# Fine-tuning keras models

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# 1 Understanding model optimization

## 1. Why is optimization hard?

- Simultaneously optimize 1000's of parameters with complex relationships.
- Updates may not improve the model meaningfully.
- Updates will be too small (if the learning rate is low) or too large (if the learning rate is high).

#### 2. Code of stochastic gradient descent:

```
data = pd.read_csv('ref1. Basketball shot log.csv')
data = data_preparation(data)

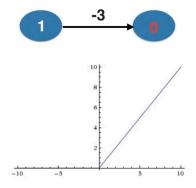
predictors = data.drop(['shot_result'], axis=1).to_numpy()
n_cols = predictors.shape[1]
target = to_categorical(data.shot_result)
input_shape = (n_cols, )
```

```
[2]: def get_new_model(input_shape=input_shape):
    model = Sequential()
    model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
    model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu'))
    model.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
    return (model)

lr_to_test = [.000001, 0.01, 1]

# loop over learning rates
for lr in lr_to_test:
    model = get_new_model()
    my_optimizer = SGD(lr=lr)
    model.compile(optimizer=my_optimizer, loss='categorical_crossentropy')
    model.fit(predictors, target)
```

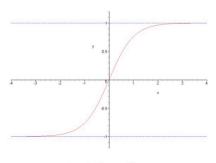
#### 3. What is the dying neuron problem?



### 4. What is the vanishing gradient problem?

- This occurs when many layers have very small slopes.
  - e.g., due to being on at part of the hyperbolic tangent (tanh) curve

• In deep networks, updates to backpropagation were close to 0.



tanh function

#### 5. Practice question for diagnosing optimization problems:

- Which of the following could prevent a model from showing an improved loss in its first few epochs?
  - $\square$  Learning rate too low.
  - $\square$  Learning rate too high.
  - $\square$  Poor choice of the activation function.
  - $\boxtimes$  All of the above.

#### 6. Practice exercises for understanding model optimization:

## ▶ Package pre-loading:

```
[3]: import pandas as pd
from keras.layers import Dense
from keras.models import Sequential
from keras.utils import to_categorical
```

#### ▶ Data pre-loading:

```
[4]: df = pd.read_csv('ref4. Titanic.csv')

df.replace(False, 0, inplace=True)

df.replace(True, 1, inplace=True)

predictors = df.drop(['survived'], axis=1).to_numpy()
n_cols = predictors.shape[1]
target = to_categorical(df.survived)
input_shape = (n_cols, )
```

## ► Code pre-loading:

```
[5]: def get_new_model(input_shape=input_shape):
    model = Sequential()
```

```
model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu'))
model.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
return (model)
```

#### ▶ Changing optimization parameters practice:

```
[6]: # Import the SGD optimizer
from keras.optimizers import SGD

# Create list of learning rates: lr_to_test
lr_to_test = [.000001, 0.01, 1]

# Loop over learning rates
for lr in lr_to_test:
    print('\n\nTesting model with learning rate: %f\n' % lr)

# Build new model to test, unaffected by previous models
model = get_new_model()

# Create SGD optimizer with specified learning rate: my_optimizer
my_optimizer = SGD(lr=lr)

# Compile the model
model.compile(optimizer=my_optimizer, loss='categorical_crossentropy')

# Fit the model
model.fit(predictors, target)
```

## 2 Model validation

#### 1. Why is it important to choose validation in deep learning?

- Repeated training from cross-validation would take a long time, so it is common to use validation split rather than cross-validation.
- Deep learning is widely used in large datasets because the single validation score is based on a large amount of data and is reliable.

#### 2. Code of model validation:

```
[7]: import pandas as pd
     from keras.layers import Dense
     from keras.models import Sequential
     from keras.utils.np_utils import to_categorical
     def data_preparation(df):
         df = df.reindex(columns=[
             'SHOT_CLOCK', 'DRIBBLES', 'TOUCH_TIME', 'SHOT_DIST', 'CLOSE_DEF_DIST',
             'SHOT RESULT'
         ])
         df['SHOT_CLOCK'] = df['SHOT_CLOCK'].fillna(0)
         df['SHOT_RESULT'].replace('missed', 0, inplace=True)
         df['SHOT_RESULT'].replace('made', 1, inplace=True)
         df.columns = df.columns.str.lower()
         return df
     data = pd.read_csv('ref1. Basketball shot log.csv')
     data = data_preparation(data)
     predictors = data.drop(['shot result'], axis=1).to numpy()
     n cols = predictors.shape[1]
     target = to_categorical(data.shot_result)
     input_shape = (n_cols, )
     def get_new_model(input_shape=input_shape):
         model = Sequential()
         model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
         model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu'))
         model.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
         return (model)
     model = get_new_model()
```

[8]: <tensorflow.python.keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f7f10fc5810>

3. Code of early stopping:

```
Epoch 1/20
accuracy: 0.6190 - val_loss: 0.6514 - val_accuracy: 0.6188
Epoch 2/20
2802/2802 [============ ] - 8s 3ms/step - loss: 0.6519 -
accuracy: 0.6190 - val_loss: 0.6511 - val_accuracy: 0.6167
Epoch 3/20
2802/2802 [============ ] - 8s 3ms/step - loss: 0.6512 -
accuracy: 0.6199 - val_loss: 0.6515 - val_accuracy: 0.6183
Epoch 4/20
2802/2802 [============ ] - 8s 3ms/step - loss: 0.6506 -
accuracy: 0.6191 - val_loss: 0.6499 - val_accuracy: 0.6190
Epoch 5/20
2802/2802 [============ ] - 10s 4ms/step - loss: 0.6503 -
accuracy: 0.6195 - val_loss: 0.6495 - val_accuracy: 0.6183
Epoch 6/20
accuracy: 0.6207 - val_loss: 0.6497 - val_accuracy: 0.6183
Epoch 7/20
2802/2802 [============= ] - 9s 3ms/step - loss: 0.6492 -
accuracy: 0.6212 - val_loss: 0.6499 - val_accuracy: 0.6193
```

[9]: <tensorflow.python.keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f7efc46a250>

#### 4. What kind of experimentations could be included in deep learning?

• Experiment with different architectures.

- More layers.
- Fewer layers.
- Layers with more nodes.
- Layers with fewer nodes.
- Creating a great model requires experimentation.

## 5. Practice exercises for model validation:

#### ► Package pre-loading:

```
[10]: import pandas as pd
from keras.layers import Dense
from keras.models import Sequential
from keras.utils import to_categorical
```

## ▶ Data pre-loading:

```
[11]: df = pd.read_csv('ref4. Titanic.csv')

df.replace(False, 0, inplace=True)

df.replace(True, 1, inplace=True)

predictors = df.drop(['survived'], axis=1).to_numpy()

n_cols = predictors.shape[1]

target = to_categorical(df.survived)
input_shape = (n_cols, )
```

#### ▶ Evaluating model accuracy on validation dataset practice:

#### ▶ Early stopping optimization optimizing practice:

```
[13]: # Import EarlyStopping
      from keras.callbacks import EarlyStopping
      # Save the number of columns in predictors: n_cols
      n_cols = predictors.shape[1]
      input_shape = (n_cols, )
      # Specify the model
      model = Sequential()
      model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
      model.add(Dense(100, activation='relu'))
      model.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
      # Compile the model
      model.compile(optimizer='adam',
                    loss='categorical_crossentropy',
                    metrics=['accuracy'])
      # Define early_stopping_monitor
      early_stopping_monitor = EarlyStopping(patience=2)
      # Fit the model
      model.fit(predictors,
                target,
                validation_split=0.3,
                epochs=30,
                callbacks=[early_stopping_monitor])
```

[13]: <tensorflow.python.keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f7efd287550>

#### ► Package re-pre-loading:

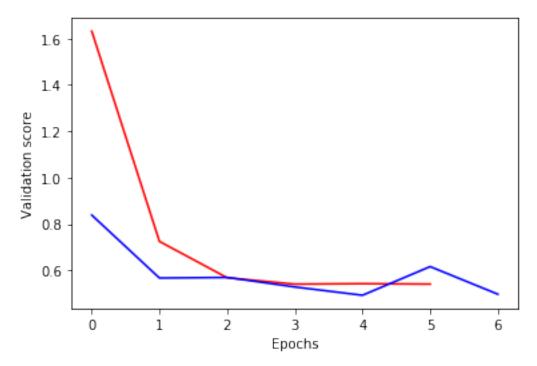
```
[14]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

## ► Code pre-loading:

#### ▶ Experimenting with wider networks practice:

```
[16]: # Define early stopping monitor
      early_stopping_monitor = EarlyStopping(patience=2)
      # Create the new model: model_2
      model_2 = Sequential()
      # Add the first and second layers
      model_2.add(Dense(100, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
      model_2.add(Dense(100, activation='relu'))
      # Add the output layer
      model_2.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
      # Compile model 2
      model_2.compile(optimizer='adam',
                      loss='categorical crossentropy',
                      metrics=['accuracy'])
      # Fit model_1
      model_1_training = model_1.fit(predictors,
                                     target,
                                     epochs=15,
                                     validation_split=0.2,
                                     callbacks=[early_stopping_monitor],
                                     verbose=False)
      # Fit model 2
      model_2_training = model_2.fit(predictors,
                                     target,
                                     epochs=15,
                                     validation_split=0.2,
                                     callbacks=[early_stopping_monitor],
                                     verbose=False)
      # Create the plot
      plt.plot(model_1_training.history['val_loss'], 'r',
```

```
model_2_training.history['val_loss'], 'b')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Validation score')
plt.show()
```



## ► Code re-pre-loading:

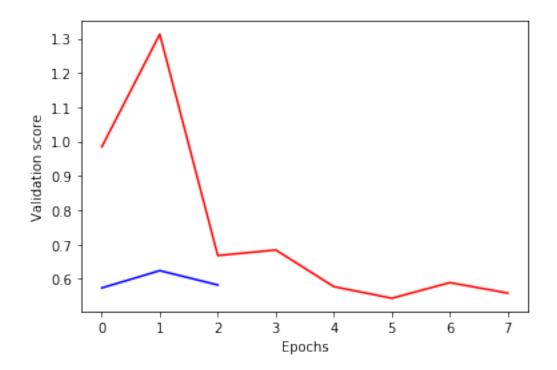
## ▶ Network layers adding practice:

```
[18]: # The input shape to use in the first hidden layer
input_shape = (n_cols, )

# Create the new model: model_2
model_2 = Sequential()

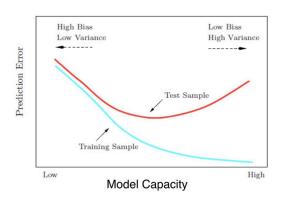
# Add the first, second, and third hidden layers
model_2.add(Dense(50, activation='relu', input_shape=input_shape))
model_2.add(Dense(50, activation='relu'))
```

```
model_2.add(Dense(50, activation='relu'))
# Add the output layer
model_2.add(Dense(2, activation='softmax'))
# Compile model_2
model_2.compile(optimizer='adam',
                loss='categorical_crossentropy',
                metrics=['accuracy'])
# Fit model 1
model_1_training = model_1.fit(predictors,
                               target,
                               epochs=20,
                               validation_split=0.4,
                               callbacks=[early_stopping_monitor],
                               verbose=False)
# Fit model 2
model_2_training = model_2.fit(predictors,
                               target,
                               epochs=20,
                               validation_split=0.4,
                               callbacks=[early_stopping_monitor],
                               verbose=False)
# Create the plot
plt.plot(model_1_training.history['val_loss'], 'r',
         model_2_training.history['val_loss'], 'b')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
plt.ylabel('Validation score')
plt.show()
```



# 3 Thinking about model capacity

## 1. What is the connection between overfitting and model capacity?



## 2. What is a good workflow for optimizing model capacity?

- Start with a small network.
- Gradually increase capacity.
- Keep increasing capacity until the validation score is no longer improving.

## 3. How do sequential experiments function?

Hidden Layers	Nodes Per Layer	Mean Squared Error	Next Step
1	100	5.4	Increase Capacity
1	250	4.8	Increase Capacity
2	250	4.4	Increase Capacity
3	250	4.5	Decrease Capacity
3	200	4.3	Done

#### 4. Practice question for experimenting with model structures:

- Run an experiment to compare two identical networks except that the 2nd network had an extra hidden layer. It could be seen that this 2nd network (the deeper network) had better performance. Given that, which of the following would be a good experiment to run next for even better performance?
  - $\square$  Try a new network with fewer layers than anything you have tried yet.
  - $\boxtimes$  Use more units in each hidden layer.
  - $\square$  Use fewer units in each hidden layer.

## 4 Stepping up to images

#### 1. How to recognize handwritten digits?

- The MNIST dataset.
- 28 x 28 grid flattened to 784 values for each image.
- Value in each part of the array denotes the darkness of that pixel.



#### 5. Practice exercises for model validation:

#### ▶ Package pre-loading:

```
[19]: import pandas as pd
from keras.layers import Dense
from keras.models import Sequential
```

```
from keras.utils import to_categorical
```

## ▶ Data pre-loading:

```
[20]: df = pd.read_csv('ref8. MNIST.csv', header=None)
X = df.iloc[:, 1:].to_numpy()
y = to_categorical(df.iloc[:, 0])
```

## ▶ Evaluating model accuracy on validation dataset practice:

[21]: <tensorflow.python.keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f7efee94550>

# 5 Final thoughts

#### 1. What are the next steps?

- Start with standard prediction problems on tables of numbers.
- Images (with convolutional neural networks) are common next steps.
- keras.io for excellent documentation.
- The graphical processing unit (GPU) provides dramatic speedups in model training times.
- Need a CUDA compatible GPU.
- Here is a blog post that explains how to training on using GPUs in the cloud.