

Advanced Machine Learning (Semester 1 2023)

Convolutional Neural Networks

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Recap

Workflow for Developing Neural Network Applications

1. understand and define the problem:
 - what are the inputs?
 - what are the expected outputs? (classification (binary, multiclass, multilabel); regression)
 - are inputs sufficiently informative to determine outputs?
2. define the data set
 - prepare data: normalization, PCA
3. choose a metric to measure success
4. Define evaluation methodology
 - e.g. cross-validation: holdout if plenty of data, otherwise K-fold
5. develop mode
 - last-layer activation function
 - loss function
 - optimization
6. Train model to point of overfitting
7. Tune the model: regularization
8. Test the model
9. If sufficient: apply the model

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Neural Network Architectures

A mostly complete chart of

Neural Networks

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○ Backfed Input Cell

○ Input Cell

△ Noisy Input Cell

● Hidden Cell

○ Probabilistic Hidden Cell

△ Spiking Hidden Cell

● Output Cell

● Match Input Output Cell

● Recurrent Cell

○ Memory Cell

△ Different Memory Cell

● Kernel

○ Convolution or Pool

Perceptron (P)



Feed Forward (FF)



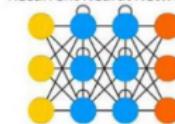
Radial Basis Network (RBF)



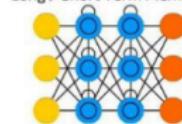
Deep Feed Forward (DFF)



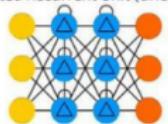
Recurrent Neural Network (RNN)



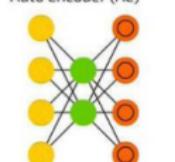
Long / Short Term Memory (LSTM)



Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU)



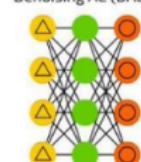
Auto Encoder (AE)



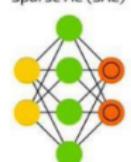
Variational AE (VAE)



Denoising AE (DAE)



Sparse AE (SAE)



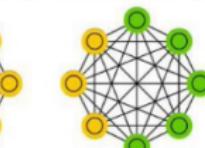
Markov Chain (MC)



Hopfield Network (HN)



Boltzmann Machine (BM)



Restricted BM (RBG)



Deep Belief Network (DBN)



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'classic' trained feed-forward neural networks can handle object recognition

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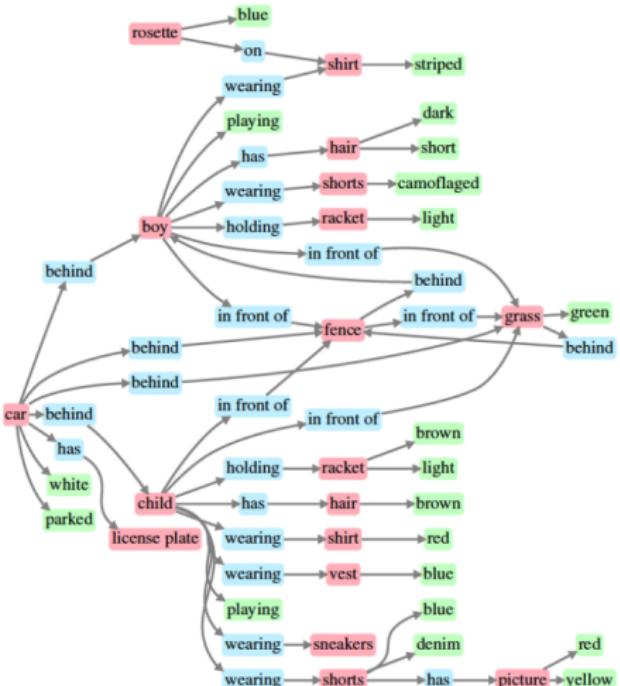
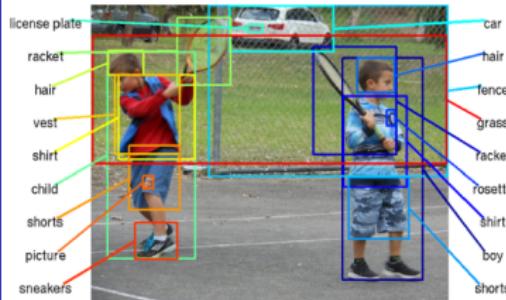
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A subset of the MNIST Handwritten Digits dataset.

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but we want not only object recognition...



Johnson et al., "Image Retrieval using Scene Graphs", CVPR 2015

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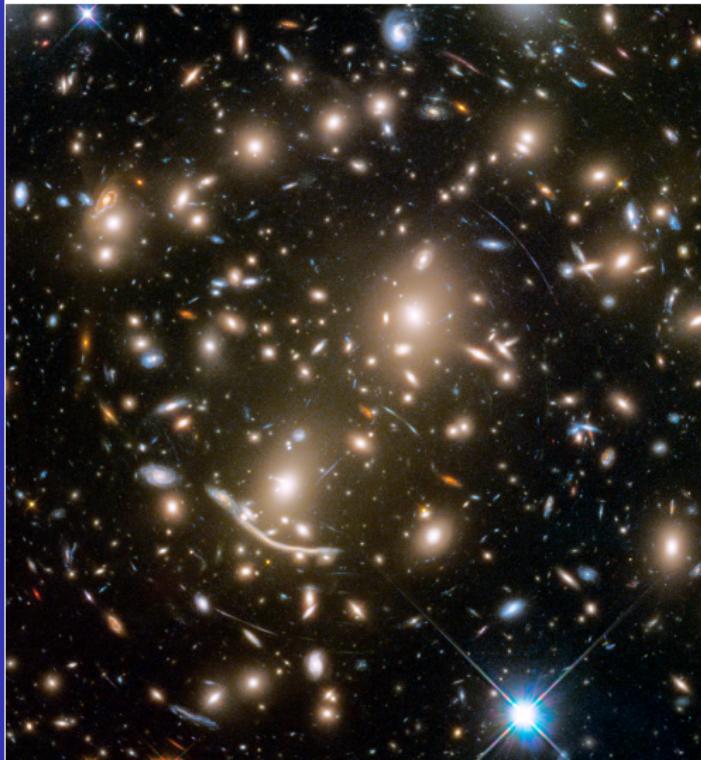
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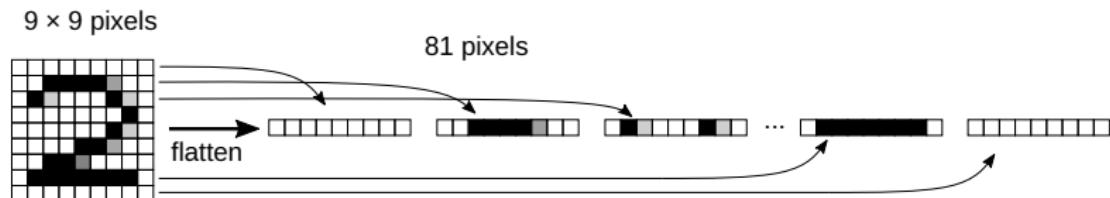


interacting galaxies
galaxy clusters
blending
gravitational lenses
foreground stars
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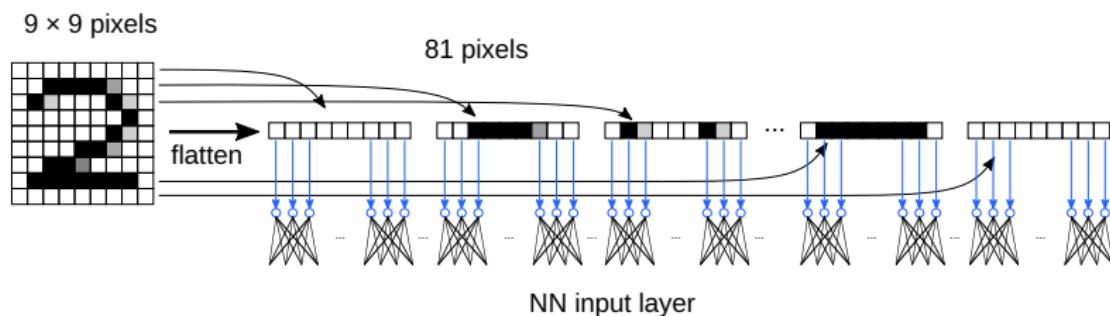
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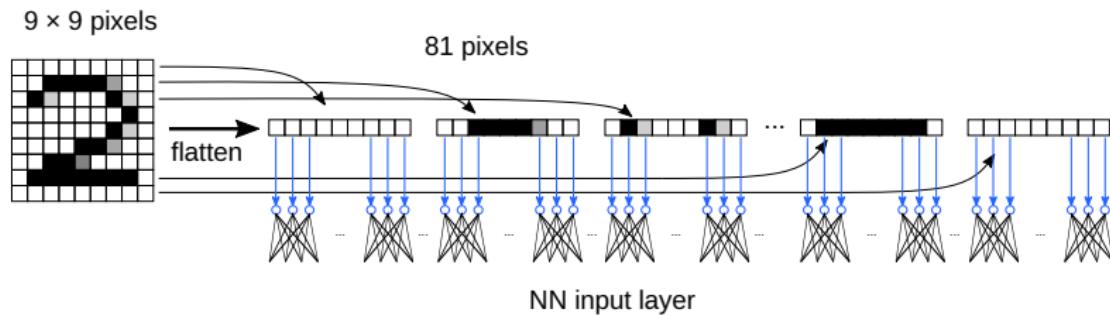
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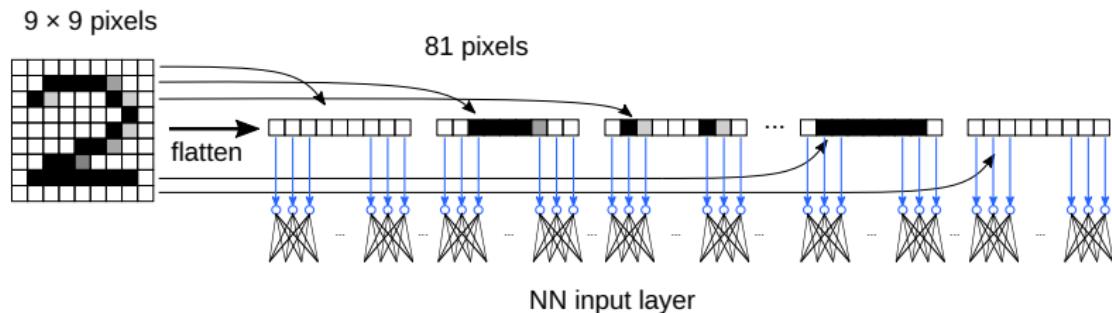


→ okay for simple and low-resolution images

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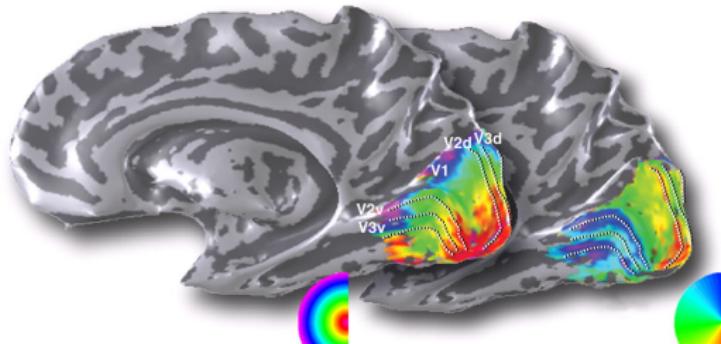


→ flattening the image removes spatial information
for complex and high-resolution dataset: Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) is the solution

Artificial Vision

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) were not invented overnight

topographical mapping of the visual cortex (in humans and animals):
nearby cells in the cortex represent nearby regions in the visual field



credit: Wandell et al. (2007)

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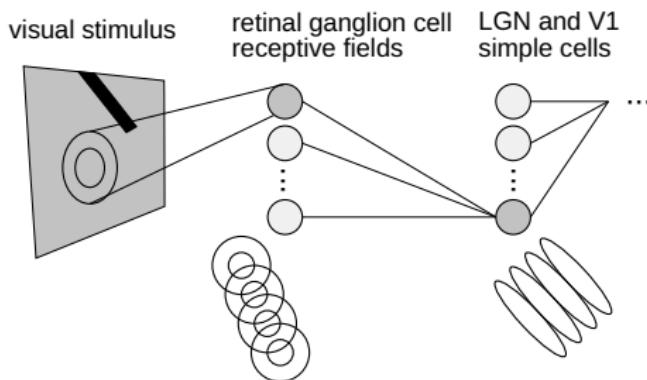
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the visual cortex is organized hierarchically:



adapted from: Lane MJcIntosh, CS231n (2017)

simple cells: respond to light orientation

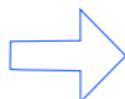
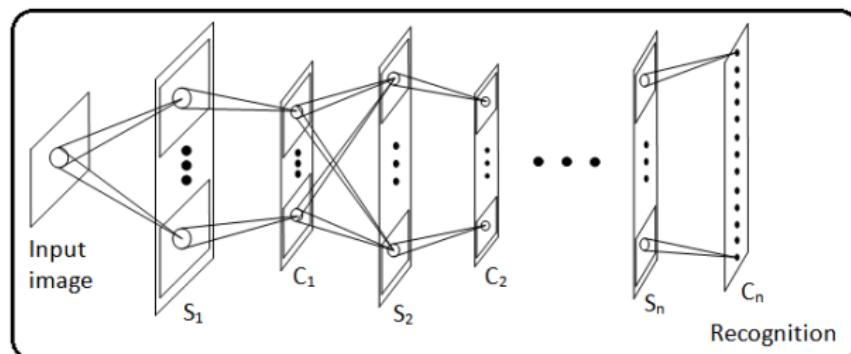
complex cells: respond to light orientation and movement

hypercomplex cells: respond to movement with an end point

Artificial Vision

Neocognitron (Fukushima 1980)

uses a "sandwich" architecture of simple cells and complex cells where simple cells contain modifiable parameters, complex cells perform pooling operation



the first CNN

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Convolutional Neural Networks - The Idea

Convolutional neural networks (CNNs) are similar to feedforward neural networks: A convolutional neural network consists of an input layer, hidden layers for feature learning and an output layer for classification.

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Basic underlying idea:

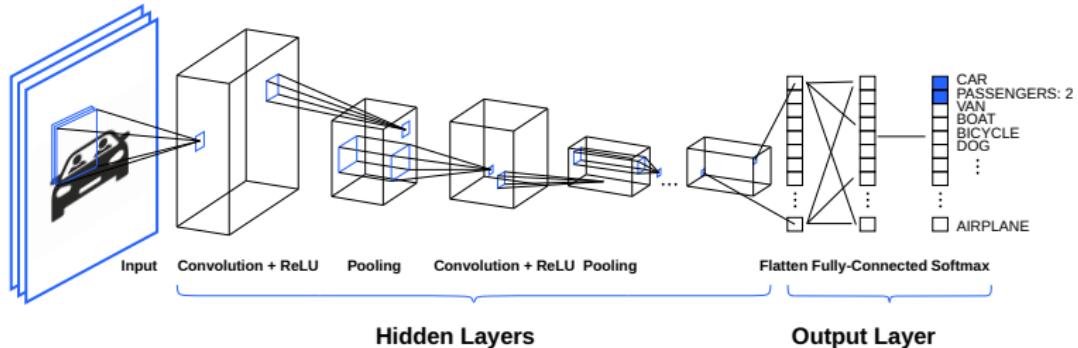
An image is a matrix of pixels. Important parts on the image (objects, edges) are within close distances. Individual neurons respond to input only in a restricted region, like in the *visual cortex* of the brain.

Recap: Tensors

	name	dimensionality (rank, order)	example
Recap	scalar	0	42
Motivation	vector	1	(6.6 8 2)
Convolutional Neural Networks	matrix	2	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 55 & 0.6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
Convolution Layer	cube	3	$\begin{pmatrix} (6.7 \ 7.5 \ 2) & (4 \ 8.4 \ 5.1) & (55.7 \ 1 \ 2.5) \\ (7.5 \ 3 \ 2) & (3 \ 8 \ 9.1) & (6.5 \ 9.4 \ 2) \\ (2.7 \ 2 \ 2.5) & (1.4 \ 8 \ 1.5) & (6.2 \ 8.3 \ 2) \end{pmatrix}$
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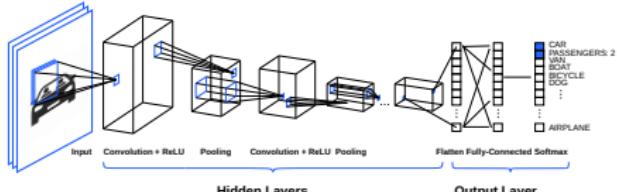
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A typical CNN architecture consists of alternating **Convolutional layers** and **Pooling layers** that extract features. Finally, their output is flattened into a one-dimensional feature layer that is passed into a Multi-Layer Perceptron (fully-connected layers) to obtain a prediction.

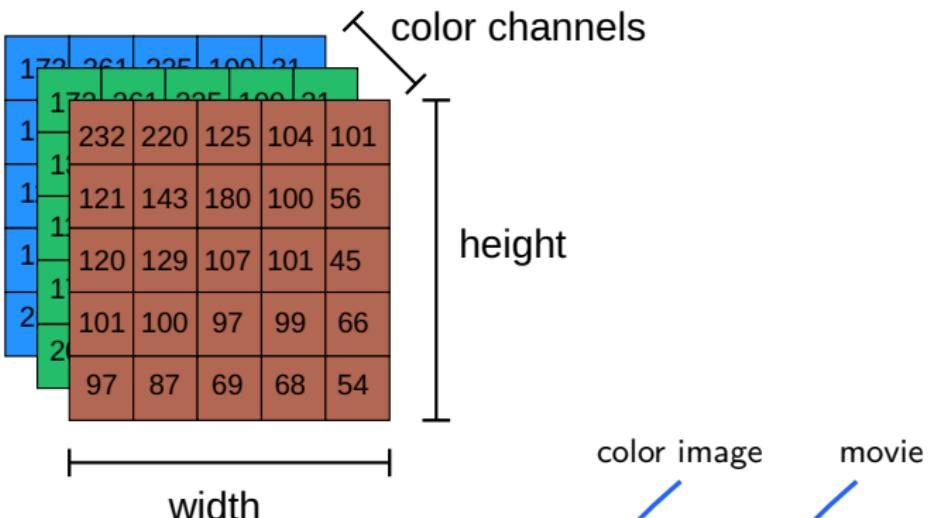


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The Input

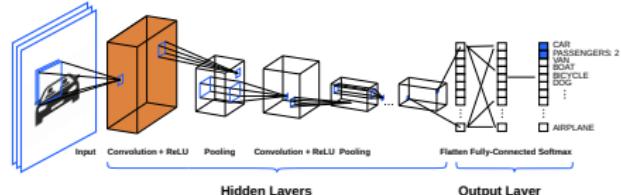


preserving the input image's spatial and temporal dependencies



In a CNN, the input is a tensor with shape $(\text{input height}) \times (\text{input width}) \times (\text{input channels}) \times (\text{number of inputs})$.

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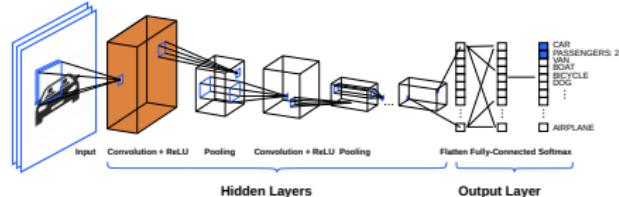
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The objective of the Convolution Layer is to extract the high-level features, such as edges, from the input image.

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If you have used image/ photo editing, you likely have already applied convolutions, whether you realize it or not:



blurring/smoothing

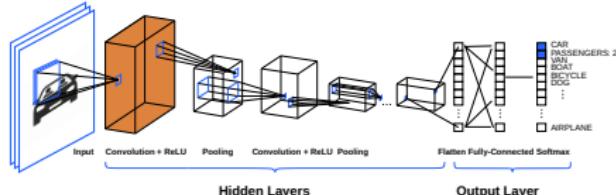


sharpening

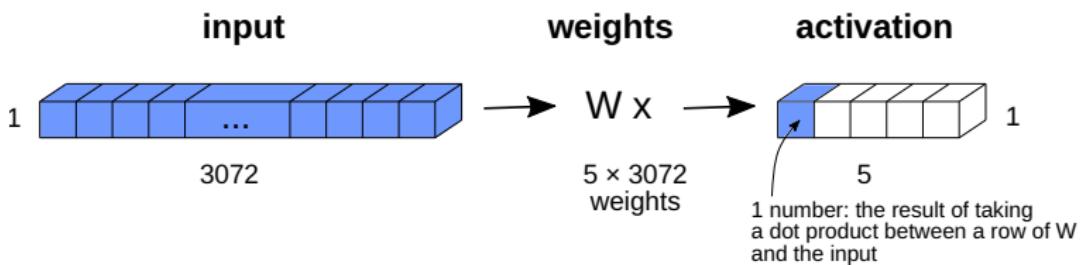
edge detection



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in feed-forward neural network:
a $32 \times 32 \text{ pixel} \times 3 \text{ channels}$ image is flattened



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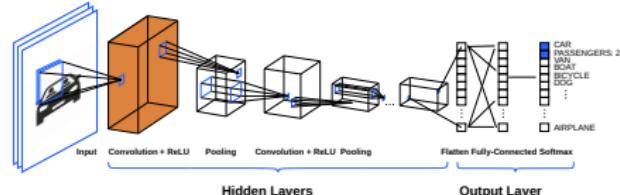
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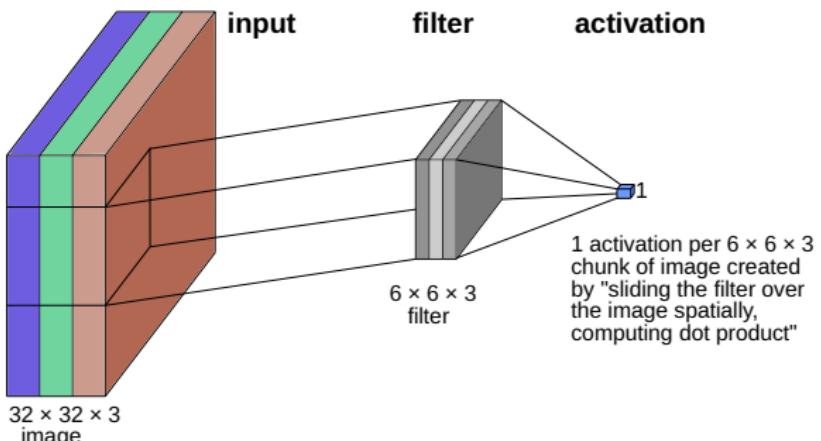
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processing a 32×32 pixel $\times 3$ channels image as tensor



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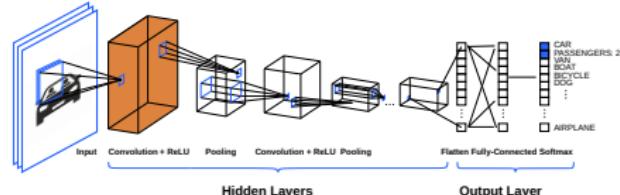
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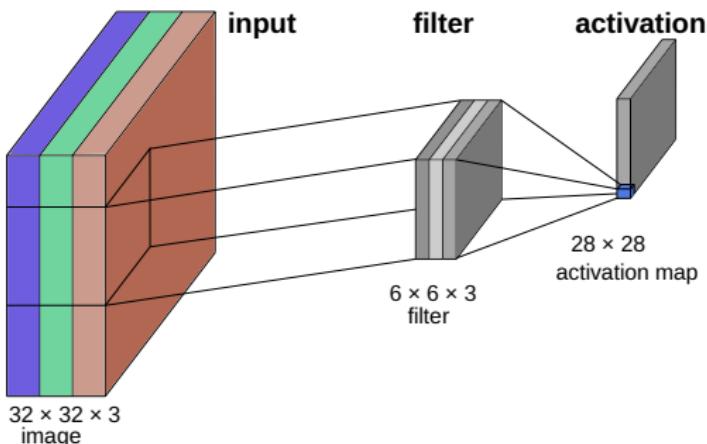
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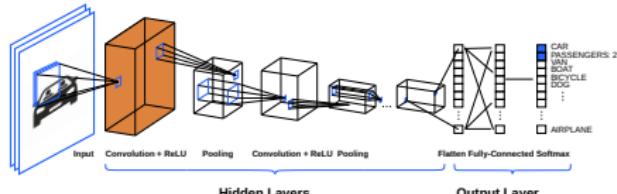
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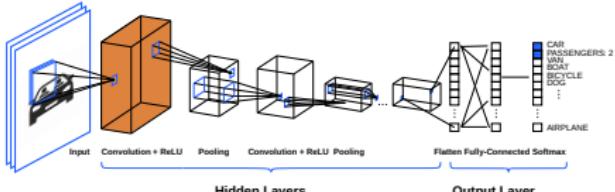
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Convolution:

$$y_{i,j} = \sum_l \sum_k x_{i-l, j-k} w_{l,m}$$

Diagram illustrating the convolution operation. An orange circle labeled 'input' has arrows pointing to its indices i and j . A blue circle labeled 'filter' has an arrow pointing to its index m .

Cross-Correlation (as carried out here):

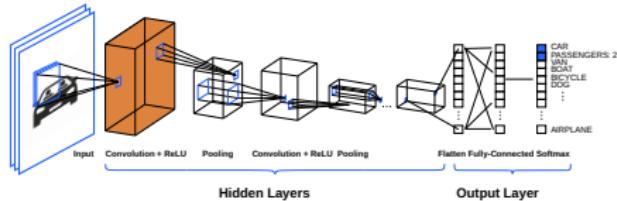
$$y_{i,j} = \sum_l \sum_k x_{i+l, j+m} w_{l,m}$$

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the difference is for cross-correlation we don't have to 'flip' the filter's kernel relative to the input

both can be interchanged through a simple rotation operation

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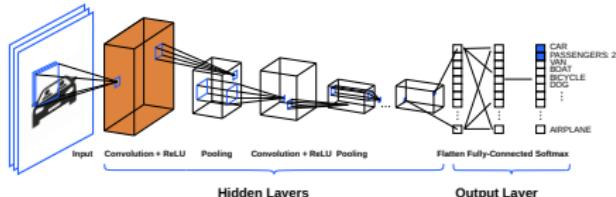
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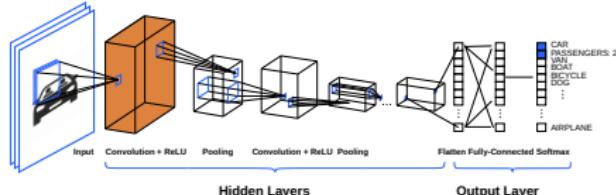
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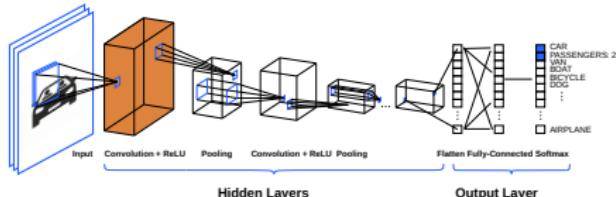
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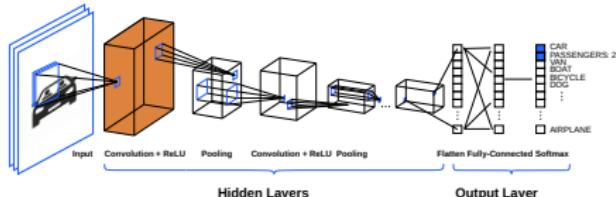
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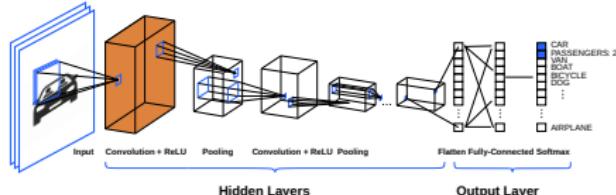
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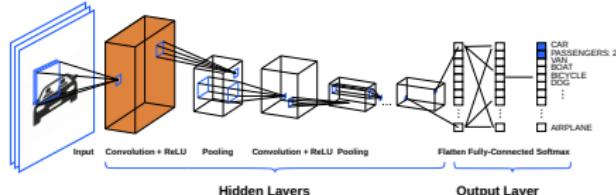
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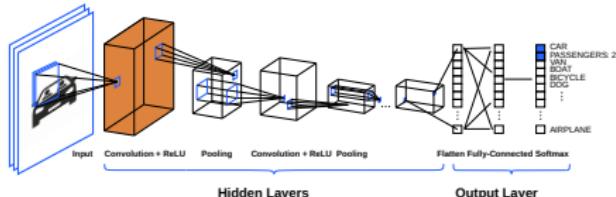
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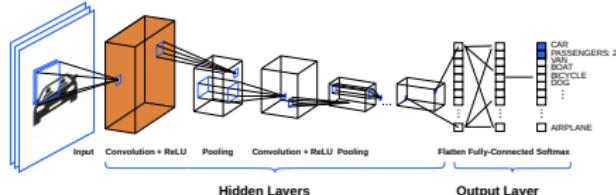
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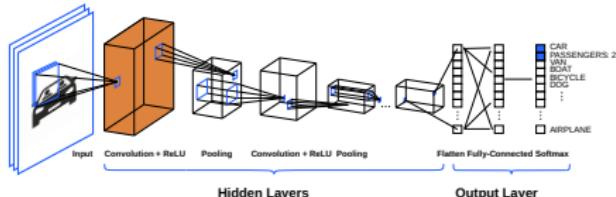
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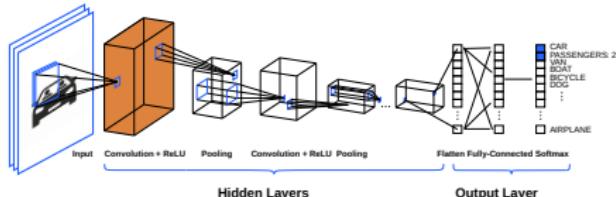
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⇒ The kernel K shifts 9 times because of Stride Length = 1 (Non-Strided)

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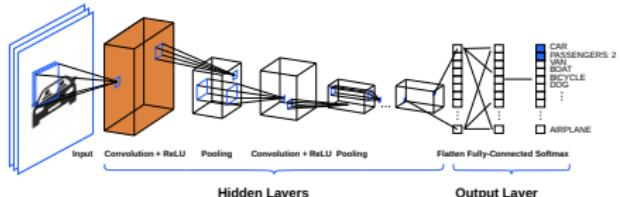
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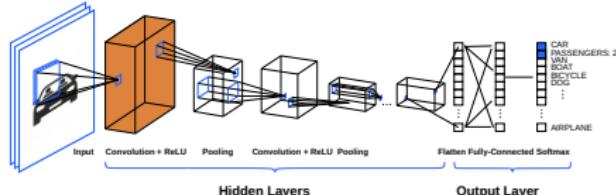
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The stride of the convolution (how many pixel the filter jumps each time) is not necessarily 1 pixel.

The size of the convolution output depends on implementation factors and might not be identical to the input.

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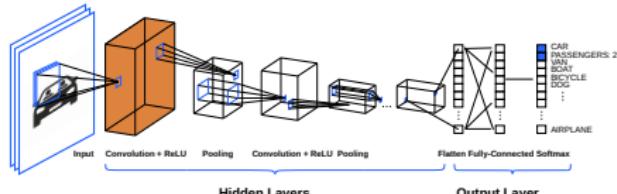
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Image size: $I \times I$

Filter size: $F \times F$

Stride: S

the **floor** operator: the smallest integer less than or equal to the input

Output size (in each dimension): $\lfloor (I - F)/S \rfloor + 1$
assuming the filter is not allowed to go beyond the edge



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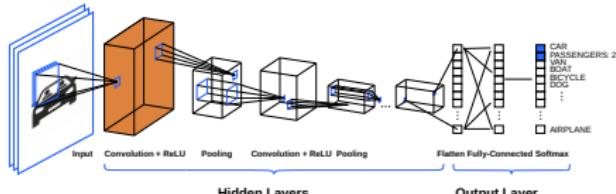
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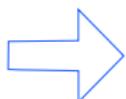
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The result is a reduction in the output size, even for $S=1$
If this is not acceptable: Use **padding**.

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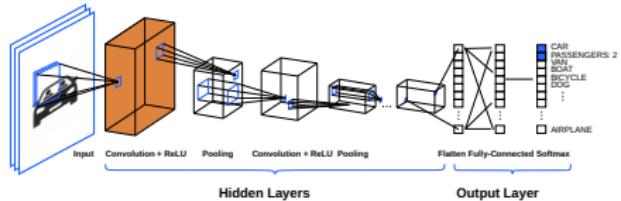
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The solution: Zero Padding

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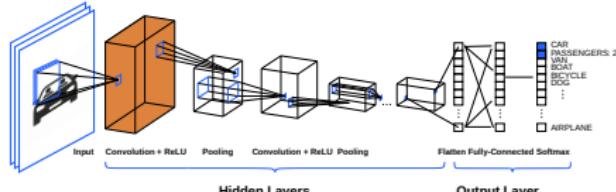
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For an F width filter:

odd F : pad on left, right, top, bottom with a width of $(F - 1)/2$ zeros

even F : pad one side and top with $F/2$ zeros, and the other side and bottom with a width of $L/2 - 1$ zeros

The resulting image width is $I + F - 1$, the result of the convolution has width I

For a stride $S > 1$, zero padding is adjusted to ensure that the result of the convolution has width $\lceil I/S \rceil$: first zero-padding the image with $S\lceil I/S \rceil - I$ zeros and then apply the rules above.

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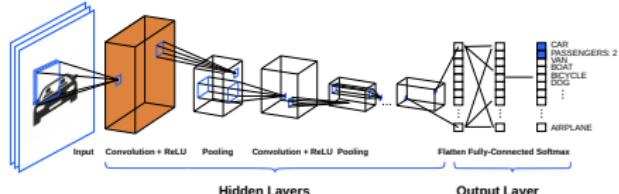
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The **Computational Cost** of carrying out the convolution (cross-correlation) operation:

the cost of scanning an $I \times I$ image with a $F \times F$ filter is $\mathcal{O}(I^2F^2)$: we have F^2 multiplications at each of I^2 image pixels in the equation

$$y_{i,j} = \sum_l \sum_k x_{i+l, j+m} w_{l,m}$$

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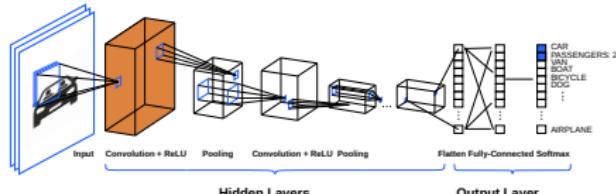
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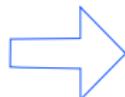
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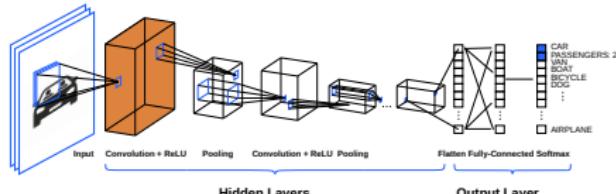
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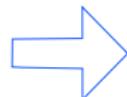
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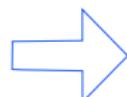


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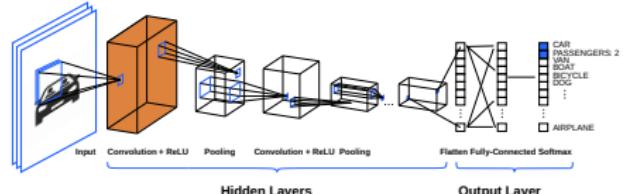
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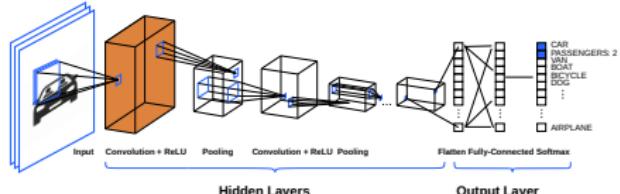
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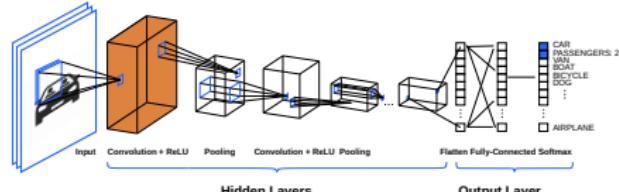
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In addition to its ability to capture complex patterns, the small number of weights (filters are usually small relative to the images) in each layer makes the CNN very efficient to train.

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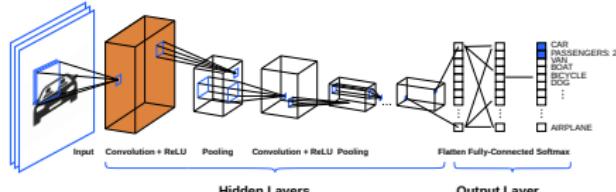
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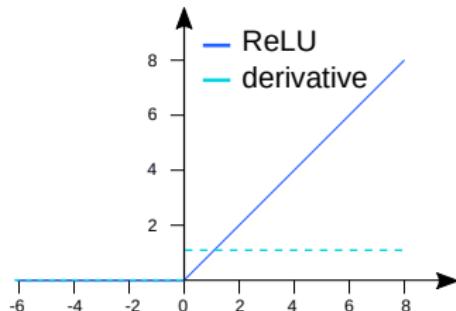
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After each convolution operation, a **Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)** transformation is applied to the feature map, introducing nonlinearity to the model.

This is the activation function we have seen before.

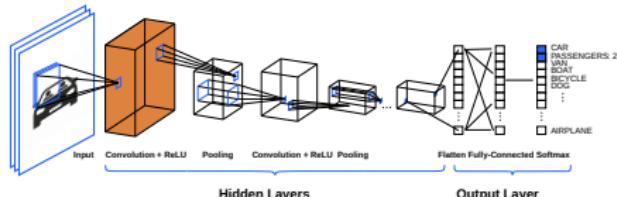
ReLU effectively removes negative values from an activation map by setting them to zero.



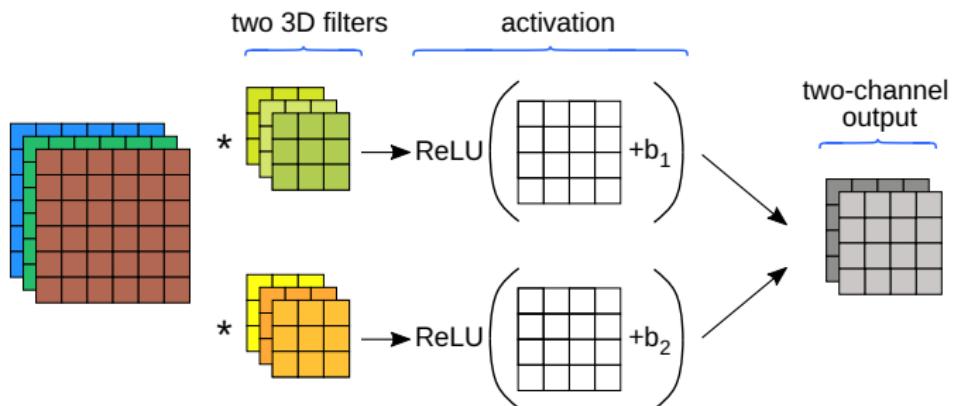
$$\varphi(z) = \max(0, z)$$

$$\varphi'(z) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } z \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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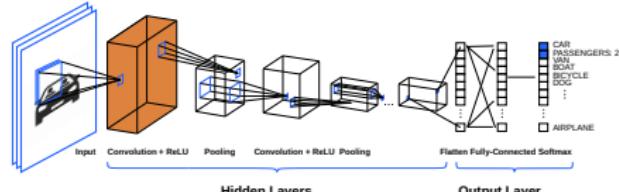


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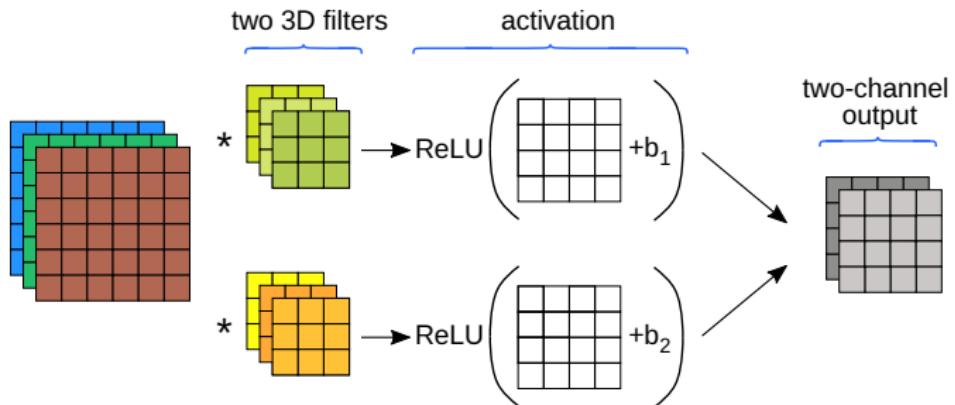


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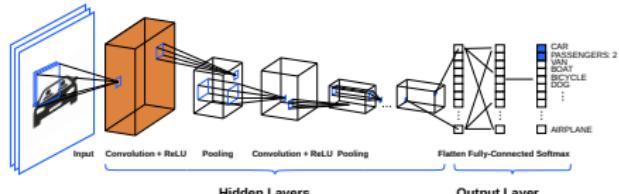
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The number of channels in a Convolutional Layer output equals the number of 3D (length \times width \times channels) filters used in the layer.

During the 3D convolutions, each output channel, as a 2D matrix, has additional bias broadcasted to each element, before a ReLU activation function is applied.

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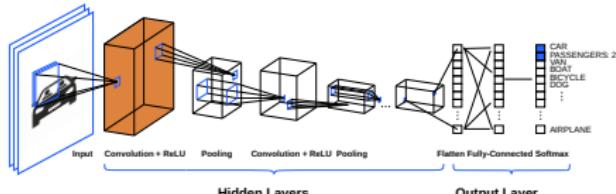
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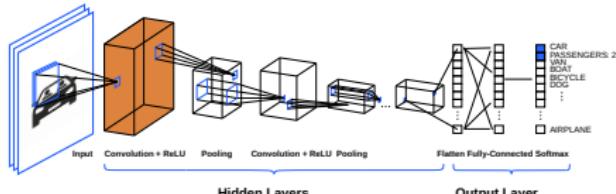
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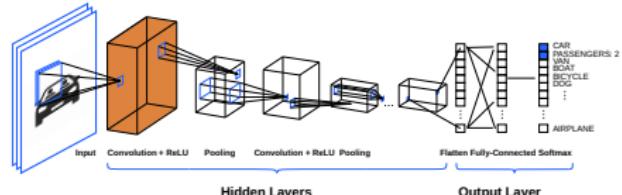
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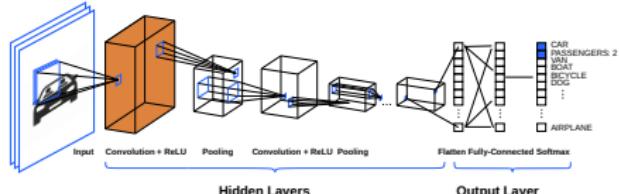
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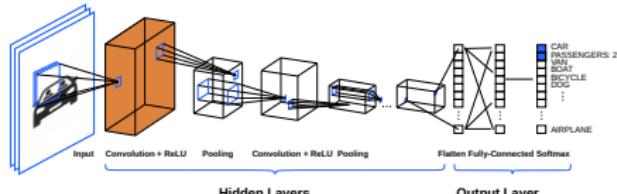


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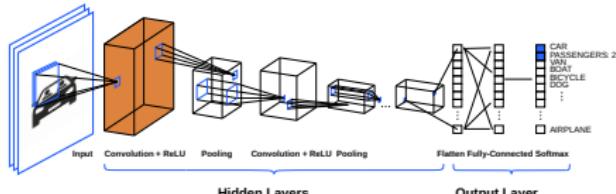
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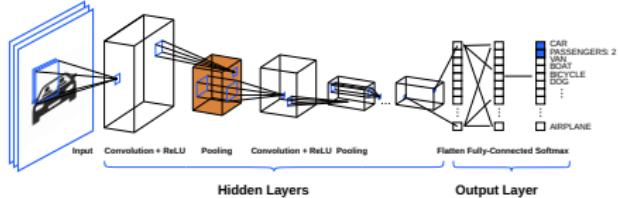
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- I input size
- F filter size
- P padding size
- S stride size
- n number of filters
- n_{prev} number of filters in previous layer

} output dimensions: $\lfloor \frac{I+2P-F}{S} + 1 \rfloor^2$
filter dimension: $F^2 \times n_{prev}$
number of weights: $F^2 \times n_{prev} \times n$
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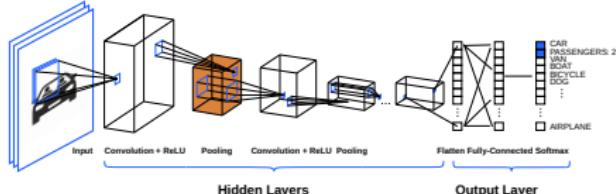
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In detail, a pooling layer carries out the following tasks:

- Extract the most important (relevant) features by getting the maximum number or averaging the numbers.
- Reduce the dimensionality (number of pixels) of the output returned from previous convolutional layers.
- Reduce the number of parameters in the network.
- Remove any noise present in the features extracted by previous convolutional layers.
- Increase the accuracy of CNNs.

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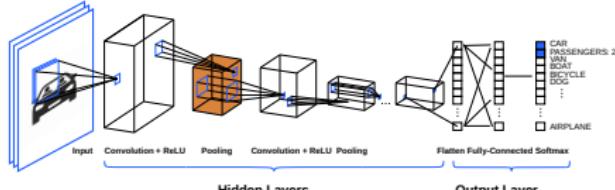
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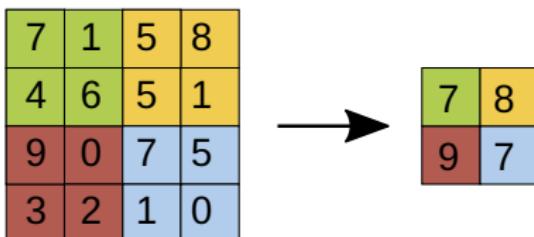
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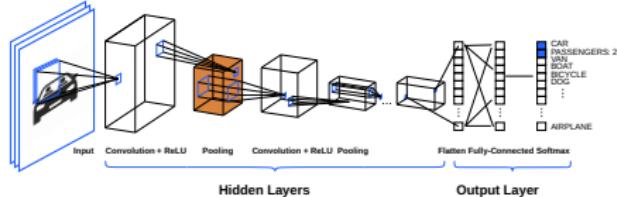
The pooling layer contains three elements: Feature Map, Filter and Pooled Feature Map.

The **Pooling Operation** happens between a section of the feature map and the filter. It outputs the pooled feature map which is a downsampled version of the feature map.

Example: Maximum Pooling here: with a 2×2 filter and $S = 2$



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alternatives:

p-Norm Pooling

here: with a 2×2 filter and $S = 2$, $p = 5$

$$\sqrt[p]{\frac{1}{p^2} \sum_{i,j} x_{ij}^p}$$

\rightarrow

4.86	8
2.38	3.16

A diagram illustrating p-Norm Pooling. On the left is a 4x4 input matrix with values: Row 1: 1, 1, 2, 4; Row 2: 5, 6, 7, 8; Row 3: 3, 2, 1, 0; Row 4: 1, 2, 3, 4. A 2x2 pooling window slides across the input with a stride of 2. The output is a 2x2 matrix where each element is the p-norm of the 2x2 input window it covers. For example, the top-left element is $\sqrt[5]{(1+1)^2 + (2+4)^2} = \sqrt[5]{36} \approx 4.86$.

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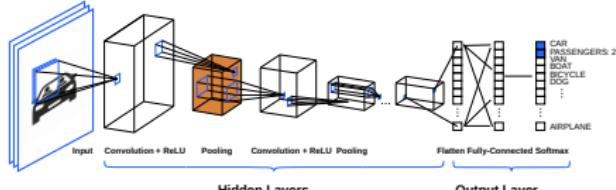
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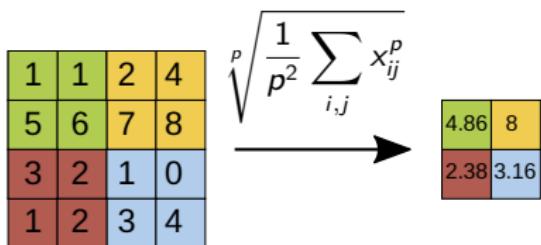
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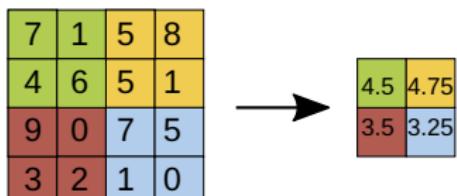
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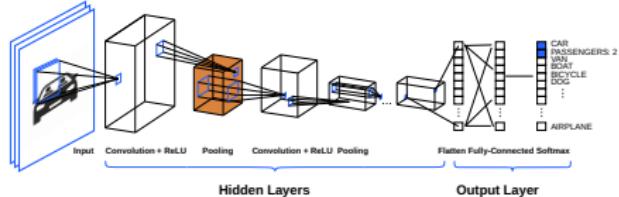


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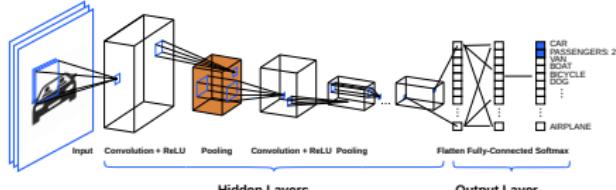
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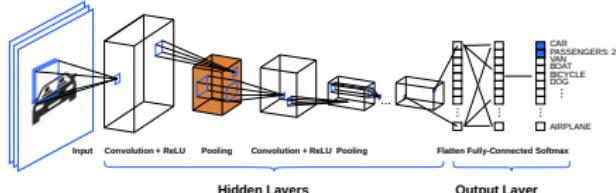
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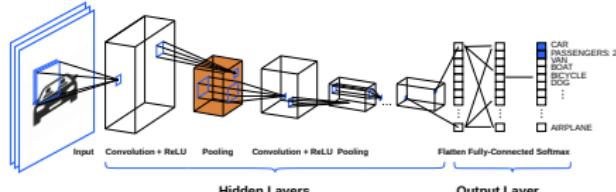


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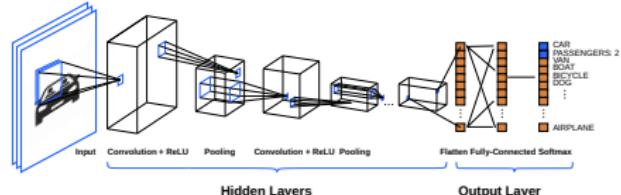


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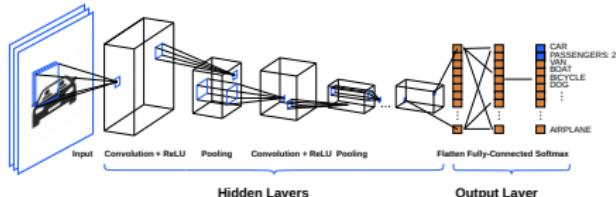
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As input, the previous layer is flattened. There can be multiple fully connected layers. The final layer carries out the classification.

The ReLU activation is used in each fully connected layer except in the final layer in which we use the Softmax activation for multiclass classification.

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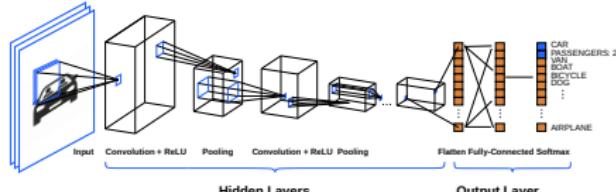
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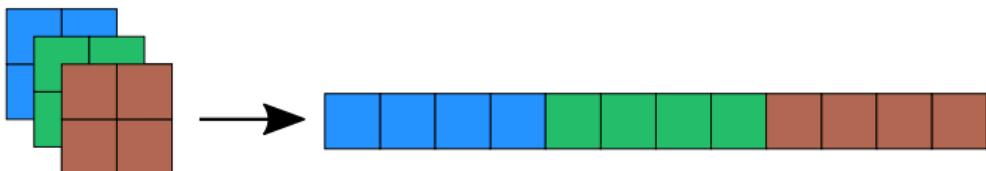
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A **Flatten Operation** is necessary:

In a CNN, the final pooled feature map is fed to a Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) to classify the feature map it into a class label.

MPLs only accept one-dimensional data - this requires flattening the final pooled feature map into a single column. Unlike flattening the original image, important pixel dependencies are retained when pooled maps are flattened.



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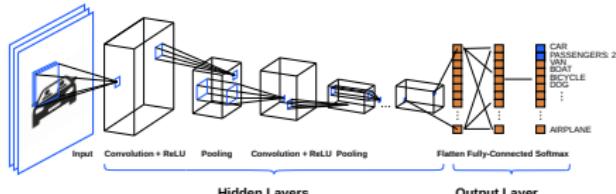
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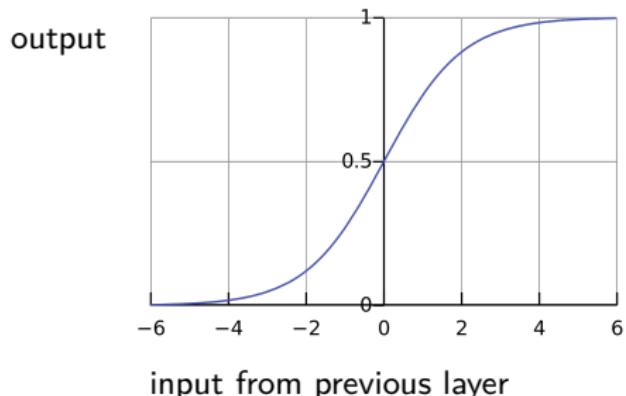
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The Fully Connected Layers learn non-linear combinations of the high-level features as represented by the output of the convolutional layer.

Neurons in a fully connected layer have connections to all activations in the previous layer, as seen in regular (non-convolutional) artificial neural networks.

The **activation function** is usually a softmax function:



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Let the filters in the j th layer be of size $L_j \times L_j$

For the j th layer we will require $K_j(K_{j-1}L_j^2 + 1)$ filter parameters.

The total number of parameters for each convolutional layer is then

$$\sum_j K_j(K_{j-1}L_j^2 + 1)$$

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Training through gradient descent

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for every layer l for all filter indices m , until loss has converged update $\theta_k \rightarrow \theta_{k+1}$:

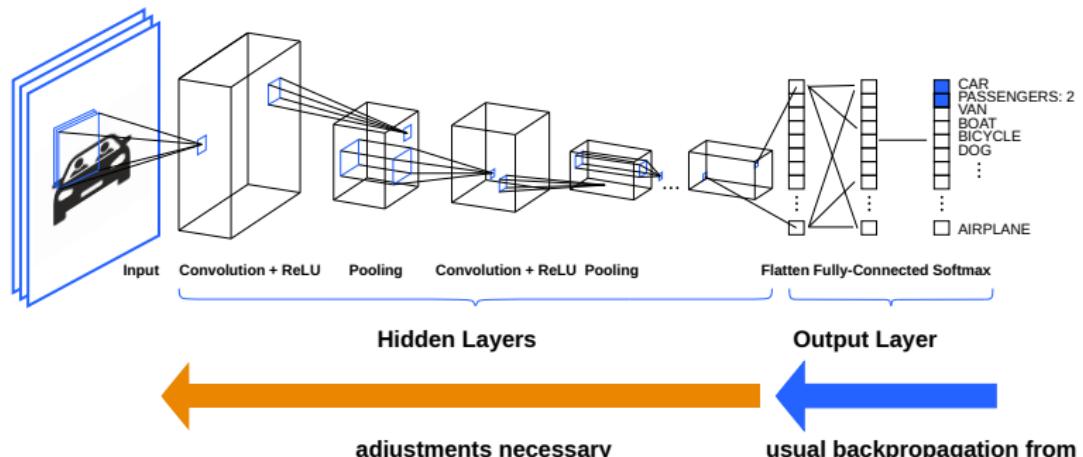
$$\theta_{k+1}(l, m, j, x, y) = \theta_k(l, m, j, x, y) - \eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial \theta_k(l, m, j, x, y)}$$

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Backpropagation continues in the usual manner until the computation of the derivative of the divergence w.r.t. its inputs to the first "flat" layer

Backpropagation from the flat MLP requires special consideration:

- the shared computation in the convolution layers
- the pooling layers



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Both the Forward pass and the Backpropagation of a Convolutional layer are Convolutions.

So the gradients for backpropagation become, with filter F , layer output y_l and layer input $x = y_{l-1}$:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial F} = \text{Conv}\left(\text{input } x, \text{loss gradient } \frac{\partial E}{\partial y}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial x} = \text{Conv}\left(180^\circ \text{ rotated filter } F', \text{ loss gradient } \frac{\partial E}{\partial y}\right)$$

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General Applications of Convolution Neural Networks:

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- Speech Recognition

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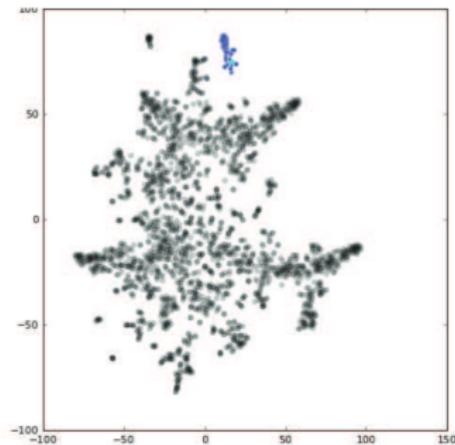
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Specific Applications in Astronomy: example:



left: the Hubble Heritage image of the Carina Nebula
right: the locations of each of the 2240 sub images in the clustering space

Convolutional Neural Networks in Astronomy, and Applications for Diffuse Structure Discovery, Peek, J. E. G.; Jones, Craig K.; Hargis, Jonathan, Astronomical Data Analysis Software and Systems XXVII, April 2020

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Rotation-invariant convolutional neural networks for galaxy morphology prediction, S. Dieleman, K. W. Willett, J. Dambre (2015)

Measuring the morphological parameters of galaxies is a key requirement for studying their formation and evolution. The deep neural network model for galaxy morphology classification exploits translational and rotational symmetry.

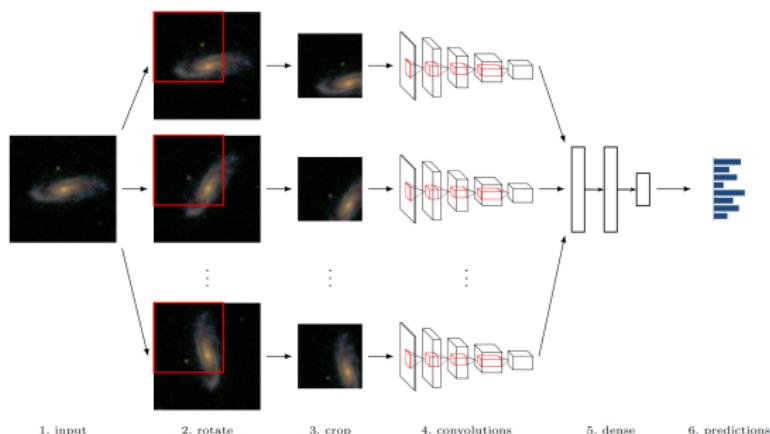
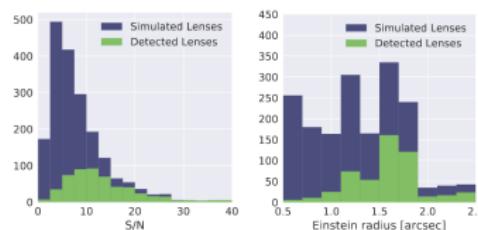


Figure 4: Schematic overview of the CNN architecture. The input (1) is rotated/flipped for different viewpoints (2), which are cropped to reduce redundancy (3). Processing is done by convolutional and pooling layers (4), their output is concatenated and processed by dense layers (5) to obtain predictions (6).

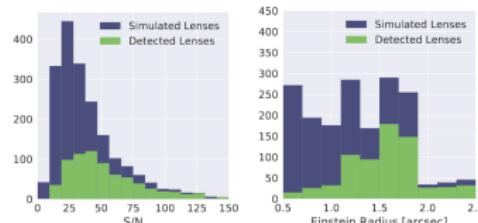
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CMU DeepLens: Deep Learning For Automatic Image-based Galaxy-Galaxy Strong Lens Finding, F. Lanusse, Qu. Ma, N. Li, et al. (2017)

CMU DeepLens is a fully automated galaxy-galaxy lens finding method based on Deep Learning, trained and validated on 20,000 LSST-like mock observations including a range of lensed systems of various sizes and signal-to-noise ratios.



(a) Single best epoch images



(b) Stack images

Figure 7. S/N and Einstein radius distribution of the simulated and recovered lens populations, for our fiducial 1% FPR detection threshold.

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Searching for exoplanets using artificial intelligence, K. A. Pearson, L. Palafox, C. A. Griffith (2018)

the ideal algorithm should be

- fast
- robust to noise
- capable of learning and abstracting highly nonlinear systems

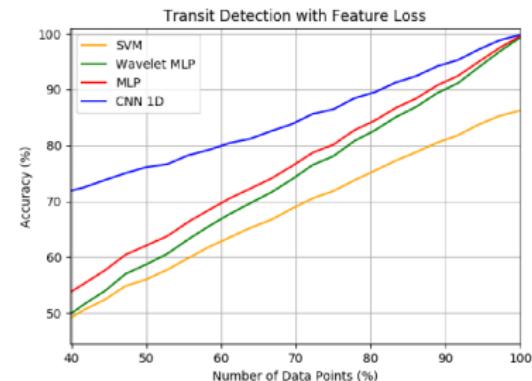
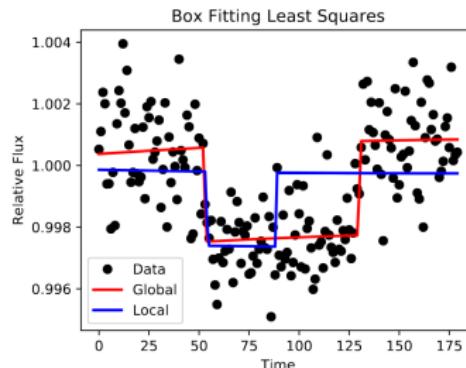


Figure 2. Past transit detection algorithms are accomplished by correlating the data with a simple box model through a least-squares optimization.

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Finding Strong Gravitational Lenses in the Kilo Degree Survey with Convolutional Neural Networks, C. E. Petrillo, C. Tortora, S. Chatterjee et al. (2017)

A morphological classification method based on a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) for recognizing strong gravitational lenses is applied to the 255 square degrees of the Kilo Degree Survey (KiDS), one of the current-generation optical wide surveys.

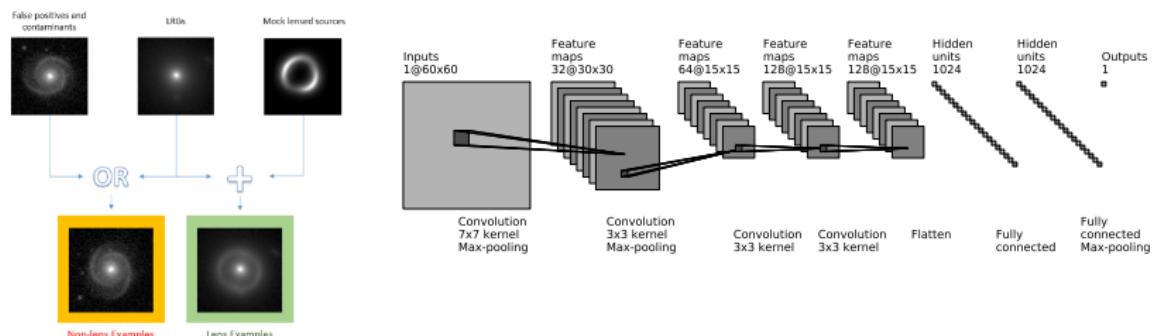


Figure 3. A schematic of the training-set creation.

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Quasar microlensing light curve analysis using deep machine learning,
G. Vernardos & G. Tsagkatakis (2019)

Objective: Use CNN to model quasar microlensing light curves and extract the size and temperature profile of the accretion disc.

The effects of microlensing are simulated by magnification maps: pixellated representations of the source plane caustics due to the microlenses.

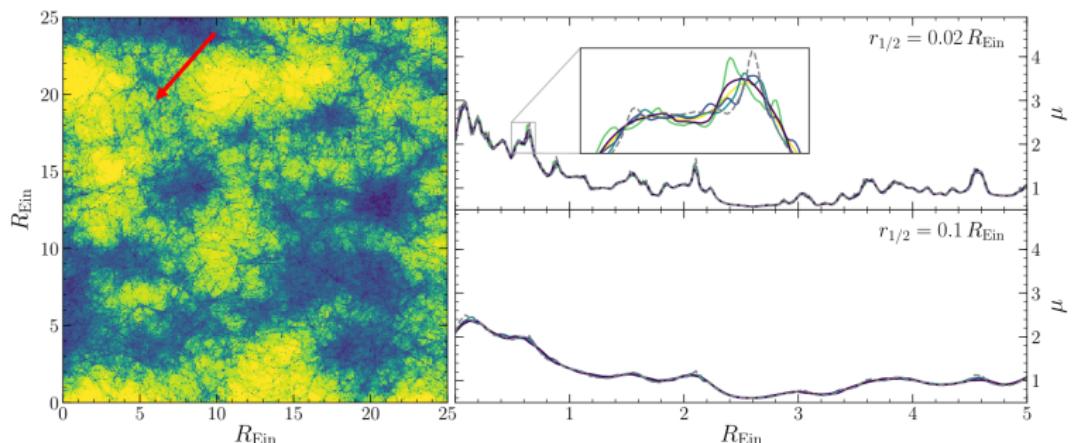


Figure 2. Mock light curve from magnification map. The light curve trajectory on the map is depicted as a red arrow.

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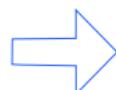
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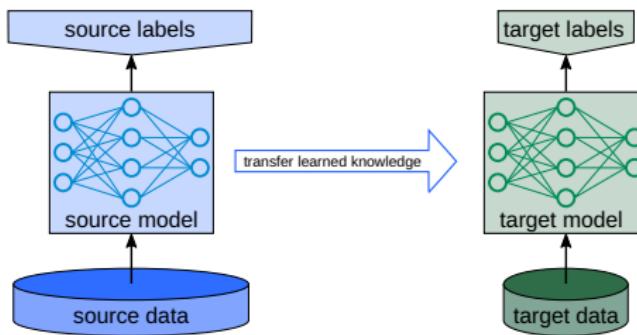
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There are several common CNN architectures we can adapt to solve our science questions.

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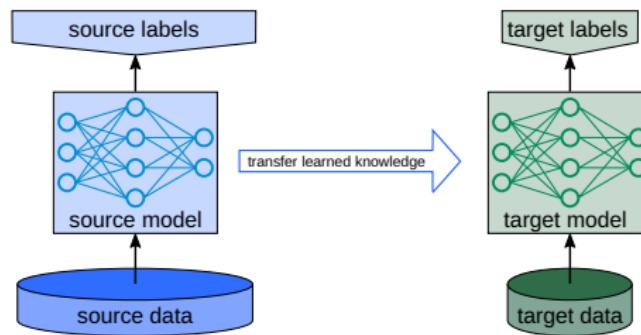
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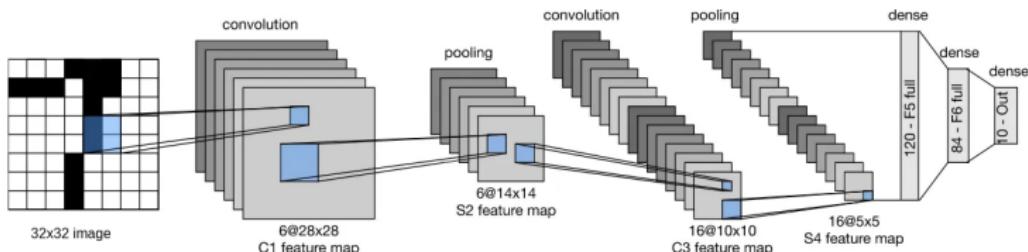


Following is the general outline for transfer learning for object recognition:

1. Load in a pre-trained CNN model trained on a large dataset.
2. Freeze parameters (weights) in model's lower convolutional layers.
3. Add custom classifier with several layers of trainable parameters.
4. Train classifier layers on training data available for task.
5. Fine-tune hyperparameters and unfreeze more layers as needed.

LeNet-5

Lenet-5 was proposed by Y. LeCun (1998) in **Gradient-Based Learning Applied to Document Recognition**. This CNN is used to predict handwritten numeric characters in greyscale images.



Excluding pooling, LeNet-5 consists of 5 layers:

- 2 convolution layers with kernel size 5×5 , followed by
- 3 fully connected layers.

Tanh activation function is used except for the last layer (which has softmax). LeNet-5 has 60,000 trainable parameters.

Input: 32×32 pixel image. Largest character is 20×20 . Pixel values are normalized (mean of pixels = 0, std of pixels = 1).

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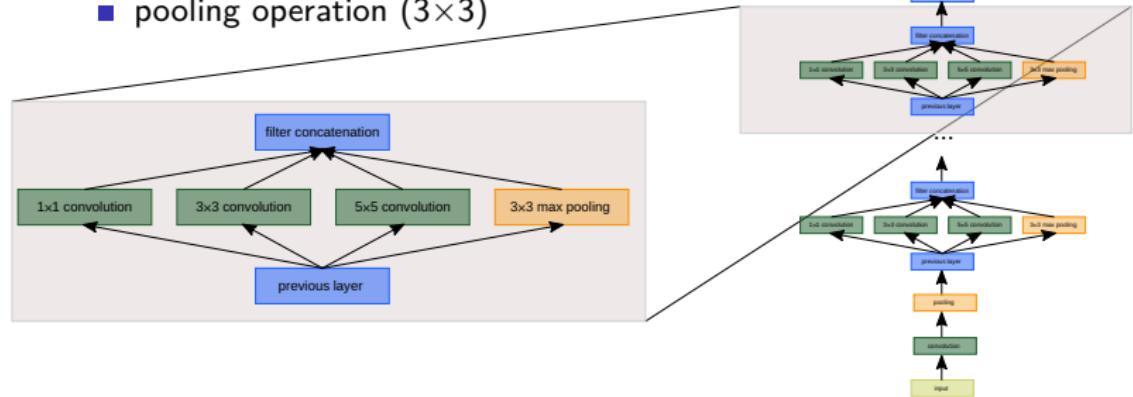
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GoogLeNet, also called Inception-v1 (Szegedy et al. 2014) is built on the concept of a **inception module**: design a good local network topology and then **stack** these modules on top of each other (network within a network)

a naive inception module:

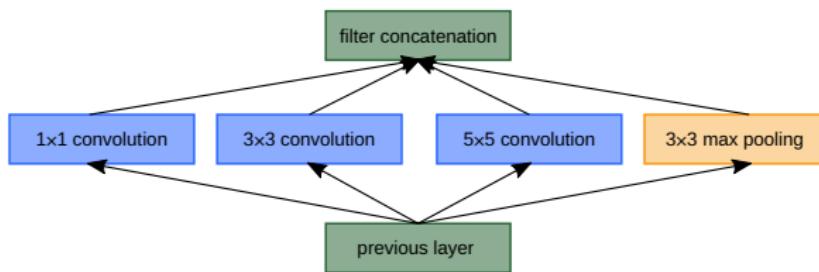
apply parallel filter operations on the input from previous layer:

- multiple receptive field sizes for convolution ($1 \times 1, 3 \times 3, 5 \times 5$)
- pooling operation (3×3)



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the problem: **computational complexity**



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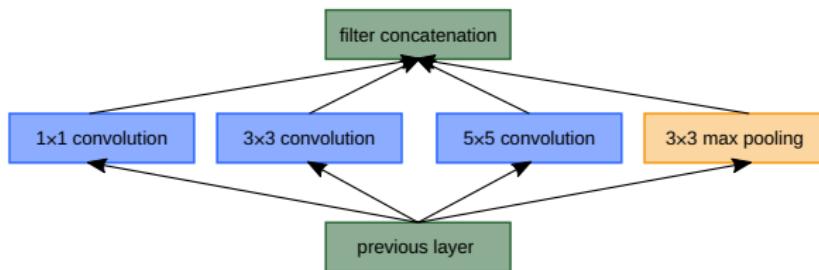
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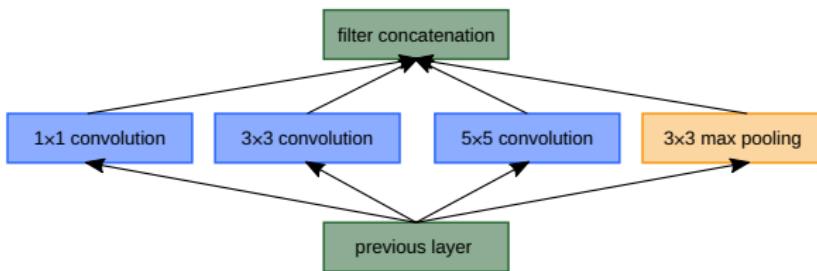
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plus: **pooling layer** preserves the feature depth which means total depth after concatenation can only grow at every layer

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Solution (Szegedy et al. 2014): **bottleneck layers** that use 1×1 convolutions to reduce feature depth

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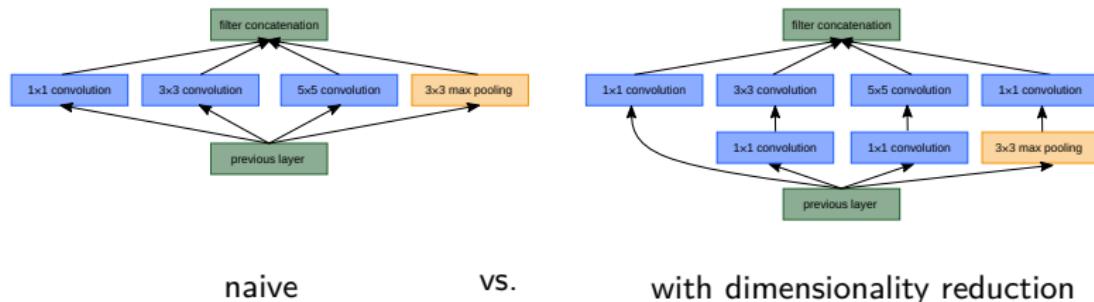
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computationally more efficient:

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total 358×10^6 operations (compared to 854×10^6 operations for the naive version)

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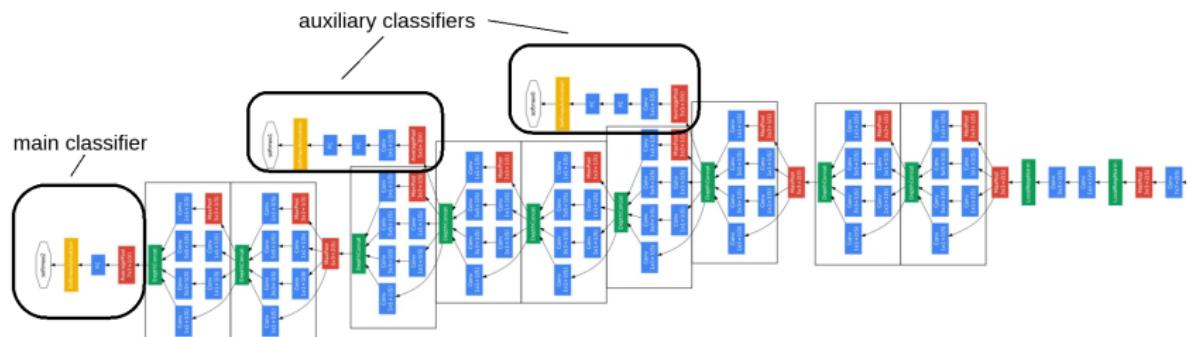
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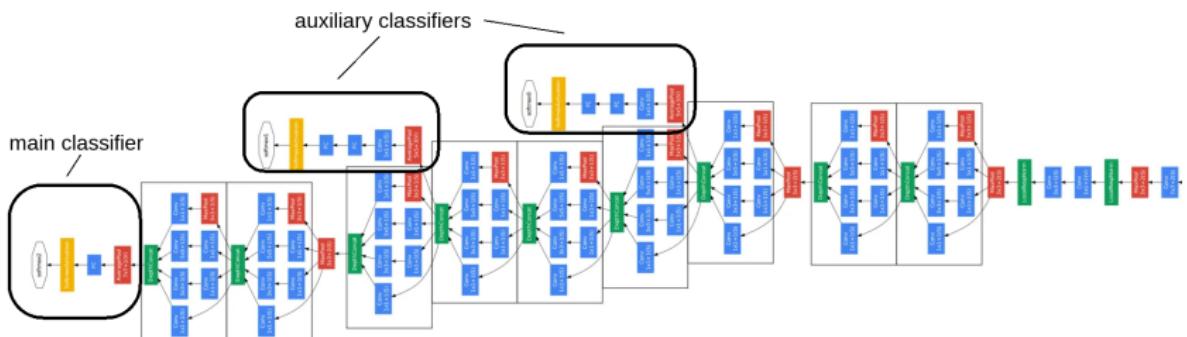
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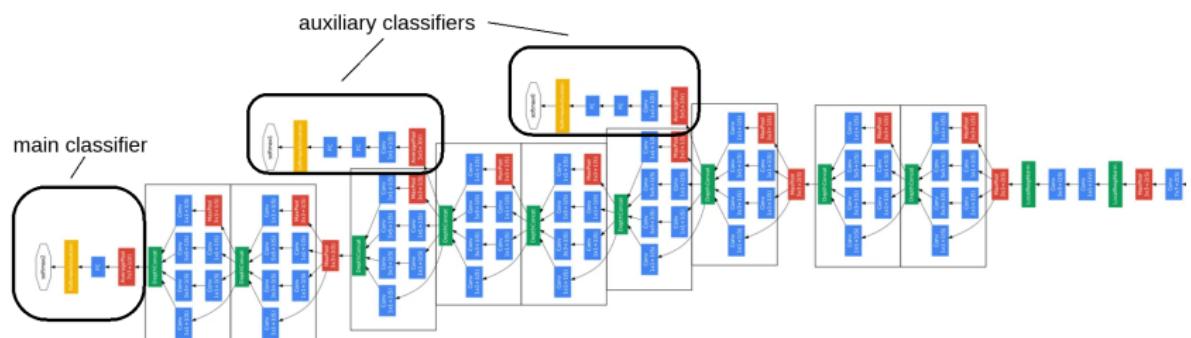
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Auxiliary classifiers start with a 5×5 average-pooling, followed by a convolution layer with 1×1 kernel size and two fully connected layers.



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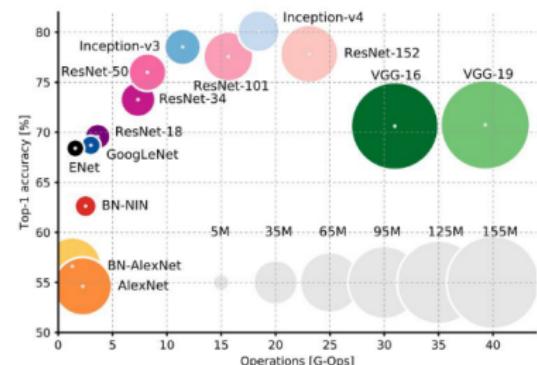
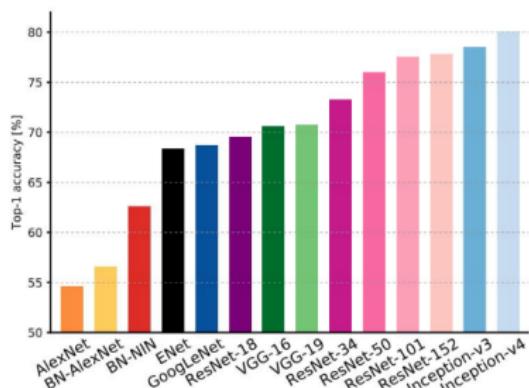
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An Analysis of Deep Neural Network Models for Practical Applications, 2017.

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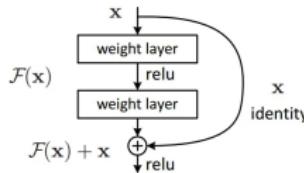
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Motivation	AlexNet	$244 \times 244 \times 3$	1000	8	60M	ReLU	local response normalization
Convolutional Neural Networks	VGG-16	$244 \times 244 \times 3$	1000	16	138M	ReLU	very deep but single-thread
Convolution Layer	GoogLeNet	$244 \times 244 \times 3$	1000	22	7M	ReLU	inception module, auxiliary classifiers
Pooling Layer	ResNet-50	$244 \times 244 \times 3$	1000	50	26M	ReLU	batch normalization, residual blocks

local response normalization:

This implements the idea of lateral inhibition where an excited neuron inhibits its neighbours, leading to contrast in that area.

residual blocks:

Traditionally, each layer feeds into the next layer. In a network with residual blocks, each layer feeds into the next layer and into the layers about 2-3 hops away.



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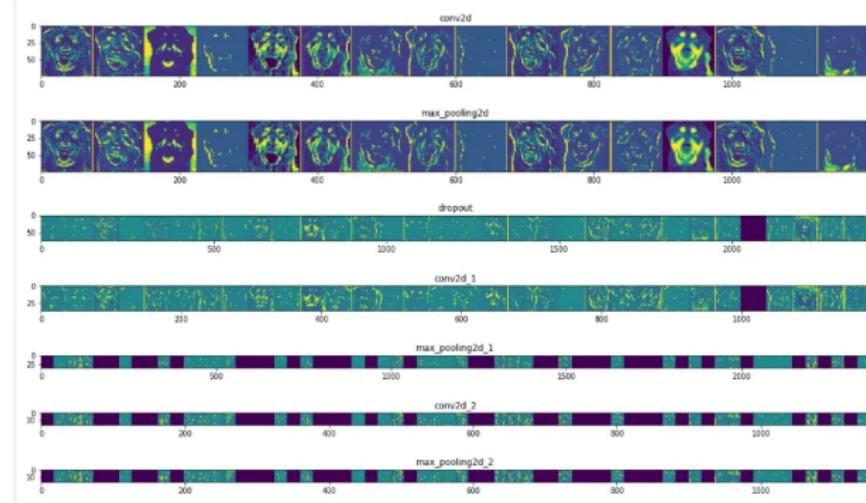
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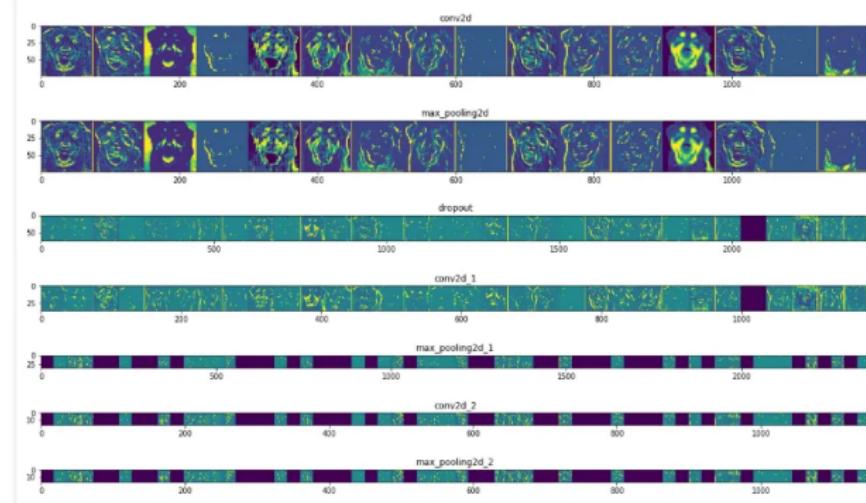
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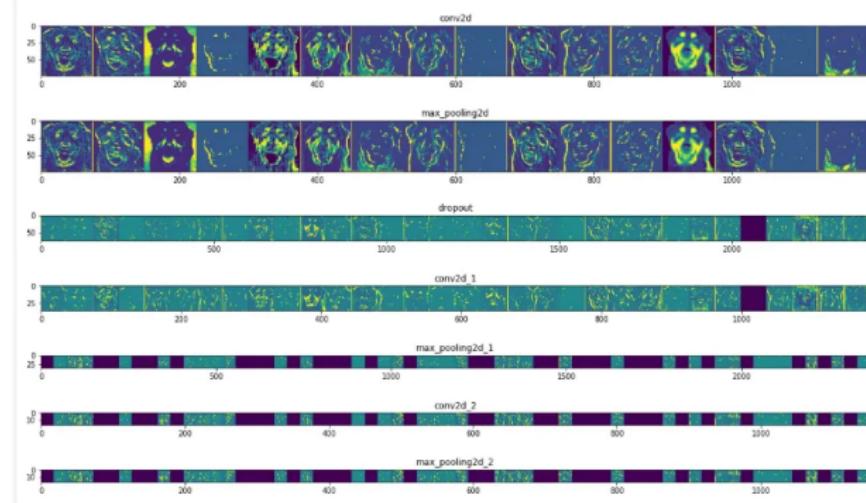
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This can be done with a process called **Gradient Ascent**.

Gradient Ascent starts with a zero or random image and continuously backpropagates until an image is generated that maximizes the score for the particular class (e.g.: dog).



Fooling a CNN

a CNN's classification:

African elephant



koala



schooner



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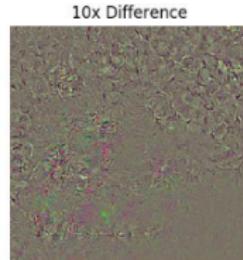
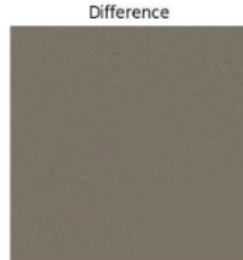
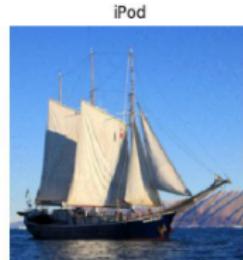
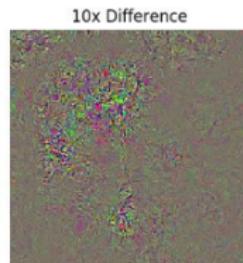
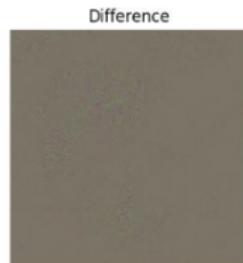
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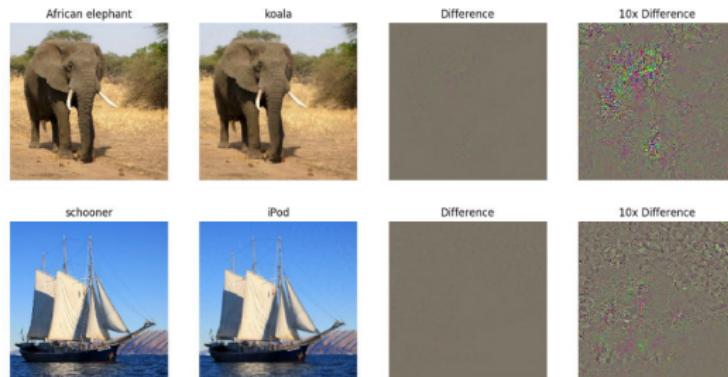
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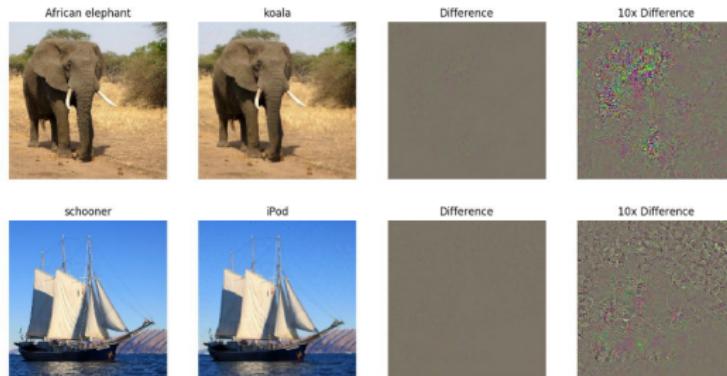
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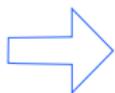
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Notice that the changes are so minimal that the two images are indistinguishable to humans

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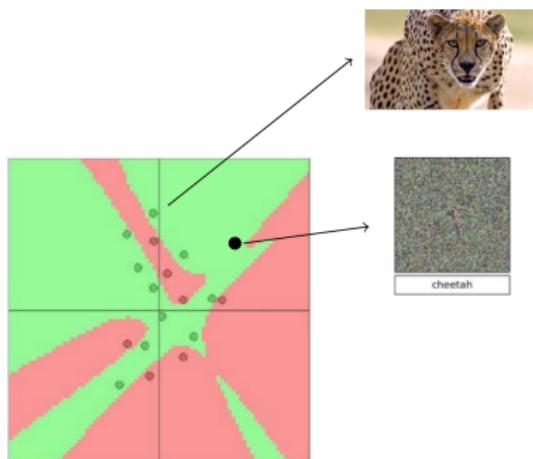
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Why does this work?

Using the training images we fit some **decision boundaries** in the high-dimensional parameter space.

While doing so based on the **finite set of training images**, also decisions about many unseen points in parameter space are made.

As a result: Of the many points in this high-dimensional parameter space belonging to a certain class, only a few represent true images.



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Google's Deep Dream

A fun way to use CNN:



Exaggerating feature attributes or textures using information that the bvlc_googlenet model learned during training.



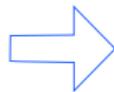
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A fun way to use CNN:

1. Forward propagate a baseline image through your model. Compute the activations at a chosen layer.
2. To maximize the neuron activations in the layer we care about, set the gradient of chosen layer equal to its activation.
3. During the backward pass, compute the gradient on the loss w.r.t. the input image, as in the case of gradient ascent.
4. Execute the update rule to update your input image. We change the image so that these neurons fire even more.



you can try it out at: <https://deeppai.org/>



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CNNs enable us to deal with images more naturally.

Next time we look at another neural network architecture:
recurrent neural networks (RNN).

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June 5: **Presentation on project idea**

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Presentation (15 minutes) should cover:

1. Clear explanation of the overall problem you want to solve
2. The dataset(s) you will use
2. Relationship to the topics covered in class: Which models/algorithms are you planning to use, how will you evaluate performance
4. List of papers you plan to read as references
5. How will you structure the project, rough timeline