Interpretation, and Applications of Gradients Part 4: Gradients as Expectancy-Mismatch





Objectives Objectives in Part IV

Case Study: Expectancy-Mismatch

- Interpret gradients as Expectancy-Mismatch
 - Define expectancy-mismatch utilizing saliency
 - Demonstrate counterfactual manifolds as expectancy-mismatch
- Human Visual Saliency
- Image Quality Assessment





Saliency

Saliency in Literature



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Similar to introspective learning!







Saliency Map



Gradients in the k^{th} layer: Pseudo-saliency maps



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Deriving Gradient-based Implicit Saliency



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Implicit Saliency

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Input Image Groundtruth Proposed Feed-forward Method feature □ Feed-forward expectation features:

- Edges and textures
- Without specific localization
- □ Proposed expectation-mismatch Saliency:
 - Localized saliency maps
 - Highly correlated with ground truth





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Contrastive Saliency outperforms explanation methods like GradCAM and Guided Backprop

Networks		N	ISS		CC			
	ResNet-18	ResNet-34	ResNet-50	ResNet-101	ResNet-18	ResNet-34	ResNet-50	ResNet-101
GradCam	0.7657	0.7545	0.7203	0.7335	0.3496	0.3396	0.3190	0.3210
GBP	0.3862	0.4191	0.3898	0.3415	0.2474	0.2453	0.2443	0.2233
Contrastive Saliency	0.8274	0.8018	0.7659	0.7981	0.4132	0.4112	0.3868	0.4051



GradCam





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Training data

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Saliency Models

SalGan

ML-Net

DeepGazell

ShallowDeep

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Compare performance of unsupervised Contrastive Saliency model against existing saliency models



Existing Learning based methods



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NSS				CC					
Sal Gan	Deep GazeII	ML Net	Shallow	Contrastive Saliency	Sal Gan	Deep GazeII	ML Net	Shallow	Contrastive Saliency
0.8977	0.6214	0.5431	0.9306	0.7981	0.6280	0.5927	0.4481	0.5120	0.4051



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Contrastive Saliency drops the least performance with noise added



			NSS			CC				
Gaussian Blur	Sal Gan	Deep GazeII	ML Net	Shallow Deep	Contrastive Saliency	Sal Gan	Deep GazeII	ML Net	Shallow Deep	Contrastive Saliency
r = 0	0.8977	0.6214	0.5431	0.9306	0.7981	0.6280	0.5927	0.4481	0.5120	0.4051
r = 50	$\downarrow 0.2239$	$\downarrow 0.3436$	$\downarrow 0.2484$	$\downarrow 0.2025$	$\downarrow 0.1793$	$\downarrow 0.2731$	$\downarrow 0.3954$	$\downarrow 0.2940$	$\downarrow 0.1840$	$\downarrow 0.1432$



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Image Quality Assessment What is IQA?



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IQA is the objective Assessment of Subjective Quality





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Image Quality Assessment

Expectancy-Mismatch in Dataset Construction



Expectancy-Mismatch arises during Dataset Construction

- Subjects are shown a reference image in a controlled setting
- Based on the reference image, they are asked to pick one of the images on the top that differs least from the reference image
- Reference image sets the expectancy
- The task of subjectively picking the least mismatched image is IQA

This requires Fine-grained Analysis!



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Our Goal: To determine if a trained IQA detector understands the fine-grained nature of expectancy-mismatch in quality



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Image Quality Assessment GradCAM in IQA



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GradCAM explanation for Why 0.58?



Lighthouse image with level 5 lossy compression from TID 2013 dataset





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Image Quality Assessment GradCAM in IQA



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GradCAM explanation may not be useful for fine-grained analysis

Grad-CAM explanation tells us that the quality score was decided based on all parts of the image and specifically⁸ based on the base of the lighthouse



Lighthouse image with level 5 lossy compression from TID 2013 dataset

t Bad Quality 0.0



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All the distortions in the foreground prevent a quality score of 1



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The distortions on the lighthouse and houses prevent a higher score of 0.75



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The quality of the lighthouse and sky is better than a score of 0.5



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The sky, lighthouse, and cliff merit a quality higher than 0.25



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Contrastive IQA elicits the fine-grained decisions made by the network

Distorted Image -	Grad-CAM :	Why 0.58, rather	Why 0.58, rather	Why 0.58, rather	Why 0.58, rather
Distorted Image - IQA Score 0.48	Grad-CAM : Why 0.48?	Why 0.48, rather than 1?	Why 0.48, rather than 0.75?	Why 0.48, rather than 0.5	Why 0.48, rather than 0.25



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Objectives Takeaways from Part IV

- Part I: Gradients in Neural Networks
- Part 2: Gradients as Information
- Part 3: Gradients as Uncertainty
- Part 4: Gradients as Expectancy-Mismatch
 - Presented a case study of utilizing both the contrastive manifolds and manifold traversal perspectives
 - Human Visual Saliency is a by-product of expectancy-mismatch
 - Neural networks that have never explicitly learned human salient regions have implicitly been trained to use them in tasks
 - Using Contrastive explanations in IQA provides a fine-grained analysis of neural network's perception of quality
- Part 5: Conclusion and Future Directions



