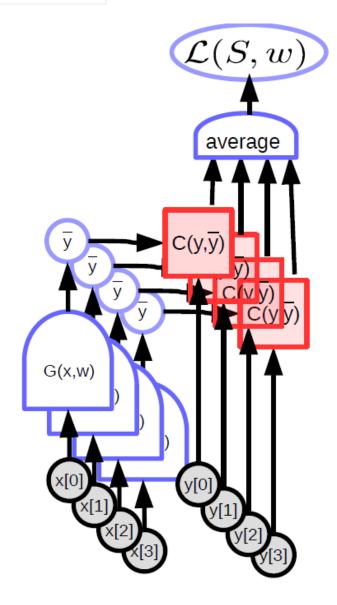
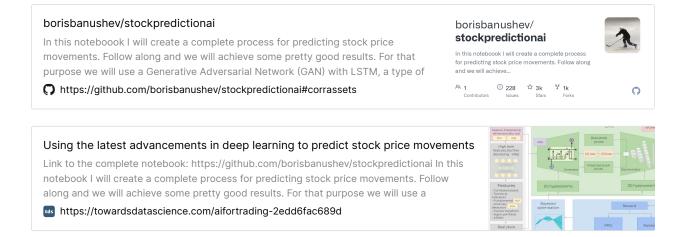
Lecture 2 Backpropagation

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In the standard Supervised Learning paradigm, the loss (per sample) is simply the output of the cost function. Machine Learning is mostly about optimizing functions (usually minimizing them). It could also involve finding Nash Equilibria between two functions like with GANs (check more on this papers). This is done using Gradient Based Methods, though not necessarily Gradient Descent.

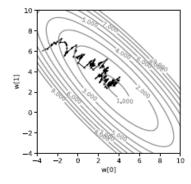
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RL (Reinforcement Learning) involves Gradient Estimation without the explicit form for the gradient.

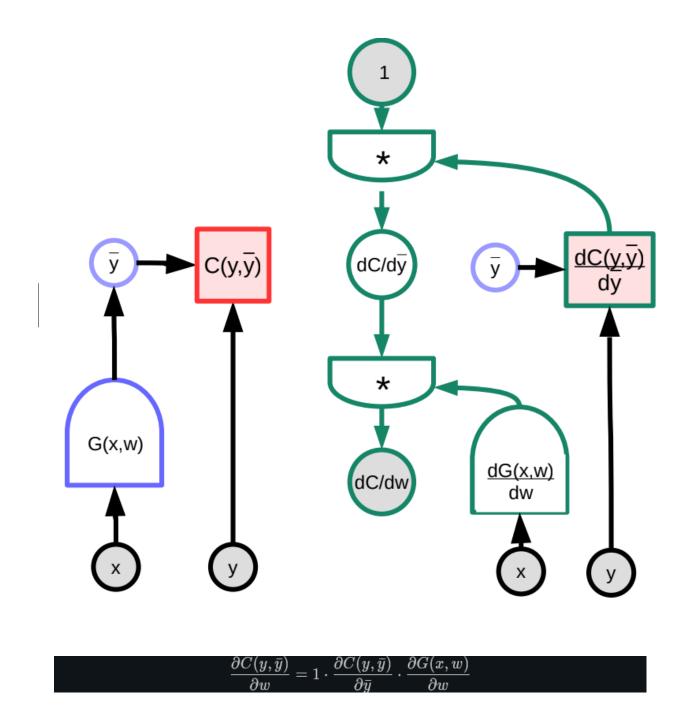
The RL cost function is not differentiable most of the time but the network that computes the output is gradient-based. This is the main difference between supervised learning and reinforcement learning. A very popular technique in RL is Actor Critic Methods. That's a way of making the cost function differentiable, or at least approximating it by a differentiable function so that one can backpropagate.

SGD



In practice, we use batches instead of doing stochastic gradient descent on a single sample.

Backpropagation



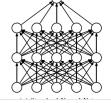
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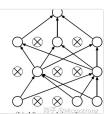
- 1. Use ReLU as the non-linear activation function
- 2. Use cross entropy loss as the objective function for classification problems
- 3. Use stochastic gradient descent on minibatches during training
- 4. Shuffle the order of the training examples when using stochastic gradient descent

- 5. Normalize the inputs to have zero mean and unit variance (depends? There are papers showing that the raw data is better.)
- 6. Use a schedule to decrease the learning rate
- 7. Use L1 and or L2 regularization for weight decay
- 8. Weight initialization Kaiming initialisation(standard deviation of the weights is inversely proportional to square root of number of inputs.)
- 9. Use dropout (mainly in Fully Connected Neural Network, usually set 0.5 or 0.3)

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