Encoding Video and Label Priors for Multi-label Video Classification on YouTube-8M dataset

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Code: https://github.com/seilna/youtube8m

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YouTube-8M Video Multi-label Classification

- Input: videos (with audio) with maximum 300 seconds long
- Video and audio are given in feature form, extracted using Inception Network and VGG



YouTube-8M Video Multi-label Classification

 Output: given a test video and audio feature, model produces a multi-label prediction score for 4,716 classes



YouTube-8M Video Multi-label Classification

- Evaluation: among scores for all classes, only top 20 scores are considered
- Google Average Precision (GAP) is used to evaluate performance of model

$$GAP = \sum_{i=1}^{N} p(i)\Delta r(i)$$

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- iii) Correlation between labels

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 - Encode T frame features into a compact vector
 - Encoder should capture the content distribution of frames and temporal information of the sequence
- ii) Label imbalance problem
- iii) Correlation between labels

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- i) Video pooling method
- ii) Label imbalance problem
 - In YouTube-8M dataset, the numbers of instances for each class are very different
 - How can we generalize well on small sets in the validation/test dataset?



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| Vertical |
|--|
| Filter |
| Entities |
| Mario Kart (3658) Super Mario Bros. (3136) |
| Super Mario World (1232) |
| New Super Mario Bros (1152) |
| Super Mario Galaxy (936) |
| New Super Mario Bros. Wii (700) |



- Our approach tackles THREE issues
- i) Video pooling method
- ii) Label imbalance problem
- iii) Correlation between labels
 - Some labels are semantically interrelated
 - Connected labels tend to appear in the same video
 - How can we use this prior to improve classification performance?

Our approach

- Our model consists of FOUR components
 - I. Video pooling layer
 - II. Classification layer
 - III. Label processing layer
 - IV. Loss function



Our approach

Our model consists of FOUR components

- I. Video pooling layer 1,2
- II. Classification layer
- III. Label processing layer 3
- IV. Loss function 2



- 2. Label imbalance problem
- 3. Correlation between labels



- Video pooling layer $g_{\theta} \colon \mathbb{R}^{T \times 1,152} \to \mathbb{R}^d$ encodes *T* frame vectors into a compact vector
- Experiment following 5 methods



(a) Video Pooling Layer g_{θ}

1. LSTM

- Each frame vector is the input of LSTM
- All states vectors and the average of input vectors are used



2. CNN

- Use convolution operation like [Kim 2014].
- Adjacent frame vectors are regarded together



Kim, Yoon. "Convolutional neural networks for sentence classification."arXiv:1408.5882, 2014

3. Position Encoding

• Use the position encoding matrix [E2EMN] to represent the sequence order



Sukhbaatar et al. "End-to-end memory networks." NIPS 2015.

4. Indirect Clustering

• We implicitly cluster frames via self-attention mechanism



5. Adaptive Noise

 To deal with label imbalance, inject more noise to features of a video with rare labels, and less noise to videos with common labels
 Mean pool



Gaussian Noise

- Given pooled video features, the Classification Layer h_{θ} : $\mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}^{4,716}$ outputs a class score
- Experiment following 3 methods



- 1. Multi-layer Mixture of Experts
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2. N-Layer MLP

- A stack of fully connected layer
- Empirically, three layers with layer normalization



3. Many-to-Many

- Each frame vector is the input of LSTM
- Output is an average of score for each time step



Label Processing Layer

- Label Processing Layer C_{θ} update the class score using prior for correlation between labels
- Experiment following 1 method



Label Processing Layer

1. Encoding Label Correlation

 Construct a correlation matrix by counting the labels that appear in the same videos



Label Processing Layer

1. Encoding Label Correlation

• Update the score using the correlation matrix

$$O_c = \alpha \cdot O_h + \beta \cdot M_c O_h + \gamma \cdot M_c' O_h$$



Loss Function

1. Center Loss

- Assign a penalty for the embedding of video belonging to the same label
- Add the center loss term to cross-entropy
 label loss at a predefined



Wen et al. "A discriminative feature learning approach for deep face recognition." ECCV 2016.

Loss Function

2. Huber Loss

- A combination of L1 and L2 loss to be robust against noisy labels
- Use pseudo-huber loss of cross entropy for fully-differentiable form

$$\mathcal{L} = \delta^2 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{\mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\delta}\right)^2} - 1 \right)$$

Results – Video Pooling Layer

| Method | GAP@20 |
|---------------------|--------|
| LSTM | 0.811 |
| LSTM-M | 0.815 |
| LSTM-M-O | 0.820 |
| LSTM-M-O-LN | 0.815 |
| CNN-64 | 0.704 |
| CNN-256 | 0.753 |
| CNN-1024 | - |
| Position Encoding | 0.782 |
| Indirect Clustering | 0.801 |
| Adaptive Noise | 0.782 |
| mean pooling | 0.747 |

- The LSTM family showed the best accuracies
- The more the distribution information is in the LSTM state, the better the performance is

Results – Classification Layer

| Method | GAP@20 |
|---------------------|--------|
| Many-to-Many | 0.791 |
| 2 Layer MoE-2 | 0.424 |
| 2 Layer MoE-16 | 0.421 |
| 3 Layer MLP-4096 | 0.802 |
| 3 Layer MLP-4096-LN | 0.809 |
| MoE-2 | 0.747 |
| MoE-16 | 0.796 |

- Multi-layer MLP showed the best performance
- LN made an improvement unlike LSTM in the video pooling layer

Results – Label Processing Layer

| Method | | | GAP@20 |
|--------|-------|-------------|--------|
| Moe - | (1.0, | 0.3, 0.0) | 0.784 |
| MoE - | (1.0, | 0.1, 0.0) | 0.787 |
| Moe - | (1.0, | 0.0, 0.1) | 0.788 |
| Moe - | (1.0, | 0.01, 0.0) | 0.790 |
| Moe - | (1.0, | 0.0, 0.01) | 0.790 |
| Moe - | (1.0, | 0.01, 0.01) | 0.788 |

- In all combinations, label processing had little impact on performance improvement
- It implies that a more sophisticated model is needed to deal with correlation between labels

Results – Loss Function

| GAP@20 |
|--------|
| 0.798 |
| 0.799 |
| 0.803 |
| 0.801 |
| 0.798 |
| 0.794 |
| |

 The Huber loss is helpful to handle noisy labels or label imbalance problems

Conclusion

Video Pooling Layer

- Even for the "video" classification, the content distribution information of the frame vectors had a great impact on performance
- Future Work
 - 1. How to incorporate temporal information well?
 - 2. A better pooling method for both distribution and temporal information (e.g. RNN-FV)?

Lev et al. "RNN Fisher Vectors for Action Recognition and Image Annotation." ECCV 2016.

Conclusion

Label Processing Layer

- Correlation between labels was treated too naively in our work
- Future work
 - 1. A more sophisticated approach for it?

Loss function

 With the same label distribution in the current train/val/test split, there may be no need to address the label imbalance issue (for final accuracy)