





Training Neural Network Overview

1. One time setup activation functions, preprocessing, weight initialization, regularization, gradient checking

- 2. Training dynamics babysitting the learning process, parameter updates, hyperparameter optimization
- 3. Evaluation model ensembles





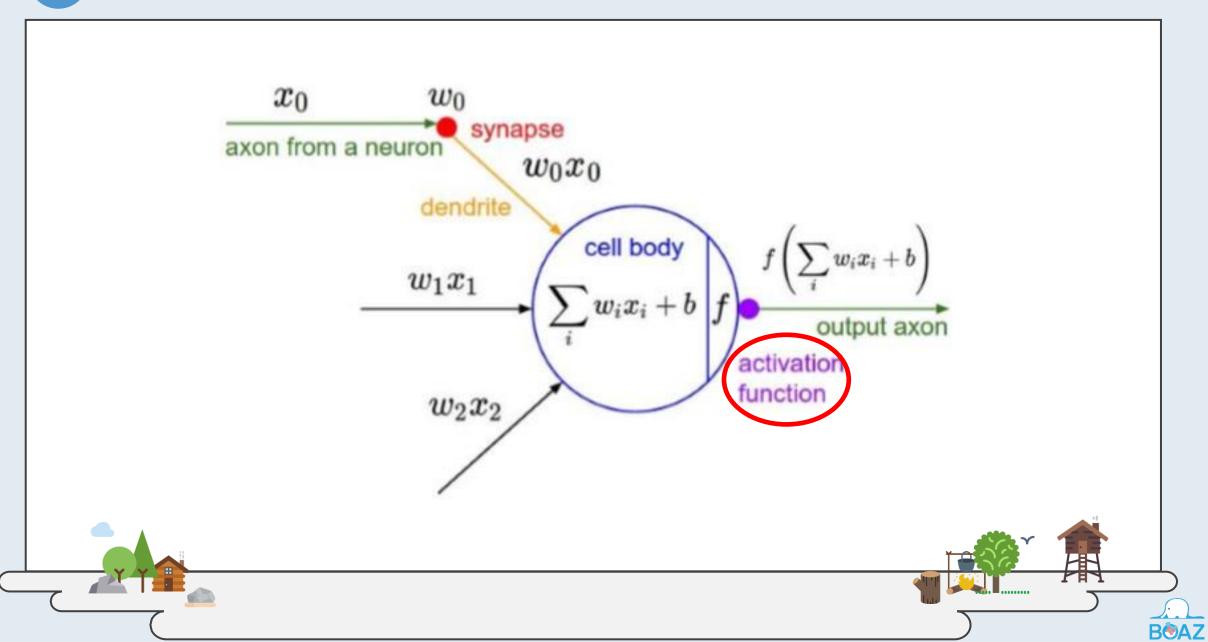
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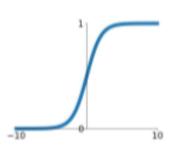
Activation Functions



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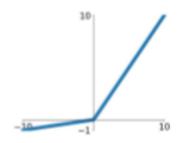
Sigmoid

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



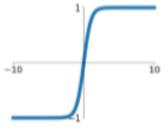
Leaky ReLU

 $\max(0.1x, x)$



tanh

tanh(x)

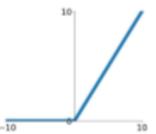


Maxout

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

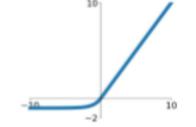
ReLU

 $\max(0, x)$



ELU

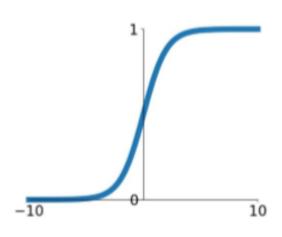
$$\begin{cases} x & x \ge 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$







Activation Functions (Sigmoid)



Sigmoid

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

- Squashes numbers to range [0,1]
- Historically popular since they have nice interpretation as a saturating "firing rate" of a neuron

3 problems:

- Saturated neurons "kill" the gradients
- Sigmoid outputs are not zero-centered
- 3. exp() is a bit compute expensive





Activation Functions (Sigmoid)

Consider what happens when the input to a neuron is

always positive...

$$f\left(\sum_i w_i x_i + b
ight)$$

allowed gradient update directions zig zag path

allowed gradient update directions

hypothetical optimal w vector

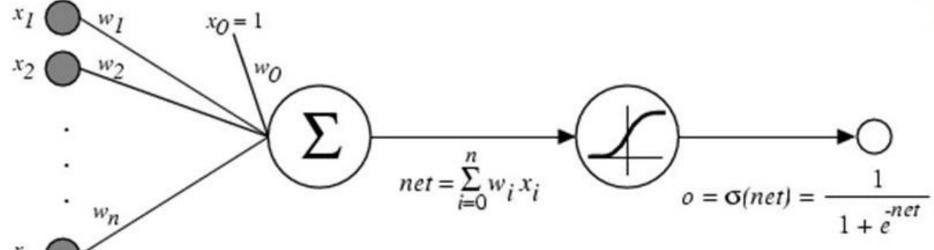
What can we say about the gradients on **w**? Always all positive or all negative :((this is also why you want zero-mean data!)

Input이 모두 positive이고 sigmoid를 사용할 경우, W의 update가 모두 positive 또는 모두 negative 방향으로만 가능 → 해결방법 : X를 zero-mean으로 바꿔준다!



Activation Functions (Sigmoid)





[W gradient]

Gradient > 0

Gradient < 0

[net gradient]

Gradient > 0

Gradient < 0

[upstream gradient]

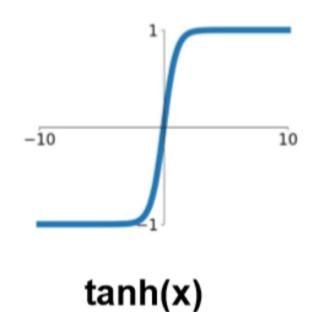
Gradient > 0

Gradient < 0





Activation Functions (Tanh)

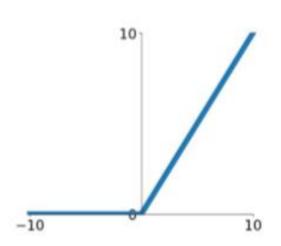


- Squashes numbers to range [-1,1]
- zero centered (nice)
- still kills gradients when saturated :(





Activation Functions (ReLU)



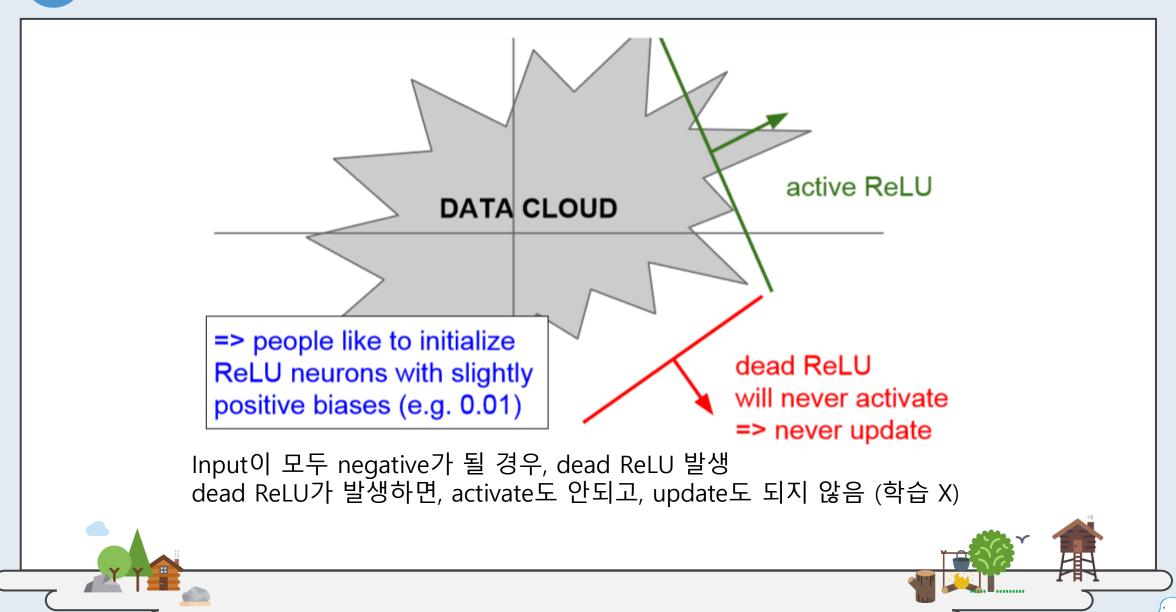
ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit)

- Computes f(x) = max(0,x)
- Does not saturate (in +region)
- Very computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice (e.g. 6x)
- Actually more biologically plausible than sigmoid
- Not zero-centered output
- An annoyance:

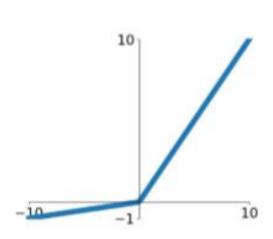




Activation Functions (ReLU)



Activation Functions (Leaky ReLU & PReLU)



Leaky ReLU

$$f(x) = \max(0.01x, x)$$

- Does not saturate
- Computationally efficient
- Converges much faster than sigmoid/tanh in practice! (e.g. 6x)
- will not "die".

Parametric Rectifier (PReLU)

$$f(x) = \max(\alpha x, x)$$

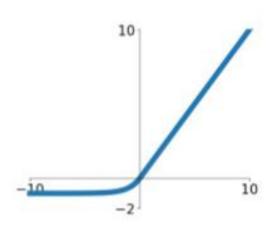
backprop into \alpha (parameter)







Activation Functions (ELU)



$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \alpha \ (\exp(x) - 1) & \text{if } x \le 0 \end{cases}$$
 - Computation requires exp()

- All benefits of ReLU
- Closer to zero mean outputs
- Negative saturation regime compared with Leaky ReLU adds some robustness to noise





Activation Functions (Maxout)

- Does not have the basic form of dot product -> nonlinearity
- Generalizes ReLU and Leaky ReLU
- Linear Regime! Does not saturate! Does not die!

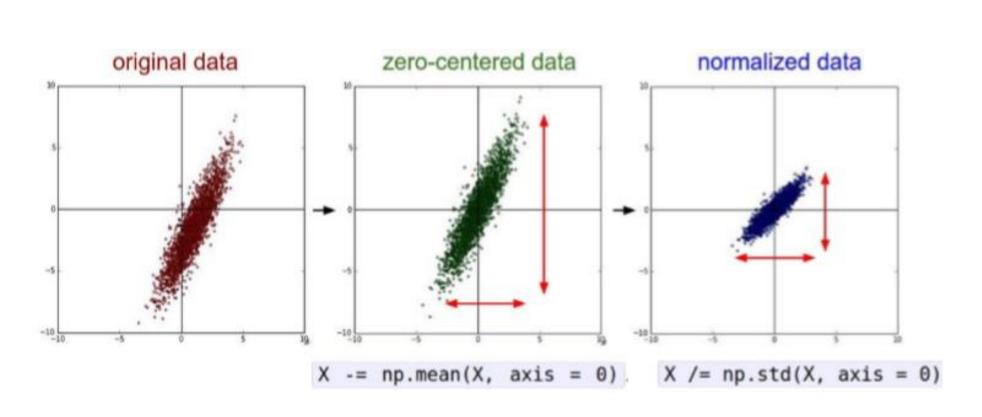
$$\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$$

Problem: doubles the number of parameters/neuron:(





Data Preprocessing

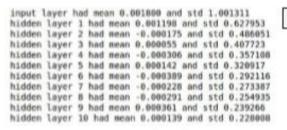


PCA, Whitening 등의 방법을 사용 or Image의 mean을 빼주는 방법 사용



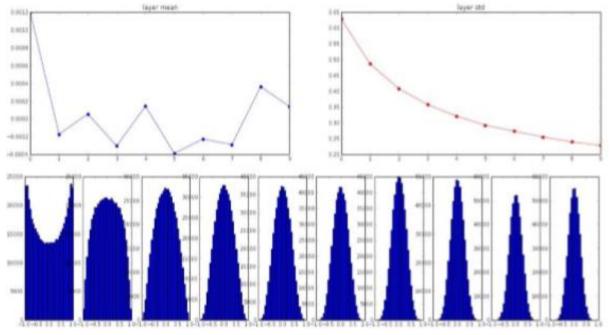


Weight Initialization





"Xavier initialization" [Glorot et al., 2010]



Reasonable initialization. (Mathematical derivation assumes linear activations)

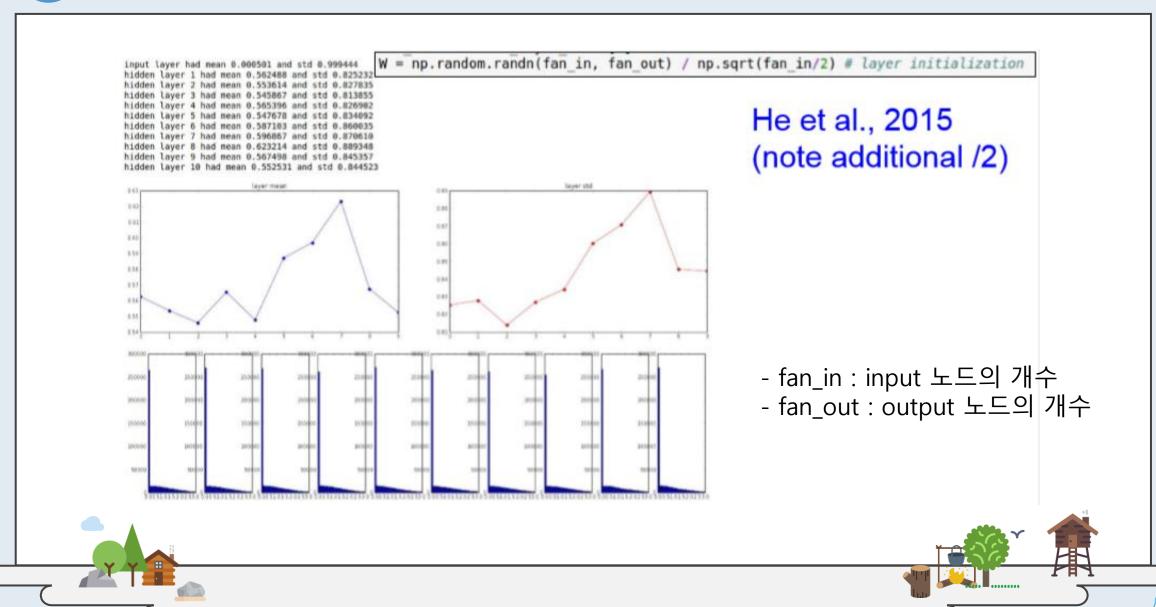
- fan_in : input 노드의 개수
- fan_out : output 노드의 개수



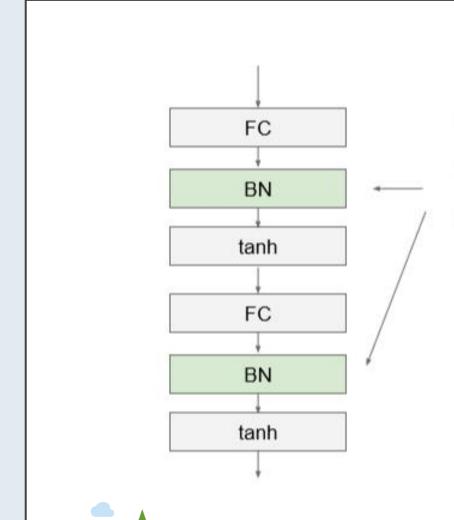




Weight Initialization



Batch Normalization



Usually inserted after Fully Connected or Convolutional layers, and before nonlinearity.

$$\widehat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - E[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{Var[x^{(k)}]}}$$





Batch Normalization

Normalize:

$$\widehat{x}^{(k)} = \frac{x^{(k)} - \mathrm{E}[x^{(k)}]}{\sqrt{\mathrm{Var}[x^{(k)}]}}$$

And then allow the network to squash the range if it wants to:

$$y^{(k)} = \gamma^{(k)} \widehat{x}^{(k)} + \beta^{(k)}$$

Note, the network can learn:

$$\gamma^{(k)} = \sqrt{\operatorname{Var}[x^{(k)}]}$$

$$\beta^{(k)} = \mathbf{E}[x^{(k)}]$$

to recover the identity mapping.









Batch Normalization

Input: Values of x over a mini-batch: $\mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\}$; Parameters to be learned: γ , β

Output: $\{y_i = BN_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}$

$$\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_i$$
 // mini-batch mean

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2$$
 // mini-batch variance

$$\widehat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_B}{\sqrt{\sigma_R^2 + \epsilon}}$$
 // normalize

$$y_i \leftarrow \gamma \hat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \text{BN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)$$
 // scale and shift

- Improves gradient flow through the network
- Allows higher learning rates
- Reduces the strong dependence on initialization
- Acts as a form of regularization in a funny way, and slightly reduces the need for dropout, maybe







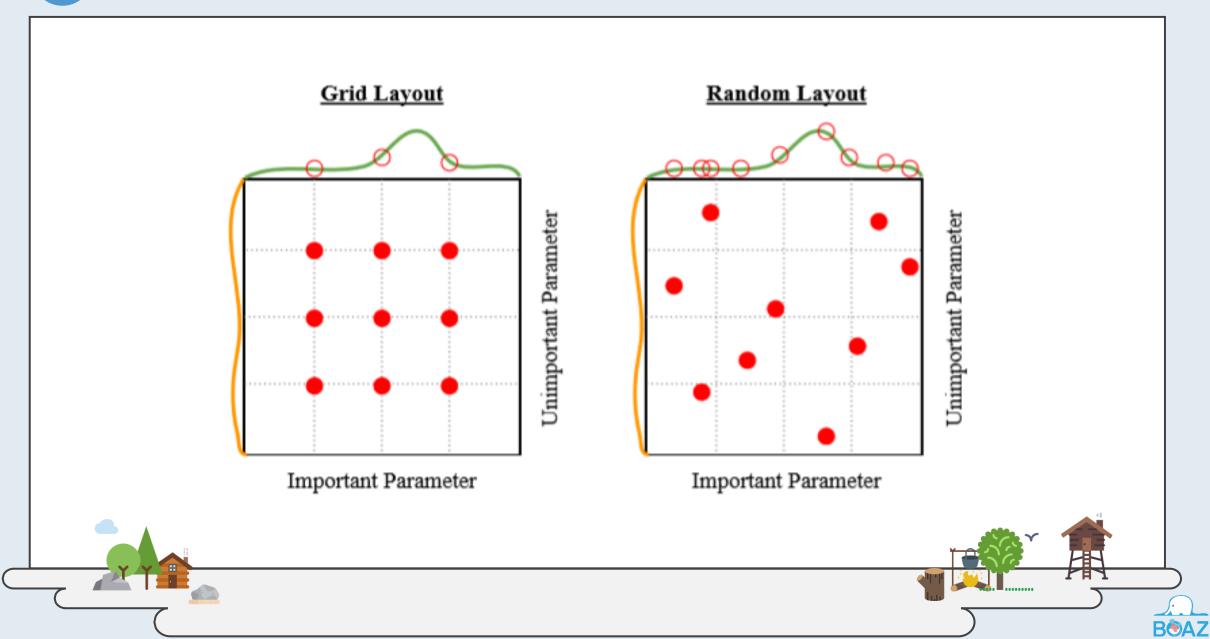
Babysitting the Learning Process

- 1. Preprocess the data
- 2. Choose the architecture
- 3. Overfitting이 되지 않도록, Validation set에 대해서도 Loss, Acc 확인
- 4. Learning rate를 적절하게 선택
 - Loss not going down: Learning rate too low
 - Loss exploding: Learning rate too high



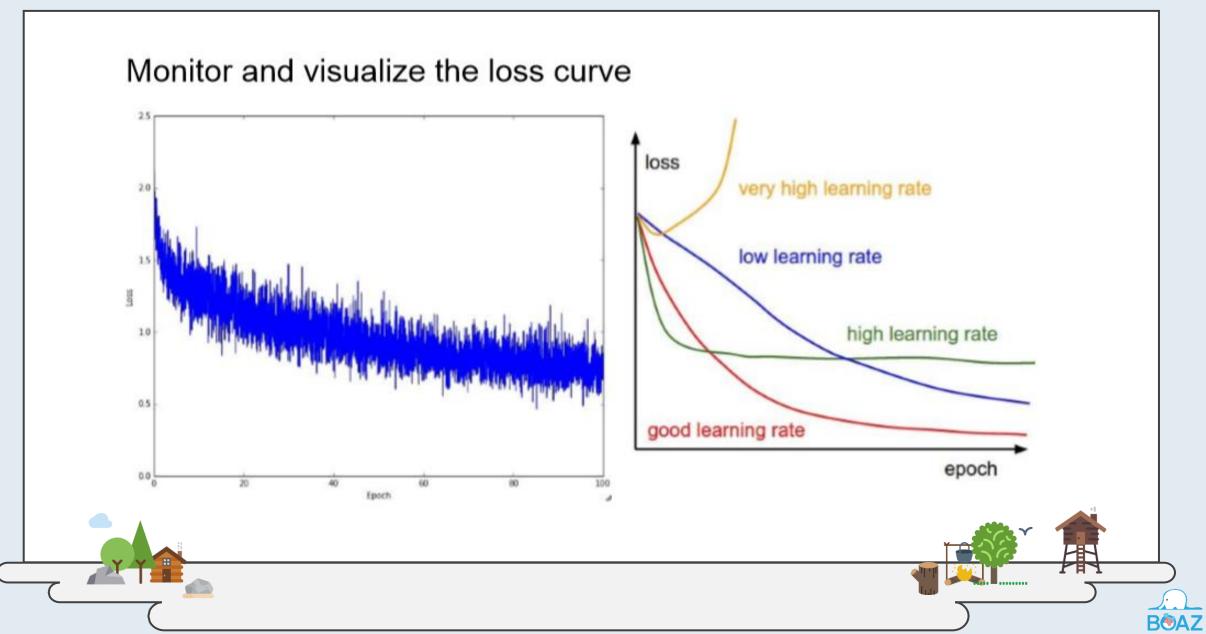


Hyperparameter Optimization



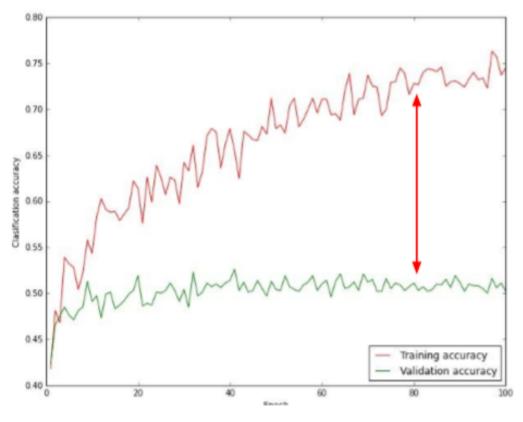


Hyperparameter Optimization



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Monitor and visualize the accuracy:



big gap = overfitting

=> increase regularization strength?

no gap

=> increase model capacity?





CS231n: http://cs231n.stanford.edu/syllabus.html



