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SECTION (1/3) Deep Submodular Function - DSF

Architecture

- Currently, our work trains a DSF for each image separately.
- We learn DSF's on images of size 28 x 28 and we need to assign a pixel-wise importance for each image. Hence, inputs to our DSF are bit-vectors of size 28 x 28. Following is the architecture:

```
def sqrt(input):  
    return torch.sqrt(input)
```

```
class DSF(nn.Module): # In PyTorch, classes for Neural Networks should  
    sub-class nn.Module which is the base-class.
```

```
    def __init__(self):  
        super(DSF, self).__init__()  
        self.fc1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 512)  
        self.fc2 = nn.Linear(512, 256)  
        self.fc3 = nn.Linear(256, 32)  
        self.fc4 = nn.Linear(32, 1)
```

```
    def forward(self, x):  
        x = x.view(-1, 28 * 28)  
        x = self.fc1(x)  
        x = sqrt(x)  
        x = self.fc2(x)  
        x = sqrt(x)  
        x = self.fc3(x)  
        x = sqrt(x)  
        x = self.fc4(x)  
        return x
```

Training

- We use **Batch-Gradient descent** as we do not have a large enough dataset for a mini-batch setup.
- OPTIMIZER: We use learning rates determined by Adagrad. Adagrad is usually preferred when the data is sparse & we observed the same.
- GRADIENT DESCENT: At each epoch, we backpropagate (using "**loss.backward()**") and update the weights using gradient descent (using "**optimizer.step()**").
- PROJECTION: The projection step with non-negativity constraints, is just the operation $\max(0, w)$ on weights w . Hence, after each weight update, we call "**clamp_zero**" class:

```
class clamp_zero(object):
    def __init__(self):
        pass

    def __call__(self, module):
        if hasattr(module, 'weight'):
            w = module.weight.data
            w.copy_(torch.clamp(w, min=0))
        if hasattr(module, 'bias'):
            w = module.bias.data
            w.copy_(torch.clamp(w, min=0))
```

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SECTION (2/3) MORE ON LOSS COMPUTATION

- The [original DSF paper \(https://arxiv.org/pdf/1701.08939.pdf\)](https://arxiv.org/pdf/1701.08939.pdf) trains DSF with only discrete supervision.
- Our loss (equation (2) in our [paper \(https://arxiv.org/pdf/2104.09073.pdf\)](https://arxiv.org/pdf/2104.09073.pdf)) comes from supervision via real inputs (multiplied with λ_1) and supervision via binarized inputs (multiplied with λ_2).
- In order to compute our loss with discrete supervision, we need to solve Cardinality Constrained Submodular Maximization problems at each training epoch.
 - We need solutions to this problem for a list of cardinalities. However, due to the greedy nature of Greedy Cardinality Constrained Submodular Maximization algorithm, we need to solve the problem only for the maximum value in the list of cardinalities.

Overview of the Greedy Cardinality Constrained Submodular Maximization:

Initially, $A = \{\}$; $f(A) = f(0)$.

1. Let $\bar{A} = A \cup \{\operatorname{argmax}_{v \in V \setminus A} f(A \cup \{v\})\}$
2. if $f(\bar{A}) > f(A)$:

$$A = \bar{A}$$

else:

return A

The above two steps are repeated atmost K times.

Problem with a naive implementation: This would demand $O(|V|K)$ calls to the DSF Neural Network at every training epoch.

Solution: At every training epoch, we can just have $O(K)$ calls to the DSF by everytime inferring on a batch of $|V|$ -sized inputs where the i^{th} input in the batch represents $A \cup \{v_i\}$.

Implementation Details with an example

- Let V be the universe with $|V| = 4$. For our work, $|V|$ is the resolution of images which was always a perfect square in the datasets we used.
- Initially, $A = \{\}$; $f(A) = f(0)$.
- We use a matrix \mathbf{x} whose column i represents $A \cup \{v_i\}$ where $v_i \in V$. Initially, $\mathbf{x} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- We repeat the following atmost K times

We reshape \mathbf{x} to get **inputs** because PyTorch demands inputs to be of the form (*batch_size, number_of_channels, height, width*). For our work, *batch_size* is $|V|$, *number_of_channels* is 1, *height*=*width*= $\sqrt{|V|}$.

outputs = $f(\mathbf{inputs})$ # The i^{th} entry in this vector corresponds to $f(A \cup \{v_i\})$

$i = \text{argmax}_i \mathbf{outputs}[i]$

if $\mathbf{outputs}[i] > f(A)$:

$f(A) = \mathbf{outputs}[i]$ # We include $\{v_i\}$ in A and update $f(A)$

As A has been updated to $A \cup \{v_i\}$, we update the i^{th} row of \mathbf{x} to all 1's. E.g. if $i = 1$ then $\mathbf{x} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The 2nd column is not of interest to us anymore as v_1 has already been chosen. We can remove that column and reduce our batch-size by 1 but for simplicity, we did not. **NOTE** that due to monotonicity of DSF, the 2nd column won't again be chosen via *argmax* as it

contains lesser number of 1's.

Implementation of the procedure described above

```
import torch
def greedy_cardinality_constrained_submodular_max(f, k, n, device):
    """
    Returns solution of cardinality constrained submodular maximization
    on

    Parameters:
        f (PyTorch model) : DSF
        k (int)             : Cardinality we want to solve
        n (int)             : Where input is of the size n x n
        device (str)        : Device ('CPU' or 'CUDA')

    Returns :
        selected (array)    : Solution
    """
    card_V = n*n
    x = torch.eye(card_V)
    fA = f(torch.zeros(n, n).view(1, 1, n, n).double().to(device)).item()
    #reshaping for PyTorch
    for iteration in range(1, k+1):
        inputs = x.t().view(card_V, 1, n, n) #reshaping for PyTorch
        outputs = f(torch.Tensor(inputs).double().to(device))
        i = outputs.argmax(dim = 0).item()
        if outputs[i]>fA:
            fA = outputs[i]
            selected = x[:, i] #solution when cardinality constraint
            is j
            x[i, :] = 1
        else:
            break
```

NOTE : The recently launched [submodlib](https://arxiv.org/pdf/2202.10680.pdf) package, might have a more efficient solver.

SECTION (3/3) Relevant portions of our original codes with comments

```
In [ ]: 1 """
2 _____Greedy cardinality constrained submodular maximization
3 """
4
5 import torch
6 def c_sb_mx(f, Klist, sq_n_sb_px, device):
7     """
8     Returns solution of cardinality constrained submodular maximization
```

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9         Parameters:
10             f (PyTorch model): DSF
11             Klist (list)      : List of cardinalities
12             sq_n_sb_px (int)  : square-root of no. of sub-pixels (i
13             device (str)     : device('cpu' or 'cuda') on which to
14         Returns:
15             AList (dic): Dictionary with keys as cardinalities and
16         ...
17         k = int(np.array(Klist).max())#we only need to solve for max cardinali
18         card_V = sq_n_sb_px*sq_n_sb_px#cardinality of V
19         x = torch.eye(card_V)#card_V number of candidate A's each arranged in
20         fA = f(torch.zeros(sq_n_sb_px, sq_n_sb_px).view(1, 1, sq_n_sb_px, sq_r
21         AList = {}#dic with key k, value A*_k where A*_k is the optimal subset
22
23         for it in range(1, k+1):#here iteration j means solving for cardinalit
24             inputs = x.t().view(card_V, 1, sq_n_sb_px, sq_n_sb_px) #'x' reshape
25             outputs = f(torch.Tensor(inputs).double().to(device))
26             i = outputs.argmax(dim=0).item()
27             if outputs[i]>fA:
28                 fA = outputs[i]
29                 selected = x[:, i] #solution
30                 x[i, :] = 1
31                 if it in Klist: #Recall that in iteration j, we are solving fo
32                     AList[it] = selected.detach().clone()
33             else:
34                 break
35         try:
36             for it in Klist:
37                 if it not in AList: #e.g. we want solution for cardinality j t
38                     AList[it] = selected.detach().clone()
39             return AList
40         except:
41             # Execution of this code indicates no element was chosen.
42             print("EmptySet{}".format(outputs[i].item()))
43         return torch.zeros(sq_n_sb_px*sq_n_sb_px)

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In []:

```

1  """
2  _____TRAINING DSF_____
3  """
4
5  sp_w, sp_h = 28, 28 #super-pixel width & height
6  sq_n_sb_px = 28 # square root of resolution of sub-sampled image
7  ht = pre_process.final_ht_proc(sp_w, sp_h, thresholds, I_ALL) # hard-thres
8  sub_h = pre_process.final_subI_proc(sp_w, sp_h, I_ALL) # sub-sampled hard-
9
10 for epoch in range(epochs):
11     # loss_1: loss with hard thresholded maps sub-sampled
12     # loss_2: loss with original attribution maps
13     loss_1 = None; loss_2 = None
14     """
15     Computing loss_1
16     """
17     # Get solutions to the submodular maximization problem for list of car
18     # Adic is a dictionary with key as the cardinality & corresponding val
19     Adic = submod.c_sb_mx(f, list(ht.keys()), sq_n_sb_px, device)
20

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21     # Convert Adic dictionary to a list & feed all these solutions to the
22     ASList = list(Adic.values())
23     AList_f = f(torch.stack(ASList).double().view(len(ASList), 1, sq_n_sb_
24     tensor_ht = {}
25
26     for xk, k in enumerate(ht): #Here k is the cardinality
27         tensor_ht[k] = [torch.Tensor(ht) for ht in ht[k]] # hard threshold
28         # Feed all the hard-thresholded maps having cardinality k to the D
29         all_S_f = f(torch.stack(tensor_ht[k]).double().view(len(tensor_ht[k]
30         for xs, _ in enumerate(tensor_ht[k]):
31             to_add = AList_f[xk]-all_S_f[xs]+delta # computes \delta + f_w
32             if to_add>0:
33                 if loss_1 is None:
34                     loss_1 = to_add
35                 else:
36                     loss_1 = loss_1+to_add
37
38     """
39     Computing loss_2
40     """
41     ones_f = f(torch.ones(sq_n_sb_px*sq_n_sb_px).double().view(1, 1, sq_n_
42     tensor_sub_h = [torch.Tensor(s_h) for s_h in sub_h] #list of sub-sampl
43
44     # Feed all sub-sampled hearmaps to the DSF neural network
45     sub_h_f = f(torch.stack(tensor_sub_h).double().view(len(tensor_sub_h),
46     for xs_h, _ in enumerate(tensor_sub_h):
47         to_also_add = ones_f-sub_h_f[xs_h] #computes f_w(\mathcal{H}^*)-f_w
48         if to_also_add>0:
49             if loss_2 is None:
50                 loss_2 = to_also_add
51             else:
52                 loss_2 = loss_2+to_also_add
53
54     loss = None
55     if loss_1 is not None:
56         loss = ld1*loss_1
57     if loss_2 is not None:
58         if loss is not None:
59             loss = loss+ld2*loss_2
60         else:
61             loss = ld2*loss_2
62     if loss is None:
63         break
64     loss_plt.append(loss.item())
65     f.zero_grad()
66     loss.backward()
67     optimizer.step()
68     f.apply(clipper)
69

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