# "Methods for interpreting and understanding deep neural networks"

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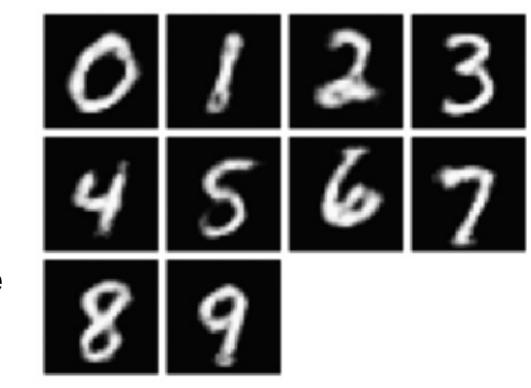
# Motivation

- Understanding and validating deep neural networks is hard
  - Many parameters
  - Highly nonlinear
  - Interpratability wasn't a goal of DNNs
- Ability to validate is neccessary for understanding and real world applicability
- Example: Don't know if high prediction accuracy is due to anomaly in training data

# Interpretation

An *interpretation* is the mapping of an abstract concept (e.g. a predicted class) into a domain that the human can make sense of.

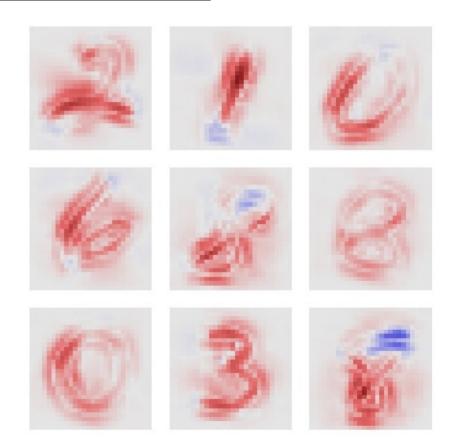
### Goal: Producing a prototype



# Explanation

An <u>explanation</u> is the collection of features of the interpretable domain, that have contributed for a given example to produce a decision (e.g. classification or regression).

Goal: Producing a heatmap



# Part A: Interpreting

- Activation Maximazation (AM)
- AM with an expert
- AM in code space (using Generative Adverserial Networks)

# Activation Maximization

• Producing a prototype via maximizing

$$\max_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(w_c | \mathbf{x}) - \lambda ||\mathbf{x}||^2$$
  
Class probabilities  $l^2$  Regularizer

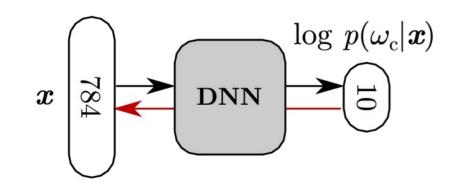
- Class probabilites modeled by the DNN are functions with a gradient
- Use gradient descent to maximize (just like training a DNN in reverse

# Architecture of AM

- Simple to compute
- Regularizer preferes inputs close to the origin (mean of data)
- Unnatural looking protoype

architecture

### found prototypes





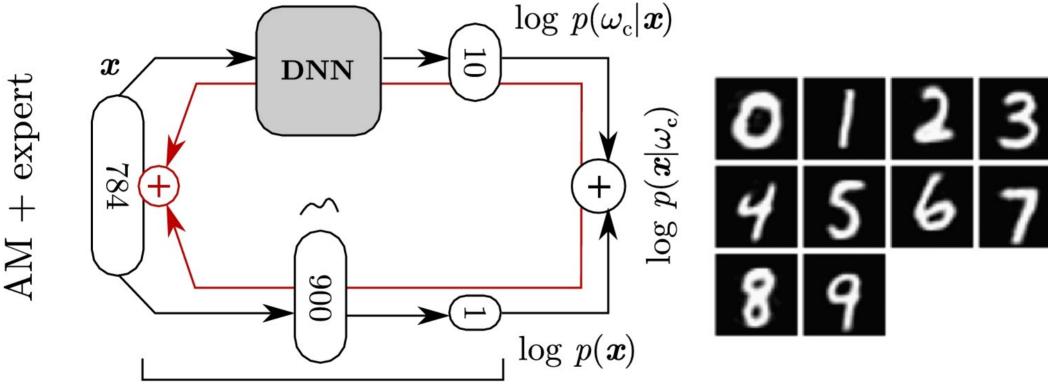
simple AM

# Improving AM with expert

• Replace regularizer with a more sophisticated approach

$$\max_{\mathbf{x}} \log p(w_c | \mathbf{x}) + \log p(\mathbf{x})$$
  
Class probabilities Model of the data

- Expert is the data density
- For example obtained by training an Gaussian RBM
- Often more complex density models are needed

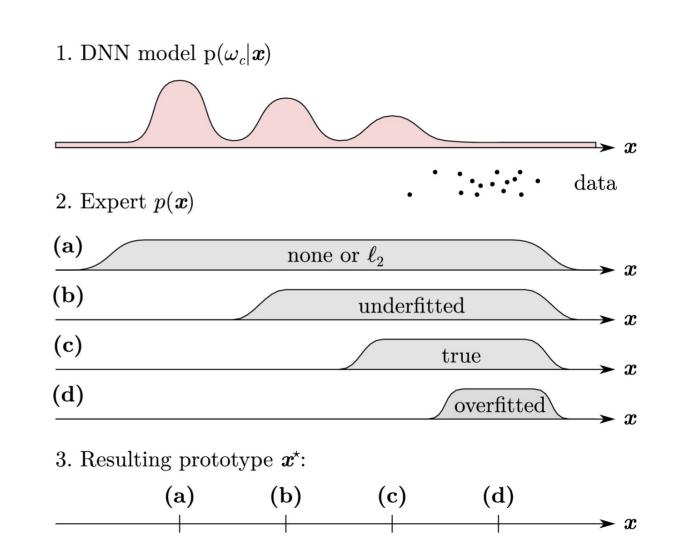


density function

(a) maximation of class probability function

- (b) favoring natural images – often sufficient.
  - (c) desired

(d) optimization of the expert itself, hides failure modes



# Performing AM in code Space

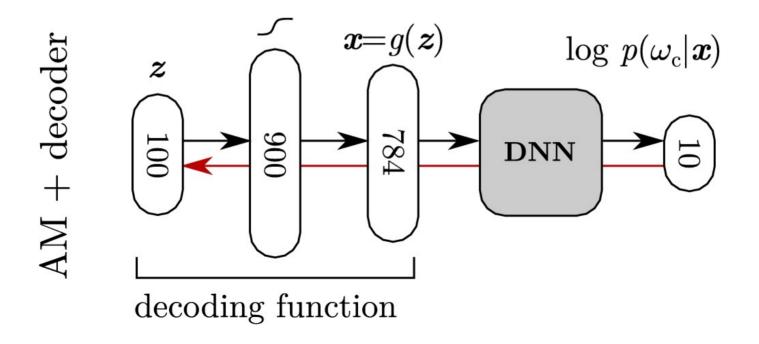
- Often learning the expert to a high accuracy is hard
- Expert often very complex such that maximizing is difficult
- A solution is to not explicitly learn p(x)
- Instead sample from an code space with known distribution which was obtained by training an GAN

$$\max_{\mathbf{z} \in Z} \log p(w_c | g(\mathbf{z})) - \lambda ||\mathbf{z}||^2$$
  
Decoded point in  
Code space

• Then apply decoding function to get a protoype

# Performing AM in code space

- Distribution in code space is by construction Gaussian
- Regularizer favors points with a high probability

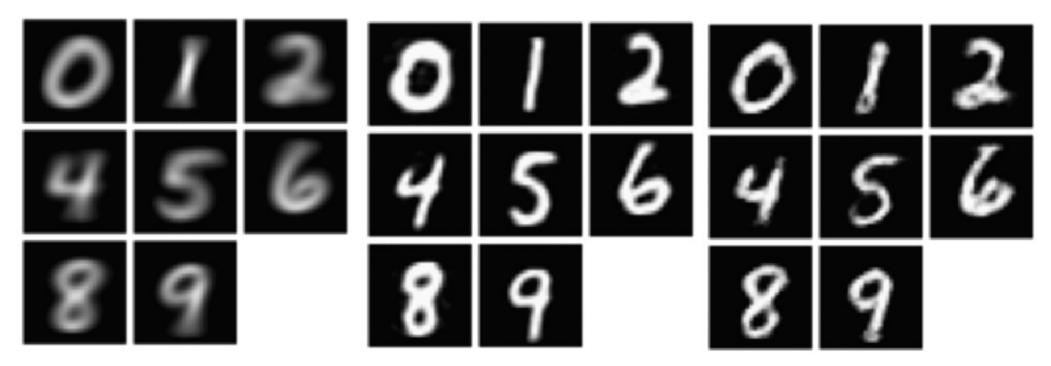




### Simple AM

### AM with expert

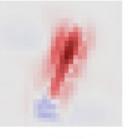
### AM in code space



# Part B: Explaining

- Sensitivity Analysis
  (Layerwise) Relevance Propagation







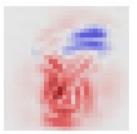






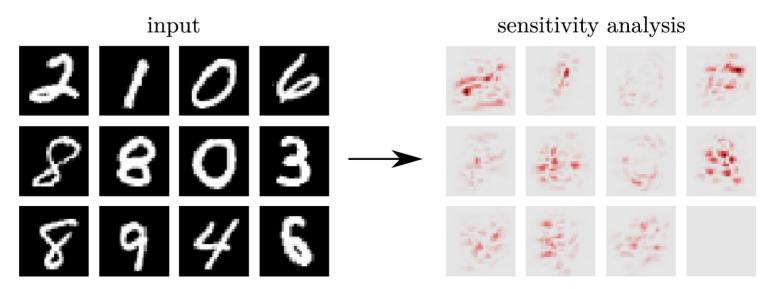






# Sensitivity Analysis

$$R_i(\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}\right)^2$$



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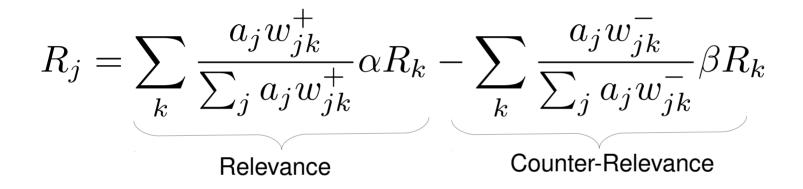
- Gradient is easily calculated via backpropagation
- The measured relevance score is not what is wanted
- Measures not the relevance, but the local slope of it

# **Relevance Propagation**

- Make use of the graph structure of DNNs
- Propagate the relevance score backwards through the network is similar to the backpropagation of the error during the training phase
- Relevance has to be conserved (similar to current in an electric circuit)
- Local conservation at each neuron
- Filtering: Able to block the flow through certain neurons

(1) 
$$a_k = \sigma \left( \sum_j a_j w_{jk} + b_k \right)^{\text{input}}$$
  
(2)  $\sum_j R_{j \leftarrow k} = R_k$   
(3)  $R_j = \sum_k R_{j \leftarrow k}$   
(4)  $\sum_{i=1}^d R_i = f(\mathbf{x})$ 

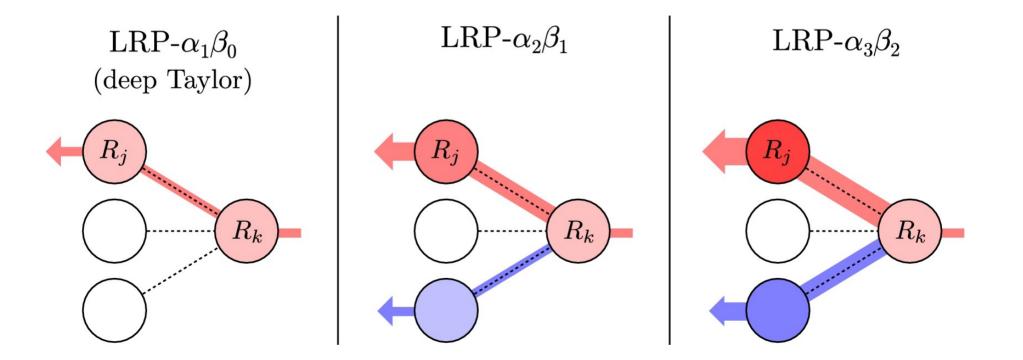
# **Propagation Rule**



$$\alpha - \beta = 1, \beta \ge 0$$

# Hyperparameters of LRP

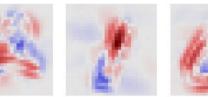
• Ratio of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  determines the influence of counter variance



# LRP- $\alpha_1\beta_0$

LRP- $\alpha_2\beta_1$ 

LRP- $\alpha_3\beta_2$ 















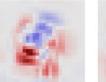


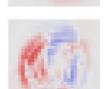












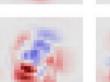














# Conclusion

- Two methods for increasing post-hoc interpretability
- No need to change existing algorithms
- Enables better understanding and validation
- Should be in the toolbox of everyone using DNNs