

# Facial Keypoint Detection

Our experiments to beat Kaggle Leaderboard



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Final Project Presentation - W207 Fall 2018

# Agenda

- Facial Keypoint Dataset - Exploration
- Image Augmentation
- Deep Learning Approach
- Experiments / Hyper-parameter Tuning
- Popular CNN Architectures
- Transfer Learning
- Ensemble Methods
- Results & Future Enhancements

# Overview: Facial Keypoint Prediction (FKP)

- Predict keypoint positions on face images
- A challenging problem in the field of Computer Vision
- Facial features vary greatly between individuals
- Dependent on angle, size, illumination conditions etc.
- Facial keypoint detection - critical to face recognition

# Data (Kaggle Dataset)

Dataset: <https://www.kaggle.com/c/facial-keypoints-detection/data>

- 01      Training data: Facial image  
Labels: 15 pairs (x & y coordinates) of facial keypoints
  
- 02      training.csv: list of training 7049 images. Each row contains the  
(x,y) coordinates for 15 keypoints and image data as  
row-ordered list of pixels.  
  
test.csv: list of 1783 test images. Each row contains ImageId  
and image data as row-ordered list of pixels

# Data Cleaning & Exploration

Steps involved:

- Load .csv file; extract data and labels
- Image data: 96x96 pixels
- Normalize pixel values to be between 0 and 1
- Perform 80/20 (training / validation) split
- Records with missing labels found

# Dealing with Missing Values

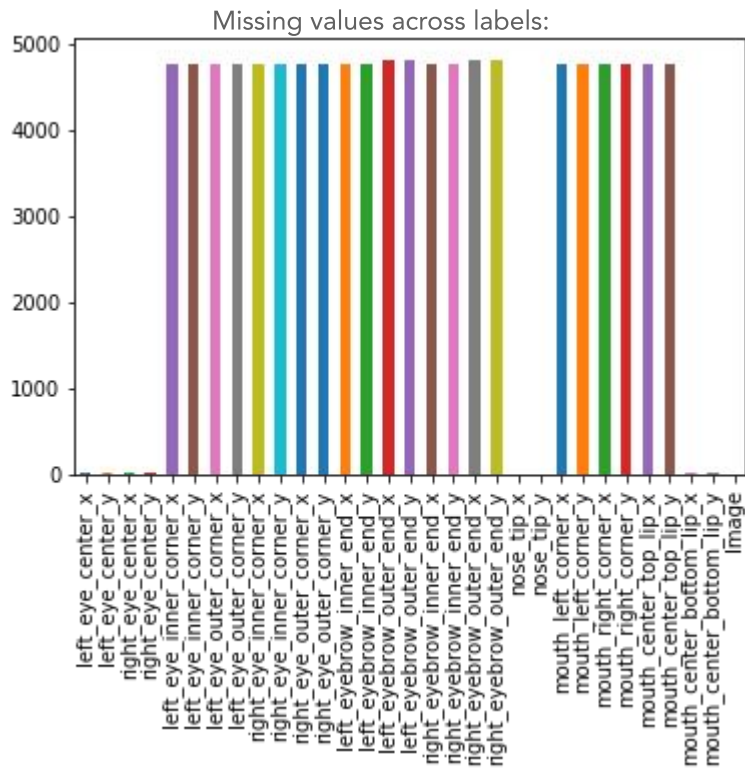
Two approaches for modeling:

#1 Eliminate training data where labels are missing (across 30 data points); build model using the available training data (total records: 1712 for training)

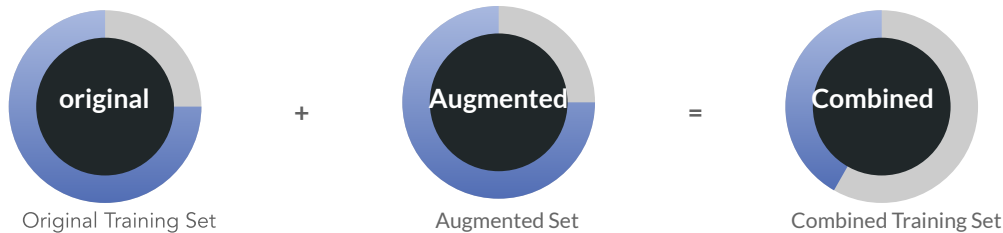
#2 Build 2 sets of datasets:

1. Training data, where 8 out of 30 labels are available across all records (7000 records)
2. Training data where remaining 22 labels are available across all records (2155 records)

Advantage of #2: More training data available

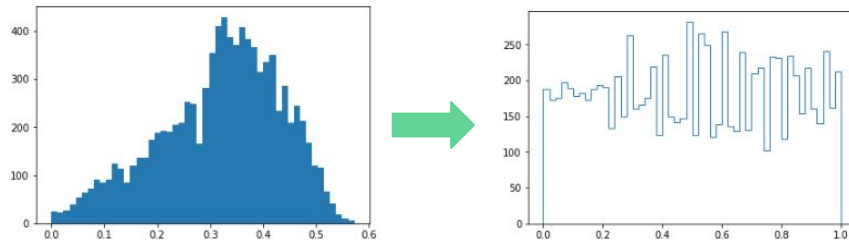


# Augmentation



A common practice for image processing and involves one or more of the following techniques:

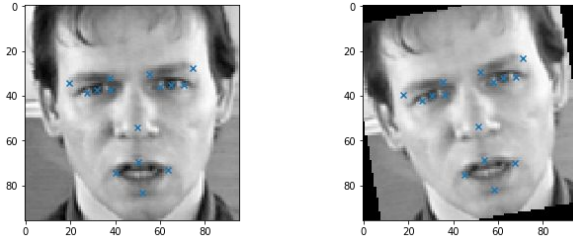
- Scale / normalization
- Rotation
- Flip - horizontal / vertical
- Histogram Equalization
- Blurring (Gaussian / Median)
- Shift (positional change)
- Contrast Reduction



# Augmentation - a few examples

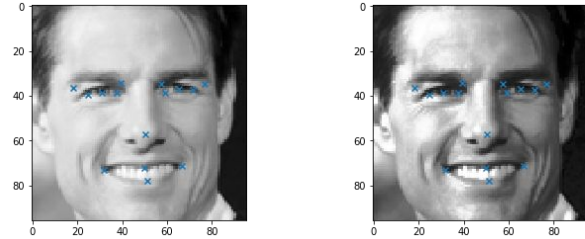
## Experiment 1: Rotation

- Rotation of image
- Transformation applied on labels



## Experiment 2: Histogram Equalization

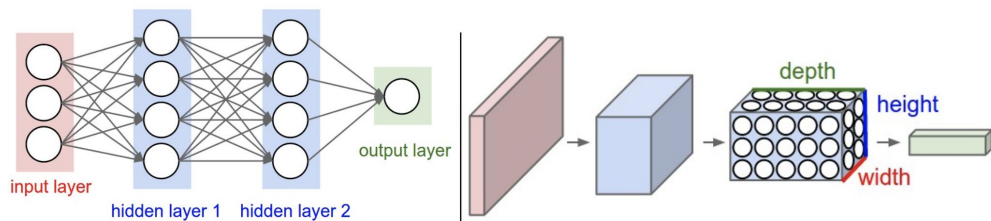
- Equalize pixel values
- No transformation applied on labels



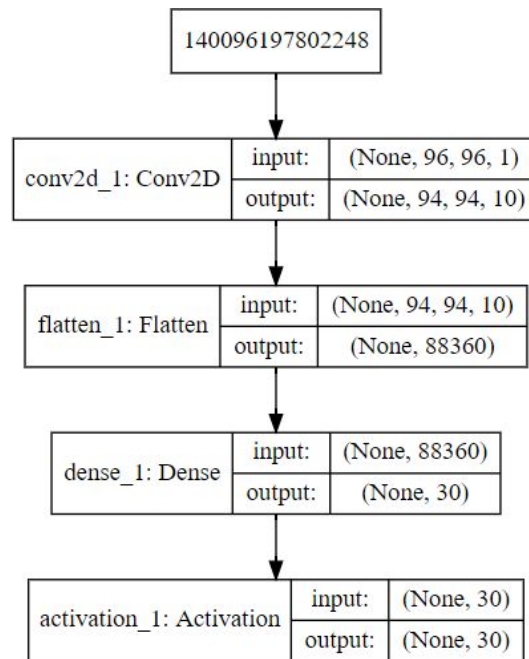


# Approach - Deep Learning

- Regular Neural Networks vs. Convolutional Neural Networks



- Baseline Model
  - No data augmentation, removed missing data
  - 1 Conv Layer + 1 Fully Connected Layer
  - Baseline validation RMSE ~8



# Experiments - Grid Search vs. Random Search

## Grid Search

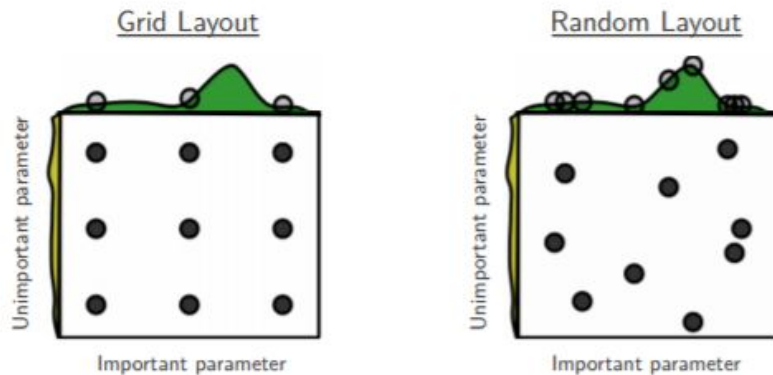
- Exhaustively search all parameter combinations

## Random Search

- Sample a given number of candidates from a parameter space with a specified distribution

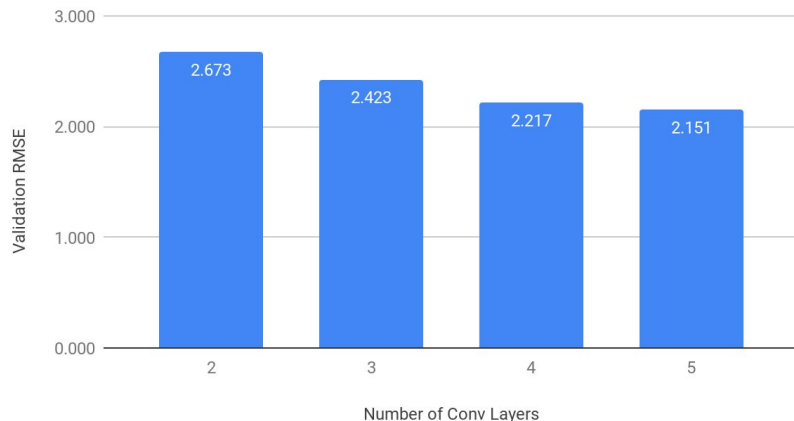
## Our Approach

- Grid search of 16 combinations
- Random search of 200 combinations
  - Basic architecture setup from initial model testing (LeNet-5, AlexNet, VGG-16)
  - Varying number of layers, filter size, number of neurons, activation functions, dropout layers, etc.
- Selected top models to continue tuning

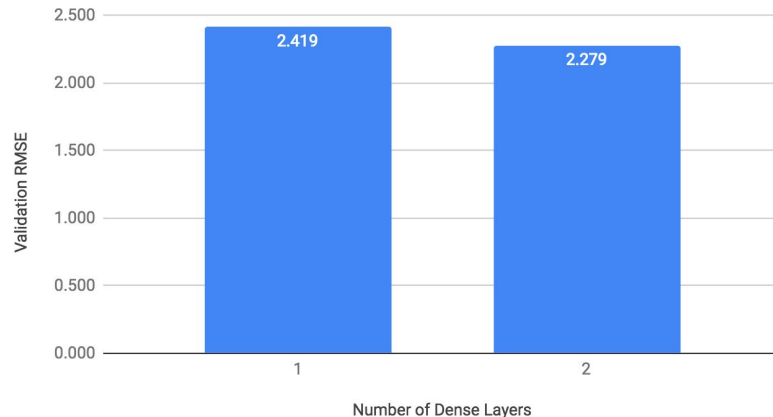


# Experiments - Number of Layers

Validation RMSE vs. Number of Conv Layers



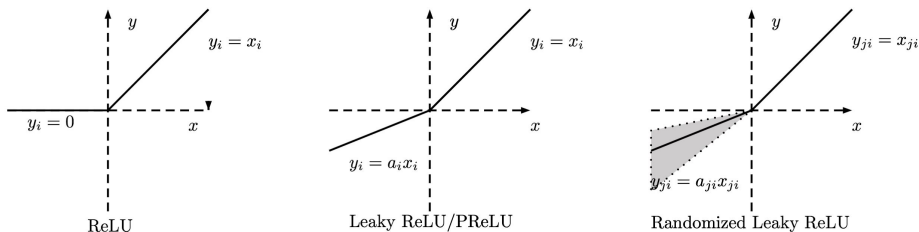
Validation RMSE vs. Number of Dense Layers



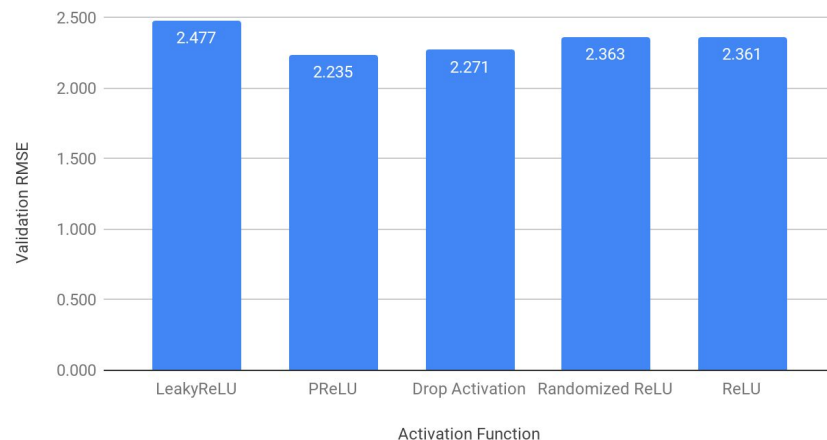
Go deep or go home -  
Performance significantly improves with more layers

# Experiments - Activation Function

- ReLU
- LeakyReLU
- Parametric ReLU
- Randomized ReLU
- Drop-Activation



Validation RMSE vs. Activation Function



<https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.05850>

<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1505.00853v2.pdf>

# Experiments - Batch Size

“Don't Decay the Learning Rate, Increase the Batch Size”

## Final Model Architecture

Conv Layer @8 + BatchNormalization  
MaxPooling  
Conv Layer @32 + BatchNormalization  
MaxPooling  
Conv Layer @64 + BatchNormalization  
Conv Layer @96 + BatchNormalization  
Conv Layer @128 + BatchNormalization  
MaxPooling  
Conv Layer @256 + BatchNormalization  
MaxPooling  
Dense @96  
Dense @96  
Dense @32  
Dense @number of output points

20 Epochs @64

20 Epochs @128

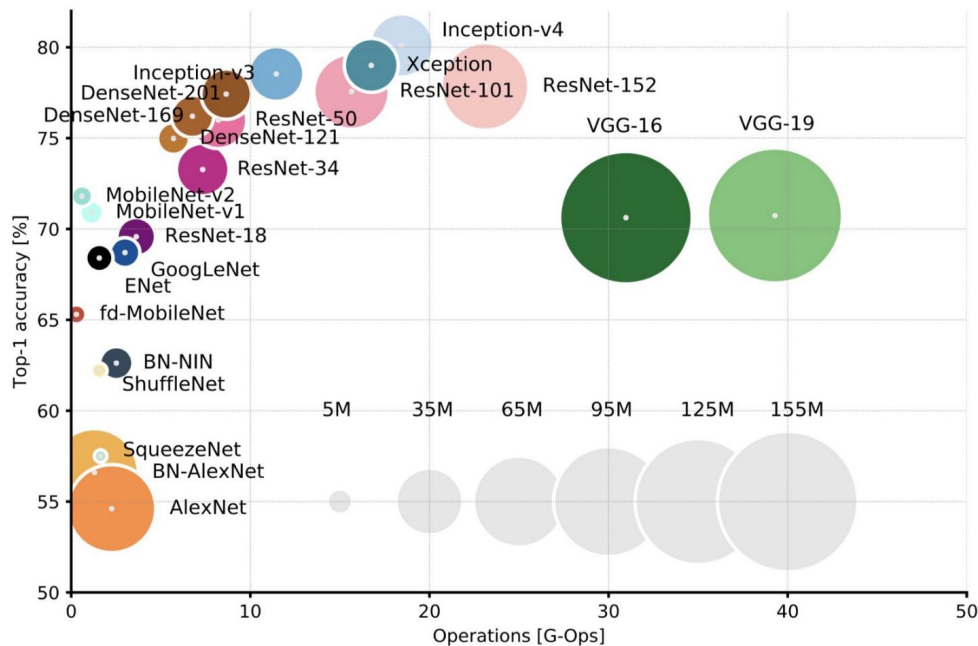
20 Epochs @256

60 Epochs @512



# Popular CNN Architectures

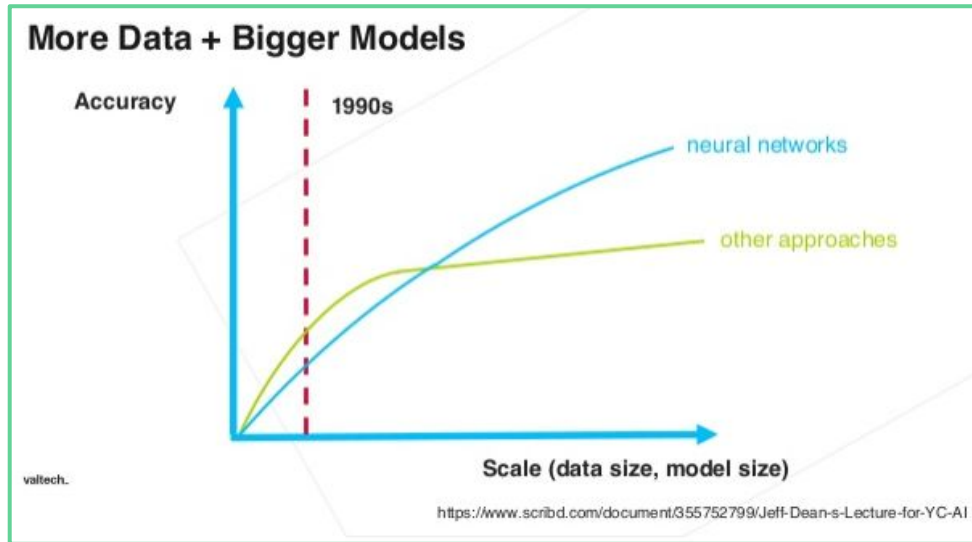
## Accuracy vs. Efficiency



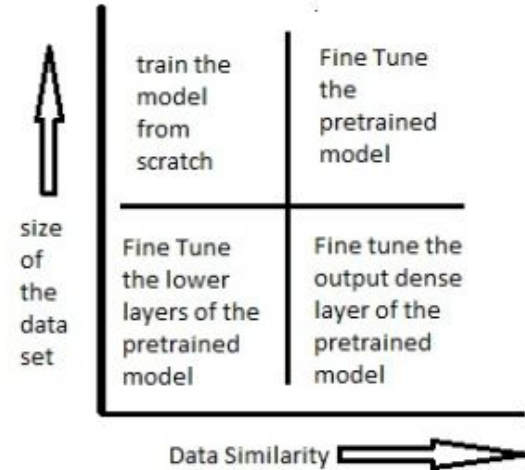
Model	Size	Top-1 Accuracy	Top-5 Accuracy	Parameters	Depth
Xception	88 MB	0.790	0.945	22,910,480	126
VGG16	528 MB	0.713	0.901	138,357,544	23
VGG19	549 MB	0.713	0.900	143,667,240	26
ResNet50	99 MB	0.749	0.921	25,636,712	168
InceptionV3	92 MB	0.779	0.937	23,851,784	159
InceptionResNetV2	215 MB	0.803	0.953	55,873,736	572
MobileNet	16 MB	0.704	0.895	4,253,864	88
MobileNetV2	14 MB	0.713	0.901	3,538,984	88
DenseNet121	33 MB	0.750	0.923	8,062,504	121
DenseNet169	57 MB	0.762	0.932	14,307,880	169
DenseNet201	80 MB	0.773	0.936	20,242,984	201
NASNetMobile	23 MB	0.744	0.919	5,326,716	-
NASNetLarge	343 MB	0.825	0.960	88,949,818	-

The top-1 and top-5 accuracy refers to the model's performance on the ImageNet validation dataset.

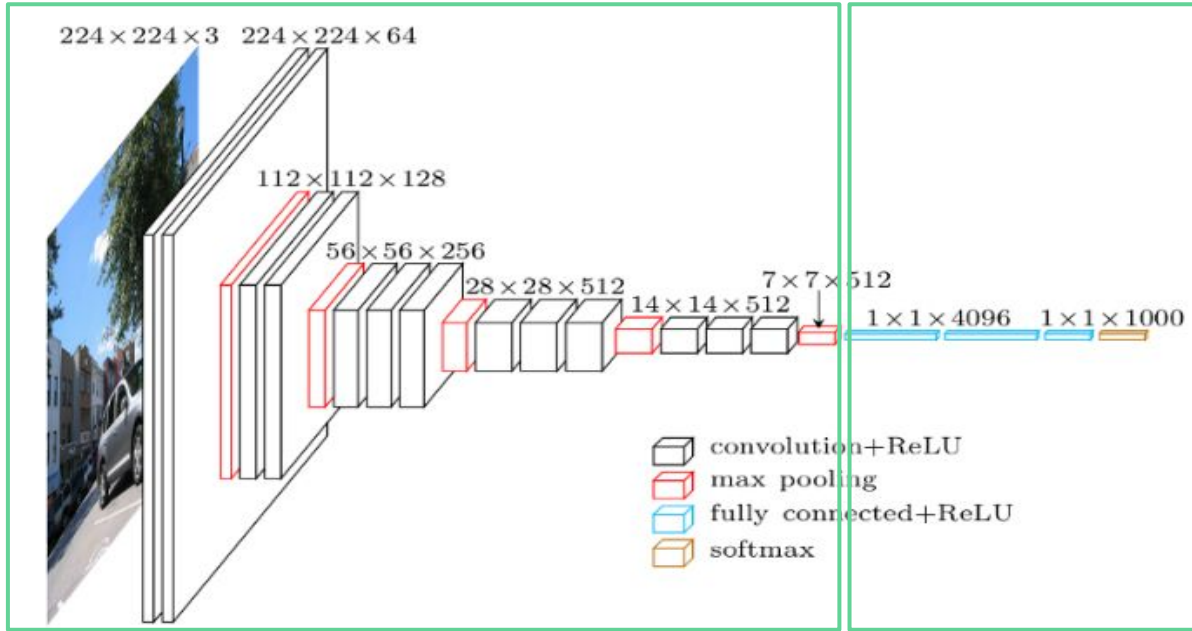
# Transfer Learning



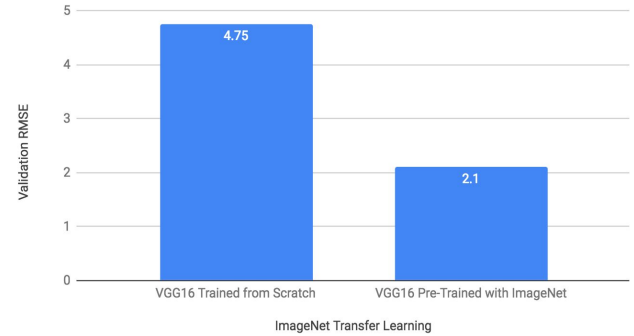
## Feature Extraction vs. Fine Tuning



# VGG 16 Transfer Learning Results



Validation RMSE vs. ImageNet Transfer Learning



← OLD BODY →

← OLD FC HEAD →



# Ensembling

Model 1	6 conv layer (8-32-64-96-128-256) + 3 dense layer (96-96-32)
Model 2	6 conv layer (8-64-96-128-256-324) + 3 dense layer (256-96-64)
Model 3	6 conv layer (28-64-64-64-128-128) + 3 dense layer (256-96-64)
Model 4	Transfer learning

## Jensen's Inequality

The convex combined ensemble will have error less than or equal to the average of all models.

Kaggle Submissions	Private Score	Public Score
Model 1 (Best)	1.91591	2.19943
Model 2	2.11234	2.39057
Model 3	2.13715	2.39698
Model 4 - Transfer Learning	2.10209	2.3543
Ensemble 1+2	1.87646	2.17739
Ensemble 1+2+3	1.87597	2.1763
Ensemble 1+2+3+4	1.82864	2.13138

# Results - Experiments Recap

## Data Pre-Processing

### Data Augmentation:

- Mirroring
- Histogram Equalization
- Rotation
- Contrast Reduction

### Missing Data Schemes

- Drop Data
- Augment Data with Image Processing
- 2 Models



## CNN Architectures

### Popular Architectures

### Hyper Parameter Tuning

- Conv, Dense Layers
- Dropout Rates
- Activation Functions

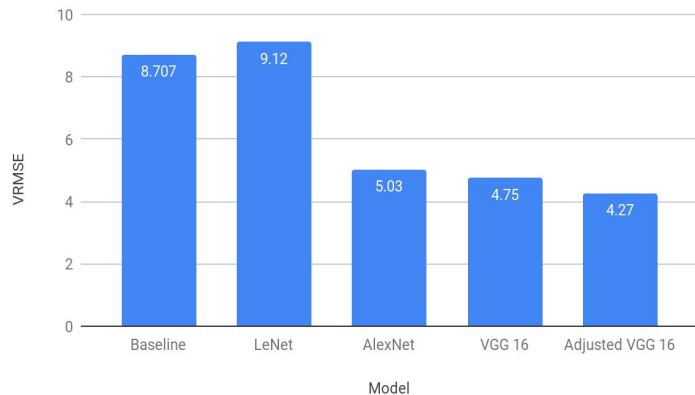
### Transfer Learning

- VGG16
- Xception

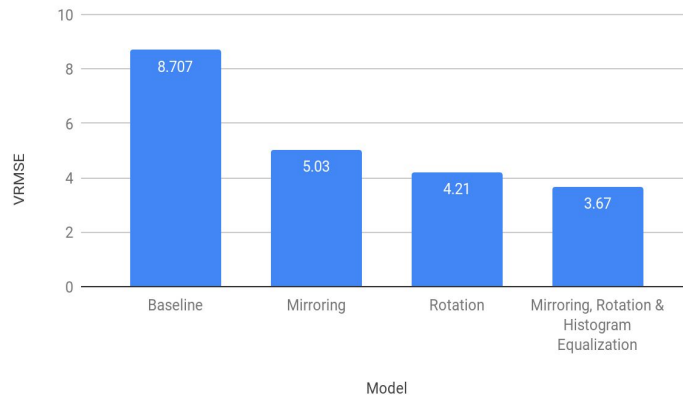
### Ensemble Methods

# Results - Popular Architectures & Augmentation

Baseline vs. Popular Architectures



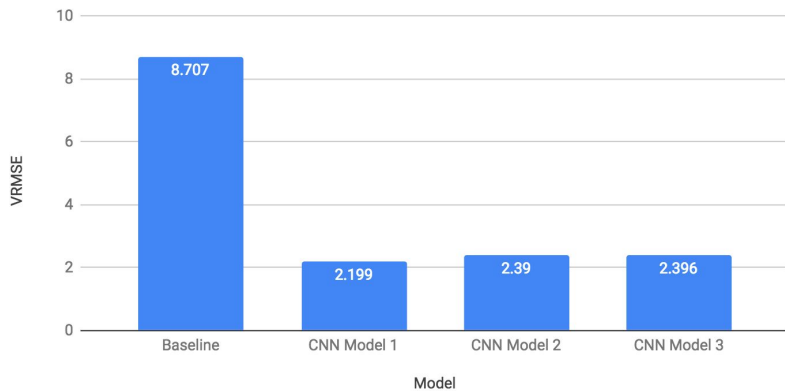
Baseline vs. Augmented Schemes



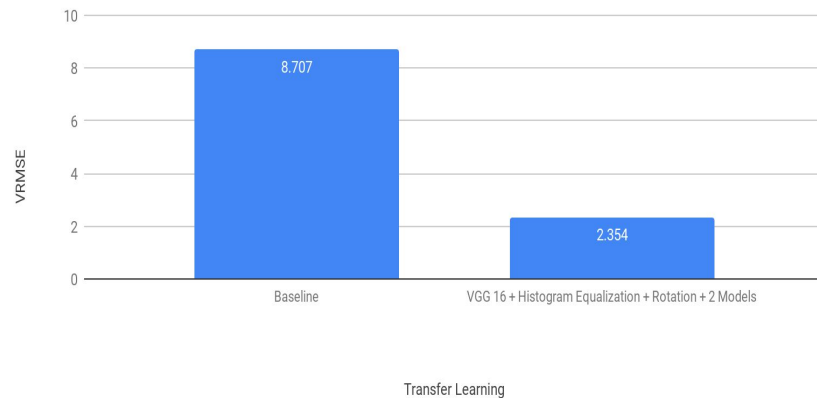
- VGG & Adjusted VGG worked very well
- Rotation & Histogram Equalization

# Results - Random Search & Transfer Learning

Baseline vs. Random Search- Top 3 CNN Architectures



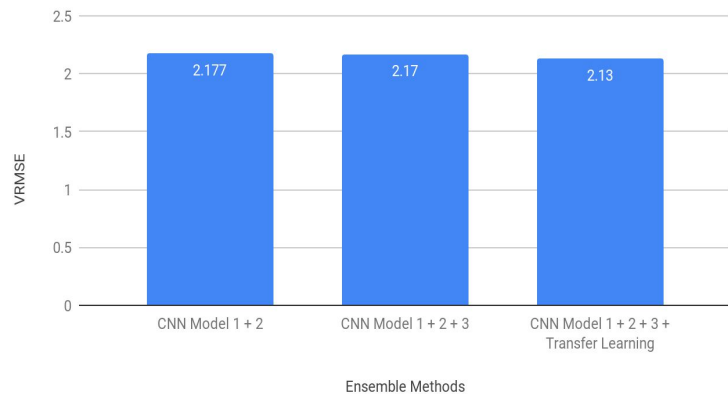
Baseline vs. Transfer Learning



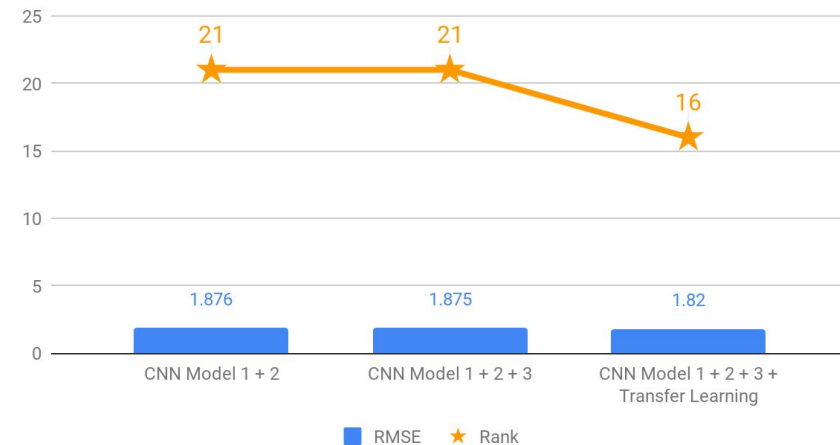
- Random Search:
  - CNN Model 1: 6 conv layer (8-32-64-96-128-256) + 3 dense layer (96-96-32)
  - CNN Model 2: 6 conv layer (8-64-96-128-256-324) + 3 dense layer (256-96-64)
  - CNN Model 3: 6 conv layer (28-64-64-64-128-128) + 3 dense layer (256-96-64)
- Transfer Learning:
  - VGG 16 + HE + Rotation + 2 Models

# Results - Ensemble Methods

Ensemble Methods - Top 3 Models: Kaggle Public RMSE



Kaggle Rank & Private RMSE



**Final Placement: 16 out of 175 - We beat previous teams!**

# Future Enhancements

## Data Pre-Processing

### Data Augmentation:

- Mirroring
- Histogram Equalization
- Rotation
- Contrast Reduction

### Missing Data Schemes

- Drop Data
- Augment Data with Image Processing
- 2 Models

### Enhancements:

- Keras Preprocessing

## CNN Architectures

### Popular Architectures

### Hyper Parameter Tuning

- Conv, Dense Layers
- Dropout Rates
- Activation Functions

### Transfer Learning

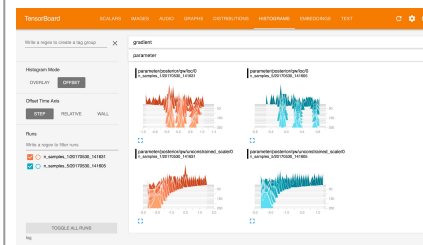
- VGG16
- Xception

### Ensemble Methods

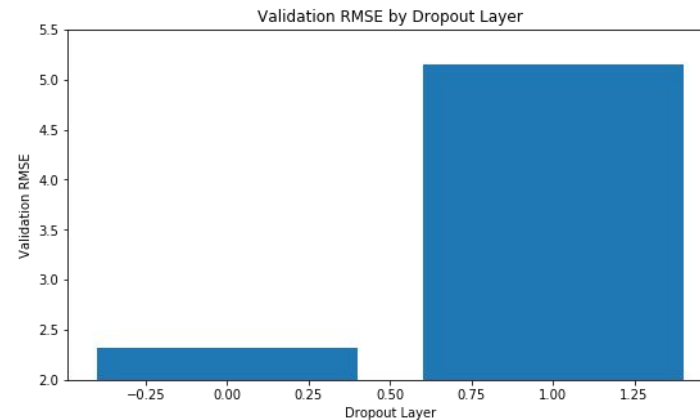
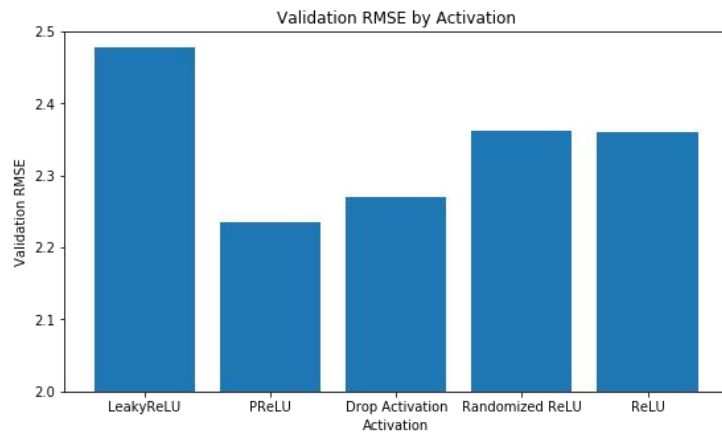
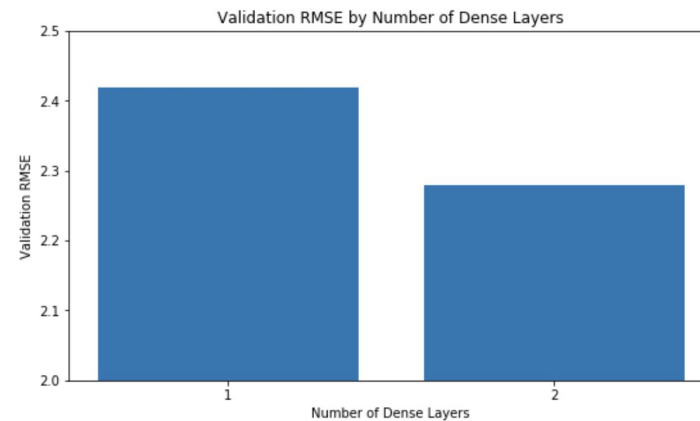
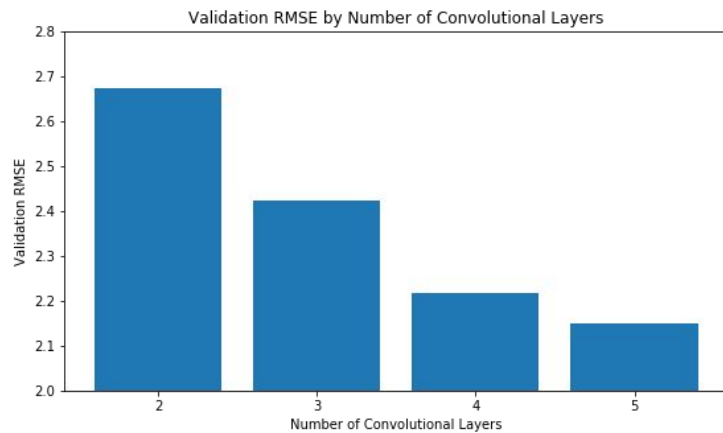
### Enhancements:

- Ensemble Methods
- Advanced Tuning (Random, Optimizers)

## Other Enhancements

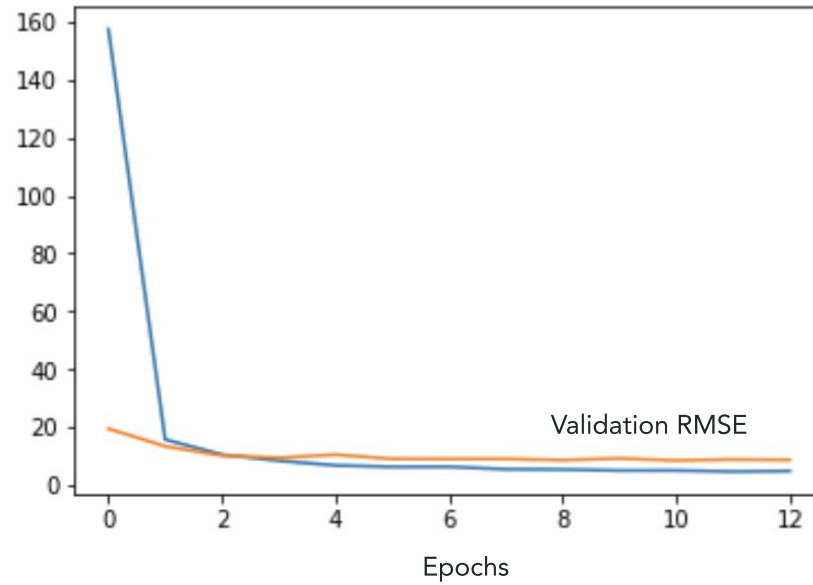


# Appendix

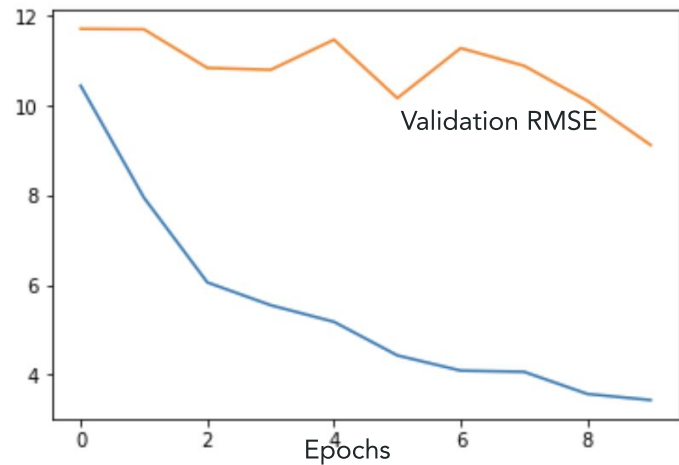




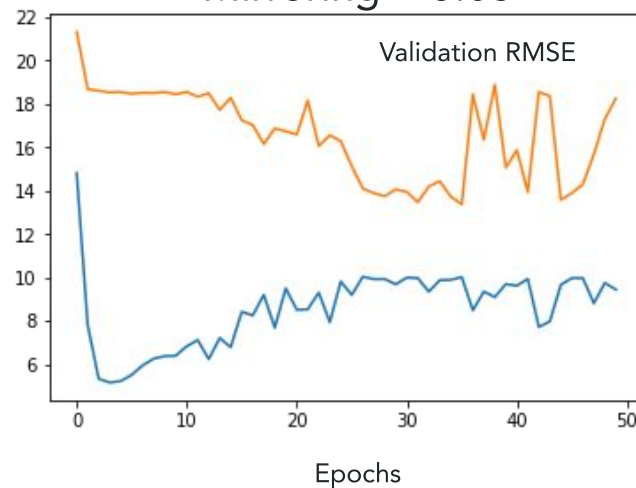
## Baseline Model - 8.707



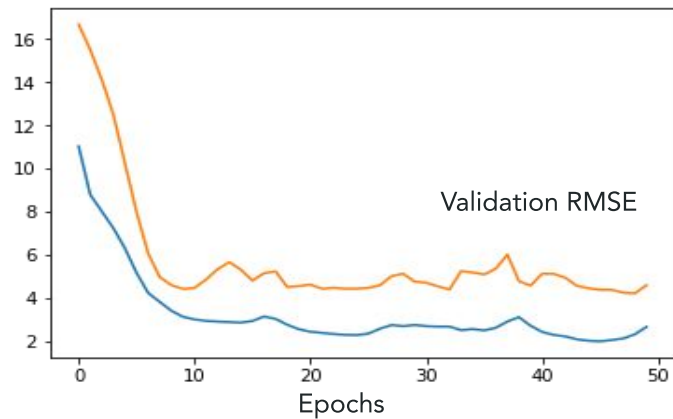
Simple CNN - 4.03



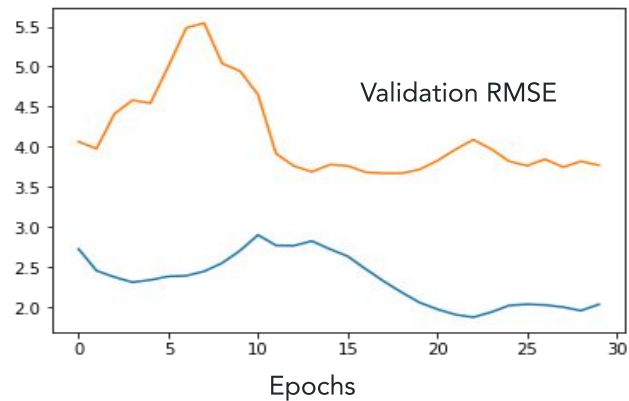
Mirroring - 5.03



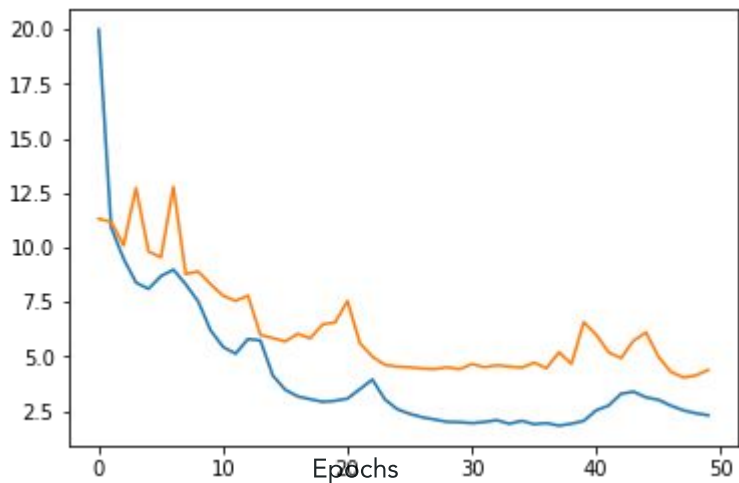
Rotation - 4.21



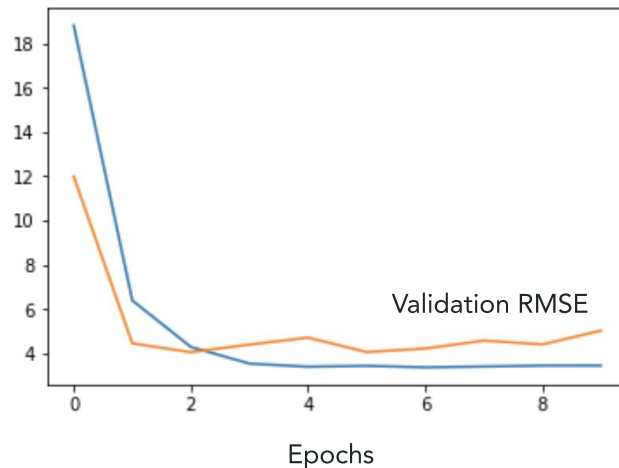
All Transformations - 3.67



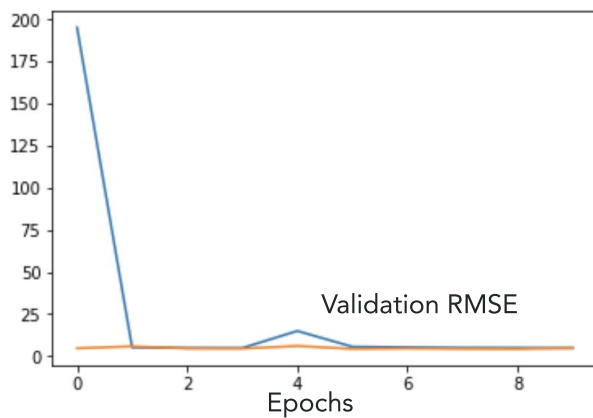
LeNet - 9.12



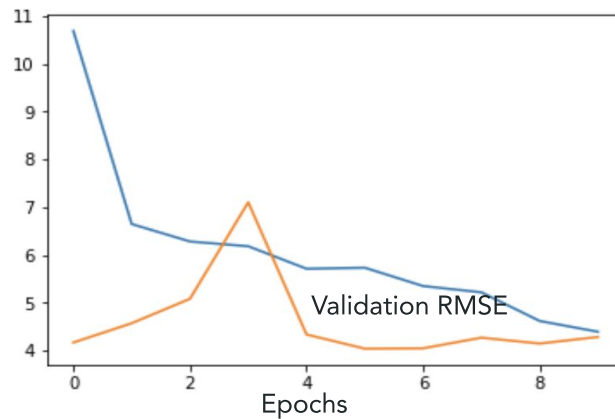
AlexNet - 5.03



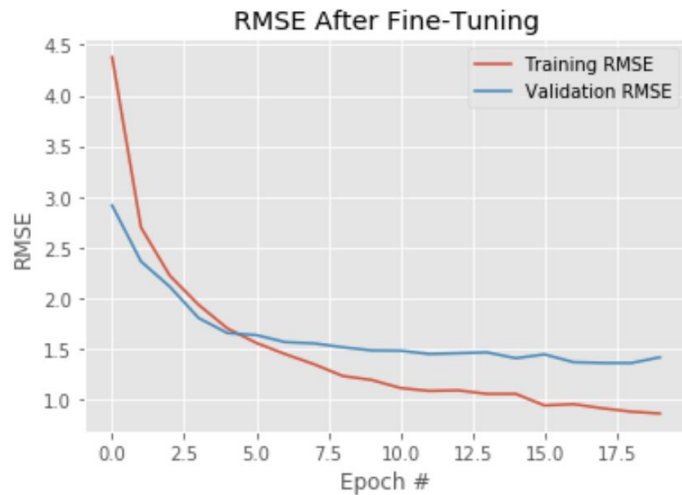
VGG 16 - 4.75



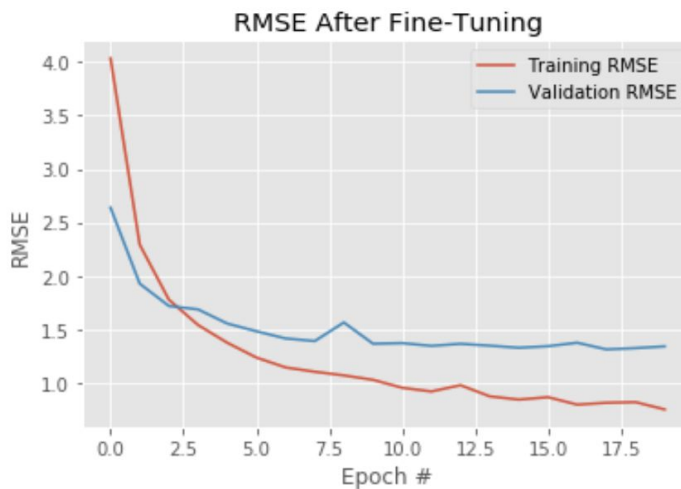
Adjusted VGG 16 - 4.27



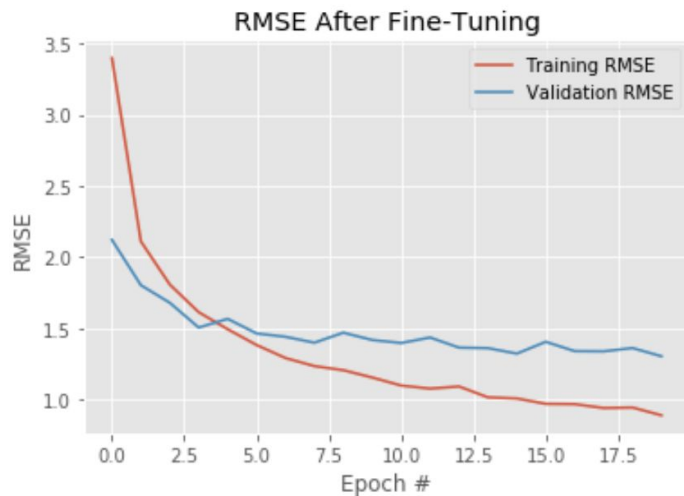
## VGG 16 - 1.436



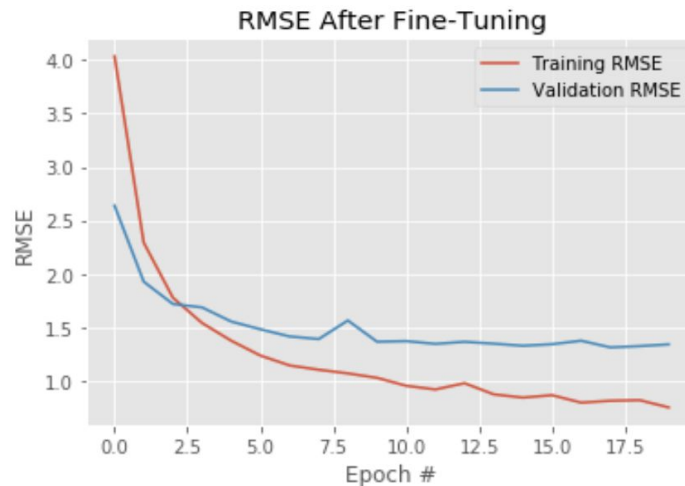
## VGG 16 with Histogram Equalization - 1.36



VGG 16 with Histogram Equalization  
and 10 degree rotation - 1.33



VGG 16 with Histogram Equalization,  
10 degree rotation and 2 models for  
missing data - 1.358



Xception with Histogram Equalization, 10 degree rotation and 2 models for missing data - 1.335

