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1. **Dataset Preprocessing:**

- **Image Classification Dataset:**
  - Label images according to their respective categories.
  - Normalise image data, apply augmentations (like flips, rotations, etc.), and split the dataset into training, validation, and test sets.
- **Pathfinding Dataset:**
  - This can be either grid-based images or graphical representations where the model predicts paths. Preprocess similarly with normalisation and augmentations as necessary.

2. **Model Architectures:**

- **CNN (Convolutional Neural Networks):**
  - Use a simple CNN with multiple convolution (twist) layers followed by pooling, dense layers, and a final softmax activation for classification.
  - For pathfinding, adapt the CNN for predicting the coordinates or actions involved in finding paths within grids.
- **U-Net:**
  - Particularly useful for tasks involving segmentation, which can be beneficial for pathfinding problems. Identification of path regions.
  - U-Net can also be adapted for image classification by modifying the output layer to a classification layer.

3. **Model Training and Testing:**

- **Train CNN:** For both image classification and pathfinding, train the CNN model and evaluate its performance on validation data.
- **Train U-Net:** Similarly, train the U-Net for both image classification and pathfinding, and also for modifying the output layers.
- **Additional Architectures:** Consider trying other modern architectures like ResNet, EfficientNet for classification, or DQN for pathfinding.

4. **Evaluation basis:**

- For both tasks, evaluate the models using:
  - **Accuracy:** The percentage predicted instances.
  - **F1-Score:** providing a balance between both.
  - **Confusion Matrices:** To provide insights into the classification errors made by the models.