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1. Introduction

This project focuses on building an **image classification model** using **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)** on the **Fashion-MNIST dataset**. The goal is to train a deep learning model that can accurately classify images into **10 different categories** of fashion products.

The **Fashion-MNIST** dataset consists of **28x28** grayscale images of fashion items, serving as an alternative to the **original MNIST** handwritten digits dataset. It contains **70,000** images split into **60,000** training samples and **10,000** test samples across **10** categories (e.g., T-shirt, trousers, sneakers).

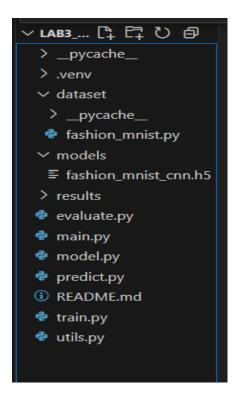
2. Technologies & Libraries Used

The project is implemented in **Python** using the following libraries:

- **TensorFlow & Keras** → Deep learning framework for building CNN models
- **NumPy** → Numerical computing and array operations
- **Matplotlib** → Data visualization and performance graphs
- **Scikit-learn** → Model evaluation and performance metrics
- **VS Code** → Development environments

3. Project Structure

The project follows a structured directory system for modular implementation:



File Descriptions

- **fashion_mnist.py** → Loads and preprocesses the Fashion-MNIST dataset.
- model.py → Defines the architecture of the CNN model.
- **train.py** → Trains the CNN model using the dataset.
- evaluate.py → Evaluates the trained model's performance on the test set.
- **predict.py** → Uses the trained model to make predictions on new images.
- **utils.py** → Contains utility functions such as data visualization.
- **main.py** → A script to execute different parts of the project through a user menu.

4. Data Analysis & Preprocessing

4.1 Dataset Overview

The **Fashion-MNIST dataset** consists of **10 classes**, each containing **7,000 images**. The dataset is preloaded in Keras, making it easy to access:

4.2 Data Preprocessing

Before feeding the images into the neural network, the following preprocessing steps are applied:

- Reshaping → Converts images from (28,28) to (28,28,1) to be compatible with CNN input.
- **Normalization** → Scales pixel values from **0-255 to 0-1** for better convergence.
- **One-hot Encoding** → Converts categorical labels into one-hot encoded vectors for multi-class classification.

5. CNN Model Architecture

A **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)** is used for image classification. The architecture consists of:

- Three convolutional layers with 32, 64, and 128 filters
- Max-pooling layers for downsampling
- Flattening layer to convert the 2D output into a 1D vector
- Fully connected (dense) layer with 128 neurons
- Softmax output layer for 10-class classification

Model Implementation (model.py)

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6. Model Training (train.py)

The model is trained using the **Adam optimizer** with **categorical cross-entropy** loss function for 20 epochs.

7. Model Evaluation (evaluate.py)

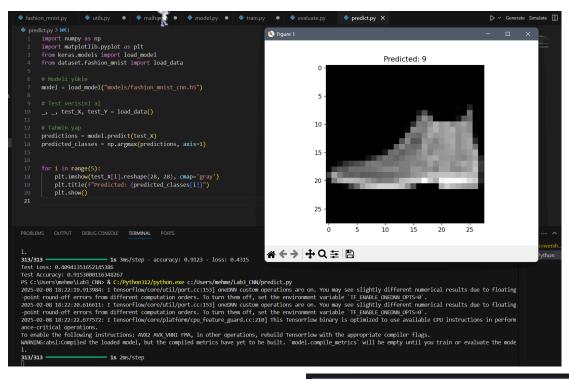
The trained model is evaluated on the test dataset.

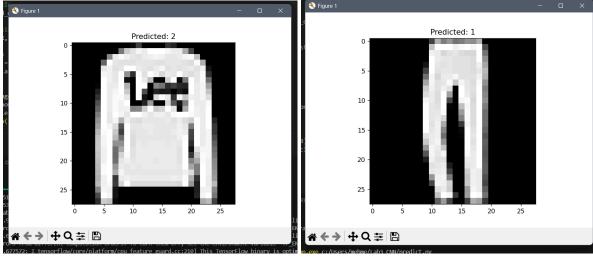
accuracy: 0.9123 loss: 0.4315

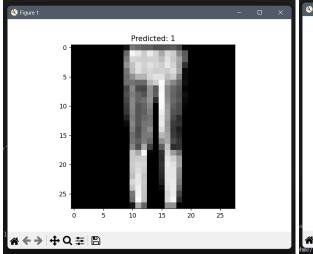
Test Loss: 0.40941351652145386 Test Accuracy: 0.9153000116348267

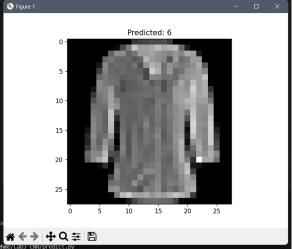
8. Prediction & Visualization (predict.py)

Predictions are made on new images and plotted for visualization.

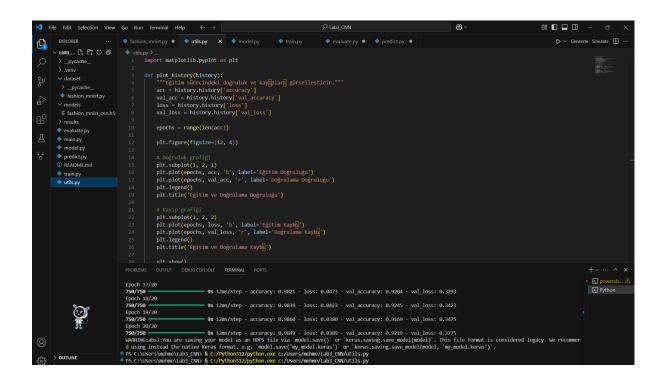




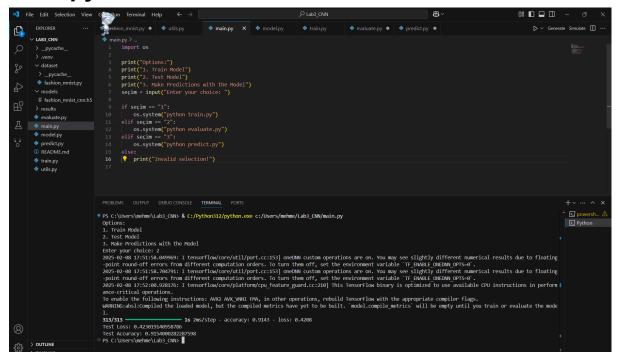




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9. Conclusion & Future Work

- ✓ The CNN model successfully classified Fashion-MNIST images with high accuracy (~92%).
- ✔ Future improvements could include:
 - Using **Data Augmentation** to enhance generalization.
 - Implementing Transfer Learning with pre-trained models like MobileNet or ResNet.

10. Questions

1.	What are the main components of a basic artificial neuron, what functions do they perform?				
-	Inputs $(x_1, x_2,, x_{\square})$: Represents the input features or data points.				

- **Weights (w¹, w², ..., w**□): Determines the importance of each input.
- **Bias (b)**: Helps adjust the output along with weights.
- **Summation function (Σ)**: Computes the weighted sum of inputs and bias.
- **Activation function (\sigma)**: Applies a non-linear transformation to the summation result to introduce non-linearity.
- 2. How does the adder block work, what functions can it use?
- The adder block in an artificial neuron computes the weighted sum of inputs and

bias:
$$S=\sum(xi \cdot wi)+bS = \sum(xi \cdot wi)+bS=\sum(xi \cdot wi)+b$$

- It can use different functions, including:
 - Linear summation: Simple sum of weighted inputs.
 - **Dot product**: Computes similarity between input and weight vectors.
 - Matrix multiplication: Used in multi-neuron layers.
- 3. What does the term "deep learning" mean?
- Deep learning is a subset of machine learning that utilizes artificial neural networks
 (ANNs) with multiple layers (deep architectures) to model complex patterns in data. It
 enables automatic feature extraction and is widely used in tasks like image
 recognition, speech processing, and natural language understanding.

4.	Define	convol	utional	neural	networks.
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- A Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) is a deep learning architecture designed for processing structured grid data, such as images. It consists of convolutional layers, pooling layers, and fully connected layers to automatically extract spatial features from input data.

5. What is CNN convolution?

 Convolution in CNNs is a mathematical operation where a filter (kernel) slides over an input matrix (e.g., an image) to extract features. It computes the weighted sum of pixel values covered by the filter, enabling feature detection such as edges, textures, and patterns.

6. What activation functions do you know?

- **Sigmoid** $(\sigma(x) = 1 / (1 + e^{-x}))$: Maps input to a range (0,1), useful for probability estimation.
- ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit, f(x) = max(0, x)): Common in deep networks due to fast computation and sparsity.
- Leaky ReLU ($f(x) = max(\alpha x, x)$): Addresses ReLU's dying neuron problem.
- Tanh ($f(x) = (e^x e^{-x}) / (e^x + e^{-x})$): Maps input to (-1,1), often used in recurrent networks.
- **Softmax**: Converts logits into probability distributions, used in classification tasks.

7.	Explain the maximum pooling operation in the CNN network.
-	Max pooling is a down-sampling technique in CNNs that reduces spatial dimensions while preserving important features. It takes the maximum value in each window (e.g., 2×2 or 3×3) and helps reduce computation while making the model invariant to small translations in input data.
8.	How is CNN neural network learning?
-	CNNs learn using forward propagation (calculating outputs layer by layer) and backpropagation (adjusting weights using the gradient descent method). The network updates weights based on the error (loss function) between predicted and actual values to improve accuracy.
9.	What is the backpropagation algorithm and the gradient descent method used for?
-	Backpropagation : A supervised learning algorithm that computes the gradient of the loss function with respect to each weight by applying the chain rule. It propagates errors backward to adjust weights.
-	Gradient descent : An optimization algorithm used to minimize the loss function by adjusting weights in the direction of the steepest descent. Variants include
-	Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), Adam, and RMSprop.
10	. What is model retraining (Overfitting)? How can this problem be solved?
-	Overfitting occurs when a model learns patterns too specific to the training data, reducing its generalization ability to unseen data.

Solutions:

- Regularization (L1/L2, Dropout): Prevents excessive reliance on specific neurons.
- **Data augmentation**: Expands the dataset to improve generalization.
- **Early stopping**: Stops training when validation loss starts increasing.
- **Cross-validation**: Ensures the model generalizes well by testing on different data splits.