

GroSS: Group-Size Series Decomposition for Grouped Architecture Search

A Appendix

A.1 Network Definitions

In this section, we will provide the explicit definitions of the networks used for our experiments. In Table 1, we detail the structure of our 4-layer network. Table 2 lists the non-standard classifier structure used for VGG-16 on CIFAR-10. All convolutional and fully-connected layers are followed by a ReLU non-linearity, with the exception of the final fully-connected layers in the classifiers.

Table 1: Architecture of our 4-layer network. Each convolution has a 3×3 kernel and is followed by a ReLU non-linearity and a 2×2 max pooling layer

Conv 1	Conv 2	Conv 3	Conv 4	Classifier
conv($3 \rightarrow 32$)	conv($32 \rightarrow 32$)	conv($32 \rightarrow 64$)	conv($64 \rightarrow 64$)	fc($256 \rightarrow 256$) fc($256 \rightarrow 10$)

Table 2: VGG-16 classifier structure for CIFAR-10 and ImageNet

Dataset	Layers
CIFAR-10	fc($512 \rightarrow 512$) fc($512 \rightarrow 10$)
ImageNet	fc($25088 \rightarrow 4096$) fc($4096 \rightarrow 4096$) fc($4096 \rightarrow 1000$)

A.2 Training From Scratch

4-layer Network. Convolutional weights in the network are initialised with the He initialisation [1] in the “fan out” mode with a ReLU non-linearity. The weights of the fully-connected layers are initialised with a zero-mean, 0.01-variance normal distribution. All bias terms in the network are initialised to 0. The network

is trained from scratch on our CIFAR-10 training split for 100 epochs using stochastic gradient descent (SGD). We adopt a initial learning rate of 0.1 and momentum of 0.9. The learning rate is decayed by a factor of 0.1 after 50 and 75 epochs. We train the network 5 times and use the weights with median accuracy for further experiments.

VGG-16. For our CIFAR-10 variant of VGG-16, the weights are initialised with identical strategy to the 4-layer network. We train this full network on CIFAR-10 for a total of 200 epochs, again using stochastic gradient descent. The initial learning rate is set to 0.05 and momentum to 0.9. The learning rate is decayed by a factor of 0.1 after 100 and 150 epochs. For ImageNet, we take the pretrained model from the Pytorch (Torchvision) [2] model zoo. Specifically, we take the variant without batch-normalisation layers.

ResNet-18. We again make use of the Torchvision model zoo, and use their ResNet-18 model trained on ImageNet.

A.3 High-Compression Decomposition Structure

We recreate the exact structure used for VGG-16 acceleration in [3] with GroSS, which is listed in 3. The constraint that is used in our other experiments, where bottlenecks should be constant width, is relaxed. Since the group-size must be a factor of both bottleneck dimensions (in and out), the bottleneck dimensions chosen by Wang *et al.* do limit the choice of ranks in GroSS. We perform decomposition as with our other VGG-16 experiments, without any bells or whistles. We found that a longer fine-tuning schedule was required to best recover accuracy. Therefore, finetuning consists of 14 epochs with a learning rate of 5×10^{-4} and decay after 8 and 12 epochs. This led to an accuracy consistent with [3].

Table 3: Decomposition structure as used in [3]. Group-sizes marked with * represent the original choice

	Bottleneck	
Layer	(in → out)	Group-sizes
conv1_2	11 → 18	11*
conv2_1	10 → 24	5 10*
conv2_2	28 → 28	1 7 14* 28
conv3_1	36 → 48	3 9* 18
conv3_2	60 → 48	15* 30 60
conv3_3	64 → 56	16* 32 64
conv4_1	64 → 100	16* 32 64
conv4_2	116 → 100	29* 58 116
conv4_3	132 → 132	3 33* 66
conv5_1	224 → 224	7 28 56* 112
conv5_2	224 → 224	7 28 56* 112
conv5_3	224 → 224	7 28 56* 112

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