

# Combination of Hyperband and Bayesian Optimization for Hyperparameter Optimization in Deep Learning

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# Introduction

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- Hyperparameter optimization
  - Finding particular hyperparameters that optimizes some evaluation criterion, e.g., loss on a validation set
- Hyperband algorithm
  - Allocate more budget(time) to more promising hyperparameter settings
  - Early-stopping strategy
- Limitation of Hyperband
  - Treats all hyperparameter points as being independent from each other
    - Hyperparameter space is usually smooth

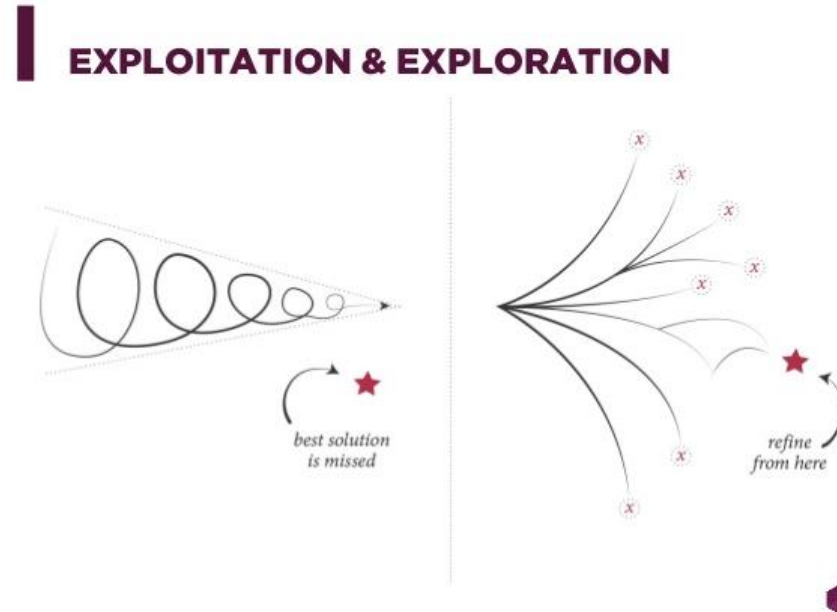
# Introduction (Cont'd)

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- Bayesian Optimization
  - Utilize the information of previous trial points
  - Balances between exploitation and exploration
  - Allocates computational budget uniformly, which causes efficiency issues
- Propose to combine Hyperband algorithm and Bayesian optimization
  - Fully utilize what we learned through history and focus our attention on really promising ones to avoid wasting times

# Background

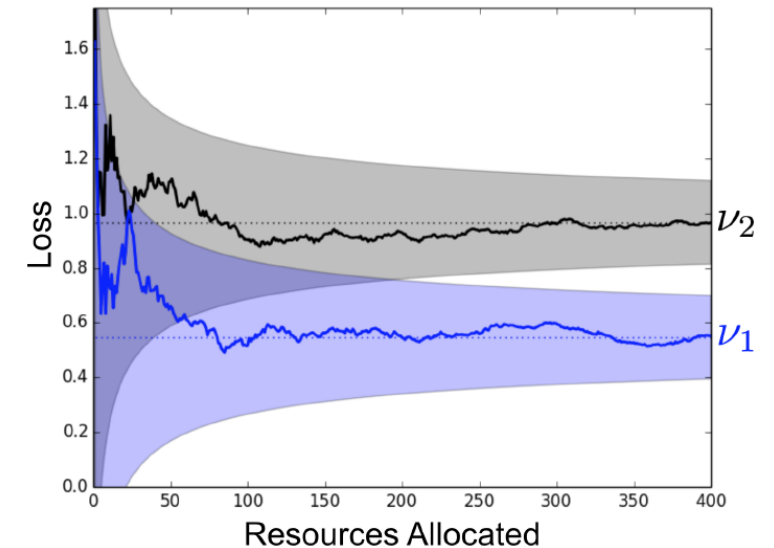
- Optimization : Exploitation vs. Exploration
  - Exploitation : choose the best point until now
  - Exploration : choose a new point to get more information
  - trade-off relations : the proper control of these two behaviors is core



# Background (Cont'd)

- Hyperband Algorithm
  - Allocate more resources to more promising hyperparameter configurations
  - More resources allocate, more you can clearly determine the final loss using intermediate loss

- (1) Initialize  $n$  trial points
  - (2) uniformly allocates a budget to each trial points
  - (3) Evaluate each performance
  - (4) Remove worse points from the set
- (5) Repeat (2), (3), (4) until one point remains
- (6) Update  $n$ ,  $r$  and go (1)



# Background (Cont'd)

- Hyperband Algorithm

- $R$  : maximum amount of resource(training time) that can be allocated to a single configuration
- $\eta$  : percentage of configurations discarded at each step

Algorithm 1: HYPERBAND algorithm for hyperparameter optimization.

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input      :  $R, \eta$  (default  $\eta = 3$ )
initialization:  $s_{\max} = \lfloor \log_{\eta}(R) \rfloor, B = (s_{\max} + 1)R$ 
1 for  $s \in \{s_{\max}, s_{\max} - 1, \dots, 0\}$  do
2    $n = \lceil \frac{B \eta^s}{R(s+1)} \rceil, \quad r = R\eta^{-s}$ 
   // begin SUCCESSIVEHALVING with  $(n, r)$  inner loop
3    $T = \text{get\_hyperparameter\_configuration}(n)$ 
4   for  $i \in \{0, \dots, s\}$  do
5      $n_i = \lfloor n\eta^{-i} \rfloor$ 
6      $r_i = r\eta^i$ 
7      $L = \{\text{run\_then\_return\_val\_loss}(t, r_i) : t \in T\}$ 
8      $T = \text{top\_k}(T, L, \lfloor n_i/\eta \rfloor)$ 
9   end
10 end
11 return Configuration with the smallest intermediate loss seen so far.
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[Example]  $R = 81, \eta = 3$

- $s_{\max} = \lfloor \log_3 81 \rfloor = 4$
- $B = (s_{\max} + 1)R = 5 \cdot 81$

$s=4$ )

- $n = \lceil \frac{5 \cdot 81 \cdot 3^4}{81 \cdot 5} \rceil = 81, r = 81 \cdot 3^{-4} = 1$
- get 81 configurations
- Evaluate, remove with 1/3

$s=3$ )

- $n = \lceil \frac{5 \cdot 81 \cdot 3^3}{81 \cdot 4} \rceil = 34, r = 81 \cdot 3^{-3} = 3$
- get 34 configurations
- Evaluate, remove with 1/3

# Background (Cont'd)

- Bayesian Optimization
  - Approximate expensive function  $f$  using a probabilistic surrogate model
  - (1) Samples next trial point( $x_{t+1}$ ) according to current surrogate model
  - (2) Evaluate  $f(x_{t+1})$
  - (3) Update surrogate model based on new data point ( $x_{t+1}, f(x_{t+1})$ )
  - (4) Go to (1) and repeat

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## Algorithm 2 Bayesian optimization

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1: initialization:  $D_0 = \emptyset$ 
2: for  $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$  do
3:    $x_{t+1} = \operatorname{argmax}_x \mu(x|D_t)$ 
4:   Evaluate  $f(x_{t+1})$ 
5:    $D_{t+1} = D_t \cup \{(x_{t+1}, f(x_{t+1}))\}$ 
6:   Update probabilistic surrogate model using  $D_{t+1}$ 
    
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acquisition function : Expected Improvement (EI)  
 $\mu(x|D_t) = \mathbb{E}(\max\{0, f_{t+1}(x) - f(x^+)\} | D_t)$

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# Proposed Method

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- Limitation of Hyperband and Bayesian Optimization
  - Hyperband : It fails to utilize the **information of history**
  - Bayesian optimization : Each point is allocated **sufficient resources**
- Two methods are perfectly complementary to each other
  - Proposed combination of HB and BO



# Proposed Method (Cont'd)

- Combination of Hyperband and Bayesian Optimization

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## Algorithm 3 Combination of Hyperband and Bayesian optimization

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**input:** maximum amount of resource that can be allocated to a single hyperparameter configuration

$R$ , and proportion controller  $\eta$

**output:** one hyperparameter configuration

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1: initialization:  $s_{max} = \lfloor \log_{\eta}(R) \rfloor$ ,  $B = (s_{max} + 1)R$ 
2: for  $s \in \{s_{max}, s_{max} - 1, \dots, 0\}$  do
3:    $n = \left\lceil \frac{B}{R} \frac{\eta^s}{(s+1)} \right\rceil$ ,  $r = R\eta^{-s}$ 
4:   for  $i \in 0, \dots, s$  do
5:      $n_i = \lfloor n\eta^{-i} \rfloor$ 
6:      $r_i = r\eta^i$ 
7:     if  $i == 0$  then
8:        $X = \emptyset$ ,  $D_0 = \emptyset$ 
9:       for  $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n_i\}$  do
10:         $x_{t+1} = \operatorname{argmax}_x \mu(x|D_t)$ 
11:         $f(x_{t+1}) = \operatorname{run\_then\_return\_obj\_val}(x, r_i)$ 
12:         $X = X \cup \{x_{t+1}\}$ 
13:         $D_{t+1} = D_t \cup \{(x_{t+1}, f(x_{t+1}))\}$ 
14:        Update probabilistic surrogate model using  $D_{t+1}$ 
15:     else
16:        $F = \{ \operatorname{run\_then\_return\_obj\_val}(x, r_i) : x \in X \}$ 
17:        $X = \operatorname{top\_k}(X, F, \lfloor n_i/\eta \rfloor)$ 
return configuration with the best objective function value

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# Proposed Method (Cont'd)

- Combination of Hyperband and Bayesian Optimization

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Hyperband

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Bayesian Optimization

Proposed Method

# Proposed Method (Cont'd)

## • Combination of Hyperband and Bayesian Optimization

[Example]  $R = 27, \eta = 3$

-  $s_{max} = \lfloor \log_3 27 \rfloor = 3, B = (s_{max} + 1)R = 4 \cdot 81$

$s=3$ )

-  $n = \lfloor \frac{4 \cdot 81}{81} \frac{3^3}{4} \rfloor = 27, r = 27 \cdot 3^{(-3)} = 1$

### ① $i=0$ : Bayesian Optimization

-  $n_0=27, r_0=1$

- With BO, 27 configurations (ran with 1 resource)

### ② $i=1$ : Hyperband

-  $n_1=9, r_1=3$

- Run : 27 configurations + 3 resources

- Extract 9 configurations (ran with 3 resource)

### ③ $i=2$ : Hyperband

- Run : 9 configurations + 9 resources

- Extract 3 configurations (ran with 9 resources)

### ④ $i=3$ : Hyperband

- Run : 3 configurations + 27 resources

- Extract 1 configuration (ran with 1 resource)

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$s=2$ ) ...

# Experiments

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- Two experiments
  - Choose TPE as the Bayesian optimization part
    - GP : model  $p(y|x)$   $\leftrightarrow$  TPE : model  $p(x|y)$  and  $p(y)$
    - due to its supreme performance than GP
  - Named as **Hyperband\_TPE**
    - 3 baselines : Random search, TPE(BO), Hyperband

# Experiments (Cont'd)

## 1. Hyperparameter Optimization

### 1.1. LeNet on MNIST

- 4 hyperparameters : learning rate, batch size, # of filters for 2 conv layers
- Resource : # of training images
  - $R = 81$ ,  $\eta = 3$ , unit of  $R$  : empirically settings

- Result
  - 4 approaches quickly converges
  - simple problems, no sophisticated approach is needed

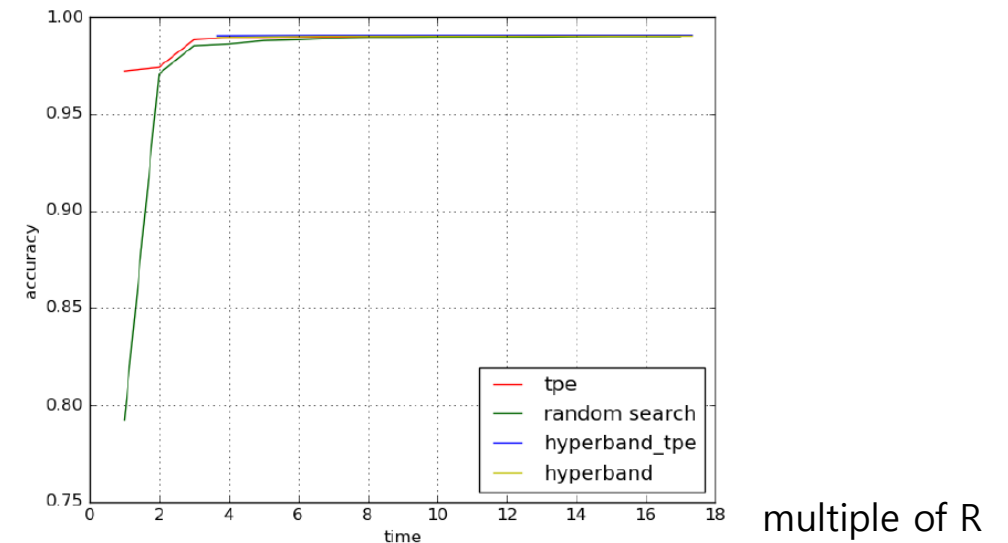


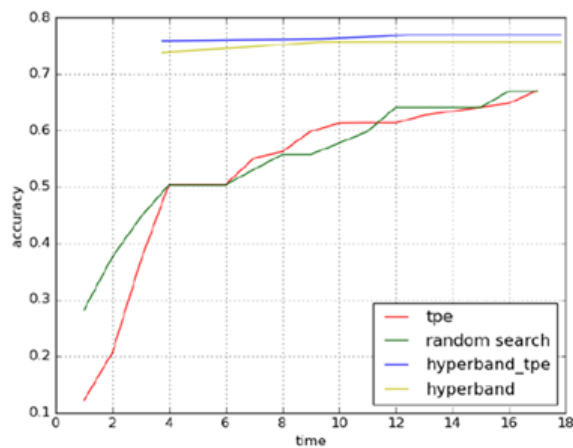
Figure 1: Average accuracy across 10 trials for LeNet on MNIST.

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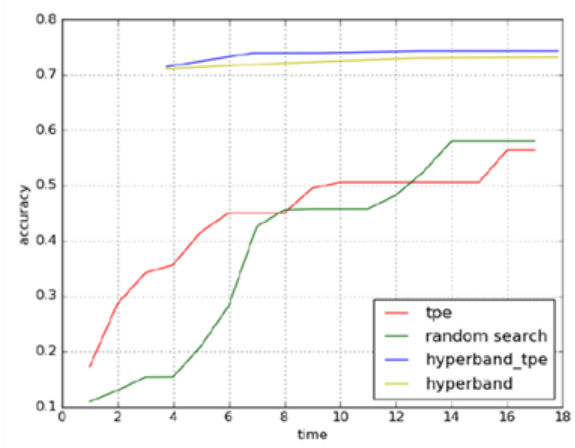
## 1. Hyperparameter Optimization

### 1.2. AlexNet on Cifar10, MRBI, and SVHN

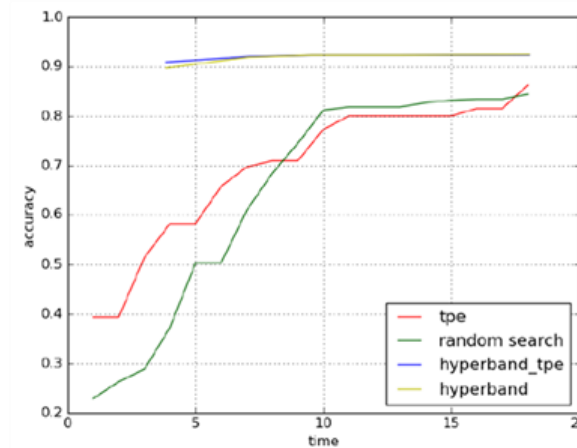
- 8 hyperparameters : learning rate, l2 penalty for 4 layers, ...
- Resource : # of training images
  - $R = 300$ (Cifar10, MRBI) or  $600$ (SVHN),  $\eta = 4$ , unit of  $R$  : empirically settings



(a) Cifar10



(b) MRBI



(c) SVHN

Figure 2: Average accuracy across 10 trials for AlexNet on Cifar10, MRBI, and SVHN.

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# Experiments (Cont'd)

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## 2. Decomposition of SSD

- Find low rank decomposed approximation NN of the Single Shot Detector(SSD)
  - SSD : one of state-of-the-art object detector
  - To balance well between accuracy and speed (on low end GPU)
- Low rank regularization technique via SVD
  - ex) 1 conv layer, N filters( $d \times d$ ), C channels
    - 2 conv layers : (K filters( $d \times 1$ ), C channels) and (N filters( $1 \times d$ ), K channels)
  - K : hyperparameter that controls degree of information compression
    - smaller K, the quicker but less accurate
- Apply above technique on SSD
  - 21 conv layers : 21 of value K : 21 dimensions of hyperparameter settings

# Experiments (Cont'd)

## 2. Decomposition of SSD

- Dataset : PASCAL VOC dataset
- Resource : # of training images
  - $R = 2500$ ,  $\eta = 5$ , unit of  $R$  : empirically settings
- objective function :  $\alpha \times map + fps$ 
  - map : accuracy
  - fps : speed
  - $\alpha$  : parameter balancing the map and fps

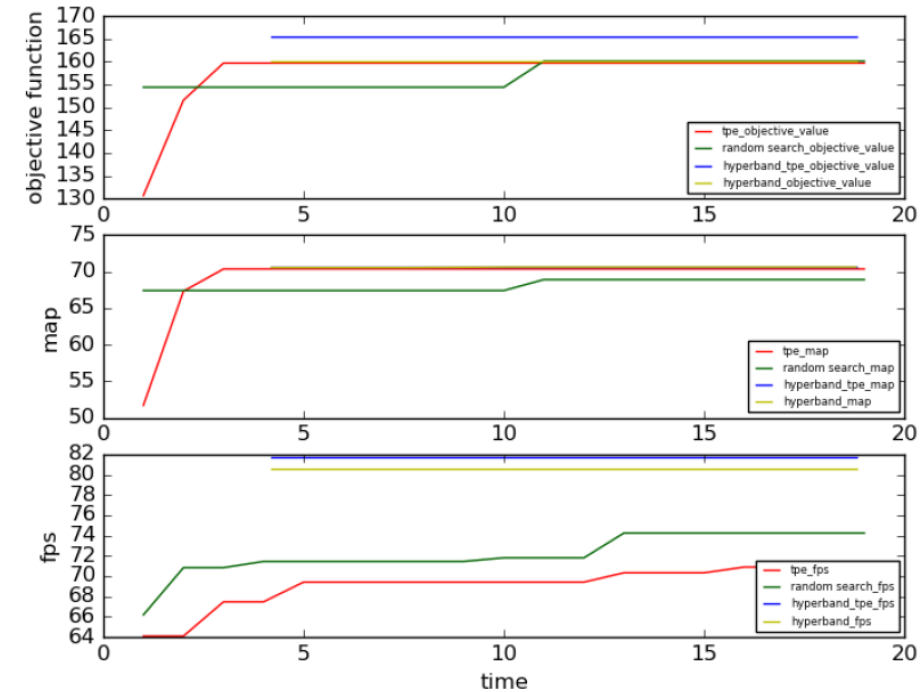


Figure 3: Objective function value, map, and fps for low rank decomposition of SSD.



# Conclusion

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- Proposed novel approach for hyperparameter optimization
  - Combines the strength of both Hyperband and Bayesian optimization
- Combinational approach could find better hyperparameter more quickly than other approaches
  - Outperforms other approaches by a larger margin, as the problem become more complex and difficult