50.039 Theory and Practice of Deep Learning W10-S1 Generative Models in Deep Learning

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Outline

In this lecture

- Autoencoders definition
- Autoencoders with fully connected layers
- Fractionally strided convolution layers
- Autoencoders with convolutions and deconvolutions
- Autoencoder uses

In the next lectures

- Variational Autoencoder and noisy latent representations
- Generative Adversarial Networks
- More advanced GANs

What we have done so far

All our models so far had something in common:

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E.g. Receiving Tabular data, images, time series, words graphs as inputs and predicting a single value (regression) or a given class in a finite number of classes (much smaller).

Only Seq2Seq models and SkipGram models somehow broke this idea. (But SkipGram was not doing so great anyway).

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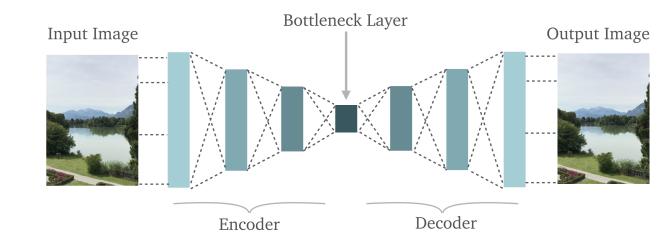
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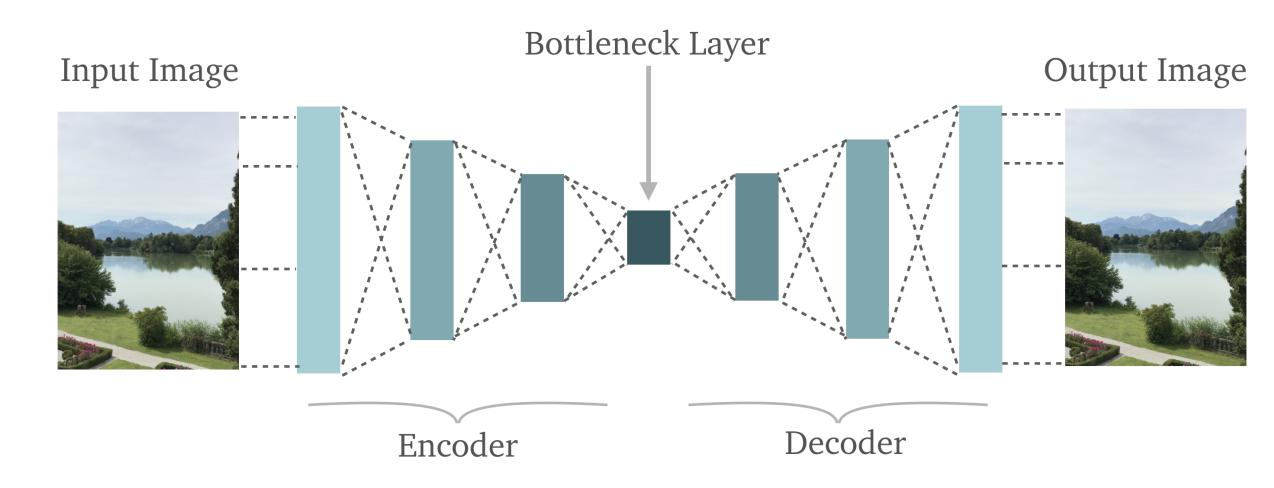
Question:

→ Does that mean it is impossible for Deep Learning models to have a higher dimensionality for outputs?

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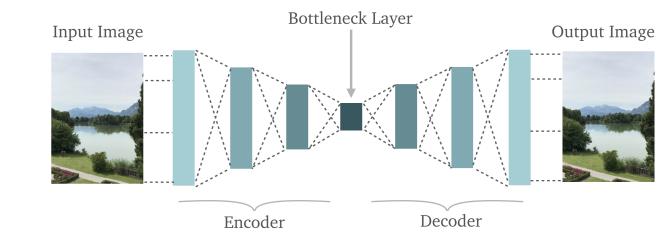




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It has an internal (hidden) layer that describes a code used to represent the input, and is called the feature representation or latent representation of the input.

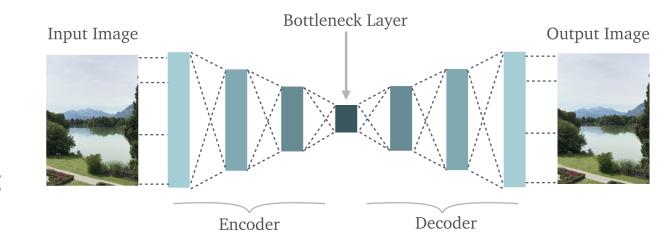


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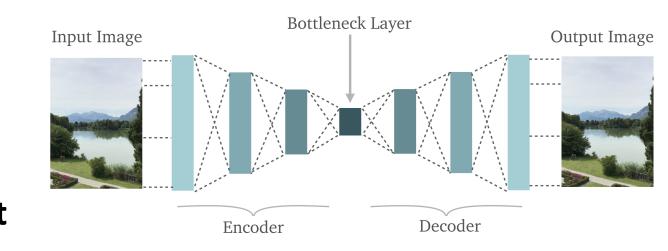
- an encoder that maps the input into the code,
- and a decoder that maps the code to a reconstruction of the input.



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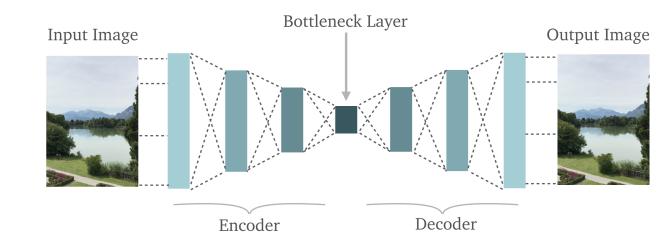
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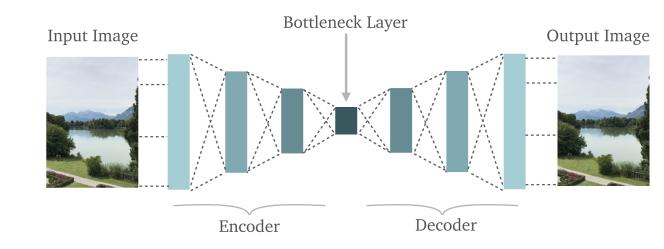
AutoEncoders are (un)supervised artificial neural networks, which

- learn how to efficiently compress and encode data,
- and then learns how to reconstruct the data back from the reduced encoded representation to a representation that is as close to the original input as possible.



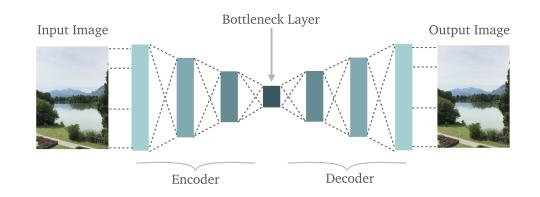
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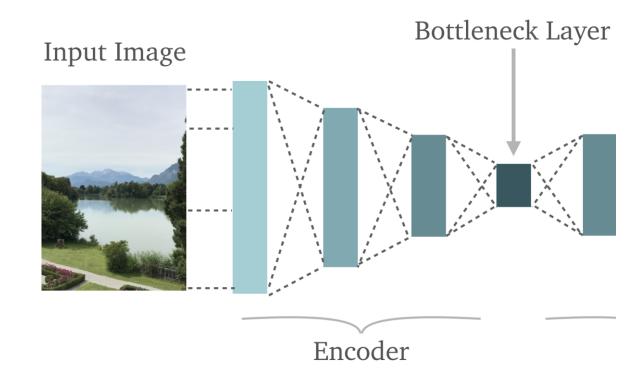
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- 2. Bottleneck
- 3. Decoder
- 4. Reconstruction Loss



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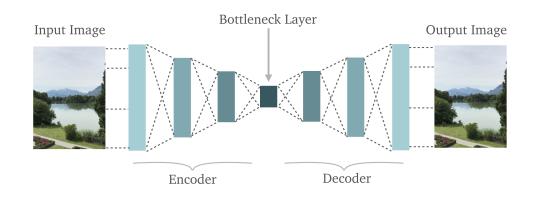
An encoder will, for instance, consist of successive fully connected layers, decreasing in size.

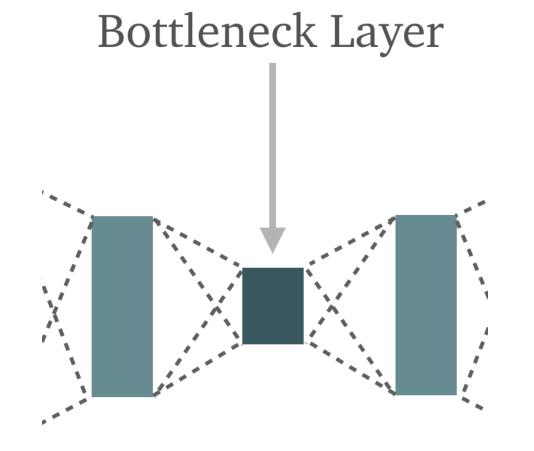




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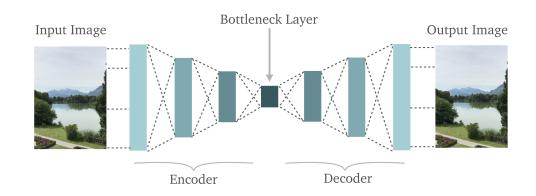
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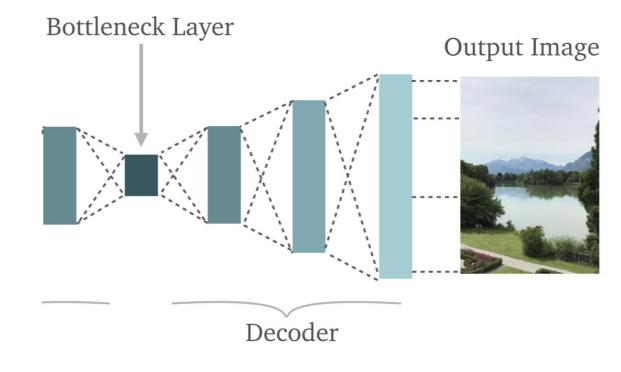




3. Decoder: In which the model learns how to reconstruct the data from the encoded representation to be as close to the original input as possible.

Our decoder will, for instance, consist of successive fully connected layers, increasing in size, back to the original input size.





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4. Reconstruction Loss: This is the method that measures measure how well the decoder is performing and how close the output is to the original input.

In the case of images, we can typically use an MSE on all pixels, or variations of it.



Example: input x on the right, output y on the left.

$$MSE(x,y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} (x_{i,j} - y_{i,j})^2}$$

On reversibility of layers

What would a perfect autoencoder consist of?

- Let us call f, the encoder function and g the decoder one. The autoencoder $h=f\circ g$ attempts to reproduce the identity function. A perfect autoencoder would then require $f=g^{-1}$
- In practice however, it is difficult to train an autoencoder to replicate the identity function exactly. This is because of **different weights** and **activation functions**, as well as the **low-dimensionality latent representation**.

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- At best, we can simply ensure that the layers preserve dimensionality.
- That is, the encoder compresses an input into a low-dimensionality latent representation in the same way that the decoder decompresses the low-dimensionality latent representation into an output of the same dimensions.
- This is simply done, for instance, with fully connected layers, with mirrored sizes.

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           x = self.encoder(x)
           x = self.decoder(x)
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Our model will be trained on the MNIST dataset, with the following parameters:

- Start with hidden_size = 5, that is the dimensionality of the latent representation in the bottleneck layer.
- MSE as the reconstruction loss.
- Optimizer is Adam, with default parameters.
- Mini-batch with size 128 and 25 epochs.

```
# Initialize MNIST Autoencoder
2 torch.manual seed(0)
3 model = MNIST Autoencoder (hidden layer = 5).to (device)
1 | # Defining Parameters
2 | # - MSE Loss, which will be our reconstruction loss for now
3 # - Adam as optimizer
4 | # - 25 Epochs
5 | # - 128 as batch size
6 num epochs = 25
  batch size = 128
8 distance = nn.MSELoss()
  optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(), weight decay = 1e-5)
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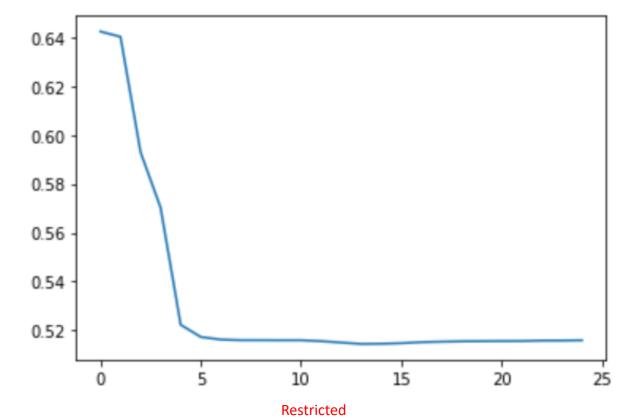
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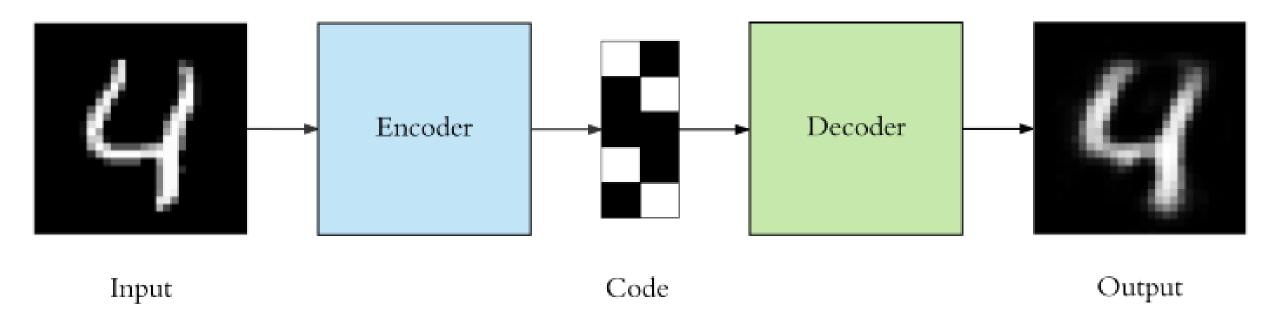
- Flatten the image, so it can be fed into FC layers.
- Forward pass.
- Backward pass and backpropagation.
- Loss and Outputs kept for visualization later on.

```
outputs list = []
 2 loss list = []
  for epoch in range (num epochs):
       for data in train loader:
            # Flatten image and send data to device
            imq, = data
            img = img.view(img.size(0), -1)
            img = Variable(img).to(device)
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11
            # Forward pass
12
            output = model(img)
13
            loss = distance(output, img)
14
15
            # Backprop
16
            optimizer.zero grad()
            loss.backward()
17
18
            optimizer.step()
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2.0
        # Display
       print('epoch {}/{}, loss {:.4f}'.format(epoch + 1, num epochs, loss.item()))
       outputs list.append((epoch, img, output),)
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       loss list.append(loss.item())
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```
plt.figure()
plt.plot(loss_list)
plt.show()
```



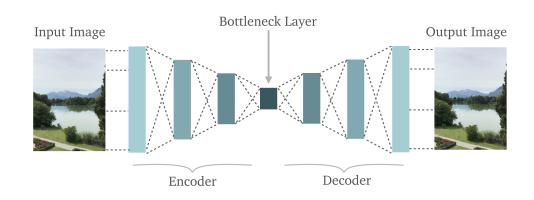


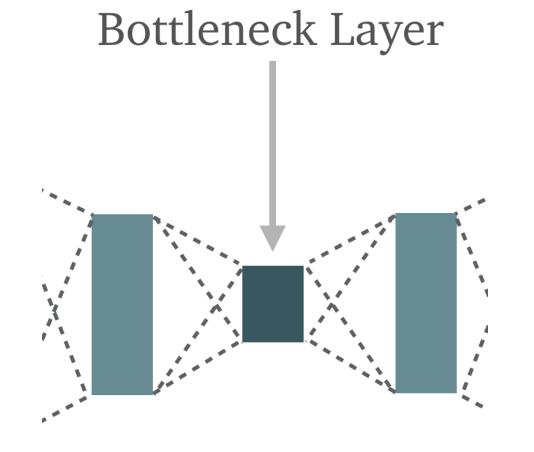
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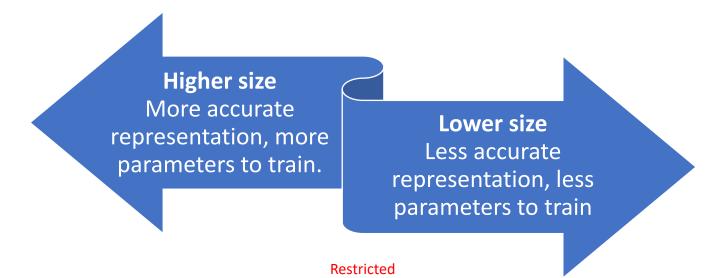




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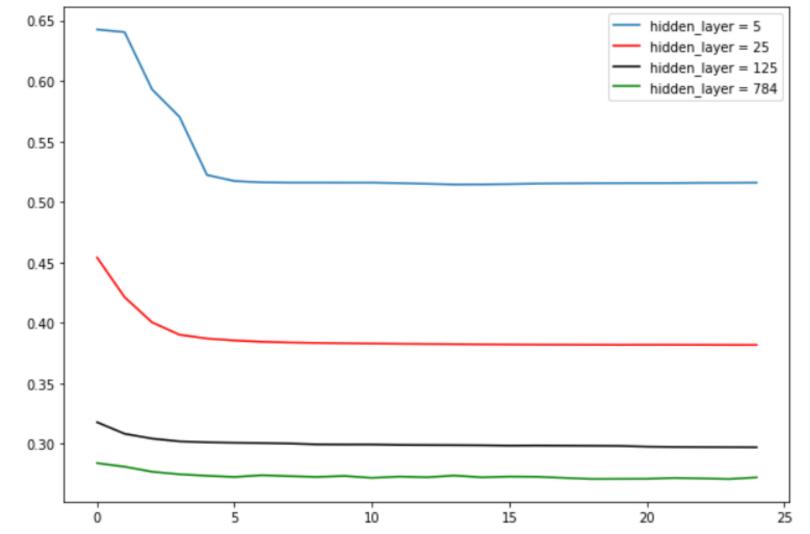
In Notebook 1, we have trained 4 models with different hidden layer sizes for comparison purposes.

- Model #1: hidden_size = 5
- **Model #2:** hidden size = 25
- **Model #3:** hidden size = 125
- **Model #4:** hidden_size = 784 = 28*28

We then visualize the performance of each model, in terms of loss and in terms of outputs visualization.

On latent dimensionality vs. loss effect

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plt.figure(figsize = (10, 7))
plt.plot(loss_list, label = "hidden_layer = 5")
plt.plot(loss_list2, 'r', label = "hidden_layer = 25")
plt.plot(loss_list3, 'k', label = "hidden_layer = 125")
plt.plot(loss_list4, 'g', label = "hidden_layer = 784")
plt.legend(loc = 'best')
plt.show()
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Restricted

On latent dimensionality vs. reconstruction quality

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for data in test_loader:
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out2 = model2(img).cpu().detach().numpy().reshape(5, 28, 28)

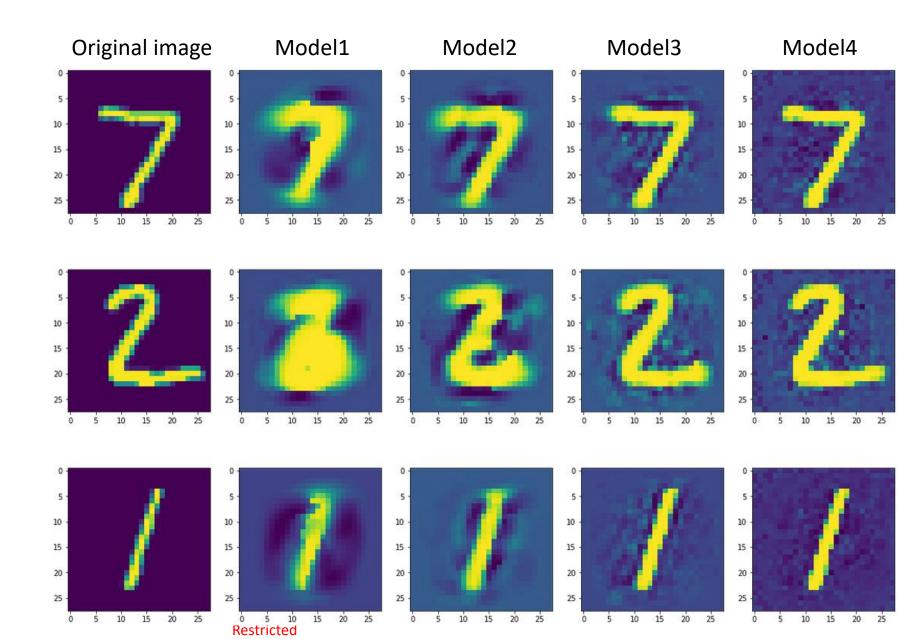
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plt.figure(figsize = (20, 14))
 2 \mid n = 3
   for i in range(n):
       plt.subplot(n, 5, 5*i + 1)
       plt.imshow(img[i])
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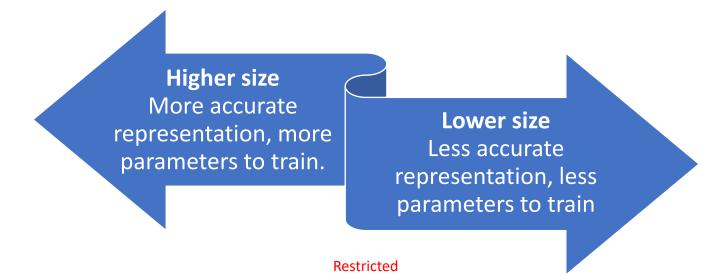
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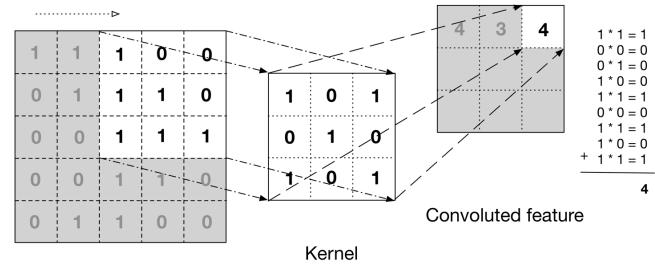
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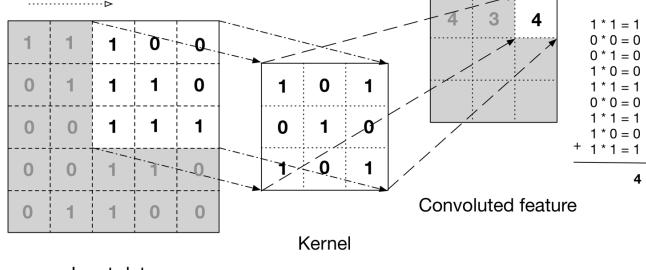
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 Holds per dimension, i.e. 1D, 2D and N-D convolutions.

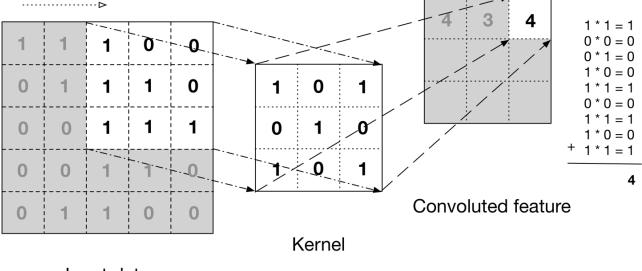


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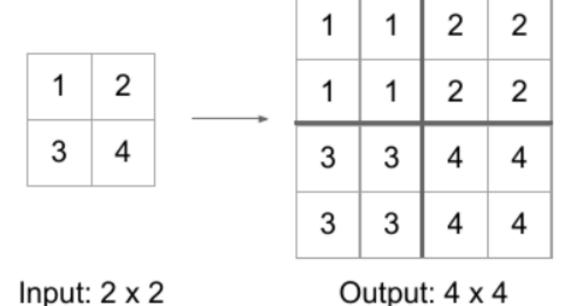
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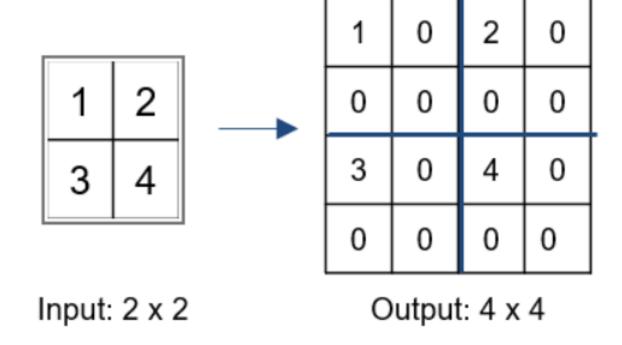
In the Nearest Neighbors upsampling technique, we simply take an input pixel value and copy it to the K-Nearest Neighbors where K depends on the expected output.



Option 2: Bed of Nails upsampling

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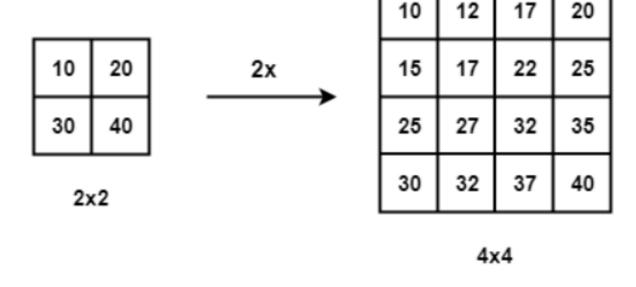
In the Bed of Nails upsampling technique, we simply take the value of the input pixel at the corresponding position in the output image and filling zeros in the remaining positions.



Option 3: Bi-Linear Interpolation upsampling

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In the Bi-Linear Interpolation upsampling technique, we take the 4 nearest pixel value of the input pixel and perform a weighted average based on the distance of the four nearest cells, therefore smoothing the output.



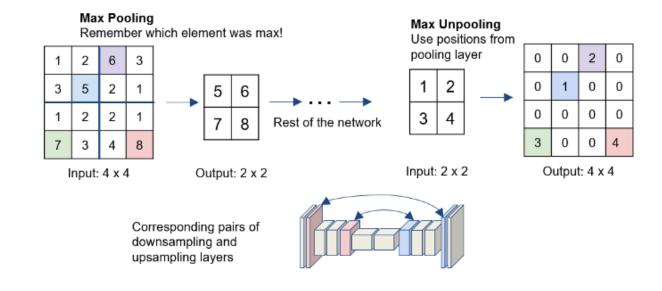
Option 4: Reversed MaxPooling upsampling

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The Max-Pooling layer in CNN takes the maximum among all the values in the kernel.

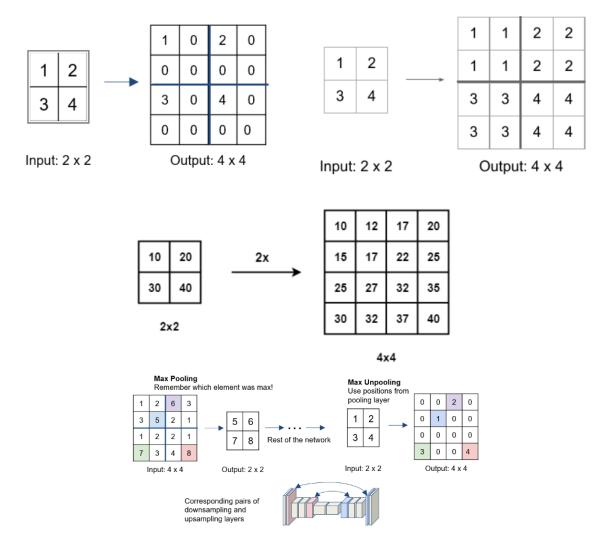
To perform Reversed MaxPooling, first, the index of the maximum value is saved for every max-pooling layer during the encoding step.

The saved index is then used during the decoding step where the input pixel is mapped to the saved index, filling zeros everywhere else.



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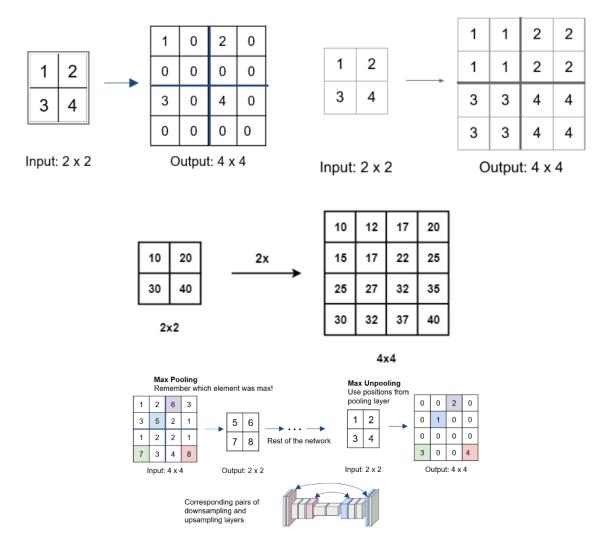
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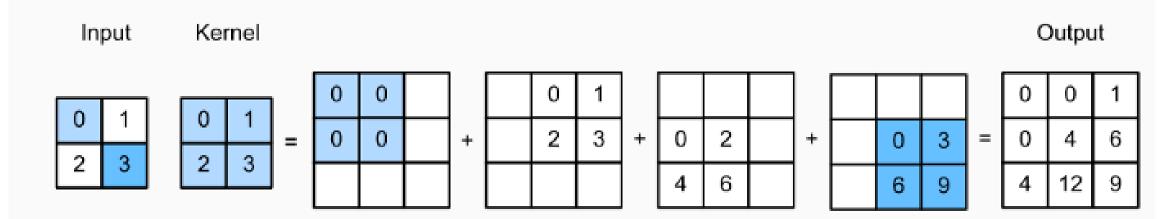
 Problem #2: more importantly, these layers are not trainable and we have no control over them.



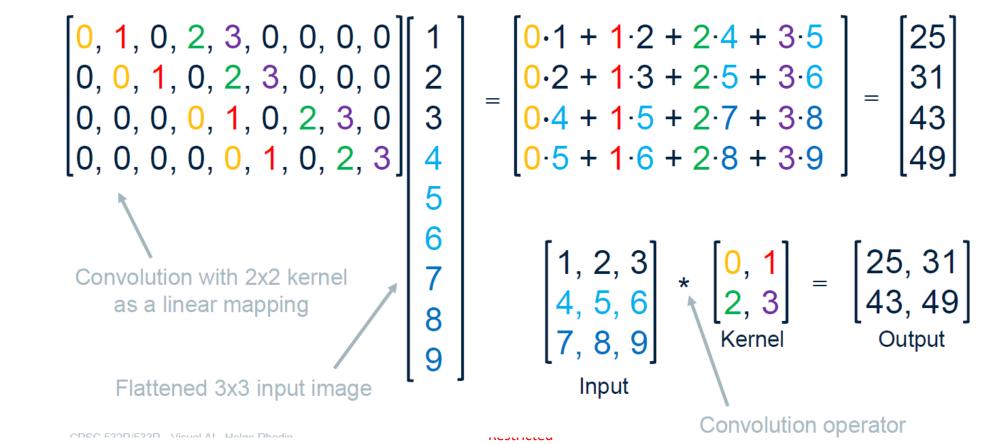
Definition (Deconvolution layer):

The **Deconvolution** (also commonly referred to as **Transposed Convolution**, or **Fractionally Strided Convolution**) **layer** is used to **upsample the input feature map** to a **desired output feature** map using **some learnable parameters**.

Works as a convolution, multiply input with kernel elements but copy output in multiple locations to upsample.



The **Deconvolution layer** consists of a simple matrix multiplication.



Deconvolution layers are trainable layers, which allow to upsample an input (as opposed to downsampling Convolution layers).

They are easily implemented on PyTorch, using the **ConvTranspose** types of layers (exists in 1D, 2D, and n-D if needed).

torch.Size([2, 8, 64, 64])

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Important note: Deconvolution is NOT the inverse operation of Convolution, mathematically speaking!

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# Comparing the first line of x and z
 2 print(x[0, 0, 0])
 3 print(z[0, 0, 0])
                 0.2657, -1.3329, -0.4168, -0.6341, 1.1183, -0.5112, 0.7523,
                1.0619, -1.1984, 1.2694, -0.4343, 1.3192, -1.7979, -1.0675,
       -1.1264, -0.1616, -0.7532, 0.1439, 0.3421, 0.2679, -0.7575, -0.1454,
                1.6836, 0.4977, -0.0429, 0.8867, -0.7273, 0.0034, -1.8623,
        0.9508, 0.2095, 2.2252, 1.4001, -1.1226, 0.2137, 0.9925, -0.5685,
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        0.1548, -0.9152, 0.6577, -0.0264, -0.8594, 0.8746,
                0.4786, -0.4876, -0.8358, -1.4187, 0.7590, -0.6741, -0.5103]
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       -0.0043, 0.0161, 0.0875, -0.1546, 0.1444, -0.1395, 0.1548,
       -0.1966, -0.0479, 0.0851, -0.1487, -0.3349, 0.2991, -0.1975, 0.0677,
        0.1445, 0.1438, -0.3004, -0.1749, -0.0758, 0.1199, -0.1008, -0.0129,
       -0.0192, 0.0156, -0.1973, -0.2705, -0.1303, 0.0219, -0.0135, -0.2100,
        0.2152, 0.0296, 0.0122, -0.3307, -0.0893, -0.4357, 0.0294, 0.0351,
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      grad fn=<SelectBackward>)
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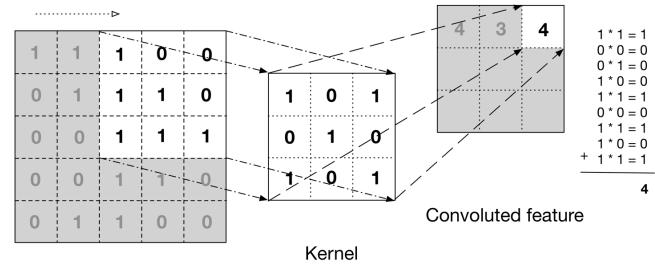
- Deconvolution also works with additional parameters, such as stride and padding.
- They might also take an additional parameter, known as **output padding:** while standard padding is applied to the input elements, **output padding** is simply an **additional size added to one side of each dimension in the output shape**.

torch.Size([32, 8, 64, 64])

torch.Size([32, 8, 128, 128])

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Input data

Convolution vs. Deconvolution layers

- Convolution layers performed transformations of input and output by convolutions.
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- Deconvolution layers performed transformations of input and output by upsampling convolutions.
- Magic formula:

```
output_size = (input_size - 1)*stride

- 2*padding + kernel_size

+ output_padding
```

 Holds per dimension, i.e. 1D, 2D and N-D convolutions.

A note on dilation in Deconvolution layers

- Deconvolution layers can also take one additional parameter called dilation.
- This slightly changes the magic formula into:

```
output_size = (input_size - 1)*stride
- 2*padding + output_padding + 1
+ dilation*(kernel_size - 1)
```

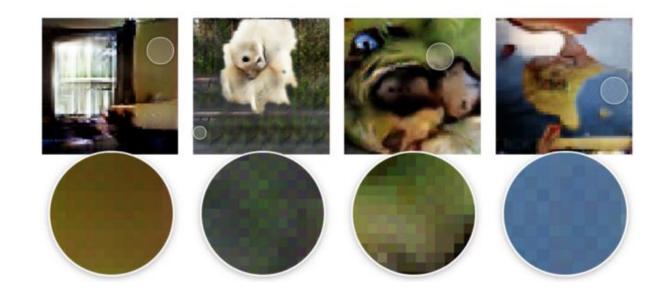
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Note: dilation is hard to explain but easily visualized.

(https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv_arithmetic/blob/master/README.md)

A note on Deconvolution layers

- Transposed convolutions suffer from "chequered" board effects.
- The main cause of this is uneven overlap at some parts of the image causing artifacts.
- This can be fixed, or at least partially reduced, by using a kernel size divisible by the stride, e.g taking a kernel-size of 2x2 or 4x4 when having a stride of 2.



 Let us put our Deconvolution layers to use, by replacing the FC layers in our original autoencoder, with Convolutions and Deconvolution ones!

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                                         nn.Conv2d(32, 64, hidden layer))
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17
            # Decoder part will be a simple sequence of TransposeConv2d+ReLU.
            # Finish with Sigmoid
18
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                                         nn.ReLU())
25
26
27
        def forward(self,x):
28
29
            # Forward is encoder into decoder
            x = self.encoder(x)
            x = self.decoder(x)
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32
            return x
                                                          NUJUICUU
```

- Let us put our Deconvolution layers to use, by replacing the FC layers in our original autoencoder, with Convolutions and Deconvolution ones!
- Deconvolutions in the decoder phase follow the same logic (dimensionality variations) as the convolutions ones in the encoder phase.

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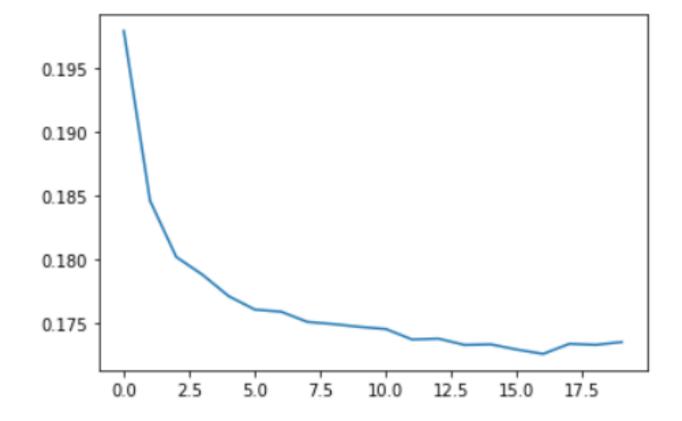
• Our trainer function does not change, except for the part where we were flattening the input image (no longer necessary, convolutions).

```
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 2 outputs list = []
 3 loss list = []
 4 for epoch in range (num epochs):
       for data in train loader:
            # Send data to device
            img, = data
            img = Variable(img).to(device)
10
11
            # Forward pass
12
            output = model(img)
13
            loss = distance(output, img)
14
            # Backprop
16
            optimizer.zero grad()
           loss.backward()
17
            optimizer.step()
18
19
       # Display
       print('epoch {}/{}, loss {:.4f}'.format(epoch + 1, num epochs, loss.item()))
       outputs list.append((epoch, img, output),)
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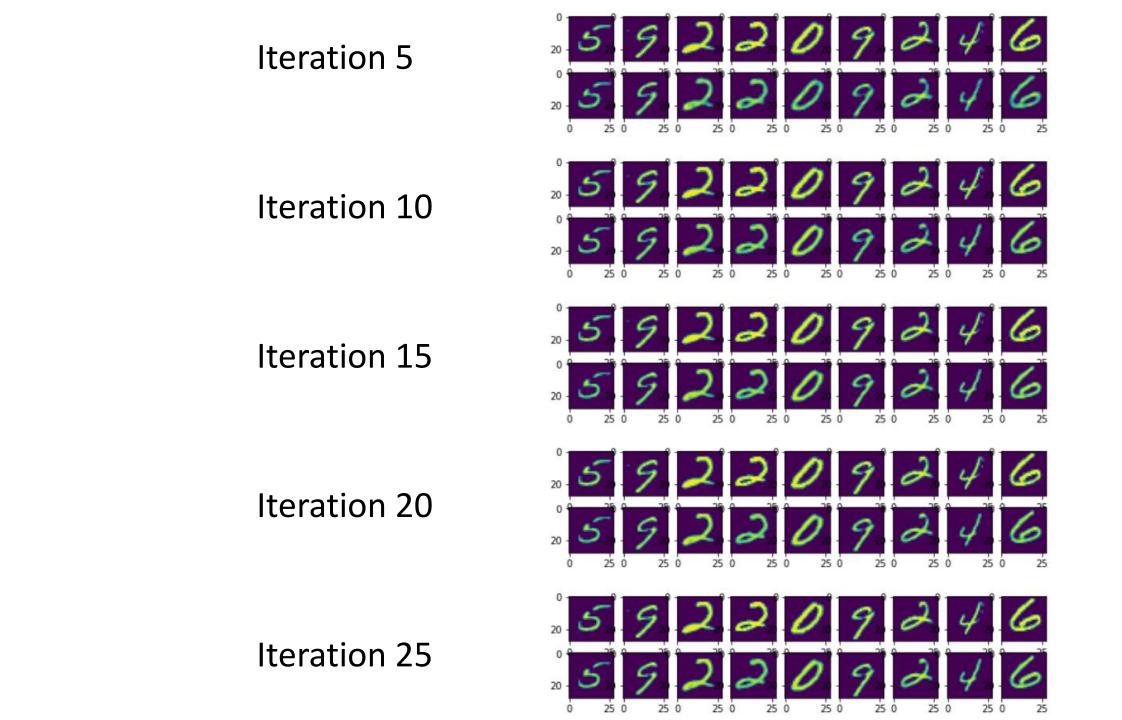
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```
1 # Display loss
2 plt.figure()
3 plt.plot(loss_list)
4 plt.show()
```



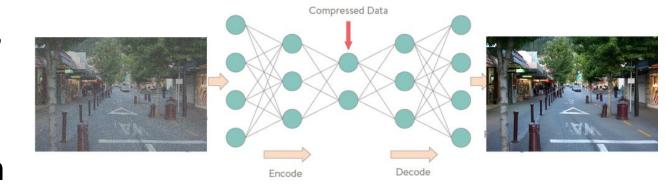
 We can also see the evolution on the outputs being generated during the different iterations of training.

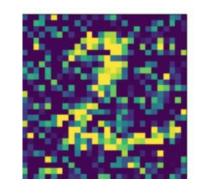
```
# Display some outputs
   for k in range(0, num epochs, 4):
       plt.figure(figsize = (9, 2))
       imgs = outputs list[k][1].cpu().detach().numpy()
       recon = outputs list[k][2].cpu().detach().numpy()
       for i, item in enumerate(imgs):
 6
            if i >= 9: break
           plt.subplot(2, 9, i+1)
           plt.imshow(item[0])
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11
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AutoEncoders for Signal Denoising

- On top of their ability to encode an input into a low-dimension latent vectors, the AutoEncoders can be used for...
- Denoising images: the autoencoder will simply focus on keeping the most important features of the image and will likely drop the noise present in the image.
- This can be used to protect against Noising Attacks!

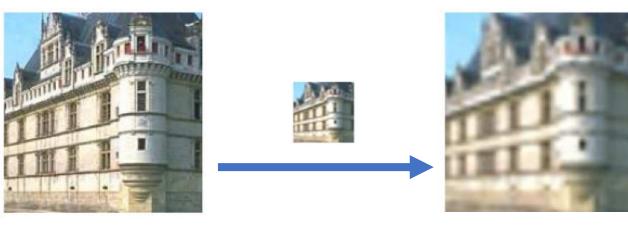






AutoEncoders for Supersizing Images

- On top of their ability to encode an input into a low-dimension latent vectors, the AutoEncoders can be used for...
- **Supersizing images:** the autoencoder will simply attempt to reconstruct the missing pixels in the image to increase its resolution.



Ground Truth

Dow

with

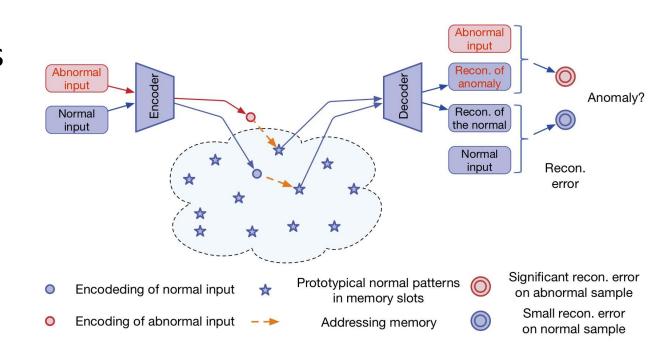
Downsample, and then pixelate with Nearest Neighbors



Output (super resolution)

AutoEncoders for Anomaly Detection

- On top of their ability to encode an input into a low-dimension latent vectors, the AutoEncoders can be used for...
- Anomaly detection: There are many ways and techniques to detect anomalies and outliers. However, if you have correlated input data, the autoencoder method will work very well because the encoding operation relies on the correlated features to compress the data.



Conclusion

In this lecture

- Autoencoders definition
- Autoencoders with fully connected layers
- Fractionally strided convolution layers
- Autoencoders with convolutions and deconvolutions
- Autoencoder uses

In the next lectures

- Variational Autoencoder and noisy latent representations
- Generative Adversarial Networks
- More advanced GANs

Learn more about these topics

Out of class, for those of you who are curious

None for now!