Load and preprocess the MNIST dataset

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In [1]: import numpy as np
        from keras.datasets import mnist
        from keras.utils import np utils
        # Load the MNIST dataset
        (X train, y train), (X test, y test) = mnist.load data()
        # Flatten the input images from 28x28 pixels to 784-dimensional vectors and normalize
        def preprocess data(X):
           X = X.reshape(X.shape[0], 784).astype('float32') / 255
            return X
       X train = preprocess data(X train)
       X test = preprocess data(X test)
        # Convert the target labels to categorical one-hot encoding
       def one hot encode labels(y):
            return np utils.to categorical(y, 10)
       y train = one hot encode labels(y train)
       y test = one hot encode labels(y test)
       Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-datasets/mnist.
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Build the neural network model

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In [2]: from keras.models import Sequential
        from keras.layers import Dense, Dropout
        def create mnist model():
           model = Sequential()
           model.add(Dense(512, input shape=(784,), activation='relu'))
           model.add(Dropout(0.2))
           model.add(Dense(512, activation='relu'))
           model.add(Dropout(0.2))
           model.add(Dense(10, activation='softmax'))
           return model
        def compile model(model):
           model.compile(loss='categorical crossentropy', optimizer='adam', metrics=['accuracy'
        # Create the model
        model = create mnist model()
        # Compile the model
        compile model (model)
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Train the model

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Epoch 2/10
83 - val loss: 0.0787 - val accuracy: 0.9756
Epoch 3/10
70 - val loss: 0.0827 - val accuracy: 0.9727
Epoch 4/10
24 - val loss: 0.0691 - val accuracy: 0.9775
Epoch 5/10
50 - val loss: 0.0744 - val accuracy: 0.9779
Epoch 6/10
70 - val loss: 0.0710 - val accuracy: 0.9803
Epoch 7/10
93 - val loss: 0.0793 - val accuracy: 0.9758
Epoch 8/10
01 - val loss: 0.0654 - val accuracy: 0.9823
Epoch 9/10
08 - val loss: 0.0717 - val accuracy: 0.9804
Epoch 10/10
12 - val loss: 0.0677 - val accuracy: 0.9832
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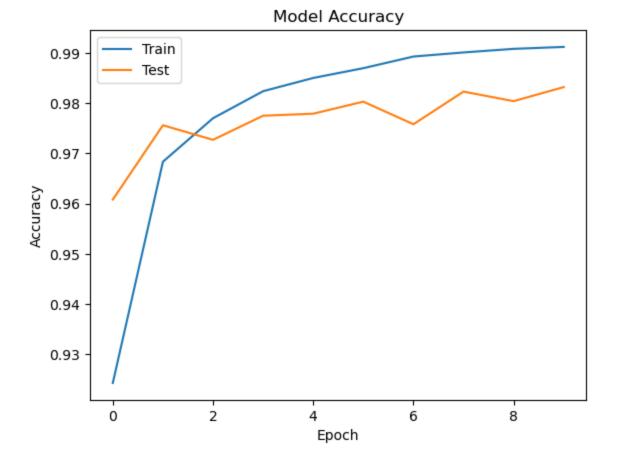
Evaluate the model

Plot the training history

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In [5]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def plot_accuracy(history):
    plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'])
    plt.plot(history.history['val_accuracy'])
    plt.title('Model Accuracy')
    plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
    plt.xlabel('Epoch')
    plt.legend(['Train', 'Test'], loc='upper left')
    plt.show()

# Plot the training and validation accuracy
plot_accuracy(history)
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Make predictions

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In [6]: def predict_single_image(model, image):
    # Expand the dimensions of the image to match the model's input shape
    image = np.expand_dims(image, axis=0)

# Use the model to make predictions
    prediction = model.predict(image)

# Get the predicted class
    predicted_class = np.argmax(prediction)

return predicted_class

# Predict on a single image
digit = X_test[0]
predicted_digit = predict_single_image(model, digit)
print("Predicted_digit:", predicted_digit)
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1/1 [=======] - 0s 205ms/step Predicted digit: 7