

Course Logistics

- Project team member lists due this Sunday **September 17th, 11:59 PM.**
- Most teams should consist of 3 people.
- If you want to work individually, you need to send an email to me to get an approval.
- Discussion thread on Canvas to find teammates.
- For student paper presentations, please send me your slides by **2pm** on the day of the presentation.

SlowFast Networks for Video Recognition

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Motivation

Spatial (e.g., objects, scenes) and temporal (e.g., actions) cues might need different processing mechanisms.



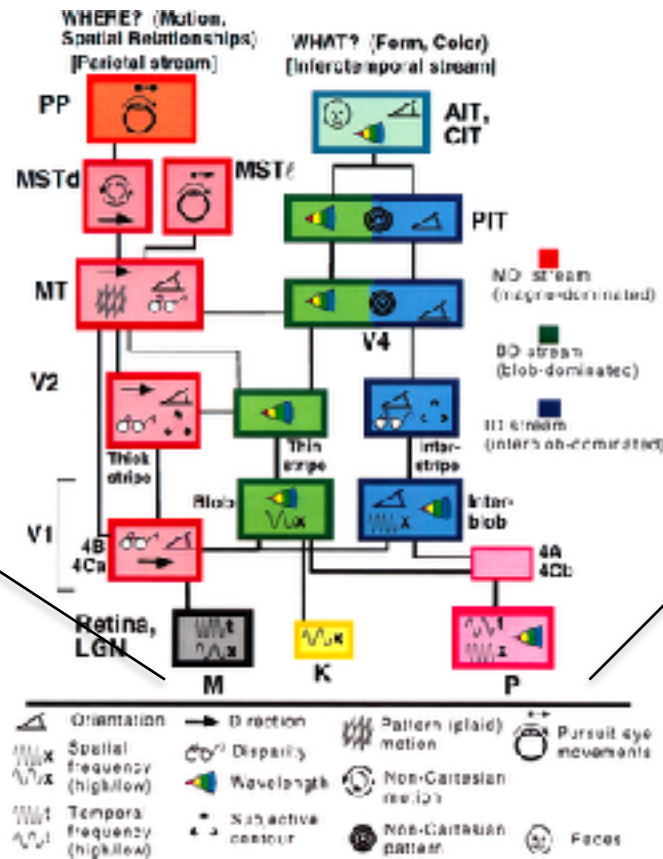
Motivation

- Processes information about motion & depth.
- Fast conduction rate.
- Minority of total cells (~20%)

Magno Cells

- Processes information about color.
- Slow conduction rate.
- Majority of total cells (~80%)

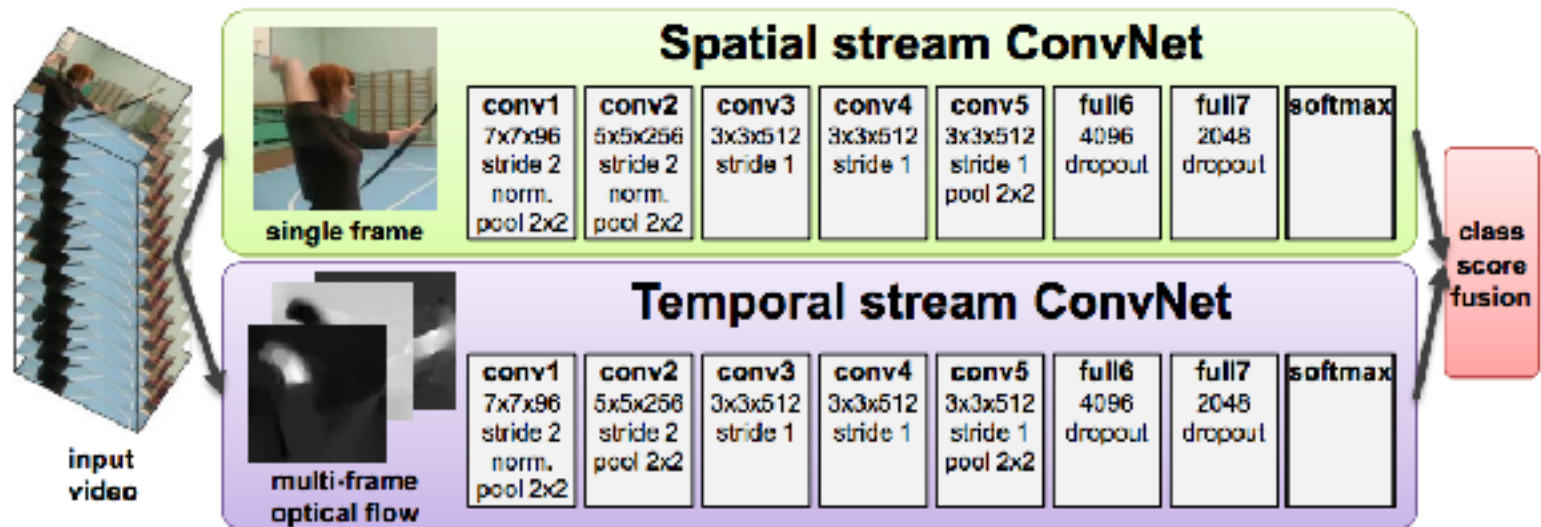
Parvo Cells



"Neural mechanisms of form and motion processing in the primate visual system", Essen et al., Neuron, 1994

Two Stream CNNs

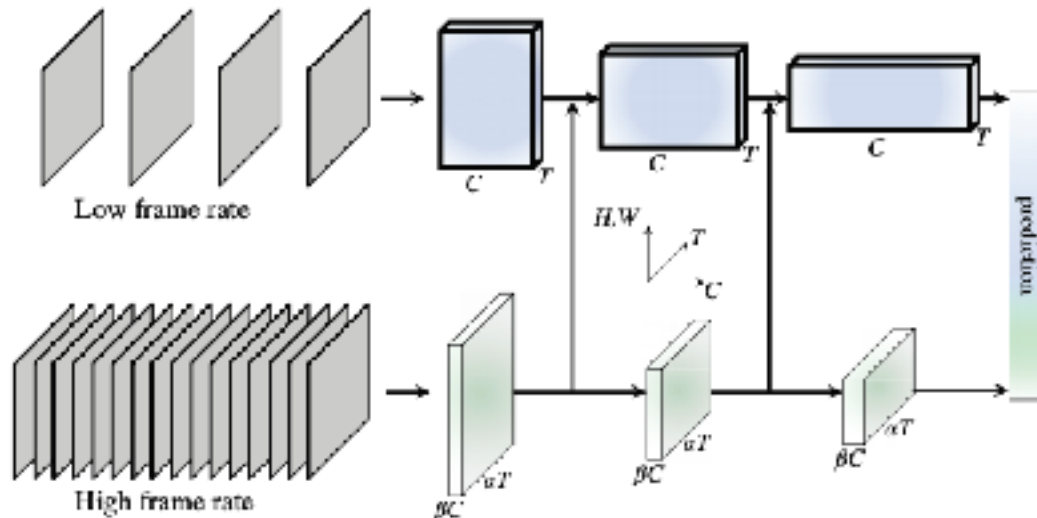
- The first stream operates on a single RGB video frame.
- The second stream operates on optical flow computed between two adjacent video frames.



"Two-Stream Convolutional Networks for Action Recognition in Videos,"
Simonyan et al., NeurIPS 2014

SlowFast Networks

- A two-pathway video recognition model where the slow pathway captures semantic spatial information.
- The fast pathway is a lot more lightweight than the slow pathway and it captures rapidly changing motion.
- Lateral connections fuse the two pathways.



SlowFast Networks

stage	<i>Slow</i> pathway	<i>Fast</i> pathway	output sizes $T \times S^2$
raw clip	-	-	64×224^2
data layer	stride 16, 1^2	stride 2, 1^2	<i>Slow</i> : 4×224^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×224^2
conv ₁	$1 \times 7^2, 64$ stride 1, 2^2	$5 \times 7^2, 8$ stride 1, 2^2	<i>Slow</i> : 4×112^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×112^2
pool ₁	1×3^2 max stride 1, 2^2	1×3^2 max stride 1, 2^2	<i>Slow</i> : 4×56^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×56^2
res ₂	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1^2, 64 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 64 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 256 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 8 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 8 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 32 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	<i>Slow</i> : 4×56^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×56^2
res ₃	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1^2, 128 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 128 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 512 \end{bmatrix} \times 4$	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 16 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 16 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 64 \end{bmatrix} \times 4$	<i>Slow</i> : 4×28^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×28^2
res ₄	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 256 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 256 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 1024 \end{bmatrix} \times 6$	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 32 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 32 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 128 \end{bmatrix} \times 6$	<i>Slow</i> : 4×14^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×14^2
res ₅	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 512 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 512 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 2048 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \times 1^2, 64 \\ 1 \times 3^2, 64 \\ 1 \times 1^2, 256 \end{bmatrix} \times 3$	<i>Slow</i> : 4×7^2 <i>Fast</i> : 32×7^2
global average pool, concat, fc			# classes

Lateral Connections

Feature tensor from the slow pathway



$T \times S^2 \times C$

Feature tensor from the fast pathway



$aT \times S^2 \times bC$

- **Time-to-channel:** Feature tensor of shape $(aT \times S^2 \times bC)$ is reshaped into (T, S^2, abC) , i.e., all a frames are packed into the channel dimension.
- **Time-strided sampling:** Only one frame out of every a frames is sampled.
- **Time-strided convolution:** 3D convolution with stride a is applied.

Results on Kinetics

Fusing Slow and Fast pathways with lateral connections is better than the Slow and Fast only baselines.

	lateral	top-1	top-5	GFLOPs
Slow-only	-	72.6	90.3	27.3
Fast-only	-	51.7	78.5	6.4
SlowFast	-	73.5	90.3	34.2
SlowFast	TtoC, sum	74.5	91.3	34.2
SlowFast	TtoC, concat	74.3	91.0	39.8
SlowFast	T-sample	75.4	91.8	34.9
SlowFast	T-conv	75.6	92.1	36.1

Results on Kinetics

Varying values of β , the channel capacity ratio of the Fast pathway to make SlowFast lightweight.

	top-1	top-5	GFLOPs
Slow-only	72.6	90.3	27.3
$\beta = 1/4$	75.6	91.7	54.5
1/6	75.8	92.0	41.8
1/8	75.6	92.1	36.1
1/12	75.2	91.8	32.8
1/16	75.1	91.7	30.6
1/32	74.2	91.3	28.6

Results on Kinetics

The proposed training recipe achieves comparable results without ImageNet pre-training.

model	pre-train	top-1	top-5	GFLOPs
3D R-50 [56]	ImageNet	73.4	90.9	36.7
3D R-50, recipe in [56]	-	69.4	88.6	36.7
3D R-50, our recipe	-	73.5	90.8	36.7

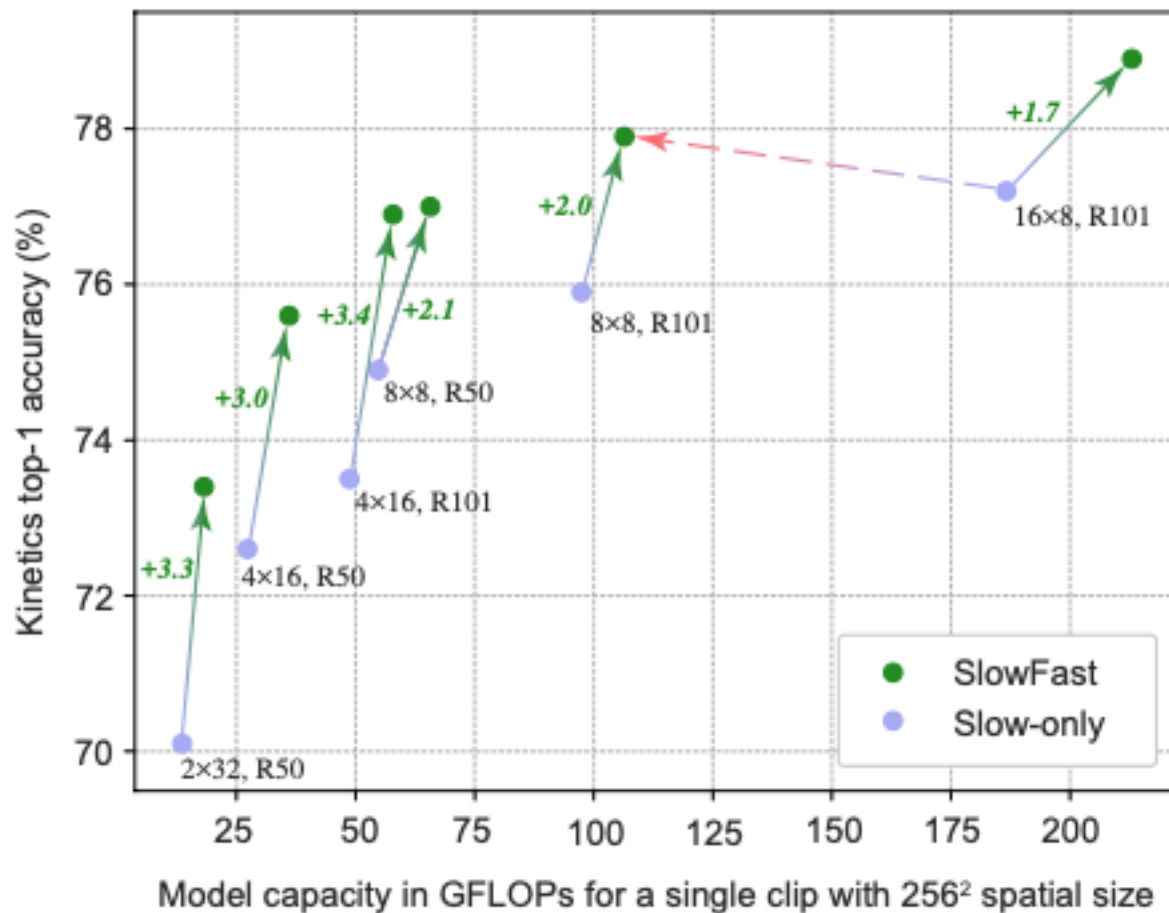
Results on Kinetics

Comparison to the state-of-the-art

model	flow	pretrain	top-1	top-5	GFLOPs \times views
I3D [5]		ImageNet	72.1	90.3	108 \times N/A
Two-Stream I3D [5]	✓	ImageNet	75.7	92.0	216 \times N/A
S3D-G [61]	✓	ImageNet	77.2	93.0	143 \times N/A
Nonlocal R50 [56]		ImageNet	76.5	92.6	282 \times 30
Nonlocal R101 [56]		ImageNet	77.7	93.3	359 \times 30
R(2+1)D Flow [50]	✓	-	67.5	87.2	152 \times 115
STC [9]		-	68.7	88.5	N/A \times N/A
ARTNet [54]		-	69.2	88.3	23.5 \times 250
S3D [61]		-	69.4	89.1	66.4 \times N/A
ECO [63]		-	70.0	89.4	N/A \times N/A
I3D [5]	✓	-	71.6	90.0	216 \times N/A
R(2+1)D [50]		-	72.0	90.0	152 \times 115
R(2+1)D [50]	✓	-	73.9	90.9	304 \times 115
SlowFast 4 \times 16, R50		-	75.6	92.1	36.1 \times 30
SlowFast 8 \times 8, R50		-	77.0	92.6	65.7 \times 30
SlowFast 8 \times 8, R101		-	77.9	93.2	106 \times 30
SlowFast 16 \times 8, R101		-	78.9	93.5	213 \times 30
SlowFast 16 \times 8, R101+NL		-	79.8	93.9	234 \times 30

Results on Kinetics

Accuracy vs. complexity tradeoff.



Results on AVA

Comparison to the state-of-the-art

model	flow	video pretrain	val mAP	test mAP
I3D [20]		Kinetics-400	14.5	-
I3D [20]	✓	Kinetics-400	15.6	-
ACRN, S3D [46]	✓	Kinetics-400	17.4	-
ATR, R50+NL [29]		Kinetics-400	20.0	-
ATR, R50+NL [29]	✓	Kinetics-400	21.7	-
9-model ensemble [29]	✓	Kinetics-400	25.6	21.1
I3D [16]		Kinetics-600	21.9	21.0
SlowFast		Kinetics-400	26.3	-
SlowFast		Kinetics-600	26.8	-
SlowFast, +NL		Kinetics-600	27.3	27.1
SlowFast*, +NL		Kinetics-600	28.2	-



Summary

- A framework that achieves great results on a variety of action recognition datasets.
- Very effective optimization protocol for training video models from scratch.
- A nice extension to spatiotemporal localization task.