Programming Assignment 5

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1 Problem 1.a

Derive the restricted Boltzmann machine algorithm that you will implement, and explain your derivation. Implement the training and inference algorithms for RBM. Train RBMs with 20, 100 and 500 hidden nodes to generate MNIST images using the training data set. Generate MNIST images from the ones in the testing data set that have 20%, 50% and 80% pixels missing/removed. You are free to choose whether you want to use binary nodes or floating point nodes, but the derivation has to match the implementation.

Boltzmann Machines are a particular form of log-linear Markov Random Field i.e., for which the energy function is linear in its free parameters. To make them powerful enough to represent complicated distributions, we consider that some of the variables are hidden. By having more hidden variables, we can increase the modeling capacity of the Boltzmann Machine. Restricted Boltzmann Machines further restrict BMs to those without visible-visible and hidden-hidden connections.

The energy function E(v,h) of an RBM is defined as:

$$E(v,h) = -b'v - c'h - h'Wv$$
 (1)

Where,

W - Weights connecting the visible and hidden units; b and c - offsets of the visible and hidden layers respectively;

This translates directly to the following free energy formula:

$$F(v) = -b'v - \sum_{i} log \sum_{h_i} e^{h_i(c_i + W_i v)}$$
(2)

Because of the specific structure of RBMs, visible and hidden units are conditionally independent given one-another. Using this property, we can write:

$$p(h|v) = \Pi_i p(h_i|v) \tag{3}$$

$$p(v|h) = \Pi_j p(v_j|h) \tag{4}$$

A probabilistic version of the usual neuron activation function can be obtained by combining equation 1 with the below equation, where Z is called the partition function:

$$P(x) = \Sigma_h P(x, h) = \Sigma_h \frac{e^{-E(x, h)}}{Z}$$
(5)

Probabilistic version of neuron activation function using binary units where v_j and $h_i \in 0,1$ is as shown below:

$$P(h_i|v) = sigm(c_i + W_i v) \tag{6}$$

$$P(v_j|h) = sigm(b_j + W'_j h)$$
(7)

The free energy of an RBM with binary units further simplifies to:

$$F(v) = -b'v - \sum_{i} log(1 + e^{(c_i + W_i v)})$$
(8)

Samples used to estimate the negative phase gradient are referred to as negative particles, which are denoted as N. The gradient can then be written as:

$$-\frac{\partial log p(x)}{\partial \theta} \approx \frac{\partial F(x)}{\partial \theta} - \frac{1}{|N|} \sum_{x' \in N} \frac{\partial F(x)}{\partial \theta}$$
(9)

Combining equations 8 and 9, we obtain the following log-likelihood gradients for an RBM with binary units as shown below:

$$\frac{\partial log p(v)}{\partial W_{ij}} = E_v[p(h_i|v) * v_j] - v_j^i * sigm(W_i * v^i + c_j)$$
(10)

$$\frac{\partial log p(v)}{\partial c_i} = E_v[p(h_i|v)] - sigm(W_i * v^i) \tag{11}$$

$$\frac{\partial log p(v)}{\partial b_j} = E_v[p(v_j|h) * v_j] - v_j^i$$
(12)

2 Problem 1.b

Derive the variational autoencoder algorithm that you will implement, and explain your derivation. Implement the training and inference algorithms for VAE. Train VAE with 2, 8 and 16 code units to encode MNIST images using the training data set. The neural network will be 784 input -> 256 hidden -> 2/8/16 code -> 256 hidden -> 784 output. Then use the 2 code -> 256 hidden -> 784 output part of the trained network with 2 code units to generate images by varying each code unit from -3 to 3. You are free to choose the other parameters.

The idea of VAE is to identify P(z) given P(z|x). This can be done with the help of the KL divergence metric. Below is the proof which shows the encoder net, decoder net and the latent variable used in the auto-encoder.

Let's say we want to infer P(z|x) given Q(z|x). The KL divergence metric can be formulated

as follows:

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = \sum_{z} Q(z|X) \log \frac{Q(z|X)}{P(z|X)}$$
(13)

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[log\frac{Q(z|X)}{P(z|X)}]$$
(14)

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[logQ(z|X) - logP(z|X)]$$
(15)

By Bayes rule, we can transform thee above equation to the one shown below

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[logQ(z|X) - log\frac{P(X|z)P(z)}{P(X)}]$$
(16)

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[logQ(z|X) - (logP(X|z) + logP(z) - logP(X))]$$
(17)

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[logQ(z|X) - logP(X|z) - logP(z) + logP(X)]$$
(18)

$$D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] - logP(X) = E[logQ(z|X) - logP(X|z) - logP(z)]$$
(19)

$$log P(X) - D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[log(P(X|z))] - E[logQ(X|z) - logP(z)]$$
(20)

$$log P(X) - D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z|X)] = E[log(P(X|z)] - D_{KL}[Q(z|X)||P(z)]$$
(21)

Thus from equation 17 we understand than this is a structure of an Auto-encoder. In this the term Q(z|X) can be treated as the encoder net, z is the encoded representation and P(z|X) is the decoder net.

3 Code for part 1 derivation

```
# Created by Varun at 17/04/19
2 from __future__ import print_function
3 import numpy as np
4 import os
5 import random
  import gzip, struct
   import tensorflow as tf
8
9
   def weight (shape, name='weights'):
10
       return tf. Variable (tf. truncated_normal (shape, stddev=0.1), name=name)
11
12
   def bias (shape, name='biases'):
       return tf. Variable (tf. constant (0.1, shape=shape), name=name)
13
14
   class RBM:
15
       i = 0 \# fliping index for computing pseudo likelihood
16
17
       def __init__(self, n_visible=784, n_hidden=500, k=30, momentum=False):
18
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```
self.n_visible = n_visible
19
20
            self.n_hidden = n_hidden
21
            self.k = k
22
23
            self.lr = tf.placeholder(tf.float32)
24
            if momentum:
25
                self.momentum = tf.placeholder(tf.float32)
26
           else:
                self.momentum = 0.0
27
28
            self.w = weight ([n_visible, n_hidden], 'w')
           self.hb = bias([n_hidden], 'hb')
29
            self.vb = bias([n_visible], 'vb')
30
31
           self.w_v = tf.Variable(tf.zeros([n_visible, n_hidden]), dtype=tf.floa
32
            self.hb_v = tf.Variable(tf.zeros([n_hidden]), dtype=tf.float32)
33
34
            self.vb_v = tf.Variable(tf.zeros([n_visible]), dtype=tf.float32)
35
       def propup(self, visible):
36
37
           pre_sigmoid_activation = tf.matmul(visible, self.w) + self.hb
           return tf.nn.sigmoid(pre_sigmoid_activation)
38
39
40
       def propdown (self, hidden):
41
            pre_sigmoid_activation = tf.matmul(hidden, tf.transpose(self.w)) + se
           return tf.nn.sigmoid(pre_sigmoid_activation)
42
43
44
       def sample_h_given_v(self, v_sample):
45
           h_props = self.propup(v_sample)
           h_sample = tf.nn.relu(tf.sign(h_props - tf.random_uniform(tf.shape(h_
46
47
           return h_sample
48
49
       def sample_v_given_h (self, h_sample):
            v_props = self.propdown(h_sample)
50
           v_sample = tf.nn.relu(tf.sign(v_props - tf.random_uniform(tf.shape(v_
51
52
           return v_sample
53
       def CD_k(self , visibles):
54
55
           \# k \ steps \ qibbs \ sampling
56
           v_samples = visibles
           h_samples = self.sample_h_given_v(v_samples)
57
           for i in range(self.k):
58
                v_samples = self.sample_v_given_h(h_samples)
59
60
                h_samples = self.sample_h_given_v(v_samples)
61
62
           h0_props = self.propup(visibles)
            w_positive_grad = tf.matmul(tf.transpose(visibles), h0_props)
63
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64
                          w_negative_grad = tf.matmul(tf.transpose(v_samples), h_samples)
                          w_grad = (w_positive_grad - w_negative_grad) / tf.to_float(tf.shape(v
 65
 66
                          hb\_grad = tf.reduce\_mean(h0\_props - h\_samples, 0)
                          vb_grad = tf.reduce_mean(visibles - v_samples, 0)
 67
 68
                          return w_grad, hb_grad, vb_grad
 69
                 def learn (self, visibles):
 70
                          w_grad, hb_grad, vb_grad = self.CD_k(visibles)
 71
                          # compute new velocities
 72
                          new_-w_-v = self.momentum * self.w_-v + self.lr * w_-grad
 73
                          new_hb_v = self.momentum * self.hb_v + self.lr * hb_grad
 74
                          new_vb_v = self.momentum * self.vb_v + self.lr * vb_grad
 75
 76
                          # update parameters
                          update_w = tf.assign(self.w, self.w + new_w_v)
 77
                          update_hb = tf.assign(self.hb, self.hb + new_hb_v)
 78
                          update_vb = tf.assign(self.vb, self.vb + new_vb_v)
 79
 80
                          # update velocities
                          update_w_v = tf.assign(self.w_v, new_w_v)
 81
 82
                          update_hb_v = tf.assign(self.hb_v, new_hb_v)
 83
                          update_vb_v = tf.assign(self.vb_v, new_vb_v)
 84
 85
                          return [update_w, update_hb, update_vb, update_w_v, update_hb_v, updat
 86
 87
                 def sampler (self, visibles, steps=5000):
 88
                          v_samples = visibles
                          for step in range(steps):
 89
 90
                                   v_samples = self.sample_v_given_h (self.sample_h_given_v (v_samples
                          return v_samples
 91
 92
 93
                 def free_energy(self, visibles):
                          first_term = tf.matmul(visibles, tf.reshape(self.vb, [tf.shape(self.v
 94
                          second_term = tf.reduce_sum(tf.log(1 + tf.exp(self.hb + tf.matmul(vis
 95
 96
                          return - first_term - second_term
 97
 98
                 def pseudo_likelihood(self, visibles):
                          x = tf.round(visibles)
 99
100
                          x_fe = self.free_energy(x)
                          split0, split1, split2 = tf.split(x, [self.i, 1, tf.shape(x)[1] - self.i)
101
                          xi = tf.concat([split0, 1 - split1, split2], 1)
102
                          self.i = (self.i + 1) \% self.n_visible
103
104
                          xi_fe = self.free_energy(xi)
                          return tf.reduce_mean(self.n_visible * tf.log(tf.nn.sigmoid(xi_fe - x
105
106
107
        class DataSet:
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108

 $batch_index = 0$

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109
        def __init__(self, data_dir, batch_size = None, one_hot = False, seed = 0
110
             self.data_dir = data_dir
111
112
            X, Y = self.read()
113
             shape = X. shape
            X = X. reshape([shape[0], shape[1] * shape[2]])
114
             self.X = X. astype(np. float)/255
115
             self.size = self.X.shape[0]
116
117
             if batch_size == None:
                 self.batch_size = self.size
118
119
             else:
120
                 self.batch_size = batch_size
            # abandom last few samples
121
             self.batch_num = int(self.size / self.batch_size)
122
123
            \# shuffle samples
124
             np.random.seed(seed)
125
             np.random.shuffle(self.X)
126
             np.random.seed(seed)
127
             np.random.shuffle(Y)
             self.one\_hot = one\_hot
128
             if one_hot:
129
                 y_vec = np.zeros((len(Y), 10), dtype=np.float)
130
131
                 for i, label in enumerate(Y):
132
                     y_{vec}[i, Y[i]] = 1.0
133
                 self.Y = y_vec
134
             else:
135
                 self.Y = Y
136
137
        def read (self):
             with gzip.open(self.data_dir['Y']) as flbl:
138
                 magic, num = struct.unpack(">II", flbl.read(8))
139
                 label = np.fromstring(flbl.read(), dtype=np.int8)
140
             with gzip.open(self.data_dir['X'], 'rb') as fimg:
141
                 magic, num, rows, cols = struct.unpack(">IIII", fimg.read(16))
142
                 image = np. from string (fimg.read(), dtype=np.uint8).reshape(len(la
143
144
             return image, label
145
146
        def next_batch(self):
             start = self.batch_index * self.batch_size
147
             end = (self.batch\_index + 1) * self.batch\_size
148
149
             self.batch\_index = (self.batch\_index + 1) \% self.batch\_num
             if self.one_hot:
150
                 return self.X[start:end, :], self.Y[start:end, :]
151
152
             else:
                 return self.X[start:end, :], self.Y[start:end]
153
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154
155
        def sample_batch(self):
156
             index = random.randrange(self.batch_num)
             start = index * self.batch_size
157
             end = (index + 1) * self.batch_size
158
             if self.one_hot:
159
                 return self.X[start:end, :], self.Y[start:end, :]
160
161
             else:
                 return self.X[start:end, :], self.Y[start:end]
162
163
        def random_removals(self, percentage):
164
165
             index = random.randrange(self.batch_num)
             start = index * self.batch_size
166
             end = (index + 1) * self.batch_size
167
             for i in self.X:
168
169
                 pixels = int(percentage*len(self.X[0]))
170
                 while (pixels > 0):
                     rand = random.randint(0, 63)
171
                     i [rand] = 0
172
                     pixels = 1
173
                     if pixels \le 0:
174
                         break
175
176
             return self.X[start:end, :]
177
178
    import scipy.misc
    def save_images (images, size, path):
179
        img = (images + 1.0) / 2.0
180
        h, w = img.shape[1], img.shape[2]
181
182
        merge_img = np.zeros((h * size[0], w * size[1]))
183
        for idx , image in enumerate(images):
             i = idx \% size[1]
184
             j = idx // size[1]
185
             merge_img[j*h:j*h+h, i*w:i*w+w] = image
186
        return scipy.misc.imsave(path, merge_img)
187
188
189
190
    def train(train_data, test_data, epoches, percentage):
        logs_dir = './logs'
191
        samples_dir = './samples'
192
193
        x = tf.placeholder(tf.float32, shape=[None, 784])
194
        noise_x = test_data.random_removals(percentage)
195
196
        hidden = 500
        rbm = RBM(n_hidden=hidden)
197
        step = rbm.learn(x)
198
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199
        sampler = rbm.sampler(x)
200
        pl = rbm. pseudo_likelihood(x)
201
202
        saver = tf.train.Saver()
203
204
        with tf. Session() as sess:
             init = tf.global_variables_initializer()
205
206
             sess.run(init)
207
            mean\_cost = []
            epoch = 1
208
209
            for i in range(epoches * train_data.batch_num):
210
                 # draw samples
211
                 if i \% 500 == 0:
                     samples = sess.run(sampler, feed\_dict = \{x: noise\_x\})
212
                     samples = samples.reshape([train_data.batch_size, 28, 28])
213
214
                     save_images (samples, [8, 8], os.path.join (samples_dir, 'itera
                     print('Saved samples.')
215
216
                 batch_x, _ = train_data.next_batch()
                 sess.run(step, feed\_dict = \{x: batch\_x, rbm.lr: 0.1\})
217
218
                 cost = sess.run(pl, feed_dict = \{x: batch_x\})
219
                 mean_cost.append(cost)
220
                 # save model
221
                 if i is not 0 and train_data.batch_index is 0:
                     checkpoint_path = os.path.join(logs_dir, 'model.ckpt')
222
                     saver.save(sess, checkpoint_path, global_step = epoch + 1)
223
224
                     print('Saved Model.')
225
                 # print pseudo likelihood
226
                 if i is not 0 and train_data.batch_index is 0:
                     print('Epoch %d Cost %g' % (epoch, np.mean(mean_cost)))
227
228
                     mean\_cost = []
229
                     epoch += 1
            print('Test')
230
            samples = sess.run(sampler, feed\_dict = \{x: noise\_x\})
231
            samples = samples.reshape([train_data.batch_size, 28, 28])
232
            save_images(samples, [8, 8], os.path.join(samples_dir, 'test{}_{{}}.png
233
            print('Saved samples.')
234
235
236
    train_dir = {
237
        'X': './train-images-idx3-ubyte.gz',
238
         'Y': './train-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz'
239
240
241
    test_dir = {
242
        'X': './t10k-images-idx3-ubyte.gz',
        'Y': './t10k-labels-idx1-ubyte.gz'
243
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244 }
245 train_data = DataSet(data_dir=train_dir, batch_size=64, one_hot=True)
246 test_data = DataSet(data_dir=test_dir, batch_size=64)
247 train(train_data, test_data, 3, 0.8)
```

4 Code for derivation 2

```
1 from __future__ import absolute_import
2 from __future__ import division
3 from __future__ import print_function
5 import argparse
6 import os
8 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
9 import numpy as np
10 from keras import backend as K
11 from keras.datasets import mnist
12 from keras.layers import Lambda, Input, Dense
13 from keras.losses import mse, binary_crossentropy
14 from keras.models import Model
15 from keras.utils import plot_model
16
17
18
   def sampling (args):
19
       z_{mean}, z_{log}var = args
20
       batch = K. shape (z_mean) [0]
       \dim = K. \operatorname{int\_shape} (z_{-mean})[1]
21
22
       \# by default, random_normal has mean=0 and std=1.0
       epsilon = K.random_normal(shape=(batch, dim))
23
24
       return z_mean + K. \exp(0.5 * z_{\log}var) * epsilon
25
26
27
   def plot_results (models,
28
                     data,
29
                      batch_size=128,
30
                     model_name="vae_mnist"):
31
       encoder, decoder = models
32
       x_{test}, y_{test} = data
       os.makedirs(model_name)
33
34
35
       filename = os.path.join(model_name, "vae_mean.png")
       z_mean, _, _ encoder.predict(x_test,
36
37
                                         batch_size=batch_size)
38
       plt. figure (figsize = (12, 10))
```

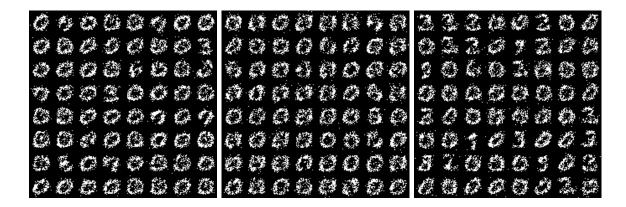
```
39
       plt.scatter(z_{mean}[:, 0], z_{mean}[:, 1], c=y_{test})
       plt.colorbar()
40
       plt.xlabel("z[0]")
41
       plt.vlabel("z[1]")
42
       plt.savefig(filename)
43
       plt.show()
44
45
       filename = os.path.join(model_name, "digits_over_latent.png")
46
       n = 30
47
        digit_size = 28
48
       figure = np.zeros((digit_size * n, digit_size * n))
49
        grid_x = np.linspace(-3, 3, n)
50
       grid_v = np. linspace(-3, 3, n)[::-1]
51
52
       for i, yi in enumerate(grid_y):
53
54
            for j, xi in enumerate(grid_x):
                z_sample = np.array([[xi, yi]])
55
                x_decoded = decoder.predict(z_sample)
56
                digit = x_decoded [0].reshape(digit_size, digit_size)
57
                figure [i * digit_size: (i + 1) * digit_size,
58
                j * digit_size: (j + 1) * digit_size] = digit
59
60
61
       plt. figure (figsize = (10, 10))
       start_range = digit_size // 2
62
       end_range = n * digit_size + start_range + 1
63
       pixel_range = np.arange(start_range, end_range, digit_size)
64
65
       sample\_range\_x = np.round(grid\_x, 1)
       sample_range_y = np.round(grid_y, 1)
66
       plt.xticks(pixel_range, sample_range_x)
67
       plt.yticks(pixel_range, sample_range_y)
68
       plt.xlabel("z[0]")
69
       plt.ylabel("z[1]")
70
       plt.imshow(figure, cmap='Greys_r')
71
       plt.savefig (filename)
72
73
       plt.show()
74
75
76
   (x_{train}, y_{train}), (x_{test}, y_{test}) = mnist.load_data()
77 image_size = x_train.shape[1]
78 original_dim = image_size * image_size
79 x_{train} = np.reshape(x_{train}, [-1, original_dim])
80 x_{test} = np.reshape(x_{test}, [-1, original_dim])
81 x_train = x_train.astype('float32') / 255
82 	ext{ x_test} = 	ext{x_test.astype} ('float 32') / 255
83 input_shape = (original_dim.)
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```
84 intermediate_dim = 256
85 \text{ batch\_size} = 128
86 \quad latent_dim = 2
87 \text{ epochs} = 50
88
89 inputs = Input(shape=input_shape, name='encoder_input')
90 x = Dense(intermediate_dim, activation='relu')(inputs)
91 z_mean = Dense(latent_dim, name='z_mean')(x)
92 z_log_var = Dense(latent_dim, name='z_log_var')(x)
93
94 z = Lambda(sampling, output_shape=(latent_dim,), name='z')([z_mean, z_log_var
95 encoder = Model(inputs, [z_mean, z_log_var, z], name='encoder')
96 encoder.summary()
97 plot_model(encoder, to_file='vae_mlp_encoder.png', show_shapes=True)
98 latent_inputs = Input(shape=(latent_dim,), name='z_sampling')
99 x = Dense(intermediate_dim, activation='relu')(latent_inputs)
100 outputs = Dense(original_dim, activation='sigmoid')(x)
101 decoder = Model(latent_inputs, outputs, name='decoder')
102 decoder.summary()
   plot_model(decoder, to_file='vae_mlp_decoder.png', show_shapes=True)
103
    outputs = decoder(encoder(inputs)[2])
104
    vae = Model(inputs, outputs, name='vae_mlp')
105
106
    if __name__ = '__main__':
107
108
        parser = argparse. ArgumentParser()
        help_ = "Load h5 model trained weights"
109
        parser.add_argument("-w", "--weights", help=help_)
110
        help_ = "Use mse loss instead of binary cross entropy (default)"
111
        parser.add_argument("-m" ,
112
113
                             help=help_, action='store_true')
114
115
        args = parser.parse_args()
        models = (encoder, decoder)
116
        data = (x_test, y_test)
117
118
        if args.mse:
             reconstruction_loss = mse(inputs, outputs)
119
120
        else:
121
            reconstruction_loss = binary_crossentropy(inputs,
122
                                                         outputs)
123
        reconstruction_loss *= original_dim
124
        kl_{loss} = 1 + z_{log_{var}} - K. square(z_{mean}) - K. exp(z_{log_{var}})
125
126
        kl\_loss = K.sum(kl\_loss, axis=-1)
127
        kl_loss *= -0.5
        vae_loss = K.mean(reconstruction_loss + kl_loss)
128
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129
        vae.add_loss(vae_loss)
130
        vae.compile(optimizer='adam')
131
        vae.summary()
        plot_model(vae,
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                     to_file='vae_mlp.png',
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                    show_shapes=True)
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        if args.weights:
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             vae.load_weights(args.weights)
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        else:
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             vae. fit (x_train,
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                      epochs=epochs,
                      batch_size=batch_size,
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                      validation_data=(x_test, None))
142
             vae.save_weights('vae_mlp_mnist.h5')
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        plot_results (models,
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                       data.
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                       batch_size=batch_size,
                       model_name="vae_mlp")
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5 Code Output images

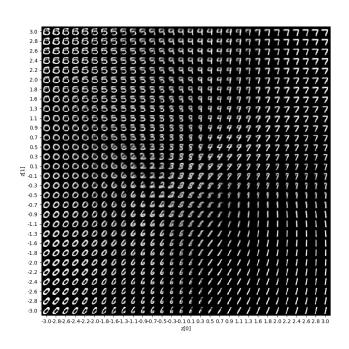
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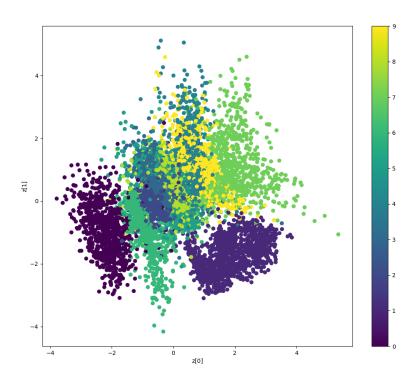


5.1.1 The first row is with 20 hidden nodes, second is with 100 and third is with 500 hidden nodes. The first column shows the output when 20 percent of the pixels are removed, similarly column 2- 50 percent and column 3-80 percent

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5.2 Part-2





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