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**Zero-cost proxies for neural network performance estimation.**

In neural architecture search (NAS), the task is to find the best-performing architecture for a given deep learning task. The bottleneck of the search is the time-consuming training and evaluation of networks. The costs can be reduced by using performance predictors, which are models that map an architecture to its trained performance. Recently, zero-cost proxies have been proposed as very fast predictors-network performance is estimated using a score that is computed by passing a single minibatch of data to an untrained network. In this presentation, I will present the zero-cost proxies and their current role in NAS, as well as my ongoing work on zero-cost proxy ensembling.

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