EfficientNet: Rethinking Model Scaling for Convolutional Neural Networks

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Overview

Introduction

Recently published by Google; EfficientNet a newly designed CNN (convolutional neural network) that set new records for both accuracy and computational efficiency.

The paper demonstrates an effective method of scaling up MobileNets and ResNet.

The Authors of the paper: Mingxing Tan and Quoc V. Le.

Scaling

- Depth
  - how deep the networks is equivalent to the number of layers in it
  - most common way of scaling; scaling up or down is done by adding/removing layers respectively
  - deeper network can capture richer and more complex features, and generalizes well on new tasks
- Width
  - how wide the network is which is sometimes measured by the number of channels
  - capture more fine-grained features and also used to keep models small
  - accuracy saturates quickly with larger width
- Resolution
  - simply means the image resolution that is being passed to a CNN
  - in high-resolution images, the features are more fine-grained
  - the accuracy gain diminishes very quickly

Scaling Illustration

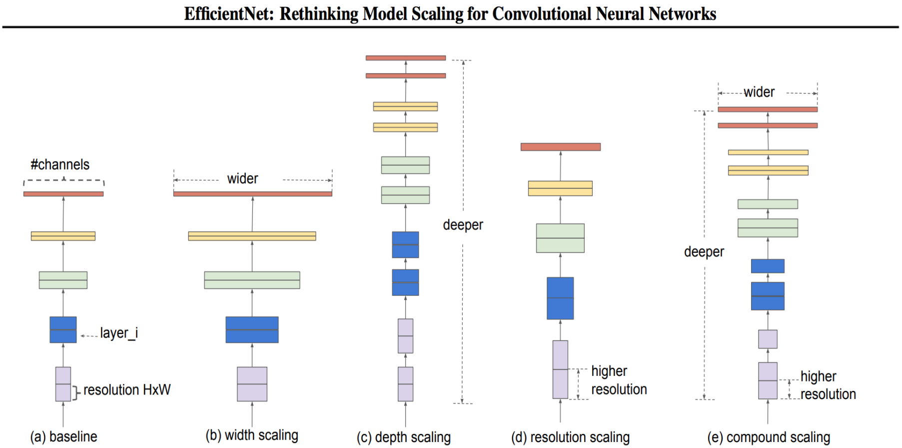


Figure: Model Scaling

Scaling a model of different dimensions and Coefficients

Scaling up any dimension improves accuracy, but the accuracy gain diminishes for bigger models

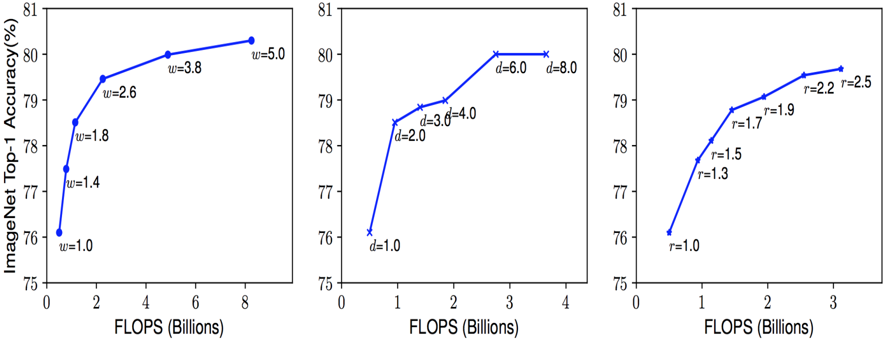
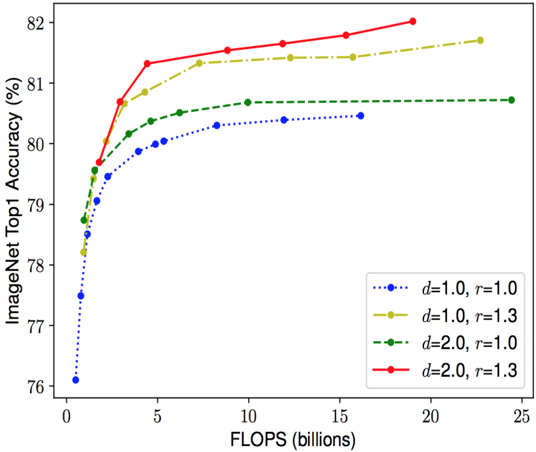


Figure: Scaling a model of different dimensions and Coefficients.

Combined Scaling

- It is possible to scale two or three dimensions arbitrarily; but arbitrary scaling is a tedious task
- Most of the times, manual scaling results in sub-optimal accuracy and efficiency
- In order to pursue better accuracy and efficiency, it is critical to balance all dimensions of network width, depth, and resolution during ConvNet scaling.

Scaling Network Width for Different Baseline Networks



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Proposed Compound Scaling

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\begin{aligned}
\text{depth: } & d = \alpha^{\phi} \\
\text{width: } & w = \beta^{\phi} \\
\text{resolution: } & r = \gamma^{\phi} \\
\text{s.t. } & \alpha \cdot \beta^2 \cdot \gamma^2 \approx 2 \\
& \alpha \geq 1, \beta \geq 1, \gamma \geq 1
\end{aligned}
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Proposed Compound Scaling

The authors proposed a simple yet very effective scaling technique which uses a compound coefficient (phi) to uniformly scale network width, depth, and resolution in a principled way.

Phi is a user-specified coefficient that controls how many resources are available whereas alpha, beta, and gamma specify how to assign these resources to network depth, width, and resolution respectively.

Scaling doesn't change the layer operations, hence it is better to first have a good baseline network and then scale it along different dimensions using the proposed compound scaling.

Stage i	Operator $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_i$	Resolution $\hat{H}_i \times \hat{W}_i$	#Channels $\hat{C}_i$	#Layers $\hat{L}_i$
1	Conv3x3	224×224	32	1
2	MBConv1, k3x3	112×112	16	1
3	MBConv6, k3x3	112×112	24	2
4	MBConv6, k5x5	56×56	40	2
5	MBConv6, k3x3	28×28	80	3
6	MBConv6, k5x5	28×28	112	3
7	MBConv6, k5x5	14×14	192	4
8	MBConv6, k3x3	7×7	320	1
9	Conv1x1 & Pooling & FC	7×7	1280	1

Figure: EfficientNet-B0 baseline network

EfficientNet Performance Results on ImageNet

Model	Top-1 Acc.	Top-5 Acc.	#Params	Ratio-to-EfficientNet	#FLOPS	Ratio-to-EfficientNet
EfficientNet-B0	**76.3%**	**93.2%**	**5.3M**	**1x**	**0.39B**	**1x**
ResNet-50 (He et al., 2016)	76.0%	93.0%	26M	4.9x	4.1B	11x
DenseNet-169 (Huang et al., 2017)	76.2%	93.2%	14M	2.6x	3.5B	8.9x
EfficientNet-B1	**78.8%**	**94.4%**	**7.8M**	**1x**	**0.70B**	**1x**
ResNet-152 (He et al., 2016)	77.8%	93.8%	60M	7.6x	11B	16x
DenseNet-264 (Huang et al., 2017)	77.9%	93.9%	34M	4.3x	6.0B	8.6x
Inception-v3 (Szegedy et al., 2016)	78.8%	94.4%	24M	3.0x	5.7B	8.1x
Xception (Chollet, 2017)	79.0%	94.5%	23M	3.0x	8.4B	12x
EfficientNet-B2	**79.8%**	**94.9%**	**9.2M**	**1x**	**1.0B**	**1x**
Inception-v4 (Szegedy et al., 2017)	80.0%	95.0%	48M	5.2x	13B	13x
Inception-resnet-v2 (Szegedy et al., 2017)	80.1%	95.1%	56M	6.1x	13B	13x
EfficientNet-B3	**81.1%**	**95.5%**	**12M**	**1x**	**1.8B**	**1x**
ResNeXt-101 (Xie et al., 2017)	80.9%	95.6%	84M	7.0x	32B	18x
PolyNet (Zhang et al., 2017)	81.3%	95.8%	92M	7.7x	35B	19x
EfficientNet-B4	**82.6%**	**96.3%**	**19M**	**1x**	**4.2B**	**1x**
SENet (Hu et al., 2018)	82.7%	96.2%	146M	7.7x	42B	10x
NASNet-A (Zoph et al., 2018)	82.7%	96.2%	89M	4.7x	24B	5.7x
AmoebaNet-A (Real et al., 2019)	82.8%	96.1%	87M	4.6x	23B	5.5x
PNASNet (Liu et al., 2018)	82.9%	96.2%	86M	4.5x	23B	6.0x
EfficientNet-B5	**83.3%**	**96.7%**	**30M**	**1x**	**9.9B**	**1x**
AmoebaNet-C (Cubuk et al., 2019)	83.5%	96.5%	155M	5.2x	41B	4.1x
EfficientNet-B6	**84.0%**	**96.9%**	**43M**	**1x**	**19B**	**1x**
EfficientNet-B7	**84.4%**	**97.1%**	**66M**	**1x**	**37B**	**1x**
GPipe (Huang et al., 2018)	84.3%	97.0%	557M	8.4x	-	-

We omit ensemble and multi-crop models (Hu et al., 2018), or models pretrained on 3.5B Instagram images (Mahajan et al., 2018).

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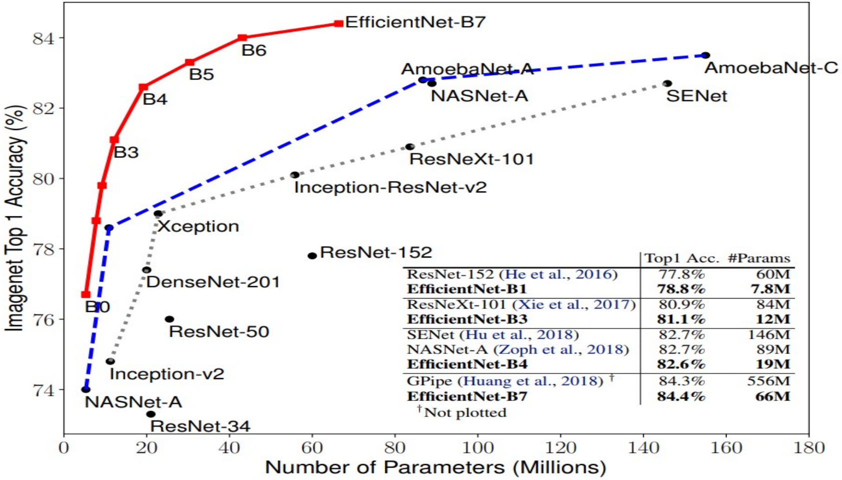

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†Not plotted

Figure: FLOPS vs. ImageNet Accuracy.

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- Official released code: https://github.com/tensorflow/tpu/tree/master/models/official/efficient

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