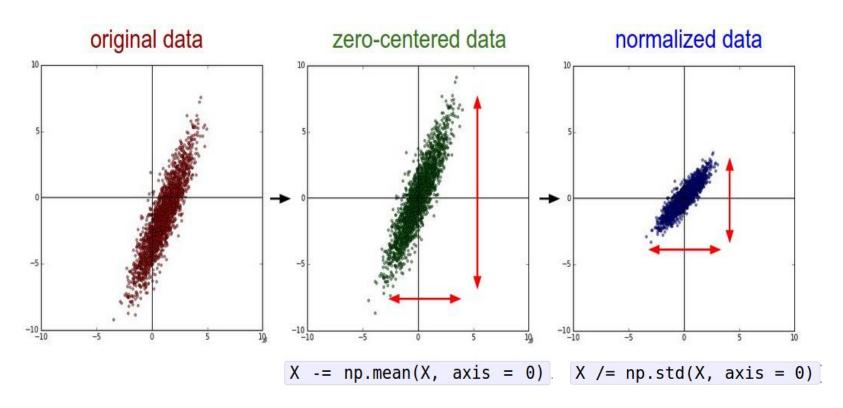
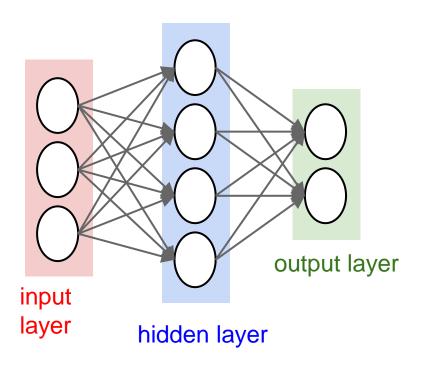
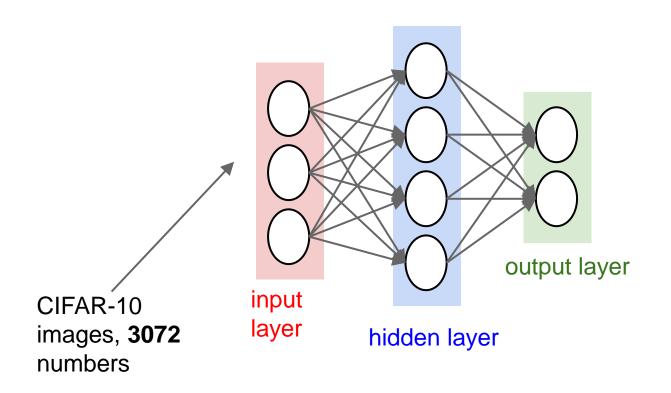
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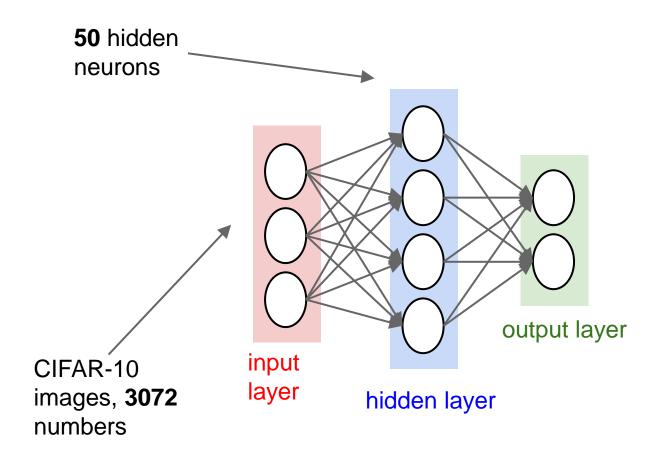
Step 1: Preprocess the data

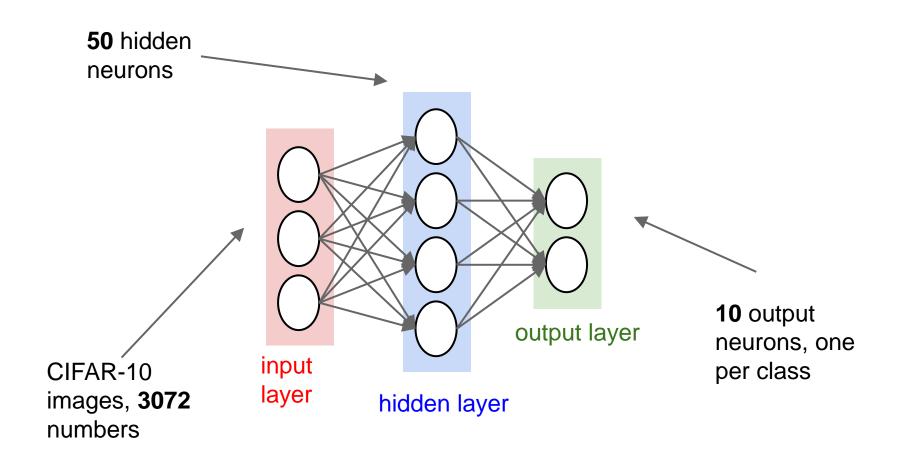


(Assume X [NxD] is data matrix, each example in a row)









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loss, grad = two_layer_net(X_train, model, y_train, 0.0) disable regularization
print loss
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2.30261216167 loss ~2.3.

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```

```
model = init_two_layer_model(32*32*3, 50, 10) # input size, hidden size, number of classes
loss, grad = two_layer_net(X_train, model, y_train, 1e3)
print loss
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The above code:

- take the first 20 examples from CIFAR-10
- turn off regularization (reg = 0.0)
- use simple vanilla 'sgd'

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Very small loss, train accuracy 1.00, nice!

```
model = init two layer model(32*32*3, 50, 10) # input size, hidden size, number of classes
trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
X tiny = X train[:20] # take 20 examples
y tiny = y train[:20]
best model, stats = trainer.train(X tiny, y tiny, X tiny, y tiny,
                                  model, two layer net,
                                  num epochs=200, req=0.0,
                                  update='sqd', learning rate decay=1,
                                  sample batches = False,
                                  learning rate=le-3, verbose=True)
Finished epoch 1 / 200: cost 2.302603, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 2 / 200: cost 2.302258, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 3 / 200: cost 2.301849, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 4 / 200: cost 2.301196, train: 0.650000, val 0.650000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 5 / 200: cost 2.300044, train: 0.650000, val 0.650000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 6 / 200: cost 2.297864, train: 0.550000, val 0.550000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 7 / 200: cost 2.293595, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 8 / 200: cost 2.285096, train: 0.550000, val 0.550000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 9 / 200: cost 2.268094, train: 0.550000, val 0.550000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 10 / 200: cost 2.234787, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 11 / 200: cost 2.173187, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 12 / 200: cost 2.076862, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 13 / 200: cost 1.974090, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 14 / 200: cost 1.895885, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 15 / 200: cost 1.820876, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 16 / 200: cost 1.737430, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 17 / 200: cost 1.642356, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 18 / 200: cost 1.535239, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 195 / 200: cost 0.002694, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 196 / 200: cost 0.002674, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 197 / 200: cost 0.002655, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 198 / 200: cost 0.002635, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 199 / 200: cost 0.002617, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      Finished epoch 200 / 200: cost 0.002597, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
      finished optimization. best validation accuracy: 1.000000
```

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trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
best model, stats = trainer.train(X train, y train, X val, y val,
                                  model, two layer net,
                                  num epochs=10, reg=0.000001,
                                  update='sqd', learning rate decay=1,
                                  learning rate=1e-6, verbose=True)
Finished epoch 1 / 10: cost 2.302576, train: 0.080000, val 0.103000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 2 / 10: cost 2.302582, train: 0.121000, val 0.124000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 3 / 10: cost 2.302558, train: 0.119000, val 0.138000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 4 / 10: cost 2.302519, train: 0.127000, val 0.151000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 5 / 10: cost 2.302517, train: 0.158000, val 0.171000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 6 / 10: cost 2.302518, train: 0.179000, val 0.172000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 7 / 10: cost 2.302466, train: 0.180000, val 0.176000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 8 / 10: cost 2.302452, train: 0.175000, val 0.185000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 9 / 10: cost 2.302459, train: 0.206000, val 0.192000, lr 1.000000e-06
Finished epoch 10 / 10 cost 2.302420 train: 0.190000, val 0.192000, lr 1.000000e-06
finished optimization. best validation accuracy: 0.192000
```

Loss barely changing

I like to start with small regularization and find learning rate that makes the loss go down.

Loss not going down: learning rate too low

```
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finished optimization. best validation accuracy: 0.192000
```

Loss barely changing: Learning rate is probably too low

I like to start with small regularization and find learning rate that makes the loss go down.

Loss not going down: learning rate too low

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Loss barely changing: Learning rate is probably too low

Notice train/val accuracy goes to 20% though, what's up with that? (remember this is softmax)

I like to start with small regularization and find learning rate that makes the loss go down.

Loss not going down: learning rate too low



Okay now lets try learning rate 1e6. What could possibly go wrong?

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Loss not going down: learning rate too low

Loss exploding: learning rate too high

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trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
best model, stats = trainer.train(X train, y train, X val, y val,
                                  model, two layer net,
                                  num epochs=10, reg=0.000001,
                                  update='sqd', learning rate decay=1,
                                  sample batches = True,
                                  learning rate=1e6, verbose=True)
/home/karpathy/cs231n/code/cs231n/classifiers/neural net.py:50: RuntimeWarning: divide by zero en
countered in log
 data loss = -np.sum(np.log(probs[range(N), y])) / N
/home/karpathy/cs231n/code/cs231n/classifiers/neural net.py:48: RuntimeWarning: invalid value enc
ountered in subtract
 probs = np.exp(scores - np.max(scores, axis=1, keepdims=True))
Finished epoch 1 / 10: cost nan, train: 0.091000, val 0.087000, lr 1.000000e+06
Finished epoch 2 / 10: cost nan, train: 0.095000, val 0.087000, lr 1.000000e+06
Finished epoch 3 / 10: cost nan, train: 0.100000, val 0.087000, lr 1.000000e+06
```

cost: NaN almost always means high learning rate...

I like to start with small regularization and find learning rate that makes the loss go down.

Loss not going down:

learning rate too low

Loss exploding:

learning rate too high

```
Finished epoch 1 / 10: cost 2.186654, train: 0.308000, val 0.306000, lr 3.000000e-03 Finished epoch 2 / 10: cost 2.176230, train: 0.330000, val 0.350000, lr 3.000000e-03 Finished epoch 3 / 10: cost 1.942257, train: 0.376000, val 0.352000, lr 3.000000e-03 Finished epoch 4 / 10: cost 1.827868, train: 0.329000, val 0.310000, lr 3.000000e-03 Finished epoch 5 / 10: cost inf, train: 0.128000, val 0.128000, lr 3.000000e-03 Finished epoch 6 / 10: cost inf, train: 0.144000, val 0.147000, lr 3.000000e-03
```

3e-3 is still too high. Cost explodes....

⇒ Rough range for learning rate we should be cross-validating is somewhere [1e-3 ... 1e-5]

HYPERPARAMETER OPTIMIZATION

Cross-validation strategy

I like to do **coarse** → **fine** cross-validation in stages

First stage: only a few epochs to get rough idea of what params work

Second stage: longer running time, finer search

... (repeat as necessary)

Tip for detecting explosions in the solver:

If the cost is ever > 3 * original cost, break out early

For example: run coarse search for 5 epochs

```
max count = 100
   for count in xrange(max count):
                                                          note it's best to optimize in log
         reg = 10**uniform(-5, 5)
         lr = 10**uniform(-3, -6)
                                                          space!
         trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
         model = init two layer model(32*32*3, 50, 10) # input size, hidden size, number of classes
         trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
         best model local, stats = trainer.train(X train, y train, X val, y val,
                                       model, two layer net,
                                       num epochs=5, reg=reg,
                                       update='momentum', learning rate decay=0.9,
                                       sample batches = True, batch size = 100,
                                        learning rate=lr, verbose=False)
            val acc: 0.412000, lr: 1.405206e-04, reg: 4.793564e-01, (1 / 100)
           val acc: 0.214000, lr: 7.231888e-06, reg: 2.321281e-04, (2 / 100)
           val acc: 0.208000, lr: 2.119571e-06, reg: 8.011857e+01, (3 / 100)
           val acc: 0.196000, lr: 1.551131e-05, reg: 4.374936e-05, (4 / 100)
            val acc: 0.079000, lr: 1.753300e-05, reg: 1.200424e+03, (5 / 100)
            val acc: 0.223000, lr: 4.215128e-05, reg: 4.196174e+01, (6 / 100)
            val acc: 0.441000, lr: 1.750259e-04, reg: 2.110807e-04, (7 / 100)
nice
            val acc: 0.241000, lr: 6.749231e-05, reg: 4.226413e+01, (8 /
            val acc: 0.482000, lr: 4.296863e-04, reg: 6.642555e-01, (9 / 100)
            val acc: 0.079000, lr: 5.401602e-06, reg: 1.599828e+04, (10 / 100)
            val acc: 0.154000, lr: 1.618508e-06, reg: 4.925252e-01, (11 / 100)
```

Now run finer search...

```
max_count = 100
for count in xrange(max_count):
    reg = 10**uniform(-5, 5)
    lr = 10**uniform(-3, -6)
adjust range
```

```
max_count = 100
for count in xrange(max_count):
    reg = 10**uniform(-4, 0)
    lr = 10**uniform(-3, -4)
```

```
val acc: 0.527000, lr: 5.340517e-04, reg: 4.097824e-01, (0 / 100)
val acc: 0.492000, lr: 2.279484e-04, reg: 9.991345e-04, (1 / 100)
val acc: 0.512000, lr: 8.680827e-04, reg: 1.349727e-02, (2 / 100)
val acc: 0.461000, lr: 1.028377e-04, reg: 1.220193e-02, (3 / 100)
val acc: 0.460000, lr: 1.113730e-04, reg: 5.244309e-02, (4 / 100)
val acc: 0.498000, lr: 9.477776e-04, reg: 2.001293e-03, (5 / 100)
val acc: 0.469000, lr: 1.484369e-04, reg: 4.328313e-01, (6 / 100)
val acc: 0.522000, lr: 5.586261e-04, reg: 2.312685e-04, (7 / 100)
val acc: 0.530000, lr: 5.808183e-04, reg: 8.259964e-02, (8 / 100)
val acc: 0.489000, lr: 1.979168e-04, reg: 1.010889e-04, (9 / 100)
val acc: 0.490000, lr: 2.036031e-04, reg: 2.406271e-03, (10 / 100)
val acc: 0.475000, lr: 2.021162e-04, reg: 2.287807e-01, (11 / 100)
val acc: 0.460000, lr: 1.135527e-04, reg: 3.905040e-02, (12 / 100)
val acc: 0.515000, lr: 6.947668e-04, reg: 1.562808e-02, (13 / 100)
val acc: 0.531000, lr: 9.471549e-04, reg: 1.433895e-03, (14 / 100)
val acc: 0.509000, lr: 3.140888e-04, reg: 2.857518e-01, (15 / 100)
val acc: 0.514000, lr: 6.438349e-04, reg: 3.033781e-01, (16 / 100)
val acc: 0.502000, lr: 3.921784e-04, reg: 2.707126e-04, (17 / 100)
val acc: 0.509000, lr: 9.752279e-04, reg: 2.850865e-03, (18 / 100)
val acc: 0.500000, lr: 2.412048e-04, reg: 4.997821e-04, (19 / 100)
val acc: 0.466000, lr: 1.319314e-04, reg: 1.189915e-02, (20 / 100)
val acc: 0.516000, lr: 8.039527e-04, reg: 1.528291e-02, (21 / 100)
```

53% - relatively good for a 2-layer neural net with 50 hidden neurons.

Now run finer search...

```
max_count = 100
for count in xrange(max_count):
    reg = 10**uniform(-5, 5)
    lr = 10**uniform(-3, -6)
```

adjust range

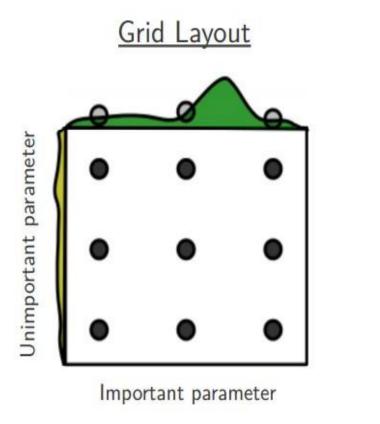
```
max_count = 100
for count in xrange(max_count):
    reg = 10**uniform(-4, 0)
    lr = 10**uniform(-3, -4)
```

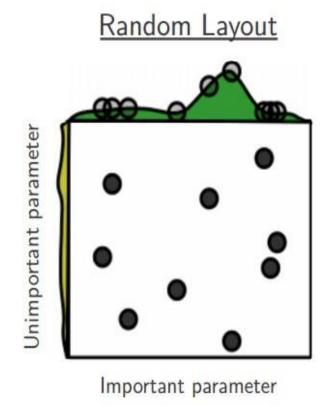
```
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val acc: 0.475000, lr: 2.021162e-04, reg: 2.287807e-01, (11 / 100)
val acc: 0.460000, lr: 1.135527e-04, reg: 3.905040e-02, (12 / 100)
val acc: 0.515000, lr: 6.947668e-04, reg: 1.562808e-02, (13 / 100)
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val acc: 0.509000, lr: 3.140888e-04, reg: 2.857518e-01, (15 / 100)
val acc: 0.514000, lr: 6.438349e-04, reg: 3.033781e-01, (16 / 100)
val acc: 0.502000, lr: 3.921784e-04, reg: 2.707126e-04, (17 / 100)
val acc: 0.509000, lr: 9.752279e-04, reg: 2.850865e-03, (18 / 100)
val acc: 0.500000, lr: 2.412048e-04, reg: 4.997821e-04, (19 / 100)
val acc: 0.466000, lr: 1.319314e-04, reg: 1.189915e-02, (20 / 100)
val acc: 0.516000, lr: 8.039527e-04, reg: 1.528291e-02, (21 / 100)
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53% - relatively good for a 2-layer neural net with 50 hidden neurons.

But this best - cross-validation result is worrying. Why?

Random Search × Grid Search





Random Search for Hyper-Parameter Optimization Bergstra and Bengio, 2012

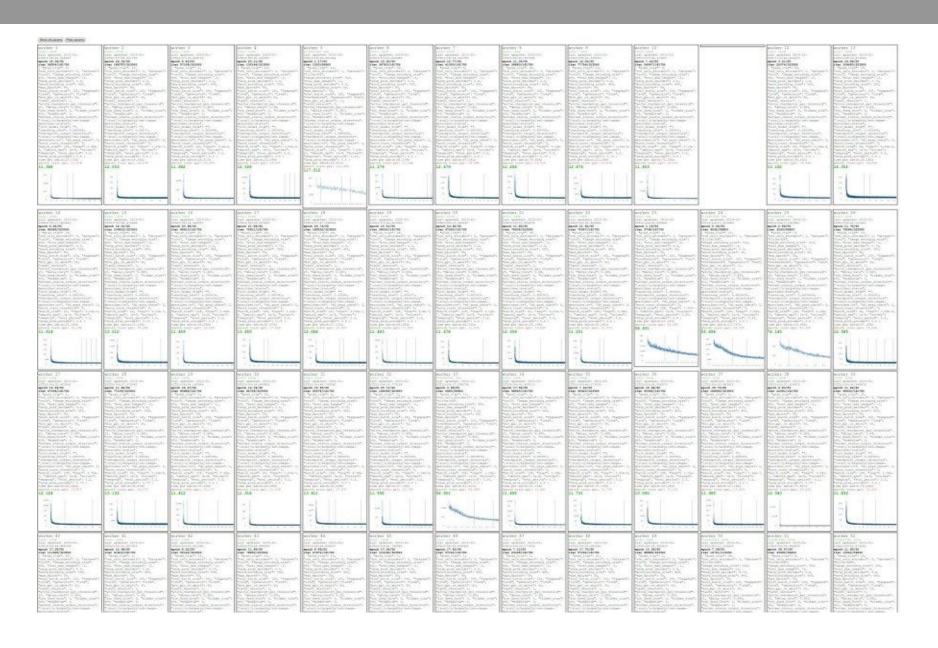
Hyperparameters to play with

- network architecture
- learning rate, its decay schedule, update type
- regularization (L2/Dropout strength)

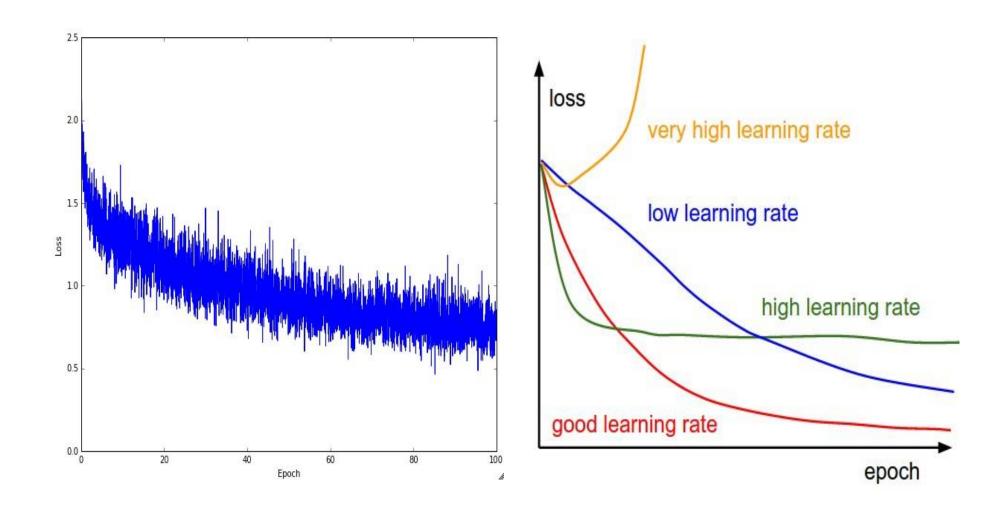
neural networks practitioner music = loss function



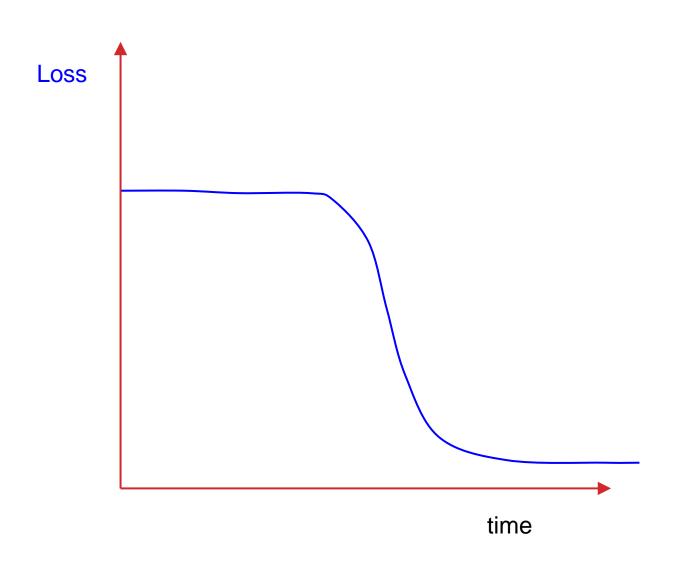
A cross-validation "command center"



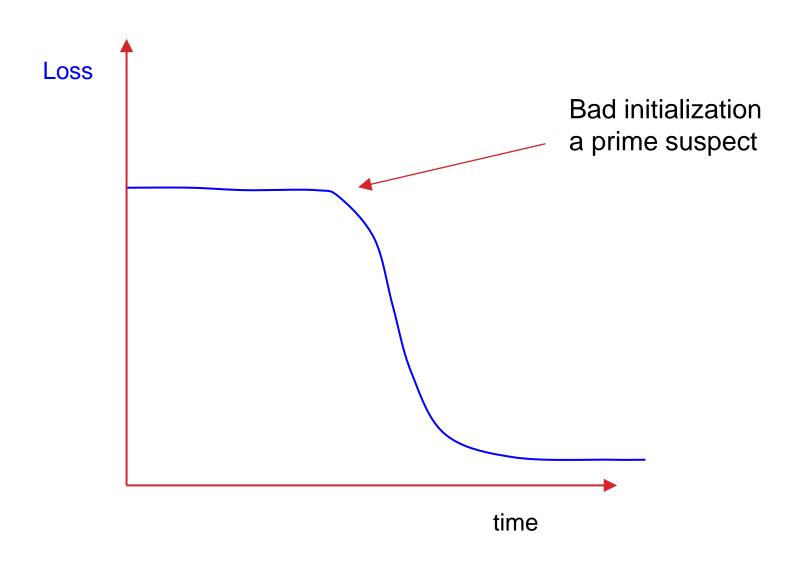
Monitor and Visualize the Loss Curve



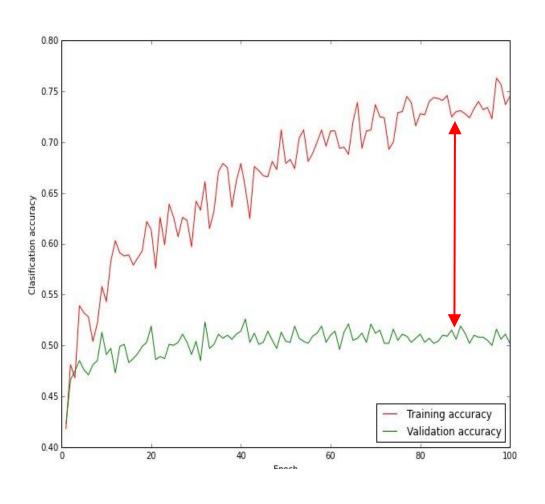
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Monitor and Visualize the Loss Curve



Monitor and visualize the accuracy



big gap = overfitting

 \Rightarrow increase regularization strength?

no gap

⇒ increase model capacity?