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Understanding deep learning requires re-thinking generalization.

Consider handwritten digit recognition

- 1] Assign random label while training.
- 2] Training accuracy = 100%

The NN memorized which 7 to call 1 and which 7 to call 2, so on.

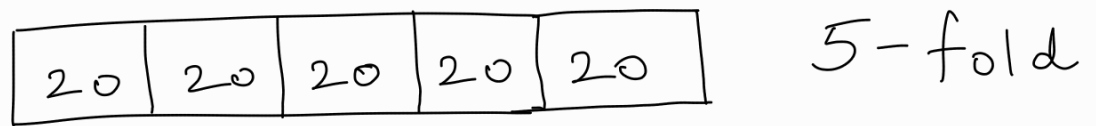
This implies that **training accuracy means nothing**. NN can brute force memorize.

- 3] NN which don't learn cannot generalize.

Doing Experiments



2] K-fold validation



Train on 4 parts, test on 5th

Repeat for all parts.

Removes bias which may arise due to single test set

Consider handwriting recognition. We have data of 200 people. We now have 2 choices to split data

1] Split with random data from random people (80/20/20)

2] Split user wise. Use 160 people data for training, 20 for validation, 20 for testing.

→ We should select ② as the purpose of the model is to generalize. In 2nd option, the model's generalization will be tested as it will have unseen data in validation & test set.