Recognizing speech

Portfolio assignment 1

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In this assignment, you will implement and compare two neural networks to classify spoken digits from "zero" to "nine" using the Google Speech Commands Dataset. You will build both a **fully connected neural network** and a **convolutional neural network** and tune hyperparameters to maximize accuracy and minimize overfitting.

The input data is in the form of log-spectrograms (2D plots of the logarithm of the audio intensity as a function of time and sound frequency). The log-spectrogram to the right is an instance of the spoken digit "zero".

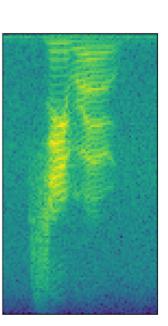
The dataset – x_digits.npy and y_digits.npy – is preprocessed for you and can be loaded using

and similar for y.1

You are to hand in a notebook with

- output (all cells must be run)
- · relevant comments describing your approach, experiments, and findings
- both neural networks
- the accuracy of train, validation and test sets for both neural networks
- at least two interesting figures or animations

from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')



¹ To access the files from Colab, the easiest way is uploading it to Google Drive and then using