



Capsule Networks: A Survey

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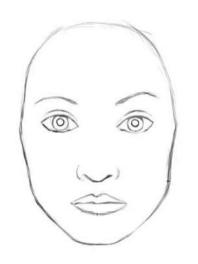
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- EM routing
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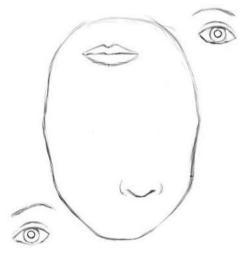




Introduction

- Motivation[CNN drawbacks]
 - Internal data representation of a convolutional neural network does not take into account important spatial hierarchies between simple and complex objects.





CNN: neuron [scalar] activation

CapsNet: capsule [vector/matrix] activation and state





Introduction

Motivation

• Hinton: "The pooling operation used in convolutional neural networks is a big mistake and the fact that it works so well is a disaster."

CNN:

- max pooling
- average pooling

CapsNet:

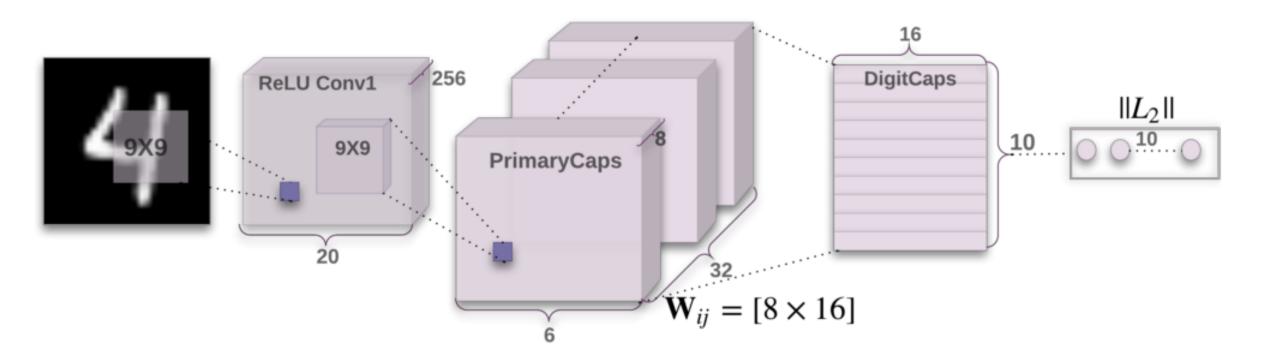
- dynamic routing(routing by agreement)
- EM routing





Introduction

- Motivation
 - Inverse rendering







What is capsule?
 Capsules encapsulate all important information about the state of the feature they are detecting in vector form.

Vector: length & orientation

想要达到的效果:

when detected feature moves around the image or its state somehow changes, the probability still stays the same (length of vector does not change), but its orientation changes.

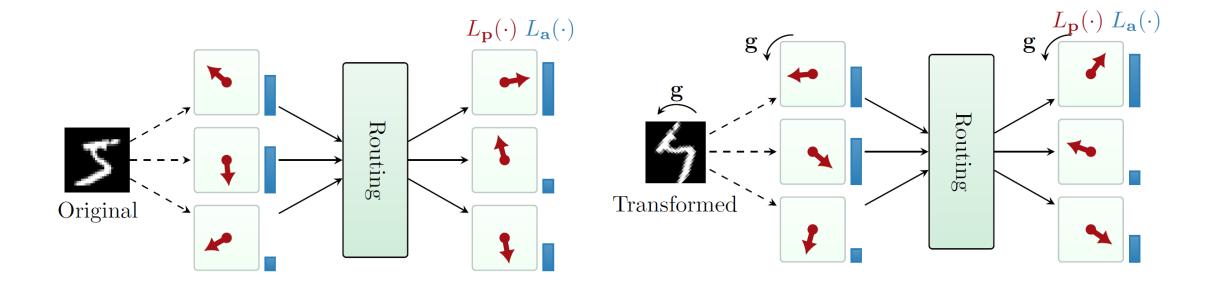
[invariance & variance]





Generic routing by agreement

• Equivariance and invariance [5]

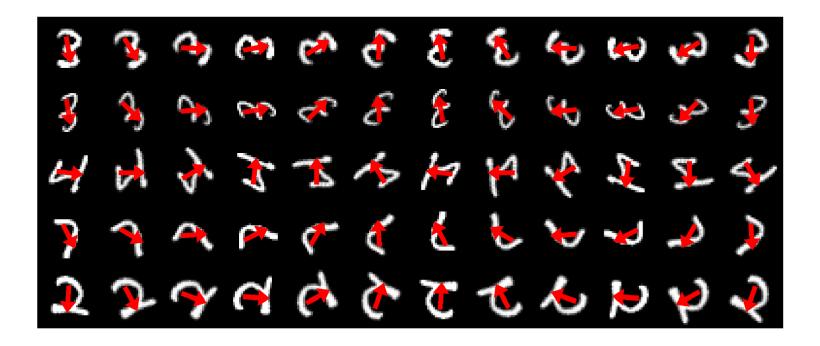






Equivariance and Invariance

Variation in pose vector





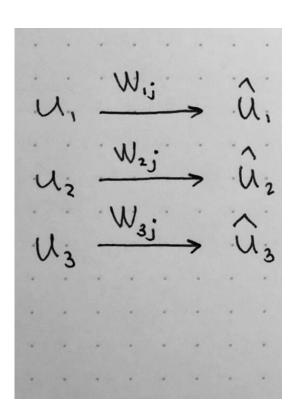


- How capsule works
 - 1. matrix multiplication of input vectors
 - 2. scalar weighting of input vectors
 - 3. sum of weighted input vectors
 - 4. vector-to-vector nonlinearity



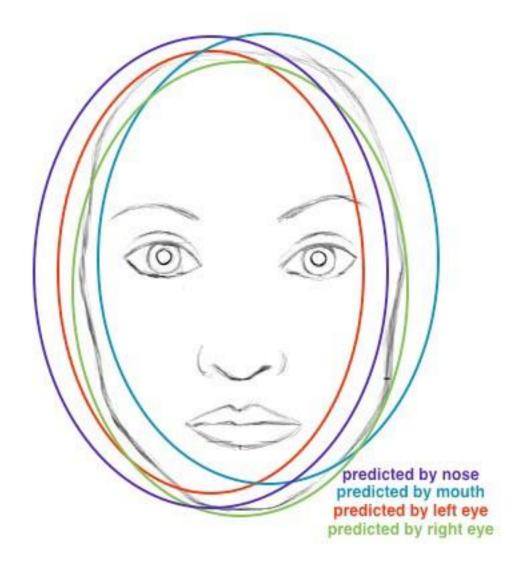


1. matrix multiplication of input vectors



 $u_i^{\hat{}}$: predict vectors

 u_i : output of last layer capsules



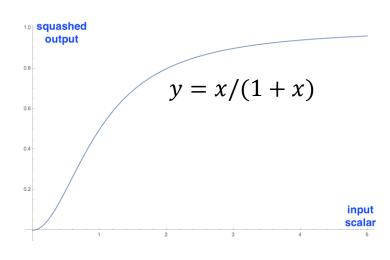




- Scalar Weighting of Input Vectors
 Question: How to determine the weights/coefficients?

 Answer: Dynamic routing
- 3. Sum of Weighted Input Vectors
- 4. "Squash": Novel Vector-to-Vector Nonlinearity

$$\mathbf{v}_j = rac{\|\mathbf{s}_j\|^2}{1+\|\mathbf{s}_j\|^2} rac{\mathbf{s}_j}{\|\mathbf{s}_j\|}$$







Dynamic routing

"Lower level capsule will send its input to the higher level capsule that "agrees" with its input. This is the essence of the dynamic routing algorithm."—routing by agreement

Procedure 1 Routing algorithm.

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1: procedure ROUTING(\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{j|i}, r, l)
2: for all capsule i in layer l and capsule j in layer (l+1): b_{ij} \leftarrow 0.
3: for r iterations do
4: for all capsule i in layer l: \mathbf{c}_i \leftarrow \text{softmax}(\mathbf{b}_i) \triangleright softmax computes Eq. 3
5: for all capsule j in layer (l+1): \mathbf{s}_j \leftarrow \sum_i c_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{u}}_{j|i}
6: for all capsule j in layer (l+1): \mathbf{v}_j \leftarrow \text{squash}(\mathbf{s}_j) \triangleright squash computes Eq. 1
7: for all capsule i in layer i and capsule i and capsu
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- Dynamic routing questions
 - What is agreement?
 - Softmax along which axis? [My experiment result]

99.60 v.s. 99.37 on MNIST

- How many iterations to use?
 - two many iterations: overfit
 - suggestion: 3
- Trainable parameters? W_{ij} , C_{ij}



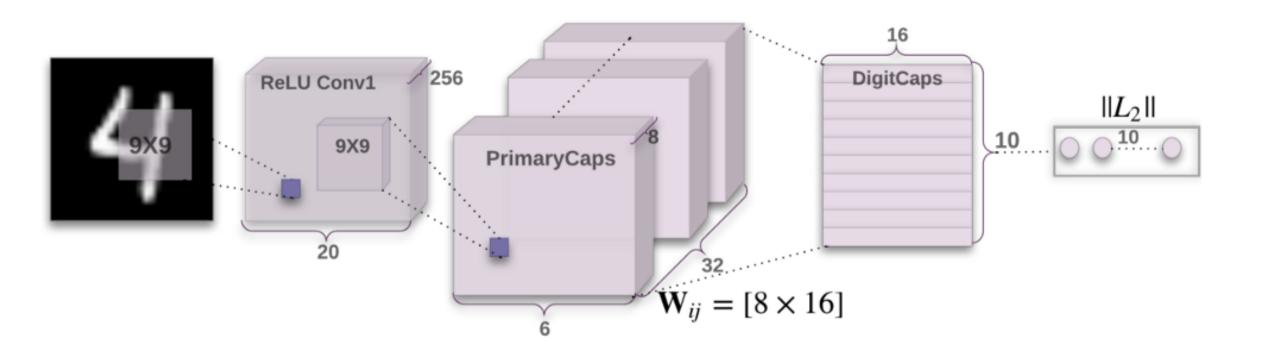


- Network architecture
 - Encoder
 - Decoder[regularization]





• Part I. Encoder



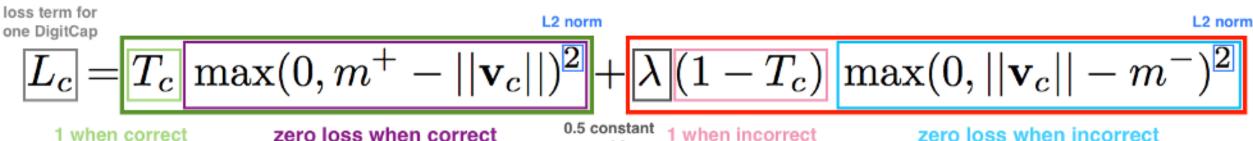


• Part I. Encoder

CapsNet Loss Function

calculated for correct DigitCap

calculated for incorrect DigitCaps



1 when correct DigitCap, 0 when incorrect zero loss when correct prediction with probability greater than 0.9, non-zero otherwise 0.5 constant used for numerical stability

1 when incorrect DigitCap, 0 when correct

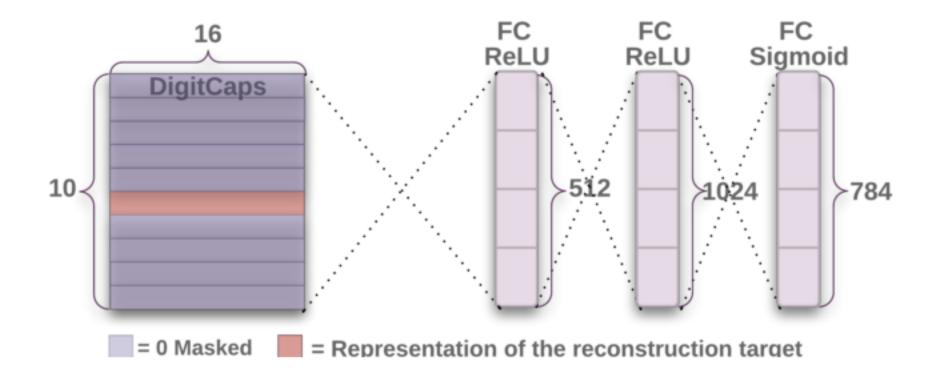
prediction with probability less than 0.1, non-zero otherwise

Note: correct DigitCap is one that matches training label, for each training example there will be 1 correct and 9 incorrect DigitCaps





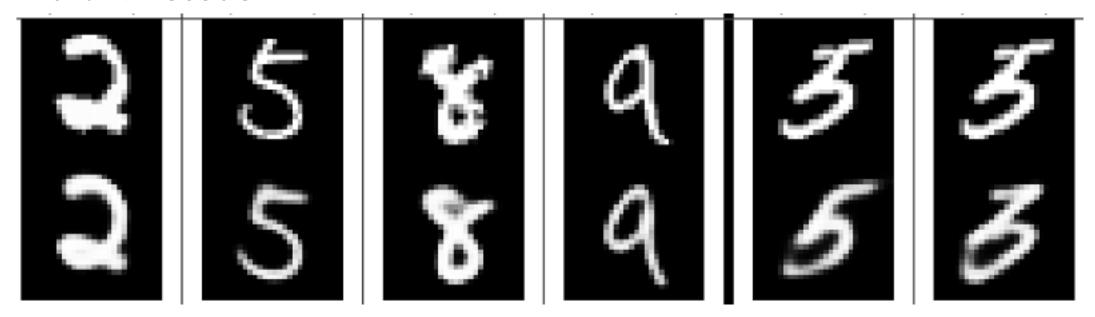
• Part II. Decoder







• Part II. Decoder



Question: why a decoder is necessary?

Loss: MSE





What the individual dimensions of a capsule represent

Figure 4: Dimension perturbations. Each row shows the reconstruction when one of the 16 dimensions in the DigitCaps representation is tweaked by intervals of 0.05 in the range [-0.25, 0.25].

Scale and thickness	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Localized part	06666666666
Stroke thickness	5555555555
Localized skew	9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9 9
Width and translation	11133333333
Localized part	222222222



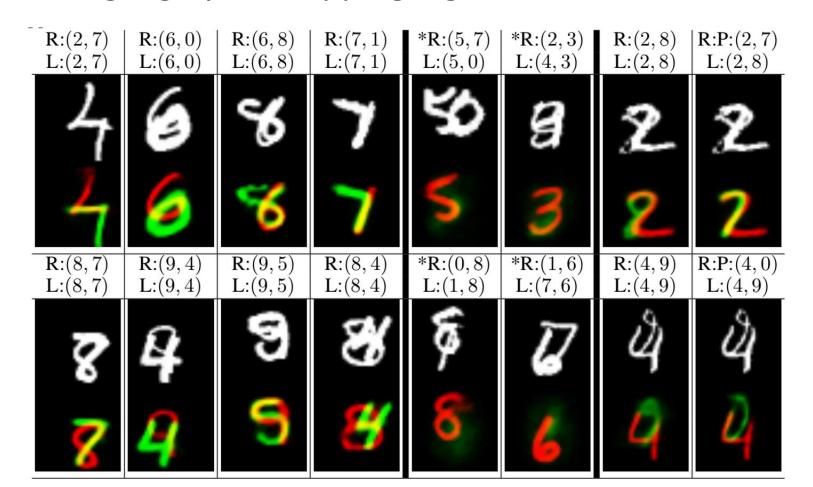


- Robustness to Affine Transformations
 - SOTA CNN: 99.22 % -> 66 %
 - CapsNet:99.23% -> 79%





Segmenting highly overlapping digits[MultiMNIST]







Overall

Table 1: CapsNet classification test accuracy. The MNIST average and standard deviation results are reported from 3 trials.

Method	Routing	Reconstruction	MNIST (%)	MultiMNIST (%)
Baseline	-	-	0.39	8.1
CapsNet	1	no	$0.34_{\pm 0.032}$	-
CapsNet	1	yes	$0.29_{\pm 0.011}$	7.5
CapsNet	3	no	$0.35_{\pm 0.036}$	-
CapsNet	3	yes	$0.25_{\pm 0.005}$	5.2





Dynamic vs EM routing

- Both are iterative
- Dynamic
 - Squash function
 - Cosine similarity
- EM
 - Existence probability
 - Distribution

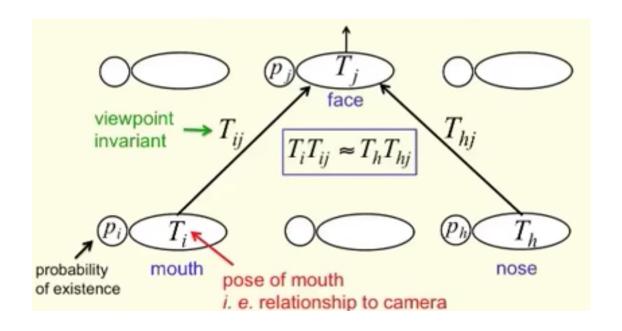


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