# Language and Vision

#### EECS 442 – Prof. David Fouhey Winter 2019, University of Michigan

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#### Administrivia

- Last class!
- Poster session later today
- Turn in project reports anytime up *until Sunday*. We'll try to grade them as they come in.
- Fill out course feedback forms if you haven't already
- Enjoy your summers. Remember to relax (for everyone) and celebrate (for those graduating)

#### **Project Reports**

- Look at the syllabus for roughly what we're looking for. Make sure you cover everything.
- Pictures (take up space and are really important): *half my papers are pictures*
- Copy/paste your proposal and progress report in, smoothen the text, add a few results.

#### Quick – what's this?



Dog image credit: T. Gupta



 $\boldsymbol{\chi_i}$ 

scoring functions, one per class

where jth component is "score" for jth class.

#### Previously on EECS 442

Converting Scores to "Probability Distribution"



Generally P(class j): 
$$\frac{\exp((Wx)_j)}{\sum_k \exp((Wx)_k)}$$

#### What's a Big Issue?



#### Is it a dog? Is it a hat?



#### Take 2

#### Converting Scores to "Probability Distribution"





77% dog71% hat13% cat?

#### Hmm...

- We'd like to say: "dog with a hat" or "husky wearing a hat" or something else.
- Naïve approach (given N words to choose from and up to C words). How many?
- $\sum_{i=1}^{C} N^{i}$  classes to choose from (~N<sup>i</sup>)
- N=10k, C=5 -> 100 billion billion
- Can't train 100 billion billion classifiers

#### Hmm...

- Pick N-word dictionary, call them class 1, ..., N
- New goal: emit sequence of C N-way classification outputs
- Dictionary could be:
  - All the words that appear in training set
  - All the ascii characters
  - Typically includes special "words": START, END, UNK

#### **Option 1 – Sequence Modeling**



Output at i is linear transformation of hidden state  $y_i = W_{yh} h_i$ 

Hidden state at i is linear function of previous hidden state and input at i, + nonlinearity

 $h_i = \sigma(W_{hx}x_i + W_{hh}h_{i-1})$ 

#### **Option 1 – Sequence Modeling**



Can stack arbitrarily to create a function of multiple inputs with multiple outputs that's in terms of parameters  $W_{HX}$ ,  $W_{HH}$ ,  $W_{YH}$ 

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## Option 1 – Sequence Modeling

У<sub>i+1</sub>

h<sub>i+1</sub>

 $X_{i+1}$ 

ΗX

y<sub>i</sub>

h<sub>i</sub>

Xi

HH

h<sub>i-1</sub>

Can define a loss with respect to each output and differentiate wrt to all the weights

Backpropagation through time

 $y_i = W_{yh} h_i$ 

 $h_i = \sigma(W_{hx}x_i + W_{hh}h_{i-1})$ 



#### Captioning

Each step: look at input and hidden state (more on that in a second) and decide output. Can learn through CNN!







A female tennis player in action on the court.

#### Results



A group of young men playing a game of soccer



A man riding a wave on top of a surfboard.



A baseball game in progress with the batter up to plate.



A brown bear standing on top of a lush green field.



A person holding a cell phone in their hand.

Long-term Recurrent Convolutional Networks for Visual Recognition and Description. Donahue et al. TPAMI, CVPR 2015.



A close up of a person brushing his teeth.

#### Results



A woman laying on a bed in a bed-room.



A black and white cat is sitting on a chair.



A large clock mounted to the side of a building.



A bunch of fruit that are sitting on a table.



A toothbrush holder sitting on top of a white sink.

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#### Captioning – Looking at Each Step

#### Why might this be better than doing billions of classification problems?





#### What Goes On Inside?

- Great repo for playing with RNNs (Char-RNN)
- <u>https://github.com/karpathy/char-rnn</u>
- (Or search char-rnn numpy)
- Tokens are just the characters that appear in the training set

#### Sample Trained on Linux Code

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/*
* If this error is set, we will need anything right after that BSD.
*/
static void action new function(struct s stat info *wb)
{
 unsigned long flags;
  int lel idx bit = e->edd, *sys & ~((unsigned long) *FIRST COMPAT);
 buf[0] = 0xFFFFFFF & (bit << 4);</pre>
 min(inc, slist->bytes);
 printk(KERN WARNING "Memory allocated %02x/%02x, "
    "original MLL instead\n"),
   min(multi run - s->len, max) * num data in),
    frame pos, sz + first seg);
  div u64 w(val, inb p);
  spin unlock(&disk->queue lock);
 mutex unlock(&s->sock->mutex);
 mutex unlock(&func->mutex);
  return disassemble(info->pending bh);
}
```

#### Sample Trained on Names

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#### What Goes on Inside

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Result credit: A. Karpathy

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#### Nagging Detail #1 – Depth What happens to really deep networks? Remember g<sup>n</sup> for g ≠ 1 Gradients explode / vanish



#### Nagging Detail #1 – Depth

- Typically use more complex methods that better manage gradient flowback (LSTM, GRU)
- General strategy: pass the hidden state to the next timestep as unchanged as possible, only adding updates as necessary

#### Nagging Detail #2

#### Lots of captions are in principle possible!



- A dog in a hat
- A dog wearing a hat
- Husky wearing a hat
- Husky holding a camera, sitting in grass
- A dog that's in a hat, sitting on a lawn with a camera

#### Nagging Detail #2 – Sampling

Dog (P=0.3), A (P=0.2), Husky (P=0.15), ....



- Pick proportional to probability of each word
- Can adjust "temperature" parameter exp(score/t) to equalize probabilities
- $exp(5) / exp(1) \rightarrow 54.6$
- $\exp(5/5) / \exp(1/5) \rightarrow 2.2$

#### Effect of Temperature

- Train on essays about startups and investing
- Normal Temperature: "The surprised in investors weren't going to raise money. I'm not the company with the time there are all interesting quickly, don't have to get off the same programmers. There's a super-angel round fundraising, why do you can do."
- Low temperature: "is that they were all the same thing that was a startup is that they were all the same thing that was a startup is that they were all the same thing that was a startup is that they were all the same"

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Each evaluation gives  $P(W_{i}|W_{1},...,W_{i-1})$ 

Can expand a finite tree of possibilities (beam search) and pick most likely sequence

#### Nagging Detail #3 – Evaluation



Computer: "A husky in a hat" Human: "A dog in a hat"

How do you decide?

 Ask humans. Why might this be an issue?
 In practice: use something like precision (how many generated words appear in ground-truth sentences) or recall. Details very important to prevent gaming (e.g., "A a a a a")

#### More General Sequence Models



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Could be a feature vector!



#### **More General Models**



#### **Visual Question-Answering**



What color are her eyes? What is the mustache made of?



Is this person expecting company? What is just under the tree?



How many slices of pizza are there? Is this a vegetarian pizza?



Does it appear to be rainy? Does this person have 20/20 vision?

VQA: Visual Question Answering. S. Antol, A. Agrawal et al. ICCV 2015

#### **Top-Performing Methods**

## Top methods now look at objects in the image as opposed to one big image vector.



Two men playing frisbee in a dark field.

Bottom-Up and Top-Down Attention for Image Captioning and Visual Question Answering. Anderson et al. 2018.

#### **Top-Performing Methods**

Question: What color is illuminated on the traffic light? Answer left: green. Answer right: red.



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#### Let's Revisit A Number

- How many 20-word sentences with a vocabulary of 10k words are there really?
- Is it really (10k)<sup>20</sup>? Why not?
- Let's look at some giraffes (I swear this is relevant)

#### What do Giraffes Do All Day?



With apologies to both giraffes and people who study giraffes, I'm sure they're fascinating

#### Alternate Idea – Retrieval



<u>Training</u> images + captions

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Training

<u>images</u>

+ captions



"Giraffe sitting & relaxing"

#### **Retrieval Results**



A man riding a wave on a surfboard.

A man riding a wave on a surfboard in the ocean.



A person flying a kite A person flying a kite in the sky. A person flying a kite in the sky.



A cat sitting in a bathroom sink.

A black and white cat sitting in a bathroom sink.

Exploring Nearest Neighbor Approaches for Image Captioning. Devlin et al. 2015

#### **Retrieval Results**



A wooden bench in front of a building.

A window display on the front of a building.



A building with a clock on the top.

A clock tower on the top of a building.



The side of a passenger train at a train station.

A bus that is on the side of a road.

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#### **Retrieval Results**

- In practice: humans don't like retrieved captions as much
- Can't generate anything new!

#### **Novel Captions**



Deep Compositional Captioning: Describing Novel Object Categories without Paired Training Data. L. Hendricks et al. CVPR 2016

#### Simple Baseline for VQA



- Construct a vocabulary of 5000 most frequent answers
- Extract all the information from the image, *I* 
  - Construct an image representation using a CNN
- Represent the question, Q with BoW
- Compute distribution of answers, P(A|Q, I)

Zhou, Bolei, et al. "Simple baseline for visual question answering." arXiv preprint arXiv:1512.02167 (2015). Slide credit: T. Gupta

#### **Qualitative Results**

**Question**: what are they doing **Predictions**:

playing baseball (score: 10.67 = 2.01 [image] + 8.66 [word]) baseball (score: 9.65 = 4.84 [image] + 4.82 [word]) grazing (score: 9.34 = 0.53 [image] + 8.81 [word])

Based on image only: umpire (4.85), baseball (4.84), batter (4.46) Based on word only: playing wii (10.62), eating (9.97), playing frisbee (9.24)

Question: how many people inside Predictions:

- 3 (score: 13.39 = 2.75 [image] + 10.65 [word])
- 2 (score: 12.76 = 2.49 [image] + 10.27 [word])
- 5 (score: 12.72 = 1.83 [image] + 10.89 [word])

Based on image only: umpire (4.85), baseball (4.84), batter (4.46) Based on word only: 8 (11.24), 7 (10.95), 5 (10.89)

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#### **Qualitative Results**



Question: which brand is the laptop Predictions:

apple (score: 10.87 = 1.10 [image] + 9.77 [word]) dell (score: 9.83 = 0.71 [image] + 9.12 [word]) toshiba (score: 9.76 = 1.18 [image] + 8.58 [word])

Based on image only: books (3.15), yes (3.14), no (2.95)Based on word only: apple (9.77), hp (9.18), dell (9.12)

 Language prior prunes the answer space significantly

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#### **Quantitative Evaluation**

		Open-l	Ended		Multiple-Choice									
	Overall	yes/no	number	others	Overall	yes/no	number	others						
IMG [2]	28.13	64.01	00.42	03.77	30.53	69.87	00.45	03.76						
BOW [2]	48.09	75.66	36.70	27.14	53.68	75.71	37.05	38.64						
BOWIMG [2]	52.64	75.55	33.67	37.37	58.97	75.59	34.35	50.33						
LSTMIMG [2]	53.74	78.94	35.24	36.42	57.17	78.95	35.80	43.41						
CompMem [6]	52.62	78.33	35.93	34.46	-	-	-	-						
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WR Sel. [13]	-	-	-	-	60.96	-	-	-						
ACK [16]	55.72	79.23	36.13	40.08	-	-	-	-						
DPPnet [11]	57.22	80.71	37.24	41.69	62.48	80.79	38.94	52.16						
iBOWIMG	55.72	76.55	35.03	42.62	61.68	76.68	37.05	54.44						

Evaluated on the VQA dataset

#### Does the model learn to localize?

#### Class Activation Mapping applied to VQA Baseline





Question: What are they doing? Prediction: texting (score: 12.02=3.78 [image] + 8.24 [word]) Word importance: doing(7.01) are(1.05) they(0.49) what(-0.3)



Question: What is he eating? Prediction: hot dog (score: 13.01=5.02 [image] + 7.99 [word]) Word importance: eating(4.12) what(2.81) is(0.74) he(0.30)



**Question: Is there a cat? Prediction**: yes (score: 11.48 = 4.35 [image] + 7.13 [word]) **word importance**: is(2.65) there(2.46) a(1.70) cat(0.30)

Question: Where is the cat? Prediction: shelf (score: 10.81 = 3.23 [image] + 7.58 [word]) word importance: where(3.89) cat(1.88) the(1.79) is(0.01)

Slide credit: T. Gupta

#### **Recent Developments**

#### Can balance data to make things difficult

Who is wearing glasses?

man



Is the umbrella upside down? yes no





#### Where is the child sitting? fridge arms





How many children are in the bed?





Making the V in VQA Matter: Elevating the Role of Image Understanding in Visual Question Answering. Goyal et al. 2017

#### Some Concluding Thoughts

- Getting this right is really hard!
- Deep learning is trying to do solve any problem you pose with as little effort as possible.
- A lot of this has to do with the data

#### Some Concluding Thoughts In General

## What happens, math-wise, when you take pictures by poking a hole in barriers



## How to line up two images by finding local regions and matching them



How to fit functions to data by computing derivatives with respect to a loss function and how that lets you learn things



## How to find the motion between two images that are nearby in time



What happens mathematically when 2+ cameras see the same scene, and how to get depth from this



#### Some Take-Homes

- Computer vision, even the most magical parts, isn't magic
- It's linear algebra, data, and figuring out what problems to ask
- The class did a great job implementing stuff and I'm looking forward to seeing the projects
- Many of you will probably be asked to make decisions involving at least machine learning as part of your jobs down the road. Be aware!