
 - Convolutions are equivariant to translation
 - Convolutions are not equivariant to other isometries of the sampling lattice, e.g., rotation



- □ What if a CNN learns rotated copies of the same filter?
 - The stack of feature maps is equivariant to rotation.

- Recent results on convolution layers
 - □ Ordinary CNNs can be generalized to Group Equivariant
 Networks (Cohen and Welling ICML'16, Kondor and Trivedi ICML'18)
 - Redefining the convolution and pooling operations
 - Equivariant to more general transformation from some group G
 - Replacing pooling by other network designs
 - Capsule network (Sabour et al, 2017) https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.09829





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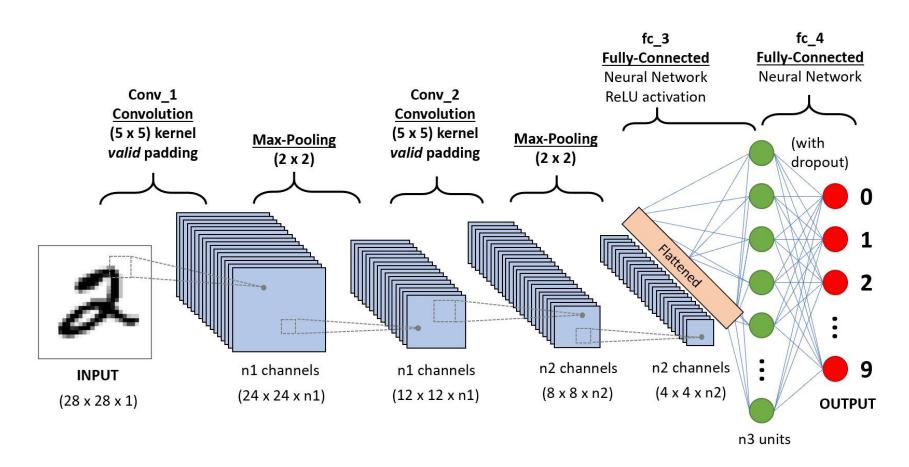
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LeNet-5

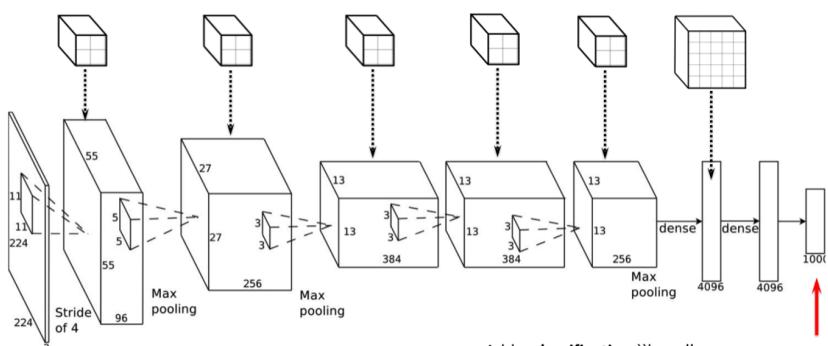
Handwritten digit recognition





AlexNet

Deeper network structure



Add a classification ``layer".

For an input image, the value in a particular dimension of this vector tells you the probability of the corresponding object class.



Summary of CNNs

- CNN properties [Bronstein et al., 2018]
 - Convolutional (Translation invariance)
 - Scale Separation (Compositionality)
 - ☐ Filters localized in space (Deformation Stability)
 - □ O(1) parameters per filter (independent of input image size n)
 - □ O(n) complexity per layer (filtering done in the spatial domain)
 - □ O(log n) layers in classification tasks
- Next time ...
 - Structure design of Modern CNNs
- Reference
 - CS231n course notes http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/
 - D2L Chapter 6 + DLBook Chapter 9