

# **IBM Advanced Data Science Capstone Project**

**Garbage Classifier**

**Video Presentation**

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# **Waste management**

## **Status quo**

- About 90% of global waste end up in landfills or in the oceans
- Not sustainable
- Pollution is growing exponentially
- Excessive use of raw materials

**Recycling is a possible solution**

# Recycling

## Current problems

- Trash usually comes all mixed
- Recycling works best if each material is separated from the others
- The separation process can be slow and require a lot of manpower
- Current machines can mostly separate only metals

# Software solution

## The idea

- Fast identification of different materials
- With fine-tuning it can reach really high accuracy
- Easy implementation with already existing hardware
- Almost no maintenance required
- Easily scalable

# Software solution

## What is it ?

- Image classification software
- Approx 80% accuracy
- Recognition of 6 different materials

*1. Plastic*

*2. Cardboard*

*3. Paper*

*4. Metal*

*5. Glass*

*6. Trash*

# The Dataset

## What it sees

- Contains 2537 images
- RGB, 3 channels
- Original shape: 512 x 384
- Jpeg format
- 43.4 MB in size
- 6 different classes
- Hand picked and labeled

<https://www.kaggle.com/asdasdasdas/garbage-classification>



Glass



Cardboard



Plastic



Metal



Paper

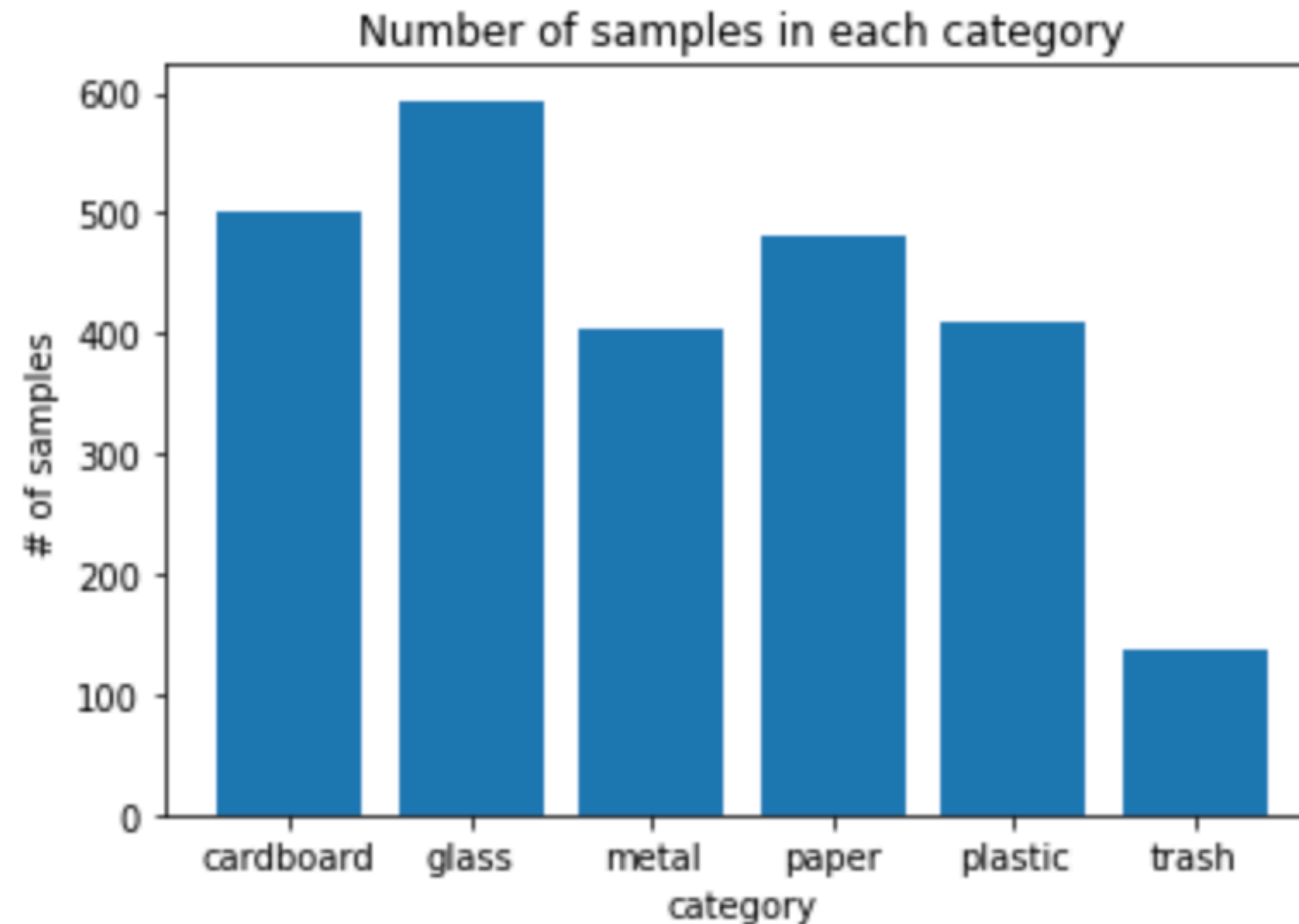


Trash



# The Dataset

## Data exploration



- The sample distribution in the dataset is not balanced

# Feature engineering

## Normalization

- Images consists of a tensor with values ranging from 0 to 255 and are restricted to be bounded between 0 and 1
- Normalization can increase the performance of the model by preventing vanishing gradient and exploding gradient problems
- Two different models are trained:
  - The first one with non normalized data
  - The second one with normalised data
  - Finally the models' performance are compared



# Feature engineering

## Data augmentation

- The dataset is relatively small and 10% of it is reserved for the validation phase
- To increase the generality of the model the training samples are augmented by means of:
  - Rotation
  - Shear
  - Flips
  - Shifts
  - Zooms

# Algorithms

## Logistic Regression

- The first model is a simple Linear Regression model
- SoftMax activation function

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
flatten_6 (Flatten)	(None, None)	0
dense_10 (Dense)	(None, 6)	2654214
Total params: 2,654,214		
Trainable params: 2,654,214		
Non-trainable params: 0		

# Algorithms

## Convolutional Neural Network

The second model is a Convolutional Neural Network:

- 4 Convolutional layers
- 3 Fully Connected layers
- ReLu and Softmax activation functions
- MaxPooling and Dropout layers for dimensionality reduction and to reduce overfitting

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 384, 384, 16)	448
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 192, 192, 16)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 192, 192, 32)	4640
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 96, 96, 32)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 96, 96, 64)	18496
max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 48, 48, 64)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 48, 48, 32)	18464
max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 24, 24, 32)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 18432)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 64)	1179712
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 32)	2080
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 32)	0
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 6)	198
Total params: 1,224,038		
Trainable params: 1,224,038		
Non-trainable params: 0		

# Training

## LR model

- Number of epochs: 20

## CNN model

- Number of epochs: 80

- The monitored metrics are : training accuracy, training loss, validation accuracy and validation loss
- Loss function is: Categorical CrossEntropy
- The model with the highest validation accuracy is saved at each epoch
- To prevent overfitting the learning rate is adjusted to  $0.2 \times lr$  after 8 epochs without validation accuracy improvement

# Evaluation

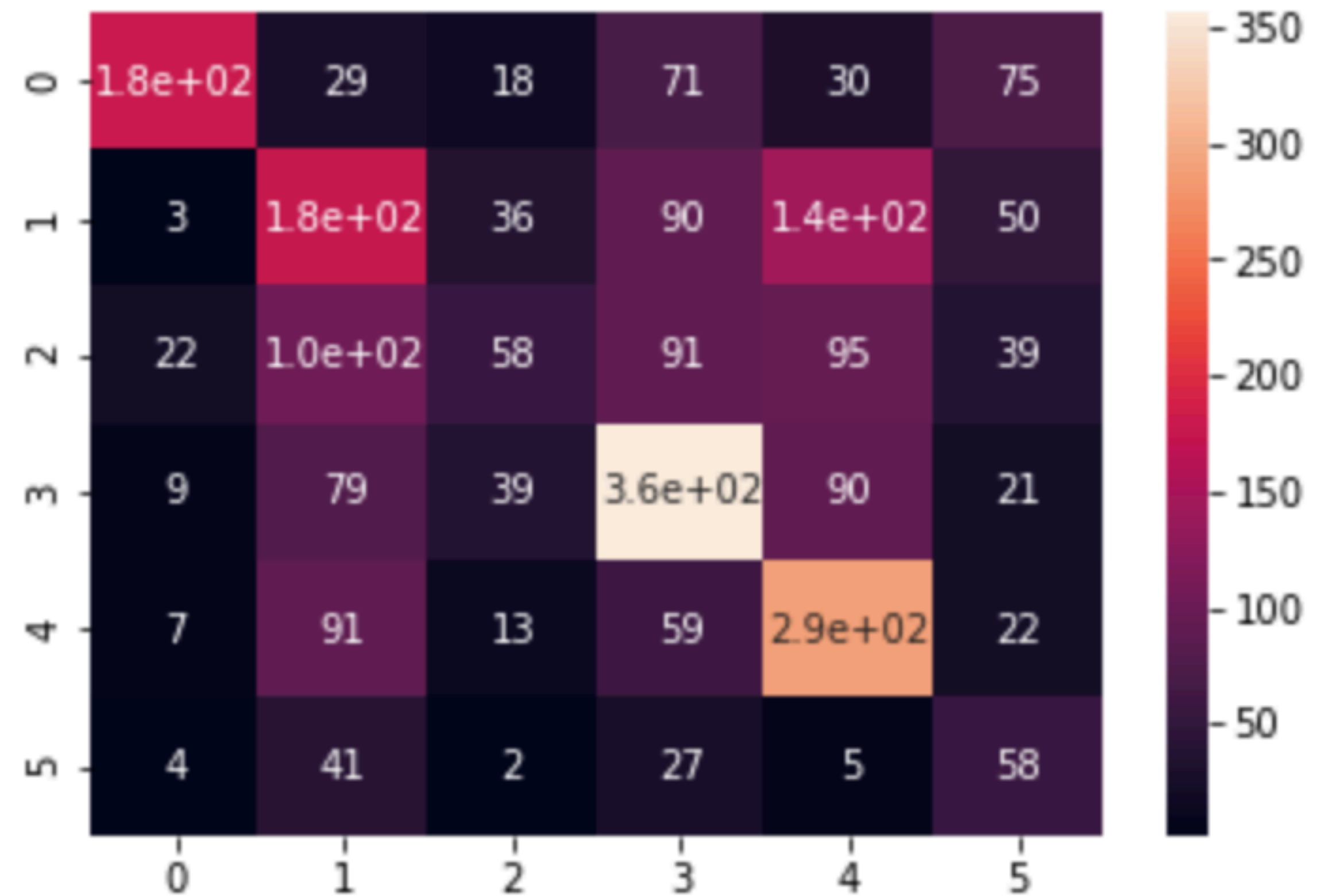
## Performance indicators

- **Accuracy:**
  - Accuracy represents the percentage of correct predictions made on the test set
- **Confusion Matrix**
  - Visual representation of the performance on each class
- **F1 Score**
  - Weighted average between accuracy and sensitivity

# Evaluation

## LR Results

- The Linear Regression model performed well, considered its size and complexity
- Accuracy : > 35%
- F1 Score : 0.22



# Evaluation

## CNN Results

- As expected the CNN without normalization performs much better than the LR model
- Accuracy : 71%
- F1 Score: 0.83

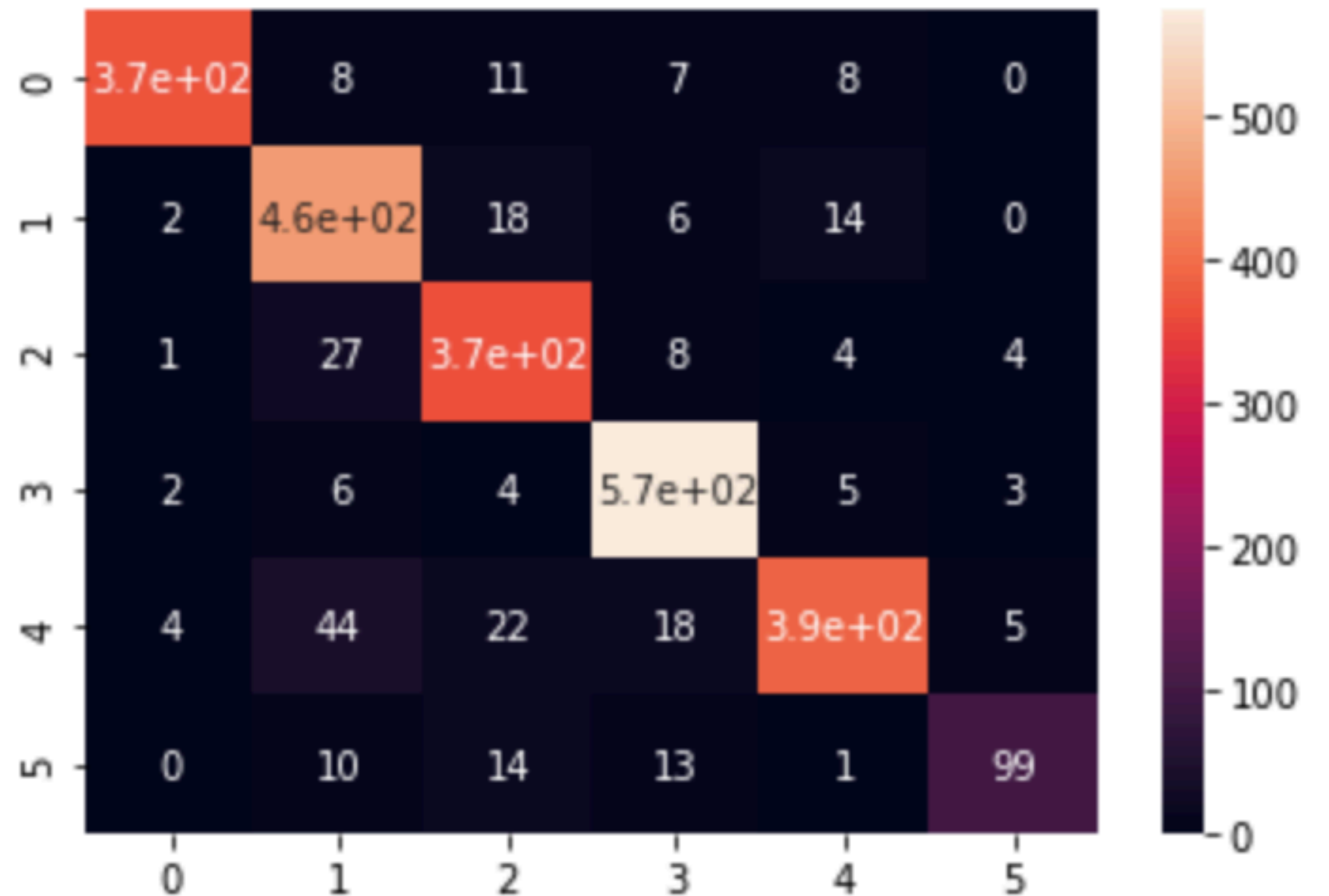




# Evaluation

## Normalized CNN Results

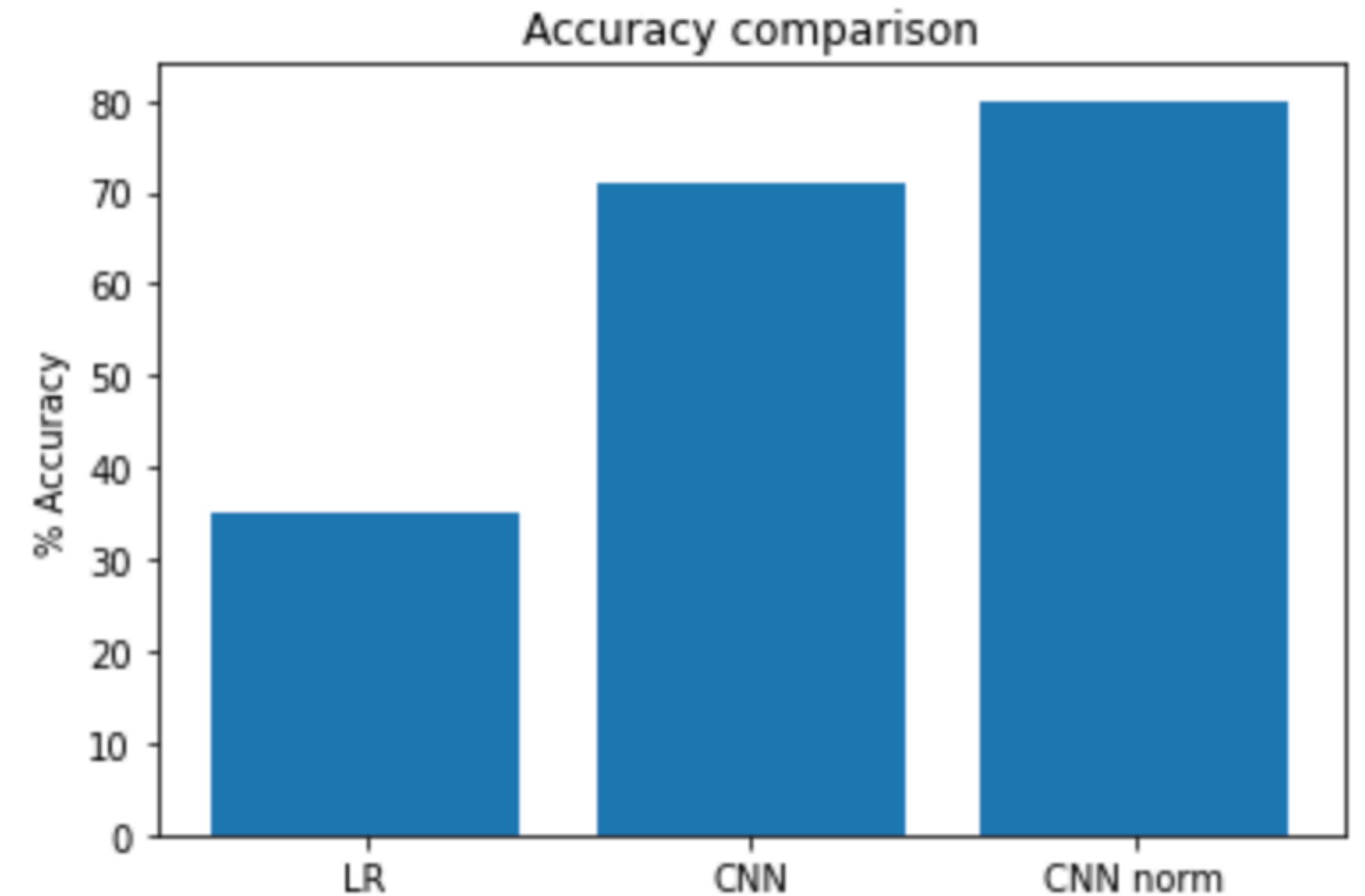
- The CNN with normalization perform best with highest score in each monitored metric
- Accuracy : 80%
- F1 Score: 0.89



# Results

## Accuracy comparison

- The accuracy of the CNN with normalized data is 80%
- It shows a 12% increase with respect to the CNN without normalization
- And a 128% increase with respect to the Logistic Regression model



# Results

## F1 Score comparison

- The F1 Score of the CNN with normalized data is 0.89
- It shows a 7% increase with respect to the CNN without normalization
- And a 404% increase with respect to the Logistic Regression model

