



CLASSIFYING HUMAN EMOTION USING CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORKS



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EMOTION

**AND ITS ROLE AS A UNIVERSAL
LANGUAGE**





facial expressions of
emotion are
universal, not
learned differently
in each culture

– Charles Darwin, *The Expression of
Emotions in Man and Animals*

THEORETICAL RATIONALE

WHY EMOTION?

Emotions are universal

Many scientists believe that there are **seven universal emotions** that humans are biologically-hardwired to express

Facial expressions account for nearly 70% of all non-verbal communication

WHY AI?

AI is everywhere

Artificially-intelligent systems can be trained to identify faces and recognize emotions using the same basic visual scanning techniques done by humans

These systems have many different applications in consumer technology



CLASSIFYING EMOTION



Anger



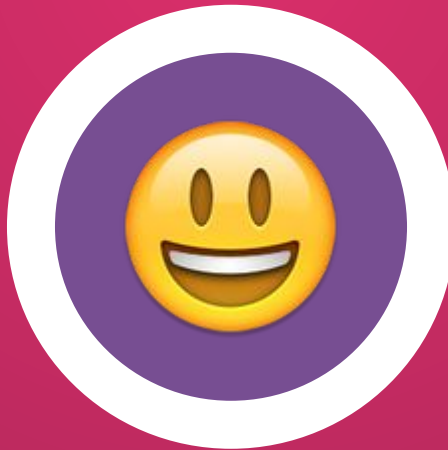
Disgust



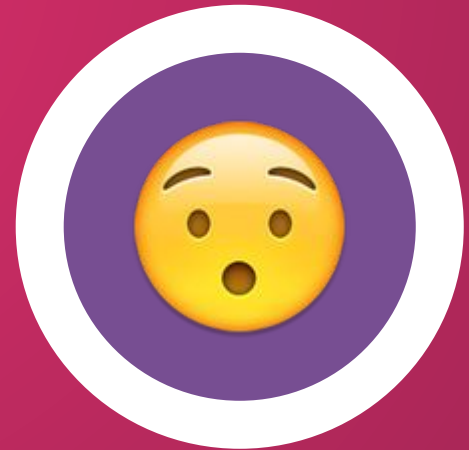
Fear



Sad



Happy



Surprised

HOW EMOTION IS EXTRACTED

PRE-PROCESSING

Images from a dataset are normalized, so inconsistencies do not affect learning

Cropped and resized to a 48x48 input image

ANALYSIS

Viola-Jones algorithms from OpenCV and TFLearn detect features

Subsets are scanned for facial markers

CLASSIFICATION

Input is then mapped to the softmax output layer nodes

The unit with the highest activation gets selected

THE FER2013

A large, publicly-available dataset used to train and validate the CNN's emotion-detecting capabilities

28,709 faces

Used to train and validate the model

48x48 pixel

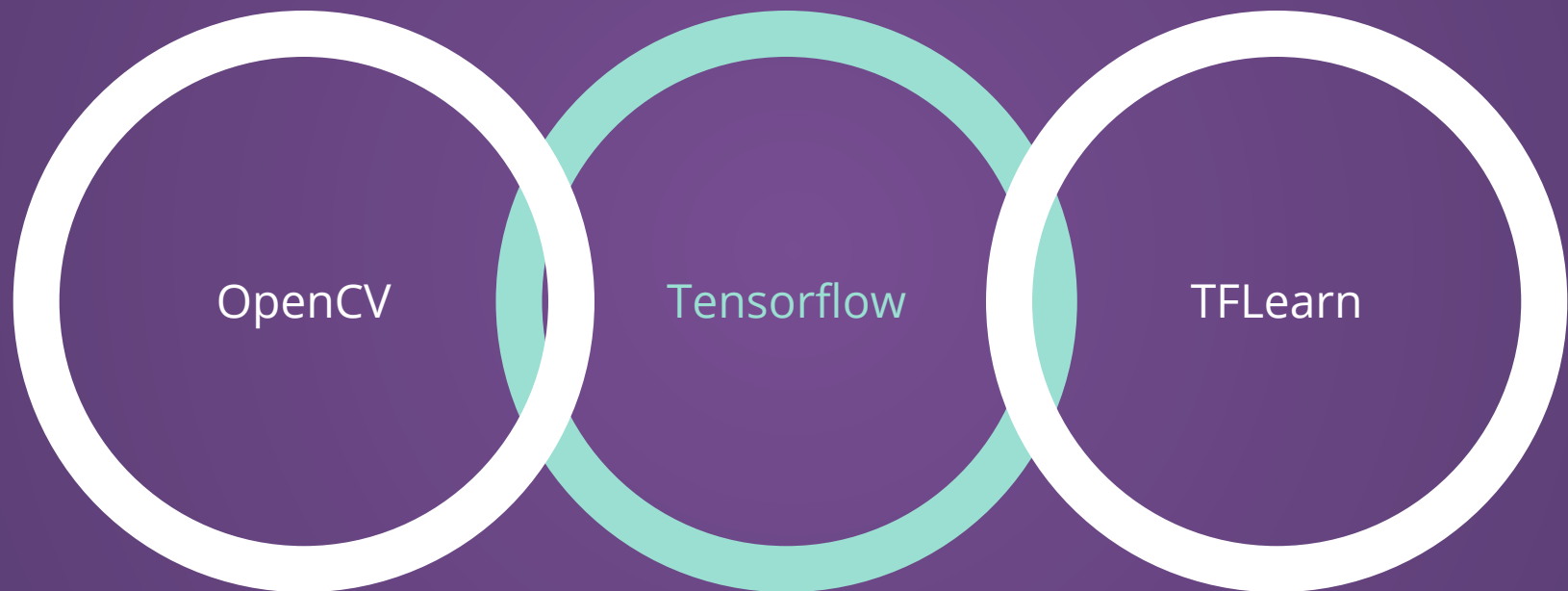
Tokenized grayscale images

100 epochs

To converge to 67% accuracy (approx. ~40 hrs)

CONVENTIONAL FACIAL RECOGNITION

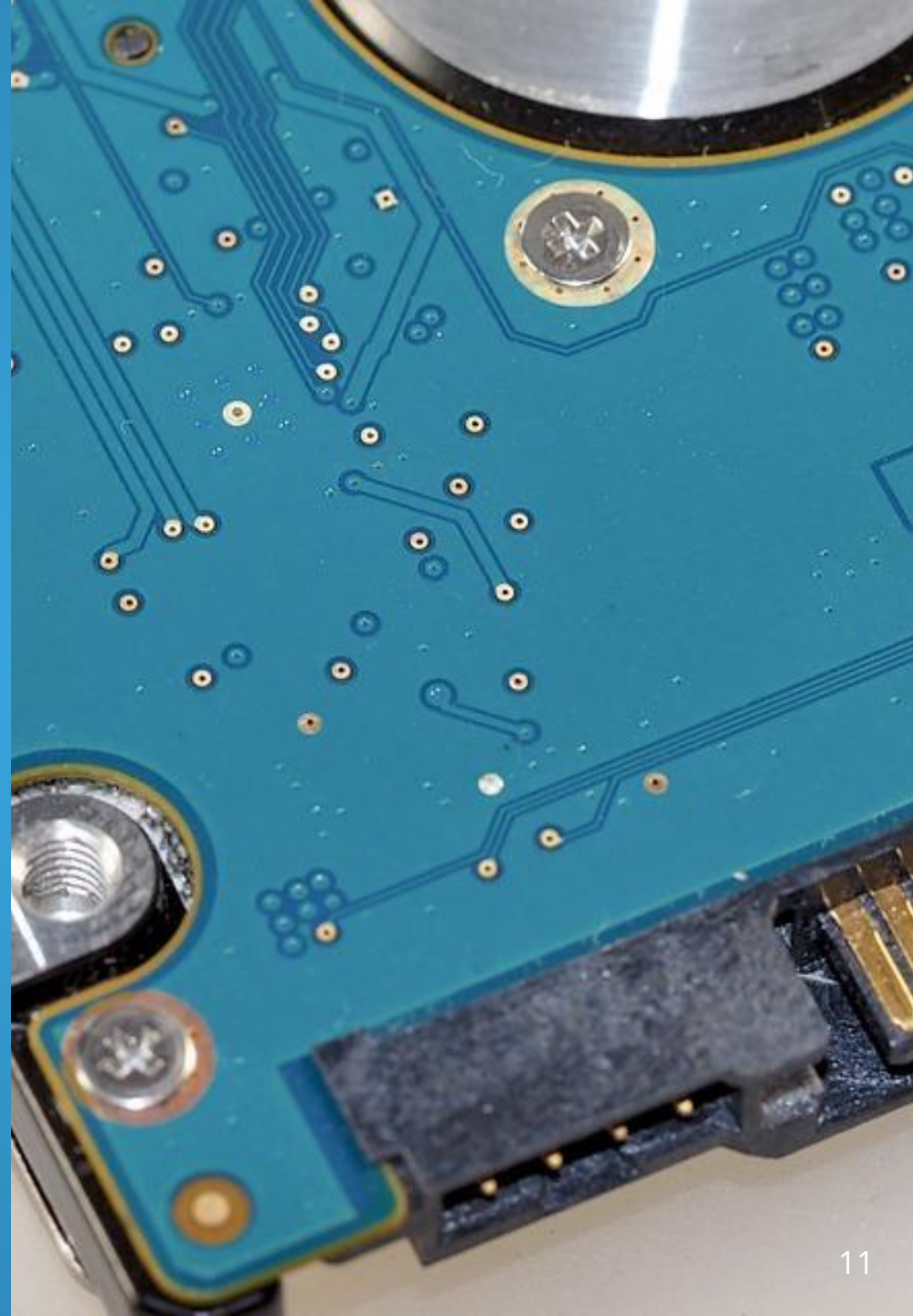
USING IMAGE CLASSIFIERS AND FEATURE DETECTORS



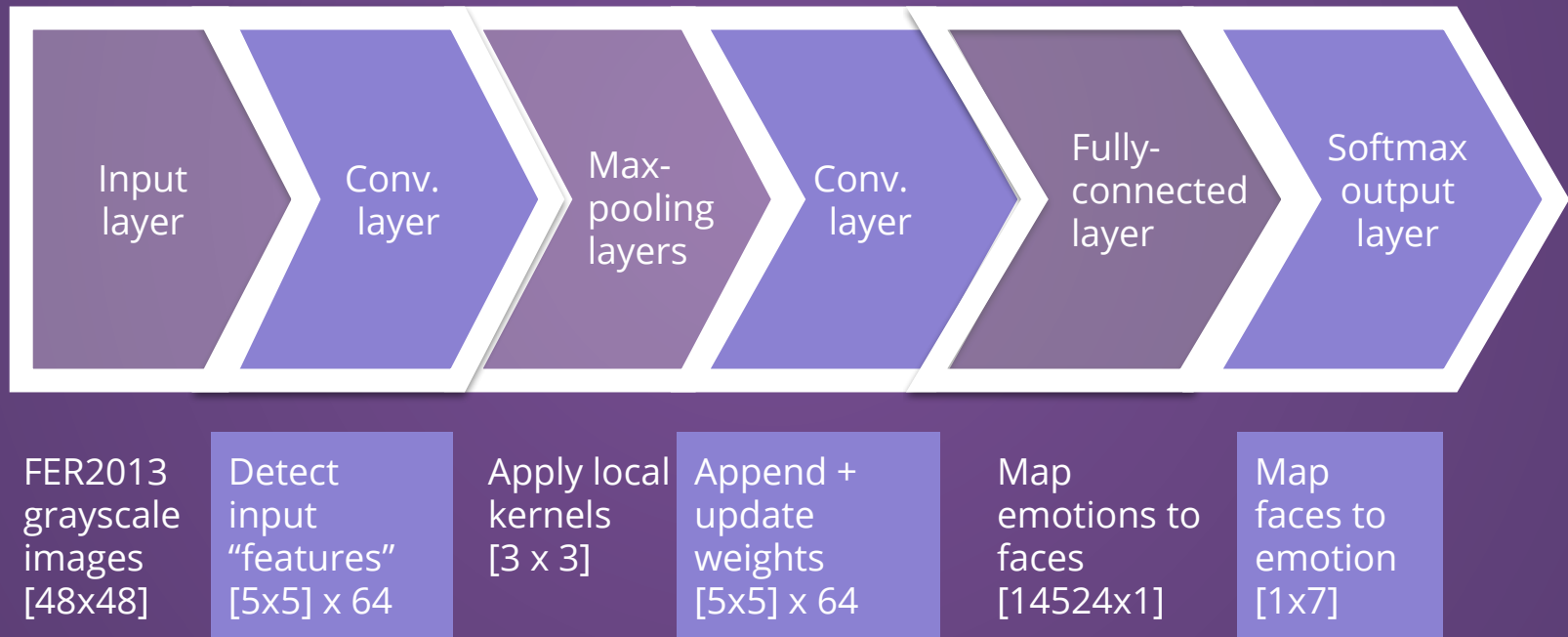
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NETWORK BASICS: IMAGE CLASSIFIERS AND FEATURE DETECTORS

- ◇ **Tensorflow**
 - machine learning framework
- ◇ **TFLearn**
 - high-level API for deep learning
- ◇ **OpenCV**
 - open-source computer vision APIs
- ◇ **Docker**
 - python/tensorflow runtime environment



EMOTION RECOGNITION NETWORK STRUCTURE



SUMMARY OF NETWORK OPERATIONS



INPUT

FER2013 images come pre-cropped to 48x48 px, and have been cleaned up, rescaled and converted into a numpy-readable array



EDIT

OpenCV Viola-Jones algorithm normalizes factors like face location, low image quality, in-plane tilt and rotation to filter out poor data



ITERATE

Kernels (“filters”) operate on subsets of the input matrix to quickly discard unnecessary artifacts and retain the facial expression features



COMPARE

The AlexNet CNN model uses TFLearn and OpenCV libraries to calculate Haar-features and reduce negative windows (cascade filters)



UPDATE

Error backpropagation functions from TFLearn library are used to update the activation weights in the convolutional layers



CLASSIFY

The fully-trained deep net selects the softmax output neuron that has the highest activation given by the ReLU Rectifier: $\max(x, 0)$

PERFORMANCE MATRIX USING INITIAL DATASET

	Anger	Disgust	Fear	Happy	Neutral	Sad	Surprise
Anger	0.5						
Disgust		0.62					
Fear			0.37				
Happy				0.90			
Neutral					0.80		
Sad						0.28	
Surprise							0.77

* Data provided by TU Delft and @isseu on Github, ran using the same neural net and training set

A person wearing a red sweater is seated at a light-colored wooden desk. They are writing on a white document with a black pen. Their left hand rests on the document, and they are wearing a watch with a black strap and a face with orange and white details. To the left of the person is a brown leather bag with a strap. The background is slightly blurred, showing a wooden chair and some books or papers on a shelf.

FUTURE WORK AND NEXT STEPS

FUTURE WORK + CONSIDERATIONS

Train the network using various datasets

- ◇ Reduced FER2013
- ◇ Japanese Female Facial Expressions (JAFPE)
- ◇ CK+ dataset



Analyze for other facial feature characteristics

- ◇ Gender
- ◇ Age
- ◇ Race



Implement emotion-detection in consumer tech

- ◇ Automatic playlist generation
- ◇ Mood prediction in behavioral health apps



REAL-TIME CLASSIFICATION

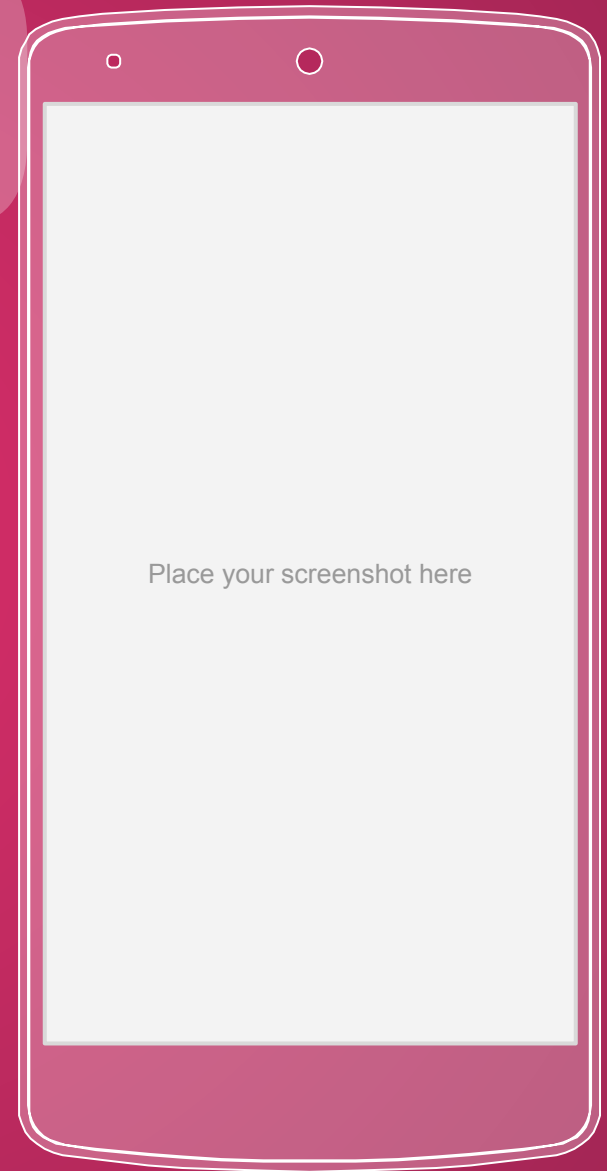
Trained classifier
operates on individual
frames from a live video
stream





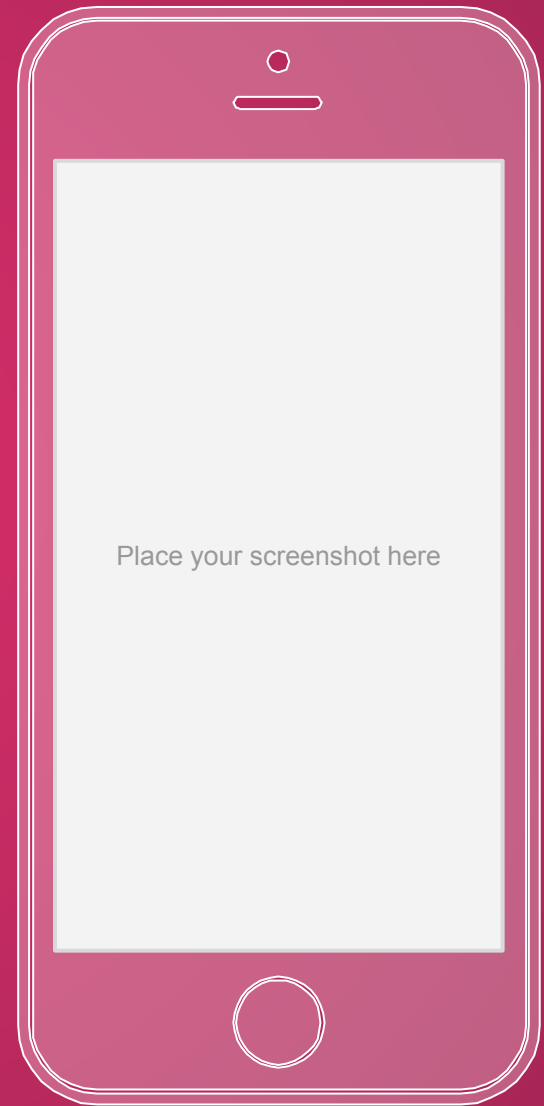
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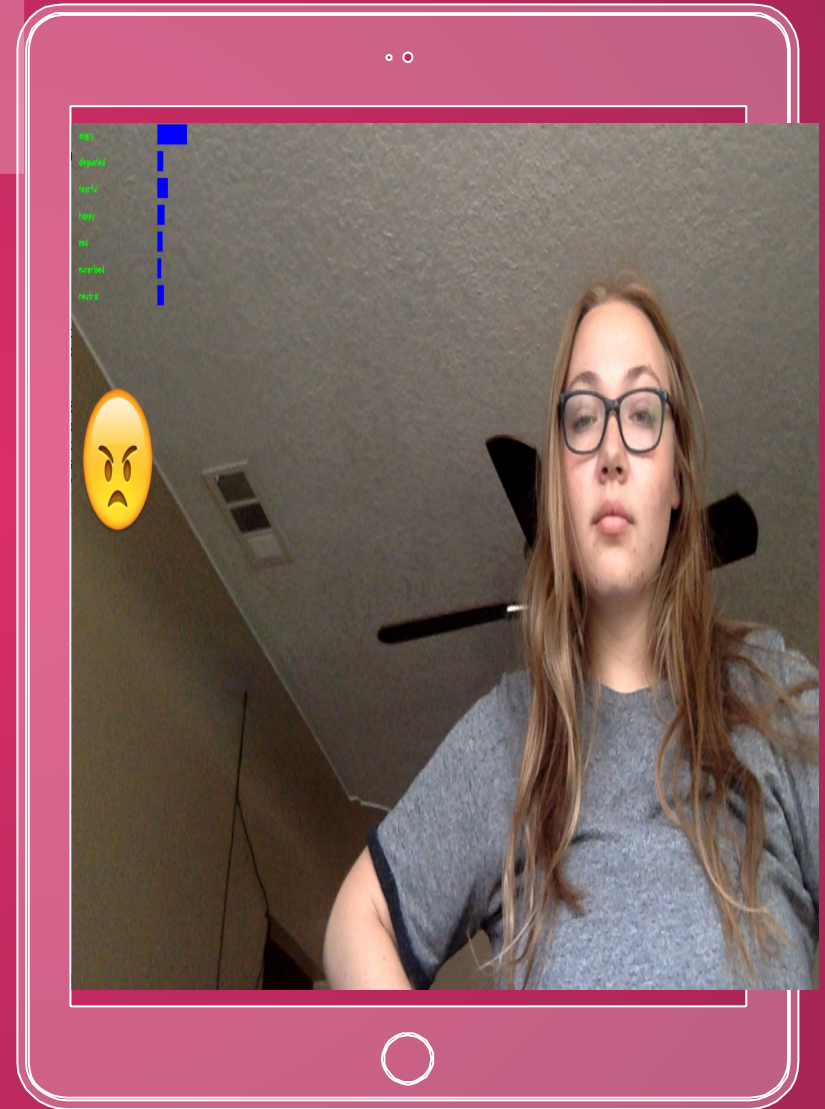
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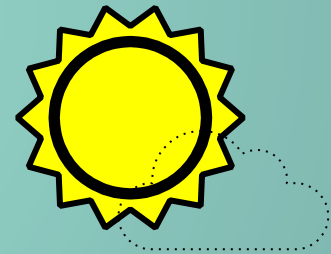
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