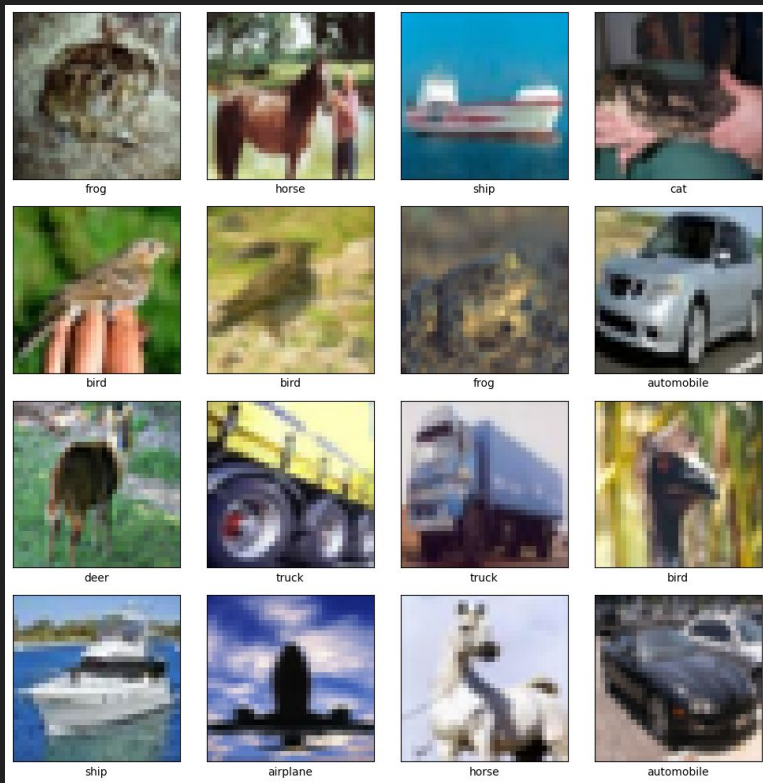




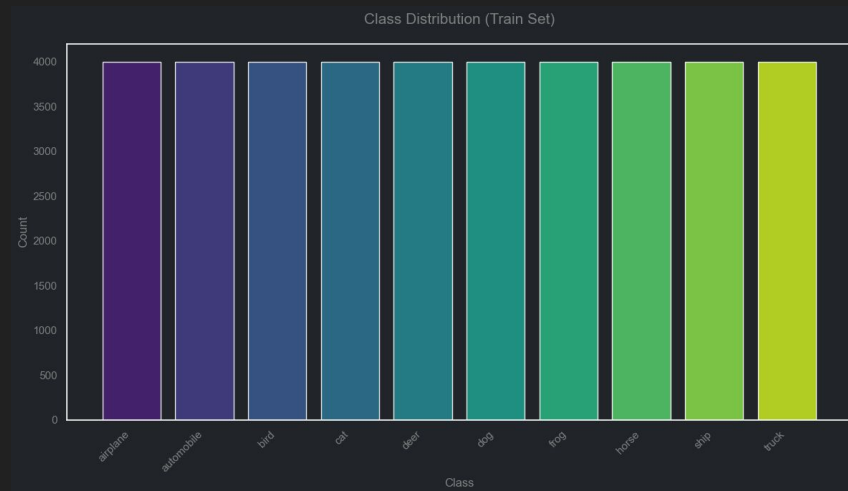
# Computer Vision

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# CIFAR10 small images classification dataset



- [cifar10 dataset from keras](#)
- 60,000 32x32 colour images in 10 classes
  - training: 50,000 images
  - test: 10,000 images
- 6,000 images per class



# Data Preparation

## data splitting:

cifar10 is pre-split into 50K train and 10K test images, but we adjusted to

- 40,000 train
- 10,000 validation
- 10,000 test

## Images

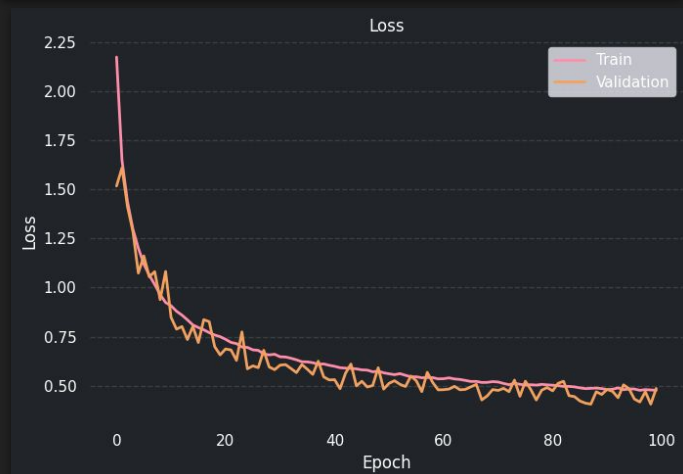
- Normalization

## Target

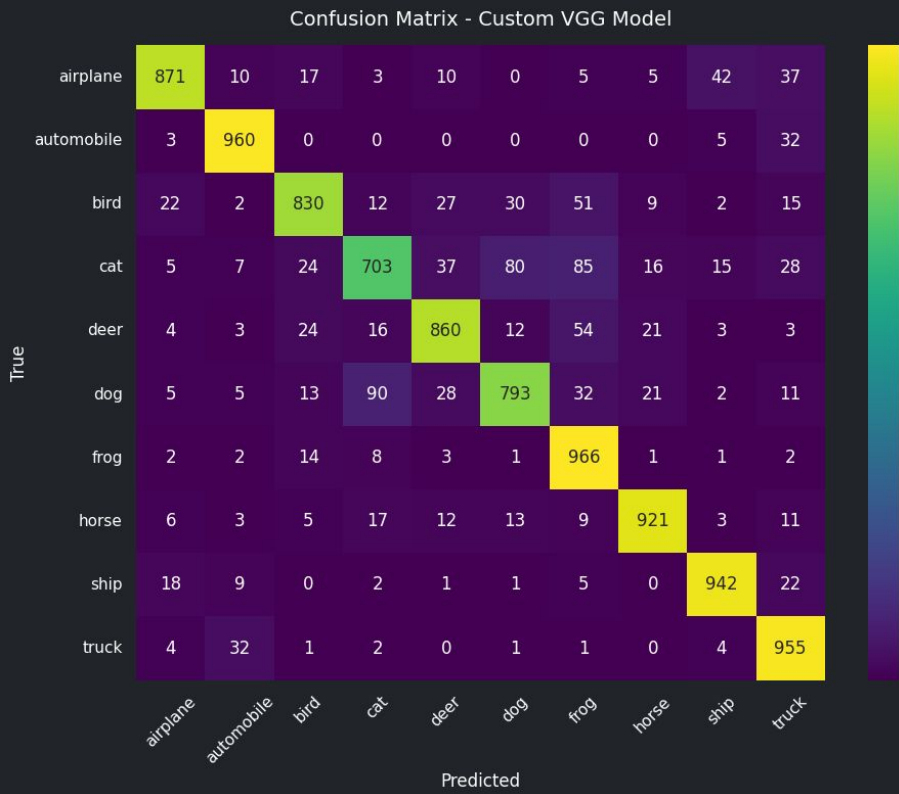
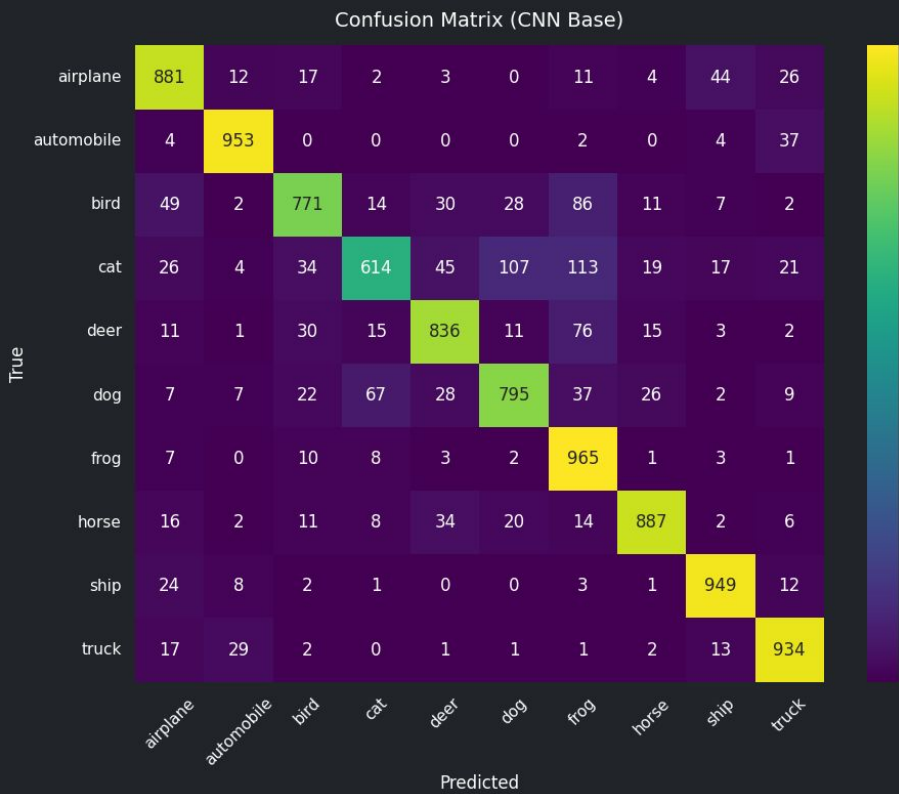
- One-Hot-Encoding

# CNN – base model

- 3 blocks
  - Conv2D 32 (x2) ; 64 (x2) ; 128
  - activation “relu”
  - Dropouts (0.25,0.25,0.4)
- Classifier
  - Dense 256
  - Dropout 0.5
  - activation “softmax”
- Compiler:
  - adam, with adjusted learning rate
  - loss=“sparse\_categorical\_crossentropy”
- Early Stop:
  - monitor val\_loss
  - patience = 10
- ReduceLROnPlateau:
  - monitor val\_loss
  - patience = 5



# Confusion Matrixes CNN Models



## Transfer Learning: EfficientNetB0 (04 Model)

# EfficientNetB0



## Adjustments:

- resized images to (96,96)
- randomly adjusted brightness, contrast, hue, saturation, random crop
- 'unnormalised' data, since image normalisation happens inside EfficientNet

## EfficientNetB0 - Layers Unfrozen

## Adjustments:

- same as before
- Unfroze half of the layers

# Transferlearning: EfficientNetV2B1 (Model 06)

EfficientNetV2B1



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- 'unnormalised' data, since image normalisation happens inside EfficientNet

EfficientNetV2B1 – Layers Unfrozen

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# Transferlearning: EfficientNetV2S (Model 07)

PyTorch



Adjustments:

- using Pytorch library instead of keras
- same as 04 model
- Normalized by the mean and std

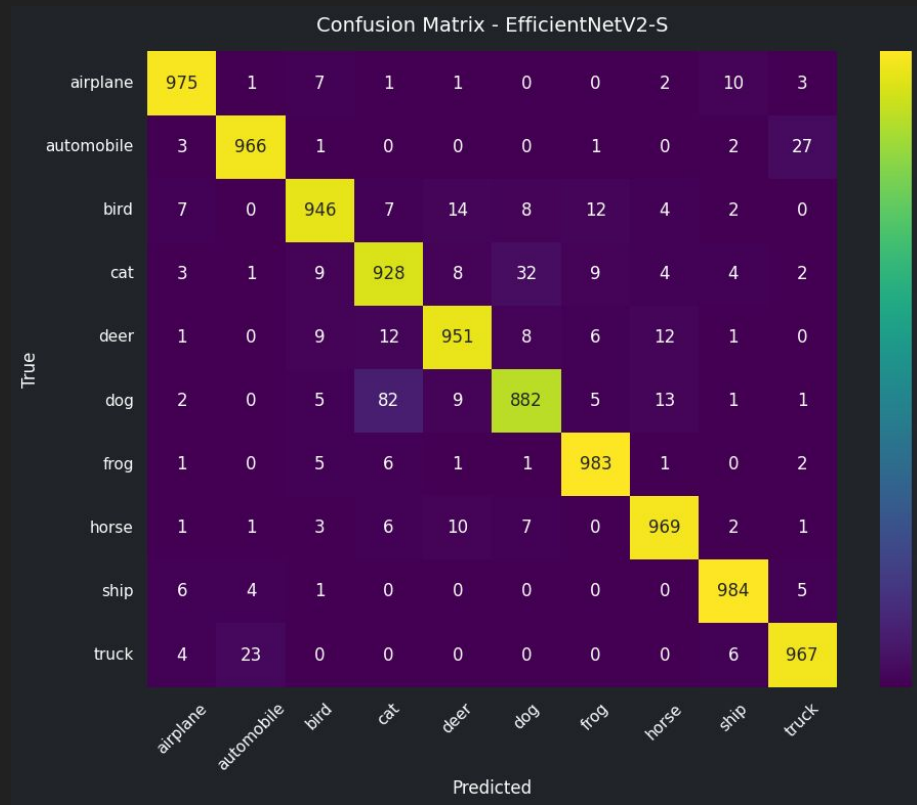
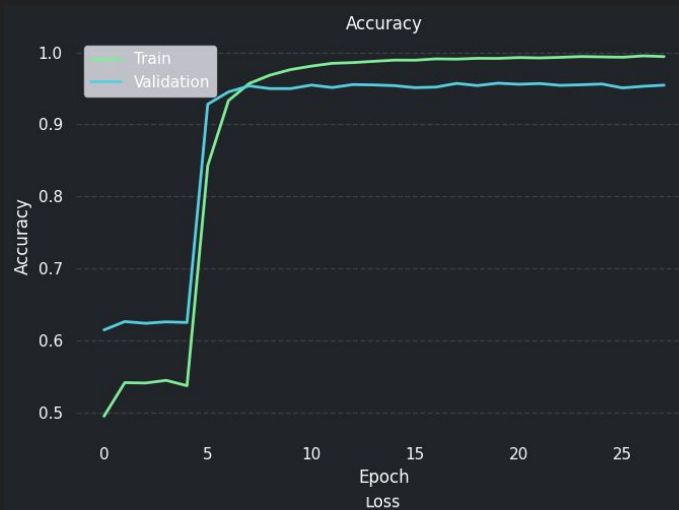
PyTorch – Layers Unfrozen

Adjustments:

- Unfroze half of the layers
- Smaller learning rate and label smoothing
- Increase the patience



# Best Model: PyTorch: Performance

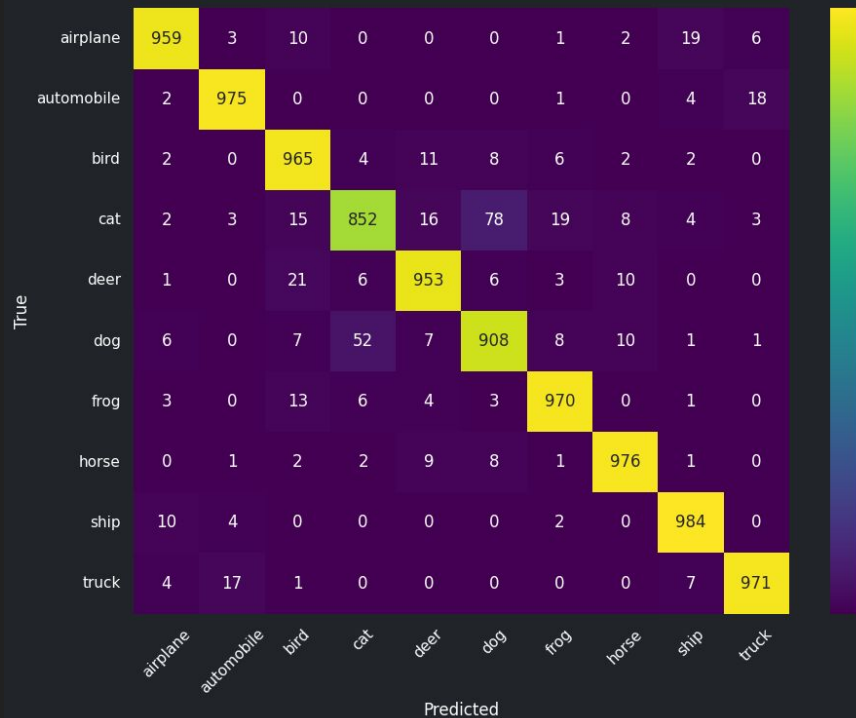


# Transfer Learning: Confusion Matrixes

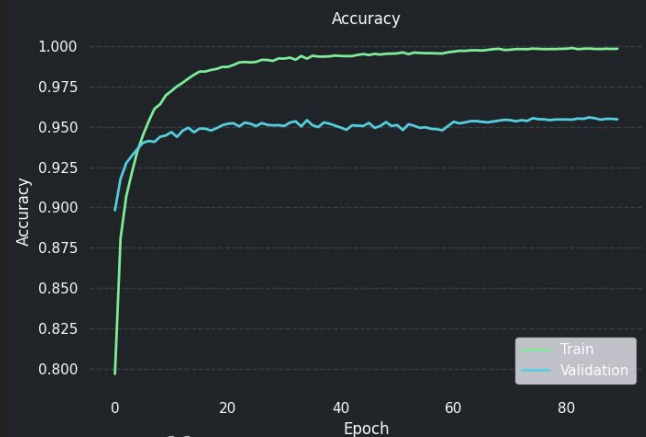
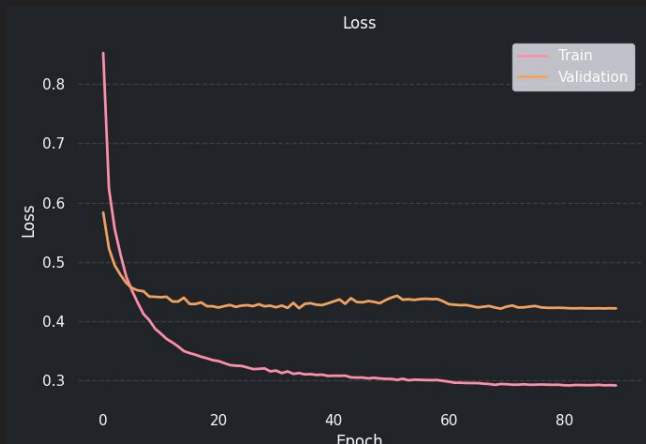
Confusion Matrix - EfficientNetB0



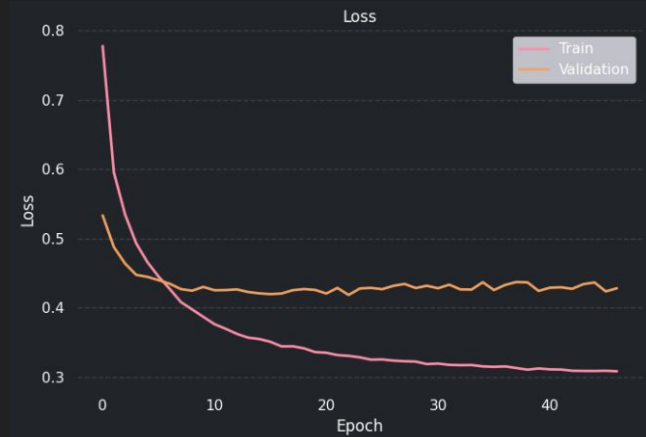
Confusion Matrix - EfficientNetV2B1



# Transfer Learning Curves



EfficientNet B0



EfficientNet V2B1

# Overview: Adjustments made on...

## Images:

- rotation
- adjusting saturation / hue / brightness
- cutting random holes into the images
- flipping
- random crop

## Model Architecture:

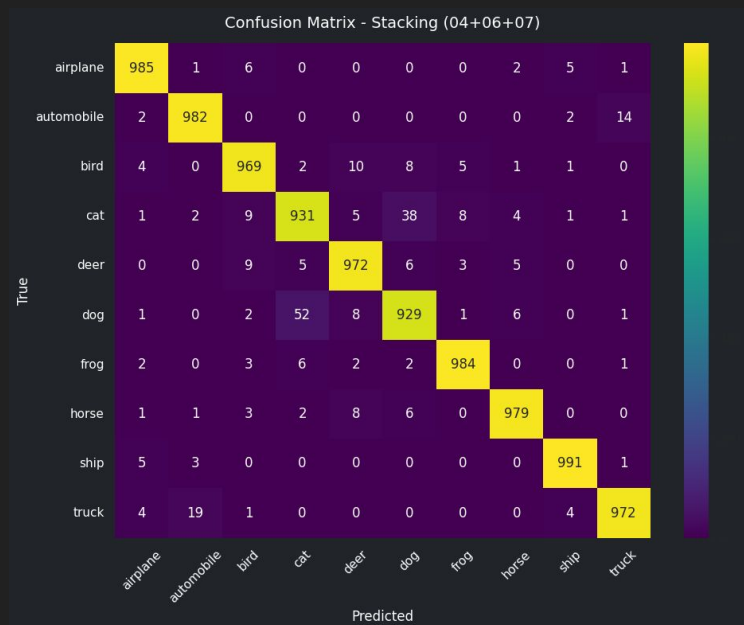
- add layers
- batch normalisation
- replicating the architecture of the VGGBN model on our CNN model

## Model Training

- learning rate scheduler:
  - reduces learning rate as you progress
- label smoothing:
  - accepts less confident predictions, improving performance

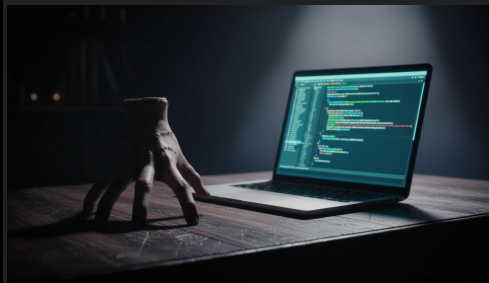
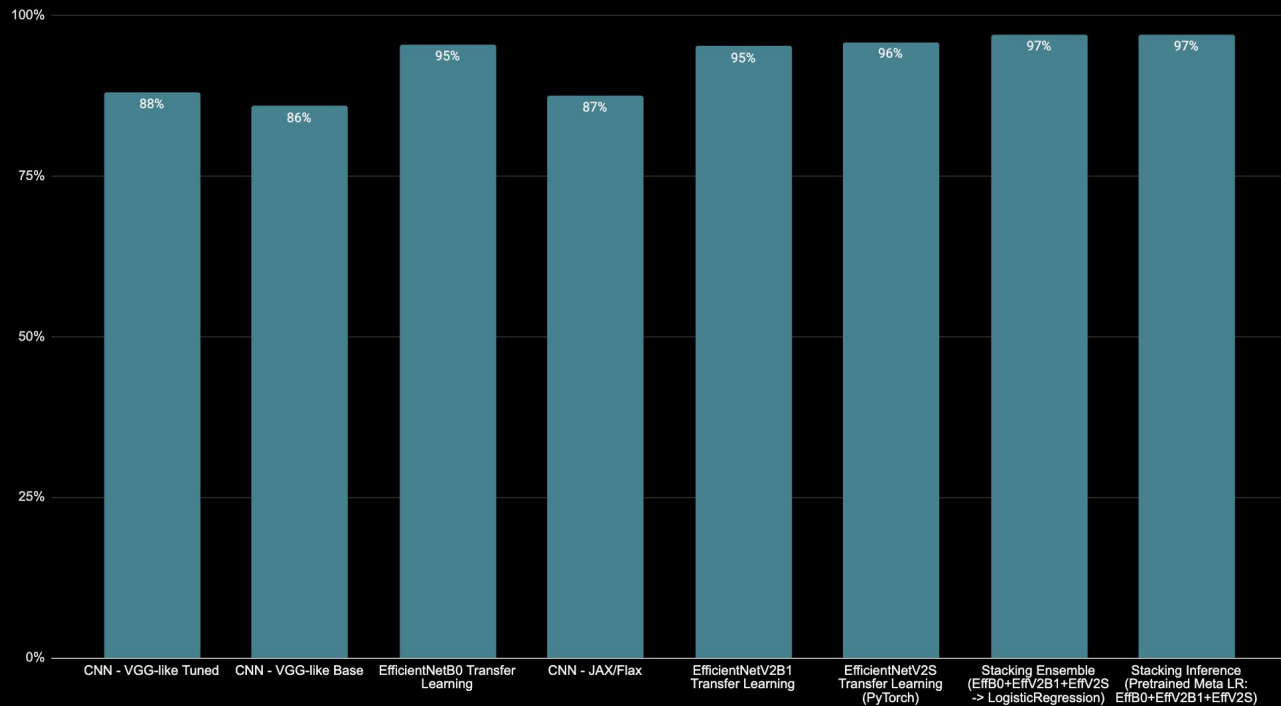
# Very Best Model: Franceshina Model

- Stacking Models 04 + 06 + 07
- using a logistic regression to stack these models
- F1 Score: 96.94%



# Evaluation Overview

## Performance Summary: Accuracy



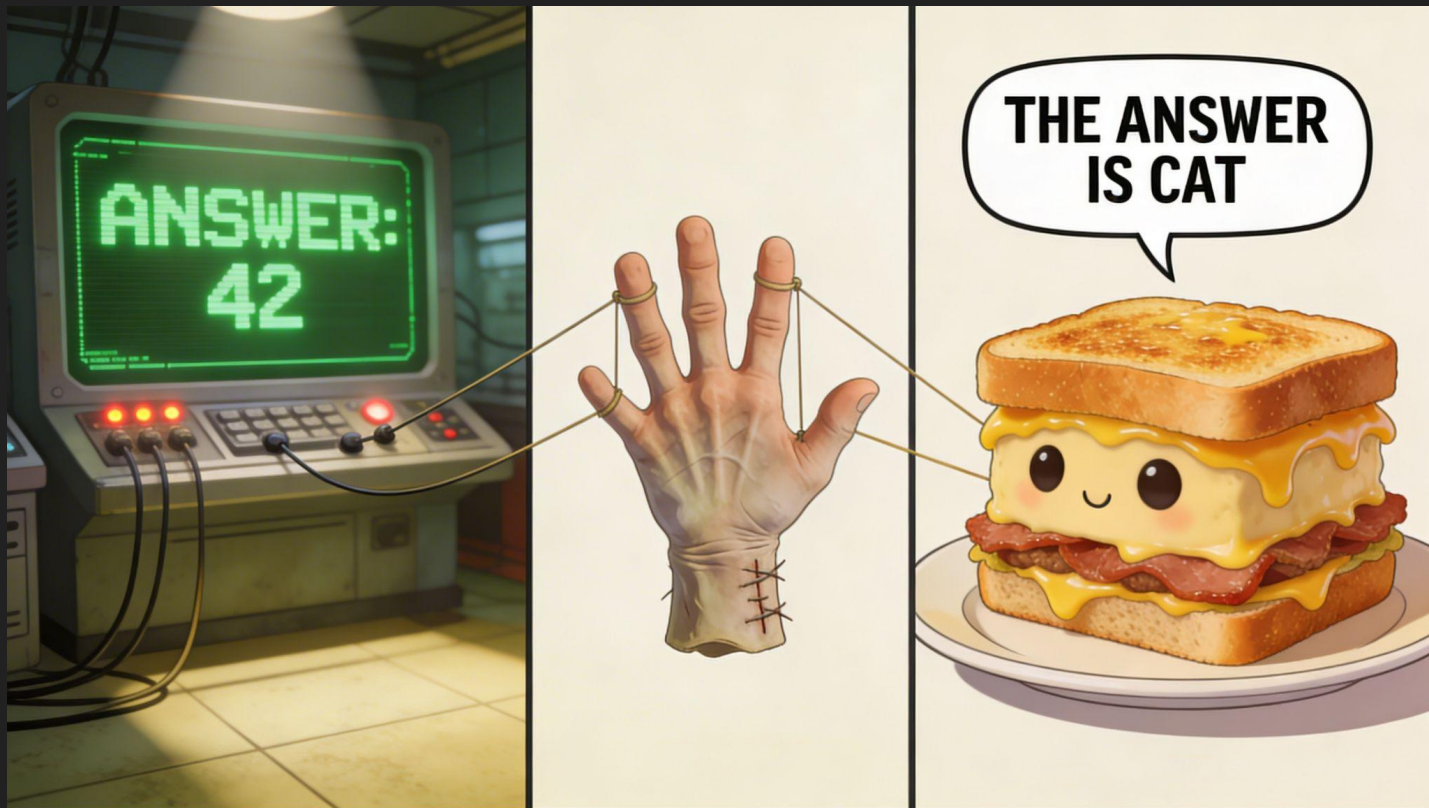
# Conclusion

- It helps to challenge your model by manipulating the data input: think of it as giving your model the really harsh and difficult physics teacher → the model is going to do really well on the test
- Pre-trained models achieve better results, quicker, but have more overfitting.

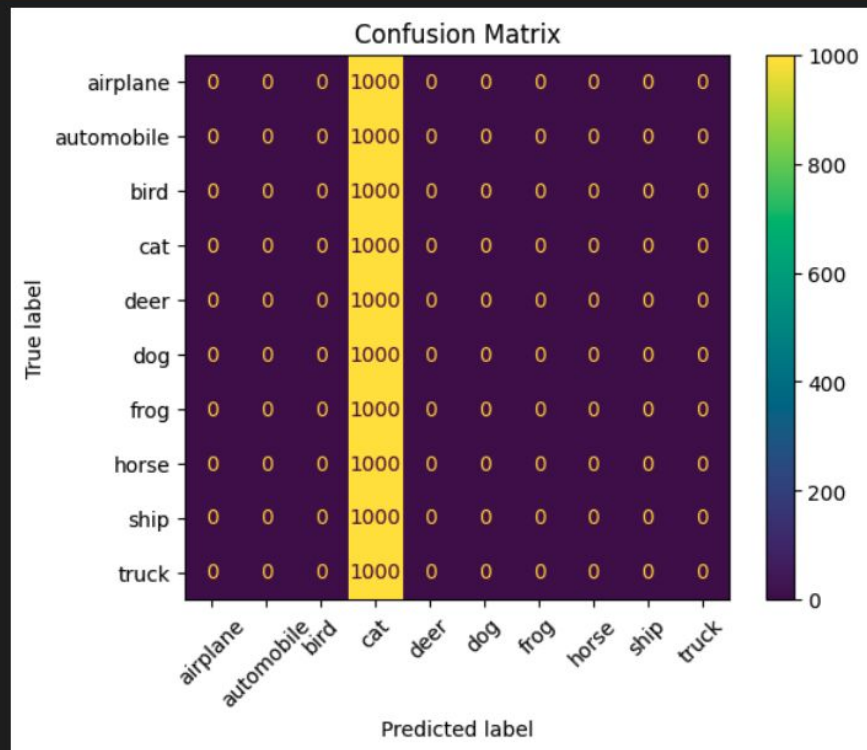
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# What we learned?







# Questions?



Yes, everything *IS* cats (not 42).

# Early stopping...



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# triggered by Google Colab.

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