Neural Network Regularization – Batch methods

Why minibatches?

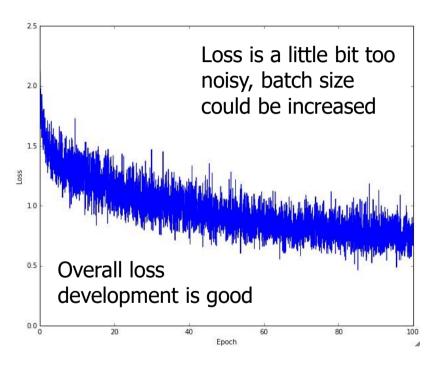
- Unbiased estimate of the gradient
- Computational effort
- Noise induced regularization for small batch sizes
 Note: This is usually not worth it

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Which batch size should I go for?

- Hardware restrictions set upper limit
- Power-of-two batch sizes match physical processor and improve runtime
- Loss band should be smooth, implying even gradient estimates.



http://cs231n.github.io/neural-networks-3/#baby