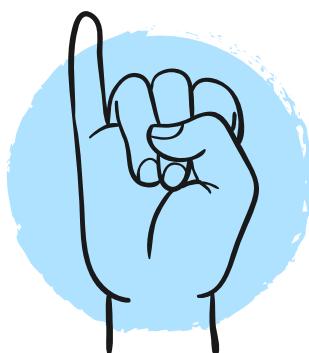


# SIGN LANGUAGE RECOGNITION

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# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

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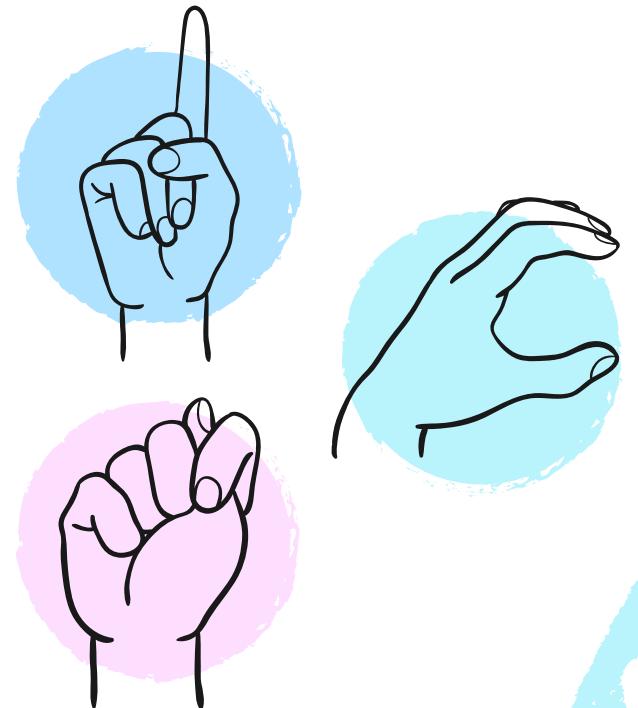
MODEL EVALUATION

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FUTURE IDEAS

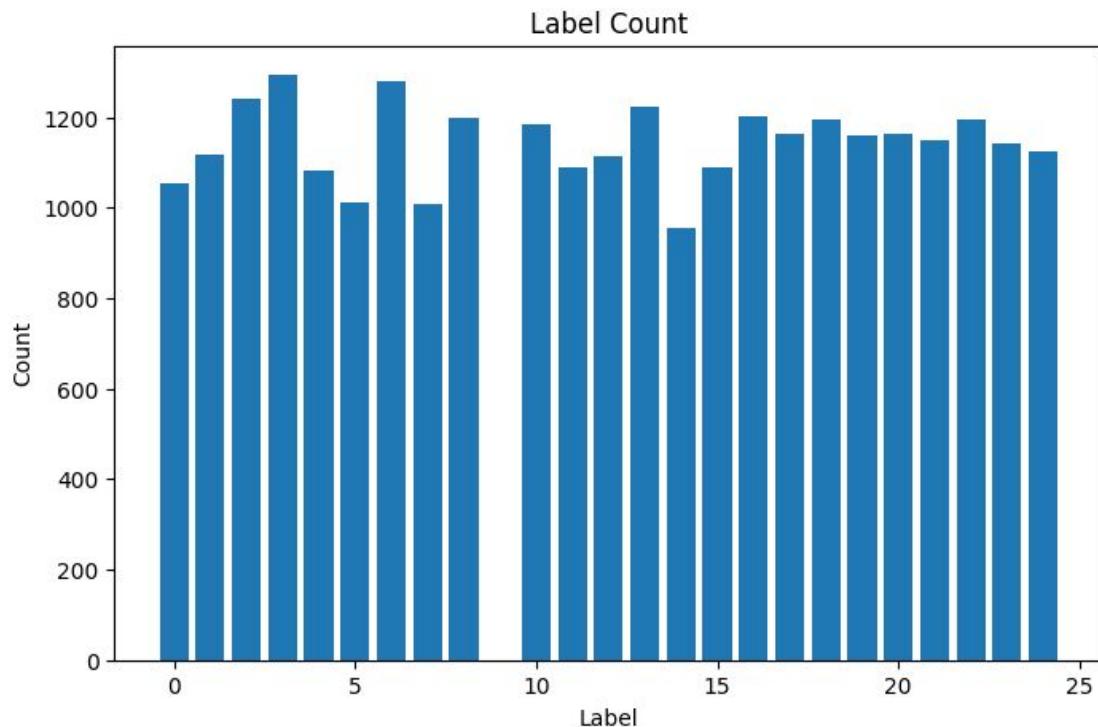
# DATASET BACKGROUND

- How was the dataset presented?
  - Training (~28k) & Testing (~7k)
  - Pixels 1 to 784 correspond to 28x28
  - Grayscale = 0-255
- How was the dataset created?
  - Original Pictures (1704)
  - Image pipeline (ImageMagick)



[Dataset Source](#)

# DATA VISUALIZATION



Note: Missing J and Z

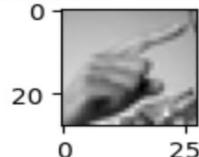
# DATA VISUALIZATION

Preview of dataset

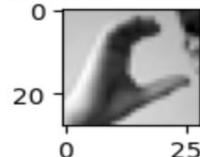
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label: 6 letter: G



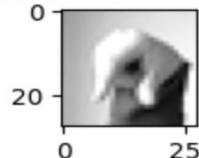
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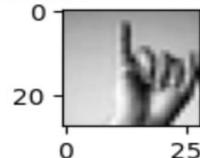
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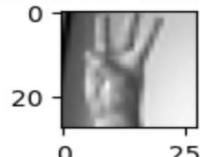
label: 16 letter: Q



label: 8 letter: I



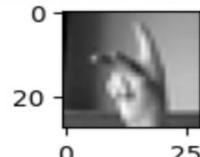
label: 22 letter: W



label: 18 letter: S



label: 10 letter: K



# GOALS

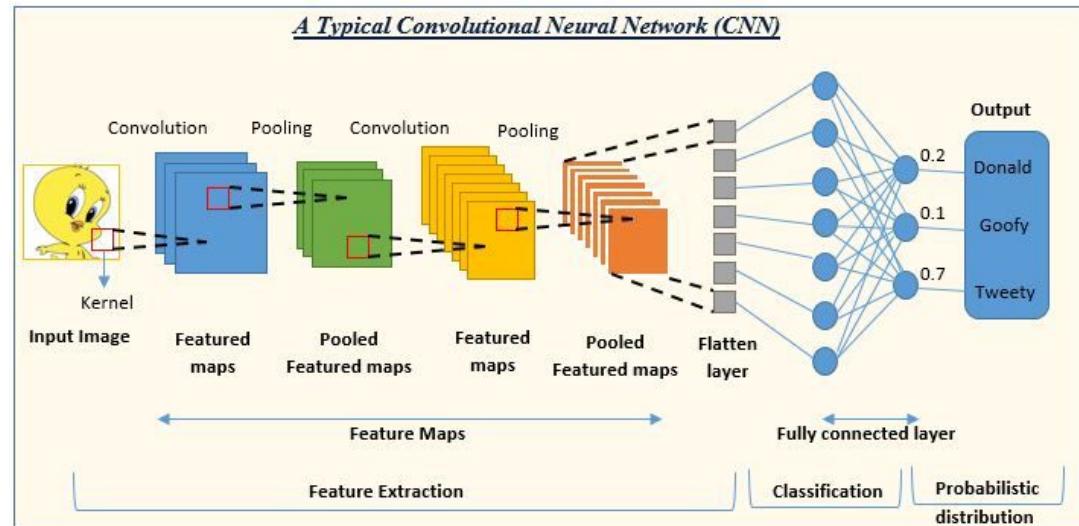
1. Build models that classify images of sign language letters to their letter labels based off of pixel grayscale values.
2. Find a model that has the best performance on unseen testing data.

# DATASET PREPROCESSING

- Label Binarizer
- Normalizing & Reshaping the Data
- Image Data Generator & Data Augmentation
- Split train and test into x and y

# WHAT ARE CNNS?

- Deep learning for image processing
- Main components:
  - Convolution layers
  - ReLu Function
  - Pooling
  - Classification
- Modern uses
  - Facial recognition
  - Autonomous vehicles





# MODEL 1

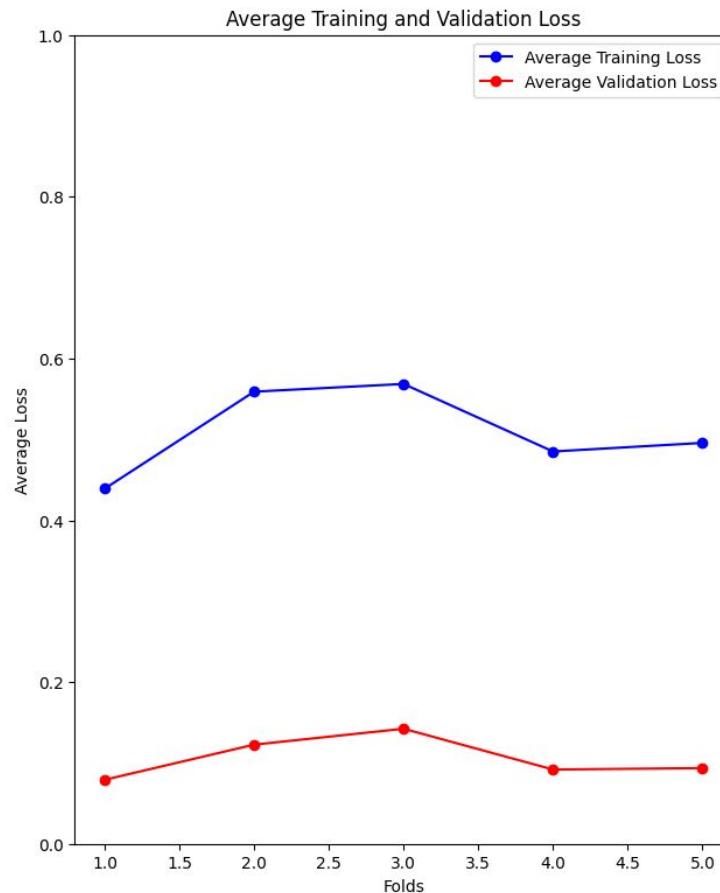
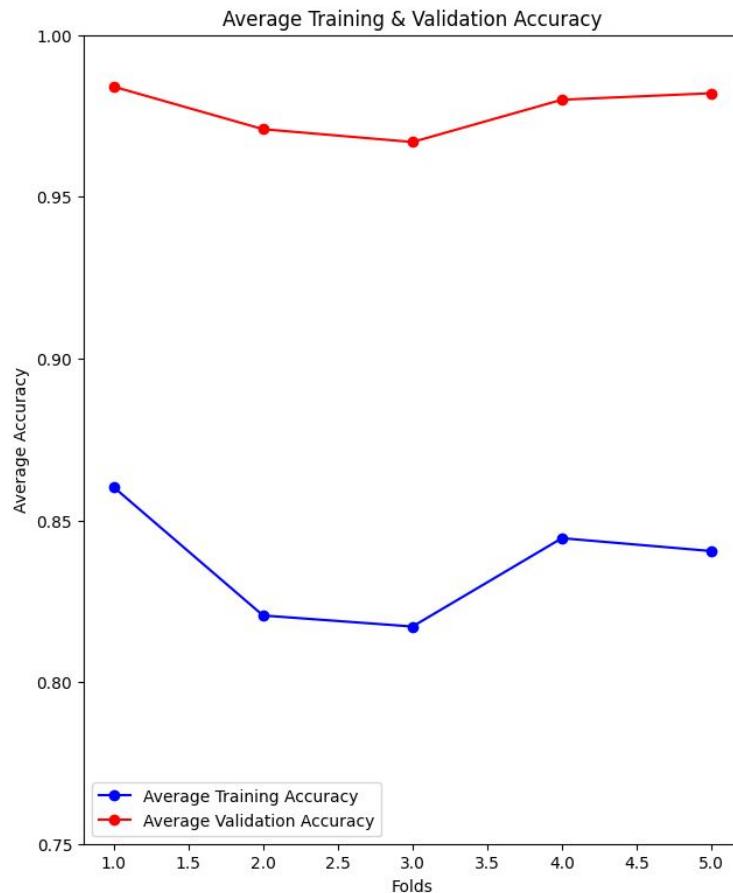
CNN (Tensorflow) + K-Fold Cross  
Validation

# MODEL 1: CNN + K-FOLD CROSS VALIDATION

- Split training data into K subsets, using one subset as validation data for each fold
- New CNN model initialized per fold
- Compute mean validation accuracy of the folds
- Extract the best-performing model, using it to make predictions on testing set
- Evaluate model performance

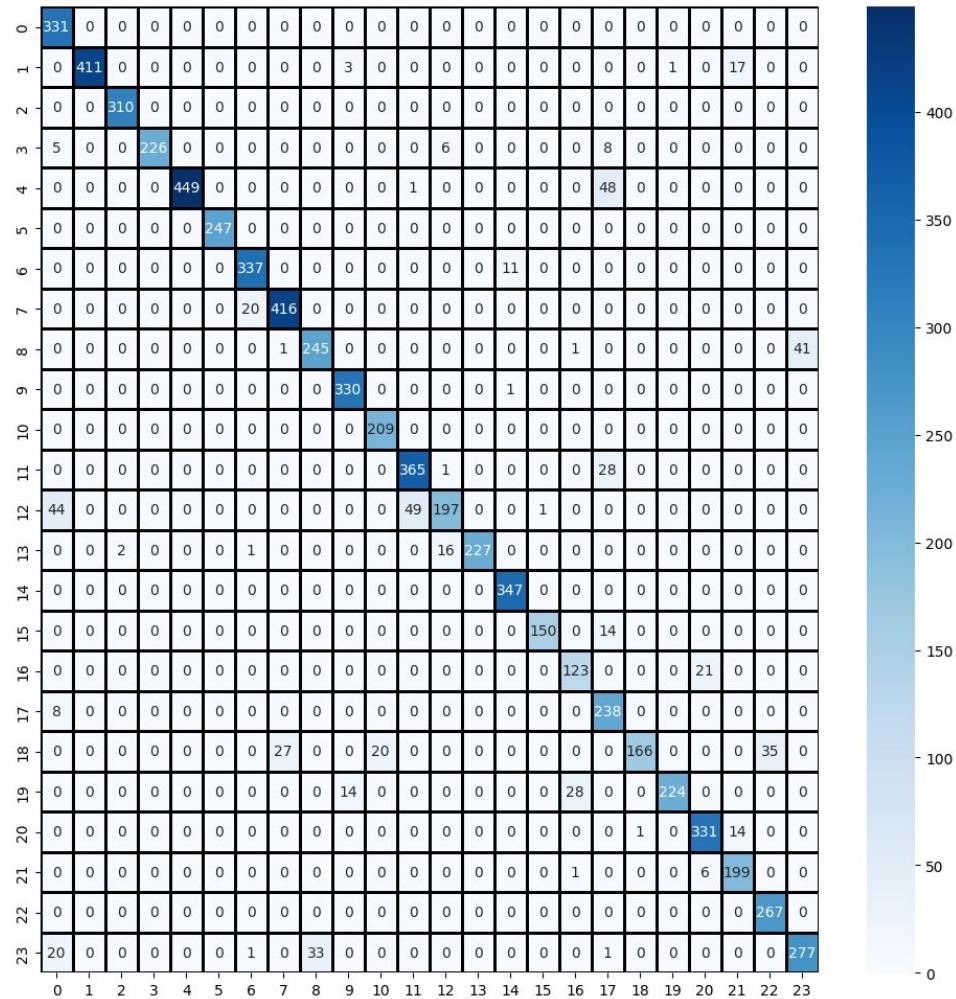


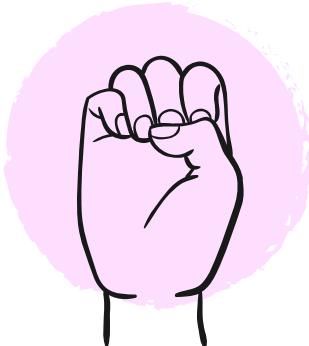
## 5 folds with 5 epochs per fold



Mean Validation Accuracy: 99.93%

# Test Accuracy: 92.21%





# MODEL 2

CNN - PyTorch

# MODEL 2: CNN WITH PYTORCH

- Preprocessed the data into multiple batches of 512 images to train the model
- Every batch is used per one epoch to try to minimize the loss
- Keep track of the accuracies and losses during both training and testing to check for improvement
- Evaluate model performance with a confusion matrix and plots for the accuracy and loss

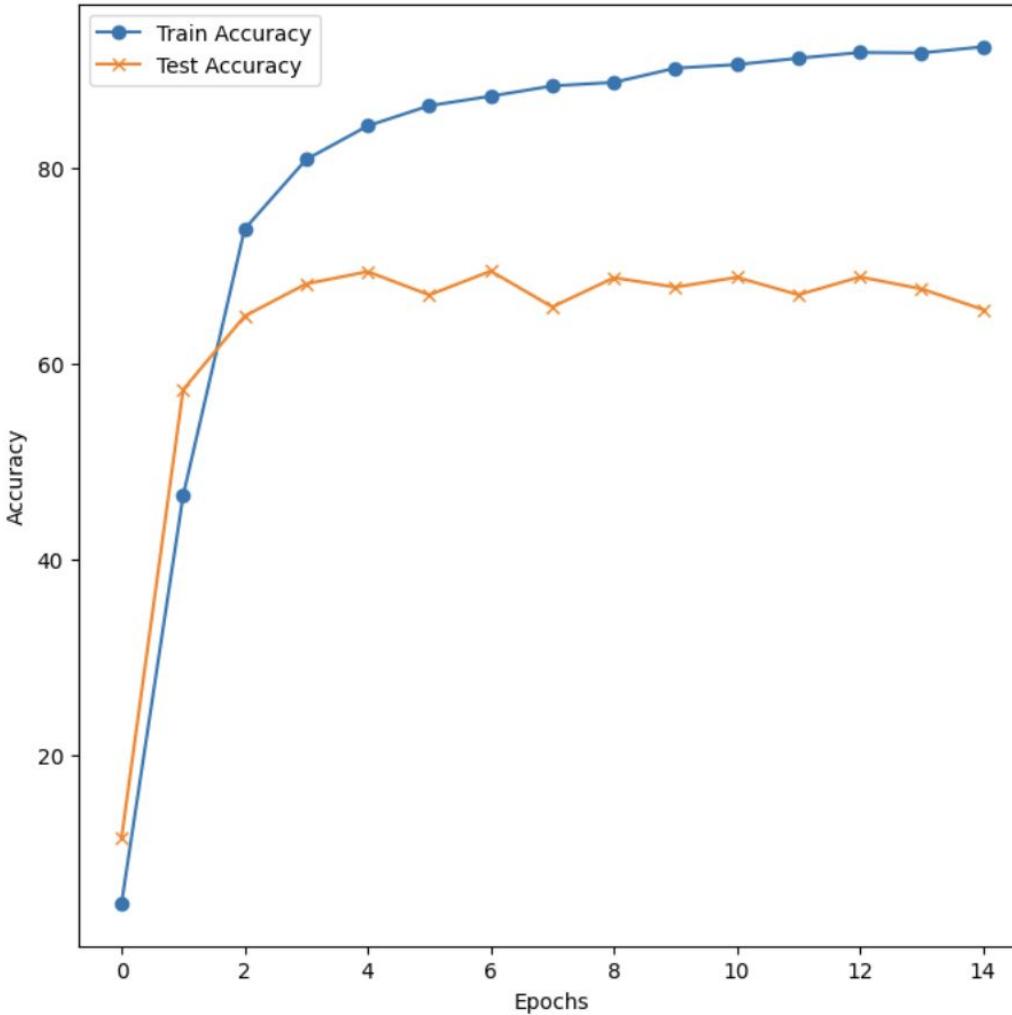


Confusion Matrix

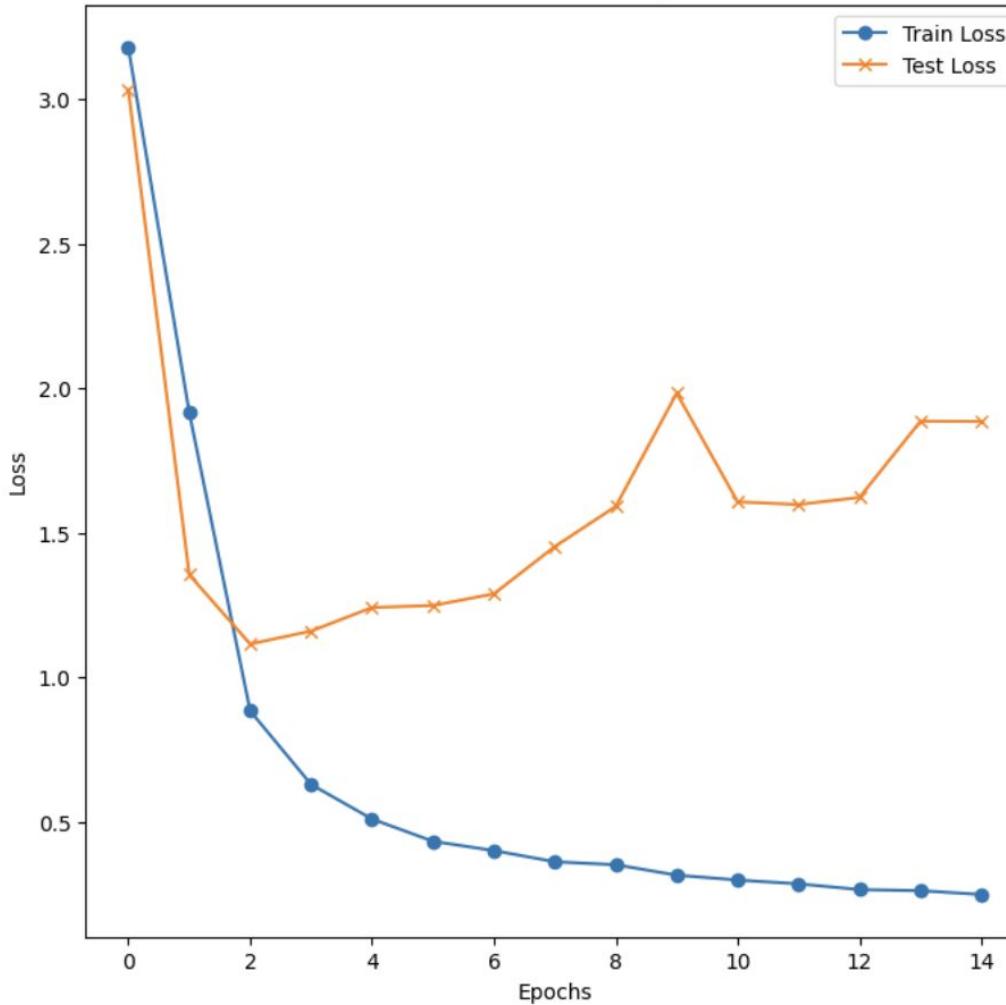
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Predicted	A	331	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A	0	387	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	25	0	0	0	0
B	0	0	286	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
C	0	10	0	207	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0
D	0	0	0	0	493	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E	0	0	0	0	0	0	223	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	21	0	
F	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	254	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	32	0	0	54	0	0	0	1	0
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K	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	167	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	
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P	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	7	133	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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### Train and Test Accuracy Comparison



### Train and test Loss Comparison



# MODEL COMPARISON

- Accuracy
  - Model 1: high (~90%), discrepancy between training and validation may suggest overfitting
  - Model 2: steep learning curve, accuracy still lower than Model 1 (~70%)
- Loss
  - Model 1: low and consistent
  - Model 2: sharply decreases, but loss still higher than Model 1
- Conclusion:
  - Although Model 2 was able to learn quickly, Model 1 was the better model in terms of accuracy and loss
  - Looking forward: How to improve Model 2

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