Foundation Models and Prompts

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Review

- Last lecture:
 - Multimodal applications
 - Image captioning dataset challenges
 - Image captioning algorithms
 - Visual question answering dataset challenges
 - Discussion
- Assignments (Canvas):
 - Reading assignment was due earlier today
 - Project outline due on Wednesday
 - Reading assignment due in one week
- Questions?

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- Foundation Models
- Textual Prompting & Zero-shot Learning
- Visual Prompting & In-context Few-shot Learning
- Prompt Tuning
- Discussion (chosen by YOU ⁽ⁱ⁾)

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Definition of "Foundation Model"



Coined in 2021, it references the recent paradigm shift to develop a single model that can implicitly support many downstream tasks.

Foundation Models: Development Pipeline



Evaluate with modern benchmark datasets for many:

1. Different tasks (e.g., object recognition, scene classification)

2. Different distributions of the same task (e.g., ImageNet versus data from blind people)

Foundation Models: Why Now?

Availability of key ingredients:

- 1. Transformer model architecture
- 2. Lots more training data by using Internet data
- 3. Sufficient hardware with modern GPUs

Foundation Model Novelty



New emergent behavior discovered around 2018 (in NLP) that a foundation model can be used *as is* for many downstream tasks with *prompting!*

https://docs.graphcore.ai/projects/bert-training/en/latest/bert.html

Foundation Model Novelty

As a Result, Foundation Models Can Generalize Beyond The Closed-World Setting with Limited/No Training Data

Beyond Closed-World Setting

Vocabulary / Language

Closed-world/Closed-set: assumes all target classes for the target task are available at training



https://arxiv.org/pdf/2210.09263.pdf

Beyond Closed-World Setting

Vocabulary / Language

Open vocabulary/Zero-shot:

generalize to a new task with no *labeled training data for the target* task (open vocab permits samecategory annotations for other tasks, such as captions for classification)

Closed-world/Closed-set: assumes all target classes for the target task are available at training



running. while shirt



border collie. person. running, dog, while shirt standing/sitting

mask-wearing food flowers textures



Open world/In the wild for different tasks (e.g., detection): succeed for all categories, whether seen or not seen during training

person, dog Visual Content Training **Out-of-domain/Robustness testing**: Domain same content observed differently

Open set classification/Out-of-distribution detection:

predict whether a sample is drawn from the distribution observed at training time

https://arxiv.org/pdf/2204.08790.pdf

Beyond Large Amounts of Training Data



Perrett et al. Use Your Head: Improving Long-Tail Video Recognition. CVPR 2023

Prompting Visual Foundation Models



Awais et al. Foundational Models Defining a New Era in Vision: A Survey and Outlook. arXiv 2023



Model developers in academia & industry!

Zhang et al. MM-LLMs: Recent Advances in MultiModal Large Language Models. arXiv 2024.

What Are Risks of Using Foundation Models?

• e.g.,

- Any biases/limitations trickle to all downstream models
- Current status quo is computationally expensive models (and so models that are bad for environment)

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Foundation Models: What's New?

Key ingredients identified:

1. Transformer model architecture

2. Lots more training data by using Internet data

3. Sufficient hardware with modern GPUs

Curating Image-Text Pairs from Internet; e.g.,

1. Image-Text Pair Collection

- Source: Wikipedia, given its high quality (editorially reviewed), large size (~124M pages), and diversity (279 languages)

 Extracted ~150 million image-text pairs

For Each Image, Multiple Texts Extracted:

WIKIPEDIA The Free Encyclopedia

Berimbau

Article Talk

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **berimbau** (Portuguese pronunciation: [berĩ'baw], borrowed from Kimbundu *mbirimbau*^[1]) is a traditional Angolan musical bow that is commonly used in Brazil.^[2]

It consists of a single-stringed bow attached to a gourd resonator and is played with a stick and a coin or stone to create different tones and rhythms.

The berimbau was used in many parts of Africa and Brazil during the 19th century to accompany chants and storytelling.^[3] It is part of the candomblé tradition, later incorporated into the Afro-Brazilian art capoeira. Until the mid-20th century, it was used almost exclusively within the black community, but after the popularization of capoeira, it gain wider popularity.

Today, berimbau is used in various genres of popular music.

History [edit]

Berimbau is an adaptation of African gourde musical bows, as no Indigenous Brazilian or European people use musical bows.^{[2][5]} According to the musicologist Gerard Kubik, the *berimbau* and the "southwest Angolan variety called *mbulumbumba* are identical in construction and playing technique, as well as in tuning and in a number of basic patterns played."^[6] The assimilation of this Angolan instrument is evident also in other Bantu terms used for musical bow in Brazilian Portuguese, including *urucungo*, and *madimba lungungu*. In 1859, French journalist Charles Ribeyrolles described free practices of African slaves on

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Berimbau





(1) Wikipedia description with (2) associated alt-text and (3) attribution on Wikimedia page

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2. Filtering

Removed images with
"generic" or meaningless text (e.g., maps),
unsuitable licenses,
questionable content
(e.g., pornography,
violence), and width or
height < 100 pixels

 Only kept example in top 100 languages

3. Human Quality Validation

 Crowdsourced ratings for nearly 4,400 examples

Majority vote label used
 from 3 independent ratings

Examples were in English (~3,000), German (300),
French (300), Spanish (300), Russian (300),
Chinese (300), & Hindi (100)

Task: Given an image, descriptions and a title, answer the given questions

More instructions on how to complete the task are available in this guidelines doc

Title: Sequalitchew Creek



Text Description 1	Sequalitchew Creek, lower canyon				
Does Text 1 describe the above	image well?				
⊖Yes ⊖Maybe ⊖No					
Text Description 2	Sequalitchew Creek, lower canyon				
Does Text 2 describe the above image well?					
⊖Yes ⊖Maybe ⊖No					
	Text1: Sequalitchew Creek Jower canvon				
Combined Text Description	Text2: Sequalitchew Creek, lower canyon				
	Extra: Sequalitchew-Creek-lower-canyon.jpg Sequalitchew Creek, located in				
	Fort Lewis, Washington, was the location of the original Fort Nisqually trading				
Does Text1 + Text2 + Extra desc	riptions combined as a whole describe the above image well?				
◯Yes ◯Maybe ◯No					

 Results from first two questions suggested both reference and attribution texts are high-quality

 No major difference found across different languages

Curating Image-Text Pairs from Internet; e.g.,

Dataset	Images	Text	Languages
Flickr30K [39]	32K	158K	< 8
SBU Captions [24]	~1M	~1M	1
MS-COCO [21]	~330K	~1.5M	< 4
CC [5]	~3.3M	~3.3M	1
WIT	11.5M	37.6M	108

WIT has 37.6 million (image, text) pairs describing 11.5 million unique images spanning 108 languages (each with 12K+ examples)

Foundation Model: CLIP

Key ingredients:

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Why CLIP?

Named after the proposed technique: Contrastive Language Image Pre-training

CLIP Model: Novelty

• Train image analysis models with natural language supervision using the vast amounts of publicly available data on the Internet



CLIP Training

Task: predict which imagetext pairs match using 400 million image-text pairs from Internet containing any of 500,000 queries (e.g., words occurring 100+ times in English version of Wikipedia and all WordNet synonyms)

Largest ResNet model took
18 days to train on 592 V100
GPUs and largest ViT took 12
days on 256 V100 GPUs

- Experiments run with largest ("best") ViT model



CLIP Training

- Learns feature embeddings for image and text encoders that push correct image-text pairs together and incorrect image-text pairs apart.

- Learns nouns, verbs, adjectives, and more!



Zero-Shot Performance Evaluated on Over 30 Datasets

CLIP Inference

e.g., zero-shot classification:

1. Compute feature embedding for names of all classes in the dataset by its encoder

2. Compute feature embedding of the image

3. Compute cosine similarity of each (image, text) pair embedding followed by softmax to identify most probable match



https://towardsdatascience.com/understanding-zero-shot-learning-making-ml-more-human-4653ac35ccab

CLIP Inference

Prompts "engineered" to mimic that training data often had sentences (instead of words):

- classification: "A photo of a {label}"
- fine-grained classification: "A photo of a {label}, a type of pet/food/aircraft/etc"
- satellite image classification: "A satellite photo of a {label}"
- ensembles: "A photo of a big/small/etc {label}"

CLIP Evaluation

Subset of datasets shown here:

Classification evaluation spanned fine-grained classification (e.g., food, bird, aircraft, and car categories), distribution shifts for ImageNet categories (e.g., corrupted images), and more

Dataset	Classes	Train size	Test size	Evaluation metric
Food-101	102	75,750	25,250	accuracy
CIFAR-10	10	50,000	10,000	accuracy
CIFAR-100	100	50,000	10,000	accuracy
Birdsnap	500	42,283	2,149	accuracy
SUN397	397	19,850	19,850	accuracy
Stanford Cars	196	8,144	8,041	accuracy
FGVC Aircraft	100	6,667	3,333	mean per class
Pascal VOC 2007 Classification	20	5,011	4,952	11-point mAP
Describable Textures	47	3,760	1,880	accuracy
Oxford-IIIT Pets	37	3,680	3,669	mean per class
Caltech-101	102	3,060	6,085	mean-per-class
Oxford Flowers 102	102	2,040	6,149	mean per class
MNIST	10	60,000	10,000	accuracy
Facial Emotion Recognition 2013	8	32,140	3,574	accuracy
STL-10	10	1000	8000	accuracy
EuroSAT	10	10,000	5,000	accuracy
RESISC45	45	3,150	25,200	accuracy
GTSRB	43	26,640	12,630	accuracy
KITTI	4	6,770	711	accuracy
Country211	211	43,200	21,100	accuracy
PatchCamelyon	2	294,912	32,768	accuracy
UCF101	101	9,537	1,794	accuracy
Kinetics700	700	494,801	31,669	mean(top1, top5)
CLEVR Counts	8	2,000	500	accuracy
Hateful Memes	2	8,500	500	ROC AUC
Rendered SST2	2	7,792	1,821	accuracy
ImageNet	1000	1,281,167	50,000	accuracy

Food101



correct rank: 1/101 correct probability: 90.15% a photo of guacamole, a type of food. a photo of ceviche, a type of food. a photo of edamame, a type of food. a photo of tuna tartare, a type of food. a photo of hummus, a type of food. a photo of hummus, a type of food.

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Motivation

- Goal: Define general-purpose prompts based on images rather than text
- Observation: foundation models achieved better performance for NLP tasks when provided "in-context" examples
 - i.e., [Task description, Examples, Prompt]
 - e.g., "Translate English to Spanish. Computer -> Computadora. Vision ->
- Idea: Use in-context few-shot learning for image-based prompts

Novel Idea: Image Inpainting



Designed to adapt to any "image-to-image translation" task by using the model as is (e.g., no fine-tuning required)

Bar et al. Visual Prompting via Image Inpainting. Neurips 2022

Image inpainting for prompting introduced in 2022 by Bar et al.



Edge detection

Colorization

Inpainting

Style transfer

Bar et al. Visual Prompting via Image Inpainting. Neurips 2022

Idea extended in 2023 by Wang el. on standard vision benchmark datasets

Idea



Training: Masked Image Modeling



Uses self-supervised learning such that the model predict values in masked out patches

Uses standard vision benchmarks for each evaluated task

Experimental Results

(Used for prompt the best performing example pair per task from all examples in the training dataset)

Model achieves state-of-the-art performance on depth estimation for NYUv2 dataset and outperforms other generalist models on several more tasks.

Qualitative Results: In-Domain Results



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Qualitative Results: Open-Vocabulary Results (i.e., Categories Not Seen at Training)

In-context examples, prompts, and predictions for keypoint detection, object segmentation, and instance segmentation



When Might One Choose A Visual Prompt Versus a Textual Prompt?

• e.g.,

- Greater equity for different languages as non-English languages often are poorly supported if at all
- Empowering people appropriately based on their (dis)abilities: e.g., blind and deaf users

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Motivation



Manually engineering prompts is challenging to do well (leading to MANY prompt marketplaces)

Idea: Replace Manually-Authored Prompts with Learnable Parameters



Learned prompts adapt frozen model (e.g., no fine-tuning required) to different target tasks

Jia et al. Visual Prompt Tuning. ECCV 2022

What Are Benefits of Visual Prompt Tuning?

- Typically, little training data is needed because only a limited amount of parameters need to be trained
- Few task-specific parameters need to be learned and stored to support a new task, compared to model fine-tuning
- Prevents overfitting generalizable knowledge and overfitting to the task
- Provides a static knowledge-base

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