

# Why ReLU networks yield high-confidence predictions far away from the training data and how to mitigate the problem(CVPR 2019 Oral)

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# Overview

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# Problem

- For many popular deep learning models,
- High confidence output can be made for out-of-distribution data.
- Also, often produce over-confident predictions in original tasks.

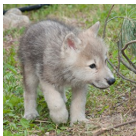
# Importance of uncertainty Quantification

- Deep learning models may fail in the case of noisy data or out-of-distribution data.

Train time



rabbit: **0.8** / wolf: 0.2



rabbit: 0.3 / wolf: **0.7**

Test time



rabbit: 0.1 / wolf: **0.9**

## ① Useful Solutions

- Dropout as a bayesian approximation: Representing model uncertainty in deep learning.(ICML 2016)
- On calibration of modern neural networks.(ICML 2017)
- Simple and scalable predictive uncertainty estimation using deep ensembles.(NIPS 2017)
- Also, there exist classifiers which is not being confident in areas where one has never seen data.(ex. RBF networks)

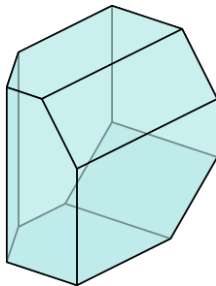
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# Affine

- ① For a function  $f : U \rightarrow V$ , we call it **linear** if,
  - $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$
  - $\alpha f(x) = f(\alpha x)$
  - For  $\forall x, y \in U$
- ② For a function  $f : U \rightarrow V$ , we call it **affine** if,
  - $\exists b \in V$  such that  $f = \bar{f} + b$  and  $\bar{f}$  is linear function.
- ③ Linear function  $\subset$  Affine function

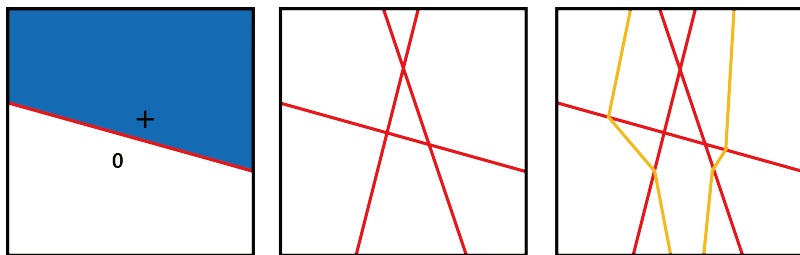


# Polytope



- Polygon in arbitrary dimensional space.

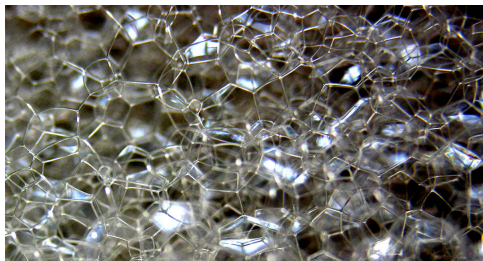
# Polytope



- Let each red line in figure is equal to  $w_{\cdot,i}^T x + b_i = 0$  at first layer.
- If the red line is separation at first layer, separation at second layer is like orange line.
- Each ReLU activation can be considered as dividing input space into two parts.

# Piecewise Affine

- A function  $f$  is called **piecewise affine** if there exists finite set of polytopes  $\{Q_r\}_{r=1}^M$  such that  $\bigcup_{r=1}^M Q_r = \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $f$  is affine function in each  $Q_r$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots, M$ .



# Neural Network

- Let  $W^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l \times n_{l-1}}$  and  $b^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_l}$  for  $l = 1, 2, \dots, L$  are parameters.

- Then, ReLU Network can be expressed as:

$$f^{(k)}(x) = W^{(k)} \text{ReLU}(f^{(k-1)}) + b^{(k)}, \quad k = 1, \dots, L$$

# Neural Network

- Define a function

$$\Sigma^{(l)}(x)_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \text{ and } f_i^{(l)}(x) > 0, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

# Neural Network

- $$\begin{aligned} f^{(k)}(x) &= W^{(k)} \Sigma^{(k-1)}(x) \left( W^{(k-1)} \Sigma^{(k-2)}(x) \right. \\ &\quad \times \left( \dots \left( W^{(1)} x + b^{(1)} \right) \dots \right) + b^{(k-1)} \Big) + b^{(k)} \\ &= V^{(k)} \cdot x + a^{(k)} \\ \text{for } k &= 1, \dots, L \quad \text{with} \quad V^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times d} \quad \text{and} \quad a^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k} \end{aligned}$$

# Neural Network

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$$= V^{(k)} \cdot x + a^{(k)}$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, L$  with  $V^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k \times d}$  and  $a^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_k}$

$$V^{(k)} = W^{(k)} \left( \prod_{l=1}^{k-1} \Sigma^{(k-l)}(x) W^{(k-l)} \right) \\ a^{(k)} = b^{(k)} + \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} \left( \prod_{m=1}^{k-l} W^{(k+1-m)} \Sigma^{(k-m)}(x) \right) b^{(l)}$$

# Conclusion

- ReLU network = piecewise affine function + softmax.
- Similarly, many activation functions, including leaky ReLU can be shown to be piecewise affine.
- Fully connected, Convolution with average/max pooling, Residual layers are included.



# Implications

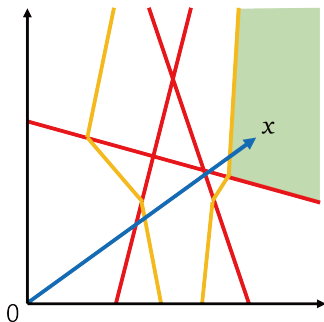
- Entire ReLU network is just simple softmax classifier when domain is restricted to each polytope.

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# Lemma 3.1

Let ReLU-classifier divide input space to set of linear regions  $\{Q_l\}_{l=1}^R$ .

Then, any point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  in input space, there exist  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $a > 0$ , such that  $\beta x \in Q_t$  for all  $\beta \geq a$ ,  $t \in \{1, \dots, R\}$ .



# Theorem 3.1

If the softmax input of ReLU network is piecewise affine function,  
for almost any input  $x$  and any threshold level  $0 < t < 1$ ,  
there exists some constant  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\frac{e^{f_k(\alpha x)}}{\sum_{r=1}^K e^{f_r(\alpha x)}} \geq t$$

# Theorem 3.1

And also, 
$$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{f_k(\alpha x)}}{\sum_{r=1}^K e^{f_r(\alpha x)}} = 1$$

# Limitation

- Author assumed  $\mathbb{R}^d$  as input space, but many applications assume  $[0, 1]^d$  as input space.
- In these cases, theorem does not directly applied.
- But empirically, training in bounded domain shows same problems.

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- Author proposed two methods:
  - Confidence Enhancing Data Augmentation(CEDA)
  - Adversarial Confidence Enhanced Training(ACET)



# Confidence Enhancing Data Augmentation(CEDA)

- In image classification problem:
  - ① Assume the type of out-of-distribution data in domain.  
(For example, Uniform distribution on  $[0, 1]^{c \times w \times h}$ )
  - ② Sample random noise from distribution.
  - ③ Forward noise image to model and get softmax probabilities.
  - ④ Minimize the maximum log softmax value.

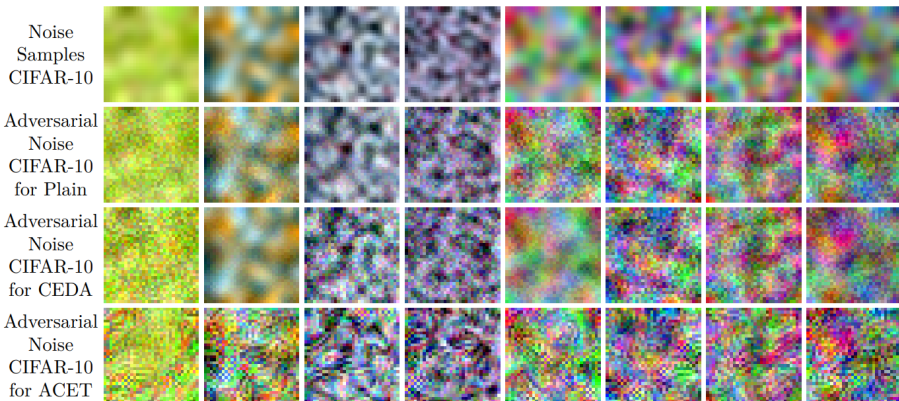
$$\Rightarrow \text{Regularizer} \quad \lambda \mathbb{E} \left[ \max_{l=1, \dots, K} \log \left( \frac{e^{f_l(z)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{f_l(z)}} \right) \right]$$

# Adversarial Confidence Enhanced Training(ACET)

- However, CEDA may need multiple sampling and forward which will yield high computational costs.
- Inspired by adversarial training, author proposed more easier and more scalable method.

- Modified regularizer  $\lambda \mathbb{E} \left[ \max_{\|u-z\|_p \leq \epsilon} \max_{l=1, \dots, K} \log \left( \frac{e^{f_l(z)}}{\sum_{k=1}^K e^{f_l(z)}} \right) \right]$

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Trained on <b>MNIST</b>	Plain (TE: <b>0.51%</b> )			CEDA (TE: 0.74%)			ACET (TE: 0.66%)		
	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95
MNIST	<b>0.991</b>	–	–	0.987	–	–	0.986	–	–
FMNIST	0.654	0.972	0.121	0.373	0.994	0.027	<b>0.239</b>	<b>0.998</b>	<b>0.003</b>
EMNIST	0.821	0.883	0.374	0.787	0.895	0.358	<b>0.752</b>	<b>0.912</b>	<b>0.313</b>
grayCIFAR-10	0.492	0.996	0.003	0.105	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.101</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Noise	0.463	0.998	0.000	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Adv. Noise	1.000	0.031	1.000	<b>0.102</b>	<b>0.998</b>	<b>0.002</b>	0.162	0.992	0.042
Adv. Samples	0.999	0.358	0.992	0.987	0.549	0.953	<b>0.854</b>	<b>0.692</b>	<b>0.782</b>
Trained on <b>SVHN</b>	Plain (TE: <b>3.53%</b> )			CEDA (TE: 3.50%)			ACET (TE: 3.52%)		
	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95
SVHN	<b>0.980</b>	–	–	0.977	–	–	0.978	–	–
CIFAR-10	0.732	0.938	0.348	0.551	0.960	0.209	<b>0.435</b>	<b>0.973</b>	<b>0.140</b>
CIFAR-100	0.730	0.935	0.350	0.527	0.959	0.205	<b>0.414</b>	<b>0.971</b>	<b>0.139</b>
LSUN CR	0.722	0.945	0.324	0.364	0.984	0.084	<b>0.148</b>	<b>0.997</b>	<b>0.012</b>
Imagenet-	0.725	0.939	0.340	0.574	0.955	0.232	<b>0.368</b>	<b>0.977</b>	<b>0.113</b>
Noise	0.720	0.943	0.325	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Adv. Noise	1.000	0.004	1.000	0.946	0.062	0.940	<b>0.101</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Adv. Samples	1.000	0.004	1.000	0.995	0.009	0.994	<b>0.369</b>	<b>0.778</b>	<b>0.279</b>
Trained on <b>CIFAR-10</b>	Plain (TE: 8.87%)			CEDA (TE: 8.87%)			ACET (TE: <b>8.44%</b> )		
	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95
CIFAR-10	<b>0.949</b>	–	–	0.946	–	–	0.948	–	–
SVHN	0.800	0.850	0.783	0.327	0.978	0.146	<b>0.263</b>	<b>0.981</b>	<b>0.118</b>
CIFAR-100	0.764	0.856	0.715	<b>0.761</b>	<b>0.850</b>	0.720	0.764	0.852	<b>0.711</b>
LSUN CR	0.738	<b>0.872</b>	<b>0.667</b>	<b>0.735</b>	0.864	0.680	0.745	0.858	0.677
Imagenet-	0.757	0.858	0.698	0.749	0.853	0.704	<b>0.744</b>	<b>0.859</b>	<b>0.678</b>
Noise	0.825	0.827	0.818	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.100</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Adv. Noise	1.000	0.035	1.000	0.985	0.032	0.983	<b>0.112</b>	<b>0.999</b>	<b>0.008</b>
Adv. Samples	1.000	0.034	1.000	1.000	0.014	1.000	<b>0.633</b>	<b>0.512</b>	<b>0.590</b>
Trained on <b>CIFAR-100</b>	Plain (TE: <b>31.97%</b> )			CEDA (TE: 32.74%)			ACET (TE: 32.24%)		
	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95	MMC	AUROC	FPR@95
CIFAR-100	<b>0.751</b>	–	–	0.734	–	–	0.728	–	–
SVHN	0.570	0.710	0.865	0.290	0.874	0.410	<b>0.234</b>	<b>0.912</b>	<b>0.345</b>
CIFAR-10	0.560	0.718	0.856	0.547	0.711	0.855	<b>0.530</b>	<b>0.720</b>	<b>0.860</b>
LSUN CR	0.592	0.690	0.887	0.581	0.678	0.887	<b>0.554</b>	<b>0.698</b>	<b>0.881</b>
Imagenet-	0.531	0.744	0.827	0.504	0.749	0.808	<b>0.492</b>	<b>0.752</b>	<b>0.819</b>
Noise	0.614	0.672	0.928	0.010	1.000	0.000	<b>0.010</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.000</b>
Adv. Noise	1.000	0.000	1.000	0.985	0.015	0.985	<b>0.013</b>	<b>0.998</b>	<b>0.003</b>
Adv. Samples	0.999	0.010	1.000	0.999	0.012	1.000	<b>0.863</b>	<b>0.267</b>	<b>0.975</b>

# Summary

- ReLU networks always make high confidence predictions far away from training data.
- Temperature rescaling and reject option does not help.
- Using modified training similar to adversarial training, we can reduce high confidence problem at out-of-distribution data.