

Hopfield Networks is All You Need

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Attention Is All You Need

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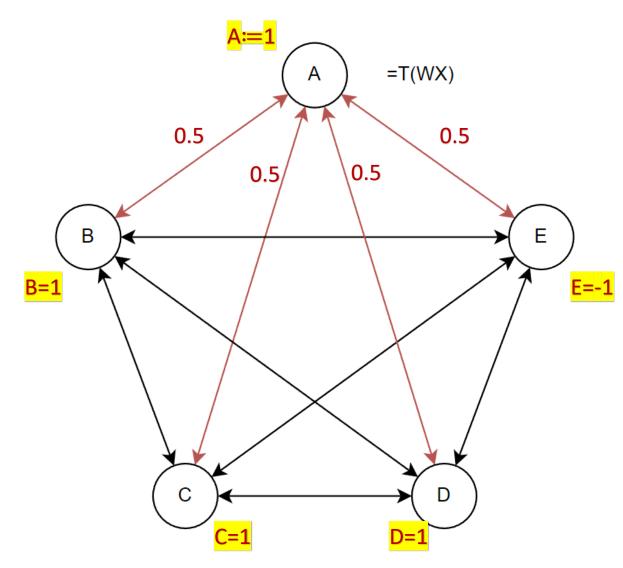
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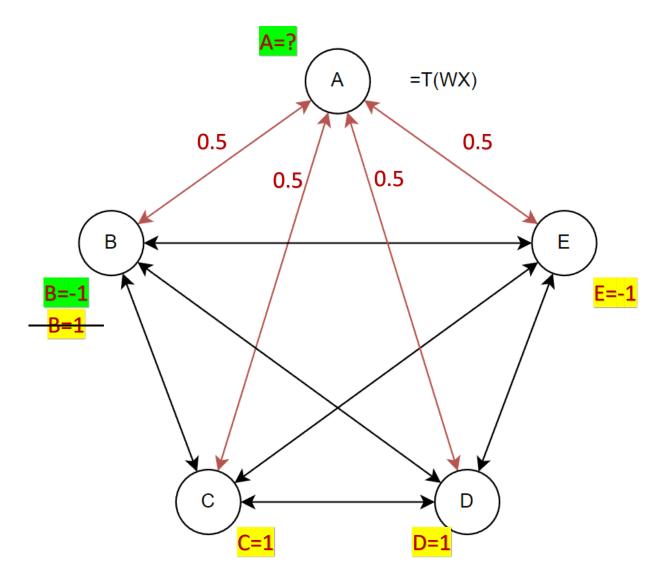
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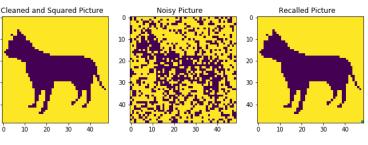
- In which $T(\cdot)$ is the <u>thresholding function</u> (e.g., $Sgn(\cdot)$). As a result, $V_A = 1$, which is consistent with the **GIVEN** value.
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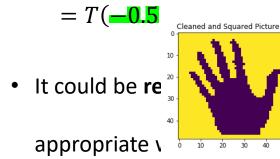
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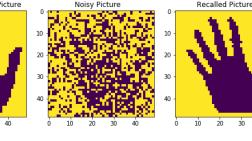
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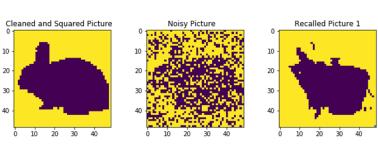
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Classical Binary Hopfield Networks

- More complicated, patterns like (binary) images can be learned.
- Note that there are 2,500 pixels in each image, the size of the weight matrix will be 2500×2500 , but only learned by ONE image.
- Two natural problems will arise. 1) How many patterns can one

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https://github.com/nosratullah/hopfieldNeuralNetwork

Global Stable Patterns

• Classical binary Hopfield networks are energy-based models (EBMs) with an energy function like:

 $E = -X^T W X$

which is a convex function. $\nabla E = -2WX$ (a linear system).

• When $\nabla E = 0$, there will be infinite one point with the **GLOBAL** minimal energy. But due to the "binary"

requirement, this point might be unreachable, and so more than one patterns can be remembered.

Local Stable Patterns

• Attractors (energy minimums) are not necessarily global minimums. Local minimums will also work.

 $X = [1, -1, -1, 1, \dots, -1, -1]$

If a part of X is flipped, its <u>energy should be larger</u> when X is an attractor.

• It is also possible for two local minimums overlap. If [1, -1] is an attractor, the energy of [-1, -1], [1, 1]

should be larger. But for [-1,1], the same case. So, for [1,1], it has two local energy minimum, which will

make both patterns ([1, -1], [-1, 1]) not retrievable. As <u>proved</u>, only **0**. **138***N* (*N* is the number of neurons)

patterns can be remembered and retrieved with no errors, which is not a large number.

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Polynomial Energy Function

• The reason why 0.138N is the bound is because the gradient of the energy function is too "flat". So,

polynomial energy functions are proposed:

 $E(X) = -(WX)^n$

• And this limit is pushed to

$$\frac{1}{2(2n-3)!!} \cdot \frac{N^{n-1}}{\ln(N)}$$

which is an <u>exponential function of N</u>.

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Exponential Energy Function

• Naturally, people will think when $n \to \infty$, what will the energy function be like? As proved, an exponential

energy function will work.

 $E(X) = -e^{WA}$

• This leads to the energy function (*lse* function, log-sum-exp) used in this work, in which β , c are constants,

 $W^T W$ is the regularization.

$$E(X) = -\beta^{-1} \log(\Sigma e^{\beta W X}) + W^T W + c$$

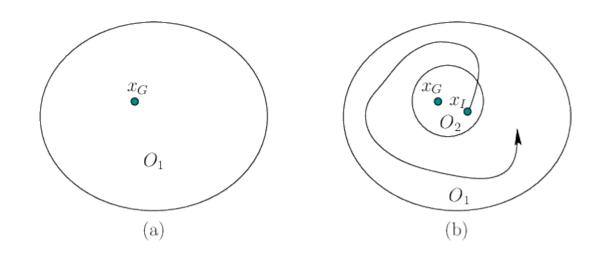
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Continuous Hopfield Networks

• In binary conditions, we define "attractor" by <u>flipping each digit</u>. But for continuous conditions, we need a

new way to analyzing attractors.

• This leads to the Lyapunov analyzing.



Hebbian Learning & Self-Attention

Classical Hopfield Networks are often learned by Hebbian Learning. The idea is that "Neurons that fire

together, wire together. – *Donald Hebb*". Say the weights prefers similar parts, which is similar with selfattention.

• Self attention.

$$Attention = \operatorname{softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}}\right)V$$

$$Q = W_Q X, K = W_K X, V = W_V X$$

Vaswani A, Shazeer N, Parmar N, et al. Attention is all you need[J]. Advances in neural information processing systems, 2017, 30.

Hebbian Learning & Self-Attention

- In which Q stands for Query, K stands for Key, and V stands for Value, which are linear transformations of X.
- This could be interpreted as "for several features of $X(\mathbf{K})$, whether some features (\mathbf{Q}) are similar, and this

similarity $(QK^T/\sqrt{d_k})$ can help get features of X(V)''.

• Attention $\propto XX^T$, somehow like the Hebbian learning. In this paper, the parameter updating strategy is

literally a simplified self-attention.

 $W_{new} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \operatorname{softmax}(W^T \mathbf{X})$

Hopfield Networks in NNs

• When Hopfield networks (<u>remember and retrieve patterns</u>) and self-attention (<u>distinct *Q*, *K*, *V*) are</u>

considered together, Hopfield NN layers are created.

Y is used twice, with two weight matrices. This is not only for retrieving, but also for transformation.

 $Z = \operatorname{softmax}(\mathbf{R}W_{K}^{T}\mathbf{Y}^{T})\mathbf{Y}W_{V}$

- In self-attention, we have <u>X and its three linear transformations Q, K, V</u>. But here <u>R and Y as two inputs</u> can be different.
- Based on whether *R*, *Y* are trainable, 3 types of Hopfield NN layers are proposed: 1) *Hopfield*, with *R*, *Y* both

trainable, 2) *Hopfield pooling*, with *Y* trainable, *R* fixed, 3) *Hopfield layer*, with *R* trainable, *Y* fixed.

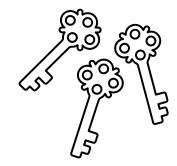
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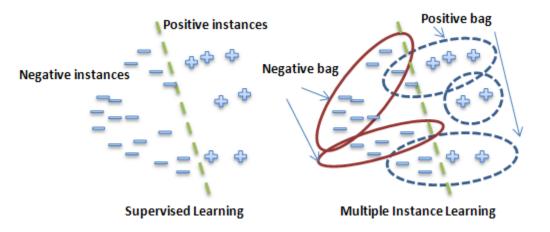
- *Hopfield*, with *R*, *Y* both trainable. This is self-attention.
- *Hopfield pooling*, with *Y* trainable, *R* fixed. In this case, queries are fixed, if more inputs are similar with the queries, the result will be an average of these queries. (pattern pooling)
- *Hopfield layer*, with *R* trainable, *Y* fixed. In this case, the keys are fixed, which can be pre-learned (fixed)

patterns, or simply instances, and this layer will perform like KNN.

Experiments

- <u>Multi instance learning</u> (MIL) classification.
- MIL is a type of questions with <u>instances capsuled as bags</u>. There are many instances, but they are not assumed uniformly distributed in the sample space but grouped in bags.
- MIL classification requires to 1) find the bag of one label and 2) the instance in that bag with the label.
- E.g., keychains. To open a lock, which keychain and which key will I need?





Experiments

• This case is also applied for semantic

segmentation tasks.

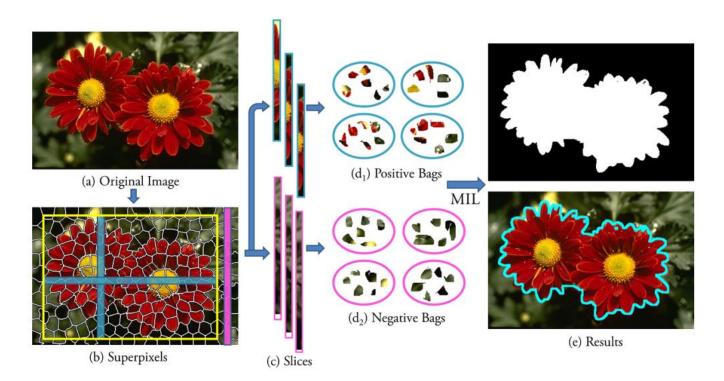
• The major challenge of MIL tasks is that

these bags share different distributions

and so finding a unified model

modeling all instances (usually a lot

instances) is very hard.



Wu, Jiajun, et al. "Milcut: A sweeping line multiple instance learning paradigm for interactive image segmentation." Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition. 2014.

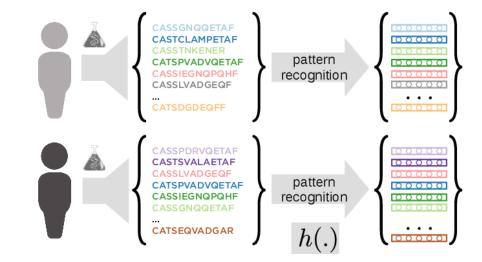
Immune Repertoire Classification (big data)

• This task needs to find few patterns from a large number of sequences, and different sequences are

enclosed in bags (each individual). This dataset has 300,000 instances in each repertoire.

• With sequences restored, patterns are queried and learned. The work proposed achieves AUC 0.832+0.022,

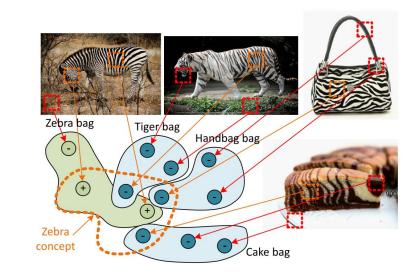
compared with 0.825+0.022 from SVM.



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Image Classification (small data)

• An image classification problem.



• With 1,391 elephant images with 230 patterns, 1,320 fox images with 230 patterns, 1,220 tiger images with

230 features, and 2,002 UCSB breast cancer images with 58 objects.

Method	tiger	fox	elephant	UCSB
Hopfield (ours)	91.3 ± 0.5	64.05 ± 0.4	94.9 ± 0.3	89.5 ± 0.8
Path encoding (Küçükaşcı & Baydoğan, 2018)	$91.0 \pm 1.0^{\mathrm{a}}$	$71.2\pm1.4^{\mathrm{a}}$	$94.4 \pm 0.7^{\mathrm{a}}$	88.0 ± 2.2^{a}
MInD (Cheplygina et al., 2016)	$85.3\pm1.1^{\mathrm{a}}$	$70.4 \pm 1.6^{\mathrm{a}}$	$93.6\pm0.9^{\mathrm{a}}$	$83.1 \pm 2.7^{\mathrm{a}}$
MILES (Chen et al., 2006)	$87.2 \pm 1.7^{\rm b}$	$oldsymbol{73.8} \pm 1.6^{\mathrm{a}}$	$92.7\pm0.7^{\mathrm{a}}$	$83.3 \pm 2.6^{\mathrm{a}}$
APR (Dietterich et al., 1997)	$77.8\pm0.7^{\mathrm{b}}$	$54.1\pm0.9^{\mathrm{b}}$	$55.0\pm1.0^{\mathrm{b}}$	
Citation-kNN (Wang, 2000)	$85.5\pm0.9^{\rm b}$	$63.5\pm1.5^{\mathrm{b}}$	$89.6\pm0.9^{\mathrm{b}}$	$70.6 \pm 3.2^{\mathrm{a}}$
DD (Maron & Lozano-Pérez, 1998)	84.1^{b}	63.1^{b}	90.7^{b}	

Carbonneau, Marc-André, et al. "Multiple instance learning: A survey of problem characteristics and applications." Pattern Recognition 77 (2018): 329-353.

Small Datasets on UCI MLR Benchmarks

Hopfield networks can also work well on small datasets, since it

can simply remember each data instance and perform KNN-like

functionalities.

• This work collects 75 small datasets (within 1,000 instances) and

45 large datasets (larger than 1,000 instances) on UCI MLR.

 Since there are many datasets for each ML schema to test, the author ranks each method as the following. Say Hopfield related methods are the best.

Method	avg. rank diff.	<i>p</i> -value
Hopfield (ours)	-3.92	
SVM	-3.23	0.15
SNN	-2.85	0.10
RandomForest	-2.79	0.05
Stacking	8.73	$1.2e{-11}$

Discussion

- Patterns are remembered and retrieved in a <u>distributed manner</u>. Compositionality issues.
- Though the author provides an efficient way of updating (exponential retrieving error decreasing while training) the parameters of Hopfield layers, it is still in the training process of a NN, not real-time.
- When *R*, *Y* are not both trainable, fixed pre-learned data needs to be provided by the user. Can only be used to remember individual training instances due to interpretability issues.



Toward a Broad AI

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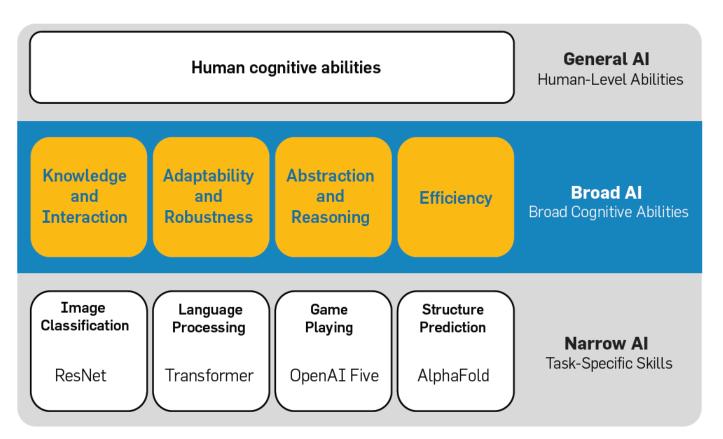


Definition

• Definition, a more abstract way with considerably enhanced and broader capabilities for skill acquisition and

problem solving.

- Still capability-oriented.
- But different emphasis.



Properties Should Equipped

- Knowledge transfer and interaction.
- Adaptability (through few-shot learning and self-supervising) and robustness.
- Abstraction and advanced reasoning.
- Efficiency.

Properties Should Equipped

- By its own sensory perceptions.
- Context and short/long term memory (through the Hopfield networks mentioned).
- GNN (neural-symbolic reasoning).