# CENG501 – Deep Learning Week 4

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# Per-parameter Methods: Adaptive Moments (Adam)

A variation of RMSprop + momentum

- Incorporates first & second order moments
- Bias correction needed to get rid of bias towards zero at initialization

Algorithm taken from: Goodfellow et al., Deep Learning, 2016. Algorithm 8.7 The Adam algorithm

**Require:** Step size  $\epsilon$  (Suggested default: 0.001)

**Require:** Exponential decay rates for moment estimates,  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$  in [0, 1). (Suggested defaults: 0.9 and 0.999 respectively)

**Require:** Small constant  $\delta$  used for numerical stabilization (Suggested default:  $10^{-8}$ )

**Require:** Initial parameters  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ 

Initialize 1st and 2nd moment variables s = 0, r = 0

Initialize time step t = 0

while stopping criterion not met do Sample a minibatch of m examples from the training set  $\{\boldsymbol{x}^{(1)}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}^{(m)}\}$  with corresponding targets  $\boldsymbol{y}^{(i)}$ . Compute gradient:  $\boldsymbol{g} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sum_{i} L(f(\boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}), \boldsymbol{y}^{(i)})$  $t \leftarrow t+1$ Update biased first moment estimate:  $\boldsymbol{s} \leftarrow \rho_1 \boldsymbol{s} + (1-\rho_1)\boldsymbol{g}$ 

Update biased second moment estimate:  $\mathbf{r} \leftarrow \rho_2 \mathbf{r} + (1 - \rho_2) \mathbf{g} \odot \mathbf{g}$ Correct bias in first moment:  $\hat{\mathbf{s}} \leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{s}}{1 - o_1^t}$ 

Correct bias in second moment:  $\hat{r} \leftarrow \frac{r}{1-\rho_1}$ 

Compute update:  $\Delta \theta = -\epsilon \frac{\hat{s}}{\sqrt{\hat{r}} + \delta}$  (operations applied element-wise) Apply update:  $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \Delta \theta$ end while G501

## Model Complexity

#### • Models range in their flexibility to fit arbitrary data



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20 hidden neurons



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large capacity may allow it to memorize data and fail to capture regularities

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Averiding Overfitting

- Make sure effective size is growing; redundancy doesn't help
- Incorporate domain-appropriate bias into model
  - Customize model to your problem
- Tune hyperparameters of model
  - number of layers, number of hidden units per layer, connectivity, etc.
- Regularization techniques

# Regularization: Dropout

Feed-forward only on active units

- Can be trained using SGD with mini-batch
  - Back propagate only "active" units.
- One issue:
  - Expected output *x* with dropout:







(b) After applying dropout.

- $E[x'] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} (px_i + (1-p)0) = p \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} x_i = pE[x]$
- To have the same scale at testing time (no dropout), multiply testtime activations with p.



Fig: Srivastava et al., 2014



Figure 1: The  $\ell_2$ -regularized cross-entropy train loss surface of a ResNet-164 on CIFAR-100, as a function of network weights in a two-dimensional subspace. In each panel, the horizontal axis is fixed and is attached to the optima of two independently trained networks. The vertical axis changes between panels as we change planes (defined in the main text). Left: Three optima for independently trained networks. Middle and Right: A quadratic Bezier curve, and a polygonal chain with one bend, connecting the lower two optima on the left panel along a path of near-constant loss. Notice that in each panel a direct linear path between each mode would incur high loss.

Garipov et al., "Loss Surfaces, Mode Connectivity, and Fast Ensembling of DNNs", 2018.

See also: Kuditipudi et al., "Explaining Landscape Connectivity of Low-cost Solutions for Multilayer Nets", 2020. - Explains this with noise stability, dropout stability.

# Dropout as Ensemble Training Method Fig: Srivastava et al., 2014

"Dropout performs gradient descent on-line with respect to both the training examples and the ensemble of all possible subnetworks."



Pierre Baldi and Peter J Sadowski. Understanding dropout. In Advances in neural information processing systems, pp. 2814–2822, 2013.

# Data Augmentation

Original photo Red color casting Blue color casting Green color casting RGB all changed Vignette More vignette Blue casting + vignette Left rotation, crop Right rotation, crop Pincushion distortion Barrel distortion Horizontal stretch More horizontal stretch Vertical stretch More vertical stretch

http://blcv.pl/static//2018/02/27/demystifying-face-recognition-v-data-augmentation/



# Date Preprocessing: Normalization (or conditioning) • Necessary if you believe that your dimen-

- Necessary if you believe that your dimensions have different scales
  - Might need to reduce this to give equal importance to each dimension
- Normalize each dimension by its std. dev. after mean subtraction:

 $\begin{aligned} x'_{ji} &= x_{ji} - \mu_i \\ x''_{ji} &= x'_{ji} / \sigma_i \end{aligned}$ 

Effect: Make the dimensions have the same scale ٠





- How?
  - Scale the initial weights by  $\sqrt{n}$
  - Why? Because:  $Var(aX) = a^2 Var(X)$





Figure 6: Activation values normalized histograms with hyperbolic tangent activation, with standard (top) vs normalized initialization (bottom). Top: 0-peak increases for higher layers.

Figure 7: Back-propagated gradients normalized histograms with hyperbolic tangent activation, with standard (top) vs normalized (bottom) initialization. Top: 0-peak decreases for higher layers.

Figures: Glorot & Bengio, "Understanding the difficulty of training deep feedforward neural networks", 2010.

Standard Initialization (top plots in Figure 6 & 7):

 $w_i \sim U\left[-\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right]$ which yields  $n Var(w) = \frac{1}{3}$ 

because variance of U[-r,r] is  $\frac{r^2}{3}$  [1].

Xavier initialization for symmetric activation functions (Glorot & Bengio):

$$w_i \sim N\left(0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{n_{in} + n_{out}}}\right)$$

With Uniform distribution:

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$$w_i \sim U\left[-\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{n_{in}+n_{out}}}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{n_{in}+n_{out}}}\right]$$

[1] https://proofwiki.org/wiki/Variance\_of\_Continuous\_Uniform\_Distribution

# Alternative: Batch Normalization

- wormalization is differentiable
  - So, make it part of the model (not only at the beginning)
  - I.e., perform normalization during every step of processing
- More robust to initialization
- Shown to also regularize the network in some cases (dropping the need for dropout)
- Issue: How to normalize at test time?
  - Store means and variances during training, or
  - 2. Calculate mean & variance over your test data
  - PyTorch: use model.eval() in test time.

**Input:** Values of x over a mini-batch:  $\mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\}$ ; Parameters to be learned:  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ **Output:**  $\{y_i = BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}$  $\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i$ // mini-batch mean  $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2$ // mini-batch variance  $\widehat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}}$ // normalize  $y_i \leftarrow \gamma \widehat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \mathrm{BN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)$ // scale and shift

**Algorithm 1:** Batch Normalizing Transform, applied to activation *x* over a mini-batch.

Ioffe & Szegedy, "Batch Normalization: Accelerating Deep Network Training by Reducing Internal Covariate Shift", 2015.



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https://medium.com/syncedreview/facebook\_ai-proposes-group-normalization-alternative-tobatch-normalization-fb0699bffae7

8 batch size (images per worker) 2



Understanding the Disharmony between Dropout and Batch Normalization by Variance Shift

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2018

Since we get a clear knowledge about the disharmony between Dropout and BN, we can easily develop several approaches to combine them together, to see whether an extra improvement could be obtained. In this section, we introduce two possible solutions in modifying Dropout. One is to avoid the scaling on feature-map before every BN layer, by only applying Dropout after the last BN block. Another is to slightly modify the formula of Dropout and make it less sensitive to variance, which can alleviate the shift problem and stabilize the numerical behaviors.

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### Today

- CNNs
  - Drawbacks of MLPs
  - Benefits of convolution
  - Operations in CNNs

#### Administrative Notes

- Quiz #2
  - Upload the PDF on ODTUclass.
- Paper Selection
  - Feedback provided
  - Deadline: This Sunday

# Convolutional Neural networks: MOTIVATION

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### Disadvantages of MLPs: Dimensionality

- The number of parameters in an MLP is high for practical problems
  - e.g., for grayscale images with 1000x1000 resolution, a fully-connected layer with 1000 neurons requires 10<sup>9</sup> parameters.
- The number of parameters in an MLP increases quadratically with an increase in input dimensionality
- For example, for a fully-connected layer with  $n_{in}$  input neurons and  $n_{out}$  output neurons:
  - Number of parameters:  $n_{in} \times n_{out}$
  - Assuming proportional decrease in layer size, e.g.  $n_{out} = n_{in}/10$ , gives:  $n_{in} \times n_{out} = n_{in}^2/10$
  - Increasing  $n_{in}$  by d yields a change of  $\mathcal{O}(d^2)$ .
- This is a problem because:
  - More parameters => larger model size & more computational complexity.
- Teaser for CNNs:
  - Input size does not affect model size (in general)

## Disadvantages of MLPs: Curse of Dimensionality

- For conventional ML methods:
  - The number of required samples for obtaining small error increases exponentially with input dimensions



Illustration of the curse of dimensionality: in order to approximate a Lipschitz-continuous function composed of Gaussian kernels placed in the quadrants of a d-dimensional unit hypercube (blue) with error  $\varepsilon$ , one requires  $\mathcal{O}(1/\varepsilon^d)$  samples (red points).

Figure: https://towardsdatascience.com/geometricfoundations-of-deep-learning-94cdd45b451d

- For deep networks:
  - This does not seem to be an issue for deep networks (see e.g. Poggio & Liao, 2018).

Poggio, T., & Liao, Q. (2018). Theory I: Deep networks and the curse of dimensionality. Bulletin of the Polish Academy of Sciences: Technical Sciences, (6).

#### Disadvantages of MLPs: Equivariance

- Vectorizing an image breaks patterns in consecutive pixels.
  - Shifting one pixel means a whole new vector
  - Makes learning more difficult
  - Requires more data to generalize



#### Equivariance vs. Invariance

- Equivariant problem: image segmentation.
  - f(g(x)) = g(f(x))
- Invariant problem: object recognition.
  - f(g(x)) = f(x)
- Pooling provides invariance, convolution provides equivariance.



https://www.mathworks.com/discovery/image-segmentation.html



#### Solution (inspiration):

• Hubel & Wiesel: Brain neurons are not fully connected. They have local receptive fields



Model of Striate Module in Cats

Hubel & WieseEN95801

http://fourier.eng.hmc.edu/e180/lectures/retina/node1.html

#### Solution (inspiration):

 Hubel & Wiesel: Brain neurons are not fully connected. They have local receptive fields

Figure: N. Krueger, P. Janssen, S. Kalkan, M. Lappe, A. Leonardis, J. Piater, A. J. Rodriguez-Sanchez, L. Wiskott, "Deep Hierarchies in the Primate Visual Cortex: What Can We Learn For Computer Vision?", IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (PAMI), 2013.



Solution: Neocognitron (Fukushima, 1979):

A neural network model unaffected by shift in position, applied to Japanese handwritten character recognition.

- S (simple) cells: local feature extraction.
- C (complex) cells: provide tolerance to deformation, e.g. shift.
- Self-organized learning method.



Figure: Fukushima (2019), Recent advances in the deep CNN neocognitron.

Solution:

Neocognitron's self-organized learning method (Fukushima, 2019):

"For training intermediate layers of the neocognitron, the learning rule called AiS (Add-if-Silent) is used. Under the AiS rule, a new cell is generated and added to the network if all postsynaptic cells are silent in spite of non-silent presynaptic cells. The generated cell learns the activity of the presynaptic cells in one-shot. Once a cell is generated, its input connections do not change any more. Thus the training process is very simple and does not require time-consuming repetitive calculation."

#### Solution: Convolutional Neural Networks (Lecun, 1998)

- Gradient descent
- Weights shared
- Document recognition



#### CNNs: Underlying Principle





## CNNs vs. MLPs: Curse of Dimensionality

- A fully-connected network has too many parameters
  - On CIFAR-10:
    - Images have size 32x32x3 → one neuron in hidden layer has 3072 weights!
  - With images of size 1024x1024x3 → one neuron in hidden layer has 3,145,728 weights!
  - This explodes quickly if you increase the number of neurons & layers.
- Alternative: enforce local connectivity!





Figure: Goodfellow et al., "Deep Learning", MIT Press, 2016.

#### CNNs vs. MLPs: Curse of Dimensionality



When things go deep, an output may depend on all or most of the input:



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#### How Many Samples are Needed to Learn a Convolutional Neural Network?

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#### Abstract

A widespread folklore for explaining the success of convolutional neural network (CNN) is that CNN is a more compact representation than the fully connected neural network (FNN) and thus requires fewer samples for learning. We initiate the study of rigorously characterizing the sample complexity of learning convolutional neural networks. We show that for learning an *m*-dimensional convolutional filter with linear activation acting on a *d*-dimensional input, the sample complexity of achieving population prediction error of  $\epsilon$  is  $\tilde{O}(m/\epsilon^2)^1$ , whereas its FNN counterpart needs at least  $\Omega(d/\epsilon^2)$  samples. Since  $m \ll d$ , this result demonstrates the advantage of using CNN. We further consider the sample complexity of learning a one-hiddenlayer CNN with linear activation where both the *m*-dimensional convolutional filter and the *r*-dimensional output weights are unknown. For this model, we show the sample complexity is  $\tilde{O}((m+r)/\epsilon^2)$  when the ratio between the stride size and the filter size is a constant. For both models, we also present lower bounds showing our sample complexities are tight up to logarithmic factors. Our main tools for deriving these results are localized empirical process and a new lemma characterizing the convolutional structure. We believe these tools may inspire further developments in understanding CNN.

21 May 2018 [stat.ML] v:1805.07883v1

## CNNs vs. MLPs: Curse of Dimensionality

- Parameter sharing
  - In regular ANN, each weight is independent
- In CNN, a layer might re-apply the same convolution and therefore, share the parameters of a convolution
  - Reduces storage and learning time



- For a neuron in the next layer:
  - With ANN: 320x280x320x280 multiplications
  - With CNN: 320x280x3x3 multiplications

#### CNNs vs. MLPs: Equivariance

- Equivariant to translation
  - The output will be the same, just translated, since the weights are shared.



Figure: https://towardsdatascience.com/translational-invariance-vs-translational-equivariance-f9fbc8fca63a

• Not equivariant to scale or rotation.

A crash course on Convolution

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#### Formulating Signals in Terms of Impulse Signal



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#### Formulating Signals in Terms of Impulse Signal

 $x[n] = \dots + x[-2]\delta[n+2] + x[-1]\delta[n+1] + x[0]\delta[n] + x[1]\delta[n-1] + \dots$ 



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### Unit Sample Response

• Now suppose the system is LTI, and define the *unit sample response* h[n]:

 $\delta[n] \longrightarrow h[n]$   $\Downarrow$ From Time-Invariance:

$$\delta[n-k] \longrightarrow h[n-k]$$

From Linearity:  

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[k] \,\delta[n-k] \longrightarrow y[n] = \sum_{\substack{k=-\infty \\ convolution \ sum}}^{+\infty} x[k] \,h[n-k] = x[n] * h[n]$$

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### Conclusion

The output of *any* DT LTI System is a convolution of the input signal with the unit-sample response, *i.e.* 

Any DT LTI 
$$\iff y[n] = x[n] * h[n]$$
$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[k] h[n-k]$$

As a result, any DT LTI Systems are *completely characterized* by its unit sample response

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### Power of convolution

- Describe a "system" (or operation) with a very simple function (impulse response).
- Determine the output by convolving the input with the impulse response

### Convolution

• Definition of continuous-time convolution

$$x(t) * h(t) = \int x(\tau)h(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$h(\tau) \xrightarrow{Flip} h(-\tau) \xrightarrow{Slide} h(t-\tau) \xrightarrow{Multiply} x(\tau)h(t-\tau) \xrightarrow{Integrate} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$$

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### Convolution

• Definition of discrete-time convolution

$$x[n] * h[n] = \sum x[k]h[n-k]$$

Choose the value of *n* and consider it fixed

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} x[k]h[n-k]$$

View as functions of k with n fixed



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### Discrete-time 2D Convolution

• For images, we need two-dimensional convolution:

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[m,n]K[i-m,j-n]$$

- These multi-dimensional arrays are called tensors
- We have commutative property:

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[i-m, j-n]K[m,n]$$

• Instead of subtraction, we can also write (easy to drive by a change of variables). This is called cross-correlation:

$$s[i,j] = (I * K)[i,j] = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I[i+m,j+n]K[m,n]$$

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# Example multi-dimensional convolution (kernel: finite impulse response)

Kernel d cawxh eqy $\tilde{z}$ k2 Output aw + bxcw + dxbw + cx+ gy + hz+ fy + gz+ ey + fzew + fx +fw + gx +gw + hx+ ky + lziy + jzjy + kz

Input



12.0	12.0	17.0
10.0	17.0	19.0
9.0	6.0	14.0

https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\_arithmetic

Figure: Goodfellow et al., "Deep Learning", MIT Press, 2016.

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## What can filters do? Rectangular filter



g[m,n]



f[m,n]

h[m,n]

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## What can filters do? Rectangular filter



g[m,n]



f[m,n]

h[m,n]

## What can filters do? Rectangular filter



g[m,n]



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### What can filters do? Sharpening filter



## What can filters do? Sharpening filter





before

after

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Slide: A. Torralba

### What can filters do? Gaussian filter

$$G(x,y;\sigma) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$





Slide: A. Torralba

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### Global to Local Analysis







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# What can filters do? [-1 1]



g[m,n]

[-1, 1]

h[m,n]



f[m,n]

# What can filters do? $[-1 \ 1]^{\mathsf{T}}$



g[m,n]

[-1, 1]<sup>⊤</sup>

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h[m,n]



f[m,n]

# Overview of CNN

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# **CNN** layers

- Operations in a CNN:
  - Convolution (in parallel) to produce pre-synaptic activations
  - Detector: Non-linear function
  - Pooling: A summary of a neighborhood
- Pooling of a region in a feature/activation map:
  - Max

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- Average
- L2 norm
- Weighted average acc. to the distance to the center



### An example architecture



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### Regular ANN



CNN



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# OPERATIONS IN A CNN: Convolution

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# Convolution in CNN

- The weights correspond to the kernel
- The weights are shared in a channel (depth slice)
- We are effectively learning filters that respond to some part/entities/visualcues etc.



# Local connectivity in CNN = Receptive fields

- Each neuron is connected to only a local neighborhood, i.e., receptive field
- The size of the receptive field  $\rightarrow$  another hyper-parameter.

### Connectivity in CNN

- Local: The behavior of a neuron does not change other than being restricted to a subspace of the input.
- Each neuron is connected to slice of the previous layer
- A layer is actually a volume having a certain width x height and depth (or channel)
- A neuron is connected to a subspace of width x height but to all channels (depth)
- Example: CIFAR-10
  - Input: 32 x 32 x 3 (3 for RGB channels)
  - A neuron in the next layer with receptive field size 5x5 has input from a volume of 5x5x3.





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### Important parameters

- Depth (number of channels)
  - We will have more neurons getting input from the same receptive field
  - This is similar to the hidden neurons with connections to the same input
  - These neurons learn to become selective to the presence of different signals in the same receptive field
- Stride
  - The amount of space between neighboring receptive fields
  - If it is small, RFs overlap more
  - It it is big, RFs overlap less
- How to handle the boundaries?
  - i. Option 1: Don't process the boundaries. Only process pixels on which convolution window can be placed fully.
  - ii. Option 2: Zero-pad the input so that convolution can be performed at the boundary pixels.



# Padding illustration

- Only convolution layers are shown.
- Top: no padding → layers shrink in size.
- Bottom: zero padding →
   layers keep their size fixed.





Figure 9.11: The effect of zero padding on network size: Consider a convolutional network with a kernel of width six at every layer. In this example, do not use any pooling, so only the convolution operation itself shrinks the network size. *Top*) In this convolutional network, we do not use any implicit zero padding. This causes the representation to shrink by five pixels at each layer. Starting from an input of sixteen pixels, we are only able to have three convolutional layers, and the last layer does not ever move the kernel, so arguably only two of the layers are truly convolutional. The rate of shrinking can be mitigated by using smaller kernels, but smaller kernels are less expressive and some shrinking is inevitable in this kind of architecture. *Bottom*) By adding five implicit zeroes to each layer, we prevent the representation from shrinking with depth. This allows us to make an arbitrarily deep convolutional network. CENG501

### Size of the next layer

- Along a dimension:
  - *W*: Size of the input
  - *F*: Size of the receptive field
  - S: Stride
  - *P*: Amount of zero-padding
- Then: the number of neurons as the output of a convolution layer:

$$\frac{N-F+2P}{S}+1$$

• If this number is not an integer, your strides are incorrect and your neurons cannot tile nicely to cover the input volume



### Size of the next layer

- Arranging these hyperparameters can be problematic
- Example:
- If W=10, P=0, and F=3, then

$$\frac{W - F + 2P}{S} + 1 = \frac{10 - 3 + 0}{S} + 1 = \frac{7}{S} + 1$$

i.e., S cannot be an integer other than 1 or 7.

• Zero-padding is your friend here.

### Real example – AlexNet (Krizhevsky et al., 2012)

- Image size: 227×227×3
- W=227, F=11, S=4, P=0  $\rightarrow \frac{227-11}{S} + 1 = 55$

(55 => the width of the convolution layer)

• Convolution layer: 55×55×96 neurons

(96: the depth, the number of channels)

- Therefore, the first layer has 55×55×96 = 290,400 neurons
  - Each has 11×11×3 receptive field → 363 weights and 1 bias
  - Then, 290,400×364 = 105,705,600 parameters just for the first convolution layer (if there were no weight sharing)
  - With weight sharing: 96 x 364 = 34,944

### Real example – AlexNet (Krizhevsky et al., 2012)

- However, we can share the parameters
  - For each channel (slice of depth), have the same set of weights
  - If 96 channels, this means 96 different set of weights
  - Then, 96×364 = 34,944 parameters
  - 364 weights shared by 55×55 neurons in each channel



Example filters learned by Krizhevsky et al. Each of the 96 filters shown here is of size [11x11x3], and each one is shared by the 55\*55 neurons in one depth slice. Notice that the parameter sharing assumption is relatively reasonable: If detecting a horizontal edge is important at some location in the image, it should intuitively be useful at some other location as well due to the translationally-invariant structure of images. There is therefore no need to relearn to detect a horizontal edge at every one of CENG501 http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/

### More on connectivity

### **Small RF & Stacking**

- E.g., 3 CONV layers of 3x3 RFs
- Pros:
  - Same extent for these example figures
  - With non-linearity added on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> layers → More expressive! More representational capacity!
  - Less parameters:
    3 layers x [(3 x 3 x C) x C] = 27CxC

### • Cons?

#### So, we prefer a stack of small filter sizes against big ones

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#### Large RF & Single Layer

- 7x7 RFs of single CONV layer
- Pros?
- Cons:
  - One layer => Linear capacity
  - More parameters: (7x7xC)xC = 49CxC

### Implementation Details: NumPy example

- Suppose input is X of shape (11,11,4)
- Depth slice at depth d (i.e., channel d): X[:,:,d]
- Depth column at position (x,y): X[x,y,:]
- F: 5, P:0 (no padding), S=2
  - Output volume (V) width, height = (11-5+0)/2+1 = 4
- Example computation for some neurons in first channel:

V[0,0,0] = np.sum(X[:5,:5,:] \* W0) + b0
V[1,0,0] = np.sum(X[2:7,:5,:] \* W0) + b0
V[2,0,0] = np.sum(X[4:9,:5,:] \* W0) + b0
V[3,0,0] = np.sum(X[6:11,:5,:] \* W0) + b0

• Note that this is just along one dimension (x)

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Implementation Details: NumPy example

• A second activation map (channel):

V[0,0,1] = np.sum(X[:5,:5,:] \* W1) + b1 V[1,0,1] = np.sum(X[2:7,:5,:] \* W1) + b1 V[2,0,1] = np.sum(X[4:9,:5,:] \* W1) + b1 V[3,0,1] = np.sum(X[6:11,:5,:] \* W1) + b1 V[0,1,1] = np.sum(X[:5,2:7,:] \* W1) + b1 (example of going along y) V[2,3,1] = np.sum(X[4:9,6:11,:] \* W1) + b1 (or along both) Summary. To summarize, the Conv Layer:

- Accepts a volume of size  $W_1 imes H_1 imes D_1$
- Requires four hyperparameters:
  - $\circ$  Number of filters K,
  - $\circ$  their spatial extent F,
  - $\circ$  the stride S,
  - $\circ$  the amount of zero padding P.
- Produces a volume of size  $W_2 imes H_2 imes D_2$  where:
  - $\circ W_2 = (W_1 F + 2P)/S + 1$
  - $\circ \; H_2 = (H_1 F + 2P)/S + 1$  (i.e. width and height are computed equally by symmetry)  $\circ \; D_2 = K$
- With parameter sharing, it introduces  $F \cdot F \cdot D_1$  weights per filter, for a total of  $(F \cdot F \cdot D_1) \cdot K$  weights and K biases.
- In the output volume, the *d*-th depth slice (of size  $W_2 \times H_2$ ) is the result of performing a valid convolution of the *d*-th filter over the input volume with a stride of *S*, and then offset by *d*-th bias.

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Types of Convolution: Unshared convolution

- In some cases, sharing the weights does not make sense
  When?
- Different parts of the input might require different types of processing/features
- In such a case, we just have a network with local connectivity
- E.g., a face.
  - Features are not repeated across the space.

### Types of Convolution: Dilated (Atrous) Convolution

Purpose: Increase effective receptive field size without increasing parameters.



Figure 1: Systematic dilation supports exponential expansion of the receptive field without loss of resolution or coverage. (a)  $F_1$  is produced from  $F_0$  by a 1-dilated convolution; each element in  $F_1$  has a receptive field of  $3 \times 3$ . (b)  $F_2$  is produced from  $F_1$  by a 2-dilated convolution; each element in  $F_2$  has a receptive field of  $7 \times 7$ . (c)  $F_3$  is produced from  $F_2$  by a 4-dilated convolution; each element in  $F_3$  has a receptive field of  $15 \times 15$ . The number of parameters associated with each layer is identical. The receptive field grows exponentially while the number of parameters grows linearly.

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### MULTI-SCALE CONTEXT AGGREGATION BY DILATED CONVOLUTIONS

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https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\_arithmetic
#### Types of Convolution: Transposed Convolution

Purpose: Increasing layer width+height (upsampling).



Figure: https://d2l.ai/chapter\_computer-vision/transposed-conv.html

The size of the output:

- Regular convolution:  $O = \frac{W F + 2 \times P}{S} + 1$
- Transpose convolution:  $W = (O 1) \times S + F 2 \times P$

#### Types of Convolution: Upsampling with Padding or Dilation



https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\_arithmetic

#### Types of Convolution: 3D Convolution

Purpose: Work with 3D data, e.g. learn spatial + temporal representations for videos.



#### Types of Convolution: 1x1 Convolution

Purpose: Reduce number of channels.



#### Types of Convolution: Separable Convolution

Purpose: Reduce number of parameters and multiplications.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



#### Types of Convolution: Depth-wise Separable Convolution

Purpose: Reduce number of parameters and multiplications.



#### Types of Convolution: Group Convolution



AlexNet (Krizhevsky et al.)



#### Types of Convolution: Group Convolution

Purpose: Reduce number of parameters and multiplications.



2048

2048

AlexNet

dense

128 Max

pooling

192

Max

pooling

128

pooling

#### Types of Convolution: Group Convolution

- Benefits:
  - Efficiency in training (distribute groups to different GPUs)
  - Decrease in # of parameters as the # of groups increases
  - Better performance?



Figure: https://blog.yani.ai/filter-group-tutorial/

https://towardsdatascience.com/a-comprehensive-introduction-to-different-types-of-convolutions-in-deep-learning-669281e58215

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#### Types of Convolution: Deformable Convolution

Dai, J., Qi, H., Xiong, Y., Li, Y., Zhang, G., Hu, H., & Wei, Y. (2017). Deformable convolutional networks. ICCV.

#### Purpose: Flexible receptive field.



Figure 2: Illustration of  $3 \times 3$  deformable convolution.



Figure 1: Illustration of the sampling locations in  $3 \times 3$  standard and deformable convolutions. (a) regular sampling grid (green points) of standard convolution. (b) deformed sampling locations (dark blue points) with augmented offsets (light blue arrows) in deformable convolution. (c)(d) are special cases of (b), showing that the deformable convolution generalizes various transformations for scale, (anisotropic) aspect ratio and rotation.



#### (a) standard convolution

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(b) deformable convolution

#### Types of Convolution: Deformable Convolution

Dai, J., Qi, H., Xiong, Y., Li, Y., Zhang, G., Hu, H., & Wei, Y. (2017). Deformable convolutional networks. ICCV.

#### Bilinear interpolation for x(p).

 $\mathcal{R} = \{(-1, -1), (-1, 0), \dots, (0, 1), (1, 1)\}$ 

defines a  $3 \times 3$  kernel with dilation 1.

For each location  $\mathbf{p}_0$  on the output feature map  $\mathbf{y}$ , we have

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_n \in \mathcal{R}} \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_n) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n), \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{p}_n$  enumerates the locations in  $\mathcal{R}$ .

In deformable convolution, the regular grid  $\mathcal{R}$  is augmented with offsets  $\{\Delta \mathbf{p}_n | n = 1, ..., N\}$ , where  $N = |\mathcal{R}|$ . Eq. (1) becomes

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_n \in \mathcal{R}} \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_n) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n + \Delta \mathbf{p}_n).$$
 (2)

Now, the sampling is on the irregular and offset locations  $\mathbf{p}_n + \Delta \mathbf{p}_n$ . As the offset  $\Delta \mathbf{p}_n$  is typically fractional, Eq. (2) is implemented via bilinear interpolation as

$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathbf{q}} G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{q}), \qquad (3)$$

where **p** denotes an arbitrary (fractional) location (**p** =  $\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n + \Delta \mathbf{p}_n$  for Eq. (2)), **q** enumerates all integral spatial locations in the feature map **x**, and  $G(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the bilinear interpolation kernel. Note that G is two dimensional. It is separated into two one dimensional kernels as

$$G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) = g(q_x, p_x) \cdot g(q_y, p_y), \tag{4}$$

where g(a, b) = max(0, 1 - |a - b|). Eq. (3) is fast to compute as  $G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p})$  is non-zero only for a few qs.

In the deformable convolution Eq. (2), the gradient w.r.t. the offset  $\Delta \mathbf{p}_n$  is computed as

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_{0})}{\partial \Delta \mathbf{p}_{n}} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_{n} \in \mathcal{R}} \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_{n}) \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_{0} + \mathbf{p}_{n} + \Delta \mathbf{p}_{n})}{\partial \Delta \mathbf{p}_{n}} \\
= \sum_{\mathbf{p}_{n} \in \mathcal{R}} \left[ \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_{n}) \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}_{0} + \mathbf{p}_{n} + \Delta \mathbf{p}_{n})}{\partial \Delta \mathbf{p}_{n}} \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{q}) \right],$$
(7)

where the term  $\frac{\partial G(\mathbf{q},\mathbf{p}_0+\mathbf{p}_n+\Delta\mathbf{p}_n)}{\partial\Delta\mathbf{p}_n}$  can be derived from Eq. (4). Note that the offset  $\Delta\mathbf{p}_n$  is 2D and we use  $\partial\Delta\mathbf{p}_n$  to denote  $\partial\Delta p_n^x$  and  $\partial\Delta p_n^y$  for simplicity.

#### Types of Convolution: Position-sensitive convolution

• Learn to use position information when necessary



#### Convolution demos & tutorials

- <u>https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\_arithmetic</u>
- <u>http://cs231n.github.io/assets/conv-demo/index.html</u>
- <u>https://ezyang.github.io/convolution-visualizer/index.html</u>
- <u>https://ikhlestov.github.io/pages/machine-learning/convolutions-types/</u>
- <u>https://towardsdatascience.com/a-comprehensive-introduction-to-different-types-of-convolutions-in-deep-learning-669281e58215</u>

## OPERATIONS IN A CNN: Pooling

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- Weighted average with distance from the value of the center pixel
- L2 norm
- Second-order statistics?

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- Different problems may perform better with different pooling methods
- Pooling can be overlapping or non-overlapping

### Apply an operation on the "detector" results to combine or to summarize the answers of a set of units.

- Applied to each channel (depth slice) independently
- The operation has to be differentiable of course.
- Alternatives:

Pooling

- Maximum
- Sum
- Average



Remember the motivation for CNNs: S (simple) cells: local feature extraction. C (complex) cells: provide tolerance to deformation, e.g. shift.

#### Pooling

- Example
  - Pooling layer with filters of size 2x2
  - With stride = 2
  - Discards 75% of the activations
  - Depth dimension remains unchanged
- Max pooling with F=3, S=2 or F=2, S=2 are quite common.
  - Pooling with bigger receptive field sizes can be destructive
- Avg pooling is an obsolete choice. Max pooling is shown to work better in practice.





Figure: Goodfellow et al., "Deep Learning", MIT Press, 2016.

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#### Pooling

• Pooling provides invariance to small translation.



Figures: Goodfellow et al., "Deep Learning", MIT Press, 2016.

• If you pool over different convolution operators, you can gain invariance to different transformations.

#### Pooling can downsample

• Especially needed when to produce an output with fixed-length on varying length input.



Figure: Goodfellow et al., "Deep Learning", MIT Press, 2016.

• If you want to use the network on images of varying size, you can arrange this with pooling (with the help of convolutional layers)

#### CNNs without pooling

• "Striving for Simplicity: The All Convolutional Net proposes to discard the pooling layer in favor of architecture that only consists of repeated CONV layers. To reduce the size of the representation they suggest using larger stride in CONV layer once in a while."

http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/

CIFAR-10 classification error		
Model	Error (%)	# parameters
without data augmentation		
Model A	12.47%	$pprox 0.9 \ { m M}$
Strided-CNN-A	13.46%	$pprox 0.9 \ { m M}$
ConvPool-CNN-A	10.21%	$\approx 1.28 \text{ M}$
ALL-CNN-A	10.30%	pprox 1.28  M
Model B	10.20%	$\approx 1 \text{ M}$
Strided-CNN-B	10.98%	$\approx 1 \text{ M}$
ConvPool-CNN-B	9.33%	$\approx 1.35 \text{ M}$
ALL-CNN-B	9.10%	pprox 1.35  M
Model C	9.74%	$pprox 1.3 \ { m M}$
Strided-CNN-C	10.19%	$pprox 1.3 \ { m M}$
ConvPool-CNN-C	9.31%	$pprox 1.4 \ { m M}$
ALL-CNN-C	9.08%	$\approx 1.4 \text{ M}$

(ALL-CNN: No pooling)

https://arxiv.org/pdf/1412.6806.pdf

#### Summary: Convolution & pooling

- Provide strong bias on the model and the solution
- They directly affect the overall performance of the system

## OPERATIONS IN A CNN: nonlinearity

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#### Non-linearity

- Sigmoid
- Tanh
- ReLU and its variants
  - The common choice
  - Faster
  - Easier (in backpropagation etc.)
  - Avoids saturation issues

• ...

# OPERATIONS IN A CNN: normalization

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• From Krizhevsky et al. (2012):

generalization. Denoting by  $a_{x,y}^i$  the activity of a neuron computed by applying kernel *i* at position (x, y) and then applying the ReLU nonlinearity, the response-normalized activity  $b_{x,y}^i$  is given by the expression

$$b_{x,y}^{i} = a_{x,y}^{i} / \left( k + \alpha \sum_{\substack{j=\max(0,i-n/2)}}^{\min(N-1,i+n/2)} (a_{x,y}^{j})^{2} \right)^{\beta}$$

where the sum runs over n "adjacent" kernel maps at the same spatial position, and N is the total number of kernels in the layer. The ordering of the kernel maps is of course arbitrary and determined before training begins. This sort of response normalization implements a form of lateral inhibition inspired by the type found in real neurons, creating competition for big activities amongst neuron outputs computed using different kernels. The constants  $k, n, \alpha$ , and  $\beta$  are hyper-parameters whose values are determined using a validation set; we used k = 2, n = 5,  $\alpha = 10^{-4}$ , and  $\beta = 0.75$ . We

#### Normalization



https://medium.com/syncedreview/facebook-ai-proposes-group-normalization-alternative-tobatch-normalization-fb0699bffae7

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OPERATIONS IN A CNN: fully connected layer

#### Fully-connected layer

- At the top of the network for mapping the feature responses to output labels
- Full connectivity
- Can be many layers
- Various activation functions can be used



#### Alternative to FC: Global Average Pooling

"Network In Network", https://arxiv.org/pdf/1312.4400.pdf



#### Alternative to FC: Global Average Pooling

"Network In Network", https://arxiv.org/pdf/1312.4400.pdf

- We have *n* feature maps:
  - $f_1, ..., f_n.$
- Global average pooling is then:

$$\bar{f_i} = \sum_{x,y} f_i(x,y)$$

 Classification scores are obtained by:

$$S_c = \sum_i w_i^c \bar{f_i}$$

- Advantages:
  - No parameters, hence significant improvement in terms of overfitting problem.
  - Forces the feature maps to capture confidence maps.
  - It is more suitable to the nature of CNNs.
  - Provides invariance to spatial transformations.



Fig: http://www.robots.ox.ac.uk/~vgg/practicals/cnn/

## Training a CNN

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#### Feed-forward through convolution



$$a_{i}^{l} = \sigma(net_{i}^{l})$$
$$net_{i}^{l} = \sum_{j=1}^{F} w_{j} \cdot a_{i+j-1}^{l-1}$$

For example:  

$$net_1^l = w_1a_1^{l-1} + w_2a_2^{l-1} + w_3a_3^{l-1}$$

## Backpropagation through convolution





Gradient wrt. weights:  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial L} = ?$  $\overline{\partial w_k}$  $= \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{1}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{1}^{l}}{\partial w_{k}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{2}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{2}^{l}}{\partial w_{k}} \dots$  $= \sum_{i} \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{i}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{i}^{l}}{\partial w_{k}}$  $= \sum_{i} \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{i}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{i}^{l}}{\partial m_{i}} \frac{\partial a_{i}^{l}}{\partial m_{k}} \frac{\partial net_{i}^{l}}{\partial w_{k}}$ 

# Backpropagation through convolution





Gradient wrt. input layer:  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{3}^{l-1}} =?$   $= \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{1}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{1}^{l}}{\partial net_{1}^{l}} \frac{\partial net_{1}^{l}}{\partial a_{3}^{l-1}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{2}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{2}^{l}}{\partial net_{2}^{l}} \frac{\partial net_{2}^{l}}{\partial a_{3}^{l-1}}$   $+ \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{2}^{l}} \frac{\partial a_{2}^{l}}{\partial net_{2}^{l}} \frac{\partial net_{2}^{l}}{\partial a_{3}^{l-1}}$   $= \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_{1}^{l}} w_{3} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_{2}^{l}} w_{2} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_{3}^{l}} w_{1}$ 

In general:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_i^{l-1}} = \sum_{j=1}^{l} \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_{i-j+1}^l} w_j$$

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#### Feed-forward through pooling



$$a_i^l = \max \left\{ a_{i+j-1}^{l-1} \right\}_{j=1}^F$$

For example:  $net_1^l = \max \{a_1^{l-1}, a_2^{l-1}, a_3^{l-1}\}$ 

#### Backpropagation through pooling

Feedforward:  
$$a_i^l = \max\{a_{i+j-1}^{l-1}\}_{j=1}^F$$



Using derivative of max:  

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_i^{l-1}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_k^l} \frac{\partial net_k^l}{\partial a_i^{l-1}}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial net_k^l}, & a_i^{l-1} \text{ is max} \\ \frac{\partial net_k^l}{\partial net_k^l}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This requires that we save the index of the max activation (sometimes also called *the switches*) so that gradient "routing" is handled efficiently during backpropagation.

#### Backpropagation

• Backpropagation through non-linearity and fully-connected layers are straight-forward
# Designing CNN Architectures

#### A Blueprint for CNNs

INPUT -> [[CONV -> RELU]\*N -> POOL?]\*M -> [FC -> RELU]\*K -> FC

where the  $\star$  indicates repetition, and the POOL? indicates an optional pooling layer. Moreover,  $N \ge 0$  (and usually  $N \le 3$ ),  $M \ge 0$ ,  $K \ge 0$  (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.

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#### Demo

#### https://poloclub.github.io/cnn-explainer/

The following doesn't work, try cnn-explainer instead

#### http://scs.ryerson.ca/~aharley/vis/conv/



# Fully Convolutional Networks (FCNs)

- Fully-connected layers limit the input size
- Use convolution, especially 1x1 convolution to reduce channels and layer size



Figure 2. Transforming fully connected layers into convolution layers enables a classification net to output a heatmap. Adding layers and a spatial loss (as in Figure 1) produces an efficient machine for end-to-end dense learning.

Long, J., Shelhamer, E., & Darrell, T. (2015). Fully convolutional networks for semantic segmentation. CVPR.



Figure 1. Fully convolutional networks can efficiently learn to make dense predictions for per-pixel tasks like semantic segmentation.

# General rules of thumb: The input layer

- The size of the input layer should be divisible by 2 many times
  - Hopefully a power of 2
- E.g.,
  - 32 (e.g. CIFAR-10),
  - 64,
  - 96 (e.g. STL-10), or
  - 224 (e.g. common ImageNet ConvNets),
  - 384, and 512 etc.

General rules of thumb: The conv layer

- Small filters with stride 1
- Usually zero-padding applied to keep the input size unchanged
- In general, for a certain *F*, if you choose

$$P=(F-1)/2,$$

the input size is preserved (for S=1):

$$\frac{W - F + 2P}{S} + 1$$

- Number of filters:
  - A convolution channel is more expensive compared to fully-connected layer.
  - We should keep this as small as possible.

General rules of thumb: The pooling layer

- Commonly,
  - F=2 with S=2
  - Or: F=3 with S=2
- Bigger F or S is very destructive

# Taking care of downsampling

- At some point(s) in the network, we need to reduce the size
- If conv layers do not downsize, then only pooling layers take care of downsampling
- If conv layers also downsize, you need to be careful about strides etc. so that
  - (i) the dimension requirements of all layers are satisfied and
  - (ii) all layers tile up properly.
- S=1 seems to work well in practice
- However, for bigger input volumes, you may try bigger strides

### Trade-offs in architecture

#### • Between filter size and number of layers (depth)

- Keep the layer widths fixed.
- "When the time complexity is roughly the same, the deeper networks with smaller filters show better results than the shallower networks with larger filters."
- Between layer width and number of layers (depth)
  - Keep the size of the filters fixed.
  - "We find that increasing the depth leads to considerable gains, even the width needs to be properly reduced."
- Between filter size and layer width
  - Keep the number of layers (depth) fixed.
  - No significant difference

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Convolutional Neural Networks at Constrained Time Cost

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#### 4.4. Is Deeper Always Better?

The above results have shown the priority of depth for improving accuracy. With the above trade-offs, we can have a much deeper model if we further decrease width/filter sizes and increase depth. However, in experiments we find that the accuracy is stagnant or even reduced in some of our very deep attempts. There are two possible explanations: (1) the width/filter sizes are reduced overly and may harm the accuracy, or (2) overly increasing the depth will degrade the accuracy even if the other factors are not traded. To understand the main reason, *in this subsection we do not constrain the time complexity* but solely increase the depth without other changes.

#### Memory

Main sources of memory load:

- Activation maps:
  - Training: They need to be kept during training so that backpropagation can be performed
  - Testing: No need to keep the activations of earlier layers
- Parameters:
  - The weights, their gradients and also another copy if momentum is used
- Data:
  - The originals + their augmentations
- If all these don't fit into memory,
  - Load your data batch by batch from disk
  - Decrease the size of your batches

#### Memory constraints

- Using smaller RFs with more layers means more memory since you need to store more activation maps
- In such memory-scarce cases,
  - the first layer may use bigger RFs with S>1
  - information loss from the input volume may be less critical than the following layers
- E.g., AlexNet uses RFs of 11x11 and S = 4 for the first layer.

## How to initialize the weights?

- Option 1: randomly
  - E.g. using He initialization (check Week 8 slides)
  - This has been shown to work nicely in the literature
- Option 2:
  - Train/obtain the "filters" elsewhere and use them as the weights
  - Unsupervised pre-training using image patches (windows)
  - Avoids full feedforward and backward pass, allows the search to start from a better position
  - You may even skip training the convolutional layers



He et al., "Delving Deep into Rectifiers: Surpassing Human-Level Performance on ImageNet Classification", 2015.

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#### Table 3: Classification error on MNIST.

(a) Algorithms that learn the filters unsupervised.

Rasmus et al. (2015) (semi-supervised ladder)

(1)

	Algorithm	600	1000	3000	All	
	Zhao et al. (2015) (auto-encoder)	8.4% 6	.40% 4	4.76%	-	
	Rifai et al. (2011) (constractive auto-encoder)	6.3% 4	.77% 3	3.22%	1.14%	
CONVOLUTIONAL CLUSTERING	This work (2 layers + multi dict.)	2.8%	2.5%	1.4%	0.5%	
FOR UNSUPERVISED LEARNING	(b) Supervised and semi-supervised algorithms.					
	Algorithm	600	1000	3000	All	
	LeCun et al. (1998) (convnet)	7.68%	6.45%	3.35%	-	ľ
Aysegul Dundar, Jonghoon Jin, and Eugenio Culurciello Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN 47907, USA	Lee (2013) (psuedo-label)	5.03%	3.46%	2.69%	-	
	Zhao et al. (2015) (semi-supervised auto-encoder)	3.31%	2.83%	2.10%	0.71%	
	Kingma et al. (2014) (generative models)	2.59%	2.40%	2.18%	0.96%	

#### LEARNING FILTERS WITH K-MEANS 3.1

Our method for learning filters is based on the k-means algorithm. The classic k-means algorithm finds cluster centroids that minimize the distance between points in the Euclidean space. In this context, the points are randomly extracted image patches and the centroids are the filters that will be used to encode images. From this perspective, k-means algorithm learns a dictionary  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ from the data vector  $w^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for i = 1, 2, ..., m. The algorithm finds the dictionary as follows:

$$\begin{split} s_{j}^{(i)} &:= \begin{cases} D^{(j)^{T}} w^{(i)} & \text{if } j = \operatorname*{argmax}_{l} \left| D^{(l)^{T}} w^{(i)} \right|, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ D &:= WS^{T} + D, \\ D^{(j)} &:= \frac{D^{(j)}}{||D^{(j)}||_{2}}, \end{split}$$

where  $s^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^k$  is the code vector associated with the input  $w^{(i)}$ , and  $D^{(j)}$  is the j'th column of the dictionary D. The matrices  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$  have the columns  $w^{(i)}$  and  $s^{(i)}$ . respectively.  $w^{(i)}$ 's are randomly extracted patches from input images that have the same dimension as the dictionary vectors,  $D^{(j)}$ .



1.0%





(b) convolutional k-means

Transfer learning: using a trained CNN & fine-tuning

# Using trained CNN

- Also called transfer learning
  - Rare to design and train a CNN from scratch!
- Take a trained CNN, e.g., AlexNet
  - Use a trained CNN as a feature detector:
    - Remove the last fully-connected layer
    - The activations of the remaining layer are called CNN codes
    - This yields a 4096 dimensional feature vector for AlexNet
    - Now, add a fully-connected layer for your problem and train a linear classifier on your dataset.
  - Alternatively, fine-tune the whole network with your new layer and outputs
    - You may limit updating only to the last layers because earlier layers are generic, and quite dataset independent
- Pre-trained CNNs





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## Finetuning

1.If the new dataset is small and similar to the original dataset used to train the CNN:

- Finetuning the whole network may lead to overfitting
- Just train the newly added layer
- 2. If the new dataset is big and similar to the original dataset:
  - The more, the merrier: go ahead and train the whole network
- 3.If the new dataset is small and different from the original dataset:
  - Not a good idea to train the whole network
  - However, add your new layer not to the top of the network, since those parts are very dataset (problem) specific
  - Add your layer to earlier parts of the network
- 4. If the new dataset is **big** and **different** from the original dataset:
  - We can "finetune" the whole network
  - This amounts to a new training problem by initializing the weights with those of another network

## More on finetuning

- You cannot change the architecture of the trained network (e.g., remove layers) arbitrarily
- The sizes of the layers can be varied
  - For convolution & pooling layers, this is straightforward
  - For the fully-connected layers: you can convert the fully-connected layers to convolution layers, which makes it size-independent.
- You should use small learning rates while fine-tuning

#### See also:

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## How transferable are features in deep neural networks?

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# Visualizing and Understanding CNNs

## Many different mechanisms

- Visualize layer activations
- Visualize the weights (i.e., filters)
- Visualize examples that maximally activate a neuron
- Visualize a 2D embedding of the inputs based on their CNN codes
- Occlude parts of the window and see how the prediction is affected
- Data gradients

#### Visualize activations during training

- Activations are dense at the beginning.
  - They should get sparser during training.
- If some activation maps are all zero for many inputs, dying neuron problem => high learning rate in the case of ReLUs.



http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/

Typical-looking activations on the first CONV layer (left), and the 5th CONV layer (right) of a trained AlexNet looking at a picture of a cat. Every box shows an activation map corresponding to some filter. Notice that the activations are sparse (most values are zero, in this visualization shown in black) and mostly local.

# Visualize the weights

- We can directly look at the filters of all layers
- First layer is easier to interpret
- Filters shouldn't look noisy



Typical-looking filters on the first CONV layer (left), and the 2nd CONV layer (right) of a trained AlexNet. Notice that the first-layer weights are very nice and smooth, indicating nicely converged network. The color/grayscale features are clustered because the AlexNet contains two separate streams of processing, and an apparent consequence of this architecture is that one stream develops high-frequency grayscale features and the other low-frequency color features. The 2nd CONV layer weights are not as interpretable, but it is apparent that they are still smooth, well-formed, and absent of noisy patterns.

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#### Visualize the inputs that maximally activate a neuron

Rich feature hierarchies for accurate object detection and semantic segmentation Tech report (v5)

• Keep track of which images activate a neuron most

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Maximally activating images for some POOL5 (5th pool layer) neurons of an AlexNet. The activation values and the receptive field of the particular neuron are shown in white. (In particular, note that the POOL5 neurons are a function of a relatively large portion of the input image!) It can be seen that some neurons are responsive to upper bodies, text, or specular highlights.

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#### Embed the codes in a lower-dimensional space

- Place images into a 2D space such that images which produce similar CNN codes are placed close.
- You can use, e.g., t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE)







Figure 1 : Illustration of t-SNE on MNIST dataset

Figure: Laurens van der Maaten and Geoffrey Hinton

### Occlude parts of the image

- Slide an "occlusion window" over the image
- For each occluded image, determine the class prediction confidence/probability.



Three input images (top). Notice that the occluder region is shown in grey. As we slide the occluder over the image we record the probability of the correct class and then visualize it as a heatmap (shown below each image). For instance, in the left-most image we see that the probability of Pomeranian plummets when the occluder covers the face of the dog, giving us some level of confidence that the dog's face is primarily responsible for the high classification score. Conversely, zeroing out other parts of the image is seen to have relatively negligible impact.

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#### Data gradients

• Generate an image that maximizes the class score.

More formally, let  $S_c(I)$  be the score of the class c, computed by the classification layer of the ConvNet for an image I. We would like to find an  $L_2$ -regularised image, such that the score  $S_c$  is high:  $\arg \max_I S_c(I) - \lambda \|I\|_2^2$ , (1)

where  $\lambda$  is the regularisation parameter. A locally-optimal I can be found by the back-propagation

• Use: Gradient ascent!

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#### Data gradients

• The gradient with respect to the input is high for pixels which are on the object

We start with a motivational example. Consider the linear score model for the class c:

$$S_c(I) = w_c^T I + b_c, \tag{2}$$

where the image I is represented in the vectorised (one-dimensional) form, and  $w_c$  and  $b_c$  are respectively the weight vector and the bias of the model. In this case, it is easy to see that the magnitude of elements of w defines the importance of the corresponding pixels of I for the class c.

In the case of deep ConvNets, the class score  $S_c(I)$  is a highly non-linear function of I, so the reasoning of the previous paragraph can not be immediately applied. However, given an image  $I_0$ , we can approximate  $S_c(I)$  with a linear function in the neighbourhood of  $I_0$  by computing the first-order Taylor expansion:

$$S_c(I) \approx w^T I + b,$$
 (3)

where w is the derivative of  $S_c$  with respect to the image I at the point (image)  $I_0$ :

$$w = \left. \frac{\partial S_c}{\partial I} \right|_{I_0}.\tag{4}$$

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#### **Class Activation Maps**

• Weighted combination of the feature maps before GAP:

$$M(x,y) = \sum_{k} w_{k}^{c} f_{k}(x,y)$$



Figure 2. Class Activation Mapping: the predicted class score is mapped back to the previous convolutional layer to generate the class activation maps (CAMs). The CAM highlights the class-specific discriminative regions.

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#### **Class Activation Maps**

• GradCAM:

$$\alpha_{k}^{c} = \sum_{x,y} \frac{\partial S_{c}}{\partial f_{k}(x,y)}$$
$$M^{c}(x,y) = ReLU\left(\sum_{k} \alpha_{k}^{c} f_{k}(x,y)\right)$$

NetworkImageGradCAMGradCAM++VGG16ImageImageImageImageResnet50ImageImageImageImage

Figure: https://pypi.org/project/grad-cam/

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#### Feature inversion

• Learns to reconstruct an image from its representation

This section introduces our method to compute an approximate inverse of an image representation. This is formulated as the problem of finding an image whose representation best matches the one given [34]. Formally, given a representation function  $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C} \to \mathbb{R}^d$  and a representation  $\Phi_0 = \Phi(\mathbf{x}_0)$  to be inverted, reconstruction finds the image  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}$  that minimizes the objective:

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}} \ell(\Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi_0) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})$$
(1)

where the loss  $\ell$  compares the image representation  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  to the target one  $\Phi_0$  and  $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a regulariser capturing a *natural image prior*.

• Regularization term here is the key factor, e.g. a combination of the two terms:

$$\mathcal{R}_{lpha}(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|_{lpha}^{lpha}, \qquad \mathcal{R}_{V^{eta}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i,j} \left( (x_{i,j+1} - x_{ij})^2 + (x_{i+1,j} - x_{ij})^2 \right)^{rac{eta}{2}}$$

#### Understanding Deep Image Representations by Inverting Them



Figure 1. What is encoded by a CNN? The figure shows five possible reconstructions of the reference image obtained from the 1,000-dimensional code extracted at the penultimate layer of a reference CNN[13] (before the softmax is applied) trained on the ImageNet data. From the viewpoint of the model, all these images are practically equivalent. This image is best viewed in color/screen.

#### Feature inversion with perceptual losses



Figure from Johnson, Alahi, and Fei-Fei, "Perceptual Losses for Real-Time Style Transfer and Super-Resolution", ECCV 2016.

## Visualization distill.pub

https://distill.pub/2017/feature-visualization/

https://distill.pub/2018/building-blocks/

## Fooling ConvNets

- Given an image I labeled as l<sub>1</sub>, find minimum "r" (noise) such that I + r is classified as a different label, l<sub>2</sub>.
- I.e., minimize:  $\arg\min_{r} loss(I + r, l_2) + c|r|$



#### EXPLAINING AND HARNESSING ADVERSARIAL EXAMPLES

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#### More on adversarial examples

- How to classify adversarial examples correctly?
  - You need to train your network against them!
  - That is very expensive and training against all kinds of adversarial examples is not possible
  - However, training against adversarial examples increases accuracy on non-adversarial examples as well.
- They are still an unsolved issue in neural networks
- Adversarial examples are problems of any learning method
- See I. Goodfellow for more on adversarial examples:
  - http://www.kdnuggets.com/2015/07/deep-learning-adversarial-examples-misconceptions.html

#### There Is No Free Lunch In Adversarial Robustness (But There Are Unexpected Benefits)



 "We provide a new understanding of the fundamental nature of adversarially robust classifiers and how they differ from standard models. In particular, we show that there provably exists a trade-off between the standard accuracy of a model and its robustness to adversarial perturbations. We demonstrate an intriguing phenomenon at the root of this tension: a certain dichotomy between "robust" and "non-robust" features. We show that while robustness comes at a price, it also has some surprising benefits. Robust models turn out to have interpretable gradients and feature representations that align unusually well with salient data characteristics. In fact, they yield striking feature interpolations that have thus far been possible to obtain only using generative models such as GANs."