

CHALLENGE-1

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CHALLENGE:

DETERMINE WHETHER AN IMAGE CONTAINS A COLUMNAR CACTUS

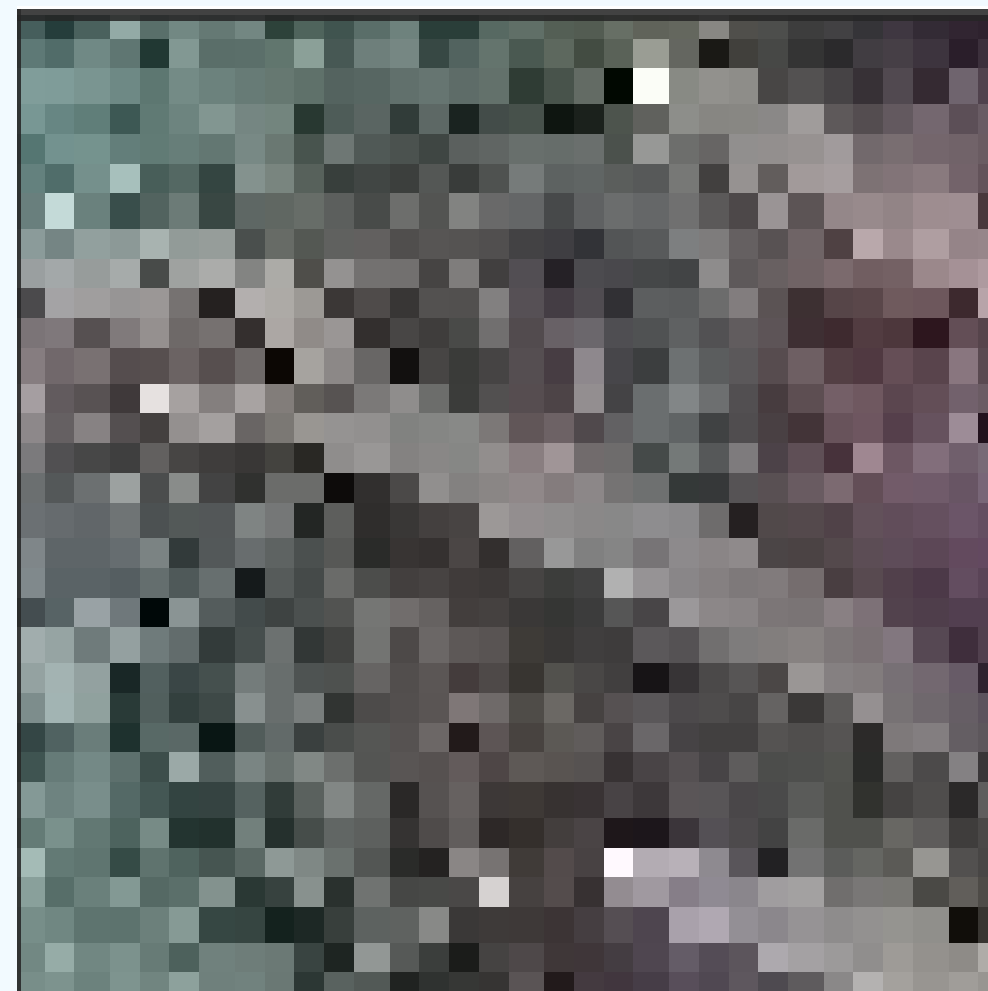
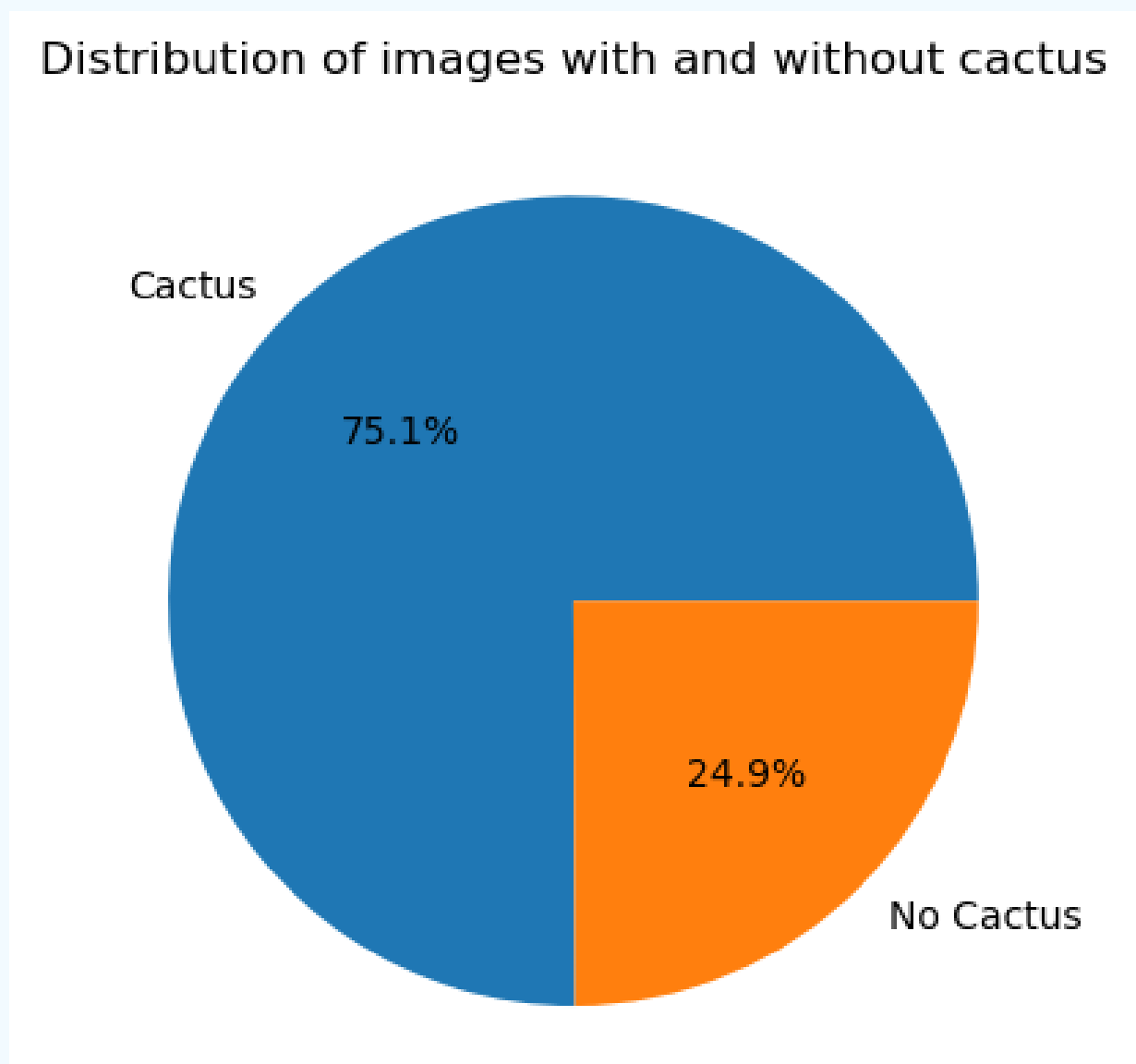
DOES AN IMAGE CONTAIN A COLUMNAR CACTUS?

HOW TO SOLVE IT?

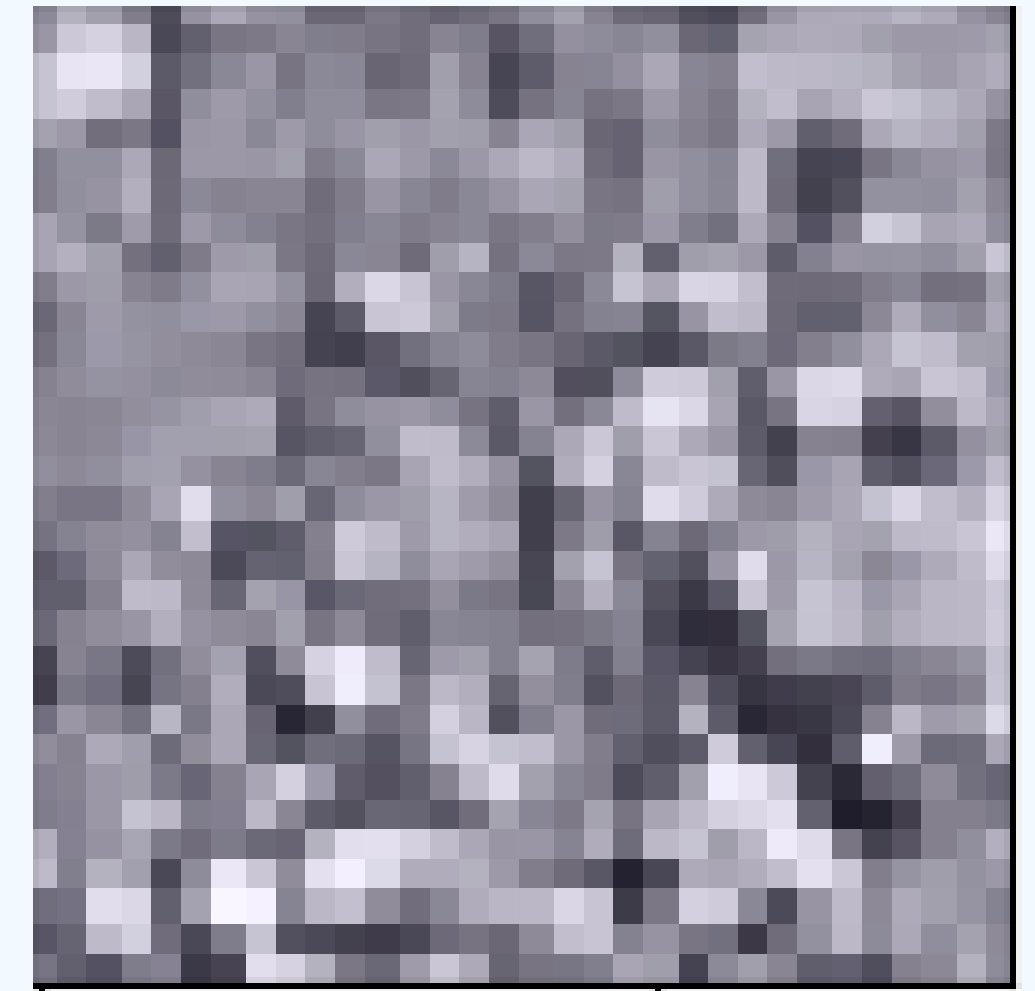
- Data Exploration
- Data Preparation
- Model Selection
- Model Performance

DATA EXPLORATION

A single-label data classification problem, with 32x32 images



A cactus



Not a cactus

DATA PREPARATION

- Applying Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization
- Gaussian Filter
- Edge Detection
 - Laplacian filter

CONTRAST LIMITED ADAPTIVE HISTOGRAM EQUALIZATION

WHAT IS IT?

Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE) is an image enhancement technique that improves the contrast and details in an image.

WHY IS IT USEFUL?

CLAHE improves the contrast of images and enhances the details and textures in an image, making the cactus features more distinguishable from the background. This can aid in better differentiating cactus images from non-cactus images.

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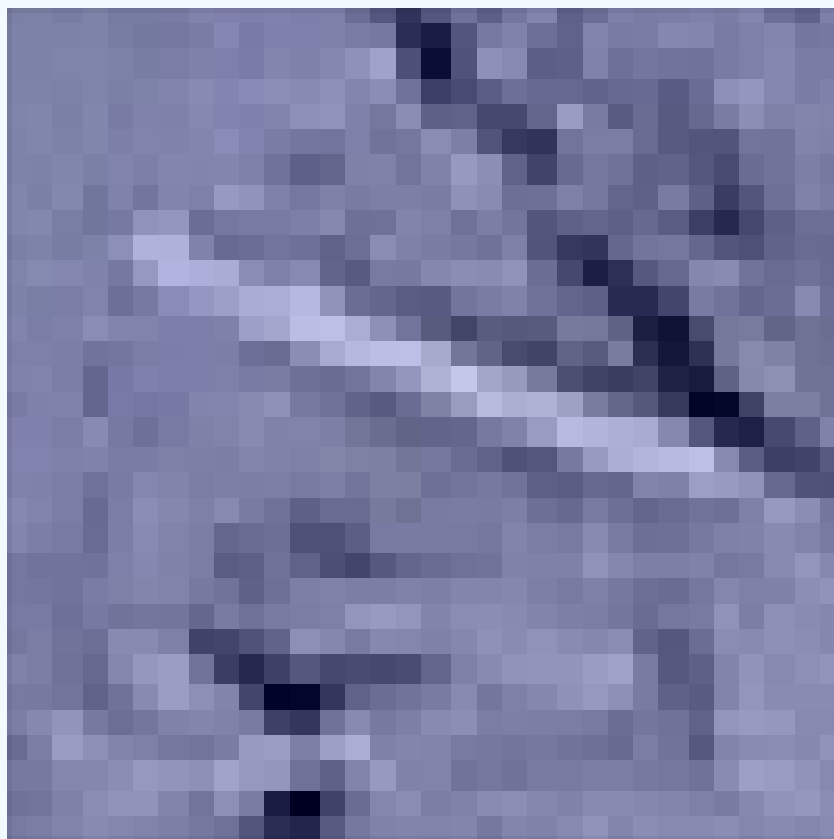


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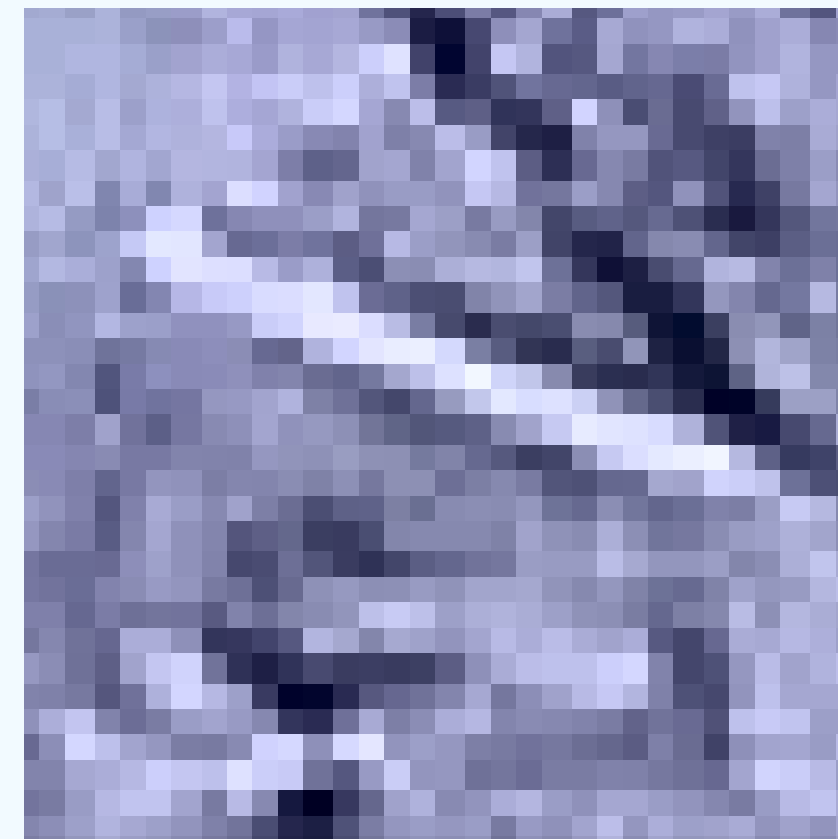
STEPS TO APPLY CLAHE ALGORITHM

- Convert the image to the LAB color space using the `cv2.cvtColor()` function.
- Split the LAB image into its L, a, and b channels using the `cv2.split()` function.
- Apply CLAHE to the L-channel using the `cv2.createCLAHE()` function.
- Merge the CLAHE-enhanced L-channel with the original a and b channels using the `cv2.merge()` function
- Convert the enhanced LAB image back to the BGR color space using the `cv2.cvtColor()` function.
- Return the enhanced image

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Before CLAHE

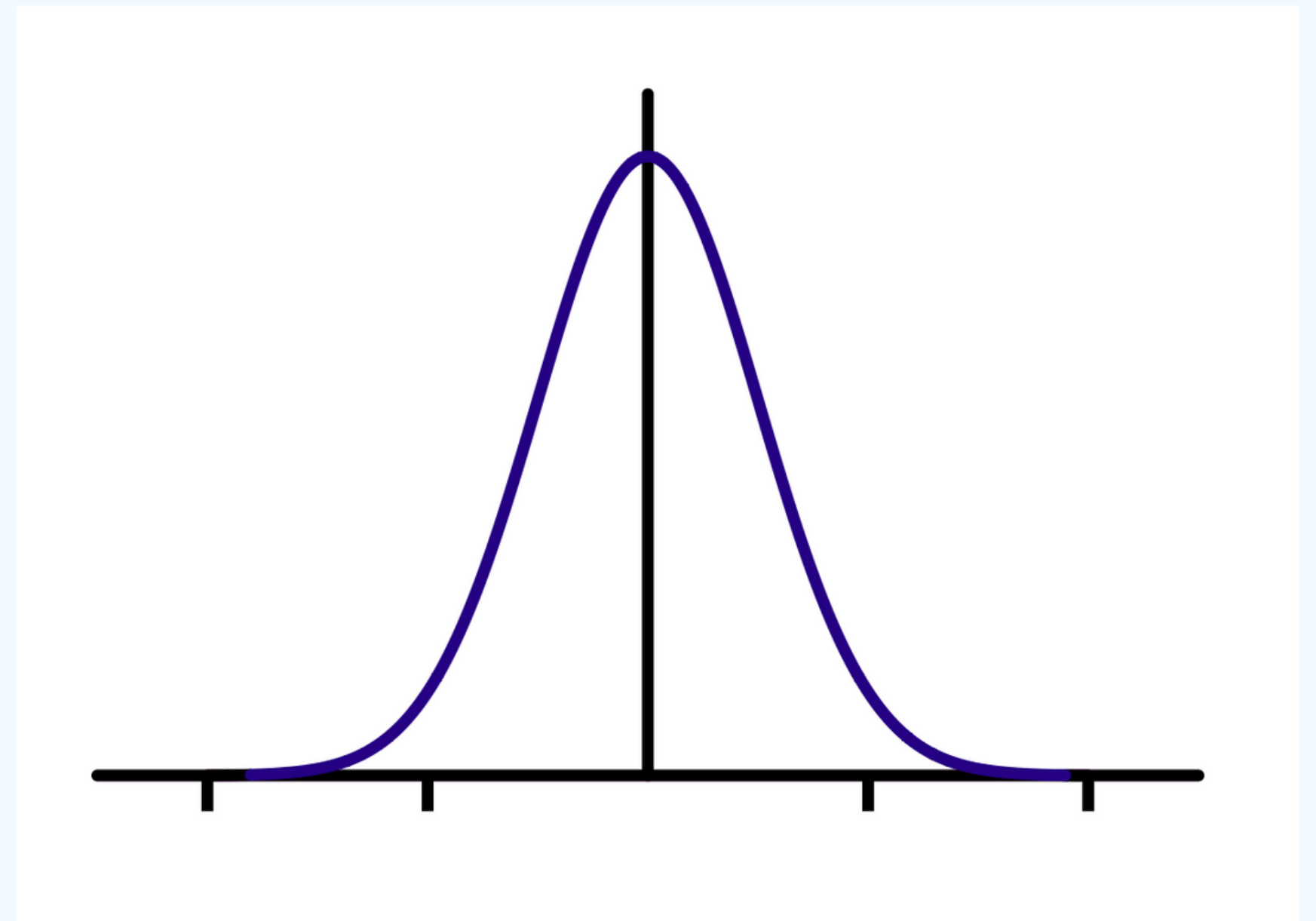


After CLAHE

GAUSSIAN FILTER

WHAT IS IT?

It is a low-pass filter that attenuates high-frequency components in the image while preserving the low-frequency components. This filtering operation helps in reducing noise and fine details in the image, resulting in a smoother appearance.



GAUSSIAN FILTER

HOW IT WORKS?

- A Gaussian kernel is created based on 3×3 , because we were using low resolution images
- The Gaussian kernel is convolved with the input image by placing the kernel at each pixel location.
- The neighboring pixel values are multiplied by the corresponding weights in the Gaussian kernel and summed up.
- The resulting sum is divided by the total weight to obtain the smoothed pixel value.
- The Gaussian filter reduces high-frequency components and preserves low-frequency components, resulting in a blurred version of the image.

GAUSSIAN FILTER



Image



Gaussian



Contrast

LAPLACIAN FILTER

WHAT IS IT?

It is an edge detection filter that highlights regions of rapid intensity changes in an image by calculating the second derivative of the image intensity.

Kernel For Laplacian Filter:

0	1	0
1	-4	1
0	1	0

LAPLACIAN FILTER

HOW IT WORKS?

- The Laplacian filter is applied to the input image.
- The Laplacian filter calculates the second derivative of the image, which measures the rate of change of intensity.
- By taking the second derivative, the Laplacian filter enhances areas of rapid intensity change, such as edges and corners.
- The Laplacian filter highlights these areas by assigning higher values to regions with strong intensity variations.

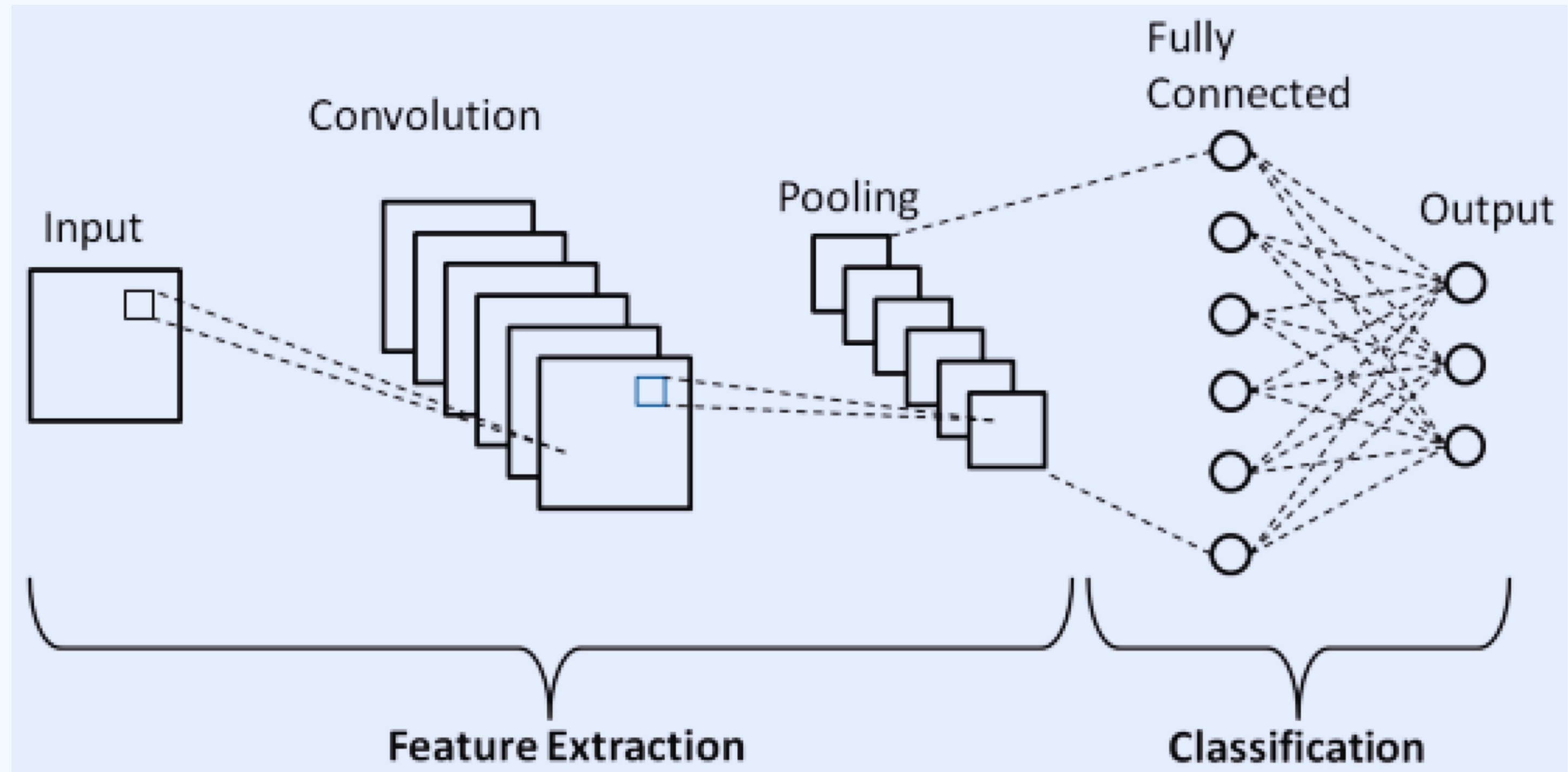
DATA PRE-PROCESSING

CONCLUSIONS

- At the beginning, to be cautious, we decided to test the models based on various image processing techniques.
- We noticed that the experiment with CLAHE, Gaussian and Laplacian Filter performed better.
- In the model selection we will see how choosing the right model will help to solve this dilemma.

MODEL SELECTION

CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS



MODEL SELECTION

WHY CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK?

- CNNs can capture spatial hierarchies of patterns in images.
- CNNs utilize parameter sharing, where the same weights are applied across different spatial locations of the input. This reduces the risk of overfitting.
- CNNs utilize pooling layers like max pooling to downsample feature maps and retain essential information. Pooling reduces spatial dimensions while maintaining critical features, enhancing the network's resilience to input variations.

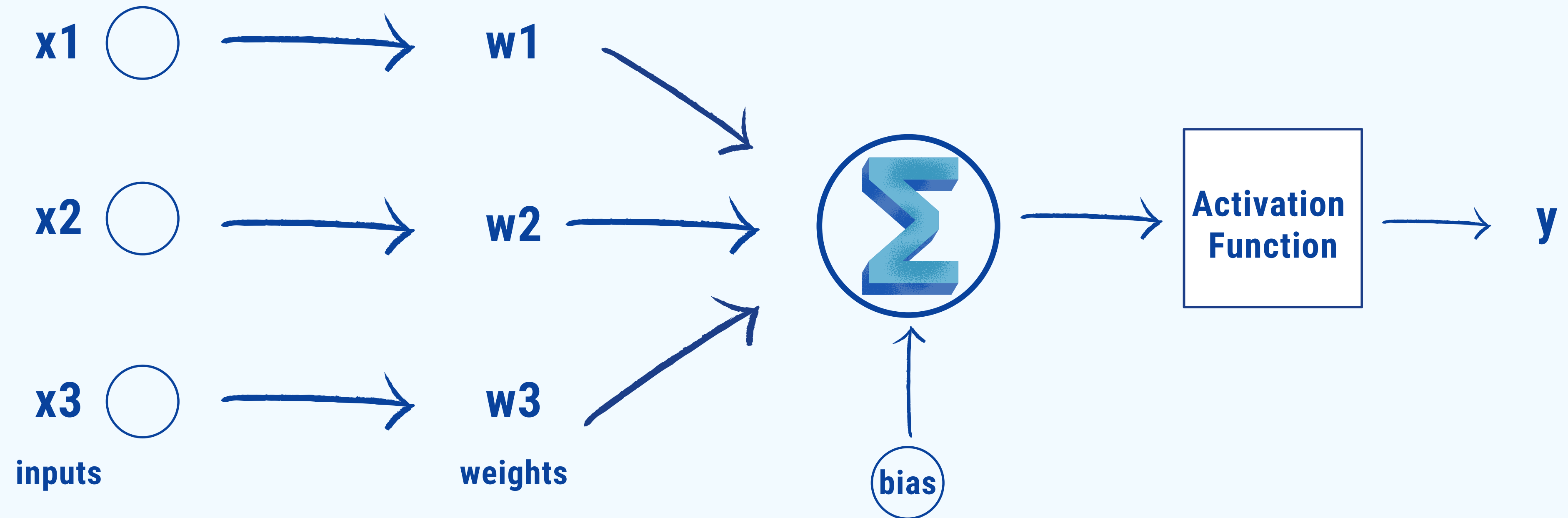
MODEL SELECTION

HOW CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK WORKS?

- Input image is convolved with filters to extract features.
- Rectified Linear Units (ReLU) activation function introduces non-linearity, capturing complex patterns.
- Max pooling reduces spatial dimensions, retaining important features.
- Dropout layers randomly deactivate neurons during training, preventing overfitting.
- Flattening converts the feature maps into a 1D vector.
- Fully connected layers perform classification based on learned features.
- Sigmoid activation function produces a binary classification prediction.

MODEL SELECTION

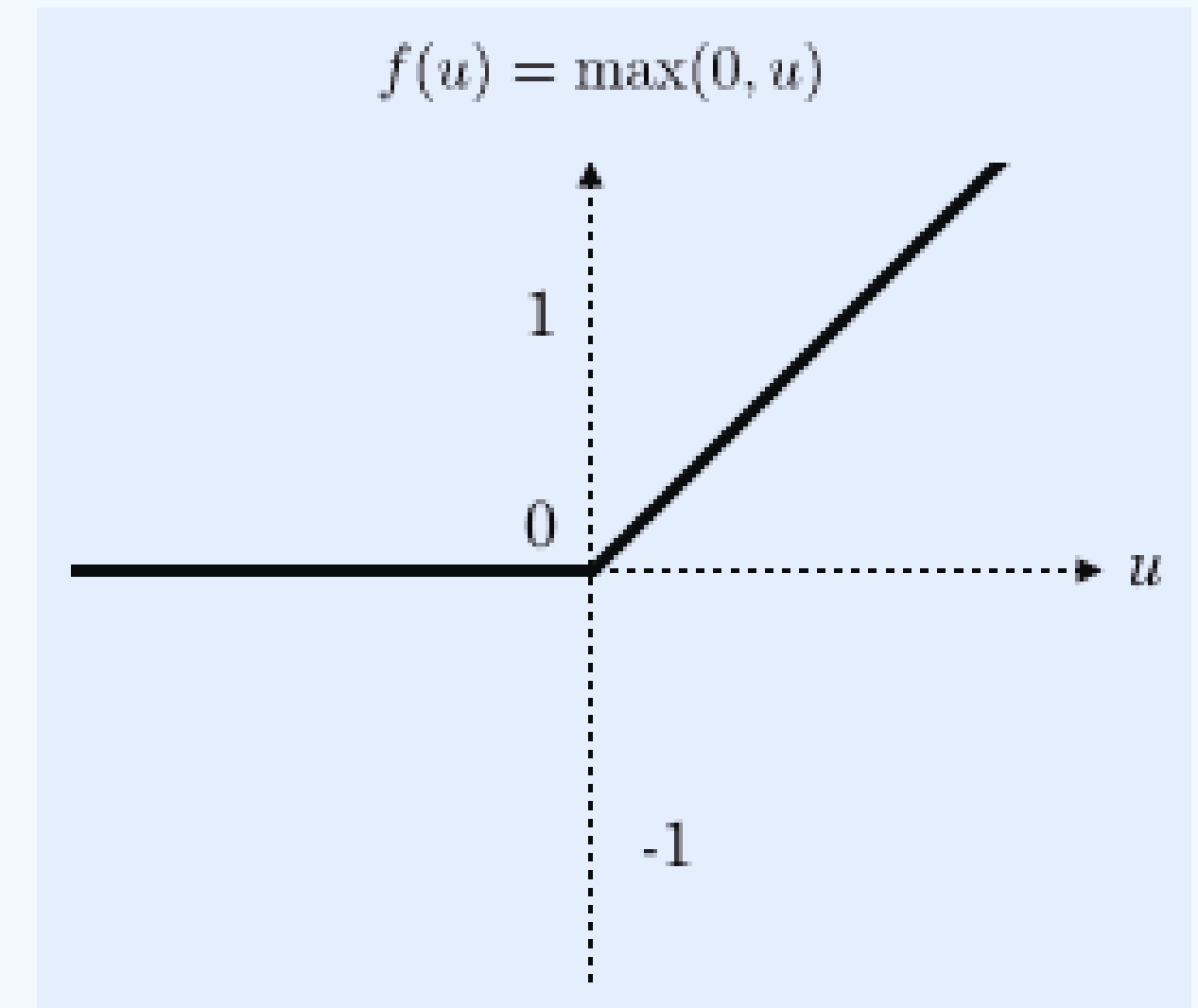
ACTIVATION FUNCTION



MODEL SELECTION

WHY RELUs?

- ReLU is an activation function that introduces non-linear activation function.
- It avoids saturation problems that can occur with other activation functions.
- It promotes sparse activation by setting negative values to zero.



$$f(x) = \max(0, x)$$

MODEL SELECTION

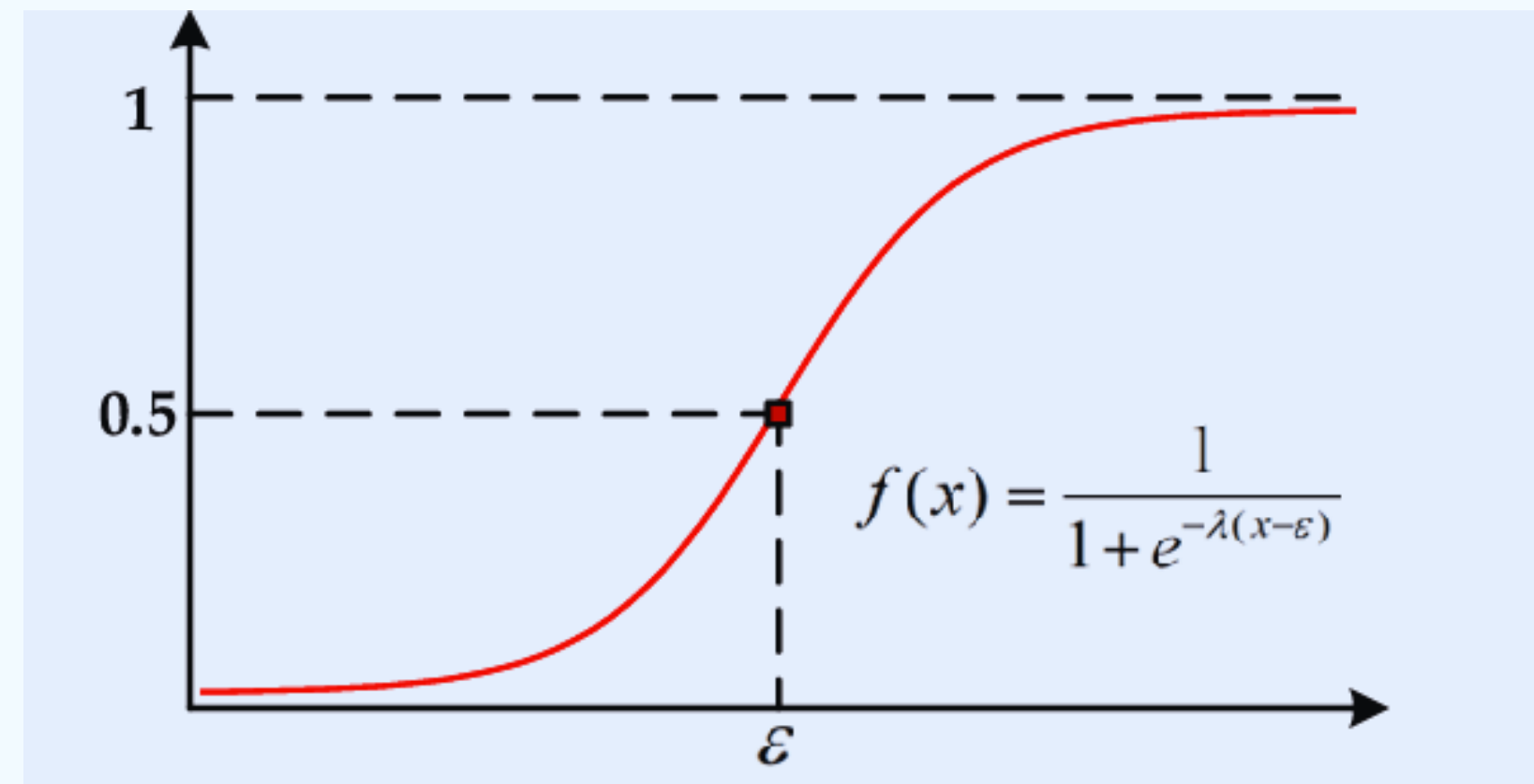
WHY MAX POOLING?

- It reduces the spatial dimensions of the feature maps, effectively downsampling the information.
- Max pooling reduces the size of the feature maps, which can help prevent overfitting by reducing the number of parameters in subsequent layers.
- It helps to extract higher-level and more abstract representations of the input data as the receptive field increases with each pooling operation.

MODEL SELECTION

WHY SIGMOID ACTIVATION FUNCTION IN THE LAST LAYER?

By using the sigmoid activation function, the model can provide a clear decision boundary between the two classes, where values below 0.5 are classified as the negative class and values above 0.5 as the positive class.



MODEL SELECTION

WHY DROPOUT REGULARIZATION?

- It reduces the interdependence of neurons by randomly dropping out a certain percentage of neurons during training.
- By reducing co-adaptation among neurons, dropout helps to prevent overfitting.
- Dropout promotes faster convergence and reduces the chances of getting stuck in local optima.

MODEL SELECTION

WHY ADAM OPTIMIZER?

- It computes individual learning rates for different parameters, which helps in faster convergence and better optimization.
- It reduces the need for manual tuning of hyperparameters.
- Adam uses momentum, which accumulates the past gradients and uses it to update the parameters. This helps in faster convergence by preventing the optimizer from getting stuck in local minima.

MODEL SELECTION

WHAT ARE EPOCHS?

The number of complete passes that the entire training dataset undergoes during the training process.



TOO MANY EPOCHS?

OVERFITTING

The model may have high accuracy on the training set but fail to generalize well.

TOO LESS EPOCHS?

UNDERFITTING

It may have a high bias and low variance, resulting in poor accuracy on both the training and test/validation sets.

HYPERPARAMETER TUNING

WHAT ARE HYPERPARAMETERS?

Hyperparameters are the variables which determines the network structure and the variables which determine how the network is trained.

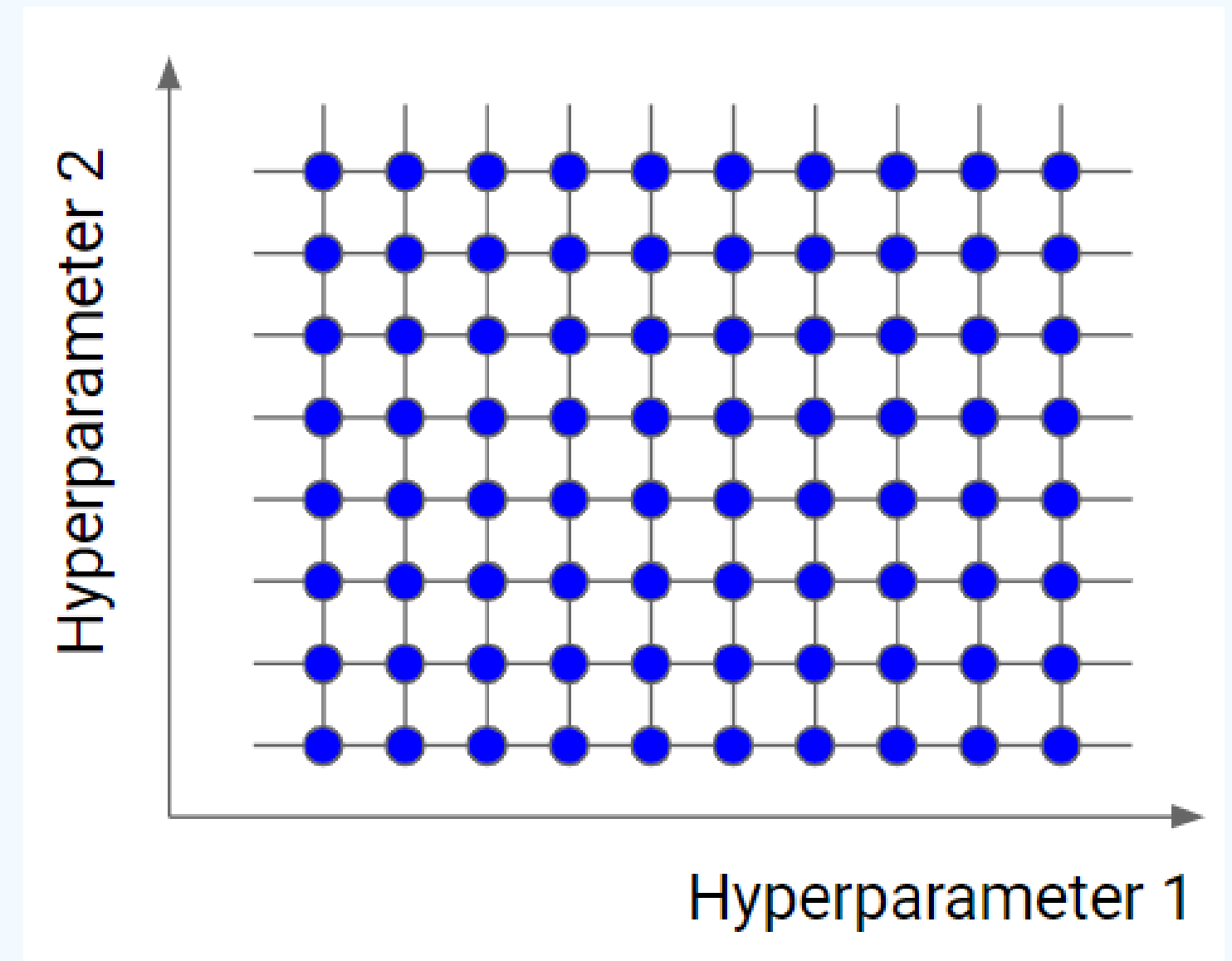
WHY HYPERPARAMETER TUNING?

It aims to optimize model performance, enhance generalization ability, ensure training stability, efficiently utilize resources, and adapt the model to the specific characteristics of the data.

HYPERPARAMETER TUNING

WHAT IS GRID SEARCH?

Grid Search uses a different combination of all the specified hyperparameters and their values and calculates the performance for each combination and selects the best value for the hyperparameters. The dimension is the number of hyper-parameters that we are tuning.



HYPERPARAMETER TUNING

WHY GRID SEARCH?

- Automates the process of hyperparameter tuning by systematically exploring different combinations of hyperparameters.
- Improves the generalization of the model by finding hyperparameters that work well across multiple cross-validation folds.
- Reduces the need for manual trial and error in selecting hyperparameters.

HYPERPARAMETER TUNING

PARAMETER SELECTION FOR GRID SEARCH

- **batch_size:** The grid search includes two different batch sizes, namely 32 and 64. These batch sizes represent the number of training examples processed in each iteration.
- **epochs:** Two distinct numbers of epochs, 30 and 50, were selected. These values indicate the number of complete passes or iterations over the training dataset during the model training process.

MODEL SELECTION

CONVOLUTIONAL LAYERS

Convolutional layer	NUMBER OF FILTERS	FILTER SIZE	NUMBER OF PARAMETERS
Conv2D_1	32	3x3x3	$(3 \times 3 \times 3 + 1) \times 32 = 896$
Conv2D_2	64	3x3x32	$(3 \times 3 \times 32 + 1) \times 64 = 18496$
Conv2D_3	128	3x3x64	$(3 \times 3 \times 64 + 1) \times 128 = 73856$

MODEL SELECTION

SOME EXPERIMENTS

MODEL	PREPROCESSING STEPS	TEST ACCURACY
CNN	Convert To Green, Contrast Enhancement	0.9894
CNN	Contrast Enhancement, Normalization (0-1)	0.9869
CNN	Convert To Green, Contrast Enhancement, Contour Detection, Normalization (0-1)	0.9779
CNN	Averaging Filter, Convert To Green, Contrast Enhancement, Contour Detection, Normalization (0-1)	0.9599
CNN	Averaging Filter, Contrast Enhancement (CLAHE), Sobel Filter, Normalization (0-1)	0.9685
CNN	Averaging Filter, Sobel Filter, Normalization (0-1)	0.9728
CNN	Contrast, Gaussian Filter, Laplacian, Normalization (0-1)	0.9917

MODEL PERFORMANCE

- The use of convolutional layers in the CNN model allows the model to capture spatial relationships and patterns in the input images effectively.
- The multiple convolutional layers in the model can learn hierarchical representations of the cactus images.
- The CNN model is able to effectively extract meaningful features from the cactus images and make accurate predictions, resulting in better model performance for the cactus classification task.

CONCLUSION

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- The CNN model is able to effectively extract meaningful features from the cactus images and make accurate predictions, resulting in better model performance for the cactus classification task.
- However, we did not focus our attention on a parameterization of the CNN, which could lead to better results

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