

# Additional Techniques

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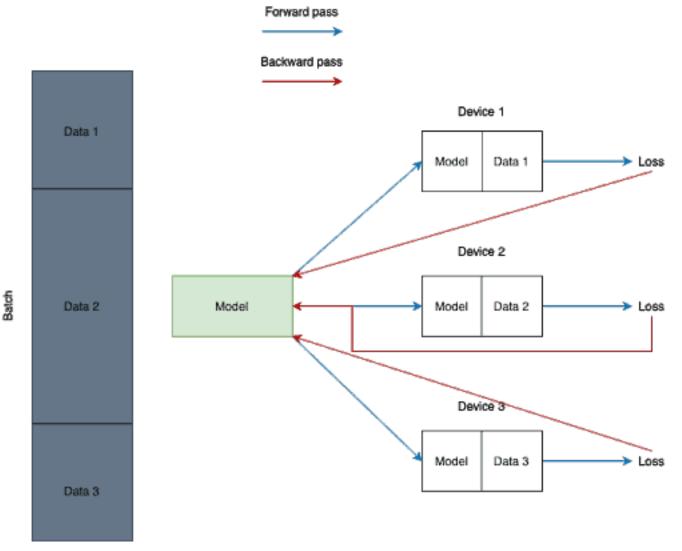
### Parallelizing the training process

Use torch.nn.DataParallel

**Idea:** Split the input across CUDA devices by dividing the batch into several parts.

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gpu_list = ['0', '1', '2']
os.environ['CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES'] = gpu_list
model = DataParallel(model.cuda(), device_ids = gpu_list)
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gpu_list = ''
multi_gpus = False
if isinstance(GPU, int):
   gpu_list = str(GPU)
else:
   multi_gpus = True
   for i, gpu_id in enumerate(GPU):
       gpu_list += str(gpu_id)
       if i != len(GPU) - 1:
            gpu_list += ','
os.environ['CUDA_VISIBLE_DEVICES'] = gpu_list
net = net.cuda()
if multi_gpus:
   net = DataParallel(net, device_ids = gpu_list)
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## Save and Load Models (as well as checkpoints)

Very useful after the time-consuming training process

Also useful to save a checkpoint and resume later

#### 3 Methods to remember:

- torch.save(arg, PATH) # can be model, tensor, or dictionary
- torch.load(PATH)
- torch.load\_state\_dict(arg)

```
# 1) save whole model
torch.save(model, PATH)
model = torch.load(PATH)
model.eval()
# 2) save only the state_dict (recommended)
torch.save(model.state_dict(), PATH)
# model class must be defined somewhere, model must be created again
model = Model(*args, **kwargs)
model.load_state_dict(torch.load(PATH))
model.eval()
```

## Coding Demo

```
1_mlp_Day1.ipynb2_cnn_Day1.ipynb3_transfer_Day1.ipynb4_save_load_Day1.ipynb5 PINNs Day1.ipynb
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