Deep Learning

Convolutional Neural Network (CNNs)

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Convolutional networks are simply neural networks that use convolution in place of general matrix multiplication in at least one of their layers.



This operation is called convolution.

$$s(t) = \int x(a)w(t-a)da$$

The convolution operation is typically denoted with an asterisk:

s(t) = (x * w)(t)

If we now assume that x and w are defined only on integer t, we can define the discrete convolution:

$$s[t] = (x * w)(t) = \sum_{a=-\infty}^{\infty} x[a]w[t-a]$$

In practice

we often use convolutions over more than one axis at a time.

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[m,n]K[i-m,j-n]$$

The input is usually a multidimensional array of data.

The kernel is usually a multidimensional array of parameters that should be learned.

we assume that these functions are zero everywhere but the finite set of points for which we store the values.

we can implement the infinite summation as a summation over a finite number of array elements.

convolution and cross-correlation

convolution is commutative

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[i-m,j-n]K[m,n]$$

Cross-correlation,

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[i+m,j+n]K[m,n]$$

Many machine learning libraries implement cross-correlation but call it convolution.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ma0YONjMZLI
Fig 9.1

Discrete convolution can be viewed as multiplication by a matrix.



Image





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4 3 4

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Convolved Feature

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Convolved Feature

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- In feed forward neural network every output unit interacts with every input unit.
- Convolutional networks, typically have sparse connectivity (sparse weights)
- This is accomplished by making the kernel smaller than the input

- When we have *m* inputs and *n* outputs, then matrix multiplication requires $m \times n$ parameters. and the algorithms used in practice have $O(m \times n)$ runtime (per example).
- limit the number of connections each output may have to k, then requires only $k \times n$ parameters and $O(k \times n)$ runtime.

In a traditional neural net, each element of the weight matrix is multiplied by one element of the input. i.e. It is used once when computing the output of a layer.

In CNNs each member of the kernel is used at every position of the input

Instead of learning a separate set of parameters for every location, we learn only one set.

Equivariance

A function f(x) is equivariant to a function g if f(g(x)) = g(f(x)).



Figure from Wikipedia

A convolutional layer have equivariance to translation. For example

g(x)[i] = x[i-1]

If we apply this transformation to x, then apply convolution, the result will be the same as if we applied convolution to x, then applied the transformation to the output.

For images, convolution creates a 2-D map of where certain features appear in the input.

Note that convolution is not equivariant to some other transformations, such as changes in the scale or rotation of an image.

Convolutional Networks

The first stage (Convolution): the layer performs several convolutions in parallel to produce a set of preactivations.

The second stage (Detector): each preactivation is run through a nonlinear activation function (e.g. rectified linear).

The third stage (Pooling)



Popular Pooling functions

The maximum of a rectangular neighborhood (Max pooling operation)



The average of a rectangular neighborhood.

The L2 norm of a rectangular neighborhood.

A weighted average based on the distance from the central pixel.

Pooling with downsampling



Max-pooling with a pool width of 3 and a stride between pools of 2. This reduces the representation size by a factor of 2, which reduces the computational and statistical burden on the next layer.

Pooling and translations

pooling helps to make the representation become invariant to small translations of the input.



In Right panel, the input has been shifted to the right by 1 pixel. Every value in the bottom row has changed, but only half of the values in the top row have changed. Invariance to local translation can be a very useful property if we care more about whether some feature is present than exactly where it is.

For example: In a face, we need not know the exact location of the eyes.

Example: we want to classify images of variable size.

The input to the classification layer must have a fixed size.

In the final pooling output (for example) four sets of summary statistics, one for each quadrant of an image, regardless of the image size.

It is also possible to dynamically pool features together, for example, by running a clustering algorithm on the locations of interesting features (Boureau et al., 2011).

i.e. a different set of pooling regions for each image.

Learn a single pooling structure that is then applied to all images (Jia et al., 2012).

Convolution and Pooling as an Infinitely Strong Prior

A weak prior is a prior distribution with high entropy, such a Gaussian distribution with high variance

A strong prior has very low entropy, such as a Gaussian distribution with low variance.

An infinitely strong prior places zero probability on some parameters and says

a convolutional net is similar to a fully connected net with an infinitely strong prior over its weights.

Convolution and Pooling as an Infinitely Strong Prior

The weights for one hidden unit must be identical to the weights of its neighbor, but shifted in space. The weights must be zero, except for in the small, spatially contiguous receptive field assigned to that hidden unit.

use of convolution as infinitely strong prior probability distribution over the parameters of a layer. This prior says that the function the layer should learn contains only local interactions and is equivariant to translation. Convolution and Pooling as an Infinitely Strong Prior

the use of pooling is in infinitely strong prior that each unit should be invariant to small translations.

convolution and pooling can cause underfitting

The input is usually not just a grid of real values.

It is a grid of vector-valued observations.

For example, a color image has a red, green, and blue intensity at each pixel.

When working with images, we usually think of the input and output of the convolution as 3-D tensors.

One index into the different channels and two indices into the coordinates of each channel.

Software implementations usually work in batch mode, so they will actually use 4-D tensors, with the fourth axis indexing different examples in the batch.

Suppose we want to train a convolutional network that incorporates convolution of kernel stack K applied to multi-channel image V with stride s: c(K, V, s)

Suppose we want to minimize some loss function J(V, K). During forward propagation, we will need to use c itself to output Z,

 ${\cal Z}$ is propagated through the rest of the network and used to compute ${\cal J}.$

During backpropagation, we will receive a tensor G such that $G_{i,j,k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Z_{i,j,k}} J(V, K).$

To train the network, we need to compute the derivatives with respect to the weights in the kernel. To do so, we can use a function

$$g(G, V, s)_{i,j,k,l} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Z_{i,j,k}} J(V, K) = \sum_{m,n} G_{i,m,n} V_{j,m \times s+k,n \times s+l}.$$

If this layer is not the bottom layer of the network, we?ll need to compute the gradient with respect to V in order to backpropagate the error farther down. To do so, we can use a function

 $h(K, G, s)i, j, k = \frac{\partial}{\partial V_{i, i, k}} J(V, K) = \sum_{\substack{\text{All Ghods}}} \sum_{\substack{\text{Deep Learning}}} \sum_{\substack{K_{q, i, m, p} \in G_{i, l, n}}} K_{q, i, m, p} G_{i, l, n}.$

the most expensive part of convolutional network training is learning the features.

When performing supervised training with gradient descent, every gradient step requires a complete run of forward propagation and backward propagation through the entire network.

use features that are not trained in a supervised fashion.

There are two basic strategies for obtaining convolution kernels without supervised training. One is to simply initialize them randomly.

learn them with an unsupervised criterion.

Random filters often work surprisingly well in convolutional networks.

layers consisting of convolution following by pooling naturally become frequency selective and translation invariant when assigned random weights.

that this provides an inexpensive way to choose the architecture of a convolutional network: first evaluate the performance of several convolutional network architectures by training only the last layer, then take the best of these architectures and train the entire architecture using a more expensive approach.