

Computer Vision 2025
(CSE344/CSE544/ECE344/ECE544)
Assignment-1

Max Marks: 110 + (10 Bonus)

Due Date: 20-Feb-2025, 11:59 PM

Instructions

- Keep collaborations at high-level discussions. Copying/plagiarism will be dealt with strictly.
 - Your submission should be a single zip file **HW[n]_RollNumber.zip**. Include only the **relevant files** arranged with proper names. A single **.pdf report** explaining your codes with relevant graphs, visualization and solution to theory questions.
 - Note that you will be provided a separate PDF asking deliverables for each question. You will **only be graded for deliverables** provided in the submitted report.
 - Remember to **turn in** after uploading on Google Classroom. No justifications would be taken regarding this after the deadline.
 - Start the assignment early. Resolve all your doubts from TAs during their office hours **two days before the deadline**.
 - Kindly **document** your code. Don't forget to include all the necessary plots in your report.
 - All **[PG]** questions, if any, are **optional for UG** students but are **mandatory for PG** students. UG students will get BONUS marks for solving that question.
 - All **[BONUS]** questions, if any, are optional for all the students. As the name suggests, BONUS marks will be awarded to all the students who solve these questions.
 - Your submission **must include all the code used for solving the questions**. You can submit *.ipynb* along with the *.py* files.
 - For each of the programming questions **you must set the seed with your roll number for reproducibility**. Use `torch.manual_seed(seed: int)` to set the seed value, where *seed* = *#RollNumber*. If your roll number starts with a letter such as MT or PhD, you must use the ASCII values of the characters. Submitted codes without this will incur a **penalty**.
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1. (14 points) **Theory**

1. (4 points) Consider a classification problem with K classes, where the true class label is represented as a one-hot vector $\mathbf{y} \in \{0, 1\}^K$, $\|\mathbf{y}\|_1 = 1$, and the predicted probability distribution over classes is $\mathbf{q} = [q_1, q_2, \dots, q_K]$, where $\sum_{i=1}^K q_i = 1$, $q_i \geq 0$.

Label smoothing is a regularization technique used in classification models to reduce the extent to which models become overconfident in their predictions. Label smoothing modifies the target distribution \mathbf{y} by assigning a small probability $\frac{\epsilon}{K}$ to each incorrect class and $1 - \epsilon + \frac{\epsilon}{K}$ to the correct class.

- (a) (2 points) Cross-entropy between two arbitrary distributions p and q for a random variable X is defined as $H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = \mathbb{E}_P[-\log q(X)]$. Derive the cross-entropy loss with label smoothing, $H(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{q})$, as an expectation over the smoothed target distribution in terms of ϵ , K , and the predicted probabilities q_i .
- (b) (2 points) Discuss the effect of label smoothing on the loss and its interpretation.
2. (5 points) Consider two univariate Gaussian distributions, $p(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_p, \sigma_p^2)$ and $q(x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_q, \sigma_q^2)$:
- (a) (1 point) Write the expression for the cross-entropy between $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ as an expectation.
- (b) (2 points) Evaluate the expectation $H(p, q)$ in terms of $\mu_p, \sigma_p^2, \mu_q, \sigma_q$.
- (c) (2 points) For $\sigma_p = \sigma_q = \sigma$, simplify $H(p, q)$ and interpret the result.
3. (5 points) Atrous convolutions, or dilated convolutions, allow convolutional neural networks to capture a larger receptive field without increasing the number of parameters or downsampling the feature map. The dilation factor (or rate) r specifies the spacing between kernel elements.
- (a) (2 points) Derive the effective receptive field size for a 1D convolution with a kernel size k , dilation factor r , and L layers of stacked convolutions. Show that the receptive field grows exponentially with respect to r if the dilation factor increases layer-by-layer (e.g., $r = 1, 2, 4, \dots$).
- (b) (2 points) Generalize the result to 2D convolutions with a $k \times k$ kernel and explain how the receptive field changes with r and L .
- (c) (1 point) Compare the computational complexity of a standard $k \times k$ convolution with a dilated $k \times k$ convolution for a fixed feature map size. Derive expressions for the number of multiply-add operations in each case.

2. (43 points) **Image Classification**

1. (5 points) Refer to the [Russian Wildlife Dataset](#).
- (a) (1 point) Download the dataset and use the following mapping as the class labels: {'amur_leopard': 0, 'amur_tiger': 1, 'birds': 2, 'black_bear': 3, 'brown_bear': 4, 'dog': 5, 'roe_deer': 6, 'sika_deer': 7, 'wild_boar': 8, 'people': 9} Perform a stratified random split of the data in the ratio 0.8:0.2 to get the train and

- validation sets. Create a custom [Dataset class](#) for the data. Initialize [Weights & Biases](#) (WandB)([Video Tutorial](#)).
- (b) (2 points) Create [data loaders](#) for all the splits (train and validation) using PyTorch.
 - (c) (2 points) Visualize the data distribution across class labels for training and validation sets.
2. (13 Points) Training a CNN from scratch ([Tutorial](#)):
- (a) (3.5 points) Create a CNN architecture with 3 Convolution Layers having a kernel size of 3×3 and padding and stride of 1. Use 32 feature maps for the first layer, 64 for the second and 128 for the last convolution layer. Use a Max pooling layer having kernel size of 4×4 with stride 4 after the first convolution layer and a Max pooling layer having kernel size of 2×2 with stride 2 after the second and third convolution layers. Finally flatten the output of the final Max pooling layer and add a classification head on top of it. Use ReLU activation functions wherever applicable.
 - (b) (3 points) Train the model using the Cross-Entropy Loss and Adam optimizer for 10 epochs. Use wandb to log the training and validation losses and accuracies.
 - (c) (0.5 points) Look at the training and validation loss plots and comment whether the model is overfitting or not.
 - (d) (3 points) Report the Accuracy and F1-Score on the validation set. Also, log the confusion matrix using wandb.
 - (e) (3 points) For each class in the validation set, visualize any 3 images that were misclassified along with the predicted class label. Analyze why the model could possibly be failing in these cases. Is this due to the fact that the image does not contain the ground truth class or it looks more similar to the predicted class or something else? Can you think of any workaround for such samples?
3. (10 points) Fine-tuning a pretrained model
- (a) (3.5 points) Train another classifier with a fine-tuned [Resnet-18](#) (pre-trained on ImageNet) architecture using the same strategy used in Question 2.2.(b) and again use wandb for logging the loss and accuracy.
 - (b) (0.5 points) Look at the training and validation loss plots and comment whether the model is overfitting or not.
 - (c) (3 points) Report the Accuracy and F1-Score on the validation set. Also, log the confusion matrix using wandb.
 - (d) (3 points) For deep neural networks, typically, the backbone is the part of a model (initial layers) that is used to extract *feature representations* (or simply features) from the raw input data, which can then be used for classification or some other related task. These features are expressed as an n-dimensional vector, also known as a feature vector and the corresponding vector space is referred to as the feature space. As the training progresses and the classifier learns to classify the input, the data samples belonging to the same class lie

closer to each other in the feature space than other data samples. For input samples from the training and validation sets, extract the feature vectors using the backbone (ResNet-18 in this case) and visualize them in the feature space using the [tSNE](#) plot in a 2-D Space. Also, visualize the tSNE plot of the validation set in a 3D-Space.

4. (10 points) Data augmentation techniques
 - (a) (3.5 points) Use any 3 (or more) [Data Augmentation](#) techniques that are suitable for this problem. Remember that data augmentation techniques are used for synthetically adding more training data so that the model can train on more variety of data samples. Visualize 4-5 augmented images and add them to your report.
 - (b) (3 points) Follow the same steps as in Question 2.3.(a) to train the model.
 - (c) (0.5 point) Look at the training and validation loss plots now and comment if the problem of overfitting is getting resolved or not.
 - (d) (3 points) Report the Accuracy and F1-Score on the validation set. Also, log the confusion matrix using wandb.
5. (5 points) Compare and comment on the performance of all three models.

3. (35 points) **Image Segmentation**

1. (5 points) Download the [CAMVid dataset](#).
 - (a) (1 point) Download the dataset and write the dataloader. The image size in the dataset is (960, 720) shape; you need to resize the image to (480, 360) and normalize the input image by applying $\text{mean}=[0.485, 0.456, 0.406]$, $\text{std}=[0.229, 0.224, 0.225]$.
 - (b) (2 points) Visualize the class distribution across the provided dataset.
 - (c) (2 points) Visualize two images along with their mask for each class.

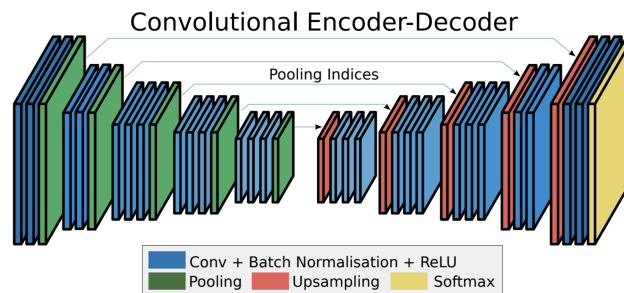


Figure 1: Encoder-decoder architecture for segmentation.

2. (15 points) Train SegNet Decoder from scratch:
 - (a) (6 points) We provide a pre-trained [SegNet encoder](#), implemented in the given [model.classes.py](#) file, which has been trained on the **CamVid** dataset. Additionally, the file includes a skeleton structure for the decoder that you will need to implement from scratch.

Your task is to complete the decoder implementation by following the provided instructions. Once implemented, train the decoder by using the **segnet_pretrained**, use the **cross-entropy loss** function, with a **Batch Normalization** momentum of 0.5, and optimize the model using the **Adam optimizer**. Also, log your training loss on wandb.

- (b) (4 points) Report the classwise performance of the test set in terms of pixel-wise accuracy, dice coefficient, IoU (Intersection Over Union), and also mIoU. Additionally, report precision and recall. Use the IoUs within the range $[0, 1]$ with 0.1 interval size for computation of the above metrics. You may refer to this [article](#) to learn more about the evaluation of segmentation models. Include all your findings in the submitted report.
 - (c) (5 points) For any three classes in the test set, visualize any three images with $\text{IoU} \leq 0.5$ and the predicted and ground truth masks; the visualization of masks should be in proper color code. Comment on why the model could possibly be failing in these cases with the help of IoU visualizations. Is the object occluded, is it being misclassified, or is it due to the environment (surroundings) where the object is present?
3. (15 points) Fine-tuning DeepLabV3 on the CamVID Dataset.
- (a) (6 points) Use a pre-trained [DeepLabv3](#) trained on the Pascal VOC dataset, fine-tune it for CamVID Dataset using the cross-entropy loss function and the Adam optimizer. Also, log your training loss on wandb.
 - (b) (4 points) Report the classwise performance of the test set in terms of pixel-wise accuracy, dice coefficient, IoU (Intersection Over Union), and also mIoU. Additionally, report precision and recall. Use the IoUs within the range $[0, 1]$ with 0.1 interval size for computation of the above metrics and compare it with your implemented SegNet Model. Include all your findings in the submitted report.
 - (c) (5 points) For any three classes in the test set, visualize any three images with $\text{IoU} \leq 0.5$ and the predicted and ground truth masks; the visualization of masks should be in proper color code same as done in the part-1 of this question. Comment on why the model could possibly be failing in these cases with the help of IoU visualizations. Is the object occluded, is it being misclassified, or is it due to the environment (surroundings) where the object is present?

4. (28 points) **Object Detection and Multi-Object Tracking**

- 1. (18 points) The *Object Detection* problem involves two tasks – *localizing* the object, i.e. determining the coordinates of the valid bounding boxes in the image, and *classifying* the objects within those boxes from a vocabulary of object classes. By completing this task, you will learn how to use modern state-of-the-art detection models and interpret their outputs. More importantly, you will learn how to perform a deep analysis of prediction errors.

- (a) (1 point) You will use the [Ultralytics API](#) to detect objects in the [COCO 2017 validation set](#). Familiarize yourself with the API and download the COCO 2017 validation set. Note that the Ultralytics repo has a script to automatically download the data – you may refer to [their documentation](#). You will not need the *train* and *test* splits, only the *val* split is required for this task.
 - (b) (2 points) Use a COCO-pretrained **YOLOv8** model to make predictions on COCO val2017. Save your predictions in a json file **in the standard COCO format**. You can find this format specification on [the COCO website](#). Report the mAP (Mean Average Precision) of your model predictions.
 - (c) (2 points) Check out [the TIDE Toolbox](#). This tool analyzes detector predictions to classify and quantify the specific types of errors. Use your saved predictions to compute the TIDE statistics on the val set. Moreover, read the [TIDE paper](#) and understand what these errors mean. Comment on the error analysis of your model as per your understanding.
 - (d) (5 points) Modern deep neural networks often have poor *confidence calibration* – that is, their predicted probability estimates are not a good representative of the true correctness likelihood. Expected Calibration Error (ECE) is one metric that summarizes this miscalibration error into a scalar statistic. Please read **Section 2** of [this paper](#) to learn how to compute ECE (Eqn. 3). Compute this metric on your COCO val2017 predictions. Report and comment on the significance of the error obtained for your predictions.
 - (e) (5 points) The COCO API reports performance for [three scales of objects](#) – small, medium and large. These objects are classified based on the *area* of the bounding box of each object – **small** objects are defined as those with $\text{area} < 36 \cdot 36$, **medium** as $36 \cdot 36 \leq \text{area} < 96 \cdot 96$, and **large** as $\text{area} \geq 96 \cdot 96$. Compute the TIDE statistics at each of the three object scales. For this, you can filter your saved predictions file based on the three scales and save a new file for each scale, and then match each of them against the ground truth annotations file with the TIDE API.
Also, compute the Expected Calibration Error at each of these scales.
 - (f) (3 points) Answer each of the following points separately.
 - (1 point) What can you infer from these observations?
 - (1 point) Comment on your observations across each of the three scales.
 - (1 point) Compare these statistics with the relevant metrics computed with all objects, as you computed in 4.(c) and 4.(d).
2. **[BONUS]** (10 points) Refer to the [MOT17 Dataset](#) for object tracking evaluation. You need to evaluate ByteTrack using the training dataset.
- (a) (2.5 points) Download the MOT17 dataset. Visualize the first frame of the first video in the training set. Visualize the data distribution using the number of frames. Visualize the first frame of any one video.
 - (b) (1 point) ByteTrack is a simple, fast and strong multi-object tracker. Use [ByteTrack](#) to track detection provided in any one video and visualize the output video with bounding boxes.

- (c) (4 points) Implement a simple [IOU Tracker](#), and track the detection provided in any one video and visualize the output video with bounding boxes
- (d) (2.5 points) Compare the performance of your custom-implemented IoU tracker with ByteTrack. To know more about MOT metrics, click this [link](#).