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Lab 14: Implement a pre-trained CNN model as a feature extractor using Transfer learning

Aim:

To use a pre-trained CNN (e.g. VGG16, ResNet 50, MobileNet) as a feature extractor for image classification tasks.

Objectives:

- 1) To apply transfer learning for feature extraction
- 2) To fine-tune the pre-trained network for a new dataset.
- 3) To train a classifier on extracted features.

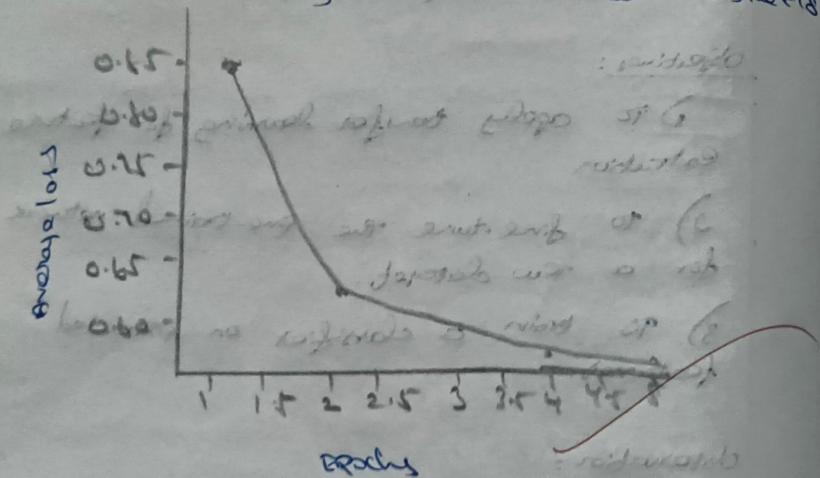
Observation:

- 1) Early layers of pre-trained CNNs provide reusable features.
- 2) ~~Freezing pre-trained models reduces training time and improves performance.~~
- 3) The final classification layer can be replaced with a custom classifier.

Pseudocode:

- 1) Import libraries
- 2) Load pre-trained CNN model
- 3) Freeze base model layers.
- 4) Add new classification layers (Dense + Softmax)
- 5) Compile model (Adam optimizer, Categorical cross entropy)

Training loss curve - Transfer learning with ResNet18



Loss bands go down and C increases along with decreasing softmax averages and going to model stabilise. And no loss reflects nature of the bands.

Model type
Data is based on band G and Polar and axes (and their combinations) and the (parallel) Polar signs (positive or negative)

- c) Train on new dataset
- d) Evaluate performance and visualize accuracy/loss.

Output:

Epoch 1, loss : 0.8348
Epoch 2, loss : 0.6229
Epoch 3, loss : 0.5932.
Epoch 4, loss : 0.5997
Epoch 5, loss : 0.5699

Result:

Successfully implemented the pre-trained CNN model as a feature Extractor using transfer learning.

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! pip install torch torchvision matplotlib
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# lab14_transfer_learning_feature_extractor_with_grayscale.py
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import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torchvision.models as models
import torchvision.transforms as transforms
from torchvision.datasets import CIFAR10
from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
import torch.optim as optim
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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```
# device setup
device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")
print("Using device:", device)
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```
# Load pre-trained ResNet18
model = models.resnet18(pretrained=True)
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# Freeze all convolutional layers to use as feature extractor
for param in model.parameters():
    param.requires_grad = False
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# Replace the final layer to match CIFAR-10 (10 classes)
model.fc = nn.Linear(model.fc.in_features, 10)
model = model.to(device)
```

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# Data transformations
transform = transforms.Compose([
    transforms.Resize(224),
    transforms.ToTensor(),
])
```

```
# Load dataset (CIFAR-10)
trainset = CIFAR10(root='./data', train=True, download=True, transform=transform)
trainloader = DataLoader(trainset, batch_size=4, shuffle=True)
```

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# Loss and optimizer
criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
optimizer = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=0.001)

# Lists to store loss values for graph
loss_values = []

# Training for a few epochs
epochs = 5
for epoch in range(epochs):
    running_loss = 0.0
    for images, labels in trainloader:
        images, labels = images.to(device), labels.to(device)

        optimizer.zero_grad()
        outputs = model(images)
        loss = criterion(outputs, labels)
        loss.backward()
        optimizer.step()
        running_loss += loss.item()

    avg_loss = running_loss / len(trainloader)
    loss_values.append(avg_loss)
    print(f'Epoch [{epoch+1}/{epochs}], Loss: {avg_loss:.4f}')

print("\nTraining complete using Pre-trained ResNet18 as feature extractor.\n")

# Plot the training loss graph
plt.figure(figsize=(7, 4))
plt.plot(range(1, epochs + 1), loss_values, marker='o', linestyle='-', linewidth=2)
plt.title("Training Loss Curve - Transfer Learning with ResNet18")
plt.xlabel("Epochs")
plt.ylabel("Average Loss")
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```

using device: cuda
downloading: "https://download.pytorch.org/models/resnet18-f37072fd.pth" to /root/.cache/torch/hub/checkpoints/resnet18-f37072fd.pth
/usr/local/bin/python3.10/dist-packages/torch/vision/models/_utils.py:206: UserWarning: The parameter 'pretrained' is deprecated since 0.13 and may be removed in the future, please use 'weights' instead.
warnings.warn(
/usr/local/bin/python3.10/dist-packages/torch/vision/models/_utils.py:223: UserWarning: Arguments other than a weight enum or 'none' for 'weights' are deprecated since 0.13 and may be removed in the future. The current behavior is equivalent to passing 'weights=ResNet18_Weights.DEFAULT'. You can also use 'weights=ResNet18_Weights.DEFAULT' to get the most up-to-date behavior.
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Epoch [1/5], loss: 0.8981
Epoch [2/5], loss: 0.6260
Epoch [3/5], loss: 0.5937
Epoch [4/5], loss: 0.5797
Epoch [5/5], loss: 0.5699
Training complete using Pre-trained ResNet18 as Feature Extractor.

Training Loss Curve - Transfer Learning with ResNet18

Epoch	Average Loss
1.0	0.85
2.0	0.62
3.0	0.59
4.0	0.58
5.0	0.57