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From Knowledge Driven To Data Driven

Invariance in The Early Era of Deep Learning

- Knowledge Driven: Despite decades of research, these hand-crafted representations still fail to provide sufficient discriminability for large-scale tasks, especially in the discrimination of real-world semantic content.
- Data Driven: As we enter the early era of deep learning, convolutional neural networks achieve strong discriminative power for large-scale tasks, known as *ImageNet moment*.





A. Krizhevsky, 2012 AlexNet

• A Krizhevsky, I Sutskever, GE Hinton. ImageNet classification with deep convolutional neural networks. NIPS , 2012.

A Huge Span of Time

- Neural networks were proposed quite early, dating back to 1950s for the perceptron; but it was not until AlexNet in 2012 that the remarkable achievement was realized.
- What is the missing key?





• F Rosenblatt. The perceptron: a probabilistic model for information storage and organization in the brain. Psychological Review, 1958.

Translations on Neural Networks



"The response of [Perceptrons] was severely affected by the shift in position [...] of the input patterns. Hence, their ability for pattern recognition was not so high." — Fukushima

• K Fukushima, S Miyake. Neocognitron: A new algorithm for pattern recognition tolerant of deformations and shifts in position. Pattern Recognition, 1982.

Convolution And Translation Equivariance

Convolutional Neural Networks

- Convolution with its Translation Equivariance (see also Wavelet Transform) are key to enabling neural networks successful in visual tasks.
 - First, local structures was discovered in the biological vision by Hubel and Wiesel.
 - Then, convolution was introduced into neural networks by Fukushima.
 - Finally, such networks were equipped with learnability and backpropagation by LeCun.
- Invariance still plays an important role, even in the rise of the learning paradigm.













K. Fukushima, 1982 Neocognitron

Y. LeCun, 1989 LeNet

• Y LeCun, B Boser, J Denker, et al. Handwritten digit recognition with a back-propagation network. *NIPS*, 1989.

Translation Equi/In-variance of Convolutional Neural Networks



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