Fundamentals of Media Processing

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Course Overview (15 classes in total)

1-10 Machine Learning by Prof. Satoshi Ikehata11-15 Signal Processing by Prof. Kazuya Kodama Grading will be based on the final report.

Basic of Machine Learning (Maybe for beginners)

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CNN and its Application

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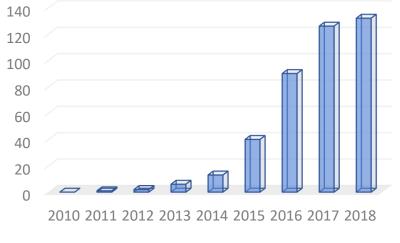
Chap. 9 and more

12/18 Convolutional Neural Networks and Its Application (2) Chap. 9 and more

Convolutional Neural Networks

History of Convolutional Neural Networks

- 1990s, the neural network research group at AT & T developed a convolutional network for reading checks (LeCun1998)
- Several OCR and handwriting recognition systems based on CNN were deployed by Microsoft (Simard2003)
- AlexNet (2012) won the ImageNet object recognition challenge, and the current intensity of commercial interest in deep learning began



of Papers with "Deep" in CVPR

- Convolutional Neural networks (CNN; LeCun1989) are a neural network for processing data of gild-like structure. The major examples include image data
- CNN are simply neural networks that use *convolution* in piece of general matrix multiplication in at least one of their layers. In general convolution, the kernel is **flipped**, but in neural networks, it does not matter since the kernel itself is learned

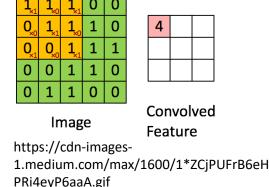
The multichannel convolutional operations requires that *the input and output of the convolution have same channels* to make the convolution commutative; In reality, what CNN do is *cross correlation* rather than convolution

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$$S(i,j) = (I * K)(i,j) = \sum_{m} \sum_{n} I(i+m,i+n)K(i,j)$$

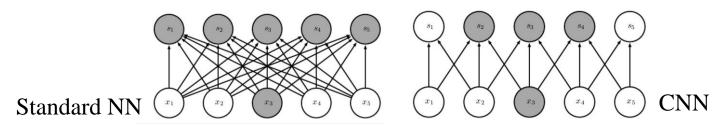
Cross correlation based on the commutative property in convolution



Convolutional Neural Networks (2)

CNN leverages three important ideas

- Sparse interactions
 - Each unit is interacted with smaller number of units



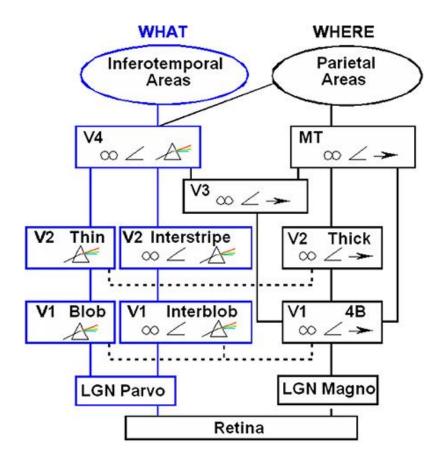
- Parameter sharing
 - Traditional neural net \rightarrow dense multiplication (y = Wx)
 - We only need few parameters (# of kernel × size of kernel)
- Equivariant to translation
 - f(g(x)) = g(f(x))
 - "translation then convolution" is same with "convolution, then translation"
 - CNN is not naturally equivalent to rotation and scale

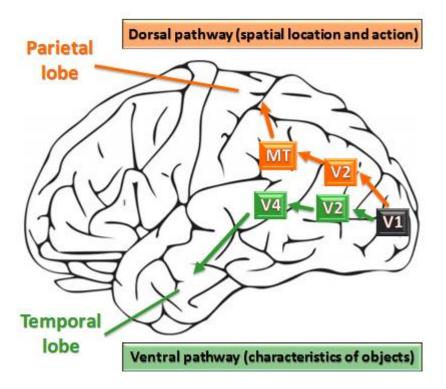
Convolutional Neural Networks (3)



Figure 9.6: Efficiency of edge detection. The image on the right was formed by taking each pixel in the original image and subtracting the value of its neighboring pixel on the left. This shows the strength of all the vertically oriented edges in the input image, which can be a useful operation for object detection. Both images are 280 pixels tall. The input image is 320 pixels wide, while the output image is 319 pixels wide. This transformation can be described by a convolution kernel containing two elements, and requires $319 \times 280 \times 3 = 267,960$ floating-point operations (two multiplications and one addition per output pixel) to compute using convolution. To describe the same transformation with a matrix multiplication would take $320 \times 280 \times 319 \times 280$, or over eight billion, entries in the matrix, making convolution four billion times more efficient for representing this transformation. The straightforward matrix multiplication algorithm performs over sixteen billion floating point operations, making convolution roughly 60,000 times more efficient computationally. Of course, most of the entries of the matrix would be zero. If we stored only the nonzero entries of the matrix, then both matrix multiplication and convolution would require the same number of floating-point operations to compute. The matrix would still need to contain $2 \times 319 \times 280 = 178,640$ entries. Convolution is an extremely efficient way of describing transformations that apply the same linear transformation of a small local region across the entire input. Photo credit: Paula Goodfellow.

CNN and Neuroscience (1)

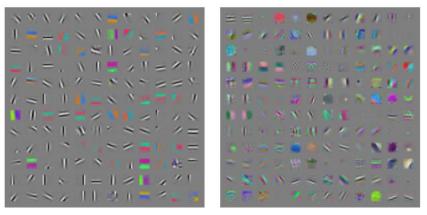




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V1 cells have weights that are described by Gabor functions that prefers the specific direction of edges

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Feature maps learned by CNN

Convolutional neural networks consist of *convolution*, *pooling*, and *fully-connected* layers

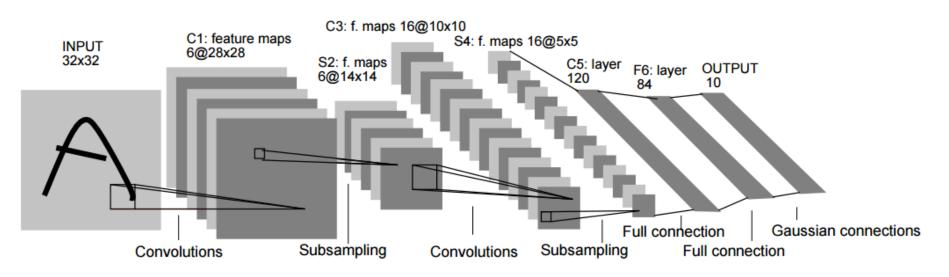
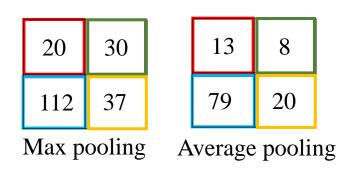


Fig. 2. Architecture of LeNet-5, a Convolutional Neural Network, here for digits recognition. Each plane is a feature map, i.e. a set of units whose weights are constrained to be identical.

- A pooling function replaces the output of the net at a certain location with a summary statistic of the nearby outputs
 - *Max pooling*: the maximum within a rectangular neighborhood
 - *Average pooling*: the mean within a rectangular neighborhood
- Pooling encourages the network to learn the *invariance* to small translations of the input
- For many tasks, pooling is essential *for handling inputs of varying size* (varying the size of an offset between pooling regions so that the final output layer always receives the same number of summary statistics regardless of the input size)

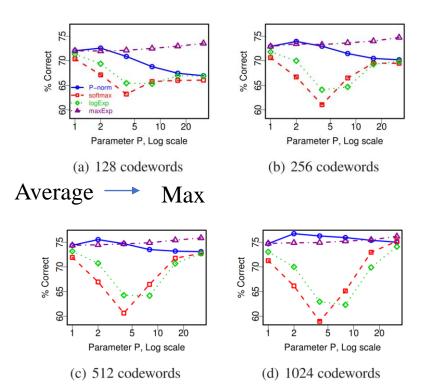
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Pooling (2)

■ Boureau2010 (mentioned in image classification task):

"Depending on the data and features, either max or average pooling may perform best. The optimal pooling type for a given classification problem may be neither max nor average pooling"



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	Max, One	31.7 ± 1.4	32.7 ± 1.3	30.4 ± 2.3
	Max, Joint		34.4 ± 0.7	$ 35.8\pm0.9 $
	SM, One	37.9 ± 0.6	40.5 ± 0.7	42.0 ± 1.4
	SM, Joint		39.4 ± 1.3	40.6 ± 0.8
15 Scenes	Avg, One	69.8 ± 0.7	68.7 ± 0.8	66.3 ± 0.7
	Avg, Joint		69.6 ± 0.7	69.2 ± 1.0
	Max, One	63.5 ± 0.6	64.8 ± 0.7	64.3 ± 0.4
	Max, Joint		65.4 ± 0.6	67.1 ± 0.6
	SM, One	67.2 ± 0.8	70.4 ± 0.7	$\textbf{72.6} \pm \textbf{0.7}$
	SM, Joint		69.2 ± 0.7	70.7 ± 0.7

- An infinitely strong prior places zero probability on some parameters and says these parameter values are completely forbidden. We can imagine CNN as being similar to a fully connected net but with an infinitely strong prior over its weights (e.g., translation invariance) and without some priors in standard neural network (e.g., *permutation invariance*)
- Convolution and pooling can cause underfitting. If a task relies on preserving precise spatial information, then using pooling on all features can increase the training error. Some CNN therefore uses pooling on some specific channels (Szegedy2014) in order to get both highly invariant features and features that will not underfit when the translation invariance prior is incorrect

Variance of the Basic Convolution Function (1)

- The convolution function used in CNN and the standard discrete convolution operation is usually different
 - The convolution in CNN is an operation that consists of many applications of convolution in parallel to extract many kinds of features at many locations
 - The input and output are grid of vector-valued observations (i.e., 3-D tensors; e.g., RGB image)
- Stride: We may want to skip over some positions of the kernel to reduce the computational cost. We can define a downsampled convolution function with stride as:

$$Z_{i,j,k} = \sum_{l,m,n} V_{l,j+m-1,k+n-1} K_{i,l,m,n}$$

i: output channel *j*: offset of rows
l: input channel *k*: offset of columns

$$Z_{i,j,k} = \sum_{l,m,n} V_{l,(j-1)*s+m,(k-1)*s+n} K_{i,l,m,n}$$

Downsampled convolution
with stride (s)

Variance of the Basic Convolution Function (2)

- To avoid shrink of the output size after the convolution, we can do *zero padding* of the input V to make it wider $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 &$
 - *valid convolution*: The output size shrinks
- *same convolution*: The output size is same with the input
- *Tiled convolution* (Gregor2010): offers a compromise between a convolutional layer and a locally connected layer (learning a separate set of weights at every spatial location to emphasize the local information). We learn a set of kernels that we rotate through as we move through space, which implies that we use different kernels at different locations.
- To back-propagate the convolution layer, we can simply see the convolution operation as a (sparse) matrix multiplication. As for the bias, it is typical to have one bias per channel of the output and share it across all locations (for tiled convolution, across same tiling patterns as the kernels)

Learning A Simple Convolutional Neural Networks

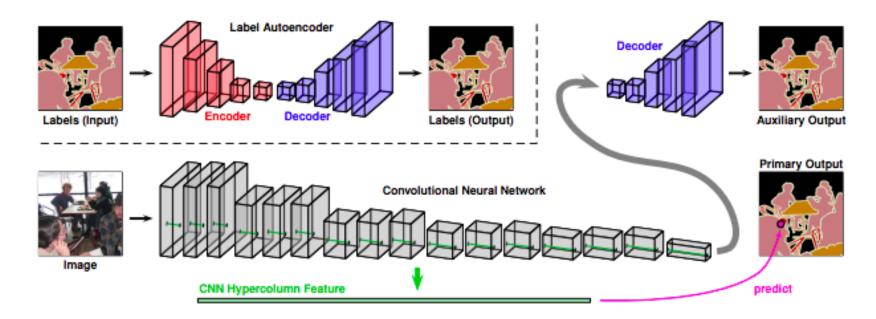
- Suppose we want to train a convolutional network that incorporates strided convolution of kernel stack *K* applied to multichannel image *V* with stride s
- Suppose the loss function is J(V, K).
 - During the back propagation, we will receive a tensor G such that $G_{i,j,k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial Z_{i,j,k}} J(V, K)$ (Z is the output of the convolution).
 - To train the network we need to compute the derivatives with respect to the weights in the kernel:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial K_{i,j,k,l}} J(V,K) = \sum_{m,n} G_{i,m,n} V_{j,(m-1)*s+k,(n-1)*s+l}$$

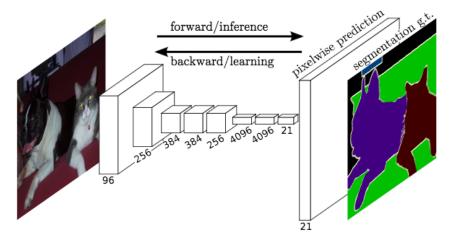
• We may need to compute the gradient with respect to the hidden layer V,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial V_{i,j,k}} J(V,K) = \sum_{l,m \text{ (s.t.}(l-1)*s+m=j) n,p \text{ (s.t.}(n-1)*s+p=k} K_{q,i,m,p} G_{q,l,n}$$

- Convolutional networks can be used to output a highdimensional *structured object* (e.g., semantic segmentation)
 - The issue is the output dimension can be smaller then input due to the pooling layers with large stride. To overcome this issue:
 - a. Produce an initial guess at low resolution, then refine it using graphical model such as CRF/MRF
 - b. Use *upsampling/unpooling layer* to increase the output size



- One advantage to fully-convolutional neural networks is that they can process inputs with varying size of images in training/test data (note that valid for only spatial variation)
- If we put the dense layer with convolution layer (e.g., for assigning label to an entire image), we need some additional design steps, like inserting a pooling layer whose pooling regions scale in size proportional to the size of the input to maintain a fixed number of pooled outputs



Long et al., "Fully convolutional networks for semantic segmentation", In CVPR2015

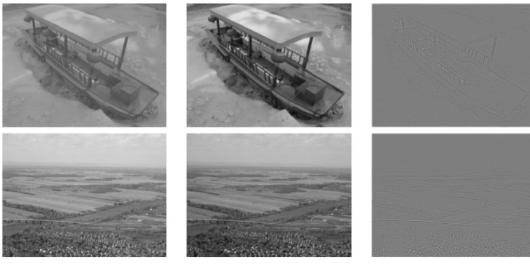
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		CT scans.	the width of the video frame.

Random and Unsupervised Features

- The forward/backward propagation for the supervised training of CNN is time consuming. One way to reduce the cost of convolutional neural network training is to use features that are not trained in a supervised fashion
- One is to initialize them randomly (e.g., Jarrett2009), another is to design them by hand (e.g., edge detector). Finally, one can learn the kernels with an unsupervised criterion (e.g., Coates2011 applied k-means clustering to small image patches then use each learned centroid as convolution kernel)
- A *greedy layer-wise pretraining* (e.g., Lee2009) train the first layer in isolation, then extract all features from the first layer only once then train the second layer in isolation and so on.

Today, it is common to learn the CNN in purely supervised manner

- In computer vision applications, images should be standardized so that their pixels all lie in the same reasonable range (e.g., [0,1]). Mixing different ranges results in failure. The common procedure is to subtract the mean from each image and divide it by std (*global contrast normalization*) or do it per local region (*local contrast normalization*). The result is the image of zero-mean and one-std
- The images should have the same aspect ratio (generally square) achieved by clopping and scaling



Input image

GCN

Design of the Hyperparameters in CNN

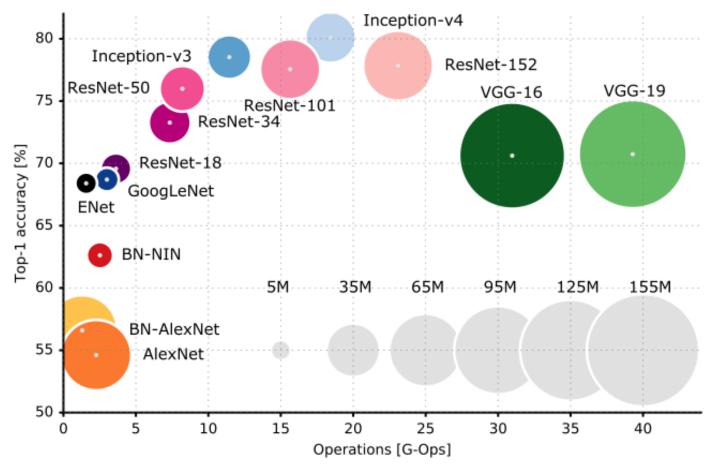
Hyperparameter	Increases capacity when	Reason	Caveats
Number of hid- den units	increased	Increasing the number of hidden units increases the representational capacity of the model.	Increasing the number of hidden units increases both the time and memory cost of essentially every op- eration on the model.
Learning rate	tuned op- timally	An improper learning rate, whether too high or too low, results in a model with low effective capac- ity due to optimization fail- ure.	
Convolution ker- nel width	increased	Increasing the kernel width increases the number of pa- rameters in the model.	A wider kernel results in a narrower output di- mension, reducing model capacity unless you use implicit zero padding to reduce this effect. Wider kernels require more mem- ory for parameter storage and increase runtime, but a narrower output reduces memory cost.
Implicit zero padding	increased	Adding implicit zeros be- fore convolution keeps the representation size large.	Increases time and mem- ory cost of most opera- tions.
Weight decay co- efficient	decreased	Decreasing the weight de- cay coefficient frees the model parameters to be- come larger.	
Dropout rate	decreased	Dropping units less often gives the units more oppor- tunities to "conspire" with each other to fit the train- ing set.	

Table 11.1: The effect of various hyperparameters on model capacity.

Applications of CNN

Image Classification

- ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Competition (ILSVRC): 1.2M for training, 150K for test.
- Object localization for 1000 categories, object detection for 200 categories, object detection from video for 30 categories





LeNet and Its Variance

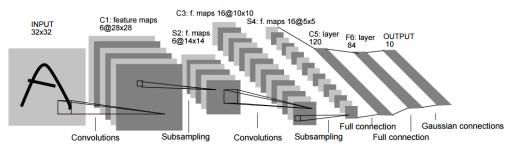
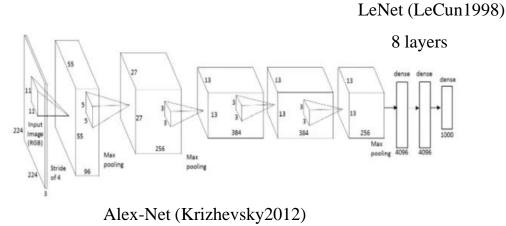
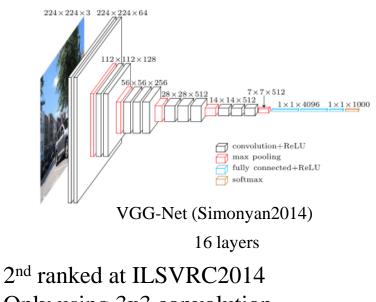


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8 layers

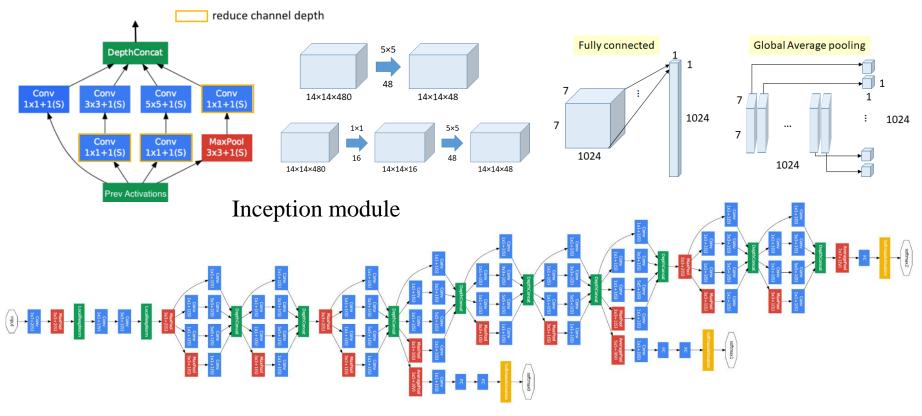
- Deeper, with more filters per layer, max pooling, dropout, data augmentation, ReLu activation, SGD with momentum (9% improvement in accuracy from the last year's challenge)



- Only using 3x3 convolution
- Similar to AlexNet but more filters
- The pretrained weight is publicly available

GoogLeNet and Inception Module

- *Google-Net* (Segedy2014): Won ILSVRC2014 (22 Layers)
- 1x1 convolution is used as a dimension reduction
- Global average pooling is introduced by averaging feature map from 7x7 to 1x1 to remove the weights for FCN layers



https://medium.com/coinmonks/paper-review-of-googlenet-inception-v1-winner-of-ilsvlc-2014-image-classification-c2b3565a64e7

Deep Residual Networks

- *ResNet* (He2015): Won ILSVRC2015 (152 layers)
- Basic concept is "More Layers is Better"
- To avoid vanishing gradient problem, the residual function H(x) = F(x) + x is introduced which allows the gradient being rapidly propagated through the network when applying backprop

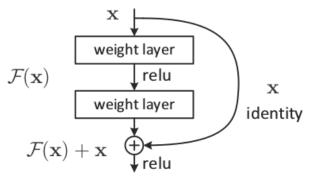
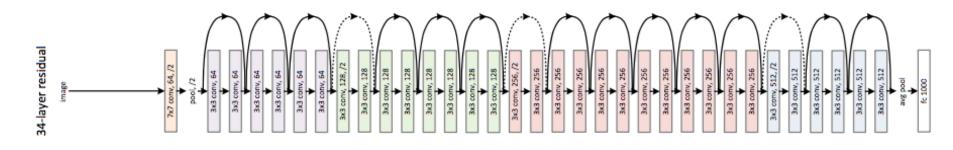
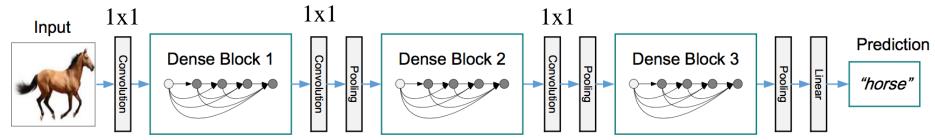


Figure 2. Residual learning: a building block.



Densely Connected Convolutional Networks

DenseNets (Huang2017): introduces direct connections between any two layers with the same feature-map size. The idea behind is "it may be useful to reference feature maps from earlier in the network"



DenseNets require substantially fewer parameters and less computation to achieve state-of-the-art performance

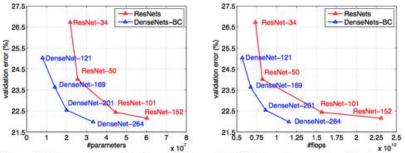
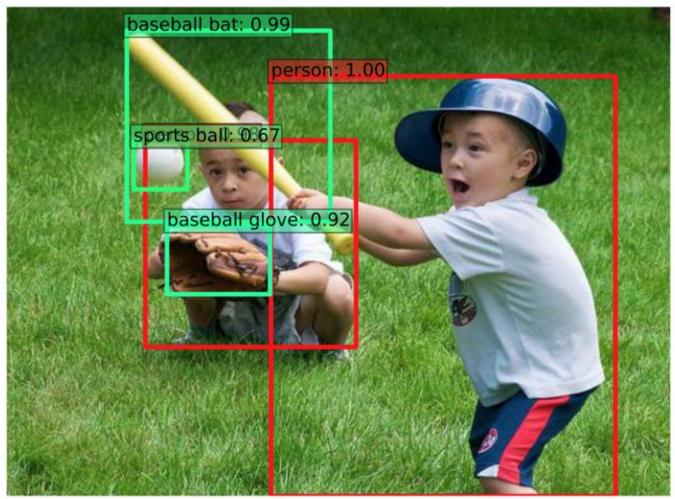


Figure 3: Comparison of the DenseNets and ResNets top-1 error rates (single-crop testing) on the ImageNet validation dataset as a function of learned parameters (*left*) and FLOPs during test-time (*right*).

Object Detection (1)

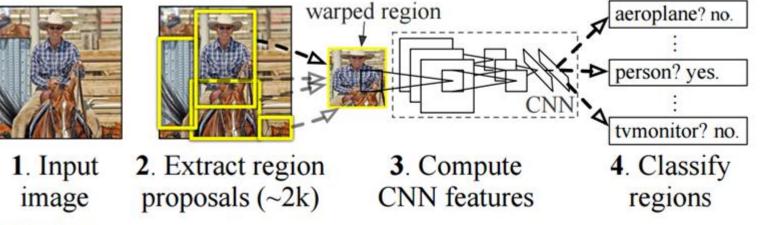
Object detection task in the context of deep neural networks asks "where the object is" as well as "what is the object"



From Liu2014

Object Detection (2)

Regions with Convolutional Neural Networks (R-CNN; Girshick2013): (a) extract region proposals (b) where CNN is applied for extracting features, (c) which are then classified using SVM, (d) then bounding box regression is applied
 The original R-CNN introduces *selective search* (hierarchical grouping) for region extraction: (a) initial candidate regions, (b) use greedy algorithm to merge similar regions into larger one

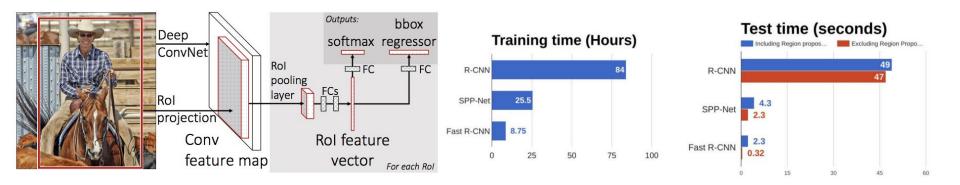


R-CNN: Regions with CNN features

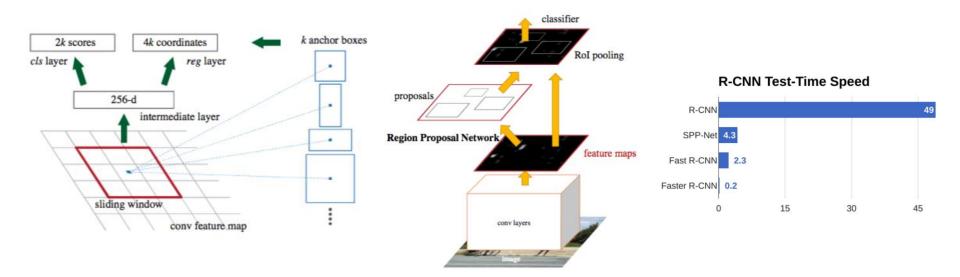
R-CNN workflow

Object Detection (3)

- Problems in R-CNN:
 - It trains classification/bounding box regression *independently*, therefore it takes large time to train the network and cannot be real time in test (47sec for one image)
- Fast R-CNN (Girshick2015): (a) Firstly, extracting features from an entire image and then using RoI projection to extract features at each region. (b) classification/bounding box regression are trained simultaneously using the multi-task loss



- Problems in Fast R-CNN:
 - It still requires the time-consuming region proposal extraction, therefore the framework is not actually end-to-end
- Faster R-CNN (Ren2015): introduced the region proposal network to learn the extraction of region proposal which allows an end-to-end learning (5fps on GPU)





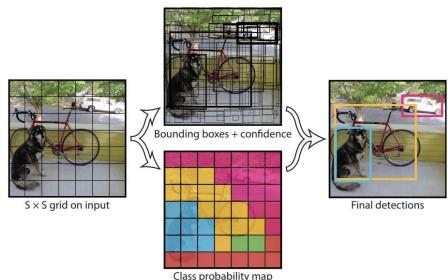
Object detection in the wild by Faster R-CNN + ResNet-101

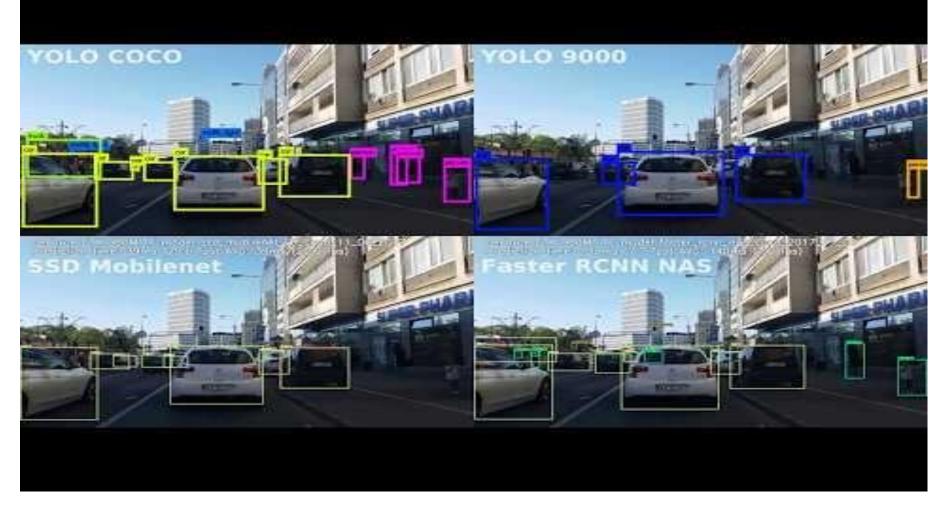
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZmSMkK9VuA

Object Detection (5)

YOLO (You Only Look Once; Redmon2016): unlike previous algorithms that are "proposal extraction + classification", YOLO uses a single CNN to predicts the bounding boxes and the class probabilities for the box (use information outside the local region)
 YOLO takes an image and split it into grid, within each of the grid bounding boxes are taken. The bounding boxes whose class probability is above a threshold is selected to locate the object
 2x faster but less accurate than Faster R-CNN. It is also weak for

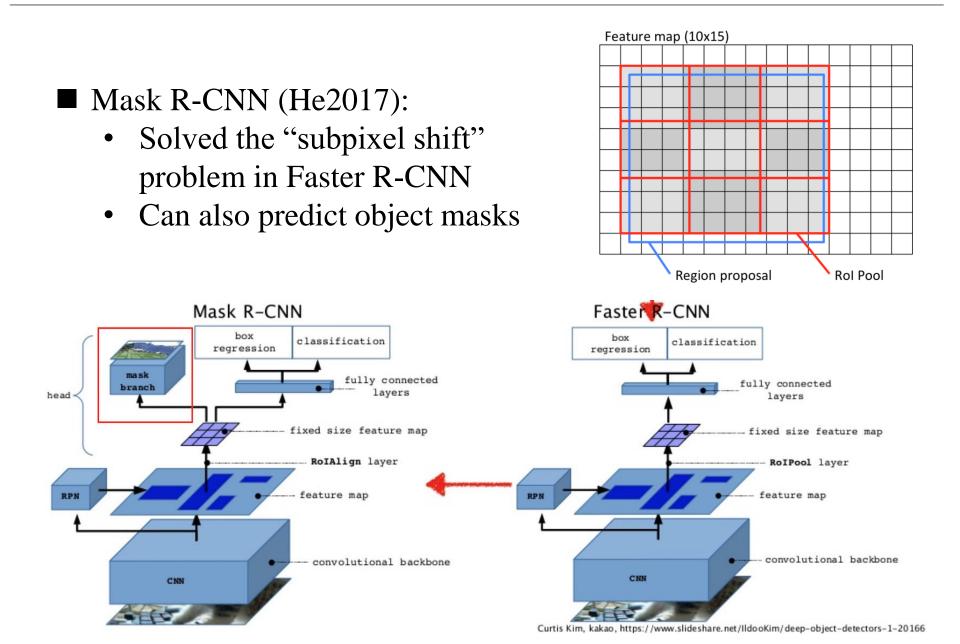
small objects





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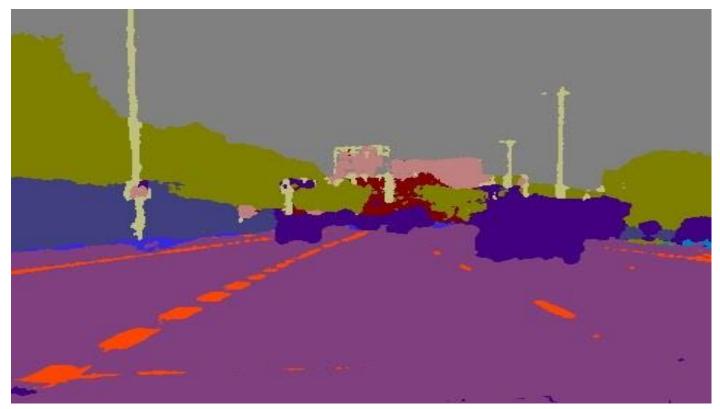
Object Detection (6)





Semantic Segmentation (1)

Semantic segmentation task is to predict a *pixel-wise* instance label corresponding to an input image or vide frames
 VOC2012 and MSCOCO are important benchmark datasets
 Unlike other CNN tasks, the output is *structured (e.g., image)*



SegNet: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxanE_W46ts

Semantic Segmentation (2)

■ The standard strategy is to use the *encoder-decoder* architecture

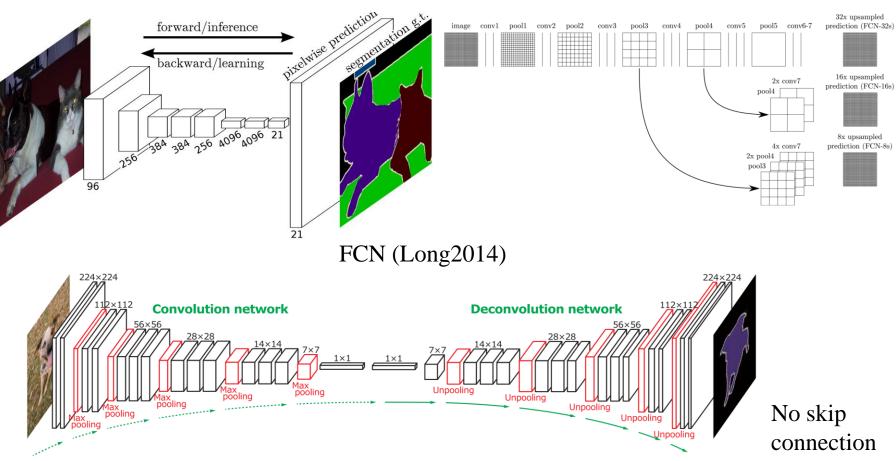
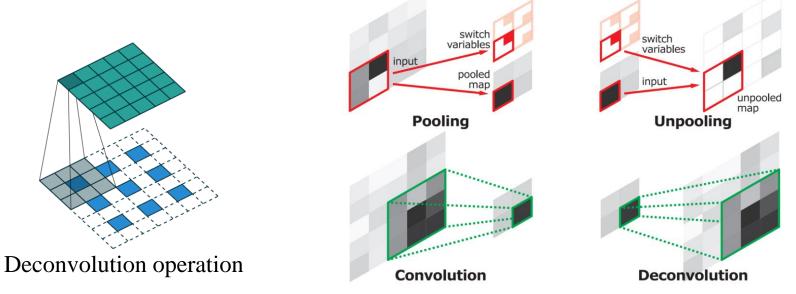


Figure 2. Overall architecture of the proposed network. On top of the convolution network based on VGG 16-layer net, we put a multilayer deconvolution network to generate the accurate segmentation map of an input proposal. Given a feature representation obtained from the convolution network, dense pixel-wise class prediction map is constructed through multiple series of unpooling, deconvolution and rectification operations. DeconvNet (Noh2015)

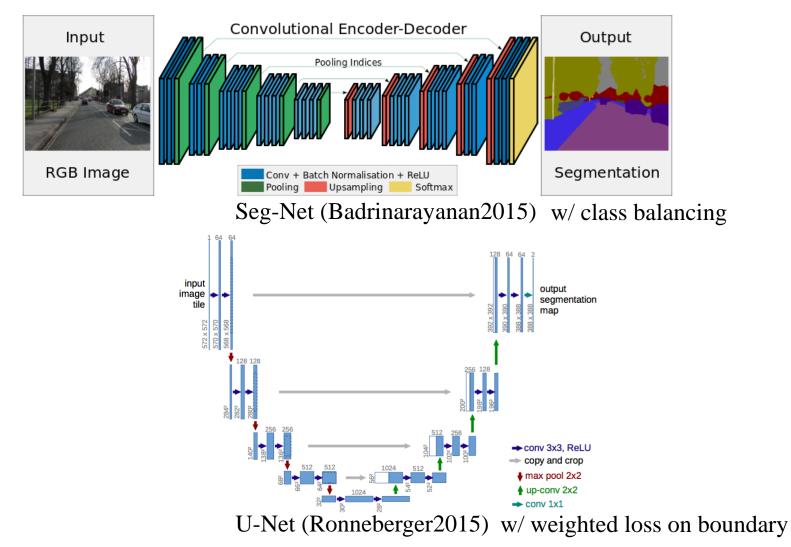
Semantic Segmentation (3)

- Unpooling: the reverse operation of max pooling. It recodes the locations of maximum activations selected during pooling operation in switch variables, which are employed to place each activation back to its original pooled location
- Deconvolution (transposed convolution): densify the sparse activations obtained by unpooling through convolution-like operations with multiple learned filters



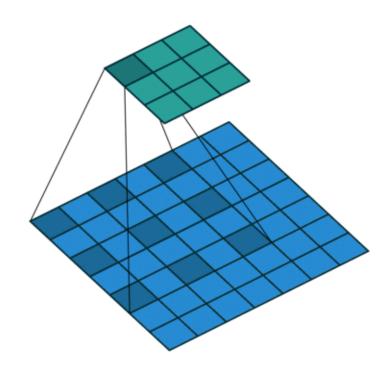
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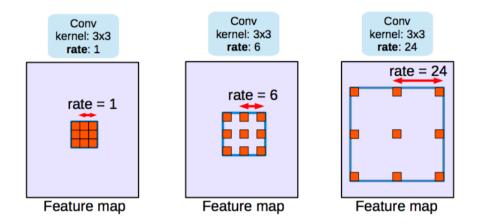
Skip connection is a very powerful tool to keep the original resolution and propagate loss effectively in back propagation



Semantic Segmentation (6)

Other than the encoder-decoder like net, we can use the *dilated convolution* (Yu2015) *without using pooling* to keep the original resolution





Layer	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
Convolution	3×3	3×3	3×3	3×3	3×3	3×3	3×3	1×1		
Dilation	1	1	2	4	8	16	1	1		
Truncation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		
Receptive field	3×3	5×5	9×9	17×17	33×33	65×65	67×67	67×67		
Output channels										
Basic	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C		
Large	2C	2C	4C	8C	16C	32C	32C	C		

Semantic Segmentation (7)

• One of the current state-of-the-art works (Bulo2018)

Winner of Robust Vision Challenge 2018 (Semantic Segmentation)

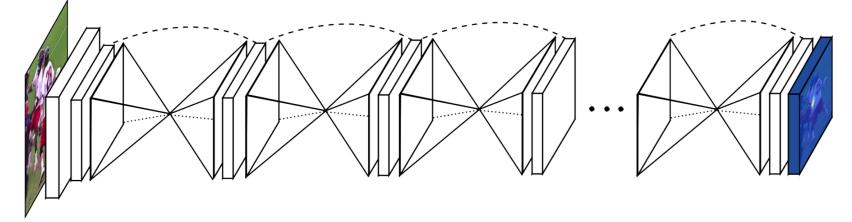
	Method	KITTI (Detailed subrankings)	ScanNet (Detailed subrankings)	Cityscapes (Detailed subrankings)	WildDash (Detailed subrankings)						
1	MapillaryAI_ROB	1	1	1	1						
	In-Place Activated BatchNorm for Memory-Optimized Training of DNNs										
2	LDN2_ROB	3	2	2	3						
	Ladder-style DenseNets for Semantic Segmentation of Large Natural Images										
3	IBN-PSP-SA_ROB	2	3	3	4						



https://blog.mapillary.com/update/2018/06/14/robust-cv.html

Other Important Architectures (1)

Stacked Hourglass Networks (Newell2016) was proposed to extract multi-scale feature extraction *in a single path* SHNet consists of multiple encoder-decoder networks with skip connections





Other Important Architectures (2)

Deep learning on 3-D data (e.g., voxel, point could) is a challenging task due to the high-dimensinoality. The main approaches are categorized into two: (a) 3-D CNN on regular voxels, (b) 3-D CNN on irregular point cloud (or graph). An example of the latter approach was given by Su2018 with BCL (bilateral convolution layer)

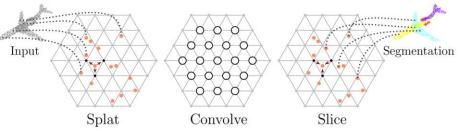


Figure 2: **Bilateral Convolution Layer.** Splat: BCL first interpolates input features F onto a d_l -dimensional permutohedral lattice defined by the lattice features L at input points. Convolve: BCL then does d_l -dimensional convolution over this sparsely populated lattice. Slice: The filtered signal is then interpolated back onto the input signal. For illustration, input and output are shown as point cloud and the corresponding segmentation labels.

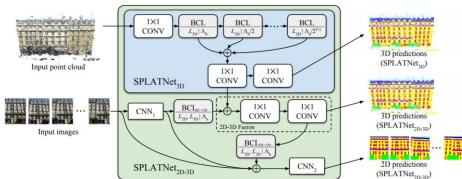
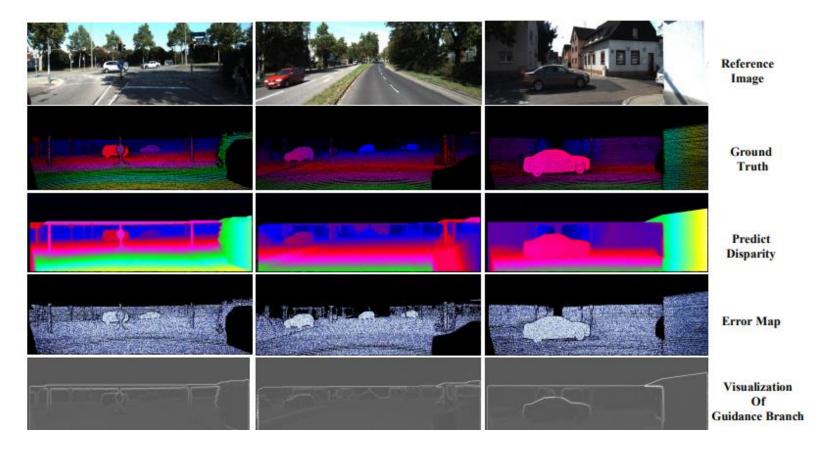


Figure 3: SPLATNet. Illustration of inputs, outputs and network architectures for SPLATNet_{3D} and SPLATNet_{2D-3D}.

Other Important Architectures (3)

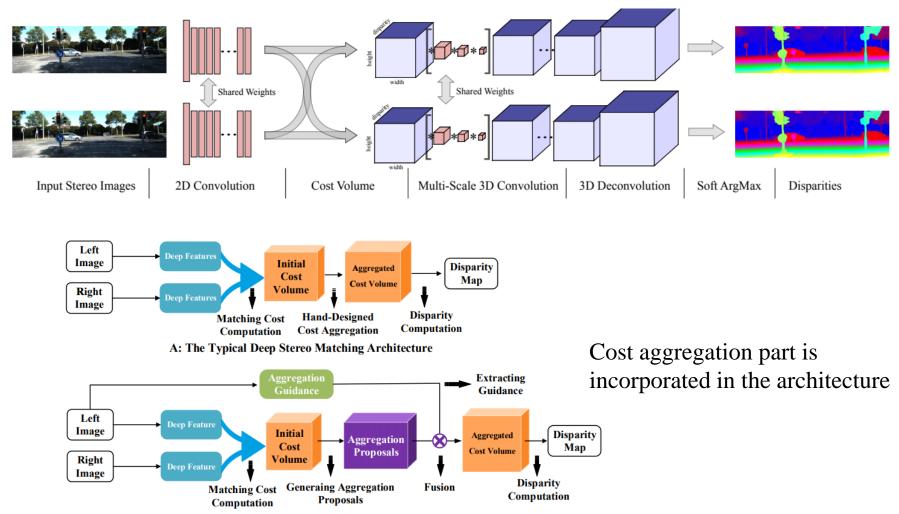
Stereo matching is an important 3-D vision task to achieve the autonomous driving car. The input is two or more images instead of one (in similar with the optical flow estimation)



Kendall, Alex, et al. "End-to-End Learning of Geometry and Context for Deep Stereo Regression, 2016

Other Important Architectures (4)

The recent trend is to use the end-to-end stereo regression model:

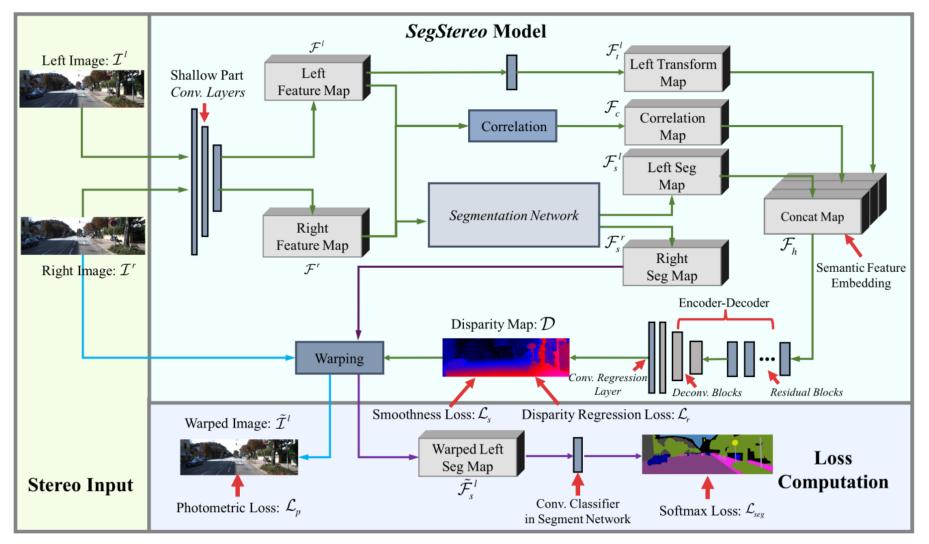


B: The Proposed Stereo Matching with Explicit Cost Aggregation Sub-Architecture

Similar concept in "Yu et al., Deep Stereo Matching with Explicit Cost Aggregation Sub-Architecture, 2018" Introduced the concept of "Joint Filtering on Cost Volume"

Other Important Architectures (5)

■ The multi-task training is one of the most interesting topics



Yang et.al., SegStereo: Exploiting Semantic Information for Disparity Estimation, ECCV2018

Other Important Architectures (6)

Unsupervised CNN is a new topic to train the network without training data. The CNN is combined with traditional model-based approaches to compute the loss (e.g., window-based stereo matching)

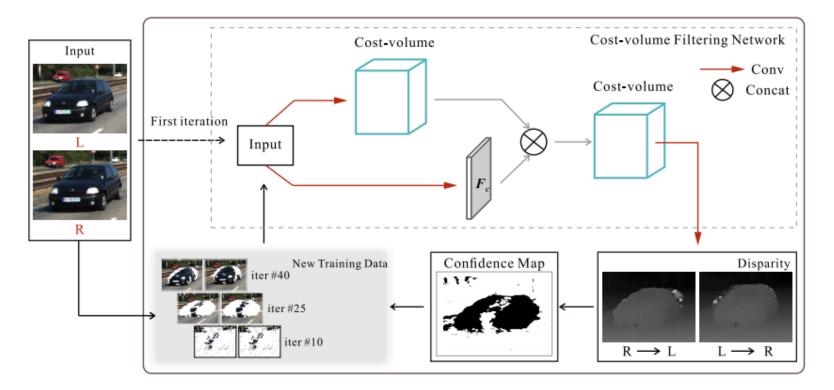
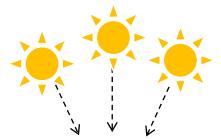


Figure 3: Our iterative unsupervised training framework consists of four parts: disparity prediction, confidence map estimation, training data selection and network training.

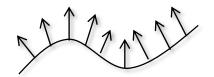
Zhou et al., Unsupervised Learning of Stereo Matching, ICCV2017

Introduction of My Work Photometric Stereo

Photometric Stereo











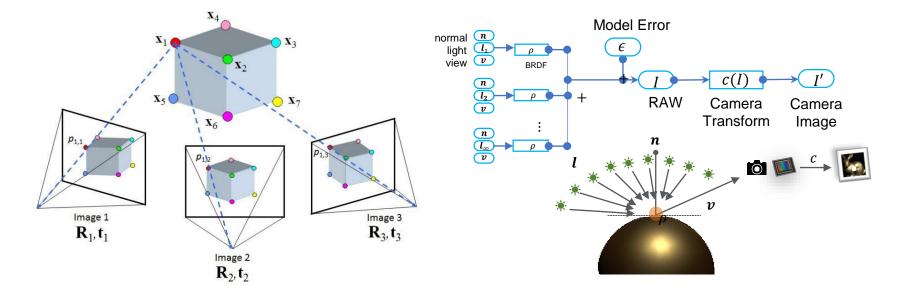




Imaged-based 3D Modeling

Geometrical

Optical



Inverse Projection

SLAM, SfM, Multi-view Stereo

Inverse Light Transport

Photometric Stereo ($\#IMG \ge 2$), Shape-from-Shading (#IMG = 1),

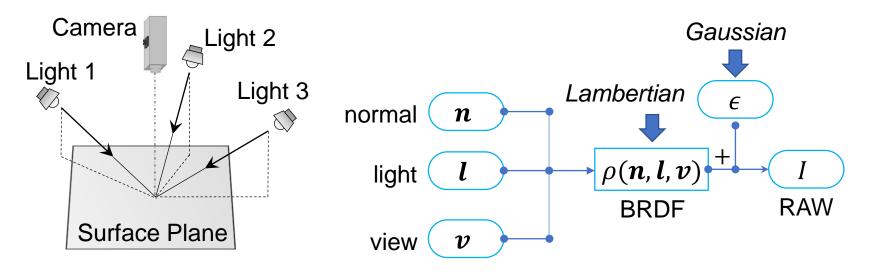
The First Photometric Stereo Algorithm (Woodham1980)



If following assumptions are held,

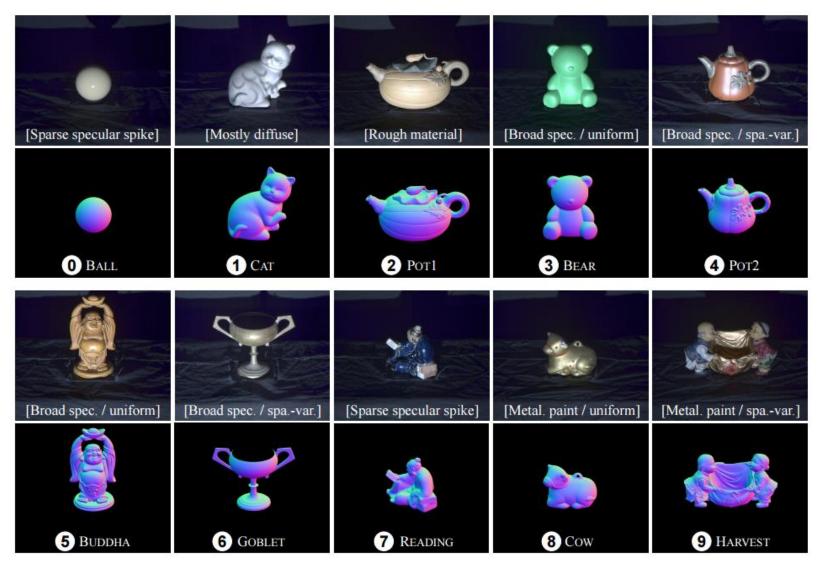
- Lambertian reflectance
- known directional light sources
- no shadows and ambient(natural) illumination

Surface normals are uniquely recovered from images under three different illumination



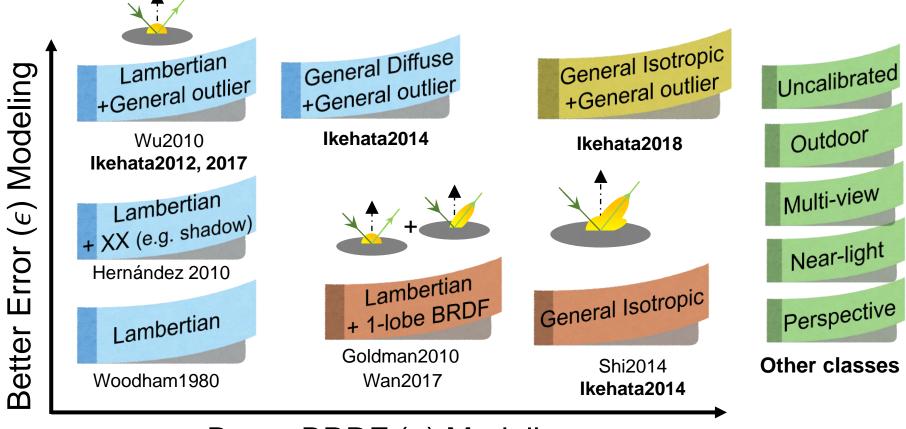
R. J. Woodham, Photometric Method for Determining Surface Orientation from Multiple Images. Optical Engineering 19(1)139–144 (1980).

Unfortunately, Real Scenes Are NOT Lambertian



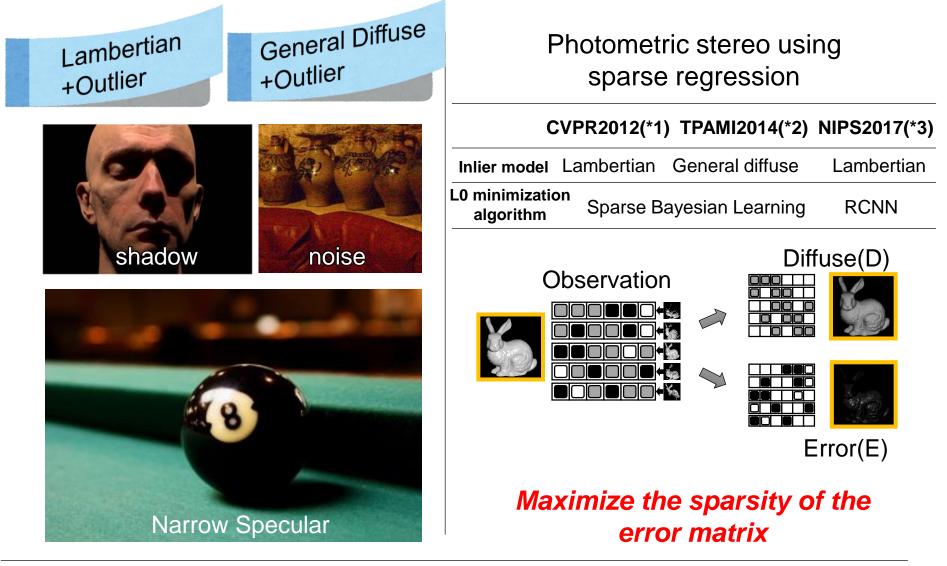
A Benchmark Dataset and Evaluation for Non-Lambertian and Uncalibrated Photometric Stereo Boxin Shi, Zhe Wu, Zhipeng Mo, Dinglong Duan, Sai-Kit Yeung, and Ping Tan In Proc. IEEE Conf. on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR) Las Vegas, NV, USA, Jun. 2016

BRDF/Error Modeling in Calibrated Non-Lambertian Photometric Stereo



Better BRDF (ρ) Modeling

For Better Outlier Handling



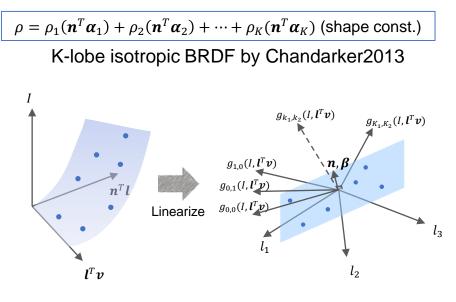
S. Ikehata, D. Wipf, Y. Matsushita and K. Aizawa, "Robust Photometric Stereo Using Sparse Regression", *CVPR2012* S. Ikehata, D. Wipf, Y. Matsushita and K. Aizawa, "Photometric Stereo using Sparse Bayesian Regression for General Diffuse Surfaces", *IEEE TPAMI, 2014* Hao He, Bo Xin, Satoshi Ikehata, David Wipf, "From Sparse Bayesian Learning to Deep Recurrent Nets", *NIPS2017 (Oral)*

For General Isotropic Materials





K-lobe-isotropic-BRDF-based PS [CVPR2014(*1)]



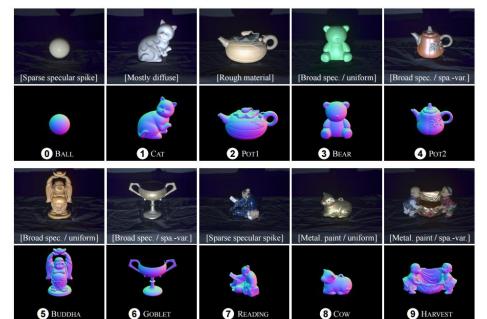
- Non-linear model
 Linear model
- Non-linear constraints · Linear constraints

Solve the dual problem in a tractable form

[1] S. Ikehata and K. Aizawa, "Photometric Stereo using Constrained Bivariate Regression for Spatially Varying Isotropic Surfaces", CVPR2014 (Oral)

DiLiGenT Benchmark (Shi2016)

 Photometric stereo image dataset with calibrated Directional Lightings, objects of General reflectance, and ground Truth shapes (normals)

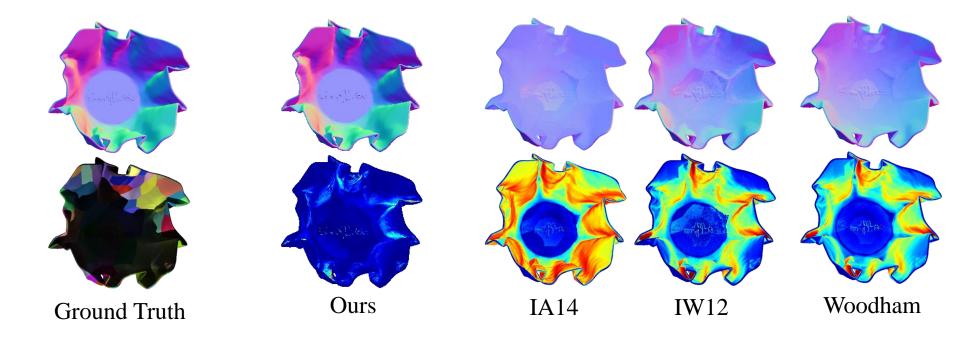


	BALL	CAT	POT1	BEAR	POT2	BUDDHA	GOBLET	READING	COW	HARVEST		
BASELINE	4.10	8.41	8.89	8.39	14.65	14.92	18.50	19.80	25.60	30.62		
WG10	2.06	6.73	7.18	6.50	13.12	10.91	15.70	15.39	25.89	30.01		
IW14	2.54	7.21	7.74	7.32	14.09	11.11	16.25	16.17	25.70	29.26		
GC10	3.21	8.22	8.53	6.62	7.90							
AZ08	2.71	6.53	7.23	5.96	11.0; Be	11.0; Best accuracy in robust approaches						
HM10	3.55	8.40	10.85	11.48	16.37	13.05	14.89	16.82	14.95	21.79		
ST12	13.58	12.34	10.37	19.44	9.84	18.37	17.80	17.17	7.62	19.30		
ST14	1.74	6.12	6.51	6.12	8.78	10.60	10.09	13.63	13.93	25.44		
IA14	3.34	6.74	6.64	7.11	8.77	10.47	9.71	14.19	13.05	25.95		
AM07	7.27	31.45	18.37	16.81	4^^	00.04	10 5 1	50.05		0 4 7 0		
SM10	8.90	19.84	16.68	11.98	5 Best	Best accuracy without specular remov						
PF14	4.77	9.54	9.51	9.07	15.90	14.92	29.93	24.18	19.53	29.21		
WT13	4.39	36.55	9.39	6.42	14.52	13.19	20.57	58.96	19.75	55.51		

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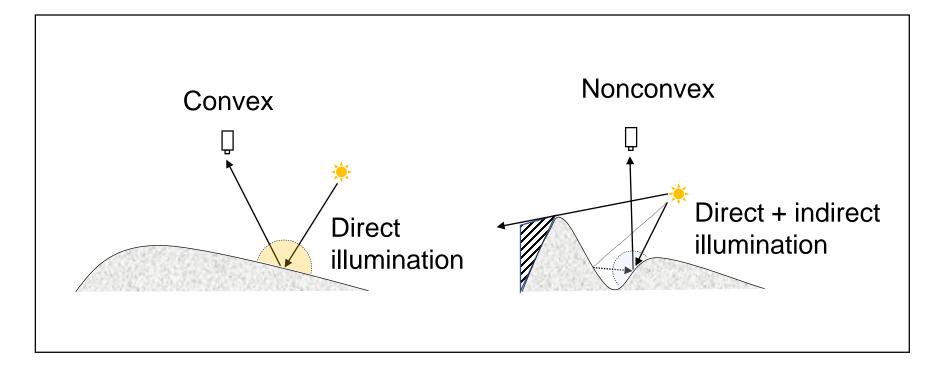
CNN-based Photometric Stereo for General Non-Convex Surfaces

Satoshi Ikehata In Proc. of European Conference on Computer Vision, 2018 (ECCV2018)



Photometric Stereo for Non-Convex Surfaces

Multiple interactions of light and surface are difficult to be modeled in a mathematically tractable form

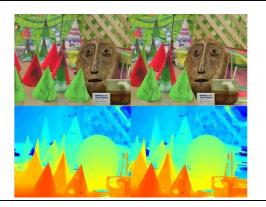


Can neural networks represent this complicated interaction?

Challenges in PS with Deep Learning

Structured Input

Unstructured Input



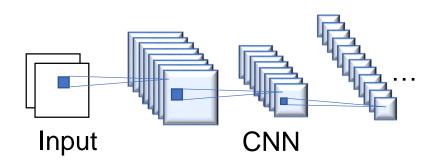
Two-view stereo



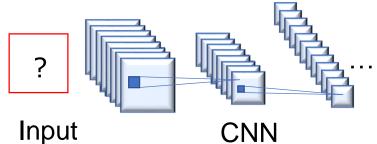
Multi-view stereo

Photometric stereo

Fixed size input (LR images)

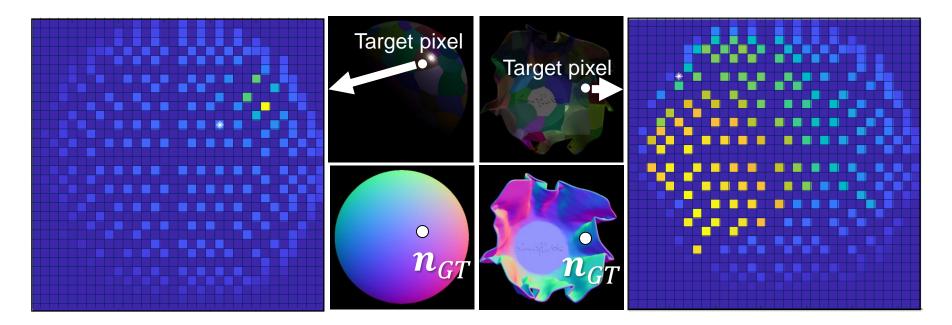


Unordered, hundreds of images (+ lighting direction)



Solution: 2-D Observation map as Input of CNN

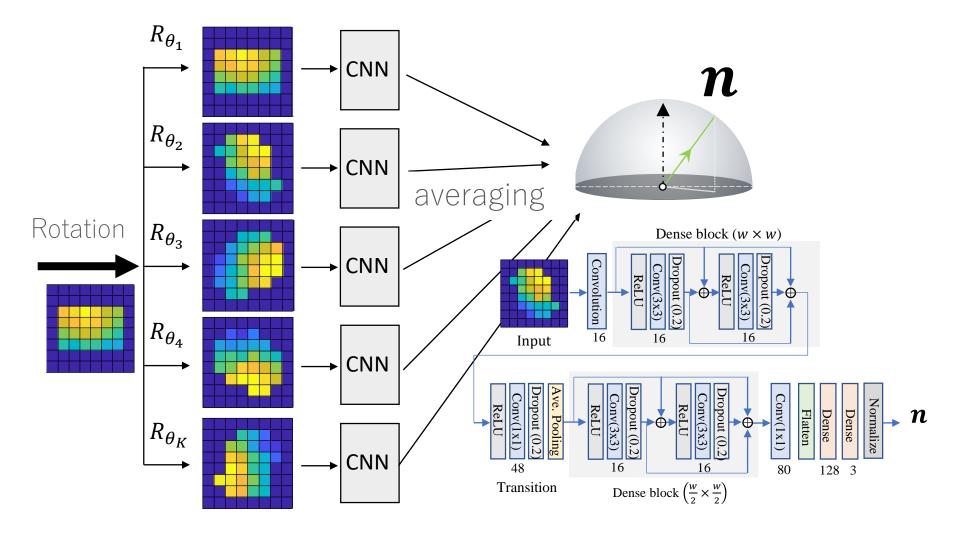
All the photometric stereo inputs (images, lights) per pixel are merged to a fixed-size, intermediate representation called **observation map**. An observation map reasonably encodes the geometry, material and behavior of the light at around a surface point



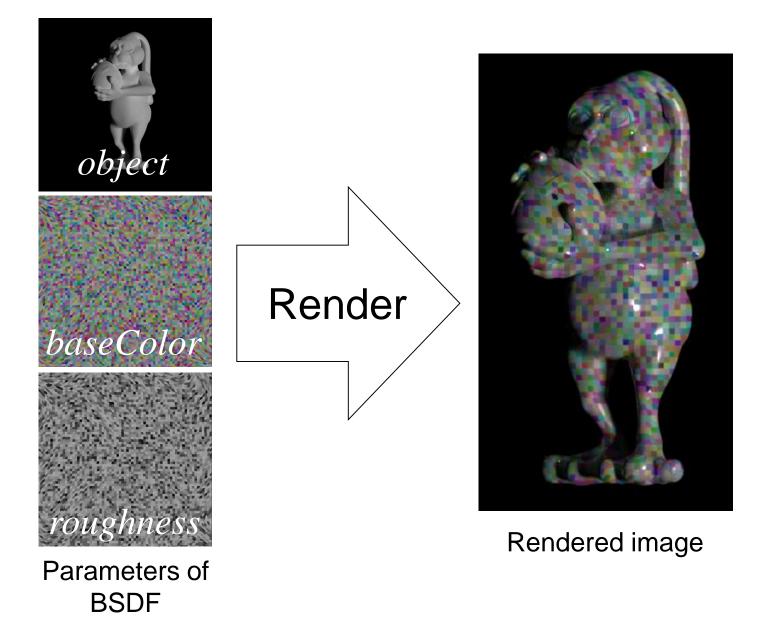
Projecting observations to a 2-D map based on *the light directions* $O_{\text{int}(w(l_x+1)/2),\text{int}(w(l_y+1)/2)} = \alpha I_j/L_j \ \forall j \in 1, \cdots, m,$

Surface Normal Prediction from Observation Maps

We take into account the rotational pseudo-invariance of the observation map that is derived from the isotropic constraint



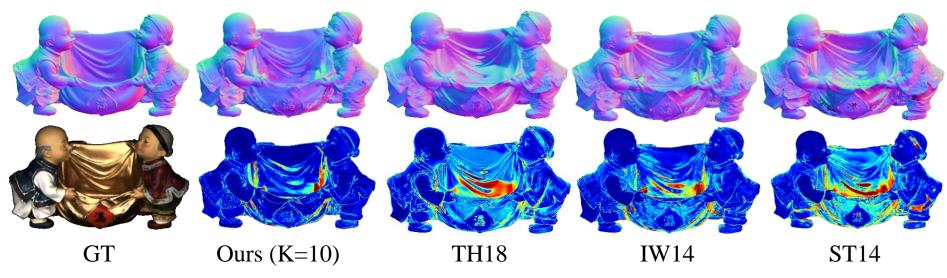
Synthetic Dataset for Training Networks



Experimental Results

Table. Quantitative comparison on *DiLiGenT* Dataset

	BALL	BEAR	BUDDHA	CAT	COW	GOBLET	HARVEST	POT1	POT2	READING	AVE. ERR
OURS	2.2	4.1	7.9	4.6	8.0	7.3	14.0	5.4	6.0	12.6	7.2
HS17 [20]	1.3	5.6	8.5	4.9	8.2	7.6	15.8	5.2	6.4	12.1	7.6
TM18 [21]	1.5	5.8	10.4	5.4	6.3	11.5	22.6	6.1	7.8	11.0	8.8
IW14 [7]	2.0	4.8	8.4	5.4	13.3	8.7	18.9	6.9	10.2	12.0	9.0
SS17 [19]	2.0	6.3	12.7	6.5	8.0	11.3	16.9	7.1	7.9	15.5	9.4
ST14 [18]	1.7	6.1	10.6	6.1	13.9	10.1	25.4	6.5	8.8	13.6	10.3
SH17 [25]	2.2	5.3	9.3	5.6	16.8	10.5	24.6	7.3	8.4	13.0	10.3
IA14 [17]	3.3	7.1	10.5	6.7	13.1	9.7	26.0	6.6	8.8	14.2	10.6
GC10 [14]	3.2	6.6	14.9	8.2	9.6	14.2	27.8	8.5	7.9	19.1	12.0
BASELINE [12]	4.1	8.4	14.9	8.4	25.6	18.5	30.6	8.9	14.7	19.8	15.4



HARVEST, 96 lightings