

Motivation

It takes some time for a human being to conceive the differences between two of the most well-known impressionist painters Claude Monet and Edouard Manet. Although quite cultivated the French bourgeoisie of the nineteenth century had a struggle with this problem as well. Claude Monet made his debut at the salon in Paris in 1865 where, at the same time, already well-known Edouard Manet presented his famous painting "Olympia". Manet was very surprised and furious when visitors came to him to appraise "his" outstanding marinas, he was convinced: some no-name artist used the similar name to steal his fame. The confusion was overcome and one and a half centuries later the people came up with the following memes: "Monet is spots, Manet is people."



Edouard Manet, "Le Dejeuner sur l'herbe"
(English: The Luncheon on the Grass)



Claude Monet, "Le Dejeuner sur l'herbe"
(English: Dinner on the Grass)

Dataset

- The data was obtained from "Painter by numbers" Kaggle competition web-site [1] and containing Wikiart dataset [2]
- After filtering we get 726 color images in .png format and two classes:
 - 498 paintings by Claude Monet (389 Train +100 Test)
 - 228 paintings by Edouard Manet (182 Train +46 Test)

References

- [1] <https://www.kaggle.com/c/painter-by-numbers/data>
[2] <https://www.wikiart.com>

Data preprocessing

Problem: all paintings have different resolution (height and width can vary from 400 to 7500 pixels) To homogenize the data the *Python Imaging Library (PIL)* is used:

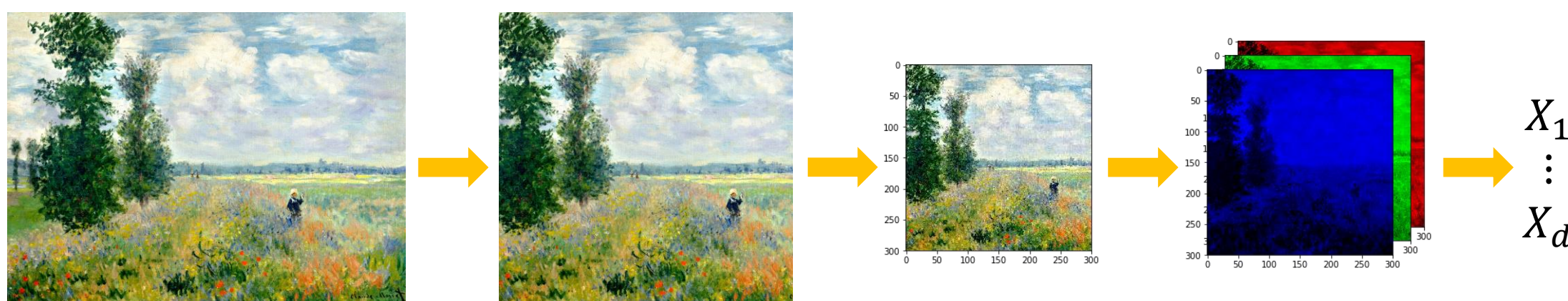
- Step 1** Crop image to be a square with a side equal to the shorter one of the initial rectangle.
- Step 2** Resized image to be 300 × 300 pixels.
- Step 3** Use 8-bit RGB color representation is used to encode the color of each pixel

Data format:

- 3-dimensional matrix 300 × 300 × 3
- each element is a number from 0 to 255

For some methods is used:

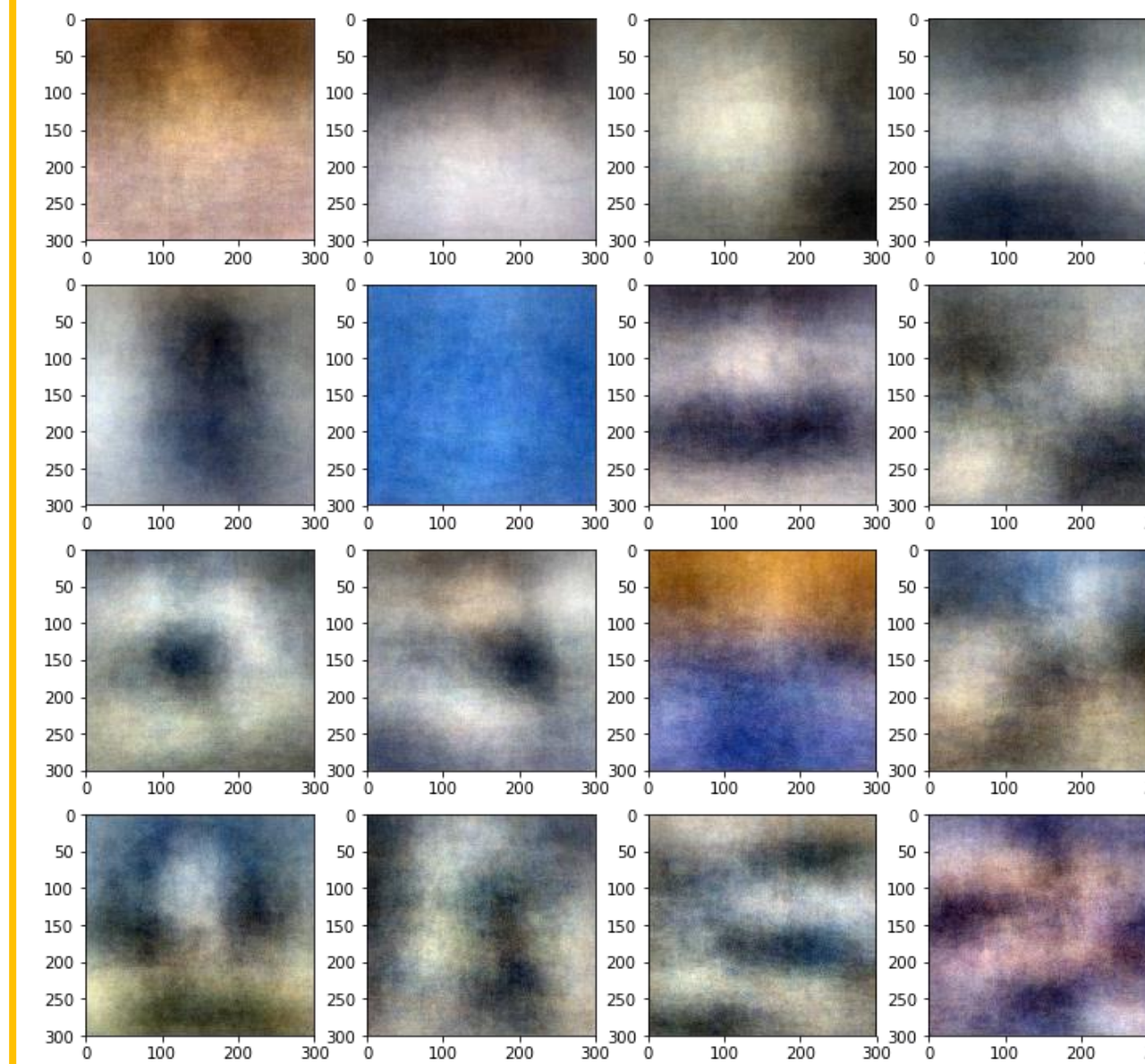
- Step 4** Flatten 3-dimensional matrix to a vector of length 2.7×10^5



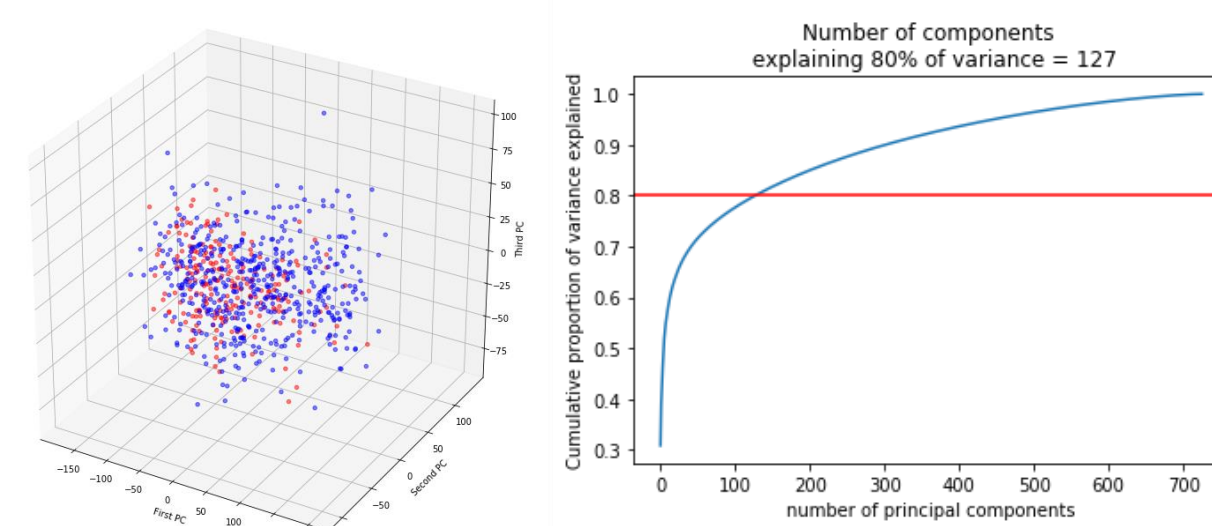
Dimension reduction

Problem: The number of features (2.7×10^5) \gg sample size (726)
Question: Is there any set of essential distinctive features for the paintings?
Solution: ICA and PCA

Principal Component Analysis

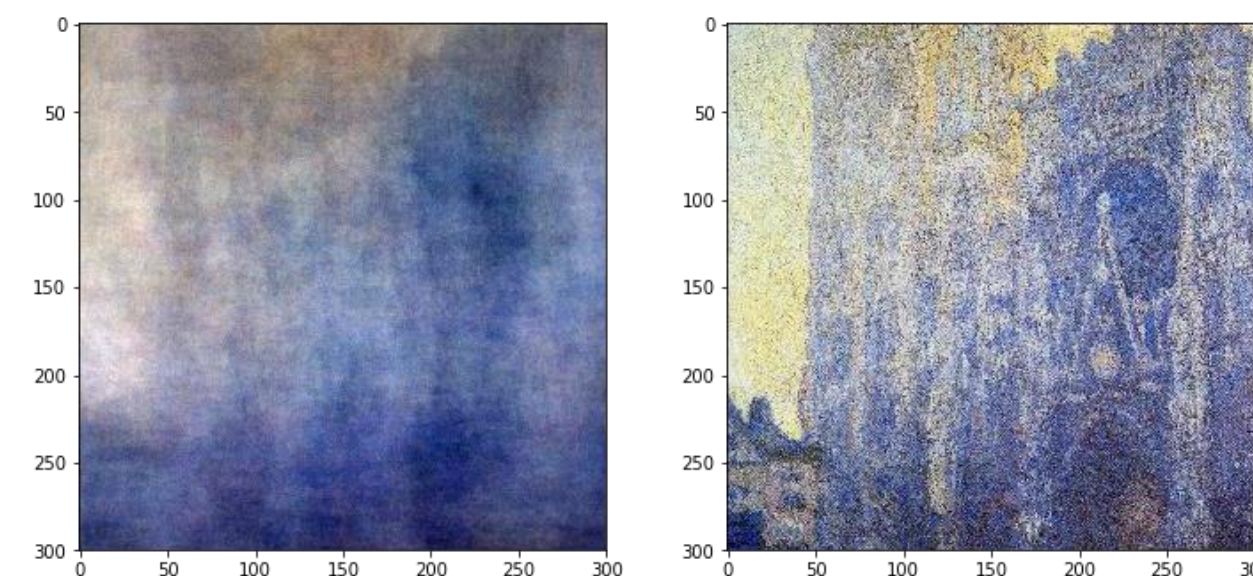


The first 16 PCA components



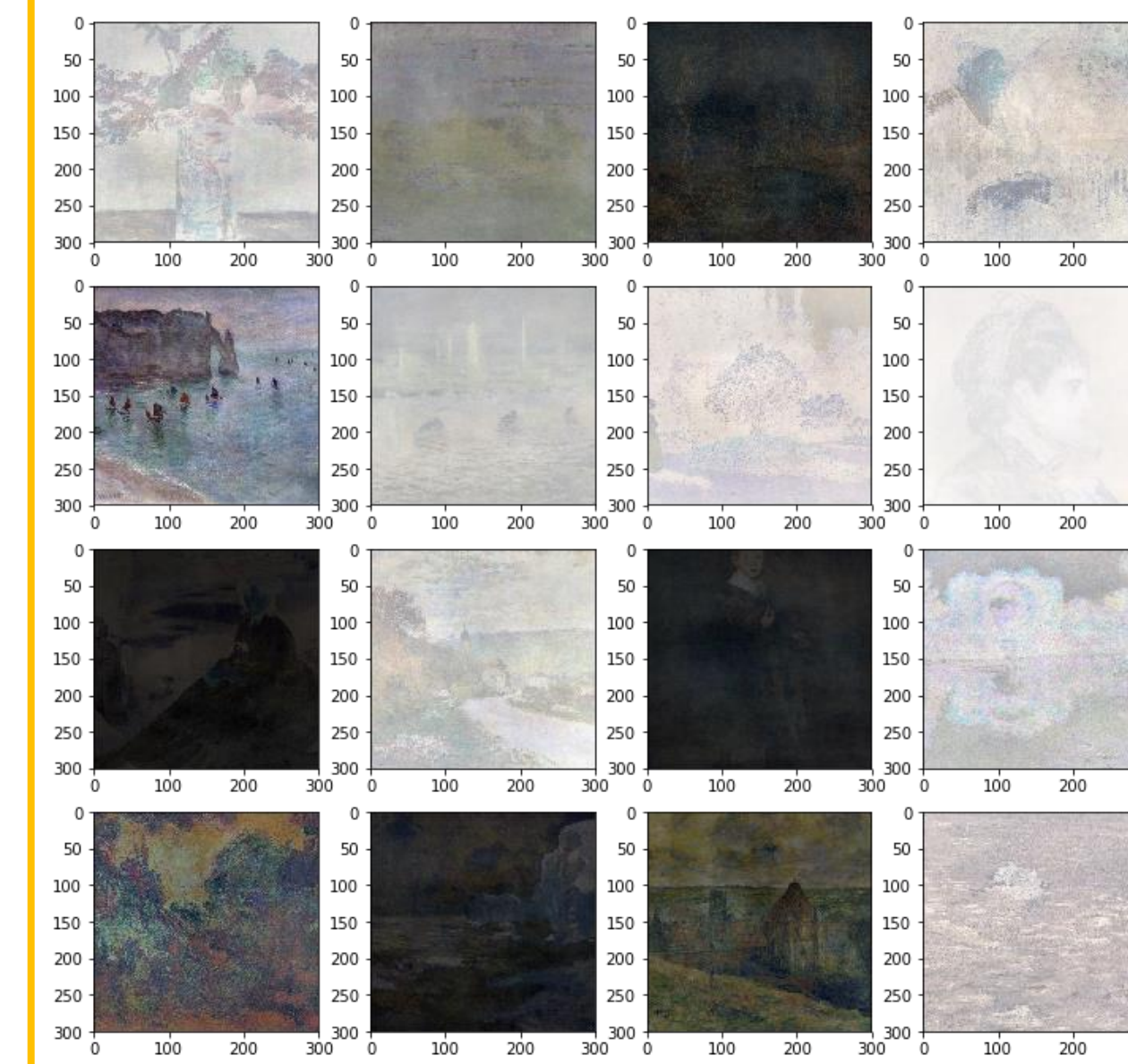
The dataset projection onto the first 3 PC

80% of variance explained by 127 components

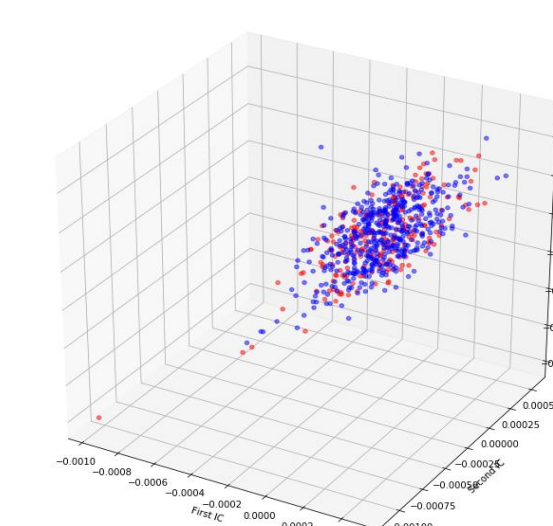


The image reconstruction from 127 PC

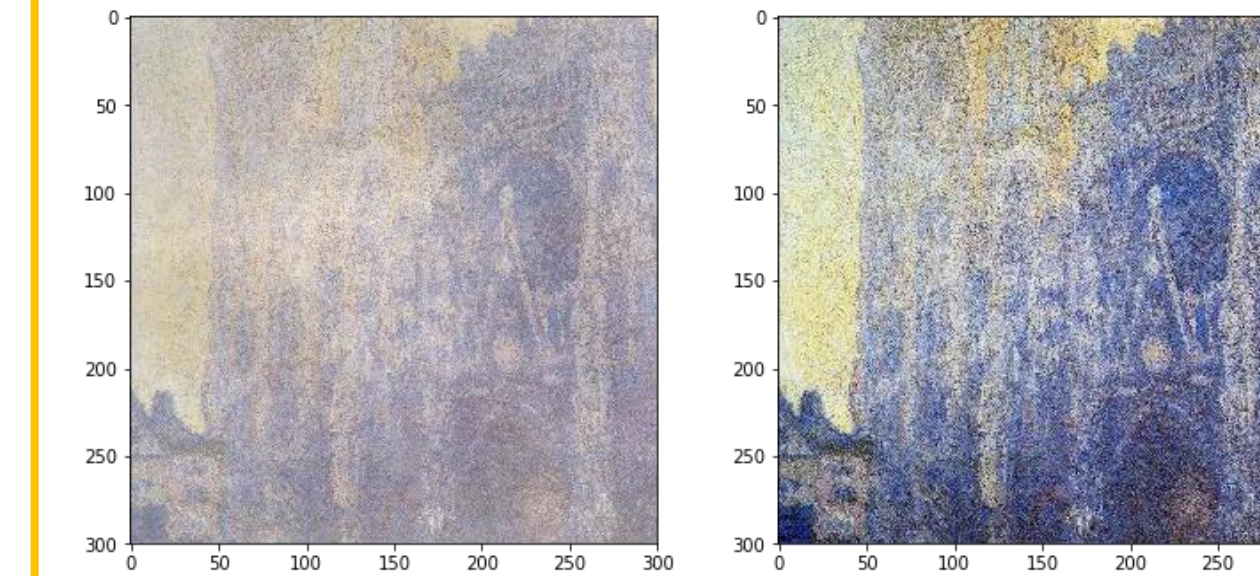
Independent Component Analysis



The first 16 ICA components



The dataset projection onto the first 3 IC (Monet, Manet)



The image reconstruction from 127 IC

Classification PCA + KNN

KNN Parameters:

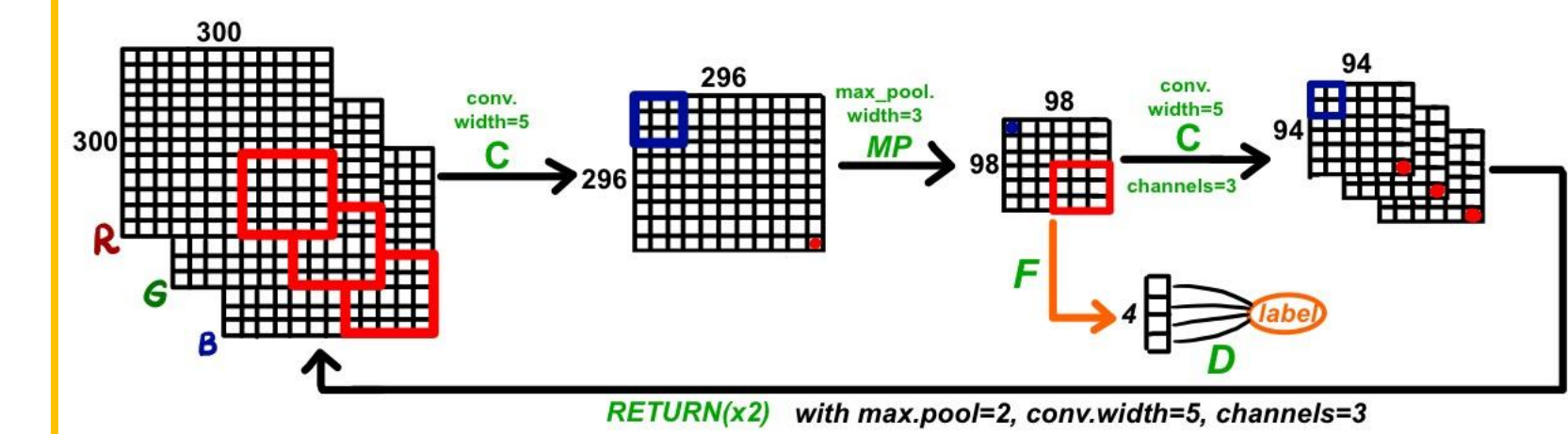
- the number of neighbors $n_neighbors = \{2, 3, \dots, 19, 20\}$
- $weights = \{uniform, distance\}$
 - $uniform$ = all neighbors are weighted equally
 - $distance$ = inverse Euclidian distance from the neighbor to the point

Classification with PCA + SVM

Kernels and parameters:

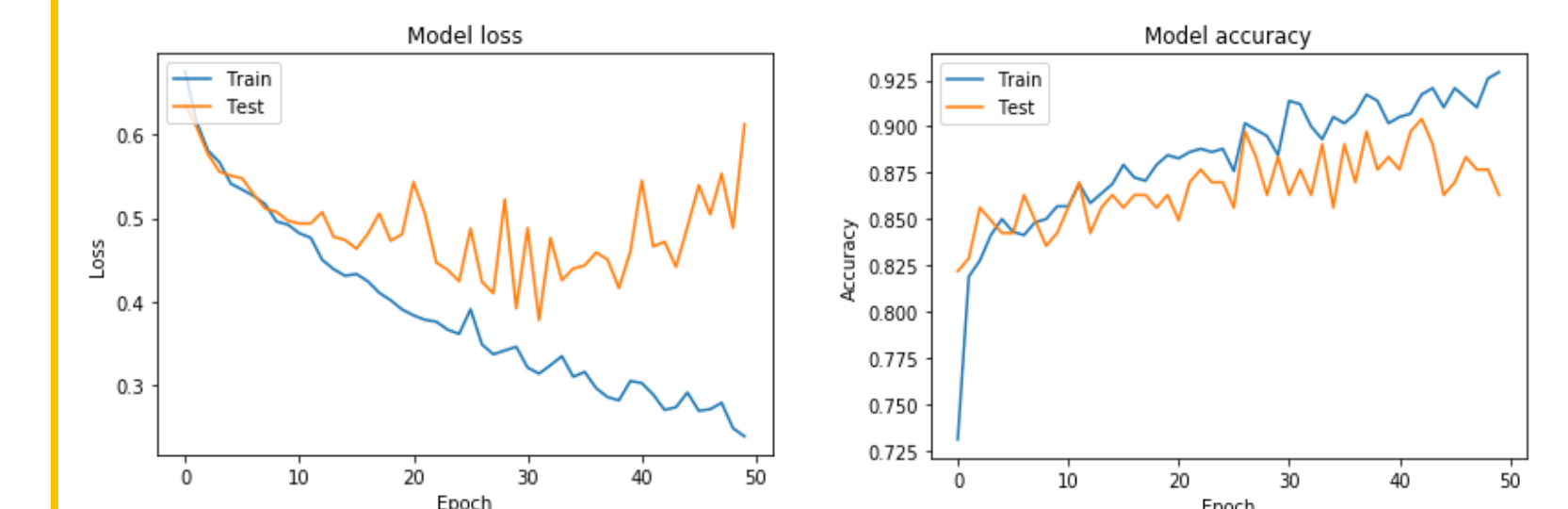
- Linear $K(x, y) = \langle x, y \rangle$
 - misclassification vs. decision boundary simplicity
 - $C = \{0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100, 1000\}$
- Poly $K(x, y) = (\langle x, y \rangle + 1)^r$
 - $C = \{0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100, 1000\}$
 - $r = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 10\}$
- Rbf $K(x, y) = \exp(-\gamma \|x - y\|^2)$
 - $C = \{0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100, 1000\}$
 - $\gamma = \{10^{-5}, 10^{-4}, \dots, 10^3\}$

Classification with CNN



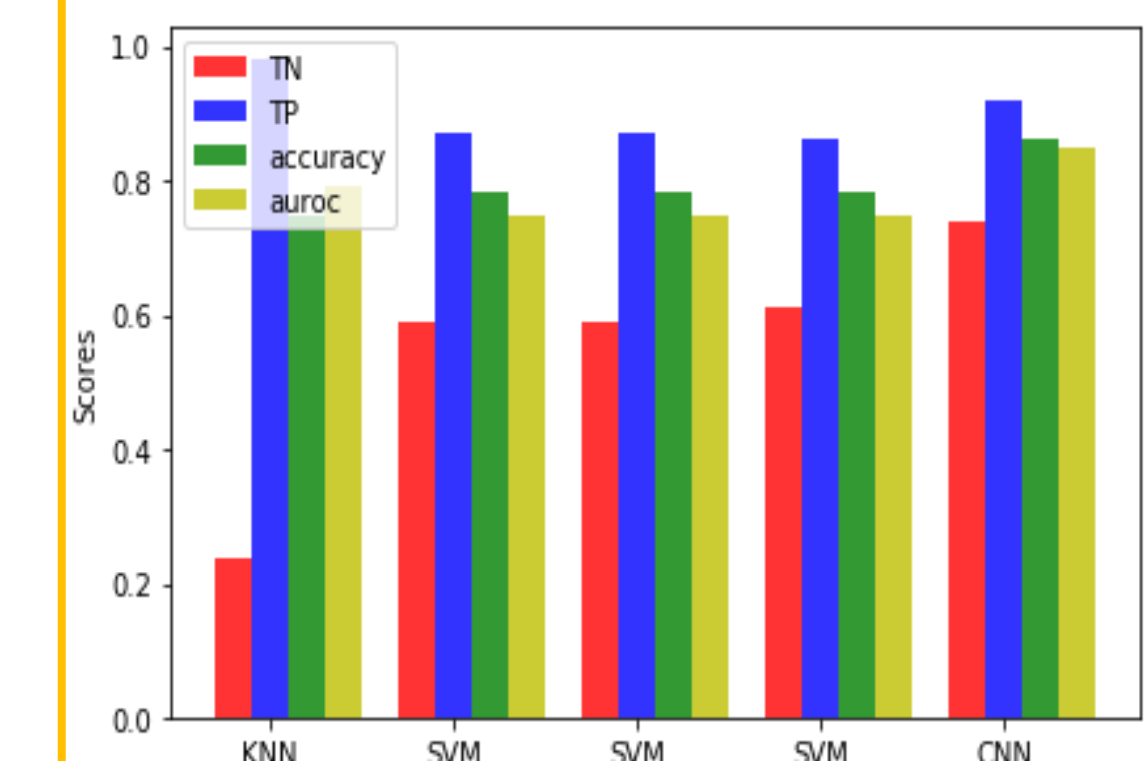
Loss: binary cross-entropy

#parameters = 389, batch size = 10, epochs = 50



Results

- SVM is biased and KNN is very biased towards Monet
- CNN improves *accuracy* and *auroc* by 10%
- CNN have balanced *TP* and *TN*



Best performance:

- TN = 0.74(CNN)
- TP = 0.98(KNN)
- acc = 0.86(CNN)
- auroc = 0.85(CNN)