

5.2 The `torch.optim` module

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torch.optim is a module in PyTorch that provides a variety of optimization algorithms used to update the parameters of your model during training.

It includes common optimizers like *Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)*, *Adam*, *RMSprop*, and more.

It handles weight updates efficiently, including additional features like *learning rate scheduling* and *weight decay (regularization)*.

The ***model.parameters()*** method in PyTorch retrieves *an iterator over all the trainable parameters (weights and biases)* in a model.

These parameters are instances of ***torch.nn.Parameter*** and include:

- **Weights:** The weight matrices of layers like ***nn.Linear***, ***nn.Conv2d***, etc.
- **Biases:** The bias terms of layers (if they exist).

The optimizer uses these parameters to compute gradients and update them during training.