Self-Supervised Learning from Images with a **Joint-Embedding Predictive Architecture**

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Self-Supervised Learning

Towards General Representations

Approach

Learn to represent data by capturing mutual dependencies between inputs





Yann LeCun <u>A Path Towards Autonomous Machine Intelligence</u> OpenReview, 2022.



Common Approaches for Visual Representation Learning

Learn representations by capturing mutual dependencies between inputs...



Joint-Embedding Architecture



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Chen et al., <u>A Simple Framework for Contrastive Learning of Visual Representations</u> ICML, 2020.





Figure 4. Illustrations of the studied data augmentation operators. Each augmentation can transform data stochastically with some internal parameters (e.g. rotation degree, noise level). Note that we only test these operators in ablation, the augmentation policy used to train our models only includes random crop (with flip and resize), color distortion, and Gaussian blur. (Original image cc-by: Von.grzanka)



Self-Supervised Methods

Canonical Joint-Embedding Architecture

Limitations:

Semantic level of representations also depends on certain assumptions...





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Mask Denoising Architectures

Masked Autoencoders Are Scalable Vision Learners arXiv, 2021.





Generative Architecture



Self-Supervised Learning

Generative Architectures

Generative architectures tend to learn representations of a lower semantic level...



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WHAT DO SELF-SUPERVISED VISION TRANSFORMERS LEARN?

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From a single context block, predict representations of various target blocks...

... no hand-crafted data augmentations!







Towards More General Representations





Very efficient...

Training ViT-Huge/16 with I-JEPA is faster than training ViT-Small/16 with iBOT!

Converges faster than generative methods, which require many epochs of pre-training (MAE)





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Targets	Arch.	Epochs	Top-1
Target-Encoder Output	ViT-L/16	500	66.9
Pixels	ViT-L/16	800	40.7

Table 7. Ablating targets. Linear evaluation on ImageNet-1K using only 1% of the available labels; ablating the effect of the prediction targets during I-JEPA pretraining. To ensure convergence when predicting in pixel space, we trian the model for more epochs. The semantic level of the I-JEPA representations degrades significantly when the loss is applied in pixel space, rather than representation space, highlighting the importance of the targetencoder during pretraining.



I-JEPA is non-generative...

Same method in pixel space performs much worse on semantic classification tasks...





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Method	Arch.	CIFAR100	Places205	iNat18
Methods without view data augmentations				
data2vec [7]	ViT-L/16	81.6	54.6	28.1
MAE [34]	ViT-H/14	77.3	55.0	32.9
I-JEPA	ViT-H/14	87.5	58.4	47.6
Methods using extra view data augmentations				
DINO [17]	ViT-B/8	84.9	57.9	55.9
iBOT [74]	ViT-L/16	88.3	60.4	57.3

Linear transfer to semantic image-level visual tasks



I-JEPA captures global semantics...

- Outperforms generative methods
- Closes gap with view-invariance methods





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Method	Arch.	Clevr/Count	Clevr/Dist
Methods without view data augmentations			
data2vec [7]	ViT-L/16	85.3	71.3
MAE [34]	ViT-H/14	90.5	72.4
I-JEPA	ViT-H/14	86.7	72.4
Methods using extra data augmentations			
DINO [17]	ViT-B/8	86.6	53.4
iBOT [74]	ViT-L/16	85.7	62.8

Linear Transfer to Low-Level Visual Tasks



I-JEPA also captures local information...

- Outperforms view-invariance methods in low-level tasks (e.g., depth prediction)
- Comparable with generative methods





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Method	Arch.	Epochs	Top-1
Methods without view data augmentations			
data2vec [7]	ViT-L/16	1600	73.3
MAE [34]	ViT-L/16	1600	67.1
	ViT-H/14	1600	71.5
	ViT-L/16	600	69.4
I-JEPA	ViT-H/14	300	73.3
	ViT-H/16448	300	77.3

Methods using extra view data augmentations

iBOT [74]	ViT-B/16	250	69.7
DINO [17]	ViT-B/8	300	70.0
SimCLR v2 [33]	RN151 (2×)	800	70.2
BYOL [33]	RN200 (2×)	800	71.2
MSN [3]	ViT-B/4	300	75.7

ImageNet 1% Semi-Supervised Evaluation



Scaling I-JEPA...

New SoTA for ImageNet semi-supervised eval...