No Game No Driving

--Transfer driving task via cycleGAN

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Motivations

- Real world scenes contain less sticky situations, which leads to underfitting models in self driving algorithms for tricky cases.
- The evolution of computer graphics made computer games the perfect setting for training self-driving cars (less need for large amount of human annotations).
- How to transfer autonomous driving AI trained on Games to real-world settings slow down the progress of migrations.
- We present to conduct the image domain transfer (Computer Game ⇔ Real World) via cycleGAN
- Who doesn't love Games!!!

Intuitions of CycleGAN

- Machine Translation => Introduces the Cycle Consistency ("back-translation").
- 2. **Adversarial loss** => matching from source domain to target domain
- 3. **Cycle consistency loss** => Prevent mapping from contradicting each other
- 4. Enables domain transfer over **unpaired training dataset** rather than paired one.



CycleGAN architecture

Adversarial loss

$$egin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{ ext{GAN}}(G, D_Y, X, Y) = & \mathbb{E}_{y \sim p_{ ext{data}}(y)}[\log D_Y(y)] \ & + & \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{ ext{data}}(x)}[\log(1 - D_Y(G(x)))] \end{aligned}$$

• Cycle Consistency loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{cyc}}(G,F) = \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{\text{data}}(x)}[\|F(G(x)) - x\|_1] \\ + \mathbb{E}_{y \sim p_{\text{data}}(y)}[\|G(F(y)) - y\|_1].$$

• Full objective

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(G, F, D_X, D_Y) = & \mathcal{L}_{\text{GAN}}(G, D_Y, X, Y) \\ &+ \mathcal{L}_{\text{GAN}}(F, D_X, Y, X) \\ &+ \lambda \mathcal{L}_{\text{cyc}}(G, F), \end{aligned}$$





Implementation Details

• To stabilize the training and generate higher quality results

- Using least square loss instead of negative log likelihood [1]
- \bigcirc G: $E_{x \sim P_{data}}[(D(G(x)) 1)^2]$
- $\bigcirc \qquad \mathsf{D:} \quad E_{y \sim P_{data}}[(D(y) 1)^2] \; + \; E_{x \sim P_{data}}[D(G(x))^2]$

• Network architecture:

- Generator: encoder-decoder structure
 - c7s1-32 => d64 => d128 => r128 * 6 => u64 => u32 => c7s1-3
- Discriminator: classification network in fCNN fashion

■ c64 => c128 => c256 => c512

- o c7s1-32: 7x7 conv-InstanceNorm-ReLU with 32 filters and stride of 1
- o d64: 3x3 conv-InstanceNorm-ReLU with 64 filters
- r128: residual block contains 2 3x3 conv layers
- u64: 3x3 fractional-strided-conv-InstanceNorm-ReLU with 64 filters

[1] Mao, X., Li, Q., Xie, H., Lau, R. Y., & Wang, Z. (2016). Multi-class Generative Adversarial Networks with the L2 Loss Function. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1611.04076*.

Implementation Details

• Dataset:

- Real world data comes from the cityscapes datasets, developed for segmentation[2]
- Game data comes from ECCV 2016 paper that is originally developed for segmentations[3]



[2] M. Cordts, M. Omran, S. Ramos, T. Rehfeld, M. Enzweiler, R. Benenson, U. Franke, S. Roth, and B. Schiele, "The Cityscapes Dataset for Semantic Urban Scene Understanding," in *Proc. of the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)*, 2016.
[3] Richter, S. R., Vineet, V., Roth, S., & Koltun, V. (2016, October). Playing for data: Ground truth from computer games. In *European Conference on Computer Vision* (pp. 102-118). Springer International Publishing.

Result (~1.5k training images, 375 and 425 test images, 200 epochs)

Real Scene

Game Scene (After transferred)

Recovered Scene (from the game scene)















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Intermediate Results



Result (~2.5k training images, 375 and 425 test images, 200 epochs)

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Recovered Scene (from the game scene)







Result (~2.5k training images, 375 and 425 test images, 200 epochs)

Game Scene

Real Scene (After transferred)









Recovered Scene (from the real scene)







Result (High Resolution & larger Net ~1.5k training images, 375 and 425 test images, 200 epochs)

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Results in Video

• Real vs Fake (Transferring from Game to Real world image)





Analysis

Strengths:

- 1. It turns out that we can get good results transferring styles between two unpaired datasets.
- 2. Using the cycle loss function, we can recover the original scene to the maximum degree.
- 3. Using higher resolution images with larger networks produces more clear and vivid images, but significantly longer to train

Analysis

Limitations:

- 1. For complex scenes, transfer images might be distorted and blurry, mainly on the border due to size of training images
- 2. Generating vivid real scene images from simulated images in Game is more difficult compared to producing game images from real scene
- 3. No regularizations over consecutive frames, leading to jittering in consecutive frames
- 4. Increasing # of training samples doesn't improve the results much
- 5. inconsistent results with slight variations in illumination in scene

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