Generative Neural Networks

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Supervised Learning

\[ f(x) \]

Training Data \( \{x_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^{N} \)

Input \( x \) \hspace{1cm} Output \( y \)

Image \hspace{1cm} Object class
Unsupervised Learning

• Training data \( \{ x_i \}_{i=1}^{N} \) No label

• Goal: discover some underlying hidden structure of the data

• Examples
  • Dimension reduction
  • Clustering
  • Probability density estimation
Dimension Reduction

• Map data from a high-dimension space to a low-dimension space

\[ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow y \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad m < n \]

• The low-dimensional representation maintains meaningful properties of the original data
  • E.g., can be used to reconstruct the original data

• Applications
  • Data compression, data visualization, data representation learning
Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

• Linear mapping

\[ y = P x \]

\[ m \times 1 \quad m \times m \quad m \times 1 \]

\[ y = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ \vdots \\ p_m \end{bmatrix} x \]

Rows of \( P \), principal components
Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

• Change of basis

\[
y = \begin{bmatrix}
p_1 \cdot x \\
p_2 \cdot x \\
\vdots \\
p_m \cdot x
\end{bmatrix}
\]

Projection

\[
a \cdot b = \|a\| \|b\| \cos \theta \\
a_1 = \|a\| \cos \theta = \frac{a \cdot b}{\|b\|} \\
\text{if } \|b\| = 1 \quad a_1 = a \cdot b
\]
Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- Given a set of data points
  \[ Y = PX \]
  \[ X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \]
- Covariance matrix

\[ X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{bmatrix} \]

\[ C_X \equiv \frac{1}{n} XX^T \]

\[ C_Y \]
Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

• The goal of PCA
  • All off-diagonal terms in $\mathbf{C}_Y$ should be zero ($Y$ is decorrelated)
  • Each successive dimension of $Y$ should be rank-ordered according to variance

• Solution

$$\mathbf{C}_Y = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{Y}^T = \frac{1}{n} (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{X}) (\mathbf{P} \mathbf{X})^T = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{P}^T = \mathbf{P} \left( \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T \right) \mathbf{P}^T$$

The principal components $\mathbf{P}$ is the eigenvectors of

$$\mathbf{C}_X \equiv \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T$$

A Tutorial on Principal Component Analysis. Jonathon Shlens, 2014
Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- Dimension reduction

\[ y = Px \]

\[ m \times 1 \quad m \times m \quad m \times 1 \]

\[ y = P_L x \]

\[ L \times 1 \]

Use \( L < m \) principal components
Autoencoder

- Use a neural network for dimension reduction

\[ z = f(x) \quad \hat{x} = g(z) \]

Reconstruction loss function

\[ L_2 = \| x - \hat{x} \|^2 \]
Case Study: Augmented Autoencoder

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Case Study: Denoising Autoencoder

Content Generation

• Given a dataset $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^{N}$

• How to generate new content from the underlying distribution $P(x)$?

• Autoencoder is not suitable for content generation

The latent space is not regularized. Some latent vectors may generate meaningless content.
Variational Autoencoder

- Introduce regularization to the latent space
- Probabilistic formulation

\[ p(z|x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_x, \sigma_x) \quad \text{Prior distribution} \]
Variational Autoencoder

• Latent space
  • Continuity (close points in latent space decode similar outputs)
  • Completeness (a sampled latent should generate meaningful output)

https://towardsdatascience.com/understanding-variational-autoencoders-vaes-f70510919f73
Variational Autoencoder

• Encoder

\[ \mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_x, \sigma_x) \]

Not differentiable

Reparameterization

\[ \zeta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I) \]

\[ \mathbf{z} = \sigma_x \zeta + \mu_x \]
Variational Autoencoder

• Encoder-Decoder

\[ z = \sigma_x \zeta + \mu_x \]

\[ \zeta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}) \]

• Loss function

\[ L = C \| \mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}} \|^2 + \text{KL}(\mathcal{N}(\mu_x, \sigma_x), \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})) \]

Reconstruction loss

Prior loss

\[ D_{\text{KL}}(P \| Q) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \log \left( \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right) dx \]
Variational Autoencoder

- Generating data

$$z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I)$$

- Diagonal prior on $z$ -> independent latent variables
- Different dimensions of $z$ encode interpretable factors of variation

Direct Content Generation

• VAE models the density as

\[ p_\theta(x) = \int p_\theta(z)p_\theta(x|z)dz \]

• Directly sample from the training distribution without modeling the probability density

• Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) can generate better samples compared to VAEs
Generative Adversarial Network (GAN)

• Goal: sample examples from training distribution $P(x)$
• Solution
  • First sample from a simple distribution (e.g., uniform distribution)
  • Learn transformation to the training distribution

Input: random noise
Output: sample from the training distribution

How to train the generator?
• We do not know the mapping from $z$ to training data
Generative Adversarial Network (GAN)

- Generator-Discriminator

\[ \mathcal{Z} \rightarrow \text{Generator} \rightarrow \text{Discriminator} \rightarrow \text{Real? Fake?} \]

Gradient
Training GAN: Two-player Game

• Discriminator: try to distinguish between real image and fake images (generated images from the generator)

• Generator: try to fool the discriminator by generating real-look images
Training GAN: Two-player Game

- Minmax objective function

\[
\min_{\theta_g} \max_{\theta_d} \left[ \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}} \log D_{\theta_d}(x) + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} \log(1 - D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z))) \right]
\]

- Discriminator: **maximize** the objective such that \(D(x)\) is close to 1 and \(D(G(z))\) is close to 0
- Generator: **minimize** the objective such that \(D(G(z))\) is close too 1 (fool the discriminator)
Training GAN: Two-player Game

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• Alternate between
  • Gradient ascent on discriminator

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  • Gradient descent on generator

$$\min_{\theta_g} \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} \log (1 - D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z)))$$

Generative Adversarial Nets. Goodfellow et al. NeurIPS’14
Training GAN: Two-player Game

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  \]

- Alternate between
  - Gradient ascent on discriminator
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    \]
  - Gradient ascent on generator
    \[
    \max_{\theta_g} \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} \log(D_{\theta_d}(G_{\theta_g}(z)))
    \]

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Training GAN: Two-player Game

\begin{align*}
\text{for number of training iterations do} \\
\quad \text{for } k \text{ steps do} \\
\hspace{1em} \bullet \text{ Sample minibatch of } m \text{ noise samples } \{z^{(1)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}\} \text{ from noise prior } p_g(z). \\
\hspace{1em} \bullet \text{ Sample minibatch of } m \text{ examples } \{x^{(1)}, \ldots, x^{(m)}\} \text{ from data generating distribution } p_{\text{data}}(x). \\
\hspace{1em} \bullet \text{ Update the discriminator by ascending its stochastic gradient:} \\
\hspace{2em} \nabla_{\theta_d} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left[ \log D \left( x^{(i)} \right) + \log \left( 1 - D \left( G \left( z^{(i)} \right) \right) \right) \right]. \\
\hspace{1em} \text{end for} \\
\hspace{1em} \bullet \text{ Sample minibatch of } m \text{ noise samples } \{z^{(1)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}\} \text{ from noise prior } p_g(z). \\
\hspace{1em} \bullet \text{ Update the generator by descending its stochastic gradient:} \\
\hspace{2em} \nabla_{\theta_g} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log \left( 1 - D \left( G \left( z^{(i)} \right) \right) \right). \\
\text{end for}
\end{align*}

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Generative Adversarial Network (GAN)

Visualization of samples from the model

Nearest neighbor from training set

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Deep Convolutional GANs (DCGANs)

• Use CNNs for generator and discriminator

UNSUPERVISED REPRESENTATION LEARNING WITH DEEP CONVOLUTIONAL GENERATIVE ADVERSARIAL NETWORKS. Radford et al., ICLR’16
Deep Convolutional GANs (DCGANs)

Generated samples

Unsupervised Representation Learning with Deep Convolutional Generative Adversarial Networks. Radford et al., ICLR’16
Diffusion Model

**GAN:** Adversarial training

**VAE:** maximize variational lower bound

**Diffusion models:**
Gradually add Gaussian noise and then reverse

https://lilianweng.github.io/posts/2021-07-11-diffusion-models/
Summary

• Autoencoder
  • Good for dimension reduction, cannot generate new data

• Variational autoencoder
  • Probabilistic formulation
  • Regularized latent space, can be used to generate new data

• Generative Adversarial Network
  • Directly sample training distribution to generate data
  • Better samples compared VAEs
Further Reading


• UNSUPERVISED REPRESENTATION LEARNING WITH DEEP CONVOLUTIONAL GENERATIVE ADVERSARIAL NETWORKS. Radford et al., ICLR’16. https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.06434