Computer Vision – TP14 Advanced Deep Learning Topics II

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- Generative models
- Variational autoencoders (VAEs)
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Generative models

 Given a set of training data, learn their distribution and generate new data from a similar distribution





Training data ~ $p_{data}(x)$ Generated samples ~ $p_{model}(x)$ Want to learn $p_{model}(x)$ similar to $p_{data}(x)$

- Explicit: returns $p_{model}(x)$
- Implicit: generate samples only

Applications

- Generate new data for simulations

 Reinforcement learning
- Generate new data for model training
 Data augmentation
- Fill in the gaps of measured data
 - Super-resolution
 - Colorization
- Inference of latent representation



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Variational Autoencoders

- Idea: we can use the autoencoder approach to generate data from a specific distribution
- Training: data sampled from such distribution
- Use autoencoder to generate the statistical description of the data



Variational Autoencoders

- Idea
 - Encoder and decoder provide distributions (their parameters), not data points!
- Assumptions
 - Training data $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$
 - p(z) Gaussian distribution
 - p(x|z) Gaussian distribution (Decoder)
 - p(z|x) approximated by a Gaussian distribution (Encoder)

Variational Autoencoders

- Training
 - Use a variational lower bound of the loglikelihood $\log p_{\theta}(x_i)$
- Generate data
 - Sample z (latent representation) from a Gaussian prior
 - Use decoder to get (Gaussian) $p_{\theta}(x|z)$
 - Sample x|z from $p_{\theta}(x|z)$

- Data likelihood intractable to compute: $p_{\theta}(x) = \int p_{\theta}(z)p_{\theta}(x|z)dz$
- Use a network to model encoder distribution

$$q_{\phi}(z|x) \approx p(z|x)$$

• Then, optimize a lower bound of the data likelihood: $\log p_{\theta}(x) \ge E_{z}[\log p_{\theta}(x|z)] - D_{KL}(q_{\phi}(z|x)||p_{\theta}(z))$



 Encoder and decoder networks return distribution parameters



Kingma and Welling, "Auto-Encoding Variational Bayes", ICLR 2014

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 Sample from these distributions to get latent z and image x



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Putting it all together: maximizing the likelihood lower bound

 $\underbrace{\mathbf{E}_{z}\left[\log p_{\theta}(x^{(i)} \mid z)\right] - D_{KL}(q_{\phi}(z \mid x^{(i)}) \mid\mid p_{\theta}(z))}_{\mathcal{L}(x^{(i)}, \theta, \phi)}$

Let's look at computing the bound (forward pass) for a given minibatch of input data



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Generating data

- 1. Sample z from prior
- 2. Use decoder network
- 3. Sample from Gaussian posterior



Sample z from $\, z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I) \,$

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VAEs results



32x32 CIFAR-10



Labeled Faces in the Wild

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Latent representations

z contains independent factors!



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GANs taking over

Track updates at the GAN Zoo



https://github.com/hindupuravinash/the-gan-zoo

(Goodfellow 2018)



Generative adversarial networks

- Main idea
 - In contrast with other models (e.g., VAEs), it does not provide explicit information about data distribution (i.e., density function)
 - Generate samples only
- How?
 - Define an adversarial two-player game between a generator and a discriminator



Generator

Learns a transformation from a simple noise distribution to training distribution (e.g., images)



Training samples



Discriminator

Distinguish between real and fake images





Training GANs

- Train jointly the generator and the discriminator in a minimax game
 - Generator: try to fool the discriminator by generating real-looking images
 - Discriminator: try to distinguish between real and generated images



Training GANs

• Minimax objective function

 $\min_{\theta_G} \max_{\theta_D} E_{p_{train}} \log D_{\theta_D}(x) + E_{p(z)} \log(1 - D_{\theta_D} \left(G_{\theta_G}(z) \right))$

- Discriminator: maximize the objective so that D(x) is close to 1 (real) and D(G(z)) close to 0 (fake)
- Generator: minimize the objective so that D(G(z)) is close to 1 (the discriminator is fooled)
- Solved via alternating gradient optimization



Generating data

• After training, just use the generator to generate new samples



- Useful side-effect:
 - Discriminator can be used for transfer learning (why?)



GANs architectures

- Image GANs mainly use CNNs
- Generator
 - Upsampling + convolutional layers: similar to decoder in AEs
- Discriminator
 - Similar to classification CNN



GANs results



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Latent representations

Interpretable vector math





Woman with Glasses

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Generative models: VAEs vs GANs

VAEs

- Principled (max likelihood) approach
- Provide explicit distributions
- Provide blurry samples

GANs

- ③ Beautiful, state-of-the-art samples
- ⊗ Trickier to train (unstable)
- ⊗ Do not provide explicit distributions

Resources

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