

CNN

参考:

<https://petewarden.com/2015/04/20/why-gemm-is-at-the-heart-of-deep-learning/>

<http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/#conv>

说明: 第二篇详细分析了卷积神经网络各部分的组成及相应作用, 同时结合 AlexNet 实例。

- 主要针对 Convolutional Layer, Pooling Layer, Normalization Layer 和 Fully-Connected Layer 进行了介绍, 同时介绍了卷积运算中矩阵乘法的具体实现方法。

Convolutional Layer(depth, stride and zero-padding)

Spatial arrangement. We have explained the connectivity of each neuron in the Conv Layer to the input volume, but we haven't yet discussed how many neurons there are in the output volume or how they are arranged. Three hyperparameters control the size of the output volume: the **depth**, **stride** and **zero-padding**. We discuss these next:

1. First, the **depth** of the output volume is a hyperparameter: it corresponds to the number of filters we would like to use, each learning to look for something different in the input. For example, if the first Convolutional Layer takes as input the raw image, then different neurons along the depth dimension may activate in presence of various oriented edged, or blobs of color. We will refer to a set of neurons that are all looking at the same region of the input as a **depth column** (some people also prefer the term *fibre*).
2. Second, we must specify the **stride** with which we slide the filter. When the stride is 1 then we move the filters one pixel at a time. When the stride is 2 (or uncommonly 3 or more, though this is rare in practice) then the filters jump 2 pixels at a time as we slide them around. This will produce smaller output volumes spatially.
3. As we will soon see, sometimes it will be convenient to pad the input volume with zeros around the border. The size of this **zero-padding** is a hyperparameter. The nice feature of zero padding is that it will allow us to control the spatial size of the output volumes (most commonly as we'll see soon we will use it to exactly preserve the spatial size of the input volume so the input and output width and height are the same).

We can compute the spatial size of the output volume as a function of the input volume size (W), the receptive field size of the Conv Layer neurons (F), the stride with which they are applied (S), and the amount of zero padding used (P) on the border. You can convince yourself that the correct formula for calculating how many neurons "fit" is given by $(W - F + 2P)/S + 1$. For example for a 7x7 input and a 3x3 filter with stride 1 and pad 0 we would get a 5x5 output. With stride 2 we would get a 3x3 output. Lets also see one more graphical example:

GEMM

Implementation as Matrix Multiplication. Note that the convolution operation essentially performs dot products between the filters and local regions of the input. A common implementation pattern of the CONV layer is to take advantage of this fact and formulate the forward pass of a convolutional layer as one big matrix multiply as follows:

1. The local regions in the input image are stretched out into columns in an operation commonly called **im2col**. For example, if the input is [227x227x3] and it is to be convolved with 11x11x3 filters at stride 4, then we would take [11x11x3] blocks of pixels in the input and stretch each block into a column vector of size $11 \times 11 \times 3 = 363$. Iterating this process in the input at stride of 4 gives $(227-11)/4+1 = 55$ locations along both width and height, leading to an output matrix **x_col** of *im2col* of size [363 x 3025], where every column is a stretched out receptive field and there are $55 \times 55 = 3025$ of them in total. Note that since the receptive fields overlap, every number in the input volume may be duplicated in multiple distinct columns.
2. The weights of the CONV layer are similarly stretched out into rows. For example, if there are 96 filters of size [11x11x3] this would give a matrix **w_row** of size [96 x 363].
3. The result of a convolution is now equivalent to performing one large matrix multiply `np.dot(w_row, x_col)`, which evaluates the dot product between every filter and every receptive field location. In our example, the output of this operation would be [96 x 3025], giving the output of the dot product of each filter at each location.
4. The result must finally be reshaped back to its proper output dimension [55x55x96].

This approach has the downside that it can use a lot of memory, since some values in the input volume are replicated multiple times in **x_col**. However, the benefit is that there are many very efficient implementations of Matrix Multiplication that we can take advantage of (for example, in the commonly used **BLAS** API). Moreover, the same *im2col* idea can be reused to perform the pooling operation, which we discuss next.

Pooling Layer

It is common to periodically insert a Pooling layer in-between successive Conv layers in a ConvNet architecture. Its function is to progressively reduce the spatial size of the representation to reduce the amount of parameters and computation in the network, and hence to also control overfitting. The Pooling Layer operates independently on every depth slice of the input and resizes it spatially, using the MAX operation. The most common form is a pooling layer with filters of size 2x2 applied with a stride of 2 downsamples every depth slice in the input by 2 along both width and height, discarding 75% of the activations. Every MAX operation would in this case be taking a max over 4 numbers (little 2x2 region in some depth slice). The depth dimension remains unchanged. More generally, the pooling layer:

- Accepts a volume of size $W_1 \times H_1 \times D_1$
- Requires two hyperparameters:
 - their spatial extent F ,
 - the stride S ,
- Produces a volume of size $W_2 \times H_2 \times D_2$ where:
 - $W_2 = (W_1 - F)/S + 1$
 - $H_2 = (H_1 - F)/S + 1$
 - $D_2 = D_1$
- Introduces zero parameters since it computes a fixed function of the input
- Note that it is not common to use zero-padding for Pooling layers

Normalization Layer

Normalization Layer

Many types of normalization layers have been proposed for use in ConvNet architectures, sometimes with the intentions of implementing inhibition schemes observed in the biological brain. However, these layers have since fallen out of favor because in practice their contribution has been shown to be minimal, if any. For various types of normalizations, see the discussion in Alex Krizhevsky's [cuda-convnet library API](#).

Fully-connected Layer

Neurons in a fully connected layer have full connections to all activations in the previous layer, as seen in regular Neural Networks. Their activations can hence be computed with a matrix multiplication followed by a bias offset. See the *Neural Network* section of the notes for more information.

ConvNet Architectures

We have seen that Convolutional Networks are commonly made up of only three layer types: CONV, POOL (we assume Max pool unless stated otherwise) and FC (short for fully-connected). We will also explicitly write the RELU activation function as a layer, which applies elementwise non-linearity. In this section we discuss how these are commonly stacked together to form entire ConvNets.

Layer Patterns

The most common form of a ConvNet architecture stacks a few CONV-RELU layers, follows them with POOL layers, and repeats this pattern until the image has been merged spatially to a small size. At some point, it is common to transition to fully-connected layers. The last fully-connected layer holds the output, such as the class scores. In other words, the most common ConvNet architecture follows the pattern:

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INPUT -> [[CONV -> RELU]*N -> POOL?]*M -> [FC -> RELU]*K -> FC
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where the `*` indicates repetition, and the `POOL?` indicates an optional pooling layer. Moreover, `N >= 0` (and usually `N <= 3`), `M >= 0`, `K >= 0` (and usually `K < 3`). For example, here are some common ConvNet architectures you may see that follow this pattern:

- `INPUT -> FC`, implements a linear classifier. Here `N = M = K = 0`.
- `INPUT -> CONV -> RELU -> FC`
- `INPUT -> [CONV -> RELU -> POOL]*2 -> FC -> RELU -> FC`. Here we see that there is a single CONV layer between every POOL layer.
- `INPUT -> [CONV -> RELU -> CONV -> RELU -> POOL]*3 -> [FC -> RELU]*2 -> FC` Here we see two CONV layers stacked before every POOL layer. This is generally a good idea for larger and deeper networks, because multiple stacked CONV layers can develop more complex features of the input volume before the destructive pooling operation.

VGGNet Analysis

VGGNet in detail. Lets break down the [VGGNet](#) in more detail as a case study. The whole VGGNet is composed of CONV layers that perform 3x3 convolutions with stride 1 and pad 1, and of POOL layers that perform 2x2 max pooling with stride 2 (and no padding). We can write out the size of the representation at each step of the processing and keep track of both the representation size and the total number of weights:

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INPUT: [224x224x3]      memory: 224*224*3=150K  weights: 0
CONV3-64: [224x224x64]  memory: 224*224*64=3.2M  weights: (3*3*3)*64 = 1,728
CONV3-64: [224x224x64]  memory: 224*224*64=3.2M  weights: (3*3*64)*64 = 36,864
POOL2: [112x112x64]    memory: 112*112*64=800K  weights: 0
CONV3-128: [112x112x128] memory: 112*112*128=1.6M weights: (3*3*64)*128 = 73,728
CONV3-128: [112x112x128] memory: 112*112*128=1.6M weights: (3*3*128)*128 = 147,456
POOL2: [56x56x128]     memory: 56*56*128=400K  weights: 0
CONV3-256: [56x56x256]  memory: 56*56*256=800K  weights: (3*3*128)*256 = 294,912
CONV3-256: [56x56x256]  memory: 56*56*256=800K  weights: (3*3*256)*256 = 589,824
CONV3-256: [56x56x256]  memory: 56*56*256=800K  weights: (3*3*256)*256 = 589,824
POOL2: [28x28x256]     memory: 28*28*256=200K  weights: 0
CONV3-512: [28x28x512]  memory: 28*28*512=400K  weights: (3*3*256)*512 = 1,179,648
CONV3-512: [28x28x512]  memory: 28*28*512=400K  weights: (3*3*512)*512 = 2,359,296
CONV3-512: [28x28x512]  memory: 28*28*512=400K  weights: (3*3*512)*512 = 2,359,296
POOL2: [14x14x512]     memory: 14*14*512=100K  weights: 0
CONV3-512: [14x14x512]  memory: 14*14*512=100K  weights: (3*3*512)*512 = 2,359,296
CONV3-512: [14x14x512]  memory: 14*14*512=100K  weights: (3*3*512)*512 = 2,359,296
CONV3-512: [14x14x512]  memory: 14*14*512=100K  weights: (3*3*512)*512 = 2,359,296
POOL2: [7x7x512]       memory: 7*7*512=25K   weights: 0
FC: [1x1x4096]          memory: 4096  weights: 7*7*512*4096 = 102,760,448
FC: [1x1x4096]          memory: 4096  weights: 4096*4096 = 16,777,216
FC: [1x1x1000]          memory: 1000  weights: 4096*1000 = 4,096,000

TOTAL memory: 24M * 4 bytes ~= 93MB / image (only forward! ~*2 for bwd)
TOTAL params: 138M parameters
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As is common with Convolutional Networks, notice that most of the memory (and also compute time) is used in the early CONV layers, and that most of the parameters are in the last FC layers. In this particular case, the first FC layer contains 100M weights, out of a total of 140M.