

Assignment 2

Question 1: Siamese networks & one-shot learning (7pt)

The Cifar-100 dataset is similar to the Cifar-10 dataset. It also consists of 60,000 32x32 RGB images, but they are distributed over 100 classes instead of 10. Thus, each class has much fewer examples, only 500 training images and 100 testing images per class. For more info about the dataset, see <https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html> (<https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html>).

HINT: Import the Cifar-100 dataset directly from Keras, no need to download it from the website. Use `label_mode="fine"`

Task 1.1: Siamese network

a)

- Train a Siamese Network on the first 80 classes of (the training set of) Cifar-100, i.e. let the network predict the probability that two input images are from the same class. Use 1 as a target for pairs of images from the same class (positive pairs), and 0 for pairs of images from different classes (negative pairs). Randomly select image pairs from Cifar-100, but make sure you train on as many positive pairs as negative pairs.
- Evaluate the performance of the network on 20-way one-shot learning tasks. Do this by generating 250 random tasks and obtain the average accuracy for each evaluation round. Use the remaining 20 classes that were not used for training. The model should perform better than random guessing.

For this question you may ignore the test set of Cifar-100; it suffices to use only the training set and split this, using the first 80 classes for training and the remaining 20 classes for one-shot testing.

HINT: First sort the data by their labels (see e.g. `numpy.argsort()`), then reshape the data to a shape of `(n_classes, n_examples, width, height, depth)`, similar to the Omniglot data in Practical 4. It is then easier to split the data by class, and to sample positive and negative images pairs for training the Siamese network.

NOTE: do not expect the one-shot accuracy for Cifar-100 to be similar to that accuracy for Omniglot; a lower accuracy can be expected. However, accuracy higher than random guess is certainly achievable.

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b) Compare the performance of your Siamese network for Cifar-100 to the Siamese network from Practical 4 for Omniglot. Name three fundamental differences between the Cifar-100 and Omniglot datasets. How do these differences influence the difference in one-shot accuracy?

Answer:

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Task 1.2: One-shot learning with neural codes

a)

- Train a CNN classifier on the first 80 classes of Cifar-100. Make sure it achieves at least 40% classification accuracy on those 80 classes (use the test set to validate this accuracy).
- Then use neural codes from one of the later hidden layers of the CNN with L2-distance to evaluate one-shot learning accuracy for the remaining 20 classes of Cifar-100 with 250 random tasks. I.e. for a given one-shot task, obtain neural codes for the test image as well as the support set. Then pick the image from the support set that is closest (in L2-distance) to the test image as your one-shot prediction.

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b) Briefly motivate your CNN architecture, and discuss the difference in one-shot accuracy between the Siamese network approach and the CNN neural codes approach.

Answer:

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Question 2: Triplet networks & one-shot learning (10pt)

Task 2.1: Train a triplet network

a)

- Train a triplet network on the first 80 classes of (the training set of) Cifar-100.
- Make sure the network achieves a smaller loss than the margin and the network does not collapse all representations to zero vectors. *HINT: If you experience problems to achieve this goal, it might be helpful to tinker the learning rate.*
- You are provided with a working example of triplet loss implementation for Keras below. You may directly use it.

You may ignore the test set of Cifar-100 for this question as well. It suffices to use only the training set and split this, using the first 80 classes for training and the remaining 20 classes for one-shot testing.

Notice that ground truth variable is not used for loss calculation. It is used as a function argument to by-pass some Keras functionality. This is because the network structure already implies the ground truth for the anchor image with the "positive" image.

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import tensorflow as tf
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def triplet_loss(ground_truth, network_output):
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    anchor, positive, negative = tf.split(network_output, num_or_size_splits=3, axis=1)
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    for embedding in [anchor, positive, negative]:  
        embedding = tf.math.l2_normalize(embedding)
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    pos_dist = tf.reduce_sum(tf.square(tf.subtract(anchor, positive)), axis=1)  
    neg_dist = tf.reduce_sum(tf.square(tf.subtract(anchor, negative)), axis=1)
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    margin = # define your margin  
    basic_loss = tf.add(tf.subtract(pos_dist, neg_dist), margin)  
    loss = tf.reduce_mean(tf.maximum(basic_loss, 0.0), axis=0)
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    return loss
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Task 2.2: One-shot learning with triplet neural codes

a)

- Use neural codes from the triplet network with L2-distance to evaluate one-shot learning accuracy for the remaining 20 classes of Cifar-100 with 250 random tasks. I.e. for a given one-shot task, obtain neural codes for the test image as well as the support set. Then pick the image from the support set that is closest (in L2-distance) to the test image as your one-shot prediction.
- Explicitly state the accuracy.

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Question 3: Performance comparison (3pt)

a) What accuracy would random guessing achieve (on average) on this dataset? Motivate your answer briefly.

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b) Discuss and compare the performances of networks in tasks 1.1, 1.2 and 2.2. Briefly motivate and explain which task would be expected the highest accuracy. Explain the reasons of the accuracy difference if there are any. If there is almost no difference accuracy, explain the reason for that.

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