# Lecture 8 Convolutional Neural Networks II CMSC 35246: Deep Learning

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- Things we will look at today
  - Methods for Visualizing Convolutional Neural Networks

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# Housekeeping

- Quiz scores will be uploaded in a few hours
- Project proposals due tonight
- Mid term 8 May (Just like quizzes, with some derivations)
- Late policy

#### **Convolutional Neural Networks**



Figure: Andrej Karpathy

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$$J = \sum_{i} KL(P_i||Q_i) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} p_{j|i} \log \frac{p_{j|i}}{q_{j|i}}$$

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- In other words: Similar objects get embedded nearby

## t-SNE on MNIST



Figure: van der Maaten and Hinton





### AlexNet



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- t-SNE: place two codes close in 2D if they are close in 4096D

## t-SNE on ImageNet



http://cs.stanford.edu/people/karpathy/cnnembed/





#### Visualizing Activations: DeConvolutional Approach



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- PS: There are many later papers that improve the approach of Zeiler and Fergus (say using guided backprop), but the basic idea is similar

# **Deconvolutional Network**



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# Approach

- Attach a DeConv Net to a layer of the convnet (to be examined)
- Pass input image through CNN and obtain activations
- For a given neuron, set all activations to zero and backprop from there



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# Approach

- Successively unpool, rectify and filter till pixel space is reached
- Max is not invertible: Keep switch variables to keep track of locations of max in each pooling



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# Approach

- ReLU: Pass the signal through a ReLU non-linearity
- Filtering: Use learned filters to convolve backward signal, but use transposed versions of filters and applied to ReLU activations
- Reconstructions show which parts of input image are discriminative



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# Feature Visualizations from last time were generated by this approach

# Layer 1 filters



Matthew Zeiler and Rob Fergus

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goose

ostrich

limousine

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- Another regularizer: Blur I at each update
- Also clip pixel values with small contributions

### **Class Model Visualization with Blur**



Flamingo



Pelican



Hartebeest



Billiard Table



Ground Beetle



Indian Cobra



Station Wagon



Black Swan



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#### **Example Features**



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AgkflQ4IGaM



A Short Digression



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- What would happen?

### **Deep Dream**



Lower layers detect edges etc., on optimization such features will get boosted up

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Slightly higher layers start to overinterpret shapes in images



#### **Deep Dream**



Towers & Pagodas

Buildings

Birds & Insects

Slightly higher layers start to overinterpret shapes in images

# Iterating



The input for these were noise images!

Video: Grocery store trip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DgPaCWJL7XI



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  - $\implies$  need to store fewer parameters, computing output needs fewer operations  $(O(m \times n) \text{ versus } O(k \times n))$

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• Fully connected network:  $h_3$  is computed by full matrix multiplication with no sparse connectivity



• Kernel of size 3, moved with stride of 1



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- Kernel of size 3, moved with stride of 1
- $h_3$  only depends on  $x_2, x_3, x_4$



• Connections in CNNs are sparse, but units in deeper layers are connected to all of the input (larger receptive field sizes)

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Image: Multiscale Context Aggregation by Dilated Convolutions, Yu and Koltun, ICLR 2016



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## Dilated Convolution: Dilation of 1





#### **Dilated Convolution**



 $\bullet\,$  The unit on the second layer has a receptive field of size  $9\times9$ 

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#### WaveNet: Dilated Causal Convolutions



• We will see this in detail a few classes later



#### The Neuroscientific Motivation for Convolutional Networks

Idea Genealogy for CNNs





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- After multiple layers, we find cells that respond to only specific concepts and are invariant to many transformations of the input (grandmother cells in the medial temporal lobe)



#### Simple and Complex Cells



Image Source: Scholarpedia

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- TDNNs inspired the use of backpropagation for training for 2D CNNs (Yann LeCun, 1989)

## Next time

- More on Equivariance
- Group Equivariant CNNs
- Spatial Transformers and related ideas
- Back to Architectures: Ultra Deep Models
- Begin: CNNs on Graphs and Combinatorial Data

#### Quiz!