Building a Convolutional Neural Network from Scratch Using Numpy

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Development Process



Research



Planning



Modular Development



Assemble and Test

Training a Neural Network

- 1. Sample data
- 2. Compute forward calculations and calculate loss
- 3. Compute backward derivative calculations
- 4. Update gradients
- 5. Repeat

Getting a Neural Network to Converge

...have enough data

...have enough compute

...use appropriate activation functions

...choose the right architecture

...initialize weights properly

...choose good hyperparameters

...preprocess data

...normalize activations

...regularize

...use good optimizer

...wait

CNNs in Theory and in Practice

Theory

CONV => RELU => POOL => FLATTEN => DENSE => SOFTMAX

Practice

- → Create layers using Python classes
- → Code math for each layer's forward calculation
- → Store required variables in cache to be used during backprop
- → Code math for each layer's derivative
- → Use up the cached variables during backpropagation

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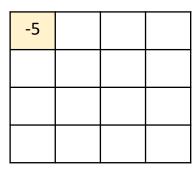
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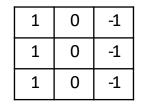
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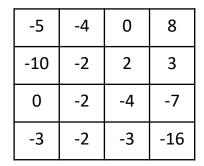
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...and so on until you've covered the input volume

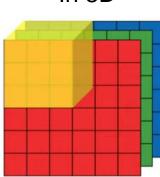
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In 3D



Forward Propagation

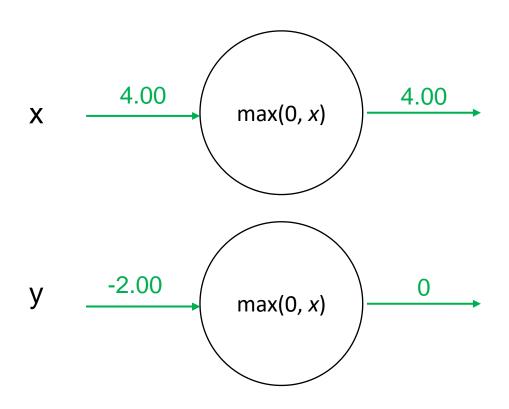
Convolution Output Dimensions | n x n image, f x f filter, padding p, stride s

$$\left[\frac{n+2p-f}{s}+1\right] \times \left[\frac{n+2p-f}{s}+1\right] \times \text{ num_filters}$$

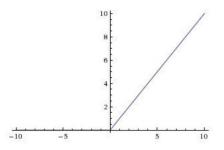
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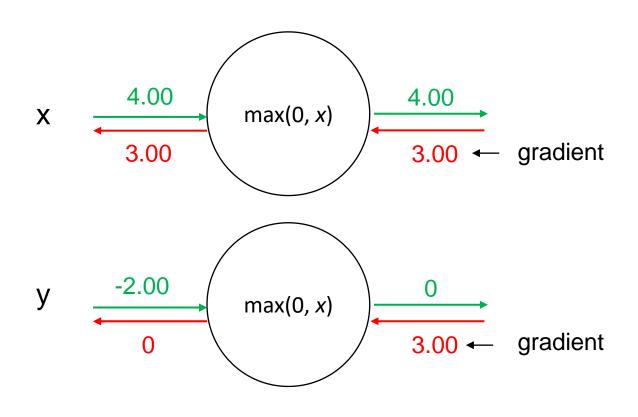
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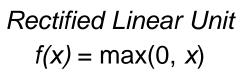


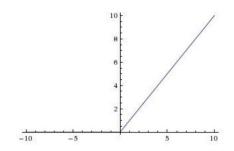
Rectified Linear Unit $f(x) = \max(0, x)$



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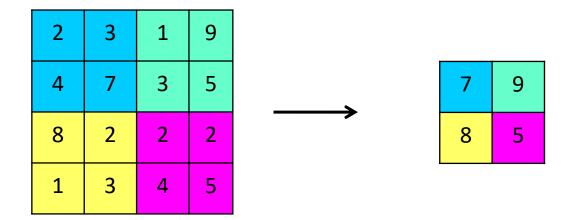
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$$dA * np.where(Z < 0, 0, 1)$$

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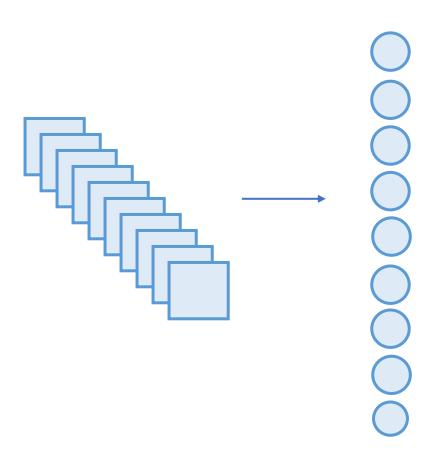
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Backward Propagation

Create Boolean mask of max value to determine where gradients flow

0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0
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Flattening Required Before Dense Layers



Forward Propagation

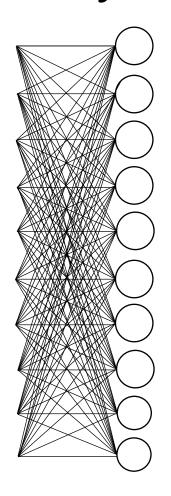
Z.reshape(-1, shape[0]

Backward Propagation

 $Z = Z \cdot T$

Z.reshape(shape)

Dense Layers in CNNs are Typical Fully-Connected Layers



Forward Propagation

Output values of given layer L:

$$Z^{[L]} = W^{[L]}A^{[L-1]} + B^{[L]}$$

Backward Propagation

dW = np.dot(dA, X.T) / batch_size
db = np.sum(dA, axis=1, keepdims=True)

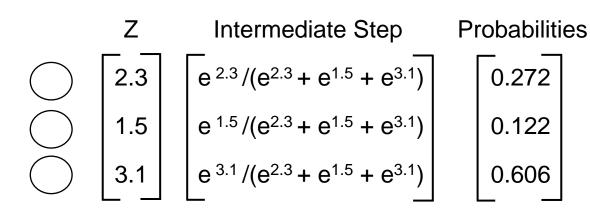
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^{*} The last dense layer must have same number of units as you have classes

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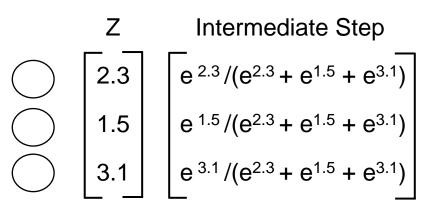
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$$\frac{e_k^s}{\sum_j e_j^s}$$

Forward Propagation

Backward Propagation

$$dA * Z * (1 - Z)$$

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Loss for one example:

Cost over training set:

$$L_i = -log \frac{e_{y_i}^s}{\sum_j e_j^s} \qquad \qquad L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L_i$$

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Calculus
$$dZ^{[L]} = \hat{Y} - Y$$

$$= \frac{\partial J}{\partial Z^{[L]}}$$

Now we can kick off backprop

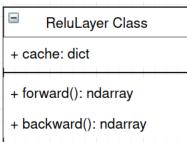
Partial derivative of cost function with respect to Z^[L]

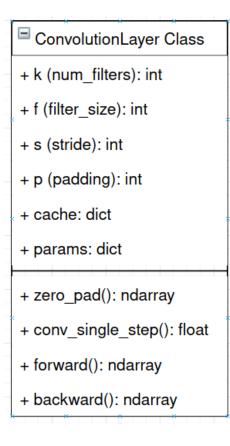
Example Forward and Backward Loop

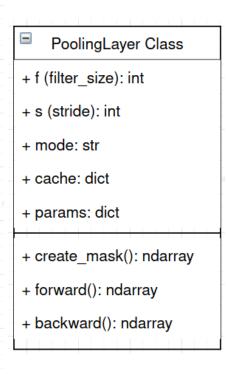
Layer	Input Shape	Output Shape
Convolution Forward f=3, f_size=3, p=1, s=1, m=256	(256, 32, 32, 3)	(256, 32, 32, 3)
Pooling Forward f_size=2, s=2	(256, 32, 32, 3)	(256, 16, 16, 3)
Flatten Forward	(256, 16, 16, 3)	(768, 256)
Dense Forward	(768, 256)	(10, 256)
Softmax Forward	(10, 256)	(10, 256)
Softmax Backward	(10, 256)	(10, 256)
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Pooling Backward	(256, 16, 16, 3)	(256, 32, 32, 3)
Convolution Backward	(256, 32, 32, 3)	(256, 32, 32, 3)

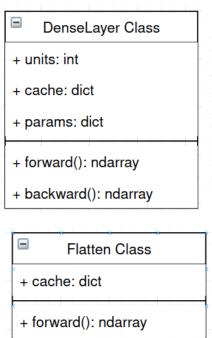
Python Package Diagrams



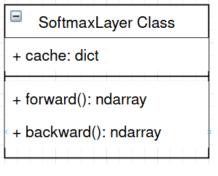


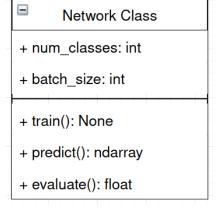






+ backward(): ndarray





CNN Library Status

- Model trains!
- Some bugs with scaling
- Running slowly on CPU
- Next Steps
 - Debug scaling issue
 - Publish to PyPi
- Future
 - Build out optimizers as class
 - Regularization, Batch Normalization layers
 - Port to Numba to leverage GPUs
 - Generalize to other classification problems

```
# Import the required modules.
from hive_ml.layers.activation import ReluLayer
from hive_ml.layers.convolution import ConvolutionLayer
from hive_ml.layers.pooling import PoolLayer
from hive_ml.layers.flatten import Flatten
from hive_ml.layers.dense import DenseLayer
from hive_ml.layers.loss import SoftmaxLayer
from hive_ml.network import Model
```

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# Instantiate a model.
model = Model(
    ConvolutionLayer(filters=3, filter_size=3, padding=1, stride=1),
    ReluLayer(),
    PoolLayer(filter_size=2, stride=2, mode='max'),
    Flatten(),
    DenseLayer(units=100),
    ReluLayer(),
    DenseLayer(units=10),
    SoftmaxLayer()
)
```

```
# Train the model.
model.train(X_train, y_train, 0.003, batch_size=64, epochs=1)
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Demo