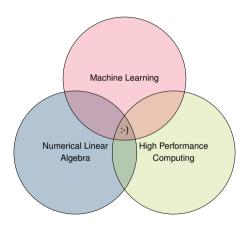


Mathematical Techniques to Reduce Memory Requirements in Deep Learning

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MY RESEARCH INTERESTS





TRAINING LARGE MODELS

Training these large models needs

- Lots of computational resources (GPUs!),
- Lots of data.

Pretraining happens on supercomputers.



(R-U. Limbach / Forschungszentrum Jülich)

Finetuning of smaller models happens on workstations.



NVIDIA

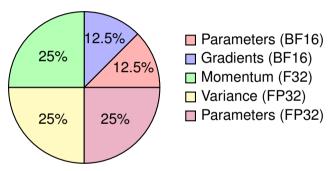
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In both settings, you want to use limited resources efficiently.



GPU MEMORY REQUIREMENTS DURING TRAINING

Using the mixed-precision Adam optimizer.



- + Activations, depending on sequence length and batch size.
- Activations can be reduced using activation checkpointing.



MATRICES EVERYWHERE

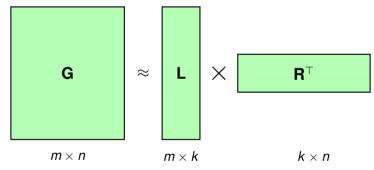


A layer in a neural network is represented by matrices.



LOW-RANK APPROXIMATIONS

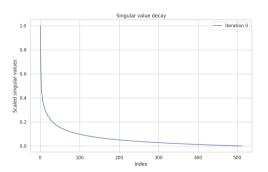
When a matrix has (numerical) low rank, it can be approximated well by smaller matrices.



- Numerical low rank can be observed for gradients, momentum and variance.
- \rightarrow These matrices can be compressed.

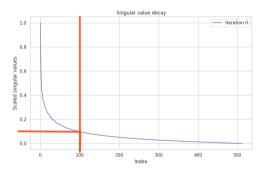


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Here, a low rank decomposition with k = 100 (instead of n = 512) has an approximation quality of 90%.

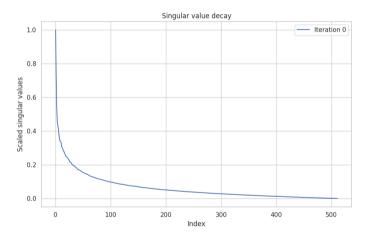


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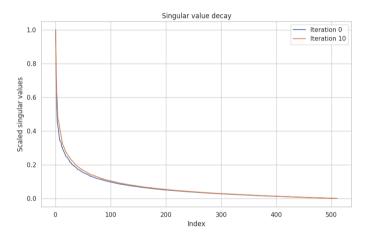


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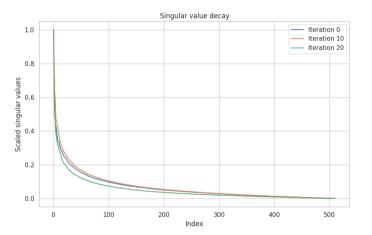


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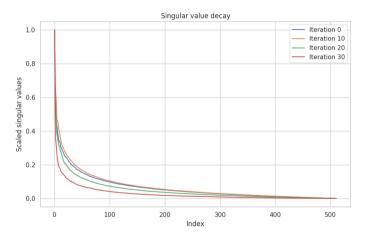


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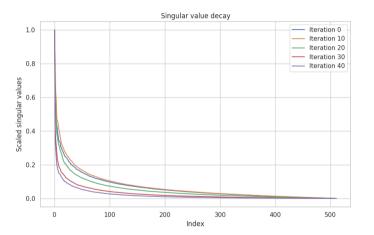


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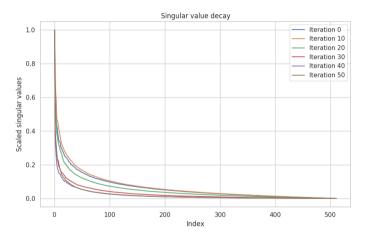


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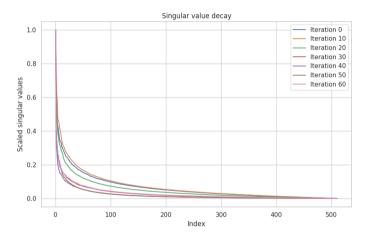


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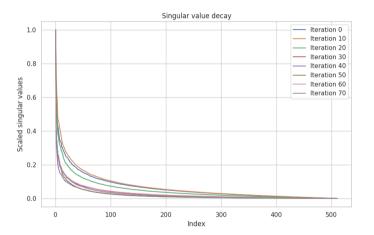


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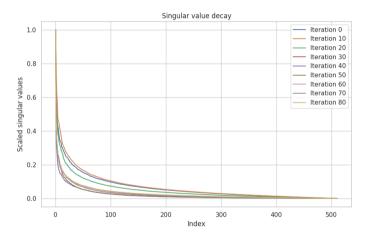


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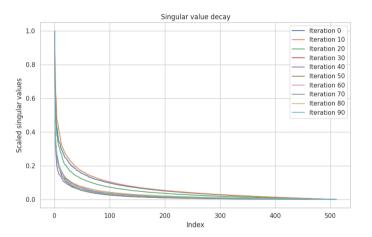


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EXPLOITING LOW RANK

LoRA: Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models

 Established method for finetuning LLMs under memory constraints.

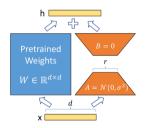


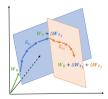
Figure 1: Our reparametrization. We only train A and B.

E. J. Hu, Y. Shen, P. Wallis, Z. Allen-Zhu, Y. Li, S. Wang, L. Wang, and W. Chen. "LoRA: Low-Rank Adaptation of Large Language Models", 2021.

GaLore: Memory-Efficient LLM Training by Gradient Low-Rank Projection

- New method, projecting to low-rank subspace computed from gradient matrix.
- Lower memory footprint, better suited for pre-training.

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J. Zhao, Z. Zhang, B. Chen, Z. Wang, A. Anandkumar, Y. Tian. "Galore: Memory-Efficient LLM Training by Gradient Low-Rank Projection".

SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION IN GALORE

Algorithm 2: Adam with GaLore

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Input: A layer weight matrix W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} with m < n. Step size n.
scale factor \alpha, decay rates \beta_1, \beta_2, rank r, subspace change frequency
Initialize first-order moment M_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r} \leftarrow 0
Initialize second-order moment V_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r} \leftarrow 0
Initialize step t \leftarrow 0
repeat
   G_t \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \leftarrow -\nabla_W \varphi_t(W_t)
   if t \mod T = 0 then
       U.S.V \leftarrow SVD(G_t)
                                               {Initialize left projector as m < n}
       P_t \leftarrow U[:,:r]
    oleo
       P_t \leftarrow P_{t-1}
                                                      {Reuse the previous projector}
    end if
   R_t \leftarrow P_{\cdot}^{\top} G_t
                                            {Project gradient into compact space}
   UPDATE(R_t) by Adam
            M_t \leftarrow \beta_1 \cdot M_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_1) \cdot R_t
            V_t \leftarrow \beta_2 \cdot V_{t-1} + (1 - \beta_2) \cdot R_t^2
            M_t \leftarrow M_t/(1-\beta_1^t)
            V_t \leftarrow V_t/(1-\beta_2^t)
            N_t \leftarrow M_t/(\sqrt{V_t} + \epsilon)
   \tilde{G}_t \leftarrow \alpha \cdot PN_t
                                                    {Project back to original space}
   W_t \leftarrow W_{t-1} + \eta \cdot \tilde{G}_t
   t \leftarrow t + 1
until convergence criteria met
return Wt
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- GaLore computes a singular value decomposition to get subspace basis.
- The randomized range finder is a more efficient method.

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THE RANDOMIZED RANGE FINDER

The right tool for the job

Algorithm 4.1: Randomized Range Finder

Given an $m \times n$ matrix A, and an integer ℓ , this scheme computes an $m \times \ell$ orthonormal matrix Q whose range approximates the range of A.

- 1 Draw an $n \times \ell$ Gaussian random matrix Ω .
- 2 Form the $m \times \ell$ matrix $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Omega}$.
- Construct an $m \times \ell$ matrix Q whose columns form an orthonormal basis for the range of Y, e.g., using the QR factorization Y = QR.

N. Halko, P.-G. Martinsson, J. A. Tropp. "Finding structure with randomness: Probabilistic algorithms for constructing approximate matrix decompositions", 2010.

For an oversampling parameter $p \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \le p \le r$, we have

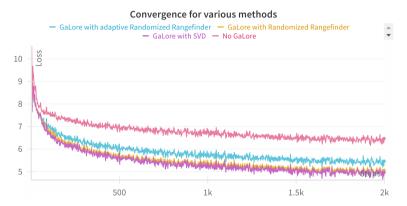
$$||A - QQ^T A||_2 \le \left(1 + 11\sqrt{r} \cdot \sqrt{\min\{m, n\}}\right) \sigma_{r-p+1}$$

with a probability of at least $1 - 6 \cdot p^{-p}$ under mild assumptions on p.



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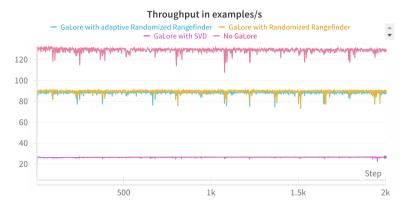


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CONCLUSIONS

- OpenGPT-X spawned promising research directions in the area of efficient resource utilization during pre-training (AP1).
- More interesting research: Find Chelsea John's poster.

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