#### Learning Deep Generative Models

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# Long-term Goal



Learn progressively complex highlevel representations.

Use bottom-up + top-down cues.

Build high-level representations from large unlabeled datasets.

Labeled data is used to only slightly adjust the model for a specific task.

# Challenges



Deep models are composed of several layers of nonlinear modules.

Associated loss functions are almost always non-convex.

Many bad local optima makes deep models very difficult to optimize.

Idea: learn one layer at a time.

# **Key Requirements**



Online Learning.

Learning should scale to large datasets, containing millions or billions examples.

Inferring high-level representation should be fast: fraction of a second.

Demo.

#### Autoencoders



Consider having D binary visible units  $\mathbf{v}$  and K binary hidden units  $\mathbf{h}$ .

Idea: transform data into a (low-dimensional) code and then reconstruct the data from the code.

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Minimize reconstruction error:

$$\min_{W} \text{Loss}(\mathbf{v}, \hat{\mathbf{v}}, W) + \text{Penalty}(\mathbf{h}, W)$$

Loss functions: cross-entropy or squared loss.

Typically, one imposes  $l_1$  regularization on hidden units **h** and  $l_2$  regularization on parameters W (related to sparse coding).

### **Building Block: RBM's**

Probabilistic Analog: Restricted Boltzmann Machines.



Visible stochastic binary units  $\mathbf{v}$  are connected to hidden stochastic binary feature detectors  $\mathbf{h}$ :

$$P(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}(W)} \exp\left[\sum_{ij} v_i h_j W_{ij}\right]$$

Markov Random Fields, Log-linear Models, Boltzmann machines.

#### **Building Block: RBM's**



$$P(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}(W)} \exp\left[\sum_{ij} v_i h_j W_{ij}\right],$$

where  $\mathcal{Z}(W)$  is known as a partition function:

$$\mathcal{Z}(W) = \sum_{\mathbf{h},\mathbf{v}} \exp\left[\sum_{ij} v_i h_j W_{ij}\right].$$

### Inference with RBM's

$$P(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \exp\left(\sum_{ij} v_i h_j W_{ij}\right)$$

Conditional distributions over hidden and visible units are given by logistic functions:

$$p(h_j = 1 | \mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\sum_i v_i W_{ij})}$$
$$p(v_i = 1 | \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\sum_j h_j W_{ji})}$$

**Key Observation:** Given  $\mathbf{v}$ , we can easily infer the distribution over hidden units.

## Learning with RBM's

$$P_{model}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} P(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \sum_{\mathbf{h}} \exp\left(\sum_{ij} v_i h_j W_{ij}\right)$$

Maximum Likelihood learning:

$$\frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{v})}{\partial W_{ij}} = \mathbf{E}_{P_{data}}[v_i h_j] - \mathbf{E}_{P_{model}}[v_i h_j],$$

where  $P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{v}) = P(\mathbf{h}|\mathbf{v})P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{v})$ , with  $P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{v})$  representing the empirical distribution.

However, computing  $E_{P_{model}}$  is difficult due to the presence of a partition function  $\mathcal{Z}$ .

## **Contrastive Divergence**



Maximum Likelihood learning:

$$\Delta W_{ij} = \mathcal{E}_{P_{data}}[v_i h_j] - \mathcal{E}_{P_{model}}[v_i h_j]$$

Contrastive Divergence learning:

$$\Delta W_{ij} = \mathcal{E}_{P_{data}}[v_i h_j] - \mathcal{E}_{P_T}[v_i h_j]$$

 $P_T$  represents a distribution defined by running a Gibbs chain, initialized at the data, for T full steps.

## Learning with RBM's





#### **MNIST** Digits

#### NORB 3D Objects

#### Learned W





# Learning with RBM's

#### **Extracted Features**

Input









### **Modeling Documents**

Restricted Boltzmann Machines: 2-layer modules.



- Visible units are multinomials over word counts.
- Hidden units are topic detectors.

#### **Extracted Latent Topics**



## **Collaborative Filtering**

Form of Matrix Factorization.



- Visible units are multinomials over rating values.
- Hidden units are user preference detectors.

Used in Netflix competition.

# Deep Belief Networks (DBN's)

- There are limitations on the types of structure that can be represented efficiently by a single layer of hidden variables.
- We would like to **efficiently** learn multi-layer models using a large supply of high-dimensional highlystructured unlabeled sensory input.



Greedy, layer-by-layer learning:

- Learn and Freeze  $W^1$ .
- Sample  $\mathbf{h}^1 \sim P(\mathbf{h}^1 | \mathbf{v}; W^1)$ . Treat  $\mathbf{h}^1$  as if it were data.
- Learn and Freeze  $W^2$ .

. . .

Learn high-level representations.



Under certain conditions adding an extra layer always improves a lower bound on the log probability of data.

Each layer of features captures high-order correlations between the activities of units in the layer below.

#### $1^{st}$ -layer features



#### $2^{nd}$ -layer features



## **Density Estimation**

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**DBN** samples

Mixture of Bernoulli's

MoB, test log-prob: DBN, test log-prob: -137.64 per digit. -85.97 per digit.

Difference of over 50 nats is quite large.





Pretraining consists of learning a stack of RBMs.

Each RBM has only one layer of feature detectors.



The learned feature activations of one RBM are used as the data for training the next RBM in the stack.



After pretraining multiple layers, the model is unrolled to create a deep autoencoder

Initially encoder and decoder networks use the same weights.

The global fine-tuning uses backpropagation through the whole autoencoder to fine-tune the weights for optimal reconstruction.



We used a  $25 \times 25$ -2000-1000-500-30 autoencoder to extract 30-D real-valued codes for Olivetti face patches (7 hidden layers is usually hard to train).



**Top** Random samples from the test dataset; **Middle** reconstructions by the 30-dimensional deep autoencoder; and **Bottom** reconstructions by 30-dimensional PCA.

# **Dimensionality Reduction**



The Reuters Corpus: 804,414 newswire stories. Simple "bag-of-words" representation. 2000-500-250-125-2 autoencoder.

### **Document Retrieval**

Precision-recall curves when a 10-D query document from the test set is used to retrieve other test set documents, averaged over 402,207 possible queries.



### **Semi-supervised Learning**

- Given a set of *i.i.d* labeled training samples  $\{\mathbf{x}_l, y_l\}$ .
- Discriminative models model  $p(y_l | \mathbf{x}_l; \theta)$  directly (logistic regression, Gaussian process, SVM's).
- For many applications we have a large supply of highdimensional unlabeled data  $\{\mathbf{x}_u\}$ .
- Need to make some assumptions about the input data  $\{\mathbf{x}_u\}$ .
- Otherwise unlabeled data is of no use.

## **Semi-supervised Learning**

Key points of learning deep generative models:

- Learn probabilistic model  $p(\mathbf{x}_u; \theta)$ .
- Use learned parameters to initialize a discriminative model  $p(y_l | \mathbf{x}_l; \theta)$  (neural network).
- Slightly adjust discriminative model for a specific task.

No knowledge of subsequent discriminative task during unsupervised learning. Most of the information in parameters comes from learning a generative model.

### **Classification Task**



Classification error is 1.2% on MNIST, SVM's get 1.4% and randomly initialized backprop gets 1.6%.

Pretraining helps generalization – most of the information in the weights comes from modeling the input data. (Code available online)

# **Regression Task**

Predicting the orientation of a face patch.

-66.84 43.48 -57.14 14.22 -35.75 30.01



• Labeled Training Data:

Input: 1000 labeled training patches Output: orientation

- Labeled Test Data: Input: 1000 labeled test patches
   Predict: orientation of new people.
- Gaussian Processes with exponential kernel achieves a RMSE of  $16.36^{\circ}$  ( $\pm 0.45^{\circ}$ ).

## **Regression Task**



- Additional Unlabeled Training Data: 12000 face patches.
- Pretrain a stack of RBM's: 784-1000-1000.
- Features were extracted with no idea of the final task.

The same GP on the top-level features:RMSE  $11.22^{\circ}$ .Learn the covariance function of GP:RMSE  $6.42^{\circ}$ .

#### **Extracted Features**



Units 312 and 992 are very responsive to face orientation.

### DBM's vs. DBN's



Deep Boltzmann Machine Deep Belief Network



## **Deep Boltzmann Machines**

- DBM is a type of Markov random field, where all connections between layers are undirected.
- DBM's have the potential of learning internal representations that become increasingly complex at higher layers, which is a promising way of solving object and speech recognition problems.
- The approximate inference procedure, in addition to a bottom-up pass, can incorporate top-down feedback, allowing DBM's to better propagate uncertainty about ambiguous inputs.
- The entire model can be trained online, processing one example at a time.

# **Deep Boltzmann Machines**

$$P(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}^1, \mathbf{h}^2, \mathbf{h}^3} \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \exp\left[\mathbf{v}^\top W^1 \mathbf{h}^1 + \mathbf{h}^{1\top} W^2 \mathbf{h}^2 + \mathbf{h}^{2\top} W^3 \mathbf{h}^3\right]$$



Complex representations.

Fast greedy initialization.

Bottom-up + Top-down.

High-level representations are built from unlabeled inputs. Labeled data is used to only slightly fine-tune the model.

# **DBM's: Learning**

$$P_{\theta}(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}(\theta)} \exp\left[\mathbf{v}^{\top} W^{1} \mathbf{h}^{1} + \mathbf{h}^{1^{\top}} W^{2} \mathbf{h}^{2} + \mathbf{h}^{2^{\top}} W^{3} \mathbf{h}^{3}\right]$$



Let 
$$\theta = \{W^1, W^2, W^3\}$$
.  
Maximum Likelihood Learning:  
 $\frac{\partial \log P_{\theta}(\mathbf{v})}{\partial \theta} = \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{data}}}[\mathbf{v}\mathbf{h}^{\top}] - \mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{P}_{\theta}}[\mathbf{v}\mathbf{h}^{\top}].$   
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**Key Idea:** (Variation inference + MCMC will be covered later.)

- Variational Inference: Approximate  $E_{P_{data}}[\cdot]$ .
- MCMC: Approximate  $E_{P_{\theta}}[\cdot]$ .

## **Good Generative Model?**



500 hidden and 784 visible units (820,000 parameters).

Samples were generated by running the Gibbs sampler for 100,000 steps.

## MNIST: 2-layer BM



0.9 million parameters, 60,000 training and 10,000 test examples.

Discriminative fine-tuning: test error of 0.95%. DBN's get 1.2%, SVM's get 1.4%, backprop gets 1.6%.

# **Semi-Supervised Learning**

Classification error rates on MNIST test set when only a small fraction of labeled data is available.

	Two-Layer DBM	Nonlinear NCA	Autoencoder	KNN
1% (600)	4.82%	8.81%	9.62%	13.74%
5% (3000)	2.72%	3.24%	5.18%	7.19%
10% (6000)	2.46%	2.58%	4.46%	5.87%
100% (60K)	0.95%	1.00%	2.41%	3.09%

## NORB data



5 object categories, 5 different objects within each category, 6 lightning conditions, 9 elevations, 18 azimuth.

24,300 training and 24,300 test cases.

## **Deep Boltzmann Machines**



About 68 million parameters.

## **Model Samples**



Discriminative fine-tuning: test error of 7.2%. SVM's get 11.6%, logistic regression gets 22.5%.

### NORB Train vs. Test



# Image Completion



#### Extensions

#### • Better Learning Algorithms for Deep Models:

- Better MCMC algorithms within stochastic approximation that can explore highly mutimodal distributions: Tempered Transitions, Simulated/Parallel Tempering.
- Faster and more accurate variational inference: loopy belief propagation, generalized BP, power expectation propagation.
- Kernel Learning: Deep models can be used to define kernel or similarity function for many discriminative methods, including logistic regression, SVM's, kernel regression, Gaussian processes.

#### Extensions

- Large Scale Object Recognition and Information Retrieval: Deep models have the potential to extract features that become progressively more complex, which is a promising way to solve object recognition and information retrieval problems.
- Discovering a hierarchical structure of object categories: Learned high-level representations can be used as the input to more structured hierarchical Bayesian models, which would allow us to better incorporate our prior knowledge.
- Extracting Structure from Time: Modeling complex nonlinear dynamics of high-dimensional time series data, such as video sequences

Thank you.



With tied weights, the distribution over  $\mathbf{v}$  defined by an RBM and a DBN are the same.

$$\sum_{\mathbf{h}^1} P_{\mathrm{R}BM}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^1; W^1) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}^1, \mathbf{h}^2} P_{\mathrm{D}BN}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^1, \mathbf{h}^2; W^1)$$



$$\log P(\mathbf{v}; \theta) \ge \sum_{\mathbf{h}^1} Q(\mathbf{h}^1 | \mathbf{v}) \left[ \log P(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}^1; \theta) \right] + \mathcal{H}(Q(\mathbf{h}^1 | \mathbf{v}))$$
$$= \sum_{\mathbf{h}^1} Q(\mathbf{h}^1 | \mathbf{v}) \left[ \log P(\mathbf{h}^1; W^2) + \log P(\mathbf{v} | \mathbf{h}^1; W^1) \right] + \mathcal{H}(Q(\mathbf{h}^1 | \mathbf{v}))$$

Freeze  $Q(\mathbf{h}^1|\mathbf{v})$ , and  $P(\mathbf{v}|\mathbf{h}^1;W^1)$  and maximize the lower bound w.r.t.  $P(\mathbf{h}^1;W^2)$ .

## **Deep Belief Nets**



$$)P(\mathbf{h}^{1}|\mathbf{h}^{2})P(\mathbf{h}^{2},\mathbf{h}^{3}).$$
  

$$\mathbf{h} = \{\mathbf{h}^{1},\mathbf{h}^{2},\mathbf{h}^{3}\},$$
  

$$P(\mathbf{v};\theta) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} P(\mathbf{v},\mathbf{h};\theta).$$

Set of visible  $\mathbf{v}$  and hidden  $\mathbf{h}$  binary stochastic units.

 $\theta = \{W^1, W^2, W^3\}$  are model parameters.

Inference and maximum likelihood learning are hard.