

HW1 Fine-Grained Image Classification

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Introduction

- The purpose of this project is to classify 196 different categories of cars with different brands and types.
- Training dataset: 11185 images with ground truth
- Testing dataset: 5000 images without ground truth

Methodology

- Data pre-process and augmentation:
 - a. Resize images to (512, 512)
 - b. Random crop images to (448, 448)
 - c. Random horizontal flip
 - d. Color jitter (brightness: 0.126, saturation: 0.5)
- Model Architecture

Resnet50 provided by torchvision library with pretrained weights. The output dimension should be modified to 196 to fit the number of the categories of the dataset.

Methodology (cont.)

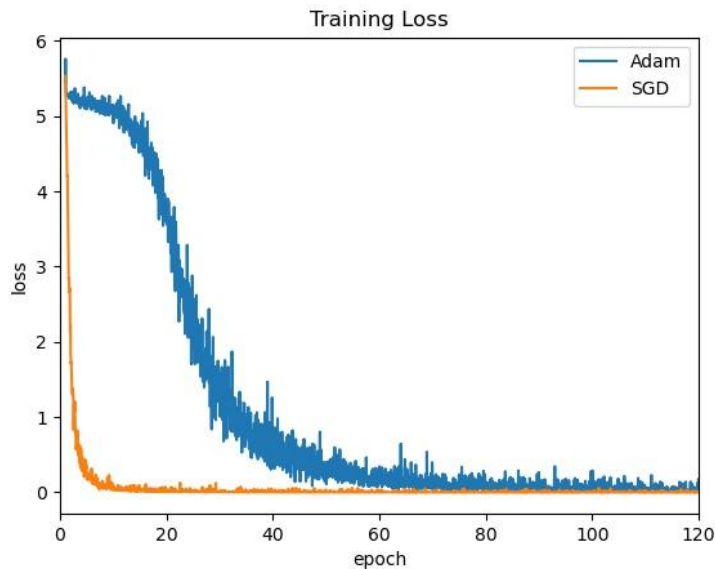
- Hyperparameters
 - Epoch: 120
 - Batch size: 64
 - NN weight initialize: kaiming normal
 - NN input image size: 448 * 448
 - Loss function: cross entropy
 - Optimizer: stochastic gradient descent with momentum=0.9
 - Learning rate: Start with 0.01, multiply by 0.99 every epoch

Experiment

- Hardware information
 - CPU: i9-10900X
 - GPU: RTX 2080ti * 3
 - RAM: 62G
- Training time for 120 epochs: about 6hrs

Experiment (cont.)

- I've tried different optimizer supported in pytorch and found that SGD with momentum performs better than Adam in both the decreasing speed of training loss and the testing accuracy.
- Testing accuracy after 120 epochs:
 - SGD: 0.948
 - Adam: 0.823



Code and Reference

- [Github Link](#)
- References are listed in README.md in github repository.