CSE 40171: Artificial Intelligence



Artificial Neural Networks: Neural Network Architectures

Homework #1 has been released It is due at 11:59PM on 9/16

Architectures







Long / Short Term Memory



- Unit of a recurrent network
- Used to process time series data
- Each neuron has a memory cell and three gates: input, output and forget
- Gates and an explicitly defined memory address vanishing / exploding gradient problem

Long / Short Term Memory



The LSTM Cell 🞯 BY-SA 4.0 Guillaume Chevalier

Example Application: Handwriting Recognition



Autoencoder



- Feed-forward network
- Encode (i.e., compress) information, and then decode (i.e., reconstruct) it from the compressed representation
- Architecture is always symmetric
- Can be built such that encoding weights and decoding weights are the same

Autoencoder Example: MNIST



Variational Autoencoder



- Feed-forward network
- Have the same architecture as AEs, but are taught something else: approximated probability distribution of input samples
- Take influence into account
 - If one thing happens in one place and something else happens somewhere else, they are not necessarily related
- Rule out influence of some units to other units

Variational Autoencoder



Variational Autoencoder Example



Denoising Autoencoder



- Feed-forward network
- Also the same AE architecture, but we feed the input data with noise
- Error is computed the same way, however
 - Output of the network is compared to the original input without noise

Denoising Autoencoder Example: MNIST



Denoising Autoencoder Example: CIFAR10





Original Scale



Hopfield Network



- Recurrent network
- Every neuron is connected to every other neuron
- Each node is input before training, then hidden during training and output afterwards
- Network is trained by setting the value of the neurons to the desired pattern after which the weights can be computed. The weights do not change after this.

Energy Landscape of Hopfield Network



Energy Landscape 🕞 BY-SA 3.0 Mrazvan22

Associated Learning Rule

"Let us assume that the persistence or repetition of a reverberatory activity (or "trace") tends to induce lasting cellular changes that add to its stability.[...] When an axon of cell A is near enough to excite a cell B and repeatedly or persistently takes part in firing it, some growth process or metabolic change takes place in one or both cells such that A's efficiency, as one of the cells firing B, is increased."

Hopfield Network's Associative Memory



- Incorporation of memory vectors
- Two types of operations
 - Auto-association
 - Hetero-association
- Possible to store both types of operations in a single memory matrix

Reconstruction of noisy input of learned image



Boltzmann Machine



- Recurrent network
- Very similar to HNs, but some neurons are marked as input and other are hidden
- The input neurons become output neurons at the end of a full network update
- It starts with random weights and learns through back-propagation, or more recently through contrastive divergence (leveraging Markov chains to compute gradients)
- Networks are stochastic

Restricted Boltzmann Machine



- In practice, Boltzmann machines are rarely used; RBMs address shortcomings
- Not fully connected, only connect every different group of neurons to every other group
 - No input neurons are directly connected to other input neurons and no hidden to hidden connections exist either
- Training: forward pass the data and then backward pass the data (back to the first layer). After that train with forward-and-back-propagation.

Restricted Boltzmann Machine Example: MNIST



Filters obtained after 15 epochs



Samples generated from an RBM model after training

Echo State Network



- Recurrent network
- Randomly instantiated architecture
- Training: feed the input, forward it and update the neurons for a while, and observe the output over time
 - Only the connections between the observer and the (soup of) hidden units are changed
- Input layer is used to prime the network and the output layer acts as an observer of the activation patterns over time

Instance of Reservoir Computing



Liquid State Machine



- Recurrent network; very similar to ESN
- Major difference: spiking neural network
 - Sigmoid activations are replaced with threshold functions and each neuron is also an accumulating memory cell
- When updating a neuron, the value is added to itself
- Once the threshold is reached, it releases its energy to other neurons

Extreme Learning Machine



- ELMs look like ESNs and LSMs, but are not spiking or recurrent
- Are not trained with backpropagation
- Training procedure: start with random weights and train in a single step according to a least-squares fit
- Pro: Fast to train
- Con: Weaker representational capabilities

Neural Turing Machine



- Abstraction of LSTMs
- Attempt to un-black box neural networks
- Memory is explicitly separated
- This type of network is Turing complete

Architectures informed by the brain?



Is building an architecture by hand the best way to do this?

Is optimizing hyperparameters by hand the best way to do this?

Problem: How do we search intractably large spaces?

