Multi Visual Task Fusion with Deep CNN and Conditional Random Field

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Why it is important to fuse multi-tasks in vision

Human are performing multi-tasks simultaneously and register them well.



Only by understanding fully and densely to the given scene, we can have confidence to do visual question and answering.

Example results from Kokinnos Arxiv 1609.02132

Why it is important to fuse multi-tasks in vision

Single task could be biased due to a single loss from the system is almost always limited, which can be regularized by other tasks.







Bertasius et.al CVPR 2016

Another example of optical flow







Sevilla-Lara et.al CVPR 2016



Extension afterwards

Image







FCN Network

Chen et.al ICLR 2015 Eigen&Fergus ICCV 15



Edge prediction



Kokinnos Arxiv 1609.02132

Reconstruction





Eigen&Fergus ICCV 15 Pose estimation



Insafutdinov et.al ECCV 201

Detection, low level processing, style transfer ...

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FCN Network

Hypercolumn FCN

Hariharan CVPR 2015 Encoder-Decoder





VGG, Inception, Resnet, Inception Resnet etc...

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Conditional Random Field (CRF)

Useful for structure learning and reference, which could be modeled to look at neighbor context and smooth the predictions



$$\Pr(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{Z(\mathbf{x})} \exp(-E(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})),$$

$$E(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{p \in \mathcal{N}} U(y_p, \mathbf{x}) + \sum_{(p,q) \in \mathcal{S}} V(y_p, y_q, \mathbf{x}).$$

Fully connected CRF



$$E(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i} \psi_u(x_i) + \sum_{i < j} \psi_p(x_i, x_j),$$

Connect every pair





Krahenbuhl & Koltun NIPS 2012

Access long range context in bilateral space

Recent applications

Discrete labels





Image

Network output



Refine output

[1] Krähenbühl et al ICML 2013
 [2] Chen et al ICLR 2014
 [3] Zheng et al ICCV 2015

Continuous labels (Bilateral smoothing)





Pofine output

Image

Stereo output

Refine output

[1] Barron et.al CVPR 2015 [2] Barron et.al arXiv 2016

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CRF has long been commonly used in single or multi tasks

Pre-CNN period

SIFT (HOG) + SVM (Structured SVM) for unary energy over pixel or super-pixel, e.g.

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s afterwards

CNN period (Just replace the unary ? What else we have from CNN?)

More efficient, unified and robust features from deep learning, which allows us to model multitasks more effectively

Two applications from the intuition

[1] **Peng Wang**, Xiaohui Shen, Zhe Lin, Scott Cohen, Brian Price, Alan Yuille, *Joint Object and Part Segmentation using Deep Learned Potentials*, **ICCV** 2015



[2] **Peng Wang**, Xiaohui Shen, Bryan Russel, Scott Cohen, Brian Price, Alan Yuille, *SURGE: Surface Regularized Geometric Estimation from a Single Image*, **NIPS** 2016



Joint Object and Part Segmentation



Part sharing

Handle the growth of joint label space





Joint FCRF formulation



$$\min_{\mathcal{L}} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}} \psi_i(l_{op}^i) + \lambda_e \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{V}, i \neq j} \psi_{i,j}(l_{op}^i, l_{op}^j)$$

$$\psi_i(l_{op}^i) = \eta(l_o^i, l_p^i)(\psi_i^o(l_o^i)) + \lambda_p \psi_i^p(l_p^i))$$

$$\psi_{i,j}(l_{op}^{i}, l_{op}^{j}) = \eta(l_{o}^{i}, l_{p}^{i})\eta(l_{o}^{j}, l_{p}^{j})\psi_{i,j}^{op}(l_{o}^{i}, l_{o}^{j}, l_{p}^{i}, l_{p}^{j})$$





Less confusion and more details due to larger context and joint task performed.



Additional results

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3D geometry reconstruction (Depth & Normal)



After DCRF

Formulation of the DCRF

$$\min_{\mathbf{N},\mathbf{D}} \{\sum_{i} \psi_{u}(\mathbf{n}_{i}, d_{i} | \mathbf{N}_{o}, \mathbf{D}_{o}) + \lambda \sum_{i,j} \psi_{r}(\mathbf{n}_{i}, \mathbf{n}_{j}, d_{i}, d_{j} | \mathbf{P}_{o}, \mathbf{E}_{o})\}, \text{ with, } \|\mathbf{n}_{i}\|_{2} = 1$$

$$\sum_{i} \psi_{\mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{n}_{i}) + \sum_{i} \psi_{d}(d_{i}) \sum_{i,j} [\mu_{\mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{n}_{i}, \mathbf{n}_{j}) + \mu_{d}(d_{i}, d_{j} | \mathbf{N})] \mathbf{A}_{G}(i, j | \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{E})\}$$
Normal
Depth







 $\min_{\mathbf{N},\mathbf{D}} \{ \sum_{i} \psi_{\mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{n}_{i}) + \sum_{i} \psi_{d}(d_{i}) + \lambda \sum_{i,j} [\mu_{\mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{n}_{i},\mathbf{n}_{j}) + \mu_{d}(d_{i},d_{j}|\mathbf{N})] \mathbf{A}_{G}(i,j|\mathbf{P},\mathbf{E}) \}$

Planar Affinity



Finally, we make the DCRF layer trainable for both normal and depth.



Results

Image







Take home message

1. Performing multi-tasks and register them well could help visual tasks.

1. CNN and CRF could be served as an easy starting approach to model relationships.

1. Discover the complementary property could be either learned if you have large data or discovered from observations.

1. Still long way to go, and a lot of opportunities to combine and register tasks.