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Modern Convolutional Neural Networks

CS4782: Intro to Deep Learning

Review: Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)

Convolutions

Maintain spatial relation between pixels Reduce number of parameters through weight sharing

BatchNorm Layer

Pooling Captures key information from across different areas of the feature maps Together with convolutions allows for translational invariance





input image

Increases speed and stability of training

Image Classification

- Important: Everything is differentiable!
- Can calculate gradient of the loss with backpropagation
 - Train with SGD/Adam/etc.
 - Learn convolutional filters and classification head end-to-end!



Discuss: Padding

- Given a 5x5 feature map and a 3x3 convolution:
 - How much padding do I need to maintain the spatial size of the feature map (i.e., 5x5)?
- What about when using a 5x5 convolution?











Deeper CNN Architectures



VS



Performed better!

Deeper == better



Deeper == better



ImageNet Classification Challenge: Deeper == better



[Nguyen, Kien & Fookes, Clinton & Ross, Arun & Sridharan, Sridha. (2017). Iris Recognition with Off-the-Shelf CNN Features: A Deep Learning Perspective. IEEE Access. PP. 1-1. 10.1109/ACCESS.2017.2784352.]

Deeper == better?



56 layer CNN has higher training and test error than 20 layer CNN on CIFAR-10 dataset for image classification

Deeper != better

- Long training times
- Vanishing gradient problem
 - Recall backpropagation to update weights

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial z_i} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial z_{n-1}} \frac{\partial z_{n-1}}{\partial z_{n-2}} \dots \frac{\partial z_{i+1}}{\partial z_i}$$

- If each term <<< 1, gradient "vanishes" as the entire multiplication goes towards 0
- => Weights not updated properly

GoogLeNet/Inception Net

Goal: given a fixed computational budget, optimize the depth and width of the network

=> Deeper networks with computational efficiency

Inception Module



Inception module = main building blocks

Inception Module

Still expensive!



- 3x3 and 5x5 convolutions have large number of operations
- Output of pooling layer increases the output channel dimension when concatenated

Slight Detour: 1x1 convolutions



3x3x3

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56x56x64

56x56x32

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Solution: Inception module with dimension reduction



 "Bottleneck" with 1x1 convolutions to reduce dimensions

Discuss: Impact of Dimension Reduction

Assume you have an input feature map with 256 dimensions.

Compare the parameter counts from:

1. 3x3 conv with 256 filters

2. 1x1 conv with 64 filters \rightarrow 3x3 conv with 64 filters \rightarrow 1x1 conv with 256 filters

GoogLeNet Architecture

Key idea: stack inception modules together



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The Entire GoogLeNet Architecture



CNN Architectures

"Plain" CNN	GoogLeNet
Simple connection from previous to next layer	1x1, 3x3, 5x5 convolutions and pooling between each layer



The Entire GoogleNet Architecture



Very complicated - how exactly did this architecture solve the problem?



Residual connections

Aside: Conv Layer Abstraction



Residual Connections

aka skip connections - add an identity mapping to the output function



Residual Connections



Residual Blocks

Identity mapping

- can propagate features forward
- only learn difference of feature maps

Residual Connections



Additive component of identity

- alleviates vanishing gradients

$$\frac{\delta L}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta L}{\delta y} * \frac{\delta y}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta L}{\delta y} (F'(x))$$



Discuss: Spot (and explain) the difference



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Stack residual blocks together!



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Full ResNet Architecture

"Plain" Network



Deeper == better

Can train deeper models!



Figure 4. Training on **ImageNet**. Thin curves denote training error, and bold curves denote validation error of the center crops. Left: plain networks of 18 and 34 layers. Right: ResNets of 18 and 34 layers. In this plot, the residual networks have no extra parameter compared to their plain counterparts.

Visualizing the Effect of Skip Connections

Makes optimization easier!



Figure 1: The loss surfaces of ResNet-56 with/without skip connections. The proposed filter normalization scheme is used to enable comparisons of sharpness/flatness between the two figures.

[Li, Hao, et al. "Visualizing the loss landscape of neural nets." Advances in neural information processing systems 31 (2018).]

Cornell Bowers CIS Stochastic Depth

During training, randomly drop Residual Blocks using skip connections

Like dropout but with residual blocks instead of individual neurons



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Another benefit: robustness/mitigating overfitting



Stochastic Depth

Increases training loss, but... decreases test error!



Fig. 3. Test error on CIFAR-10 (*left*) and CIFAR-100 (*right*) during training, with data augmentation, corresponding to results in the first two columns of Table 1.

CNN Architectures

"Plain" CNN	GoogLeNet	ResNet
Simple connection from previous to next	1x1, 3x3, 5x5 convolutions and	Skip connections
layer	pooling between each layer	Add output of previous layer to next layer

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From ResNets to DenseNets



[Huang, Gao, et al. "Densely connected convolutional networks." *Proceedings of the IEEE conference on computer vision and pattern recognition*. 2017.]

Dense Connections

Each layer has access to every other layer before it, which:

- maximizes information flow
- allows for feature-map reuse
- less parameters to learn
- alleviates vanishing gradient



Cornell Bowers CIS Dense Blocks

To create dense connections, dense blocks use the same structure as residual blocks, but <u>concatenate</u> (denoted by [,]) inputs instead of simply adding them



Cornell Bowers CIS Transition Layers

Each dense block increases the number of dimensions

Maintain size of dimension with 1x1 convolutions and pooling (transition layer)



Transition Layer

DenseNet Architecture

Stack Dense Blocks together with transition layers in between each Dense Block



CNN Architectures

"Plain" CNN	GoogLeNet	ResNet	DenseNet
Simple connection	1x1, 3x3, 5x5 Skip connections		Dense connections
layer	pooling between each layer	Add output of previous layer to next layer	Concatenate output of previous layer to next layer
F(x)	Filter concentration Su5 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 1x1 convolutions 3x3 max pooling Previous layer Previous layer		x

Model Comparison - error rates

Method	Depth	Params	C10	C10+	C100	C100+	SVHN
Network in Network [22]	-	-	10.41	8.81	35.68	-	2.35
All-CNN [31]		-	9.08	7.25	-	33.71	-
Deeply Supervised Net [20]	-	-	9.69	7.97	-	34.57	1.92
Highway Network [33]	-	-	-	7.72	-	32.39	-
FractalNet [17]	21	38.6M	10.18	5.22	35.34	23.30	2.01
with Dropout/Drop-path	21	38.6M	7.33	4.60	28.20	23.73	1.87
ResNet [11]	110	1.7M	-	6.61	-	-	-
ResNet (reported by [13])	110	1.7M	13.63	6.41	44.74	27.22	2.01
ResNet with Stochastic Depth [13]	110	1.7M	11.66	5.23	37.80	24.58	1.75
	1202	10.2M	-	4.91	-	-	-
Wide ResNet [41]	16	11.0M	-	4.81	-	22.07	-
	28	36.5M	-	4.17	-	20.50	-
with Dropout	16	2.7M	121	2		_	1.64
ResNet (pre-activation) [12]	164	1.7M	11.26*	5.46	35.58*	24.33	070
100 D.S.	1001	10.2M	10.56*	4.62	33.47*	22.71	-
DenseNet $(k = 12)$	40	1.0M	7.00	5.24	27.55	24.42	1.79
DenseNet $(k = 12)$	100	7.0M	5.77	4.10	23.79	20.20	1.67
DenseNet $(k = 24)$	100	27.2M	5.83	3.74	23.42	19.25	1.59
DenseNet-BC $(k = 12)$	100	0.8M	5.92	4.51	24.15	22.27	1.76
DenseNet-BC $(k = 24)$	250	15.3M	5.19	3.62	19.64	17.60	1.74
DenseNet-BC $(k = 40)$	190	25.6M	-	3.46	-	17.18	-

Summary of Models

"Plain" CNN	Google Net	ResNet	DenseNet	
Simple connection from previous to next	1x1, 3x3, 5x5 convolutions and	1x1, 3x3, 5x5 Skip connections		
layer	pooling between each layer	Add output of previous layer to next layer	Concatenate output of previous layer to next layer	
F(x)				
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Cornell Bowers CIS Summary

- Deep CNNs outperform shallow CNNs
- But...
 - Harder optimization problem!
- Residual (and dense) connections make training easier!
 - Can train networks with 100s of layers!
- Stochastic depth let's you train deeper networks faster
 - 1000+ layers!
- In general...
 - Build large networks as stacks of (many!) simple building blocks