Introduction to Convolutional Neural Networks

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NN vs. CNN

- Neural Network: a vector serves as an input
- Convolutional Neural Network: a volume (e.g. multichannel image) serves as an input



NN vs. CNN

- Weights between neurons of NN represent analogy to convolutional filters of CNN.
- Filters in one convolutional layer are mutually independent.
- Finally, what is the difference between NN or CNN and RNN (recurrent)?



Convolutional Neural Network Layers



What are CNNs ?

CNN = Neural Network with a convolution operation instead of matrix multiplication in at least one of the layers

Neural Networks





Output example : one class

airplane dog automobile frog bird horse cat ship deer truck

A typical CNN architecture



Preview: ConvNet is a sequence of Convolutional Layers, interspersed with activation functions



Biological neuron & mathematical model



Convolution

The convolution operation



The convolution operation



Convolution Layers



Convolution Layer



For example, if we had 6 5x5 filters, we'll get 6 separate activation maps:



We stack these up to get a "new image" of size 28x28x6!





7x7 input (spatially) assume 3x3 filter



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=> 5x5 output



7x7 input (spatially) assume 3x3 filter applied **with stride 2**



7x7 input (spatially) assume 3x3 filter applied with stride 2 => 3x3 output!



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Output size: (N - F) / stride + 1

Zero-Padding





Zero-Padding: common to the border



e.g. input 7x7 **3x3** filter, applied with stride 1
pad with 1 pixel border => what is the output?

7x7 output!

in general, common to see CONV layers with
stride 1, filters of size FxF, and zero-padding with
(F-1)/2. (will preserve size spatially)
e.g. F = 3 => zero pad with 1
F = 5 => zero pad with 2
F = 7 => zero pad with 3

Examples time:

Input volume: 32x32x3 10 5x5 filters with stride 1, pad 2





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Summary. To summarize, the Conv Layer:

- Accepts a volume of size $W_1 imes H_1 imes D_1$
- Requires four hyperparameters:
 - 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:

$$W_2 = (W_1 - F + 2P)/S + 1$$

Common settings:

K = (powers of 2, e.g. 32, 64, 128, 512)

- F = 3, S = 1, P = 1
- F = 5, S = 1, P = 2
- F = 5, S = 2, P = ? (whatever fits)
- F = 1, S = 1, P = 0

- $H_2 = (H_1 F + 2P)/S + 1$ (i.e. width and height are computed equally by symmetry) • $D_2 = K$
- 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.



Effect = invariance to small translations of the input





- makes the representations smaller and more manageable
- operates over each activation map independently



Max Pooling

Single depth slice



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max pool with 2x2 filters and stride 2



Summary

Common settings:

- Accepts a volume of size $W_1 imes H_1 imes D_1$
- Requires three hyperparameters:
 - $\circ\;$ their spatial extent F ,
 - $\circ\;$ the stride S ,
- Produces a volume of size $W_2 imes H_2 imes D_2$ where:
 - $W_2 = (W_1 F)/S + 1$
 - $\circ H_2 = (H_1 F)/S + 1$
 - $\circ D_2 = D_1$
- · Introduces zero parameters since it computes a fixed function of the input
- Note that it is not common to use zero-padding for Pooling layers

F = 2, S = 2 F = 3, S = 2







Sigmoid $\sigma(x) = 1/(1+e^{-x})$

- Squashes numbers to range [0,1]
- Historically popular since they have nice interpretation as a saturating "firing rate" of a neuron

- 1. Saturated neurons "kill" the gradients
- 2. Sigmoid outputs are not zerocentered
- 3. exp() is a bit compute expensive



- Squashes numbers to range [-1,1]
- zero centered (nice)
- still kills gradients when saturated :(

tanh(x)

[LeCun et al., 1991]



ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit) Computes f(x) = max(0,x)

- Does not saturate (in +region)
- Very computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice (e.g. 6x)
- Not zero-centered output
- ReLU units can "die"



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- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice! (e.g. 6x)
 will not "die".

Leaky ReLU

 $f(x) = \max(0.01x, x)$

[Mass et al., 2013] [He et al., 2015]

In practice

- Use ReLU. Be careful with your learning rates
- Try out Leaky ReLU / Maxout / ELU
- Try out tanh but don't expect much
- Don't use sigmoid

Weights initialization

Weights initialization

- If the weights in a network start too small, then the signal shrinks as it passes through each layer until it's too tiny to be useful.
- If the weights in a network start too large, then the signal grows as it passes through each layer until it's too massive to be useful.

Weights initialization

• All zero initialization

• Small random numbers

 Draw weights from a Gaussian distribution with standard deviation of sqrt(2/n), where n is the number of outputs to the neuron





AlexNet example



[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]



Input: 227x227x3 images

First layer (CONV1): 96 11x11 filters applied at stride 4 =>

Output volume **[55x55x96]** Parameters: (11*11*3)*96 = **35K**

Case Study: AlexNet

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]



Input: 227x227x3 images After CONV1: 55x55x96

Second layer (POOL1): 3x3 filters applied at stride 2 Output volume: 27x27x96 Parameters: 0!

Case Study: AlexNet

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

Full (simplified) AlexNet architecture: [227x227x3] INPUT [55x55x96] CONV1: 96 11x11 filters at stride 4, pad 0 [27x27x96] MAX POOL1: 3x3 filters at stride 2 [27x27x96] NORM1: Normalization layer [27x27x256] CONV2: 256 5x5 filters at stride 1, pad 2 [13x13x256] MAX POOL2: 3x3 filters at stride 2 [13x13x256] NORM2: Normalization layer [13x13x384] CONV3: 384 3x3 filters at stride 1, pad 1 [13x13x384] CONV4: 384 3x3 filters at stride 1, pad 1 [13x13x256] CONV5: 256 3x3 filters at stride 1, pad 1 [6x6x256] MAX POOL3: 3x3 filters at stride 2 [4096] FC6: 4096 neurons [4096] FC7: 4096 neurons [1000] FC8: 1000 neurons (class scores)



Details/Retrospectives: -first use of ReLU

- used Norm layers (not common anymore)
- heavy data augmentation
- dropout 0.5
- batch size 128
- SGD Momentum 0.9
- -Learning rate 1e-2, reduced by 10

manually when val accuracy plateaus

- L2 weight decay 5e-4
- 7 CNN ensemble: 18.2% -> 15.4%