Deep Neural Networks Scanning for patterns (aka convolutional networks)

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# Story so far

• MLPs are universal function approximators

- Boolean functions, classifiers, and regressions

• MLPs can be trained through variations of gradient descent

- Gradients can be computed by backpropagation

# The model so far Or, more generally a vector input output layer input layer

- Can recognize patterns in data
  - E.g. digits
  - Or any other vector data

# A new problem



- Does this signal contain the word "Welcome"?
- Compose an MLP for this problem.
  - Assuming all recordings are exactly the same length..



• Trivial solution: Train an MLP for the entire recording

# **Finding a Welcome**



- Problem with trivial solution: Network that finds a "welcome" in the top recording will not find it in the lower one
  - Unless trained with both
  - Will require a very large network and a large amount of training data to cover every case

# **Finding a Welcome**



- Need a *simple* network that will fire regardless of the location of "Welcome"
  - and not fire when there is none

#### **Flowers**



• Is there a flower in any of these images

### A problem



• Will an MLP that recognizes the left image as a flower also recognize the one on the right as a flower?

## A problem





 Need a network that will "fire" regardless of the precise location of the target object

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  - We have classified many "windows" individually
  - "Welcome" may have occurred in any of them



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  - With many subnetworks, one per window
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- The network is *shift-invariant!*

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# The 2-d analogue: Does this picture have a flower?



• *Scan* for the desired object

"Look" for the target object at each position



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  - We get one classification output per scanned location
    - Each dot in the right represents the output of the MLP when it classifies one location in the input figure
      - The score output by the MLP
  - Look at the maximum value
    - If the picture has a flower, the location with the flower will result in high output value

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For i = 1:W-K+1
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y(i,j) = MLP(ImgSegment)

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#### **Regular networks vs. scanning networks**



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  - All entries in the weight matrix are unique
  - The weight matrix is (generally) full

## **Regular network**



- Consider the first layer
  - Assume N inputs and M outputs
- The weights matrix is a full  $M \times N$  matrix
  - Requiring *MN* unique parameters



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Effective in any situation where the data are expected to be composed of similar structures at different locations

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  - The weights matrix is block *structured with identical blocks*
  - The network is a shared-parameter model
- Also, far fewer parameters (we return to this topic shortly)



- Modifying the visualization for intuition..
  - Will still be the same network



time

- A modified drawing
  - Indicates progression of time/space
    - The progression of "bars" of neurons is indicative of time
    - Note: bars at the lowest level are also *vectors* of inputs
  - More appropriate
    - Since vertical bars are vectors



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Visualizing scanning with a stride of 1

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- These are really just large networks
- Can just use conventional backpropagation to learn the parameters
  - Provide many training examples
    - Images with and without flowers
      - Target output 1 for flower images, 0 for non-flower images
    - Speech recordings with and without the word "welcome"
      - Target output 1 for "welcome" recordings, 0 for recordings without "welcome"
  - Gradient descent to minimize the total divergence between predicted and desired outputs
- Will actually learn the lower-level flower (or welcome) detector

#### **Training the network: constraint**



- These are *shared parameter* networks
  - All lower-level subnets are identical
    - Are all searching for the same pattern
  - Any update of the parameters of one copy of the subnet must equally update *all* copies

#### Learning in shared parameter networks

 Consider a simple network with shared weights

$$w_{ij}^k = w_{mn}^l = w^{\mathcal{S}}$$

- A weight  $w_{ij}^k$  is required to be identical to the weight  $w_{mn}^l$
- For any training instance X, a small perturbation of  $w^{\delta}$  perturbs both  $w_{ij}^{k}$  and  $w_{mn}^{l}$  identically
  - Each of these perturbations will individually influence the divergence Div(d, y)



## Computing the divergence of shared parameters





• Each of the individual terms can be computed via backpropagation



- More generally, let S be any set of edges that have a common value, and  $w^S$  be the common weight of the set
  - E.g. the set of all red weights in the figure

$$\frac{dDiv}{dw^{\delta}} = \sum_{e \in \mathcal{S}} \frac{\partial Div}{\partial w^{e}}$$

• The individual terms in the sum can be computed via backpropagation

- Gradient descent algorithm:
- Initialize all weights  $W_1, W_2, ..., W_K$
- Do:
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## Story so far

- Position-invariant pattern classification can be performed by scanning
  - 1-D scanning for sound
  - 2-D scanning for images
  - 3-D and higher-dimensional scans for higher dimensional data
- Scanning is equivalent to composing a large network with repeating subnets
  - The large network has shared subnets
- Learning in scanned networks: Backpropagation rules must be modified to combine gradients from parameters that share the same value
  - The principle applies in general for networks with shared parameters



 The entire MLP operates on each "window" of the input – Using the "bar" visual  $\frac{1}{8}$  to represent the network



- At each location, each neuron computes a value based on its inputs
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# Scanning the input



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  - Which we put through our final softmax to decide if the recording includes the word "Welcome"



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  - The fact that the first neuron has already evaluated the future blocks does not affect the output of that neuron, or the network itself, at the current block
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 In fact if *all* of the neurons in the first layer fully evaluate the entire input before the rest of the network evaluates the first block, this will not change the output of the network at the first block



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  - The final softmax will give us the correct answer for the entire input 110

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for t = 1:T-K+1
for l = 1:L # layers operate at location t
for j = 1:D1
    if (l == 1) #first layer operates on input
        y(0,:,t) = x(:, t:t+K-1)
    end
    z(l,j,t) = b(l,j) # bias
    for i = 1:D1-1
        z(l,j,t) += w(l,i,j)y(l-1,i,t)
        y(l,j,t) = activation(z(l,j,t))
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#### Scanning with an MLP Over layers for 1 = 1:L # layers operate at location t for t = 1:T-K+1 $\longleftarrow$ Over time for $j = 1:D_1$ if (1 == 1) #first layer operates on input y(0,:,t) = x(:, t:t+K-1)end z(l,j,t) = b(l,j)for $i = 1:D_{1-1}$ z(l,j,t) += w(l,i,j)y(l-1,i,t)y(l,j,t) = activation(z(l,j,t))

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#### **Scanning with an MLP: Vector notation**

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 end
 z(l,t) = W(l)y(l-1,t) + b(l)
 y(l,t) = activation(z(l,t))

 $Y = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{y}(L, 1) \dots \mathbf{y}(L, T-K+1))$ 

# Scanning in 2D: A closer look



- Scan for the desired object
- At each location, the entire region is sent through an MLP



• The "input layer" is just the pixels in the image connecting to the hidden layer



- Scanning: Analyze windows of pixels starting from top left, until the bottom right of the image
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 To classify a specific "window" in the image, we send the first level activations from the positions corresponding to that position to the next layer


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- Recursing the logic, we can create a map for the neurons in the next layer as well
  - The map is a flower detector for each location of the original image



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- To detect a picture *at any location* in the original image, only need to consider the corresponding location of the output map
- Actual problem? Is there a flower in the image
  - Not "detect the location of a flower"



- Is there a flower in the picture?
- The entire output map can be sent into a final "max" to detect a flower in the full picture

– Or a softmax, or a full MLP...



- Redrawing the final layer
  - "Flatten" the output of the neurons into a single block, since the arrangement is no longer important
  - Pass that through a max/softmax/MLP

- KxK = size of "patch" evaluated by MLP
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# **Recall: What does an MLP model?**



- The lowest layers of the network capture simple patterns
  - The linear decision boundaries in this example
- The next layer captures more complex patterns
  - The polygons
- The next one captures still more complex patterns..

#### How does an MLP represent patterns



- The neurons in an MLP build up complex patterns from simple pattern hierarchically
  - Each layer learns to "detect" simple combinations of the patterns detected by earlier layers
- Ideally must encourage such hierarchical learning
  - More data/parameter efficient



• The entire MLP looks for a flower-like pattern at each location

#### The behavior of the layers



- The first layer neurons "look" at the entire "window" to extract windowlevel features
  - Subsequent layers only perform classification over these window-level features
- The first layer neurons is responsible for evaluating the entire window of pixels
  - Subsequent layers only look at a *single* pixel in their input maps



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- The window has been *distributed* over two layers
- The higher layer implicitly learns the *arrangement* of sub patterns that represents the larger pattern (the flower in this case)

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• With a minor modification...

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Each arrow represents an entire set of weights over the smaller cell

The pattern of weights going out of any cell is identical to that from any other cell.



Colors indicate neurons with shared parameters

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#### Does the picture have a flower



- Building the pattern over 3 layers
- The final classification for the entire image views the outputs from all locations, as seen in the final map





Showing a simpler 2x2x1 network to fit on the slide







We are effectively evaluating the yellow block with the shared parameter net to the right

*Every* block is evaluated using the same net in the overall computation

#### **Using hierarchical build-up of features**



- The individual blocks are now themselves shared-parameter networks
- We scan the figure using the shared parameter network
- The entire operation can be viewed as a single giant network
  - Where individual subnets are themselves shared-parameter nets



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#### **Distributed scanning**



- Scan of 8-time-step wide patterns with a stride of two time steps *distributed over two layers*
  - At each position higher level neurons *reuse* some of the computations performed at the previous step(s)!

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for x = 1:W-K+1for y = 1:H-K+1

ImgSegment = Img(\*, x:x+W-1, y:y+W-1)
Y(x,y) = MLP(ImgSegment)

Y = softmax(Y(1,1)..Y(W-K+1,H-K+1))



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else
 Segment = Y(l-1,1:D\_{1-1},x,y)
 Compute z(l,j,x,y) [from Segment]
 Y(l,j,x,y) = activation(z(l,j,x,y))

#### **Reordered scanning with distribution**

Each layer now scans the output maps from the previous layer in windows of K<sub>I</sub>xK<sub>I</sub>

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#### "Convolutional Neural Network" (aka scanning with an MLP)

```
Y(0,:,:,:) = Image
for 1 = 1:L # layers operate on vector at (x,y)
   for x = 1: W_{1-1} - K_1 + 1
       for y = 1: H_{1-1} - K_1 + 1
          for j = 1:D_1
              z(1,j,x,y) = 0
              for i = 1:D_{1-1}
                  for x' = 1:K_1
                       for y' = 1:K_1
                            z(1,j,x,y) += w(1,i,j,x',y')
                                  Y(1-1, i, x+x'-1, y+y'-1)
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#### **Convolutional neural net: Vector notation**

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         segment = Y(1-1, :, x:x+K_1-1, y:y+K_1-1) #3D tensor
         z(l,j,x,y) = W(l,j).segment + b(l,j)
                        #tensor inner prod.
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 $Y = softmax(\mathbf{Y}(L))$ 

### Why distribute?

- Distribution forces *localized* patterns in lower layers
  - More generalizable
- Fewer computations
  - Reusable computations from lower layers
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# **Scanning without distribution**



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# Images: Undistributed network



- Only need to consider what happens in *one* block
  - All other blocks are scanned by the same net
- $(K^2 + 1)N_1$  weights in first layer
- $(N_1 + 1)N_2$  weights in second layer -  $(N_{i-1} + 1)N_i$  weights in subsequent i<sup>th</sup> layer
- Total parameters:  $O(K^2N_1 + N_1N_2 + N_2N_3 ...)$ 
  - Ignoring the bias term

#### 2-D version

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  - $(K_1^2 N_1 + 1)N_2$  weights
- Third layer:

-  $(K_2^2 N_2 + 1)N_3$  weights

- Subsequent layers need  $N_{i-1}N_i$  neurons
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# **Comparing Number of Parameters**

Conventional MLP, not distributed



- $\mathcal{O}(K^2N_1 + N_1N_2 + N_2N_3 \dots)$
- For this example, let K = 16,  $N_1 = 4, N_2 = 2, N_3 = 1$
- Total 1034 weights

Distributed (3 layers)



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- Here, let K = 16,  $K_0 = 4$ ,  $K_1 = 4$ ,  $N_1 = 4$ ,  $N_2 = 2$ ,  $N_3 = 1$
- Total 64+128+2 = 194 weights

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  - Large (sometimes order of magnitude) reduction in parameters
    - Gains increase as we increase the depth over which the blocks are distributed
  - Significant gains from shared computation
- Key intuition: Regardless of the distribution, we can view the network as "scanning" the picture with an MLP
  - The only difference is the manner in which parameters are shared in the MLP

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- The scanning block can be distributed over multiple layers of the network
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# Some final touches

- Terminology
  - Filters and receptive fields
- Shrinking the maps
  - Scanning with strides
- Accounting for jitter
  - Pooling

# Hierarchical composition: A different perspective



- The entire operation can be redrawn as before as maps of the entire image
- Each neuron scans and "redraws" the input with some features enhanced
  - The specific features that the neuron detects

# **Building up patterns**



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# **Terminology: Filters**



- Each of the scanning neurons is generally called a "filter"
  - Each filter scans for a pattern in the map it operates on

#### **Terminology: Receptive fields**



- The pattern in the *input* image that each neuron responds to is its "Receptive Field"
  - The squares show the *sizes* of the receptive fields for the first, second and third-layer neurons
- The actual receptive field for a first layer neuron is simply its arrangement of weights
- For the higher layer neurons, the actual receptive field is not immediately obvious and must be *calculated* 
  - What patterns in the input do the filters actually respond to?
  - Will not actually be simple, identifiable patterns like "petal" and "inflorescence"



- The rectangular maps of the neurons in the final layer of the scanning network will generally be reorganized into a vector before passing them to the final softmax or MLP
- This restructuring of the maps is often called "flattening"

#### Modification 1: Convolutional "Stride"



- The scans of the individual "filters" may advance by more than one pixel at a time
  - The "stride" may be greater than 1
  - Effectively increasing the granularity of the scan
    - Saves computation, sometimes at the risk of losing information
- This will result in a reduction of the size of the resulting maps
  - They will shrink along each axis by a factor equal to the stride
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• The max filtering can also be performed as a scan























- The "max" operations may "stride" by more than one
  - This will result in a *shrinking* of the map
  - The operation is usually called "pooling"
    - Pooling a number of outputs to get a single output
    - When stride is greater than 1, also called "Down sampling"

## Shrinking with a max



- In this example we *shrank* the image after the max
  - Adjacent "max" operators did not overlap
  - The stride was the size of the max filter itself

## **Non-overlapped strides**



- Non-overlapping strides: Partition the output of the layer into blocks
- Within each block only retain the *highest* value
  - If you detect a petal anywhere in the block, a petal is detected..

## **Max Pooling**

#### Single depth slice

X A	1	1	2	4
	5	6	7	8
	3	2	1	0
	1	2	3	4

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max pool with 2x2 filters and stride 2



## **Higher layers**



• The next layer works on the *max-pooled* maps

## The overall structure



- We can have many layers of "convolution" (scanning) followed by max pooling (and reduction) before the final MLP
  - Not every convolutional layer needs to be followed by max pooling

## The overall structure



 This entire structure is called a *Convolutional Neural Network*

## **Convolutional Neural Network**



## **1-D convolution**



- The 1-D scan version of the convolutional neural network is the *time-delay neural network* 
  - Used primarily for speech recognition



• The 1-D scan version of the convolutional neural network



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- The 1-D scan version of the convolutional neural network
  - Max pooling optional
    - Not generally done for speech



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- The 1-D scan version of the convolutional neural network
- A final perceptron (or MLP) to aggregate evidence
  - "Does this recording have the target word"

# **Time-Delay Neural Network**



 This structure is called the *Time-Delay Neural Network*

# Story so far

- Neural networks learn patterns in a hierarchical manner
  - Simple to complex
- Pattern classification tasks such as "does this picture contain a cat" are best performed by scanning for the target pattern
- Scanning for patterns can be viewed as classification with a large sharedparameter network
- Scanning an input with a network and combining the outcomes is equivalent to scanning with individual neurons
  - First level neurons scan the input
  - Higher-level neurons scan the "maps" formed by lower-level neurons
  - A final "decision" layer (which may be a max, a perceptron, or an MLP) makes the final decision
- The scanned "block" can be distributed over multiple layers for efficiency
- At each layer, a scan by a neuron may optionally be followed by a "max" (or any other) "pooling" operation to account for deformation
- For 2-D (or higher-dimensional) scans, the structure is called a convnet
- For 1-D scan along time, it is called a Time-delay neural network