

# Weight Initialization

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Happens when a model is created and this randomness affects the model's performance



## 1. Constant weights.

1's  
0's

Extremely high initial loss

Loss doesn't decrease and is constant

Similar problem with back propagation as 0's

Because in back propagation it's difficult to know which weights are contributing the most to the error



Bad

Back propagation can not deal with consistency it fails

## 2. Random Uniform

`np.random.uniform([-3, 3])`



Good

Rule for Best uniform range

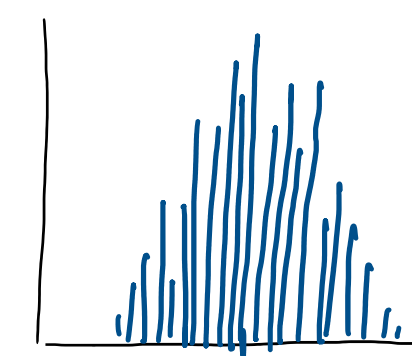
$$[-y, y], \quad y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$n = \#$  of inputs in a neuron

Converges faster!

## 3. Normal Distribution

`np.random.normal(mean, std)`  
0 1  
default



Random values will be closer to 0



Sometimes is better!

## 4. Automatic

pytorch uses  
Random uniform  
weight init.