Transfer Learning

Leveraging pretrained models and adapting them to your problem

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Learning Goals

Understand the motivation behind transfer learning approaches

Understand the general transfer learning procedure



Transfer Learning

 Transfer learning is the process of adapting a representation learned while solving one problem and adapting this representation to a different but related problem.

 It is very useful when you do not have large amounts of data to train your model from scratch.

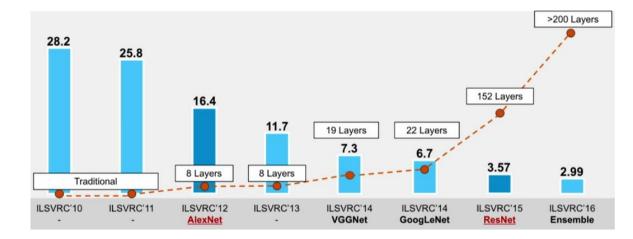
 This Keras tutorial is highly recommended: https://keras.io/guides/transfer learning/



ImageNet Challenge



- ImageNet is a large scale object classification challenge
- >14,000,000 annotated images
- >20,000 classes



In 2012 teams started using graphics processing units (GPUs)



Transfer Learning Intuition



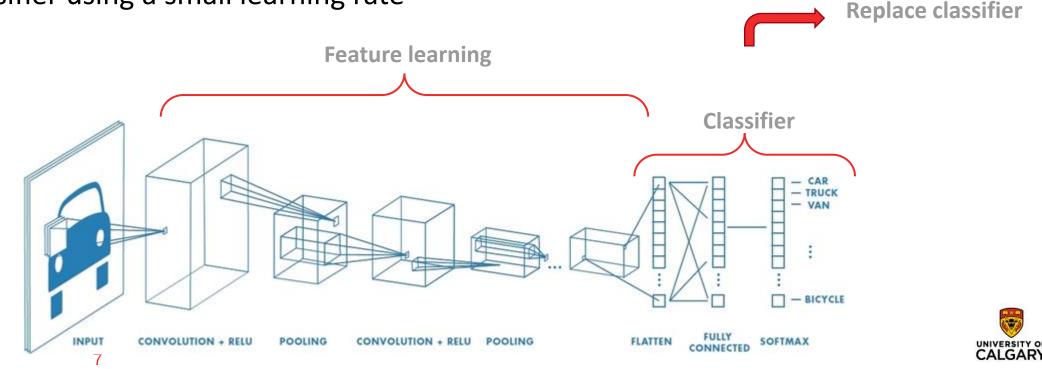
Lasagna or endocarditis?



Transfer Learning

- Use a model pre-trained for a different task and:
 - Freeze the feature learning layers and re-train the classifier on new data

 Then, unfreeze the feature learning layers and retrain them along with the classifier using a small learning rate



Summary

 Transfer learning is a powerful technique for situations where your dataset has too little data to train a full-scale model from scratch

• It relies on the assumption that the representation that you learned for one problem will be useful for a separate but related problem



Thank you!

