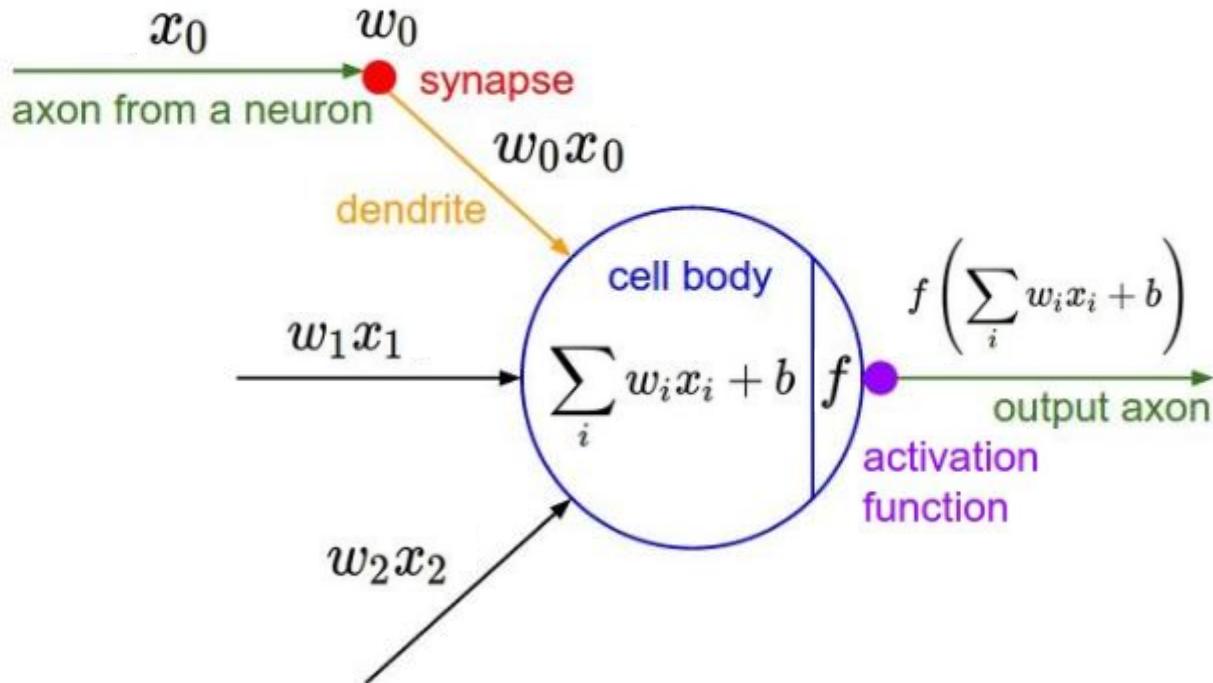


Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions



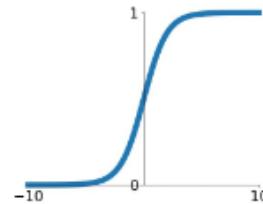
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The non-linear max function allows models to learn more complex transformations for features.

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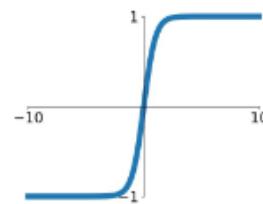
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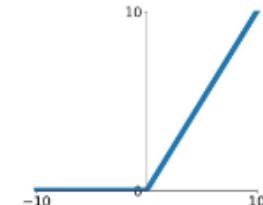
tanh

$$\tanh(x)$$



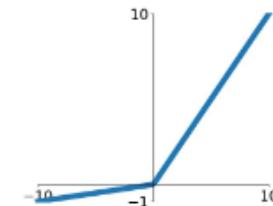
ReLU

$$\max(0, x)$$



Leaky ReLU

$$\max(0.1x, x)$$

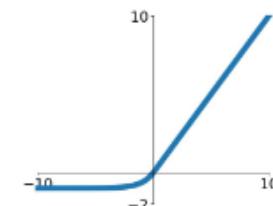


Maxout

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ELU

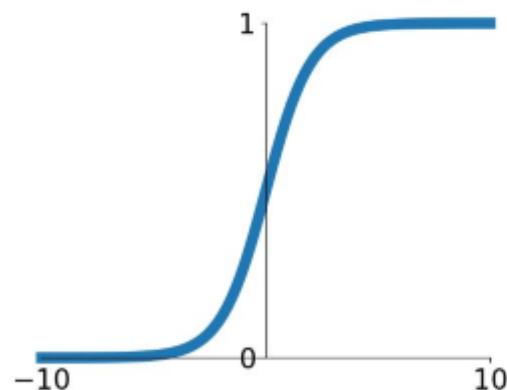
$$\begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Choosing the right activation function is another new hyperparameter!

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Activation Functions



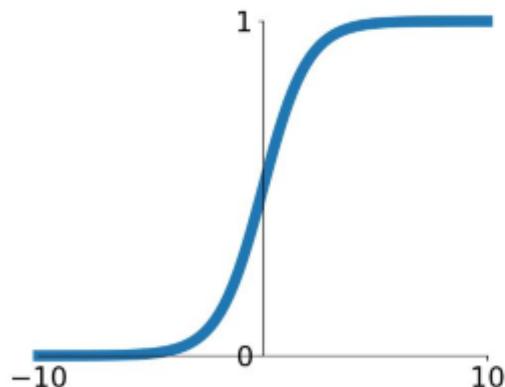
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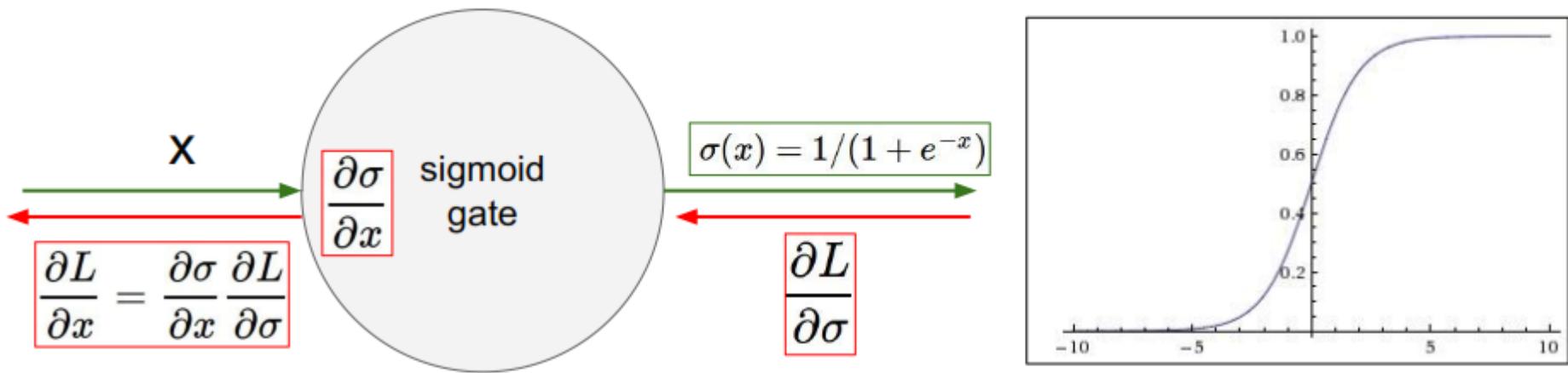
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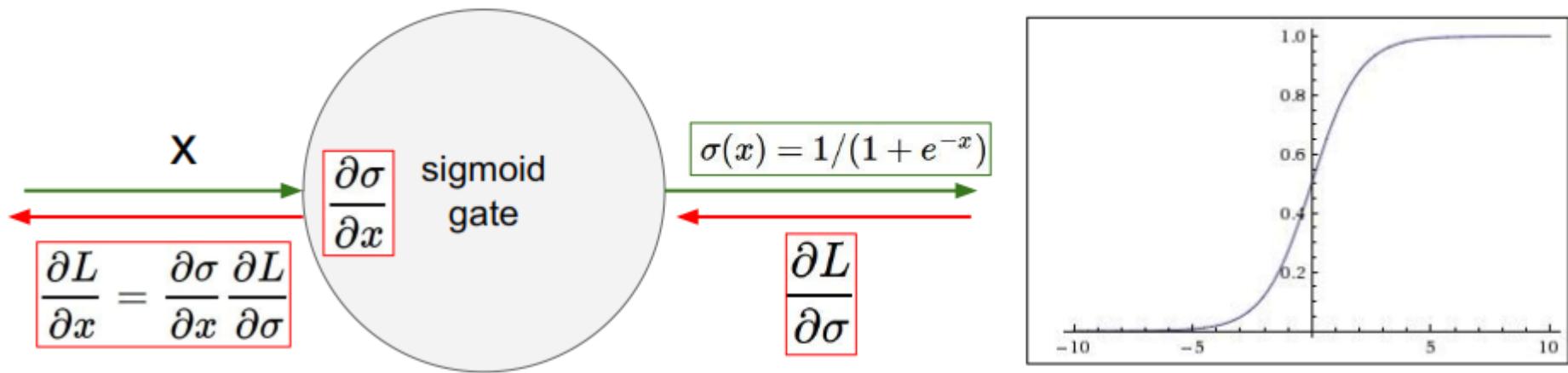
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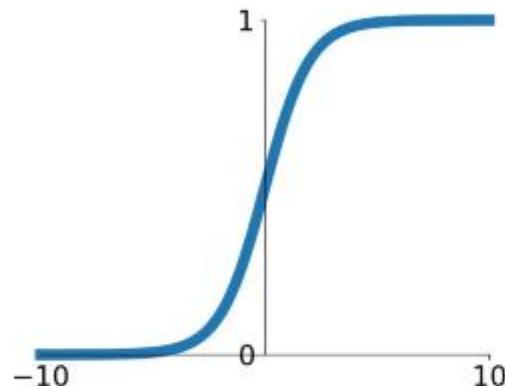
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Activation Functions



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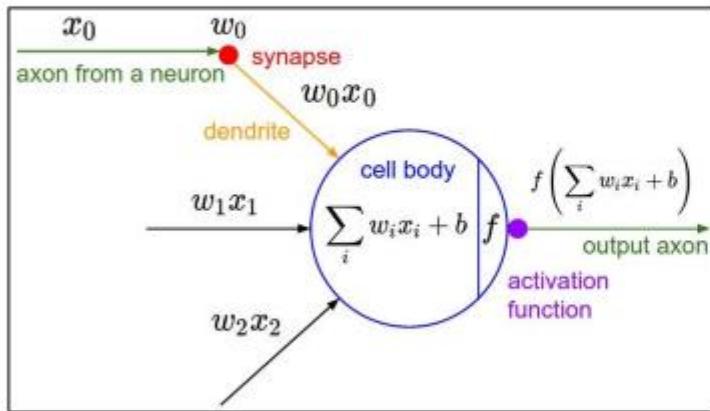
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Training Neural Networks

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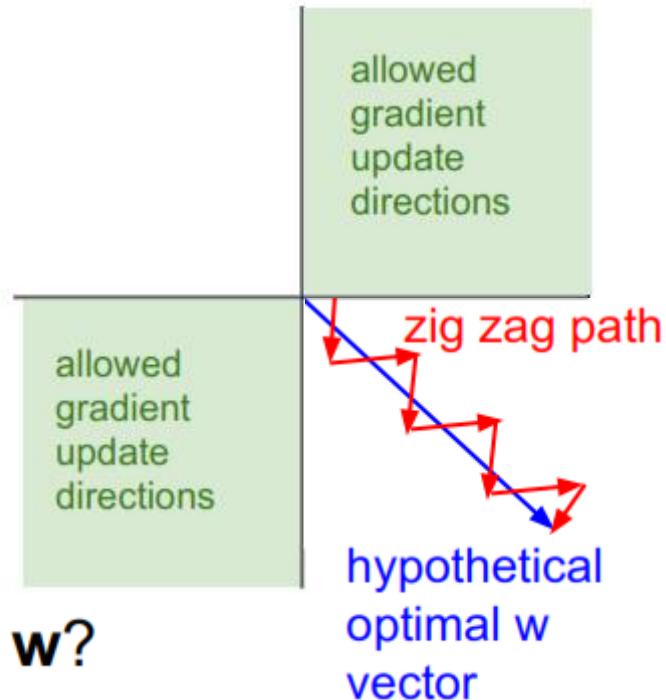
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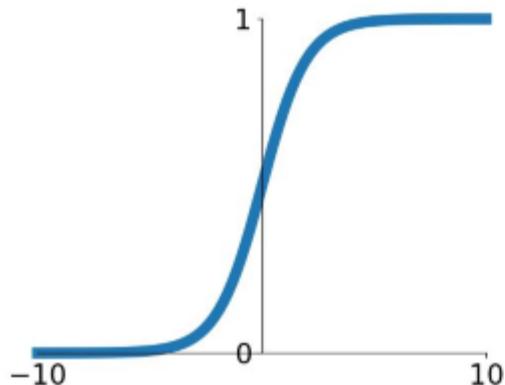


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Always all positive or all negative :(
(this is also why you want zero-mean data!)

Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions



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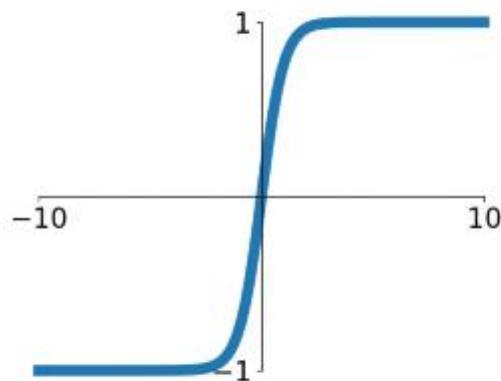
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3. $\exp()$ is a bit compute expensive

Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions

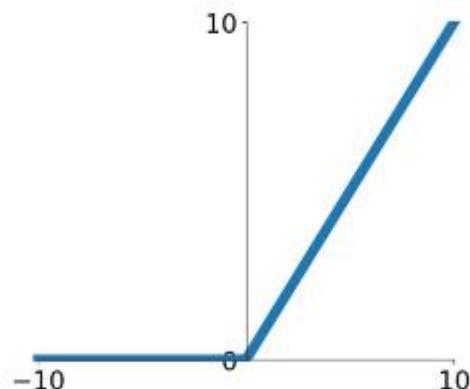


tanh(x)

- Squashes numbers to range [-1, 1]
- zero centered (nice)
- still kills gradients when saturated :(

Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions

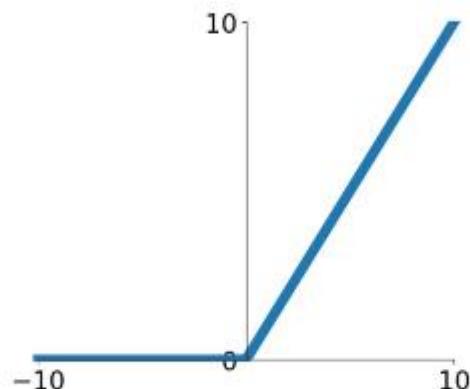


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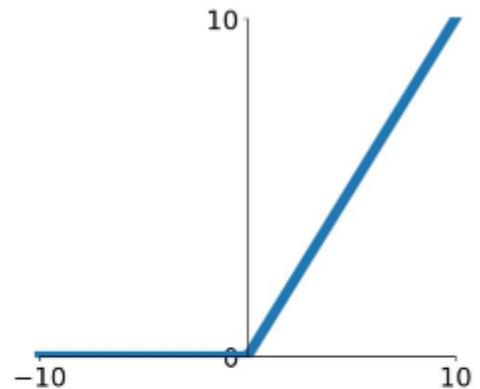
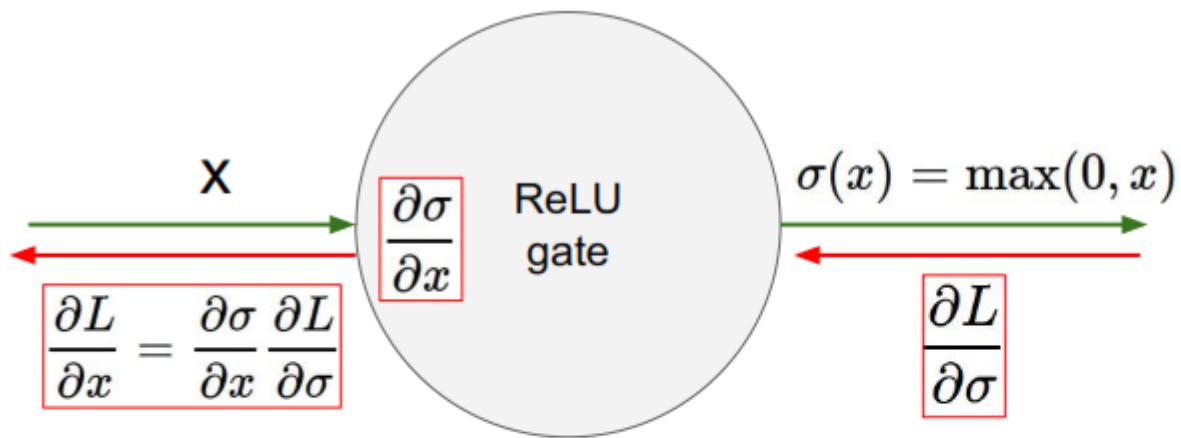


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- Not zero-centered output
- An annoyance:
hint: what is the gradient when $x < 0$?

Training Neural Networks



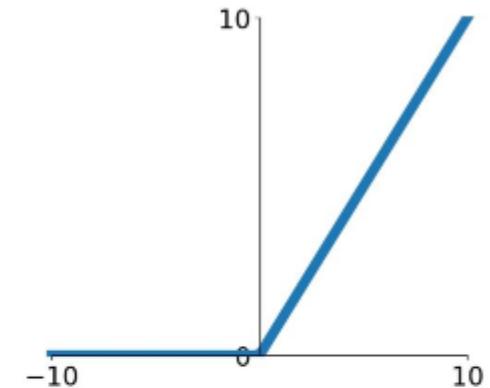
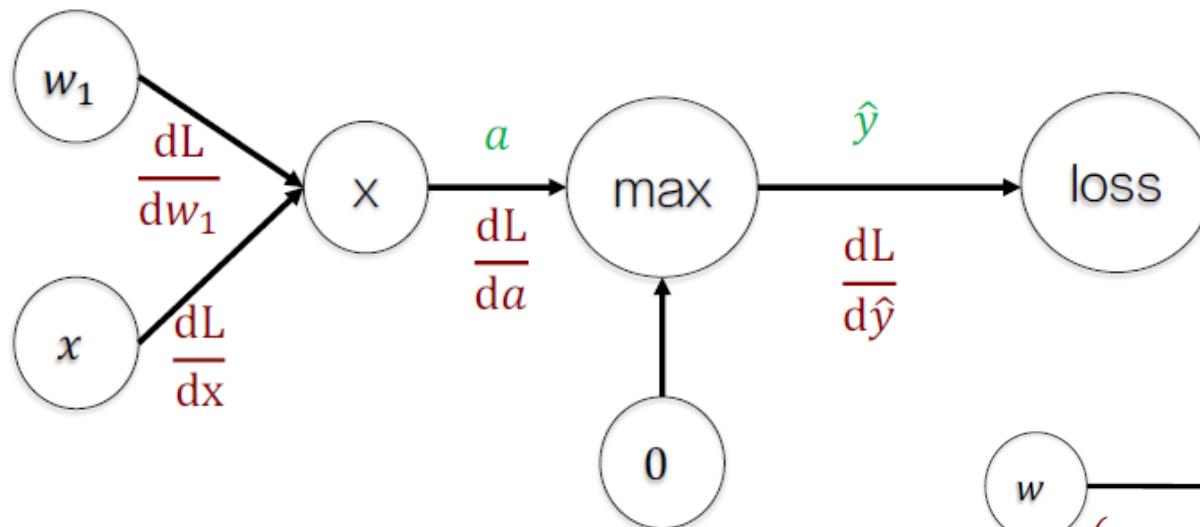
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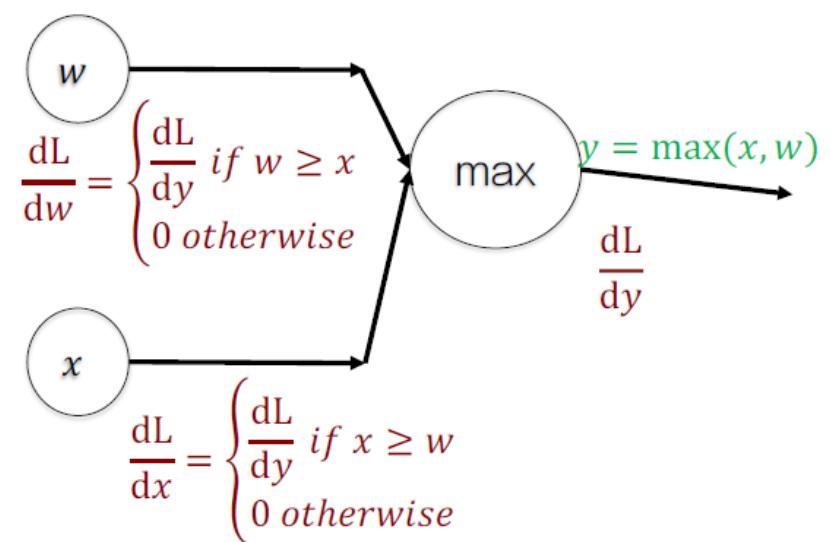
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Training Neural Networks

Problem of Dying ReLU and importance of learning rate

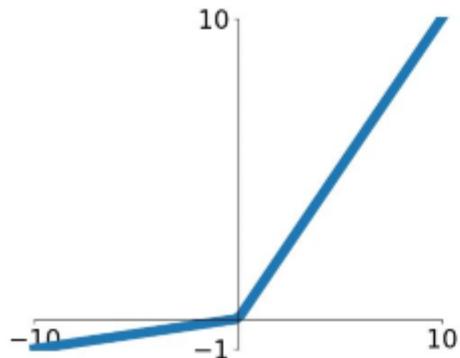


$$W := W - \alpha \frac{dL}{dW}$$



Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions



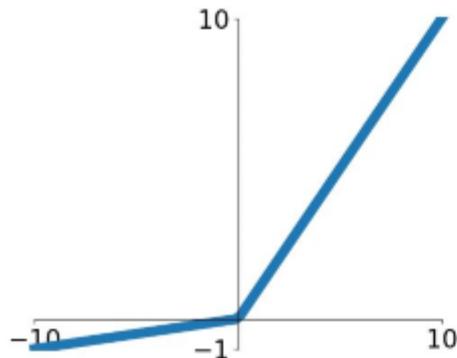
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Parametric Rectifier (PReLU)

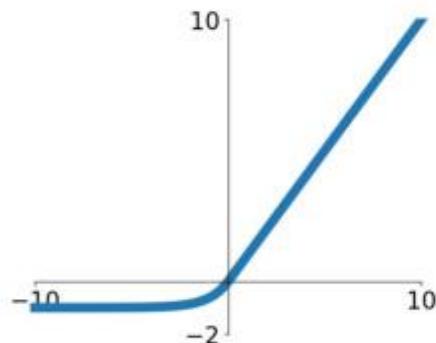
$$f(x) = \max(\alpha x, x)$$

backprop into α
(parameter)

Training Neural Networks

Activation Functions

Exponential Linear Units (ELU)



- All benefits of ReLU
- Closer to zero mean outputs
- Negative saturation regime compared with Leaky ReLU adds some robustness to noise

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \alpha (\exp(x) - 1) & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- Computation requires $\exp()$

Training Neural Networks

Maxout “Neuron”

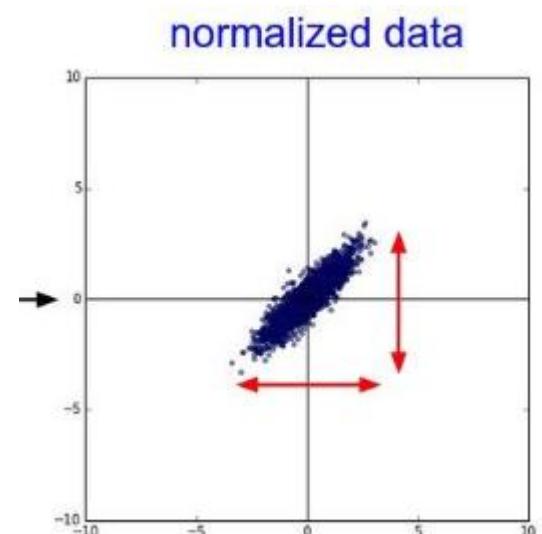
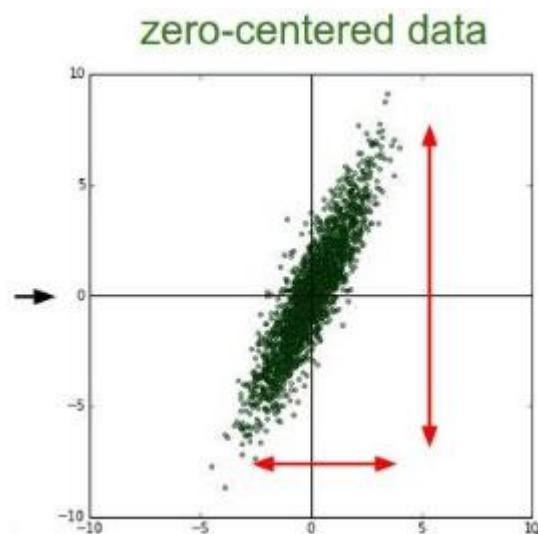
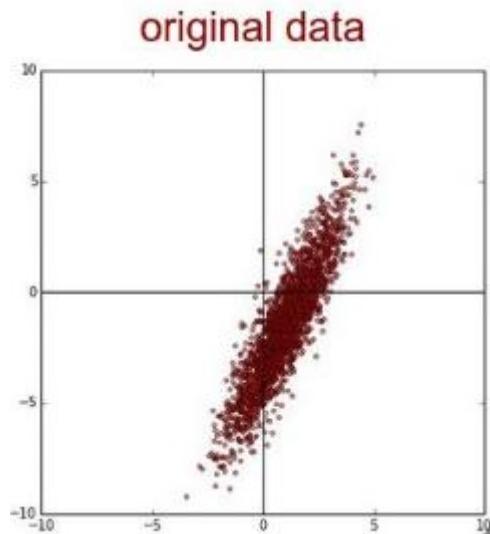
- Does not have the basic form of dot product -> nonlinearity
- Generalizes ReLU and Leaky ReLU
- Linear Regime! Does not saturate! Does not die!

$$\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$$

Problem: doubles the number of parameters/neuron :(

Training Neural Networks

Preprocess the data



Training Neural Networks

Weights Initialization

- First idea: **Small random numbers**
(gaussian with zero mean and 1e-2 standard deviation)

```
W = 0.01* np.random.randn(D,H)
```

Works ~okay for small networks, but problems with deeper networks.

Weight Initialization: Activation statistics

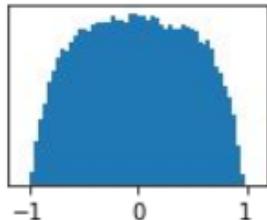
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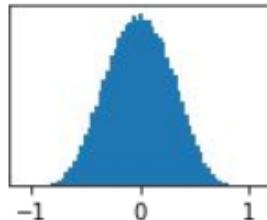
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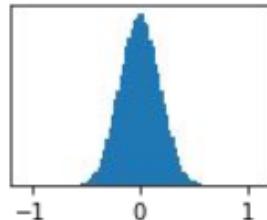
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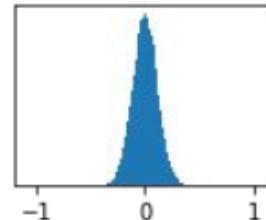
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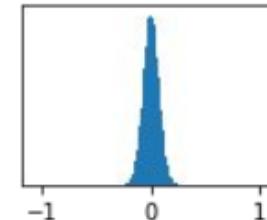
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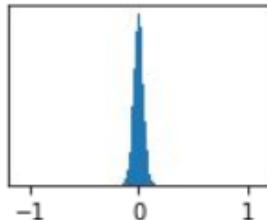
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Layer 5
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std=0.07



Layer 6
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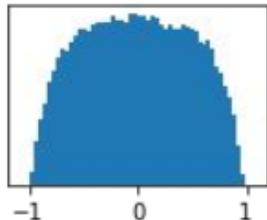
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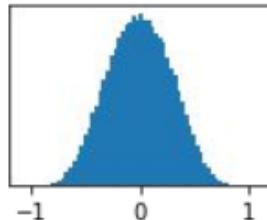
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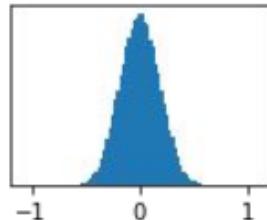
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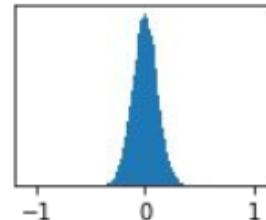
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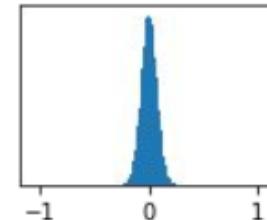
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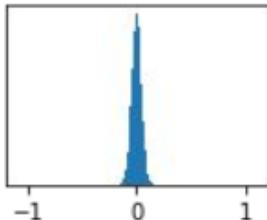
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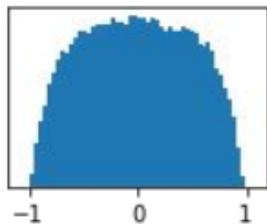
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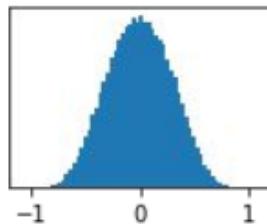
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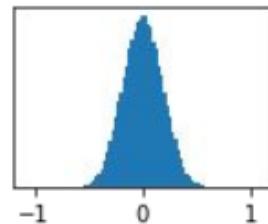
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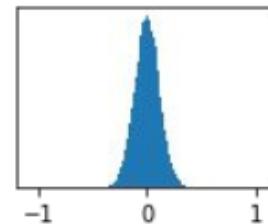
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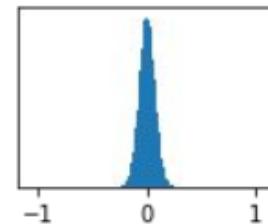
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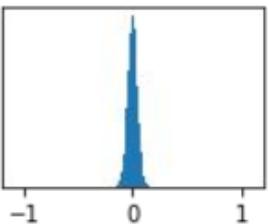
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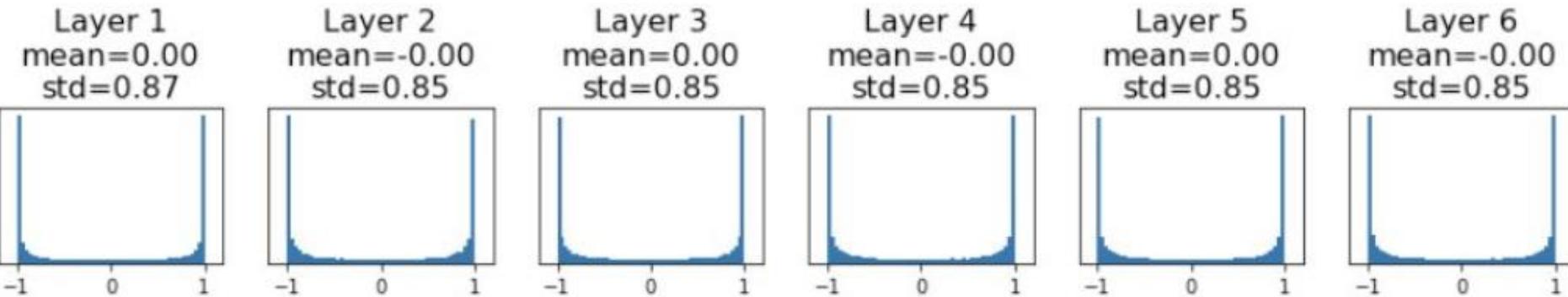
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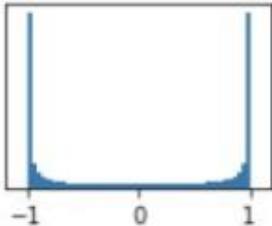
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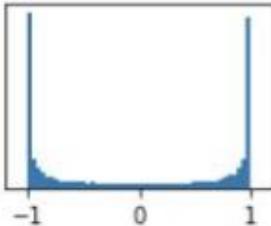
All activations saturate

Q: What do the gradients look like?

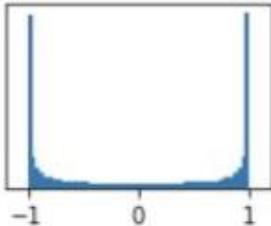
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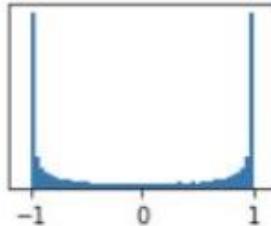
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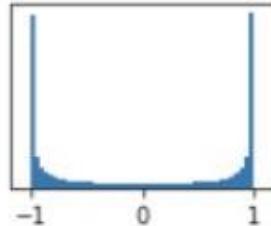
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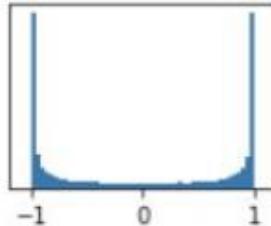
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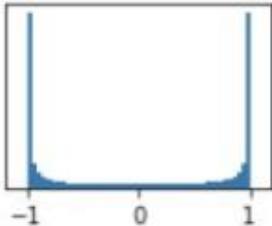
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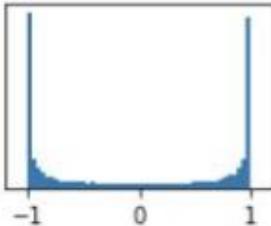
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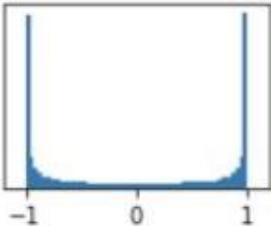
Layer 1
mean=0.00
std=0.87



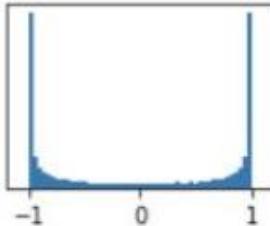
Layer 2
mean=-0.00
std=0.85



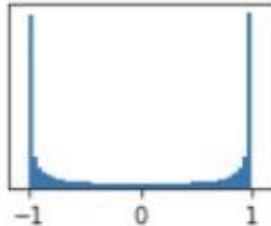
Layer 3
mean=0.00
std=0.85



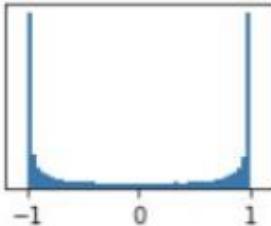
Layer 4
mean=-0.00
std=0.85



Layer 5
mean=0.00
std=0.85



Layer 6
mean=-0.00
std=0.85



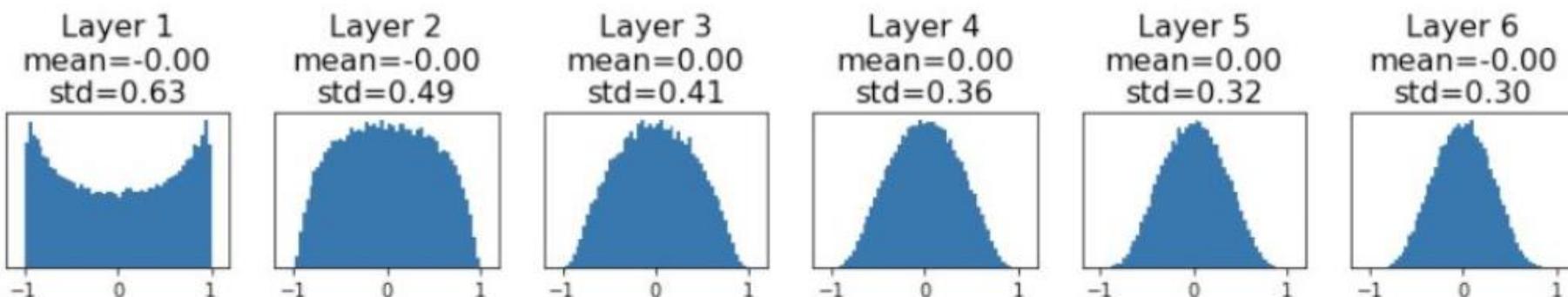
Weight Initialization: “Xavier” Initialization

```
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for Din, Dout in zip(dims[:-1], dims[1:]):  
    W = np.random.randn(Din, Dout) / np.sqrt(Din)  
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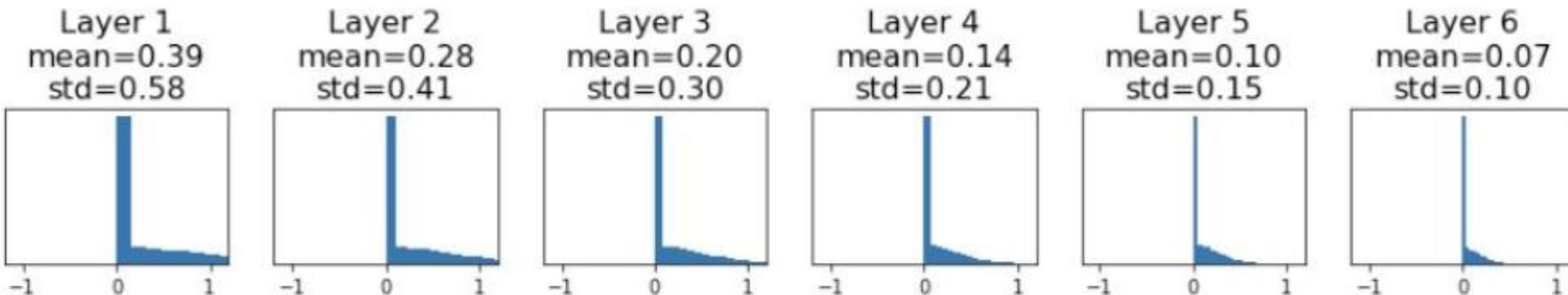


Weight Initialization: What about ReLU?

```
dims = [4096] * 7      Change from tanh to ReLU
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for Din, Dout in zip(dims[:-1], dims[1:]):
    W = np.random.randn(Din, Dout) / np.sqrt(Din)
    x = np.maximum(0, x.dot(W))
    hs.append(x)
```

Xavier assumes zero centered activation function

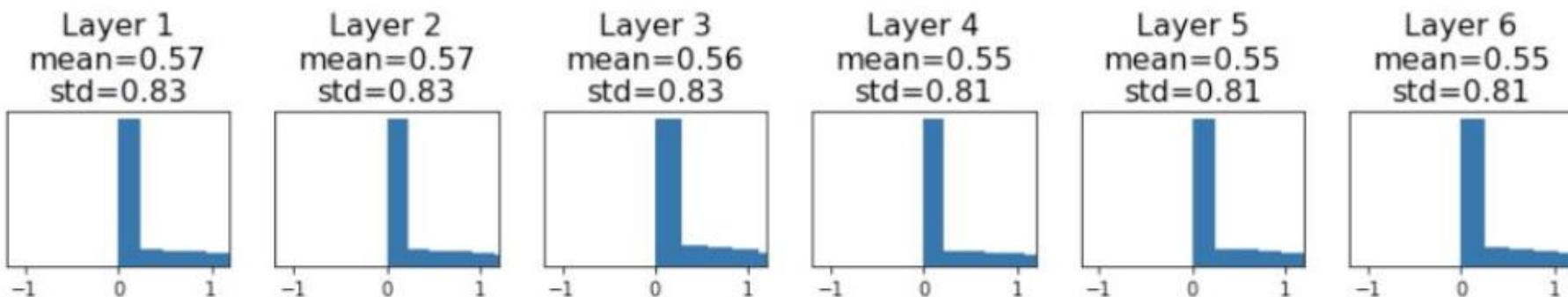
Activations collapse to zero again, no learning =(



Weight Initialization: Kaiming / MSRA Initialization

```
dims = [4096] * 7    ReLU correction: std = sqrt(2 / Din)
hs = []
x = np.random.randn(16, dims[0])
for Din, Dout in zip(dims[:-1], dims[1:]):
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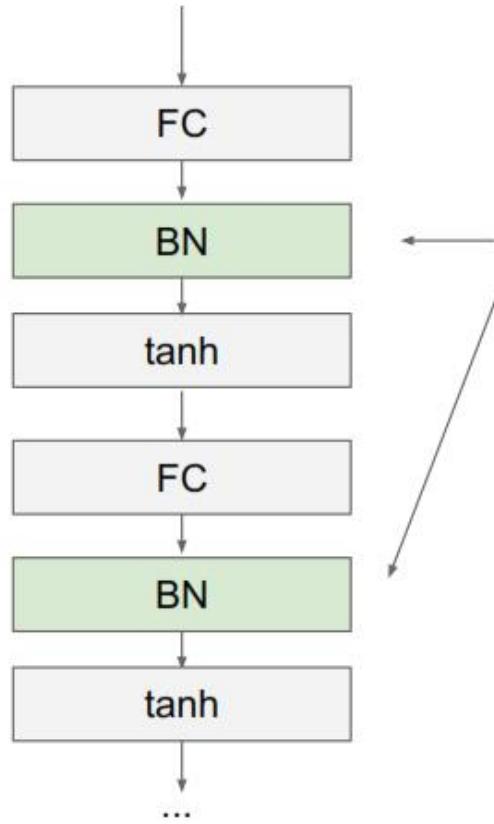
Batch Normalization

“you want zero-mean unit-variance activations? just make them so.”

consider a batch of activations at some layer. To make each dimension zero-mean unit-variance, apply:

$$\hat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - \text{E}[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[x^{(k)}]}}$$

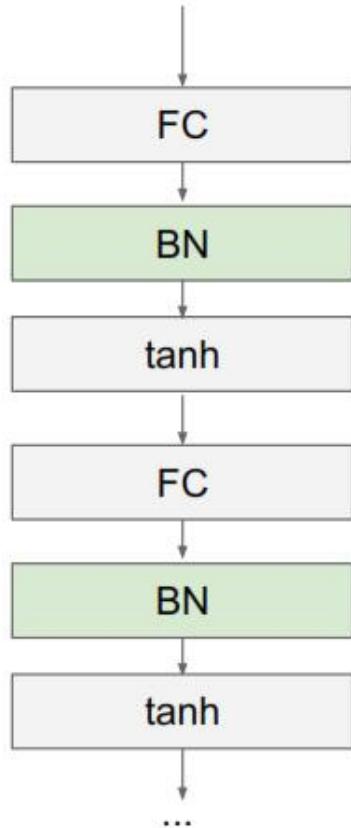
Batch Normalization



Usually inserted after Fully Connected or Convolutional layers, and before nonlinearity.

$$\hat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - \text{E}[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[x^{(k)}]}}$$

Batch Normalization



- Makes deep networks **much** easier to train!
- Improves gradient flow
- Allows higher learning rates, faster convergence
- Networks become more robust to initialization
- Acts as regularization during training
- Zero overhead at test-time: can be fused with conv!
- Behaves differently during training and testing: this is a very common source of bugs!

Training Neural Networks

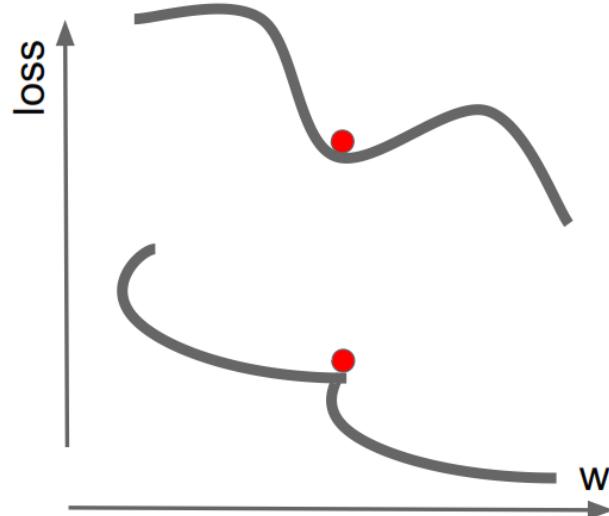
Loss Optimization methods

SGD:

- Very slow progress along shallow dimension,
- jitter along steep direction
- Zero gradient, gradient descent gets stuck,
- Our gradients come from minibatches, they can be noisy!

What if the loss
function has a
local minima or
saddle point?

Zero gradient,
gradient descent
gets stuck



Solution:

Build up “velocity” as a running mean of gradients
SGD+Momentum, AdaGrad, RMSProp, Adam

SGD + Momentum:

continue moving in the general direction as the previous iterations

SGD

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$$

```
while True:  
    dx = compute_gradient(x)  
    x -= learning_rate * dx
```

SGD+Momentum

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t + \nabla f(x_t)$$

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha v_{t+1}$$

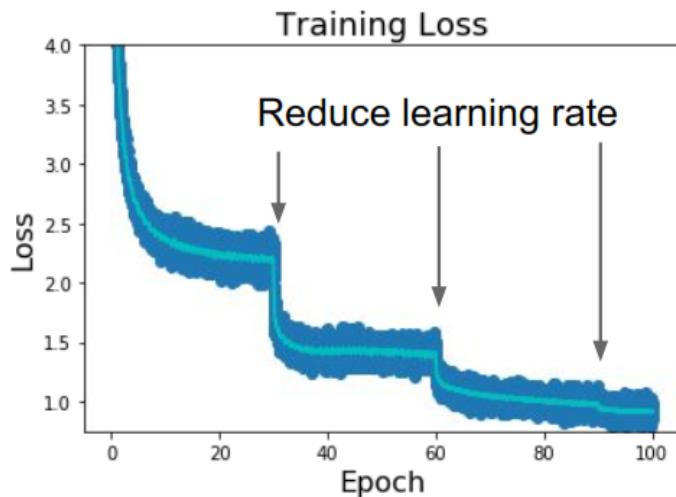
```
vx = 0  
while True:  
    dx = compute_gradient(x)  
    vx = rho * vx + dx  
    x -= learning_rate * vx
```

Training Neural Networks

Learning Rate

loss not going down -> learning rate too low
loss exploding -> learning rate too high

Learning rate decays over time

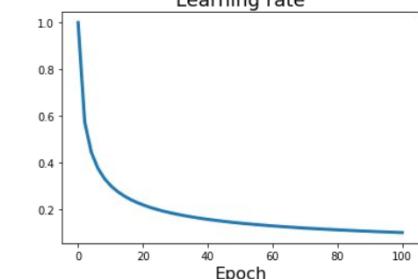
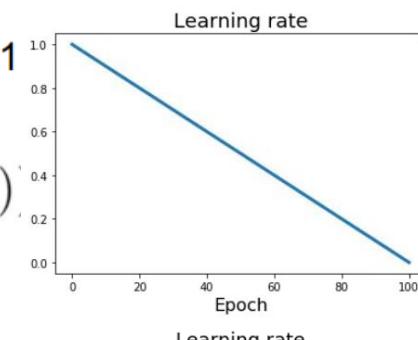
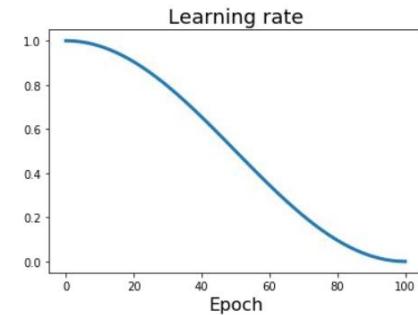


Step: Reduce learning rate at a few fixed points. E.g. for ResNets, multiply LR by 0.1 after epochs 30, 60, and 90.

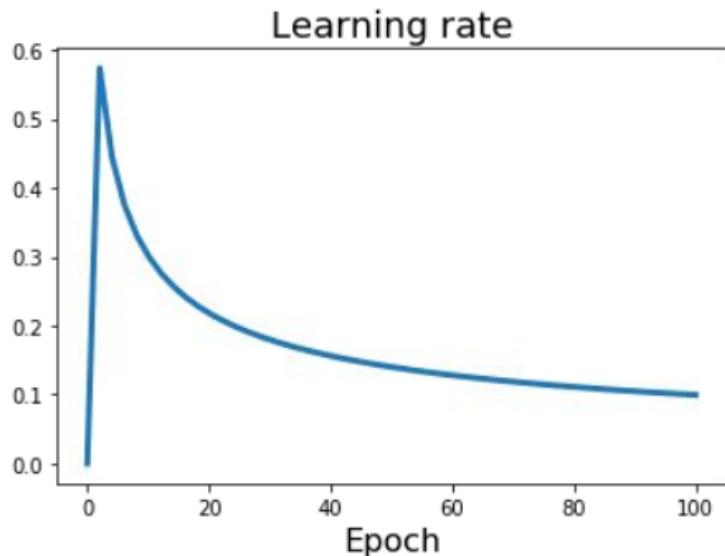
$$\textbf{Cosine: } \alpha_t = \frac{1}{2} \alpha_0 (1 + \cos(t\pi/T))$$

$$\textbf{Linear: } \alpha_t = \alpha_0(1 - t/T)$$

$$\textbf{Inverse sqrt: } \alpha_t = \alpha_0 / \sqrt{t}$$



Learning Rate Decay: Linear Warmup



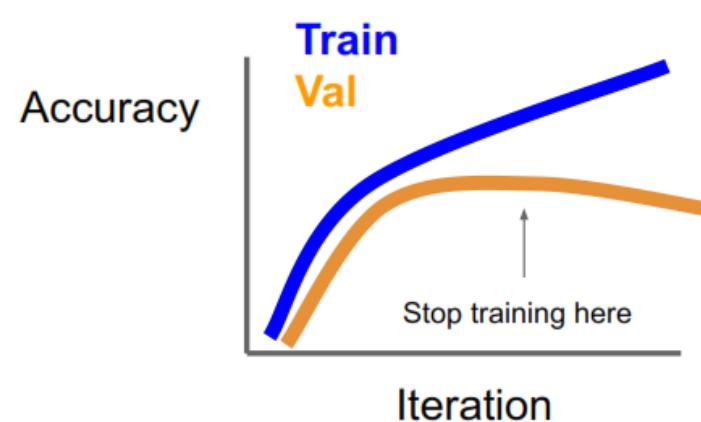
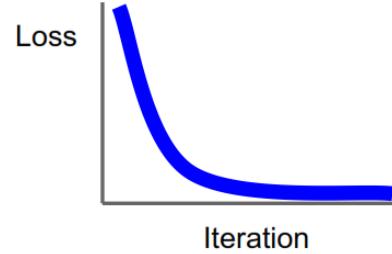
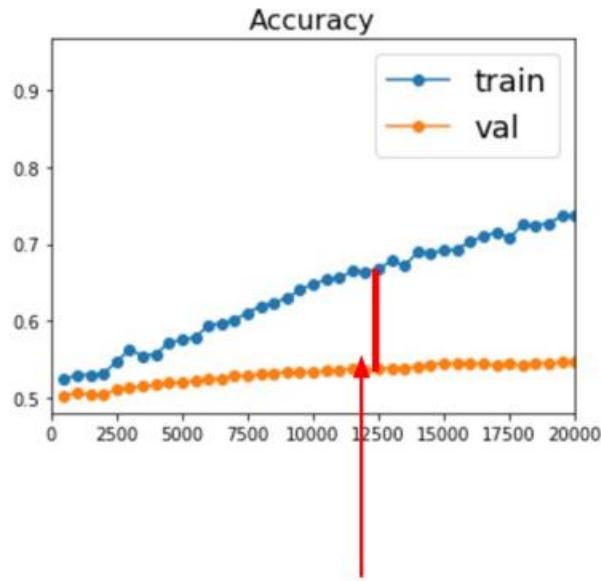
High initial learning rates can make loss explode; linearly increasing learning rate from 0 over the first ~5000 iterations can prevent this

Empirical rule of thumb: If you increase the batch size by N , also scale the initial learning rate by N

Training Neural Networks

When to stop training

Training and validation accuracy to be monitored



Model ensembles

Train multiple models and average their output at test

Training Neural Networks

Regularization: Add term to loss

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, f(x_i; W)_j - f(x_i; W)_{y_i} + 1) + \boxed{\lambda R(W)}$$

In common use:

L2 regularization

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l W_{k,l}^2 \quad (\text{Weight decay})$$

L1 regularization

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l |W_{k,l}|$$

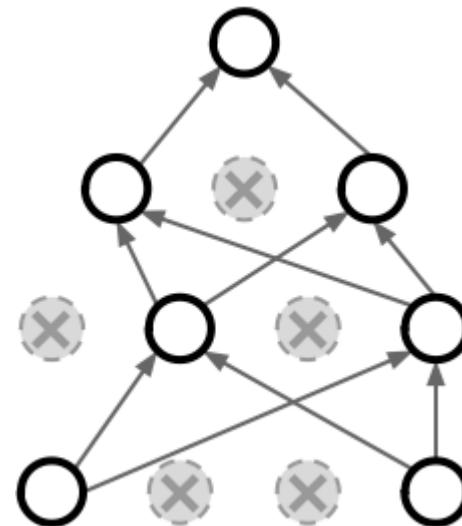
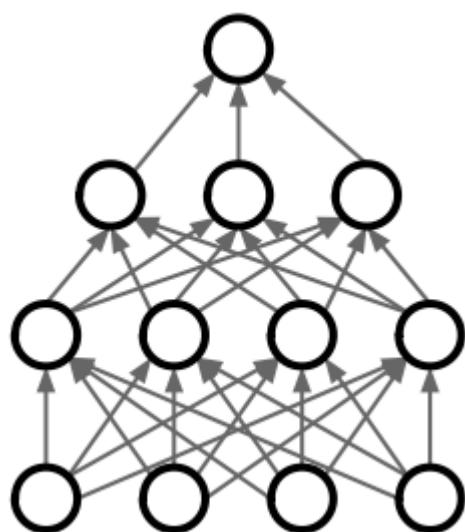
Elastic net (L1 + L2)

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l \beta W_{k,l}^2 + |W_{k,l}|$$

Training Neural Networks

Regularization: Dropout

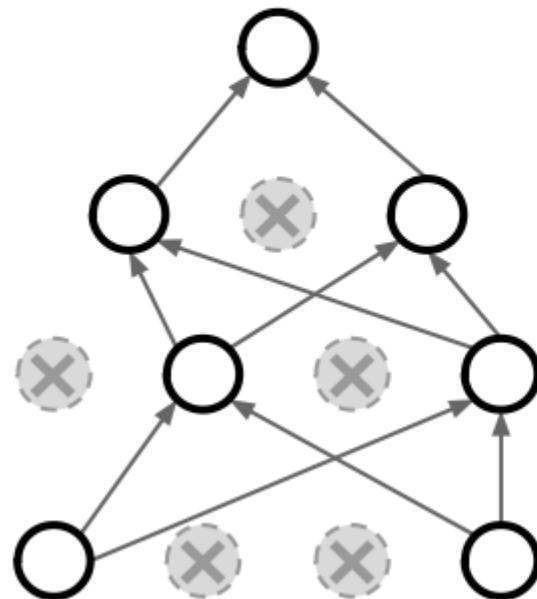
In each forward pass, randomly set some neurons to zero
Probability of dropping is a hyperparameter; 0.5 is common



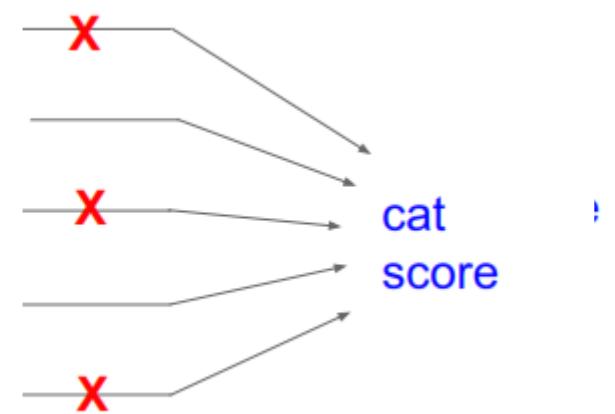
Training Neural Networks

Regularization: Dropout

How can this possibly be a good idea?



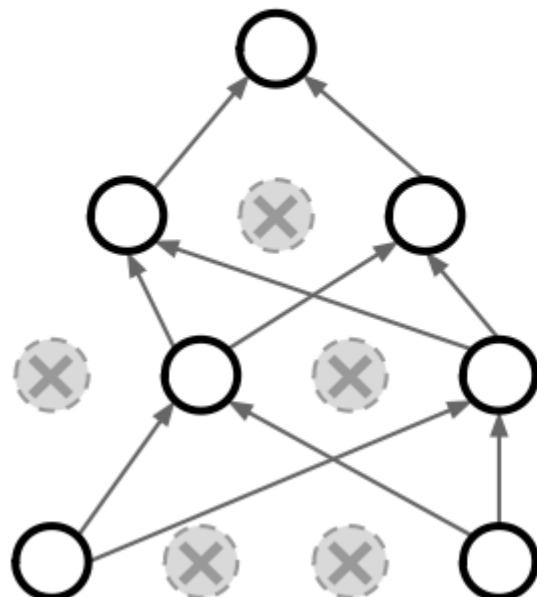
Forces the network to have a redundant representation;
Prevents co-adaptation of features



Training Neural Networks

Regularization: Dropout

How can this possibly be a good idea?



Another interpretation:

Dropout is training a large **ensemble** of models (that share parameters).

Each binary mask is one model

An FC layer with 4096 units has $2^{4096} \sim 10^{1233}$ possible masks!

Only $\sim 10^{82}$ atoms in the universe...

Training Neural Networks

Dropout: Test time

Dropout makes our output random!

$$y = f_W(x, z)$$

Output (label) Input (image) Random mask

Want to “average out” the randomness at test-time

$$y = f(x) = E_z[f(x, z)] = \int p(z)f(x, z)dz$$

But this integral seems hard

At test time, multiply by dropout probability

At test time all neurons are active always

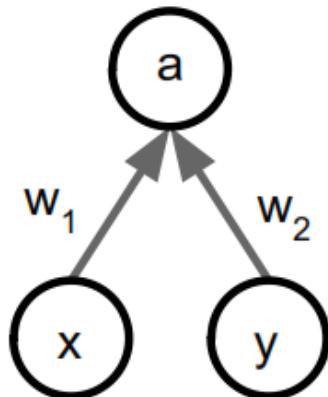
=> We must scale the activations so that for each neuron:
output at test time = expected output at training time

Dropout: Test time

Want to approximate
the integral

$$y = f(x) = E_z[f(x, z)] = \int p(z)f(x, z)dz$$

Consider a single neuron.



At test time we have: $E[a] = w_1x + w_2y$

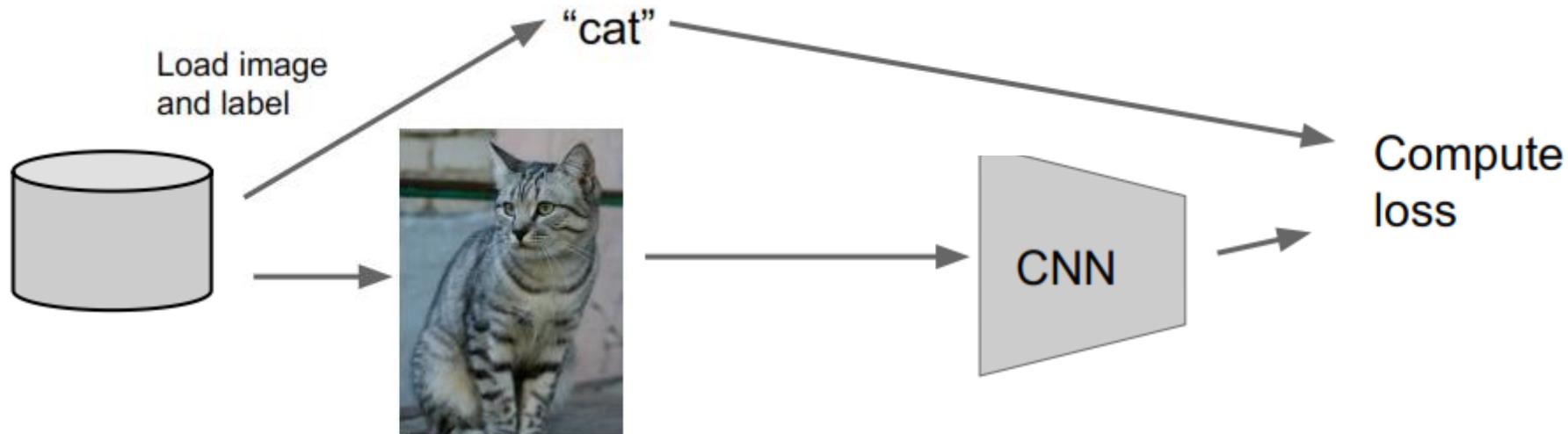
During training we have:

$$\begin{aligned} E[a] &= \frac{1}{4}(w_1x + w_2y) + \frac{1}{4}(w_1x + 0y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}(0x + 0y) + \frac{1}{4}(0x + w_2y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(w_1x + w_2y) \end{aligned}$$

At test time, multiply
by dropout probability

Training Neural Networks

Regularization: Data Augmentation



Training Neural Networks

Data Augmentation

Horizontal Flips



Training Neural Networks

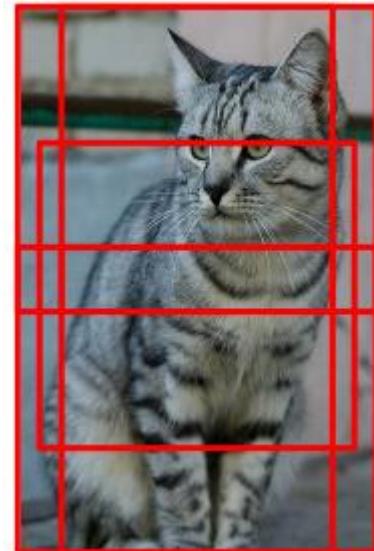
Data Augmentation

Random crops and scales

Training: sample random crops / scales

ResNet:

1. Pick random L in range [256, 480]
2. Resize training image, short side = L
3. Sample random 224×224 patch



Testing: average a fixed set of crops

ResNet:

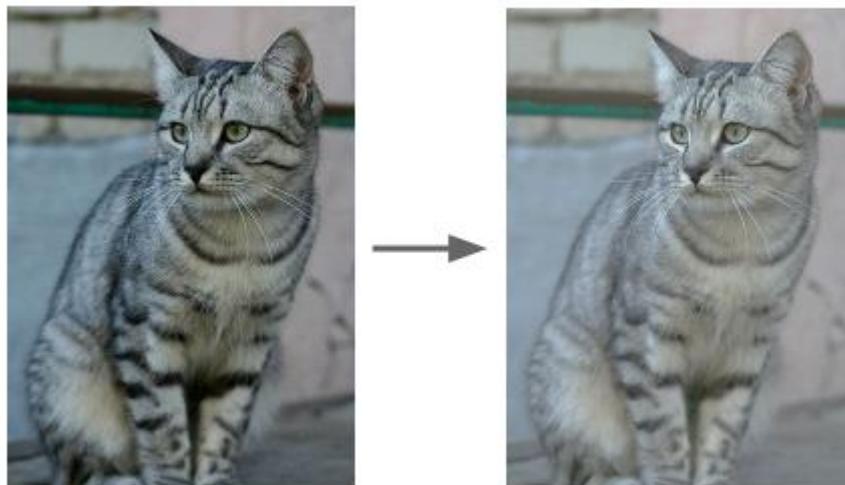
1. Resize image at 5 scales: {224, 256, 384, 480, 640}
2. For each size, use 10 224×224 crops: 4 corners + center, + flips

Training Neural Networks

Data Augmentation

Color Jitter

Simple: Randomize contrast and brightness



More Complex:

1. Apply PCA to all [R, G, B] pixels in training set
2. Sample a “color offset” along principal component directions
3. Add offset to all pixels of a training image

Training Neural Networks

Data Augmentation

Get creative for your problem!

Random mix/combinations of :

- translation
- rotation
- stretching
- shearing

Training Neural Networks

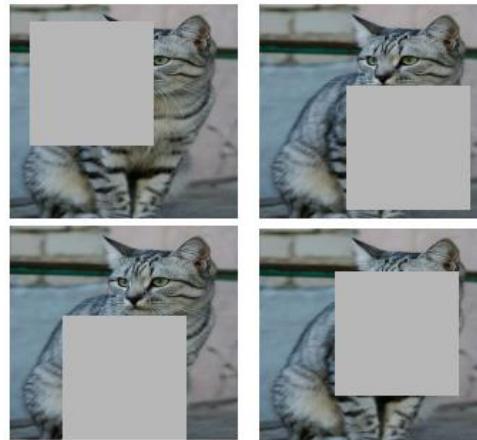
Regularization

Training: Add random noise

Testing: Marginalize over the noise

Examples:

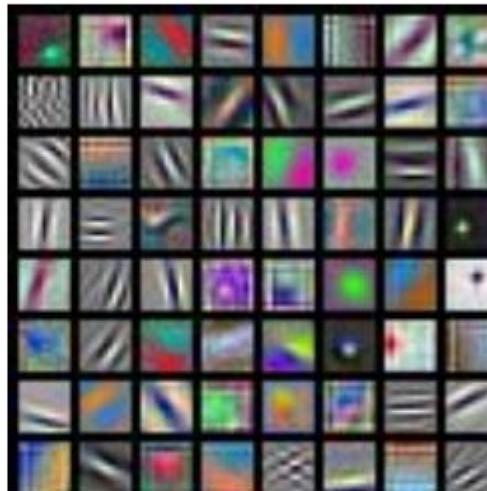
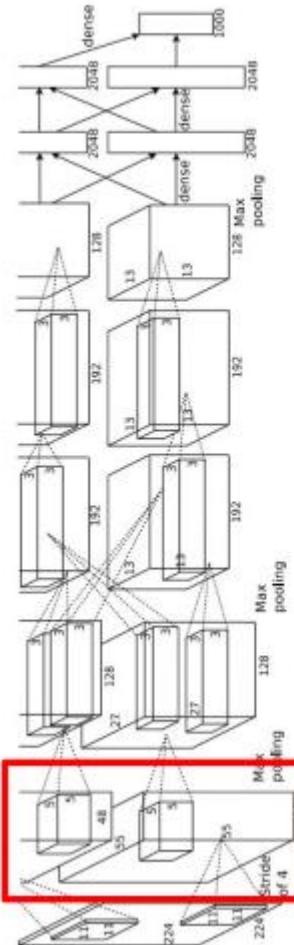
1. Dropout
2. Data Augmentation
3. Batch Normalization
4. DropConnect
5. Fractional Max Pooling
6. Stochastic Depth
7. Cutout
8. Mixup



Target label:
cat: 0.4
dog: 0.6

Randomly blend the pixels
of pairs of training images,
e.g. 40% cat, 60% dog

Transfer Learning with CNNs

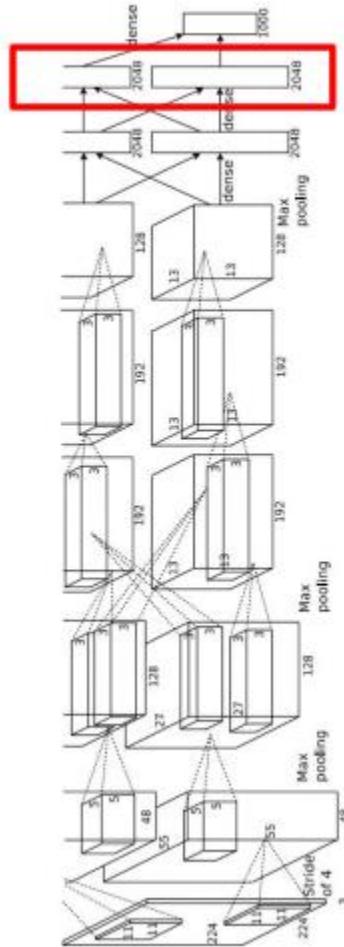


AlexNet:
64 x 3 x 11 x 11

Transfer learning

- Use an already trained network architecture
- Re-train few ending layers to capture essence of data
- Works well for similar dataset even when dataset is small
- Need to train more layers for different dataset but dataset shouldn't be small

Transfer Learning with CNNs

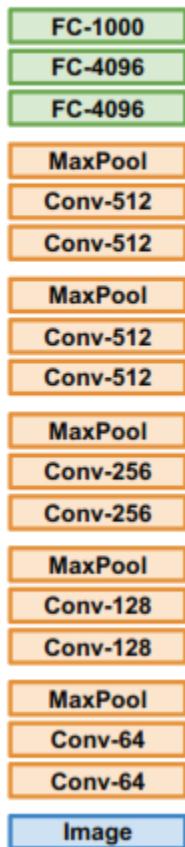


Test image L2 Nearest neighbors in feature space



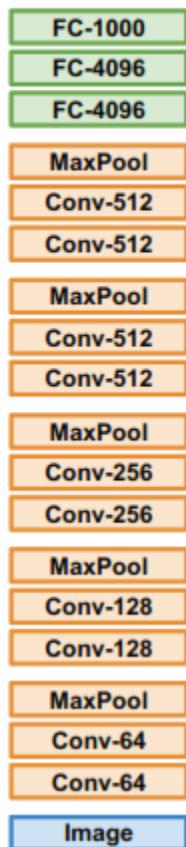
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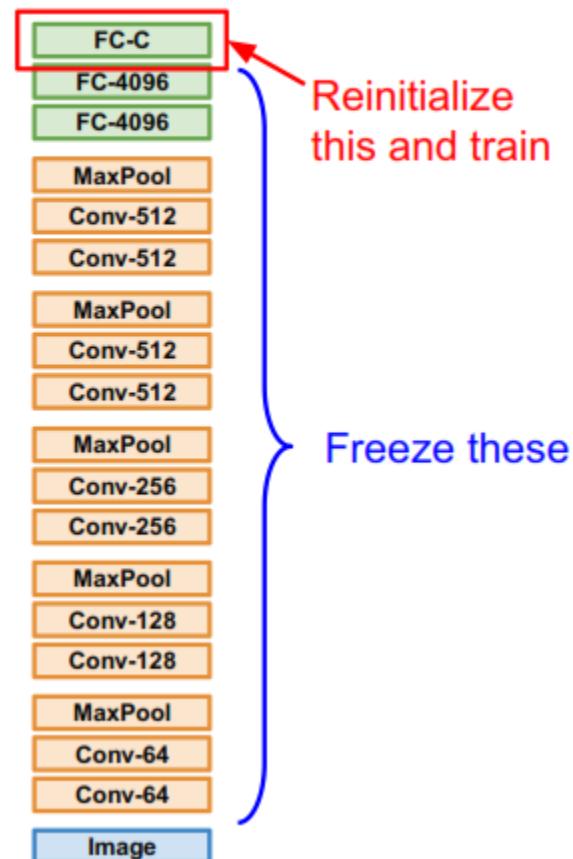


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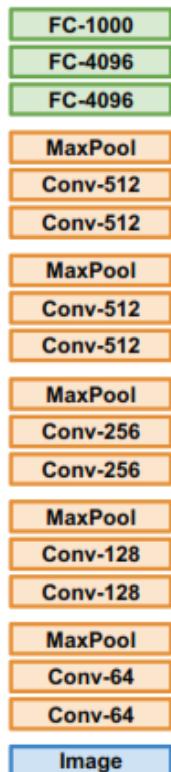


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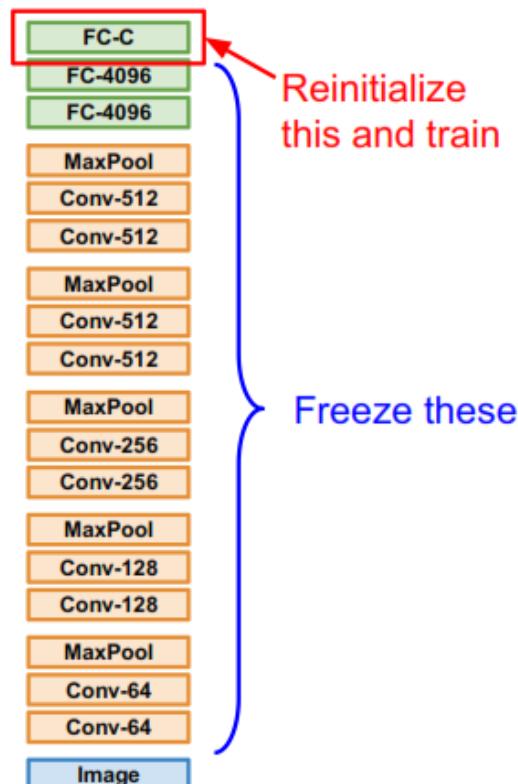


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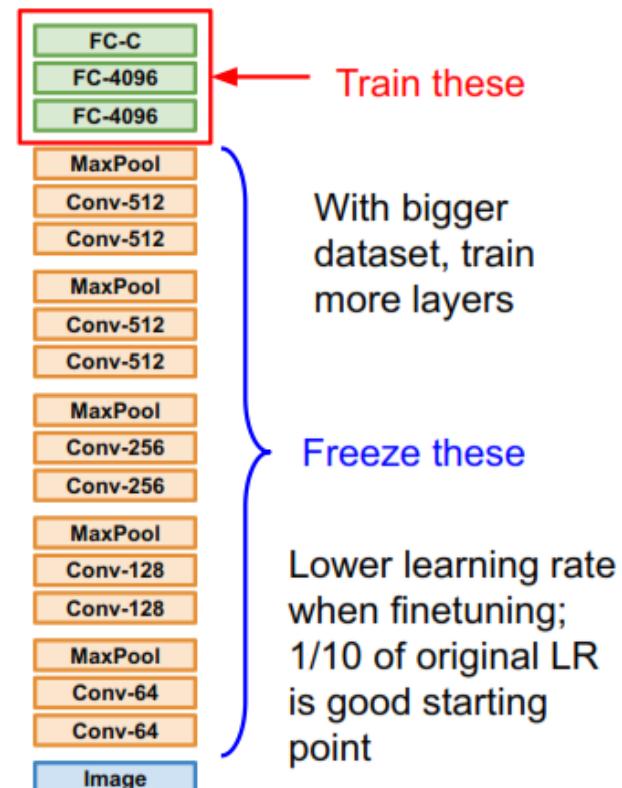
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3. Bigger dataset

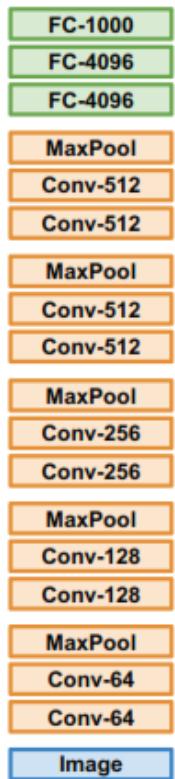


FC-1000
FC-4096
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MaxPool
Conv-64
Conv-64
Image

More specific

More generic

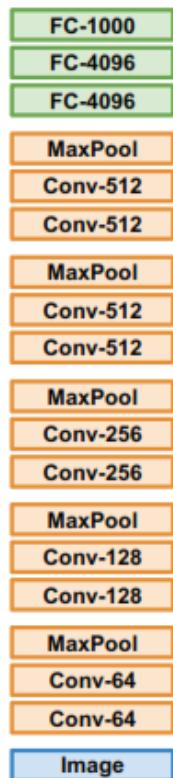
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quite a lot of data	?	?



More specific

More generic

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quite a lot of data	Finetune a few layers	?



More specific

More generic

	very similar dataset	very different dataset
very little data	Use Linear Classifier on top layer	You're in trouble... Try linear classifier from different stages
quite a lot of data	Finetune a few layers	Finetune a larger number of layers

Transfer learning with CNNs is pervasive... (it's the norm, not an exception)

Object Detection
(Fast R-CNN)

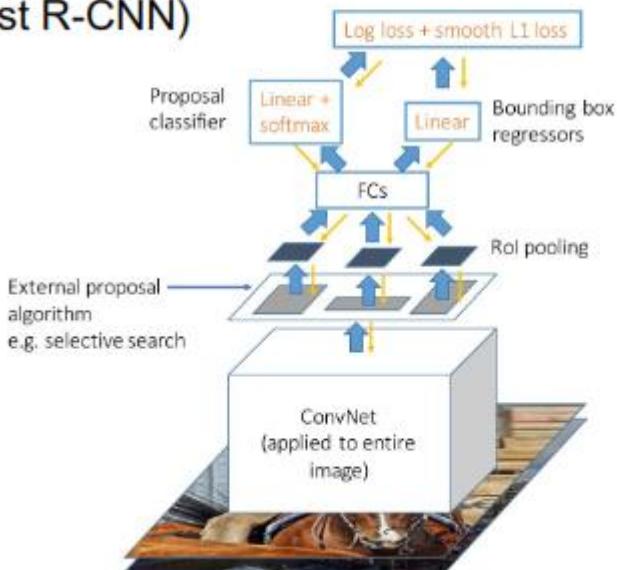
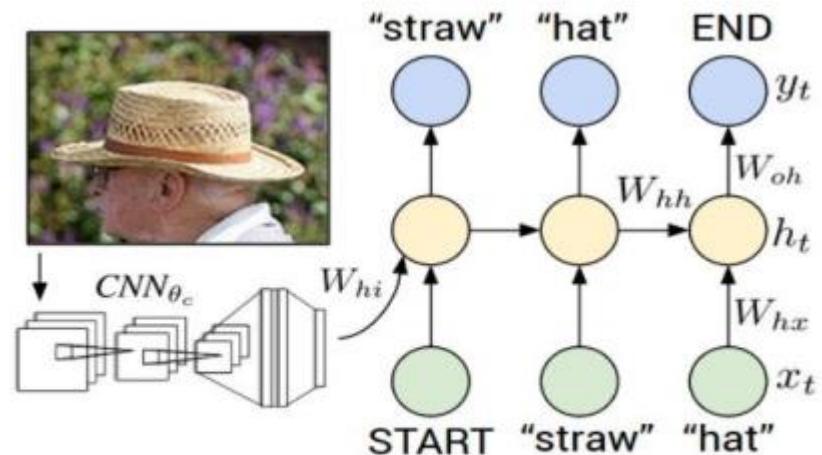
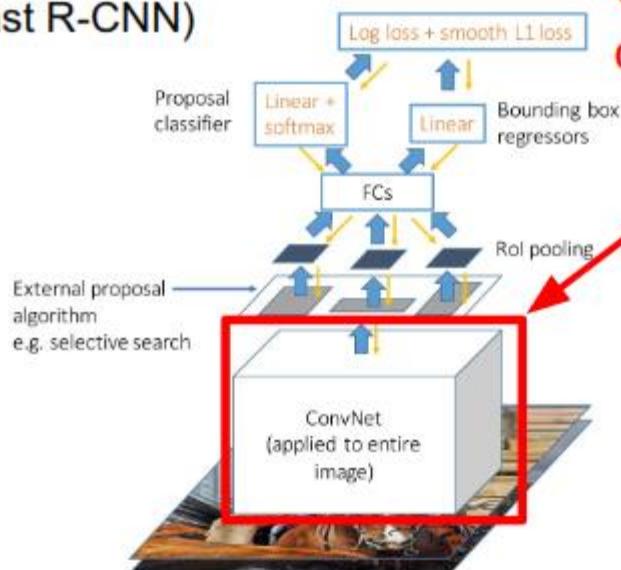


Image Captioning: CNN + RNN



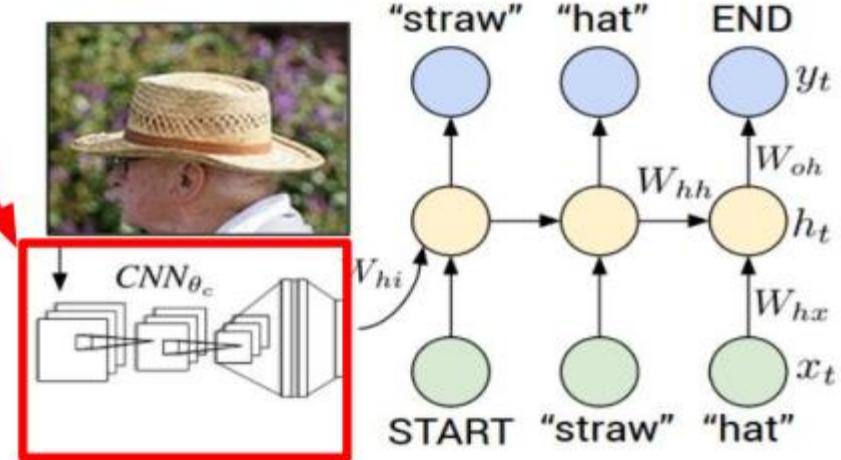
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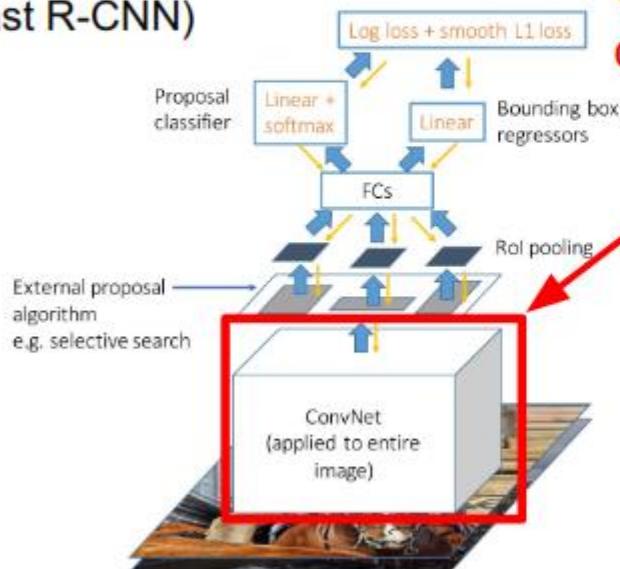
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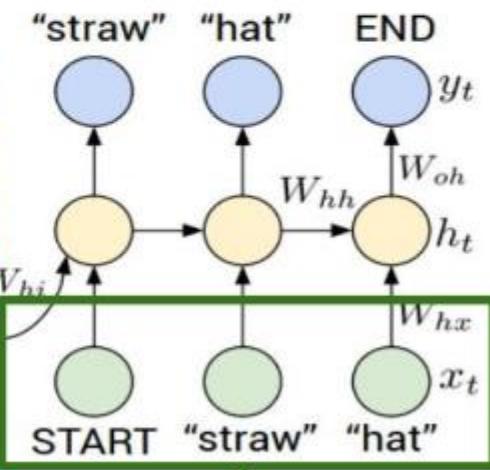
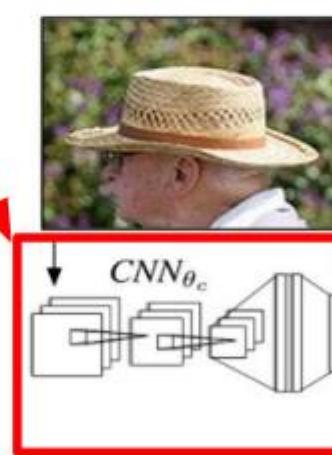
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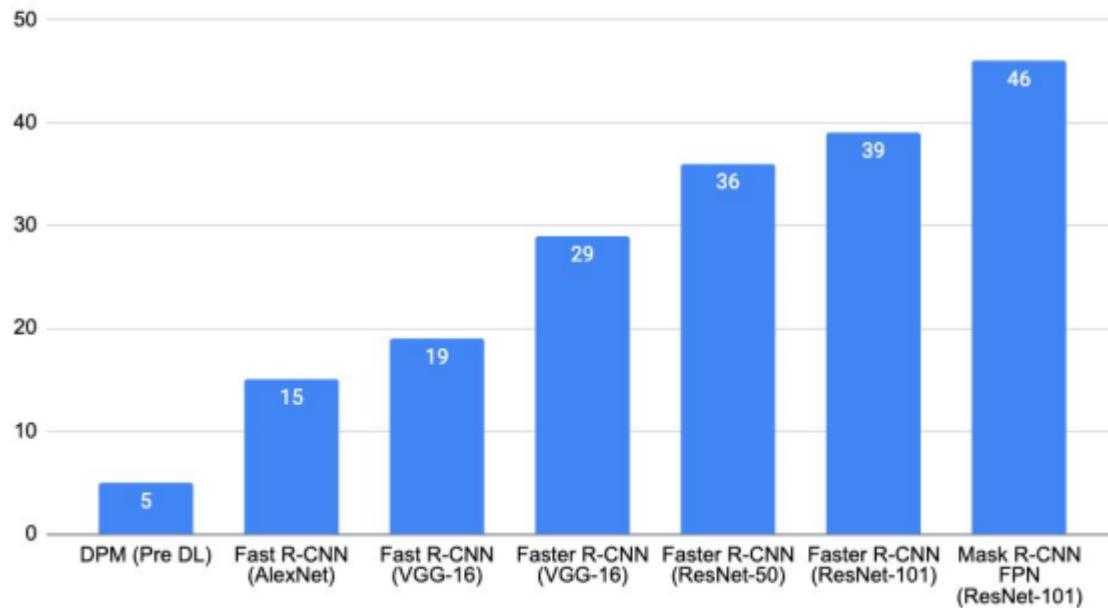


Word vectors pretrained
with word2vec

Transfer learning with CNNs

Architecture matters

Object detection on MSCOCO



Takeaway for your projects and beyond:

Have some dataset of interest but it has < ~1M images?

1. Find a very large dataset that has similar data, train a big ConvNet there
2. Transfer learn to your dataset

Deep learning frameworks provide a “Model Zoo” of pretrained models so you don’t need to train your own

TensorFlow: <https://github.com/tensorflow/models>

PyTorch: <https://github.com/pytorch/vision>

Training Neural Networks

Choosing Hyperparameters

Step 1: Check initial loss

Step 2: Overfit a small sample

Step 3: Find LR that makes loss go down

Step 4: Coarse grid, train for ~1-5 epochs

Step 5: Refine grid, train longer

Step 6: Look at loss and accuracy curves

Training Neural Networks

Setting Hyperparameters

Idea #1: Choose hyperparameters that work best on the data

BAD: $k = 1$ always works perfectly on training data

Your Dataset

Idea #2: Split data into **train** and **test**, choose hyperparameters that work best on test data

BAD: No idea how algorithm will perform on new data

train

test

Idea #3: Split data into **train**, **val**, and **test**; choose hyperparameters on val and evaluate on test

Better!

train

validation

test

Training Neural Networks

Setting Hyperparameters: **k-fold Cross-validation**

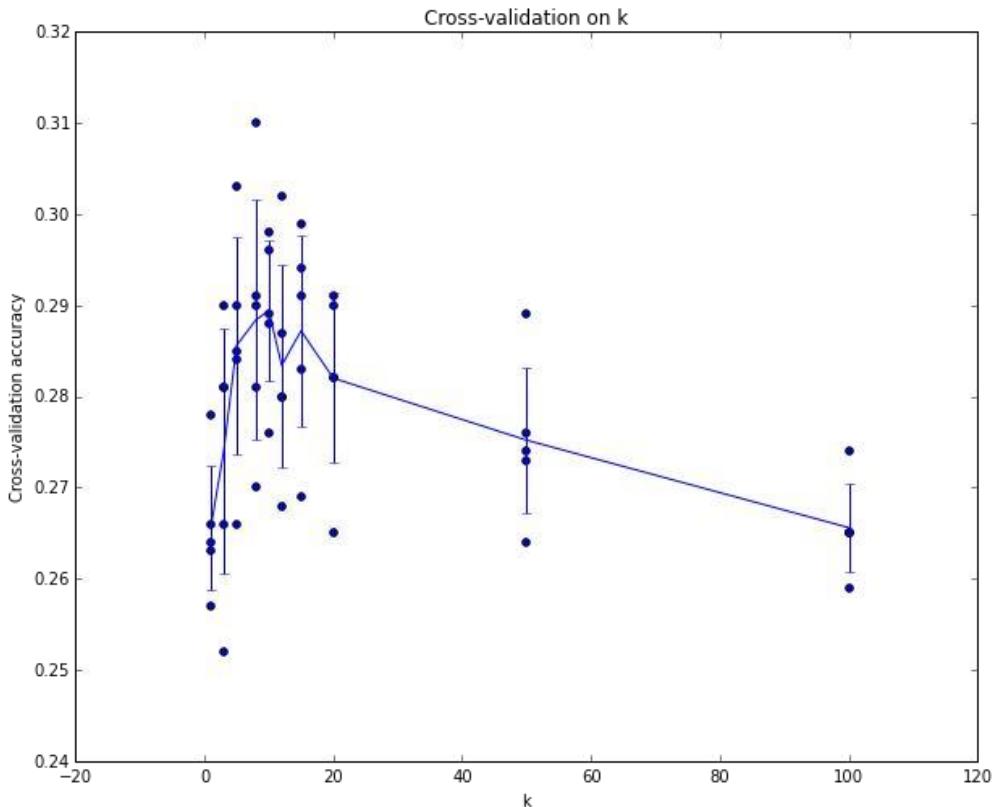
Your Dataset

Idea #4: Cross-Validation: Split data into **folds**,
try each fold as validation and average the results

fold 1	fold 2	fold 3	fold 4	fold 5	test
fold 1	fold 2	fold 3	fold 4	fold 5	test
fold 1	fold 2	fold 3	fold 4	fold 5	test

Training Neural Networks

Setting Hyperparameters: k-fold Cross-validation



Example of 5-fold cross-validation for the value of **k** in **kNN**.

Each point: single outcome.

The line goes through the mean, bars indicated standard deviation

(Seems that $k \sim 7$ works best for this data)

CPU / GPU Communication

Model
is here



Data is here

If you aren't careful, training can bottleneck on reading data and transferring to GPU!

Solutions:

- Read all data into RAM
- Use SSD instead of HDD
- Use multiple CPU threads to prefetch data

Computational Graphs

Numpy

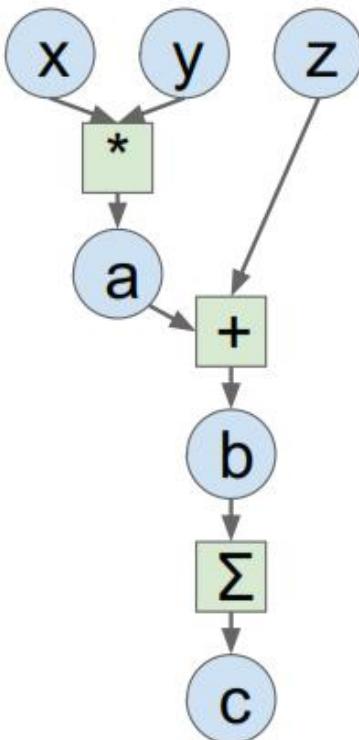
```
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(0)

N, D = 3, 4

x = np.random.randn(N, D)
y = np.random.randn(N, D)
z = np.random.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = np.sum(b)

grad_c = 1.0
grad_b = grad_c * np.ones((N, D))
grad_a = grad_b.copy()
grad_z = grad_b.copy()
grad_x = grad_a * y
grad_y = grad_a * x
```



Good:

Clean API, easy to write numeric code

Bad:

- Have to compute our own gradients
- Can't run on GPU

Computational Graphs

Numpy

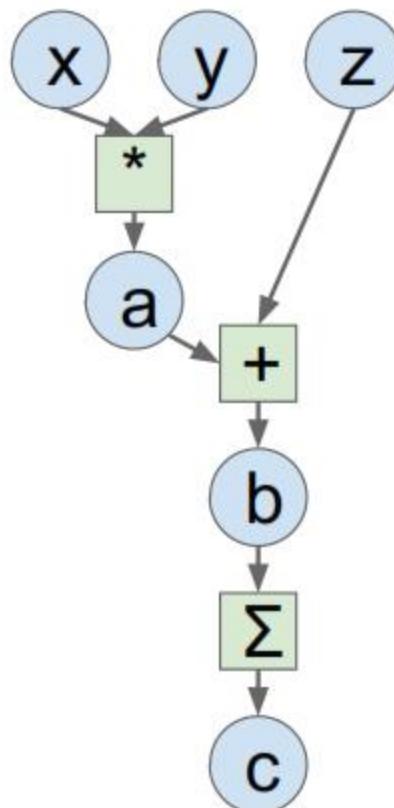
```
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(0)

N, D = 3, 4

x = np.random.randn(N, D)
y = np.random.randn(N, D)
z = np.random.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = np.sum(b)

grad_c = 1.0
grad_b = grad_c * np.ones((N, D))
grad_a = grad_b.copy()
grad_z = grad_b.copy()
grad_x = grad_a * y
grad_y = grad_a * x
```



PyTorch

```
import torch

N, D = 3, 4
x = torch.randn(N, D)
y = torch.randn(N, D)
z = torch.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = torch.sum(b)
```

Looks exactly like numpy!

Computational Graphs

Numpy

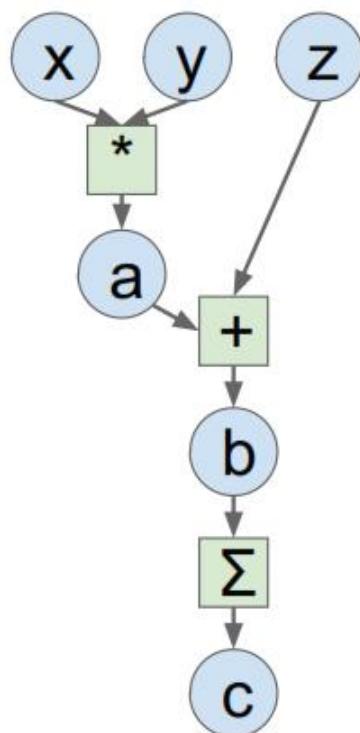
```
import numpy as np
np.random.seed(0)

N, D = 3, 4

x = np.random.randn(N, D)
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z = np.random.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = np.sum(b)

grad_c = 1.0
grad_b = grad_c * np.ones((N, D))
grad_a = grad_b.copy()
grad_z = grad_b.copy()
grad_x = grad_a * y
grad_y = grad_a * x
```



PyTorch

```
import torch

N, D = 3, 4
x = torch.randn(N, D, requires_grad=True)
y = torch.randn(N, D)
z = torch.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = torch.sum(b)

c.backward()
print(x.grad)
```

PyTorch handles gradients for us!

Computational Graphs

Numpy

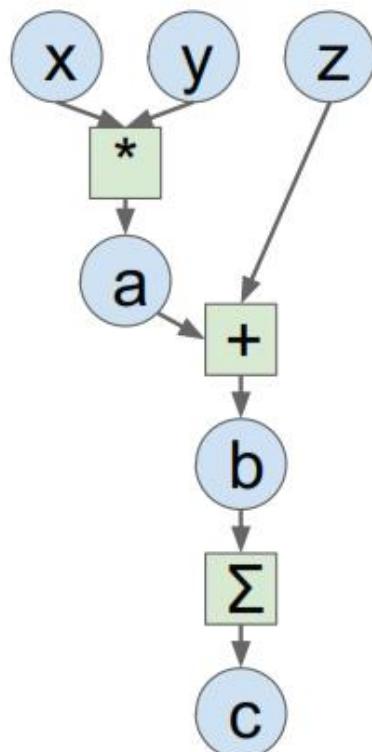
```
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N, D = 3, 4

x = np.random.randn(N, D)
y = np.random.randn(N, D)
z = np.random.randn(N, D)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = np.sum(b)

grad_c = 1.0
grad_b = grad_c * np.ones((N, D))
grad_a = grad_b.copy()
grad_z = grad_b.copy()
grad_x = grad_a * y
grad_y = grad_a * x
```



PyTorch

```
import torch
device = 'cuda:0'
N, D = 3, 4
x = torch.randn(N, D, requires_grad=True,
                device=device)
y = torch.randn(N, D, device=device)
z = torch.randn(N, D, device=device)

a = x * y
b = a + z
c = torch.sum(b)

c.backward()
print(x.grad)
```

Trivial to run on GPU - just construct arrays on a different device!

PyTorch: Fundamental Concepts

torch.Tensor: Like a numpy array, but can run on GPU

torch.autograd: Package for building computational graphs out of Tensors, and automatically computing gradients

torch.nn.Module: A neural network layer; may store state or learnable weights

Running example: Train a two-layer ReLU network on random data with L2 loss

PyTorch: Tensors

Create random tensors
for data and weights



```
import torch

device = torch.device('cpu')

N, D_in, H, D_out = 64, 1000, 100, 10
x = torch.randn(N, D_in, device=device)
y = torch.randn(N, D_out, device=device)
w1 = torch.randn(D_in, H, device=device)
w2 = torch.randn(H, D_out, device=device)
```

Forward pass: compute
predictions and loss



```
learning_rate = 1e-6
for t in range(500):
    h = x.mm(w1)
    h_relu = h.clamp(min=0)
    y_pred = h_relu.mm(w2)
    loss = (y_pred - y).pow(2).sum()
```

Backward pass:
manually compute
gradients



```
grad_y_pred = 2.0 * (y_pred - y)
grad_w2 = h_relu.t().mm(grad_y_pred)
grad_h_relu = grad_y_pred.mm(w2.t())
grad_h = grad_h_relu.clone()
grad_h[h < 0] = 0
grad_w1 = x.t().mm(grad_h)
```

Gradient descent
step on weights



```
w1 -= learning_rate * grad_w1
w2 -= learning_rate * grad_w2
```

To run on GPU, just use a
different device!

```
device = torch.device('cuda:0')
```

PyTorch: Autograd

Operations on Tensors with
`requires_grad=True` cause PyTorch
to build a computational graph

Forward pass looks exactly
the same as before, but we
don't need to track
intermediate values -
PyTorch keeps track of them
for us in the graph

Compute gradient of loss
with respect to w1 and w2

Make gradient step on weights, then zero
them. `torch.no_grad` means "don't build a
computational graph for this part"

PyTorch methods that end in underscore
modify the Tensor in-place; methods that
don't return a new Tensor

Creating Tensors with
`requires_grad=True` enables
autograd

```
import torch

N, D_in, H, D_out = 64, 1000, 100, 10
x = torch.randn(N, D_in)
y = torch.randn(N, D_out)
w1 = torch.randn(D_in, H, requires_grad=True)
w2 = torch.randn(H, D_out, requires_grad=True)

learning_rate = 1e-6
for t in range(500):
    y_pred = x.mm(w1).clamp(min=0).mm(w2)
    loss = (y_pred - y).pow(2).sum()

    loss.backward()

    with torch.no_grad():
        w1 -= learning_rate * w1.grad
        w2 -= learning_rate * w2.grad
        w1.grad.zero_()
        w2.grad.zero_()
```

PyTorch: nn

Define our model as a sequence of layers; each layer is an object that holds learnable weights

Forward pass: feed data to model, and compute loss

Backward pass: compute gradient with respect to all model weights (they have `requires_grad=True`)

Make gradient step on each model parameter (with gradients disabled)

Higher-level wrapper for working with neural nets

`torch.nn.functional` has useful helpers like loss functions

```
import torch

N, D_in, H, D_out = 64, 1000, 100, 10
x = torch.randn(N, D_in)
y = torch.randn(N, D_out)

model = torch.nn.Sequential(
    torch.nn.Linear(D_in, H),
    torch.nn.ReLU(),
    torch.nn.Linear(H, D_out))

learning_rate = 1e-2
for t in range(500):
    y_pred = model(x)
    loss = torch.nn.functional.mse_loss(y_pred, y)

    loss.backward()

    with torch.no_grad():
        for param in model.parameters():
            param -= learning_rate * param.grad
    model.zero_grad()
```

PyTorch: optim

Use an **optimizer** for different update rules

```
import torch

N, D_in, H, D_out = 64, 1000, 100, 10
x = torch.randn(N, D_in)
y = torch.randn(N, D_out)

model = torch.nn.Sequential(
    torch.nn.Linear(D_in, H),
    torch.nn.ReLU(),
    torch.nn.Linear(H, D_out))

learning_rate = 1e-4
optimizer = torch.optim.Adam(model.parameters(),
                             lr=learning_rate)

for t in range(500):
    y_pred = model(x)
    loss = torch.nn.functional.mse_loss(y_pred, y)
```

loss.backward()

```
optimizer.step()
optimizer.zero_grad()
```

After computing gradients, use optimizer to update params and zero gradients

PyTorch: Pretrained Models

Super easy to use pretrained models with torchvision

<https://github.com/pytorch/vision>

```
import torch
import torchvision

alexnet = torchvision.models.alexnet(pretrained=True)
vgg16 = torchvision.models.vgg16(pretrained=True)
resnet101 = torchvision.models.resnet101(pretrained=True)
```