

Semi-Implicit Convolutional Neural Networks

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- 3) Neural Network Stability

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Classification



Low Dimensional Output

	\rightarrow	Class	Probability
		Truck	0.01
		Mouse	0.85
		Dog	0.05
		Cat	0.09
$R^{h{ extbf{x}}w{ extbf{x}}d}$	\rightarrow	R	k

where h, w, and d are the image dimensions, and k is the number of target classes.

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Semantic Segmentation



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Semantic Segmentation



High Dimensional Output



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 $k \ge d$









ResNet:

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where \mathbf{Y}^0 is the input image, $\mathbf{K}_{1,2}$ are convolutions, σ is a non-linear activation function, and N is a normalization function that depends on α and β

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K. He et al. (2015)





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Non-local information is often necessary.

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http://colah.github.io/posts/2014-07-Understanding-Convolutions/



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max pool with 2x2 filters and stride 2

6	8
3	4

http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/

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In practice, a combination of both



https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~frossard/post/vgg16/

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O. Ronneberger and P.Fischer and T. Brox (2015)

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- Small pertubations do not grow at depth, which could lead to vanishing/exploding gradients, making deep networks difficult to train







Exploit a network's instability inorder to fool a classifier



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IMEXnet







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Which can be seen with as a forward Euler discretization of the non-linear ODE (Haber & Ruthotto, 2017).

$$\mathbf{\dot{Y}}(\mathbf{t}) = f(\mathbf{Y}(t), \theta(t))$$

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We can view using a ResNet as solving the following initial value problem using forward Euler and a step size h = 1.

$$\dot{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{t}) = f(\mathbf{Y}(t), \theta(t)), \quad \mathbf{Y}(0) = \mathbf{Y}_0$$

We are not limited to forward Euler, for example midpoint methods have been used, and RK methods have been proposed (Haber & Ruthotto, 2017; Chen et al., 2018).







Recap of ResNet issues:

- Often unstable.
- Information takes many layers to travel across the computational grid.

One way to accelerate the communication of information across all pixels is to use an implicit method (Ascher & Petzold, 1998).





Backward Euler

$$\mathbf{Y}^{n+1} = \mathbf{Y}^n + hf(\mathbf{Y}^{n+1}, \theta^{n+1})$$
 for $n = 0, ..., N - 1$

Treating the non-linear term implicilty requires solving the above equation at evey time step.

In order to avoid this expensive step, we instead consider an implicit-explicit (IMEX) method.





Treat non-linear part of the RHS explicitly, and the linear part of it implicitly (Ascher et al, 1995; 1997).

Commonly used in fluid dynamics, surface formation, and image denoising.







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There is no natural division in this context.

$$\dot{\mathbf{Y}}(t) = \underbrace{f(\mathbf{Y}(t), \boldsymbol{\theta}(t)) + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{Y}(t)}_{\text{explicit term}} - \underbrace{\mathbf{L}\mathbf{Y}(t)}_{\text{implicit term}}$$

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where ${\bf L}$ is a linear invertible matrix





We use forward Euler for the explicit terms, and backward Euler for the implicit term.

$$(\mathbf{I} + h\mathbf{L})\mathbf{Y}^{n+1} = \mathbf{Y}^n(\mathbf{I} + h\mathbf{L}) + hf(\mathbf{Y}^n, \theta^n)$$







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Note that the inverted term is dense, so it couples the entire computational grid in each step.







Absolute Stability

ResNet

$$\mathbf{Y}_{j+1} = (1+h\lambda)\mathbf{Y}_j$$

Stable if and only if $|1 + \lambda h| \le 1$

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$$\mathbf{Y}_{j+1} = \frac{1+h\lambda+h\alpha}{1+h\alpha} \mathbf{Y}_j \text{ when } \mathbf{L} = \alpha \mathbf{I}$$

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Implementation

In the implicit step we solve the linear system

 $(\mathbf{I} + h\mathbf{L})\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{B},$

where **L** is a group convolution and **B** is the collection of explicit terms.

To compute this efficiently, we represent the convolution in the Fourier domain.

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Implementation

Consider the convolution

$$\mathbf{AY} = \mathbf{B}$$
, where $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{I} + h\mathbf{L})$.

By choosing **L** to be a convolution, we can use it's form in the Fourier domain

$$\mathbf{A} * \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}((\mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}) \odot (\mathbf{F}\mathbf{Y}))$$

to compute the product of the inverse

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} * \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{F}^{-1}((\mathbf{F}\mathbf{Y}) \oslash (\mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}))$$

where \oslash is element wise division.





Implementation

In order to ensure that ${\bf A}$ is invertible, we define ${\bf L}$ to be positive semi-definite in the form

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C},$$

where **C** is a groupwise convolution operator.

This implementation is CUDA enabled and supported by AutoGrad packages.

IMEXnet









Q-tips Dataset

- Sythentic semantic segmentation dataset
- 1024 training examples, 64 valdiation examples
- Single object images randomly sampled from a unifrom distribution of lengths, widths, and orientations.
- 3 object classes
- Requires a large receptive field



Q-tips Dataset

Image







Label







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Results - Predictions

Image	Segmentation	IMEX Predicition	ResNet Predicition
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Results - Probability Maps







WW (Blue)









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Q-tips Results

NETWORK	PARAMETERS	IOU	Loss	ACCURACY
IMEXNET	2701440	0.926 0.741	0.0982	99.56
ResNet	2691648		0.3332	98.18





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NYU Depth Results



Kitchen scene



Depth map



ResNet recovery



Implicit net recovery





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