



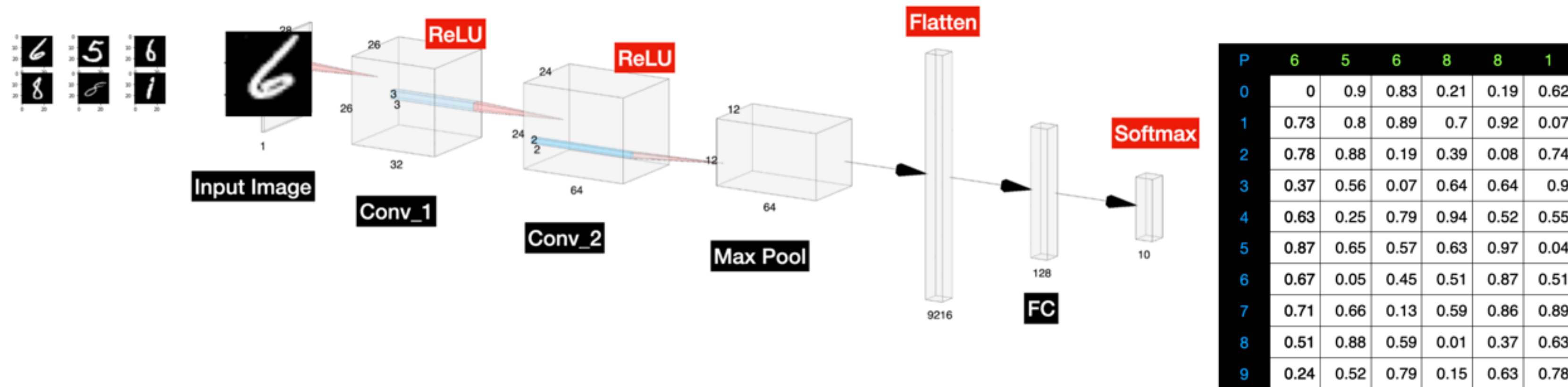
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Loss Functions

Loss Functions are essential to training

Quantifying Loss



- How bad are the probabilities we predicted?
- How do we quantify the degree our prediction is off by?

Cross Entropy Loss or Categorical Cross Entropy Loss

Class	Predicted Probabilities	Ground Truth
0	0.1	0
1	0.2	0
2	0.1	0
3	0.05	0
4	0.05	0
5	0.05	0
6	0.05	0
7	0.3	1
8	0.05	0
9	0.05	0

- Cross Entropy Loss uses two distributions, our ground truth distribution $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ our predicted distribution.
- $L = - y \cdot \log(\hat{y})$
- Where y is the ground truth vector, \hat{y} is the predicted distribution and ' . ' is the inner product.

Cross Entropy Loss a Simpler Example

Class	Predicted Probabilities	Ground Truth
0	0.3	0
1	0.6	1
2	0.1	0

- $L = -y \cdot \log(\hat{y})$
- $L = -(0 \times \log(0.3) + 1 \times \log(0.6) + 0 \times \log(0.1))$
- $L = -(0 + 1 \times -0.222 + 0) = 0.222$
- **NOTE:**
 - Multi-class log loss rewards/penalises the correct classes only

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L_i$$

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Other Loss Functions

- Loss Functions are sometimes called **Cost Functions**
- For Binary Classification problems we use **Binary Cross-Entropy Loss** (same as categorical cross-entropy loss except it uses just one output node)
- For Regressions we often use the **Mean Square Error (MSE)**
 - Mean Square Error (MSE) = (Target - Predicted)²

$$• \text{MSE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$$

- Other loss functions that are sometimes used:
 - L1, L2
 - Hinge Loss
 - Mean Absolute Error (MAE)

What do we do with our Quantified Loss?

- Updating all the weights of our model is not trivial
- How do we correctly update our weights to minimise loss?
- We use **Back Propagation**
- And we use the loss value for this!



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