## Fast 2D Convolution Algorithms summary

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### Outline

- 2D linear systems
- 2D convolutions

Discrete-time 2D Systems Linear & Cyclic 2D convolutions 2D Discrete Fourier Transform, 2D Fast Fourier Transform

Other convolution algorithms

Winograd algorithm

**Block methods** 

Applications in Machine Learning Convolutional neural networks





### **Convolution and correlation**



#### **2D** convolution applications:

- Machine Learning (Convolutional neural networks)
- Image processing

#### 2D correlation applications:

- Feature matching
- Template matching
- Object detection and tracking





#### 2D system:

• It transforms a 2D discrete input signal  $x(n_1, n_2)$  into a 2D discrete-time output signal  $y(n_1, n_2)$ :





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 $\times M_2$  pixels.



• A *Linear Shift Invariant* (*LSI*) system is described by a 2D convolution of input *x* with a convolutional kernel *h*:

$$y(k_1, k_2) = h(k_1, k_2) * * x(k_1, k_2) = \sum_{i_1} \sum_{i_2} h(i_1, i_2) x(k_1 - i_1, k_2 - i_2).$$

- Input x has typically limited region of support (size), e.g., it can be an image of  $N_1 \times N_2$  pixels.
- Convolutional kernel h may have limited or finite region of support









- Finite impulse response (FIR) systems:  $h(n_1, n_2)$  is zero outside some filter mask (region)  $M_1 \times M_2$ ,  $0 \le n_1 < M_1, 0 \le n_2 < M_2$ .
- FIR filters are described by a 2D linear convolution with convolutional kernel *h* of size  $M_1 \times M_2$  is given by:

$$y(k_1,k_2) = h(k_1,k_2) * * x(k_1,k_2) = \sum_{i_1=0}^{n-1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{n-1} h(i_1,i_2)x(k_1-i_1,k_2-i_2).$$

• Usually discrete systems without feedback are FIR ones.



FIR filter example

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• The moving average filter  $M_1 \times M_2$ ,  $M_i = 2\nu_i + 1$ :





 $3 \times 3$  moving average filter.





a) Image Lena; b)  $5 \times 5$  moving average filter output.







#### Animation of 2D Convolution with input padding.







Example of 2D Convolution with input padding.





- A 2D linear convolution of convolutional kernel h of size  $M_1 \times M_2$ operating on an image x of size  $N_1 \times N_2$  of size produces an output image y:
  - of size  $M_1M_2$  using zero padding

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- **Complexity**:  $N_1N_2M_1M_2$  multiplications.
- of size  $(N_1 M_1 + 1) (N_2 M_2 + 1)$ , without input image border padding.
  - **Complexity**:  $(N_1 M_1 + 1) (N_2 M_2 + 1) M_1 M_2$  multiplications.
- In both cases complexity is  $O(N^4)$ , if  $N_1, N_2, M_1, M_2$  are of order N.



A 2D FIR filter output can also be described as inner product:

$$y(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{M_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{M_2-1} h(k_1, k_2) x(k_1 - n_1, k_2 - n_2) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{x}(n_1, n_2).$$

- h = [h(0,0), ..., h(M<sub>1</sub> − 1, M<sub>2</sub> − 1)]<sup>T</sup>: template image vector.
  x(n<sub>1</sub>, n<sub>2</sub>) = [x(n<sub>1</sub>, n<sub>2</sub>), ..., x(n<sub>1</sub> − M<sub>1</sub> + 1, n<sub>2</sub> − M<sub>2</sub> + 1)]<sup>T</sup>: local neighborhood (window) image vector.
- GPU computing and fast linear algebra libraries (e.g., cuBLAS) can be used for 2D convolution and correlation computations.









IIR Edge Detector output.

### **2D linear correlation**



2D *correlation* of template image h and input image x (inner product):

$$r_{hx}(n_1, n_2) = \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2-1} h(k_1, k_2) x(n_1 + k_1, n_2 + k_2) = \mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{x}(n_1, n_2).$$

- $\mathbf{h} = [h(0,0), ..., h(N_1 1, N_2 1)]^T$ : template image vector.
- $\mathbf{x}(n_1, n_2) = [x(n_1, n_2), ..., x(n_1 + N_1 1, n_2 + N_2 1)]^T$ : local neighborhood (window) image vector.



## 2D linear and cyclic convolutions **CML**

• Two-dimensional linear convolution with convolutional kernel h of size  $M_1 \times M_2$  is given by:

$$y(k_1, k_2) = h(k_1, k_2) * * x(k_1, k_2) = \sum_{i_1=0}^{M_1-1} \sum_{i_2=0}^{M_2-1} h(i_1, i_2) x(k_1 - i_1, k_2 - i_2).$$

• Its two-dimensional cyclic convolution counterpart of support  $N_1 \times N_2$  is defined as:

$$y(k_1,k_2) = h(k_1,k_2) \circledast x(k_1,k_2) = \sum_{i_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{i_2}^{N_2-1} h(i_1,i_2) x\left((k_1-i_1)_{N_1},(k_2-i_2)_{N_2}\right).$$





### **2D Discrete Fourier Transform**

$$X(k_1, k_2) = \sum_{n_1=0}^{N_1-1} \sum_{n_2=0}^{N_2-1} x(n_1, n_2) W_{N_1}^{n_1 k_1} W_{N_2}^{n_2 k_2}$$

$$x(n_1, n_2) = \frac{1}{N_1 N_2} \sum_{k_1=0}^{N_1 - 1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{N_2 - 1} X(k_1, k_2) W_{N_1}^{-n_1 k_1} W_{N_2}^{-n_2 k_2}.$$

• Complex roots of unity:

$$W_{N_i} = \exp\left(-i\frac{2\pi}{N_i}\right), \quad i = 1,2.$$

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## **2D Discrete Fourier Transform**

Cyclic spatial translation (shift):

$$\begin{split} y(n_1,n_2) &= x(((n_1-m_1))_{N_1},((n_2-m_2))_{N_2}) \leftrightarrow \\ Y(k_1,k_2) &= W_{N_1}^{m_1k_1} W_{N_2}^{m_2k_2} X(k_1,k_2), \end{split}$$

$$((n))_N \stackrel{\Delta}{=} n \mod N.$$

• Frequency shift:

 $\begin{aligned} x(n_1, n_2) &= W_{N_1}^{-n_1 l_1} W_{N_2}^{-n_2 l_2} w(n_1, n_2) \leftrightarrow \\ X(k_1, k_2) &= X(((k_1 - l_1))_{N_1}, ((k_2 - l_2))_{N_2}) \end{aligned}$ 





 $n_1$ 

### **2D Discrete Fourier Transform**



Circular shift of a 2D sequence.





• Cyclic Convolution Theorem:

$$y(n_1, n_2) = x(n_1, n_2) \circledast \circledast h(n_1, n_2),$$
  
$$Y(k_1, k_2) = X(k_1, k_2)H(k_1, k_2).$$

Cyclic Correlation:

 $\begin{aligned} r_{hx}(n_1, n_2) &= h(n_1, n_2) \circledast x(-n_1, -n_2), \\ R_{hx}(k_1, k_2) &= H^*(k_1, k_2) X(k_1, k_2). \end{aligned}$ 



### 2D Cyclic Convolution Calculation with DFT





2D convolution calculation using the DFTs.





Zero padding for embedding a 2D linear convolution to a cyclic one.



## 2D Linear Convolution with DFT

- Compute the  $N_1 \times N_2$  2D DFTs of  $x_p(n_1, n_2)$  and  $h_p(n_1, n_2)$ ;
- Compute  $Y_p(k_1, k_2)$  as the product of  $X_p(k_1, k_2)$  and  $H_p(k_1, k_2)$ ;
- Compute  $y_p(n_1, n_2)$  as the inverse 2D DFT of  $Y_p(k_1, k_2)$ ;
- The result is the region  $[0, L_1) \times [0, L_2)$  of  $y_p(n_1, n_2)$ .
- 2D DFTs are calculated fast through 2D Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithms.
- Typically, 2D DFT length is chosen to be a power of 2:  $L_i = 2^{l_i} \ge N_i + M_i - 1, \quad i = 1, 2.$



### **Convolutions using 2D FFT**



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• Direct approach is faster for a small filter  $M_1 \times M_2$  when:

 $M_1M_2 < 6\log_2(N_1N_2) + 4.$ 





### **Convolutions using 2D FFT**

- For larger filters (close to the image size), computational complexity is:
  - $O(kN^4)$  for the direct method.
  - $O(kN^2 \log_2 N)$  using 2D FFT.



Computational complexity of 2D FIR filters.





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• Winograd 2D convolution algorithms or fast 2D filtering:

 $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\otimes\mathbf{B}\mathbf{h}).$ 

 GEneral Matrix Multiplication \* (GEMM) BLAS or cuBLAS routines can be used.





- Alternative Winograd algorithm formulation:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{B}^T (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \otimes \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{R}\mathbf{h}).$
- Matrices A, B typically have elements 0, +1, -1.
- Multiplications  $C^T Rh$ ,  $RB^T y'$  are done only by additions/subtractions.
- **R** is an  $N \times N$  permutation matrix.
- Rh can be precomputed.

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• It has theoretically minimal computational complexity.



• 2D 3  $\times$  3 cyclic convolution definition as 2D polynomial product:

$$Y(z_1, z_2) = H(z_1, z_2)X(z_1, z_2) \mod (z_1^3 - 1), (z_2^3 - 1),$$

where:

$$X(z_1, z_2) = x_{00} + x_{01}z_2 + x_{02}z_2^2 + x_{10}z_1 + x_{11}z_1z_2 + x_{12}z_1z_2^2 + x_{20}z_1^2 + x_{21}z_1^2z_2 + x_{22}z_1^2z_2^2,$$

$$H(z_1, z_2) = h_{00} + h_{01}z_2 + h_{02}z_2^2 + h_{10}z_1 + h_{11}z_1z_2 + h_{12}z_1z_2^2 + h_{20}z_1^2 + h_{21}z_1^2z_2 + h_{22}z_1^2z_2^2.$$





Factorization of:

$$z^3 - 1 = (z - 1)(z^2 + z + 1)$$

can be used to decompose  $X(z_1, z_2)$  as follows:

- $X_1(z_1, z_2) = X(z_1, z_2) \mod(z_1 1), (z_1 1),$ •  $X_2(z_1, z_2) = X(z_1, z_2) \mod(z_1 - 1), (z_2^2 + z_2 + 1),$
- $X_3(z_1, z_2) = X(z_1, z_2) \mod(z_2 1), (z_1^2 + z_1 + 1),$ •  $X_4(z_1, z_2)$

 $= X(z_1, z_2) \mod(z_1^2 + z_1 + 1), (z_2^2 + z_2 + 1).$ 





1 0 0 1 1 1 A = B =0 -1 -1-1-1 1 0 0 -1-10 0 0

Arrays A, B of Winograd  $3 \times 3$  cyclic convolution.





Array C of Winograd  $3 \times 3$  Cyclic Convolution.







0.5 1 1.5 2 2.5 3

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Visualization of Array **A** of Winograd  $3 \times 3$  cyclic convolution.

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3 3.5



- The original 117+13 additions were reduced to 44 additions (*only 36,6% of the original number*).
- Only 9 out of the 13 multiplications are needed because only the last one output element is kept.



Reducing additions in Ax product of Winograd 3 × 3 cyclic convolution.





A = B =0 00

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Arrays A, B of Winograd  $4 \times 4$  cyclic convolution.



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Array C of Winograd  $4 \times 4$  cyclic convolution.

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 Reduction of the total number of additions of a Winograd 4 × 4 Cyclic Convolution to 26.6% of their original number, using precalculated sums.

	Precalc. Additions	Final Additions	Total	Naive approx.	
Ax	40	36	76	352	
$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\otimes\mathbf{C}^T\mathbf{R}\mathbf{h})$	17	24	41	88	
Total additions	57	60	117	440	





Visualization of Array A of Winograd  $4 \times 4$  cyclic convolution.



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- Reducing additions in Ax product of Winograd 3 × 3 cyclic convolution.
- For illustration simplicity, only 13 of 22 Ax product entries are shown.



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### **Nested convolutions**



- Winograd algorithms exist for relatively short convolution lengths.
- Use of efficient short-length convolution algorithms iteratively to build long convolutions
- Does not achieve minimal multiplication complexity
- Good balance between multiplications and additions
  Decomposition:
  - 2D convolution :  $N \times N = N_1 N_2 \times N_1 N_2$ , for  $N_1, N_2$  coprime integers  $(N_1, N_2) = 1$ , can be implemented using nested  $N_1 \times N_1$ ,  $N_2 \times N_2$  convolutions.



### **Block-based 2D convolution**



**2D** overlap-add algorithm is based on the distributive property of convolution:

- An image  $x(i_1, i_2)$  can be divided into  $K_1 \times K_2$  non-overlapping subsequences, having dimensions  $N_{B1} \times N_{B2}$  each:  $x_{k_1k_2}(i_1, i_2) = \begin{cases} x(i_1, i_2) & k_1N_{B1} \le i_1 < (k_1 + 1)N_{B1}, & k_2N_{B2} \le i_2 < (k_2 + 1)N_{B2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- The linear convolution output  $y(n_1, n_2)$  is the sum of the convolution outputs produced by the input sequence blocks:

$$y(i_1, i_2) = x(i_1, i_2) ** h(i_1, i_2) = \sum_{k_1=1}^{K_1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{K_2} x_{k_1k_2}(i_1, i_2) ** h(i_1, i_2) = \sum_{k_1=1}^{K_1} \sum_{k_2=1}^{K_2} y_{k_1k_2}(i_1, i_2).$$

### **Overlap-add algorithm**





Overlap-add algorithm.



### **Overlap-save algorithm**

- Every  $x_{ij}$  item is non-zero, therefore only the inner  $N_1 \times N_2$  part is correct;
- Addition all the 'trimmed' boxes to get the output.
- Block-based algorithms can be easily parallelized.
- They are suitable for GPU computing.



## Convolutional Neural Networks **WAL**

#### **Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN)**:

- employ image convolutions in the first layers.
- They may employ fully connected MLPs in the last layers.





## Convolutional Neural Networks **VML**

#### Convolutional Layers employ:

- A  $d_{out}$  -dimensional *feature descriptor* vector  $\mathbf{z}_{ij} = [z_{ijo}, o = 1, ..., d_{out}]^T$  holds all output features for a feature map location  $[i, j]^T$ .
- The convolution kernel is described by a **4D tensor**:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{W} &= [w_{k_1k_2ro}; \quad k_1 = 1, \dots, M_1, k_2 = 1, \dots, M_2, r = 1, \dots, d_{in}, o = 1, \dots, d_{out}] \in \mathbb{R}^{M_1 \times M_2 \times d_{in} \times d_{out}}. \end{split}$$





### **Convolutional Neural Networks (VML**

• For a convolutional layer l with an activation function  $f^{(l)}(\cdot)$ , multiple incoming features  $d_{in}$  and one single output feature o:

$$a_{ijo}^{(l)} = f^{(l)} \left( \sum_{r=1}^{d_{in}} \sum_{k_1 = -\nu_1^{(l)}}^{\nu_1^{(l)}} \sum_{k_2 = -\nu_2^{(l)}}^{\nu_2^{(l)}} w_{k_1 k_2 ro}^{(l)} a_{(i-k_1)(j-k_2)r}^{(l-1)} + b_o^{(l)} \right).$$

 The input to the first convolutional layer is a multichannel image x<sub>ijr</sub>:

$$a_{ijr}^{(0)} = x_{ijr}$$



### Deep Learning Frameworks



#### Intel Neon

- Neon is a modern deep learning framework created by Nervana Systems.
- Implemented in Python, while Nervana Caffe framework is written in C and C++.
- Impressively fast compared to other frameworks.
- Image processing oriented (not general purpose enough).



#### cuDNN convolution algorithms:

- DIRECT
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-DIRECT;
- FFT
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-FFT;
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-FFT-TILING;
- GEMM
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-GEMM;
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-IMPLICIT-GEMM;
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-IMPLICIT-PRECOMP-GEMM;
- WINOGRAD
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-WINOGRAD;
  - CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-ALGO-WINOGRAD-NONFUSED;

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Data transformation performed for the GEMM convolution approach.

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#### Fastest cuDNN algorithm

- The preferred cuDNN algorithm can be chosen either by the developer or by cuDNN parameter CUDNN-CONVOLUTION-FWD-PREFER-FASTEST, based on input and kernel size.
- GEMM algorithms (IMPLICIT GEMM in particular) are the fastest cuDNN algorithms for tested input and kernel size.
- GEMM-based algorithms transform the inputs and filter to be able to exploit high-performance matrix-matrix multiply operations.





#### cuDNN convolution parameters:

- $3 \times 3$  convolution kernel
- $512 \times 512$  pixel input image
- Winograd 4 × 4 cyclic convolution parameters:
- Same image and convolution kernel size, as in cuDNN convolution.
- Input image blocks (tiles)
  - 65536 2 × 2 input image tiles
- $4 \times 4$  cyclic convolution.

• Overlap-Save block-based convolution implementation.



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- Speed Comparisons of various 2D Convolution Routines.
- Winograd 4 × 4 cyclic convolution routine performs 4.77 × faster than the faster cuDNN convolution and 11.33 × faster than the corresponding cuDNN Winograd linear convolution routine.
- GEMM-0 is the fastest cuDNN algorithm.
- Winograd-6 is based on Linear Winograd convolution algorithm.

		SNR	Time (ms)	xSlower than Winograd Cyclic 4x4
	4x4 Winograd Cyclic	142.54	0.0809	
	cuDNN GEMM-0	140.75	0.3860	4.77
	cuDNN GEMM-1	140.75	0.4575	5.66
	cuDNN GEMM-2	140.75	0.3901	4.82
	cuDNN Winograd-6	140.75	0.9168	11.33
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#### GTX1060 Visual Studio IDE implementation

 Performance Comparison on GTX1060 GPU (1,280 CUDA cores) between Winograd 4 × 4 cyclic convolution and cuDNN Library algorithms for over 1,000 runs.





#### GTX1080 Eclipse IDE

 Performance Comparison on GTX1080 GPU (2,560 CUDA cores) over 1,000 runs between a) Winograd 4 × 4 cyclic convolution and b) cuDNN Library algorithm GEMM-0 which is the fastest cuDNN algorithm in this



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