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
• Can recognize patterns in data
  – E.g. digits
  – Or any other vector data
An important observation

• 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.
An important observation

- 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
- This is because the basic units themselves are simple
  - Typically linear classifiers or thresholding units
  - Incapable of individually holding complex patterns
What do the neurons capture?

- What do the weights tell us?
  - Using example of threshold activation

- The perceptron “fires” if the correlation between the weights and the inputs exceeds a threshold
  - The perceptron fires if the input pattern looks like pattern of weights
The weights as a correlation filter

The green pattern looks more like the weights pattern (black) than the red pattern

- The green pattern is more correlated with the weights

\[
y = \begin{cases} 
1 & \text{if } \sum_i w_i x_i \geq T \\
0 & \text{else}
\end{cases}
\]
The MLP as a function over feature detectors

- The input layer comprises “feature detectors”
  - Detect if certain patterns have occurred in the input
- The network is a function over the feature detectors
- I.e. it is important for the *first* layer to capture relevant patterns
Distributed representations: The MLP as a cascade of feature detectors

• The network is a cascade of feature detectors
  – Higher level neurons compose complex templates from features represented by lower-level neurons
Story so far

• **Perceptrons are correlation filters**
  – They detect patterns in the input

• **Layers in an MLP are detectors of increasingly complex patterns**
  – Patterns of lower-complexity patterns
  – The representation of “acceptable” input patterns is distributed over the layers of the network

• **MLP in classification**
  – The network will fire if the combination of the detected basic features matches an “acceptable” pattern for a desired class of signal
    • E.g. Appropriate combinations of (Nose, Eyes, Eyebrows, Cheek, Chin) → Face
  – If the final complex pattern detected “matches” a desired pattern
Changing gears..
A problem

• Does this signal contain the word “Welcome”?
• Compose an MLP for this problem.
  – Assuming all recordings are exactly the same length..
Finding a Welcome

• 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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  - Only the presence of the pattern
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  - We have classified many “windows” individually
  - “Welcome” may have occurred in any of them
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  - Finding a welcome in adjacent windows makes it more likely that we didn’t find noise
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  – Or a proper softmax/logistic
    • Adjacent windows can combine their evidence
  – Or even an MLP
Scanning with an MLP

- \( K \) = width of “patch” evaluated by MLP

For \( t = 1:T-K+1 \)

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  - With many subnetworks, one per window
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Just the final layer of the overall MLP
Scanning with an MLP

\[ Y = \text{giantMLP}(x) \]
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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- *Scan* for the desired object
- At each location, the entire region is sent through an MLP
Scanning the picture to find a flower

• Determine if any of the locations had a flower
  – 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
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For \(i = 1:W-K+1\)
   For \(j = 1:H-K+1\)
      \(\text{ImgSegment} = \text{Img}(i:i+W-1, j:j+W-1)\)
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  - Composed of many “subnets” (one per window)
  - With one key feature: all subnets are identical
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Training the network

- These are really just large networks
- Can just use conventional backpropagation to learn the parameters
  - Provide many training examples
    - Images with and without flowers
    - Speech recordings with and without the word “welcome”
  - Gradient descent to minimize the total divergence between predicted and desired outputs
- Backprop learns a network that maps the training inputs to the target binary outputs
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
  \[ w_{ij}^k = w_{mn}^l = w^s \]
  – 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 \( w^s \) 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

\[
\frac{dDiv}{dw^s} = \frac{\partial Div}{\partial w^k_{ij}} \frac{dw^k_{ij}}{dw^s} + \frac{\partial Div}{\partial w^l_{mn}} \frac{dw^l_{mn}}{dw^s} \\
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Computing the divergence of shared parameters

- 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

\[
d\text{Div} \quad \frac{d\text{Div}}{dw^S} = \sum_{e \in S} \frac{\partial \text{Div}}{\partial w^e}
\]

- The individual terms in the sum can be computed via backpropagation
Training networks with shared parameters

• Gradient descent algorithm:
• Initialize all weights $\mathbf{W}_1, \mathbf{W}_2, \ldots, \mathbf{W}_K$
• Do:
  – For every set $\mathcal{S}$:
    • Compute:
      \[
      \nabla_{\mathcal{S}} \text{Err} = \frac{d\text{Err}}{dw^\mathcal{S}}
      \]
      \[
      w^\mathcal{S} = w^\mathcal{S} - \eta \nabla_{\mathcal{S}} \text{Err}
      \]
    • For every $(k, i, j) \in \mathcal{S}$ update:
      \[
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- For every training instance $X$
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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
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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
Let's do it in a different order

- What about now?
- The second neuron too has fully evaluated the entire input before the rest of the network evaluates the first block
  - This too should not change the output of the network for the first block
• 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.
Let's do it in a different order

- But now, since the first layer neurons have already produced outputs for every location, each neuron in the second layer can go ahead and produce outputs for every position without waiting for the rest of the net
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\text{for } j = 1 : D_l \\
\quad \text{if } (l == 1) \quad \# \text{first layer operates on input} \\
\quad y(0,:,t) = x(:, t:t+K-1) \\
\quad \text{end} \\
\quad z(l,j,t) = 0 \\
\text{for } i = 1 : D_{l-1} \\
\quad z(l,j,t) += w(l,i,j)y(l-1,i,t) \\
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Scanning with MLP: Vector notation

for \( l = 1:L \)  \# layers operate at location \( t \)
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Scanning in 2D: A closer look

- **Scan** for the desired object
- At each location, the entire region is sent through an MLP
Scanning: A closer look

- The “input layer” is just the pixels in the image connecting to the hidden layer.
Scanning: A closer look

• Consider a single neuron
Scanning: A closer look

- Consider a single perceptron
- At each position of the box, the perceptron is evaluating the part of the picture in the box as part of the classification for *that* region
  - We could arrange the outputs of the neurons for each position correspondingly to the original picture

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activation\left(\sum_{i,j} w_{ij} p_{ij} + b\right)
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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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  – Not “detect the location of a flower”
Detecting a picture anywhere in the image?

- Is there a flower in the picture?
- The output of the almost-last layer is also a grid/picture
- The entire grid can be sent into a final neuron that performs a logical “OR” to detect a flower in the full picture
  - Finds the max output from all the positions
  - Or a softmax, or a full MLP..
Detecting a picture in the image

- 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
Scanning with an MLP

- $K \times K$ is the size of “patch” evaluated by MLP
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Scanning with MLP

for \( x = 1:W-K+1 \)
  for \( y = 1:H-K+1 \)
    # First layer operates on the input
    # Unwrap \( W \times W \) patch at \( (x,y) \) into a \( D_0 \times 1 \) vector
    \( \text{ImgSegment} = \text{Img}(1:C, \ x:x+K-1, \ y:y+K-1) \)
    \( Y(0,:,x,y) = \text{ImgSegment} \)
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    for \( j = 1:D_l \)
      \( z(l,j,x,y) = 0 \)
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Reordering the computation: Vector notation

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Recall: What does an MLP learn?

• 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.
Recall: 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
Returning to our problem: What does the network learn?

- 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 “block” to extract block-level features
  - Subsequent layers only perform classification over these block-level features
- **The first layer neurons is responsible for evaluating the entire block of pixels**
  - Subsequent layers only look at a single pixel in their input maps
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- This effectively evaluates the larger block of the original image.
Distributing the scan

• 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...
This is *still* just scanning with a shared parameter network

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
The 3-layer shared parameter net

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Showing a simpler 2x2x1 network to fit on the slide
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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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        Compute $z(l,j,x,y)$ [not expanded]
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      for \( y = 1:H_{l-1}-K_1+1 \)
        \[ z(l,j,x,y) = 0 \]
        for \( i = 1:D_{l-1} \)
          for \( x' = 1:K_1 \)
            for \( y' = 1:K_1 \)
              \[ z(l,j,x,y) += w(l,i,j,x',y') Y(l-1,i,x+x',y+y') \]
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\[\text{This operation is a “convolution”}\]

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“Convolutional Neural Network”
(aka scanning with an MLP)

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for \( j = 1: D_l \)

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Convolutional neural net: Vector notation

The weight $W(l,j)$ is now a 3D $D_{l-1} \times K_l \times K_l$ tensor (assuming square receptive fields).

The product in blue is a tensor inner product with a scalar output.

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                segment = $Y(l-1, :, x:x+K_l, y:y+K_l)$  #3D tensor
                $z(l,j,x,y) = W(l,j).segment$  #tensor inner prod.
                $Y(l,j,x,y) = \text{activation}(z(l,j,x,y))$

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Why distribute?

• Distribution forces *localized* patterns in lower layers
  – More generalizable

• Number of parameters...
Parameters in *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 \(i\)th layer

- Total parameters: \(O(K^2 N_1 + N_1 N_2 + N_2 N_3 \ldots )\)
  - Ignoring the bias term
When distributed over 2 layers

- First layer: $N_1$ lower-level units, each looks at $L^2$ pixels
  - $N_1 (L^2 + 1)$ weights
- Second layer needs $\left( \left( \frac{K}{L} \right)^2 N_1 + 1 \right) N_2$ weights
- Subsequent layers need $N_{i-1} N_i$ when distributed over 2 layers only
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When distributed over 3 layers

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  – $N_1(L_1^2 + 1)$ weights
• Second layer: $N_2$ (groups of) units looking at groups of $L_2 \times L_2$ connections from each of $N_1$ first-level neurons
  – $(L_2^2N_1 + 1)N_2$ weights
• Third layer:
  – $\left(\frac{K}{L_1L_2}\right)^2 N_2 + 1)N_3$ weights
• Subsequent layers need $N_{i-1}N_i$ neurons
  – Total parameters: $O \left( L_1^2N_1 + L_2^2N_1N_2 + \left(\frac{K}{L_1L_2}\right)^2 N_2N_3 + \cdots \right)$
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- Here, let $K = 16$, $L_1 = 4$, $L_2 = 4$, $N_1 = 4$, $N_2 = 2$, $N_3 = 1$
- Total 64+128+8 = 160 weights
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- $O(K^2 N_1 + \sum_i N_i N_{i+1})$

- $O \left( L_1^2 N_1 + \sum_{i < n_{\text{conv}} - 1} L_i^2 N_i N_{i+1} + \left( \frac{K}{\Pi_i h o p_i} \right)^2 N_{n_{\text{conv}} - 1} N_{n_{\text{conv}}} + \sum_{i \in \text{flat}} N_i N_{i+1} \right)$

These terms dominate..
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• Number of parameters...
  – Large (sometimes order of magnitude) reduction in parameters
    • Gains increase as we increase the depth over which the blocks are distributed

• 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
Story so far

- Position-invariant pattern classification can be performed by scanning the input for a target pattern
  - Scanning is equivalent to composing a large network with shared subnets

- The operations in scanning the input with a full network can be equivalently reordered as
  - scanning the input with individual neurons in the first layer to produce scanned “maps” of the input
  - Jointly scanning the “map” of outputs by all neurons in the previous layers by neurons in subsequent layers

- The scanning block can be distributed over multiple layers of the network
  - Results in significant reduction in the total number of parameters
Hierarchical composition: A different perspective

- The entire operation can be redrawn as before as maps of the entire image.
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Each of the scanning neurons is generally called a “filter”
- Its really a correlation filter as we saw earlier
- Each filter scans for a pattern in the map it operates on
The pattern in the *input* image that each filter sees 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 filter is simply its arrangement of weights

For the higher level filters, 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”
Some modifications

• The final layer may feed directly into a multi layer perceptron rather than a single neuron
• This is exactly the shared parameter net we just saw
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 by a factor equal to the stride
• This can happen at any layer
The weight $W(l,j)$ is now a 3D $D_{l-1} \times K_l \times K_l$ tensor (assuming square receptive fields).

$Y(0) = \text{Image}$

for $l = 1:L$  # layers operate on vector at (x,y)

for $j = 1:D_l$

for $m = 1$

for $x = 1:\text{stride:} W_{l-1} - K_l + 1$

$n = 1$

for $y = 1:\text{stride:} H_{l-1} - K_l + 1$

segment = $Y(l-1, :, x:x+K_l, y:y+K_l)$  #3D tensor

$z(l,j,m,n) = W(l,j).\text{segment}$  #tensor inner prod.

$Y(l,j,m,n) = \text{activation}(z(l,j,m,n))$

n++

m++

$Y = \text{softmax}(Y(L))$
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  – 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 *shrunk* 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

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

max pool with 2x2 filters and stride 2

6 8
3 4
Higher layers

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

• In reality we can have many layers of “convolution” (scanning) followed by max pooling (and reduction) before the final MLP
  – The individual perceptrons at any “scanning” or “convolutional” layer are called “filters”
    • They “filter” the input image to produce an output image (map)
  – The individual max operations are also called max pooling or max filters
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• This entire structure is called a **Convolutional Neural Network**
Convolutional Neural Network

Input image
First layer filters
First layer maxpooling
Second layer filters
Second layer maxpooling
The 1-D scan version of the convolutional neural network is the *time-delay neural network* — Used primarily for speech recognition.
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• A final perceptron (or MLP) to aggregate evidence
  – “Does this recording have the target word”
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 shared-parameter 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