



Initialization

A well chosen initialization can:

1. speed up the convergence of gradient descent
2. Increase the odds of gradient descent converging to a lower training (and generalization) error

{ Zeros initialization
Random initialization
He initialization Best.!

Initialize parameters **zeros**:

for l in range(1, L):

$\text{parameters}['w' + \text{str}(l)] = \text{np.zeros}(\text{layers_dims}[l], \text{layers_dims}[l-1])$

$\text{parameters}['b' + \text{str}(l)] = \text{np.zeros}(\text{layers_dims}[l], 1)$

random:

$\text{parameters}['w' + \text{str}(l)] = \text{np.random.randn}(\text{layers_dims}[l], \text{layers_dims}[l-1]) * 1$

$\text{parameters}['b' + \text{str}(l)] = \text{np.zeros}(\text{layers_dims}[l], 1)$

The initialization:

$\text{random.randn}(\text{layers_dims}[l], \text{layers_dims}[l-1]) * \sqrt{2 / \text{layers_dims}[l-1]}$

$\text{np.sqrt}(2 / \text{layers_dims}[l-1])$

$\sqrt{2}$
dimension of previous layer