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# **SGD**

#### **SGD** class

```
tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(
   learning_rate=0.01, momentum=0.0, nesterov=False, name="SGD", **kwargs
```

Gradient descent (with momentum) optimizer.

Update rule for parameter w with gradient g when momentum is 0:

```
w = w - learning_rate * g
```

Update rule when momentum is larger than 0:

```
velocity = momentum * velocity - learning_rate * g
w = w + velocity
```

When nesterov=True, this rule becomes:

```
velocity = momentum * velocity - learning_rate * g
w = w + momentum * velocity - learning_rate * g
```

#### **Arguments**

- learning\_rate: A Tensor, floating point value, or a schedule that is a  $\underline{\texttt{tf.keras.optimizers.schedules.LearningRateSchedule}}, or a callable that takes no arguments and$ returns the actual value to use. The learning rate. Defaults to 0.01.
- **momentum**: float hyperparameter >= 0 that accelerates gradient descent in the relevant direction and dampens oscillations. Defaults to 0, i.e., vanilla gradient descent.
- **nesterov**: boolean. Whether to apply Nesterov momentum. Defaults to False.
- name: Optional name prefix for the operations created when applying gradients. Defaults to
- \*\*kwargs: Keyword arguments. Allowed to be one of "clipnorm" or "clipvalue". "clipnorm" (float) clips gradients by norm; "clipvalue" (float) clips gradients by value.

#### Usage:

```
opt = tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(learning_rate=0.1)
  var = tf.Variable(1.0)
>> loss = lambda: (var ** 2)/2.0
>>> step_count = opt.minimize(loss, [var]).numpy()
>>> # Step is `- learning_rate * grad`
  var.numpy()
```

```
>>> opt = tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(learning_rate=0.1, momentum=0.9)
>>> var = tf.Variable(1.0)
>>> val0 = var.value()
>>> loss = lambda: (var ** 2)/2.0  # d(loss)/d(var1) = var1
>>> # First step is `- learning_rate * grad`
>>> step_count = opt.minimize(loss, [var]).numpy()
>>> val1 = var.value()
>>> (val0 - val1).numpy()
0.1
>>> # On later steps, step-size increases because of momentum
>>> step_count = opt.minimize(loss, [var]).numpy()
>>> val2 = var.value()
>>> (val1 - val2).numpy()
0.18
```

### Reference

• For nesterov=True, See <u>Sutskever et al., 2013</u>.