

1. History

1.1 Perceptron

Threshold Unit
 $f[w, b](x) = \text{sign}(x \cdot w + b)$ where $x \cdot w := \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i$

Decision Boundary
 $x \cdot w + b \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{x \cdot w}{\|w\|} + \frac{b}{\|w\|} \neq 0$
 $x \cdot w + b = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w \\ b \end{bmatrix} =: \tilde{x} \cdot \tilde{w}, \quad \tilde{x}, \tilde{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$

Geometric Margin
 $\gamma[w, b](x, y) := \frac{y(x \cdot w + b)}{\|w\|}$

Maximum Margin Classifier
 $(w^*, b^*) \in \operatorname{argmax}_{w, b} \gamma[w, b](S)$ with $\gamma[w, b](S) := \min_{(x, y) \in S} \gamma[w, b](x, y)$

Perceptron Learning
if $f[w, b](x) \neq y$: update $w \leftarrow w + yx$, and $b \leftarrow b + y$
 $w_0 \in \operatorname{span}(x_1, \dots, x_s) \Rightarrow w_t \in \operatorname{span}(x_1, \dots, x_s) (\forall t)$

Convergence
 $\exists w, \|w\| = 1$, that $\gamma[w](S) = \gamma > 0 \Rightarrow w_t \cdot w \geq t\gamma$.
 $R = \max_{x \in S} \|x\| \Rightarrow \|w_t\| \leq R\sqrt{t}$
 $\cos \angle(w, w_t) = \frac{w \cdot w_t}{\|w_t\|} \geq \frac{\sqrt{t}\gamma}{tR} = \frac{\gamma}{R\sqrt{t}} \leq 1 \Rightarrow t \leq \frac{R^2}{\gamma^2}$

Covers Theorem
 $C(s+1, n) = 2 \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{s}{i}$
 $C(S, n)$: Number of ways to separate S with n dimensions.
 $C(s, n) = 2s$ for $s \leq n$
Phase transition at $s = 2n$. For $s > 2n$ empty version space is the exception.

1.2 Hopfield Networks

Hopfield Model
 $E(X) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} w_{ij} X_i X_j + \sum_i b_i X_i$ where $X_i \in \{-1, +1\}$
 $w_{ij} = w_{ji} \ (\forall i, j)$, $w_{ii} = 0 \ (\forall i)$: Interaction strengths

Hebbian Learning
 $x^t \in \{\pm 1\}^n \ (1 \leq t \leq s)$, $w_{ij} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^s x_i^t x_j^t$,
 $W = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^s x^t (x^t)^\top$

2. Feedforward Networks

2.1 Linear Models

Linear regression
 $h[w](S) = \frac{1}{2s} \|Xw - y\|^2, \ \nabla h = 2X^\top Xw - 2X^\top y$

Moore-Penrose inverse solution
 $w^* = X^+ y = \operatorname{argmin}_w h[w]$ where $X^+ := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (X^\top X + \epsilon I)^{-1} X^\top$

SGD update
 $w_{t+1} := w_t + \eta(y_{i_t} - w_t^\top x_{i_t})x_{i_t}$ with $i_t \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Uniform}(1, \dots, s)$

Gaussian noise model
 $y_i = w^\top x_i + \epsilon_i$, $\epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$. Least squares \equiv neg log likelihood.

Ridge regression
 $h_\lambda[w] := h[w] + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|w\|^2$, $w^* = (XX^\top + \lambda I)^{-1} X^\top y$

Logistic function
 $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}, \ \sigma(z) + \sigma(-z) = 1, \ \sigma' = \sigma(1-\sigma)$

Cross entropy loss
 $\ell(y, z) = -y \log \sigma(z) - (1-y) \log(1-\sigma(z)) = -\log \sigma((2y-1)z)$

Logistic regression gradient
 $\nabla \ell_i = [\sigma(w^\top x_i) - y_i] x_i$

2.2 Feedforward Networks

Generic feedforward layer
 $F: \mathbb{R}^{m(n+1)} \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, \ F[\theta](x) := \varphi(Wx + b), \ \theta := (W, b)$

Composition of layers
 $G = F_L[\theta_L] \circ \dots \circ F_1[\theta_1]$ where $F_l[W^l, b^l](x) := \varphi_l(W^l x + b^l)$

Layer activations
 $x^l := (F_l \circ \dots \circ F_1)(x) = F_l(x^{l-1}), \ x^0 = x, \ x^L = F(x)$

Softmax function
 $\text{softmax}(z)_i = \frac{e^{z_i}}{\sum_j e^{z_j}}, \quad \ell(y; z) = \left[-zy + \log \sum_j e^{z_j}\right] \frac{1}{\ln 2}$

Residual layer
 $F[W, b](x) = x + [\varphi(Wx + b) - \varphi(0)]$, therefore $F[0, 0] = \text{id}$

2.3 Sigmoid Networks

Sigmoid/Tanh activations
 $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}, \ \tanh(z) = 2\sigma(2z) - 1, \ \tanh'(z) = 1 - \tanh^2(z)$

Barron’s Theorem
For f with finite $C_f := \int \|\omega\| |\hat{f}(\omega)| d\omega$, \exists MLP g with width m : $\int_B (f - g_m)^2 \mu(dx) \leq O(1/m)$

2.4 ReLU Networks

ReLU activation
 $\varphi(z) := (z)_+ := \max\{0, z\}$. ReLU networks are universal function approximators.

Zaslavsky: Connected regions
 $R(H) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\min\{n, m\}} \binom{m}{i} := R(m)$

Montufar: Connected regions
 $R(m, L) \geq R(m) \lfloor \frac{m}{n} \rfloor^{n(L-1)} \ (L: \text{layers}, m: \text{width})$

3. Gradient-Based Learning

3.1 Backpropagation

Parameter derivatives
 $\frac{\partial x_i^l}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \dot{\varphi}_i^l x_j^{l-1}, \ \frac{\partial x_i^l}{\partial b_i^l} = \dot{\varphi}_i^l$ where $\dot{\varphi}_i^l := \varphi'^l((w_i^l)^\top x^{l-1} + b_i^l)$

Loss derivatives
 $\frac{\partial h}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \delta_i^l \dot{\varphi}_i^l x_j^{l-1}, \ \frac{\partial h}{\partial b_i^l} = \delta_i^l \dot{\varphi}_i^l$ with $\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial h}{\partial x_i^l} \dot{\varphi}_i^l$

3.2 Gradient Descent

GD update & flow
 $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \eta \nabla h(\theta_t)$, ODE: $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = -\nabla h(\theta)$

L-smoothness
 $\|\nabla h(\theta_1) - \nabla h(\theta_2)\| \leq L \|\theta_1 - \theta_2\|, \ \lambda_{\max}(\nabla^2 h) \leq L$
 $\ell(w) - \ell(w') \leq \nabla \ell(w')^\top (w - w') + \frac{L}{2} \|w - w'\|_2^2$

Polyak-Łojasiewicz
 $\frac{1}{2} \|\nabla h(\theta)\|^2 \geq \mu(h(\theta) - \min h) \ (\forall \theta)$

Convergence rate
 $\eta = 1/L \Rightarrow t = \frac{2L}{\epsilon^2} (h(\theta^0) - \min h)$ for ϵ -critical. With PL: $h(\theta^t) - \min h \leq (1 - \frac{\mu}{L})^t (h(\theta^0) - \min h)$

3.3 Acceleration and Adaptivity

Heavy ball momentum
 $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \eta \nabla h(\theta_t) + \beta(\theta_t - \theta_{t-1})$

Nesterov acceleration
 $\tilde{\theta}_{t+1} = \theta_t + \beta(\theta_t - \theta_{t-1}), \ \theta_{t+1} = \tilde{\theta}_{t+1} - \eta \nabla h(\tilde{\theta}_{t+1})$

AdaGrad
 $\theta_{t+1}^i = \theta_t^i - \eta_i^t \partial_i h(\theta^t), \ \nu_t^i = \nu_{t-1}^i + [\partial_i h]^2, \ \eta_t^i = \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{\nu_t^i + \epsilon}}$

Adam
 $g_t^i = \beta g_{t-1}^i + (1-\beta) \partial_i h, \ \nu_t^i = \alpha \nu_{t-1}^i + (1-\alpha) [\partial_i h]^2, \ \theta_{t+1}^i = \theta_t^i - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{\nu_t^i + \epsilon}} g_t^i$

3.4 SGD

SGD update & variance
 $\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \eta \nabla h(\theta^t)(x_{it}, y_{it}), \quad V[\theta] = \frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^s \|\nabla h(S) - \nabla h(x_i, y_i)\|^2$

SGD convergence
General: $O(1/\sqrt{t})$, Strongly convex: $O(\log t/t)$, Additionally smooth: $O(1/t)$

3.5 Function properties

Convexity
 $\ell(\lambda w + (1-\lambda)w') \leq \lambda \ell(w) + (1-\lambda) \ell(w'), \ \ell''(x) \geq 0$

Strong convexity
 $\ell(w) \geq \ell(w') + \nabla \ell(w')^\top (w - w') + \frac{\mu}{2} \|w - w'\|_2^2, \ \ell''(x) \geq \mu$

4. Convolutional Networks

4.1 Convolutions

Convolution definition
 $(f * g)(u) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u-t) f(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u-t) g(t) dt$

Fourier property
 $\mathcal{F}(f * g) = \mathcal{F}(f) \cdot \mathcal{F}(g)$

Discrete convolution
 $(f * g)[u] := \sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} f[t] g[u-t]$

Cross-correlation
 $(g \star f)[u] := \sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} g[t] f[u+t]$

Toeplitz matrices
 $(f * g) = \text{Toeplitz-Matrix}(g) f$

4.2 Convolutional Networks

Conventions
Padding: Add zeros around input. Stride: Step size of convolution.

Max-Pooling
Take maximum value in windows (size r)

ConvNets for Images
 $y[r][s, t] = \sum_u \sum_{s', t'} w[r, u][s', t'] \cdot x[u][s + s', t + t']$ (r : output channel, u : input channel)

Parameters count
 $D = \#r \cdot \#u \cdot \#s' \cdot \#t'$ (channels \times window size)

4.3 NLP with ConvNets

Word embedding
word $\omega \mapsto x_\omega \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Conditional log-bilinear model
 $P(\nu|\omega) = \frac{\exp[x_\omega^\top y_\nu]}{\sum_\mu \exp[x_\omega^\top y_\mu]}, \quad \ell_{\omega, \nu} = -x_\omega^\top y_\nu + \ln \sum_\mu \exp[x_\omega^\top y_\mu]$

Negative sampling
 $\tilde{\ell}_{\omega, \nu} = -\ln \sigma(x_\omega^\top y_\nu) - \beta \mathbb{E}_{\mu \sim D} \ln(1 - \sigma(x_\omega^\top y_\mu))$

5. Recurrent Networks

5.1 Simple RNNs

Time evolution
 $z_t := F[\theta](z_{t-1}, x_t), \ z_0 := 0$

Output map
 $\hat{y}_t := G[\psi](z_t)$

RNN parameterization
 $F[U, V](z, x) := \varphi(Uz + Vx), \ G[W](z) := \Phi(Wz)$

BPTT
 $\frac{\partial h}{\partial v_{ij}} = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{\partial h}{\partial z_i^t} \dot{\varphi}_i^t x_j^t, \ \frac{\partial h}{\partial u_{ij}} = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{\partial h}{\partial z_i^t} \dot{\varphi}_i^t z_j^{t-1}$

Spectral norm
 $\|A\|_2 = \max_{x: \|x\|=1} \|Ax\|_2 = \sigma_1(A)$

Gradient norms
 $\frac{\partial z_T}{\partial z_0} = \dot{\Phi}^T U \dots \dot{\Phi}^1 U$. Vanishes if $\sigma_1(U) < 1/\kappa$, explodes if $\sigma_1(U)$ too large.

Bidirectional RNNs
 $\hat{y}_t = \Phi(W z_t + \tilde{W} \tilde{z}_t)$

5.2 Gated Memory

LSTM
 $z_t := \sigma(F \tilde{x}_t) \odot z_{t-1} + \sigma(G \tilde{x}_t) \odot \tanh(V \tilde{x}_t), \ \tilde{x}_t := [x_t, \ell_t], \ \ell_{t+1} = \sigma(H \tilde{x}_t) \odot \tanh(U z_t)$

GRU
 $z_t = (1 - \sigma) \odot z_{t-1} + \sigma \odot \tilde{z}_t, \ \sigma := \sigma(G[x_t, z_{t-1}]), \ \tilde{z}_t := \tanh(V[\ell_t \odot z_{t-1}, x_t])$

5.3 Linear Recurrent Models

Linear state evolution
 $z_{t+1} = A z_t + B x_t$

Diagonal form
 $A = P \Lambda P^{-1}, \ \Lambda := \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m), \ \lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$

Stability
 $\max_j |\lambda_j| \leq 1$

Initialization
 $\lambda_i = \exp(-\exp(\xi_i) + i\theta_i), \ \theta_i \sim \text{Uni}[0; 2\pi], \ r_i \sim \text{Uni}[I]$

Advantages
(i) clear long/short range dependencies (ii) no channel mixing required (iii) parallelizable training

6. Attention and Transformers

6.1 Attention

Attention mixing
$y_s := \sum_t a_{st} W x_t, \, a_{st} \geq 0, \, \sum_t a_{st} = 1, \, Y = W X A^\top$
Query-key matching
$Q = U_Q X, \, K = U_K X, \, Q^\top K = X^\top U_Q^\top U_K X \, \text{ (rank} \leq q \text{)}$
Softmax attention
$A = \text{softmax}(\beta Q^\top K), \, a_{st} = \frac{e^{\beta [Q^\top K]_{st}}}{\sum_r e^{\beta [Q^\top K]_{sr}}}, \text{ usually } \beta = 1/\sqrt{q}$
Feature transformation
$X \mapsto Y \mapsto F(Y), \, F(\theta)(Y) = (F(y_1), \dots, F(y_T))$
Positional encoding
$p_{tk} = \begin{cases} \sin(t\omega_k) & k \text{ even} \\ \cos(t\omega_k) & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}, \, \omega_k = C^{k/K}$
Transformer architecture
Self-attention: attend to its own values in the past. Cross-attention: decoder attends to encoder output.
Vision transformer patch embedding
$\text{patch}_t \mapsto x_t := V(\overrightarrow{\text{patch}_t}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ with } V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (qp^2)}$
GELU activation
$\varphi(z) = z \Pr(z \leq Z), \, Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

7. Geometric Deep Learning

7.1 Sets and Points

Order-invariance
$f(x_1, \dots, x_M) = f(x_{\pi_1}, \dots, x_{\pi_M}) \, \forall \pi \in S_M$
Equivariance
$f(x_{\pi_1}, \dots, x_{\pi_M}) = (y_{\pi_1}, \dots, y_{\pi_M})$
Deep Sets model
$f(x_1, \dots, x_M) = f^l(\sum_{m=1}^M \varphi(x_m))$
Equivariant map
$f^l: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow Y, \, (x_m, \sum_{k=1}^M \varphi(x_k)) \mapsto y_m$

7.2 Graph Conv Networks

Feature & adjacency
$X = [x_1^\top; \dots; x_M^\top], \, A = (a_{nm}) \text{ with } a_{nm} = 1 \text{ if } \{v_n, v_m\} \in E$
Graph invariance
$f(X, A) = f(PX, PAP^\top) \, \forall P$
Graph equivariance
$f(X, A) = Pf(PX, PAP^\top) \, \forall P$
Message passing
$\varphi(x_m, X_m) = \varphi(x_m, \bigoplus_{X_m} \Phi(x)), \, \bigoplus \text{ permutation-invariant}$
Normalized adjacency
$\bar{A} = D^{-1/2}(A + I)D^{-1/2}, \, D = \text{diag}(d_m), \, d_m = 1 + \sum_n a_{nm}$
GCN layer
$X^+ = \sigma(\bar{A} X W)$

7.3 Spectral Graph Theory

Graph Laplacian
$L = D - A, \, (Lx)_n = \sum_m a_{nm} (x_n - x_m)$
Normalized Laplacian
$\tilde{L} = I - D^{-1/2} A D^{-1/2}$

Graph Fourier transform
$L = U \Lambda U^\top$, convolution: $x * y = U((U^\top x) \odot (U^\top y))$
Polynomial kernels
$U(\sum_{k=0}^K \alpha_k \Lambda^k) U^\top = \sum_{k=0}^K \alpha_k L^k$
7.4 Attention GNNs
Attention coupling
$q_{ij} = \text{softmax}(f^l(u^\top (V x_i; V x_j; x_{ij}))) \quad \text{s.t.} \, \sum_j A_{ij} q_{ij} = 1$
Attention propagation
$X^+ = \sigma(Q X W)$

8. Tricks of the Trade

8.1 Initialization

Random initialization
$\theta_i^0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_i^2)$ or $\theta_i^0 \sim \text{Uniform}[-\sqrt{3}\sigma_i; \sqrt{3}\sigma_i]$
LeCun initialization
$w_{ij} \sim \text{Uniform}[-a; a], \, a := 1/\sqrt{n}, \, b_i = 0. \text{ Stabilizes variance.}$
Glorot initialization
$w_{ij} \sim \text{Uniform}[-\sqrt{3}\epsilon; \sqrt{3}\epsilon], \, \epsilon := 2/(n + m). \text{ Stabilizes gradient variance.}$
He initialization
$w_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \epsilon)$ or $\text{Uniform}[-\sqrt{3}\epsilon; \sqrt{3}\epsilon], \, \epsilon := 2/n. \text{ For ReLU (half units active).}$
Orthogonal initialization
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} W \sim \text{Uniform}(O(m)) \text{ s.t. } W^\top W = W W^\top = m I$

8.2 Weight Decay

L_2 regularization
$\mu(\theta) = \frac{\mu}{2} \ \theta\ ^2$
GD with weight decay
$\dot{\theta} = -\eta \nabla E(\theta) - \eta \mu \theta$
Local loss landscape
$\theta_\mu^* = (H + \mu I)^{-1} H \theta^*.$ Minimum shrunk along small eigenvalue directions.
Optimal weight decay
$\mu = \sigma^2/u^2.$ Inverse proportional to signal-to-noise ratio.

8.3 Dropout

Dropout as Ensembling
$p(y x) = \sum_{b \in \{0,1\}^R} p(b) p(y x; b), \, p(b) = \prod_i \phi_i^{b_i} (1 - \phi_i)^{1-b_i}$
Weight scaling for inference
$\tilde{w}_{ij} \leftarrow \phi_{ij} w_{ij}$

8.4 Normalization

Batch normalization
$\bar{f} = \frac{f - \mathbb{E}[f]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}[f]}}, \, \bar{f}[\mu, \epsilon] = \mu + \epsilon \bar{f}$
Weight normalization
$w := \frac{\epsilon}{\ v\ _2} v, \, \partial_\epsilon E = \nabla_w E \cdot \frac{v}{\ v\ _2}$
Layer normalization
$\hat{f}_i = \frac{f_i - \mathbb{E}[f]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}[f]}}, \, \mathbb{E}[f] = \frac{1}{m} \sum_i f_i, \, \mathbb{V}[f] = \frac{1}{m} \sum_i (f_i - \mathbb{E}[f])^2$

8.5 Model Distillation

Tempered cross entropy
$\ell(x) = \sum_y \frac{q \exp[F_y/T]}{\sum_\nu \exp[F_\nu/T]} [\frac{1}{T} G_y - \ln \sum_\nu \exp[G_\nu/T]]$
Distillation gradient
$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial G_y} = \frac{1}{T} [\frac{e^{q F_y/T}}{\sum_\nu e^{F_\nu/T}} - \frac{q e^{G_y/T}}{\sum_\nu e^{G_\nu/T}}]$

9. Theory

9.1 Infinite Width (NTK)

Neural tangent kernel
$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') := \langle \nabla_\theta F(\mathbf{x}; \theta), \nabla_\theta F(\mathbf{x}'; \theta) \rangle$
Gradient flow
$\dot{F}_t = -K_t(F_t - Y), \, K_t := K(X, X; \theta_t)$
Linearized network
$\bar{F}(x) = F(x; \theta_0) + \nabla_\theta F(x; \theta_0)^\top (\theta - \theta_0)$
Lazy training
If width $n \rightarrow \infty$: $K_t \rightarrow K_0$ (deterministic), $F_t \rightarrow \bar{F}_t$ (linear dynamics).
Kernel regression solution
$\bar{F}_\infty = K_0(K_0 + \lambda I)^{-1} Y$
Function space
$\bar{F} \in \mathcal{H}_K \text{ (RKHS)}, \, \ \bar{F}\ _{\mathcal{H}_K}^2 = \theta^\top \theta$

9.2 Bayesian DNNs

Prior
$p(\theta) = \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_p^2 I)$
Likelihood
$p(y x, \theta) = \mathcal{N}(F(x; \theta), \sigma^2)$
Posterior (Laplace approx.)
$p(\theta D) \approx \mathcal{N}(\theta^*, H^{-1}), \, H = \nabla^2 \mathcal{L}(\theta^*)$
Predictive distribution
$p(y x, D) = \int p(y x, \theta) p(\theta D) d\theta$

9.3 GPs & Infinite Width

NNGP kernel
$K_{\text{NNGP}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \mathbb{E}_\theta [F(\mathbf{x}; \theta) F(\mathbf{x}'; \theta)]$ as width $\rightarrow \infty$
GP prior
$F \sim \mathcal{GP}(0, K_{\text{NNGP}})$
Recursive kernel
$K^{(l+1)} = \sigma_w^2 \mathbb{E}_{(u,v) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma(l))} [\phi(u) \phi(v)] + \sigma_b^2$
GP posterior
$F D \sim \mathcal{GP}(\mu_*, K_*), \, \mu_* = K_* X (K_{XX} + \sigma^2 I)^{-1} Y$

9.4 Statistical Learning Theory

Generalization gap
$\mathcal{R}(f) - \hat{\mathcal{R}}(f) = \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [\ell(f(x), y)] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \ell(f(x_i), y_i)$
PAC bound
$\mathbb{P}[\mathcal{R}(f) - \hat{\mathcal{R}}(f) \leq \epsilon] \geq 1 - \delta$
VC dimension
Largest n s.t. \exists data shattered by \mathcal{F} . For linear: $d + 1$.
Rademacher complexity
$\mathcal{R}_n(\mathcal{F}) = \mathbb{E}_{\sigma, S} [\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \sigma_i f(x_i)]$
Generalization bound
$\mathcal{R}(f) \leq \hat{\mathcal{R}}(f) + 2\mathcal{R}_n(\mathcal{F}) + \sqrt{\frac{\ln(1/\delta)}{2n}}$

Bias-variance tradeoff
$\mathbb{E}[(f(x) - y)^2] = \text{Bias}^2 + \text{Var} + \sigma^2$
Double descent
Test error: U-shaped in classical regime, second descent in overparameterized regime.
9.5 Loss Landscape
Critical points
$\nabla \mathcal{L}(\theta^*) = 0.$ Local min: $H \succeq 0.$ Saddle: H indefinite.
Sharpness
$\lambda_{\max}(H).$ Flat minima \rightarrow better generalization.
Mode connectivity
Local minima connected by paths of low loss.
Lottery ticket hypothesis
Sparse subnetworks can match full network performance if initialized correctly.

10. Generative Models

10.1 Variational Auto Encoders

Generative model
$p_\theta(x, z) = p_\theta(x z)p(z), \, p(z) = \mathcal{N}(0, I)$
ELBO
$\ln p_\theta(x) \geq \mathbb{E}_{q_\phi(z x)} [\ln p_\theta(x z)] - D_{KL}(q_\phi(z x) \ p(z))$
Encoder
$q_\phi(z x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_\phi(x), \sigma_\phi^2(x))$
Decoder
$p_\theta(x z) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_\theta(z), \sigma^2 I)$ or Bernoulli
Reparameterization trick
$z = \mu_\phi(x) + \sigma_\phi(x) \odot \epsilon, \, \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$
KL divergence (Gaussian)
$D_{KL} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_j (\mu_j^2 + \sigma_j^2 - \ln \sigma_j^2 - 1)$
β -VAE
$\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{E}_q [\ln p(x z)] - \beta D_{KL}(q \ p).$ $\beta > 1$ for disentanglement.

10.2 Generative Adversarial Networks

Generator
$G: z \mapsto x, \, z \sim p(z)$
Discriminator
$D: x \mapsto [0, 1],$ probability that x is real
GAN objective
$\min_G \max_D \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{\text{data}}} [\ln D(x)] \quad + \quad \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} [\ln(1 - D(G(z)))]$
Optimal discriminator
$D^*(x) = \frac{p_{\text{data}}(x)}{p_{\text{data}}(x) + p_G(x)}$
Generator loss (non-saturating)
$\mathcal{L}_G = -\mathbb{E}_z [\ln D(G(z))]$
Mode collapse
G produces limited diversity. Solutions: minibatch discrimination, feature matching.
Wasserstein GAN
$\min_G \max_{D \in 1\text{-Lip}} \mathbb{E}_x [D(x)] - \mathbb{E}_z [D(G(z))]$
Gradient penalty (WGAN-GP)
$\lambda \mathbb{E}_{\hat{x}} [(\ \nabla_{\hat{x}} D(\hat{x})\ _2 - 1)^2], \, \hat{x} = \alpha x + (1 - \alpha) G(z)$

10.3 Denoising Diffusion

Forward process
$q(x_t x_{t-1}) = \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{1-\beta_t}x_{t-1}, \beta_t I)$
Marginal
$q(x_t x_0) = \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}x_0, (1-\bar{\alpha}_t)I), \bar{\alpha}_t = \prod_{s=1}^t (1-\beta_s)$
Reverse process
$p_\theta(x_{t-1} x_t) = \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1}; \mu_\theta(x_t, t), \sigma_t^2 I)$
Training objective
$\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{E}_{t,x_0,\epsilon}[\ \epsilon - \epsilon_\theta(x_t, t)\ ^2]$

Sampling
$x_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}(x_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}\epsilon_\theta(x_t, t)) + \sigma_t z$
Score function
$\nabla_x \ln p(x) \approx -\frac{\epsilon_\theta(x, t)}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}$
Classifier-free guidance
$\tilde{\epsilon} = (1+w)\epsilon_\theta(x_t, t, c) - w\epsilon_\theta(x_t, t)$
DDIM (deterministic)
$x_{t-1} = \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}(\frac{x_t - \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}\epsilon_\theta}{\sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}}) + \sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_{t-1}}\epsilon_\theta$

11. Ethics

11.1 Adversarial Examples

Adversarial perturbation
$x' = x + \delta, \ \delta\ _p \leq \epsilon, F(x') \neq F(x)$
FGSM (Fast Gradient Sign Method)
$\delta = \epsilon \cdot \text{sign}(\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x, y))$
PGD (Projected Gradient Descent)
$x^{t+1} = \Pi_{B_\epsilon(x)}[x^t + \alpha \cdot \text{sign}(\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(x^t, y))]$

Adversarial training
$\min_\theta \mathbb{E}_{x,y}[\max_{\ \delta\ \leq \epsilon} \mathcal{L}(x + \delta, y; \theta)]$
Certified robustness
Provable guarantees via randomized smoothing, interval bound propagation.
Transferability
Adversarial examples often transfer between models.