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Hyperparameter tuning

Using an appropriate
scale to pick
hyperparameters

Picking hyperparameters at random

Sample at random was the Advice

↳ \Rightarrow you can start taking $\alpha = 100, \alpha = 10,000, \alpha = 10^6$

- But all of them will give similar values of model perf
- \Rightarrow Sample Intelligently to avoid waste of compute

But there are other hyperparams
that can be sampled within
a given Range

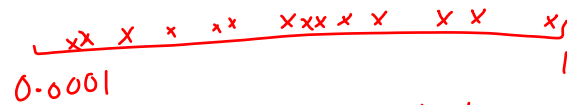
layers $\rightarrow 2$ to 10

hidden units $\rightarrow n^{[L]} \rightarrow 50$ to 100

Appropriate scale for hyperparameters

Say you are selecting best α

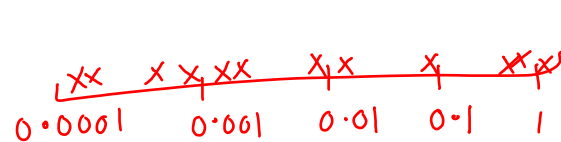
$$\alpha = .0001 \dots 1$$



- If you sample randomly here you'd end up picking more values b/w 0.0 & 1 compared to picking b/w (.0001 & .001)

\Rightarrow you may end up choosing sub optimal α

\Rightarrow use log scale in the range you sample



Now If you sample, you're equally likely to choose from any of the milestones

\Rightarrow .0001 to .001 gets a fair shot at being chosen

$$r = -4 \times \text{np.random.rand}()$$

$$\Rightarrow r \in [-4, 0]$$

$$\alpha = 10^r \Rightarrow \alpha \in [10^{-4}, 10^0]$$

$$\downarrow \quad \hookrightarrow 1$$
$$0.0001$$

$$\text{So you do } \log(0.0001) = (-4) = a$$

$$\log 1 = 0 = b$$

Hyperparameters for exponentially weighted averages

Finding β to find V_{dw} , V_{db} etc in Adam/RMS prop

$$\beta = 0.9 \text{ to } 0.999$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{1-\beta} \right) \begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \text{"Last 10 days temp"} \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{1}{1-0.9} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \frac{1}{1-0.999} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{"Last 1000 days temp"} \end{matrix}$$

\Rightarrow Sampling uniformly won't help - Same reason as last slide

$$1-\beta = 0.1 \dots 0.001 \Rightarrow \text{Same log Sampling}$$

Q Why is it such a big deal to consider diff samples, esp when $\beta \approx 1$

Because it will affect the model perf

A lot!

How? Say $\beta = 0.999 \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-\beta} = 1000$ day temp

If $\beta = 0.9995 \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-\beta} = 2000$ day temp

\Rightarrow Small change in β changes moving Avg drastically, esp when β is close to 1

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & | & \\ \hline 0.1 & 0.01 & 0.001 \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \alpha = 10^{-1} & & b = 10^{-3} \end{array}$$

Same logic as before
do a log scale & sample

\Rightarrow This allows equal sampling b/w (.1 & .01) v/s (.01, .001)

$$1-\beta = 10^{-r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 1 - 10^{-r}$$