Deep Neural Network for Speech Emotion Recognition —A Study of Deep Learning—



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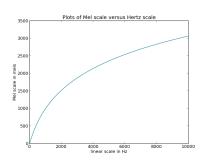
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Mel Frequency Cepstral Features



- short-term power spectrum
- mel-scale approximate human perception
- widely-used in speech recognition tasks
- Transformation between Mel and Hertz scale



$$f_{mel} = 1125 \ln \left(1 + f_{Hz}/700\right)$$
 (1)

$$f_{Hz} = 700 \left(\exp(f_{mel}/1125) - 1 \right)$$
 (2)

Emotion Recognition Approaches



Traditional Approaches

- pre-selected features
- supervised training
- low-level features not appropriate for classification
- shallow structure of classifiers

Deep Learning Approaches

- learning representations from high-dim data
- extracting appropriate features without hand-crafting
- low-level features are used to build high-level features as network gets deeper
- frame-based classfication



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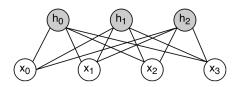
Character



- Generative model
- Undirected graphical model, good at modeling high-dimensioanl data (speech emotion)
- Trained in unsupervised way, only use unlabeled input sequencex for learning.
 - automatically extract useful features from data
 - Find hidden structure (distribution).
 - $\hfill\Box$ Learned features used for prediction or classification
- Potential to be extend to capture temporal information.

Structure





Energy Function: $E_{\theta} = -\mathbf{x^TWh} - \mathbf{b^Tx} - \mathbf{c^Th}$

Joint Distribution: $P^{RBM}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-E_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h})}$

Partition Function: $Z = \sum_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{h}} e^{-E_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{h})}$

Inference

$$P(h_j = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}) = sigmoid(\sum_i x_i W_{ij} + c_j)$$
$$P(x_i = 1 \mid \mathbf{h}) = sigmoid(\sum_i W_{ij} h_j + b_i)$$



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Computing net-activation

$$\underline{z}_{k}^{(l+1)} = \mathbf{W}^{(l)} \underline{a}_{k}^{(l)} + \underline{b}^{(l)} \\
\underline{a}_{k}^{(l+1)} = \underline{\Phi} \left(\underline{z}_{k}^{(l+1)}\right) \\
\underline{\hat{y}}_{k} = \underline{a}_{k}^{(ol)}$$

- Arbitrary non-linear mapping from \underline{x}_k to $\hat{\underline{y}}_k$ possible
- lacktriangle Relation $N\Leftrightarrow \mathsf{Complexity}$
- Deep Architectures $(l \uparrow)$ more efficient than shallow ones $(l \downarrow, N_l \uparrow)$

Determining the parameters



Training objective

$$J(\mathbf{W}, \underline{b}) = \sum_{\forall k} \frac{1}{2} ||\underline{y}_k - \underline{\hat{y}}_k||^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{\forall l} ||\mathbf{W}^{(l)}||_F^2$$
 (3)

$$\mathbf{W}, \underline{b} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{W}, b} J(\mathbf{W}, \underline{b})$$
 (4)

Numerical minimization

- Gradient calculation with Backpropagation
- Stochastic gradient descent
- Limited memory Broyden-Fletcher-Goldfarb-Shanno (L-BFGS)

Problems



- Optimization problem non-convex⇒ getting stuck in poor local minima
- Diffusion of gradients
- Large p small n problem \Rightarrow overfitting

Solutions



Layerwise Pre-training

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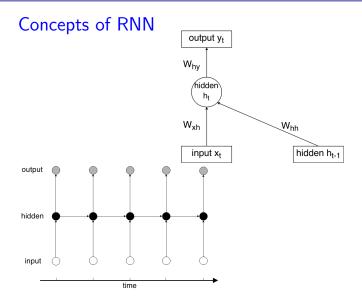


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From RNN to LSTM



Problems with RNN

- lacktriangledown gradient vanishing during backpropagation as time steps increases (>100)
- difficult to capture long-time dependency (which is required in emotion recognition)

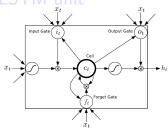
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Long short term memory



S. Hochreiter and J. Schmidhuber, Lovol. 9, pp. 1735-1780, 1997.

LSTM unit



$$i_{t} = \sigma(W_{xi}x_{t} + W_{hi}h_{t-1} + W_{ci}c_{t-1} + b_{i})$$

$$f_{t} = \sigma(W_{xf}x_{t} + W_{hf}h_{t-1} + W_{cf}c_{t-1} + b_{f})$$

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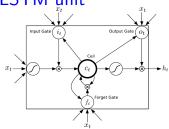
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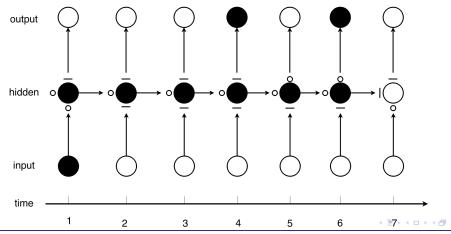
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Features in LSTM

- gates are trained to learn when it shoud be open/closed.
- Constant Error Carousel
- preserve long-time dependency by maintaining gradient over time.





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