Convolutional Neural Networks

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Outline

Recap: Neural Networks and Training

- MLPs are **parameterized** function $f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$, where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\boldsymbol{W}^\ell, \boldsymbol{b}^\ell\}$:
  - Forward Propagation (biases omitted): Start with $\boldsymbol{x}^0 = \boldsymbol{x}$

$$\boldsymbol{z}^\ell = \boldsymbol{W}^\ell \boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1}, \quad \forall \ell \in \{0, 1, 2, \ldots, L\}$$
$$\boldsymbol{x}^\ell = \phi(\boldsymbol{z}^\ell),$$

  - Backward Propagation (biases omitted): Start with $d\boldsymbol{z}^L = (\boldsymbol{x}^L - \boldsymbol{y}) \odot \phi'(\boldsymbol{z}^L)$

$$d\boldsymbol{z}^\ell = \left[(\boldsymbol{W}^{\ell+1})^\top d\boldsymbol{z}^{\ell+1}\right] \odot \phi'(\boldsymbol{z}^\ell), \quad \forall \ell \in \{1, 2, \ldots, L-1\}$$
$$d\boldsymbol{W}^\ell = d\boldsymbol{z}^\ell \boldsymbol{x}^{(\ell-1)\top}$$

- The training involves solving an **optimization** problem to iteratively update the $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \quad \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i), \boldsymbol{y}_i) := R_S(f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}),$$

  where ℓ is a **loss** function and $\mathcal{S} := \{\boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{y}_i\}_{i=1}^{\ell}$ is a **training set**.
- This optimization problem can be solved using **gradient**-based methods such as *(stochastic) gradient descent (SGD)*, *gradient descent with momentum*, *RMSProp*, *Adam*, etc:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^+ = \boldsymbol{\theta} - \eta \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^+,$$

  where $\eta > 0$ is a **learning rate** and $\boldsymbol{v}$ is a **search direction**.

Recap: Generalization and Regularization

- **Model complexity trade-off**: The expected risk $R(f_S) = \mathbb{E}_{(\boldsymbol{x},\boldsymbol{y})\sim\mathcal{D}}\ell(f_S(\boldsymbol{x}), \boldsymbol{y})$ is upper bounded:

$$R(f_S) \leq R_S(f_S) + \mathfrak{R}_S(\mathcal{H}) + \tilde{\mathcal{O}}(n^{-1}).$$

- **Bias-Variance trade-off**: The expectation of $R(f_S)$ over random sample S is decomposed as:

$$\mathbb{E}_S[R(f_S)] = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_S(f_S - \bar{f})^2}_{\text{Variance term}} + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}}(\bar{f} - f^*)^2}_{\text{Bias term}} + \underbrace{R(f^*)}_{\text{irreducible}}$$

  where $\bar{f} := \mathbb{E}_S[f_S]$ and f^* is the optimal hypothesis.
- **Regularization**: Weight decay, dropout regularization, and stochastic weight averaging
- **Hyperparameter tune**: Validation set, random search, log scale
- **Overparameterization**: Double descent, flat minimum, implicit regularization

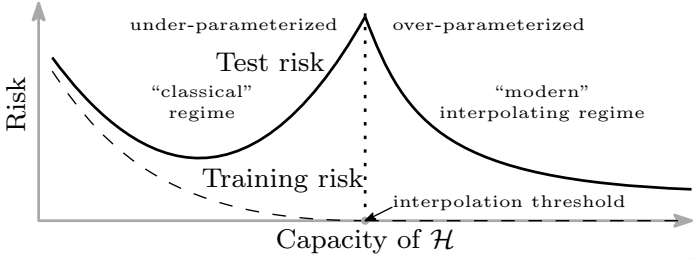

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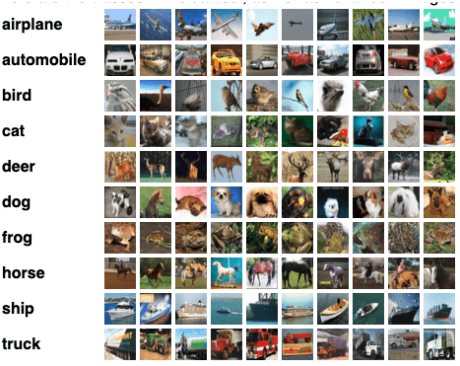
Image Classification

- **Input**: An image
- **Output**: Cat? Binary classification (0 or 1).

Multiple Classification: Softmax

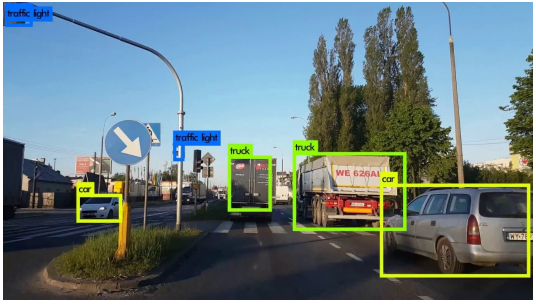


- **Input**: An image
- **Output**: Class label $\{0, 1, 2, \cdots, 9\}$.
- **Softmax**: Converts a vector $\boldsymbol{z}$ of **logits** into probability distribution across classes

$$\text{Softmax}(\boldsymbol{z}_i) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{z}_i}}{\sum_{j=1}^{C} e^{\boldsymbol{z}_j}},$$

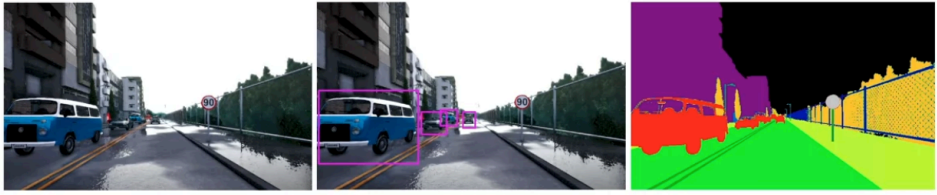
where C is the number of classes.

Object Detection



- **Input**: An image
- **Outputs**:
  - Class label
  - **Bounding box**: $[x_{\min}, y_{\min}, x_{\max}, y_{\max}]$
  - Confidence scores: A probability or confidence score between 0 and 1.

Semantic Segmentation



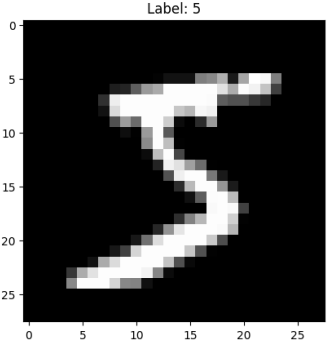
Input image | Object Detection | Semantic Segmentation

- **Input**: An image
- **Outputs**:
  - A **pixel-wise** classification map
  - Each pixel is assigned a **class label**
  - The output is the same spatial size as the input image

Neural Style Transfer

- **Input**: Content image, style image
- **Output**: Generated image

Challenges in Image Data: High Dimensionality

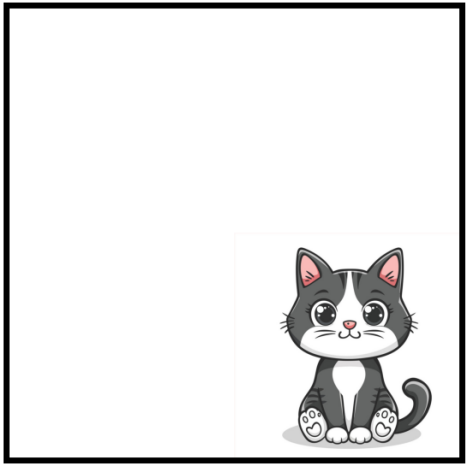


$28 \times 28 \times 1 = 784$

$1099 \times 733 \times 3 \approx 2.5$ million pixels

- For MNIST data, a two-layer MLP with width 1000 has about **1 million** trainable parameters, taking roughly **4 MB** of memory in float32.
- For a high-resolution RGB image, a two-layer MLP with width 1000 needs about **3 billion** parameters (roughly **12.6 GB** in float32). Training can take 3× more due to gradient states.
- The limited *computational cost* makes training challenging.

Translation Invariance in Images



Key Insight

Image features (edges, textures, or objects) can appear **anywhere** in the image, but they retain the same meaning regardless of their position. This is known as **translation invariance**.

Importance of Spatial Structure in Images

Key Insight

The **spatial structure** and local connectivity of pixels define an image's recognizable features. When the spatial arrangement is disrupted, the image loses its recognizable form.

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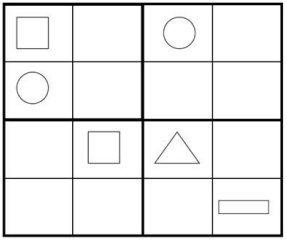
Filters and Edge Detection in Image Processing

Filter: Filters are small matrices that are used to **detect** certain patterns, such as edges, textures, or other important features from the input data.



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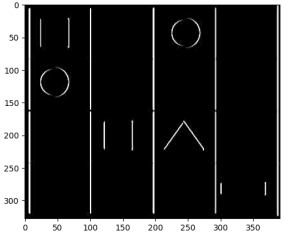

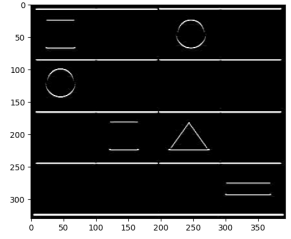

Convolution Operation

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- If the input image is $n \times n$ and the filter size is $f \times f$, then the output feature map has size $(n - f + 1) \times (n - f + 1)$.

Padding

Define: Padding refers to adding extra pixels (usually *zeros*) around the input data to control the size of the output feature map.

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- **Preserving Spatial Dimensions**: Padding maintains the spatial dimensions in deeper neural networks.
- **Capture Edge information**: Padding prevents the loss of boundary information during convolution.
- **Controlling Output Size**: Padding helps ensure feature maps retain the required size for subsequent layers.
- The shape of feature map: $(n + 2p - f + 1) \times (n + 2p - f + 1)$.

"Valid" and "Same" Convolution

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- **Valid**: No padding, output size is $(n - f + 1) \times (n - f + 1)$.
- **Same**: Padding ensures the output has the same shape as the input, with output size $(n + 2p - f + 1) \times (n + 2p - f + 1)$.

$$n + 2p - f + 1 = n \quad \Longrightarrow \quad p = \frac{f - 1}{2}$$

Hence, generally, filters have **odd** dimensions, *e.g.*, 3×3 or 5×5.

Stride

Define: Stride in CNNs refers to the number of pixels by which the filter moves across the input during convolution, affecting the output size by skipping certain positions.

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- **Control Output Size:** Larger stride results in a smaller feature map.
- **Computational Efficiency:** Larger strides require fewer convolution operations.
- **Output Feature Map Shape:**

$$\left\lfloor \frac{n+2p-f}{s} + 1 \right\rfloor \times \left\lfloor \frac{n+2p-f}{s} + 1 \right\rfloor,$$

where $\lfloor x \rfloor$ is the floor function, returning the largest integer less than or equal to x.

Simplified Convolutional Layer

- Let $\boldsymbol{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be the input image, and $\boldsymbol{F} \in \mathbb{R}^{f \times f}$ be the **trainable** filter.
- The convolutional layer is defined as:

$$\boldsymbol{Z} = \boldsymbol{X} * \boldsymbol{F} + \boldsymbol{b}, \quad \boldsymbol{A} = \mathrm{ReLU}(\boldsymbol{Z})$$

where:

- $\boldsymbol{b} \in \mathbb{R}$ is the **bias** term added to each element in $\boldsymbol{Z}$.
- $\boldsymbol{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-f+1) \times (n-f+1)}$ represents the **pre-activation values**, assuming no padding and a stride of 1.

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Key Observation

While MLPs use explicit weight matrices, CNNs use **filters** that serve the role of weight matrices, learning specific features directly from the data.

Neurons in CNNs

- We can represent the input image $\boldsymbol{X}$ and filter $\boldsymbol{F}$ as vector forms, $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times 1}$ and $\boldsymbol{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{f^2 \times 1}$, by stacking their entries:

$$\boldsymbol{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}_1 & \cdots & \boldsymbol{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \implies \boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{x}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times 1}, \quad \text{and} \quad \boldsymbol{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{f}_1 & \cdots & \boldsymbol{f}_f \end{bmatrix} \implies \boldsymbol{w} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{f}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{f}_f \end{bmatrix} \in$$

- Thus, each convolution can be viewed as extracting a local receptive field using a *projection matrix* $\Pi_i \in \mathbb{R}^{f^2 \times n^2}$ to obtain $\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_i$, followed by an inner product with $\boldsymbol{w}$:

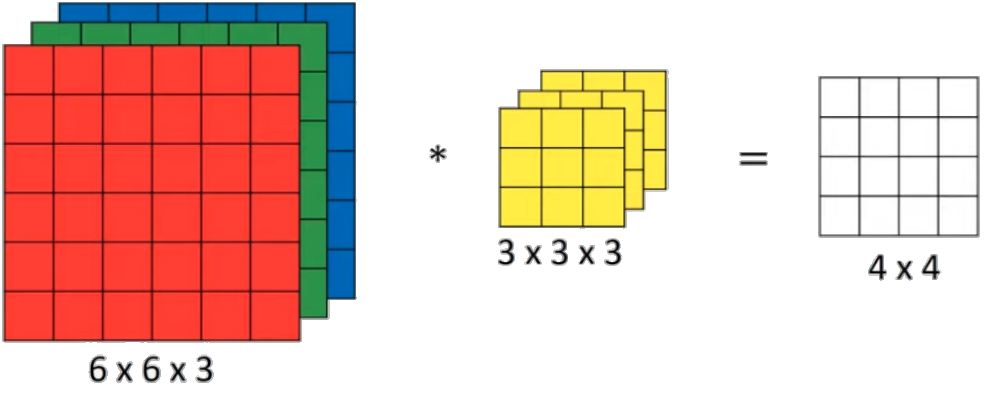
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_i = \Pi_i \boldsymbol{x}, \qquad \boldsymbol{z}_i = \boldsymbol{w}^\top \hat{\boldsymbol{x}}_i + b, \qquad \boldsymbol{a}_i = \mathrm{ReLU}(\boldsymbol{z}_i), \quad \forall i \in \left\{1, 2, \ldots, (n - f + 1)^2\right\}$$

Key Insights

- **Sharing:** Each neuron in a convolutional layer **shares** the same weights and bias across spatial locations, reducing the impact of high dimensionality.
- **Sparsity:** Each output depends only on a **locally** small portion of the input.

Convolution Over Volumes

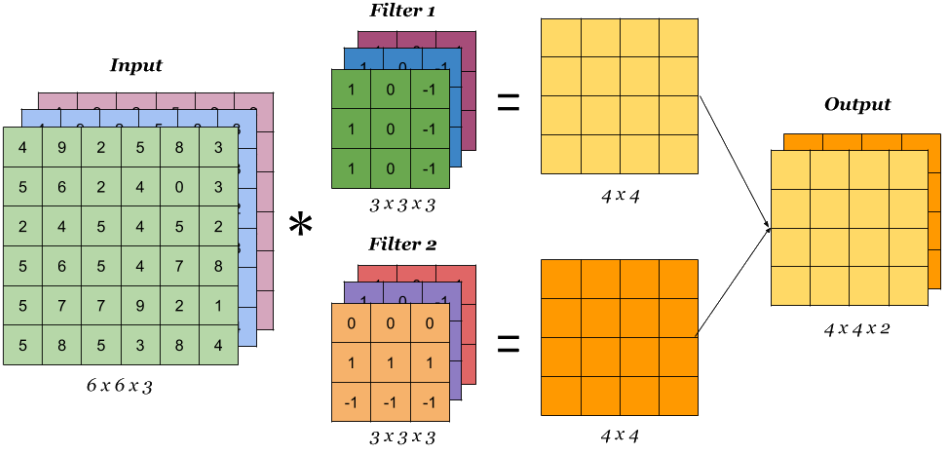
- The input can have **multiple** channels (e.g., an RGB image), and the filter must have the **same** number of channels to properly apply the convolution operation, which performs a *locally linear transformation*.
- The filter has size $n_H \times n_W \times n_C$



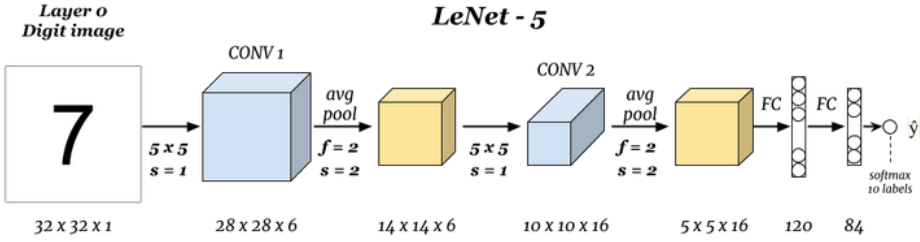
Andrew Ng, "Convolutional Neural Networks". Coursera.

Convolution with Multiple Filters

- **Multiple** filters can be used in a convolution layer to detect multiple features.

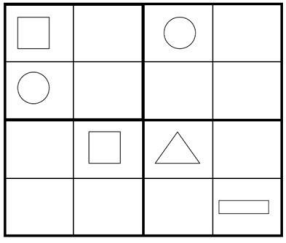


Simple CNN Example



- The output of CNN is **flattened** into a vector
- The flattened vector serves as the input to a **fully connected layer**
- In CNN design, feature maps typically shrink in spatial size while channels increase as depth grows.

Feature Map as an Indicator



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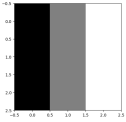
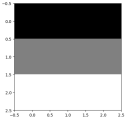
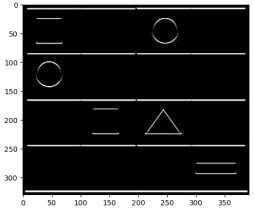




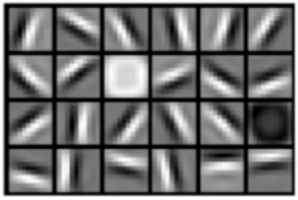
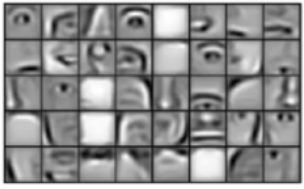


The feature map highlights where certain patterns are detected

- Filters are learned **patterns** obtained through training.
- Convolution acts as a **detector**, checking if the current patch resembles the filter pattern.
- Each entry in the feature map **indicates** whether that pattern appears in that specific region.
- Multiple filters combine **hierarchically** to form more complex and abstract patterns.

Hierarchical Feature Detection

Feature map as an **indicator** map: The output feature map highlights detected patterns, with higher values indicating matched regions.


- **Early Layers**: Detect basic elements like edges and textures, forming the foundation for more complex patterns.
- **Middle Layers**: Combine edges into shapes (e.g., circles, squares) by recognizing the arrangement of basic features.
- **Deeper Layers**: Recognize object parts by detecting combinations of shapes and features.
- **Final Layers**: Detect entire objects by assembling recognized parts, outputting a classification or region of interest.

Lee, et al. "Convolutional deep belief networks for scalable unsupervised learning of hierarchical representations." ICML 2009

Summary of Convolutional Neural Networks

- **Challenges:** High dimensionality, translation invariance, and spatial structure
- **Filters:** Small, **trainable** matrices that detect features in the input data.
- **Convolution Operation:** A **locally linear transformation** that creates a feature map, emphasizing regions where the filter matches the pattern.
- **Padding and Stride:** Methods for controlling feature map size, preserving spatial dimensions, and improving *computational efficiency*.
- **Convolution Over Volumes:** Designed to process multi-channel inputs like RGB images with filters that **match** each channel.
- **Multiple Filters:** A single convolutional layer can use **multiple** filters to detect various features simultaneously.
- **Weight Sharing and Sparsity:** Neurons in CNNs **share** weights across locations, with each output relying on a **small, localized** input region.
- **Hierarchical Feature Detection:** Early layers capture basic features (like edges), which later layers combine into higher-level features.

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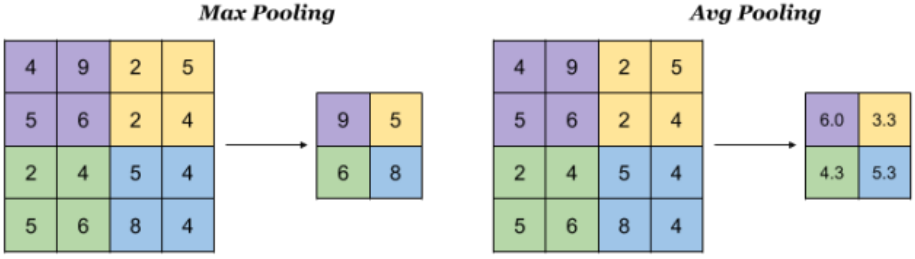
Pooling

Define: The pooling layer in CNNs reduces spatial dimensions of feature maps through downsampling, commonly using max or average pooling operations.



- Pooling helps reduce the computational load
- It also enhances **robustness** by making the network less sensitive to small spatial variations.
- Common hyperparameters: pool size f and stride s, typically $f = s = 2$.

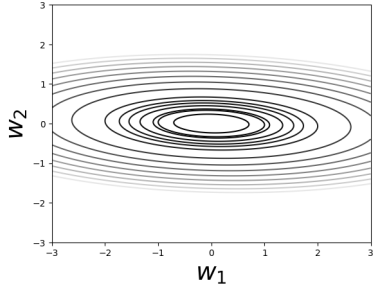
Recap: Input Normalization

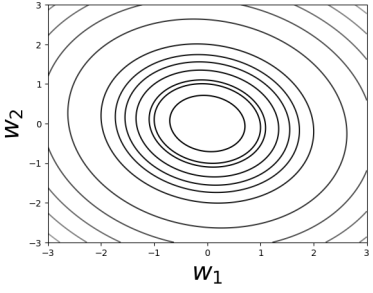
- Normalize the inputs using **training set**:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\boldsymbol{x}_i, \qquad \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(\boldsymbol{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^2, \qquad \bar{\boldsymbol{x}}_i = (\boldsymbol{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})/\boldsymbol{\sigma},$$

  where all operations are taken element-wise.

- Consider a binary classification problem using linear model: $f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(x) = \boldsymbol{w}^\top \boldsymbol{x} = w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2$
  - if $x_1 = \mathcal{O}(100)$ and $x_2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$, to have output $f_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \mathcal{O}(1)$, we must have $w_1 = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{100}\right)$ and $w_2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$.
  - After normalization, $\bar{x}_1 = \mathcal{O}(1)$ and $\bar{x_2} = \mathcal{O}(1)$, so we have $w_1 = \mathcal{O}(1)\,1$ and $w_2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$.





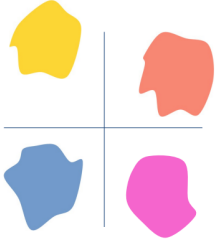
- At test time, apply $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ from **training** to test set.

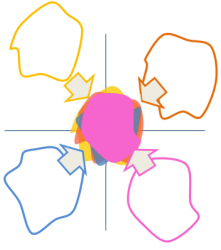
Batch Normalization

- Given an input $\boldsymbol{x}$, the forward propagation in DNNs:

$$\boldsymbol{z}^{\ell} = \boldsymbol{W}^{\ell}\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1}, \quad \boldsymbol{a}^{\ell} = \phi(\boldsymbol{z}^{\ell}) \quad \forall \ell \in [L].$$

  where $\boldsymbol{x}^0 = \boldsymbol{x}$ is the input image.
- We can apply the same normalization from the input layer to each hidden layer to speed up the training.
- Additionally, as we train DNNs using mini-batch rather than full batch, **internal covariance shift** in *mini-batches*. Hence, the normalization is applied on the mini-batch rather the full batches.





Batch Normalization During Training

Given a mini-batch $\{\boldsymbol{z}^1, \ldots, \boldsymbol{z}^b\}$ for a hidden layer:

- Normalize the **pre-activation** to mean zero and variance one:

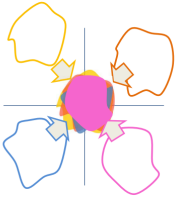
$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \frac{1}{b}\sum_{i=1}^{b} \boldsymbol{z}^i, \qquad \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{b}\sum_{i=1}^{b} (\boldsymbol{z}^i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^2, \qquad \boldsymbol{z}^i_{\text{norm}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{z}^i - \boldsymbol{\mu}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 + \varepsilon}}$$

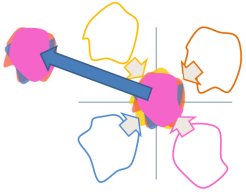
  where $\varepsilon > 0$ ensures numerical stability.

- Re-scale and shift using learnable parameters:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}^i = \boldsymbol{\gamma} \boldsymbol{z}^i_{\text{norm}} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

  where $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$ and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ are **learnable** parameters.





- $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$ and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ enable identity transformation, allowing flexibility:

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma} = \sqrt{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 + \varepsilon}, \qquad \boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

Batch Normalization at Test Time

- **Training Phase:** For each mini-batch, compute batch statistics and update the normalized output:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{batch}} = \frac{1}{b}\sum_{i=1}^{b} \boldsymbol{z}^i, \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{batch}} = \frac{1}{b}\sum_{i=1}^{b} (\boldsymbol{z}^i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{batch}})^2, \quad \boldsymbol{z}^i_{\text{norm}} = \frac{\boldsymbol{z}^i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{batch}}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{batch}} + \varepsilon}}, \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}^i = \boldsymbol{\gamma}\boldsymbol{z}^i_{\text{norm}} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

- **Running Statistics:** After each mini-batch, update the running mean and variance:

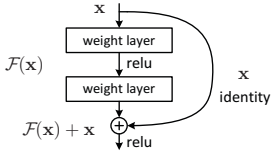
$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{run}} = (1-\alpha)\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{run}} + \alpha\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{batch}}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{run}} = (1-\alpha)\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{run}} + \alpha\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{batch}}$$

- **Test Phase:** Normalize using running statistics and apply scale and shift:

$$\boldsymbol{z}_{\text{test}} \leftarrow \frac{\boldsymbol{z}_{\text{test}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\text{run}}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2_{\text{run}} + \varepsilon}}, \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{z}}_{\text{test}} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\gamma}\boldsymbol{z}_{\text{test}} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Skip Connections

Define: A skip connection is a shortcut in a DNN that adds the input directly to the output.



- In MLPs, forward propagation without skip connections (omitting biases):

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell} = \phi(\boldsymbol{W}^{\ell}\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1}) \approx \boldsymbol{W}^{\ell}\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1} \approx \boldsymbol{W}^{\ell} \cdots \boldsymbol{W}^{1}\boldsymbol{x}^{0} = \mathcal{O}\left(a^{\ell}\right)$$

  This results in an **exponential** growth or decay of information.

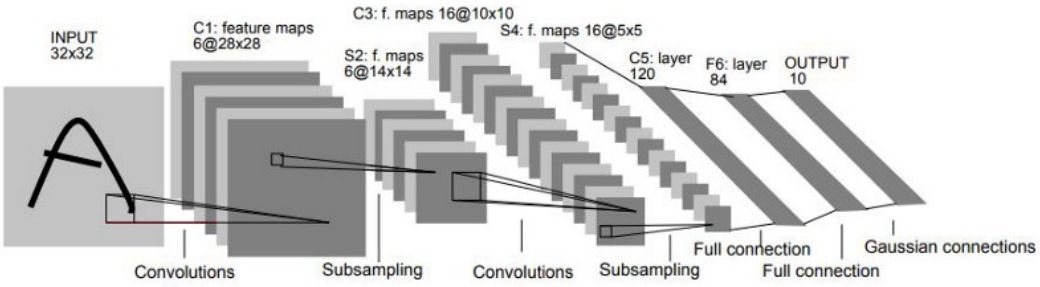
- With skip connections, the propagation becomes:

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell} = \phi(\boldsymbol{W}^{\ell}\boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1}) + \boldsymbol{x}^{\ell-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \boldsymbol{W}^{i}\boldsymbol{x}^{i-1} = \mathcal{O}\left(\ell\right)$$

  Here, **linear** growth of information is achieved, stabilizing the learning process.

Outline

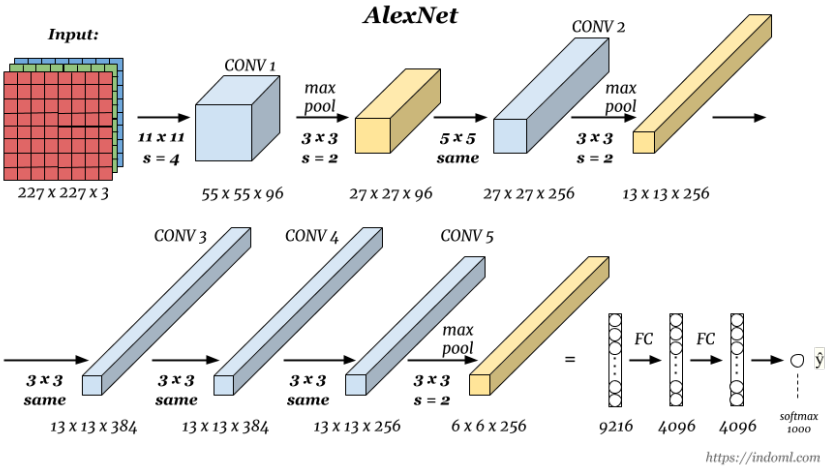
LeNet-5



- It has totally 5 weight layers: 2 Convolutional layers and 3 fully connected (FC) layers
- Sigmoid and $\tanh$ activations
- Average pooling
- Number of parameters: ~ 60 thousands.
- MNIST dataset: ~ 60 thousands.

LeCun, Y., et al. (1998). "Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition." Proc. of the IEEE

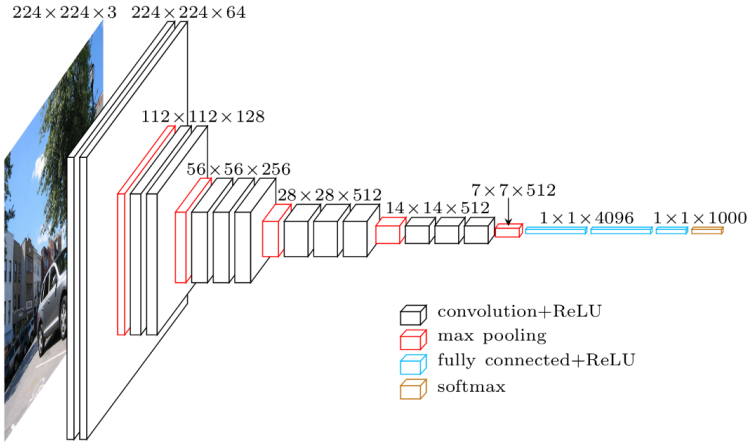
AlexNet



- 5 convolutional and 3 FC.
- ReLU activation and max pooling layers.
- Dropout regularization in FC layers.
- Number of parameters: $\sim$ 63 million.
- ImageNet dataset: $\sim$ 1.2 million images.

Krizhevsky, Alex, et al. "Imagenet classification with deep convolutional neural networks." NeurIPS 2012.

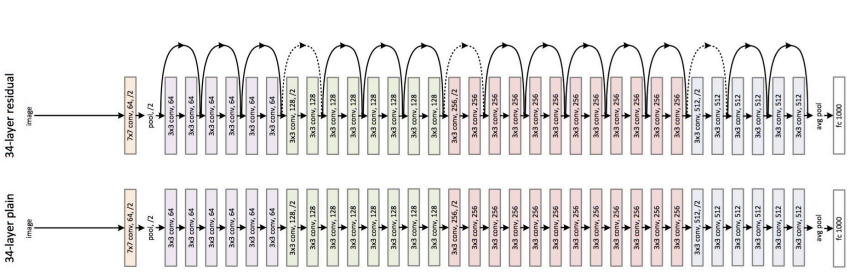
VGG-16

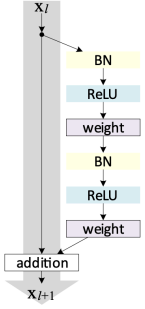


- 13 convolutional and 3 FC.
- *Unified* convolution and max-pooling setup: $f = 3$, $s = 1$, and "same"; $f = 2$ and $s = 2$
- ~ 138 million parameters trained on ImageNet

Simonyan, K., & Zisserman, A. "Very deep convolutional networks for large-scale image recognition." ICLR 2015.

ResNet-34





- Batch normalization and skip connections applied to pre-activation.
- ~ 11.7 million parameters trained on ImageNet.

He, Kaiming, et al. "Deep residual learning for image recognition." CVPR 2016.