Optimization

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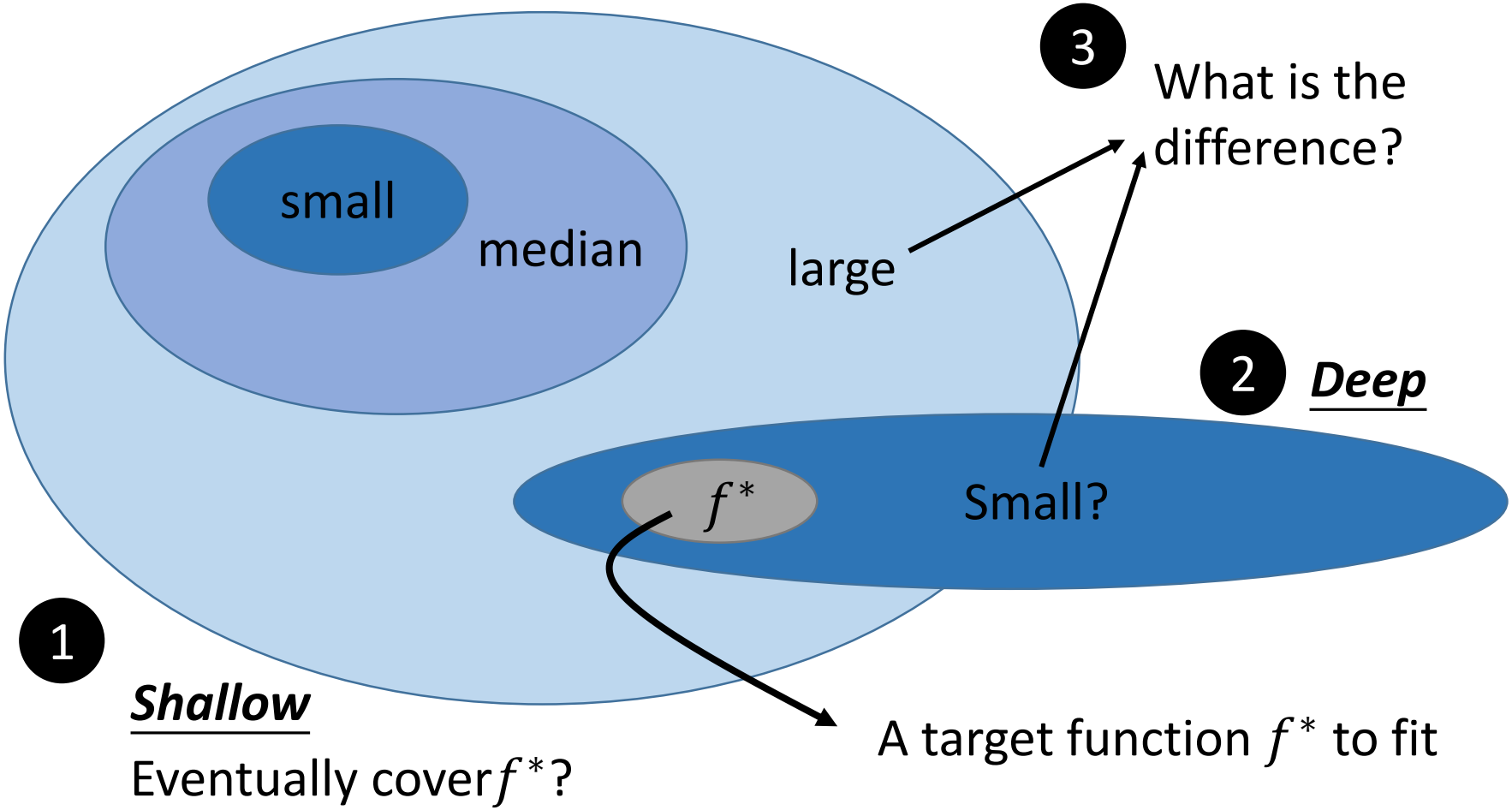
Last time …

Optimization: Is it possible to find f^* in the function space.



Optimization

Optimization ≠ Learning

Network: $f_\theta(x)$

Training data:

$(x^1, \hat{y}^1)$

$(x^2, \hat{y}^2)$

$\vdots$

$(x^R, \hat{y}^R)$

$$L(\theta) = \sum_{r=1}^{R} l(f_\theta(x^r) - \hat{y}^r)$$

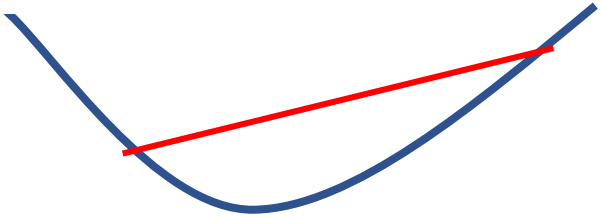
$$\theta^* = arg \min_\theta L(\theta)$$

In Deep Learning, $L(\theta)$ is not convex.

Non-convex optimization is NP-hard.

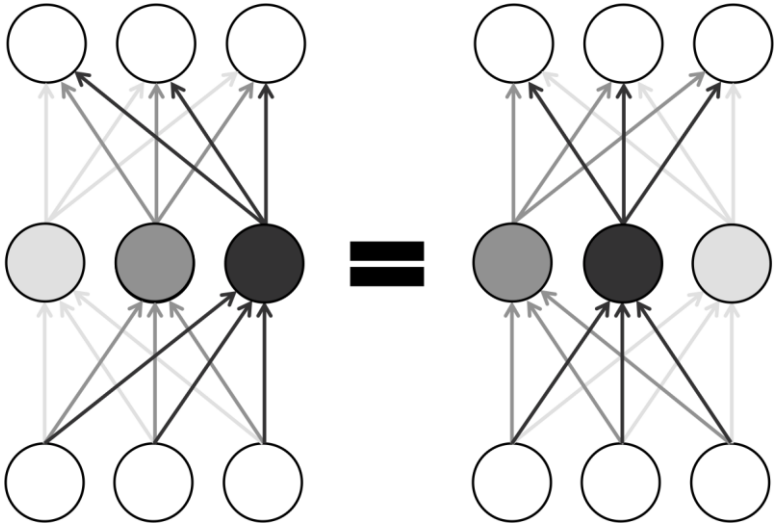
Why can we solve the problem by gradient descent?

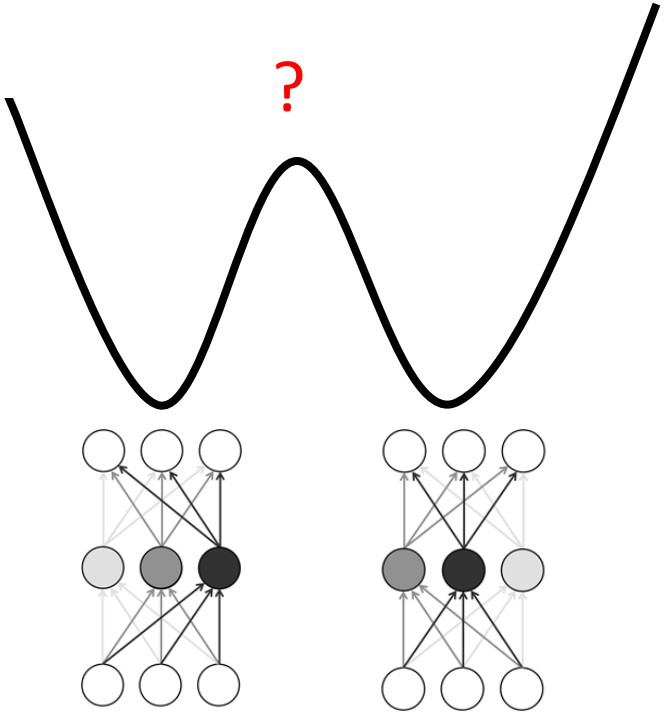
Loss of Deep Learning is not convex



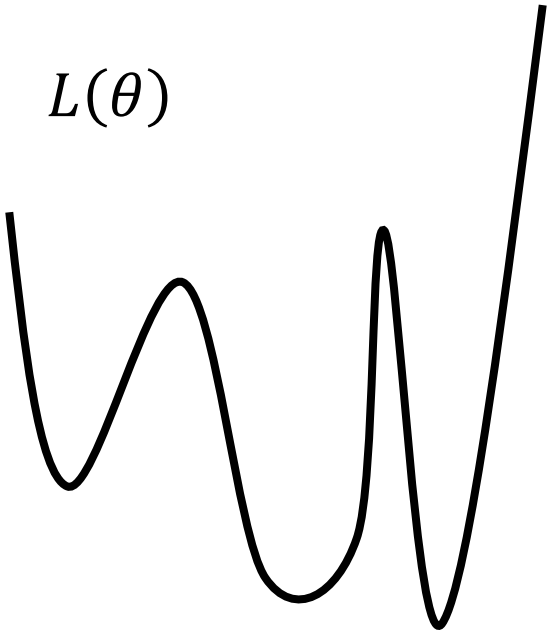
There are at least exponentially many global minima for a neural net.

Permutating the neurons in one layer does not change the loss.

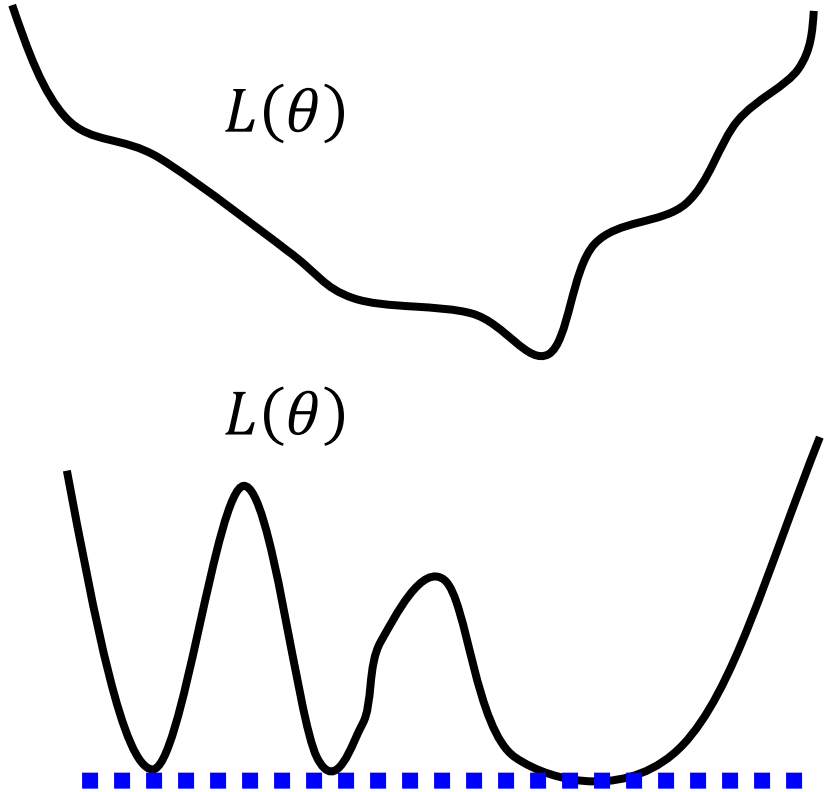




Non-convex ≠ Difficult



Not guarantee to find optimal solution by gradient descent



Outline

- Review: Hessian
- Deep Linear Model
- Deep Non-linear Model
- Conjecture about Deep Learning
- Empirical Observation about Error Surface

Hessian Matrix: When Gradient is Zero

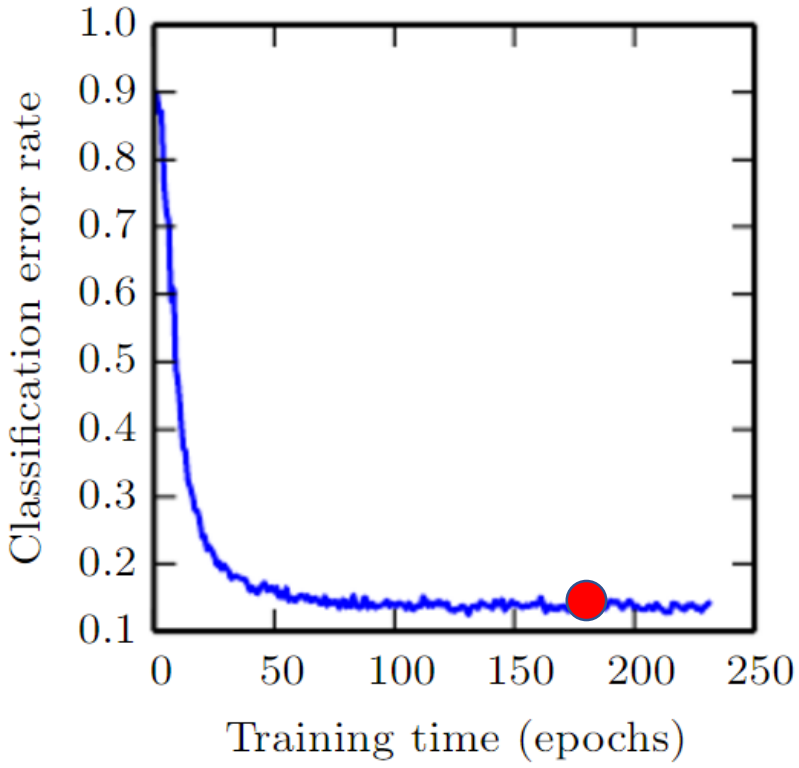
Some examples in this part are from:
https://www.math.upenn.edu/~kazdan/312F12/Notes/max-min-notesJan09/max-min.pdf

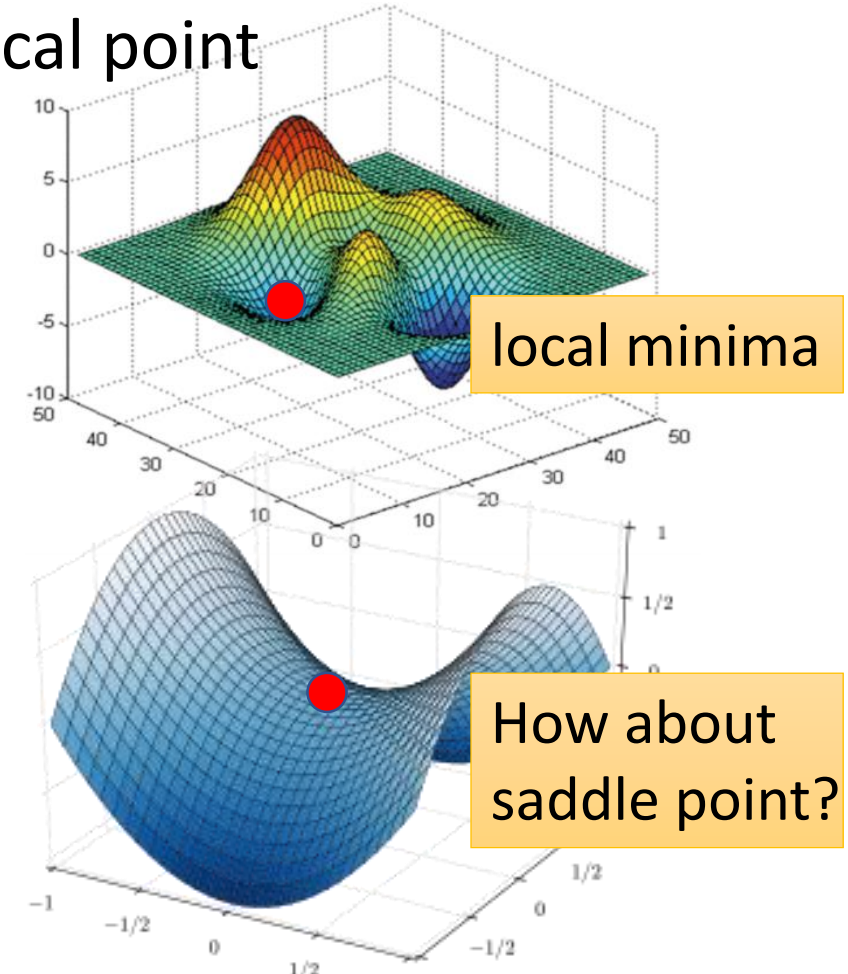
http://www.deeplearningbook.org/contents/optimization.html

Training stops ….

critical point: gradient is zero

- People believe training stuck because the parameters are near a critical point





When Gradient is Zero

$$f(\underline{\theta}) = f(\theta^0) + (\theta - \theta^0)^T g + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0) + \cdots$$

parameter

Gradient g is a ***vector***

$$g_i = \frac{\partial f(\theta^0)}{\partial \theta_i} \qquad \nabla f(\theta^0)$$

Hessian H is a ***matrix***

$$H_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} f(\theta^0)$$

symmetric

$$= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_j \partial \theta_i} f(\theta^0) = H_{ji}$$

Hessian

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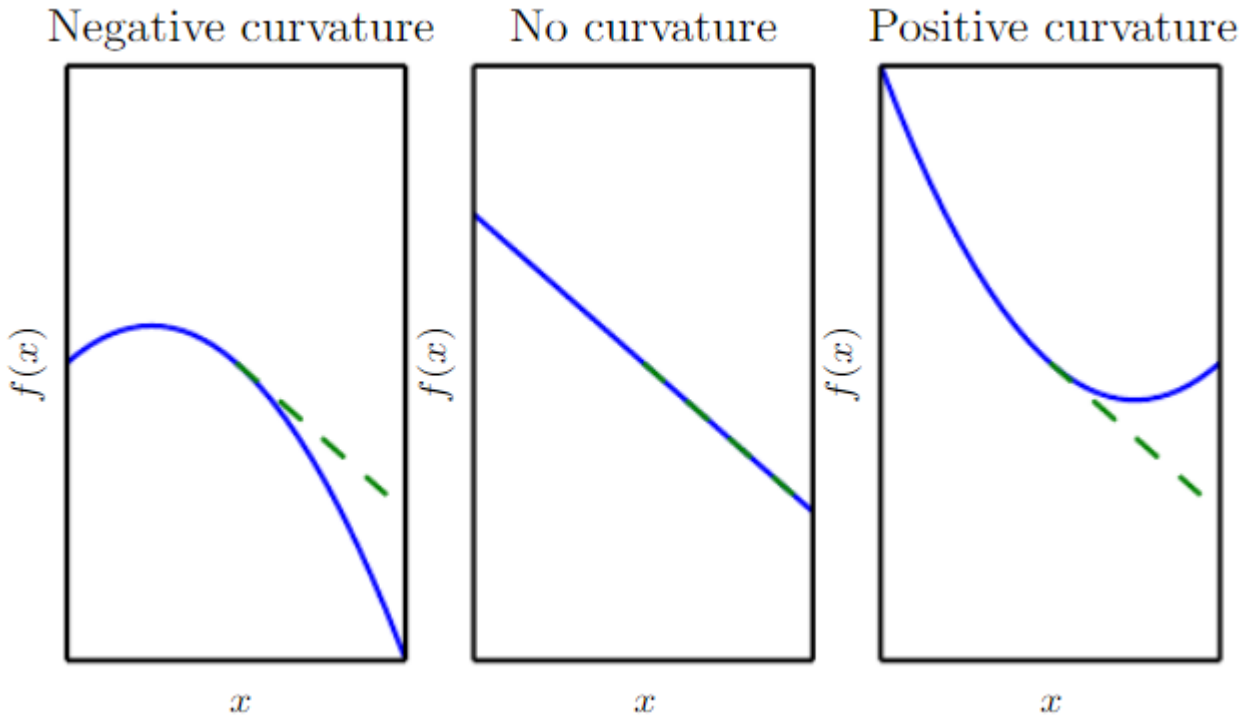
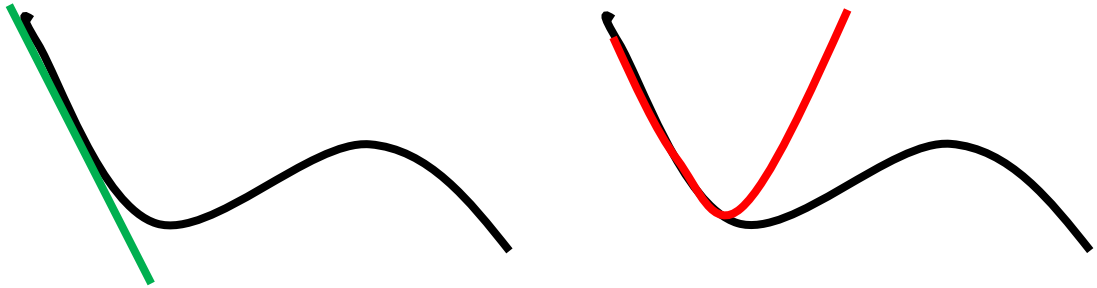
$$f(\theta) = f(\theta^0) + (\theta - \theta^0)^T g + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0) + \cdots$$

H determines the curvature



Hessian



$$f(\theta) = f(\theta^0) + (\theta - \theta^0)^T g + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0) + \cdots$$

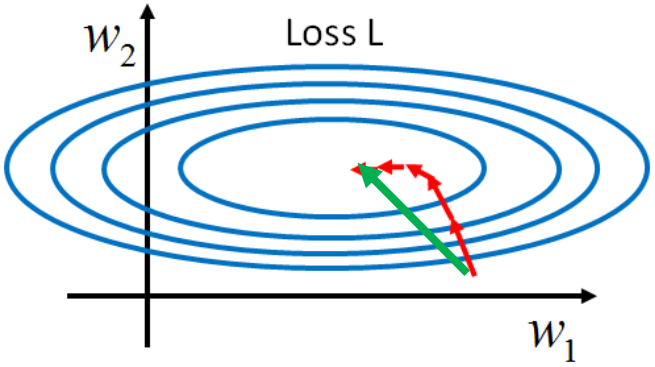
Newton's method → Find the space such that $\nabla f(\theta) = 0$

$$\nabla f(\theta) \approx \underbrace{\nabla[(\theta - \theta^0)^T g]}_{= g} + \underbrace{\nabla\left[\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0)\right]}_{H(\theta - \theta^0)}$$

$$\frac{\partial[(\theta - \theta^0)^T g]}{\partial \theta_i} = g_i$$

$$\frac{\partial\left[\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0)\right]}{\partial \theta_i}$$

Hessian



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Newton's method

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$$\nabla f(\theta) \approx g + H(\theta - \theta^0) = 0$$

$$H(\theta - \theta^0) = -g \qquad \theta = \theta^0 - \boxed{H^{-1}} g \quad \text{v.s.} \quad \theta = \theta^0 - \eta g$$

$$\theta - \theta^0 = -H^{-1} g$$

Change the direction, determine step size

Hessian

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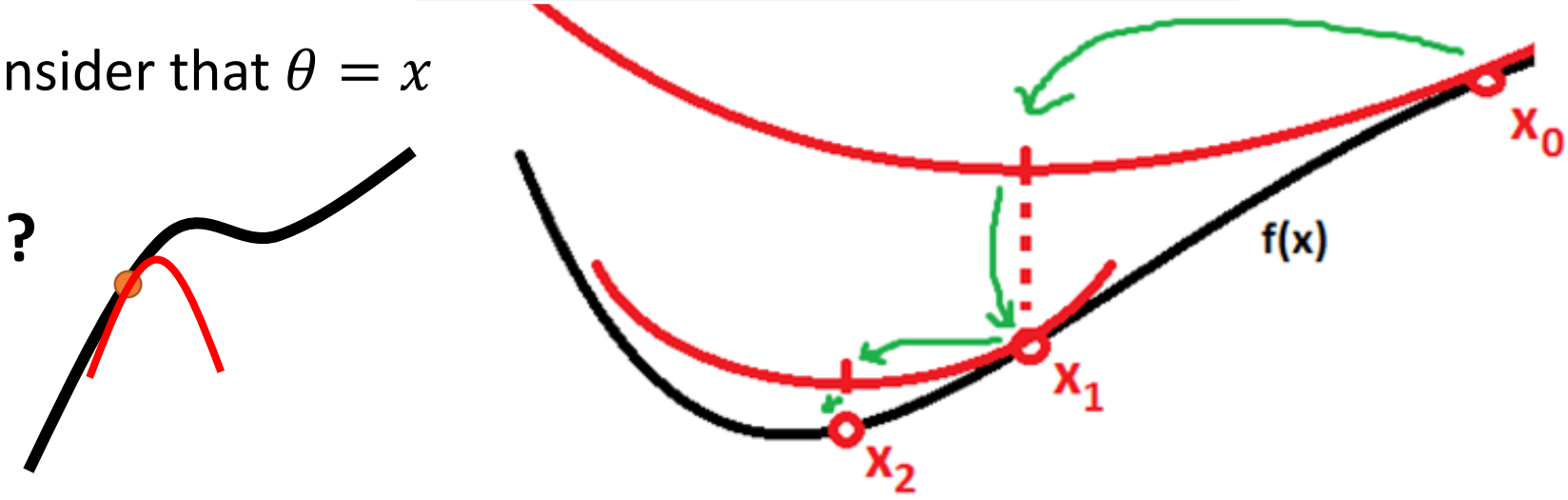
https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/609680/newtons-method-intuition

$$f(\theta) = f(\theta^0) + (\theta - \theta^0)^T g + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0) + \cdots$$

Newton's method Not suitable for Deep Learning

Consider that $\theta = x$



If $f(x)$ is a quadratic function, obtain critical point in one step.

What is the problem?

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Hessian

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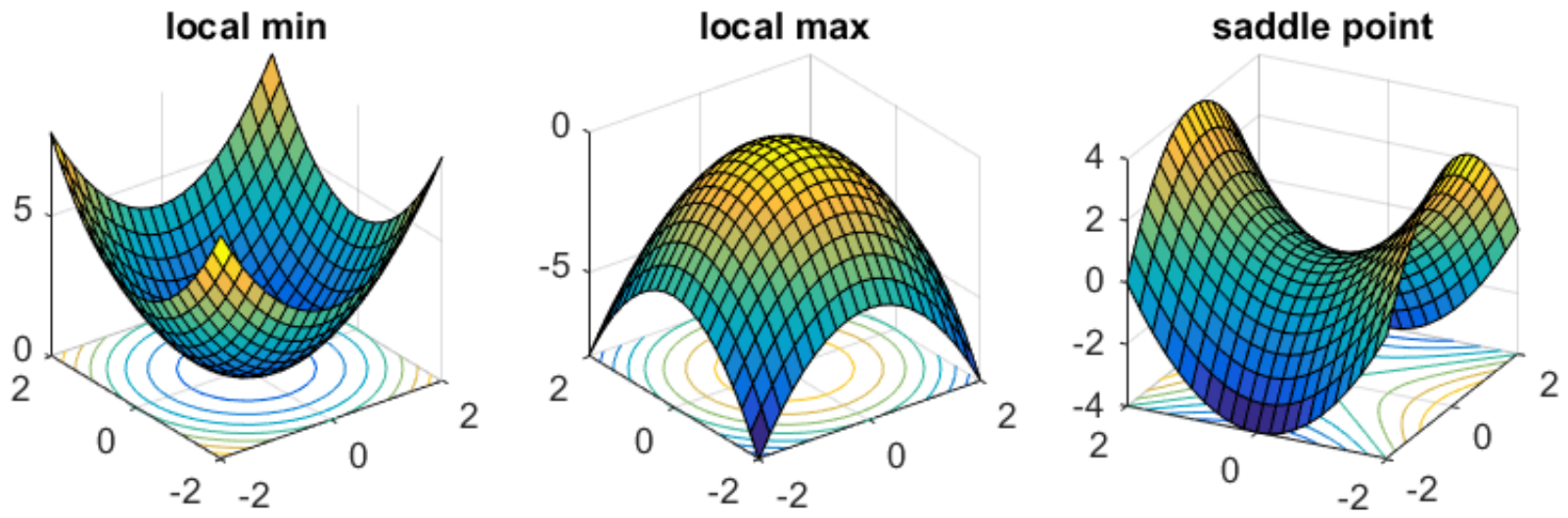
At critical point ($g = 0$)

H tells us the properties of critical points.



http://speech.ee.ntu.edu.tw/~tlkagk/courses/LA_2016/Lecture/eigen.pdf

Review: Linear Algebra

- If $Av = \lambda v$ (v is a vector, λ is a scalar)
  - v is an eigenvector of A excluding zero vector
  - λ is an eigenvalue of A that corresponds to v

A must be square

Eigen value

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigen vector

Review: Positive/Negative Definite

- An nxn matrix A is symmetric.
- For every non-zero vector x ($x \neq 0$)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

positive definite: $xAx > 0$ ⟺ All eigen values are positive.

positive semi-definite: $xAx \geq 0$ ⟺ All eigen values are non-negative.

negative definite: $xAx < 0$ ⟺ All eigen values are negative.

negative semi-definite: $xAx \leq 0$ ⟺ All eigen values are non-positive.

Hessian

At critical point: xHx

$$f(\theta) \approx f(\theta^0) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0)$$

H is positive definite ➡ $xHx > 0$ $xHx \geq 0$?

All eigen values are positive.

➡ Around θ^0: $f(\theta) > f(\theta^0)$ ➡ Local minima

H is negative definite ➡ $xHx < 0$ $xHx \leq 0$?

All eigen values are negative

➡ Around θ^0: $f(\theta) < f(\theta^0)$ ➡ Local maxima

Sometimes $xHx > 0$, sometimes $xHx < 0$

➡ Saddle point

Hessian

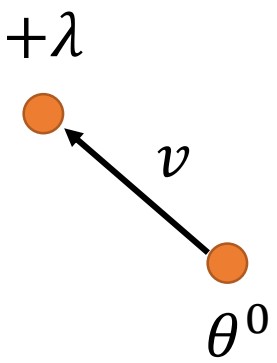
At critical point:

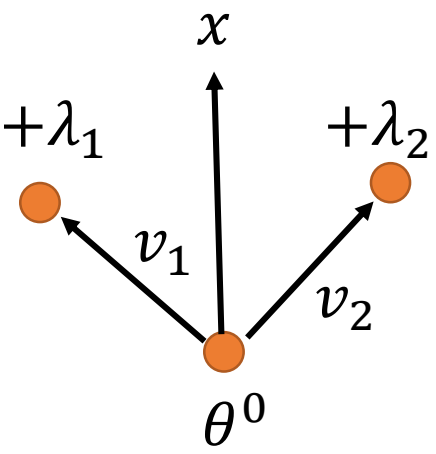
$$f(\theta) \approx f(\theta^0) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta^0)^T H(\theta - \theta^0)$$

v is an eigen vector ➡ $v^T H v = v^T(\lambda v) = \lambda \|v\|^2$

Unit vector

$= \lambda$





$$x = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2$$

$$x^T H x$$

$$= (a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2)^T H (a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2)$$

v_1 and v_2 are orthogonal

$$= (a_1)^2 \lambda_1 + (a_x)^2 \lambda_2 ?$$

Because H is an nxn symmetric matrix,

H can have eigen vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n\}$ form a orthonormal basis.

Hessian

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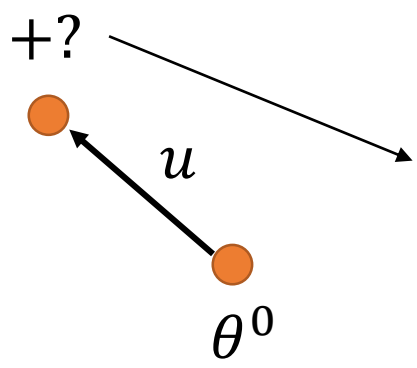

$$u = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2 + \cdots + a_n v_n$$

$$(a_1)^2 \lambda_1 + (a_2)^2 \lambda_2 + \cdots + (a_n)^2 \lambda_n$$

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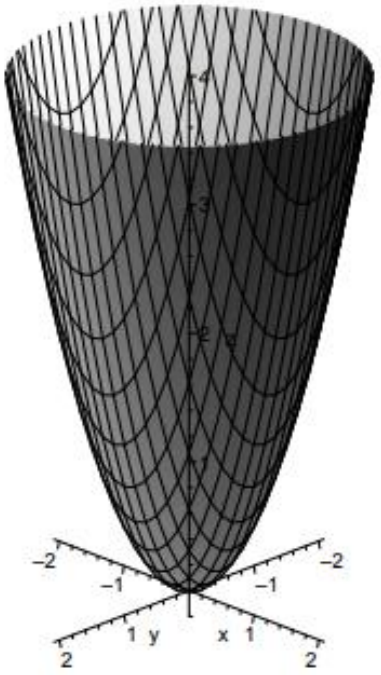
Examples

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + 3y^2$$



$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = 2x \qquad \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = 6y$$

$$x = 0, y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial x} f(x,y) = 2 \qquad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(x,y) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial x} f(x,y) = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial y} f(x,y) = 6$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Positive-definite

Local minima

$$f(x,y) = -x^2 + 3y^2$$

Examples

$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = -2x \quad \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = 6y$$

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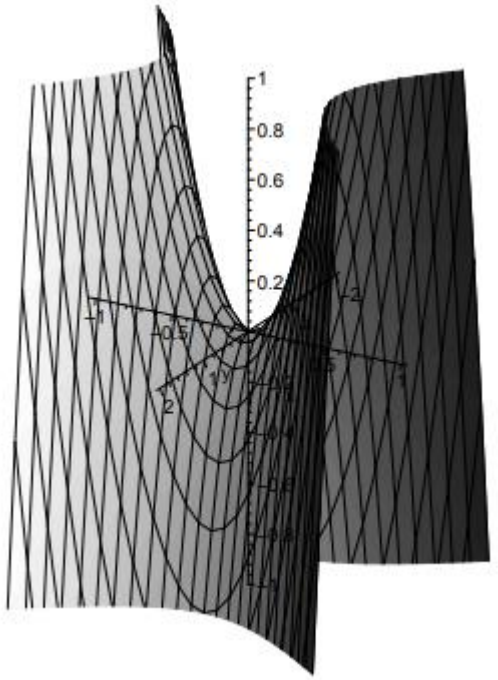

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Saddle

Degenerate

- Degenerate Hessian has at least one zero eigen value

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + y^4$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = 2x \qquad \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = 4y^3 \qquad x = y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial x} f(x,y) = 2 \qquad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(x,y) = 0 \qquad H = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial x} f(x,y) = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y \partial y} f(x,y) = 12y^2$$

Degenerate

- Degenerate Hessian has at least one zero eigen value

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + y^4 \qquad g(x,y) = x^2 - y^4$$

$$x = y = 0 \qquad x = y = 0$$

$$g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad H = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

No Difference

Degenerate

$$h(x,y) = 0$$

$$x = y = 0$$

$$g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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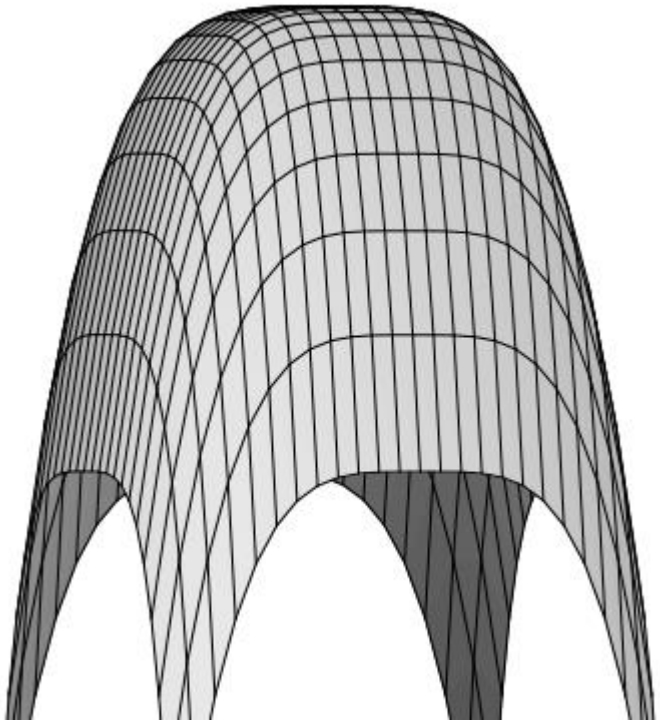
$$f(x,y) = -x^4 - y^4$$



$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = -4x^3 \quad \frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = -4y^3$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial x} f(x,y) = -12x^2 \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} f(x,y) = 0$$

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http://homepages.math.uic.edu/~julius/monkeysaddle.html

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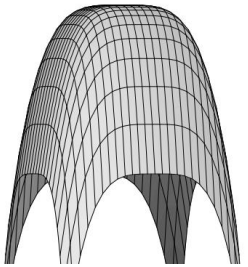

Monkey Saddle

$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial x} = 3x^2 - 3y^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f(x,y)}{\partial y} = -6xy$$

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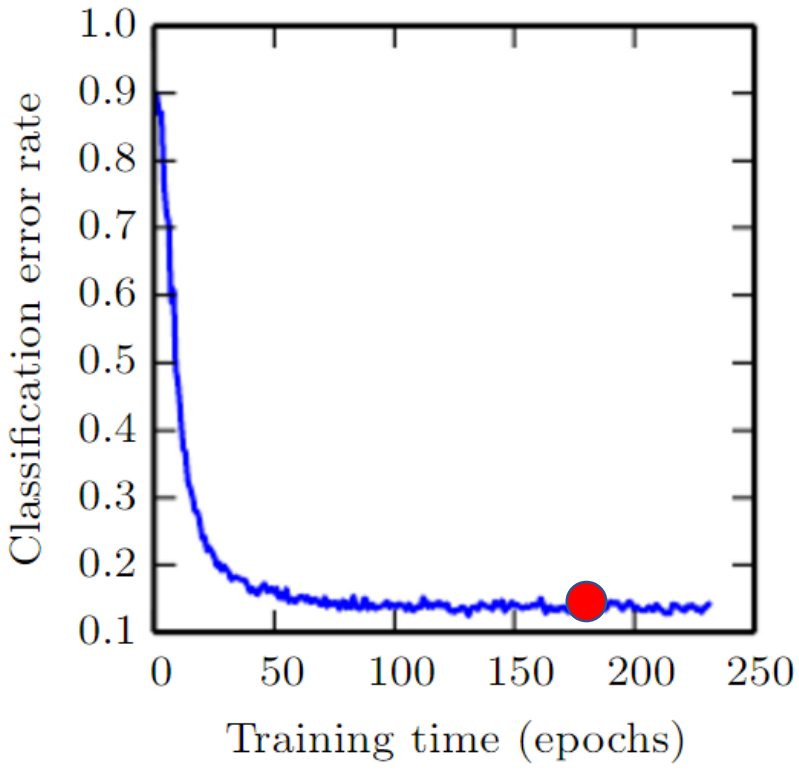
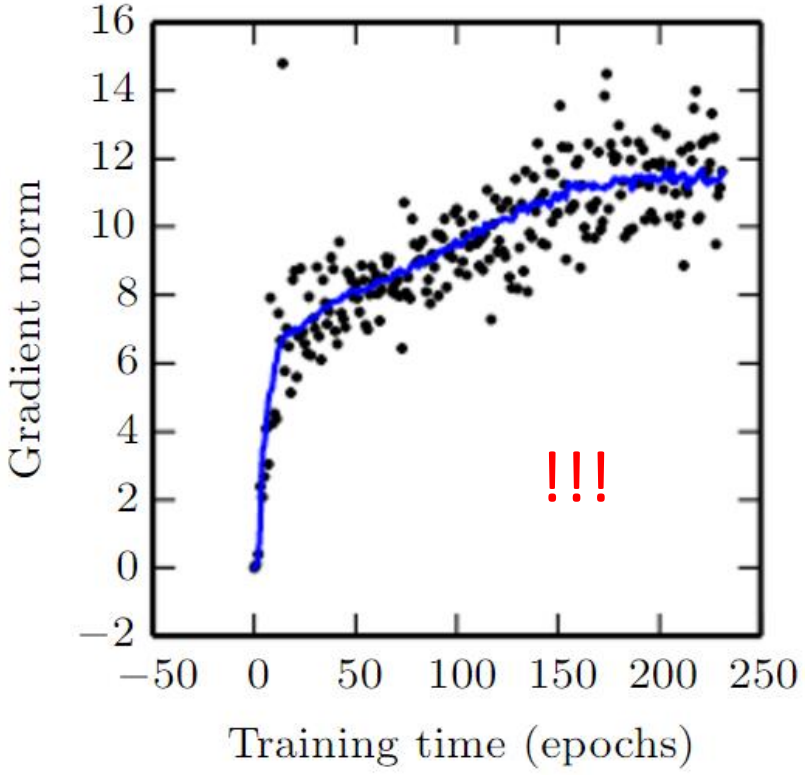
Training stuck ≠ Zero Gradient

- People believe training stuck because the parameters are around a critical point





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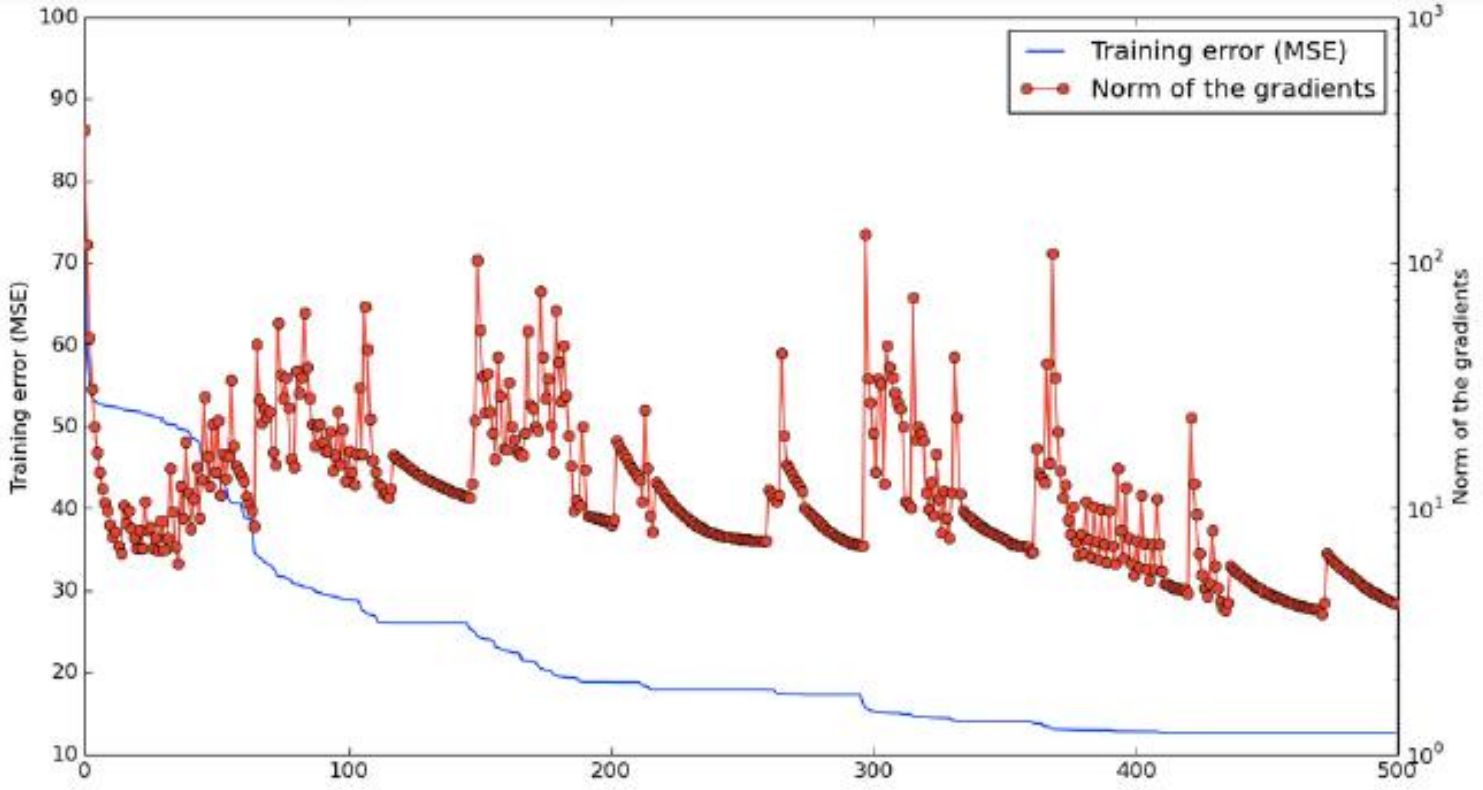

Approach a saddle point, and then escape

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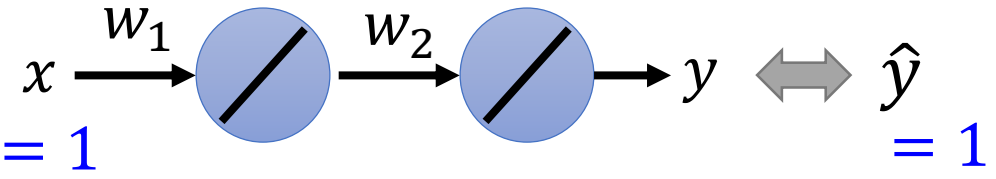
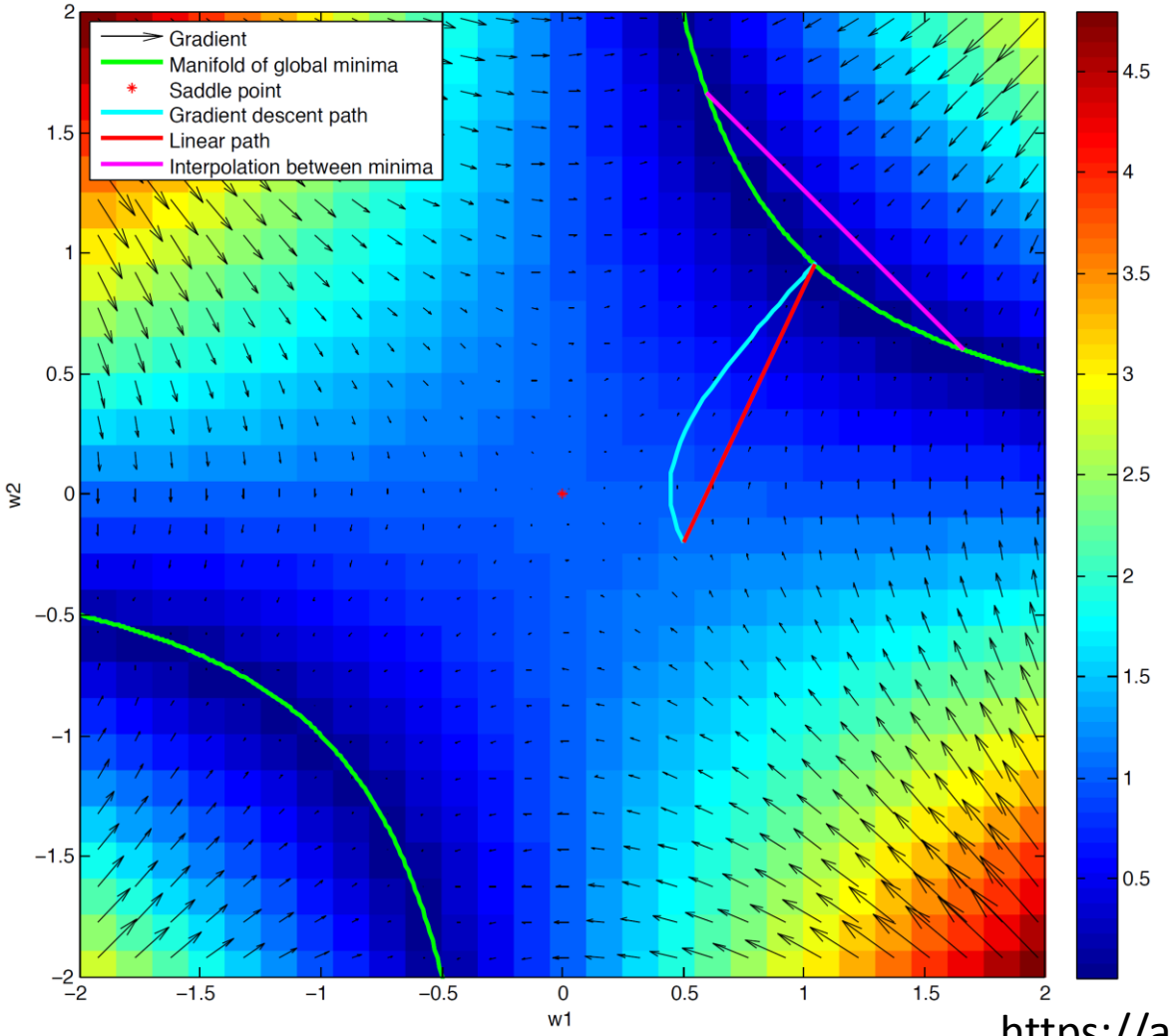
Deep Linear Network





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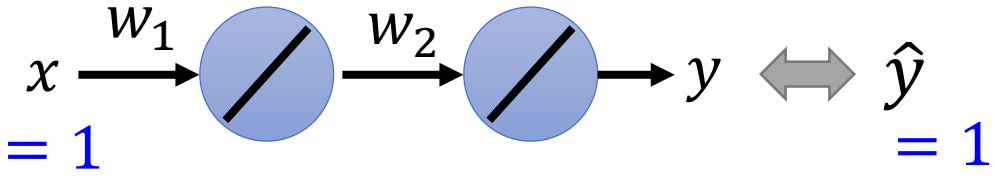
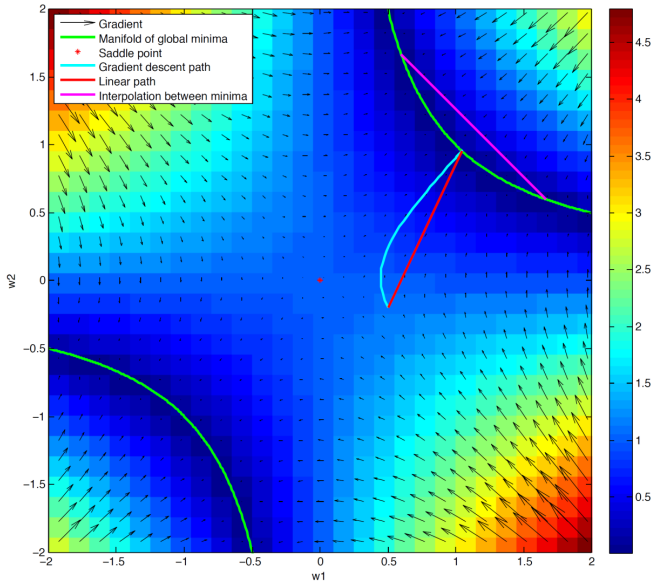




$$L = (\hat{y} - w_1 w_2 x)^2 = (1 - w_1 w_2)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} = 2(1 - w_1 w_2)(-w_2)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_2} = 2(1 - w_1 w_2)(-w_1)$$

The probability of stuck as saddle point is almost zero.

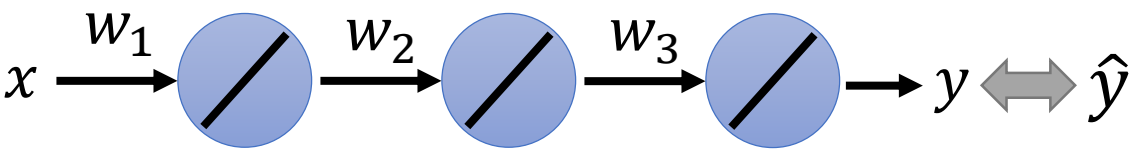
Easy to escape

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial {w_1}^2} = 2(-w_2)(-w_2) \qquad \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial w_1 \partial w_2} = -2 + 4 w_1 w_2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial w_2 \partial w_1} = -2 + 4 w_1 w_2 \qquad \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial {w_2}^2} = 2(-w_1)(-w_1)$$

2-hidden layers

$$L = (1 - w_1 w_2 w_3)^2$$



$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} = 2(1 - w_1 w_2 w_3)(-w_2 w_3)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_2} = 2(1 - w_1 w_2 w_3)(-w_1 w_3)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_3} = 2(1 - w_1 w_2 w_3)(-w_1 w_2)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial {w_1}^2} = 2(-w_2 w_3)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial w_2 \partial w_1} = -2w_3 + 4w_1 w_2 (w_3)^2$$

All minima are global, some critical points are “bad”.

$w_1 w_2 w_3 = 1$ global minima

$w_1 = w_2 = w_3 = 0$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

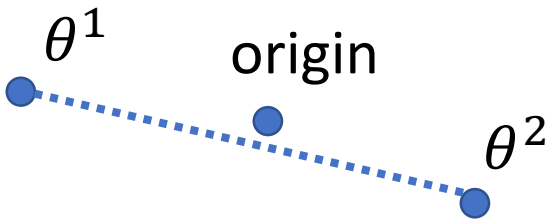
So flat

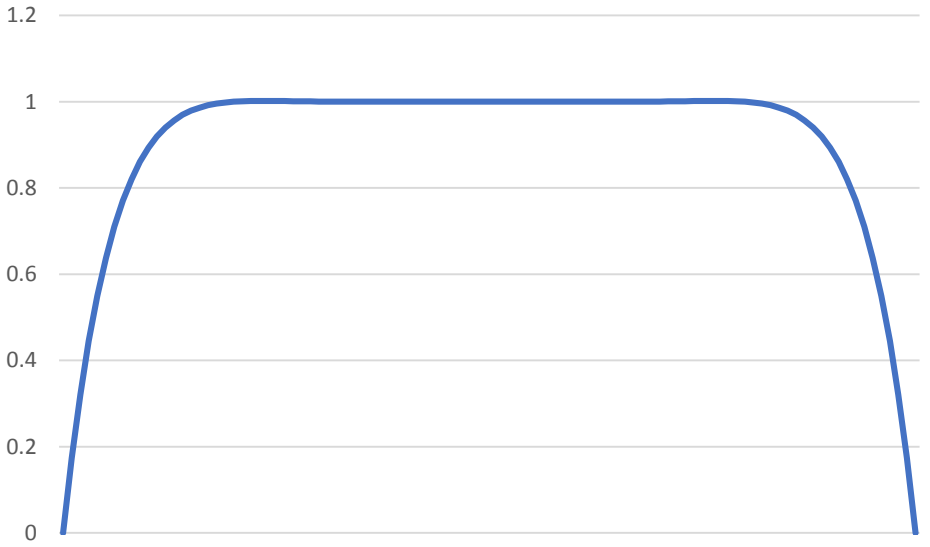
$w_1 = w_2 = 0, w_3 = k$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Saddle point

10 hidden layers

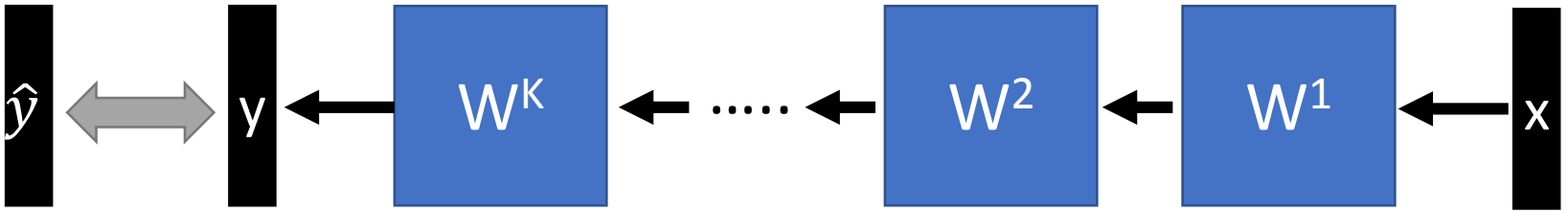




10-hidden layers

Demo

Deep Linear Network



$$y = W^K W^{K-1} \cdots W^2 W^1 x \qquad L = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x^n - \hat{y}^n)^2$$

Hidden layer size $\geq$ Input dim, output dim

More than two hidden layers can produce saddle point without negative eigenvalues.

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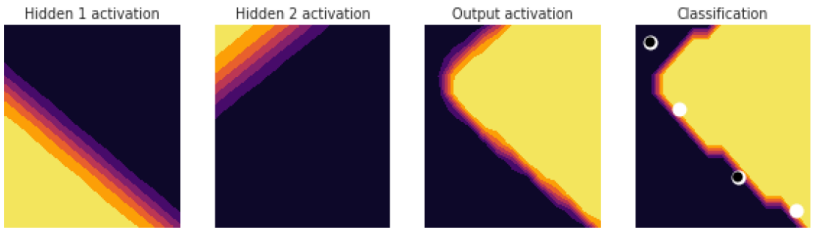
Non-linear Deep Network

Dose it have local minima?

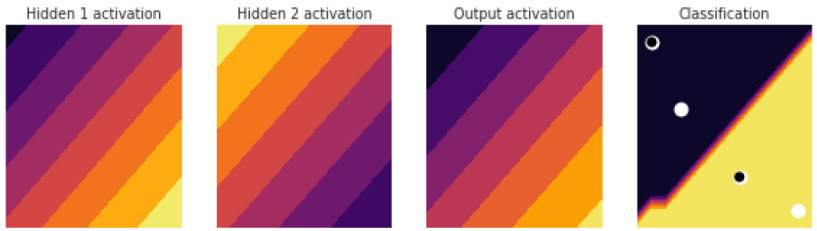
證明事情不存在很難，證明事情存在相對容易

Even Simple Task can be Difficult

h		XOR ReLU	XOR Sigmoid	Jellyfish ReLU	Jellyfish Sigmoid		XOR ReLU	XOR Sigmoid	Jellyfish ReLU	Jellyfish Sigmoid
2	Adam	28%	79%	7%	0%	GD	23%	90%	16%	62%
3	Adam	52%	98%	34%	0%	GD	47%	100%	33%	100%
4	Adam	68%	100%	50%	2%	GD	70%	100%	66%	100%
5	Adam	81%	100%	51%	27%	GD	80%	100%	68%	100%
6	Adam	91%	100%	61%	17%	GD	89%	100%	69%	100%
7	Adam	97%	100%	69%	58%	GD	89%	100%	86%	100%

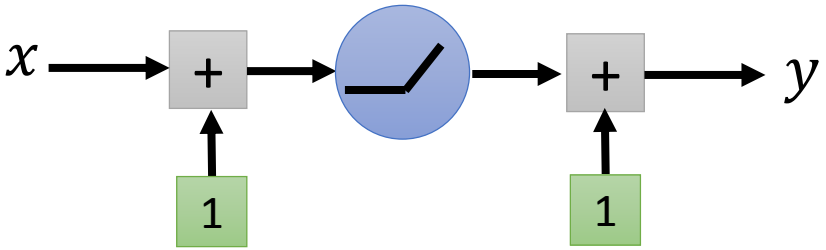


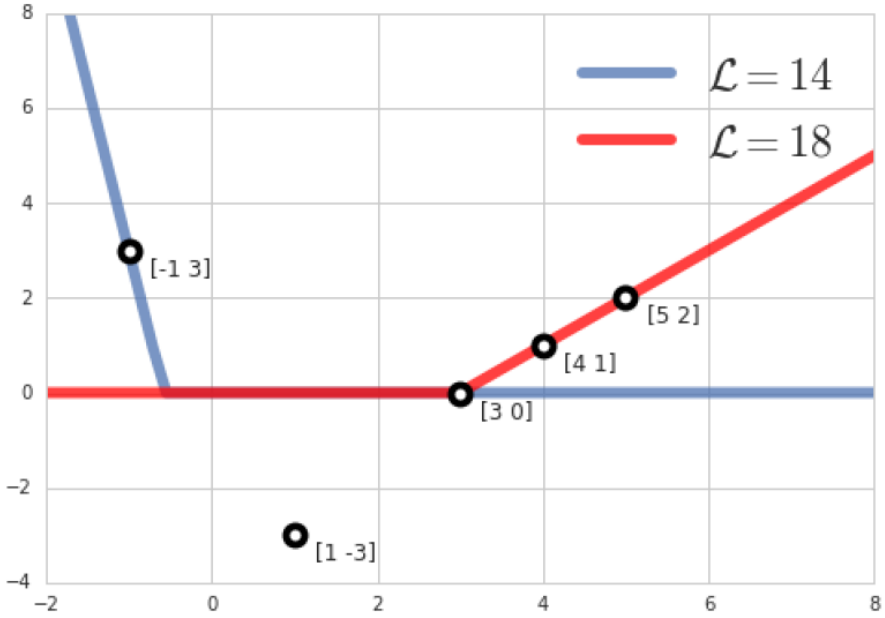
(a) Optimally converged net for Jellyfish.



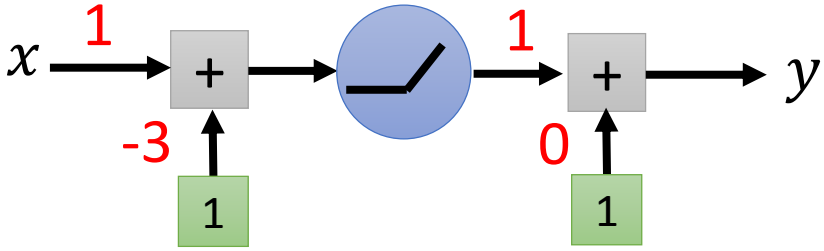
(b) Stuck net for Jellyfish.

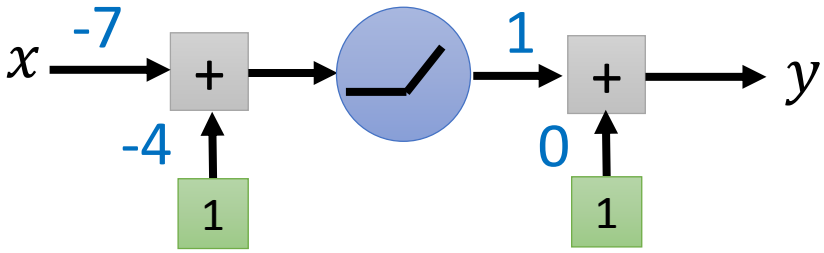
ReLU has local





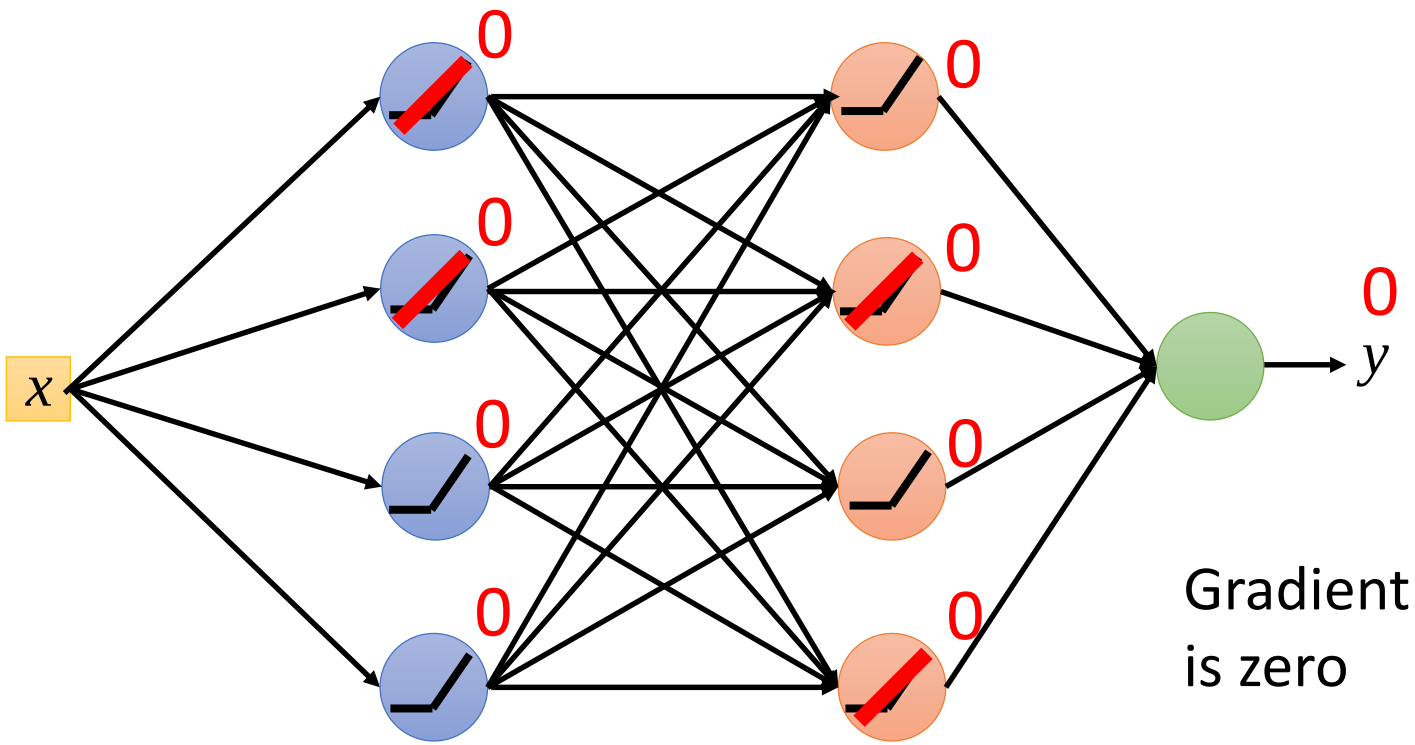
(-1.3) (1,-3) (3,0) (4,1) (5,2)





This relu network has local minima.

“Blind Spot” of ReLU

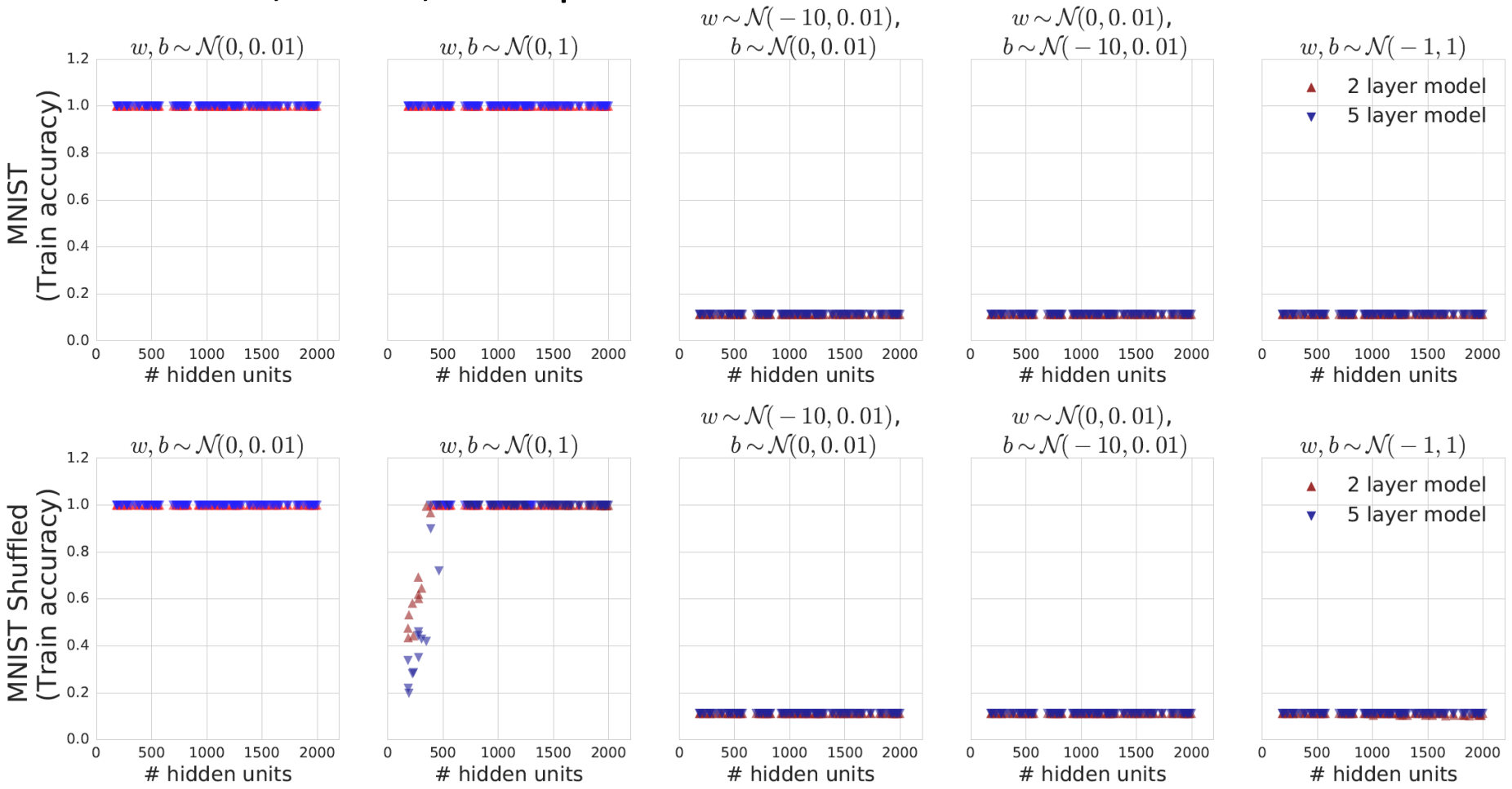


It is pretty easy to make this happens ……

“Blind Spot” of ReLU

Consider your initialization

- MNIST, Adam, 1M updates

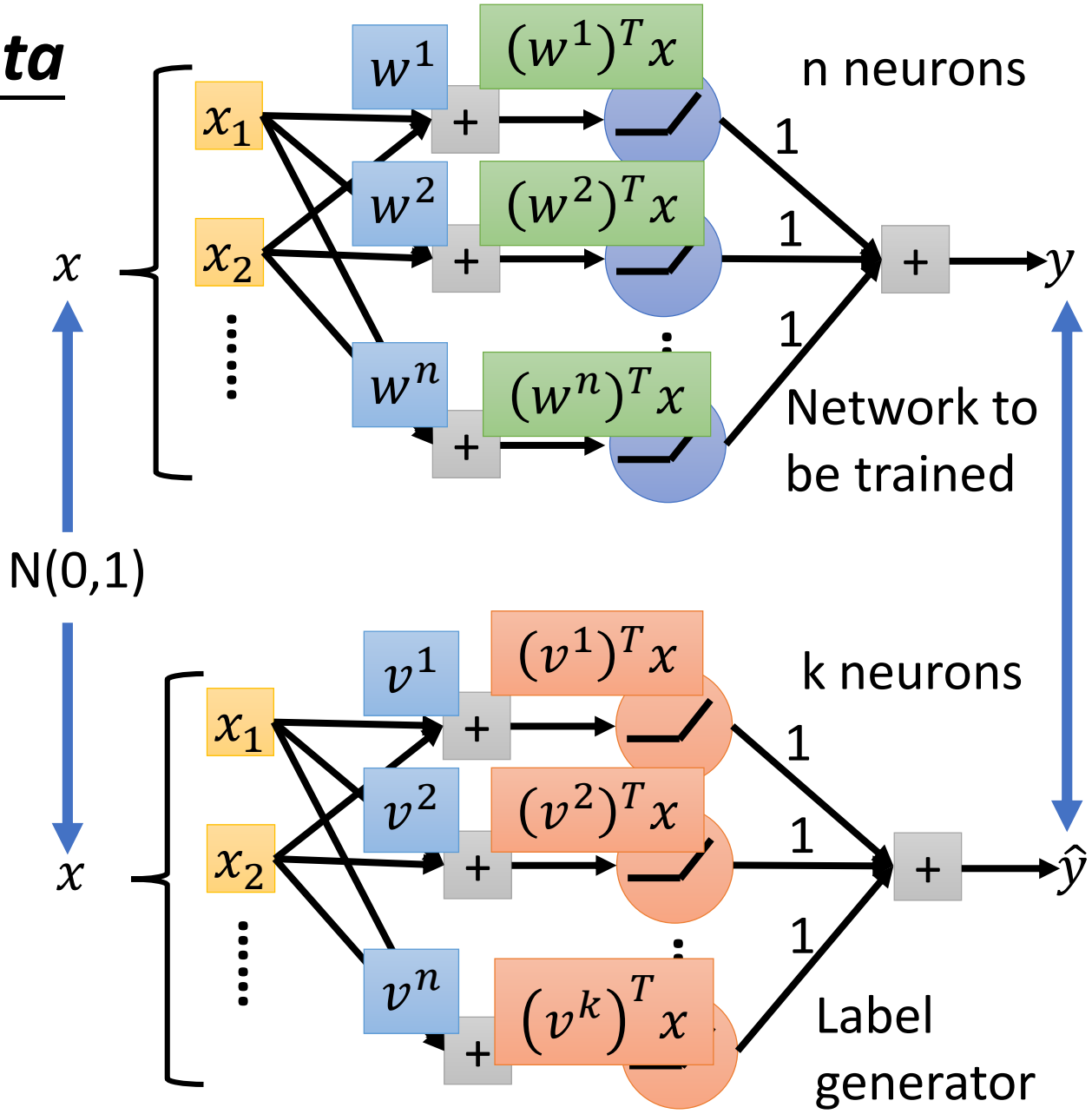


Considering Data

If $n \geq k$ and $w^i = v^i$

We obtain global minima

The number of k and n matters



Considering Data

Table 1: Spurious local minima found for $n = k$

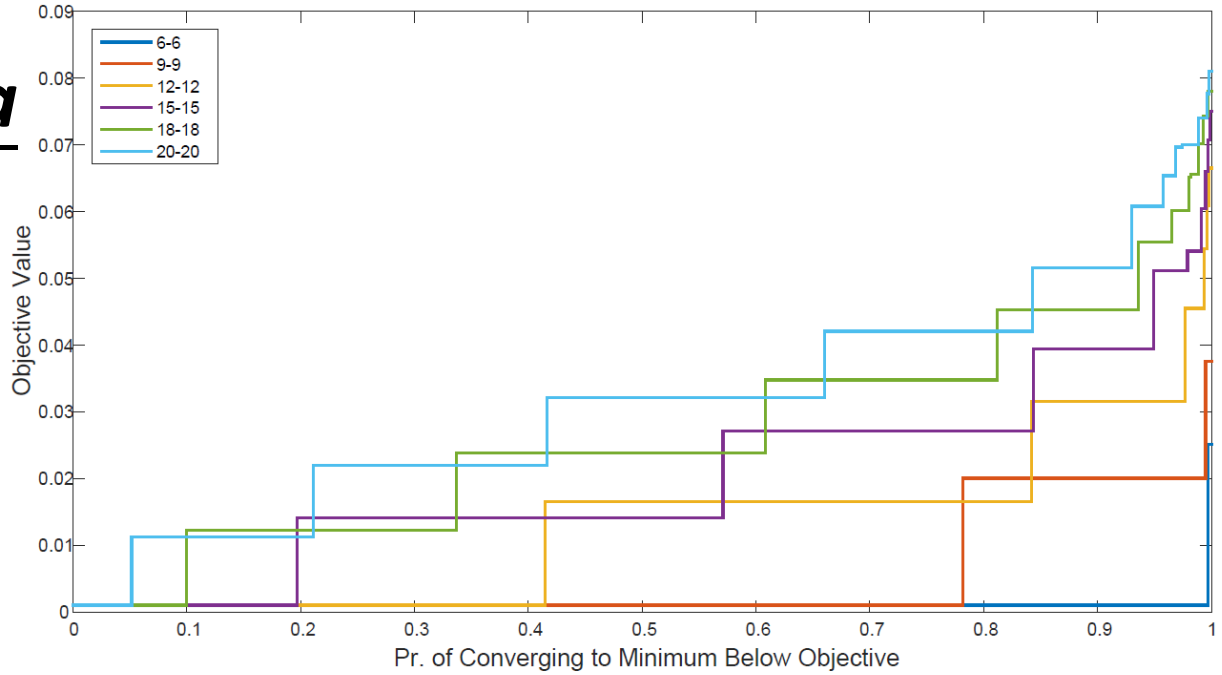
k	n	% of runs converging to local minima	Average minimal eigenvalue	Average objective value
6	6	0.3%	0.0047	0.025
7	7	5.5%	0.014	0.023
8	8	12.6%	0.021	0.021
9	9	21.8%	0.027	0.02
10	10	34.6%	0.03	0.022
11	11	45.5%	0.034	0.022
12	12	58.5%	0.035	0.021
13	13	73%	0.037	0.022
14	14	73.6%	0.038	0.023
15	15	80.3%	0.038	0.024
16	16	85.1%	0.038	0.027
17	17	89.7%	0.039	0.027
18	18	90%	0.039	0.029
19	19	93.4%	0.038	0.031
20	20	94%	0.038	0.033

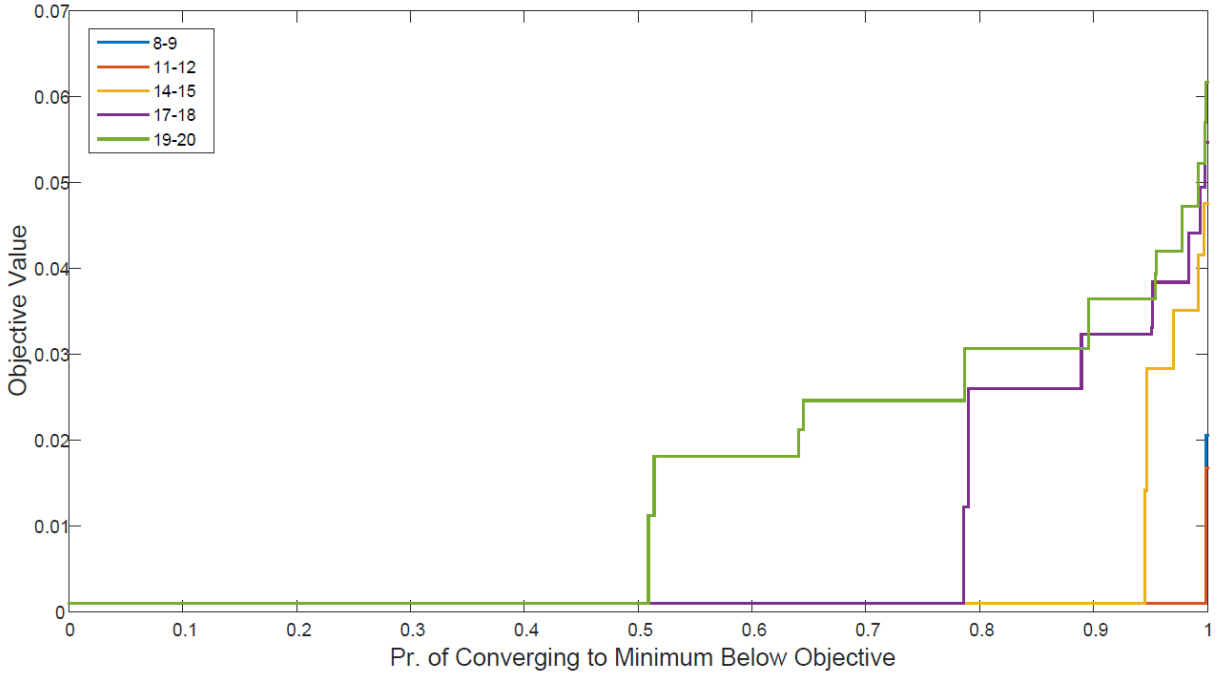
Table 2: Spurious local minima found for $n \neq k$

k	n	% of runs converging to local minima	Average minimal eigenvalue	Average objective value
8	9	0.1%	0.0059	0.021
10	11	0.1%	0.0057	0.018
11	12	0.1%	0.0056	0.017
12	13	0.3%	0.0054	0.016
13	14	1.5%	0.0015	0.038
14	15	5.5%	0.002	0.033
15	16	10.1%	0.004	0.032
16	17	18%	0.0055	0.031
17	18	20.9%	0.007	0.031
18	19	36.9%	0.0064	0.028
19	20	49.1%	0.0077	0.027

No local for $n \geq k + 2$

Considering Data





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The theory should looks like …

Under some conditions (initialization, data, ……),

We can find global optimal.

Conjecture about Deep Learning

Almost all local minimum have very similar loss to the global optimum, and hence finding a local minimum is good enough.

Analyzing Hessian

- When we meet a critical point, it can be saddle point or local minima.
- Analyzing H

If the network has N parameters

v_1	v_2	v_3	……	v_N
λ_1	λ_2	λ_3	……	λ_N

We assume λ has 1/2 (?) to be positive, 1/2 (?) to be negative.

Analyzing Hessian

- If N=1: v_1 λ_1

  1/2 local minima, 1/2 local maxima,
  Saddle point is almost impossible

- If N=2: v_1 v_2 λ_1 λ_2

  + + - -
  1/4 local minima, 1/4 local maxima,
  1/2 Saddle points
  + -, - +

- If N=10:

  1/1024 local minima, 1/1024 local maxima,
  Almost every critical point is saddle point

When a network is very large,

It is almost impossible to meet a local minima.

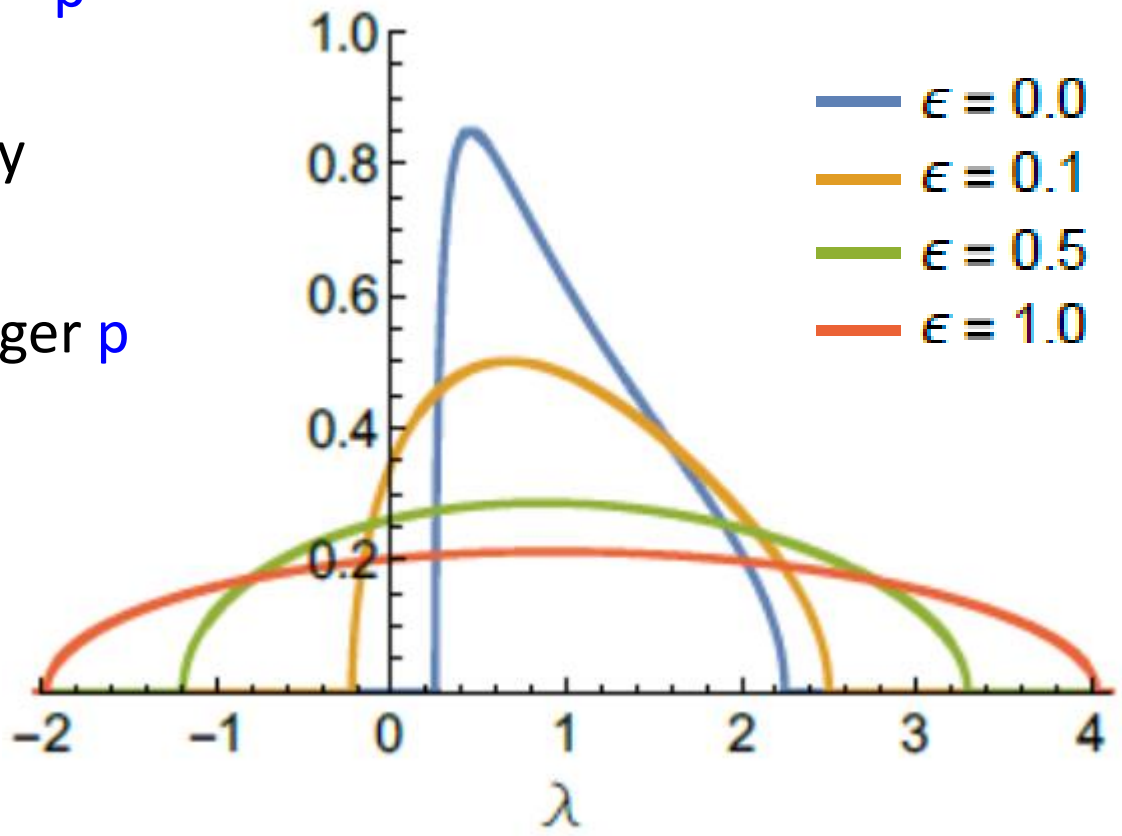
Saddle point is what you need to worry about.

Error v.s. Eigenvalues

We assume λ has ~~1/2 (?)~~ p to be negative.

p is a probability related to error

Larger error, larger p



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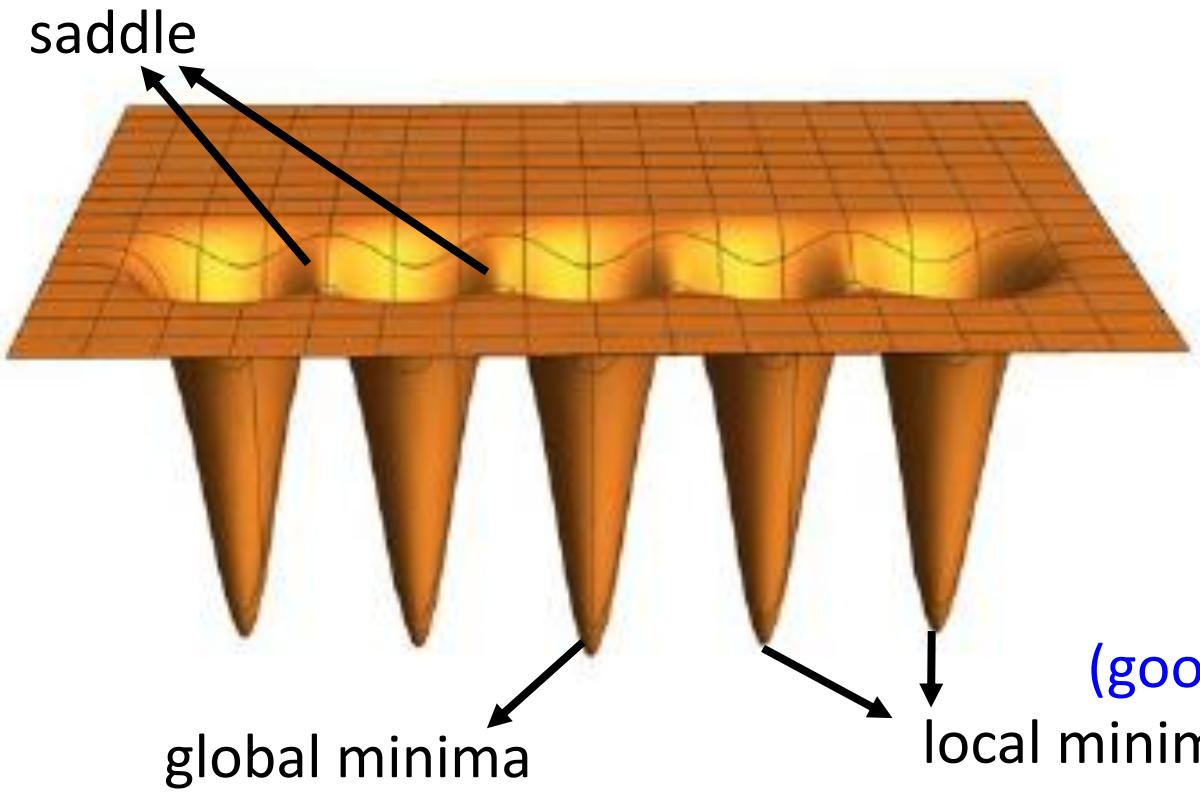
Guess about Error Surface



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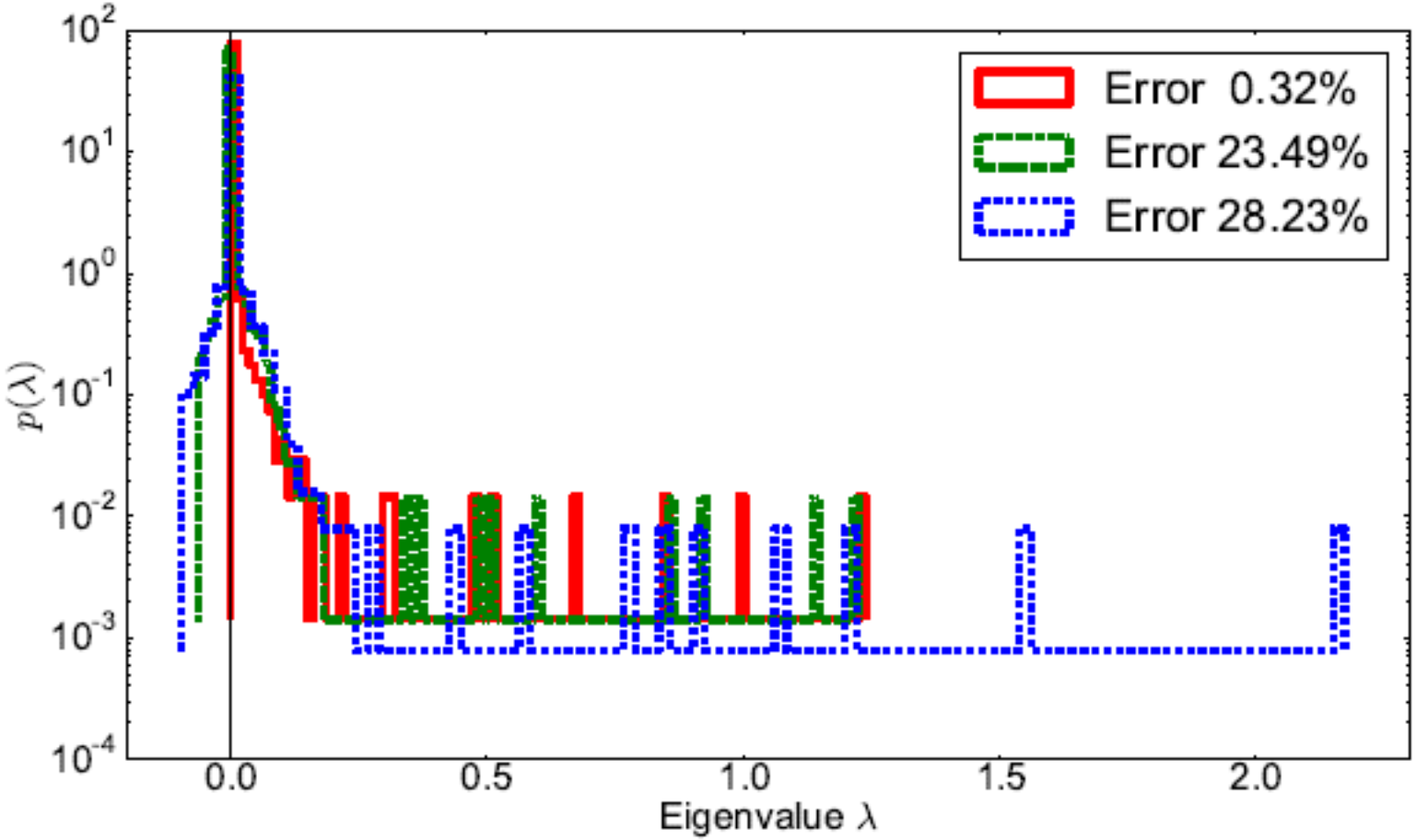
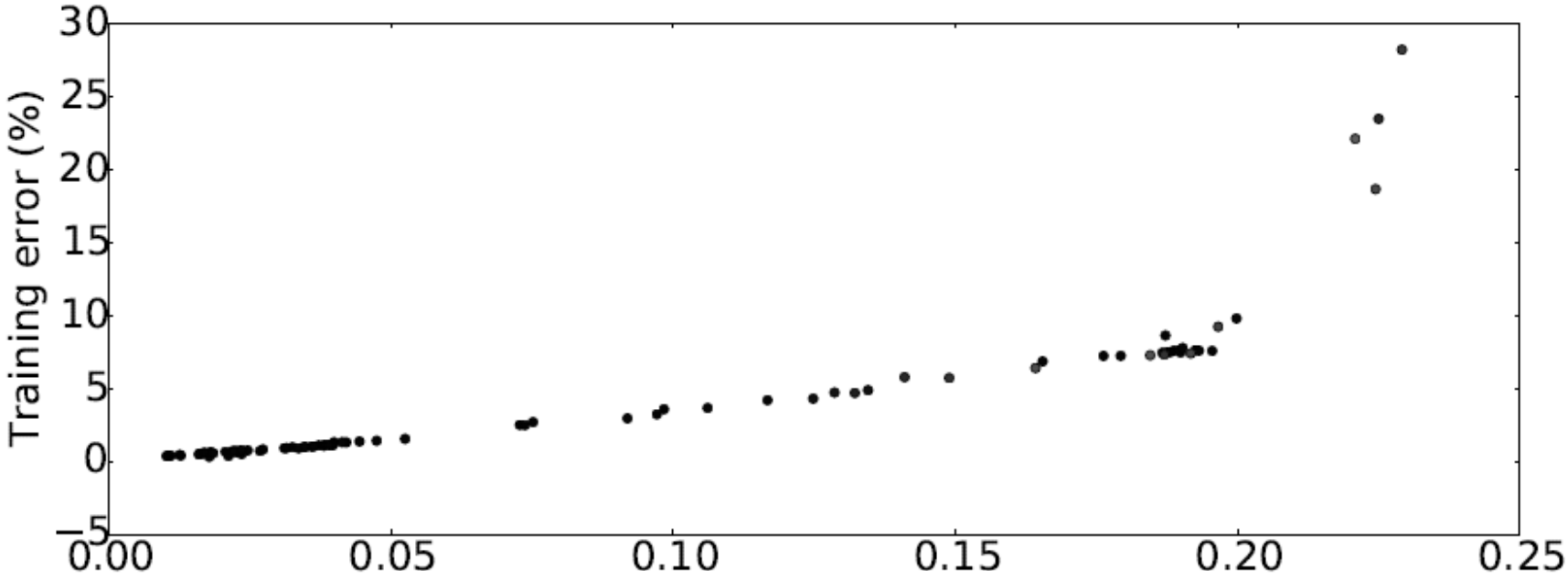
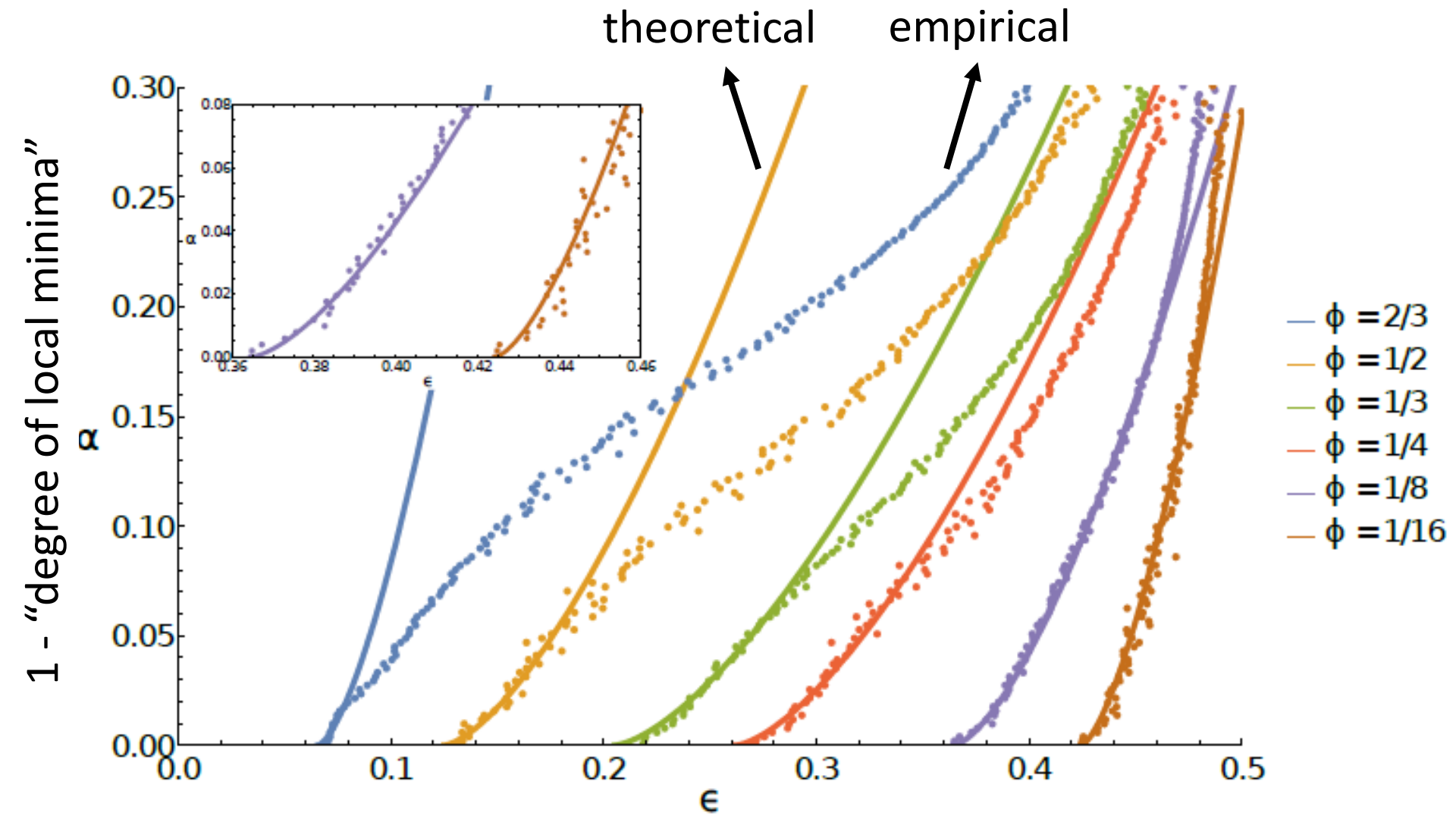
Training Error v.s. Eigenvalues



Training Error v.s. Eigenvalues

Portion of positive eigenvalues → "Degree of Local Minima"



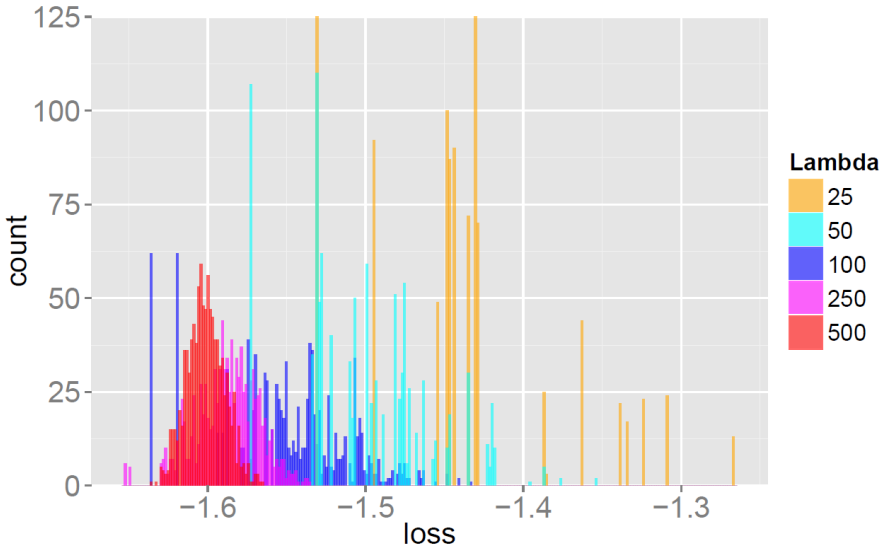


1 - "degree of local minima"
(portion of negative eigen values)

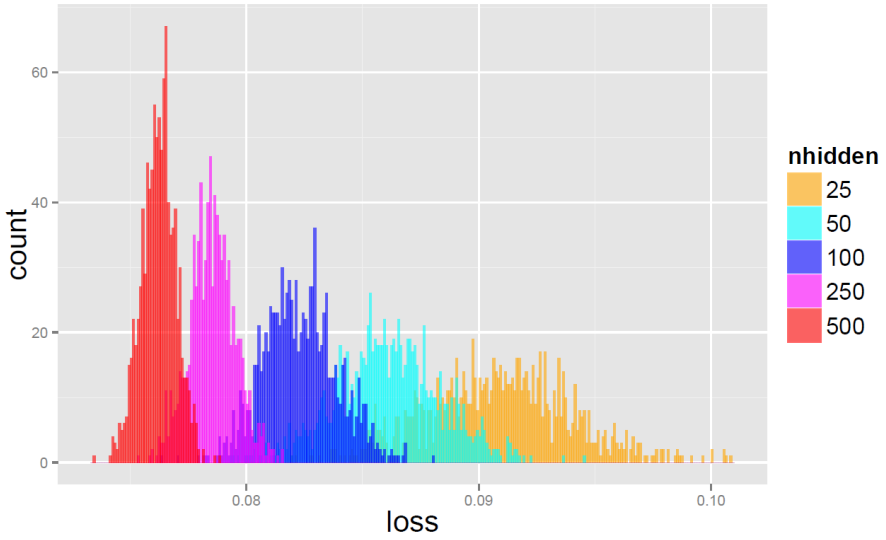
$$\alpha \propto \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{c} - 1\right)^{3/2}$$

Spin Glass v.s. Deep Learning

- Deep learning is the same as spin glass model with ***7 assumptions***.



spin glass model



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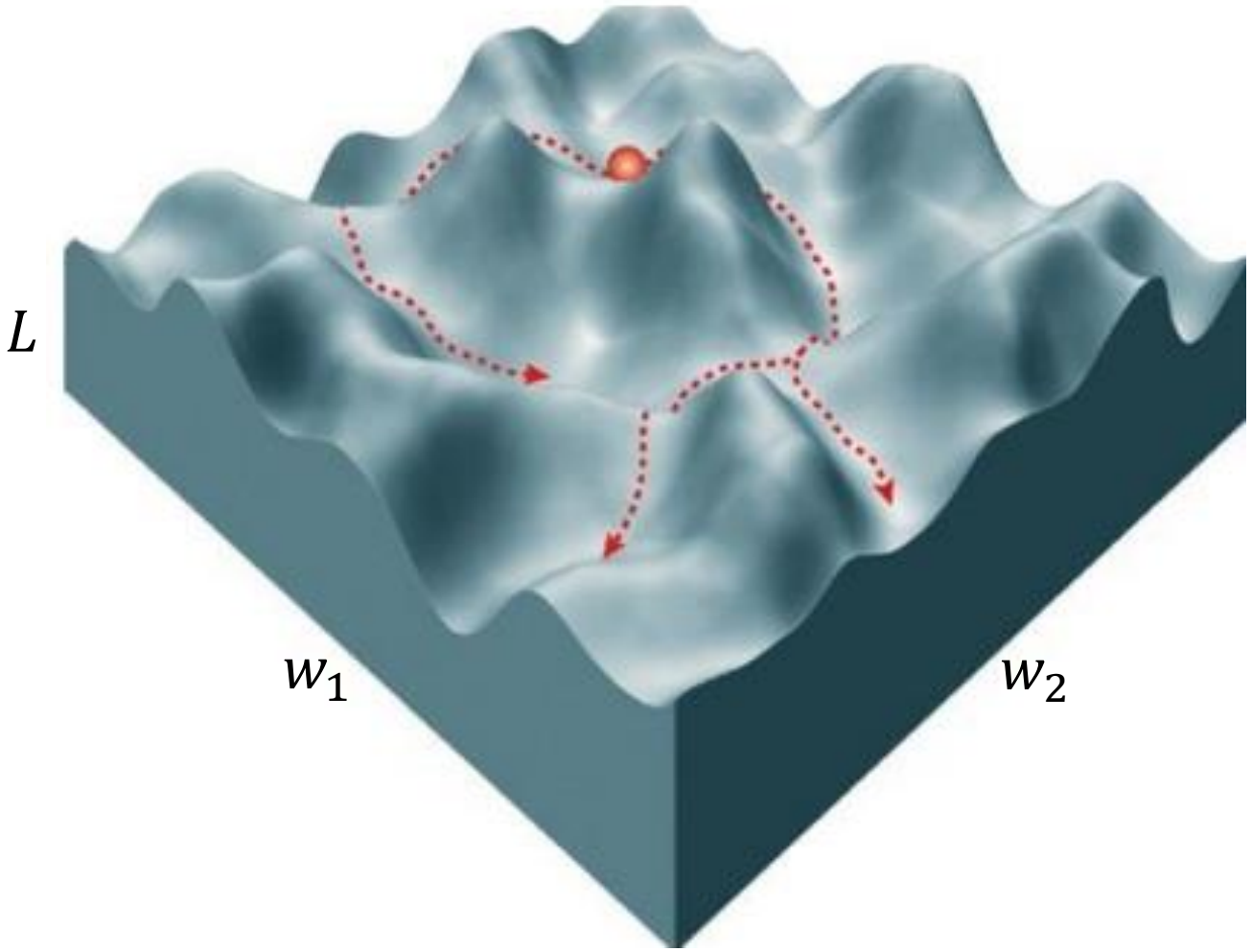
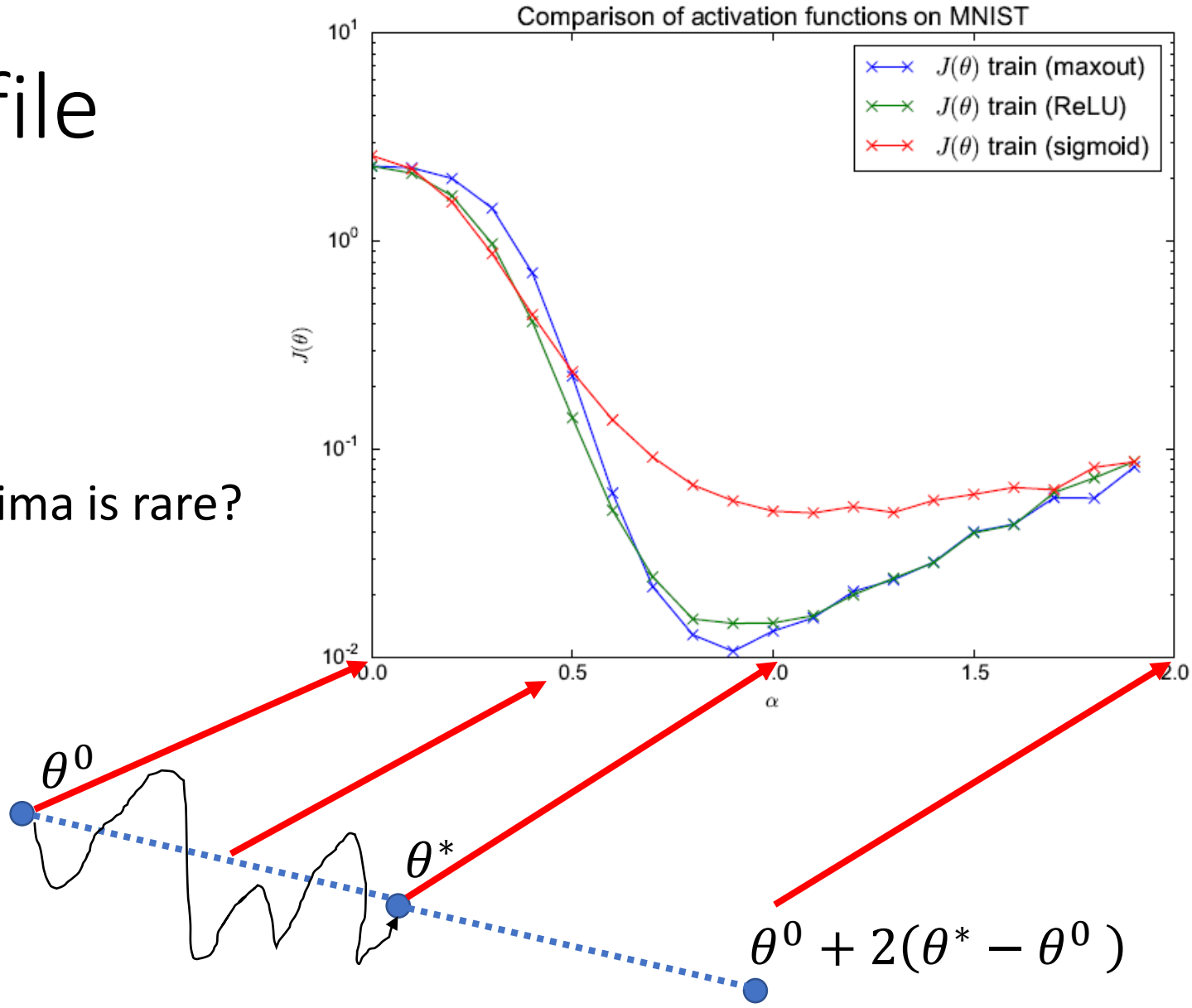
What does the Error Surface look like?

Error Surface



Profile

local minima is rare?



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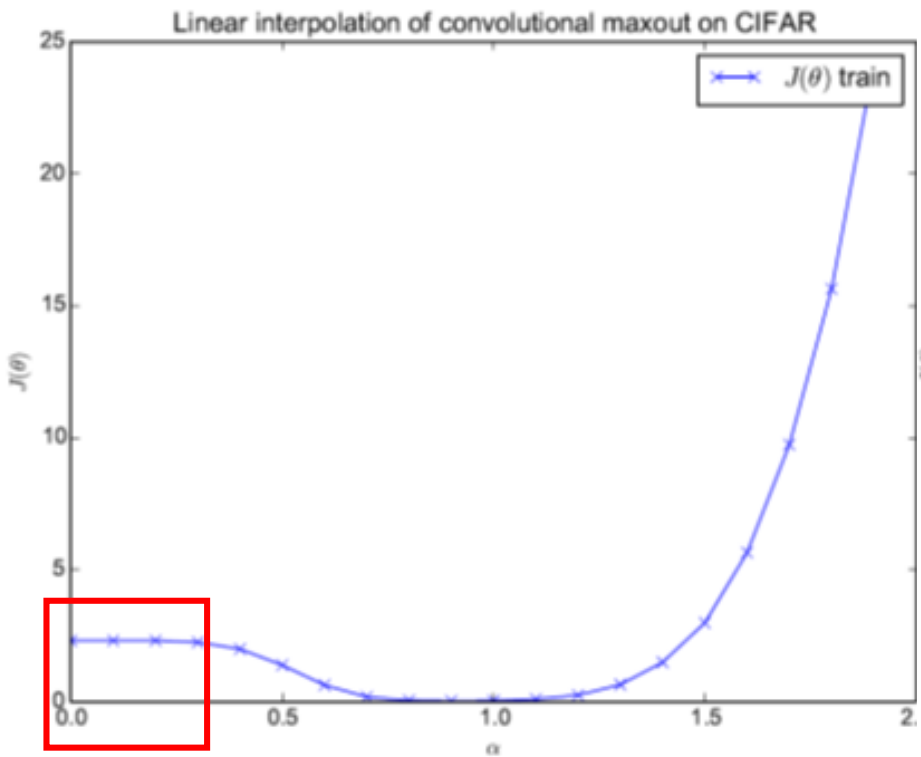
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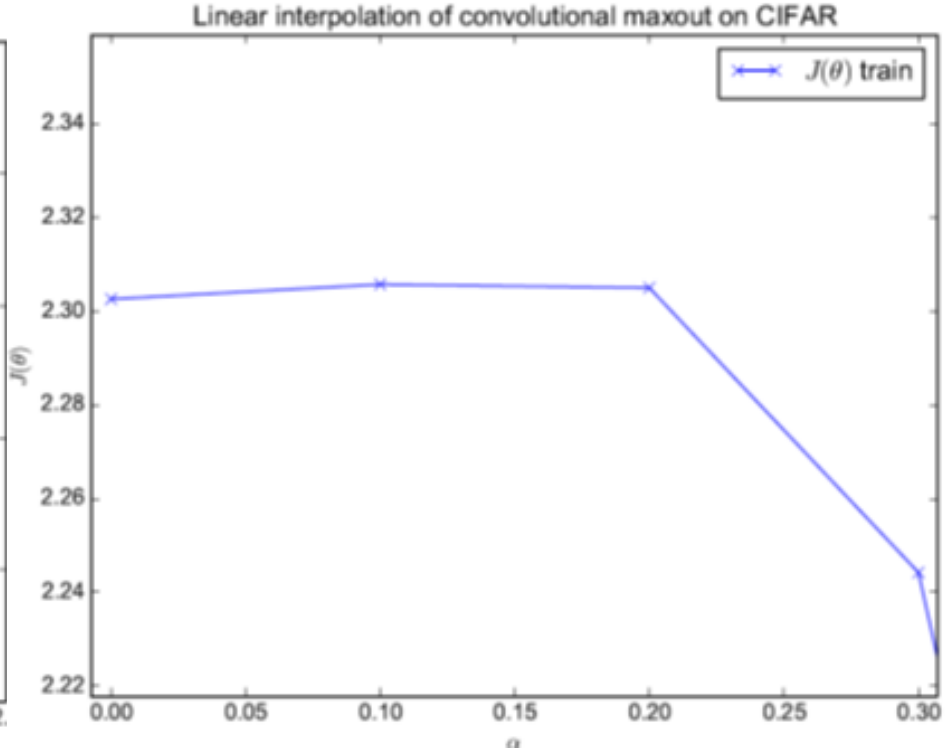
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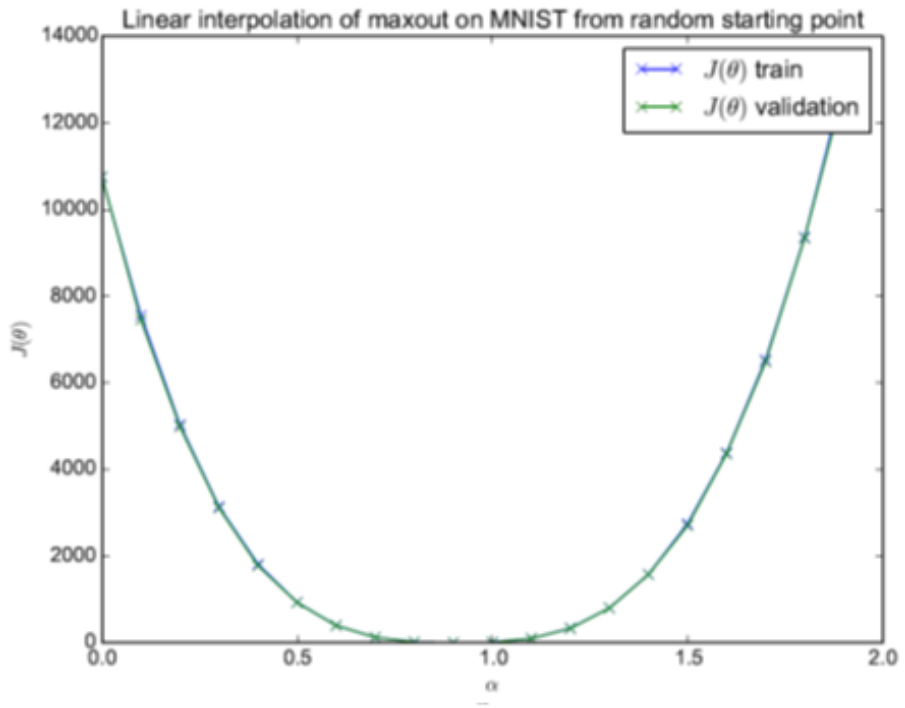
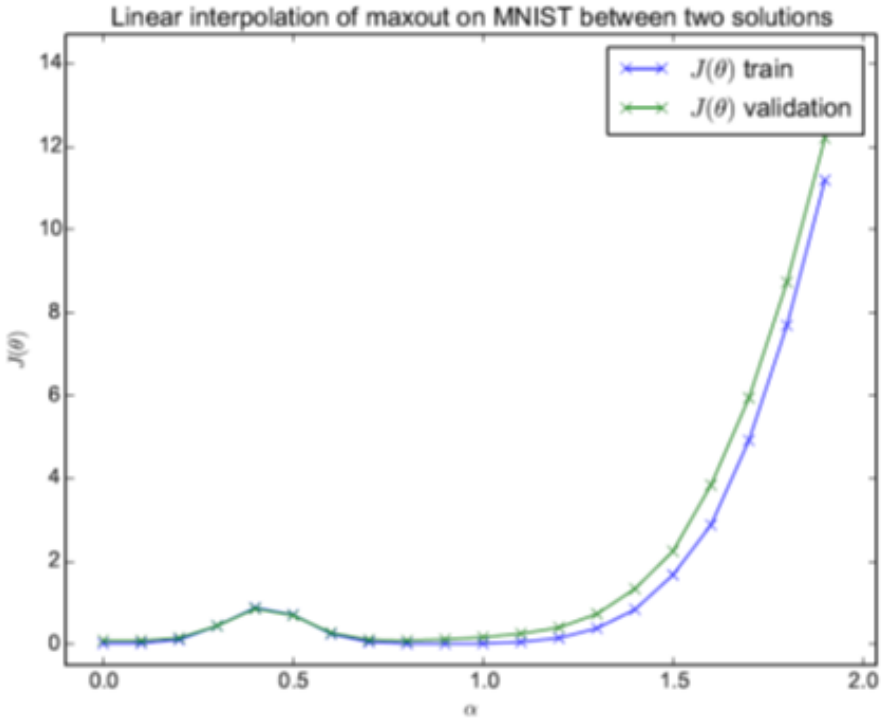
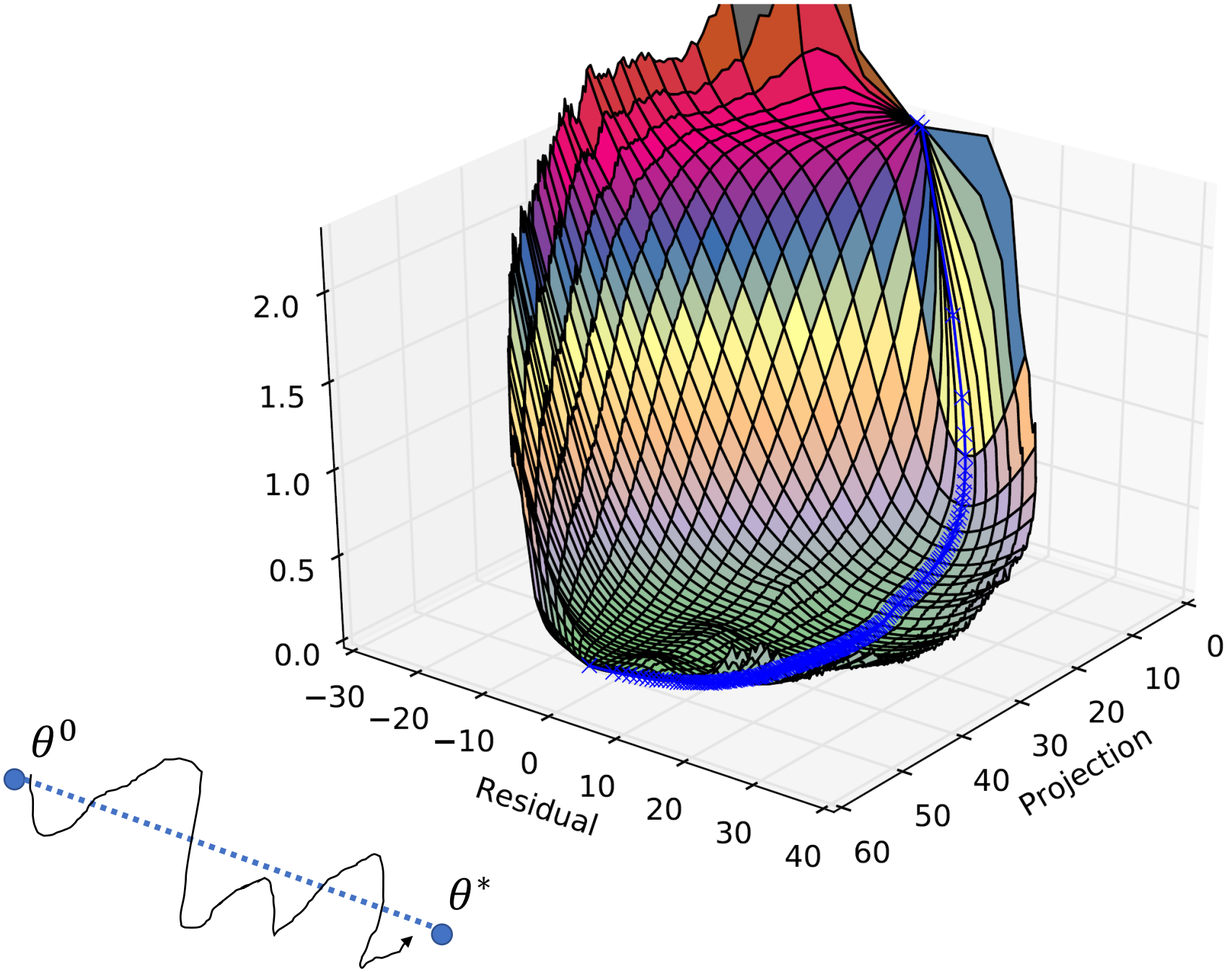


two random starting points



two “solutions”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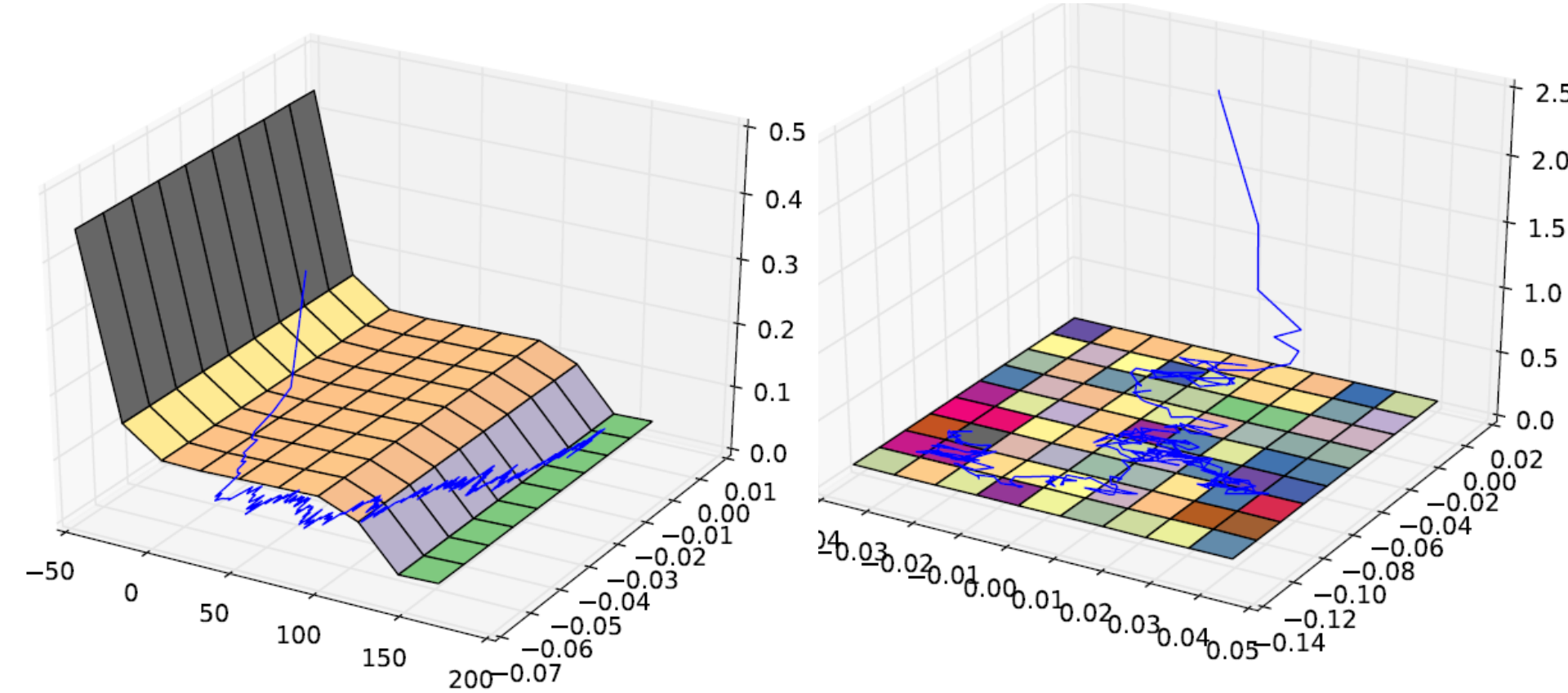
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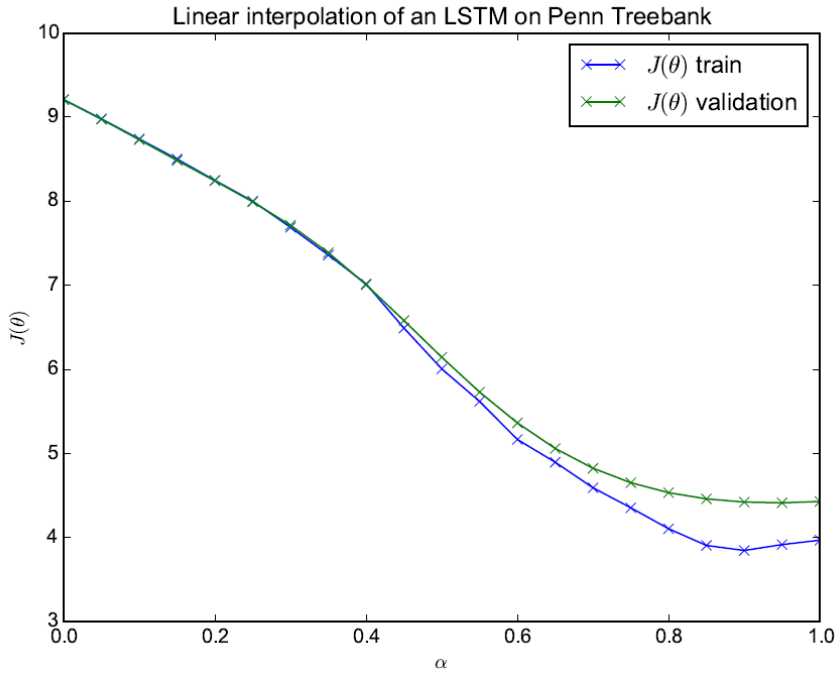
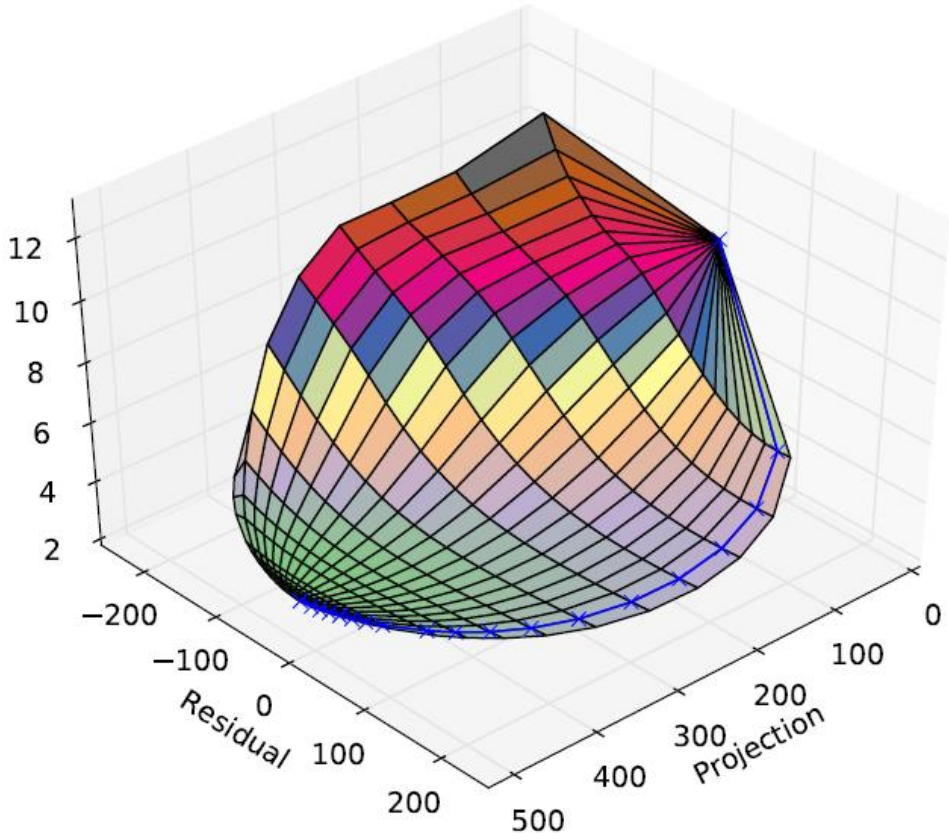
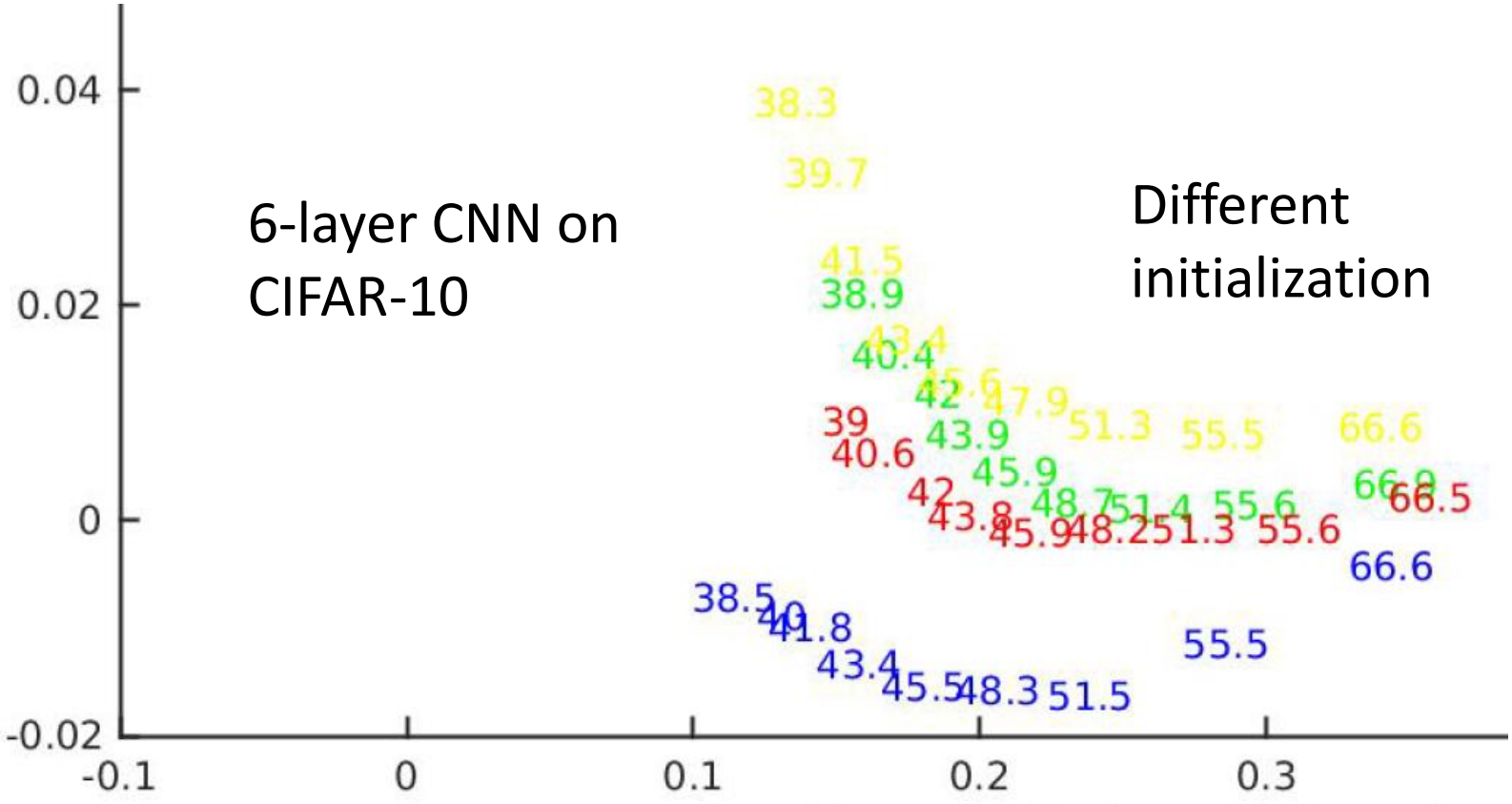
Profile - LSTM





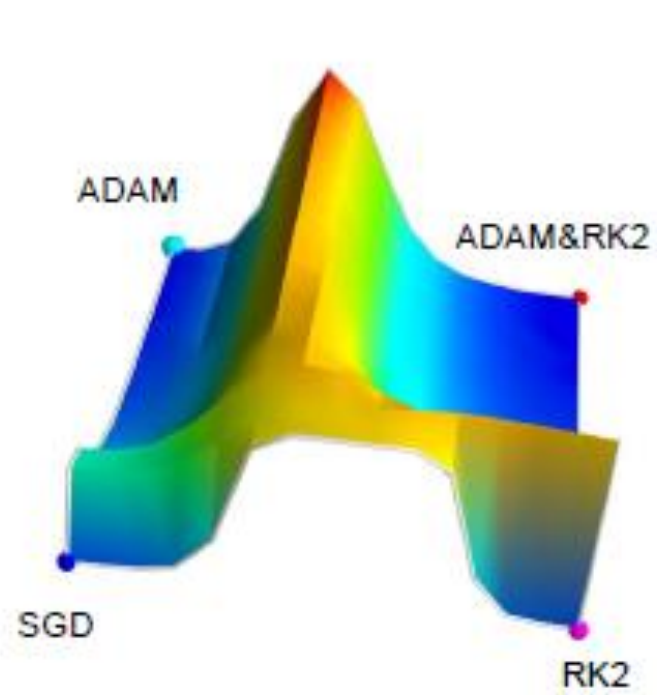
Training Processing

Different initialization / different strategies usually lead to similar loss (there are some exceptions).

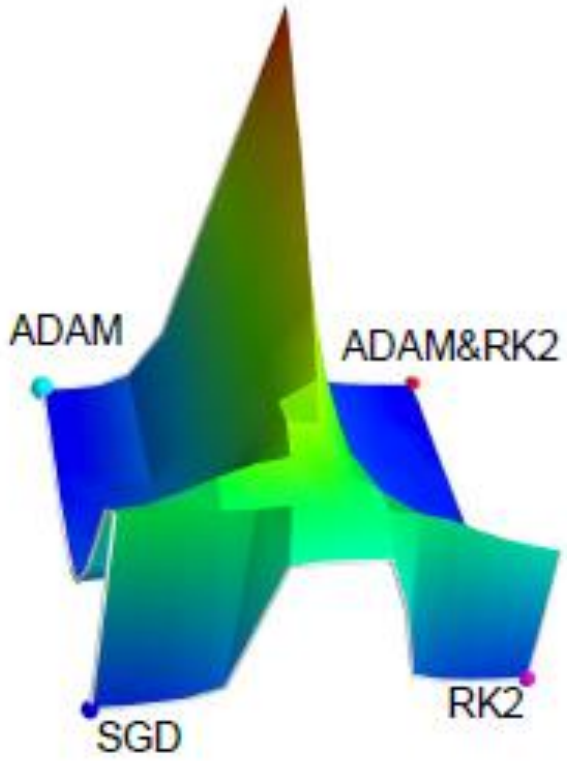


Training Processing

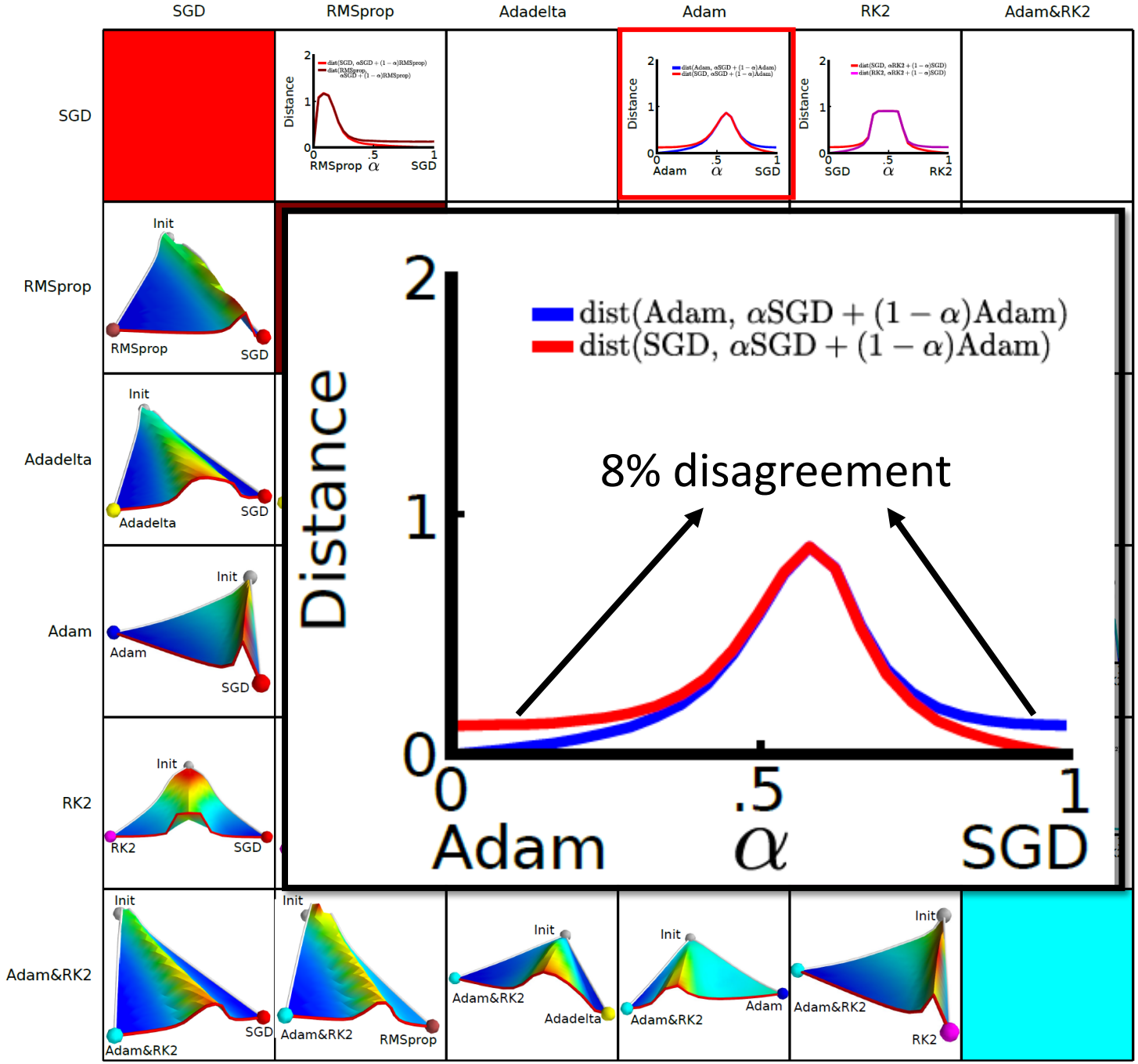
- Different strategies (the same initialization)



(a) NIN, CIFAR10



(b) VGG, CIFAR10



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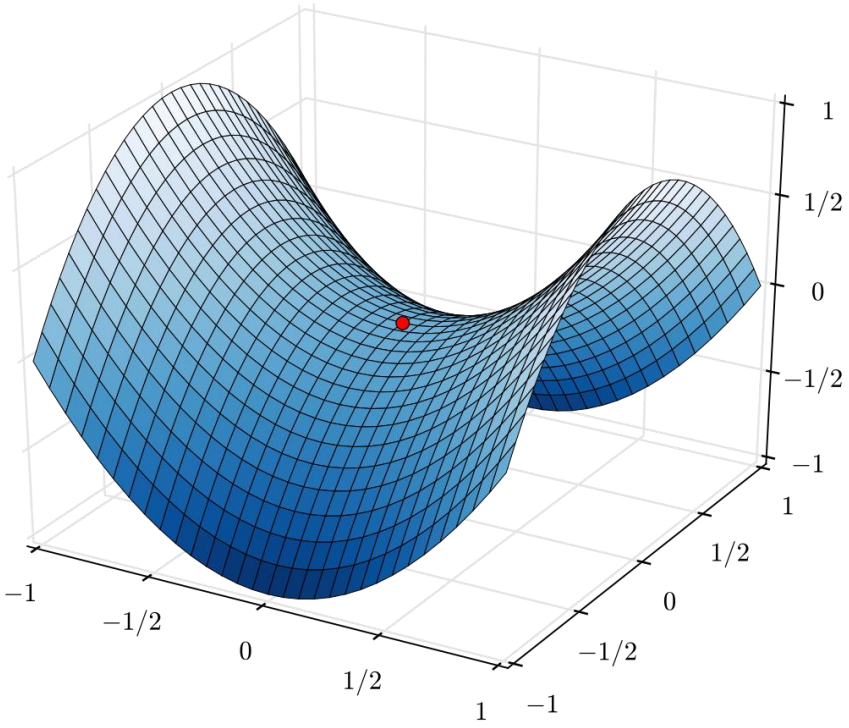

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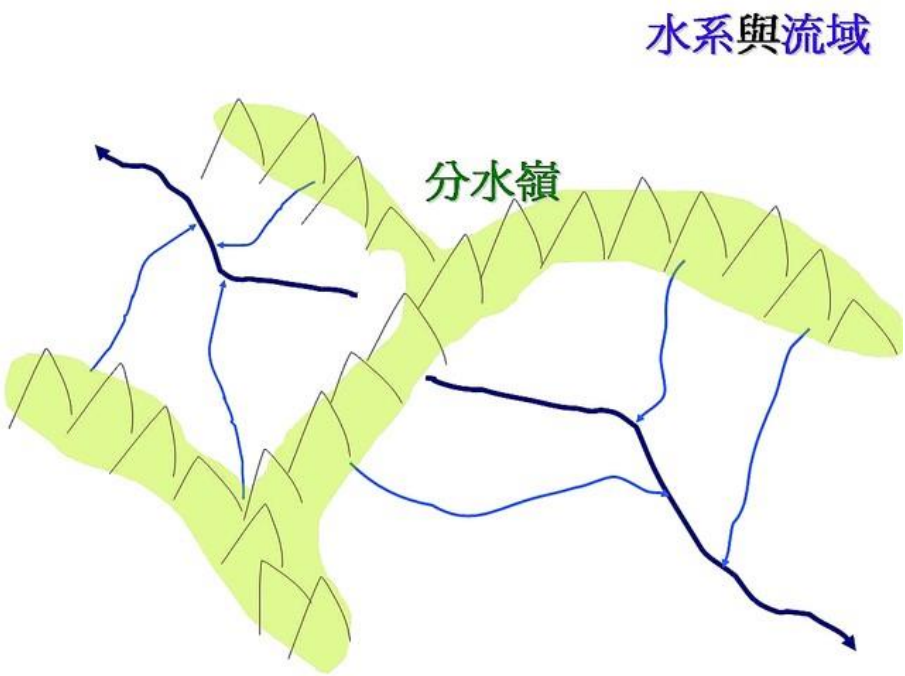
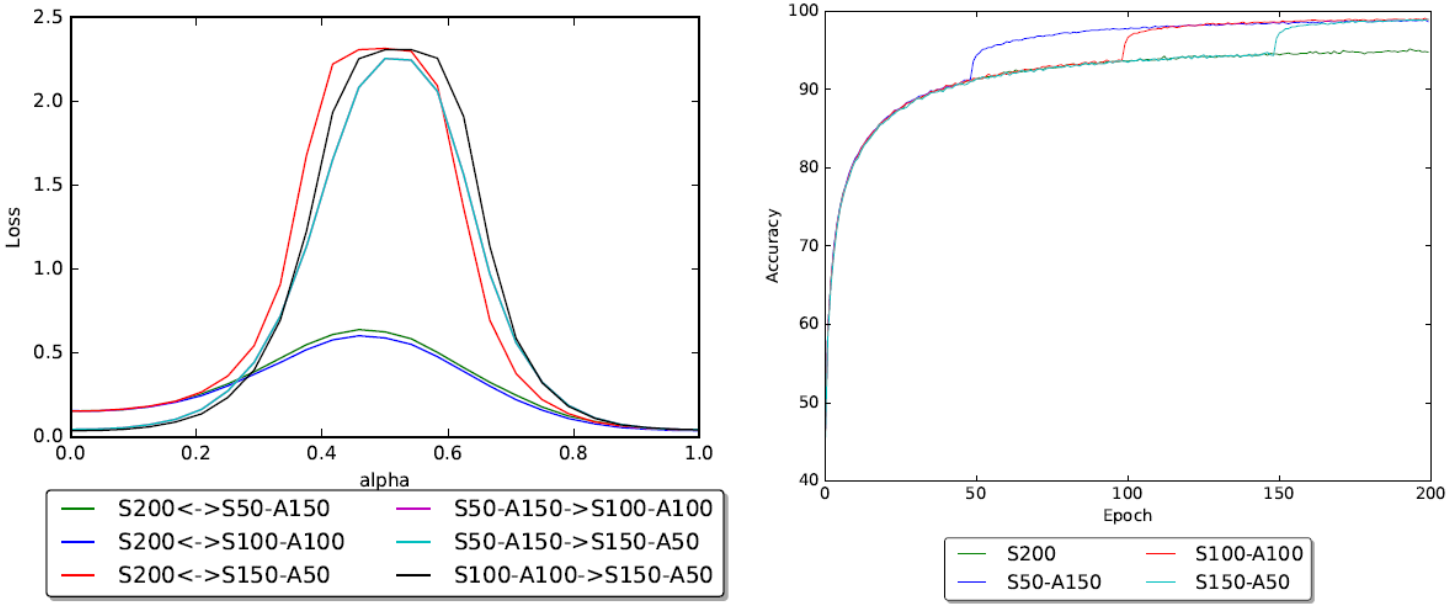


Different training strategies

Different basins

Training Processing

- Training strategies make difference at all stages of training



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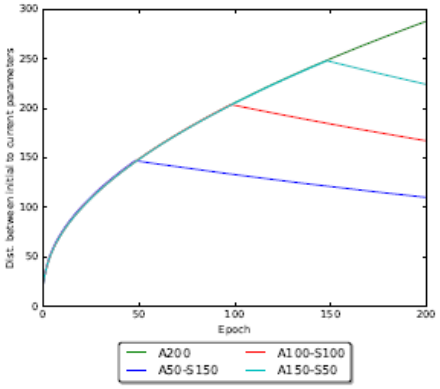

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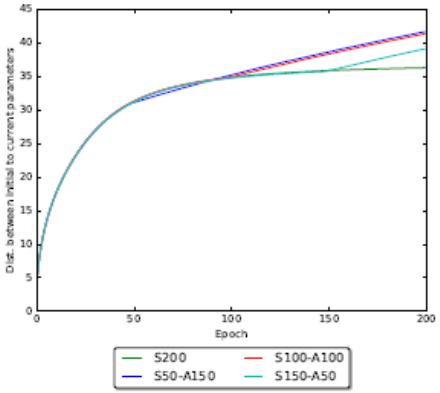

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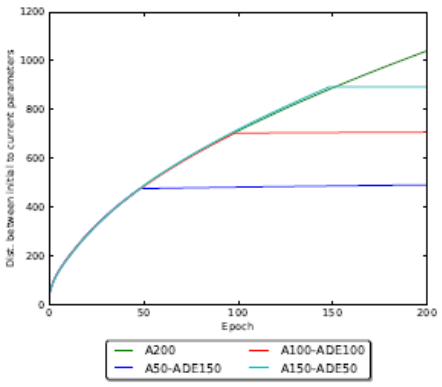

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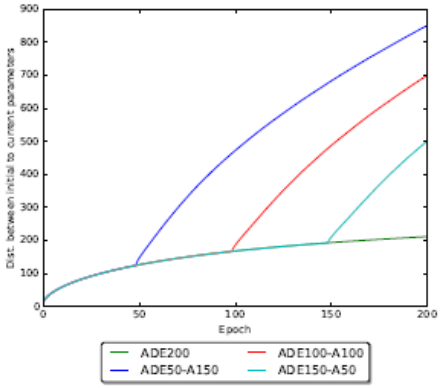

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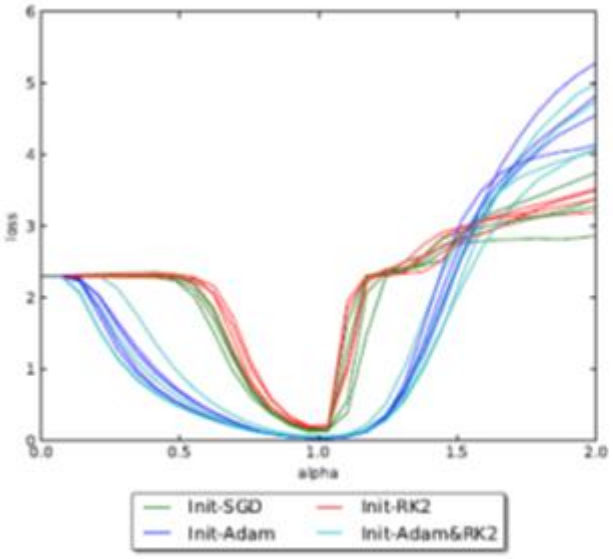

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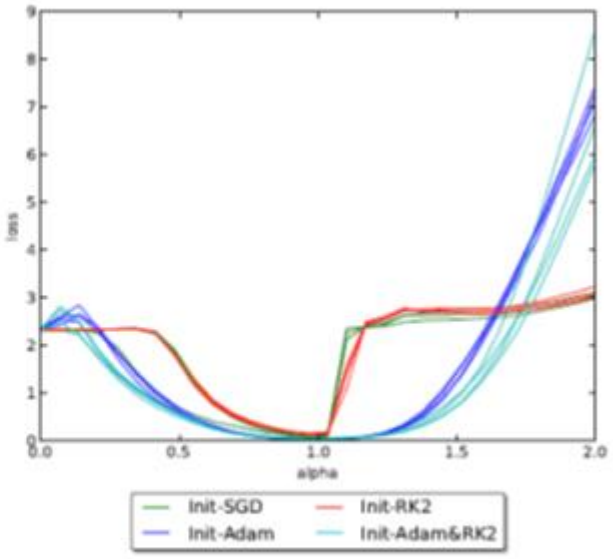

(b) CIFAR10, VGG

Larger basin for Adam

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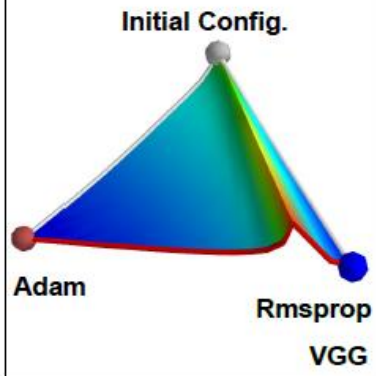
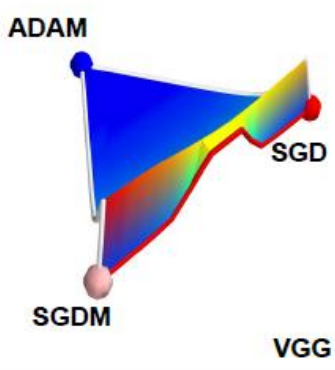
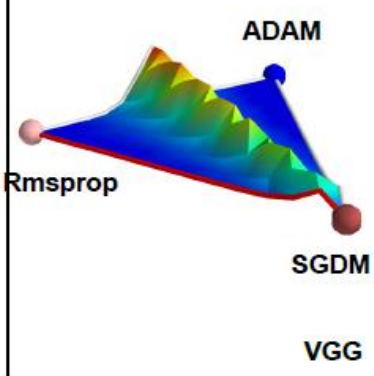
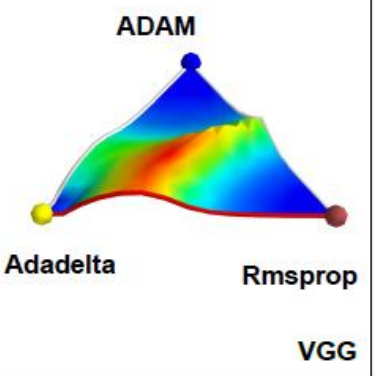
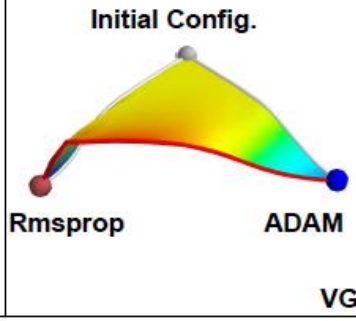
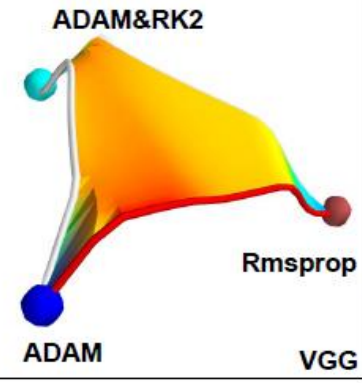
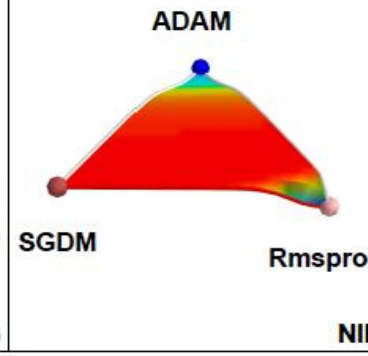
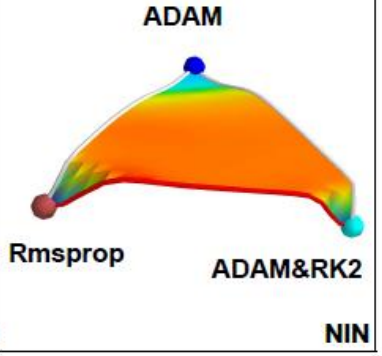
With Batch Normalization				
Without Batch Normalization				

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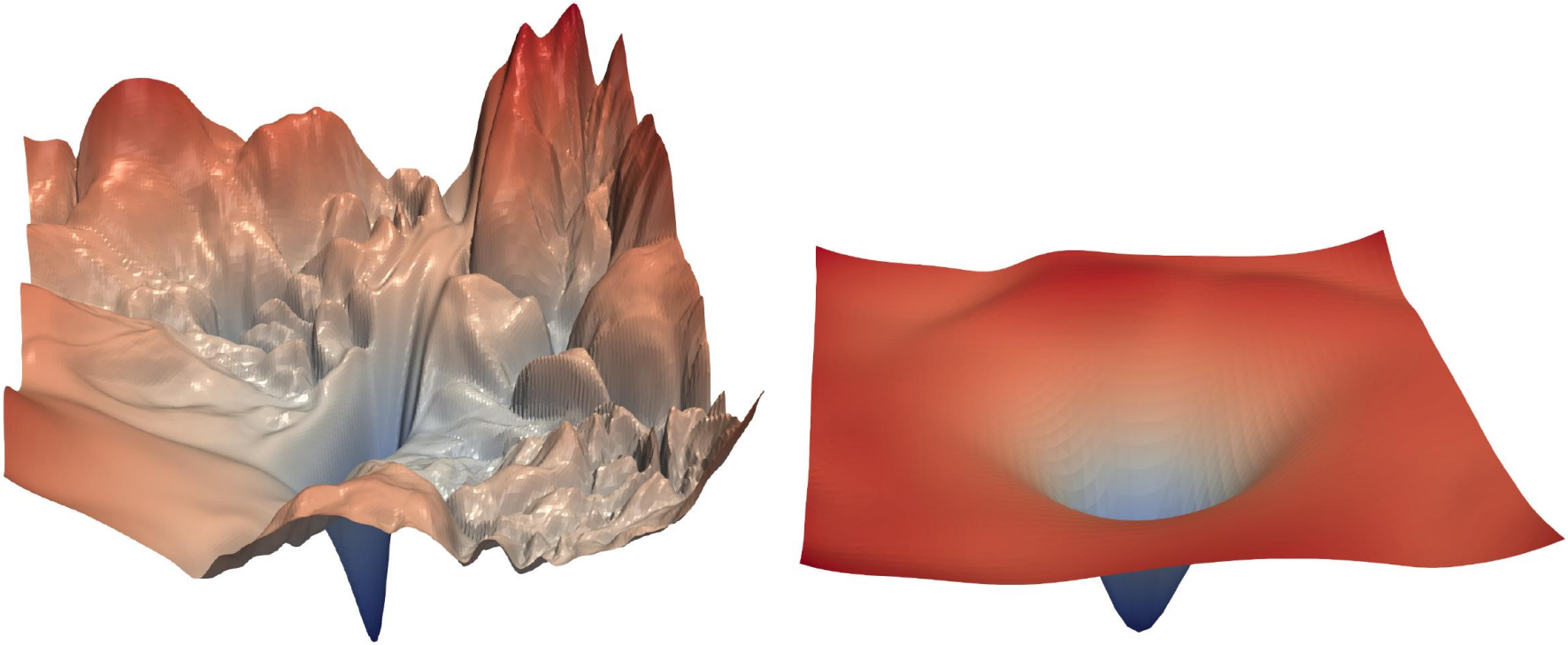

(a) without skip connections

(b) with skip connections

Figure 1: The loss surfaces of ResNet-56 with/without skip connections. The vertical axis is logarithmic to show dynamic range. The proposed filter normalization scheme is used to enable comparisons of sharpness/flatness between the two figures.

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- Deep linear network is not convex, but all the local minima are global minima.
  - There are saddle points which are hard to escape
- Deep network has local minima.
  - We need more theory in the future
- Conjecture:
  - When training a larger network, it is rare to meet local minima.
  - All local minima are almost as good as global
- We can try to understand the error surface by visualization.
  - The error surface is not as complexed as imagined.