

RBE/CS549: Homework 0 - Alohomora

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Abstract—Here I have developed an algorithm of pb(probability of boundary) boundary detection algorithm, which finds boundaries by examining brightness, color, and texture information across multiple scales. The output is a per-pixel probability of boundary. Furthermore, I have also trained and tested model using CIFAR-10 dataset on various models such as Simple Neural Network, Modified Neural Network, ResNet, ResNext and DenseNet.

Index Terms—Probability-based edge detection, Convolutional Neural Networks, ResNet, ResNEXT, DenseNet, Pytorch.

I. PHASE 1: SHAKE MY BOUNDARY

This section is the implementation of the pb boundary detection algorithm introduced. It is somewhat different from the classical CV techniques that are universally used all over like in Sobel and Canny Filters it uses the texture and color information present in the image in addition to the intensity discontinuities as well. This is done in 4 steps in the sections to follow:

- 1) Filter Banks
- 2) Texture, Brightness and Color Maps T, B, C
- 3) Texture, Brightness and Color Gradients Tg, Bg, Cg
- 4) Pb-lite output combined with baselines

We will be going through all the above steps mentioned step by step.

A. Filter Banks

Here, the first step of the given Pb lite boundary detection is to filter out the images using the set of filter banks. Following we have three different sets of filter banks for this purpose. The use of these filters on images with these banks will help us to build the low level features which represent texture.

1) **Oriented DoG Filter Bank**: Oriented DoG Filter Bank are created by convolving a simple Sobel Filter and a Gaussian kernel and further rotating results. Here I have total 2 scales and 16 different orientations. The Filter bank has scale of 3 and 4 with kernel size 81. Fig. 1 shows these filters.

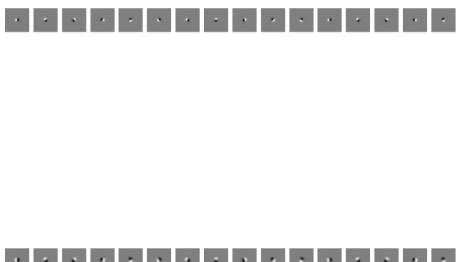


Fig. 1. DoG filters

2) **Leung-Malik Filter Bank**: The Leung-Malik filters are a set of multi scale, multi orientation filter bank with 48 filters. It consists of first and second order derivatives of Gaussians at 6 orientations and 3 scales making a total of 36; 8 Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) filters; and 4 Gaussians. In LM Small (LMS), the filters occur at basic sigma scales ($1, \sqrt{2}, 2, 2\sqrt{2}$). The first and second derivative filters occur at the first three scales with an elongation factor of 3. The Gaussians occur at the four basic scales while the 8 LOG filters occur at sigma and 3sigma. For LM Large (LML), the filters occur at the basic sigma scales ($\sqrt{2}, 2, 2\sqrt{2}, 4$). Fig. 2 represent these filters.

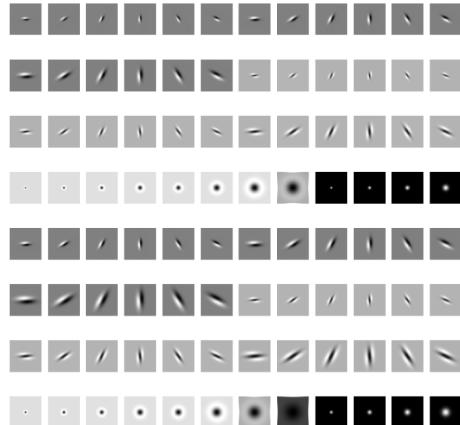


Fig. 2. LM filters

3) **Gabor Filter Bank**: Gabor filters are designed on the filters in the human visual system. A Gabor filter is a gaussian kernel function modulated by a sinusoidal plane wave. The Gabor filter has scale of 8, 16 and 24, it also has 8 orientations with 2, 4, 6 frequencies and kernel size of 49. Fig. 3 shows these filters

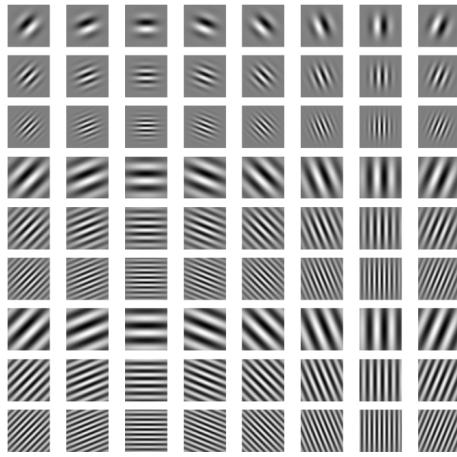


Fig. 3. Gabor filters

B. Texton, Brightness, Color maps- T, B, C

1) **Texton map:** Filtering an input image with each element of the filter bank results in a vector of filter responses centered on each pixel. A distribution of these N-dimensional filter responses could be thought of as encoding texture properties. Here we have simplified this representation by replacing each N-dimensional vector with a discrete Texton ID. We do this by clustering the filter responses at all pixels in the image into K Textons using K-means clustering. Each pixel is then represented by a one dimensional, discrete cluster ID instead of a vector of high-dimensional, real-valued filter responses. This is then represented in the form of a single channel image with values in the range of [1,2,3,...,K].K = 64. After that it was observed that the filtered output of the images were low intensity values that caused poor clustering. So, after filtering the output image was normalized in the range of 0-255 which improved the clustering.

2) **Brightness Map:** The concept of the brightness map is as simple as capturing the brightness changes in the image. Here, again we cluster the brightness values(gray scale equivalent of the color image) using kmeans clustering into a chosen number of clusters (K=16). We call the clustered output as the brightness map B.

3) **Color Map:** The concept of the color map is to capture the color changes or chrominance content in the image. Here, again we cluster the RGB color values using kmeans clustering into a chosen number of clusters (K=16). We call the clustered output as the color map C. Figures 4 through 13 show these texton, brightness and color maps for the ten different test images.

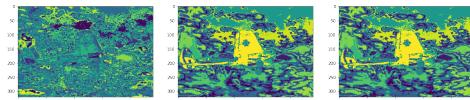


Fig. 4. T, B, C maps for image 1

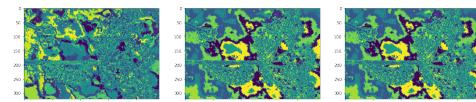


Fig. 5. T, B, C maps for image 2

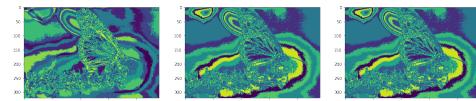


Fig. 6. T, B, C maps for image 3

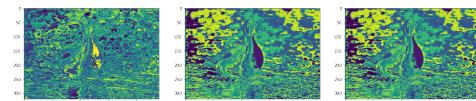


Fig. 7. T, B, C maps for image 4

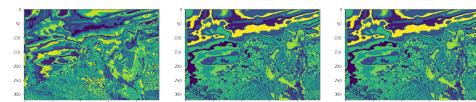


Fig. 8. T, B, C maps for image 5

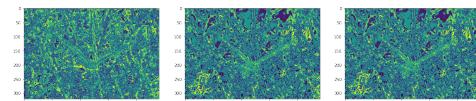


Fig. 9. T, B, C maps for image 6

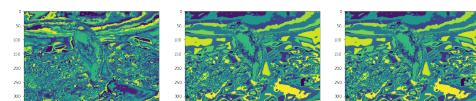


Fig. 10. T, B, C maps for image 7

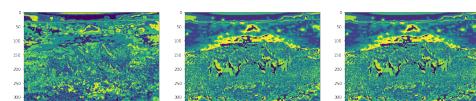


Fig. 11. T, B, C maps for image 8

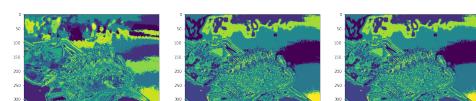


Fig. 12. T, B, C maps for image 9

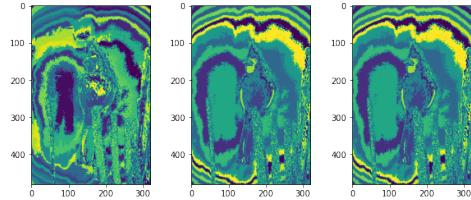


Fig. 13. T, B, C maps for image 10

C. Texture, Brightness and Color Gradients- Tg, Bg, Cg

Texture, Brightness and Color gradients encode how much the texture, brightness and color distributions are changing at a pixel. To obtain Tg, Bg, and Cg, we need to compute differences of values across different shapes and sizes. This can be achieved very efficiently by the use of Half-disk masks.

1) Half Disk Masks: The half-disk masks are simply (pairs of) binary images of half-discs. These allow us to compute the chi-square distances using a filtering operation, which is much faster than looping over each pixel neighborhood and aggregating counts for histograms. Forming these masks is quite trivial. The set of masks used for this work with 8 orientations and 3 scales is shown in Fig. 14

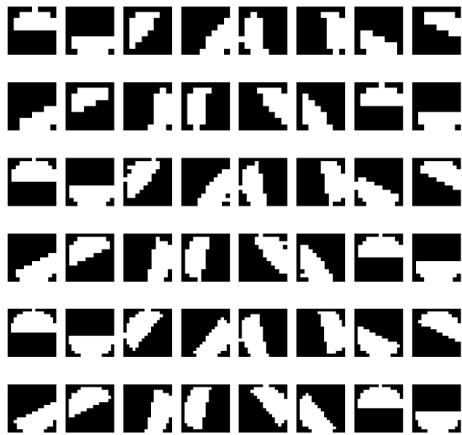


Fig. 14. Half-disk masks

We compute Tg, Bg, Cg by comparing the distributions in left/right half-disk pairs (opposing directions of filters at same scale) centered at a pixel. If the distributions are the similar, the gradient should be small. If the distributions are dissimilar, the gradient should be large. Because our half-discs span multiple scales and orientations, we will end up with a series of local gradient measurements encoding how quickly the texture or brightness distributions are changing at different scales and angles. We will compare texton, brightness and color distributions with the chi-square measure. The chi-square distance is a frequently used metric for comparing two histograms.

Figures 15 through 24 show the Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for the ten test images.

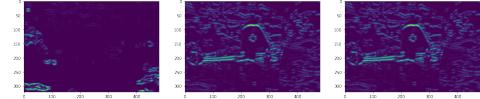


Fig. 15. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 1

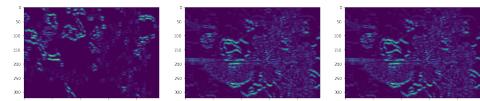


Fig. 16. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 2



Fig. 17. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 3

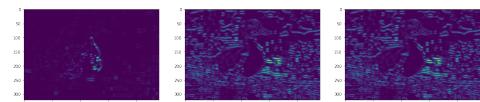


Fig. 18. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 4

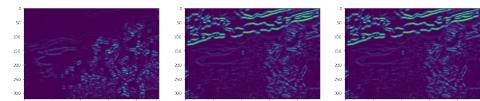


Fig. 19. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 5

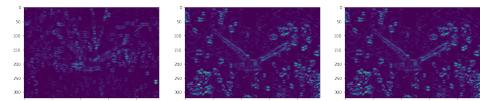


Fig. 20. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 6

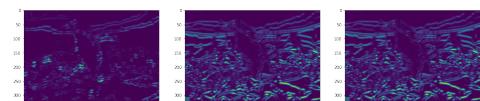


Fig. 21. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 7

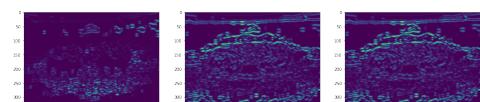


Fig. 22. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 8

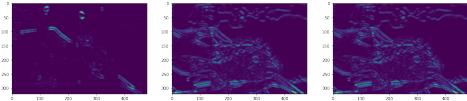


Fig. 23. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 9

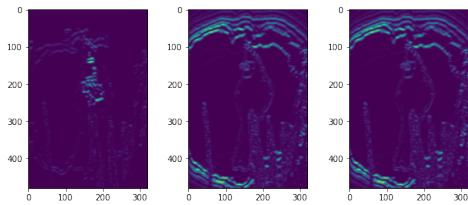


Fig. 24. Tg, Bg, Cg gradients for image 10

D. Pb-lite output combined with baselines

Figures 25 through 34 show the final pb-lite output combined with the canny and sobel baselines (both baselines have been given equal weightage), alongside the original canny and sobel results for comparison. It is observed that pb-lite edges are lacking of most of the noise that canny and sobel contain. The reason is that it is good at suppressing the false positives which show up the noise in sobel and canny. The final output is better and can be improved by changing the filters and looking for the filter that can perform better than the existing ones.



Fig. 25. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 1



Fig. 26. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 2



Fig. 27. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 3



Fig. 28. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 4



Fig. 29. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 5



Fig. 30. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 6



Fig. 31. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 7



Fig. 32. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 8



Fig. 33. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 9

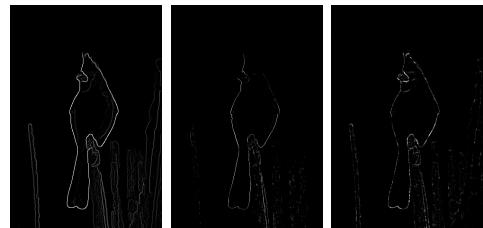


Fig. 34. Canny, Sobel, Pb-lite for image 10

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II. PHASE 2: DEEP DIVE ON DEEP LEARNING

A. My first neural network

I am quite good at implementing neural networks and have already studied Deep Learning in my first semester. I tried to implement the simple neural network. There were a few bugs in the starter code, but after debugging them I was

able to implement the most basic Neural Network following the instructions in the assignment. The architecture for my network is shown in the figure. I used the Adam Optimizer with a learning rate of 0.001, and let the network train for 30 Epochs with a batch size of 25. I also applied MaxPooling to all the layers. Furthermore, I used CrossEntropy loss function. After each epoch I calculate the mean loss and accuracy and plotted them accordingly. The number of parameters in the network are 25218. The test set was able to predict the image with an accuracy of 14.04%. This is understandable since I just simply wanted to train a neural network without any complications. The architecture is shown in figure 35. The confusion matrix for the training set and testing set is shown in figure 36, 37. Additionally, I have also plotted the Test accuracy against total number of epochs.

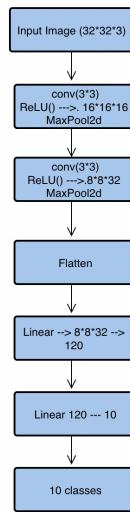


Fig. 35. My Simple CNN

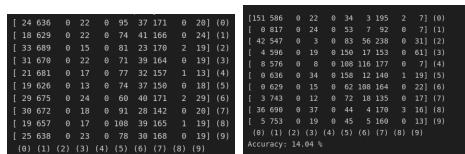


Fig. 36. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for SimpleNN

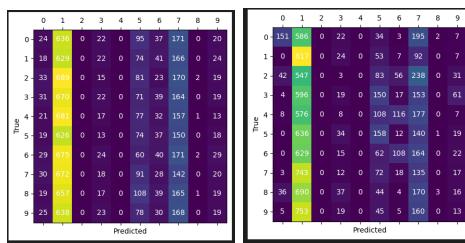


Fig. 37. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for SimpleNN

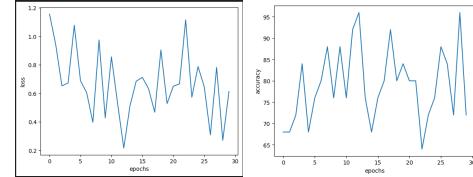


Fig. 38. Train - Loss, Acc vs epochs for SimpleNN

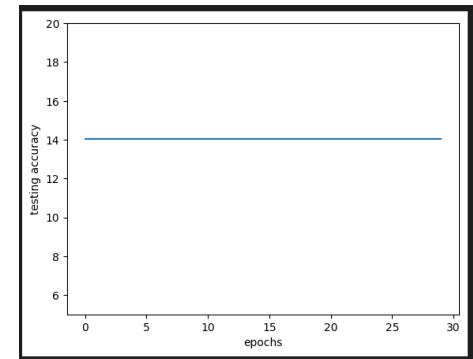


Fig. 39. Test- Acc vs epoch for SimpleNN

B. Improved Network

To improve my simple Neural Network I added some features and applied Standardization to try and improve accuracy. I also applied Batch Normalization to the layers here to increase the accuracy. I kept epochs at 30. Batch size was also 25 for this network too. The results are shown in figures. The number of parameters are 147794. Here, I used the Adam optimizer with learning rate of 0.001. After improving the simple neural network by applying various methods I was able to improve my accuracy by some extent(I was expecting to increase it a bit more but it didn't), I think I need to make some more changes by increasing number of epochs and adding more layer to my network which will result in increasing the accuracy of my network. The Testing accuracy that I got was 20.59%. I have plotted the mean Training and loss against the total number of epochs, calculated the Testing and Training Confusion Matrix with their respective tables. The Testing accuracy was also plotted against the total number of epochs.

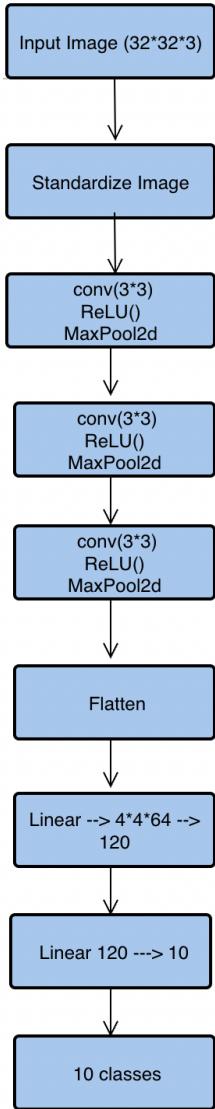


Fig. 40. Architecture for my Improved NN

[119]	63	18	95	138	258	154	163	4	1	(8)
[106]	69	24	87	101	258	193	138	4	2	(1)
[113]	92	27	83	121	264	159	163	7	3	(2)
[117]	81	15	116	108	238	169	169	1	0	(3)
[115]	92	18	103	108	277	174	166	2	4	(4)
[109]	77	19	91	105	277	174	166	9	3	(5)
[119]	71	18	99	89	283	167	147	4	4	(6)
[110]	71	11	98	106	217	145	153	1	3	(7)
[121]	72	16	86	90	207	154	143	4	2	(8)
[0]	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(9)

Fig. 41. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for Improved NN

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	119	63	18	95	138	258	154	163	4	1	
1	106	69	24	87	101	258	193	130	4	2	
2	113	92	27	83	121	264	159	163	7	3	
3	117	83	15	116	108	238	169	169	1	0	
4	115	82	18	103	105	270	167	134	3	2	
5	88	77	12	79	101	259	162	148	5	6	
6	109	77	19	91	105	277	174	166	9	3	
7	119	71	18	99	89	283	167	147	4	4	
8	110	71	11	98	106	217	145	153	1	3	
9	121	72	16	86	90	207	154	143	4	2	
											Predicted
	0	39	57	72	72	92	142	51	113	2	2
1	77	151	5	134	56	394	61	116	2	4	
2	132	42	23	34	199	171	246	152	1	0	
3	43	87	5	80	59	475	108	181	4	6	
4	58	30	18	25	174	368	114	72	1	2	
5	37	88	4	56	68	452	89	195	8	3	
6	11	12	3	37	110	209	118	1	1		
7	47	59	4	53	145	330	140	222	0	0	
8	241	76	37	254	46	208	31	80	22	5	
9	74	155	7	192	71	223	53	221	1	3	
											Predicted

Fig. 42. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for Improved NN

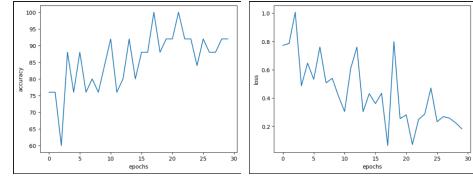


Fig. 43. Train - Loss, Acc vs epochs for Improved NN

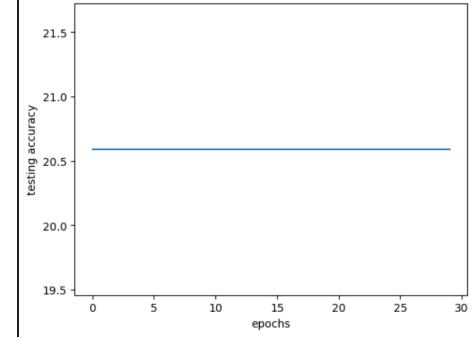


Fig. 44. Test- Acc vs epoch for Improved NN

C. ResNET

Further, I implemented the ResNET to increase my accuracy compared to the previous two implemented simple networks. The network implemented has 3, 3, 6 and 3 layers respectively, further we developed a Residual Block to implement our ResNET Network. The whole idea behind the ResNET is to skip the layers which the normal NN usually do, which requires a lot of computation. The architecture is shown below in figure 45. The general NN try to approximate the ideal solution by doing backward propagation and hypertune the weights. But as the gradient starts to vanish, you start to oscillate and never converge to a solution. Thus, instead of calculating approximate value to the idea solution, ResNET takes the ideal solution and tries to approximate the residual by skipping some of the layers. Please read up the papers for the exact details. I trained ResNET with Batch Size of 25, did data standardization same as improved network, number of epochs = 30, also used weight decay as 0.001 as a part of Adam optimizer. The number of parameters of ResNET are 21298314. The accuracy for testing was around 14.98% which is pretty low. My training accuracy is more than testing accuracy which might be because there might be meaningful

differences between the kind of data I trained the model on and the testing data that I am providing for evaluation which I need to figure out. Furthermore, I think the reason for low accuracy might as well be that I am training my model on low epochs but my model was consistent and works properly as I have followed the official documentation. For this model I have plotted the Training, Testing and loss with respect to total epochs. Furthermore, I have also calculated the Testing and Training Confusion Matrix as well.

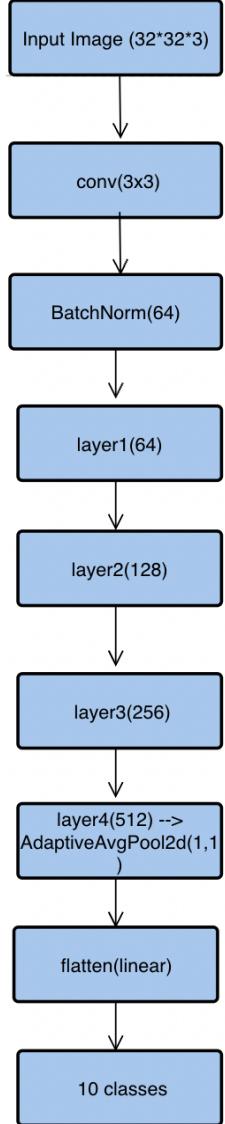


Fig. 45. Architecture of ResNET

0 32 32 109 297 0 374 68 58 35) (0)	(321 67 13 80 24 9 48 13 303 114) (0)
0 38 22 95 240 0 361 59 53 31) (1)	(34 160 16 289 30 38 102 9 186 214) (1)
0 45 37 258 338 0 340 69 55 32) (2)	(121 94 19 179 37 17 163 27 196 147) (2)
0 51 31 109 312 0 313 76 54 48) (3)	(30 80 13 324 31 29 178 43 102 178) (3)
0 47 38 107 311 0 346 57 65 32) (4)	(26 91 11 220 32 41 176 53 134 129) (4)
0 30 39 98 246 0 371 68 49 44) (5)	(26 87 11 320 23 41 176 53 134 129) (5)
0 32 32 88 310 0 392 58 80 38) (6)	(31 79 19 270 36 36 387 37 68 117) (6)
0 47 31 114 295 0 346 70 61 37) (7)	(24 135 9 228 19 23 184 39 137 282) (7)
0 35 31 106 321 0 373 60 61 38) (8)	(53 87 8 188 20 9 44 14 356 224) (8)
0 39 44 104 285 0 361 60 55 33) (9)	(0) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

Accuracy: 18.76 %

Fig. 46. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for ResNET

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	0	32	32	109	297	0	374	68	58	35)	(0)
1	0	38	22	95	240	0	361	59	53	31)	(1)
2	0	45	36	37	258	0	340	69	55	32)	(2)
3	0	51	31	109	312	0	343	76	54	40)	(3)
4	0	47	38	107	311	0	346	53	65	32)	(4)
5	0	30	39	98	246	0	371	60	49	44)	(5)
6	0	32	32	88	310	0	392	58	80	38)	(6)
7	0	47	31	114	295	0	346	70	61	37)	(7)
8	0	35	31	106	321	0	373	60	61	38)	(8)
9	0	39	44	104	285	0	361	60	55	33)	(9)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	0	16	95	109	259	0	104	234	173	10)	
1	0	63	21	121	247	0	409	25	59	55	
2	0	19	55	36	399	0	316	111	51	13	
3	0	55	26	70	333	0	356	49	43	68	
4	0	13	31	57	218	0	499	36	31	15	
5	0	66	25	89	337	0	353	51	29	50	
6	0	15	12	37	173	0	47	7	5	25	
7	0	49	29	50	334	0	453	41	20	24	
8	0	37	27	30	311	0	107	37	141	32	
9	0	62	15	150	205	0	784	40	59	84	

Fig. 47. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for ResNET

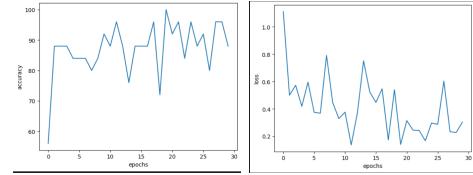


Fig. 48. Train - Loss, Acc vs epochs for ResNET

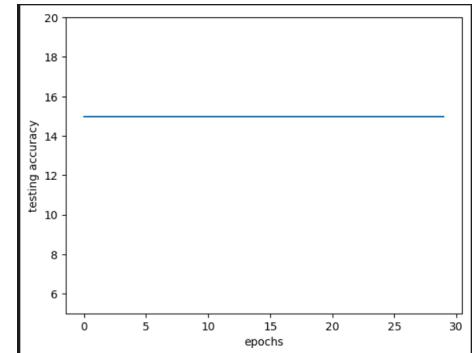
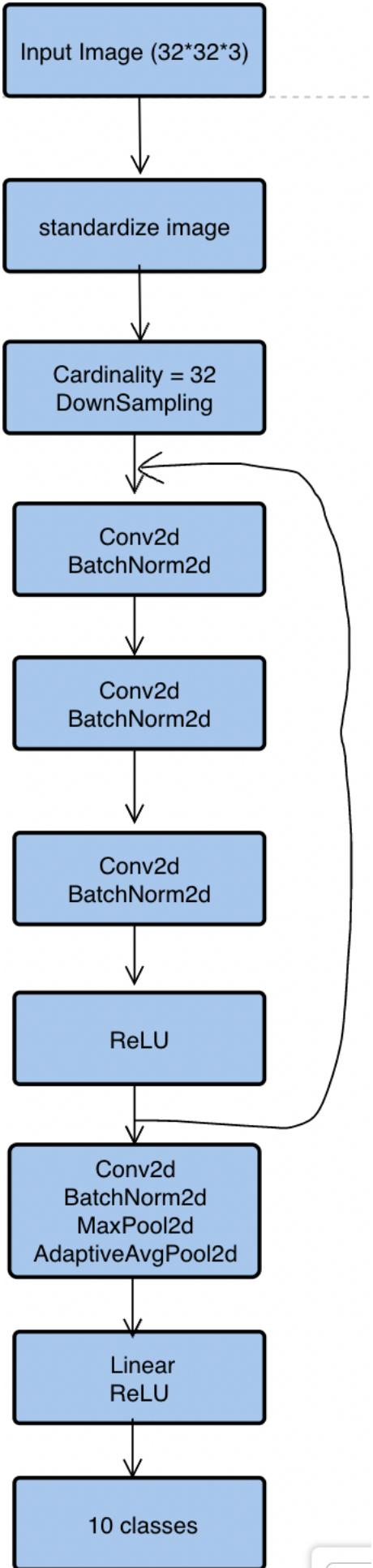


Fig. 49. Test- Acc vs epoch for ResNET

D. ResNEXT

ResNEXT Neural Network is a slight improvement on the ResNET model. According to the paper they add one more layer to the ResNET model for an improvment of 0.2-0.3% accuracy. As required I got the accuracy for ResNext model greater than that of ResNET model. The Testing accuracy I got for my ResNEXT model is 18.76% I implemented the ResNEXT 50 model here with cardinality equals to 32 which is mentioned in the offical paper. The total number of parameters that I got in this are 25028904. I used the Adam optimizer with weight decay of 0.001 for improving the results. The total number of epochs for this are 30 with batch size of 25. For this model I have plotted the Training, Testing and loss with respect to total epochs. Furthermore, I have also calculated the Testing and Training Confusion Matrix as well.



	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
True	64	110	9	55	28	23	167	25	167	159	(0)
Predicted	0	74	93	7	71	17	18	182	38	179	167
1	87	83	13	92	32	26	131	39	210	169	(1)
2	74	98	18	35	34	20	140	36	183	178	(2)
3	65	89	16	27	21	153	26	180	185	153	(3)
4	64	114	14	199	22	28	149	34	108	153	(4)
5	89	88	17	218	25	21	171	23	189	189	(5)
6	73	103	10	176	26	26	139	32	170	172	(6)
7	52	106	13	56	30	32	164	33	147	192	(7)
8	73	86	12	227	34	23	167	20	178	161	(8)
9	73	86	12	227	34	23	167	20	178	161	(9)

Fig. 51. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for ResNEXT

[0]	64	110	9	253	28	23	167	25	167	159	(0)
[1]	74	93	7	219	17	18	162	38	179	167	(1)
[2]	87	83	13	242	32	26	132	39	218	169	(2)
[3]	74	98	18	235	34	20	140	36	183	178	(3)
[4]	65	98	14	237	24	152	20	180	185	147	(4)
[5]	64	114	14	199	22	28	149	34	108	153	(5)
[6]	89	88	17	218	25	21	171	23	189	189	(6)
[7]	73	103	10	176	26	26	139	32	170	172	(7)
[8]	52	106	13	56	30	32	164	33	147	192	(8)
[9]	73	86	12	227	34	23	167	20	178	161	(9)

Fig. 52. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for ResNEXT

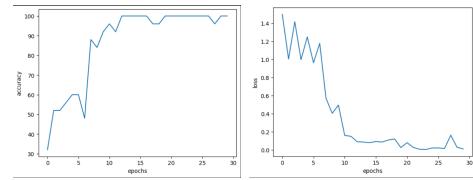


Fig. 53. Train - Loss, Acc vs epochs for ResNEXT

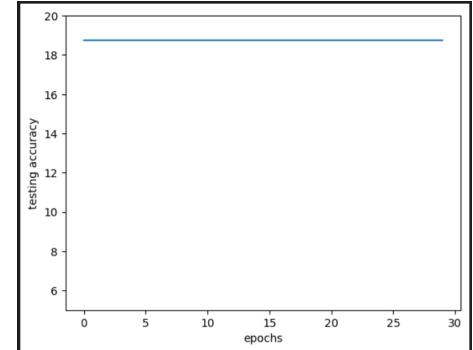


Fig. 54. Test- Acc vs epoch for ResNEXT

E. DenseNet

DenseNet is an interesting NeuralNetwork. The idea that if there are L layers in the network, the Lth layer gets $L^*(L + 1)/2$ inputs to it. The DenseNet also makes use of Denseblocks, denseslayers and transition layers which are used to transform the information into different sizes. For this model I got an Testing accuracy around 11.82% which was because I implemented the most basic DenseNet model. The other reason might be the less number of epochs on which I am training my model. I trained it on 30 epochs with batch size of 25. I used Adam optimizer with weight decay of 0.001 to increase the accuracy. The total number of parameters in this DenseNet are 1071946. For this model I have plotted the Training, Testing and loss with respect to total epochs. Furthermore, I have

also calculated the Testing and Training Confusion Matrix as well. Further, by implementing more layers and making some amends in Network we can increase the accuracy.

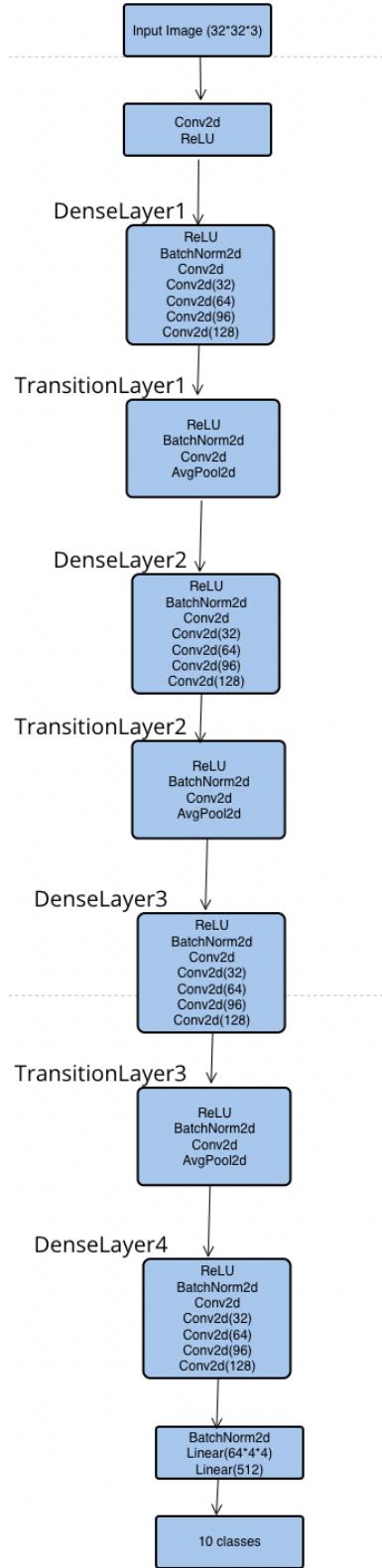


Fig. 55. Architecture for DenseNet

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	3	9	130	74	118	167	373	90	32	9
1	0	4	131	84	122	148	331	92	49	13
2	0	3	162	72	124	166	383	69	63	10
3	2	6	144	76	96	159	354	75	50	15
4	1	9	142	71	127	188	382	80	47	13
5	1	7	138	85	98	172	326	55	48	10
6	0	5	169	79	107	177	366	73	46	8
7	3	4	146	94	101	162	340	69	66	10
8	2	9	152	102	101	144	369	89	45	12
9	0	7	145	74	92	177	356	68	40	12

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	0	4	196	42	118	140	397	67	30	6
1	-1	6	99	45	44	214	469	66	49	8
2	-3	5	177	56	264	103	264	78	37	13
3	-1	6	178	132	100	141	278	86	62	14
4	-1	5	165	101	167	139	246	106	61	14
5	-0	6	166	113	120	172	233	90	82	18
6	-2	9	84	143	55	183	375	61	74	14
7	-2	15	221	103	120	102	265	119	46	9
8	-2	2	78	48	43	322	452	39	26	8
9	0	4	97	30	55	142	354	48	19	8

Fig. 56. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for DenseNet

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
0	4	106	42	118	140	397	67	30	6	(0)
1	6	99	45	44	214	469	66	49	8	(1)
2	5	177	56	264	103	264	78	37	13	(2)
3	1	178	132	100	141	278	86	62	14	(3)
4	0	165	101	167	139	246	106	61	14	(4)
5	0	166	113	120	172	233	90	82	18	(5)
6	2	84	143	55	183	375	61	74	14	(6)
7	2	221	103	120	102	265	119	46	9	(7)
8	2	78	48	43	322	452	39	26	8	(8)
9	0	4	97	30	55	142	354	48	19	(9)

Fig. 57. (a) Train Confusion Matrix (b) Test Confusion Matrix for DenseNet

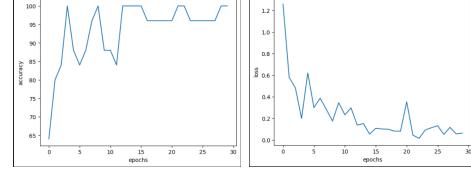


Fig. 58. Train - Loss, Acc vs epochs for DenseNet

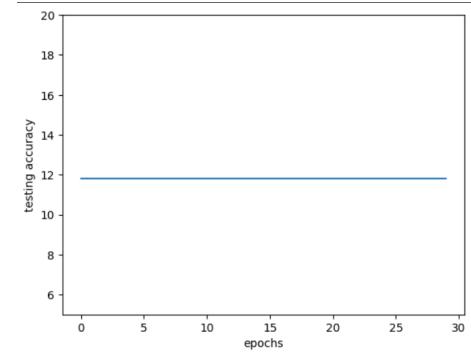


Fig. 59. Test- Acc vs epoch for DenseNet

F. Analysis

From all the networks that I developed and tested, the number of parameters, all the required graphs, accuracy for 30 epochs with batch size of 25 are shown here. I got more accuracy for my Improved Neural Network. Among ResNet, ResNEXT and DenseNet I got more accuracy for ResNEXT which is improved model of ResNet. The Training accuracy for all models was more than that of Testing accuracy, the reason might be that there are some meaningful differences between the kind of data I trained the model on and the testing data which I am providing for evaluation. Maybe I need to tune some hyperparameters to fix it. I will further perform the Data Augmentation and various other tricks so that the Testing accuracy increases. For the above all models I have calculated

the Testing and Training Confusion Matrix as well. Further, by implementing more layers and making some amends in Network we can increase the accuracy. I think models are good enough to get a good accuracy, I need to work on other parameters to increase the accuracy of my model and train it on high computations machines to run them smoothly.

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