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Deep Learning Clinic (DLC)

Lecture 3
A Brief Introduction to Deep Learning

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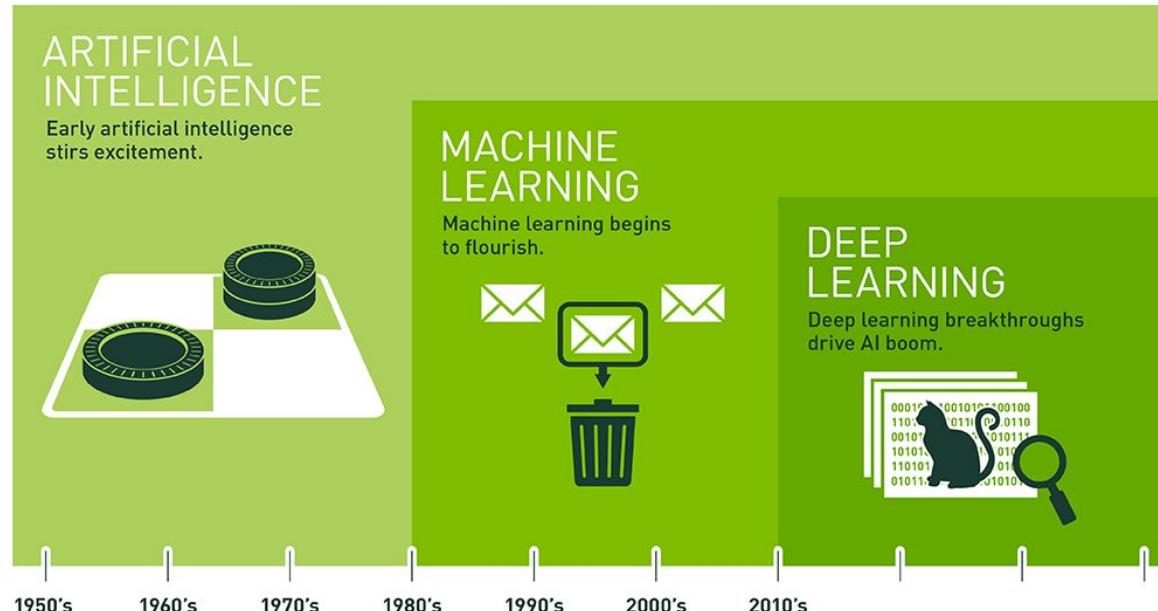
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- **Overview**
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Recall: relations with AI and ML

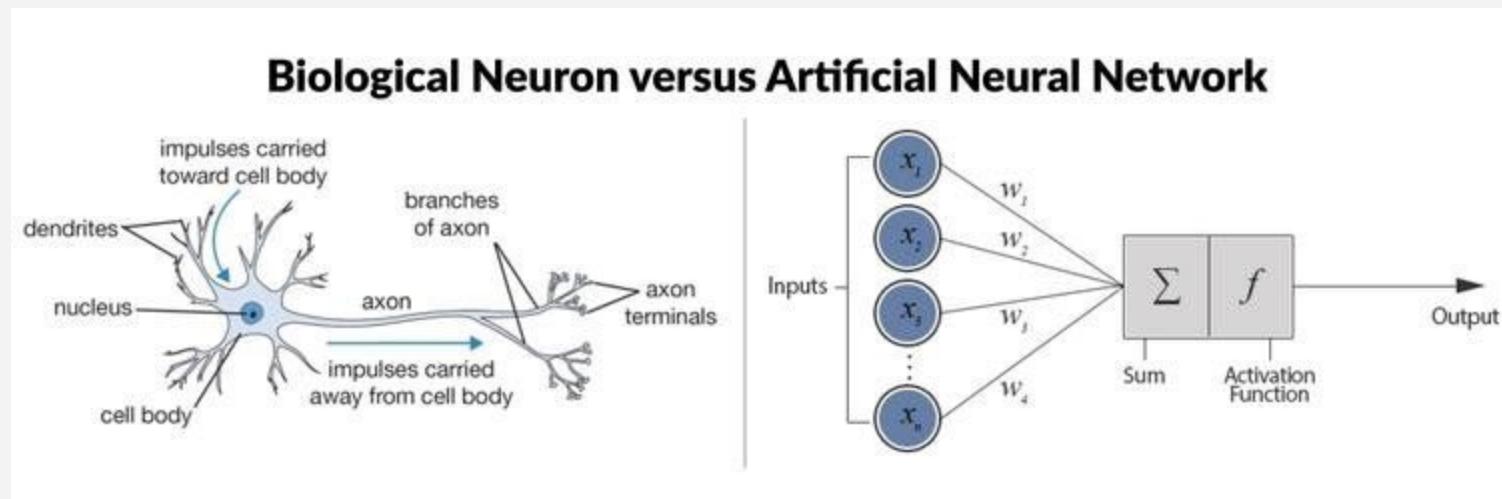


Since an early flush of optimism in the 1950s, smaller subsets of artificial intelligence – first machine learning, then deep learning, a subset of machine learning – have created ever larger disruptions.

Deep Learning is all about Neural Networks

(Artificial) Neural Network:

Originally inspired by biological neural networks.



Deep Learning is all about Neural Networks

Neural Network (Modern perspective):

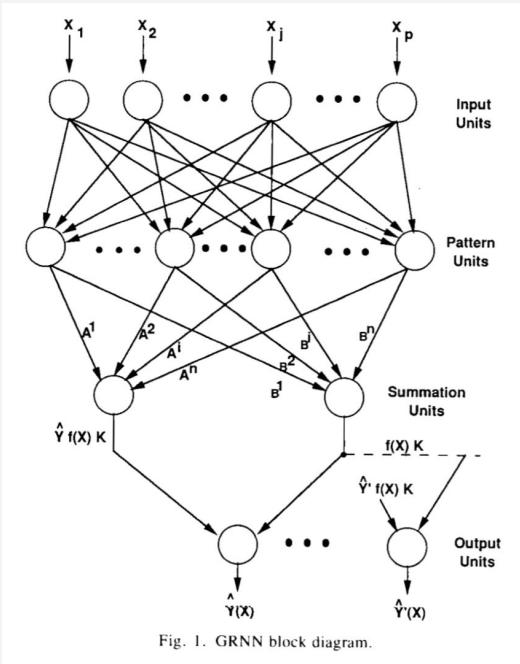
A highly non-linear function that maps input to output.

Layered structure: each layer encodes different level of information.

Universal Approximation Theorem:

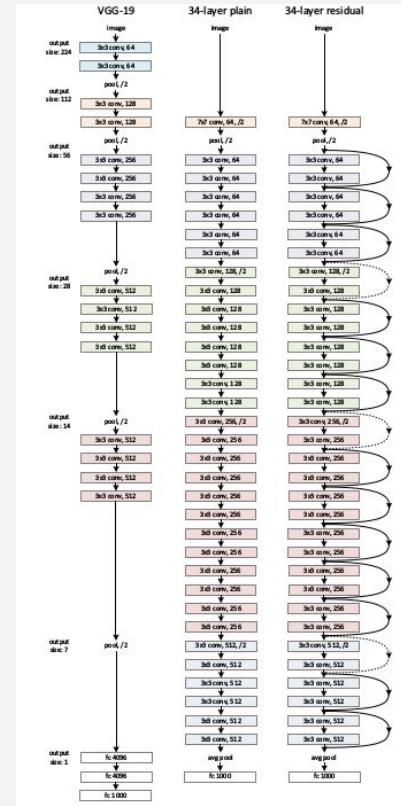
A single hidden layer feed-forward neural network can approximate almost **any** continuous function.

Neural Networks 90s vs Now



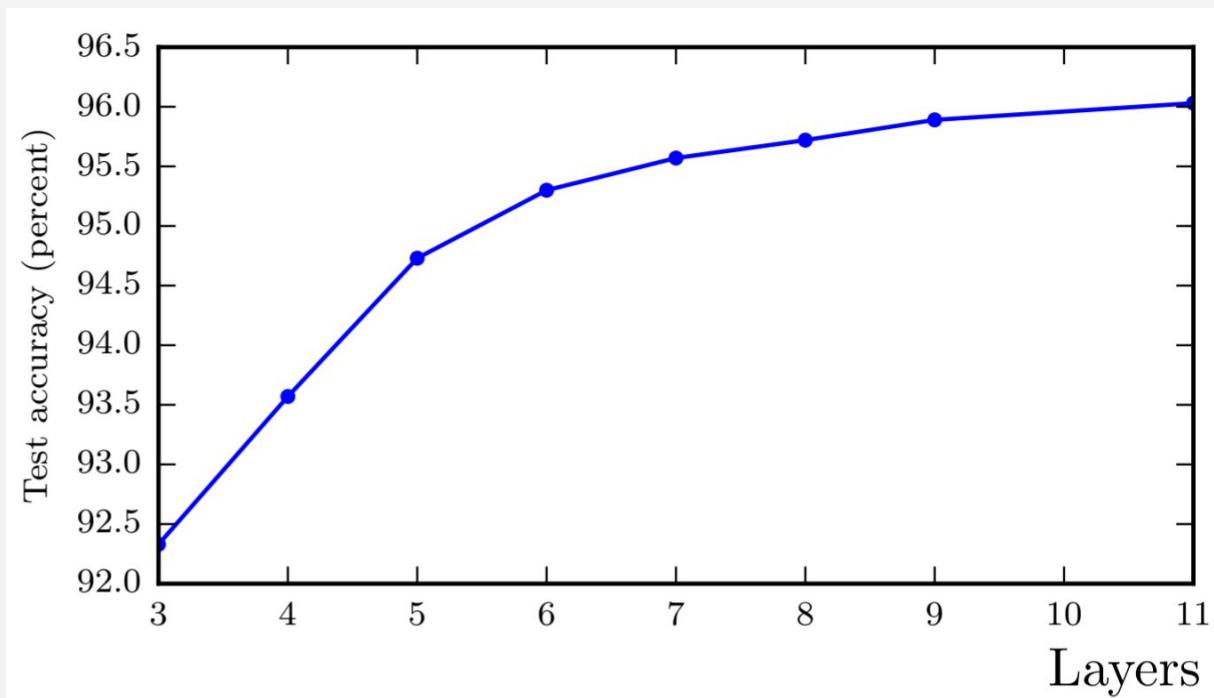
1991

VS

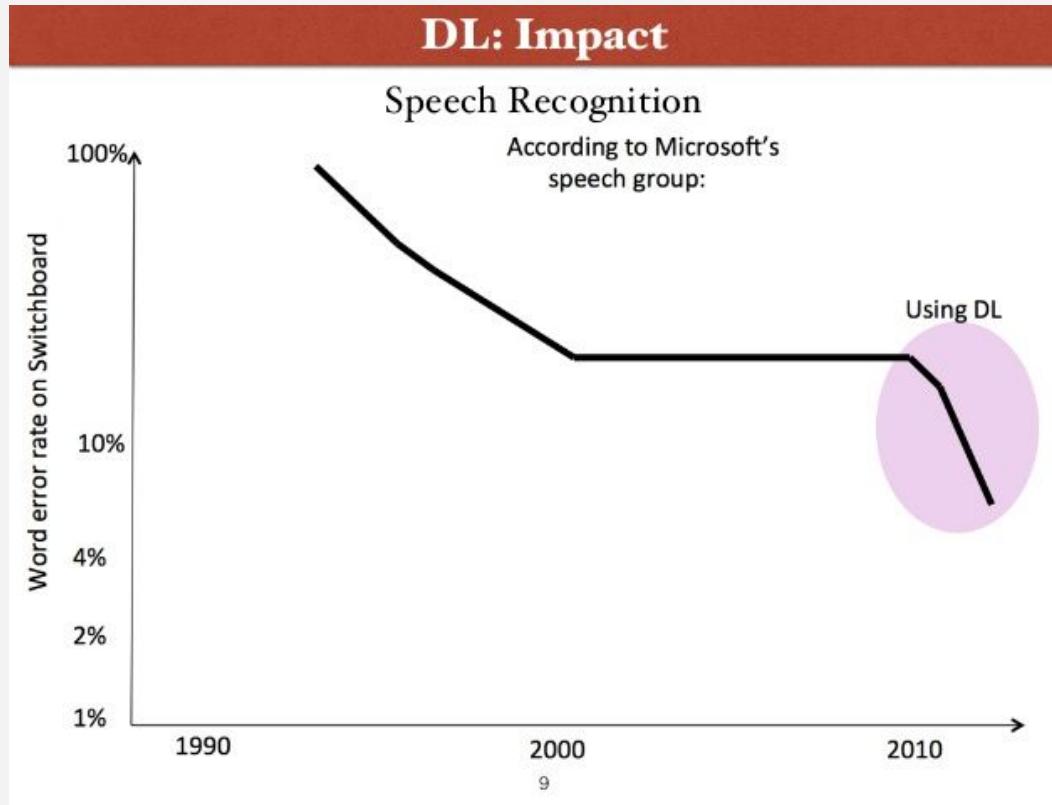


2016

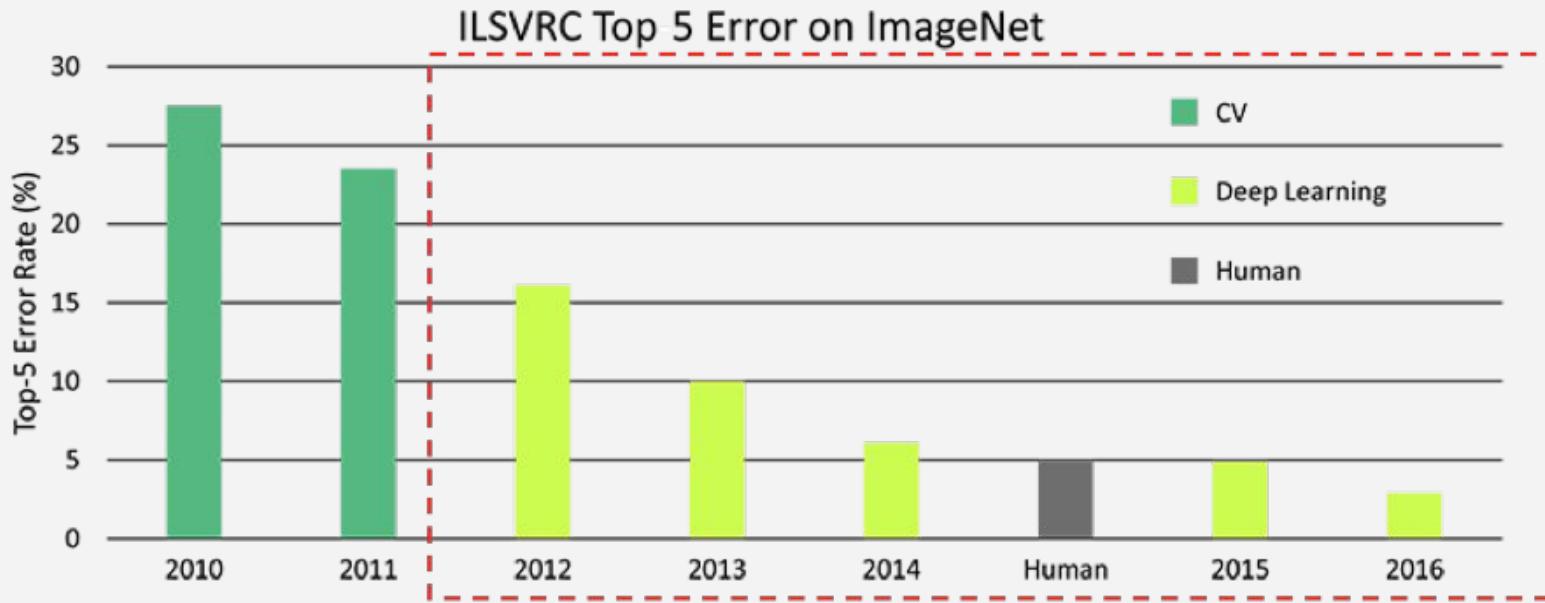
The Benefit of Going Deeper



The Dominance of DL

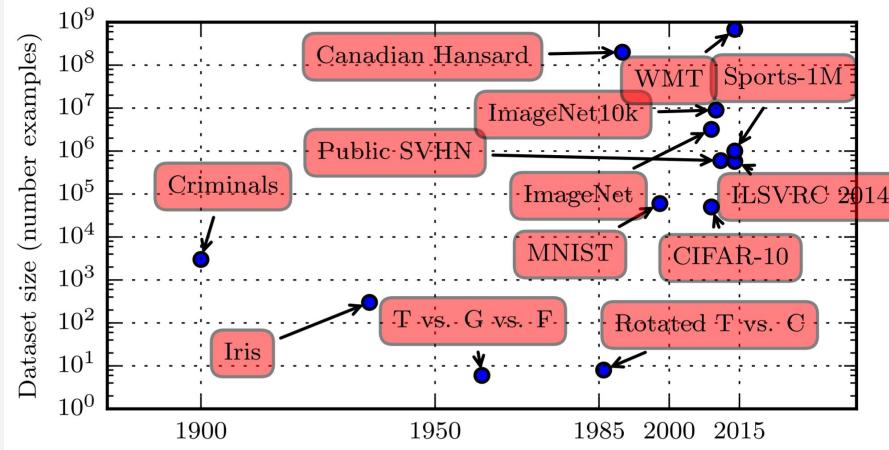


The Dominance of DL



The introduction of Deep Learning techniques drove performance on image categorization from 30% error rates in 2010, down to <2% in 2017

Main Reasons Behind Deep Learning's Success

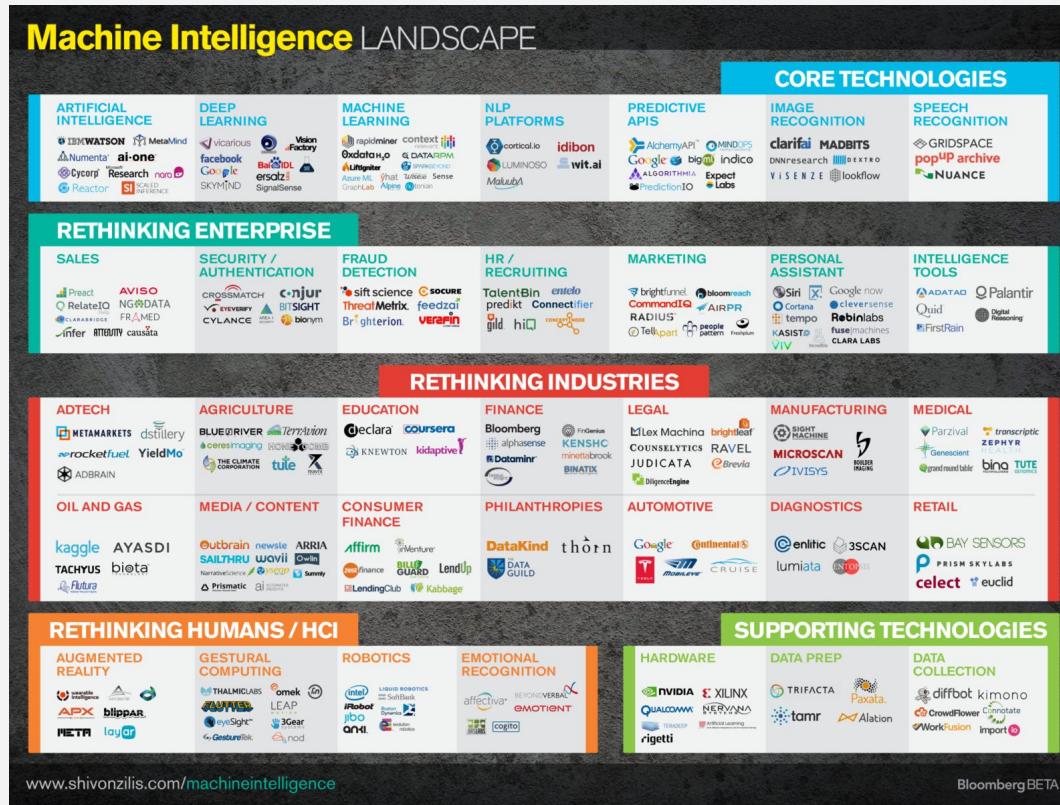


Data



Hardware

Deep Learning Landscape



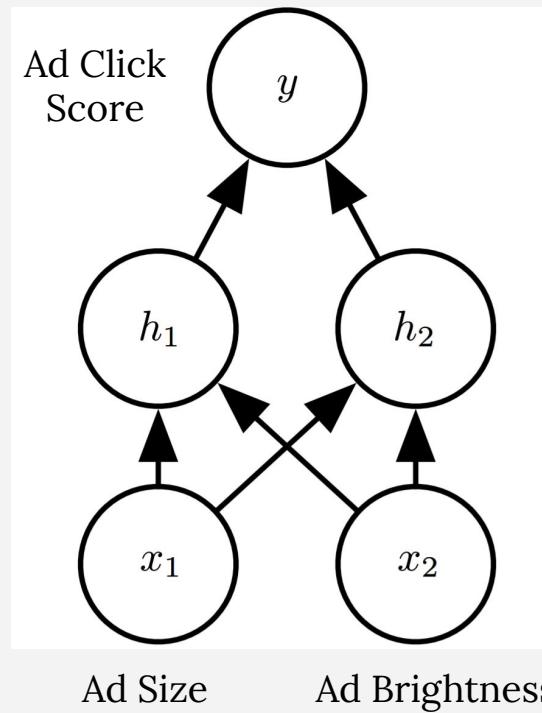
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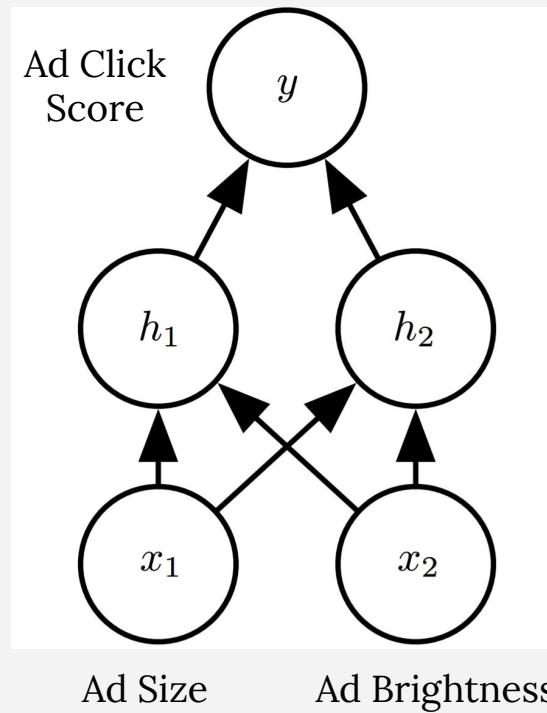
Basic Feedforward Networks



$$h_1 = x_1 * W_{11} + x_2 * W_{21} + c_1$$

$$h_2 = x_1 * W_{12} + x_2 * W_{22} + c_2$$

Basic Feedforward Networks



Or any non-linear function

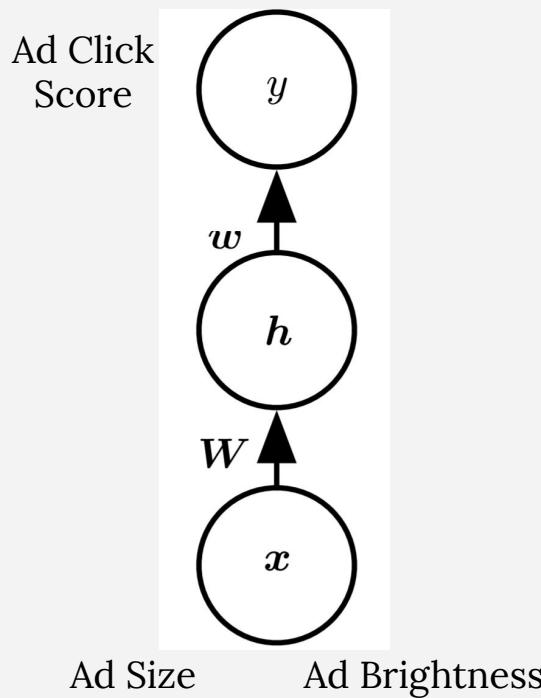
$$y = \max(0, h_1) * w_1$$

$$+ \max(0, h_2) * w_2 + b$$

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Basic Feedforward Networks



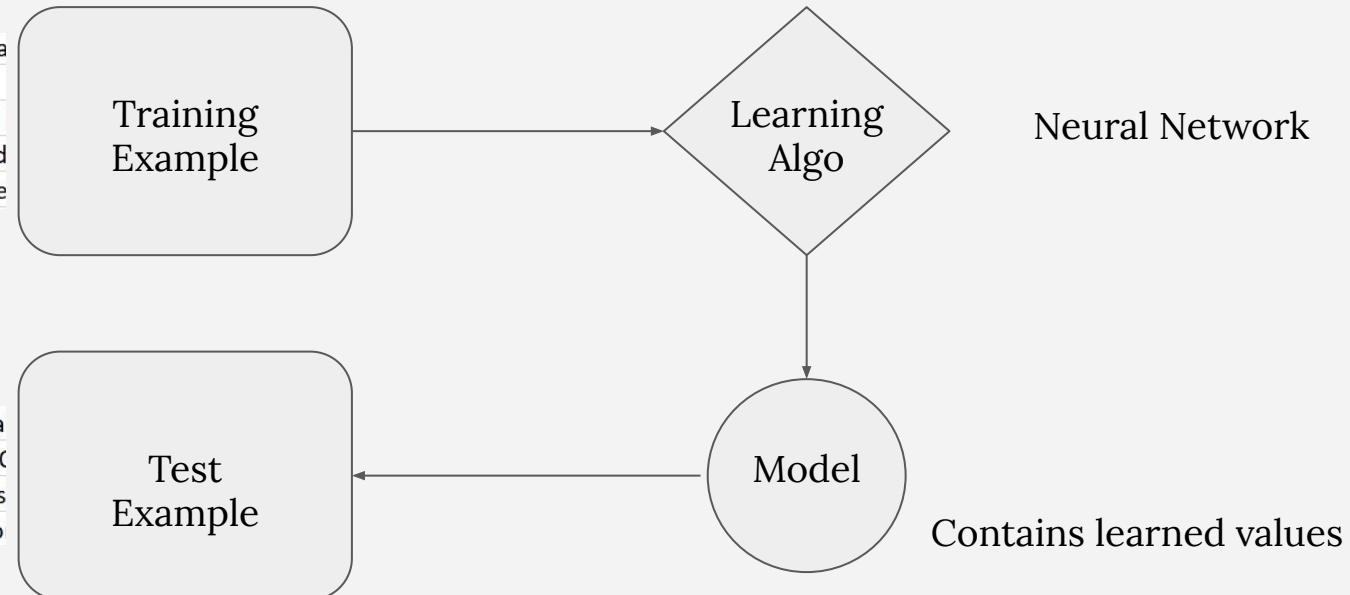
$$f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w}^\top \max\{0, \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}\} + b.$$

Data

Network's learnable parameters

Recap: Machine Learning Paradigm

ham	Go until jurong point, crazy.. Availa
ham	Ok lar... Joking wif u oni...
spam	Free entry in 2 a wkly comp to win
ham	U dun say so early hor... U c alread
ham	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he



ham	Even my brother is not like to spea
ham	As per your request 'Melle Melle (C
spam	WINNER!! As a valued network cus
spam	Had your mobile 11 months or mo

Recap: Formal Definition of Learning

Data
(word freq)

Label
spam or not

$$e \doteq \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim D} [L(y, f(x))]$$

Neural Network

$$\doteq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N L(y_n, f(x_n))$$

Loss function
How good is our spam predictor?

$$f(x; \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w}^\top \max\{0, \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}\} + b.$$

Parameter Update: Gradient Descent

$$e \doteq \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim D} [L(y, f(x))] \quad f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w}^\top \max\{0, \mathbf{W}^\top \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}\} + b.$$

$$\doteq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N L(y_n, f(x_n))$$

For t = 1 : T

$$\mathbf{W}_{t+1} = \mathbf{W}_t - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{W}_t}$$

$$\mathbf{c}_{t+1} = \mathbf{c}_t - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{c}_t}$$

...

Backpropagation

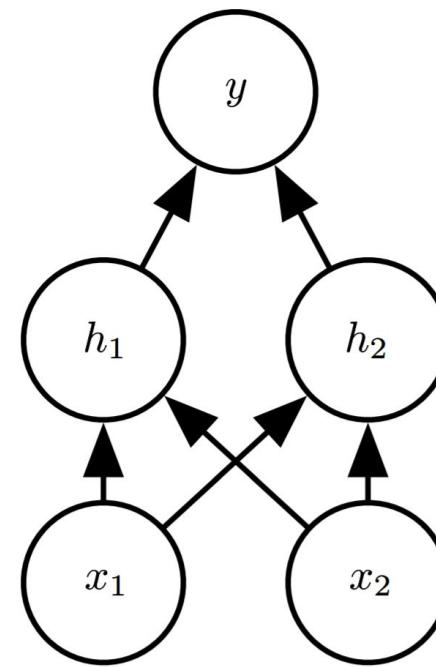
Compute activations

Forward prop

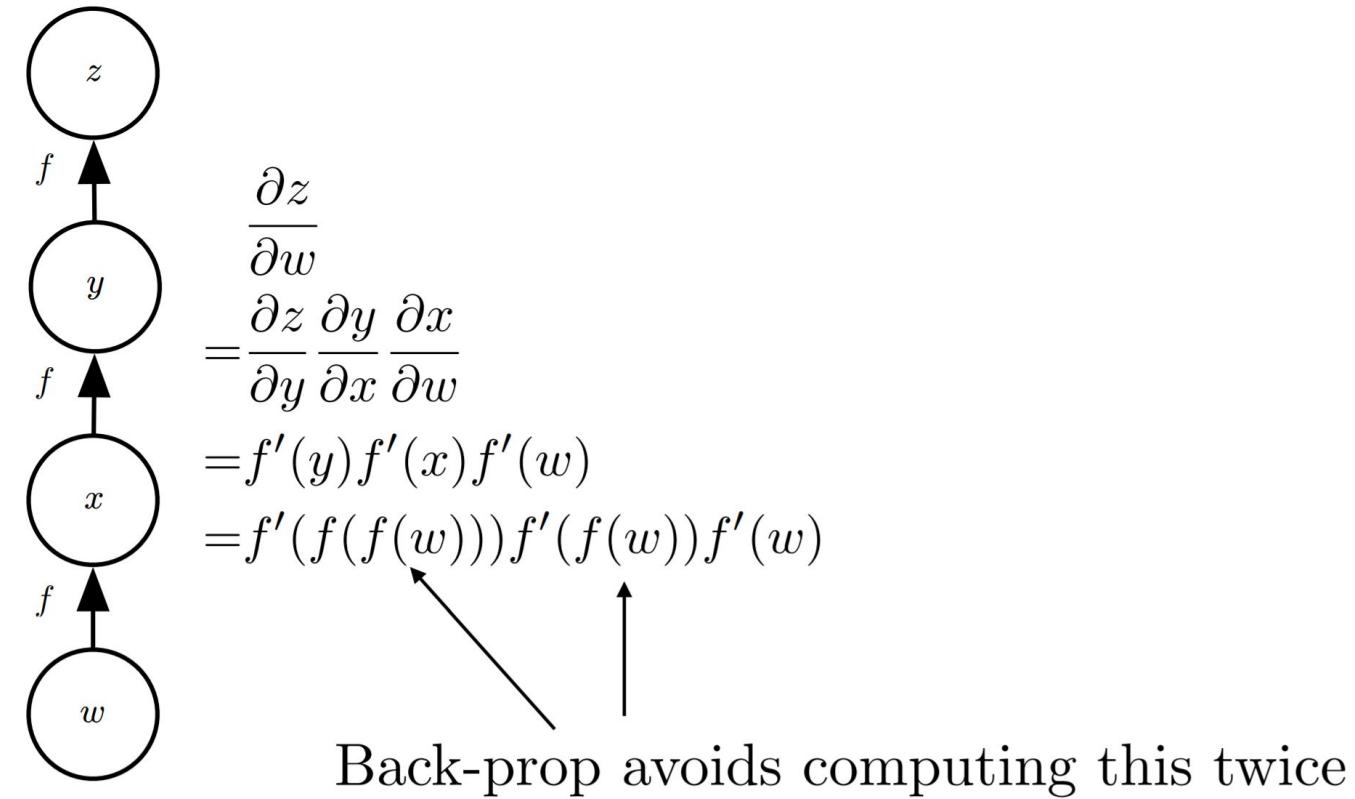
Compute loss

Back-prop

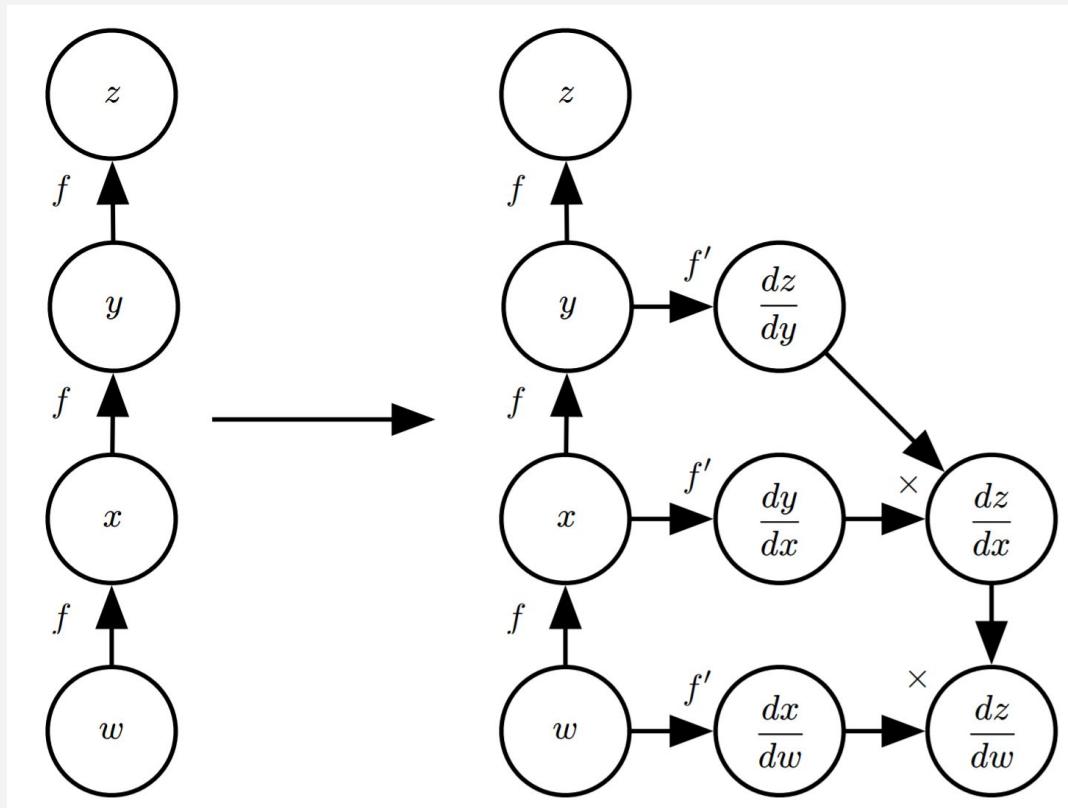
Compute derivatives



Backpropagation



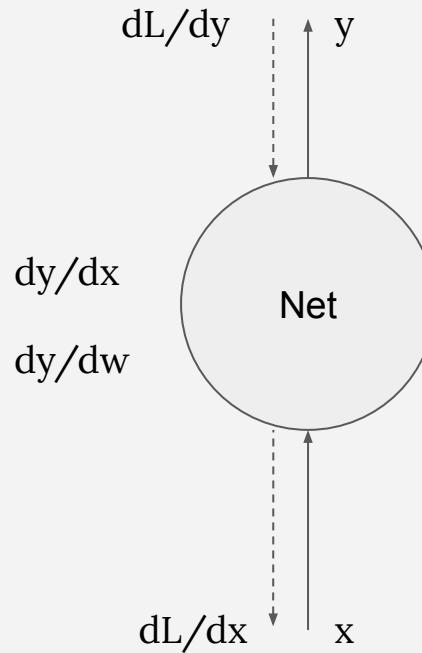
Backpropagation - How It Is Done



Backpropagation makes everything modular

Each network module only cares about its own information flow:

1. How to get from input to output
2. How to get loss from output to input
3. How to update weights



Backpropagation - PyTorch Example

```
import torch
from torch.autograd import Variable

x = Variable(torch.rand(2,1), requires_grad=True)

W = Variable(torch.rand(2,2), requires_grad=True)
c = Variable(torch.rand(2,1), requires_grad=True)

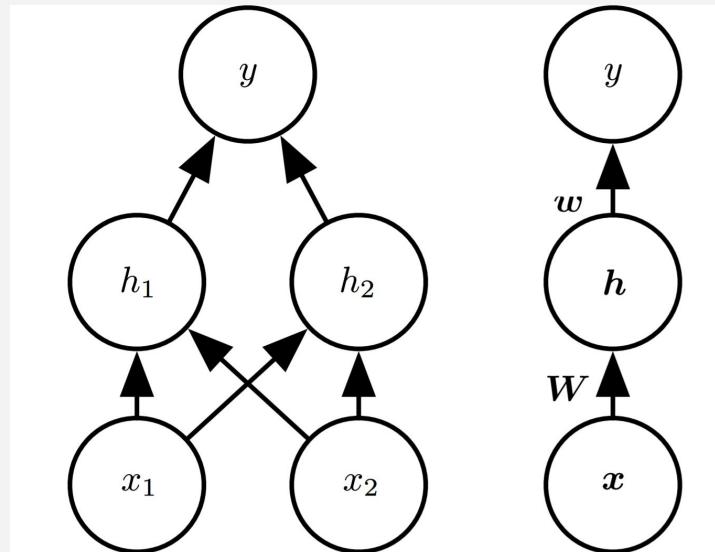
w = Variable(torch.rand(2,1), requires_grad=True)
b = Variable(torch.rand(1), requires_grad=True)

h = torch.relu(torch.matmul(W, x) + c)
y = torch.matmul(w.t(), h) + b

y_target = Variable(torch.zeros(1))
loss = (y - y_target)**2

loss.backward()
```

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Auto differentiation magic

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Training with deep neural networks

Backpropagation should work with any number of layers.

Can we just stack arbitrary number of layers and form a really deep thus powerful neural network?

It turned out there are many challenges.

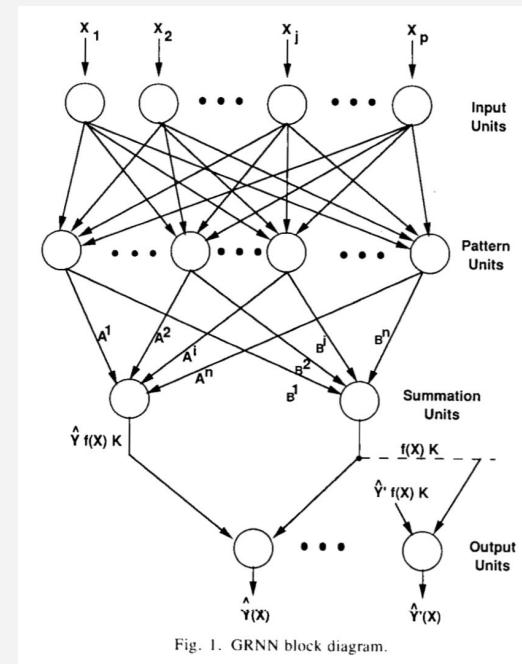


Fig. 1. GRNN block diagram.

Challenges with deep neural networks

To make efficient computation,
neural networks are running on GPUs.

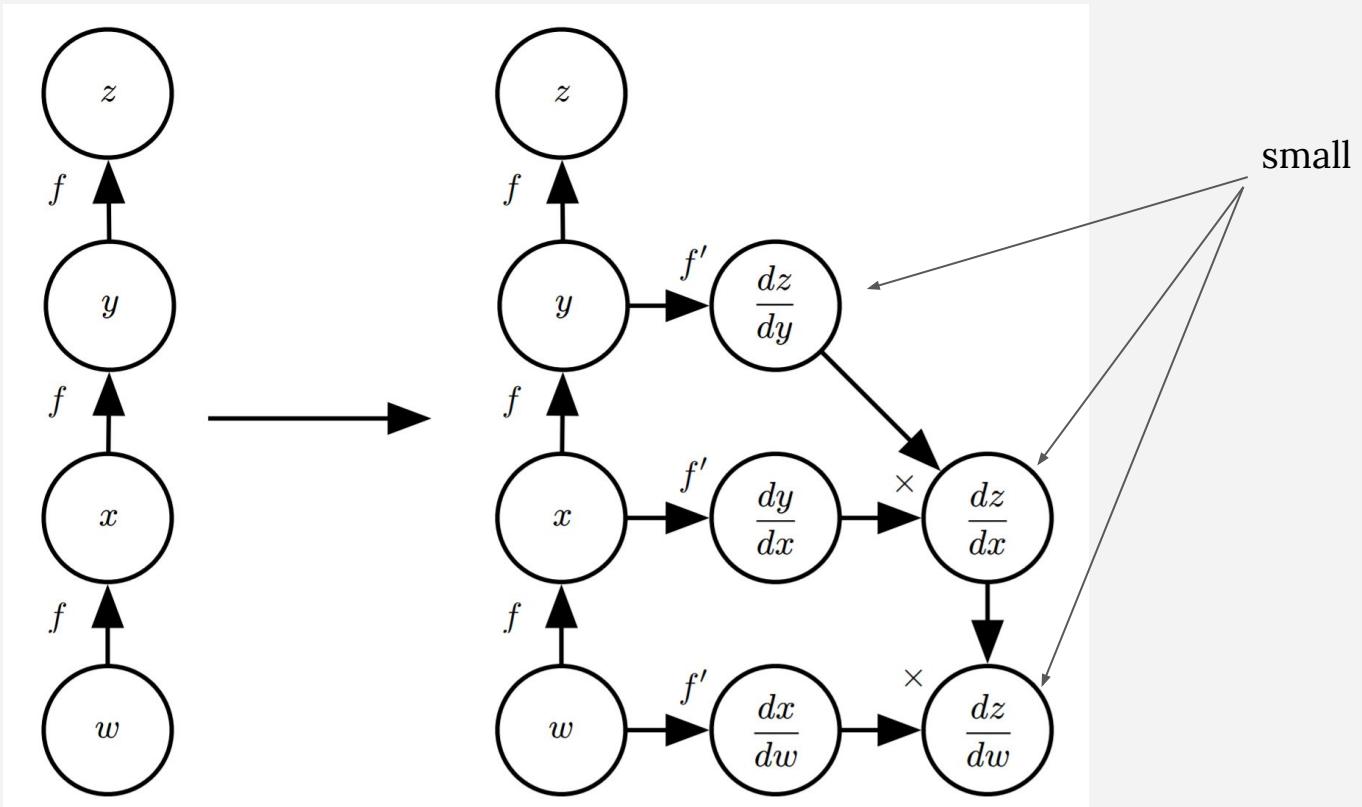
There is a hard limit on the GPU memory
you can fit.



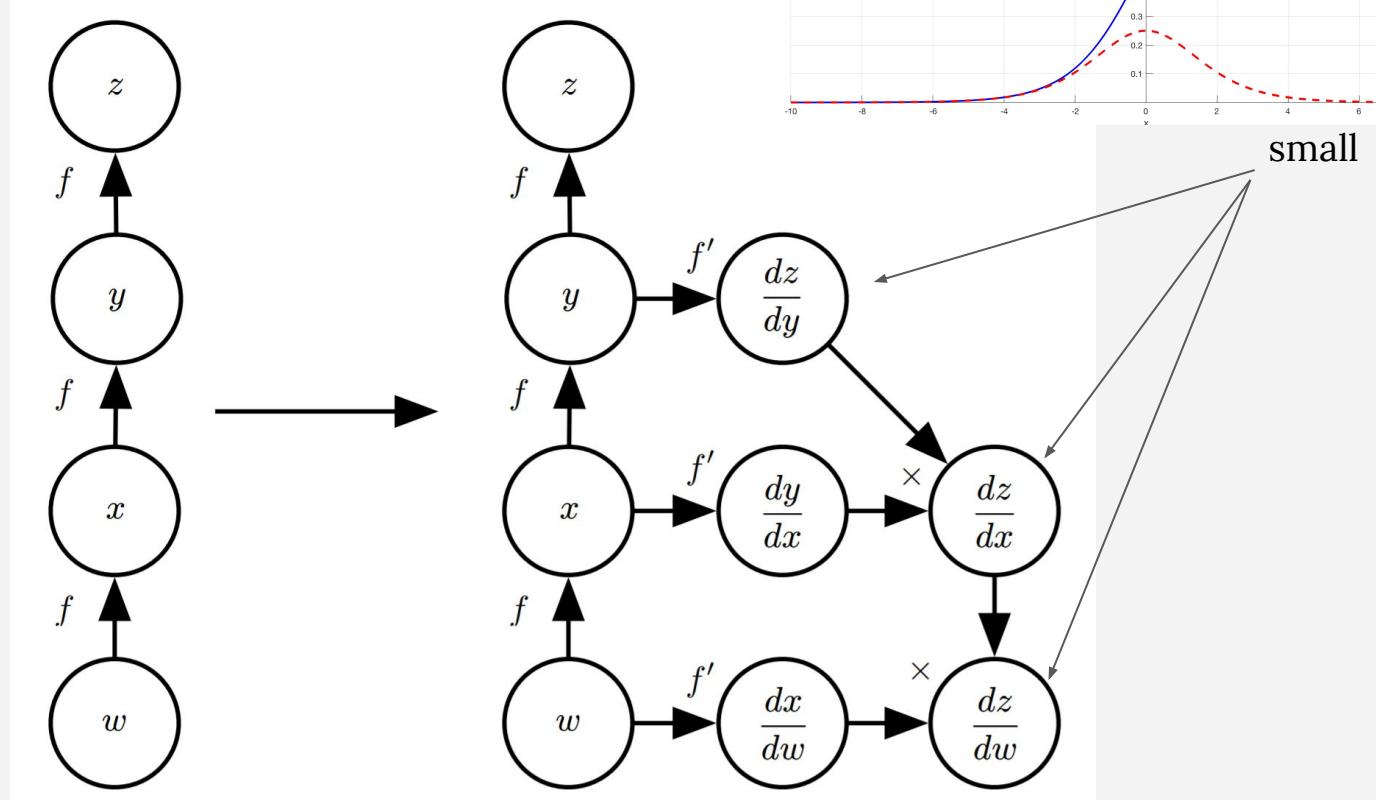
Hardware

Distributed computing with many GPUs is possible. But it requires special communication/scheduling and learning algorithms.

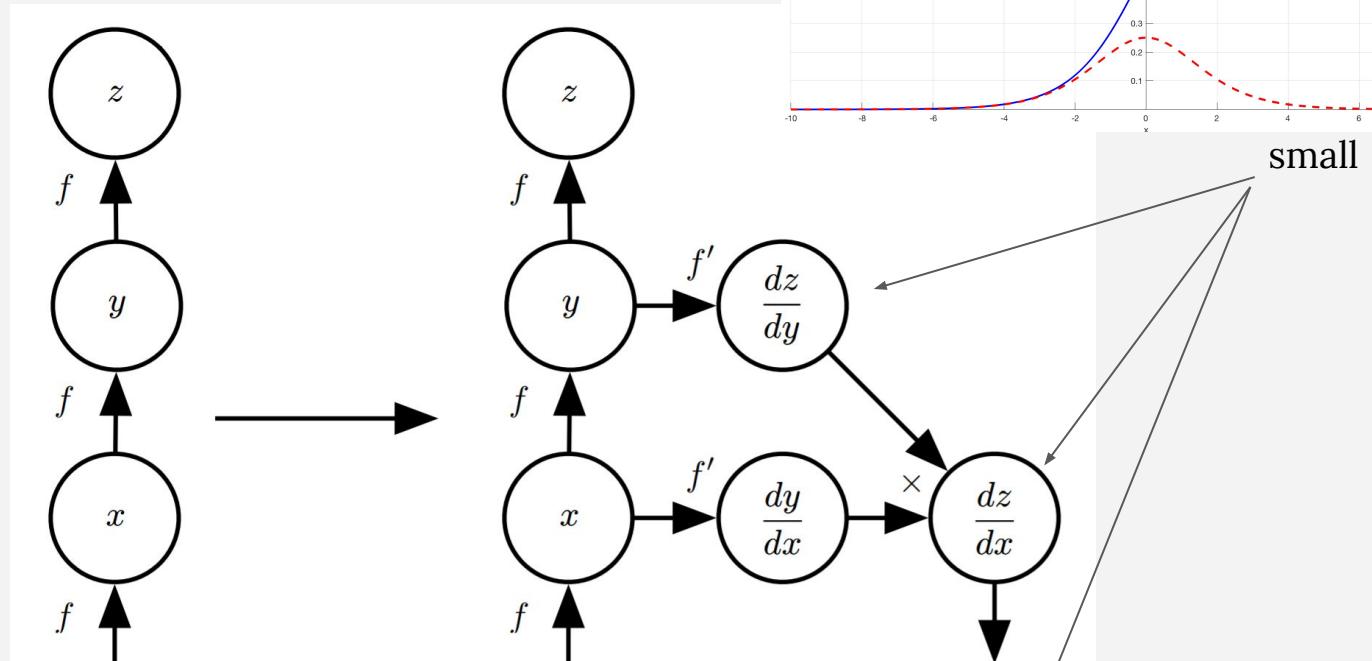
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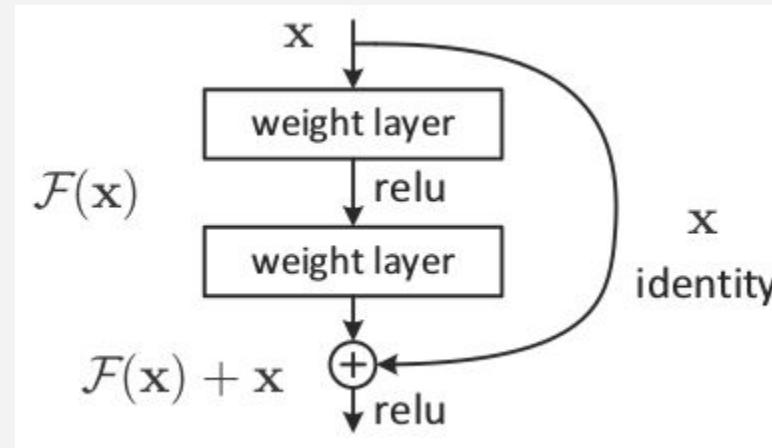
Vanishing Gradient Problem



Gradient becomes too small for earlier layers \rightarrow no learning for them

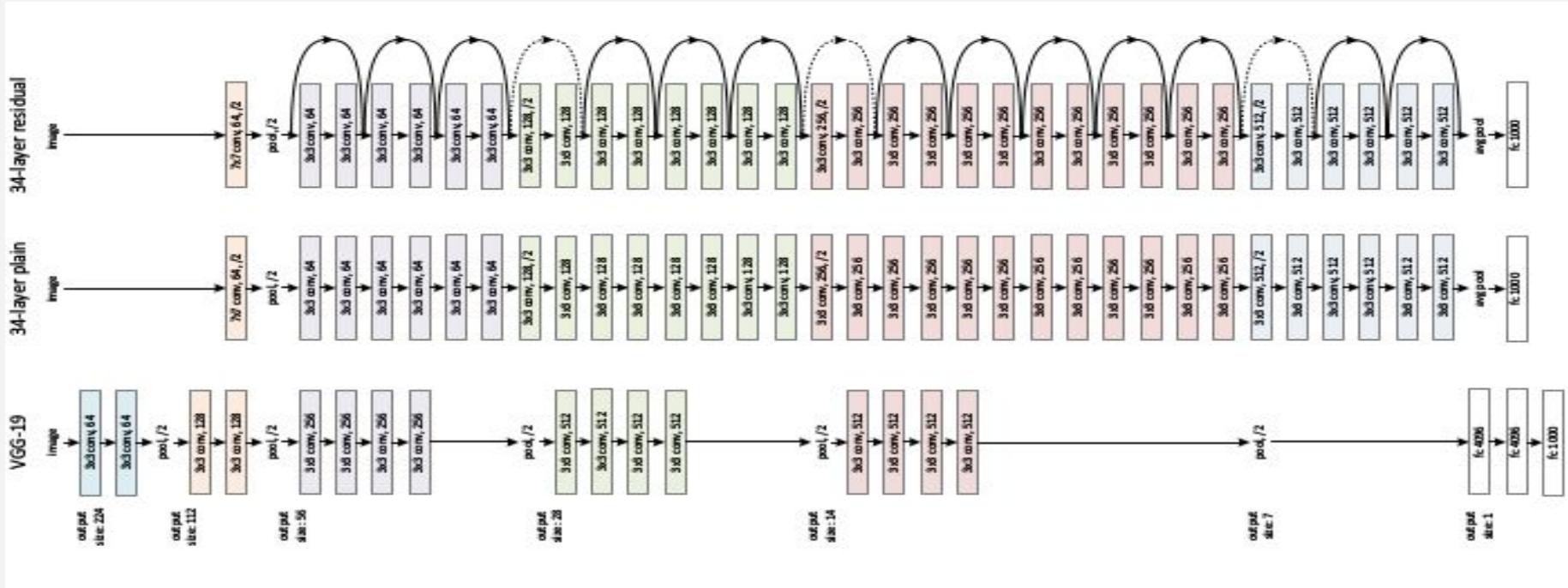
Solutions: ResNet

Residual Network Basic Block



Always has gradients larger than 0

Solutions: ResNet



Solutions: BatchNorm

Input: Values of x over a mini-batch: $\mathcal{B} = \{x_1 \dots m\}$;

Parameters to be learned: γ, β

Output: $\{y_i = \text{BN}_{\gamma, \beta}(x_i)\}$

$$\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \quad // \text{mini-batch mean}$$

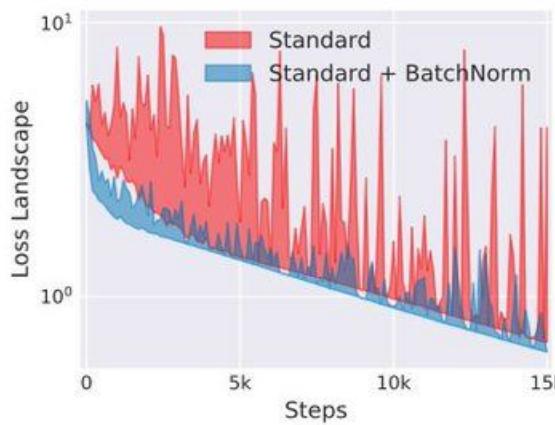
$$\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2 \quad // \text{mini-batch variance}$$

$$\hat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}} \quad // \text{normalize}$$

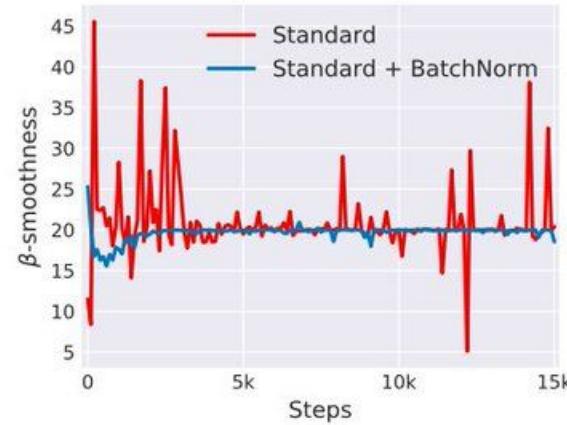
$$y_i \leftarrow \gamma \hat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \text{BN}_{\gamma, \beta}(x_i) \quad // \text{scale and shift}$$

Solutions: BatchNorm

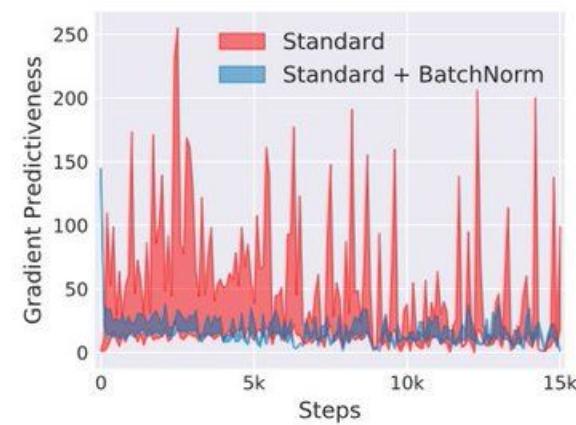
Stabilize training, prevent gradient exploding / vanishing.



(a) loss landscape



(b) “effective” β -smoothness



(c) gradient predictiveness

Deep Neural Networks are prone to overfitting

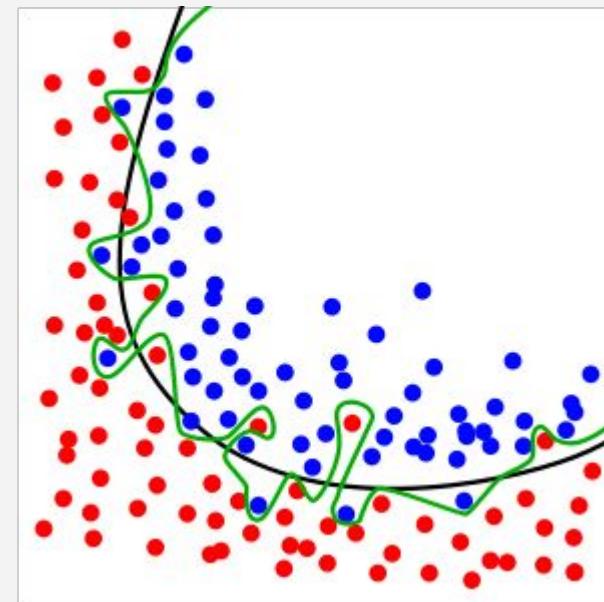
Regularization

L1 Norm

Prefer sparse weights

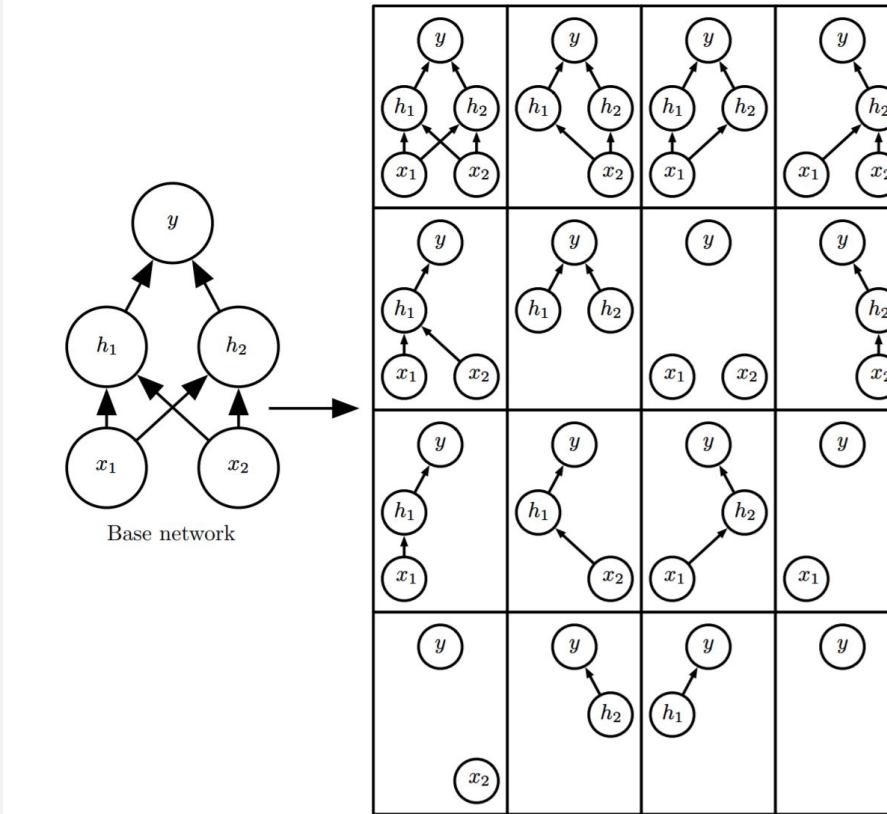
L2 Norm

Prefer smaller weights



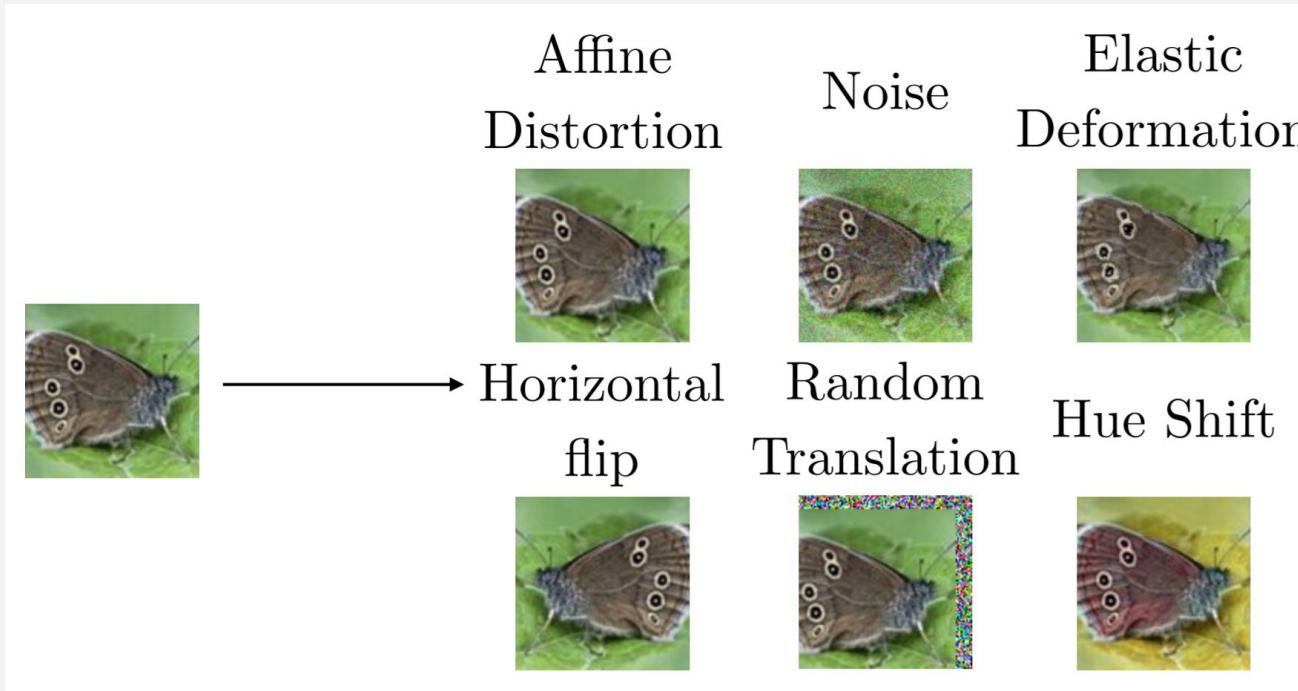
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Dropout



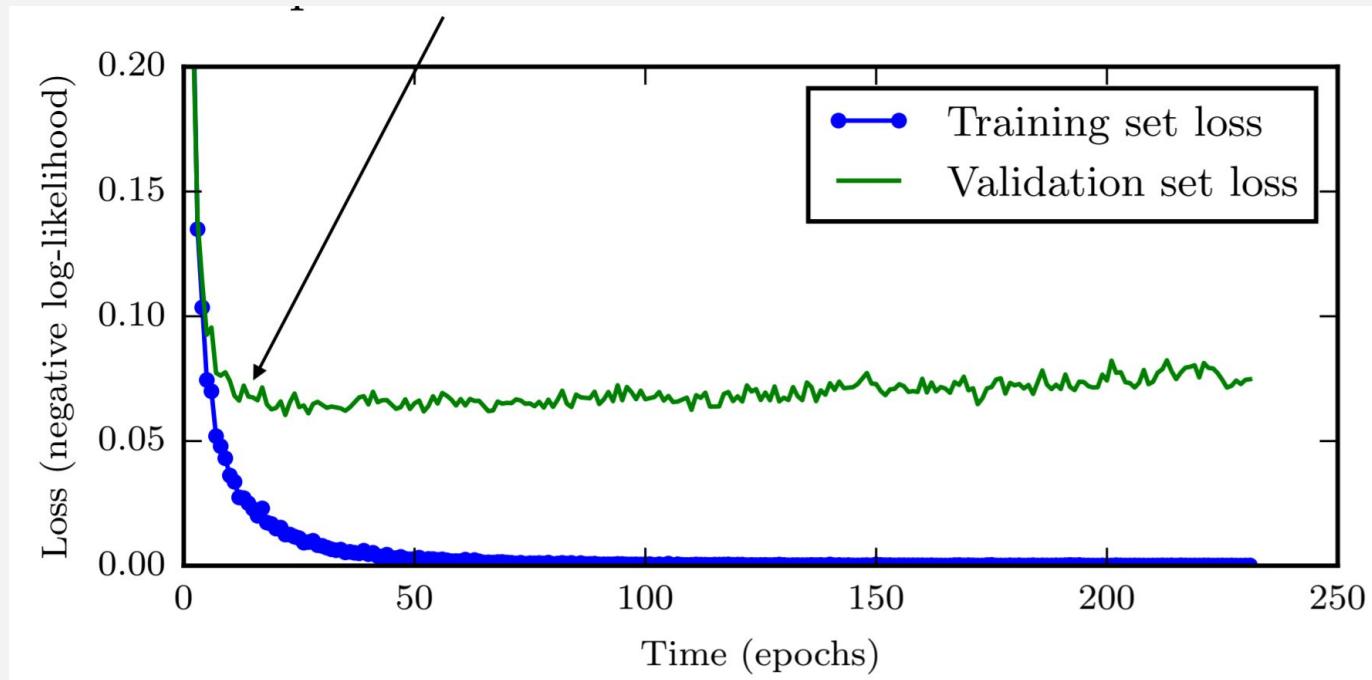
Regularization

Data Augmentation



Regularization

Early Stopping



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Convolutional
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Dynamic Data

Recurrent
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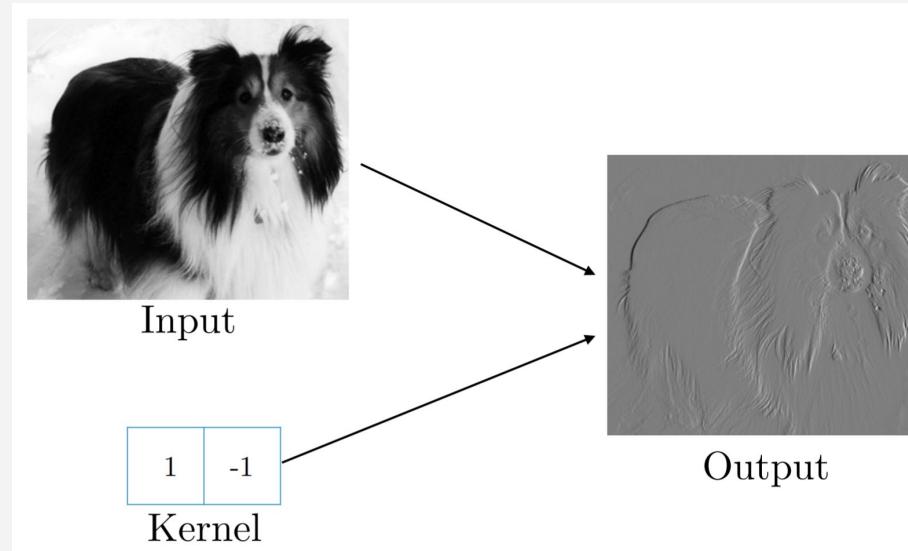
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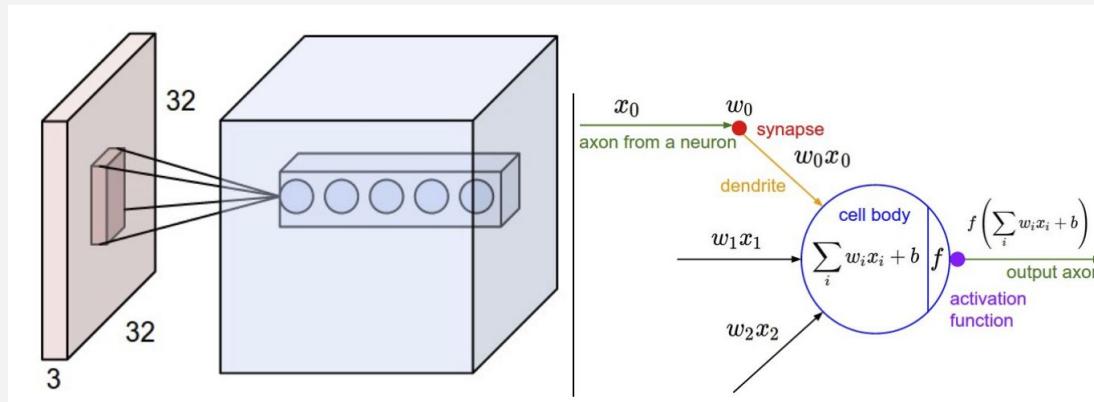
Convolutional Networks

Convolution

A local operation that extracts information from data.



Convolutional Networks

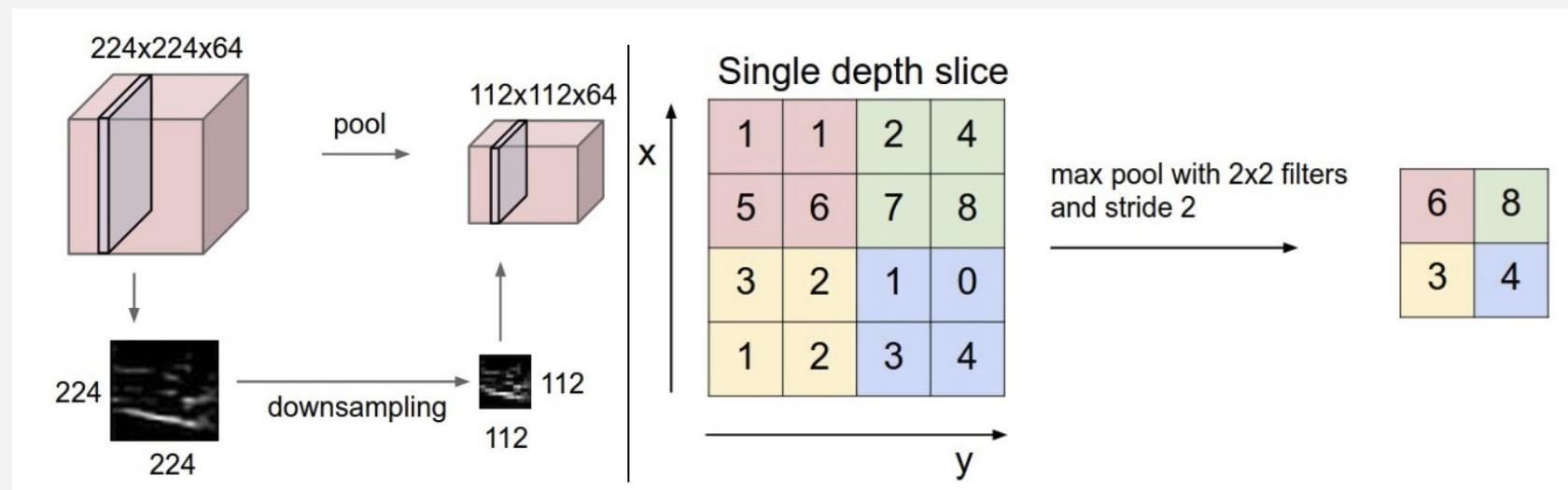


Convolution in action:

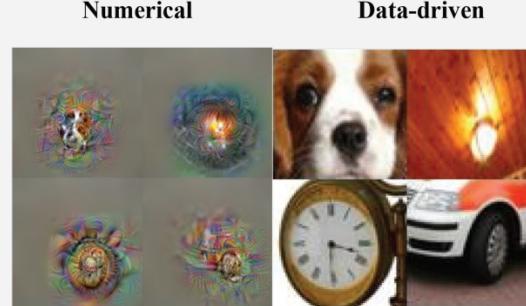
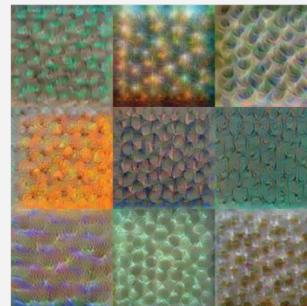
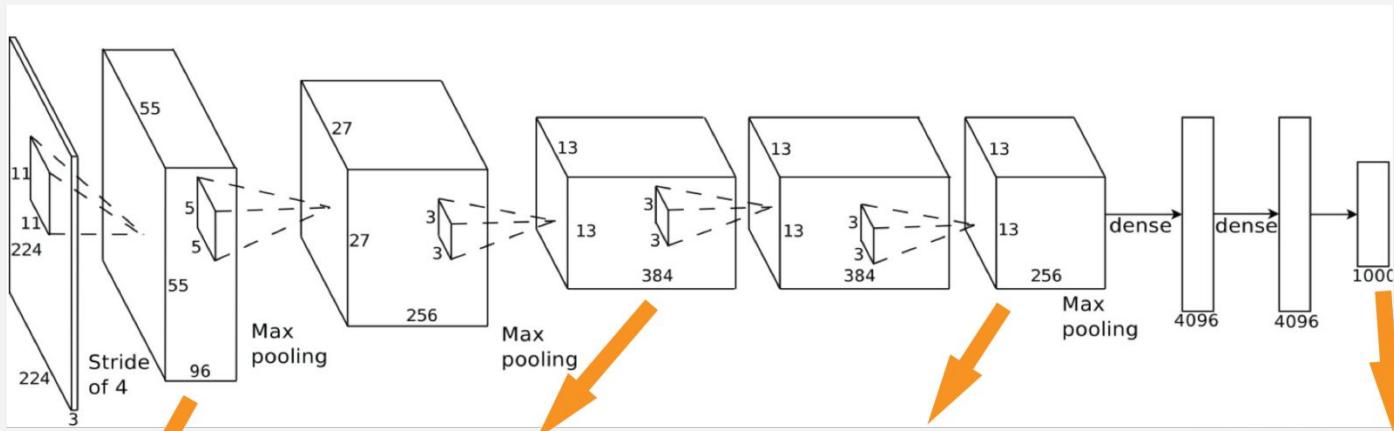
<http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/>

Convolutional Networks

Pooling



Convolutional Networks



dinning table
grocery store

Convolutional Networks

Good for:

Data with translation invariance and shared statistics.

Data that can benefit from different levels of abstraction.

Not so good for:

Dynamic data.

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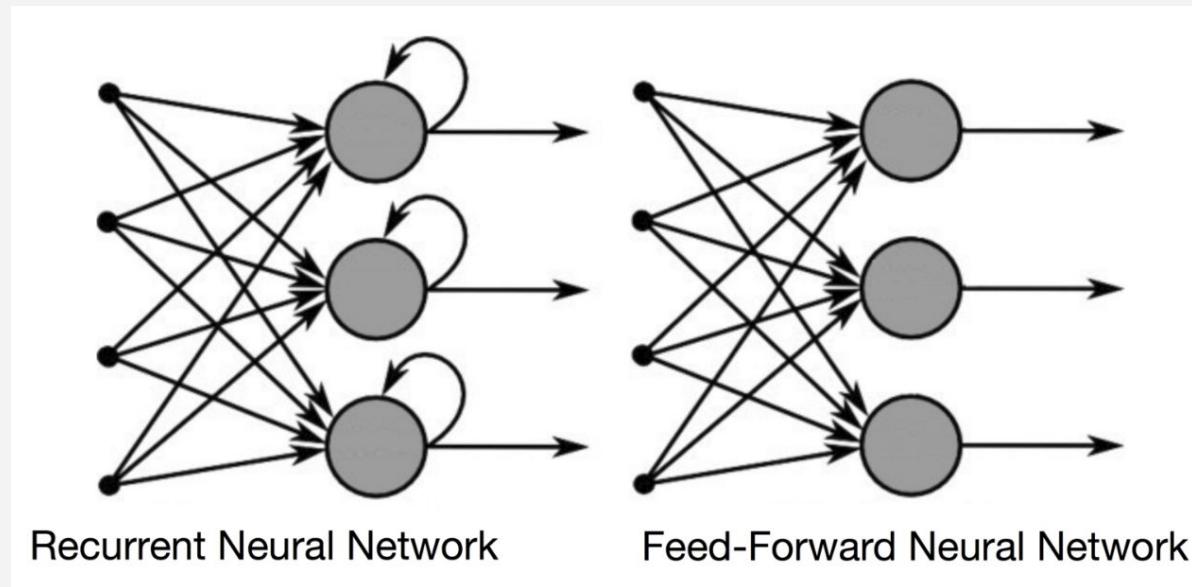
Data changes over time.



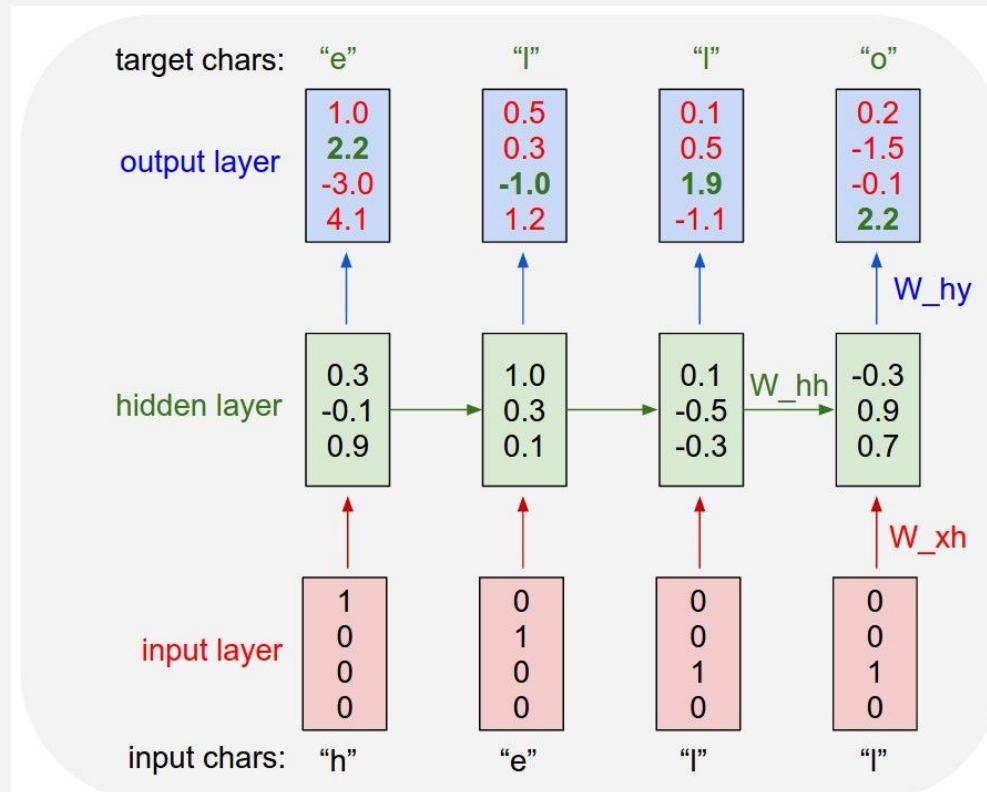
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Recurrent Networks

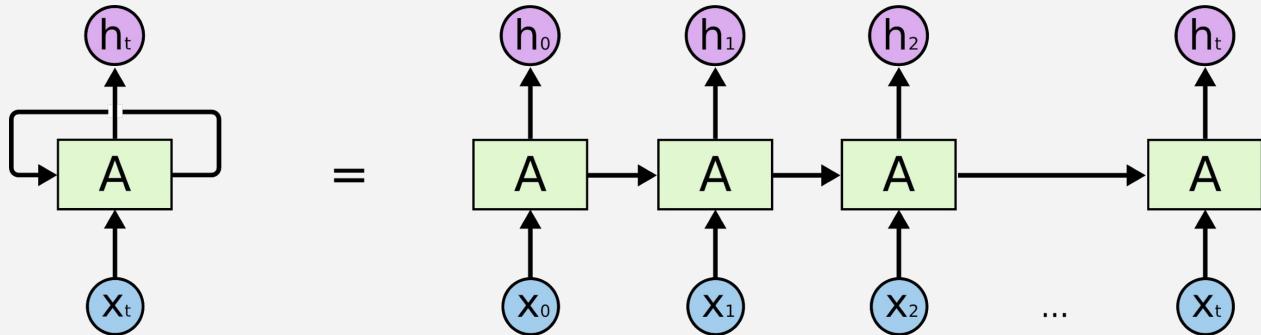
A model's output is not just depending on the current input



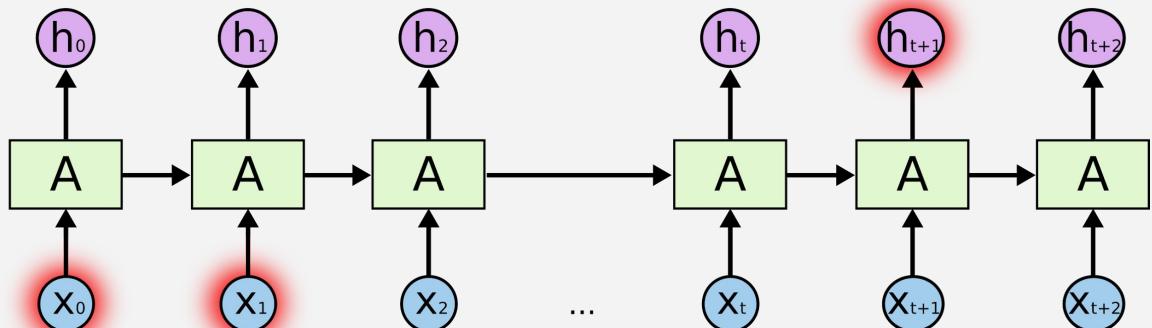
Recurrent Networks



Unrolled RNNs

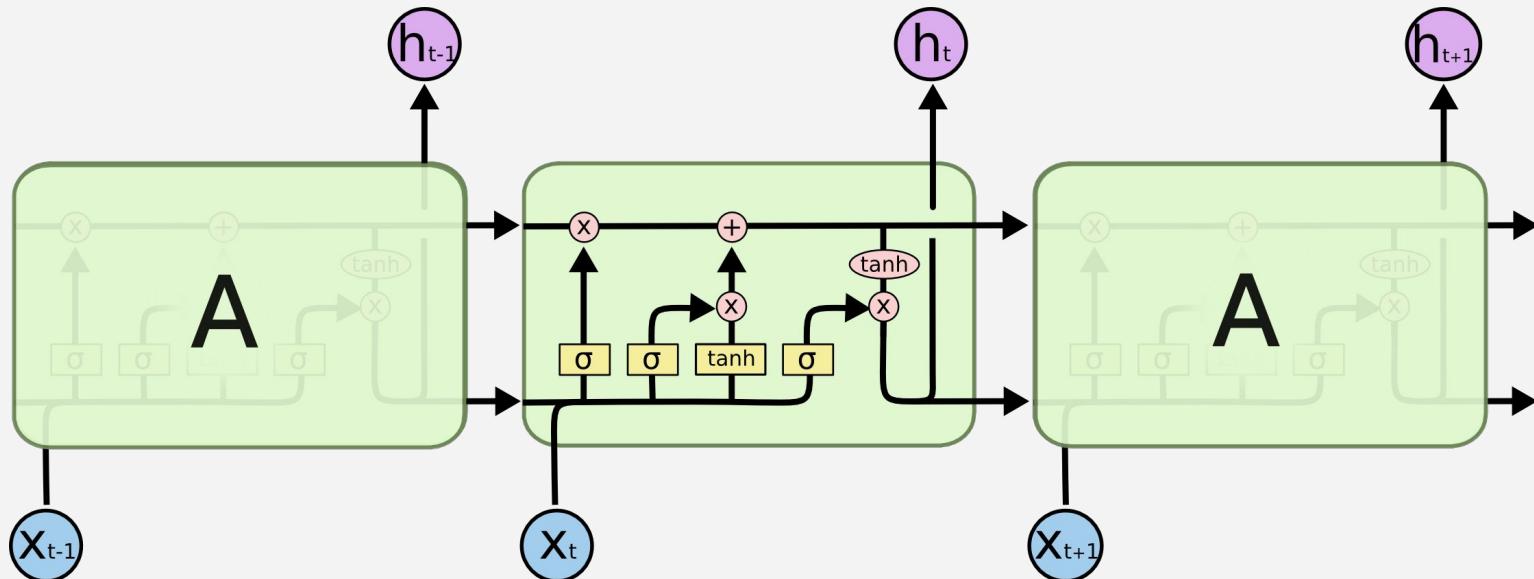


Long term relations



Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) Networks

Being able to remember... and forget!



Recurrent Networks

Good for:

Dynamic data.

Not so good:

Might be tricky to train.

An interesting [read](#).

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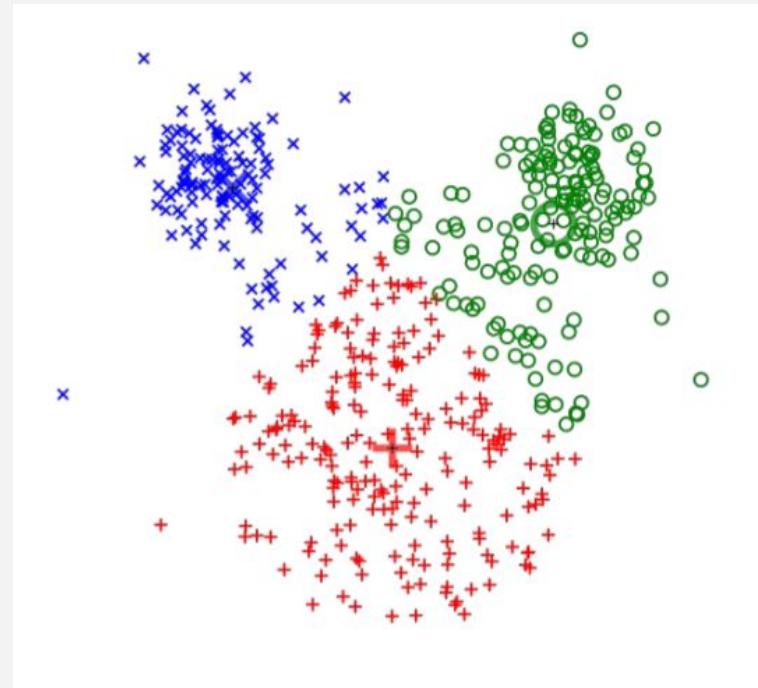
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Generative Models

We have data, but no labels.

Goal

Recover underlying structures of
the data.



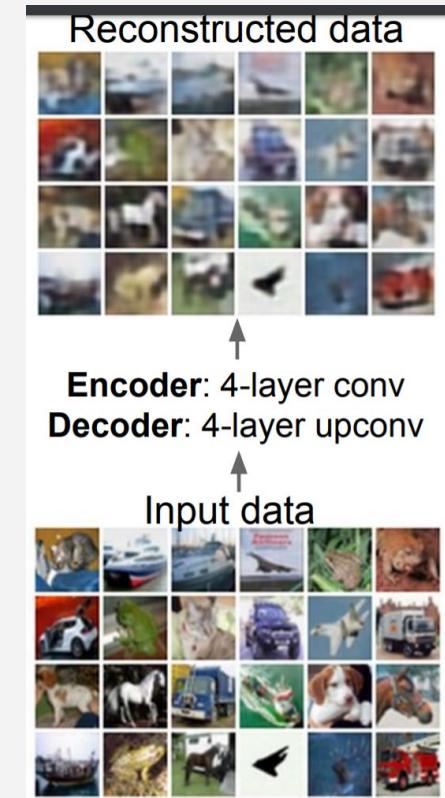
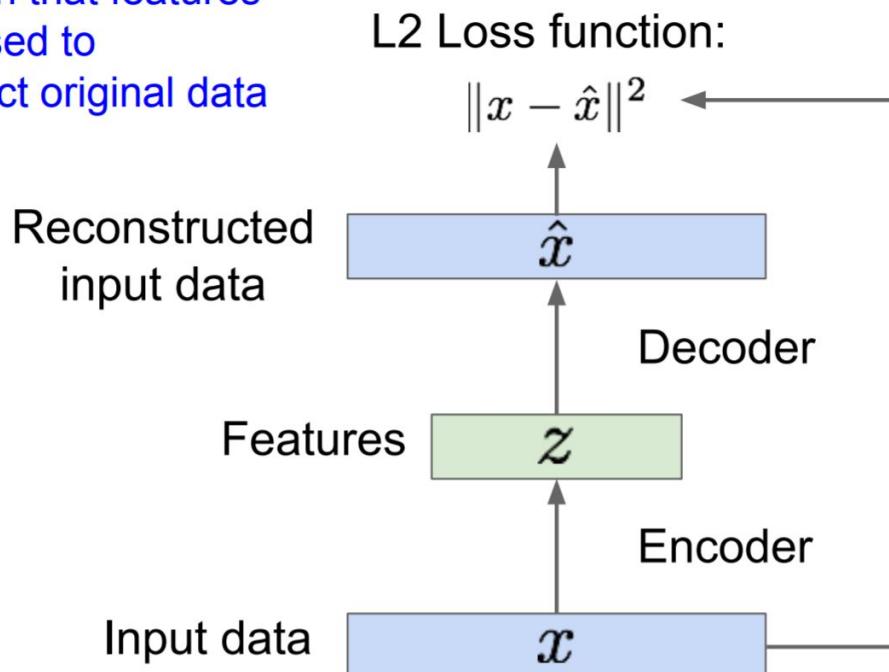
Generative Models

- Realistic samples for artwork, super-resolution, colorization, etc.



Autoencoder

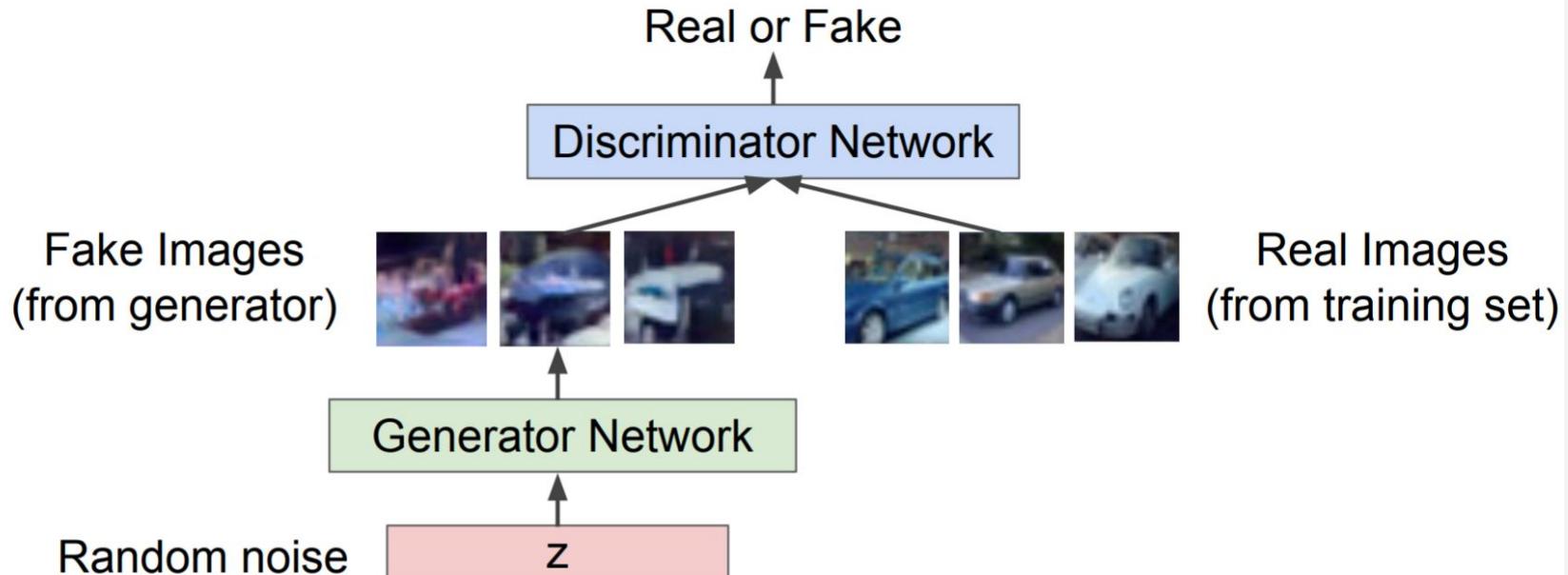
Train such that features can be used to reconstruct original data



Generative Adversarial Networks

Generator network: try to fool the discriminator by generating real-looking images

Discriminator network: try to distinguish between real and fake images



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Research Frontiers

Deeper and Bigger Networks

Distributed training

More Efficient Networks

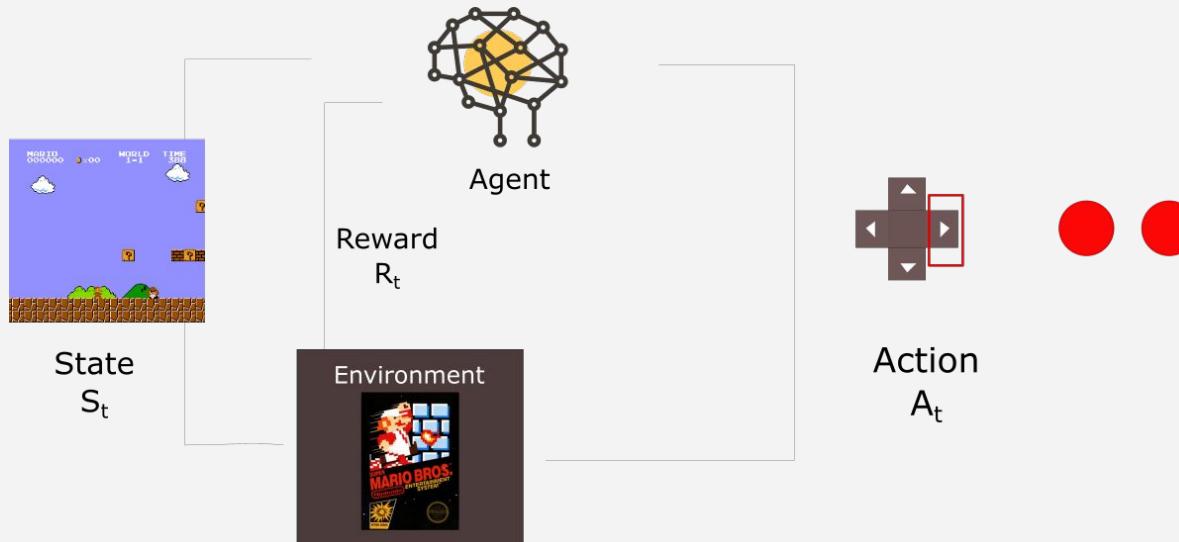
Network compression / Binary networks

Understanding Networks

The explainability of neural networks

Research Frontiers

Reinforcement Learning is trying to solve a very different problem than standard ML: instead of supervision, we are given a vague signal called ‘reward’.



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