

# BLUE WATERS - GEO

MAPPING AND MODELING THE WORLD

## The Geometry of Data

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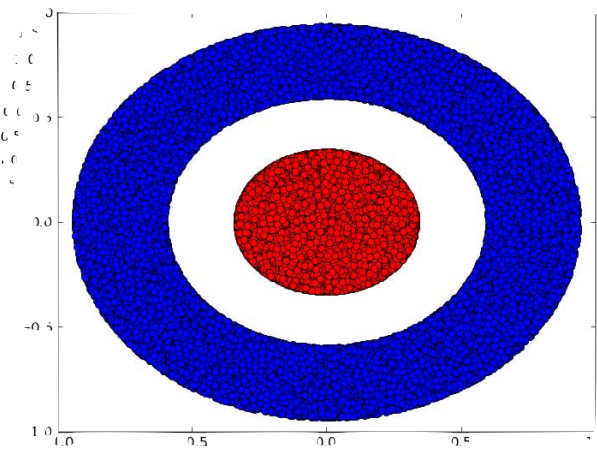
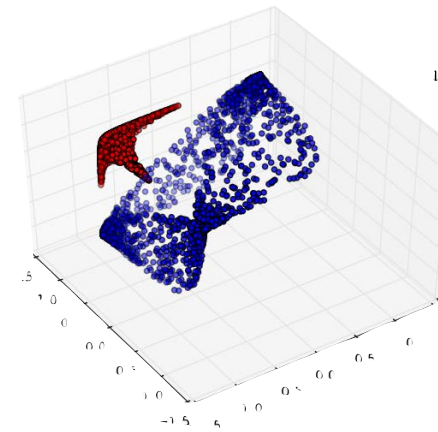
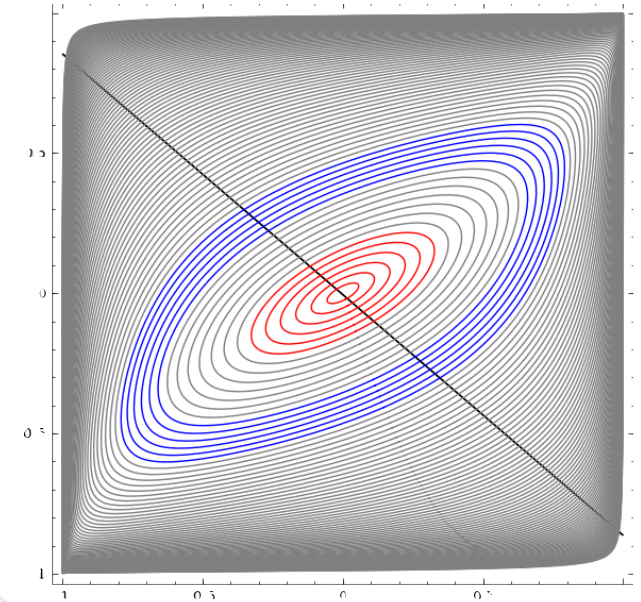


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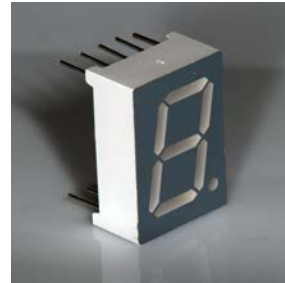
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- Inspired by Christopher Olah blog post
  - [Neural Networks, Manifolds, and Topology](https://colah.github.io/posts/2014-03-NN-Manifolds-Topology/)  
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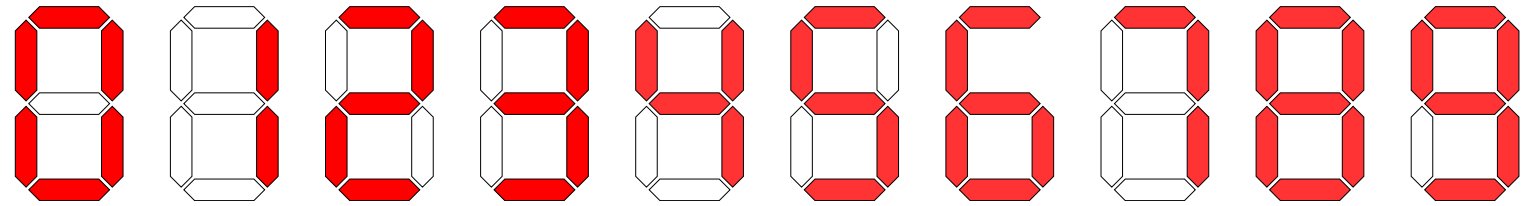
# Toy Example Problem

## Seven Segment Display



### Representations

Seven Segment



Arabic Numeral

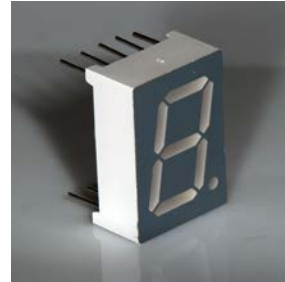
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Breadboard  
Voltage Vector  
(1-High, 0-Low)

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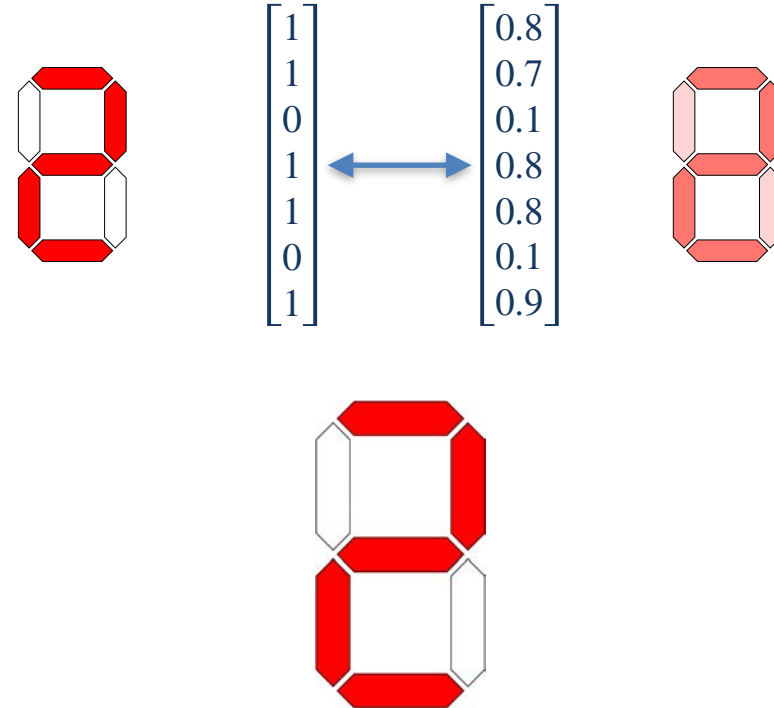
# Toy Example Problem

## Seven Segment Display



### Malfunctioning: 2 or 8 ?

- Simple way to add noise
  - $x + \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- Nonlinear way to add noise
  - $x + \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  if  $x \in \{2,3,5\}$  else  $x + \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$
- Selection Bias
  - $x + \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  Model Training
  - $x + \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$  Model Validation/Deployed
- What can a neural network do for us?

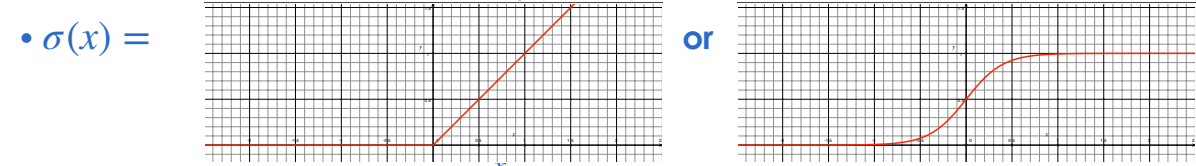




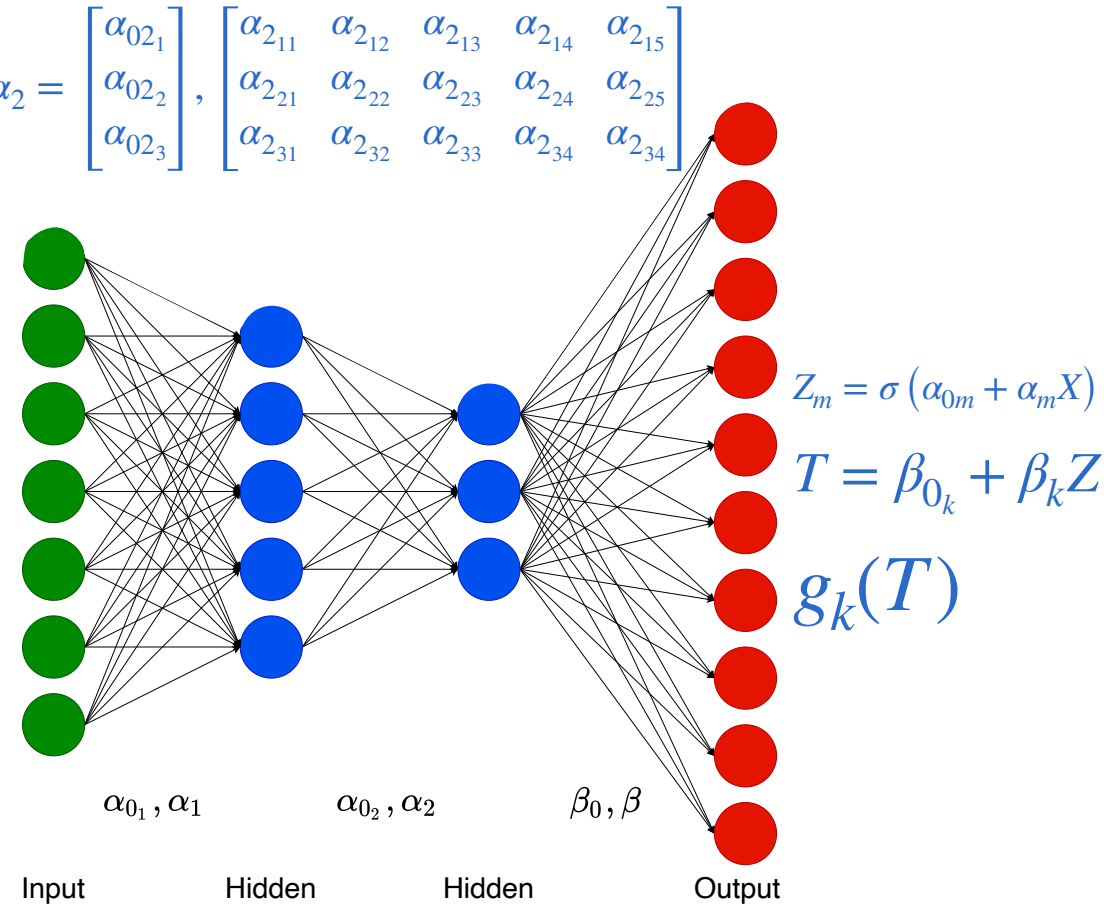
# Neural Network, A Basic Exercise

Input:  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$     Weights:  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{01_1} \\ \alpha_{01_2} \\ \alpha_{01_3} \\ \alpha_{01_4} \\ \alpha_{01_4} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{11_1} & \alpha_{11_2} & \alpha_{11_3} & \alpha_{11_4} & \alpha_{11_5} & \alpha_{11_6} & \alpha_{11_7} \\ \alpha_{12_1} & \alpha_{12_2} & \alpha_{12_3} & \alpha_{12_4} & \alpha_{12_5} & \alpha_{12_6} & \alpha_{12_7} \\ \alpha_{13_1} & \alpha_{13_2} & \alpha_{13_3} & \alpha_{13_4} & \alpha_{13_5} & \alpha_{13_6} & \alpha_{13_7} \\ \alpha_{14_1} & \alpha_{14_2} & \alpha_{14_3} & \alpha_{14_4} & \alpha_{14_5} & \alpha_{14_6} & \alpha_{14_7} \\ \alpha_{15_1} & \alpha_{15_2} & \alpha_{15_3} & \alpha_{15_4} & \alpha_{15_5} & \alpha_{15_6} & \alpha_{15_7} \end{bmatrix}$      $\alpha_2, \alpha_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{20_1} \\ \alpha_{20_2} \\ \alpha_{20_3} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{21_1} & \alpha_{21_2} & \alpha_{21_3} & \alpha_{21_4} & \alpha_{21_5} \\ \alpha_{22_1} & \alpha_{22_2} & \alpha_{22_3} & \alpha_{22_4} & \alpha_{22_5} \\ \alpha_{23_1} & \alpha_{23_2} & \alpha_{23_3} & \alpha_{23_4} & \alpha_{23_4} \end{bmatrix}$

- $\alpha_1 X$  is a 5x1 vector in this example
- there are 5 "Hidden Units" in the first layer of this example
- $\sigma(x)$  is applied pointwise to  $\alpha_{0m} + \alpha_m X$



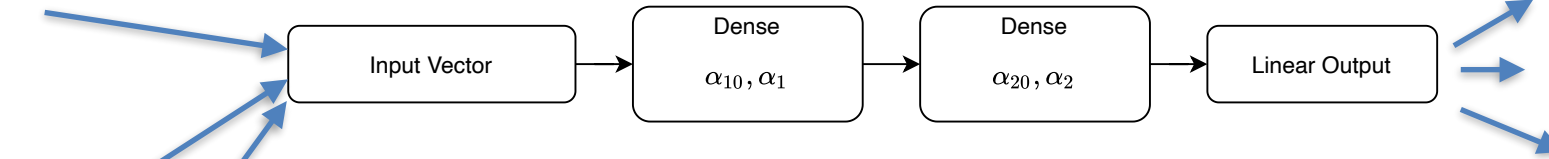
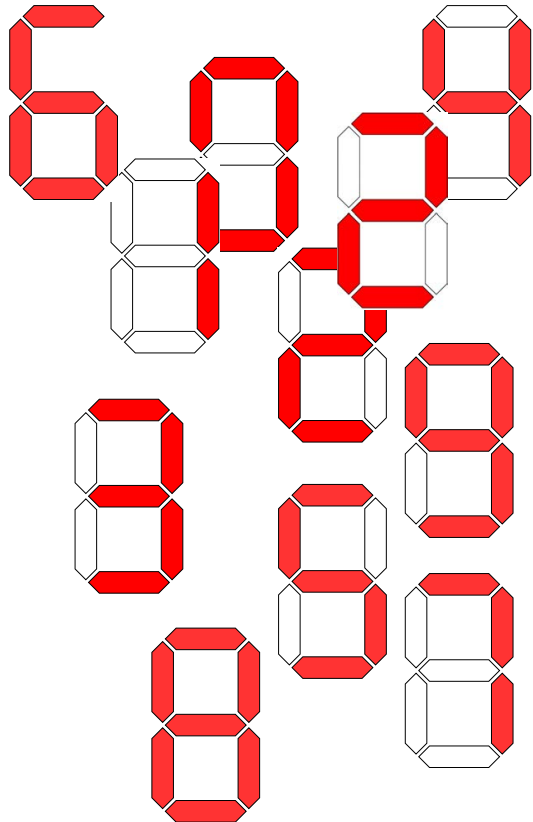
- $g_k(x)$  is soft max,  $g_k(x) = \frac{e^{x_k}}{\sum_i e^{x_i}}$ ,  $k$  is the number of classifications
- $Z_m$  is often called a "Dense Layer"
  - $\alpha_{0m}, \alpha_m$  along with the choice of  $\sigma(x)$  completely describe the  $m$ 'th "Dense Layer"
- 10 classifications, model output is a 10 dimensional vector
  - Final classification is read as "argmax" of output



# Neural Network, A Basic Exercise

Apply 2 layer NN to Seven Segment Display

The crux is finding the right  $\alpha_*$ 's



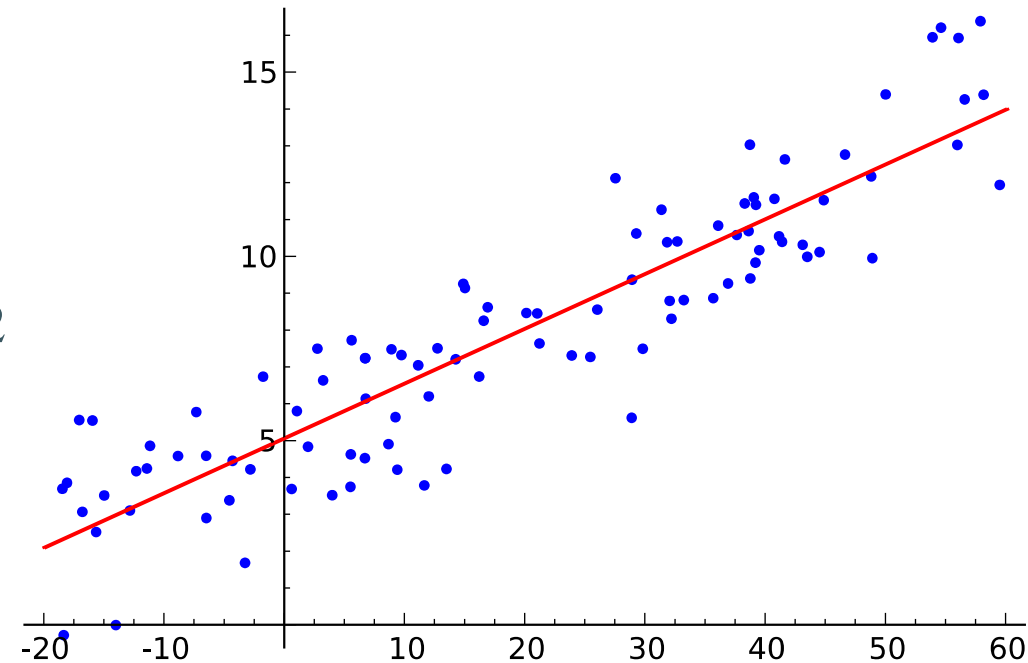
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# Machine Learning Is Just Curve Fitting

- Simple  $y = m \cdot x + b$  regression
  - Goal: Find  $m, b$
  - With data set  $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$
  - Let the error be

$$R = \sum_{i=1}^n [(y_i - (m \cdot x_i + b))]^2$$

- Minimize  $R$  with respect to  $m$  and  $b$ .
- In practice we consider more general  $y = f(x)$ 
  - Many more  $\alpha$ 's





# Gradient Descent

- Searching for minimum of

- $R = \sum_i [y_i - f_{\alpha_t}(x_i)]^2$

- $\nabla R = \langle R_{\alpha_1}, R_{\alpha_2}, \dots, R_{\alpha_n} \rangle$

- $R$  and  $\nabla R$  is a sum over  $i$

- Update parameters

- $R(\vec{\alpha}_{t+1}) = R(\vec{\alpha}_t + \gamma \nabla R)$

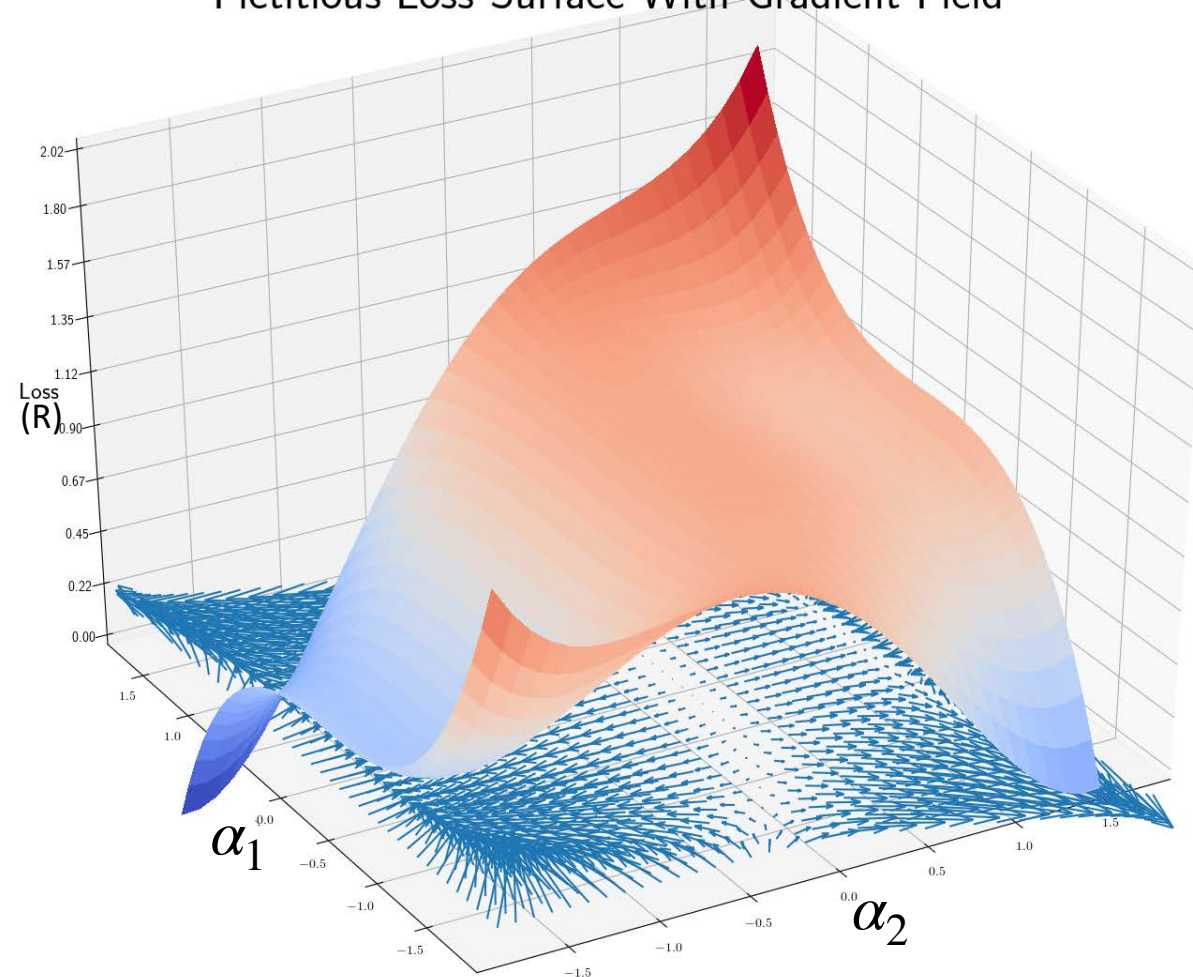
- $\gamma$ : Learning Rate

- Some Other Loss Function

- Root Mean Square,  $R = \sqrt{\sum_i^n [(y_i - f_{\alpha_*}(x_i))]^2}$

- Cross Entropy,  $\tilde{R} = - \sum_i^M (y_i) \log(f_{\alpha_*}(x_i))$

Fictitious Loss Surface With Gradient Field

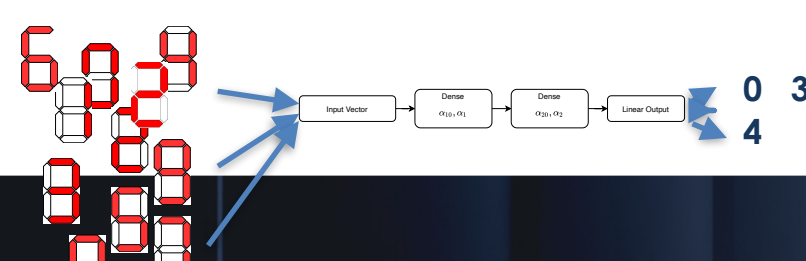
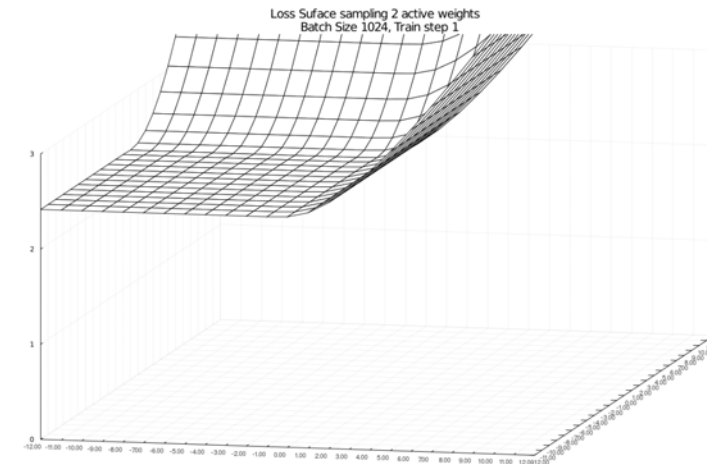
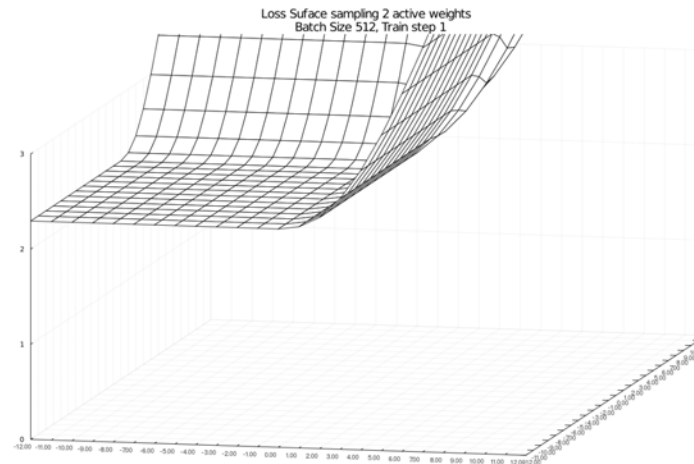
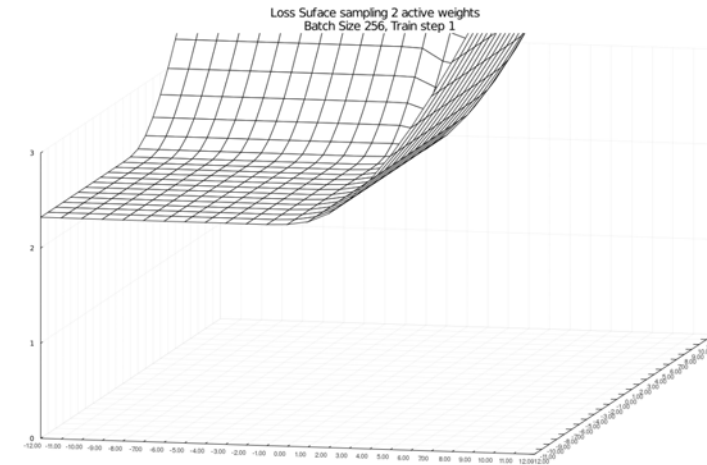
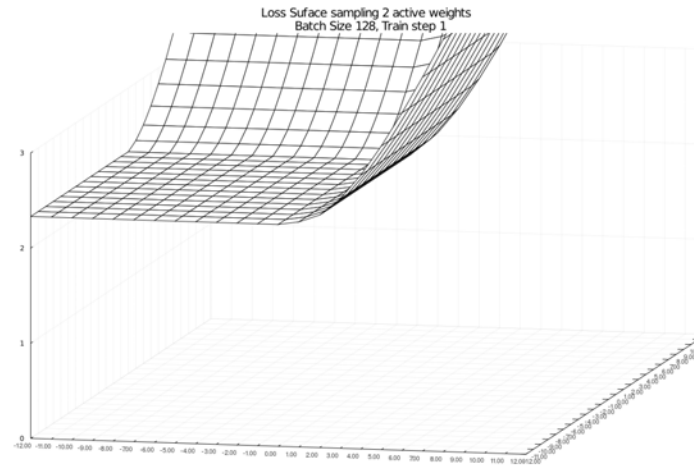


# Stochastic Gradient Decent

- Single training example,  $(x_i, y_i)$ , Sum over only one training example
- $$\nabla R_{(x_i, y_i)} = \left\langle R_{\alpha_1}, R_{\alpha_2}, \dots, R_{\alpha_n} \right\rangle_{(x_i, y_i)}$$
- $$R_{(x_i, y_i)}(\vec{\alpha}_{t+1}) = R_{(x_i, y_i)}(\vec{\alpha}_t + \gamma \nabla R)$$
- $\gamma$ : Learning Rate
- Choose next  $(x_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$ , (Shuffled training set)
- SGD with mini batches
- Many training example,  $(x_i, y_i)$ , Sum over many training example
  - Batch Size or Mini Batch Size (This gets ambiguous with distributed training)
- SGD often outperforms traditional GD, want small batches.
  - <https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.04836>, On Large-Batch Training ... Sharp Minima
  - <https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.04325>, Extremely Large ... in 15 Minutes

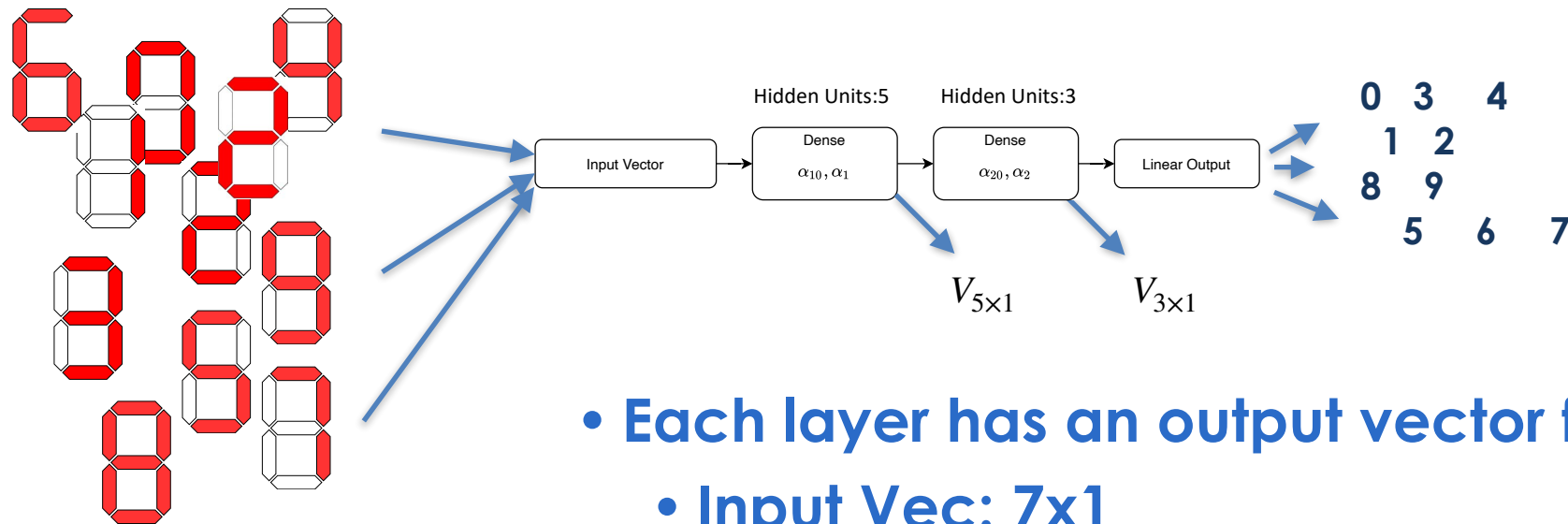
# Neural Network, A Basic Exercise

- Training the model yields a sequence of weights
- Investigate Batch Size: 128, 256, 512, 1024
- We choose the 2 “most active”  $\alpha_*$ 's and sample them
- “most active” is the  $l^2$  norm across training steps





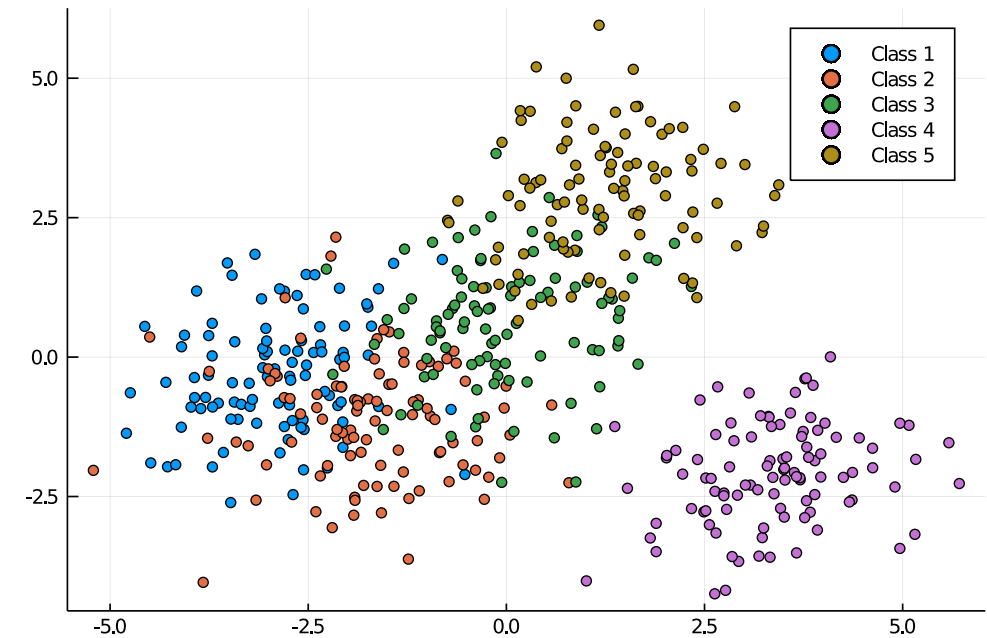
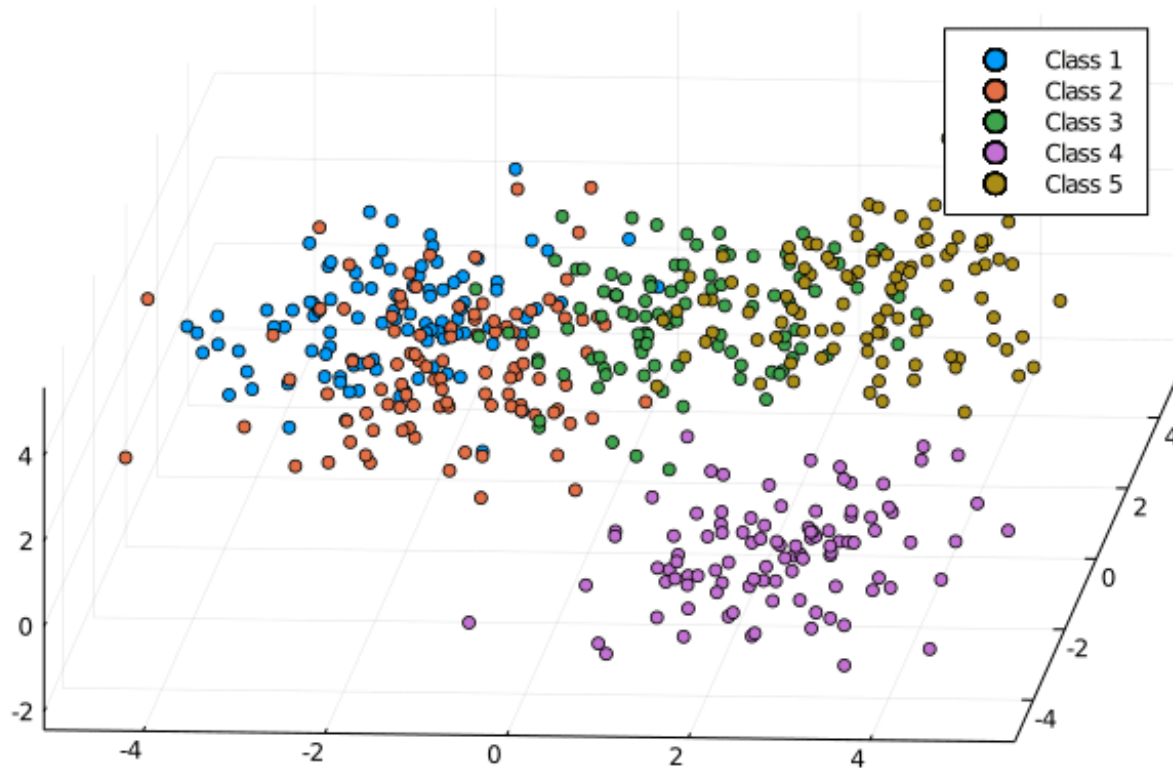
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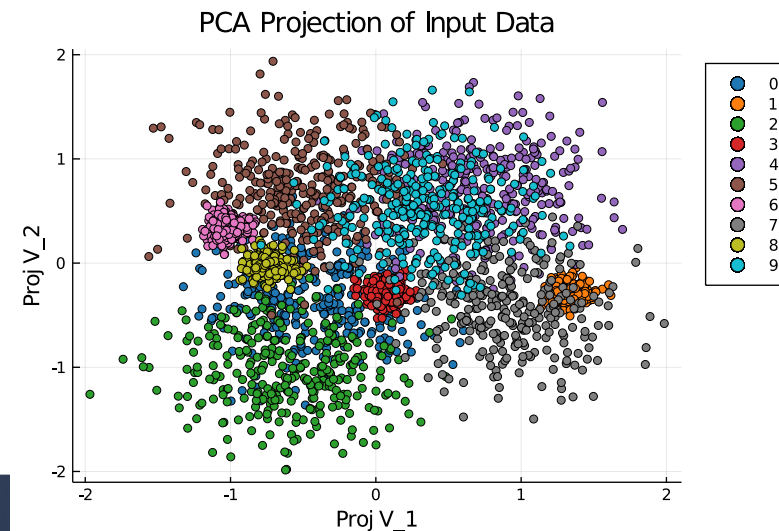
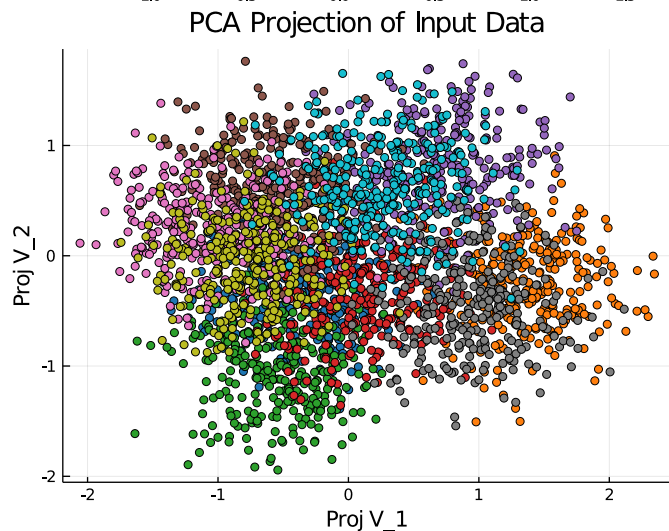
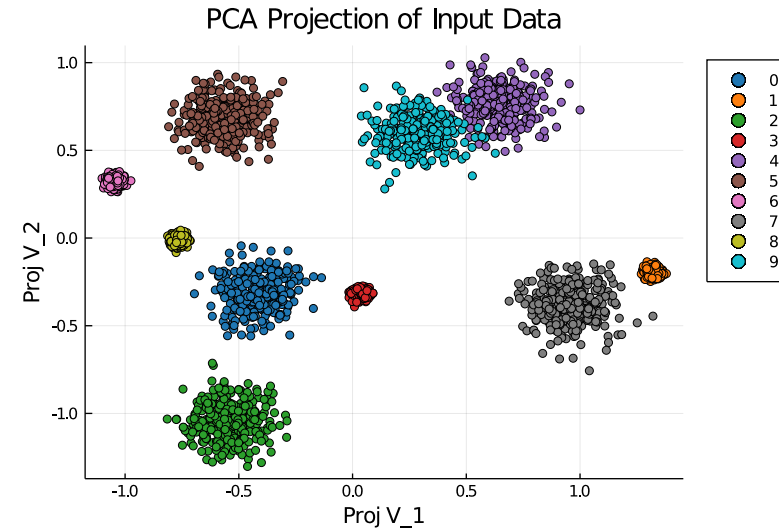
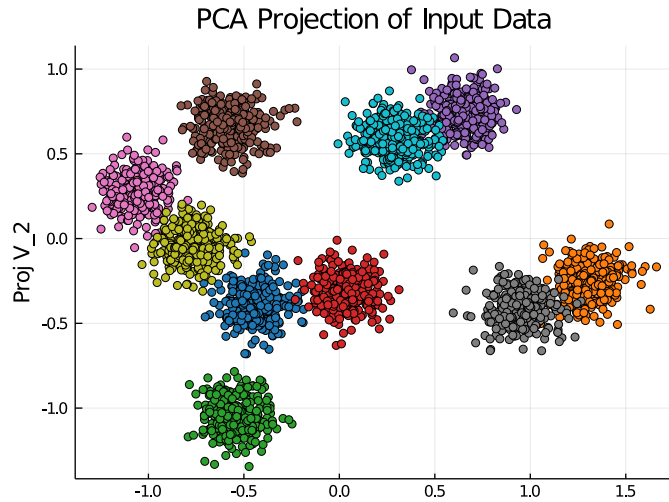
- Each layer has an output vector for each input
  - Input Vec: 7x1
  - Layer 1 Out Vec: 5x1
  - Layer 2 Out Vec: 3x1
- We need a way to visualize higher dimensional vectors

# Projecting To Lower Dimension: Principle Component Analysis (PCA)

- Finds a basis which maximizes variance
  - Notice, this is a linear transformation



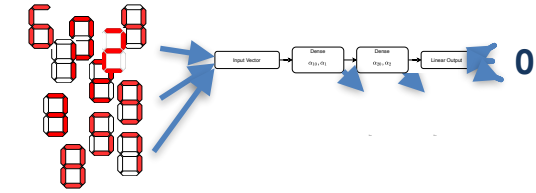
# PCA on Seven Segment Voltage Vector



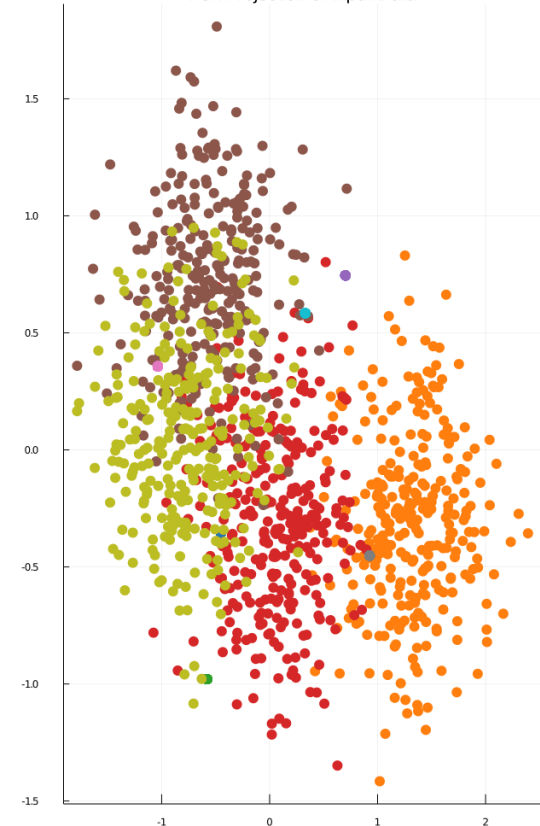


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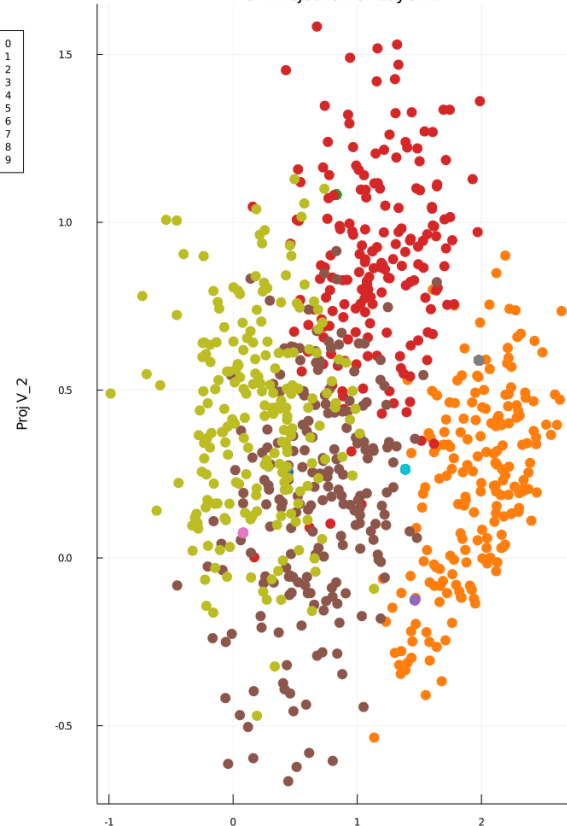
- Hidden Units: 20,10
- Accuracy: Aprox 90%



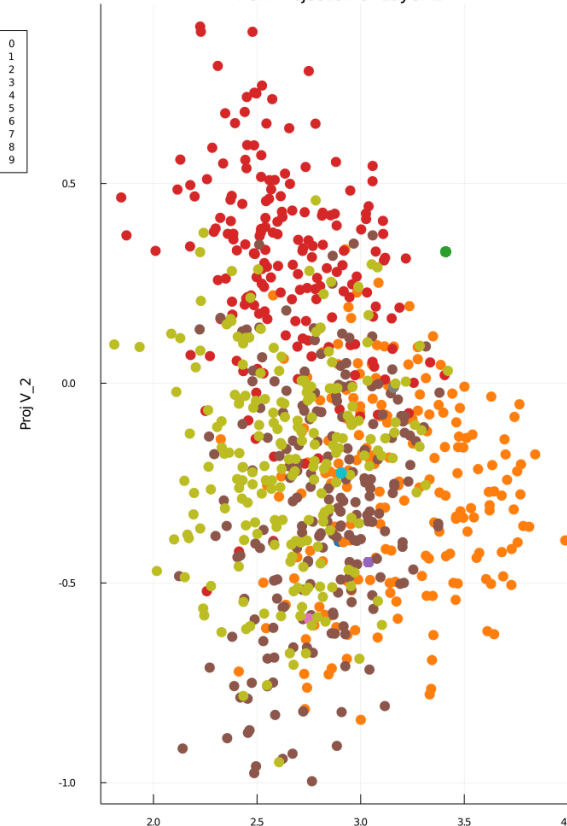
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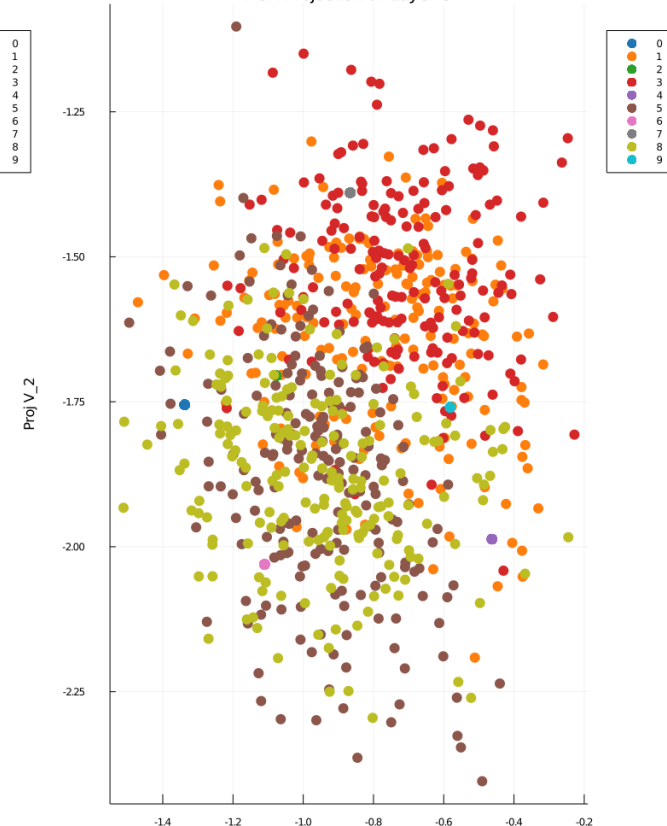
PCA Projection of Layer 1



PCA Projection of Layer 2

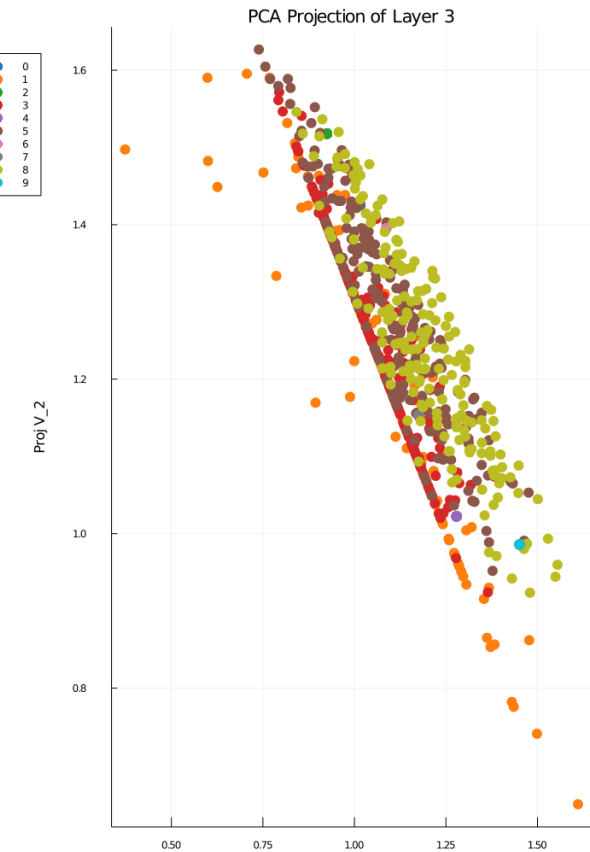
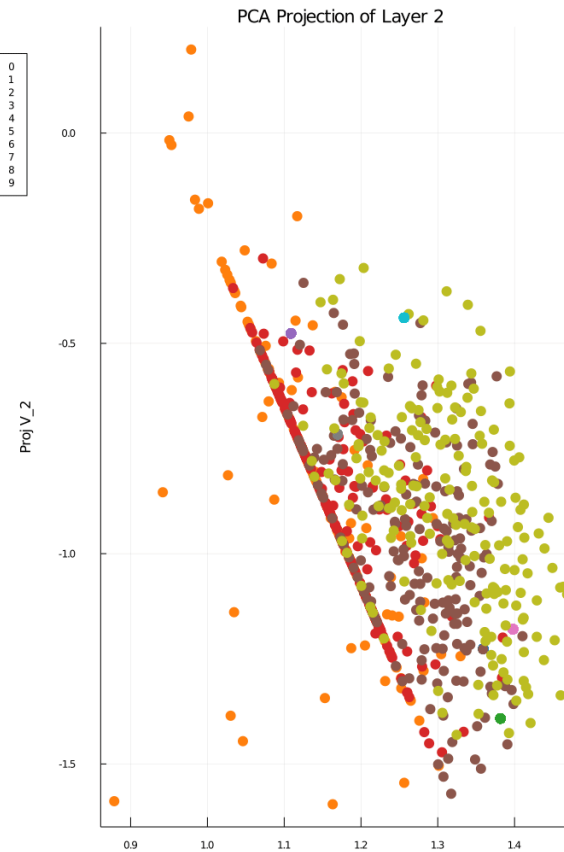
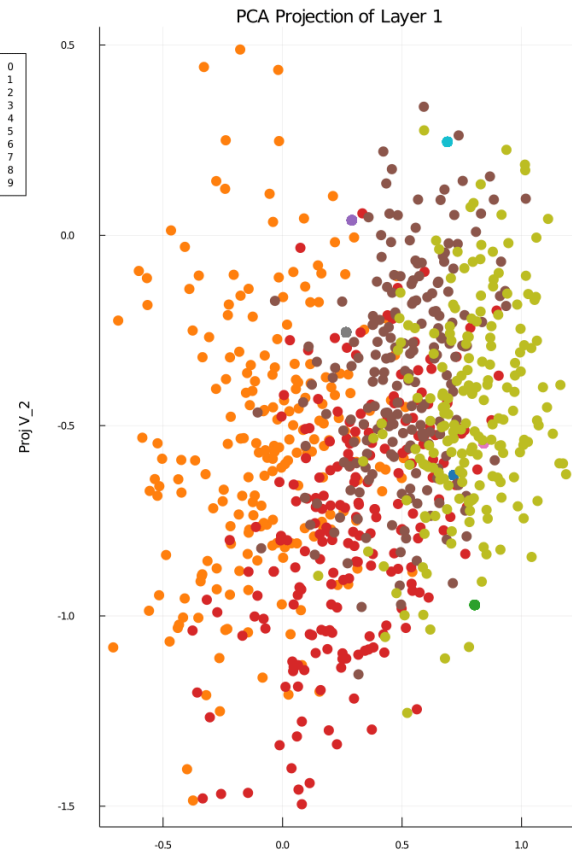
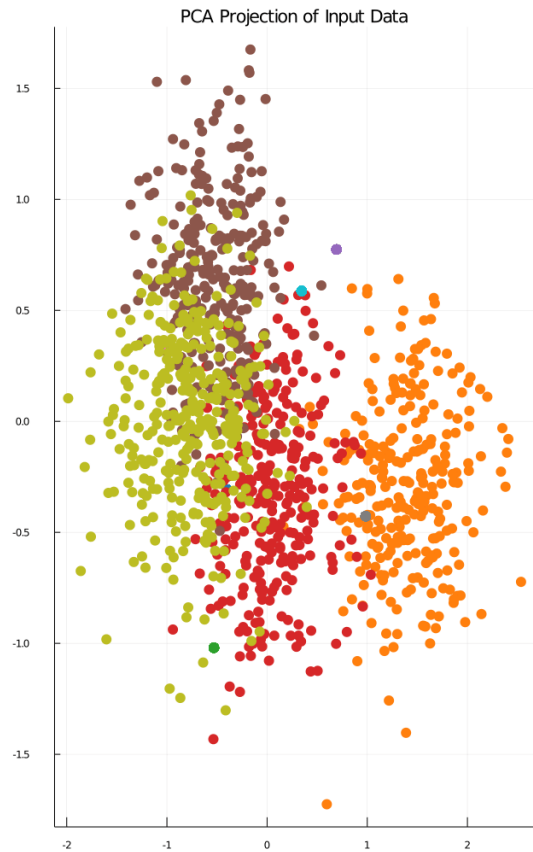
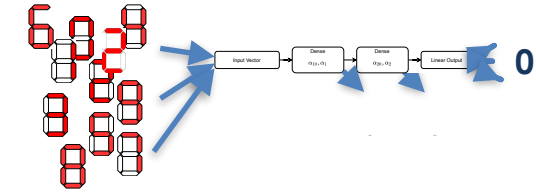


PCA Projection of Layer 3



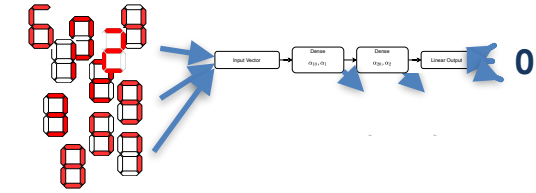
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- Hidden Units: 5,3
- Accuracy: aprox 60%

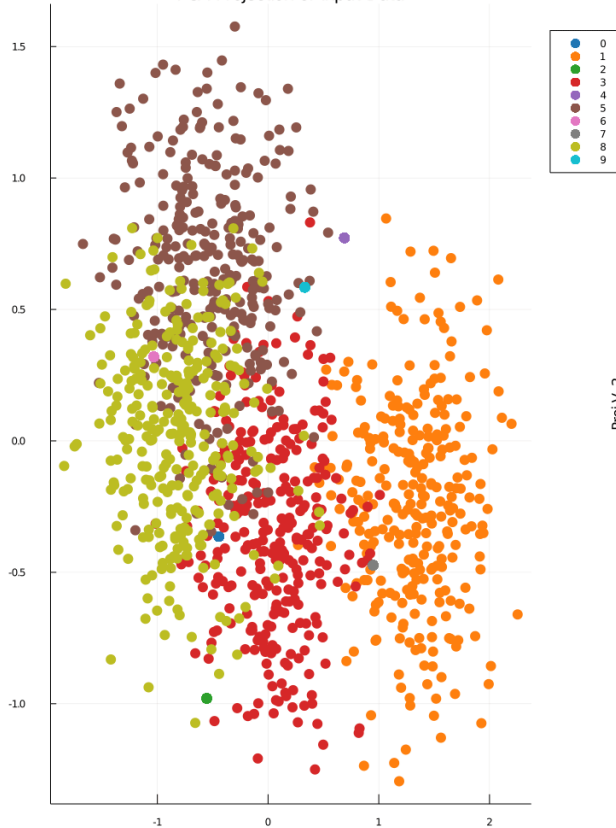


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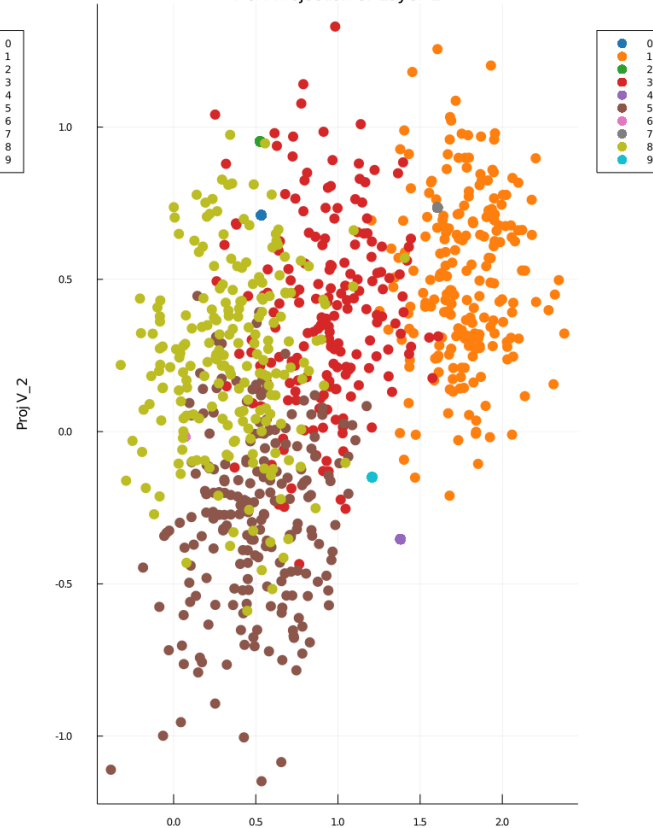
- Hidden Units: 200,100
- Accuracy: Aprox 97%



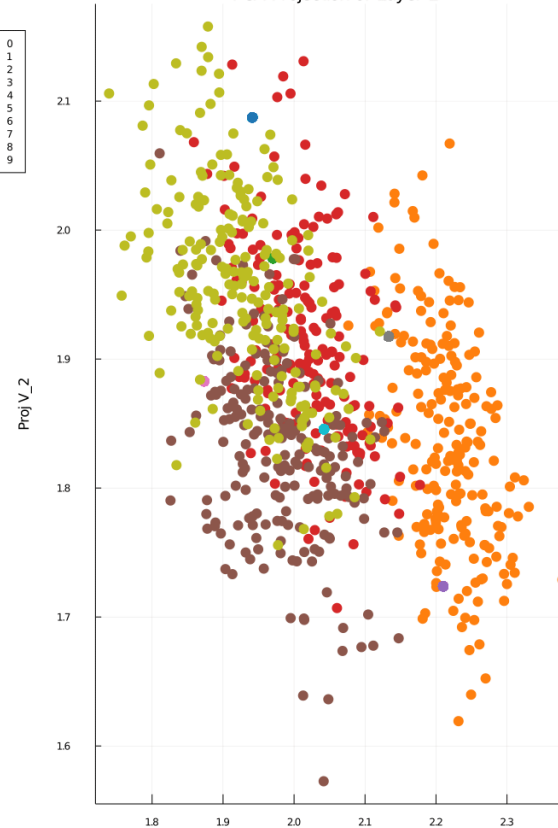
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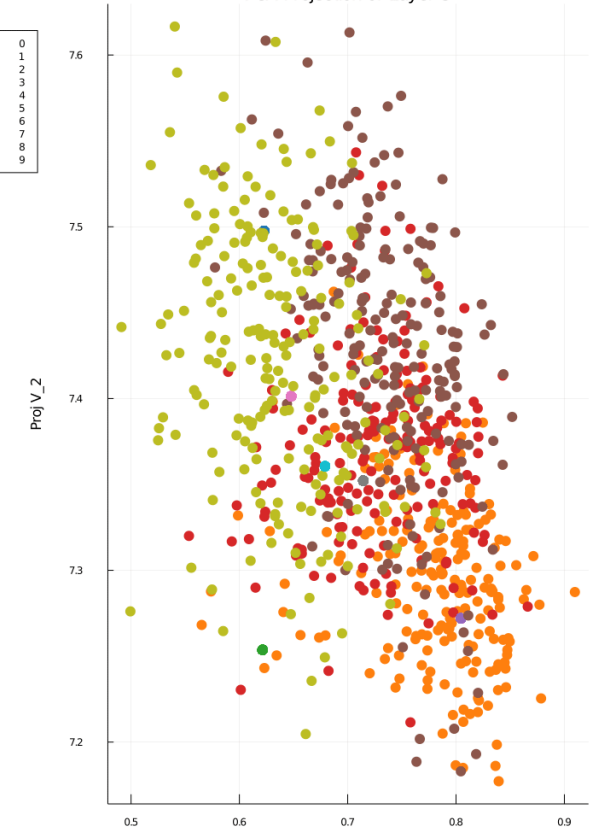
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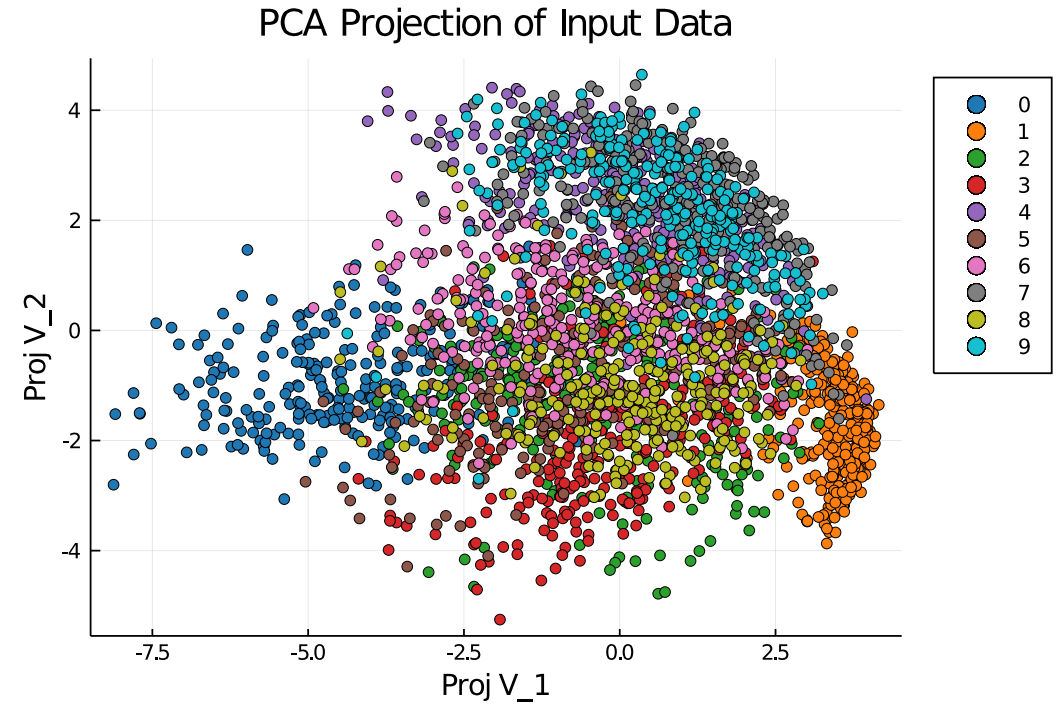
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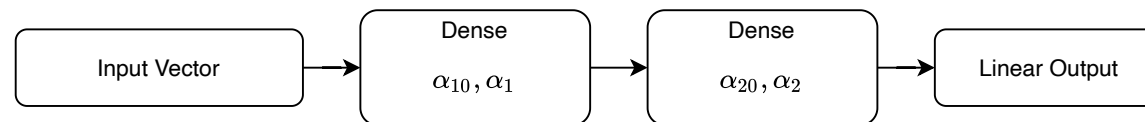
# MNIST Data Set

- Standard Dataset of Hand Written Arabic Numeral
- 28x28 Pixels
- 1 channel



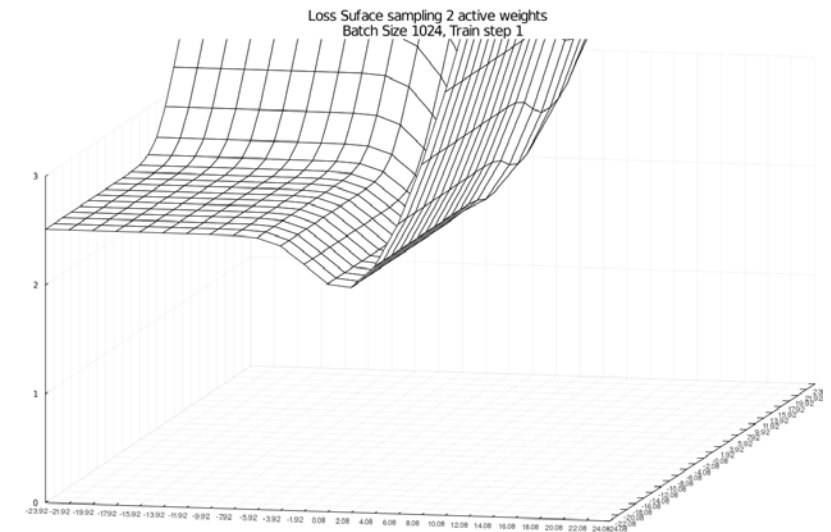
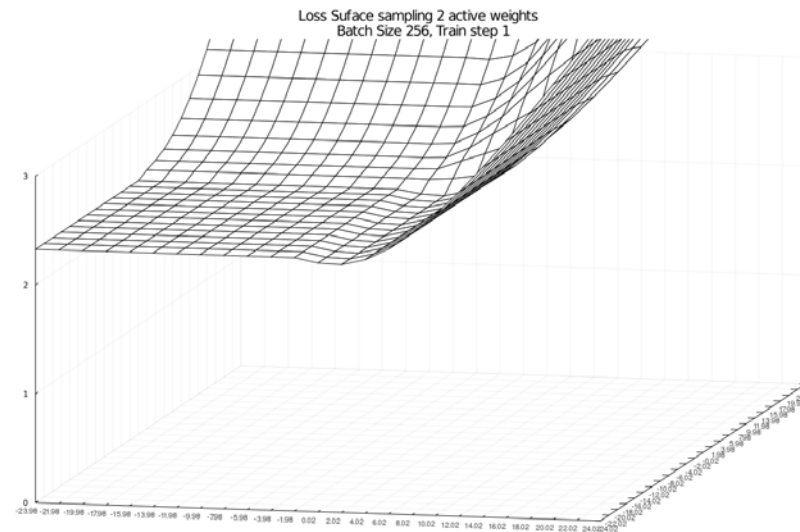
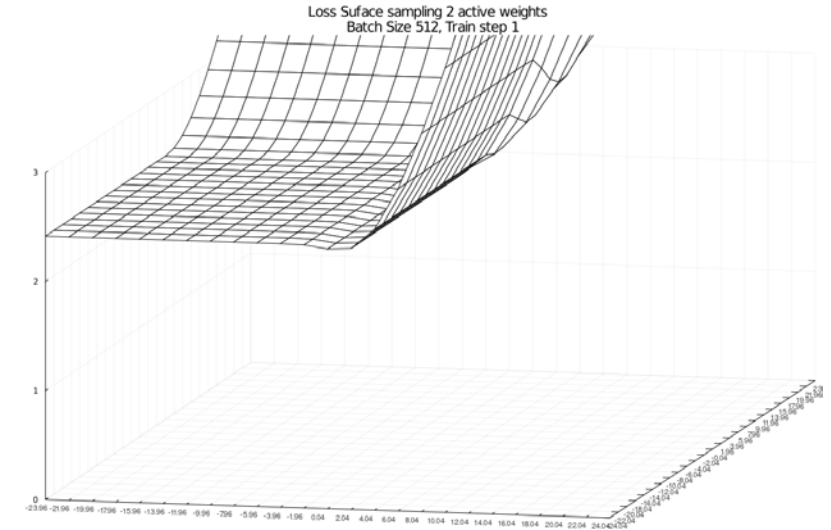
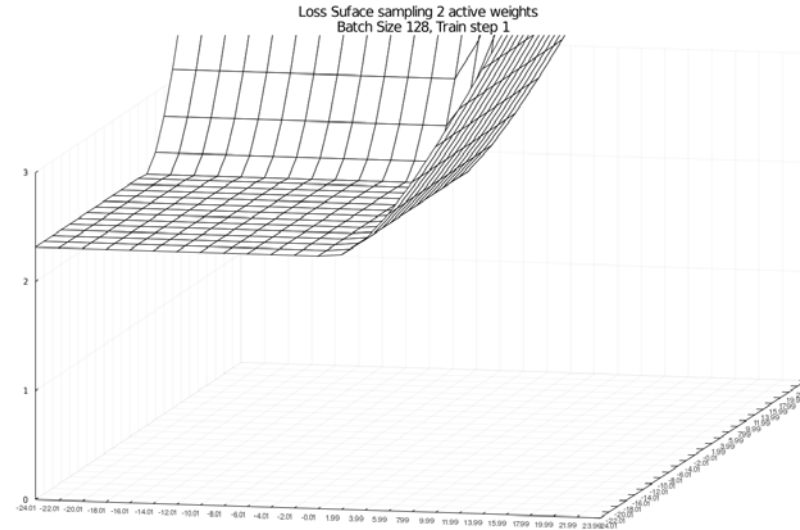
PCA MNIST Flattened Image Vectors

- Lets try this NN again



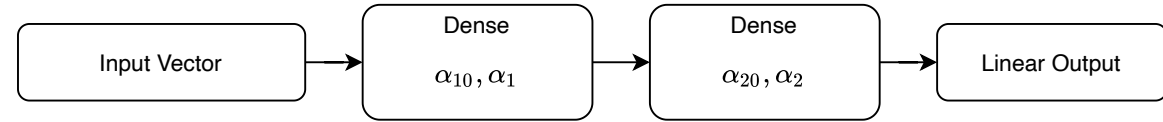
# MNIST Example

- MNIST is a dataset of hand written Arabic Numerals (Images)
- Same NN as Seven Segment Display

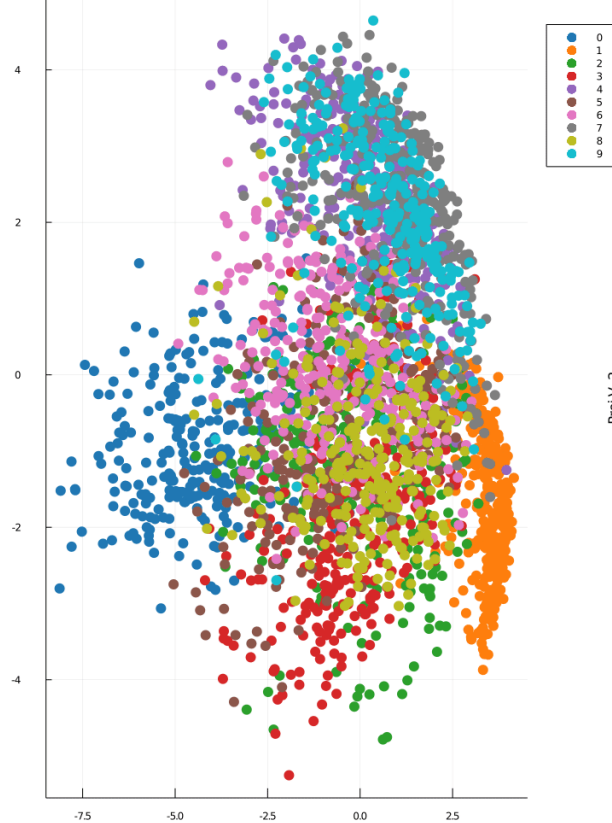


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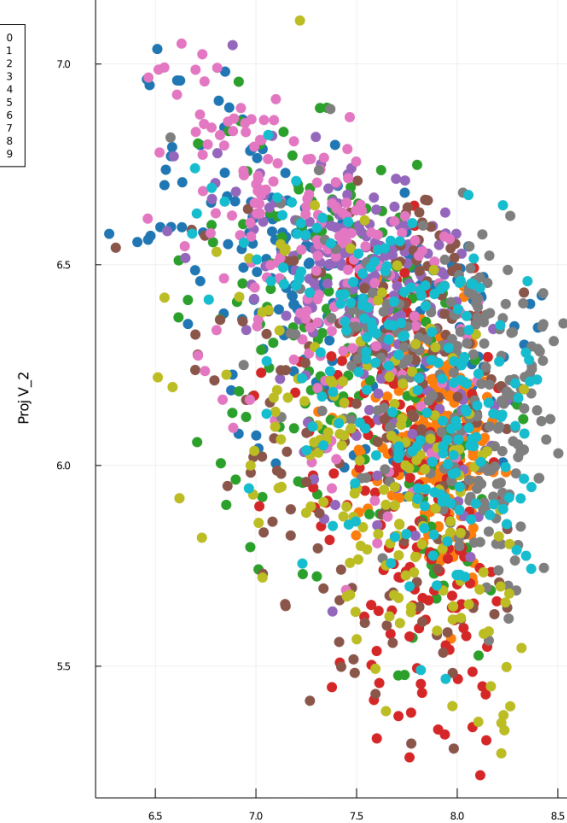
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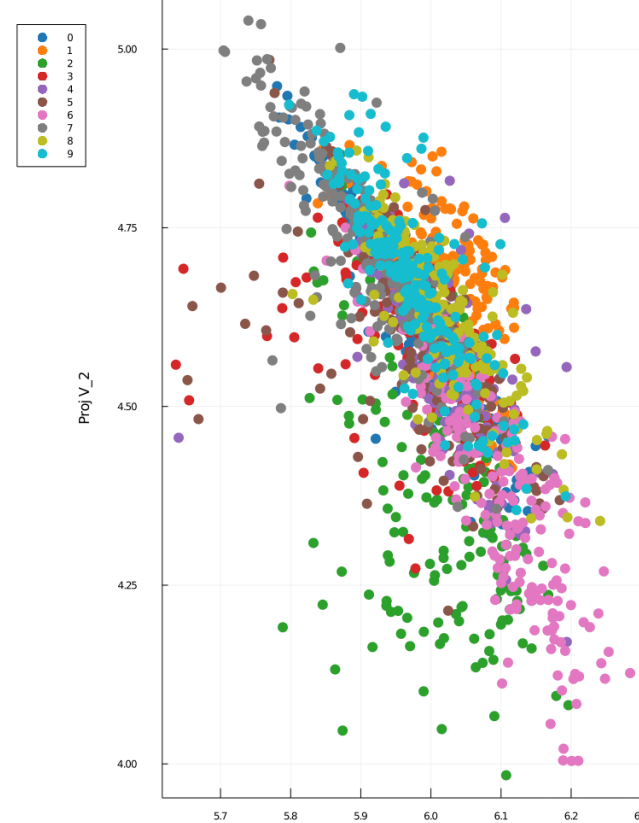
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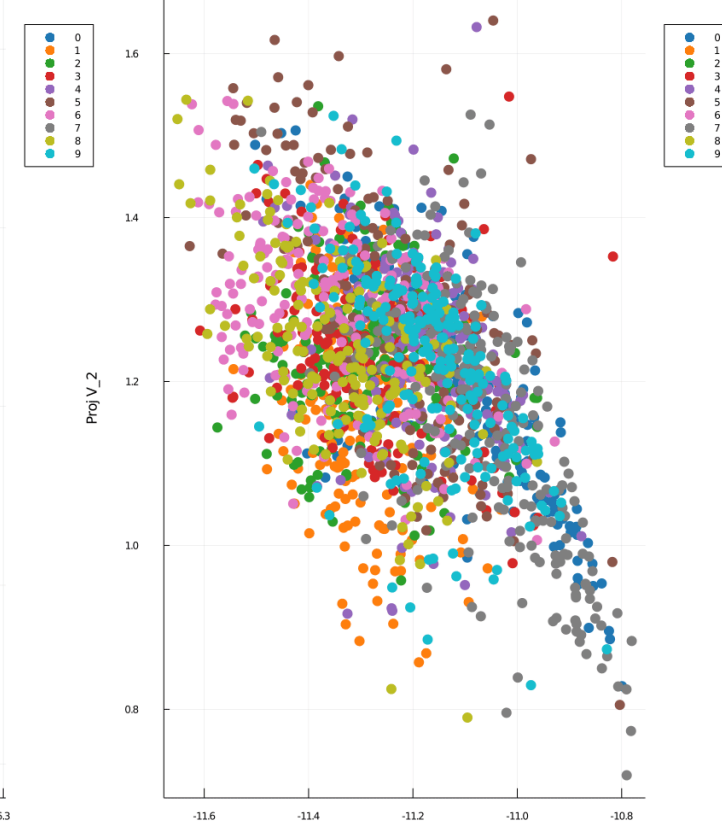
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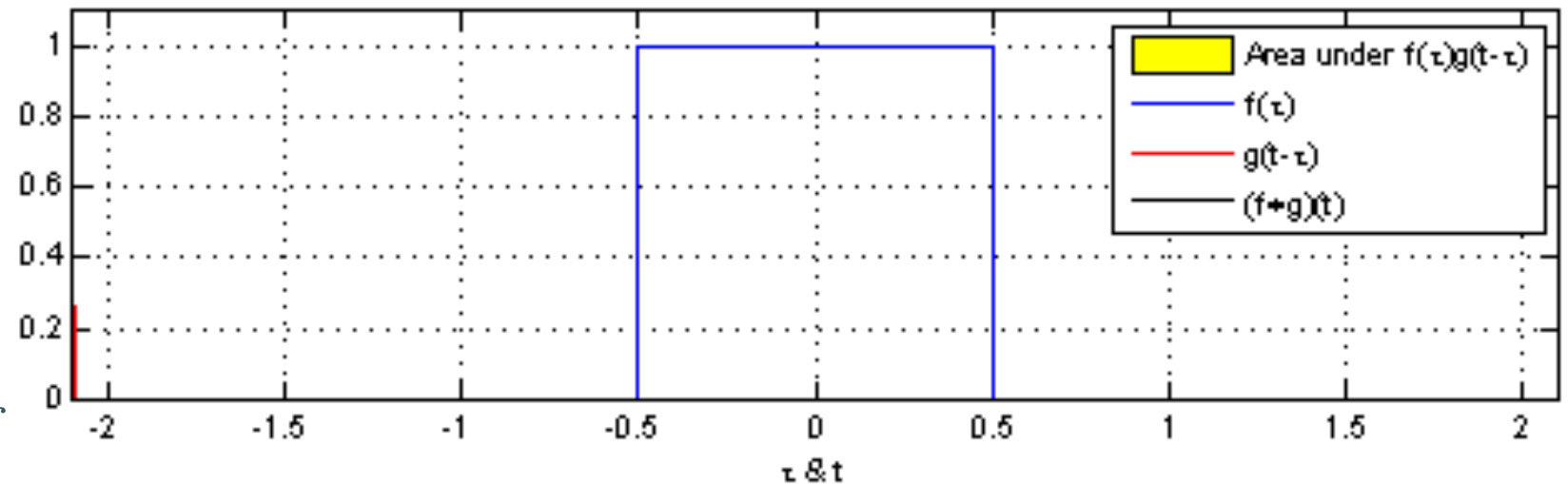


# MNIST Example: Convolutions!

## Convolutions

- For two functions,  $f(x)$ ,  $g(x)$

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y)g(x - y) dy$$



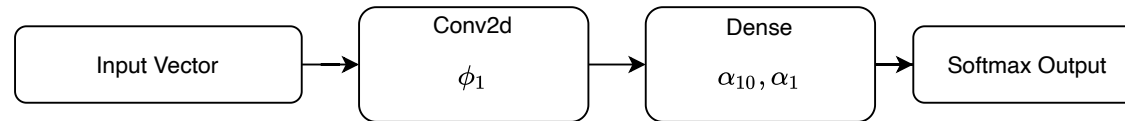
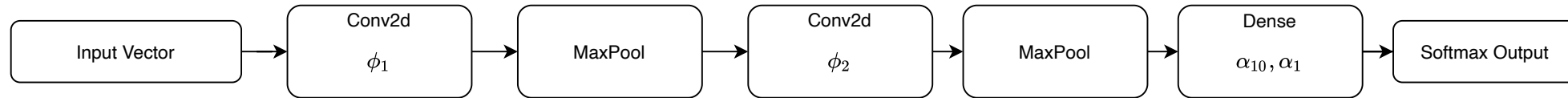
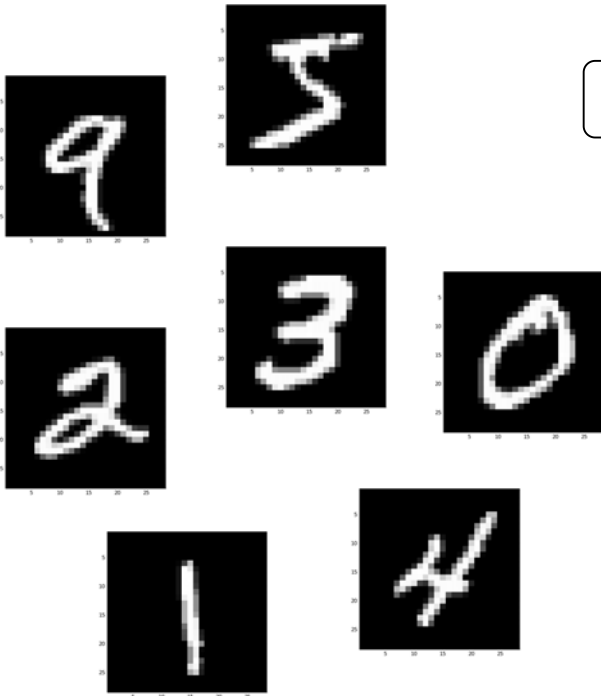
- $g$  is the kernel to  $f$
- Above is a rolling average

# Demo

<http://setosa.io/ev/image-kernels/>

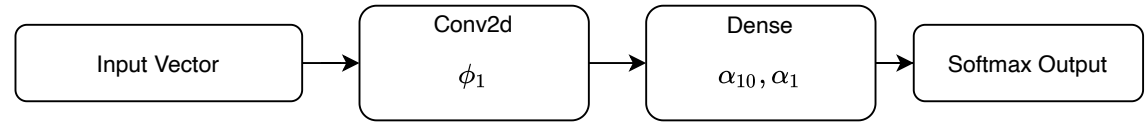
# MNIST Example: Convolutional Neural Net (CNN)

- Let's Consider 2 model architectures and compare.
- $\phi_i$  are filters (or kernels)
- Trainable Parameters

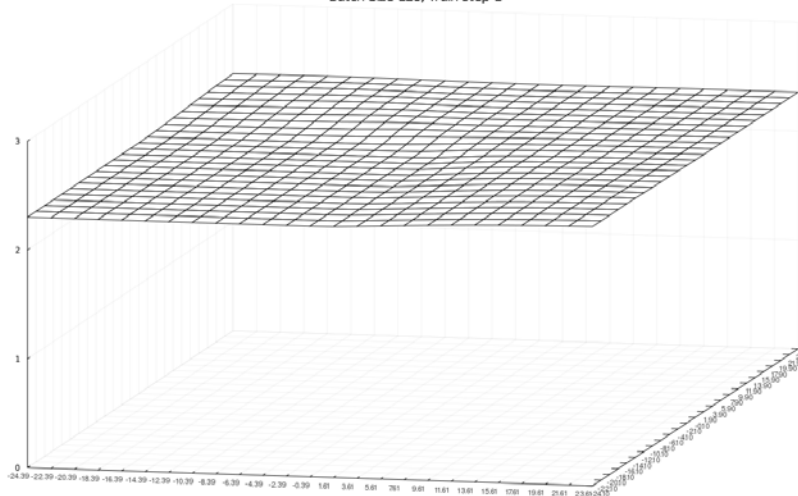




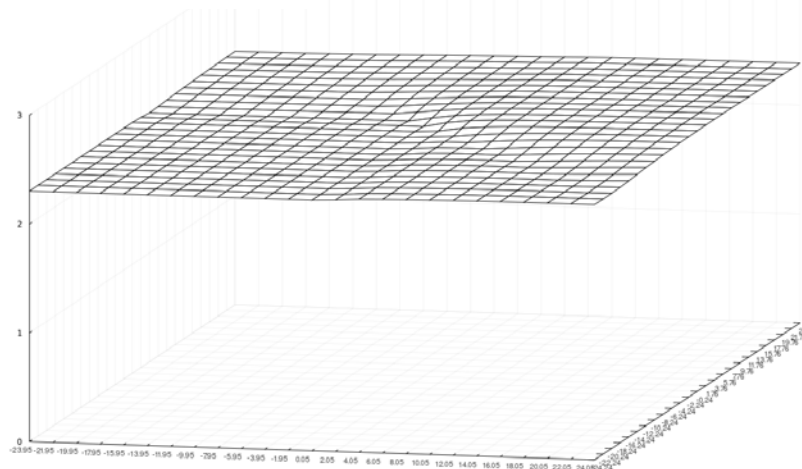
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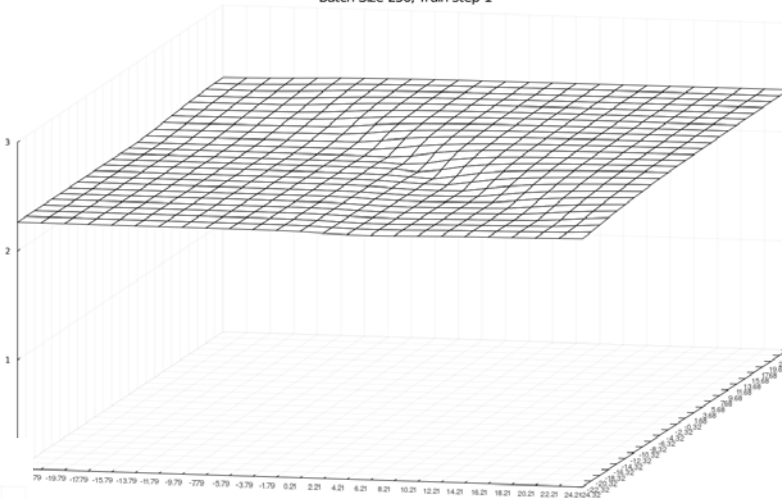
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Batch Size 128, Train step 1



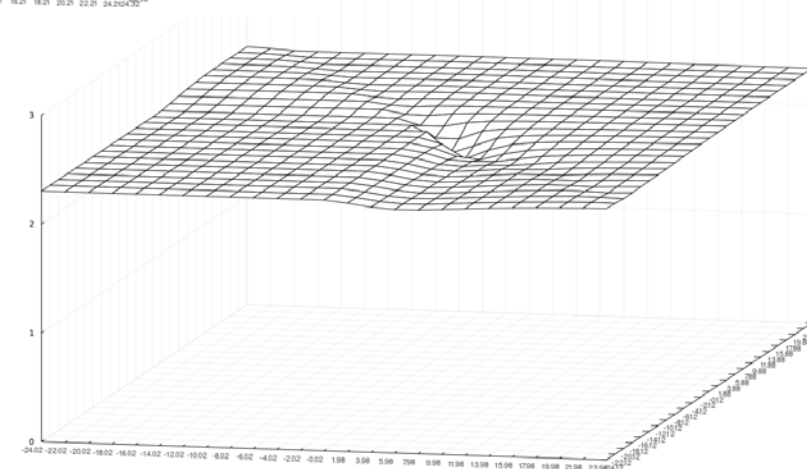
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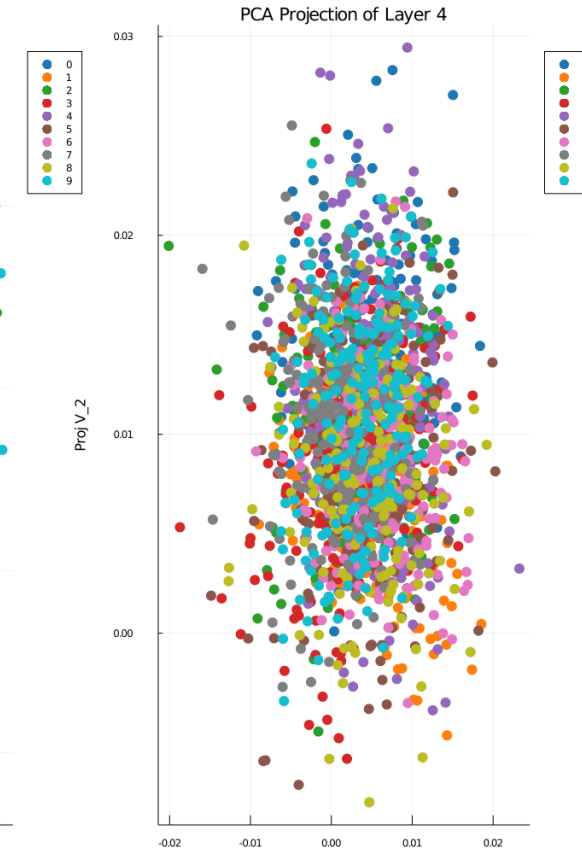
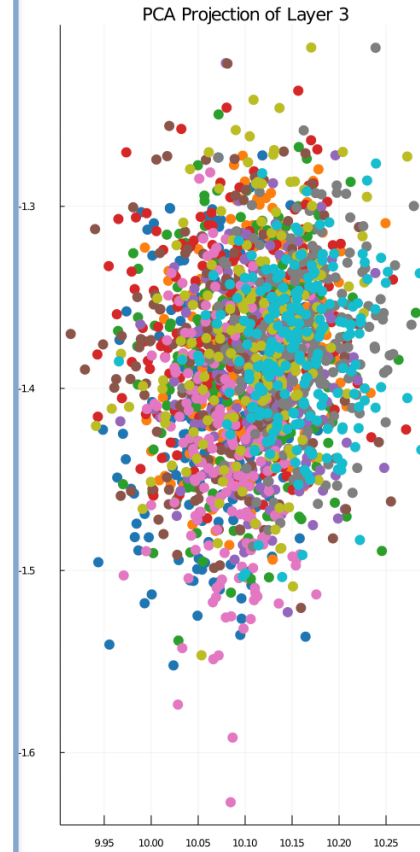
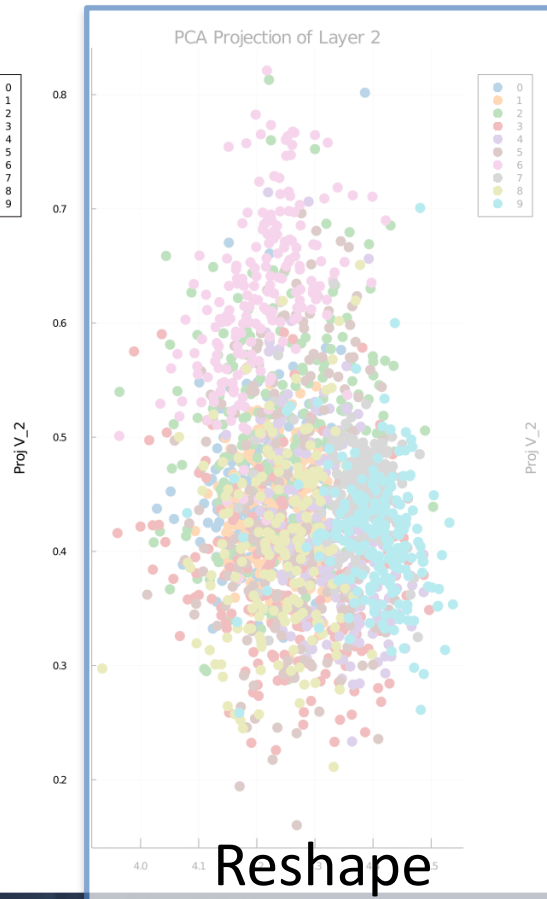
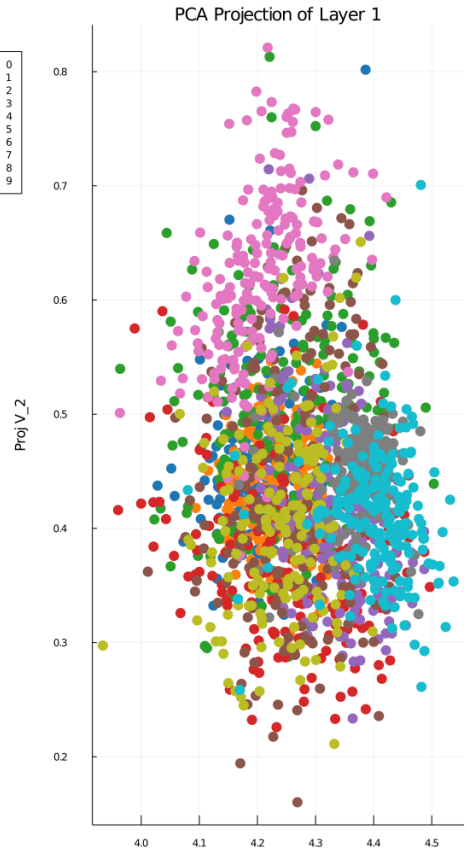
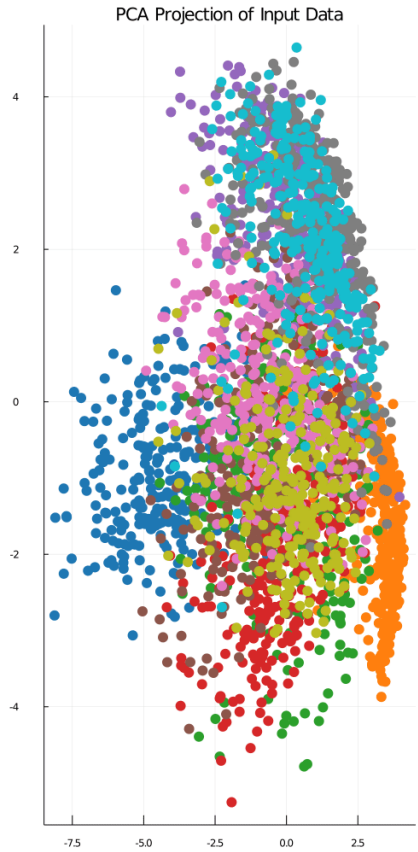
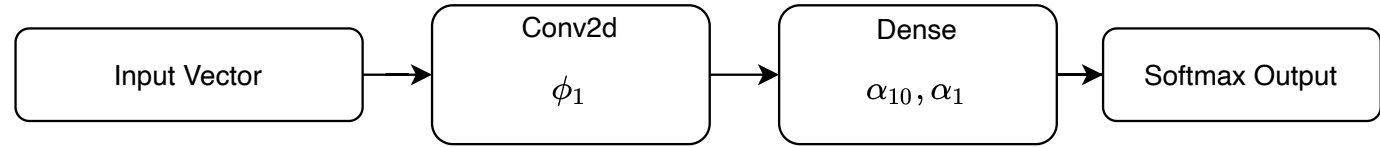
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Batch Size 256, Train step 1



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Batch Size 1024, Train step 1

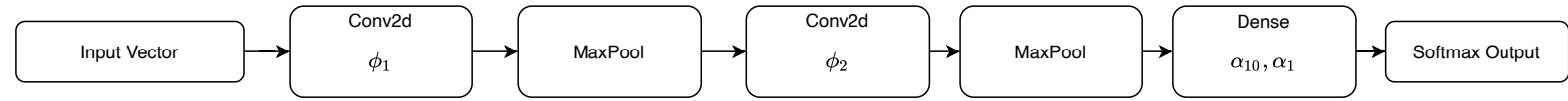


# MNIST Example: CNN

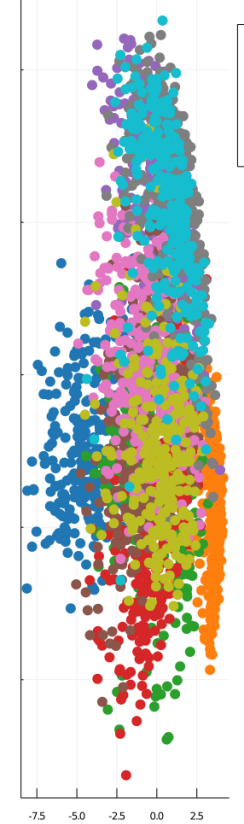




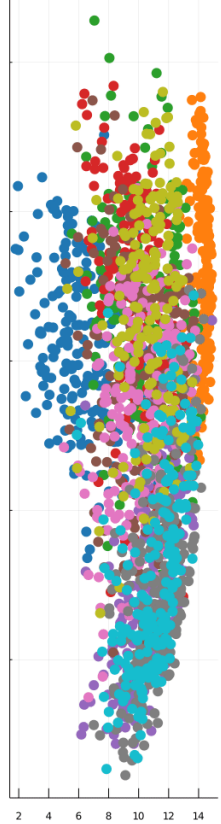
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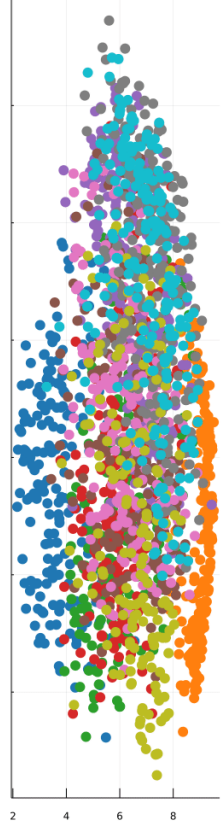
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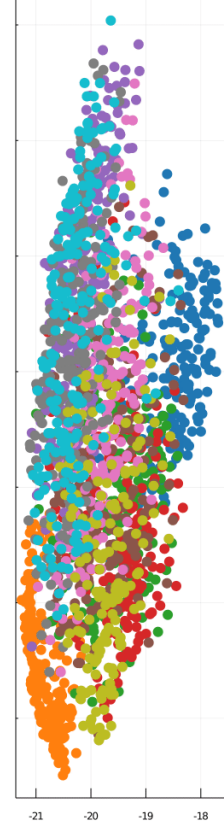
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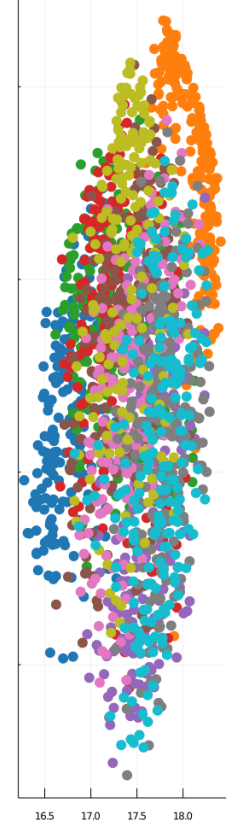
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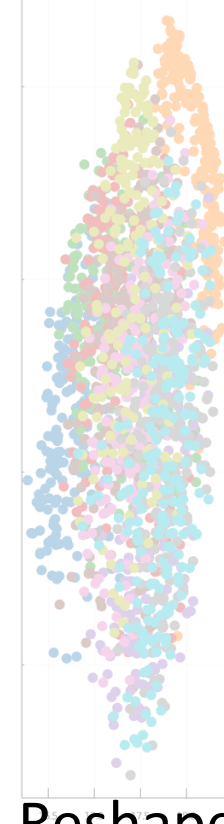
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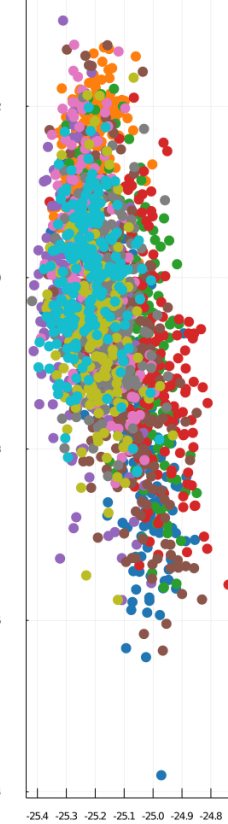
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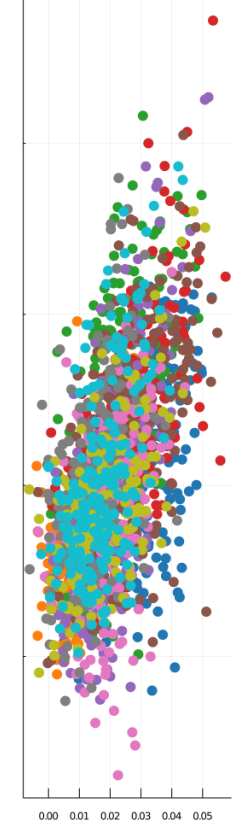
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PCA Projection of Layer 6



PCA Projection of Layer 7



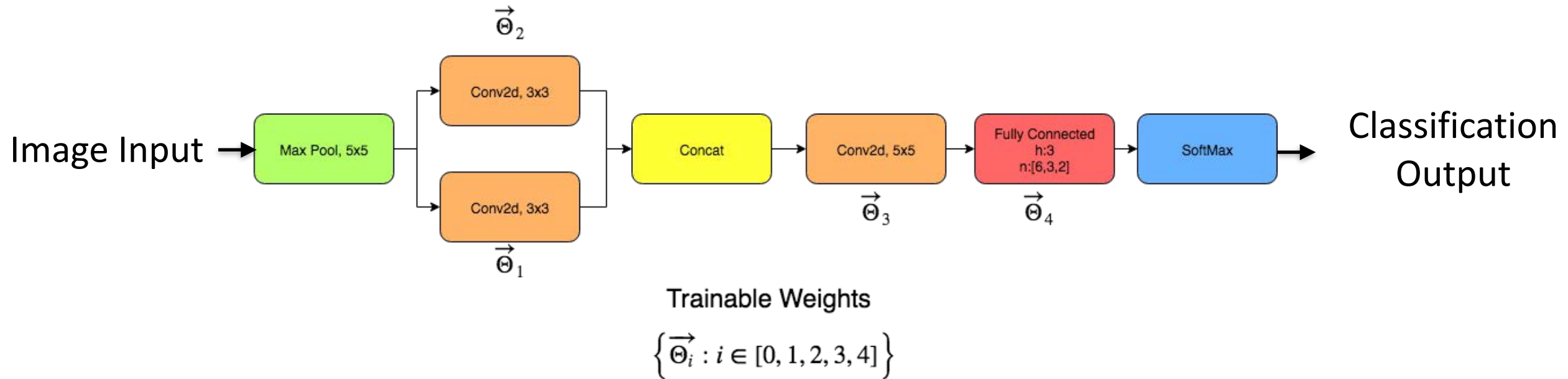


## Take Aways

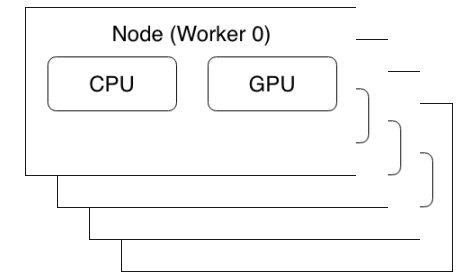
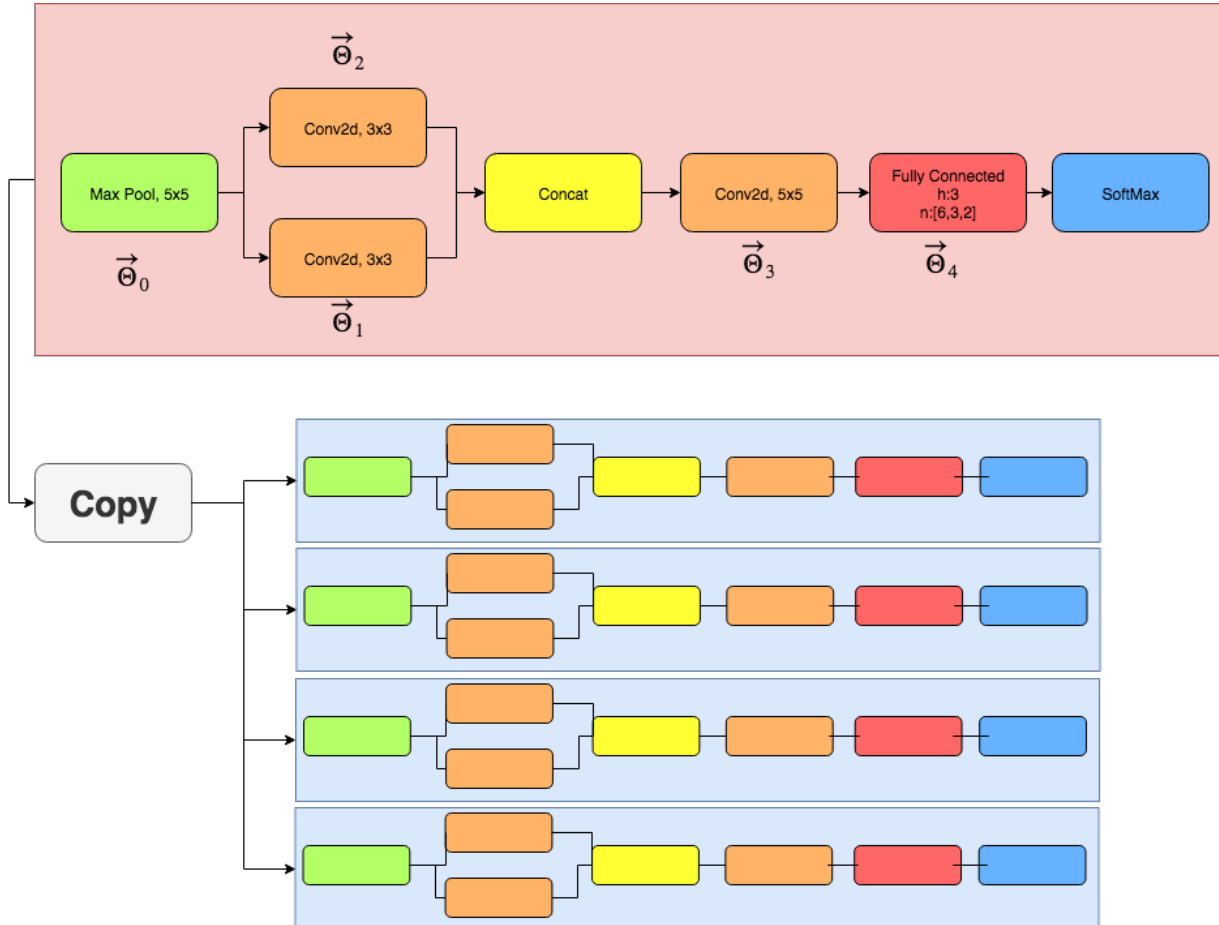
- Large Batch Size has affect on loss surface
  - Empirically: Large batch size results in poor SGD minimizer
- Layers “Project” data between manifolds
  - SGD finds the weights that do this in a useful way
  - Good models “separate data”
- Finding “Goldilocks” models
  - Not too much transform - Not enough dimensions to wiggle in
  - Not to little transform - Danger of over fitting

Now what!?

# Faux Model Example

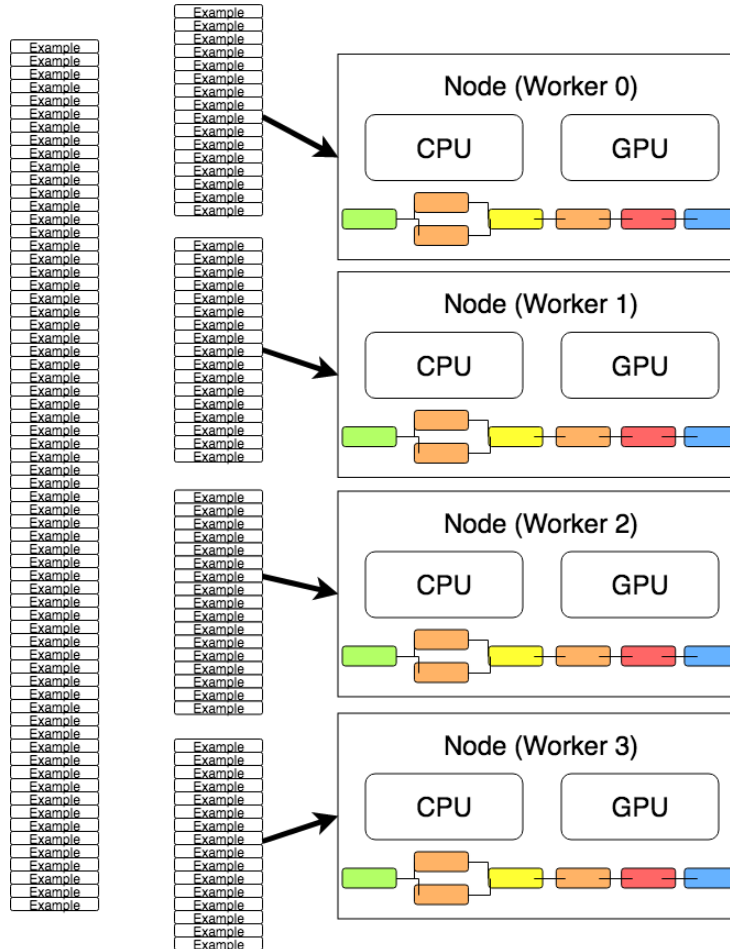


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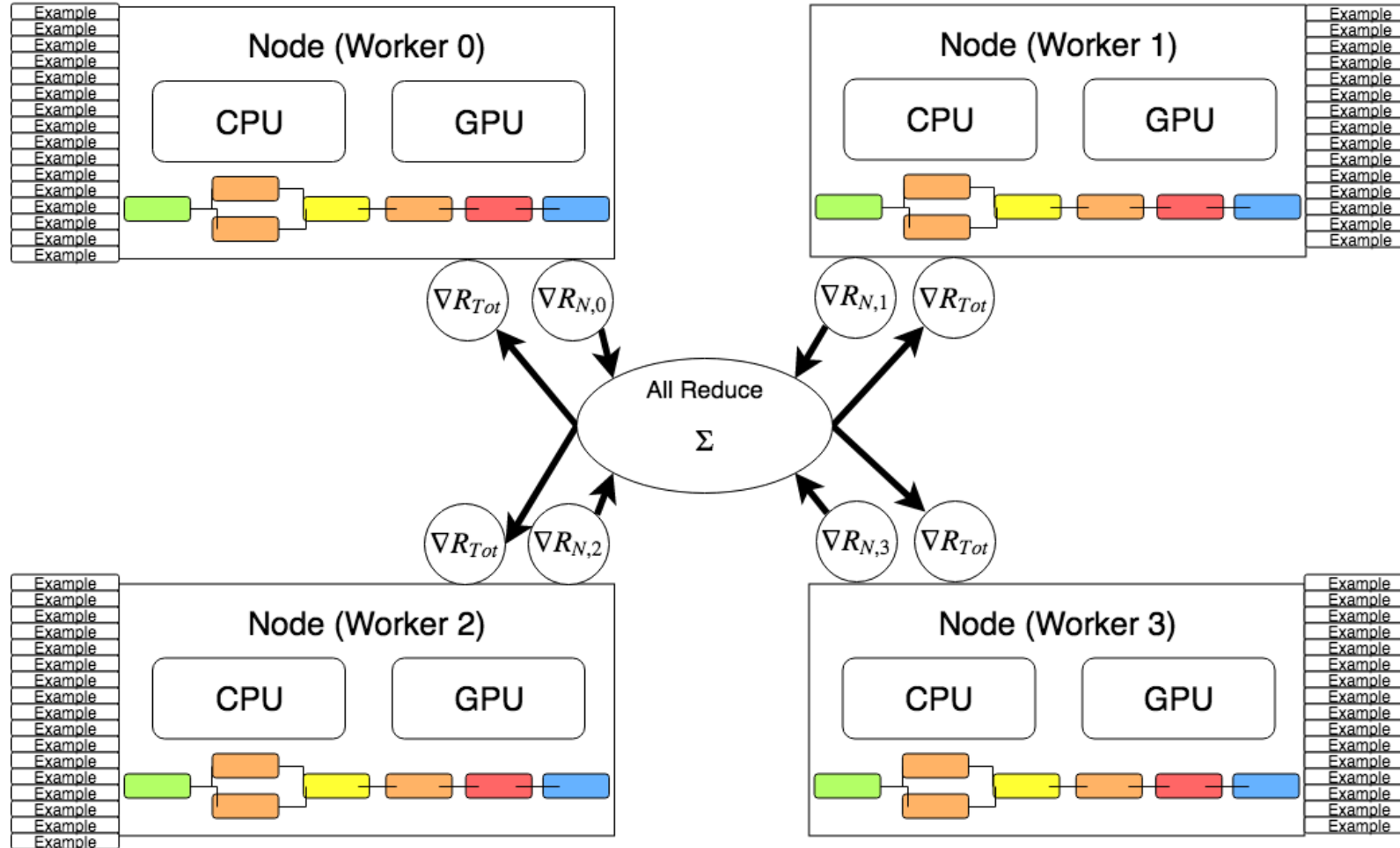




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# Where do we go from here?

- This is a solicitation!
- Survey says NGA is interested (Future Topics)
  - CNN's, GANs
  - Transformers, Image Segmentation
- Looking for teams to deploy your ML training onto BW
  - What we learn from these methods is transferable to other architectures
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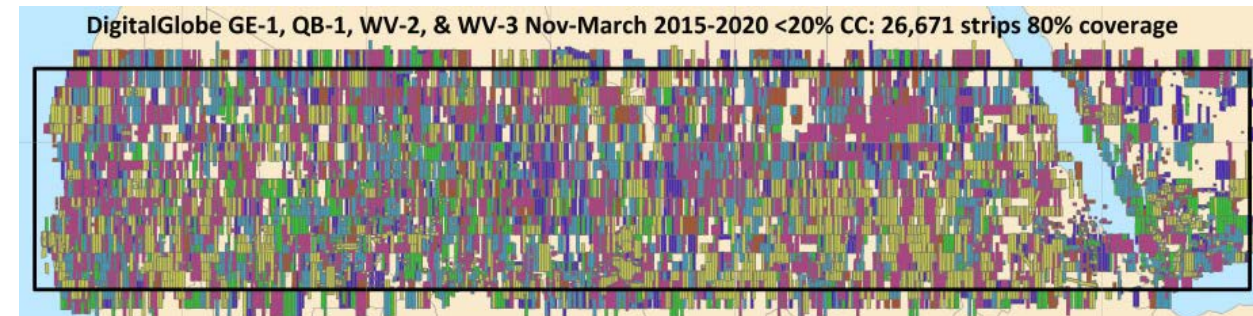
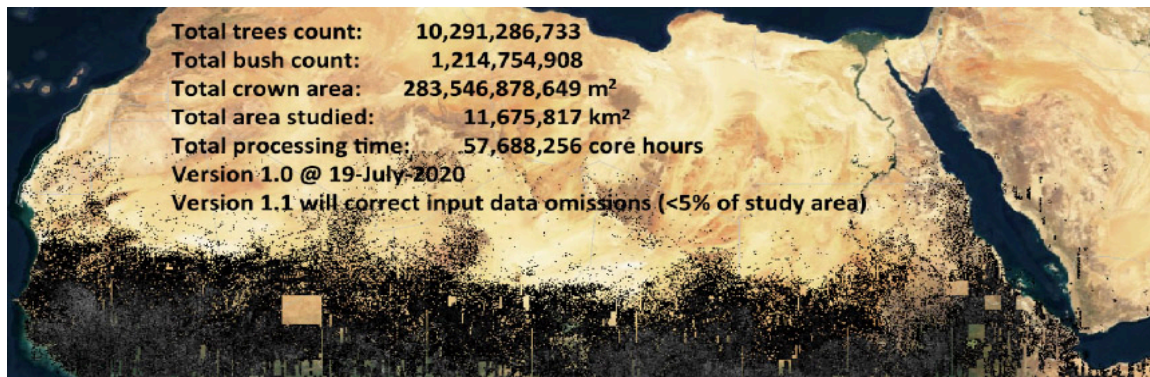
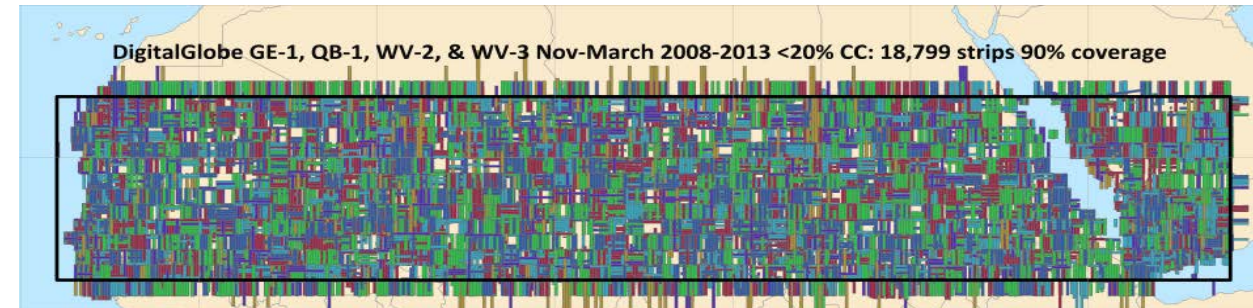
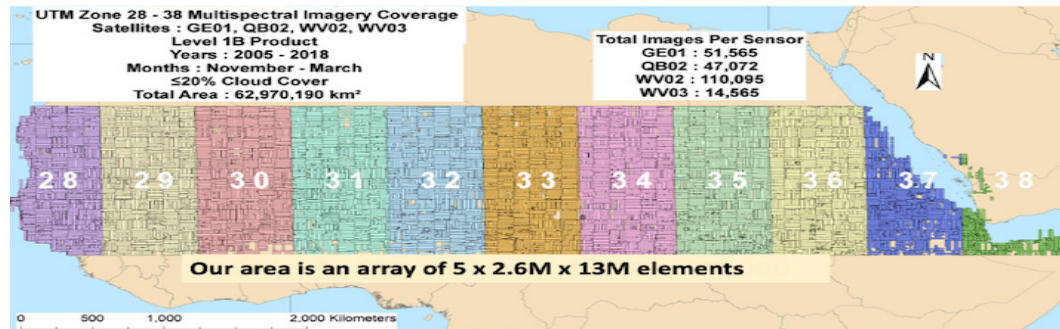


# Requesting Access to Blue Waters

- Access to Blue Waters starts with the submission of a two-page request describing your project and its resource requirements.
  - Projects can be small (50,000 Node Hours (NH)) to extreme (many million NH)
    - If your project is new to HPC start with a small request, additional time can be quickly added later once the need is demonstrated.
  - Include the type and amount of support you may need from BWs staff to get your project running. The Blue Waters team is available to advise on these points.
- Questions
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# Showcase Current Work on BW

“Arid & semi-arid tree-crown enumeration at the 50 cm scale  
Compton Tucker and Colleagues” — Compton (Jim) Tucker, et. al.





# Questions?

## The Geometry of Data

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