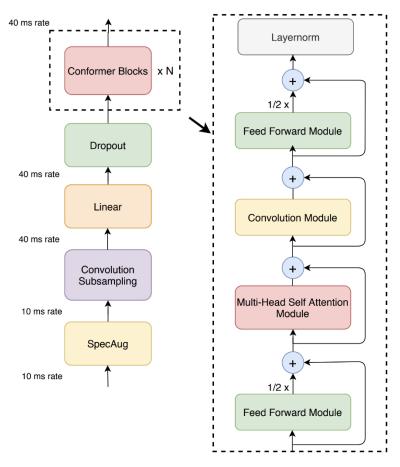
## 1. Make a brief introduction about a variant of Transformer.

## Conformer:

Conformer 是利用卷積層,在原始 transformer 上加強提取特徵的能力,常用在語音辨識中,像這次作業。還可以利用 attention 來增強卷積層的效果。模型架構如下:



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## 2. Briefly explain why adding convolutional layers to Transformer can boost performance.

傳統 transformer 較擅長提取長序列的特徵,但較不易提取細部或是局部特徵,而這方面又是 CNN 擅長的,故將兩者結合起來,同時擁有兩者優勢。