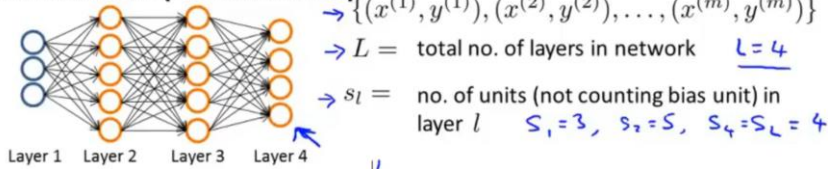


# Neural Networks: Learning

## 1 Cost function

### Neural Network (Classification)



### Binary classification

$y = 0$  or  $1 \leftarrow$

1 output unit  $\leftarrow$

$$h_{\Theta}(x) \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$s_L = 1, \quad K = 1 \leftarrow$$

### Multi-class classification (K classes)

$y \in \mathbb{R}^K$  e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow$   
 pedestrian car motorcycle truck

### K output units

$$h_{\Theta}(x) \in \mathbb{R}^K$$

$$s_L = K \quad (K \geq 3)$$

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## Cost function

Logistic regression:

$$J(\theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j^2$$

Neural network:

$$\rightarrow h_{\Theta}(x) \in \mathbb{R}^K \quad (h_{\Theta}(x))_i = i^{th} \text{ output}$$

$$\rightarrow J(\Theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K y_k^{(i)} \log(h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}))_k + (1 - y_k^{(i)}) \log(1 - (h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}))_k) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \sum_{i=1}^{s_l} \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} (\Theta_{ji}^{(l)})^2$$

$\leftarrow \Theta_{ji}^{(l)} = \text{weight between unit } i \text{ in layer } l \text{ and unit } j \text{ in layer } l+1$   
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## 2 Backpropagation algorithm

### Gradient computation

$$\rightarrow J(\Theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K y_k^{(i)} \log h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})_k + (1 - y_k^{(i)}) \log(1 - h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})_k) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \sum_{i=1}^{s_l} \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} (\Theta_{ji}^{(l)})^2$$

$$\rightarrow \min_{\Theta} J(\Theta)$$

Need code to compute:

$$\rightarrow -J(\Theta)$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) \leftarrow$$

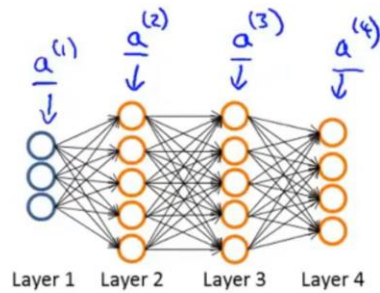
$$\leftarrow \Theta_{ij}^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}$$

## Gradient computation

Given one training example  $(x, y)$ :

Forward propagation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underline{a}^{(1)} = \underline{x} \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{z}^{(2)} = \underline{\Theta}^{(1)} \underline{a}^{(1)} \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{a}^{(2)} = g(\underline{z}^{(2)}) \quad (\text{add } \underline{a}_0^{(2)}) \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{z}^{(3)} = \underline{\Theta}^{(2)} \underline{a}^{(2)} \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{a}^{(3)} = g(\underline{z}^{(3)}) \quad (\text{add } \underline{a}_0^{(3)}) \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{z}^{(4)} = \underline{\Theta}^{(3)} \underline{a}^{(3)} \\
 \rightarrow & \underline{a}^{(4)} = \underline{h_{\Theta}}(\underline{x}) = g(\underline{z}^{(4)})
 \end{aligned}$$



## Gradient computation: Backpropagation algorithm

Intuition:  $\delta_j^{(l)}$  = "error" of node  $j$  in layer  $l$ .

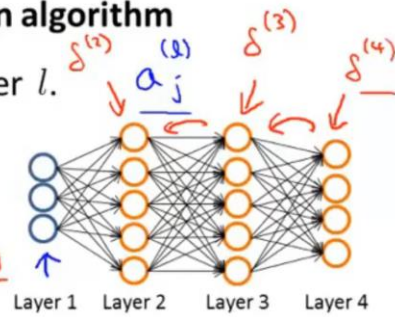
For each output unit (layer  $L = 4$ )

$$\delta_j^{(4)} = \underline{a_j^{(4)}} - \underline{y_j} \quad (\text{no } \delta_j^{(4)} = \underline{a_j^{(4)}} - \underline{y_j})$$

$$\rightarrow \delta^{(3)} = (\underline{\Theta}^{(3)})^T \delta^{(4)} \cdot g'(\underline{z}^{(3)})$$

$$\rightarrow \delta^{(2)} = (\underline{\Theta}^{(2)})^T \delta^{(3)} \cdot g'(\underline{z}^{(2)})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) = \underline{a_j^{(l)}} \delta_i^{(l+1)} \quad (\text{ignore } \lambda; \text{ if } \lambda = 0) \leftarrow \\
 & \quad \underline{a_j^{(l)}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{z}^{(l)}} g(\underline{z}^{(l)}) = \underline{a_j^{(l)}} \cdot (1 - \underline{a_j^{(l)}})
 \end{aligned}$$



## Backpropagation algorithm

→ Training set  $\{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})\}$

Set  $\Delta_{ij}^{(l)} = 0$  (for all  $l, i, j$ ).

For  $i = 1$  to  $m \leftarrow (\underline{x}^{(i)}, \underline{y}^{(i)})$ .

Set  $\underline{a}^{(1)} = \underline{x}^{(i)}$

→ Perform forward propagation to compute  $\underline{a}^{(l)}$  for  $l = 2, 3, \dots, L$

→ Using  $\underline{y}^{(i)}$ , compute  $\delta^{(L)} = \underline{a}^{(L)} - \underline{y}^{(i)}$

→ Compute  $\delta^{(L-1)}, \delta^{(L-2)}, \dots, \delta^{(2)}$

→  $\Delta_{ij}^{(l)} := \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} + \underline{a_j^{(l)}} \delta_i^{(l+1)}$

$$\rightarrow \underline{D_{ij}^{(l)}} := \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} + \lambda \underline{\Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} \quad \text{if } j \neq 0$$

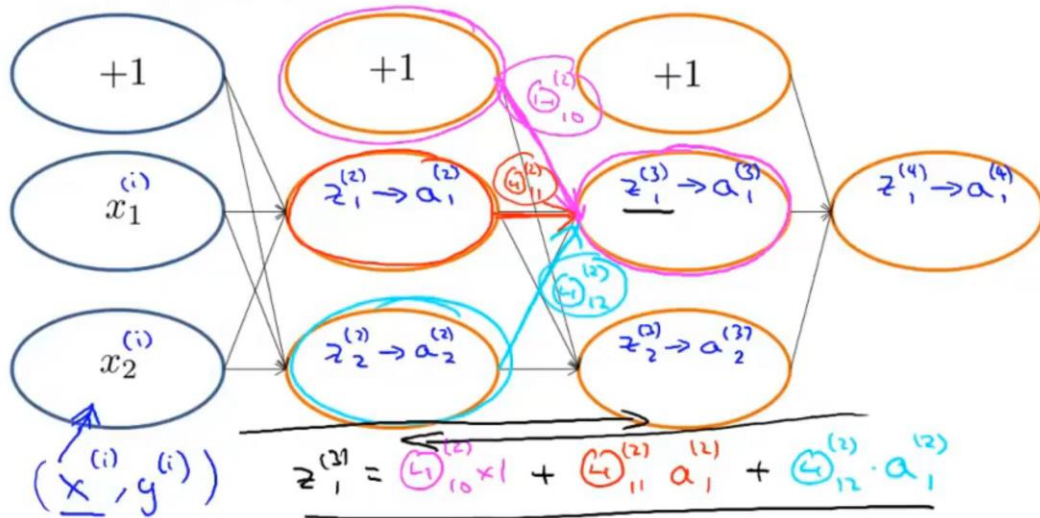
$$\rightarrow \underline{D_{ij}^{(l)}} := \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} \quad \text{if } j = 0$$

$$\Delta^{(l)} := \Delta^{(l)} + \delta^{(l+1)} (\underline{a}^{(l)})^T$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) = \underline{D_{ij}^{(l)}}$$

### 3 Backpropagation intuition

#### Forward Propagation



#### What is backpropagation doing?

$$J(\Theta) = -\frac{1}{m} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m y^{(i)} \log(h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - (h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}))) \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \sum_{i=1}^{s_l} \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} (\Theta_{ji}^{(l)})^2$$

(x<sup>(i)</sup>, y<sup>(i)</sup>)

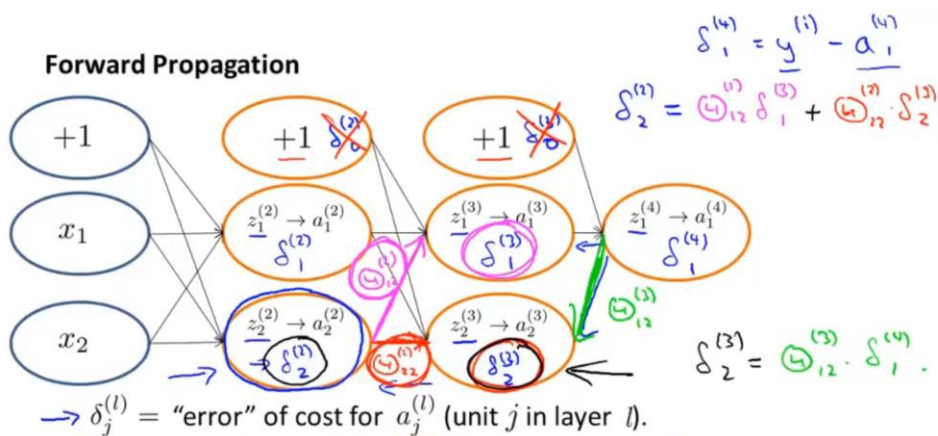
Focusing on a single example  $x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}$ , the case of 1 output unit, and ignoring regularization ( $\lambda = 0$ ),

$$\text{cost}(i) = y^{(i)} \log h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})$$

(Think of  $\text{cost}(i) \approx (h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$ )

I.e. how well is the network doing on example  $i$ ?

#### Forward Propagation



$\delta_j^{(l)}$  = "error" of cost for  $a_j^{(l)}$  (unit  $j$  in layer  $l$ ).

$$\text{Formally, } \delta_j^{(l)} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j^{(l)}} \text{cost}(i) \quad (\text{for } j \geq 0), \text{ where}$$

$$\text{cost}(i) = y^{(i)} \log h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})$$



## 4 Implementation note: Unrolling parameters

### Advanced optimization

```
function [jVal, gradient] = costFunction(theta)
    ...
    optTheta = fminunc(@costFunction, initialTheta, options)
```

$\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$                        $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  (vectors)

Neural Network (L=4):

→  $\Theta^{(1)}, \Theta^{(2)}, \Theta^{(3)}$  - matrices (Theta1, Theta2, Theta3)

→  $D^{(1)}, D^{(2)}, D^{(3)}$  - matrices (D1, D2, D3)

“Unroll” into vectors

### Example

$s_1 = 10, s_2 = 10, s_3 = 1$

→  $\Theta^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 11}, \Theta^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 11}, \Theta^{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 11}$

→  $D^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 11}, D^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 11}, D^{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 11}$

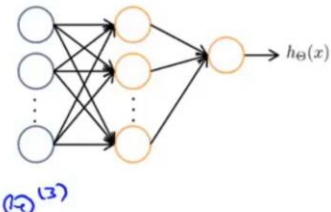
→ thetaVec = [ Theta1(:); Theta2(:); Theta3(:) ];

→ DVec = [ D1(:); D2(:); D3(:) ];

Theta1 = reshape(thetaVec(1:110), 10, 11);

→ Theta2 = reshape(thetaVec(111:220), 10, 11);

→ Theta3 = reshape(thetaVec(221:231), 1, 11);



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>> reshape(thetaVec(111:220), 10, 11)
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>> reshape(thetaVec(221:231), 1, 11)
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## Learning Algorithm

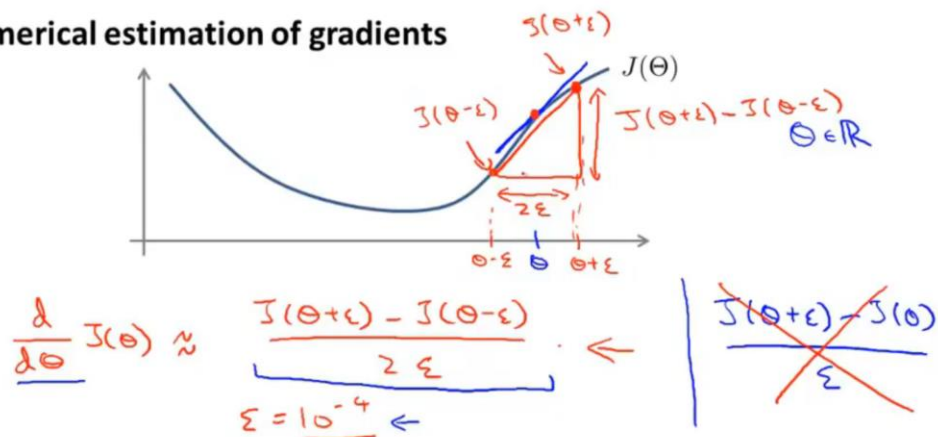
- Have initial parameters  $\Theta^{(1)}, \Theta^{(2)}, \Theta^{(3)}$ .
- Unroll to get `initialTheta` to pass to
- `fminunc(@costFunction, initialTheta, options)`

`function [jval, gradientVec] = costFunction(thetaVec)`

- From `thetaVec`, get  $\Theta^{(1)}, \Theta^{(2)}, \Theta^{(3)}$  *reshape*
- Use forward prop/back prop to compute  $D^{(1)}, D^{(2)}, D^{(3)}$  and  $J(\Theta)$ .  
Unroll  $D^{(1)}, D^{(2)}, D^{(3)}$  to get `gradientVec`.

## 5 Gradient checking

### Numerical estimation of gradients



Implement: `gradApprox = (J(theta + EPSILON) - J(theta - EPSILON)) / (2*EPSILON)`

### Parameter vector $\theta$

- $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (E.g.  $\theta$  is "unrolled" version of  $\Theta^{(1)}, \Theta^{(2)}, \Theta^{(3)}$ )
- $\theta = [\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n]$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1} J(\theta) \approx \frac{J(\theta_1 + \epsilon, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n) - J(\theta_1 - \epsilon, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n)}{2\epsilon}$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_2} J(\theta) \approx \frac{J(\theta_1, \theta_2 + \epsilon, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n) - J(\theta_1, \theta_2 - \epsilon, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n)}{2\epsilon}$
- $\vdots$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_n} J(\theta) \approx \frac{J(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n + \epsilon) - J(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_n - \epsilon)}{2\epsilon}$

```

for i = 1:n, ←
    thetaPlus = theta;
    thetaPlus(i) = thetaPlus(i) + EPSILON;
    thetaMinus = theta;
    thetaMinus(i) = thetaMinus(i) - EPSILON;
    gradApprox(i) = (J(thetaPlus) - J(thetaMinus))
                    / (2*EPSILON);
end;

```

$\begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_i + \epsilon \\ \vdots \\ \theta_n \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \theta_i - \epsilon$

$\frac{2}{2\theta_i} J(\theta)$

Check that gradApprox  $\approx$  DVec ←  
 ↑  
 From backprop.

#### Implementation Note:

- - Implement backprop to compute DVec (unrolled  $D^{(1)}, D^{(2)}, D^{(3)}$ ).
- - Implement numerical gradient check to compute gradApprox.
- - Make sure they give similar values.
- - Turn off gradient checking. Using backprop code for learning.

#### Important:

- - Be sure to disable your gradient checking code before training your classifier. If you run numerical gradient computation on every iteration of gradient descent (or in the inner loop of `costFunction(...)`) your code will be very slow.

## 6 Random initialization

### Initial value of $\Theta$

For gradient descent and advanced optimization method, need initial value for  $\Theta$ .

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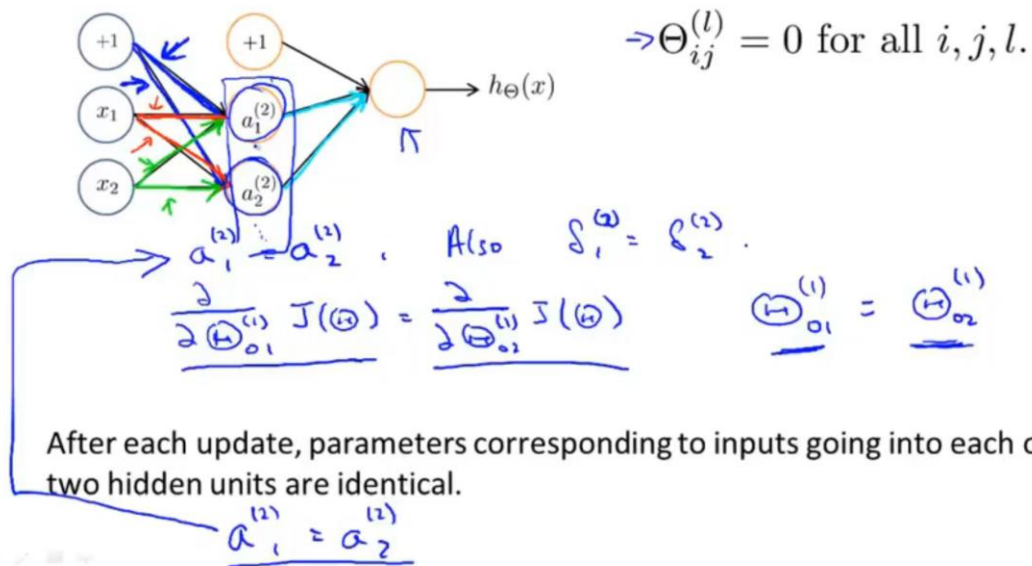
optTheta = fminunc(@costFunction,
                   initialTheta, options)

```

Consider gradient descent

Set initialTheta = zeros(n,1) ?

## Zero initialization



## Random initialization: Symmetry breaking

$\rightarrow$  Initialize each  $\Theta_{ij}^{(l)}$  to a random value in  $[-\epsilon, \epsilon]$   
(i.e.  $-\epsilon \leq \Theta_{ij}^{(l)} \leq \epsilon$ )

E.g.

$\rightarrow$  Theta1 =  $\text{rand}(10, 11) * (2 * \text{INIT\_EPSILON}) - \text{INIT\_EPSILON};$   $[-\epsilon, \epsilon]$

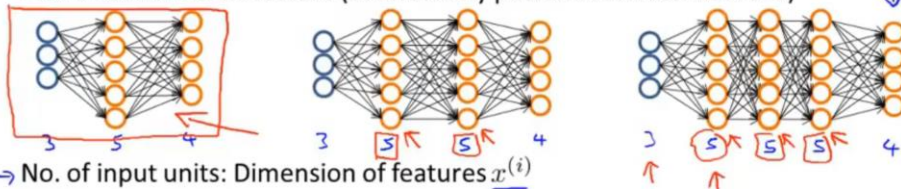
$\rightarrow$  Theta2 =  $\text{rand}(1, 11) * (2 * \text{INIT\_EPSILON}) - \text{INIT\_EPSILON};$

Random 10x11 matrix (betw. 0 and 1)

## 7 Putting it together

### Training a neural network

Pick a network architecture (connectivity pattern between neurons)



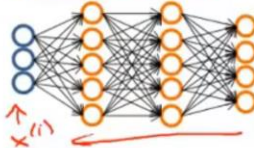
Reasonable default: 1 hidden layer, or if  $>1$  hidden layer, have same no. of hidden units in every layer (usually the more the better)

$y \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 10\}$

$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$



## Training a neural network

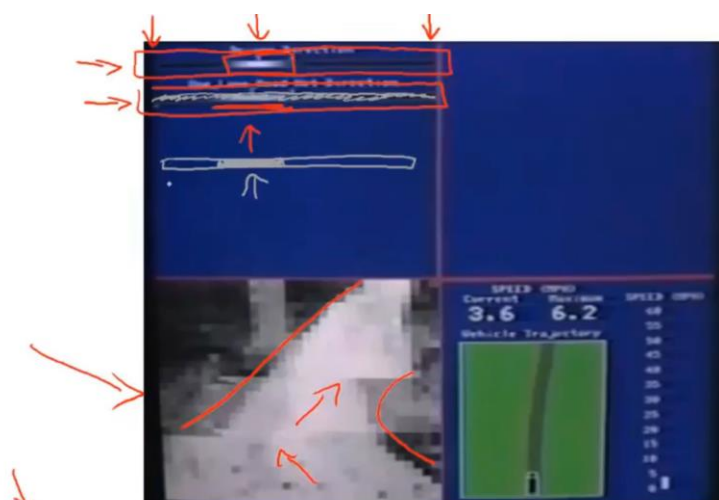
- 1. Randomly initialize weights
  - 2. Implement forward propagation to get  $h_{\Theta}(x^{(i)})$  for any  $x^{(i)}$
  - 3. Implement code to compute cost function  $J(\Theta)$
  - 4. Implement backprop to compute partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{jk}^{(l)}} J(\Theta)$
- for  $i = 1:m$  {  $(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)})$   $(x^{(2)}, y^{(2)})$ , ...,  $(x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$  }
- Perform forward propagation and backpropagation using example  $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$
  - (Get activations  $a^{(l)}$  and delta terms  $\delta^{(l)}$  for  $l = 2, \dots, L$ ).
  - $\Delta^{(2)} := \Delta^{(2)} + \delta^{(n)} (a^{(2)})^T$
  - ... compute  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{jk}^{(2)}} J(\Theta)$ .
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## Training a neural network

- 5. Use gradient checking to compare  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{jk}^{(l)}} J(\Theta)$  computed using backpropagation vs. using numerical estimate of gradient of  $J(\Theta)$ .
  - Then disable gradient checking code.
  - 6. Use gradient descent or advanced optimization method with backpropagation to try to minimize  $J(\Theta)$  as a function of parameters  $\Theta$
- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{jk}^{(2)}} J(\Theta)$
- $J(\Theta)$  — non-convex.

## 8 Autonomous driving example



[Courtesy of Dean Pomerleau]