NON-SEPARABLE CLASSIFICATION PROJECT - MULTI-FONT CHARACTER RECOGNITION:

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The following scientific publication was used for reference:

Font Recognition by a Neural Network

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https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0020737305801142 (https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0020737305801142)

Import packages to use such as pandas for dataframe aggregation and manipulation as well matplotlib and seaborn for plotting. Tensorflow, keras for model building. Sklearn and bayes opt for normalization and optimization.

```
In [ ]: import pandas as pd
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import seaborn as sns
        import numpy as np
        import io
        from bayes opt import BayesianOptimization
        import sklearn
        import seaborn as sns
        from sklearn.metrics import confusion matrix
        ## Importing more required libraries
        import numpy as np
        from keras.models import Sequential
        from keras.layers import Dense, Dropout
        import warnings
        #makes numby printouts easier to read
        np.set printoptions(precision=3, suppress=True)
```

```
In [ ]: import tensorflow as tf
        from tensorflow import keras
        from tensorflow.keras import layers
        from keras.models import Sequential
        from keras.layers import Dense
        print(tf.__version__)
```

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Known information about data used:

The network will be trained on upper-case English letters in selected fonts. The data that will be used for this project, consisting of 6 fonts (Courier, New York, Chicago, Geneva, Times, and Venice), was collected and quantized by Lee (see reference linked above). A brief summary of the data collection method is presented here:

- 1. The image of the letter is normalized to an 18 x 18 character matrix, where the line thickness is one and the image is represented by 0's (background) and 1's (foreground).
- Fourteen properties similar to those proposed by Fujii and Morita were extracted from each image. Each property is a 3 x 3 matrix, thus, for each image, a 14 x 9 matrix is generated. This is the X matrix for that image. A property recognition matrix, Y, is constructed for each image and is also a 14 x 9 matrix. It is chosen arbitrarily and is as simple as possible. W is a 9 x 9 filter matrix which maps X to Y and can be found from: W = X Y, where X the pseudo-inverse of X.
- 3. A 3 x 3 window is moved from upper left to lower right over the character image. The 9 elements in the window are multiplied by the matrix W. If the output matches a row of Y, say row k, the kth place in the count matrix is incremented by the weighting factor of that property. Thus, the count matrix for a character contains the number of exact template matches, weighted by position. The result is 156 (26 x 6) 14-element vectors.

Alphabet training and testing datasets are imported.

```
In [ ]: loc train = ("Alphabet training.txt")
        loc_test = ("Alphabet_testing.txt")
```

Data is reformatted into input/output train/test arrays

```
In [ ]: f = open(loc_train, "r")
        string = f.read()
         array = np.fromstring(string, dtype=int, sep='\n')
        split array = np.array split(array, 78)
        #split array[1]
```

Inputs have 14 features

```
In [ ]: input array = [item[0:14] for item in split array]
        input_array = np.array(input_array)
        input array[0].shape
Out[]: (14,)
```

Look at first 4 inputs

```
In [ ]: | input array[0:4]
Out[ ]: array([[ 8,
                             0,
                                 0,
                                     0,
                                         0,
                                                      0,
                                                          0,
                                                                  0,
                                                                      8],
                     0,
                                                              1,
                                 0,
                                     0,
                     0,
                                                                 0, 11],
               [ 7,
                         0, 0,
                                         0, 0,
                                                     0,
                                                         0,
                                                              0,
                                     0,
               [12, 10, 1, 1,
                                 0,
                                         0,
                                             4,
                                                 6,
                                                     0,
                                                         0,
                                                              0,
                                                                 0,
                                                                      2],
                                         1,
                                                     0,
                                                         2,
                                                             0,
               [21, 10,
                        4,
                                                                      2]])
                                 0,
                                     1,
                                             0,
                                                 5,
```

Outputs have 26 classes, for all 26 letters

```
In [ ]: | output_array = [item[14:] for item in split_array]
        output array = np.array(output array)
        output array[0].shape
Out[]: (26,)
```

Look at first 4 outputs

```
In [ ]: | output array[0:4]
0, 0, 0, 0],
          0, 0, 0, 0],
          0, 0, 0, 0],
          0, 0, 0, 0]])
In [ ]: f = open(loc test, "r")
     string = f.read()
     array = np.fromstring(string, dtype=int, sep='\n')
     split array = np.array split(array, 78)
     #split array[1]
In [ ]: input test array = [item[0:14] for item in split array]
     input test array = np.array(input array)
     #input_test_array[0].shape
In [ ]: | output_test_array = [item[14:] for item in split_array]
     output test array = np.array(output test array)
     #output_test_array
```

Normalization/Scaling: Normalization or scaling is not needed here. This procdure is provided with an even dataset of all different 26 letters in each of 3 fonts. With the letter image input/output, essentially already hot coded, the data is ready to be input into a model.

Next, the Keras Model is defined.

- The keras model defined includes 2 rectified linear functions, 1 drop out to prevent overfitting, and 1 sigmoid layer, respectively.
- The specific layer values (shape, drop out rate, etc.) are decided by the bayesian optimizer below.

```
In [ ]: # Defining various initialization parameters for MLP model
        num features = input array.shape[1]
        num_classes = output_array.shape[1]
        # Let's create a helper function first which builds the model with various par
        def get model(input dim, dense 0 neurons, dense 1 neurons, dropout rate, num c
        lasses):
            # Builds a Sequential MLP model using Keras and returns it
            # Define the keras model
            model = Sequential()
            model.add(Dense(dense 0 neurons, input dim=input dim, activation='relu', n
        ame="dense 1"))
            model.add(Dense(dense 1 neurons, activation='relu', name="dense 2"))
            model.add(Dropout(dropout_rate, name="dropout"))
            model.add(Dense(num classes, activation='sigmoid', name="dense 3"))
            return model
```

The model takes 14 input features, and outputs 26 classes

```
In [ ]: print('# Features: ' , num_features)
    print('# Classes: ' , num_classes)
            # Features: 14
            # Classes: 26
```

Next, the following functions are set up for the Bayesian Optimizer

- The model is built for optimization using categorical cross entropy as the loss function, stochastic gradient descent for optimization, and accuracy as the performance metric. Batch size is 26, chosen becuase it's approximately 1/3 of the size of the training dataset.
- Because of the nature of the dataset, I decided not to take out part of the training dataset for validation. Cross-fold validation makes less sense, because there are only three records of each letter, of a differe font each, it seems more optimal to focus on accuracy compared to the test dataset and utilize on the training records for training.

```
In [ ]: |#Bayesian Optimizer
        def fit with(num features, num classes, verbose, dense 0 neurons x20, dense 1
        neurons x26, dropout rate):
            # Calculate true hyperparameter values for discrete variables.
            dense_0_neurons = max(int(dense_0_neurons_x20 * 20), 20)
            dense 1 neurons = max(int(dense 1 neurons x26 * 26), 26)
            # Create the model using a specified hyperparameters.
            model = get_model(num_features, dense_0_neurons, dense_1_neurons, dropout_
        rate, num classes)
            # Compile the keras model for a specified number of epochs.
            model.compile(loss='categorical crossentropy',
                          optimizer='adam',
                          metrics=['accuracy'])
            # Fit keras model
            history = model.fit(input_array, output_array,
                                 epochs=5,
                                 batch size=26, #3 batches for 78 Length dataset
                                 validation_split = 0.00,
                                 verbose=verbose)
            # Evaluate the model with the eval dataset.
            score = model.evaluate(input_array, output_array,
                                           batch size=26, verbose=0)
            print('Test loss:', score[0], ' Test accuracy:', score[1])
            # Return the accuracy.
            return score[1]
        from functools import partial
        verbose = 1
        fit_with_partial = partial(fit_with, num_features, num_classes, verbose) # Han
        dles fixed parameters during optimization
```

Bayesian Optimizer is run, with accuracy and loss output at each iteration.

```
In [ ]: # Bounded region of parameter space
        pbounds = {'dense_0_neurons_x20': (0.9, 4.1), 'dense_1_neurons_x26': (0.9, 4.1)
        ), 'dropout_rate': (0, 0.3)}
        optimizer = BayesianOptimization(
            f=fit_with_partial,
            pbounds=pbounds,
            verbose=1, # verbose = 1 prints only when a maximum is observed, verbose
         = 0 is silent
            random_state=1,
        optimizer.maximize(init_points=3, n_iter=5)
        for i, res in enumerate(optimizer.res):
            print("Iteration {}: \n\t{}".format(i, res))
        print(optimizer.max)
```

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Epoch 1/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 4.2215 - accuracy:
0.0128
Epoch 2/5
0.0513
Epoch 3/5
3/3 [================== ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.5691 - accuracy:
0.0641
Epoch 4/5
0.0641
Epoch 5/5
3/3 [================ ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.1399 - accuracy:
0.1410
Test loss: 3.014878273010254 Test accuracy: 0.19230769574642181
Epoch 1/5
0.0128
Epoch 2/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 4ms/step - loss: 3.8700 - accuracy:
0.0385
Epoch 3/5
0.0641
Epoch 4/5
3/3 [================== ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 3.4968 - accuracy:
0.0897
Epoch 5/5
0.1154
Test loss: 3.2263238430023193 Test accuracy: 0.10256410390138626
Epoch 1/5
0.0385
Epoch 2/5
0.0385
Epoch 3/5
0.0385
Epoch 4/5
0.0641
Epoch 5/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 4.1401 - accuracy:
0.0385
Test loss: 3.800814151763916 Test accuracy: 0.05128205195069313
Epoch 1/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.9000 - accuracy:
0.0513
Epoch 2/5
0.1026
Epoch 3/5
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3/3 [================= ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.0505 - accuracy:
0.1154
Epoch 4/5
3/3 [============ ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 2.8150 - accuracy:
0.2179
Epoch 5/5
Test loss: 2.5153563022613525 Test accuracy: 0.28205129504203796
4
        0.2821 | 2.467
                             3.584
                                    0.0
Epoch 1/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 980us/step - loss: 4.3890 - accurac
y: 0.0385
Epoch 2/5
0.0769
Epoch 3/5
3/3 [================ ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.2449 - accuracy:
0.1282
Epoch 4/5
0.1923
Epoch 5/5
0.2436
WARNING:tensorflow:5 out of the last 13 calls to <function Model.make test fu
nction.<locals>.test function at 0x000002B663697D90> triggered tf.function re
tracing. Tracing is expensive and the excessive number of tracings could be d
ue to (1) creating @tf.function repeatedly in a loop, (2) passing tensors wit
h different shapes, (3) passing Python objects instead of tensors. For (1), p
lease define your @tf.function outside of the loop. For (2), @tf.function has
experimental relax shapes=True option that relaxes argument shapes that can a
void unnecessary retracing. For (3), please refer to https://www.tensorflow.o
rg/guide/function#controlling_retracing and https://www.tensorflow.org/api_do
cs/python/tf/function for more details.
Test loss: 2.618356704711914
                        Test accuracy: 0.28205129504203796
Epoch 1/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 5.1556 - accuracy:
0.0385
Epoch 2/5
3/3 [================ ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 4.3221 - accuracy:
0.0641
Epoch 3/5
0.0385
Epoch 4/5
0.0641
Epoch 5/5
0.0897
WARNING:tensorflow:5 out of the last 13 calls to <function Model.make test fu
nction.<locals>.test_function at 0x000002B660541E18> triggered tf.function re
tracing. Tracing is expensive and the excessive number of tracings could be d
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rg/guide/function#controlling_retracing and https://www.tensorflow.org/api_do
cs/python/tf/function for more details.
Test loss: 2.9034955501556396
                         Test accuracy: 0.20512820780277252
Epoch 1/5
0.0641
Epoch 2/5
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Epoch 3/5
3/3 [================ ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 4.1238 - accuracy:
0.0000e+00
Epoch 4/5
0.0897
Epoch 5/5
3/3 [================ ] - 0s 2ms/step - loss: 3.5110 - accuracy:
0.1154
Test loss: 3.03466796875 Test accuracy: 0.12820513546466827
Epoch 1/5
3/3 [================= ] - 1s 3ms/step - loss: 4.5647 - accuracy:
0.0513
Epoch 2/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 4.0419 - accuracy:
0.0641
Epoch 3/5
0.0769
Epoch 4/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 3.3612 - accuracy:
0.1538
Epoch 5/5
3/3 [================= ] - 0s 3ms/step - loss: 3.1426 - accuracy:
0.0897
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Iteration 0:
      {'target': 0.19230769574642181, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 2.2
344704150482366, 'dense 1 neurons x26': 3.2050383790149057, 'dropout rate':
3.431244520346599e-05}}
Iteration 1:
      {'target': 0.10256410390138626, 'params': {'dense 0 neurons x20': 1.8
67464232421887, 'dense 1 neurons x26': 1.3696188506147617, 'dropout rate': 0.
027701578430639338}}
Iteration 2:
      {'target': 0.05128205195069313, 'params': {'dense 0 neurons x20': 1.4
96032676408547, 'dense_1_neurons_x26': 2.0057943265377527, 'dropout_rate': 0.
11903024226920098}}
Iteration 3:
      {'target': 0.28205129504203796, 'params': {'dense 0 neurons x20': 2.4
674282621214614, 'dense_1_neurons_x26': 3.584222107697829, 'dropout_rate': 0.
0}}
Iteration 4:
      {'target': 0.28205129504203796, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 2.9
826344992892206, 'dense_1_neurons_x26': 4.1, 'dropout_rate': 0.0}}
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Iteration 5:
        {'target': 0.20512820780277252, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 3.8
66282501640661, 'dense_1_neurons_x26': 3.2093844995321517, 'dropout_rate': 0.
3}}
Iteration 6:
        {'target': 0.12820513546466827, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 1.9
813285262869598, 'dense_1_neurons_x26': 4.1, 'dropout_rate': 0.3}}
Iteration 7:
        {'target': 0.10256410390138626, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 2.2
49315123810971, 'dense 1 neurons x26': 3.227095635576439, 'dropout rate': 0.0
11135850983025785}}
{'target': 0.28205129504203796, 'params': {'dense_0_neurons_x20': 2.467428262
1214614, 'dense 1 neurons x26': 3.584222107697829, 'dropout rate': 0.0}}
```

Learning with Hyper-parameter setting

With the hyper-parameter tuning, we can see that the accuracy does go up - for training.

```
In [ ]: # Create the model using a specified hyperparameters.
        dense 0 neurons=2.47*20; dense 1 neurons=3.58*26; dropout rate=0.0 #hyper-para
        meters found above are used as 3.8 and 3.53
        model = get model(num features, dense 0 neurons, dense 1 neurons, dropout rate
        , num_classes)
        # Compile the keras model for a specified number of epochs.
        model.compile(loss='categorical crossentropy',
                          optimizer='adam',
                          metrics=['accuracy'])
        # Fit keras model
        history = model.fit(input_array, output_array, epochs=35, batch_size=26,
                                 validation split = 0.00, verbose=2)
        # Evaluate the model with the eval dataset.
        score = model.evaluate(input_test_array, output_test_array,
                                           batch_size=26, verbose=0)
        print('Test loss:', score[0], ' Test accuracy:', score[1])
```

```
Epoch 1/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 3.6829 - accuracy: 0.0769 - 297ms/epoch - 99ms/step
Epoch 2/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 3.3143 - accuracy: 0.0897 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 3/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 3.0633 - accuracy: 0.1154 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 4/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.8862 - accuracy: 0.1538 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 5/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.7351 - accuracy: 0.2564 - 8ms/epoch - 3ms/step
Epoch 6/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.5933 - accuracy: 0.2308 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 7/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.4724 - accuracy: 0.2564 - 8ms/epoch - 3ms/step
Epoch 8/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.3499 - accuracy: 0.4103 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 9/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.2339 - accuracy: 0.4615 - 7ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 10/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.1264 - accuracy: 0.4872 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 11/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 2.0287 - accuracy: 0.5513 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 12/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.9278 - accuracy: 0.6282 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 13/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.8400 - accuracy: 0.6667 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 14/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.7527 - accuracy: 0.6923 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 15/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.6721 - accuracy: 0.6667 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 16/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.5931 - accuracy: 0.6795 - 7ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 17/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.5195 - accuracy: 0.7308 - 3ms/epoch - 997us/step
Epoch 18/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.4534 - accuracy: 0.7051 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 19/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.3863 - accuracy: 0.7308 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 20/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.3202 - accuracy: 0.7308 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 21/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.2601 - accuracy: 0.7436 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 22/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.2021 - accuracy: 0.7564 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 23/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.1458 - accuracy: 0.7821 - 8ms/epoch - 3ms/step
Epoch 24/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.0957 - accuracy: 0.8077 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 25/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 1.0442 - accuracy: 0.7949 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 26/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.9982 - accuracy: 0.7949 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 27/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.9574 - accuracy: 0.7949 - 8ms/epoch - 3ms/step
Epoch 28/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.9117 - accuracy: 0.8333 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 29/35
```

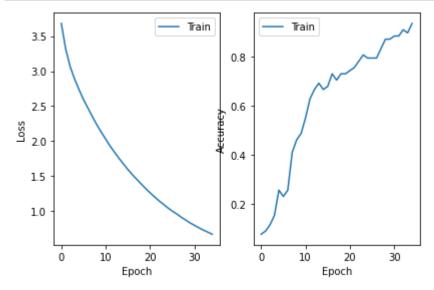
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3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.8706 - accuracy: 0.8718 - 7ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 30/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.8298 - accuracy: 0.8718 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 31/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.7938 - accuracy: 0.8846 - 6ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 32/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.7593 - accuracy: 0.8846 - 5ms/epoch - 2ms/step
Epoch 33/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.7257 - accuracy: 0.9103 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 34/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.6968 - accuracy: 0.8974 - 4ms/epoch - 1ms/step
Epoch 35/35
3/3 - 0s - loss: 0.6673 - accuracy: 0.9359 - 3ms/epoch - 997us/step
Test loss: 0.6436604261398315 Test accuracy: 0.9358974099159241
```

 Looking at the output, we can see that the model creates an approximate 94% accuracy against the training dataset.

Training History

```
In [ ]: # Define function for plotting history
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        def plot_metrics(history):
          metrics = ['loss', 'accuracy']
          for n, metric in enumerate(metrics):
            name = metric.replace("_"," ").capitalize()
            plt.subplot(1,2,n+1)
            plt.tight layout()
            plt.plot(history.epoch, history.history[metric], color=colors[0], label=
         'Train')
            #plt.plot(history.epoch, history.history['val '+metric],
                      color=colors[0], linestyle="--", label='Val')
            plt.xlabel('Epoch')
            plt.ylabel(name)
            plt.legend()
```

```
# Plot the training/validation history of our Keras model
colors = plt.rcParams['axes.prop_cycle'].by_key()['color']
plot metrics(history)
#warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
```



• The above charts above show the loss getting lower and the accuracy getting better per epoch. The accuracy increases less with a flatter slope around epoch 30, indicated the right number of epochs.

Performance Evaluation

```
In [ ]:
        def plot_cm(labels, predictions):
           cm = confusion matrix(labels, predictions)
           plt.figure(figsize=(8,8))
           sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d")
          plt.title('Confusion Matrix')
          plt.ylabel('Actual label')
          plt.xlabel('Predicted label')
```

Make output predictions using test data

```
In [ ]:
        #Predictions
        y_test_predictions = (model.predict(input_test_array, batch_size = 26) > 0.5).
        astype("int32")
        #y_test_predictions
```

Compare predicted test output against actual

```
In [ ]: #Create Confusion matrix
        #y_test_predictions = model.predict_classes(input_test_array, batch_size=26)
        y_test_predictions = (model.predict(input_test_array, batch_size = 26) > 0.5).
        astype("int32")
        baseline_results = model.evaluate(input_test_array, output_test_array,
                                           batch size=26, verbose=0)
        for name, value in zip(model.metrics names, baseline results):
          print(name, ': ', value)
        print()
        #plot_cm(output_test_array, y_test_predictions)
```

loss: 0.6436604261398315 accuracy: 0.9358974099159241

The model performs well on the test data well, with 84% accuracy.

```
In []: #save final model to reload in the future
        model.save('dnn_model_CharRecognition')
```

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