PV021: Neural networks

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Course materials:

- Main: The lecture
- Neural Networks and Deep Learning by Michael Nielsen http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/ (Extremely well written modern online textbook.)
- Deep learning by Ian Goodfellow, Yoshua Bengio and Aaron Courville

http://www.deeplearningbook.org/

(A very good overview of the state-of-the-art in neural networks.)

Inifinitely many online tutorials on everything (to build intuition)

Suggested: deeplearning.ai courses by Andrew Ng

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- **Q:** Why should you attend this course when there are infinitely many great reasources elsewhere?
- A: There are at least two reasons:
 - You may discuss issues with me, my colleagues and other students.
 - I will make you truly learn fundamentals by heart.

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An example of an instruction email (from another course with the same system):

It is typically not sufficient to devote a single afternoon to the preparation for the exam. You have to know _everything_ (which means every single thing) starting with the slide 42 and ending with the slide 245 with notable exceptions of slides: 121 - 123, 137 - 140, 165, 167. Proofs presented on the whiteboard are also mandatory.

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There are many types of models:

- decision trees
- support vector machines
- hidden Markov models
- Bayes networks and other graphical models
- neural networks
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Neural networks, based on models of a (human) brain, form a natural basis for learning algorithms!

Artificial neural networks

- Artificial neuron is a rough mathematical approximation of a biological neuron.
- (Aritificial) neural network (NN) consists of a number of interconnected artificial neurons. "Behavior" of the network is encoded in connections between neurons.





Zdroj obrázku: http://tulane.edu/sse/cmb/people/schrader/

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 - games backgammon, poker, GO, Starcraft, ...
 - finance stock prices, risk analysis
 - medicine diagnosis, signal processing (EKG, EEG, ...), image processing (MRI, CT, WSI ...)
 - text and speech processing machine translation, text generation, speech recognition
 - other signal processing filtering, radar tracking, noise reduction
 - art music and painting generation, deepfakes
 - ▶ ...

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- Graceful degradation
 - Experiments have shown that damaged neural network is still able to work quite well
 - Damaged network may re-adapt, remaining neurons may take on functionality of the damaged ones

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Biological neural network



Summation



Figure 48.11(a), page 972, Campbell's Biology, 5th Edition

Biological and Mathematical neurons













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determines a separation hyperplane in the *n*-dimensional **input space**

- in 2d line
- in 3d plane

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Neuron geometry





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- Red line classifies incorrectly
- Green line classifies correctly (may be a result of a correction by a learning algorithm)



No line separates ones from zeros.

Neural network consists of formal neurons interconnected in such a way that the output of one neuron is an input of several other neurons.

In order to describe a particular type of neural networks we need to specify:

Architecture

How the neurons are connected.

Activity

How the network transforms inputs to outputs.

Learning

How the weights are changed during training.

Network architecture is given as a digraph whose nodes are neurons and edges are connections.

We distinguish several categories of neurons:

- Output neurons
- Hidden neurons
- Input neurons

(In general, a neuron may be both input and output; a neuron is hidden if it is neither input, nor output.)



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Initial state

Input neurons set to values from the network input (each component of the network input corresponds to an input neuron)

Values of the remaining neurons set to 0.

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There are special types of neural networks where the inner potential is computed differently, e.g., as a "distance" of an input from the weight vector:

$$\xi = \left\| \vec{x} - \vec{w} \right\|$$

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here $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is a steepness parameter.

Hyperbolic tangens

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ReLU

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Activity – MLP and linear separation





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- generalization and robustness
 - information is encoded in a distributed manner in weights
 - "close" inputs typicaly get similar values
- Graceful degradation
 - damage typically causes only a decrease in precision of results
Expressive power of neural networks

Formal neuron (with bias)



• $x_0 = 1, x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ are inputs

- $w_0, w_1, \ldots, w_n \in \mathbb{R}$ are weights
- ξ is an inner potential; almost always ξ = w₀ + Σⁿ_{i=1} w_ix_i
- y is an output given by y = σ(ξ) where σ is an activation function;

e.g. a unit step function

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Just consider a continuous function f where f(x) is the minimum difference between x and a point on the boundary of A. Then uniformly approximate fusing the networks.

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For mathematically oriented:

- "reasonable" means Lebesgue measurable
- "most" means that the set of incorrectly classified vectors has the Lebesgue measure smaller than a given ε > 0



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Zdroj obrázku: http://jmvidal.cse.sc.edu/talks/ann/alvin.html

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• We encode words $\omega \in \{0, 1\}^+$ into numbers as follows:

$$\delta(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^{|\omega|} rac{\omega(i)}{2^i} + rac{1}{2^{|\omega|+1}}$$

E.g. $\omega = 11001$ gives $\delta(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^5} + \frac{1}{2^6}$ (= 0.110011 in binary form).

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 - "Theoretical" networks are extremely huge.
 - It is very difficult to handcraft them even for simplest problems.
- From practical point of view, the most important advantage of neural networks are: learning, generalization, robustness.

| | Neural networks | "Classical" computers |
|-------------|--|---|
| Data | implicitly in weights | explicitly |
| Computation | naturally parallel | sequential, localized |
| Robustness | robust w.r.t. input corruption & damage | changing one bit may completely crash the computation |
| Precision | imprecise, network recalls a training example "similar" to the input | (typically) precise |
| Programming | learning | manual |
History & implementations

- 1951: SNARC (Minski et al)
 - the first implementation of neural network
 - a rat strives to exit a maze
 - 40 artificial neurons (300 vacuum tubes, engines, etc.)



 1957: Mark I Perceptron (Rosenblatt et al) - the first successful network for image recognition



- single layer network
- image represented by 20 × 20 photocells
- intensity of pixels was treated as the input to a perceptron (basically the formal neuron), which recognized figures
- weights were implemented using potentiometers, each set by its own engine
- it was possible to arbitrarily reconnect inputs to neurons to demonstrate adaptability

1960: ADALINE (Widrow & Hof)



- single layer neural network
- weights stored in a newly invented electronic component memistor, which remembers history of electric current in the form of resistance.
- Widrow founded a company Memistor Corporation, which sold implementations of neural networks.
- 1960-66: several companies concerned with neural networks were founded.

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- end of 90s-cca 2005: NN suppressed by other machine learning methods (support vector machines (SVM))
- 2006-now: The boom of neural networks!
 - deep networks often better than any other method
 - GPU implementations
 - ... specialized hw implementations (Google's TPU)

Some highlights

- Breakthrough in image recognition. Accuracy of image recognition improved by an order of magnitude in 5 years.
- Breakthrough in game playing. Superhuman results in Go and Chess almost without any human intervention. Master level in Starcraft, poker, etc.
- Breakthrough in machine translation. Switching to deep learning produced a 60% increase in translation accuracy compared to the phrase-based approach previously used in Google Translate (in human evaluation)
- Breakthrough in speech processing.
- Breakthrough in text generation. GPT-3 generates pretty realistic articles, short plays (for a theatre) have been successfully generated, etc.

History in waves ...



Figure: The figure shows two of the three historical waves of artificial neural nets research, as measured by the frequency of the phrases "cybernetics" and "connectionism" or "neural networks" according to Google Books (the third wave is too recent to appear).

Current hardware – What do we face?



... weakly-supervised pre-training using hashtags from the Instagram uses $3.6 * 10^9$ images.

Revisiting Weakly Supervised Pre-Training of Visual Perception Models. Singh et al.

https://arxiv.org/pdf/2201.08371.pdf, 2022

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... and thus increasing size of neural networks ...



ADALINE

- 4. Early back-propagation network (Rumelhart et al., 1986b)
- 8. Image recognition: LeNet-5 (LeCun et al., 1998b)
- 10. Dimensionality reduction: Deep belief network (Hinton et al., 2006) ... here the third "wave" of neural networks started
- 15. Digit recognition: GPU-accelerated multilayer perceptron (Ciresan et al., 2010)
- 18. Image recognition (AlexNet): Multi-GPU convolutional network (Krizhevsky et al., 2012)
- 20. Image recognition: GoogLeNet (Szegedy et al., 2014a)

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... as a reward we get this ...



Figure: Since deep networks reached the scale necessary to compete in the ImageNetLarge Scale Visual Recognition Challenge, they have consistently won the competition every year, and yielded lower and lower error rates each time. Data from Russakovsky et al. (2014b) and He et al. (2015).

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In 2014, similar task performed on Commodity Off-The-Shelf High Performance Computing (COTS HPC) technology: a cluster of GPU servers with Infiniband interconnects and MPI.

Able to train 1 billion parameter networks on just 3 machines in a couple of days. Able to scale to 11 billion weights (approx. 6.5 times larger than the Google model) on 16 GPUs.



Current hardware – NVIDIA DGX Station

- 8x GPU (Nvidia A100 80GB Tensor Core)
- 5 petaFLOPS
- System memory: 2 TB
- Network: 200 Gb/s InfiniBand



Up to 83X Higher Throughput than CPU, 2X Higher Throughput than DGX A100 320GB on Big Data Analytics Benchmark



Deep learning in clouds

Big companies offer cloud services for deep learning:

- Amazon Web Services
- Google Cloud
- Deep Cognition
- ▶ ..

Advantages:

- Do not have to care (too much) about technical problems.
- Do not have to buy and optimize highend hw/sw, networks etc.
- Scaling & virtually limitless storage.

Disadvatages:

- Do not have full control.
- Performance can vary, connectivity problems.
- Have to pay for services.
- Privacy issues.

Current software

- TensorFlow (Google)
 - open source software library for numerical computation using data flow graphs
 - allows implementation of most current neural networks
 - allows computation on multiple devices (CPUs, GPUs, ...)
 - Python API
 - Keras: a part of TensorFlow that allows easy description of most modern neural networks
- PyTorch (Facebook)
 - similar to TensorFlow
 - object oriented
 - ... majority of new models in research papers implemented in PyTorch

https://www.cioinsight.com/big-data/pytorch-vs-tensorflow/

Theano (dead):

- The "academic" grand-daddy of deep-learning frameworks, written in Python. Strongly inspired TensorFlow (some people developing Theano moved on to develop TensorFlow).
- There are others: Caffe, Deeplearning4j, ...

Current software – Keras

```
from keras.models import Sequential
from keras.layers import Dense, Dropout, Activation
from keras.optimizers import SGD
model = Sequential()
# Dense(64) is a fully-connected layer with 64 hidden units.
# in the first layer, you must specify the expected input data shape
# here, 20-dimensional vectors.
model.add(Dense(64, input dim=20, init='uniform'))
model.add(Activation('tanh'))
model.add(Dropout(0.5))
model.add(Dense(64, init='uniform'))
model.add(Activation('tanh'))
model.add(Dropout(0.5))
model.add(Dense(10, init='uniform'))
model.add(Activation('softmax'))
sgd = SGD(lr=0.1, decay=1e-6, momentum=0.9, nesterov=True)
model.compile(loss='categorical crossentropy',
              optimizer=sad,
              metrics=['accuracy'])
model.fit(X train, y train,
          n\overline{b} epoch=2\overline{0},
          batch size=16)
score = model.evaluate(X test, y test, batch size=16)
```

```
from keras.layers import Input, Dense
from keras.models import Model
# This returns a tensor
inputs = Input(shape=(784,))
# a layer instance is callable on a tensor, and returns a tensor
output_1 = Dense(64, activation='relu')(inputs)
output_2 = Dense(64, activation='relu')(output_1)
predictions = Dense(10, activation='softmax')(output_2)
# This creates a model that includes
# the Input laver and three Dense lavers
model = Model(inputs=inputs, outputs=predictions)
model.compile(optimizer='rmsprop',
              loss='categorical_crossentropy',
              metrics=['accuracy'])
model.fit(data, labels) # starts training
```

Current software – TensorFlow

```
# tf Graph input
41
42
    X = tf.placeholder("float", [None, n_input])
    Y = tf.placeholder("float", [None, n classes])
    # Store layers weight & bias
    weights = {
         'h1': tf.Variable(tf.random_normal([n_input, n_hidden_1])),
47
         'h2': tf.Variable(tf.random normal([n hidden 1, n hidden 2])),
         'out': tf.Variable(tf.random_normal([n_hidden_2, n_classes]))
    3
    biases = {
         'b1': tf.Variable(tf.random normal([n hidden 1])),
         'b2': tf.Variable(tf.random_normal([n_hidden_2])),
         'out': tf.Variable(tf.random_normal([n_classes]))
    }
```

```
58 # Create model
59 def multilayer_perceptron(x):
60 # Hidden fully connected layer with 256 neurons
61 layer_1 = tf.add(tf.matmul(x, weights['h1']), biases['b1'])
62 # Hidden fully connected layer with 256 neurons
63 layer_2 = tf.add(tf.matmul(layer_1, weights['h2']), biases['b2'])
64 # Output fully connected layer with a neuron for each class
65 out_layer = tf.matmul(layer_2, weights['out']) + biases['out']
66 return out_layer
67
68 # Construct model
69 logits = multilayer_perceptron(X)
```

Current software – PyTorch

```
class Net(nn.Module):
         def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, num_classes):
             super(Net, self).__init__()
             self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
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             self.relu = nn.ReLU()
             self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, num_classes)
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         def forward(self, x):
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             out = self.relu(out)
             out = self.fc2(out)
             return out
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    net = Net(input_size, hidden_size, num_classes)
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Most "mathematical" software packages contain some support of neural networks:

- MATLAB
- ► R
- STATISTICA
- Weka
- ► ...

The implementations are typically not on par with the previously mentioned dedicated deep-learning libraries.

Training linear models

Linear regression (ADALINE)

Architecture:



 $\vec{w} = (w_0, w_1, \dots, w_n)$ and $\vec{x} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ where $x_0 = 1$. Activity:

- inner potential: $\xi = w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i = \sum_{i=0}^n w_i x_i = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$
- activation function: $\sigma(\xi) = \xi$
- network function: $y[\vec{w}](\vec{x}) = \sigma(\xi) = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$

Learning:

Given a training dataset

$$\mathcal{T} = \left\{ \left(\vec{x}_1, d_1 \right), \left(\vec{x}_2, d_2 \right), \dots, \left(\vec{x}_p, d_p \right) \right\}$$

Here $\vec{x}_k = (x_{k0}, x_{k1} \dots, x_{kn}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$, $x_{k0} = 1$, is the *k*-th input, and $d_k \in \mathbb{R}$ is the expected output.

Intuition: The network is supposed to compute an affine approximation of the function (some of) whose values are given in the training set.

Oaks in Wisconsin

DBH Age (years) (inch) 97 12.5 93 12.5 88 8.0 81 9.5 75 16.5 57 11.0 52 10.5 45 9.0 6.0 28 1.5 15 12 1.0 11 1.0



Linear regression (ADALINE)

Error function:



• The goal is to find \vec{w} which minimizes $E(\vec{w})$.

Error function



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Fact

If $\nabla E(\vec{w}) = \vec{0} = (0, \dots, 0)$, then \vec{w} is a global minimum of E.

For ADALINE, the error function $E(\vec{w})$ is a convex paraboloid and thus has the unique global minimum.

Gradient - illustration



Caution! This picture just illustrates the notion of gradient ... it is not the convex paraboloid $E(\vec{w})$!

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{\ell}}(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \frac{\delta}{\delta w_{\ell}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n} w_{i} x_{ki} - d_{k} \right)^{2}$$

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MLP training - theory

Architecture – Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)



- Neurons partitioned into layers; one input layer, one output layer, possibly several hidden layers
- layers numbered from 0; the input layer has number 0
 - E.g. three-layer network has two hidden layers and one output layer
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Illustration of the gradient descent – XOR



Source: Pattern Classification (2nd Edition); Richard O. Duda, Peter E. Hart, David G. Stork

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SGD

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For simplicity, I will illustrate the reasoning on MLP + mse. Later we will see other topologies and error functions with different but always somewhat related issues.

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One can show (by a combinatorial argument) that larger networks have exponentially more saddle points than local minima.



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E.g. if the inner potentials are too large (in abs. value), then their derivative is extremely small.



Issues in gradient descent – too fast descent

 steep cliffs: the gradient is extremely large, descent skips important weight vectors



Issues in gradient descent – local vs global structure



What if we initialize on the left?

Gradient Descent in Large Networks

Theorem

Assume (roughly),

activation functions: "smooth" ReLU (softplus)

 $\sigma(z) = \log(1 + \exp(z))$

In general: Smooth, non-polynomial, analytic, Lipschitz continuous.

- inputs x
 _k of Euclidean norm equal to 1, desired values d_k satisfying |d_k| ∈ O(1),
- the number of hidden neurons per layer sufficiently large (polynomial in certain numerical characteristics of inputs roughly measuring their similarity, and exponential in the depth of the network),
- the learning rate constant and sufficiently small.

The gradient descent converges (with high probability w.r.t. random initialization) to a global minimum with zero error at linear rate. Later we get to a special type of networks called ResNet where the above result demands only polynomially many neurons per layer (w.r.t. depth).

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(E.g. minibatch size 10 000 means 100 times more computation than the size 100 but gives only 10 times less deviation.)

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It has been observed in practice that when using a larger batch there is a degradation in the quality of the model, as measured by its ability to generalize.

("On Large-Batch Training for Deep Learning: Generalization Gap and Sharp Minima". Keskar et al, ICLR'17)

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where $0 < \alpha < 1$.

Momentum – illustration



SGD with momentum

- weights in $\vec{w}^{(0)}$ are randomly initialized to values close to 0
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 - Choose (randomly) a set of training examples $T \subseteq \{1, ..., p\}$
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- Use settings from a successful solution of a similar problem as a baseline.
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 - Search through values from small (e.g. 0.001) to (0.1), possibly multiplying by 2.
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According to a 2018 paper by Leslie Smith this may converge much faster (100 epochs vs 800 epochs on CIFAR10 dataset).

For comparison of some methods see: AN EMPIRICAL STUDY OF LEARNING RATES IN DEEP NEURAL

NETWORKS FOR SPEECH RECOGNITION, Senior et al

So far we have considered fixed schedules for learning rates.

It is better to have

- larger rates for weights with smaller updates,
- smaller rates for weights with larger updates.

AdaGrad uses individually adapting learning rate for each weight.

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- η is a constant expressing the influence of the learning rate, typically 0.01.
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The main disadvantage of AdaGrad is the accumulation of the gradient throughout the whole learning process.

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Choice of (hidden) activations

Generic requirements imposed on activation functions:

1. differentiability

(to do gradient descent)

2. non-linearity

(linear multi-layer networks are equivalent to single-layer)

3. monotonicity

(local extrema of activation functions induce local extrema of the error function)

4. "linearity"

(i.e. preserve as much linearity as possible; linear models are easiest to fit; find the "minimum" non-linearity needed to solve a given task)

The choice of activation functions is closely related to input preprocessing and the initial choice of weights. I will illustrate the reasoning on sigmoidal functions; say few words about other activation functions later.

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- for too small weights we may get (almost) linear model.
- for too large weights the activations may get saturated and the learning will be very slow.

Hence, we want to choose weights so that the inner potentials of neurons will be roughly in the interval [-1, 1].

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- As before, we want the standard deviation o_j of the inner potential ξ_j to be approximately 1.
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- THE default activation function recommended for use with most feedforward neural networks.
- As close to linear function as possible; very simple; does not saturate for large potentials.
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SELU: Scaled variant of ELU: :

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Self-normalizing, i.e. output of each layer will tend to preserve a mean (close to) 0 and a standard deviation (close to) 1 for $\lambda \approx 1.050$ and $\alpha \approx 1.673$, properly initialized weights (see below) and normalized inputs (zero mean, standard deviation 1).

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- ► The default is ReLU.
- According to Aurélien Géron:

SELU > ELU > leakyReLU > ReLU > tanh > logistic

For discussion see: Hands-On Machine Learning with Scikit-Learn, Keras, and TensorFlow: Concepts, Tools, and Techniques to Build Intelligent Systems, Aurélien Géron

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More formally: It is typically assumed that the training set has been generated as follows:

$$d_{kj} = g_j(\vec{x}_k) + \Theta_{kj}$$

where g_j is the "underlying" function corresponding to the output neuron $j \in Y$ and Θ_{kj} is random noise.

The network should fit g_i not the noise.

Methods improving generalization are called **regularization methods**.

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von Neumann: "With four parameters I can fit an elephant, and with five I can make him wiggle his trunk."

... and I ask you prof. Neumann:

What can you fit with 40GB of parameters??

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In many applications the error function is not the main thing we want to optimize.

E.g. in the case of a trading system, we typically want to maximize our profit not to minimize (strange) error functions designed to be easily differentiable.

Also, as noted before, minimizing E completely is not good for generalization.

For start: We may employ standard approach of training on one set and stopping on another one.

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Alternatively, you may observe the gradient, if it is small for some time, stop.

(recent studies shown that this traditional rule is not too good: it may happen that the gradient is larger close to minimum values; on the other hand, *E* does not have to be evaluated which saves time.

To compare models you may use ML techniques such as various types of cross-validation etc.

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- there are some (useless) theoretical bounds
- there are algorithms dynamically adding/removing neurons (not much use nowadays)
- In practice: Start with an existing network solving similar problem.

If you are trully desperate trying to solve a brand new problem, you may try an ancient rule of thumb: the number of neurons \approx ten times less than the number of training instances.

Experiment, experiment, experiment.

Consider a two layer network. Hidden neurons are supposed to represent "patterns" in the inputs.

Example: Network 64-2-3 for letter classification:



sample training patterns

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learned input-to-hidden weights

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- Generate k training sets T₁, ..., T_k by sampling from T uniformly with replacement.
 If the number of samples is |T|, then on average |T_i| = (1 − 1/e)|T|.
- For each *i*, train a model M_i on T_i .
- Combine outputs of the models: for regression by averaging, for classification by (majority) voting.

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Dropout resembles bagging: Large ensemble of neural networks is trained "at once" on parts of the data.

Dropout is not exactly the same as bagging: The models share parameters, with each model inheriting a different subset of parameters from the parent neural network. This parameter sharing makes it possible to represent an exponential number of models with a tractable amount of memory.

In the case of bagging, each model is trained to convergence on its respective training set. This would be infeasible for large networks/training sets.

Dropout – details

The inner potential of a neuron j without dropout:

$$\xi_j = \sum_{i \in j_{\leftarrow}} w_{ji} y_i$$

The inner potential of a neuron j with dropout:

 $r_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(1/2)$ for all $i \in j_{\leftarrow} \setminus \{0\}$

$$\xi_j = \sum_{i \in j_{\leftarrow}} w_{ji}(r_i y_i)$$

(Intuitively, randomly chosen neurons are masked out.)

During inference do not drop out neurons and multiply values of neurons with 1/2. This compensates for the fact that without the drop out there are twice as many neurons.

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Weight decay is equivalent to the gradient descent with a constant learning rate ε and the following error function:

$$E'(\vec{w}) = E(\vec{w}) + \frac{\zeta}{2\varepsilon}(\vec{w}\cdot\vec{w})$$

Here $\frac{\zeta}{2\epsilon}(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w})$ is the L2 regularization that penalizes large weights. We use the gradient descent with a constant learning rate to illustrate the equivalence between L2 regularization and the weight decay. Both methods can be combined with other learning algorithms (AdaGrad, etc.). There are many more practical tips, optimization methods, regularization methods, etc.

For a very nice survey see

http://www.deeplearningbook.org/

... and also all other infinitely many urls concerned with deep learning.

Some applications

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Activity:

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- Steering wheel position determined by "center of mass" of neuron values.

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Learning: Trained during (live) drive.

- Front window view captured by a camera, 25 images per second.
- Training samples of the form (\vec{x}_k, \vec{d}_k) where
 - \vec{x}_k = image of the road
 - \vec{d}_k = corresponding position of the steering wheel
- position of the steering wheel "blurred" by Gaussian distribution:

$$d_{ki} = e^{-D_i^2/10}$$

where D_i is the distance of the *i*-th output from the one which corresponds to the correct position of the wheel.

(The authors claim that this was better than the binary output.)

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- If the driver is gentle enough, the car never learns how to get out of dangerous situations. A solution may be
 - turn off learning for a moment, then suddenly switch on, and let the net catch on,
 - let the driver drive as if being insane (dangerous, possibly expensive).
- The real view out of the front window is repetitive and boring, the net would overfit on few examples.

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"Boring" images solved as follows:

- a buffer of 200 images (including 15 copies of the original), in every step the system trains on the buffer
- after several updates a new image is captured, 15 copies are made and they will substitute 15 images in the buffer (5 chosen randomly, 10 with the **smallest** error).

ALVINN - learning

- pure backpropagation
- constant learning rate
- momentum, slowly increasing.

Results:

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ALVINN - weight development



Here $h1, \ldots, h5$ are hidden neurons.

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Allows comparison of various methods.

One of the best "old" results is the following:

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6-layer NN 784-2500-2000-1500-1000-500-10 (on GPU)
(Ciresan et al. 2010)
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Abstract: Good old on-line back-propagation for plain multi-layer perceptrons yields a very low 0.35 error rate on the famous MNIST handwritten digits benchmark. All we need to achieve this best result so far are many hidden layers, many neurons per layer, numerous deformed training images, and graphics cards to greatly speed up learning.

A famous application of a learning convolutional network LeNet-1 in 1998.

MNIST – LeNet1


Interpretation of output:

- the output neuron with the highest value identifies the digit.
- the same, but if the two largest neuron values are too close together, the input is rejected (i.e. no answer).

Learning:

Inputs:

training on 7291 samples, tested on 2007 samples

Results:

- error on test set without rejection: 5%
- error on test set with rejection: 1% (12% rejected)
- compare with dense MLP with 40 hidden neurons: error 1% (19.4% rejected)

The rest of the lecture is based on the online book Neural Networks and Deep Learning by Michael Nielsen. http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/index.html

- Convolutional networks are currently the best networks for image classification.
- Their common ancestor is LeNet-5 (and other LeNets) from nineties.

Y. LeCun, L. Bottou, Y. Bengio, and P. Haffner. Gradient-based learning applied to document recognition. Proceedings of the IEEE, 1998

AlexNet

In 2012 this network made a breakthrough in ILVSCR competition, taking the classification error from around 28% to 16%:



A convolutional network, trained on two GPUs.

Convolutional networks - local receptive fields

input neurons



Every neuron is connected with a field of $k \times k$ (in this case 5×5) neurons in the lower layer (this filed is *receptive field*).

Neuron is "standard": Computes a weighted sum of its inputs, applies an activation function.

Convolutional networks - stride length

Then we slide the local receptive field over by one pixel to the right (i.e., by one neuron), to connect to a second hidden neuron:

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The "size" of the slide is called *stride length*.

The group of all such neurons is *feature map*. all these neurons *share weights and biases*!



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Pooling

hidden neurons (output from feature map)



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Trained feature maps



(20 feature maps, receptive fields 5×5)

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Simple convolutional network



 28×28 input image, 3 feature maps, each feature map has its own max-pooling (field 5×5 , stride = 1), 10 output neurons.

Each neuron in the output layer gets input from each neuron in the pooling layer.

Trained using backprop, which can be easily adapted to convolutional networks.

Convolutional network



Simple convolutional network vs MNIST

two convolutional-pooling layers, one 20, second 40 feature maps, two dense (MLP) layers (1000-1000), outputs (10)

- Activation functions of the feature maps and dense layers: ReLU
- max-pooling
- output layer: soft-max
- Error function: negative log-likelihood (= cross-entropy)
- Training: SGD, mini-batch size 10
- learning rate 0.03
- L2 regularization with "weight" $\lambda = 0.1 + \text{dropout}$ with prob. 1/2
- training for 40 epochs (i.e. every training example is considered 40 times)
- Expanded dataset: displacement by one pixel to an arbitrary direction.
- Committee voting of 5 networks.



Out of 10 000 images in the test set, only these 33 have been incorrectly classified:





More complex convolutional networks

Convolutional networks have been used for classification of images from the ImageNet database (16 million color images, 20 thousand classes)



ImageNet Large-Scale Visual Recognition Challenge (ILSVRC)

- Competition in classification over a subset of images from ImageNet.
- Started in 2010, assisted in breakthrough in image recognition.
- Training set 1.2 million images, 1000 classes. Validation set: 50 000, test set: 150 000.
- Many images contain more than one object \Rightarrow model is allowed to choose five classes, the correct label must be among the five. (top-5 criterion).

AlexNet

ImageNet classification with deep convolutional neural networks, by Alex Krizhevsky, Ilya Sutskever, and Geoffrey E. Hinton (2012).



Trained on two GPUs (NVIDIA GeForce GTX 580)

Výsledky:

- accuracy 84.7% in top-5 (second best algorithm at the time 73.8%)
- 63.3% "perfect" (top-1) classification

The same set as in 2012, top-5 criterion.

GoogLeNet: deep convolutional network, 22 layers



Results:

Accuracy 93.33% top-5

ILSVRC 2015



Deep convolutional network

- Various numbers of layers, the winner has 152 layers
- Skip connections implementing residual learning

Error 3.57% in top-5.





Trimps-Soushen (The Third Research Institute of Ministry of Public Security)

There is no new innovative technology or novelty by Trimps-Soushen.

Ensemble of the pretrained models from Inception-v3, Inception-v4, Inception-ResNet-v2, Pre-Activation ResNet-200, and Wide ResNet (WRN-682).

Each of the models are strong at classifying some categories, but also weak at classifying some categories.

Test error: 2.99%



Top-20 typical errors

Out of 1458 misclassified images in Top-20:

| Error Categories | Numbers | Percentages(%) |
|-------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Label May Wrong | 221 | 15.16 |
| Multiple Objects (>5) | 118 | 8.09 |
| Non-Obvious Main Object | 355 | 24.35 |
| Confusing Label | 206 | 14.13 |
| Fine-grained Label | 258 | 17.70 |
| Obvious Wrong | 234 | 16.05 |
| Partial Object | 66 | 4.53 |

Predict: 1 *pencil box* 2 *diaper* 3 *bib* 4 *purse* 5 *running shoe*

Ground Truth: *sleeping bag*



Predict: 1 *dock submarine boathouse breakwater lifeboat*

Ground Truth: paper towel



Predict: 1 *bolete earthstar gyromitra hen of the woods mushroom*

Ground Truth: *stinkhorn*



Predict: 1 *apron plastic bag sleeping bag umbrella bulletproof vest*

Ground Truth: poncho



Superhuman convolutional nets?!

Andrej Karpathy: ...the task of labeling images with 5 out of 1000 categories guickly turned out to be extremely challenging, even for some friends in the lab who have been working on ILSVRC and its classes for a while. First we thought we would put it up on [Amazon Mechanical Turk]. Then we thought we could recruit paid undergrads. Then I organized a labeling party of intense labeling effort only among the (expert labelers) in our lab. Then I developed a modified interface that used GoogLeNet predictions to prune the number of categories from 1000 to only about 100. It was still too hard - people kept missing categories and getting up to ranges of 13-15% error rates. In the end I realized that to get anywhere competitively close to GoogLeNet, it was most efficient if I sat down and went through the painfully long training process and the subsequent careful annotation process myself... The labeling happened at a rate of about 1 per minute, but this decreased over time... Some images are easily recognized, while some images (such as those of fine-grained breeds of dogs, birds, or monkeys) can require multiple minutes of concentrated effort. I became very good at identifying breeds of dogs... Based on the sample of images I worked on, the GoogLeNet classification error turned out to be 6.8%... My own error in the end turned out to be 5.1%, approximately 1.7% better.

Does it really work?



"panda" 57.7% confidence **"gibbon"** 99.3% confidence

Convolutional networks - theory

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- pooling layer: "Neurons" organized into pooling maps, all neurons
 - compute a simple aggregate function (such as max),
 - have disjoint inputs.

Pooling after convolution is applied to each feature map separately.

I.e. a single pooling map after each feature map.

Convolutional networks – architecture

- Denote
 - X a set of input neurons
 - Y a set of output neurons
 - Z a set of all neurons $(X, Y \subseteq Z)$
- individual neurons denoted by indices i, j etc.
 - ξ_j is the inner potential of the neuron *j* after the computation stops

► y_j is the output of the neuron j after the computation stops

(define $y_0 = 1$ is the value of the formal unit input)

w_{ji} is the weight of the connection from *i* to *j*

(in particular, w_{j0} is the weight of the connection from the formal unit input, i.e. $w_{i0} = -b_i$ where b_i is the bias of the neuron *j*)

- j_← is a set of all *i* such that *j* is adjacent from *i* (i.e. there is an arc **to** *j* from *i*)
- *j*[→] is a set of all *i* such that *j* is adjacent to *i* (i.e. there is an arc **from** *j* to *i*)
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max-pooling:

$$y_j = \max_{i \in j_{\leftarrow}} y_i$$

avg-pooling:

$$y_j = \frac{\sum_{i \in j_{\leftarrow}} y_i}{|j_{\leftarrow}|}$$

A convolutional network is evaluated layer-wise (as MLP), for each $j \in Y$ we have that $y_j(\vec{w}, \vec{x})$ is the value of the output neuron *j* after evaluating the network with weights \vec{w} and input \vec{x} .

Convolutional networks – learning

Learning:

• Given a training set \mathcal{T} of the form

$$\left\{ \left(\vec{x}_k, \vec{d}_k \right) \mid k = 1, \dots, p \right\}$$

Here, every $\vec{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{|X|}$ is an *input vector* end every $\vec{d}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{|Y|}$ is the desired network output. For every $j \in Y$, denote by d_{kj} the desired output of the neuron j for a given network input \vec{x}_k (the vector \vec{d}_k can be written as $(d_{kj})_{i \in Y}$).

Error function – mean squared error (for example):

$$E(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} E_k(\vec{w})$$

where

$$E_k(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \in Y} (y_j(\vec{w}, \vec{x}_k) - d_{kj})^2$$

Convolutional networks – SGD

The algorithm computes a sequence of weight vectors $\vec{w}^{(0)}, \vec{w}^{(1)}, \vec{w}^{(2)}, \dots$

- weights in $\vec{w}^{(0)}$ are randomly initialized to values close to 0
- ▶ in the step t + 1 (here t = 0, 1, 2...), weights $\vec{w}^{(t+1)}$ are computed as follows:
 - Choose (randomly) a set of training examples $T \subseteq \{1, ..., p\}$

Compute

$$\vec{w}^{(t+1)} = \vec{w}^{(t)} + \Delta \vec{w}^{(t)}$$

where

$$\Delta \vec{w}^{(t)} = -\varepsilon(t) \cdot \frac{1}{|T|} \sum_{k \in T} \nabla E_k(\vec{w}^{(t)})$$

Here T is a *minibatch* (of a fixed size),

• $0 < \varepsilon(t) \le 1$ is a *learning rate* in step t + 1

► $\nabla E_k(\vec{w}^{(t)})$ is the gradient of the error of the example *k* Note that the random choice of the minibatch is typically implemented by randomly shuffling all data and then choosing minibatches sequentially. **Epoch** consists of one round through all data.

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for every j ∈ Z \ Y such that j[→] is max-pooling: Then j[→] = {i} for a single "max" neuron and we have

$$\frac{\partial E_k}{\partial y_j} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial E_k}{\partial y_i} & \text{if } j = arg \ max_{r \in i_{\leftarrow}} y_r \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

I.e. gradient can be propagated from the output layer downwards as in MLP.

- Conv. nets. are nowadays the most used networks in image processing (and also in other areas where input has some local, "spatially" invariant properties)
- Typically trained using the gradient descent.
- Due to the weight sharing allow (very) deep architectures.
- Typically extended with more adjustments and tricks in their topologies.

The problem of cancer detection in WSI



The problem: Detect cancer in this image.

The problem of cancer detection in WSI



WSI annotated by pathologists, not pixel level precise!

Input data

WSI too large, 105,185 px Œ 221,772 px

Cut into patches of size 512 px Œ 512 px



Patch positive iff the inner square intersects the annotation

Training on WSI

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- Training data three step sampling:
 - 1. randomly select a label
 - 2. randomly select a slide containing at least a single patch with the label
 - 3. randomly select a patch with the label from the slide

VGG16



 3×3 convolutions, stride 1, padding 1. Max pooling 2×2 , stride 2.

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- Training:
 - RMSprop optimizer
 - The "forgetting" hyperparameter: $\rho = 0.9$
 - ► The initial learning rate 5 × 10⁻⁵
 - If no improvement in E on validation data for 3 consecutive epochs ⇒ half the learning rate
 - If no improvement in ROCAUC on validation data for 5 consecutive epochs ⇒ terminate
 - Momentum with the weight $\alpha = 0.9$

Prediction



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Choosing t close to 1, we have achieved 100% accuracy, i.e., slide positive iff predicted positive. Problem solved ... No?

Can we detect cancer in patches?



Predict *I* positive iff $F(I) \ge 0.75$

PREDICTED

Single WSI:







Ok, does it detect cancer?

Model evaluation – attempt 3 – FROC

Detect particular tumors ?



How to evaluate the quality of tumor detection?

Model evaluation – attempt 3 – FROC



sensitivity \approx the proportion of tumors containing at least one patch *I* with $F(I) \ge t$ w.r.t. all tumors in all slides

AvgFP \approx average number of patches *I* with $F(I) \ge t$ in each non-cancerous slide

Explainable methods (XAI)

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Methods based on various principles:

- Visualize weights and feature maps
- Visualize most important inputs for a given class
- Visualize the effect of input perturbations on the output
- Construct an intepretable surrogate model
Alex-net - filters of the first convolutional layer



- 64 filters of depth 3 (RGB)
- Combined each filter RGB channels into one RGB image of size 11x11x3.

CNN - feature maps





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CNN - feature maps - radar target classification





Synthetic-aperture radar (SAR) – used to create two-dimensional images or three-dimensional reconstructions of objects, such as landscapes.

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cup

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Here $\frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial X}$ is the vector of all partial derivatives $\frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial y_k}$ where $k \in X$.

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Quite noisy, the signal is spread and does not say much about the perception of the owl.

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SmoothGrad:

- Do the following several times:
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Consider the last convolutional layer of the VGG16 (Block5, Conv3)

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From left to right:

- An image of a cat (has to be resized to 224 × 224 to fit VGG16)
- The gradCAM heat map for the last convolutional layer and the class "cat"
- Rescaled and smoothed gradCAM heat map.
- The gradCAM overlay.

- Systematically cover parts of the input image.
- Observe the effect on the output value.
- Find regions with the largest effect.

Occlusion - example



['harmonica, mouth organ, harp, mouth harp']





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Train a linear model (ADALINE) with weights w₀, w₁,..., w_l on T. Intuitively, the linear model approximates the network on "subimages" of *I* obtained by removing some superpixels.

Inspect the weights (magnitude and sign).

LIME

More precisely, we train a linear model (ADALINE) *F* with weights $\vec{w} = w_0, w_1, \dots, w_\ell$ on \mathcal{T} minimizing the weighted mean-squared error

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{w}) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{k=1}^{p} \pi_k \cdot (F(\vec{x}_k) - \xi_i(I[\vec{x}_k]))^2 + \Omega(\vec{w})$$

where

the weights are defined by

$$\pi_k = \exp\left(\frac{-(1-\sqrt{1-(s_k/\ell)})^2}{2\nu^2}\right)$$

Here s_k is the number of elements in \vec{x}_k equal to zero, ℓ is the number of superpixels, ν determines how much perturbed images are taken into account in the error.

Small ν means that π_k is close to zero for \vec{x}_k with many zeros.

• $\Omega(\vec{w})$ is a regularization term making the number of non-zero weights as small as possible.







Original Image P(tree frog) = 0.54





Explanation



(a) Original Image

(b) Explaining Electric guitar (c) Explaining Acoustic guitar

(d) Explaining Labrador



(a) Husky classified as wolf



(b) Explanation

Recurrent Neural Networks - LSTM



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- \vec{h}_t is the memory of the network, captures what happened in all previous steps (with decaying quality).
- RNN shares weights U, V, W along the sequence. Note the similarity to convolutional networks where the weights were shared spatially over images, here they are shared temporally over sequences.
- RNN can deal with sequences of variable length. Compare with MLP which accepts only fixed-dimension vectors on input.

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Recall that we have a sequence of network outputs $\mathbf{y} = \vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_T$ and thus y_{tk} is the *k*-th component of \vec{y}_t

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Long-term dependencies

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► Unless $\sum_{k'=1}^{H} \sigma' \cdot W_{k'k} \approx 1$, the gradient either vanishes, or explodes.

- For a large T (long-term dependency), the gradient "deeper" in the past tends to be too small (large).
- A solution: LSTM

LSTM is currently a bit obsolete. The main idea is to decompose W into several matrices, each responsible for a different task. One is concerned about memory, one is concerned about the output at each step, etc.

LSTM

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- is the component-wise product of vectors
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- σ_h hyperbolic tangents (applied component-wise)
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Source: https://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Understanding-LSTMs/

- LSTM (almost) solves the vanishing gradient problem w.r.t. the "internal" state of the network.
- Learns to control its own memory (via forget gate).
- Revolution in machine translation and text processing.
- ... but the development goes on ...

RNN text generator

Generating texts letter by letter.



- Generating Shakespeare letter by letter.
- Trained on Shakespeare's plays (4.4MB).

VIOLA: Why, Salisbury must find his flesh and thought That which I am not aps, not a man and in fire, To show the reining of the raven and the wars To grace my hand reproach within, and not a fair are hand, That Caesar and my goodly father's world; When I was heaven of presence and our fleets, We spare with hours, but cut thy council I am great, Murdered and by thy master's ready there My power to give thee but so much as hell: Some service in the noble bondman here, Would show him to her wine.

KING LEAR: O, if you were a feeble sight, the courtesy of your law, Your sight and several breath, will wear the gods With his heads, and my hands are wonder'd at the deeds, So drop upon your lordship's head, and your opinion Shall be against your honour.

Wikipedia

Hutter Prize 100MB dataset from Wikipedia (96MB) Naturalism and decision for the majority of Arab countries' capitalide was grounded by the Irish language by [[John Clair]], [[An Imperial Japanese Revolt]], associated with Guangzham's sovereignty. His generals were the powerful ruler of the Portugal in the [[Protestant Immineners]], which could be said to be directly in Cantonese Communication, which followed a ceremony and set inspired prison, training. The emperor travelled back to [[Antioch, Perth, October 25[21]] to note, the Kingdom of Costa Rica, unsuccessful fashioned the [[Thrales]], [[Cynth's Dajoard]], known in western [[Scotland]], near Italy to the conquest of India with the conflict. Copyright was the succession of independence in the slop of Syrian influence that was a famous German movement based on a more popular servicious, non-doctrinal and sexual power post. Many governments recognize the military housing of the [[Civil Liberalization and Infantry Resolution 265 National Party in Hungary]], that is sympathetic to be to the [[Punjab Resolution]] (PJS)[http: //www.humah.yahoo.com/guardian.cfm/7754800786d17551963s89.htm Official economics Adjoint for the Nazism, Montgomery was swear to advance to the resources for those Socialism's rule, was starting to signing a

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- Algebraic geometry textbook.
- LaTeX source (16MB).
- Almost compilable.

Proof. Omitted.

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 $\mathcal{O}_X(\mathcal{F}) = \{morph_1 \times_{\mathcal{O}_X} (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F})\}$

where \mathcal{G} defines an isomorphism $\mathcal{F} \to \mathcal{F}$ of \mathcal{O} -modules.

Lemma 0.2. This is an integer Z is injective.

Proof. See Spaces, Lemma ??.

Lemma 0.3. Let S be a scheme. Let X be a scheme and X is an affine open covering. Let $U \subset X$ be a canonical and locally of finite type. Let X be a scheme. Let X be a scheme which is equal to the formal complex.

The following to the construction of the lemma follows.

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 $b: X \to Y' \to Y \to Y \to Y' \times_X Y \to X.$

be a morphism of algebraic spaces over S and Y.

Proof. Let X be a nonzero scheme of X. Let X be an algebraic space. Let \mathcal{F} be a quasi-coherent sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -modules. The following are equivalent

- *F* is an algebraic space over S.
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Consider a common structure on X and X the functor $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{Y}}(U)$ which is locally of

 Trained on all source files of Linux kernel concatenated into a single file (474MB of C code).

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* Increment the size file of the new incorrect UI FILTER group information
* of the size generatively.
static int indicate policy(void)
 int error:
 if (fd == MARN EPT) {
     * The kernel blank will coeld it to userspace.
    if (ss->segment < mem total)</pre>
      unblock graph and set blocked();
    else
      ret = 1:
    goto bail;
 segaddr = in SB(in.addr);
 selector = seq / 16;
 setup works = true;
 for (i = 0; i < blocks; i++) {</pre>
   seq = buf[i++];
    bpf = bd->bd.next + i * search:
   if (fd) {
      current = blocked;
    }
  rw->name = "Getjbbregs";
 bprm self clearl(&iv->version);
  regs->new = blocks[(BPF STATS << info->historidac)] | PFMR CLOBATHINC SECONDS << 12;</pre>
 return segtable;
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#include <linux/kexec.h>
#include <linux/errno.h>
#include <linux/io.h>
#include <linux/platform_device.h>
#include <linux/multi.h>
#include <linux/kevent.h>

#include <asm/io.h>
#include <asm/prom.h>
#include <asm/e820.h>
#include <asm/system_info.h>
#include <asm/setew.h>
#include <asm/pgproto.h>

Evolution of Shakespeare

100 iter.:

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1200 iter.:

"Kite vouch!" he repeated by her door. "But I would be done and quarts, feeling, then, son is people...."

2000 iter.:

"Why do what that day," replied Natasha, and wishing to himself the fact the princess, Princess Mary was easier, fed in had oftened him. Pierre aking his soul came to the packs and drove up his father-in-law women. Consider the following task: Given a sequence of vectors

$$\mathbf{x} = \vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_T$$

generate a new sequence

$$\mathbf{y}=\vec{y}_1,\ldots,\vec{y}_{T'}$$

of possibly different length (i.e., possibly $T \neq T'$).

E.g., a machine translation task, \mathbf{x} is an embedding of an English sentence, \mathbf{y} is a sequence of probability distributions on a German vocabulary.

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Trained on pairs of sentences, able to learn a fine translation between major languages (if the recurrent networks are LSTM).

Is not perfect because all info about $\mathbf{x} = \vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_T$ is squeezed into the single state vector \vec{h}_T .

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$$ec{c}_i = \sum_{j=1}^T lpha_{ij} ec{h}_j$$
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where $e_{ij} = \texttt{MLP}(\vec{h}'_{i-1}, \vec{h}_j)$

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Can be used to generate text:

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The multi-head attention produces the following output:

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where

$$\vec{y}_k = W_{out} \cdot \left(\vec{y}_k^1 \odot \vec{y}_k^2 \odot \cdots \vec{y}_k^H \right)$$

Here \odot is a concatenation of vectors.

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Each attention head operates independently on the input $\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_T$.

Matrix Wout.

Linearly transforms the concatenated results of the attention heads.

GPT - transformer



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Given an input sequence $\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_T$ we add the position embedding to each \vec{x}_k obtaining a new input sequence $\vec{x}'_1, \ldots, \vec{x}'_T$ where

$$\vec{x}_k' = \vec{x}_k + \vec{P}_k$$

Positional encoding/embedding



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- Vertically: Sinusoidal functions
- Horizontally: Decreasing frequency

For any offset $o \in \{1, ..., T\}$ there is a linear transformation M such that for any $k \in \{1, ..., T - o\}$ we have $M\vec{P}_k = \vec{P}_{k+o}$. Intuitively, just rotate each component of the \vec{P}_k appropriately.

GPT-2 - transformer



Layer normalization

Given a vector $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, the *layer normalization* computes:

$$\vec{x}' = \gamma \cdot \frac{(\vec{x} - \mu)}{\sigma} + \beta$$

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The input to the layer normalization is a sequence of vectors: $\vec{x}_1, \ldots, \vec{x}_T$. The layer normalization is applied to each \vec{x}_k , producing a sequence of "normalized" vectors.

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Compute the error:

$$-\sum_{\ell=1}^{T-1}\log\left(\vec{y}_\ell[a_{\ell+1}]\right)$$

Here $\vec{y}_{\ell}[a_{k+1}]$ is the probability of a_{k+1} in the distribution \vec{y}_k .

GPT - inference



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Sample the next token from

$$a_{\ell+1} \sim \vec{y}_{\ell}$$

https://transformer.huggingface.co/doc/distil-gpt2

Architectures:

- Multi-layer perceptron (MLP):
 - dense connections between layers
- Convolutional networks (CNN):
 - local receptors, feature maps
 - pooling
- Recurrent networks (RNN):
 - self-loops but still feed-forward through time
- Transformer
 - Attention, query-key-value

Training:

gradient descent algorithm + heuristics