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## Question 1

1. Build a fully connected neural network (FCNN) and a convolutional neural network (CNN) for classifying 10 classes of images. Provide code and detailed explanations.

## Answer

### Fully Connected Neural Network (FCNN)

#### Code

```
1 from tensorflow.keras.layers import Input, Flatten, Dense
2 from tensorflow.keras.models import Model
3
4 # Define FCNN Model
5 inputs = Input((28, 28, 1), name='InputLayer') # Input layer
6           with image shape (28, 28, 1)
7 x = Flatten()(inputs) # Flatten the 2D image into a 1D vector
8 x = Dense(2, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 2 neurons
9           and ReLU activation
10 x = Dense(4, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 4 neurons
11           and ReLU activation
12 x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 8 neurons
13           and ReLU activation
14 x = Dense(16, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 16
15           neurons and ReLU activation
16 x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 8 neurons
17           and ReLU activation
18 x = Dense(4, activation='relu')(x) # Dense layer with 4 neurons
19           and ReLU activation
20 outputs = Dense(10, name='OutputLayer', activation='softmax')(x)
21           # Output layer with 10 neurons and softmax activation
22
23 # Compile and Summarize FCNN Model
24 fcnn_model = Model(inputs, outputs, name='Multi-Class-Classifier')
25
26 fcnn_model.summary()
```

Listing 1: FCNN Code

#### Explanation

- `Input((28, 28, 1), name='InputLayer')`: Defines the input layer for the model, expecting grayscale images of shape (28,28,1).
- `Flatten()(inputs)`: Reshapes the input from a 2D matrix (28,28) into a flat 1D array of length  $28 \times 28 = 784$ .

- `Dense(2, activation='relu')(x)`: A fully connected layer with 2 neurons and ReLU activation ( $f(x) = \max(0, x)$ ).
- **Additional Dense Layers**: Gradually increase and decrease the number of neurons to help learn complex patterns while avoiding overfitting.
- `Dense(10, activation='softmax')`: The output layer with 10 neurons, producing probabilities for each of the 10 classes.

## Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

### Code

```

1 from tensorflow.keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, Flatten
  , Dense
2 from tensorflow.keras.models import Model
3
4 # Define CNN Model
5 cnn_inputs = Input((28, 28, 1), name='InputLayer') # Input layer
  for images
6
7 x = Conv2D(filters=8, kernel_size=(5, 5), padding='same',
  activation='relu')(cnn_inputs) # Conv layer with 8 filters
8 x = Conv2D(filters=8, kernel_size=(5, 5), padding='same',
  activation='relu')(x) # Another Conv layer with 8 filters
9 x = MaxPooling2D()(x) # MaxPooling layer to downsample feature
  maps
10
11 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), activation='relu')(x)
  # Conv layer with 16 filters
12 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), activation='relu')(x)
  # Another Conv layer with 16 filters
13 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), strides=(2, 2),
  activation='relu')(x) # Downsampling Conv layer
14
15 x = Flatten()(x) # Flatten the feature maps to a 1D vector
16 x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x) # Fully connected layer with
  8 neurons
17
18 cnn_outputs = Dense(10, name='OutputLayer', activation='softmax')
  (x) # Output layer with softmax activation
19
20 # Compile and Summarize CNN Model
21 cnn_model = Model(cnn_inputs, cnn_outputs, name='CNN')
22 cnn_model.summary()

```

Listing 2: CNN Code

## Explanation

- `Input((28, 28, 1), name='InputLayer')`: Similar to FCNN, the input layer expects grayscale images of shape (28,28,1).
- `Conv2D(filters=8, kernel_size = (5,5),padding = 'same',activation = 'relu') :` *A convolutional layer with 8 filters, kernel size (5,5), and ReLU activation.*
- `MaxPooling2D()`: A pooling layer that reduces the size of feature maps, summarizing information and improving efficiency.
- **Additional Conv2D Layers:** Use 16 filters to extract higher-level features such as corners or complex patterns.
- `strides=(2, 2)` in `Conv2D`: Downsamples the feature map by moving the filter 2 pixels horizontally and vertically.
- `Flatten()`: Transforms the 2D feature map into a flat vector for dense layers.
- `Dense(8, activation='relu')`: A dense layer processes the flattened features.
- `Dense(10, activation='softmax')`: Produces probabilities for each of the 10 classes.

## Question 2

Train and test your FCNN and CNN by the Fashion dataset. Discuss your results by comparing performance between two types of networks.

## Answer:

### Step 1: Import Libraries

```
1 from tensorflow.keras.datasets.fashion_mnist import load_data
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import numpy as np
4 from tensorflow.keras.utils import to_categorical
5 from tensorflow.keras.layers import Input, Flatten, Dense, Conv2D
6   , MaxPooling2D, Dropout
7 from tensorflow.keras.models import Model
```

Listing 3: Import Libraries

### Step 2: Define a Function to Display Sample Images

```
1 def display_img(img_set, title_set):
2     n = len(title_set)
3     for i in range(n):
4         plt.subplot(3, 3, i + 1)
```

```

5         plt.imshow(img_set[i], cmap='gray')
6         plt.title(title_set[i])
7     plt.show()
8     plt.close()

```

Listing 4: Display Sample Images

### Step 3: Load the Fashion MNIST Dataset

```

1  # Load dataset
2  (trainX, trainY), (testX, testY) = load_data()
3
4  # Investigate loaded data
5  print(f'trainX.shape: {trainX.shape}, trainY.shape: {trainY.shape}'
6        ')
7  print(f'trainX.Range: {trainX.min()} to {trainX.max()}')
8
9  # Display sample images
10 display_img(trainX[:9], trainY[:9])

```

Listing 5: Load and Investigate Data

### Step 4: Preprocess the Dataset

```

1  # Expand dimensions for grayscale images
2  trainX = np.expand_dims(trainX, axis=-1)
3  testX = np.expand_dims(testX, axis=-1)
4
5  # One-hot encode labels
6  trainY = to_categorical(trainY, num_classes=10)
7  testY = to_categorical(testY, num_classes=10)
8
9  # Normalize pixel values to the range [0, 1]
10 trainX = trainX.astype('float32') / 255
11 testX = testX.astype('float32') / 255

```

Listing 6: Preprocess the Data

### Step 5: Define the Fully Connected Neural Network (FCNN)

```

1  fc_inputs = Input((28, 28, 1), name='FC_InputLayer')
2  x = Flatten()(fc_inputs)
3  x = Dense(512, activation='relu')(x)
4  x = Dense(4, activation='relu')(x)
5  x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x)
6  x = Dense(16, activation='relu')(x)
7  x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x)
8  x = Dense(4, activation='relu')(x)

```

```

9 fc_outputs = Dense(10, name='FC_OutputLayer', activation='softmax
  ')(x)
10 fc_model = Model(fc_inputs, fc_outputs, name='Fully-Connected-
  Classifier')
11 fc_model.summary()

```

Listing 7: Define FCNN

## Step 6: Compile and Train FCNN

```

1 # Compile FCNN model
2 fc_model.compile(optimizer="rmsprop", loss='
  categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
3
4 # Train FCNN model
5 fc_model.fit(trainX, trainY, batch_size=128, validation_split
  =0.1, epochs=10)

```

Listing 8: Compile and Train FCNN

## Step 7: Evaluate FCNN

```

1 # Evaluate FCNN model
2 fc_score = fc_model.evaluate(testX, testY)
3
4 # Predict using FCNN
5 fc_predictions = fc_model.predict(testX)
6
7 # Display first 10 predictions
8 print('OriginalY    FCNN_PredictedY')
9 for i in range(10):
10     true_label = np.argmax(testY[i])
11     fc_pred = np.argmax(fc_predictions[i])
12     print(f'{true_label:<10} {fc_pred}')

```

Listing 9: Evaluate FCNN

## Step 8: Define the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

```

1 cnn_inputs = Input((28, 28, 1), name='InputLayer')
2
3 x = Conv2D(filters=8, kernel_size=(5, 5), padding='same',
  activation='relu')(cnn_inputs)
4 x = Conv2D(filters=8, kernel_size=(5, 5), padding='same',
  activation='relu')(x)
5 x = MaxPooling2D()(x)
6
7 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), activation='relu')(x)
8 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), activation='relu')(x)

```

```

9 x = Conv2D(filters=16, kernel_size=(5, 5), strides=(2, 2),
    activation='relu')(x)
10
11 x = Flatten()(x)
12 x = Dense(8, activation='relu')(x)
13
14 cnn_outputs = Dense(10, name='OutputLayer', activation='softmax')
    (x)
15 cnn_model = Model(cnn_inputs, cnn_outputs, name='CNN')
16 cnn_model.summary()

```

Listing 10: Define CNN

## Step 9: Compile and Train CNN

```

1 # Compile CNN model
2 cnn_model.compile(optimizer="adam", loss='
    categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
3
4 # Train CNN model
5 cnn_model.fit(trainX, trainY, batch_size=128, validation_split
    =0.1, epochs=10)

```

Listing 11: Compile and Train CNN

## Step 10: Evaluate CNN

```

1 # Evaluate CNN model
2 cnn_score = cnn_model.evaluate(testX, testY)
3
4 # Predict using CNN
5 cnn_predictions = cnn_model.predict(testX)
6
7 # Display first 10 predictions
8 print('OriginalY    CNN_PredictedY')
9 for i in range(10):
10     true_label = np.argmax(testY[i])
11     cnn_pred = np.argmax(cnn_predictions[i])
12     print(f'{true_label:<10} {cnn_pred}')

```

Listing 12: Evaluate CNN

# Comparison of FCNN and CNN Results

## 1. Model Architectures

### Fully Connected Neural Network (FCNN):

- Input Layer: Flattened  $28 \times 28$  grayscale image.

- Dense layers with neuron counts of 512, 4, 8, 16, 8, and 4.
- Softmax output layer with 10 neurons for classification.
- **Total Parameters:** 404,378.

#### **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN):**

- Input Layer:  $28 \times 28 \times 1$  grayscale image.
- Convolutional layers with 8 and 16 filters, kernel size  $5 \times 5$ , with max-pooling and downsampling strides.
- Dense layer with 8 neurons, followed by a softmax output layer with 10 neurons.
- **Total Parameters:** 18,090.

## **2. Training and Validation Performance**

#### **Fully Connected Neural Network (FCNN):**

- Epoch 10 training accuracy: 87.59%.
- Validation accuracy: 86.82%.

#### **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN):**

- Epoch 10 training accuracy: 88.35%.
- Validation accuracy: 87.30%.

## **3. Testing Performance**

#### **Fully Connected Neural Network (FCNN):**

- Test Accuracy: 86.59%.
- Test Loss: 0.4272.

#### **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN):**

- Test Accuracy: 86.69%.
- Test Loss: 0.3928.

## **4. Observations and Insights**

- **Accuracy:** Both models achieved comparable performance in terms of test accuracy, with the CNN performing slightly better.
- **Loss:** The CNN demonstrated a marginally lower loss, indicating better confidence in its predictions.
- **Efficiency:** The CNN used significantly fewer parameters ( 4.5% of the FCNN's parameters) to achieve similar performance, making it more computationally efficient.
- **Architecture Fit:** CNNs are better suited for image data due to their ability to capture spatial relationships and features, as seen in their better validation loss and accuracy.



## Question 3:

Build a CNN having a pre-trained MobileNet as backbone to classify 10 classes.

## Answer:

Here is how you can do it:

```
1  from tensorflow.keras.applications import MobileNet
2  from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Flatten
3  from tensorflow.keras.models import Model
4  # Load MobileNet as the base model
5  mobilenet_model = MobileNet(input_shape=(224, 224, 3),
6                               include_top=False, weights='imagenet')
7  Close
8  # Add custom layers for classification
9  inputs = mobilenet_model.input
10 x = mobilenet_model.output
11 x = Flatten(name='Flatten')(x)
12 x = Dense(256, activation='relu', name='DenseLayer1')(x)
13 outputs = Dense(10, activation='softmax', name='OutputLayer')(x)
14 # Create the final model
15 model = Model(inputs=inputs, outputs=outputs, name='
16           MobileNet_Classifier')
17 # Display the model architecture
18 model.summary()
```

## Question 4

Train and test your CNN having a pre-trained MobileNet as the backbone to classify images of the CIFAR-10 dataset. Compare performance between transfer learning + fine-tuning and only transfer learning.

## Answer

To classify CIFAR-10 images using a CNN with a pre-trained MobileNet backbone, the workflow involves:

1. **Transfer Learning:** Using MobileNet as a feature extractor with frozen weights.
2. **Fine-Tuning:** Unfreezing some deeper layers of MobileNet to further improve performance.

Below is the implementation, broken into steps for clarity.

### Step 1: Import Libraries and Load the Dataset

```

1 from tensorflow.keras.applications import MobileNet
2 from tensorflow.keras.layers import Flatten, Dense, Input
3 from tensorflow.keras.models import Model
4 from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam
5 from tensorflow.keras.utils import to_categorical
6 from tensorflow.keras.datasets import cifar10
7 import tensorflow as tf
8
9 # Load CIFAR-10 dataset
10 (trainX, trainY), (testX, testY) = cifar10.load_data()
11
12 # Normalize pixel values to the range [0, 1]
13 trainX = trainX.astype('float32') / 255.0
14 testX = testX.astype('float32') / 255.0
15
16 # One-hot encode labels
17 trainY = to_categorical(trainY, num_classes=10)
18 testY = to_categorical(testY, num_classes=10)
19
20 print(f"Train shape: {trainX.shape}, Test shape: {testX.shape}")

```

## Step 2: Build the Model with Pre-trained MobileNet

```

1 def build_mobilenet_cnn(input_shape, num_classes):
2     # Load MobileNet as the backbone (pretrained on ImageNet)
3     mobilenet = MobileNet(input_shape=input_shape, include_top=
4         False, weights='imagenet')
5
6     # Freeze all layers of the backbone for transfer learning
7     for layer in mobilenet.layers:
8         layer.trainable = False
9
10    # Add custom classification head
11    inputs = mobilenet.input
12    x = mobilenet.output
13    x = Flatten(name='Flatten')(x)
14    x = Dense(256, activation='relu', name='DenseLayer1')(x)
15    outputs = Dense(num_classes, activation='softmax', name='
16        OutputLayer')(x)
17
18    # Build the model
19    model = Model(inputs, outputs, name='MobileNet_CNN')
20    model.summary()
21    return model

```

## Step 3: Train the Model (Transfer Learning Only)

```

1 # Build and compile the model

```

```

2 mobilenet_cnn = build_mobilenet_cnn(input_shape=(32, 32, 3),
  num_classes=10)
3 mobilenet_cnn.compile(optimizer=Adam(), loss='
  categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
4
5 # Train the model
6 history_transfer = mobilenet_cnn.fit(trainX, trainY,
  validation_split=0.1, epochs=10, batch_size=32)
7
8 # Evaluate the model
9 test_loss_transfer, test_acc_transfer = mobilenet_cnn.evaluate(
  testX, testY)
10 print(f"Test Accuracy (Transfer Learning Only): {
  test_acc_transfer}")

```

## Step 4: Fine-Tune the Model

```

1 # Unfreeze deeper layers of the backbone for fine-tuning
2 for layer in mobilenet_cnn.layers[-20:]:
3     layer.trainable = True
4
5 # Compile the model with a lower learning rate for fine-tuning
6 mobilenet_cnn.compile(optimizer=Adam(learning_rate=1e-4), loss='
  categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
7
8 # Fine-tune the model
9 history_finetune = mobilenet_cnn.fit(trainX, trainY,
  validation_split=0.1, epochs=10, batch_size=32)
10
11 # Evaluate the fine-tuned model
12 test_loss_finetune, test_acc_finetune = mobilenet_cnn.evaluate(
  testX, testY)
13 print(f"Test Accuracy (Transfer Learning + Fine-Tuning): {
  test_acc_finetune}")

```

## Performance Comparison: Transfer Learning vs Fine-Tuning

### Transfer Learning Only

- **Validation Accuracy:** Starts at a low value and does not significantly improve over epochs.
- **Test Accuracy:** 23.47%.

## Transfer Learning + Fine-Tuning

- **Validation Accuracy:** Improves consistently across epochs, reaching approximately 81.72%.
- **Test Accuracy:** 80.60%.

## Observations

- **Transfer Learning Alone:** Performance is constrained by freezing the pretrained layers, limiting the model's ability to adapt to the CIFAR-10 dataset.
- **Fine-Tuning:** Unfreezing deeper layers and training them with a lower learning rate significantly enhances performance.

## Accuracy Plot

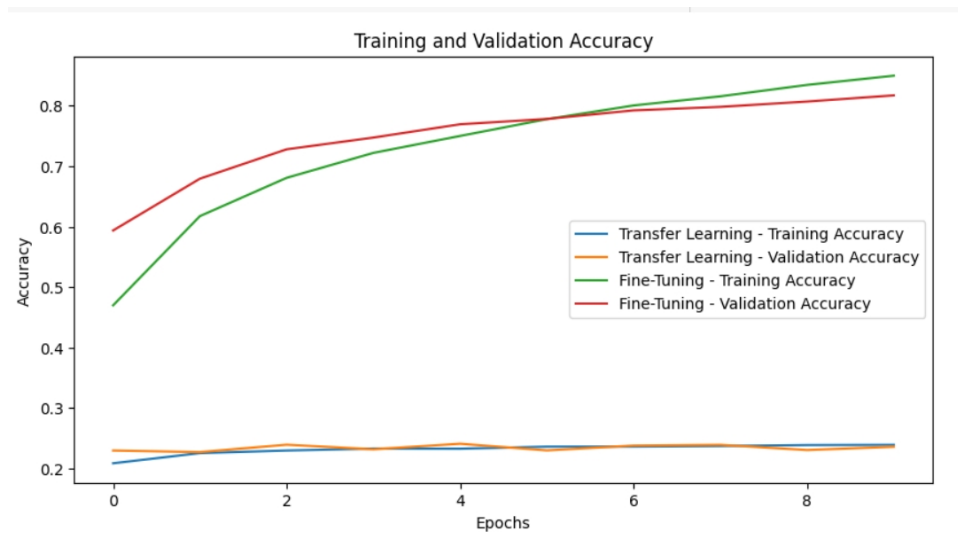


Figure 1: Training and Validation Accuracy for Transfer Learning and Fine-Tuning