

DL4J



DEEP LEARNING
FOR ENTERPRISE

Deep Learning - why
now?

Confluence of Algorithms Compute Data

Goals for today:

Enable you

- The ten thousand foot view on “Why dl4j”
- Basics of the api: Some nuts and bolts

Skymind?

We are a distributed team living and working in every major time zone

**WE BUILT
DEEPLARNING4J**

WHY THE JVM?

“We are stuck with technology when what we really want is just stuff that works.”

DOUGLAS ADAMS

The
Economist

Espresso

ENTERPRISE NEEDS

Data Gravity

- We need to process the data in workflows where the data lives • *If you move data you don't have big data*
- Even if the data is not “big” we still want simpler workflows

Integration Issues

- Ingest, ETL, Vectorization, Modeling, Evaluation, and Deployment issues, security etc

The JVM is great at
network I/O and data
access. Also great at
streaming infrastructure.
BUT...

When considering HPC on the JVM

Scientific computing & the JVM

- Vectorization
- Array indexing, 32 bit address space

FULLY native backend

<https://github.com/deeplearning4j/libnd4j>

JAVACPP OpenMP CUDA

JAVACPP

- Auto generate JNI bindings for C++ by parsing classes
- Allows for easy maintenance and deployment of C++ binaries in java
- Write efficient ETL pipelines for images via opencv (javacv)
- 64 bit pointers (wasn't possible before)

ND4J

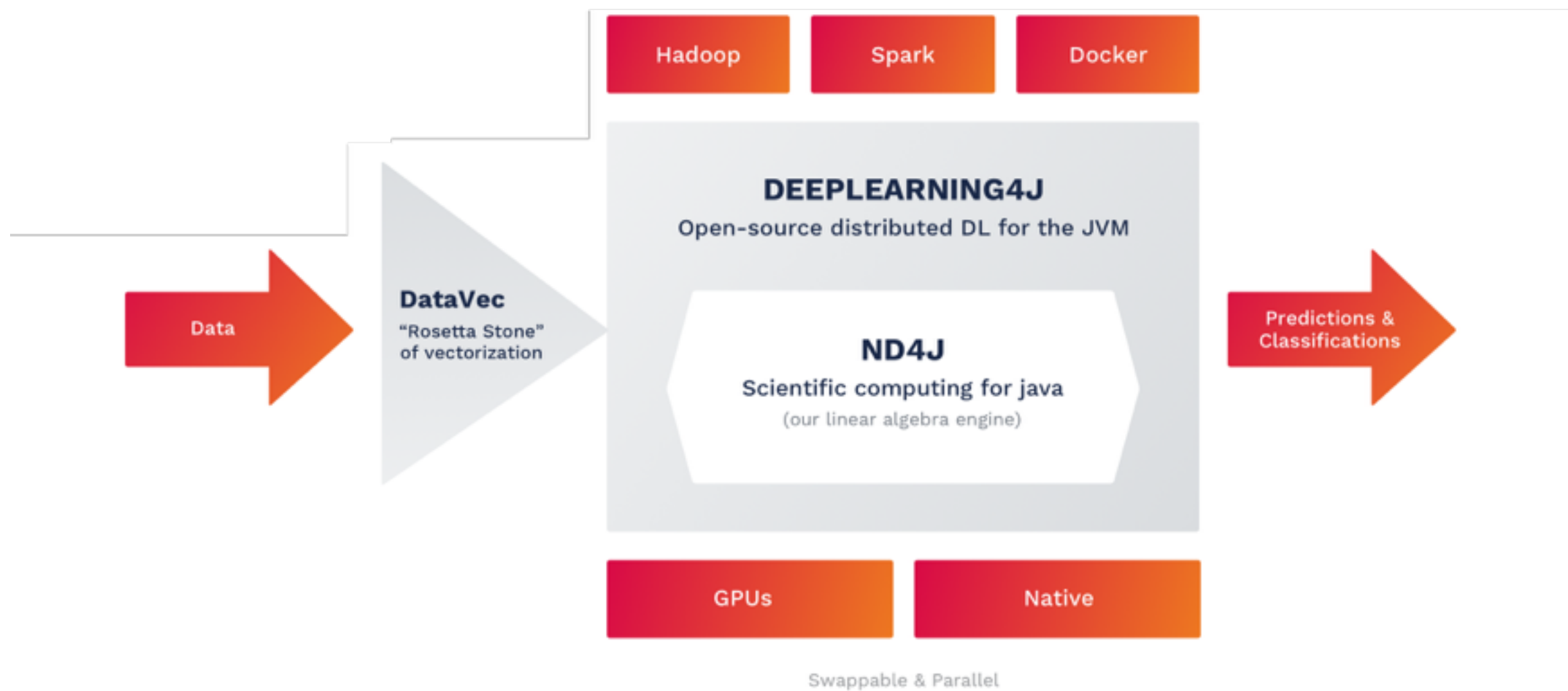
- Heterogenous codebase
- Supports cuda, x86 and Power
- Shared indexing logic for writing ndarray routines
- Memory management in java (even cuda memory!)

BOTTOMLINE:

When in production, what problems are you spending your time on? How do they align with your end goal?

Are you rearranging deck chairs on the titanic...

SCHEMATIC OVERVIEW



From the NeedForSpeed to Distributed Deep Learning

Switching to GPUs

```
<dependency>
```

```
<groupId>org.nd4j</groupId> <artifactId>nd4j-cuda-7.5</artifactId> <version>
```

```
${nd4j.version}</version>
```

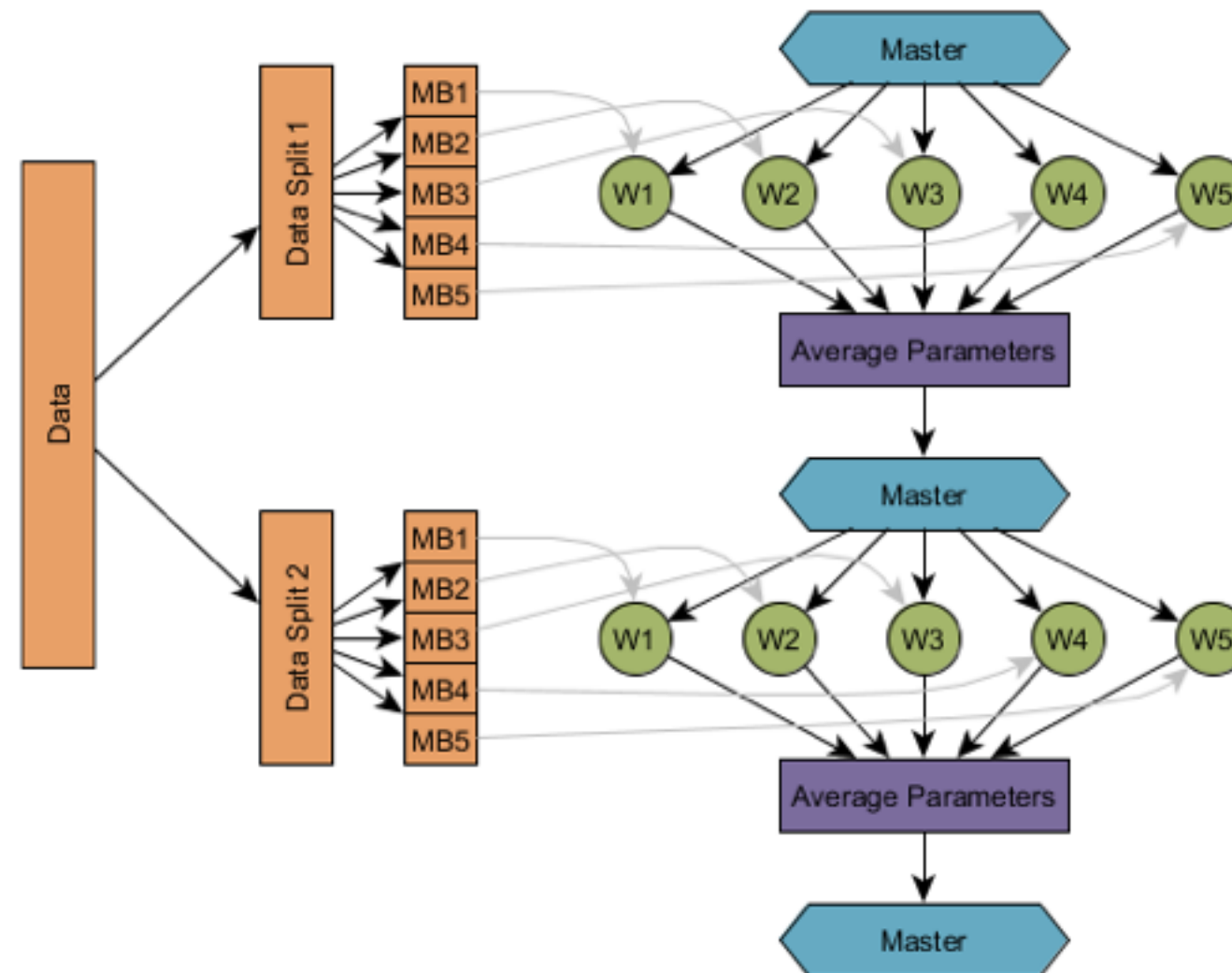
```
</dependency>
```


Onto multi-GPUs

```
ParallelWrapper wrapper =  
    new  
ParallelWrapper.Builder(YourExistingModel)  
    .prefetchBuffer(24)  
    .workers(4)  
    .averagingFrequency(1)  
    .reportScoreAfterAveraging(true)  
    .useLegacyAveraging(false)  
    .build();
```

<http://deeplearning4j.org/gpu>

Deep Learning with Parameter Averaging



<http://engineering.skymind.io/distributed-deep-learning-part-1-an-introduction-to-distributed-training-of-neural-networks>

Onto Spark...

//Create the TrainingMaster instance

```
int examplesPerDataSetObject = 1;  
  
TrainingMaster trainingMaster =  
  
new ParameterAveragingTrainingMaster.  
Builder(examplesPerDataSetObject).  
(other configuration options ).build();
```

//Create the SparkDl4jMultiLayer instance

```
SparkDl4jMultiLayer sparkNetwork = new SparkDl4jMultiLayer(sc, net  
workConfig, trainingMaster);
```

//Fit the network using the training data:

```
sparkNetwork.fit(trainingData);
```

<http://deeplearning4j.org/spark>

Spark with a GPU cluster

Distributed GPUs With Spark...

<http://deeplearning4j.org/spark-gpus>

Tune appropriately and keep gpu memory into consideration

Double performance gains?

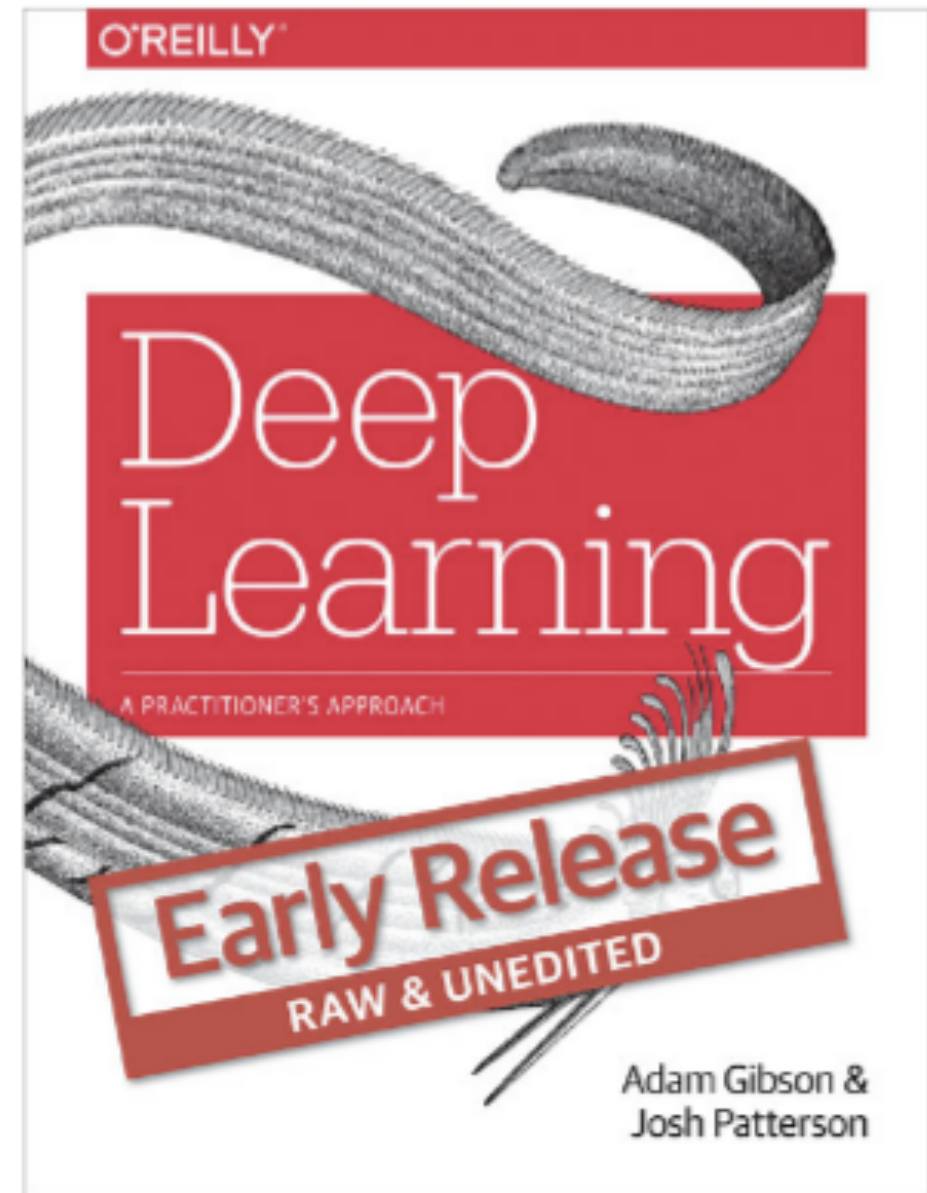
Huge gains on memory-intensive operations
if you are willing to sacrifice some precision

```
DataTypeUtil.setDTypeForContext (DataBuffer.  
Type.HALF) ;
```

DEEP LEARNING: A PRACTITIONER'S APPROACH

From the perspective of the
practitioner -

Written by Skymind's Adam
Gibson and Josh Patterson.



Exercises

QUICK START

[http://deeplearning4j.org/
quickstart](http://deeplearning4j.org/quickstart)

Get support on Gitter.

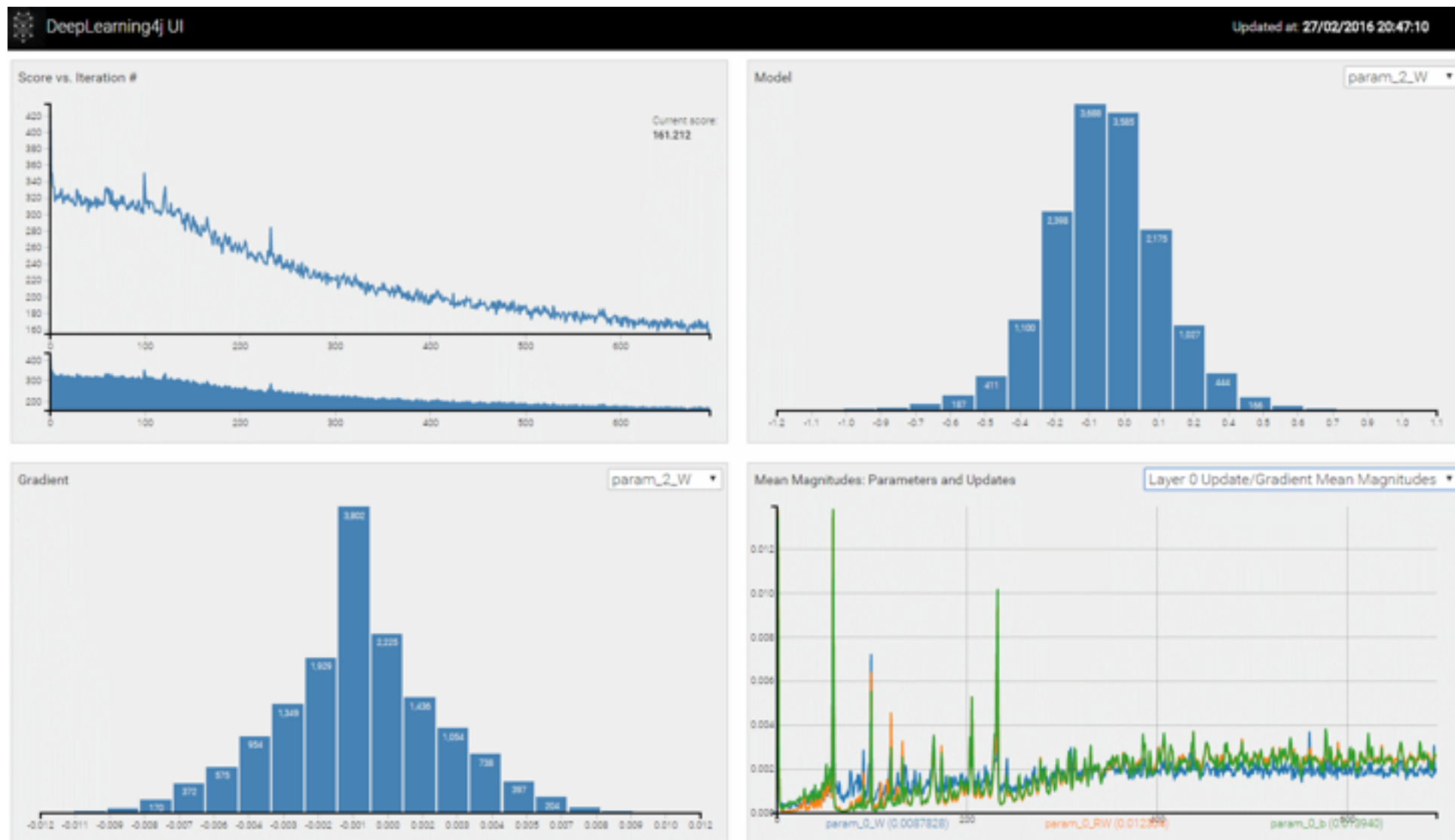
[https://gitter.im/deeplearning4j/
deeplearning4j](https://gitter.im/deeplearning4j/deeplearning4j)

Example Repo

<https://github.com/deeplearning4j/dl4j-examples>

Inside the black
box...

Use the UI



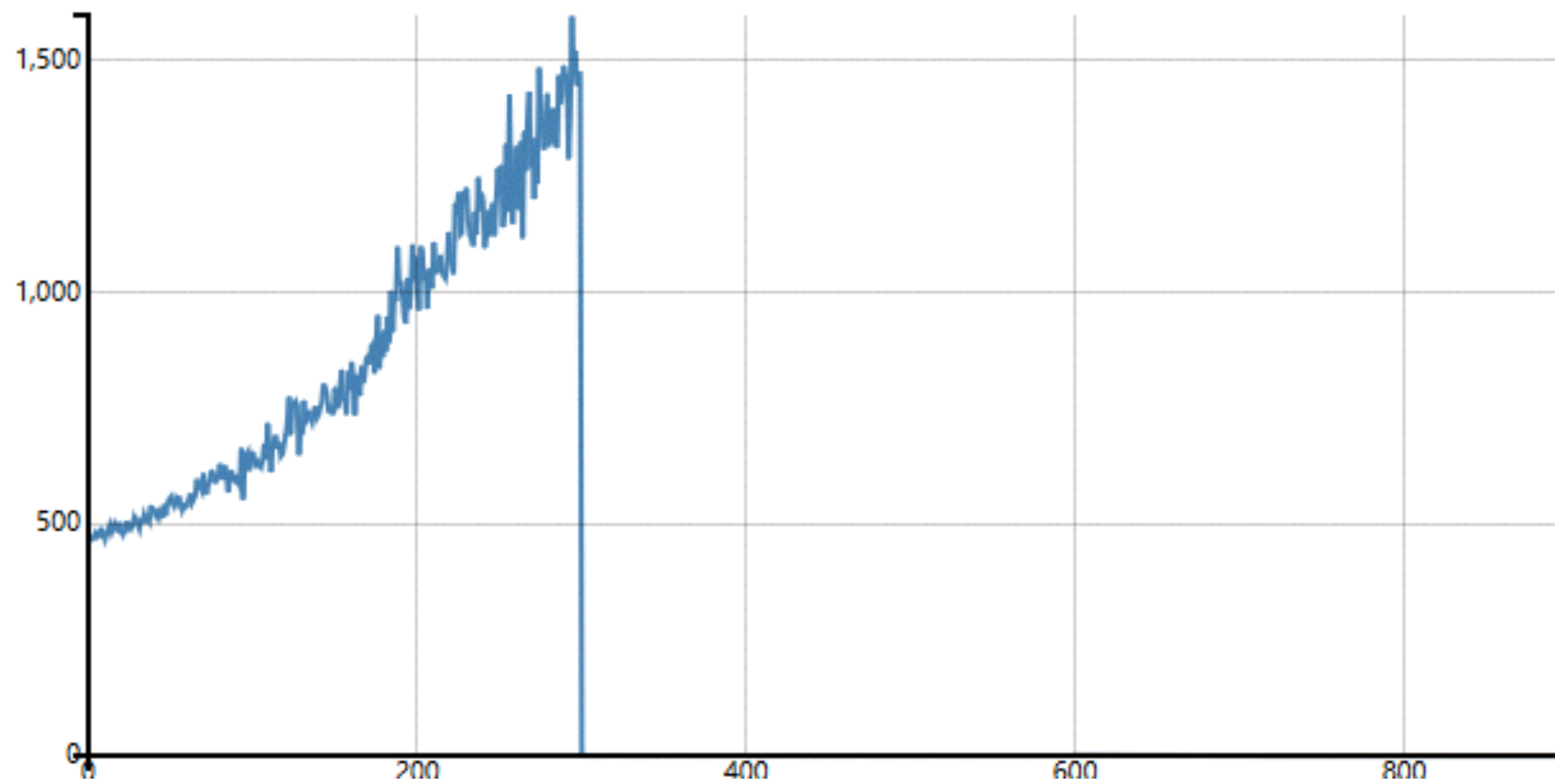
All this and more...

[http://
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visualization](http://deeplearning4j.org/visualization)

What happened
here?

Here?

Scores vs. iteration

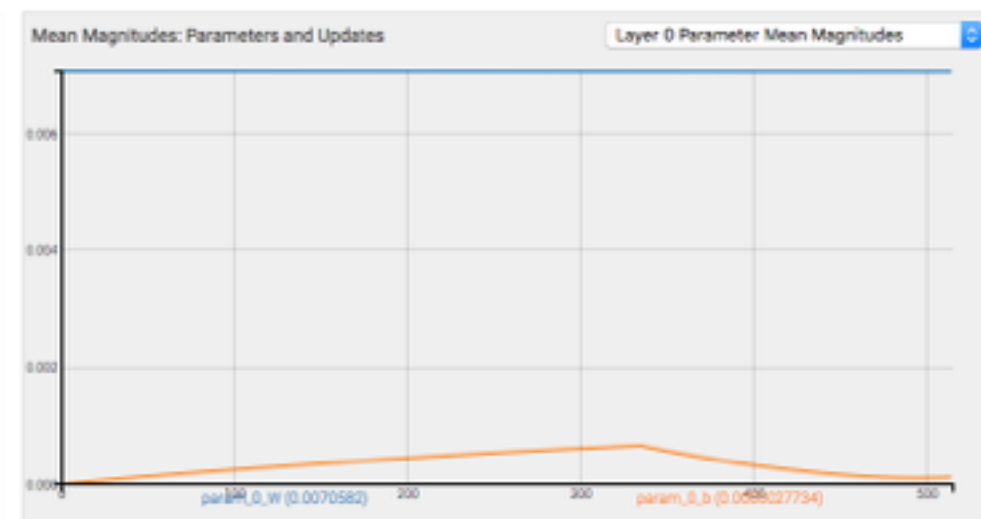
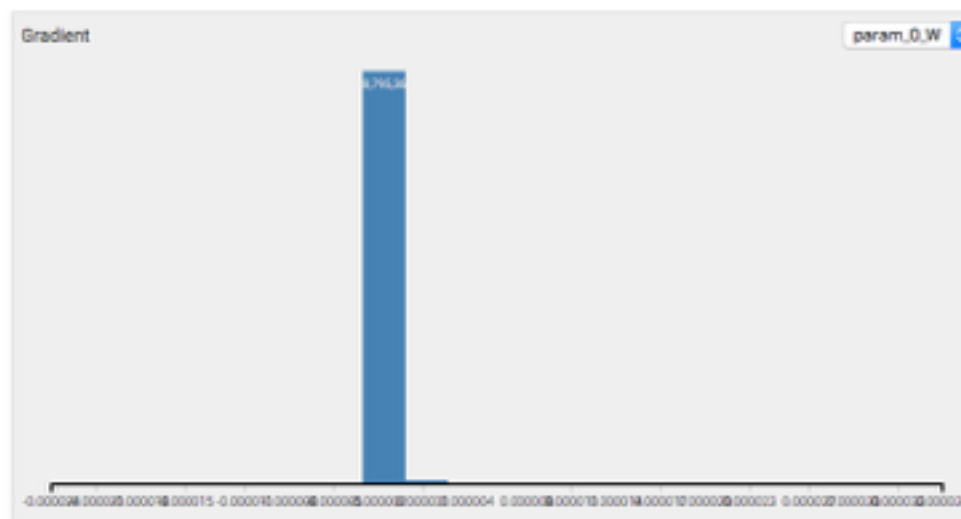
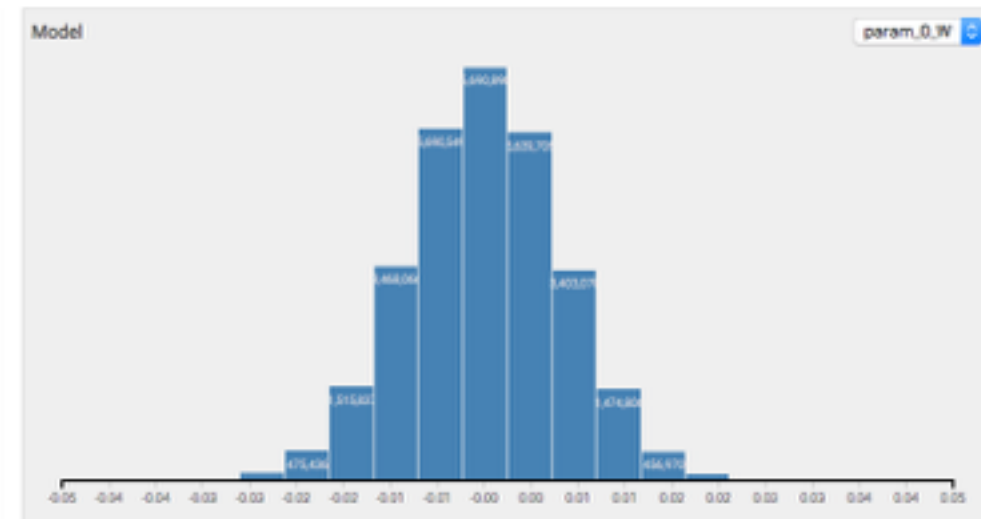
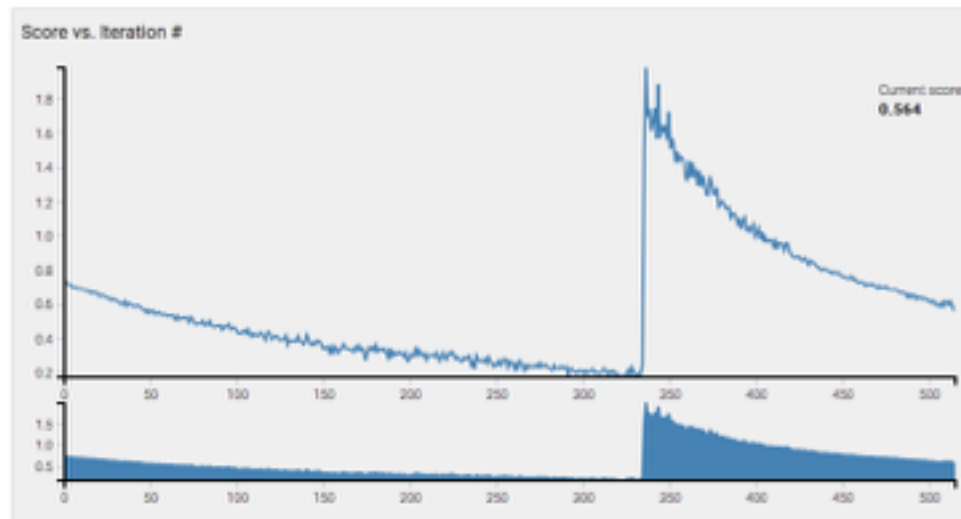


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DeepLearning4j UI

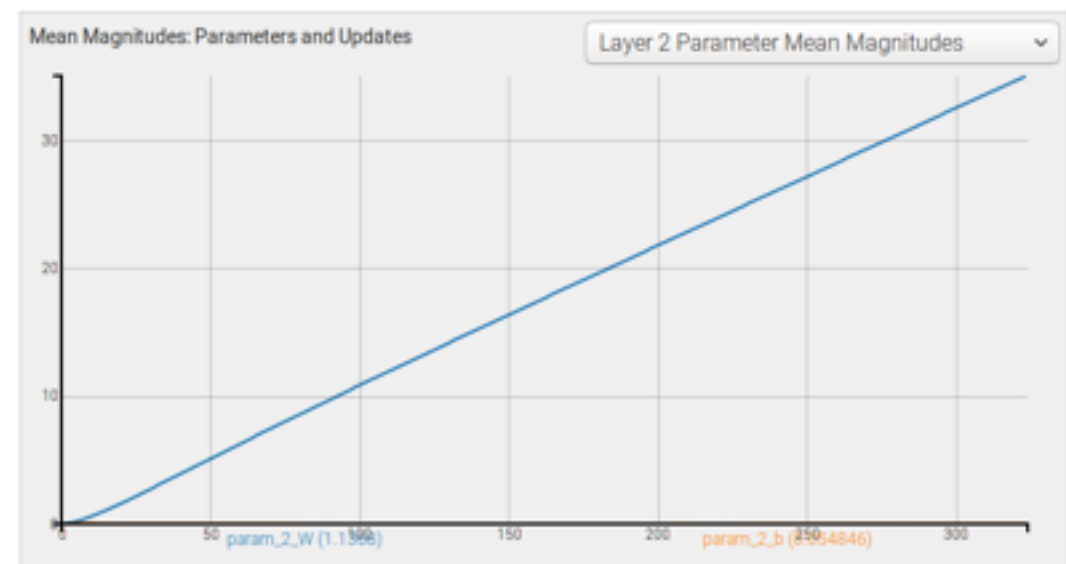
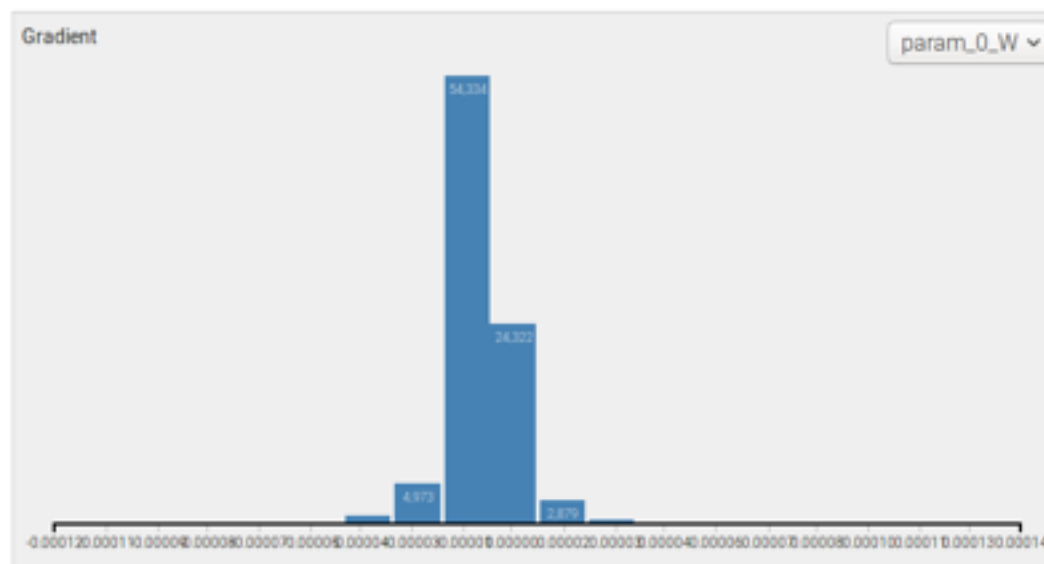
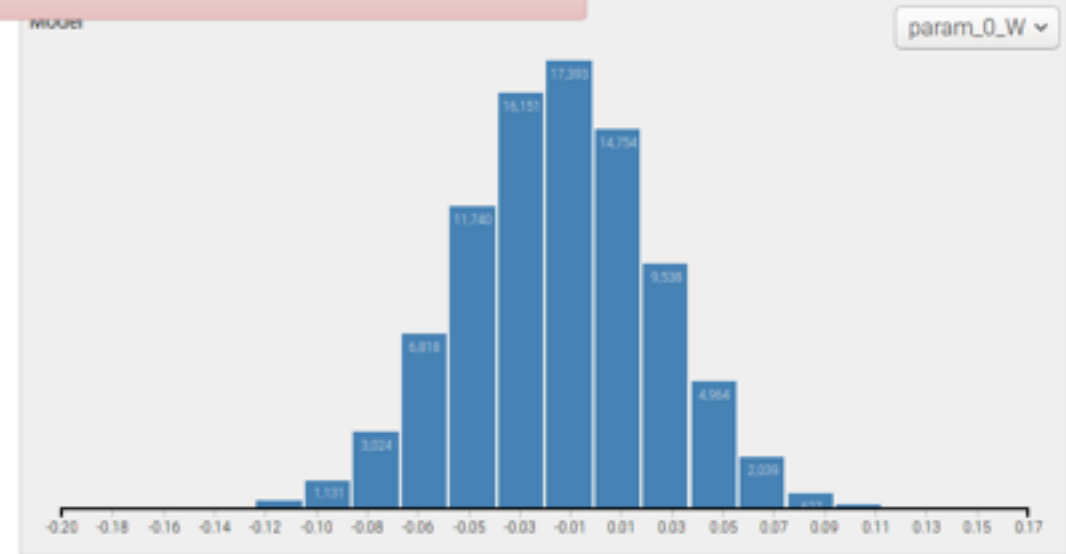
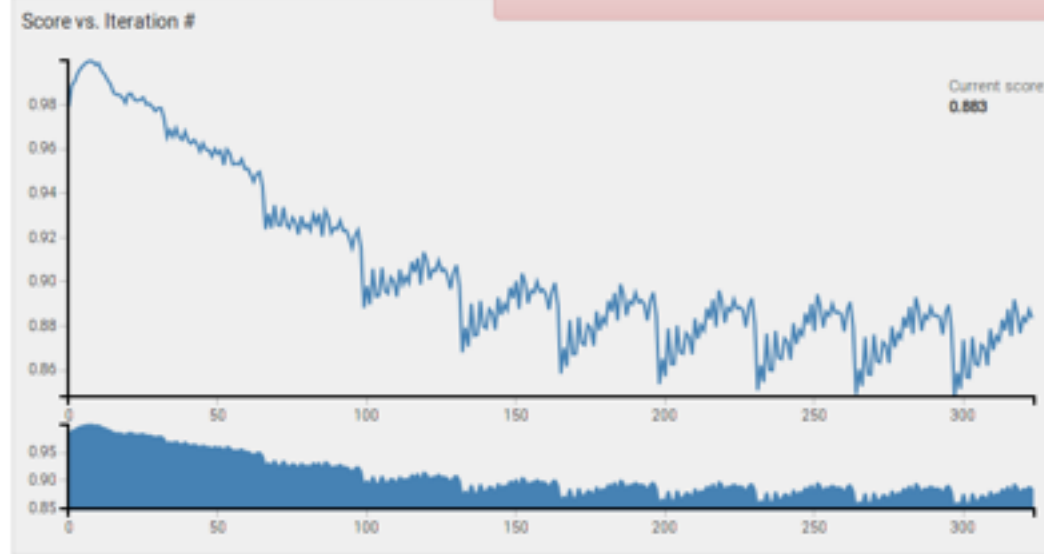
Available sessions:

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Here?

No connection! DeepLearning4j UI Server seems to be down!



I don't understand
why I get nans?!

The saga of the nans

- Not a saga - any numerical software/scientific computing can/will run into this. Default data type is float, could change it to double.
- Most often - **It's a tuning issue.** If it's diverging just keep adjusting your parameters.

Nd4j exercises (take home)

- Main gotcha - The idea of views.
Reference [here](#)

Simple MLP example

- Example for reference [here](#)
- Build your own example - fizz buzz.

CNN example

- Example for reference [here](#), LeNet

RNN example

- Example for reference here, UCI classification

ADDITION as SeqToSeq

73+45=118

37+54=91

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What is the random probability of
getting an addition right?

Example here

BackUp

LET'S TALK TUNING!

Learning Rate,
updaters, batch size,
loss functions,...

Normalize your data!

- continuous values
- discrete classes
- repeat the exact same method for training and test

Weight Initialization

- Xavier weight initialization
- RELU weight initialization

Learning Rate, Epochs, Iterations, Minibatch size

- A learning rate range typical range: 0.1 to $1e-6$
- Multiple epochs and one iteration
- 16 to 128 minibatch, with a max 1k

Activation Functions, Loss Functions

- Regression/Classification: MSE (MAE, MAPE..)/ XENT (KLD..) + softmax
- relu, leakyrelu, identity, tanh, softsign

Remember
overfitting and the
bias/variance trade
off?

Regularization

- l_1 , l_2 regularization. Common values for l_2 regularization are $1e-3$ to $1e-6$.
- Dropout,
- Dropconnect
- Restrict network size
- Early stopping

Updaters, Optimization Algorithms

- Updaters: momentum, RMSProp, adagrad etc
- Optimization Algorithms: SGD with line search, conjugate gradient and LBFGS optimization algorithms

Exploding and Vanishing...

Gradient Normalization

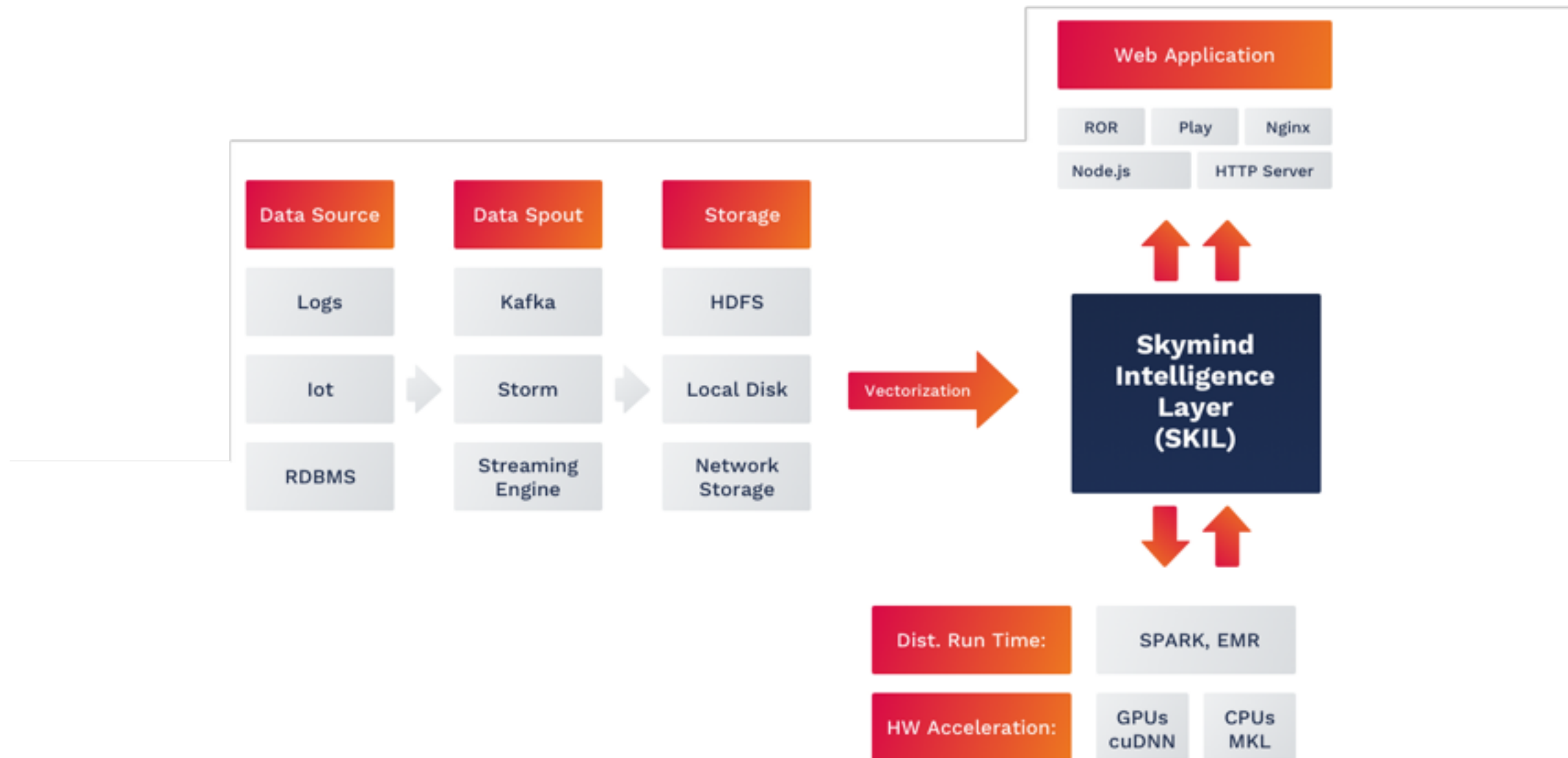
- `gradientNormalization`
- `gradientNormalizationThreshold`

All this and more...

[http://deeplearning4j.org/
troubleshootingneuralnets](http://deeplearning4j.org/troubleshootingneuralnets)

SKYMIND INTELLIGENCE LAYER (SKIL)

Reference Architecture



SKIL-DC/OS



SKIL / DL
DOCKER
DCOS + SPARK
MESOS
MULTI-GPUS



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