# Interpreting a trained CNN

-- What did my convolutional network learn?

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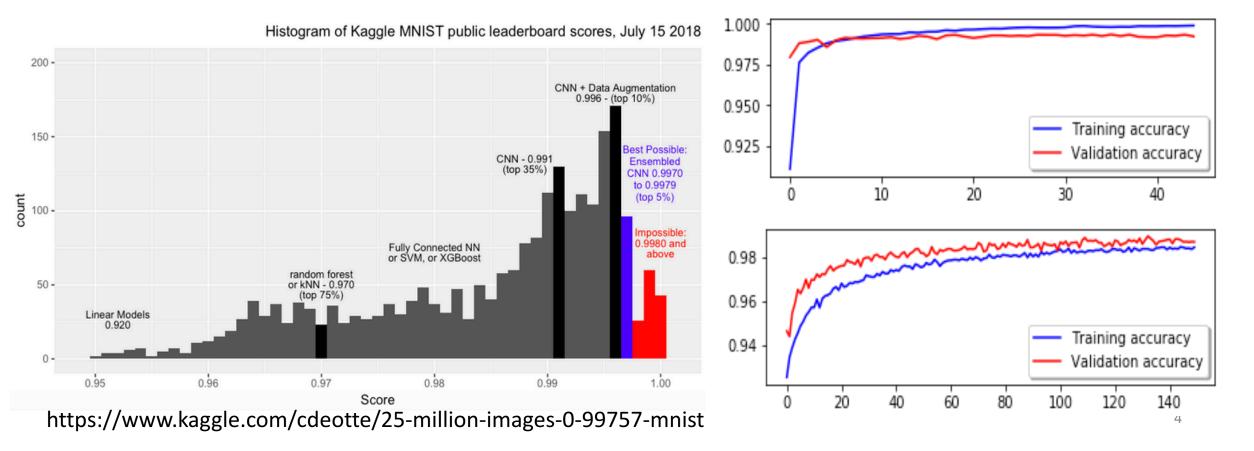
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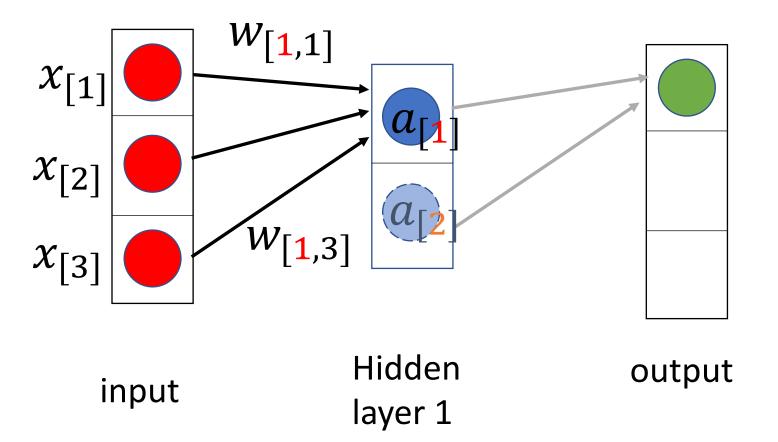
## Motivation

- My CNN classifier achieved 99.3% accuracy on MNIST hand-written digit dataset, but I cannot interpret it!
- 2. Knowing the information it did/did not learn can be the key to improvements.
- 3. Validation accuracy exceeds training accuracy after data augmentation!



## Neural network

$$z_{[1]} = w_{[1,1]}x_{[1]} + w_{[1,2]}x_{[2]} + w_{[1,3]}x_{[3]} + b_{[1]} \cdot 1$$
  
 $a_{[1]} = \sigma(z_{[1]})$   $\sigma: nonlinear\ activation\ function$ 



TL;DR

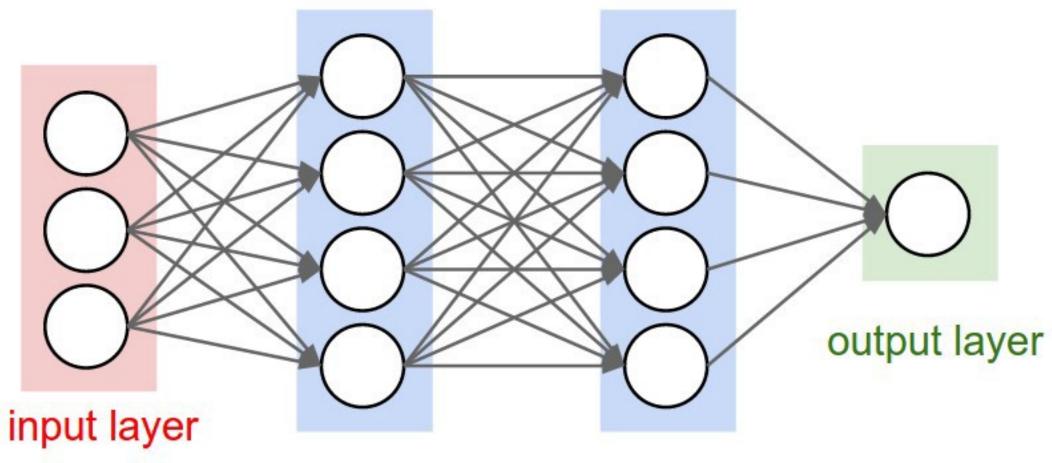
- 1. Weigh
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- 3. Activate

$$\vec{a} = \sigma \left( \overrightarrow{w} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{b} \right)$$

$$\vec{a}^{(1)} = \sigma \left( \overleftrightarrow{w}^{(1)} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{b}^{(1)} \right)$$
$$\vec{a}^{(2)} = \sigma \left( \overleftrightarrow{w}^{(2)} \cdot \vec{a}^{(1)} + \vec{b}^{(2)} \right)$$

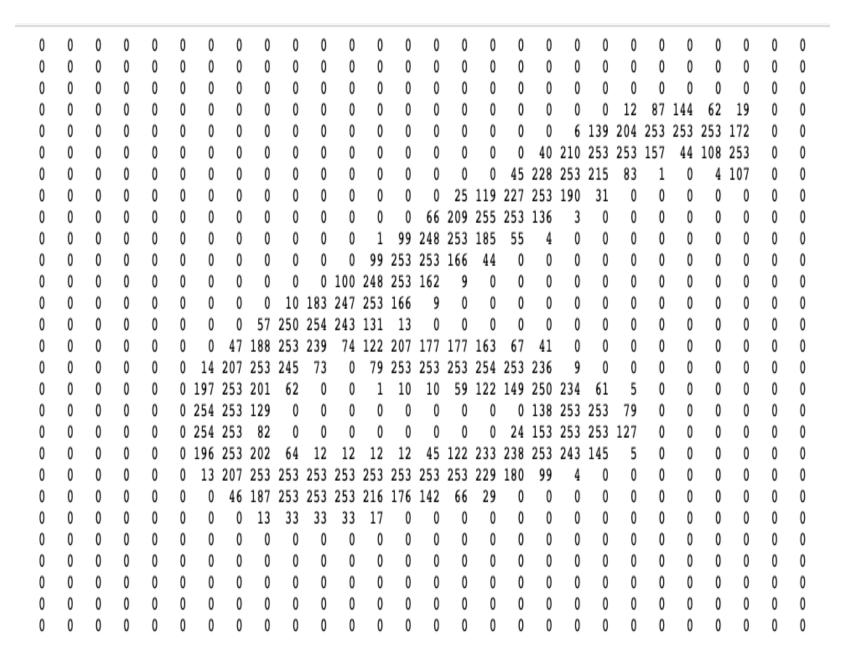
$$\vec{a}^{(h)} = \sigma \left( \overrightarrow{w}^{(h)} \cdot \vec{a}^{(h-1)} + \vec{b}^{(h)} \right)$$

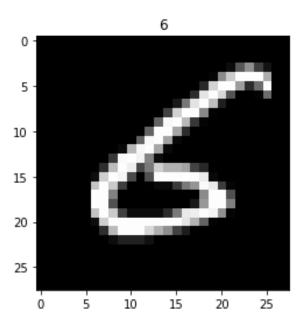
## Neural Network – fully connected



hidden layer 1 hidden layer 2

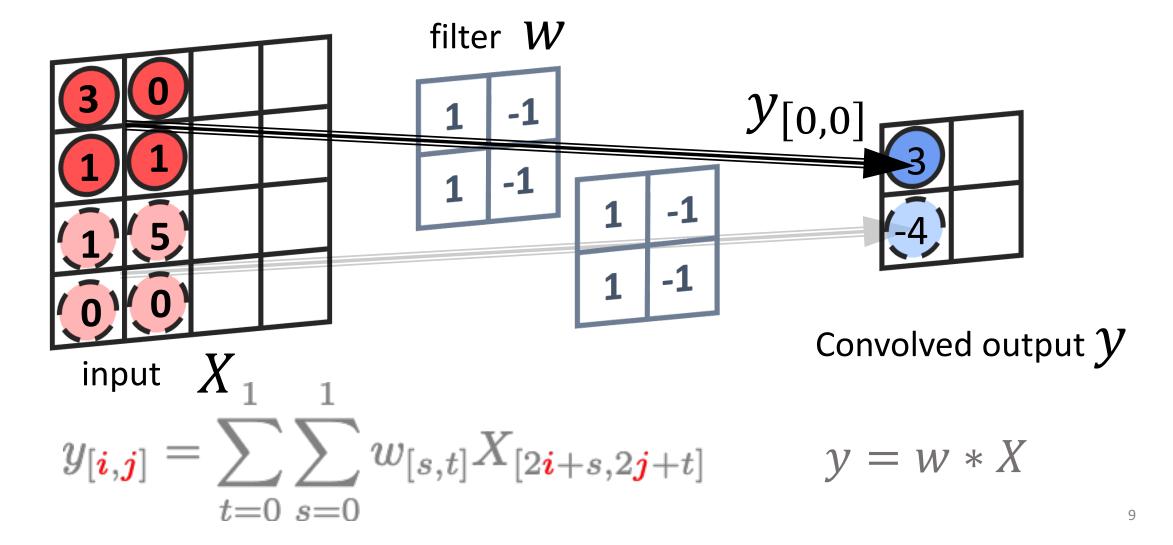
## **Pixels**





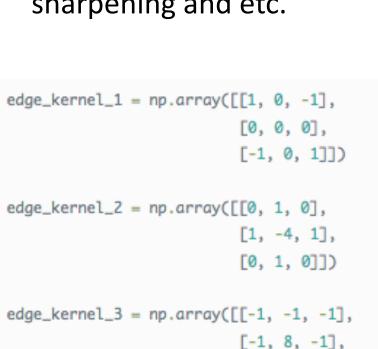
## Convolution

$$y_{[0,0]} = \sum_{t=0}^{1} \sum_{s=0}^{1} w_{[s,t]} X_{[0+s,0+t]}$$



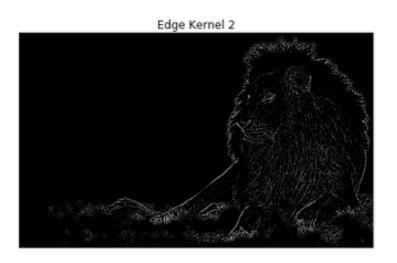
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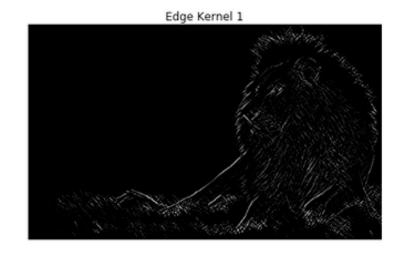
 Convolution can do edge detection, blurring, sharpening and etc.

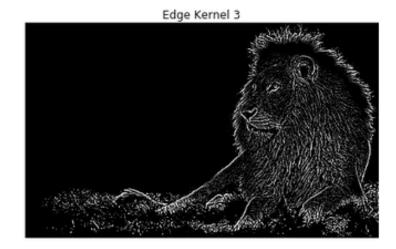


[-1, -1, -1]])



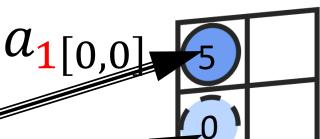






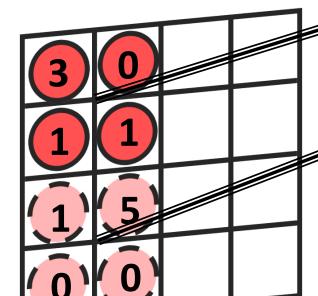
https://beckernick.github.io/convolutions/

## Convolutional Network-L



input X

$$b_1 = 2$$



$$y = w * X$$

$$z_{1[0,0]} = y_{1[0,0]} + b_1 \cdot 1$$

$$a_{1[0,0]} = \sigma \left( z_{1[0,0]} \right)$$

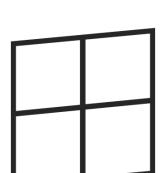
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#### Activation : eg.*ReLu*:

#### 1. Convolve

- 2. Bias
- 3. Activate

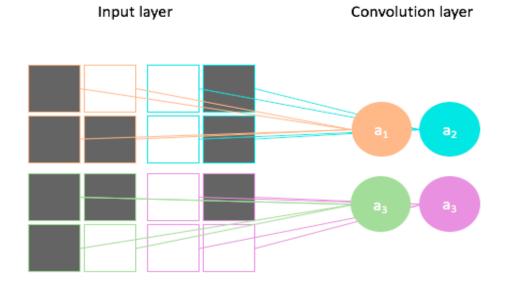
$$\sigma(z) = z$$
, when  $z \ge 0$   
= 0, when  $z < 0$ 

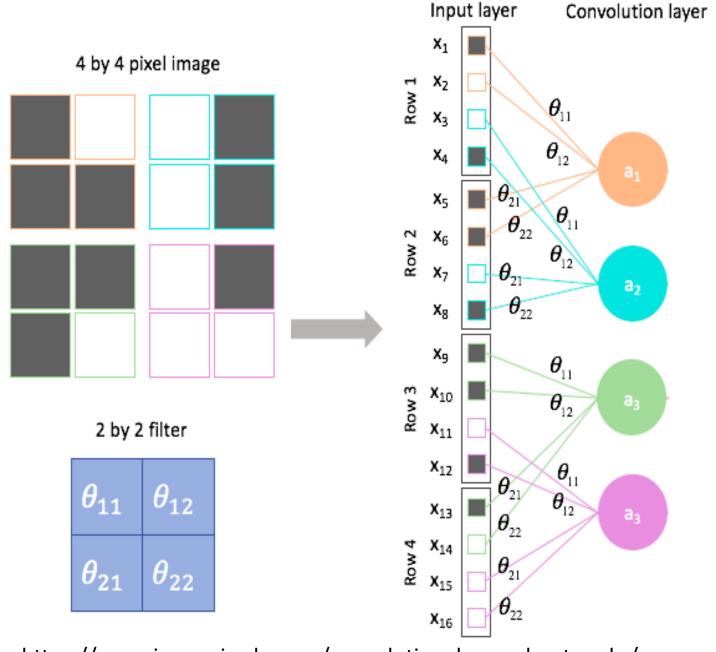


Convolutional hidden layer 1

## Conv Net-II

- 1. Sparsely connected network
- 2. Locality is preserved with convolution





https://www.jeremyjordan.me/convolutional-neural-networks/2

# The approaches

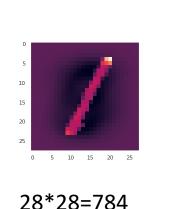
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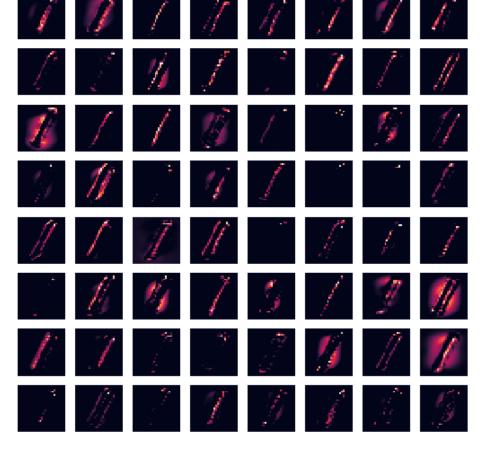
## Visualize the intermediate activations-I

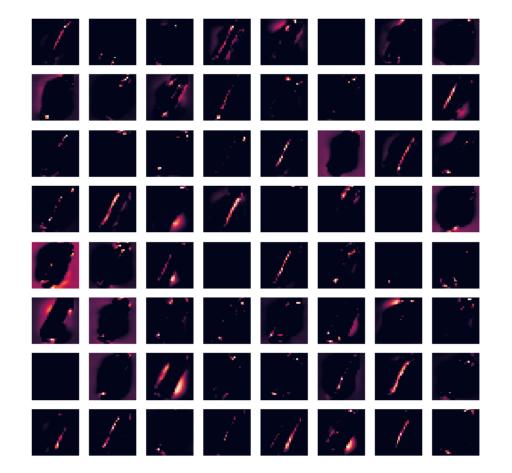
h:hiddne layer index  $^{\circ\circ\circ\circ^{2d}_{-1}}$  h=1

$$_{\text{conv2d}_{-1}} h = 1$$

 $_{\text{conv2d}_{2}} h = 2$ 







(28\*28)\*64=50,176

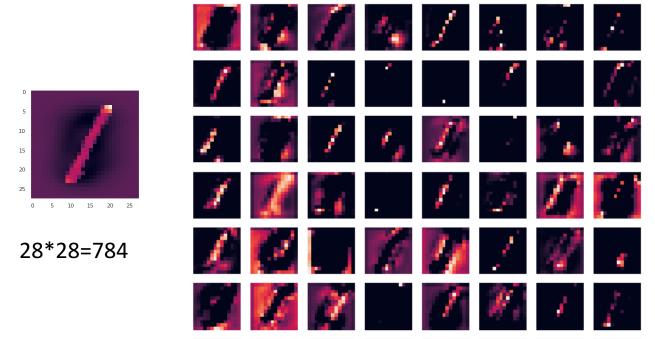
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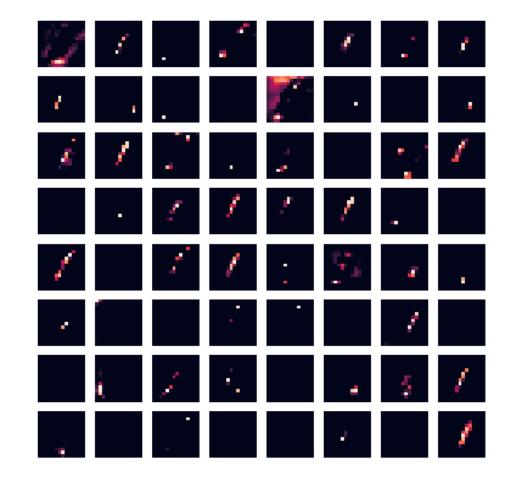
## Visualize the intermediate activations-II

h:hiddne layer index onv2d\_3 h = 5

$$_{\text{conv2d}_{-3}} h = 5$$

 $_{\text{conv2d}_{-4}} h = 6$ 





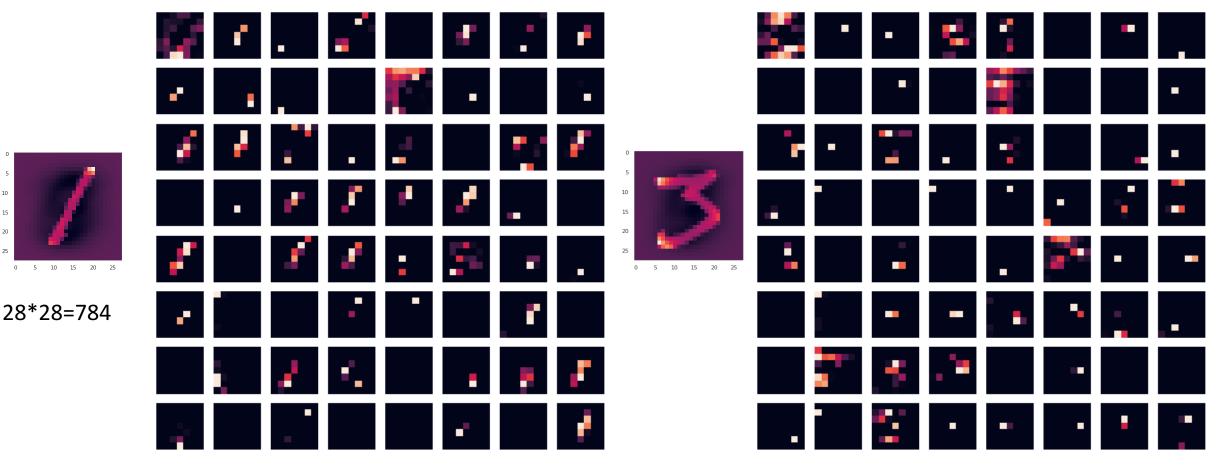
(14\*14)\*64=12,544

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## Visualize the intermediate activations-III

h:hiddne layer index dropout\_2 h=8

h = 8dropout\_2



(7\*7)\*64=3,136

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## CNN encoder and interpreters

the architecture

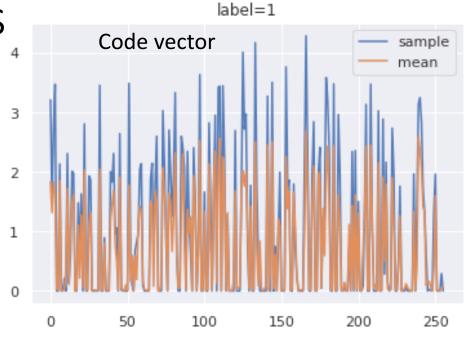
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#The model structure
my_CNN_clf=Sequential([
   ############################### CNN-encoder
                                                                                         h = 1
   Conv2D(filters = 64, activation = 'relu', kernel_size=(5,5), padding='Same', input_shape = (28,28,1)),
   Conv2D(filters = 64, activation = 'relu', kernel_size=(5,5), padding='Same'),
                                                                                         h=2
   MaxPool2D(pool_size=(2,2), strides=(2,2)),
   Dropout(0.25),
   Conv2D(filters = 64, activation = 'relu', kernel_size=(3,3), padding='Same'),
                                                                                         h = 5
   Conv2D(filters = 64, activation = 'relu', kernel_size=(3,3), padding='Same'),
                                                                                         h = 6
   MaxPool2D(pool_size=(2,2), strides=(2,2)),
                                                                                         h = 8
   Dropout(0.25),
   Flatten(), # d=64*7*7=3136
                                      Encoder: input → 3,136-dimensional vector
   compressor
                                                                                         h = 10
   Dense(256, activation='relu'),
   Dropout(0.5), #d = 256
                                      Compressor: 3,136 \rightarrow 256 dimensional
   ####################
                            compressor
                                      The code vector
   ########################## interpretor
   Dense(10, activation='softmax'), #a normalized exponential functions for probability
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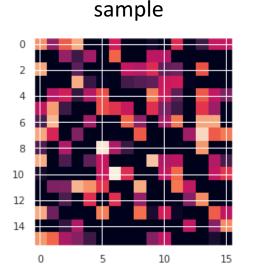
the code vectors

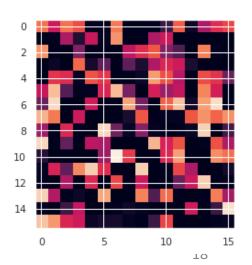
- Consistent and self-similarity within a class
- 2. Different interpreters show similar accuracy=> Conv. encoder is the key

Interpreters	accuracy
1 Dense layer NN	99.44%
SVM	99.35%
Random Forests (100 trees)	99.32%
Gradient Boost (100 trees)	99.24%
Decision Tree	98.46%

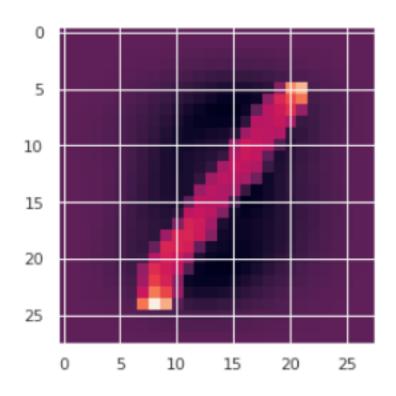


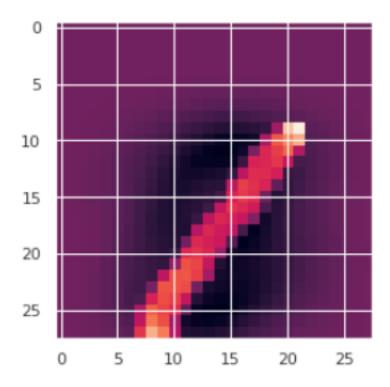
Code vector, label =1 mean





## Translational Invariance

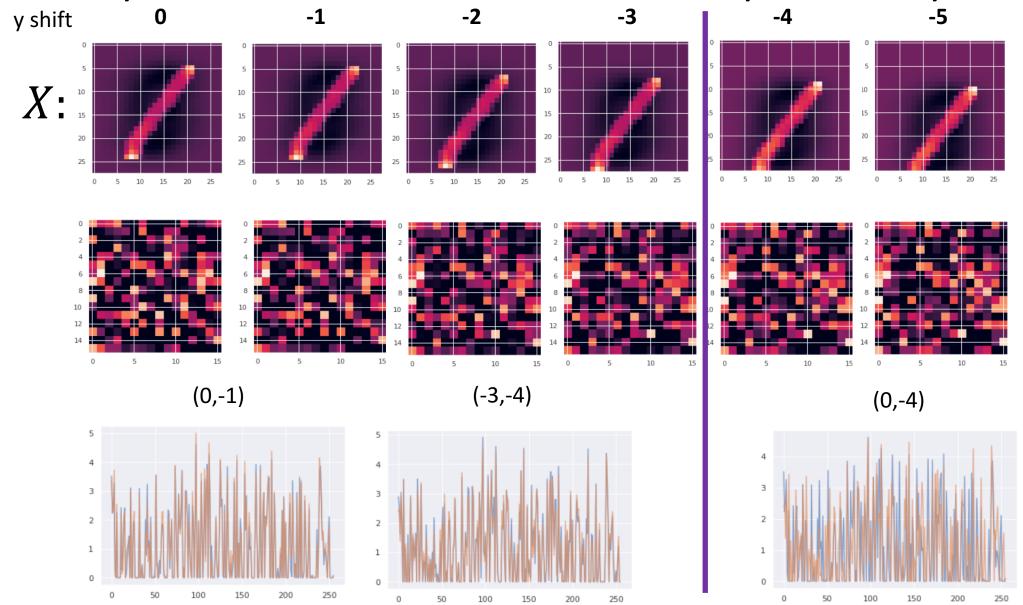




## Did my CNN learn translational invariance?



## Did my CNN learn translational symmetry?



### Conclusion

- Convolution reduces the neural network complexity and comprehend locality (relative positions) of the image (image pixels).
- The deep convolutional encoder is the key for the performance
- CNN encoding models learn translational invariance better than others, though not perfect.

## Conclusion

- Code vectors in hidden layers of CNN reduce the dimensionality of images.
- Information learned in CNN is **position sensitive**. And convolution is the key for high accuracy performance.
- The predicted probabilities of CNN are not continuous with respect to translations.
- Translations deform CNN code vectors more softly.

