Machine Learning: characters recognition

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Steps

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<u>Process and train this model</u>

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Algorithm to detect a sequence

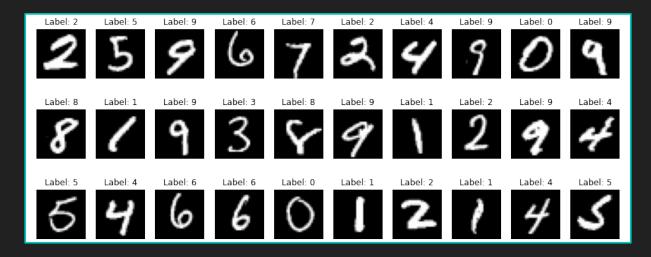
Apply each fragment from the sequence, to recogne the good character

For this part, we will use the following frameworks and libraries:

sklearn, for splitting datasets between training and testing sub datasets **numpy**, to perform operations on arrays and matrices **tensorflow**, for importing the MNIST dataset as well as the realization of machine learning and deep learning algorithms

matplotlib, for displaying the dataset images random, for the generation of random numbers opencv2, for the processing of the dataset test images

Use of the MNIST Digits Dataset



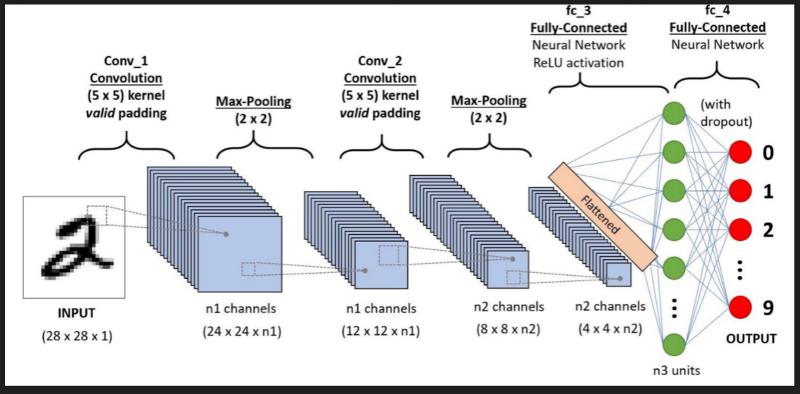
We split the dataset into 2 sub-datasets

A training one, containing 60000 images

A other one, containing 10000 image, use for testing

We normalise all the datas, and reshape to the (28,28) shape dimension

Using CNN (convolutional neuronal network) instead of SVM (Support Vector Machine)



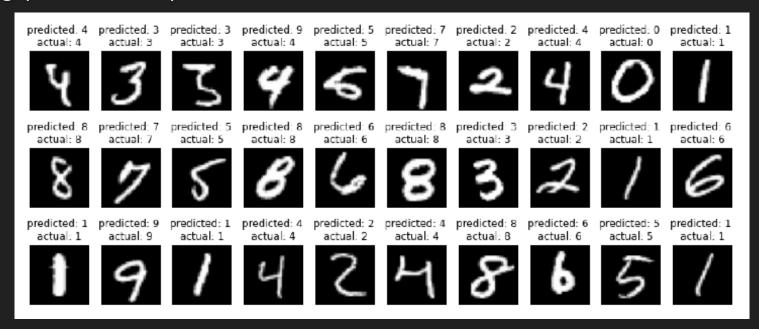
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 26, 26, 32)	320
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 24, 24, 64)	18496
<pre>max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)</pre>	(None, 12, 12, 64)	0
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 12, 12, 64)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None, 9216)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 128)	1179776
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 128)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 10)	1290

Total params: 1,199,882

Trainable params: 1,199,882

Non-trainable params: 0

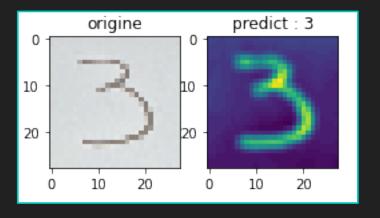
With the training, accuracy ~99% (10 epochs) New training (sub-dataset)



Some issues to differentiate « 1 » and « 7 »

Train more ? More datas to differentiate

Very good accuracy (99%), so we can validate the process & the model

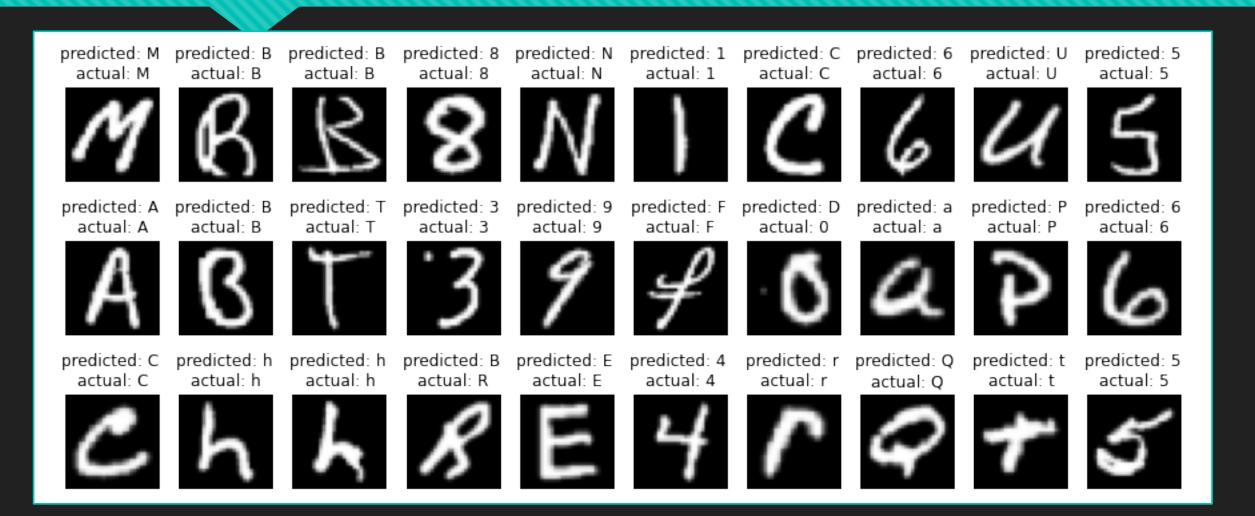


Character recognition

Same as the previous part, using CNN Use of 2 csv files (from Kaggle) with some mathematical transformation (model can fit the datas)

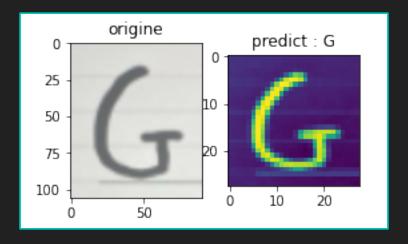
More epoachs (30) ~30min to process

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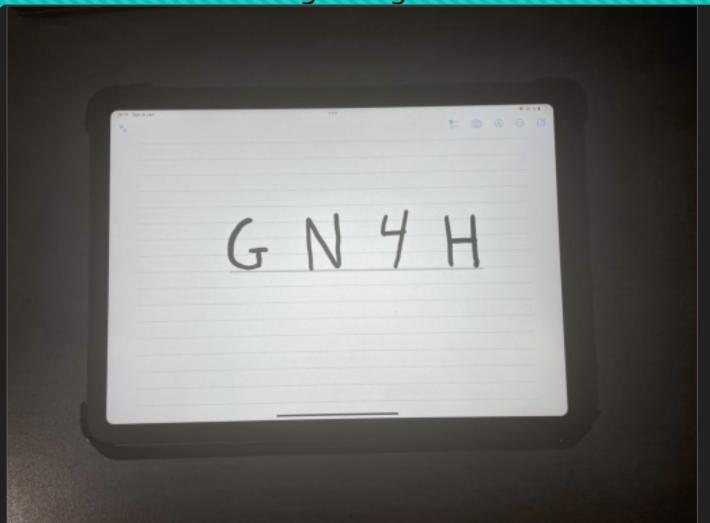
Accetable accuracy (87,8%), we can accept the model

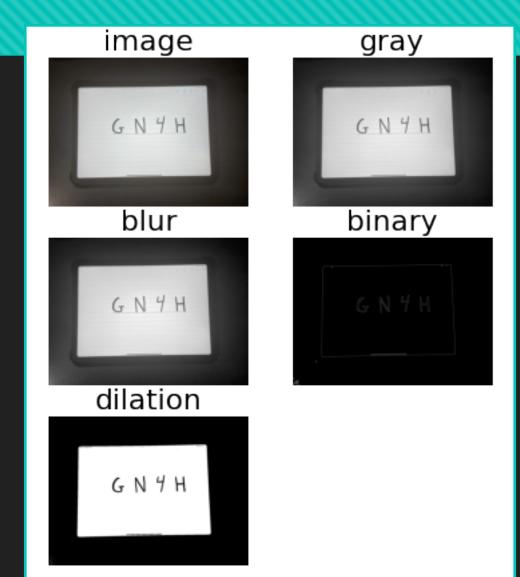


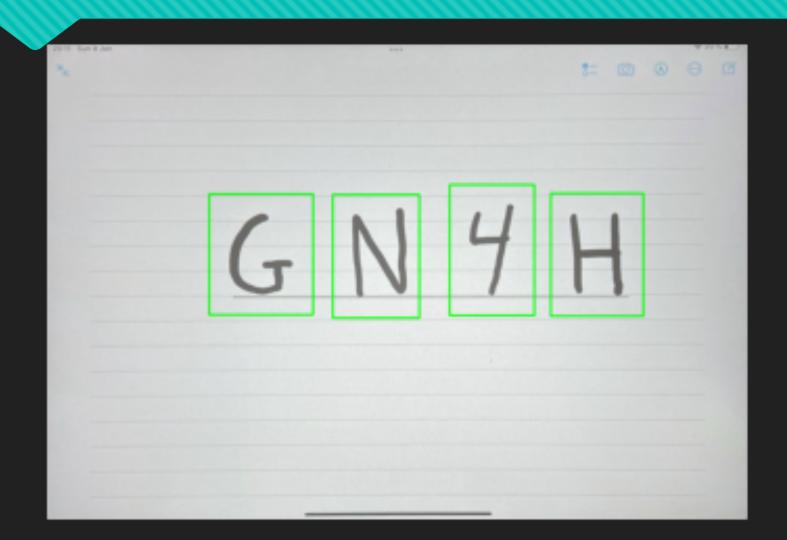
Preprocessing step: transform the image to data interpretable by our model, applying filters (to binarize it, removing angle) → New 28*28 image interprtable by our model

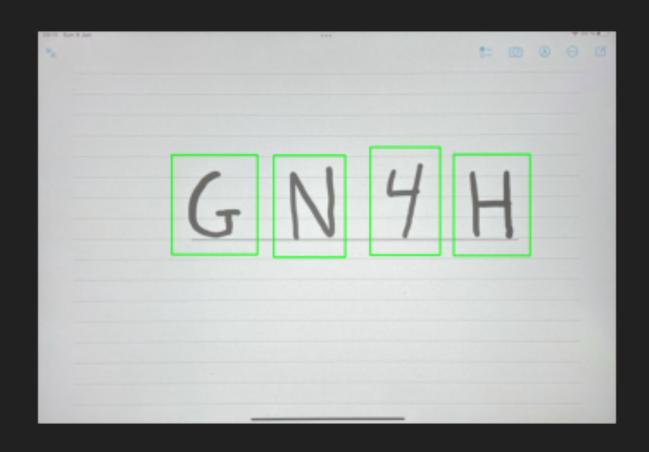
Train with previous model and datas

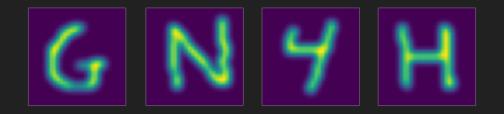
Image Original

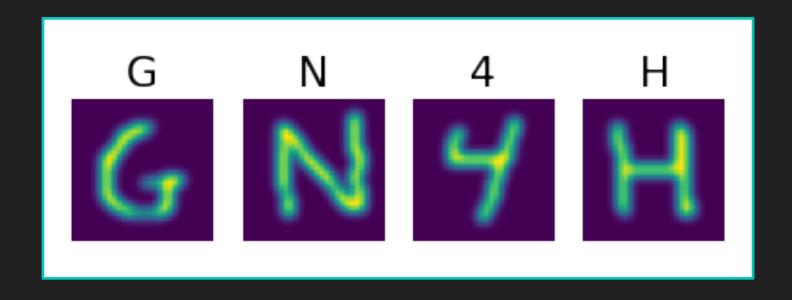












Conclusion

Presentation of the application

Good accuracy with our model

To be improved for character recognition

Sources

Dataset: MNIST dataset and EMNIST dataset

Reference: https://www.kaggle.com/c/digit-recognizer