# Computer Vision with Self-Supervised Learning

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https://home.cs.colorado.edu/~DrG/Courses/RecentAdvancesInComputerVision/AboutCourse.html

#### Review

- Last lecture topic:
  - Vision and sound
- Assignments (Canvas)
  - Final project proposal due earlier today
  - Final project outline due next week
    - Description link: <u>https://home.cs.colorado.edu/~DrG/Courses/RecentAdvancesInComputerVision/FinalProject.html</u>
- Questions?

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#### What Neural Networks Learn



Figure Source: https://www.datacamp.com/community/tutorials/neural-network-models-r

## Fine-Tuning (aka, Transfer Learning)

Key observation: features from a pretrained network can be useful for other datasets/tasks



Image Source: https://www.mathworks.com/help/deeplearning/ug/transfer-learning-using-alexnet.html

#### How Have Pretrained Networks Learned So Far in this Class?



Places (2014)

MS COCO (2014)

Visual Genome (2016)

Slide Credit: http://vision.cs.utexas.edu/slides/mit-ibm-august2018.pdf

#### Why Not Rely On Large Labelled Datasets?



- Expensive - Relatively Slow to Build Dataset



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#### Intuition: How Do Humans Learn?

#### With Supervision

Learn from instruction





https://pixabay.com/en/toddler-learning-book-child-423227/ https://www.maxpixel.net/Father-Child-Family-Dad-Baby-Daughter-3046495

#### Self-Supervised Learning

A form of unsupervised learning, where the data itself serves as supervision



Image source; https://lovevery.com/community/blog/childdevelopment/the-surprising-learning-power-of-a-household-mirror/

#### Idea: Self-Supervised Representation Learning



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#### Idea: Self-Supervised Representation Learning

- Approach: add layer after a layer of a pretrained network (fine-tuning) learned with self-supervised learning
- When and why use self-supervised pretraining?
  - Too costly and slow to collect labels for exclusive supervised training
  - Little training data is available

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#### Image Autoencoder Architecture

• Learn to copy the input to the output



Figure Credit: https://lazyprogrammer.me/a-tutorial-on-autoencoders/

#### Image Autoencoder Architecture

- Consists of two parts:
  - Encoder: compresses inputs to an internal representation
  - **Decoder**: tries to reconstruct the input from the internal representation



Figure Credit: https://www.datacamp.com/community/tutorials/autoencoder-keras-tutorial

#### Image Autoencoder Architecture

• Given this input 620 x 426 image (264,120 pixels):



- What would a perfect autoencoder predict?
  - Itself
- What number of nodes are in the final layer?
  - 264,120



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#### Image Autoencoders

- Intuition: which number sequence is easier to remember?
  - **A:** 30, 27, 22, 11, 6, 8, 7, 2
  - **B:** 30, 15, 46, 23, 70, 35, 106, 53, 160, 80, 40, 20, 10, 5
- B: need learn only two rules
  - If even, divide by 2
  - If odd, multiply by 3 and add 1



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#### Image Autoencoder Training

#### How do you train a neural network?

#### Image Autoencoder Training

Repeat until stopping criterion met:

- 1. Forward pass: propagate training data through network to make prediction
- 2. Backward pass: using predicted output, calculate error gradients backward
- 3. Update each weight using calculated gradients

#### Image Autoencoder Features

- e.g., training data:
  - 1 image taken from 10 million YouTube videos
  - Each image is in color and 200x200 pixels



• What features do you think it learned?

Quoc V. Le et al., Building High-level Features Using Large Scale Unsupervised Learning; ICML 2013.

#### Image Autoencoder Features

• e.g., features learned include:



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#### Video Autoencoder



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#### Colorization: *Plausible* Coloring Results



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Figure Sources: https://www.flickr.com/photos/applesnpearsau/12197380673/in/photostream/; https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:JACQUES\_VILET\_-\_1982,\_Les\_Fruits\_du\_Jardin.jpg



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#### Image Colorization Architecture: CIE Lab Color



*L* indicates grayscale information whereas *a* and *b* represent colors

Figure source: https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Thecubical-CIE-Lab-color-space\_fig3\_23789543

#### Lightness L Color ab Lab Image conv1 conv2 conv8 conv3 conv4 conv5 conv6 conv7 à trous / dilated à trous / dilated 64 256 128 + L 256 512 512 512 512 64 64 32 32 32 32 32 128 (a,b) probability 224 distribution 256 64 313 2

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Create image by combining

predicted *a* and *b* channels

with the *L* channel



Grayscale image: L channel  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{H imes W imes 1}$ 





Color information: ab channels  $\widehat{\mathbf{Y}} \in \mathbb{R}^{H imes W imes 2}$ 





#### Image Colorization Training

For 1.3 million ImageNet images, repeat until stopping criterion met:

- 1. Forward pass: propagate training data through network to make prediction
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#### Image Colorization Training: Loss Function



• Use multinomial classification

$$L(\widehat{\mathbf{Z}}, \mathbf{Z}) = -\frac{1}{HW} \sum_{h, w} \sum_{q} \mathbf{Z}_{h, w, q} \log(\widehat{\mathbf{Z}}_{h, w, q})$$

(captures inherent ambiguity of coloring some objects by allowing the system to predict multimodal distributions)



#### Image Colorization Training: Loss Function



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#### Image Colorization Features

Task requires understanding an image at the pixel and semantic-level



Figure source: http://richzhang.github.io/colorization/

#### Video Colorization



Tran et al. Deep End2End Voxel2Voxel Prediction. CVPR 2016.

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#### Video Prediction

- Train RNN to predict future frames; limitations for prediction include?
  - Identifying new objects that enter scene
  - Determining background as a camera moves  $\hat{v_3}$  $\hat{v_2}$  $\hat{v_1}$ Learned Representation  $W_1$  $W_1$  $W_2$  $W_2$ copy  $v_1$  $v_2$  $\hat{v_3}$  $\hat{v_2}$  $v_3$

Srivastava et al., Unsupervised Learning of Video Representations using LSTMs; ICML 2015.

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Find groupings such that entities in a group will be similar to each another and different from the entities in other groups.

Raschka and Mirjalili; Python Machine Learning

#### Clustering: Key Questions



- How many data clusters to create?
- What "algorithm" to use to partition the data?

Raschka and Mirjalili; Python Machine Learning

#### How Many Clusters?



#### Two Clusters

Four Clusters

#### Number of clusters can be ambiguous.

Slide adapted from: https://www-users.cs.umn.edu/~kumar001/dmbook/slides/chap7\_basic\_cluster\_analysis.pdf

#### Self-Supervised Learning of Clusters



CNNS are trained to identify cluster assignments OR to recognize whether images belong to the same cluster

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#### Task: Predict Image Index for Each Patch





Carl Doersch, Abhinav Gupta, and Alexei A. Efros, Unsupervised Visual Representation Learning by Context Prediction; ICCV 2015.

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#### Task: Predict Order of Video Frames



**Ordered Sequence** 

Lee et al., Unsupervised Representation Learning by Sorting Sequences; ICCV 2017.

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Can you think of any other selfsupervised learning methods that could be used to learn visual features?

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