# Optimization and Regularization for NNs

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# Recap

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# Once again: nonlinearities

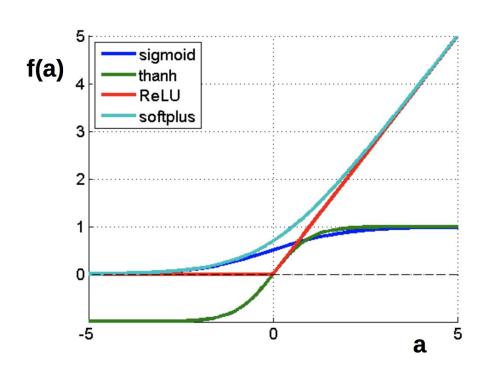


$$f(a) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-a}}$$

$$f(a) = \tanh(a)$$

$$f(a) = \max(0, a)$$

$$f(a) = \log(1 + e^a)$$



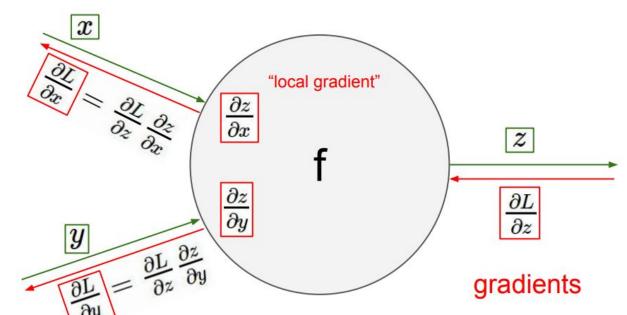
# **Backpropagation and chain rule**



Chain rule is just simple math:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$$

Backprop is just way to use it in NN training.



source: http://cs231n.github.

# **Optimizers**

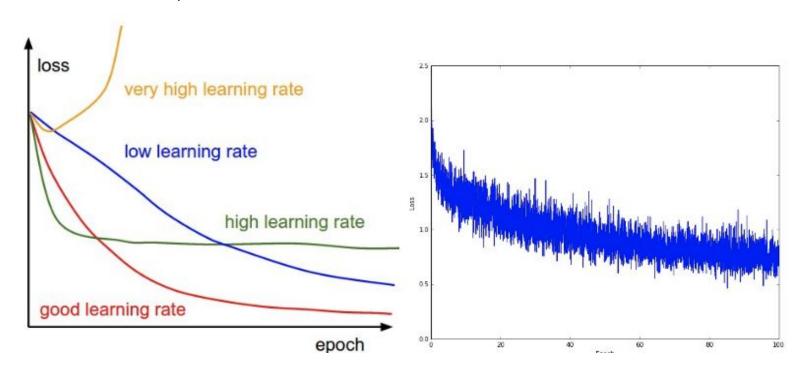
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# Stochastic gradient descent



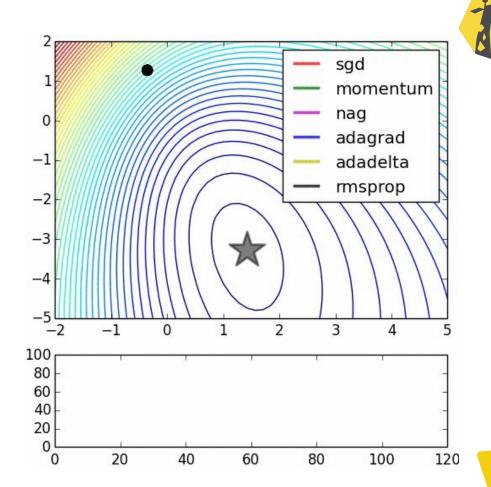
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \text{learning rate} \cdot dx$$



# **Optimizers**

There are lots of optimizers:

- Momentum
- Adagrad
- Adadelta
- RMSprop
- Adam
- ...
- even other NNs



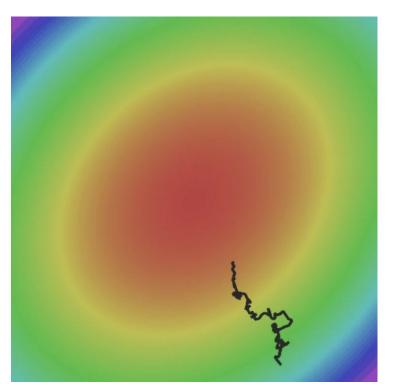
# **Optimization: SGD**



$$L(W) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L_i(x_i, y_i, W)$$

$$\nabla_W L(W) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \nabla_W L_i(x_i, y_i, W)$$

Averaging over mini batches => noisy gradient



# First idea: momentum



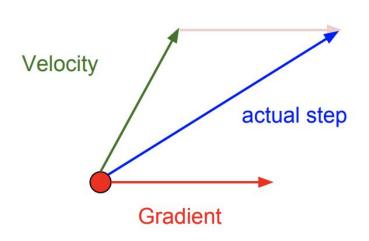
Simple SGD

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$$

SGD with momentum

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t + \nabla f(x_t)$$
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha v_{t+1}$$

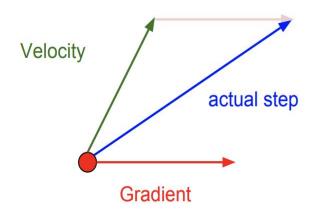
### Momentum update:



## **Nesterov momentum**

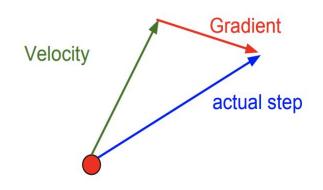


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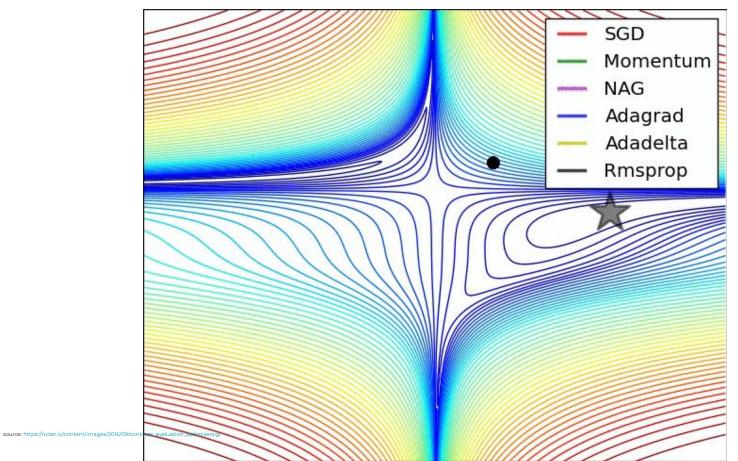
### **Nesterov Momentum**

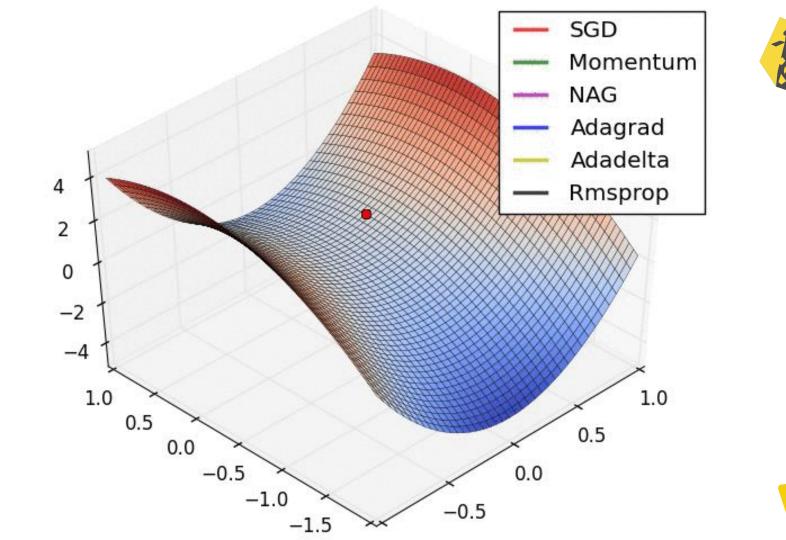


$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t + \rho v_t)$$
$$x_{t+1} = x_t + v_{t+1}$$

# **Comparing momentums**









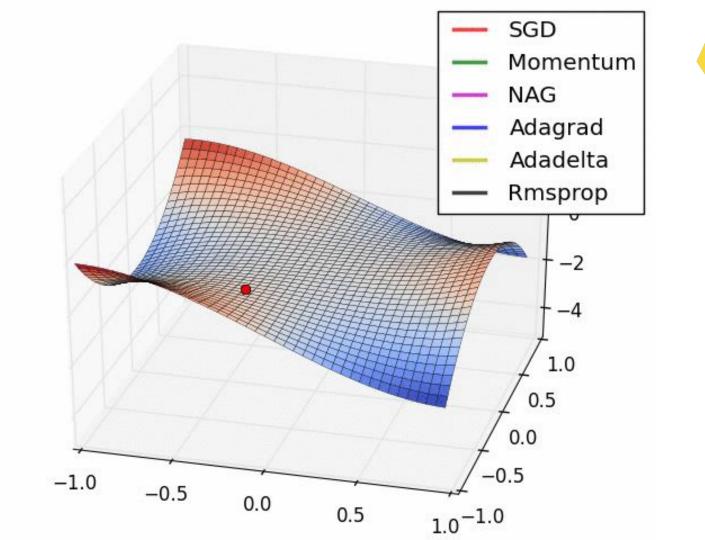


RMSProp - SGD with exponential cache

$$\operatorname{cache}_{t+1} = \beta \operatorname{cache}_t + (1 - \beta)(\nabla f(x_t))^2$$
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \frac{\nabla f(x_t)}{\operatorname{cache}_{t+1}^{1/2} + \varepsilon}$$

Slide 29 Lecture 6 of Geoff Hinton's Coursera class http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~tijmen/csc321/slides/lecture\_slides\_lec6.pdf

> Simpler (historical) method: Adagrad - SGD with cache





# **Adam**



Let's combine the momentum idea and RMSProp normalization:

$$v_{t+1} = \gamma v_t + (1 - \gamma) \nabla f(x_t)$$

$$\operatorname{cache}_{t+1} = \beta \operatorname{cache}_t + (1 - \beta) (\nabla f(x_t))^2$$

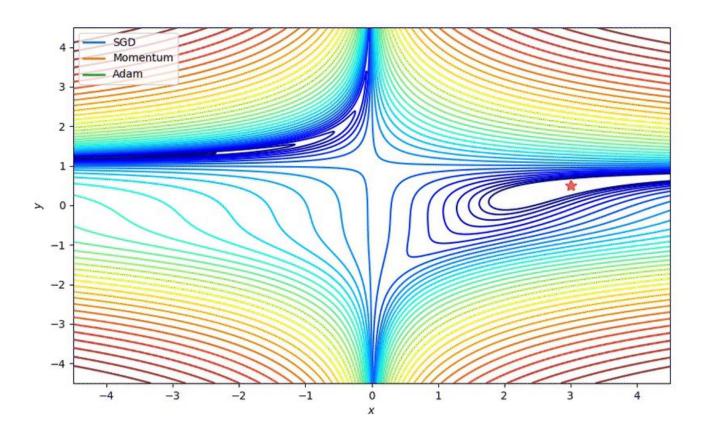
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \frac{v_{t+1}}{\operatorname{cache}_{t+1}^{v_t} + \varepsilon}$$

Actually, that's not quite Adam.

Adam full form involves bias correction term. See http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3/ for more info.

# **Comparing optimizers**







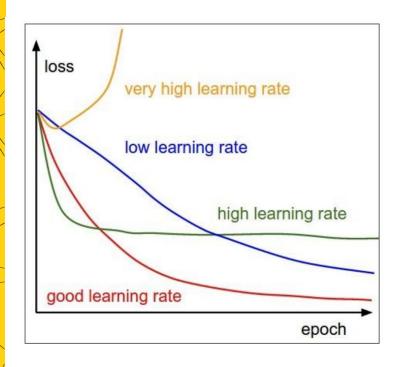


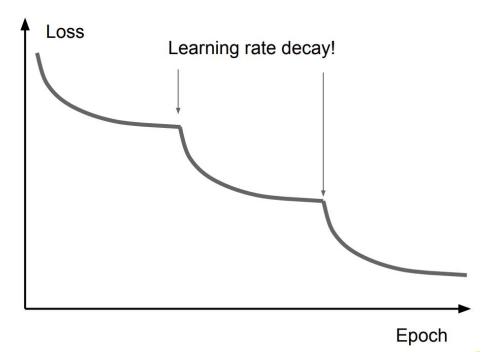
### 3e-4 is the best learning rate for Adam, hands down.

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# Once more: learning rate







# Weights initialization



- All zero initialization
  - o pitfall
- Small random numbers
- Calibrated random numbers

$$Var(s) = Var(\sum_{i}^{n} w_{i}x_{i})$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{n} \operatorname{Var}(w_{i}x_{i})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} [E(w_i)]^2 \operatorname{Var}(x_i) + E[(x_i)]^2 \operatorname{Var}(w_i) + \operatorname{Var}(x_i) \operatorname{Var}(w_i)$$

$$= \sum_{i}^{n} \operatorname{Var}(x_{i}) \operatorname{Var}(w_{i})$$

$$= (nVar(w)) Var(x)$$

# Sum up: optimization



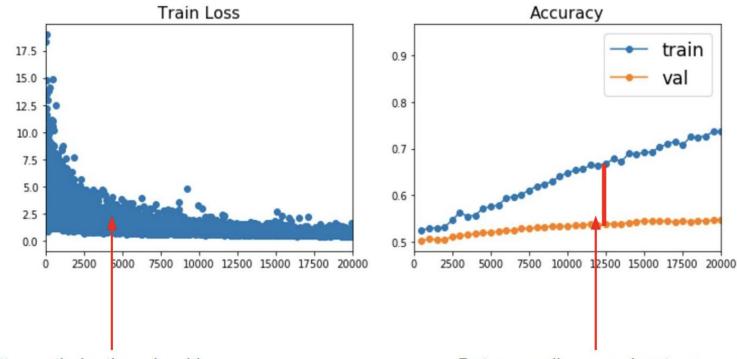
- Adam is great basic choice
- Even for RMSProp learning rate matters
- Use learning rate decay
- Monitor your model quality
- Sometimes weights initialization matters

# Normalization

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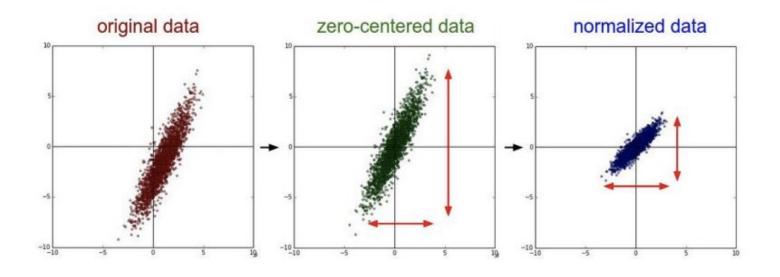


Better optimization algorithms help reduce training loss

But we really care about error on new data - how to reduce the gap?

# **Data normalization**



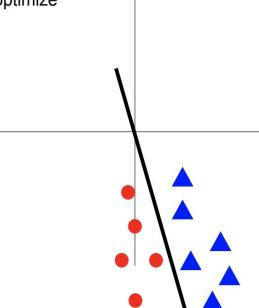


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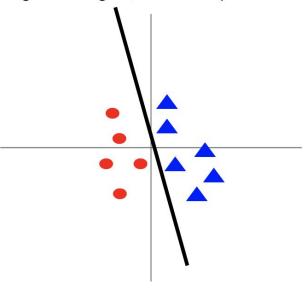


Before normalization: classification loss very sensitive to changes in weight matrix;

hard to optimize



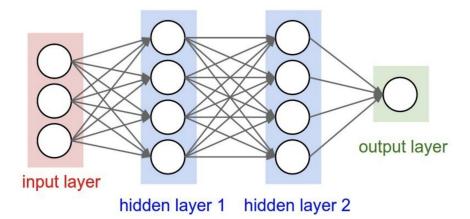
After normalization: less sensitive to small changes in weights; easier to optimize





### Problem (internal covariate shift):

- Consider a neuron in any layer beyond first
- At each iteration we tune it's weights towards better loss function
- But we also tune it's inputs. Some of them become larger, some smaller
- Now the neuron needs to be re-tuned for it's new inputs





TL; DR:

- It's usually a good idea to normalize linear model inputs
  - (c) Every machine learning lecturer, ever



 Normalize activation of a hidden layer (zero mean unit variance)

$$h_i = \frac{h_i - \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sigma_i^2}}$$

• Update  $\mu_i$ ,  $\sigma_i^2$  with moving average while training

$$\mu_{i} := \alpha \cdot mean_{batch} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \mu_{i}$$

$$\sigma_{i}^{2} := \alpha \cdot variance_{batch} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \sigma_{i}^{2}$$

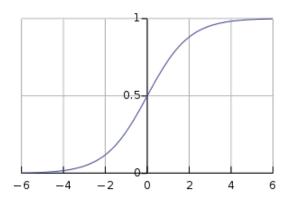


Original algorithm (2015)

What is this?

**Input:** Values of x over a mini-batch:  $\mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\}$ ; Parameters to be learned:  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ **Output:**  $\{y_i = BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}$  $\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i$ // mini-batch mean  $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2$ // mini-batch variance  $\widehat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}}$ // normalize  $y_i \leftarrow \gamma \widehat{x}_i + \beta \equiv BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)$ // scale and shift





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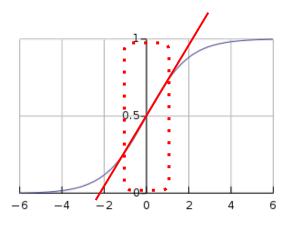
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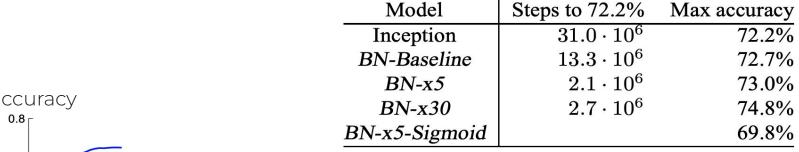
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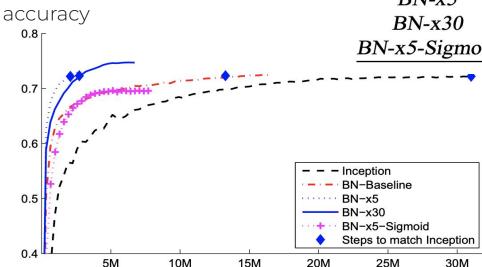
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This transformation should be able to represent the identity transform.

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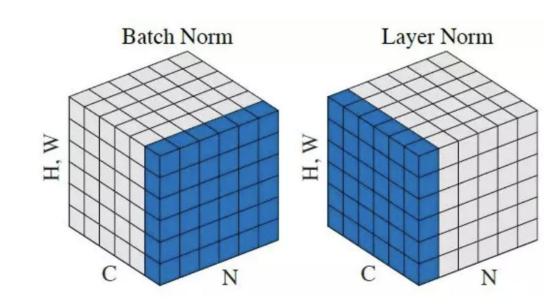
number of training steps

# Layer normalization



$$\mu^l = rac{1}{H} \sum_{i=1}^H a_i^l$$

$$\sigma^l = \sqrt{rac{1}{H}\sum_{i=1}^H \left(a_i^l - \mu^l
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# Regularization

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# What is regularization anyway?



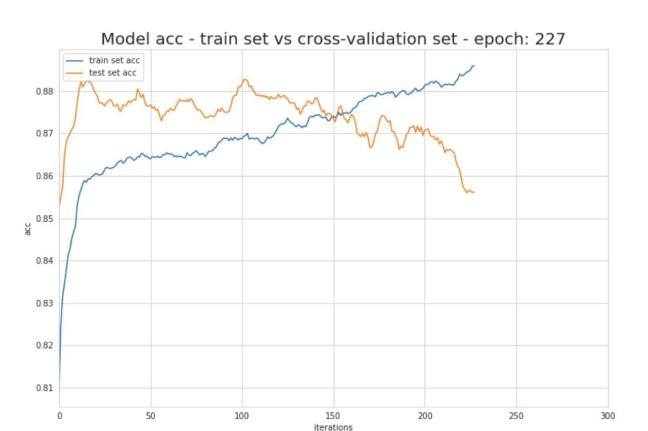
Regularization is a process that changes the result answer to be "simpler". It is often used to obtain results for ill-posed problems or to prevent overfitting.

### (c) Common knowledge site

- **Explicit** is regularization whenever one explicitly adds a term to the optimization problem. These terms could be priors, penalties, or constraints. Explicit regularization is commonly employed with ill-posed optimization problems. The regularization term, or penalty, imposes a cost on the optimization function to make the optimal solution unique.
- **Implicit** is all other forms of regularization. This includes, for example, early stopping, using a robust loss function, and discarding outliers

# **Problem: overfitting**





# Weights norm regularization



$$L=rac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}\sum_{j
eq y_i}\max(0,f(x_i;W)_j-f(x_i;W)_{y_i}+1)+\lambda R(W)$$

Adding some extra term to the loss function.

### Common cases:

- L2 regularization:
- L1 regularization:
- Elastic Net (L1 + L2):

$$R(W) = ||W||_{2}^{2}$$

$$R(W) = ||W||_{1}$$

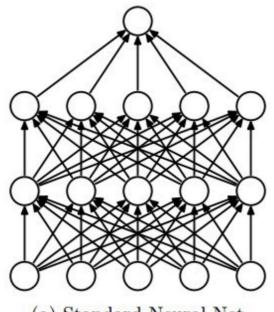
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# **Dropout**

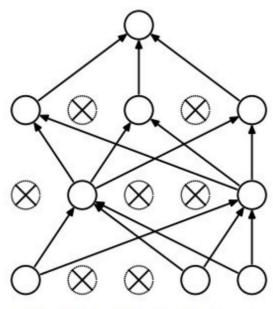


Some neurons are "dropped" during training.

Prevents overfitting.



(a) Standard Neural Net



(b) After applying dropout.

Actually, on test case output should be normalized. See sources for more info.

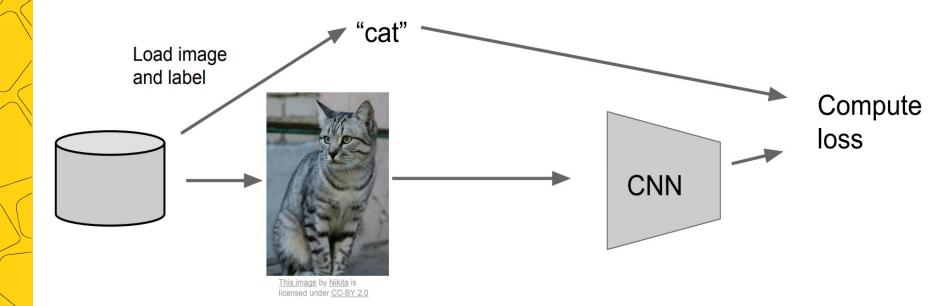
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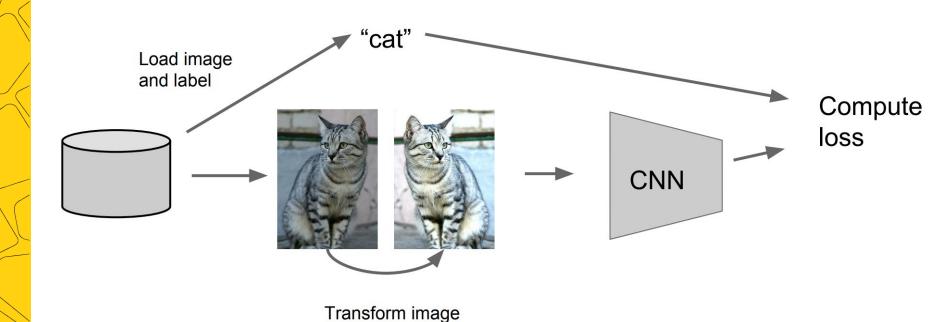
# **Data augmentation**





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# Many ways to augment



Original image



augmentation

Horizontal Flip



Contrast



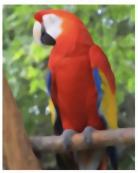
Crop



Hue / Saturation / Value



Median Blur



Gamma



# **Albumentations for images**



Original



VerticalFlip



HorizontalFlip



ShiftScaleRotate



https://albumentations.ai/





	Sentence	
Original	The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog	
Synonym (PPDB)	The quick brown fox climbs over the lazy dog	
Word Embeddings (word2vec)	The easy brown fox jumps over the lazy dog	
Contextual Word Embeddings (BERT)	Little quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog	
PPDB + word2vec + BERT	Little easy brown fox climbs over the lazy dog	

- https://github.com/sloria/TextBlob
- https://github.com/facebookresearch/AugLy
- https://github.com/makcedward/nlpaug/
- https://github.com/QData/TextAttack

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# **Thanks for attention!**

Questions?



