# Lab 2: Cats vs Dogs

Deadline: Feb 01, 5:00pm

**Late Penalty**: There is a penalty-free grace period of one hour past the deadline. Any work that is submitted between 1 hour and 24 hours past the deadline will receive a 20% grade deduction. No other late work is accepted. Quercus submission time will be used, not your local computer time. You can submit your labs as many times as you want before the deadline, so please submit often and early.

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This lab is partially based on an assignment developed by Prof. Jonathan Rose and Harris Chan.

In this lab, you will train a convolutional neural network to classify an image into one of two classes: "cat" or "dog". The code for the neural networks you train will be written for you, and you are not (yet!) expected to understand all provided code. However, by the end of the lab, you should be able to:

- 1. Understand at a high level the training loop for a machine learning model.
- 2. Understand the distinction between training, validation, and test data.
- 3. The concepts of overfitting and underfitting.
- 4. Investigate how different hyperparameters, such as learning rate and batch size, affect the success of training.
- 5. Compare an ANN (aka Multi-Layer Perceptron) with a CNN.

#### What to submit

Submit a PDF file containing all your code, outputs, and write-up from parts 1-5. You can produce a PDF of your Google Colab file by going to **File > Print** and then save as PDF. The Colab instructions has more information.

Do not submit any other files produced by your code.

Include a link to your colab file in your submission.

Please use Google Colab to complete this assignment. If you want to use Jupyter Notebook, please complete the assignment and upload your Jupyter Notebook file to Google Colab for submission.

With Colab, you can export a PDF file using the menu option File -> Print and save as PDF file. Adjust the scaling to ensure that the text is not cutoff at the margins.

### Colab Link

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```
In [2]: import numpy as np
   import time
   import torch
   import torch.nn as nn
   import torch.nn.functional as F
   import torch.optim as optim
   import torchvision
   from torch.utils.data.sampler import SubsetRandomSampler
   import torchvision.transforms as transforms
```

### Part 0. Helper Functions

We will be making use of the following helper functions. You will be asked to look at and possibly modify some of these, but you are not expected to understand all of them.

You should look at the function names and read the docstrings. If you are curious, come back and explore the code *after* making some progress on the lab.

```
#######
       # Data Loading
       def get relevant indices(dataset, classes, target classes):
           """ Return the indices for datapoints in the dataset that belongs to
       the
           desired target classes, a subset of all possible classes.
           Args:
               dataset: Dataset object
               classes: A list of strings denoting the name of each class
               target classes: A list of strings denoting the name of desired c
       lasses
                              Should be a subset of the 'classes'
           Returns:
               indices: list of indices that have labels corresponding to one o
       f the
                       target classes
           indices = []
           for i in range(len(dataset)):
               # Check if the label is in the target classes
               label index = dataset[i][1] # ex: 3
               label class = classes[label index] # ex: 'cat'
               if label_class in target_classes:
                  indices.append(i)
           return indices
       def get data loader(target classes, batch size):
           """ Loads images of cats and dogs, splits the data into training, va
           and testing datasets. Returns data loaders for the three preprocesse
       d datasets.
           Args:
               target classes: A list of strings denoting the name of the desir
       ed
                              classes. Should be a subset of the argument 'cla
       sses'
               batch size: A int representing the number of samples per batch
           Returns:
               train loader: iterable training dataset organized according to b
       atch size
               val loader: iterable validation dataset organized according to b
       atch size
               test loader: iterable testing dataset organized according to bat
       ch size
               classes: A list of strings denoting the name of each class
           classes = ('plane', 'car', 'bird', 'cat',
                     'deer', 'dog', 'frog', 'horse', 'ship', 'truck')
           ####
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# The output of torchvision datasets are PILImage images of range
 [0, 1].
   # We transform them to Tensors of normalized range [-1, 1].
   transform = transforms.Compose(
        [transforms.ToTensor(),
        transforms.Normalize((0.5, 0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5, 0.5))])
    # Load CIFAR10 training data
   trainset = torchvision.datasets.CIFAR10(root='./data', train=True,
                                           download=True, transform=tra
nsform)
   # Get the list of indices to sample from
   relevant_indices = get_relevant_indices(trainset, classes, target_cl
asses)
   # Split into train and validation
   np.random.seed(1000) # Fixed numpy random seed for reproducible shuf
fling
   np.random.shuffle(relevant_indices)
   split = int(len(relevant_indices) * 0.8) #split at 80%
   # split into training and validation indices
   relevant train indices, relevant val indices = relevant indices[:spl
it], relevant indices[split:]
   train_sampler = SubsetRandomSampler(relevant train indices)
   train_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(trainset, batch_size=batc
h_size,
                                              num workers=1, sampler=tr
ain sampler)
   val sampler = SubsetRandomSampler(relevant val indices)
   val loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(trainset, batch size=batch
size,
                                            num workers=1, sampler=val
sampler)
   # Load CIFAR10 testing data
   testset = torchvision.datasets.CIFAR10(root='./data', train=False,
                                         download=True, transform=tran
sform)
   # Get the list of indices to sample from
   relevant test indices = get relevant indices(testset, classes, targe
t classes)
   test sampler = SubsetRandomSampler(relevant test indices)
   test loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(testset, batch size=batch
size,
                                           num workers=1, sampler=test
_sampler)
   return train loader, val loader, test loader, classes
######
# Training
def get model name(name, batch size, learning rate, epoch):
    """ Generate a name for the model consisting of all the hyperparamet
er values
   Args:
        config: Configuration object containing the hyperparameters
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path: A string with the hyperparameter name and value concatenat
ed
   path = model_{0} bs_{1} lr_{2} epoch_{3}".format(name,
                                                 batch size,
                                                 learning_rate,
                                                 epoch)
   return path
def normalize label(labels):
   Given a tensor containing 2 possible values, normalize this to 0/1
   Args:
       labels: a 1D tensor containing two possible scalar values
   Returns:
       A tensor normalize to 0/1 value
   max_val = torch.max(labels)
   min val = torch.min(labels)
   norm_labels = (labels - min_val)/(max_val - min_val)
   return norm labels
def evaluate(net, loader, criterion):
    """ Evaluate the network on the validation set.
    Args:
        net: PyTorch neural network object
        loader: PyTorch data loader for the validation set
        criterion: The loss function
    Returns:
        err: A scalar for the avg classification error over the validat
        loss: A scalar for the average loss function over the validatio
n set
   total loss = 0.0
   total err = 0.0
   total epoch = 0
   for i, data in enumerate(loader, 0):
       inputs, labels = data
       labels = normalize label(labels) # Convert labels to 0/1
       outputs = net(inputs)
       loss = criterion(outputs, labels.float())
       corr = (outputs > 0.0).squeeze().long() != labels
       total err += int(corr.sum())
       total loss += loss.item()
       total epoch += len(labels)
   err = float(total err) / total epoch
   loss = float(total_loss) / (i + 1)
   return err, loss
######
# Training Curve
def plot training curve(path):
    """ Plots the training curve for a model run, given the csv files
```

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containing the train/validation error/loss.
Args:
   path: The base path of the csv files produced during training
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
train_err = np.loadtxt("{}_train_err.csv".format(path))
val_err = np.loadtxt("{}_val_err.csv".format(path))
train_loss = np.loadtxt("{}_train_loss.csv".format(path))
val loss = np.loadtxt("{} val loss.csv".format(path))
plt.title("Train vs Validation Error")
n = len(train_err) # number of epochs
plt.plot(range(1,n+1), train err, label="Train")
plt.plot(range(1,n+1), val_err, label="Validation")
plt.xlabel("Epoch")
plt.ylabel("Error")
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.show()
plt.title("Train vs Validation Loss")
plt.plot(range(1,n+1), train loss, label="Train")
plt.plot(range(1,n+1), val loss, label="Validation")
plt.xlabel("Epoch")
plt.ylabel("Loss")
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.show()
```

## Part 1. Visualizing the Data [7 pt]

We will make use of some of the CIFAR-10 data set, which consists of colour images of size 32x32 pixels belonging to 10 categories. You can find out more about the dataset at <a href="https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html">https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html</a> (https://www.cs.toronto.edu/~kriz/cifar.html)

For this assignment, we will only be using the cat and dog categories. We have included code that automatically downloads the dataset the first time that the main script is run.

#### Part (a) -- 1 pt

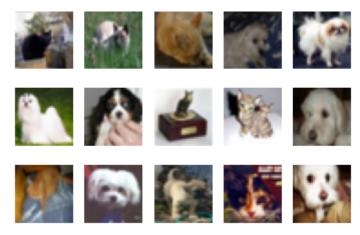
Visualize some of the data by running the code below. Include the visualization in your writeup.

(You don't need to submit anything else.)

```
In [5]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

k = 0
for images, labels in train_loader:
    # since batch_size = 1, there is only 1 image in `images`
    image = images[0]
    # place the colour channel at the end, instead of at the beginning
    img = np.transpose(image, [1,2,0])
    # normalize pixel intensity values to [0, 1]
    img = img / 2 + 0.5
    plt.subplot(3, 5, k+1)
    plt.axis('off')
    plt.imshow(img)

k += 1
    if k > 14:
        break
```



### Part (b) -- 3 pt

How many training examples do we have for the combined cat and dog classes? What about validation examples? What about test examples?

```
In [6]: print("Training Examples =", len(train_loader))
    print("Validation Examples =", len(val_loader))
    print("Test Examples =", len(test_loader))

Training Examples = 8000
    Validation Examples = 2000
    Test Examples = 2000
```

#### Part (c) -- 3pt

Why do we need a validation set when training our model? What happens if we judge the performance of our models using the training set loss/error instead of the validation set loss/error?

We need validation set when training our model to avoid overfitting. We can use the validation set to tune the higher level hyperparameters. The model directly learns from a training set, whereas the model is indirectly learning from the validation set by the user changing the hyperparameters. If we judge the performance of our models using the training set loss/error instead of validation set loss/error, we could be overfitting our data.

```
In [6]:
```

## Part 2. Training [15 pt]

We define two neural networks, a LargeNet and SmallNet. We'll be training the networks in this section.

You won't understand fully what these networks are doing until the next few classes, and that's okay. For this assignment, please focus on learning how to train networks, and how hyperparameters affect training.

```
In [7]: class LargeNet(nn.Module):
            def init (self):
                super(LargeNet, self).__init__()
                self.name = "large"
                self.conv1 = nn.Conv2d(3, 5, 5)
                self.pool = nn.MaxPool2d(2, 2)
                self.conv2 = nn.Conv2d(5, 10, 5)
                self.fc1 = nn.Linear(10 * 5 * 5, 32)
                self.fc2 = nn.Linear(32, 1)
            def forward(self, x):
                x = self.pool(F.relu(self.conv1(x)))
                x = self.pool(F.relu(self.conv2(x)))
                x = x.view(-1, 10 * 5 * 5)
                x = F.relu(self.fcl(x))
                x = self.fc2(x)
                x = x.squeeze(1) # Flatten to [batch size]
                return x
```

```
In [8]: class SmallNet(nn.Module):
            def __init__(self):
                super(SmallNet, self).__init__()
                self.name = "small"
                self.conv = nn.Conv2d(3, 5, 3)
                self.pool = nn.MaxPool2d(2, 2)
                self.fc = nn.Linear(5 * 7 * 7, 1)
            def forward(self, x):
                x = self.pool(F.relu(self.conv(x)))
                x = self.pool(x)
                x = x.view(-1, 5 * 7 * 7)
                x = self.fc(x)
                x = x.squeeze(1) # Flatten to [batch size]
                return x
In [9]: small net = SmallNet()
        large_net = LargeNet()
```

#### Part (a) -- 2pt

The methods small\_net.parameters() and large\_net.parameters() produces an iterator of all the trainable parameters of the network. These parameters are torch tensors containing many scalar values.

We haven't learned how how the parameters in these high-dimensional tensors will be used, but we should be able to count the number of parameters. Measuring the number of parameters in a network is one way of measuring the "size" of a network.

What is the total number of parameters in small\_net and in large\_net? (Hint: how many numbers are in each tensor?)

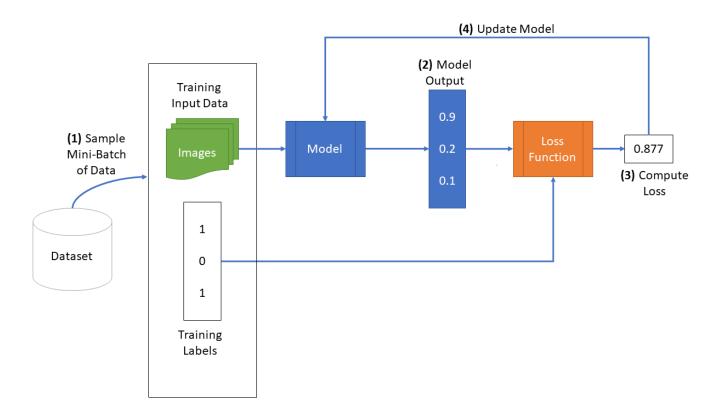
Total number of parameters in small\_net = 386

```
In [12]: for param in large_net.parameters():
             print(param.shape)
         torch.Size([5, 3, 5, 5])
         torch.Size([5])
         torch.Size([10, 5, 5, 5])
         torch.Size([10])
         torch.Size([32, 250])
         torch.Size([32])
         torch.Size([1, 32])
         torch.Size([1])
In [13]: for param in large_net.parameters():
             print(param.shape.numel())
         375
         5
         1250
         10
         8000
         32
         32
         1
```

Total number of parameters in large\_net = 9705

#### The function train\_net

The function train\_net below takes an untrained neural network (like small\_net and large\_net) and several other parameters. You should be able to understand how this function works. The figure below shows the high level training loop for a machine learning model:



```
In [14]: def train net(net, batch size=64, learning rate=0.01, num epochs=30):
          ####
          # Train a classifier on cats vs dogs
          target_classes = ["cat", "dog"]
          ####
          # Fixed PyTorch random seed for reproducible result
          torch.manual seed(1000)
          # Obtain the PyTorch data loader objects to load batches of the data
       sets
          train loader, val loader, test loader, classes = get data loader(
                 target classes, batch size)
          ####
          # Define the Loss function and optimizer
          # The loss function will be Binary Cross Entropy (BCE). In this case
          # will use the BCEWithLogitsLoss which takes unnormalized output fro
       m
          # the neural network and scalar label.
          # Optimizer will be SGD with Momentum.
          criterion = nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss()
          optimizer = optim.SGD(net.parameters(), lr=learning rate, momentum=
       0.9)
          ####
          # Set up some numpy arrays to store the training/test loss/erruracy
          train err = np.zeros(num epochs)
          train loss = np.zeros(num epochs)
          val err = np.zeros(num epochs)
          val loss = np.zeros(num epochs)
          ####
          # Train the network
          # Loop over the data iterator and sample a new batch of training dat
       а
          # Get the output from the network, and optimize our loss function.
          start time = time.time()
          for epoch in range(num epochs): # loop over the dataset multiple ti
       mes
              total train loss = 0.0
              total train err = 0.0
              total epoch = 0
              for i, data in enumerate(train loader, 0):
                 # Get the inputs
                 inputs, labels = data
                 labels = normalize label(labels) # Convert labels to 0/1
                 # Zero the parameter gradients
                 optimizer.zero grad()
                 # Forward pass, backward pass, and optimize
                 outputs = net(inputs)
                 loss = criterion(outputs, labels.float())
                 loss.backward()
```

```
optimizer.step()
            # Calculate the statistics
            corr = (outputs > 0.0).squeeze().long() != labels
            total train err += int(corr.sum())
            total_train_loss += loss.item()
            total_epoch += len(labels)
        train_err[epoch] = float(total_train_err) / total_epoch
        train loss[epoch] = float(total train loss) / (i+1)
        val_err[epoch], val_loss[epoch] = evaluate(net, val_loader, crit
erion)
        print(("Epoch {}: Train err: {}, Train loss: {} | "+
               "Validation err: {}, Validation loss: {}").format(
                   epoch + 1,
                   train err[epoch],
                   train loss[epoch],
                   val_err[epoch],
                   val loss[epoch]))
        # Save the current model (checkpoint) to a file
       model path = get model name(net.name, batch size, learning rate,
epoch)
        torch.save(net.state dict(), model path)
   print('Finished Training')
   end time = time.time()
   elapsed_time = end_time - start_time
   print("Total time elapsed: {:.2f} seconds".format(elapsed time))
   # Write the train/test loss/err into CSV file for plotting later
   epochs = np.arange(1, num_epochs + 1)
   np.savetxt("{}_train_err.csv".format(model_path), train_err)
   np.savetxt("{} train loss.csv".format(model path), train loss)
   np.savetxt("{} val err.csv".format(model path), val err)
   np.savetxt("{}_val_loss.csv".format(model_path), val_loss)
```

### Part (b) -- 1pt

The parameters to the function train\_net are hyperparameters of our neural network. We made these hyperparameters easy to modify so that we can tune them later on.

What are the default values of the parameters batch size, learning rate, and num epochs?

Default value batch\_size: 64

Default value learning\_rate: 0.01

Default value num\_epochs: 30

#### Part (c) -- 3 pt

What files are written to disk when we call train\_net with small\_net, and train for 5 epochs? Provide a list of all the files written to disk, and what information the files contain.

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch0

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch1

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch2

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch3

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch4

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch4\_train\_err.csv (training set error for epoch 4(5))

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch4\_train\_loss.csv (training set loss for epoch 4(5))

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch4\_val\_err.csv (validation set error for epoch 4(5))

model\_small\_bs64\_lr0.01\_epoch4\_val\_loss.csv (validation set loss for epoch 4(5))

In [15]: | train\_net(small\_net)

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Files already downloaded and verified
Files already downloaded and verified
Epoch 1: Train err: 0.427625, Train loss: 0.6741959056854248 | Validatio
n err: 0.3775, Validation loss: 0.6597265005111694
Epoch 2: Train err: 0.365125, Train loss: 0.6430219621658325 | Validatio
n err: 0.3705, Validation loss: 0.6553609501570463
Epoch 3: Train err: 0.347, Train loss: 0.6270276293754578 | Validation e
rr: 0.348, Validation loss: 0.6260313391685486
Epoch 4: Train err: 0.333625, Train loss: 0.6116100740432739 | Validatio
n err: 0.3565, Validation loss: 0.6285025924444199
Epoch 5: Train err: 0.32075, Train loss: 0.6046628150939941 | Validation
err: 0.3395, Validation loss: 0.6177340876311064
Epoch 6: Train err: 0.3145, Train loss: 0.5928595442771911 | Validation
err: 0.3355, Validation loss: 0.6153966169804335
Epoch 7: Train err: 0.310625, Train loss: 0.5870834405422211 | Validatio
n err: 0.3285, Validation loss: 0.6046376973390579
Epoch 8: Train err: 0.303625, Train loss: 0.5786808829307556 | Validatio
n err: 0.323, Validation loss: 0.6003656964749098
Epoch 9: Train err: 0.297125, Train loss: 0.5744030501842499 | Validatio
n err: 0.312, Validation loss: 0.5955771449953318
Epoch 10: Train err: 0.293125, Train loss: 0.5672098655700684 | Validati
on err: 0.3095, Validation loss: 0.5867132395505905
Epoch 11: Train err: 0.284875, Train loss: 0.565056690454483 | Validatio
n err: 0.3125, Validation loss: 0.5887837186455727
Epoch 12: Train err: 0.2875, Train loss: 0.5605644233226776 | Validation
err: 0.3135, Validation loss: 0.5852970713749528
Epoch 13: Train err: 0.28425, Train loss: 0.560438283920288 | Validation
err: 0.302, Validation loss: 0.584381926804781
Epoch 14: Train err: 0.283, Train loss: 0.5547531487941741 | Validation
err: 0.3175, Validation loss: 0.5920804627239704
Epoch 15: Train err: 0.28075, Train loss: 0.5518253128528595 | Validatio
n err: 0.3115, Validation loss: 0.596444352529943
Epoch 16: Train err: 0.280625, Train loss: 0.555060781955719 | Validatio
n err: 0.3105, Validation loss: 0.5944277262315154
Epoch 17: Train err: 0.276625, Train loss: 0.5498158397674561 | Validati
on err: 0.2955, Validation loss: 0.5777709009125829
Epoch 18: Train err: 0.272375, Train loss: 0.5473316473960876 | Validati
on err: 0.302, Validation loss: 0.5780399432405829
Epoch 19: Train err: 0.26975, Train loss: 0.5431778583526611 | Validatio
n err: 0.3045, Validation loss: 0.5853669550269842
Epoch 20: Train err: 0.2755, Train loss: 0.5432542805671692 | Validation
err: 0.2945, Validation loss: 0.582625100389123
Epoch 21: Train err: 0.275875, Train loss: 0.5445209119319916 | Validati
on err: 0.2905, Validation loss: 0.5738702621310949
Epoch 22: Train err: 0.27225, Train loss: 0.5436846029758453 | Validatio
n err: 0.299, Validation loss: 0.5847234949469566
Epoch 23: Train err: 0.266875, Train loss: 0.5407049005031586 | Validati
on err: 0.302, Validation loss: 0.5728532336652279
Epoch 24: Train err: 0.2745, Train loss: 0.5411817135810852 | Validation
err: 0.29, Validation loss: 0.579209977760911
Epoch 25: Train err: 0.272125, Train loss: 0.5385495419502259 | Validati
on err: 0.3035, Validation loss: 0.5823763059452176
Epoch 26: Train err: 0.26825, Train loss: 0.5372853455543518 | Validatio
n err: 0.294, Validation loss: 0.5718310056254268
Epoch 27: Train err: 0.265375, Train loss: 0.5354727454185486 | Validati
on err: 0.3105, Validation loss: 0.594637275673449
Epoch 28: Train err: 0.268875, Train loss: 0.5384577159881592 | Validati
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on err: 0.3, Validation loss: 0.5777103006839752

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.26775, Train loss: 0.5374719173908233 | Validation err: 0.2935, Validation loss: 0.5779346721246839

Epoch 30: Train err: 0.266625, Train loss: 0.5363995409011841 | Validation err: 0.292, Validation loss: 0.5878843413665891

Finished Training

Total time elapsed: 111.43 seconds
```

#### Part (d) -- 2pt

Train both small\_net and large\_net using the function train\_net and its default parameters. The function will write many files to disk, including a model checkpoint (saved values of model weights) at the end of each epoch.

If you are using Google Colab, you will need to mount Google Drive so that the files generated by train\_net gets saved. We will be using these files in part (d). (See the Google Colab tutorial for more information about this.)

Report the total time elapsed when training each network. Which network took longer to train? Why?

```
In [16]: # Since the function writes files to disk, you will need to mount
# your Google Drive. If you are working on the lab locally, you
# can comment out this code.

from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/gdrive')
```

Mounted at /content/gdrive

In [17]: train\_net(small\_net)

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n err: 0.2805, Validation loss: 0.5639690523967147

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n err: 0.2965, Validation loss: 0.572383938357234

Epoch 30: Train err: 0.26475, Train loss: 0.5271118569374085 | Validatio

n err: 0.2975, Validation loss: 0.575899419374764

Finished Training

Total time elapsed: 112.26 seconds

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In [18]: large_net = LargeNet()
  train_net(large_net, 64, 0.01, 30)
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on err: 0.2975, Validation loss: 0.6434079697355628

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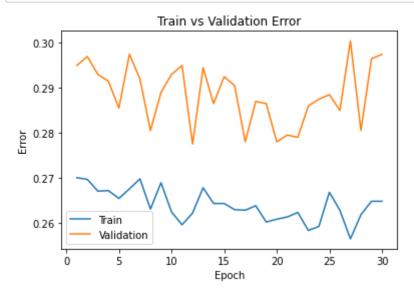
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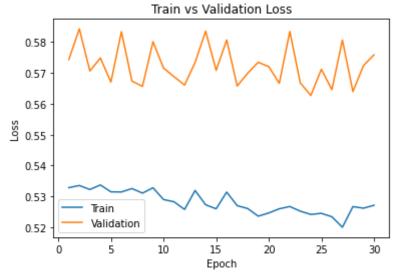
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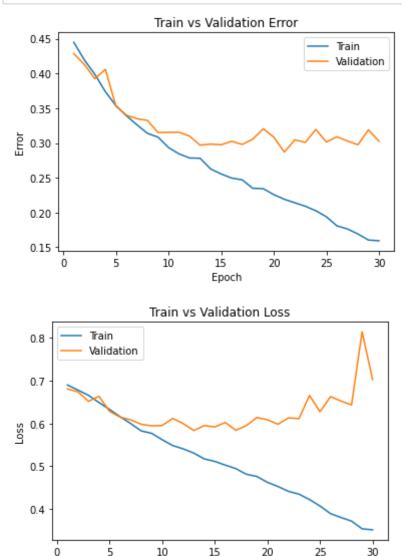
#### Part (e) - 2pt

Use the function plot\_training\_curve to display the trajectory of the training/validation error and the training/validation loss. You will need to use the function get\_model\_name to generate the argument to the plot\_training\_curve function.

Do this for both the small network and the large network. Include both plots in your writeup.







### Part (f) - 5pt

Describe what you notice about the training curve. How do the curves differ for small\_net and large net? Identify any occurrences of underfitting and overfitting.

Epoch

The training curve for small\_net is somewhat stable (oscillates up and down) as the number of epoch increases, whereas the training curve for large\_net is continuously decreasing as the number of epoch increases.

The small\_net seems to be overfitting because the error on the training set is low, but the error on the validation set is large.

The large\_net seems to be underfitting at lower number of epochs because both the error on the training set and the validation set is high. As the number of epoch increases, large\_net seems to be overfitting because the error on the training set is low, whereas the error on the validation set is large.

# Part 3. Optimization Parameters [12 pt]

For this section, we will work with <code>large\_net</code> only.

### Part (a) - 3pt

Train large\_net with all default parameters, except set learning\_rate=0.001. Does the model take longer/shorter to train? Plot the training curve. Describe the effect of *lowering* the learning rate.

```
In [21]: # Note: When we re-construct the model, we start the training
    # with *random weights*. If we omit this code, the values of
    # the weights will still be the previously trained values.
    large_net = LargeNet()
    train_net(large_net, 64, 0.001, 30)
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n err: 0.4305, Validation loss: 0.691649341955781
Epoch 3: Train err: 0.43575, Train loss: 0.6916067280769348 | Validation
err: 0.4285, Validation loss: 0.690854424610734
Epoch 4: Train err: 0.43, Train loss: 0.690861343383789 | Validation er
r: 0.424, Validation loss: 0.6896595880389214
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n err: 0.4195, Validation loss: 0.6886935643851757
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n err: 0.411, Validation loss: 0.6808880660682917
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on err: 0.4125, Validation loss: 0.6780214440077543
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on err: 0.415, Validation loss: 0.6757059413939714
Epoch 14: Train err: 0.412375, Train loss: 0.6761112003326416 | Validati
on err: 0.412, Validation loss: 0.6739734839648008
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Epoch 18: Train err: 0.3995, Train loss: 0.6696742882728577 | Validation
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n err: 0.396, Validation loss: 0.6655019577592611
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n err: 0.405, Validation loss: 0.6626011095941067
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n err: 0.394, Validation loss: 0.660687854513526
Epoch 22: Train err: 0.388875, Train loss: 0.662373058795929 | Validatio
n err: 0.393, Validation loss: 0.6616998575627804
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n err: 0.3975, Validation loss: 0.6573981791734695
Epoch 24: Train err: 0.382375, Train loss: 0.6584009389877319 | Validati
on err: 0.386, Validation loss: 0.6561364810913801
Epoch 25: Train err: 0.37875, Train loss: 0.6554971766471863 | Validatio
n err: 0.388, Validation loss: 0.6552744228392839
Epoch 26: Train err: 0.376625, Train loss: 0.6531173253059387 | Validati
on err: 0.3875, Validation loss: 0.6531743723899126
Epoch 27: Train err: 0.375, Train loss: 0.6503696331977844 | Validation
err: 0.387, Validation loss: 0.6519789285957813
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on err: 0.3875, Validation loss: 0.6483502741903067

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.368375, Train loss: 0.6451257643699646 | Validati on err: 0.3825, Validation loss: 0.6459067314863205

Epoch 30: Train err: 0.362625, Train loss: 0.6423329524993896 | Validati on err: 0.3785, Validation loss: 0.6439237017184496

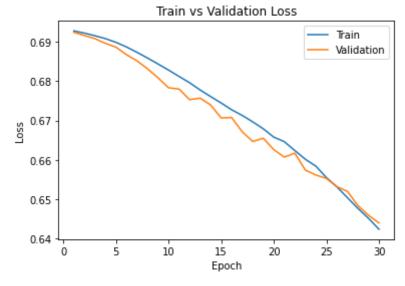
Finished Training
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Originally, with the learning\_rate = 0.01, the large\_net model took 120.32 seconds to train.

Now, with the learning rate = 0.001, the large\_net model takes 121.63 seconds to train.

Thus, the model takes longer time to train with a smaller learning rate (lr = 0.001).





As the learning rate was lowered, there is less overfitting because the error on the training set is not as low compared to the error on the validation set.

Before, the model showed overfitting when the number of epoch increased because the error on the training set was low while the error on the validation set was large.

However, as the learning rate was lowered, it seems that the error has increased for both the training set and the validation set. Also, as the learning rate was lowered, it seems that the loss has increased for training set, but has decreased for the validation set.

#### Part (b) - 3pt

Train large\_net with all default parameters, except set learning\_rate=0.1. Does the model take longer/shorter to train? Plot the training curve. Describe the effect of *increasing* the learning rate.

```
In [23]: large_net = LargeNet()
  train_net(large_net, 64, 0.1, 30)
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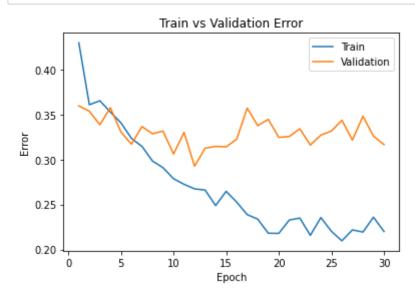
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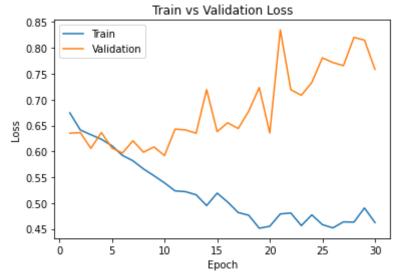
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ion err: 0.326, Validation loss: 0.8150460105389357
Epoch 30: Train err: 0.22, Train loss: 0.4623157248497009 | Validation e
rr: 0.3165, Validation loss: 0.7585078496485949
Finished Training
Total time elapsed: 126.47 seconds

Originally, with the learning\_rate = 0.01, the large\_net model took 120.32 seconds to train.

Now, with the learning rate = 0.1, the large\_net model takes 119.16 seconds to train.

Thus, the model takes shorter time to train with a larger learning rate (Ir = 0.1).





As the learning rate was increased, there is more overfitting because the error on the training set is lower compared to the error on the validation set.

Before, the model showed overfitting when the number of epoch increased because the error on the training set was low while the error on the validation set was large. Now, there is more difference in the training set and validation set.

Also, there seems to be more noise when the learning rate was increased.

#### Part (c) - 3pt

Train large\_net with all default parameters, including with learning\_rate=0.01. Now, set batch\_size=512. Does the model take longer/shorter to train? Plot the training curve. Describe the effect of increasing the batch size.

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In [25]: large_net = LargeNet()
  train_net(large_net, 512, 0.01, 30)
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err: 0.4115, Validation loss: 0.6814671903848648
Epoch 9: Train err: 0.42375, Train loss: 0.6832009293138981 | Validation
err: 0.414, Validation loss: 0.679591491818428
Epoch 10: Train err: 0.421, Train loss: 0.6811089366674423 | Validation
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on err: 0.4125, Validation loss: 0.6692148000001907
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err: 0.3945, Validation loss: 0.6624014377593994
Epoch 19: Train err: 0.38625, Train loss: 0.662746611982584 | Validation
err: 0.388, Validation loss: 0.6597220152616501
Epoch 20: Train err: 0.38175, Train loss: 0.6596181839704514 | Validatio
n err: 0.4005, Validation loss: 0.6564337313175201
Epoch 21: Train err: 0.38575, Train loss: 0.6584899798035622 | Validatio
n err: 0.3885, Validation loss: 0.6586423963308334
Epoch 22: Train err: 0.378125, Train loss: 0.655123382806778 | Validatio
n err: 0.3855, Validation loss: 0.6528600305318832
Epoch 23: Train err: 0.372125, Train loss: 0.6508794128894806 | Validati
on err: 0.3835, Validation loss: 0.6497963815927505
Epoch 24: Train err: 0.37675, Train loss: 0.6488028429448605 | Validatio
n err: 0.385, Validation loss: 0.6474899500608444
Epoch 25: Train err: 0.368625, Train loss: 0.6445869170129299 | Validati
on err: 0.382, Validation loss: 0.6473268568515778
Epoch 26: Train err: 0.372625, Train loss: 0.6428566053509712 | Validati
on err: 0.3745, Validation loss: 0.6425703465938568
Epoch 27: Train err: 0.359375, Train loss: 0.6372117549180984 | Validati
on err: 0.379, Validation loss: 0.6397799849510193
Epoch 28: Train err: 0.35425, Train loss: 0.6337667480111122 | Validatio
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n err: 0.3695, Validation loss: 0.6403783112764359

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.3535, Train loss: 0.6311353109776974 | Validation err: 0.366, Validation loss: 0.6335585117340088

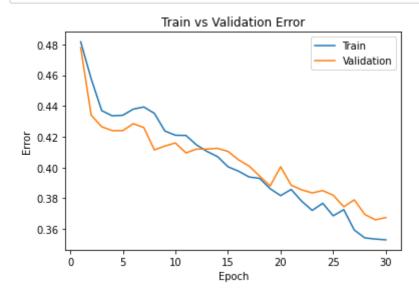
Epoch 30: Train err: 0.353, Train loss: 0.6283832415938377 | Validation err: 0.3675, Validation loss: 0.6324127316474915

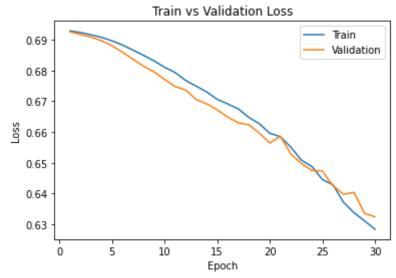
Finished Training
Total time elapsed: 112.23 seconds

Originally, with the batch\_size = 64, the large\_net model took 120.32 seconds to train.

Now, with the batch\_size = 512, the large\_net model takes 103.43 seconds to train.

Thus, the model takes shorter time to train with a larger batch\_size (batch\_size = 512).





As the batch size was increased, there is less overfitting because the error on the training set is not as low compared to the error on the validation set.

Before, the model showed overfitting when the number of epoch increased because the error on the training set was low while the error on the validation set was large.

However, as the batch size was increased, it seems that the error has increased for both the training set and the validation set. Also, as the batch size was increased, it seems that the loss has increased for training set, but has decreased for the validation set.

### Part (d) - 3pt

Train large\_net with all default parameters, including with learning\_rate=0.01. Now, set batch\_size=16. Does the model take longer/shorter to train? Plot the training curve. Describe the effect of decreasing the batch size.

```
In [27]: large_net = LargeNet()
  train_net(large_net, 16, 0.01, 30)
```

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n err: 0.323, Validation loss: 1.266836181640625

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.0845, Train loss: 0.21273409337876364 | Validatio n err: 0.3245, Validation loss: 1.406717705130577

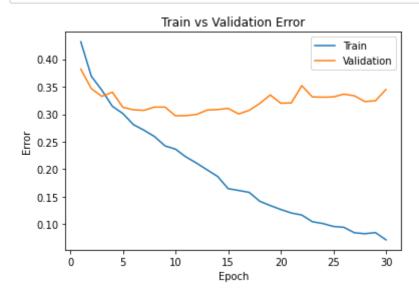
Epoch 30: Train err: 0.071375, Train loss: 0.18387044295761734 | Validat ion err: 0.345, Validation loss: 1.4871552000045776

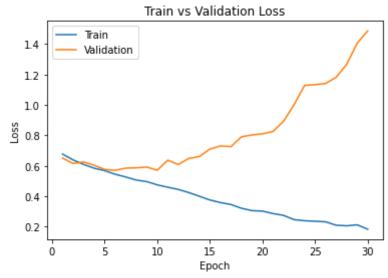
Finished Training
Total time elapsed: 181.06 seconds

Originally, with the batch\_size = 64, the large\_net model took 120.32 seconds to train.

Now, with the batch\_size = 16, the large\_net model takes 182.18 seconds to train.

Thus, the model takes longer time to train with a smaller batch\_size (batch\_size = 16).





As the batch size was decreased, there is more overfitting because the error on the training set is lower compared to the error on the validation set.

Before, the model showed overfitting when the number of epoch increased because the error on the training set was low while the error on the validation set was large. Now, there is more difference in the training set and validation set.

Also, there seems to be less noise when the batch size was decreased.

# Part 4. Hyperparameter Search [6 pt]

### Part (a) - 2pt

Based on the plots from above, choose another set of values for the hyperparameters (network, batch\_size, learning\_rate) that you think would help you improve the validation accuracy. Justify your choice.

Large\_net, batch\_size = 16, learning\_rate = 0.001.

Becuase changing the learning\_rate to 0.001 reduced the overfitting of the sets but the overall error increased for the validation, whereas changing the batch\_size to 16 increased the overfitting, but decreased the overall error for the validation. Thus together, there was less overfitting and less validation error, improving the validation accuracy.

## Part (b) - 1pt

Train the model with the hyperparameters you chose in part(a), and include the training curve.

```
In [29]: large_net = LargeNet()
    train_net(large_net, 16, 0.001, 30)

plot_training_curve(get_model_name("large", batch_size=16, learning_rate
    =0.001, epoch=29))
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on err: 0.3015, Validation loss: 0.582257523059845

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.247875, Train loss: 0.5000545628666878 | Validati on err: 0.3205, Validation loss: 0.616970046043396

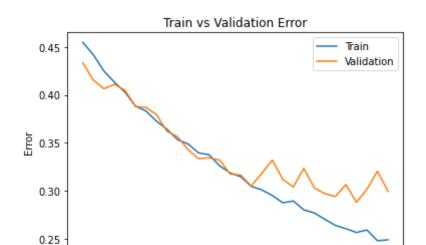
Epoch 30: Train err: 0.248875, Train loss: 0.49533707863092424 | Validat ion err: 0.2995, Validation loss: 0.5927074880599975

Finished Training
Total time elapsed: 180.75 seconds

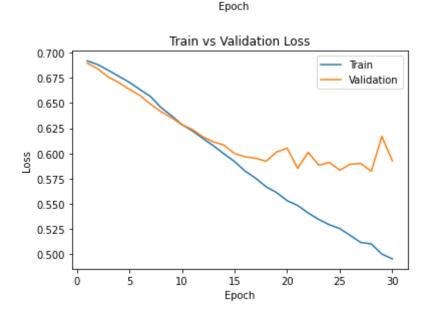
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## Part (c) - 2pt

Based on your result from Part(a), suggest another set of hyperparameter values to try. Justify your choice.

Large\_net, batch\_size = 512, learning\_rate = 0.1.

Becuase changing the batch\_size to 512 reduced the overfitting of the sets but the overall error increased for the validation, whereas changing the learning\_rate to 0.1 increased the overfitting, but decreased the overall error for the validation. Thus together, there was less overfitting and less validation error, improving the validation accuracy.

# Part (d) - 1pt

Train the model with the hyperparameters you chose in part(c), and include the training curve.

```
In [33]: large_net = LargeNet()
    train_net(large_net, 512, 0.1, 30)

plot_training_curve(get_model_name("large", batch_size=512, learning_rat
    e=0.1, epoch=29))
```

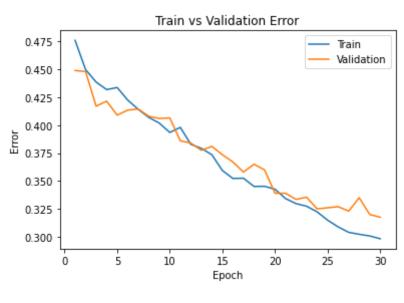
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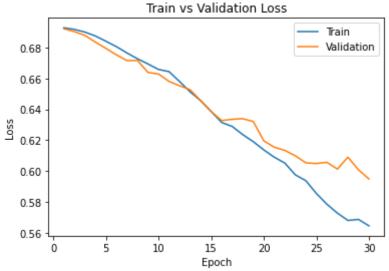
rr: 0.33, Validation loss: 0.8318142890930176

Epoch 29: Train err: 0.13275, Train loss: 0.2944728322327137 | Validatio n err: 0.339, Validation loss: 0.9227322489023209

Epoch 30: Train err: 0.11175, Train loss: 0.27146794740110636 | Validati on err: 0.3245, Validation loss: 0.9187549650669098

Finished Training
Total time elapsed: 111.18 seconds





Part 5. Evaluating the Best Model [15 pt]

## Part (a) - 1pt

Choose the **best** model that you have so far. This means choosing the best model checkpoint, including the choice of small\_net vs large\_net, the batch\_size, learning\_rate, and the epoch number.

Modify the code below to load your chosen set of weights to the model object net.

```
In [34]:    net = LargeNet()
    model_path = get_model_name(net.name, batch_size=16, learning_rate=0.001
    , epoch=27)
    state = torch.load(model_path)
    net.load_state_dict(state)
```

Out[34]: <All keys matched successfully>

#### Part (b) - 2pt

Justify your choice of model from part (a).

```
Large_net, batch_size = 16, learning_rate = 0.001, epoch = 27.
```

Becuase changing the learning\_rate to 0.001 reduced the overfitting of the sets but the overall error increased for the validation, whereas changing the batch\_size to 16 increased the overfitting, but decreased the overall error for the validation. Thus together, there was less overfitting and less validation error, improving the validation accuracy.

At Epoch = 27, there is the lowest validation error of 0.288.

In conclusion, I chose this model because it does not have overfitting, and the error decreased to 0.288 at the lowest, which both implies good validation accuracy.

## Part (c) - 2pt

Using the code in Part 0, any code from lecture notes, or any code that you write, compute and report the **test** classification error for your chosen model.

Test Classification Error is 0.2855.

#### Part (d) - 3pt

How does the test classification error compare with the **validation error**? Explain why you would expect the test error to be *higher* than the validation error.

```
In [41]: evaluate(net, val_loader, nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss())
Out[41]: (0.3015, 0.58578981179744)
```

I would expect the test error to be higher than validation error because the best model for validation was chosen by adjusting hyperparameters, whereas the test model was not known for us to adjust to it. However, my test error was lower than validation error.

#### Part (e) - 2pt

Why did we only use the test data set at the very end? Why is it important that we use the test data as little as possible?

We only used the test data set at the very end to test the model that we have already trained. It is important to use as little test data as possible because it is uesd only to verifying the results, whereas the other training data and validation data is used to train and adjust the hyperparameters of the model.

## Part (f) - 5pt

How does the your best CNN model compare with an 2-layer ANN model (no convolutional layers) on classifying cat and dog images. You can use a 2-layer ANN architecture similar to what you used in Lab 1. You should explore different hyperparameter settings to determine how well you can do on the validation dataset. Once satisified with the performance, you may test it out on the test data.

Hint: The ANN in lab 1 was applied on greyscale images. The cat and dog images are colour (RGB) and so you will need to flatted and concatinate all three colour layers before feeding them into an ANN.

```
In [44]: class Cat_Dog(nn.Module):
             def __init__(self):
                 super(Cat_Dog, self).__init__()
                 self.name = "CatDog"
                 self.layer1 = nn.Linear(3 * 32 * 32, 30)
                 self.layer2 = nn.Linear(30, 1)
                 \#self.layer3 = nn.Linear(1500, 1)
             def forward(self, img):
                 flattened = img.view(-1, 3 * 32 * 32)
                 activation1 = self.layer1(flattened)
                 activation1 = F.relu(activation1)
                 activation2 = self.layer2(activation1)
                 #activation2 = F.relu(activation2)
                 #activation3 = self.layer3(activation2)
                 return activation2.squeeze()
         cats_dogs = Cat_Dog()
         train_net(cats_dogs, 16, 0.001, 27)
         train_loader, val_loader, test_loader, classes = get_data_loader(
             target_classes=["cat", "dog"],
             batch_size=64)
         test_error, test_loss = evaluate(cats_dogs, test_loader, nn.BCEWithLogit
         sLoss())
         print("Test err: ", test_error)
         print("Test loss: ", test_loss)
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