Report on CNN/Scattering classification comparison

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Introduction

This document illustrates the project valid for the Visual Intelligence course of the academic year 2022/2023.

The assignment tests the knowledge gained in class by going on to apply signal analysis methods, in particular we classified signals using **Convolutional Neural Networks** and using wavelet theory, specifically **Wavelet Scattering**. We wrote the code for both types of classifications and then compared the results and checked the veracity of the results.

For the entire project, we followed the guidelines of laboratory classes.

Dataset

Objectives

CNN Classification

4.1 What is a CNN

A Convolutional Neural Network (**CNN**) is a type of deep learning algorithm commonly used for image recognition and computer vision tasks. It is designed to automatically learn and extract relevant features from input images through convolutional and pooling layers, followed by fully connected layers that produce output predictions.

The CNN_128x128 architecture consists of four **convolutional** layers and three fully connected layers. The first layer takes an input image with <code>input_channel</code> number of channels, and the output of the last layer is a vector with <code>num_classes</code> elements representing the probability of each class.

4.2 Architecture

4.2.1 Convolutional Layers

The first convolutional layer has 32 output channels, while the second convolutional layer has 64 output channels. The third and fourth convolutional layers also have 64 output channels, but they use a smaller kernel size of 5x5 instead of 9x9 used in the first two layers. All convolutional layers have a stride of 1 and use a **Rectified Linear Unit** (**ReLU**) activation function.

4.2.2 Dropout

The dropout layer is used to prevent overfitting in the model. In this architecture, we use a dropout rate of 0.1.

4.2.3 Flatten Layer

The flatten layer is used to convert the output of the last convolutional layer into a vector (tensor), which can be used as input to the fully connected layers. In this architecture, the flatten layer converts the output of the last convolutional layer into a vector of size 576.

4.2.4 Fully Connected Layers

The fully connected layers consist of three layers, with 256, 32 and num_classes neurons respectively. All fully connected layers use a ReLU activation function except for the last layer which uses the **softmax function** to output the class probabilities.

4.3 Training the Model

To train the model, we pass the input images through the CNN and compute the loss function (in this case **cross-entropy**) between the predicted class probabilities and the true labels. We use **stochastic gradient descent** to optimize the model weights, with a *learning rate* of 0.001 and a *momentum* of 0.9. The model is trained for a fixed number of epochs, and the best model is selected based on its performance on a validation set.

Scattering+NN Classification

Performances comparison

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Conclusions