

Padding and Stride

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In [1]: from mxnet import nd
from mxnet.gluon import nn

# Takes convolution operation and applies it to X
def comp_conv2d(conv2d, X):
    conv2d.initialize()
    # Add two extra empty dimensions to X
    X = X.reshape((1, 1) + X.shape)
    Y = conv2d(X)
    return Y.reshape(Y.shape[2:])
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Padding

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In [2]: conv2d = nn.Conv2D(1, kernel_size=3, padding=1)
        X = nd.random.uniform(shape=(8, 8))
        # Padding of 1 leaves shape unchanged for 3x3 convolution
        comp_conv2d(conv2d, X).shape
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Out[2]: (8, 8)

Strides

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In [3]: conv2d = nn.Conv2D(1, kernel_size=3, padding=1, strides=2)
        comp_conv2d(conv2d, X).shape
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Out[3]: (4, 4)

Asymmetric kernels, padding and strides

We can use different strides, different kernel sizes and different padding for height and width. This can be used, e.g. to adjust the size to a desired shape (4:3 to 1:1).

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In [4]: # pad only vertically and use different strides on the 8x8 image  
conv2d = nn.Conv2D(1, kernel_size=(3, 5), padding=(0, 1), strides=(3, 4))  
comp_conv2d(conv2d, X).shape
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Out[4]: (2, 2)
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