SELF-TAUGHT LEARNING: TRANSFER LEARNING FROM UNLABELED DATA

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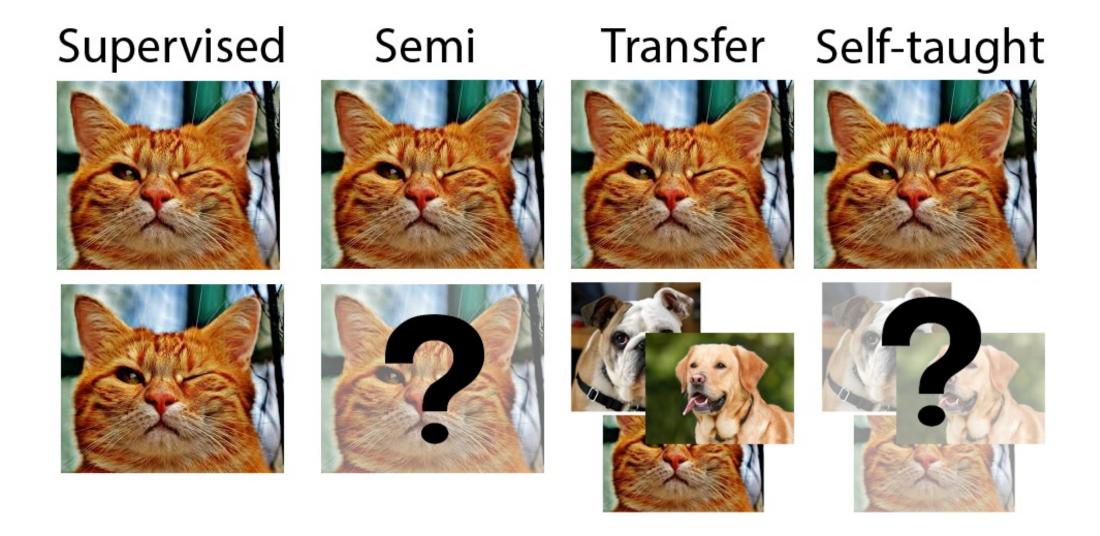
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INTRODUCTION



LEARNING





WHAT WE SEE





WHAT THE COMPUTER SEES

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HIGHER LEVEL FEATURES





WHY?

- Labeled data is expensive
- Abundance of unlabeled data
- Less restrictive data requirements



METHODS



TWO STAGES

- 1. Learn representation with unlabeled data
- 2. Apply to labeled data for classification



LABELED TRAINING DATA

A set of *m* training examples with:

- x as n-dimension feature vectors
- y as corresponding labels {1 .. C}
- *l* indicating a labeled example

$$\left\{ (x_l^{(1)}, y^{(1)}) \dots (x_l^{(m)}, y^{(m)}) \right\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



UNLABELED TRAINING DATA

A set of *k* training examples with:

- x as n-dimension feature vectors
- *u* indicating an unlabeled example

$$\{x_u^{(1)} \dots x_u^{(k)}\} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



LEARNING BASES (BASIC ELEMENTS)

Optimize aj weights and bj bases to:

- 1. Reconstruct xu as weighted linear combo of bases
- 2. Encourage *aj* to be sparse (mostly zero)

$$minimize_{b,a} \sum_{j} \left\| x_u^{(i)} - \sum_{j} a_j^{(i)} b_j \right\|_2^2 + \beta \left\| a^{(i)} \right\|_1$$

such that $\|b_j\|_2 \le 1, \forall j \in 1, \dots s$



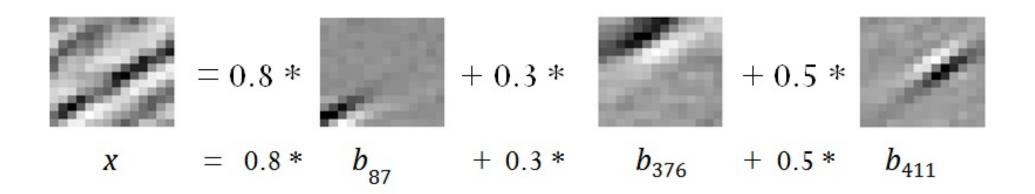
LEARNING FEATURES

Using *bj*, compute sparse features from labeled data as input to supervised algorithms

$$\hat{a}(x_l^{(i)}) = argmin_a \left\| x_l^{(i)} - \sum_j a_j^{(i)} b_j \right\|_2^2 + \beta \left\| a^{(i)} \right\|_1$$



SPARSE FEATURES EXAMPLE





RESULTS



CLASSIFICATION EXPERIMENTS

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA) vs Raw vs
 Sparse Coding (SC) Features
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- Gaussian Discriminant Analysis (GDA)



HANDWRITTEN DIGITS AND ENGLISH CHARACTERS

- Improvements when SC used with Raw for characters
- SC did not perform as well alone for characters
- SC generally performed better for digits
- Improvements ranged from ~1-7%



REUTERS WEBPAGES AND ARTICLES

- SC generally performed well for webpages and articles
- Improvements ranged from ~8-21%



KERNELS (SIMILARITY FUNCTIONS)

- Compared against linear, polynomials, Radial Basis Function (RBF)
- Outperforms standard kernel choices above
- Improvements ranged from ~6-13%



DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION



DISCUSSION

- Can be applied to different domains
- Can have more basis vectors bj than n-dimensions
- Unlabeled data must still have some structure
- Other algorithms can be modified for self-taught learning



CONCLUSION

- Find higher level representations of patterns
- Use of inexpensive unlabeled data
- Self-taught learning as a machine learning framework



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