Learning through recreational research



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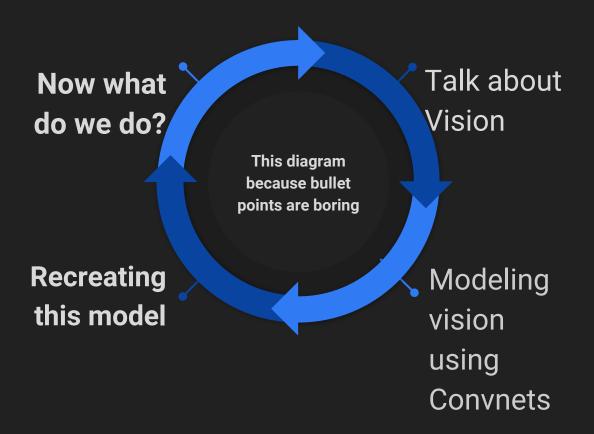
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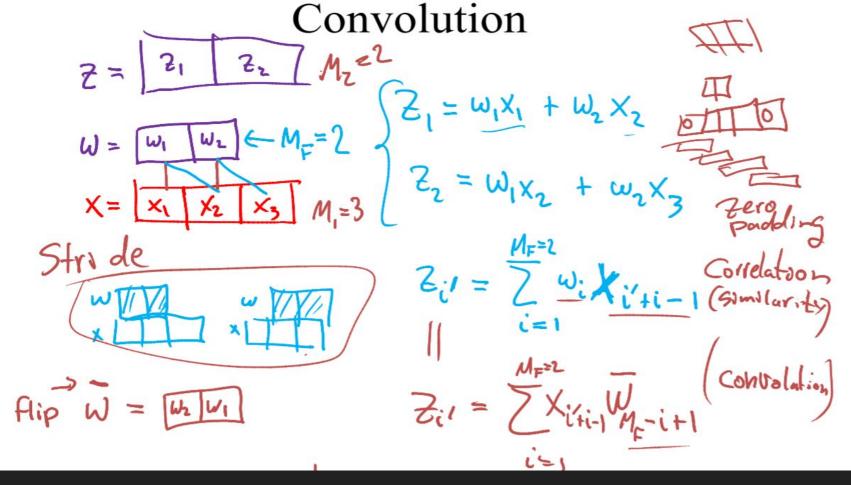


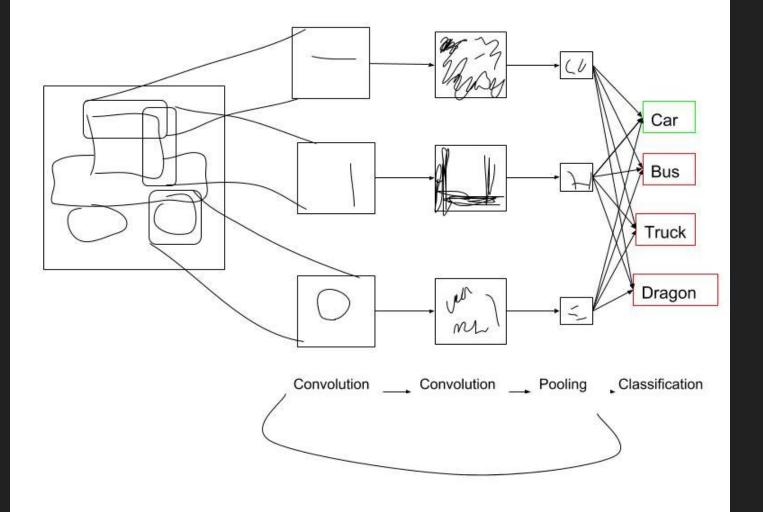
What are we doing here?

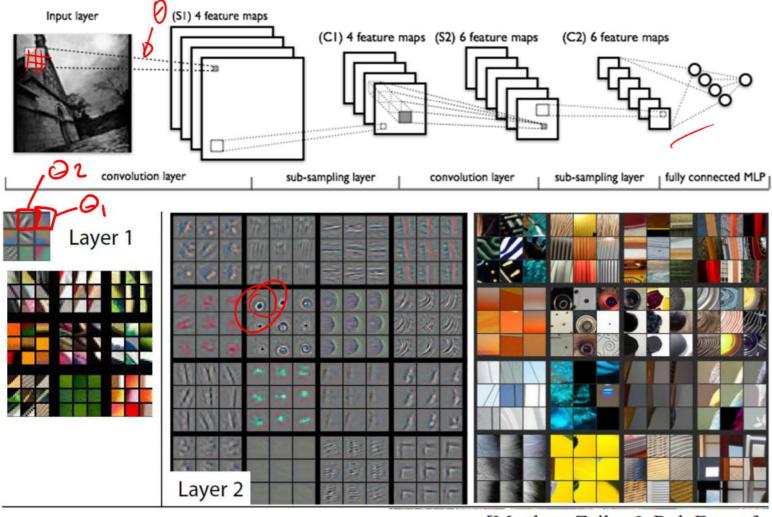
- Talking about Computer Vision (more specifically Convnets)
- Showing how Convnets work
- "Seeing" how Convnets learn by recreating the landmark NIPS 2012 paper
- Now what do we do?

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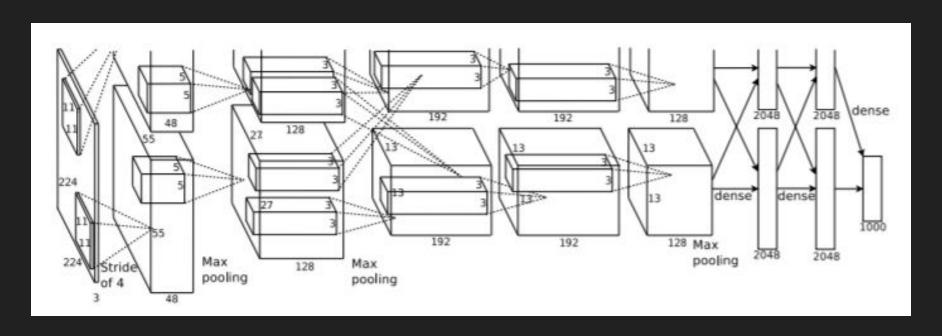








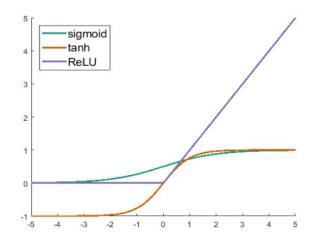
[Matthew Zeiler & Rob Fergus]



Jump to Jupyter notebook for recreating this model and jump to Section 3.5

Activation function

- Traditionally, saturating nonlinearities:
 - hyperbolic tangent function: $f(x) = \tanh(x) = 2 * \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2x}} 1$
 - sigmoid function: $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$
 - > slow to train
- Non-saturating nonlinearity:
 - Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU): $f(x) = \max(0, x)$
 - → quick to train



Local Response Normalization

- ReLUs do not require input normalization to prevent them from saturating
- However, Local Response Normalization aids generalization

$$b_{x,y}^{i} = a_{x,y}^{i} / \left(k + \alpha \sum_{j=\max(0,i-\frac{n}{2})}^{\min(N-1,i+\frac{n}{2})} (a_{x,y}^{j})^{2} \right)^{\beta}$$

k = 2 n = 5 $\alpha = 10^{-4}$ $\beta = 0.75$

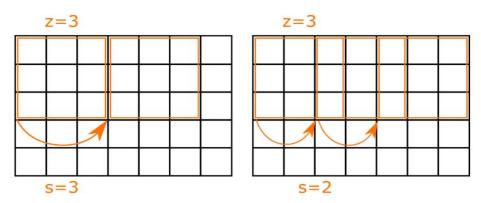
- Improvement:
 - top-1 error rate by 1.4%
 - top-5 error rate by 1.2%

sum runs over n "adjacent" kernel maps at the same spatial position

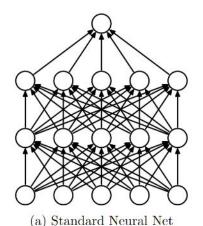
Overlapping Pooling

- Pooling layers summarize the outputs of neighboring neurons in the same kernel map.
- Overlapping pooling \rightarrow s < z

- Improvement using MaxPooling:
 - top-1 error rate by 0.4%
 - top-5 error rates by 0.3%



Reducing Overfitting - Dropout



(b) After applying dropout.

- Output of each hidden neuron is set to zero with probability 0.5
- Learning more robust features
- Doubles the number of iterations required to converge
- Applied in the first two fully connected layers

Stochastic Gradient Descent

- SGD with a batch size of 128
- Learning rate initialized at 0.01; divided by 10 if validation error rate stopped improving
- Update rule for weight w: $v_{i+1} \coloneqq 0.9 * v_i 0.0005 * \epsilon * w_i \epsilon * \left\langle \frac{\partial L}{\partial w} \right|_{w_i} \right\rangle_{D_i}$ $w_{i+1} \coloneqq w_i + v_{i+1}$ Gradient of Loss
- ~ 90 cycles → five to six days on two NVIDIA GTX 580 3GB GPUs

"The idea he (Alex Krizhevsky) had at the time was just to re-implement the

original Lenet architecture"





You are a populist software engineer when you try to fix a problem without trying to understand it

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