



# Improving Deep Neural Networks

## Video 1: Problems in Deep Neural Networks ●

In Air

# Challenges in Neural Networks

## Problems with Large Neural Networks



Vanishing and Exploding Gradients



Overfitting

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## Problems with Large Neural Networks

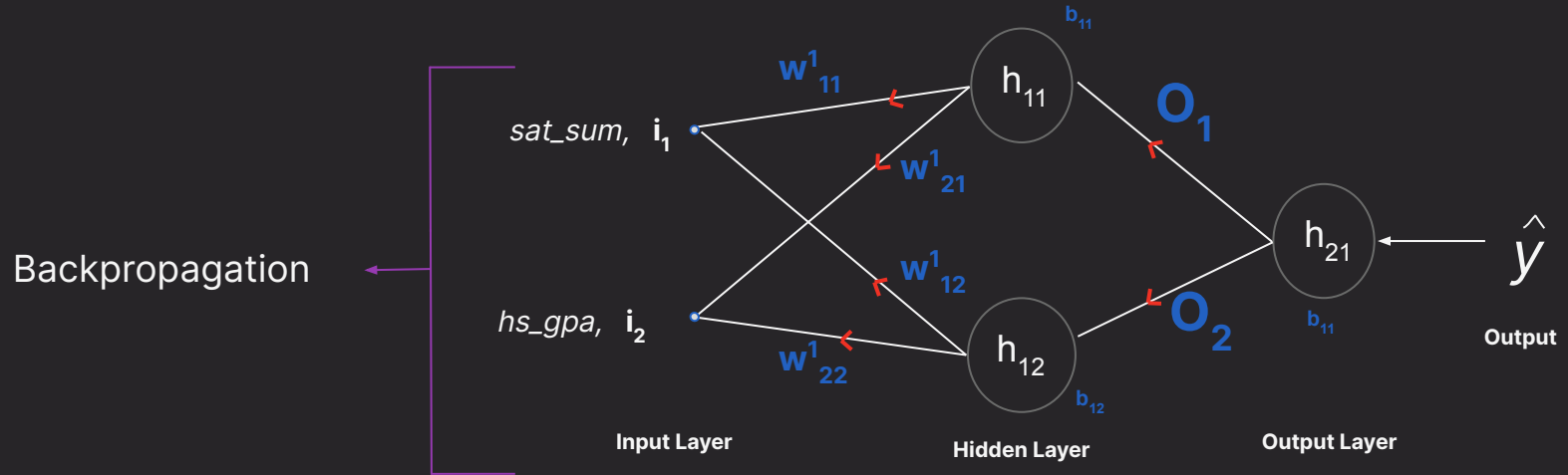


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# Challenges in Neural Networks



How does too small or too large weight affect neural network learning ?

# Vanishing Gradients

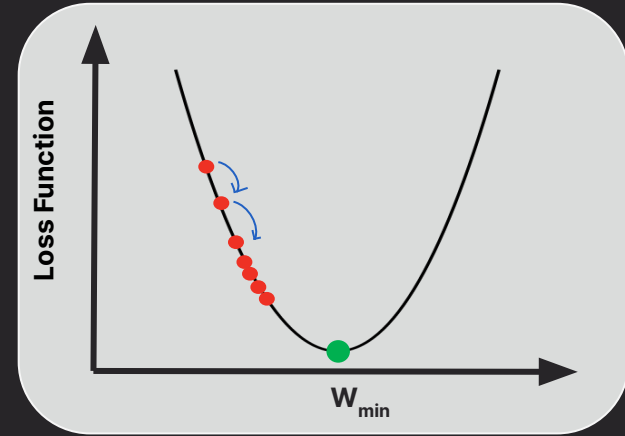


Update to the weights is small

$$w_{new} = w_{old} - \text{eeta} * dL/dw$$

Becomes closer to 0

$$w_{new} = w_{old}$$

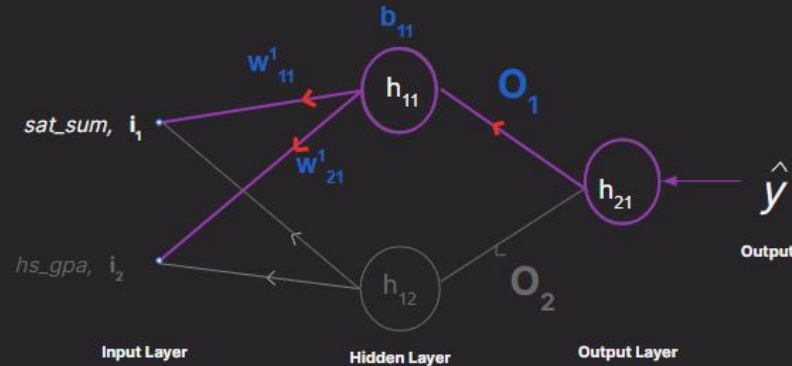


Small Learning Rate

Why do deep neural  
networks face  
vanishing gradient  
problem ?



# Chain Rule of Differentiation



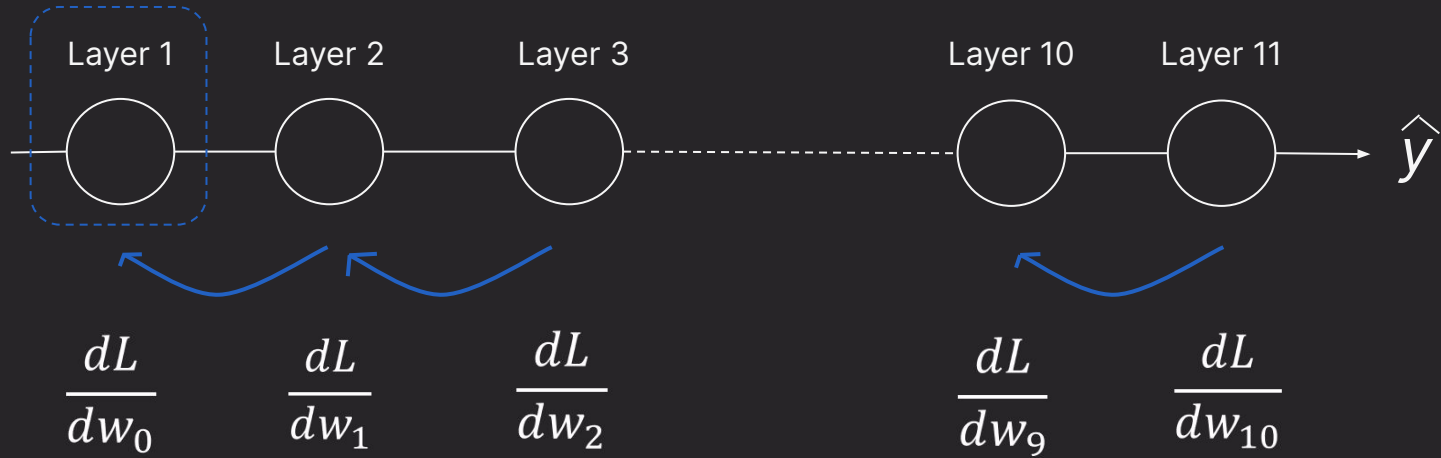
$$\frac{dL}{dw_{11}^1} = \frac{dL}{dO_1} * \frac{dO_1}{dw_{11}^1}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dw_{21}^1} = \frac{dL}{dO_1} * \frac{dO_1}{dw_{21}^1}$$

$$\frac{dL}{db_{11}} = \frac{dL}{dO_1} * \frac{dO_1}{db_{11}}$$



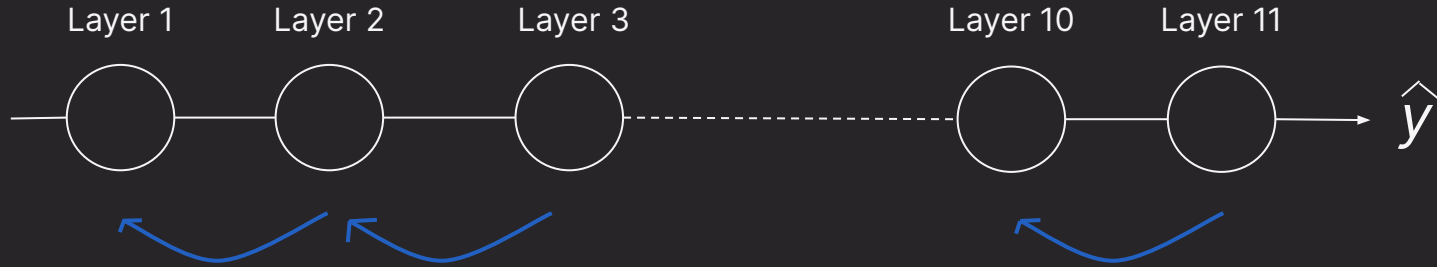
# Chain Rule of Differentiation



Could be represented as multiplication of all previous Gradients

$$\left( \frac{dL}{dw_n} \right)^{10}$$

# Vanishing Gradient



**Assumption:**  $dw_n = 0.1$

$$dw_0 * 0.1^{10}$$

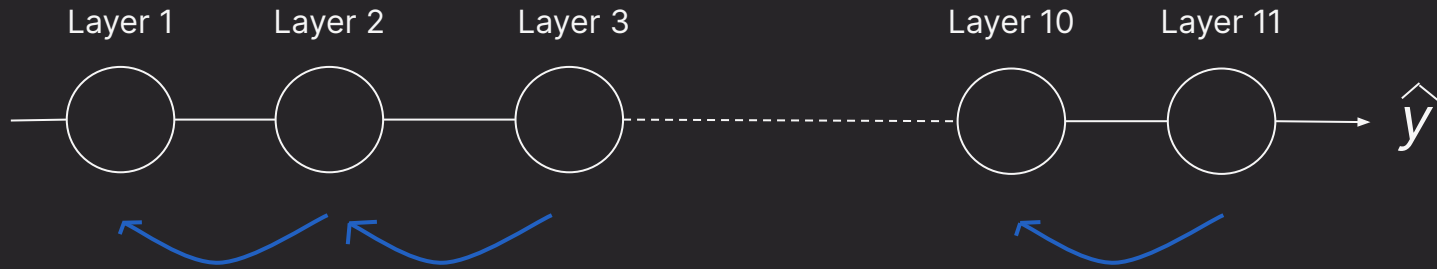
A very small value ; close to 0



Could be represented as multiplication of all previous Gradients

$$\left( \frac{dL}{dw_n} \right)^{10}$$

# Exploding Gradient



**Assumption:**  $dw_n = 2$

$$dw_0 * 2^{10}$$

Extremely large value for weight update

Parameters can overflow, giving NaN values

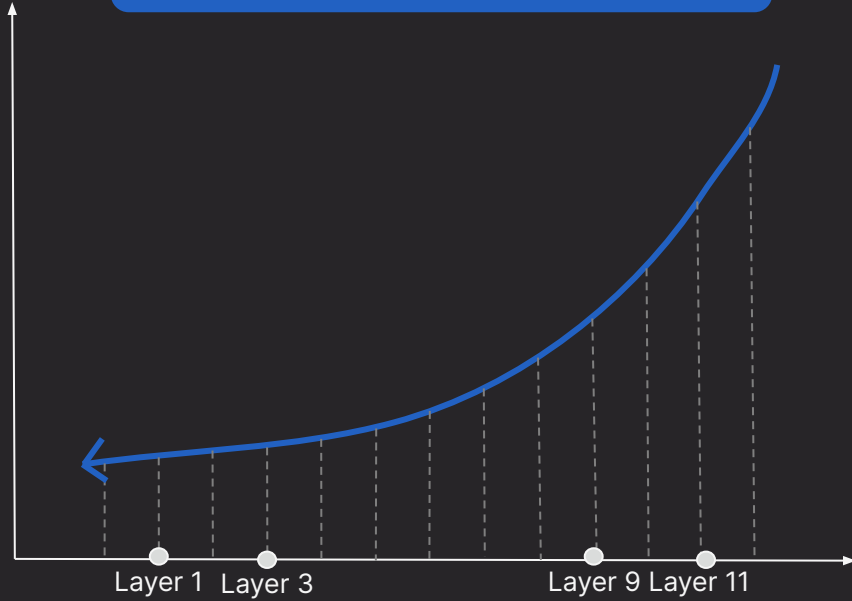
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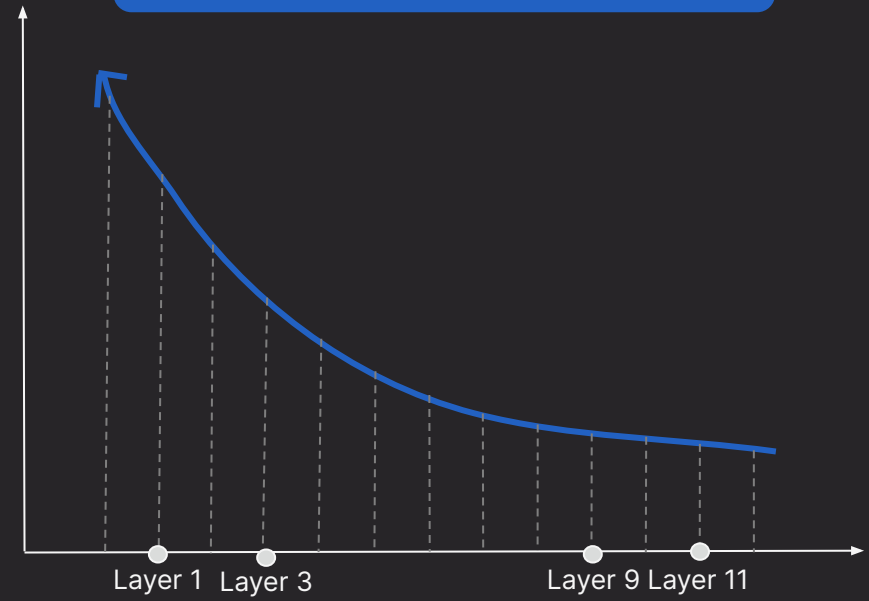
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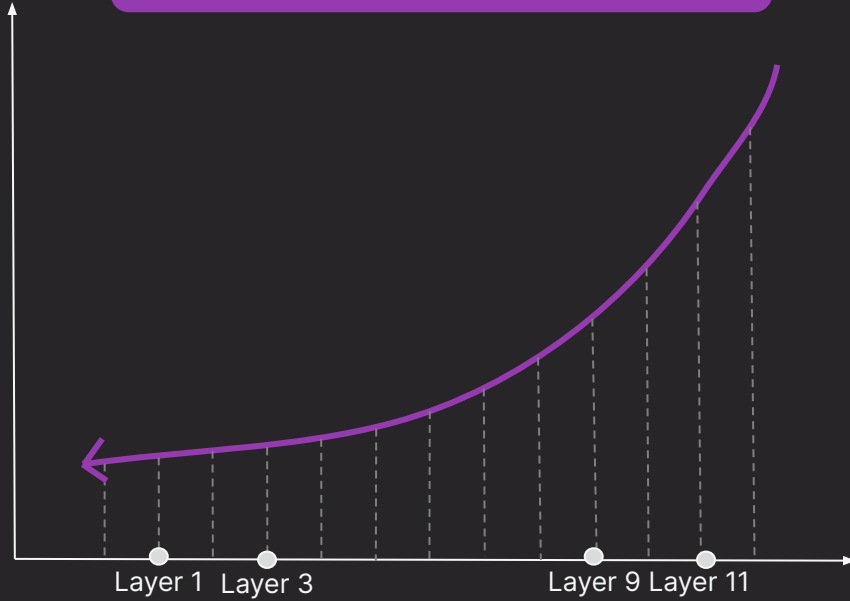
## Vanishing Gradient



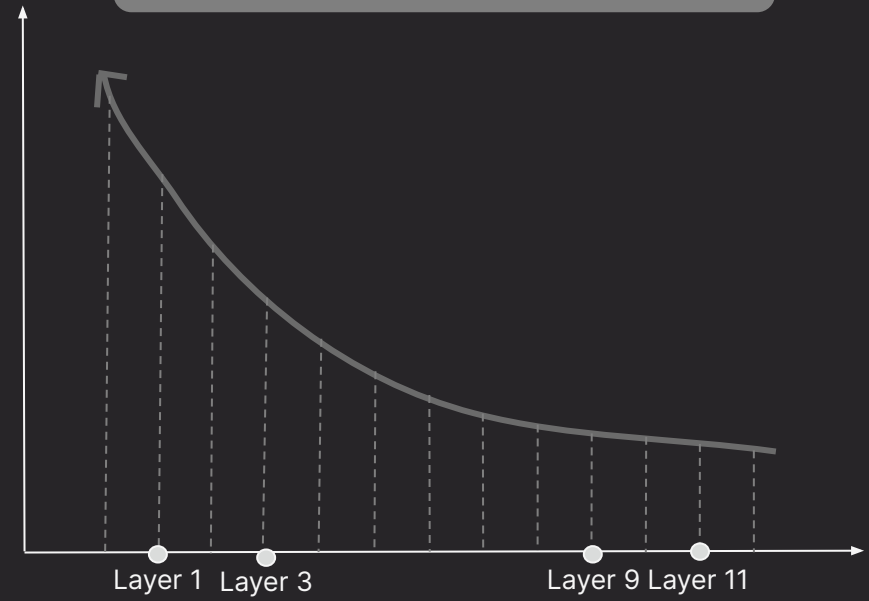
## Exploding Gradient



## Vanishing Gradient



## Exploding Gradient



How to identify which  
gradient the model is  
suffering from ?



Exploding Gradient	Vanishing Gradient
There is an exponential growth in the model parameters of the lower or initial layers.	The parameters of the higher layers change significantly whereas the parameters of lower or initial layers would not change much or not at all.
The model weights may become NaN during training	The model weights may become close to 0 during training.
During training the model may abruptly increase loss values by a large amount.	During training the model learns very slowly and the training stagnates at a very early stage.