



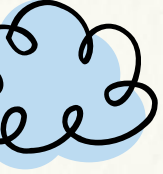
**BLG 506E – COMPUTER VISION**

# *TERM PROJECT FINAL PRESENTATION*

Generating FEN Descriptions of Chess Boards by Using  
Two Important Pre-trained CNN Architectures

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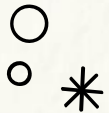
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# Problem Statement



## Build Models

Building two different models able to learn how to generate FEN labels



## GoogleNet better ?

Showing that GoogleNet is a better model than AlexNet by using a real dataset



## Different Hyperparameters

Rebuilt models and showing how results change with different hyperparameters



# Methodology

## Applied Processes/Methods

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Repeat these processes with different hyper parameters

Hyperparameters			
Model	Learning Rate	Optimizer	Batch Size
AlexNet	0.1	Adam	32
GoogleNet	0.01	SGD	64
	0.001		128

# Methodology

	Model	Learning Rate	Optimizer	Batch Size
1. Case	AlexNet	0.1	Adam	64
2. Case	AlexNet	0.1	Adam	32
3. Case	AlexNet	0.1	Adam	128
4. Case	AlexNet	0.1	SGD	64
5. Case	AlexNet	0.1	SGD	32
6. Case	AlexNet	0.1	SGD	128
7. Case	AlexNet	0.01	Adam	64
8. Case	AlexNet	0.01	Adam	32
9. Case	AlexNet	0.01	Adam	128
10. Case	AlexNet	0.01	SGD	64
11. Case	AlexNet	0.01	SGD	32
12. Case	AlexNet	0.01	SGD	128
13. Case	AlexNet	0.001	Adam	64
14. Case	AlexNet	0.001	Adam	32
15. Case	AlexNet	0.001	Adam	128
16. Case	AlexNet	0.001	SGD	64
17. Case	AlexNet	0.001	SGD	32
18. Case	AlexNet	0.001	SGD	128
19. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	Adam	64
20. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	Adam	32
21. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	Adam	128
22. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	SGD	64
23. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	SGD	32
24. Case	GoogleNet	0.1	SGD	128
25. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	Adam	64
26. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	Adam	32
27. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	Adam	128
28. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	SGD	64
29. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	SGD	32
30. Case	GoogleNet	0.01	SGD	128
31. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	Adam	64
32. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	Adam	32
33. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	Adam	128
34. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	SGD	64
35. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	SGD	32
36. Case	GoogleNet	0.001	SGD	128

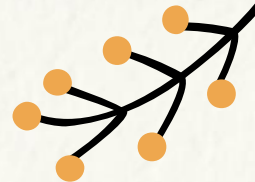
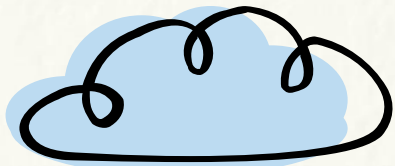
For each case,  
repeat



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# Used Datasets & Used Evaluation metrics



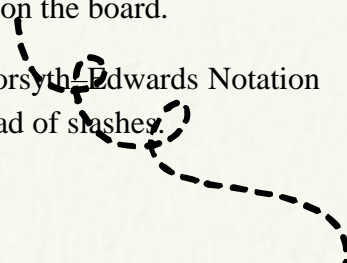
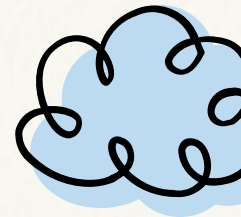
Chess Positions dataset put by Pavel Koryakin on the Kaggle website

<https://www.kaggle.com/koryakin/chess-positions>.



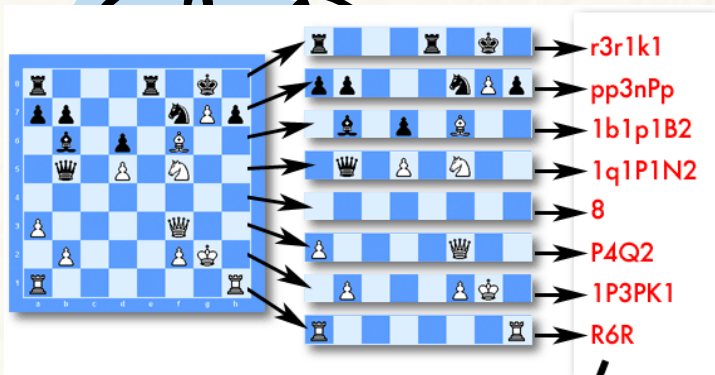
Three exaple images and labels from train dataset

- All images are 400 by 400 pixels.
- Training set: 80000 images
- Test set: 20000 images
- Pieces were generated with the following probability distribution:
  - 30% for Pawn
  - 20% for Bishop
  - 20% for Knight
  - 20% for Rook
  - 0% for Queen
- 2 Kings are guaranteed to be on the board.
- Labels are in a filename in Forsyth-Edwards Notation format, but with dashes instead of slashes.





# Used Datasets & Used Evaluation metrics



First, take the diagram that you want to convert into FEN, and look at each rank individually. Each piece has a letter to represent it in FEN code, and blank squares are represented by a number indicating the number of blank squares.

QKRBNP = White Queen, King, Rook, Bishop, Knight, and Pawn.

qkrbnp = Black Queen, King, Rook, Bishop, Knight, and Pawn.

Convert each rank into a short FEN string, as shown above. (See below for more info.)

**r3r1k1/pp3nPp/1b1p1B2/1q1P1N2/8/P4Q2/1P3PK1/R6R**

## Forsyth-Edwards Notation (FEN)

"Forsyth-Edwards Notation F.A.Q.", Chessgames.com. [Online]. Available: <https://www.chessgames.com/fenhelp.html>.

A FEN record contains six fields. The separator between fields is a space. The fields are:

1. Piece placement (from White's perspective). Each rank is described, *starting with rank 8* and ending with rank 1; within each rank, the contents of each square are described from file "a" through file "h". Following the Standard Algebraic Notation (SAN), each piece is identified by a single letter taken from the standard English names (pawn = "P", knight = "N", bishop = "B", rook = "R", queen = "Q" and king = "K"). White pieces are designated using upper-case letters ("PNBRQK") while black pieces use lowercase ("pnbrqk"). Empty squares are noted using digits 1 through 8 (the number of empty squares), and "/" separates ranks.
2. Active color. "w" means White moves next; "b" means Black moves next.
3. Castling availability. If neither side can castle, this is "-". Otherwise, this has one or more letters: "K" (White can castle kingside), "Q" (White can castle queenside), "k" (Black can castle kingside), and/or "q" (Black can castle queenside). A move that temporarily prevents castling does not negate this notation.
4. En passant target square in algebraic notation. If there's no en passant target square, this is "-". If a pawn has just made a two-square move, this is the position "behind" the pawn. This is recorded regardless of whether there is a pawn in position to make an en passant capture.<sup>[6]</sup>
5. Halfmove clock: This is the number of halfmoves since the last capture or pawn advance. The reason for this field is that the value is used in the fifty-move rule.
6. Fullmove number: The number of the full move. It starts at 1, and is incremented after Black's move.

# \*Used Datasets & Used Evaluation metrics

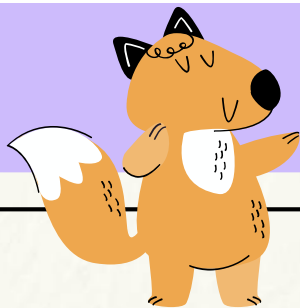


## 1

### Accuracy

		Actual	
		Positive	Negative
Predicted	Positive	True Positive	False Positive
	Negative	False Negative	True Negative

$$\text{Accuracy} = (TP+TN) / (TP+FP+FN+TN)$$



## 2

### Cross-Entropy Loss

In binary classification, where the number of classes  $M$  equals 2, cross-entropy can be calculated as:

$$-(y \log(p) + (1 - y) \log(1 - p))$$

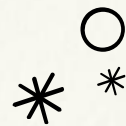
If  $M > 2$  (i.e. multiclass classification), we calculate a separate loss for each class label per observation and sum the result.

$$-\sum_{c=1}^M y_{o,c} \log(p_{o,c})$$

#### Note

- $M$  - number of classes (dog, cat, fish)
- $\log$  - the natural log
- $y$  - binary indicator (0 or 1) if class label  $c$  is the correct classification for observation  $o$
- $p$  - predicted probability observation  $o$  is of class  $c$

[https://ml-cheatsheet.readthedocs.io/en/latest/loss\\_functions.html](https://ml-cheatsheet.readthedocs.io/en/latest/loss_functions.html)





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**Chess Board Image Size for Training & Validation :**

**1000 Board Image**

**Chess Board Image Size for Test:**

**200 Board Image**

**Dataset for Training & Validation :**

**1000 x 64 = 64000 Image**

**Dataset for Test:**

**200 x 64 = 12800 Image**



**Image Preprocessing:**

1. Taking FEN notations and converting FEN to label
2. Convert image to gray scale
3. Taking out grids of the board as 64 images
4. Resize Images to (224,224)
5. Convert gray Images to 3 channel Images

**Train and Validation Split = 0.2**

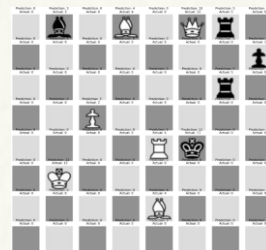
**Train Dataset = 80%**

**Validation Dataset = 20%**



Label size = 13

```
emptyGrid = 0
blackPawn = 1
whitePawn = 2
blackBishop = 3
whiteBishop = 4
blackRock = 5
whiteRock = 6
blackKnight = 7
whiteKnight = 8
blackQueen = 9
whiteQueen = 10
blackKing = 11
whiteKing = 12
```



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## Freeze initial layers, train classifiers for both models!

**Freeze**

```
AlexNet(  
  (features): Sequential(  
    (0): Conv2d(3, 64, kernel_size=(11, 11), stride=(4, 4), padding=(2, 2))  
    (1): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (2): MaxPool2d(kernel_size=3, stride=2, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil_mode=False)  
    (3): Conv2d(64, 192, kernel_size=(5, 5), stride=(1, 1), padding=(2, 2))  
    (4): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (5): MaxPool2d(kernel_size=3, stride=2, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil_mode=False)  
    (6): Conv2d(192, 384, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1))  
    (7): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (8): Conv2d(384, 256, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1))  
    (9): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (10): Conv2d(256, 256, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1))  
    (11): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (12): MaxPool2d(kernel_size=3, stride=2, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil_mode=False)  
  )  
  (avgpool): AdaptiveAvgPool2d(output_size=(6, 6))  
  (classifier): Sequential(  
    (0): Dropout(p=0.5, inplace=False)  
    (1): Linear(in_features=9216, out_features=4096, bias=True)  
    (2): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (3): Dropout(p=0.5, inplace=False)  
    (4): Linear(in_features=4096, out_features=4096, bias=True)  
    (5): ReLU(inplace=True)  
    (6): Linear(in_features=4096, out_features=13, bias=True)  
  )  
)
```

**Train**

```
GoogLeNet(  
  (conv1): BasicConv2d(  
    (conv): Conv2d(3, 64, kernel_size=(7, 7), stride=(2, 2), padding=(3, 3), bias=False)  
    (bn): BatchNorm2d(64, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
  )  
  (maxpool1): MaxPool2d(kernel_size=3, stride=2, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil_mode=True)  
  (conv2): BasicConv2d(  
    (conv): Conv2d(64, 64, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
    (bn): BatchNorm2d(64, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
  )  
  (conv3): BasicConv2d(  
    (conv): Conv2d(64, 192, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1), bias=False)  
    (bn): BatchNorm2d(192, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
  )  
  (maxpool2): MaxPool2d(kernel_size=3, stride=2, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil_mode=True)  
  (branch1): BasicConv2d(  
    (conv): Conv2d(192, 64, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
    (bn): BatchNorm2d(64, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
  )  
  (branch2): Sequential(  
    (0): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(192, 96, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
      (bn): BatchNorm2d(96, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
    )  
    (1): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(96, 128, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1), bias=False)  
      (bn): BatchNorm2d(128, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
    )  
  )  
  (branch3): Sequential(  
    (0): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(192, 16, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
      (bn): BatchNorm2d(16, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
    )  
    (1): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(16, 32, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1), bias=False)  
      (bn): BatchNorm2d(32, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
    )  
  )  
  (aux1): InceptionAux(  
    (conv): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(128, 128, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
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    (fc1): Linear(in_features=2888, out_features=1024, bias=True)  
    (fc2): Linear(in_features=1024, out_features=1000, bias=True)  
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  (aux2): InceptionAux(  
    (conv): BasicConv2d(  
      (conv): Conv2d(128, 128, kernel_size=(1, 1), stride=(1, 1), bias=False)  
      (bn): BatchNorm2d(128, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
    )  
    (fc1): Linear(in_features=2888, out_features=1024, bias=True)  
    (fc2): Linear(in_features=1024, out_features=1000, bias=True)  
    (bn): BatchNorm2d(128, eps=0.001, momentum=0.1, affine=True, track_running_stats=True)  
  )  
  (avgpool): AdaptiveAvgPool2d(output_size=(1, 1))  
  (dropout): Dropout(p=0.2, inplace=False)  
  (fc): Linear(in_features=1024, out_features=13, bias=True)  
)
```

- For Each epoch
- Set model to training mode for trainig, eval mode for validation
- Iterate through all batches of images and labels
- Take model output
- Calculate the loss using CrossEntropyLoss
- Empties the gradient tensors from previous batch in training mode
- Perform back-propagation in training mode
- Update the weight parameters in training mode
- Calculate train and val loss
- Calculate train and val accuracy



## AlexNet



Better Accuracy than GoogleNet



GAP between losses and Overfit



No Underfit



Validation dataset is easier to predict



Unrepresentative Validation Dataset

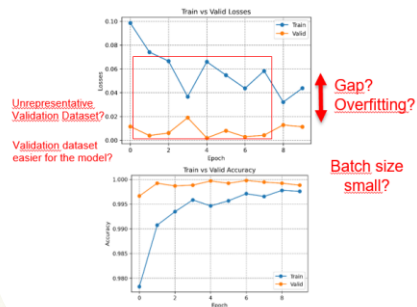


More parameters to learn

## Intermediate results & discussions

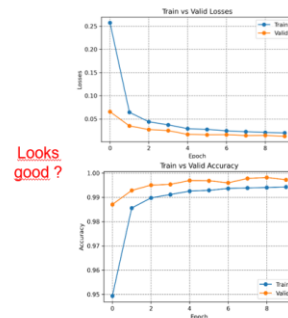
No Underfit

### AlexNet



Accuracy of the network on the 12800 test images: 99.8828125 %

### GoogleNet



Accuracy of the network on the 12800 test images: 99.8125 %

## GoogleNet



AlexNet has better Accuracy



No gap and Overfit



No Underfit



More smooth (no noisy movements)



Curves looks good!



Less parameters to learn

### Parameter Name

Value

Learning Rate

0.001

Optimizer

Adam

Batch Size

64

### Parameter Name

Value

Cross-Entropy Loss

-

Epoch Number

10

Momentum

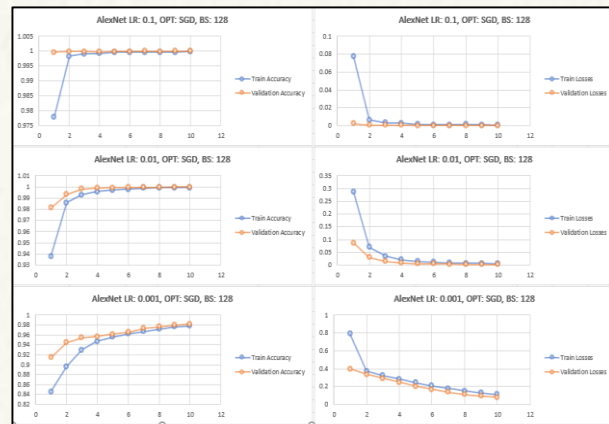
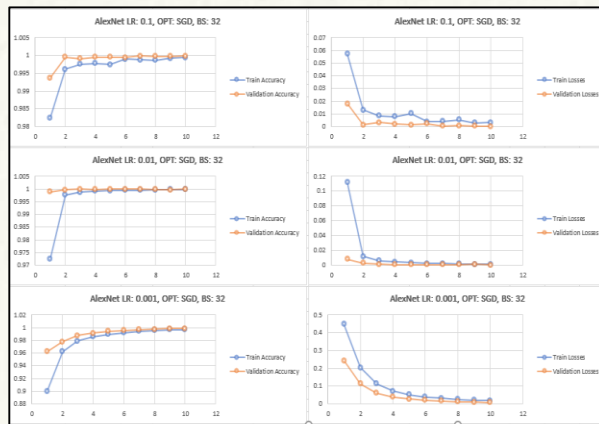
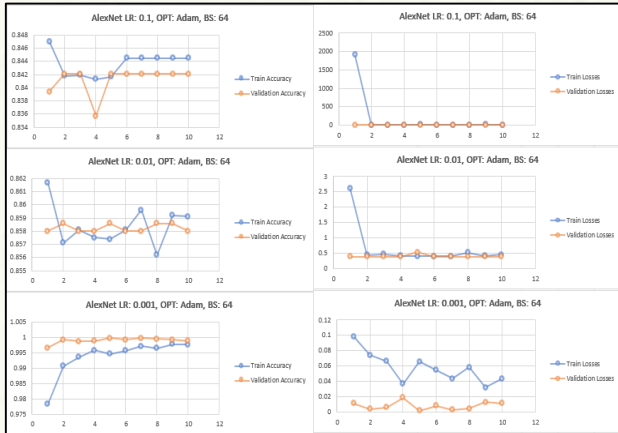
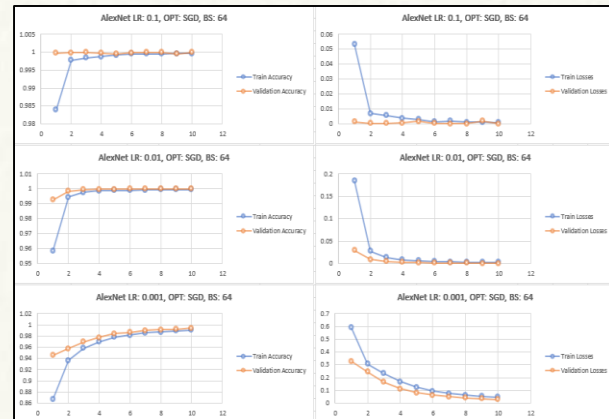
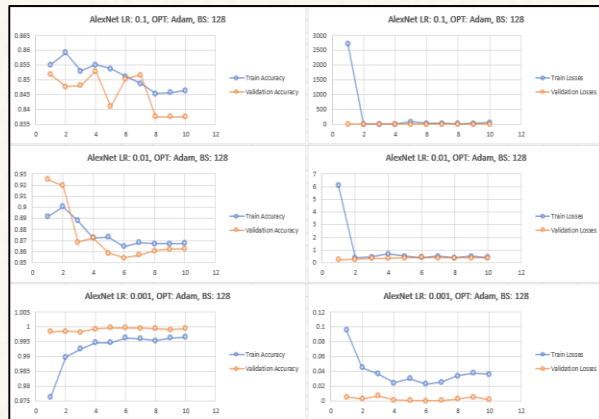
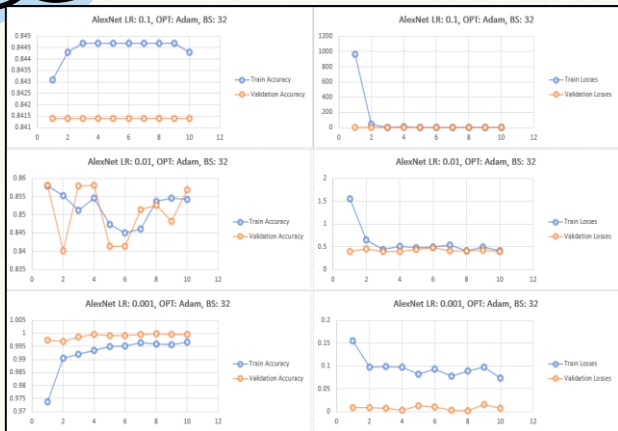
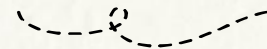
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Weight Decay

0.0000001

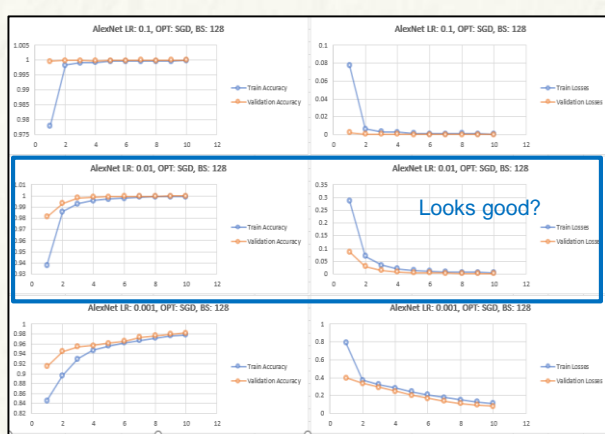
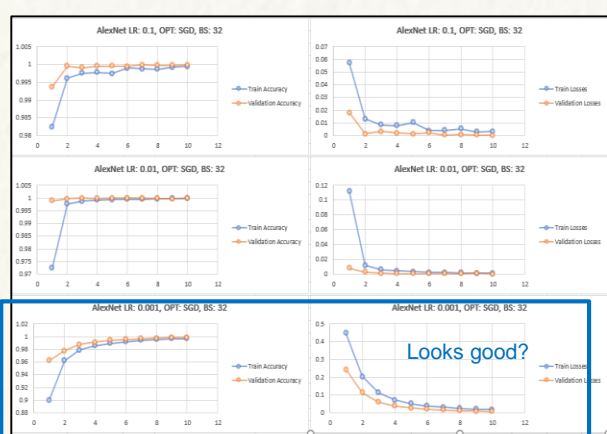
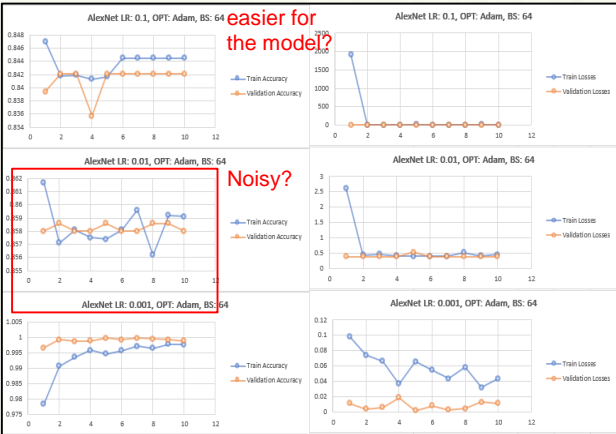
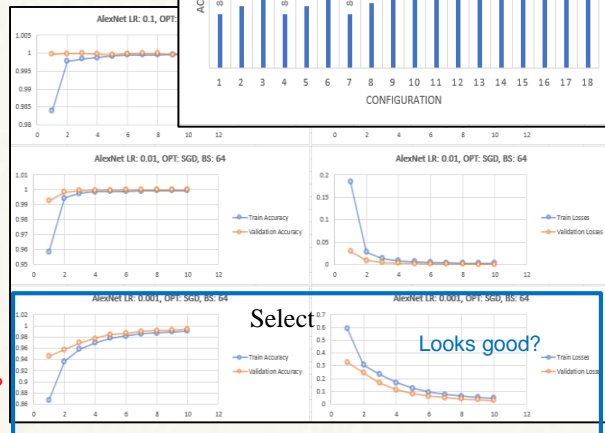
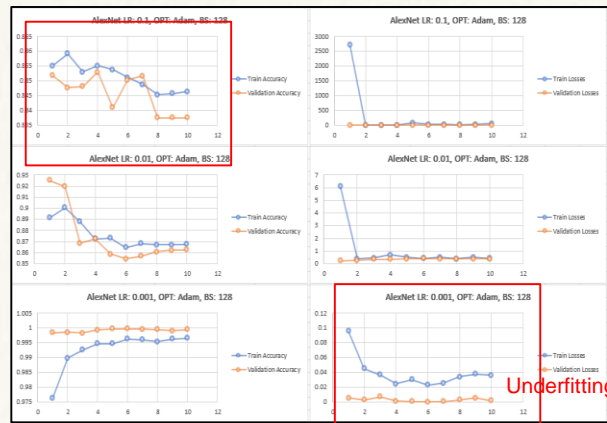
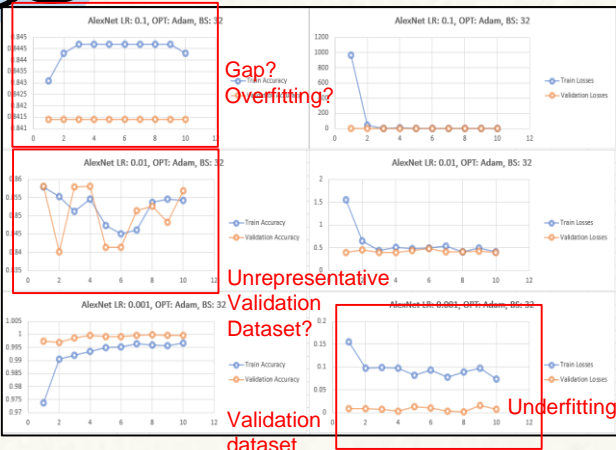
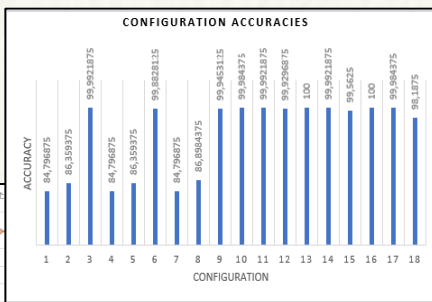
# Results & discussion

## AlexNet



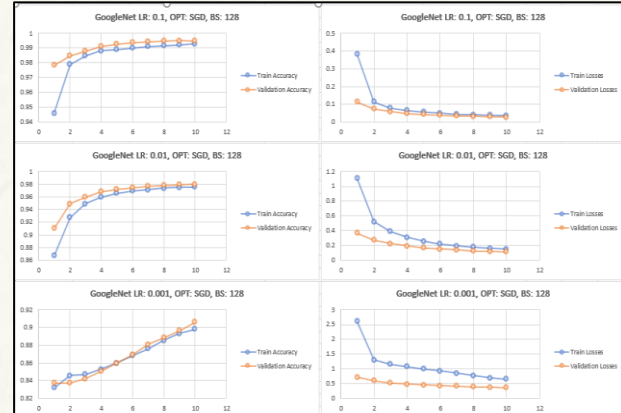
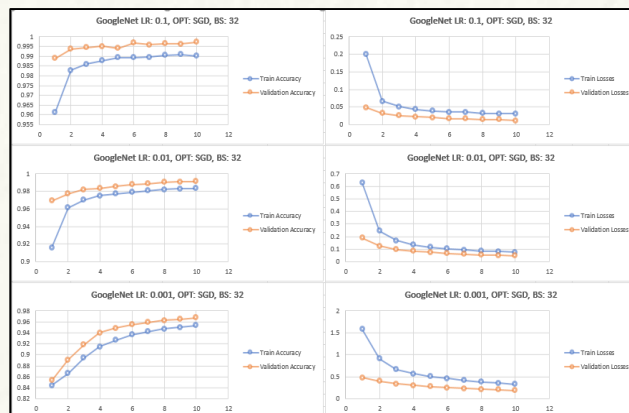
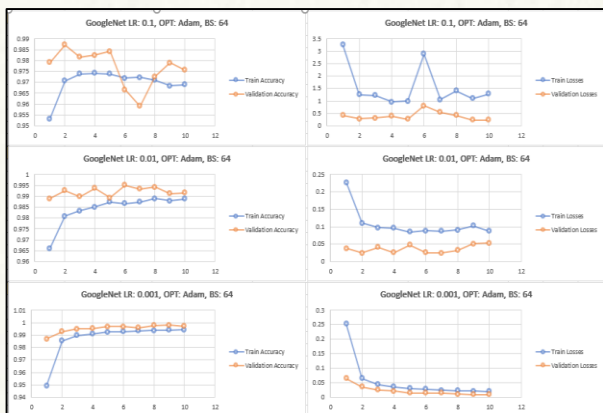
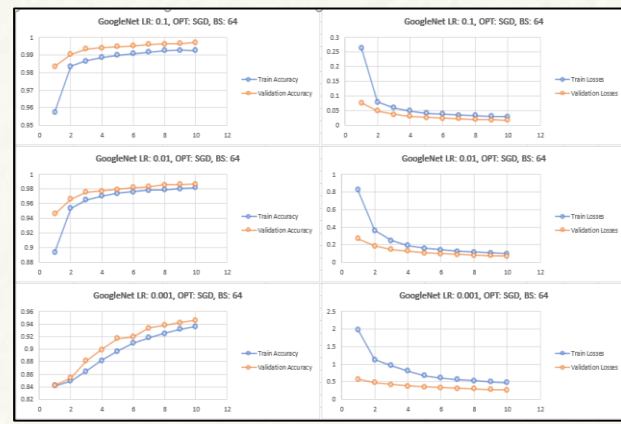
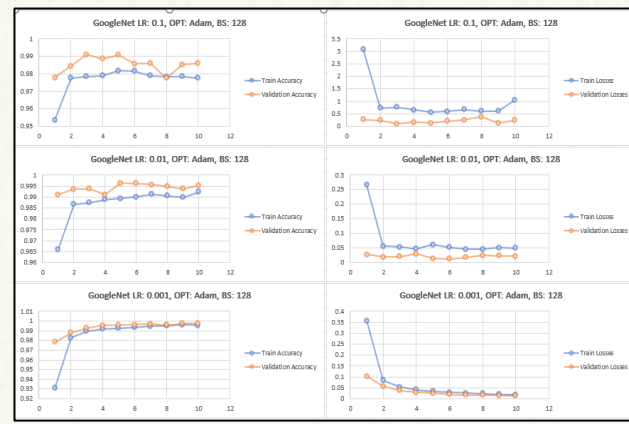
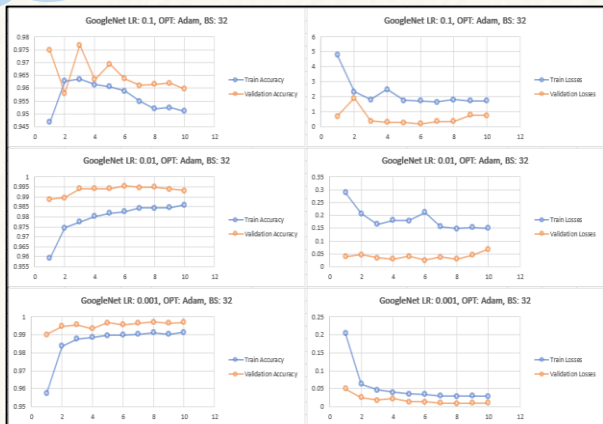
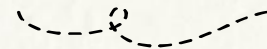
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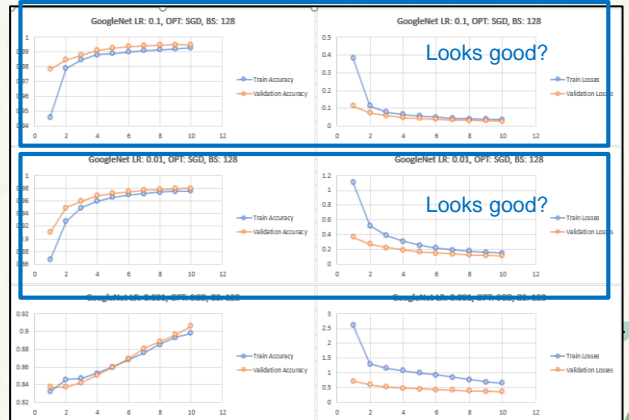
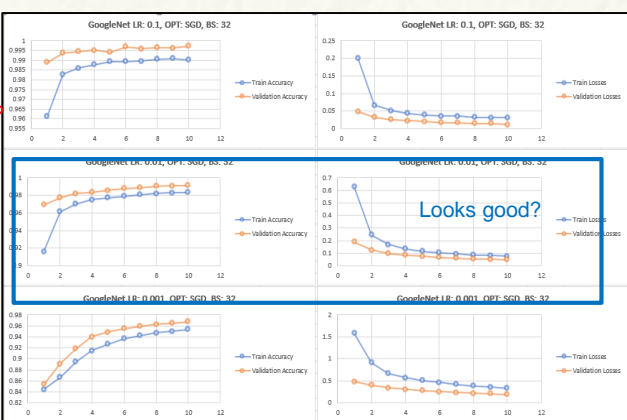
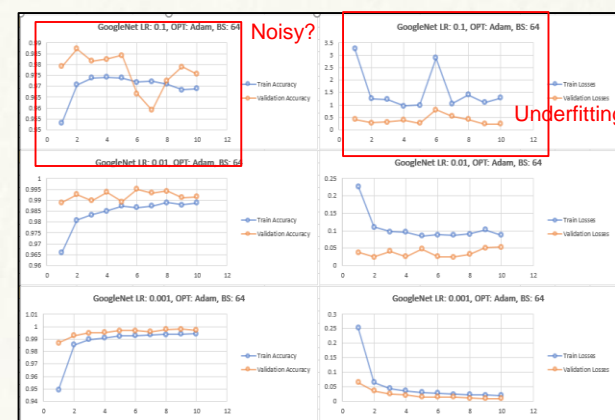
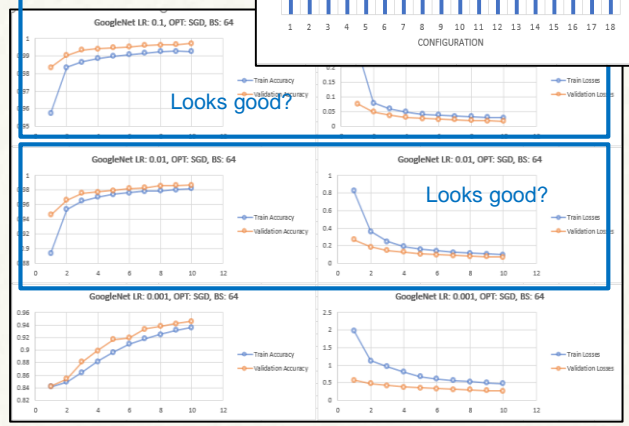
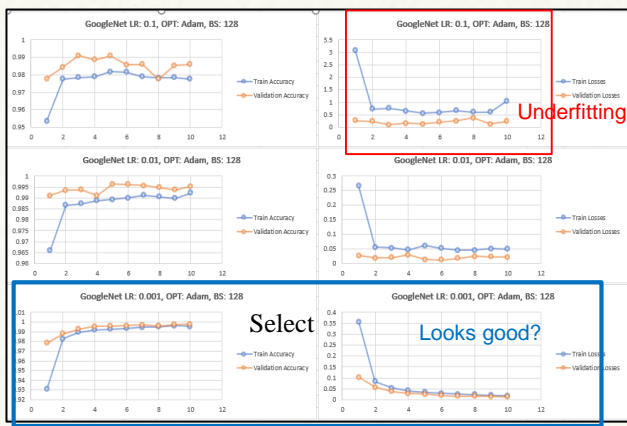
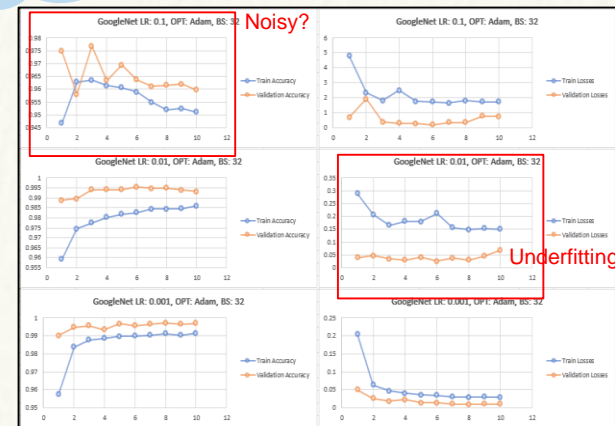
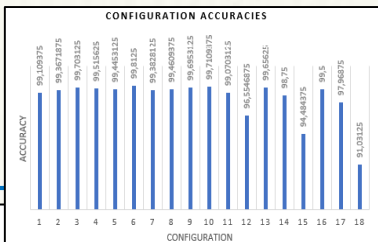


# Results & discussion

## GoogleNet

No overfitting?

More smoother curves?

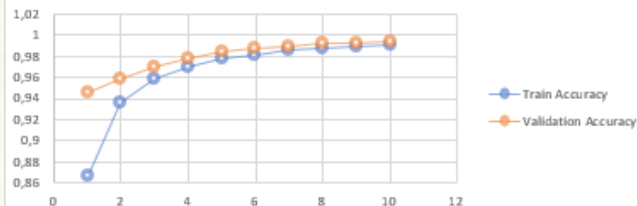


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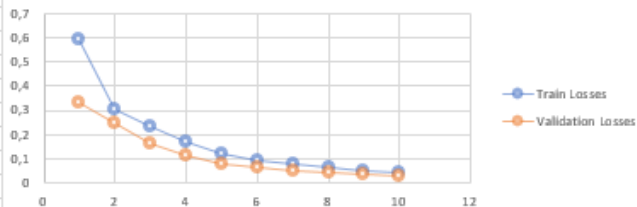


## AlexNet

AlexNet LR: 0.001, OPT: SGD, BS: 64



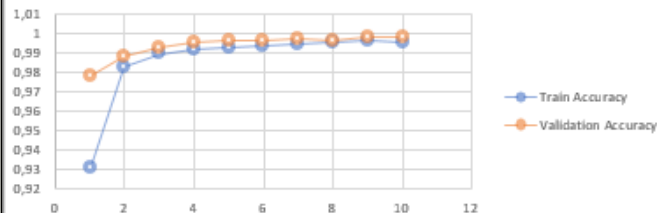
AlexNet LR: 0.001, OPT: SGD, BS: 64



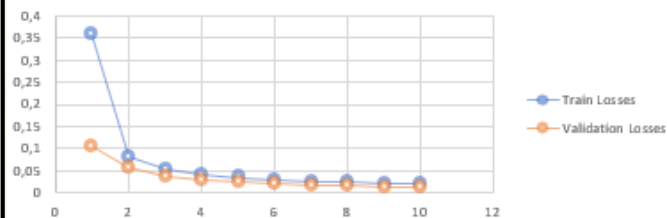
Accuracy of the model is 99,5625 %

## GoogleNet

GoogleNet LR: 0.001, OPT: Adam, BS: 128



GoogleNet LR: 0.001, OPT: Adam, BS: 128



Accuracy of the model is 99,6953125 %



# Some Predictions

AlexNet predicts

1Q5k-4BR2-8-5B1p-1K1N4-8-8-7n



Actual: 1Q5k-4BR2-8-5B1p-1K1N4-8-8-7n

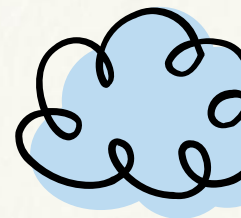
(a) Simple board

```
54 fenToLabel_Dict = {'p': blackPawn, 'P': whitePawn,
55                  'b': blackBishop, 'B': whiteBishop,
56                  'r': blackRook, 'R': whiteRook,
57                  'n': blackKnight, 'N': whiteKnight,
58                  'q': blackQueen, 'Q': whiteQueen,
59                  'k': blackKing, 'K': whiteKing,
60                  '0': emptyGrid}
61
62
```

```
418 labelToFen_Dict = {0:'0',
419                  1:'p',2:'P',
420                  3:'b',4:'B',
421                  5:'r',6:'R',
422                  7:'n',8:'N',
423                  9:'q',10:'Q',
424                  11:'k',12:'K'}
425
426
427
```

GoogleNet predicts

1Q5k-4BR2-8-5B1p-1K1N4-8-8-7n



# Some Predictions

AlexNet predicts

4kb1r-5ppp-4pn2-p1pp4-4P3-2P1PP2-PP3P1P-R4K1R



Actual: 4kb1r-5ppp-4pn2-p1pp4-4P3-2P1BP2-PP3P1P-R4K1R

(b) Different piece style

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54 fenToLabel_Dict = {'p': blackPawn, 'P': whitePawn,
55                  'b': blackBishop, 'B': whiteBishop,
56                  'r': blackRock, 'R': whiteRock,
57                  'n': blackKnight, 'N': whiteKnight,
58                  'q': blackQueen, 'Q': whiteQueen,
59                  'k': blackKing, 'K': whiteKing,
60                  '': emptyGrid}
61
62
```

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418
419 labelToFen_Dict = {0:'0',
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426
427
```

GoogleNet predicts

4kb1r-5ppp-4pn2-p1pb4-4p3-2P1BP2-PP3P1P-R4K1R



AlexNet FEN

4kb1r-5ppp-4pn2-p1pp4-4P3-2P1BP2-PP3P1P-R4K1R



From progress presentation

GoogleNet FEN

4kb1r-5ppp-4pn2-p1pp4-4p3-2p1BP2-pP3P1P-R4K1R





# Some Predictions

AlexNet predicts

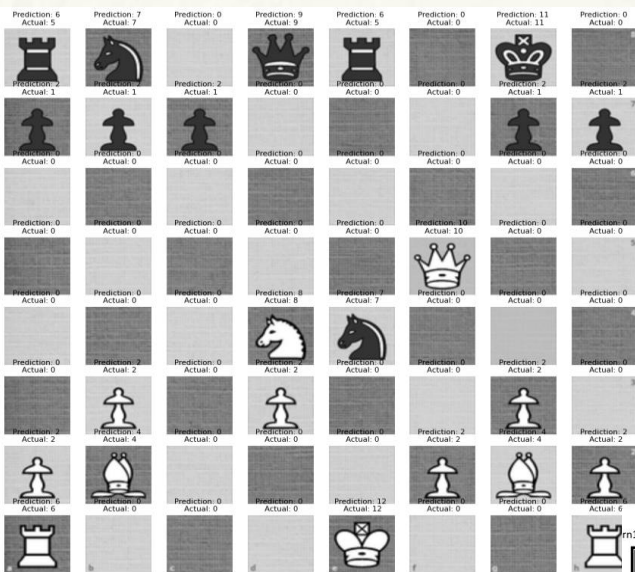
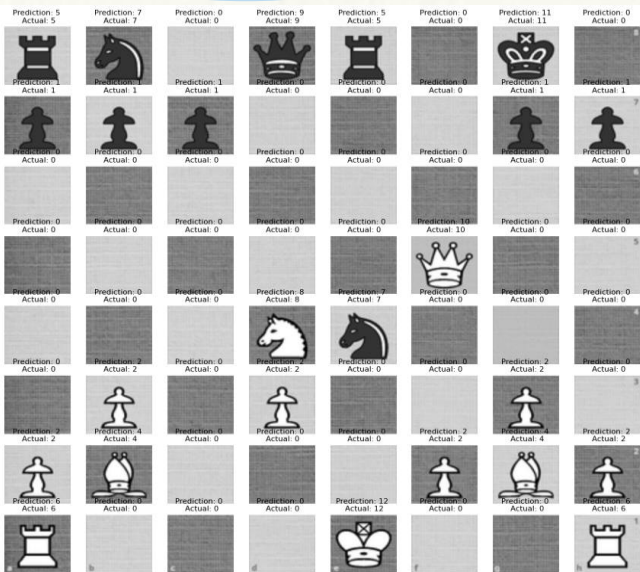
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GoogleNet predicts

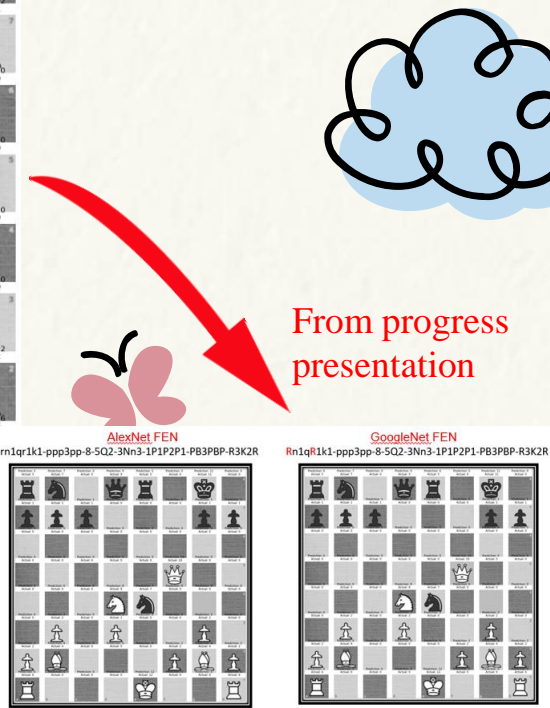
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418 labelToFen_Dict = {'0':'0',
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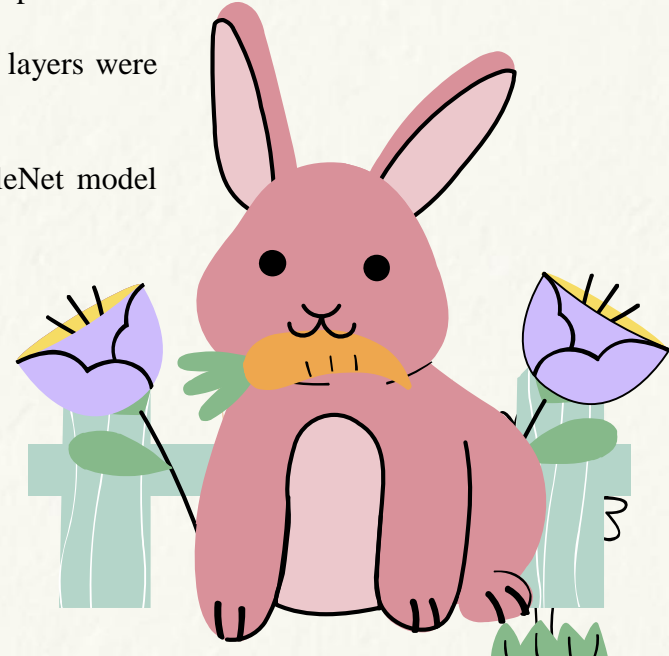


Actual: rn1qr1k1-ppp3pp-8-5Q2-3Nn3-1P1P2P1-PB3PBP-R3K2R  
(c) Crowded Board



# Conclusion

- One goal is to build two different models able to learn how to generate FEN labels.
- Second goal is to show that as it is said in “Going Deeper with Convolutions” paper, GoogleNet has a better performance than AlexNet by using a real dataset.
- It is also aimed to show how this situation changes with different hyper parameters (learning rate, optimizer and batch size).
- Finetuning methods were used. Initial layers were freezed and classifier layers were trained.
- Both models gives high accuracies.
- After analyzing results and performans metrics, It is shown that GoogleNet model looks more stable and suitable for the problem.
- AlexNet predicts better.
- Models may predict false when chess pieces are so different than dataset.







Thank you  
for listening!