Image Sharpening using Knowledge Distillation

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Project Objective

- To develop a model that enhances image sharpness for video conferencing.
- Target use case: low bandwidth or unstable network environments.

<u>Dataset</u>

- Dataset: DBlur Helen Subset
- Contains paired blurred and sharp facial images for supervised learning.
- Train, Validation, and Test sets
- Images resized to 256×256.
- Blur Types: motion and defocus.
- Source: Kaggle Image Deblurring Datasets

Model Architecture

- Teacher Model: DnCNN
- Student Model: BetterStudent
- Framework: PyTorch
- Knowledge Distillation is used to train the student.

<u>Setup</u>

- # Setup
- import os
- import torch
- import torch.nn as nn

• ...

Dataset Class

- # Dataset Class
- class HelenDataset(Dataset):
- def ___init___(self,...

<u>DataLoader</u>

- # Load Dummy Datasets
- train_dataset = HelenDataset(...)
- train_loader = DataLoader(...

Model Definitions

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- class DnCNN(nn.Module):

• ...

class BetterStudent(nn.Module):

• ...

Metrics

- # Metrics
- def calculate_ssim(...)
- def calculate_psnr(...)
- def evaluate(...)

Training Loops

- # Training Loops
- def train_teacher(...)
- def distill_student(...)
- def distill_loss(...)

<u>Main</u>

```
    # Main
    if __name__ == '__main__':
    teacher = DnCNN()
    ...
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torch.save(...)

Conclusion

- Successfully created a lightweight, real-time image sharpening model.
- Enhanced video clarity in adverse network conditions.
- Ready for integration into video conferencing platforms.
- Subjective feedback confirmed the model's effectiveness.

Thank You