# Multilayer perceptrons

#### Recall from last two lectures

Least squares classifier:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}$$
  $L(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (\mathbf{y}_i - \hat{\mathbf{y}}_i)^2$ 

• Perceptron:

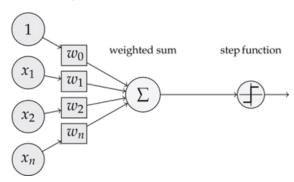
$$\hat{y} = ext{sign}(\mathbf{w}^ op \mathbf{x}) \qquad L(y, \hat{y}) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{w}^ op \mathbf{x}_i y_i$$

• Logistic regression:

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x})$$
  $L(y, \hat{y}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} y_i \log \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}))$ 

https://blog.knoldus.com/introduction-to-perceptron-neural-network

inputs weights



## Fully connected NNs

In DL, you will usually see this form:

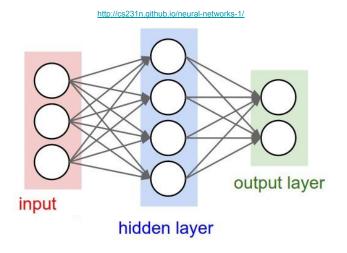
$$\mathbf{h} = g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})$$

W: Matrix of weights, one vector per neuron

**x**: One input example (vector)

**b:** Vector of biases, one scalar per neuron

h: Hidden layer response

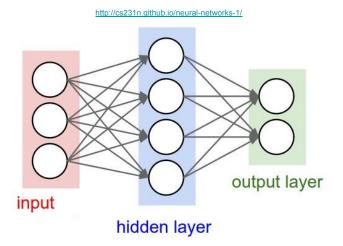


## Hyperparameters

- Number of layers
- Propagation types: fully connected, convolutional (later)
- Activation function(s)
- Loss function(s) and parameters (also later)
- Training iterations and batch sizes (some of it today)

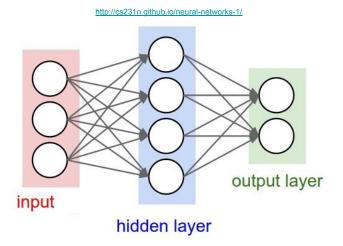
## Input layer

- A vectorized version of the input data
- Sometimes preprocessed
- Weights connect to the hidden layer



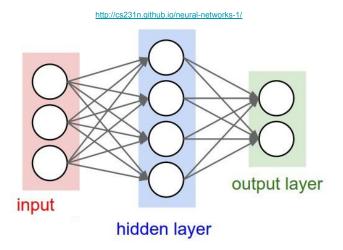
# Hidden layer(s)

- Number of hidden layers
- Number of neurons
- Topology expanding or bottleneck
- Strongly application-dependent
- Currently no optimal way to design in advance



## Output layer

- For regression:
  - Linear outputs with MSE
- For classification
  - Softmax units (logistic for two classes)
- and many, many more...



## **Activation functions**

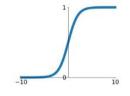
$$\sigma'(x) = \sigma(x)(1-\sigma(x))$$

$$\tanh'(x) = 1 - \tanh(x)^2$$

$$\operatorname{relu}'(x) = \operatorname{step}(x)$$

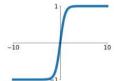
#### **Sigmoid**

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



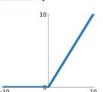
#### tanh

tanh(x)



#### ReLU

 $\max(0, x)$ 

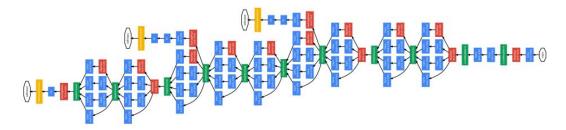


## The multilayer perceptron

- A one-way computational chain
- First, we take the input  $\mathbf{x}$  and process it:  $\mathbf{h}_1 = g_1(\mathbf{W}_1\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_1)$
- This gives a first *hidden* representation. Next layer:  $\mathbf{h}_2 = g_2(\mathbf{W_2h_1} + \mathbf{b_2})$
- and so on

## Universal approximation

- Think of MLPs as a big function block with many free parameters
- Even with a single hidden layer, any function can be represented
  as long as we use a non-linearity
- In practice, single-layer nets may not be trained well to a task
- Instead, we go deep and reduce the number of neurons per layer



### Recall maximum likelihood

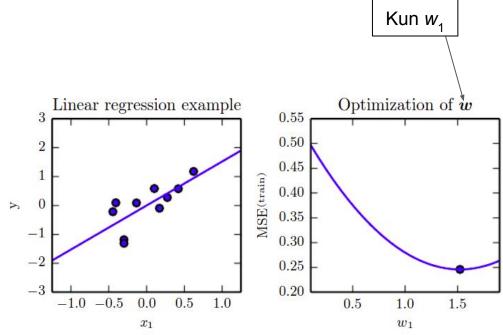
- We setup a (neural) model p, which tries to predict an output (label) from an input (e.g. image)
- ullet The ML estimate of its parameters is done using a *training set*:  $W_{ ext{ML}} = rg \max_{\mathbf{x} \sim \hat{p}_{ ext{data}}} \log p(y|\mathbf{x})$
- where the expectation is simply the mean over the m training examples

## Generalization error of $W_{\mathrm{ML}} = rg \max E_{\mathbf{x} \sim \hat{p}_{\mathrm{data}}} \log p(y|\mathbf{x})$

- The problem
  - We do not have access to the full population
  - $\circ$  Instead, we get a limited sample, the *empirical distribution*  $\hat{p}_{ ext{data}}$
- Now we want our model p to follow this empirical distribution sort of
  - We actually want our model to predict future test cases
  - In the end, what we really want is high test classification accuracy, but we'll have to do with something we can optimize upon, cross-entropy on the training set

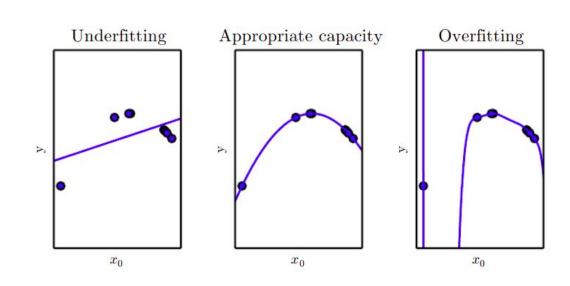
# Over- and underfitting

- Take an example
- Best fit line
- Best value of w with associated losses



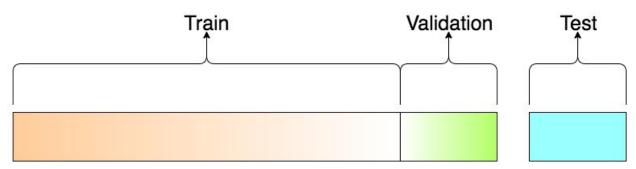
## Over- and underfitting

- Another example (training points are sampled on a 2nd degree polynomial)
- Linear regression "fails"
- One more parameter is appropriate
- This also happens for more realistic training data!



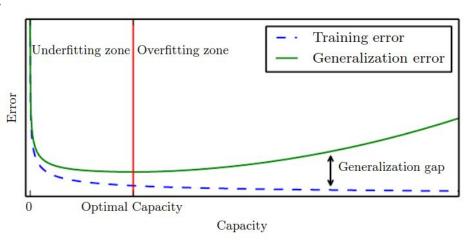
## Train-val-test split

- Usually we get a training set for learning
- The test set is not to be used during learning
  - Sometimes hidden behind an evaluation server
- We can hold out a validation set for tuning
  - Also sometimes given by the benchmark
- This allows for design of e.g. network topology



## **Network capacity**

- The common method to increase capacity of an underfitting model is more weights (more neurons)
- Now we can evaluate this hyperparameter:
  - Full training and evaluation on test set
  - Use the validation set



#### Exercise

- Introduction to PyTorch
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IMC9OJjr-MsgiLTCpAsBNY1JWmXf-cVn/view?usp=sharing
- Multi Layer Perceptron
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Go41K2FcH5Ng3sLZKyNm-g55rXCgXJyd/view?usp=sharing

## Introduction to PyTorch

- Introduced by FAIR in 2017
- Built with Python as a primary programming language
- Modular and flexible
- Short learning curve & easy to debug

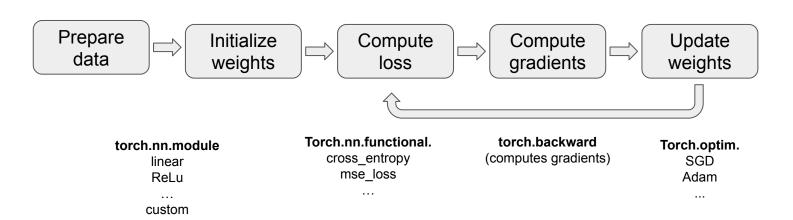
## NumPy v/s PyTorch

- Both API's are very similar
- NumPy arrays -> PyTorch tensors
  - GPU support
  - Automatic differentiation
- Some other differences:
  - NumPy "axis" -> PyTorch "dim"
  - NumPy "reshape" -> PyTorch "view"

### Last week - Linear classifiers

- y = ax + b
- Using PyTorch

#### **Optimization loop**



## Challenge

- Build a Multi Layer Perceptron (MLP) with one ReLU-activated hidden layer
- Use CIFAR10 dataset
- Use the validation set to determine number of hidden neurons
- Use the test set to get an unbiased estimate of your model's performance on the real data distribution