ECS659U/ ECS659P - NEURAL NETWORKS AND DEEP LEARNING

Coursework Report

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Details of the Final and Most Optimal Solution Found:

Parameter/ technique used	Value / Type used
Patch size	8
Pooling	used
Loss algorithm	CrossEntropy Loss
Optimizer algorithm	Adam
Learning Rate	0.01
Weight Decay	0.0005
Linear layer in stem	`(8, 126) # (8, num_hidden)`
Linear layer 1	`(98, 56) # (num_inputs, 56)`
Linear layer 2	`(56, 8)`
Linear layer 3	`(124, 89)`
Linear layer 4	`(89, 10) # (89, num_outputs)`
Batch Size	256
Number of epochs	30
Activation function	ReLU

Curves for loss, train accuracy and test accuracy:

For 60 epochs:

```
[9] num_epochs = 60
    try:
        mu.train_ch3(net, train_dataset, test_dataset, loss, num_epochs, optimizer)
    except AssertionError:
        pass
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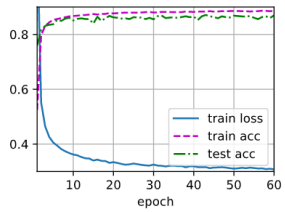


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For 30 epochs:

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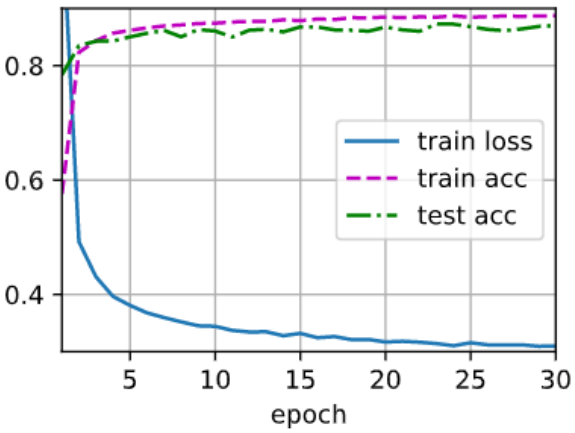


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Different ways/ methods tried:

1. No linear layer for stem and no usage of Max Pooling

```
self.Linear_Transform_1 = nn.Linear(num_inputs, num_hidden)
self.tanh = nn.Tanh()
self.Linear_Transform_2 = nn.Linear(126, 8)
self.Linear_Transform_3 = nn.Linear(8, 89)
self.Linear_Transform_4 = nn.Linear(89, 10)
```

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mu.evaluate_accuracy(net, test_dataset)
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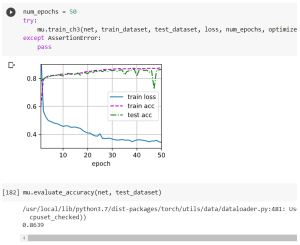
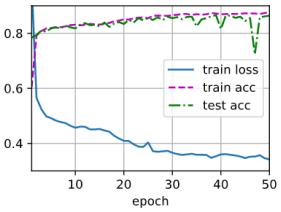
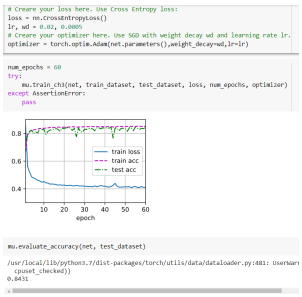
2. Add a linear layer in stem and change dimensions of other layers, also add max pooling



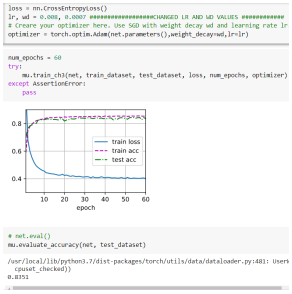


more than 50 epochs…..ran too slow

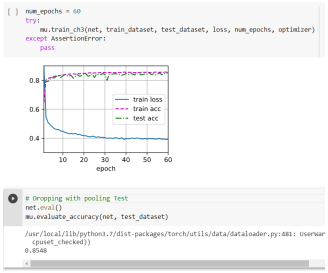
3. Change the learning rate to 0.02 with no pooling….



4. Change learning rate and weight decay to 0.008 and 0.0007 respectively with pooling



5. Dropping with pooling and the rest values as the same from experiment number 2

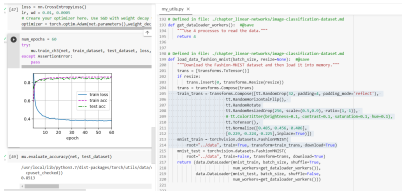


6. Tests with Data Augmentation:

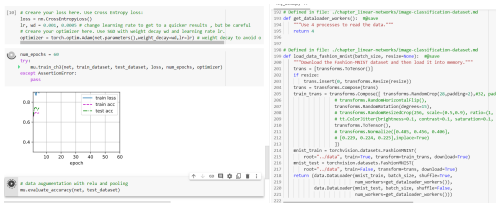
In my_utils file, line 199, in the function "`def load_data_fashion_mnist(batch_size, resize=None):`" replace line 204 to 206 with these lines below..

```
trans = transforms.Compose(trans)
 train_trans = transforms.Compose([transforms.RandomCrop(28, padding=4, padding_mode='reflect'),
                transforms.RandomHorizontalFlip(),
                #transforms.RandomRotate(),
                transforms.RandomResizedCrop(256, scale=(0.5,0.9), ratio=(1, 1)),
                # tt.ColorJitter(brightness=0.1, contrast=0.1, saturation=0.1, hue=0.1),
                transforms.ToTensor(),
                # transforms.Normalize([0.485, 0.456, 0.406],
                # [0.229, 0.224, 0.225],inplace=True)
                ])
 mnist_train = torchvision.datasets.FashionMNIST(
     root="../data", train=True, transform=train_trans, download=True)
```

6.1 The test result when I tried running data augmentation without a linear layer after stem…..

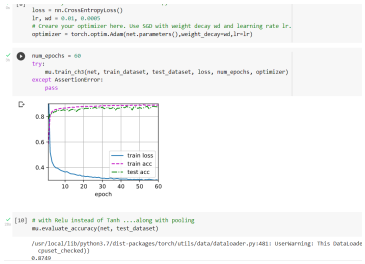


6.2 Data augmentation did not result in good accuracy, it couldn't beat the accuracy from experiment 2 and took way too long to run, it always ran for more than 5 hours.



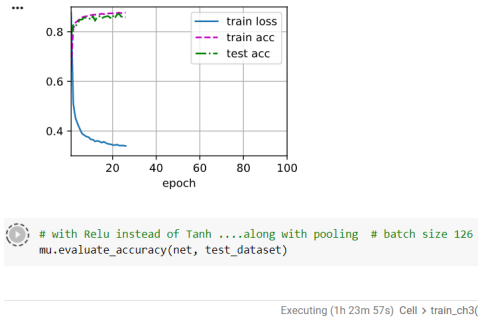
Tried it a couple times with different lr and wd and different values in linear layers and different activation functions but it still was less accurate then the one without data augmentation.

7. Tried activation function as ReLU instead of Tanh; this showed an increase in the accuracy when compared to the best till now from experiment 2.



8. Also tired various optimisation algorithms like SGD, Adadelta and others from https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/optim.html#algorithms but Adam showed best results.

9. testing the best accuracy with a different batch size, took too long to run and not as efficient as the one above.



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