

# Convolutonal Neural Networks

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## 1 Introduction

The human brain processes images based on features. Convolution Neural networks are used to process images and produce labels. An image is reprinted as a matrix  $M_{m \times n}$  (B/W as 2D and color as 3D with 3rd dimension be the color channel  $\{A, R, G, B\}$ ), each cell has a value of  $[0, 255]$ .



**4 Steps to build a CNN** 1. Convoluton 2. Max Pooling 3. Flattening 4. Full Connection

## 1.1 Step 1 : Convolution

The convolution is defined as a combined integral of two function and it shows how one function modifies the other, mathematically defined as  $(f * g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t - \tau)d\tau$ . This paper[2] introduces the mathematical foundation about CNN.

Given a binary matrix  $M \in \{0,1\}^{m \times n} | m_{i,j} \in M$  and a **Feature detector** matrix  $F \in \{0,1\}^{3 \times 3}$  (The feature detector is also called, **Kernel** or **Filter** ), the convolution is defined as  $M \otimes F \ni c_{i,j} = \sum f_{i,j}.m_{i,j}$  i.e. it result a matrix with elements as number of matches by **Striding** the filter over  $M$ . Typically the Stride is set to 2. The result is called the **feature map**. The Convolution process basically maps to another matrix which has higher weights to the region which corresponds higher similarity to the feature detector. This resembles the process human brain follows, it looks for features.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In the process there will be a Set of feature detectors (each highlights a specific property) called the Feature space  $\mathcal{F} = \{F_i\}$  each feature would generate a feature map, thus a **Convolved Space** is generated.  $\mathcal{C} = \{C_i = M \otimes F_i | \forall F_i \in \mathcal{F}\}$ . Gimp[3] has a convolution tool, that does convolution using several feature detectors.

### 1.1.1 Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) Layer

The rectifier function, as discussed in ANN section is defined as  $\phi(x) = \max(x, 0)$ , increases the non-linearity. Images are natively non-linear in nature, however matrix transformation such as convolution tends to introduces linearity into the transformed on, thus to retain non-linearity in the image, ReLU is used [4]. The paper [5] proposes a parametric ReLU that improves accuracy without sacrificing any performance.

## 1.2 Step 2 : Max Pooling

Images which are given for training has various orientation, shades etc. which affects the matrix significantly. which is tackled by max-pooling, the property is called **spacial invariance**. The pooling is defined as striding a maxtrix  $P_{2 \times 2}$  over the feature map and record a statistics from the feature map. If the stat is Max then it's called max-pooling, other variant is **Min-pooling** or sub-sampling, **Average-pooling** [6]. A nice visualization of convolution process can be found here [7]

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The pooling process contributes the following, 1. Maintains special invariance by keeping the features 2. Reduces the size which helps, preventing Over-fitting

### 1.3 Step 3 : Fattening

In this process a pooled feature map is converted into a vector, which will be used as the input layer of the neural network, the complete process is given below

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

### 1.4 Step 4 : Full Connection

The flattened vector is fed into the ANN, the hidden layers are meant to be Fully-connected (Dense). The ANN will use the features to learn relationship between them and correlates to the corresponding label given to them. The output layer would have neuron equals to number of classes. During training process, the hidden neuron gets trained and extracts features.

### 1.5 Softmax & Cross-Entropy Function

The output layer of an ANN is a measure of probabilistic approximation, for an  $n$ -class classification problem the output layer consists of  $n$  neurons, the sum of their synaptic weights is always 1. Now, how is it possible, to have values assigned to them without any mutual connection?, the answer is the neurons don't know this, the values are normalised by a function called **Softmax** [8] or Normalised-Exponential function. Mathematically it is a *generalization of logistic function that squashes a vector  $X \in \mathbb{R}^k$  of arbitrary values into a vector of same dimension with values within  $[0, 1]$  such that  $\sum X = 1$*  Mathematically, softmax function is expressed as,  $f_i(z) = \frac{e^{z_j}}{\sum_k e^{z_k}}$

The **Cross-entropy** function [9] is written as,  $L_i = -\log\left(\frac{e^{f_{y_i}}}{\sum_j e^{f_j}}\right)$ ,  $H(p, q) = -\sum_x p(x) \log(q(x))$  is a cost function like **MSE**, but preferred for CNN after using *softmax* which is called loss function in this context. After classifying a dog's picture, applying Softmax, assume that the two output neurons (dog, cat) become  $q(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$  the actual label was  $p(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  the loss is  $H(p, q)$

The following gives a concrete understanding of the usage of cross-entropy with an example.

```
[4]: import pandas as pd

# two tables of classification result
```

```
# using two NN are given
nn1 = pd.read_csv('cat_dog_NN1.csv')
nn2 = pd.read_csv('cat_dog_NN2.csv')
```

```
[5]: nn1 # result from ANN 1
```

```
[5]:   row  dog_pred  cat_pred  dog  cat
0    1         0.9         0.1    1    0
1    2         0.1         0.9    0    1
2    3         0.4         0.6    1    0
```

```
[115]: nn2 # result from ANN 2
```

```
[115]:   row  dog_pred  cat_pred  dog  cat
0    1         0.6         0.4    1    0
1    2         0.3         0.7    0    1
2    3         0.1         0.9    1    0
```

```
[146]: def cce(x,y):  #classification error, takes two lists
        sum = 0
        for i in range(len(x)):
            sum += round(x[i]) ^ y[i] #rounding [0,1] to {0,1}
        return round(sum/len(x),3)

def mse(x,y):  # MSE
    sum = 0
    for i in range(len(x)):
        sum += (x[i] - y[i])**2
    return round(sum/len(x),3)

def cef(x,y):  # Cross-entropy
    sum = 0
    import math
    for i in range(len(x)):
        sum += y[i]* math.log10(x[i])
    return round(-1*sum , 3)
```

```
[148]: dp1 = nn1['dog_pred'].values.tolist()
        d1 = nn1['dog'].values.tolist()
        cp1 = nn1['cat_pred'].values.tolist()
        c1 = nn1['cat'].values.tolist()

        dp2 = nn2['dog_pred'].values.tolist()
        d2 = nn2['dog'].values.tolist()
        cp2 = nn2['cat_pred'].values.tolist()
        c2 = nn2['cat'].values.tolist()
```

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nn1_cce = (cce(dp1,d1)+cce(cp1,c1))/2
nn2_cce = (cce(dp2,d2)+cce(cp2,c2))/2

nn1_mse = (mse(dp1,d1)+mse(cp1,c1))
nn2_mse = (mse(dp2,d2)+mse(cp2,c2))

nn1_cef = (cef(dp1,d1)+cef(cp1,c1))
nn2_cef = (cef(dp2,d2)+cef(cp2,c2))

```

```

[150]: import math
print(f"Calssificatin error : NN1 = {nn1_cce} \
      NN2 = {nn2_cce} \
      def = {round(math.sqrt((nn1_cce - nn2_cce)**2),3)}")

print(f"Mean Squared error : NN1 = {nn1_mse} \
      NN2 = {nn2_mse} \
      def = {round(math.sqrt((nn1_mse - nn2_mse)**2),3)}")

print(f"Cross-entropy error : NN1 = {nn1_cef} \
      NN2 = {nn2_cef} \
      def = {round(math.sqrt((nn1_cef - nn2_cef)**2),3)}")

```

calssificatin error :	NN1 = 0.333	NN2 = 0.333	def = 0.0
Mean Squared error :	NN1 = 0.254	NN2 = 0.706	def = 0.452
Cross-entropy error :	NN1 = 0.49	NN2 = 1.377	def = 0.887

As it shows in the result, Cross-entropy distinguishes between the two results better than others, this happens due to its logarithmic nature which can capture changes in a very small scale. However Cross-entropy is recommended for classification problems only, for regression problems MSE is preferred.

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## 3 Implementing a CNN

In this implementation a set of images of cats and dogs are given, the CNN will be trained using them to predict if a given image is of a cat or that of a dog.

dataset : <https://www.superdatascience.com/pages/deep-learning/>

### 3.1 Building the CNN

#### 3.1.1 step 1: Import libraries

```
[204]: # importing libraries
from keras.models import Sequential      # for adding layers sequentially
from keras.layers import Conv2D         # for convolution
from keras.layers import MaxPooling2D   # for max-pooling
from keras.layers import Flatten        # for flatten
from keras.layers import Dense          # for Full-connection
from keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator # for image processing

#initialising CNN object
CNN_classifier = Sequential()
```

#### 3.1.2 Step 2: Convolution

```
[205]: CNN_classifier.add(Conv2D(filters = 32,                # Number of filters
    ↪(feature-detector)
                                kernel_size = (3,3),         # filter size (row, col)
                                input_shape = (64,64,3),      # image dim : 3 ch of 64X64
    ↪res
                                activation = 'relu')           # activation func
                                )
```

#### 3.1.3 Step 3: Max-pooling

Here the stride is taken as 2, thus the feature map would be of size  $\left\lceil \frac{m}{2} + 1 \times \frac{n}{2} + 1 \right\rceil$  for odd  $m, n$  and  $\left\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \times \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$  from even  $m, n$

```
[206]: CNN_classifier.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size = (2,2))) #adds a max-pooling layer
```

### 3.1.4 Step 4: Flattening

Here the feature map space gets flattened into a single vector, there are two common questions may arise. 1. How flattening preserves the information ? \* ans : During max-pooling stage, the special structures are preserved and while flattening they are kept 2. Why not directly map image into flattened vector ? \* ans : In that case, each input neuron would correspond to a single pixel without any correlation to the neighbouring pixels, thus not preserving any special information. \* Also, this would make the ANN over-complicated and may introduce over-fitting

```
[207]: CNN_classifier.add(Flatten()) #adds a flattening layer
```

### 3.1.5 Step 5: Full-Connection

```
[208]: CNN_classifier.add(Dense(units = 128,      # subject to trial, but must be 2^n
                                activation = 'relu')
                                )
CNN_classifier.add(Dense(units = 1,      # output layer with binary
                                ↪classification
                                activation = 'sigmoid')
                                )
```

### 3.1.6 Step 5 : Compile the CNN

```
[209]: CNN_classifier.compile(optimizer='adam',
                               loss='binary_crossentropy',
                               metrics= ['accuracy']
                               )
```

## 3.2 Training the CNN

In order to avoid overfitting, a process called **Image Augmentation** is used. The process is used to train a network with relatively fewer number of images but ensures better accuracy. It takes training images in batches, apply random transformation such as rotation, shearing etc. and makes several versions of replica from a single source, these replicas are used to train the CNN. Thus, *Image augmentation is a trick to enrich an image dataset by transforming the existing images*

```
[210]: # code source : https://keras.io/preprocessing/image/
# perform Image augmentation
train_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255,
                                    shear_range=0.2,
                                    zoom_range=0.2,
                                    horizontal_flip=True)

test_datagen = ImageDataGenerator(rescale=1./255)
```

```
[211]: # generating training set
train_set = train_datagen.flow_from_directory(
    'cnn_ds/ds/training_set',
    target_size=(64, 64),
    batch_size=32,
    class_mode='binary')
```

Found 8000 images belonging to 2 classes.

```
[212]: # generating test set
test_set = test_datagen.flow_from_directory(
    'cnn_ds/ds/test_set', # test location
    target_size=(64, 64), # resolution
    batch_size=32,
    class_mode='binary') # classification type
```

Found 2000 images belonging to 2 classes.

```
[ ]: # Train CNN and validate with test set
CNN_classifier.fit_generator(train_set,
    steps_per_epoch=8000, # number of training_
    ↪img
    epochs=25,
    validation_data=test_set, # test_set object
    validation_steps=2000) # number of test img
```

In order to improve the performance, the CNN must be deep. There are two options, either add more dense layer or add more convolution layers. Adding more convolution layer would provide better results. Just add the following piece of code before the flattening stage. Notice, `input_shape` is not given as it is only given to the first layer, for the following layers, Keras would know what was the output nodes for the last layer, and set that as the input dimension of the current layer.

```
CNN_classifier.add(Conv2D(filters = 32,
    kernel_size = (3,3),
    activation = 'relu')
)
CNN_classifier.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size = (2,2)))
```