Assignment Set VI

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Observations After Adding Regularization

We have added dropout, data augmentation, L1 and L2 regularization to models used in assignment 2 and here are some general observations made:

- Regularization decreases the difference between validation loss and training loss.
- Indeed, regularizing the model reduces the risk of over fitting see Figure 3.
- **DRAWBACK** Adding (dropout) regularization may lead loss to become more susceptible to noise. As shown in Figure 2, the validation learning curve is not flat even after 25 epochs.
- **DRAWBACK** Adding regularization does NOT necessarily improves the performance. Consider HR pay rate regression (Figure 1) for example, models designed in assignment 2 were highly efficient, adding regularization, consequently, resulted in a minor degradation with respect to validation loss.
- **DRAWBACK** Despite of all its improvements, it decreases the convergence rate. thus one may need to train his model for more epochs to get the same performance accuracy as of non regularized one see Figure 4.

Figure 1: Performance loss

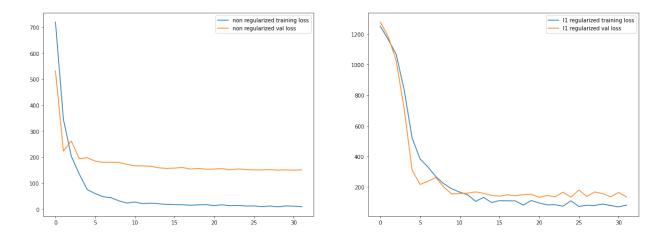


Figure 2: Noise susceptibility

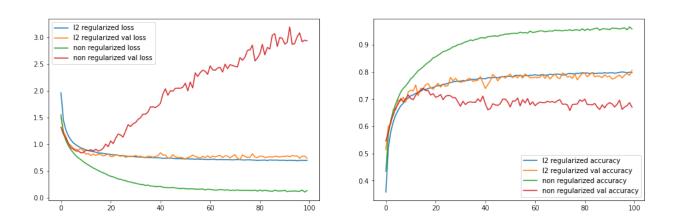


Figure 3: Avoid over fitting

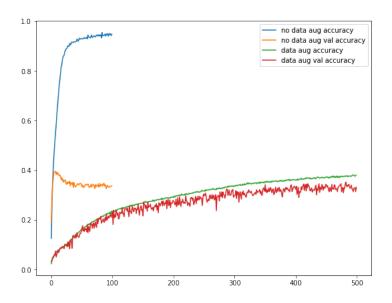


Figure 4: Slowing down the rate of convergence