

TMVA Deep Learning Developments - Inference Code Generation for Recurrent Neural Networks

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Project goal

The goal of my project develop the recurrent neural networks operators as defined by the ONNX (Open Neural Network Exchange) standards in the code generation format for the TMVA SOFIE (System for Fast-Inference Code Emit). This was done successfully over the course of the summer.

SOFIE overview

SOFIE is a deep learning inference engine that

- Takes ONNX files as input

and

- Produces a C++ script as output.

Its

- Currently under active development in the ROOT/TMVA team at CERN.

SOFIE today

- Parsing models from ONNX.
- Serialisation of models.
- Support for feedforward neural networks.
- Support for convolutional neural networks.
- and more.

Tasks

- Development of the Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) operator.
- Development of the Long Short-term Memory (LSTM) operator.
- Development of the Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU) operator.

Implementation

- Parse the node of the RNN operator from the ONNX Graph.
- Infer the type and the shape of the output tensors.
- Check the attributes and the input tensors.
- Broadcasting the input tensors when needed.
- Generate the code implementing the forward pass of the RNN operator.

A practical example

```
// Initialize an ONNX parser object
RModelParser_ONNX parser;
// Parse the ONNX model
RModel model = parser.Parse("./gru.onnx");
// Generate the inference code
model.Generate();
// Save the generated code
model.OutputGenerated();
```

Generate the header file

Further developments

What's left

- Adding the tests for the LSTM operator.
- Adding the tests for the GRU operator.

Post GSoC

- Benchmarking the RNNs operators against ONNX runtime.
- Improvements to SOFIE.

Thank you!

<https://github.com/axmat/TMVAFastInferencePrototype>

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