

Vehicle Identification and Classification System



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Problem Statement

- Implementation of an efficient method for recognizing vehicles.
- Classification of objects e.g. as cars, trucks, pedestrians, etc. in the traffic dataset.

Solution

1. Bag of Features Classifier

- Implementation of feature extraction module using bag of features (combination of Harris-corner detector and SIFT features)
- Classification is performed using Support vector machines (SVM)

2. Deep Learning Classifier

- Convolutional Neural Network

Image Dataset

1. Indian Vehicle Database



Properties	Description
Name	Indian Vehicle database
Sources	Static vehicle pictures captured using camera on Indian roads, Pictures collected from Internet resources like Goggle images etc. and Pictures cropped from a traffic videos
Constraints	Pose, lightning and view
Number of classes	4
vehicle types	Truck, Auto, Bus and Car
Number of images per class	450
Total Images	1800

Image Dataset Cont.

2. MIO-TCD Classification Challenge Dataset

Category	Training	Testing
Articulated Truck	10,346	2,587
Bicycle	2,284	571
Bus	10,316	2,579
Car	260,518	65,131
Motorcycle	1,982	495
Non-Motorized Vehicle	1,751	438
Pedestrian	6,262	1,565
Pickup Truck	50,906	12,727
Single-Unit Truck	5,120	1,280
Work Van	9,679	2,422
Background	160,000	40,000
Total	519,164	129,795

Feature Extraction

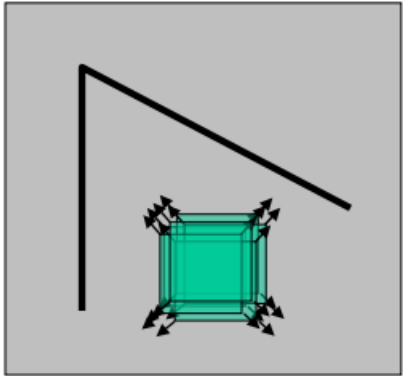
1. Keypoints Detection
2. Computing Descriptors
3. Clustering
4. Bag of Visual Words Model
5. Generating Vocabulary

Keypoint Detection

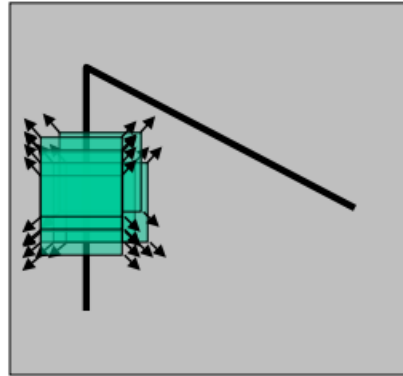
Harris Corner Detection

- This algorithm was developed to identify the internal corners of an image.
- The corners of an image are basically identified as the regions in which there are variations in large intensity of the gradient in all possible dimensions and directions.

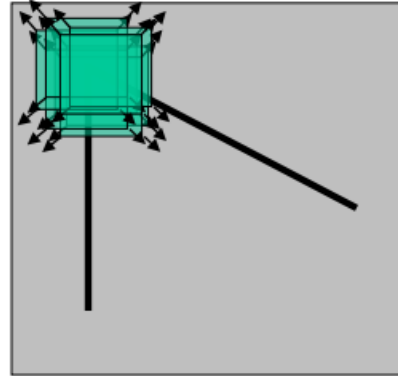
Harris Corners Detection



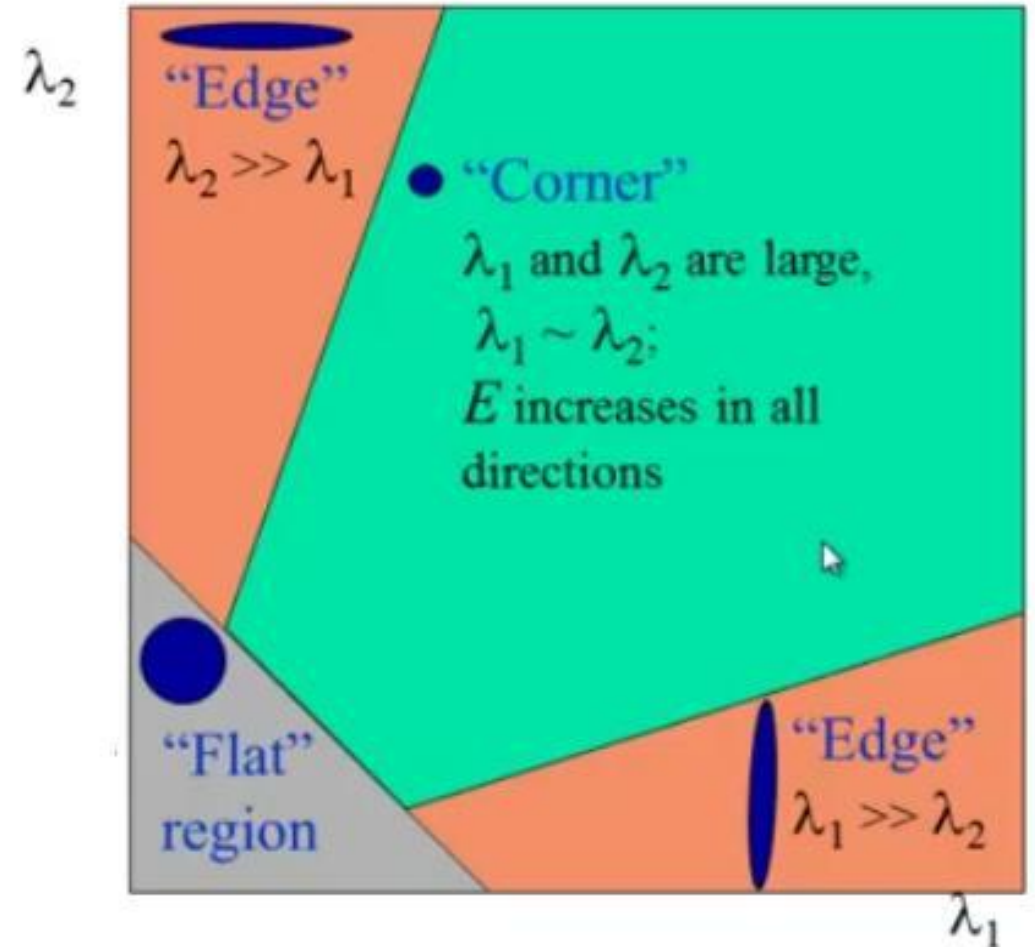
“flat” region:
no change in
all directions



“edge”:
no change along
the edge direction



“corner”:
significant change
in all directions



Computing Descriptors

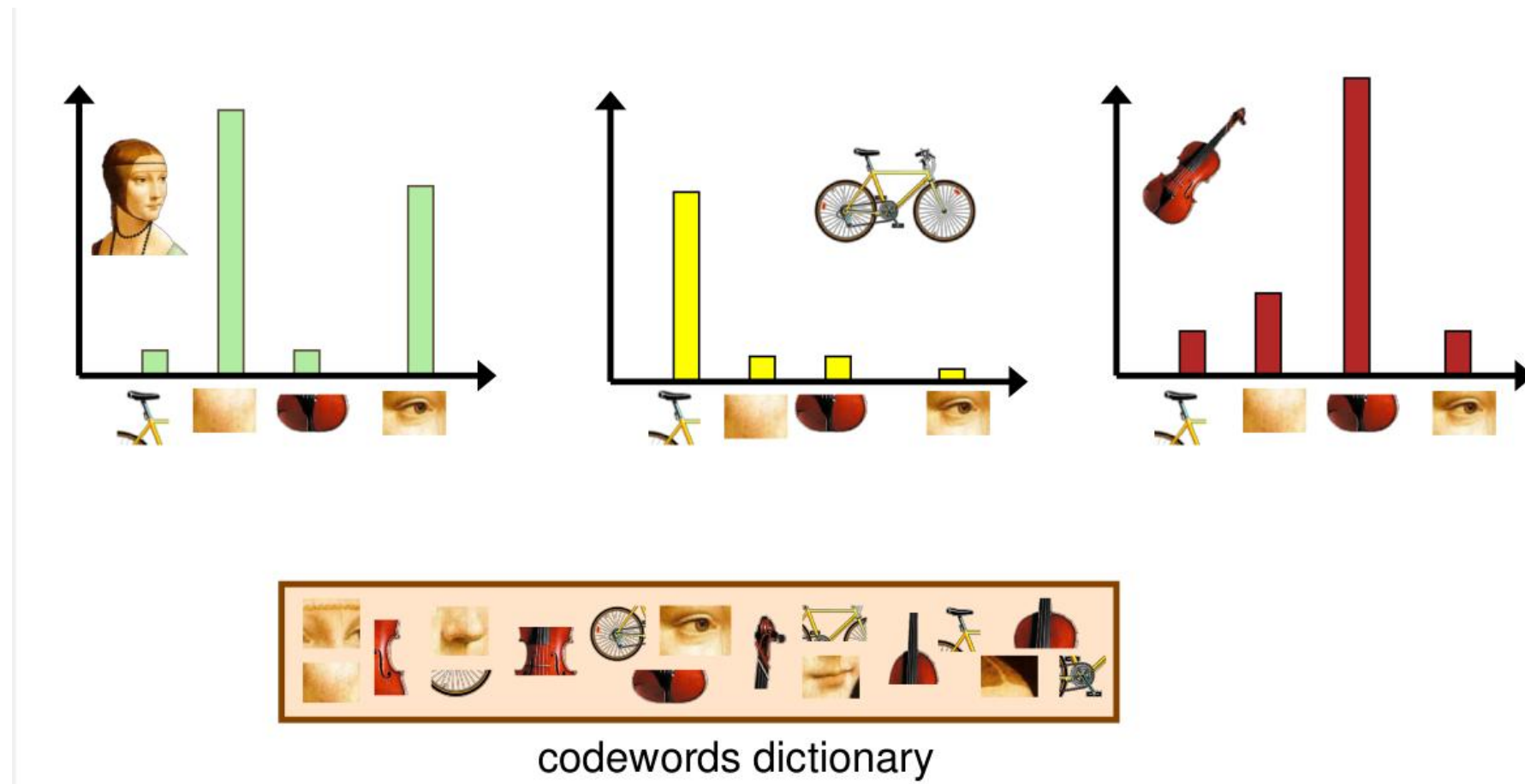
SIFT (Scale Invariant Feature Transform)

- It is a technique for detecting salient, stable feature points in an image.
- For every such point, it also provides a set of “features” that “characterize/describe” a small image region around the point.
- These features are invariant to rotation and scale.

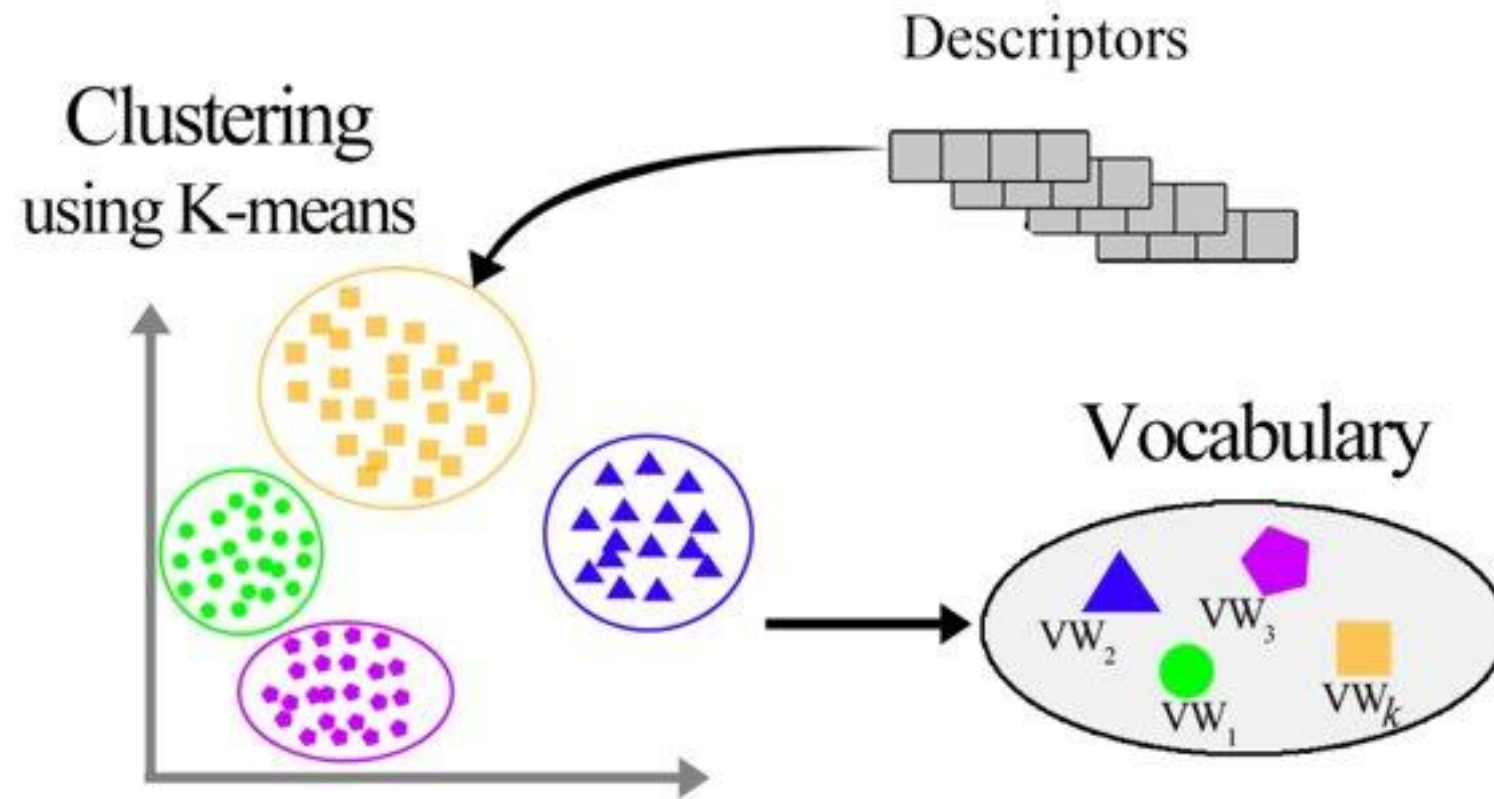
Bag of Visual Words

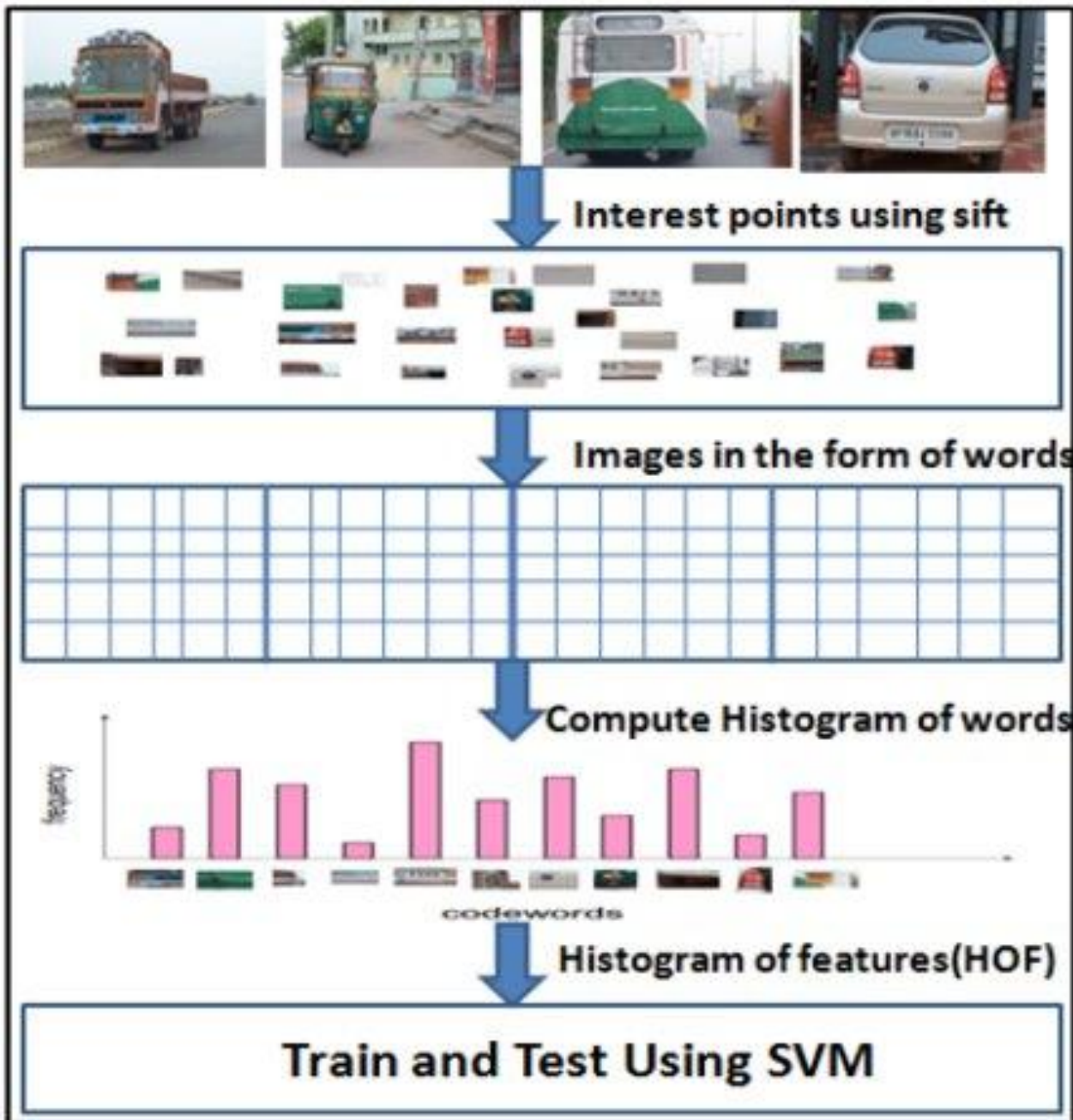
- Supervised Learning model.
- Every object can be represented by its parts.
- A label can be defined as a key/value for identifying to what class/category does the object belongs.
- The final step is codebook generation. A codebook can be thought of as a dictionary that registers corresponding mappings between features and their definition in the object.

Bag of Visual Words



Generating Vocabulary

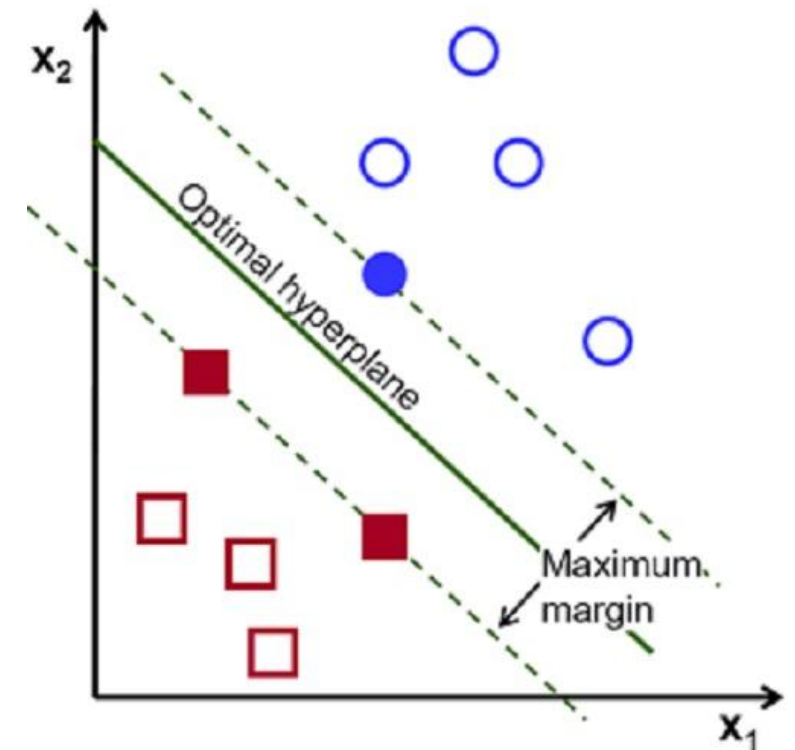




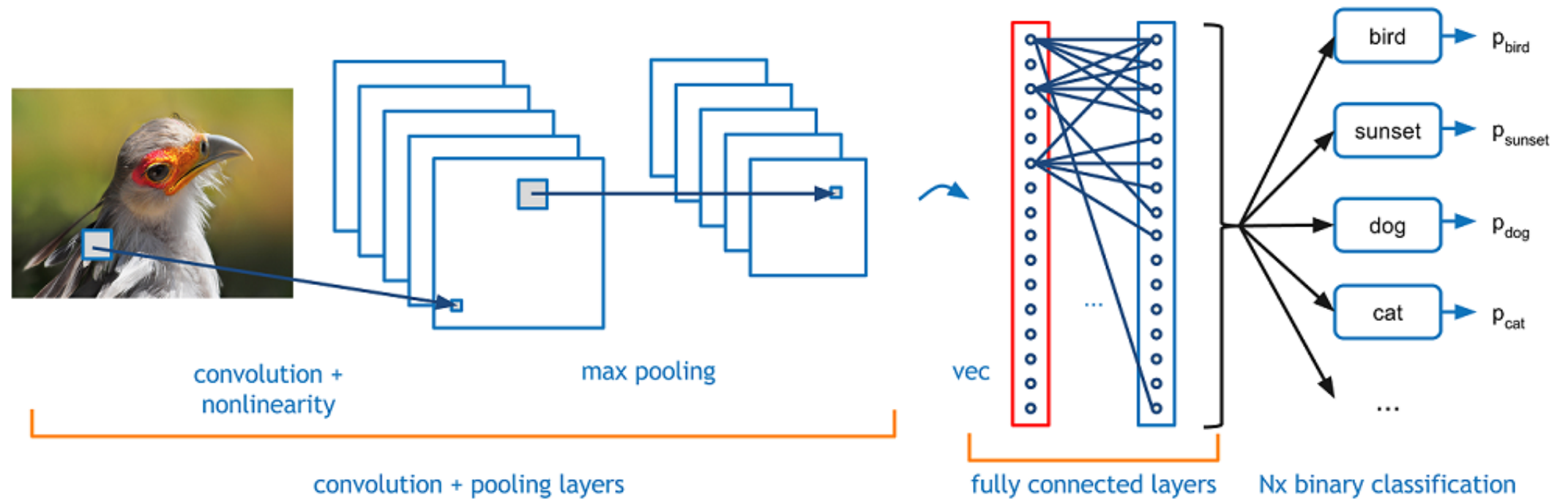
Classification

Support Vector Machines (SVM)

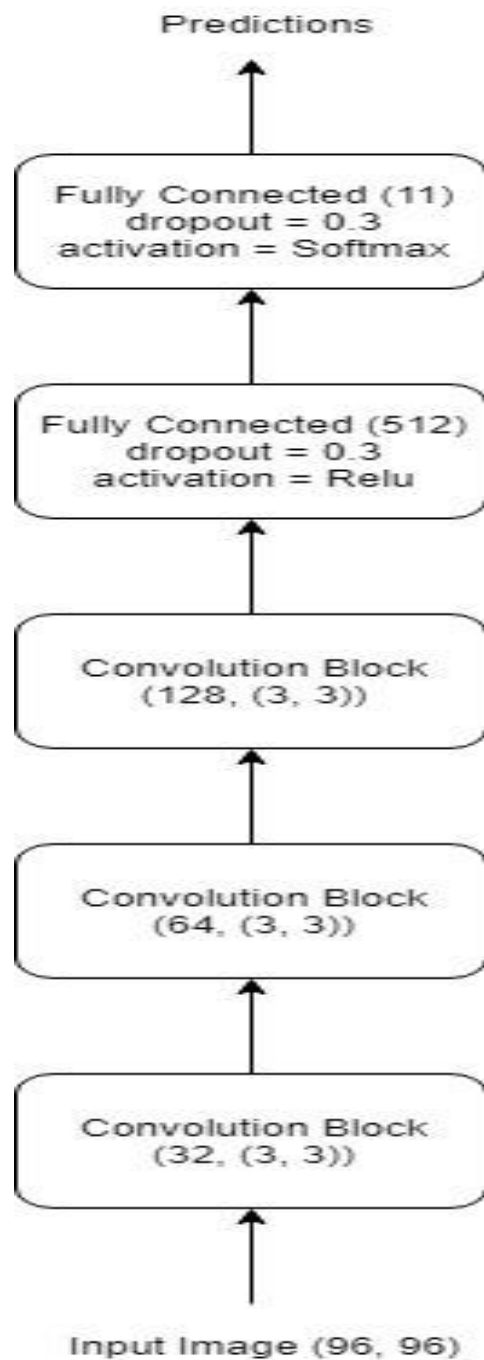
- It is a discriminative classifier formally defined by a separating hyper-plane.
- It is a multiclass classifier to distinguish between similar images and to define classes for the same.



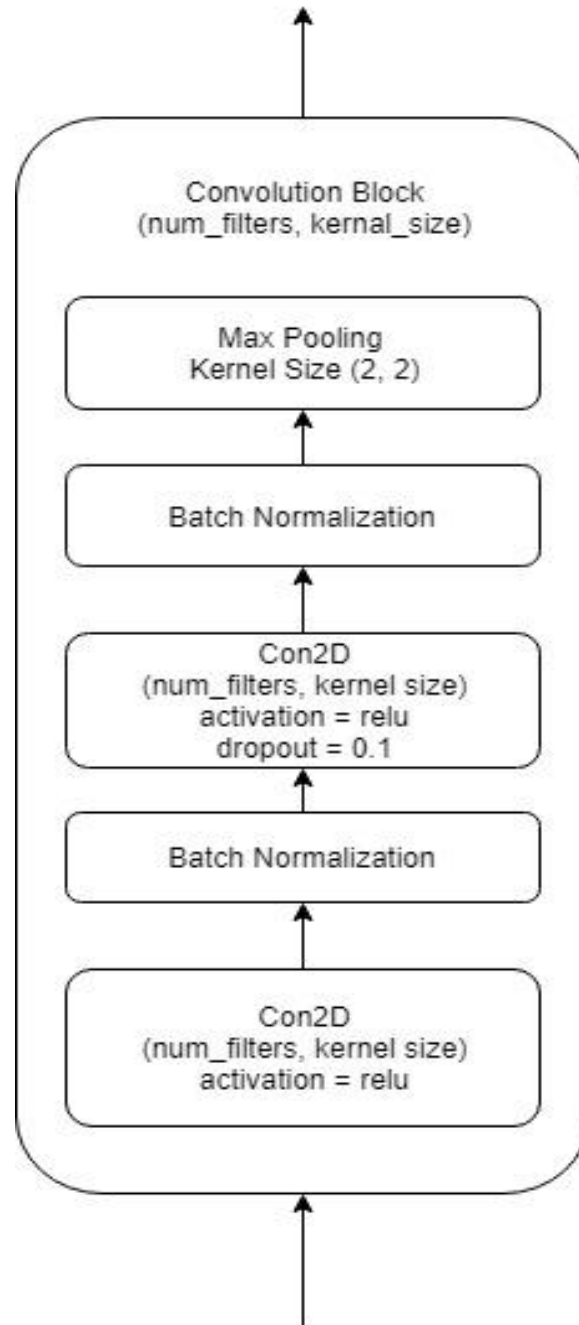
Convolutional Neural Networks



Architecture of the Deep Learning Model

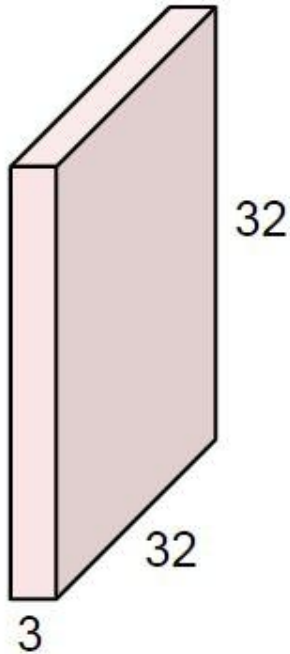


Modular Architecture of a Convolution Block

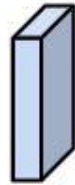


Convolution Layer

32x32x3 image

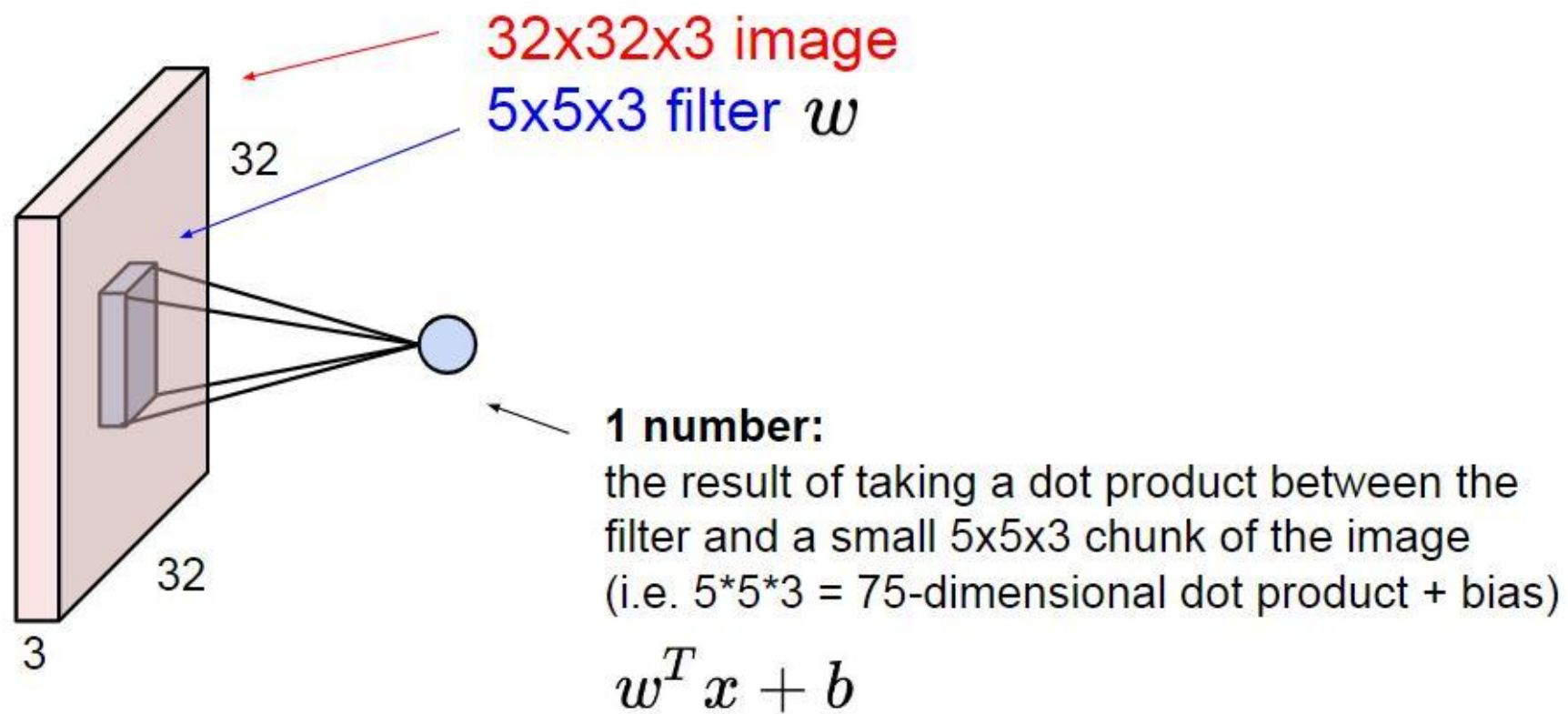


5x5x3 filter

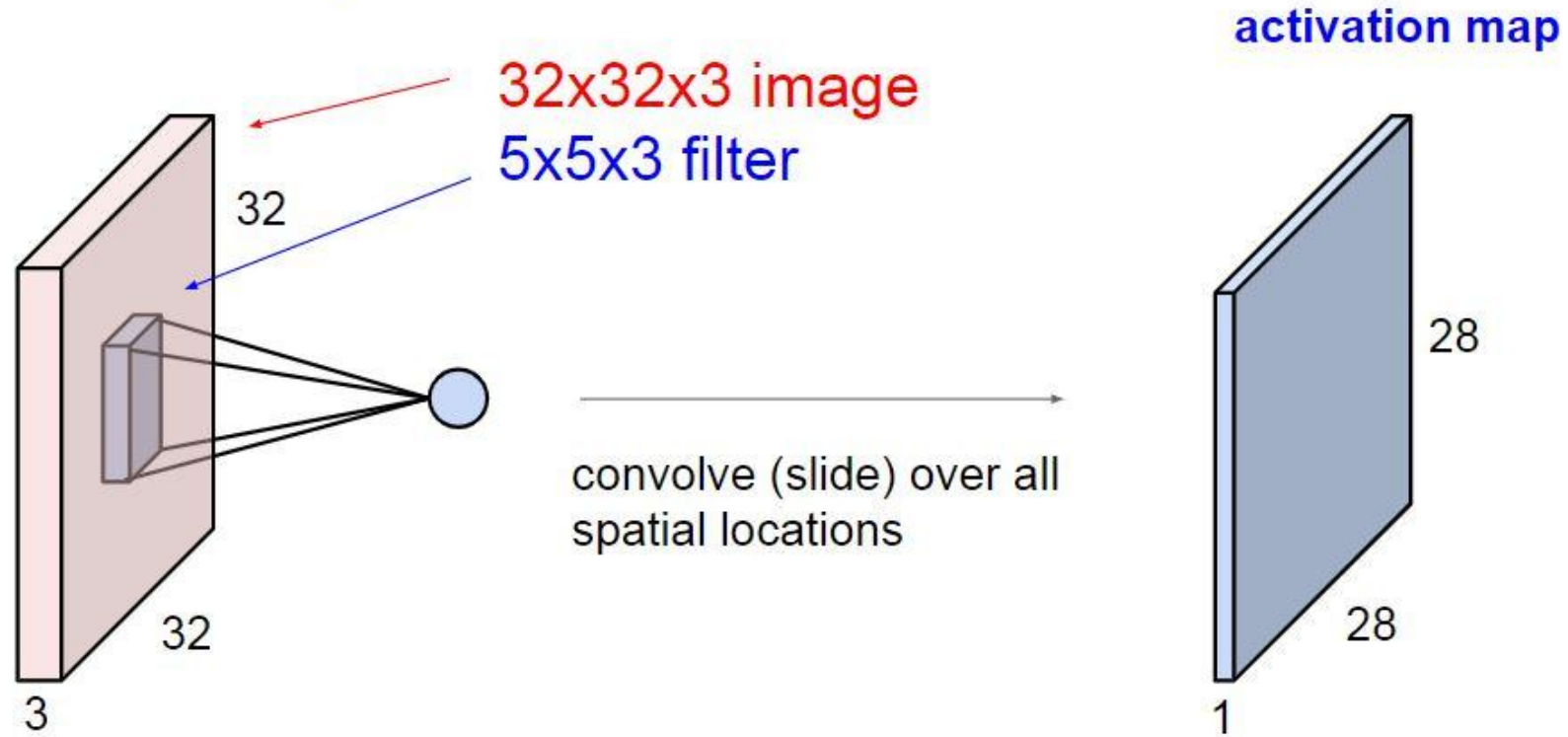


Convolve the filter with the image
i.e. “slide over the image spatially,
computing dot products”

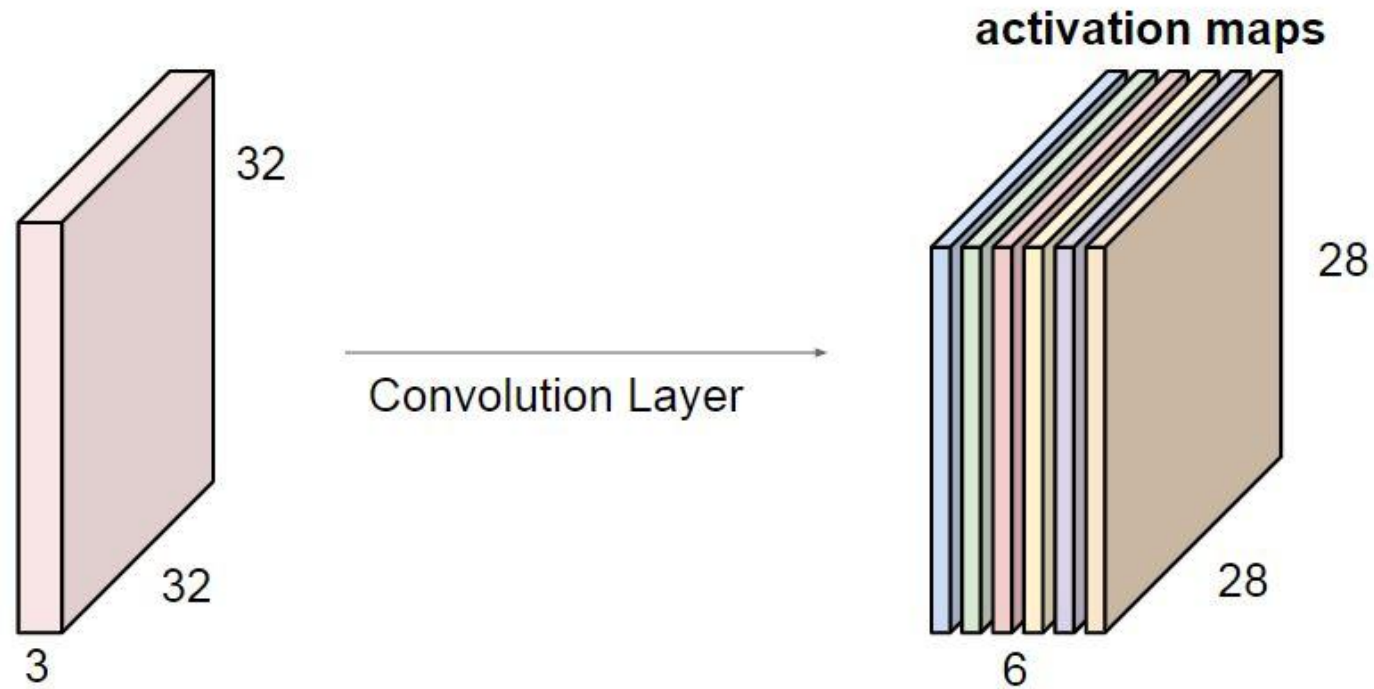
Convolution Layer



Convolution Layer

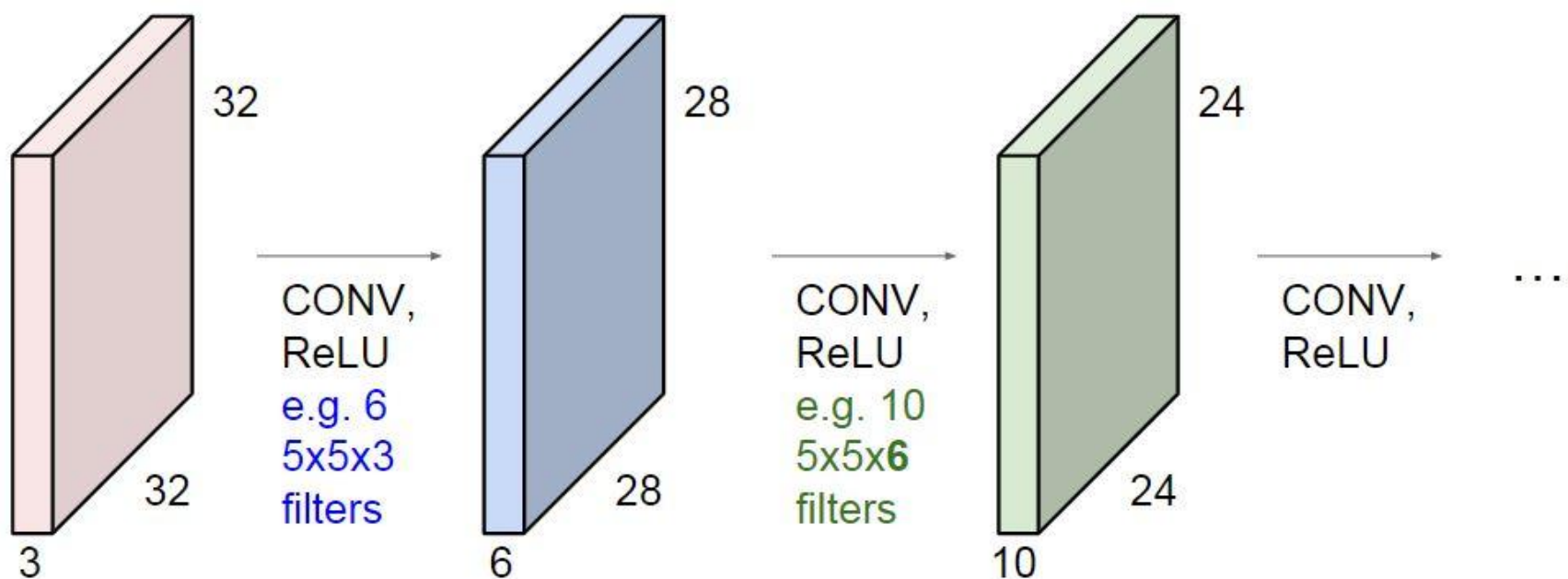


For example, if we had 6 5x5 filters, we'll get 6 separate activation maps:

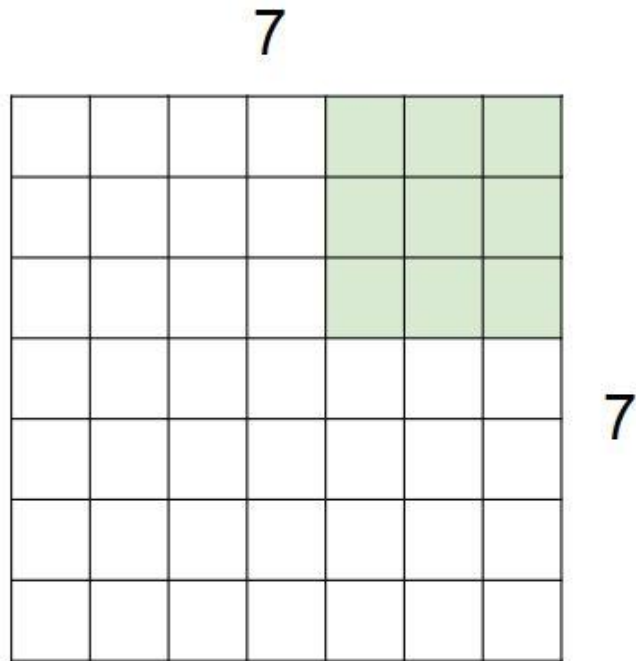


We stack these up to get a “new image” of size 28x28x6!

Preview: ConvNet is a sequence of Convolutional Layers, interspersed with activation functions



A closer look at spatial dimensions:



7x7 input (spatially)
assume 3x3 filter
applied **with stride 2**
=> 3x3 output!

In practice: Common to zero pad the border

0	0	0	0	0	0			
0								
0								
0								
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e.g. input 7x7

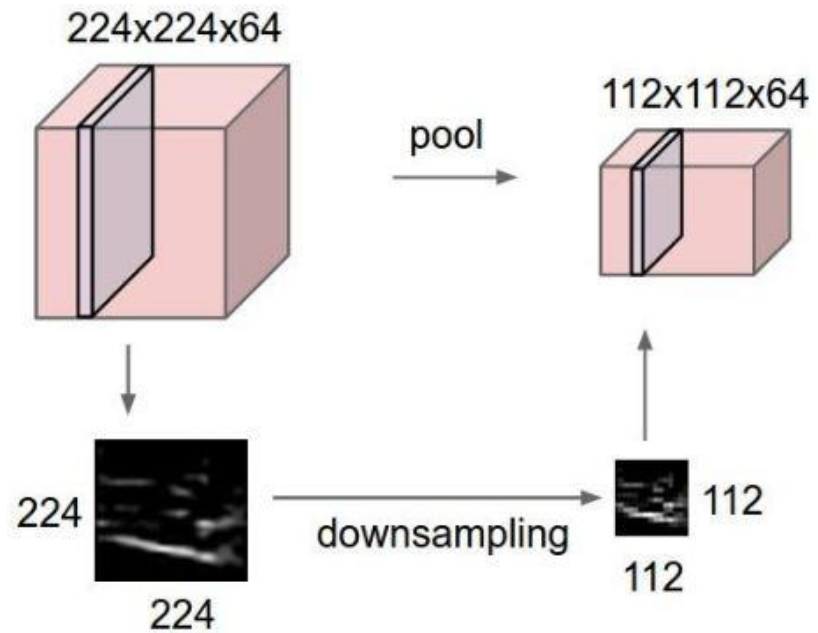
3x3 filter, applied with **stride 1**

pad with 1 pixel border => what is the output?

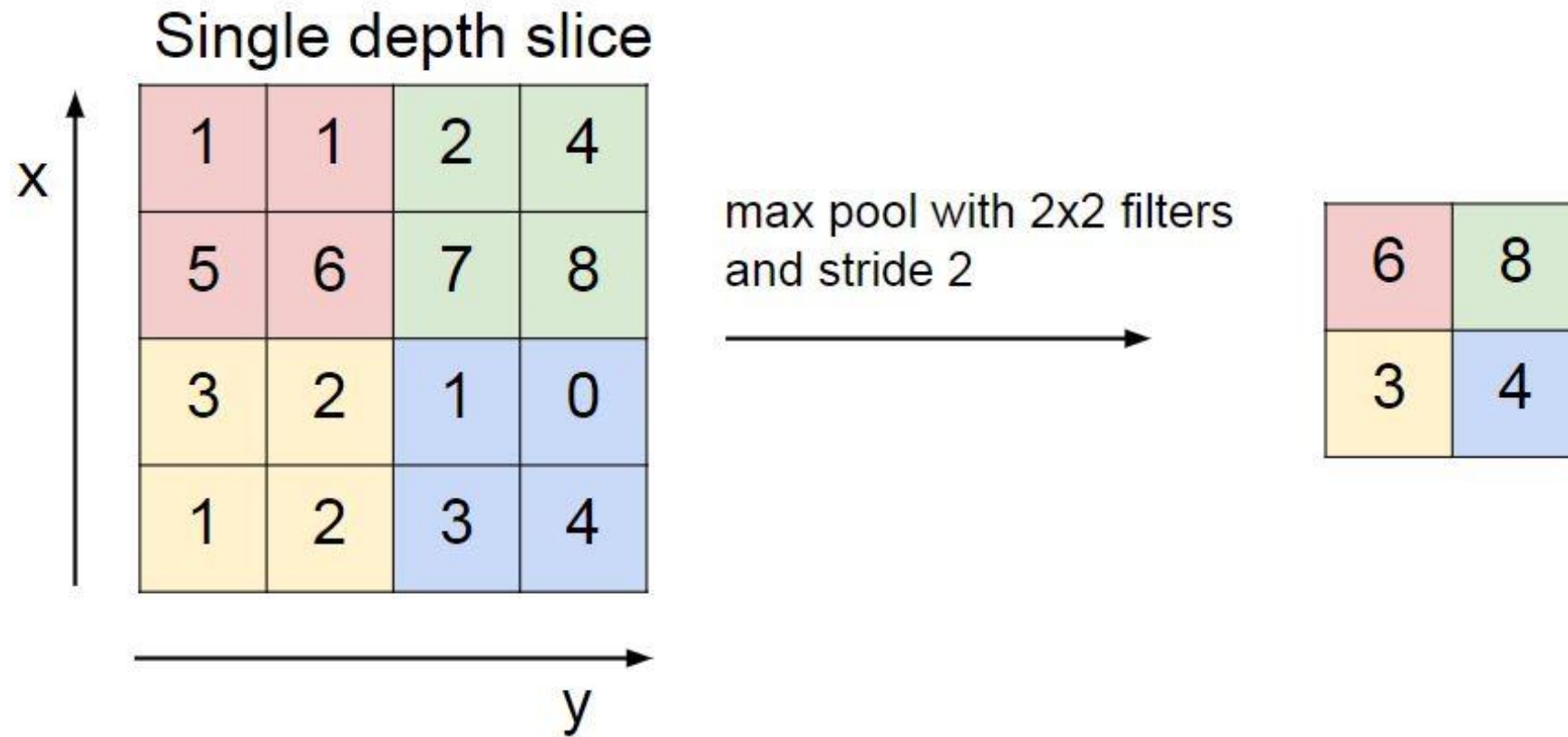
7x7 output!

Pooling layer

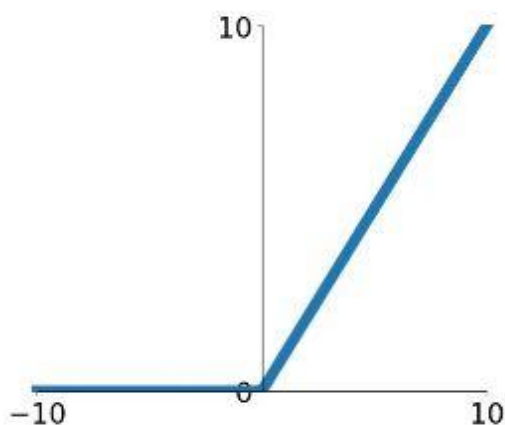
- makes the representations smaller and more manageable
- operates over each activation map independently:



MAX POOLING



Activation Functions



ReLU
(Rectified Linear Unit)

- Computes $f(x) = \max(0, x)$
- Does not saturate (in +region)
- Very computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice (e.g. 6x)
- Actually more biologically plausible than sigmoid

[Krizhevsky et al., 2012]

Batch Normalization

[Ioffe and Szegedy, 2015]

“you want unit gaussian activations? just make them so.”

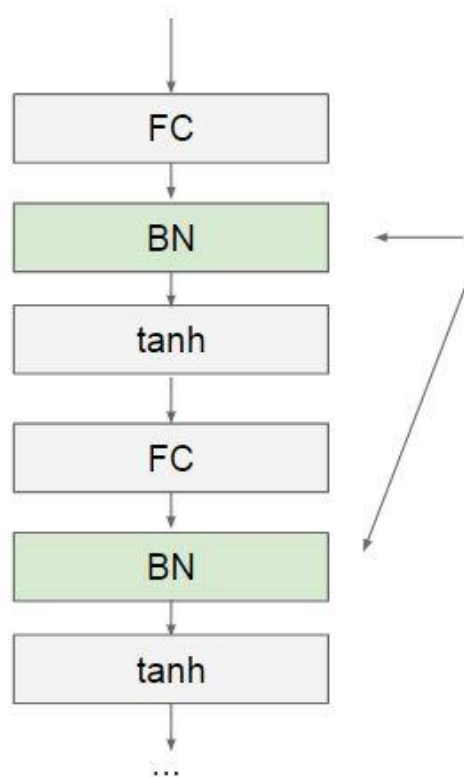
consider a batch of activations at some layer.
To make each dimension unit gaussian, apply:

$$\hat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - \mathbb{E}[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[x^{(k)}]}}$$

this is a vanilla
differentiable function...

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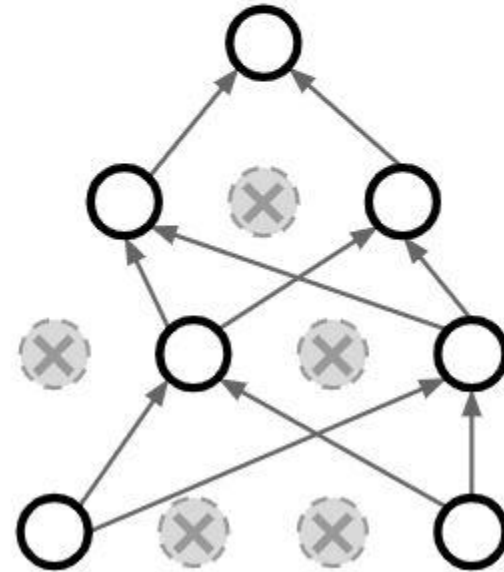
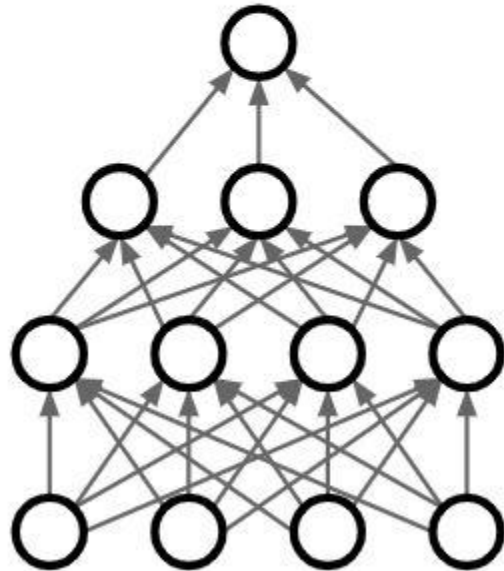


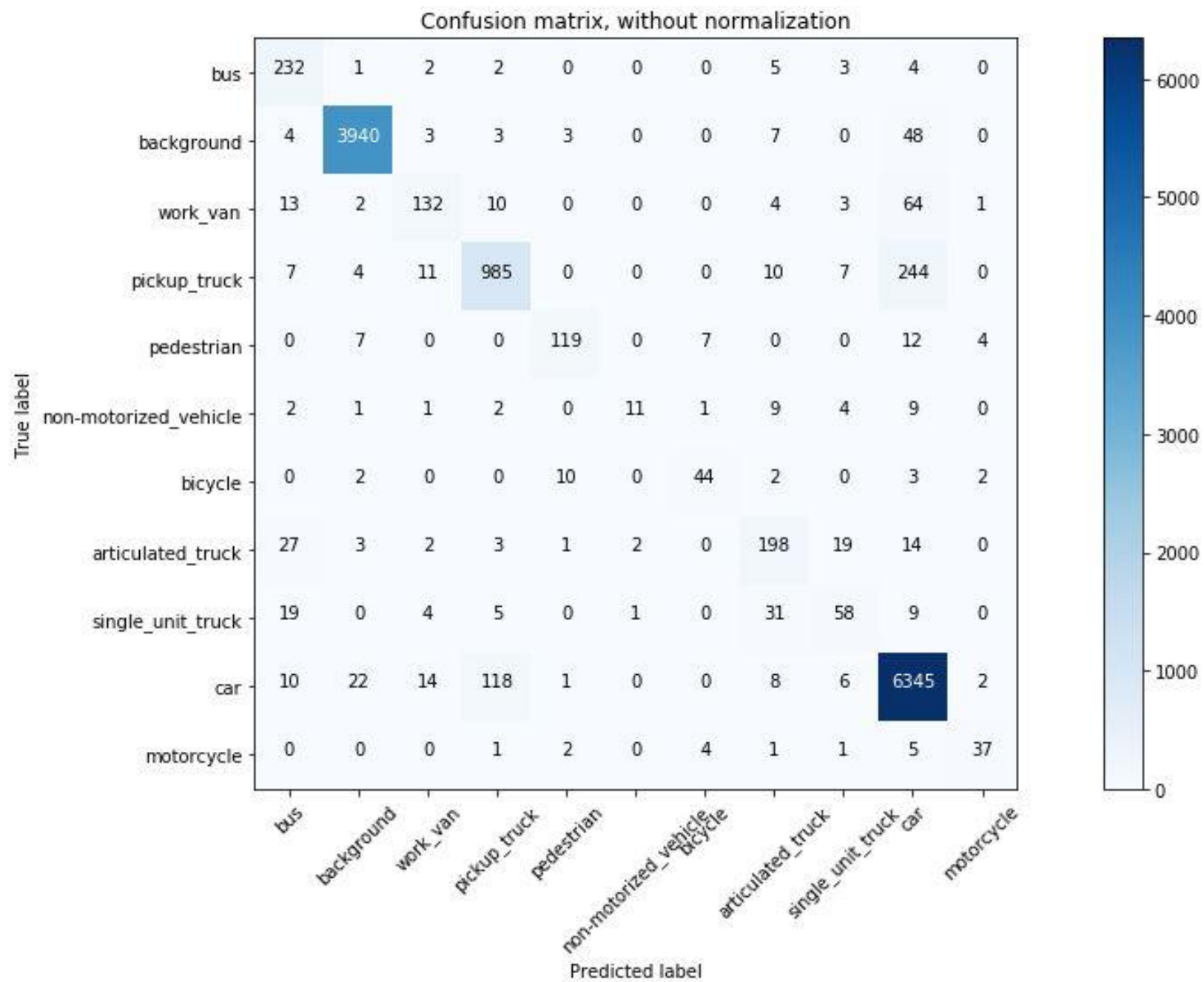
Usually inserted after Fully Connected or Convolutional layers, and before nonlinearity.

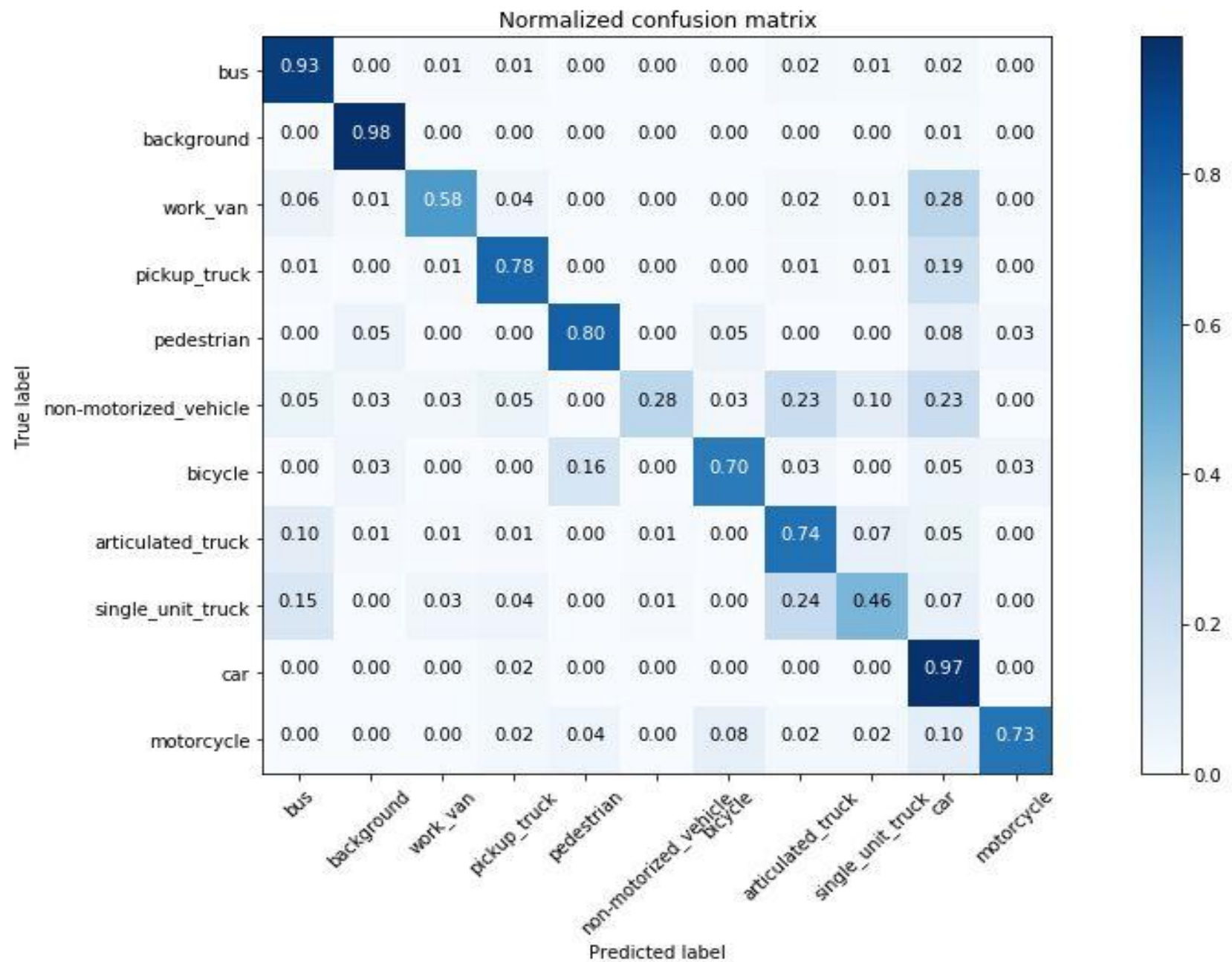
$$\hat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - \mathbb{E}[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[x^{(k)}]}}$$

Regularization: Dropout

In each forward pass, randomly set some neurons to zero
Probability of dropping is a hyperparameter; 0.5 is common







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