

# Optimization Algorithms - Coursera

SGD  
Momentum  
RmsProp  
Adam

} Optimization methods.

→ Use Random minibatches to accelerate the convergence and improve the optimization.

## Batch Gradient Descent vs. Mini Batch Gradient Descent

Suppose records are 500000  
→ 5000 \* 1000 each batches

for each batch  $t=1, \dots, 5000$

{ Forward prop

→ Compute Activation  $f_{\text{ns}}$

(Vectorized implementation on 1000 samples)

Compute cost  $J_n$

$$J^{(t)} = \frac{1}{1000} \sum_{i=1}^1 L(\hat{y}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) + \frac{\lambda}{2 \times 1000} \sum_1 \|w^{(i)}\|_2^2$$

$f_n(x^{(t)}, y^{(t)})$

Back propagation to compute gradients w.r.t  $J^{(t)}$  using  $x^{(t)}, y^{(t)}$

$$w^{(i)} := w^{(i)} - \alpha dw^{(i)}, \quad b^{(i)} := b^{(i)} - \alpha db^{(i)}$$

}

you  
1 pass thru ~~of~~ training set — Doing 1 'epoch' of training.  
(using mini batch gradient descent)

'epoch' → One single pass thru the ~~gradient descent~~ training set

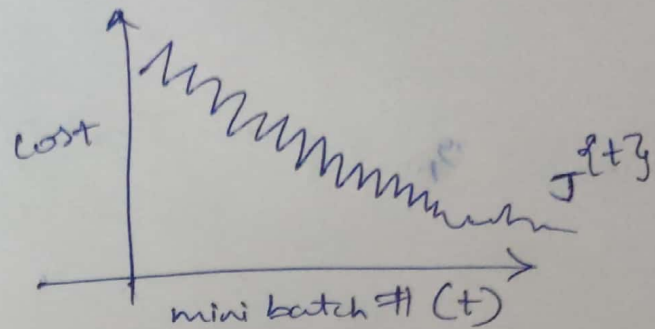
In Batch GD — 1 epoch allows us to take 1 gradient descent step

In mini Batch GD — 1 epoch allows us to take 5000 gradient descent steps.

You might want to have another  $\text{for}$  loop to include ~~many~~ multiple passes. thru the training set. [i.e many epochs]

Batch Gradient Descent.

mini-batch gradient descent.



Training process of both.

Choosing your mini batch size (See snapshot)

Typical mini-batch sizes:

64, 128, 256, ...  $2^n$

Make sure all  $x^{(t)}, y^{(t)}$  fit in CPU/GPU memory.

Exponentially weighted averages.

also called

Exponentially weighted moving averages

Moving average is calculated as,

$$V_0 = 0$$

$$V_1 = 0.9V_0 + 0.1Q_1$$

$$V_2 = 0.9V_1 + 0.1Q_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$V_t = 0.9V_{t-1} + 0.1Q_t$$



$$V_t = \beta V_{t-1} + (1-\beta)Q_t$$

Formula to implement Exponential Avg

Here  $\beta = 0.9$ ,  $V_t$  is approximately average over  $\frac{1}{1-\beta}$  days temp.

So if.

$\beta = 0.9$  :  $\approx 10$  days

$\beta = 0.98$  :  $\approx 50$  days  $\rightarrow$  molesmooth line (since we are averaging on much larger windows)

$\beta = 0.5$  :  $\approx 2$  days  $\rightarrow$  more noise

# Understand Exponentially weighted Averages.

$$V_t = \beta V_{t-1} + (1-\beta) \theta_t$$

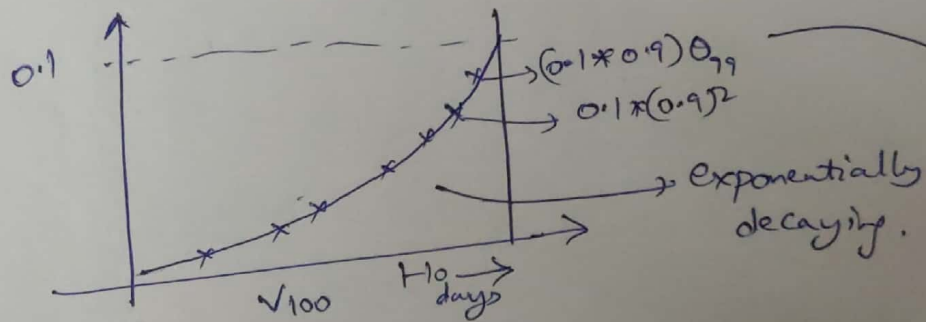
$$V_{100} = 0.9 V_{99} + 0.1 \theta_{100}$$

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⋮

$$V_{100} = 0.1 \theta_{100} + 0.1 * 0.9 \theta_{99} + 0.1 * (0.9)^2 \theta_{98} + 0.1 * (0.9)^3 \theta_{97} + \dots$$

One way to show this in pictures



$0.1, 0.1 * 0.9, 0.1 * (0.9)^2, \dots \rightarrow$  all these add up to 1  
up to a detail called Bias correction.

How many days is this averaging over ??? (refer to previous Page)  
10  $\rightarrow$  its averaging over 10 days (i.e.  $\frac{1}{1-\beta}$ )

$$0.9 \approx 0.35 \approx \frac{1}{e}$$

So it takes 10 days for this height to decay over

$\frac{1}{3}$ rd.

$$(1-e)^{1/e} = \frac{1}{e}$$



## Bias Collection in exponentially weighted averages.



$$N_t = \beta V_{t-1} + (1-\beta) \theta_t$$

$$V_0 = 0$$

$$V_1 = 0.98 V_0 + 0.02 \theta_1$$

$$V_1 = 0.02 \theta_1$$

$$V_2 = 0.98 (0.02 \theta_1) + 0.02 \theta_2 \quad \left. \vphantom{V_2 = 0.98 (0.02 \theta_1) + 0.02 \theta_2} \right\} \text{very slow start to the weighted averages.}$$

to counter this, use  $\frac{V_t}{1-\beta^t}$  as  $V_t$

for example  $t=2$ ;

$$\frac{V_2}{1-(0.98)^2} = \frac{0.0196 \theta_1 + 0.02 \theta_2}{0.0396}$$

This will give it a better start.

## Gradient descent with Momentum.

The basic idea is to compute an exponentially weighted average of your gradients and use that gradient to update your weights instead.



↑ Slower learning

← Faster Learning.



→ ball rolling down a bowl.

## Implementation details.

On iteration  $t$ :

(prevents from speeding up) Compute  $dW, db$  on the current mini-batch.

friction ←  $V_{dw} = \beta V_{dw} + (1 - \beta) dW$  → acceleration

velocity ←  $V_{db} = \beta V_{db} + (1 - \beta) db$

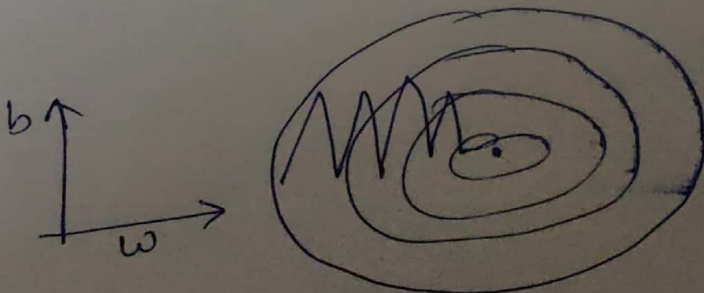
$W = W - \alpha V_{dw}, b = b - \alpha V_{db}$

Hyperparameters:  $\alpha, \beta$ ,  $\beta = 0.9$   
Common value we use

i.e Average over the last 10<sup>th</sup> gradients  
(~~iterations~~)

## RMSProp

Root Mean Square Prop.



↑ Slow  
↓ b

← w → fast

On iteration  $t$ :

Compute  $d_w, d_b$  on current mini-batch

$$S_{dw} = \beta S_{dw} + (1-\beta) d_w^2$$

element-wise Squaring operation  
→ small

$$S_{db} = \beta S_{db} + (1-\beta) d_b^2$$

→ large

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{d_w}{\sqrt{S_{dw}}}$$

Updates to in horizontal direction is large.

$$b := b - \alpha \frac{d_b}{\sqrt{S_{db}}}$$

So Updates in vertical direction is small

→ This is keeping an exponentially weighted average of the square of the derivatives.

### Adam Optimization Algorithm.

↳ Momentum + RMSProp

While implementing Adam, we will need to add bias correction.  
for  $v_{dw}, v_{db}, S_{dw}, S_{db}$ .

finally,

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{v_{dw}^{\text{corrected}}}{\sqrt{S_{dw}^{\text{corrected}} + \epsilon}}$$
$$b := b - \alpha \frac{v_{db}^{\text{corrected}}}{\sqrt{S_{db}^{\text{corrected}} + \epsilon}}$$

### Hyper parameters

$\alpha$ : needs to be tuned

$\beta_1$ :  $0.9 \rightarrow d_w$

$\beta_2$ :  $0.99 \rightarrow d_b$

$\epsilon$ :  $10^{-8}$

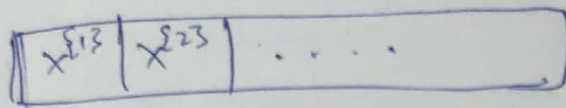
Use these default values

[Adam - Adaptive moment Estimation]



## Learning Rate decay

↳ To slowly reduce learning rate over time.



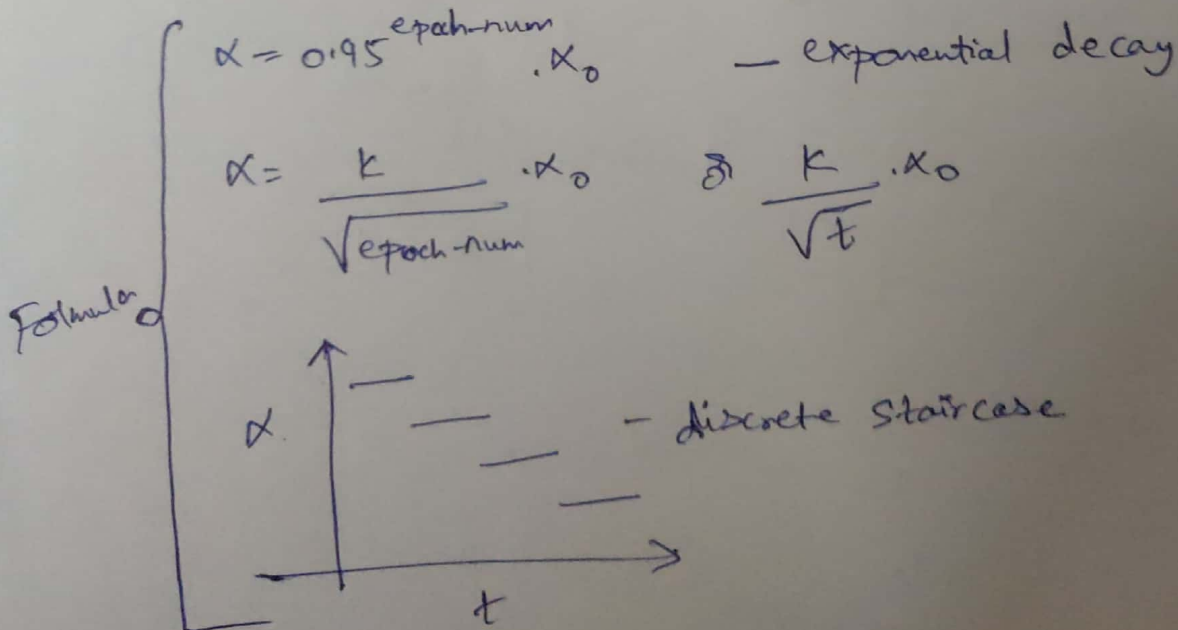
$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1 + \text{decay rate} * \text{epoch\_num}} \alpha_0$$

Decay rate is another hyperparameter to tune.

Epoch	$\alpha$
1	0.01
2	0.067
3	0.05
4	0.04

$\alpha_0 = 0.2$   
decay.rate = 1

↓  
(Decays)



manual decay { watch your model as its training and ~~and~~ if learning rate has slowed ~~down~~ down, manually increase  $\alpha$ .