HANDS-ON ALL

Convolutional Neural Networks



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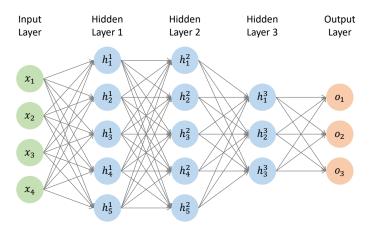
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Content of Unit 6

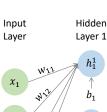
- Short recap on neural networks.
- Introduction to Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs):
 - Image data properties, receptive field
 - Convolution, kernels
 - □ Building blocks and structure of CNNs

Recap: Neural Network Components

Input layer, hidden layers, output layer



Recap: Weight Matrices



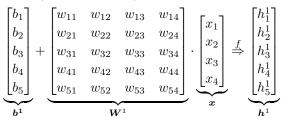
- x_2 h_2^2
 - x_3
 - h_4^1
 - h_5^1

Output h_1^1 of first node/neuron (layer 1):

$$z = b_1 + \sum_{i=1}^{4} w_{1i} x_i$$
 $h_1^1 = f(z)$

with some activation function f

Output of entire layer 1:



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| data: |
| ☐ Pixel data |
| ☐ Audio data |
| □ Voxel data |
| □ |

ILSVRC 2012: CNNs Classify Images Far Better Than Any Other Methods



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AlexNet

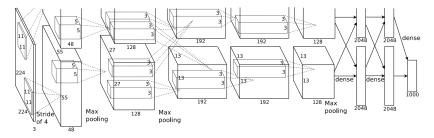


Figure 2: An illustration of the architecture of our CNN, explicitly showing the delineation of responsibilities between the two GPUs. One GPU runs the layer-parts at the top of the figure while the other runs the layer-parts at the bottom. The GPUs communicate only at certain layers. The network's input is 150,528-dimensional, and the number of neurons in the network's remaining layers is given by 253,440–186,624–64,896–64,896–43,264–4096–1000.

- Won ILSVRC 2012 by a landslide
- After Krizhevsky et al. won ILSVRC 2012, "everyone" started using CNNs for image tasks.

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MAIN CONCEPTS OF CNNS

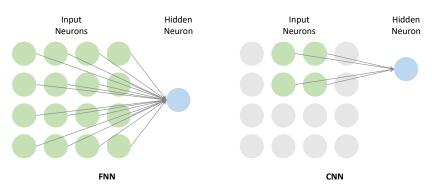


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- Receptive field: Connect network to patch of image using weight matrix (=kernel or filter)

- FNN: In a feed-forward neural network, each hidden neuron is connected to all neurons of the previous layer.
- CNN: In a convolutional neural network, a hidden neuron is only connected to a few neurons in the previous layer.



Mathematical operations on two functions:

$$(h*k)(a,b) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} h(a+i,b+j)k(i,j)$$

- Technically, it is a cross-correlation or sliding dot product (the visual example when talking about weight sharing later on should convey this more clearly).¹
- By convention, we refer to it as convolution.

¹Also, the formula only shows the 2D case. While this is the typical scenario (and in this course, we keep it that way), we are not limited to 2D.

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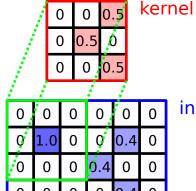
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 - Interactive kernel demo: https://setosa.io/ev/image-kernels/



$$0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 1.0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 = 0.5$$

input



kernel

$$0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1.0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0.4 = 0.2$$

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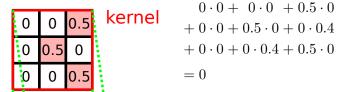
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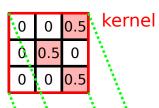
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input

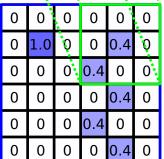


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| 0 | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.4 | 0 |
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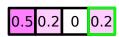
input



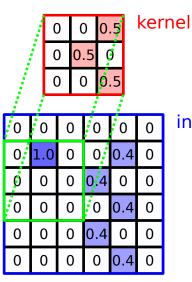
| $0 \cdot 0 +$ | $0 \cdot 0$ | $+0.5 \cdot 0$ |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| + 0.0 + 0 | $0.5\cdot 0.4$ | $4 + 0 \cdot 0$ |
| $+ 0 \cdot 0.4 +$ | $0 \cdot 0$ | $+0.5 \cdot 0$ |
| = 0.2 | | |



input

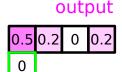


Weight Sharing (k: 3×3 , i: 6×6 , o: 4×4)



$$0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 1.0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 0 = 0$$

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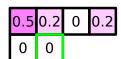
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output



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| 0 | 0.5 | 0 |
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input

output

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Sobel Filter: Vertical Edge Detection



$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$$



Sobel Filter: Horizontal Edge Detection



$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$$



Gaussian Blur Filter



$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{256} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 16 & 24 & 16 & 4 \\ 6 & 24 & 36 & 24 & 6 \\ 4 & 16 & 24 & 16 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow$$



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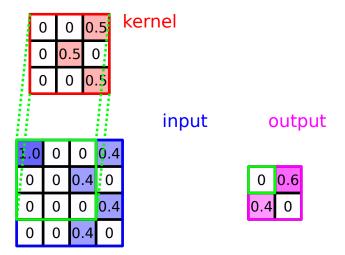
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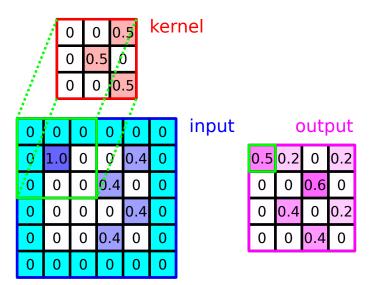
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STRIDING



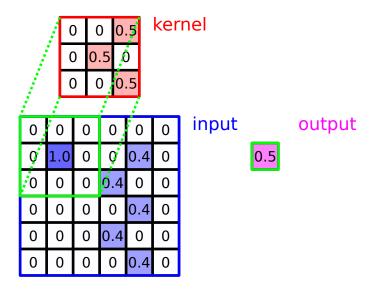
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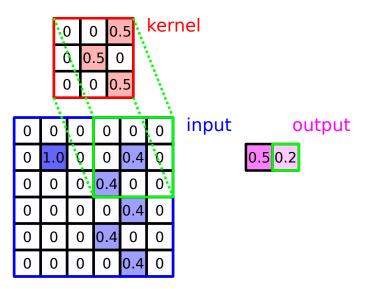
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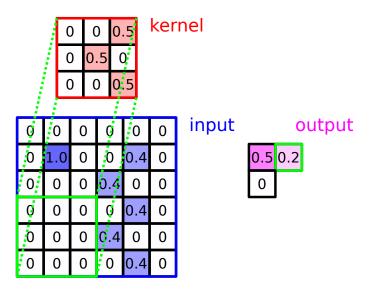
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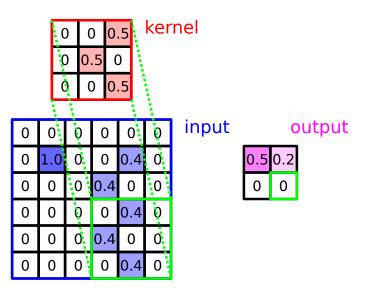
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kernel

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| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 |
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output

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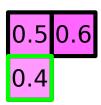
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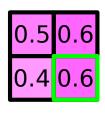
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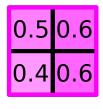
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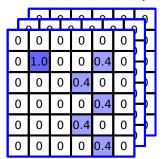
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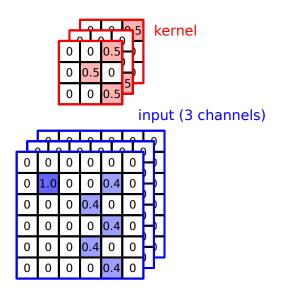
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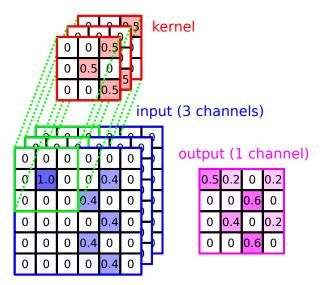
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- Regardless of the number of channels, a single feature map/channel will be produced (it just computes the sum of the channel-wise convolutions).

input (3 channels)

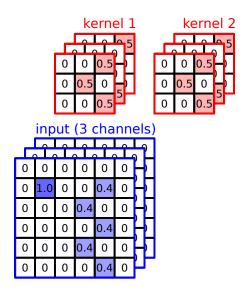


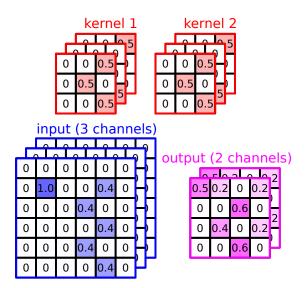




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CREATING A COMPLETE CNN



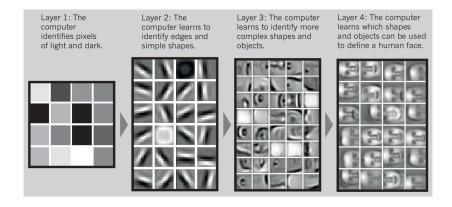
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https://poloclub.github.io/cnn-explainer/



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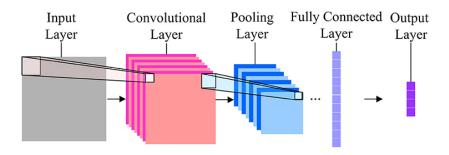
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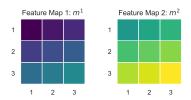
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Solution: Reshape the multi-dimensional output into a vector (a.k.a. flatten), and then apply a regular fully connected layer that maps the flattened size to K.



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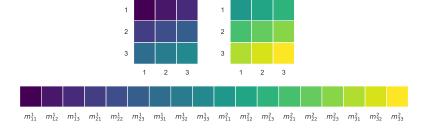
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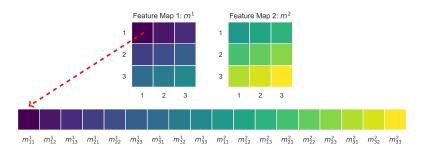
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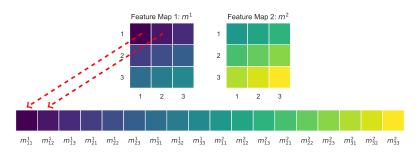
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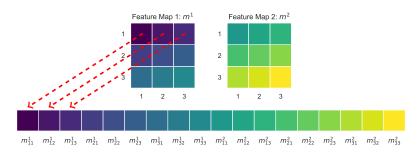
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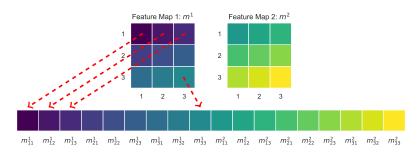
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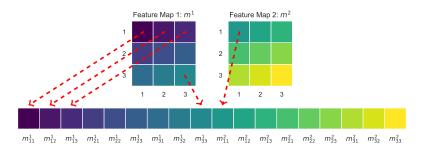
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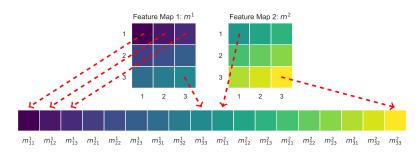
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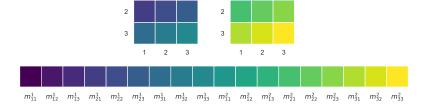


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