

Lesson 13

- Introduction to Deep Learning:
 - Optimization
 - Training
 - Regularization

Research Projects

Abstract

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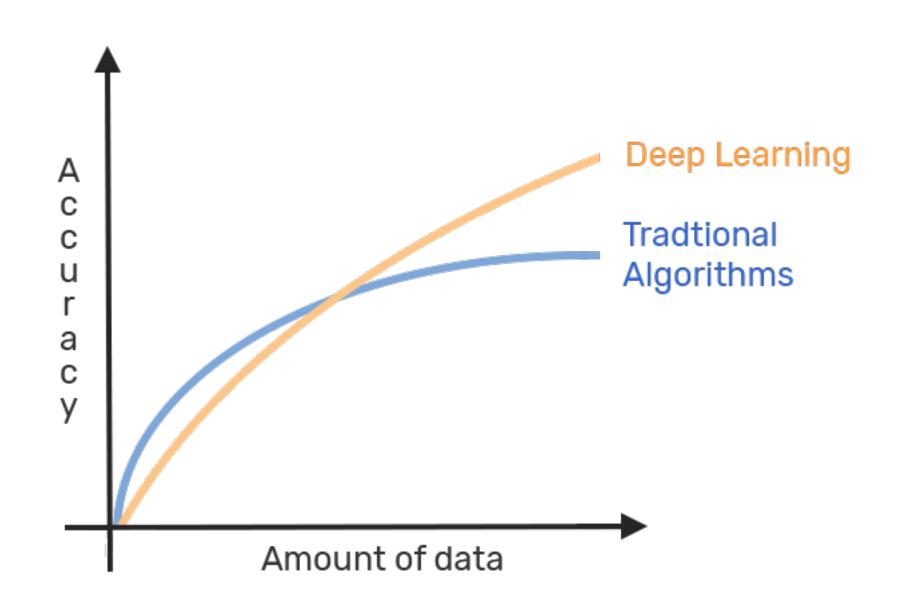
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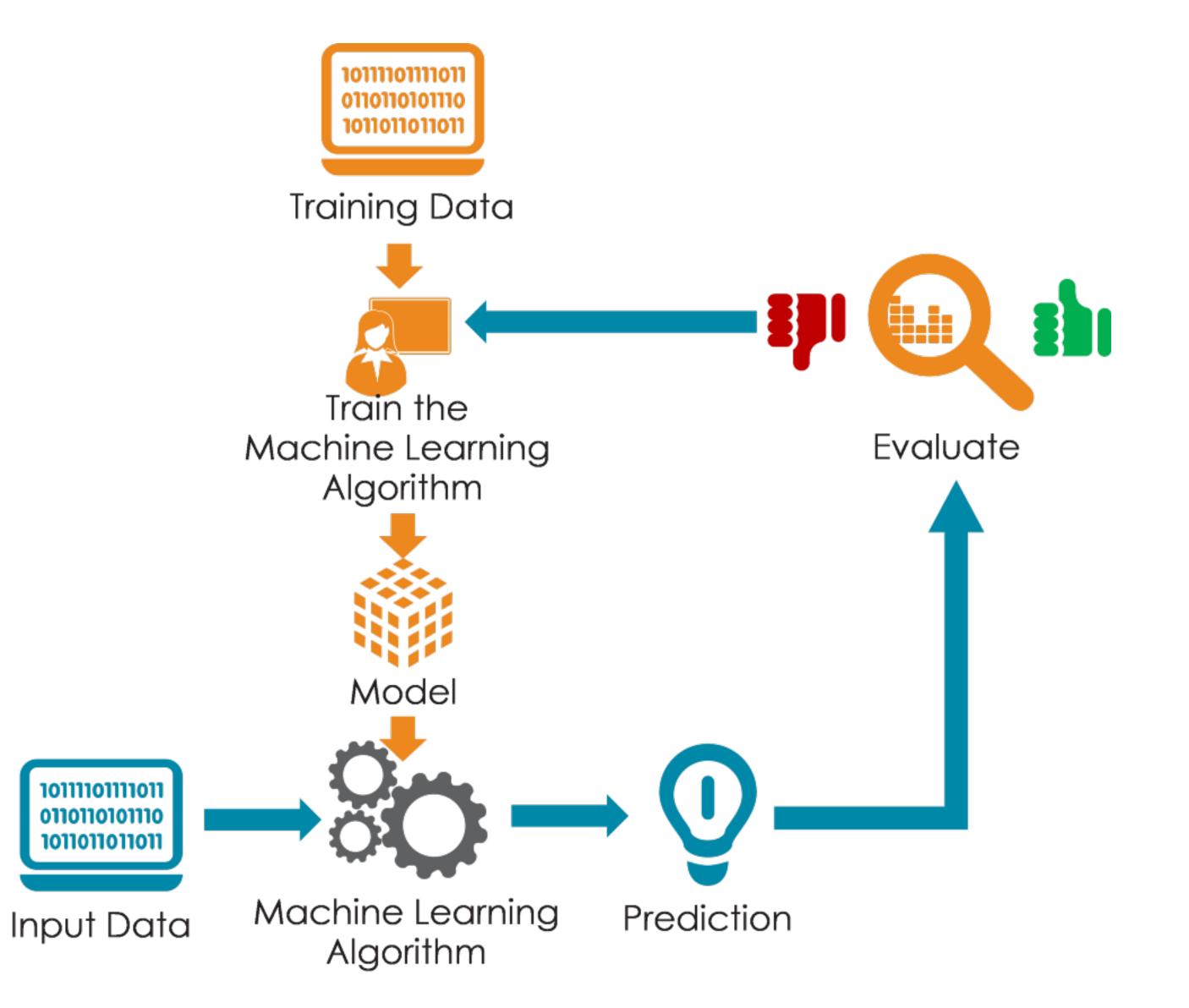
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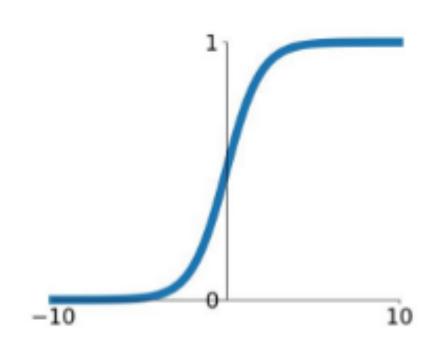
Training



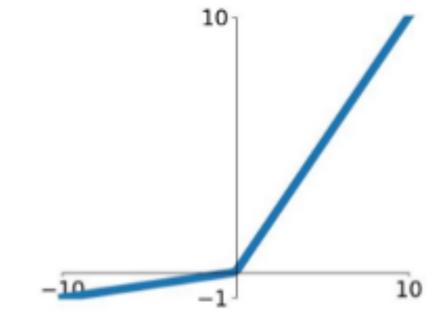
Activation Function

Sigmoid

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

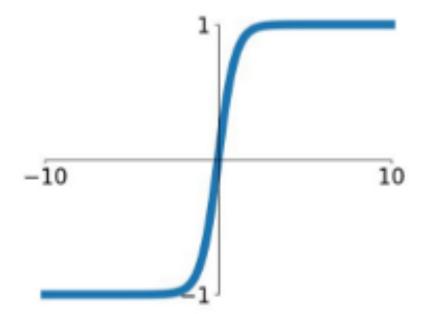


Leaky ReLU $\max(0.1x, x)$



tanh

tanh(x)

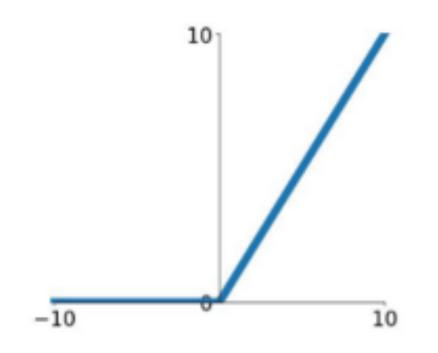


Maxout

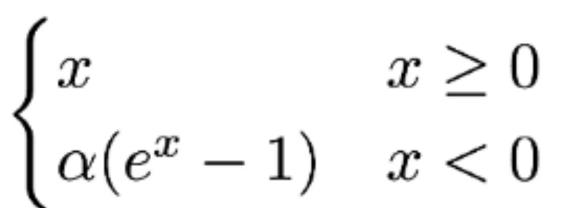
 $\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$

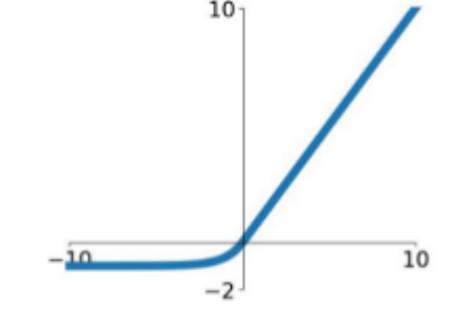
ReLU

 $\max(0,x)$



ELU





Activation Function

Best Practices

- Use ReLU in hidden layer activation, but be careful with the learning rate and monitor the fraction of dead units.
- If ReLU is giving problems. Try Leaky ReLU, PReLU, Maxout. Do not use sigmoid
- Normalize the data in order to achieve higher validation accuracy, and standardize if you need the results faster
- The sigmoid and hyperbolic tangent activation functions cannot be used in networks with many layers due to the vanishing gradient problem.

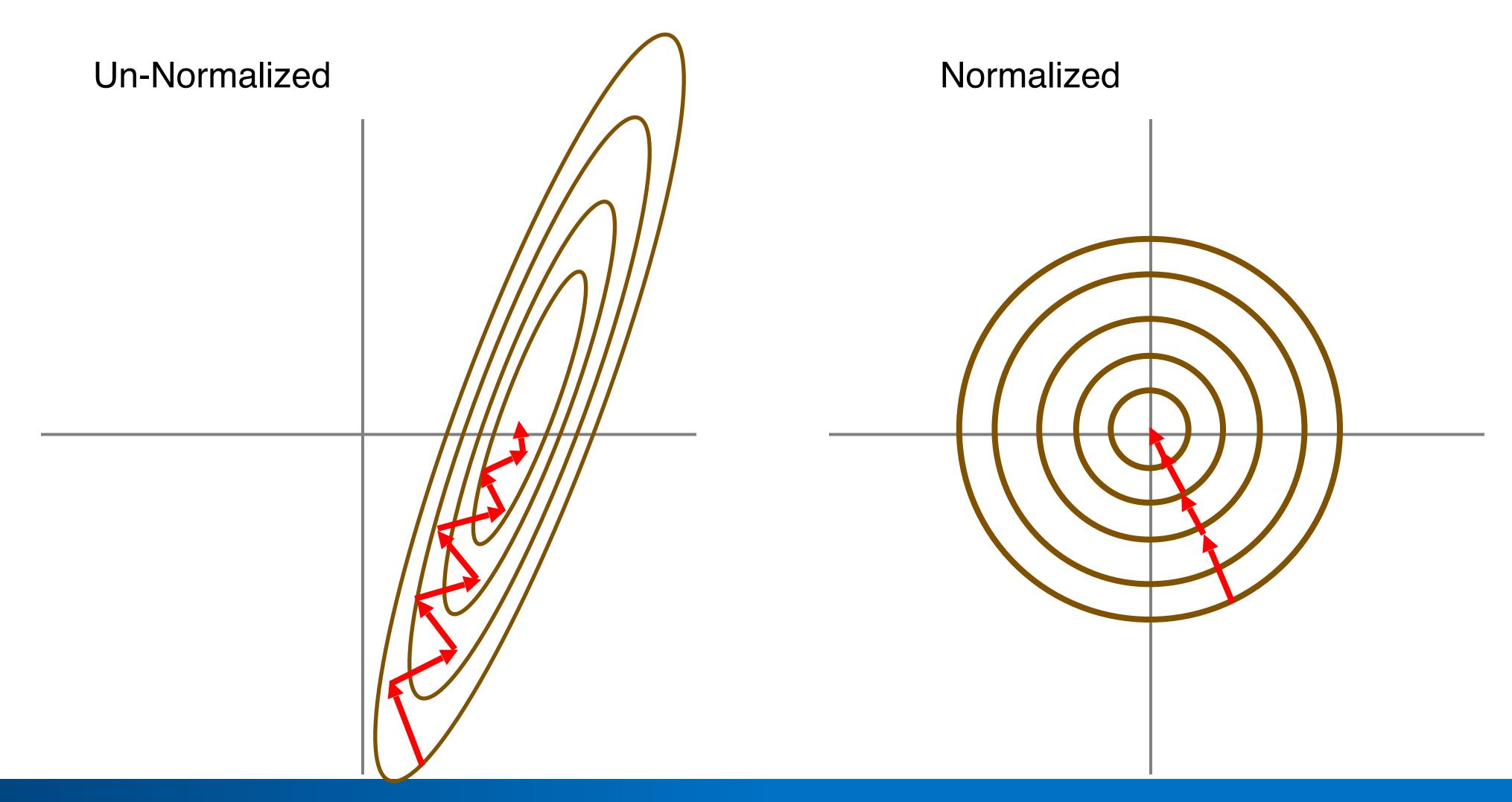
Optimization

- AdaGrad (Adaptive Gradient)
 - Adapt the learning rate to the parameters large updates for infrequent params, small for frequent.
 - Problem: accumulates squared gradients in the denominator.

AdaDelta

- AdaGrad with gradient clipping set a fixed number of accumulated past gradients.
- ADAM (ADAptive Moment Estimation)
 - For each parameter, calculate an adaptive learning rate.
 - Accumulate 2 exponentially decaying averages: past squared gradients and past gradients.

Normalization



Shifting and rescaling

To have inputs range [0, 1]:
$$x_i = \frac{x_i - x_{min}}{x_{max} - x_{min}}$$

To have inputs range [-1, 1]:
$$x_i = 2\left(\frac{x_i - x_{min}}{x_{max} - x_{min}}\right) - 1$$

Normalizing

Mean zero, standard deviation one

$$x_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{\sigma}; \qquad \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

Regularization

- Goal: prevent overfitting
 - Network should generalize beyond the data!

- How?
 - One way: prevent large weights from dominating (penalize them)

L2 Regularization

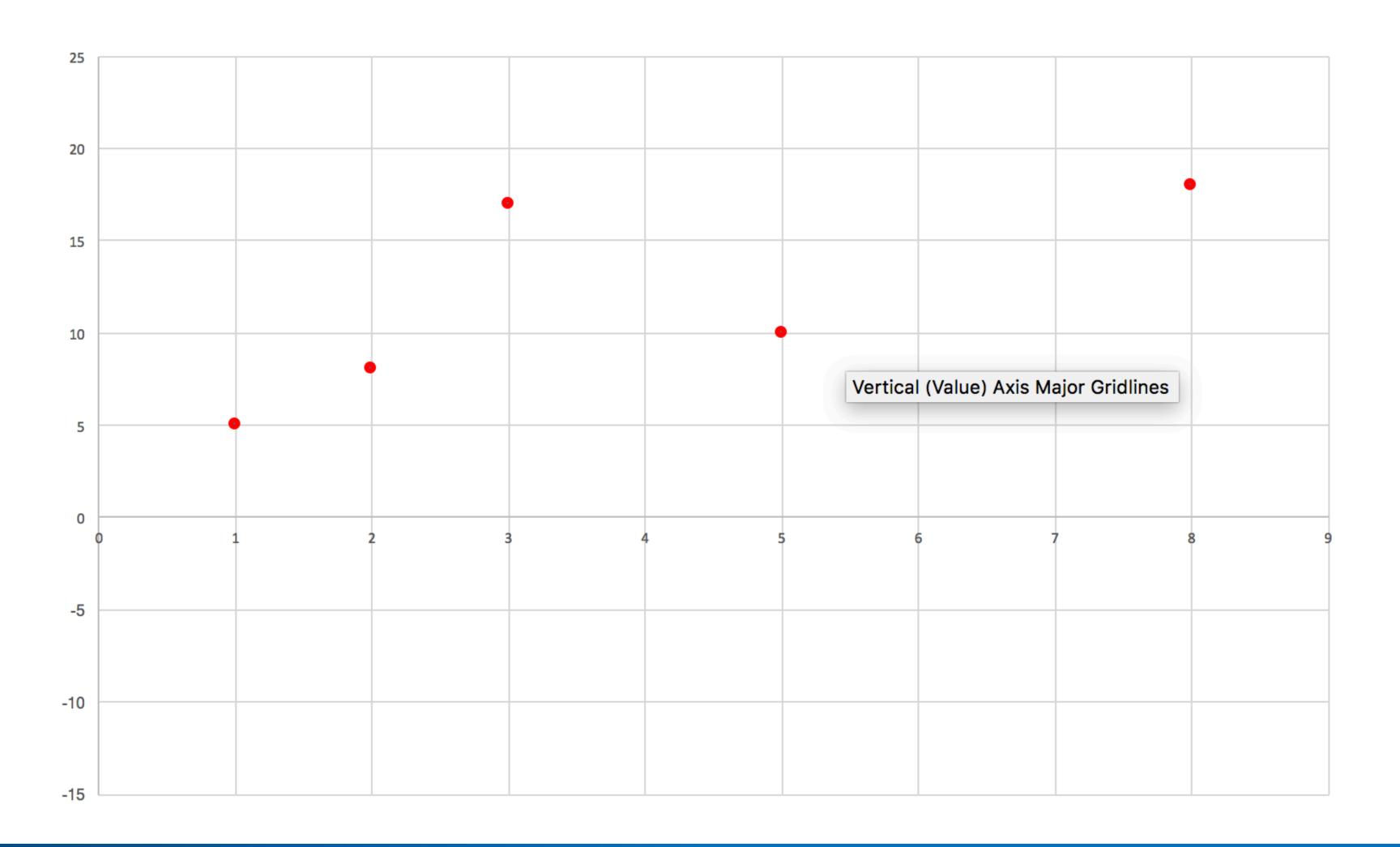
Adjust loss function to include a second term

$$J = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\hat{y}_i - y_i \right)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{m} w_j^2$$

- Lambda is the regularization hyper-parameter
 - Bigger means more regularization
 - More penalty for big weights
 - Less attention to raw data fit

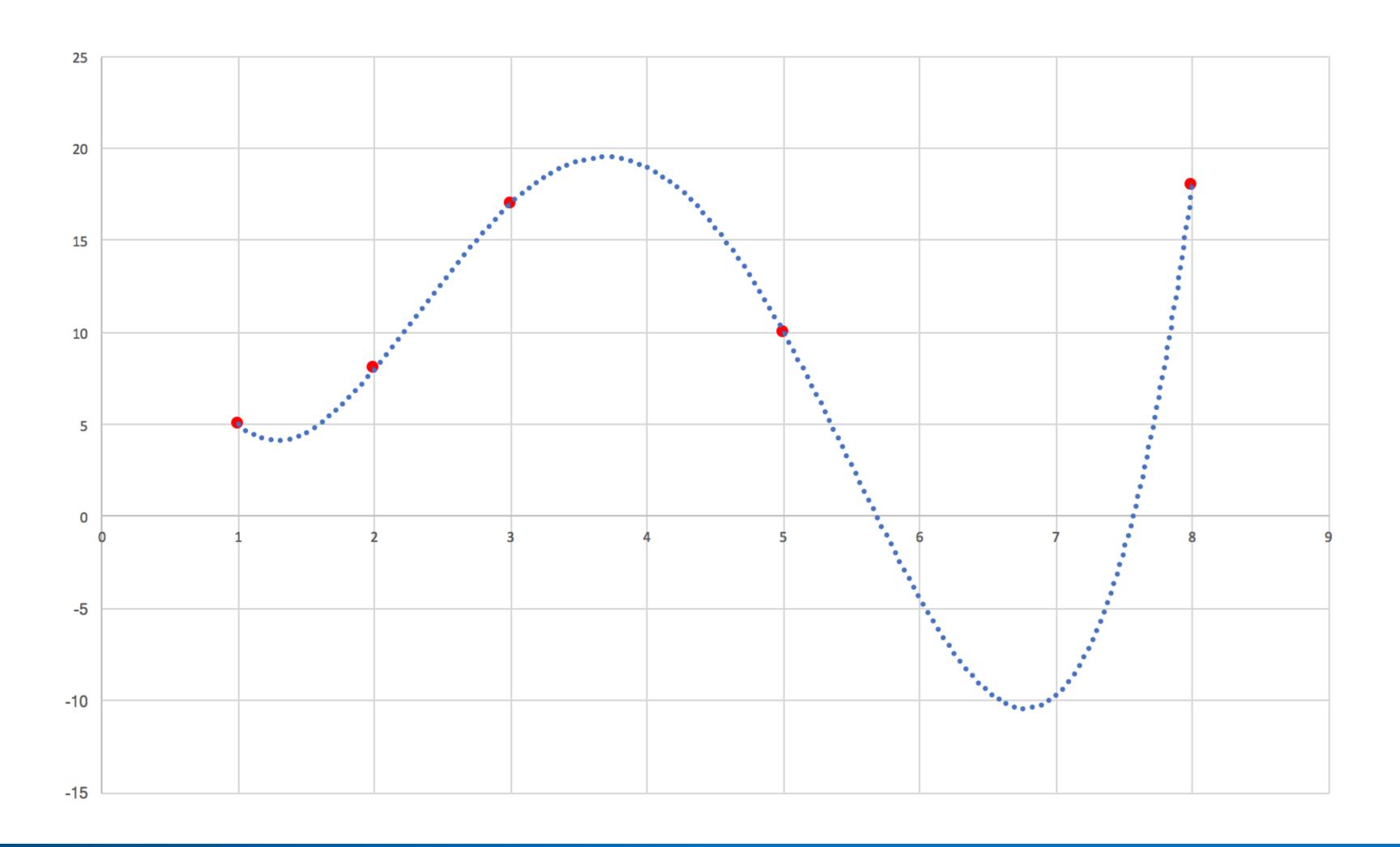


Scatter Plot



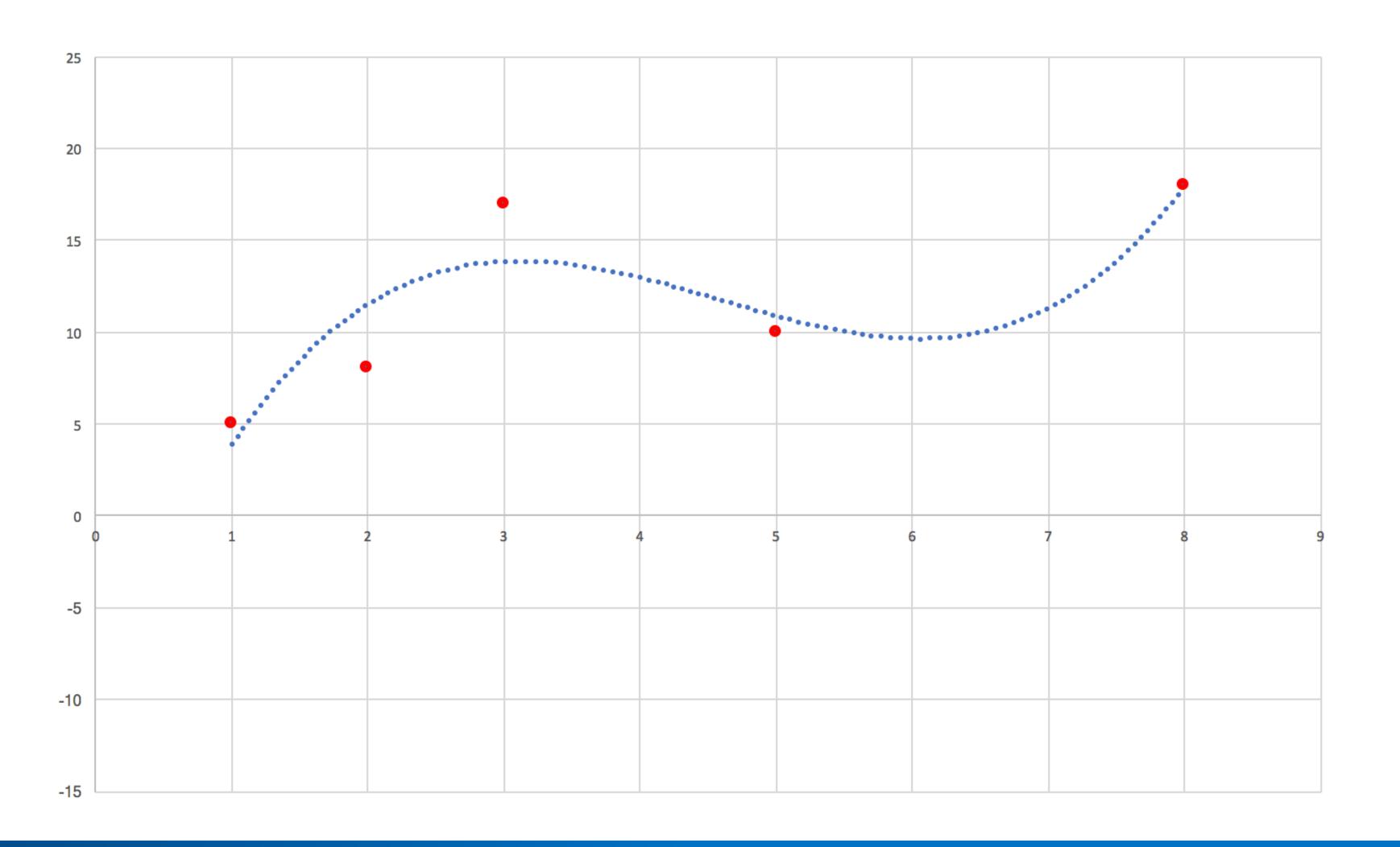


Overfitting



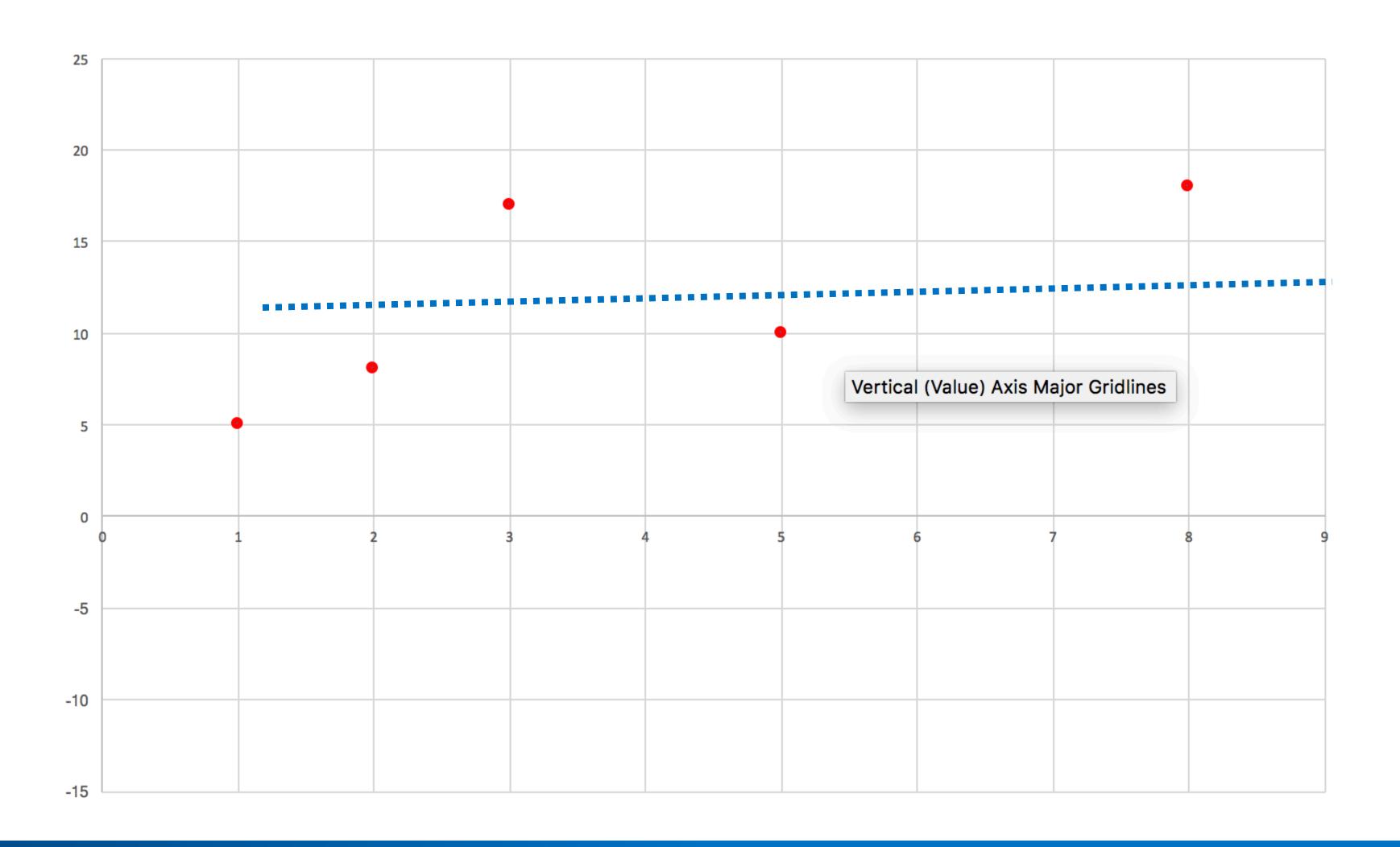


Possible model after regularization





Too much regularization!





Batching

Full batch gradient descent

So far in this class, we've passed the full training dataset into our model for each training step

Pro: we get an exact derivative for the training set

Con: Right now- it's *really* slow. Soon, it won't be computationally feasible.

What can we do?



Mini-batching

Idea: Estimate derivative with a sample of training data

Pro: much faster to compute

Con: don't get the exact derivative

Side effect: can potentially get out of local minima, if loss function has them



Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)

At an extreme, use a single example to estimate derivative

Mini-batch with a size of 1

Also known as online training

Movement along the error curve is much more sporadic

But also much easier to compute



Batching terminology cheat-sheet

Full-batch gradient descent

Use all of training data per step

Mini-batch gradient descent

Use small portion of training data per step

Stochastic gradient descent (SGD)

- Use single example per step
- Occasionally refers to mini-batch gradient descent



Epochs

An epoch refers to one entire pass through the dataset

The number of times a model has seen each training example



Shuffling

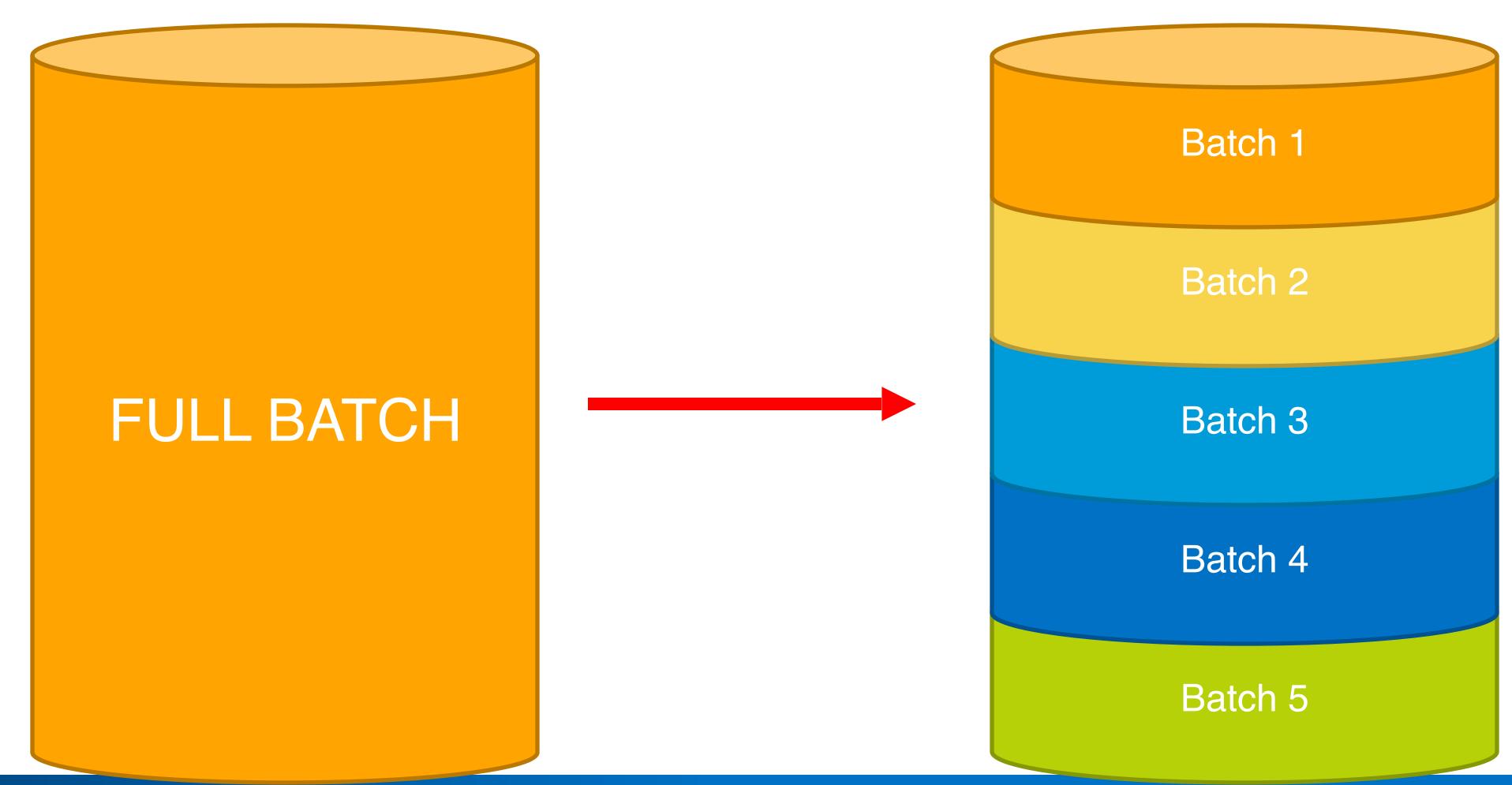
If we are using our data piecemeal, we must be careful:

- Don't want to oversample
- Avoid reusing same mini-batch over and over

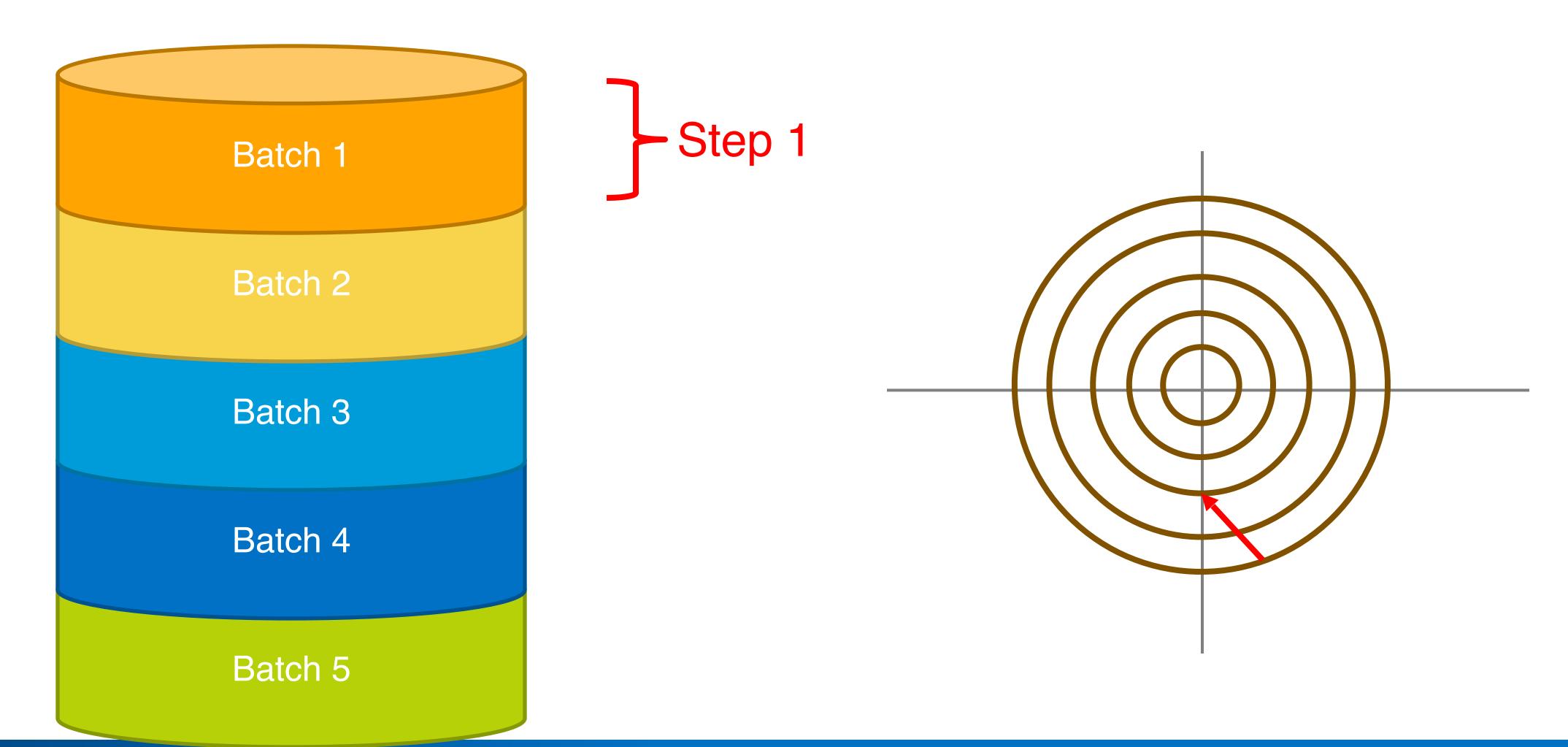
Solution: shuffle training data after each epoch

• Shuffle, make batches, repeat

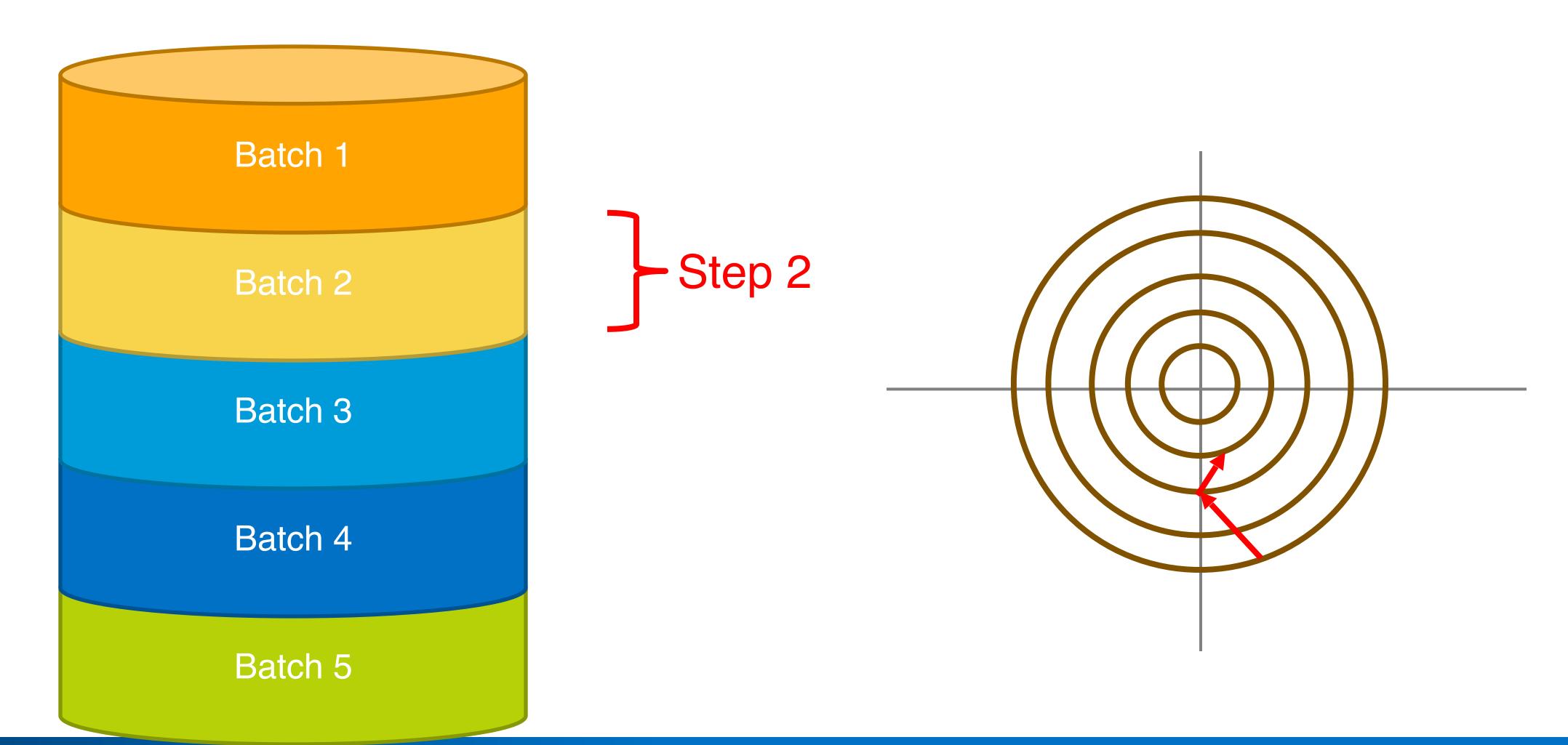




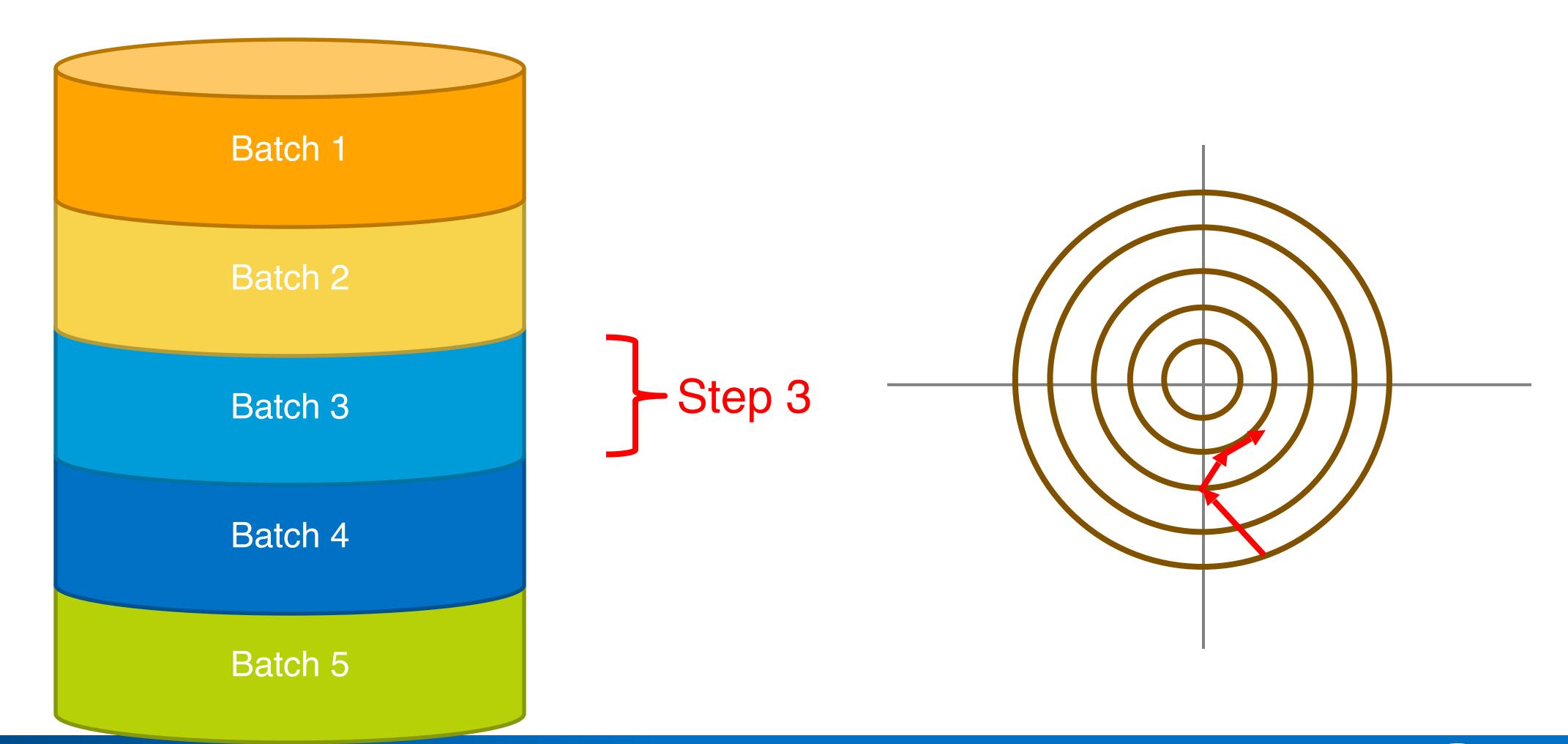




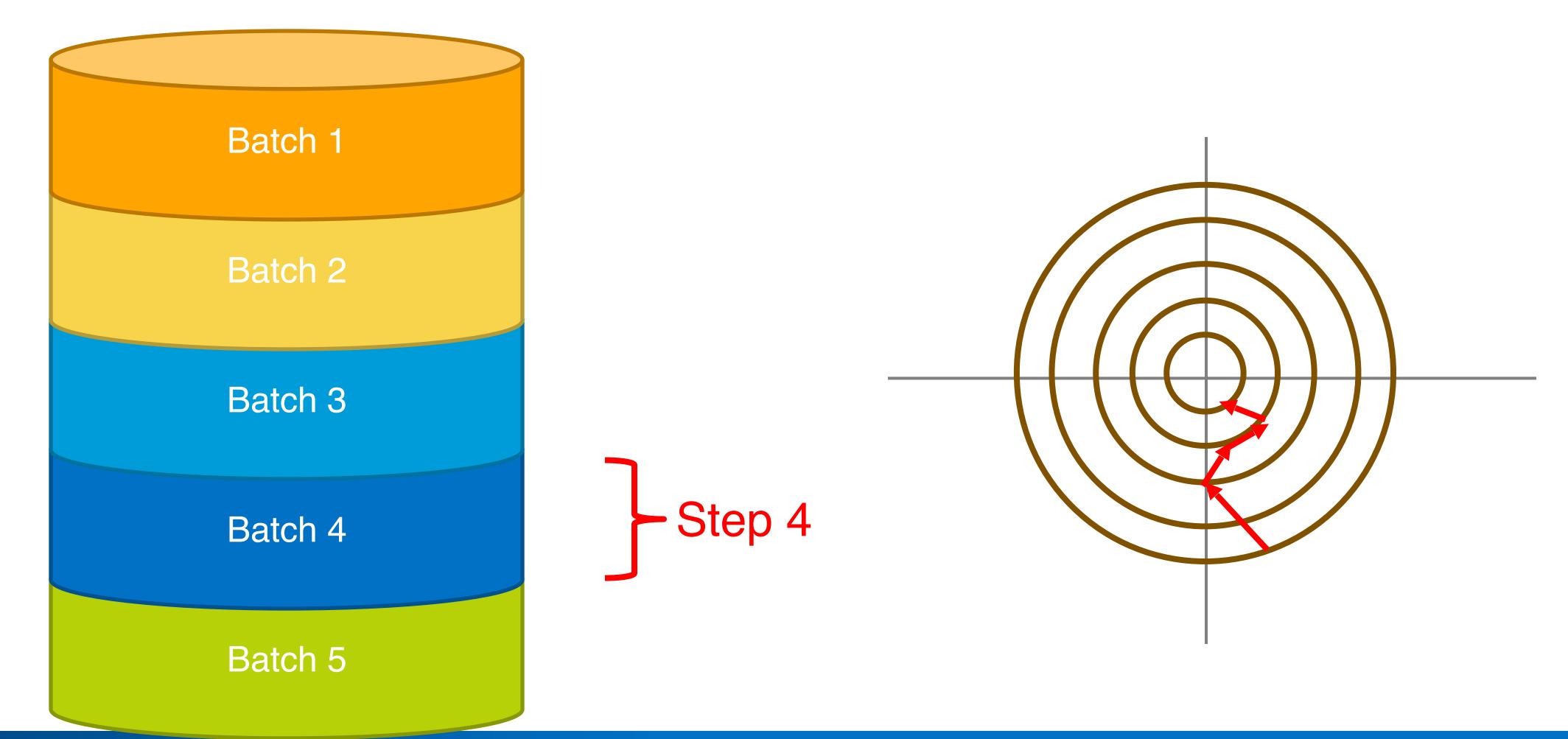




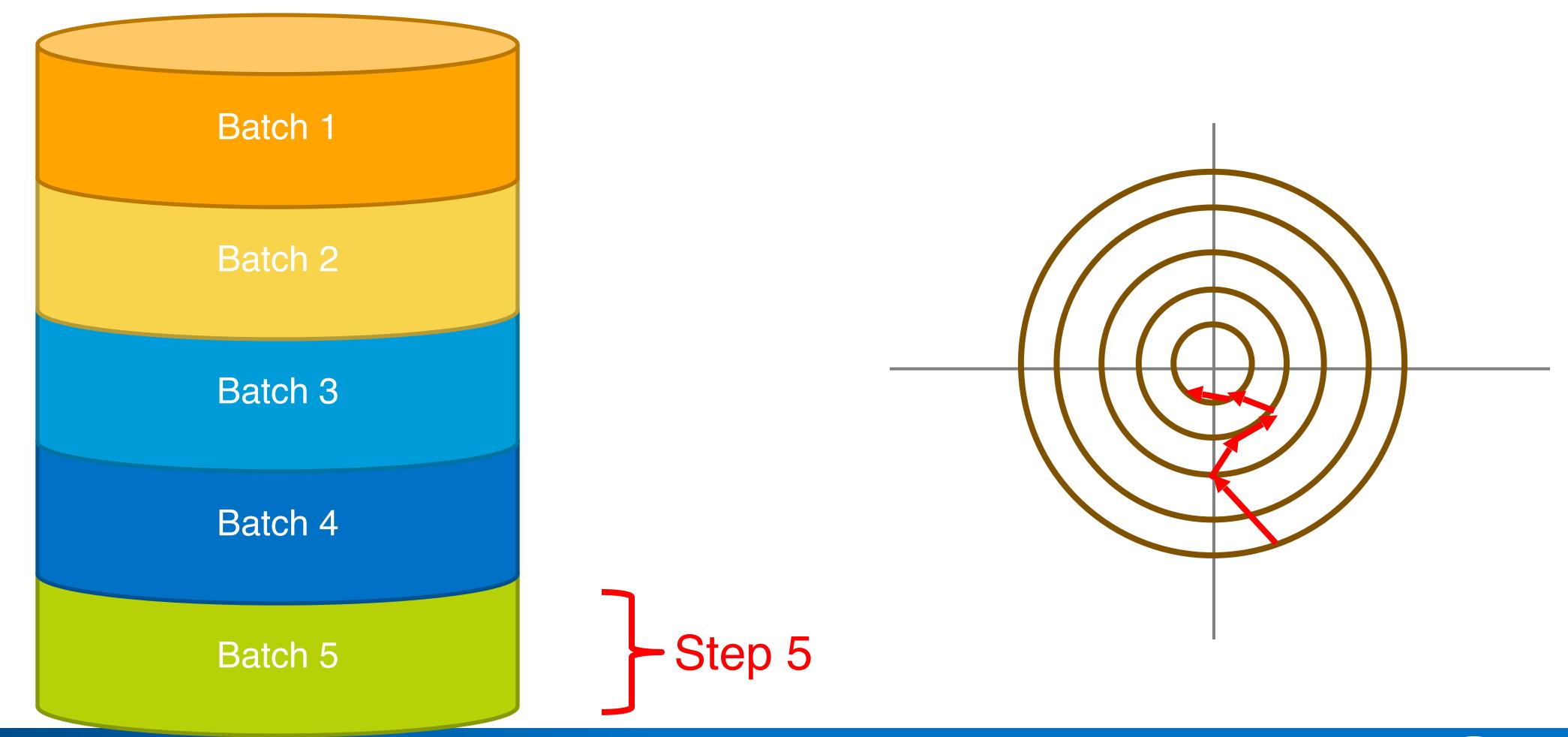






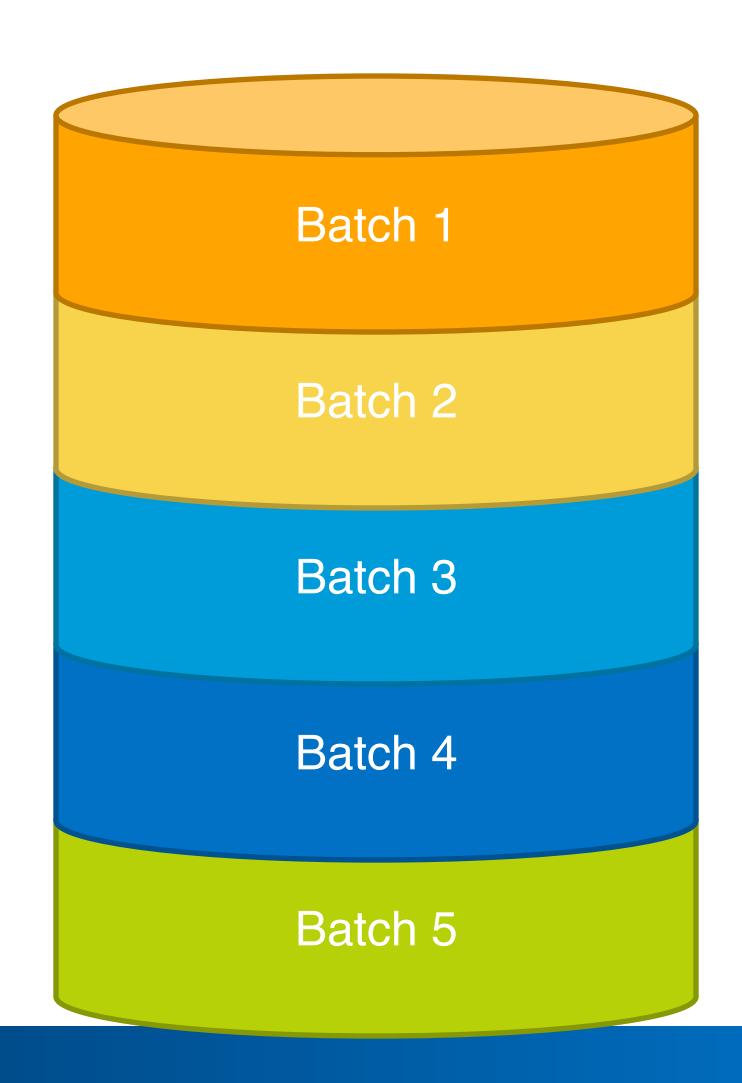


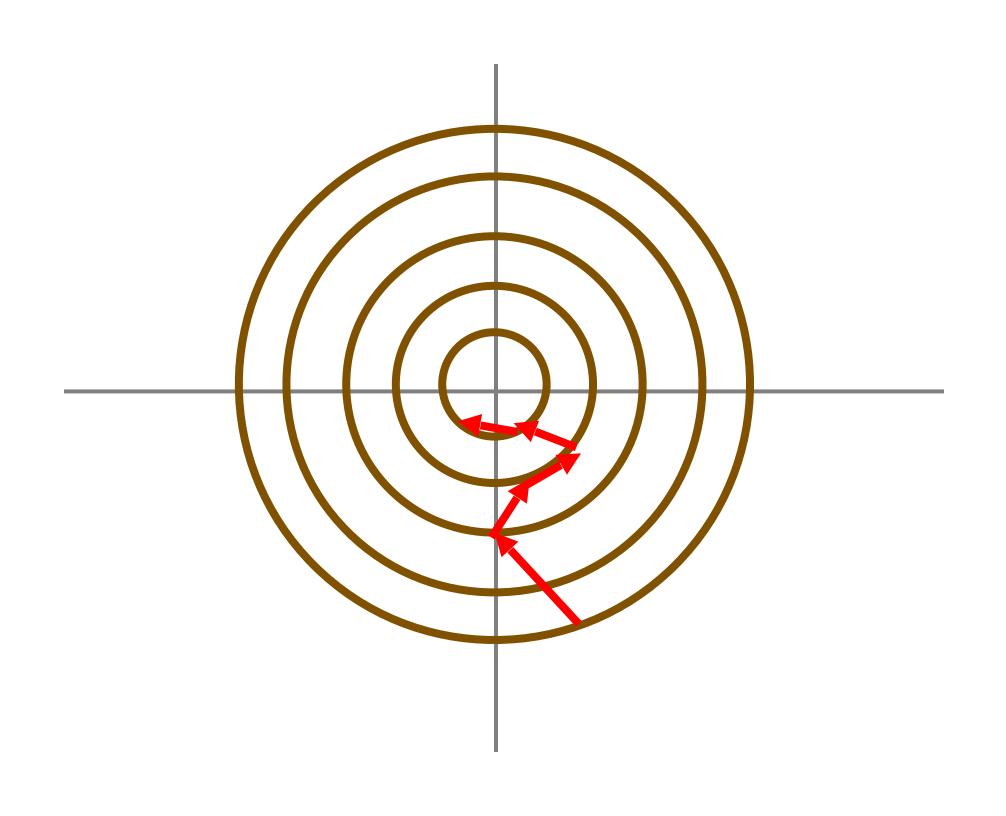






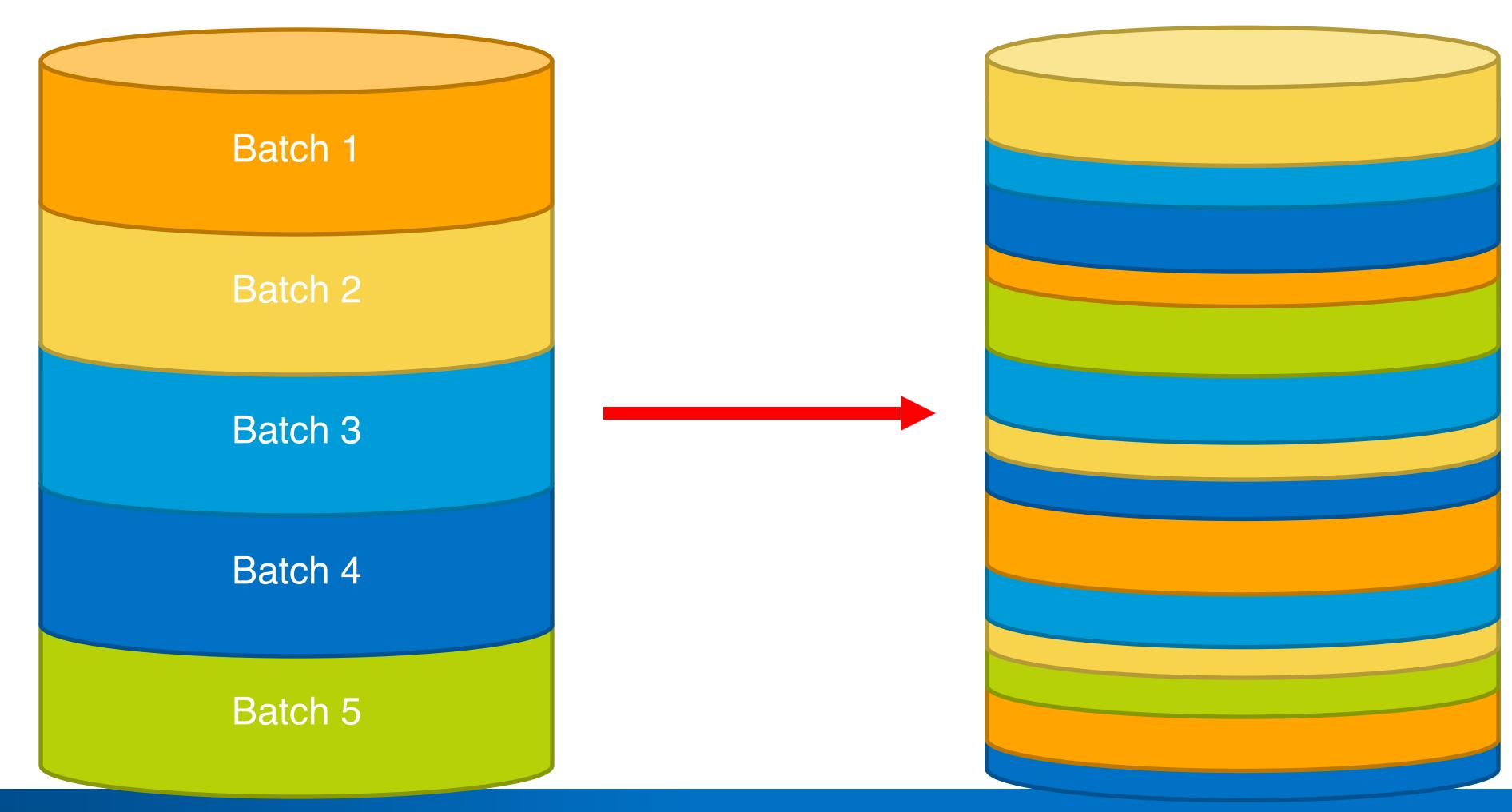
First epoch completed





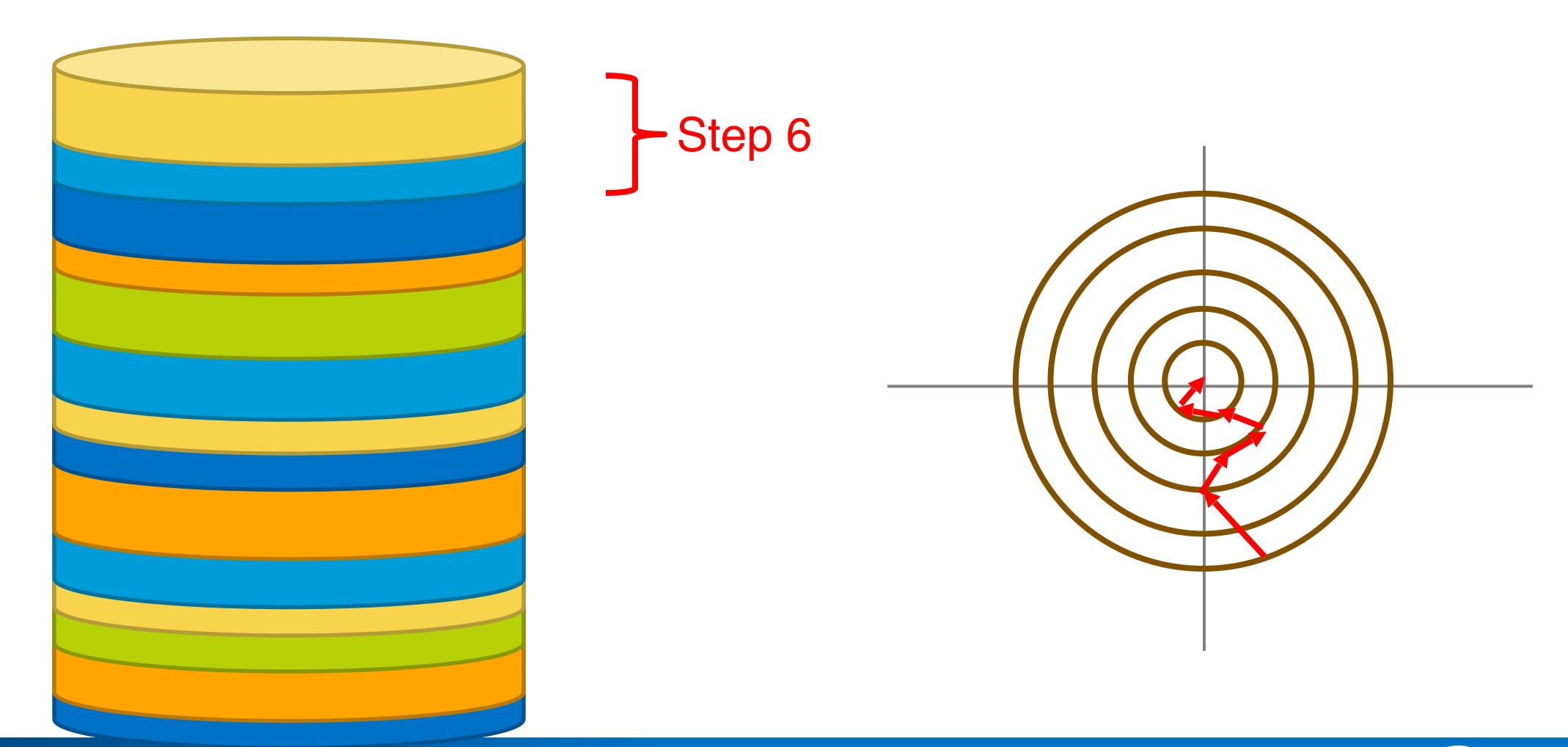


Shuffle the data!





Continue training





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Next week:

Convolutional neural networks