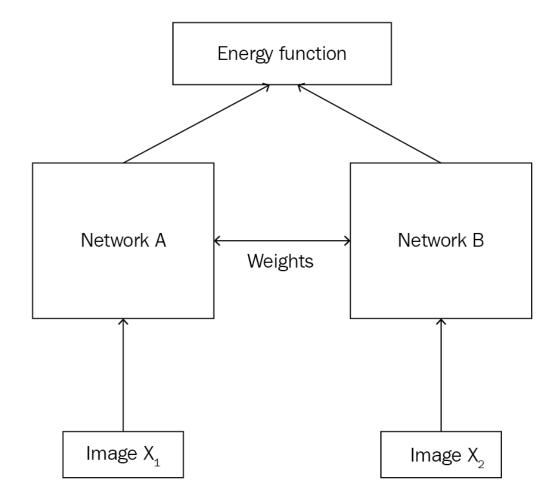
Face Recognition

What are Siamese Networks

Siamese neural networks are the special types of networks and are one of the simplest and popularly used one shot learning algorithms. Siamese network is used in applications where we don't have many data points for each of the class. For an instance, let us say we want to build a face recognition model for our organization and say about 500 people are working in our organization. If we want to build our face recognition model using convolutional neural network (CNN) from scratch then we need many images of all these 500 people for training the network and attaining good accuracy. But apparently, we will not have many images for all these 500 people and so it is not feasible to build a model using a CNN or any deep learning algorithm unless we have sufficient data points. So in these kinds of scenarios, we can resort to a sophisticated one shot learning algorithm like siamese network which can learn from less data points.

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Siamese networks basically consist of two symmetrical neural networks both sharing the same weights and architecture and both joined together at the end using some energy function E. The objective of our siamese network is to learn whether the two inputs are similar or dissimilar. Let's say we have two images X_1 and X_2 and we want to learn whether the two images are similar or dissimilar. As our input is an image, we can use a convolutional network for generating the embeddings that is, for extracting features. Remember the role of CNN here is only to extract features and not to **classify**. As we know that these networks should have same weights and architecture, if our Network A is three-layer CNN then our Network B should also be a three-layer CNN and we have to use the same set of weights for both of these networks. So Network A and Network B will give us the embeddings for the input image X_1 and X_2 respectively. Then we will feed these embeddings to the energy function which tells us how similar the two input images are. Energy functions are basically any similarity measure such as Euclidean distance, cosine similarity, and so on.



Siamese networks are not only used for face recognition, but it is also used extensively in the applications where we don't have much data points and tasks where we need to learn a similarity between two inputs. The application of siamese network includes signature verification, similar question retrieval, object tracking and more.

Task1: Create a Siamese Neural Network of your own choice for Face Recognition on AT and T's dataset.

- Download the data from this <u>link</u>.
- Read the data and create pairs for the input.
- Define the contrastive loss using euclidian distance function



- Use the sklearn built-in train test split for training.
- Build the SiameseNet and print the network picture using the following sample:

```
from keras.models import Sequential
from keras.layers import Dense
from keras.utils.vis_utils import plot_model
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(2, input_dim=1, activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
plot_model(model, to_file='model_plot.png', show_shapes=True,
show_layer_names=True)
```

• Train the network and report the accuracies.

Hint: Use the provided file mnist_siamese.py for the basic understanding of Keras implementation the Siamese for MNIST dataset.

Use any language and framework of your choice but keras and tensorflow are with notebook is preferred.