DEEP LEARNING FOR DETECTING ANOMALIES AND SOFTWARE VULNERABILITIES



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REAL-WORLD FAILURE OF ANOMALY DETECTION



London, July 7, 2005







Real world - what are the operators monitoring?

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OUR APPROACH TO SECURITY: (DEEP) MACHINE LEARNING

Usual detection of attacks are based on profiling and human skills But attacking tactics change overtime, creating zero-day attacks Systems are very complex now, and no humans can cover all → It is best to use machine to learn continuously and automatically.

- \rightarrow Humans can provide feedbacks for the machine to correct itself.
- \rightarrow Deep learning is on the rise.

For now: It is best for human and machine to co-operate.

SOLVING REAL WORLD PROBLEMS IS REWARDING



AGENDA

Part I: Introduction to deep learning •A brief history

- Top 3 architectures
- Unsupervised learning
- Part II: Anomaly detection

Part III: Software vulnerabilities



Yann LeCun **1988**



Rosenblatt's perceptron

1958



Geoff Hinton **2006**





2012





2016-2017





http://redcatlabs.com/2016-07-30_FifthElephant-DeepLearning-Workshop/#/

DEEP LEARNING IS SUPER HOT



DEEP LEARNING IS NEURAL NETS, BUT ...



TWO LEARNING PARADIGMS

Supervised learning (mostly machine)

 $A \rightarrow B$

Will be quickly solved for "easy" problems (Andrew Ng)

Unsupervised learning

(mostly human)

$$\mathbf{v} \sim P_{model}(\mathbf{v})$$
$$P_{model}(\mathbf{v}) \approx P_{data}(\mathbf{v})$$

KEY IN MACHINE LEARNING: FEATURE ENGINEERING

In typical machine learning projects, 80-90% effort is on <u>feature engineering</u>
A right feature representation doesn't need much work. Simple linear methods often work well.

Text: BOW, n-gram, POS, topics, stemming, tf-idf, etc.

Software: token, LOC, API calls, #loops, developer reputation, team complexity, report readability, discussion length, etc.

Try yourself on Kaggle.com!



Block representation

RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORKS: TEMPORAL DYNAMICS



Source: http://karpathy.github.io/assets/rnn/diags.jpeg

CONVOLUTIONAL NETS: MOTIF DETECTION



adeshpande3.github.io

Deep Learning = Learning Hierarchical Representations Y LeCun

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It's deep if it has more than one stage of non-linear feature



Slide from Yann LeCun

Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus₆2013]



UNSUPERVISED LEARNING

WE WILL BRIEFLY COVER

Word embedding

Deep autoencoder RBM \rightarrow DBN \rightarrow DBM

Generative Adversarial Net (GAN)





(Mikolov et al, 2013)



DEEP AUTOENCODER – SELF **RECONSTRUCTION OF DATA**



GENERATIVE MODELS

Many applications:

 $\mathbf{v} \sim P_{model}(\mathbf{v})$ $P_{model}(\mathbf{v}) \approx P_{data}(\mathbf{v})$

- Text to speech
- Simulate data that are hard to obtain/share in real life (e.g., healthcare)
- Generate meaningful sentences conditioned on some input (foreign language, image, video)
- Semi-supervised learning
- Planning

A FAMILY: RBM \rightarrow DBN \rightarrow DBM





(~1994, 2001)

Deep Belief Net (2006)

Deep Boltzmann Machine (2009)

GAN: GENERATIVE ADVERSARIAL NETS (GOODFELLOW ET AL, 2014)

Yann LeCun: GAN is one of best idea in past 10 years!

Instead of modeling the entire distribution of data, learns to map ANY random distribution into the region of data, so that **there is no discriminator that can distinguish sampled data from real data**.

$$\min_{G} \max_{D} V(D,G) = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\mathsf{data}}(\boldsymbol{x})} [\log D(\boldsymbol{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{z} \sim p_{\boldsymbol{z}}(\boldsymbol{z})} [\log(1 - D(G(\boldsymbol{z})))]$$

Binary discriminator, usually a neural classifier

Any random distribution in any space

Neural net that maps $z \rightarrow x$

GAN: GENERATED SAMPLES

The best quality pictures generated thus far!





Generated

Real Gen

DEEP LEARNING IN COGNITIVE DOMAINS



Where human can recognise, act or answer accurately within seconds







DEEP LEARNING IN NON-COGNITIVE DOMAINS

- Where humans need extensive training to do well
- Domains that demand transparency & interpretability.





END OF PART I





ANOMALY DETECTION USING UNSUPERVISED LEARNING



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- Part II: Anomaly detection
 - Multichannel
 - Unusual mixed-data co-occurrence
 - Object lifetime model

Part III: Software vulnerabilities



Strategy: learn normality, anything does not fit in is abnormal

PROJECT: DISCOVERY IN TELSTRA SECURITY OPERATIONS

We use smart people and smart tools to discover unknown malicious or risky behaviour to inform and protect Telstra and its customers.

Discovery workflow:



SOFTWARE: SNAPSHOT



A) Anomaly detection systems
B) The main screen showing the residual signal, and the threshold for anomaly detection
C) Top anomalies
D) Event details for selected anomaly

MULTICHANNEL FRAMEWORK

Detect common anomalous events that happen across multiple information channels

1. Cross-channel Autoencoder (CC-AE)

General framework



DETECTION METHOD: AUTOENCODER



METHOD: CROSS-CHANNEL AUTOENCODER

- 1. Single channel anomaly detection
 - For each channel, model the data with an autoencoder
 - Determine the anomalies by analysing the reconstruction errors
- 2. Augmenting the reconstruction errors
 - Augment the reconstruction errors across channels
 - Model the reconstruction errors with an autoencoder
- 3. Cross-channel anomaly detection
 - Determine the cross-channel anomalies by analysing the reconstruction errors

RESULTS 1 – NEWS DATA

A channel is defined to be the stream of articles about a specific topic published by a news agency, e.g. economy-related articles from BBC

- 3 news agencies: BBC, Reuters, and CNN
- 9 predefined topics: politics, sports, health, entertainment, world-news, technology, and Asian news
- Free-form text data

Feature extraction: Bag of words representation

Anomaly injection: Breastfeeding articles




$\mathsf{RESULTS}\ 2-\mathsf{DEAKIN}\ \mathsf{SQUID}\ \mathsf{DATA}$

Squid is a caching and forwarding web proxy.

- Each server is defined to be a channel
- •7 channels with inbound and outbound network data
- Sample datapoint:



RESULTS 2 – DEAKIN SQUID DATA



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MIXED DATA

	А	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J
1	Age	Sex	Chest pain type	Resting blood pressure	Serum cholestoral (mg/dl)	Fasting blood sugar > 120 mg/dl ?	Resting electrocardiographic result	Maximum heart rate achieved	Exercise induced angina	oldpeak = ST depression induced by exercise relative to rest
2	70	male	asymptomatic (4)	130.0	322.0	no	2	109.0	no	2.4
3	67	female	non-anginal pain (3)	115.0	564.0	no	2	160.0	no	1.6
4	57	male	atypical angina (2)	124.0	261.0	no	0	141.0	no	0.3
5	64	male	asymptomatic (4)	128.0	263.0	no	0	105.0	yes	0.2
6	74	female	atypical angina (2)	120.0	269.0	no	2	121.0	yes	0.2
7	65	male	asymptomatic (4)	120.0	177.0	no	0	140.0	no	0.4
8	56	male	non-anginal pain (3)	130.0	256.0	yes	2	142.0	yes	0.6
9	59	male	asymptomatic (4)	110.0	239.0	no	2	142.0	yes	1.2
10	60	male	asymptomatic (4)	140.0	293.0	no	2	170.0	no	1.2
11	63	female	asymptomatic (4)	150.0	407.0	no	2	154.0	no	4.0
12	59	male	asymptomatic (4)	135.0	234.0	no	0	161.0	no	0.5
13	53	male	asymptomatic (4)	142.0	226.0	no	2	111.0	yes	0.0
14	44	male	non-anginal pain (3)	140.0	235.0	no	2	180.0	no	0.0
15	61	male	typical angina (1)	134.0	234.0	no	0	145.0	no	2.6
16	57	female	asymptomatic (4)	128.0	303.0	no	2	159.0	no	0.0
17	71	female	asymptomatic (4)	112.0	149.0	no	0	125.0	no	1.6
18	46	male	asymptomatic (4)	140.0	311.0	no	0	120.0	yes	1.8
19	53	male	asymptomatic (4)	140.0	203.0	yes	2	155.0	yes	3.1
20	64	male	typical angina (1)	110.0	211.0	no	2	144.0	yes	1.8
21	40	male	typical angina (1)	140.0	199.0	no	0	178.0	yes	1.4
22	67	male	asymptomatic (4)	120.0	229.0	no	2	129.0	yes	2.6



Restricted Boltzmann Machine $F(\boldsymbol{x}) = -\sum_{i} \left(a_i x_i + \sum_{k} \log(1 + \exp(x_i W_{ik} + b_k)) \right)$



RESULTS OVER REAL DATASETS

Dataset	Single type			mixed-type			
Dataset	GMM	OCSVM	PPCA	BMM	ODMAD	GLM-t	Mv.RBM
KDD99-10	0.42	0.54	0.55	_	—	—	0.71
Australian Credit	0.74	0.84	0.38	0.972	0.942	_	0.90
German Credit	0.86	0.86	0.02	0.934	0.810	_	0.95
Heart	0.89	0.76	0.64	0.872	0.630	0.72	0.94
Thoracic Surgery	0.71	0.71	0.70	0.939	0.879	_	0.90
Auto MPG	1.00	1.00	0.67	0.625	0.575	0.64	1.00
Contraceptive	0.62	0.84	0.02	0.673	0.523	—	0.91
Average	0.75	0.79	0.43	0.84	0.73	0.68	0.91





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(k-NN, errors = 15/20)



(RBM, errors = 10/20)

2	6	\$	2
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8	Ľ	6	2
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4	7	7	0

(MAD-L2p2, errors = 8/20)

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OBJECT LIFETIME MODELS

Objects with a life

- User
- Devices
- Account

Detect unusual behavior at a given time given object's history

-I.e., (Low) conditional probability of next event/action/observation given the history

Two properties:

- Irregular time by internal activities
- Intervention by external agents

DEEPEVOLVE: A MODEL OF EVOLVING BODY

States are a dynamic memory process \rightarrow LSTM moderated by time and intervention

Discrete observations \rightarrow vector embedding

Time and previous intervention \rightarrow "forgetting" of old states

Current intervention \rightarrow controlling the current states



New in DeepEvolve 50

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MALICIOUS URL CLASSIFICATION

Countries with the highest number of users who clicked malicious URLs in 2015



TRADITIONAL METHOD: FEATURE ENGINEERING + CLASSIFIER

Protocols

Domains, countries IP-based analysis Lexical analysis Query analysis Handling shortening & dynamically-generated queries N-grams Special characters Blacklist

NEW METHOD: LEARNABLE CONVOLUTION AS FEATURE DETECTOR

 $y_i = \sum_c K(c) x_{i+c}$ Learnable kernels



END-TO-END MODEL OF MALICIOUS URLS



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SOFTWARE ANALYTICS DATA-DRIVEN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING PROJECT: SAMSUNG GLOBAL REACH



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MOTIVATIONS

Software is eating the world.

IoT development is exploding. Software security is an extremely critical issue

Vulerable source files: 0.3-5%, depending on code review policy & quality ot code.

General approach: Machine learning instead of human manual effort and programming heuristics

Many software metrics have been found:

 Bugs, code complexity, churn rate, developer network activity metrics, fault history metrics,

Question: can machine learn all of these by itself?



APPROACH: CODE MODELING

Open source code is massive

Bad coding is often the sign of bugs and security holes

Malicious code may be different from the safe code

Ideas:

- A code model assigns probability to a piece of code
- Given the code context, if conditional probability of a code piece per token is low compared to the rest \rightarrow unusual code \rightarrow more likely to contain defects or security vulnerability

A DEEP LANGUAGE MODEL FOR SOFTWARE CODE (DAM ET AL, FSE'16 SE+NL)

A good language model for source code would capture the long-term dependencies

The model can be used for various prediction tasks, e.g. defect prediction, code duplication, bug localization, etc.





CHARACTERISTICS OF SOFTWARE CODE

Repetitiveness

• E.g. for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)

Localness

• E.g. *for (int size* may appear more often that *for (int i* in some source files.

Rich and explicit structural information

• E.g. nested loops, inheritance hierarchies

Long-term dependencies

• *try* and *catch* (in Java) or file *open* and *close* are not immediately followed each other.

A LANGUAGE MODEL FOR SOFTWARE CODE

Given a code sequence $s = \langle w_1, \ldots, w_k \rangle$, a language model estimate the probability distribution P(s):

$$P(s) = P(w_1) \prod_{t=2}^{k} P(w_t \mid \boldsymbol{w}_{1:t-1})$$

where $\boldsymbol{w}_{1:t-1} = (w_1, w_2, ..., w_{t-1})$ is the historical *context* used to estimate the probability of the next code token w_t .

TRADITIONAL MODEL: N-GRAMS

Truncates the history length to n-1 words (usually 2 to 5 in practice) Useful and intuitive in making use of repetitive sequential patterns in code Context limited to a few code elements •Not sufficient in complex SE prediction tasks.

As we read a piece of code, we understand each code token based on our understanding of previous code tokens, i.e. the information persists.

NEW METHOD: LONG <u>SHORT-TERM</u> MEMORY (LSTM)



CODE LANGUAGE MODEL



Previous work has applied RNNs to model software code *(White et al, MSR 2015)* RNNs however do not capture the long-term dependencies in code

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EXPERIMENTS

Built dataset of 10 Java projects: Ant, Batik, Cassandra, Eclipse-E4, Log4J, Lucene, Maven2, Maven3, Xalan-J, and Xerces.

Comments and blank lines removed. Each source code file is tokenized to produce a sequence of code tokens.

- Integers, real numbers, exponential notation, hexadecimal numbers replaced with <num> token, and constant strings replaced with <str> token.
- Replaced less "popular" tokens with <unk>

Code corpus of 6,103,191 code tokens, with a vocabulary of 81,213 unique tokens.

EXPERIMENTS (CONT.)

sent-len	embed-dim	RNN	LSTM	improv $\%$
10		13.49	12.86	4.7
20		10.38	9.66	6.9
50	50	7.93	6.81	14.1
100	50	7.20	6.40	11.1
200		6.64	5.60	15.7
500		6.48	4.72	27.2
	20	7.96	7.11	10.7
100	50	7.20	6.40	11.1
100	100	7.23	5.72	20.9
	200	9.14	5.68	37.9

Table 1: Perplexity on test data (the smaller the better).

Both RNN and LSTM improve with more training data (whose size grows with sequence length).

LSTM consistently performs better than RNN: 4.7% improvement to 27.2% (varying sequence length), 10.7% to 37.9% (varying embedding size).

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METHOD-2: DEEP SEQUENTIAL MULTI-INSTANCE LEARNING

Code file as a bag Methods as instances Data are sequential


COLUMN BUNDLE FOR N-TO-1 MAPPING (PHAM ET AL, WORK IN PROGRESS)





Thank you!



- Group theory (Lie algebra, renormalisation group, spinclass)
- Differential Turing machines
- Memory, attention & reasoning
- Reinforcement learning & planning
- Lifelong learning
- Dropouts & batch-norm
- Rectifier linear transforms & skip-connections
- Highway nets, LSTM & CNN
- Representation learning (RBM, DBN, DBM, DDAE)
- Ensemble
- Back-propagation
- Adaptive stochastic gradient

WHY DEEP LEARNING WORKS: PRINCIPLES

Expressiveness

- Can represent the complexity of the world \rightarrow Feedforward nets are universal function approximator
- Can compute anything computable \rightarrow Recurrent nets are Turing-complete

Learnability

- Have mechanism to learn from the training signals \rightarrow Neural nets are highly trainable Generalizability
- Work on unseen data → Deep nets systems work in the wild (Self-driving cars, Google Translate/Voice, AlphaGo)

WHEN DEEP LEARNING WORKS

Lots of data (e.g., millions)

Strong, clean training signals (e.g., when human can provide correct labels – cognitive domains).

- Andrew Ng of Baidu: When humans do well within sub-second.

Data structures are well-defined (e.g., image, speech, NLP, video)

Data is compositional (luckily, most data are like this)

The more primitive (raw) the data, the more benefit of using deep learning.

BONUS: HOW TO POSITION

"[...] the dynamics of the game will evolve. In the long run, the right way of playing football is <u>to position yourself</u> <u>intelligently and to wait for the ball to come to you</u>. You'll need to run up and down a bit, either to respond to how the play is evolving or to get out of the way of the scrum when it looks like it might flatten you." (*Neil Lawrence, 7/2015, now with Amazon*)



http://inverseprobability.com/2015/07/12/Thoughts-on-ICML-2015/

THE ROOM IS WIDE OPEN

Architecture engineering Non-cognitive apps Unsupervised learning Graphs

Learning while preserving privacy

Modelling of domain invariance

Better data efficiency

Multimodality

Learning under adversarial stress

Better optimization

Going Bayesian

http://smerity.com/articles/2016/architectures_are_the_new_feature_engineering.html