

Neural Kernel Without Tangents

Convolution Kernel

Convolution. The convolution operation c_w maps an input tensor \mathbf{K}_{in} to an output tensor \mathbf{K}_{out} of the same shape: $N \times D_1 \times D_2 \times N \times D_1 \times D_2$. w is an integer denoting the size of the convolution (e.g. $w = 1$ denotes a 3×3 convolution).

The elements of $\mathbf{K}_{out} = c_w(\mathbf{K}_{in})$ can be written as:

$$K_{out}[i, j, k, \ell, m, n] = \sum_{dx=-w}^w \sum_{dy=-w}^w K_{in}[i, j + dx, k + dy, \ell, m + dx, n + dy]$$

For out-of-bound location indexes, we simply zero pad the \mathbf{K}_{in} so all out-of-bound accesses return zero.

Average Pooling Kernel

Average pooling. The average pooling operation p_w downsamples the spatial dimension, mapping an input tensor \mathbf{K}_{in} of shape $N \times D_1 \times D_2 \times N \times D_1 \times D_2$ to an output tensor \mathbf{K}_{out} of shape $N \times (D_1/w) \times (D_2/w) \times N \times (D_1/w) \times (D_2/w)$. We assume D_1 and D_2 are divisible by w .

The elements of $\mathbf{K}_{out} = p_w(\mathbf{K}_{in})$ can be written as:

$$K_{out}[i, j, k, \ell, m, n] = \frac{1}{w^4} \sum_{a=1}^w \sum_{b=1}^w \sum_{c=1}^w \sum_{d=1}^w \left(K_{in}[i, wj + a, wk + b, \ell, wm + c, wn + d] \right)$$

ReLU Kernel

The ReLU embedding, k_{relu} , is shape preserving, mapping an input tensor \mathbf{K}_{in} of shape $N \times D_1 \times D_2 \times N \times D_1 \times D_2$ to an output tensor \mathbf{K}_{out} of shape $N \times D_1 \times D_2 \times N \times D_1 \times D_2$. To ease the notation, we define two auxiliary tensors: \mathbf{A} with shape $N \times D_1 \times D_2$ and \mathbf{B} with shape $N \times D_1 \times D_2 \times N \times D_1 \times D_2$, where the elements of each are:

$$A[i, j, k] = \sqrt{K_{in}[i, j, k, i, j, k]}$$
$$B[i, j, k, \ell, m, n] = \arccos \left(\frac{K_{in}[i, j, k, \ell, m, n]}{A[i, j, k]A[\ell, m, n]} \right)$$

ReLU Kernel

The elements of $\mathbf{K}_{out} = k_{relu}(\mathbf{K}_{in})$ can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} & K_{out}[i, j, k, \ell, m, n] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \left(A[i, j, k] A[\ell, m, n] \sin(B[i, j, k, \ell, m, n]) + \right. \\ & \quad \left. (\pi - B[i, j, k, \ell, m, n]) \cos(B[i, j, k, \ell, m, n]) \right) \end{aligned}$$

