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CS231n: Deep Learning for Computer Vision

Stanford - Spring 2023

Schedule

- **Lectures** will occur Tuesday/Thursday from 12:00-1:20pm Pacific Time at NVIDIA Auditorium (<https://goo.gl/maps/hRjQYd6MqxB2>).
- **Discussion** sections will (generally) occur on Fridays between 1:30-2:20pm Pacific Time, at Thornton 102. Check Ed (<https://edstem.org/us/courses/38489>) for any exceptions.

Updated lecture slides will be posted here shortly before each lecture. For ease of reading, we have color-coded the lecture category titles in blue, discussion sections (and final project poster session) in yellow, and the midterm exam in red. Note that the schedule is subject to change as the quarter progresses.

Date
Description
Course Materials
Events
Deadlines

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Lecture 1: Introduction

Computer vision overview

Course overview

Course logistics

[slides 1 (slides/2023/lecture_1_part_1.pdf)] [slides 2 (slides/2023/lecture_1_part_2.pdf)]

Deep Learning Basics

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Lecture 2: Image Classification with Linear Classifiers

The data-driven approach

K-nearest neighbor

Linear Classifiers

Algebraic / Visual / Geometric viewpoints

SVM and Softmax loss

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_2.pdf)]

Image Classification Problem (<https://cs231n.github.io/classification/>)Linear Classification (<https://cs231n.github.io/linear-classify/>)

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Python / Numpy Review Session

[Colab (<https://colab.research.google.com/github/cs231n/cs231n.github.io/blob/master/python-colab.ipynb>)] [Tutorial (<https://cs231n.github.io/python-numpy-tutorial/>)]

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Assignment 1 **out**

[handout (<https://cs231n.github.io/assignments2023/assignment1/>)] [colab (https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2023/assignment1_colab.zip)]

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Lecture 3: Regularization and Optimization

Regularization

Stochastic Gradient Descent

Momentum, AdaGrad, Adam

Learning rate schedules

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_3.pdf)]

Optimization (<https://cs231n.github.io/optimization-1/>)

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Lecture 4: Neural Networks and Backpropagation

Multi-layer Perceptron

Backpropagation

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_4.pdf)]

Backprop (<http://cs231n.github.io/optimization-2>)

Linear backprop example (handouts/linear-backprop.pdf)

Suggested Readings:

1. Why Momentum Really Works (<https://distill.pub/2017/momentum/>)
2. Derivatives notes (handouts/derivatives.pdf)
3. Efficient backprop (<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/publis/pdf/lecun-98b.pdf>)
4. More backprop references: [1] (<http://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Backprop/>), [2] (<http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/chap2.html>), [3] (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0pm3BrIUfo>)

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Backprop Review Session

[slides (slides/2023/section_2.pdf)] [Colab

(<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1FSP70oJG9RQtAqq67UkQws7D62jvJoRo?usp=sharing>)]

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Perceiving and Understanding the Visual World

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Lecture 5: Image Classification with CNNs

History

Higher-level representations, image features

Convolution and pooling

[slides ([slides/2023/lecture_5.pdf](#))]Convolutional Networks (<http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks>)

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Lecture 6: CNN Architectures

Batch Normalization

Transfer learning

AlexNet, VGG, GoogLeNet, ResNet

[slides ([slides/2023/lecture_6.pdf](#))]

AlexNet (<https://papers.nips.cc/paper/4824-imagenet-classification-with-deep-convolutional-neural-networks.pdf>), VGGNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1409.1556>), GoogLeNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1409.4842>), ResNet (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03385>)

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Final Project Overview and Guidelines

[slides ([slides/2023/section_3.pdf](#))]

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Assignment 2 **out**

[handout (<https://cs231n.github.io/assignments2023/assignment2/>)] [colab (https://cs231n.github.io/assignments/2023/assignment2_colab.zip)]

Assignment 1 **due**

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Project proposal **due**

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Lecture 7: Training Neural Networks

Activation functions

Data processing

Weight initialization

Hyperparameter tuning

Data augmentation

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_7.pdf)]

Neural Networks, Parts 1 (<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-1>), 2(<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-2>), 3 (<http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3>)

Suggested Readings:

1. Stochastic Gradient Descent Tricks (<http://research.microsoft.com/pubs/192769/tricks-2012.pdf>)
2. Efficient Backprop (<http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/publis/pdf/lecun-98b.pdf>)
3. Practical Recommendations for Gradient-based Training (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1206.5533v2.pdf>)
4. Deep Learning, Nature 2015 (<https://www.nature.com/articles/nature14539>)
5. An Overview of Gradient Descent Algorithms (<https://ruder.io/optimizing-gradient-descent/>)
6. A Disciplined Approach to Neural Network Hyper-Parameters (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.09820>)

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Lecture 8: Recurrent Neural Networks

RNN, LSTM, GRU

Language modeling

Image captioning

Sequence-to-sequence


[slides (slides/2023/lecture_8.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. DL book RNN chapter (<http://www.deeplearningbook.org/contents/rnn.html>)
2. Understanding LSTM Networks (<https://colah.github.io/posts/2015-08-Understanding-LSTMs/>)

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PyTorch Review Session

[Colab (https://colab.research.google.com/drive/17i_IVAcObw_63ta_ao69EgS0AUQzMMmu?usp=sharing)] 1:30-2:20pm PT

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Lecture 9: Attention and Transformers

Self-Attention

Transformers

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_9.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. Attention is All You Need [Original Transformers Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.03762>)]
2. Attention? Attention [Blog by Lilian Weng (<https://lilianweng.github.io/lil-log/2018/06/24/attention-attention.html>)]
3. The Illustrated Transformer [Blog by Jay Alammar (<http://jalammar.github.io/illustrated-transformer/>)]
4. ViT: Transformers for Image Recognition [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.11929>)] [Blog (<https://ai.googleblog.com/2020/12/transformers-for-image-recognition-at.html?m=1>)] [Video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK_am4)]
5. DETR: End-to-End Object Detection with Transformers [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.12872>)] [Blog (<https://ai.facebook.com/blog/end-to-end-object-detection-with-transformers/>)] [Video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrdevFK_am4)]

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Lecture 10: Video Understanding

Video classification

3D CNNs

Two-stream networks

Multimodal video understanding

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_10.pdf)]

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RNNs & Transformers

[Colab (<https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1eFPBYzHy17svdTfL2FnPZOzBwOUQ-Aky?usp=sharing>)] [slides (slides/2023/section_5.pdf)]

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Assignment 2 **due**

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Lecture 11: Object Detection and Image Segmentation

Single-stage detectors

Two-stage detectors

Semantic/Instance/Panoptic segmentation

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_11.pdf)]

FCN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1411.4038>), R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1311.2524>), Fast R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.08083>), Faster R-CNN (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.01497>), YOLO (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1506.02640>)

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Lecture 12: Visualizing and Understanding

Feature visualization and inversion

Adversarial examples

DeepDream and style transfer

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_12.pdf)]

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Midterm Review Session [slides (https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1w9kliBV7awiKNbAf97ci8MLRKjWF5Mw5pq_yfqhGaul/edit?usp=sharing)]
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Project milestone due

Generative and Interactive Visual Intelligence

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In-Class Midterm
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Assignment 3 out

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Lecture 13: Self-supervised Learning

Pretext tasks

Contrastive learning

Multisensory supervision

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_13.pdf)]

Suggested Readings:

1. Lilian Weng Blog Post (<https://lilianweng.github.io/lil-log/2019/11/10/self-supervised-learning.html>)
2. DINO: Emerging Properties in Self-Supervised Vision Transformers [Paper (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.14294>)] [Blog (<https://ai.facebook.com/blog/dino-paws-computer-vision-with-self-supervised-transformers-and-10x-more-efficient-training>)] [Video (<https://youtu.be/h3ij3F3cPlk>)]

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Lecture 14: Robot Learning

Deep Reinforcement Learning

Model Learning

Robotic Manipulation

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_14.pdf)]

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Lecture 15: Generative Models (Guest Lecture by Dr. Ruiqi Gao (<https://ruiqigao.github.io/>) from Google DeepMind)

Generative Adversarial Network

Diffusion models

Autoregressive models

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_15.pdf)]

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Lecture 16: 3D Vision

3D shape representations

Shape reconstruction

Neural implicit representations

[slides (slides/2023/lecture_16.pdf)]

Assignment 3 **due**

Human-Centered Applications and Implications

06/01

Lecture 17: Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence

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Lecture 18: Guest Lecture by Prof. Sara Beery (<https://beerys.github.io/>) from MIT

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Project final report **due**

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Final Project Poster Session

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Location: Burnham Pavilion

Session A Check-in: 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (30 minutes)

Session A: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (90 minutes)

Session B Check-in: 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM (30 minutes)

Session B: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM (90 minutes)