

## Linear layer input neurons number calculation after conv2d

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I will be really thankful to those who can explain me this. I know the formula for calculation but after some iterations, I haven't got to the answer yet.

The formula for output neuron:  
 $\text{Output} = ((I - K + 2P) / S + 1)$ , where  
 I - a size of input neuron,  
 K - kernel size,  
 P - padding,  
 S - stride.

Input tensor shape:

```
torch.Size([36, 200, 150, 3])
```

I have the following model:

```
class Flatten(torch.nn.Module):
    def forward(self, x):
        return x.view(x.size()[0], -1)

model = torch.nn.Sequential(
    torch.nn.Conv2d(32, 64, kernel_size=(3, 3)),
    torch.nn.ReLU(),
    torch.nn.Conv2d(64, 128, kernel_size=(3, 3)),
    torch.nn.ReLU(),
    torch.nn.MaxPool2d(kernel_size=(2, 2)),
    torch.nn.Dropout(0.25),
    Flatten(),
    torch.nn.Linear(128, 128),
    torch.nn.ReLU(),
    torch.nn.Linear(128, 2),
    torch.nn.Softmax()
)
```

I can't calculate the number of neurons in Linear layer.

Could you kindly help and explain me the calculations of Linear input neuron size behind this network?

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✅ Solved by ptrblck in post #2

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### 🔗 Input size of fc layer in tutorial?

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ptrblck 

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However, as your model expects 32 input channels, your input won't work at all currently.

Let's just assume we are using an input of [1, 32, 200, 150] and walk through the model and the shapes.

Since your nn.Conv2d layers don't use padding and a default stride of 1, your activation will lose one pixel in both spatial dimensions.

After the first conv layer your activation will be [1, 64, 198, 148], after the second [1, 128, 196, 146].

nnMaxPool2d(2) will halve the activation to [1, 128, 98, 73].

If you set the number of in\_features for the first linear layer to 128\*98\*73 your model will work for my input.

I also recommend to just print out the shape of your activation before the linear layer, if the shape calculation is too cumbersome, and set the input features according to this.

For your Sequential model you can just create a print layer with:

```
class Print(nn.Module):  
    def forward(self, x):  
        print(x.size())  
        return x
```

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Thank you very much ptrblck. It was really helpful.

It seems that I manage to make a function out of it for those who struggle with the issue.

```
def count_input_neuron(model, image_dim):  
    return model(torch.rand(1, *(image_dim))).data.view(1, -1).size(1)
```

ptrblck:

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So, I have to change it to 3? The number of features or number of color channels?

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**ptrblck** **Nov '18**

The `in_channels` of the first conv layer correspond to the channels of your input.  
In case you are using a color image tensor, i.e. 3 channels, you would have to set `in_channels=3`.

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**Captain\_90\_s** **Captain 90's****Feb 3**

First of all there is a problem with your input shape. The shape should be `BATCH_SIZE * CHANNEL * HEIGHT * WIDTH`. So lets correct your size and I assume you `BATCH_SIZE = 36`, `CHANNEL = 3`, `HEIGHT = 200`, `WIDTH = 150`.

```
images = image.permute(0,3,1,2)
```

Next lets change your first Conv2d code. IT should be

```
torch.nn.Conv2d(3, 64, kernel_size=(3, 3))
```

So after the first convolution using your formular, we will have

```
[3, 64, 198, 148]
```

After the second Conv2d operation, we will have

```
[3, 128, 196, 146].
```

The maxpooling which halves the activations we will have

```
[3, 128, 98, 73]
```

And finally the input of the fully connected layer will be  $128 \times 98 \times 73 = 915712$

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**Rui\_Li****5d**

Hi, I have some questions here:

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Since we assume `batch_size=36`, maybe it should be that after the first convolution layer, we will have

[36, 64, 198, 148].

And after the second convolution layer, we will have

[36, 128, 196, 146].