Tracking with Deep Neural Networks

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Question

Humans do not need any information or prior knowledge of the object before tracking.
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Humans are able to track unknown object with only a few images.
Deep learning methods have become the dominant artificial vision system for object detection and classification. It is a fusion of bio-inspired and neuromorphic vision models.
Great Success in classification and detection

**ImageNet Classification with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks**

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**Abstract**

We trained a large, deep convolutional neural network to classify the 1.2 million high-resolution images in the ImageNet LSVRC-2010 contest into the 1000 different classes. On the test data, we achieved top-1 and top-5 error rates of 37.5% and 17.0% which is considerably better than the previous state-of-the-art. The neural network, which has 60 million parameters and 650,000 neurons, consists of five convolutional layers, some of which are followed by max-pooling layers, and three fully-connected layers with a final 1000-way softmax. To make training faster, we used non-saturating neurons and a very efficient GPU implementation of the convolution operation. To reduce overfitting in the fully-connected layers we employed a recently-developed regularization method called “dropout” that proved to be very effective. We also entered a variant of this model in the ILSVRC-2012 competition and achieved a winning top-5 test error rate of 15.3%, compared to 26.2% achieved by the second-best entry.
Question
Deep learning methods have become the dominant artificial vision system for object detection and classification. Then can the deep learning methods be applied to tracking?
Difference and difficulty

- The components of a vision system
  - tracking
  - detection
  - classification

Few applications
Many applications
Difference and difficulty

- **Real time applications**
  
  Constrained by the network size, dataset volume, optimization algorithm.

  The network should support at least ten frames-per-second operation on commercial hardware.

- **detection**
  
- **tracking**

- **classification**
Difference and difficulty

- **General purpose VS. specific tasks** — e.g. robotic vision
  It is sometimes not interesting to train the network to perform only on one dataset, when the levels would not carry over another dataset or real-world images.

- tracking
- detection
- classification
Structure of the deep tracking system
Algorithm

**Input** Video frames \((I^{(1)}, ..., I^{(t)})\)

   Rectangle \(r^{(1)}\) of object in the first frame

**Output** Rectangle \((r^{(2)}, ..., r^{(t)})\) of object

**Initialization** (for frame \(I^{(1)}\)):

1) Normalize frame \(I^{(1)}\) by subtracting the mean and dividing the standard deviation.
2) Extract a small patch \(X^{(1)}\) from rectangle \(r^{(1)}\).
3) Feed the patch \(X^{(1)}\) to the network and compute the single output vector \(Y^{(1)} = f_{ConvNet}(X^{(1)})\) where \(Y^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 1}\).
4) Generate the first neuron, centered at \(Y^{(1)}\), in RBFN to save the feature vector \(Y^{(1)}\) for positive prototype.
Algorithm

**Tracking** (for each frame $I^{(t)}$, $t > 1$)

1) Normalize frame $I^{(t)}$ by subtracting the mean and dividing the standard deviation.

2) Slice the whole frame $I^{(t)}$ into small patches $X_{ij}^{(t)}$ ($i, j$ are indexes for row and column).

3) Feed the small patches $X_{ij}^{(t)}$ to the network and compute the output vectors $Y_{ij}^{(t)} = f_{ConvNet}(X_{ij}^{(t)})$ where $Y_{ij}^{(t)} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times 1}$.

4) Produce confidence map based on the distance between inputs $Y_{ij}^{(t)}$ and the neuron $Y^{(1)}$ in RBFN.

5) Draw a rectangle $r^{(t)}$ where the peak of the map is larger than threshold $\tau$. 
Convolutional neural network

• Spatial Convolution

\[ h_{ijk}^{(t)} = \tanh \left( W_k \ast X_{ij}^{(t)} + b_k \right) \]

• Pooling

\[ y_k^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{mn} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \| h_{ijk}^{(t)} \|_2^2} \]
Radial Basis Function Network

RBFN computes the distance from the reference vectors defined as centroids of neurons and finds the closest match.

\[ z(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \phi \left( \| Y - Y_i \| \right) \]
Network Properties

Three different kernels for experiment, all are $7 \times 7$:

- Parameters with random initialization
- Parameters with supervised learning method
- Parameters with unsupervised learning method
Parameters with random initialization

Kernels are randomly generated from normal distribution with zero mean and a standard deviation (0.8, 0.6).
Parameters with supervised learning method

• This network is trained with fully labeled images from the Barcelona dataset.
• Using back-propagation with stochastic gradient descent
• Supervised learning forces kernels to learn common features from the dataset quickly than unsupervised way.
Parameters with unsupervised learning method

- No labeled data is required for training. **CIFAR-10** dataset is used to train the network.
- Using K-means clustering learning method.
- The advantage of K-means is that it is fast and biologically plausible than SGD.
Experimental Results

- Testing benchmark: TLD dataset
- Measurement: \( F = \frac{PR}{P+R} \), \( P \): Precision, \( R \): Recall

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• Perform best in the “Car” dataset.
• Network with K-means performs best.
• It is interesting that random network shows the best records for some datasets.
• It takes about 0.074s seconds to process one frame(13.5 fps) which is 320 × 240 pixel image on a 2-core Intel i-7 laptop.
• Overall performance fluctuates and not comparable as the best trackers such as TLD.
Analysis and Limitation

- Many groups in machine learning focus on huge networks with sophisticated learning techniques, but most of them cannot be applied to real-time application, e.g. robotic vision.
Analysis and Limitation

- A major drawback of many feature learning systems is their complexity and expense.

- How to improve for real-time applications?
  Simpler algorithm, Feature numbers, Stride step, Reception size......

Learning rate

Weight decay

Huge Network

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momentum

Sparsity penalties
Analysis and Limitation

- Supervised network is not suitable for a general purpose system such as tracking an unknown object. The reason for the failure is that all the parameters in the network are adjusted to increase confidence on the specific categories of the labeled dataset and in the process loses information not relevant to that task.
Analysis and Limitation

• The deep neural network with random kernels in the experiment shows comparable performance to the result of supervised network.

• The results from randomness support the fact that the random kernels themselves can be considered as a set of basic blocks and they are able to extract features in spite of unknown random patterns.

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Conclusions

• The experiment has shown that deep neural networks are able to track the target though performance fluctuates depending on the training method.

• Training a network in a strongly supervised way does not guarantee high performance for a general purpose system like tracking an unknown object.
References


Thank you