

An aerial photograph of a massive cargo ship sailing on dark blue ocean water. The ship is packed with thousands of shipping containers stacked in long rows. The containers are primarily red, white, and blue, though some yellow and other colors are visible. The ship's wake is clearly visible behind it, creating white foam against the deep blue sea.

# *Identifying ships in satellite*

# *imagery*

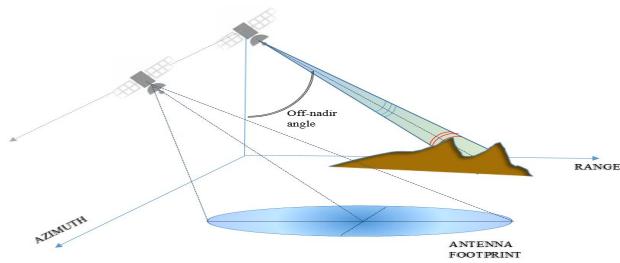
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# Task:

*Build an algorithm to automatically identify whether a remotely sensed is a ship or not*





## *Images production*

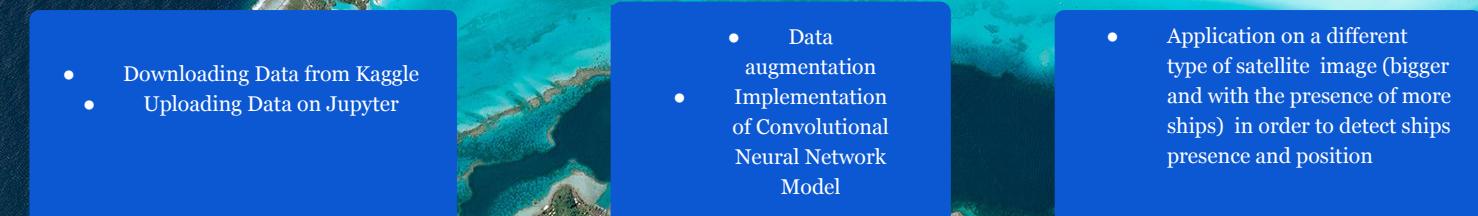
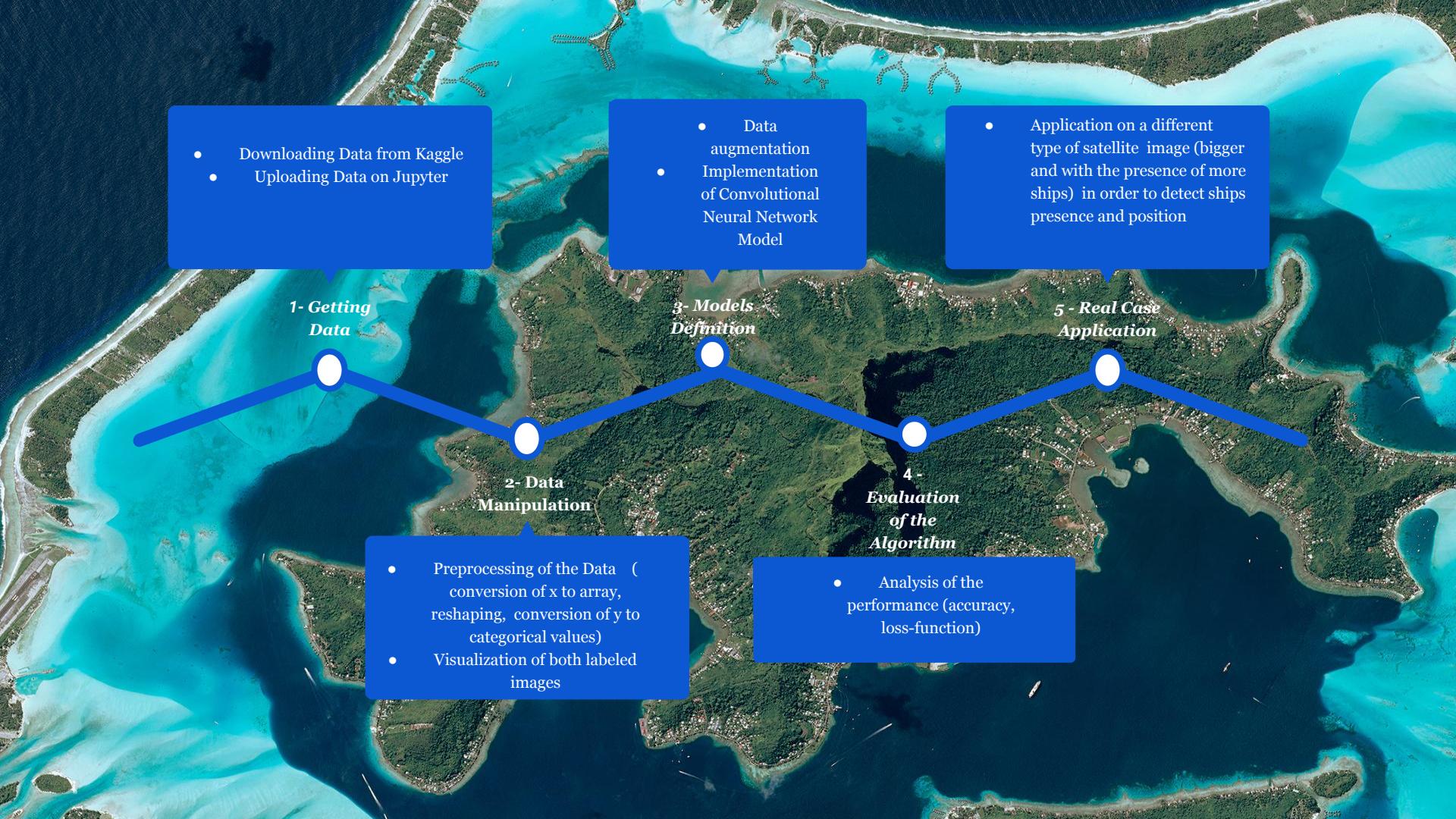
Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) imagery uses radio waves to image the Earth's surface. Unlike optical imagery, the wavelengths which the instruments use are not affected by the time of day or meteorological conditions, enabling imagery to be obtained day or night, with cloudy, or clear skies.

## *Images exploitation*

Object detection in satellite image analysis is a fundamental problem which plays a significant role for different types of applications, such as detection of geological hazard, urban planning, Land use and cover mapping, environmental monitoring, updation of geographic information system and agriculture.

## *Deep Learning utilization*

After the huge success of Deep learning methods in computer vision field they are currently being studied in the context of satellite imagery for different purposes like object identification, object tracking, object classification, semantic segmentation of aerial/satellite images.





### *The source*

Dataset taken from Kaggle challenge: Ships on Satellite Imagery (source: Planet). The dataset includes 4000 80x80 RGB images labeled with either a "ship" or "no-ship" classification

### *The "ship" class*

The "ship" class includes 1000 images. Ships of different sizes, orientations, and atmospheric collection conditions are included

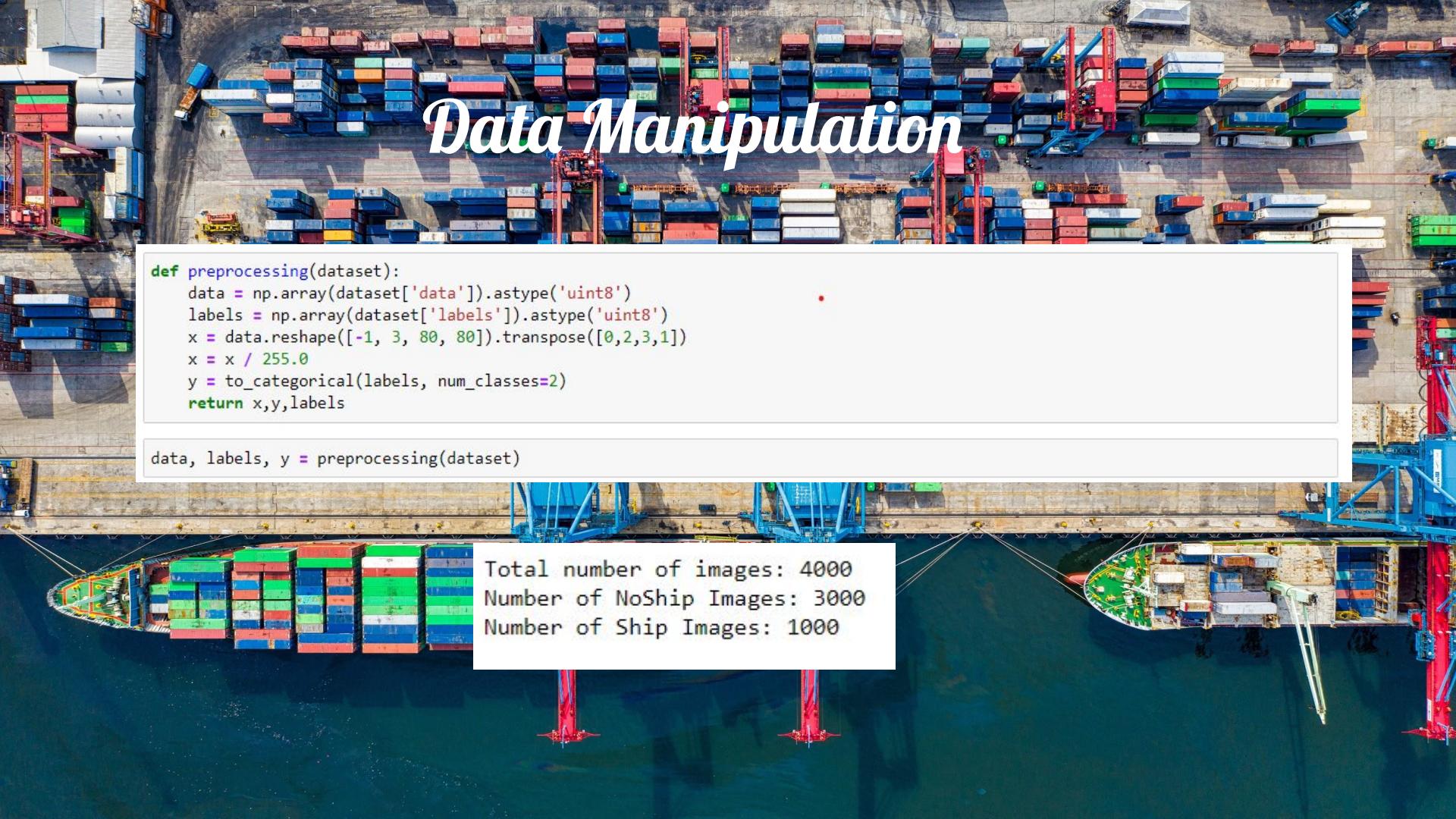
# Data

### *The pixel value*

The pixel value data for each 80x80 RGB image is stored as a list of 19200 integers within the data list. The first 6400 entries contain the red channel values, the next 6400 the green, and the final 6400 the blue

### *The "non-ship" class*

The "no-ship" class includes 3000 images. Some of these do not include any portion of a ship, some are contain only a portion of a ship and the last third are images that have previously been mislabeled by machine learning models



# Data Manipulation

```
def preprocessing(dataset):
    data = np.array(dataset['data']).astype('uint8')
    labels = np.array(dataset['labels']).astype('uint8')
    x = data.reshape([-1, 3, 80, 80]).transpose([0,2,3,1])
    x = x / 255.0
    y = to_categorical(labels, num_classes=2)
    return x,y,labels

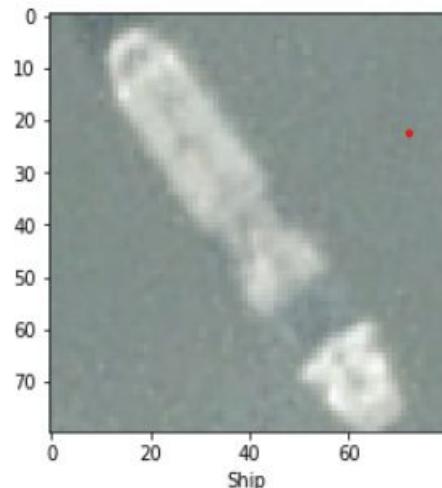
data, labels, y = preprocessing(dataset)
```

Total number of images: 4000  
Number of NoShip Images: 3000  
Number of Ship Images: 1000

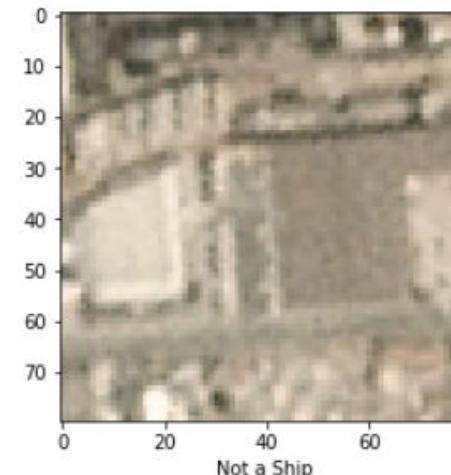
# Data Visualization

```
def show_imimage(position):
    index = random.choice(position) #Select a random element from the list
    pixel_vals = data[index]
    im = pixel_vals.reshape((80,80,3))
    plt.imshow(im)
    plt.xlabel(classes[y[index]])
```

show\_imimage(ship)



show\_imimage(no\_ship)

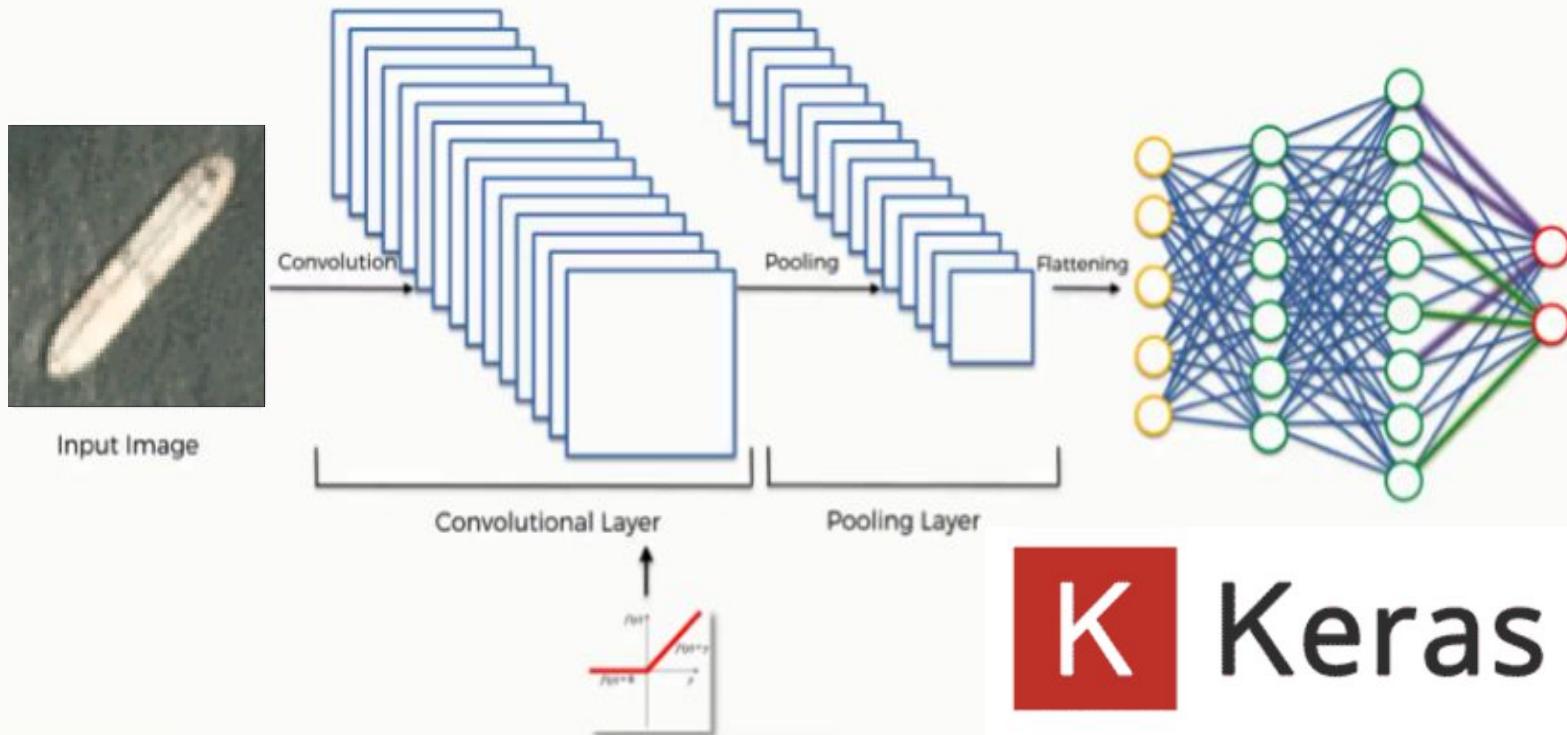


# Data Augmentation

```
aug = ImageDataGenerator(shear_range=0.1,  
                        width_shift_range=0.15,  
                        height_shift_range=0.05,  
                        zoom_range=0.3,  
                        horizontal_flip=True,  
                        vertical_flip=True,  
                        fill_mode="nearest")
```



# *Convolutional Neural Network*



# Model Definition

```
model = Sequential()

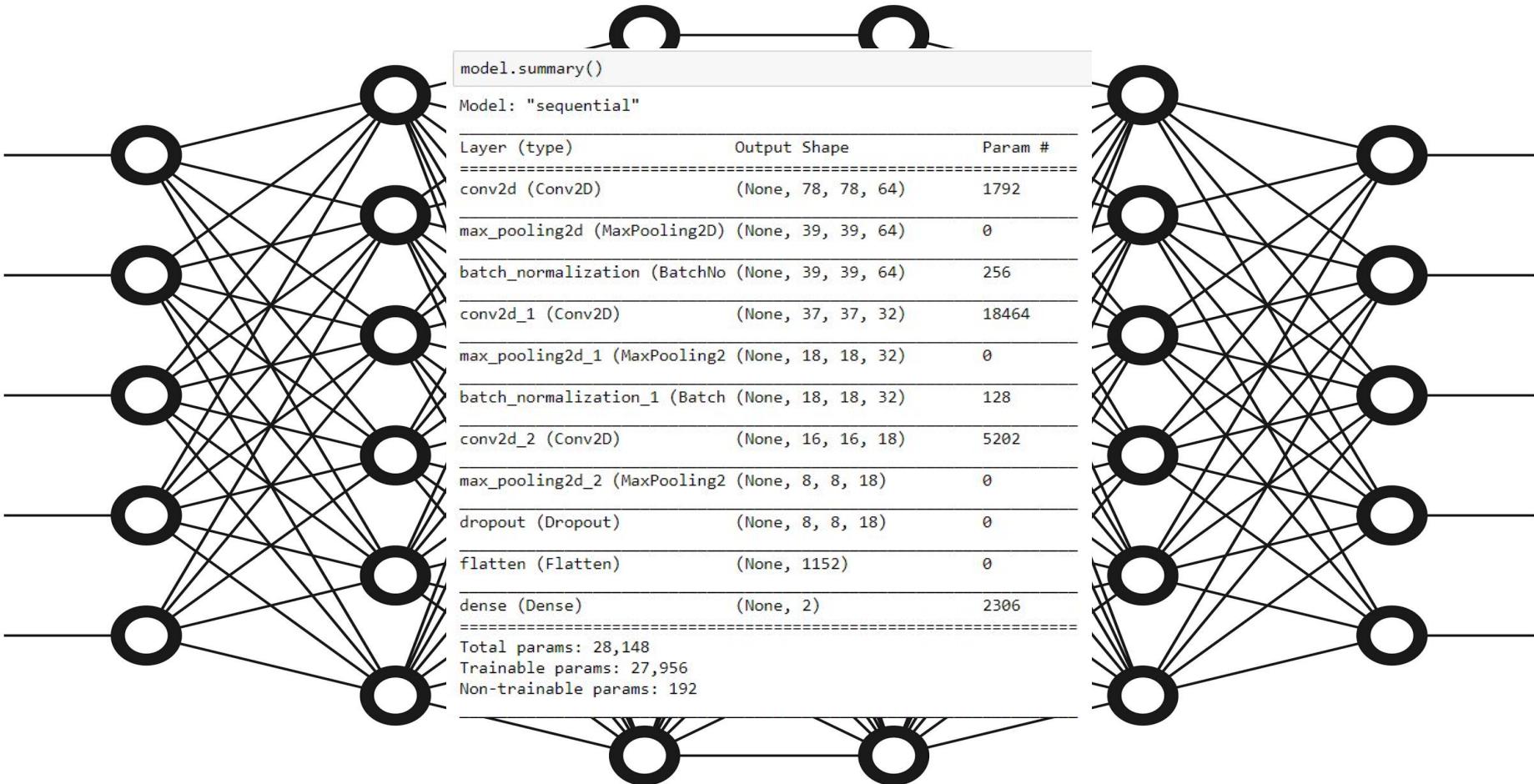
model.add(Conv2D(64, kernel_size=3, activation='relu', input_shape=(80,80,3)))
model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(2, 2), strides=(2, 2)))
model.add(BatchNormalization())

model.add(Conv2D(32, kernel_size=3, activation='relu'))
model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(2, 2)))
model.add(BatchNormalization())

model.add(Conv2D(18, kernel_size=3, activation='relu'))
model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(2, 2)))
model.add(Dropout(0.2))

model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))

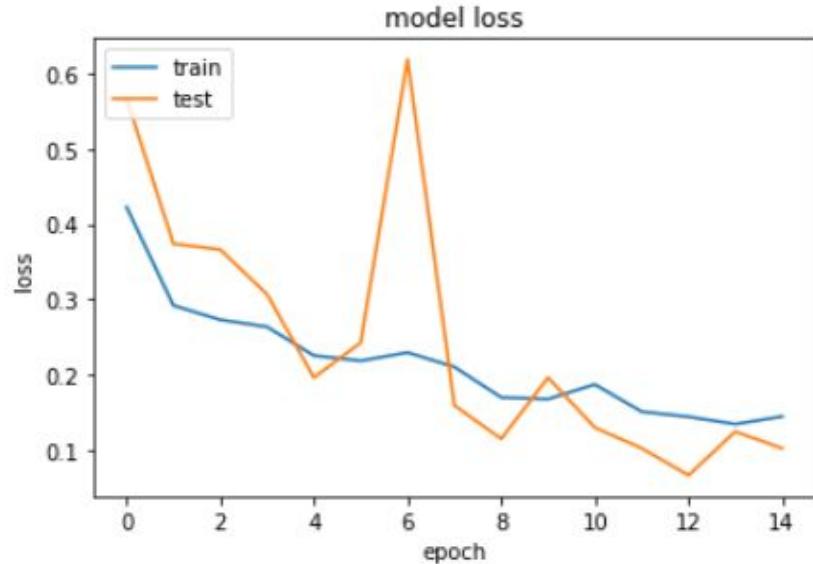
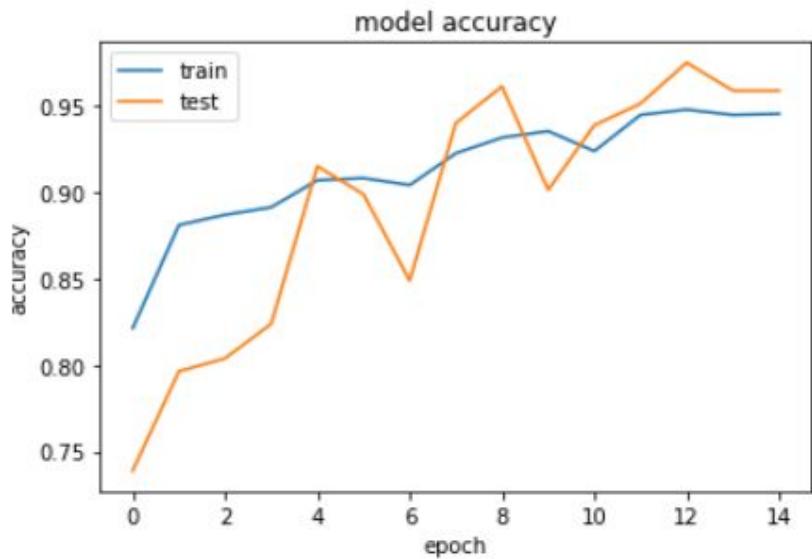
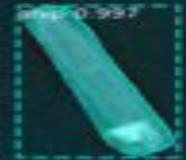
model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
```



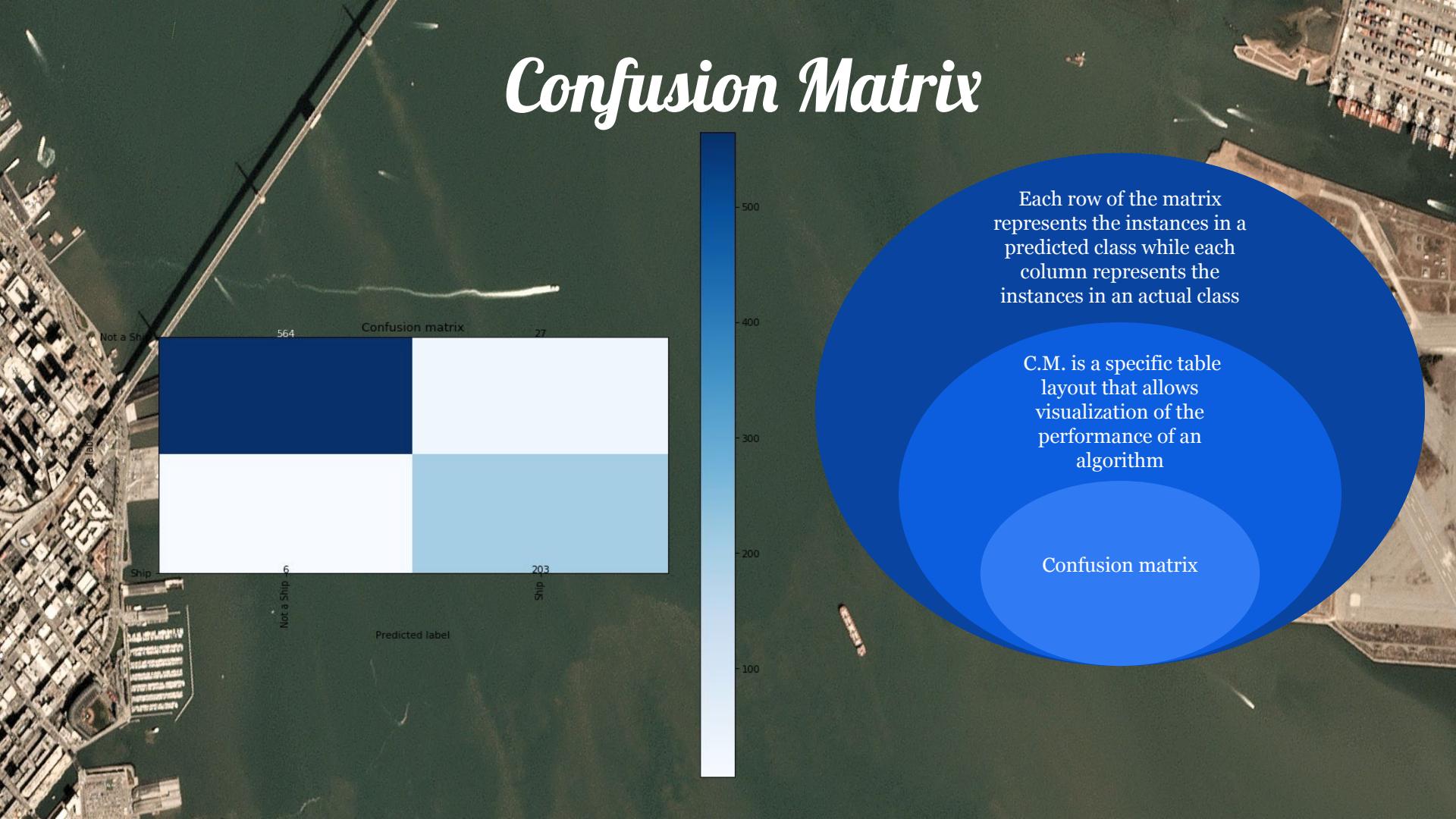
```
batch_size = 32
epochs_ = 15
history = model.fit_generator(aug.flow(X_train, y_train, batch_size = batch_size),
                               validation_data = (X_test, y_test),
                               steps_per_epoch = len(X_train) // batch_size,
                               epochs = epochs_, verbose=2)

Epoch 1/15
100/100 - 64s - loss: 0.4224 - accuracy: 0.8213 - val_loss: 0.5659 - val_accuracy: 0.7387
Epoch 2/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.2921 - accuracy: 0.8809 - val_loss: 0.3739 - val_accuracy: 0.7962
Epoch 3/15
100/100 - 63s - loss: 0.2732 - accuracy: 0.8869 - val_loss: 0.3662 - val_accuracy: 0.8037
Epoch 4/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.2639 - accuracy: 0.8913 - val_loss: 0.3069 - val_accuracy: 0.8238
Epoch 5/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.2258 - accuracy: 0.9069 - val_loss: 0.1967 - val_accuracy: 0.9150
Epoch 6/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.2189 - accuracy: 0.9081 - val_loss: 0.2429 - val_accuracy: 0.8988
Epoch 7/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.2299 - accuracy: 0.9041 - val_loss: 0.6182 - val_accuracy: 0.8487
Epoch 8/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.2108 - accuracy: 0.9225 - val_loss: 0.1599 - val_accuracy: 0.9400
Epoch 9/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.1704 - accuracy: 0.9316 - val_loss: 0.1156 - val_accuracy: 0.9613
Epoch 10/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.1682 - accuracy: 0.9353 - val_loss: 0.1967 - val_accuracy: 0.9013
Epoch 11/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.1876 - accuracy: 0.9237 - val_loss: 0.1305 - val_accuracy: 0.9388
Epoch 12/15
100/100 - 60s - loss: 0.1515 - accuracy: 0.9447 - val_loss: 0.1031 - val_accuracy: 0.9513
Epoch 13/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.1449 - accuracy: 0.9478 - val_loss: 0.0673 - val_accuracy: 0.9750
Epoch 14/15
100/100 - 62s - loss: 0.1350 - accuracy: 0.9447 - val_loss: 0.1252 - val_accuracy: 0.9588
Epoch 15/15
100/100 - 61s - loss: 0.1452 - accuracy: 0.9453 - val_loss: 0.1030 - val_accuracy: 0.9588
```

# *Evaluation of the Model*



# *Confusion Matrix*



Each row of the matrix represents the instances in a predicted class while each column represents the instances in an actual class

C.M. is a specific table layout that allows visualization of the performance of an algorithm

Confusion matrix

# *Real Case Application*

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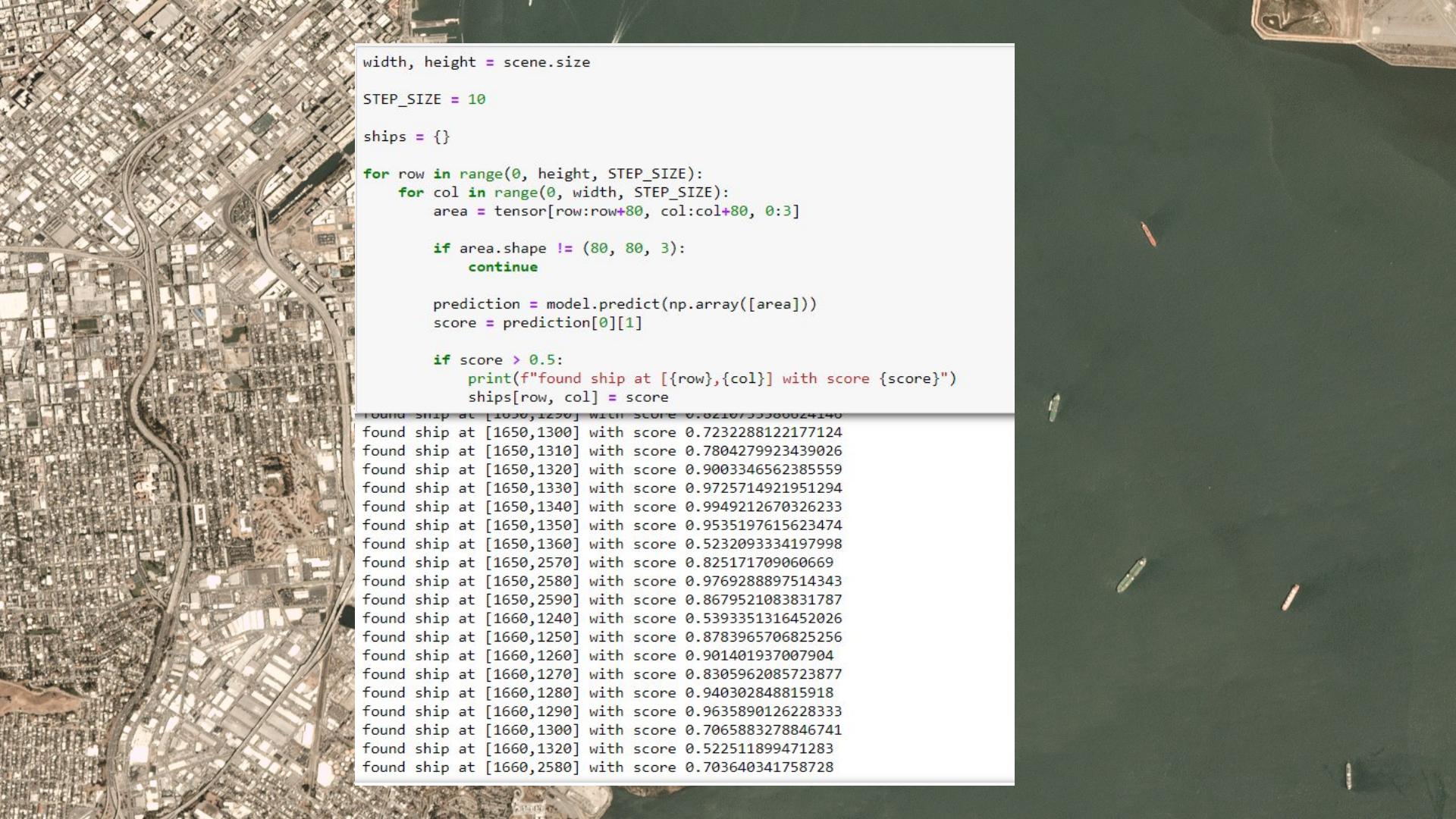
Next step is to investigate a different image in order to detect the ships presence. The new image is bigger than the previous ones and represents San Francisco bay viewed from a satellite.

2

The algorithm's going to check a small window of pixel to detect the ships presence applying the previous convolutional neural network model.

3

Therefore it's going to move on the right and check window by window until cover the whole image. The last step is to show the whole image of San Francisco bay where the retrieval ships are highlighted by a rectangle.



```
width, height = scene.size

STEP_SIZE = 10

ships = {}

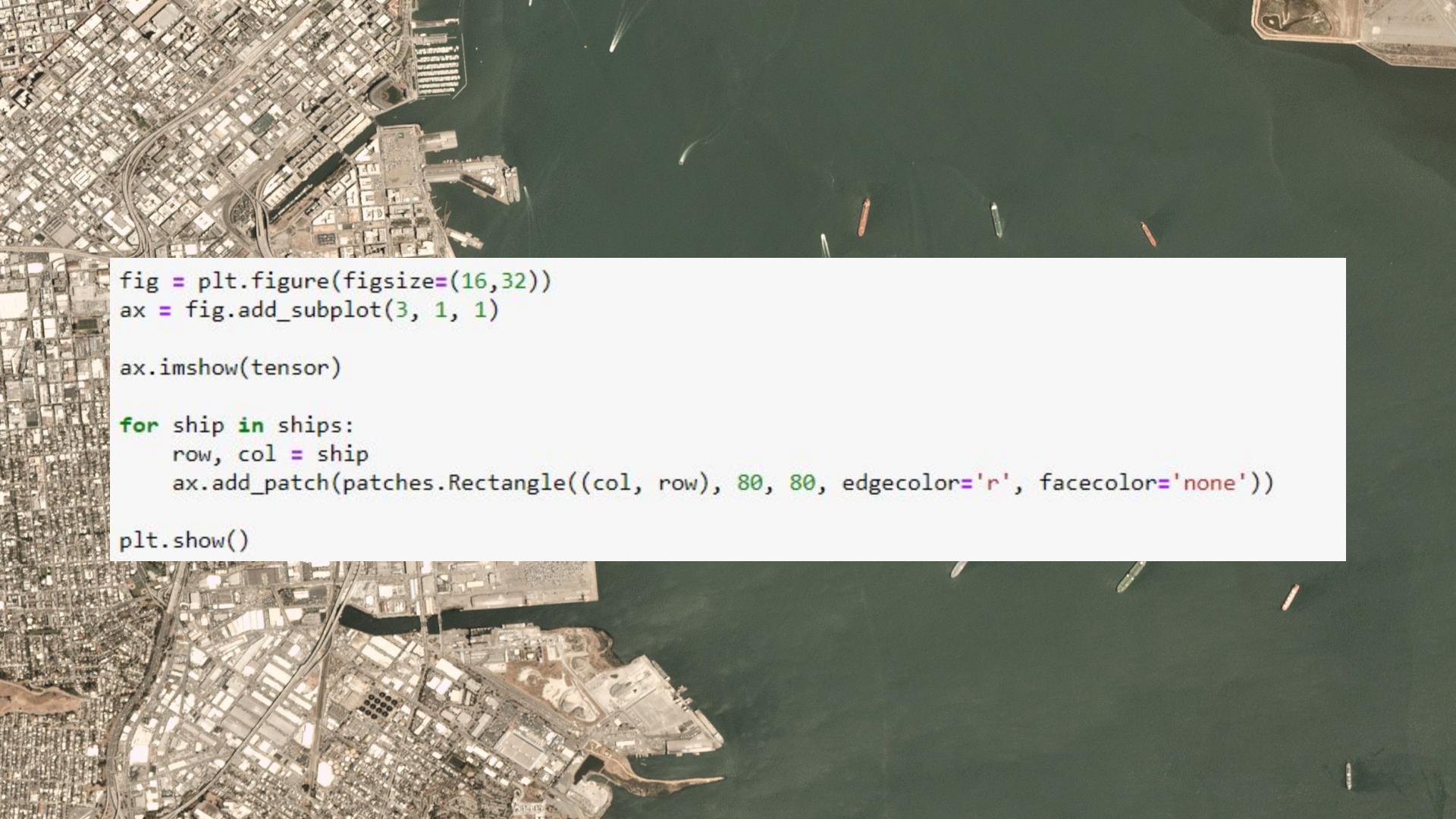
for row in range(0, height, STEP_SIZE):
    for col in range(0, width, STEP_SIZE):
        area = tensor[row:row+80, col:col+80, 0:3]

        if area.shape != (80, 80, 3):
            continue

        prediction = model.predict(np.array([area]))
        score = prediction[0][1]

        if score > 0.5:
            print(f"found ship at [{row},{col}] with score {score}")
            ships[row, col] = score

found ship at [1030,1230] with score 0.821075580024140
found ship at [1650,1300] with score 0.7232288122177124
found ship at [1650,1310] with score 0.7804279923439026
found ship at [1650,1320] with score 0.9003346562385559
found ship at [1650,1330] with score 0.9725714921951294
found ship at [1650,1340] with score 0.9949212670326233
found ship at [1650,1350] with score 0.9535197615623474
found ship at [1650,1360] with score 0.5232093334197998
found ship at [1650,2570] with score 0.825171709060669
found ship at [1650,2580] with score 0.9769288897514343
found ship at [1650,2590] with score 0.8679521083831787
found ship at [1660,1240] with score 0.5393351316452026
found ship at [1660,1250] with score 0.8783965706825256
found ship at [1660,1260] with score 0.901401937007904
found ship at [1660,1270] with score 0.8305962085723877
found ship at [1660,1280] with score 0.940302848815918
found ship at [1660,1290] with score 0.9635890126228333
found ship at [1660,1300] with score 0.7065883278846741
found ship at [1660,1320] with score 0.522511899471283
found ship at [1660,2580] with score 0.703640341758728
```



```
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(16,32))
ax = fig.add_subplot(3, 1, 1)

ax.imshow(tensor)

for ship in ships:
    row, col = ship
    ax.add_patch(patches.Rectangle((col, row), 80, 80, edgecolor='r', facecolor='none'))

plt.show()
```



### *Project purpose*

Ships detection from satellite is very important for several reasons: intelligence, commercial, ships retrieval..

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### *Different applications*

In general the use of satellite images in combination with deep learning could be very helpful for several applications. A second set of tasks is of change detection, where the goal is to identify regions which have changed when contrasting two satellite images. This has applications in determining extent of damage during natural disasters, understanding the growth of cities, and also determining deforestation

### *New tasks*

In the future, it might be possible to even apply these techniques to live drones or airships. The industry is on the rise, and pretty soon the satellite imageries treatment will reach even more important peaks.

The background image is an aerial photograph of a coastal area. On the left, the deep blue ocean meets a bright turquoise lagoon. A narrow strip of land with dense green vegetation runs along the coastline. To the right, the land continues as rolling green hills and fields under a clear blue sky with scattered white clouds.

*Thanks for your attention!*

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