Unsupervised Visual Representation Learning by Context Prediction

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Outline

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 - Have a deep dream...
 - Apply it to nearest neighbor
- Conclusion

Motivation

- Supervised learning has already shown some promising results...
- with EXPENSIVE labels!



Approach: Make use of Spatial Context





Randomly Sample Patch Sample Second Patch

Source: C. Doersch at ICCV 2015

Experiments

- Low-level feature visualization
 - AlexNet
 - Our approach
 - Noroozi and Favaro
 - Wang and Gupta

- AlexNet trained on ImageNet
 - Large-scale dataset
 - With labels
- Interpret the filters:
 - Nice and smooth
 - No noisy patterns
 - 2 separate streams of processing
 - High-frequency grayscale features
 - Low-frequency color features



ImageNet Classification with Deep Convolutional Neural Networks. A. Krizhevsky, I. Sutskever, and G. Hinton. NIPS 2012

- Our unsupervised approach
 - Pre-trained on ImageNet
 - Without labels
- Preprocessing with **projection**:
 - Shift green and magenta towards gray
- Interpret the filters
 - Obviously not that good...
 - Noisy patterns exist
 - Due to the projection, some color features are lost



Unsupervised Visual Representation Learning by Context Prediction. C. Doersch, A. Gupta, A. Efros. ICCV 2015.

- Our unsupervised approach
 - Pre-trained on ImageNet
 - Without labels
- Preprocessing with colordropping:
 - Randomly replace 2 of the 3 color channels with Gaussian noise.
- Interpret the filters
 - Almost no color features
 - More noisy patterns
- ? Somehow it outperforms projection in object detection



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- Our unsupervised approach
 - Pre-trained on ImageNet
 - Without labels
- VGG-style network: high-capacity model (16-layer)
- Interpret the filters
 - Kernel size is 3 (very small)
 - Coarse grained result



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Compare with other models

• Instead of just playing with 2 adjacent patches...



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Solving Jigsaw Puzzels

• 2 stacks -> 9 stacks



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Filters after Conv1 by the "Jigsaw" approach

- Unsupervised learning
- Trained on ImageNet
- Compared with Doersch's approach, filters are more smooth with less noisy patterns



Results from other unsupervised methods

- No ImageNet, just 100K unlabeled videos and the VOC 2012 dataset.
- Leverage the fact visual tracking provides the supervision.
- Trained with RGB images



Unsupervised Learning of Visual Representations using Videos X. Wang and A. Gupta (ICCV 2015)

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Going Deeper into Neural Network

- We understand little of why certain models work and others don't.
- We want to understand what exactly goes on at each layer.
- To visualize this procedure:
 - Turn the network upside down and ask it to enhance an input image in such way as to elicit a particular interpretation.



https://research.googleblog.com/2015/06/inceptionism-going-deeper-into-neural.html

Going Deeper into Neural Network(cont)

• Interesting examples:



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Going Deeper into Neural Network(cont)

- Enhance the learning result:
 - Feed in an arbitrary image
 - Whatever you see there, just show me more!



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What does the network see:

• Original image:



Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG(ours)

conv1 vs. conv1_1



Most on color contrast and the contour



More "fragmented" on edges

Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG(ours) • conv2 vs. conv2_1



Compared to conv1, this is obviously more "finegrained", but still on gradient, as I understand...



Compared to the nice tiny fragments on conv1, this is more "chunked" due to more features focus on the relative position for PATCHES.

Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG(ours) • conv3 vs. conv3_1



More sophisticated features in image, start to showing some contours indicated by the features.



It seems like to be on the opposite direction... Coarser-grained and the image seems to be divided into tiny patches. We can actually tell some patterns here(like the cloud and sky)

Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG(ours)

conv4 vs. conv4_1



Some objects start to showing up in the image.



Features start to "converge"

Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG(ours)

conv5 vs. conv5_1



This is how the machine interpret image...



Although starting late, the final results are quite similar to those of the supervised approach.

Deeper Inception

• GoogleNet



Going Deeper with Convolutions C. Szegedy et. al CVPR 2015

GoogleNet Layer by Layer

As you go deeper to the network.....



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- How well can the features do? nearest neighbor

Results from the paper



The semantic meaning makes this approach different

Having a tire on the bonnet forms a very strange layout, different from normal car image.

AlexNet: More on the image structure, like the round structure of the light and tire



Our approach: It somehow get some "semantic" sense: a tire near the car



The semantic meaning makes this approach different

Some animal's leg near a ladder structure.

AlexNet: All the results do not make any sense due to there is no salient feature for the query patch.



Our approach: The first result is very similar to the query patch. A "leg" (maybe just some random white bar) and a "ladder" (although it's just weeds forms a ladder shape)



The semantic meaning makes this approach different

A man near a street lights.

AlexNet: The first result shows a very similar street light, all other results are not quite relevant



Our approach: The first result shows exactly the same thing. Other results show a relative position of a human face and other objects, more or less.



Beyond semantics

• Should this be recognized as a car or teeth?



Beyond semantics

• Supervised AlexNet vs. Unsupervised VGG



Distance: Supervised Model: 0.6221 Our Approach: 0.4360



Distance: Supervised Model: 0.9296 Our Approach: 0.3306

Supervised model thinks it more of a car meanwhile our unsupervised approach thinks it more of teeth.

Supervised model more on geometry, shapes; our approach more on the contents.

Conclusion

- Show me what you have learned
 - Low-level feature visualization
- How to understand what you have learned
 - Amplify the features obtained by the network at specific layer
- How can that help us
 - Show the features' "high-level" performance.

•Q&A