# Compressing Deep Networks Using Fisher Score of Feature Maps

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INTRODUCTION

### **DEEP NEURAL NETWORKS**



A CNN sequence to classify handwritten digits

• Source: google image.

## **MOTIVATION AND PROBLEM STATEMENT**

- Energy consumption for limited-resource embedded systems
- Very large Memory for saving the weights of a model
- Huge amount of computation for product operation
- For example, under 45nm CMOS technology,
  - A 32bit floating point add consumes 0.9pJ
  - A 32bit SRAM cache access requires 5pJ
  - A 32bit DRAM memory access takes 640pJ
- Running a 1 billion connection neural network, for example, at 20 fps needs almost 13W power just for DRAM!!!
- Need to compress model for deployment and fast inference running-time

- Robustness of deep architectures with *skip-connection* against coarse pruning
  - Removing a random layer doesn't hurt the performance.
  - Removing the models without *skip-connection* drops the performance dramatically.
- $\cdot\,$  Our focus is to investigate this phenomenon in more depth
- Studying two prominent examples of models with *skip-connection*: Resnet and DenseNet

- A *skip-unit* is defined as a set of layers, and each layer consists of sequential operations including *Conv*, *Pooling*, *ReLU*, *BN*, *Dropout*, etc.
- A skip-units is mathematically defined as

$$U_{\ell} = \Psi(T_{\ell}, U_{1:\ell-1}, \alpha_{\ell}), \quad \ell = 1, 2, \dots, L,$$

- $U_{1:\ell-1}$ , the input of  $\ell$ -th unit
- $T_{\ell} = f_{\ell}(U_{\ell-1})$ , the output in the skip-unit
- $\cdot f_\ell$ , the composition of aforementioned operations
- $\alpha_{\ell}$ 's are binary variables and  $\Psi$  denotes an operation that combines  $T_{\ell}$  and  $U_{1:\ell-1}$ .

## **RESNET AND DENSENET**

• ResNet architecture  $\Psi_{res}$  and DenseNet architecture  $\Psi_{den}$  are respectively given by:

$$U_{\ell} = \Psi_{res}(T_{\ell}, U_{\ell:\ell-1}, \alpha_{\ell}) = \alpha_{\ell}T_{\ell} + \mathcal{A}_{\ell-1}U_{\ell-1},$$

 $U_{\ell} = \Psi_{den}(T_{\ell}, U_{\ell:\ell-1}, \alpha_{\ell}) = \text{Concat}(\alpha_{\ell}T_{\ell}, U_{1:\ell-1}),$ 

- Concat is the concatenation operation.
- ·  $\mathcal{A}_{\ell-1}$  is an identity or a convolution operator.



**Figure 1:** Two consecutive skip-units in a ResNet (top) and DesNet (bottom) family, respectively.

**Compressing skip-units models**: Pruning the model by removing the redundant skip-units based on their learned information.

- 1. How to study the learned features?
- 2. How to capture the information in the learned features?
- 3. How to quantify the redundant the skip-units?

**Shannon Mutual Information?** Mutual Information is the measure of informativeness. However,

- Computationally challenging task to estimate Mutual Information in a high-dimensional feature space
- Proper assumption on the underlying probability distribution
- Using the gradient information instead of mutual information for measuring the information learned in the intermediate layers of a deep model
- The same properties of the Mutual Information; however, computationally more efficient

After computing the information of units:

- Clustering the units based on their gradient information
- Keeping only the cluster heads ( $\alpha = 1$ )
- Removing other units in each cluster ( $\alpha = 0$ )

## **GRADIENT INFORMATION**

• The gradient information is proposed based on the Hyvarinen loss with respect to an input *x* with density function *p* which is given by [Hyvarinen, 2005.]:

$$s_{H}(x,p) = \frac{1}{2} \left\| \nabla_{x} \log p(x) \right\|^{2} + \Delta_{x} \log p(x),$$

where abla denotes the gradient and  $\Delta$  denotes the Laplacian.

• The expectation of the Hyvarien loss of a probability density  $q(\cdot)$ w.r.t the another distribution  $p(\cdot)$  can be reformulated as:  $\mathbb{E}_p \{ s_H(x,q) \} = D_F(p,q) - \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_p \| \nabla_y \log q(x) \|^2$ , where  $D_F(p,q)$  is the Fisher divergence given by:

$$D_{\mathrm{F}}(p,q) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|\nabla_x \log q(x) - \nabla_x \log p(x)\|^2 p(x) dx.$$

## Definition (Gradient information [Ding et al., 2019.])

Consider continuous random variables *T* and *Y* with marginal density functions  $p_T$  and  $p_Y$ , respectively as well as the joint density  $p_{TY}$ . The information quantity is defined as  $(T, Y) = D_F(p_{TY}, p_T p_Y)$ .

### Definition (Fisher score)

Given the random variables  $T \in^d$  and  $Y \in \mathcal{Y}$ , with  $\mathcal{Y} = \{1, 2, \cdots, p\}$ , the Fisher score between T and Y is defined as

$$F(T, Y) = \max_{1 \leq i,j \leq p} D_F(p_i, p_j),$$

where  $p_i$  denotes the densities of *T* conditional on Y = i, and  $D_F$  denotes the gradient information in the above definition.

**PROPOSED PRUNING ALGORITHM** 

## **PRUNING ALGORITHM**

### Algorithm 1

#### INPUT:

**DNN**<sup>0</sup>: Pre-trained Deep Neural Network S<sup>0</sup>: The index set of skip-units in **DNN**<sup>0</sup>  $T_l$ : Feature maps,  $l = 1, 2, ..., |S^0|$  $K^t$ : Cluster vector,  $t = 0, 1, \ldots, N - 1$ N: Number of stages for t = 0, 1, ..., N - 1 do Compute Fisher scores,  $F(T_l^t, Y)$ ,  $l = 1, ..., |S^t|$  using **DNN**<sup>t</sup>  $\begin{aligned} & \text{Construct } \mathbf{F}^{t} = [F(T_{1}^{t}, Y), F(T_{2}^{t}, Y), \dots, F(T_{|\mathcal{K}^{t}|}^{t}, Y)] \\ & \{\textit{Cluster}_{1}^{K_{1}^{t}}, \dots, \textit{Cluster}_{|\mathcal{K}^{t}|}^{K_{1}^{t}}, \dots, \textit{Cluster}_{1}^{|\mathcal{K}^{t}|}, \dots, \textit{Cluster}_{K_{t}^{t}, t}^{t}] \} = \text{Clustering}(K^{t}, \mathbf{F}^{t}, S^{t}) \end{aligned}$ for k in K<sup>t</sup> do for i = 1, 2, ..., k do  $a_c = 1$ , c = cluster centroid index $a_u = 0, \forall u \in Cluster_i^k \setminus c$ end for Compute  $Train_{err}^{k}$  for given k end for Select  $k_*^t =_{k \in K^t} Train_{err}^k$ Update  $S^t$  by keeping only  $k_{\pm}^t$  units and remove the rest of units Update **DNN**<sup>t</sup> by re-training the model with  $k_{*}^{t} = |S^{t}|$  units with weights initialized in stage t end for

Return pruned model with  $|S^{N-1}|$  active skip-units

## **EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS**

### 1. Datasets:

Dataset	Train data	Test data	Image Size	Classes
CIFAR-10	50000	10000	$32 \times 32 \times 3$	10
CIFAR-100	50000	10000	$32 \times 32 \times 3$	100
SVHN	73257	26032	$32 \times 32 \times 3$	10

2. Model architectures (based on CIFAR-10 data set):

Model	Units	Layers	Param. (M)	FLOPs (M)
ResNet-56	[9, 9, 9]	56	0.85	126.55
ResNet-110	[18, 18, 18]	164	1.73	254.00
DenseNet-100	[16, 16, 16]	100	0.77	296.50

Model	Test Accuracy	Param. (M)	FLOPs (M)	Red.(%)
ResNet-56 (full)	0.9334	0.85	126.55	-
ResNet-56 (N=7)	0.9331	0.21	48.15	74.89
ResNet-110 (full)	0.9387	1.73	254.00	-
ResNet-110 (N=6)	0.9379	0.31	94.68	81.95
DenseNet-100-k12 (full)	0.9559	0.77	296.50	-
DenseNet100-k12 (N=7)	0.9470	0.36	181.72	52.74

**Table 1:** The results of pruning various DNNs on CIFAR-10 data set. Red (%)has been calculated in terms of number of parameters.

Model	Test Accuracy	Param. (M)	FLOPs (M)	Red.(%)
ResNet-56 (full)	0.9334	0.86	127.00	-
ResNet-56 (N=6)	0.7134	0.36	61.55	58.57
ResNet-110 (full)	0.7289	1.74	255.00	-
ResNet-110 (N=7)	0.7300	0.50	123.26	71.26

**Table 2:** The results of pruning various DNNs on CIFAR-100 data set. Red (%)has been calculated in terms of number of parameters.