



## Tensorflow 2.0 and Keras

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# Introduction



- ▶ Tensorflow 2.0 introduced end of 2019
- ▶ Includes Keras now
- ▶ Latest version: 2.4.1
- ▶ APIs for C++, Java and **Python**
- ▶ The "biggest" community, but also lot's of changes
- ▶ Applicable to a wide range of user types:
  - ▶ developer
  - ▶ researcher
  - ▶ industry or academia
- ▶ Enhanced versions are available for different platforms, e.g. via PIP:
  - ▶ Intel CPUs `intel-tensorflow`
  - ▶ AMD CPUs `tensorflow-rocm`
  - ▶ NVIDIA `tensorflow-gpu`



TensorFlow



Keras



- ▶ Extract, Transform and Load (ETL) pipeline via `tf.data.Dataset`
- ▶ Provides a wide range of functionality to process training/validation data:
  - ▶ I/O: files, NumPy, TFRecord/Protocol Buffers, Pandas Data Frames, etc.
  - ▶ Split training/validation:  
Provide a ratio how much of the dataset should be for training.
  - ▶ Batch and pad:  
Build minibatches and pad to ensure balance.
  - ▶ Shuffle:  
Randomize the samples with every training epoch.
  - ▶ Cache and Pre-fetch:  
Optimize access to data.
  - ▶ Map and filter:  
Convert the data to a format needed for training/validation and also filter samples.
  - ▶ ...

# Data Pipeline: Exercise



- ▶ In the exercise `keras_mnist_example_1.ipynb`, build a training pipeline with:
  - ▶ Input MNIST training dataset `ds_train` and apply `normalize_img` with `tf.data.experimental.AUTOTUNE` parallel calls, via
    - ▶ `tf.data.Dataset.map`
  - ▶ Cache the data (no repeated normalization) with
    - ▶ `tf.data.Dataset.cache`
  - ▶ Shuffle data entirely (size of `ds_info.splits['train'].num_examples`) with
    - ▶ `tf.data.Dataset.shuffle`
  - ▶ Batch with a batch size of 128 with
    - ▶ `tf.data.Dataset.batch`
  - ▶ Prefetch the next elements (use `tf.data.experimental.AUTOTUNE` for the buffer size)
    - ▶ `tf.data.Dataset.prefetch`
- ▶ For the validation pipeline `ds_test`, do the same **except** shuffling

Use the `Tensorflow Dataset Documentation` to help you



- ▶ Keras offers two ways to build a model:
  - ▶ Sequential model with `tf.keras.Sequential`
  - ▶ Functional API with `tf.keras.Model`
- ▶ Most used operations/layers already exist in the Keras API, e.g.:
  - ▶ `tf.keras.layers.Conv2D` or `tf.keras.layers.Conv3D`
  - ▶ `tf.keras.layers.Dense`
  - ▶ `tf.keras.layers.LSTM`
  - ▶ ...
- ▶ The models expect data in the following formats (`channels_last`):
  - ▶ `[batch, spatial_dims..., channels]`, e.g. 2D images:  
`[10, 256, 256, 3]` (10 per batch, 256x256 images with 3 color channels)
  - ▶ `[batch, time_step, spatial_dims..., channels]`, e.g. time series of images:  
`[10, 25, 64, 32, 1]` (10 per batch, series of 25 64x32 images with 1 color channel)

# Building a Sequential Model



- ▶ Very easy to use with least amount of code
- ▶ Only for sequential models - no forks or joins!
- ▶ Example:

```
from keras import Sequential
from keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D,
    BatchNormalization, ZeroPadding2D, Dropout,
    Activation, Flatten, Dense
```

```
def alexnet(n_classes=5):
    model = Sequential()
    model.add(Conv2D(64, 11, strides=4))
    model.add(ZeroPadding2D(2))
    model.add(Activation('relu'))
    model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2))

    model.add(Conv2D(192, 5))
    model.add(ZeroPadding2D(2))
    model.add(Activation('relu'))
    model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2))

    model.add(Conv2D(384, 3))
    model.add(ZeroPadding2D(1))
    model.add(Activation('relu'))

    model.add(Conv2D(256, 3))
    model.add(ZeroPadding2D(1))
    model.add(Activation('relu'))
    model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2))
```

```
model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Dropout(0.5))
model.add(Dense(4096,
    input_shape=(6 * 6 * 256, )))
model.add(Activation('relu'))
model.add(Dropout(0.5))
model.add(Dense(4096))
model.add(Activation('relu'))
model.add(Dense(n_classes))
model.add(Activation('softmax'))

return model
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    amodel = alexnet(10)
    amodel.summary()
```



# Building a Functional API Model



- ▶ Requires definition of input and model (output)
- ▶ Allows forks/joins (not shown here)
- ▶ Example:

```
from keras import Sequential
from keras.layers import Conv2D, MaxPooling2D,
    BatchNormalization, ZeroPadding2D, Dropout,
    Activation, Flatten, Dense

def alexnet(n_classes=5):
    inp = tf.keras.Input(shape=[256,256,3], dtype=tf.float32)

    conv1 = Conv2D(64, 11, strides=4)(inp)
    pad1 = ZeroPadding2D(2)(conv1)
    act1 = Activation('relu')(pad1)
    pool1 = MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2)(act1)
    conv2 = Conv2D(192, 5)(pool1)
    pad2 = ZeroPadding2D(2)(conv2)
    act2 = Activation('relu')(pad2)
    pool2 = MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2)(act2)
    conv3 = Conv2D(384, 3)(pool2)
    pad3 = ZeroPadding2D(1)(conv3)
    act3 = Activation('relu')(pad3)

    conv4 = Conv2D(256, 3)(act3)
    pad4 = ZeroPadding2D(1)(conv4)
    act4 = Activation('relu')(pad4)
    pool4 = MaxPooling2D(pool_size=3,
        strides=2)(act4)
```

```
flat = Flatten()(pool4)
drop1 = Dropout(0.5)(flat)
dense1 = Dense(4096,
    input_shape=(6 * 6 * 256, ))(drop1)
act5 = Activation('relu')(dense1)
drop2 = Dropout(0.5)(act5)
dense2 = Dense(4096)(drop2)
act6 = Activation('relu')(dense2)
dense3 = Dense(n_classes)(act6)
act7 = Activation('softmax')(dense3)

return tf.keras.Model(inp, act7)
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    amodel = alexnet(10)
    amodel.summary()
```



# Building a Model: Exercise



In exercise `keras_mnist_example_2.ipynb` build a simple model with the following layers (from input to output):

- ▶ Flatten the 2D input via

```
▶ tf.keras.layers.Flatten
```

- ▶ Dense hidden layer with 128 neurons/units and Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activation via

```
▶ tf.keras.layers.Dense
```

- ▶ Dense layer as output with 10 neurons/units and softmax activation via

```
▶ tf.keras.layers.Dense
```

# Train and Visualize with Tensorboard



- ▶ Recap - we have:
  - ▶ Data pipelines provide training/validation data
  - ▶ Model to train
- ▶ Select the loss function, e.g.:  
`loss = tf.keras.losses.BinaryCrossentropy()`
- ▶ Optionally, select metrics, e.g.:  
`metric1 = tf.keras.metrics.MeanAbsoluteError()`
- ▶ Select the optimizer to use, e.g.:  
`opt = tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(lr=.001, momentum=0.8)`
- ▶ Compile the model:  
`amodel.compile(optimizer=opt, loss=loss, metrics=[metric1])`

# Train and Visualize with Tensorboard



- ▶ For Tensorboard, define a callback, e.g.:

```
tensorboard_cb = tf.keras.callbacks.TensorBoard(log_dir="./logs",  
                                                histogram_freq=1,  
                                                update_freq='batch')
```

- ▶ Snapshots needed?

```
save_best_cb = tf.keras.callbacks.ModelCheckpoint(  
                                                    filepath="./best_weights.hdf5"  
                                                    monitor='val_loss',  
                                                    save_best_only=True)
```

- ▶ Train...

```
amodel.fit(  
    training_ds,  
    validation_data = validation_ds,  
    epochs = 100,  
    callbacks = [save_best_cb, tensorboard_cb],  
    verbose=2)
```

# Train and Visualize with Tensorboard: Exercise



Train with visualization in Tensorboard using exercise `keras_mnist_example_3.ipynb`:

- ▶ Find the epoch loss in Tensorboard in tab *SCALARS*
- ▶ Compare the loss with the metric (here: *accuracy*)
- ▶ Inspect the model graph in tab *GRAPHS*
- ▶ See the change of parameters during training in tab *HISTOGRAMS*

**Note:** Don't forget to set a reload interval in settings (or reload manually)!





- ▶ Some methods offer multi-threading; try `tf.data.experimental.AUTOTUNE`, e.g.:  

```
train_ds = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices(my_data)
          .map(my_prepare_func, num_parallel_calls=AUTO))
```
- ▶ Caching is keeping everything in memory - be carefull where to place it in the pipeline!
- ▶ Caching can also be used to use fast NVM/SSD storage, e.g.:  

```
train_ds.cache(filename="/mnt/nvmeof/")
```
- ▶ Use `tf.data.Dataset.map` before `tf.data.Dataset.batch` if map is expensive, vice versa otherwise
- ▶ Prefetch at the end of the pipeline

See Tensorflow's [▶ Better performance with the tf.data API](#)



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