



Predicting 2D Human Orientation from Images

EECS 731: Intro to Data Science

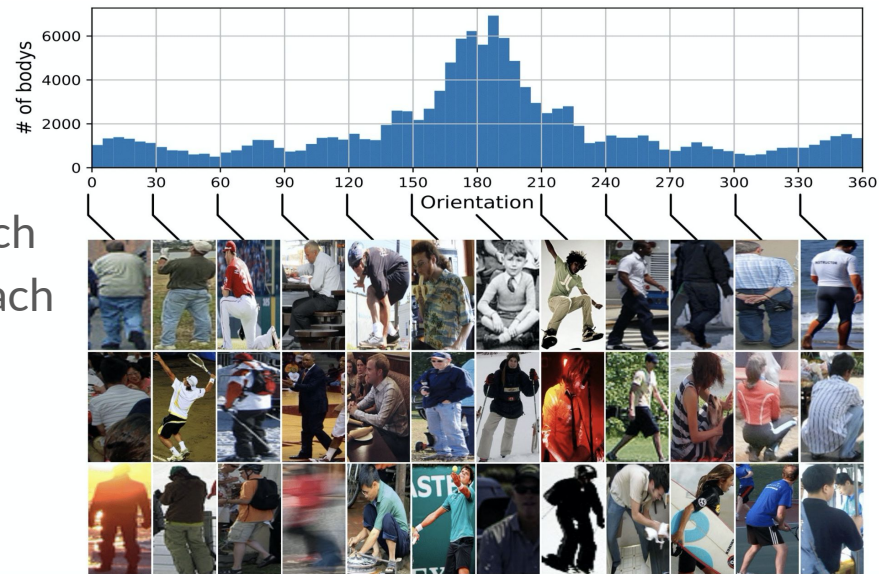
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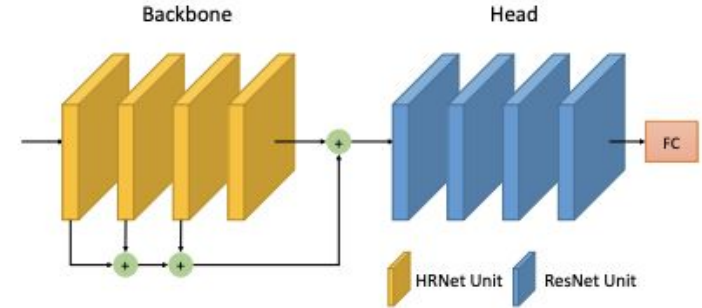
Overview

- MEBOW Architecture Testing Approach
- MEBOW Architecture Training Approach
- ResNet Training Approach
- Pre-Processing Impacts/Future Work
- Results



Provided Model Testing

- Model Testing
 - Applied preprocessing method to both train and test dataset
 - Retrained provided model with each of the preprocessing datasets
 - Validated model on testing dataset





Provided Model Training

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=0}^{71} (p_i - \phi(i, \sigma))^2$$

Loss function

$$\phi(i, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)\sigma}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\min(|i-l_{gt}|, 72-|i-l_{gt}|))^2}$$

"Circular" Gaussian Probability



ResNet Training Approach

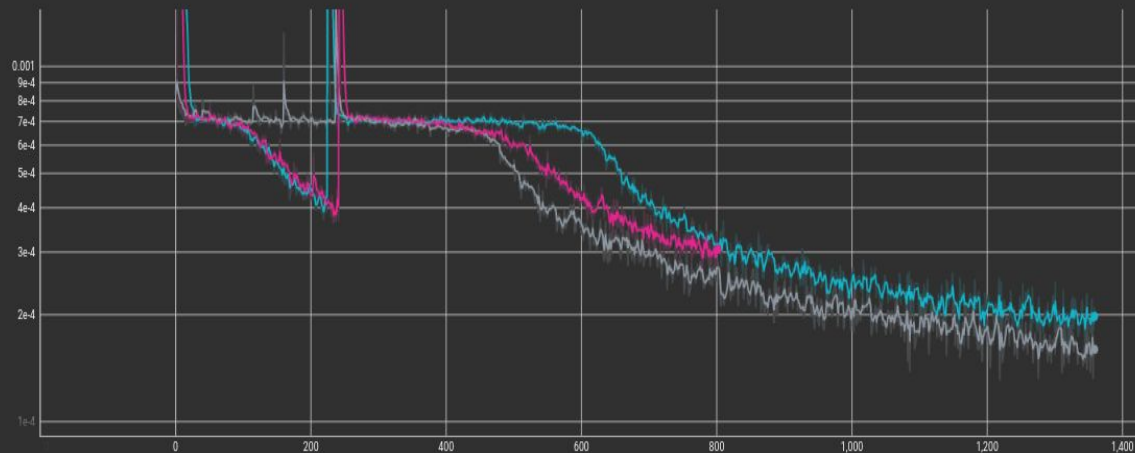
- Implemented ResNet50 architecture in Python using PyTorch
- Adapted code from MEBOW repository to train models
- Trained 4 models on:
 1. Dataset
 2. Dataset (w/ histogram equalization)
 3. Dataset (w/ Gaussian blur)
 4. Dataset (w/ unsharp masking)
- ~128k annotations from 55k images
- 80 epochs
- Mean Squared Error (MSE) loss function
- Training on laptop CPU is very slow
- Training on GPUs with Cuda is much faster




$$MSE = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

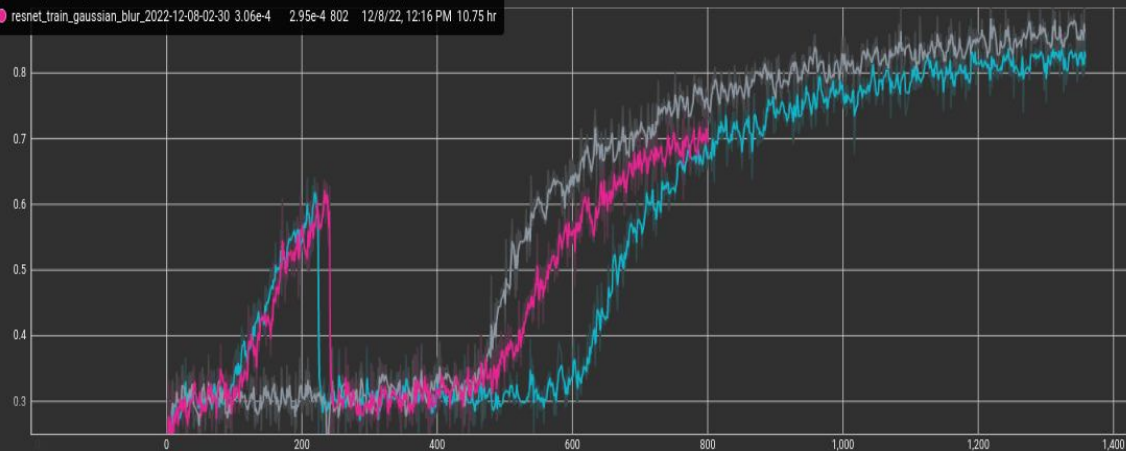
Training Visualized

- Loss over time (Top)
- Training acc. over time (Bottom)
- TensorBoard
- Note the jump around time step 250

train_loss



Run	Smoothed Value	Step	Time	Relative
 resnet_train_2022-12-06-23-59	1.6e-4	1.58e-4	1,359 12/7/22, 8:22 AM	9.363 hr
 resnet_train_eq_2022-12-07-11-32	1.98e-4	2.1e-4	1,359 12/8/22, 12:31 AM	13.98 hr
 resnet_train_gaussian_blur_2022-12-08-02-30	3.06e-4	2.95e-4	802 12/8/22, 12:16 PM	10.75 hr





Preprocessing





Preprocessing Impacts/Future Work

Current Work:

- Overall goal: increase the chance of a correct prediction with image transforms
- Adjust details by boosting contrast or smoothing
- Faster training from histogram equalization (gentlest transform)

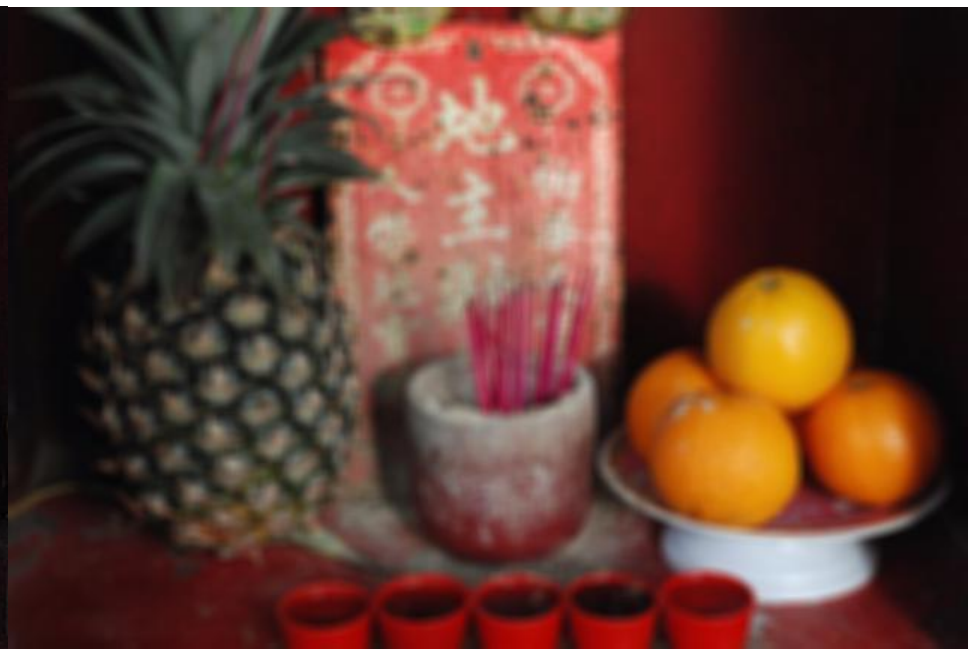
Looking Forward:

- Attempt the same filters with different kernel sizes and distributions
- Try harsher transforms (i.e. edge detection)
- Hyperparameter tuning for the current filters

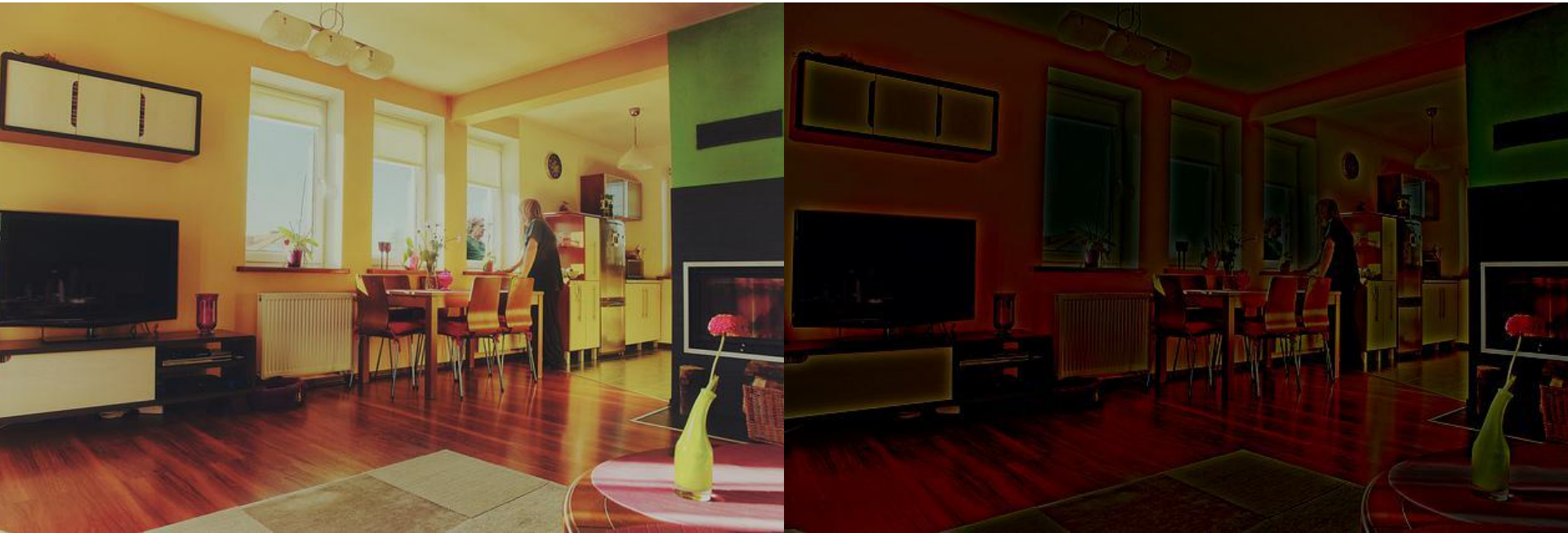
Preprocessing: Histogram Equalization



Preprocessing: Gaussian Blur



Preprocessing: Unsharp Masking



Results

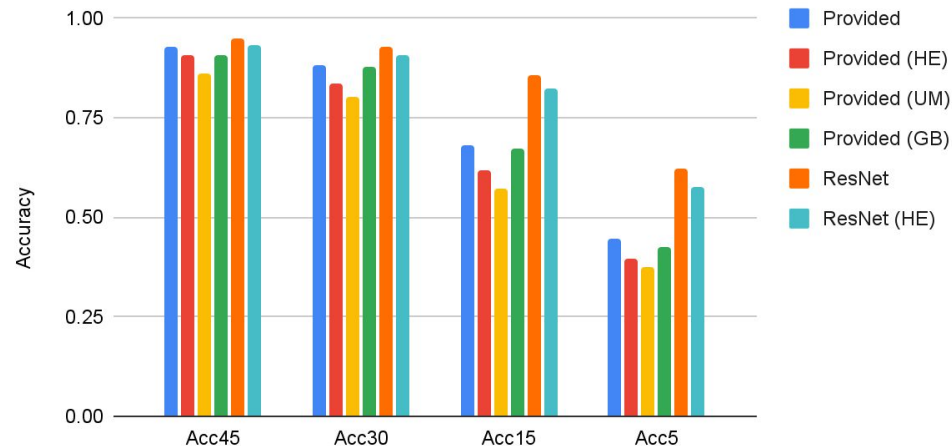
Results suggest:

- Vanilla ResNet model performs best
- Preprocessing not as helpful as we thought it would be

What might further boost performance:

- Hyperparameter tuning
- More training iterations
- A deeper ResNet model

Model Performance on COCO-MEBOW Dataset



Pre-Processing	Model	Acc45	Acc30	Acc15	Acc5
None	ResNet	0.951	0.930	0.856	0.622
	Provided	0.928	0.884	0.680	0.447
Histogram Equalization	ResNet	0.931	0.906	0.822	0.576
	Provided	0.908	0.835	0.620	0.394
Gaussian Blur	ResNet				
	Provided	0.909	0.879	0.672	0.425
Unsharp Masking	ResNet				
	Provided	0.863	0.803	0.572	0.373



ResNet vs. Provided

In the MEBOW paper, the authors note that they tested ResNet but found their HRNet+Head model performed better

Our results suggest ResNet performs better. This could potentially be due to the difference in loss functions

Our results do not suggest the same accuracies for the HRNet+Head model

Architecture	σ	MAE	Acc.-5°	Acc.-15°	Acc.-30°
ResNet-50	4.0	10.465	66.9	88.3	94.6
ResNet-101	4.0	10.331	67.8	88.2	94.7
HRNet+Head	1.0	8.579	69.3	89.6	96.4
	2.0	8.529	69.6	91.0	96.6
	3.0	8.427	69.3	90.6	96.7
	4.0	8.393	68.6	90.7	96.9
	6.0	8.556	68.2	90.9	96.7
	8.0	8.865	66.5	90.1	96.6

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