

Deep Learning Basics

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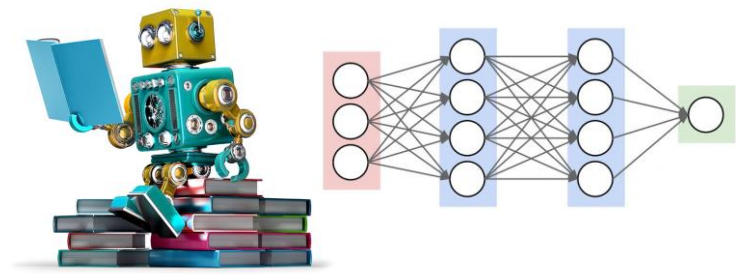
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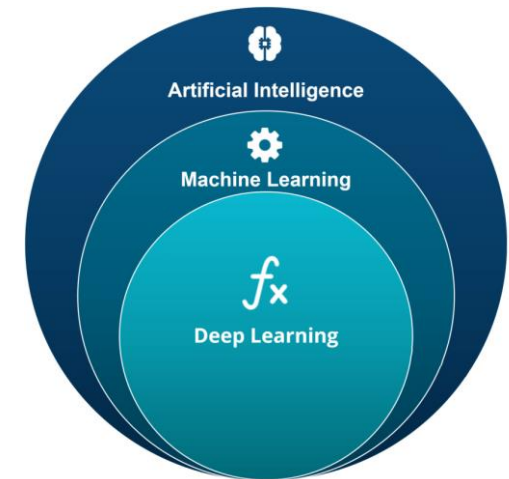
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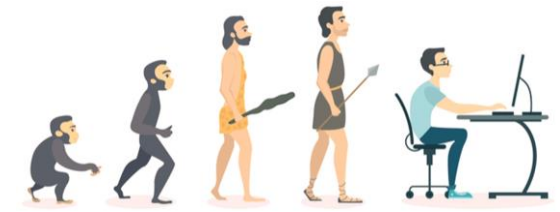
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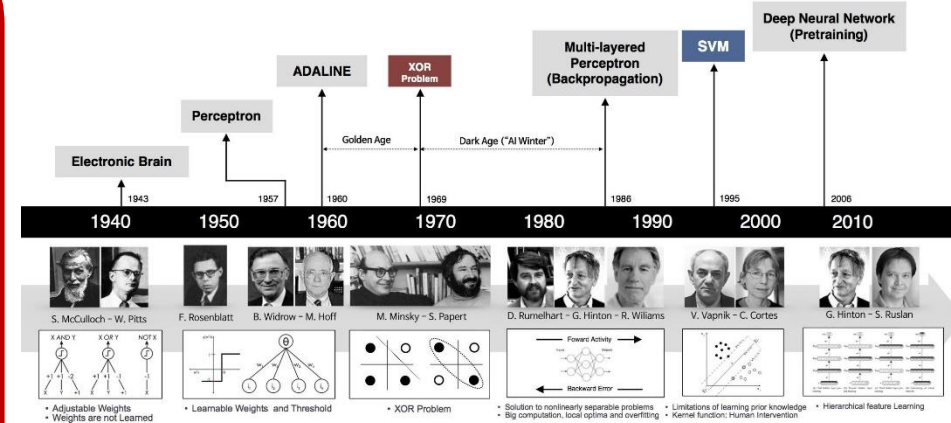
- Deep Learning 101
- Definitions and main Components
- Training Deep Neural Networks
- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)



Deep Learning – a bit of History



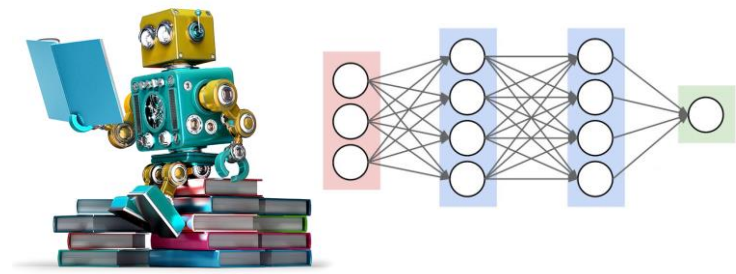
- 1943: Neural networks
- 1957: Perceptron
- 1974-86: Backpropagation, RBM, RNN
- 1989-98: CNN, MNIST, LSTM, Bidirectional RNN



- 2006: “Deep Learning”
- 2009: ImageNet
- 2012: AlexNet, Dropout
- 2014: GANs
- 2014: DeepFace

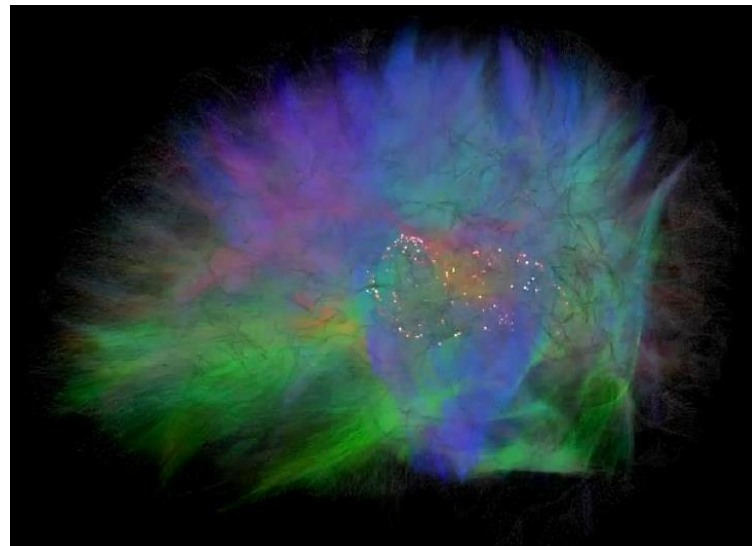
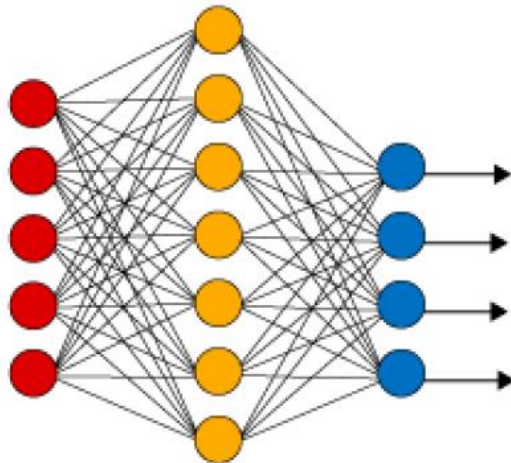
- 2016: AlphaGo
- 2017: AlphaZero, Capsule Networks (CapsNets)
- 2018: BERT transformers

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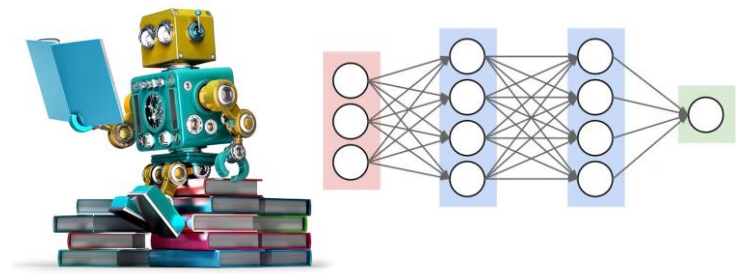
- What is Deep Learning (DL)?
- **Recall:** a feedforward network with a single layer is sufficient to represent (approximate) **any function...**
- ...but **the layer may be infeasibly large** and may fail to learn and generalize correctly...

Simple Neural Network



- Visualization of the human brain:
- **3% of the human brain neurons**
- **0.0001% of neural synapses**

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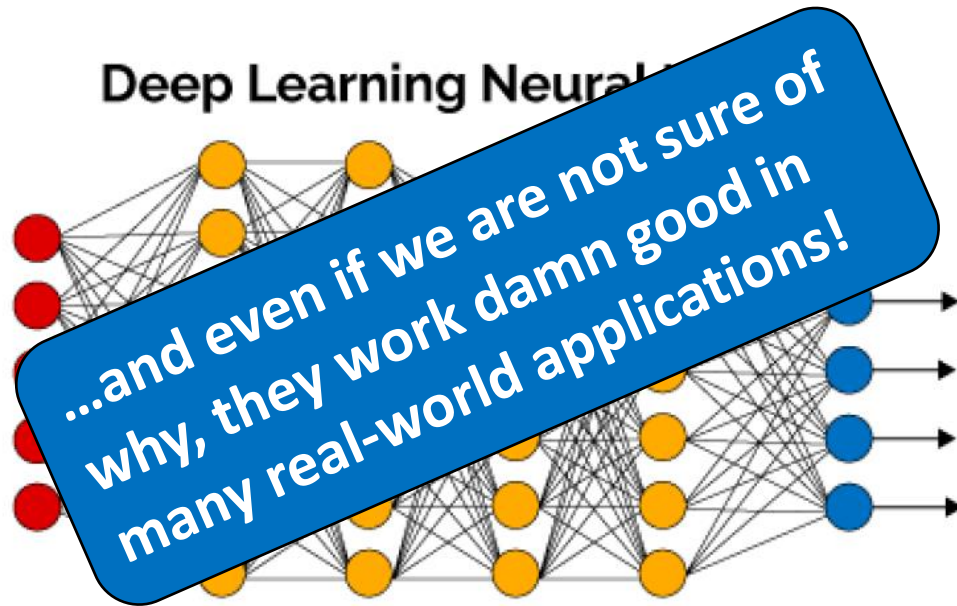
- What is Deep Learning (DL)?
- **In simple terms:** using a neural network with **several layers** of nodes between input and output.

- **Deep Neural Networks (DNNs):**

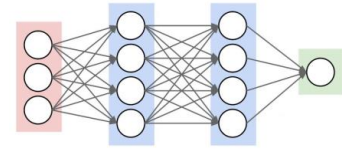
- exceptionally **effective at learning patterns.**

- **hierarchical structure...**

- ...can learn the hierarchies of **knowledge** that seem to be **useful in solving real-world problems...**

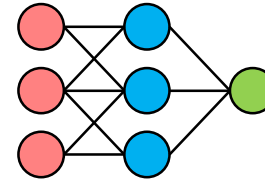


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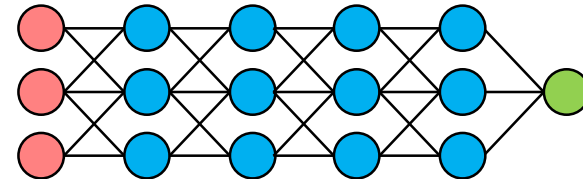


- hmmm...OK, but: multilayer neural networks have been around for 25 years. **What's actually new?**

- We have always had **good algorithms** to **learn the weights** in **networks with 1 hidden layer...**

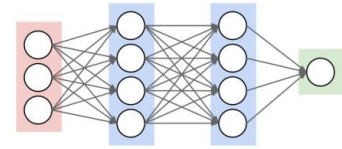


- ...but **these algorithms** are **not good** at learning the weights for **networks with more hidden layers**



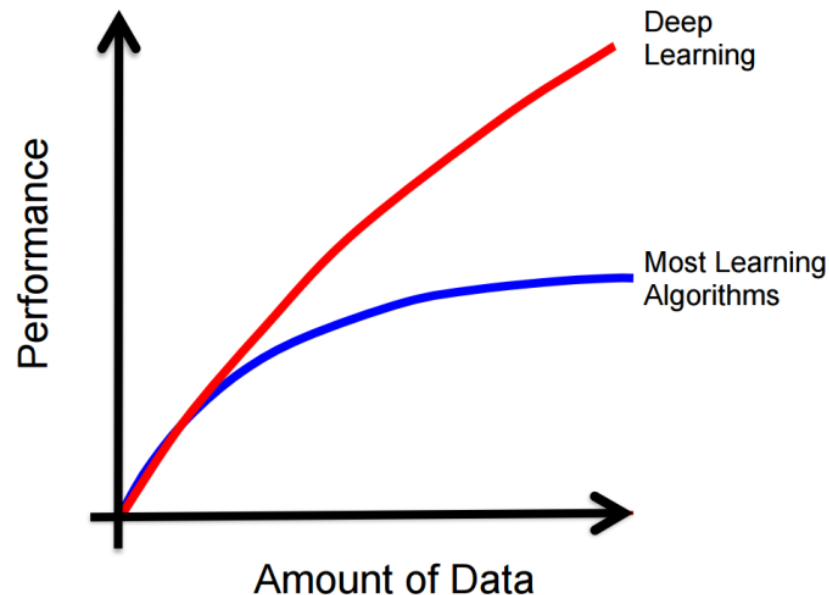
- **What's new is:** algorithms to **train many-layer networks**

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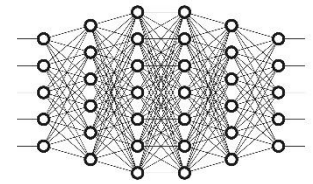


Exciting progress:

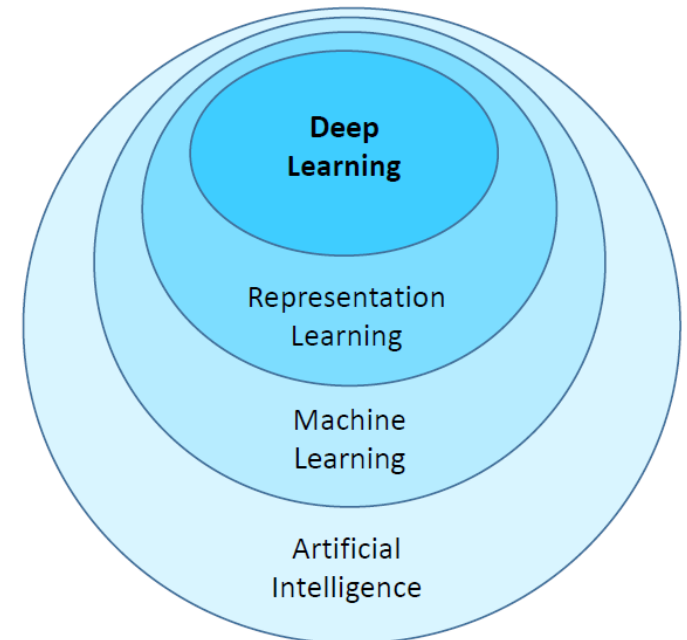
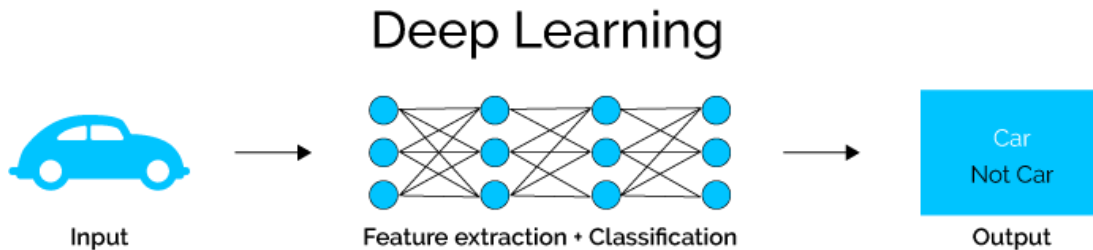
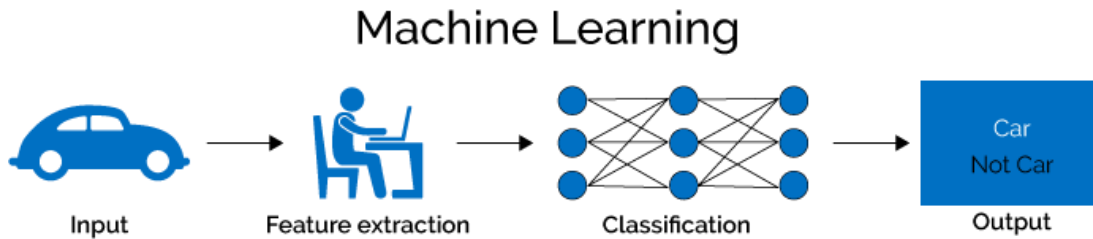
- Face recognition
- Image classification
- Speech recognition
- Text-to-speech generation
- Handwriting transcription
- Machine translation
- Medical diagnosis
- Cars: drivable area, lane keeping
- Digital assistants
- Ads, search, social recommendations
- Gaming



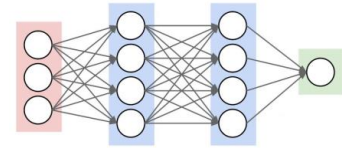
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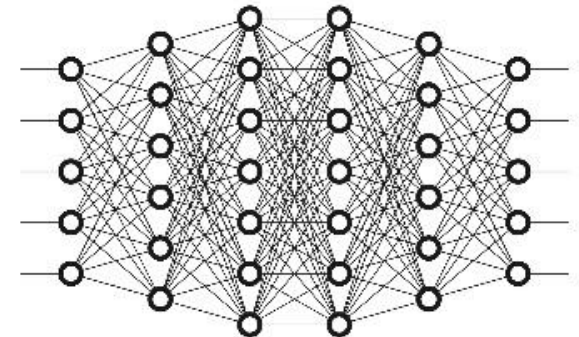
- One of the keys behind DL is the automatic **learning of data representations**
- DL algorithms attempt to learn (multiple levels of) representation by using a **hierarchy of multiple layers**



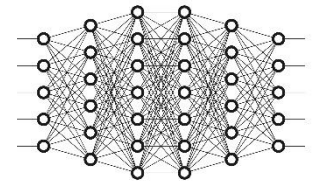
Deep Learning – Why is it Useful?



- **Manually designed features** are often **over-specified, incomplete** and **take a long time** to design and validate.
- **Learned Features** are **easy to adapt, fast to learn**.
- **Deep learning** provides a very flexible, (almost?) universal, learnable framework to **represent world, visual and linguistic information**.
- Can learn both **unsupervised** and **supervised**.
- Effective **end-to-end** joint system **learning**.
- **Use massive amounts of training data**.

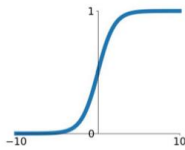


Neural Networks – Neuron Model

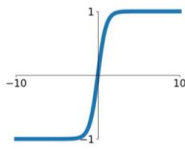


- Artificial neurons are the computational building blocks for **Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs)**
- Inspired* by natural brain neurons...

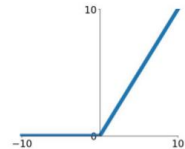
Sigmoid
 $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$



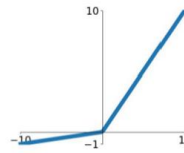
tanh
 $\tanh(x)$



ReLU
 $\max(0, x)$

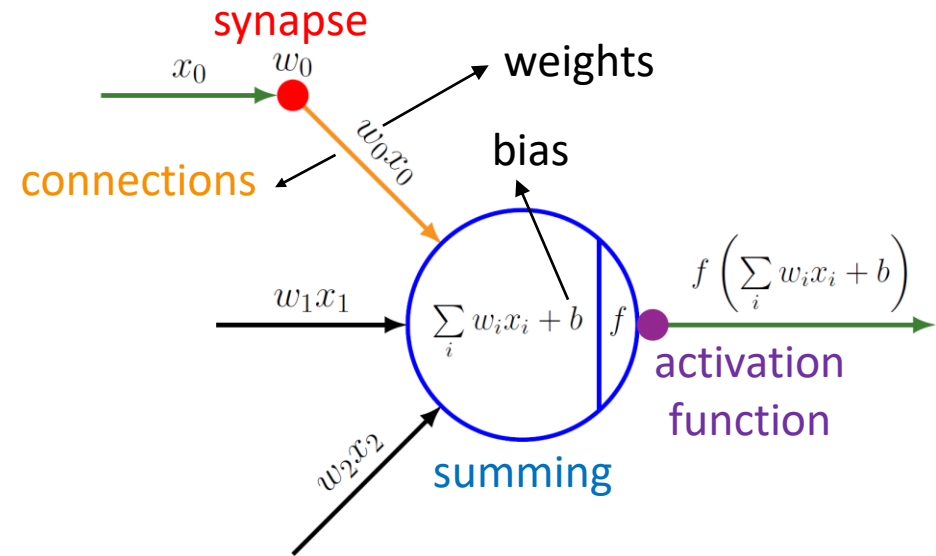
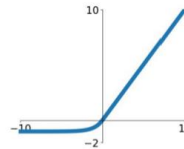


Leaky ReLU
 $\max(0.1x, x)$



Maxout
 $\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$

ELU
 $\begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$



- ...but **natural neurons** and the **human brain** have probably **nothing to do with ANNs!**

ANNs (DNNs) vs the Human Brain

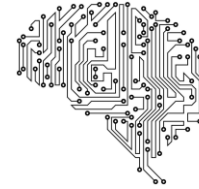


vs.



Human Brain

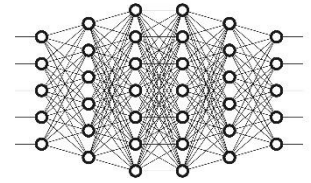
- Humans can **learn from very few examples** (embedded past knowledge)
- 100 billion neurons, 1.000 trillion synapses (**DNNs x 10 M**)
- Human brain has **no layers**, brain **works asynchronously**
- **No clue how it learns**, certainly **NOT** through **backpropagation**
- **Life-long learning** (non-stop learning), unsupervised and through exploration
- **Energy-efficient** (very little power)



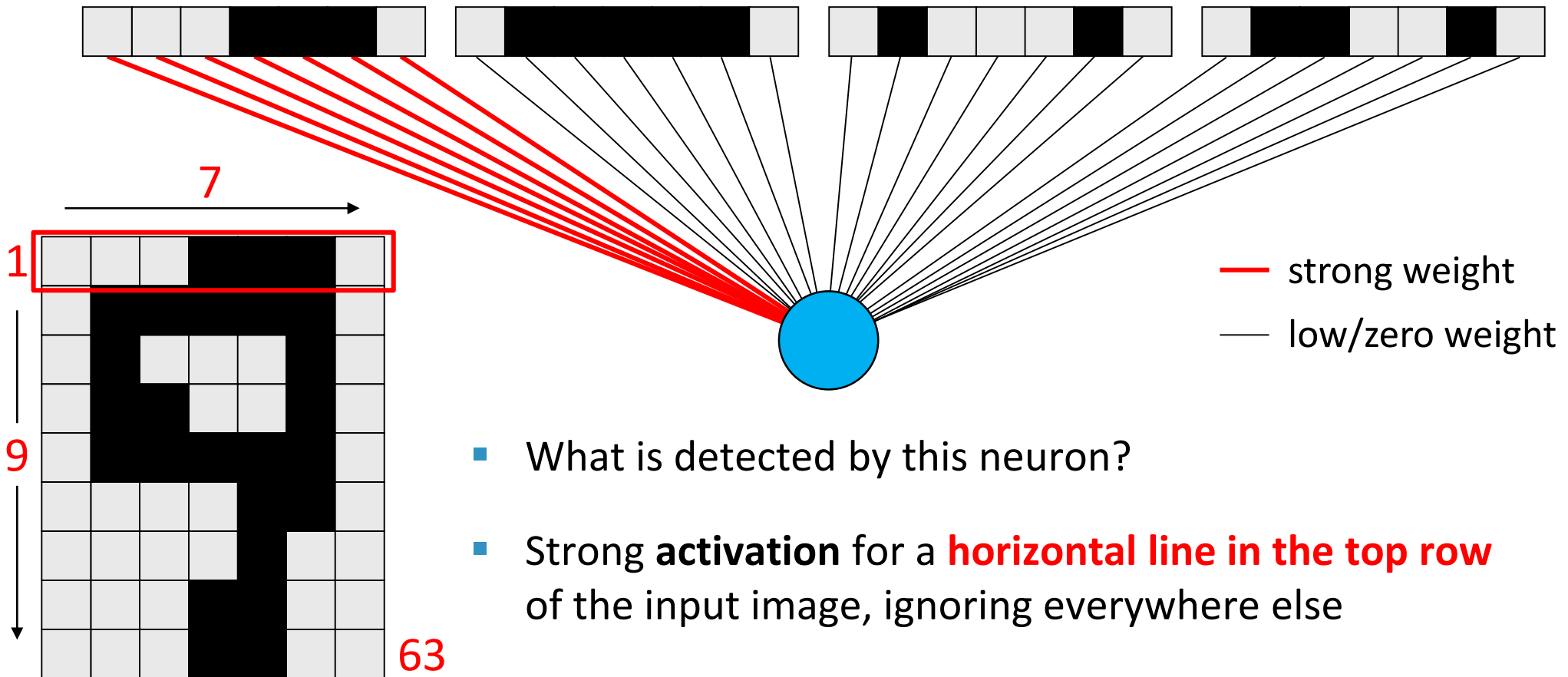
DNNs

- DNNs need **thousands/millions of examples**, even to **learn basic** mappings
- **ResNet 152: 60 million connections** (weights)
- DNNs are **synchronous**
- Learning by gradient-descent (**backpropagation**)
- Mostly on **supervised learning**
- **Get ready to pay the energy bill!**

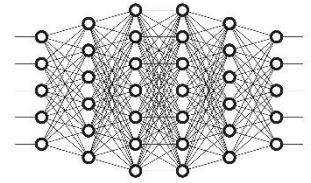
Deep Learning – Intuitive Example



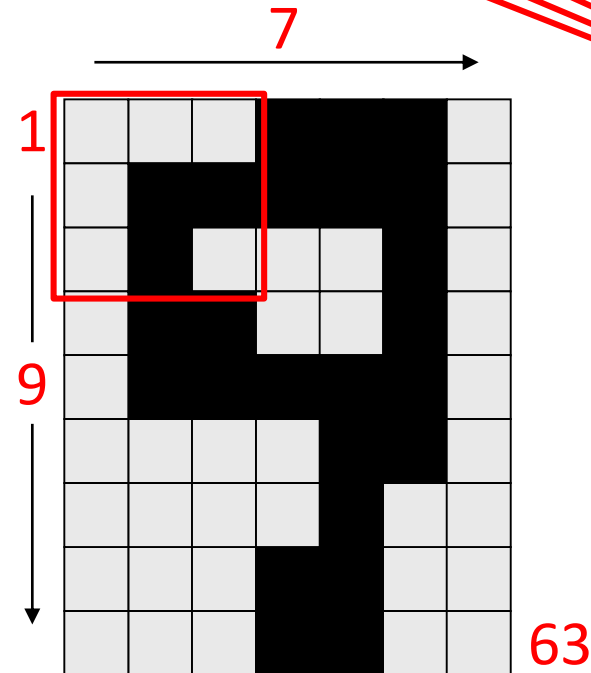
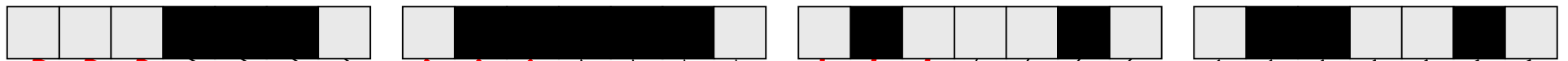
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But what about position invariance? See CNNs

— strong weight
— low/zero weight

- What is detected by this neuron?
- Strong **activation** for a **dark area in the top left corner** of the input image, ignoring everywhere else

Deep Learning – Training



- Training a NN means **setting/tuning all the free-parameters** (weights and bias)
- This is achieved by solving an optimization problem, minimizing a certain **loss function**, which quantifies the **gap between prediction and ground truth**:
- **Regression**
 - Mean Squared Error (MSE)
- **Classification**
 - Cross Entropy Loss (CE)

$$MSE = \frac{1}{N} \sum (t_i - s_i)^2$$

Prediction s_i

Ground Truth t_i

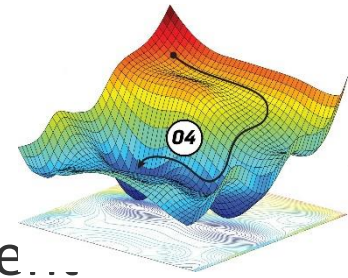
$$CE = - \sum_i^C t_i \log(s_i)$$

Classes C

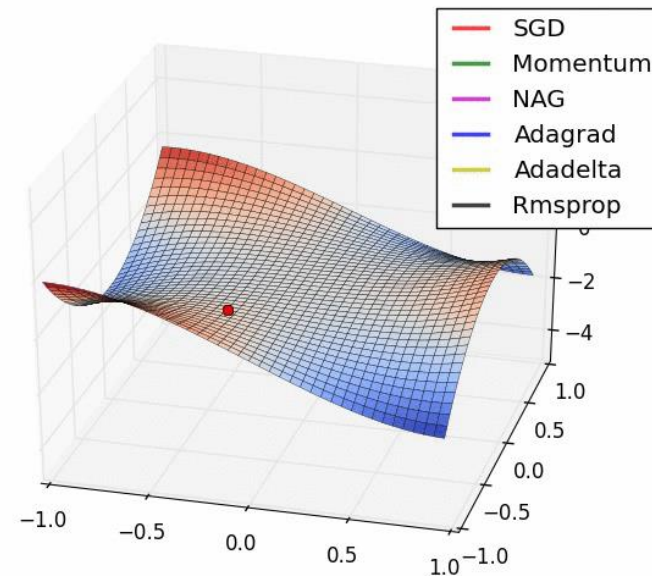
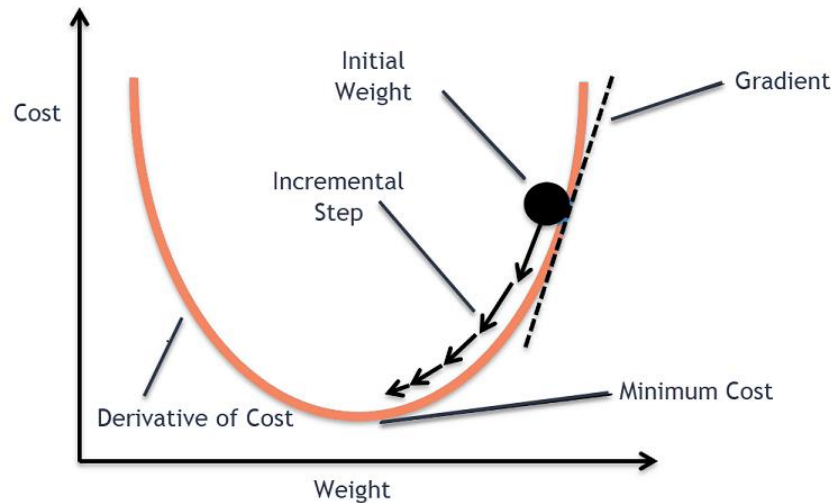
Prediction (p) s_i

binary $\{0,1\}$ correct class t_i

Optimization by Gradient Descent

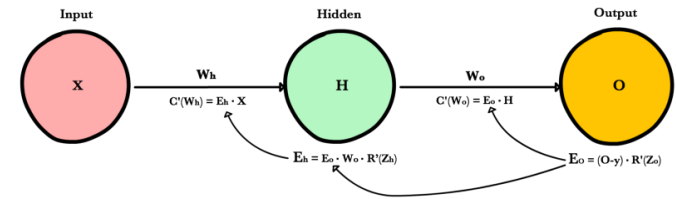


- How to iteratively minimize the loss function?
 - e.g.: **Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)**, Adaptive Moment Estimation (Adam), RMSprop, etc.
- Update the weights and bias by moving in the negative direction of the **loss function derivate**



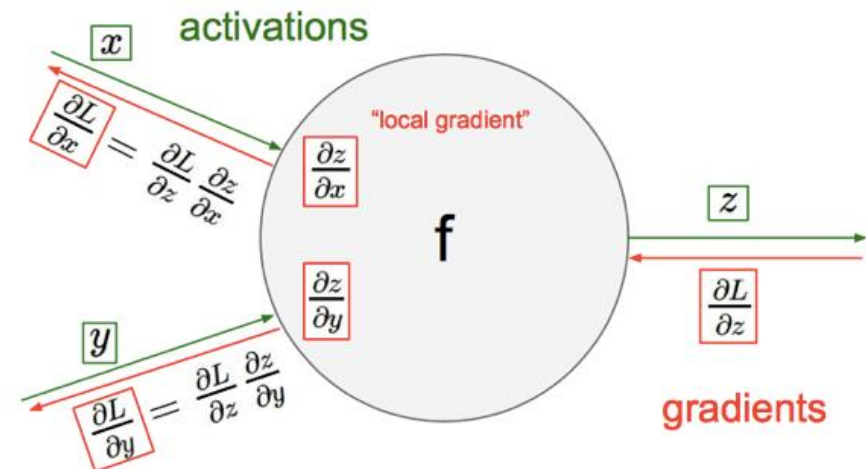
- **Gradient** is computed for the loss function **w.r.t. weights/bias** (θ)
- e.g., for MSE $\rightarrow J_n(\theta) = \|\theta^T \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{y}_n\|^2 \rightarrow \nabla_{\theta} J_n(\theta) = \theta^T (\theta \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{y}_n) = \theta^T \theta \mathbf{x}_n - \theta^T \mathbf{y}_n$

Backpropagation

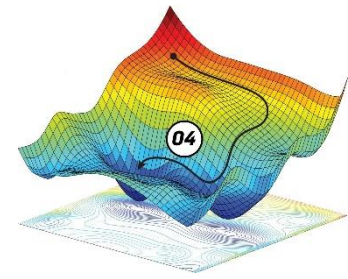


- Update each element of $\theta \rightarrow \theta_j^{new} = \theta_j^{old} - \alpha \frac{d}{d\theta_j^{old}} J(\theta)$
- Matrix notation for all parameters $\rightarrow \theta^{new} = \theta^{old} - \alpha \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$
learning rate
- Computing the **analytical expression** for the gradient is **straightforward**
- ...but **numerically evaluating** the gradient is **computationally expensive**

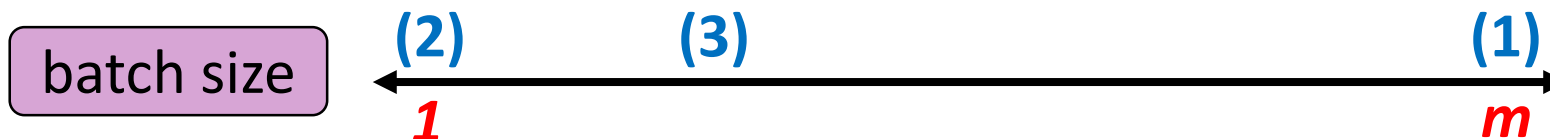
- Solution: **backpropagation**
- Use the **chain rule** to sequentially compute the gradient through each node, re-using previous computations



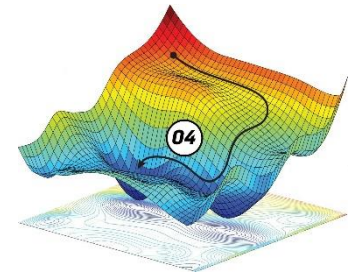
Batch Gradient Descent



- **How often and based on which data do we update weights?**
 - **Epoch:** represents one iteration over the entire training data (**size m**)
 - **Batch:** if data is too big, we split it in **batches**
 - **Iteration:** an epoch is composed of **data-size/batch-size** iterations
- (1) **Batch gradient descent:** take **all the training data** to take one gradient descent step. This is very slow if you have large data set.
- (2) **Online-training /stochastic gradient descent:** each training example (or few of them) is a batch in itself. Weights are updated for each training example.
- (3) **Mini-batch gradient descent:** split the available data in batches of fixed size. Each gradient descent step takes batch-size of data samples to take one gradient descent step. Faster than batch gradient descent.

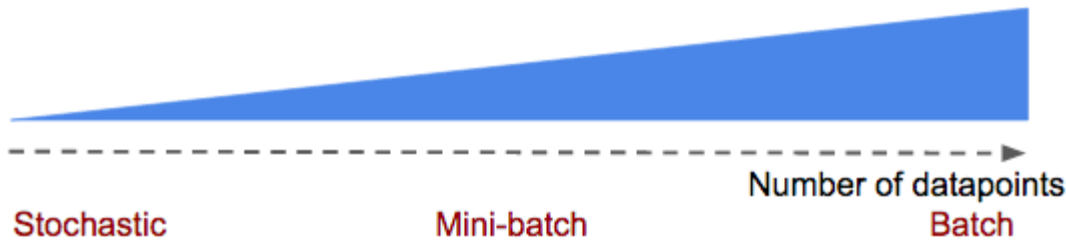


Batch Gradient Descent – Tradeoffs



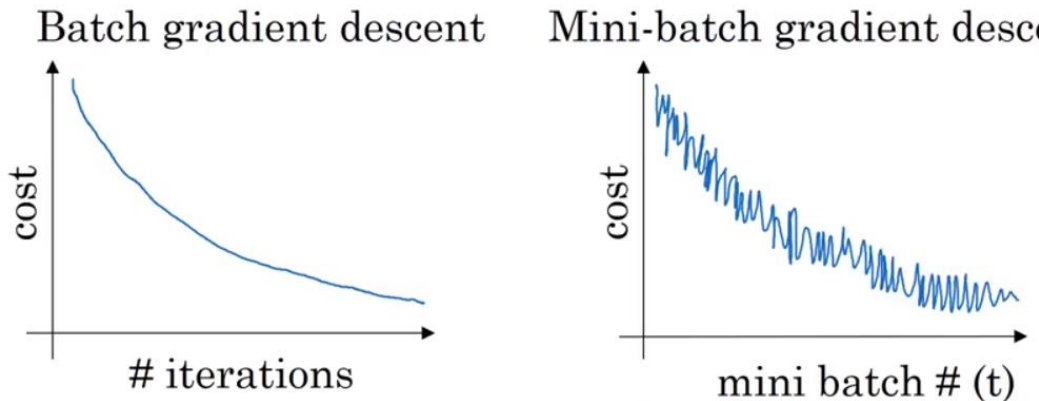
- What's better, smaller or larger **batch size**?

Computational resource per epoch



- Larger batch size = needs more computational resources
- Smaller batch size = (empirically) better generalization

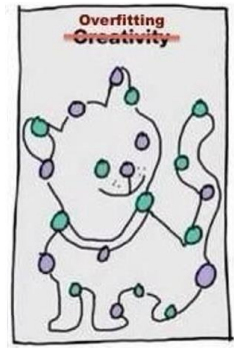
Epochs required to find good W, b values



Yann LeCun
@ylecun

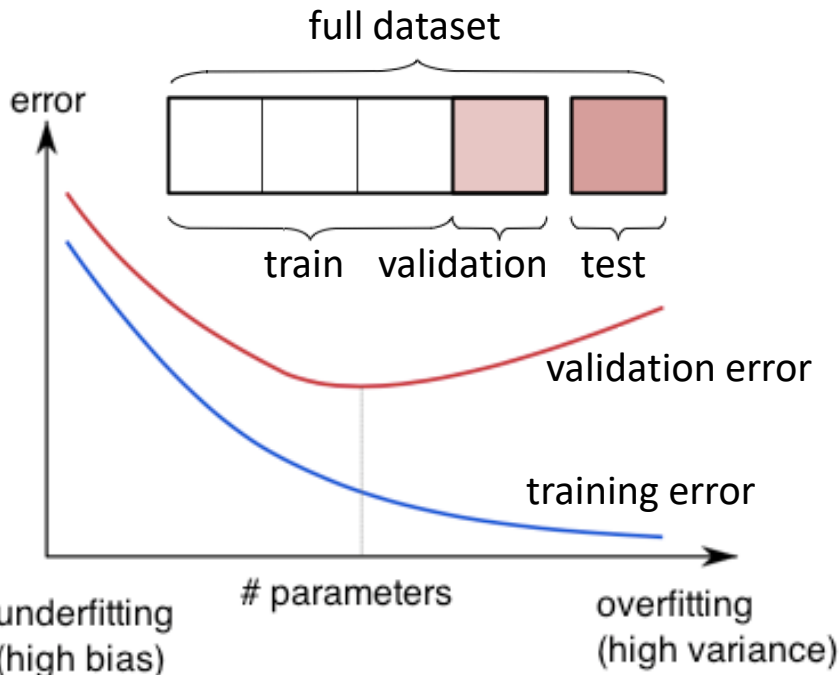
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Regularization – fighting overfitting



Most important part of learning: **generalize to unseen data**

- (1) Early stopping:** stop the training when the algorithm stops learning the underlying model
- (2) Dropout:** randomly drop units (along with their connections) during training. **At each iteration**, each unit is retained with fixed **probability p** (usually $p > 0.5$), independent of other units



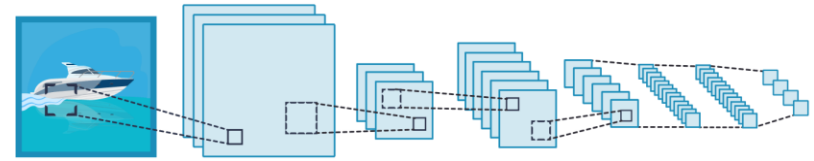
- (3) Weight penalty/decay** (e.g., L2): prevent big weights. Results in smoother models. e.g., $(w/2; w/2)$ is better than $(w; 0)$
- (4) L1 weight decay:** allows for a few weights to remain large

Data Normalization

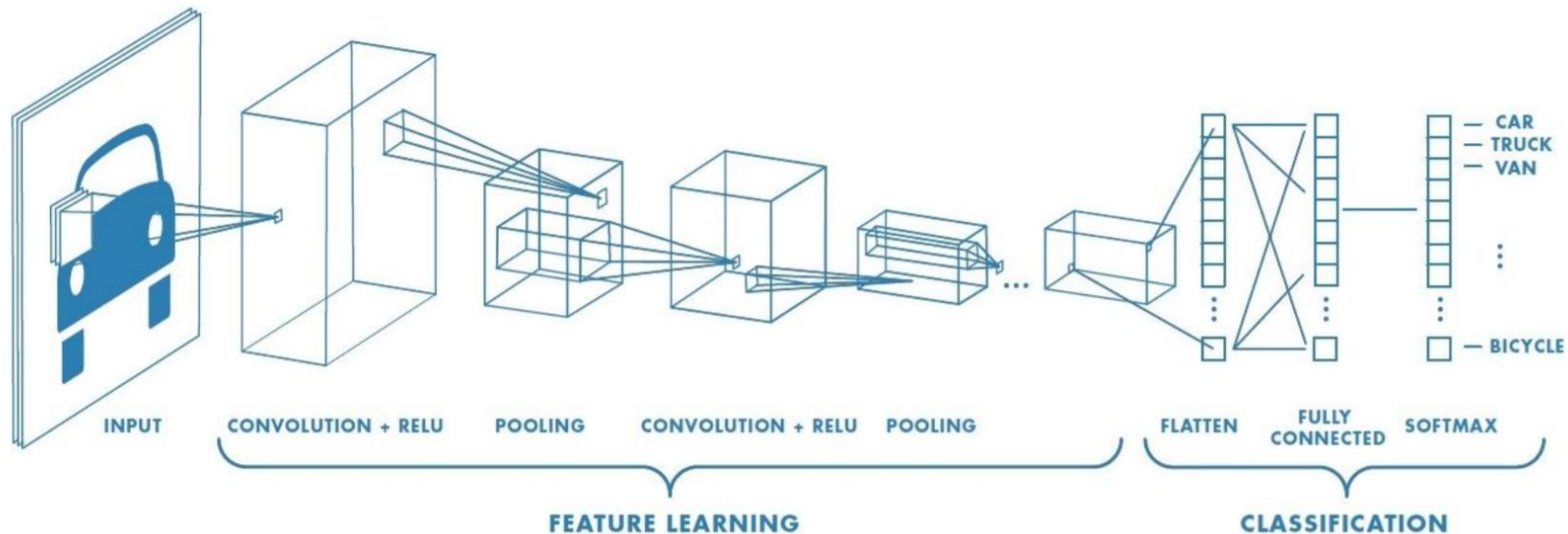


- Data normalization helps to **speed up the learning process**, by keeping activations from going too high/too low.
- **Input normalization:** normalize network inputs, e.g.: normalize to $[0,1]$, or according to mean & var., etc.
- **Batch normalization (BN):** normalize hidden layer inputs to mini-batch mean & var. During training, the distribution of each layer's inputs changes as the parameters of the previous layers change. BN reduces impact of earlier layers on later layers.
- Many other alternatives:
 - Layer normalization (LN) – conceived for RNNs
 - Instance normalization (IN) – conceived for Style Transfer
 - Group normalization (GN) – conceived for CNNs

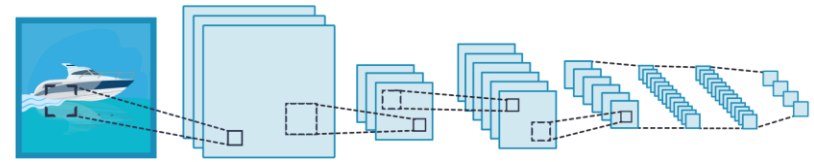
Convolutional Networks (CNN)



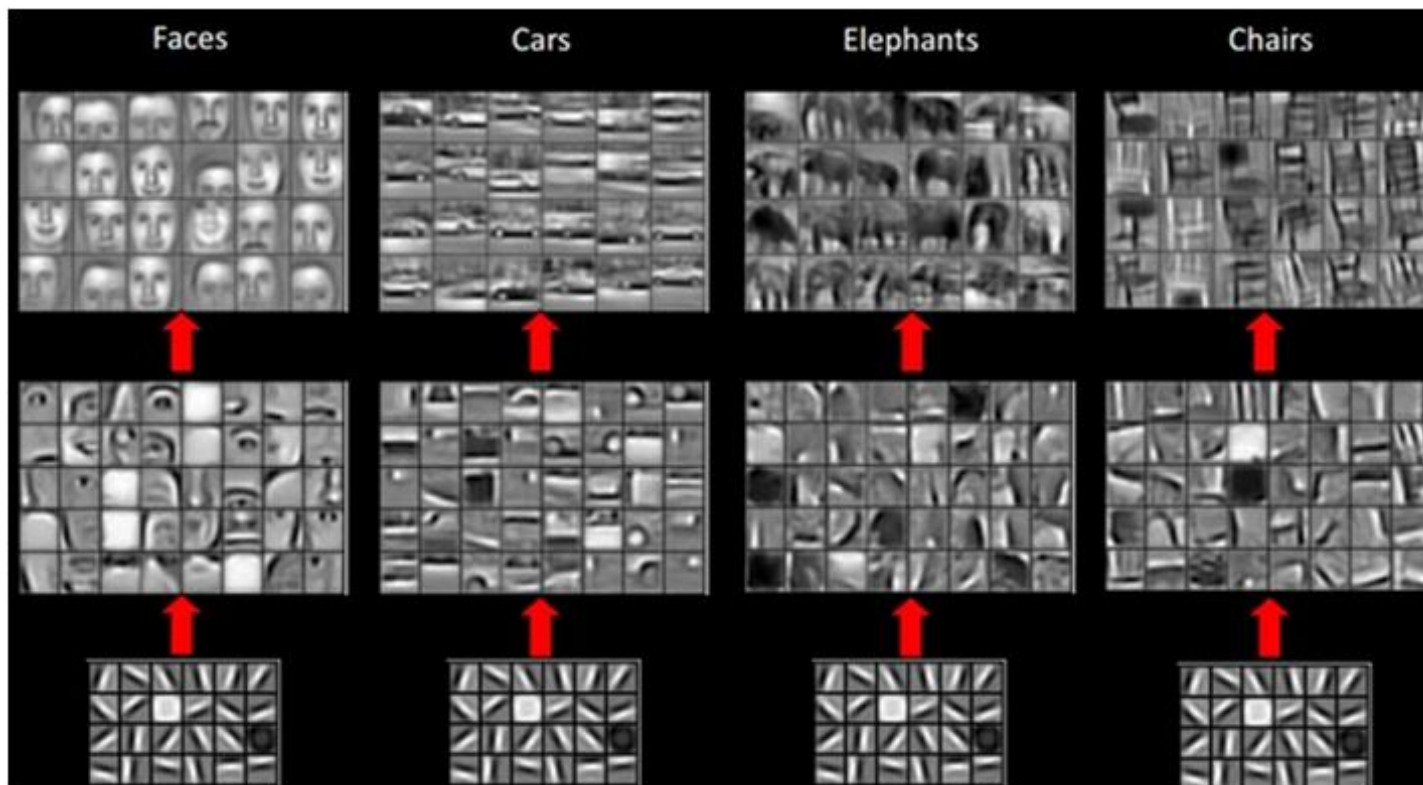
- **Convolutional Neural Networks:** build spatial features, reducing the number of parameters needed for image processing
- CNNs are specially conceived for **image processing tasks**, their success is the **primary reason why deep learning is so popular**
- Convolutional neural networks are composed by a **set of layers with specific functionality**



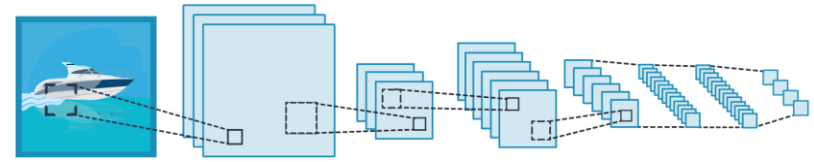
Convolutional Networks (CNN)



- CNNs detect features in images and learn how to recognize objects with them
- Layers near the start detect **simple features** like edges
- Deeper layers can detect more **complex features** like eyes, noses, or an entire face



Convolutional Layer



- **Key idea:** we change weights by **feature detectors** or filters, and drastically reduce connections
- **Learning in CNNs** is about calibrating the feature detector values
- In a nutshell: we learn **new filters**, which **discover specific characteristics** of the image
- Convolutional layers work as **feature detectors**, generating the so-called **activation maps**

0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Input Image



0	0	1
1	0	0
0	1	1

Feature Detector

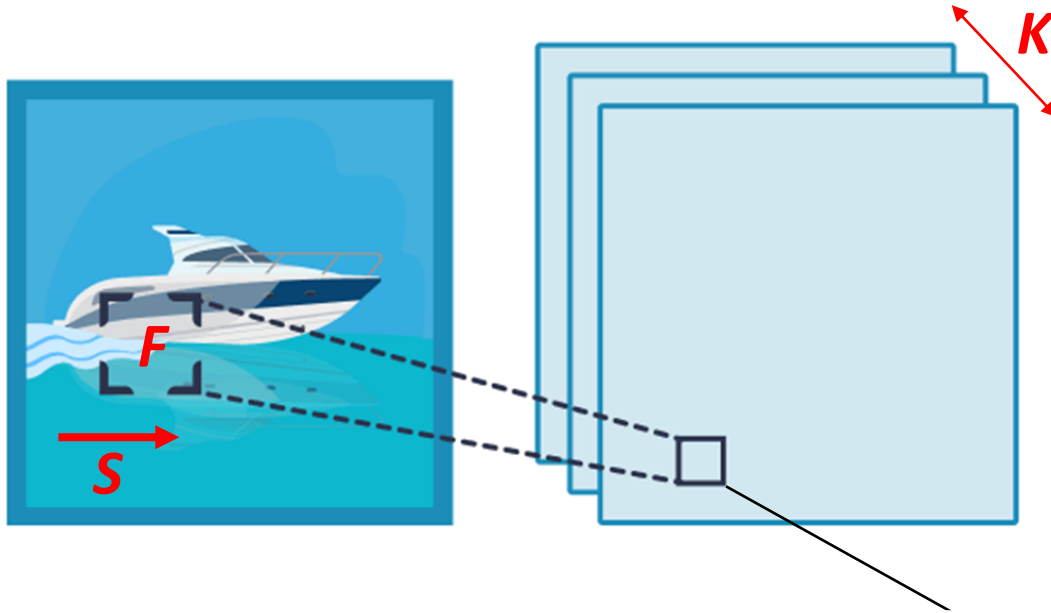
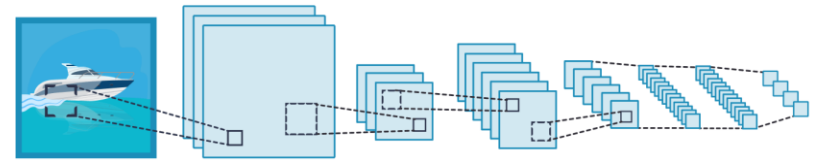
1 _{x1}	1 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	0	0
0 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	1 _{x0}	1	0
0 _{x1}	0 _{x0}	1 _{x1}	1	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0

Image

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Convolved Feature

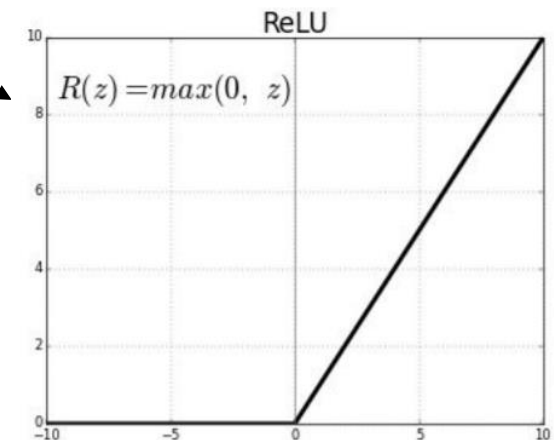
Convolutional Layer + ReLU



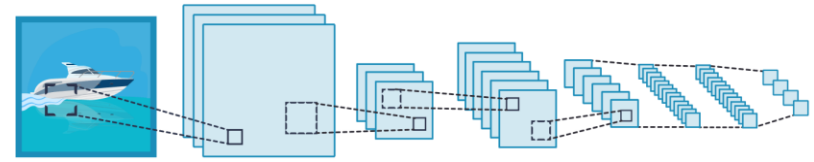
Hyper-parameters :

- the number of filters K
- the size of the filters F
- the stride S

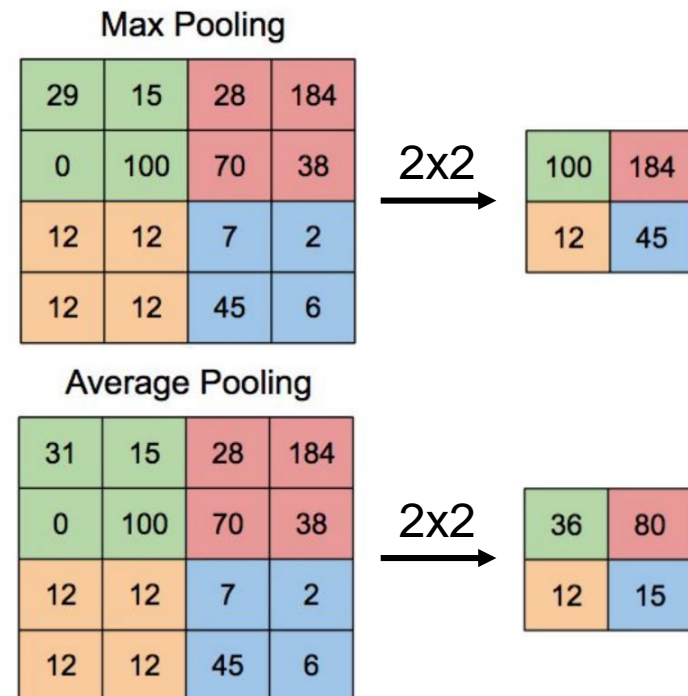
- The convolutional step is combined with an **activation layer**, usually ReLU – Rectifier Linear Unit
- Used to **increase non-linearity** of the network without affecting receptive fields of convolutional layers
- Prefer ReLU, results in faster training
- **LeakyReLU** addresses the vanishing gradient problem



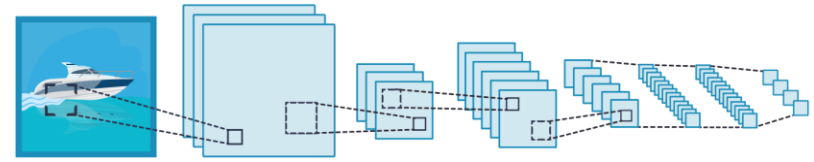
Pooling Layer



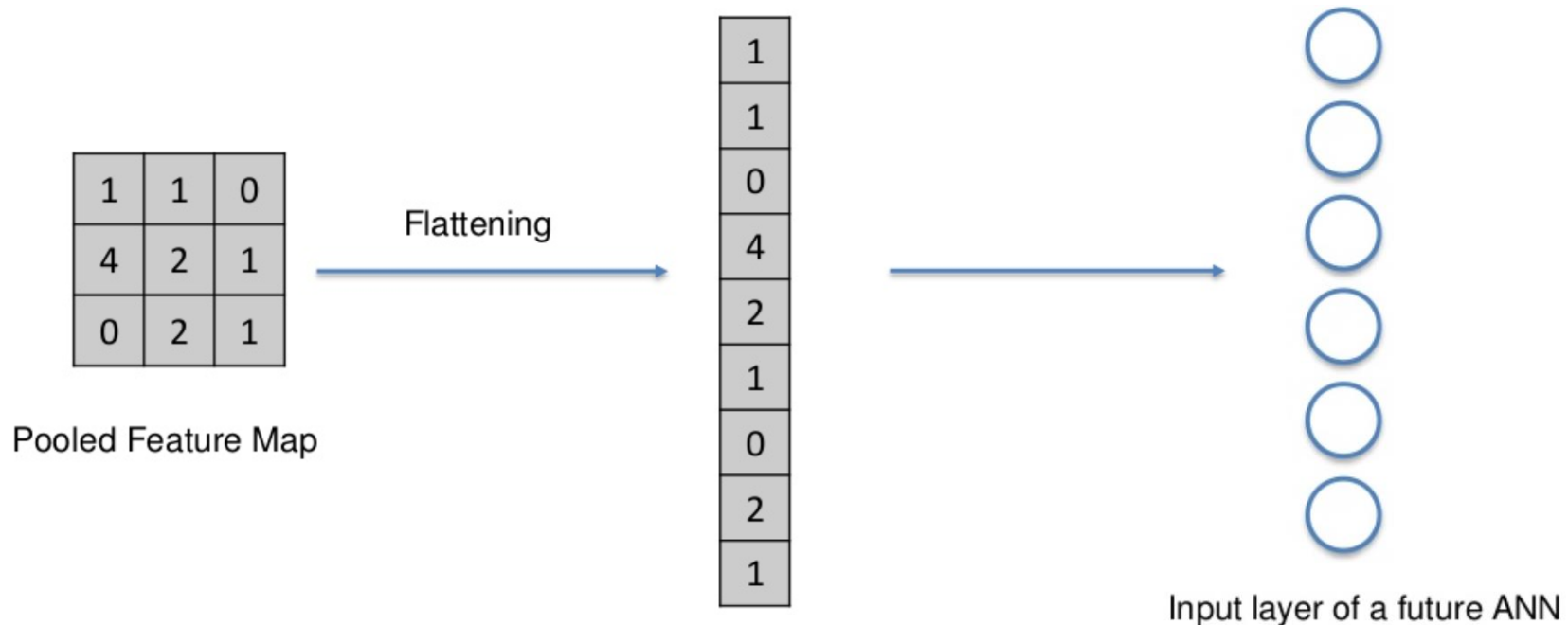
- The main goal of the pooling function is to **progressively reduce the spatial size of the representation** to **reduce the amount of parameters** and computation in the network
- Hence, it **also controls overfitting**
- A **pooling function** replaces the output of the network at a certain location with a **summary statistic of the nearby outputs**
- **Pooling layers** apply **non-linear down-sampling** on activation maps
- Pooling is very aggressive (discard info)
- The **trend** now is to **use smaller filter size** and abandon pooling



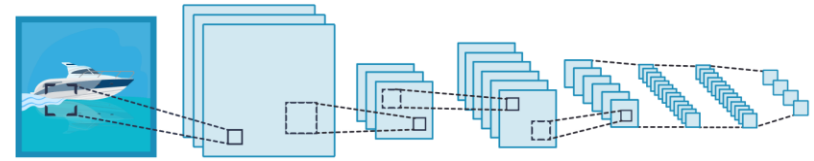
Flattening Layer



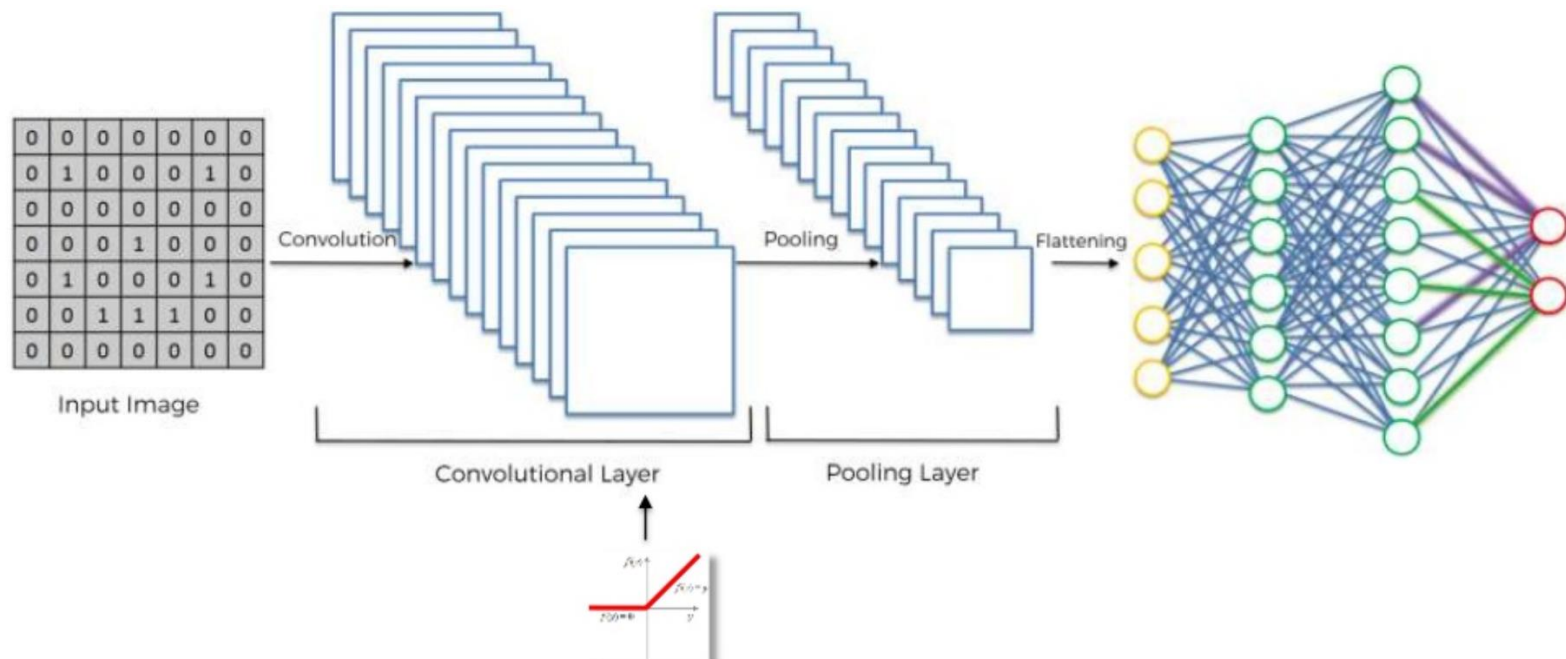
- Flattening is **converting the data into a 1-dimensional array**
- We flatten the **output of the pooling layers** to create a single long feature vector
- And it is connected to the final classification model, which is called a **fully-connected layer**



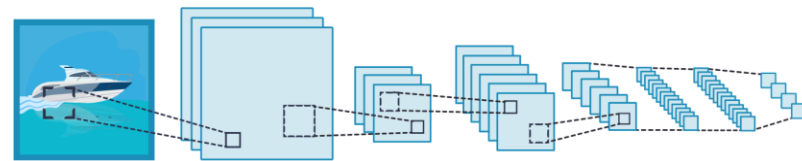
Fully-Connected Layer



- Fully connected layer = **Regular neural network**
- It corresponds to the **final learning phase**, which maps extracted visual features to desired outputs (e.g., classification)
- Common output is a vector, which is then **passed through a *softmax* function** to represent **confidence of classification**



Softmax Layer



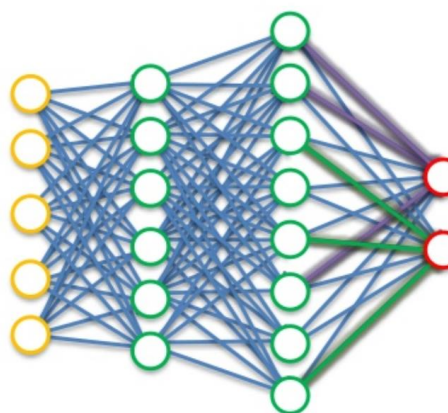
- A special kind of **activation layer**, usually **used at the end of FC layer outputs**
- Can be viewed as a normalizer, producing a **discrete probability distribution vector**
- The Softmax is used as the **activation function in the output layer of the FC Layer**, and ensures that the sum of the outputs is 1.
- The Softmax function takes a **vector of arbitrary real-valued scores** and **squashes it to a vector of values between zero and one that sum to one**

$$P(y = j | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w}_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w}_k}}$$

Given sample vector input \mathbf{x} and weight vectors $\{\mathbf{w}_j\}$, the predicted probability of $y = j$



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Flattening →

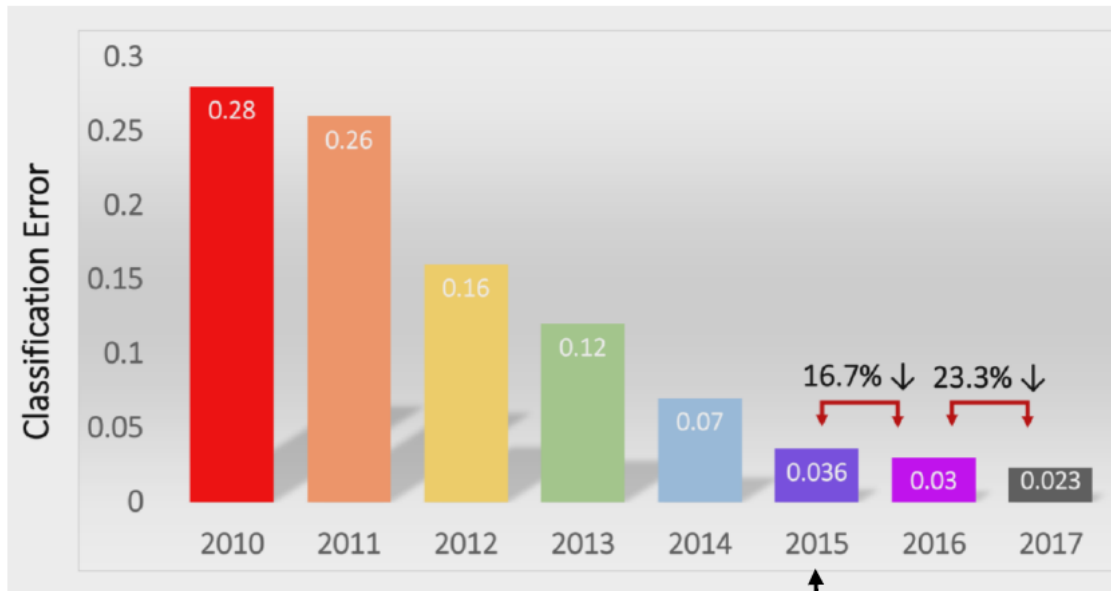


Dog → z_1 → 0.95
Cat → z_2 → 0.05

$$f_j(z) = \frac{e^{z_j}}{\sum_k e^{z_k}}$$

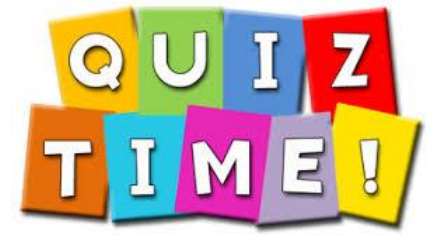


ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge

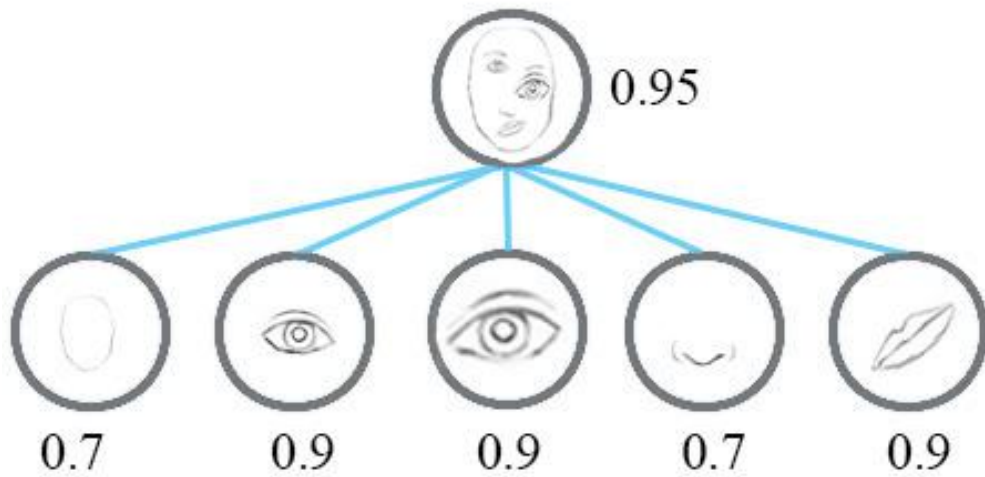
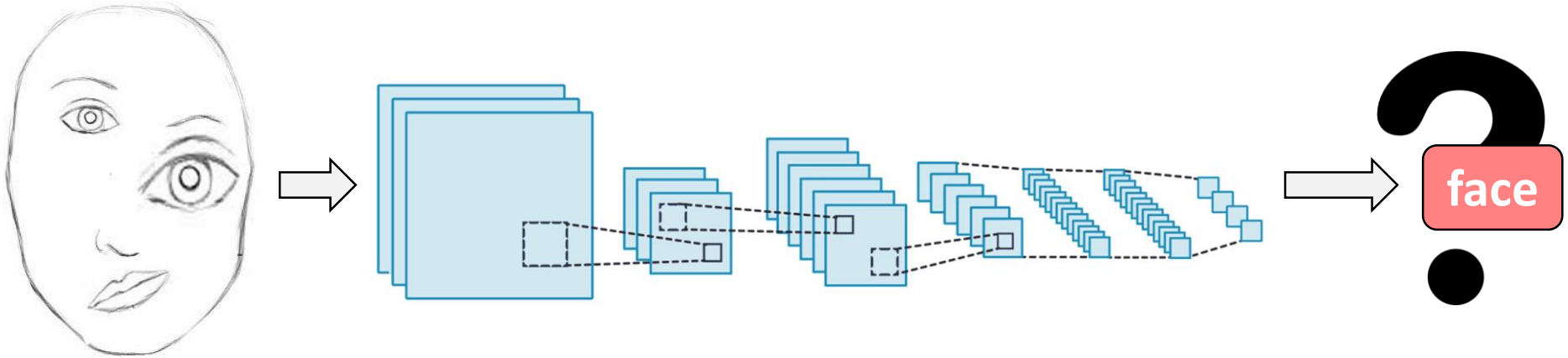


- **AlexNet (2012): First CNN (15.4%)**
 - 8 layers
 - 61 million parameters
- **ZFNet (2013): 15.4% to 11.2%**
 - 8 layers
 - More filters. Denser stride.
- **VGGNet (2014): 11.2% to 7.3%**
 - Beautifully uniform: 3x3 conv, stride 1, pad 1, 2x2 max pool
 - 16 layers
 - 138 million parameters
- **GoogLeNet (2014): 11.2% to 6.7%**
 - Inception modules
 - 22 layers
 - 5 million parameters (throw away fully connected layers)
- **ResNet (2015): 6.7% to 3.57%**
 - More layers = better performance
 - 152 layers
- **CUImage (2016): 3.57% to 2.99%**
 - Ensemble of 6 models
- **SENet (2017): 2.99% to 2.251%**
 - Squeeze and excitation block: network is allowed to adaptively adjust the weighting of each feature map in the convolutional block.

CNN Quiz



- What would this CNN detect?

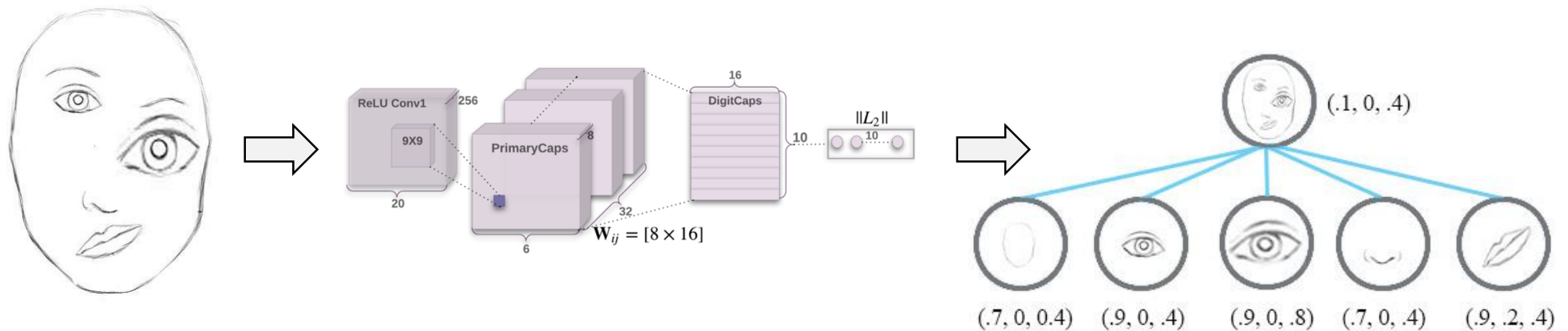


- CNNs have drawbacks in their basic architecture...
- ...causing them to not work very well for some tasks
- there is no spatial location information in a CNN!**

Capsule Networks (CapsNets)



- **In a nutshell:** why not adding such information within the network?
- **Capsule networks:** encode not only probability of an object being present, but also spatial information
- **Capsules:** groups of neurons that encode spatial information (object position and orientation) as well as the probability of an object being present.



- **Capsule nets** are still in a **research and development phase** and not reliable enough to be used in commercial tasks

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