

Notes on Deep Neural Networks

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1 Neural Network Basics

1.1 Weight Initializations

1.1.1 Lecun's Distribution

Presented in [1, Sec 4.6].

$$X \sim N \left[-\frac{1}{\sqrt{n_j}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_j}} \right] \quad (1)$$

$$X \sim U \left[-\frac{3}{\sqrt{n_j}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{n_j}} \right] \quad (2)$$

1.1.2 Glorot Distribution

Presented in [2, 4.2].

$$X \sim N \left[-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{n_j + n_{j+1}}}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{n_j + n_{j+1}}} \right] \quad (3)$$

$$X \sim U \left[-\frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{n_j + n_{j+1}}}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{n_j + n_{j+1}}} \right] \quad (4)$$

1.1.3 He Distribution

Presented in [3, pg. 4].

$$X \sim N \left[-\sqrt{\frac{2}{n_j}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{n_j}} \right] \quad (5)$$

$$X \sim U \left[-\sqrt{\frac{6}{n_j}}, \sqrt{\frac{6}{n_j}} \right] \quad (6)$$

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