

(Multiparameter) Iterated sums

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Detecting patterns in time series

Detecting patterns in images

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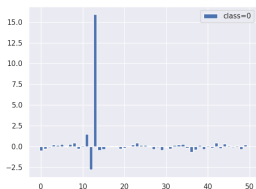


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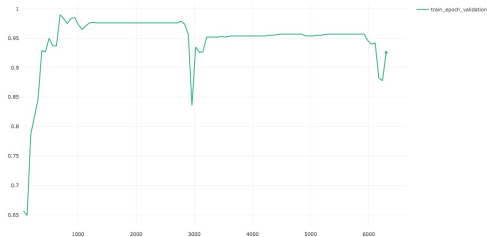


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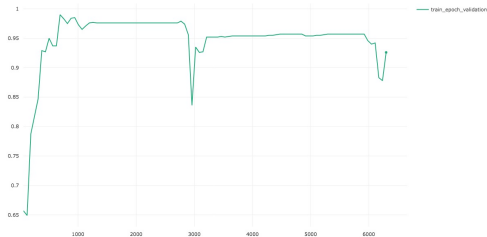
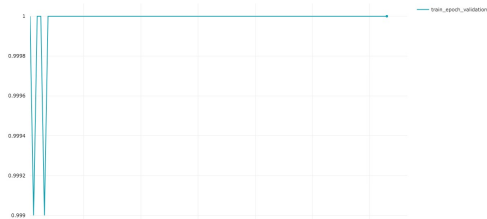


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The data suggest that a CNN should do very well, and indeed



Reminder on Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs)
(stride 1, kernel size 3, maxpooling everything):

Input: $x_i, i = 1, \dots, N$

Output:

$$\max_{i=1, \dots, N-3} \text{ReLU}(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_i + \alpha_2 x_{i+1} + \alpha_3 x_{i+2})$$

or more generally

$$\max_{i=1, \dots, N-3} \phi(x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}).$$

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/dtp0rwghlj6vwe6/1D-consecutive.gif?dl=0>

The advantage of the **inductive bias** of CNNs on this problem becomes apparent when increasing variance (here = 1.0)



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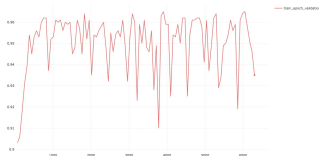


Fig: CNN (Params: 68)

Toy example 'Nonconsecutive'

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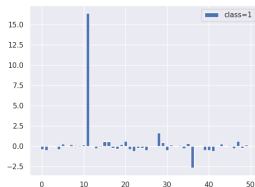


Fig: Class B

Fully connected does alright,

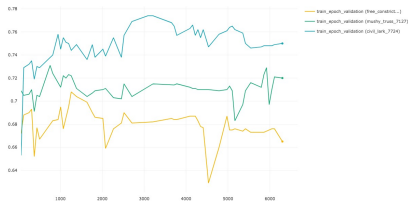


Fig: FCN, N=100 (Params: 13762)

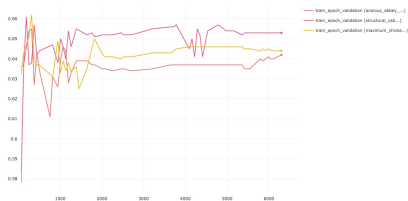


Fig: FCN, N=300 (Params: 13762)

Unsurprisingly the CNN from before completely fails

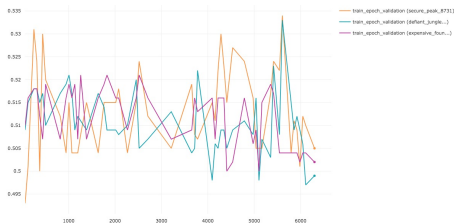


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Can we adapt the CNN architecture to this problem?

We had,

$$\max_{i=1,\dots,N-3} \phi(x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}),$$

which could only detect consecutive patterns.

We want to detect the pattern at any three ordered time points ,
so we are lead to

$$\max_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq N} \phi(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}).$$

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/plg7n4sc5bvvh1/1D-nonconsecutive.gif?dl=0>

Conceptually: ✓

Algorithmically: this involves $\mathcal{O}\left(\binom{N}{3}\right)$ operations ⚡

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Can be calculated as follows. First

$$Q_{i_2} := \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2} z_{i_1} \quad \forall 1 \leq i_2 \leq N,$$

at cost $\mathcal{O}(N)$. Then

$$P_{i_3} := \sum_{1 \leq i_2 < i_3} Q_{i_2} z_{i_2} \quad \forall 1 \leq i_3 \leq N,$$

at cost $\mathcal{O}(N)$. And then the final sum, also at cost $\mathcal{O}(N)$, giving a total cost of $\mathcal{O}(3N) = \mathcal{O}(N)$, instead of $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$!

Recap: we calculated

$$\sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq N} z_{i_1} z_{i_2} z_{i_3}.$$

with ostensibly $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$ complexity in $\mathcal{O}(N)$ time. We used:
associativity and distributivity.

We were lead here by

$$\max_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq N} \phi(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}). \quad (*)$$

First, a negative result on that

Proposition

There are functions ϕ such that $()$ has true cost $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$.*

But, $(\max, +)$ forms a commutative semiring (associative + distributive). Therefore

$$\max_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < i_3 \leq N} (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_{i_1} + \alpha_2 x_{i_2} + \alpha_3 x_{i_3}),$$

is calculable with cost $\mathcal{O}(N)$.

Corollary (DEFT '20)

Let $(\mathbb{S}, \oplus_{\mathbb{S}}, \odot_{\mathbb{S}}, \mathbf{0}_{\mathbb{S}}, \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{S}})$ be a commutative semiring. Then

$$\bigoplus_{\mathbb{S}}_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq N} z_{i_1}^{\odot_{\mathbb{S}} \alpha_1} \odot_{\mathbb{S}} \dots \odot_{\mathbb{S}} z_{i_k}^{\odot_{\mathbb{S}} \alpha_k},$$

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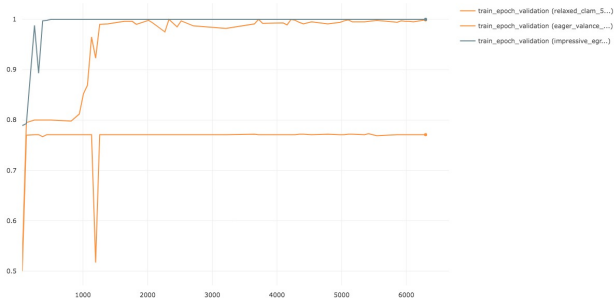


Fig: ISS (Params: 342)

Examples

- Over the ring \mathbb{R}

$$\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} z_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots z_{i_k}^{\alpha_k},$$

\leadsto iterated-sums signature (quasisymmetric functions)

This has a long history.

- Graham '13 “Sparse arrays of signatures for ...”.
- [Lyons, Ni, Oberhauser '14 “A feature set for streams ...”](#)
- various works by L Jin et al '15 on Chinese character recognition.
- [Kiraly, Oberhauser '16 “Kernels for sequentially ordered data”](#).
- [Lyons, Oberhauser '17 “Sketching the order of events”](#).
- D '13, D, Reizenstein '19 on invariant features.
- D, Ebrahimi-Fard, Tapia '19 “Time warping invariants”.
- [Kidger, Bonnier, Arribas, Salvi, Lyons '19 “Deep Signature Transforms”](#).
- [Toth, Bonnier, Oberhauser '20 “Seq2Tens”](#).

In these works it progressively emerged that it is helpful to learn the signature-type features.

Paraphrasing

$$\rightsquigarrow \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} f_{\theta_1}(z_{i_1}) \cdot \dots \cdot f_{\theta_k}(z_{i_k}).$$

with $f_{\theta} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

We propose to boil this down to the bare minimum needed, namely

distributivity and associativity,

to arrive at a richer set of features.

$$\rightsquigarrow \bigoplus_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} f_{\theta_1}(z_{i_1}) \odot_s \dots \odot_s f_{\theta_k}(z_{i_k}),$$

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Examples

- Over the arctic semiring

$$\max_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} \{ \alpha_1 \cdot z_{i_1} + \dots + \alpha_k \cdot z_{i_k} \}$$

\rightsquigarrow arctic-sums signature

(arctic quasisymmetric expressions [DEFT '20])

Leaving the strict setting of arctic-sums, we can do a learnable version:

$$\rightsquigarrow \max_{i_1 < i_2 < i_3} \left\{ f_{\theta_1}(z_{i_1}) + f_{\theta_2}(z_{i_2}) + f_{\theta_3}(z_{i_3}) \right\},$$

Summary

Instead of CNNs

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we 'scan' over all ordered time points

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And we can do so in linear time .

Algebraic setting

For $z_1, z_2, \dots \in \mathbb{S}$, $s < t$, we define a collection of values in \mathbb{S} , indexed by words in the alphabet \mathbb{N} ,

$$\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), w \rangle := \bigoplus_{s < i_1 < \dots < i_k < t+1}^{\mathbb{S}} z_{i_1}^{\odot_s w_1} \odot_s \dots \odot_s z_{i_k}^{\odot_s w_k}.$$

For example

$$\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), 537 \rangle = \bigoplus_{s < i_1 < \dots < i_3 < t+1}^{\mathbb{S}} z_{i_1}^{\odot_s 5} \odot_s z_{i_2}^{\odot_s 3} \odot_s z_{i_3}^{\odot_s 7}$$

which in min-plus equals

$$\min_{s < i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < t+1} \{5 \cdot z_{i_1} + 3 \cdot z_{i_2} + 7 \cdot z_{i_3}\}.$$

Recall: $z_1, z_2, \dots \in \mathbb{S}$; $\left\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), 537 \right\rangle := \bigoplus_{s < i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < t+1} z_{i_1}^{\odot_s 5} \odot_s z_{i_2}^{\odot_s 3} \odot_s z_{i_3}^{\odot_s 7}.$

$\text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z)$ is an element of $\mathbb{S}\langle\langle\mathbb{N}\rangle\rangle$, the space of formal, infinite sums of words (in the alphabet \mathbb{N}) with coefficients in \mathbb{S} :

$$\text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z) = \sum_w c_w w,$$

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Recall: $z_1, z_2, \dots \in \mathbb{S}; \left\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), \textcolor{blue}{537} \right\rangle := \bigoplus_{s < i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < t+1} z_{i_1}^{\odot_s \textcolor{blue}{5}} \odot_s z_{i_2}^{\odot_s \textcolor{blue}{3}} \odot_s z_{i_3}^{\odot_s \textcolor{blue}{7}}.$

Theorem (DEFT '20)

1 (Quasi-shuffle identity)

$$\left\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), \textcolor{blue}{w} \right\rangle \odot_s \left\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), \textcolor{blue}{u} \right\rangle = \left\langle \text{ISS}_{s,t}^{\mathbb{S}}(z), \textcolor{blue}{w} \star \textcolor{blue}{u} \right\rangle$$

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Concatenation:

$$32 \cdot 4 = 324$$

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A CNN works like this:

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We want:

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/9c3fs7ycocdb0a2/
2D-nonconsecutive.gif?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/9c3fs7ycocdb0a2/2D-nonconsecutive.gif?dl=0)

Multiparameter iterated sums

For example

$$\left\langle \text{ISS}(z), \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \sum_{i_1 < i_2; j_1 < j_2} z_{i_1, j_1}^5 z_{i_1, j_2}^1 z_{i_2, j_1}^0 z_{i_2, j_2}^3,$$

or over $(\max, +)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle \text{ISS}(z), \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ &= \max_{i_1 < i_2; j_1 < j_2} (5z_{i_1, j_1} + 1z_{i_1, j_2} + 0z_{i_2, j_1} + 3z_{i_2, j_2}). \end{aligned}$$

Algebraic setting

- quasi-shuffle structure ✓
- tridendriform structure ✓
- ennea (quadriform) structure ✓
- Chen's identity / efficient calculation (blackboard) ?

Thank you!

Two phd positions this year:

- **May 2024** - Counting permutation and chirotope patterns:
Algorithms, algebra, and applications
- **(October 2024** - AI and Augmented Reality; funding
pending)

Please share with interested students.