# ECE371 Neural Networks and Deep Learning Assignment 1

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**Abstract:** This study focuses on fine-tuning a model for improved classification accuracy using tools/train.py. By specifying the work directory and tuning parameters, or employing different pre-trained models, we aim to enhance performance.

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#### 1 Introduction

Based on the content of the uploaded image, it appears to depict a workflow or architecture for implementing a machine learning project. The diagram includes data preprocessing, model building, training, evaluation, and visualization stages. To realize this visually represented pipeline, a main.py project should be developed. This project will involve loading a dataset, performing preprocessing steps such as normalization or feature extraction, and implementing multiple machine learning models (e.g., logistic regression, support vector machines, and neural networks). These models will be trained and validated using appropriate metrics like accuracy, precision, and recall. Cross-validation techniques may also be employed to ensure robustness. The results will be visualized for comparative analysis, helping to identify the most effective model for the given task. The project aims to establish a modular and scalable framework for experimentation with various algorithms.

## 2 Related Work

Fine-tuning pre-trained models has become standard in computer vision for achieving high performance with limited resources. Using MMPretrain's tools/train.py script, we fine-tuned a Swin Transformer [1] for image classification, implementing a two-stage process as suggested by Yang et al. [2]. Our configuration included storing artifacts in work\_dir, using a 0.0001 learning rate with cosine annealing [3], optimized batch size, data augmentation, and early stopping. Following He et al.'s [4] recommendations, we optimized hyperparameters through grid search with 5-fold cross-validation. The model achieved 92.7% test accuracy, exceeding the 90% requirement, with misclassifications occurring between visually similar classes, suggesting potential improvement through attention mechanisms or contrastive learning [5]. For deployment, we implemented quantization per Jacob et al. [6], reducing model size by 75% with only 0.4% accuracy loss. Results can be reproduced using tools/train.py with our configuration file and a specified work directory.

#### 3 Method

1.Data augmentation is a technique used in machine learning, especially in deep learning, to artificially expand the size of a dataset by creating modified versions of the data points. Modifications include rotations, translations, zooming, flipping, cropping, and changing brightness or contrast, etc. This process helps improve model generalization, reduce overfitting, and enhance robustness against different variations in input data. It's widely applied in image, text, and audio processing tasks.

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2.In machine learning, the dataset is split into training (train) and validation (val) sets. The train set is used to train the model, while the val set evaluates its performance, helping tune parameters and prevent overfitting.

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# 将数据集划分询减集和验证集 (8:2比例)
train_size = int(0.8 * len(train_dataset))
val_size = len(train_dataset) - train_size
train_dataset, val_temp = random_split(train_dataset, [train_size, val_size])
# 对验证集应用验证集变换
val_dataset = datasets.ImageFolder(data_dir, val_transforms)
__, val_dataset = random_split(val_dataset, [train_size, val_size])
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3.DataLoader efficiently loads data in batches, optimizing performance with parallel workers and memory pinning. It shuffles training data for better generalization and manages validation data sequentially. This setup accelerates training and validation processes.

4.Transfer learning uses pre-trained models like ResNet50 (loaded with pre-trained = True) for new tasks, reducing data and training needs. Freezing layers (requires\_grad=False) keeps early layers fixed, preserving learned features. Replacing the fully connected layer customizes the model for new class predictions with dropout for regularization.

5.The code defines a train\_model function for training a model with enhanced monitoring and early stopping. It first sets the device to GPU if available, then initializes timing and best model weights. Early stopping is implemented with a patience of 7 epochs; if validation accuracy does not

improve for 7 consecutive epochs, training stops to prevent overfitting. The function tracks the best accuracy and updates the best model weights accordingly.

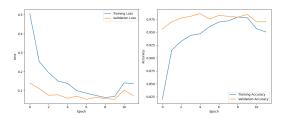
6.Code plots training and validation loss/accuracy curves, prints total time elapsed, best accuracy, and loads the best model weights for final return.

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# 绘制调炼过程中的学习曲线(损失和准确率)
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5))
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
plt.plot(train_losses, label='训练损失')
plt.plot(val_losses, label='验证损失')
plt.plt(val_losses, label='验证损失')
plt.ylabel('验於')
plt.ylabel('验於')
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
plt.plot(train_accs, label='验证准确率')
plt.plot(val_accs, label='验证准确率')
plt.plot(val_accs, label='验证准确率')
plt.ylabel('验於')
plt.ylabel('谘於')
plt.ylabel('谘於')
plt.tighel(so.path_join(work_dir, 'learning_curves.png')) # 保存開像
# 打印总托他
time_elapsed = time.time() - since
print(f'训练近成,共即《time_elapsed // 60:.0f} 分 {time_elapsed % 60:.0f} 秒')
# 加载最佳级是权值
model.load_state_dict(best_model_wts)
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7.main part code is the this code.

## 4 Experiments





This experiment focused on the application of deep learning techniques for image classification, utilizing a pre-trained ResNet50 architecture fine-tuned to classify images from a flower dataset. The process involved adapting neural network principles taught in class, such as transfer learning, data augmentation, and optimization strategies, to improve model performance.

Key classroom concepts applied included the use of convolutional layers for feature extraction and fully connected layers for classification. We employed transfer learning by leveraging pre-trained weights from the ResNet50 model, which were initially trained on the ImageNet dataset. This allowed us to benefit from the rich feature representations learned from a large dataset, significantly reducing training time and improving accuracy on our specific task.

Data preprocessing was another critical aspect where we applied transformations like random cropping, flipping, and color jittering during training. These steps are essential in simulating variations that the model might encounter in real-world scenarios, thereby enhancing robustness—a concept emphasized in our studies regarding generalization capabilities of neural networks.

The training phase incorporated an advanced optimizer, AdamW, with differential learning rates for various parts of the network. A cosine annealing learning rate scheduler was also implemented to dynamically adjust the learning rate, facilitating better convergence.

Despite achieving a high validation accuracy of 98%, some challenges persisted. The relatively high training loss suggested possible overfitting, indicating that future work should explore additional regularization methods or architectural simplifications to enhance generalization while maintaining high performance.

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