Deep Learning

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What is learning?

- Traditional definition:
- Consider a task T, and a performance metric P
- An algorithm which improves it's performance P on a task T with experience E is said to learn from the experience E

What are the different tasks?

- Task can be:
 - Classification: $X \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$
 - Regression: $X \to \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$
 - Anomaly Detection
 - Etc. etc.
- More and more:
 - Denoising
 - Sampling
 - Machine Translation

What are the different performance measures?

- Easier for classification/regression
- What about for unsupervised learning?
- How do we decide whether the samples we are generating are

"good"?

What are the different performance measures?

• Are these GAN Images good?







What are the different performance measures?

• Does a higher BLEU score mean we're translating better?

E: I am feeling hungry

H: मुझे भूख लग रही है

to-me hunger feeling is

I hungry feel doing am

I: मैं भूखा महसूस कर रहा हूँ

- Criticisms:
 - Too much variation
 - Too little variation
 - Intrinsically meaningless
 - Human translators score low on BLEU



n-gram matches: unigrams: 0/6; bi-

grams: 0/5; trigrams: 0/4; 4-grams: 0/3

📕 False Negative

E: The Lok Sabha has 545 members H: लोक सभा में ५४५ सदस्य हैं Lok Sabha in 545 members are I: लोक सभा के पास ५४५ सदस्य हैं Lok Sabha has/near 545 members are

n-gram matches: unigrams: 5/7; bigrams:3/6; trigrams: 1/5; 4-grams: 0/4

Source: LeCun (2017)

Why go deep?

Traditional P Modelling

Either the world is compositional or there is a god – Eisner, ICLR (2014)







Each node is computes a weighted sum of it's inputs and passes it through an element wise non-linearity

Multiple layers of inputs creates a compositional hierarchy



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ReLU (Call payoff): Maxout $max(x_1, ..., x_N)$ Sigmoid/Tanh (Saturating): SeLU



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 $\sigma\left(\sum_{i} w_{j}^{2} \sigma\left(\sum_{i} w_{i}^{1} x_{i}\right)\right)$

Universal Approximation Theorem

- Shallow and Wide vs Deep and Narrow More memory or more time
- Universal Approximation Theorem states that a network with a single hidden layer can approximate any continuous function
- Not surprising when it's wide enough, it's basically a lookup table
- But most interesting functions require a very large lookup table depth helps us reduce the number of neurons exponentially!

That sounds fun to train:



Backprop (Rumelhart, 1986) is maybe the reason the whole thing works

Before we go into that, let's talk about what gradient descent is first

Gradient Descent

 $D_u f(x) = \nabla f(x) \cdot u = \left| |\nabla f(x)| \right| \cos\theta$

 $\Rightarrow D_u f(x)$ is maximized in the direction of $\nabla f(x)$



$$w_{n+1} = w_n - \eta \nabla f(w)$$



Gradient Descent



 $\eta < \eta_{opt}$

 $\eta > \eta_{opt}$

 $\eta = \eta_{opt}$

$$L(w) = L(w_0) + \frac{1}{2}a(w - w_0)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w} = a(w - w_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow w = w_0 + a^{-1}\frac{\partial L(w)}{\partial w}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 L(w)}{\partial w^2} = a$$

Gradient Descent

• For linear regression, the loss function usually looks like

•
$$L(w) = \frac{\sum_{i} (y_{i} - (w_{0} + w_{1}x_{i}))^{2}}{m}$$

• $\nabla L(w) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sum_{i} (y_{i} - (w_{0} + w_{1}x_{i}))}{m} \\ \frac{\sum_{i} (y_{i} - (w_{0} + w_{1}x_{i})) \cdot x_{i}}{m} \end{pmatrix}$

Pretty expensive if m is large. Do we really need all those points?



Stochastic Gradient Descent

- Consists of showing the input vector for a few examples
- Compute loss
- Use average gradient as a noisy estimate of the true gradient





Source: LeCun (2017)



 $\frac{\partial L}{\partial W_i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial X_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \sigma(x_{i-1}, w_i)}{\partial w_i}$

This sounds hard to implement





import mxnet as mx

х	=	<pre>mx.nd.random_normal(shape=(3,</pre>	3))
У	=	<pre>mx.nd.random_normal(shape=(3,</pre>	3))
z	=	<pre>mx.nd.random_normal(shape=(3,</pre>	3))

a = x * youtput = a + z

With numpy, sure – with MXNet, not so much

```
import numpy as np
x = np.random.randn(3, 3)
y = np.random.randn(3, 3)
z = np.random.randn(3, 3)
a = x * y
b = a + z
c = 2 * b
output = 3 * c
grad outputc = 3 * np.ones((3, 3))
grad bc = 2 * np.ones((3, 3))
grad ba = 1 * np.ones((3, 3))
grad ax = y
grad outputx = grad outputc * grad bc * grad ba * grad ax
print(grad outputx)
```

```
import mxnet as mx
x = mx.nd.random normal(shape=(3, 3))
y = mx.nd.random normal(shape=(3, 3))
z = mx.nd.random normal(shape=(3, 3))
x.attach grad()
with mx.autograd.record():
    a = x * y
    b = a + z
    c = 2 * b
    output = 3 * c
output.backward()
print(x.grad)
```

Training a simple model - manually

Create variables

Record forward pass Update

parameters



```
epochs = 10
learning rate = .0001
num batches = num examples/batch size
w = nd.random normal(shape=(num inputs, num outputs), ctx=model ctx)
b = nd.random normal(shape=num outputs, ctx=model ctx)
params = [w, b]
def net(X):
    return mx.nd.dot(X, w) + b
for e in range(epochs):
    cumulative loss = 0
    # inner loop
    for i, (data, label) in enumerate(train data):
        data = data.as in context(model ctx)
        label = label.as in context(model ctx).reshape((-1, 1))
        with autograd.record():
            output = net(data)
            loss = mx.nd.mean((output - label) ** 2)
        loss.backward()
        for param in params:
            param[:] = param - lr * param.grad
        cumulative loss += loss.asscalar()
    print(cumulative loss / num batches)
```

nn Module – Life is much simpler

Essentially, replace simple dot product with this



num_hidden = 64
net = gluon.nn.Sequential()
with net.name_scope():
 net.add(gluon.nn.Dense(num_hidden, activation="relu"))
 net.add(gluon.nn.Dense(num_hidden, activation="relu"))
 net.add(gluon.nn.Dense(num_outputs))

trainer = gluon.Trainer(net.collect params(), 'adam', {'learning rate': .01, 'beta': 0.99})

Replace optimization step with advanced optimizer



```
with autograd.record():
    output = net(data)
    loss = softmax_cross_entropy(output, label)
loss.backward()
trainer.step(data.shape[0])
```

Blocks allow simplified abstractions for complicated architectures



CPUs vs GPUs



CPUs are optimized for latency GPUs for bandwidth

CPU can fetch small amount of memory really quickly – GPU can fetch large amounts of memory in the same time

The large number of cores in the GPU hide the latency issues by parallelizing the operations over a lot of threads

This is important for Deep Learning – since most of it is large matrix multiplications

CPUs vs GPUs



GPU - GTX 1080 Ti:

- 3584 Cuda Cores
- 10.6 FP32 TFLOPS
- 11GB Memory

Intel[®] Xeon[®] Processor E5-2630 v3:

- 8 Cores
- 20MB Cache

Source: jcjohnson (Github)

Some Theory

- A lot of what you hear as criticism of Deep Learning typically used to involve (and still does) that you don't have any guarantee of converging to a minimum
- <u>Ben Arous et al [2014]</u> show that this doesn't really matter
- Using higher order spherical spin-glass based results, they show that any deep rectified network has an enormous number of critical points
- Seems to show that the number of saddle points with fewer downward curving points are very large in number but all have the same value!



Regularization in Deep Learning

Different types of "conventional" regularization

L1 Regularization

- Quite similar to conventional modeling penalize the L1 Norm of the weights
- <u>Cortes et al [2016]</u>
- $R(f) \leq \widehat{R_{s,\rho}} + \frac{4}{\rho} \sum_{k=1}^{l} \left| |w_k| \right|_1 \mathbb{R}_m(\mathbb{H}_k) + K(\rho, m, l, d)$
- Seems to say penalize higher layers more than lower layers
- If you're overfitting typically it works better to have a wider first layer and penalize it heavily and thinner higher layers

β_2 $\hat{\beta}$ $\hat{\beta}_1$

βz

β₁

L2 Regularization

- Penalizes the L2-Norm of the weights
- Typically implemented as weight decay in many libraries
- Rewrites the objective as: $L'(X, \Omega, w) = L(X, \Omega, w) + \frac{\lambda}{2} ||w||^2$
- Taking derivatives: $\nabla L'(X, \Omega, w) = \nabla L + \lambda w$

$$w_{n+1} = w_n - \eta \nabla L'$$

$$w_{n+1} = w_n - \eta \nabla L - \eta \lambda w_n$$

$$w_{n+1} = (1 - \eta \lambda) w_n - \eta \nabla L$$

More interesting forms of regularization

• Implicit regularization:

• Early Stopping: During training, monitor the error on a validation set and stop when that error meets some criteria



More interesting forms of regularization

• Implicit regularization:

• Stochastic Gradient Descent: Recht et al [2015] use linear regression to hypothesize that the gradient descent finds good "margin" solutions

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{w} & (w^{T}x - y)^{2} \\ SGD \rightarrow \min_{s.t.} & ||w|| \\ s.t. & Xw = y \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{||w||} \text{ is the margin of the classifier}$$



Workhorses

• Dropout:



(a) Standard Neural Net



(b) After applying dropout.

For every single neuron (during training) – replace the output by

$$f(h) = D \quad \bullet \quad a(h)$$

Where D is a vector of Bernoulli i.i.d's with probability p of being zero

Masking effectively trains an ensemble of *weak learners* on different mini-batches

Approximate the geometric mean through scaling the weights by p during test time

Workhorses

• **Dropout as Bayesian Approximation**:





Stochastic forward passes through a pre-existing architecture

Theoretically produces reasonably calibrated uncertainty estimates for some problems

Practically – doesn't produce nearly enough noise

A simple experiment proves this quite effectively

Clever Hacks

• L1 Layer (Madeka et al [2017]):



Usually through the kitchen sink at a deep model and let it figure it all out for you (with regularization)

Doesn't really work, and typically makes the whole thing really slow

Another option is to penalize the L1 Norm of the weights for a single layer at the input stage with 1-1 connections with the inputs - $\hat{x_i} = w_i^1 x_i$

Loss Function - $L(w^1, w, x) + \lambda ||w^1||_1$

Clever Hacks

• L1 Layer (Madeka et al [2017]):



Most features have 0 weight

Can either do 2 phase learning (retraining without the L1 Layer and the removed features) or just feed O's to your model in the data iterator

Stops the overhead of a large amount of data

Improves performance by about $> 1.5\sigma$

A Quick Digression on Optimization

What do batch norm and the selu activation do?

They normalize the outputs of each layer to have mean 0 and variance 1!

The equations (for Batch Norm) are:

$$\widehat{x^k} = \frac{x^k - \mathbb{E}[x^k]}{\sqrt{Var[x^k]}}$$

Batch norms add a learnable shift and scale:

$$y^k = \gamma^k \widehat{x^k} + \beta^k$$






$$L(w) = \frac{1}{2}a(w - w^{*})^{2} + \mathbb{L}(w^{*})$$

$$\Longrightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbb{L}(w_0)}{\partial w} = a(w_0 - w^*)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \mathbb{L}(w)}{\partial w^2} = a = \frac{\frac{\partial \mathbb{L}(w_0)}{\partial w}}{w_0 - w^*}$$

$$\Rightarrow w^* = w_0 - \left(\frac{\partial^2 \mathbb{L}(w)}{\partial w^2}\right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbb{L}(w_0)}{\partial w}$$



$$\mathbb{L}(w) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \frac{1}{2} (y_i - w^T x_I)^2$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathbb{L}(w)}{\partial w} = -\frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} (y_i - w^T x_i) x_i$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathbb{L}(w)}{\partial w \partial w^T} = \frac{1}{p} X X^T$$

The second derivative is the covariance matrix of the input samples (decentered)



$$\mathbb{L}(w) = \mathbb{L}(w^{*}) + \frac{1}{2}(w - w^{*})^{T}H(w - w^{*})$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{L}(w) = \mathbb{L}(w^{*}) + \frac{1}{2}(w - w^{*})^{T}M^{T}\Lambda M(w - w^{*})$$

$$\rightarrow L(u) = L(u^{*}) + \frac{1}{2}(u - u^{*})^{T}\Lambda(u - u^{*}) [where \ U = MW]$$

U is the coordinates of w in the eigenspace of H



Gradient

$$U_{t+1} = U_t + \frac{1}{2}\Lambda^{-1}\Lambda(U_t - U^*)$$

$$\rightarrow U_{t+1} = U^*$$

$$U_{t+1} = U_t - \Lambda^{-1}(\frac{\partial \mathbb{L}}{\partial U})$$



When H is diagonal, principal axes are aligned with the frame of reference.

 $H = \lambda I$

Some tricks

A few things to keep in mind when you actually train networks:

- Shuffle the batches so successive batches are very rarely homogeneous
- Present input examples that have large error more often than ones that have small error
- Normalize inputs so that the hessian behaves well, if you can try to whiten them



Convolutional Neural Networks

What are ConvNets?

- Patterns in images tend to be compositional very much locally correlated but not so much for far away pixels
- We can build this into our network architecture for images
- The idea of replicating a detector on the entire visual field is the same idea as replicating a detector in time

Visual Architectures



Convolutional Kernels

Input Volume (+pad 1) (7x7x3) Filter W0 (3x3x3)								(3x3)				
x[:	x[:,:,0]							w0[:,:,0]				
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	/	-1	0	0		
0	0	0	1	0	0	0		0	0	0		
0	2	0	2	1	2	0		-1	0	1		
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x[:	x[:.:.2]											
0	0	0	0	0	0	9		/				
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0	1	2	1	ø	1	0	/					
0	2	1	0	2	1	0						
0	0	0	0	0	0	0						

Filter W1 (3x3x3)				Output Volume (3x3x2)					
0	1	-1	1	2	2	0			
0	-1	1		1	-1	-1			
-1	-1	0		3	3	3			
w1[:	w1[:,:,1]			0[:,:,1]					
0	1	1		-1	1	-3			
0	1	1		9	8	-1			
0	0	1		4	3	1			
w1[:	.,:	,2]						
0	0	0							
1	-1	1							
0	-1	0							
Bias b1[0	b1(1x1 ,0	x1)]						
toggle movement									

 s_1 s_2 s_3 Strided convolution x_5 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_1 s_2 s_3 s_1 Downsampling z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5 Convolution x_5 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_1

- Parameter sharing greatly reduces number of free parameters
- Don't really see CV tasks without ConvNets

Pooling Layers





- Subsampling layer that builds local invariances into the structure
- Backpropagation typically passes a gradient of 1 to the cell where the max occurred and 0 everywhere else
- You see less and less of it we do not want the neural activities to be invariant to the view point we want them to be changed by the change in viewpoint
- Fail to use an underlying linear manifold where the variance of the image lies

(b) Illustration of average pooling drawback

digit express of the pooling process

after average pooling.

input feature map

A little history - ImageNet

• ImageNet [Fei-Fei Li et al 2014] – 1.5 million images, 1000 Categories



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Female Mammal

Anthropod

Young bird



ImageNet

ILSVRC top-5 error on ImageNet



Post AlexNet – almost all major ImageNet submissions have been ConvNets.

AlexNet was the first fast large scale GPU implementation of ConvNets

Deeper networks, longer training cut the errors by another factor (2014) of 2

VGGNet (from Oxford) showed that actually you want smaller kernels but many nonlinearities

num_fc = 512 net = gluon.nn.Sequential() with net.name_scope(): net.add(gluon.nn.Conv2D(channels=20, kernel_size=5, activation='relu')) net.add(gluon.nn.MaxPool2D(pool_size=2, strides=2)) net.add(gluon.nn.Conv2D(channels=50, kernel_size=5, activation='relu')) net.add(gluon.nn.MaxPool2D(pool_size=2, strides=2)) # The Flatten layer collapses all axis, except the first one, into one axis. net.add(gluon.nn.Flatten()) net.add(gluon.nn.Dense(num_fc, activation="relu")) net.add(gluon.nn.Dense(num_outputs)) ResNet



Advantages of Depth

Model	Number of free parameters	ImageNet Top 5
AlexNet	60M	83.4%
VGG	138M	92.7%
GoogLeNet	11M	93.3%
ResNet-50	25.6M	93.3%
ResNet-152	60.2M	96.43%



What do ConvNets really learn?



Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]

Source: LeCun (2016)

What do ConvNets really learn?



TSNE for MNist



Recurrent Neural Networks

What do we need to learn a function?

- Imagine if we want a function that counts the number of non-zero's in a vector (x₁,..., x_N)
- Ingredients:
 - Memory s <- counts number of positive elements
 - Function `func` applied to each element one at a time updates the memory
- A computer takes each element of a sequence of instructions and manipulates the registry
- Registry is the memory, cpu instruction is the function

s = 0def func(v, s): **if** v <= 0: return s else: return s+1 for i in x: s = func(i, s)

Recurrent Neural Networks

- Parametric recursive function
- Has a memory h
- Applies a function g to each element of an input x_i

$$h_t = f(x_t, h_{t-1})$$

$$f(x_t, h_{t-1}) = g(Wx_t + Uh_{t-1})$$

• BPTT: $c(x) \coloneqq g(f_1(x), \dots, f_N(x))$ $\frac{\partial c}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial g} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x}$



RNN's for Sequence Modelling



The Unreasonable Effectiveness of RNNs

For $\bigoplus_{n=1,\ldots,m}$ where $\mathcal{L}_{m_{\bullet}} = 0$, hence we can find a closed subset \mathcal{H} in \mathcal{H} and any sets \mathcal{F} on X, U is a closed immersion of S, then $U \to T$ is a separated algebraic space.

Proof. Proof of (1). It also start we get

 $S = \operatorname{Spec}(R) = U \times_X U \times_X U$

and the comparicoly in the fibre product covering we have to prove the lemma generated by $\coprod Z \times_U U \to V$. Consider the maps M along the set of points Sch_{fppf} and $U \to U$ is the fibre category of S in U in Section, ?? and the fact that any U affine, see Morphisms, Lemma ??. Hence we obtain a scheme S and any open subset $W \subset U$ in Sh(G) such that $Spec(R') \to S$ is smooth or an

 $U = \bigcup U_i \times_{S_i} U_i$

which has a nonzero morphism we may assume that f_i is of finite presentation over S. We claim that $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ is a scheme where $x, x', s'' \in S'$ such that $\mathcal{O}_{X,x'} \to \mathcal{O}'_{X',x'}$ is separated. By Algebra, Lemma ?? we can define a map of complexes $\operatorname{GL}_{S'}(x'/S'')$ and we win.

To prove study we see that $\mathcal{F}|_{U}$ is a covering of \mathcal{X}' , and \mathcal{T}_i is an object of $\mathcal{F}_{X/S}$ for i > 0 and \mathcal{F}_p exists and let \mathcal{F}_i be a presheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -modules on \mathcal{C} as a \mathcal{F} -module. In particular $\mathcal{F} = U/\mathcal{F}$ we have to show that

 $\widetilde{M}^{\bullet} = \mathcal{I}^{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathrm{Spec}(k)} \mathcal{O}_{S,s} - i_X^{-1} \mathcal{F})$

is a unique morphism of algebraic stacks. Note that

 $Arrows = (Sch/S)_{fppf}^{opp}, (Sch/S)_{fppf}$

and

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V = \Gamma(S, \mathcal{O}) \longmapsto (U, \operatorname{Spec}(A))
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is an open subset of X. Thus U is affine. This is a continuous map of X is the inverse, the groupoid scheme S.

Proof. See discussion of sheaves of sets.

The result for prove any open covering follows from the less of Example ??. It may replace S by $X_{spaces, \acute{e}tale}$ which gives an open subspace of X and T equal to S_{Zar} , see Descent, Lemma ??. Namely, by Lemma ?? we see that R is geometrically regular over S.

def forward(self, inputs, hidden): emb = self.drop(self.encoder(inputs)) output, hidden = self.rnn(emb, hidden) output = self.drop(output) decoded = self.decoder(output.reshape((-1, self.num_hidden))) return decoded, hidden



Vision Language Deep CNN Generating RNN A group of people shopping at an outdoor market.

There are many vegetables at the fruit stand.

(Vinyals, et al. (2014))

Lemma 0.1. Assume (3) and (3) by the construction in the description.

Suppose $X = \lim |X|$ (by the formal open covering X and a single map $\underline{Proj}_X(\mathcal{A}) = \operatorname{Spec}(B)$ over U compatible with the complex

 $Set(\mathcal{A}) = \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_{X, \mathcal{O}_X}).$

When in this case of to show that $\mathcal{Q} \to C_{Z/X}$ is stable under the following result in the second conditions of (1), and (3). This finishes the proof. By Definition ?? (without element is when the closed subschemes are catenary. If T is surjective we may assume that T is connected with residue fields of S. Moreover there exists a closed subspace $Z \subset X$ of X where U in X' is proper (some defining as a closed subset of the uniqueness it suffices to check the fact that the following theorem

(1) f is locally of finite type. Since S = Spec(R) and Y = Spec(R).

Proof. This is form all sheaves of sheaves on X. But given a scheme U and a surjective étale morphism $U \to X$. Let $U \cap U = \coprod_{i=1,...,n} U_i$ be the scheme X over S at the schemes $X_i \to X$ and $U = \lim_i X_i$. \Box The following lemma surjective restrocomposes of this implies that $\mathcal{F}_{x_0} = \mathcal{F}_{x_0} = \mathcal{F}_{X,...,0}$.

Lemma 0.2. Let X be a locally Noetherian scheme over S, $E = \mathcal{F}_{X/S}$. Set $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{J}_1 \subset \mathcal{I}'_n$. Since $\mathcal{I}^n \subset \mathcal{I}^n$ are nonzero over $i_0 \leq \mathfrak{p}$ is a subset of $\mathcal{J}_{n,0} \circ \overline{A}_2$ works.

Lemma 0.3. In Situation ??. Hence we may assume q' = 0.

Proof. We will use the property we see that \mathfrak{p} is the mext functor (??). On the other hand, by Lemma ?? we see that

 $D(\mathcal{O}_{X'}) = \mathcal{O}_X(D)$

where K is an F-algebra where δ_{n+1} is a scheme over S

Does this actually work?

- You never see Vanilla RNN's just like you rarely ever see MLP's in practice
- Hyper difficult to train you update the entire "memory"/"registry" h for every single time step
- A real CPU only updates part of the registry at each time step:

$$h_t = (1-u) \odot h_{t-1} + u \odot \tilde{h_t}$$

• A real CPU rarely ever reads all the values of the registry:

$$\widetilde{h_t} = f(x_t, r \odot h_{t-1}) = g(Wx_t + U(r \odot h_{t-1}))$$

Does this actually work?

- Here's where our analogy should end
- *u*, *r* cannot be binary for a network it would create discontinuous functions. We make them real:
 - r computes how much of the previous hidden state should be used
 - u computes how much of the memory state is replaced
- In a typical CPU how much of the registry is used and how much is replaced is hard coded for every operation. In our case, we'd like to learn it

$$r = g(W^r x_t + U^r h_{t-1})$$
$$u = g(W^u x_t + U^u h_{t-1})$$

This Is the famed Gated Recurrent Unit. A simple memory cell that often outperforms its more famous and complex ancestor – the LSTM

Long-Short Term Memory Networks

- Explicitly separates output h and memory c
- Output gates control how much memory is revealed:

$$o = \sigma(W_o x_t + U_o h_{t-1})$$

$$h_t = o \odot \tanh(c_t)$$

• Memory update resembles GRU:

$$c_t = f \odot c_{t-1} + i \odot \tilde{c_t}$$

- f, t are exactly like the update/reset gates
- The candidate memory state $\widetilde{c_t}$ is computed the same way as $\widetilde{h_t}$ for the GRU

Why is it so hard to train RNN's?

• g(a) = a simplest unbounded element wise non-linearity

$$h_{t} = Wx_{t} + Uh_{t-1}$$

$$h_{t} = Wx_{t} + U(Wx_{t-1} + U(Wx_{t-2} + U \dots))$$

$$h_{t} = Wx_{t} + UUWx_{t-1} + \cdots$$

$$h_{t} = \sum_{i=1}^{l} \left(\prod_{l=1}^{l-t} U\right) Wx_{i}$$

• Doesn't look nice does it?

Why is it so hard to train RNN's?

$$\prod_{l'}^{l-t} U = QS^{l-t}Q^{-1}$$

$$\left(\prod_{l'}^{l-t} U\right)Wx_i = \operatorname{diag}(S^{l-t}) \odot Wx_i$$

$$e_{max} = \max \operatorname{diag}(S) > 1 \Longrightarrow ||h_t|| \Longrightarrow \infty$$

Rectifiers don't work!

What happens if we use a saturated non-linearity?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial h_{l1}}{\partial x_{t_0+1}} &= \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_0+1)}} \frac{\partial h_{t_0+1}}{\partial x_{(t_0+1)}} \\ \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_0+1)}} &= \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-1)}} \frac{\partial h_{t_1-1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-2)}} \frac{\partial h_{t_1-2}}{\partial h_{(t_1-3)}} \dots \\ \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-1)}} &= U \\ \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_0+1)}} &= U^{l_1-l_0+1} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-1)}} = U$$

$$\frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-1)}} = U^{l_1-l_0+1}$$

$$\tilde{\nabla} = \begin{cases} \tau \frac{\nabla}{||\nabla||} & if ||\nabla|| > \tau \\ \nabla & \nabla \end{cases}$$

Exploding Gradients are easy to solve:

Clip!

GRUs and LSTMs fix the vanishing gradient problem

• We had:
$$\frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_0+1)}} = \frac{\partial h_{t1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-1)}} \frac{\partial h_{t_1-1}}{\partial h_{(t_1-2)}} \frac{\partial h_{t_1-2}}{\partial h_{(t_1-3)}} \dots$$

• With the GRU, we have:

$$\frac{\partial h_t}{\partial h_{t-1}} = 1 - u + (u) \frac{\partial h'}{\partial h_{t-1}}$$
$$= 1 (if \ u = 0)$$

• Essentially a skip connection if the update gate is shut

Neural Language Model



Source: Bengio et al [2003]

Are the word embeddings magic?



Mikolov et al shocked the world a little bit when the representations they learned

Seq2Seq Models



Source: Sutskever et al [2014]


Generative Models



Source: Goodfellow (2016)

Variational Autoencoders



Make approximate posterior distribution close to prior

ELBO $\log p_{\theta}(x_i) \ge \mathbb{E}[\log p_{\theta}(x_i|z)] - D_{KL}(q_{\theta}(z|x_i)||p_{\theta}(z))$

Reconstruct the input data

Variational Autoencoders



Source: Karpathy (2015)

Generative Adversarial Networks



Source: LeCun (2016)

Generative Adversarial Networks

 $\min_{G} \max_{D} V(D,G) = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}(\boldsymbol{x})}[\log D(\boldsymbol{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{z} \sim p_{\boldsymbol{z}}(\boldsymbol{z})}[\log(1 - D(G(\boldsymbol{z})))].$



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• Let's try to learn a Brownian Motion



RNN's tend to be very unstable

DCGAN on the other hand – works like a charm



Move Based RNN's



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Helping the discriminator focus on what's relevant

The move from JS to WGAN has the focus on making the discriminator Lipschitz.

Spectral Normalization works for Convs/MLPs but for RNNs the notion of Lipschitz is not even clearly defined

A Financial Example

Can supervised learning learn an entire density?

• Sure! Make your loss function optimize for a quantile (or all of them)!







Little pictures





P90 Quantile Loss



Can supervised learning learn an entire density?

• For VaR use P99 quantile loss:



Penalize underpredictions 99 times more than overpredictions!

Can supervised learning learn an entire density?

• Quantile Loss:
$$QL_{\alpha}(x, y) = \alpha * (y - x)^{+} + (1 - \alpha) * (x - y)^{+}$$

- Penalize over or underpredictions more depending on which quantile you'd like to predict!
- Better way to predict VaR no distributional assumptions to show that P_{α} minimizes the quantile loss
- Works surprisingly well with NN's/RNN's if you predict each T_1/T_2 individually! (Wen et al NIPS 2017)

Don't forget to teach your network to look for additional volatility

• Distance to earnings:



Finally, make sure you add Future Information

• Targeted input alignment:



- MLP(SNN! Typically, 2-4 Epoch convergence)
- ConvLSTM/GRU
- Dropout to prevent overfitting in RNN's
- If you want to throw the kitchen sink of data, make sure to do Feature Selection (correctly):



Architecture















Conclusion

- That was a lot
- Deep Methods are very promising
- Building constraints is not that hard you just need a good regularizer
- Things I didn't cover which are super cool:
 - Localization/Detection
 - Attention
 - Recommender Systems
 - Deep Reinforcement Learning
 - 1000 other things