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Convolutional Neural Networks II

CS6384 Computer Vision

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Midterm Exam

Date and Time: 03/06/25 **(Thursday) 11:30am-12:45pm (75 mins)**

Location: **TI Auditorium, ECSS 2.102**

Topics: first **12** lectures

Question Types: multi-choice, short answer, and long answer questions

Policy

- **Closed-book test**. But you are allowed **one A4 page (single page)** of handwritten notes
- No calculators, cell phones, or any kind of internet connection are allowed
- Talking and discussion are prohibited
- Please space yourselves so that students are evenly distributed throughout the room. There should be no one directly next to you

Supervised Learning

$\mathbf{x}$

Image

$\mathbf{y}$

Object class

$$f(\mathbf{x})$$

Training Data $\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i\}_{i=1}^{N}$

Input

Output

Convolutional Neural Networks

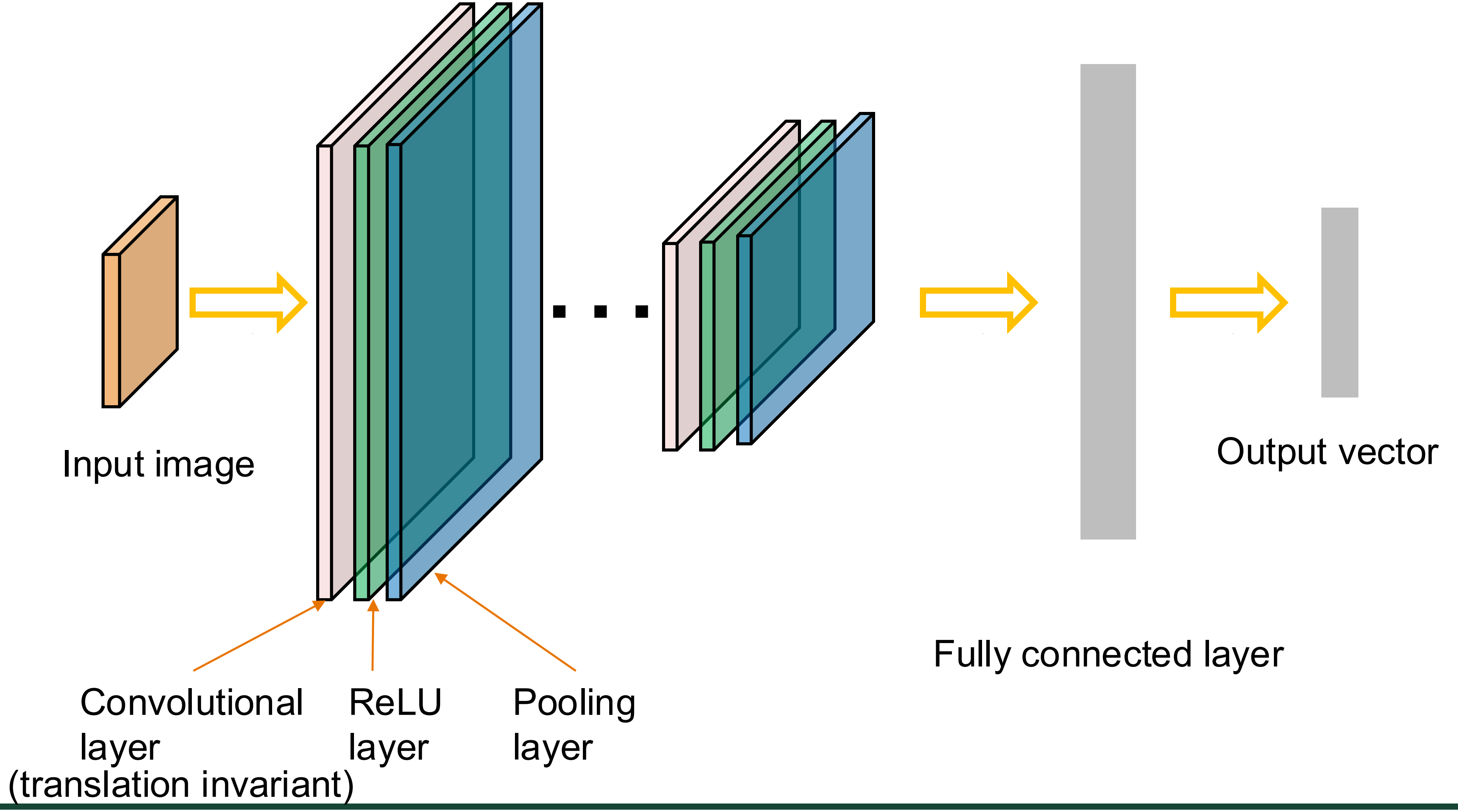


Image Classification

ImageNet dataset

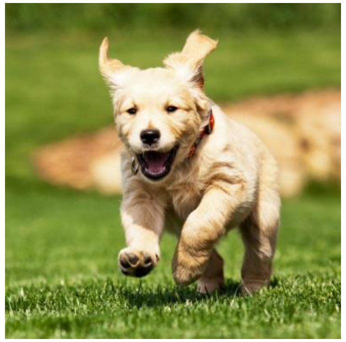
- Training: 1.2 million images
- Testing and validation: 150,000 images
- 1000 categories

n02119789: kit fox, Vulpes macrotis
n02100735: English setter
n02096294: Australian terrier
n02066245: grey whale, gray whale, devilfish, Eschrichtius gibbosus, Eschrichtius robustus
n02509815: lesser panda, red panda, panda, bear cat, cat bear, Ailurus fulgens
n02124075: Egyptian cat
n02417914: ibex, Capra ibex
n02123394: Persian cat
n02125311: cougar, puma, catamount, mountain lion, painter, panther, Felis concolor
n02423022: gazelle

https://image-net.org/challenges/LSVRC/2012/index.php

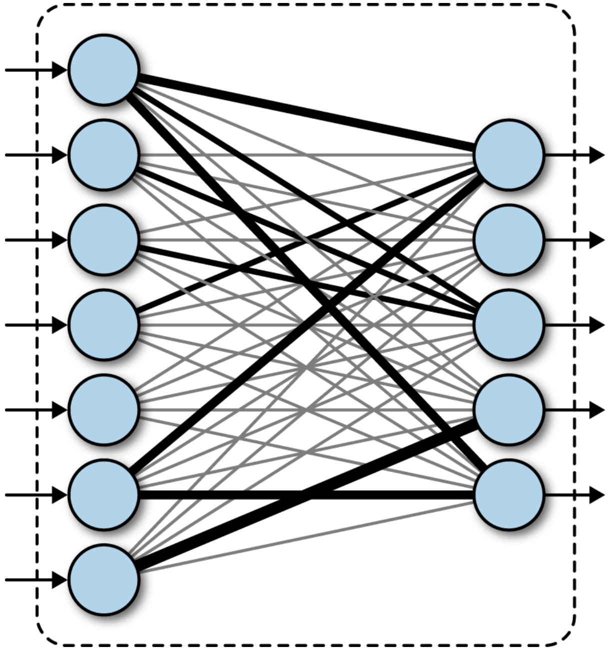
Image Classification

Let's consider only using one FC layer



$224 \times 224 \times 3$

$W : m \times n$



$x : n \times 1$ $y : m \times 1$

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$$\mathbf{y} = W\mathbf{x}$$

$\sigma(\mathbf{y})$ Probability distribution

Softmax function

$$\sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = \frac{e^{y_i}}{\sum_j^m e^{y_i}}$$

Image Classification

Training data $\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i\}_{i=1}^{N}$

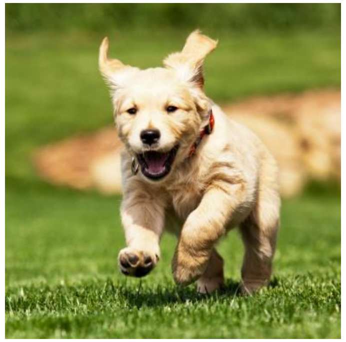
Image label

One-hot vector: if an object in k-th class exists in the image, its label will be encoded as [0, 0, 0, …, 1, …, 0, 0, 0], where only k-th element in the vector is 1

$$\mathbf{y}_i = 000\ldots1\ldots000$$

Ground truth category

Image Classification



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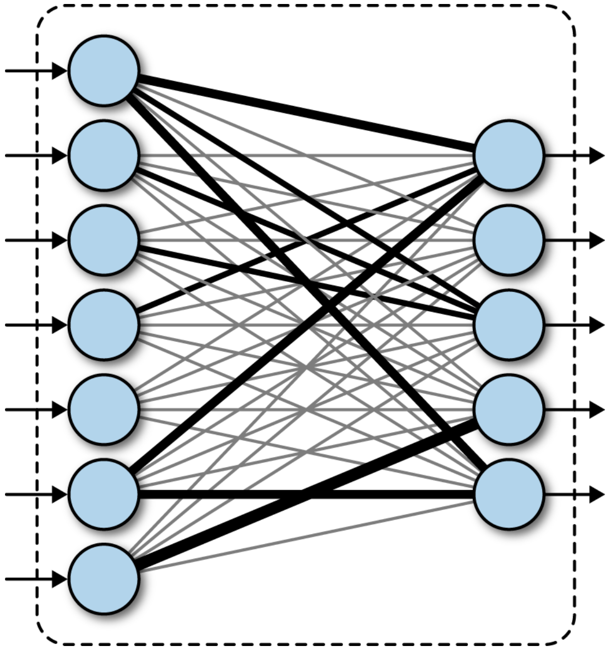

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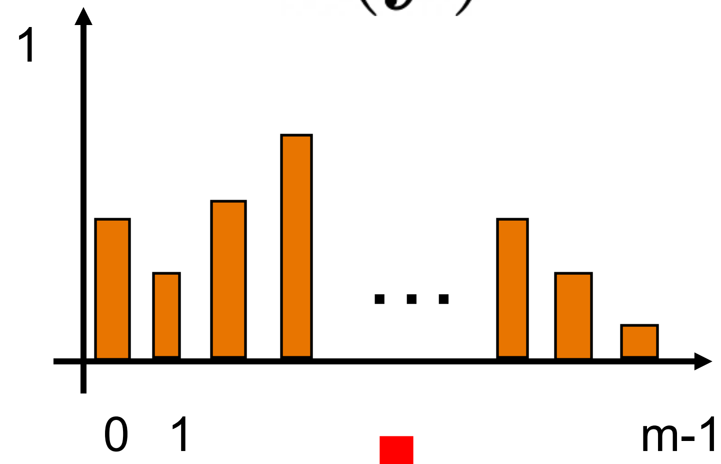
$$\mathbf{y} = W\mathbf{x}$$

$\sigma(\mathbf{y})$



The goal of training

Ground truth

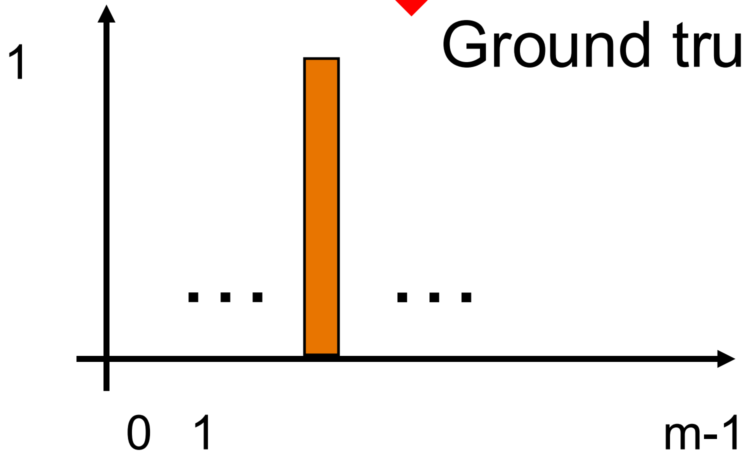


Image Classification

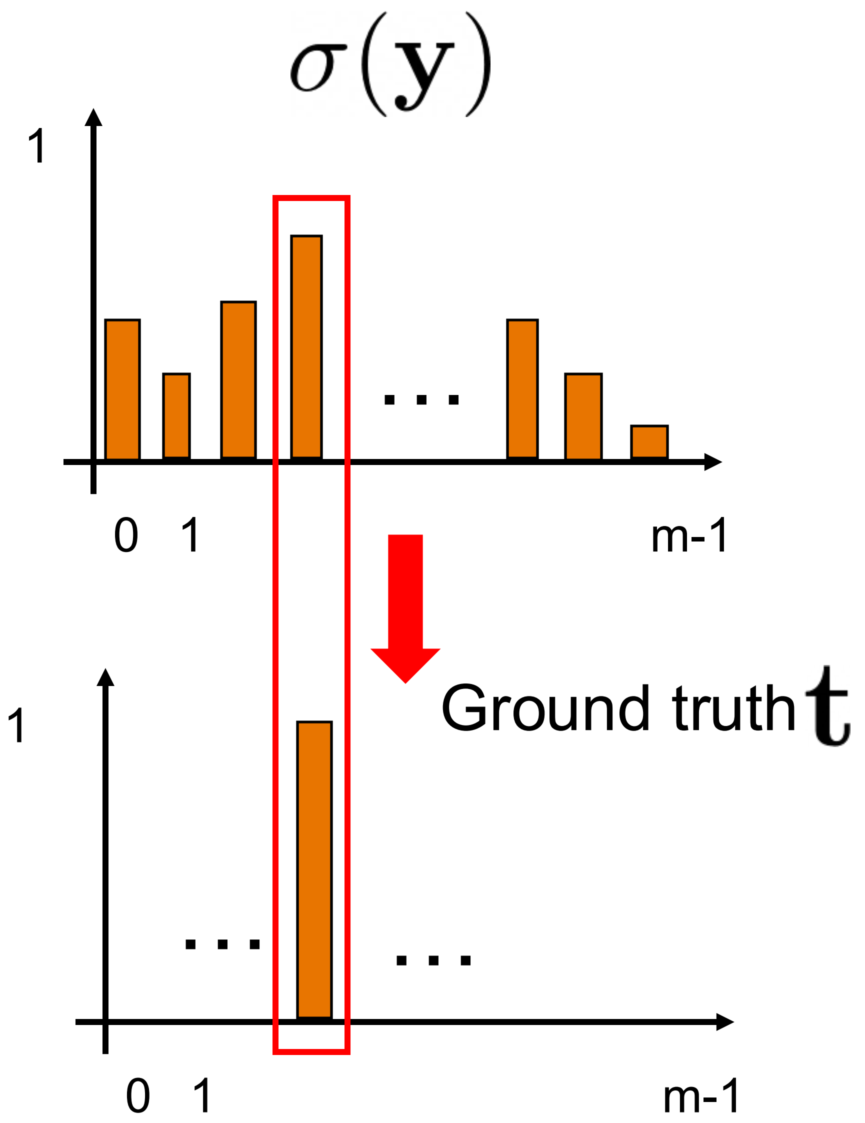
Cross entropy loss function

Cross entropy between two distributions
(measure distance between distributions)

$$H(p,q) = -\operatorname{E}_p[\log q]$$

$$H(p,q) = -\sum_{x\in\mathcal{X}} p(x)\, \log q(x)$$

$$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i$$



Input pixels, $\mathbf{x}$

Forward propagation →

Shape: (3, 32, 32)

Feedforward output, $\mathbf{y}_i$

cat	dog	horse
5	4	2
4	2	8
4	4	1

Shape: (3,)

Softmax function →

Softmax output, $\sigma(\mathbf{y})_i$

cat	dog	horse
0.71	0.26	0.04
0.02	0.00	0.98
0.49	0.49	0.02

Shape: (3,)

https://ljvmiranda921.github.io/notebook/2017/08/13/softmax-and-the-negative-log-likelihood/

Training

Cross entropy loss function

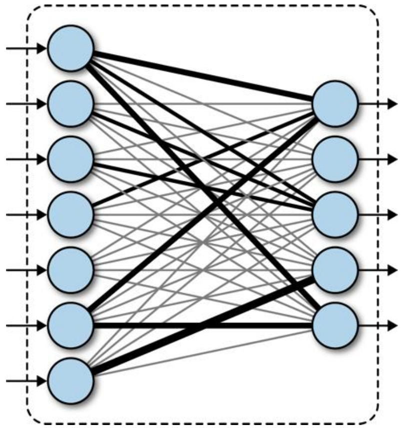
$$\mathbf{y} = W\mathbf{x}$$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = \frac{e^{y_i}}{\sum_j^m e^{y_i}}$$

Minimize $$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i$$

With respect to weights W

W

$\mathbf{x}$  $\mathbf{y} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{y}) \longrightarrow L_{CE}$

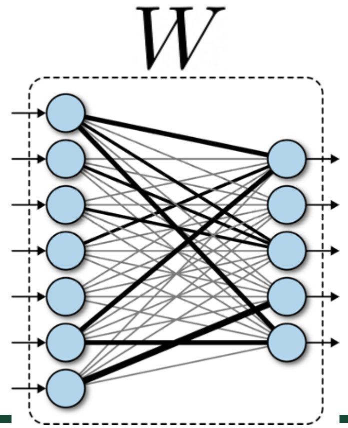
Training

Gradient descent $$W \leftarrow W - \gamma \frac{\partial L}{\partial W}$$

Learning rate

Chain rule $$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial W}$$

$\mathbf{x}$



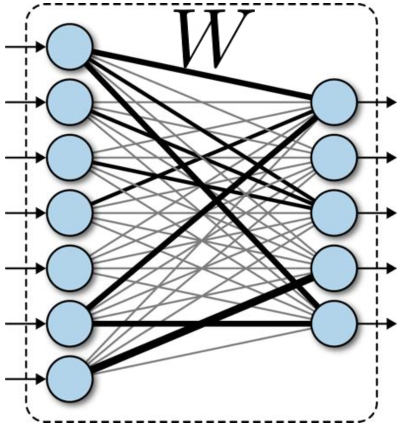
$$\mathbf{y} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{y}) \longrightarrow L_{CE}$$

Training

Gradient descent

$$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = -\mathbf{t} \cdot \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})$$

$\mathbf{x}$



$$\mathbf{y} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{y}) \longrightarrow L_{CE}$$

How to compute gradient? $\dfrac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dfrac{\partial L}{y_1} & \dfrac{\partial L}{y_2} & \dots & \dfrac{\partial L}{y_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$1 \times m$$

Training

$$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = -\mathbf{t} \cdot \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = \frac{e^{y_i}}{\sum_j^m e^{y_i}}$$

Chain rule

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{y}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} \cdot \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$$

$1 \times m \qquad 1 \times m \qquad m \times m$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \nabla f_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \cdots \\ \nabla f_m(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} f_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} f_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \cdots \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} f_m(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f_1(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} f_1(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f_2(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} f_2(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ & & \dots & \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f_m(\mathbf{x}) & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} f_m(\mathbf{x}) & \dots & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f_m(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Jacobian matrix

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} = -\mathbf{t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma(\mathbf{y})}$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i}{\partial y_j} = \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i(\delta_{ij} - \sigma(\mathbf{y})_j) \qquad \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

https://eli.thegreenplace.net/2016/the-softmax-function-and-its-derivative/

Training

Gradient descent

$$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i = -\mathbf{t} \cdot \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = W\mathbf{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial W}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} = -\mathbf{t} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma(\mathbf{y})}$$

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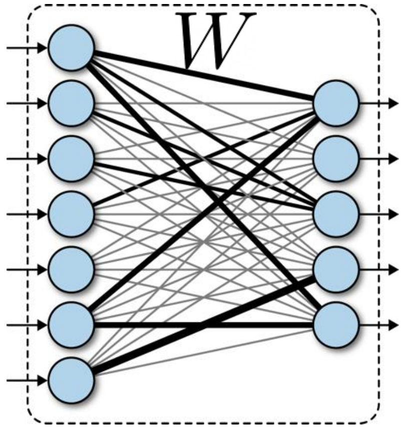
$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial W_{jk}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ x_k & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$W \leftarrow W - \gamma \frac{\partial L}{\partial W}$$

Learning rate

Back-propagation

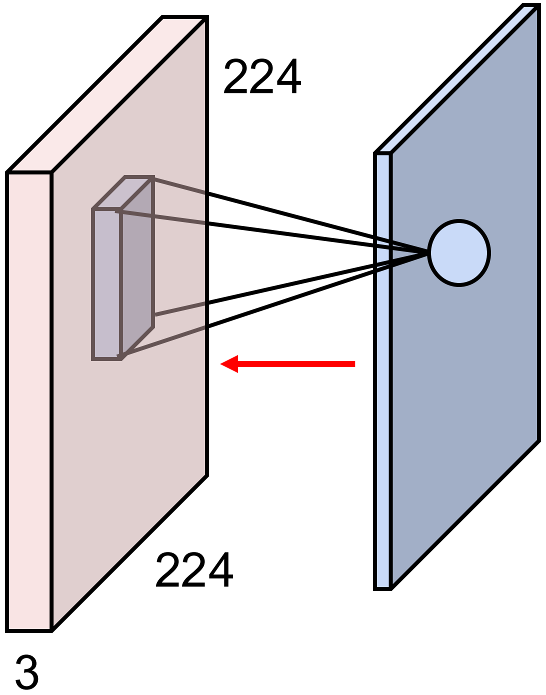


$$\mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{y} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{y}) \longrightarrow L$$

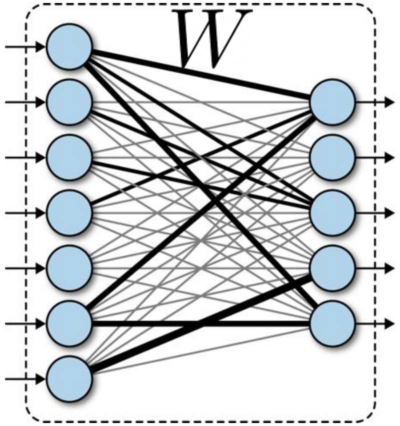
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial W} \qquad \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \qquad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial W}$$

Back-propagation



$$\mathbf{x}$$



$$\mathbf{y} \longrightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{y}) \longrightarrow L$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{x} + b$$

Conv filter

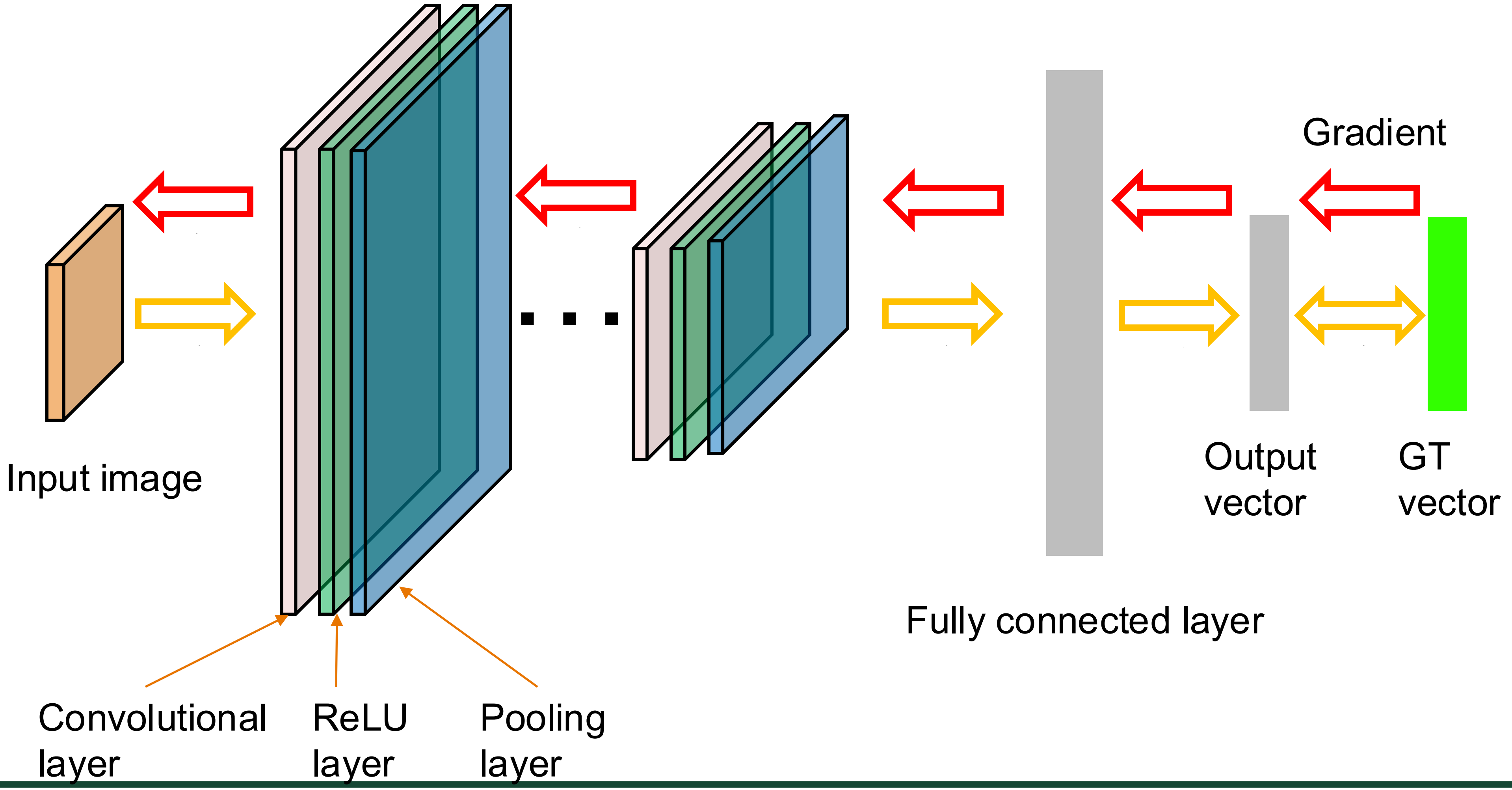
Bias

Simplified convolution computation

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{x}^T \qquad \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial b} = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \sum_i \frac{\partial L}{\partial f(\mathbf{x}_i)} \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x}_i)}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$

Training: back-propagate errors



Back-propagation

For each layer in the network, compute local gradients (partial derivative)

- Fully connected layers
- Convolution layers
- Activation functions
- Pooling functions
- Etc.

Use chain rule to combine local gradients for training

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})} \frac{\partial \sigma(\mathbf{y})}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial W}$$

Classification Loss Functions

Cross entropy loss

$$L_{CE} = -\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} t_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{y})_i$$

Binary ground truth label

Logit

Hinge loss for binary classification

$$L = \max(0, 1 - t \cdot y)$$

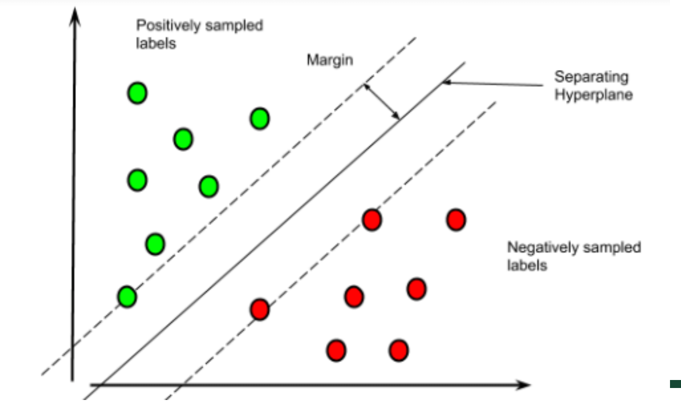
Classification score

ground truth label $t \in \{-1, +1\}$

$y \geq 0$ Predict positive

$y < 0$ Predict negative

Max margin classification



Classification Loss Functions

Hinge loss for multi-class classification

$$\ell(y) = \max(0, 1 + \max_{y \neq t} \mathbf{w}_y \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{w}_t \mathbf{x})$$

margin

Score corresponds to the most wrong label

Score corresponds to the ground truth label

https://torchmetrics.readthedocs.io/en/stable/classification/hinge_loss.html

Regression Loss Functions

Mean Absolute Loss or L1 loss

$$L_1(x) = |x|$$

$$f(y, \hat{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$

Mean Square Loss or L2 loss

$$L_2(x) = x^2$$

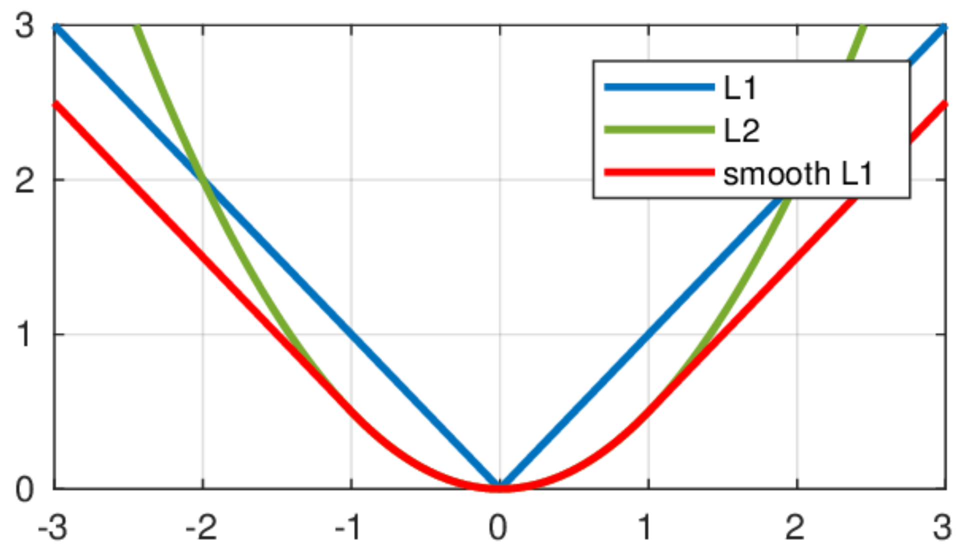
$$f(y, \hat{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Regression Loss Functions

Smooth L1 loss

$$\text{smooth } \mathrm{L}_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0.5x^2 & if|x| < 1 \\ |x| - 0.5 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

$$f(y, \hat{y}) = \begin{cases} 0.5(y - \hat{y})^2 & \text{if } |y - \hat{y}| < 1 \\ |y - \hat{y}| - 0.5 & otherwise \end{cases}$$



https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/generated/torch.nn.SmoothL1Loss.html

Optimization

Gradient descent

- Gradient direction: steepest direction to increase the objective
- Can only find local minimum
- Widely used for neural network training (works in practice)
- Compute gradient with a mini-batch (Stochastic Gradient Descent, SGD)

$$W \leftarrow W - \underbrace{\gamma}_{\text{Learning rate}} \frac{\partial L}{\partial W}$$

Optimization

Gradient descent with momentum

- Add a fraction of the update vector from previous time step (momentum)
- Accelerated SGD, reduced oscillation

Image 2: SGD without momentum

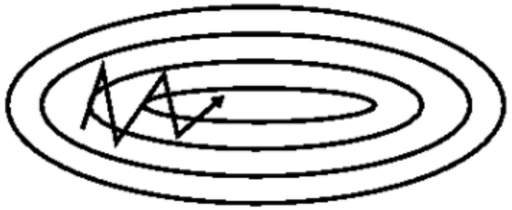


Image 3: SGD with momentum

https://ruder.io/optimizing-gradient-descent/

momentum   Learning rate

$$v_t = \gamma v_{t-1} + \eta \nabla_\theta J(\theta)$$
$$\theta = \theta - v_t$$

Optimization

Adam: Adaptive Moment Estimation

1. Exponentially decaying average of gradients and squared gradients

$$m_t = \beta_1 m_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_1) g_t$$
$$v_t = \beta_2 v_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_2) g_t^2$$

$$\beta_1 = 0.9, \ \beta_2 = 0.999$$

Start m and v from 0s

2. Bias-corrected 1st and 2nd moment estimates

$$\hat{m}_t = \frac{m_t}{1 - \beta_1^t} \qquad \hat{v}_t = \frac{v_t}{1 - \beta_2^t}$$

3. Updating rule

Learning rate

$$\theta_{t+1} = \theta_t - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{\hat{v}_t} + \epsilon} \hat{m}_t$$

$$\epsilon = 10^{-8}$$

Adaptive learning rate

Further Reading

Stanford CS231n, lecture 3 and lecture 4, http://cs231n.stanford.edu/schedule.html

Deep learning with PyTorch https://pytorch.org/tutorials/beginner/deep_learning_60min_blitz.html

Matrix Calculus: https://explained.ai/matrix-calculus/