

Deep Learning

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Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} L_i(s_i, y_i)$$

$$s_i = f(x_i, W) = W x_i$$

$$\nabla_W L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_W L_i(s_i, y_i)$$

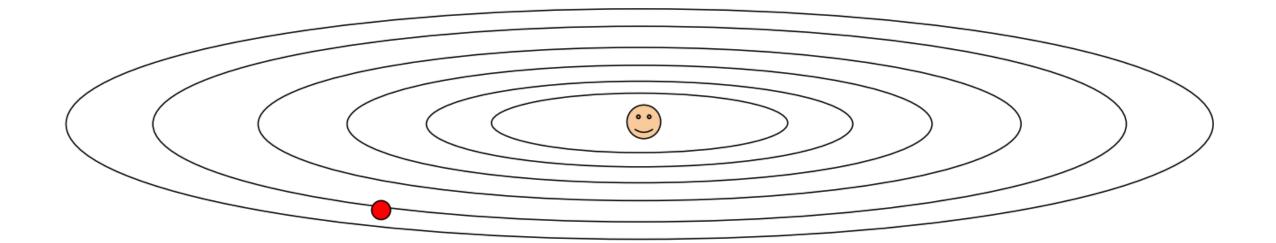
$$W = W - \eta \nabla_W L$$

- Full sum expensive when N is large!
- Approximate sum using a minibatch of examples
 - 32 / 64 / 128 common

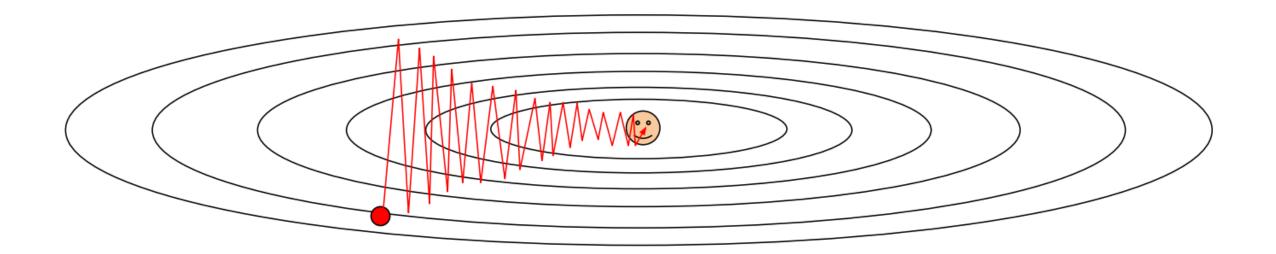
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# Vanilla Minibatch Gradient Descent

while True:
    data_batch = sample_training_data(data, 256) # sample 256 examples
    weights_grad = evaluate_gradient(loss_fun, data_batch, weights)
    weights += - step_size * weights_grad # perform parameter update
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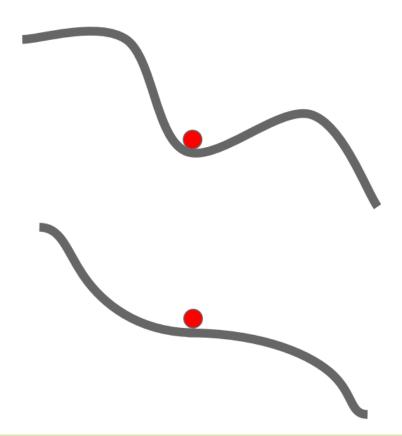
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- Very slow progress along shallow dimension, jitter along steep direction



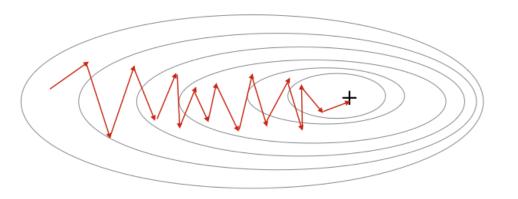
- What if the loss function has a local minima or saddle point?
- Zero gradient, gradient descent gets stuck



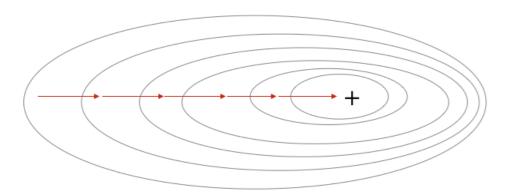
- Our gradients come from minibatches so they can be noisy!
- Gradients are noisy but still make good progress on average

$$\nabla_W L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_W L_i(s_i, y_i)$$

Stochastic Gradient Descent



Gradient Descent



SGD + Momentum

- The loss can be interpreted as the height of a hilly terrain
- Initializing the parameters with random numbers is equivalent to setting a particle with zero initial velocity at some location
- The optimization process can then be seen as equivalent to the process of simulating the parameter vector (i.e. a particle) as rolling on the landscape



https://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3/

SGD + Momentum

SGD $x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$ while True: $dx = compute_gradient(x)$ $x = learning_rate * dx$

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SGD + Momentum v_{t+1} = \rho v_t + \nabla f(x_t) x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha v_{t+1} vx = 0 while True: dx = compute\_gradient(x) vx = rho * vx + dx x = learning rate * vx
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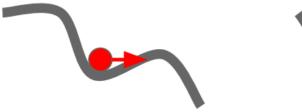
- Build up "velocity" as a running mean of gradients
- Rho gives "friction"; typically $\rho = 0.9$ or 0.99

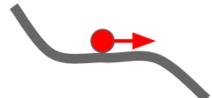
$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$$

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + v_{t+1}$$

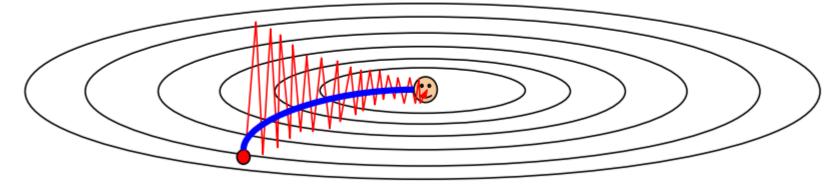
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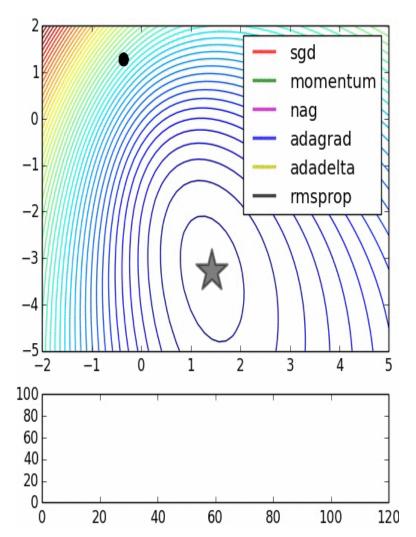
Local Minima Saddle points



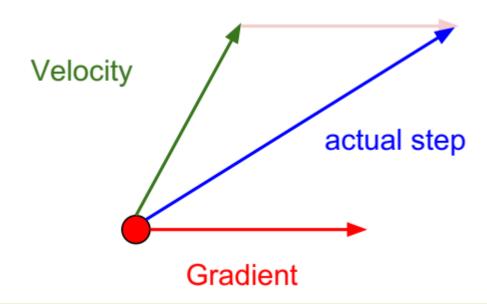


Poor Conditioning

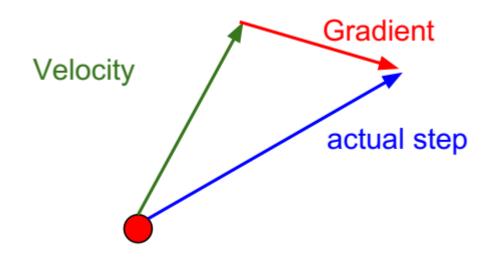




 Momentum update: Combine gradient at current point with velocity to get step used to update weights



 Nesterov Momentum: "Look ahead" to the point where updating using velocity would take us; compute gradient there and mix it with velocity to get actual update direction



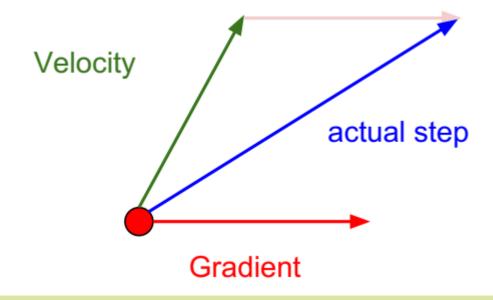
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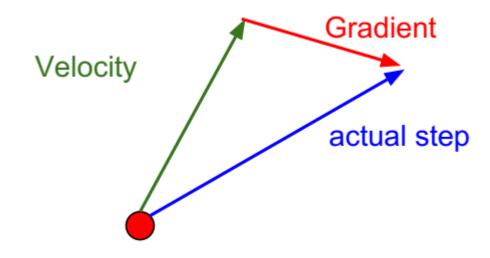
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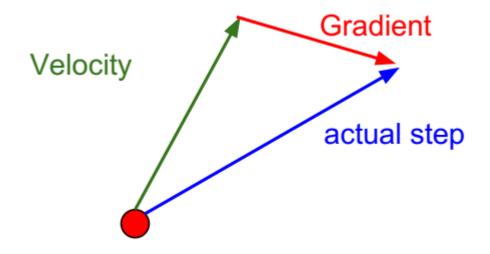


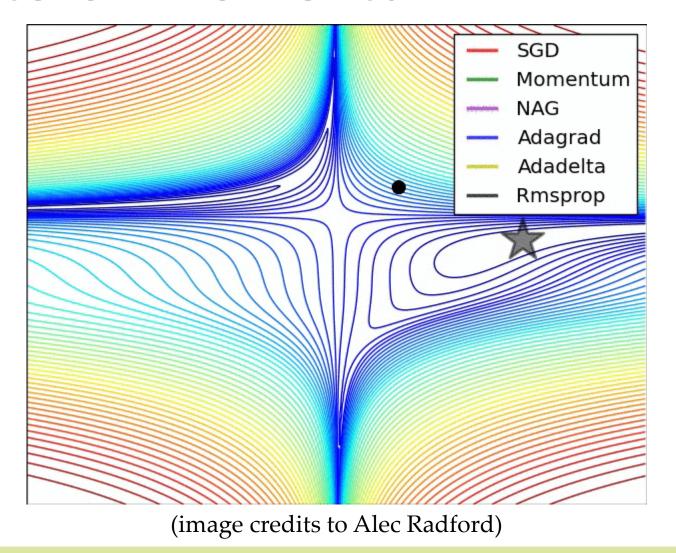
• Change of variables $\tilde{x}_t \triangleq x_t + \rho v_t$

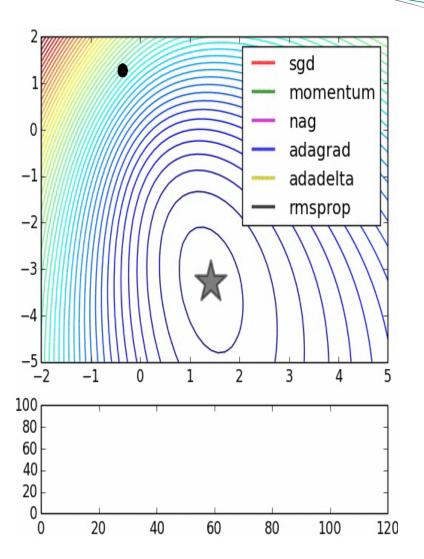
$$\begin{aligned} v_{t+1} &= \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(\tilde{x}_t) \\ \tilde{x}_{t+1} - \rho v_{t+1} &= \tilde{x}_t - \rho v_t + v_{t+1} \\ \tilde{x}_{t+1} &= \tilde{x}_t + v_{t+1} + \rho (v_{t+1} - v_t) \\ \mathrm{dx} &= \mathrm{compute_gradient}(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathrm{old_v} &= \mathrm{v} \\ \mathrm{v} &= \mathrm{rho} * \mathrm{v} - \mathrm{learning_rate} * \mathrm{dx} \\ \mathrm{x} &+= -\mathrm{rho} * \mathrm{old_v} + (\mathbf{1} + \mathrm{rho}) * \mathrm{v} \end{aligned}$$

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t + \rho v_t)$$

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AdaGrad

- Added element-wise scaling of the gradient based on the historical sum of squares in each dimension
- "Per-parameter learning rates" or "adaptive learning rates"

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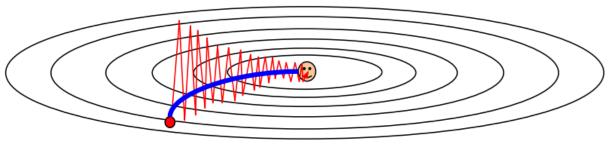
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grad_squared = 0
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    grad_squared += dx * dx
    x -= learning_rate * dx / (np.sqrt(grad_squared) + 1e-7)
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AdaGrad

- Added element-wise scaling of the gradient based on the historical sum of squares in each dimension
- "Per-parameter learning rates" or "adaptive learning rates"
 - Progress along "steep" directions is damped
 - progress along "flat" directions is accelerated
 - step size over long time decays to zero

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Poor Conditioning



RMSProp

```
grad_squared = 0
while True:
  dx = compute\_gradient(x)
  grad_squared = decay_rate * grad_squared + (1 - decay_rate) * dx * dx
  x -= learning_rate * dx / (np.sqrt(grad_squared) + 1e-7)
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while True:
  dx = compute\_gradient(x)
  grad_squared += dx * dx
  x -= learning_rate * dx / (np.sqrt(grad_squared) + 1e-7)
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Adam (almost)

```
first_moment = 0
second_moment = 0
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    first_moment = beta1 * first_moment + (1 - beta1) * dx
    second_moment = beta2 * second_moment + (1 - beta2) * dx * dx
    x -= learning_rate * first_moment / (np.sqrt(second_moment) + 1e-7))
Momentum

AdaGrad / RMSProp
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• First and second moments will be very small at the initial timesteps

Adam (full form)

```
first_moment = 0
second_moment = 0
for t in range(1, num_iterations):
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    first_moment = beta1 * first_moment + (1 - beta1) * dx
    second_moment = beta2 * second_moment + (1 - beta2) * dx * dx
    first_unbias = first_moment / (1 - beta1 ** t)
    second_unbias = second_moment / (1 - beta2 ** t)
    x -= learning_rate * first_unbias / (np.sqrt(second_unbias) + 1e-7))
AdaGrad / RMSProp
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 Adam with beta1 = 0.9, beta2 = 0.999, and learning_rate = 1e-3 or 5e-4 is a great starting point for many models!

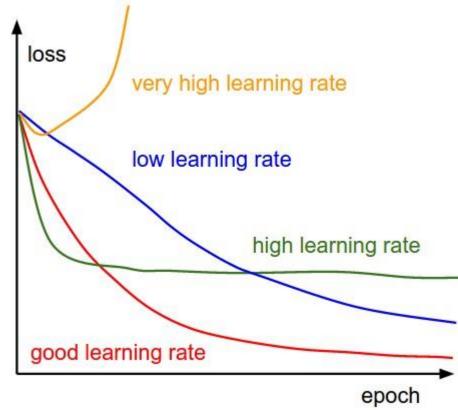
Learning rate

 SGD, SGD+Momentum, Adagrad, RMSProp, Adam all have learning rate as a hyperparameter

- We can decay learning rate over time:
 - step decay:
 - e.g. decay learning rate by half every few epochs
 - exponential decay:

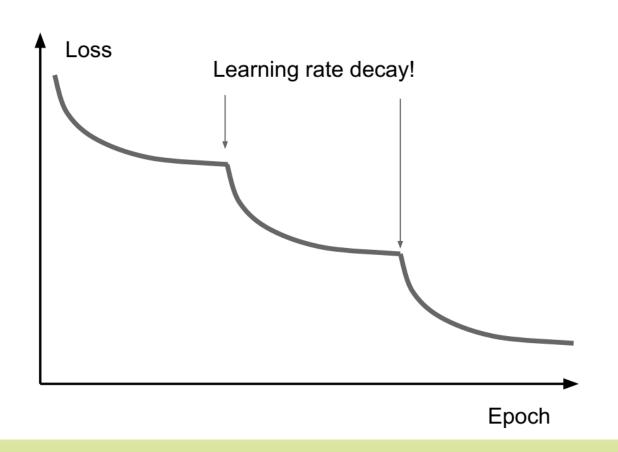
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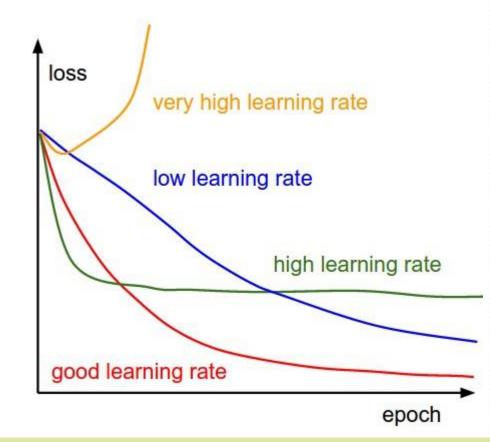
- 1/t decay:



Learning rate decay

More critical with SGD+Momentum, less common with Adam





Keras Callbacks

Using custom callbacks

Creating new callbacks is a simple and powerful way to customize a training loop. Learn more about creating new callbacks in the guide Writing your own Callbacks, and refer to the documentation for the base callback class.

Available callbacks

- Base Callback class
- ModelCheckpoint
- TensorBoard
- EarlyStopping
- LearningRateScheduler
- ReduceLROnPlateau
- RemoteMonitor
- LambdaCallback
- TerminateOnNaN
- CSVLogger
- ProgbarLogger