A Neural Algorithm of Artistic Style

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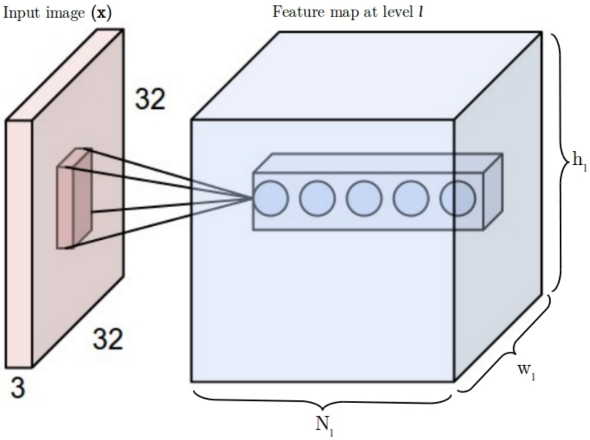
Notations

- **a**: The original image
- **x**: The image to be generated. It is initiated as a random noise image.
- F^l: **Feature Map** at level l, is the result of appling filters at level l. If N_l filters are applier at level l, then this feature map has a depth of N_l.
- N_l: The number of filters applier at level l. This is the same as the depts of the feature map at level l.
- M_l: the dimension of the feature map at level l, which is equal to $N_l \times M_l$.
- $\mathbf{F}^l$: The feature map at level l. it is an $N_l \times M_l$ matrix.

Notations



Content Representation

- Gradient descent is performed on a white noise image ($\mathbf{x}$).
- F^l and P^l: Respective feature maps of the noise image and the original image
- Goal: Reduce the overal difference between F^l and P^l.

$$\mathcal{L}(p, x) = \sum_{l=1}^{L} E_l \tag{1}$$

where E_l is

$$E_l = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_l} \sum_{j=1}^{M_l} (F_{ij}^l - P_{ij}^l)^2 \tag{2}$$

Content Representation

The gradient can be easily calculated:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{style}}{\partial F^l_{ij}} = \frac{\partial E_l}{\partial F^l_{ij}} == (\mathbf{F}^l - \mathbf{P}^l)_{ij} \tag{3}$$

Style Representation

Style representation is achived via the "Gram Matrix" G. Gram matrix is an $N_l \times N_l$ matrix which calculates the correlations between different filter responses.

$$\mathbf{G^l}_{ij} = \mathbf{F^l}^{\mathbf{T}}_i \times \mathbf{F^l}_j = (\mathbf{F^l}^{\mathbf{T}} \times \mathbf{F^l})_{ij} \tag{4}$$

Style Representation

Given G^l and A^l as respective Gram matrices of the noise image and the original image, our goal is to reduce the overal difference between G^l and A^l. In ths sense, Contribution of layer l to the total loss is

$$E_l = \frac{1}{4N_l^2 M_l^2} \sum_i^{N_l} \sum_j^{N_l} (G_{ij}^l - A_{ij}^l)^2 = \mathbf{1}^T(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{A})(\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{A})^T \qquad (5)$$

Style Representation

The total loss is:

$$\mathcal{L}_{style}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{l=0}^{L} w_l E_l \tag{6}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{style}}{\partial F_{ij}^l} = \frac{\partial E_l}{\partial F_{ij}^l} = (4(\mathbf{G}^l - \mathbf{A}^l) \times \mathbf{F}^l)_{ij} \tag{7}$$

Style Representation

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