# CNNs: Classification and Verification

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# Today we will talk about

- Problem Statement for Part 2
  - Classification and Verification
  - Transfer Learning
- Model Architectures
- Types of Losses
- Dataset and custom Dataloader for PyTorch(in the Notebook)

# Problem Statement

- Face Classification:
  - Classifying the person(ID) based on the image of the person's face
- Face Verification:
  - How would you use the same network you trained for Classification to do face verification, Ideas??
  - You identify the most important features in the image which capture the identity of the face
  - The extracted features will be represented by a fixed length vector, known as an embedding
  - In order to do verification, we need to identify if a given embedding is similar to a reference embedding of that person using a distance metric like the Cosine Distance

# Classification vs Verification

- Classification
  - An N way classification task, predicting from a fixed set of possible output classes
- Verification
  - It is a matching operation, where you match the given sample to the closest sample from a reference of N other samples
  - Can also be a 1 to 1 task, where we want to verify if the two embeddings are similar (belong to the same class)
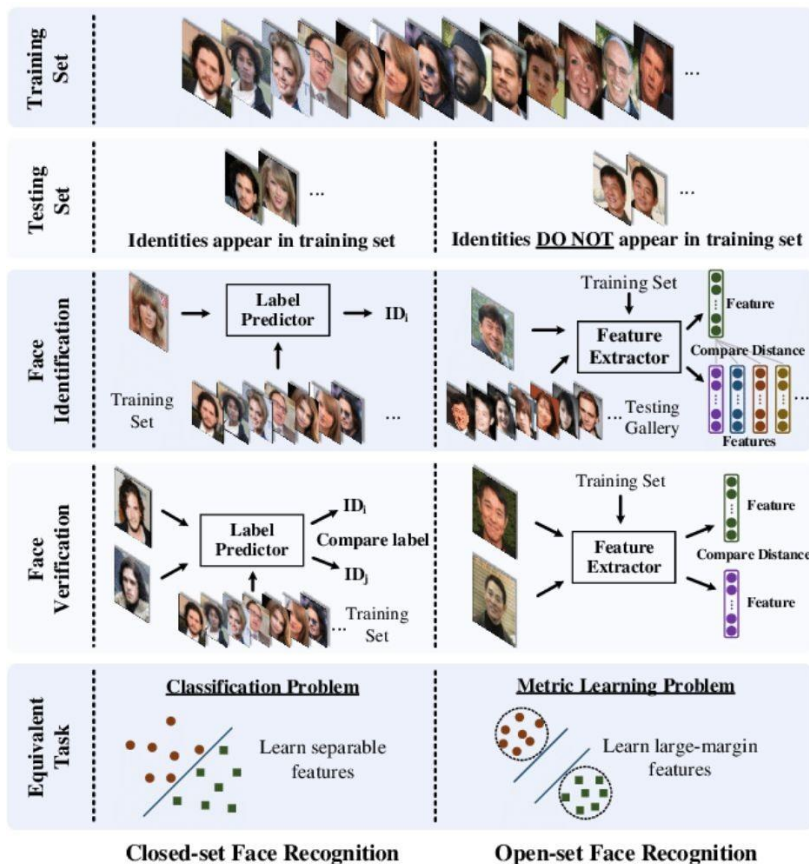  - N way classification using cross entropy loss
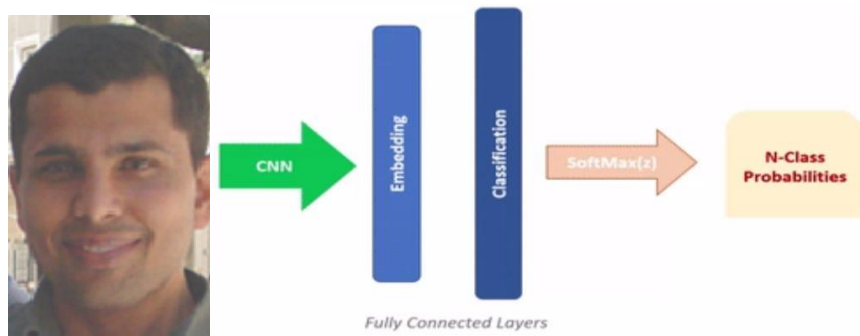
# Verification
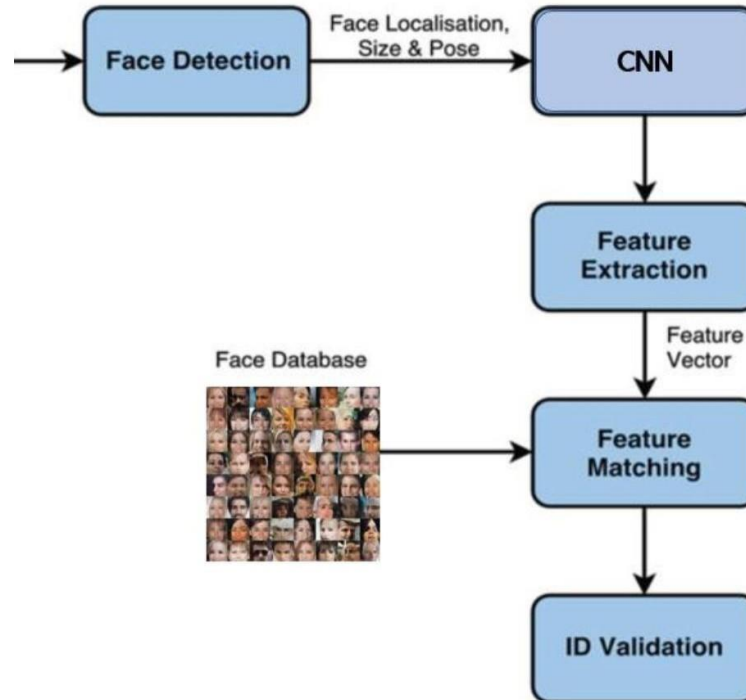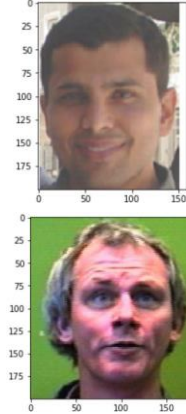
# Open set vs Closed Set

Classification versus Verification &
Open versus Closed set for the
facial recognition problem.
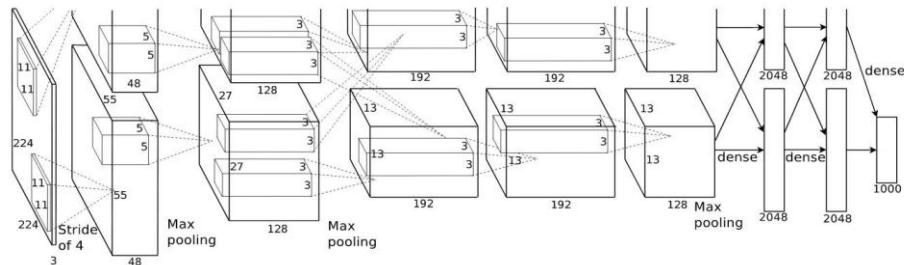
# Transfer Learning

- Transfer Learning is a method where a model developed for a task is reused as the starting point for a model on another task
- Two ways to do Transfer Learning
  - Use trained model weights to initialize the network and train the entire network again
  - Freeze the weights of the network and fine tune the last few layers on the target dataset
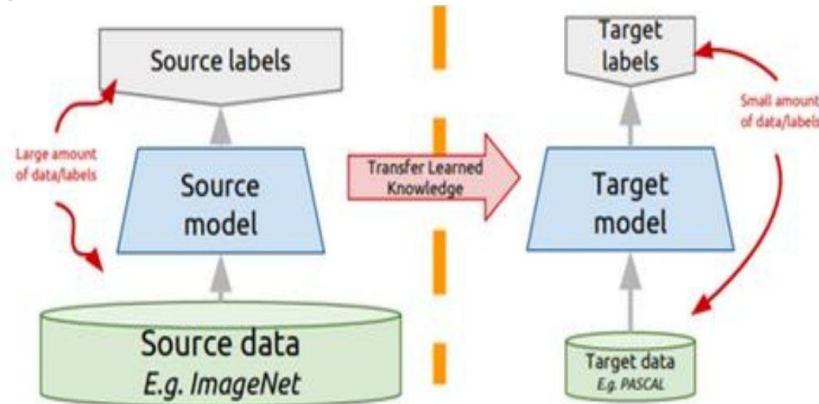
# CNN Architectures: AlexNet

Published in 2012 and was the winner of the Imagenet LSVRC-2012

- Uses ReLU as it makes training faster
- Implements dropout between layers
- Uses data augmentation methods (Random Crop, Random Flip in PyTorch)
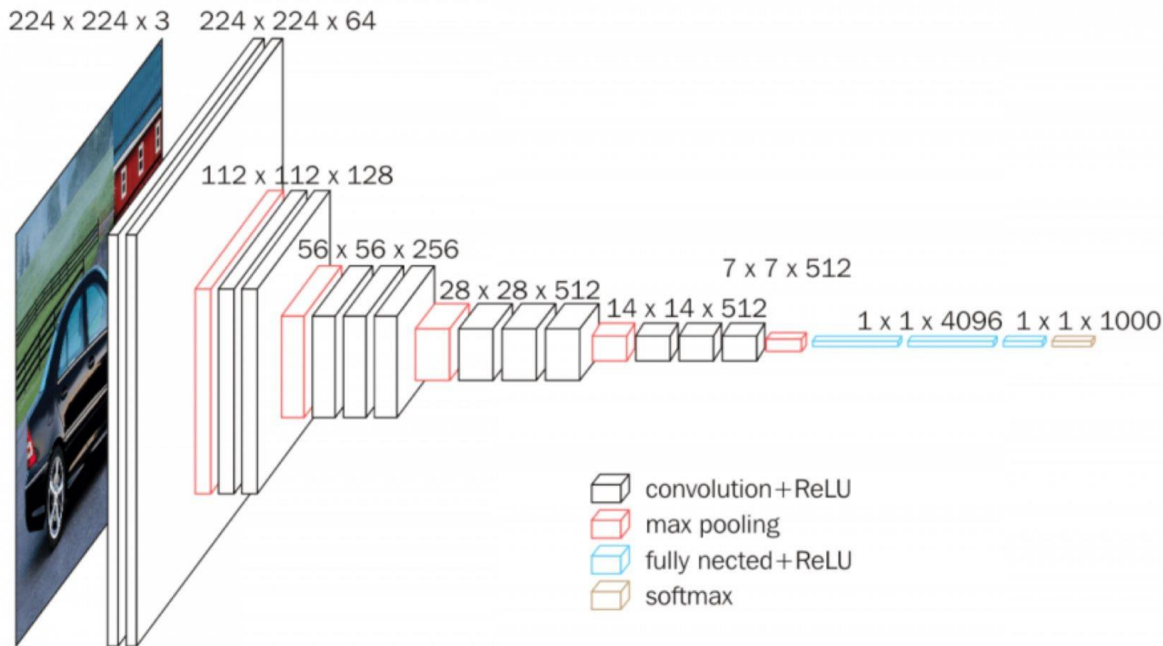- The network is trained using SGD with momentum



https://papers.nips.cc/paper/4824-imagenet-classification-with-deep-convolutional-neural-networks.pdf

# VGG Net

VGG (2014) architecture reduces the size of each layer yet increases the overall depth of it. reinforces the idea that CNNs must be deep in order to work well on visual data.

- Conv filters (3*3)
- Max Pool (2*2)

https://arxiv.org/pdf/1409.1556.pdf



224 x 224 x 3  224 x 224 x 64

112 x 112 x 128

56 x 56 x 256

28 x 28 x 512

7 x 7 x 512

14 x 14 x 512

1 x 1 x 4096  1 x 1 x 1000

convolution+ReLU
max pooling
fully nected+ReLU
softmax

# ResNet

- Introduced in 2015, utilizes bottleneck architectures efficiently and learns them as residual functions
- Easier to optimize and can gain accuracy from increased depth due to skip connections
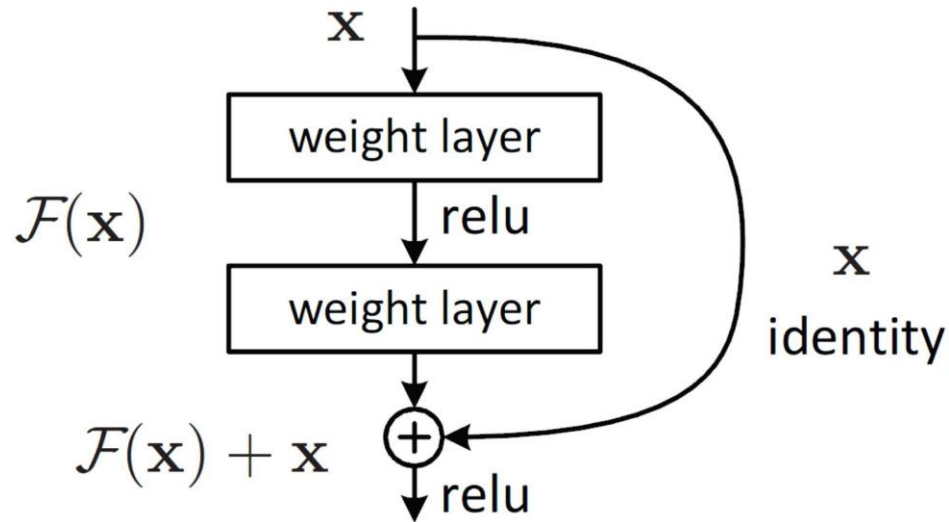
# Dense Nets

- It includes a stack of dense blocks followed by a transition layers
- Strengthen feature propagation, encourage feature reuse and decrease the number of parameters
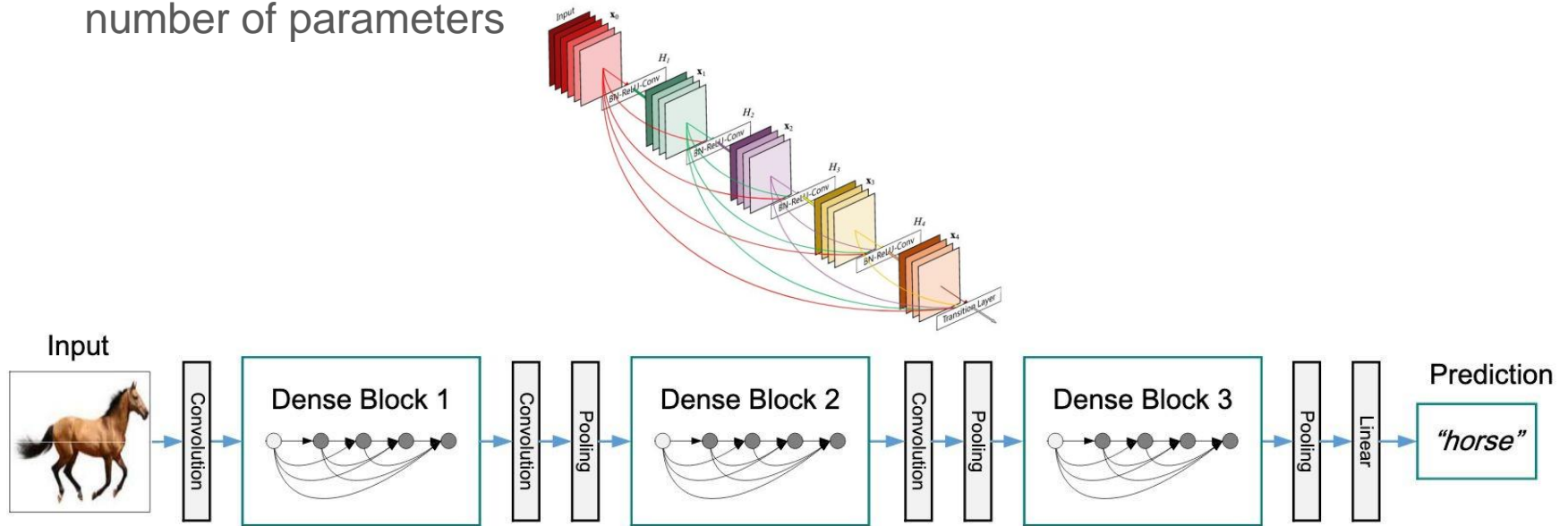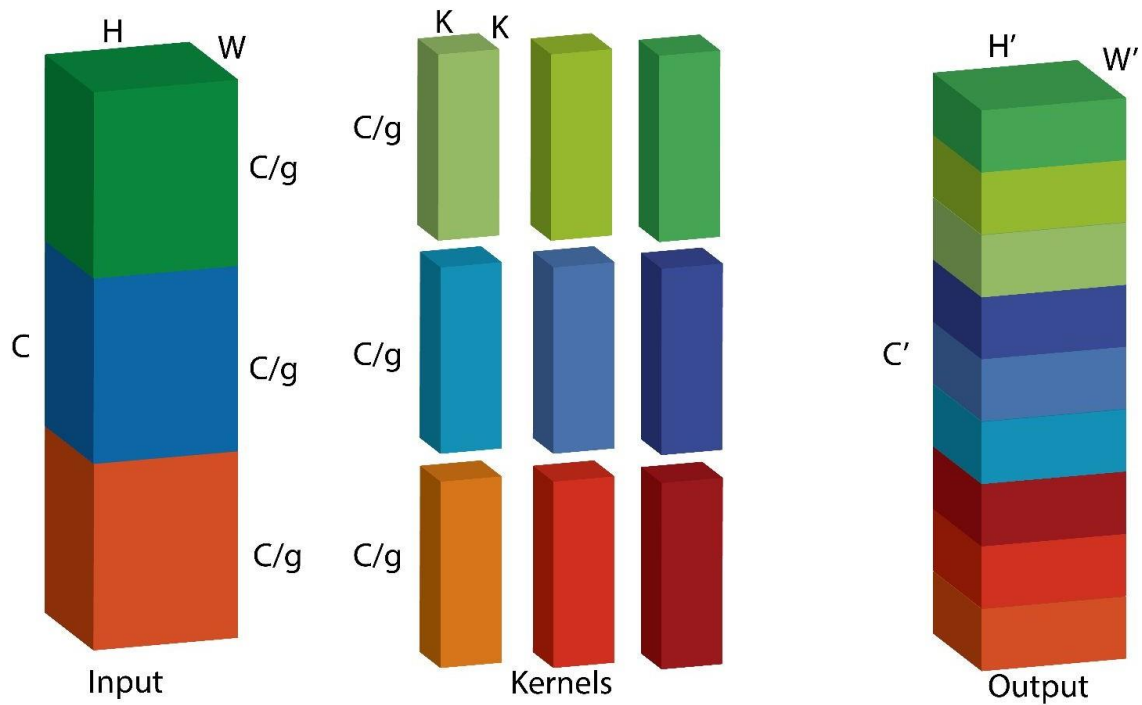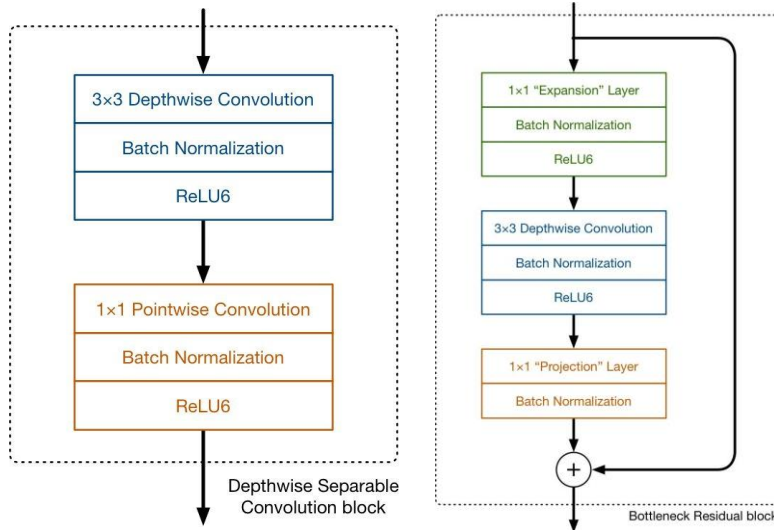
# Grouped Convolutions



Figure 0: Grouped Convolutions with $N_i = C$ input Channels, $g$ groups, and $N_o = C'$ output Channels

# MobileNet

- Introduced in 2017, intended to run neural networks efficiently on mobile devices

    - V1 introduces Depth wise separable convolution
    - V2 introduces Inverted Residual block



https://arxiv.org/pdf/1704.04861.pdf

# Residual and Inverted Residual block
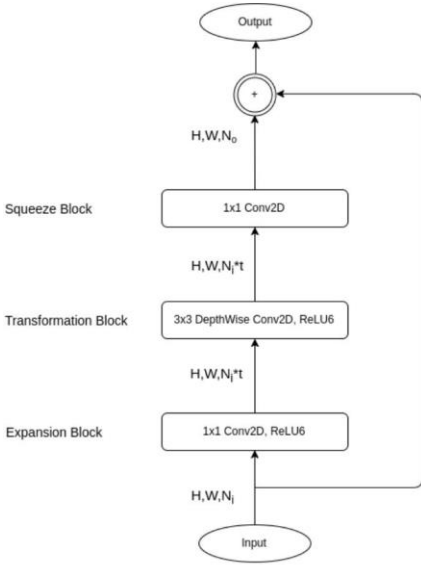


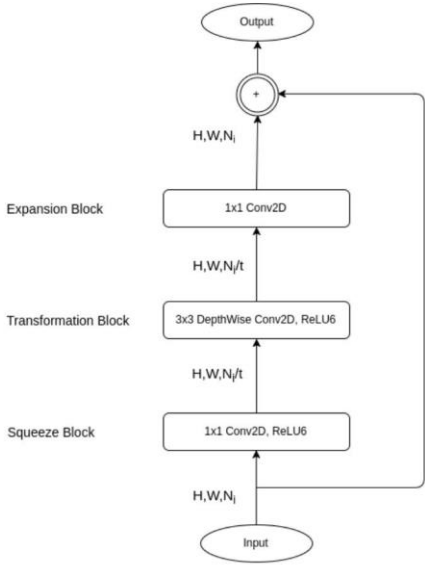Bottleneck Architecture

Figure 1a: MobileNetV2 Bottleneck Block

Figure 1b: ResNet Bottleneck Block

Figure 1: MobileNetV2 Architecture, BN is used after every conv and is omitted for brevity

# Other Interesting Papers

- ResNeXt (2016)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/1611.05431.pdf
  - Generally a strict improvement to ResNet, but slower. It's like 3 lines of code changed.
- SENet (2017)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/1709.01507.pdf
  - Channel-wise attention in CNNs. It's like 20 lines of code.
- EfficientNet (2019)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/1905.11946.pdf
  - Optimized model scaling. Probably can hard code this with some effort.
- RegNet (2020)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/2003.13678.pdf
  - ResNet with optimized layer sizes. It's probably… 10 lines changed?
- ResNeSt (2020)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.08955.pdf
  - ResNeXt on steroids + attention. I (we?) will be really impressed ☺
- NFNet (2021, SOTA)
  - https://arxiv.org/pdf/2102.06171v1.pdf
  - Quite doable actually

# Discriminative Features

- Classification optimizes learning separable features
- Optimally we wish to learn discriminative features
  - Maximum inter class distance
  - Minimum intra class distance



Separable Features | Discriminative Features
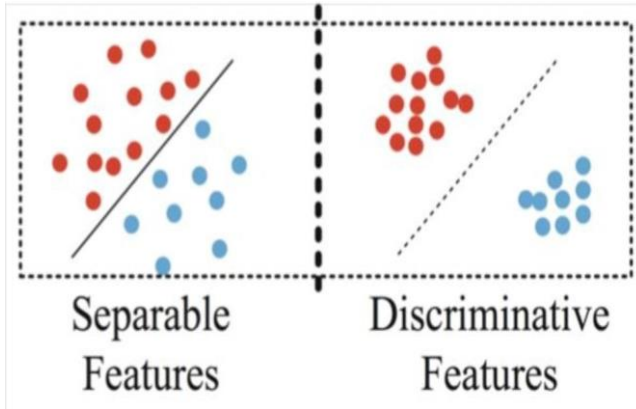
# Center Loss

- Tries to minimize the intra class distance by adding a euclidean distance loss term
- If you use this, **YOU MUST USE CENTER LOSS FROM THE BEGINNING OF TRAINING CLASSIFICATION!**
  - Every semester we get around 50 questions about this.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_S + \lambda \mathcal{L}_C$$

$$= -\sum_{i=1}^{m} \log \frac{e^{W_{y_i}^T \boldsymbol{x}_i + b_{y_i}}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} e^{W_j^T \boldsymbol{x}_i + b_j}} + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \|\boldsymbol{x}_i - \boldsymbol{c}_{y_i}\|_2^2$$

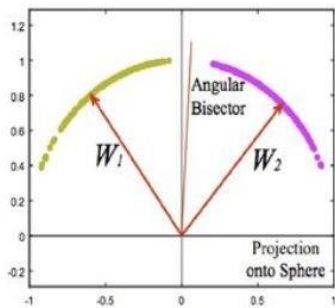Softmax only. Left: training set. Right: test set.
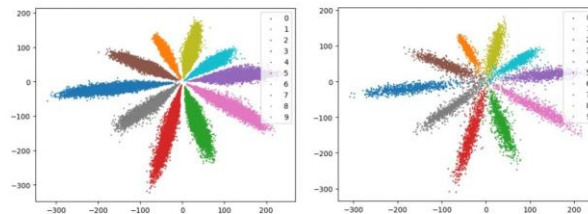


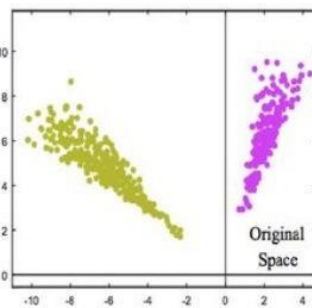Softmax + center loss. Left: training set. Right: test set.
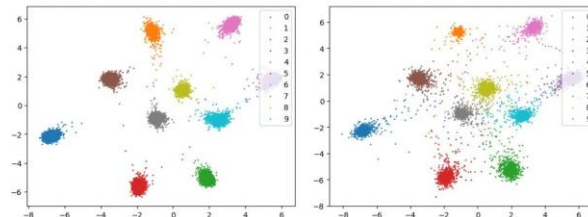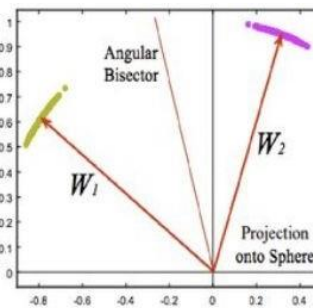
# Other types of Losses

- Contrastive Loss (maintain margin between classes)
- Triplet Loss (motivated from nearest neighbour classification)
- Pair Wise Loss (separate distributions of similarity scores)
- Angular Softmax Loss



(d) Modified Softmax Loss     (e) A-Softmax Loss     (f) A-Softmax Loss

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