Semi-Supervised Deep Learning for Climate @ Scale







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Introduction to Deep Learning

- History
- Commercial Applications
- Convolutional Neural Nets

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- Motivation
- Representational Challenges
 - Supervised CNNs
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1960's (1st Wave)

Single Layer networks



XOR problem killed research for two decades

Mid-1980s (2nd Wave)

- Multi-layer networks
- Backpropagation algorithm



hidden layer 1 hidden layer 2

2010s (3rd Wave)

• Big Data

-O(M) labeled images

- Big Compute
- 'Deep' Learning



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WHEN GENES GOT 'SELFISH'

Deep Learning for Self-Driving Cars



Deep Learning for Speech



Deep Learning for Computer Vision









Imagenet ILSVRC Challenge

Error rate¹



1: ImageNet top 5 error rate Source: ImageNet

Training Convolutional Networks





• Workflow:

- 1. Identify training data (images + labels)
- 2. Converge on hyper-parameters (architecture,...)
- 3. Random parameter initialization
- 4. Forward pass (filter images, make label prediction)
- 5. Compute Error

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6. Backward pass (compute gradients, update parameters)



Convolution and Pooling



3-channel input image of size 32×32

16 feature maps of size 28×28



ImageNet Architecture



Conv 1: Edge+Blob

Conv 3: Texture

Conv 5: Object Parts

Fc8: Object Classes

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How will extreme weather change in the future?





















- Look back in time (Paleoclimate records)
- Look forward in time (Climate simulations)
 - Internal climate system variability
 - External forcings (solar activity, volcanic eruptions)
 - Anthropogenic influence







CAM5 hi-resolution simulations (0.25°, prescribed aerosols)

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Kevin Reed, University of Michigan

Andrew Gettelman, Julio Bacmeister, Richard Neale National Center for Atmospheric Research

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Challenge: Multi-Variate Data





Task: Find Extreme Weather Patterns











- Task is analogous to commercial vision applications
 - Pattern Classification
 - Feature Learning
- Differences stem from unique attributes of Climate Data
 - Multi-channel
 - Double precision floating point
 - Statistics are likely different





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• Training Input: Cropped, Centered, Multi-variate patches with Labels

- –Tropical Cyclone (TC)
- -Atmospheric River (AR)
- -Weather Front (WF)

• Output: Binary (Yes/No) on Test patches

- Is there a TC in the patch?
- Is there an AR in the patch?
- Is there a WF in the patch?





Training Data



CLASSIFICATION	FICATION Image Variables		Total Examples		
			(+ve) (-ve)	
Tropical Cyclone	32x32	PSL,UBOT,VBOT,TMQ, U850,V850,T200,T500	10000	10000	
Atmospheric Rivers	148x224	TMQ, Land Sea mask	6500	6800	
Weather Fronts	27x60	T2m, Precip, PSL	5600	6500	





Supervised Convolutional Architecture Nersc

CLASSIFICATION	Conv1	Pool1	Conv2	Pool2	Full	Full
Tropical Cyclone	5x5-8	2x2	5x5-16	2x2	50	2
Atmospheric River	12x12-8	3x3	12x12-16	2x2	200	2
Weather Fronts	5x5-16	2x2	5x5-16	2x2	400	2





Input Pooling Pooling Class score Convolution Convolution Fully connect



Supervised Classification Accuracy



	Logistic Regression		K-Nearest Neighbor		Support Vector Machine		Random Forest		ConvNet	
	Train	Test	Train	Test	Train	Test	Train	Test	Train	Test
Tropical Cyclone	96.8	95.85	98.1	97.85	97.0	95.85	99.2	99.4	99.3	99.1
Atmospheric Rivers	81.97	82.65	79.7	81.7	81.6	83.0	87.9	88.4	90.5	90.0
Weather Fronts	84.9	89.8	72.46	76.45	84.35	90.2	80.97	87.5	88.7	89.4

Hyper-parameter optimization applied with Spearmint for all methods







• Objectives:

- Create unified architecture for all weather patterns
- Predict bounding box location for weather pattern
- Discover new patterns
 - •Might have few/no labels for several weather patterns





Semi-Supervised Convolutional Architecture





Classification + Bounding Box Regression







original

reconstruction







Classification + Regression Results











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• Performance and Scaling

- Current networks take days to train on O(10) GB datasets
- We have O(10) TB datasets on hand
- Quick turnaround is critical for hyper-parameter tuning
 - # layers, # filters, filter size, stride
 - Pooling operation
 - Learning rates, Learning schedule
 - Optimizers (ADAM, SGD,...)





Deep Learning Stack





Deep Learning Stack





Hardware







- Input Data:
 - 768x768x16
 - 15 TB
 - 400K images

•9 convolution, 5 deconvolution layers

-300MB parameters







- Target hardware: Intel Xeon Phi (Knights Landing)
- Intel Caffe with MKL 2017 library
 - Optimized DL primitives for KNL
 - Added support for de-convolutions

















- Data Parallelism (vs. Model Parallelism)
- Optimizations:
 - Hybrid parameter updates
 - Topology aware placement
 - Dedicated Parameter server per-layer
- Implementation uses Intel MLSL
 - Proxy threads/processes drive communication
 - Improvement over vanilla MPI in terms of bandwidth utilization





Multi-Node Scaling Strategy







SYNCHRONOUS

ASYNCHRONOUS

+ve	Same # iterations to converge as serial implementation	 Faster Iterations Robustness to node failures Better control of batch size
-ve	 Straggler effect Susceptible to node failure Batch size grows with # nodes 	More #iterations to converge as serial implementation









Changing # compute groups controls level of asynchrony







Topology Aware Placement

Multi-Node Scaling Results

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Statistical Convergence..

• Single KNL node (66 cores)

- 1-4 TFLOP/s

•9600 KNL nodes (633,600 cores)

- 15 PFLOP/s peak
- 13 PFLOP/s sustained
- 12.6 seconds/iteration; 7200x speedup over single node runtime

- Genuine excitement in the field of AI and DL
 - Commercial applications spanning vision, speech and control
- Deep Learning is viable tool for find extreme weather patterns
 - Helps in characterizing changes in the future
- Representational Challenges:
 - Supervised architectures can match hand-tuned criteria
 - Semi-supervised architectures can potentially discover new patterns

Computational Challenges:

- Single node performance on KNL: 1-4 TF
- Multi-node scaling on 9600 nodes: 15 PF

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