ML w11 photo OCR

Photo OCR process. — pipeline

1. Text detection
2. Character segmentation

} sliding windows

3. Character recognition (classification) → e.g. neural network

Artificial data synthesis for photo OCR

amplify training set by distorting image.

· Usually doesn't help to add purely random / meaningless noise to data

1. Before expanding data

low bias classifier / high variance classifier

→ more data (get more training set)

not low bias classifier

→ add features

2. How much work would it be to get 10× as much data as we currently have?

← Artificial data synthesis.

- Collect/label it yourself
  → how many hours?
  m = 1000
  10 sec/example
  m = 10,000
- "Cloud sourcing" (E.g. Amazon Mechanical Turk)

Ceiling Analysis: What part of the pipeline to work on next.
Should you spend the most time

Component	Accuracy	
Overall system	72%	↑ 17%
Text detection	89%	↑ 1%
Character segmentation	90%	↑ 10%
Character recognition	100%	

- 16 GPU for background deletion did not help the overall accuracy ....
- Don't trust my own feeling ...

1. Suppose you are running a sliding window detector to find text in images. Your input images are 1000x1000 pixels. You will run your sliding windows detector at two scales, 10x10 and 20x20 (i.e., you will run your classifier on lots of 10x10 patches to decide if they contain text or not; and also on lots of 20x20 patches), and you will "step" your detector by 2 pixels each time. About how many times will you end up running your classifier on a single 1000x1000 test set image?

- (●) 500,000
- ( ) 100,000
- ( ) 1,000,000
- ( ) 250,000

4 example / min

240 example / hour

10000 example : 41.6 hour

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$400

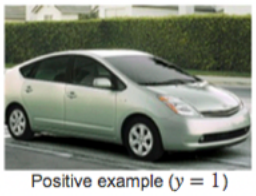
2. Suppose that you just joined a product team that has been developing a machine learning application, using $m = 1,000$ training examples. You discover that you have the option of hiring additional personnel to help collect and label data. You estimate that you would have to pay each of the labellers $10 per hour, and that each labeller can label 4 examples per minute. About how much will it cost to hire labellers to label 10,000 new training examples?

- ○ $600
- ◉ $400
- ○ $10,000
- ○ $250

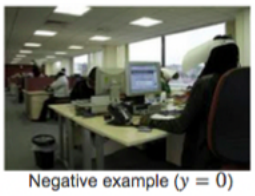
3. What are the benefits of performing a ceiling analysis? Check all that apply.

- ☐ It is a way of providing additional training data to the algorithm.
- ☑ It can help indicate that certain components of a system might not be worth a significant amount of work improving, because even if it had perfect performance its impact on the overall system may be small.
- ☐ If we have a low-performing component, the ceiling analysis can tell us if that component has a high bias problem or a high variance problem.
- ☑ It helps us decide on allocation of resources in terms of which component in a machine learning pipeline to spend more effort on.

4. Suppose you are building an object classifier, that takes as input an image, and recognizes that image as either containing a car ($y = 1$) or not ($y = 0$). For example, here are a positive example and a negative example:



Positive example ($y = 1$)



Negative example ($y = 0$)

After carefully analyzing the performance of your algorithm, you conclude that you need more positive ($y = 1$) training examples. Which of the following might be a good way to get additional positive examples?

- ○ Apply translations, distortions, and rotations to the images already in your training set.
- ○ Select two car images and average them to make a third example.
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Gaussian noise does not adequately model the sorts of distortions in real-world images of cars.

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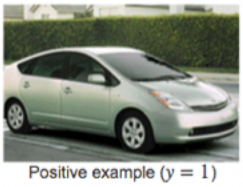

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- [x] Mirror your training images across the vertical axis (so that a left-facing car now becomes a right-facing one).
- [ ] Take a few images from your training set, and add random, gaussian noise to every pixel.
- [ ] Take a training example and set a random subset of its pixel to 0 to generate a new example.
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The character recognition component is the most promising, as ground truth character recognition improves performance by 18% over feeding the current character recognition system ground truth character segmentation.

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- [x] If the text detection system was trained using gradient descent, running gradient descent for more iterations is unlikely to help much.
- [x] If we conclude that the character recognition's errors are mostly due to the character recognition system having high variance, then it may be worth significant effort obtaining additional training data for character recognition.
- [ ] We should dedicate significant effort to collecting additional training data for the text detection system.
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