Activation Maximization on MNIST

https://github.com/raghakot/keras-vis/blob/master/examples/mnist/activation_maximization.ipynb (https://github.com/raghakot/keras-vis/blob/master/examples/mnist/activation_maximization.ipynb)

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In [1]: from future import print function
        import numpy as np
        import keras
        from keras.datasets import mnist
        from keras.models import Sequential, Model
        from keras.layers import Dense, Dropout, Flatten, Activation, Input
        from keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D
        from keras import backend as K
        batch size = 128
        num_classes = 10
        epochs = 1
        # input image dimensions
        img_rows, img_cols = 28, 28
        # the data, shuffled and split between train and test sets
        (x train, y train), (x test, y test) = mnist.load data()
        if K.image_data_format() == 'channels_first':
            x_train = x_train.reshape(x_train.shape[0], 1, img_rows, img_cols)
            x_test = x_test.reshape(x_test.shape[0], 1, img_rows, img_cols)
            input_shape = (1, img_rows, img_cols)
        else:
            x train = x train.reshape(x train.shape[0], img rows, img cols, 1)
            x_test = x_test.reshape(x_test.shape[0], img_rows, img_cols, 1)
            input shape = (img rows, img cols, 1)
        x_train = x_train.astype('float32')
        x_test = x_test.astype('float32')
        x train /= 255
        x_test /= 255
        print('x_train shape:', x_train.shape)
        print(x_train.shape[0], 'train samples')
        print(x_test.shape[0], 'test samples')
        # convert class vectors to binary class matrices
        y_train = keras.utils.to_categorical(y_train, num_classes)
        y_test = keras.utils.to_categorical(y_test, num_classes)
        model = Sequential()
        model.add(Conv2D(32, kernel_size=(3, 3),
                         activation='relu',
                         input shape=input shape))
        model.add(Conv2D(64, (3, 3), activation='relu'))
        model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool size=(2, 2)))
        model.add(Dropout(0.25))
        model.add(Flatten())
        model.add(Dense(128, activation='relu'))
        model.add(Dropout(0.5))
        model.add(Dense(num_classes, activation='softmax', name='preds'))
        model.compile(loss=keras.losses.categorical crossentropy,
                      optimizer=keras.optimizers.Adam(),
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metrics=['accuracy'])
model.fit(x_train, y_train,
         batch size=batch size,
         epochs=epochs,
         verbose=1,
         validation_data=(x_test, y_test))
score = model.evaluate(x_test, y_test, verbose=0)
print('Test loss:', score[0])
print('Test accuracy:', score[1])
Using TensorFlow backend.
x_train shape: (60000, 28, 28, 1)
60000 train samples
10000 test samples
Train on 60000 samples, validate on 10000 samples
Epoch 1/1
60000/60000 [============= ] - 139s 2ms/step - loss: 0.2495 - a
cc: 0.9229 - val_loss: 0.0486 - val_acc: 0.9843
Test loss: 0.04858853696002625
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Saliency Visualizations

Test accuracy: 0.9843

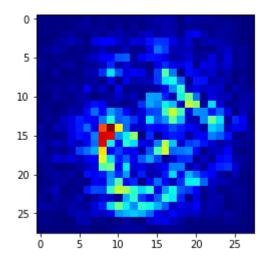
To visualize activation over final dense layer outputs, we need to switch the softmax activation out for linear since gradient of output node will depend on all the other node activations. Doing this in keras is tricky, so we provide utils.apply_modifications to modify network parameters and rebuild the graph.

If this swapping is not done, the results might be suboptimal. We will start by swapping out 'softmax' for 'linear' and compare what happens if we dont do this at the end.

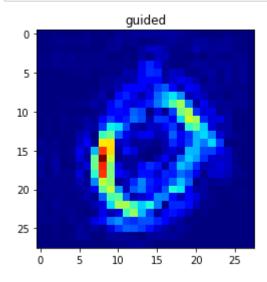
Lets pick an input over which we want to show the attention

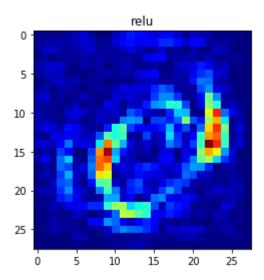
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In [3]: from vis.visualization import visualize saliency
        from vis.utils import utils
        from keras import activations
        from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
        %matplotlib inline
        class idx = 0
        indices = np.where(y_test[:, class_idx] == 1.)[0]
        # pick some random input from here.
        idx = indices[0]
        # Utility to search for layer index by name.
        # Alternatively we can specify this as -1 since it corresponds to the last layer.
        layer_idx = utils.find_layer_idx(model, 'preds')
        # Swap softmax with linear
        model.layers[layer_idx].activation = activations.linear
        model = utils.apply_modifications(model)
        grads = visualize_saliency(model, layer_idx, filter_indices=class_idx, seed_input
        # Plot with 'jet' colormap to visualize as a heatmap.
        plt.imshow(grads, cmap='jet')
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Out[3]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fb2a9fb4438>



To used guided saliency, we need to set backprop_modifier='guided'. For rectified saliency or deconv saliency, use backprop_modifier='relu'. Lets try these options quickly and see how they compare to vanilla saliency.

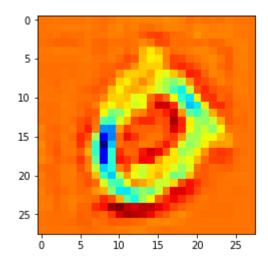




Both of them look a lot better than vanilla saliency! This in inline with observation in the paper.

We can also visualize negative gradients to see the parts of the image that contribute negatively to the output by using grad_modifier='negate'.

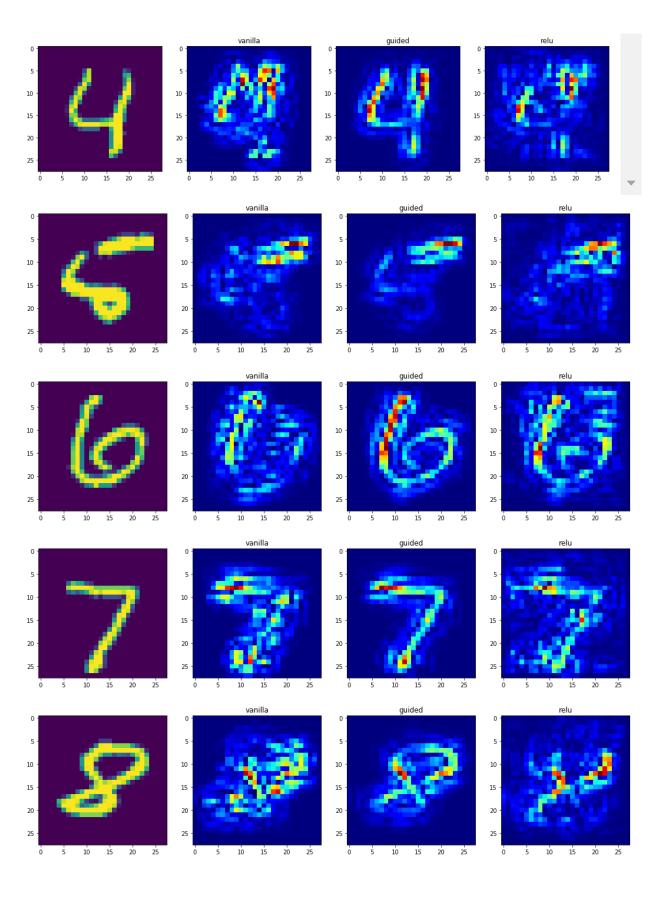
Out[5]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fb2a62a42e8>



Lets try all the classes and show original inputs and their heatmaps side by side. We cannot overlay the heatmap on original image since its grayscale.

We will also compare the outputs of guided and rectified or deconv saliency.

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In [9]: # This corresponds to the Dense linear layer.
         for class_idx in np.arange(10):
             indices = np.where(y_test[:, class_idx] == 1.)[0]
             idx = indices[0]
             f, ax = plt.subplots(1, 4)
             ax[0].imshow(x_test[idx][..., 0])
             for i, modifier in enumerate([None, 'guided', 'relu']):
                  grads = visualize_saliency(model, layer_idx, filter_indices=class_idx,
                                                seed_input=x_test[idx], backprop_modifier=modi
                  if modifier is None:
                      modifier = 'vanilla'
                  ax[i+1].set_title(modifier)
                  ax[i+1].imshow(grads, cmap='jet')
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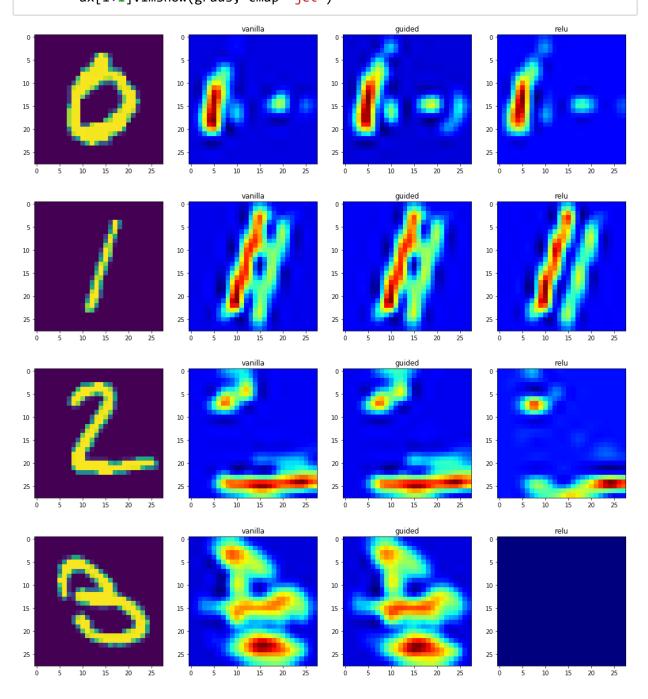
vanilla guided relu

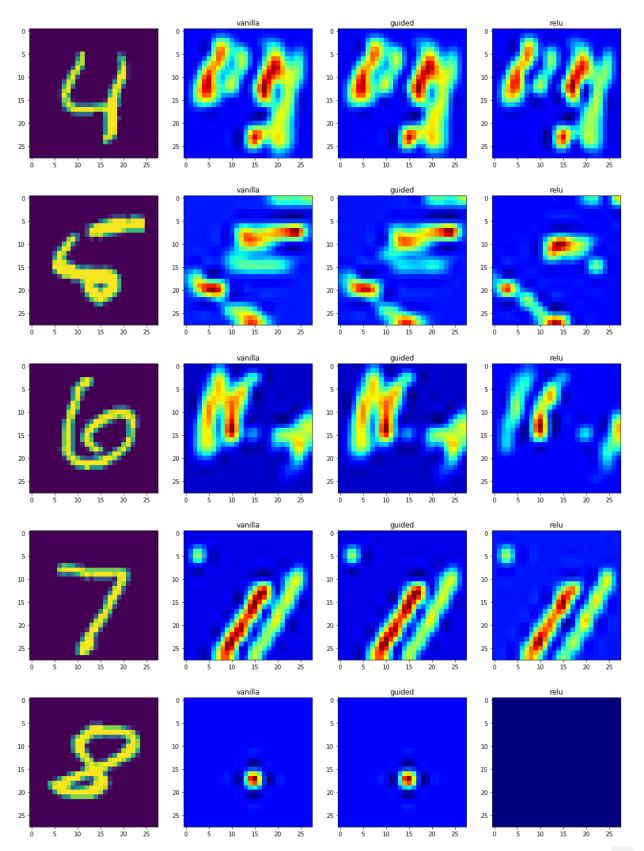
Guided saliency seems to give the best results

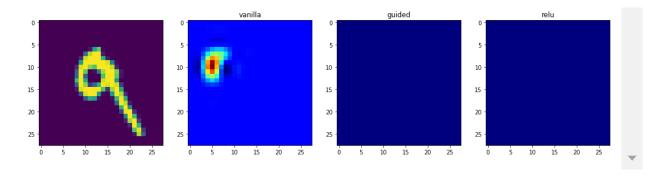
grad-CAM - vanilla, guided, rectified

These should contain more detail since they use Conv or Pooling features that contain more spatial detail which is lost in Dense layers. The only additional detail compared to saliency is the penultimate_layer_idx. This specifies the pre-layer whose gradients should be used. See this paper for technical details: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.02391v1.pdf (https://arxiv.org/pdf/1610.02391v1.pdf

By default, if penultimate_layer_idx is not defined, it searches for the nearest pre layer. For our architecture, that would be the MaxPooling2D layer after all the Conv layers. Lets look at all the visualizations like before.







In this case it appears that saliency is better than grad-CAM as penultimate MaxPooling2D layer has (12, 12) spatial resolution which is relatively large as compared to input of (28, 28). Is is likely that the conv layer hasnt captured enough high level information and most of that is likely within dense_4 layer.

Here is the model summary for reference.

In [19]: print(model.summary())

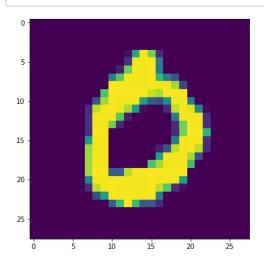
Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None,	26, 26, 32)	320
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None,	24, 24, 64)	18496
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2	(None,	12, 12, 64)	0
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None,	12, 12, 64)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None,	9216)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	128)	1179776
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None,	128)	0
preds (Dense)	(None,	10)	1290

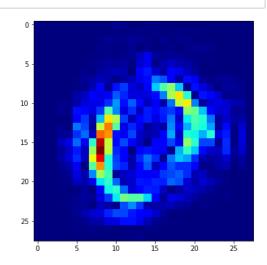
Total params: 1,199,882 Trainable params: 1,199,882 Non-trainable params: 0

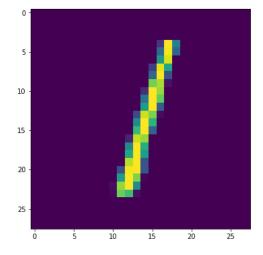
None

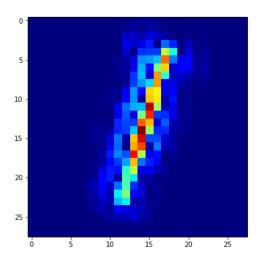
Visualization without swapping softmax

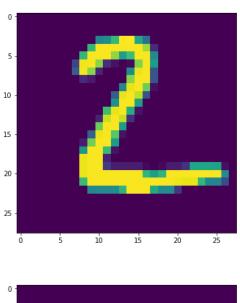
As alluded at the beginning of the tutorial, we want to compare and see what happens if we didnt swap out softmax for linear activation. Lets try this with guided saliency which gave us the best results so far.

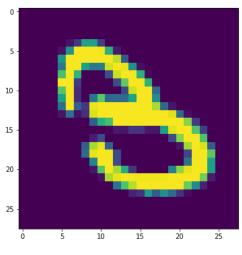


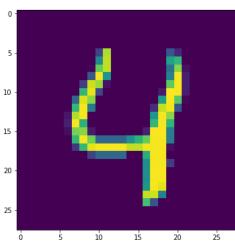


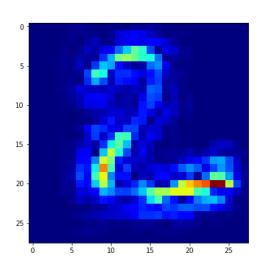


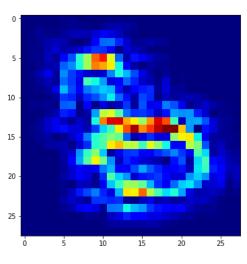


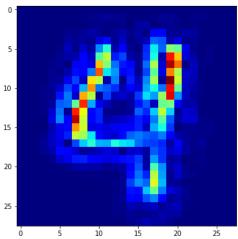


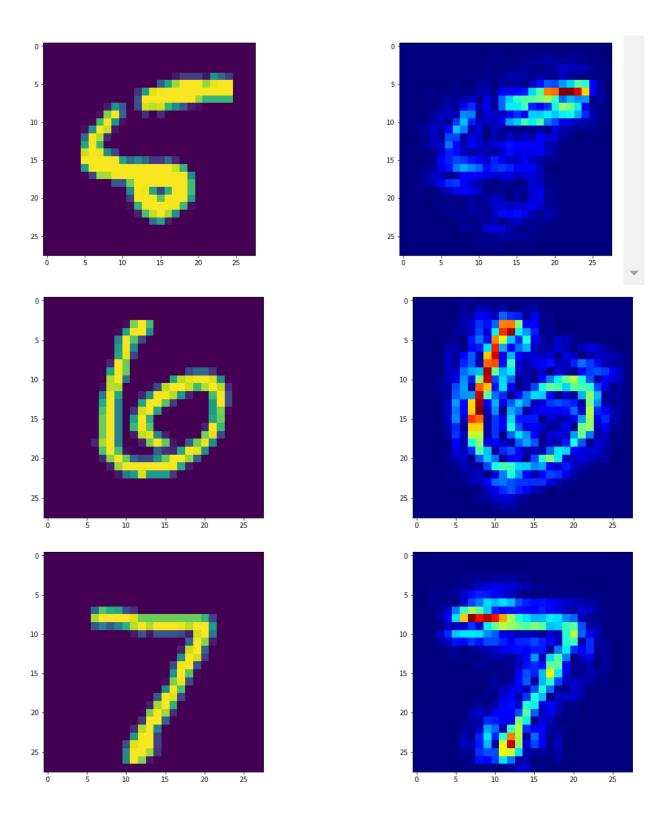


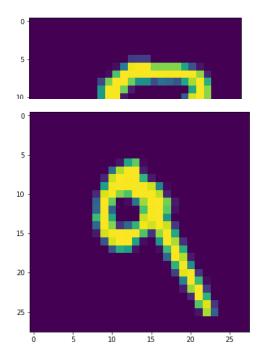


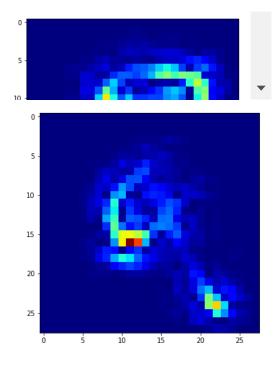












It does not work as well!

The reason is that maximizing an output node can be done by minimizing other outputs. Softmax is weird that way. It is the only activation that depends on other node output(s) in the layer.

In []: