

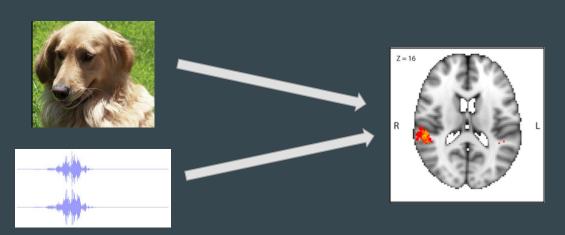
The Brain Sees, The Brain Hears

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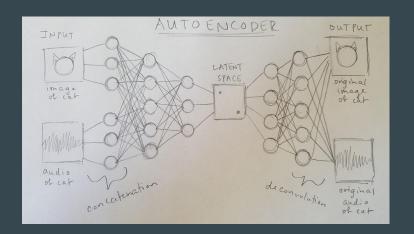
Inspiration/Background

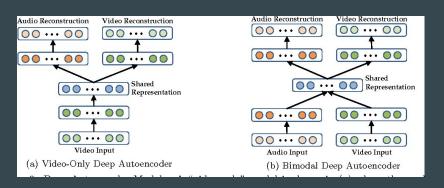
- Professor Kingson Man → Brain and Creativity Institute
- Mapping sensory input to areas of the brain
- GOAL: learn unified representation of multi-modal sensory input
 - o In a neural network rather than the human brain



Initial Steps

- Concepts
 - Autoencoders
 - PCA (latent space)
- Tools
 - Keras
 - Variational autoencoder framework
 - Moments in Time
 - Datasets of labeled videos
 - Deepmind
 - Research papers
 - Andrew Ng's 2015 project





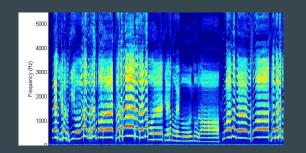
Obstacles Faced

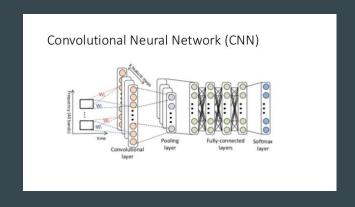
- New concept: autoencoder
- Little prior experience
- Open-ended project
- Finding an adequate dataset



Current stage

- Building two CNNs to connect to the autoencoder
 - 2D for spectrograms from audio
 - o 3D for video
- Extract mp3s/WAV from videos in dataset
- Generate spectrograms from audio files





Next Steps

- Continue building CNNs and autoencoders
- Integrate other/more models
 - o GAN
 - Popular in industry
 - o RNN
 - Recurrent nature could work well with audio
- Utilize dataset in different ways
- Read more research papers
- Continue meeting/communicating with Kingson