For each of the following questions, circle the letter of your choice. Each question has AT LEAST one correct option unless explicitly mentioned. No explanation is required.

- (a) (2 points) Your model for classifying different dog species is getting a high training set error. Which of the followings are promising things to try to improve your classifier?
  - (i) Use a bigger neural network
  - (ii) Get more training data
  - (iii) Increase the regularization parameter lambda
  - (iv) Increase the parameter keep\_prob in dropout layer (assume the classifier has dropout layers)
- (b) (2 points) Which of the followings are true about Batch Normalization?
  - (i) Batch Norm layers are skipped at test time because a single test example cannot be normalized.
  - (ii) Its learnable parameters can only be learned using gradient descent or mini-batch gradient descent, but not other optimization algorithms.
  - (iii) It helps speed up learning in the network.
- (c) (2 points) If your input image is 64x64x16, how many parameters are there in a single 1x1 convolution filter, including bias?
  - (i) 2
  - (ii) 17
  - (iii) 4097
  - (iv) 1

- (2 points) The shape of your input image is  $(n_h, n_w, n_c)$ ; the convolution layer uses a 1-by-1 filter with stride = 1 and padding = 0. Which of the following statements are correct?
  - (i) You can reduce  $n_c$  by using 1x1 convolution. However, you cannot change  $n_h, n_w$ .
- (ii) You can use a standard maxpooling to reduce  $n_h, n_w$ , but not  $n_c$ .
- (iii) You can use a 1x1 convolution to reduce  $n_h, n_w, n_c$ .
- (iv) You can use maxpooling to reduce  $n_h, n_w, n_c$ .
- (2 points) What is the benefit of using Momentum optimization?
  - (i) Simple update rule with minimal hyperparameters
- (ii) Helps get weights out of local minima
- (iii) Effectively scales the learning rate to act the same amount across all dimensions
- (iv) Combines the benefits of multiple optimization methods
- (2 points) Which of the below can you implement to solve the exploding gradient problem?
  - (i) Use SGD optimization
  - (ii) Oversample minority classes
- (iii) Increase the batch size
- (iv) Impose gradient clipping

## Short answer

(2 points) A convolutional neural network has 4 consecutive layers as follows:

3x3 conv (stride 2) - 2x2 Pool - 3x3 conv (stride 2) - 2x2 Pool

How large is the support (the set of image pixels which activate) of a neuron in the  $4^{th}$  non-image layer of this network?

(2 points) Is it always a good strategy to train with large batch size? Why or why not?

(2 points) Let  $\mathbf{p}$  be the **probability of keeping** neurons in a dropout layer. We have seen that in forward passes, we often scale activations by dividing them by p during training time.

You accidentally train a model with dropout layers without dividing the activations by p. How would you resolve this issue at test time? Please justify your answer mathematically.