Introduction to Deep Learning

Convolutional Neural Network for Object Classification

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Machine Learning?

- What does machine learning do?
- Tasks: Classification, Regression, Transcription, Translation, Denoising, etc.
- What is ML? Train a machine algorithm to do the above tasks.
- 1. Start with **representations** of training data and model parameter.
- 2. Training by **iterating** between mathematical **optimization** step and **evaluation** (minimizing training error).
- 3. Apply trained algorithm onto test data (hoping the test error is small enough to generalize)

Some Optimization Concepts Revisited

- Bayesian statistics/Baye's Rule
- Maximum a posteriori (MAP) estimation $\theta_{map} = \arg \max \log p(\theta|x) = \arg \max \log p(x|\theta) + \log p(\theta)$
- Minimizing cost/lost function: such as the negative log probability density function above or any arbitrarily chosen function with regularization
- Some Regularizations:
 - 1. L2 regularization = Gaussian Prior
 - 2. L1 regularization = Laplace Prior
- Gradient Descent Optimization

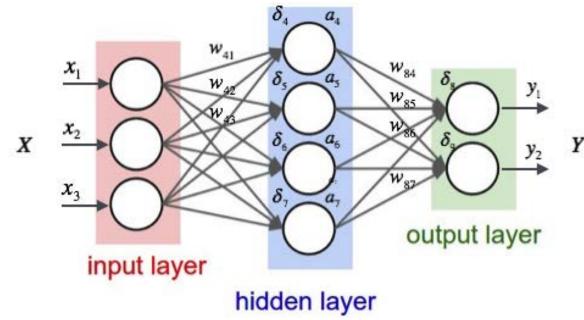
Some ML Concepts

- **Supervised** Learning: training data is already tagged by human supervisors (classification and regression tasks).
- Unsupervised Learning: some underlying insight identified directly by machine learning programs (clustering, principal component analysis).
- We will focus on object classification using deep neural network as a case study on how deep learning works

_	Supervised Learning	Unsupervised Learning
Discrete	classification or categorization	clustering
Continuous	regression	dimensionality reduction

Simple Neural Network Architecture

- On the right, NN of 1-hidden layer
- x^i has 3 inputs (3 x1), W^h is 3 x 4 matrix of weights connecting layers of neural nodes
- $\bullet \ \boldsymbol{W}^{i^T} \boldsymbol{x}^i = \boldsymbol{\delta}^h$
- Some activation function, g^h gives a pointwise operation: $g^h(\delta^h) = \alpha^h$
- To compute output layer, we have a matrix \mathbf{W}^o which is 4x2
- $\bullet \ \mathbf{W}^{o^T} \mathbf{a}^h = \mathbf{\delta}^o$
- Another activation function, g^o , a pointwise operation: $g^o(\boldsymbol{\delta}^o) = \boldsymbol{y}^o$



Neural Network Basics

• Feedforward neural networks (often called multilayer perceptrons (MLPs)), each layer has linear transformation followed by an activation, 1st and 2nd layers:

$$\mathbf{h}^{1} = g^{1} \left(\mathbf{W}^{1} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{1} \right)$$
$$\mathbf{h}^{2} = g^{2} \left(\mathbf{W}^{2} \mathbf{h}^{1} + \mathbf{b}^{2} \right)$$

- W represents linear weights assigned to each input, b represents bias, g is an activation function (can be nonlinear, see ReLU).
- Commonly used g are:
 - **Sigmoid** for binary classification (for Bernoulli output distributions):

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

• **Softmax** for multiple classification (for multinoulli output distributions): $g(z)_i = \frac{\exp z_i}{\sum_j \exp z_j}$

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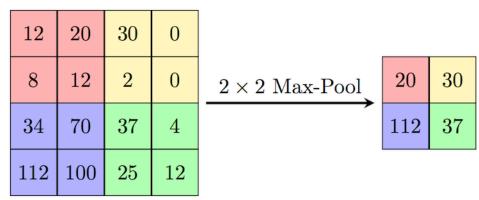
- Rectified linear units (ReLU): $g(z) = \max\{0, z\}$, most widely used
- Tangent activation function: $g(z) = \tanh(z)$

Chain Rule & Backpropagation

- Chain rule is the key to backpropagate error and update each layer's parameter $\boldsymbol{W_i}$ and $\boldsymbol{b_i}$
- The iterative update on W_i and b_i normally use a **gradient descent** approach with hyperparameters such as regularization (added to the gradients calculated) where needed and learning rate (step size of the gradient descent)
- Stochastic gradient descent (each sample assumed I.I.D, update parameters one sample at a time) is the most widely used, also full GD (use all samples) and batch GD (use a batch of sample to update)
- Regularization: L1, L2 or arbitrary
- Also check out enhanced gradient descent algorithms such as Nestorov momentum and RMSprop (for example, stochastic GD with RMSprop)
- Optimal hyperparameters can be determined using grid search or random search (a time-consuming guessing game)

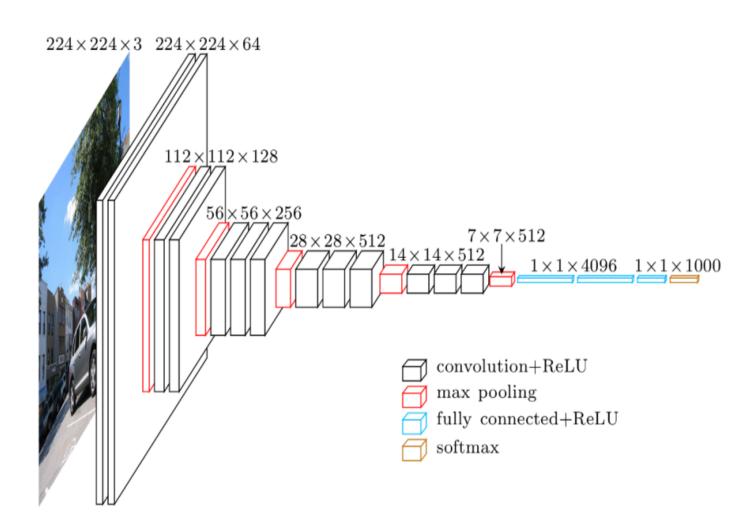
Convolutional Neural Network

- Convolution operation is very useful in processing 2D images because it is translation invariant and computationally inexpensive compared to a matrix operation
- Convolution is a linear transformation, replacing $\mathbf{W}x + \mathbf{b}$ in regular feedforward neural networks (often use "same" size option to specify convolution so output size = input size)
- Nonlinearity step such as Rectified Linear Unit still used
- New building block: Pooling such as max pooling:



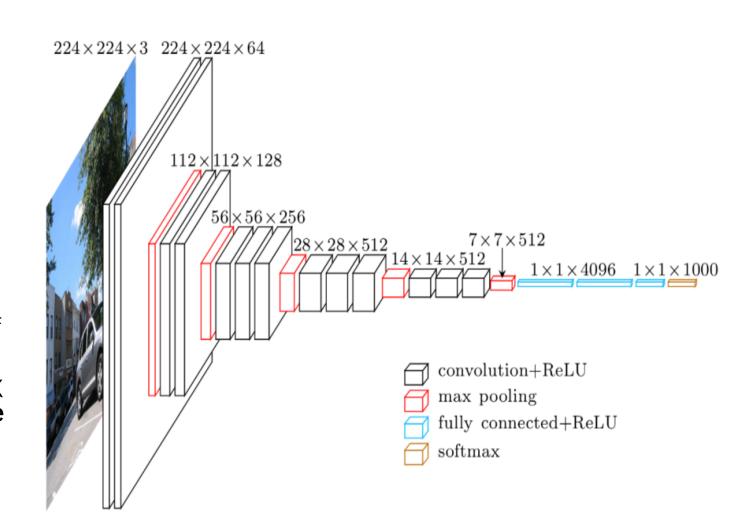
A Simple CNN Architecture

- 1. RBG image **H x W x 3** (224x224x3), we want to know what is in the input image
- 2. First **convolution** filter stack of **3** x **K** x **K** x **F**: a stack of F filters each detect a feature (for example, detecting horizontal and vertical edges will requires a stack of 3 x K x K x 2).
- 3. Then **ReLU** is applied pointwise.
- 4. Second **convolution** filter stack is 64 x K x K x 64, third one is **64** x K x K x **128**, then **ReLU** again.
- 5. followed by max pooling of 2x2 to reduce 224x224x128 to 112x112x128, repeat Steps (2 to)
- 6. Repeat from Step 2 to 5 with different matrices' size
- 7. After all Convo+ReLU layers, **stack the 7x7x512 to 1x1x4096, called "Flatten"**
- 8. In the end, a **softmax** operation can be used to do **classification** of objects, here identifying possibly 1000 objects



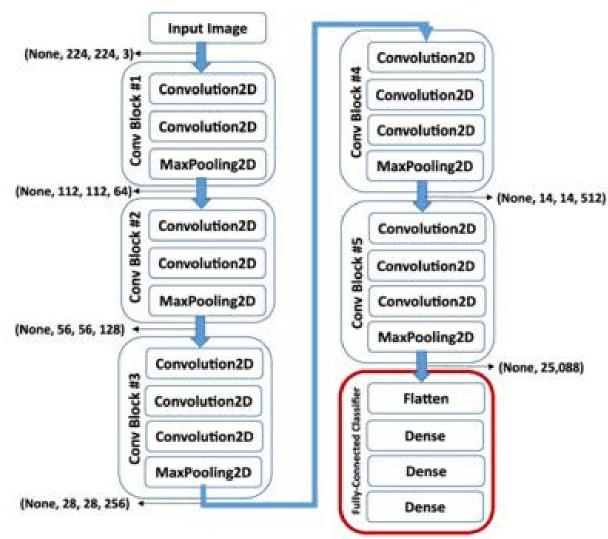
How to Interpret this?

- The first convolution 3x K x K x F extract F number of features, these features are simple features such as lines and edges.
- The output of the convolution operation indicates where the feature is found, max pooling retain that info while keeping the data size small (down sampling).
- Here the 1st convolution 3 x K x K x 64 extract 64 simple features (shapes) from the RBG image
- The 3rd convolution 64 x K x K x **128** extracts more complicated features (128 of them) on top of the simple ones
- The deepest convolution stack (512 x K X K x 512) extracts very sophisticated feature representation such as a car, a tree
- The fully connected + ReLU layer maps the stacked output of convolutional layers to an identification matrix: logits indicating if a car or a tree is present in the input



Some Widely Used CNN Architectures

- The training of CNN uses chain rule as basis again
- Basically the deeper the better up to some extent
- All are combo of Conv and ReLU and Pooling with the last few layers as feedforward neural layers
- VGG16 architecture on the right
- Can find pre-trained model online



ResNet

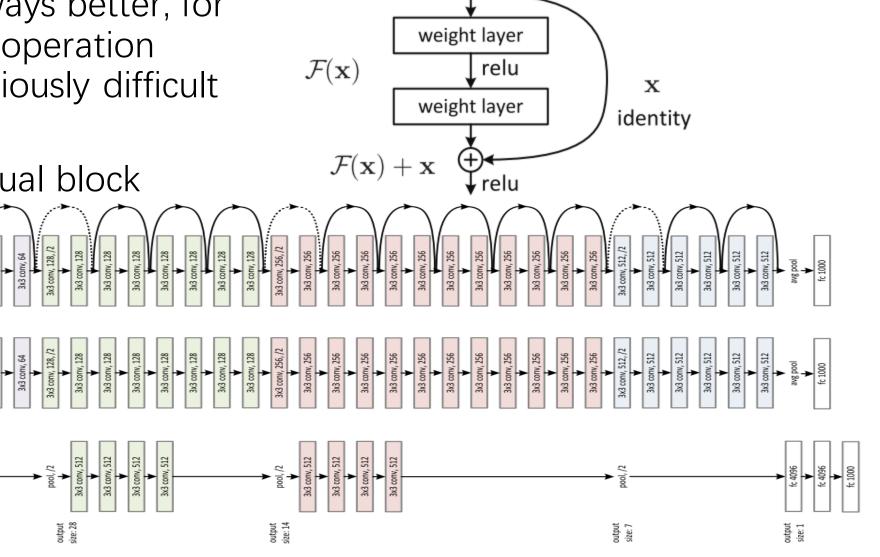
34-layer residual

34-layer plain

VGG-19

• Deeper is not always better, for example identity operation f(x) = x is notoriously difficult to replicate

• Introducing residual block



Practical Implementation/Software Tools

- Python with sklearn, Theano, TensorFlow(google) libraries. Keras, written using TensorFlow is a high-level neural network library (very simple to set up complicated neural networks with)
- C++ with **Caffe** library
- MATLAB with MatConvNet library
- All the above can achieve GPU integration to take advantage of its faster computational speed
- Pre-trained weights of an image classifier (for example a pretrained VGG16 model) can be downloaded from ImageNet

Onto Computer Vision

- We also want to identify the location of the object that we identified.
- Modify the final layers of fully connected neural networks (only used to determine if an object is there) and incorporate linear regression to get center coordinates and height and width
- One of the state-of-art algorithm is called **Single-Shot MultiBox Detector (SSD)** which adds different box predictors along with the original class predictors at different scales/default boxes to detect and locate objects

