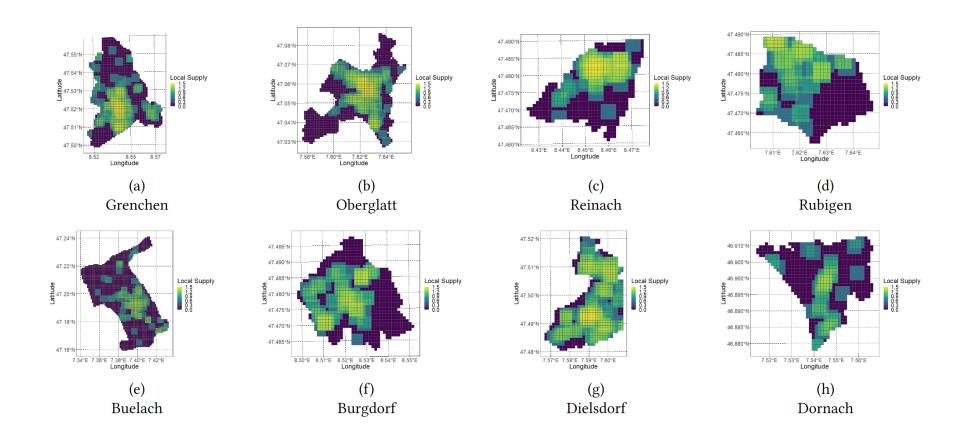
## **Multi-Input and Multi-Output Models**

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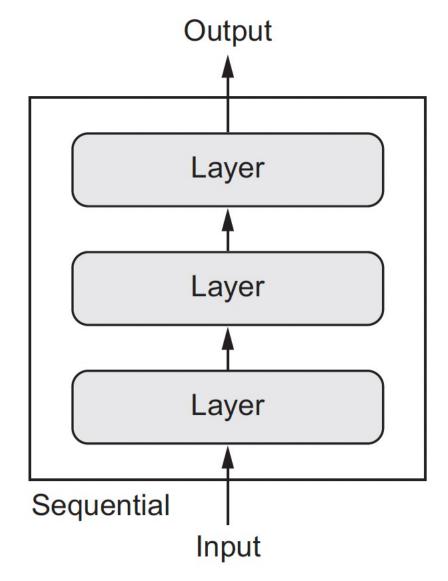
Die Studierende sind in der Lage

- Layers und Input Tensor als Tensoren zu verwenden.
- Layers als Funktionen anzuwenden.
- komplexere Modelle mit mehreren Inputs oder Outputs zu beschreiben und anzuwenden.



#### **Sequential Model**

- Sequential Models make the assumption that the network has exactly one input and exactly one output
- This set of assumptions is to inflexible in a number of cases,
   e.g. in the case several inputs or multiple outputs

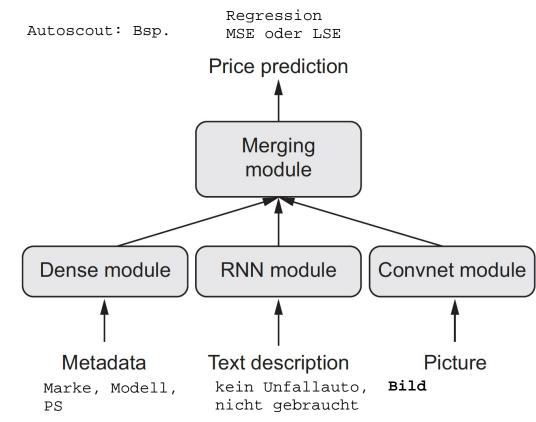






#### **Multimodal Inputs**

- A Multimodal Input Model merge data coming from different input sources
- A multimodal input model process each source of data using a different kind of neural network
- Example: Deep Learning Model for predicting the market price of a second hand piece of clothing using the following inputs:
  - user-provided metadata (item's brand, age and so on)
  - user-provided text description
  - picture

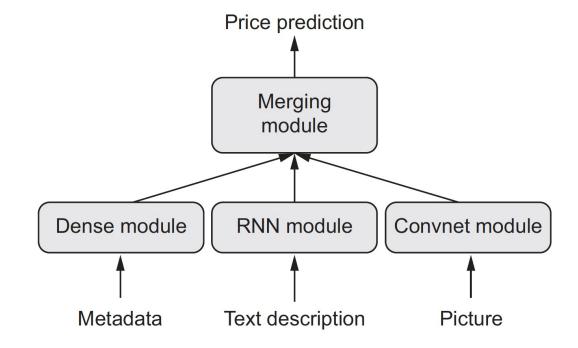


Visualization of an example of a multimodal input model for the prediction of the market price of a second-hand piece



#### **Multimodal Inputs**

- In the case of only one data source, the deep learning models would look like:
  - user-provided metadata Densely connected network on one-hot encoded variables
  - user-provided text description RNN or 1D CNN
  - ❖ Picture 2D CNN
- How to combine all three at the same time?

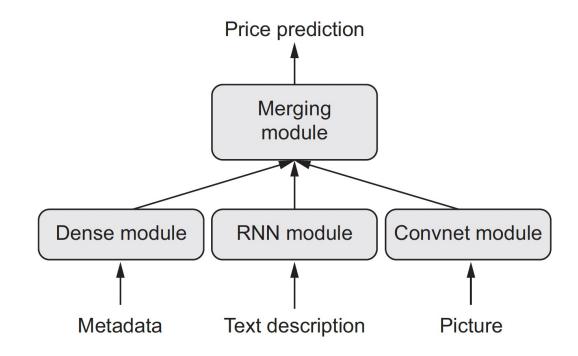


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#### **Multimodal Inputs**

- Naïve Approach:
  - 1. To train all three **separate** models
  - 2. Do a weighted average of their predictions
- This solution is suboptimal, because the information extracted by the models may be redundant.
- Better way: Jointly learn a more accurate model of the data by using a model that can see all available input modalities simultaneously



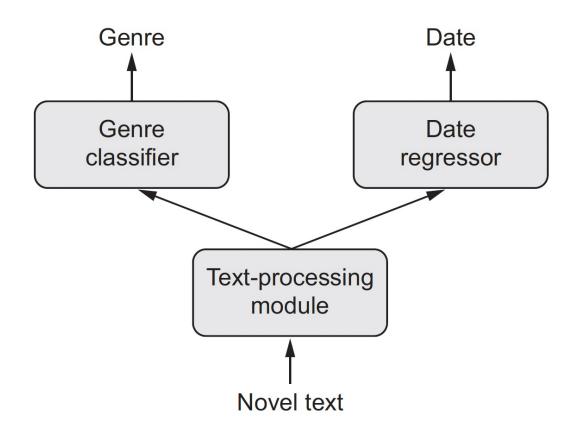
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#### **Multiple Targets**

- Multiple target models consist of a model which has a task to predict multiple target attributes of input data
- Example: Given the text of a novel or short story, goal to
  - Classify the text by genre
  - Predict the data the text was written
- One could train two separate models:
  - One for the genre, and
  - One for the date
- Attributes are not statistically independent correlations between genre and date
- Could build better models by learning jointly the prediction of genre and date at the same time
- Joint models have multiple targets

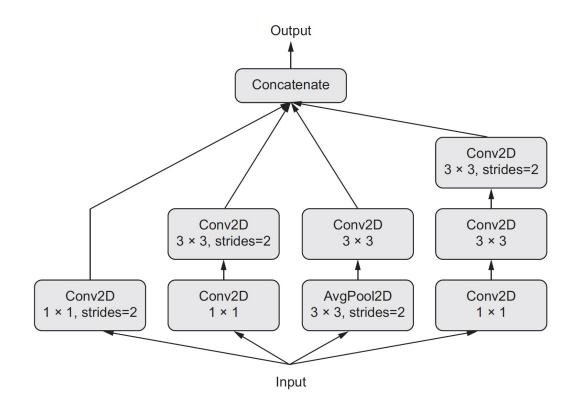




Visualization of an example of a multiple target model for classifying a text by genre and simultaneously predict the date the text was written

## **Nonlinear Network Topology – Acyclic Graphs**

- Example of nonlinear network topology: inception family (developed by Szegedy et al. at Google)
- The Inception family relies on Inception modules
- In Inception modules, the input is processed by several parallel convolutional branches whose outputs are then merged back into a single tensor

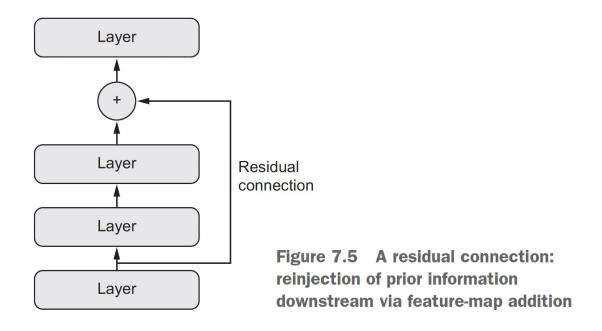


Visualization of an inception module: a subgraph of layers with several parallel convolutional branches



#### Nonlinear Network Topology – Residual Connection

- Residual connection consist of reinjecting previous representations into the downstream flow of data by adding a past output tensor to a later output tensor
- Residual connection helps to prevent information loss along the data-processing flow



Visualization of a residual connection example



## **Sequential vs Functional API**

```
from keras.models import Sequential, Model
from keras import layers
from keras import Input

seq_model = Sequential()

seq_model.add(layers.Dense(32, activation='relu', input_shape=(64,)))
seq_model.add(layers.Dense(32, activation='relu'))
seq_model.add(layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax'))
```

Representation of the Sequential API in Keras

Representation of the Functional API in Keras



#### **Functional API**

- In the functional API:
  - ❖ we directly manipulate tensors and
  - ❖ we use **layers as functions** that take tensors and return tensors

- New part is instantiating a Model object using only an input and an output tensor
- Behind the scenes, the Model object retrieves every layer involved in going from input tensor to output tensor
- Model object brings all layer together into a graph like structure
- The output tensor is obtained by repeatedly transforming input tensors
- RuntimeError stands for the case, we want to train a model, that cannot relate inputs and outputs



## **Multi-input models**

- Functional API can be used to build models that have multiple inputs
- In multiple-input models the different branches must be merged at some point
- A layer is used to combine several tensors
- In keras the merge operations are done with
  - Keras.layers.add
  - Keras.layers.concatentate
  - **\*** ....



#### **Example Multi-Input Model**

Typical Example: Question-Answering Model:

- Two inputs: a natural-language question and a text snippet
- Output: Answer

The two inputs **provide information** to be used for answering the question

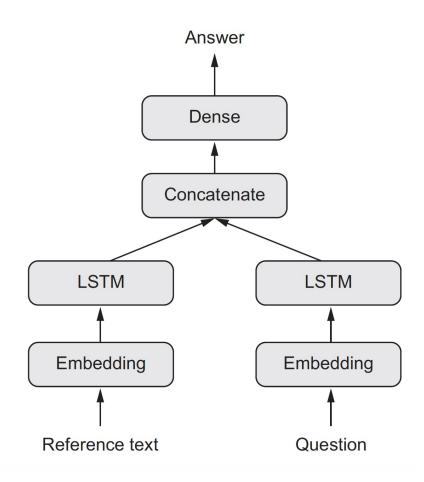
Model must produce an answer

Simplest answer can be obtained via softmax over som predfined vocabulary

#### **Deep Learning Setup:**

- Set up two independent branches encoding the two inputs
- Concatenate these vectors
- 3. Softmax classifier



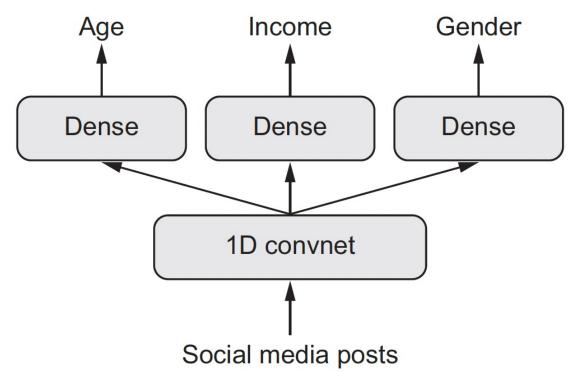


Visualization of an answer and question model

#### **Multi-Output Models**

- We can use the functional API the same way to build modles with multiple outputs
- Network that attempts to simultaneously predict different properties of the data
- Example:
  - Input: Social Media Post single anonymous person
  - Ouput: Age, Gender and Income Level

unterschiedliche Grössenordnungnen (Alter 10er vs Income 1'000er) Skalierbarkeit wird schwieriger



Visualization of multi head model, where age, income and gender are predicted from social media posts



#### **Multi-Output Models**

#### Important:

Training such a model requires the ability to specify different loss functions for different heads (outputs) of the network gemeinsame Verlustfunktion

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#### Example:

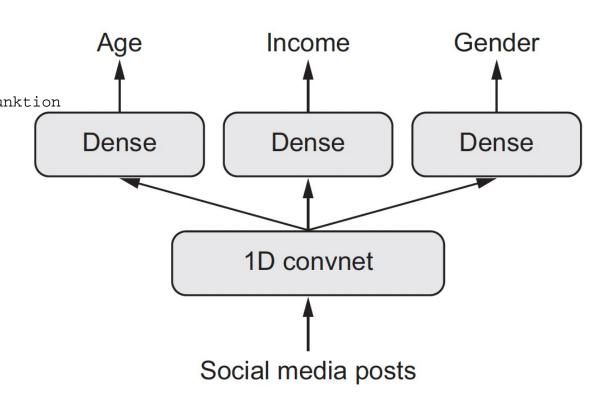
- Age prediction Scalar Regression
- Income prediction Scalar Regression
- Gender prediction Binary Classification

**Gradient Descent** requires you to minimize a **scalar** 

Gradient Descent requires we combine the losses to a single value in order to train the model

Simplest Combination: **Sum** of the different losses





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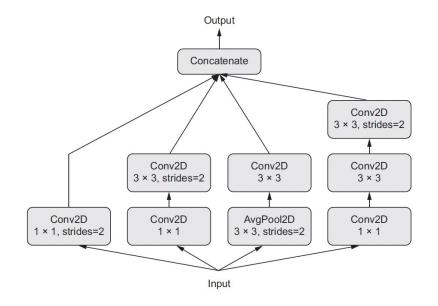
#### **Loss Function in Multi-Output Model**

- Gradient Descent requires you to minimize a scalar
- Gradient Descent requires we combine the losses to a single value in order to train the model
- Simplest Combination: Sum of the different losses
- In **Keras**: the losses will specify in a list or a dictionary of losses
- Loss values are summed into a global loss
- Very imbalanced loss contributions will cause the model representation to be optimized preferentially for the task with the largest individual loss
- Optimization of the loss will be done at the expense of the other tasks
- Solution: Assign different levels of importance to the loss values in their contribution to the final loss
- Useful solution for the case where the losses' values use different scales



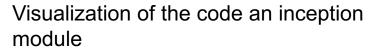
#### **Directed Acyclic Graphs of Layers**

- With the functional API more complex models as inception modules or residual connections can be built
- For further information we refer to the book of Chollet (2018)



Visualization of an inception module

```
Every branch has the same stride value (2).
                                                           In this branch, the striding occurs
which is necessary to keep all branch outputs
                                                             in the spatial convolution layer.
the same size so you can concatenate them.
     from keras import layers
     branch_a = layers.Conv2D(128, 1,
                                activation='relu', strides=2)(x)
     branch b = layers.Conv2D(128, 1, activation='relu')(x)
     branch_b = layers.Conv2D(128, 3, activation='relu', strides=2)(branch_b)
     branch_c = layers.AveragePooling2D(3, strides=2)(x)
     branch_c = layers.Conv2D(128, 3, activation='relu')(branch_c)
     branch_d = layers.Conv2D(128, 1, activation='relu')(x)
     branch_d = layers.Conv2D(128, 3, activation='relu')(branch_d)
     branch_d = layers.Conv2D(128, 3, activation='relu', strides=2)(branch_d)
     output = layers.concatenate(
         [branch a, branch b, branch c, branch d], axis=-1) <-
                                                                        Concatenates the
                                                                        branch outputs to
  In this branch, the striding occurs
                                                                        obtain the module
  in the average pooling layer.
                                                                        output
```





## Layer weight sharing

- Important feature of the functional API: ability to reuse a layer instance several times
- When we call a layer instance twice, instead of instantiating a new layer for each call, you reuse the same weight with every call

```
Reihenfolge der Layers A / B ist irrelevant
```

- Reuse of a layer instance allow to build models with shared branches several branches that share the same knowledge and perform the same operations
- Reuse of a layer instance share the same representations and learn these representations simultaneously for different sets of inputs



#### **Example Layer Weight Sharing**

- Consider a model that attempts to assess the semantic similarity between two sentences
- Model has two inputs the two sentences to compare
- Output: Score between 0 and 1, where 0 means unrelated and 1 means sentences that are either identical or reformulations of each other
- The two input sentences are interchangeable semantic similarity is a symmetrical relationship
- Similarity A to B is identical to the similarity of B to A
- The symmetrical relationship explains why it would not make sense to learn two independent models
- More Sense to process both Inputs with a single LSTM layer
- The representations of this LSTM (its weights) are learned based on both inputs simultaneously
- In this case we speak from a Siamese LSTM model or shared LSTM

```
Instantiates a single
  from keras import layers
                                         LSTM layer, once
  from keras import Input
  from keras.models import Model
                                                   Building the left branch of the
                                                   model: inputs are variable-length
  lstm = layers.LSTM(32)
                                                   sequences of vectors of size 128.
  left input = Input(shape=(None, 128))
  left_output = lstm(left_input)
                                                     Building the right branch of the model:
                                                     when you call an existing layer
  right_input = Input(shape=(None, 128))
                                                     instance, you reuse its weights.
  right output = lstm(right input)
  merged = layers.concatenate([left output, right output], axis=-1)
  predictions = layers.Dense(1, activation='sigmoid') (merged)
  model = Model([left_input, right_input], predictions)
  model.fit([left_data, right_data], targets)
                                      Instantiating and training the model: when you
Builds the classifier on top
                                    train such a model, the weights of the LSTM layer
                                                 are updated based on both inputs.
```

Visualization of a code example of layer weight sharing



#### Models as Layers

- In the functional API, models can be used as you would use layers
- Models can be thought as a "bigger layer"
- When you call a model instance, you are reusing the weights of the model – exactly like what happens when you call a layer instance
- Calling an instance, whether it is a layer instance or a model instance, will always reuse the existing learned representations of the instance

```
from keras import layers
                                                           The base image-processing
from keras import applications
                                                        model is the Xception network
from keras import Input
                                                            (convolutional base only).
xception_base = applications.Xception(weights=None,
                                           include_top=False) <-</pre>
left_input = Input(shape=(250, 250, 3))
                                                       The inputs are 250 \times 250
right_input = Input(shape=(250, 250, 3))
                                                       RGB images.
left features = xception base(left input)
                                                       Calls the same vision
right_input = xception_base(right_input)
                                                       model twice
merged features = layers.concatenate(
    [left features, right input], axis=-1)
                                                         The merged features contain
                                                         information from the right visual
                                                         feed and the left visual feed.
```

- Practical example of model reuse: Vision model that uses a dual camera as its input: two parallel cameras, a few centimeters (one inch) apart
- Such an example allows to perceive the depth
- We do not need two independent models to extract visual features from the left camera and the right camera before merging the two feeds
- Such low-level processing can be shared across the two inputs – the sharing is done via layers that use the same weights and thus share the same representations

Visualization of a code example of model sharing



## **Multiple Inputs and Multiple Outputs**

In the case of multiple inputs and mulitple output tensors, the model should be calles with a list of tensors

For example:  $y_1, y_2 = model([x_1, x_2])$ 



#### Conclusion

- With the functional API you can produce the same results as with Sequential API, however functional API allows you to produce more complex models
- With the functional API you can build models with several inputs, outputs and complex internal network topology
- With the functional API you can reuse the weights of a layer or model across different processing branches



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