

COGS260 Image Recognition

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A spatiotemporal model with visual attention for video
classification

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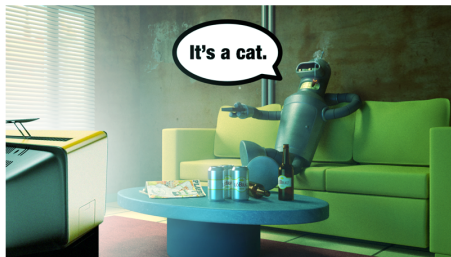
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Motivation

Video classification

- ▶ Semantic understanding of sequential visual input is important for robots in localization and object detection.
- ▶ Eg, search for a cat in a living room, instead of in a gym.



Source: Harvey M., Five video classification methods

Motivation

Rotation and scale

- ▶ Existing benchmark contains videos of daily scenes.
- ▶ Objects in real world could be rotated and scaled.



Original



Rotated

Source: Caffe



Scaled

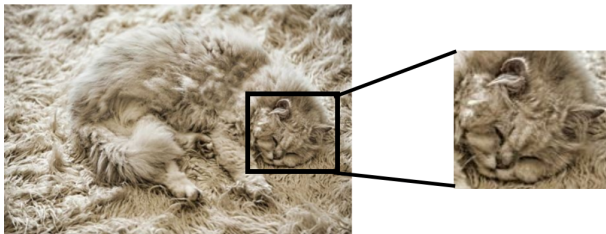


Rotated
& scaled

Motivation

Visual attention

- ▶ Attention mechanism reduces complexity and avoids cluttering. This makes it easier to deal with rotated and scaled images.

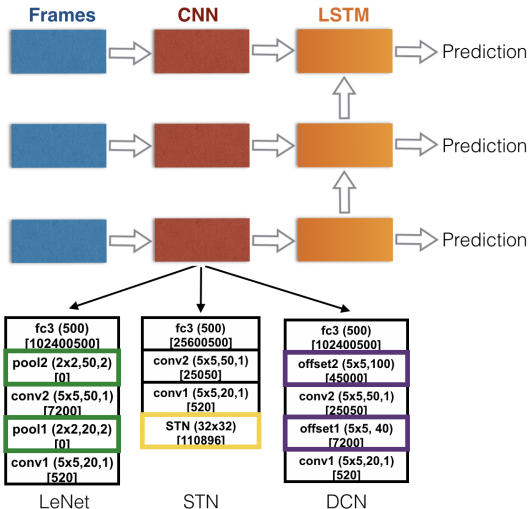


Source: cs231n, Stanford

Proposed model

Architecture

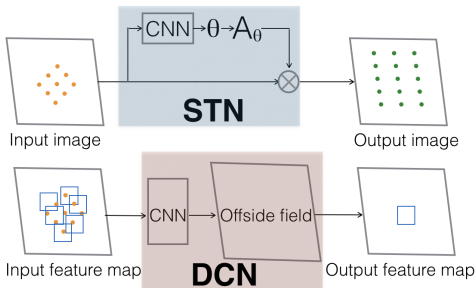
- ▶ The proposed model concatenates CNN to RNN.
- ▶ The CNN stage is augmented with attention modules.



Proposed model

Attention modules

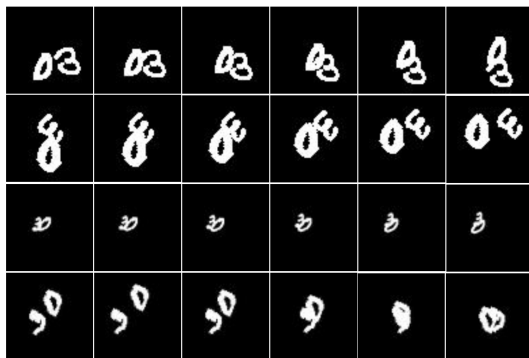
- ▶ Spatial transformer network learns a global affine transformation.
- ▶ Deformable convolutional networks learns offsets locally and densely.



Experiment

Dataset

- ▶ Moving MNIST is augmented with rotation and scaling (Demo).



Experiment

Quantitative analysis

- DCN-LSTM consistently performs the best in all cases.

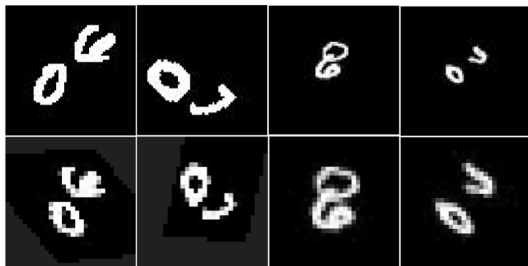
TABLE I: Comparison of cross entropy loss and test accuracy for the proposed model and baseline.

Moving MNIST	LeNet-LSTM	STN-LSTM	DCN-LSTM
Normal	1.39, 98.2%	1.95, 89.3%	1.27, 99.7%
Rotation	1.32, 99.3%	1.96, 89.7%	1.15, 99.8%
Scaling	1.51, 97.5%	1.96, 89.8%	1.23, 99.2%
Rotation+Scaling	1.64, 95.8%	2.04, 88.2%	1.23, 99.2%

Experiment

Qualitative analysis

- ▶ STN could not attend to each digit individually.



Conclusion

Key insights

- ▶ DCN-LSTM achieves high accuracy compared to baseline.
- ▶ Attention modules are useful to deal with rotation and scale changes.
- ▶ STN-LSTM does not perform well due to global transformation.
- ▶ How to train the entire model end to end remains a future work.