COMP 448/548: Medical Image Analysis

Convolutional neural networks

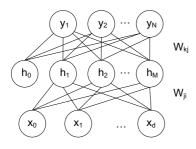
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Multilayer perceptrons

(revisited)

Contain hidden layers



Hidden units h_j 's can be viewed as new "features" obtained by combining x_i 's

A deeper architecture with nonlinear activations is more expressive than a shallow one

In this network

1. Each hidden unit computes its net activation $\sum_{t=0}^{t} \sum_{t=0}^{t} W_{t}$

$$net_j^t = \sum_i x_i^t W_{ji}$$

2. Each hidden unit emits an output that is a nonlinear function (e.g., sigmoid, ReLU) of its activation

$$h_i^t = non-linear-function(net_i^t)$$

3. Each output unit computes its net activation

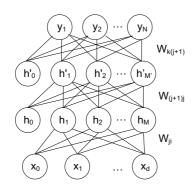
$$net_k^t = \sum_i h_i^t W_{kj}$$

4. Each output units emits an output (using a linear, a sigmoid or a softmax function)

$$y_k^t = output - function(net_k^t)$$

More hidden layers

(revisited)



$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial loss^t(W)}{\partial W_{ji}} = \frac{\partial loss^t(W)}{\partial net_j^t} \cdot \frac{\partial net_j^t}{\partial W_{ji}} \\ &\frac{\partial loss^t(W)}{\partial W_{ji}} = \delta_j^t \cdot x_i^t \\ &\delta_j^t = \sum_{(j+1)} \frac{\partial loss^t(W)}{\partial net_{(j+1)}^t} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{(j+1)}^t}{\partial net_j^t} \\ &\delta_j^t = \left[\sum_{(j+1)} \delta_{(j+1)}^t \cdot W_{(j+1)j}\right] \cdot \sigma'(net_j) \end{split}$$

 δ_j may vanish after repeated multiplication. This makes deep architectures hard to train (when initial weights are not "good" enough)

Approaches for alleviating underfitting and overfitting problems

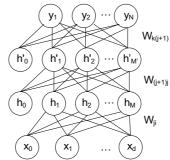
- Better network designs: Sparse connections, weight sharing, convolutional nets, long/short skip connections, activation functions, ...
- Better network training: Regularization, loss function definitions, larger datasets, data augmentation, ...
- Previously, layerwise pretraining (restricted Boltzmann machines, autoencoders)

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Layerwise pretraining

Vanishing gradient problem

- This makes hard to train deep architectures (with many hidden layers) by backpropagation
- When the initial weights are good enough, backpropagation works well
- Layerwise pretraining
 - Restricted Boltzmann machines
 - Autoencoders



$$\frac{\partial loss^{t}(W)}{\partial W_{ji}} = \frac{\partial loss^{t}(W)}{\partial net_{j}^{t}} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{j}^{t}}{\partial W_{ji}}$$

$$\frac{\partial loss^{t}(W)}{\partial W_{ji}} = \delta_{j}^{t} \cdot x_{i}^{t}$$

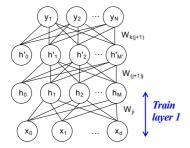
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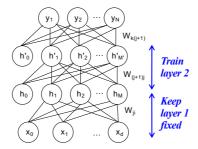
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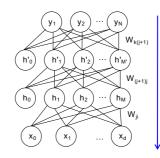
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Layerwise pretraining

- First, train one layer at a time, optimizing P(x)
- lacktriangledown Then, fine-tune weights, optimizing P(y|x) by backpropagation







Fine-tune weights by backpropagation

Restricted Boltzmann machines (RBMs)

RBM is a simple energy-based model

$$p(x,h) = \frac{1}{Z_{\theta}} \exp(-E_{\theta}(x,h))$$

$$E_{\theta}(x,h) = -x^{T} W h - b^{T} x - d^{T} h$$
 It only allows h-x interactions
$$Z_{\theta} = \sum_{(x,h)} \exp(-E_{\theta}(x,h)) \leftarrow normalizer$$

■ Train an RBM optimizing P(x)

The negative phase term is expensive to calculate since it requires sampling (x, h) from the model. **Contrastive divergence** is a faster solution.

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Autoencoders

- They learn to "compress" and "reconstruct" the input data
- Learn the weights to minimize the reconstruction loss

Encoder:
$$h = \sigma(Wx + b)$$

Decoder: $x' = \sigma(W'h + d)$

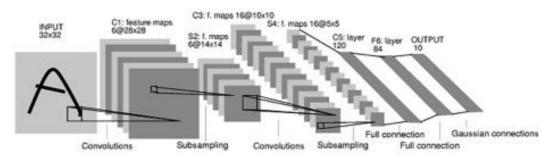
- $loss = \sum_{t} (x^t x'^t)^2$
- This is the same backpropagation for a network with one hidden layer, where x^t is both input and output
- They can be stacked to form a deep neural network
 - Cheaper alternatives to RBMs

Basics of convolutional neural networks

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Convolutional neural networks (CNNs)

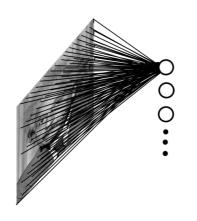
A CNN consists of a number of convolutional and pooling (subsampling)
 layers optionally followed by fully connected layers



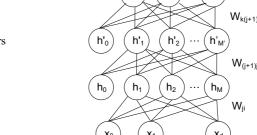
LeNet-5 by LeCun et al., 1998

Fully connected layers

 When the input data is an image, a fully connected layer will produce a huge number of weights (parameters) to be learned



Example: 200x200 image 25K hidden units → ~1B parameters

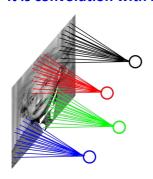


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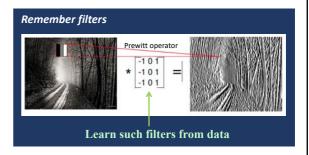
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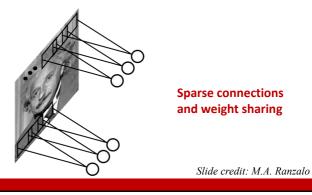
Convolutional layer

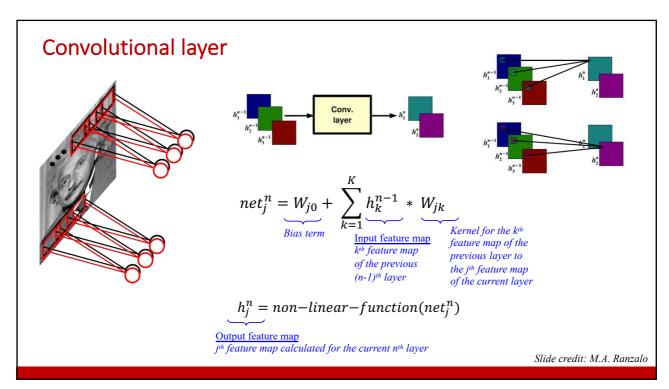
- However, spatial correlation is local and statistics is similar at different locations
- Thus, small kernels are defined and their parameters are shared by all pixels
- It is convolution with learned kernels



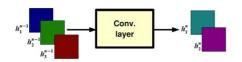
Example: 200x200 image 25K hidden units 10x10 kernels → ~2.5M parameters (instead of 1B parameters)







Convolutional layer

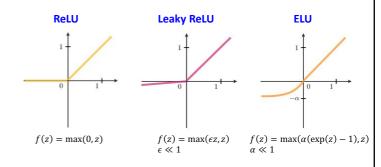


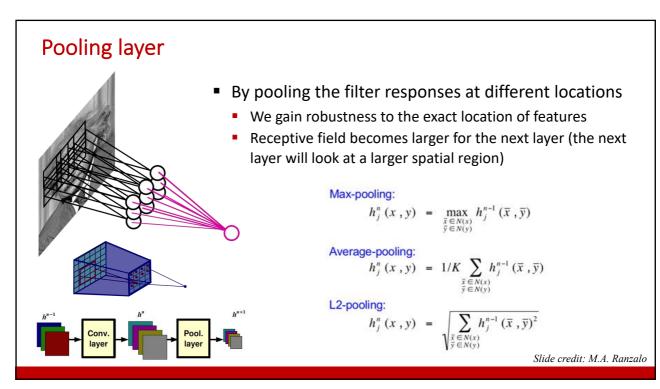
$$net_j^n = W_{j0} + \sum_{k=1}^K h_k^{n-1} * W_{jk}$$

 $h_j^n = non-linear-function(net_j^n) \\$

Choosing the architecture (the number of feature maps, size of kernels, and number of convolutional layers) is task dependent

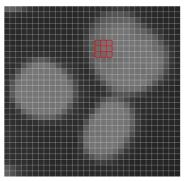
- The rectified linear unit (ReLU) is a commonly used activation function that provides nonlinearity
 - Fast to compute
 - Reduces the likelihood of the gradient to vanish
 - Better sparsity



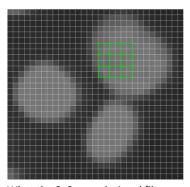


Receptive field

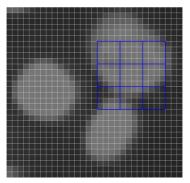
■ It is the region in the input space that a convolution can "see"



What a 3x3 convolutional filter sees



What the 3x3 convolutional filter sees after 2x2 pooling

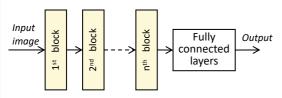


What the 3x3 convolutional filter sees after applying 2x2 pooling twice

Typical design

One block Convolution (at least one) Pooling

Whole system



All layers are differentiable so that standard backpropagation can be used

After one block

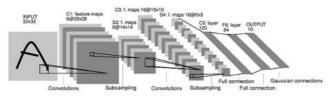
- Number of feature maps is usually increased (conv. layer)
- Spatial resolution is usually decreased (pooling layer and/or stride in conv. layer)
- Receptive field gets larger

After several blocks

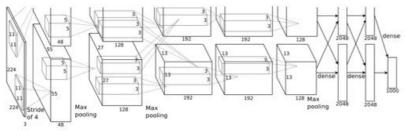
- Spatial resolution is greatly reduced and number of feature maps is large so convolution would not make any sense
- Next layer(s) will consist of fully connected layers (with or without hidden layers)
- Sigmoid and softmax layer is used at the end for binary and multi-class classification, respectively

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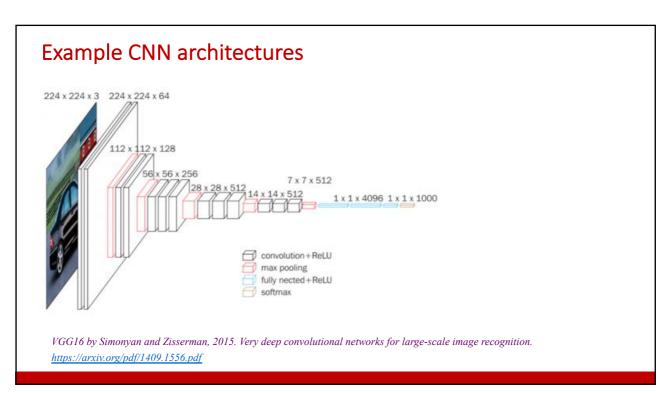
Example CNN architectures

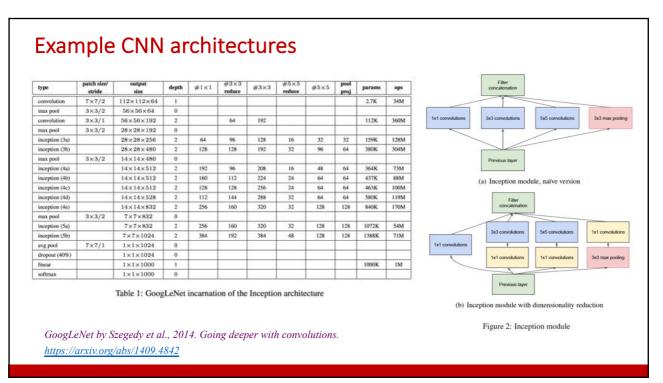


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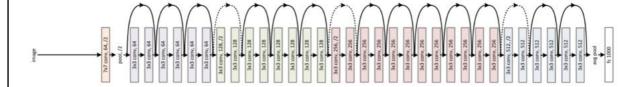


AlexNet by Krizhevsky et al., 2012. ImageNet classification with deep convolutional neural networks. https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/imagenet classification with deep convolutional.pdf





Example CNN architectures



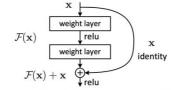


Figure 2. Residual learning: a building block.

ResNet by He et al., 2015. Deep residual learning for image recognition. https://arxiv.org/pdf/1512.03385.pdf

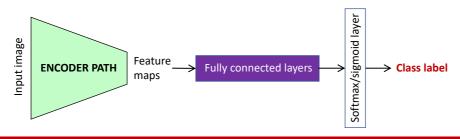
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CNNs for medical image classification

Please check the following survey paper for more about deep learning in medical images and more references. Litjens et al., A survey on deep learning in medical image analysis, Medical Image Analysis, 2017. https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1361841517301135

CNNs for image classification

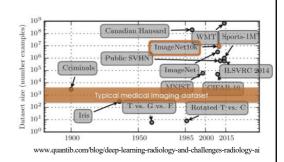
- A CNN compresses an image into a set of feature maps to capture semantic/contextual information from the image
- This compression corresponds to downsampling the image using convolution and pooling layers
- Then it puts fully connected layers on the top of the feature maps to predict a class for the entire image



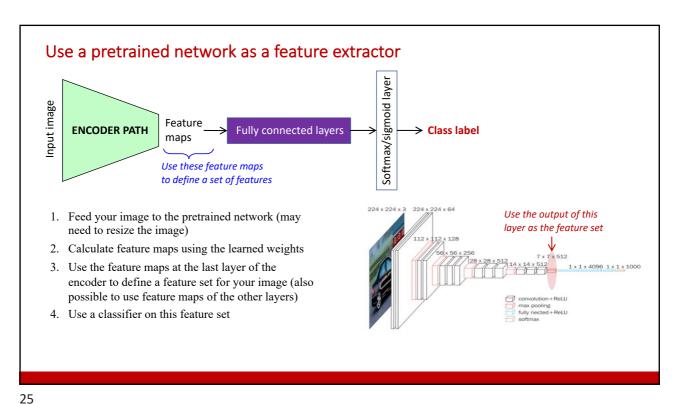
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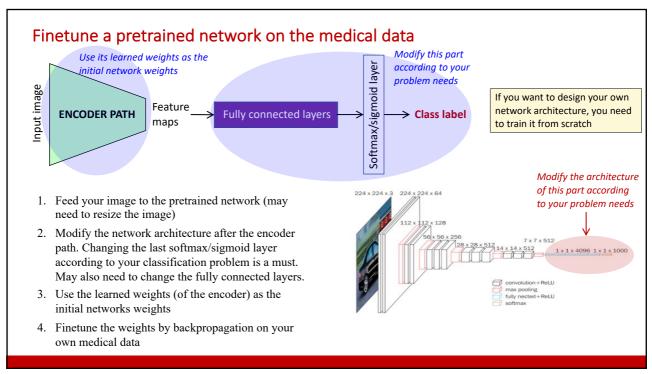
Transfer learning

- Dataset sizes are typically small
- Thus, it is popular to use transfer learning, which employs networks (and thus, their learned weights) previously trained on large datasets

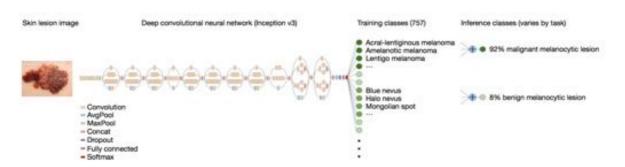


- Two main approaches
 - 1. Use a pretrained network as a feature extractor
 - 2. Finetune a pretrained network on the medical data





Example: CNN for skin cancer classification

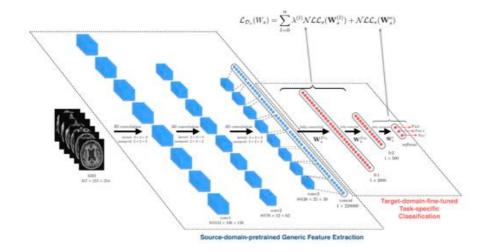


The authors used the Google Inception v3 CNN architecture pretrained on the ImageNet dataset (1.28 million images over 1,000 generic object classes) and finetuned on their own dataset of 129,450 skin lesions. They resized each image to 299x299 pixels to make it compatible with the original dimensions of the Inception v3 network architecture. They defined 757 training classes, for which the probabilities would be accumulated to infer the final inference class.

Esteva et al, 2017. Dermatologist-level classification of skin cancer with deep neural networks. Nature 542, 115–118. https://www.nature.com/articles/nature21056

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Example: 3D CNN for Alzheimer's disease diagnostics



Hosseini-Asl et al., 2016. Alzheimer's disease diagnostics by a deeply supervised adaptable 3D convolutional network. https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.00556

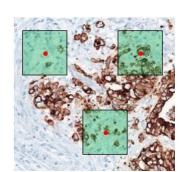
CNNs for object detection and segmentation

Training:

- Small patches are cropped around individual pixels
- Each patch is labeled with the class of the pixel, around which it is cropped
- CNN is trained on these small patches

Detection/segmentation:

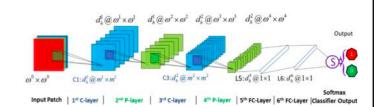
- For an entire (large) image, patches are obtained using a sliding window approach
- These patches are classified by the trained CNN
- Outputs (i.e., posteriors) generated by this CNN are commonly postprocessed

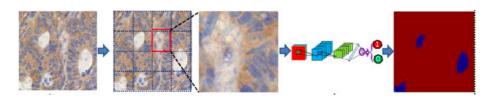


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Example: CNN for histopathological image segmentation

- Slide a window over an image to obtain patches
- Using the trained CNN, classify each patch with either the epithelial or the stromal class





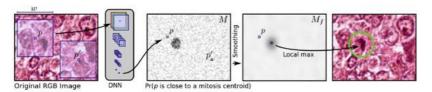
Xu et al., 2016. A deep convolutional neural network for segmenting and classifying epithelial and stromal regions in histopathological images. Neurocomputing (191), 214-223.

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0925231216001004

Example: CNN for mitosis detection

- Slide a window over an image to obtain patches
- Using the trained CNN, obtain the probability of a pixel belonging to a mitotic cell
- Find the local maxima on the smoothed probability map
- 1. Classifying each pixel in a sliding window fashion, used by earlier studies, is expensive as it requires lots of redundant calculations
- 2. Trade-off between localization accuracy and the use of context
 - Larger patches require more max-pooling layers that reduce the localization accuracy
 - Small patches results in seeing only little context

Dense prediction networks, used by recent studies, have greatly improved efficiency and accuracy.



Ciresan et al., 2013. Mitosis detection in breast cancer histology images with deep neural networks. MICCAI. https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-642-40763-5_51

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