

# Project 1: Word Embeddings

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# Preprocessing

”John moved the couch from the garage to the backyard to create space. The \_ is small.”

## Text Normalization

- convert to lowercase
- remove punctuation

## Stopword Removal

- remove stopwords
  - «the», «is», «a», «not», «by», «of» etc.

”john moved couch garage backyard create space \_ small”

# Network Architecture: Word Embedding

Word2Vec: word2vec-google-news-300

## Integrating Dataset with PyTorch for Evaluation

1. Sentence and Options Extraction
2. Sentence Replacement
3. *Vectorization*
4. Stacking and Labeling
  - returns tuple with tensor (stacked vectors) and label

## Convert Sentence to Vector

1. Tokenization
2. Vector Accumulation
3. Averaging & Normalizing
  - returns single vector

# Network Architecture: Classifier

## ComparativeClassifier

### Sequential Model Layers

1. Linear Layer: Resize
  - input\_size to hidden\_layer\_size
2. ReLU Activation: Learn
  - non-linearity for complex patterns
3. Linear Layer: Transform
  - hidden\_layer\_size to single scalar

### Forward Pass

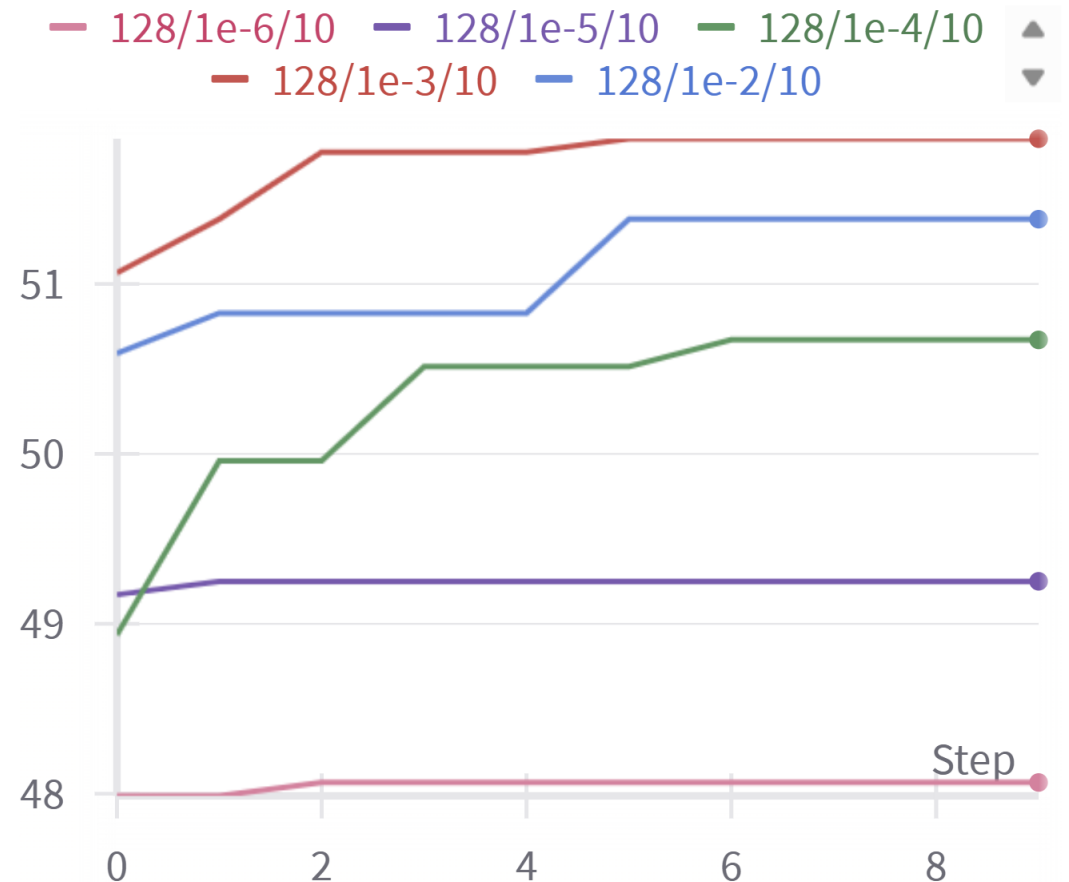
- Input
  - sentence pair vectors tensor
- 1. Vector Separation
- 2. Scoring
- 3. Comparison
- Output
  - score difference tensor

# Experiments

## Start

- Testing Preprocessing
  - lowercase
  - punctuation
  - remove stopwords
  - stemming / lemmatization
- Short Epochs ( $\leq 10$ )
- Fixed Hidden Layers (128)
- Tuned Learning Rate
  - $1e-2 \rightarrow 1e-6$

## Best Validation Accuracy: 51.86%

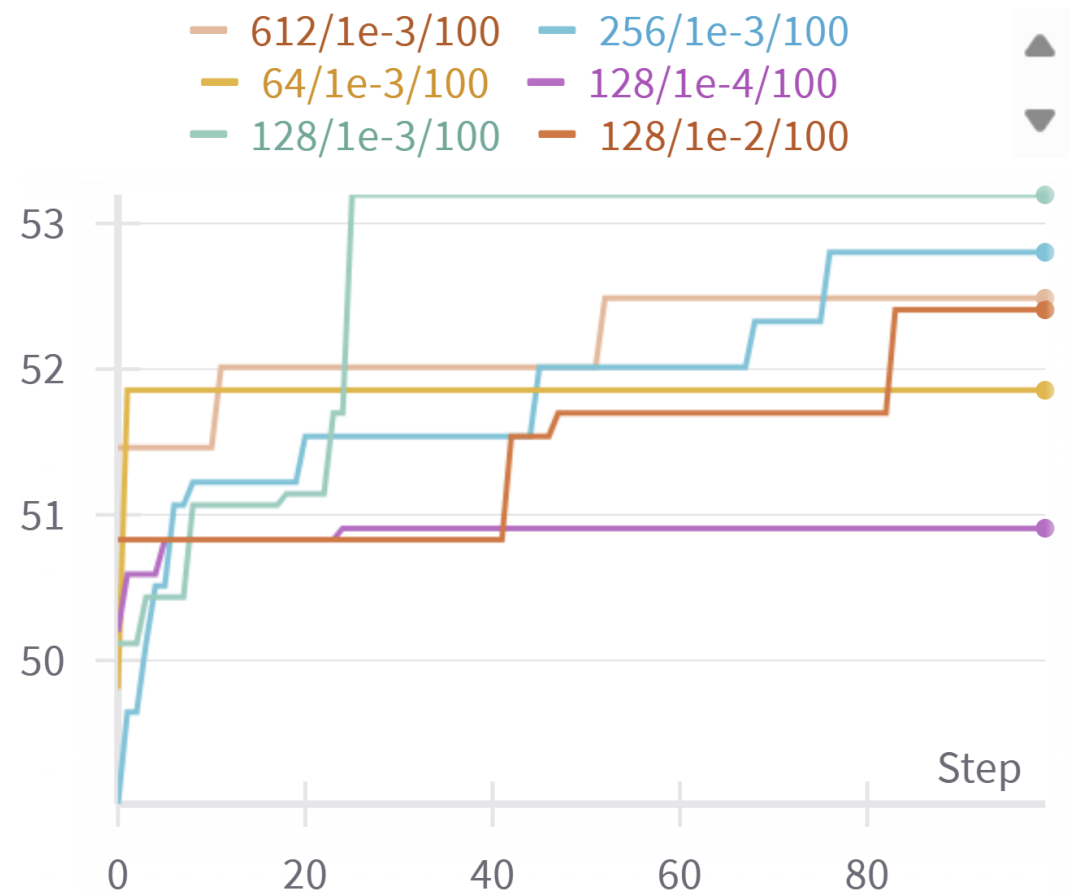


# Experiments

## Continuation

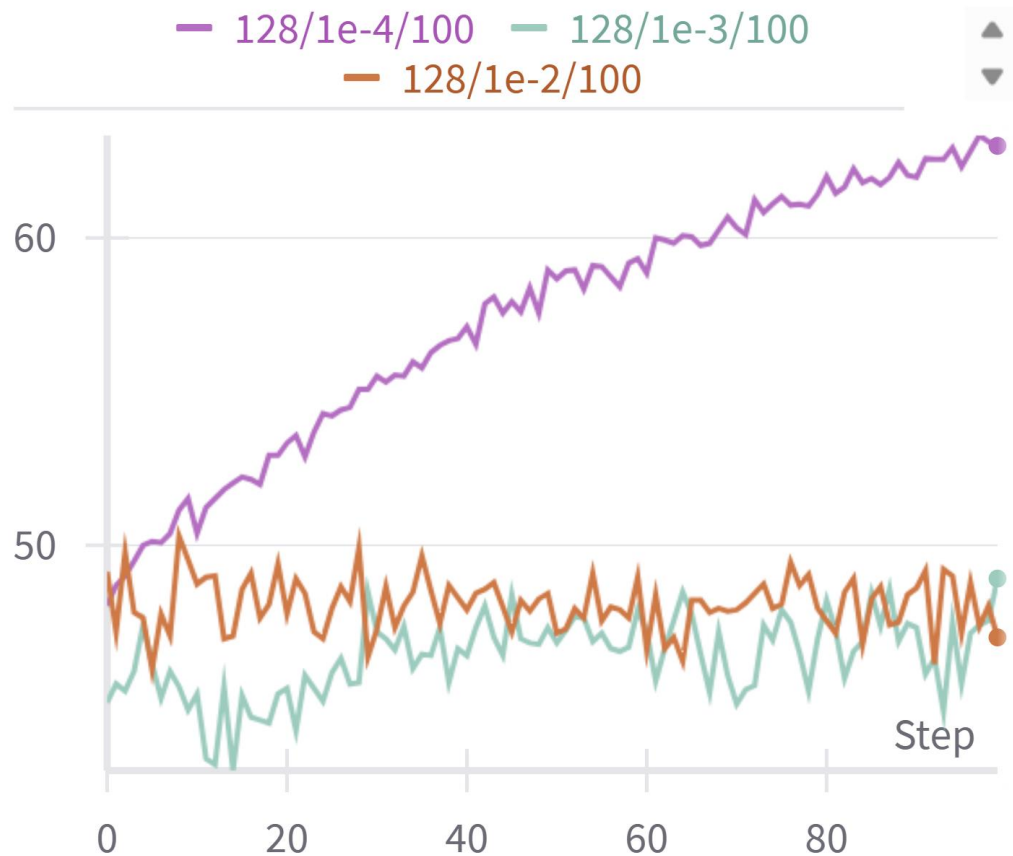
- Fixed preprocessing
  - lowercase -> yes
  - punctuation -> yes
  - remove stopwords -> no
- Large(r) Epochs ( $\geq 100$ )
- Tuned Hidden Layers
  - 64 -> 512
- Tuned Learning Rate
  - $1e-2 \rightarrow 1e-4$

**Best Validation Accuracy: 53.12%**

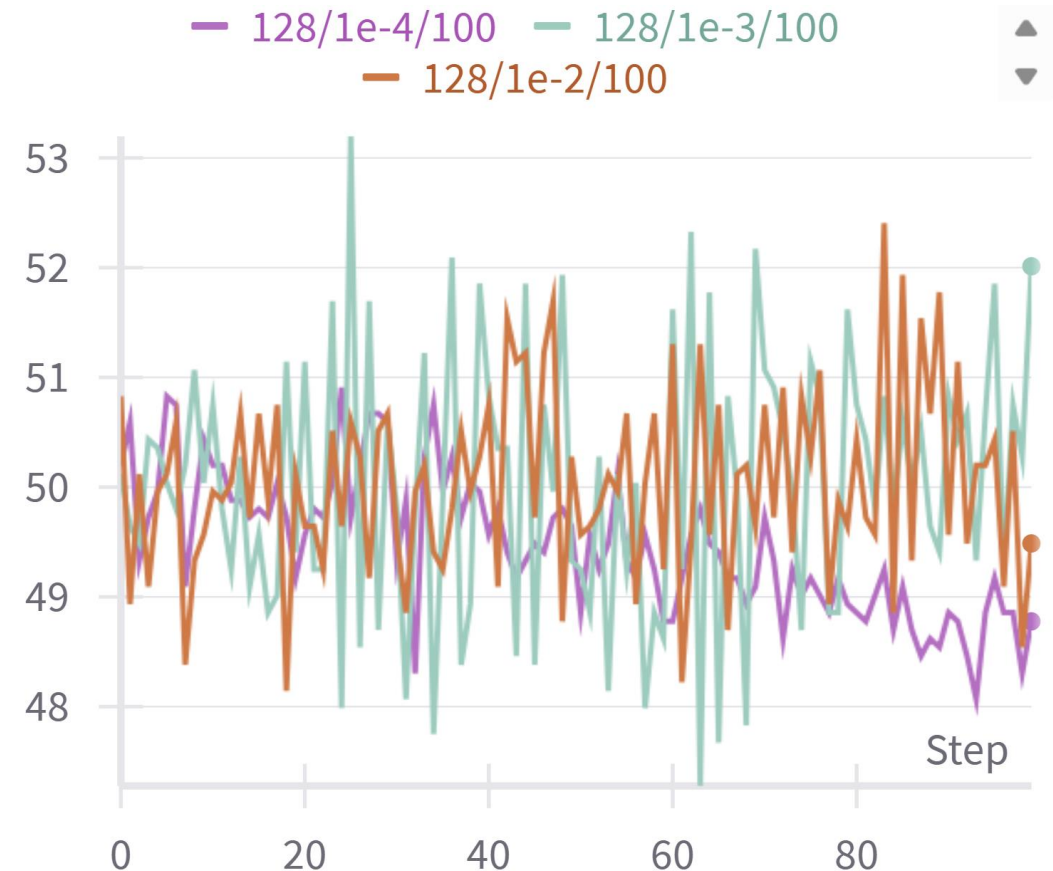


# Experiments: Learning Rate Overfitting

## Train Accuracy



## Validation Accuracy



# Results

## My Best Configuration

- hidden\_dim: 128
- num\_epochs: 100
- learning\_rate: 1e-3
- batch\_size: 32
- preprocessing:
  - lowercase: True
  - remove\_punctuation: True
  - remove\_stopwords: False

## Interpretation of Results

- marginally better than random
  - 50% chance by guessing
- overfitting concerns
  - when using small learning rates
- underfitting concerns
  - both train and validation accuracies are low
  - complex task



# Key Take-aways

## Increase Efficiency

- choose right device (GPU)
  - shorten run time
  - run longer epochs
- automate tuning of hyperparameters

## Proper Logging

- plan what to log
  - train, evaluation, test
  - (best) accuracy, loss
- start logging from start on
- arrange logs structured
  - adjust view/axis of graphics
  - rename runs