

Lecture Notes for **Machine Learning in Python**



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Neural Network Optimization and Activation

Class Logistics and Agenda

- Agenda:
 - More optimization techniques
 - Momentum
 - Adaptive learning rates
 - Initialization
 - More activations: Tanh, ReLU, SiLU
 - Programming Examples

Class Overview, by topic

Table Data
Visualization

Numpy, Pandas, Seaborn
Overviews with some in-depth discussion

Dimension
Reduction and
Image Processing

Scikit-learn, Scikit Image,
Intuition only, Some mathematics

Linear and
Logistic
Regression

Numpy, Recreate API for Scikit-learn
Detailed mathematics for simple optimization
intuition for advanced optimization

Neural Networks
and Back Prop.

Numpy
Detailed mathematics for NN operations

Wide and Deep
Networks

Convolutional
Networks

Recurrent
Networks

Keras, Tensorflow
Intuition, Detailed implement.

Ethics in
Language Models

ConceptNet
Case studies

Last Time

07. MLP Neural Networks.ipynb

same as Flipped Assignment!
with regularization
and vectorization
and mini-batching



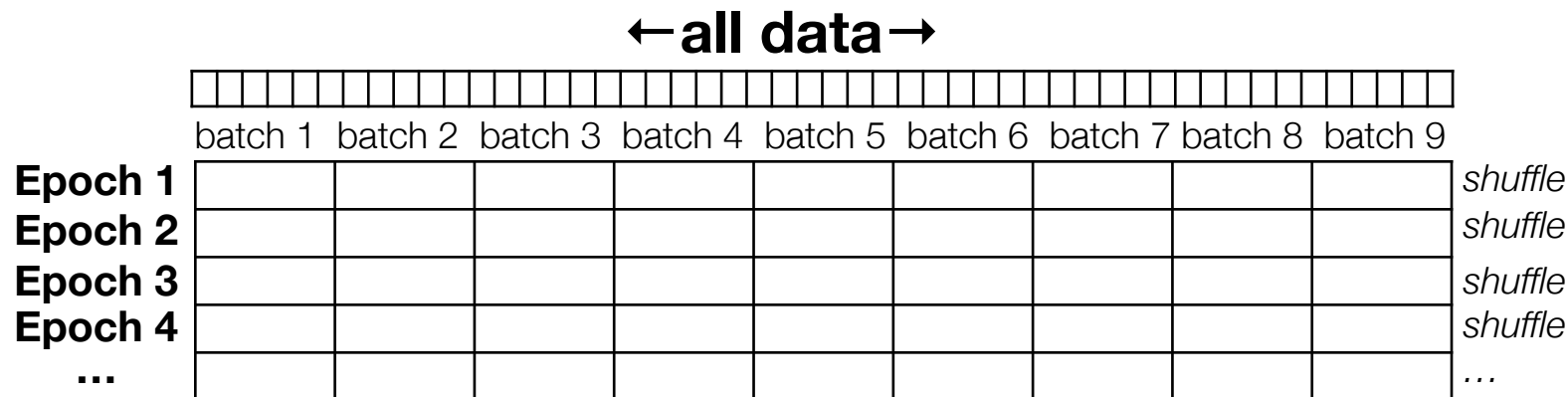
Self test: Should we see examples where:

A. $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{a}_{bias}$ where bias is concatenated, and \mathbf{W} incorporates bias term?

B. $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}$ where we separate out the bias explicitly ?

Mini-batching

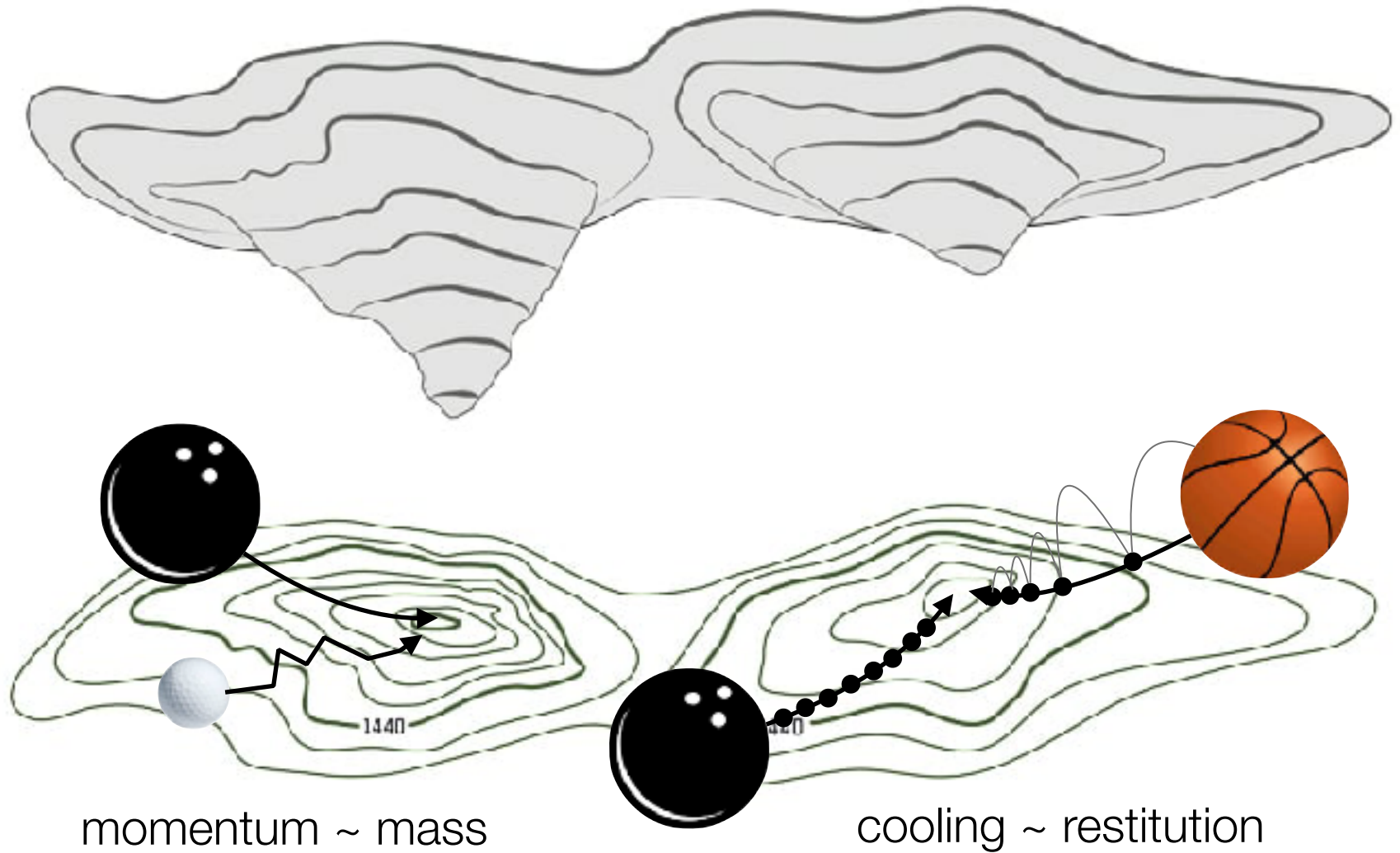
- Numerous instances to find one gradient update
 - **solution:** mini-batch



*shuffle ordering **each epoch** and update W 's after **each batch***

- **new problem:** mini-batch gradient updates can be erratic and there might be many local optima...
 - **solutions:**
 - momentum
 - adaptive learning rate (cooling)

Momentum and Cooling Intuition



Momentum

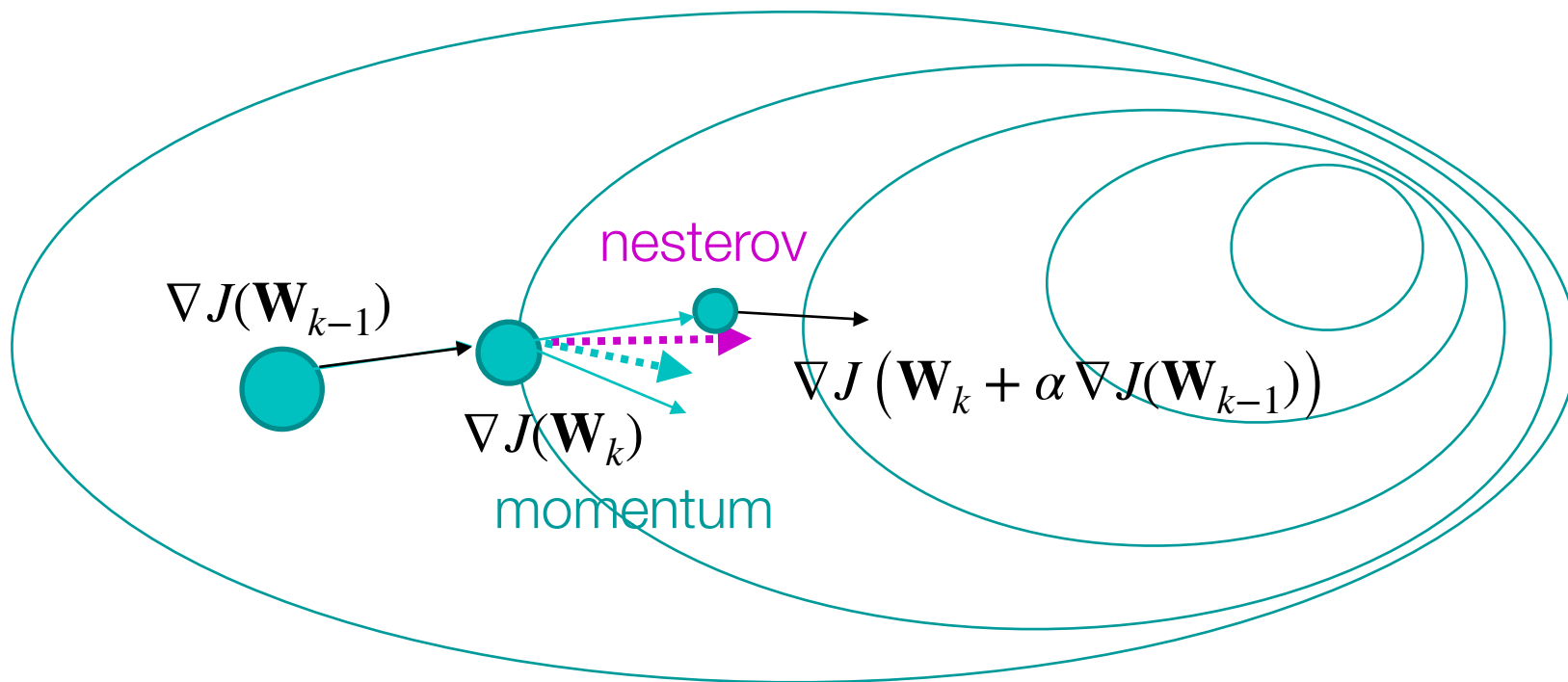
$$\mathbf{W}_{k+1} = \mathbf{W}_k - \rho_k$$

- Momentum

$$\rho_k = \alpha \nabla J(\mathbf{W}_k) + \beta \nabla J(\mathbf{W}_{k-1})$$

- Nesterov's Accelerated Gradient

$$\rho_k = \underbrace{\beta \nabla J(\mathbf{W}_k + \alpha \nabla J(\mathbf{W}_{k-1}))}_{\text{step twice}} + \alpha \nabla J(\mathbf{W}_{k-1})$$



Cooling (Learning Rate Reduction)

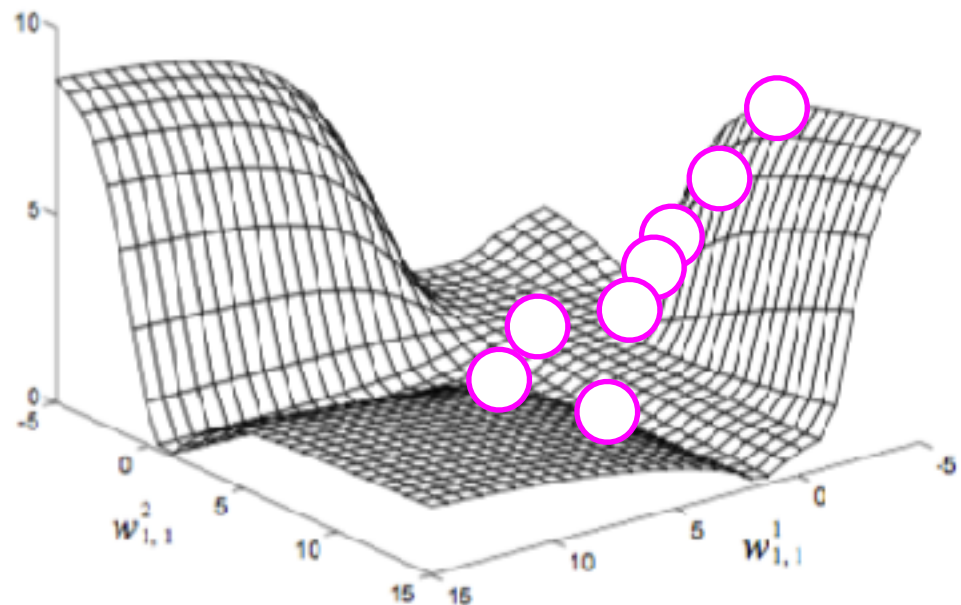
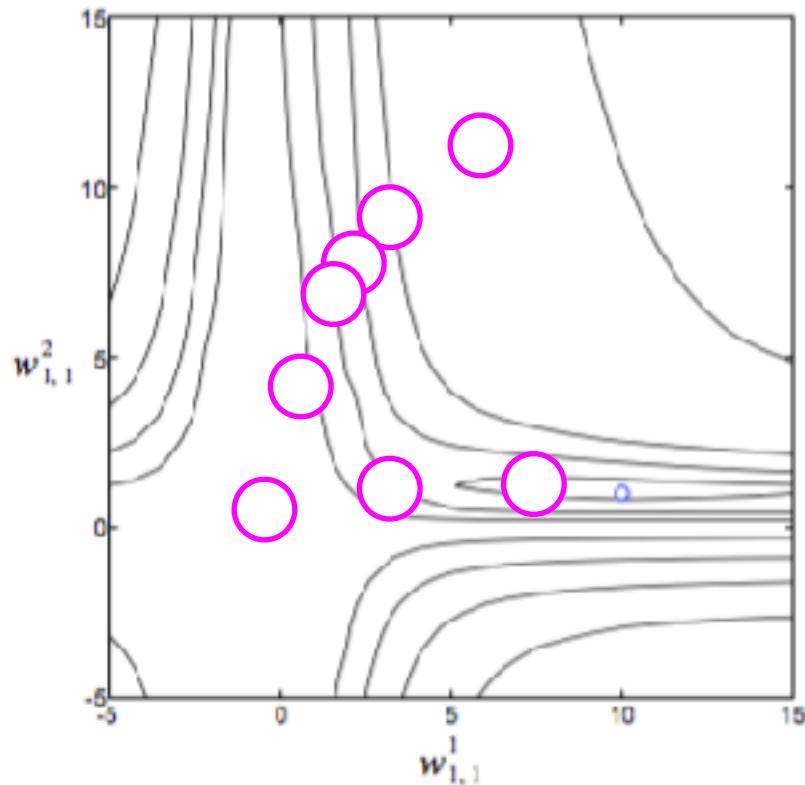
- Fixed Reduction at Each Epoch, k

$$\eta_k = \eta_0 \cdot d^{\lfloor \frac{k_{max}}{k} \rfloor} \quad \text{drop by } d \text{ every } k_d \text{ epochs}$$

- Adjust on Plateau

- make smaller when J rapidly changes
- make bigger when J not changing much

$$\eta_k = \eta_0^{(1+k \cdot d)} \quad \text{drop a little every epoch}$$



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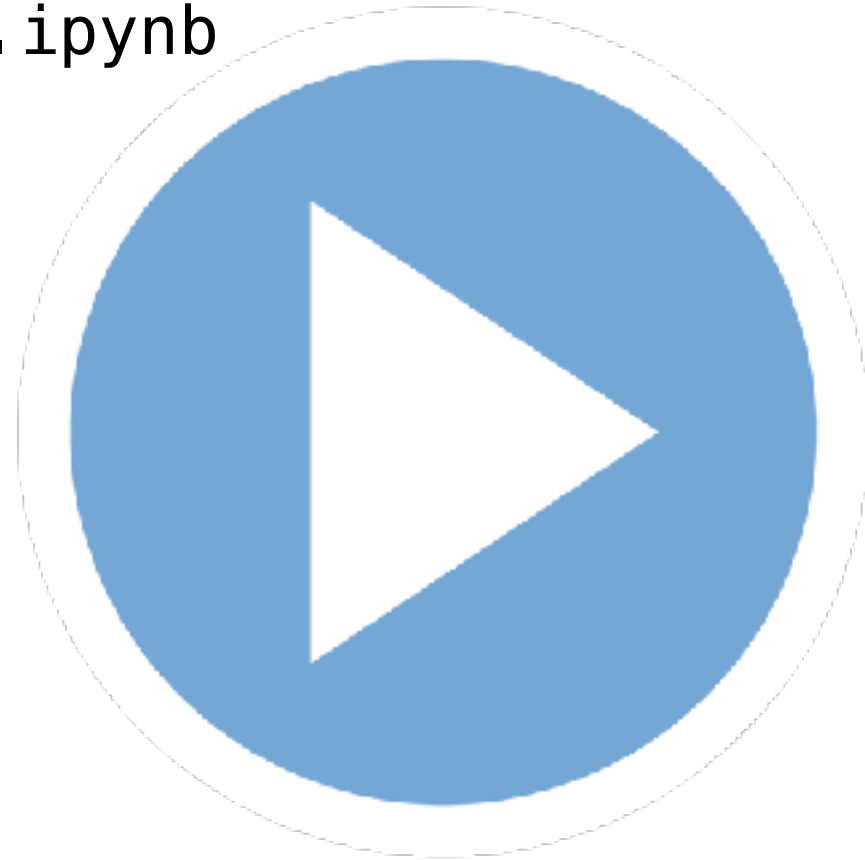
comparison:

mini-batch

momentum

adaptive learning rate

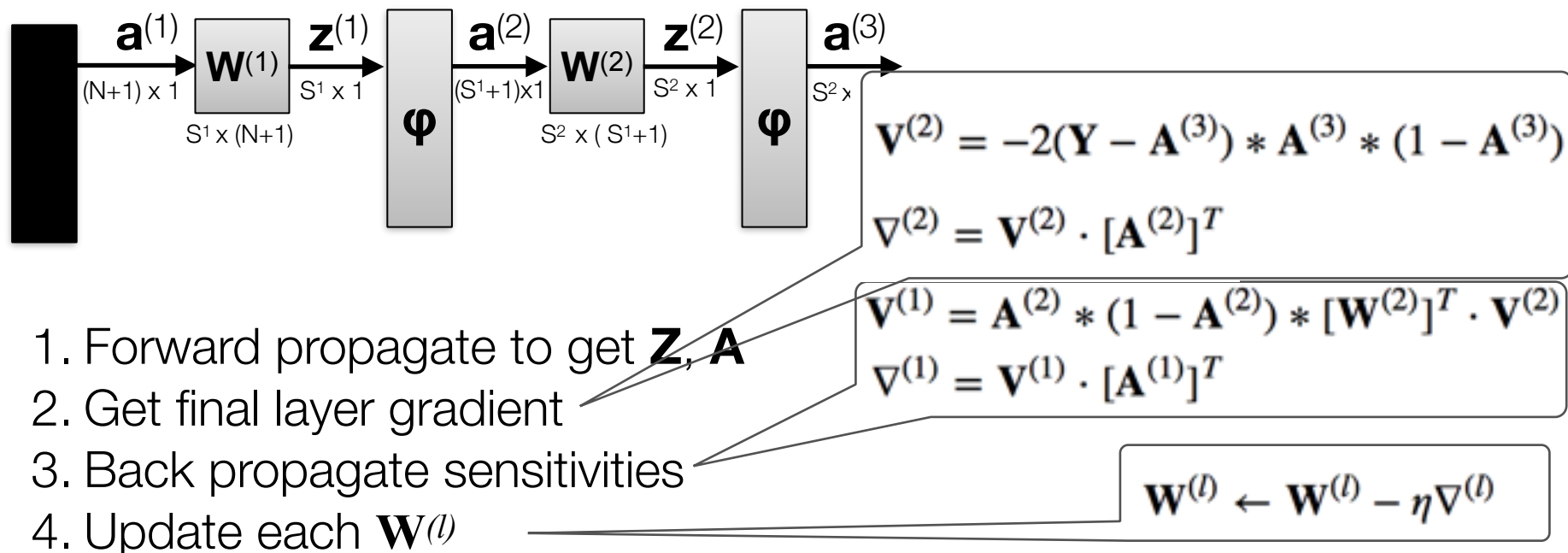
L-BFGS (if time)



Objective Function



Changing the Objective Function



• Self Test:

True or False: If we change the cost function, $J(\mathbf{W})$, we only need to update the final layer sensitivity calculation, $\mathbf{V}^{(2)}$, of the back propagation steps. The remainder of the algorithm is unchanged.

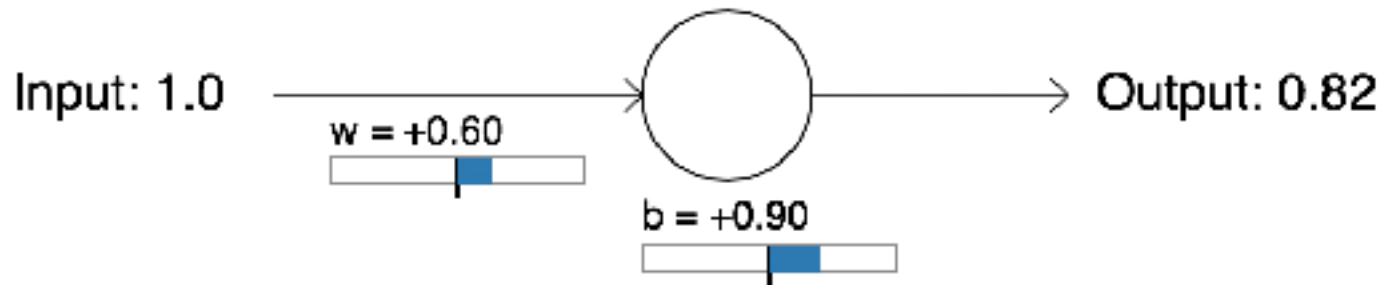
- A. True
- B. False

Practical Implementation of Architectures

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least squares objective,
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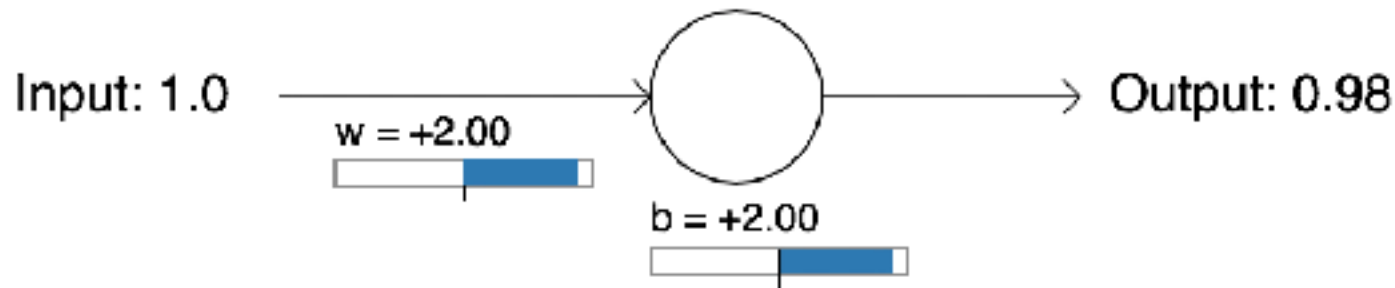
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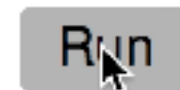
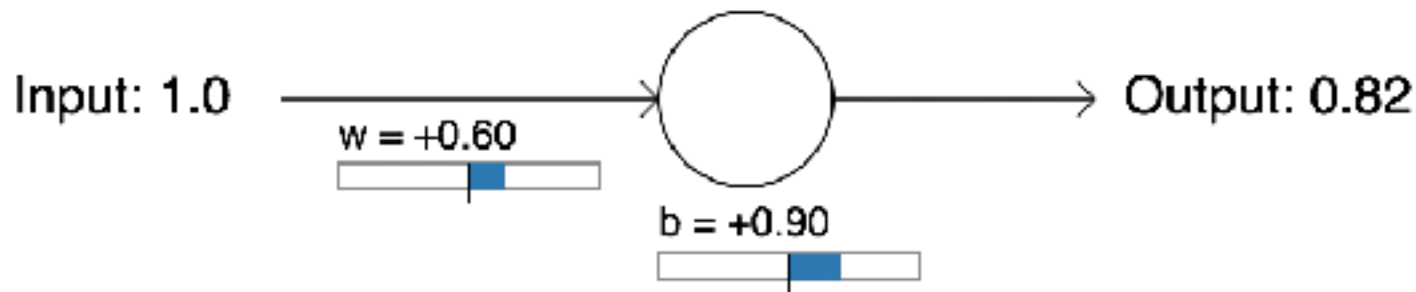
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- Negative of MLE: **Binary Cross entropy**

$$J(\mathbf{W}) = - [\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \ln([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}) + (1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) \ln(1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})]$$

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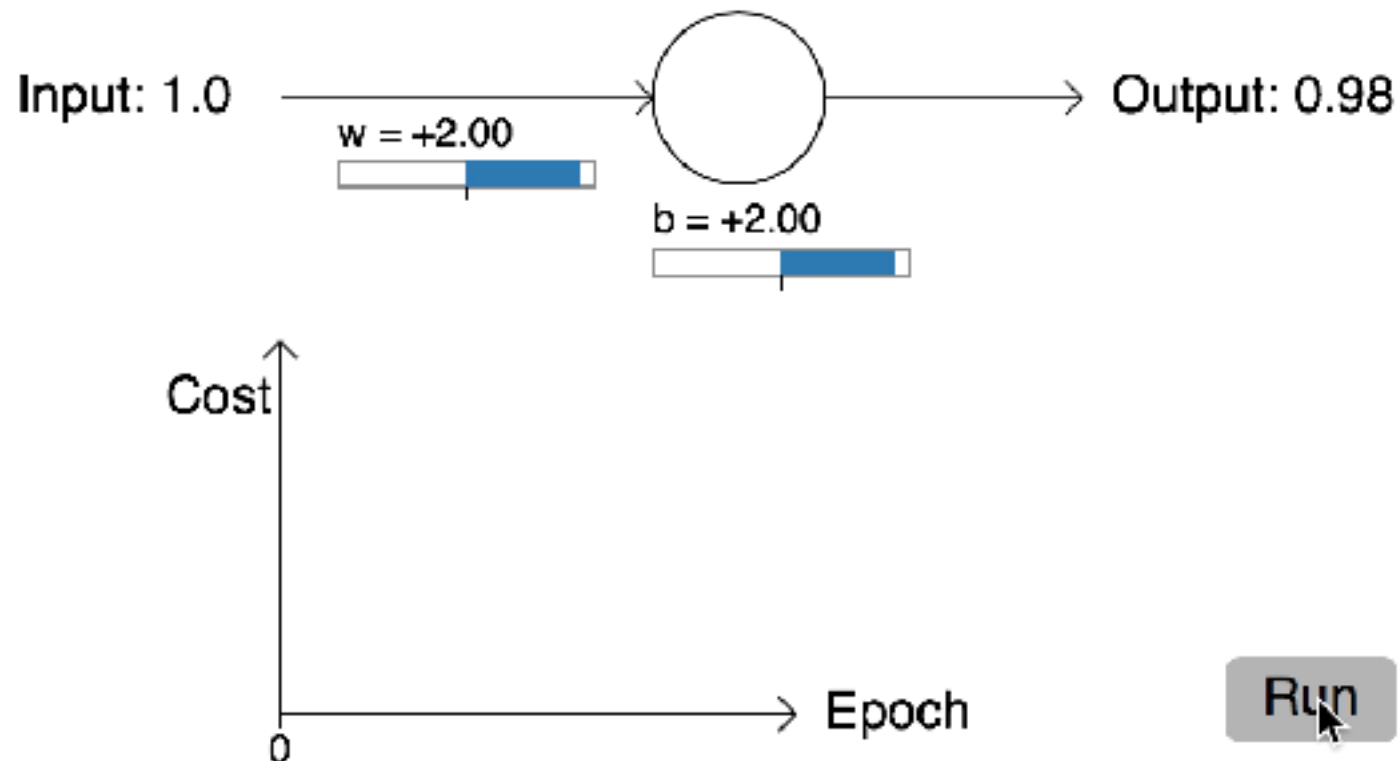


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$$\begin{aligned} \left[\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{W})}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} \right]^{(i)} &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} [\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \ln([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}) + (1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) \ln(1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})] \quad \text{only } \mathbf{a} \text{ has dependence on } \mathbf{z} \\ &= - \left[\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} (\ln([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})) + (1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} (\ln(1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})) \right] \\ &= - \left[\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \frac{1}{[\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} \right) + \frac{(1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)})}{1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}} \left(- \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(L)}} [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} \right) \right] \\ &= - \left[\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \frac{1}{[\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}} ([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} (1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})) - \frac{(1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)})}{1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}} ([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} (1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})) \right] \\ &= - [\mathbf{y}^{(i)} (1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}) - (1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) ([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})] \\ &= - [\mathbf{y}^{(i)} - \mathbf{y}^{(i)} [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} + [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} \mathbf{y}^{(i)}] = [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)} - \mathbf{y}^{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{V}^{(2)} = -2(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) \odot \mathbf{A}^{(3)} \odot (1 - \mathbf{A}^{(3)}) \text{ old update}$$

Practical Implementation of Architectures

- Back to our old friend: **Cross entropy**

$$J(\mathbf{W}) = - [\mathbf{y}^{(i)} \ln([\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)}) + (1 - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}) \ln(1 - [\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}]^{(i)})]$$

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$$\left[\frac{\partial J(\mathbf{W})}{\partial \mathbf{z}^{(2)}} \right]^{(i)} = [\mathbf{a}^{(3)}]^{(i)} - \mathbf{y}^{(i)}$$

two layer network

$\mathbf{A}^{(3)} - \mathbf{Y}$
new update

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# vectorized backpropagation
V2 = (A3-Y_enc) # <- this is only line t
V1 = A2*(1-A2)*(W2.T @ V2)

grad2 = V2 @ A2.T
grad1 = V1[1:,:] @ A1.T
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cross entropy



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SQL programmers be like

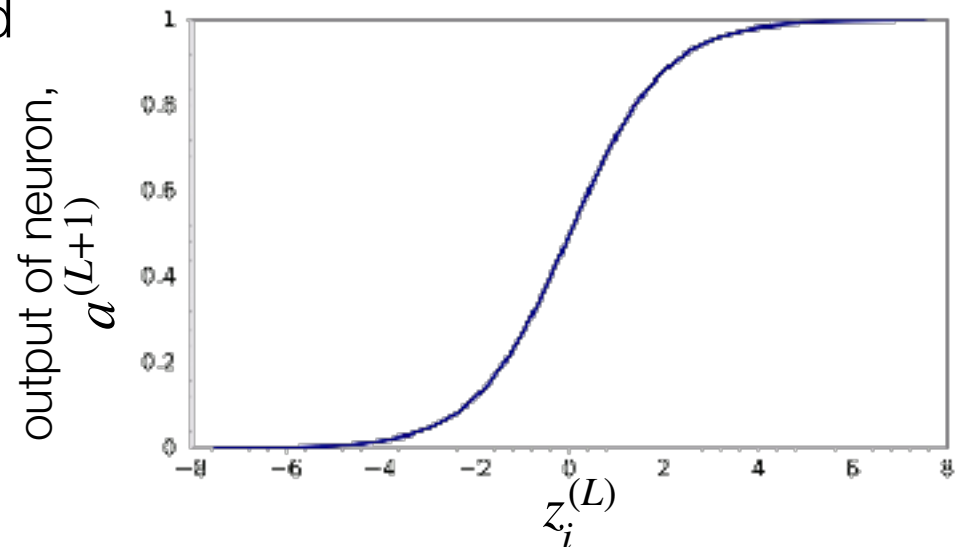


Formative Self Test

- for adding Gaussian random variables, variances add together

$\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)} = \phi(\mathbf{W}^{(L)}\mathbf{a}^{(L)})$ assume each element of \mathbf{a} is Gaussian

- If you initialized the weights, \mathbf{W} , with too large variance, you would expect the output of the neuron, $\mathbf{a}^{(L+1)}$, to be:
 - A. saturated to “1”
 - B. saturated to “0”
 - C. could either be saturated to “0” or “1”
 - D. would not be saturated



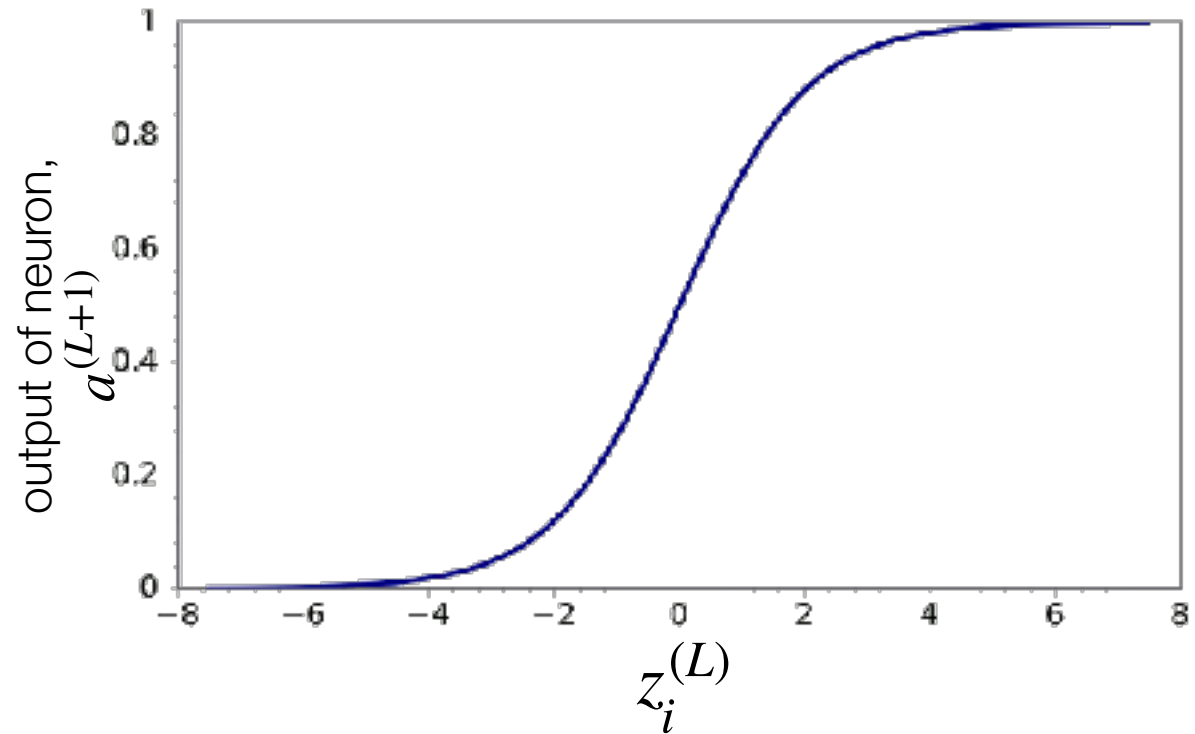
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- What is the derivative of a saturated sigmoid neuron?

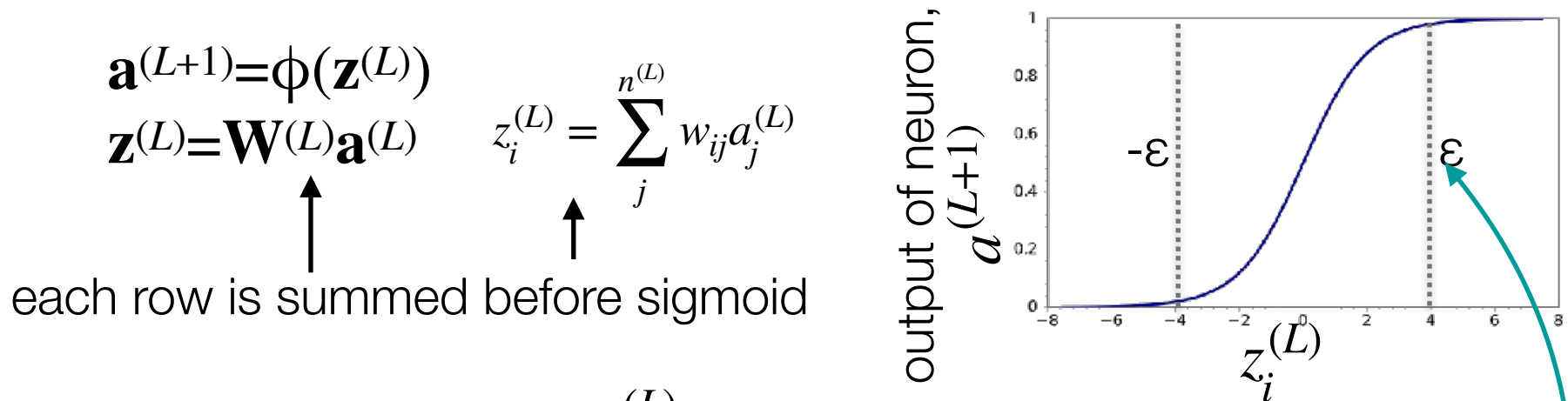
- A. zero
- B. one
- C. $a \times (1 - a)$
- D. it depends



Practical Implementation of Architectures

- **Weight initialization**

- try not to **saturate** your neurons right away!



want each $z_i^{(L)}$ to be between $-\epsilon < z_i^{(L)} < \epsilon$ for no saturation

solution: squash initial weights magnitude

- one choice: each element of \mathbf{W} selected from a Gaussian with **zero mean** and **specific standard deviation**

$$w_{ij}^{(L)} \approx \mathcal{N}\left(0, 4 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^{(L)}}}\right)$$

For a sigmoid if, $-\epsilon < z_i^{(L)} < \epsilon$ where $\epsilon = 4$
then $a^{(L+1)}$ is well distributed $[0, 1]$