Analysis of impact of Convolutional Neural Network structure on the performance

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Dataset - CIFAR10

 60000 32x32 colour images in 10 classes, with 6000 images per class

Classes:

Airplane

Automobie

Bird

Cat

Deer

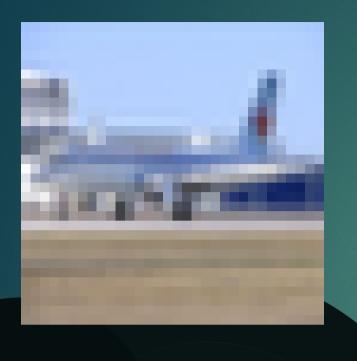
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Frog

Horse

Ship

Truck

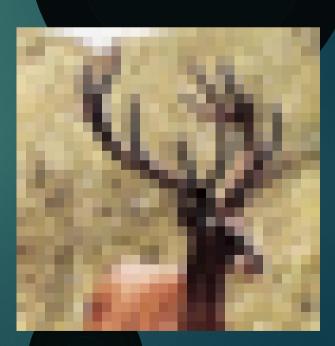






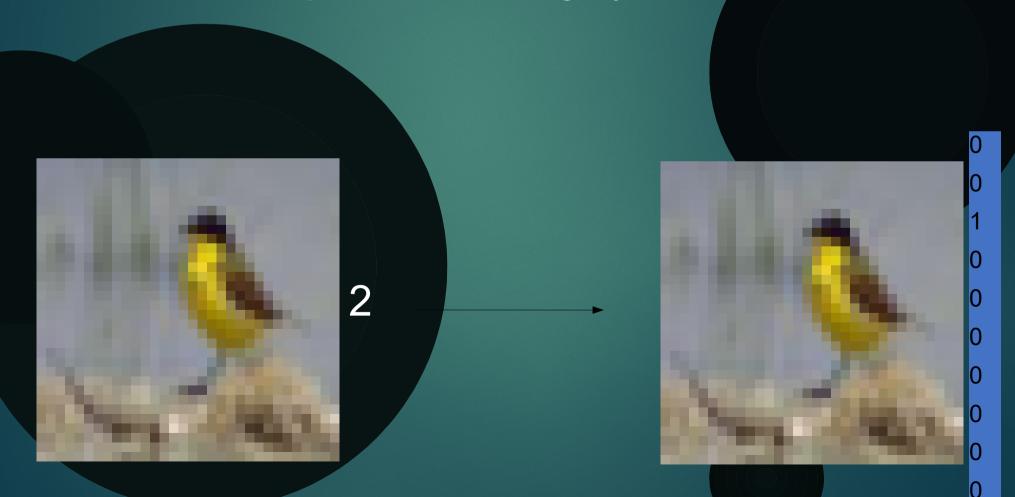






Dataset preparation

- 1. Normalize pixel values from range 0... 255 to 0 ... 1
- Convert category number (0 ... 9) to a 10 element vector with "1" at a position of category number



Tools

- Python
- Tensorflow
- Keras

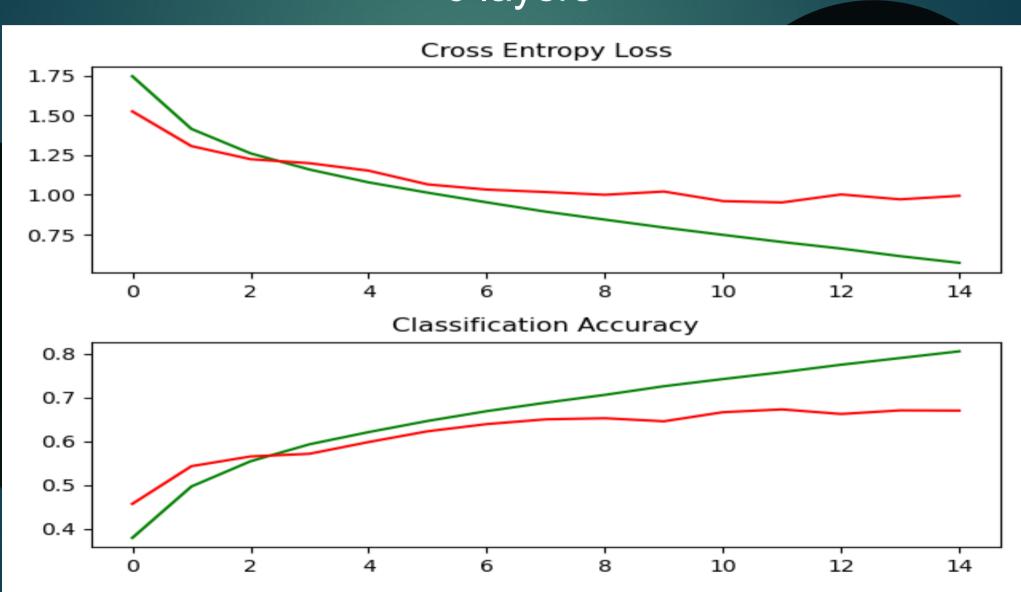


Tests

- 6 layers (2 conv, 1 pooling, 1 flatten, 2 full)
- 9 layers (4 conv, 2 pooling, 1 flatten, 2 full)
- 12 layers (6 conv, 3 pooling, 1 flatten, 2 full)
- 6, 9, 12 + dropout layers
- 6, 9, 12 + weight decay
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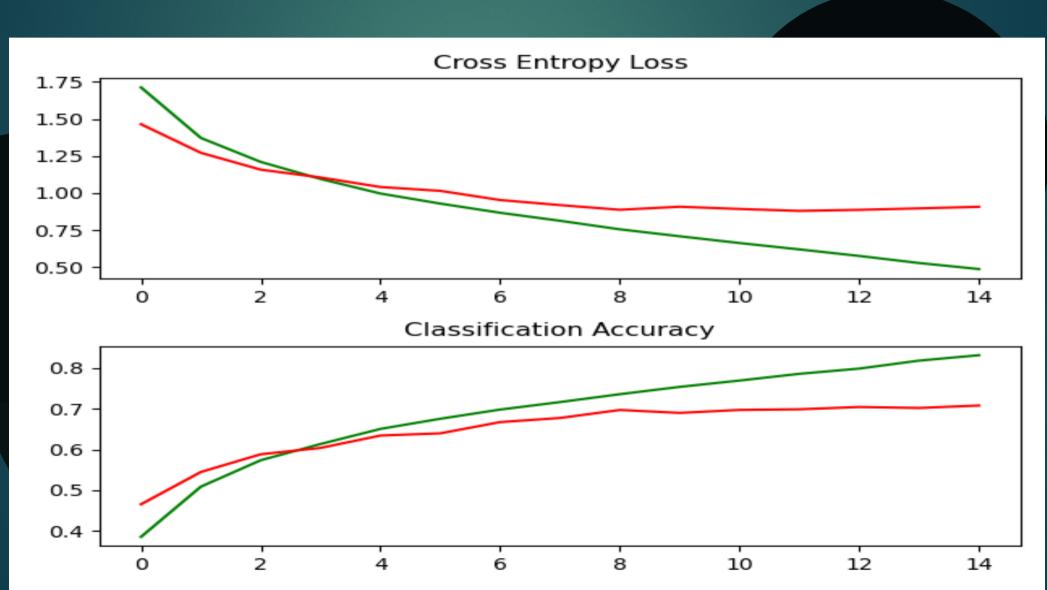


6 layers



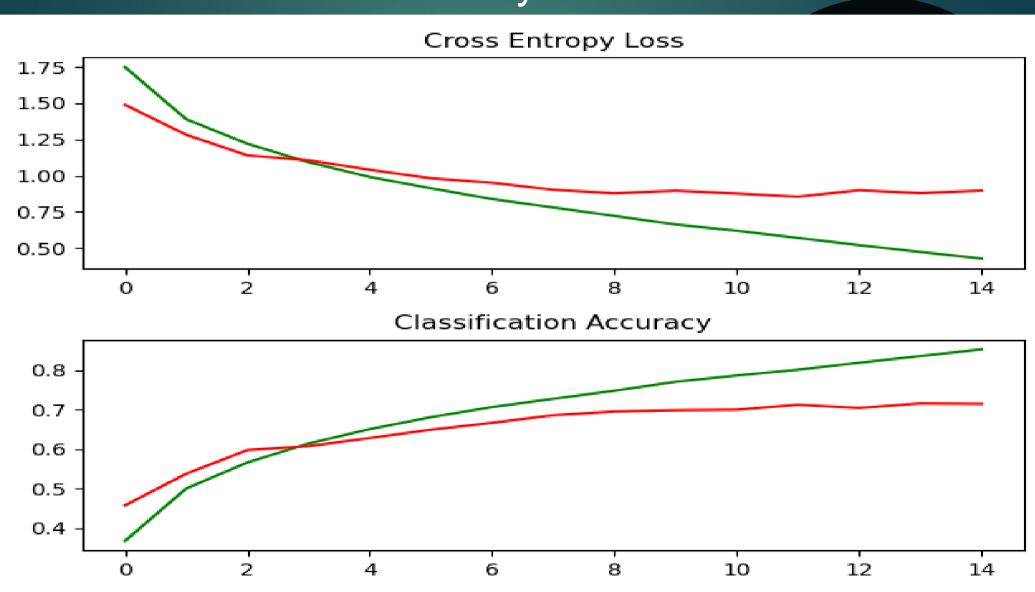


9 layers

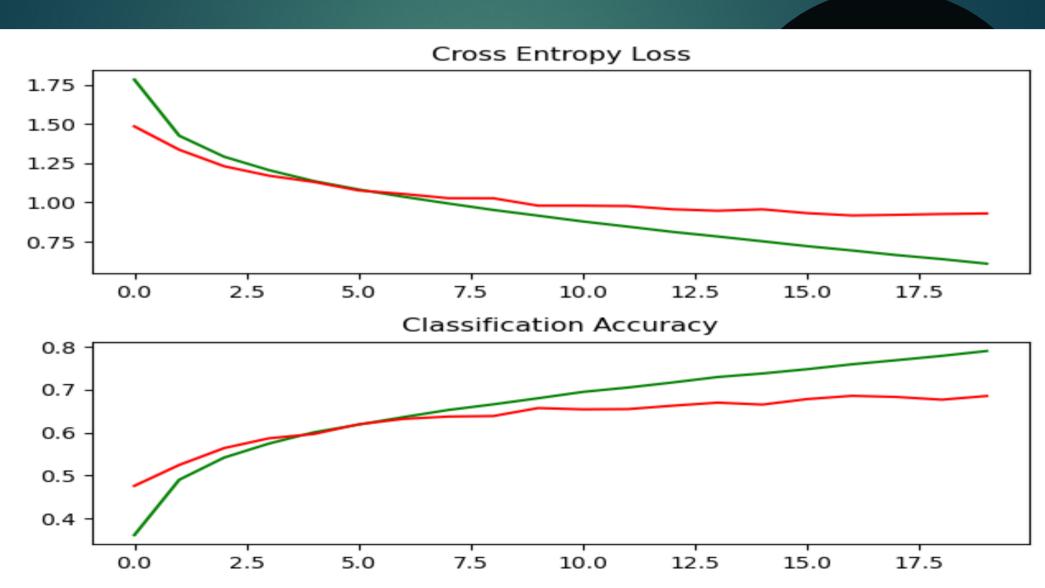




12 layers

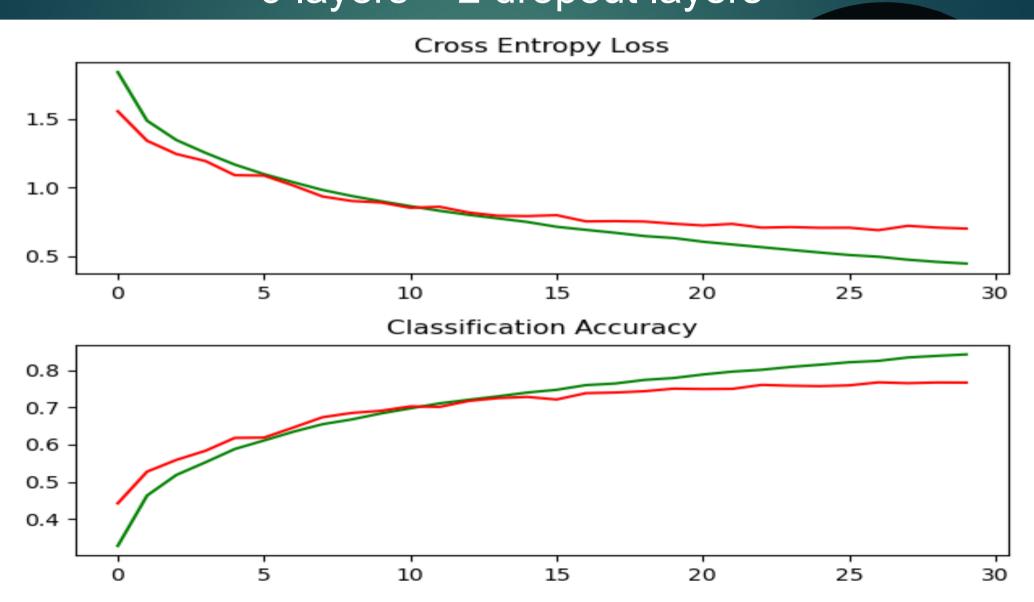






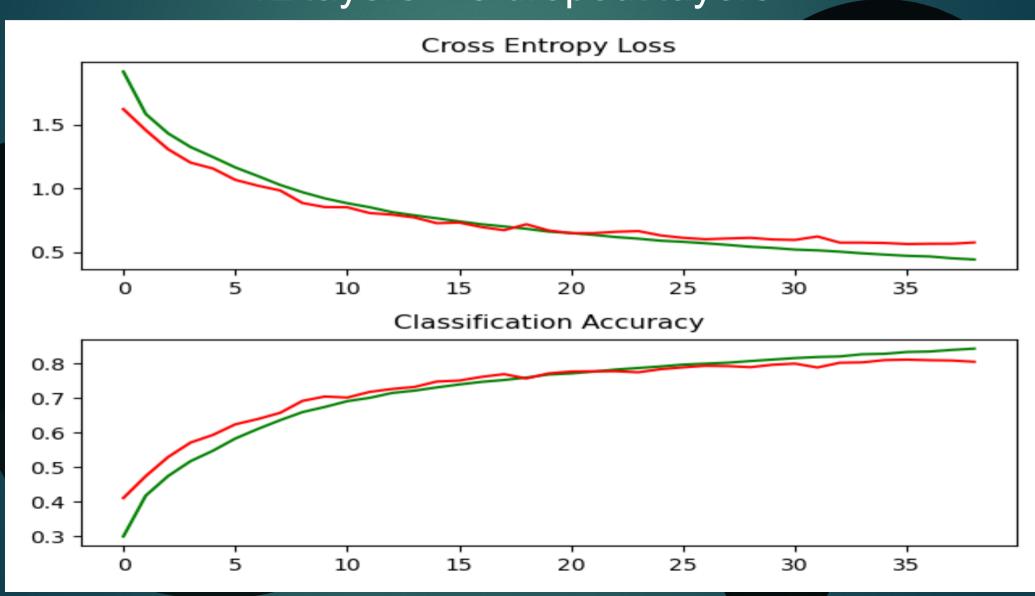


9 layers + 2 dropout layers



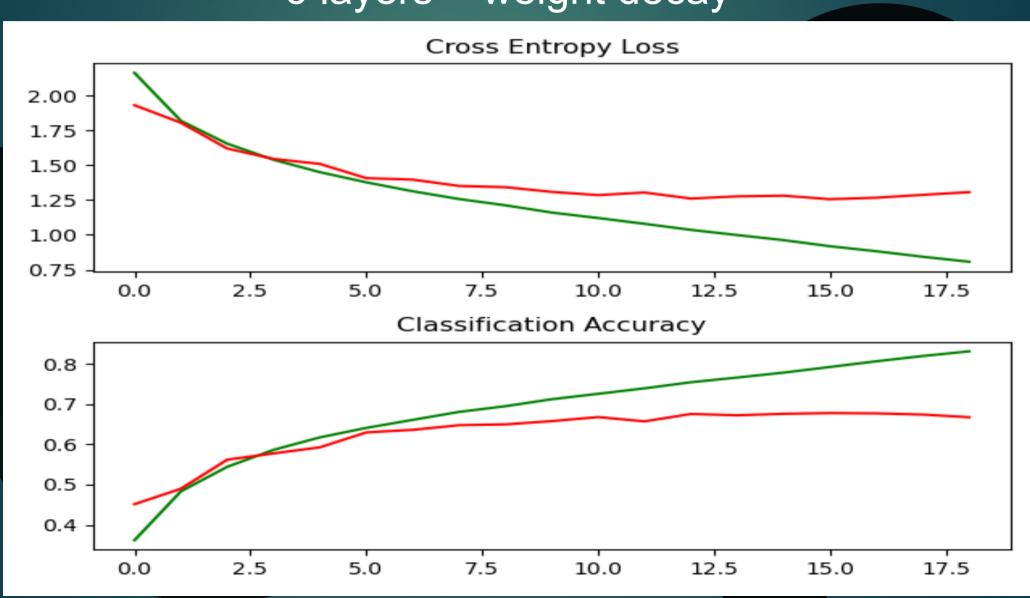


12 layers + 3 dropout layers



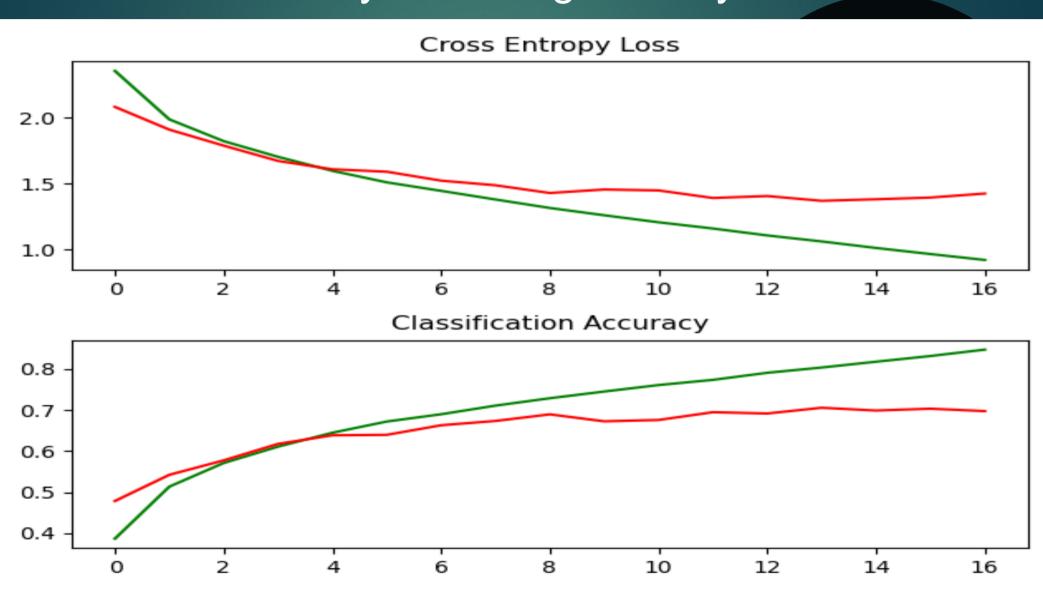


6 layers + weight decay



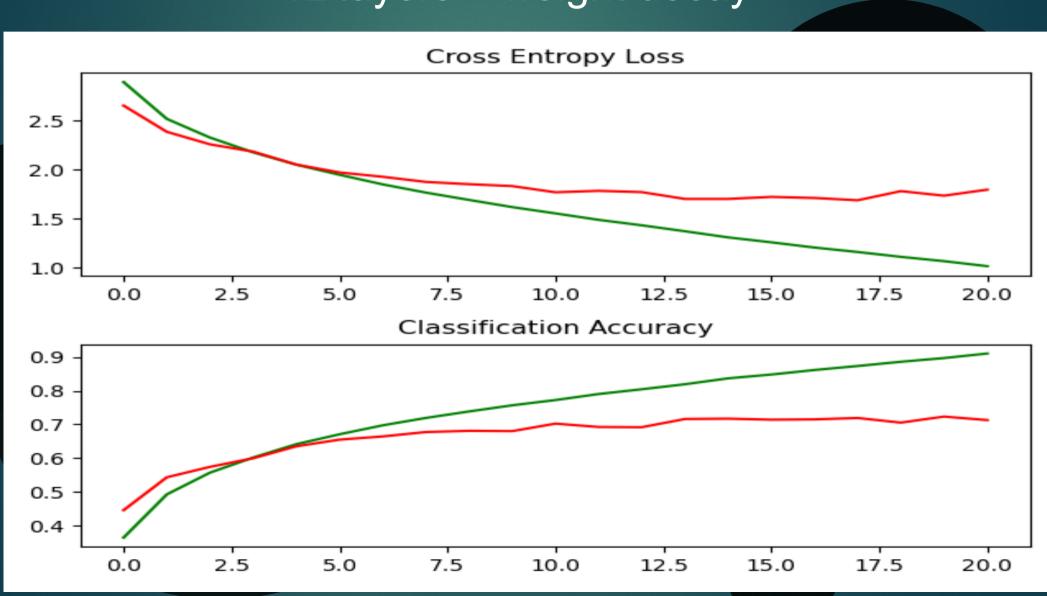


9 layers + weight decay



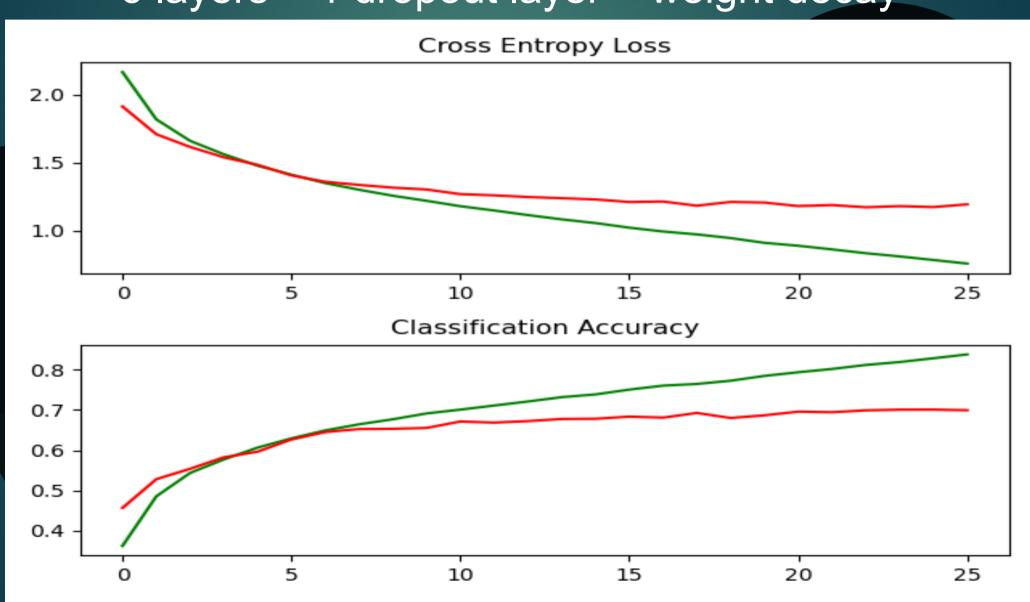


12 layers + weight decay

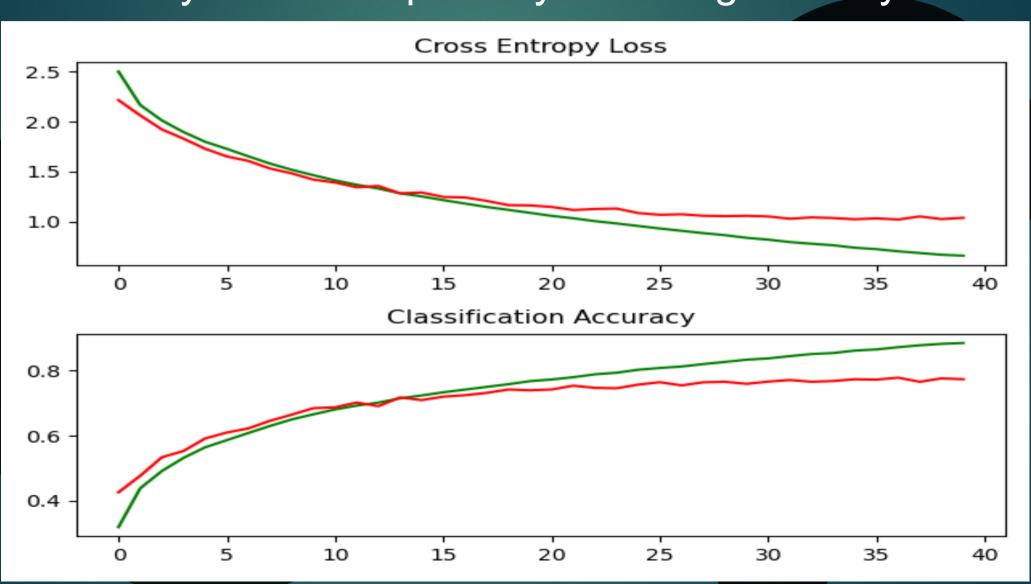




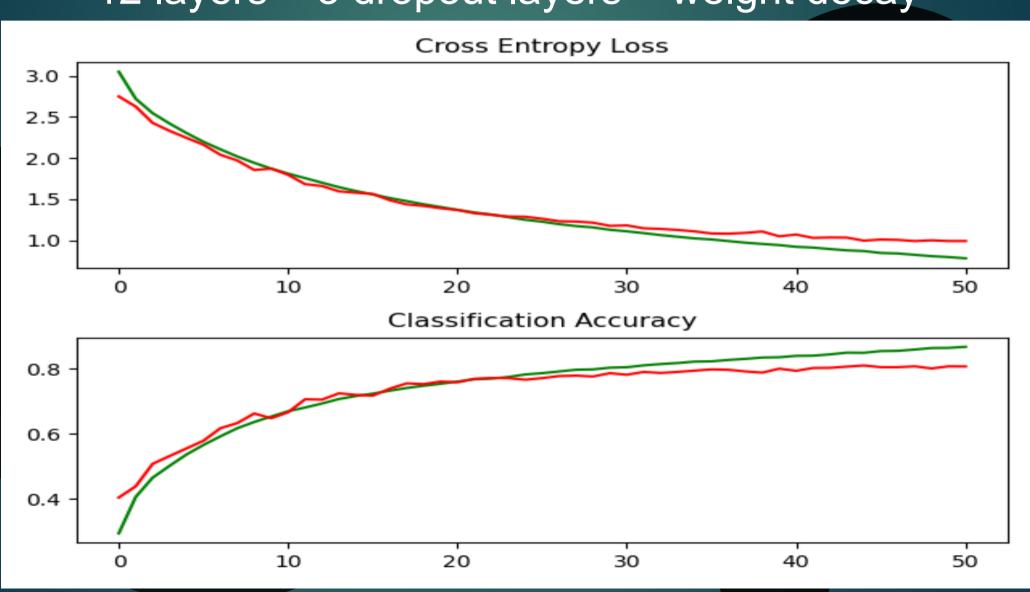
6 layers + 1 dropout layer + weight decay



9 layers + 2 dropout layers+ weight decay







| Model | accuracy | loss | epochs |
|--|----------|--------|--------|
| 6 layer | 0.6679 | 0.9858 | 15/100 |
| 9 layer | 0.7059 | 0.8938 | 14/100 |
| 12 layer | 0.7327 | 0.8934 | 16/100 |
| 6 layer + dropout | 0.6999 | 0.9124 | 23/100 |
| 9 layer + dropout | 0,7633 | 0.7181 | 31/100 |
| 12 layer + dropout | 0.7869 | 0.6221 | 33/100 |
| 6 layer + weight decay | 0.6706 | 1.2931 | 18/100 |
| 9 layer + weight decay | 0.7204 | 1.3494 | 18/100 |
| 12 layer + weight decay | 0.7306 | 1.6685 | 19/100 |
| 6 layer + dropout + weight | 0.7011 | 1.2005 | 27/100 |
| decay 9 layer + dropout + weight decay | 0.7736 | 1.0429 | 38/100 |
| 12 layer + dropout + weight decay | 0.8136 | 0.9434 | 71/100 |

Conclusions

- Deeper networks have better accuracy, but take longer to train
- Deeper networks give diminishing returns, each layer added increases the accuracy by smaller amount
- Effect of weight decay is rather small
- Effect of dropout layers is noticeable
- Combination of dropout layers and weight decay offers significant inprovement over basic models

What's next?

- Data Agumentation
- Batch Normalizaion
- ► Etc.
- Experiments

