

Leveraging Inter-Layer Dependency for Post-Training Quantization



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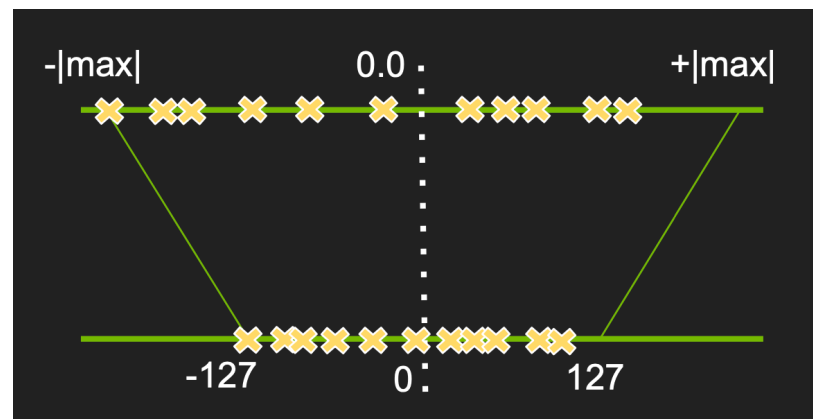
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Model Quantization

$$x_q = \text{clip}\left(\left\lfloor \frac{x}{s} \right\rfloor, q_-, q_+\right), x \in \mathbb{R}^D, s \in \mathbb{R}, q_-, q_+ \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{err}_q = |x_q * s - x|$$

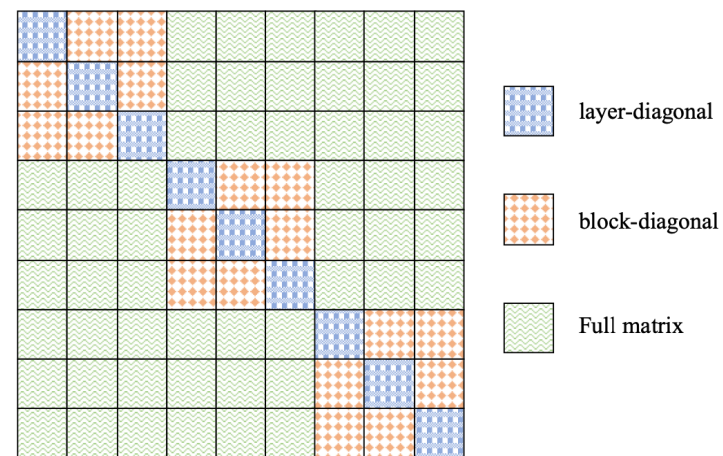


Previous Post-Training Quantization Approaches

$$w_q = \text{clip}\left(\underbrace{\lfloor \frac{w}{s} \rceil}_{\substack{\text{ceil?} \\ \text{floor?}}}, q_-, q_+\right)$$

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{V}} \left\| \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} - \widetilde{\mathbf{W}}\mathbf{x} \right\|_F^2 + \lambda f_{reg}(\mathbf{V})$$

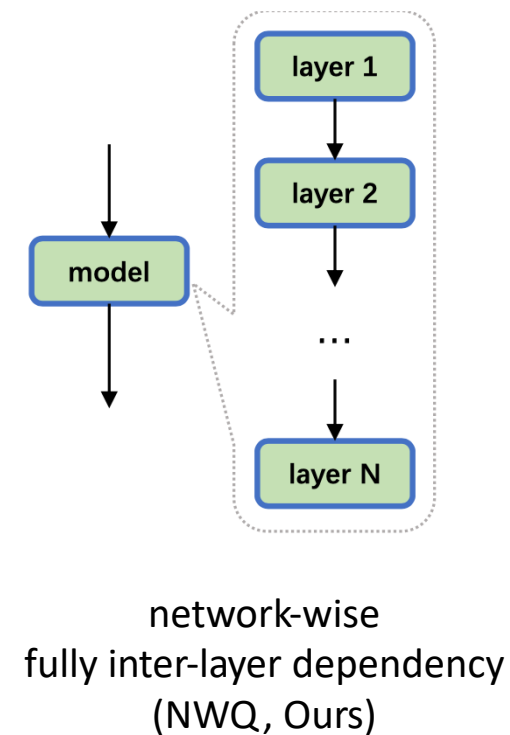
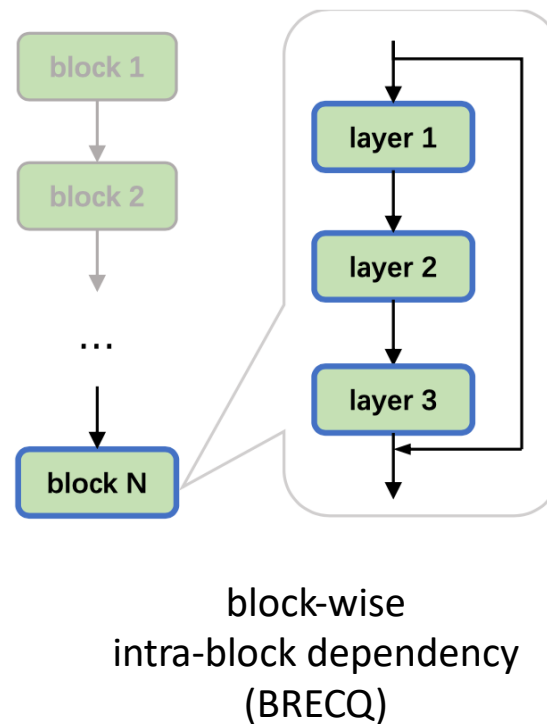
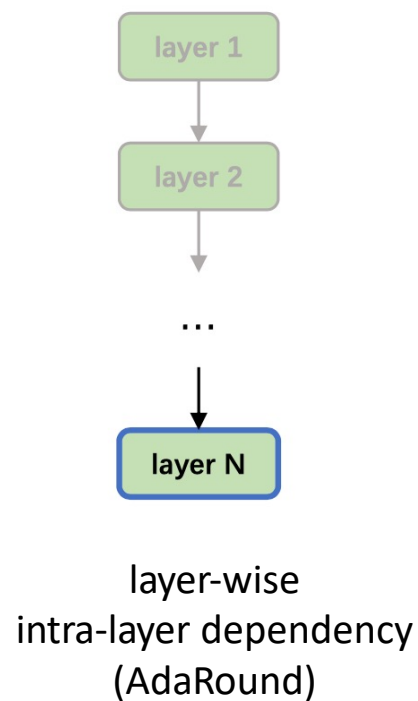
[AdaRound by Nagel et al. ICML 2020]



$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{w}}} \mathbb{E} \left[\Delta \mathbf{z}^{(\ell), \top} \mathbf{H}^{(\mathbf{z}^{(\ell)})} \Delta \mathbf{z}^{(\ell)} \right] = \min_{\hat{\mathbf{w}}} \mathbb{E} \left[\Delta \mathbf{z}^{(\ell), \top} \text{diag} \left(\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}_1^{(\ell)}} \right)^2, \dots, \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{z}_a^{(\ell)}} \right)^2 \right) \Delta \mathbf{z}^{(\ell)} \right]$$

[BRECQ by Li et al. ICLR 2021]

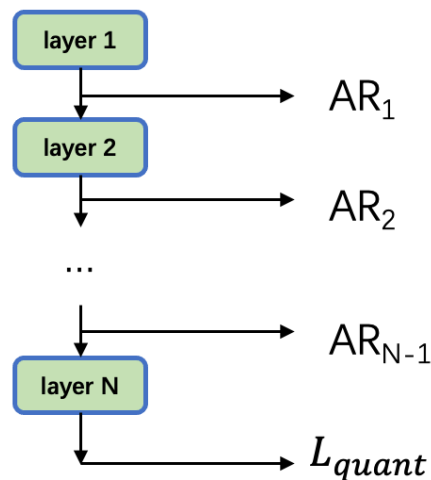
Network-Wise Quantization



Challenges of Naïve NWQ

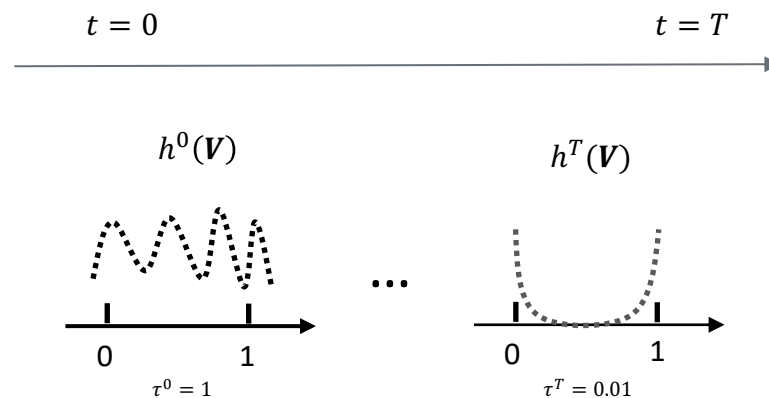
- Higher risk of overfitting
- More difficult of discrete optimization

Our Approaches



$$loss = L_{quant} + \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} AR_i(x_i, \hat{x}_i)$$

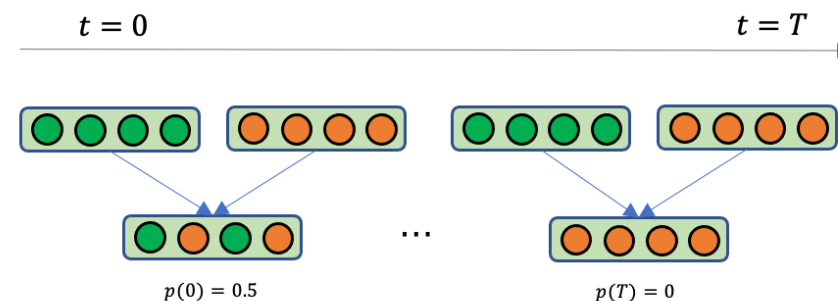
Activation Regularization



$$x_q = clip\left(\left[\frac{W}{S}\right] + h^t(\mathbf{V}), q_-, q_+\right),$$

$$h^t(\mathbf{V}) = softmax\left(\frac{\mathbf{V}}{\tau^t}\right)$$

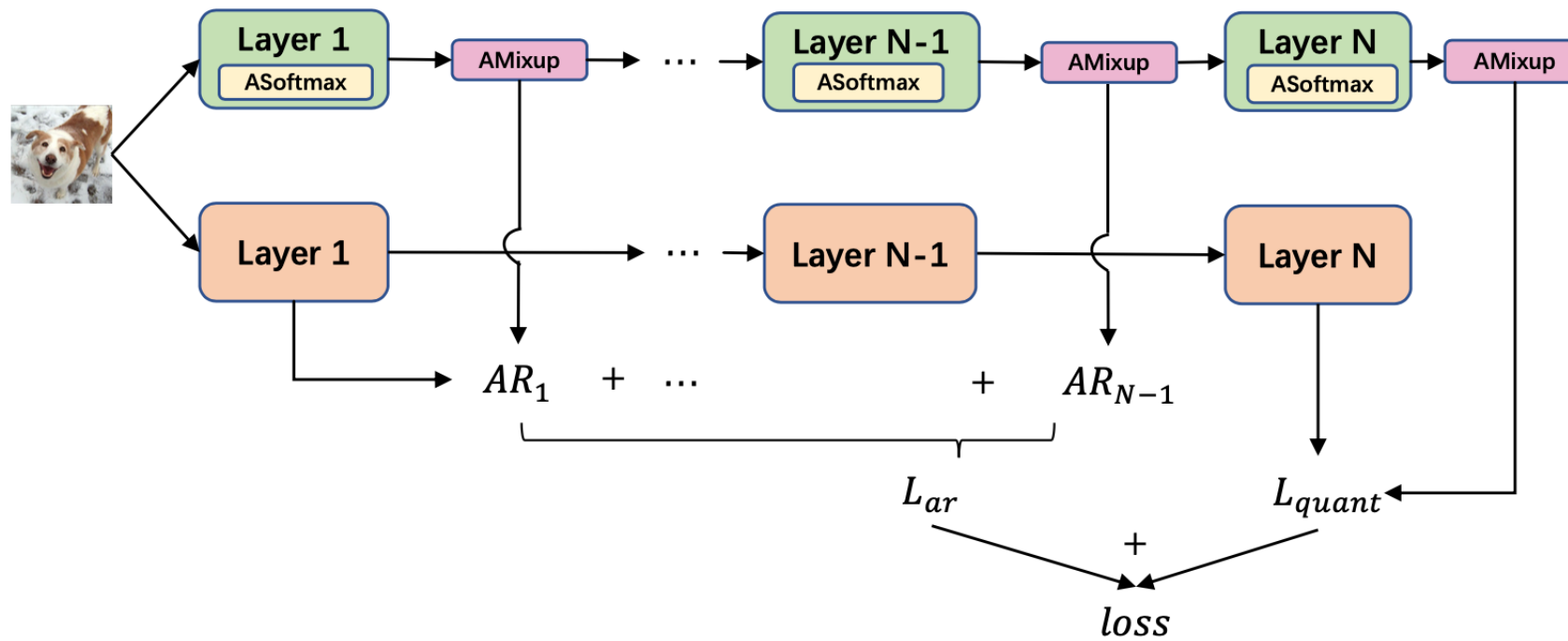
Annealing Softmax



$$\hat{x} = where(randn() < p(t), x, x_q)$$

Annealing Mixup

Overview



Comparing with previous works

Accuracy of W2A2

