

# 1 Structure of CNN

In this tutorial, we will employ CNN to solve the classification problem. First, we will give a brief introduction about MNIST dataset. Next, the convolutional layer, pooling layer, flatten layer, and fully connected layer will be introduced.

## 1.1 MNIST Dataset

[MNIST Dataset](#) is a database of handwritten digits, which has a training set of 60,000 examples, and a test set of 10,000 examples. Each example in the MNIST is a  $28 \times 28$  image.

In this section, we will choose 2,000 images as our training set, and 500 images as our test set. The shape of the training and test set will be:

- $X_{\text{train}}.\text{shape} = (2000, 784) \rightarrow (2000, 1, 28, 28)$
- $X_{\text{test}}.\text{shape} = (500, 784) \rightarrow (500, 1, 28, 28)$
- $y_{\text{train}}.\text{shape} = (2000, 1)$      $y_{\text{train\_ohe}}.\text{shape} = (2000, 10)$
- $y_{\text{test}}.\text{shape} = (500, 1)$      $y_{\text{test\_ohe}}.\text{shape} = (500, 10)$

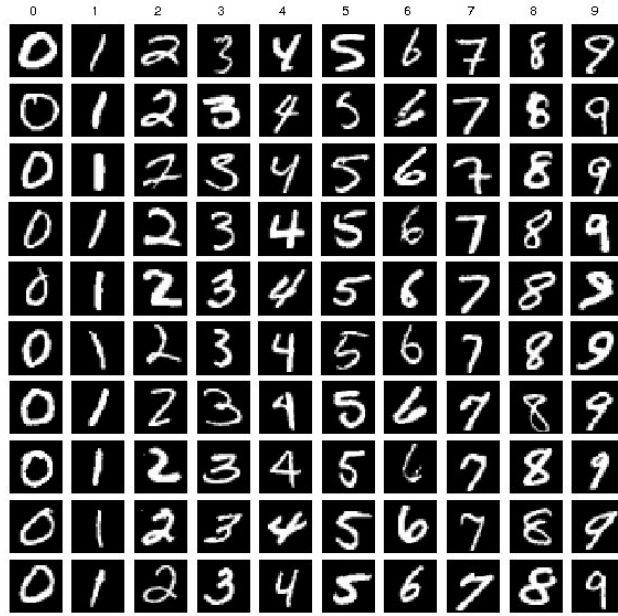


Figure 1: MNIST Dataset.

## 1.2 Convolutional Layer

Assume the size of the input image is  $H \times W$ , then the size of the output image after passing the convolutional layer will be

$$\begin{aligned} H' &= \frac{H - F_H + 2P_H}{S_{\text{conv}}} + 1 \\ W' &= \frac{W - F_W + 2P_W}{S_{\text{conv}}} + 1 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $F_H$  is the height for filter,  $F_W$  is the width for filter,  $S_{\text{conv}}$  is the stride size, and  $P$  is the padding size.

- Filter: Weights. In the training process, filters need to be updated.

- Stride is the number of pixels shifts over the input matrix. When the stride is 1 then we move the filters to 1 pixel at a time. When the stride is 2 then we move the filters to 2 pixels at a time and so on
- Padding is simply a process of adding layers of zeros to our input images

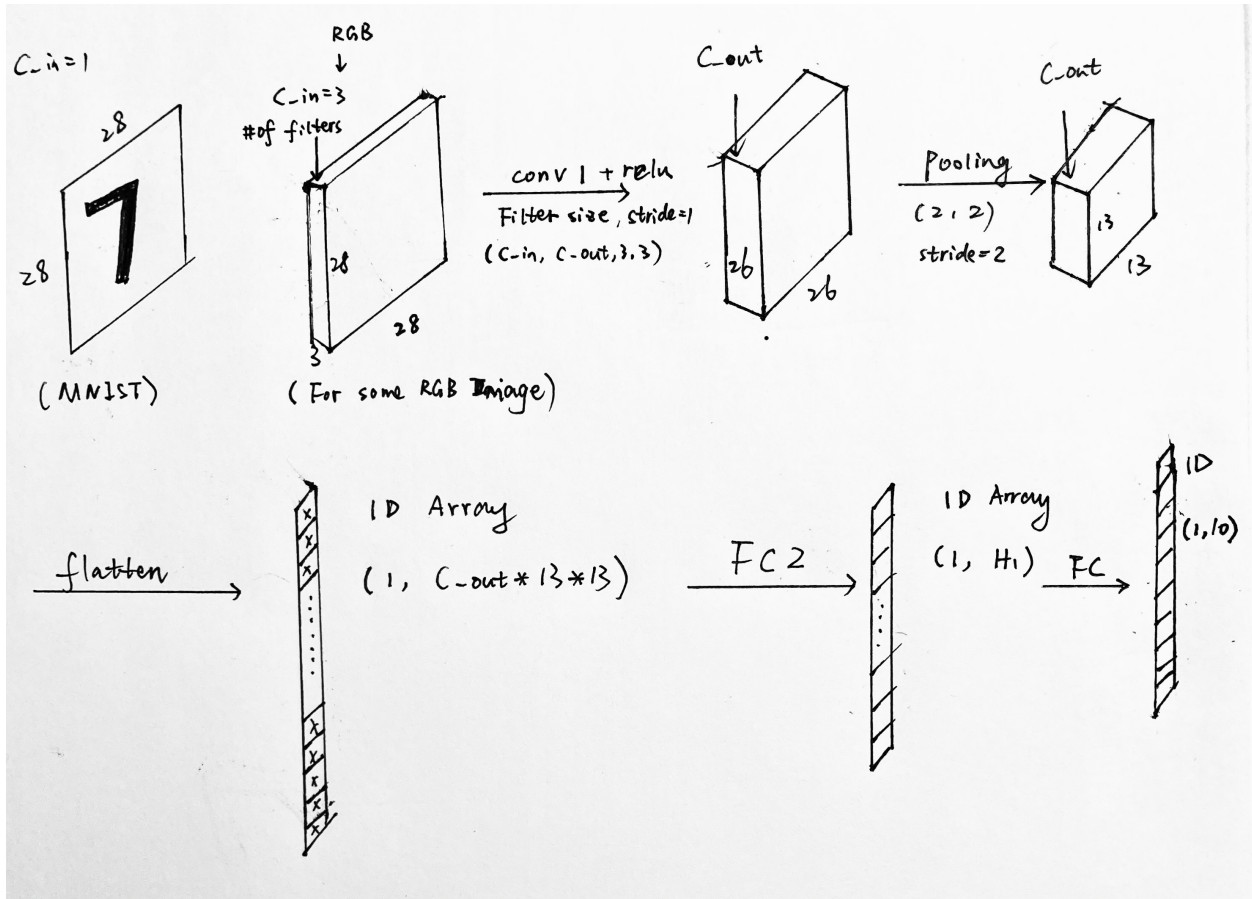


Figure 2: Illustration of 2D CNN. Assume the number of samples in the training set is  $N$ , then for MNIST dataset, the input will be a 4D array  $(N, C_{in}, 28, 28)$ . The training process will be:  $(N, C_{in}, 28, 28) \xrightarrow{\text{conv1}} (N, C_{out}, 26, 26) \xrightarrow{\text{pool1}} (N, C_{out}, 13, 13) \xrightarrow{\text{flatten}} (N, C_{out} * 13 * 13) \xrightarrow{\text{FC2}} (N, H_1) \xrightarrow{\text{FC}} (N, 10)$

### 1.3 Pooling Layer

Assume the size of the input image is  $H \times W$ , then the size of the output image after passing the pooling layer will be

$$\begin{aligned} H' &= \frac{H - \text{Poolsize}_H}{S_{\text{pool}}} + 1 \\ W' &= \frac{W - \text{Poolsize}_W}{S_{\text{pool}}} + 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

### 1.4 Flatten Layer

Flatten 3D array to 1D array

### 1.5 Fully connected Layer

Fully connected layer is actually a hidden layer in the ANN.