# Going Deep

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## The Universal Approximation Theorem

Let $\psi : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a nonconstant, bounded, and continuous function. Let $I_m$ denote the m-dimensional unit hypercube $[0, 1]^m$. The space of real-valued continuous functions on $I_m$ is denoted by $C(I_m)$. Then, given any $\epsilon > 0$ and any function $f \in C(I_m)$, there exist an integer $N$, real constants $v_i, b_i \in \mathbb{R}$ and real vectors $w_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$ for $i = 1, \ldots, N$, such that we may define:

$F(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i \psi(w_i^T x + b_i)$ as an approximate realization of the function $f$ ; that is,

$|F(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$
for all $x \in I_m$.

## Then Why Go Deep?

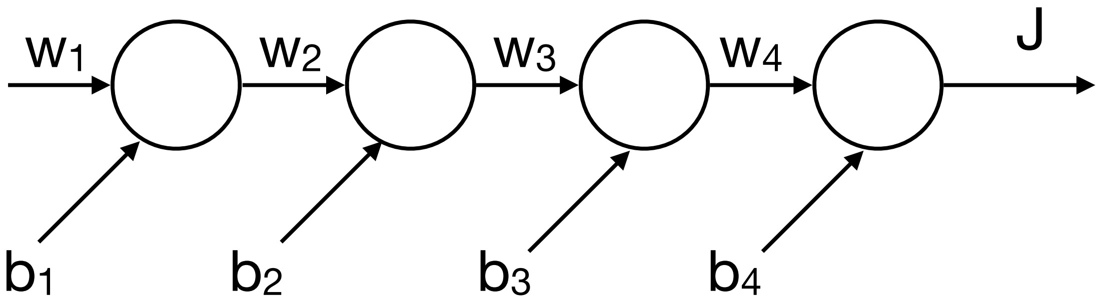
- There are functions you can compute with a deep neural network that shallow networks require exponentially more hidden units to compute.
- The following function is more efficient to implement using a deep neural network: $y = x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_3 \oplus \cdots \oplus x_n$



## Vanishing and Exploding Gradients

- The vanishing and exploding gradient problem is a difficulty found in training NN with gradient-based learning methods and backpropagation.
- In training, the gradient may become vanishingly small (or large), effectively preventing the weight from changing its value (or exploding in value).
- This leads to the neural network not being able to train.
- This issue affects many-layered networks (feed-forward), as well as recurrent networks.

## Issues with Going Deep






## Residual Connections

- One of the most effective ways to resolve the vanishing gradient problem is with residual neural networks (ResNets)[1].
- ResNets are artificial neural networks that use *skip connections* to jump over layers.
- The vanishing gradient problem is mitigated in ResNets by reusing activations from a previous layer.

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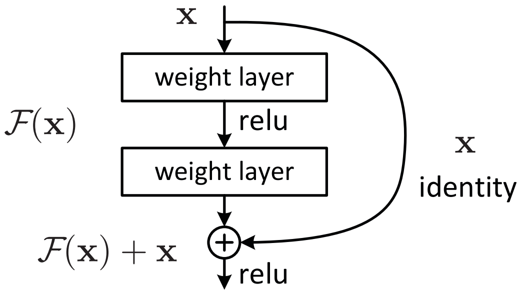


Figure 2. Residual learning: a building block.[2].

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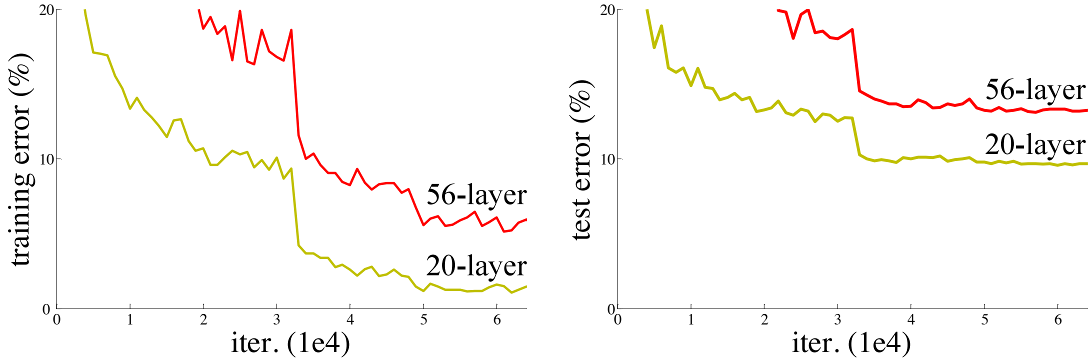


Figure 1. Training error (left) and test error (right) on CIFAR-10 with 20-layer and 56-layer "plain" networks. The deeper network has higher training error, and thus test error. Similar phenomena on ImageNet is presented in Fig. 4. [3]

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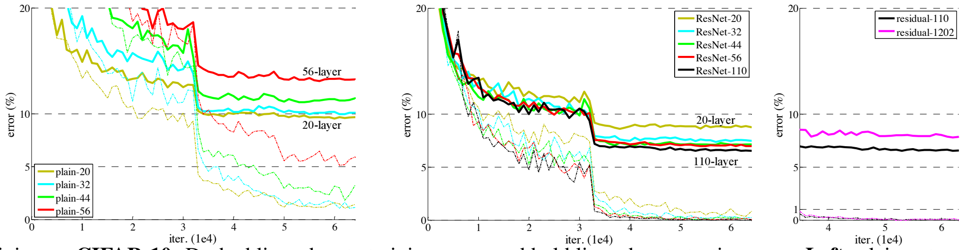


Figure 6. Training on **CIFAR-10**. Dashed lines denote training error, and bold lines denote testing error. **Left**: plain networks. The error of plain-110 is higher than 60% and not displayed. **Middle**: ResNets. **Right**: ResNets with 110 and 1202 layers.[4]

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# Dropout

- Neural networks with a large number of parameters (and hidden layers) are powerful, however, overfitting is a serious problem in such systems.
- Dropout is a form of regularization
- The key idea in dropout is to randomly drop neurons, including all of the connections, from the neural network during training.

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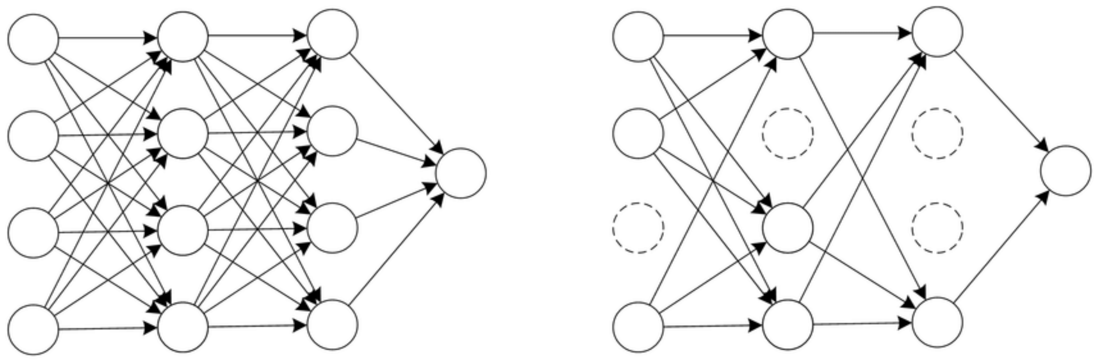

(a) Standard Neural Network (b) Network after Dropout [5]

[5]Image from: `https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Dropout-neural-network-model-a-is-a-standard-neural-network-b-is-the-same-n`
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# How Does Dropout Work in Practice?

- In the learning phase, we stochastically remove hidden units by setting a dropout probability for each layer in the network. We then randomly decide wether or not a neuron in a given layer is removed stochastically.

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- We define a random binary mask $m^{(l)}$ which is used to remove neurons, and note, $m^{(l)}$ changes for each iteration of the backpropagation algorithm.
- For layers, $l = 1$ to $L - 1$, for the forward pass of backpropagation, we then compute

$$a^{(l)} = \sigma(w^{(l)} a^{(l-1)} + b^{(l)}) \odot m^{(l)} \tag{1}$$

- For layer $L$, $a^{(L)} = \sigma(w^{(L)} a^{(L-1)} + b^{(l)})$
- For the backward pass of the backpropagation algorithm,

$$\delta^L = \Delta_a J \odot \sigma'(z^L) \odot m^{(l)} \tag{2}$$



## Why Does Dropout Work?

- Neurons cannot co-adapt to other units (they cannot assume that all of the other units will be present)
- By breaking co-adaptation, each unit will ultimately find more general features