FullyConnectedNets

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[0]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
   # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
   # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   FOLDERNAME = 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
   # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
   # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
   # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
   # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
   # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
   !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
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1 Fully-Connected Neural Nets

In the previous homework you implemented a fully-connected two-layer neural network on CIFAR-10. The implementation was simple but not very modular since the loss and gradient were computed in a single monolithic function. This is manageable for a simple two-layer network, but would become impractical as we move to bigger models. Ideally we want to build networks using a more modular design so that we can implement different layer types in isolation and then snap them together into models with different architectures.

In this exercise we will implement fully-connected networks using a more modular approach. For each layer we will implement a forward and a backward function. The forward function will receive inputs, weights, and other parameters and will return both an output and a cache object storing data needed for the backward pass, like this:

```
def layer_forward(x, w):
    """ Receive inputs x and weights w """
    # Do some computations ...
    z = # ... some intermediate value
    # Do some more computations ...
    out = # the output

cache = (x, w, z, out) # Values we need to compute gradients
    return out, cache
```

The backward pass will receive upstream derivatives and the cache object, and will return gradients with respect to the inputs and weights, like this:

```
def layer_backward(dout, cache):
    """
    Receive dout (derivative of loss with respect to outputs) and cache,
    and compute derivative with respect to inputs.
    """
    # Unpack cache values
    x, w, z, out = cache

# Use values in cache to compute derivatives
    dx = # Derivative of loss with respect to x
    dw = # Derivative of loss with respect to w

return dx, dw
```

After implementing a bunch of layers this way, we will be able to easily combine them to build classifiers with different architectures.

In addition to implementing fully-connected networks of arbitrary depth, we will also explore different update rules for optimization, and introduce Dropout as a regularizer and Batch/Layer Normalization as a tool to more efficiently optimize deep networks.

```
[0]: # As usual, a bit of setup
from __future__ import print_function
```

```
import time
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from cs231n.classifiers.fc_net import *
from cs231n.data_utils import get_CIFAR10_data
from cs231n.gradient_check import eval_numerical_gradient,_
 →eval_numerical_gradient_array
from cs231n.solver import Solver
%matplotlib inline
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10.0, 8.0) # set default size of plots
plt.rcParams['image.interpolation'] = 'nearest'
plt.rcParams['image.cmap'] = 'gray'
# for auto-reloading external modules
# see http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1907993/
\rightarrow autoreload-of-modules-in-ipython
%load_ext autoreload
%autoreload 2
def rel_error(x, y):
  """ returns relative error """
  return np.max(np.abs(x - y) / (np.maximum(1e-8, np.abs(x) + np.abs(y))))
```

======= You can safely ignore the message below if you are NOT working on ConvolutionalNetworks.ipynb ========

You will need to compile a Cython extension for a portion of this assignment.

The instructions to do this will be given in a section of the notebook below.

There will be an option for Colab users and another for Jupyter (local) users.

```
[0]: # Load the (preprocessed) CIFAR10 data.

data = get_CIFAR10_data()
    for k, v in list(data.items()):
        print(('%s: ' % k, v.shape))

('X_train: ', (49000, 3, 32, 32))
    ('y_train: ', (49000,))
    ('X_val: ', (1000, 3, 32, 32))
    ('y_val: ', (1000,))
    ('X_test: ', (1000, 3, 32, 32))
    ('y_test: ', (1000,))
```

2 Affine layer: forward

Open the file cs231n/layers.py and implement the affine_forward function.

Once you are done you can test your implementation by running the following:

```
[0]: # Test the affine_forward function
   num_inputs = 2
   input\_shape = (4, 5, 6)
   output_dim = 3
   input_size = num_inputs * np.prod(input_shape)
   weight_size = output_dim * np.prod(input_shape)
   x = np.linspace(-0.1, 0.5, num=input_size).reshape(num_inputs, *input_shape)
   w = np.linspace(-0.2, 0.3, num=weight_size).reshape(np.prod(input_shape),_
    →output_dim)
   b = np.linspace(-0.3, 0.1, num=output_dim)
   out, _ = affine_forward(x, w, b)
   correct_out = np.array([[ 1.49834967,  1.70660132,  1.91485297],
                            [ 3.25553199, 3.5141327, 3.77273342]])
   # Compare your output with ours. The error should be around e-9 or less.
   print('Testing affine forward function:')
   print('difference: ', rel_error(out, correct_out))
```

Testing affine_forward function: difference: 9.769849468192957e-10

3 Affine layer: backward

Now implement the affine_backward function and test your implementation using numeric gradient checking.

```
[0]: # Test the affine_backward function
    np.random.seed(231)
    x = np.random.randn(10, 2, 3)
    w = np.random.randn(6, 5)
    b = np.random.randn(5)
    dout = np.random.randn(10, 5)

dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: affine_forward(x, w, b)[0], x,u
    dout)
    dw_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda w: affine_forward(x, w, b)[0], w,u
    dout)
    db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda b: affine_forward(x, w, b)[0], b,u
    dout)
```

```
_, cache = affine_forward(x, w, b)
dx, dw, db = affine_backward(dout, cache)

# The error should be around e-10 or less
print('Testing affine_backward function:')
print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
print('dw error: ', rel_error(dw_num, dw))
print('db error: ', rel_error(db_num, db))
```

Testing affine_backward function: dx error: 5.399100368651805e-11 dw error: 9.904211865398145e-11 db error: 2.4122867568119087e-11

4 ReLU activation: forward

Implement the forward pass for the ReLU activation function in the relu_forward function and test your implementation using the following:

Testing relu_forward function: difference: 4.999999798022158e-08

5 ReLU activation: backward

Now implement the backward pass for the ReLU activation function in the relu_backward function and test your implementation using numeric gradient checking:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
    x = np.random.randn(10, 10)
    dout = np.random.randn(*x.shape)

dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: relu_forward(x)[0], x, dout)
    _, cache = relu_forward(x)
```

```
dx = relu_backward(dout, cache)

# The error should be on the order of e-12
print('Testing relu_backward function:')
print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
```

```
Testing relu_backward function: dx error: 3.2756349136310288e-12
```

5.1 Inline Question 1:

We've only asked you to implement ReLU, but there are a number of different activation functions that one could use in neural networks, each with its pros and cons. In particular, an issue commonly seen with activation functions is getting zero (or close to zero) gradient flow during backpropagation. Which of the following activation functions have this problem? If you consider these functions in the one dimensional case, what types of input would lead to this behaviour? 1. Sigmoid 2. ReLU 3. Leaky ReLU

5.2 Answer:

Sigmoid has the zero-gradient problem both with positive and negative inputs that are not close to zero. For example, an input of x=5 gives an output of ~ 0.993 with sigmoid, where the gradient is close to zero already.

ReLU has the problem only when the input is negative. The gradient does not get squashed with positive inputs, but it gets completely squashed with any negative input, leading to a 'dead' ReLU.

A leaky ReLU does not have the gradient squashing problem.

6 "Sandwich" layers

There are some common patterns of layers that are frequently used in neural nets. For example, affine layers are frequently followed by a ReLU nonlinearity. To make these common patterns easy, we define several convenience layers in the file cs231n/layer_utils.py.

For now take a look at the affine_relu_forward and affine_relu_backward functions, and run the following to numerically gradient check the backward pass:

```
dw_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda w: affine_relu_forward(x, w, u ob)[0], w, dout)
db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda b: affine_relu_forward(x, w, u ob)[0], b, dout)

# Relative error should be around e-10 or less
print('Testing affine_relu_forward and affine_relu_backward:')
print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
print('dw error: ', rel_error(dw_num, dw))
print('db error: ', rel_error(db_num, db))
```

Testing affine_relu_forward and affine_relu_backward:

dx error: 2.299579177309368e-11
dw error: 8.162011105764925e-11
db error: 7.826724021458994e-12

7 Loss layers: Softmax and SVM

You implemented these loss functions in the last assignment, so we'll give them to you for free here. You should still make sure you understand how they work by looking at the implementations in cs231n/layers.py.

You can make sure that the implementations are correct by running the following:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
    num_classes, num_inputs = 10, 50
    x = 0.001 * np.random.randn(num_inputs, num_classes)
    y = np.random.randint(num_classes, size=num_inputs)
    dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient(lambda x: svm_loss(x, y)[0], x, verbose=False)
    loss, dx = svm_loss(x, y)
    # Test sum_loss function. Loss should be around 9 and dx error should be around_
    \rightarrow the order of e-9
    print('Testing svm_loss:')
    print('loss: ', loss)
    print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
    dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient(lambda x: softmax_loss(x, y)[0], x,_u
     →verbose=False)
    loss, dx = softmax_loss(x, y)
    # Test softmax_loss function. Loss should be close to 2.3 and dx error should _{\! \sqcup}
    \rightarrowbe around e-8
    print('\nTesting softmax_loss:')
    print('loss: ', loss)
    print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
```

```
Testing svm_loss:
loss: 8.999602749096233
dx error: 1.4021566006651672e-09
Testing softmax_loss:
loss: 2.302545844500738
dx error: 9.384673161989355e-09
```

8 Two-layer network

In the previous assignment you implemented a two-layer neural network in a single monolithic class. Now that you have implemented modular versions of the necessary layers, you will reimplement the two layer network using these modular implementations.

Open the file cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py and complete the implementation of the TwoLayerNet class. This class will serve as a model for the other networks you will implement in this assignment, so read through it to make sure you understand the API. You can run the cell below to test your implementation.

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
   N, D, H, C = 3, 5, 50, 7
   X = np.random.randn(N, D)
   y = np.random.randint(C, size=N)
   std = 1e-3
   model = TwoLayerNet(input_dim=D, hidden_dim=H, num_classes=C, weight_scale=std)
   print('Testing initialization ... ')
   W1_std = abs(model.params['W1'].std() - std)
   b1 = model.params['b1']
   W2 std = abs(model.params['W2'].std() - std)
   b2 = model.params['b2']
   assert W1_std < std / 10, 'First layer weights do not seem right'
   assert np.all(b1 == 0), 'First layer biases do not seem right'
   assert W2_std < std / 10, 'Second layer weights do not seem right'
   assert np.all(b2 == 0), 'Second layer biases do not seem right'
   print('Testing test-time forward pass ... ')
   model.params['W1'] = np.linspace(-0.7, 0.3, num=D*H).reshape(D, H)
   model.params['b1'] = np.linspace(-0.1, 0.9, num=H)
   model.params['W2'] = np.linspace(-0.3, 0.4, num=H*C).reshape(H, C)
   model.params['b2'] = np.linspace(-0.9, 0.1, num=C)
   X = np.linspace(-5.5, 4.5, num=N*D).reshape(D, N).T
   scores = model.loss(X)
   correct_scores = np.asarray(
      [[11.53165108, 12.2917344, 13.05181771, 13.81190102, 14.57198434, 15.
     \rightarrow 33206765, 16.09215096],
```

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[12.05769098, 12.74614105, 13.43459113, 14.1230412, 14.81149128, 15.
 →49994135, 16.18839143],
   [12.58373087, 13.20054771, 13.81736455, 14.43418138, 15.05099822, 15.
 →66781506, 16.2846319 ]])
scores_diff = np.abs(scores - correct_scores).sum()
assert scores diff < 1e-6, 'Problem with test-time forward pass'
print('Testing training loss (no regularization)')
y = np.asarray([0, 5, 1])
loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
correct_loss = 3.4702243556
assert abs(loss - correct_loss) < 1e-10, 'Problem with training-time loss'
model.reg = 1.0
loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
correct_loss = 26.5948426952
assert abs(loss - correct_loss) < 1e-10, 'Problem with regularization loss'
# Errors should be around e-7 or less
for reg in [0.0, 0.7]:
  print('Running numeric gradient check with reg = ', reg)
  model.reg = reg
  loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
  for name in sorted(grads):
    f = lambda _: model.loss(X, y)[0]
    grad num = eval numerical gradient(f, model.params[name], verbose=False)
    print('%s relative error: %.2e' % (name, rel_error(grad_num, grads[name])))
Testing initialization ...
Testing test-time forward pass ...
Testing training loss (no regularization)
Running numeric gradient check with reg = 0.0
W1 relative error: 1.83e-08
W2 relative error: 3.12e-10
b1 relative error: 9.83e-09
```

```
Running numeric gradient check with reg = 0.0
W1 relative error: 1.83e-08
W2 relative error: 3.12e-10
b1 relative error: 9.83e-09
b2 relative error: 4.33e-10
Running numeric gradient check with reg = 0.7
W1 relative error: 2.53e-07
W2 relative error: 2.85e-08
b1 relative error: 1.56e-08
b2 relative error: 7.76e-10
```

9 Solver

In the previous assignment, the logic for training models was coupled to the models themselves. Following a more modular design, for this assignment we have split the logic for training models

into a separate class.

Open the file cs231n/solver.py and read through it to familiarize yourself with the API. After doing so, use a Solver instance to train a TwoLayerNet that achieves at least 50% accuracy on the validation set.

```
[0]: model = TwoLayerNet()
   solver = None
   # TODO: Use a Solver instance to train a TwoLayerNet that achieves at least #
   # 50% accuracy on the validation set.
   # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
   model_data = {}
   model_data['X_train'] = data['X_train']
   model_data['X_val'] = data['X_val']
   model_data['y_train'] = data['y_train']
   model_data['y_val'] = data['y_val']
   results = {}
   best val = 0
   hidden_size = [100]
   reg_strength = [4.7e-4]
   learn_rate = [1.8e-3]
   for H in hidden_size:
     for strength in reg_strength:
      for rate in learn_rate:
        model = TwoLayerNet(hidden_dim=H, reg=strength)
        solver = Solver(model, model data,
                      update_rule='sgd',
                      optim_config={
                          'learning_rate': rate,
                      lr_decay = 0.95,
                      num_epochs=10, batch_size=600,
                      print_every=1000)
        solver.train()
        results[(H, strength, rate)] = (solver.train_acc_history[-1], solver.
    →best_val_acc)
        if solver.best_val_acc > best_val:
          best_val = solver.best_val_acc
          best model = model
          best_solver = solver
```

```
(Iteration 1 / 810) loss: 2.301930

(Epoch 0 / 10) train acc: 0.144000; val_acc: 0.137000

(Epoch 1 / 10) train acc: 0.396000; val_acc: 0.413000

(Epoch 2 / 10) train acc: 0.433000; val_acc: 0.440000

(Epoch 3 / 10) train acc: 0.463000; val_acc: 0.462000

(Epoch 4 / 10) train acc: 0.512000; val_acc: 0.456000

(Epoch 5 / 10) train acc: 0.500000; val_acc: 0.445000

(Epoch 6 / 10) train acc: 0.521000; val_acc: 0.483000

(Epoch 7 / 10) train acc: 0.496000; val_acc: 0.471000

(Epoch 8 / 10) train acc: 0.518000; val_acc: 0.495000

(Epoch 9 / 10) train acc: 0.543000; val_acc: 0.502000

(Epoch 10 / 10) train acc: 0.583000; val_acc: 0.510000

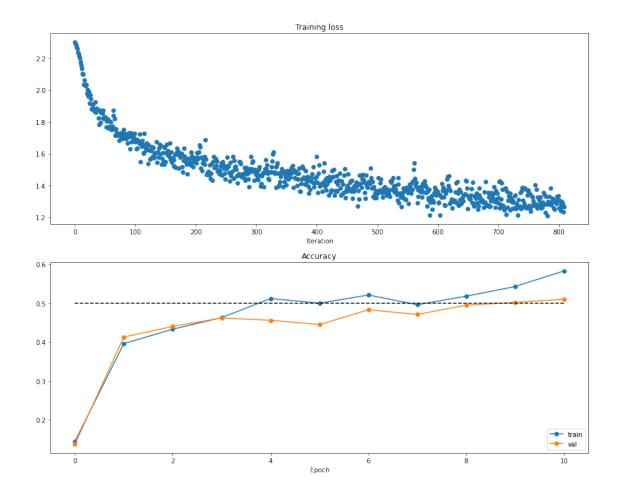
validation accuracy: 0.51

(100, 0.00047, 0.0018) (0.583, 0.51)
```

```
[0]: # Run this cell to visualize training loss and train / val accuracy

plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
plt.title('Training loss')
plt.plot(solver.loss_history, 'o')
plt.xlabel('Iteration')

plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
plt.title('Accuracy')
plt.plot(solver.train_acc_history, '-o', label='train')
plt.plot(solver.val_acc_history, '-o', label='val')
plt.plot([0.5] * len(solver.val_acc_history), 'k--')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
plt.legend(loc='lower right')
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 12)
plt.show()
```



10 Multilayer network

Next you will implement a fully-connected network with an arbitrary number of hidden layers. Read through the FullyConnectedNet class in the file cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py.

Implement the initialization, the forward pass, and the backward pass. For the moment don't worry about implementing dropout or batch/layer normalization; we will add those features soon.

10.1 Initial loss and gradient check

As a sanity check, run the following to check the initial loss and to gradient check the network both with and without regularization. Do the initial losses seem reasonable?

For gradient checking, you should expect to see errors around 1e-7 or less.

```
[25]: np.random.seed(231)
    N, D, H1, H2, C = 2, 15, 20, 30, 10
    X = np.random.randn(N, D)
    y = np.random.randint(C, size=(N,))
```

```
Running check with reg = 0
Initial loss: 2.3004790897684924
W1 relative error: 1.48e-07
W2 relative error: 2.21e-05
W3 relative error: 3.53e-07
b1 relative error: 5.38e-09
b2 relative error: 2.09e-09
b3 relative error: 5.80e-11
Running check with reg = 3.14
Initial loss: 7.052114776533016
W1 relative error: 1.04e-08
W2 relative error: 6.87e-08
W3 relative error: 1.32e-08
b1 relative error: 1.48e-08
b2 relative error: 1.72e-09
b3 relative error: 1.80e-10
```

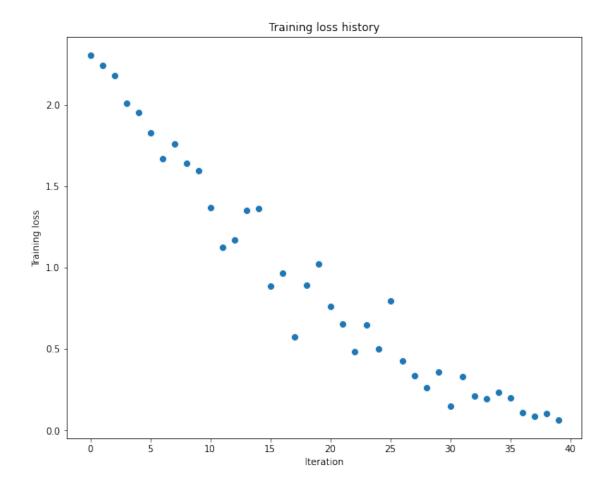
As another sanity check, make sure you can overfit a small dataset of 50 images. First we will try a three-layer network with 100 units in each hidden layer. In the following cell, tweak the **learning rate** and **weight initialization scale** to overfit and achieve 100% training accuracy within 20 epochs.

```
[31]: # TODO: Use a three-layer Net to overfit 50 training examples by
# tweaking just the learning rate and initialization scale.

num_train = 50
small_data = {
    'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
    'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
    'X_val': data['X_val'],
    'y_val': data['Y_val'],
```

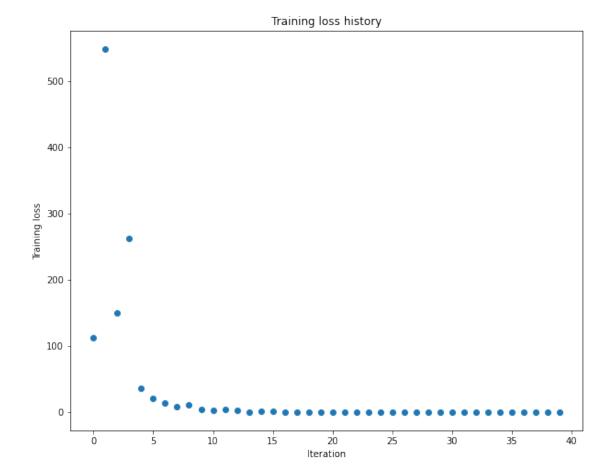
```
}
weight_scale = 1e-2
                      # Experiment with this!
learning_rate = 7e-3 # Experiment with this!
model = FullyConnectedNet([100, 100],
              weight_scale=weight_scale, dtype=np.float64)
solver = Solver(model, small_data,
                print_every=10, num_epochs=20, batch_size=25,
                update_rule='sgd',
                optim_config={
                  'learning_rate': learning_rate,
solver.train()
plt.plot(solver.loss_history, 'o')
plt.title('Training loss history')
plt.xlabel('Iteration')
plt.ylabel('Training loss')
plt.show()
```

```
(Iteration 1 / 40) loss: 2.305551
(Epoch 0 / 20) train acc: 0.220000; val_acc: 0.121000
(Epoch 1 / 20) train acc: 0.300000; val_acc: 0.119000
(Epoch 2 / 20) train acc: 0.520000; val_acc: 0.164000
(Epoch 3 / 20) train acc: 0.420000; val_acc: 0.155000
(Epoch 4 / 20) train acc: 0.540000; val_acc: 0.172000
(Epoch 5 / 20) train acc: 0.620000; val acc: 0.153000
(Iteration 11 / 40) loss: 1.368011
(Epoch 6 / 20) train acc: 0.540000; val acc: 0.170000
(Epoch 7 / 20) train acc: 0.620000; val_acc: 0.172000
(Epoch 8 / 20) train acc: 0.760000; val_acc: 0.192000
(Epoch 9 / 20) train acc: 0.820000; val_acc: 0.196000
(Epoch 10 / 20) train acc: 0.940000; val acc: 0.186000
(Iteration 21 / 40) loss: 0.761084
(Epoch 11 / 20) train acc: 0.840000; val_acc: 0.192000
(Epoch 12 / 20) train acc: 0.860000; val_acc: 0.164000
(Epoch 13 / 20) train acc: 0.940000; val_acc: 0.194000
(Epoch 14 / 20) train acc: 0.960000; val_acc: 0.188000
(Epoch 15 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.180000
(Iteration 31 / 40) loss: 0.147883
(Epoch 16 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.202000
(Epoch 17 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val acc: 0.173000
(Epoch 18 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.178000
(Epoch 19 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val acc: 0.201000
(Epoch 20 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.195000
```



Now try to use a five-layer network with 100 units on each layer to overfit 50 training examples. Again, you will have to adjust the learning rate and weight initialization scale, but you should be able to achieve 100% training accuracy within 20 epochs.

```
(Iteration 1 / 40) loss: 112.154177
(Epoch 0 / 20) train acc: 0.140000; val_acc: 0.102000
(Epoch 1 / 20) train acc: 0.120000; val_acc: 0.115000
(Epoch 2 / 20) train acc: 0.220000; val_acc: 0.090000
(Epoch 3 / 20) train acc: 0.340000; val acc: 0.097000
(Epoch 4 / 20) train acc: 0.520000; val_acc: 0.116000
(Epoch 5 / 20) train acc: 0.580000; val_acc: 0.147000
(Iteration 11 / 40) loss: 2.458513
(Epoch 6 / 20) train acc: 0.640000; val_acc: 0.142000
(Epoch 7 / 20) train acc: 0.840000; val_acc: 0.136000
(Epoch 8 / 20) train acc: 0.880000; val_acc: 0.138000
(Epoch 9 / 20) train acc: 0.920000; val_acc: 0.138000
(Epoch 10 / 20) train acc: 0.960000; val_acc: 0.143000
(Iteration 21 / 40) loss: 0.148317
(Epoch 11 / 20) train acc: 0.960000; val acc: 0.139000
(Epoch 12 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val acc: 0.134000
(Epoch 13 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.133000
(Epoch 14 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.134000
(Epoch 15 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.132000
(Iteration 31 / 40) loss: 0.004514
(Epoch 16 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.132000
(Epoch 17 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.132000
(Epoch 18 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.129000
(Epoch 19 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.132000
(Epoch 20 / 20) train acc: 1.000000; val_acc: 0.130000
```



10.2 Inline Question 2:

Did you notice anything about the comparative difficulty of training the three-layer net vs training the five layer net? In particular, based on your experience, which network seemed more sensitive to the initialization scale? Why do you think that is the case?

10.3 Answer:

Training the five-layer net took more trial and error to find the right parameters that would overfit. The five-layer net seemed more sensitive to the initialization rate.

This is because the weights are being multiplied through a larger number of layerers, such that a very small weight initialization will lead to very small numbers being multiplied over and over again, which will squash the gradient to zero. On the other hand, large numbers will lead to an explosion in the values of the gradients and we would have very positive or very negative values, and then a sigmoid activation function will also lead to gradients at zero.

11 Update rules

So far we have used vanilla stochastic gradient descent (SGD) as our update rule. More sophisticated update rules can make it easier to train deep networks. We will implement a few of the most commonly used update rules and compare them to vanilla SGD.

12 SGD+Momentum

Stochastic gradient descent with momentum is a widely used update rule that tends to make deep networks converge faster than vanilla stochastic gradient descent. See the Momentum Update section at http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3/#sgd for more information.

Open the file cs231n/optim.py and read the documentation at the top of the file to make sure you understand the API. Implement the SGD+momentum update rule in the function sgd_momentum and run the following to check your implementation. You should see errors less than e-8.

```
[45]: from cs231n.optim import sgd_momentum
    N, D = 4, 5
    w = np.linspace(-0.4, 0.6, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    dw = np.linspace(-0.6, 0.4, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    v = np.linspace(0.6, 0.9, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    config = {'learning_rate': 1e-3, 'velocity': v}
    next_w, _ = sgd_momentum(w, dw, config=config)
    expected_next_w = np.asarray([
                 0.20738947, 0.27417895, 0.34096842, 0.40775789],
      [0.1406,
       [0.47454737, 0.54133684, 0.60812632, 0.67491579, 0.74170526],
       [ 0.80849474, 0.87528421, 0.94207368, 1.00886316, 1.07565263],
       [ 1.14244211, 1.20923158, 1.27602105, 1.34281053, 1.4096
                                                                     ]])
    expected_velocity = np.asarray([
       [ 0.5406,
                 0.55475789, 0.56891579, 0.58307368, 0.59723158],
       [0.61138947, 0.62554737, 0.63970526, 0.65386316, 0.66802105],
       [ 0.68217895, 0.69633684, 0.71049474, 0.72465263, 0.73881053],
       [ 0.75296842, 0.76712632, 0.78128421, 0.79544211, 0.8096
                                                                     ]])
     # Should see relative errors around e-8 or less
     print('next_w error: ', rel_error(next_w, expected_next_w))
    print('velocity error: ', rel_error(expected_velocity, config['velocity']))
```

```
next_w error: 8.882347033505819e-09 velocity error: 4.269287743278663e-09
```

Once you have done so, run the following to train a six-layer network with both SGD and SGD+momentum. You should see the SGD+momentum update rule converge faster.

```
[46]: num_train = 4000 small_data = {
```

```
'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
  'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
  'X_val': data['X_val'],
  'y_val': data['y_val'],
solvers = {}
for update_rule in ['sgd', 'sgd_momentum']:
  print('running with ', update_rule)
  model = FullyConnectedNet([100, 100, 100, 100, 100], weight_scale=5e-2)
  solver = Solver(model, small_data,
                  num_epochs=5, batch_size=100,
                  update_rule=update_rule,
                  optim_config={
                    'learning_rate': 5e-3,
                  },
                  verbose=True)
  solvers[update_rule] = solver
  solver.train()
  print()
plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
plt.title('Training loss')
plt.xlabel('Iteration')
plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
plt.title('Training accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
plt.title('Validation accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
for update_rule, solver in solvers.items():
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
  plt.plot(solver.loss_history, 'o', label="loss_%s" % update_rule)
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
  plt.plot(solver.train_acc_history, '-o', label="train_acc_%s" % update_rule)
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
 plt.plot(solver.val_acc_history, '-o', label="val_acc_%s" % update_rule)
for i in [1, 2, 3]:
  plt.subplot(3, 1, i)
```

```
plt.legend(loc='upper center', ncol=4)
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 15)
plt.show()
running with sgd
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 3.341925
(Epoch 0 / 5) train acc: 0.109000; val_acc: 0.099000
(Iteration 11 / 200) loss: 2.317266
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 2.249235
(Iteration 31 / 200) loss: 2.176510
(Epoch 1 / 5) train acc: 0.220000; val_acc: 0.243000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 2.049323
(Iteration 51 / 200) loss: 2.097108
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 2.029066
(Iteration 71 / 200) loss: 2.036509
(Epoch 2 / 5) train acc: 0.298000; val_acc: 0.258000
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 2.052352
(Iteration 91 / 200) loss: 2.068948
(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.866273
(Iteration 111 / 200) loss: 1.890652
(Epoch 3 / 5) train acc: 0.326000; val_acc: 0.284000
(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.835669
(Iteration 131 / 200) loss: 1.925990
(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.800854
(Iteration 151 / 200) loss: 1.961298
(Epoch 4 / 5) train acc: 0.334000; val_acc: 0.299000
(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 1.712157
(Iteration 171 / 200) loss: 1.899935
(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 1.823403
(Iteration 191 / 200) loss: 1.857860
(Epoch 5 / 5) train acc: 0.378000; val_acc: 0.313000
running with sgd_momentum
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 2.804206
(Epoch 0 / 5) train acc: 0.137000; val_acc: 0.125000
(Iteration 11 / 200) loss: 2.294321
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 2.200328
(Iteration 31 / 200) loss: 2.121534
(Epoch 1 / 5) train acc: 0.321000; val_acc: 0.270000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 2.008123
(Iteration 51 / 200) loss: 1.962180
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 1.767182
(Iteration 71 / 200) loss: 1.691671
(Epoch 2 / 5) train acc: 0.384000; val_acc: 0.332000
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 1.719510
(Iteration 91 / 200) loss: 1.795520
(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.525842
```

```
(Iteration 111 / 200) loss: 1.800901

(Epoch 3 / 5) train acc: 0.458000; val_acc: 0.345000

(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.498861

(Iteration 131 / 200) loss: 1.438310

(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.534287

(Iteration 151 / 200) loss: 1.223030

(Epoch 4 / 5) train acc: 0.543000; val_acc: 0.335000

(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 1.535759

(Iteration 171 / 200) loss: 1.247774

(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 1.415559

(Iteration 191 / 200) loss: 1.339245

(Epoch 5 / 5) train acc: 0.557000; val_acc: 0.363000
```

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:39:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:42:

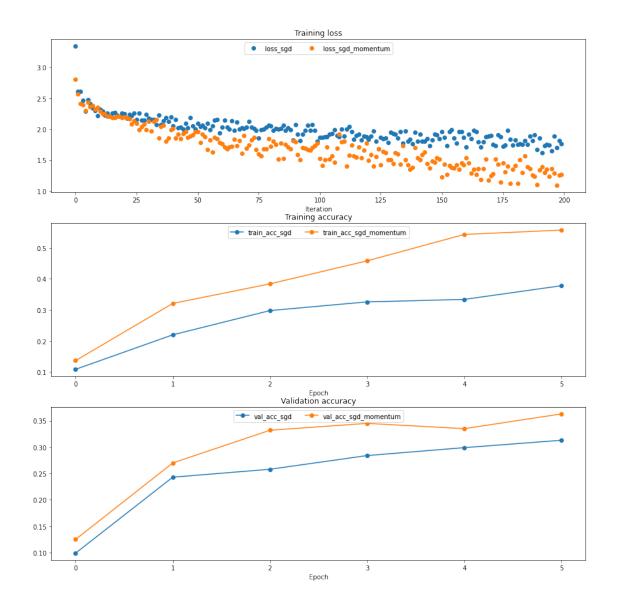
MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:45:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:49:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.



13 RMSProp and Adam

RMSProp [1] and Adam [2] are update rules that set per-parameter learning rates by using a running average of the second moments of gradients.

In the file cs231n/optim.py, implement the RMSProp update rule in the rmsprop function and implement the Adam update rule in the adam function, and check your implementations using the tests below.

NOTE: Please implement the *complete* Adam update rule (with the bias correction mechanism), not the first simplified version mentioned in the course notes.

[1] Tijmen Tieleman and Geoffrey Hinton. "Lecture 6.5-rmsprop: Divide the gradient by a running average of its recent magnitude." COURSERA: Neural Networks for Machine Learning 4 (2012).

[2] Diederik Kingma and Jimmy Ba, "Adam: A Method for Stochastic Optimization", ICLR 2015.

```
[50]: # Test RMSProp implementation
    from cs231n.optim import rmsprop
    N, D = 4, 5
    w = np.linspace(-0.4, 0.6, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    dw = np.linspace(-0.6, 0.4, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    cache = np.linspace(0.6, 0.9, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
    config = {'learning_rate': 1e-2, 'cache': cache}
    next_w, _ = rmsprop(w, dw, config=config)
    expected next w = np.asarray([
      [-0.39223849, -0.34037513, -0.28849239, -0.23659121, -0.18467247],
      [-0.132737, -0.08078555, -0.02881884, 0.02316247, 0.07515774],
      [ 0.12716641, 0.17918792, 0.23122175, 0.28326742, 0.33532447],
      [ 0.38739248, 0.43947102, 0.49155973, 0.54365823, 0.59576619]])
    expected_cache = np.asarray([
                 0.6126277, 0.6277108, 0.64284931, 0.65804321],
      [ 0.5976,
      [ 0.67329252, 0.68859723, 0.70395734, 0.71937285, 0.73484377],
      [0.75037008, 0.7659518, 0.78158892, 0.79728144, 0.81302936],
      [ 0.82883269, 0.84469141, 0.86060554, 0.87657507, 0.8926
                                                                     ]])
    # You should see relative errors around e-7 or less
    print('next_w error: ', rel_error(expected_next_w, next_w))
    print('cache error: ', rel_error(expected_cache, config['cache']))
```

next_w error: 9.524687511038133e-08 cache error: 2.6477955807156126e-09

```
[51]: # Test Adam implementation
from cs231n.optim import adam

N, D = 4, 5
w = np.linspace(-0.4, 0.6, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
dw = np.linspace(-0.6, 0.4, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
m = np.linspace(0.6, 0.9, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)
v = np.linspace(0.7, 0.5, num=N*D).reshape(N, D)

config = {'learning_rate': 1e-2, 'm': m, 'v': v, 't': 5}
next_w, _ = adam(w, dw, config=config)

expected_next_w = np.asarray([
    [-0.40094747, -0.34836187, -0.29577703, -0.24319299, -0.19060977],
    [-0.1380274, -0.08544591, -0.03286534, 0.01971428, 0.0722929],
    [ 0.1248705, 0.17744702, 0.23002243, 0.28259667, 0.33516969],
```

```
[ 0.38774145, 0.44031188, 0.49288093, 0.54544852, 0.59801459]])
expected_v = np.asarray([
  [0.69966, 0.68908382, 0.67851319, 0.66794809, 0.65738853,],
 [ 0.64683452, 0.63628604, 0.6257431, 0.61520571, 0.60467385,],
  [ 0.59414753, 0.58362676, 0.57311152, 0.56260183, 0.55209767,],
  [ 0.54159906, 0.53110598, 0.52061845, 0.51013645, 0.49966, ]])
expected_m = np.asarray([
            0.49947368, 0.51894737, 0.53842105, 0.55789474],
 [ 0.48,
  [ 0.57736842, 0.59684211, 0.61631579, 0.63578947, 0.65526316],
  [ 0.67473684, 0.69421053, 0.71368421, 0.73315789, 0.75263158],
  [ 0.77210526, 0.79157895, 0.81105263, 0.83052632, 0.85
                                                               11)
# You should see relative errors around e-7 or less
print('next_w error: ', rel_error(expected_next_w, next_w))
print('v error: ', rel_error(expected_v, config['v']))
print('m error: ', rel_error(expected_m, config['m']))
```

next_w error: 1.1395691798535431e-07 v error: 4.208314038113071e-09 m error: 4.214963193114416e-09

Once you have debugged your RMSProp and Adam implementations, run the following to train a pair of deep networks using these new update rules:

```
[52]: learning rates = {'rmsprop': 1e-4, 'adam': 1e-3}
     for update_rule in ['adam', 'rmsprop']:
       print('running with ', update_rule)
       model = FullyConnectedNet([100, 100, 100, 100, 100], weight_scale=5e-2)
       solver = Solver(model, small_data,
                       num_epochs=5, batch_size=100,
                       update_rule=update_rule,
                       optim_config={
                         'learning_rate': learning_rates[update_rule]
                       },
                       verbose=True)
       solvers[update_rule] = solver
       solver.train()
      print()
     plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
     plt.title('Training loss')
     plt.xlabel('Iteration')
     plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
     plt.title('Training accuracy')
     plt.xlabel('Epoch')
```

```
plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
plt.title('Validation accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
for update_rule, solver in list(solvers.items()):
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
  plt.plot(solver.loss_history, 'o', label=update_rule)
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
  plt.plot(solver.train_acc_history, '-o', label=update_rule)
  plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
  plt.plot(solver.val_acc_history, '-o', label=update_rule)
for i in [1, 2, 3]:
  plt.subplot(3, 1, i)
  plt.legend(loc='upper center', ncol=4)
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 15)
plt.show()
running with adam
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 2.543656
(Epoch 0 / 5) train acc: 0.143000; val_acc: 0.129000
(Iteration 11 / 200) loss: 2.056335
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 1.826194
(Iteration 31 / 200) loss: 1.948210
(Epoch 1 / 5) train acc: 0.355000; val_acc: 0.308000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 1.811520
(Iteration 51 / 200) loss: 1.888848
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 1.823654
(Iteration 71 / 200) loss: 1.622006
(Epoch 2 / 5) train acc: 0.423000; val_acc: 0.348000
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 1.510854
(Iteration 91 / 200) loss: 1.437003
(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.402920
(Iteration 111 / 200) loss: 1.705591
(Epoch 3 / 5) train acc: 0.505000; val_acc: 0.372000
(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.380306
(Iteration 131 / 200) loss: 1.459960
(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.384094
(Iteration 151 / 200) loss: 1.423244
(Epoch 4 / 5) train acc: 0.555000; val_acc: 0.347000
(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 1.285236
(Iteration 171 / 200) loss: 1.302113
```

(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 1.282729 (Iteration 191 / 200) loss: 1.233549

(Epoch 5 / 5) train acc: 0.614000; val_acc: 0.373000

```
running with rmsprop
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 2.617077
(Epoch 0 / 5) train acc: 0.128000; val_acc: 0.126000
(Iteration 11 / 200) loss: 2.050655
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 1.860875
(Iteration 31 / 200) loss: 1.915779
(Epoch 1 / 5) train acc: 0.375000; val_acc: 0.310000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 1.848755
(Iteration 51 / 200) loss: 1.767042
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 1.794115
(Iteration 71 / 200) loss: 1.705135
(Epoch 2 / 5) train acc: 0.415000; val_acc: 0.339000
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 1.582702
(Iteration 91 / 200) loss: 1.720647
(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.649887
(Iteration 111 / 200) loss: 1.594941
(Epoch 3 / 5) train acc: 0.471000; val_acc: 0.370000
(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.549115
(Iteration 131 / 200) loss: 1.544782
(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.559052
(Iteration 151 / 200) loss: 1.440983
(Epoch 4 / 5) train acc: 0.502000; val acc: 0.377000
(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 1.451905
(Iteration 171 / 200) loss: 1.551372
(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 1.386167
(Iteration 191 / 200) loss: 1.410834
(Epoch 5 / 5) train acc: 0.570000; val_acc: 0.384000
```

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:30:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

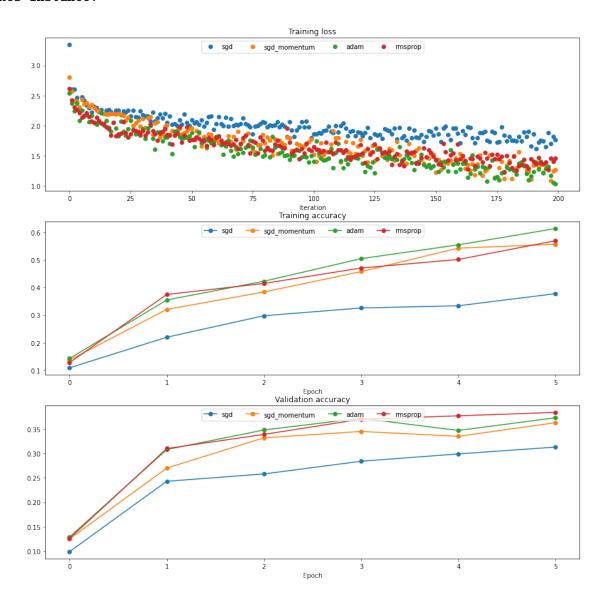
/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:33:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:36:

MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.

/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:40:
MatplotlibDeprecationWarning: Adding an axes using the same arguments as a previous axes currently reuses the earlier instance. In a future version, a new instance will always be created and returned. Meanwhile, this warning can be suppressed, and the future behavior ensured, by passing a unique label to each axes instance.



13.1 Inline Question 3:

AdaGrad, like Adam, is a per-parameter optimization method that uses the following update rule:

```
cache += dw**2
w += - learning_rate * dw / (np.sqrt(cache) + eps)
```

John notices that when he was training a network with AdaGrad that the updates became very small, and that his network was learning slowly. Using your knowledge of the AdaGrad update rule, why do you think the updates would become very small? Would Adam have the same issue?

13.2 Answer:

In AdaGrad, the cache gets increasingly larger over each iteration as the squared gradients are being summed. This then gets divided in the next step when updating the weights, which effectively lowers the learning rate. As iterations go through, the learning rate gets increasingly punished. Even though it lowers the learning rate more for gradients that are steep and less for gradients that are not, the monotonic learning rate can 'kill' the gradient update and stop learning too early.

Adam would not have the same issue because the momentum and velocity terms are a leaky (and smooth) version of Adagrad. The parameter β_2 is set very high, such that the squared gradients, which are multiplied by $(1 - \beta_2)$ are only a small component of the velocity update.

14 Train a good model!

Train the best fully-connected model that you can on CIFAR-10, storing your best model in the best_model variable. We require you to get at least 50% accuracy on the validation set using a fully-connected net.

If you are careful it should be possible to get accuracies above 55%, but we don't require it for this part and won't assign extra credit for doing so. Later in the assignment we will ask you to train the best convolutional network that you can on CIFAR-10, and we would prefer that you spend your effort working on convolutional nets rather than fully-connected nets.

You might find it useful to complete the BatchNormalization.ipynb and Dropout.ipynb note-books before completing this part, since those techniques can help you train powerful models.

```
[67]: best_model = None
   # TODO: Train the best FullyConnectedNet that you can on CIFAR-10. You might
   # find batch/layer normalization and dropout useful. Store your best model in u
    →#
   # the best_model variable.
    →#
   # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)*****
   model data = {}
   model_data['X_train'] = data['X_train']
   model_data['X_val'] = data['X_val']
   model_data['y_train'] = data['y_train']
   model_data['y_val'] = data['y_val']
   results = {}
   best_val = 0
```

```
hidden_size = [[100, 50, 50]]
reg_strength = [6e-3]
learn_rate = [1.8e-3]
H_model = 0
for H in hidden_size:
  for strength in reg_strength:
   for rate in learn_rate:
     model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims=H, reg=strength)
     solver = Solver(model, model_data,
                   update_rule='adam',
                   optim_config={
                      'learning_rate': rate,
                   },
                   lr_decay = 0.95,
                  num_epochs=8, batch_size=800,
                  print_every=1000)
     solver.train()
     results[(H_model, strength, rate)] = (solver.train_acc_history[-1],_
 ⇔solver.best_val_acc)
     if solver.best_val_acc > best_val:
       best_val = solver.best_val_acc
       best_model = model
       best_solver = solver
  H_model += 1
print('validation accuracy:', best_val)
for key, value in results.items():
 print(key, value)
# *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
 →#
(Iteration 1 / 488) loss: 2.396869
```

```
(Epoch 0 / 8) train acc: 0.190000; val_acc: 0.194000
(Epoch 1 / 8) train acc: 0.428000; val_acc: 0.430000
(Epoch 2 / 8) train acc: 0.470000; val_acc: 0.454000
```

```
(Epoch 3 / 8) train acc: 0.503000; val_acc: 0.472000 (Epoch 4 / 8) train acc: 0.537000; val_acc: 0.495000 (Epoch 5 / 8) train acc: 0.513000; val_acc: 0.499000 (Epoch 6 / 8) train acc: 0.510000; val_acc: 0.511000 (Epoch 7 / 8) train acc: 0.571000; val_acc: 0.529000 (Epoch 8 / 8) train acc: 0.553000; val_acc: 0.508000 validation accuracy: 0.529 (0, 0.006, 0.0018) (0.553, 0.529)
```

15 Test your model!

Run your best model on the validation and test sets. You should achieve above 50% accuracy on the validation set.

```
[68]: y_test_pred = np.argmax(best_model.loss(data['X_test']), axis=1)
    y_val_pred = np.argmax(best_model.loss(data['X_val']), axis=1)
    print('Validation set accuracy: ', (y_val_pred == data['y_val']).mean())
    print('Test set accuracy: ', (y_test_pred == data['y_test']).mean())
```

Validation set accuracy: 0.529 Test set accuracy: 0.508

BatchNormalization

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```
[0]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
   # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
   # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment3/'
   FOLDERNAME = 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
   # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
   # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
   # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
   # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
   # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
   !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
```

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1 Batch Normalization

One way to make deep networks easier to train is to use more sophisticated optimization procedures such as SGD+momentum, RMSProp, or Adam. Another strategy is to change the architecture of the network to make it easier to train. One idea along these lines is batch normalization which was proposed by [1] in 2015.

The idea is relatively straightforward. Machine learning methods tend to work better when their input data consists of uncorrelated features with zero mean and unit variance. When training a neural network, we can preprocess the data before feeding it to the network to explicitly decorrelate its features; this will ensure that the first layer of the network sees data that follows a nice distribution. However, even if we preprocess the input data, the activations at deeper layers of the network will likely no longer be decorrelated and will no longer have zero mean or unit variance since they are output from earlier layers in the network. Even worse, during the training process the distribution of features at each layer of the network will shift as the weights of each layer are updated.

The authors of [1] hypothesize that the shifting distribution of features inside deep neural networks may make training deep networks more difficult. To overcome this problem, [1] proposes to insert batch normalization layers into the network. At training time, a batch normalization layer uses a minibatch of data to estimate the mean and standard deviation of each feature. These estimated means and standard deviations are then used to center and normalize the features of the minibatch. A running average of these means and standard deviations is kept during training, and at test time these running averages are used to center and normalize features.

It is possible that this normalization strategy could reduce the representational power of the network, since it may sometimes be optimal for certain layers to have features that are not zero-mean or unit variance. To this end, the batch normalization layer includes learnable shift and scale parameters for each feature dimension.

[1] [Sergey Ioffe and Christian Szegedy, "Batch Normalization: Accelerating Deep Network Training by Reducing Internal Covariate Shift", ICML 2015.](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.03167)

```
[0]: # As usual, a bit of setup
   import time
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from cs231n.classifiers.fc_net import *
   from cs231n.data_utils import get_CIFAR10_data
   from cs231n.gradient_check import eval_numerical_gradient,_
     →eval_numerical_gradient_array
   from cs231n.solver import Solver
   %matplotlib inline
   plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10.0, 8.0) # set default size of plots
   plt.rcParams['image.interpolation'] = 'nearest'
   plt.rcParams['image.cmap'] = 'gray'
    # for auto-reloading external modules
    # see http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1907993/
     \rightarrow autoreload-of-modules-in-ipython
    %load ext autoreload
```

```
%autoreload 2

def rel_error(x, y):
    """ returns relative error """
    return np.max(np.abs(x - y) / (np.maximum(1e-8, np.abs(x) + np.abs(y))))

def print_mean_std(x,axis=0):
    print(' means: ', x.mean(axis=axis))
    print(' stds: ', x.std(axis=axis))
    print()
```

====== You can safely ignore the message below if you are NOT working on ConvolutionalNetworks.ipynb ========

You will need to compile a Cython extension for a portion of this assignment.

The instructions to do this will be given in a section of the notebook below.

There will be an option for Colab users and another for Jupyter (local) users.

```
[0]: # Load the (preprocessed) CIFAR10 data.
data = get_CIFAR10_data()
for k, v in data.items():
    print('%s: ' % k, v.shape)
```

```
X_train: (49000, 3, 32, 32)
y_train: (49000,)
X_val: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
y_val: (1000,)
X_test: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
y_test: (1000,)
```

1.1 Batch normalization: forward

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the batch normalization forward pass in the function batchnorm_forward. Once you have done so, run the following to test your implementation.

Referencing the paper linked to above in [1] may be helpful!

```
[0]: # Check the training-time forward pass by checking means and variances
# of features both before and after batch normalization

# Simulate the forward pass for a two-layer network
np.random.seed(231)
N, D1, D2, D3 = 200, 50, 60, 3
X = np.random.randn(N, D1)
W1 = np.random.randn(D1, D2)
W2 = np.random.randn(D2, D3)
a = np.maximum(0, X.dot(W1)).dot(W2)
```

```
print('Before batch normalization:')
   print_mean_std(a,axis=0)
   gamma = np.ones((D3,))
   beta = np.zeros((D3,))
   # Means should be close to zero and stds close to one
   print('After batch normalization (gamma=1, beta=0)')
   a_norm, _ = batchnorm_forward(a, gamma, beta, {'mode': 'train'})
   print_mean_std(a_norm,axis=0)
   gamma = np.asarray([1.0, 2.0, 3.0])
   beta = np.asarray([11.0, 12.0, 13.0])
   # Now means should be close to beta and stds close to gamma
   print('After batch normalization (gamma=', gamma, ', beta=', beta, ')')
   a_norm, _ = batchnorm_forward(a, gamma, beta, {'mode': 'train'})
   print_mean_std(a_norm,axis=0)
   Before batch normalization:
     means: [ -2.3814598 -13.18038246
                                          1.917804627
             [27.18502186 34.21455511 37.68611762]
     stds:
   After batch normalization (gamma=1, beta=0)
     means: [5.99520433e-17 6.93889390e-17 8.32667268e-19]
     stds:
             Γ0.99999999 1.
                                    1.
   After batch normalization (gamma= [1. 2. 3.], beta= [11. 12. 13.])
     means: [11. 12. 13.]
             [0.9999999 1.99999999 2.99999999]
     stds:
[0]: # Check the test-time forward pass by running the training-time
   # forward pass many times to warm up the running averages, and then
   # checking the means and variances of activations after a test-time
   # forward pass.
   np.random.seed(231)
   N, D1, D2, D3 = 200, 50, 60, 3
   W1 = np.random.randn(D1, D2)
   W2 = np.random.randn(D2, D3)
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   gamma = np.ones(D3)
   beta = np.zeros(D3)
   for t in range(50):
     X = np.random.randn(N, D1)
```

```
a = np.maximum(0, X.dot(W1)).dot(W2)
batchnorm_forward(a, gamma, beta, bn_param)

bn_param['mode'] = 'test'
X = np.random.randn(N, D1)
a = np.maximum(0, X.dot(W1)).dot(W2)
a_norm, _ = batchnorm_forward(a, gamma, beta, bn_param)

# Means should be close to zero and stds close to one, but will be
# noisier than training-time forward passes.
print('After batch normalization (test-time):')
print_mean_std(a_norm,axis=0)
```

After batch normalization (test-time):
means: [-0.03927354 -0.04349152 -0.10452688]
stds: [1.01531428 1.01238373 0.97819988]

1.2 Batch normalization: backward

Now implement the backward pass for batch normalization in the function batchnorm_backward. To derive the backward pass you should write out the computation graph for batch normalization and backprop through each of the intermediate nodes. Some intermediates may have multiple outgoing branches; make sure to sum gradients across these branches in the backward pass.

Once you have finished, run the following to numerically check your backward pass.

```
[0]: # Gradient check batchnorm backward pass
   np.random.seed(231)
   N, D = 4, 5
   x = 5 * np.random.randn(N, D) + 12
   gamma = np.random.randn(D)
   beta = np.random.randn(D)
   dout = np.random.randn(N, D)
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   fx = lambda x: batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)[0]
   fg = lambda a: batchnorm_forward(x, a, beta, bn_param)[0]
   fb = lambda b: batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, b, bn_param)[0]
   dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fx, x, dout)
   da_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fg, gamma.copy(), dout)
   db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fb, beta.copy(), dout)
   _, cache = batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   dx, dgamma, dbeta = batchnorm_backward(dout, cache)
   \# You \ should \ expect \ to \ see \ relative \ errors \ between \ 1e-13 \ and \ 1e-8
   print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
```

```
print('dgamma error: ', rel_error(da_num, dgamma))
print('dbeta error: ', rel_error(db_num, dbeta))
```

dx error: 1.6674604875341426e-09 dgamma error: 7.417225040694815e-13 dbeta error: 2.379446949959628e-12

1.3 Batch normalization: alternative backward

In class we talked about two different implementations for the sigmoid backward pass. One strategy is to write out a computation graph composed of simple operations and backprop through all intermediate values. Another strategy is to work out the derivatives on paper. For example, you can derive a very simple formula for the sigmoid function's backward pass by simplifying gradients on paper.

Surprisingly, it turns out that you can do a similar simplification for the batch normalization backward pass too!

In the forward pass, given a set of inputs
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix}$$
,

we first calculate the mean μ and variance v. With μ and v calculated, we can calculate the standard deviation σ and normalized data Y. The equations and graph illustration below describe the computation (y_i is the i-th element of the vector Y).

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} x_k \qquad v = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} (x_k - \mu)^2$$
 (1)

$$\sigma = \sqrt{v + \epsilon} \qquad \qquad y_i = \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma} \tag{2}$$

The meat of our problem during backpropagation is to compute $\frac{\partial L}{\partial X}$, given the upstream gradient we receive, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial Y}$. To do this, recall the chain rule in calculus gives us $\frac{\partial L}{\partial X} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial Y} \cdot \frac{\partial Y}{\partial X}$. The unknown/hart part is $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial X}$. We can find this by first deriving step-by-step our local gradient and the problem of the proble

The unknown/hart part is $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial X}$. We can find this by first deriving step-by-step our local gradients at $\frac{\partial v}{\partial X}$, $\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial v}$, $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial \sigma}$, and $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial \mu}$, and then use the chain rule to compose these gradients (which appear in the form of vectors!) appropriately to compute $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial X}$.

If it's challenging to directly reason about the gradients over X and Y which require matrix multiplication, try reasoning about the gradients in terms of individual elements x_i and y_i first: in that case, you will need to come up with the derivations for $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i}$, by relying on the Chain Rule to first calculate the intermediate $\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x_i}$, $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i}$, $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x_i}$, then assemble these pieces to calculate $\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial x_i}$. You should make sure each of the intermediary gradient derivations are all as simplified as

You should make sure each of the intermediary gradient derivations are all as simplified as possible, for ease of implementation.

After doing so, implement the simplified batch normalization backward pass in the function batchnorm_backward_alt and compare the two implementations by running the following. Your two implementations should compute nearly identical results, but the alternative implementation should be a bit faster.

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
N, D = 100, 500
```

```
x = 5 * np.random.randn(N, D) + 12
gamma = np.random.randn(D)
beta = np.random.randn(D)
dout = np.random.randn(N, D)

bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
out, cache = batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)

t1 = time.time()
dx1, dgamma1, dbeta1 = batchnorm_backward(dout, cache)
t2 = time.time()
dx2, dgamma2, dbeta2 = batchnorm_backward_alt(dout, cache)
t3 = time.time()

print('dx difference: ', rel_error(dx1, dx2))
print('dgamma difference: ', rel_error(dgamma1, dgamma2))
print('dbeta difference: ', rel_error(dbeta1, dbeta2))
print('speedup: %.2fx' % ((t2 - t1) / (t3 - t2)))
```

dx difference: 0.000531576158048085

dgamma difference: 0.0 dbeta difference: 0.0 speedup: 1.09x

1.4 Fully Connected Nets with Batch Normalization

Now that you have a working implementation for batch normalization, go back to your FullyConnectedNet in the file cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py. Modify your implementation to add batch normalization.

Concretely, when the normalization flag is set to "batchnorm" in the constructor, you should insert a batch normalization layer before each ReLU nonlinearity. The outputs from the last layer of the network should not be normalized. Once you are done, run the following to gradient-check your implementation.

HINT: You might find it useful to define an additional helper layer similar to those in the file cs231n/layer_utils.py. If you decide to do so, do it in the file cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py.

```
Running check with reg = 0
Initial loss: 2.2611955101340957
W1 relative error: 1.10e-04
W2 relative error: 3.11e-06
W3 relative error: 4.05e-10
b1 relative error: 4.44e-08
b2 relative error: 2.22e-08
b3 relative error: 1.01e-10
beta1 relative error: 7.33e-09
beta2 relative error: 1.89e-09
gamma1 relative error: 6.96e-09
gamma2 relative error: 2.41e-09
Running check with reg = 3.14
Initial loss: 6.996533220108303
W1 relative error: 1.98e-06
W2 relative error: 2.29e-06
W3 relative error: 2.79e-08
b1 relative error: 5.55e-09
b2 relative error: 2.22e-08
b3 relative error: 2.10e-10
beta1 relative error: 6.65e-09
beta2 relative error: 3.39e-09
gamma1 relative error: 6.27e-09
gamma2 relative error: 5.28e-09
```

2 Batchnorm for deep networks

Run the following to train a six-layer network on a subset of 1000 training examples both with and without batch normalization.

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
# Try training a very deep net with batchnorm
hidden_dims = [100, 100, 100, 100]
```

```
num_train = 1000
small_data = {
  'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
  'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
  'X_val': data['X_val'],
  'y_val': data['y_val'],
}
weight scale = 2e-2
bn_model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
 →normalization='batchnorm')
model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
 →normalization=None)
print('Solver with batch norm:')
bn_solver = Solver(bn_model, small_data,
                num_epochs=10, batch_size=50,
                update_rule='adam',
                 optim_config={
                   'learning_rate': 1e-3,
                 },
                 verbose=True,print_every=20)
bn_solver.train()
print('\nSolver without batch norm:')
solver = Solver(model, small_data,
                num epochs=10, batch size=50,
                update_rule='adam',
                 optim_config={
                   'learning_rate': 1e-3,
                 },
                verbose=True, print_every=20)
solver.train()
Solver with batch norm:
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 2.340974
(Epoch 0 / 10) train acc: 0.107000; val_acc: 0.115000
(Epoch 1 / 10) train acc: 0.314000; val acc: 0.266000
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 2.039365
(Epoch 2 / 10) train acc: 0.390000; val_acc: 0.279000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 2.036710
(Epoch 3 / 10) train acc: 0.497000; val_acc: 0.316000
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 1.769536
```

(Epoch 4 / 10) train acc: 0.529000; val_acc: 0.320000

(Epoch 5 / 10) train acc: 0.605000; val_acc: 0.315000

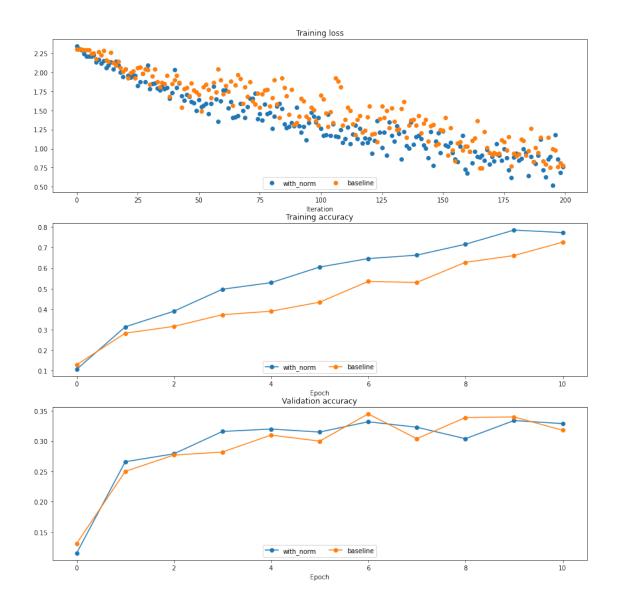
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 1.268340

(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.267965

```
(Epoch 6 / 10) train acc: 0.646000; val_acc: 0.332000
(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.130897
(Epoch 7 / 10) train acc: 0.663000; val_acc: 0.323000
(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.170152
(Epoch 8 / 10) train acc: 0.716000; val acc: 0.304000
(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 0.679498
(Epoch 9 / 10) train acc: 0.785000; val acc: 0.334000
(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 0.939843
(Epoch 10 / 10) train acc: 0.773000; val acc: 0.329000
Solver without batch norm:
(Iteration 1 / 200) loss: 2.302332
(Epoch 0 / 10) train acc: 0.129000; val_acc: 0.131000
(Epoch 1 / 10) train acc: 0.283000; val_acc: 0.250000
(Iteration 21 / 200) loss: 2.041970
(Epoch 2 / 10) train acc: 0.316000; val_acc: 0.277000
(Iteration 41 / 200) loss: 1.900473
(Epoch 3 / 10) train acc: 0.373000; val_acc: 0.282000
(Iteration 61 / 200) loss: 1.713156
(Epoch 4 / 10) train acc: 0.390000; val acc: 0.310000
(Iteration 81 / 200) loss: 1.662209
(Epoch 5 / 10) train acc: 0.434000; val acc: 0.300000
(Iteration 101 / 200) loss: 1.696059
(Epoch 6 / 10) train acc: 0.535000; val_acc: 0.345000
(Iteration 121 / 200) loss: 1.557987
(Epoch 7 / 10) train acc: 0.530000; val_acc: 0.304000
(Iteration 141 / 200) loss: 1.432189
(Epoch 8 / 10) train acc: 0.628000; val_acc: 0.339000
(Iteration 161 / 200) loss: 1.033931
(Epoch 9 / 10) train acc: 0.661000; val_acc: 0.340000
(Iteration 181 / 200) loss: 0.901034
(Epoch 10 / 10) train acc: 0.726000; val_acc: 0.318000
```

Run the following to visualize the results from two networks trained above. You should find that using batch normalization helps the network to converge much faster.

```
plt.plot(bn_plots[i], bn_marker, label=label)
    label='baseline'
    if labels is not None:
        label += str(labels[0])
    plt.plot(bl_plot, bl_marker, label=label)
    plt.legend(loc='lower center', ncol=num_bn+1)
plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
plot_training_history('Training loss','Iteration', solver, [bn_solver], \
                      lambda x: x.loss_history, bl_marker='o', bn_marker='o')
plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
plot_training_history('Training accuracy','Epoch', solver, [bn_solver], \
                      lambda x: x.train_acc_history, bl_marker='-o', u
→bn_marker='-o')
plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
plot_training_history('Validation accuracy', 'Epoch', solver, [bn_solver], \
                      lambda x: x.val_acc_history, bl_marker='-o', u
 →bn_marker='-o')
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 15)
plt.show()
```



3 Batch normalization and initialization

We will now run a small experiment to study the interaction of batch normalization and weight initialization.

The first cell will train 8-layer networks both with and without batch normalization using different scales for weight initialization. The second layer will plot training accuracy, validation set accuracy, and training loss as a function of the weight initialization scale.

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
# Try training a very deep net with batchnorm
hidden_dims = [50, 50, 50, 50, 50, 50]
num_train = 1000
small_data = {
```

```
'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
  'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
  'X_val': data['X_val'],
  'y_val': data['y_val'],
bn_solvers_ws = {}
solvers_ws = {}
weight scales = np.logspace(-4, 0, num=20)
for i, weight_scale in enumerate(weight_scales):
    print('Running weight scale %d / %d' % (i + 1, len(weight_scales)))
    bn_model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
 →normalization='batchnorm')
    model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
 →normalization=None)
    bn_solver = Solver(bn_model, small_data,
                  num_epochs=10, batch_size=50,
                  update_rule='adam',
                  optim_config={
                    'learning_rate': 1e-3,
                  },
                  verbose=False, print_every=200)
    bn_solver.train()
    bn_solvers_ws[weight_scale] = bn_solver
    solver = Solver(model, small data,
                  num_epochs=10, batch_size=50,
                  update_rule='adam',
                  optim_config={
                    'learning_rate': 1e-3,
                  },
                  verbose=False, print_every=200)
    solver.train()
    solvers_ws[weight_scale] = solver
```

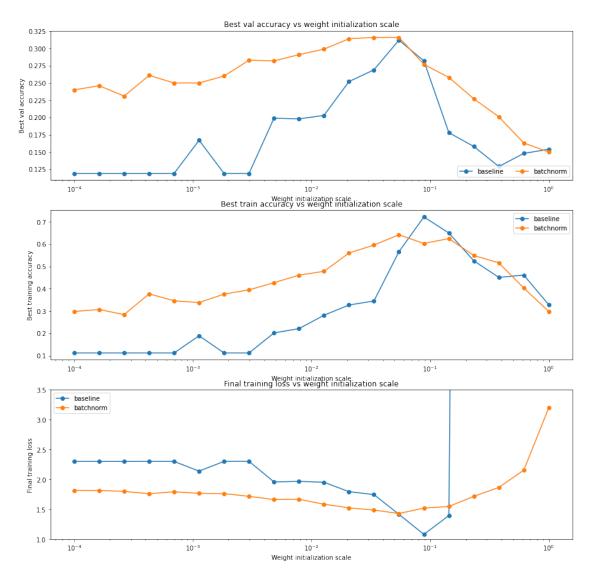
```
Running weight scale 1 / 20
Running weight scale 2 / 20
Running weight scale 3 / 20
Running weight scale 4 / 20
Running weight scale 5 / 20
Running weight scale 6 / 20
Running weight scale 6 / 20
Running weight scale 7 / 20
Running weight scale 8 / 20
Running weight scale 9 / 20
Running weight scale 10 / 20
Running weight scale 11 / 20
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```
Running weight scale 12 / 20
Running weight scale 13 / 20
Running weight scale 14 / 20
Running weight scale 15 / 20
Running weight scale 16 / 20
Running weight scale 16 / 20
Running weight scale 17 / 20
Running weight scale 18 / 20
Running weight scale 19 / 20
Running weight scale 20 / 20
```

```
[0]: # Plot results of weight scale experiment
   best_train_accs, bn_best_train_accs = [], []
   best_val_accs, bn_best_val_accs = [], []
   final_train_loss, bn_final_train_loss = [], []
   for ws in weight scales:
     best train accs.append(max(solvers ws[ws].train acc history))
     bn_best_train_accs.append(max(bn_solvers_ws[ws].train_acc_history))
     best_val_accs.append(max(solvers_ws[ws].val_acc_history))
     bn_best_val_accs.append(max(bn_solvers_ws[ws].val_acc_history))
     final_train_loss.append(np.mean(solvers_ws[ws].loss_history[-100:]))
     bn final_train_loss.append(np.mean(bn_solvers_ws[ws].loss_history[-100:]))
   plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
   plt.title('Best val accuracy vs weight initialization scale')
   plt.xlabel('Weight initialization scale')
   plt.ylabel('Best val accuracy')
   plt.semilogx(weight scales, best val accs, '-o', label='baseline')
   plt.semilogx(weight_scales, bn_best_val_accs, '-o', label='batchnorm')
   plt.legend(ncol=2, loc='lower right')
   plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
   plt.title('Best train accuracy vs weight initialization scale')
   plt.xlabel('Weight initialization scale')
   plt.ylabel('Best training accuracy')
   plt.semilogx(weight_scales, best_train_accs, '-o', label='baseline')
   plt.semilogx(weight scales, bn_best_train_accs, '-o', label='batchnorm')
   plt.legend()
   plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
   plt.title('Final training loss vs weight initialization scale')
   plt.xlabel('Weight initialization scale')
   plt.ylabel('Final training loss')
   plt.semilogx(weight_scales, final_train_loss, '-o', label='baseline')
   plt.semilogx(weight_scales, bn_final_train_loss, '-o', label='batchnorm')
```

```
plt.legend()
plt.gca().set_ylim(1.0, 3.5)

plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 15)
plt.show()
```



3.1 Inline Question 1:

Describe the results of this experiment. How does the scale of weight initialization affect models with/without batch normalization differently, and why?

3.2 Answer:

There are three cases worth highlighting: 1. When Weights are initialized at a relatively large scale (over 10e-1), the loss in the baseline model explodes. The loss in the batch normalized model behaves better, but also increases quickly. In the baseline model, weights in the deep layers become too large, activation function saturates, and gradient descent cannot learn accurately.

- 2. When weights are initialized at a very low scale (below 10e-2), batchnorm performs much better than the baseline model. In the baseline, very low weights lead to a small number being multiplied over and over again in the deeper layers, which leads to a gradient of 0. Gradient descent stops learning at that point. Batch norm is robust to lower weights because it normalizes each layer before the activation, such that we'll almost never run into the problem where all of our weights are zero.
- 3. There's a region where batchnorm and the baseline models perform about the same on the validation sample. If the weights are initialized well in a baseline model, the model can learn and reach the optimal solution. Introducing batch norm does not necessarily lead to a strictly better model, but it creates robustness for weight initialization and exhibits faster convergence.

4 Batch normalization and batch size

We will now run a small experiment to study the interaction of batch normalization and batch size.

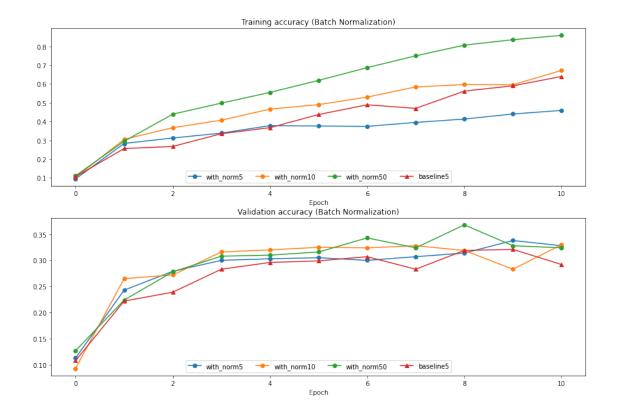
The first cell will train 6-layer networks both with and without batch normalization using different batch sizes. The second layer will plot training accuracy and validation set accuracy over time.

```
[0]: def run_batchsize_experiments(normalization_mode):
       np.random.seed(231)
        # Try training a very deep net with batchnorm
       hidden_dims = [100, 100, 100, 100, 100]
       num_train = 1000
        small_data = {
          'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
          'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
          'X_val': data['X_val'],
          'y_val': data['y_val'],
       }
       n_epochs=10
       weight_scale = 2e-2
       batch\_sizes = [5,10,50]
       lr = 10**(-3.5)
        solver_bsize = batch_sizes[0]
       print('No normalization: batch size = ',solver_bsize)
       model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
     →normalization=None)
        solver = Solver(model, small_data,
```

```
num_epochs=n_epochs, batch_size=solver_bsize,
                        update_rule='adam',
                        optim_config={
                          'learning_rate': lr,
                        verbose=False)
        solver.train()
       bn solvers = []
       for i in range(len(batch_sizes)):
            b size=batch sizes[i]
           print('Normalization: batch size = ',b_size)
           bn_model = FullyConnectedNet(hidden_dims, weight_scale=weight_scale,_
     →normalization=normalization_mode)
            bn_solver = Solver(bn_model, small_data,
                            num_epochs=n_epochs, batch_size=b_size,
                            update_rule='adam',
                            optim_config={
                              'learning_rate': lr,
                            },
                            verbose=False)
            bn solver.train()
            bn_solvers.append(bn_solver)
       return bn_solvers, solver, batch_sizes
   batch_sizes = [5, 10, 50]
   bn_solvers_bsize, solver_bsize, batch_sizes =_
     →run_batchsize_experiments('batchnorm')
   No normalization: batch size = 5
   Normalization: batch size = 5
   Normalization: batch size = 10
   Normalization: batch size = 50
[0]: plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
   plot_training_history('Training accuracy (Batch Normalization)','Epoch', u
    →solver_bsize, bn_solvers_bsize, \
                          lambda x: x.train_acc_history, bl_marker='-^',_
    →bn_marker='-o', labels=batch_sizes)
   plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
   plot_training_history('Validation accuracy (Batch Normalization)','Epoch', __
    ⇒solver_bsize, bn_solvers_bsize, \
                          lambda x: x.val_acc_history, bl_marker='-^',_

→bn_marker='-o', labels=batch_sizes)
   plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 10)
```





4.1 Inline Question 2:

Describe the results of this experiment. What does this imply about the relationship between batch normalization and batch size? Why is this relationship observed?

4.2 Answer:

What we can see in the experiment is that as batch size increases, the accuracy in a batch normalized model in the training set increases. The effect is less pronunciated in the validation set, but still holds.

This is expected. In the extreme case where batch size is equal to the training size (such that we only have 1 batch), we would expect the training accuracy to improve because the model is learning from all available data instead of using a sample to estimate mean and variance. As batch size gets smaller, the estimate for the overall mean and variance is rougher. It makes sense that We see a larger effect on the training accuracy than we do in the validation accuracy because a sample might represent well the validation data's mean and variance.

Because accuracy increases with batch size, we might be tempted to just use all training data in each batch, but this is computationally expensive.

5 Layer Normalization

Batch normalization has proved to be effective in making networks easier to train, but the dependency on batch size makes it less useful in complex networks which have a cap on the input batch size due to hardware limitations.

Several alternatives to batch normalization have been proposed to mitigate this problem; one such technique is Layer Normalization [2]. Instead of normalizing over the batch, we normalize over the features. In other words, when using Layer Normalization, each feature vector corresponding to a single datapoint is normalized based on the sum of all terms within that feature vector.

[2] [Ba, Jimmy Lei, Jamie Ryan Kiros, and Geoffrey E. Hinton. "Layer Normalization." stat 1050 (2016): 21.](https://arxiv.org/pdf/1607.06450.pdf)

5.1 Inline Question 3:

Which of these data preprocessing steps is analogous to batch normalization, and which is analogous to layer normalization?

- 1. Scaling each image in the dataset, so that the RGB channels for each row of pixels within an image sums up to 1.
- 2. Scaling each image in the dataset, so that the RGB channels for all pixels within an image sums up to 1.
- 3. Subtracting the mean image of the dataset from each image in the dataset.
- 4. Setting all RGB values to either 0 or 1 depending on a given threshold.

5.2 Answer:

3 is analogous to batch normalization. 2 is analogous to layer normalization.

6 Layer Normalization: Implementation

Now you'll implement layer normalization. This step should be relatively straightforward, as conceptually the implementation is almost identical to that of batch normalization. One significant difference though is that for layer normalization, we do not keep track of the moving moments, and the testing phase is identical to the training phase, where the mean and variance are directly calculated per datapoint.

Here's what you need to do:

• In cs231n/layers.py, implement the forward pass for layer normalization in the function layernorm_forward.

Run the cell below to check your results. * In cs231n/layers.py, implement the backward pass for layer normalization in the function layernorm_backward.

Run the second cell below to check your results. * Modify cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py to add layer normalization to the FullyConnectedNet. When the normalization flag is set to "layernorm" in the constructor, you should insert a layer normalization layer before each ReLU nonlinearity.

Run the third cell below to run the batch size experiment on layer normalization.

```
[0]: # Check the training-time forward pass by checking means and variances
   # of features both before and after layer normalization
   # Simulate the forward pass for a two-layer network
   np.random.seed(231)
   N, D1, D2, D3 = 4, 50, 60, 3
   X = np.random.randn(N, D1)
   W1 = np.random.randn(D1, D2)
   W2 = np.random.randn(D2, D3)
   a = np.maximum(0, X.dot(W1)).dot(W2)
   print('Before layer normalization:')
   print_mean_std(a,axis=1)
   gamma = np.ones(D3)
   beta = np.zeros(D3)
   # Means should be close to zero and stds close to one
   print('After layer normalization (gamma=1, beta=0)')
   a_norm, _ = layernorm_forward(a, gamma, beta, {'mode': 'train'})
   print_mean_std(a_norm,axis=1)
   gamma = np.asarray([3.0,3.0,3.0])
   beta = np.asarray([5.0,5.0,5.0])
   # Now means should be close to beta and stds close to gamma
   print('After layer normalization (gamma=', gamma, ', beta=', beta, ')')
   a norm, = layernorm forward(a, gamma, beta, {'mode': 'train'})
   print_mean_std(a_norm,axis=1)
   Before layer normalization:
     means: [-59.06673243 -47.60782686 -43.31137368 -26.40991744]
     stds:
             [10.07429373 28.39478981 35.28360729 4.01831507]
   After layer normalization (gamma=1, beta=0)
     means: [ 4.81096644e-16 -7.40148683e-17 2.22044605e-16 -5.92118946e-16]
             [0.99999995 0.99999999 1.
     stds:
                                               0.999999691
   After layer normalization (gamma= [3. 3. 3.], beta= [5. 5. 5.])
     means: [5. 5. 5. 5.]
             [2.99999985 2.99999998 2.99999999 2.99999907]
     stds:
[0]: # Gradient check batchnorm backward pass
   np.random.seed(231)
   N, D = 4, 5
   x = 5 * np.random.randn(N, D) + 12
   gamma = np.random.randn(D)
   beta = np.random.randn(D)
```

```
dout = np.random.randn(N, D)

ln_param = {}
fx = lambda x: layernorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, ln_param)[0]
fg = lambda a: layernorm_forward(x, a, beta, ln_param)[0]
fb = lambda b: layernorm_forward(x, gamma, b, ln_param)[0]

dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fx, x, dout)
da_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fg, gamma.copy(), dout)
db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fb, beta.copy(), dout)

_, cache = layernorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, ln_param)
dx, dgamma, dbeta = layernorm_backward(dout, cache)

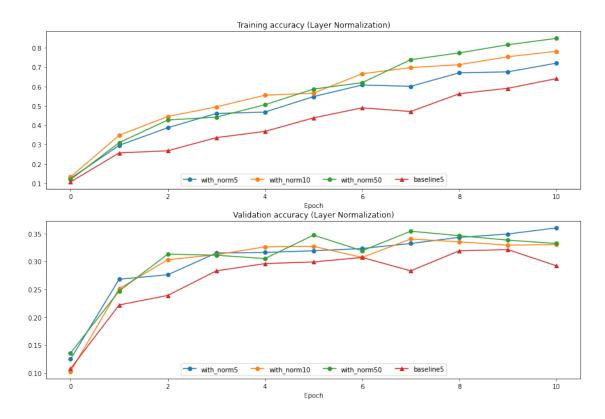
#You should expect to see relative errors between 1e-12 and 1e-8
print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
print('dgamma error: ', rel_error(da_num, dgamma))
print('dbeta error: ', rel_error(db_num, dbeta))
```

dx error: 7.078060168084577e-06 dgamma error: 4.519489546032799e-12 dbeta error: 2.276445013433725e-12

7 Layer Normalization and batch size

We will now run the previous batch size experiment with layer normalization instead of batch normalization. Compared to the previous experiment, you should see a markedly smaller influence of batch size on the training history!

No normalization: batch size = 5 Normalization: batch size = 5 Normalization: batch size = 10 Normalization: batch size = 50



7.1 Inline Question 4:

When is layer normalization likely to not work well, and why?

- 1. Using it in a very deep network
- 2. Having a very small dimension of features
- 3. Having a high regularization term

7.2 Answer:

2. Having a very small dimension of features.

Layer normalization is robust to having a deep network, because each layer gets normalized after every layer of the network, such that we never run into the problem of saturated weights. With a very small dimension of features however, the normalization will be done over a very small set of features such that the network won't be able to learn more quicky.

Dropout

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```
[1]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
   # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
   # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment3/'
   FOLDERNAME = 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
   # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
   # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
   # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
   # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
   # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
   !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
```

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1 Dropout

Dropout [1] is a technique for regularizing neural networks by randomly setting some output activations to zero during the forward pass. In this exercise you will implement a dropout layer and modify your fully-connected network to optionally use dropout.

[1] [Geoffrey E. Hinton et al, "Improving neural networks by preventing co-adaptation of feature detectors", arXiv 2012](https://arxiv.org/abs/1207.0580)

```
[2]: # As usual, a bit of setup
   from __future__ import print_function
   import time
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from cs231n.classifiers.fc_net import *
   from cs231n.data_utils import get_CIFAR10_data
   from cs231n.gradient_check import eval_numerical_gradient,_
     →eval_numerical_gradient_array
   from cs231n.solver import Solver
   %matplotlib inline
   plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10.0, 8.0) # set default size of plots
   plt.rcParams['image.interpolation'] = 'nearest'
   plt.rcParams['image.cmap'] = 'gray'
    # for auto-reloading external modules
    # see http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1907993/
    \rightarrow autoreload-of-modules-in-ipython
   %load_ext autoreload
   %autoreload 2
   def rel_error(x, y):
      """ returns relative error """
     return np.max(np.abs(x - y) / (np.maximum(1e-8, np.abs(x) + np.abs(y))))
```

======= You can safely ignore the message below if you are NOT working on ConvolutionalNetworks.ipynb ========

You will need to compile a Cython extension for a portion of this assignment.

The instructions to do this will be given in a section of the notebook below.

There will be an option for Colab users and another for Jupyter (local) users.

```
[3]: # Load the (preprocessed) CIFAR10 data.

data = get_CIFAR10_data()
for k, v in data.items():
    print('%s: ' % k, v.shape)
```

```
X_train: (49000, 3, 32, 32)
y_train: (49000,)
X_val: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
y_val: (1000,)
X_test: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
y_test: (1000,)
```

2 Dropout forward pass

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the forward pass for dropout. Since dropout behaves differently during training and testing, make sure to implement the operation for both modes.

Once you have done so, run the cell below to test your implementation.

```
[9]: np.random.seed(231)
    x = np.random.randn(500, 500) + 10

for p in [0.25, 0.4, 0.7]:
    out, _ = dropout_forward(x, {'mode': 'train', 'p': p})
    out_test, _ = dropout_forward(x, {'mode': 'test', 'p': p})

print('Running tests with p = ', p)
    print('Mean of input: ', x.mean())
    print('Mean of train-time output: ', out.mean())
    print('Mean of test-time output: ', out_test.mean())
    print('Fraction of train-time output set to zero: ', (out == 0).mean())
    print('Fraction of test-time output set to zero: ', (out_test == 0).mean())
    print()
```

```
Running tests with p = 0.25
Mean of input: 10.000207878477502
Mean of train-time output: 10.014059116977283
Mean of test-time output: 10.000207878477502
Fraction of train-time output set to zero: 0.749784
Fraction of test-time output set to zero: 0.0
Running tests with p = 0.4
Mean of input: 10.000207878477502
Mean of train-time output: 9.977917658761159
Mean of test-time output: 10.000207878477502
Fraction of train-time output set to zero: 0.600796
Fraction of test-time output set to zero: 0.0
Running tests with p = 0.7
Mean of input: 10.000207878477502
Mean of train-time output: 9.987811912159426
Mean of test-time output: 10.000207878477502
Fraction of train-time output set to zero: 0.30074
```

3 Dropout backward pass

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the backward pass for dropout. After doing so, run the following cell to numerically gradient-check your implementation.

dx relative error: 5.44560814873387e-11

3.1 Inline Question 1:

What happens if we do not divide the values being passed through inverse dropout by p in the dropout layer? Why does that happen?

3.2 Answer:

The mean of the train-time output would be much lower than the mean of the test-time output. This happens because we do not dropout neurons in the prediction, so there are more neurons and therefore they must be scaled down. Instead of scaling down at test time, we can scale up at training time to ensure that test-time is deterministic.

4 Fully-connected nets with Dropout

In the file cs231n/classifiers/fc_net.py, modify your implementation to use dropout. Specifically, if the constructor of the network receives a value that is not 1 for the dropout parameter, then the net should add a dropout layer immediately after every ReLU nonlinearity. After doing so, run the following to numerically gradient-check your implementation.

```
[14]: np.random.seed(231)
    N, D, H1, H2, C = 2, 15, 20, 30, 10
    X = np.random.randn(N, D)
    y = np.random.randint(C, size=(N,))

for dropout in [1, 0.75, 0.5]:
```

```
Running check with dropout = 1
Initial loss: 2.3004790897684924
W1 relative error: 1.48e-07
W2 relative error: 2.21e-05
W3 relative error: 3.53e-07
b1 relative error: 5.38e-09
b2 relative error: 2.09e-09
b3 relative error: 5.80e-11
Running check with dropout = 0.75
Initial loss: 2.302371489704412
W1 relative error: 1.90e-07
W2 relative error: 4.76e-06
W3 relative error: 2.60e-08
b1 relative error: 4.73e-09
b2 relative error: 1.82e-09
b3 relative error: 1.70e-10
Running check with dropout = 0.5
Initial loss: 2.3042759220785896
W1 relative error: 3.11e-07
W2 relative error: 1.84e-08
W3 relative error: 5.35e-08
b1 relative error: 5.37e-09
b2 relative error: 2.99e-09
b3 relative error: 1.13e-10
```

5 Regularization experiment

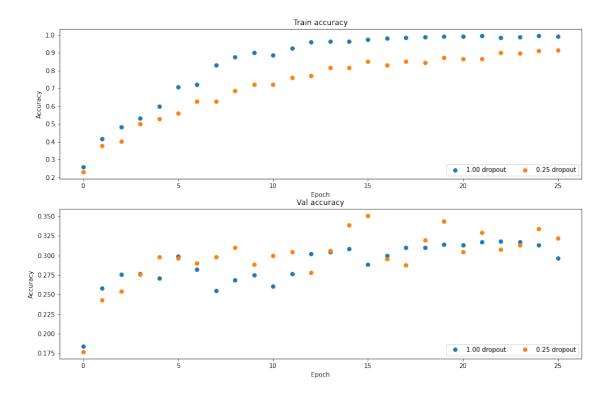
As an experiment, we will train a pair of two-layer networks on 500 training examples: one will use no dropout, and one will use a keep probability of 0.25. We will then visualize the training and validation accuracies of the two networks over time.

```
[15]: | # Train two identical nets, one with dropout and one without
     np.random.seed(231)
     num_train = 500
     small_data = {
       'X_train': data['X_train'][:num_train],
       'y_train': data['y_train'][:num_train],
       'X_val': data['X_val'],
       'y_val': data['y_val'],
     }
     solvers = {}
     dropout_choices = [1, 0.25]
     for dropout in dropout_choices:
       model = FullyConnectedNet([500], dropout=dropout)
       print(dropout)
       solver = Solver(model, small_data,
                       num_epochs=25, batch_size=100,
                       update_rule='adam',
                       optim_config={
                          'learning_rate': 5e-4,
                       },
                       verbose=True, print_every=100)
       solver.train()
       solvers[dropout] = solver
       print()
```

```
1
(Iteration 1 / 125) loss: 7.856643
(Epoch 0 / 25) train acc: 0.260000; val acc: 0.184000
(Epoch 1 / 25) train acc: 0.416000; val_acc: 0.258000
(Epoch 2 / 25) train acc: 0.482000; val_acc: 0.276000
(Epoch 3 / 25) train acc: 0.532000; val_acc: 0.277000
(Epoch 4 / 25) train acc: 0.600000; val_acc: 0.271000
(Epoch 5 / 25) train acc: 0.708000; val_acc: 0.299000
(Epoch 6 / 25) train acc: 0.722000; val_acc: 0.282000
(Epoch 7 / 25) train acc: 0.832000; val_acc: 0.255000
(Epoch 8 / 25) train acc: 0.878000; val_acc: 0.269000
(Epoch 9 / 25) train acc: 0.902000; val_acc: 0.275000
(Epoch 10 / 25) train acc: 0.888000; val_acc: 0.261000
(Epoch 11 / 25) train acc: 0.926000; val_acc: 0.277000
(Epoch 12 / 25) train acc: 0.962000; val_acc: 0.302000
(Epoch 13 / 25) train acc: 0.964000; val_acc: 0.305000
```

```
(Epoch 14 / 25) train acc: 0.966000; val_acc: 0.309000
(Epoch 15 / 25) train acc: 0.974000; val_acc: 0.289000
(Epoch 16 / 25) train acc: 0.984000; val_acc: 0.300000
(Epoch 17 / 25) train acc: 0.986000; val_acc: 0.310000
(Epoch 18 / 25) train acc: 0.990000; val acc: 0.310000
(Epoch 19 / 25) train acc: 0.994000; val_acc: 0.314000
(Epoch 20 / 25) train acc: 0.994000; val acc: 0.313000
(Iteration 101 / 125) loss: 0.000186
(Epoch 21 / 25) train acc: 0.996000; val_acc: 0.317000
(Epoch 22 / 25) train acc: 0.986000; val_acc: 0.318000
(Epoch 23 / 25) train acc: 0.990000; val_acc: 0.317000
(Epoch 24 / 25) train acc: 0.996000; val_acc: 0.313000
(Epoch 25 / 25) train acc: 0.994000; val_acc: 0.297000
0.25
(Iteration 1 / 125) loss: 17.318478
(Epoch 0 / 25) train acc: 0.230000; val_acc: 0.177000
(Epoch 1 / 25) train acc: 0.378000; val_acc: 0.243000
(Epoch 2 / 25) train acc: 0.402000; val_acc: 0.254000
(Epoch 3 / 25) train acc: 0.502000; val acc: 0.276000
(Epoch 4 / 25) train acc: 0.528000; val_acc: 0.298000
(Epoch 5 / 25) train acc: 0.562000; val acc: 0.297000
(Epoch 6 / 25) train acc: 0.626000; val_acc: 0.290000
(Epoch 7 / 25) train acc: 0.628000; val_acc: 0.298000
(Epoch 8 / 25) train acc: 0.686000; val_acc: 0.310000
(Epoch 9 / 25) train acc: 0.722000; val_acc: 0.289000
(Epoch 10 / 25) train acc: 0.724000; val_acc: 0.300000
(Epoch 11 / 25) train acc: 0.760000; val_acc: 0.305000
(Epoch 12 / 25) train acc: 0.772000; val_acc: 0.278000
(Epoch 13 / 25) train acc: 0.818000; val_acc: 0.306000
(Epoch 14 / 25) train acc: 0.816000; val_acc: 0.339000
(Epoch 15 / 25) train acc: 0.854000; val_acc: 0.351000
(Epoch 16 / 25) train acc: 0.832000; val_acc: 0.296000
(Epoch 17 / 25) train acc: 0.854000; val_acc: 0.288000
(Epoch 18 / 25) train acc: 0.846000; val acc: 0.320000
(Epoch 19 / 25) train acc: 0.872000; val_acc: 0.344000
(Epoch 20 / 25) train acc: 0.868000; val acc: 0.305000
(Iteration 101 / 125) loss: 5.472347
(Epoch 21 / 25) train acc: 0.866000; val_acc: 0.329000
(Epoch 22 / 25) train acc: 0.902000; val_acc: 0.308000
(Epoch 23 / 25) train acc: 0.898000; val_acc: 0.313000
(Epoch 24 / 25) train acc: 0.912000; val_acc: 0.334000
(Epoch 25 / 25) train acc: 0.914000; val_acc: 0.322000
```

```
train_accs = []
val_accs = []
for dropout in dropout_choices:
 solver = solvers[dropout]
 train_accs.append(solver.train_acc_history[-1])
 val_accs.append(solver.val_acc_history[-1])
plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
for dropout in dropout_choices:
 plt.plot(solvers[dropout].train_acc_history, 'o', label='%.2f dropout' %_
→dropout)
plt.title('Train accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
plt.legend(ncol=2, loc='lower right')
plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
for dropout in dropout_choices:
 plt.plot(solvers[dropout].val_acc_history, 'o', label='%.2f dropout' %_
→dropout)
plt.title('Val accuracy')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
plt.legend(ncol=2, loc='lower right')
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(15, 15)
plt.show()
```



5.1 Inline Question 2:

Compare the validation and training accuracies with and without dropout -- what do your results suggest about dropout as a regularizer?

5.2 Answer:

Without dropout the model has a higher testing accuracy. When comparing validation accuracy we can see that both models perform similarly well - perhaps the model with dropout performs slightly better. This is a clear indication that the model without dropout is overfitting on the training data: a clear signal that using dropout as a regularizer is effective.

5.3 Inline Question 3:

Suppose we are training a deep fully-connected network for image classification, with dropout after hidden layers (parameterized by keep probability p). If we are concerned about overfitting, how should we modify p (if at all) when we decide to decrease the size of the hidden layers (that is, the number of nodes in each layer)?

5.4 Answer:

Keep probability *p* should be lower (or at least equal) as we decrease the size of hidden layers if we are concerned about overfitting. The larger the proportion of neurons we drop off, the less the model will overfit to the training data.

ConvolutionalNetworks

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```
[0]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
    # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
    # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment3/'
   FOLDERNAME = 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
   # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
    # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
    # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
    # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
    # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
    !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
```

Mounted at /content/drive /content/drive/My Drive/cs231n/assignments/assignment2/cs231n/datasets /content

1 Convolutional Networks

So far we have worked with deep fully-connected networks, using them to explore different optimization strategies and network architectures. Fully-connected networks are a good testbed for experimentation because they are very computationally efficient, but in practice all state-of-the-art results use convolutional networks instead.

First you will implement several layer types that are used in convolutional networks. You will then use these layers to train a convolutional network on the CIFAR-10 dataset.

```
[0]: # As usual, a bit of setup import numpy as np import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
from cs231n.classifiers.cnn import *
from cs231n.data_utils import get_CIFAR10_data
from cs231n.gradient_check import eval_numerical_gradient_array,_
→eval_numerical_gradient
from cs231n.layers import *
from cs231n.fast layers import *
from cs231n.solver import Solver
%matplotlib inline
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10.0, 8.0) # set default size of plots
plt.rcParams['image.interpolation'] = 'nearest'
plt.rcParams['image.cmap'] = 'gray'
# for auto-reloading external modules
# see http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1907993/
{\scriptstyle \rightarrow} autoreload-of{\small -modules-in-ipython}
%load ext autoreload
%autoreload 2
def rel_error(x, y):
  """ returns relative error """
  return np.max(np.abs(x - y) / (np.maximum(1e-8, np.abs(x) + np.abs(y))))
```

The autoreload extension is already loaded. To reload it, use: %reload_ext autoreload

```
[0]: # Load the (preprocessed) CIFAR10 data.

data = get_CIFAR10_data()
    for k, v in data.items():
        print('%s: ' % k, v.shape)

X_train: (49000, 3, 32, 32)
    y_train: (49000,)
    X_val: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
    y_val: (1000,)
    X_test: (1000, 3, 32, 32)
    y_test: (1000,)

[0]: from google.colab import drive drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

2 Convolution: Naive forward pass

The core of a convolutional network is the convolution operation. In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the forward pass for the convolution layer in the function conv_forward_naive.

You don't have to worry too much about efficiency at this point; just write the code in whatever way you find most clear.

You can test your implementation by running the following:

```
[24]: x shape = (2, 3, 4, 4)
     w_{shape} = (3, 3, 4, 4)
     x = np.linspace(-0.1, 0.5, num=np.prod(x shape)).reshape(x shape)
     w = np.linspace(-0.2, 0.3, num=np.prod(w_shape)).reshape(w_shape)
     b = np.linspace(-0.1, 0.2, num=3)
     conv_param = {'stride': 2, 'pad': 1}
     out, _ = conv_forward_naive(x, w, b, conv_param)
     correct_out = np.array([[[[-0.08759809, -0.10987781],
                                [-0.18387192, -0.2109216]],
                               [[ 0.21027089, 0.21661097],
                                [ 0.22847626, 0.23004637]],
                               [[ 0.50813986, 0.54309974],
                                [ 0.64082444, 0.67101435]]],
                              [[[-0.98053589, -1.03143541],
                                [-1.19128892, -1.24695841]],
                               [[ 0.69108355, 0.66880383],
                                [ 0.59480972, 0.56776003]],
                               [[ 2.36270298, 2.36904306],
                                [ 2.38090835, 2.38247847]]]])
     # Compare your output to ours; difference should be around e-8
     print('Testing conv_forward_naive')
     print('difference: ', rel_error(out, correct_out))
```

Testing conv_forward_naive difference: 2.2121476417505994e-08

3 Aside: Image processing via convolutions

As fun way to both check your implementation and gain a better understanding of the type of operation that convolutional layers can perform, we will set up an input containing two images and manually set up filters that perform common image processing operations (grayscale conversion and edge detection). The convolution forward pass will apply these operations to each of the input images. We can then visualize the results as a sanity check.

3.1 Colab Users Only

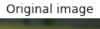
Please execute the below cell to copy two cat images to the Colab VM.

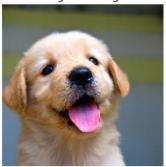
```
%cd /content/
```

/content/drive/My Drive/cs231n/assignments/assignment2/cs231n
/content

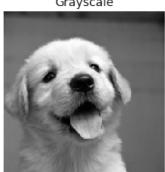
```
[26]: from imageio import imread
     from PIL import Image
     kitten = imread('cs231n/notebook_images/kitten.jpg')
     puppy = imread('cs231n/notebook_images/puppy.jpg')
     # kitten is wide, and puppy is already square
     d = kitten.shape[1] - kitten.shape[0]
     kitten_cropped = kitten[:, d//2:-d//2, :]
                    # Make this smaller if it runs too slow
     img_size = 200
     resized_puppy = np.array(Image.fromarray(puppy).resize((img_size, img_size)))
     resized_kitten = np.array(Image.fromarray(kitten_cropped).resize((img_size,_
      →img_size)))
     x = np.zeros((2, 3, img_size, img_size))
     x[0, :, :, :] = resized_puppy.transpose((2, 0, 1))
     x[1, :, :, :] = resized_kitten.transpose((2, 0, 1))
     # Set up a convolutional weights holding 2 filters, each 3x3
     w = np.zeros((2, 3, 3, 3))
     # The first filter converts the image to grayscale.
     # Set up the red, green, and blue channels of the filter.
     w[0, 0, :, :] = [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0.3, 0], [0, 0, 0]]
     w[0, 1, :, :] = [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0.6, 0], [0, 0, 0]]
     w[0, 2, :, :] = [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0.1, 0], [0, 0, 0]]
     # Second filter detects horizontal edges in the blue channel.
     w[1, 2, :, :] = [[1, 2, 1], [0, 0, 0], [-1, -2, -1]]
     # Vector of biases. We don't need any bias for the grayscale
     # filter, but for the edge detection filter we want to add 128
     # to each output so that nothing is negative.
     b = np.array([0, 128])
     # Compute the result of convolving each input in x with each filter in w,
     # offsetting by b, and storing the results in out.
     out, _ = conv_forward_naive(x, w, b, {'stride': 1, 'pad': 1})
     def imshow_no_ax(img, normalize=True):
         """ Tiny helper to show images as uint8 and remove axis labels """
         if normalize:
             img_max, img_min = np.max(img), np.min(img)
```

```
img = 255.0 * (img - img_min) / (img_max - img_min)
   plt.imshow(img.astype('uint8'))
   plt.gca().axis('off')
# Show the original images and the results of the conv operation
plt.subplot(2, 3, 1)
imshow_no_ax(puppy, normalize=False)
plt.title('Original image')
plt.subplot(2, 3, 2)
imshow_no_ax(out[0, 0])
plt.title('Grayscale')
plt.subplot(2, 3, 3)
imshow_no_ax(out[0, 1])
plt.title('Edges')
plt.subplot(2, 3, 4)
imshow_no_ax(kitten_cropped, normalize=False)
plt.subplot(2, 3, 5)
imshow_no_ax(out[1, 0])
plt.subplot(2, 3, 6)
imshow_no_ax(out[1, 1])
plt.show()
```

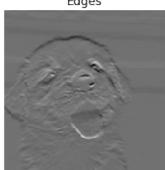




Grayscale

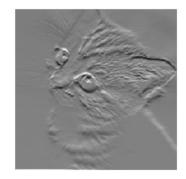


Edges









4 Convolution: Naive backward pass

Implement the backward pass for the convolution operation in the function conv_backward_naive in the file cs231n/layers.py. Again, you don't need to worry too much about computational efficiency.

When you are done, run the following to check your backward pass with a numeric gradient check.

```
[52]: np.random.seed(231)
    x = np.random.randn(4, 3, 5, 5)
    w = np.random.randn(2, 3, 3, 3)
    b = np.random.randn(2,)
    dout = np.random.randn(4, 2, 5, 5)
    conv_param = {'stride': 1, 'pad': 1}
    dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: conv_forward_naive(x, w, b,_

→conv_param)[0], x, dout)
    dw_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda w: conv_forward_naive(x, w, b,_
     db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda b: conv_forward_naive(x, w, b,_
     →conv_param)[0], b, dout)
    out, cache = conv_forward_naive(x, w, b, conv_param)
    dx, dw, db = conv backward naive(dout, cache)
     # Your errors should be around e-8 or less.
    print('Testing conv_backward_naive function')
    print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx, dx_num))
    print('dw error: ', rel_error(dw, dw_num))
    print('db error: ', rel_error(db, db_num))
```

Testing conv_backward_naive function dx error: 1.0 dw error: 2.2471230668641297e-10 db error: 3.3726153958780465e-11

5 Max-Pooling: Naive forward

Implement the forward pass for the max-pooling operation in the function max_pool_forward_naive in the file cs231n/layers.py. Again, don't worry too much about computational efficiency.

Check your implementation by running the following:

```
[0]: x_shape = (2, 3, 4, 4)
x = np.linspace(-0.3, 0.4, num=np.prod(x_shape)).reshape(x_shape)
pool_param = {'pool_width': 2, 'pool_height': 2, 'stride': 2}
```

```
out, _ = max_pool_forward_naive(x, pool_param)
correct_out = np.array([[[[-0.26315789, -0.24842105],
                          [-0.20421053, -0.18947368]],
                         [[-0.14526316, -0.13052632],
                          [-0.08631579, -0.07157895]],
                         [[-0.02736842, -0.01263158],
                          [ 0.03157895, 0.04631579]]],
                        [[[ 0.09052632, 0.10526316],
                          [ 0.14947368, 0.16421053]],
                         [[ 0.20842105, 0.22315789],
                          [ 0.26736842, 0.28210526]],
                         [[ 0.32631579, 0.34105263],
                          [ 0.38526316, 0.4
                                                   ]]]])
# Compare your output with ours. Difference should be on the order of e-8.
print('Testing max_pool_forward_naive function:')
print('difference: ', rel_error(out, correct_out))
```

6 Max-Pooling: Naive backward

Implement the backward pass for the max-pooling operation in the function max_pool_backward_naive in the file cs231n/layers.py. You don't need to worry about computational efficiency.

Check your implementation with numeric gradient checking by running the following:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
    x = np.random.randn(3, 2, 8, 8)
    dout = np.random.randn(3, 2, 4, 4)
    pool_param = {'pool_height': 2, 'pool_width': 2, 'stride': 2}

dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: max_pool_forward_naive(x, pool_param)[0], x, dout)

out, cache = max_pool_forward_naive(x, pool_param)
    dx = max_pool_backward_naive(dout, cache)

# Your error should be on the order of e-12
    print('Testing max_pool_backward_naive function:')
    print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx, dx_num))
```

7 Fast layers

Making convolution and pooling layers fast can be challenging. To spare you the pain, we've provided fast implementations of the forward and backward passes for convolution and pooling

layers in the file cs231n/fast_layers.py.

The fast convolution implementation depends on a Cython extension; to compile it either execute the local development cell (option A) if you are developing locally, or the Colab cell (option B) if you are running this assignment in Colab.

Very Important, Please Read. For both option A and B, you have to restart the notebook after compiling the cython extension. In Colab, please save the notebook File -> Save, then click Runtime -> Restart Runtime -> Yes. This will restart the kernel which means local variables will be lost. Just re-execute the cells from top to bottom and skip the cell below as you only need to run it once for the compilation step.

7.1 Option A: Local Development

Go to the cs231n directory and execute the following in your terminal:

```
python setup.py build_ext --inplace
```

7.2 Option B: Colab

Execute the cell below only only **ONCE**.

```
[0]: %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/
!python setup.py build_ext --inplace
```

The API for the fast versions of the convolution and pooling layers is exactly the same as the naive versions that you implemented above: the forward pass receives data, weights, and parameters and produces outputs and a cache object; the backward pass receives upstream derivatives and the cache object and produces gradients with respect to the data and weights.

NOTE: The fast implementation for pooling will only perform optimally if the pooling regions are non-overlapping and tile the input. If these conditions are not met then the fast pooling implementation will not be much faster than the naive implementation.

You can compare the performance of the naive and fast versions of these layers by running the following:

```
[0]: # Rel errors should be around e-9 or less
from cs231n.fast_layers import conv_forward_fast, conv_backward_fast
from time import time
np.random.seed(231)
x = np.random.randn(100, 3, 31, 31)
w = np.random.randn(25, 3, 3, 3)
b = np.random.randn(25,)
dout = np.random.randn(100, 25, 16, 16)
conv_param = {'stride': 2, 'pad': 1}

t0 = time()
out_naive, cache_naive = conv_forward_naive(x, w, b, conv_param)
t1 = time()
```

```
out_fast, cache_fast = conv_forward_fast(x, w, b, conv_param)
   t2 = time()
   print('Testing conv_forward_fast:')
   print('Naive: %fs' % (t1 - t0))
   print('Fast: %fs' % (t2 - t1))
   print('Speedup: %fx' % ((t1 - t0) / (t2 - t1)))
   print('Difference: ', rel_error(out_naive, out_fast))
   t0 = time()
   dx naive, dw naive, db naive = conv backward naive(dout, cache naive)
   dx fast, dw fast, db fast = conv backward fast(dout, cache fast)
   t2 = time()
   print('\nTesting conv_backward_fast:')
   print('Naive: %fs' % (t1 - t0))
   print('Fast: %fs' % (t2 - t1))
   print('Speedup: %fx' % ((t1 - t0) / (t2 - t1)))
   print('dx difference: ', rel_error(dx_naive, dx_fast))
   print('dw difference: ', rel_error(dw_naive, dw_fast))
   print('db difference: ', rel_error(db_naive, db_fast))
[0]: # Relative errors should be close to 0.0
   from cs231n.fast_layers import max_pool_forward_fast, max_pool_backward_fast
   np.random.seed(231)
   x = np.random.randn(100, 3, 32, 32)
   dout = np.random.randn(100, 3, 16, 16)
   pool_param = {'pool_height': 2, 'pool_width': 2, 'stride': 2}
   t0 = time()
   out_naive, cache_naive = max_pool_forward_naive(x, pool_param)
   t1 = time()
   out_fast, cache_fast = max_pool_forward_fast(x, pool_param)
   t2 = time()
   print('Testing pool_forward_fast:')
   print('Naive: %fs' % (t1 - t0))
   print('fast: %fs' % (t2 - t1))
   print('speedup: %fx' % ((t1 - t0) / (t2 - t1)))
   print('difference: ', rel_error(out_naive, out_fast))
   t0 = time()
   dx_naive = max_pool_backward_naive(dout, cache_naive)
   t1 = time()
   dx_fast = max_pool_backward_fast(dout, cache_fast)
   t2 = time()
```

```
print('\nTesting pool_backward_fast:')
print('Naive: %fs' % (t1 - t0))
print('fast: %fs' % (t2 - t1))
print('speedup: %fx' % ((t1 - t0) / (t2 - t1)))
print('dx difference: ', rel_error(dx_naive, dx_fast))
```

8 Convolutional "sandwich" layers

Previously we introduced the concept of "sandwich" layers that combine multiple operations into commonly used patterns. In the file cs231n/layer_utils.py you will find sandwich layers that implement a few commonly used patterns for convolutional networks. Run the cells below to sanity check they're working.

```
[0]: from cs231n.layer_utils import conv_relu_pool_forward, conv_relu_pool_backward
   np.random.seed(231)
   x = np.random.randn(2, 3, 16, 16)
   w = np.random.randn(3, 3, 3, 3)
   b = np.random.randn(3,)
   dout = np.random.randn(2, 3, 8, 8)
   conv_param = {'stride': 1, 'pad': 1}
   pool_param = {'pool_height': 2, 'pool_width': 2, 'stride': 2}
   out, cache = conv_relu_pool_forward(x, w, b, conv_param, pool_param)
   dx, dw, db = conv_relu_pool_backward(dout, cache)
   dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: conv_relu_pool_forward(x, w,_
    →b, conv_param, pool_param)[0], x, dout)
   dw_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda w: conv_relu_pool_forward(x, w,_u
    →b, conv_param, pool_param)[0], w, dout)
   db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda b: conv_relu_pool_forward(x, w,_
    →b, conv_param, pool_param)[0], b, dout)
   # Relative errors should be around e-8 or less
   print('Testing conv_relu_pool')
   print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
   print('dw error: ', rel_error(dw_num, dw))
   print('db error: ', rel_error(db_num, db))
[0]: from cs231n.layer_utils import conv_relu_forward, conv_relu_backward
   np.random.seed(231)
   x = np.random.randn(2, 3, 8, 8)
   w = np.random.randn(3, 3, 3, 3)
   b = np.random.randn(3,)
   dout = np.random.randn(2, 3, 8, 8)
   conv_param = {'stride': 1, 'pad': 1}
```

```
out, cache = conv_relu_forward(x, w, b, conv_param)
dx, dw, db = conv_relu_backward(dout, cache)

dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda x: conv_relu_forward(x, w, b, u conv_param)[0], x, dout)
dw_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda w: conv_relu_forward(x, w, b, u conv_param)[0], w, dout)
db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(lambda b: conv_relu_forward(x, w, b, u conv_param)[0], b, dout)

# Relative errors should be around e-8 or less
print('Testing conv_relu:')
print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
print('dw error: ', rel_error(dw_num, dw))
print('db error: ', rel_error(db_num, db))
```

9 Three-layer ConvNet

Now that you have implemented all the necessary layers, we can put them together into a simple convolutional network.

Open the file cs231n/classifiers/cnn.py and complete the implementation of the ThreeLayerConvNet class. Remember you can use the fast/sandwich layers (already imported for you) in your implementation. Run the following cells to help you debug:

9.1 Sanity check loss

After you build a new network, one of the first things you should do is sanity check the loss. When we use the softmax loss, we expect the loss for random weights (and no regularization) to be about log(C) for C classes. When we add regularization the loss should go up slightly.

```
[0]: model = ThreeLayerConvNet()

N = 50
X = np.random.randn(N, 3, 32, 32)
y = np.random.randint(10, size=N)

loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
print('Initial loss (no regularization): ', loss)

model.reg = 0.5
loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
print('Initial loss (with regularization): ', loss)
```

9.2 Gradient check

After the loss looks reasonable, use numeric gradient checking to make sure that your backward pass is correct. When you use numeric gradient checking you should use a small amount of

artifical data and a small number of neurons at each layer. Note: correct implementations may still have relative errors up to the order of e-2.

```
[0]: num_inputs = 2
   input_dim = (3, 16, 16)
   reg = 0.0
   num classes = 10
   np.random.seed(231)
   X = np.random.randn(num_inputs, *input_dim)
   y = np.random.randint(num_classes, size=num_inputs)
   model = ThreeLayerConvNet(num_filters=3, filter_size=3,
                              input_dim=input_dim, hidden_dim=7,
                              dtype=np.float64)
   loss, grads = model.loss(X, y)
    # Errors should be small, but correct implementations may have
    # relative errors up to the order of e-2
   for param_name in sorted(grads):
       f = lambda _: model.loss(X, y)[0]
       param_grad_num = eval_numerical_gradient(f, model.params[param_name],_
     →verbose=False, h=1e-6)
       e = rel_error(param_grad_num, grads[param_name])
       print('%s max relative error: %e' % (param_name, rel_error(param_grad_num,_
     →grads[param_name])))
```

9.3 Overfit small data

A nice trick is to train your model with just a few training samples. You should be able to overfit small datasets, which will result in very high training accuracy and comparatively low validation accuracy.

Plotting the loss, training accuracy, and validation accuracy should show clear overfitting:

```
[0]: plt.subplot(2, 1, 1)
  plt.plot(solver.loss_history, 'o')
  plt.xlabel('iteration')
  plt.ylabel('loss')

plt.subplot(2, 1, 2)
  plt.plot(solver.train_acc_history, '-o')
  plt.plot(solver.val_acc_history, '-o')
  plt.legend(['train', 'val'], loc='upper left')
  plt.xlabel('epoch')
  plt.ylabel('accuracy')
  plt.show()
```

9.4 Train the net

By training the three-layer convolutional network for one epoch, you should achieve greater than 40% accuracy on the training set:

```
solver.check_accuracy(small_data['X_train'], small_data['y_train'])
)

[0]: # Print final validation accuracy
print(
    "Full data validation accuracy:",
    solver.check_accuracy(data['X_val'], data['y_val'])
)
```

9.5 Visualize Filters

You can visualize the first-layer convolutional filters from the trained network by running the following:

```
[0]: from cs231n.vis_utils import visualize_grid

grid = visualize_grid(model.params['W1'].transpose(0, 2, 3, 1))
plt.imshow(grid.astype('uint8'))
plt.axis('off')
plt.gcf().set_size_inches(5, 5)
plt.show()
```

10 Spatial Batch Normalization

We already saw that batch normalization is a very useful technique for training deep fully-connected networks. As proposed in the original paper (link in BatchNormalization.ipynb), batch normalization can also be used for convolutional networks, but we need to tweak it a bit; the modification will be called "spatial batch normalization."

Normally batch-normalization accepts inputs of shape (N, D) and produces outputs of shape (N, D), where we normalize across the minibatch dimension N. For data coming from convolutional layers, batch normalization needs to accept inputs of shape (N, C, H, W) and produce outputs of shape (N, C, H, W) where the N dimension gives the minibatch size and the (H, W) dimensions give the spatial size of the feature map.

If the feature map was produced using convolutions, then we expect every feature channel's statistics e.g. mean, variance to be relatively consistent both between different images, and different locations within the same image -- after all, every feature channel is produced by the same convolutional filter! Therefore spatial batch normalization computes a mean and variance for each of the C feature channels by computing statistics over the minibatch dimension N as well the spatial dimensions H and W.

[1] [Sergey Ioffe and Christian Szegedy, "Batch Normalization: Accelerating Deep Network Training by Reducing Internal Covariate Shift", ICML 2015.](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.03167)

10.1 Spatial batch normalization: forward

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the forward pass for spatial batch normalization in the function spatial_batchnorm_forward. Check your implementation by running the following:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
    # Check the training-time forward pass by checking means and variances
   # of features both before and after spatial batch normalization
   N, C, H, W = 2, 3, 4, 5
   x = 4 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 10
   print('Before spatial batch normalization:')
   print(' Shape: ', x.shape)
   print(' Means: ', x.mean(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
   print(' Stds: ', x.std(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
   # Means should be close to zero and stds close to one
   gamma, beta = np.ones(C), np.zeros(C)
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   out, _ = spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   print('After spatial batch normalization:')
   print(' Shape: ', out.shape)
   print(' Means: ', out.mean(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
   print(' Stds: ', out.std(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
   # Means should be close to beta and stds close to gamma
   gamma, beta = np.asarray([3, 4, 5]), np.asarray([6, 7, 8])
   out, _ = spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   print('After spatial batch normalization (nontrivial gamma, beta):')
   print(' Shape: ', out.shape)
   print(' Means: ', out.mean(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
   print(' Stds: ', out.std(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
   # Check the test-time forward pass by running the training-time
   # forward pass many times to warm up the running averages, and then
   # checking the means and variances of activations after a test-time
   # forward pass.
   N, C, H, W = 10, 4, 11, 12
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   gamma = np.ones(C)
   beta = np.zeros(C)
   for t in range(50):
     x = 2.3 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 13
     spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   bn_param['mode'] = 'test'
   x = 2.3 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 13
   a_norm, _ = spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   # Means should be close to zero and stds close to one, but will be
```

```
# noisier than training-time forward passes.
print('After spatial batch normalization (test-time):')
print(' means: ', a_norm.mean(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
print(' stds: ', a_norm.std(axis=(0, 2, 3)))
```

10.2 Spatial batch normalization: backward

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the backward pass for spatial batch normalization in the function spatial_batchnorm_backward. Run the following to check your implementation using a numeric gradient check:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
   N, C, H, W = 2, 3, 4, 5
   x = 5 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 12
   gamma = np.random.randn(C)
   beta = np.random.randn(C)
   dout = np.random.randn(N, C, H, W)
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   fx = lambda x: spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)[0]
   fg = lambda a: spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)[0]
   fb = lambda b: spatial_batchnorm forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)[0]
   dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fx, x, dout)
   da_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fg, gamma, dout)
   db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fb, beta, dout)
   #You should expect errors of magnitudes between 1e-12~1e-06
    _, cache = spatial_batchnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, bn_param)
   dx, dgamma, dbeta = spatial_batchnorm_backward(dout, cache)
   print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
   print('dgamma error: ', rel_error(da_num, dgamma))
    print('dbeta error: ', rel error(db num, dbeta))
```

11 Group Normalization

In the previous notebook, we mentioned that Layer Normalization is an alternative normalization technique that mitigates the batch size limitations of Batch Normalization. However, as the authors of [2] observed, Layer Normalization does not perform as well as Batch Normalization when used with Convolutional Layers:

With fully connected layers, all the hidden units in a layer tend to make similar contributions to the final prediction, and re-centering and rescaling the summed inputs to a layer works well. However, the assumption of similar contributions is no longer true for convolutional neural networks. The large number of the hidden units whose receptive fields lie near the boundary of the image are rarely turned on and thus have very different statistics from the rest of the hidden units within the same layer.

The authors of [3] propose an intermediary technique. In contrast to Layer Normalization, where you normalize over the entire feature per-datapoint, they suggest a consistent splitting of each per-datapoint feature into G groups, and a per-group per-datapoint normalization instead.

Visual comparison of the normalization techniques discussed so far (image edited from [3])

Even though an assumption of equal contribution is still being made within each group, the authors hypothesize that this is not as problematic, as innate grouping arises within features for visual recognition. One example they use to illustrate this is that many high-performance hand-crafted features in traditional Computer Vision have terms that are explicitly grouped together. Take for example Histogram of Oriented Gradients [4]-- after computing histograms per spatially local block, each per-block histogram is normalized before being concatenated together to form the final feature vector.

You will now implement Group Normalization. Note that this normalization technique that you are to implement in the following cells was introduced and published to ECCV just in 2018 -- this truly is still an ongoing and excitingly active field of research!

- [2] [Ba, Jimmy Lei, Jamie Ryan Kiros, and Geoffrey E. Hinton. "Layer Normalization." stat 1050 (2016): 21.](https://arxiv.org/pdf/1607.06450.pdf)
- [3] [Wu, Yuxin, and Kaiming He. "Group Normalization." arXiv preprint arXiv:1803.08494 (2018).](https://arxiv.org/abs/1803.08494)
- [4] [N. Dalal and B. Triggs. Histograms of oriented gradients for human detection. In Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2005.](https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/abstract/document/1467360/)

11.1 Group normalization: forward

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the forward pass for group normalization in the function spatial_groupnorm_forward. Check your implementation by running the following:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
   # Check the training-time forward pass by checking means and variances
   # of features both before and after spatial batch normalization
   N, C, H, W = 2, 6, 4, 5
   G = 2
   x = 4 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 10
   x_g = x.reshape((N*G,-1))
   print('Before spatial group normalization:')
   print(' Shape: ', x.shape)
   print(' Means: ', x g.mean(axis=1))
   print(' Stds: ', x_g.std(axis=1))
   # Means should be close to zero and stds close to one
   gamma, beta = np.ones((1,C,1,1)), np.zeros((1,C,1,1))
   bn_param = {'mode': 'train'}
   out, _ = spatial_groupnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, G, bn_param)
   out_g = out.reshape((N*G,-1))
   print('After spatial group normalization:')
   print(' Shape: ', out.shape)
```

```
print(' Means: ', out_g.mean(axis=1))
print(' Stds: ', out_g.std(axis=1))
```

11.2 Spatial group normalization: backward

In the file cs231n/layers.py, implement the backward pass for spatial batch normalization in the function spatial_groupnorm_backward. Run the following to check your implementation using a numeric gradient check:

```
[0]: np.random.seed(231)
   N, C, H, W = 2, 6, 4, 5
   G = 2
   x = 5 * np.random.randn(N, C, H, W) + 12
   gamma = np.random.randn(1,C,1,1)
   beta = np.random.randn(1,C,1,1)
   dout = np.random.randn(N, C, H, W)
   gn_param = {}
   fx = lambda x: spatial_groupnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, G, gn_param)[0]
   fg = lambda a: spatial_groupnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, G, gn_param)[0]
   fb = lambda b: spatial_groupnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, G, gn_param)[0]
   dx_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fx, x, dout)
   da_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fg, gamma, dout)
   db_num = eval_numerical_gradient_array(fb, beta, dout)
   _, cache = spatial_groupnorm_forward(x, gamma, beta, G, gn_param)
   dx, dgamma, dbeta = spatial_groupnorm_backward(dout, cache)
   #You should expect errors of magnitudes between 1e-12~1e-07
   print('dx error: ', rel_error(dx_num, dx))
   print('dgamma error: ', rel_error(da_num, dgamma))
   print('dbeta error: ', rel_error(db_num, dbeta))
```

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```
[0]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
    # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
    # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment3/'
   FOLDERNAME = 'cs231n/assignments/assignment2/'
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
    # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
    # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
   # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
    # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
    # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
    !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
```

1 What's this PyTorch business?

You've written a lot of code in this assignment to provide a whole host of neural network functionality. Dropout, Batch Norm, and 2D convolutions are some of the workhorses of deep learning in computer vision. You've also worked hard to make your code efficient and vectorized.

For the last part of this assignment, though, we're going to leave behind your beautiful codebase and instead migrate to one of two popular deep learning frameworks: in this instance, Py-Torch (or TensorFlow, if you choose to use that notebook).

1.0.1 What is PyTorch?

PyTorch is a system for executing dynamic computational graphs over Tensor objects that behave similarly as numpy ndarray. It comes with a powerful automatic differentiation engine that removes the need for manual back-propagation.

1.0.2 Why?

- Our code will now run on GPUs! Much faster training. When using a framework like Py-Torch or TensorFlow you can harness the power of the GPU for your own custom neural network architectures without having to write CUDA code directly (which is beyond the scope of this class).
- We want you to be ready to use one of these frameworks for your project so you can experiment more efficiently than if you were writing every feature you want to use by hand.
- We want you to stand on the shoulders of giants! TensorFlow and PyTorch are both excellent frameworks that will make your lives a lot easier, and now that you understand their guts, you are free to use them:)
- We want you to be exposed to the sort of deep learning code you might run into in academia
 or industry.

1.0.3 PyTorch versions

This notebook assumes that you are using **PyTorch version 1.4**. In some of the previous versions (e.g. before 0.4), Tensors had to be wrapped in Variable objects to be used in autograd; however Variables have now been deprecated. In addition 1.0+ versions separate a Tensor's datatype from its device, and use numpy-style factories for constructing Tensors rather than directly invoking Tensor constructors.

1.1 How will I learn PyTorch?

Justin Johnson has made an excellent tutorial for PyTorch.

You can also find the detailed API doc here. If you have other questions that are not addressed by the API docs, the PyTorch forum is a much better place to ask than StackOverflow.

1.2 Install PyTorch 1.4 (ONLY IF YOU ARE WORKING LOCALLY)

- 1. Have the latest version of Anaconda installed on your machine.
- 2. Create a new conda environment starting from Python 3.7. In this setup example, we'll call it torch_env.
- 3. Run the command: conda activate torch_env
- 4. Run the command: pip install torch==1.4 torchvision==0.5.0

2 Table of Contents

This assignment has 5 parts. You will learn PyTorch on three different levels of abstraction, which will help you understand it better and prepare you for the final project.

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- 3. Part III, PyTorch Module API: **Abstraction level 2**, we will use nn. Module to define arbitrary neural network architecture.
- 4. Part IV, PyTorch Sequential API: **Abstraction level 3**, we will use nn.Sequential to define a linear feed-forward network very conveniently.

5. Part V, CIFAR-10 open-ended challenge: please implement your own network to get as high accuracy as possible on CIFAR-10. You can experiment with any layer, optimizer, hyperparameters or other advanced features.

Here is a table of comparison:

| API | Flexibility | Convenience |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Barebone nn.Module nn.Sequential | High High Low | Low Medium High |

3 Part I. Preparation

First, we load the CIFAR-10 dataset. This might take a couple minutes the first time you do it, but the files should stay cached after that.

In previous parts of the assignment we had to write our own code to download the CIFAR-10 dataset, preprocess it, and iterate through it in minibatches; PyTorch provides convenient tools to automate this process for us.

```
[0]: import torch
   assert '.'.join(torch.__version__.split('.')[:2]) == '1.4'
   import torch.nn as nn
   import torch.optim as optim
   from torch.utils.data import DataLoader
   from torch.utils.data import sampler

import torchvision.datasets as dset
   import torchvision.transforms as T

import numpy as np
```

You have an option to use GPU by setting the flag to True below. It is not necessary to use GPU for this assignment. Note that if your computer does not have CUDA enabled, torch.cuda.is_available() will return False and this notebook will fallback to CPU mode.

The global variables dtype and device will control the data types throughout this assignment.

3.1 Colab Users

If you are using Colab, you need to manually switch to a GPU device. You can do this by clicking Runtime -> Change runtime type and selecting GPU under Hardware Accelerator. Note that you have to rerun the cells from the top since the kernel gets restarted upon switching runtimes.

```
[0]: USE_GPU = True

dtype = torch.float32 # we will be using float throughout this tutorial

if USE_GPU and torch.cuda.is_available():
    device = torch.device('cuda')

else:
    device = torch.device('cpu')

# Constant to control how frequently we print train loss
print_every = 100

print('using device:', device)
```

4 Part II. Barebones PyTorch

PyTorch ships with high-level APIs to help us define model architectures conveniently, which we will cover in Part II of this tutorial. In this section, we will start with the barebone PyTorch elements to understand the autograd engine better. After this exercise, you will come to appreciate the high-level model API more.

We will start with a simple fully-connected ReLU network with two hidden layers and no biases for CIFAR classification. This implementation computes the forward pass using operations on PyTorch Tensors, and uses PyTorch autograd to compute gradients. It is important that you understand every line, because you will write a harder version after the example.

When we create a PyTorch Tensor with requires_grad=True, then operations involving that Tensor will not just compute values; they will also build up a computational graph in the background, allowing us to easily backpropagate through the graph to compute gradients of some Tensors with respect to a downstream loss. Concretely if x is a Tensor with x.requires_grad == True then after backpropagation x.grad will be another Tensor holding the gradient of x with respect to the scalar loss at the end.

4.0.1 PyTorch Tensors: Flatten Function

A PyTorch Tensor is conceptionally similar to a numpy array: it is an n-dimensional grid of numbers, and like numpy PyTorch provides many functions to efficiently operate on Tensors. As a simple example, we provide a flatten function below which reshapes image data for use in a fully-connected neural network.

Recall that image data is typically stored in a Tensor of shape N x C x H x W, where:

- N is the number of datapoints
- C is the number of channels
- H is the height of the intermediate feature map in pixels
- W is the height of the intermediate feature map in pixels

This is the right way to represent the data when we are doing something like a 2D convolution, that needs spatial understanding of where the intermediate features are relative to each other. When we use fully connected affine layers to process the image, however, we want each datapoint to be represented by a single vector -- it's no longer useful to segregate the different channels, rows, and columns of the data. So, we use a "flatten" operation to collapse the C \times H \times W values per representation into a single long vector. The flatten function below first reads in the N, C, H, and W values from a given batch of data, and then returns a "view" of that data. "View" is analogous to numpy's "reshape" method: it reshapes \times dimensions to be N \times ??, where ?? is allowed to be anything (in this case, it will be C \times H \times W, but we don't need to specify that explicitly).

4.0.2 Barebones PyTorch: Two-Layer Network

Here we define a function two_layer_fc which performs the forward pass of a two-layer fully-connected ReLU network on a batch of image data. After defining the forward pass we check that it doesn't crash and that it produces outputs of the right shape by running zeros through the network.

You don't have to write any code here, but it's important that you read and understand the implementation.

```
[0]: import torch.nn.functional as F # useful stateless functions
   def two_layer_fc(x, params):
        11 11 11
        A fully-connected neural networks; the architecture is:
        NN is fully connected -> ReLU -> fully connected layer.
        Note that this function only defines the forward pass;
        PyTorch will take care of the backward pass for us.
        The input to the network will be a minibatch of data, of shape
        (N, d1, \ldots, dM) where d1 * \ldots * dM = D. The hidden layer will have H_{\sqcup}
     \hookrightarrow units,
        and the output layer will produce scores for C classes.
        Inputs:
        - x: A PyTorch Tensor of shape (N, d1, ..., dM) giving a minibatch of
          input data.
        - params: A list [w1, w2] of PyTorch Tensors giving weights for the network;
          w1 has shape (D, H) and w2 has shape (H, C).
        Returns:
        - scores: A PyTorch Tensor of shape (N, C) giving classification scores for
          the input data x.
        # first we flatten the image
        x = flatten(x) # shape: [batch_size, C x H x W]
        w1, w2 = params
        # Forward pass: compute predicted y using operations on Tensors. Since w1_{\sqcup}
     \rightarrow and
        # w2 have requires grad=True, operations involving these Tensors will cause
        # PyTorch to build a computational graph, allowing automatic computation of
        \# gradients. Since we are no longer implementing the backward pass by hand
        # don't need to keep references to intermediate values.
        # you can also use `.clamp(min=0)`, equivalent to F.relu()
        x = F.relu(x.mm(w1))
        x = x.mm(w2)
```

```
def two_layer_fc_test():
    hidden_layer_size = 42
    x = torch.zeros((64, 50), dtype=dtype) # minibatch size 64, feature_
    dimension 50
    w1 = torch.zeros((50, hidden_layer_size), dtype=dtype)
    w2 = torch.zeros((hidden_layer_size, 10), dtype=dtype)
    scores = two_layer_fc(x, [w1, w2])
    print(scores.size()) # you should see [64, 10]

two_layer_fc_test()
```

4.0.3 Barebones PyTorch: Three-Layer ConvNet

Here you will complete the implementation of the function three_layer_convnet, which will perform the forward pass of a three-layer convolutional network. Like above, we can immediately test our implementation by passing zeros through the network. The network should have the following architecture:

- 1. A convolutional layer (with bias) with channel_1 filters, each with shape KW1 x KH1, and zero-padding of two
- 2. ReLU nonlinearity
- 3. A convolutional layer (with bias) with channel_2 filters, each with shape KW2 x KH2, and zero-padding of one
- 4. ReLU nonlinearity
- 5. Fully-connected layer with bias, producing scores for C classes.

Note that we have **no softmax activation** here after our fully-connected layer: this is because PyTorch's cross entropy loss performs a softmax activation for you, and by bundling that step in makes computation more efficient.

HINT: For convolutions: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#torch.nn.functional.conv2d; pay attention to the shapes of convolutional filters!

```
[0]: def three_layer_convnet(x, params):
    """

Performs the forward pass of a three-layer convolutional network with the architecture defined above.

Inputs:
    - x: A PyTorch Tensor of shape (N, 3, H, W) giving a minibatch of images
    - params: A list of PyTorch Tensors giving the weights and biases for the network; should contain the following:
    - conv_w1: PyTorch Tensor of shape (channel_1, 3, KH1, KW1) giving

→ weights

for the first convolutional layer
```

```
- conv_b1: PyTorch Tensor of shape (channel_1,) giving biases for the_
\hookrightarrow first
     convolutional layer
    - conv_w2: PyTorch Tensor of shape (channel_2, channel_1, KH2, KW2) ∪
\hookrightarrow giving
     weights for the second convolutional layer
    - conv_b2: PyTorch Tensor of shape (channel_2,) giving biases for the_
\hookrightarrow second
     convolutional layer
    - fc\_w: PyTorch Tensor giving weights for the fully-connected layer. Can\sqcup
\hookrightarrow you
     figure out what the shape should be?
    - fc_b: PyTorch Tensor giving biases for the fully-connected layer. Can_{\sqcup}
\hookrightarrow you
     figure out what the shape should be?
  Returns:
  - scores: PyTorch Tensor of shape (N, C) giving classification scores for x
  conv_w1, conv_b1, conv_w2, conv_b2, fc_w, fc_b = params
  scores = None
# TODO: Implement the forward pass for the three-layer ConvNet.
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
  pass
  # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
  #
   #
return scores
```

After defining the forward pass of the ConvNet above, run the following cell to test your implementation.

When you run this function, scores should have shape (64, 10).

```
[0]: def three_layer_convnet_test():
    x = torch.zeros((64, 3, 32, 32), dtype=dtype) # minibatch size 64, image
    →size [3, 32, 32]
```

```
conv_w1 = torch.zeros((6, 3, 5, 5), dtype=dtype) # [out_channel, \u00cd
in_channel, kernel_H, kernel_W]
conv_b1 = torch.zeros((6,)) # out_channel
conv_w2 = torch.zeros((9, 6, 3, 3), dtype=dtype) # [out_channel, \u00cd
in_channel, kernel_H, kernel_W]
conv_b2 = torch.zeros((9,)) # out_channel

# you must calculate the shape of the tensor after two conv layers, before
the fully-connected layer
fc_w = torch.zeros((9 * 32 * 32, 10))
fc_b = torch.zeros(10)

scores = three_layer_convnet(x, [conv_w1, conv_b1, conv_w2, conv_b2, fc_w, \u00cd
fc_b])
print(scores.size()) # you should see [64, 10]
three_layer_convnet_test()
```

4.0.4 Barebones PyTorch: Initialization

Let's write a couple utility methods to initialize the weight matrices for our models.

- random_weight(shape) initializes a weight tensor with the Kaiming normalization method.
- zero_weight(shape) initializes a weight tensor with all zeros. Useful for instantiating bias parameters.

The random_weight function uses the Kaiming normal initialization method, described in: He et al, *Delving Deep into Rectifiers: Surpassing Human-Level Performance on ImageNet Classification*, ICCV 2015, https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.01852

```
[0]: def random_weight(shape):
        11 11 11
        Create random Tensors for weights; setting requires_grad=True means that we
        want to compute gradients for these Tensors during the backward pass.
        We use Kaiming normalization: sqrt(2 / fan_in)
        if len(shape) == 2: # FC weight
            fan in = shape[0]
        else:
            fan_in = np.prod(shape[1:]) # conv weight [out_channel, in_channel, kH,__
     \rightarrow kW7
        # randn is standard normal distribution generator.
        w = torch.randn(shape, device=device, dtype=dtype) * np.sqrt(2. / fan_in)
        w.requires_grad = True
        return w
   def zero_weight(shape):
        return torch.zeros(shape, device=device, dtype=dtype, requires_grad=True)
```

```
# create a weight of shape [3 x 5]
# you should see the type `torch.cuda.FloatTensor` if you use GPU.
# Otherwise it should be `torch.FloatTensor`
random_weight((3, 5))
```

4.0.5 Barebones PyTorch: Check Accuracy

When training the model we will use the following function to check the accuracy of our model on the training or validation sets.

When checking accuracy we don't need to compute any gradients; as a result we don't need PyTorch to build a computational graph for us when we compute scores. To prevent a graph from being built we scope our computation under a torch.no_grad() context manager.

```
[0]: def check_accuracy_part2(loader, model_fn, params):
       Check the accuracy of a classification model.
       Inputs:
        - loader: A DataLoader for the data split we want to check
        - model_fn: A function that performs the forward pass of the model,
         with the signature scores = model_fn(x, params)
        - params: List of PyTorch Tensors giving parameters of the model
       Returns: Nothing, but prints the accuracy of the model
       split = 'val' if loader.dataset.train else 'test'
       print('Checking accuracy on the %s set' % split)
       num_correct, num_samples = 0, 0
       with torch.no_grad():
           for x, y in loader:
               x = x.to(device=device, dtype=dtype) # move to device, e.g. GPU
                y = y.to(device=device, dtype=torch.int64)
                scores = model_fn(x, params)
                _, preds = scores.max(1)
               num_correct += (preds == y).sum()
               num_samples += preds.size(0)
           acc = float(num_correct) / num_samples
           print('Got %d / %d correct (%.2f%%)' % (num_correct, num_samples, 100 *⊔
     →acc))
```

4.0.6 BareBones PyTorch: Training Loop

We can now set up a basic training loop to train our network. We will train the model using stochastic gradient descent without momentum. We will use torch.functional.cross_entropy to compute the loss; you can read about it here.

The training loop takes as input the neural network function, a list of initialized parameters ([w1, w2] in our example), and learning rate.

```
[0]: def train_part2(model_fn, params, learning_rate):
        Train a model on CIFAR-10.
       Inputs:
        - model_fn: A Python function that performs the forward pass of the model.
         It should have the signature scores = model_fn(x, params) where x is a
         PyTorch Tensor of image data, params is a list of PyTorch Tensors giving
         model weights, and scores is a PyTorch Tensor of shape (N, C) giving
          scores for the elements in x.
        - params: List of PyTorch Tensors giving weights for the model
        - learning_rate: Python scalar giving the learning rate to use for SGD
       Returns: Nothing
        11 11 11
       for t, (x, y) in enumerate(loader_train):
            # Move the data to the proper device (GPU or CPU)
           x = x.to(device=device, dtype=dtype)
           y = y.to(device=device, dtype=torch.long)
            # Forward pass: compute scores and loss
            scores = model fn(x, params)
           loss = F.cross_entropy(scores, y)
            # Backward pass: PyTorch figures out which Tensors in the computational
            # graph has requires grad=True and uses backpropagation to compute the
            # gradient of the loss with respect to these Tensors, and stores the
            # gradients in the .grad attribute of each Tensor.
            loss.backward()
            # Update parameters. We don't want to backpropagate through the
            # parameter updates, so we scope the updates under a torch.no_grad()
            # context manager to prevent a computational graph from being built.
            with torch.no_grad():
                for w in params:
                    w -= learning_rate * w.grad
                    # Manually zero the gradients after running the backward pass
                    w.grad.zero ()
            if t % print_every == 0:
                print('Iteration %d, loss = %.4f' % (t, loss.item()))
                check_accuracy_part2(loader_val, model_fn, params)
                print()
```

4.0.7 BareBones PyTorch: Train a Two-Layer Network

Now we are ready to run the training loop. We need to explicitly allocate tensors for the fully connected weights, w1 and w2.

Each minibatch of CIFAR has 64 examples, so the tensor shape is [64, 3, 32, 32].

After flattening, x shape should be [64, 3 * 32 * 32]. This will be the size of the first dimension of w1. The second dimension of w1 is the hidden layer size, which will also be the first dimension of w2.

Finally, the output of the network is a 10-dimensional vector that represents the probability distribution over 10 classes.

You don't need to tune any hyperparameters but you should see accuracies above 40% after training for one epoch.

```
[0]: hidden_layer_size = 4000
learning_rate = 1e-2

w1 = random_weight((3 * 32 * 32, hidden_layer_size))
w2 = random_weight((hidden_layer_size, 10))

train_part2(two_layer_fc, [w1, w2], learning_rate)
```

4.0.8 BareBones PyTorch: Training a ConvNet

In the below you should use the functions defined above to train a three-layer convolutional network on CIFAR. The network should have the following architecture:

- 1. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 32 5x5 filters, with zero-padding of 2
- 2. ReLU
- 3. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 16 3x3 filters, with zero-padding of 1
- 4 Ralli
- 5. Fully-connected layer (with bias) to compute scores for 10 classes

You should initialize your weight matrices using the random_weight function defined above, and you should initialize your bias vectors using the zero_weight function above.

You don't need to tune any hyperparameters, but if everything works correctly you should achieve an accuracy above 42% after one epoch.

```
[0]: learning_rate = 3e-3
    channel_1 = 32
    channel_2 = 16

conv_w1 = None
    conv_b1 = None
    conv_w2 = None
    conv_b2 = None
    fc_w = None
    fc_b = None
```

5 Part III. PyTorch Module API

Barebone PyTorch requires that we track all the parameter tensors by hand. This is fine for small networks with a few tensors, but it would be extremely inconvenient and error-prone to track tens or hundreds of tensors in larger networks.

PyTorch provides the nn.Module API for you to define arbitrary network architectures, while tracking every learnable parameters for you. In Part II, we implemented SGD ourselves. PyTorch also provides the torch.optim package that implements all the common optimizers, such as RM-SProp, Adagrad, and Adam. It even supports approximate second-order methods like L-BFGS! You can refer to the doc for the exact specifications of each optimizer.

To use the Module API, follow the steps below:

- Subclass nn. Module. Give your network class an intuitive name like TwoLayerFC.
- 2. In the constructor __init__(), define all the layers you need as class attributes. Layer objects like nn.Linear and nn.Conv2d are themselves nn.Module subclasses and contain learnable parameters, so that you don't have to instantiate the raw tensors yourself. nn.Module will track these internal parameters for you. Refer to the doc to learn more about the dozens of builtin layers. Warning: don't forget to call the super().__init__() first!
- 3. In the forward() method, define the *connectivity* of your network. You should use the attributes defined in __init__ as function calls that take tensor as input and output the "transformed" tensor. Do *not* create any new layers with learnable parameters in forward()! All of them must be declared upfront in __init__.

After you define your Module subclass, you can instantiate it as an object and call it just like the NN forward function in part II.

5.0.1 Module API: Two-Layer Network

Here is a concrete example of a 2-layer fully connected network:

```
[0]: class TwoLayerFC(nn.Module):
        def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, num_classes):
            super(). init ()
            # assign layer objects to class attributes
            self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
            # nn.init package contains convenient initialization methods
            # http://pytorch.org/docs/master/nn.html#torch-nn-init
            nn.init.kaiming_normal_(self.fc1.weight)
            self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, num_classes)
            nn.init.kaiming_normal_(self.fc2.weight)
       def forward(self, x):
            # forward always defines connectivity
            x = flatten(x)
            scores = self.fc2(F.relu(self.fc1(x)))
            return scores
   def test_TwoLayerFC():
       input_size = 50
       x = torch.zeros((64, input_size), dtype=dtype) # minibatch size 64, __
    \rightarrow feature dimension 50
       model = TwoLayerFC(input_size, 42, 10)
        scores = model(x)
       print(scores.size()) # you should see [64, 10]
   test_TwoLayerFC()
```

5.0.2 Module API: Three-Layer ConvNet

It's your turn to implement a 3-layer ConvNet followed by a fully connected layer. The network architecture should be the same as in Part II:

- 1. Convolutional layer with channel_1 5x5 filters with zero-padding of 2
- 2. ReLU
- 3. Convolutional layer with channel_2 3x3 filters with zero-padding of 1
- 4. ReLU
- 5. Fully-connected layer to num_classes classes

You should initialize the weight matrices of the model using the Kaiming normal initialization method.

HINT: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#conv2d

After you implement the three-layer ConvNet, the test_ThreeLayerConvNet function will run your implementation; it should print (64, 10) for the shape of the output scores.

```
# TODO: Set up the layers you need for a three-layer ConvNet with the
⇔#
    # architecture defined above.
                                            Ш
→#
# ****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE) ****
    pass
    # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
→#
def forward(self, x):
    scores = None
# TODO: Implement the forward function for a 3-layer ConvNet. you
_ #
    # should use the layers you defined in __init__ and specify the
                                            ш
→#
    # connectivity of those layers in forward()
                                            1.1
→#
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
    pass
    # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
→#
return scores
def test ThreeLayerConvNet():
```

```
x = torch.zeros((64, 3, 32, 32), dtype=dtype) # minibatch size 64, image_\textsize [3, 32, 32]
model = ThreeLayerConvNet(in_channel=3, channel_1=12, channel_2=8,\textsize num_classes=10)
scores = model(x)
print(scores.size()) # you should see [64, 10]
test_ThreeLayerConvNet()
```

5.0.3 Module API: Check Accuracy

Given the validation or test set, we can check the classification accuracy of a neural network.

This version is slightly different from the one in part II. You don't manually pass in the parameters anymore.

```
[0]: def check_accuracy_part34(loader, model):
        if loader.dataset.train:
           print('Checking accuracy on validation set')
       else:
            print('Checking accuracy on test set')
       num_correct = 0
       num_samples = 0
       model.eval() # set model to evaluation mode
       with torch.no_grad():
            for x, y in loader:
                x = x.to(device=device, dtype=dtype) # move to device, e.q. GPU
                y = y.to(device=device, dtype=torch.long)
                scores = model(x)
                _, preds = scores.max(1)
               num_correct += (preds == y).sum()
                num_samples += preds.size(0)
            acc = float(num_correct) / num_samples
            print('Got %d / %d correct (%.2f)' % (num_correct, num_samples, 100 *u
     →acc))
```

5.0.4 Module API: Training Loop

We also use a slightly different training loop. Rather than updating the values of the weights ourselves, we use an Optimizer object from the torch.optim package, which abstract the notion of an optimization algorithm and provides implementations of most of the algorithms commonly used to optimize neural networks.

```
[0]: def train_part34(model, optimizer, epochs=1):
    """

    Train a model on CIFAR-10 using the PyTorch Module API.

Inputs:
    - model: A PyTorch Module giving the model to train.
    - optimizer: An Optimizer object we will use to train the model
```

```
- epochs: (Optional) A Python integer giving the number of epochs to train_{\sqcup}
\hookrightarrow for
  Returns: Nothing, but prints model accuracies during training.
  model = model.to(device=device) # move the model parameters to CPU/GPU
  for e in range(epochs):
       for t, (x, y) in enumerate(loader_train):
           model.train() # put model to training mode
           x = x.to(device=device, dtype=dtype) # move to device, e.g. GPU
           y = y.to(device=device, dtype=torch.long)
           scores = model(x)
           loss = F.cross_entropy(scores, y)
           # Zero out all of the gradients for the variables which the
\rightarrow optimizer
           # will update.
           optimizer.zero_grad()
           # This is the backwards pass: compute the gradient of the loss with
           # respect to each parameter of the model.
           loss.backward()
           # Actually update the parameters of the model using the gradients
           # computed by the backwards pass.
           optimizer.step()
           if t % print_every == 0:
               print('Iteration %d, loss = %.4f' % (t, loss.item()))
               check_accuracy_part34(loader_val, model)
               print()
```

5.0.5 Module API: Train a Two-Layer Network

Now we are ready to run the training loop. In contrast to part II, we don't explicitly allocate parameter tensors anymore.

Simply pass the input size, hidden layer size, and number of classes (i.e. output size) to the constructor of TwoLayerFC.

You also need to define an optimizer that tracks all the learnable parameters inside TwoLayerFC.

You don't need to tune any hyperparameters, but you should see model accuracies above 40% after training for one epoch.

```
[0]: hidden_layer_size = 4000 learning_rate = 1e-2 model = TwoLayerFC(3 * 32 * 32, hidden_layer_size, 10)
```

```
optimizer = optim.SGD(model.parameters(), lr=learning_rate)
train_part34(model, optimizer)
```

5.0.6 Module API: Train a Three-Layer ConvNet

You should now use the Module API to train a three-layer ConvNet on CIFAR. This should look very similar to training the two-layer network! You don't need to tune any hyperparameters, but you should achieve above 45% after training for one epoch.

You should train the model using stochastic gradient descent without momentum.

6 Part IV. PyTorch Sequential API

Part III introduced the PyTorch Module API, which allows you to define arbitrary learnable layers and their connectivity.

For simple models like a stack of feed forward layers, you still need to go through 3 steps: subclass nn.Module, assign layers to class attributes in __init__, and call each layer one by one in forward(). Is there a more convenient way?

Fortunately, PyTorch provides a container Module called nn.Sequential, which merges the above steps into one. It is not as flexible as nn.Module, because you cannot specify more complex topology than a feed-forward stack, but it's good enough for many use cases.

6.0.1 Sequential API: Two-Layer Network

Let's see how to rewrite our two-layer fully connected network example with nn. Sequential, and train it using the training loop defined above.

Again, you don't need to tune any hyperparameters here, but you should achieve above 40% accuracy after one epoch of training.

```
[0]: # We need to wrap `flatten` function in a module in order to stack it
   # in nn.Sequential
   class Flatten(nn.Module):
       def forward(self, x):
           return flatten(x)
   hidden_layer_size = 4000
   learning_rate = 1e-2
   model = nn.Sequential(
       Flatten(),
       nn.Linear(3 * 32 * 32, hidden_layer_size),
       nn.ReLU(),
       nn.Linear(hidden_layer_size, 10),
   )
   # you can use Nesterov momentum in optim.SGD
   optimizer = optim.SGD(model.parameters(), lr=learning_rate,
                         momentum=0.9, nesterov=True)
   train_part34(model, optimizer)
```

6.0.2 Sequential API: Three-Layer ConvNet

Here you should use nn.Sequential to define and train a three-layer ConvNet with the same architecture we used in Part III:

- 1. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 32 5x5 filters, with zero-padding of 2
- 2. ReLU
- 3. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 16 3x3 filters, with zero-padding of 1
- 4. ReLU
- 5. Fully-connected layer (with bias) to compute scores for 10 classes

You should initialize your weight matrices using the random_weight function defined above, and you should initialize your bias vectors using the zero_weight function above.

You should optimize your model using stochastic gradient descent with Nesterov momentum 0.9.

Again, you don't need to tune any hyperparameters but you should see accuracy above 55% after one epoch of training.

```
[0]: channel_1 = 32
    channel_2 = 16
    learning_rate = 1e-2

model = None
    optimizer = None
```

7 Part V. CIFAR-10 open-ended challenge

In this section, you can experiment with whatever ConvNet architecture you'd like on CIFAR-10.

Now it's your job to experiment with architectures, hyperparameters, loss functions, and optimizers to train a model that achieves at least 70% accuracy on the CIFAR-10 validation set within 10 epochs. You can use the check_accuracy and train functions from above. You can use either nn.Module or nn.Sequential API.

Describe what you did at the end of this notebook.

Here are the official API documentation for each component. One note: what we call in the class "spatial batch norm" is called "BatchNorm2D" in PyTorch.

- Layers in torch.nn package: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html
- Activations: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#non-linear-activations
- Loss functions: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#loss-functions
- Optimizers: http://pytorch.org/docs/stable/optim.html

7.0.1 Things you might try:

- Filter size: Above we used 5x5; would smaller filters be more efficient?
- Number of filters: Above we used 32 filters. Do more or fewer do better?
- Pooling vs Strided Convolution: Do you use max pooling or just stride convolutions?
- **Batch normalization**: Try adding spatial batch normalization after convolution layers and vanilla batch normalization after affine layers. Do your networks train faster?
- **Network architecture**: The network above has two layers of trainable parameters. Can you do better with a deep network? Good architectures to try include:
 - [conv-relu-pool]xN -> [affine]xM -> [softmax or SVM]
 - [conv-relu-conv-relu-pool]xN -> [affine]xM -> [softmax or SVM]
 - [batchnorm-relu-conv]xN -> [affine]xM -> [softmax or SVM]

- Global Average Pooling: Instead of flattening and then having multiple affine layers, perform convolutions until your image gets small (7x7 or so) and then perform an average pooling operation to get to a 1x1 image picture (1, 1, Filter#), which is then reshaped into a (Filter#) vector. This is used in Google's Inception Network (See Table 1 for their architecture).
- Regularization: Add 12 weight regularization, or perhaps use Dropout.

7.0.2 Tips for training

For each network architecture that you try, you should tune the learning rate and other hyperparameters. When doing this there are a couple important things to keep in mind:

- If the parameters are working well, you should see improvement within a few hundred iterations
- Remember the coarse-to-fine approach for hyperparameter tuning: start by testing a large range of hyperparameters for just a few training iterations to find the combinations of parameters that are working at all.
- Once you have found some sets of parameters that seem to work, search more finely around these parameters. You may need to train for more epochs.
- You should use the validation set for hyperparameter search, and save your test set for evaluating your architecture on the best parameters as selected by the validation set.

7.0.3 Going above and beyond

If you are feeling adventurous there are many other features you can implement to try and improve your performance. You are **not required** to implement any of these, but don't miss the fun if you have time!

- Alternative optimizers: you can try Adam, Adagrad, RMSprop, etc.
- Alternative activation functions such as leaky ReLU, parametric ReLU, ELU, or MaxOut.
- Model ensembles
- Data augmentation
- New Architectures
- ResNets where the input from the previous layer is added to the output.
- DenseNets where inputs into previous layers are concatenated together.
- This blog has an in-depth overview

7.0.4 Have fun and happy training!

```
# Note that you can use the check_accuracy function to evaluate on either
→#
# the test set or the validation set, by passing either loader_test or
                                                         ш
# loader val as the second argument to check accuracy. You should not touch
# the test set until you have finished your architecture and hyperparameter
# tuning, and only run the test set once at the end to report a final value.
model = None
optimizer = None
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)*****
pass
# *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE) *****
END OF YOUR CODE
# You should get at least 70% accuracy
train_part34(model, optimizer, epochs=10)
```

7.1 Describe what you did

In the cell below you should write an explanation of what you did, any additional features that you implemented, and/or any graphs that you made in the process of training and evaluating your network.

TODO: Describe what you did

7.2 Test set -- run this only once

Now that we've gotten a result we're happy with, we test our final model on the test set (which you should store in best_model). Think about how this compares to your validation set accuracy.

```
[0]: best_model = model check_accuracy_part34(loader_test, best_model)
```

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```
[]: # this mounts your Google Drive to the Colab VM.
   from google.colab import drive
   drive.mount('/content/drive', force_remount=True)
   # enter the foldername in your Drive where you have saved the unzipped
   # assignment folder, e.g. 'cs231n/assignments/assignment3/'
   FOLDERNAME = None
   assert FOLDERNAME is not None, "[!] Enter the foldername."
   # now that we've mounted your Drive, this ensures that
   # the Python interpreter of the Colab VM can load
   # python files from within it.
   import sys
   sys.path.append('/content/drive/My Drive/{}'.format(FOLDERNAME))
   # this downloads the CIFAR-10 dataset to your Drive
   # if it doesn't already exist.
   %cd drive/My\ Drive/$FOLDERNAME/cs231n/datasets/
   !bash get_datasets.sh
   %cd /content
```

1 What's this TensorFlow business?

You've written a lot of code in this assignment to provide a whole host of neural network functionality. Dropout, Batch Norm, and 2D convolutions are some of the workhorses of deep learning in computer vision. You've also worked hard to make your code efficient and vectorized.

For the last part of this assignment, though, we're going to leave behind your beautiful codebase and instead migrate to one of two popular deep learning frameworks: in this instance, TensorFlow (or PyTorch, if you choose to work with that notebook).

What is it? TensorFlow is a system for executing computational graphs over Tensor objects, with native support for performing backpropagation for its Variables. In it, we work with Tensors which are n-dimensional arrays analogous to the numpy ndarray.

Why?

- Our code will now run on GPUs! Much faster training. Writing your own modules to run on GPUs is beyond the scope of this class, unfortunately.
- We want you to be ready to use one of these frameworks for your project so you can experiment more efficiently than if you were writing every feature you want to use by hand.
- We want you to stand on the shoulders of giants! TensorFlow and PyTorch are both excellent frameworks that will make your lives a lot easier, and now that you understand their guts, you are free to use them:)
- We want you to be exposed to the sort of deep learning code you might run into in academia
 or industry.

1.1 How will I learn TensorFlow?

TensorFlow has many excellent tutorials available, including those from Google themselves.

Otherwise, this notebook will walk you through much of what you need to do to train models in TensorFlow. See the end of the notebook for some links to helpful tutorials if you want to learn more or need further clarification on topics that aren't fully explained here.

NOTE: This notebook is meant to teach you the latest version of Tensorflow which is as of this homework version 2.2.0-rc3. Most examples on the web today are still in 1.x, so be careful not to confuse the two when looking up documentation.

1.2 Install Tensorflow 2.0 (ONLY IF YOU ARE WORKING LOCALLY)

- 1. Have the latest version of Anaconda installed on your machine.
- 2. Create a new conda environment starting from Python 3.7. In this setup example, we'll call it tf_20_env.
- 3. Run the command: source activate tf_20_env
- 4. Then pip install TF 2.0 as described here: https://www.tensorflow.org/install

2 Table of Contents

This notebook has 5 parts. We will walk through TensorFlow at **three different levels of abstraction**, which should help you better understand it and prepare you for working on your project.

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- 3. Part III, Keras Model API: **Abstraction Level 2**, we will use tf.keras.Model to define arbitrary neural network architecture.
- 4. Part IV, Keras Sequential + Functional API: Abstraction Level 3, we will use tf.keras.Sequential to define a linear feed-forward network very conveniently, and then explore the functional libraries for building unique and uncommon models that require more flexibility.
- 5. Part V, CIFAR-10 open-ended challenge: please implement your own network to get as high accuracy as possible on CIFAR-10. You can experiment with any layer, optimizer, hyperparameters or other advanced features.

We will discuss Keras in more detail later in the notebook. Here is a table of comparison:

| API | Flexibility | Convenience |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Barebone | High | Low |
| tf.keras.Model | High | Medium |
| tf.keras.Sequential | Low | High |

3 Part I: Preparation

First, we load the CIFAR-10 dataset. This might take a few minutes to download the first time you run it, but after that the files should be cached on disk and loading should be faster.

In previous parts of the assignment we used CS231N-specific code to download and read the CIFAR-10 dataset; however the tf.keras.datasets package in TensorFlow provides prebuilt utility functions for loading many common datasets.

For the purposes of this assignment we will still write our own code to preprocess the data and iterate through it in minibatches. The tf.data package in TensorFlow provides tools for automating this process, but working with this package adds extra complication and is beyond the scope of this notebook. However using tf.data can be much more efficient than the simple approach used in this notebook, so you should consider using it for your project.

```
[]: import os
   import tensorflow as tf
   import numpy as np
   import math
   import timeit
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   %matplotlib inline
[]: def load_cifar10(num_training=49000, num_validation=1000, num_test=10000):
       Fetch the CIFAR-10 dataset from the web and perform preprocessing to_{\sqcup}
    \rightarrowprepare
        it for the two-layer neural net classifier. These are the same steps as
       we used for the SVM, but condensed to a single function.
        11 11 11
       # Load the raw CIFAR-10 dataset and use appropriate data types and shapes
       cifar10 = tf.keras.datasets.cifar10.load_data()
       (X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = cifar10
       X_train = np.asarray(X_train, dtype=np.float32)
       y_train = np.asarray(y_train, dtype=np.int32).flatten()
       X_test = np.asarray(X_test, dtype=np.float32)
       y_test = np.asarray(y_test, dtype=np.int32).flatten()
       # Subsample the data
       mask = range(num_training, num_training + num_validation)
       X_val = X_train[mask]
       y_val = y_train[mask]
       mask = range(num_training)
```

```
X_train = X_train[mask]
       y_train = y_train[mask]
       mask = range(num_test)
       X_test = X_test[mask]
       y_test = y_test[mask]
       # Normalize the data: subtract the mean pixel and divide by std
       mean_pixel = X_train.mean(axis=(0, 1, 2), keepdims=True)
       std_pixel = X_train.std(axis=(0, 1, 2), keepdims=True)
       X_train = (X_train - mean_pixel) / std_pixel
       X_val = (X_val - mean_pixel) / std_pixel
       X_test = (X_test - mean_pixel) / std_pixel
       return X_train, y_train, X_val, y_val, X_test, y_test
   # If there are errors with SSL downloading involving self-signed certificates,
   # it may be that your Python version was recently installed on the current ⊔
    \rightarrow machine.
   # See: https://github.com/tensorflow/tensorflow/issues/10779
   # To fix, run the command: /Applications/Python\ 3.7/Install\ Certificates.
    \hookrightarrow command
      ...replacing paths as necessary.
   # Invoke the above function to get our data.
   NHW = (0, 1, 2)
   X_train, y_train, X_val, y_val, X_test, y_test = load_cifar10()
   print('Train data shape: ', X train.shape)
   print('Train labels shape: ', y_train.shape, y_train.dtype)
   print('Validation data shape: ', X_val.shape)
   print('Validation labels shape: ', y_val.shape)
   print('Test data shape: ', X_test.shape)
   print('Test labels shape: ', y_test.shape)
[]: class Dataset(object):
       def __init__(self, X, y, batch_size, shuffle=False):
            Construct a Dataset object to iterate over data X and labels y
           Inputs:
            - X: Numpy array of data, of any shape
            - y: Numpy array of labels, of any shape but with y.shape[0] == X.
    ⇒shape[0]
            - batch_size: Integer giving number of elements per minibatch
            - shuffle: (optional) Boolean, whether to shuffle the data on each_{\sqcup}
    \rightarrow epoch
```

```
assert X.shape[0] == y.shape[0], 'Got different numbers of data and
    →labels'
           self.X, self.y = X, y
           self.batch_size, self.shuffle = batch_size, shuffle
       def iter (self):
           N, B = self.X.shape[0], self.batch_size
           idxs = np.arange(N)
           if self.shuffle:
               np.random.shuffle(idxs)
           return iter((self.X[i:i+B], self.y[i:i+B]) for i in range(0, N, B))
   train_dset = Dataset(X_train, y_train, batch_size=64, shuffle=True)
   val_dset = Dataset(X_val, y_val, batch_size=64, shuffle=False)
   test_dset = Dataset(X_test, y_test, batch_size=64)
[]: # We can iterate through a dataset like this:
   for t, (x, y) in enumerate(train_dset):
       print(t, x.shape, y.shape)
       if t > 5: break
```

You can optionally use GPU by setting the flag to True below.

3.1 Colab Users

If you are using Colab, you need to manually switch to a GPU device. You can do this by clicking Runtime -> Change runtime type and selecting GPU under Hardware Accelerator. Note that you have to rerun the cells from the top since the kernel gets restarted upon switching runtimes.

```
[]: # Set up some global variables
USE_GPU = True

if USE_GPU:
    device = '/device:GPU:0'
else:
    device = '/cpu:0'

# Constant to control how often we print when training models
print_every = 100

print('Using device: ', device)
```

4 Part II: Barebones TensorFlow

TensorFlow ships with various high-level APIs which make it very convenient to define and train neural networks; we will cover some of these constructs in Part III and Part IV of this notebook. In

this section we will start by building a model with basic TensorFlow constructs to help you better understand what's going on under the hood of the higher-level APIs.

"Barebones Tensorflow" is important to understanding the building blocks of TensorFlow, but much of it involves concepts from TensorFlow 1.x. We will be working with legacy modules such as tf. Variable.

Therefore, please read and understand the differences between legacy (1.x) TF and the new (2.0) TF.

4.0.1 Historical background on TensorFlow 1.x

TensorFlow 1.x is primarily a framework for working with **static computational graphs**. Nodes in the computational graph are Tensors which will hold n-dimensional arrays when the graph is run; edges in the graph represent functions that will operate on Tensors when the graph is run to actually perform useful computation.

Before Tensorflow 2.0, we had to configure the graph into two phases. There are plenty of tutorials online that explain this two-step process. The process generally looks like the following for TF 1.x: 1. **Build a computational graph that describes the computation that you want to perform**. This stage doesn't actually perform any computation; it just builds up a symbolic representation of your computation. This stage will typically define one or more placeholder objects that represent inputs to the computational graph. 2. **Run the computational graph many times**. Each time the graph is run (e.g. for one gradient descent step) you will specify which parts of the graph you want to compute, and pass a feed_dict dictionary that will give concrete values to any placeholders in the graph.

4.0.2 The new paradigm in Tensorflow 2.0

Now, with Tensorflow 2.0, we can simply adopt a functional form that is more Pythonic and similar in spirit to PyTorch and direct Numpy operation. Instead of the 2-step paradigm with computation graphs, making it (among other things) easier to debug TF code. You can read more details at https://www.tensorflow.org/guide/eager.

The main difference between the TF 1.x and 2.0 approach is that the 2.0 approach doesn't make use of tf.Session, tf.run, placeholder, feed_dict. To get more details of what's different between the two version and how to convert between the two, check out the official migration guide: https://www.tensorflow.org/alpha/guide/migration_guide

Later, in the rest of this notebook we'll focus on this new, simpler approach.

4.0.3 TensorFlow warmup: Flatten Function

We can see this in action by defining a simple flatten function that will reshape image data for use in a fully-connected network.

In TensorFlow, data for convolutional feature maps is typically stored in a Tensor of shape N x H x W x C where:

- N is the number of datapoints (minibatch size)
- H is the height of the feature map
- W is the width of the feature map
- C is the number of channels in the feature map

This is the right way to represent the data when we are doing something like a 2D convolution, that needs spatial understanding of where the intermediate features are relative to each other. When we use fully connected affine layers to process the image, however, we want each datapoint to be represented by a single vector -- it's no longer useful to segregate the different channels, rows, and columns of the data. So, we use a "flatten" operation to collapse the H \times W \times C values per representation into a single long vector.

Notice the tf.reshape call has the target shape as (N, -1), meaning it will reshape/keep the first dimension to be N, and then infer as necessary what the second dimension is in the output, so we can collapse the remaining dimensions from the input properly.

NOTE: TensorFlow and PyTorch differ on the default Tensor layout; TensorFlow uses $N \times H \times W \times C$ but PyTorch uses $N \times C \times H \times W$.

```
[]: def flatten(x):
        11 11 11
       Input:
        - TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, D1, ..., DM)
       Output:
        - TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, D1 * ... * DM)
       N = tf.shape(x)[0]
       return tf.reshape(x, (N, -1))
[]: def test_flatten():
        # Construct concrete values of the input data x using numpy
       x_np = np.arange(24).reshape((2, 3, 4))
       print('x_np:\n', x_np, '\n')
       # Compute a concrete output value.
       x_flat_np = flatten(x_np)
       print('x_flat_np:\n', x_flat_np, '\n')
   test_flatten()
```

4.0.4 Barebones TensorFlow: Define a Two-Layer Network

We will now implement our first neural network with TensorFlow: a fully-connected ReLU network with two hidden layers and no biases on the CIFAR10 dataset. For now we will use only low-level TensorFlow operators to define the network; later we will see how to use the higher-level abstractions provided by tf.keras to simplify the process.

We will define the forward pass of the network in the function two_layer_fc; this will accept TensorFlow Tensors for the inputs and weights of the network, and return a TensorFlow Tensor for the scores.

After defining the network architecture in the two_layer_fc function, we will test the implementation by checking the shape of the output.

It's important that you read and understand this implementation.

```
[]: def two_layer_fc(x, params):
    """
    A fully-connected neural network; the architecture is:
```

```
fully-connected layer -> ReLU -> fully connected layer.
       Note that we only need to define the forward pass here; TensorFlow will_{\sqcup}
        care of computing the gradients for us.
       The input to the network will be a minibatch of data, of shape
        (N, d1, \ldots, dM) where d1 * \ldots * dM = D. The hidden layer will have H_{\perp}
    \hookrightarrow units,
       and the output layer will produce scores for C classes.
       Inputs:
        - x: A TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, d1, ..., dM) giving a minibatch of
        - params: A list [w1, w2] of TensorFlow Tensors giving weights for the
          network, where w1 has shape (D, H) and w2 has shape (H, C).
       Returns:
        - scores: A TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, C) giving classification scores
         for the input data x.
       w1, w2 = params
                                           # Unpack the parameters
       x = flatten(x)
                                           # Flatten the input; now x has shape (N,\square
    \hookrightarrow D)
       h = tf.nn.relu(tf.matmul(x, w1)) # Hidden layer: h has shape (N, H)
       scores = tf.matmul(h, w2) # Compute scores of shape (N, C)
       return scores
[]: def two_layer_fc_test():
       hidden_layer_size = 42
       # Scoping our TF operations under a tf.device context manager
       # lets us tell TensorFlow where we want these Tensors to be
       # multiplied and/or operated on, e.g. on a CPU or a GPU.
       with tf.device(device):
            x = tf.zeros((64, 32, 32, 3))
           w1 = tf.zeros((32 * 32 * 3, hidden_layer_size))
           w2 = tf.zeros((hidden_layer_size, 10))
            # Call our two_layer_fc function for the forward pass of the network.
            scores = two_layer_fc(x, [w1, w2])
       print(scores.shape)
   two_layer_fc_test()
```

4.0.5 Barebones TensorFlow: Three-Layer ConvNet

Here you will complete the implementation of the function three_layer_convnet which will perform the forward pass of a three-layer convolutional network. The network should have the following architecture:

- 1. A convolutional layer (with bias) with channel_1 filters, each with shape KW1 x KH1, and zero-padding of two
- 2. ReLU nonlinearity
- 3. A convolutional layer (with bias) with channel_2 filters, each with shape KW2 x KH2, and zero-padding of one
- 4. ReLU nonlinearity
- 5. Fully-connected layer with bias, producing scores for C classes.

HINT: For convolutions: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/nn/conv2d; be careful with padding!

HINT: For biases: https://www.tensorflow.org/performance/xla/broadcasting

```
[]: def three_layer_convnet(x, params):
      A three-layer convolutional network with the architecture described above.
      - x: A TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, H, W, 3) giving a minibatch of images
      - params: A list of TensorFlow Tensors giving the weights and biases for __
    \hookrightarrow the
        network; should contain the following:
        - conv_w1: TensorFlow Tensor of shape (KH1, KW1, 3, channel_1) giving
          weights for the first convolutional layer.
        - conv_b1: TensorFlow Tensor of shape (channel_1,) giving biases for the
          first convolutional layer.
        - conv_w2: TensorFlow Tensor of shape (KH2, KW2, channel_1, channel_2)
          giving weights for the second convolutional layer
        - conv_b2: TensorFlow Tensor of shape (channel_2,) giving biases for the
          second convolutional layer.
        - fc_w: TensorFlow Tensor giving weights for the fully-connected layer.
          Can you figure out what the shape should be?
        - fc_b: TensorFlow Tensor giving biases for the fully-connected layer.
          Can you figure out what the shape should be?
      conv_w1, conv_b1, conv_w2, conv_b2, fc_w, fc_b = params
      scores = None
    # TODO: Implement the forward pass for the three-layer ConvNet.
    →#
    # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
```

After defing the forward pass of the three-layer ConvNet above, run the following cell to test your implementation. Like the two-layer network, we run the graph on a batch of zeros just to make sure the function doesn't crash, and produces outputs of the correct shape.

When you run this function, scores_np should have shape (64, 10).

```
[]: def three_layer_convnet_test():
    with tf.device(device):
        x = tf.zeros((64, 32, 32, 3))
        conv_w1 = tf.zeros((5, 5, 3, 6))
        conv_b1 = tf.zeros((6,))
        conv_w2 = tf.zeros((3, 3, 6, 9))
        conv_b2 = tf.zeros((9,))
        fc_w = tf.zeros((32 * 32 * 9, 10))
        fc_b = tf.zeros((10,))
        params = [conv_w1, conv_b1, conv_w2, conv_b2, fc_w, fc_b]
        scores = three_layer_convnet(x, params)

# Inputs to convolutional layers are 4-dimensional arrays with shape
    # [batch_size, height, width, channels]
        print('scores_np has shape: ', scores.shape)

three_layer_convnet_test()
```

4.0.6 Barebones TensorFlow: Training Step

We now define the training_step function performs a single training step. This will take three basic steps:

- 1. Compute the loss
- 2. Compute the gradient of the loss with respect to all network weights
- 3. Make a weight update step using (stochastic) gradient descent.

We need to use a few new TensorFlow functions to do all of this: - For computing the cross-entropy loss we'll use tf.nn.sparse_softmax_cross_entropy_with_logits: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/nn/sparse_softmax_cross_entropy_with_logit

- For averaging the loss across a minibatch of data we'll use tf.reduce_mean: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/reduce_mean
- For computing gradients of loss with respect the weights we'll use tf.GradientTape (useful for Eager execution): https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/GradientTape
- We'll mutate the weight values stored in a TensorFlow Tensor using tf.assign_sub ("sub" is for subtraction): https://www.tensorflow.org/api_docs/python/tf/assign_sub

```
def training_step(model_fn, x, y, params, learning_rate):
       with tf.GradientTape() as tape:
           scores = model_fn(x, params) # Forward pass of the model
           loss = tf.nn.sparse_softmax_cross_entropy_with_logits(labels=y,_
    →logits=scores)
           total_loss = tf.reduce_mean(loss)
           grad_params = tape.gradient(total_loss, params)
           # Make a vanilla gradient descent step on all of the model parameters
           # Manually update the weights using assign_sub()
           for w, grad_w in zip(params, grad_params):
               w.assign_sub(learning_rate * grad_w)
           return total_loss
def train_part2(model_fn, init_fn, learning_rate):
       Train a model on CIFAR-10.
       Inputs:
       - model_fn: A Python function that performs the forward pass of the model
         using TensorFlow; it should have the following signature:
         scores = model_fn(x, params) where x is a TensorFlow Tensor qiving a
         minibatch of image data, params is a list of TensorFlow Tensors holding
         the model weights, and scores is a TensorFlow Tensor of shape (N, C)
         giving scores for all elements of x.
       - init_fn: A Python function that initializes the parameters of the model.
         It should have the signature params = init_fn() where params is a list
         of TensorFlow Tensors holding the (randomly initialized) weights of the
         model.
        - learning_rate: Python float giving the learning rate to use for SGD.
       params = init_fn() # Initialize the model parameters
       for t, (x_np, y_np) in enumerate(train_dset):
           # Run the graph on a batch of training data.
           loss = training_step(model_fn, x_np, y_np, params, learning_rate)
```

```
# Periodically print the loss and check accuracy on the val set.
           if t % print_every == 0:
               print('Iteration %d, loss = %.4f' % (t, loss))
               check_accuracy(val_dset, x_np, model_fn, params)
[]: def check_accuracy(dset, x, model_fn, params):
       Check accuracy on a classification model, e.g. for validation.
       Inputs:
       - dset: A Dataset object against which to check accuracy
       - x: A TensorFlow placeholder Tensor where input images should be fed
       - model_fn: the Model we will be calling to make predictions on x
       - params: parameters for the model_fn to work with
       Returns: Nothing, but prints the accuracy of the model
       num_correct, num_samples = 0, 0
       for x_batch, y_batch in dset:
           scores_np = model_fn(x_batch, params).numpy()
           y_pred = scores_np.argmax(axis=1)
           num_samples += x_batch.shape[0]
           num_correct += (y_pred == y_batch).sum()
       acc = float(num_correct) / num_samples
       print('Got %d / %d correct (%.2f%%)' % (num_correct, num_samples, 100 *_
    →acc))
```

4.0.7 Barebones TensorFlow: Initialization

We'll use the following utility method to initialize the weight matrices for our models using Kaiming's normalization method.

[1] He et al, Delving Deep into Rectifiers: Surpassing Human-Level Performance on ImageNet Classification, ICCV 2015, https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.01852

```
[]: def create_matrix_with_kaiming_normal(shape):
    if len(shape) == 2:
        fan_in, fan_out = shape[0], shape[1]
    elif len(shape) == 4:
        fan_in, fan_out = np.prod(shape[:3]), shape[3]
    return tf.keras.backend.random_normal(shape) * np.sqrt(2.0 / fan_in)
```

4.0.8 Barebones TensorFlow: Train a Two-Layer Network

We are finally ready to use all of the pieces defined above to train a two-layer fully-connected network on CIFAR-10.

We just need to define a function to initialize the weights of the model, and call train_part2.

Defining the weights of the network introduces another important piece of TensorFlow API: tf.Variable. A TensorFlow Variable is a Tensor whose value is stored in the graph and persists across runs of the computational graph; however unlike constants defined with tf.zeros or tf.random_normal, the values of a Variable can be mutated as the graph runs; these mutations will persist across graph runs. Learnable parameters of the network are usually stored in Variables.

You don't need to tune any hyperparameters, but you should achieve validation accuracies above 40% after one epoch of training.

```
[]: def two_layer_fc_init():
    """
    Initialize the weights of a two-layer network, for use with the
    two_layer_network function defined above.
    You can use the `create_matrix_with_kaiming_normal` helper!

    Inputs: None

    Returns: A list of:
    - w1: TensorFlow tf.Variable giving the weights for the first layer
    - w2: TensorFlow tf.Variable giving the weights for the second layer
    """
    hidden_layer_size = 4000
    w1 = tf.Variable(create_matrix_with_kaiming_normal((3 * 32 * 32, 4000)))
    w2 = tf.Variable(create_matrix_with_kaiming_normal((4000, 10)))
    return [w1, w2]

learning_rate = 1e-2
    train_part2(two_layer_fc, two_layer_fc_init, learning_rate)
```

4.0.9 Barebones TensorFlow: Train a three-layer ConvNet

We will now use TensorFlow to train a three-layer ConvNet on CIFAR-10.

You need to implement the three_layer_convnet_init function. Recall that the architecture of the network is:

- 1. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 32 5x5 filters, with zero-padding 2
- 2. ReLU
- 3. Convolutional layer (with bias) with 16 3x3 filters, with zero-padding 1
- 4. ReLU
- 5. Fully-connected layer (with bias) to compute scores for 10 classes

You don't need to do any hyperparameter tuning, but you should see validation accuracies above 43% after one epoch of training.

```
[]: def three_layer_convnet_init():
    """
    Initialize the weights of a Three-Layer ConvNet, for use with the
    three_layer_convnet function defined above.
    You can use the `create_matrix_with_kaiming_normal` helper!
```

```
Inputs: None
  Returns a list containing:
   - conv_w1: TensorFlow tf. Variable giving weights for the first conv layer
   - conv_b1: TensorFlow tf. Variable giving biases for the first conv layer
   - conv_w2: TensorFlow tf. Variable giving weights for the second conv layer
   - conv_b2: TensorFlow tf. Variable giving biases for the second conv layer
   - fc_w: TensorFlow tf. Variable giving weights for the fully-connected layer

    fc b: TensorFlow tf.Variable giving biases for the fully-connected layer

  params = None
# TODO: Initialize the parameters of the three-layer network.
→#
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
  pass
   # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
→#
return params
learning_rate = 3e-3
train_part2(three_layer_convnet, three_layer_convnet_init, learning rate)
```

5 Part III: Keras Model Subclassing API

Implementing a neural network using the low-level TensorFlow API is a good way to understand how TensorFlow works, but it's a little inconvenient - we had to manually keep track of all Tensors holding learnable parameters. This was fine for a small network, but could quickly become unweildy for a large complex model.

Fortunately TensorFlow 2.0 provides higher-level APIs such as tf.keras which make it easy to build models out of modular, object-oriented layers. Further, TensorFlow 2.0 uses eager execution that evaluates operations immediately, without explicitly constructing any computational graphs. This makes it easy to write and debug models, and reduces the boilerplate code.

In this part of the notebook we will define neural network models using the tf.keras.Model API. To implement your own model, you need to do the following:

1. Define a new class which subclasses tf.keras.Model. Give your class an intuitive name that

describes it, like TwoLayerFC or ThreeLayerConvNet.

- 2. In the initializer __init__() for your new class, define all the layers you need as class attributes. The tf.keras.layers package provides many common neural-network layers, like tf.keras.layers.Dense for fully-connected layers and tf.keras.layers.Conv2D for convolutional layers. Under the hood, these layers will construct Variable Tensors for any learnable parameters. Warning: Don't forget to call super(YourModelName, self).__init__() as the first line in your initializer!
- 3. Implement the call() method for your class; this implements the forward pass of your model, and defines the *connectivity* of your network. Layers defined in __init__() implement __call__() so they can be used as function objects that transform input Tensors into output Tensors. Don't define any new layers in call(); any layers you want to use in the forward pass should be defined in __init__().

After you define your tf.keras.Model subclass, you can instantiate it and use it like the model functions from Part II.

5.0.1 Keras Model Subclassing API: Two-Layer Network

Here is a concrete example of using the tf.keras.Model API to define a two-layer network. There are a few new bits of API to be aware of here:

We use an Initializer object to set up the initial values of the learnable parameters of the layers; in particular tf.initializers.VarianceScaling gives behavior similar to the Kaiming initialization method we used in Part II. You can read more about it here: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/initializers/VarianceScaling

We construct tf.keras.layers.Dense objects to represent the two fully-connected layers of the model. In addition to multiplying their input by a weight matrix and adding a bias vector, these layer can also apply a nonlinearity for you. For the first layer we specify a ReLU activation function by passing activation='relu' to the constructor; the second layer uses softmax activation function. Finally, we use tf.keras.layers.Flatten to flatten the output from the previous fully-connected layer.

```
""" A small unit test to exercise the TwoLayerFC model above. """
input_size, hidden_size, num_classes = 50, 42, 10
x = tf.zeros((64, input_size))
model = TwoLayerFC(hidden_size, num_classes)
with tf.device(device):
    scores = model(x)
    print(scores.shape)

test_TwoLayerFC()
```

5.0.2 Keras Model Subclassing API: Three-Layer ConvNet

Now it's your turn to implement a three-layer ConvNet using the tf.keras.Model API. Your model should have the same architecture used in Part II:

- 1. Convolutional layer with 5 x 5 kernels, with zero-padding of 2
- 2. ReLU nonlinearity
- 3. Convolutional layer with 3 x 3 kernels, with zero-padding of 1
- 4. ReLU nonlinearity
- 5. Fully-connected layer to give class scores
- 6. Softmax nonlinearity

You should initialize the weights of your network using the same initialization method as was used in the two-layer network above.

Hint: Refer to the documentation for tf.keras.layers.Conv2D and tf.keras.layers.Dense: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/keras/layers/Conv2D https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/keras/layers/Dense

```
def call(self, x, training=False):
   scores = None
# TODO: Implement the forward pass for a three-layer ConvNet. You
→#
   # should use the layer objects defined in the __init__ method.
→#
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
   pass
   # ****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
                                     ш
→#
return scores
```

Once you complete the implementation of the ThreeLayerConvNet above you can run the following to ensure that your implementation does not crash and produces outputs of the expected shape.

```
[]: def test_ThreeLayerConvNet():
    channel_1, channel_2, num_classes = 12, 8, 10
    model = ThreeLayerConvNet(channel_1, channel_2, num_classes)
    with tf.device(device):
        x = tf.zeros((64, 3, 32, 32))
        scores = model(x)
        print(scores.shape)

test_ThreeLayerConvNet()
```

5.0.3 Keras Model Subclassing API: Eager Training

While keras models have a builtin training loop (using the model.fit), sometimes you need more customization. Here's an example, of a training loop implemented with eager execution.

In particular, notice tf.GradientTape. Automatic differentiation is used in the backend for implementing backpropagation in frameworks like TensorFlow. During eager execution, tf.GradientTape is used to trace operations for computing gradients later. A particular

tf.GradientTape can only compute one gradient; subsequent calls to tape will throw a runtime error.

TensorFlow 2.0 ships with easy-to-use built-in metrics under tf.keras.metrics module. Each metric is an object, and we can use update_state() to add observations and reset_state() to clear all observations. We can get the current result of a metric by calling result() on the metric object.

```
[]: def train_part34(model_init_fn, optimizer_init_fn, num_epochs=1,_
    →is_training=False):
       Simple training loop for use with models defined using tf.keras. It trains
       a model for one epoch on the CIFAR-10 training set and periodically checks
       accuracy on the CIFAR-10 validation set.
       Inputs:
       - model_init_fn: A function that takes no parameters; when called it
         constructs the model we want to train: model = model_init_fn()
       - optimizer_init_fn: A function which takes no parameters; when called it
         constructs the Optimizer object we will use to optimize the model:
         optimizer = optimizer_init_fn()
       - num_epochs: The number of epochs to train for
       Returns: Nothing, but prints progress during trainingn
       with tf.device(device):
           # Compute the loss like we did in Part II
           loss_fn = tf.keras.losses.SparseCategoricalCrossentropy()
           model = model_init_fn()
           optimizer = optimizer_init_fn()
           train loss = tf.keras.metrics.Mean(name='train loss')
           train_accuracy = tf.keras.metrics.
    →SparseCategoricalAccuracy(name='train_accuracy')
           val_loss = tf.keras.metrics.Mean(name='val_loss')
           val_accuracy = tf.keras.metrics.
    →SparseCategoricalAccuracy(name='val_accuracy')
           t = 0
           for epoch in range(num_epochs):
               # Reset the metrics - https://www.tensorflow.org/alpha/guide/
    →migration_quide#new-style_metrics
               train_loss.reset_states()
               train_accuracy.reset_states()
```

```
for x_np, y_np in train_dset:
               with tf.GradientTape() as tape:
                   # Use the model function to build the forward pass.
                   scores = model(x_np, training=is_training)
                   loss = loss_fn(y_np, scores)
                   gradients = tape.gradient(loss, model.trainable_variables)
                   optimizer apply gradients(zip(gradients, model.
→trainable_variables))
                   # Update the metrics
                   train_loss.update_state(loss)
                   train_accuracy.update_state(y_np, scores)
                   if t % print_every == 0:
                       val loss.reset states()
                       val_accuracy.reset_states()
                       for test_x, test_y in val_dset:
                           # During validation at end of epoch, training set_
→to False
                           prediction = model(test_x, training=False)
                           t_loss = loss_fn(test_y, prediction)
                           val_loss.update_state(t_loss)
                           val_accuracy.update_state(test_y, prediction)
                       template = 'Iteration {}, Epoch {}, Loss: {}, Accuracy: __
→{}, Val Loss: {}, Val Accuracy: {}'
                       print (template.format(t, epoch+1,
                                            train_loss.result(),
                                            train_accuracy.result()*100,
                                            val_loss.result(),
                                            val_accuracy.result()*100))
                   t += 1
```

5.0.4 Keras Model Subclassing API: Train a Two-Layer Network

We can now use the tools defined above to train a two-layer network on CIFAR-10. We define the model_init_fn and optimizer_init_fn that construct the model and optimizer respectively when called. Here we want to train the model using stochastic gradient descent with no momentum, so we construct a tf.keras.optimizers.SGD function; you can read about it here.

You don't need to tune any hyperparameters here, but you should achieve validation accuracies above 40% after one epoch of training.

```
[]: hidden_size, num_classes = 4000, 10 learning_rate = 1e-2
```

```
def model_init_fn():
    return TwoLayerFC(hidden_size, num_classes)

def optimizer_init_fn():
    return tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(learning_rate=learning_rate)

train_part34(model_init_fn, optimizer_init_fn)
```

5.0.5 Keras Model Subclassing API: Train a Three-Layer ConvNet

Here you should use the tools we've defined above to train a three-layer ConvNet on CIFAR-10. Your ConvNet should use 32 filters in the first convolutional layer and 16 filters in the second layer.

To train the model you should use gradient descent with Nesterov momentum 0.9.

HINT: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/optimizers/SGD You don't need to perform any hyperparameter tuning, but you should achieve validation accuracies above 50% after training for one epoch.

```
[]: learning_rate = 3e-3
 channel_1, channel_2, num_classes = 32, 16, 10
 def model_init_fn():
   model = None
  # TODO: Complete the implementation of model fn.
  →#
  # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
   pass
   # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
  END OF YOUR CODE
  ⇔#
  return model
 def optimizer_init_fn():
   optimizer = None
```

6 Part IV: Keras Sequential API

In Part III we introduced the tf.keras.Model API, which allows you to define models with any number of learnable layers and with arbitrary connectivity between layers.

However for many models you don't need such flexibility - a lot of models can be expressed as a sequential stack of layers, with the output of each layer fed to the next layer as input. If your model fits this pattern, then there is an even easier way to define your model: using tf.keras.Sequential. You don't need to write any custom classes; you simply call the tf.keras.Sequential constructor with a list containing a sequence of layer objects.

One complication with tf.keras.Sequential is that you must define the shape of the input to the model by passing a value to the input_shape of the first layer in your model.

6.0.1 Keras Sequential API: Two-Layer Network

In this subsection, we will rewrite the two-layer fully-connected network using tf.keras.Sequential, and train it using the training loop defined above.

You don't need to perform any hyperparameter tuning here, but you should see validation accuracies above 40% after training for one epoch.

```
[]: learning_rate = 1e-2

def model_init_fn():
    input_shape = (32, 32, 3)
    hidden_layer_size, num_classes = 4000, 10
    initializer = tf.initializers.VarianceScaling(scale=2.0)
    layers = [
        tf.keras.layers.Flatten(input_shape=input_shape),
        tf.keras.layers.Dense(hidden_layer_size, activation='relu',
```

6.0.2 Abstracting Away the Training Loop

In the previous examples, we used a customised training loop to train models (e.g. train_part34). Writing your own training loop is only required if you need more flexibility and control during training your model. Alternately, you can also use built-in APIs like tf.keras.Model.fit() and tf.keras.Model.evaluate to train and evaluate a model. Also remember to configure your model for training by calling 'tf.keras.Model.compile.

You don't need to perform any hyperparameter tuning here, but you should see validation and test accuracies above 42% after training for one epoch.

6.0.3 Keras Sequential API: Three-Layer ConvNet

Here you should use tf.keras.Sequential to reimplement the same three-layer ConvNet architecture used in Part II and Part III. As a reminder, your model should have the following architecture:

- 1. Convolutional layer with 32 5x5 kernels, using zero padding of 2
- 2. ReLU nonlinearity
- 3. Convolutional layer with 16 3x3 kernels, using zero padding of 1
- 4. ReLU nonlinearity
- 5. Fully-connected layer giving class scores
- 6. Softmax nonlinearity

You should initialize the weights of the model using a tf.initializers.VarianceScaling as above.

You should train the model using Nesterov momentum 0.9.

You don't need to perform any hyperparameter search, but you should achieve accuracy above 45% after training for one epoch.

```
[]: def model_init_fn():
   model = None
  # TODO: Construct a three-layer ConvNet using tf.keras.Sequential.
  ⇔#
  # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)*****
   pass
   # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
  END OF YOUR CODE
  →#
  return model
 learning_rate = 5e-4
 def optimizer_init_fn():
   optimizer = None
  # TODO: Complete the implementation of model_fn.
  →#
  # *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
   pass
   # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)*****
  END OF YOUR CODE
  →#
  return optimizer
 train_part34(model_init_fn, optimizer_init_fn)
```

We will also train this model with the built-in training loop APIs provided by TensorFlow.

6.1 Part IV: Functional API

6.1.1 Demonstration with a Two-Layer Network

In the previous section, we saw how we can use tf.keras.Sequential to stack layers to quickly build simple models. But this comes at the cost of losing flexibility.

Often we will have to write complex models that have non-sequential data flows: a layer can have **multiple inputs and/or outputs**, such as stacking the output of 2 previous layers together to feed as input to a third! (Some examples are residual connections and dense blocks.)

In such cases, we can use Keras functional API to write models with complex topologies such as:

- 1. Multi-input models
- 2. Multi-output models
- 3. Models with shared layers (the same layer called several times)
- 4. Models with non-sequential data flows (e.g. residual connections)

Writing a model with Functional API requires us to create a tf.keras.Model instance and explicitly write input tensors and output tensors for this model.

```
[]: def two_layer_fc_functional(input_shape, hidden_size, num_classes):
       initializer = tf.initializers.VarianceScaling(scale=2.0)
       inputs = tf.keras.Input(shape=input_shape)
       flattened_inputs = tf.keras.layers.Flatten()(inputs)
       fc1_output = tf.keras.layers.Dense(hidden_size, activation='relu',
    →kernel_initializer=initializer)(flattened_inputs)
       scores = tf.keras.layers.Dense(num_classes, activation='softmax',
                                kernel_initializer=initializer)(fc1_output)
       # Instantiate the model given inputs and outputs.
       model = tf.keras.Model(inputs=inputs, outputs=scores)
       return model
   def test_two_layer_fc_functional():
       """ A small unit test to exercise the TwoLayerFC model above. """
       input_size, hidden_size, num_classes = 50, 42, 10
       input_shape = (50,)
       x = tf.zeros((64, input_size))
       model = two_layer_fc_functional(input_shape, hidden_size, num_classes)
```

```
with tf.device(device):
    scores = model(x)
    print(scores.shape)

test_two_layer_fc_functional()
```

6.1.2 Keras Functional API: Train a Two-Layer Network

You can now train this two-layer network constructed using the functional API.

You don't need to perform any hyperparameter tuning here, but you should see validation accuracies above 40% after training for one epoch.

```
[]: input_shape = (32, 32, 3)
hidden_size, num_classes = 4000, 10
learning_rate = 1e-2

def model_init_fn():
    return two_layer_fc_functional(input_shape, hidden_size, num_classes)

def optimizer_init_fn():
    return tf.keras.optimizers.SGD(learning_rate=learning_rate)

train_part34(model_init_fn, optimizer_init_fn)
```

7 Part V: CIFAR-10 open-ended challenge

In this section you can experiment with whatever ConvNet architecture you'd like on CIFAR-10.

You should experiment with architectures, hyperparameters, loss functions, regularization, or anything else you can think of to train a model that achieves **at least 70**% accuracy on the **validation** set within 10 epochs. You can use the built-in train function, the train_part34 function from above, or implement your own training loop.

Describe what you did at the end of the notebook.

7.0.1 Some things you can try:

- **Filter size**: Above we used 5x5 and 3x3; is this optimal?
- Number of filters: Above we used 16 and 32 filters. Would more or fewer do better?
- **Pooling**: We didn't use any pooling above. Would this improve the model?
- **Normalization**: Would your model be improved with batch normalization, layer normalization, group normalization, or some other normalization strategy?
- **Network architecture**: The ConvNet above has only three layers of trainable parameters. Would a deeper model do better?
- Global average pooling: Instead of flattening after the final convolutional layer, would global average pooling do better? This strategy is used for example in Google's Inception network and in Residual Networks.

• **Regularization**: Would some kind of regularization improve performance? Maybe weight decay or dropout?

7.0.2 NOTE: Batch Normalization / Dropout

If you are using Batch Normalization and Dropout, remember to pass is_training=True if you use the train_part34() function. BatchNorm and Dropout layers have different behaviors at training and inference time. training is a specific keyword argument reserved for this purpose in any tf.keras.Model's call() function. Read more about this here: https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/keras/layers/BatchNormalization#methods https://www.tensorflow.org/versions/r2.0/api_docs/python/tf/keras/layers/Dropout#methods

7.0.3 Tips for training

For each network architecture that you try, you should tune the learning rate and other hyperparameters. When doing this there are a couple important things to keep in mind:

- If the parameters are working well, you should see improvement within a few hundred iterations
- Remember the coarse-to-fine approach for hyperparameter tuning: start by testing a large range of hyperparameters for just a few training iterations to find the combinations of parameters that are working at all.
- Once you have found some sets of parameters that seem to work, search more finely around these parameters. You may need to train for more epochs.
- You should use the validation set for hyperparameter search, and save your test set for evaluating your architecture on the best parameters as selected by the validation set.

7.0.4 Going above and beyond

If you are feeling adventurous there are many other features you can implement to try and improve your performance. You are **not required** to implement any of these, but don't miss the fun if you have time!

- Alternative optimizers: you can try Adam, Adagrad, RMSprop, etc.
- Alternative activation functions such as leaky ReLU, parametric ReLU, ELU, or MaxOut.
- Model ensembles
- Data augmentation
- New Architectures
- ResNets where the input from the previous layer is added to the output.
- DenseNets where inputs into previous layers are concatenated together.
- This blog has an in-depth overview

7.0.5 Have fun and happy training!

```
# TODO: Construct a model that performs well on CIFAR-10
  #
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
    pass
    # ****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
def call(self, input_tensor, training=False):
# TODO: Construct a model that performs well on CIFAR-10
# *****START OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
    pass
    # *****END OF YOUR CODE (DO NOT DELETE/MODIFY THIS LINE)****
END OF YOUR CODE
  #
return x
print_every = 700
num_epochs = 10
model = CustomConvNet()
def model init fn():
 return CustomConvNet()
def optimizer init fn():
```

7.1 Describe what you did

In the cell below you should write an explanation of what you did, any additional features that you implemented, and/or any graphs that you made in the process of training and evaluating your network.

TODO: Tell us what you did