

Lab4: Model Pruning

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Outline



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Model Compression Techniques

Why we need model compression



 Size of Model become larger nowadays. To put model on resource constrained device, the need of model compression is rising.

 For instance, size of the pre-trained VGG16 model is more than 500 MB. Such model size is large for the utilizing on resource constrained device

Model Compression Techniques



- Knowledge Distillation: Distill the knowledge from a large deep neural network into a small network
- Quantization: Reduce the number of bits required to represent each weight. For example, the weights can be quantized to lower bits (e.g. from float32 to int8)
- Pruning: Removing inessential parameters from deep neural networks without significant effect on the performance

Categories of Pruning



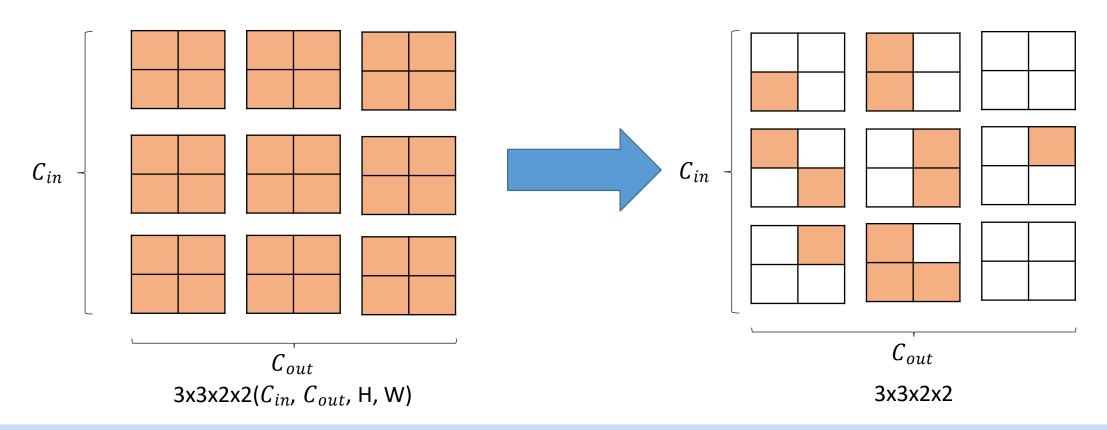
Unstructured pruning

Structured pruning

Unstructured Pruning



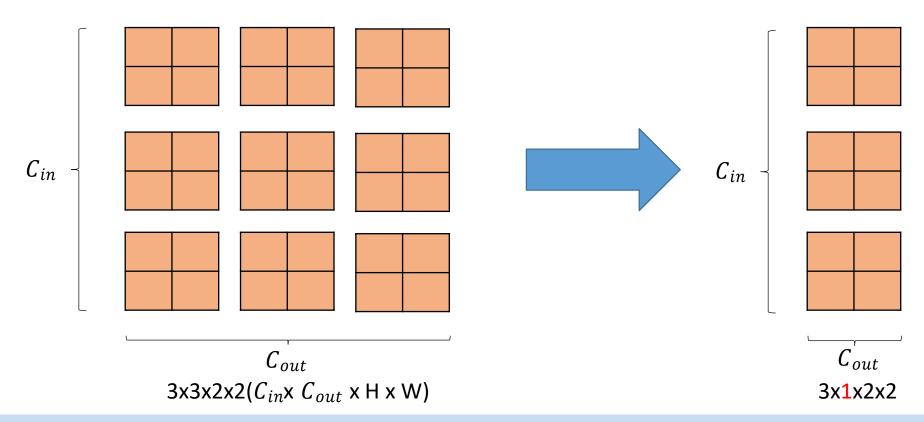
- Pros: Could achieve higher sparsity rate
- Cons: Need special library support to reshape filter for sparsity operation



Structured Pruning



- Pros: Easy to implement
- Cons: Not easy to achieve higher sparsity rate





Case Study – Network Slimming

Network Slimming



- Title: Learning Efficient Convolutional Networks through Network Slimming
- Authors: Zhuang Liu, Jianguo Li, Zhiqiang Shen, Gao Huang, Shoumeng Yan, Changshui Zhang1
- Year: 2017 ICLR

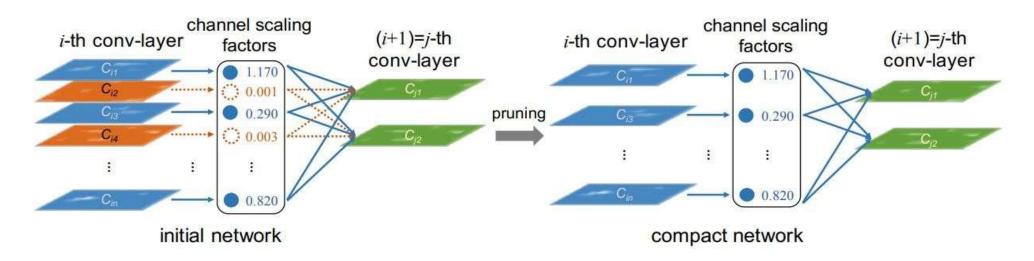
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Reference: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/8237560

Network Slimming



- Channel-wise pruning method, which utilize batch normalization layer statistic (scaling factor) to help evaluate what to prune
- Sparsity regularization is imposed on these scaling factors to identify unimportant channels



Batch Normalization Layer



 By normalizing the inputs to each layer, batch normalization reduces the sensitivity of the network to the initial weight values and the learning rate.

 The network can utilize higher learning rate without exploding or vanishing gradients, and converge faster to a good solution.

Batch Normalization Layer



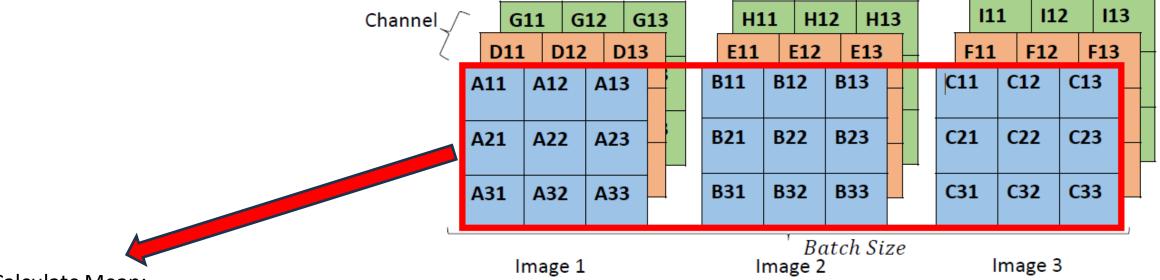
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Input: Values of x over a mini-batch: \mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\};
                               Parameters to be learned: \gamma, \beta
   Output: \{y_i = BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}
\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_{i} \qquad // \text{mini-batch mean} \sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^{2} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (x_{i} - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^{2} \qquad // \text{mini-batch variance} \widehat{x}_{i} \leftarrow \frac{x_{i} - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^{2} + \epsilon}} \qquad // \text{normalize} y_{i} \leftarrow \gamma \widehat{x}_{i} + \beta \equiv \text{BN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_{i}) \qquad // \text{scale and shift}
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Algorithm 1: Batch Normalizing Transform, applied to activation x over a mini-batch.

Batch Normalization Layer – Training



Suppose batch size = 3, we have 3 images after convolution layer output



Calculate Mean:

$$\mu_1 = (A11 + \dots + A33 + B11 + \dots + B33 + C11 + \dots + C33) / (9*3)$$

Calculate Variance:

$$\sigma_1^2 = \left[(A11 - \mu_1)^2 + \dots + (A33 - \mu_1)^2 + (B11 - \mu_1)^2 + \dots + (B33 - \mu_1)^2 + (C11 - \mu_1)^2 + \dots + (C33 - \mu_1)^2 \right] / (9*3)$$

Normalize:

$$A11' = (A11 - \mu_1) / \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \varepsilon}$$

Scale and Shift:

$$A11_{new} = \gamma * A11' + \beta$$

Batch Normalization Layer – Inference



• In inference stage, we may not able to calculate μ and σ . The solution is to adapt running mean and running variance calculated in training stage

Calculate running mean at training stage:

$$\mu_{mov} = \alpha * \mu_{mov} + (1 - \alpha) * \mu_1$$
, $0 \le \alpha \le 1$

Calculate running variance at training stage:

$$\sigma_{mov} = \alpha * \sigma_{mov} + (1-\alpha) * \sigma_1$$
, $0 \le \alpha \le 1$

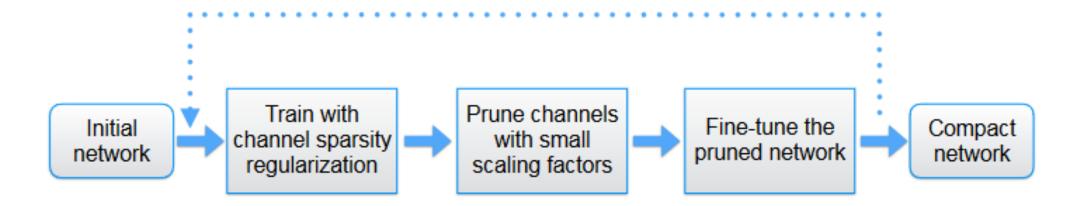
 α : momentum (hyperparameter)



At inference stage, utilize μ_{mov} and σ_{mov}

Network Slimming Pipeline





Sparsity regularization



Sparsity regularization penalizes scaling factors

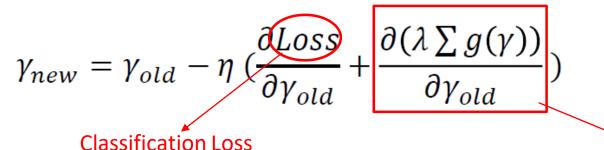
$$L = \underbrace{\sum_{(x,y)} l(f(x,W),y)}_{\text{Classification Loss}} + \lambda \underbrace{\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} g(\gamma)}_{\text{Sparsity Regularization Loss}}$$

 $x = input, y = label, W = weight, l(\cdot) = loss function$ $\lambda = balance factor, g(\cdot) = sparsity-induced penalty on scaling factors, <math>\gamma = scaling factor$

Sparsity regularization



In the view of backward propagation (updating scaling factors)



In this Lab, you need to figure out how to calculate this term!

• In Network Slimming, $g(s) = |s| \longrightarrow g(r) = |r| \begin{cases} \gamma & \text{if } \gamma \ge 0 \\ -\gamma & \text{if } \gamma < 0 \end{cases}$

L1 norm, widely used to achieve sparsity



Lab4 Introduction

Goal and Grading



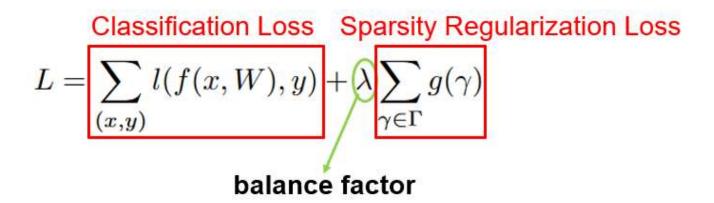
- Implement algorithm performed in Network Slimming.
- Architecture: VGG
- Dataset: CIFAR10
- Grading:
 - Fill blanks (total 35%, 7 blanks * 5%)
 - Complete different prune ratio (total 15%)
 - Prune ratio **0.5** (5%)
 - Prune ratio **0.9** (10%)
 - Complete scaling factor distribution visualization (10%)
 - Report (total 40%)
 - Plot **sparsity-training** accuracy of origin model over epochs (5%)
 - Plot scaling factor distribution with **3 different λ value** (5%)
 - Show model test accuracy after pruning **50%** channels (5%)
 - Show model test accuracy after pruning **90%** channels (5%)
 - Plot training (fine-tuning) accuracy of pruned 90% model over epochs (5%)
 - Show what problem you encounter and how you solve it (15%)

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Scaling factor distribution visualization



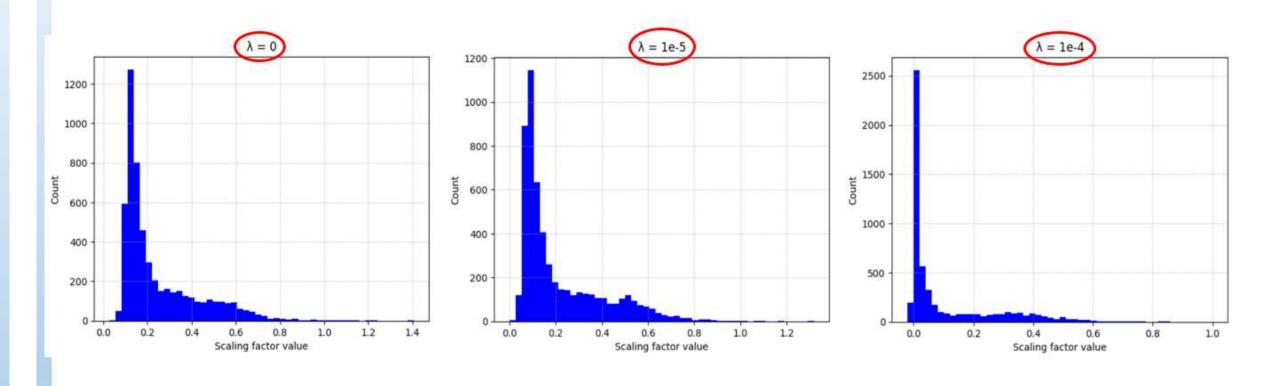
Sparsity regularization in Network Slimming paper



Scaling factor distribution visualization



Experiment of scaling factor distribution on different λ



With the increase of λ , scaling factors become sparser!

You should run 3 experiments with 3 different λ value and put the results in the report !

Procedure



- 1. Download archive from Moodle
- 2. Extract archive and upload file to Google Drive (Recommend under Colab NoteBooks/)



Procedure



- 3. Double click **sparsity_train.ipynb** would navigate to CoLab UI
- 4. Run sparsity_train.ipynb for sparsity regularization training
- 5. Run vggprune.ipynb for model pruning
- 6. Run train_prune_model.ipynb to train pruned model (fine-tune)





Procedure



- 7. Running code in Colab will save running history
- 8. Hand in files as archive

Hand in archive to Moodle with code and report Hand in code after running on Colab. Colab will save running history.

<<File Hierarchy>>
EAI_Lab4_StudentID.zip

- vggprune.ipynb
- train_prune_model.ipynb
- sparsity_train.ipynb
- EAI_Lab4 _StudentID_Report.pdf
- models/

DO NOT ATTACH *.pth and dataset

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