BirdNet

Experiments in Classifying Birds

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Introduction

Explore how neural networks are used classification tasks

How we could reduce complexity while maintaining classification accuracy

Data









- Caltech-UCSD Birds-200-2011
- 200 bird species with 11,788 images
- Binary image segmentations and several labeled points



Crested_Auklet_0005_794922.jpg



Data Reduction

What's the minimal amount of the image needed to distinguish between birds?





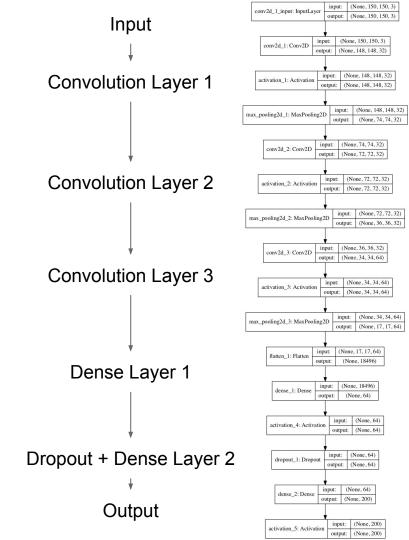


Classifier

Dataset augmented with image jitter

No correct way to organize a neural net

Balance between number of layers and complexity



Results

Model	Testing Accuracy%	Training Time
Baseline	0.50	N/A
Un-segmented images	N/A	Way to long
Segmented images	18.75	2:52:53
Segmented, heads only	7.85	2:22:12

300x300px image input 100 training epochs 50/25/25% train/validation/test split

Challenges

- Bird positions not normalized, couldn't figure out if (x, y) position of the bird learned as a feature
- A saliency test shows a lot of attention given to the 'nape-throat' edge, not desirable

Future Work

- Attribute Classifier
- Ensemble Learning

Thanksl

Any questions?

It's a free-for-owl

https://github.com/glebpro/computervisionproject2018