

Neural Network Approximation

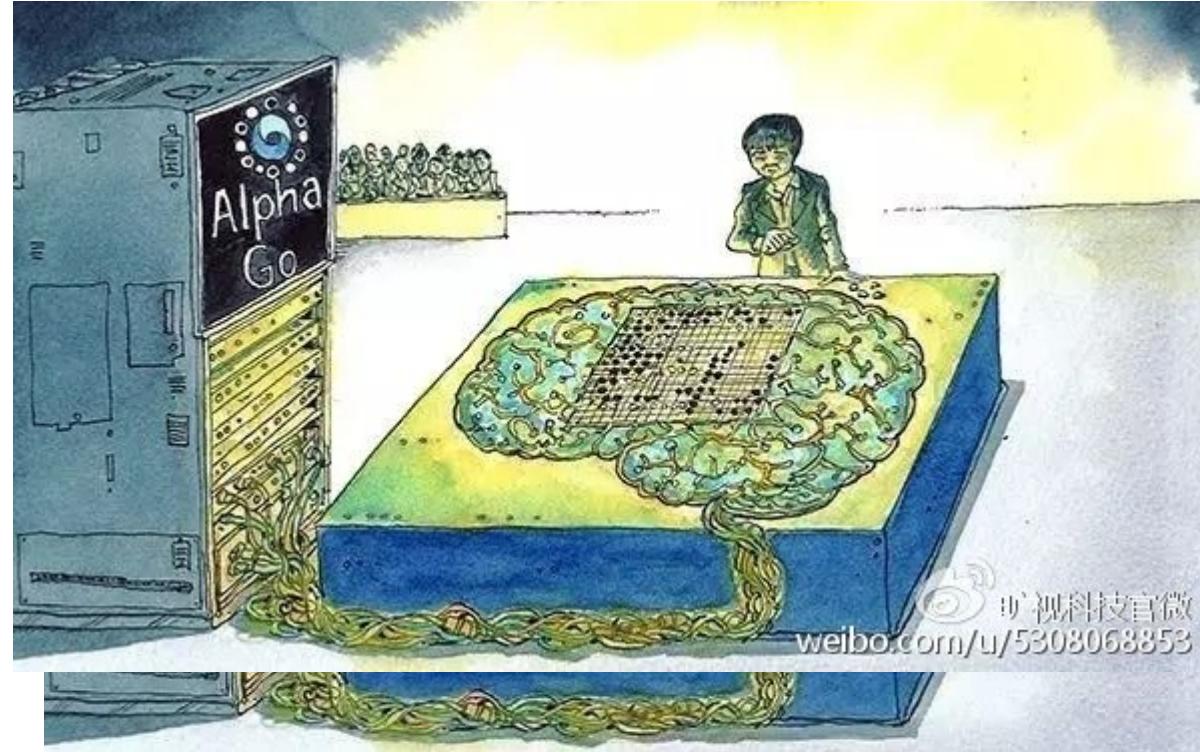
Low rank, Sparsity, and Quantization

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Motivation

- Faster Inference
 - Saves time and energy
- Faster Training
 - Higher iteration speed
 - Saves life
- Smaller storage size
- Smaller memory footprint



Lee Sedol v.s. AlphaGo

83 Watt

77 kWatt

THE #1 PROGRAMMER EXCUSE FOR LEGITIMATELY SLACKING OFF: "MY MODEL'S TRAINING"



Neural Network

Machine Learning as Optimization

- Supervised learning

- θ is the parameter
- \hat{y} is output, X is input
- y is ground truth
- d is the objective function

$$\min_{\theta} d(y, \hat{y})$$

where $\hat{y} = f(X, \theta)$

- Unsupervised learning

- some oracle function r: low rank, sparse, K

$$\min_{\theta} r(\hat{y})$$

where $\hat{y} = f(X, \theta)$

Machine Learning as Optimization

- Regularized supervised learning
 - $\min_{\theta} d(y, \hat{y}) + r(\hat{y})$
where $\hat{y} = f(X, \theta)$
- Probabilistic interpretation
 - d measures conditional probability
 - r measures prior probability
 - Probability approach is more constrained than the optimization-approach due to normalization problem
 - Not easy to represent uniform distribution over $[0, \infty]$

$$\begin{aligned}d(y, \hat{y}) &= -\log p(y|\hat{y}) \\r(\hat{y}) &= -\log p(\hat{y}) \\ \Rightarrow d(y, \hat{y}) + r(\hat{y}) &= -\log p(y)\end{aligned}$$

Gradient descent

$$\min_{\theta} d(y, \hat{y}) + r(\hat{y})$$

where $\hat{y} = f(X, \theta)$

- Can be solved by an ODE: $\dot{\theta} = -\frac{\partial C(\theta(t))}{\partial \theta}$
 - Discretizing with step length λ we get gradient descent with learning rate λ
 - $\dot{\theta} \approx \frac{\theta_{t+\lambda} - \theta_t}{\lambda}$  $\theta_{t+\lambda} = \theta_t - \lambda \frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$

- Convergence proof

$$\frac{dC(\theta)}{dt} = \frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial \theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = -\left(\frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 \leq 0$$

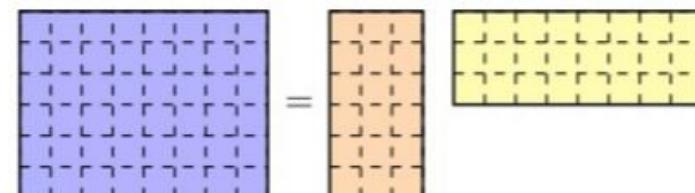
Linear Regression

- $\min_W \|y - Wx\|^2$
 - $\hat{y} = f(X, \theta) = WX$
 - $d(y, \hat{y}) = \|y - \hat{y}\|^2$
 - x is input, \hat{y} is prediction, y is ground truth.
 - W with dimension (m, n)
 - #param = $m n$, #OPs = $m n$
- $y \approx \hat{y} = Wx$

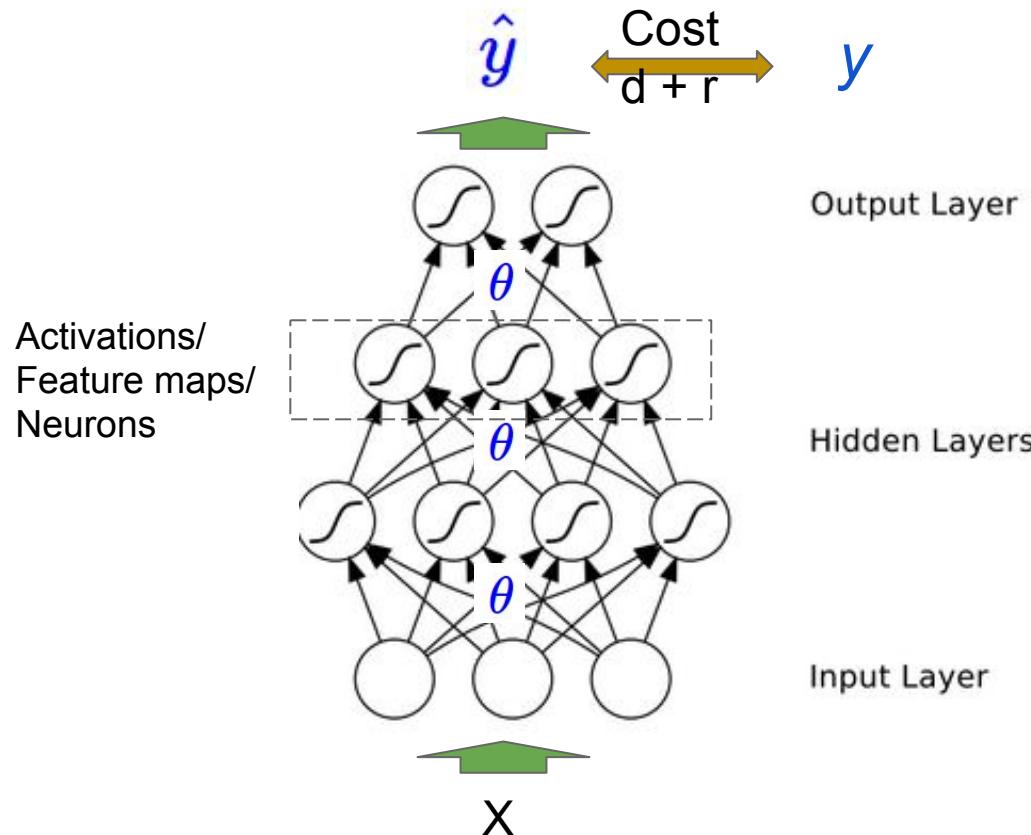


Fully-connected

- $y \approx W_2 f(W_1(x))$
 - In general, will use nonlinearity to increase “model capacity”.
 - Make sense if f is identity? I.e.
 $f(x) = x?$
 - Sometimes, if W_2 is m by r and W_1 is r by n , then $W_2 W_1$ is a matrix of rank r , which is different from a m by n matrix.
- $y \approx W_3(f(W_2 f(W_1(x))))$
 - Deep learning!



Neural Network



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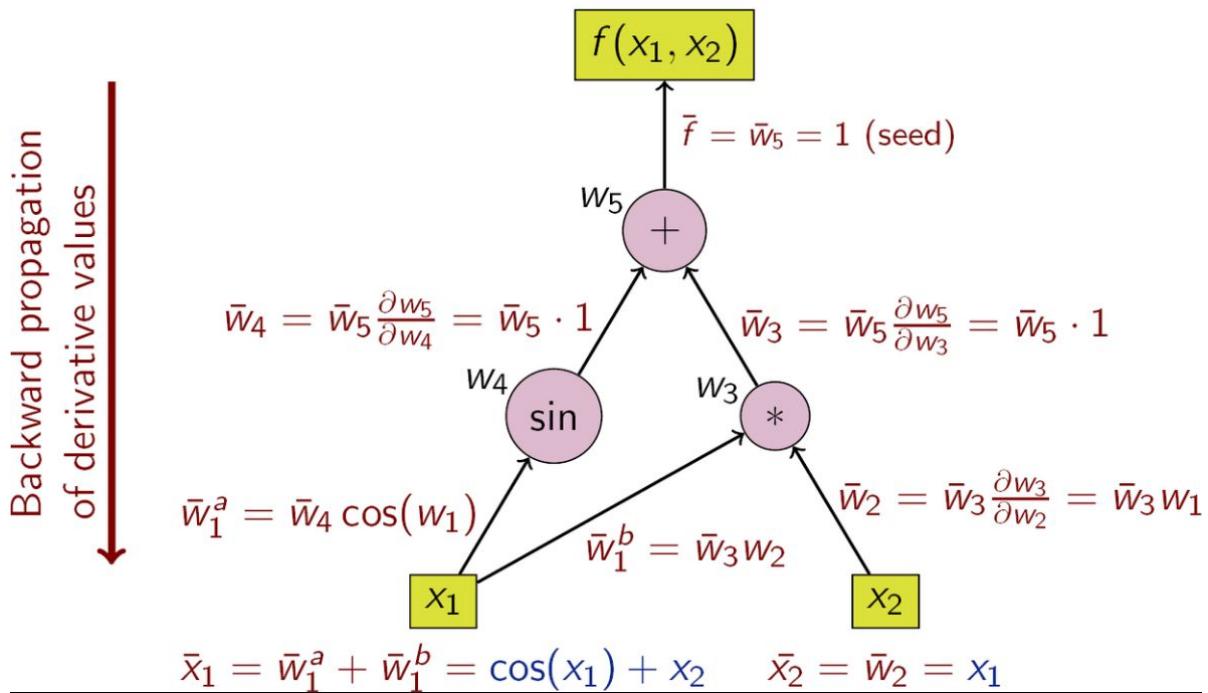
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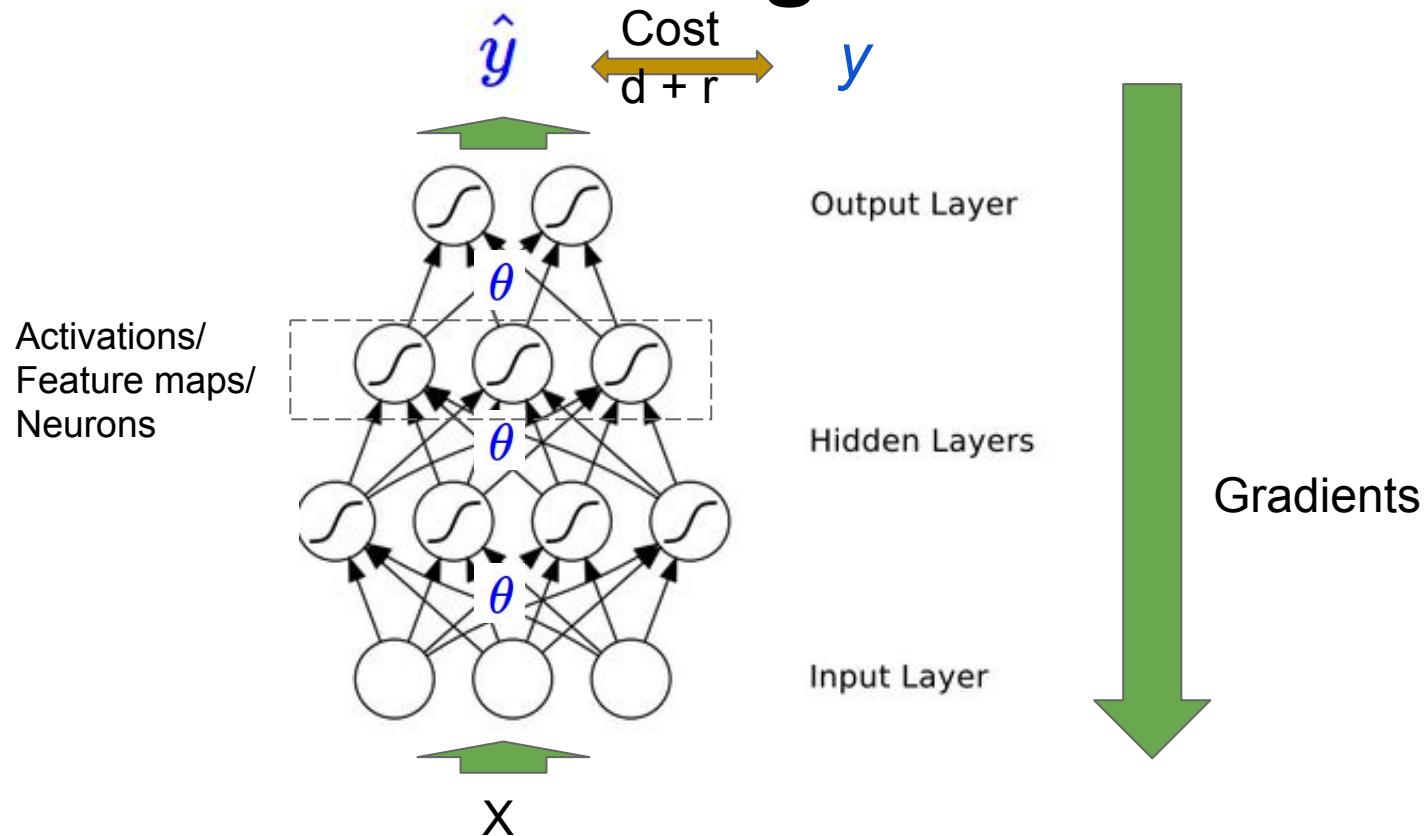
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Backpropagation

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_1} \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_2} \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial w_1} \right) \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \left(\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_3} \frac{\partial w_3}{\partial w_2} \right) \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial w_1} \right) \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \dots$$

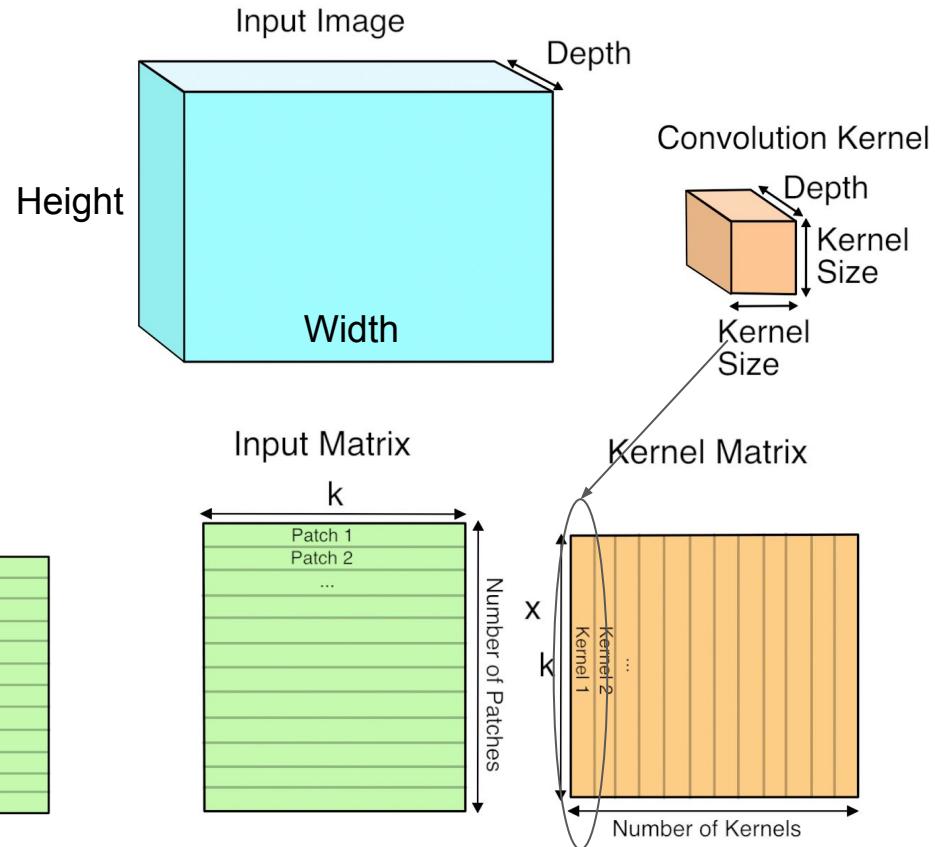
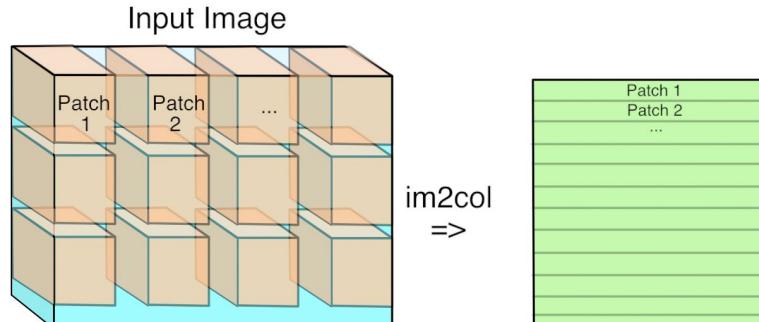


Neural Network Training

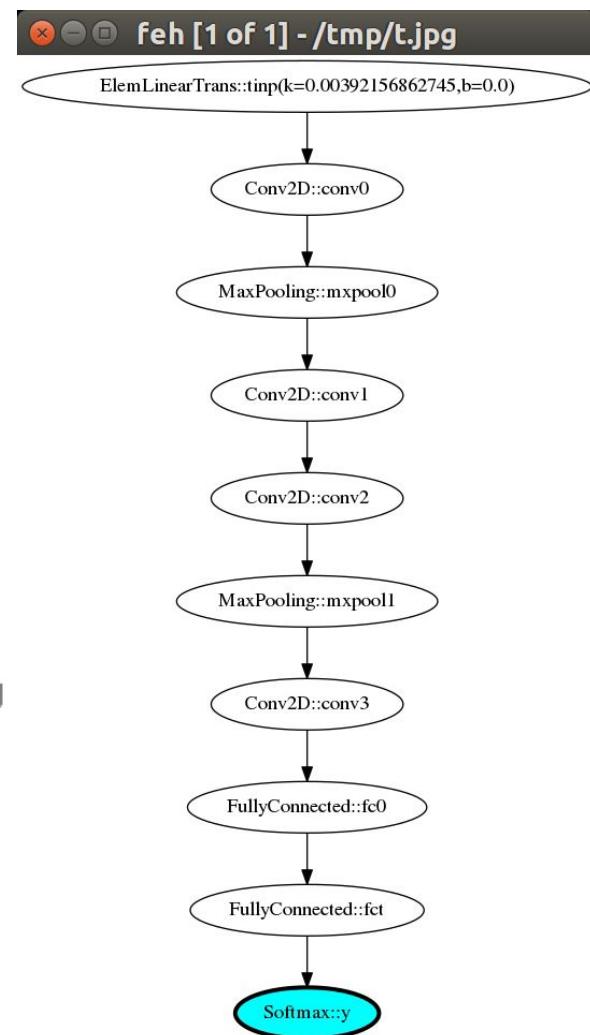
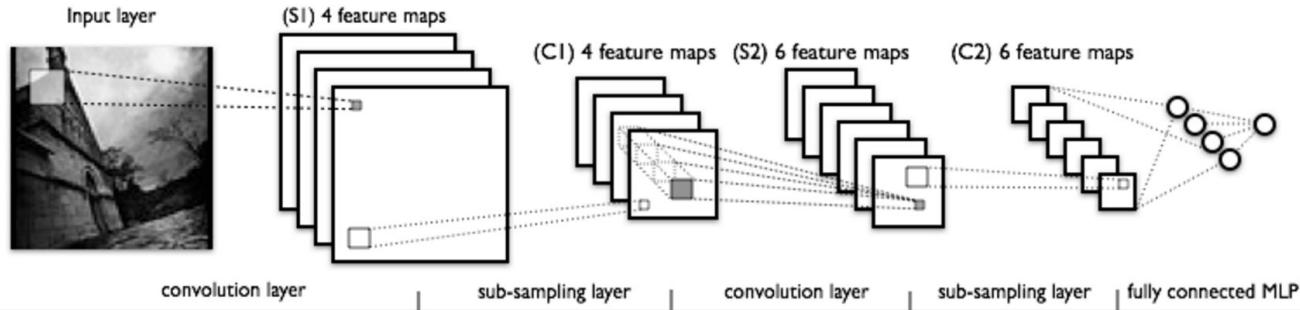


Method 2: Convolution as matrix product

- Convolution
 - feature map $<N, C, H', W'>$
 - weights $<K, C, H, W>$
- Convolution as FC
 - under proper padding, can extract patches
 - feature map $<N H' W', C H W>$
 - weights $<C H W, K>$



CNN: Alexnet-like



Importance of Convolutions and FC

param_name	shape	#floats	size	perc
conv0_W	(24, 3, 5, 5)	1800	7.0 Kib	0.21%
conv0_b	(24,)	24	96.0 B	0.00%
conv1_W	(32, 24, 3, 3)	6912	27.0 KiB	0.80%
conv1_b	(32,)	32	128.0 B	0.00%
conv2_W	(32, 32, 3, 3)	9216	36.0 KiB	1.07%
conv2_b	(32,)	32	128.0 B	0.00%
conv3_W	(64, 32, 3, 3)	18432	72.0 KiB	2.14%
conv3_b	(64,)	64	256.0 B	0.01%
fc0_W	(1600, 512)	819200	3.1 MiB	95.11% #####
fc0_b	(512,)	512	2.0 Kib	0.06%
fct_W	(512, 10)	5120	20.0 KiB	0.59%
fct_b	(10,)	10	40.0 B	0.00%
total size		861354	3.3 MiB	

Neupack: inspect_model.py
NeuPeak: npk-model-manip XXX info

Most storage size

Feature map size

layer_name	ispace	ospace	osize	#ops	readable	perc
tinp	(3, 40, 40)	(3, 40, 40)	4800	0	0.0	0.00%
conv0	(3, 40, 40)	(24, 36, 36)	31104	2332800	2.2 Mi	32.43% #####
nxpool0	(24, 36, 36)	(24, 18, 18)	7776	0	0.0	0.00%
conv1	(24, 18, 18)	(32, 16, 16)	8192	1769472	1.7 Mi	24.60% #####
conv2	(32, 16, 16)	(32, 14, 14)	6272	1806336	1.7 Mi	25.11% #####
nxpool1	(32, 14, 14)	(32, 7, 7)	1568	0	0.0	0.00%
conv3	(32, 7, 7)	(64, 5, 5)	1600	460800	450.0 Ki	6.41% ##
fc0	(64, 5, 5)	(512, 1, 1)	512	819712	800.5 Ki	11.39% #####
fct	(512, 1, 1)	(10, 1, 1)	10	5130	5.0 Ki	0.07%
y	(10, 1, 1)	(10, 1, 1)	10	0	0.0	0.00%
total OPs				7194250	6.9 MiOps	

Most Computation

The Matrix View of Neural Network

- Weights of FullyConnected and Convolutions layers
 - take up most computation and storage size
 - are representable as matrices
- Approximating the matrices approximates the network
 - The approximation error accumulates.

$$W_a \approx W \Rightarrow f(X, W_a) \approx f(X, W)$$

Low rank Approximation

Singular Value Decomposition

- Matrix decomposition view
 - $A = U S V^T$
 - Rows of U, V are orthogonal. S is diagonal.
 - $u, s, v^T = np.linalg.svd(x, \text{full_matrices}=0, \text{compute_uv}=1)$
 - The diagonals are non-negative and are in descending order.
 - $U^T U = I$, but $U U^T$ is not full rank

$$A_{m \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}_{m \times k} \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}_{k \times k} \begin{bmatrix} & & \\ & & \\ & & \end{bmatrix}_{k \times n}$$

Compact SVD

Truncated SVD

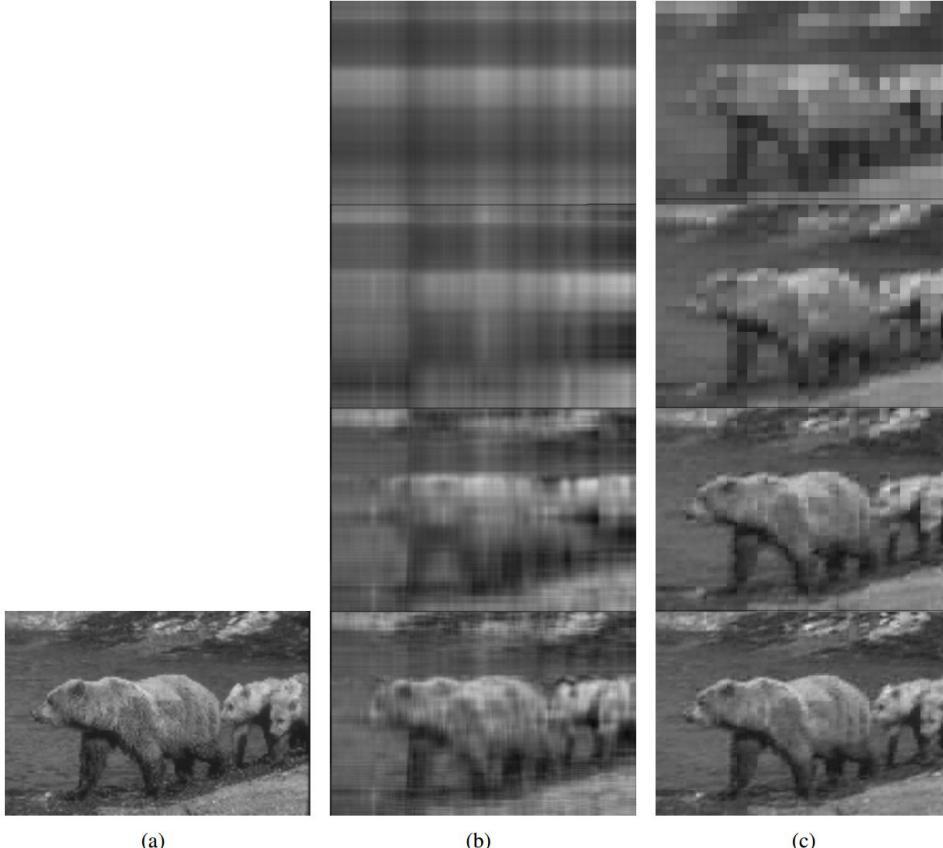
- Assume diagonals of S are in descending order
 - Always achievable
 - Just ignore the blue segments.

$$A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T$$

The diagram illustrates the truncated SVD decomposition $A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T$. It shows four matrices arranged horizontally:

- A_k : An empty square matrix.
- U_k : A vertical rectangle divided into two colored segments: red on the left and green on the right, separated by a vertical blue line.
- Σ_k : A square matrix with a diagonal black segment and a small red/green segment at the bottom-left corner, separated by a blue line.
- V_k^T : A horizontal rectangle divided into two colored segments: red on top and green on the bottom, separated by a blue line.

Below each matrix is a question mark in its respective color: **k?** (red), **k?** (green), **k?** (blue), and **k?** (blue).



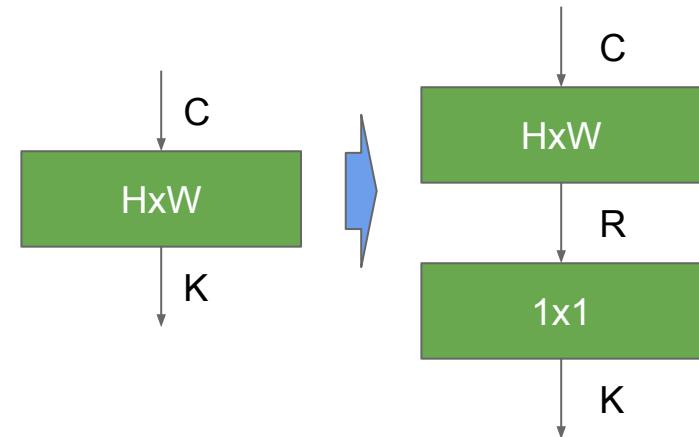
1: Comparison between approximations by outer product and Kronecker product for an image. The column (a) is the origin image of size 480×320 , selected from BSD500 dataset Arbelaez et al. (2011). The column (b) is the SVD approximations of (a) by outer product and the column (c) is the approximation based on Kronecker product Van Loan and Pitsianis (1993), with rank 1, 2, 5, 10 respectively from top to down. The shape of the right matrix in the Kronecker product is deliberately selected as 20×16 to make the number of parameters equal for each rank.

Matrix factorization => Convolution factorization

- Factorization into $H \times W$ followed by 1×1

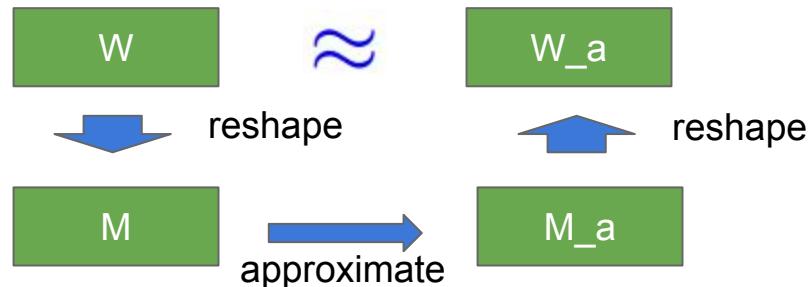
- feature map ($N H' W', C H W$)
- first conv weights ($C H W, R$)
- feature map ($N H' W', R$)
- second conv weights (R, K)
- feature map ($N H' W', K$)

$$\begin{matrix} & K \\ \text{CHW} & \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & R \\ & \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} & K \\ R & \end{matrix}$$



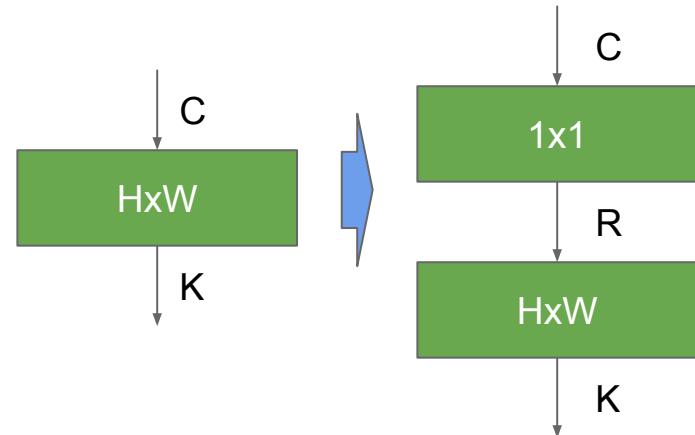
Approximating Convolution Weight

- W is a (K, C, H, W) 4-tensor
 - can be reshaped to a (CHW, K) matrix, etc.
- F-norm is invariant under reshape
 - $\|M - M_a\|_F = \|\text{reshape}(W) - \text{reshape}(W_a)\|_F = \|W - W_a\|_F$



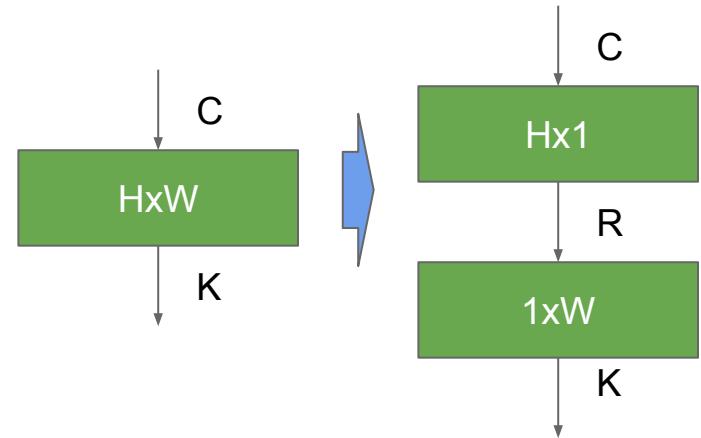
Matrix factorization => Convolution factorization

- Factorization into 1×1 followed by $H \times W$
 - feature map ($N H' W' H W, C$)
 - first conv weights (C, R)
 - feature map ($N H' W' H W, R) = (N H' W', R H W)$
 - second conv weights ($R H W, K$)
 - feature map ($N H' W', K$)
- Steps
 - Reshape (CHW, K) to (C, HW, K)
 - $(C, HW, K) = (C, R) (R, HW, K)$
 - Reshape (R, HW, K) to (RHW, K)



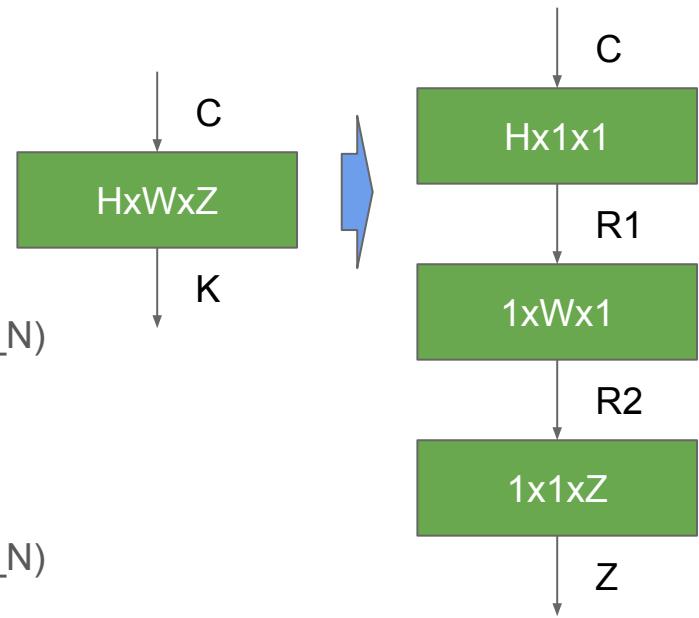
Horizontal-Vertical Decomposition

- Approximating with Separable Filters
- Original Convolution
 - feature map ($N H' W', C H W$)
 - weights ($C H W, K$)
- Factorization into $Hx1$ followed by $1xW$
 - feature map ($N H' W' W, C H$)
 - first conv weights ($C H, R$)
 - feature map ($N H' W' W, R$) = ($N H' W', R W$)
 - second conv weights ($R W, K$)
 - feature map ($N H' W', K$)
- Steps
 - Reshape (CHW, K) to (CH, WK)
 - $(CH, WK) = (CH, R) (R, WK)$
 - Reshape (R, WK) to (RW, K)



Factorizing N-D convolution

- Original Convolution
 - let dimension be N
 - feature map ($N D'_1 D'_2 \dots D'_Z, C D_1 D_2 \dots D_N$)
 - weights ($C D_1 D_2 \dots D_N, K$)
- Factorization into N number of $D_i \times 1$
 - $R_0 = C, R_Z = K$
 - feature map ($N D'_1 D'_2 \dots D'_Z, C D_1 D_2 \dots D_N$)
 - weights ($R_0 D_1, R_1$)
 - feature map ($N D'_1 D'_2 \dots D'_Z, R_1 D_2 \dots D_N$)
 - weights ($R_1 D_2, R_2$)
 - ...



SVD

$$M = s_1 u_1 \times v_1^T + s_2 u_2 \times v_2^T + \cdots + s_r u_r \times v_r^T$$

+

Kronecker
Product



$$\begin{matrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B & a_{13}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B & a_{23}B \end{matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & a_{1,3} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & a_{2,3} \end{pmatrix} \otimes B$$

- KPSVD:

$$A \approx A_r = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i U_i \otimes V_i.$$

Kronecker Conv

- $(C H W, K)$
- Reshape as $(C_1 C_2 H W, K_1 K_2)$
- Steps
 - Feature map is $(N C H' W')$
 - Extract patches and reshape $(N H' W' C_2, C_1 H)$
 - apply $(C_1 H, K_1 R)$
 - Feature map is $(N K_1 R H' W' C_2)$
 - Extract patches and reshape $(N K_1 H' W', R C_2 W)$
 - apply $(R C_2 W, K_2)$
- For rank efficiency, should have
 - $R C_2 \backslash \text{approx } C_1$

Tensor Train Decomposition

Oseledets, 2009:

TT-format

$$A(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_d) \approx \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{d-1}} G_1(i_1, \alpha_1) G_2(\alpha_1, i_2, \alpha_2) \dots G_d(\alpha_{d-1}, i_d)$$

$$f = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_d$$

Canonical rank: d

TT-rank: 2

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \sin(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_d)$$

FTT-decomposition has form

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} \sin x_1 & \cos x_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos x_2 & -\sin x_2 \\ \sin x_2 & \cos x_2 \end{pmatrix} \dots \dots$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos x_{d-1} & -\sin x_{d-1} \\ \sin x_{d-1} & \cos x_{d-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos x_d \\ \sin x_d \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ x_2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \dots \dots \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ x_{d-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_d \end{pmatrix}$$

Tensor Train Decomposition: just a few SVD's

Require: d -dimensional tensor \mathbf{A} required accuracy ε

Ensure: Cores G_1, \dots, G_d of the TT-approximation \mathbf{B} to \mathbf{A} in the TT-format with smallest possible compression ranks \hat{r}_k such that

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F \leq \varepsilon \|\mathbf{A}\|_F,$$

{Initialization}

Compute truncation parameter $\delta = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d-1}} \|\mathbf{A}\|_F$.

Temporary tensor: $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}$.

$N = \text{numel}(\mathbf{A})$, $r_0 = 1$.

for $k = 1$ to $d - 1$ **do**

$\mathbf{C} := \text{reshape}(\mathbf{C}, [r_{k-1} n_k, \frac{N}{r_{k-1} n_k}]).$

Compute δ -truncated SVD: $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^\top + \mathbf{E}$, $\|\mathbf{E}\|_F \leq \delta$, $r_k = \text{rank}_\delta(\mathbf{C})$.

New core: $G_k := \text{reshape}(\mathbf{U}, [r_{k-1}, n_k, r_k]).$

$\mathbf{C} := \mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^\top.$

$N := \frac{Nr_k}{n_k r_{k-1}}.$

end for

$G_d = \mathbf{C}$.

Return tensor \mathbf{B} in TT-format with cores G_1, \dots, G_d .

"Exploiting Local Structures with the Kronecker Layer in Convolutional Networks"

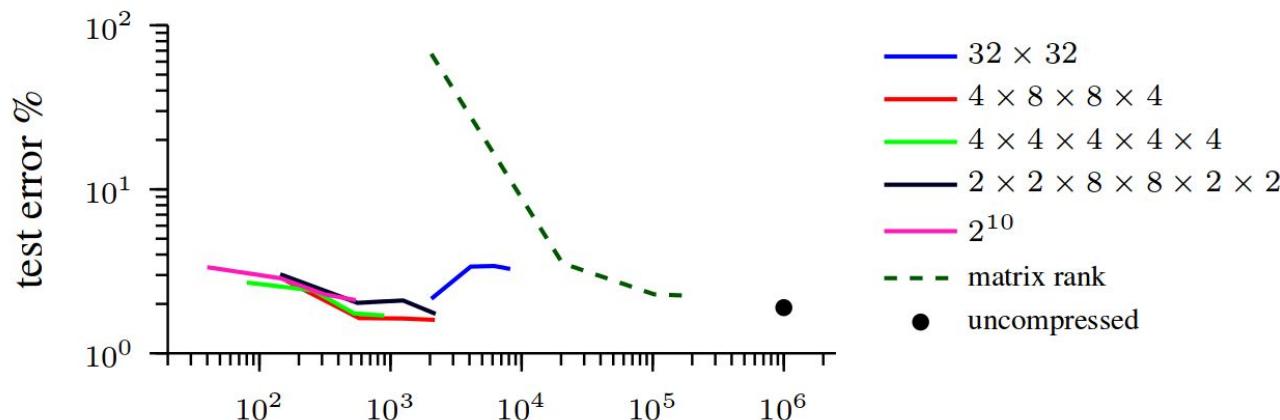
Methods	Configuration (r, o_1, c_1, h_1, w_1)	Validation Error	Speedup
Baseline	/	7.84%	/
KConv-a	1,128,24,9,1; 1,256,64,8,1	8.76%	3.3×
KConv-b	1,128,48,1,9; 1,512,64,1,8	8.69%	3.0×
KConv-c	2,64,24,9,1; 2,256,64,8,1	7.87%	2.9×

We have also experimented replacing the first convolutional layer with KConv layer. In this case, KConv with $(r, o_1, c_1, h_1, w_1) = (2, 12, 1, 1, 9)$, is found to outperform Jaderberg-style rank-1 filter with $(r, o_1, c_1, h_1, w_1) = (2, 96, 1, 1, 9)$ by 0.83%.

Tensor Train Decomposition on FC

Type	1 im. time (ms)	100 im. time (ms)
CPU fully-connected layer	16.1	97.2
CPU TT-layer	1.2	94.7
GPU fully-connected layer	2.7	33
GPU TT-layer	1.9	12.9

Table 3: Inference time for a 25088×4096 fully-connected layer and its corresponding TT-layer with all the TT-ranks equal 4. The memory usage for feeding forward one image is 392MB for the fully-connected layer and 0.766MB for the TT-layer.



CP-decomposition and Xception

- Xception: Deep Learning with Depthwise Separable Convolutions [1610](#)
- CP-decomposition with Tensor Power Method for Convolutional Neural Networks Compression [1701](#)
- MobileNets: Efficient Convolutional Neural Networks for Mobile Vision Applications [1704](#)
 - They submitted the paper to CVPR about the same time as Xception.

Layer/Modification	Million Mult-Adds	Million Parameters
Convolution	462	2.36
Depthwise Separable Conv	52.3	0.27
$\alpha = 0.75$	29.6	0.15
$\rho = 0.714$	15.1	0.15

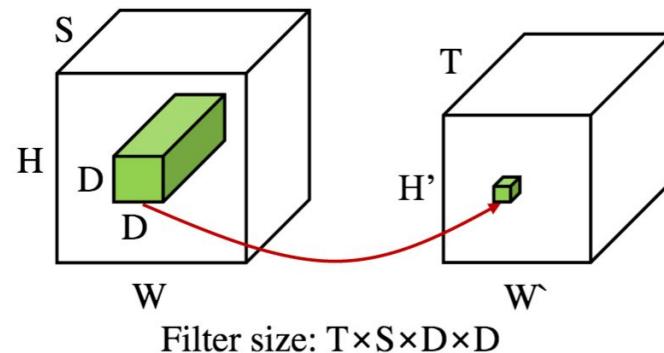
Model	ImageNet	Million Mult-Adds	Million Parameters
	Accuracy		
0.75 MobileNet	68.4%	325	2.6
Shallow MobileNet	65.3%	307	2.9

Matrix Joint Diagonalization = CP

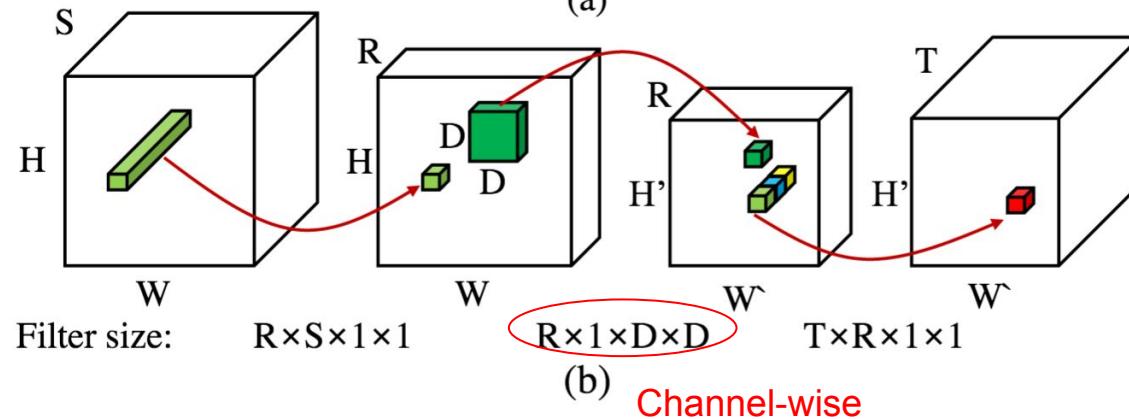
$$T = \begin{matrix} \text{green rectangle} \\ \times \\ \text{3D cube with diagonal plane labeled } S \\ \times \\ \text{green rectangle} \end{matrix}$$
$$T_1 = \begin{matrix} \text{green rectangles} \\ \equiv \\ \text{green rectangle} \\ \times \\ \text{3D cube with diagonal plane labeled } S \\ \times \\ \text{green rectangle} \end{matrix}$$

CP-decomposition and Xception

Convolution



Xception



Channel Pruning

- Learning the Number of Neurons in Deep Networks [1611](#)

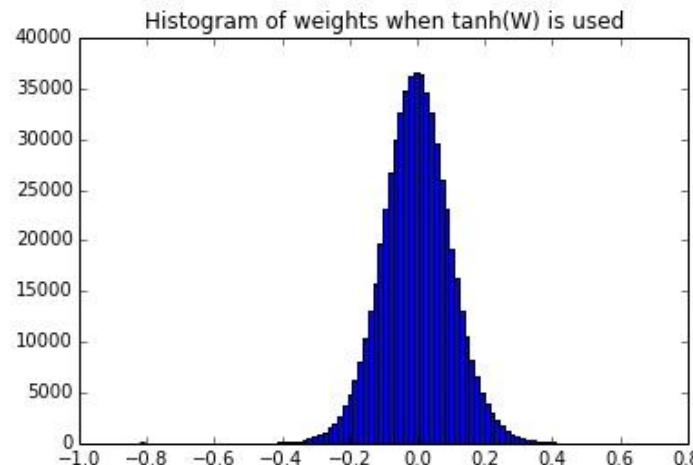
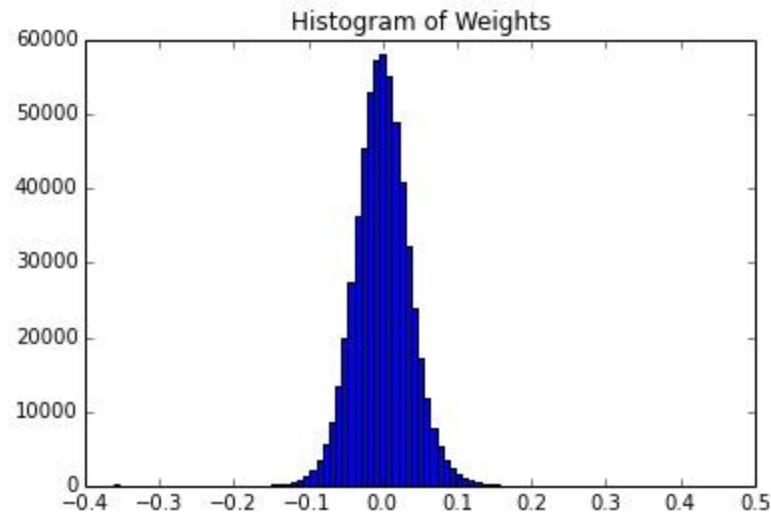
$$\min_{\Theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \ell(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i, \Theta)) + r(\Theta)$$

- Channel Pruning for Accelerating Very Deep Neural Networks (to appear)
 - Also exploits low-rankness of features

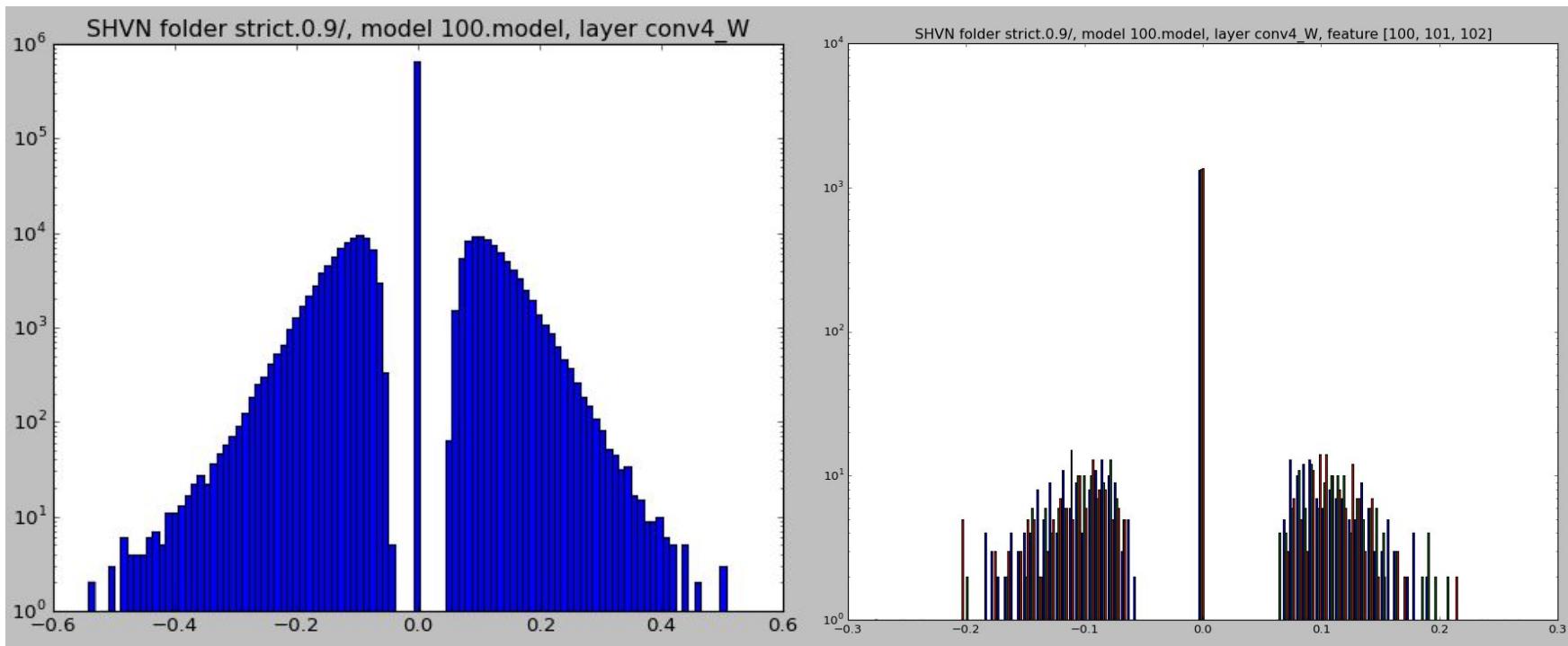
Sparse Approximation

Distribution of Weights

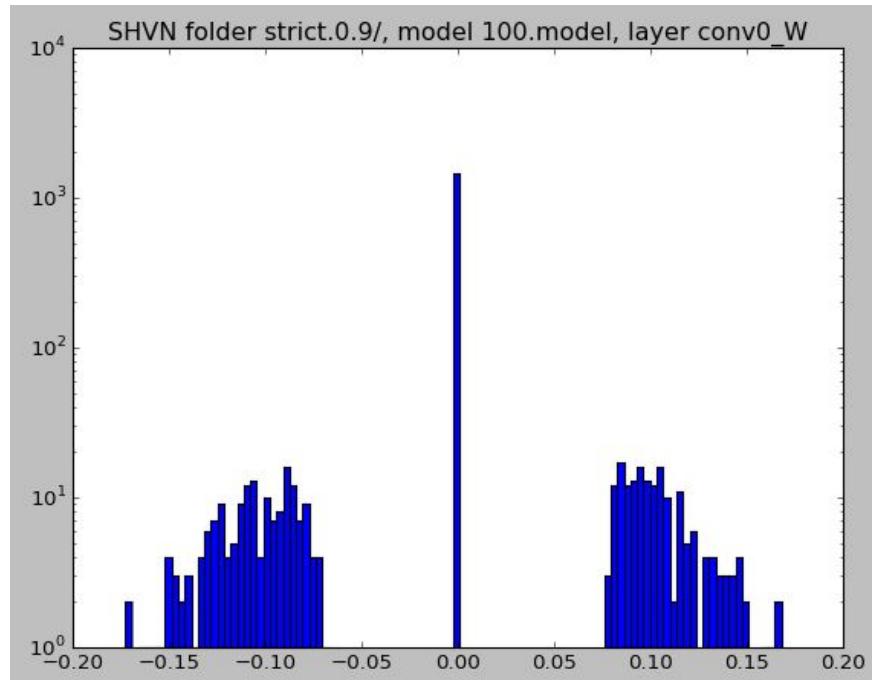
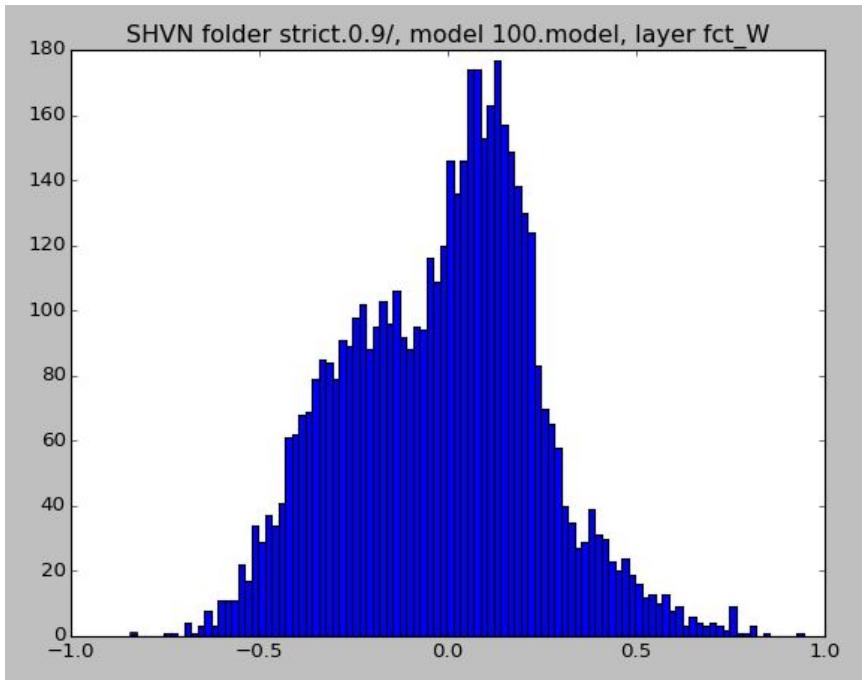
- Universal across convolutions and FC
- Concentration of values near 0
- Large values ***cannot*** be dropped
 - there will be no large values if $\tanh(W)$ is used in training



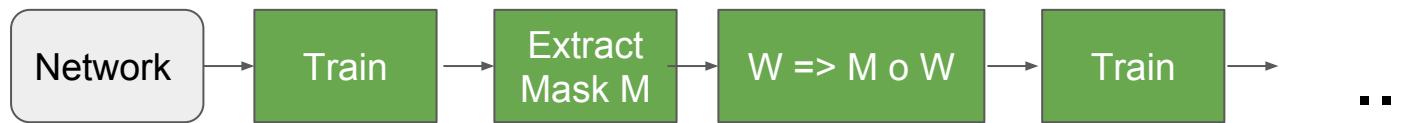
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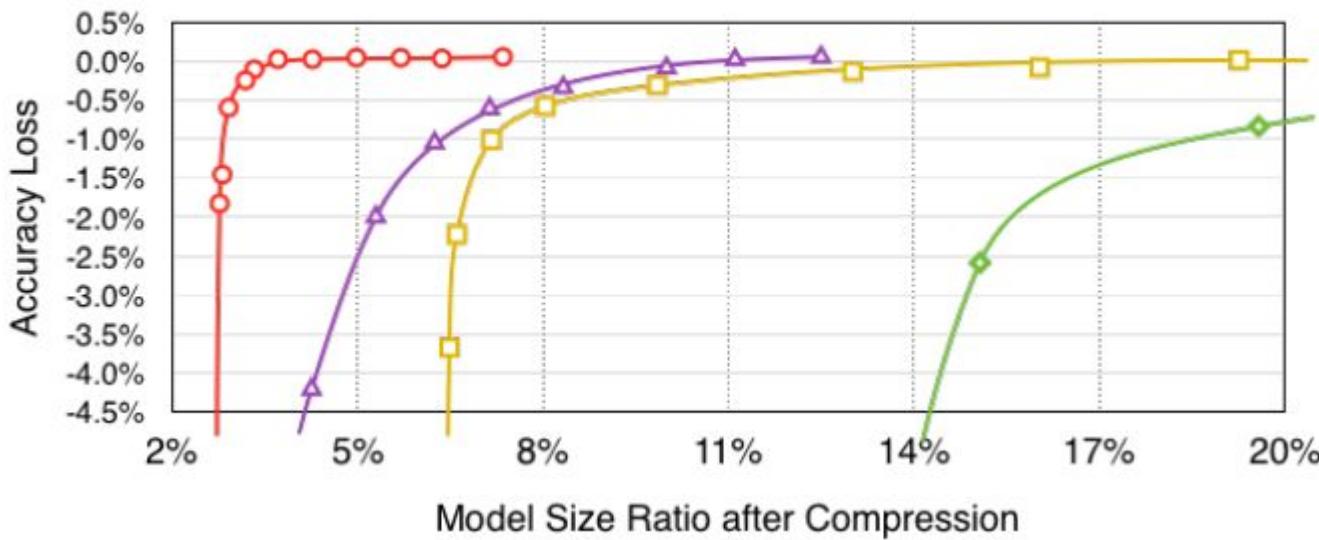
Sparsity of NN: statistics



Weight Pruning: from DeepCompression



◆ Pruning + Quantization ▲ Pruning Only □ Quantization Only ◇ SVD



The model has been trained with excessive #epoch.

Sparse Matrix at Runtime

- Sparse Matrix = Discrete Mask + Continuous values
 - Mask cannot be learnt the normal way
 - The values have well-defined gradients
- The matrix value look up need go through a LUT
 - CSR format
 - A: NNZ values
 - IA: accumulated #NNZ of rows
 - JA: the column in the row

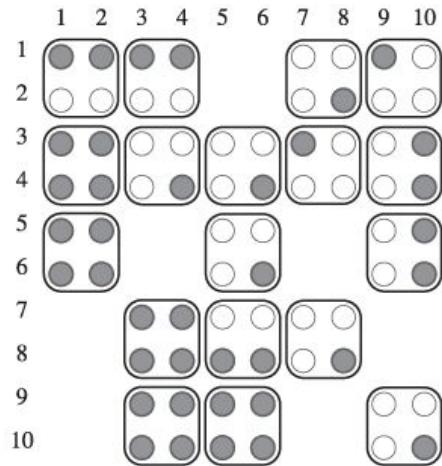
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= [5 8 3 6] \\ IA &= [0 0 2 3 4] \\ JA &= [0 1 2 1] \end{aligned}$$

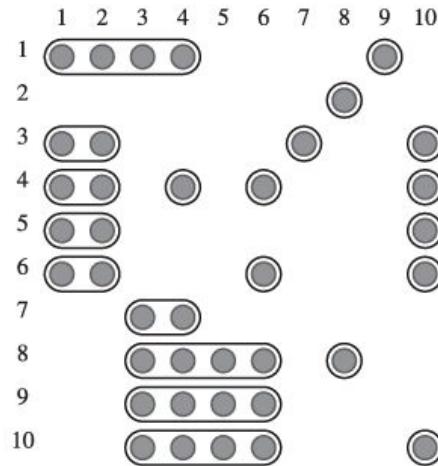
Burden of Sparseness

- ***Lost of regularity of memory access and computation***

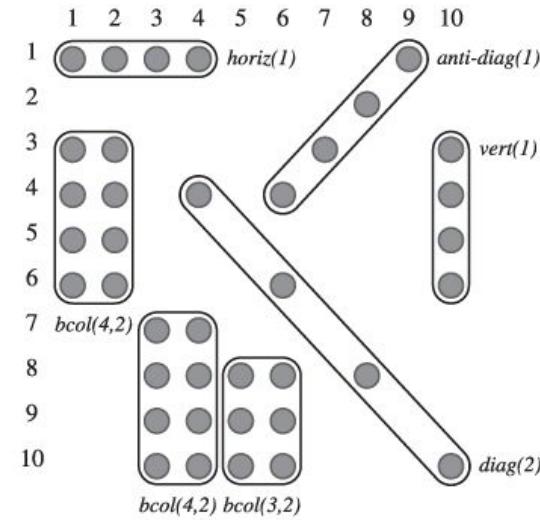
- Need special hardware for efficient access
- May need high zero ratio to match dense matrix
 - Matrices will less than 70% zero values, better to treat as dense matrices.



(a) BCSR.



(b) VBL.



(c) CSX.

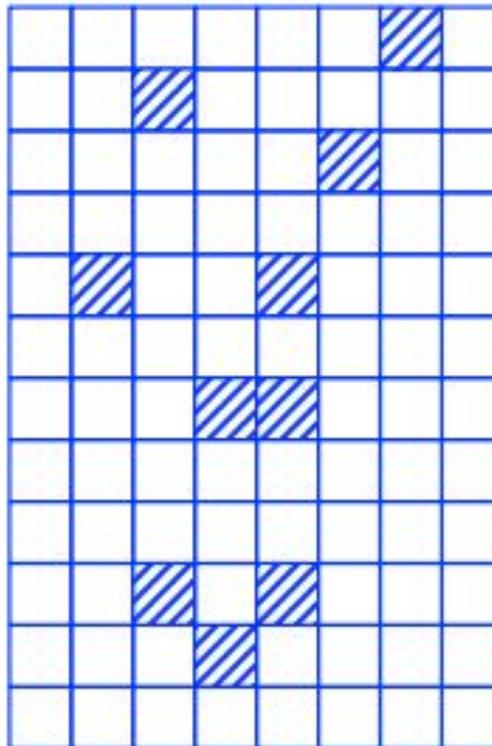
Convolution layers are harder to compress than FC

Table 5: Compression statistics for VGG-16. P: pruning, Q:quantization, H:Huffman coding.

Layer	#Weights	Weights% (P)	Weigh bits (P+Q)	Weight bits (P+Q+H)	Index bits (P+Q)	Index bits (P+Q+H)	Compress rate (P+Q)	Compress rate (P+Q+H)
conv1_1	2K	58%	8	6.8	5	1.7	40.0%	29.97%
conv1_2	37K	22%	8	6.5	5	2.6	9.8%	6.99%
conv2_1	74K	34%	8	5.6	5	2.4	14.3%	8.91%
conv2_2	148K	36%	8	5.9	5	2.3	14.7%	9.31%
conv3_1	295K	53%	8	4.8	5	1.8	21.7%	11.15%
conv3_2	590K	24%	8	4.6	5	2.9	9.7%	5.67%
conv3_3	590K	42%	8	4.6	5	2.2	17.0%	8.96%
conv4_1	1M	32%	8	4.6	5	2.6	13.1%	7.29%
conv4_2	2M	27%	8	4.2	5	2.9	10.9%	5.93%
conv4_3	2M	34%	8	4.4	5	2.5	14.0%	7.47%
conv5_1	2M	35%	8	4.7	5	2.5	14.3%	8.00%
conv5_2	2M	29%	8	4.6	5	2.7	11.7%	6.52%
conv5_3	2M	36%	8	4.6	5	2.3	14.8%	7.79%
fc6	103M	4%	5	3.6	5	3.5	1.6%	1.10%
fc7	17M	4%	5	4	5	4.3	1.5%	1.25%
fc8	4M	23%	5	4	5	3.4	7.1%	5.24%
Total	138M	7.5% (13×)	6.4	4.1	5	3.1	3.2% (31×)	2.05% (49×)

Dynamic Generation of Code

- Relies on compiler for
 - register allocation
 - scheduling
- Good on CPU



Input:

A: 8×12 dense matrix

B: 12×8 sparse matrix

Output:

$$C = A \times B$$

Operations:

$$c_7+ = a_1 \times b_{1,7}$$

$$c_3+ = a_2 \times b_{2,3}$$

$$c_6+ = a_3 \times b_{3,6}$$

$$c_2+ = a_5 \times b_{5,2}$$

$$c_5+ = a_5 \times b_{5,5}$$

$$c_4+ = a_7 \times b_{7,4}$$

$$c_5+ = a_7 \times b_{7,5}$$

$$c_3+ = a_{10} \times b_{10,3}$$

$$c_5+ = a_{10} \times b_{10,5}$$

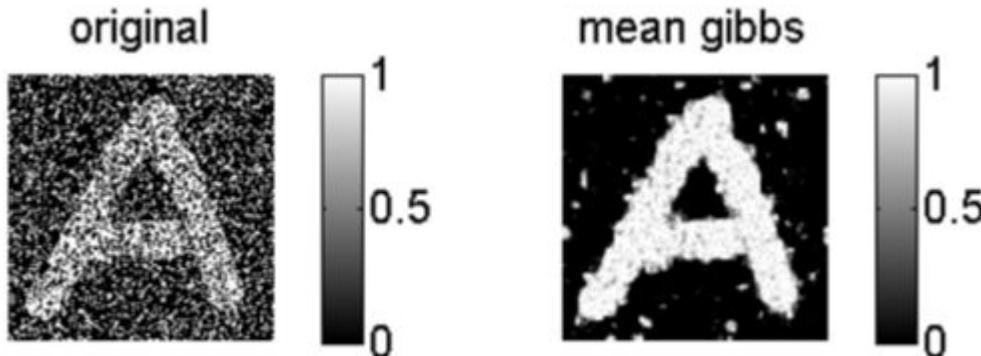
$$c_4+ = a_{11} \times b_{11,4}$$

Quantization

Precursor: Ising model & Boltzmann machine

- Ising model
 - used to model magnetics
 - 1D has trivial analytic solution
 - 2D exhibits phase-transition
 - 2D Ising model can be used for denoising
 - when the mean signal is reliable
- Inference also requires optimization

$$H(\sigma) = - \sum_{\langle i j \rangle} J_{ij} \sigma_i \sigma_j - \mu \sum_j h_j \sigma_j$$

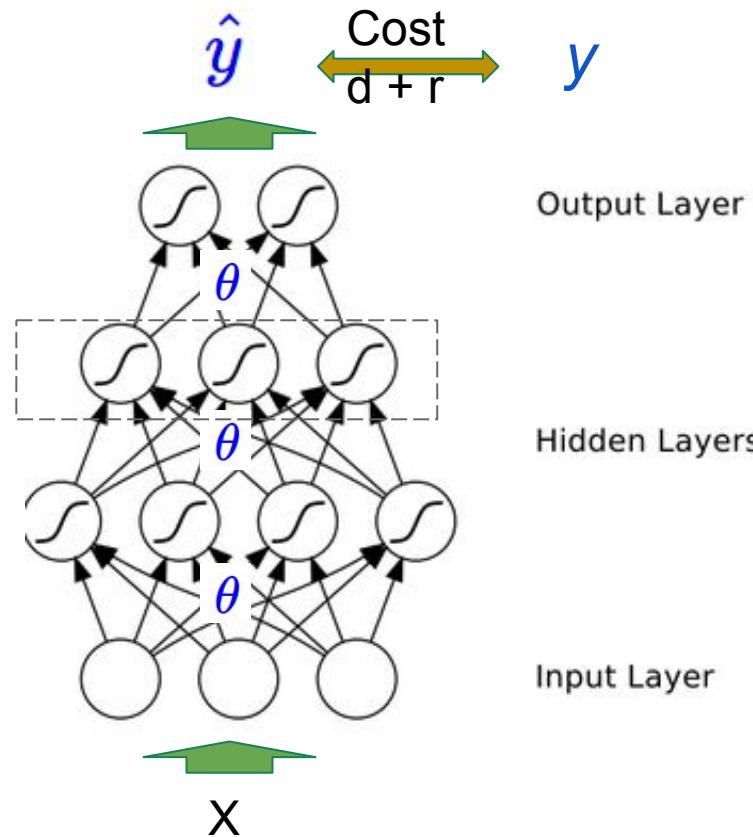


Neural Network Training

Quantized

Activations/
Feature maps/
Neurons

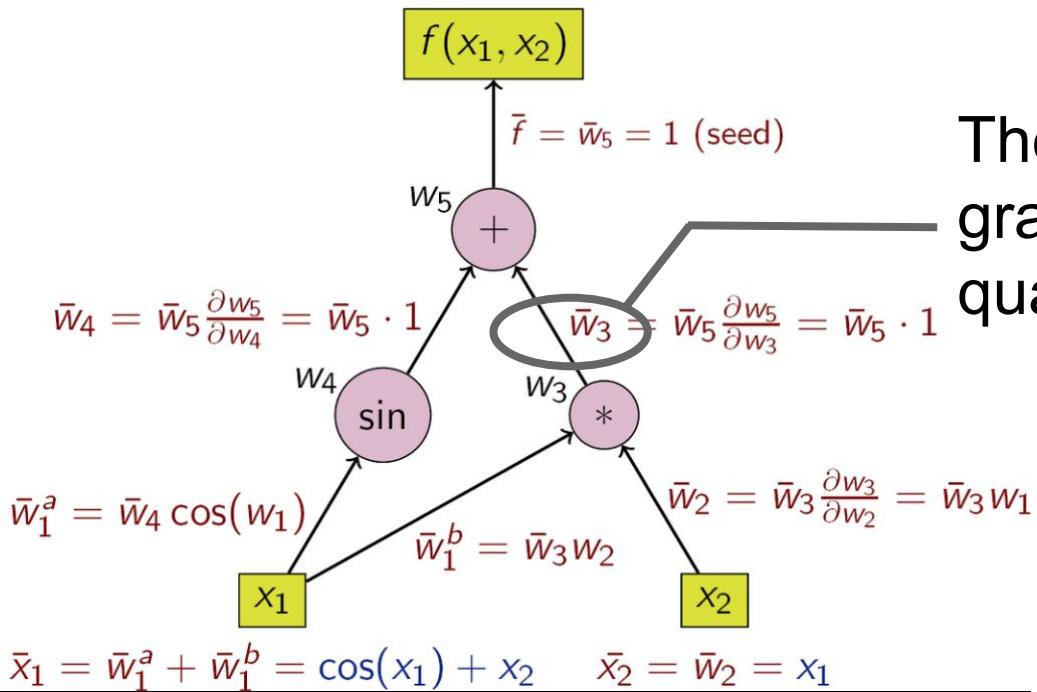
Quantized θ



Backpropagation

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_1} \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_2} \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial w_1} \right) \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \left(\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_3} \frac{\partial w_3}{\partial w_2} \right) \frac{\partial w_2}{\partial w_1} \right) \frac{\partial w_1}{\partial x} = \dots$$

Backward propagation
of derivative values



There will be no gradient flow if we quantize somewhere!

Differentiable Quantization

- Bengio '13: Estimating or Propagating Gradients Through Stochastic Neurons for Conditional Computation
 - REINFORCE algorithm
 - Decompose binary stochastic neuron into stochastic and differentiable part
 - Injection of additive/multiplicative noise
 - Straight-through estimator

Quantization also at Train time

- Neural Network can adapt to the constraints imposed by quantization
- Exploits “Straight-through estimator” (Hinton, Coursera lecture, 2012)

$$\textcolor{blue}{x} \approx \hat{x}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \approx \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{x}}$$

- Example

Forward: $q \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ $\textcolor{blue}{q} \approx \mathbf{E}[q] = p$

Backward: $\frac{\partial c}{\partial p} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial q}.$

Bit Neural Network

- Matthieu Courbariaux et al. BinaryConnect: Training Deep Neural Networks with binary weights during propagations. <http://arxiv.org/abs/1511.00363>
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- Rastegari et al. XNOR-Net: ImageNet Classification Using Binary Convolutional Neural Networks <http://arxiv.org/pdf/1603.05279v1.pdf>
- Zhou et al. DoReFa-Net: Training Low Bitwidth Convolutional Neural Networks with Low Bitwidth Gradients <https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.06160>
- Hubara et al. Quantized Neural Networks: Training Neural Networks with Low Precision Weights and Activations <https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.07061>

Binarizing AlexNet

Theoretical

	Network Variations	Operations used in Convolution	Memory Saving (Inference)	Time Saving on CPU (Inference)	Accuracy on ImageNet (AlexNet)
Standard Convolution	<p>Real-Value Inputs</p> <p>Real-Value Weights</p>	+ , - , ×	1x	1x	%56.7
Binary Weight	<p>Real-Value Inputs</p> <p>Binary Weights</p>	+ , -	~32x	~2x	%53.8
BinaryWeight Binary Input (XNOR-Net)	<p>Binary Inputs</p> <p>Binary Weights</p>	XNOR , bitcount	~32x	~58x	%44.2

Scaled binarization

$$\min_{\Lambda \in \text{diagonal}, B \in \{1, -1\}^{m \times n}} \|\Lambda B - W\|_F^2$$

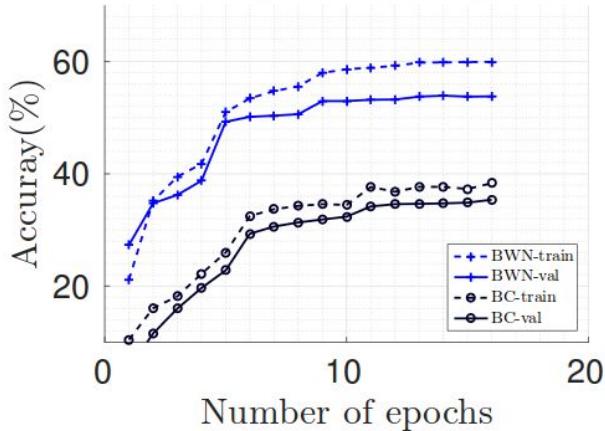
- Sol:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Lambda B - W\|_F^2 &= \|(\Lambda B) \circ B - W \circ B\|_F^2 \\ &= \|\Lambda(B \circ B) - W \circ B\|_F^2 \\ &= \|\Lambda \mathbf{1} - W \circ B\|_F^2\end{aligned}$$

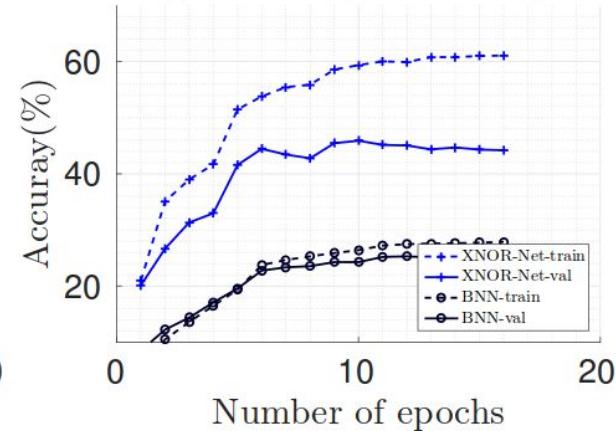
= Varaince of rows of $W \circ B$

XNOR-Net

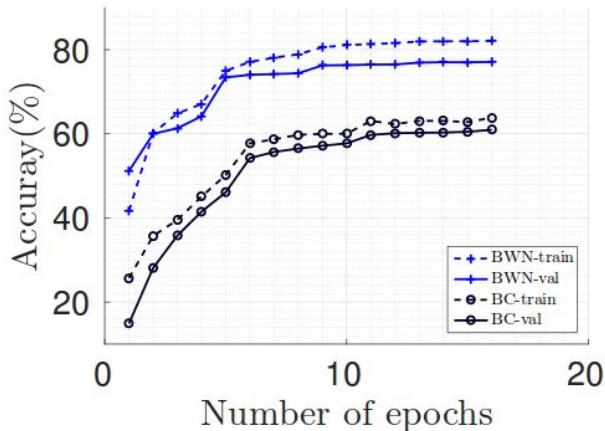
Top-1, Binary-Weight



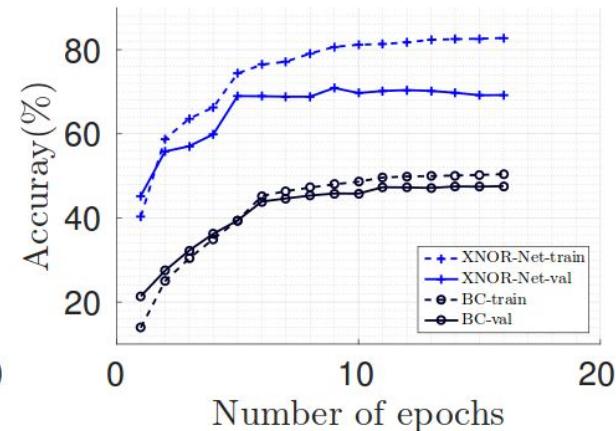
Top-1, Binary-Weight-Input



Top-5, Binary-Weight



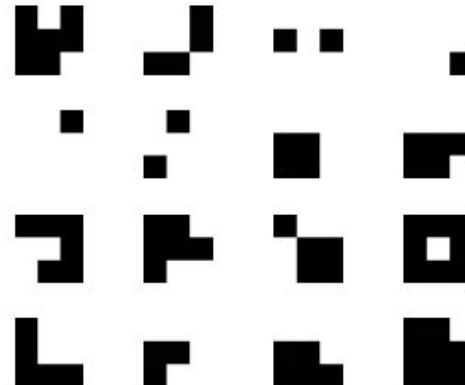
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Binary weights network

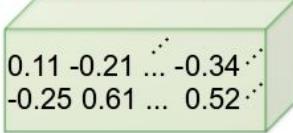
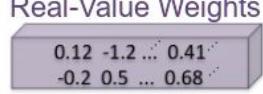
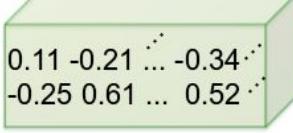
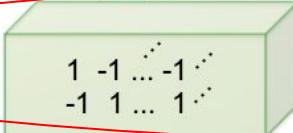
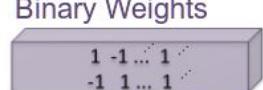
- Filter repetition
 - 3x3 binary kernel has only 256 patterns modulo sign.
 - 3x1 binary kernel only has only 4 patterns modulo sign.
 - Not easily exploitable as we are applying CHW as filter

Figure 2: Binary weight filters, sampled from of the first convolution layer. Since we have only 2^{k^2} unique 2D filters (where k is the filter size), filter replication is very common. For instance, on our CIFAR-10 ConvNet, only 42% of the filters are unique.



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Scaled binarization is no longer exact

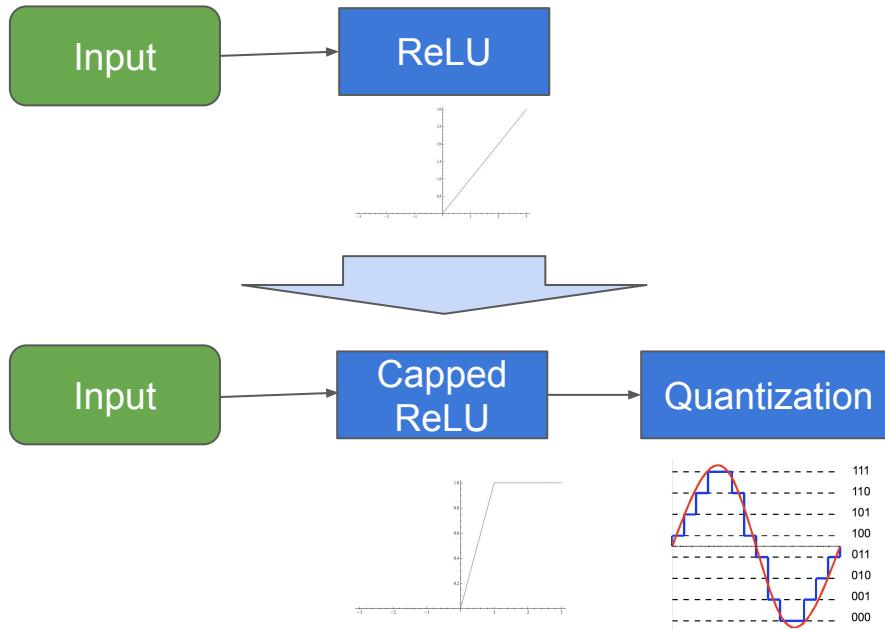
$$\alpha^*, \mathbf{B}^*, \beta^*, \mathbf{H}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\alpha, \mathbf{B}, \beta, \mathbf{H}} \|\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{W} - \beta \alpha \mathbf{H}^\top \mathbf{B}\|$$

The solution below is quite bad, like when $\mathbf{Y} = [-4, 1]$

$$\mathbf{C}^* = \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{Y}) = \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{X}^\top) \operatorname{sign}(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{H}^{*\top} \mathbf{B}^*$$

Quantization of Activations

- XNOR-net adopted STE method in their open-source our code



DoReFa-Net: Training Low Bitwidth Convolutional Neural Networks with Low Bitwidth Gradients

- Uniform quantization of gradients
 - 6 bit for ImageNet, 4 bit for SVHN
- Simplified scaled binarization: only scalar
 - Forward and backward multiplies the bit matrices from different sides.
 - Using scalar binarization allows using bit operations
- Floating-point-free inference even when with BN
- Future work
 - BN requires FP computation during training
 - Require FP weights for accumulating gradients

Table 1: Comparison of prediction accuracy for SVHN with different choices of Bit-width in a DoReFa-Net. W , A , G are bitwidths of weights, activations and gradients respectively. When bitwidth is 32, we simply remove the quantization functions.

W	A	G	Training Complexity	Inference Complexity	Storage Relative Size	Model A Accuracy	Model B Accuracy	Model C Accuracy	Model D Accuracy
1	1	2	3	1	1	0.934	0.924	0.910	0.803
1	1	4	5	1	1	0.968	0.961	0.916	0.846
1	1	8	9	1	1	0.970	0.962	0.902	0.828
1	1	32	-	-	1	0.971	0.963	0.921	0.841
1	2	2	4	2	1	0.909	0.930	0.900	0.808
1	2	3	5	2	1	0.968	0.964	0.934	0.878
1	2	4	6	2	1	0.975	0.969	0.939	0.878
2	1	2	6	2	2	0.927	0.928	0.909	0.846
2	1	4	10	2	2	0.969	0.957	0.904	0.827
1	2	8	10	2	1	0.975	0.971	0.946	0.866
1	2	32	-	-	1	0.976	0.970	0.950	0.865
1	3	3	6	3	1	0.968	0.964	0.946	0.887
1	3	4	7	3	1	0.974	0.974	0.959	0.897
1	3	6	9	3	1	0.977	0.974	0.949	0.916
1	4	2	6	4	1	0.815	0.898	0.911	0.868
1	4	4	8	4	1	0.975	0.974	0.962	0.915
1	4	8	12	4	1	0.977	0.975	0.955	0.895
2	2	2	8	4	1	0.900	0.919	0.856	0.842
8	8	8	-	-	8			0.970	0.955
32	32	32	-	-	32	0.975	0.975	0.972	0.950



A	B	C	D
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Quantization Methods

- Deterministic Quantization

$$Q_k^{det}(\mathbf{X}) = \alpha Q_k(\tilde{\mathbf{X}}) + \beta \approx \mathbf{X}$$

- Stochastic Quantizaiton

$$Q_k^{stoc}(\mathbf{X}) = \alpha Q_k(\tilde{\mathbf{X}} + \frac{\xi}{2^k - 1}) + \beta \approx \mathbf{X}$$

$$\xi \sim U(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \frac{\mathbf{X} - \beta}{\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = \max(\mathbf{X}) - \min(\mathbf{X})$$

$$\beta = \min(\mathbf{X})$$

Quantization of Weights, Activations and Gradients

- A half #channel 2-bit AlexNet (same bit complexity as XNOR-net)

Quantization Method	Balanced Deterministic	Unbalanced Deterministic	Stochastic
Weights	0.469	0.346	0.120
Activations	0.315	0.469	diverge
Gradients	diverge	diverge	0.469
XNOR-net		0.442*	
BNN		0.279*	

Quantization Error measured by Cosine Similarity

- W_{b_sn} is n-bit quantizaiton of real W
- x is Gaussian R. V. clipped by \tanh

W_{b_s1}	W_{b_s2}	W_{b_s3}	W_{b_s4}	W_{b_s6}	W_{b_s8}	W	
0.684	0.684	0.699	0.795	0.882	0.888	0.888	x_b
0.742	0.742	0.758	0.862	0.957	0.964	0.964	x_2
0.763	0.763	0.780	0.887	0.985	0.991	0.992	x_3
0.768	0.768	0.785	0.893	0.991	0.998	0.998	x_4
0.769	0.770	0.786	0.894	0.993	0.999	1.000	x_6
0.769	0.770	0.786	0.895	0.993	1.000	1.000	x_8
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Saturates

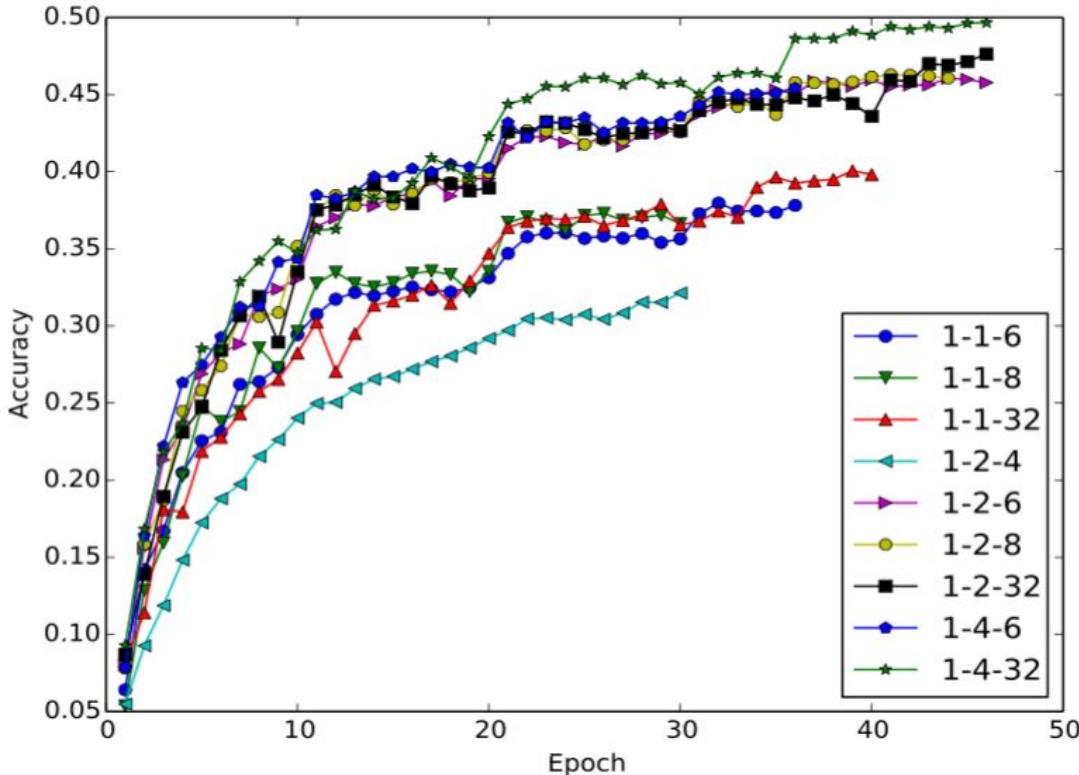
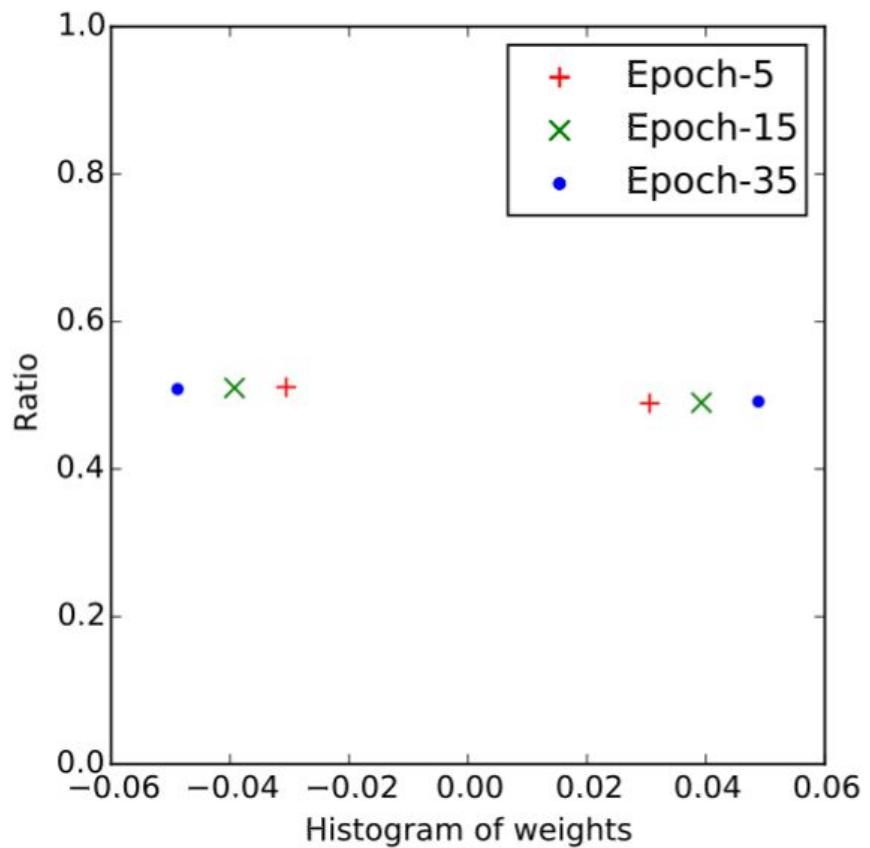
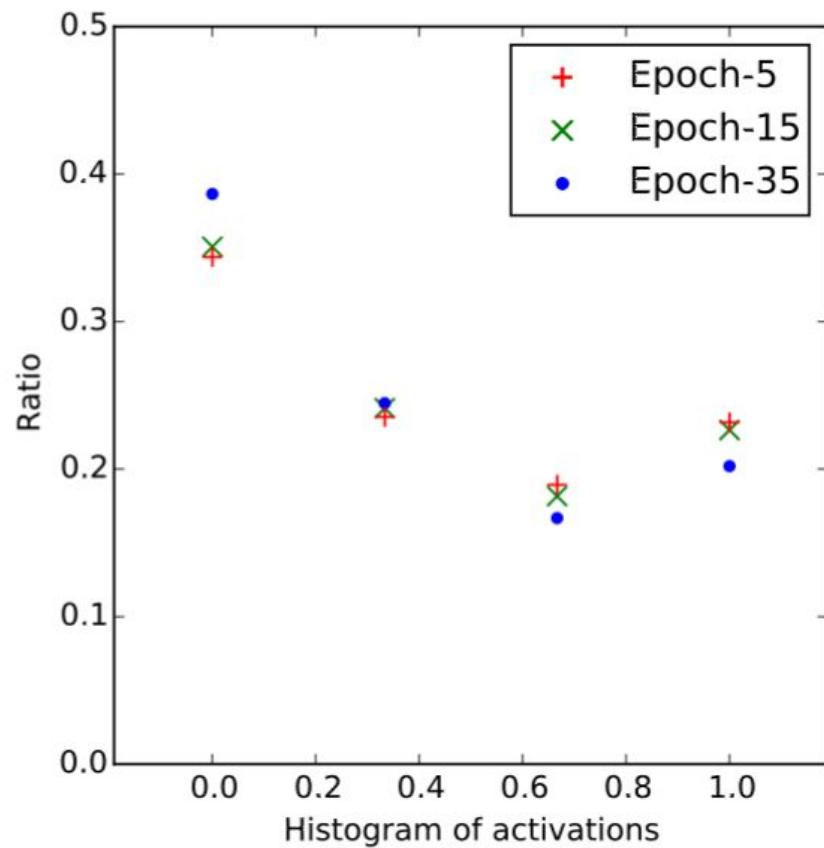


Figure 1: Prediction accuracy of AlexNet variants on Validation Set of ImageNet indexed by epoch number. “W-A-G” gives the specification of bitwidths of weights, activations and gradients. E.g., “1-2-4” stands for the case when weights are 1-bit, activations are 2-bit and gradients are 4-bit. The figure is best viewed in color.



(a)

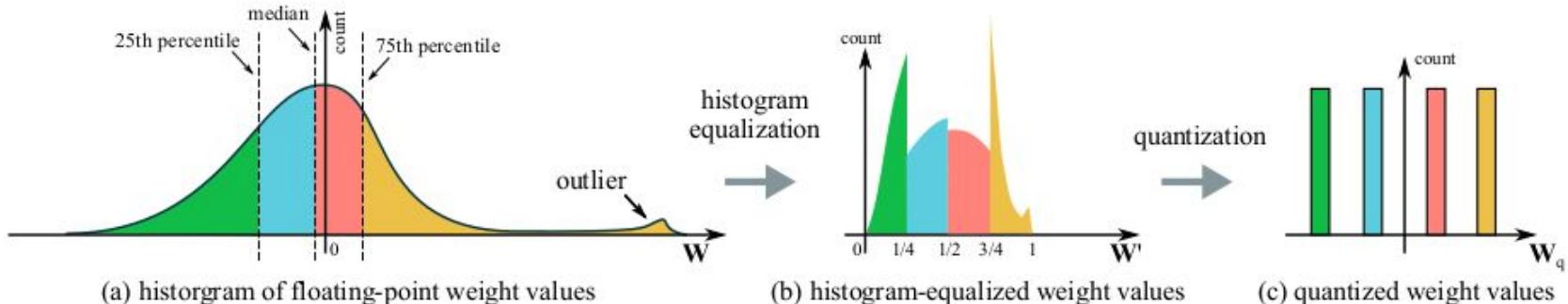
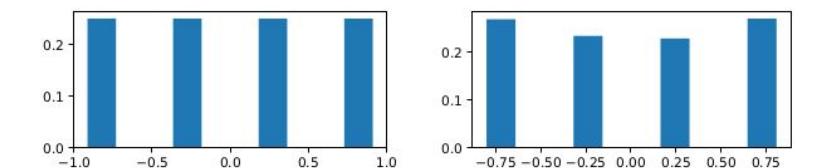
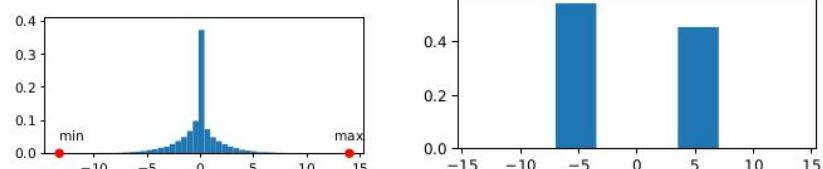


(b)

Figure 3: (a) is histogram of weights of layer “conv3” of “1-2-6” AlexNet model at epoch 5, 15

Effective Quantization Methods for Recurrent Neural Networks 2016

Model	weight-bits	activation-bits	PPW	
			balanced	unbalanced
LSTM	2	2	152	164
LSTM	2	3	142	155
LSTM <i>(Hubara et al., 2016a)</i>	2	3	220	
LSTM <i>(Hubara et al., 2016a)</i>	4	4	100	



Training Bit Fully Convolutional Network for Fast Semantic Segmentation 2016

bit-width (W / A)	mean IoU	Complexity
32 / 32	69.8%	-
8 / 8	69.8%	64
4 / 4	68.6%	16
3 / 3	67.4%	9
2 / 2	65.7%	4
1 / 4	64.4%	4
4 / 1	diverge	4
1 / 2	62.8%	2

Table 5: Results of different bit-width allocated to weight and activation on PASCAL VOC 2012 val set.

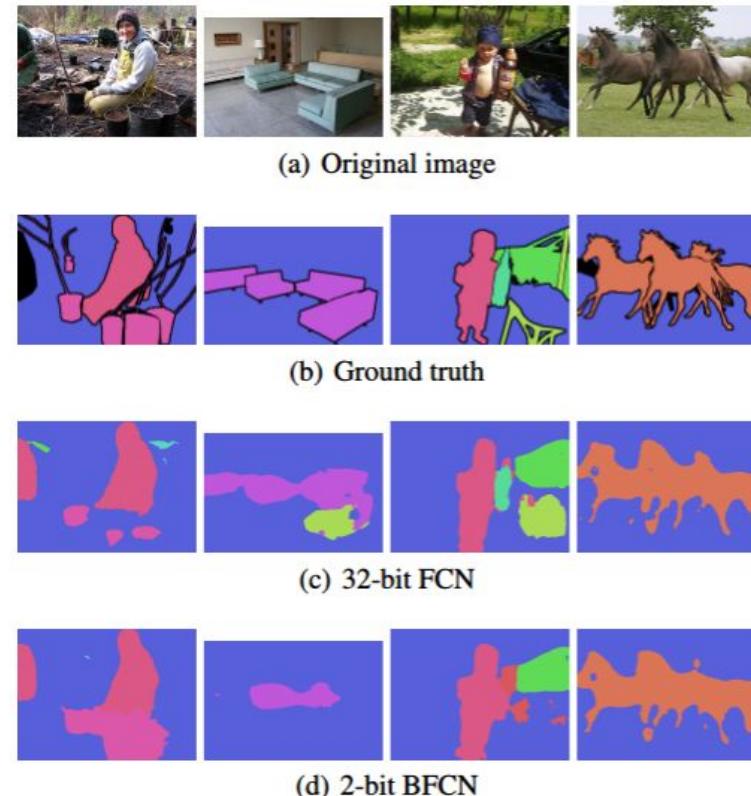
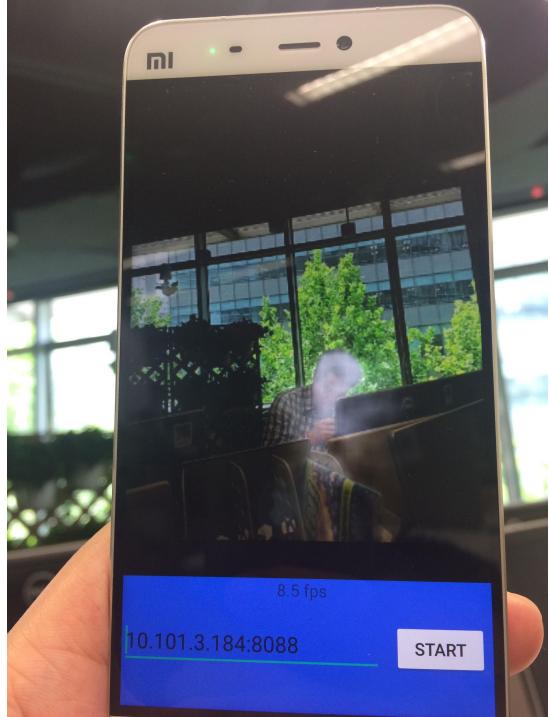
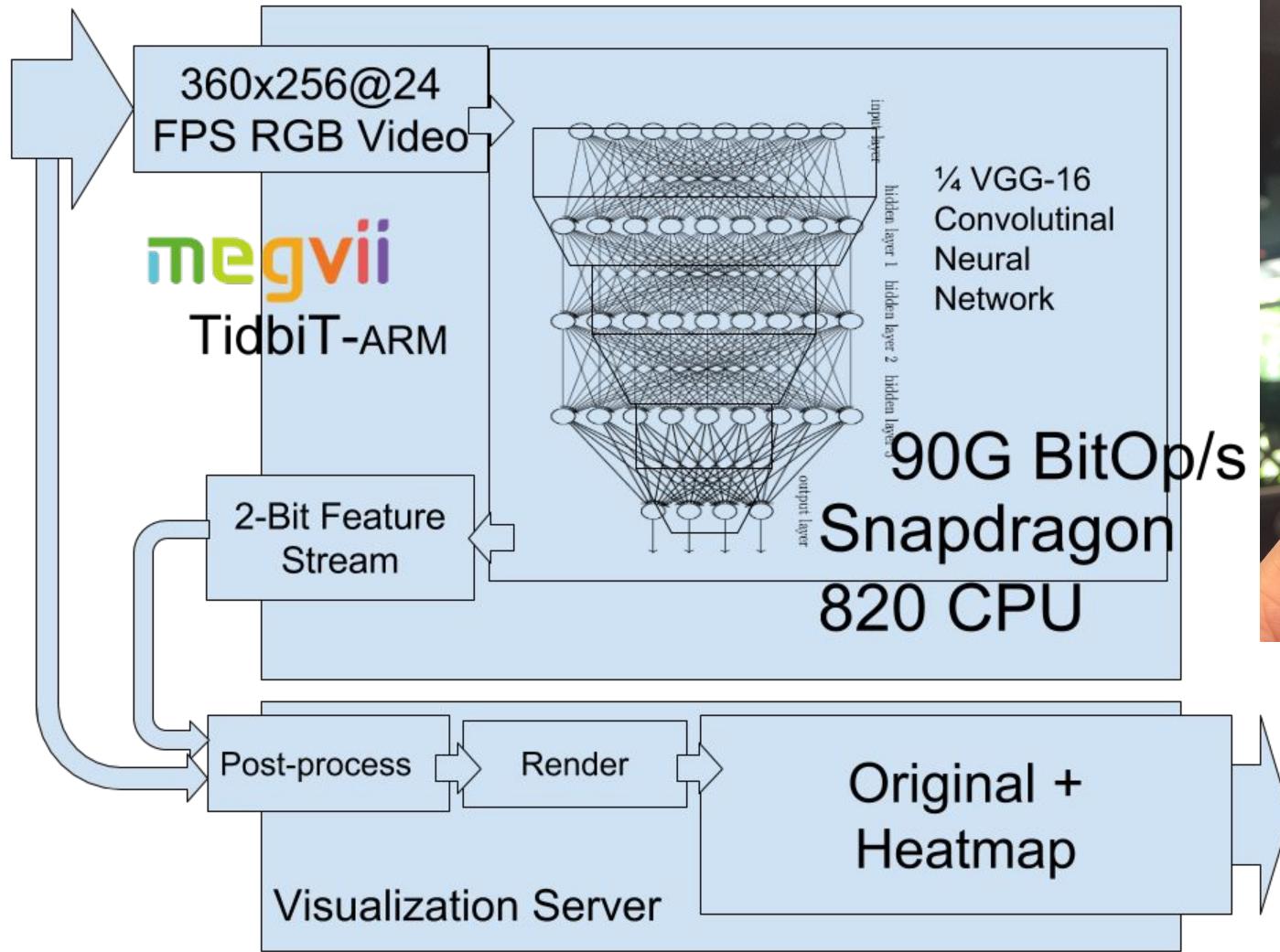
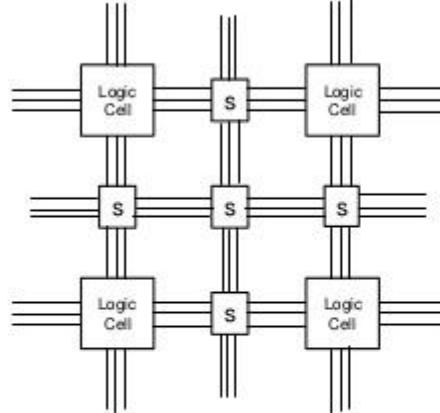


Figure 4: Examples on PASCAL VOC 2012.

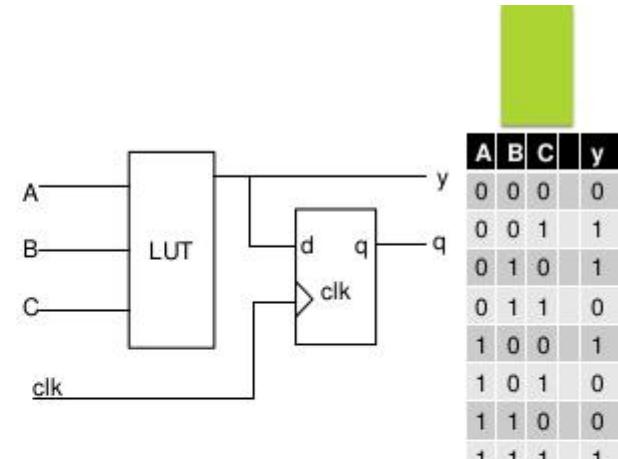


FPGA is made up of many LUT's

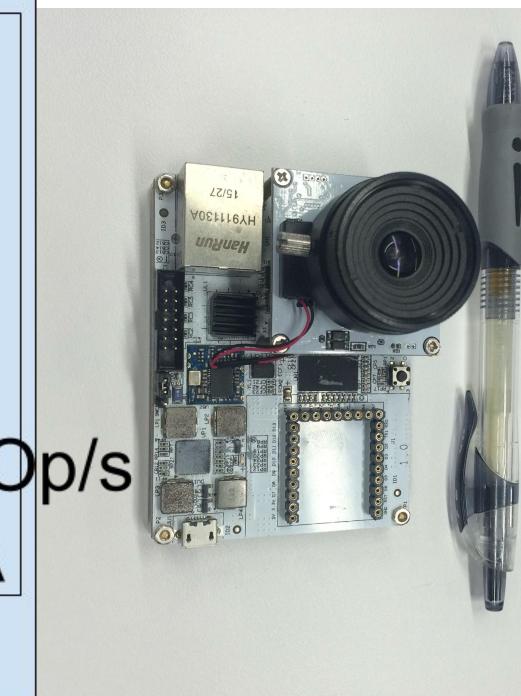
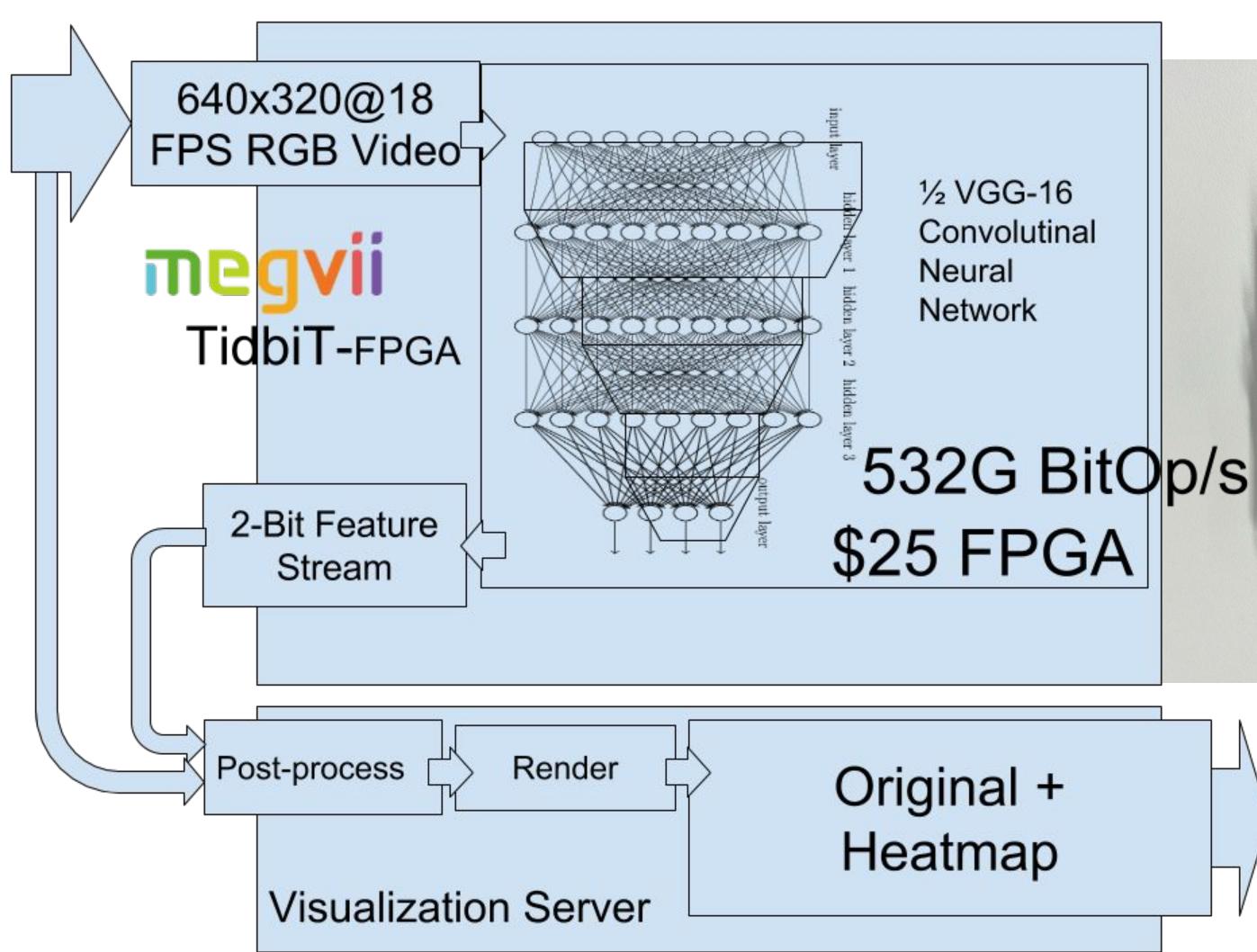
FPGA



a) Conceptual structure of an FPGA device.



b) Three-input LUT-based logic cell



Backup after this slide

Low-rankness of Activations

- Accelerating Very Deep Convolutional Networks for Classification and Detection