

Computer Vision

FACIAL EXPRESSION RECOGNITION CHALLENGE

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Project Summary

This case study aims to develop a face emotion recognition detector using computer vision techniques. Facial expression for emotion detection has always been an easy task for humans, but achieving the same task with a computer algorithm is quite challenging. With the recent advancement in computer vision and machine learning, it is possible to detect emotions from images. This case study is focussed on facial emotion recognition using convolutional neural networks. This requires a camera to take picture of our expression in order to detect.

In this project, I have used dataset from Kaggle for a case study and then by the end of the project a live facial expression is shown to detect the kind of expression using webcam.

This dataset consists of 48x48 pixel grayscale images of faces.

The training set consists of 28,709 examples and the public test set consists of 3,589 examples. In this project, I have focussed on building and training a convolutional neural network (CNN) in Keras to recognize facial expressions. The objective is to classify each face based on the emotion shown in the facial expression into one of seven categories (0=Angry, 1=Disgust, 2=Fear, 3=Happy, 4=Sad, 5=Surprise, 6=Neutral).

OpenCV is used to automatically detect faces in images and draw bounding boxes around them. Once the model trained, saved, and exported the CNN, the trained model predictions is directly served to a web interface and perform real-time facial expression recognition on video.

Methodology

- 1. Performing EDA and importing necessary libraries. Import essential modules and helper functions from NumPy, Matplotlib, and Keras. Checked for class imbalance problems in the training data.
- 2. Generate Training and Validation Batches- Generate batches of tensor image data with real-time data augmentation. Specified paths to training and validation image directories and generates batches of augmented data.
- 3. Created a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Model-Designed a convolutional neural network with 4 convolution layers and 2 fully connected layers to predict 7 types of facial expressions. Used Adam as the optimizer, categorical crossentropy as the loss function, and accuracy as the evaluation metrics.
- 4. Train and Evaluate Model -Train the CNN by invoking the model.fit() method. Use ModelCheckpoint() to save the weights associated with the higher validation accuracy. Observing training loss and accuracy plots in Jupyter Notebook for Keras.
- 5. Save and Serialize Model as JSON String Used to_json(), which uses a JSON string, to store the model architecture.
- 6. Create a Flask App to Serve Predictions

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Task 1: Import Libraries

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In [1]: import numpy as np
        import seaborn as sns
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import utils
        import os
        %matplotlib inline
        from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.image import ImageDataGenerator
        from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense, Input, Dropout, Flatten, Conv2D
        from tensorflow.keras.layers import BatchNormalization, Activation, MaxPooling2D
        from tensorflow.keras.models import Model, Sequential
        from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import Adam
        from tensorflow.keras.callbacks import ModelCheckpoint, ReduceLROnPlateau
        from tensorflow.keras.utils import plot model
        from IPython.display import SVG, Image
        from livelossplot.inputs.tf keras import PlotLossesCallback
        import tensorflow as tf
        print("Tensorflow version:", tf. version )
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Tensorflow version: 2.7.0

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In [4]: for expression in os.listdir("train/"):
    print(str(len(os.listdir("train/" + expression))) + " " + expression + "images")

3995 angryimages
436 disgustimages
4097 fearimages
7215 happyimages
4965 neutralimages
4965 neutralimages
4830 sadimages
3171 surpriseimages
```

we have relatively imbalance dataset except for the disgust class images

Task 2: Generate Training and Validation Batches

By using data generators and the ImageDataGenerator class, we can efficiently load and augment images in batches during the training and evaluation processes. Data augmentation helps increase the variety and generalization of the training data by applying random transformations to the images. This can improve the model's ability to generalize and perform well on unseen data.

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In [5]: img size = 48
        batch size = 64
        datagen train = ImageDataGenerator(horizontal flip = True)
        train generator = datagen train.flow from directory( "train/" ,
                                                            target size=(img size, img size),
                                                            color mode= "grayscale",
                                                            batch size= batch size,
                                                            class mode="categorical",
                                                            shuffle = True)
        datagen validation = ImageDataGenerator(horizontal flip = True)
        validation generator = datagen validation.flow from directory( "test/",
                                                            target_size=(img_size, img_size),
                                                            color mode= "grayscale",
                                                            batch size= batch size,
                                                            class mode="categorical",
                                                            shuffle = True)
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Found 28709 images belonging to 7 classes. Found 7178 images belonging to 7 classes.

Task 3: Create CNN Model

Defines a CNN model with convolutional, pooling, dropout, and fully connected layers. It follows a common pattern for image classification tasks. Adjust the model architecture and hyperparameters as needed for facial expression recognition

Applying multiple convolutional layers helps the model learn increasingly complex and abstract features as the information flows deeper into the network. The initial layers capture low-level features like edges and textures, while the deeper layers capture higher-level features such as shapes, patterns, and facial expressions.

```
In [6]: model=Sequential()
        #1 - conv
        model.add(Conv2D(64, (3,3), padding='same', input shape=(48,48,1)))
        model.add(BatchNormalization())
        model.add(Activation('relu'))
        model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool size=(2,2)))
        model.add(Dropout(0.25))
        #2 -conv
        model.add(Conv2D(128, (5,5), padding='same'))
        model.add(BatchNormalization())
        model.add(Activation('relu'))
        model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(2,2)))
        model.add(Dropout(0.25))
        #3 - conv
        model.add(Conv2D(512, (3,3), padding='same'))
        model.add(BatchNormalization())
        model.add(Activation('relu'))
        model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool size=(2,2)))
        model.add(Dropout(0.25))
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#4 - conv
model.add(Conv2D(128, (5,5), padding='same'))
model.add(BatchNormalization())
model.add(Activation('relu'))
model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(2,2)))
model.add(Dropout(0.25))
model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Dense(256))
model.add(BatchNormalization())
model.add(Activation('relu'))
model.add(Dropout(0.25))
model.add(Dense(7, activation='softmax'))
opt=Adam(learning rate=0.0005)
model.compile(optimizer=opt, loss='categorical crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
model.summary() #displays a summary of the model architecture
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Model: "sequential"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d (Conv2D)	(None, 48, 48, 64)	640
batch_normalization (BatchNormalization)	(None, 48, 48, 64)	256
activation (Activation)	(None, 48, 48, 64)	0
max_pooling2d (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 24, 24, 64)	0
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 24, 24, 64)	0
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 24, 24, 128)	204928
batch_normalization_1 (BatchNormalization)	(None, 24, 24, 128)	512
activation_1 (Activation)	(None, 24, 24, 128)	0
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling 2D)	(None, 12, 12, 128)	0
dropout_1 (Dropout)	(None, 12, 12, 128)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 12, 12, 512)	590336

<pre>batch_normalization_2 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 12, 12, 512)	2048
activation_2 (Activation)	(None, 12, 12, 512)	0
<pre>max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling 2D)</pre>	(None, 6, 6, 512)	0
dropout_2 (Dropout)	(None, 6, 6, 512)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 6, 6, 128)	1638528
<pre>batch_normalization_3 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 6, 6, 128)	512
activation_3 (Activation)	(None, 6, 6, 128)	0
<pre>max_pooling2d_3 (MaxPooling 2D)</pre>	(None, 3, 3, 128)	0
dropout_3 (Dropout)	(None, 3, 3, 128)	0
flatten (Flatten)	(None, 1152)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 256)	295168
<pre>batch_normalization_4 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 256)	1024

activation_4 (Activation)	(None, 256)	0
dropout_4 (Dropout)	(None, 256)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 7)	1799

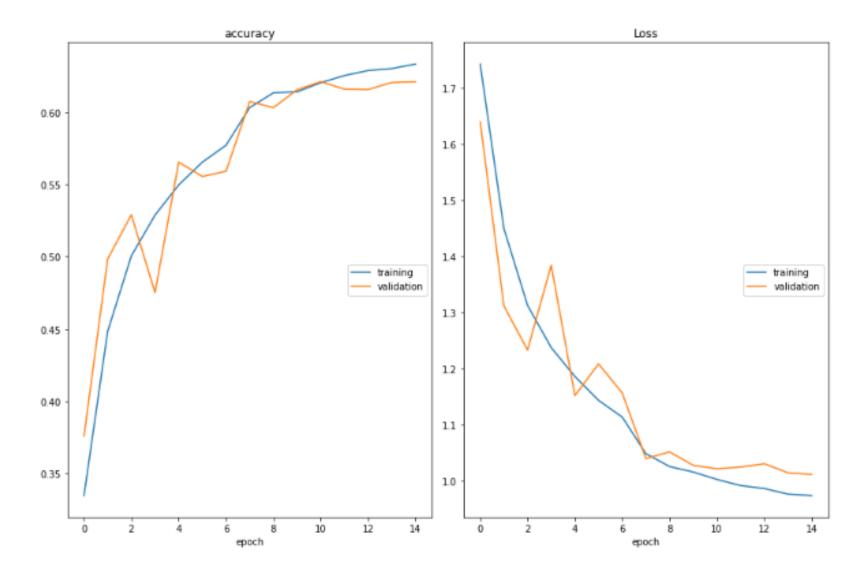
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Task 4: Train and Evaluate Model

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In [7]: epochs=15
        steps per epoch= train generator.n//train generator.batch size
        validation steps= validation generator.n//validation generator.batch size
        checkpoint=ModelCheckpoint("model_weights.h5", monitor="val_accuracy",
                                    save_weights_only=True, mode='max', verbose=1)
        reduce learning rate= ReduceLROnPlateau(monitor='val loss', factor=0.1, patience=2, min learning rate=0.00001, model='auto')
        callbacks = [PlotLossesCallback(), checkpoint, reduce learning rate]
        history = model.fit(x=train generator, steps per epoch= steps per epoch, epochs=epochs, validation data=validation generator, validat
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accuracy
     training
                    (min: 0.335, max: 0.633, cur:
                                             0.633)
     validation
                     (min:
                         0.376, max: 0.621, cur:
                                             0.621)
Loss
     training
                     (min:
                         0.974, max: 1.743, cur:
                                            0.974)
     validation
                     (min:
                         1.011, max: 1.640, cur:
                                            1.011)
Epoch 00015: saving model to model weights.h5
0.6210 - lr: 5.0000e-06
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the training accuracy is 63.33% (0.633) and the validation accuracy is 62.10% (0.621).

the training and validation accuracy values are 63.33% and 62.10% respectively, which are relatively close.

This indicates that the model is performing similarly on both the training and validation data.

lower loss values indicate better performance

the training loss is 0.974 and the validation loss is 1.011. Comparing these values, we can see that the training loss is

lower than the validation loss,

which suggests that the model is performing relatively better on the training data compared to the validation data.

Task 5: Represent Model as JSON String

Saves the model architecture (in JSON format) to a file named "model.json"

