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In this lecture series, leading research scientists from leading AI research lab, DeepMind, will give 12 lectures on an exciting selection of topics in Deep Learning, ranging from the fundamentals of training neural networks via advanced ideas around memory, attention, and generative modelling to the important topic of responsible innovation.

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# General information



**Exits:** At the back, the way you came in

Wifi: UCL guest





## TODAY'S SPEAKER Sander Dieleman

Sander Dieleman is a Research Scientist at DeepMind in London, UK, where he he has worked on the development of AlphaGo and WaveNet. He was previously a PhD student at Ghent University, where he conducted research on feature learning and deep learning techniques for learning hierarchical representations of musical audio signals. During his PhD he also developed the deep learning library Lasagne and won solo and team gold medals respectively in Kaggle's "Galaxy Zoo" competition and the first National Data Science Bowl. In the summer of 2014, he interned at Spotify in New York, where he worked on implementing audio-based music recommendation using deep learning on an industrial scale.



TODAY'S LECTURE Convolutional Neural Networks for Image Recognition In the past decade, convolutional neural networks have revolutionised computer vision. In this lecture, we will take a closer look at convolutional network architectures through several case studies, ranging from the early 90's to the current state of the art. We will review some of the building blocks that are in common use today, discuss the challenges of training deep models, and strategies for finding effective architectures, with a focus on image recognition.



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## Convolutional Neural Networks for Image Recognition

Sander Dieleman

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#### **Plan for this lecture**

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01 Background 02 Building blocks 03 Convolutional neural networks

**04** Going deeper: case studies 05 Advanced topics 06 Beyond image recognition







### Last week: neural networks





How can we feed images to a neural network?







A digital image is a 2D grid of pixels.





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A neural network expects a **vector of numbers** as input.















#### Locality and translation invariance



Locality: nearby pixels are more strongly correlated

Translation invariance: meaningful patterns can occur anywhere in the image







### Taking advantage of topological structure





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Weight sharing: use the same network parameters to detect local patterns at many locations in the image



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**Hierarchy**: local low-level features are composed into larger, more abstract features







### Data drives research





#### The ImageNet challenge

- Major computer vision benchmark
- → Ran from 2010 to 2017
- 1.4M images, 1000 classes
- → Image classification

#### Want to learn more?



Russakovsky, Olga et al. *ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge* International Journal of Computer Vision 115.3 (2015)

























## Building blocks

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#### From locally connected to convolutional




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We convolve multiple kernels and obtain multiple feature maps or **channels** 

## Inputs and outputs are tensors









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Valid convolution: output size = input size - kernel size + 1





**Full convolution**: output size = input size + kernel size - 1





**Same convolution**: output size = input size





















Dilated convolution: kernel is spread out, step > 1 between kernel elements





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Depthwise convolution: each output channel is connected only to one input channel



# Pooling



Pooling: compute mean or max over small windows to reduce resolution



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# Convolutional neural networks

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# **Stacking the building blocks**

- ONNs or "convnets"
- Up to 100s of layers
- Alternate convolutions and pooling to create a hierarchy



### **Recap: neural networks as computational graphs**







## Simplified diagram: implicit parameters and loss





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### **Computational building blocks of convnets**

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input

nonlinearity



pooling

# Going deeper: Case studies

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#### LeNet-5 (1998)

Architecture of LeNet-5, a convnet for handwritten digit recognition

#### Want to learn more?



Lecun, Y.; Bottou, L.; Bengio, Y.; Haffner, P. Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition Proceedings of the IEEE 86(11) (1998)









#### AlexNet (2012)



Figure from Krizhevsky et al. (2012)

#### Want to learn more?



Krizhevsky, A.; Sutskever, I.; Hinton, G.E. ImageNet classification with deep convolutional neural networks Neural Information Processing Systems (2012) Architecture: 8 layers, ReLU, dropout, weight decay

Infrastructure: large dataset, trained 6 days on 2 GPUs



#### AlexNet (2012)



Figure from Krizhevsky et al. (2012)








# AlexNet (2012)

Layer 1 **convolution**: kernel 11×11, 96 channels, stride 4  $\rightarrow$  56×56×96

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# **AlexNet (2012)**

Max-pooling: window 2×2 → 28×28×96

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# AlexNet (2012)





# **Deeper is better**

- Each layer is a linear classifier by itself
- More layers more nonlinearities
- What limits the number of layers in convnets?



# **VGGNet (2014): building very deep convnets**

#### Want to learn more?



Simonyan, K.; Zisserman, A. Very deep convolutional networks for large-scale image recognition International Conference on Learning Representations (2015) **Stack** many convolutional layers before pooling Use "same" convolutions to avoid resolution reduction



# VGGNet (2014): stacking 3×3 kernels



Architecture: up to 19 layers, 3×3 kernels only, "same" convolutions

Infrastructure: trained for 2-3 weeks on 4 GPUs (data parallelism)



# **VGGNet (2014): error plateaus after 16 layers**





# **Challenges of depth**

# Computational complexity

Optimisation difficulties



# **Improving optimisation**

## Careful initialisation

- Sophisticated optimisers
- Normalisation layers
- Network design



# GoogLeNet (2014)



Figure from Szegedy et al. (2015)



#### Want to learn more?



Szegedy, C. et al. Going deeper with convolutions IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition (2015)



### **Batch normalisation**

**Input:** Values of x over a mini-batch:  $\mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\};$ Parameters to be learned:  $\gamma, \beta$ **Output:**  $\{y_i = BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}$ 

 $\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i$ // mini-batch mean  $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2$ // mini-batch variance  $\widehat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}}$ // normalize  $y_i \leftarrow \gamma \widehat{x}_i + \beta \equiv BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)$ // scale and shift

Figure from loffe et al. (2015)

Want to learn more?



loffe, S.; Szegedy, C. Batch normalization: Accelerating deep network training by reducing internal covariate shift International conference on machine learning (2015)

#### Reduces sensitivity to initialisation

Introduces stochasticity and acts as a regulariser



# **Batch normalisation**



# **ResNet (2015): residual connections**



residual connection

#### Want to learn more?



He, K. et al. Deep residual learning for image recognition IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition (2016)

**Residual connections** facilitate training deeper networks



# **ResNet (2015): different flavours**







#### Want to learn more?



He, K. et al. Identity mappings in deep residual networks European conference on computer vision (2016) **ResNet V2** (bottom) avoids all nonlinearities in the residual pathway



# ResNet (2015): up to 152 layers

layer name	output size	18-layer	34-layer	50-layer	101-layer	152-layer	
conv1	112×112	7×7, 64, stride 2					
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conv2_x	56×56	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,64\\ 3\times3,64 \end{array}\right]\times2$	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,64\\ 3\times3,64 \end{array}\right]\times3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 64 \\ 3 \times 3, 64 \\ 1 \times 1, 256 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 64 \\ 3 \times 3, 64 \\ 1 \times 1, 256 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 64 \\ 3 \times 3, 64 \\ 1 \times 1, 256 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	
conv3_x	28×28	$\begin{bmatrix} 3\times3, 128\\ 3\times3, 128 \end{bmatrix} \times 2$	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,128\\3\times3,128\end{array}\right]\times4$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 128 \\ 3 \times 3, 128 \\ 1 \times 1, 512 \end{bmatrix} \times 4$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 128\\ 3 \times 3, 128\\ 1 \times 1, 512 \end{bmatrix} \times 4$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 128 \\ 3 \times 3, 128 \\ 1 \times 1, 512 \end{bmatrix} \times 8$	
conv4_x	14×14	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,256\\ 3\times3,256\end{array}\right]\times2$	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,256\\ 3\times3,256\end{array}\right]\times6$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 256\\ 3 \times 3, 256\\ 1 \times 1, 1024 \end{bmatrix} \times 6$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 256 \\ 3 \times 3, 256 \\ 1 \times 1, 1024 \end{bmatrix} \times 23$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 256 \\ 3 \times 3, 256 \\ 1 \times 1, 1024 \end{bmatrix} \times 36$	
conv5_x	7×7	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,512\\ 3\times3,512\end{array}\right]\times2$	$\left[\begin{array}{c} 3\times3,512\\ 3\times3,512\end{array}\right]\times3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 512 \\ 3 \times 3, 512 \\ 1 \times 1, 2048 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 512 \\ 3 \times 3, 512 \\ 1 \times 1, 2048 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1, 512 \\ 3 \times 3, 512 \\ 1 \times 1, 2048 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	
	1×1	average pool, 1000-d fc, softmax					
FLOPs		$1.8 \times 10^{9}$	$3.6 \times 10^9$	$3.8 \times 10^9$	$7.6 \times 10^9$	$11.3 \times 10^9$	

Table from He et al. (2015)



## **DenseNet (2016): connect layers to all previous layers**







# Squeeze-and-excitation networks (2017)



#### Want to learn more?



Hu, J.; Shen, L.; Sun, G. **Squeeze-and-excitation networks** IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition (2018)

#### Features can incorporate global context



# AmoebaNet (2018): neural architecture search







Figure from Real et al. (2019)

#### Want to learn more?



Real, E. et al. Regularized evolution for image classifier architecture search AAAI conference on artificial intelligence (2019)

#### Architecture found by evolution

Search acyclic graphs composed of predefined layers



# **Reducing complexity**

- Depthwise convolutions
- Separable convolutions
- Inverted bottlenecks (MobileNetV2, MNasNet, EfficientNet)





Advanced topics

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# Data augmentation



#### By design, convnets are only robust against **translation**

**Data augmentation** makes them robust against other transformations: rotation, scaling, shearing, warping, ...



















# Visualising what a convnet learns



Figures from Zeiler et al. (2014)

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# Visualising what a convnet learns



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# Visualising what a convnet learns





volcano

Figure from Nguyen et al. (2016)

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# **Feature Visualization**

How neural networks build up their understanding of images

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Edges (layer conv2d0)

Parts (layers mixed4b & mixed4c)

Objects (layers mixed4d & mixed4e)

Feature visualization allows us to see how GoogLeNet<sup>[1]</sup>, trained on the ImageNet<sup>[2]</sup> dataset, builds up its understanding of images over many layers. Visualizations of all channels are available in the appendix.

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# **Other topics to explore**

- Pre-training and fine-tuning
- Group equivariant convnets: invariance to e.g. rotation
- Recurrence and attention: other building blocks to exploit topological structure

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# What else can we do with convnets?

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# **Generative models of images**

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## **More convnets**

- Representation learning and self-supervised learning
- Convnets for video, audio, text, graphs, ...

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Convolutional neural networks replaced **handcrafted features** With **handcrafted architectures**.

> Prior knowledge is not obsolete: it is merely incorporated at a higher level of abstraction.

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## Thank you

## Questions

