Garbage Classifier

Cleaning the world...

Architectural choices

The frameworks

- Keras with TensorFlow as backend is the main framework of the project
 - Used to load, preprocess and augment the data
 - Used to build and train the model
- Scikit-learn is used in the evaluation phase
 - Used to calculate the chosen performance indicator

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



Glass



Plastic



Paper



Cardboard



Metal



Trash

https://www.kaggle.com/asdasdasdasdas/garbage-classification

ETL - Extract Transform Load

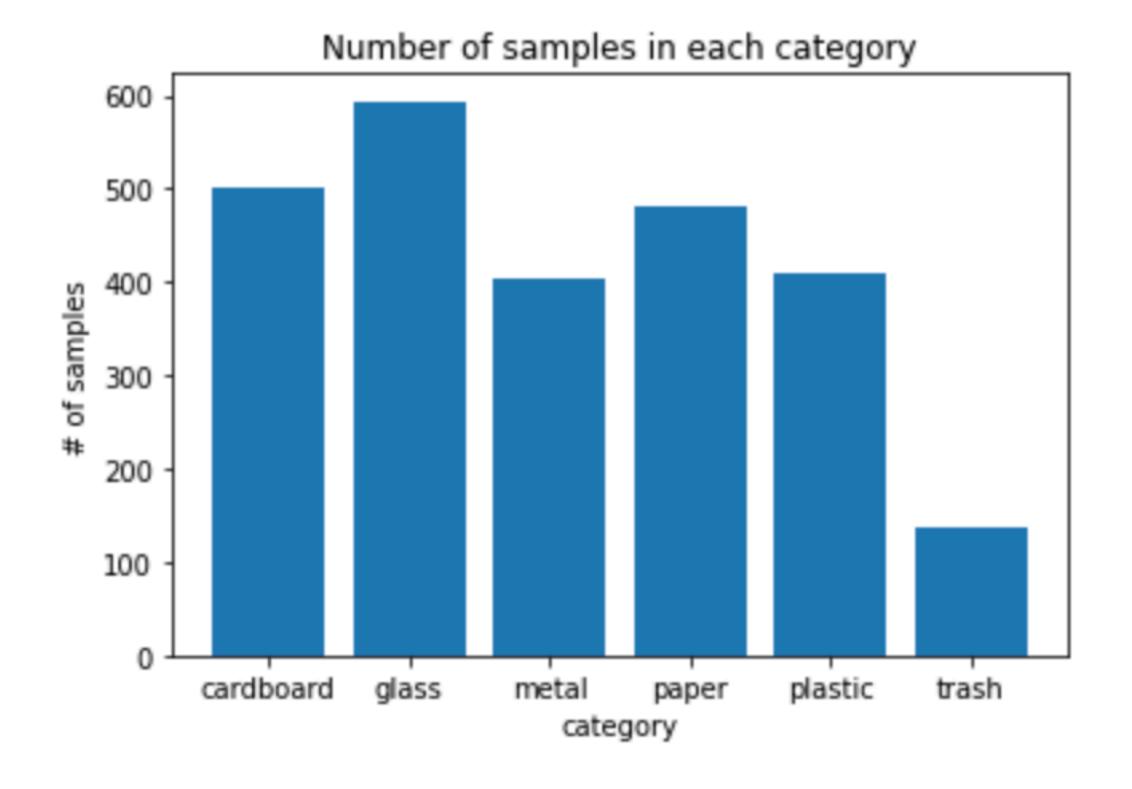
Load and explore the data

- The dataset is load into memory via Keras ImageDataGenerator object
- The classes of the samples are inferred by the dataset directory structure with the .flow_from_directory method
- The target classes are one-hot-encoded vectors
- Some samples are displayed to show the integrity of the dataset

ETL

Imbalanced dataset

- The sample distribution in the dataset is not balanced
- Weights for each class are calculated
- Weights then passed to the training function to ensure a non-biased results



Feature engineering

Data augmentation

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

Feature engineering

Normalization

- Images consists of a tensor with values ranging from 0 to 255
- 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

Algorithms

LR - Logistic Regression

- The first model is a simple linear regression model
- It contains one fully connected layer with 6 nodes
- The activation function is SoftMax
- The probability score for each class is calculated
- The predicted class is chosen using Argmax on the activations

Algorithms

CNN - Convolutional Neural Network

- The second model is a deep Convolutional Neural Network
- It consists of:
 - 4 2D Convolutional layers with MaxPooling for feature extraction
 - 3 Fully Connected layers with a 0.2 Dropout for classification
- The activation function is ReLu except for the last layer
- The last layer has a SoftMax activation function to output a probability score
- The predicted class is calculated using Argmax on last layer outputs

Training

LR model

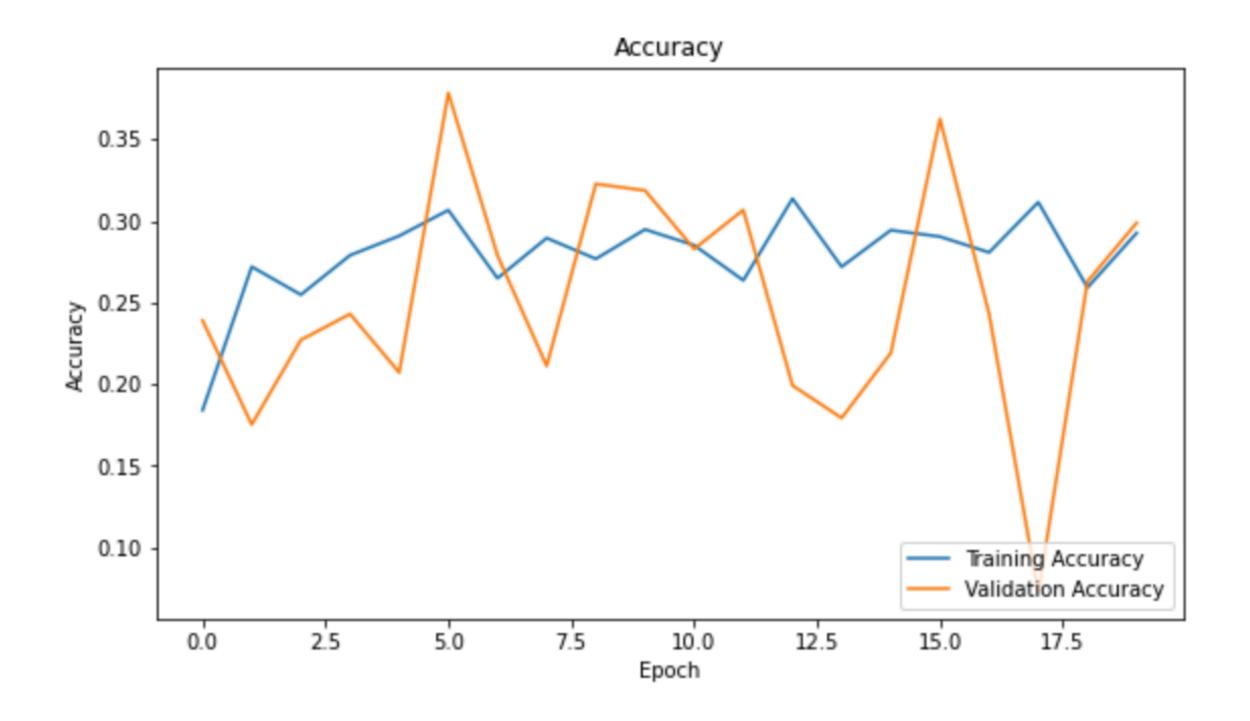
• Number of epochs: 20

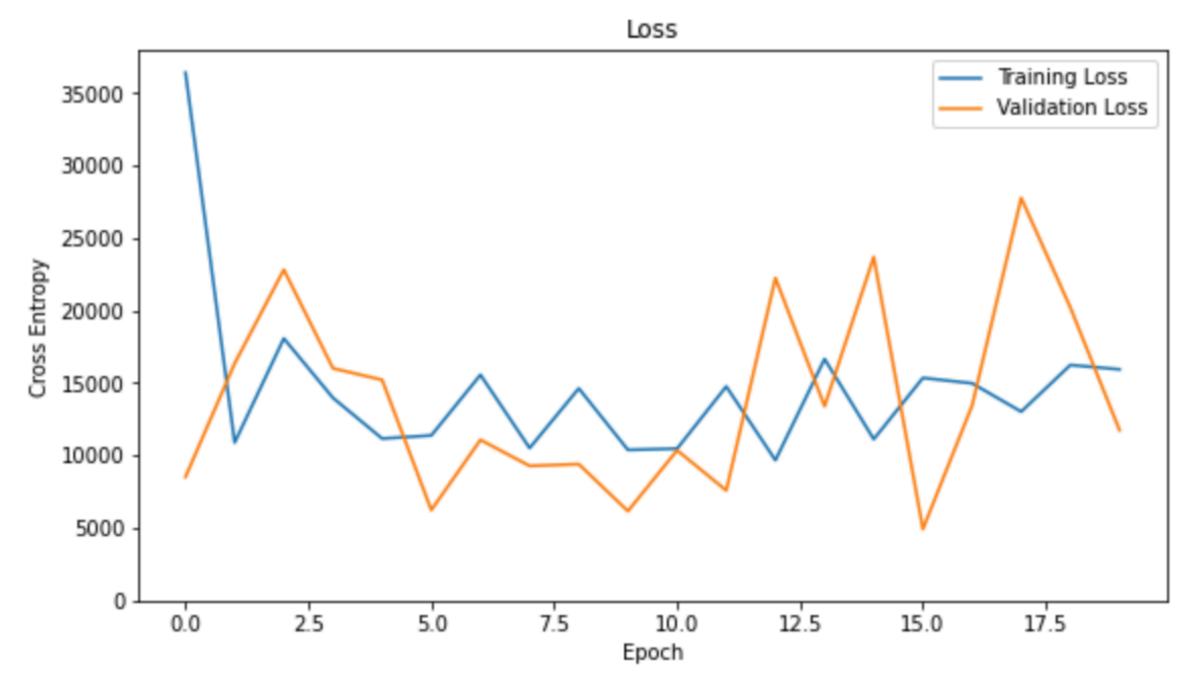
CNN model

Number of epochs: 80

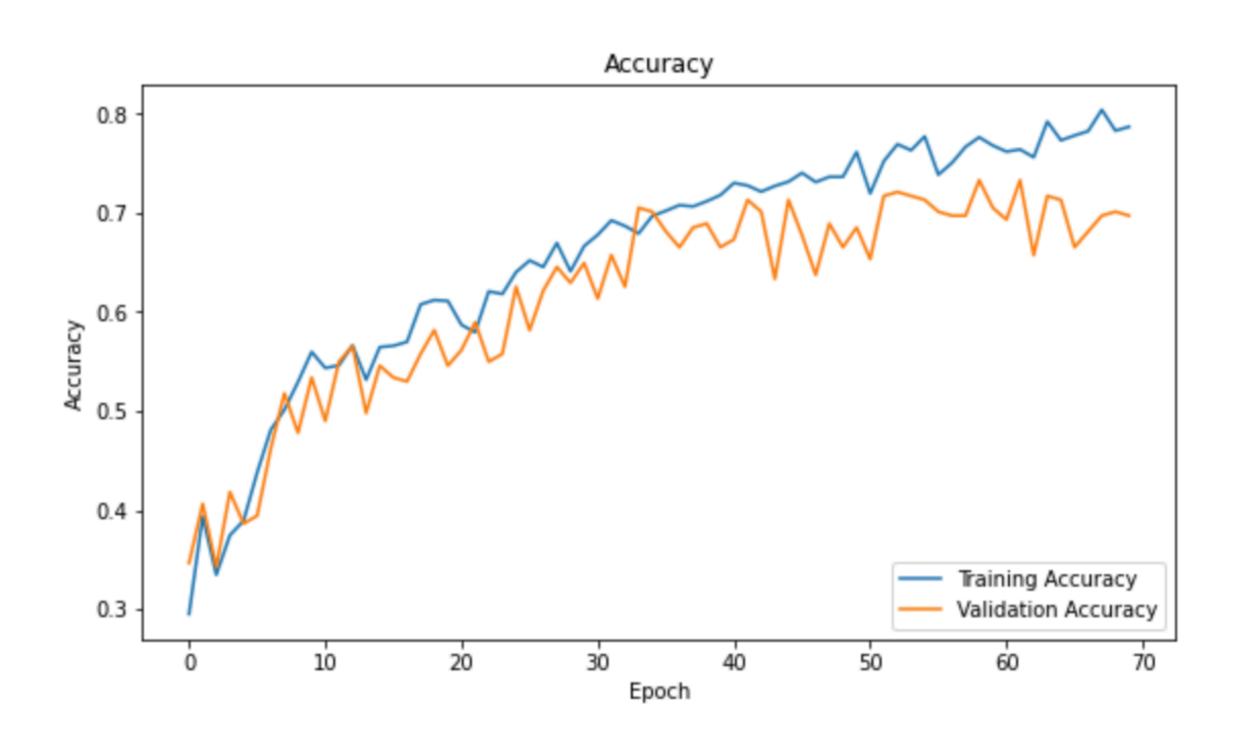
- The monitored metrics are: training accuracy, training loss, validation accuracy and validation loss
- Loss function is: Categorical CrossEntropy
- The model with the highest validation accuracy is saved at each epoch
- To prevent overfitting the learning rate is adjusted to 0.2 x lr after 8 epochs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

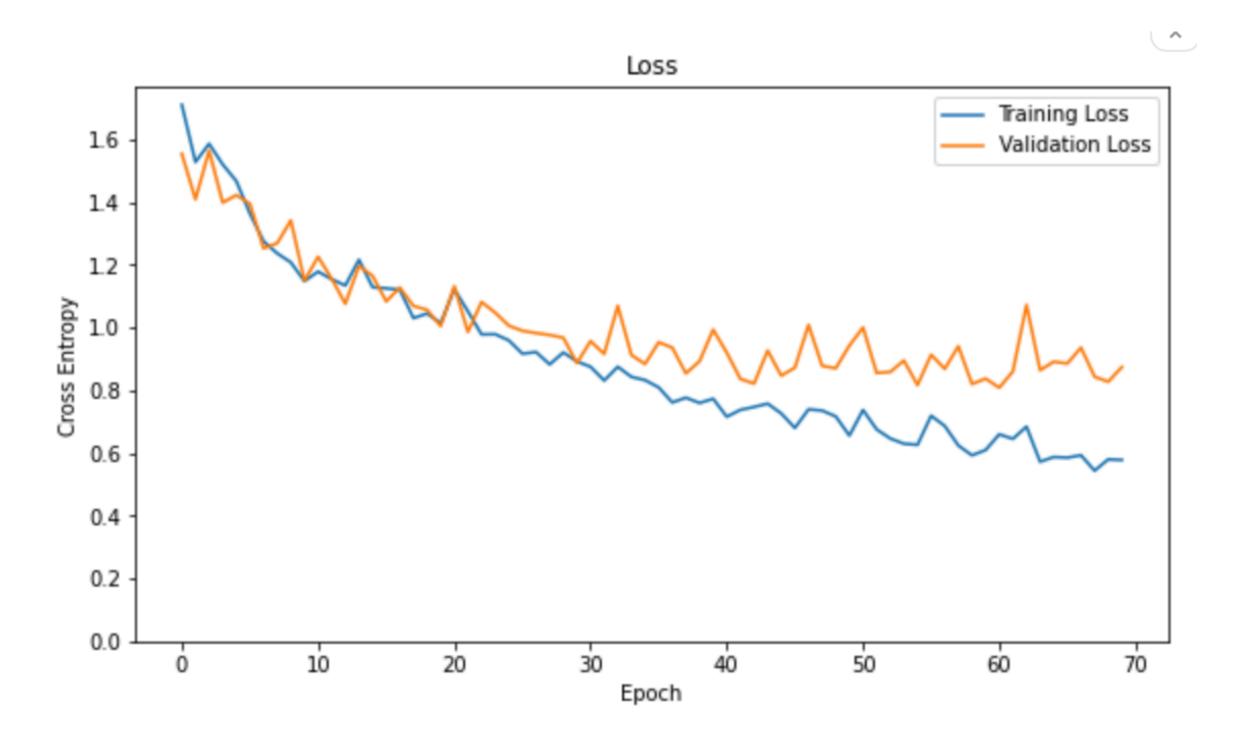
Training LR model



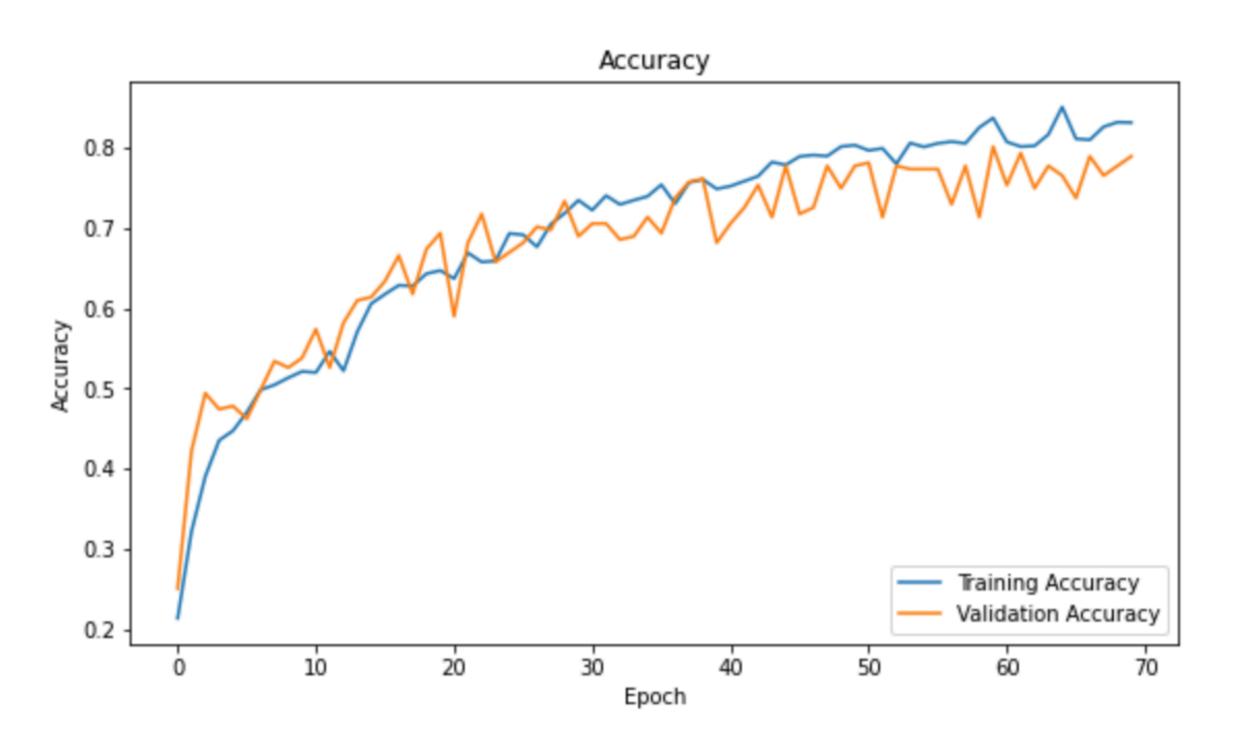


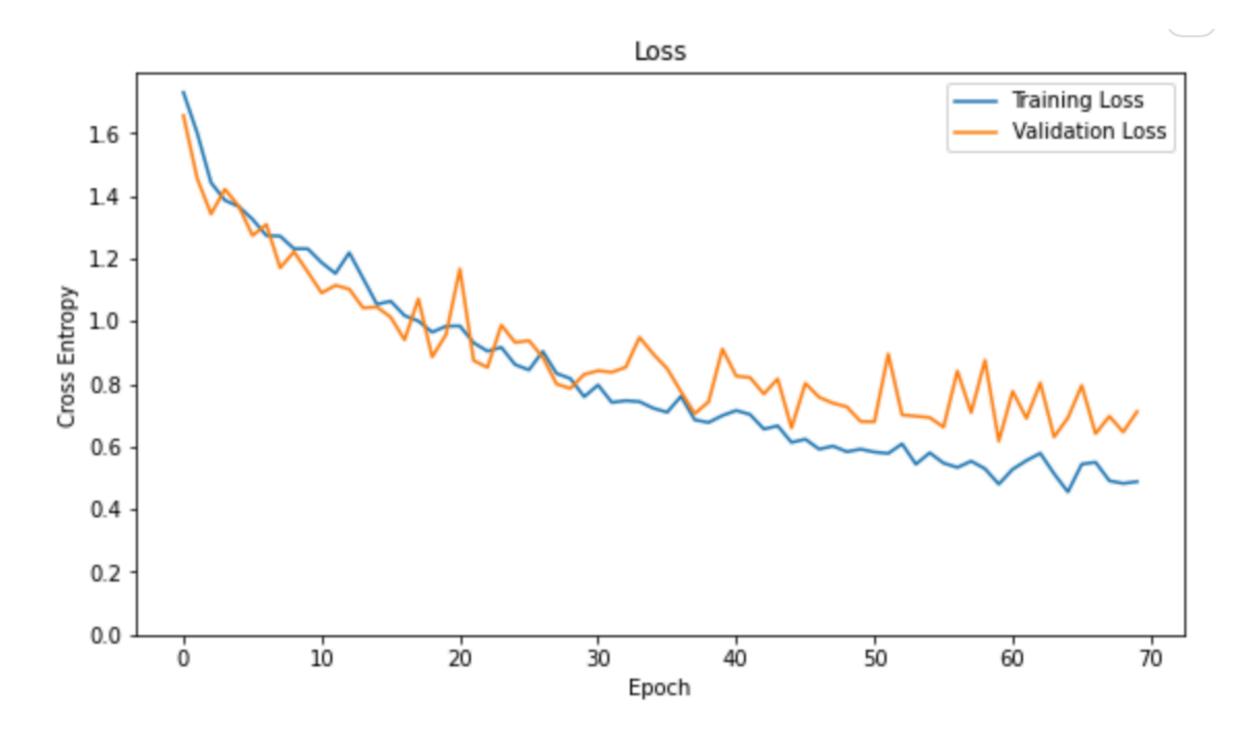
Training CNN model





Training CNN with normalized data





Evaluation

Performance indicators

Accuracy:

 Validation Accuracy represents the percentage of correct predictions made on the validation set

Confusion Matrix

Visual representation of the performance on each class

F1 Score

Weighted average between accuracy and sensitivity

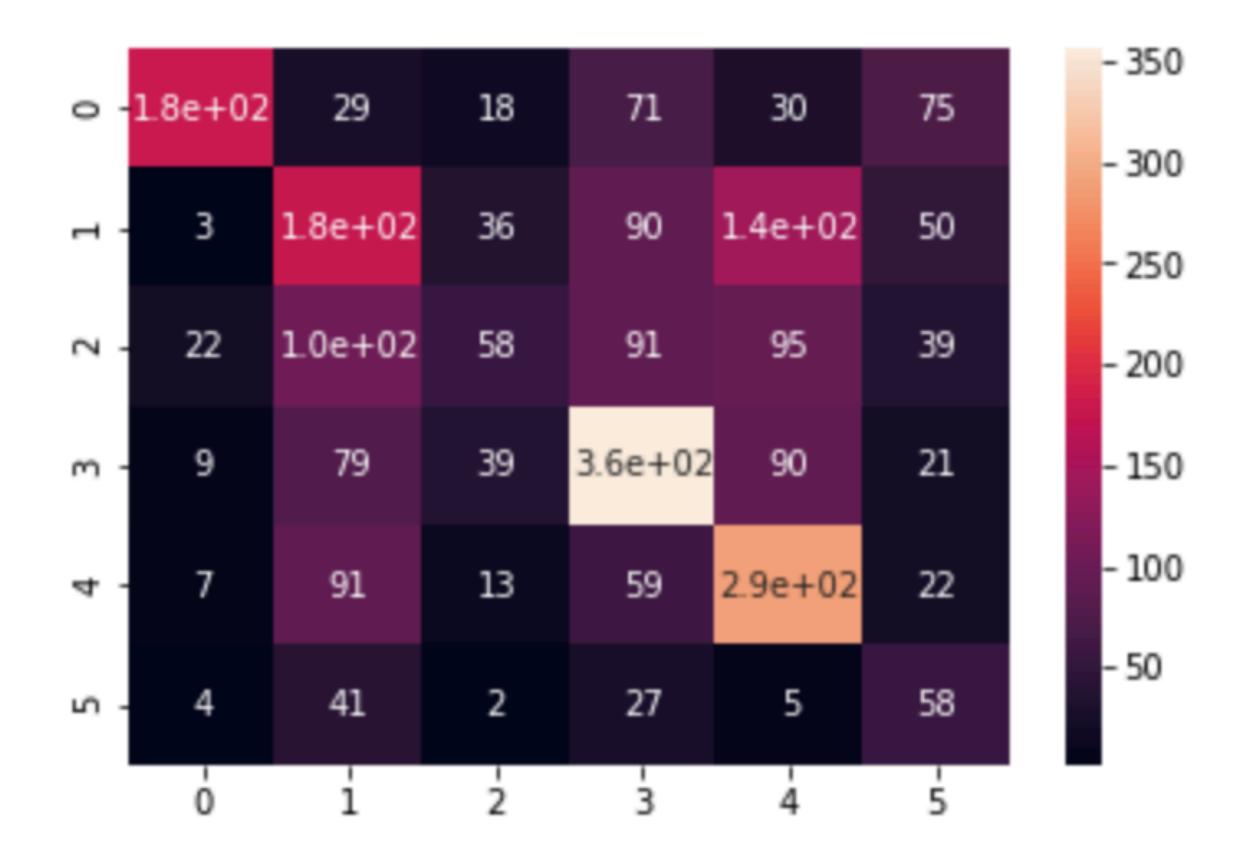
Evaluation

LR Results

 The Linear Regression model performed well, considered its size and complexity

• Accuracy: > 35%

• F1 Score: 0.22



EvaluationCNN Results

 As expected the CNN without normalization performs much better than the LR model

• Accuracy: 71%

• F1 Score: 0.83



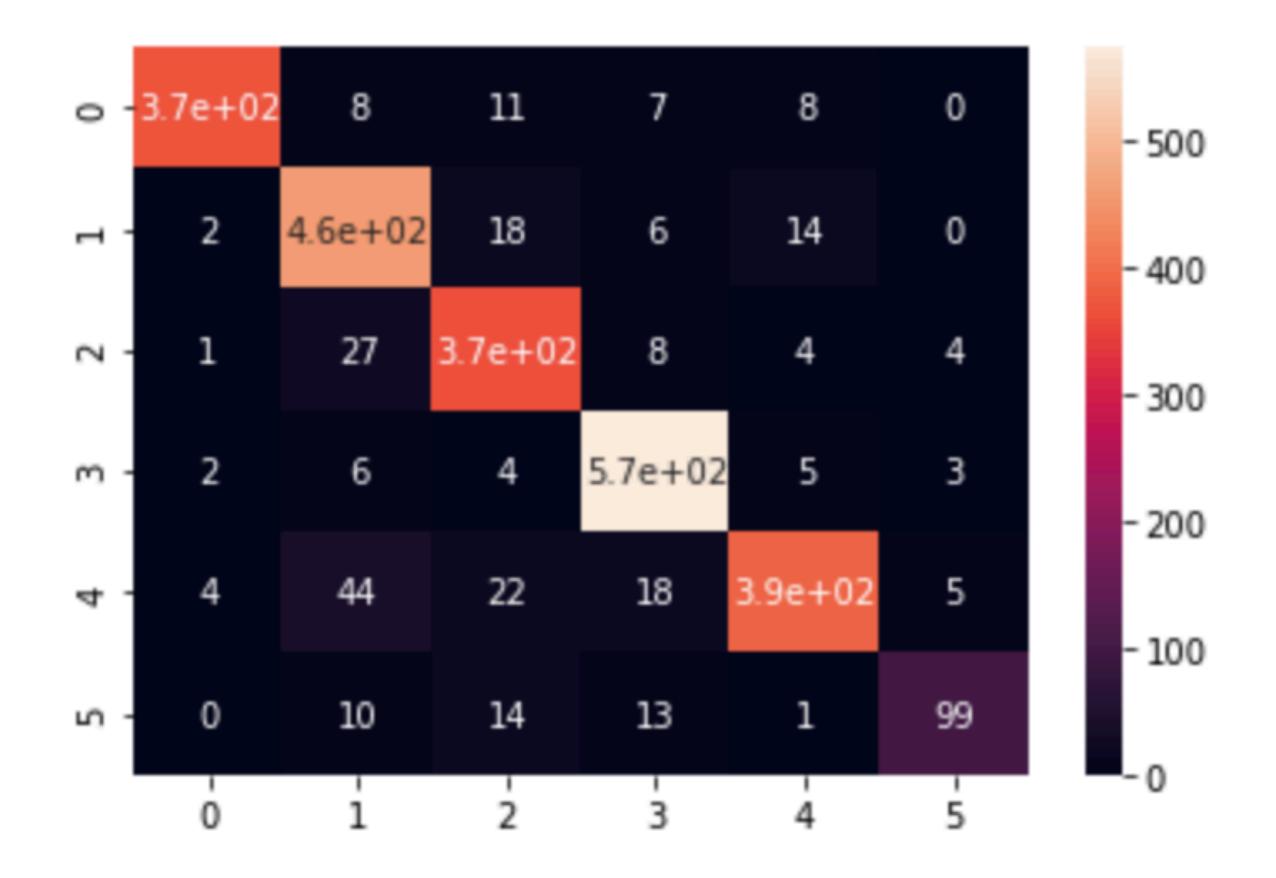
Evaluation

Normalized CNN Results

 The CNN with normalisation perform best with highest score in each monitored metric

Accuracy: 80%

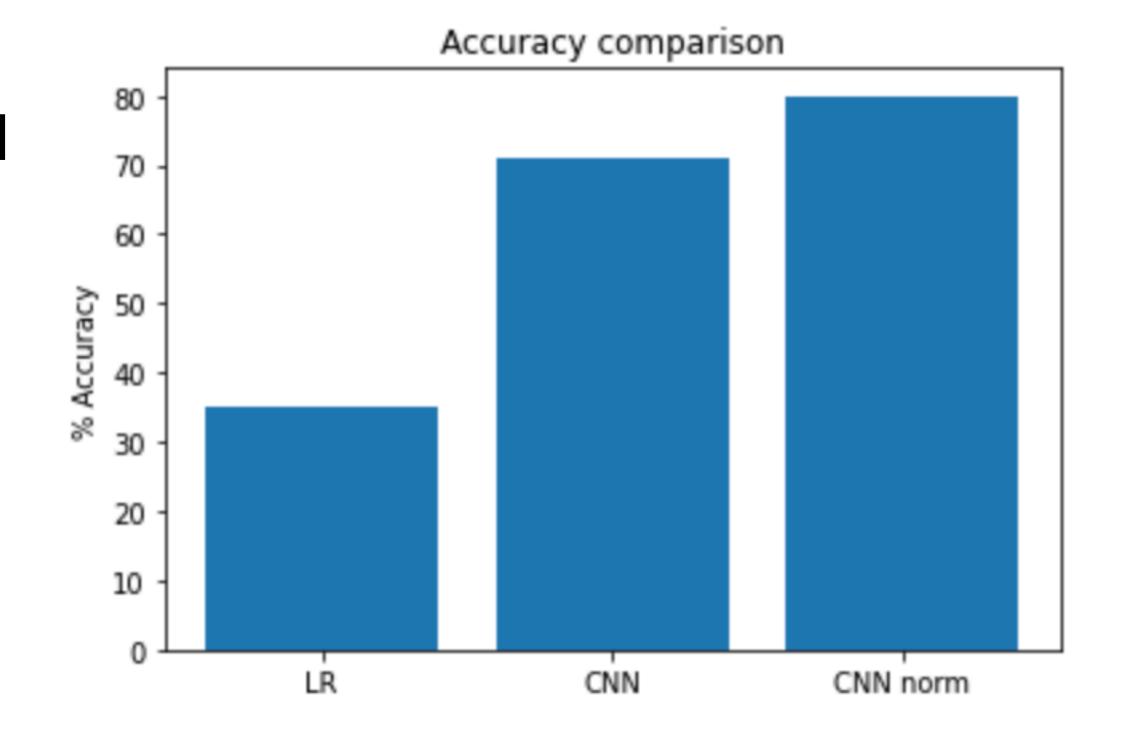
• F1 Score: 0.89



Results

Accuracy comparison

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



Results

F1 Score comparison

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

