

## Chapter Four

# BP: An Illustrating Example

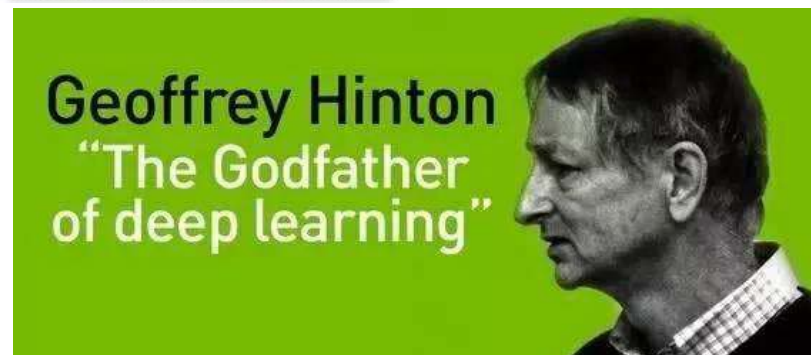
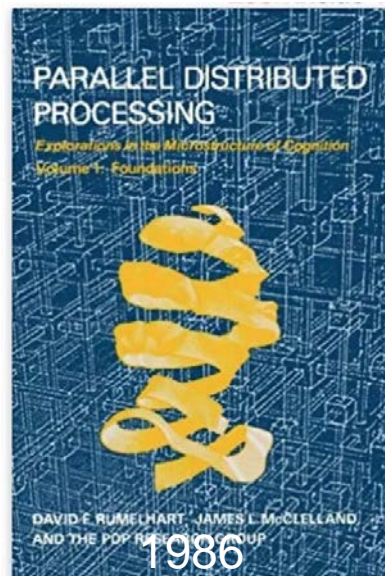
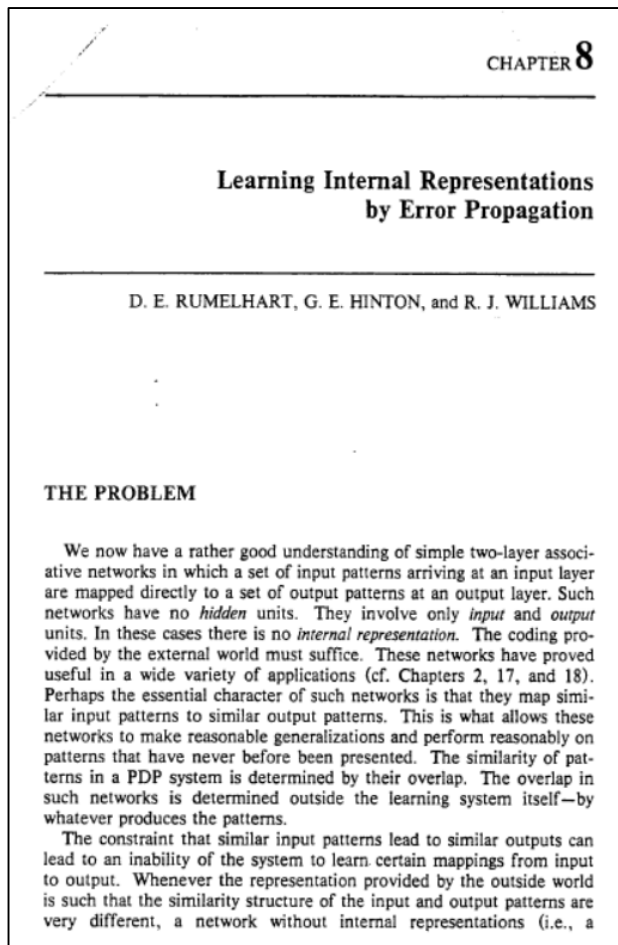
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# Outline

- Brief Review of Backpropagation Algorithm
- An Illustrating Example
- Experiments
- Assignment

# Brief History of BP

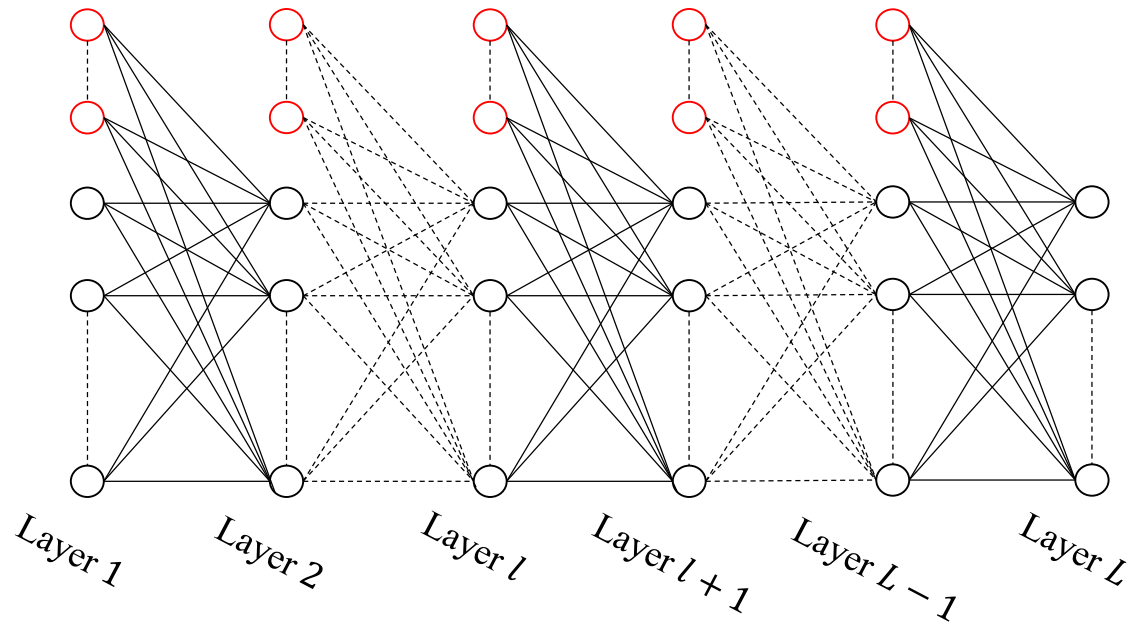
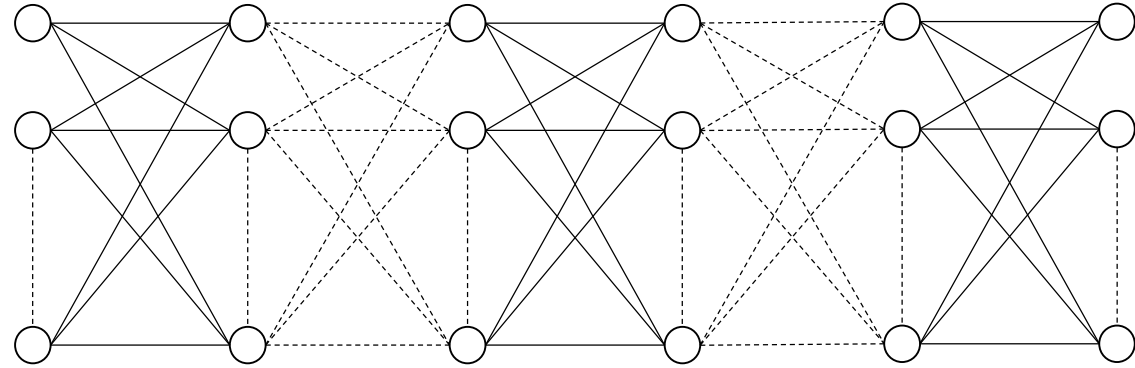


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# Computational Model of Neural Networks

Two important characters:

- No any connection in any layer
- No any connection across any layer

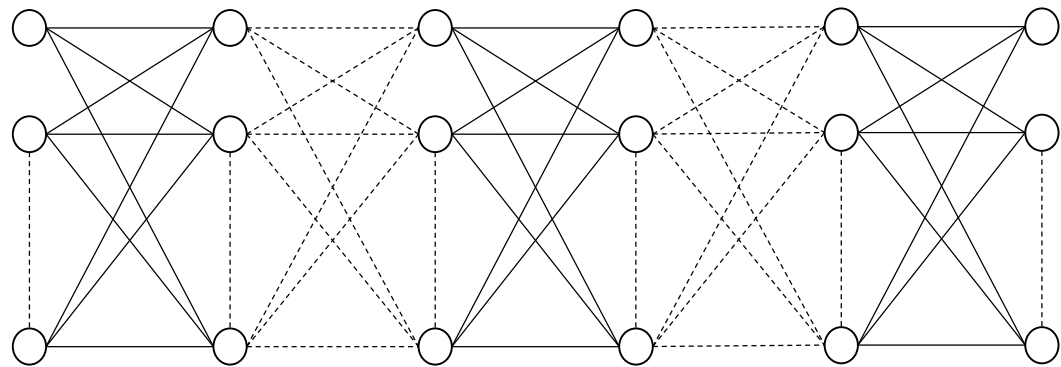
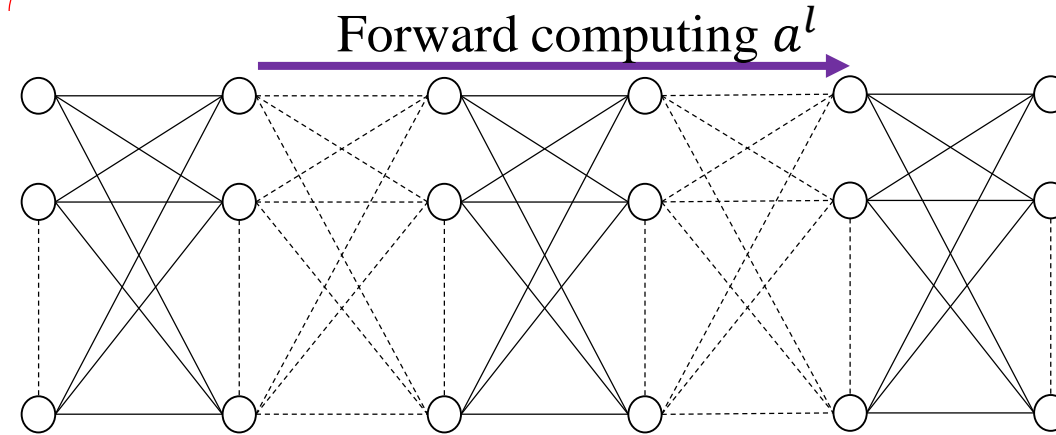
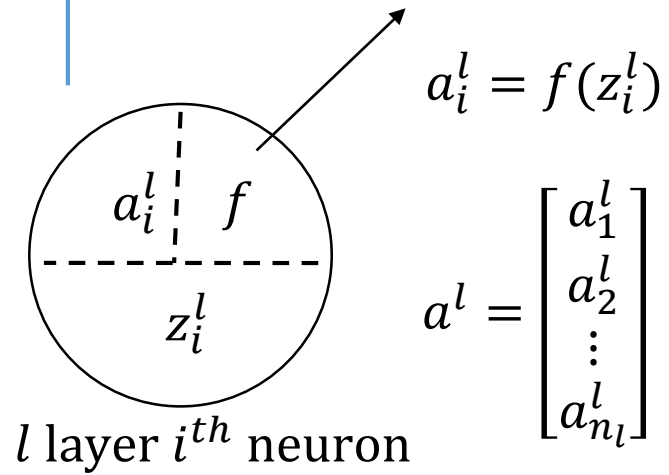


○  
External inputs



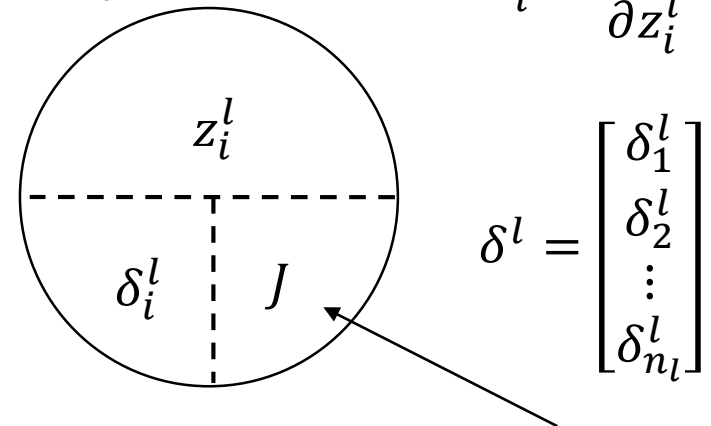
Local function defined on neuron

Local activation function  $f$

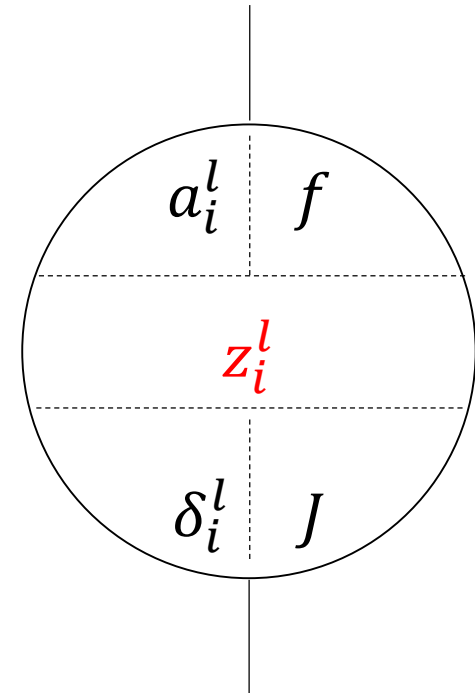


Global cost function  $J$

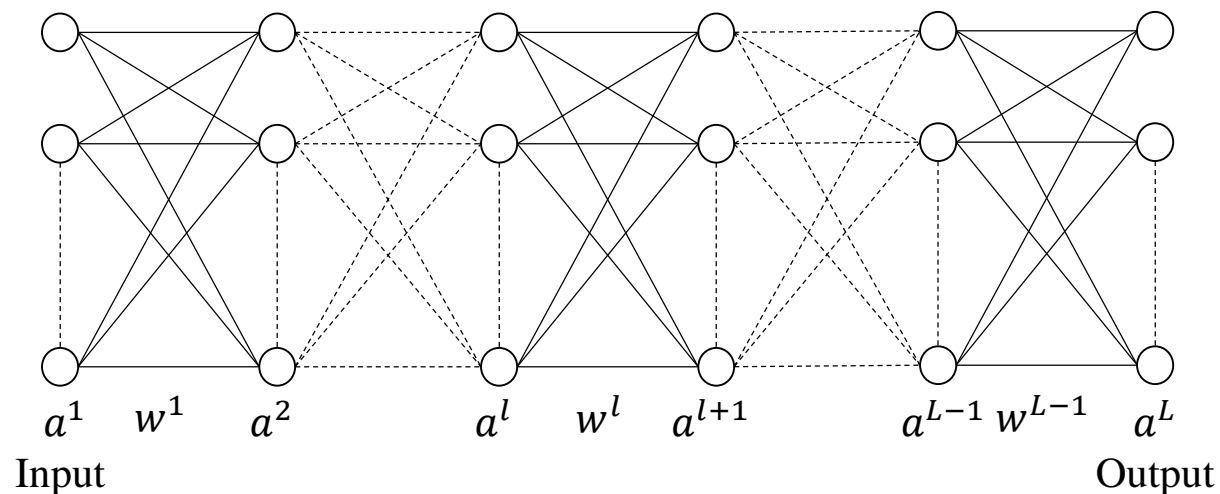
$l$  layer  $i^{th}$  neuron  $\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}$



Global function defined on network



# Network Performance: Cost Function



A cost function  $J$  describes the performance of the network. If the  $J$  is small, it implies that the network prediction  $a^L$  close to the target  $y^L$ , the network is called in good performance. Since  $J$  is a function with variables  $(w^1, \dots, w^L)$ , good performance means to find suitable  $(w^1, \dots, w^L)$  such that  $J$  is small. The process of looking for suitable  $(w^1, \dots, w^L)$  is called network learning.

Target

$$y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

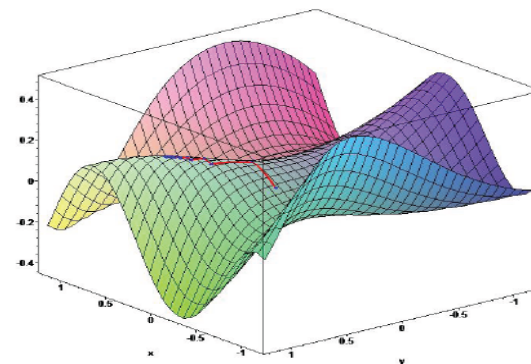
Network prediction

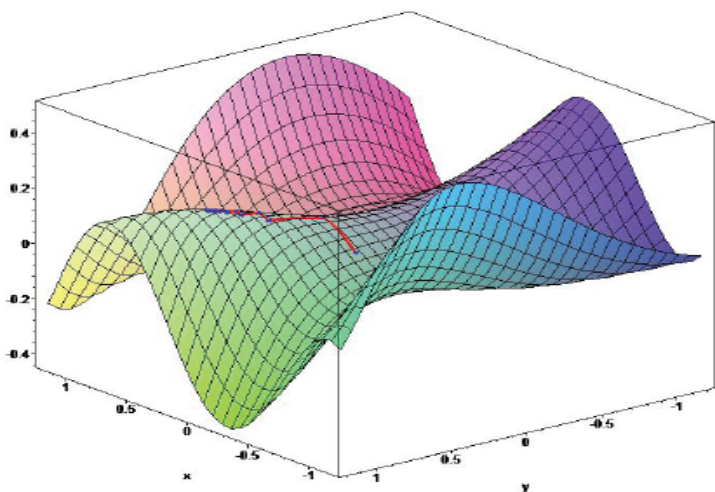
$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

There are many ways to construct cost functions. A frequently used cost is as follows:

$$e_j = a_j^L - y_j^L$$
$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2 = J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$$

Clearly,  $J$  is a function of  $w^1, \dots, w^L$ .

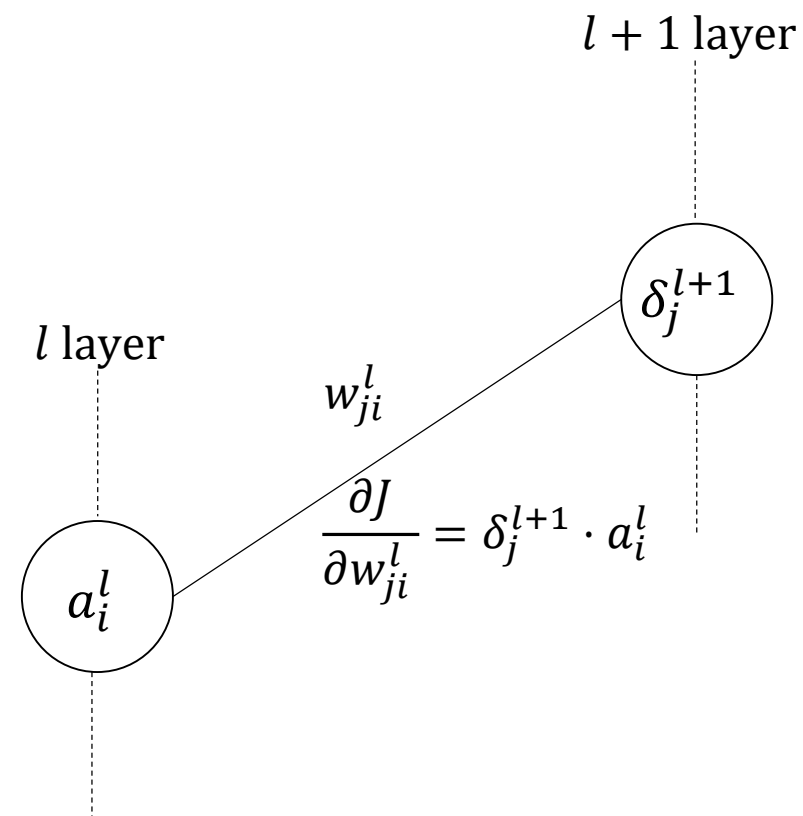




$$J = J(\cdots, w_{ij}^l, \cdots)$$

Steepest Descent Method

$$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$



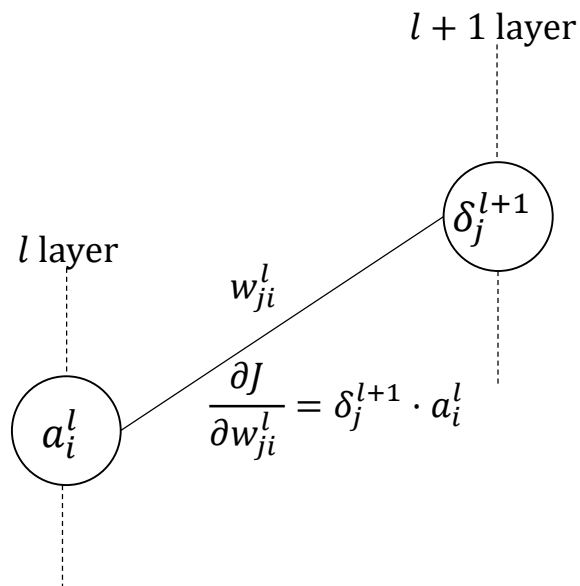
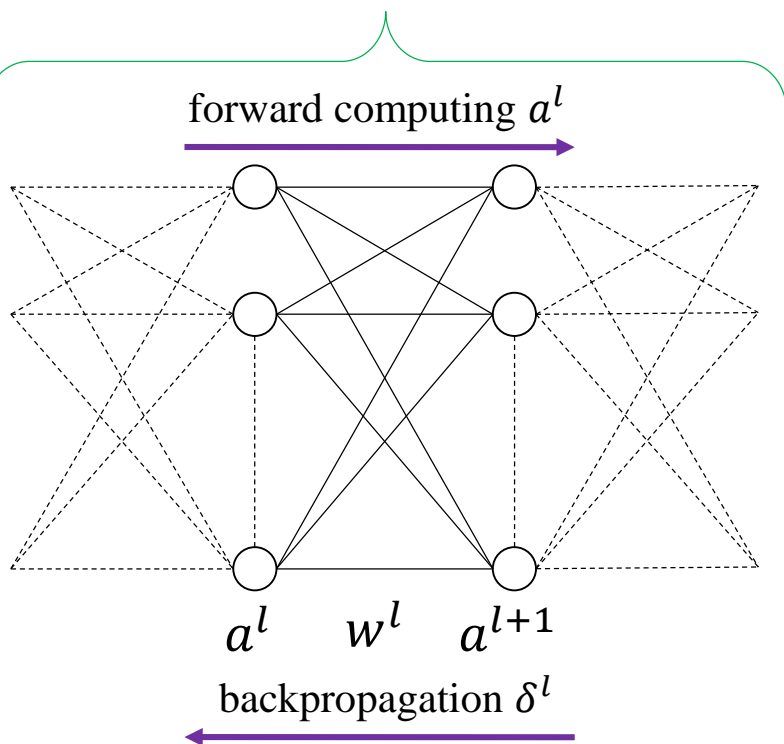


# One Page to Understand BP

Cost function:  $J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$

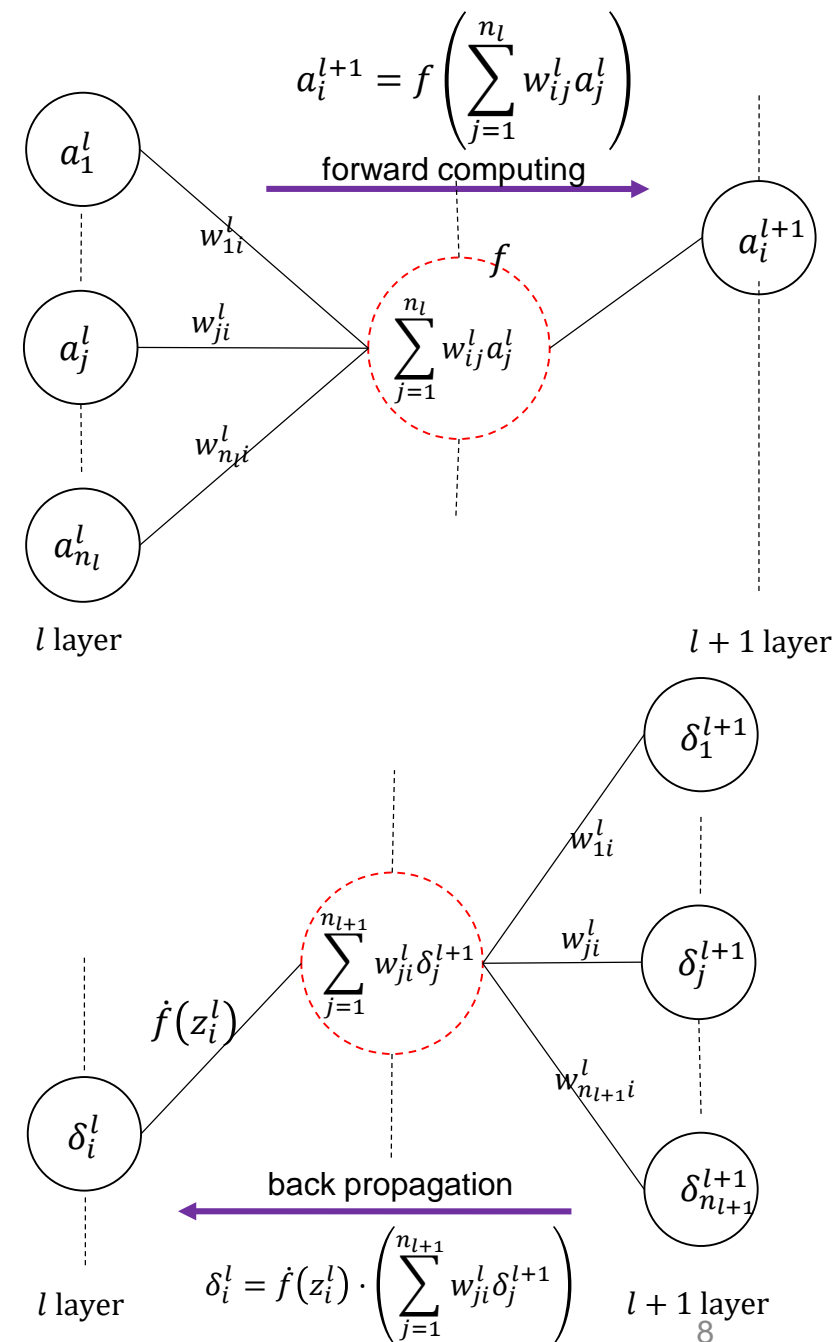
Relationship:  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$

Updating rule:  $w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$



$$a_i^l = f(z_i^l)$$

$$\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}$$



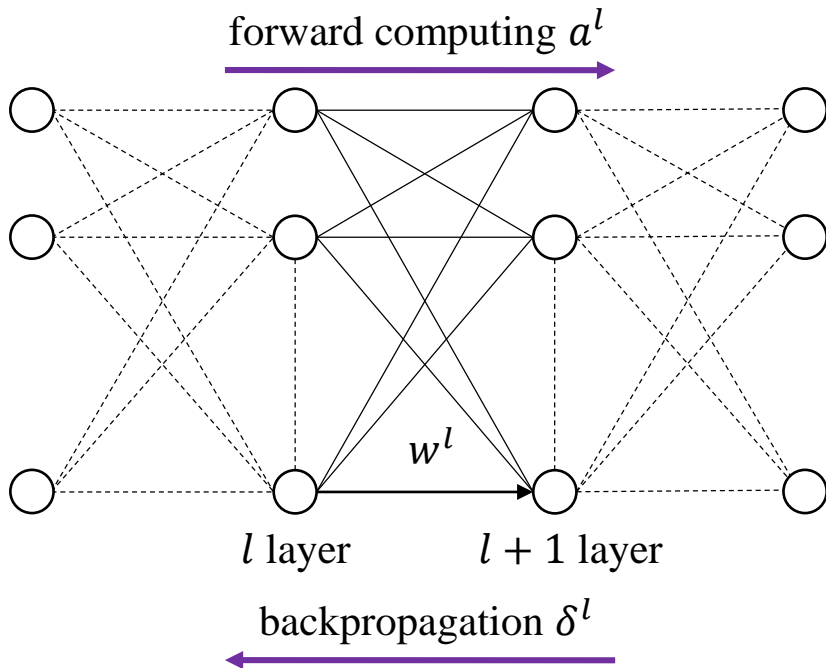


# BP Functions

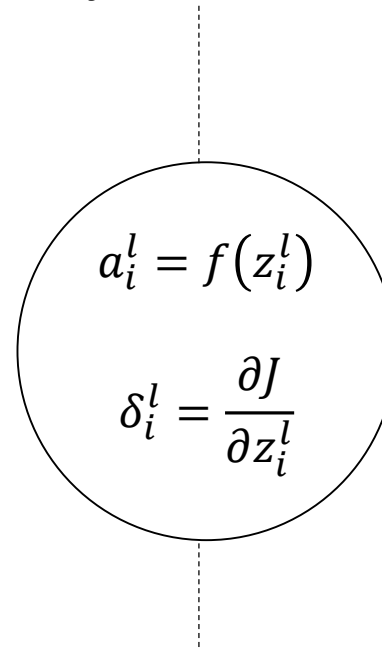
Cost function:  $J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$

Updating rule:  $w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$

Relationship:  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$



$l$  layer  $i^{th}$  neuron



**%forward computing**

function  $fc(w^l, a^l)$

for  $i = 1:n_{l+1}$

$$z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$$

$$a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$$

end

**%backpropagation**

function  $bc(w^l, \delta^{l+1})$

for  $i = 1:n_l$

$$\delta_i^l = f'(z_i^l) \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} w_{ji}^l \delta_j^{l+1} \right)$$

end

Step 1. Input the training data set  $D = \{(x, y)\}$

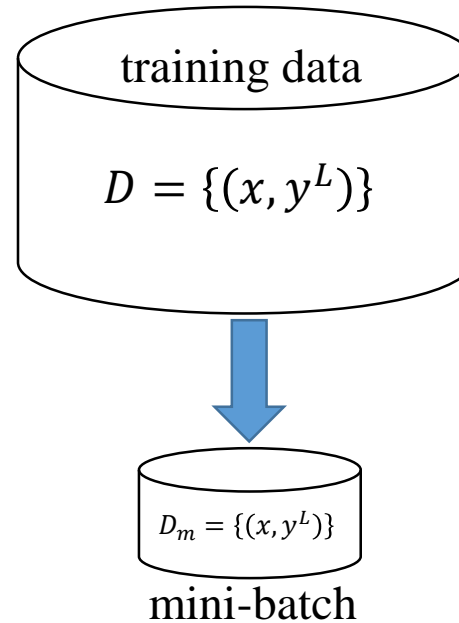
Step 2. Initialize each  $w_{ij}^l$ , and choose a learning rate  $\alpha$ .

Step 3. for each mini-batch sample  $D_m \subseteq D$

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    for each  $x \in D_m$ 
         $a^1 \leftarrow x \in D_m$ ;
        for  $l = 1:L-1$ 
             $a^{l+1} \leftarrow fc(w^l, a^l)$ ;
        end
         $\delta^L = \frac{\partial J(x)}{\partial z^L}$ ;
        for  $l = L-1:2$ 
             $\delta^l \leftarrow bc(w^l, \delta^{l+1})$ ;
        end
         $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} \leftarrow \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} + \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$ ;
    end
     $w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$ ;
end
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Step 4. Return to Step 3 until each  $w^l$  converge.

# The BP Algorithm



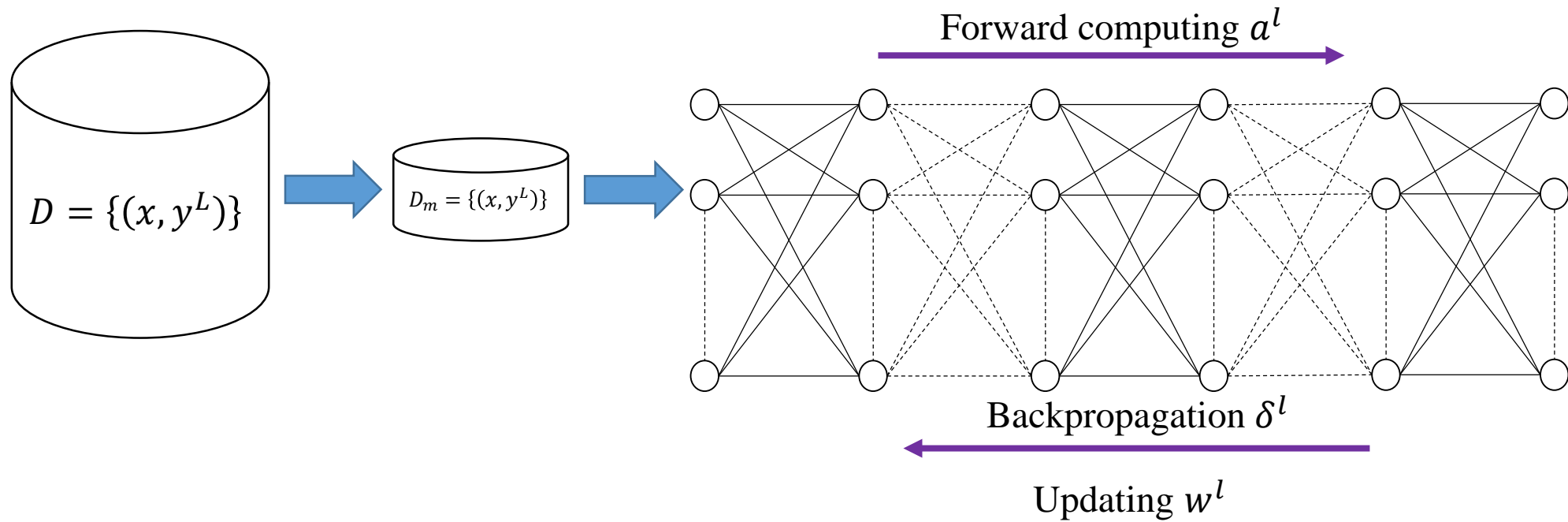
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function  $fc(w^l, a^l)$ 
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     $z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$ 
     $a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$ 
  end
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Relationship:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

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function  $bc(w^l, \delta^{l+1})$ 
  for  $i = 1:n_l$ 
     $\delta_i^l = \dot{f}(z_i^l) \cdot \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} w_{ji}^l \delta_j^{l+1} \right)$ 
  end
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# Network Training



# Network Training Steps

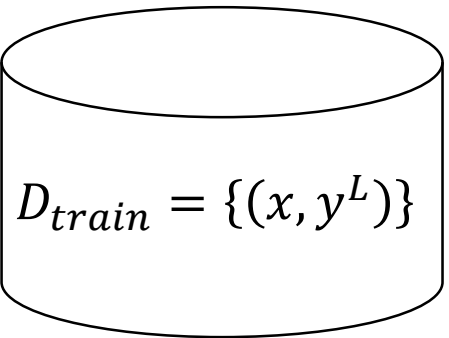
Step 1: Data Preparation

Step 2: Design Network Architecture

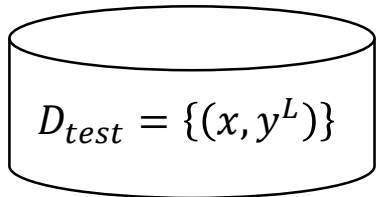
Step 3: Initialize Parameters

Step 4: Define Cost Function

Step 5: Define Evaluation Index



Training set



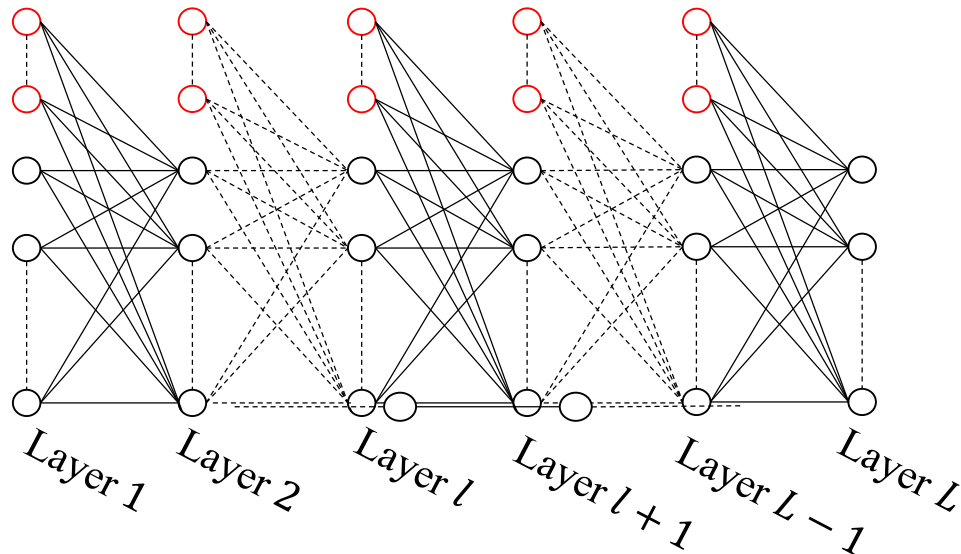
Testing set

- Number of layers
- Number of neurons in each layer
- Activation function

- Weights
- Learning rate

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2$$
$$= J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$$

Accuracy



# Network Training Steps

Step 6: Train the Network

■ BP Algorithm

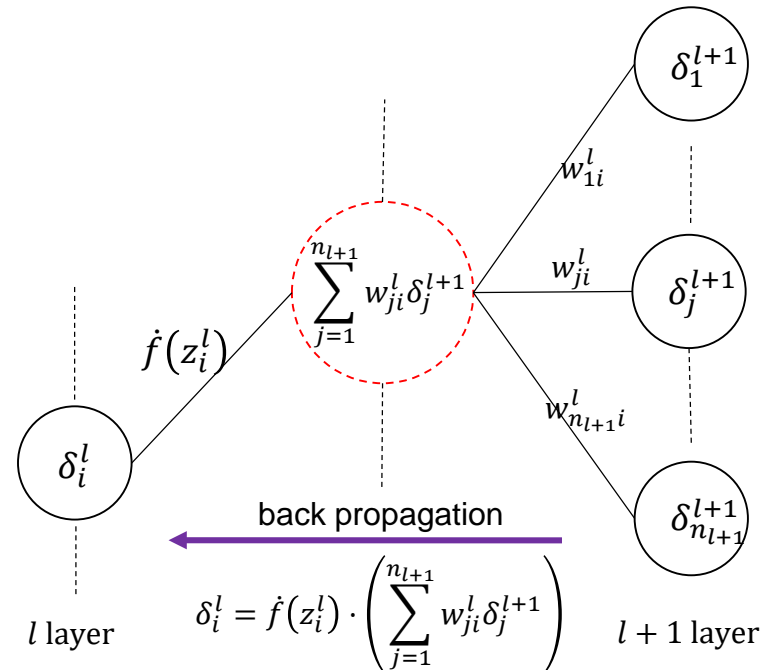
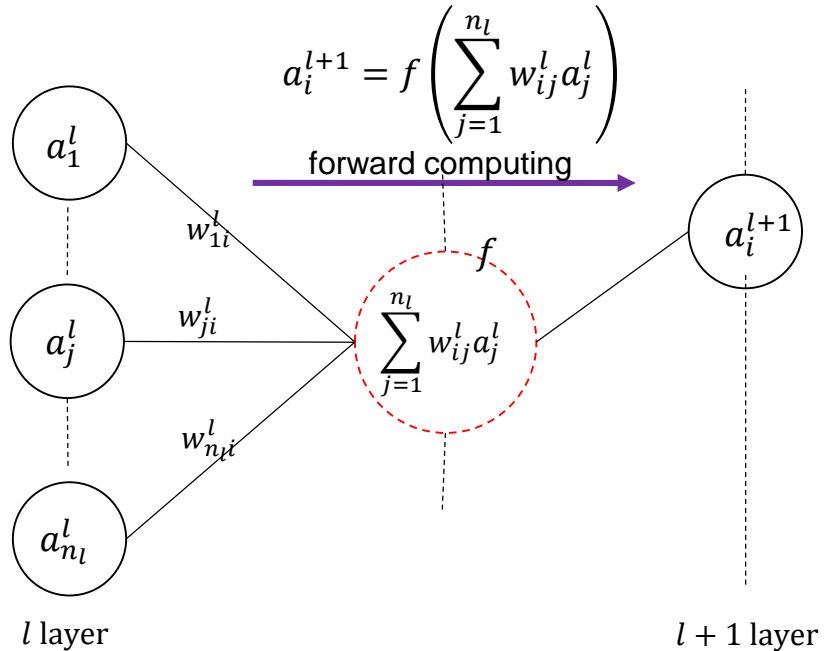
Step 7: Test the Network

■ Test on the training set  
■ Test on the testing set

Step 8: Store the Network Parameters

■ Save weights

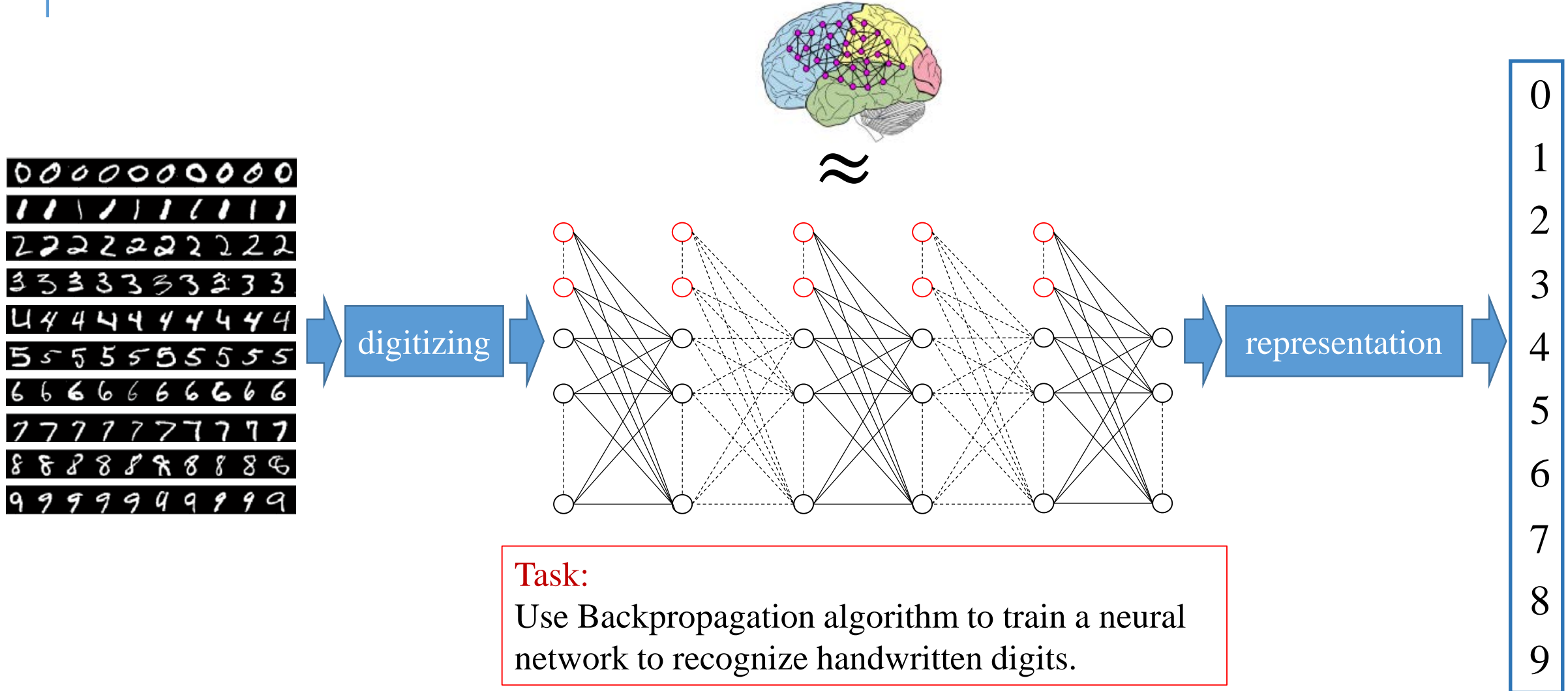
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# Handwritten digits recognition problem



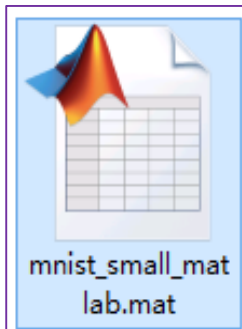


# Step 1: Data Preparation

## Dataset: MNIST\_small

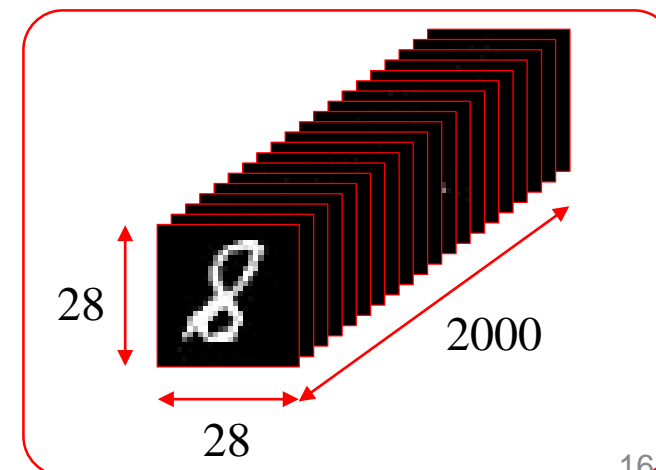
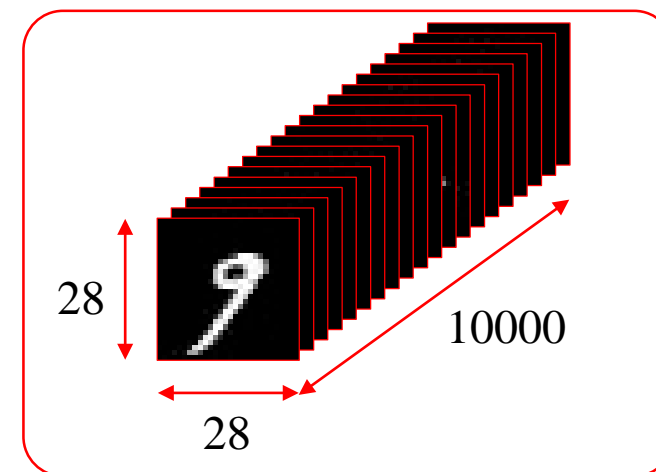
**MNIST** is a database of handwritten digits created by "re-mixing" the samples from MNIST's original datasets. It contains digits written by high school students and employees of the United States Census Bureau. The digits have been size-normalized and centered in  $28 \times 28$  images.

**MNIST\_small** dataset is a subset of MNIST containing 10000 training samples and 2000 testing samples.



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testData	28x28x2000 double
trainLabels	10x10000 double
testLabels	10x2000 double

## Data

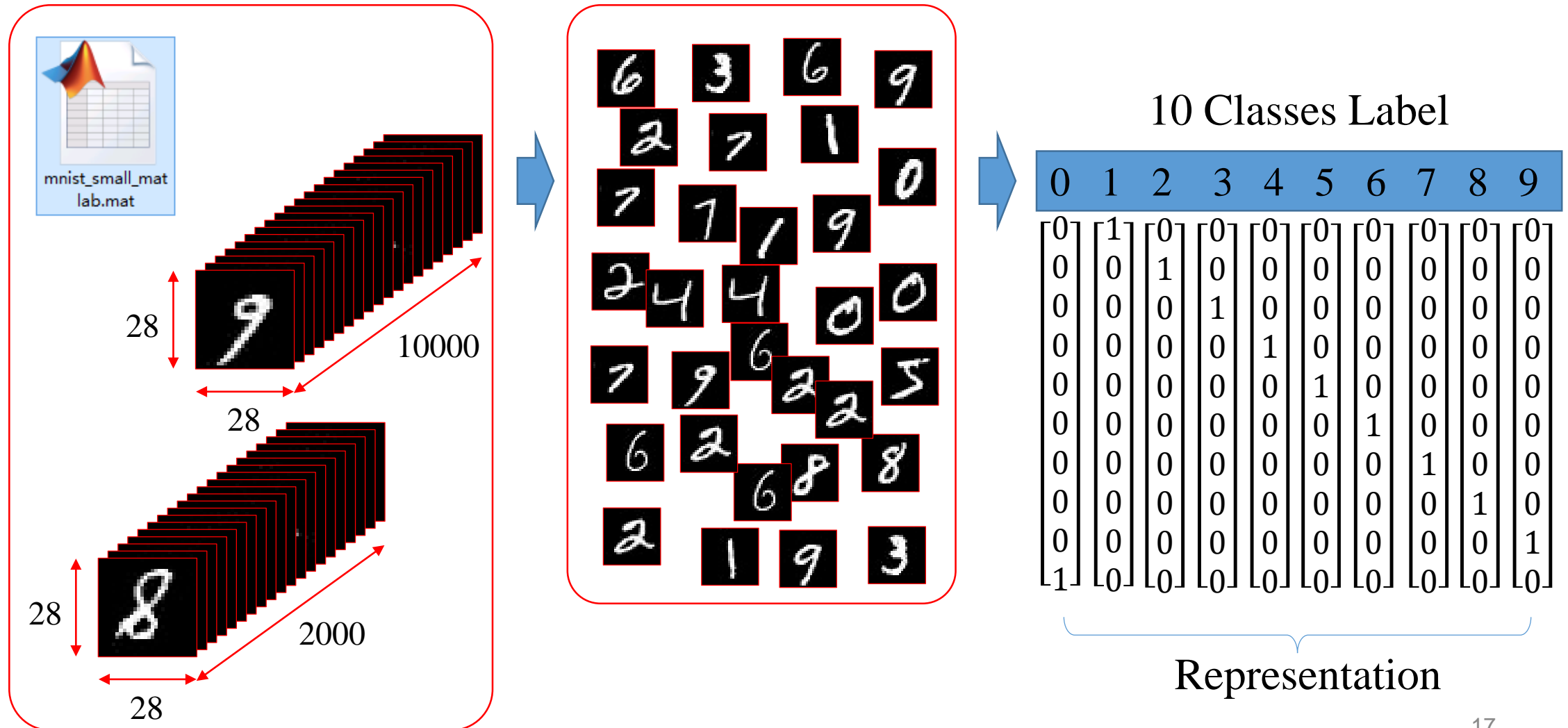


Download link:

MNIST <http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/>

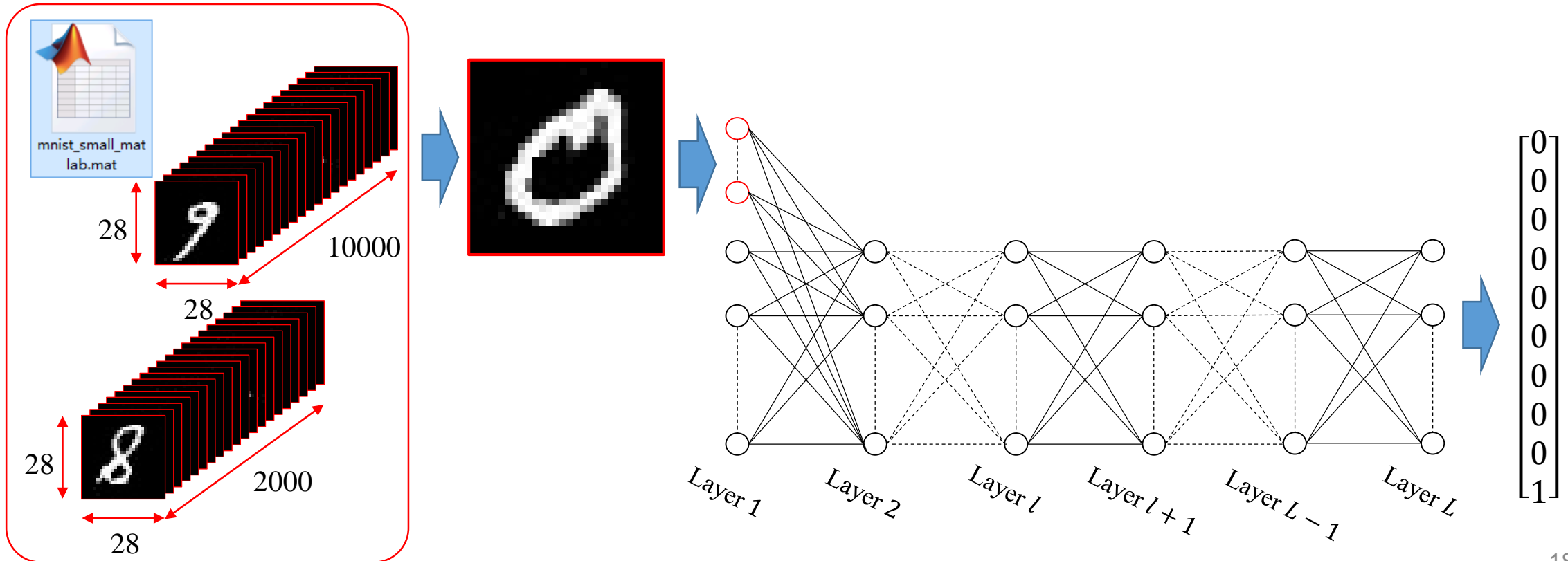
MNIST\_small: [https://github.com/kswersky/nnet/blob/master/mnist\\_small.mat](https://github.com/kswersky/nnet/blob/master/mnist_small.mat)

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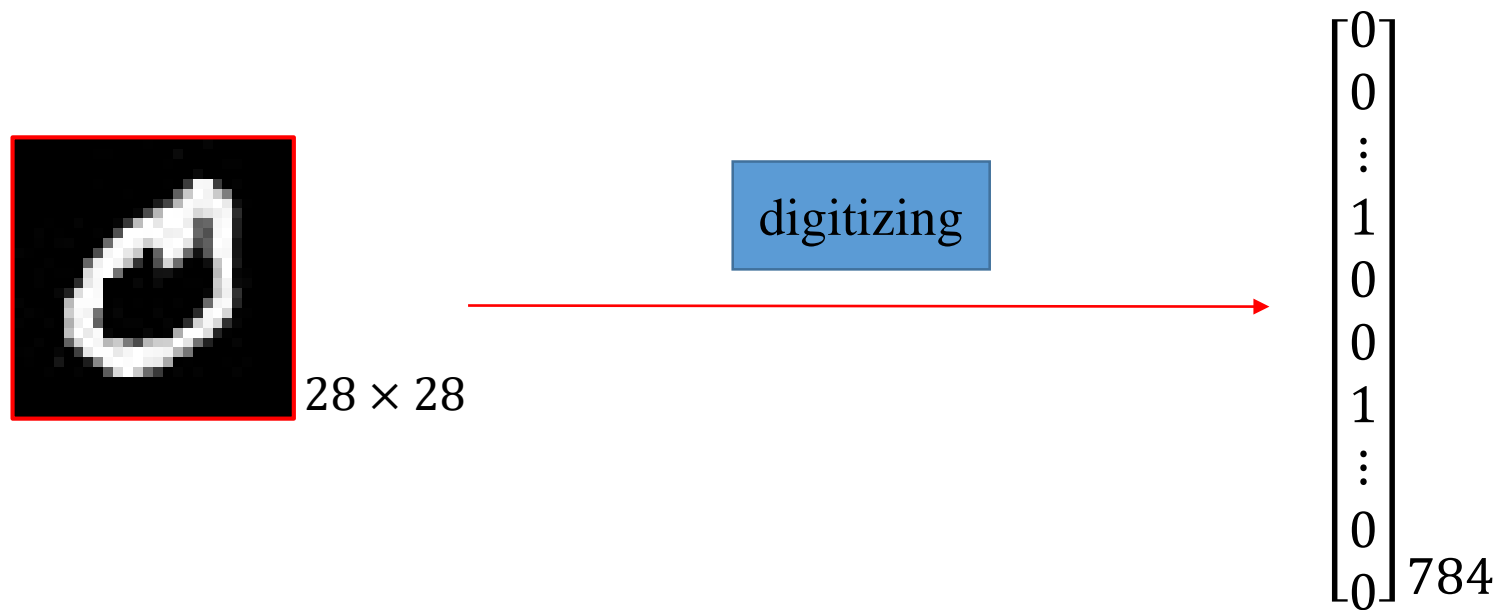


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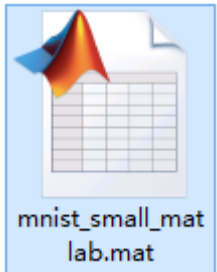
The input image is a  $28 \times 28 = 784$  dimensional vector.



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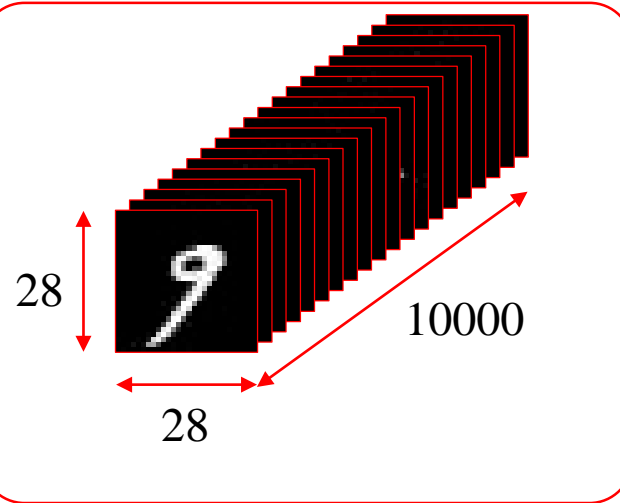
## Training set

- ❑ Used for training network
- ❑ 10000 samples

## Testing set

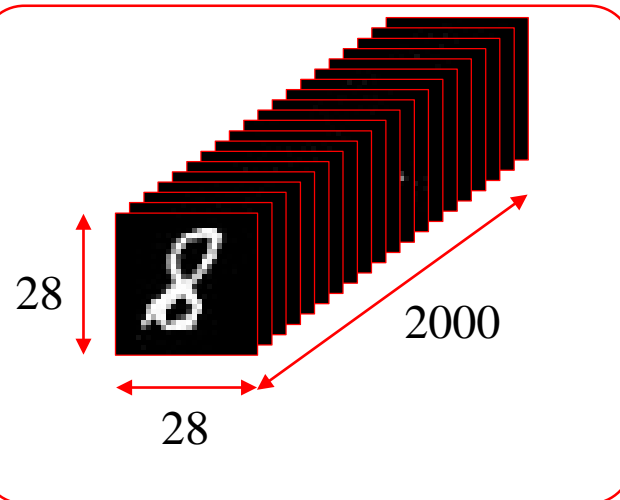
- ❑ Used for evaluating network performance
- ❑ 2000 samples

Training Data



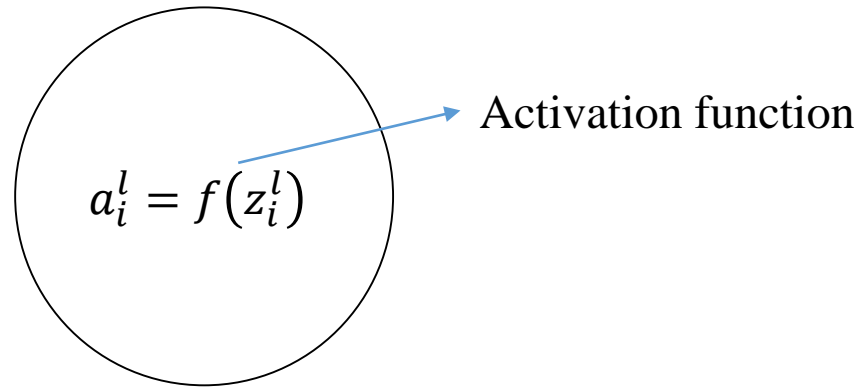
Training Data

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{784 \times 10000}$$



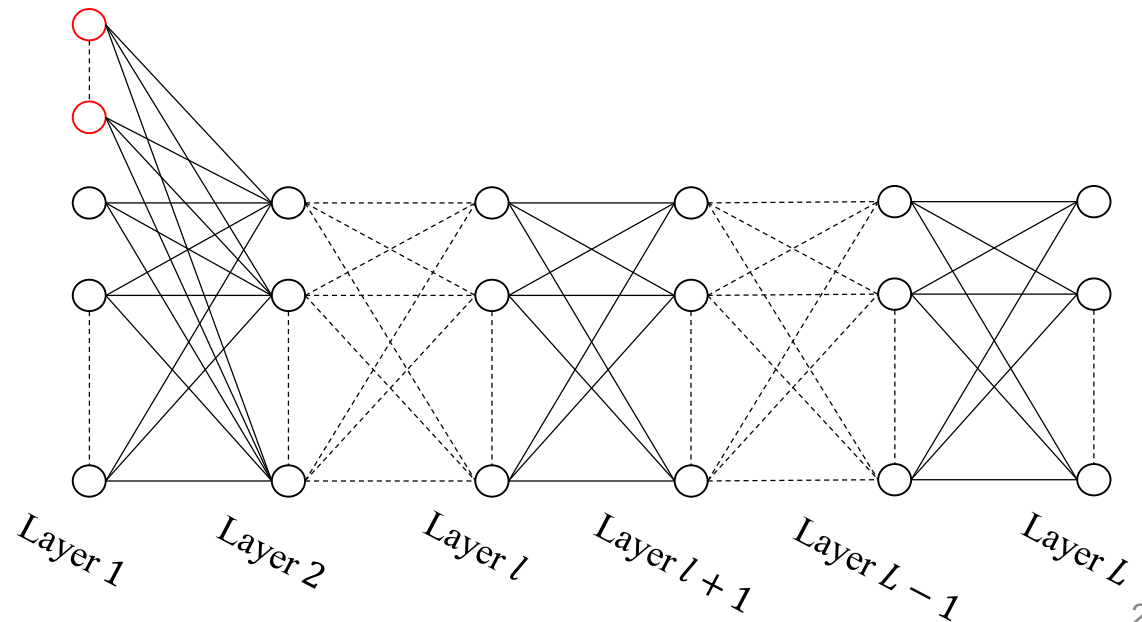
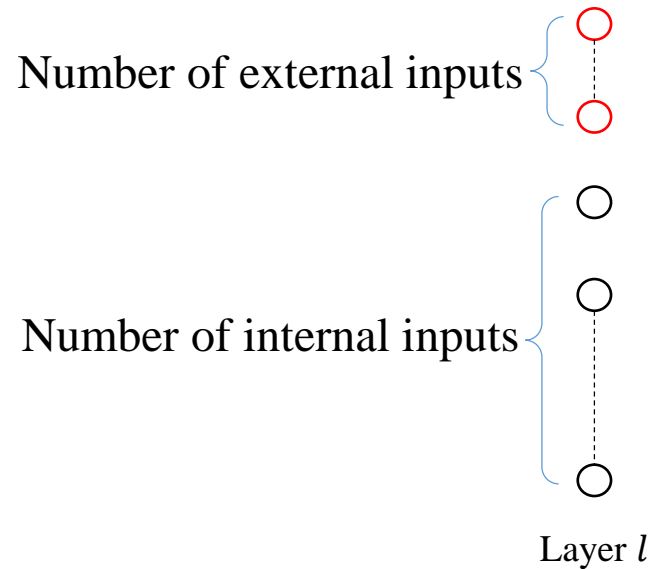
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# Step 2: Design Network Architecture



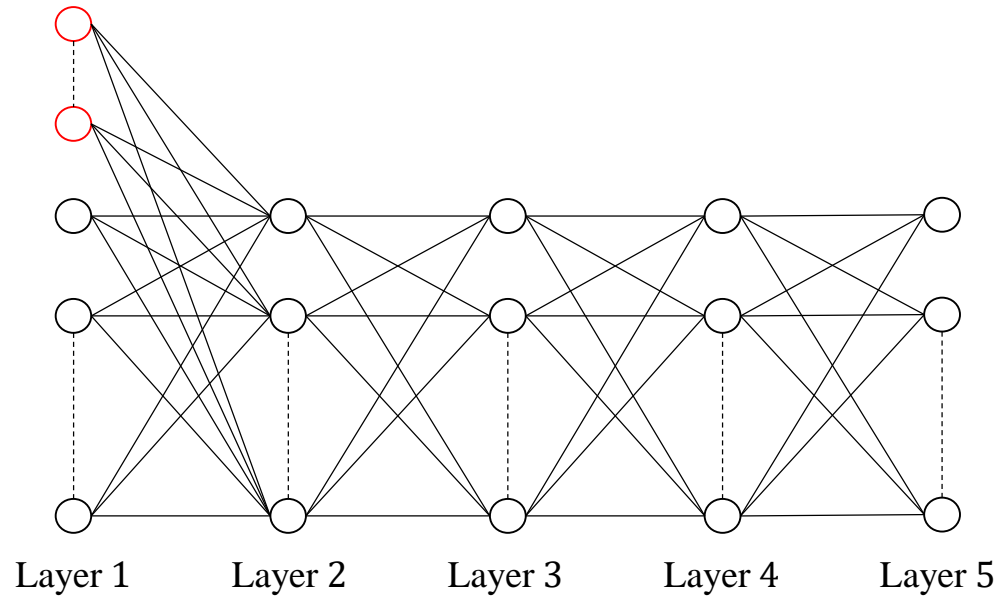
**Network architecture design:**

1. Number of layers
2. Number of neurons in each layer  
(external neurons and internal neurons)
3. Activation function



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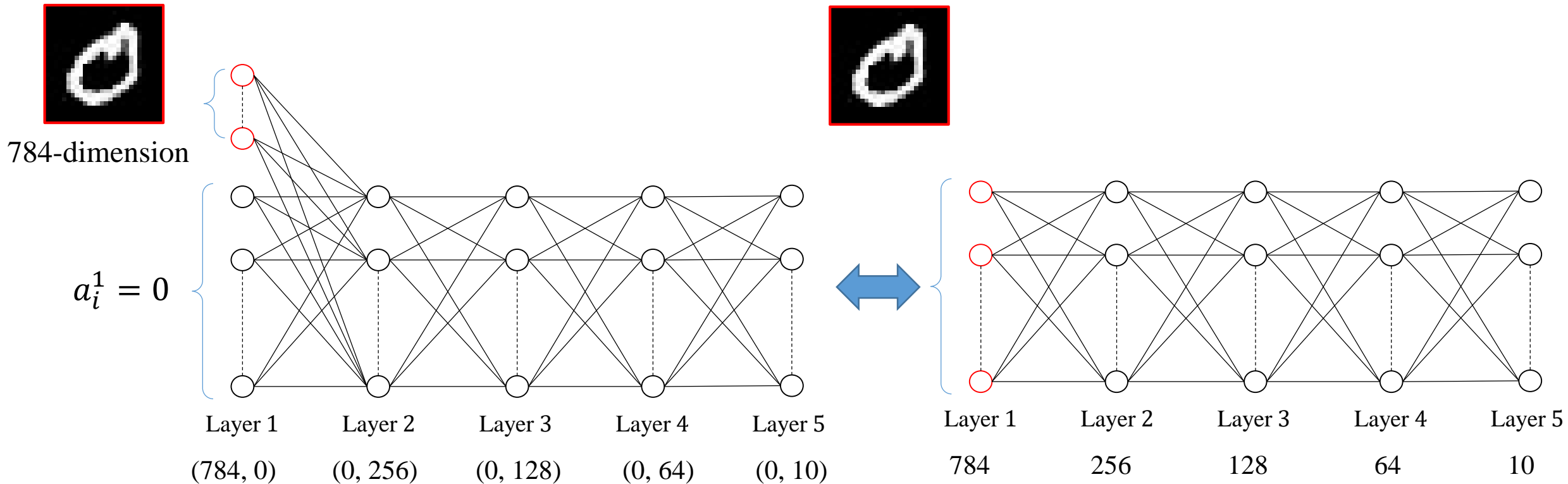
Define Number of Layers





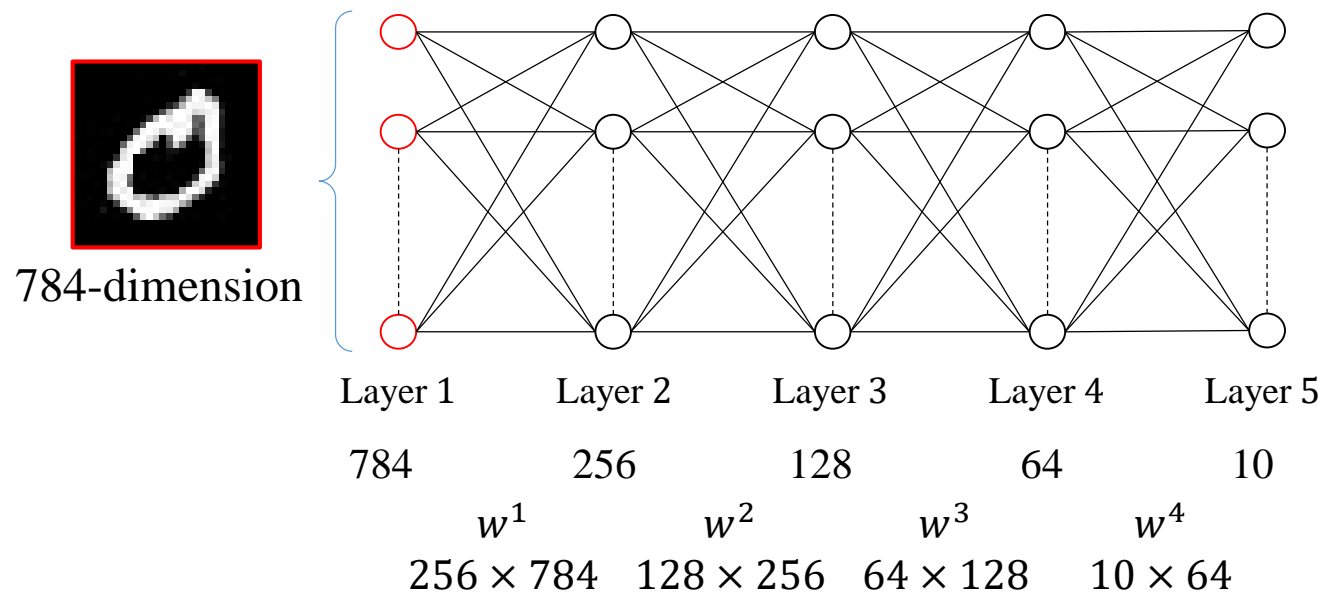
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Define Number of Neurons in Each Layer



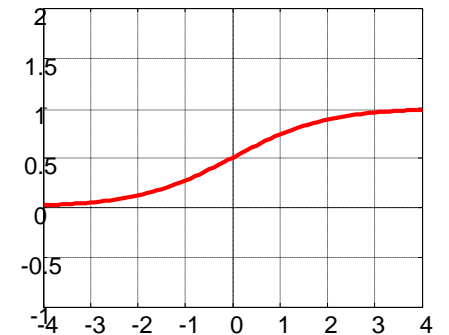
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Define Activation Function



$$a_i^l = f(z_i^l)$$

Sigmoid function  
 $f(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$

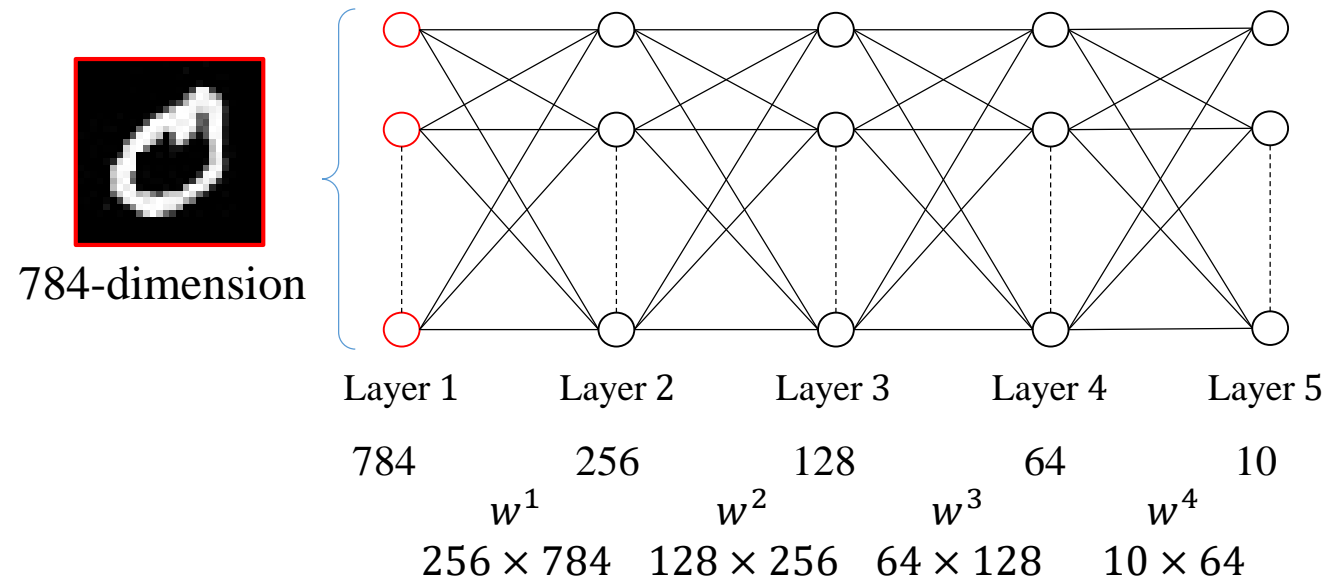
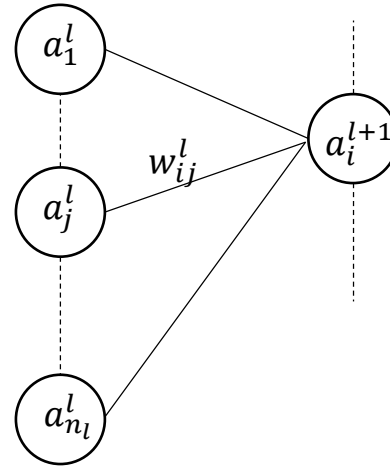


# Step 3: Initialize Parameters

## Initialize connection weights

Random initialization:

Gaussian distribution:  $w_{ij}^l \sim N(0,1)$

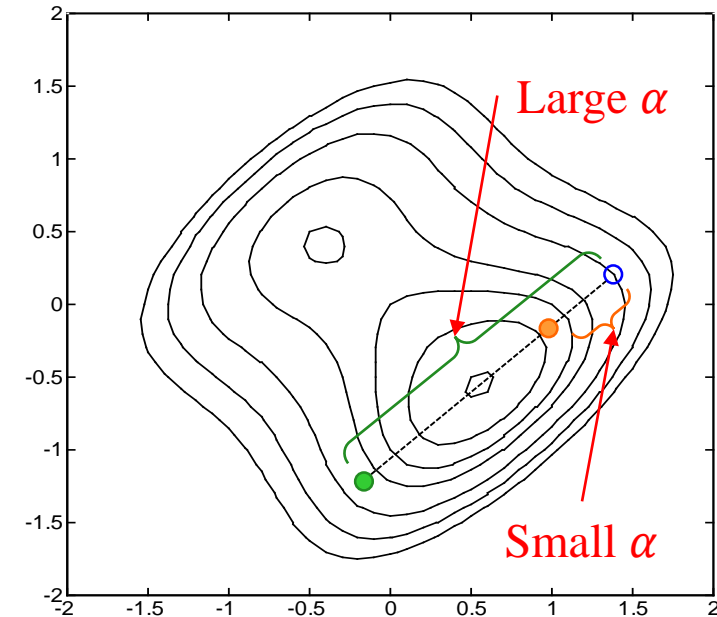
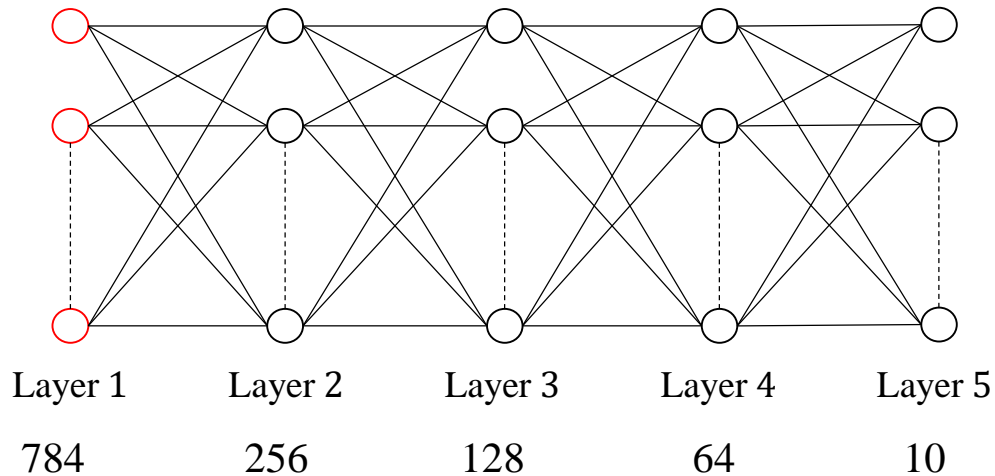


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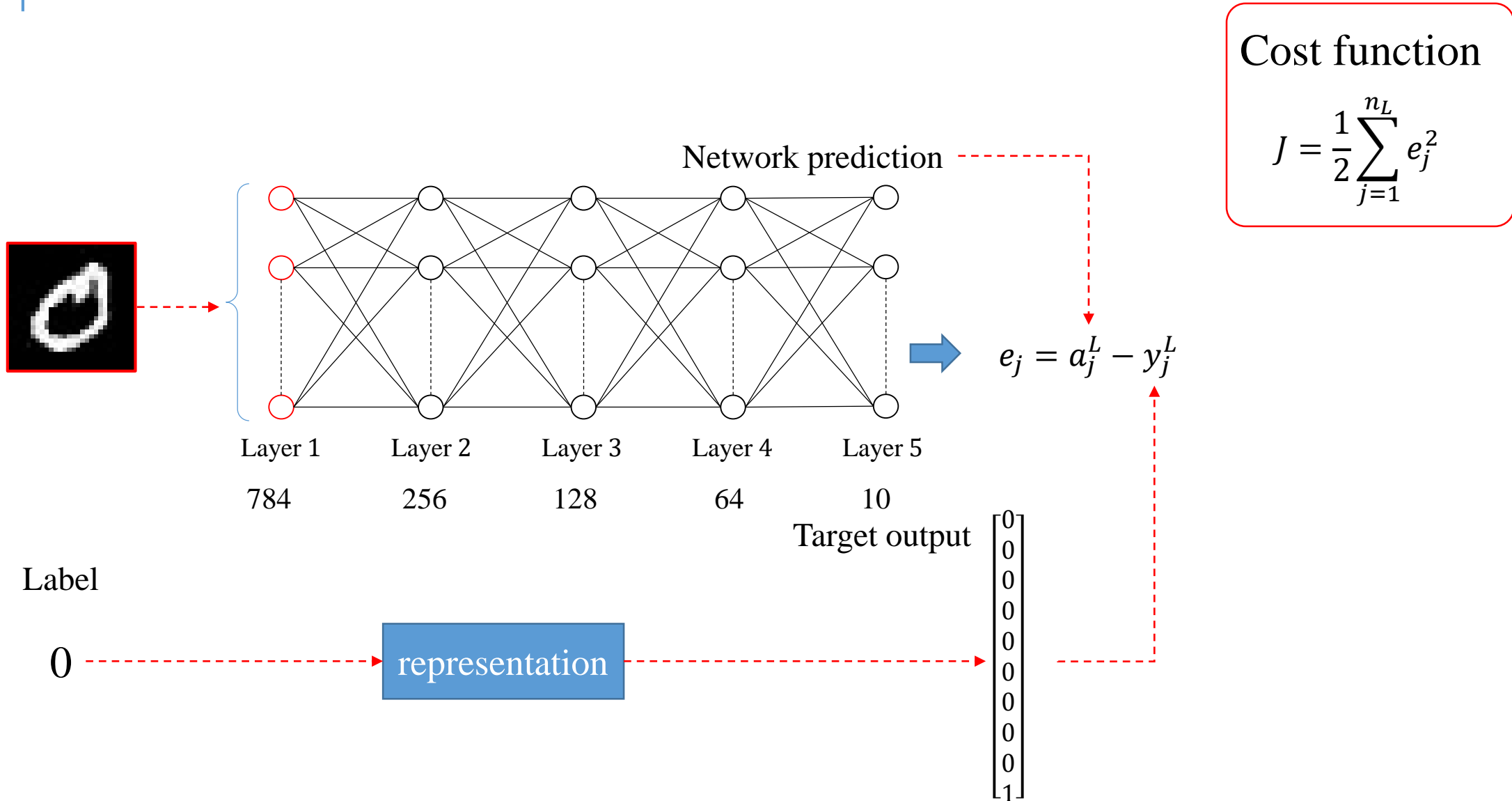
## Learning rate:

- Small: slow learning, long learning time.
- Large: fast learning, possibly not converge to minima.

$$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} \quad \alpha = \dots, 0.005, 0.01, 0.02, 0.04, \dots$$



# Step 4: Define Cost Function



# Step 5: Define Evaluation Index

$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{number of correct prediction}}{\text{number of samples}}$$

## An example

Tested data     7 9 0 4 8 6 8 5 1

Prediction     7 9 0 4 8 8 8 3 1

Correct prediction  
7

Incorrect prediction  
2

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{7}{9} = 77.78\%$$

Test on **training** set:

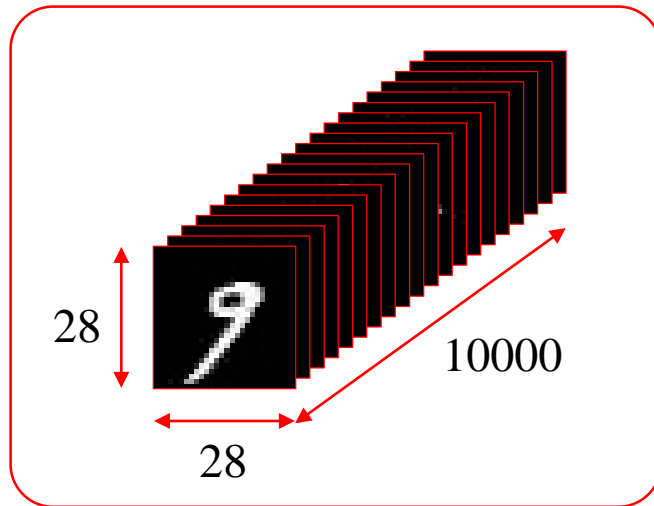
- Evaluate the ability of the model to fit given data.

Test on **testing** set:

- Evaluate the ability of the model to generalize the knowledge.

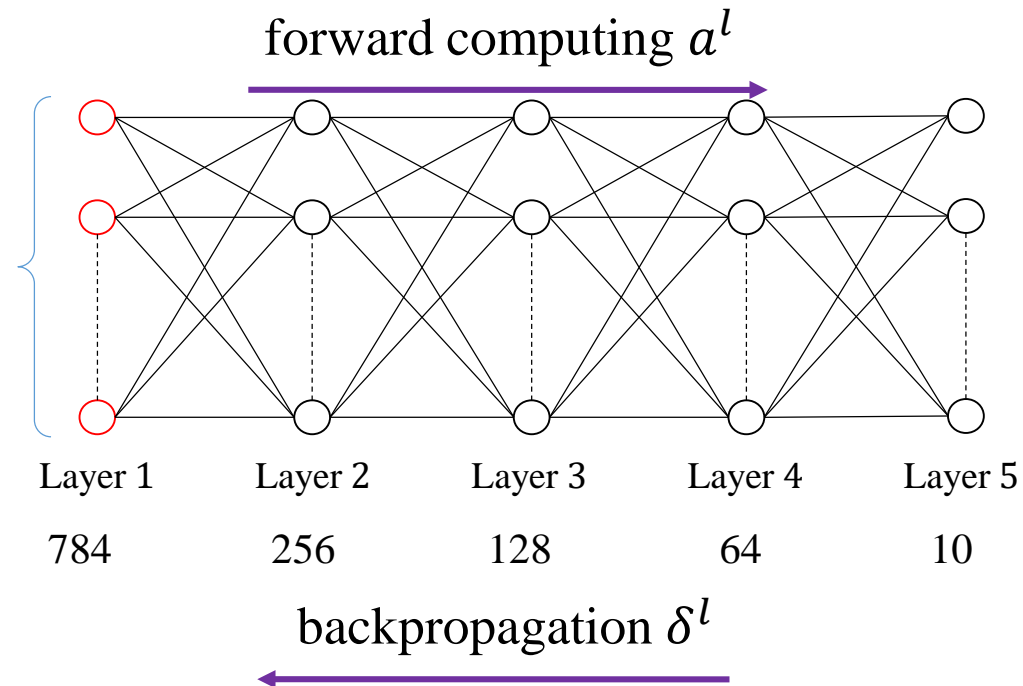
# Step 6: Train the Network

Training Data



Updating weights

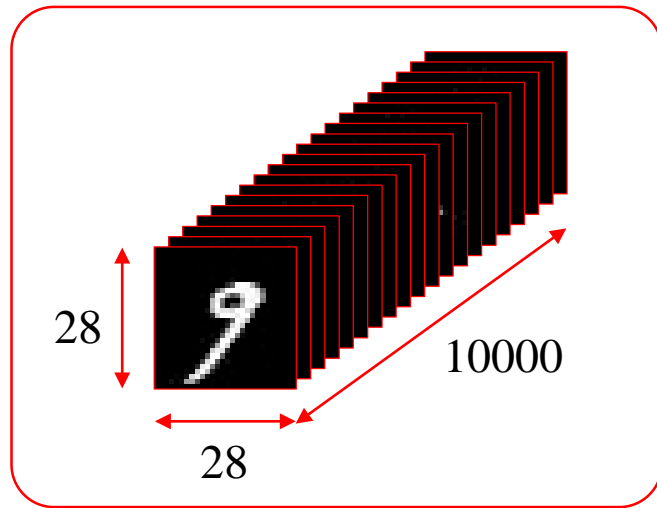
$$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$





# Step 7: Test the Network

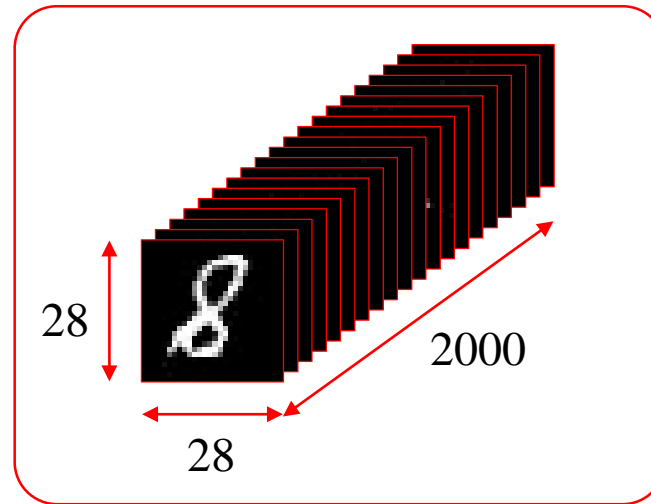
Training Data



Calculating the Evaluation index  
on training set

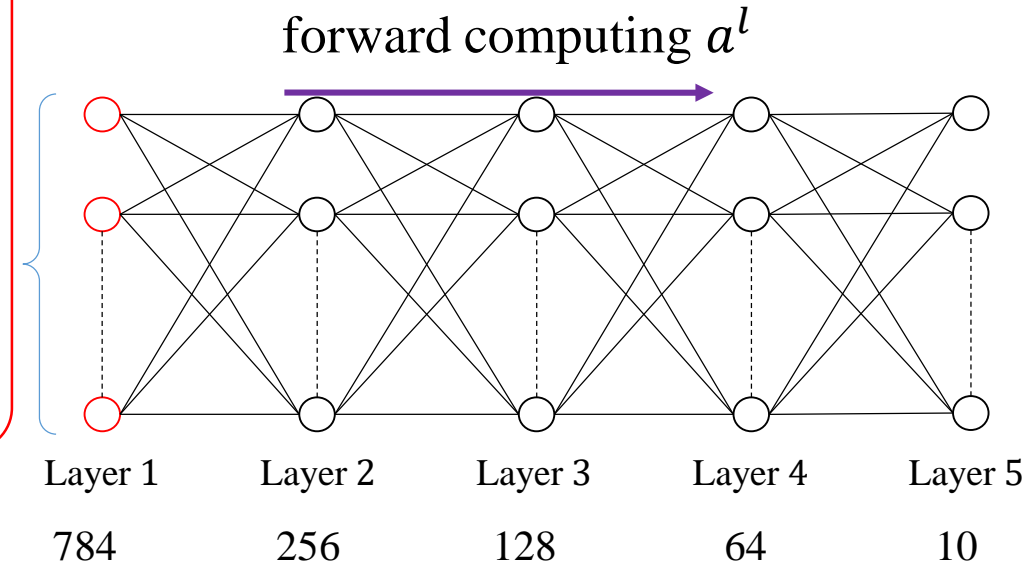
$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{number of correct prediction}}{10000}$$

Testing Data

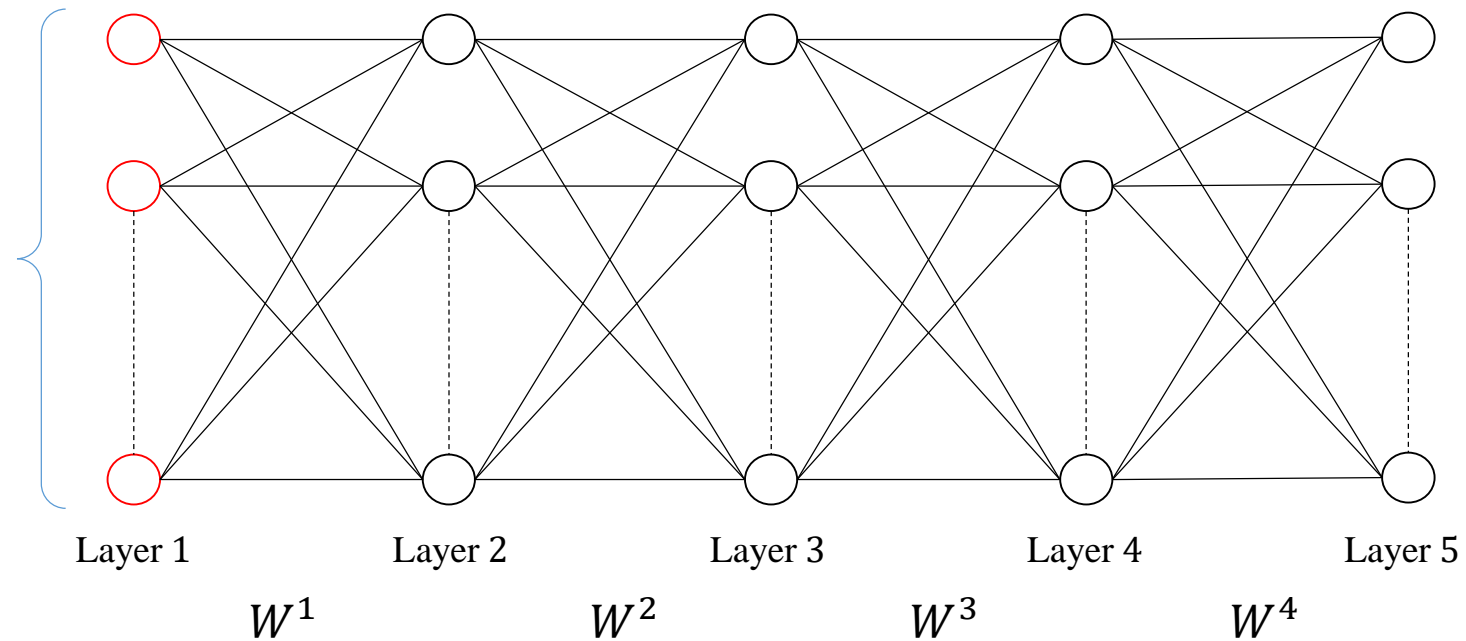


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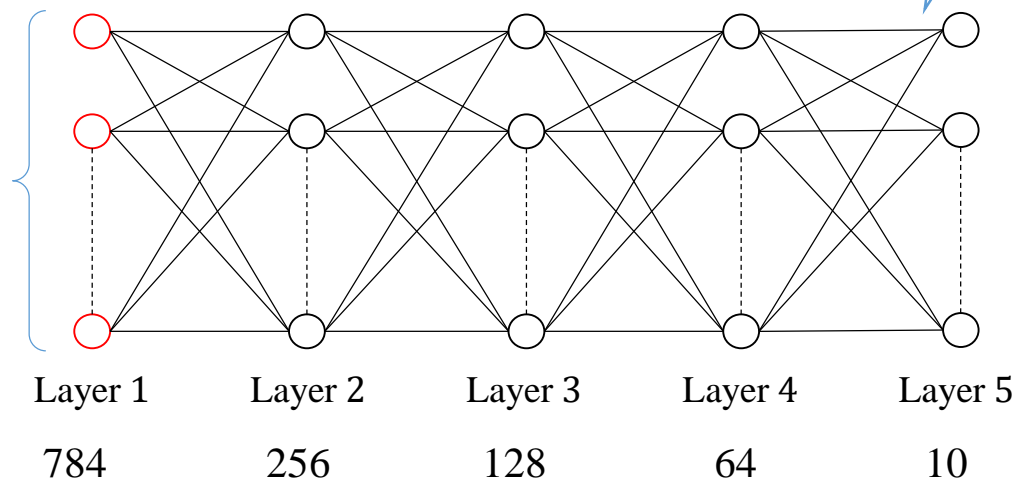
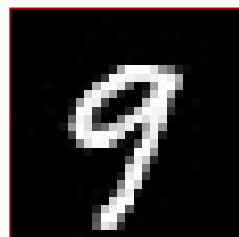
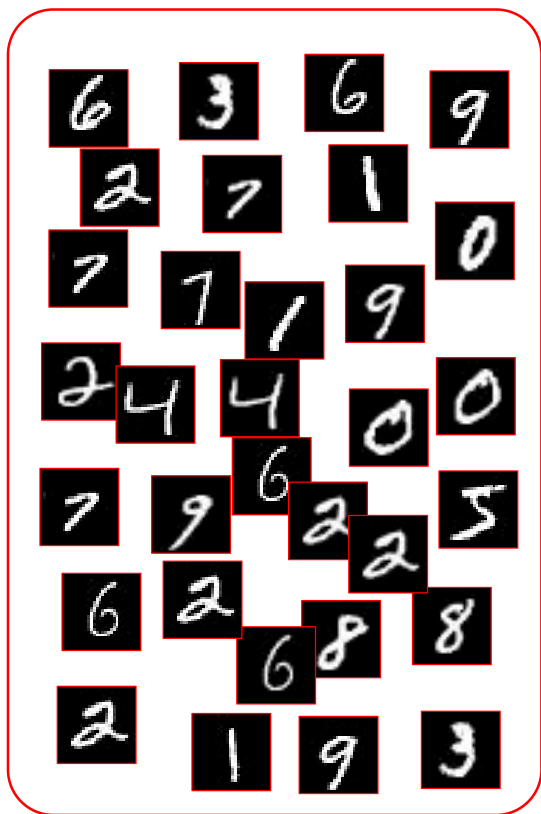
$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{number of correct prediction}}{2000}$$



## Step 8: Store the Network Parameters



# Step 9: Use Trained Network for Application



So easy!

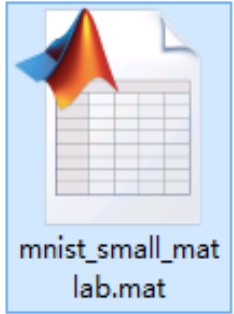


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testData	28x28x2000 double
trainLabels	10x10000 double
testLabels	10x2000 double

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%% Step 1: Data Preparation
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% loading dataset
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load mnist_small_matlab.mat
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% trainData: a matrix with size of 28x28x10000
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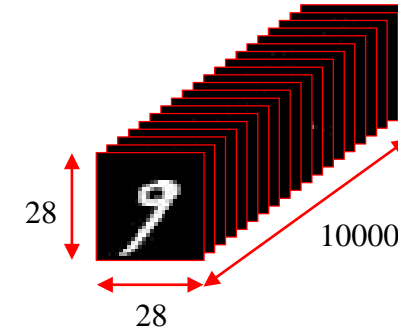
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% trainLabels: a matrix with size of 10x10000
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% testData: a matrix with size of 28x28x2000
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% testLabels: a matrix with size of 10x2000
```

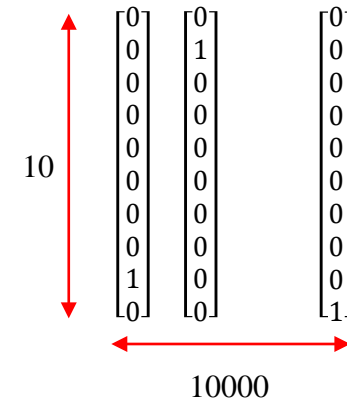
## Training Data

```
trainData % 28 * 28 * 10000
```



## Label

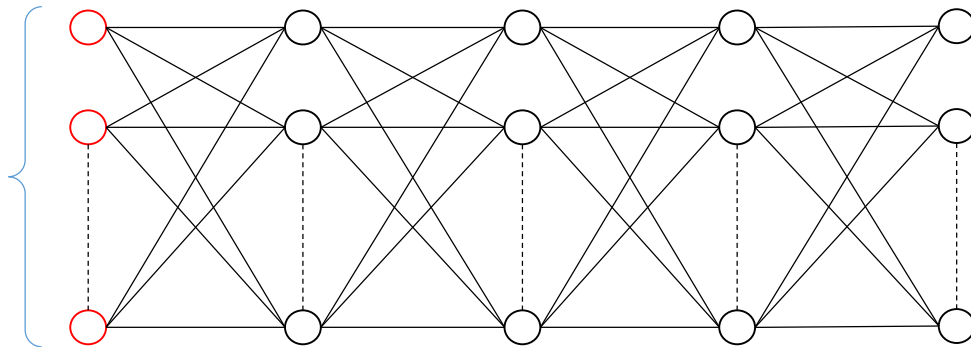
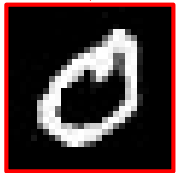
```
trainLabels % 10 * 10000
```



# Step 1: Data Preparation

```
% prepare the external input for training set  
train_size = 10000; % number of training samples  
% input in the 1st layer  
X_train = reshape(trainData, 784, train_size);
```

```
% prepare the external input for  
testing set  
  
test_size = 2000; % number of testing  
samples  
% external input in the 1st layer  
X_test = reshape(testData,  
                 784,  
                 test_size);
```



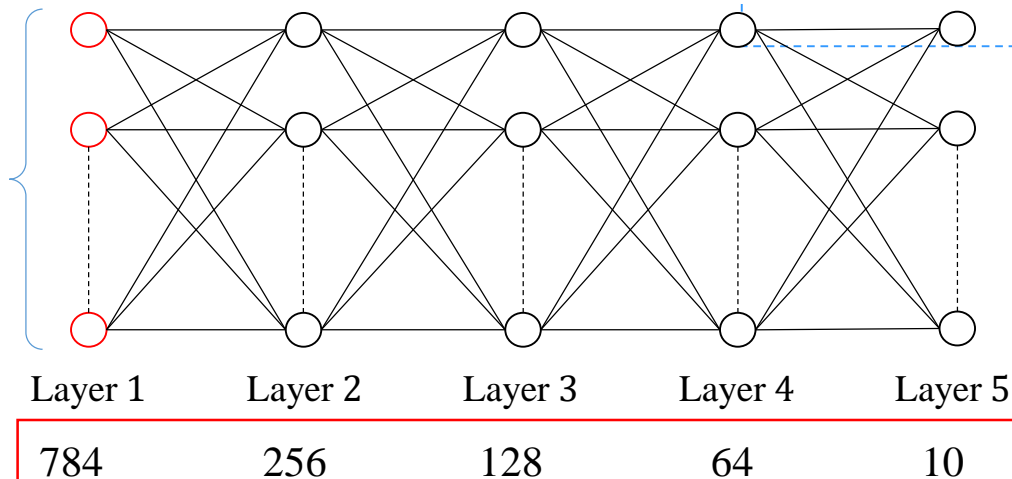
## TIPS

- X\_train and X\_test are cells in Matlab
- reshape and zeros are built-in functions in Matlab

## Step 2: Design Network Architecture

```
% define number of layers
L = 5;

% define number of neurons in each layer
% - 1st column: external neurons
% - 2nd column: internal neurons
layer_size = [784 % number of neurons in 1st layer
              256 % number of neurons in 2nd layer
              128 % number of neurons in 3rd layer
              64  % number of neurons in 4th layer
              10]; % number of neurons in 5th layer
```





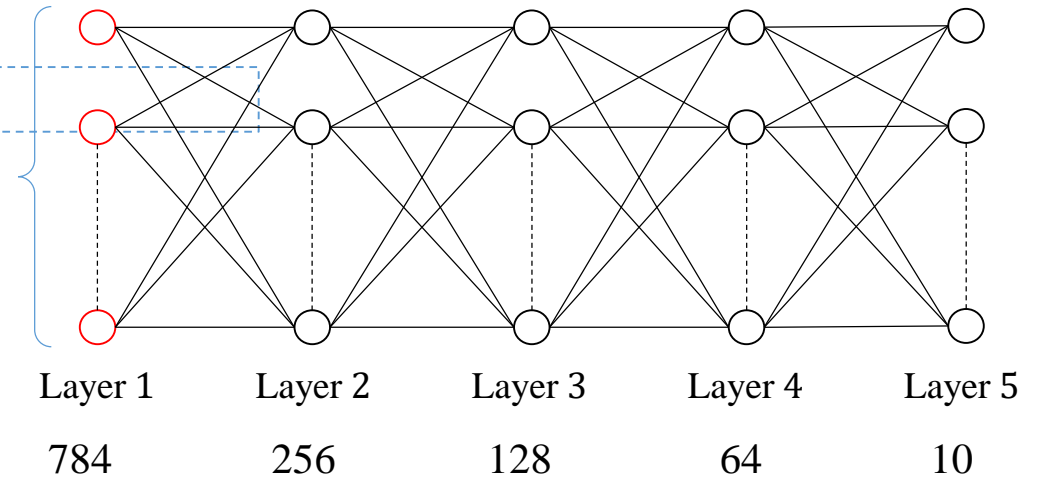
# Step 3: Initialize Parameters

Gaussian distribution:  $w_{ij}^l \sim N(0,1)$

```
% initialize weights
for l = 1:L-1
    w{l} = 0.1*randn(layer_size(l+1,1), sum(layer_size(l,:)));
end
```

Initialize learning rate

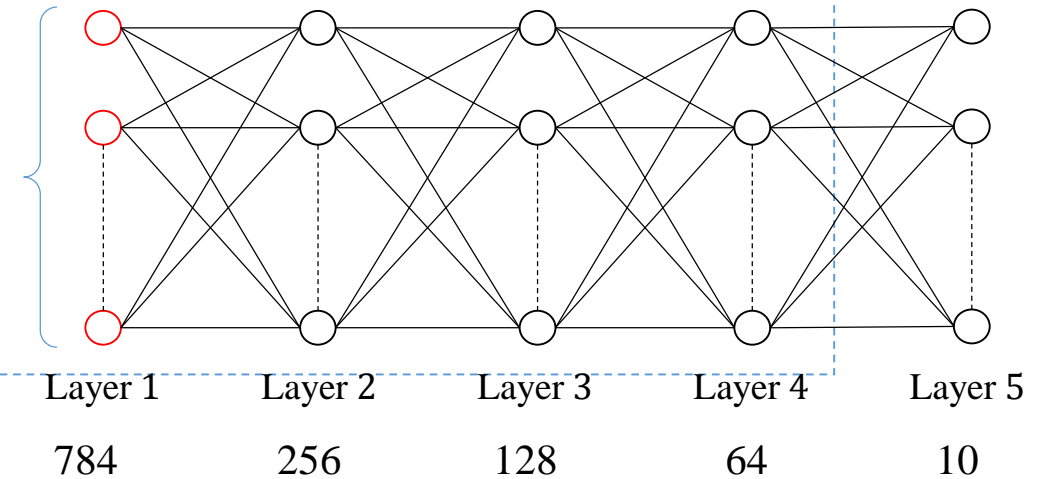
```
alpha = 0.005; % initialize learning rate
```



# Step 4, 5: Define Cost Function and Evaluation Index

```
%% Step 4: Define Cost Function
function [J] = cost(a, y)
    J = 1/2 * sum((a - y).^2);
end

%% Step 5: Define Evaluation Index
function [acc] = accuracy(a, y)
    mini_batch = size(a, 2);
    [~,idx_a] = max(a);
    [~,idx_y] = max(y);
    acc = sum(idx_a==idx_y) / mini_batch;
end
```



Cost function

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2$$

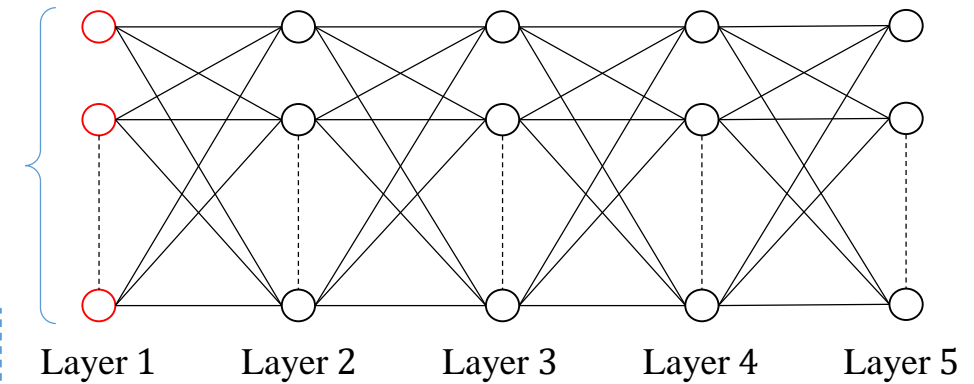
$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{number of correct prediction}}{\text{number of samples}}$$

# Step 6: Train the Network

```
%% Step 6: Train the Network
J = []; % array to store cost of each mini batch
Acc = []; % array to store accuracy of each mini batch
max_epoch = 200; % number of training epochs
mini_batch = 100; % number of sample in each mini batch
```

```
    % loop until converge
    for iter = 1:max_epoch
        % for each mini-batch
        % batch forward computation
        % batch backward computation
        % cumulate and update weight
    end
```

Mini-batch BP implement



## BP Algorithm:

Step 1. Input the training data set  $D = \{(x, y)\}$

Step 2. Initialize each  $w_{ij}^l$ , and choose a learning rate  $\alpha$ .

Step 3. for each mini-batch sample  $D_m \subseteq D$

    for each  $x \in D_m$

$a^1 \leftarrow x \in D_m$ ;

        for  $l = 1:L-1$

$a^{l+1} \leftarrow fc(w^l, a^l)$ ;

        end

$\delta^L = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z^L}$ ;

        for  $l = L-1:2$

$\delta^l \leftarrow bc(w^l, \delta^{l+1})$ ;

        end

$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} \leftarrow \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} + \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$ ;

    end

$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$ ;

end

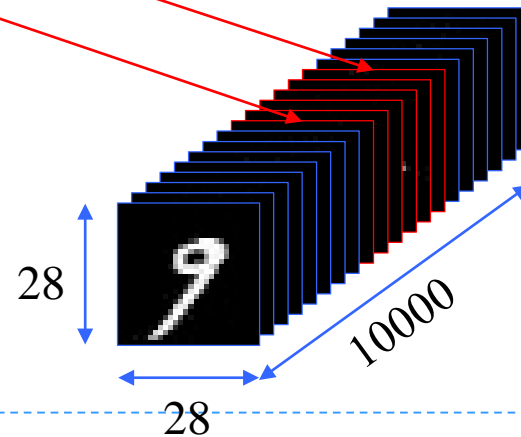
Step 4. Return to Step 3 until each  $w^l$  converge.

# Step 6: Train the Network

```
% randomly permute the indexes of samples in training set
idxs = randperm(train_size);
% for each mini-batch
for k = 1:ceil(train_size/mini_batch)
    % prepare internal inputs in 1st layer denoted by a{1}

    start_idx = (k-1)*mini_batch+1;           % start index of kth mini-batch
    end_idx = min(k*mini_batch, train_size); % end index of kth mini-batch
    a{1} = X_train(:,idxs(start_idx:end_idx));

    % prepare labels
    y = trainLabels(:, idxs(start_idx:end_idx));
    % forward computation
    % ...
    % cost function
    % ...
    % backward computation
    % ...
    % update weight
    % ...
end
```



training data

## TIPS

- randperm is a built-in function in Matlab

# Step 6: Train the Network

```
% forward computation
for l=1:L-1
    [a{l+1}, z{l+1}] = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end

% Compute delta of last layer
delta{L} = (a{L} - y).* a{L} .*(1-a{L});

% backward computation
for l=L-1:-1:2
    delta{l} = bc(w{l}, z{l}, delta{l+1});
end

% update weight
for l=1:L-1
    % compute the gradient
    grad_w = delta{l+1} * a{l}' ;
    w{l} = w{l} - alpha*grad_w;
end
```

## BP Algorithm:

Step 1. Input the training data set  $D = \{(x, y)\}$

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end

$\delta^L = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z^L}$ ;

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end

$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} \leftarrow \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} + \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$ ;

end

$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$ ;

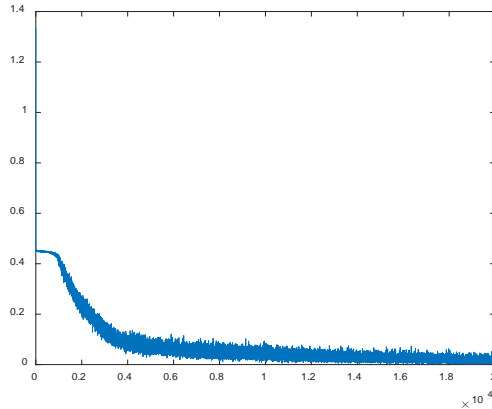
end

Step 4. Return to Step 3 until each  $w^l$  converge.

# Step 6: Train the Network

**Cost function**

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} (a_j^L - y_j^L)^2$$

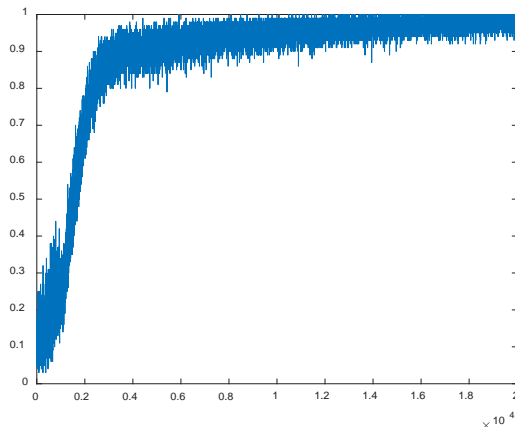


```
% training cost on training batch  
J = [J 1/mini_batch*cost(a{L}, y)];  
figure  
plot(J);
```

**Accuracy**

$$\text{Acc} = \frac{\text{number of correct prediction}}{\text{number of samples}}$$

Use max output as prediction



```
% accuracy on training batch  
Acc = [Acc accuracy(a{L}, y)];  
figure  
plot(Acc);
```

# Step 7: Test the Network

```
%test on training set
a{1} = X_train;
for l = 1:L-1
    a{l+1} = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end
train_acc = accuracy(a{L}, trainLabels);
fprintf('Accuracy on training dataset is %f%%\n', train_acc*100);
```

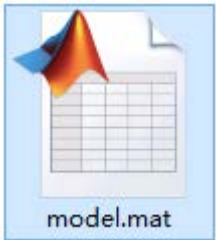
Accuracy on training dataset is 98.160000%

```
%test on testing set
a{1} = X_test;
for l = 1:L-1
    a{l+1} = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end
test_acc = accuracy(a{L}, testLabels);
fprintf('Accuracy on testing dataset is %f%%\n', test_acc*100);
```

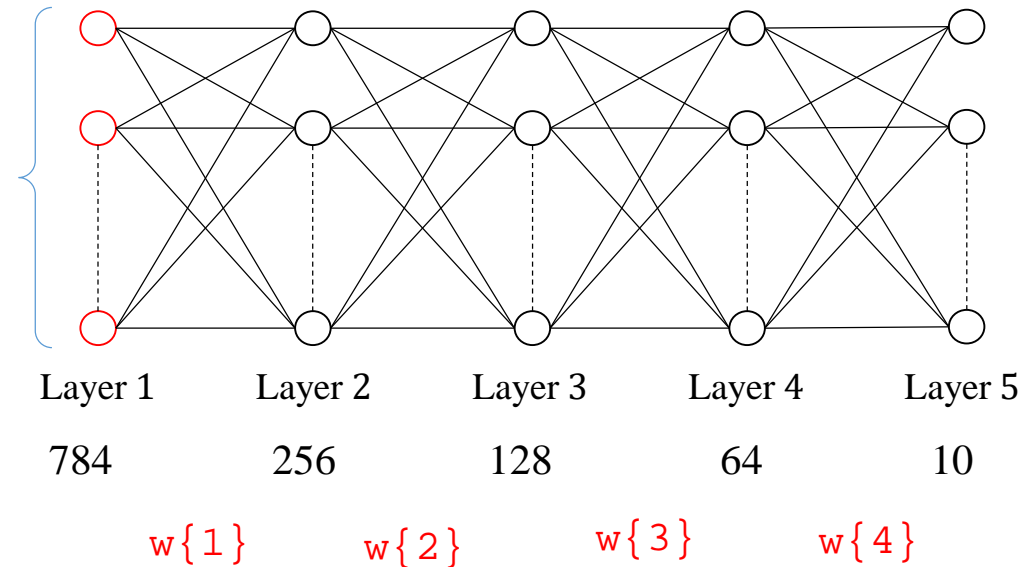
Accuracy on testing dataset is 95.550000%

# Experiments: Store the Network Parameters

```
% save model  
save model.mat w layer_size
```



This is very important!





# Experiments: Code Structure



main.m

The main  
running script



fc.m

Forward  
computing  
function



bc.m

Backward  
computing  
function



cost.m

Cost function



accuracy.m

Evaluation  
Index

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
% Step 1: Data Preparation

% loading dataset
load mnist_small_matlab.mat
% trainData: a matrix with size of 28x28x10000
% trainLabels: a matrix with size of 10x10000
% testData: a matrix with size of 28x28x2000
% testLabels: a matrix with size of 10x2000

train_size = 10000; % number of training samples
% input in the 1st layer
X_train = reshape(trainData, 784, train_size);
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
test_size = 2000; % number of testing samples
% external input in the 1st layer
X_test = reshape(testData, 784, test_size);
```

```
%% Step 2: Design Network Architecture
% define number of layers
L = 5;
% define number of neurons in each layer
layer_size = [784 % number of neurons in 1st layer
              256 % number of neurons in 2nd layer
              128 % number of neurons in 3rd layer
              64  % number of neurons in 4th layer
              10]; % number of neurons in 5th layer
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
%% Step 3: Initial Parameters

% initialize weights in each layer with Gaussian distribution
for l = 1:L-1
    w{l} = 0.1 * randn(layer_size(l+1,1), sum(layer_size(l,:)));
end

alpha = 0.005; % initialize learning rate

%% Step 4: Define Cost Function
% cost function is defined in cost.m

%% Step 5: Define Evaluation Index
% accuracy defined in accuracy.m
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
%% Step 6: Train the Network
J = []; % array to store cost of each mini batch
Acc = []; % array to store accuracy of each mini batch
max_epoch = 200; % number of training epoch
mini_batch = 100; % number of sample of each mini batch

figure % plot the cost
for iter=1:max_epoch
    % randomly permute the indexes of samples in training set
    idxs = randperm(train_size);
    % for each mini-batch
    for k = 1:ceil(train_size/mini_batch)
        % prepare internal inputs in 1st layer denoted by a{1}

        start_idx = (k-1)*mini_batch+1; % start index of kth mini-batch
        end_idx = min(k*mini_batch, train_size); % end index of kth mini-batch
        a{1} = X_train(:,idxs(start_idx:end_idx));
        % prepare labels
        y = trainLabels(:, idxs(start_idx:end_idx));
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
% forward computation
for l=1:L-1
    [a{l+1}, z{l+1}] = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end

% Compute delta of last layer
delta{L} = (a{L} - y).* a{L} .* (1-a{L}); %delta{L}={partial J}/{partial z^L}

% backward computation
for l=L-1:-1:2
    delta{l} = bc(w{l}, z{l}, delta{l+1});
end

% update weight
for l=1:L-1
    % compute the gradient
    grad_w = delta{l+1} * a{l}';
    w{l} = w{l} - alpha*grad_w;
end
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
% training cost on training batch
J = [J 1/mini_batch*sum(cost(a{L}, y))];
Acc =[Acc accuracy(a{L}, y)];
% plot training error
plot(J);
pause(0.000001);
end
end
% end training
% plot accuracy
figure
plot(Acc);
```

# Experiments: Code—main.m

```
% Step 7: Test the Network
%test on training set
a{1} = X_train;
for l = 1:L-1
    a{l+1} = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end
train_acc = accuracy(a{L}, trainLabels);
fprintf('Accuracy on training dataset is %f%%\n', train_acc*100);

%test on testing set
a{1} = X_test;
for l = 1:L-1
    a{l+1} = fc(w{l}, a{l});
end
test_acc = accuracy(a{L}, testLabels);
fprintf('Accuracy on testing dataset is %f%%\n', test_acc*100);

% Step 8: Store the Network Parameters
save model.mat w layer_size
```



# Experiments: Code—fc.m and bc.m

```
% fc.m
% This is forward computation function

function [a_next, z_next] = fc(w, a)
    % define the activation function
    f = @(s) 1 ./ (1 + exp(-s));

    % forward computing
    z_next = w * a;
    a_next = f(z_next);
end
```

```
% bc.m
% This is backward computation function

function delta = bc(w, z, delta_next)

    % activation function
    f = @(s) 1 ./ (1 + exp(-s));

    % derivative of activation function
    df = @(s) f(s) .* (1 - f(s));

    % backward computing
    delta = (w' * delta_next) .* df(z);

end
```

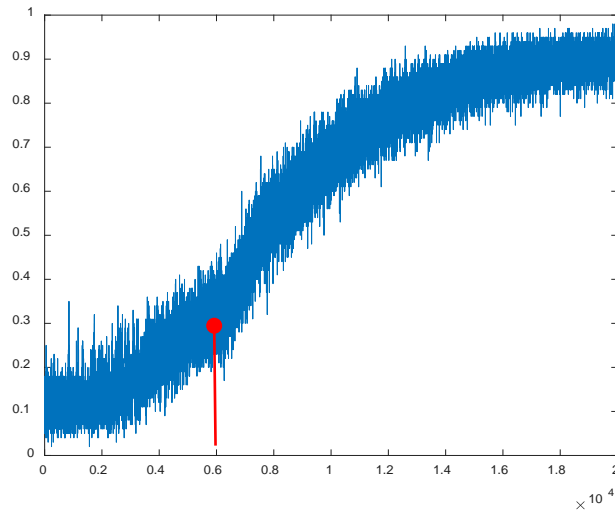
# Experiments: Code—cost.m and accuracy.m

```
%% Step 4: Define Cost Function
function [J] = cost(a, y)
    J = 1/2 * sum((a - y).^2);
end
```

```
%% Step5: Define Evaluation Index
function [ acc ] = accuracy( a, y )
    mini_batch = size(a, 2);
    [~,idx_a] = max(a);
    [~,idx_y] = max(y);
    acc = sum(idx_a==idx_y) / mini_batch;
end
```

# Results: Learning Rate

% learning rate  
alpha = 0.001;

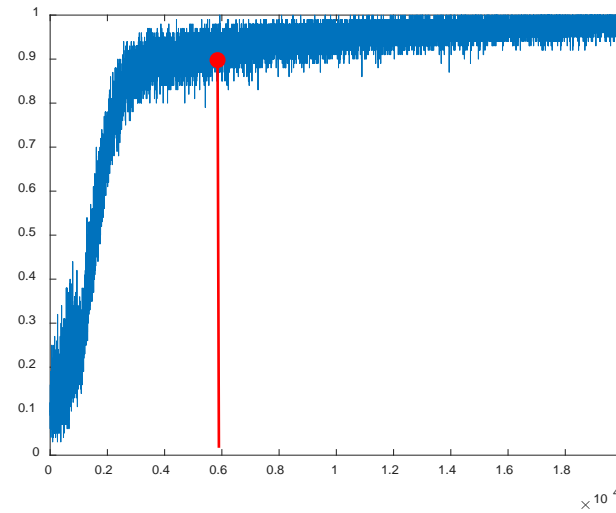


Accuracy

- Training=90.24%
- Testing=89.10%

Too Slow

% learning rate  
alpha = 0.005;

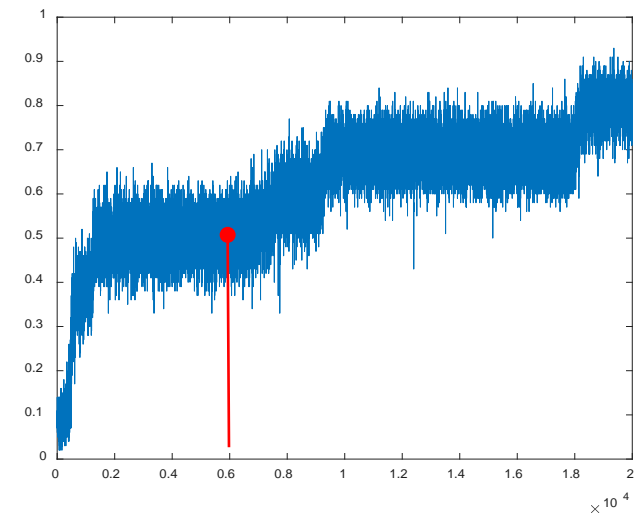


Accuracy

- Training=98.15%
- Testing=95.25%

Good

% learning rate  
alpha = 0.08;



Accuracy

- Training=79.66%
- Testing=76.65%

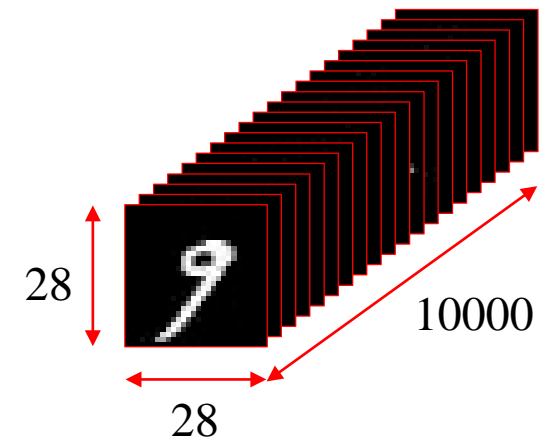
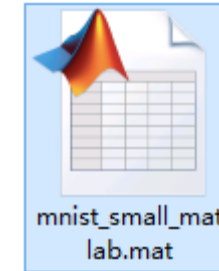
Too Fast

# Outline

- Brief Review of Backpropagation Algorithm
- An Illustrating Example
- Experiments
- Assignment

# Assignment

1. Copy and run the handwritten digits recognition code by MATLAB using only one layer of external input.
2. Try different network layers with different neurons and plot the results (such as  $L = 2, 3, 8$ ).





*Thanks*