Lecture 3: Convolutional Neural Networks

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THE PLAN

part 1: Introduction - why are convolutional architectures needed?

part 2: One-dimensional convolutional neural networks (conv1D)

part 3: Two-dimensions and beyond (conv2D, conv3D, ...)

part 4: Example architecture

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PART ONE: INTRODUCTION

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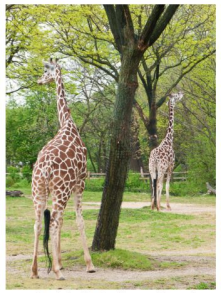
a soccer player is kicking a soccer ball

a street sign on a pole in front of a building


a couple of giraffe standing next to each other

source: https://cs.stanford.edu/people/karpathy/neuraltalk2/demo.html

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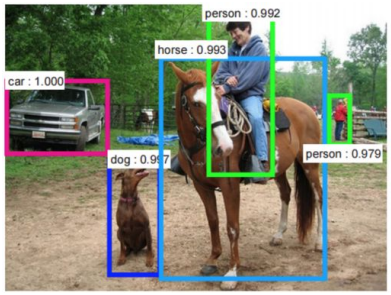
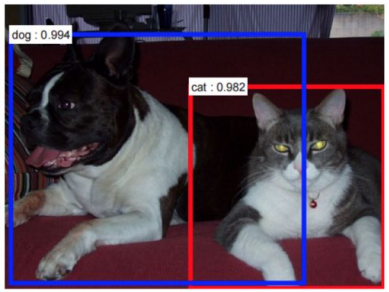




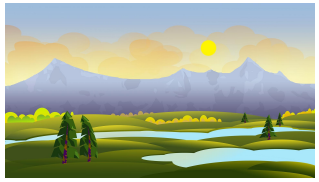
source: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1506.01497v3.pdf

INPUT DATA

. We need to get features!
. For tabular data, this is “simple”
. But what with more complex data?

INPUT DATA - IMAGES

. Example



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INPUT DATA - SOUND, IMAGES, VIDEO - ENCODING

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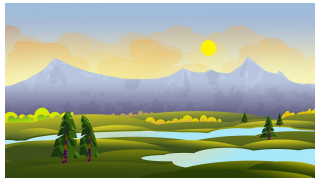

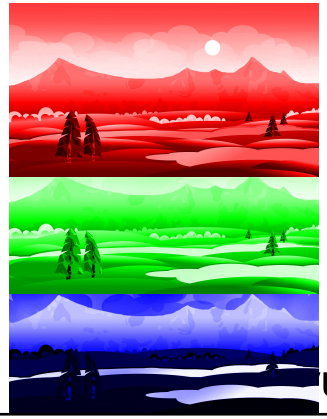

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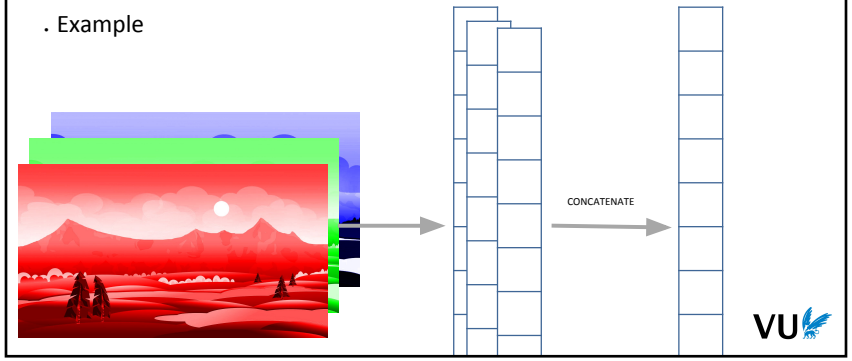

INPUT DATA - SOUND, IMAGES, VIDEO - ENCODING

. The input dimensions are **very** big

. One channel of an image of 1920x1080 ≃ 2M features
. 1 second of sound at 44kHz = 44k features
. A video: frame rate * image features + sound
  ◦ 10 seconds => 10*(60fps*3*2M+44k)

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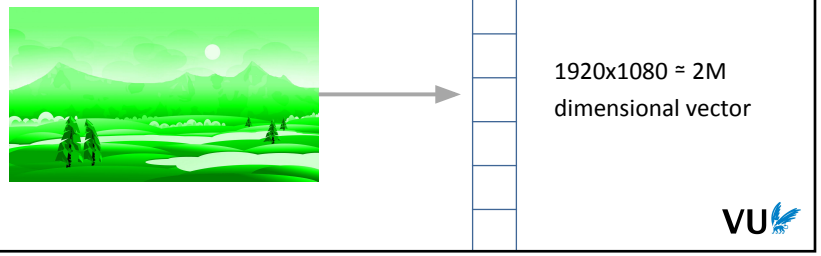

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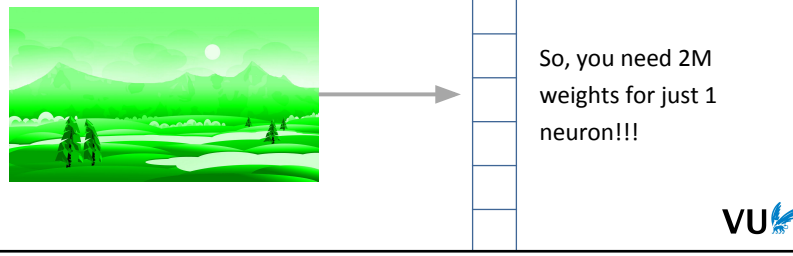

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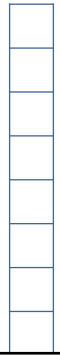

1920x1080 ≈ 2M dimensional vector

So, you need 2M weights for just 1 neuron!!!

And you want more than 1

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INPUT DATA - SOUND, IMAGES, VIDEO - ENCODING - MLP - LIMITATIONS

. The input dimensions are **very** big
. Too big for an MLP
  ◦ Too many weights
  ◦ Would not converge
  ◦ would not fit in GPU memory
    . Especially when you also need to keep gradient information

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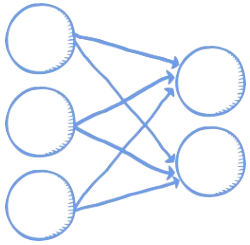
INPUT DATA - SOUND, IMAGES, VIDEO - ENCODING

. The features in this kind of data are **not** independent
  ◦ They have locality
. But, an MLP does not remember this ordering



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GOAL FOR TODAY

. We want to be able to do deep learning on this kind of data
. Steps
  ◦ 1D
    . Build intuition
  ◦ 2D
    . Do the same for images

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PART TWO-a: **conv1D**

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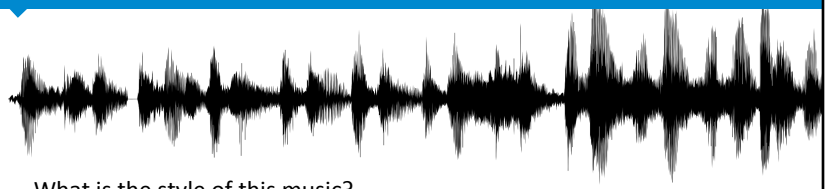
1D - SOUND - TASK - CLASSIFICATION / REGRESSION



. What is the style of this music?
. Does the user like this music (yes/no)?
  ◦ A classifier
. What is the beat of this music?
. How pleasant is this music to listen to (1-100)?
  ◦ Regression

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1D - SOUND - TASK - GENERATION

. What does a cleaned version of this audio signal look like?
. What audio would fit to these lyrics?
. How would this song continue?

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1D - SOUND - FEATURES - TRADITIONAL

. Traditionally, manual feature extraction was used
  ◦ (digital) signal processing with filters
  ◦ Detecting beat
  ◦ Finding manually crafted patterns
  ◦ etc.

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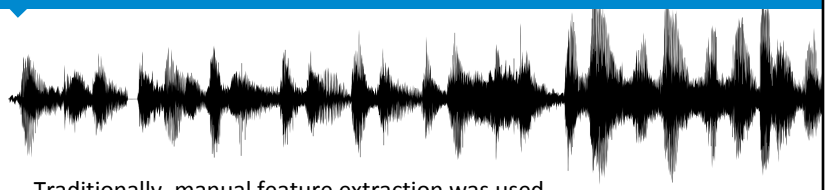
1D - SOUND - FEATURES - TRADITIONAL - ISSUES



. Traditionally, manual feature extraction was used
  - Problems:
    . Noise
    . Variations
    . Fragments missing
    . etc.

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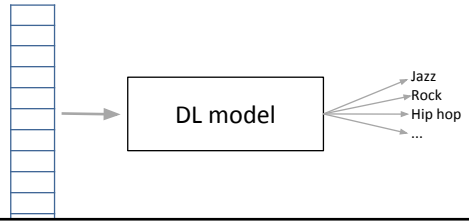
1D - SOUND - FEATURES - DEEP LEARNING

. Feature Extraction in deep learning is dealt with by the model itself



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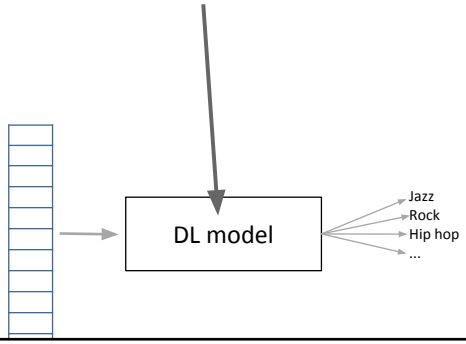
1D - SOUND - HOW? - MLP

. Let us try to use an MLP



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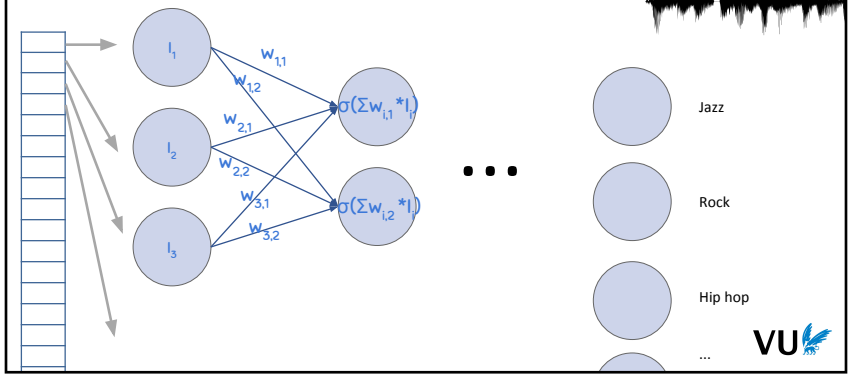

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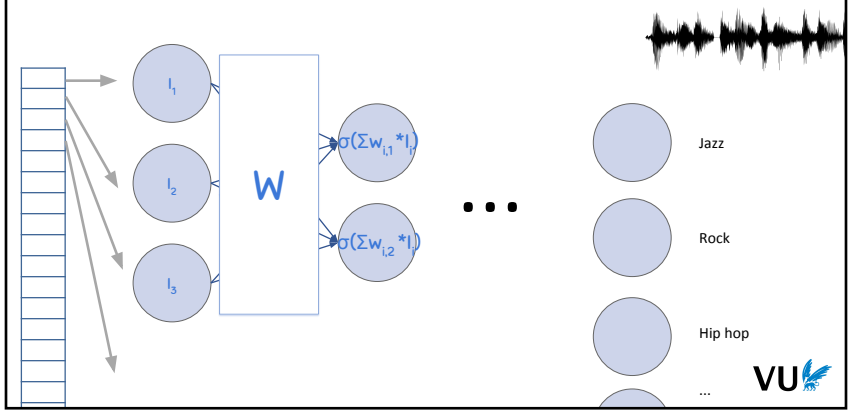

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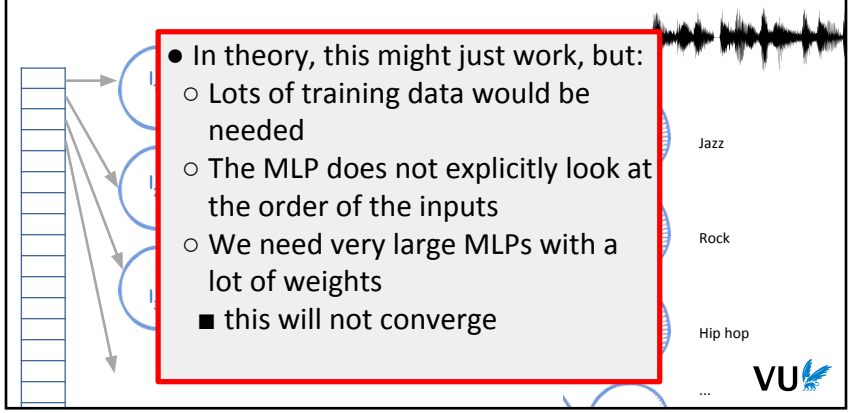
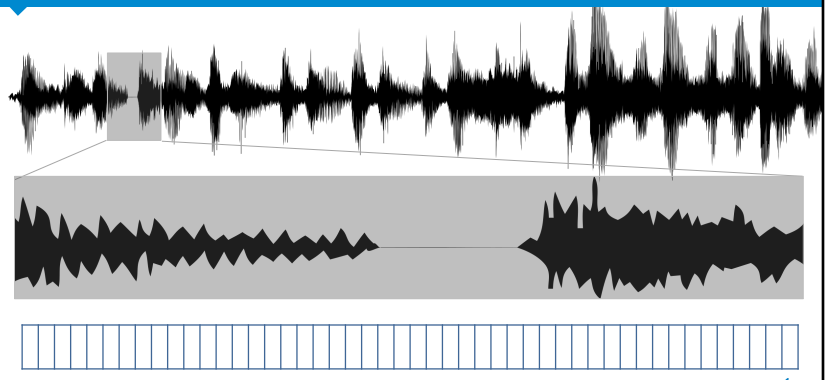


- In theory, this might just work, but:
  - Lots of training data would be needed
  - The MLP does not explicitly look at the order of the inputs
  - We need very large MLPs with a lot of weights
    - this will not converge

1D - SOUND - FEATURES - DIGITAL



1D - SOUND - AMPLITUDE

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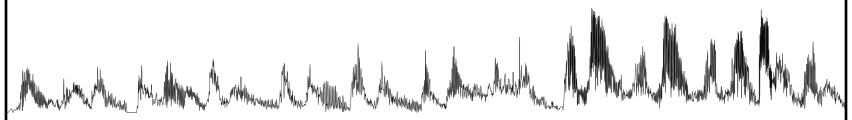
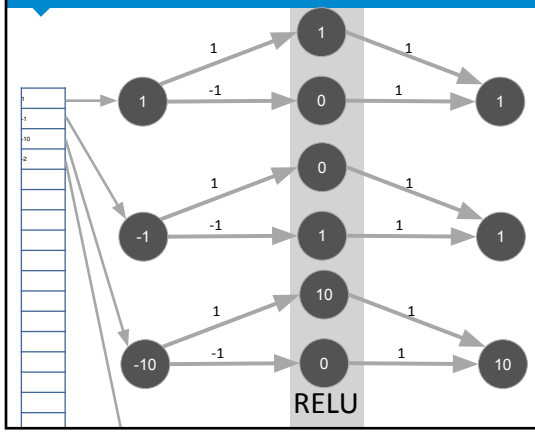


1D - SOUND - FILTERS - AMPLITUDE MLP



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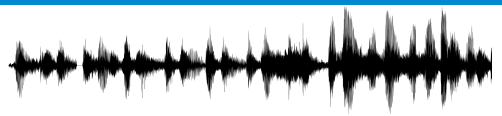

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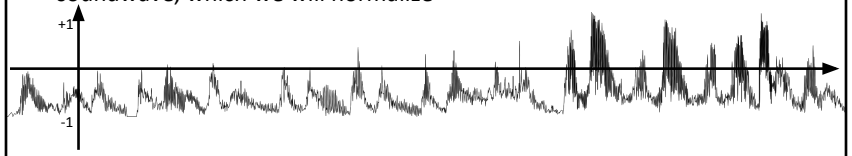

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1D - SOUND - FILTERS

. The features in the soundwave are not independent
. Nearby features are more important as far away ones
. This idea can be used in filters

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1D - SOUND - FILTERS - EXAMPLE

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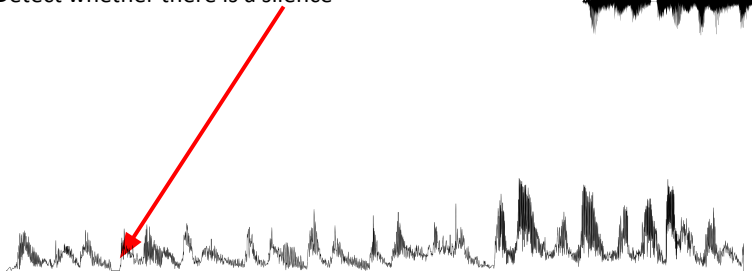

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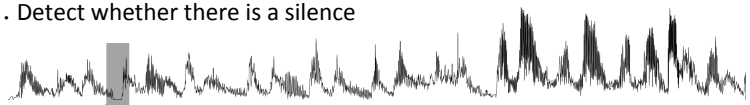

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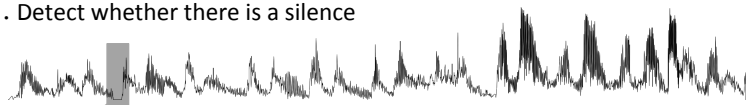

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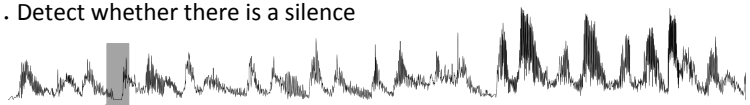

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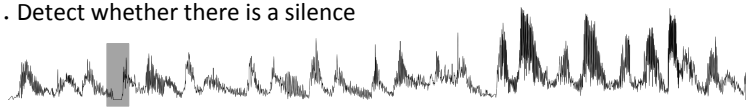

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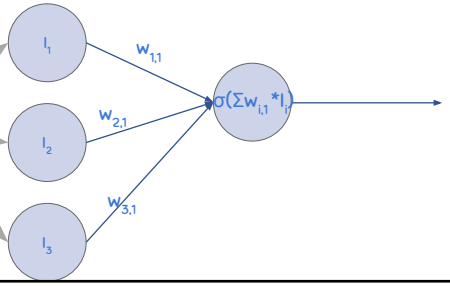

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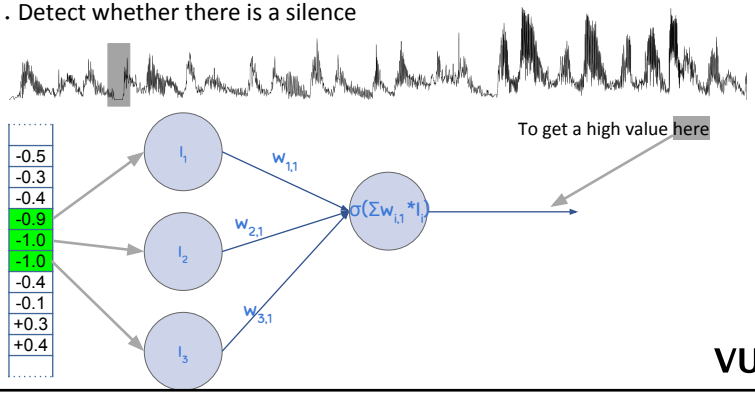

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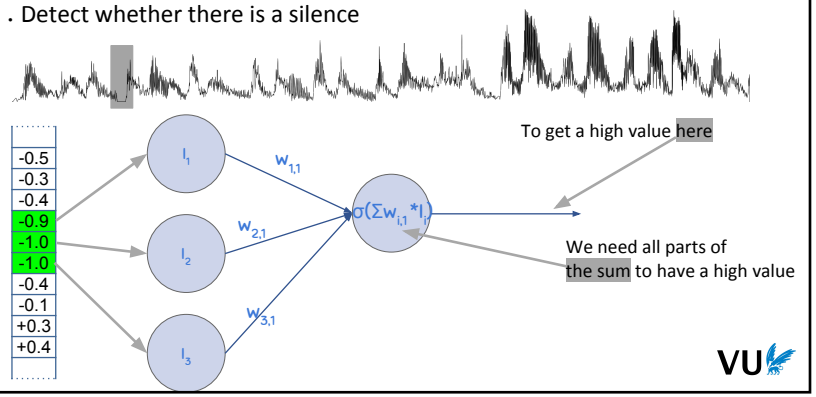

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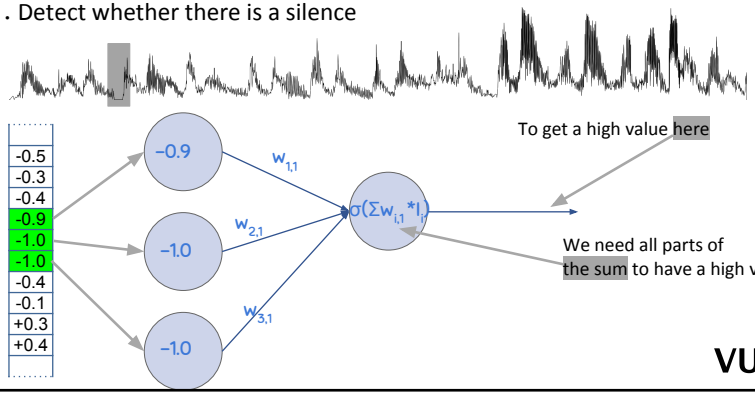

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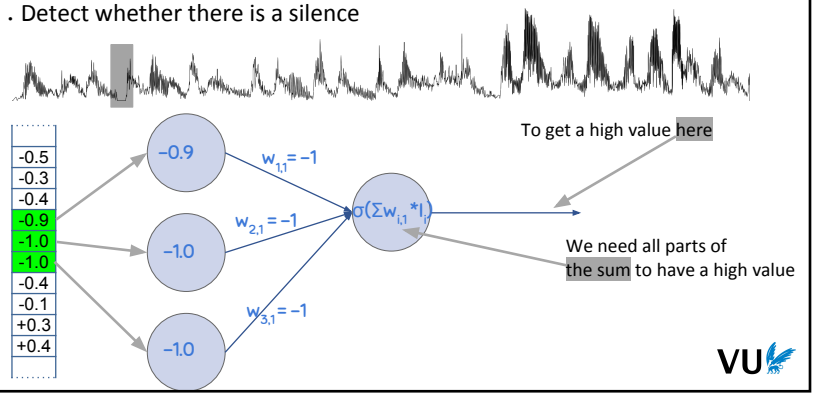

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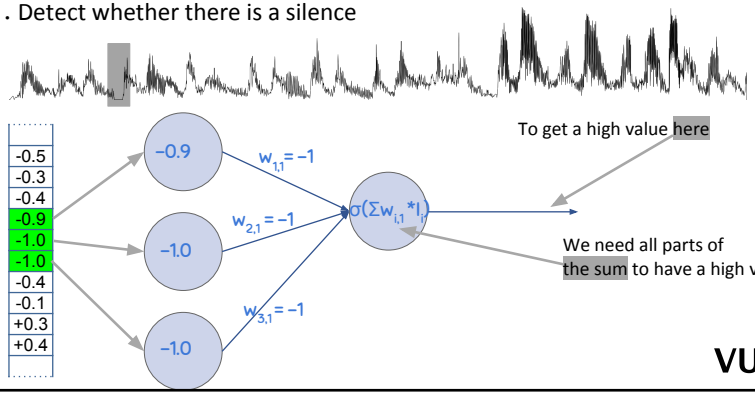

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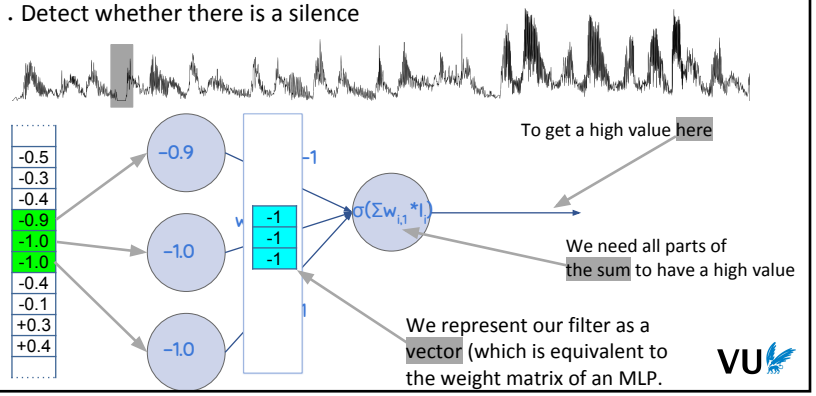

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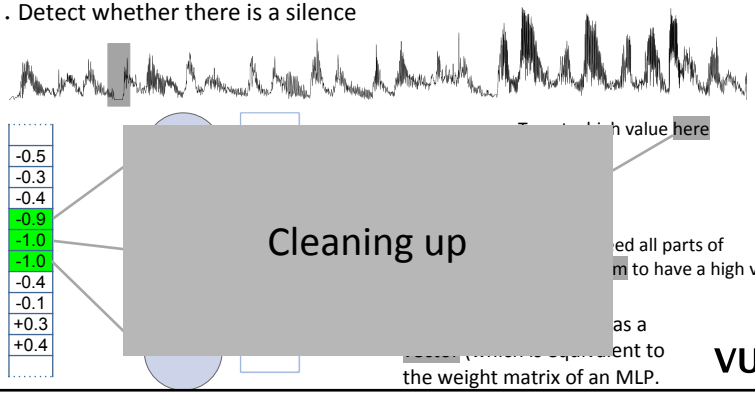

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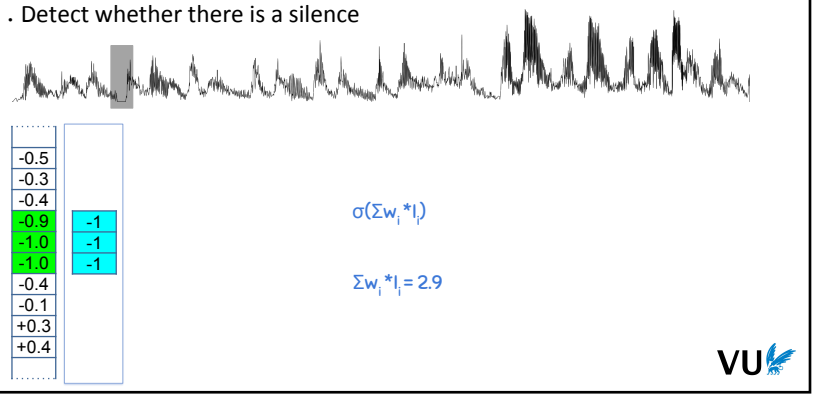

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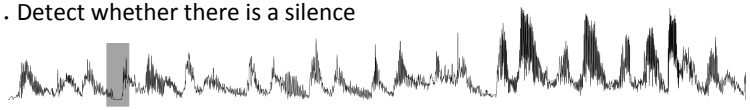

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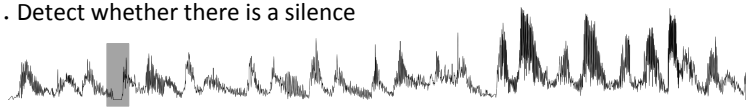

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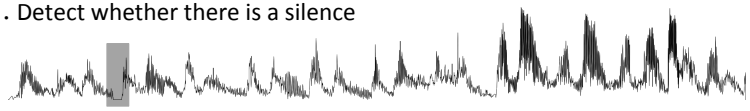

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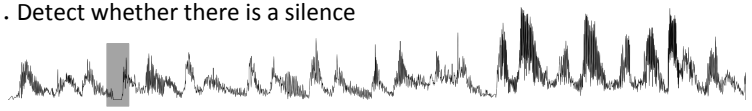

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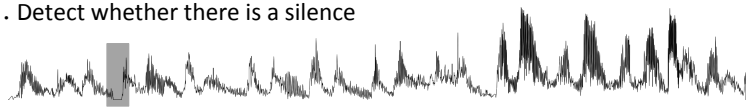

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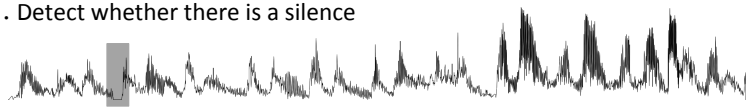

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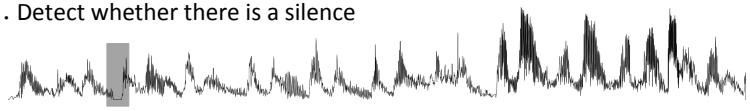

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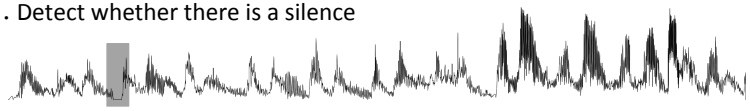

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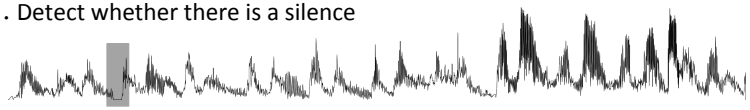

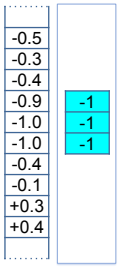

Observations:

. The filter can act as a feature extractor

. The filter can be used at all locations to detect silence

◦ We call sliding a filter over all positions **convolving**

. The operation is called a **convolution operator**

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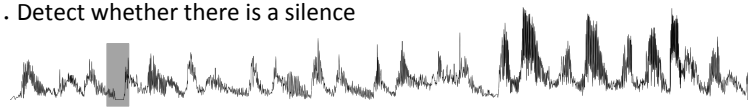

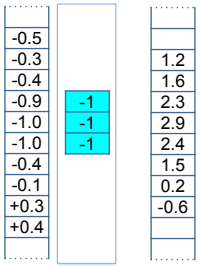

◦ The output of the convolution operator is itself again a vector!

◦ A time shift in the input causes the same shift in the output: Convolution is **translation equivariant**

◦ This operation can be understood as **a small MLP** that wanders across the input signal.

◦ In practice, the conv. kernels are **learned.**

PART TWO-b: **conv1D**

1D CONVOLUTION - FORMAL DEFINITION

. To understand how the conv. kernels are learned, we require a formal definition. For a 1D input sequence $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and a filter $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{R}^{2m+1}$ the convolution operation is:

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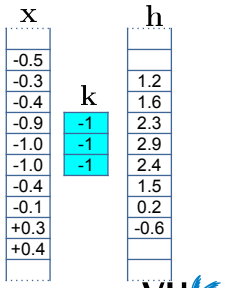

1D CONVOLUTION - FORMAL DEFINITION

. How do we **learn** the filter $\mathbf{k}$?

. If $\mathbf{k}$ is learned, we will update the filter weights based on some loss $\mathcal{L}_\mathbf{h} = \sum_{t=0}^{n} \mathcal{L}_\mathbf{h}(t)$ depending on the conv. response at all places, e.g., cross-correlation for classification.

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The update of the weights takes into consideration **ALL ELEMENTS OF THE INPUT SEQUENCE INTO ACCOUNT!**

. The weights are shared across the entire input (MLPs learn independent weights at every position: $\mathbf{h}(t) = \mathbf{W}(t,:) \cdot \mathbf{x}(t)$)

1D CONVOLUTION - FORMAL DEFINITION

. **Advantages:**

. Since weights are shared for every position, Convolutional Networks (CNNs) are much MUCH! **MUCH!** smaller than MLPs. -> **PARAMETER EFFICIENCY**

. Convolutions can learn a powerful pattern recognizers, e.g., for silence, based on "silences" appearing everywhere in the input (MLPs must learn an independent "silence recognizer" for every position) -> **DATA EFFICIENCY**

. Convolutions can recognize a "silence pattern" regardless of where it appears (MLPs must have seen silence at a given position before in order to recognize it) -> **GENERALIZATION IMPROVEMENTS**

IMPORTANT: 2 and 3 are a consequence of convolution being translation equivariant.

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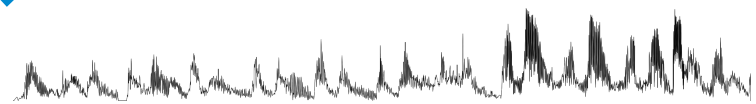

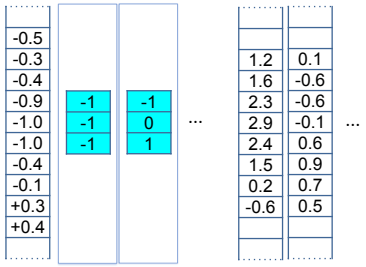

. We need to have all sorts of filters for feature extraction
  . We can have as many filters as we want
  . Now, the output becomes a matrix, called the **output volume**

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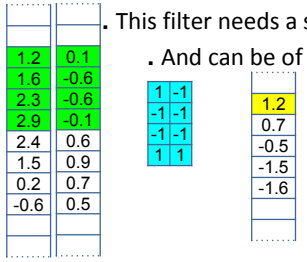

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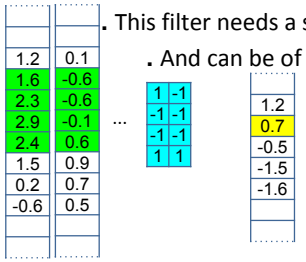

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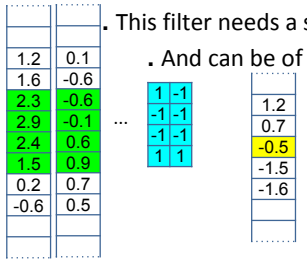

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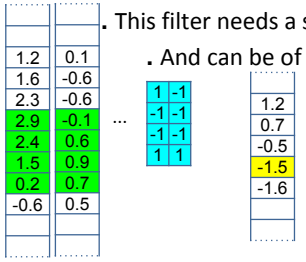

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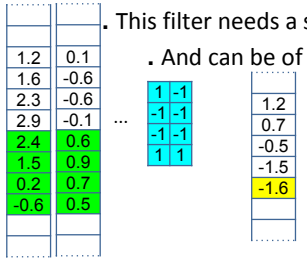

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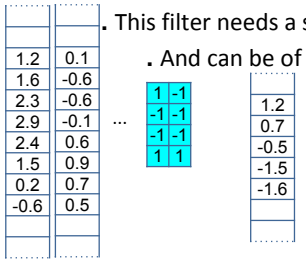

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. The meaning of these filters recursively depends on the meaning of the filters on the layer before. But, overall becomes more complex.

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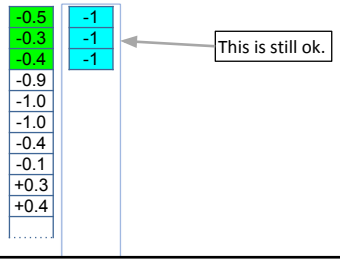

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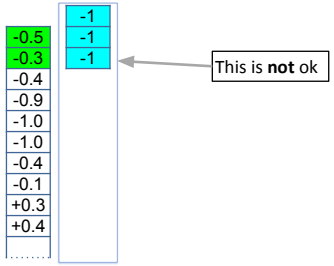

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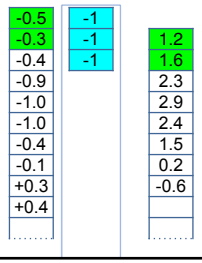

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  - This also leads to a reduction of dimension!
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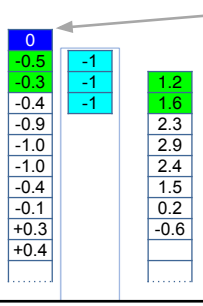

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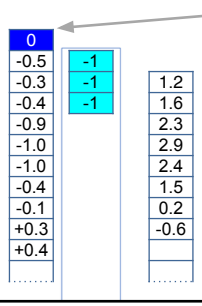

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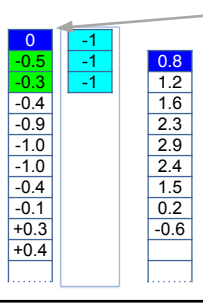

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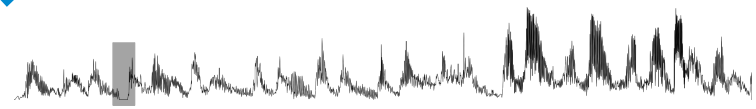

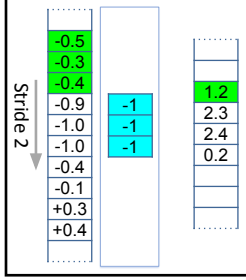

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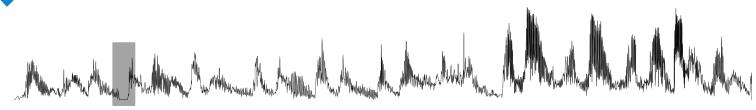

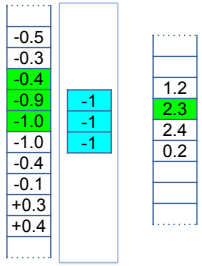

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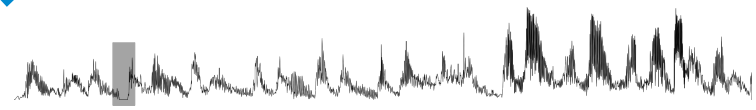

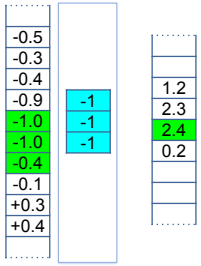

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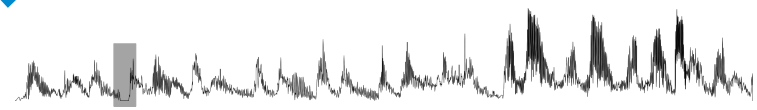

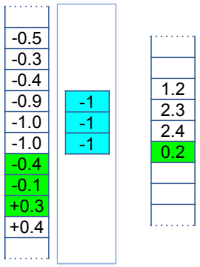

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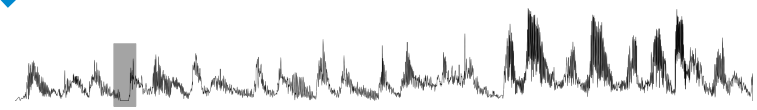

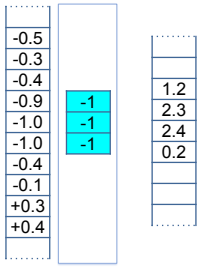

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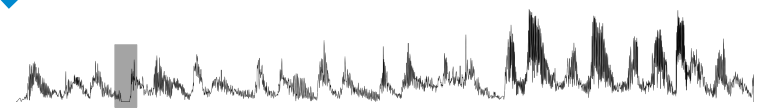

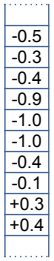

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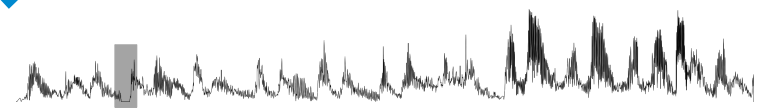

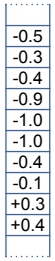

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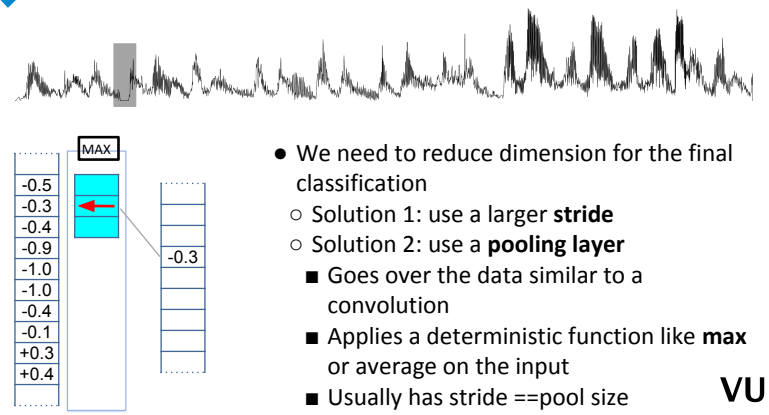

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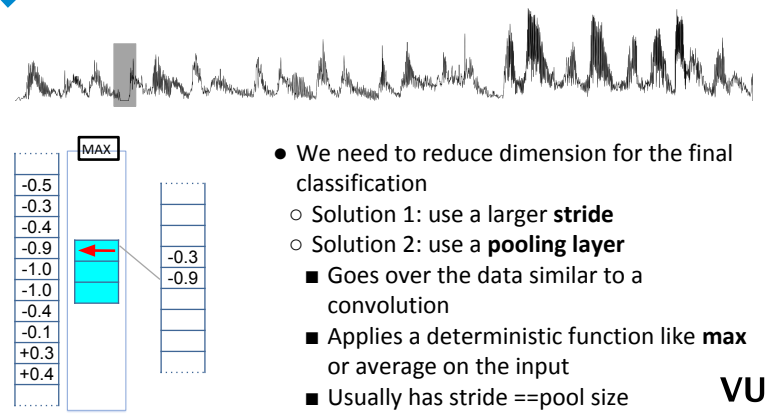

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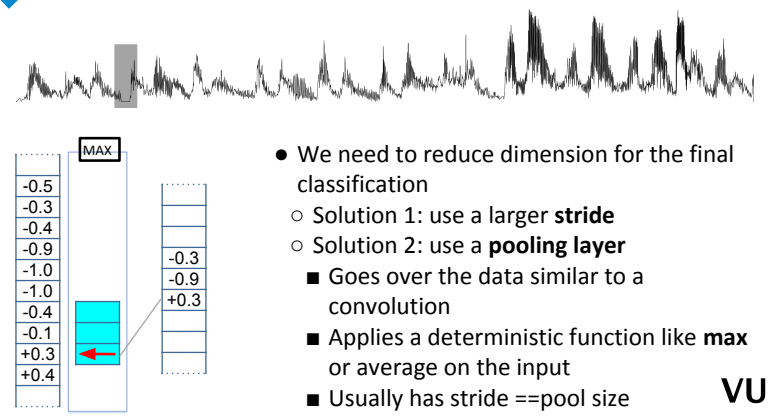

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PART THREE: **Conv2D, Conv3D, ConvND**

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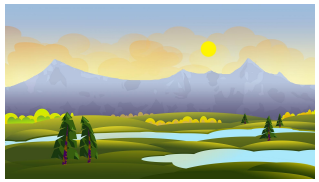
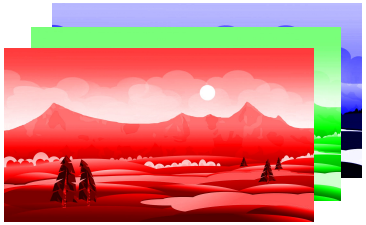
2D - IMAGES - REPRESENTATION





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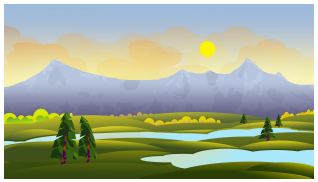
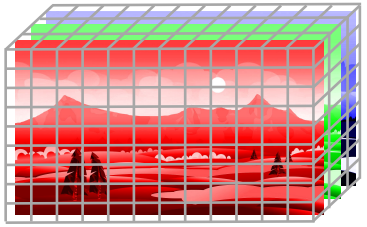
2D - IMAGES - REPRESENTATION - 3D TENSOR

The 2 dimensional color image becomes a 3 dimensional tensor!





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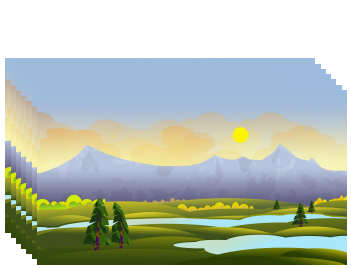
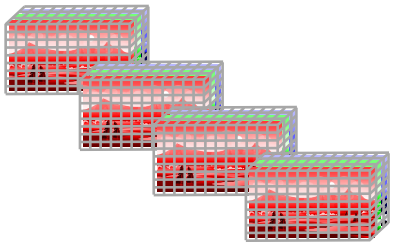
3D - VIDEO - REPRESENTATION - 4D TENSOR

A 3 dimensional color video becomes a 4 dimensional tensor!





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2D - IMAGES - CONVOLUTION

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x[:,:,0]
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1	1	0	2	1
2	1	0	2	0
2	2	1	2	2
0	2	2	1	2
2	1	0	0	2

We start with a 5x5 image

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2D - IMAGES - CONVOLUTION - CHANNELS

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We have 3 channels

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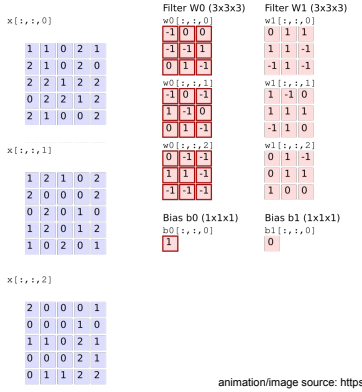
2D - IMAGES - CONVOLUTION - FILTERS



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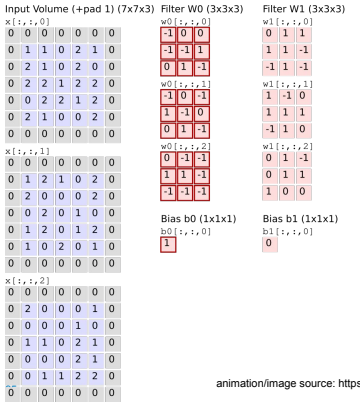
2D - IMAGES - CONVOLUTION - PADDING



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We add padding to solve issues with convolving near the border

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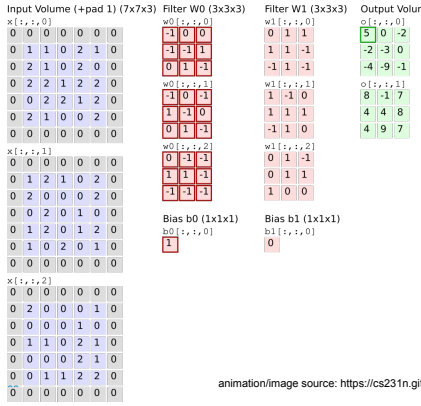
2D - IMAGES - CONVOLUTION - OUTPUT VOLUME



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We convolve with a stride of 2

Try to understand why the output volume has these dimensions.

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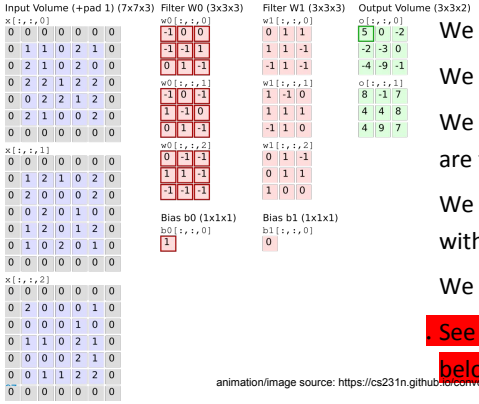

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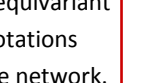
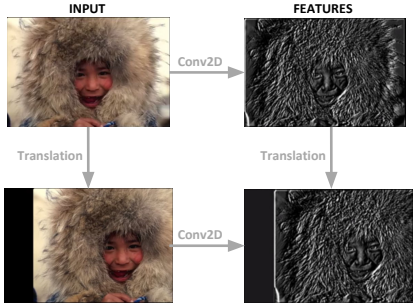


CONVOLUTION - EQUIVARIANCE ANALYSIS

We saw that convolutions are **equivariant** to translations. Naturally it holds for ConvNDs as well:



A translation of the input produces an equivalent translation in the output.

For a translated input $\mathbf{x}(t - t_0)$:

$$(\mathbf{x} * \mathbf{k})(t - t_0) = \sum_{\tau=-m}^{m} \mathbf{x}((t - t_0) - \tau) \cdot \mathbf{k}(\tau)$$

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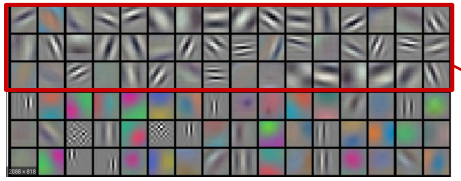

BUT approx. equivariant for scales / rotations learned by the network.

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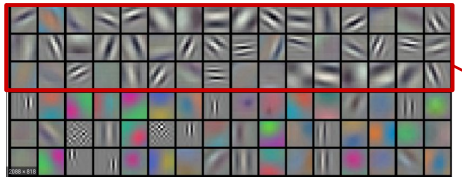

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Problem: Each of these filters are independent weights:

. The network wastes a lot of parameters learning transformed versions of the same -> **Parameter Inefficient!**

. To learn these filters the network must see these transformations in the training set -> **Data Inefficient + No equivariance guarantees!**

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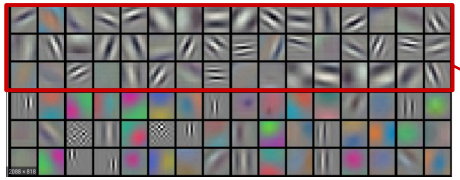

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Solution: Group Convolutions:

. Not **just** share parameters for translation but also other transformations!

. Extreme parameter sharing + equivariance guarantees.

. Active field of research. Amsterdam is a big player in this field. Several papers written at the VU, the UvA and Qualcomm AI Research.*

* Let us know if you are interested in writing your thesis in this topic ;)

PART FOUR: Example of a real world CNN

AlexNet (Krizhevsky, Alex, Ilya Sutskever, and Geoffrey E. Hinton. "Imagenet classification with deep convolutional neural networks." Advances in neural information processing systems. 2012)

Showed the feasibility of deep learning

- Mainly thanks to the use of GPUs for computing convolutions
- Achieved a top-5 error of 15.3% on a dataset with 1000 categories

By some considered as the real start of adoption of neural networks by the industry

Is actually just a variant on an older idea

- LeCun, Y.; Boser, B.; Denker, J. S.; Henderson, D.; Howard, R. E.; Hubbard, W.; Jackel, L. D. (**1989**). "Backpropagation Applied to Handwritten Zip Code Recognition"

AlexNet

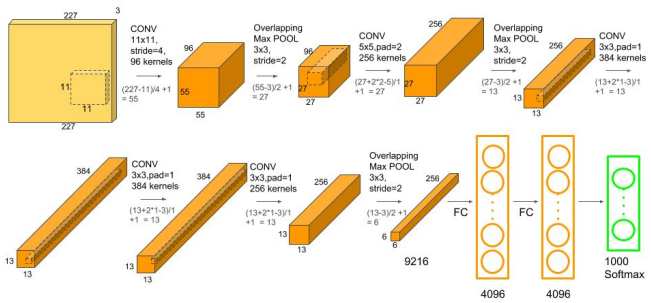

image source: https://www.learnopencv.com/number-of-parameters-and-tensor-sizes-in-convolutional-neural-network/

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Summary

part 1: Introduction - why are convolutional architectures needed?

part 2: One-dimensional convolutional neural networks (conv1D)

part 3: Two-dimensions and beyond (conv2D, conv3D, ...)

part 4: Example architecture

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