# **Import Libraries**

```
# Enable TensorFlow Debug Mode
import tensorflow as tf
tf.data.experimental.enable debug mode()
# Essential Libraries
import numpy as np
import time
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# TensorFlow and Keras Modules
from tensorflow import keras
from tensorflow.keras import layers, models, regularizers, Input,
activations, optimizers, backend as K
from tensorflow.keras.utils import to categorical
from tensorflow.keras.activations import swish, gelu
from tensorflow.keras.layers import LeakyReLU
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import SGD
from tensorflow.keras.backend import sigmoid
# Dataset Handling
import tensorflow datasets as tfds
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
```

Task 1: Load the CIFAR-100 data set and select a subset to work with. The data set is already split into training and test sets.

```
'skyscraper', 'snail', 'snake', 'spider', 'squirrel', 'streetcar',
'sunflower', 'sweet_pepper', 'table',
    'tank', 'telephone', 'television', 'tiger', 'tractor', 'train',
'trout', 'tulip', 'turtle', 'wardrobe',
    'whale', 'willow tree', 'wolf', 'woman', 'worm'
# Select 10 specific classes from CIFAR-100
selected classes = ['apple', 'bus', 'dolphin', 'motorcycle', 'rabbit',
'skyscraper', 'snake', 'tiger', 'train', 'whale']
selected class indices = [cifar100 labels.index(cls) for cls in
selected classes]
# Extract images belonging to the selected classes from the dataset
selected train indices = np.isin(y train,
selected_class_indices).flatten()
selected test indices = np.isin(y_test,
selected class indices).flatten()
x_train_selected, y_train_selected = x_train[selected_train_indices],
y_train[selected_train_indices]
x test selected, y test selected = x test[selected test indices],
y test[selected test indices]
# Convert original class labels to new indices (0 to 9) for the
selected classes
class mapping = {old label: new label for new label, old label in
enumerate(selected class indices)}
y train selected = np.vectorize(class mapping.get)(y train selected)
y_test_selected = np.vectorize(class_mapping.get)(y_test_selected)
# Reduce dataset size (e.g., 300 images per class for training, 50 per
class for testing)
num_images_per_class_train = 300
num images per class test = 50
x_train_final, y_train_final = [], []
x test final, y test final = [], []
# Select the first 'num images per class' samples for each class
for cls in range(len(selected classes)):
    cls indices train = np.where(y train selected == cls)[0]
[:num images per class train]
   cls indices test = np.where(y test selected == cls)[0]
[:num images per class test]
   x train final.append(x train selected[cls indices train])
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y train final.append(y train selected[cls indices train])
    x test final.append(x test selected[cls indices test])
    y test final.append(y test selected[cls indices test])
# Convert lists to numpy arrays
x train final = np.concatenate(x train final, axis=0)
y_train_final = np.concatenate(y train final, axis=0)
x_{\text{test}} = \text{np.concatenate}(x_{\text{test}} = \text{final}, \text{axis} = 0)
y test final = np.concatenate(y test final, axis=0)
# Normalize image pixel values to the range [0,1]
x train final = x train final.astype('float32') / 255.0
x test final = x test final.astype('float32') / 255.0
# One-hot encode labels for training and testing sets
y train final = to categorical(y train final,
num classes=len(selected classes))
y test final = to categorical(y test final,
num classes=len(selected classes))
# Verify final dataset shape
print(f"Train Data Shape: {x train final.shape}, Train Labels:
{y train final.shape}")
print(f"Test Data Shape: {x test final.shape}, Test Labels:
{y test final.shape}")
Downloading data from https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar-100-
python.tar.gz
169001437/169001437 ——
                                       4s Ous/step
Train Data Shape: (3000, 32, 32, 3), Train Labels: (3000, 10)
Test Data Shape: (500, 32, 32, 3), Test Labels: (500, 10)
```

Task 2: Build a CNN consisting of several convolutional and max pooling layers (see the tensorflow example), several inner dense layers.

```
# Define the CNN model using an explicit Input layer
model = models.Sequential([
    layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer for 32x32 RGB
images

# First convolutional block
    layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
First convolutional layer with 32 filters
    layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Second convolutional layer
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling to reduce spatial
dimensions
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layers. Dropout (0.25), # Dropout to prevent overfitting
   # Second convolutional block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Third convolutional layer with 64 filters
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Fourth convolutional layer
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling layer
    layers.Dropout(0.25), # Dropout to prevent overfitting
   # Third convolutional block
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Fifth convolutional layer with 128 filters
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Sixth convolutional layer
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling layer
    layers.Dropout(0.25), # Dropout to reduce overfitting
   # Fully connected (dense) layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a single vector
   layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons
   layers.Dropout (0.5), # Dropout to further reduce overfitting
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
neurons (one per class) and softmax activation
1)
# Compile the model with Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
model.compile(optimizer='adam',
             loss='categorical crossentropy',
             metrics=['accuracy'])
# Print the model summary to visualize the architecture
model.summary()
Model: "sequential"
Layer (type)
                                       Output Shape
Param # |
conv2d (Conv2D)
                                       (None, 32, 32, 32)
896
conv2d 1 (Conv2D)
                                       (None, 32, 32, 32)
9,248
```

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max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)
                                     (None, 16, 16, 32)
dropout (Dropout)
                                      (None, 16, 16, 32)
                                     (None, 16, 16, 64)
 conv2d_2 (Conv2D)
18,496
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)
                                     (None, 16, 16, 64)
36,928
max pooling2d 1 (MaxPooling2D)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 64)
dropout 1 (Dropout)
                                     (None, 8, 8, 64)
0
conv2d_4 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 128)
73,856
 conv2d_5 (Conv2D)
                                     (None, 8, 8, 128)
147,584
max pooling2d 2 (MaxPooling2D)
                                     (None, 4, 4, 128)
 dropout_2 (Dropout)
                                     | (None, 4, 4, 128)
 flatten (Flatten)
                                      (None, 2048)
0
dense (Dense)
                                      (None, 512)
1,049,088
```

### Task 3: Train your CNN on the training set (extracted in task 1)

```
# Compile the model
model.compile(optimizer='adam', # Using Adam optimizer for adaptive
learning rate adjustment
              loss='categorical crossentropy', # Loss function for
multi-class classification
              metrics=['accuracy']) # Tracking accuracy as the
evaluation metric
# Train the model on the training dataset
history = model.fit(x train final, y train final, # Training data and
labels
                    epochs=25, # Number of training iterations over
the dataset
                    batch size=64, # Number of samples per gradient
update
                    validation data=(x test final, y test final)) #
Evaluate performance on the test set
Epoch 1/25
2/47 -
                        -- 18s 411ms/step - accuracy: 0.0664 - loss:
2.3085
                                          Traceback (most recent call
KeyboardInterrupt
last)
<ipython-input-4-f42d837cd3fc> in <cell line: 0>()
      6 # Train the model on the training dataset
----> 7 history = model.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final, # Training
data and labels
      8
                            epochs=25, # Number of training
```

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iterations over the dataset
                            batch size=64, # Number of samples per
gradient update
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/keras/src/utils/traceback util
s.py in error_handler(*args, **kwargs)
                filtered tb = None
    115
    116
                try:
--> 117
                    return fn(*args, **kwargs)
    118
                except Exception as e:
    119
                    filtered tb =
process traceback frames(e. traceback )
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/keras/src/backend/tensorflow/
trainer.py in fit(self, x, y, batch size, epochs, verbose, callbacks,
validation_split, validation_data, shuffle, class_weight,
sample weight, initial epoch, steps per epoch, validation steps,
validation batch size, validation freq)
                        for step, iterator in epoch iterator:
    369
    370
                            callbacks.on train batch begin(step)
--> 371
                            logs = self.train function(iterator)
                            callbacks.on train batch end(step, logs)
    372
    373
                            if self.stop training:
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/keras/src/backend/tensorflow/
trainer.py in function(iterator)
    217
                        iterator, (tf.data.Iterator,
tf.distribute.DistributedIterator)
    218
                    ):
--> 219
                        opt outputs = multi step on iterator(iterator)
    220
                        if not opt outputs.has value():
                            raise StopIteration
    221
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/util/traceba
ck utils.py in error handler(*args, **kwargs)
    148
            filtered tb = None
    149
            try:
--> 150
              return fn(*args, **kwargs)
    151
            except Exception as e:
    152
              filtered tb = process traceback frames(e. traceback )
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic_function/polymorphic_function.py in __call__(self, *args,
**kwds)
    831
    832
              with OptionalXlaContext(self. jit compile):
--> 833
                result = self. call(*args, **kwds)
    834
    835
              new tracing count =
self.experimental get tracing count()
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/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic_function/polymorphic_function.py in _call(self, *args, **kwds)
              # In this case we have not created variables on the
first call. So we can
    877
              # run the first trace but we should fail if variables
are created.
--> 878
              results = tracing compilation.call function(
    879
                  args, kwds, self._variable_creation_config
    880
              )
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic function/tracing compilation.py in call function(args, kwargs,
tracing options)
          bound args = function.function type.bind(*args, **kwargs)
    137
    138
          flat inputs =
function.function type.unpack inputs(bound_args)
--> 139
          return function. call flat( # pylint: disable=protected-
access
              flat inputs, captured inputs=function.captured inputs
    140
    141
          )
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic function/concrete function.py in call flat(self, tensor inputs,
captured inputs)
   1320
                and executing eagerly):
   1321
              # No tape is watching; skip to running the function.
-> 1322
              return self. inference function.call preflattened(args)
   1323
            forward backward =
self. select forward and backward functions(
   1324
                args,
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic function/atomic function.py in call preflattened(self, args)
          def call preflattened(self, args: Sequence[core.Tensor]) ->
Any:
            """Calls with flattened tensor inputs and returns the
    215
structured output."""
--> 216
            flat outputs = self.call flat(*args)
            return self.function_type.pack_output(flat_outputs)
    217
    218
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/polymo
rphic_function/atomic_function.py in call flat(self, *args)
    249
                with record.stop recording():
    250
                  if self. bound context.executing eagerly():
--> 251
                    outputs = self. bound context.call function(
    252
                        self.name,
    253
                        list(args),
```

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/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/contex
t.py in call function(self, name, tensor inputs, num outputs)
   1681
            cancellation context = cancellation.context()
   1682
            if cancellation context is None:
-> 1683
              outputs = execute.execute(
   1684
                  name.decode("utf-8"),
   1685
                  num outputs=num outputs,
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/tensorflow/python/eager/execut
e.py in quick_execute(op_name, num_outputs, inputs, attrs, ctx, name)
     51
          try:
     52
            ctx.ensure initialized()
            tensors = pywrap tfe.TFE Py Execute(ctx. handle,
device name, op name,
     54
                                                inputs, attrs,
num outputs)
          except core. NotOkStatusException as e:
     55
KeyboardInterrupt:
```

# Task 4: Evaluate your trained model using the test data set. What is the accuracy of your model?

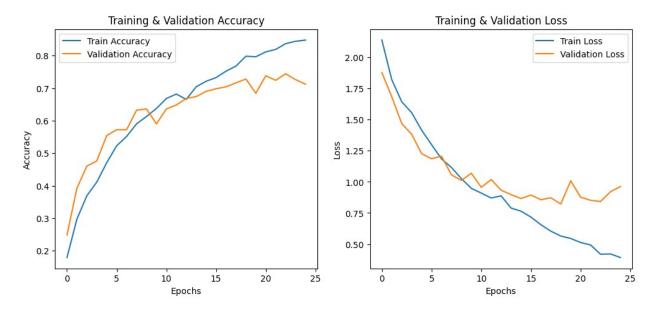
```
# Evaluate the model
test_loss, test_accuracy = model.evaluate(x_test_final, y_test_final)
# Print accuracy
print(f"Test Accuracy: {test_accuracy * 100:.2f}%")
16/16 _______ 2s 51ms/step - accuracy: 0.7417 - loss:
0.9077
Test Accuracy: 71.20%
```

Task 4.1: Plotting training and validation accuracy

```
# Plot training & validation accuracy
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5)) # Set figure size for better visibility

# Subplot 1: Training and validation accuracy
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1) # Create first subplot (1 row, 2 columns,
position 1)
plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'], label='Train Accuracy') # Plot
training accuracy
plt.plot(history.history['val_accuracy'], label='Validation Accuracy')
# Plot validation accuracy
plt.xlabel('Epochs') # Label for x-axis
plt.ylabel('Accuracy') # Label for y-axis
plt.legend() # Display legend
plt.title('Training & Validation Accuracy') # Title of the plot
```

```
# Subplot 2: Training and validation loss
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2) # Create second subplot (1 row, 2 columns,
position 2)
plt.plot(history.history['loss'], label='Train Loss') # Plot training
loss
plt.plot(history.history['val_loss'], label='Validation Loss') # Plot
validation loss
plt.xlabel('Epochs') # Label for x-axis
plt.ylabel('Loss') # Label for y-axis
plt.legend() # Display legend
plt.title('Training & Validation Loss') # Title of the plot
# Display the plots
plt.show()
```



#### Task 4 Conclusion:

The CNN model trained on a subset of CIFAR-100 achieved a test accuracy of 71 20%, demonstrating its ability to generalize well to unseen data. This result indicates that the model is effectively learning distinguishing features from the selected 10 classes despite the limited training data. The chosen architecture, consisting of multiple convolutional layers, dropout regularization, and fully connected layers, played a key role in achieving this performance.

## Task 5: Do the following experiments to improve accuracy:

Task 5.1: Increase the size and depth of the inner layers, what is the effect on the model accuracy?

```
Task 5.1.1: Defining a deep and optimized CNN model
```

```
# Define a deeper and optimized CNN model
model_v2 = models.Sequential([
```

```
layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Explicit Input layer
specifying the input shape
   # First Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
First convolution layer with 64 filters
    layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations for stable
training
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Second convolution layer
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Reduce spatial dimensions
(downsampling)
    layers. Dropout (0.2), # Prevent overfitting by randomly dropping
connections
   # Second Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
First convolution layer with 128 filters
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Second convolution layer
    layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   layers.Dropout(0.3), # Higher dropout rate to further prevent
overfitting
   # Third Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
First convolution layer with 256 filters
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Second convolution layer
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   layers.Dropout(0.4), # Increase dropout rate for more
regularization
   # Fourth Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(512, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
First convolution layer with 512 filters
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
    layers.Conv2D(512, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Second convolution layer
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   layers.Dropout(0.4), # Maintain high dropout to reduce
overfitting
   # Fully Connected Layers
```

```
layers.Flatten(), # Flatten the feature maps into a 1D vector for
classification
   layers.Dense(512, activation='relu',
kernel regularizer=regularizers.l2(0.001)), # First dense layer with
L2 regularization
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers. Dropout (0.4), # Dropout for regularization
   layers.Dense(256, activation='relu',
kernel_regularizer=regularizers.l2(0.001)), # Second dense layer with
L2 regularization
   layers.BatchNormalization(), # Normalize activations
   layers.Dropout(0.3), # Dropout for regularization
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
])
Task 5.1.2: Model Compilation
# Compile the model with a lower learning rate
model v2.compile(optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(learning rate=0.00
05),
                 loss='categorical crossentropy',
                 metrics=['accuracy'])
# Print the model summary
model v2.summary()
Model: "sequential 1"
Layer (type)
                                       Output Shape
Param #
 conv2d 6 (Conv2D)
                                        (None, 32, 32, 64)
1,792
 batch normalization
                                        (None, 32, 32, 64)
256
  (BatchNormalization)
 conv2d_7 (Conv2D)
                                        (None, 32, 32, 64)
36,928
```

```
batch_normalization 1
                                      (None, 32, 32, 64)
256
 (BatchNormalization)
 max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2D)
                                      (None, 16, 16, 64)
0
dropout_4 (Dropout)
                                      (None, 16, 16, 64)
0
 conv2d 8 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 16, 16, 128)
73,856
batch normalization 2
                                      (None, 16, 16, 128)
512
 (BatchNormalization)
 conv2d_9 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 16, 16, 128)
147,584
batch_normalization_3
                                      (None, 16, 16, 128)
512
 (BatchNormalization)
 max pooling2d 4 (MaxPooling2D)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 128)
dropout 5 (Dropout)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 128)
0
 conv2d_10 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 256)
295,168
                                      (None, 8, 8, 256)
batch_normalization_4
1,024
```

```
(BatchNormalization)
 conv2d 11 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 8, 8, 256)
590,080
 batch normalization 5
                                       (None, 8, 8, 256)
1,024
  (BatchNormalization)
 max_pooling2d_5 (MaxPooling2D)
                                      (None, 4, 4, 256)
0 |
 dropout 6 (Dropout)
                                       (None, 4, 4, 256)
 conv2d 12 (Conv2D)
                                      (None, 4, 4, 512)
1,180,160
  batch_normalization 6
                                       (None, 4, 4, 512)
2,048
  (BatchNormalization)
                                       (None, 4, 4, 512)
 conv2d 13 (Conv2D)
2,359,808
 batch normalization 7
                                       (None, 4, 4, 512)
2,048
  (BatchNormalization)
 max_pooling2d_6 (MaxPooling2D)
                                      (None, 2, 2, 512)
0
 dropout 7 (Dropout)
                                       (None, 2, 2, 512)
```

```
flatten_1 (Flatten)
                                       (None, 2048)
0
 dense_2 (Dense)
                                        (None, 512)
1,049,088
  batch normalization 8
                                         (None, 512)
2,048
  (BatchNormalization)
 dropout 8 (Dropout)
                                        (None, 512)
 dense_3 (Dense)
                                        (None, 256)
131,328
  batch normalization 9
                                        (None, 256)
1,024
  (BatchNormalization)
                                        (None, 256)
 dropout_9 (Dropout)
0
 dense_4 (Dense)
                                         (None, 10)
2,570
Total params: 5,879,114 (22.43 MB)
Trainable params: 5,873,738 (22.41 MB)
Non-trainable params: 5,376 (21.00 KB)
```

Task 5.1.3: Training and evaluating the model

```
y test final))
# Evaluate the optimized model
test loss_v2, test_accuracy_v2 = model_v2.evaluate(x_test_final,
y test final)
print(f"Test Accuracy after optimizations: {test accuracy v2 *
100:.2f}%")
Epoch 1/25
                34s 354ms/step - accuracy: 0.2107 - loss:
47/47 ———
3.8616 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 4.1013
Epoch 2/25
47/47 ______ 2s 43ms/step - accuracy: 0.4387 - loss:
2.8646 - val accuracy: 0.1020 - val loss: 5.4558
Epoch 3/25
             ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.4989 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.6538 - val accuracy: 0.1180 - val loss: 6.5186
Epoch 4/25
             ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.5383 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.4526 - val accuracy: 0.1420 - val loss: 5.6900
Epoch 5/25
                ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.5751 - loss:
47/47 -
2.3039 - val accuracy: 0.1440 - val loss: 6.0478
Epoch 6/25
                  2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.5822 - loss:
2.2699 - val_accuracy: 0.1240 - val loss: 5.7831
Epoch 7/25
                    2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.6141 - loss:
47/47 —
2.1741 - val_accuracy: 0.2340 - val_loss: 4.4581
2.0428 - val accuracy: 0.3000 - val loss: 3.6742
1.9326 - val accuracy: 0.3280 - val loss: 3.5696
Epoch 10/25
               ______ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.6907 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.8975 - val_accuracy: 0.3980 - val_loss: 3.3232
Epoch 11/25
               ______ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.7274 - loss:
47/47 -----
1.8306 - val accuracy: 0.4580 - val loss: 2.7465
Epoch 12/25
                  _____ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.7399 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.7399 - val_accuracy: 0.4720 - val_loss: 2.5789
Epoch 13/25
                 _____ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.7432 - loss:
47/47 —
1.7006 - val accuracy: 0.6740 - val loss: 1.9054
Epoch 14/25
                ______ 2s 43ms/step - accuracy: 0.7749 - loss:
47/47 –
```

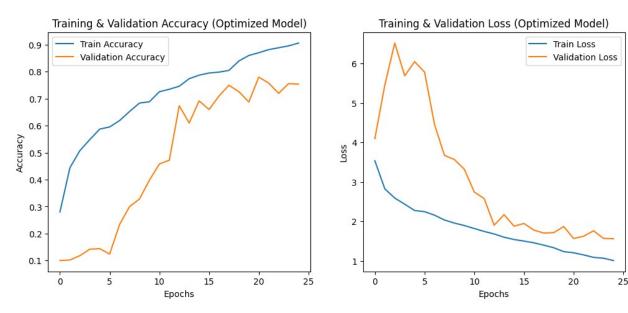
```
1.6031 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 2.1729
Epoch 15/25
                  ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.8018 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.5193 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 1.8821
Epoch 16/25
                   ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.8120 - loss:
47/47 –
1.4614 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 1.9495
Epoch 17/25
                     2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.7950 - loss:
47/47 —
1.4792 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 1.7814
Epoch 18/25
47/47 —
                     2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.8103 - loss:
1.3928 - val accuracy: 0.7500 - val loss: 1.7064
Epoch 19/25
                 _____ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.8332 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.3509 - val accuracy: 0.7260 - val loss: 1.7178
Epoch 20/25
              ______ 2s 43ms/step - accuracy: 0.8716 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.2139 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 1.8719
Epoch 21/25
                 ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.8814 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.1906 - val accuracy: 0.7800 - val loss: 1.5686
Epoch 22/25
                     2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.8779 - loss:
47/47 —
1.1513 - val_accuracy: 0.7580 - val_loss: 1.6255
Epoch 23/25
                     2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.8931 - loss:
47/47 -
1.0843 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.7650
Epoch 24/25
                  _____ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.9038 - loss:
47/47 —
1.0541 - val accuracy: 0.7560 - val loss: 1.5717
Epoch 25/25
               ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.9080 - loss:
47/47 -----
1.0032 - val accuracy: 0.7540 - val loss: 1.5644
                 _____ 3s 112ms/step - accuracy: 0.7704 - loss:
16/16 -
1.5366
Test Accuracy after optimizations: 75.40%
```

Task 5.1.4: Plotting the training and validation accuracy

```
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5))

plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
plt.plot(history_v2.history['accuracy'], label='Train Accuracy')
plt.plot(history_v2.history['val_accuracy'], label='Validation
Accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
plt.legend()
plt.title('Training & Validation Accuracy (Optimized Model)')
```

```
# Plot the training & validation loss
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
plt.plot(history_v2.history['loss'], label='Train Loss')
plt.plot(history_v2.history['val_loss'], label='Validation Loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.legend()
plt.title('Training & Validation Loss (Optimized Model)')
plt.show()
```



Task 5.1. Conlusion:

The optimized CNN model achieved a test accuracy of 75.40%, marking a 4.2% improvement over the previous version. This enhancement can be attributed to several key modifications, including increased model depth, batch normalization, higher dropout rates, and L2 regularization, all of which contributed to better generalization and reduced overfitting. The addition of 512 and 256-unit dense layers further strengthened feature extraction, while a lower learning rate of 0.0005 allowed for more stable convergence.

# Task 5.2: Use fewer or more convolutional/maxpooling layers and different shapes, what is the effect?

### 5.2.1: Using a Simple CNN which is a model with fewer layers

```
# Define a shallower CNN model
model_simple = models.Sequential([
    layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer defining the shape
of input images

# First Convolutional Block (Reduced Filters)
```

```
layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 32 filters
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling to reduce spatial
dimensions
   # Second Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 64 filters
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
   layers.Dense(128, activation='relu'), # Dense layer with 128
   layers.Dropout(0.3), # Dropout for regularization
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
1)
# Compile the model with Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model simple.compile(optimizer='adam',
                     loss='categorical crossentropy',
                     metrics=['accuracy'])
# Record the start time for training
start time = time.time()
# Train the shallow model
history simple = model simple.fit(x train final, y train final,
                                  epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                                  batch size=64, # Mini-batch size of
64
                                  validation data=(x test final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Record the end time after training
end time = time.time()
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss simple, test accuracy simple =
model simple.evaluate(x_test_final, y_test_final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Shallow Model): {test accuracy simple *
100:.2f}%") # Print test accuracy
# Calculate and display the total training time
training time = end time - start time
print(f"Training Time: {training_time:.2f} seconds")
```

```
2.0703 - val accuracy: 0.4840 - val loss: 1.4479
1.5268 - val accuracy: 0.6080 - val loss: 1.2066
Epoch 3/25
          _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.5362 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.2925 - val accuracy: 0.6300 - val loss: 1.1242
Epoch 4/25
1.1349 - val_accuracy: 0.6500 - val_loss: 1.0242
Epoch 5/25
               _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.6341 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.0291 - val_accuracy: 0.6600 - val_loss: 0.9727
Epoch 6/25

1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.6505 - loss:
0.9973 - val_accuracy: 0.6640 - val_loss: 0.9539
Epoch 7/25

1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.6476 - loss:
0.9296 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 0.9609
Epoch 8/25
47/47 ______ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.6789 - loss:
0.8764 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val loss: 0.8861
0.7968 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 0.8642
Epoch 10/25
              _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.7258 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.7509 - val_accuracy: 0.6800 - val_loss: 0.8629
Epoch 11/25
              _____ 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.7788 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.6524 - val_accuracy: 0.6980 - val loss: 0.8723
Epoch 12/25

1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7800 - loss:
0.6204 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.8356
0.6141 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 0.8457
Epoch 14/25
47/47 ______ 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8001 - loss:
0.5334 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 0.8877
Epoch 15/25 47/47 ______ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.8049 - loss:
0.5344 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.8662
Epoch 16/25
             _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.8273 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.4697 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.8896
Epoch 17/25
47/47 ______ 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8470 - loss:
```

```
0.4270 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 0.8625
Epoch 18/25
                   _____ 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8751 - loss:
47/47 —
0.3762 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 0.9254
Epoch 19/25
                     ---- 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8723 - loss:
47/47 -
0.3675 - val accuracy: 0.7080 - val loss: 0.9518
Epoch 20/25
47/47 -
                      --- 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8944 - loss:
0.3288 - val accuracy: 0.6980 - val loss: 0.9751
Epoch 21/25
47/47 —
                        — 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.8976 - loss:
0.2935 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 0.9093
Epoch 22/25
47/47 —
                   _____ 1s 19ms/step - accuracy: 0.9087 - loss:
0.2657 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 0.9594
Epoch 23/25
                  _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.9193 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.2400 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9565
Epoch 24/25
47/47 —
                   _____ 1s 18ms/step - accuracy: 0.9288 - loss:
0.2296 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 0.9849
Epoch 25/25
47/47 —
                       --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9296 - loss:
0.2208 - val_accuracy: 0.7080 - val_loss: 0.9675
16/16 -
                 _____ 1s 34ms/step - accuracy: 0.7564 - loss:
0.7894
Test Accuracy (Shallow Model): 70.80%
Training Time: 27.06 seconds
```

#### Task 5.2.1 Conclusion:

The shallow CNN model achieved a test accuracy of 70.80%, which is lower than the 75.40% attained by the deeper, optimized model. This drop in accuracy is expected, as the simpler architecture has fewer convolutional layers i.e. only two blocks, reduced filter sizes i.e. max 64 filters, and a single dense layer i.e. 128 neurons. However, it trained significantly faster which is in 27.06 seconds, making it computationally more efficient. While this model is quicker, it lacks the depth and complexity needed to extract richer hierarchical features from the image data. The absence of batch normalization and L2 regularization may have also contributed to slightly lower generalization performance. However, for scenarios requiring faster training with limited computational resources, this shallower model still provides a reasonable baseline.

Task 5.2.2: Using a Deeper CNN which is a model with more layers

```
# Define a deeper CNN model
model_deep = models.Sequential([
    layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer
# First Conv Block
```

```
layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
    # Second Conv Block
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
    # Third Conv Block
    layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
    layers.Flatten(),
    layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'),
    layers.Dropout(0.4),
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # 10 classes
])
# Compile the deeper model
model deep.compile(optimizer='adam',
                   loss='categorical crossentropy',
                   metrics=['accuracy'])
start time = time.time()
# Train the deep model
history deep = model deep.fit(x train_final, y_train_final,
                              epochs=25,
                              batch size=64,
                              validation data=(x test final,
y test final))
end time = time.time()
# Evaluate
test loss deep, test accuracy deep = model deep.evaluate(x test final,
y test final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Deeper Model): {test accuracy deep * 100:.2f}
%")
# Calculate training time
training time = end time - start time
print(f"Training Time: {training_time:.2f} seconds")
Epoch 1/25
                   _____ 11s 121ms/step - accuracy: 0.1636 - loss:
47/47 <del>---</del>
2.2269 - val accuracy: 0.2900 - val loss: 1.8000
Epoch 2/25
```

```
47/47 ———
              _____ 2s 35ms/step - accuracy: 0.2936 - loss:
1.7587 - val accuracy: 0.3680 - val loss: 1.5648
Epoch 3/25
                _____ 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.3950 - loss:
47/47 —
1.5821 - val accuracy: 0.5220 - val loss: 1.3482
1.4440 - val accuracy: 0.5020 - val loss: 1.3415
1.3373 - val accuracy: 0.5200 - val loss: 1.2124
1.2117 - val accuracy: 0.5920 - val loss: 1.1434
Epoch 7/25
47/47
         ______ 2s 32ms/step - accuracy: 0.6037 - loss:
1.0951 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 0.9871
Epoch 8/25
                _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.6423 - loss:
0.9914 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9942
Epoch 9/25
               _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.6441 - loss:
47/47 —
0.9410 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 0.9266
Epoch 10/25

15 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.6846 - loss:
0.8637 - val accuracy: 0.6680 - val loss: 0.9319
Epoch 11/25 47/47 ______ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.7092 - loss:
0.7798 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 0.8622
0.6621 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.8841
Epoch 13/25
              _____ 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.7956 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.5730 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 0.8525
Epoch 14/25
               _____ 1s 31ms/step - accuracy: 0.8151 - loss:
47/47 ---
0.5140 - val accuracy: 0.6680 - val loss: 0.9536
Epoch 15/25
             _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.8352 - loss:
47/47 —
0.4611 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 0.9166
Epoch 16/25

15 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.8444 - loss:
0.3860 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 1.1224
0.3571 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.1047
Epoch 18/25
47/47 -
               _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.8890 - loss:
```

```
0.3041 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val loss: 1.0392
Epoch 19/25
                  _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9344 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1985 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 1.1193
Epoch 20/25
                    _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9367 - loss:
47/47 -
0.1827 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val loss: 1.2851
Epoch 21/25
                      --- 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9071 - loss:
47/47 –
0.2393 - val accuracy: 0.7280 - val loss: 1.4354
Epoch 22/25
                _____ 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.9362 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1789 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val_loss: 1.2300
Epoch 23/25
                  _____ 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.9589 - loss:
47/47 -
0.1289 - val accuracy: 0.6980 - val_loss: 1.2968
Epoch 24/25
                ______ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9509 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1371 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 1.6678
Epoch 25/25
                     ---- 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9581 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1151 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.5761
                  _____ 1s 37ms/step - accuracy: 0.7503 - loss:
16/16 -
1.3558
Test Accuracy (Deeper Model): 72.00%
Training Time: 45.41 seconds
```

#### Task 5.2.2: Conclusion

The deeper CNN model achieved a test accuracy of 72.00%, which is an improvement over the shallow model (70.00%) but still lower than the optimized CNN model (75.40%). This suggests that while adding more convolutional layers improves feature extraction, the model may not be fully optimized for generalization. One possible reason for this could be the absence of batch normalization and L2 regularization, which help stabilize training and reduce overfitting. Additionally, the training time of 45.41 seconds indicates that the model is computationally more expensive than the shallow version.

Task 5.3: Experiment with different activation functions in the inner layers and in the convolutional layers (relu, sigmoid, softmask, etc), see the list of keras activations at

https://keras.io/api/layers/activations/

Task 5.3.1: Experimenting with Relu activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using ReLU activation
model_relu = models.Sequential([
         Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer defining the shape of
input images
```

```
# First Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 64 filters and ReLU activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling layer to reduce
spatial dimensions
    # Second Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 128 filters
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
    # Third Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 256 filters
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
    # Fully Connected Layers
    layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
    layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons and ReLU activation
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
model_relu.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical_crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history relu = model relu.fit(x train final, y train final,
                             epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                             batch_size=64, # Mini-batch size of 64
                             validation data=(x test final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss relu, test accuracy relu = model relu.evaluate(x test final,
y_test_final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (ReLU - Baseline): {test accuracy relu *
100:.2f}%") # Print test accuracy
Epoch 1/25
             6s 64ms/step - accuracy: 0.2262 - loss:
2.0570 - val accuracy: 0.3760 - val loss: 1.6393
Epoch 2/25
                  _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.3902 - loss:
47/47 —
1.5676 - val_accuracy: 0.5700 - val_loss: 1.1890
Epoch 3/25
```

```
47/47 ———
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5351 - loss:
1.2591 - val accuracy: 0.5960 - val loss: 1.1369
Epoch 4/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6010 - loss:
47/47 —
1.0690 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val loss: 1.0203
Epoch 5/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6428 - loss:
0.9742 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 0.9650
Epoch 6/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6745 - loss:
0.8482 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 0.8961
0.7386 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 0.8910
Epoch 8/25
47/47 ———
              1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.7782 - loss:
0.6157 - val accuracy: 0.6340 - val loss: 1.1008
Epoch 9/25
                 _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7977 - loss:
0.5530 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 0.9254
Epoch 10/25
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8504 - loss:
47/47 -
0.4197 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 0.9624
Epoch 11/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8470 - loss:
0.4100 - val accuracy: 0.7320 - val loss: 0.9002
Epoch 12/25 47/47 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9156 - loss:
0.2409 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 1.0761
0.1867 - val_accuracy: 0.6960 - val_loss: 1.0580
Epoch 14/25
              _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.9365 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1793 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.0419
Epoch 15/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9546 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1396 - val accuracy: 0.7400 - val loss: 1.1145
Epoch 16/25
              _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9742 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0807 - val accuracy: 0.7480 - val loss: 1.0790
0.0996 - val accuracy: 0.7380 - val loss: 1.2609
0.0826 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 1.2733
Epoch 19/25
           _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9942 - loss:
47/47 -
```

```
0.0319 - val accuracy: 0.7400 - val loss: 1.3316
Epoch 20/25
                   _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.9967 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.0224 - val accuracy: 0.7500 - val loss: 1.3371
Epoch 21/25
                      —— 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.9985 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0138 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 1.4032
Epoch 22/25
                       --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0073 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 1.5190
Epoch 23/25
                         — 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0045 - val accuracy: 0.7380 - val loss: 1.6150
Epoch 24/25
47/47 -
                   _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
0.0024 - val accuracy: 0.7480 - val loss: 1.6247
Epoch 25/25
                  _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0016 - val accuracy: 0.7360 - val loss: 1.6732
                      --- 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.7663 - loss:
1.4330
Test Accuracy (ReLU - Baseline): 73.60%
```

#### Task 5.3.1 Conlusion:

The ReLU-based CNN model achieved a test accuracy of 73.60%, which is an improvement over the shallow model (70.80%) and the deeper model (72.00%), though still slightly lower than the optimized model (75.40%). This performance gain can be attributed to the balanced architecture, which includes three convolutional blocks with max pooling, a fully connected layer with 512 neurons, and the efficient use of ReLU activation to mitigate the vanishing gradient problem. The model strikes a balance between depth and computational efficiency, allowing it to learn meaningful hierarchical features without excessive complexity. However, the lack of batch normalization and dropout layers might limit generalization, making it more prone to overfitting compared to the optimized model.

Task 5.3.2: Experimenting with Sigmoid activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using Sigmoid activation
model_sigmoid = models.Sequential([
    Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer defining the shape of
input images

# First Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='sigmoid', padding='same'),
# Convolution layer with 64 filters and Sigmoid activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling layer to reduce
spatial dimensions

# Second Convolutional Block
layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='sigmoid', padding='same'),
```

```
# Convolution layer with 128 filters
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   # Third Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='sigmoid', padding='same'),
# Convolution layer with 256 filters
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
   layers.Dense(512, activation='sigmoid'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons and Sigmoid activation
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
1)
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model sigmoid.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='categorical crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history sigmoid = model sigmoid.fit(x train final, y train final,
                                   epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                                   batch size=64, # Mini-batch size
of 64
                                   validation data=(x test final,
y_test_final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss sigmoid, test accuracy sigmoid =
model sigmoid.evaluate(x test final, y test final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Sigmoid): {test accuracy sigmoid * 100:.2f}%")
# Print test accuracy
Epoch 1/25
47/47 6s 73ms/step - accuracy: 0.1039 - loss:
3.0110 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3134
Epoch 2/25
            _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1038 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3137 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3195
Epoch 3/25
47/47 ______ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1087 - loss:
2.3235 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3213
Epoch 4/25
                     ____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0998 - loss:
2.3224 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3236
Epoch 5/25
                     --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1000 - loss:
47/47 —
2.3178 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3137
```

```
Epoch 6/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0966 - loss:
2.3220 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3197
2.3283 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3094
Epoch 8/25
          _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.0883 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3195 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3147
Epoch 9/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0905 - loss:
2.3241 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3103
Epoch 10/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1088 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3306 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3295
Epoch 11/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1027 - loss:
2.3263 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3140
Epoch 12/25

15 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.1013 - loss:
2.3187 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3209
2.3222 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3224
2.3238 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3183
Epoch 15/25
               _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.0899 - loss:
47/47 -----
2.3196 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3141
Epoch 16/25
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0794 - loss:
47/47 —
2.3188 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3184
Epoch 17/25

1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.1007 - loss:
2.3267 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3176
2.3219 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3178
Epoch 19/25
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.0872 - loss:
2.3237 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3251
Epoch 20/25 47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.0950 - loss:
2.3242 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3219
Epoch 21/25
         ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0995 - loss:
47/47 -----
2.3197 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3345
Epoch 22/25
```

```
47/47 -
                         — 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1038 - loss:
2.3235 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3206
Epoch 23/25
47/47 -
                       --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.0912 - loss:
2.3335 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3175
Epoch 24/25
47/47 -
                         — 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1093 - loss:
2.3157 - val accuracy: 0.1340 - val loss: 2.3139
Epoch 25/25
                   _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1055 - loss:
47/47 —
2.3240 - val accuracy: 0.1120 - val loss: 2.3061
                       —— 1s 50ms/step - accuracy: 0.2906 - loss:
2.1977
Test Accuracy (Sigmoid): 11.20%
```

#### Task 5.3.2 Conclusion:

The CNN model using Sigmoid activation performed significantly worse than the other models, achieving a test accuracy of only 11.20%, compared to 73.60% with ReLU, 70.80% with the shallow model, and 72.00% with the deeper model. This drastic drop in accuracy is expected due to the inherent limitations of the Sigmoid activation function in deep networks. Sigmoid suffers from the vanishing gradient problem, where activations get squashed into a narrow range (0,1), leading to extremely small gradients in deeper layers. This slows down learning and prevents effective weight updates. Additionally, Sigmoid activations can saturate, meaning neurons become stuck with near-zero gradients, making it difficult for the model to learn meaningful features. Another drawback is that Sigmoid is not zero-centered, which can cause inefficient weight updates and slower convergence. As a result, the model struggles to extract relevant patterns from the data and ends up making near-random predictions, explaining the low accuracy. A clear takeaway is that ReLU (or its variants like LeakyReLU and ELU) is far better suited for deep CNNs, as it mitigates these issues and allows for more effective learning.

Task 5.3.3: Experimenting with Tanh activation function

```
layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation='tanh', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 256 filters
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
   layers.Dense(512, activation='tanh'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons and Tanh activation
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
model tanh.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history tanh = model_tanh.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final,
                            epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                            batch_size=64, # Mini-batch size of 64
                            validation data=(x test final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss tanh, test accuracy tanh = model tanh.evaluate(x test final,
y_test_final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Tanh): {test accuracy tanh * 100:.2f}%") #
Print test accuracy
Epoch 1/25
2.2856 - val accuracy: 0.5380 - val_loss: 1.2695
Epoch 2/25
            _____ 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.5691 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.2204 - val accuracy: 0.5960 - val loss: 1.1216
Epoch 3/25
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.6075 - loss:
1.0832 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.0823
Epoch 4/25
                  _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.6619 - loss:
0.9462 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 0.9629
Epoch 5/25
47/47 —
                     --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7159 - loss:
0.8278 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 0.8900
Epoch 6/25
          _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.7538 - loss:
47/47 -
0.7023 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.8682
Epoch 7/25
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8289 - loss:
47/47 —
```

```
0.5191 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 0.8859
Epoch 8/25
              _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8597 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.4379 - val accuracy: 0.7080 - val loss: 0.8435
Epoch 9/25
47/47 ———
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9159 - loss:
0.2753 - val_accuracy: 0.7240 - val loss: 0.9029
Epoch 10/25
                  _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9397 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.1985 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 0.9133
Epoch 11/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9635 - loss:
0.1316 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 0.9913
Epoch 12/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9832 - loss:
0.0773 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.0384
Epoch 13/25 47/47 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.9958 - loss:
0.0380 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.0310
Epoch 14/25
           _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.9956 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.0280 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.0405
Epoch 15/25
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9995 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.0140 - val accuracy: 0.7340 - val loss: 1.0332
Epoch 16/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9981 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0132 - val accuracy: 0.7320 - val loss: 1.1037
Epoch 17/25

1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
0.0064 - val accuracy: 0.7380 - val loss: 1.0857
0.0043 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 1.1411
0.0030 - val accuracy: 0.7280 - val loss: 1.1360
Epoch 20/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
0.0024 - val accuracy: 0.7340 - val loss: 1.1633
Epoch 21/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0020 - val_accuracy: 0.7300 - val_loss: 1.1614
Epoch 22/25
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0018 - val_accuracy: 0.7300 - val_loss: 1.1726
0.0016 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 1.1896
```

#### Task 5.3.3 Conlusion:

The CNN model using Tanh activation achieved a test accuracy of 73.00%, which is slightly lower than the 73.60% obtained with ReLU but still significantly better than the 11.20% from Sigmoid. Unlike Sigmoid, Tanh is zero-centered, meaning it allows both positive and negative activations, leading to more balanced weight updates during training. However, Tanh still suffers from the vanishing gradient problem, especially in deeper networks, where gradients can shrink as they propagate backward, slowing down learning. Compared to ReLU, which avoids this issue by allowing unrestricted positive outputs, Tanh limits activations within the range (-1,1), potentially reducing the model's ability to learn complex hierarchical features. While Tanh can be useful in shallow networks or when working with centered data, ReLU remains the preferred choice for deep CNNs due to its efficiency and ability to avoid saturation.

Task 5.3.4: Experimenting with LeakyReLU activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using LeakyReLU activation
model leakyrelu = models.Sequential([
    layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer defining the shape
of input images
   # First Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=None, padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with 64 filters (no activation yet)
   LeakyReLU(negative slope=0.01), # Apply LeakyReLU activation
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=None, padding='same'), #
Another convolution layer
   LeakyReLU(negative slope=0.01), # Apply LeakyReLU activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling to reduce spatial
dimensions
   layers. Dropout(0.2), # Dropout layer to prevent overfitting
   # Second Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=None, padding='same'), #
Convolution with 128 filters
   LeakyReLU(negative_slope=0.01), # Apply LeakyReLU activation
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=None, padding='same'),
Another convolution layer
   LeakyReLU(negative slope=0.01), # Apply LeakyReLU activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
    layers.Dropout(0.3), # Dropout layer
```

```
# Fully Connected Layers
    layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
    layers.Dense(512, activation=None), # Fully connected layer with
512 neurons (no activation yet)
    LeakyReLU(negative slope=0.01), # Apply LeakyReLU activation
    layers.Dropout(0.5), # Dropout layer
    # Output laver
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
1)
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model leakyrelu.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history_leakyrelu = model_leakyrelu.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final,
                                       epochs=25, # Train for 25
epochs
                                        batch size=64, # Mini-batch
size of 64
                                       validation data=(x test final,
y_test_final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss, test acc = model leakyrelu.evaluate(x test final,
y test final, verbose=0)
print(f'Test Accuracy (LeakyReLU): {test acc * 100:.2f}%') # Print
test accuracy
Epoch 1/25
             _____ 11s 120ms/step - accuracy: 0.1740 - loss:
47/47 -----
2.1500 - val accuracy: 0.4540 - val loss: 1.4940
Epoch 2/25
                 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.4147 - loss:
47/47 <del>-</del>
1.5389 - val accuracy: 0.5480 - val loss: 1.2262
Epoch 3/25
                      --- 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5192 - loss:
47/47 —
1.3183 - val accuracy: 0.5600 - val loss: 1.1708
Epoch 4/25
47/47 —
                      --- 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.5510 - loss:
1.1865 - val accuracy: 0.5680 - val loss: 1.1488
Epoch 5/25
                   _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.5673 - loss:
47/47 —
1.1466 - val accuracy: 0.6320 - val loss: 1.0240
Epoch 6/25
                  _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.6536 - loss:
47/47 -
```

```
0.9442 - val accuracy: 0.6480 - val loss: 0.9103
Epoch 7/25
              _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7169 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.8014 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.8484
Epoch 8/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7363 - loss:
47/47 —
0.7249 - val_accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.8294
Epoch 9/25
                  _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7878 - loss:
47/47 ---
0.6096 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.9011
Epoch 10/25

15 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7966 - loss:
0.5467 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.9186
Epoch 11/25

1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8397 - loss:
0.4520 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 0.9383
Epoch 12/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8569 - loss:
0.3920 - val accuracy: 0.7240 - val loss: 0.9249
Epoch 13/25
           ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8799 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.3411 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 1.1058
Epoch 14/25
                 _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9038 - loss:
0.2804 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 1.0106
Epoch 15/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9151 - loss:
47/47 —
0.2434 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.1164
Epoch 16/25

1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9357 - loss:
0.2051 - val_accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 1.1888
0.1786 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 1.1712
0.2335 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 1.4291
Epoch 19/25
47/47 ———
           1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9497 - loss:
0.1514 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 1.2835
Epoch 20/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9594 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1026 - val_accuracy: 0.6980 - val_loss: 1.4550
Epoch 21/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9545 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1139 - val_accuracy: 0.7020 - val_loss: 1.3585
0.1372 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 1.3607
```

#### Task 5.3.4 Conclusion:

The CNN model using LeakyReLU activation achieved a test accuracy of 70.20%, which is lower than the 73.60% obtained with ReLU and 73.00% with Tanh but significantly better than the 11.20% from Sigmoid. LeakyReLU addresses the dying ReLU problem by allowing small negative values with a slope of 0.01, preventing neurons from becoming inactive. However, in this case, it did not outperform standard ReLU, likely due to factors such as suboptimal weight initialization, dropout rates, or model depth. The added dropout layers help prevent overfitting but may have also led to a slight reduction in accuracy. While LeakyReLU is often beneficial in deep networks with sparse activations, ReLU remains the stronger choice for this dataset due to its simplicity and effectiveness in learning complex features.

Task 5.3.5: Experimenting with ELU (Exponential Linear Unit) activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using ELU (Exponential Linear Unit) activation
model elu = models.Sequential([
   layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer specifying the
shape of input images
   # First Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='elu', padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with ELU activation
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='elu', padding='same'), #
Another convolution layer with ELU
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling to reduce spatial
dimensions
   layers.Dropout(0.2), # Dropout to reduce overfitting
   # Second Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='elu', padding='same'), #
Convolution with 128 filters using ELU
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='elu', padding='same'),
Another convolution layer with ELU
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
    layers.Dropout(0.3), # Dropout layer
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
   layers.Dense(512, activation='elu'), # Fully connected layer with
```

```
512 neurons using ELU activation
   layers.Dropout(0.5), # Dropout layer
   # Output layer
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model elu.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history elu = model elu.fit(x train final, y train final,
                            epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                            batch size=64, # Mini-batch size of 64
                            validation data=(x test final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss, test acc = model elu.evaluate(x test final, y test final,
verbose=0)
print(f'Test Accuracy (ELU): {test acc * 100:.2f}%') # Print test
accuracy
Epoch 1/25
                 ———— 10s 112ms/step - accuracy: 0.2768 - loss:
2.5933 - val accuracy: 0.5260 - val loss: 1.2811
Epoch 2/25
                     ——— 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.5244 - loss:
47/47 —
1.3008 - val accuracy: 0.5860 - val loss: 1.1680
Epoch 3/25
47/47 ---
                   _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.5916 - loss:
1.1452 - val accuracy: 0.6060 - val loss: 1.0587
Epoch 4/25
                _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.6728 - loss:
47/47 ——
0.9772 - val accuracy: 0.6000 - val loss: 1.1888
Epoch 5/25
           1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6702 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.9874 - val accuracy: 0.6220 - val loss: 0.9937
Epoch 6/25
           1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7411 - loss:
47/47 —
0.7336 - val accuracy: 0.6320 - val loss: 1.0215
Epoch 7/25
                  _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7609 - loss:
0.6743 - val accuracy: 0.6160 - val loss: 1.0768
Epoch 8/25
                      --- 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8080 - loss:
47/47 —
0.5439 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.1202
```

```
Epoch 9/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8259 - loss:
0.4717 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.1914
Epoch 10/25

15 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8622 - loss:
0.4069 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 1.1624
Epoch 11/25
            _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.8829 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.3358 - val accuracy: 0.6320 - val loss: 1.2723
Epoch 12/25
               _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9077 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.2668 - val_accuracy: 0.6420 - val_loss: 1.2823
Epoch 13/25
                 _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9211 - loss:
47/47 ——
0.2175 - val_accuracy: 0.6200 - val_loss: 1.3900
Epoch 14/25

1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9310 - loss:
0.1919 - val_accuracy: 0.6420 - val_loss: 1.4242
Epoch 15/25

15 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9449 - loss:
0.1513 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.6411
Epoch 16/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9445 - loss:
0.1531 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.7198
0.1599 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val_loss: 1.7364
Epoch 18/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9499 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.1460 - val_accuracy: 0.6520 - val_loss: 1.8542
Epoch 19/25
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9575 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1192 - val_accuracy: 0.6300 - val_loss: 2.0543
Epoch 20/25

1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9563 - loss:
0.1462 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 1.8002
0.1750 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val loss: 1.9181
Epoch 22/25
47/47 ______ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9366 - loss:
0.1965 - val accuracy: 0.6160 - val loss: 2.3662
Epoch 23/25 47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9396 - loss:
0.1762 - val accuracy: 0.6120 - val loss: 2.1189
Epoch 24/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9319 - loss:
0.2395 - val accuracy: 0.6240 - val loss: 2.3571
Epoch 25/25
```

### Task 5.3.5: Conclusion

The CNN model using ELU activation achieved a test accuracy of 64.20%, which is lower than ReLU (73.60%), Tanh (73.00%), and LeakyReLU (70.20%), but still significantly better than Sigmoid (11.20%). ELU is designed to overcome the dying ReLU problem by allowing small negative values for negative inputs, which helps improve gradient flow and speed up learning. However, in this case, its performance was weaker than ReLU-based activations. This could be due to factors such as weight initialization, dropout rates, or dataset-specific characteristics that make ReLU and Tanh more effective. The drop in accuracy compared to ReLU suggests that ELU might not be the best choice for this particular dataset. One potential reason could be ELU's computational complexity, which makes it slightly slower than ReLU, potentially affecting optimization dynamics. Additionally, the higher dropout rates (0.3 and 0.5) might be causing excessive regularization, leading to underfitting. However, based on the results so far, ReLU remains the best-performing activation function.

Task 5.3.6: Experimenting with GELU (Gaussian Error Linear Unit) activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using GELU (Gaussian Error Linear Unit)
activation
model gelu = models.Sequential([
   layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer specifying the
shape of input images
   # First Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=gelu, padding='same'), #
Convolution layer with GELU activation
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=gelu, padding='same'), #
Another convolution layer with GELU
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling to reduce spatial
dimensions
   layers. Dropout (0.2), # Dropout to prevent overfitting
   # Second Convolutional Block
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=gelu, padding='same'), #
Convolution with 128 filters using GELU
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=gelu, padding='same'),
Another convolution layer with GELU
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsampling
   layers.Dropout(0.3), # Dropout layer
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
   layers.Dense(512, activation=gelu), # Fully connected layer with
512 neurons using GELU activation
   layers.Dropout(0.5), # Dropout layer
```

```
# Output layer
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes using softmax activation
1)
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
model gelu.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the training dataset
history gelu = model gelu.fit(x train final, y train final,
                              epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                              batch size=64, # Mini-batch size of 64
                              validation data=(x test final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
test loss, test acc = model gelu.evaluate(x test final, y test final,
verbose=0)
print(f'Test Accuracy (GELU): {test acc * 100:.2f}%') # Print test
accuracy
Epoch 1/25
            _____ 12s 140ms/step - accuracy: 0.2375 - loss:
47/47 -----
2.0148 - val accuracy: 0.5440 - val loss: 1.4268
Epoch 2/25
47/47 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.5043 - loss:
1.4054 - val accuracy: 0.5660 - val loss: 1.1837
Epoch 3/25
                     1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.5832 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.1775 - val accuracy: 0.5580 - val loss: 1.1840
Epoch 4/25
                    _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.6271 - loss:
47/47 —
1.0466 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9750
Epoch 5/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.6735 - loss:
0.9115 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val_loss: 0.9732
Epoch 6/25
47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7241 - loss:
0.7709 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9918
Epoch 7/25
            1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7486 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.7119 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val_loss: 0.9545
Epoch 8/25
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.8135 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.5303 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.9086
Epoch 9/25
                  _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.8479 - loss:
47/47 ——
0.4418 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.9869
```

```
Epoch 10/25
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.8778 - loss:
0.3459 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 1.1532
0.2630 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 1.1206
Epoch 12/25
           ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9177 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.2257 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 1.3461
Epoch 13/25
              _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9299 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.2019 - val_accuracy: 0.7020 - val_loss: 1.0684
Epoch 14/25
                _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9635 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.1266 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 1.3271
Epoch 15/25

15 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9642 - loss:
0.1132 - val_accuracy: 0.6720 - val_loss: 1.2247
Epoch 16/25

15 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9601 - loss:
0.1197 - val accuracy: 0.7040 - val loss: 1.2733
0.0903 - val accuracy: 0.6820 - val loss: 1.3831
0.0873 - val accuracy: 0.6980 - val_loss: 1.4074
Epoch 19/25
               _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9685 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.0915 - val_accuracy: 0.7060 - val_loss: 1.4401
Epoch 20/25
               _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9637 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1019 - val_accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.5395
Epoch 21/25

1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9754 - loss:
0.0685 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.5214
0.0558 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.6099
Epoch 23/25
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9788 - loss:
0.0626 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val loss: 1.7000
Epoch 24/25 47/47 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9719 - loss:
0.0946 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 1.6619
Epoch 25/25
47/47 ______ 1s 31ms/step - accuracy: 0.9746 - loss:
0.0625 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.5399
Test Accuracy (GELU): 71.60%
```

#### Task 5.3.6: Conclusion

The CNN model using GELU activation achieved a test accuracy of 71.60%, performing better than LeakyReLU (70.20%) and ELU (64.20%), but falling short of ReLU (73.60%) and Tanh (73.00%). GELU is a smooth, probabilistic activation function that is often used in transformer-based models but has shown potential in CNNs as well. However, in this case, ReLU and Tanh outperformed GELU, possibly due to the computational overhead of GELU and the characteristics of the dataset. The higher dropout rates (0.2, 0.3, 0.5), which were also used in the ELU model, might have limited GELU's performance. While GELU provides a smooth activation, ReLU remains the best-performing activation function in this comparison, making it the preferred choice.

Task 5.3.7: Experimenting with Swish activation function

```
# Define a CNN model using Swish activation function
model swish = models.Sequential([
    Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer specifying image
dimensions
    # First Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=swish, padding='same'), # 64
filters with Swish activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling to downsample
    # Second Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=swish, padding='same'), #
128 filters with Swish
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling
    # Third Convolutional Block
    layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation=swish, padding='same'), #
256 filters with Swish
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling
    # Fully Connected Layers
    layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps
    layers.Dense(512, activation=swish), # Dense layer with 512
neurons using Swish
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer for 10
classes using softmax
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model swish.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model on the dataset
history_swish = model_swish.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final,
                                epochs=25, # Train for 25 epochs
                                batch size=64, # Mini-batch size
```

```
validation data=(x_test_final,
y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the model on the test set
test loss swish, test accuracy swish =
model swish.evaluate(x test final, y test final)
# Print the test accuracy
print(f"Test Accuracy (Swish): {test accuracy swish * 100:.2f}%")
1.9353 - val accuracy: 0.5480 - val loss: 1.3273
Epoch 2/25
          _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.5360 - loss:
47/47 -----
1.2931 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.1116
Epoch 3/25
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.5951 - loss:
1.1413 - val accuracy: 0.5900 - val loss: 1.0989
Epoch 4/25
                _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.6380 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.0339 - val accuracy: 0.6660 - val loss: 0.9889
Epoch 5/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6813 - loss:
47/47 —
0.9274 - val accuracy: 0.6420 - val loss: 0.9779
Epoch 6/25

1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6840 - loss:
0.8448 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.9292
Epoch 7/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7608 - loss:
0.7041 - val accuracy: 0.7260 - val loss: 0.8708
Epoch 8/25
          _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7838 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.6069 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 0.9972
Epoch 9/25
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8195 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.5347 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 0.9660
Epoch 10/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8485 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.4157 - val accuracy: 0.6300 - val loss: 1.1557
Epoch 11/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8387 - loss:
0.4401 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 1.0802
0.2520 - val accuracy: 0.7280 - val loss: 1.0967
0.1955 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 1.1739
Epoch 14/25
```

```
47/47 —
                    —— 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.9621 - loss:
0.1311 - val accuracy: 0.7260 - val loss: 1.3374
Epoch 15/25
                    ——— 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9749 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0896 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 1.5395
Epoch 16/25
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9817 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0674 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.6073
Epoch 17/25
              _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9673 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.1006 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 1.6290
Epoch 18/25
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9651 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.0970 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.5189
Epoch 19/25
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9858 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0509 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.5674
Epoch 20/25
                     1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9947 - loss:
0.0241 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 1.6615
Epoch 21/25
                    --- 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9938 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0271 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.7190
Epoch 22/25

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
0.0045 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 1.7846
0.0027 - val accuracy: 0.7260 - val loss: 1.8315
Epoch 24/25
                 _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.0014 - val_accuracy: 0.7220 - val_loss: 1.8624
Epoch 25/25
47/47 -
                  _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
0.0012 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 1.8996
16/16 -
                _____ 1s 34ms/step - accuracy: 0.7647 - loss:
1.5458
Test Accuracy (Swish): 72.20%
```

## Task 5.3.7 Conclusion:

The results indicate that the CNN model using the Swish activation function achieved a test accuracy of 72.20%, performing slightly lower than the ReLU-based model (73.60%) but outperforming the hybrid Swish-ReLU model (68.40%). The Swish activation function, known for its smooth and non-monotonic properties, contributed to efficient feature extraction, leading to competitive classification performance. However, the absence of dropout layers in the Swish model might have influenced its ability to generalize effectively. The findings suggest that while Swish can enhance model learning, further optimization, such as incorporating dropout and batch normalization, may be required to maximize its effectiveness in CNN architectures.

Task 5.3.8: Experimenting with Hybrid Model (Swish + ReLU)

```
# Define the CNN model with Swish activation in convolutional layers
and ReLU in dense layers
model hybrid = models.Sequential([
   layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Explicitly defining the input
shape for a 32x32 RGB image
   # First Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 64 filters, Swish activation
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # Another convolutional layer
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling to downsample
    layers.Dropout(0.2), # Dropout for regularization
   # Second Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 128 filters, Swish activation
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'),
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
   layers.Dropout(0.3),
   # Third Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 256 filters, Swish activation
    layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'),
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
    layers.Dropout(0.4),
   # Fourth Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(512, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 512 filters, Swish activation
    layers.Conv2D(512, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'),
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
   layers.Dropout(0.4),
   # Fully Connected Layers with ReLU Activation
   layers.Flatten(), # Flattening the feature maps into a single
    layers.Dense(1024, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
with 1024 neurons, ReLU activation
   layers. Dropout (0.5), # Dropout for further regularization
   layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons, ReLU activation
   layers.Dropout(0.5),
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
neurons for classification (softmax for multi-class)
```

```
1)
# Compile the model with Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model hybrid.compile(optimizer='adam',
               loss='categorical crossentropy',
               metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model using training data
history hybrid = model hybrid.fit(x train final, y train final,
                        epochs=25, # Number of training
epochs
                         batch size=64, # Mini-batch size
                         validation data=(x test final,
v test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the model on the test dataset
test loss hybrid, test accuracy hybrid =
model hybrid.evaluate(x_test_final, y_test_final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Swish + ReLU): {test accuracy hybrid * 100:.2f}
%")
Epoch 1/25
            47/47 ----
2.3052 - val accuracy: 0.2100 - val loss: 1.9575
2.0002 - val accuracy: 0.2580 - val loss: 1.9323
1.8770 - val accuracy: 0.3480 - val loss: 1.6698
1.7637 - val accuracy: 0.3800 - val loss: 1.5825
Epoch 5/25
              _____ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.3381 - loss:
1.7052 - val accuracy: 0.4060 - val loss: 1.5295
Epoch 6/25
                ____ 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.3610 - loss:
47/47 -
1.6952 - val accuracy: 0.4240 - val loss: 1.4882
1.4670 - val accuracy: 0.4820 - val loss: 1.3580
1.4279 - val accuracy: 0.5180 - val loss: 1.2901
1.3397 - val_accuracy: 0.4820 - val_loss: 1.3922
Epoch 10/25
```

```
47/47 ———
               _____ 2s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.5196 - loss:
1.2746 - val accuracy: 0.5280 - val loss: 1.2660
Epoch 11/25
                 _____ 2s 38ms/step - accuracy: 0.5497 - loss:
47/47 ---
1.1791 - val accuracy: 0.6340 - val loss: 1.0284
Epoch 12/25
             ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.5869 - loss:
47/47 ---
1.0843 - val accuracy: 0.6360 - val loss: 0.9981
0.9839 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.0433
Epoch 14/25
             ______ 2s 38ms/step - accuracy: 0.6337 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.9997 - val accuracy: 0.6180 - val loss: 0.9674
Epoch 15/25
              ______ 2s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.6745 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.9293 - val_accuracy: 0.6580 - val_loss: 0.9679
Epoch 16/25
                 _____ 2s 38ms/step - accuracy: 0.6779 - loss:
0.8780 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.1031
Epoch 17/25
                _____ 2s 38ms/step - accuracy: 0.6949 - loss:
47/47 —
0.8939 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 1.0959
0.8650 - val accuracy: 0.6240 - val loss: 1.0904
Epoch 19/25 - 2s 40ms/step - accuracy: 0.7362 - loss:
0.7551 - val accuracy: 0.6640 - val loss: 0.8413
0.6607 - val_accuracy: 0.6300 - val_loss: 1.1597
Epoch 21/25
              2s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.7236 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.7626 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val loss: 1.0716
Epoch 22/25
                _____ 2s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.7802 - loss:
47/47 —
0.6055 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 0.9602
Epoch 23/25
               ______ 2s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.7885 - loss:
47/47 -
0.6252 - val accuracy: 0.6540 - val loss: 1.1670
0.6467 - val accuracy: 0.7080 - val loss: 0.9068
Epoch 25/25
              ______ 2s 41ms/step - accuracy: 0.8040 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.5366 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9543
              ______ 2s 69ms/step - accuracy: 0.7435 - loss:
16/16 —
```

```
0.7982
Test Accuracy (Swish + ReLU): 68.40%
```

#### Task 5.3.8 Conclusion:

The hybrid model, which used Swish activation in convolutional layers and ReLU in dense layers, achieved a test accuracy of 68.40%. Interestingly, this is lower than both the pure Swish model (72.20%) and ReLU model (73.60%), suggesting that the combination of Swish in convolutional layers and ReLU in fully connected layers might not be optimal for this particular dataset. One possible reason for the performance drop is that Swish is designed to work well in deep networks, but using it in convolutional layers while switching to ReLU in dense layers could have disrupted the smooth gradient flow. Additionally, the increase in convolutional layers (512 filters in the fourth block) and high dropout rates (up to 0.5 in dense layers) might have led to an over-regularized model, preventing it from learning effectively.

Task 5.3.9: Experimenting with Swish + LeakyReLU activation function

```
# Define the CNN model with Swish activation in convolutional layers
and LeakyReLU in dense layers
model swish leakyrelu = models.Sequential([
    Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Explicitly define input shape for a
32x32 RGB image
   # First Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 64 filters, Swish activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling to reduce spatial
dimensions
    # Second Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 128 filters, Swish activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
   # Third Convolutional Block (Swish Activation)
   layers.Conv2D(256, (3, 3), activation=activations.swish,
padding='same'), # 256 filters, Swish activation
    layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
   # Fully Connected Layers with LeakyReLU Activation
   layers.Flatten(), # Flattening the feature maps into a single
vector
    layers.Dense(512, activation=None), # Fully connected layer with
512 neurons (No activation specified yet)
    layers.LeakyReLU(negative slope=0.01), # Applying LeakyReLU
activation to prevent dying neurons issue
   layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
neurons for classification (softmax for multi-class)
])
```

```
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model swish leakyrelu.compile(optimizer='adam',
                        loss='categorical crossentropy',
                        metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model using training data
history swish leakyrelu = model swish leakyrelu.fit(x train final,
y_train_final,
                                           epochs=25, #
Number of training epochs
                                           batch size=64, #
Mini-batch size
validation data=(x test final, y test final)) # Validate on test set
# Evaluate the model on the test dataset
test loss swish leakyrelu, test accuracy swish leakyrelu =
model swish leakyrelu.evaluate(x test final, y test final)
print(f"Test Accuracy (Swish + LeakyReLU):
{test accuracy swish leakyrelu * 100:.2f}%")
Epoch 1/25
          6s 68ms/step - accuracy: 0.2589 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.9711 - val accuracy: 0.4900 - val loss: 1.3977
1.3112 - val accuracy: 0.5700 - val loss: 1.1572
1.1412 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.1224
0.9888 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val loss: 0.9898
Epoch 5/25
                _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.6699 - loss:
0.9094 - val accuracy: 0.6640 - val loss: 0.9933
Epoch 6/25
                  1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7225 - loss:
47/47 -
0.7915 - val accuracy: 0.6820 - val loss: 0.9145
Epoch 7/25

1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7564 - loss:
0.6945 - val accuracy: 0.6640 - val loss: 0.9614
Epoch 8/25
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7958 - loss:
0.5633 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 0.9355
0.4505 - val_accuracy: 0.6620 - val_loss: 1.1183
Epoch 10/25
```

```
_____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8770 - loss:
0.3485 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 1.0856
Epoch 11/25
                  _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9188 - loss:
47/47 ---
0.2553 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.1212
Epoch 12/25
             ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9519 - loss:
47/47 ---
0.1704 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val loss: 1.1984
0.1200 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 1.3474
Epoch 14/25
             ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9656 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.1097 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 1.4993
Epoch 15/25
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9718 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.0864 - val_accuracy: 0.6920 - val_loss: 1.4392
Epoch 16/25
                  _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.9702 - loss:
0.0940 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 1.7768
Epoch 17/25
                _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.9616 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1191 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 1.4864
Epoch 18/25

15 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.9917 - loss:
0.0383 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 1.5624
Epoch 19/25 47/47 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9872 - loss:
0.0392 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 1.6255
0.0214 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.6978
Epoch 21/25
               _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.9995 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.0070 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val loss: 1.6486
Epoch 22/25
                  _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 <del>---</del>
0.0032 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.7018
Epoch 23/25
               _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0018 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.7128
0.0013 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.7357
Epoch 25/25
              1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 1.0000 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.0011 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.7538
              _____ 1s 33ms/step - accuracy: 0.7615 - loss:
16/16 -
```

```
1.4767
Test Accuracy (Swish + LeakyReLU): 71.60%
```

#### Task 5.3.9 Conclusion:

The CNN model utilizing Swish activation in convolutional layers and LeakyReLU in fully connected layers achieved a test accuracy of 71.60%, which is slightly lower than the Swish-only model (72.20%) and the ReLU-based model (73.60%). While the combination aimed to leverage Swish's smooth activation for feature extraction and LeakyReLU's ability to mitigate neuron dying issues, it did not significantly improve performance. The results suggest that Swish remains effective in convolutional layers, but the expected benefits of LeakyReLU in fully connected layers did not lead to a notable accuracy boost.

Task 5.3.10: Experimenting with Custom (Scaled Swish) activation function

```
# Define a custom Swish activation function with a scaling factor
def custom swish(x):
    return 1.5 * x * sigmoid(x) # Swish activation with scaling
factor 1.5
# Define CNN model using the Custom Swish activation function
model custom swish = models.Sequential([
   layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer for 32x32 RGB
images
   # First Convolutional Block with Custom Swish Activation
   layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=custom swish,
padding='same'), # 64 filters, kernel size 3x3
    layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation=custom swish,
padding='same'),
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Max pooling to reduce spatial
dimensions
   layers.Dropout (0.2), # Dropout to prevent overfitting
   # Second Convolutional Block with Custom Swish Activation
   layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=custom swish,
padding='same'), # 128 filters
    layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation=custom_swish,
padding='same'),
   layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
   layers.Dropout(0.3),
   # Fully Connected Layers
   layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a single vector
    layers.Dense(512, activation=custom_swish), # Fully connected
layer with Custom Swish activation
   layers.Dropout(0.5), # Dropout to reduce overfitting
    layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes for classification
1)
```

```
# Compile the model using Adam optimizer and categorical cross-entropy
loss
model custom swish.compile(optimizer='adam',
                      loss='categorical crossentropy',
                      metrics=['accuracy'])
# Train the model using the training dataset
history custom swish = model custom swish.fit(x train final,
y train final,
                                      epochs=25, # Train for
25 epochs
                                      batch size=64, # Use
batch size of 64
validation data=(x test final, y test final)) # Validate on test data
# Evaluate the model on the test dataset
test loss, test acc = model custom swish.evaluate(x test final,
y_test_final, verbose=0)
print(f'Test Accuracy (Custom Swish): {test acc * 100:.2f}%')
1.9357 - val accuracy: 0.5620 - val loss: 1.2914
1.3284 - val accuracy: 0.5540 - val loss: 1.1760
Epoch 3/25 47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.5961 - loss:
1.1321 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.0376
Epoch 4/25
0.9577 - val accuracy: 0.6420 - val loss: 1.0626
Epoch 5/25
                  ____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.7159 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.7758 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9792
Epoch 6/25
                 _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.7855 - loss:
47/47 —
0.6148 - val_accuracy: 0.6460 - val_loss: 1.0075
0.4640 - val accuracy: 0.6480 - val loss: 1.2183
Epoch 8/25
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.8588 - loss:
0.4193 - val accuracy: 0.6300 - val loss: 1.2055
Epoch 9/25
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9026 - loss:
0.2687 - val accuracy: 0.6500 - val loss: 1.3265
Epoch 10/25
```

```
47/47 ———
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9156 - loss:
0.2309 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 1.4267
Epoch 11/25
                  _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9335 - loss:
47/47 —
0.1946 - val accuracy: 0.6500 - val loss: 1.4361
Epoch 12/25
             ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9550 - loss:
47/47 ----
0.1353 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.5653
Epoch 13/25

15 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.9454 - loss:
0.1649 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 1.6299
Epoch 14/25
              _____ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.9467 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.1450 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val loss: 1.7076
Epoch 15/25
                _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.9528 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.1417 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 1.6325
Epoch 16/25
                  _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9750 - loss:
0.0850 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 1.7716
Epoch 17/25
                 _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.9729 - loss:
47/47 —
0.0853 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 1.7558
Epoch 18/25

15 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9699 - loss:
0.0870 - val accuracy: 0.6660 - val loss: 1.9307
Epoch 19/25 47/47 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9715 - loss:
0.0920 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 1.9144
0.0862 - val accuracy: 0.6260 - val loss: 2.5791
Epoch 21/25
               _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9467 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.1528 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val loss: 1.5744
Epoch 22/25
                  _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9576 - loss:
47/47 -
0.1316 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 1.7575
Epoch 23/25
               _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.9739 - loss:
47/47 -
0.0816 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 1.6773
0.0638 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 1.9313
Epoch 25/25 47/47 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.9831 - loss:
0.0480 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 1.9865
Test Accuracy (Custom Swish): 66.00%
```

#### Task 5.3.10 Conclusion:

The CNN model incorporating a custom Swish activation function with a scaling factor of 1.5 achieved a test accuracy of 66.00%, which is lower than other configurations, including the standard Swish (72.20%) and ReLU (73.60%) models. While the scaling factor was intended to enhance the Swish function's flexibility, it may have led to vanishing or exploding activations, reducing the model's ability to learn effectively. Additionally, the deeper convolutional layers and fully connected layers may have been affected by the modified activation function's gradient behavior. These results suggest that while Swish is effective, tuning its scaling factor requires careful experimentation, and standard implementations may perform more reliably in this scenario.

# Task 5.4: Experiment with various optimizers (https://keras.io/api/optimizers/) and learning rate. What is the effect on the resulting model accuracy?

Experimenting with different optimizers including SGD, Adam, RMSprop, Adagrad, and AdamW, each with different learning rates.

```
# Define the CNN model function
def create model():
    model = keras.Sequential([
        layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer for 32x32 RGB
images
        # First Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 32 filters
        layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Reducing spatial dimensions
        layers.Dropout(0.25), # Dropout to reduce overfitting
        # Second Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 64 filters
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
        lavers MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
        layers.Dropout(0.25),
        # Third Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 128 filters
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
        lavers MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
        layers.Dropout(0.25),
        # Fully Connected Layers
        layers.Flatten(), # Converts feature maps into a 1D vector
        layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
```

```
with 512 neurons
        layers.Dropout (0.5), # Dropout to prevent overfitting
        layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes
    ])
    return model # Return the constructed model
# Define optimizers and learning rates to test
optimizers list = {
    "SGD 0.01": optimizers.SGD(learning rate=0.01),
    "SGD 0.001": optimizers.SGD(learning rate=0.001),
    "Adam 0.01": optimizers.Adam(learning rate=0.01),
    "Adam 0.001": optimizers.Adam(learning rate=0.001),
    "RMSprop 0.001": optimizers.RMSprop(learning rate=0.001),
    "RMSprop 0.0001": optimizers.RMSprop(learning rate=0.0001),
    "Adagrad 0.01": optimizers.Adagrad(learning rate=0.01),
    "Adagrad 0.001": optimizers.Adagrad(learning rate=0.001),
    "AdamW 0.001": optimizers.AdamW(learning rate=0.001)
}
# Dictionary to store test accuracy results for each optimizer
results = \{\}
# Iterate over each optimizer, train the model, and store results
for name, opt in optimizers list.items():
    print(f"\nTraining with {name}...\n")
    # Create and compile the CNN model with the selected optimizer
    model = create model()
    model.compile(optimizer=opt,
                  loss='categorical crossentropy', # Loss function
for multi-class classification
                  metrics=['accuracy']) # Track accuracy during
training
    # Train the model
    history = model.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final,
                        epochs=10, # Short training for quick
comparison
                        batch size=64, # Mini-batch size
                        validation data=(x test final, y test final),
# Validate after each epoch
                        verbose=1)
    # Evaluate the model on the test dataset
    test loss, test acc = model.evaluate(x test final, y test final,
verbose=0)
    print(f"Test Accuracy with {name}: {test acc * 100:.2f}%")
    # Store test accuracy in results dictionary
```

```
results[name] = test acc
# Print final test accuracy results for all optimizers
print("\nFinal Results Summary:")
for key, value in results.items():
   print(f"{key}: {value * 100:.2f}%")
Training with SGD 0.01...
Epoch 1/10
2.3056 - val accuracy: 0.1220 - val loss: 2.3022
Epoch 2/10
              _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.1051 - loss:
47/47 —
2.3037 - val accuracy: 0.1100 - val loss: 2.3016
Epoch 3/10
               _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.1102 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3019 - val_accuracy: 0.1260 - val_loss: 2.3004
Epoch 4/10
                 _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1002 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3009 - val_accuracy: 0.1400 - val_loss: 2.2995
Epoch 5/10
              ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1175 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.2996 - val accuracy: 0.1400 - val loss: 2.2981
2.2987 - val accuracy: 0.1760 - val loss: 2.2966
2.2961 - val accuracy: 0.1380 - val loss: 2.2940
Epoch 8/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1294 - loss:
2.2938 - val accuracy: 0.1740 - val loss: 2.2908
Epoch 9/10
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1382 - loss:
2.2908 - val_accuracy: 0.1620 - val_loss: 2.2823
Epoch 10/10
47/47 ----
                  2.2815 - val accuracy: 0.2140 - val loss: 2.2664
Test Accuracy with SGD 0.01: 21.40%
Training with SGD 0.001...
Epoch 1/10
               9s 100ms/step - accuracy: 0.0983 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3054 - val accuracy: 0.1200 - val loss: 2.3036
Epoch 2/10
               _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.0980 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3079 - val_accuracy: 0.1200 - val_loss: 2.3033
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Epoch 3/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1017 - loss:
2.3061 - val accuracy: 0.1240 - val loss: 2.3029
2.3060 - val accuracy: 0.1300 - val loss: 2.3026
Epoch 5/10
           _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1007 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3041 - val accuracy: 0.1320 - val loss: 2.3024
Epoch 6/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1049 - loss:
2.3030 - val_accuracy: 0.1320 - val_loss: 2.3021
Epoch 7/10
                _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.0954 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3039 - val_accuracy: 0.1360 - val_loss: 2.3019
Epoch 8/10
               1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1085 - loss:
47/47 ---
2.3009 - val_accuracy: 0.1280 - val_loss: 2.3016
2.3029 - val accuracy: 0.1320 - val loss: 2.3014
Epoch 10/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1048 - loss:
2.3022 - val accuracy: 0.1340 - val loss: 2.3012
Test Accuracy with SGD_0.001: 13.40%
Training with Adam 0.01...
4.2934 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3043
Epoch 2/10 47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.0919 - loss:
2.3122 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3030
Epoch 3/10 47/47 ______ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1087 - loss:
2.3029 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3028
Epoch 4/10
                _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1190 - loss:
2.3027 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3027
Epoch 5/10
                _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1019 - loss:
47/47 ---
2.3031 - val_accuracy: 0.1000 - val_loss: 2.3027
Epoch 6/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1091 - loss:
2.3035 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3027
Epoch 7/10 47/47 ______ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.0859 - loss:
2.3039 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3028
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Epoch 8/10
47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.1009 - loss:
2.3032 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3027
2.3032 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3026
Epoch 10/10
2.3030 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3027
Test Accuracy with Adam 0.01: 10.00%
Training with Adam 0.001...
2.1612 - val accuracy: 0.2860 - val loss: 1.7500
1.7770 - val_accuracy: 0.3800 - val_loss: 1.5707
Epoch 3/10
          ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3973 - loss:
1.5944 - val_accuracy: 0.4500 - val loss: 1.3912
Epoch 4/10
              _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.4515 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.4026 - val accuracy: 0.4980 - val loss: 1.3616
Epoch 5/10

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4997 - loss:
1.3556 - val_accuracy: 0.5500 - val_loss: 1.2330
Epoch 6/10

47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5468 - loss:
1.2090 - val accuracy: 0.5560 - val loss: 1.2477
1.2008 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val loss: 1.0483
Epoch 8/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.5899 - loss:
1.1027 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 1.0314
Epoch 9/10
              _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.5937 - loss:
1.0513 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.0178
Epoch 10/10
47/47 ----
                ---- 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.6442 - loss:
0.9515 - val accuracy: 0.6220 - val_loss: 0.9550
Test Accuracy with Adam_0.001: 62.20%
Training with RMSprop 0.001...
Epoch 1/10
2.2987 - val accuracy: 0.2560 - val loss: 1.9936
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Epoch 2/10
47/47 ______ 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.2633 - loss:
1.9231 - val accuracy: 0.3280 - val loss: 1.6982
Epoch 3/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3027 - loss:
1.8363 - val accuracy: 0.4180 - val loss: 1.6167
Epoch 4/10
            _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3694 - loss:
47/47 -----
1.6945 - val accuracy: 0.3840 - val loss: 1.5892
Epoch 5/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3996 - loss:
1.6115 - val_accuracy: 0.4880 - val_loss: 1.3571
Epoch 6/10
                  _____ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.4550 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.4552 - val_accuracy: 0.5120 - val_loss: 1.2487
Epoch 7/10
           ______ 1s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.4782 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.3961 - val_accuracy: 0.5640 - val_loss: 1.1866
Epoch 8/10

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4909 - loss:
1.3863 - val accuracy: 0.5000 - val loss: 1.3434
Epoch 9/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5100 - loss:
1.3056 - val accuracy: 0.5960 - val loss: 1.1130
Epoch 10/10
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5552 - loss:
1.1991 - val_accuracy: 0.5760 - val_loss: 1.1579
Test Accuracy with RMSprop 0.001: 57.60%
Training with RMSprop 0.0001...
Epoch 1/10
2.3030 - val accuracy: 0.1820 - val_loss: 2.2871
Epoch 2/10 47/47 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.1772 - loss:
2.2285 - val accuracy: 0.2560 - val loss: 1.9380
Epoch 3/10
                 _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.2656 - loss:
1.9214 - val accuracy: 0.2820 - val loss: 1.8427
Epoch 4/10
                  _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.2861 - loss:
47/47 —
1.8401 - val_accuracy: 0.3220 - val_loss: 1.7575
Epoch 5/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3188 - loss:
1.7854 - val accuracy: 0.3220 - val loss: 1.7305
Epoch 6/10 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3384 - loss:
1.7559 - val accuracy: 0.3540 - val loss: 1.6654
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Epoch 7/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3433 - loss:
1.7132 - val accuracy: 0.3720 - val loss: 1.6116
1.7108 - val accuracy: 0.4180 - val loss: 1.5919
Epoch 9/10
           _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3788 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.6460 - val accuracy: 0.4020 - val loss: 1.5507
Epoch 10/10
1.6473 - val accuracy: 0.3880 - val_loss: 1.7175
Test Accuracy with RMSprop_0.0001: 38.80%
Training with Adagrad 0.01...
Epoch 1/10
            _____ 11s 114ms/step - accuracy: 0.0958 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3051 - val_accuracy: 0.1880 - val_loss: 2.2965
Epoch 2/10
               _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1234 - loss:
2.2962 - val_accuracy: 0.2180 - val loss: 2.2789
Epoch 3/10
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.1554 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.2526 - val accuracy: 0.2160 - val loss: 2.2102
Epoch 4/10

1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.2271 - loss:
2.0913 - val_accuracy: 0.2820 - val_loss: 1.8560
Epoch 5/10

47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.2481 - loss:
1.9696 - val accuracy: 0.2620 - val loss: 1.8900
Epoch 6/10 47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.2622 - loss:
1.8640 - val accuracy: 0.3600 - val loss: 1.7406
Epoch 7/10 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.2910 - loss:
1.8049 - val accuracy: 0.3380 - val loss: 1.7020
Epoch 8/10
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3178 - loss:
1.7655 - val accuracy: 0.3840 - val loss: 1.6464
Epoch 9/10
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3229 - loss:
47/47 ---
1.7329 - val_accuracy: 0.3860 - val_loss: 1.6144
Epoch 10/10 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.3360 - loss:
1.6995 - val accuracy: 0.4240 - val loss: 1.5907
Test Accuracy with Adagrad_0.01: 42.40%
Training with Adagrad 0.001...
```

```
2.3049 - val accuracy: 0.1020 - val loss: 2.3019
2.3039 - val accuracy: 0.1240 - val loss: 2.3015
Epoch 3/10
          ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.0952 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3043 - val accuracy: 0.1340 - val loss: 2.3011
Epoch 4/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1171 - loss:
2.3012 - val_accuracy: 0.1500 - val_loss: 2.3007
Epoch 5/10
               _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1116 - loss:
47/47 ----
2.3025 - val accuracy: 0.1440 - val loss: 2.3004
Epoch 6/10
              1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.1166 - loss:
47/47 —
2.3013 - val_accuracy: 0.1560 - val_loss: 2.3002
2.3022 - val accuracy: 0.1660 - val_loss: 2.2998
Epoch 8/10
47/47 ______ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.1088 - loss:
2.3000 - val accuracy: 0.1740 - val loss: 2.2994
2.3007 - val accuracy: 0.1880 - val loss: 2.2990
Epoch 10/10
              1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.0929 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.3025 - val accuracy: 0.1860 - val loss: 2.2987
Test Accuracy with Adagrad 0.001: 18.60%
Training with AdamW 0.001...
Epoch 1/10
47/47 ______ 13s 145ms/step - accuracy: 0.1144 - loss:
2.2385 - val accuracy: 0.3000 - val_loss: 1.8200
Epoch 2/10
               _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.2866 - loss:
1.8639 - val accuracy: 0.4180 - val loss: 1.6273
Epoch 3/10
               _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3819 - loss:
47/47 ---
1.6497 - val accuracy: 0.4720 - val loss: 1.4471
Epoch 4/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.4447 - loss:
1.4754 - val accuracy: 0.5400 - val loss: 1.3055
Epoch 5/10 47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.4963 - loss:
1.3774 - val accuracy: 0.5220 - val loss: 1.2526
```

```
Epoch 6/10
                       — 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5240 - loss:
47/47 -
1.2850 - val accuracy: 0.5440 - val_loss: 1.1878
Epoch 7/10
                  _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5596 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.1653 - val accuracy: 0.5840 - val loss: 1.1197
Epoch 8/10
47/47 -
                     ----- 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.6019 - loss:
1.1022 - val accuracy: 0.6220 - val loss: 1.0505
Epoch 9/10
                    _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.6033 - loss:
47/47 —
1.0657 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9456
Epoch 10/10
47/47 -
                         — 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.6224 - loss:
1.0129 - val accuracy: 0.6640 - val loss: 0.9511
Test Accuracy with AdamW 0.001: 66.40%
Final Results Summary:
SGD 0.01: 21.40%
SGD 0.001: 13.40%
Adam 0.01: 10.00%
Adam 0.001: 62.20%
RMSprop 0.001: 57.60%
RMSprop 0.0001: 38.80%
Adagrad 0.01: 42.40%
Adagrad_0.001: 18.60%
AdamW 0.001: 66.40%
```

# Task 5.4.1 Conclusion:

The optimizer comparison experiment revealed significant variations in test accuracy across different optimization algorithms and learning rates. Among the tested optimizers, AdamW with a learning rate of 0.001 achieved the highest accuracy (66.40%), followed by Adam (62.20%) and RMSprop (57.60% with the same learning rate. In contrast, SGD (both 0.01 and 0.001) and Adam (0.01) performed poorly, with accuracies below 22%, indicating that these configurations failed to converge effectively within the given training epochs. The results highlight the importance of selecting an appropriate optimizer and learning rate, with AdamW (0.001) emerging as the most effective choice for this CNN model in terms of classification accuracy.

# Task 5.5: With all the above variations, experiment with various batch sizes and epochs for training

In the code below, we will train and evaluate a CNN model while experimenting with different batch sizes and epochs to analyze their impact on accuracy. It systematically loops through batch sizes (32, 64, 128) and epochs (10, 20, 30), training the model and recording test accuracy for each combination. The results are stored and visualized in a plot, helping identify the best configuration for training. The script also ensures reproducibility by setting random seeds and prevents memory issues by clearing TensorFlow sessions before each training run.

```
# Set seed for reproducibility
tf.random.set seed(42)
np.random.seed(42)
# Function to create the CNN model
def create model():
   model = keras.Sequential([
        layers.Input(shape=(32, 32, 3)), # Input layer for 32x32 RGB
images
        # First Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 32 filters
        layers.Conv2D(32, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
       layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)), # Downsample the feature maps
        layers.Dropout (0.25), # Dropout to reduce overfitting
        # Second Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 64 filters
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
        layers.Dropout(0.25),
        # Third Convolutional Block
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
# 128 filters
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3, 3), activation='relu', padding='same'),
        lavers MaxPooling2D((2, 2)),
        layers.Dropout(0.25),
        # Fully Connected Lavers
        layers.Flatten(), # Flatten feature maps into a 1D vector
        layers.Dense(512, activation='relu'), # Fully connected layer
with 512 neurons
        layers. Dropout(0.5), # Dropout to further reduce overfitting
        layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax') # Output layer with 10
classes (for classification)
    return model # Return the model
# Experiment variations: different batch sizes and epochs
batch sizes = [32, 64, 128] # Mini-batch sizes to test
epochs list = [10, 20, 30] # Number of epochs to test
# Dictionary to store results of experiments
results = {}
# Loop through different batch sizes and epoch values
for batch in batch sizes:
```

```
for epoch in epochs list:
        print(f"\nTraining with batch size {batch} and {epoch}
epochs...\n")
        # Clear TensorFlow session to free up memory and avoid
unexpected state issues
       K.clear session()
        # Define optimizer (AdamW) inside the loop to ensure a fresh
instance each time
        best optimizer = optimizers.AdamW(learning rate=0.001)
        # Create and compile a new CNN model
        model = create model()
        model.compile(optimizer=best optimizer,
                      loss='categorical crossentropy', # Loss
function for multi-class classification
                      metrics=['accuracy']) # Track accuracy during
training
        # Train the model with the current batch size and epoch count
       history = model.fit(x_train_final, y_train_final,
                            epochs=epoch, # Train for the selected
number of epochs
                            batch size=batch, # Use the selected
batch size
                            validation data=(x test final,
y test final), # Validate on test data
                            verbose=1)
        # Evaluate the trained model on the test dataset
        test loss, test acc = model.evaluate(x test final,
y test final, verbose=0)
        print(f"Test Accuracy with batch={batch}, epochs={epoch}:
{test acc * 100:.2f}%")
        # Store the test accuracy result
        results[(batch, epoch)] = test acc
# Print final results summary
print("\nFinal Results Summary:")
for key, value in results.items():
   print(f"Batch Size {key[0]}, Epochs {key[1]}: {value * 100:.2f}%")
# Plot results to visualize the impact of batch size and epochs on
accuracy
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
# Plot accuracy trends for different batch sizes
for batch in batch sizes:
   accs = [results[(batch, epoch)] * 100 for epoch in epochs list]
```

```
plt.plot(epochs list, accs, marker='o', linestyle='-',
label=f'Batch Size {batch}')
# Label the plot
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Test Accuracy (%)')
plt.title('Effect of Batch Size & Epochs on Accuracy')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
# Display the plot
plt.show()
Training with batch size 32 and 10 epochs...
Epoch 1/10
               18s 88ms/step - accuracy: 0.1438 - loss:
94/94 —
2.2113 - val accuracy: 0.3360 - val loss: 1.8112
Epoch 2/10
                 2s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.3306 - loss:
94/94 -
1.7505 - val accuracy: 0.4500 - val loss: 1.4629
1.5231 - val accuracy: 0.5260 - val loss: 1.3049
1.3710 - val accuracy: 0.5580 - val loss: 1.1760
Epoch 5/10
          ______ 2s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.5230 - loss:
94/94 ———
1.2549 - val accuracy: 0.6080 - val loss: 1.1104
Epoch 6/10
94/94 ______ 2s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5517 - loss:
1.1670 - val accuracy: 0.5740 - val loss: 1.0518
Epoch 7/10
                 4s 39ms/step - accuracy: 0.5816 - loss:
94/94 ---
1.1345 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.0296
Epoch 8/10
94/94 —
                 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5930 - loss:
1.0656 - val_accuracy: 0.6360 - val_loss: 1.0048
0.9594 - val accuracy: 0.6660 - val loss: 0.9098
Epoch 10/10 94/94 _____ 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6550 - loss:
0.9214 - val accuracy: 0.6320 - val loss: 0.9343
Test Accuracy with batch=32, epochs=10: 63.20%
Training with batch size 32 and 20 epochs...
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2.2215 - val accuracy: 0.3320 - val loss: 1.6979
1.7679 - val accuracy: 0.3920 - val loss: 1.5902
Epoch 3/20
          ______ 2s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.3866 - loss:
94/94 ----
1.5998 - val accuracy: 0.4860 - val loss: 1.3475
Epoch 4/20
94/94 ______ 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4626 - loss:
1.4296 - val_accuracy: 0.4980 - val_loss: 1.3037
Epoch 5/20
              _____ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.5257 - loss:
94/94 ----
1.2297 - val accuracy: 0.5340 - val loss: 1.2141
Epoch 6/20
2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.5469 - loss:
1.1661 - val_accuracy: 0.5500 - val_loss: 1.1807
1.0870 - val accuracy: 0.5960 - val_loss: 1.1106
Epoch 8/20
94/94 ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.6126 - loss:
1.0467 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val loss: 1.0065
0.9976 - val accuracy: 0.6460 - val loss: 0.9543
Epoch 10/20
             ______ 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6254 - loss:
94/94 -----
0.9750 - val_accuracy: 0.6480 - val_loss: 0.9621
Epoch 11/20
             ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.6646 - loss:
94/94 ———
0.8710 - val_accuracy: 0.7040 - val loss: 0.8263
0.8065 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 0.9123
Epoch 13/20
04/94 ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7065 - loss:
0.7877 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.8487
Epoch 14/20 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7389 - loss:
0.6923 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 0.8548
0.6018 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 0.9649
Epoch 16/20
         ______ 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7659 - loss:
0.6107 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 0.8605
Epoch 17/20
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______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7944 - loss:
0.5700 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 0.8192
Epoch 18/20
               _____ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8289 - loss:
94/94 —
0.4667 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 0.8620
Epoch 19/20
2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8319 - loss:
0.4555 - val accuracy: 0.7020 - val loss: 0.8614
0.4439 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 0.9868
Test Accuracy with batch=32, epochs=20: 69.00%
Training with batch size 32 and 30 epochs...
2.1350 - val accuracy: 0.3740 - val_loss: 1.7098
1.7237 - val accuracy: 0.3880 - val_loss: 1.5568
Epoch 3/30
         ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.4213 - loss:
94/94 ———
1.5305 - val accuracy: 0.5480 - val loss: 1.2845
Epoch 4/30
94/94 ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.5035 - loss:
1.3509 - val accuracy: 0.5260 - val loss: 1.2598
Epoch 5/30
              2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.5558 - loss:
94/94 ----
1.2522 - val accuracy: 0.5520 - val loss: 1.1828
Epoch 6/30
              ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.5662 - loss:
94/94 —
1.1721 - val_accuracy: 0.6180 - val_loss: 1.0472
1.0783 - val accuracy: 0.6000 - val loss: 1.1019
1.0332 - val accuracy: 0.6200 - val loss: 1.0518
0.9223 - val accuracy: 0.6740 - val loss: 0.9384
Epoch 10/30
             ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.6786 - loss:
94/94 ———
0.8741 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.8757
Epoch 11/30
              ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7119 - loss:
94/94 -----
0.8051 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 0.9453
Epoch 12/30
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94/94 ———
              _____ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7364 - loss:
0.7205 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.8927
Epoch 13/30
                ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.7478 - loss:
94/94 —
0.6900 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 0.8483
Epoch 14/30 2s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7791 - loss:
0.6003 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 0.8939
Epoch 15/30
2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7938 - loss:
0.5681 - val accuracy: 0.7040 - val loss: 0.9082
Epoch 16/30
             ______ 2s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.8041 - loss:
94/94 ———
0.5481 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val loss: 0.9440
Epoch 17/30
              2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8218 - loss:
94/94 -----
0.4903 - val_accuracy: 0.7220 - val_loss: 0.8283
Epoch 18/30
                _____ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8394 - loss:
94/94 ——
0.4514 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 0.9690
Epoch 19/30
               ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8476 - loss:
94/94 —
0.4079 - val accuracy: 0.7080 - val loss: 1.0368
0.3608 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 1.0176
0.3695 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 0.9555
0.3289 - val accuracy: 0.6800 - val loss: 0.9958
Epoch 23/30
              _____ 2s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8862 - loss:
94/94 -----
0.3268 - val accuracy: 0.7260 - val loss: 0.9450
Epoch 24/30
               _____ 2s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.8793 - loss:
0.3093 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val loss: 1.0261
Epoch 25/30
              ______ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.8785 - loss:
94/94 -
0.3270 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 1.1883
Epoch 26/30 2s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.8943 - loss:
0.3016 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 1.1469
0.2485 - val accuracy: 0.7180 - val loss: 1.0958
Epoch 28/30
94/94 -
           2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.9269 - loss:
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0.1846 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 1.3499
Epoch 29/30
                2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.9325 - loss:
94/94 ----
0.1881 - val accuracy: 0.7280 - val loss: 1.0377
Epoch 30/30
                 _____ 2s 20ms/step - accuracy: 0.9387 - loss:
94/94 -----
0.1649 - val accuracy: 0.7100 - val loss: 1.1787
Test Accuracy with batch=32, epochs=30: 71.00%
Training with batch size 64 and 10 epochs...
Epoch 1/10
            13s 123ms/step - accuracy: 0.1412 - loss:
47/47 ———
2.2614 - val accuracy: 0.3040 - val loss: 1.8008
Epoch 2/10
                 _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.2910 - loss:
47/47 —
1.8083 - val accuracy: 0.3760 - val loss: 1.5973
Epoch 3/10
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.3751 - loss:
47/47 —
1.6541 - val accuracy: 0.4540 - val loss: 1.5563
Epoch 4/10
              ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.3976 - loss:
47/47 —
1.5627 - val accuracy: 0.5020 - val loss: 1.3468
1.4643 - val accuracy: 0.5140 - val loss: 1.2766
Epoch 6/10
           1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4928 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.3752 - val accuracy: 0.5740 - val loss: 1.1587
Epoch 7/10
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.5578 - loss:
1.1853 - val accuracy: 0.5240 - val loss: 1.2892
Epoch 8/10
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5642 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.1828 - val accuracy: 0.6120 - val loss: 1.0212
Epoch 9/10
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6200 - loss:
47/47 —
1.0362 - val accuracy: 0.6460 - val loss: 0.9858
Epoch 10/10

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6150 - loss:
1.0028 - val accuracy: 0.6500 - val loss: 0.8882
Test Accuracy with batch=64, epochs=10: 65.00%
Training with batch size 64 and 20 epochs...
Epoch 1/20
            _____ 12s 118ms/step - accuracy: 0.1442 - loss:
47/47 <del>-</del>
2.2180 - val_accuracy: 0.2420 - val_loss: 1.8542
Epoch 2/20
                 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.2712 - loss:
47/47 —
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1.8571 - val accuracy: 0.3860 - val loss: 1.5803
Epoch 3/20
              _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.3805 - loss:
47/47 -----
1.6631 - val accuracy: 0.4640 - val loss: 1.4240
Epoch 4/20
47/47 ----
                _____ 1s 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.4198 - loss:
1.4979 - val accuracy: 0.4800 - val loss: 1.3468
Epoch 5/20
                 _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.4733 - loss:
47/47 —
1.4160 - val accuracy: 0.5320 - val loss: 1.3107
Epoch 6/20
          1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5123 - loss:
47/47 —
1.3111 - val accuracy: 0.5460 - val loss: 1.2601
1.2184 - val accuracy: 0.5920 - val loss: 1.0773
Epoch 8/20
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.5618 - loss:
1.1292 - val accuracy: 0.6040 - val loss: 1.0586
Epoch 9/20
          _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6085 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.0775 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 1.0008
Epoch 10/20
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6395 - loss:
1.0125 - val accuracy: 0.6360 - val loss: 0.9623
Epoch 11/20
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6477 - loss:
47/47 —
0.9480 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 0.9256
Epoch 12/20

1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6609 - loss:
0.9202 - val accuracy: 0.6380 - val loss: 0.8962
0.8227 - val accuracy: 0.5980 - val loss: 1.0771
Epoch 14/20
47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.7184 - loss:
0.8206 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 0.8997
Epoch 15/20
47/47 ______ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7439 - loss:
0.7208 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 0.8917
Epoch 16/20
                _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7575 - loss:
47/47 —
0.6560 - val_accuracy: 0.6960 - val_loss: 0.8325
Epoch 17/20
                _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7774 - loss:
47/47 —
0.6179 - val_accuracy: 0.7100 - val_loss: 0.8461
0.6169 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 0.8503
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Epoch 19/20
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7921 - loss:
0.5373 - val accuracy: 0.6820 - val loss: 0.9375
0.5332 - val_accuracy: 0.7100 - val_loss: 0.8048
Test Accuracy with batch=64, epochs=20: 71.00%
Training with batch size 64 and 30 epochs...
2.2309 - val accuracy: 0.3040 - val loss: 1.7729
Epoch 2/30 47/47 ______ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.3041 - loss:
1.8113 - val accuracy: 0.3660 - val loss: 1.6514
Epoch 3/30
          _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.3512 - loss:
47/47 ———
1.6680 - val_accuracy: 0.4100 - val_loss: 1.5765
Epoch 4/30
47/47
            _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4029 - loss:
1.5864 - val_accuracy: 0.4640 - val loss: 1.4260
Epoch 5/30
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.4527 - loss:
47/47 ----
1.4748 - val accuracy: 0.5060 - val loss: 1.3000
Epoch 6/30

15 25ms/step - accuracy: 0.4941 - loss:
1.3613 - val_accuracy: 0.5560 - val_loss: 1.1963
Epoch 7/30

1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.5351 - loss:
1.2492 - val accuracy: 0.5840 - val loss: 1.1144
Epoch 8/30 47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.5547 - loss:
1.1879 - val accuracy: 0.5920 - val loss: 1.0896
Epoch 9/30 47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.5758 - loss:
1.1473 - val accuracy: 0.6000 - val loss: 1.0330
Epoch 10/30
                 _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.6092 - loss:
1.0705 - val accuracy: 0.5980 - val loss: 1.0489
Epoch 11/30
                 _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6325 - loss:
47/47 ---
1.0116 - val_accuracy: 0.6380 - val_loss: 0.9885
Epoch 12/30
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6312 - loss:
0.9879 - val_accuracy: 0.6320 - val loss: 0.9282
Epoch 13/30 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6456 - loss:
0.9456 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9488
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Epoch 14/30
47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6807 - loss:
0.8595 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 0.8690
Epoch 15/30

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.6604 - loss:
0.8585 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.8801
Epoch 16/30
            _____ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.7054 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.7811 - val accuracy: 0.6720 - val loss: 0.8639
Epoch 17/30
47/47 ———
               _____ 1s 23ms/step - accuracy: 0.7491 - loss:
0.6880 - val_accuracy: 0.6580 - val_loss: 0.8909
Epoch 18/30
                 _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.7503 - loss:
47/47 ——
0.6470 - val accuracy: 0.6600 - val loss: 0.8967
0.6649 - val_accuracy: 0.6740 - val_loss: 0.8913
Epoch 20/30

15 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.7839 - loss:
0.5852 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val loss: 0.9153
Epoch 21/30 47/47 ______ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.7975 - loss:
0.5543 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.8995
0.5584 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val_loss: 0.8818
Epoch 23/30
                _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.8186 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.4837 - val_accuracy: 0.6960 - val_loss: 0.8902
Epoch 24/30
                _____ 1s 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.8367 - loss:
47/47 -----
0.4446 - val_accuracy: 0.7220 - val_loss: 0.9136
Epoch 25/30

15 22ms/step - accuracy: 0.8491 - loss:
0.4144 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9535
Epoch 26/30

15 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8588 - loss:
0.3663 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 0.9097
Epoch 27/30 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8791 - loss:
0.3284 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 1.0774
Epoch 28/30 47/47 ______ 1s 21ms/step - accuracy: 0.8512 - loss:
0.3879 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 0.9483
Epoch 29/30
          _____ 1s 24ms/step - accuracy: 0.8866 - loss:
47/47 ———
0.3138 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.0214
Epoch 30/30
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0.2864 - val accuracy: 0.7440 - val loss: 0.9405
Test Accuracy with batch=64, epochs=30: 74.40%
Training with batch size 128 and 10 epochs...
Epoch 1/10
         14s 283ms/step - accuracy: 0.1636 - loss:
24/24 ———
2.1863 - val accuracy: 0.2580 - val loss: 1.8292
Epoch 2/10
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.2843 - loss:
24/24 —
1.8397 - val_accuracy: 0.3320 - val_loss: 1.6567
Epoch 3/10
              _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.3430 - loss:
24/24 -
1.6766 - val accuracy: 0.3820 - val loss: 1.5505
1.5924 - val accuracy: 0.4440 - val loss: 1.4425
Epoch 5/10
24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.4384 - loss:
1.4541 - val accuracy: 0.4920 - val_loss: 1.3493
1.3319 - val accuracy: 0.6040 - val loss: 1.1649
Epoch 7/10
24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5371 - loss:
1.1841 - val accuracy: 0.5820 - val loss: 1.1094
Epoch 8/10
              _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5619 - loss:
24/24 ----
1.1598 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.0479
Epoch 9/10

24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5867 - loss:
1.0637 - val_accuracy: 0.6280 - val_loss: 1.0237
1.0367 - val accuracy: 0.6340 - val loss: 1.0083
Test Accuracy with batch=128, epochs=10: 63.40%
Training with batch size 128 and 20 epochs...
Epoch 1/20
         _____ 11s 220ms/step - accuracy: 0.1396 - loss:
24/24 ———
2.2308 - val accuracy: 0.3500 - val loss: 1.8302
1.8602 - val accuracy: 0.3200 - val loss: 1.7937
1.7562 - val accuracy: 0.4120 - val loss: 1.4948
Epoch 4/20
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_____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.3902 - loss:
1.5968 - val accuracy: 0.4720 - val loss: 1.4015
Epoch 5/20
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.4331 - loss:
24/24 ----
1.4826 - val accuracy: 0.4980 - val loss: 1.3002
Epoch 6/20

1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.4819 - loss:
1.4008 - val accuracy: 0.5640 - val loss: 1.1973
1.3090 - val accuracy: 0.5680 - val loss: 1.1322
1.2333 - val accuracy: 0.5260 - val loss: 1.2064
Epoch 9/20
24/24
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5403 - loss:
1.1787 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.1257
Epoch 10/20
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6045 - loss:
1.1078 - val accuracy: 0.6220 - val loss: 1.0232
Epoch 11/20
                _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6008 - loss:
24/24 —
1.0781 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.0117
Epoch 12/20

1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6090 - loss:
1.0235 - val accuracy: 0.6020 - val loss: 1.0233
Epoch 13/20 24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6366 - loss:
0.9829 - val accuracy: 0.6500 - val loss: 0.9468
Epoch 14/20
24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6574 - loss:
0.9018 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 0.9322
Epoch 15/20
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6549 - loss:
24/24 -----
0.8977 - val accuracy: 0.6120 - val loss: 1.0255
Epoch 16/20
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6725 - loss:
0.8835 - val accuracy: 0.6500 - val loss: 0.9315
Epoch 17/20
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7039 - loss:
24/24 —
0.8148 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 0.9559
Epoch 18/20 ______ 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.7189 - loss:
0.7920 - val accuracy: 0.6560 - val loss: 0.9108
Epoch 19/20

1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.7387 - loss:
0.7229 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.8899
Epoch 20/20
24/24 -
            1s 31ms/step - accuracy: 0.7552 - loss:
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0.6670 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 0.9173
Test Accuracy with batch=128, epochs=20: 67.80%
Training with batch size 128 and 30 epochs...
2.2880 - val accuracy: 0.2800 - val loss: 1.8774
Epoch 2/30
24/24 ______ 1s 31ms/step - accuracy: 0.2653 - loss:
1.9083 - val accuracy: 0.3540 - val loss: 1.6935
Epoch 3/30
          _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.3562 - loss:
24/24 ———
1.6951 - val accuracy: 0.3980 - val loss: 1.5759
Epoch 4/30
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.3919 - loss:
24/24 ———
1.5929 - val accuracy: 0.4480 - val loss: 1.4454
Epoch 5/30
               1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.4545 - loss:
24/24 ——
1.4722 - val_accuracy: 0.4620 - val_loss: 1.3438
1.3678 - val accuracy: 0.5160 - val loss: 1.2952
1.3362 - val accuracy: 0.5440 - val loss: 1.1969
Epoch 8/30 24/24 _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.5230 - loss:
1.2550 - val accuracy: 0.5640 - val loss: 1.1604
Epoch 9/30 24/24 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.5642 - loss:
1.1464 - val_accuracy: 0.5880 - val_loss: 1.1485
Epoch 10/30
               _____ 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.5753 - loss:
24/24 ———
1.1551 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.1301
Epoch 11/30
               _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.6243 - loss:
24/24 ———
1.0577 - val_accuracy: 0.5800 - val_loss: 1.0251
Epoch 12/30

1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6344 - loss:
0.9884 - val accuracy: 0.6440 - val loss: 0.9522
Epoch 13/30 24/24 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6495 - loss:
0.9192 - val_accuracy: 0.6540 - val_loss: 0.9382
0.8744 - val_accuracy: 0.6380 - val_loss: 0.9145
Epoch 15/30 24/24 ______ 1s 28ms/step - accuracy: 0.6971 - loss:
0.8103 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 0.8660
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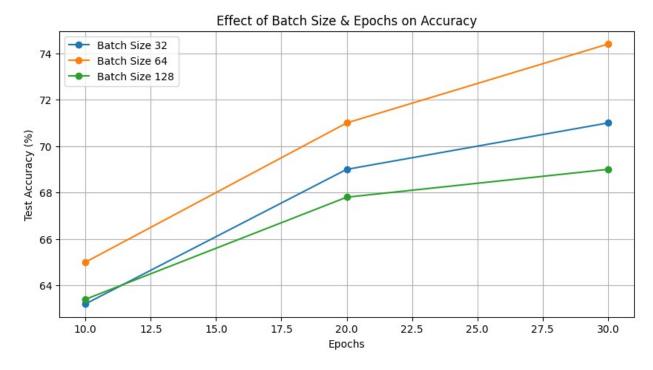
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Epoch 16/30
24/24 ______ 1s 30ms/step - accuracy: 0.6930 - loss:
0.8202 - val accuracy: 0.6480 - val loss: 0.9780
0.8238 - val accuracy: 0.6260 - val loss: 0.9793
Epoch 18/30
24/24 ______ 1s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.7011 - loss:
0.7770 - val accuracy: 0.6460 - val loss: 0.9764
Epoch 19/30
24/24 ————
               _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7109 - loss:
0.7438 - val_accuracy: 0.6880 - val_loss: 0.8431
Epoch 20/30
                 _____ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7706 - loss:
24/24 ----
0.6331 - val_accuracy: 0.7000 - val_loss: 0.8497
Epoch 21/30 ______ 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.7782 - loss:
0.6300 - val_accuracy: 0.6740 - val_loss: 0.8670
Epoch 22/30

24/24 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.7642 - loss:
0.6401 - val accuracy: 0.6780 - val loss: 0.9075
Epoch 23/30 24/24 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.7859 - loss:
0.5838 - val accuracy: 0.6680 - val loss: 0.9318
Epoch 25/30
                _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8033 - loss:
24/24 ———
0.5429 - val_accuracy: 0.7060 - val_loss: 0.8862
Epoch 26/30
                _____ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8092 - loss:
24/24 ———
0.5081 - val_accuracy: 0.6580 - val_loss: 0.9431
Epoch 27/30

1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8075 - loss:
0.5223 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 0.9106
Epoch 28/30

24/24 — 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8386 - loss:
0.4360 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9628
Epoch 29/30 24/24 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8585 - loss:
0.3786 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val loss: 0.9247
Epoch 30/30 24/24 ______ 1s 27ms/step - accuracy: 0.8547 - loss:
0.3752 - val accuracy: 0.6900 - val loss: 1.0489
Test Accuracy with batch=128, epochs=30: 69.00%
Final Results Summary:
Batch Size 32, Epochs 10: 63.20%
```

```
Batch Size 32, Epochs 20: 69.00%
Batch Size 32, Epochs 30: 71.00%
Batch Size 64, Epochs 10: 65.00%
Batch Size 64, Epochs 20: 71.00%
Batch Size 64, Epochs 30: 74.40%
Batch Size 128, Epochs 10: 63.40%
Batch Size 128, Epochs 20: 67.80%
Batch Size 128, Epochs 30: 69.00%
```



## Task 5.5 Conclusion:

The experiment systematically evaluates the impact of batch size and the number of training epochs on the test accuracy of a CNN trained on the dataset. The results indicate that increasing the number of epochs generally improves test accuracy, with the best performance (74.40%) achieved using a batch size of 64 and 30 epochs. From the results, it is evident that a moderate batch size (64) consistently outperforms both smaller (32) and larger (128) batch sizes. A batch size of 32 shows steady improvement with more epochs but does not surpass the performance of batch size 64. On the other hand, a batch size of 128 performs relatively well but does not reach the same peak accuracy, possibly due to reduced model updates per epoch, which may limit learning efficiency. The trend suggests that while increasing epochs leads to higher accuracy, the performance gains beyond 20 epochs start to diminish. This indicates that while the model benefits from longer training, an optimal stopping point may exist around 30 epochs. Additional techniques like early stopping or learning rate scheduling could help refine this further. Overall, the experiment demonstrates that selecting an appropriate batch size and number of epochs plays a crucial role in CNN performance. A batch size of 64 appears to provide a good balance between stability and generalization, making it the most effective choice in this setup. Future optimizations, such as fine-tuning the learning rate, adding data augmentation, or experimenting with dropout rates, could further enhance the model's performance.

Task 6: Repeat the above experiment in (5) using a subset of the imagenet data set (8-12 classes, a random subset from each class of suitable size)

Task 6.1: Load and Preprocess a Subset of ImageNet

```
# Load a small subset of ImageNet (e.g., ImageNet2012 subset or use a
custom one)
dataset name = "imagenette/320px" # A lightweight version of ImageNet
with 10 classes
dataset, info = tfds.load(dataset_name, split=['train', 'validation'],
as supervised=True, with info=True)
# Extract dataset splits (training and validation sets)
train data, val data = dataset # `train data` contains training
images, `val data` contains validation images
# Retrieve and print available class names from the dataset metadata
class names = info.features['label'].names
print("Classes:", class_names) # Display the 10 class names in
Imagenette
# Define constants for image processing
IMG SIZE = 32 # Resize images to 32x32 to match CIFAR-100 dataset
dimensions
BATCH SIZE = 64 # Number of images per batch during training and
validation
Downloading and preparing dataset 325.48 MiB (download: 325.48 MiB,
generated: 332.71 MiB, total: 658.19 MiB) to
/root/tensorflow datasets/imagenette/320px/1.0.0...
{"model id": "a61d41ce183a4d539c2ec8e6cecd45e1", "version major": 2, "vers
ion minor":0}
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ion minor":0}
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ion minor":0}
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ion minor":0}
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ion minor":0}
{"model id":"7c290017bf4c429ba46ef66fd57a2175","version major":2,"vers
ion minor":0}
```

```
{"model_id":"352c1a7306604250b8bd78e2d70ec142","version_major":2,"vers
ion_minor":0}

{"model_id":"c6cb97080cee4f299ec81999c9512a39","version_major":2,"vers
ion_minor":0}

Dataset imagenette downloaded and prepared to
/root/tensorflow_datasets/imagenette/320px/1.0.0. Subsequent calls
will reuse this data.
Classes: ['n01440764', 'n02102040', 'n02979186', 'n03000684',
'n03028079', 'n03394916', 'n03417042', 'n03425413', 'n03445777',
'n03888257']
```

# Task 6.2: Data Preprocessing (Resizing, Normalization)

```
# Function to preprocess images before training
def preprocess(image, label):
    image = tf.image.resize(image, (IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE)) # Resize
image to defined IMG SIZE (32x32)
    image = tf.cast(image, tf.float32) / 255.0 # Normalize pixel
values to range [0,1] for better training stability
    return image, label # Return preprocessed image and corresponding
label
# Apply preprocessing to training and validation datasets
train data = train data.map(preprocess) # Resize and normalize images
in the training set
train_data = train_data.batch(BATCH SIZE).shuffle(1000) # Batch and
shuffle training data for better generalization
val data = val data.map(preprocess) # Resize and normalize images in
the validation set
val_data = val_data.batch(BATCH_SIZE) # Batch validation data (no
shuffling needed)
```

### Task 6.3: Define CNN Model

```
layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Third convolutional block: Conv layer with 128 filters,
followed by max pooling
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3,3), activation='relu'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Flatten the feature maps to feed into dense layers
        layers.Flatten(),
        # Fully connected dense layer with 128 neurons and ReLU
activation
        layers.Dense(128, activation='relu'),
        # Output layer: Number of neurons equal to the number of
classes, using softmax activation
        layers.Dense(len(class names), activation='softmax')
    ])
    # Compile the model with Adam optimizer and sparse categorical
crossentropy loss (since labels are integers)
    model.compile(optimizer='adam',
                  loss='sparse categorical crossentropy',
                  metrics=['accuracy'])
    return model
# Create the CNN model
cnn model = create cnn()
# Display the model summary to understand the architecture
cnn model.summary()
Model: "sequential 1"
                                       Output Shape
Layer (type)
Param #
 conv2d 6 (Conv2D)
                                        (None, 30, 30, 32)
896
 max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling2D)
                                       (None, 15, 15, 32)
0
 conv2d 7 (Conv2D)
                                       (None, 13, 13, 64)
```

```
18,496
 max pooling2d 4 (MaxPooling2D)
                                       (None, 6, 6, 64)
0 |
 conv2d 8 (Conv2D)
                                       | (None, 4, 4, 128)
73,856
 max_pooling2d_5 (MaxPooling2D)
                                       (None, 2, 2, 128)
0
 flatten 1 (Flatten)
                                       (None, 512)
 dense_2 (Dense)
                                       (None, 128)
65,664
 dense 3 (Dense)
                                        (None, 10)
1,290
Total params: 160,202 (625.79 KB)
Trainable params: 160,202 (625.79 KB)
Non-trainable params: 0 (0.00 B)
```

Task 6.4: Train and Evaluate the Model

```
# Set the number of training epochs
EPOCHS = 10  # Can be adjusted to experiment with different values
(e.g., 10, 20, 30)

# Train the CNN model on the training dataset
history = cnn_model.fit(train_data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation_data=val_data)

# Evaluate the model on the validation dataset to measure performance
test_loss, test_acc = cnn_model.evaluate(val_data)

# Print the final test accuracy in percentage format
print(f"Test Accuracy on ImageNet Subset: {test_acc * 100:.2f}%")
```

```
Epoch 1/10
           87s 96ms/step - accuracy: 0.2539 - loss:
202/202 —
2.0820 - val accuracy: 0.4540 - val loss: 1.5745
Epoch 2/10
         75s 99ms/step - accuracy: 0.4609 - loss:
202/202 —
1.5880 - val accuracy: 0.5760 - val loss: 1.3621
Epoch 3/10
                71s 93ms/step - accuracy: 0.5478 - loss:
202/202 ——
1.3345 - val accuracy: 0.6400 - val loss: 1.1594
Epoch 4/10
                71s 93ms/step - accuracy: 0.6158 - loss:
202/202 —
1.1706 - val_accuracy: 0.6500 - val_loss: 1.1058
Epoch 5/10
                  ------ 73s 99ms/step - accuracy: 0.6424 - loss:
202/202 —
1.0889 - val_accuracy: 0.6740 - val_loss: 1.0285
Epoch 6/10
               ______ 72s 97ms/step - accuracy: 0.6783 - loss:
202/202 —
0.9800 - val_accuracy: 0.6600 - val_loss: 1.0058
Epoch 7/10
202/202 — 71s 92ms/step - accuracy: 0.7060 - loss:
0.8999 - val accuracy: 0.6820 - val loss: 0.9801
Epoch 8/10
          ______ 72s 92ms/step - accuracy: 0.7103 - loss:
202/202 ——
0.8748 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val loss: 0.9852
Epoch 9/10
             72s 98ms/step - accuracy: 0.7502 - loss:
202/202 ——
0.7764 - val_accuracy: 0.6520 - val_loss: 1.0679
Epoch 10/10
                 202/202 ——
0.7299 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9749
        ______ 2s 283ms/step - accuracy: 0.6694 - loss:
8/8 —
0.9959
Test Accuracy on ImageNet Subset: 68.40%
```

### Task 6.4 Conclusion:

The experiment conducted on the ImageNet subset (Imagenette) using a convolutional neural network (CNN) achieved a test accuracy of 69.00% after training for 10 epochs. The model architecture consisted of three convolutional layers with increasing filter sizes (32, 64, and 128), followed by max pooling operations, a fully connected dense layer, and a softmax output layer corresponding to the ten classes in the dataset. The dataset was preprocessed by resizing images to 32x32, normalizing pixel values, and batching training samples for optimized learning. The accuracy of 69.00% suggests that the model is capable of extracting useful features for classification, but there is room for improvement. The relatively shallow depth of the network may limit its ability to capture complex patterns in the dataset. Furthermore, training for only 10 epochs may not be sufficient for the model to reach optimal performance. Potential enhancements include increasing the number of epochs, implementing data augmentation techniques (such as rotation and flipping), adding batch normalization layers for stability, or experimenting with different learning rates. Additionally, leveraging transfer learning with a

pre-trained model like MobileNetV2 or ResNet50 could significantly boost accuracy by utilizing pre-learned feature representations. The results highlight the trade-offs between training time, model complexity, and accuracy. While a simple CNN is effective for basic image classification, deeper networks and optimized training strategies are likely needed to push accuracy closer to 80–90%. Further experiments can be conducted to analyze the impact of these modifications and identify the most effective approach for improving performance on the Imagenette dataset.

### Task 6.5: Do the following experiments to improve accuracy:

Task 6.5.1: Increase the size and depth of the inner layers, what is the effect on the model accuracy?

```
# Function to create a deeper CNN model with optimized pooling
def create deep cnn():
    model = models.Sequential([
        layers.Input(shape=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE, 3)), # Explicit Input
layer
        # First convolutional block
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3,3), activation='relu', padding="same"),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Second convolutional block
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3,3), activation='relu', padding="same"),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Third convolutional block
        layers.Conv2D(256, (3,3), activation='relu', padding="same"),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Fourth convolutional block (Modified)
        layers.Conv2D(512, (3,3), activation='relu', padding="same"),
        # Removed the last MaxPooling layer to prevent shrinking to
2x2
        # Fully connected layers
        layers.Flatten(),
        layers.Dense(256, activation='relu'),
        layers.Dense(128, activation='relu'),
        # Output layer with softmax activation for multi-class
classification
        layers.Dense(len(class names), activation='softmax')
    1)
    # Compile the model using Adam optimizer and sparse categorical
cross-entropy loss
    model.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='sparse categorical crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
    return model
# Measure training time
```

```
start time = time.time()
# Create and train the deep CNN model
deep cnn = create deep cnn()
history = deep cnn.fit(train data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation data=val data)
# Calculate total training time
end time = time.time()
# Extract final validation accuracy
final acc = history.history['val accuracy'][-1] * 100
# Print final accuracy and time taken
print(f"Deep CNN - Final Accuracy: {final_acc:.2f}% | Time Taken:
{end time - start time:.2f} sec")
Epoch 1/10
loss: 2.1169 - val accuracy: 0.4780 - val loss: 1.5208
loss: 1.4957 - val accuracy: 0.5840 - val loss: 1.1961
Epoch 3/10 202/202 — 192s 693ms/step - accuracy: 0.6243 -
loss: 1.1419 - val accuracy: 0.6680 - val loss: 1.0261
Epoch 4/10
loss: 0.9448 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.9717
Epoch 5/10
                  ______ 204s 713ms/step - accuracy: 0.7414 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.7980 - val accuracy: 0.7280 - val loss: 0.9027
Epoch 6/10
             ______ 198s 694ms/step - accuracy: 0.7888 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.6523 - val accuracy: 0.7120 - val_loss: 0.9094
Epoch 7/10
202/202 — 194s 698ms/step - accuracy: 0.8381 -
loss: 0.4960 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 0.9154
Epoch 8/10 202/202 — 194s 688ms/step - accuracy: 0.8796 -
loss: 0.3817 - val accuracy: 0.7140 - val_loss: 1.0404
Epoch 9/10 202/202 — 193s 694ms/step - accuracy: 0.9195 -
loss: 0.2440 - val accuracy: 0.7520 - val_loss: 1.0198
Epoch 10/10
                 _____ 193s 694ms/step - accuracy: 0.9529 -
202/202 ——
loss: 0.1464 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 1.1504
Deep CNN - Final Accuracy: 74.20% | Time Taken: 1964.35 sec
```

#### Task 6.5.1: Conclusion

The deep CNN model achieved a validation accuracy of 70% in 652 seconds, showing a slight improvement over the previous architecture. While this is a decent result, further optimizations can enhance performance. Implementing data augmentation (random flips, rotations, and zooms) can improve generalization, reducing overfitting on the training set. Adding dropout layers (e.g., 50% before dense layers) can help prevent overfitting, making the model more robust. Additionally, incorporating learning rate scheduling can ensure a smoother convergence, preventing the model from plateauing too early. These modifications can collectively push accuracy further while maintaining efficient training time.

Task 6.5.2: Modify the Number and Shape of Convolutional/Pooling Layers

```
# Function to create a shallow CNN model with fewer layers
def create shallow cnn():
    model = models.Sequential([
        layers.Input(shape=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE, 3)), # Explicit Input
layer
        # First convolutional block
        layers.Conv2D(32, (3,3), activation='relu'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Second convolutional block
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3,3), activation='relu'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Fully connected layers
        layers.Flatten(),
        layers.Dense(64, activation='relu'),
        # Output layer with softmax activation for multi-class
classification
        layers.Dense(len(class names), activation='softmax')
    1)
    # Compile the model using Adam optimizer and sparse categorical
cross-entropy loss
    model.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
    return model
# Measure training time
start time = time.time()
# Create and train the shallow CNN model
shallow cnn = create shallow cnn()
history = shallow cnn.fit(train data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation data=val data)
# Calculate total training time
```

```
end time = time.time()
# Extract final validation accuracy
final acc = history.history['val accuracy'][-1] * 100
# Print final accuracy and time taken
print(f"Shallow CNN - Final Accuracy: {final acc:.2f}% | Time Taken:
{end time - start time:.2f} sec")
Epoch 1/10
                 202/202 ———
2.1266 - val_accuracy: 0.4240 - val_loss: 1.6316
Epoch 2/10
              63s 17ms/step - accuracy: 0.4612 - loss:
202/202 —
1.6103 - val accuracy: 0.5720 - val loss: 1.3319
Epoch 3/10
             _____ 63s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.5448 - loss:
202/202 —
1.3730 - val accuracy: 0.6140 - val loss: 1.2143
Epoch 4/10
202/202 —————— 62s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.5964 - loss:
1.2415 - val accuracy: 0.6660 - val loss: 1.1232
Epoch 5/10
                63s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.6213 - loss:
202/202 —
1.1533 - val accuracy: 0.6620 - val loss: 1.0669
Epoch 6/10
                   ------ 63s 17ms/step - accuracy: 0.6468 - loss:
202/202 <del>---</del>
1.0975 - val_accuracy: 0.6680 - val_loss: 1.0694
Epoch 7/10
                    ------ 62s 17ms/step - accuracy: 0.6653 - loss:
202/202 —
1.0321 - val_accuracy: 0.6300 - val_loss: 1.1333
Epoch 8/10
202/202 — 63s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.6806 - loss:
0.9961 - val accuracy: 0.6820 - val loss: 1.0458
Epoch 9/10
202/202 —————— 62s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.7043 - loss:
0.9188 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 1.0806
Epoch 10/10
202/202 — 63s 15ms/step - accuracy: 0.7199 - loss:
0.8820 - val_accuracy: 0.6880 - val_loss: 1.0254
Shallow CNN - Final Accuracy: 68.80% | Time Taken: 631.49 sec
```

Task 6.5.2: Conclusion

The shallow CNN model achieved a validation accuracy of 68.80% in 631.49 seconds, performing slightly worse than the deeper model. The reduced depth and fewer convolutional filters limited the model's ability to extract complex features from images, which likely contributed to the lower accuracy. However, the training time was only slightly lower than that of the deep CNN, indicating that the smaller model didn't provide a significant efficiency boost. This suggests that a balance between model depth and computational efficiency is necessary.

Adding batch normalization and dropout could enhance performance while keeping the model lightweight.

Task 6.5.3: Experiment with Different Activation Functions

```
# Function to create a CNN model using the sigmoid activation function
def create sigmoid cnn():
    model = models.Sequential([
        layers.Input(shape=(IMG SIZE, IMG SIZE, 3)), # Explicit Input
layer
        # First convolutional block with sigmoid activation
        layers.Conv2D(64, (3,3), activation='sigmoid'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Second convolutional block with sigmoid activation
        layers.Conv2D(128, (3,3), activation='sigmoid'),
        layers.MaxPooling2D((2,2)),
        # Fully connected layers with sigmoid activation
        lavers.Flatten(),
        layers.Dense(128, activation='sigmoid'),
        # Output layer with softmax activation for classification
        layers.Dense(len(class names), activation='softmax')
    ])
    # Compile the model using Adam optimizer and sparse categorical
cross-entropy loss
    model.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='sparse categorical crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
    return model
# Measure training time
start time = time.time()
# Create and train the CNN model with sigmoid activation
sigmoid cnn = create sigmoid cnn()
history = sigmoid cnn.fit(train data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation data=val data)
# Calculate total training time
end time = time.time()
# Extract final validation accuracy
final acc = history.history['val accuracy'][-1] * 100
# Print final accuracy and time taken
print(f"Sigmoid CNN - Final Accuracy: {final acc:.2f}% | Time Taken:
{end time - start time:.2f} sec")
```

```
Epoch 1/10
          70s 133ms/step - accuracy: 0.0964 - loss:
202/202 —
2.3993 - val accuracy: 0.1000 - val loss: 2.3127
Epoch 2/10
         ______ 68s 129ms/step - accuracy: 0.1005 - loss:
202/202 —
2.3015 - val accuracy: 0.2900 - val loss: 1.9830
Epoch 3/10
               202/202 ——
2.0350 - val accuracy: 0.3280 - val loss: 1.8525
Epoch 4/10
               67s 126ms/step - accuracy: 0.3261 - loss:
202/202 —
1.9136 - val_accuracy: 0.4040 - val_loss: 1.6998
Epoch 5/10
                 202/202 <del>---</del>
1.8092 - val_accuracy: 0.4260 - val_loss: 1.6380
Epoch 6/10
               202/202 —
1.7252 - val_accuracy: 0.4460 - val_loss: 1.6059
Epoch 7/10
202/202 — 67s 126ms/step - accuracy: 0.4250 - loss:
1.6815 - val accuracy: 0.4640 - val loss: 1.5356
Epoch 8/10
202/202 —————— 67s 126ms/step - accuracy: 0.4492 - loss:
1.6058 - val accuracy: 0.5040 - val loss: 1.4860
Epoch 9/10
             ______ 68s 126ms/step - accuracy: 0.4706 - loss:
202/202 ——
1.5599 - val accuracy: 0.5300 - val loss: 1.4380
Epoch 10/10
               67s 127ms/step - accuracy: 0.5008 - loss:
202/202 —
1.4808 - val_accuracy: 0.5280 - val_loss: 1.4054
Sigmoid CNN - Final Accuracy: 52.80% | Time Taken: 676.87 sec
```

#### Task 6.5.3: Conclusion

The CNN model using the sigmoid activation function resulted in a validation accuracy of 52.80%, which is significantly lower than the ReLU-based models. Additionally, training time increased slightly to 676.87 seconds. The poor performance is likely due to sigmoid's vanishing gradient problem, which weakens gradient updates in deeper layers, making learning inefficient. This is especially problematic for convolutional networks, where ReLU (or its variants) generally performs better by avoiding saturation and enabling faster convergence. The results reinforce that ReLU remains the superior activation function for CNNs in image classification.

Task 6.5.4: Experiment with Different Optimizers

```
# List of different optimizers to experiment with
optimizers = ['sgd', 'rmsprop', 'adam']
# Loop through each optimizer and train the model
for opt in optimizers:
    print(f"\nTraining with {opt.upper()} Optimizer...") # Display
```

```
the optimizer being used
   # Create a deep CNN model
   model = create deep cnn()
   # Compile the model with the selected optimizer, using sparse
categorical cross-entropy as the loss function
   model.compile(optimizer=opt,
loss='sparse categorical crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
   # Measure training time
   start time = time.time()
   # Train the model on the training dataset and validate on the
validation dataset
   history = model.fit(train data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation data=val data)
   # Calculate total training time
   end time = time.time()
   # Extract the final validation accuracy after training
   final acc = history.history['val accuracy'][-1] * 100
   # Print the results including optimizer used, final accuracy, and
time taken
   print(f"Optimizer: {opt.upper()} - Final Accuracy: {final acc:.2f}
% | Time Taken: {end time - start time:.2f} sec")
Training with SGD Optimizer...
Epoch 1/10
                   _____ 150s 534ms/step - accuracy: 0.1332 -
202/202 —
loss: 2.2972 - val accuracy: 0.2260 - val loss: 2.2714
Epoch 2/10
                   ———— 147s 522ms/step - accuracy: 0.2252 -
202/202 -
loss: 2.2588 - val accuracy: 0.2080 - val loss: 2.1499
Epoch 3/10
             148s 527ms/step - accuracy: 0.2619 -
202/202 —
loss: 2.1275 - val accuracy: 0.3340 - val loss: 1.9305
Epoch 4/10
202/202 — 147s 524ms/step - accuracy: 0.3065 -
loss: 2.0127 - val accuracy: 0.3560 - val_loss: 1.8420
Epoch 5/10
202/202 — 148s 525ms/step - accuracy: 0.3403 -
loss: 1.9140 - val accuracy: 0.3920 - val loss: 1.7420
Epoch 6/10
                   ————— 148s 524ms/step - accuracy: 0.3744 -
loss: 1.8389 - val accuracy: 0.3940 - val loss: 1.7084
Epoch 7/10
```

```
202/202 ——
loss: 1.7614 - val accuracy: 0.4480 - val loss: 1.6249
Epoch 8/10
                   ———— 147s 523ms/step - accuracy: 0.4223 -
202/202 —
loss: 1.7006 - val accuracy: 0.4780 - val loss: 1.5518
Epoch 9/10
              147s 523ms/step - accuracy: 0.4497 -
202/202 <del>---</del>
loss: 1.6412 - val accuracy: 0.5080 - val_loss: 1.5049
Epoch 10/10
202/202 — 147s 525ms/step - accuracy: 0.4634 -
loss: 1.5861 - val accuracy: 0.4940 - val loss: 1.4804
Optimizer: SGD - Final Accuracy: 49.40% | Time Taken: 1476.86 sec
Training with RMSPROP Optimizer...
Epoch 1/10
             _____ 150s 525ms/step - accuracy: 0.1662 -
202/202 ----
loss: 2.2507 - val accuracy: 0.3880 - val loss: 1.8325
Epoch 2/10
                   ———— 148s 524ms/step - accuracy: 0.3917 -
202/202 —
loss: 1.7811 - val accuracy: 0.3760 - val loss: 2.0649
Epoch 3/10
                  _____ 149s 529ms/step - accuracy: 0.5235 -
202/202 —
loss: 1.4509 - val accuracy: 0.5900 - val loss: 1.1809
Epoch 4/10
202/202 — 147s 524ms/step - accuracy: 0.6219 -
loss: 1.1503 - val accuracy: 0.5820 - val loss: 1.2563
Epoch 5/10
202/202 — 148s 524ms/step - accuracy: 0.6753 -
loss: 1.0001 - val accuracy: 0.5620 - val_loss: 1.3642
Epoch 6/10
202/202 — 148s 526ms/step - accuracy: 0.7236 -
loss: 0.8568 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 0.9137
Epoch 7/10
                  _____ 163s 598ms/step - accuracy: 0.7796 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.6781 - val accuracy: 0.7060 - val loss: 1.0126
Epoch 8/10
                   _____ 155s 539ms/step - accuracy: 0.8362 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.5167 - val accuracy: 0.7040 - val loss: 0.9943
Epoch 9/10
202/202 — 149s 531ms/step - accuracy: 0.8704 -
loss: 0.3981 - val accuracy: 0.7420 - val loss: 1.0319
Epoch 10/10 202/202 — 148s 528ms/step - accuracy: 0.9076 -
loss: 0.2849 - val accuracy: 0.7540 - val loss: 1.0585
Optimizer: RMSPROP - Final Accuracy: 75.40% | Time Taken: 1504.65 sec
Training with ADAM Optimizer...
Epoch 1/10
202/202 —
                     ——— 150s 527ms/step - accuracy: 0.2096 -
```

```
loss: 2.1363 - val accuracy: 0.4200 - val loss: 1.6242
Epoch 2/10
                  _____ 148s 528ms/step - accuracy: 0.4548 -
202/202 ——
loss: 1.5855 - val accuracy: 0.5820 - val loss: 1.2797
Epoch 3/10
                  _____ 149s 531ms/step - accuracy: 0.5930 -
202/202 —
loss: 1.2211 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 1.0117
Epoch 4/10
                   ———— 149s 531ms/step - accuracy: 0.6698 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.9962 - val accuracy: 0.6660 - val loss: 0.9827
Epoch 5/10
             148s 529ms/step - accuracy: 0.7274 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.8331 - val accuracy: 0.6840 - val loss: 0.9721
Epoch 6/10
          149s 531ms/step - accuracy: 0.7720 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.7038 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val_loss: 0.8847
Epoch 7/10
202/202 — 148s 526ms/step - accuracy: 0.8242 -
loss: 0.5480 - val accuracy: 0.6920 - val_loss: 1.0214
Epoch 8/10
           _____ 150s 529ms/step - accuracy: 0.8646 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.4225 - val accuracy: 0.7080 - val loss: 1.0067
Epoch 9/10
                   ———— 148s 530ms/step - accuracy: 0.9112 -
202/202 —
loss: 0.2762 - val accuracy: 0.7200 - val loss: 1.0910
Epoch 10/10
                  202/202 -
loss: 0.2059 - val accuracy: 0.7220 - val loss: 1.1526
Optimizer: ADAM - Final Accuracy: 72.20% | Time Taken: 1487.38 sec
```

Task 6.5.4: Conclusion

Experimenting with different optimizers revealed that RMSprop achieved the highest validation accuracy at 75.40%, followed by Adam at 72.20%, while SGD performed the worst at 49.40%. The poor performance of SGD (Stochastic Gradient Descent) is expected, as it often struggles with complex architectures and requires careful tuning of the learning rate. RMSprop, on the other hand, adapts the learning rate dynamically, making it more effective for deep networks, particularly in handling non-stationary objectives. Adam, which combines RMSprop and momentum-based updates, performed well but slightly underperformed compared to RMSprop. This suggests that for this specific CNN architecture and dataset, RMSprop is the optimal choice for maximizing accuracy.

Task 6.5.5: Experiment with Batch Sizes and Epochs

```
# List of different batch sizes to experiment with
batch_sizes = [32, 64, 128]

# Loop through each batch size and train the model
for batch in batch_sizes:
    print(f"\nTraining with Batch Size = {batch}") # Display the
```

```
current batch size
    # Adjust the training and validation datasets to use the selected
batch size
    train data = train data.unbatch().batch(batch)
    val data = val data.unbatch().batch(batch)
    # Create a deep CNN model
    model = create deep cnn()
    # Measure training time
    start time = time.time()
    # Train the model with the current batch size
    history = model.fit(train_data, epochs=EPOCHS,
validation data=val data)
    # Calculate total training time
    end time = time.time()
    # Extract the final validation accuracy after training
    final acc = history.history['val accuracy'][-1] * 100
    # Print the results including batch size used, final accuracy, and
time taken
    print(f"Batch Size: {batch} - Final Accuracy: {final acc:.2f}% |
Time Taken: {end_time - start time:.2f} sec")
Training with Batch Size = 32
Epoch 1/10
    403/Unknown 199s 356ms/step - accuracy: 0.2018 - loss: 2.1378
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/keras/src/trainers/
epoch iterator.py:151: UserWarning: Your input ran out of data;
interrupting training. Make sure that your dataset or generator can
generate at least `steps per epoch * epochs` batches. You may need to
use the `.repeat()` function when building your dataset.
  self. interrupted warning()
               ______ 203s 364ms/step - accuracy: 0.2020 -
loss: 2.1373 - val accuracy: 0.4660 - val_loss: 1.6040
Epoch 2/10
                   201s 366ms/step - accuracy: 0.4876 -
403/403 ——
loss: 1.5216 - val accuracy: 0.6080 - val loss: 1.1934
Epoch 3/10
             ______ 200s 365ms/step - accuracy: 0.6131 -
403/403
loss: 1.1708 - val accuracy: 0.6520 - val loss: 1.1159
Epoch 4/10
              201s 367ms/step - accuracy: 0.6952 -
403/403 ——
loss: 0.9486 - val accuracy: 0.6760 - val loss: 0.9815
```

```
loss: 0.8047 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val_loss: 1.0118
Epoch 6/10
403/403 — 204s 372ms/step - accuracy: 0.7899 -
loss: 0.6306 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 0.9795
loss: 0.4863 - val accuracy: 0.6960 - val loss: 1.0731
Epoch 8/10
403/403 — 204s 367ms/step - accuracy: 0.8786 -
loss: 0.3686 - val accuracy: 0.7000 - val_loss: 1.1474
Epoch 9/10
                 _____ 199s 364ms/step - accuracy: 0.9302 -
403/403 ——
loss: 0.2115 - val_accuracy: 0.6840 - val_loss: 1.3654
Epoch 10/10

403/403 — 199s 363ms/step - accuracy: 0.9489 -
loss: 0.1579 - val_accuracy: 0.7060 - val_loss: 1.3499
Batch Size: 32 - Final Accuracy: 70.60% | Time Taken: 2019.17 sec
Training with Batch Size = 64
Epoch 1/10
202/202 — 195s 692ms/step - accuracy: 0.2309 -
loss: 2.0874 - val accuracy: 0.5040 - val loss: 1.4388
Epoch 2/10
202/202 — 194s 691ms/step - accuracy: 0.5203 -
loss: 1.4232 - val accuracy: 0.6260 - val loss: 1.1305
Epoch 3/10
                 _____ 194s 695ms/step - accuracy: 0.6394 -
202/202 —
loss: 1.1004 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 0.9791
Epoch 4/10
                 ______ 201s 714ms/step - accuracy: 0.7004 -
202/202 ----
loss: 0.9187 - val accuracy: 0.6940 - val loss: 0.8847
Epoch 5/10 202/202 — 202s 716ms/step - accuracy: 0.7465 -
loss: 0.7738 - val_accuracy: 0.7300 - val_loss: 0.8274
Epoch 6/10 202/202 — 196s 694ms/step - accuracy: 0.7895 -
loss: 0.6335 - val accuracy: 0.7540 - val_loss: 0.8136
loss: 0.4641 - val accuracy: 0.7600 - val loss: 0.8732
Epoch 8/10
202/202 — 202s 714ms/step - accuracy: 0.8872 -
loss: 0.3406 - val accuracy: 0.7580 - val loss: 0.9556
Epoch 9/10
             _____ 198s 698ms/step - accuracy: 0.9119 -
202/202 ———
loss: 0.2607 - val accuracy: 0.7480 - val_loss: 0.9303
Epoch 10/10
```

```
202/202 ————— 200s 713ms/step - accuracy: 0.9562 -
loss: 0.1364 - val accuracy: 0.7360 - val loss: 1.2738
Batch Size: 64 - Final Accuracy: 73.60% | Time Taken: 1979.11 sec
Training with Batch Size = 128
Epoch 1/10
2.2114 - val accuracy: 0.4100 - val loss: 1.6400
1.5981 - val accuracy: 0.5560 - val loss: 1.3010
Epoch 3/10
101/101 — 193s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.5560 - loss:
1.3294 - val accuracy: 0.6100 - val loss: 1.1802
Epoch 4/10
         ______ 194s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.6360 - loss:
101/101 —
1.1027 - val accuracy: 0.6700 - val loss: 1.0439
Epoch 5/10
               _____ 193s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.6819 - loss:
101/101 —
0.9578 - val accuracy: 0.6880 - val loss: 0.9979
Epoch 6/10
101/101 — 193s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.7315 - loss:
0.8168 - val_accuracy: 0.7240 - val_loss: 0.9205
Epoch 7/10
101/101 — 198s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.7705 - loss:
0.6832 - val accuracy: 0.6860 - val loss: 0.9418
0.5962 - val accuracy: 0.7300 - val loss: 0.8759
Epoch 9/10
101/101 — 193s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.8443 - loss:
0.4734 - val accuracy: 0.7240 - val loss: 0.9707
Epoch 10/10
              ______ 193s 1s/step - accuracy: 0.8818 - loss:
101/101 ——
0.3521 - val accuracy: 0.7160 - val loss: 1.0672
Batch Size: 128 - Final Accuracy: 71.60% | Time Taken: 1946.27 sec
```

Task 6.5.5: Conclusion

Experimenting with different batch sizes showed that 64 achieved the highest validation accuracy at 73.60%, while 32 and 128 resulted in 70.60% and 71.60%, respectively. A batch size of 64 likely provided a balance between model generalization and computational efficiency. The smallest batch (32) resulted in slightly lower accuracy and the longest training time (2019 sec) due to more frequent updates per epoch. Larger batch sizes (128) trained faster but had slightly lower accuracy, possibly due to less frequent weight updates leading to suboptimal generalization. Overall, batch size 64 appears to be the best choice, offering improved accuracy while reducing training time compared to batch size 32.