POST-HOC OUT-OF-DISTRIBUTION DETECTION

CS 726: Course Project

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OOD Detection

- ▶ Detecting 'Out-Of-Distribution' samples
- ▶ Usually aims to learn/define a scoring function that assigns high scores to ID data and low scores to OOD data
- \triangleright We focus only on classification problems, after a classifier has already been trained in a standard way (a *post-hoc* setting)
- ▶ A commonly used baseline proposed by [\[HG16\]](#page-19-0)

$$
\text{softmax_score}(x) = \max_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(y|x) = \frac{\max_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} (\exp(\langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle))}{\sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} \exp(\langle y', F(x; \theta^F) \rangle)}
$$

 \blacktriangleright Similarly can define:

max_logit_score(x) = max_{y \in Y} (
$$
\langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle
$$
)
avg_logit_score(x) = $-\frac{1}{K} \sum_{y \in Y} \langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle$

▶ Softmax Classifiers

$$
p(y|x) = \frac{\exp\left(\langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle\right)}{\sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} \exp\left(\langle y', F(x; \theta^F) \rangle\right)}
$$

▶ Energy-based Models

$$
p(y|x) = \frac{\exp(-E(x, y; \theta^E)/T)}{\sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} \exp(-E(x, y'; \theta^E)/T)} = \frac{\exp(-E(x, y; \theta^E)/T)}{\exp(-E(x; \theta^E)/T)}
$$

$$
E(x; \theta^E) = -T \log \left(\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \exp(-E(x, y; \theta^E)/T) \right)
$$

▶ Can view a classifier as an energy-based model

$$
E(x, y; \theta^{E}) = E(x, y; \theta^{F}) = -T\langle y, F(x; \theta^{F}) \rangle
$$

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$$

 \blacktriangleright Use $E(x; \theta^F)$ to score [\[LWOL20\]](#page-19-1)

energy_score(x) =
$$
-E(x; \theta^F)
$$
 = log $\left(\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} exp(\langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle) \right)$

energy_score and softmax_score are related as follows

 $\log \text{softmax_score}(x) = \log \max_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(y|x)$ $=\log \max\limits_{y\in\mathcal{Y}}\exp \left(\langle \, y,\mathit{F}(\mathit{x};\theta^{F}) \rangle\right)-\log$ $\sqrt{ }$ \sum y ′∈Y $\exp\left(\langle \, y', {\mathit{F}}(x; \theta^{\mathit{F}}) \rangle \right)$ ¹ $\overline{1}$ log softmax_score(x) = max_logit_score(x) – energy_score(x)

▶ softmax_score unreliable, as composed of two different scores acting in opposite directions

Asymptotic behaviour of energy score

Let $I_k = \langle y_k, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle$ (the k^{th} logit) Let $M=$ max_logit_score $(x)=$ max $_{y\in \mathcal{Y}}\left(\langle\, y, F(x;\theta^F)\rangle\right)$, let this be achieved at the m^{th} logit.

energy_score(x) =
$$
\log \left(\sum_{y \in Y} \exp (\langle y, F(x; \theta^F) \rangle) \right)
$$

\n= $\log \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \exp (I_k) \right)$
\n= $\log \left(\exp (M) \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{K} \exp (I_k - M) \right)$
\n= $M + \log \left(1 + \sum_{k \neq m} \exp (I_k - M) \right)$

Second term \rightarrow 0 for a 'good' classifier on ID data \Rightarrow energy_score(x) \approx max_logit_score(x) Also observed in practice.

Dirichlet-based OOD Detection

- ▶ Assume a Dirichlet distribution over the softmax-ed logits of the DNN
- \blacktriangleright Estimate concentration parameters α via maximum likelihood

$$
D = \{s^{(i)} = \text{softmax}(F(x^{(i)}; \hat{\theta}^F))\}_{i=1}^N
$$

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$$
NLL(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\sum_k \log \Gamma(\alpha_k) - \log \Gamma\left(\sum_k \alpha_k\right) - \sum_k \left((\alpha_k - 1) \log s_k^{(i)} \right) \right)
$$

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$$
= N \sum_k \log \Gamma(\alpha_k) - N \log \Gamma\left(\sum_k \alpha_k\right) - \sum_k \left((\alpha_k - 1) \sum_i \log s_k^{(i)} \right)
$$

► Get $\hat{\alpha}$ = argmin_{$\alpha > 0$} NLL(α) via gradient descent. Adam converges after a few epochs. \blacktriangleright Define dirichlet score as follows

$$
\text{drichlet_score}(x) = -\sum_{k} \left((\hat{\alpha}_k - 1) \sum_{i} \log s_k^{(i)} \right)
$$

- ▶ For a good classifier $F(x;\hat{\theta}^F)$, expected to have $\alpha_k \approx \alpha_0 \ \forall \ k \in \{1,\ldots,K\}$ with $\alpha_0 \ll 1$
- ▶ Corresponds to a Dirichlet distribution having the density concentrated at the corners of the simplex S_{K-1}
- **►** Check behaviour of log $p(s|\alpha)$ when $\alpha_k = \alpha_0 \forall k \alpha_0 \rightarrow 0^+$ (see report for full derivation)

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\lim_{\alpha_0 \to 0^+} \log p(s|\alpha) = \lim_{\alpha_0 \to 0^+} \left(\log \Gamma(K\alpha_0) - \sum_k \log \Gamma(\alpha_0) \right) - \sum_k \log s_k
$$

 $\propto K \left(\text{energy_score}(x) + \text{avg_logit_score}(x) \right)$

- dirichlet score acts as an ensemble of two different score functions
- ▶ Can be reason behind the consistent improvements observed over the energy_score

Finetuning with dirichlet score

- ▶ The NLL loss defined earlier leads to a natural auxiliary loss function which can be used to fine-tune the model when auxiliary OOD data is available
- \triangleright α 's fixed to the values obtained after fitting to the ID data
- ▶ We aim to calibrate the softmax probabilities of the ID data towards the learnt probability distribution and the OOD data anywhere away from it
- \blacktriangleright X_{in} , X_{out} are batches of ID and OOD data respectively. $t_k^{(j)}$ $\frac{1}{k}$ is the softmax probability of the k^{th} class for the j^{th} sample in the OOD batch. $s_k^{(i)}$ $\kappa_k^{(V)}$ defined in a similar way for X_{in} .

$$
L_{ft}(X_{in}, X_{out}) = \sum_{k} \left((\alpha_{k} - 1) \sum_{i} \log t_{k}^{(i)} \right) - \sum_{k} \left((\alpha_{k} - 1) \sum_{i} \log s_{k}^{(i)} \right)
$$

$$
= \sum_{k} (\alpha_{k} - 1) \left(\sum_{j} \log t_{k}^{(j)} - \sum_{i} \log s_{k}^{(i)} \right)
$$

 \triangleright The below loss can then be used for fine-tuning

$$
L(X_{in}, Y_{in}, X_{out}) = L_{ce}(X_{in}, Y_{in}) + \lambda L_{ft}(X_{in}, X_{out})
$$

Finetuning with energy_score

- ▶ Similar to the previous section, energy_score can be used for finetuning the neural network so that in-distribution-based energies are assigned a lower value and out-of-distribution data is assigned higher values
- \blacktriangleright This allows for more distinguishable in-/out-of-distribution data as we have more flexibility in shaping the energy surface
- ▶ The paper suggested a Dual Margin Loss (DML) which can be appended to the cross-entropy loss in a similar fashion as Dirichlet, with the expression

$$
L_{\text{energy}} = \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{in}}^{\text{train}}} \big(\max(0, E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}) - m_{\text{in}}) \big)^2 + \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{out}}^{\text{train}}} \big(\max(0, m_{\text{out}} - E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}})) \big)^2
$$

- ▶ To set m_{in} , first we find $\mathbb{E}(E(\mathbf{x}_{in}))$ and set it to a value lower than that. For m_{out} , we find $\mathbb{E}(E(\mathbf{x}_{out}))$ where the data is auxiliary, and set m_{out} to be larger than the obtained value
- ▶ Tuning the two margin hyperparameters requires careful tuning, and we claim that having two margins are unnecessary for the task
- ▶ The goal of finetuning and the corresponding loss is to lower the energies of the in-distribution data and increase of the out-of-distribution data
- ▶ We need to heavily penalize those out-of-distribution energies which lie near in-distribution energy ranges. With this intuition, we describe three loss functions which we tested upon, with the motivation in brackets
- ▶ MCL (Minimum Classification Error)

$$
L_{\text{energy}} = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{(x_{in}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{int}}^{\text{train}} \\ (x_{\text{out}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{out}}^{\text{train}}}} \left[\frac{1}{1 + e^{-(E(x_{in}) - E(x_{\text{out}}))}} \right]
$$

▶ LOL(Log/Hinge)

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\text{energy}} = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{in}}^{\text{train}} \\ (\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{out}}^{\text{train}}}}\Big[\log \Big(1 + e^{E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}) - E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}})} \Big) \Big]
$$

▶ HEL (Harmonic Energy)

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L_{\text{energy}} = \mathbb{E}_{\substack{(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{in}}^{\text{train}} \\ (\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}}, y) \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{out}}^{\text{train}}}} \left[-\frac{2E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}})}{1 + E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{in}}) \cdot E(\mathbf{x}_{\text{out}})} \right]
$$

▶ All are parameterless loss functions! Empirically these loss functions beat DML

- ▶ Datasets: MNIST, FMNIST, CIFAR-10, MNIST-35689 (i.e., only the classes 3, 5, 6, 8 and 9 of MNIST)
- ▶ Model: VGG-16
- ▶ Metrics
	- ▶ FPR95: FPR of OOD samples when the TPR for ID samples is 95%. Classification threshold set at the $95th$ percentile of the ID scores.
	- \blacktriangleright AUROC: The area under the receiver operating characteristic
	- ▶ AUPR: Area under the Precision-Recall curve
- ▶ Finetuning settings
	- ▶ No auxiliary dataset available: random patching used to create synthetic auxiliary data from the ID data
	- \triangleright Auxiliary dataset available: a completely different dataset is used for finetuning

Table: S: softmax score, E: energy score, D: dirichlet score

- ▶ All scores perform very well on MNIST
- ▶ Rest are the interesting cases, especially MNIST_35689 vs MNIST_01247 as the softmax_score performs better than both the scores in this case

Results after finetuning with Dirichlet Loss (No aux. setting)

Table: (E, DM): energy score after finetuning with the Dual Margin Loss, (D, D): dirichlet score after finetuning with the dirichlet loss

- ▶ Finetuning with both the losses improve the metrics, compared to the corresponding cases of no finetuning
- ▶ DML has 2 hyperparameters while Dirichlet loss has none

Results after finetuning with Dirichlet Loss (No aux. setting): Plots

Figure: Left: Before finetuning with Dirichlet loss, Right: After finetuning with Dirichlet loss

Table: ID dataset: MNIST 35689, OOD dataset: MNIST 01247, Finetune dataset: CIFAR10

Table: ID dataset: MNIST, OOD dataset: FMNIST, Finetune dataset: CIFAR10

Results after finetuning with Energy losses (Aux. setting): Plots

Figure: Left: Distribution plot for DML, Right: Distribution plot for LOL

 \triangleright Better separation of energy values, less mixing

- ▶ Presented asymptotic analysis of various scores, their inter-relatedness, and a novel score based on the Dirichlet distribution that outperforms the energy score consistently across different metrics and datasets
- ▶ Finetuning (in both settings) improves performance by increasing the ID-OOD energy gap
- \blacktriangleright Having more parameters/margins doesn't improve performance (moreover gives worse in many cases). We can avoid extra tuning of hyperparameters by relying on any of the above margin-less losses
- ▶ Contribution:
	- \triangleright Everyone: Literature survey, running models, debugging, writing report $\&$ presentation
	- ▶ Harshit: Dirichlet-based OOD formulation and analysis, finetuning in no aux. data settings
	- ▶ Eeshaan: Margin-less loss formulation and analysis, finetuning in aux. data settings
	- ▶ Aaron: Attempts at Wasserstein-distance-based score and analysis
	- ▶ Ipsit: Attempts at adversarial robustness and analysis

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