

Machine Learning

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L8: Deep Neural Networks.

Lecture outline.

- 1 Review & motivation.
- 2 Basic neural networks.
- 3 Some modern usage.

Reading.

- I. Goodfellow et al.; Deep Learning; Chapters 6-9.

Review & Motivation.

Review.

Lecture 1. Basic ML; k -nn (k nearest neighbor).

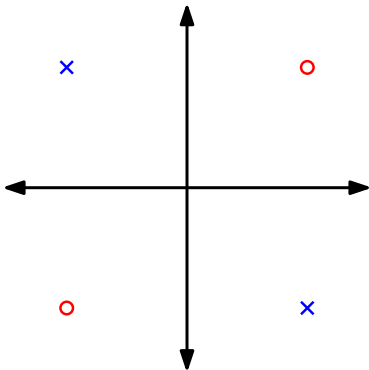
Lectures 2, 3, 6. Linear predictors
(least squares, logistic regression, SVM).

Lectures 4, 5. Convexity and optimization
(e.g., *how we can learn* linear predictors).

Lecture 7. Multiclass and *nonlinear* (kernel) SVM.

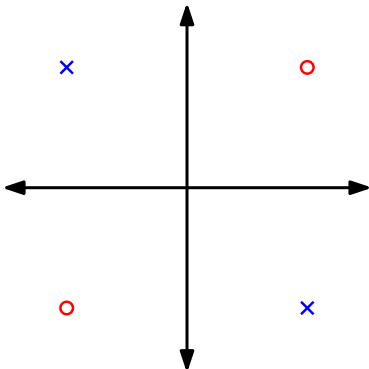
Lecture 8. **Deep neural networks.**

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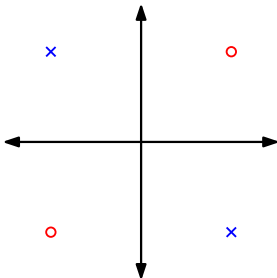
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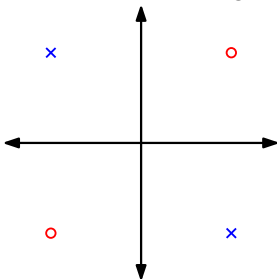
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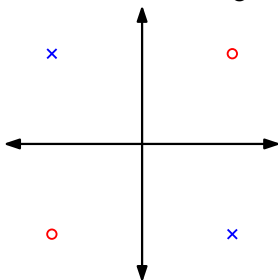
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Solution (today's lecture): *Learn* ϕ .

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 I feel I am an idiot in the lecture.

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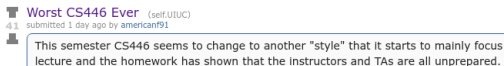
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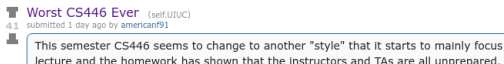
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Observations.

- Everything explicitly in threads.
- Implicit: communication insufficient (e.g., piazza).
- Implicit: homeworks not fun.
- What else?

Second aside: naming.

Artificial neural networks. (8 syllables.)

Neural networks. (4 syllables.)

Deep nets. (2 syllables.)

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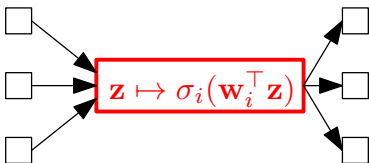
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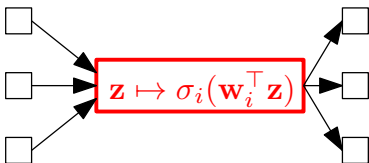


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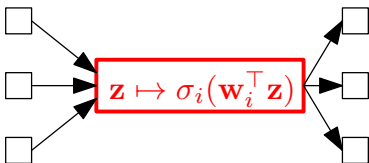
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Some modern usage.

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is the corresponding ERM problem convex?

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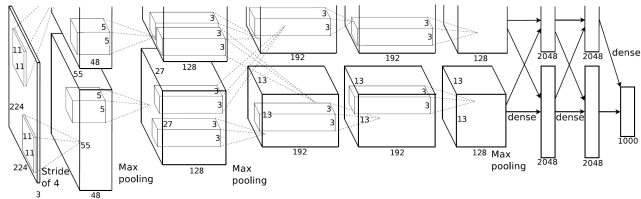
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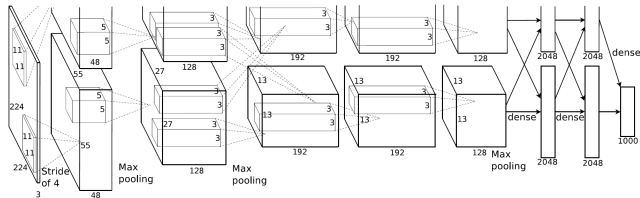
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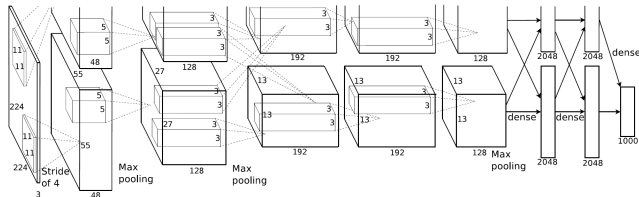
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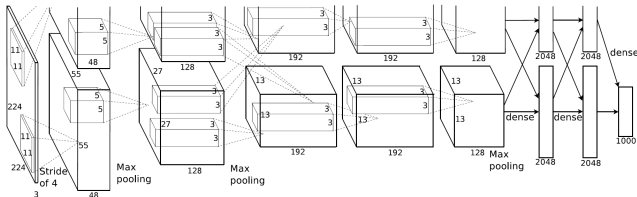
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Differences with original: no “two “tubes” (there for GPUs), no normalization, filter size and stride tweaks...

Regularization.

- “Weight decay”: $+\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$ in objective (\mathbf{v} = all params).
- Dropout: randomly nullify node outputs in training.
- Batch normalization: “standardize” node output distribution.
- Use SGD! (Implicit regularization.)

Advanced topics.

- Recurrent links; loops.
- Conditional execution.
- “Differentiable” programming.

Summary.

Deep networks

as learning features; iterated linear predictors; graphs.

Cross-entropy loss, convolution layers, max-pooling.