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# Machine Learning HW13

**Network Compression**

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# Links

- [Kaggle Competition \(with sample code\)](#)
- Colab
  - [Colab sample code \(not recommended\)](#)
  - Report Q3-1
    - [pytorch network pruning tutorial](#)
    - [pruning sample code](#)

# Deadline

- Kaggle, Code(NTU COOL),Report(GradeScope):

**2023/06/23 23:59**

# Task Description

- Network Compression: Make your model smaller without losing the performance.
- In this task, you need to train a very small model to complete HW3 (image classification on the food-11 dataset)

# Dataset - food-11

- Same as HW3 but with **different order**.



# Dataset - food-11

- The images are collected from the food-11 dataset classified into 11 classes.
- Training set: 9993 labeled images
- Validation set: 4432 labeled images
- Evaluation set: 2218 images
- **DO NOT** attempt to find the original labels of the testing set.
- **DO NOT** use any external datasets.

# Intro

- Knowledge distillation
- Architecture design
- **Network pruning (Report Q3)**
- Parameter Quantization
- Dynamic Computation

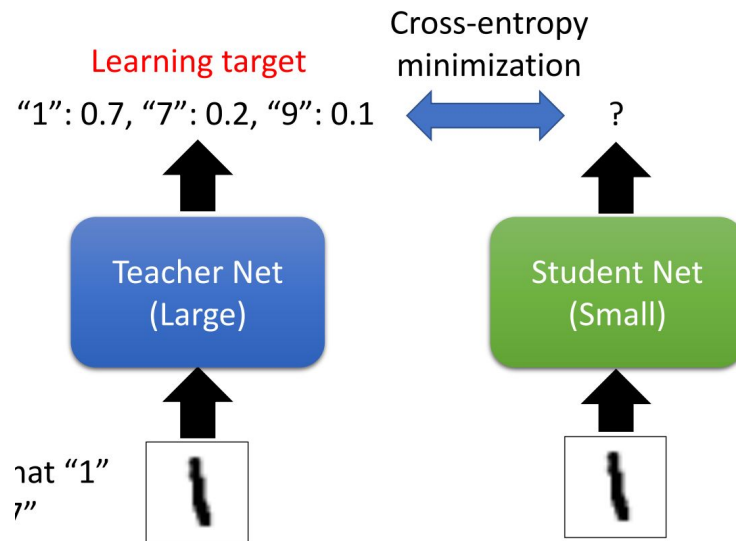
There are many different techniques in network compression. In this homework, we focus more on these three concepts.

video: [【機器學習2021】神經網路壓縮 \(Network Compression\)](#)  
[\(一\) - 類神經網路剪枝 \(Pruning\)](#)  
slides: [Network Compression \(ntu.edu.tw\)](http://ntu.edu.tw)

# Intro - knowledge distillation

- When training a small model, distill some information from the large model (such as the probability distribution of the prediction) to help the small model learn better.
- We have provided a well-trained network to help you do knowledge distillation (test-Acc  $\approx$  0.902).
- Feel free to train your own teacher network. **But you can not use any pretrained model or additional dataset.**

[Knowledge Distillation. Knowledge distillation is model... | by Ujjwal Upadhyay | Neural Machine | Medium](#)

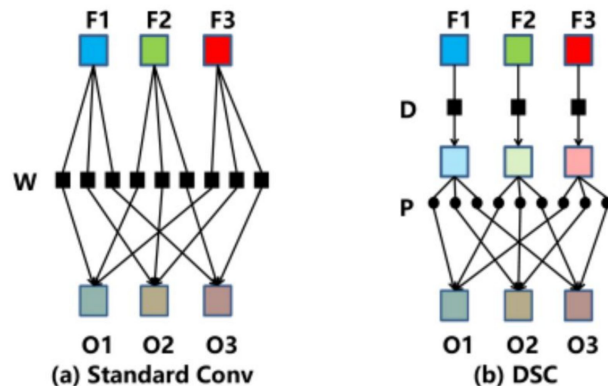


ref: [Network Compression \(ntu.edu.tw\)](http://Network Compression (ntu.edu.tw))

# Intro - architecture design

- Depthwise & Pointwise Convolution Layer
  - You can consider the original convolution as a Dense/Linear Layer, but each line/each weight is a filter, and the original multiplication becomes a convolution operation. (input\*weight  $\rightarrow$  input \* filter)
  - Depthwise: let each channel pass a respective filter first, and let every pixel pass the shared-weight Dense/Linear.
  - Pointwise is a 1x1 Conv.
- It is strongly recommended that you use similar techniques to design your model. (IOkk vs lkk+IO)

[A Basic Introduction to Separable Convolutions | by Chi-Feng Wang | Towards Data Science](#)





# Regulations

- You should **NOT** plagiarize, if you use any other resource, you should cite it in the reference. ( \* )
- **DO NOT** share codes or prediction files with any living creatures.
- **DO NOT** use any approaches to submit your results more than 5 times a day.
- **DO NOT** search or use additional data.
- **DO NOT** search the label or dataset on the Internet.
- **DO NOT use pre-trained models on any image datasets.**
- Your final grade  $\times 0.9$  if you violate any of the above rules.
- Prof. Lee & TAs preserve the rights to change the rules & grades.

# Special Regulations - 1

- **Make sure that the total number of parameters of your model should less than or equal to 60, 000.**
  - Please make sure to follow this rule before submitting kaggle / NTU COOL to prevent anyone from polluting the leaderboard.
  - If you don't follow this rule, you'll get 0 point in this assignment.
- **DO NOT USE TEST DATA FOR PURPOSES OTHER THAN INFERENCE.**
  - Because If you use teacher network to predict pseudo-labels of the test data, you can only use student network to overfit these pseudo-labels without train data. In this way, your kaggle accuracy will be as high as the teacher network, but the fact is that you just overfit the test data and your true testing accuracy is very low.
  - These contradict the purpose of this assignment (network compression); therefore, you should not misuse the test data.

\*If you have any concerns, you can email us.

# Special Regulations - 2

- Please use the **torchsummary** package to measure the number of parameters of your model. Note that non-trainable parameters should also be considered.
- Ensemble techniques / ( or any other multi-model techniques ) are allowed. But you need to **sum all the numbers of the parameters and make sure this number does not exceed 60,000.**

# Grading

- simple (public) +0.5 pts
- simple (private) +0.5 pts
- medium (public) +0.5 pts
- medium (private) +0.5 pts
- strong (public) +0.5 pts
- strong (private) +0.5 pts
- boss (public) +0.5 pts
- boss (private) +0.5 pts
- code submission +2 pts
- report +4 pts

Total : 10 pts

# Grading -- Bonus

If your **ranking is in top 3 on the kaggle private leaderboard**, you can choose to share a bonus report to NTU COOL and get extra **0.5 pts**.

About the report

- Your *name* and *student\_ID*
- Methods you used in code
- Reference
- in 200 words
- **Deadline of the bonus report is at 2023/06/30 23:59**
- Please upload to NTU COOL's discussion of HW13

[Report template](#)

# Baseline Guide

- Simple baseline (acc > 0.44364, <1hour):
  - Just run the code and submit.
- Medium baseline (acc > 0.68440, <3hour):
  - Complete KL divergence loss function for knowledge distillation, control alpha & T and train longer.
- Strong baseline (acc > 0.78268, 8~12hour):
  - Modify model architecture with depth-wise and point-wise convolutions.
    - You can also take great ideas from MobileNet, ShuffleNet, DenseNet, SqueezeNet, GhostNet, etc.
  - Any method and techniques you learned in HW3. For example, stronger data augmentation, hyperparameters you used in HW3.

# Baseline Guide

- Boss baseline (acc > 0.82326, unmeasurable):
  - Implement other advanced knowledge distillation
    - For example, [FitNet](#), [Relational KD](#), [DML](#)
  - Make your teacher much stronger
    - If your teacher is too strong, you can consider [TAKD](#) techniques.

# Report Questions - 1

1-1. Please copy&paste your student model architecture code to the HW13 GradeScope (**0.5pts**).

1-2. Copy&Paste the *torchsummary* result of your student model to HW13 GradeScope. The *total params* should not exceed **60,000** (**0.5pts**).



## Report Questions - 2

2-1. Please copy and paste your KL divergence loss function (`loss_fn_kd`, choose `alpha=0.5`, `temperature=1.0`) to HW13 GradeScope (**0.5pts**).

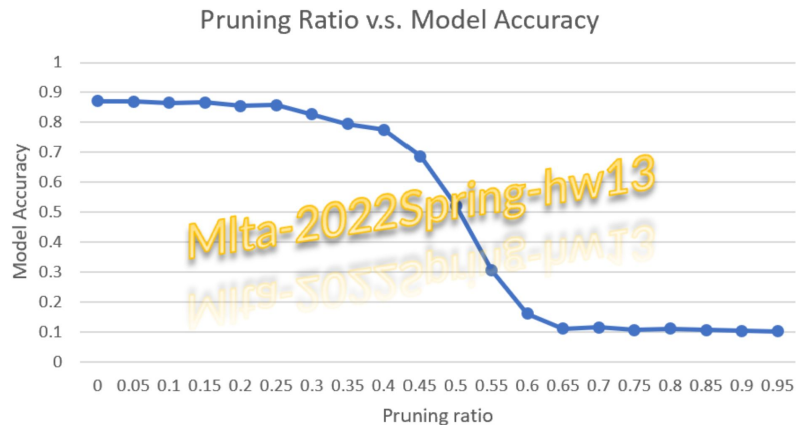
2-2. Which is true about the hyperparameter  $T$  (temperature) of KL divergence loss function for knowledge distillation (**0.5pts**)?

- (a). Using a higher value for  $T$  produces a softer probability distribution over classes.
- (b). Using a higher value for  $T$  produces a harder probability distribution over classes

ref: [1503.02531.pdf \(arxiv.org\)](#)

# Report Questions - 3-1

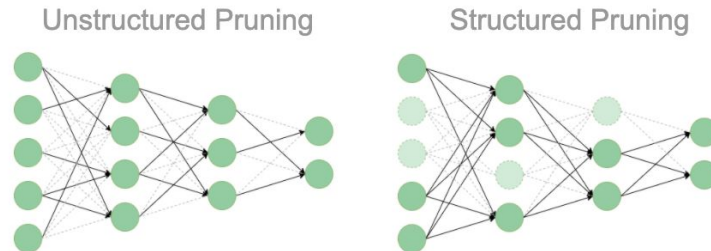
Please reference to this [pytorch network pruning tutorial](#) and the [provided sample code](#) to adopt network pruning on your teacher network (you can also use the provided one). Plot the graph like below to indicate the relationship between pruning ratio and accuracy (use validation set). **Please checkout HW13 GradeScope for more details about this question (1pts).**



# Report Questions - 3-2

Please watch this [lecture](#) about Structured/Unstructured pruning from Prof. Hung-Yi, Lee.

Is there a difference in inference speed between two versions of the same model, one using structured pruning and the other using unstructured pruning? Why?(**1pts**).



# Code Submission

- NTU COOL
  - Compress your code and pack them into **.zip file**  
**<student\_ID>\_hw13.zip**
  - Your **.zip** file should include
    - **Code:** either **hw13.py** or **hw13.ipynb**
    - **student\_best.ckpt** (Can reproduce the result of one of your chosen submission on the Kaggle competition.)
  - **Submit the code and the student\_best.ckpt that corresponds to your chosen submission in Kaggle (One of the best)**

# Report Submission

- Answer the questions on [HW13 GradeScope](#).

# If you have any question...

- NTU COOL (recommended)
  - [HW13 discussion board](#)
- Kaggle discussion
- Email
  - [mlta-2023-spring@googlegroups.com](mailto:mlta-2023-spring@googlegroups.com)
  - The title should begin with “[hw13]”