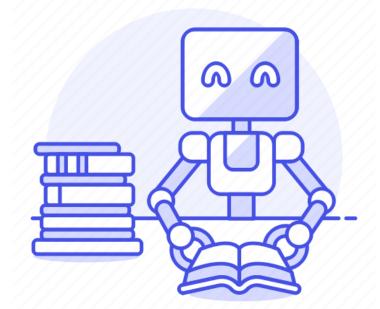
# L3 Introduction to Machine Learning

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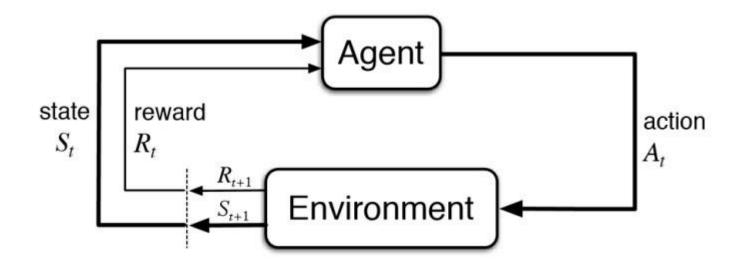


### **ML** Taxonomy

- Supervised Learning:
  - The system is presented with example inputs and their desired outputs, given by a "teacher", and the goal is to learn a general rule that maps inputs to outputs.
    - Classification (cat or dog?)
    - Regression (housing price next year?)
- Unsupervised Learning:
  - No labels are given to the learning algorithm, leaving it on its own to find structure in its input. Unsupervised learning can be a goal in itself (discovering hidden patterns in data) or a means towards an end (feature learning).
    - Parametric UL (e.g., Gaussian Mixture Models)
    - Non-parametric UL

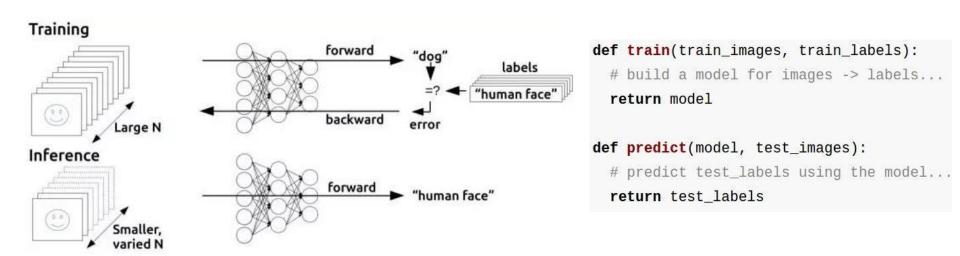
### **ML** Taxonomy

- Reinforcement Learning:
  - An agent interacts with a dynamic environment in which it must perform a certain goal. The agent is provided feedback in terms of rewards and it tries to learn an optimal policy that maximizes its cumulative rewards.
  - Algorithms: Model-based; Model-free (Value-based, Policy-based)
  - Applications: Game playing (AlphaGo); Robotics; AD...



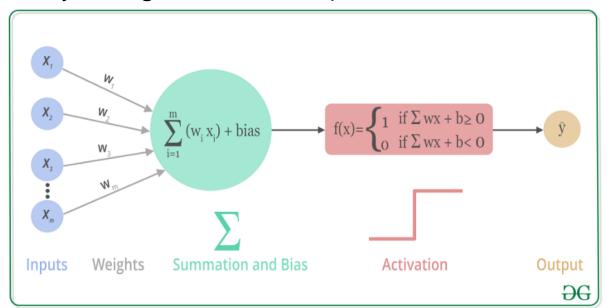
## Training vs. Inference

- Training: millions of iterations of forward pass + back propagation to adjust model params (e.g., NN weights); requires large CPU/GPU clusters and days/weeks of training time
- Inference (also called prediction): a single forward pass; can be run on edge devices



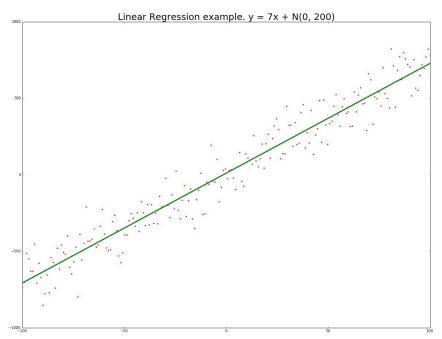
### A Neuron and its Activation Function

- The activation function is a nonlinear monotonic function that acts like a "gate": the output is larger for larger input activation
  - Perceptron  $y = \sigma(z) = \text{step}(wx + b)$  (activation function f = step function, shown below)
  - Linear Regression if y = z = wx + b (activation function f = identity function)
  - Logistic Regression if  $y = \sigma(z) = \sigma(wx + b)$  (activation function f = sigmoid function)



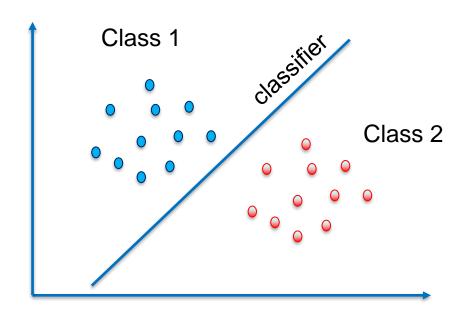
## Linear Regression for Regression

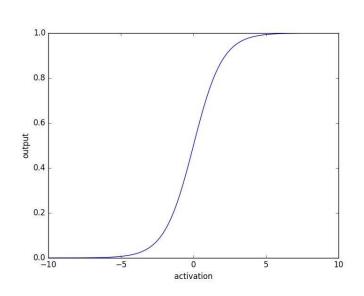
- Function approximation y = wx + b, with learnable parameters  $\theta = \{w, b\}$ , where x, y, b are vectors, and w is a weight matrix
  - e.g., we want to predict price of a house based on its feature vector  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3]^T$ , where  $x_1$  is area in square meters (sqm),  $x_2$  is location ranking (loc),  $x_3$  is year of construction (yoc)
  - Predicted price  $y = wx + b = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 + b$
  - Fig shows an example for scalar x and y



## Logistic Regression for Binary Classification

- Consider a binary classification problem: an input image x may be classified as a dog with probability P(y = dog|x), a cat with probability P(y = cat|x), with P(y = dog|x) + P(y = cat|x) = 1.0
- Logistic Regression: use sigmoid function  $\sigma(z_i) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z_i}}$  to map from the activation (also called the logit) to the output probability
- In addition to binary classification at the output layer, sigmoid may also be used as the non-linear activation function in the hidden layers of a NN

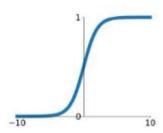




# Common Activation Functions used in DL

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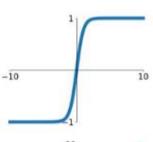
$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



## Leaky ReLU $\max(0.1x, x)$

#### tanh

tanh(x)

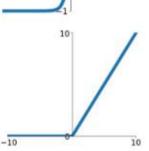


#### **Maxout**

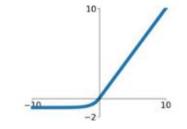
 $\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$ 

#### ReLU

 $\max(0,x)$ 



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

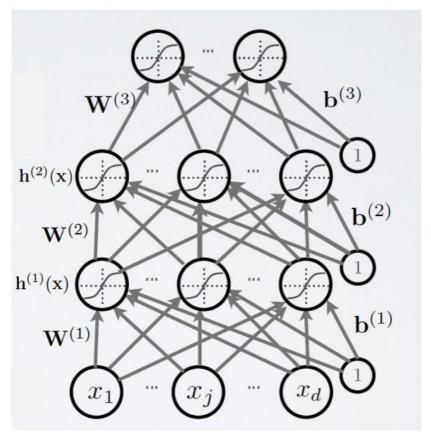


### Deep Neural Networks

- We can stack many hidden layers to form a DNN if we have enough data and computing power to train it
- The high model capacity of DNN comes from non-linear mappings: hidden units must be followed by a non-linear activation function
  - Without non-linear activation functions, a DNN with many layers can be collapsed into an equivalent single-layer NN

## Fully-Connected NNs

- Number of params to learn at i-th layer is  $(N_{i-1} + 1) * N_i$ , where  $N_i$  is the number of neurons at the i-th layer. Can grow very large
  - (We will discuss CNNs with much fewer params in the next lecture)

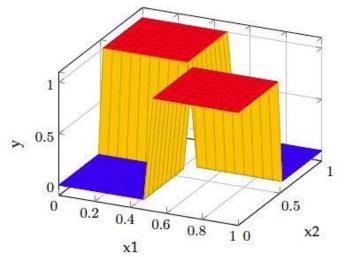


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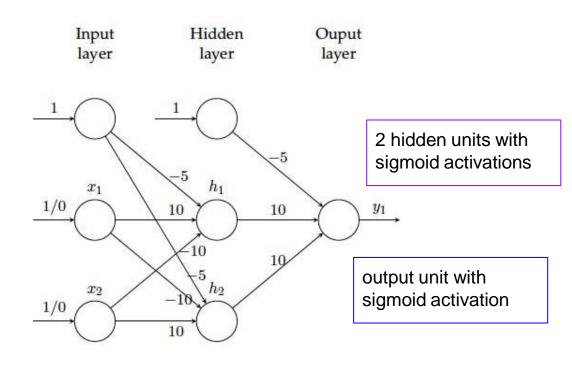
A 3-layer NN

# Example: Two-Layer Fully-Connected NN for Solving XOR

 The NN consists of one input, one hidden, and one output layer, with sigmoid activations

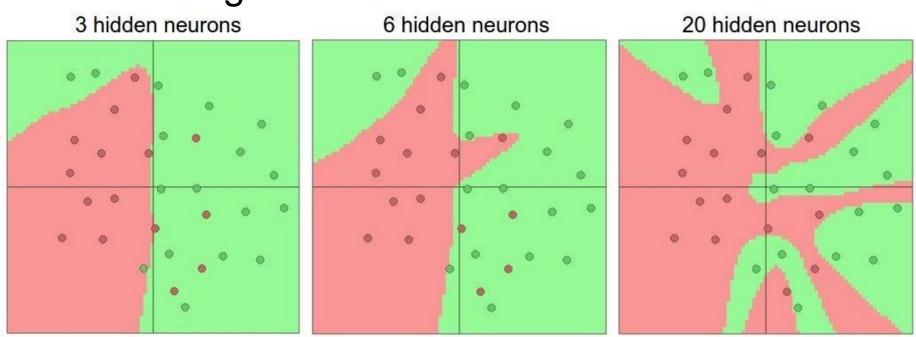


$x_1$	$x_2$	y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



## Setting # Layers and Their Sizes

- An example illustrating adding more hidden neurons increases model capacity and reduces training error
- But too many layers and neurons may lead to overfitting



### NN for Multi-Class Classification

- Consider a NN defining the model  $h_{\theta}: \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}^k$ , as the mapping from input x to output  $h_{\theta}(x)$ , a k-dim vector of logits, where k is the number of classes
  - $-\theta$  is the set of params (weights and biases)
  - y is the correct label for input x
  - Note that  $h_{\theta}$  does not include the last SoftMax layer
- e.g., a 3-layer NN consisting of 2 layers with ReLU activation functions and a last linear layer is
  - $-h_{\theta}(x) = W_3 \max(0, W_2 \max(0, W_1 x + b_1) + b_2) + b_3$

# Cross-Entropy Loss for Multi-Class Classification

• The SoftMax operator  $\sigma: \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^k$  computes a vector of predicted probabilities  $\sigma(z): \mathbb{R}^k$  from a vector of logits  $z: \mathbb{R}^k$ , where k is the number of classes:

$$- \sigma(z)_i = \frac{\exp(z_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^k \exp(z_j)}$$

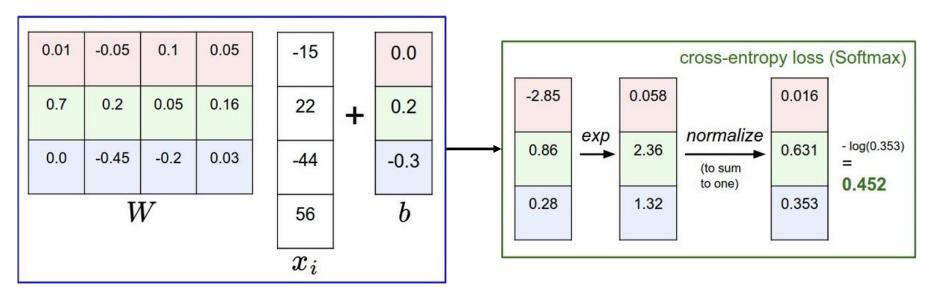
 The loss function is defined as the negative log likelihood of the predicted probability corresponding to the correct label y:

$$- \operatorname{Loss}(h_{\theta}(x), y) = -\log \sigma (h_{\theta}(x))_{y} = -\log \left(\frac{\exp(h_{\theta}(x)_{y})}{\sum_{j=1}^{k} \exp(h_{\theta}(x)_{j})}\right) = \log \left(\sum_{j=1}^{k} \exp(h_{\theta}(x)_{j})\right) - h_{\theta}(x)_{y}$$

• Minimizing  $\operatorname{Loss}(h_{\theta}(x),y)$  amounts to maximizing the logit  $(h_{\theta}(x))_y$  corresponding to the correct label y

## Cross-Entropy Loss Example

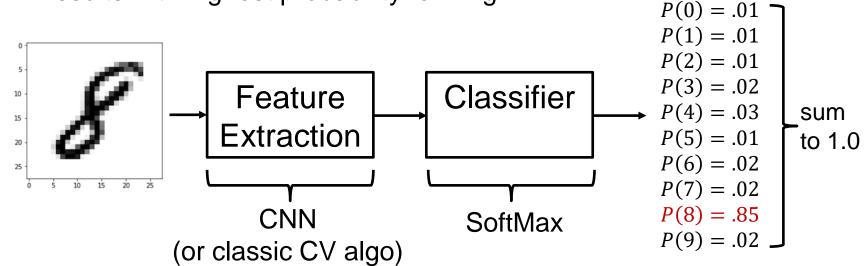
- Consider a NN for 3-class classification. Fig shows the last linear layer and the SoftMax layer
- The last linear layer computes the vector of logits  $h_{\theta}(x) = Wx_i + b = [-2.85 .86 .28]^T(x)$  is the intermediate input to the last layer)
- The SoftMax layer computes the vector of predicted probabilities  $[.016 \ .631 \ .353]^T$  for labels  $[1 \ 2 \ 3]^T$ , and the loss  $-\log.353$ , assuming correct label  $y_i = 3$



SoftMax Layer

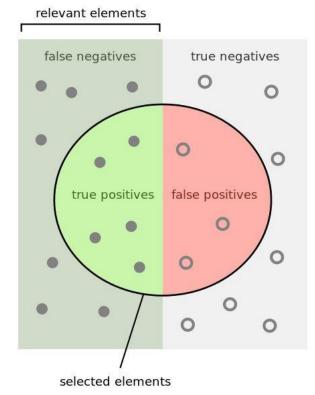
## Example CV Task: Multi-Class Image Classification

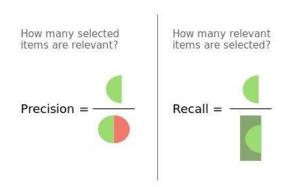
- Input encoding:
  - A color image is a 3D tensor encoded as a vector of integers between [0, 255] (assuming 8-bit pixel depth) denoting pixel intensities for 3 RGB channels, e.g. a 128x128 pixel color image is a 128x128x3 tensor, encoded as a vector of size 128\*128\*3=49152
  - A greyscale image is a 128x128x1 tensor
- Two stages: feature extraction from input, and classification based on extracted features
- Classifier returns output as a list of probabilities with size equal to the number of classes, but it may also return the top-1 or top-5 results with highest probability ranking



### **Binary Classification Metrics**

- The relevant class is considered "positive" in a binary classifier
- e.g., for a medical test that aims to diagnose people with a certain disease. "Positive" denotes sick (has disease), and "negative" denotes healthy (no disease)
  - TP: a sick person is diagnosed as sick
  - TN: a healthy person is diagnosed as healthy
  - FP: a healthy person is misdiagnosed as sick
  - FN: a sick person is misdiagnosed as healthy





## **Example Confusion Matrix 1**

- Precision =  $\frac{TP}{TP+FP} = \frac{100}{100+700} = .125$ 
  - When the classifier predicts positive, it is correct 12.5% of the time
- Recall (TPR) =  $\frac{TP}{TP+FN} = \frac{100}{100+200} \approx .333$ 
  - The classier catches 33.3% of all the positive cases.
- $F1 = 2 * \frac{\text{Recall*Precision}}{(\text{Recall+Precision})} = 2 * \frac{.333*.125}{.333+.125} = .182$
- False Positive Rate (FPR) =  $\frac{FP}{FP+TN} = \frac{700}{700+9000} \approx .072$ 
  - The classier misclassifies 7.2% of the negative cases as positive
- Accuracy =  $\frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN} = \frac{100+9000}{100+9000+700+200} = .91$ 
  - The classier makes the correct prediction 91% percent of the time
- Positive correlation between TPR vs. FPR; Unpredictable correlation between precision vs. recall

		Predicted / Classified	
		- (Negative)	+ (Positive)
True	- (Negative)	True Negative (TN) 9,000	False Positive (FP) 700
	+ (Positive)	False Negative (FN) 200	True Positive (TP) 100

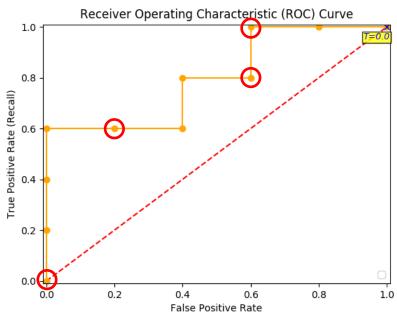
## **Example Confusion Matrix 2**

- Precision =  $\frac{TP}{TP+FP} = \frac{0}{0+0}$  (ill-defined)
  - When the classifier predicts positive, it is correct ?% of the time (since it never predicts positive, the question is ill-defined)
- Recall (TPR) =  $\frac{TP}{TP+FN} = \frac{0}{0+300} = 0$ 
  - The classier catches 0% of all the positive cases.
- False Positive Rate (FPR) =  $\frac{FP}{FP+TN} = \frac{0}{0+9700} = 0$ 
  - The classier misclassifies 0% of the negative cases as positive
- Accuracy =  $\frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN} = \frac{0+9700}{0+9700+0+300} = .97$ 
  - The classier makes the correct prediction 97% percent of the time
- A medical test that never makes any positive diagnoses is very accurate for a rare disease (declare everyone to be healthy), but not very useful

		Predicted / Classified	
		- (Negative)	+ (Positive)
True	- (Negative)	True Negative (TN) 9,700	False Positive (FP) 0
	+ (Positive)	False Negative (FN) 300	True Positive (TP) 0

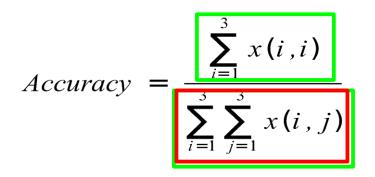
### **ROC Curve**

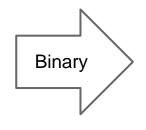
- Binary classification results typically depend on a decision threshold parameter. Moving the decision threshold will cause FPR and TPR to move in the same direction
  - e.g., a medical test that sets a high threshold for positive diagnosis will have both low FPR and low TPR, and vice versa
- Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve plots FPR (x-axis) vs. TPR (y-axis):
  - Fig shows an example with 4 points (FPR, TPR) highlighted: (0,0), (.2, .6), (.6, .8), (.6,1.0)
  - The ideal ROC curve:  $FPR \equiv 0$ ,  $TPR \equiv 1$ , with FP = FN = 0

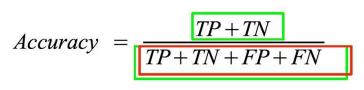


# Confusion Matrix for Multi-Class Classification

 Binary classification is a special case of multi-class classification:







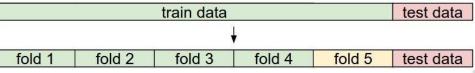
		Prediction		
		Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
Ground Truth	Class 1	x(1,1)	x(1,2)	x(1,3)
	Class 2	x(2,1)	x(2,2)	x(2,3)
	Class 3	x(3,1)	x(3,2)	x(3,3)

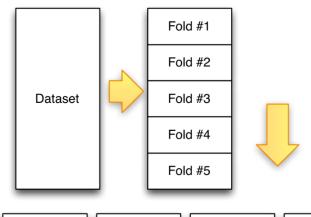
		Prediction		
		Positives	negative	
Ground Truth	Positives	True positive (TP)	False negative (FN)	
	Negative	False positives (FP)	True negative (TN)	

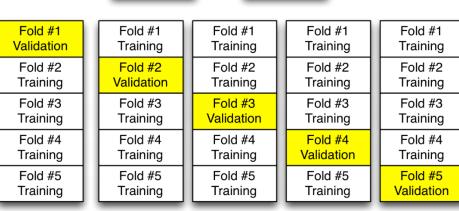
## Training Neural Networks

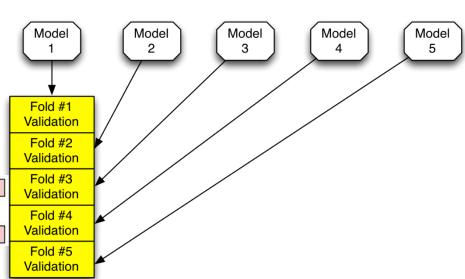
### K-Fold Cross-Validation

- Divide data into train data and test data
- Since we cannot peek at the test data during training time, we use part of the train data for Cross-Validation:
- e.g., Divide training data into K=5 parts (folds). Use each fold as validation data, and the other 4 folds as training data. Cycle through the choice of which fold used for validation and average results.



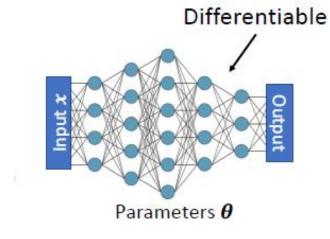




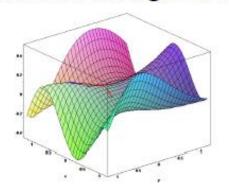


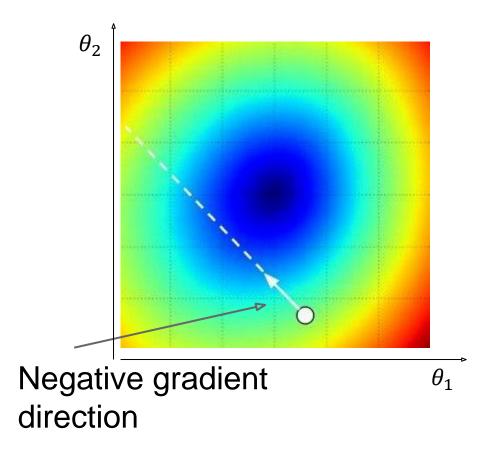
### **Gradient Descent**

• Gradient descent  $\theta \leftarrow \theta - \alpha \nabla_{\theta} \text{Loss}(x, y; \theta)$ 

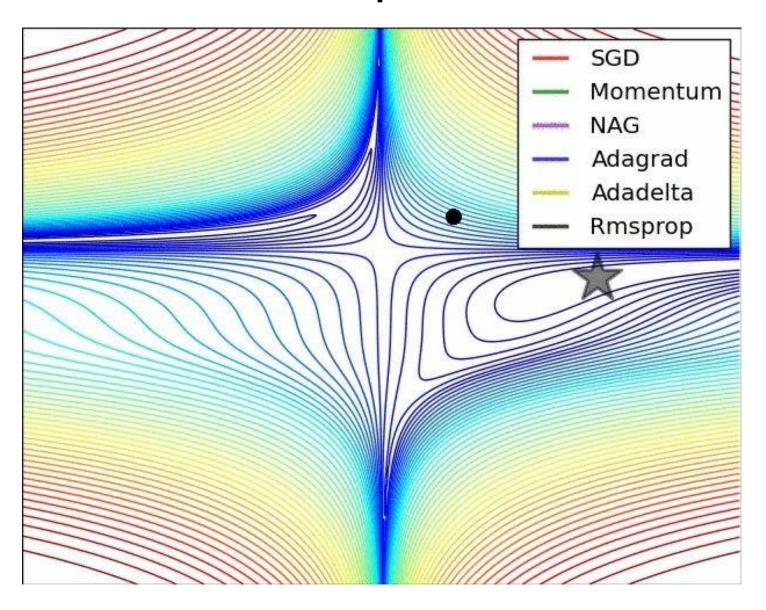


Can use gradient descent method to find good  $\theta$ 





## Different GD Update Formulas



### Mini-batch Stochastic Gradient Descent

- Only use a small portion (a mini-batch) of the training data to compute the gradient
- Common mini-batch sizes are 32/64/128 examples

### Loop:

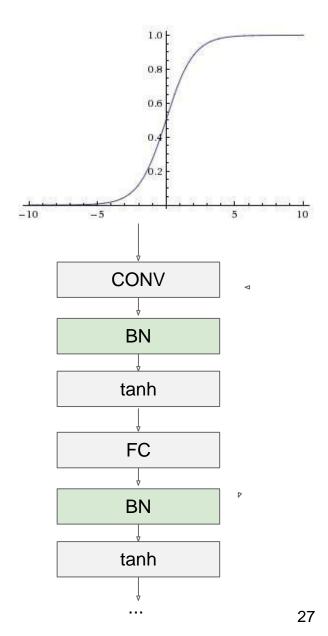
- Sample a mini-batch of data
- Forward prop it through the graph, get loss
- Backprop to calculate the gradients
- Update the parameters using gradient descent

### **Batch Normalization**

- For each mini-batch:
  - 1. Compute the empirical mean and variance independently for each dimension i = 1, ... m
  - 2. Normalize to a unit Gaussian with 0 mean and unit variance
- BN layers inserted before nonlinear activation function, and it keeps x's average value around 0 for maximum gradient during learning
- Scale and shift params  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$  gives more flexibility during training
- Benefits:
  - Improves gradient flow through the network; Allows higher learning rates; Reduces the strong dependence on initialization; Acts as a form of regularization

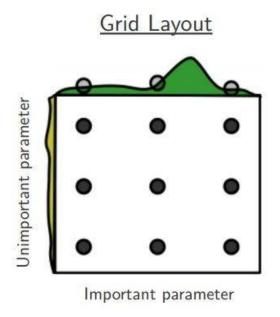
Input: Values of x over a mini-batch:  $\mathcal{B} = \{x_{1...m}\}$ ;

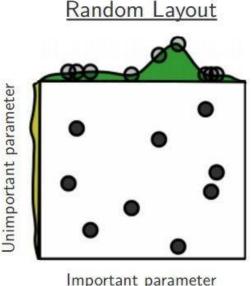
Parameters to be learned:  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ Output:  $\{y_i = \mathrm{BN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)\}$   $\mu_{\mathcal{B}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \qquad // \text{mini-batch mean}$   $\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}})^2 \qquad // \text{mini-batch variance}$   $\widehat{x}_i \leftarrow \frac{x_i - \mu_{\mathcal{B}}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{\mathcal{B}}^2 + \epsilon}} \qquad // \text{normalize}$   $y_i \leftarrow \gamma \widehat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \mathrm{BN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i) \qquad // \text{scale and shift}$ 



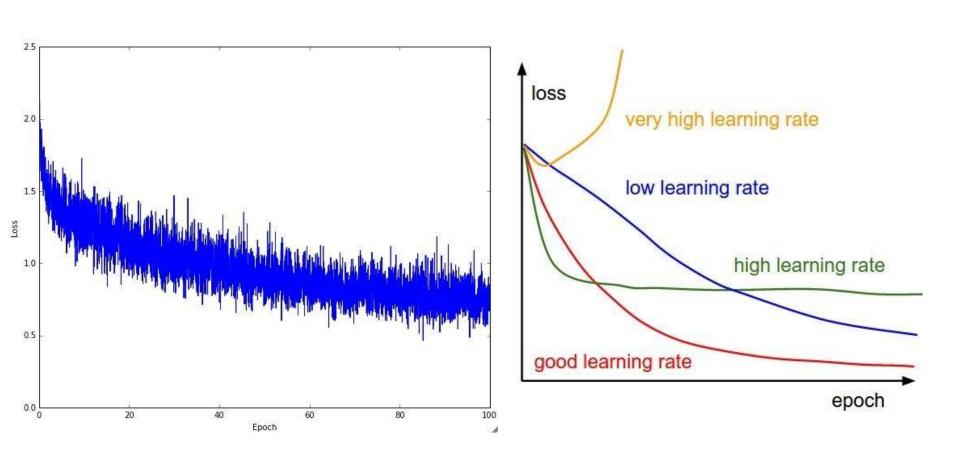
## Hyperparameter Optimization

- Example hyperparams
  - Network architecture
  - Learning rate, its decay schedule, update type
  - Regularization (L2/Dropout strength)
- Grid search vs. random search



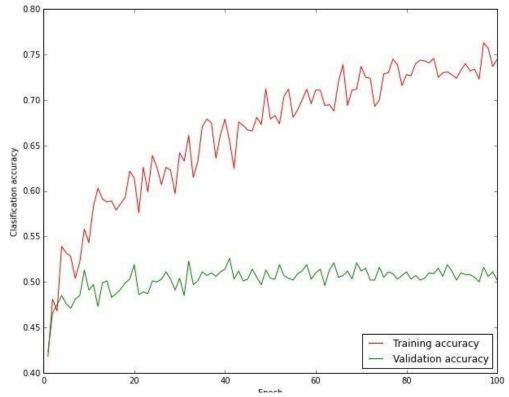


## The Loss Curve during Training



## Classification Accuracy

- Big gap between training accuracy and validation accuracy may imply overfitting => decrease model capacity?
- No gap may imply underfitting => increase model capacity?



## Data Augmentation for Enlarging Training Dataset

 Mirroring, random cropping, color shifting, rotation, shearing, local warping...

