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# Neural Networks and Deep Learning

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## This Lecture: Convolutional Neural Networks IV

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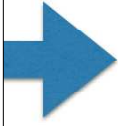
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# This Lecture

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- CNNs in practice
- Gabor functions
- CNN generating inputs

# CNN Training

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- Local minima of error-function landscape
  - ✦ Likely similar
  - ✦ Local minima not as much issue as traditionally thought
- Long plateaus of error-function landscape
  - ✦ Runtime impact
- Challenges
  - ✦ Training large number of parameters
  - ✦ Breaking symmetries between parameters
  - ✦ High-dimensional spaces — number of parameters and exemplars
  - ✦ Scalability

# CNNs in Practice (1)

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- **Architecture choice — task dependent**
- **More data —> more layers, more kernels**
  - **Computational cost**

# CNNs in Practice (2)

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- **Gradient descent (SGD) with momentum**
- **ReLU**
- **Learning rate**
  - **Choose initially on subset of data**
  - **Start with large learning rate, decrease until loss does not diverge**
  - **Higher rate of decrease towards end of training**
- **Parameter initialization — features should have similar variance**
- **Visualize features — should be uncorrelated and high variance**
- **Visualize trained kernels**
  - **Should be uncorrelated**
  - **Should have structure**
- **Do numeric checking of gradients — by finite differences**

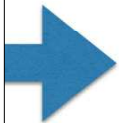
# CNNs in Practice (3)

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- **Training fails?**
  - Perhaps learning rate too large
  - BackProp bugs — do numerical check (finite differences)
- **Performance too low?**
  - If loss minimized — perhaps loss function not appropriate for given task
  - Perhaps network too small
  - Perhaps issues with units or parameters — use visualization
  - BackProp bugs
- **Runtime too slow?**
  - Perhaps network excessively large?
  - Consider distributed frameworks, GPU

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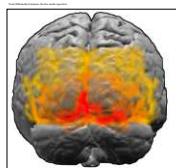
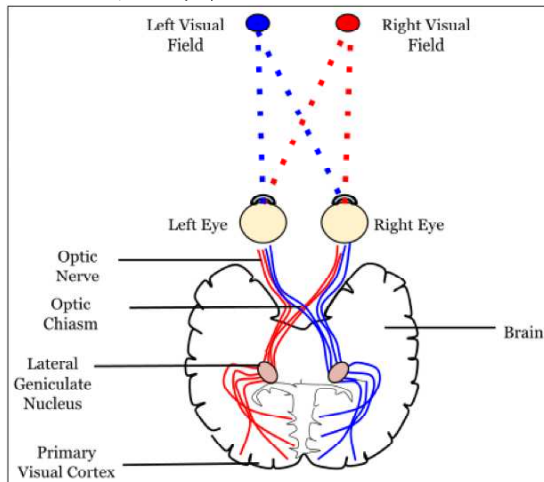
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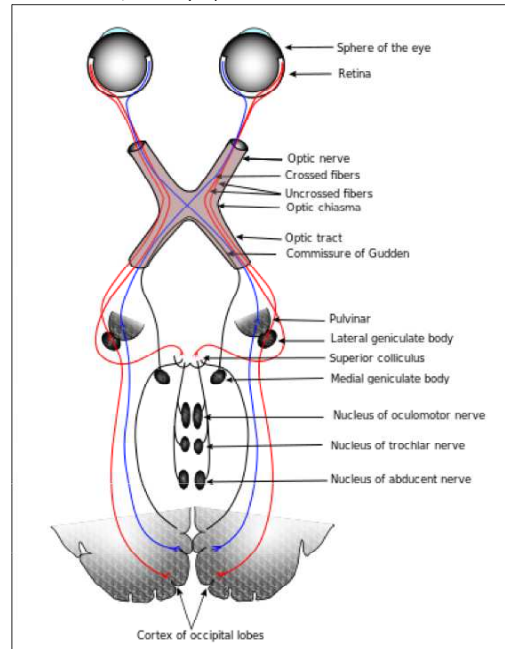
# Recap: Human Vision

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- Visual Cortex
- Caudal (posterior) view
- Brodmann areas 17, 18, 19

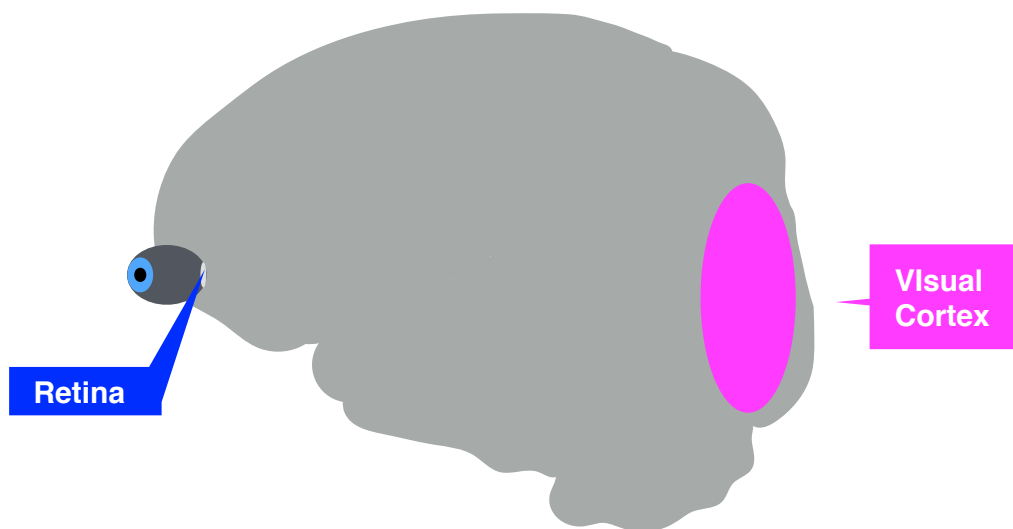
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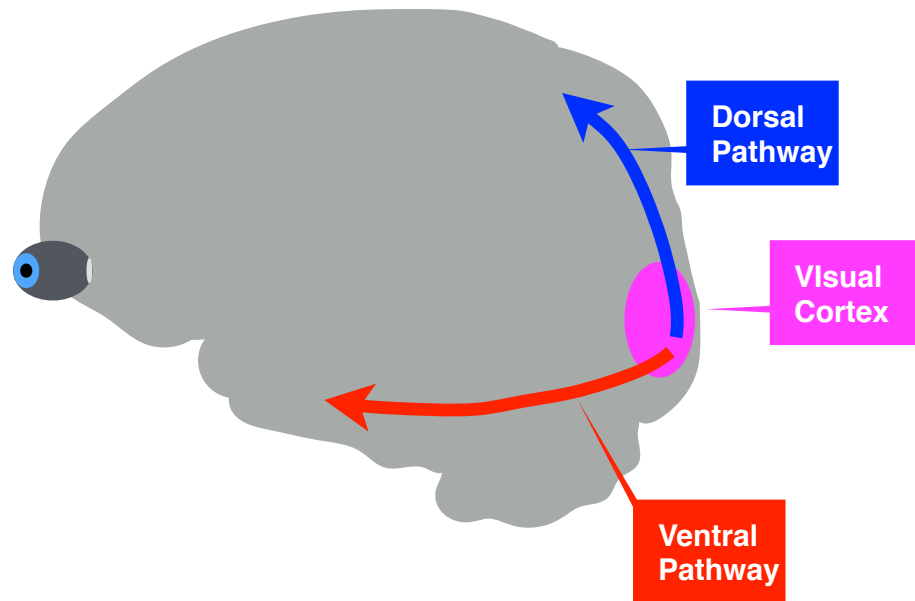
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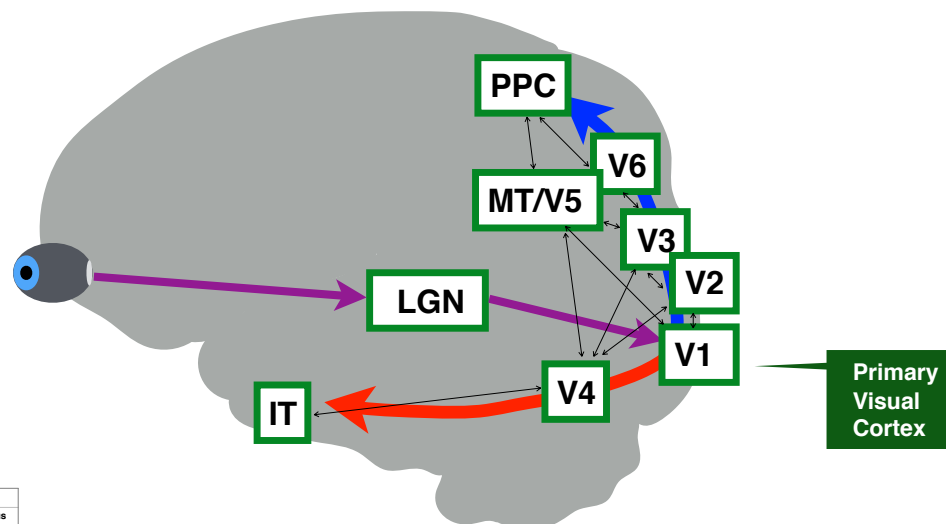
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## Recap: Pathways From Primary Visual Cortex



## Recap: Visual Information Flow (Simplified)



IT	Inferotemporal cortex
LGN	Lateral geniculate nucleus
PPC	Posterior parietal cortex
MT/V5	Middle temporal visual area
V1	Primary visual cortex
V2	Secondary visual cortex
V3, V4	Visual areas 3, 4

# CNN and Human Vision: Gabor Functions

- Information flow when viewing an object

- Retina → LGN → Visual Cortex V1, V2, V4, → IT

- V1 cells have weights that can be described by Gabor functions

- Simple cell response  $s(I)$

$$s(I) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathbb{Y}} w(x, y) I(x, y)$$

Gabor functions

- $w$  are Gabor functions

$$w(x, y; \alpha, \beta_x, \beta_y, f, \phi, x_0, y_0, \tau) = \alpha \exp(-\beta_x x'^2 - \beta_y y'^2) \cos(fx' + \phi),$$

where

$$x' = (x - x_0) \cos(\tau) + (y - y_0) \sin(\tau)$$

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- with parameters

$$\alpha, \beta_x, \beta_y, f, \phi, x_0, y_0, \text{ and } \tau$$

## Simple Cells as Gabor Functions

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Coordinate system

$$x_0, y_0, \tau$$

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i.e.,  $x$  and  $y$  are translated and rotated to form  $x'$  and  $y'$

Simple cell will respond to:

image features centered at  $(x_0, y_0)$

changes in brightness as we move along line rotated by  $\tau$  radians from horizontal

# Gabor Functions and Receptive Fields

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Function  $w$  responds to changes in brightness as we move along  $x'$  axis

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Gaussian – can be viewed as gating term that ensures that simple cell will respond only to:

- values near where both  $x'$  and  $y'$  are zero
- i.e. near *center* of cell's RECEPTIVE FIELD

- Scaling factor  $\alpha$  adjusts total magnitude of simple cell's response
- $\beta_x$  and  $\beta_y$  control how quickly receptive field falls off

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Cosine – can be viewed as controlling how simple cell responds to changing brightness along  $x'$  axis

- $f$  controls cosine's frequency

- $\phi$  is phase offset



# Simple Cells and Gabor Functions

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- **Cartoon view of simple cells:**
  - Simple cell responds to specific spatial frequency of brightness
    - ✦ In specific direction
    - ✦ At specific location
  - Simple cells excited most when
    - ✦ Wave of brightness in image has same phase as weights
    - ✦ This occurs when
      - Image bright where weights are positive
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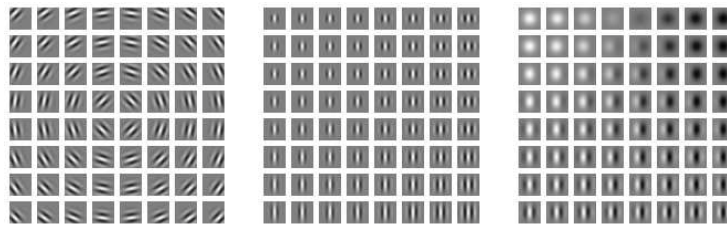
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- with parameters  $\alpha, \beta_x, \beta_y, f, \phi, x_0, y_0$ , and  $\tau$

- Examples with different parameter settings

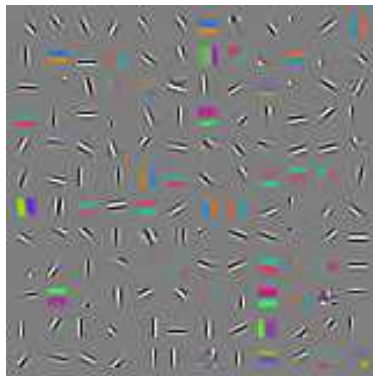


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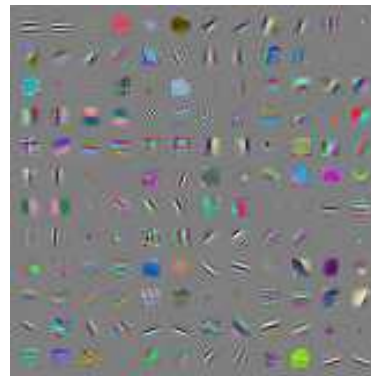
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# Gabor-Like Learned Kernels



Weights learned by unsupervised learning algorithm (spike and slab sparse coding) applied to small image patches



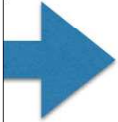
Convolution kernels learned by first layer of fully supervised convolutional maxout network (neighboring pairs of filters drive same maxout unit)

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## CNN Generating Inputs

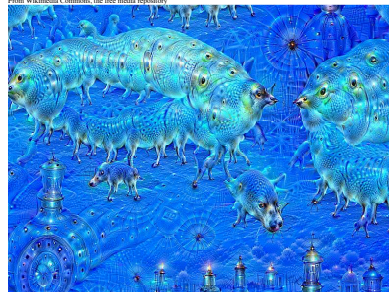
- **Generate variants of input data**
  - By activation of CNN output layer units
  - Potential utility for improving training
- **DeepDream example**

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