

Concept-based Explanations

Human-understandable concepts vs individual features

Concept Space Visualization

Activation



Feature Space

Example: Texture Classification

Concept: "Striped pattern"

Model Sensitivity: How much does prediction change when moving in the direction of the striped concept?

$$s_c = \nabla_c f(x) \cdot v_c$$

Directional derivative along concept vector

Theoretical Foundation

TCAV Score:

$$\text{TCAV}_{C,k,l}(x) = 1 \text{ if } S_C^{k,l}(x) > 0, \text{ else } 0$$



TCAV

Testing with Concept Activation Vectors

Measures model sensitivity to user-defined concepts

- Define concept examples
- Train linear classifier
- Compute directional derivatives



ACE

Automated Concept-based Explanation

Automatically discovers important concepts without human input

- Segment activation space
- Cluster similar patterns
- Identify meaningful concepts



Concept Bottleneck