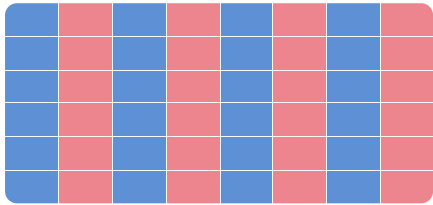


Gradient-based Methods: Computing Feature Sensitivity

Vanilla Gradients



$$\partial y / \partial x$$

Basic sensitivity, noisy

Integrated Gradients



$$\int_0^1 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^- + \alpha(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^-)) d\alpha$$

Path integral, smooth

SmoothGrad



$$\mathbb{E}[\nabla f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{N}(0, \sigma^2))]$$

Averaged over noise

Grad-CAM



$$\text{ReLU}(\sum \alpha_k A_k)$$

Class activation map

Method Comparison

Vanilla	Fast, noisy ✗
Integrated	Smooth, slow ✓
SmoothGrad	Less noise ✓
Grad-CAM	CNN specific ✓

Strengths

- ✓ Model-agnostic
- ✓ Fast computation
- ✓ Differentiable

Limitations

- ✗ Saturation issue
- ✗ Noise in vanilla
- ✗ Requires gradients

PyTorch Implementation

Vanilla Gradients

```
x.requires_grad_()
output = model(x)
output.backward()
gradients = x.grad
```

Integrated Gradients

```
# Path from baseline to input
alphas = torch.linspace(0, 1, steps=50)
for alpha in alphas:
    x_step = baseline + alpha * (x - baseline)
    # Compute gradients at each step
```

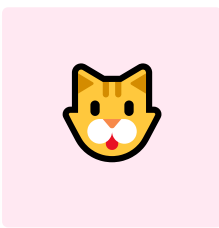
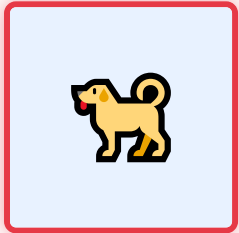
SmoothGrad

```
# Average over noisy samples
for _ in range(n_samples):
```

```
noise = torch.randn_like(x) * sigma
grads += compute_grad(x + noise)
smooth_grad = grads / n_samples
```

Interactive CAM Visualization Demo

Select Image



Method Selection

Grad-CAM

Integrated Gradients

SmoothGrad

Vanilla Gradients

Heatmap Settings


Opacity 60%



Focus Intensity 70%

CAM Visualization on Image



 High → Low Activation

