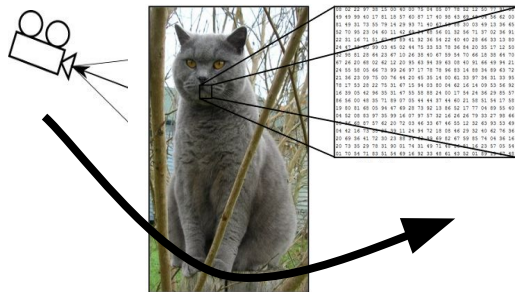


Loss Functions

Recall from last time... Challenges in Visual Recognition

Camera pose



Illumination



Deformation



Occlusion



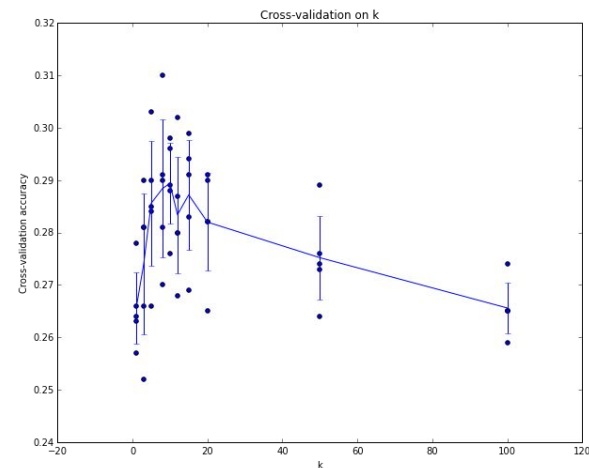
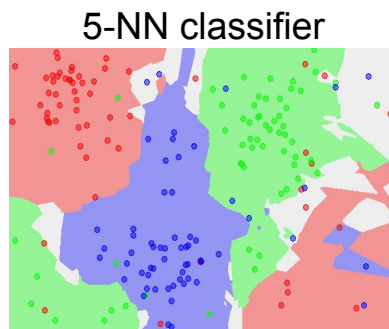
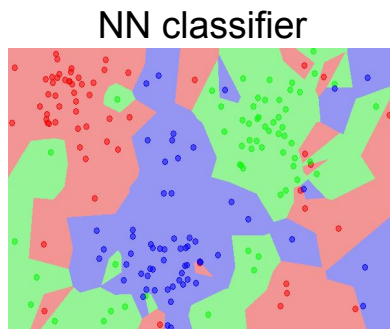
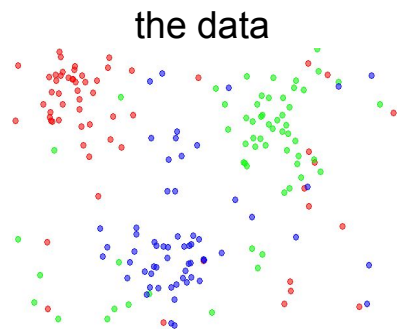
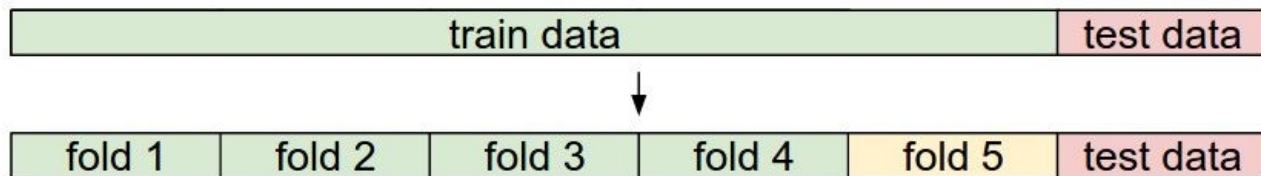
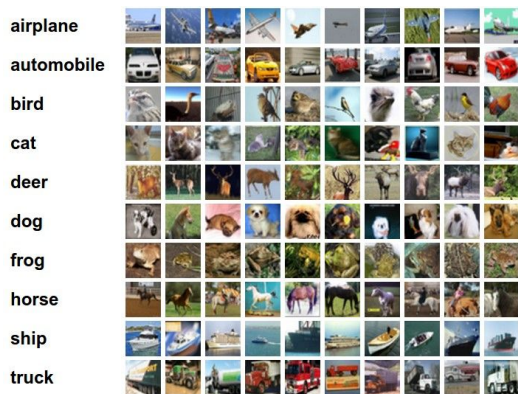
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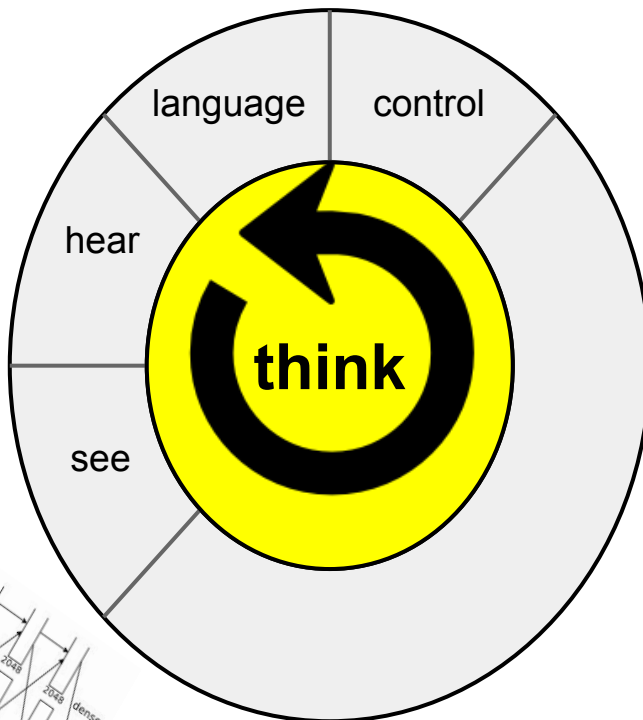
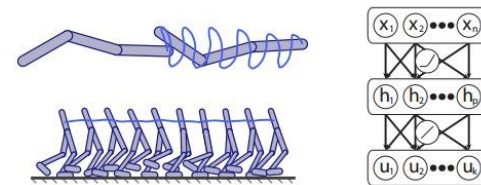
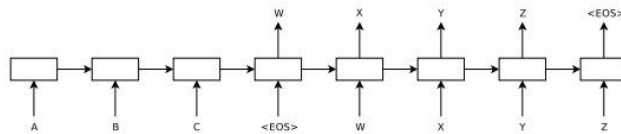
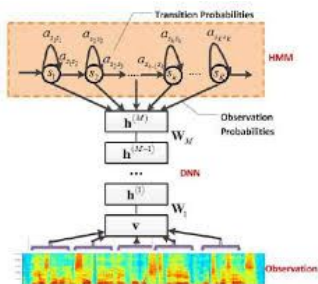
Intraclass variation



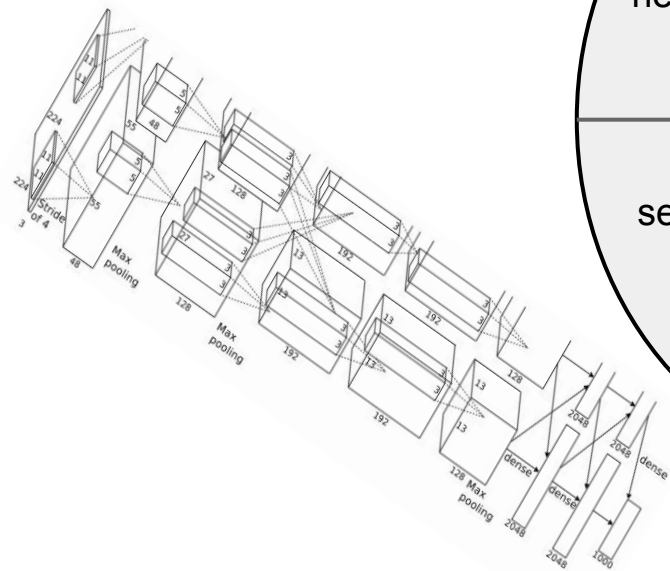
Recall from last time... data-driven approach, kNN



Linear Classification



Deep learning is not just about vision!



Neural Networks practitioner



Slide by Fei-Fei Li, Andrej Karpathy & Justin Johnson

airplane



automobile



bird



cat



deer



dog



frog



horse



ship



truck



Example dataset: **CIFAR-10**
10 labels
50,000 training images
each image is **32x32x3**
10,000 test images.

Parametric approach



image parameters

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{W})$$



10 numbers,
indicating class
scores

[32x32x3]

array of numbers 0...1
(3072 numbers total)

Parametric approach: **Linear classifier**

$$f(x, W) = Wx$$

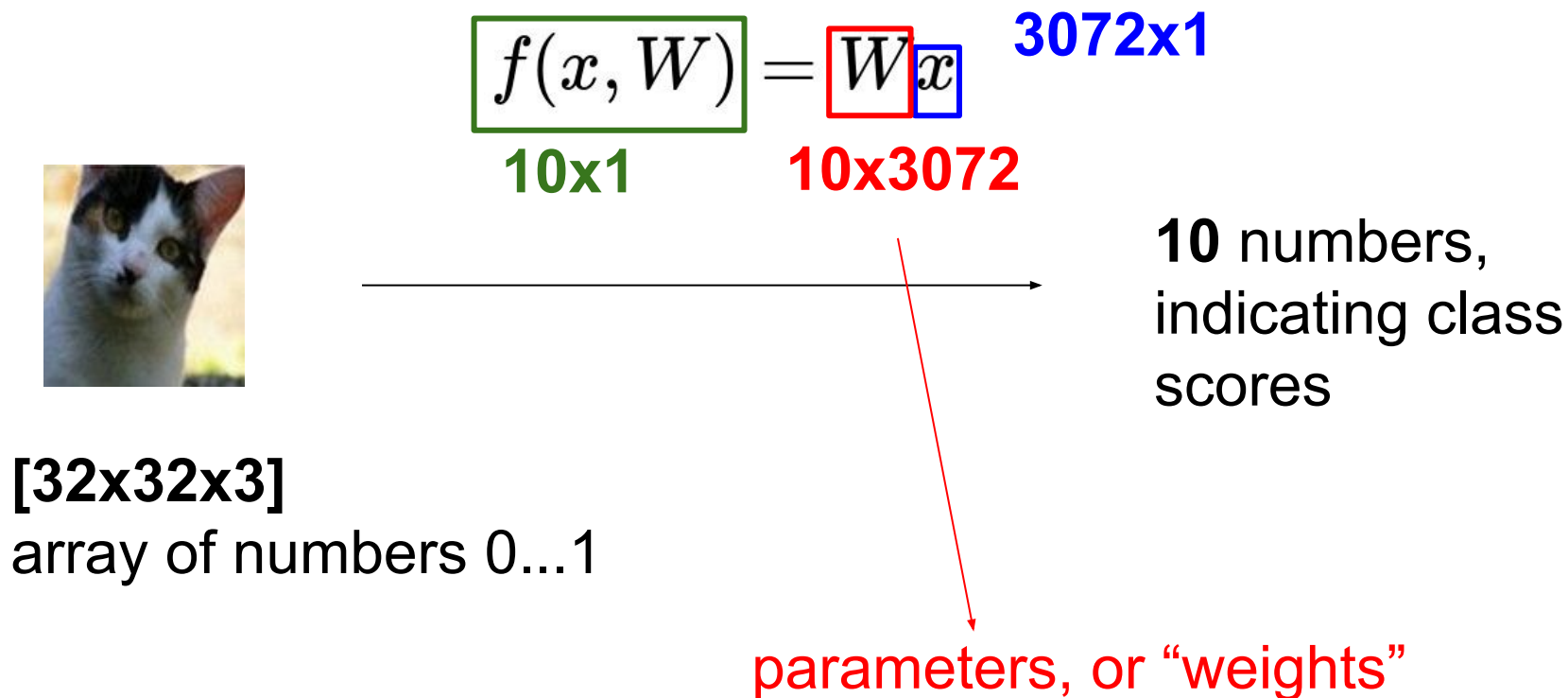


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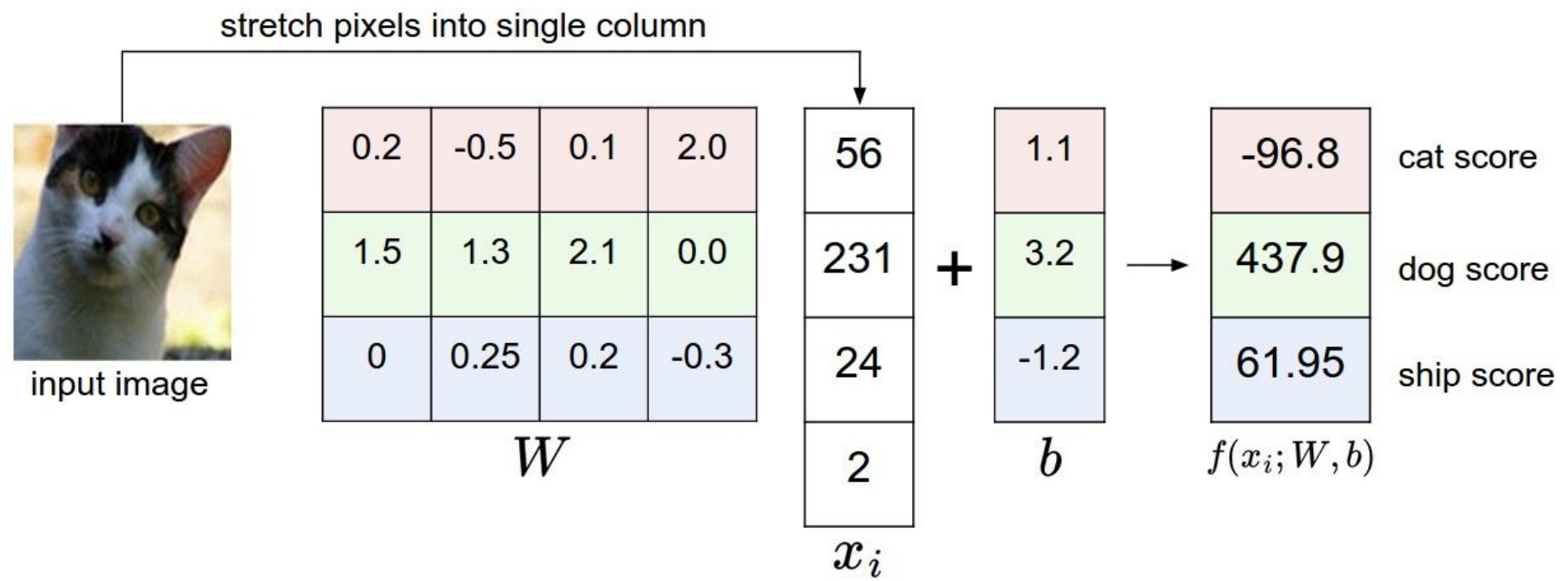
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$$\boxed{f(x, W)}_{10 \times 1} = \boxed{W}_{10 \times 3072} \boxed{x}_{3072 \times 1} \boxed{(+b)}_{10 \times 1}$$

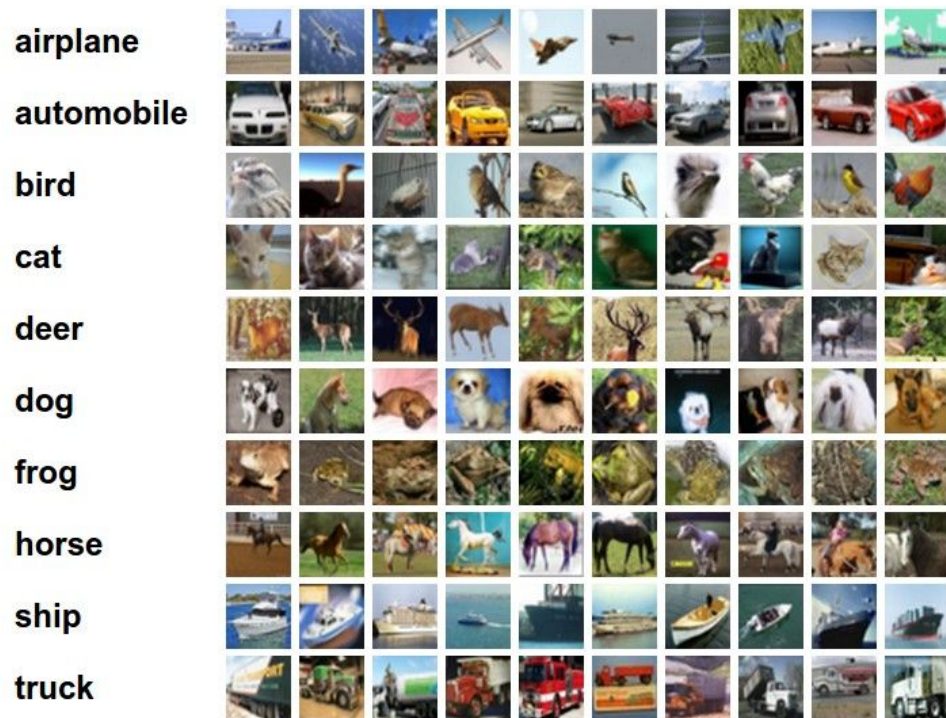
10 numbers,
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scores

parameters, or “weights”

Example with an image with 4 pixels, and 3 classes (cat/dog/ship)



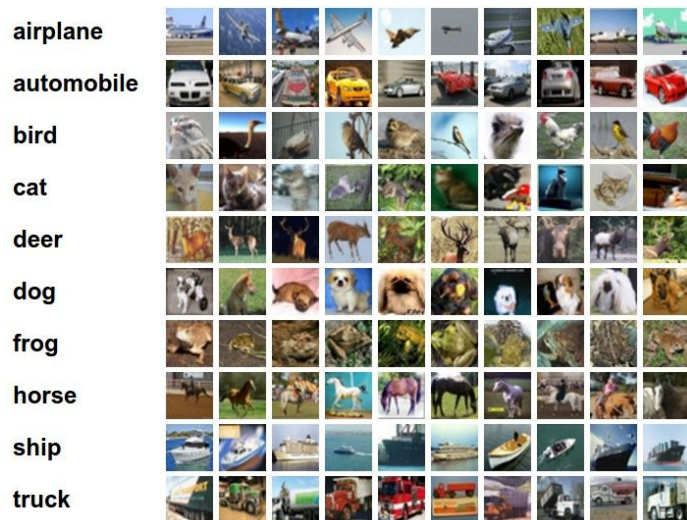
Interpreting a Linear Classifier



$$f(x_i, W, b) = Wx_i + b$$

Q: what does the linear classifier do, in English?

Interpreting a Linear Classifier

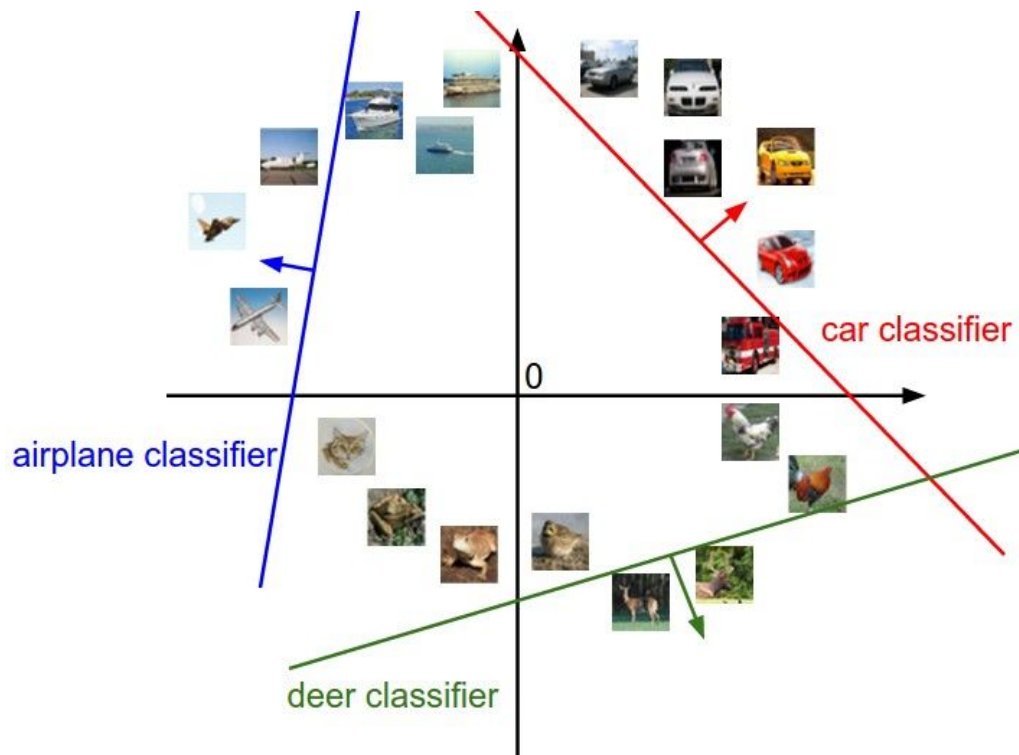


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Example trained weights
of a linear classifier
trained on CIFAR-10:



Interpreting a Linear Classifier

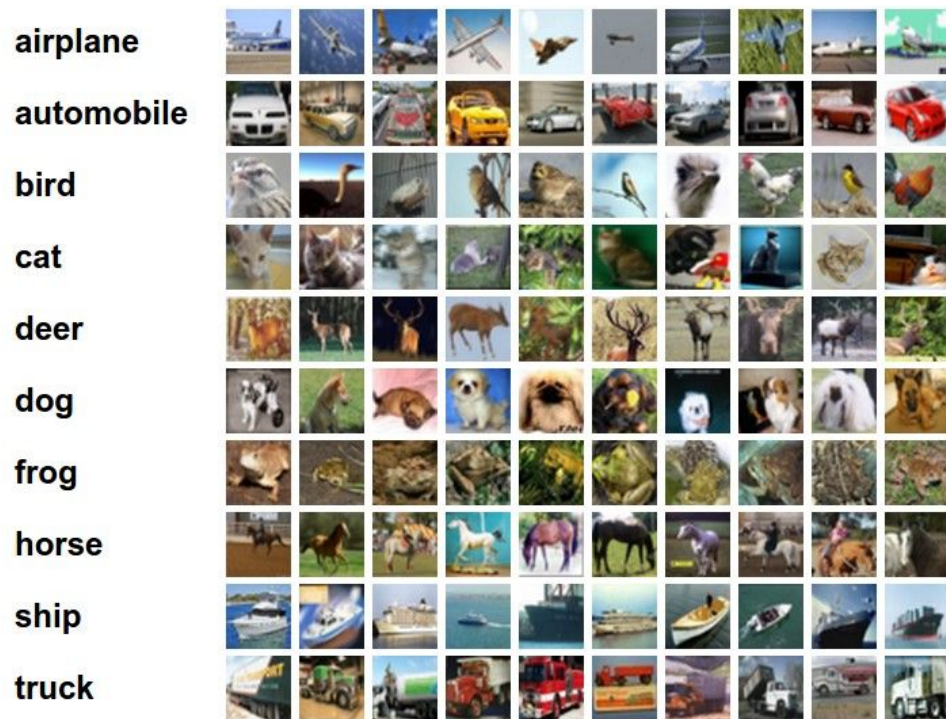


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Q2: what would be a very hard set of classes for a linear classifier to distinguish?

So far: We defined a (linear) **score function**: $f(x_i, W, b) = Wx_i + b$



Example class
scores for 3
images, with a
random W :

airplane	-3.45	-0.51	3.42
automobile	-8.87	6.04	4.64
bird	0.09	5.31	2.65
cat	2.9	-4.22	5.1
deer	4.48	-4.19	2.64
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frog	3.78	4.49	-4.34
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truck	-0.72	-2.93	6.14

Coming up:

- Loss function

(quantifying what it means to have a “good” W)

- Optimization

(start with random W and find a W that minimizes the loss)

- ConvNets!

(tweak the functional form of f)

$$f(x, W) = Wx$$

Loss functions

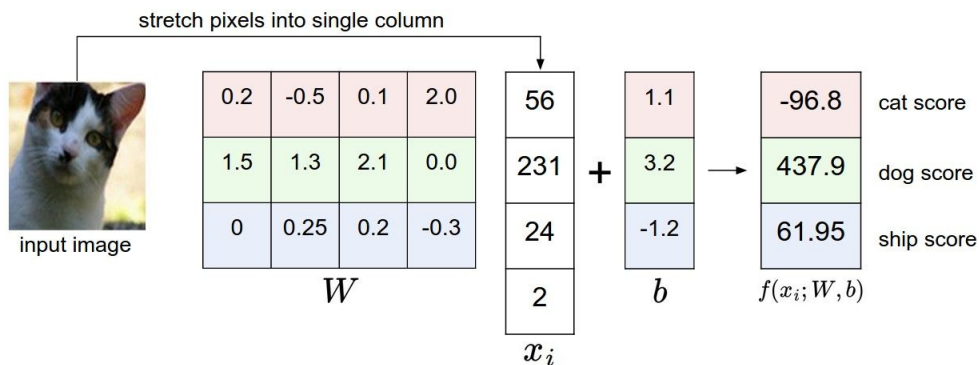
Linear classifier



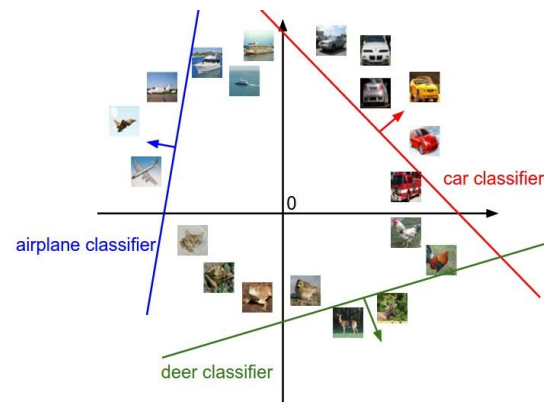
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Recall

Going forward: Loss function/Optimization



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TODO:

1. Define a **loss function** that quantifies our unhappiness with the scores across the training data.
2. Come up with a way of efficiently finding the parameters that minimize the loss function.
(optimization)

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Multiclass SVM loss:

Given an example (x_i, y_i)
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scores vector:
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 &= \max(0, 2.2 - (-3.1) + 1) \\
 &\quad + \max(0, 2.5 - (-3.1) + 1) \\
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and the full training loss is the mean
 over all examples in the training data:

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L_i$$

$$L = (2.9 + 0 + 12.9)/3$$

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Q: what if the sum
 was instead over all
 classes?
 (including $j = y_i$)

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Q2: what if we used a
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Q3: what if we used

$$L_i = \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, s_j - s_{y_i} + 1)^2$$

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Q4: what is the
 min/max possible
 loss?

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Q5: usually at
 initialization W are small
 numbers, so all $s \approx 0$.
 What is the loss?

Example numpy code:

$$L_i = \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, s_j - s_{y_i} + 1)$$

```
def L_i_vectorized(x, y, W):  
    scores = W.dot(x)  
    margins = np.maximum(0, scores - scores[y] + 1)  
    margins[y] = 0  
    loss_i = np.sum(margins)  
    return loss_i
```

$$f(x, W) = Wx$$

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, f(x_i; W)_j - f(x_i; W)_{y_i} + 1)$$

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E.g. Suppose that we found a W such that $L = 0$.
Is this W unique?

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Before:

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 &= \max(0, -2.6) + \max(0, -1.9) \\
 &= 0 + 0 \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

With W twice as large:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \max(0, 2.6 - 9.8 + 1) \\
 &\quad + \max(0, 4.0 - 9.8 + 1) \\
 &= \max(0, -6.2) + \max(0, -4.8) \\
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Weight Regularization

λ = regularization strength
(hyperparameter)

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, f(x_i; W)_j - f(x_i; W)_{y_i} + 1) + \lambda R(W)$$

In common use:

L2 regularization

L1 regularization

Elastic net (L1 + L2)

Max norm regularization

Dropout

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l W_{k,l}^2$$

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l |W_{k,l}|$$

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l \beta W_{k,l}^2 + |W_{k,l}|$$

(might see later)

(will see later)

L2 regularization: motivation

$$x = [1, 1, 1, 1]$$

$$w_1 = [1, 0, 0, 0]$$

$$w_2 = [0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25]$$

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Which one does L2 regularization choose?

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Why does it make sense?

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Softmax function

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in summary: $L_i = -\log\left(\frac{e^{s_{y_i}}}{\sum_j e^{s_j}}\right)$

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unnormalized log probabilities

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unnormalized probabilities

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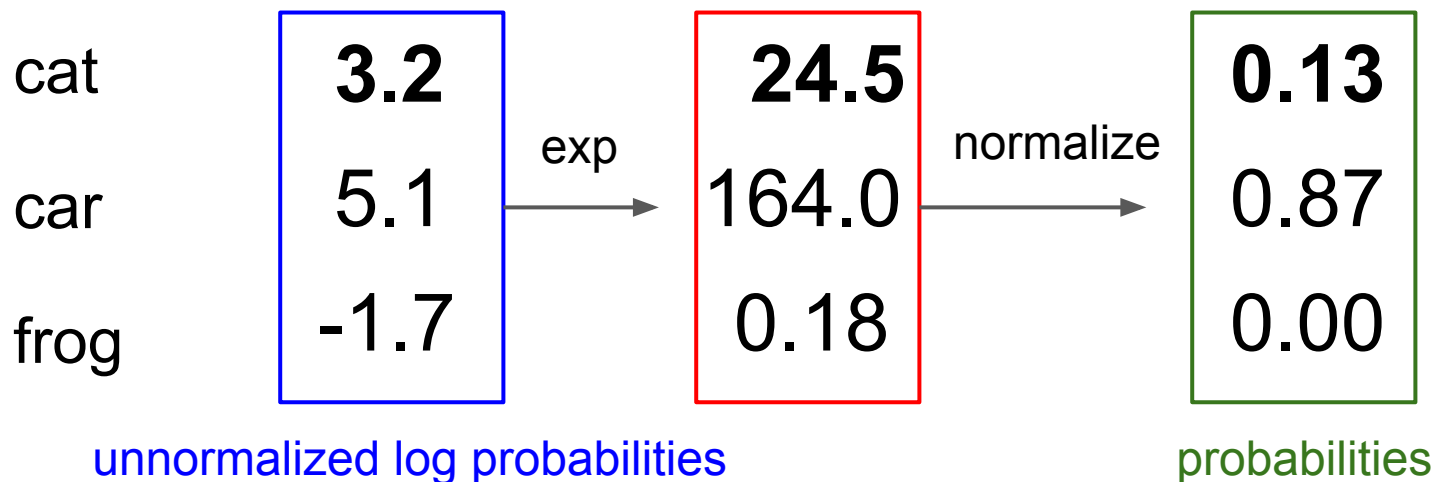
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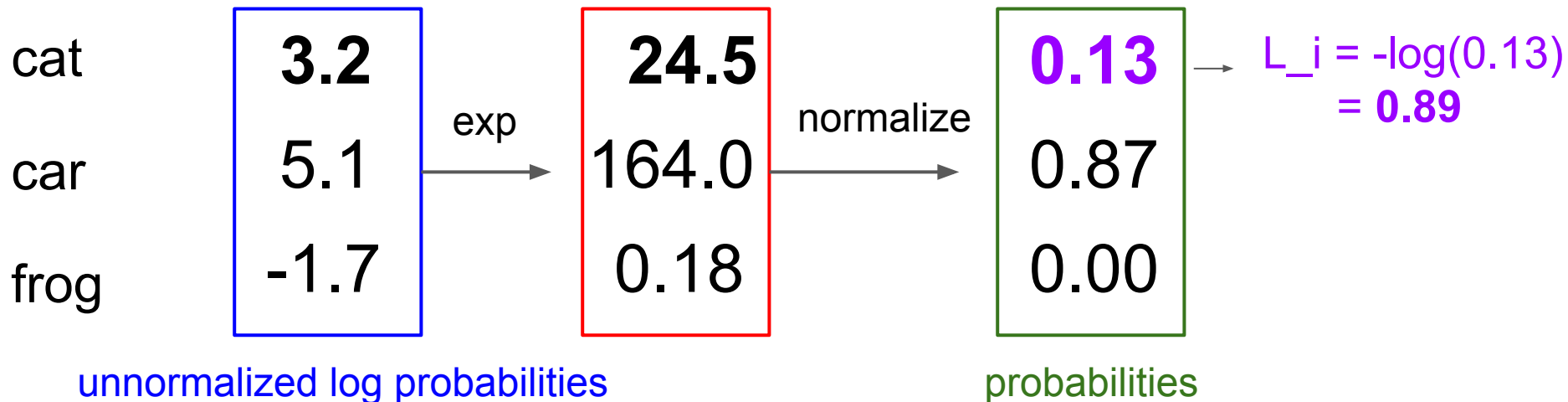


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Q: What is the min/max possible loss L_i ?

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normalize

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unnormalized log probabilities

probabilities

Softmax Classifier (Multinomial Logistic Regression)



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unnormalized probabilities

Q: usually at initialization
W are small numbers, so
all s ≈ 0. What is the
loss?

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car
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normalize

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→ $L_i = -\log(0.13)$
 $= 0.89$

unnormalized log probabilities

probabilities

Softmax Classifier (Multinomial Logistic Regression)



$$L_i = -\log\left(\frac{e^{sy_i}}{\sum_j e^{s_j}}\right)$$

unnormalized probabilities

Q: Why use log()

cat
car
frog

3.2
5.1
-1.7

exp

24.5
164.0
0.18

normalize

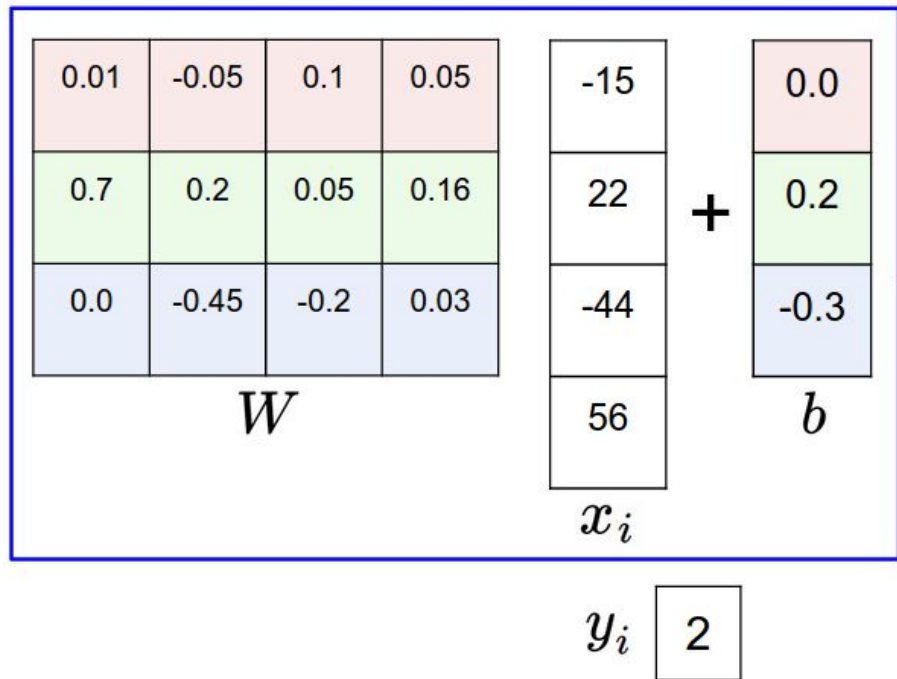
0.13
0.87
0.00

$L_i = -\log(0.13)$
 $= 0.89$

unnormalized log probabilities

probabilities

matrix multiply + bias offset



hinge loss (SVM)

-2.85
0.86
0.28

$$\begin{aligned} &\max(0, -2.85 - 0.28 + 1) + \\ &\max(0, 0.86 - 0.28 + 1) \\ &= \\ &\mathbf{1.58} \end{aligned}$$

cross-entropy loss (Softmax)

-2.85
0.86
0.28

$\xrightarrow{\text{exp}}$

0.058
2.36
1.32

$\xrightarrow{\text{normalize}}$
(to sum to one)

0.016
0.631
0.353

$$\begin{aligned} &-\log(0.353) \\ &= \\ &\mathbf{0.452} \end{aligned}$$

Softmax vs. SVM

$$L_i = -\log\left(\frac{e^{s_{y_i}}}{\sum_j e^{s_j}}\right)$$

$$L_i = \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, s_j - s_{y_i} + 1)$$

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assume scores:

[10, -2, 3]

[10, 9, 9]

[10, -100, -100]

and

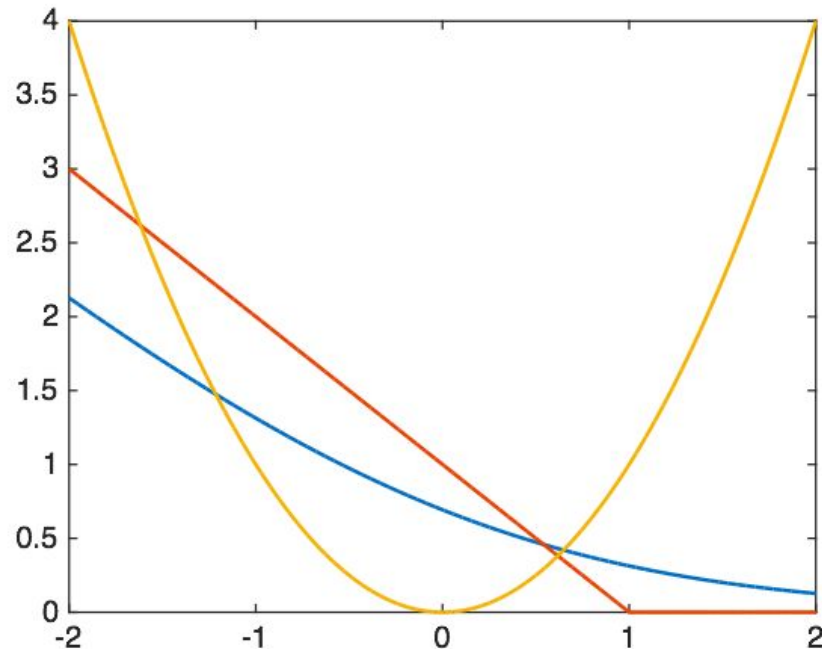
$$y_i = 0$$

Q: Suppose I take a datapoint and I jiggle a bit (changing its score slightly). What happens to the loss in both cases?

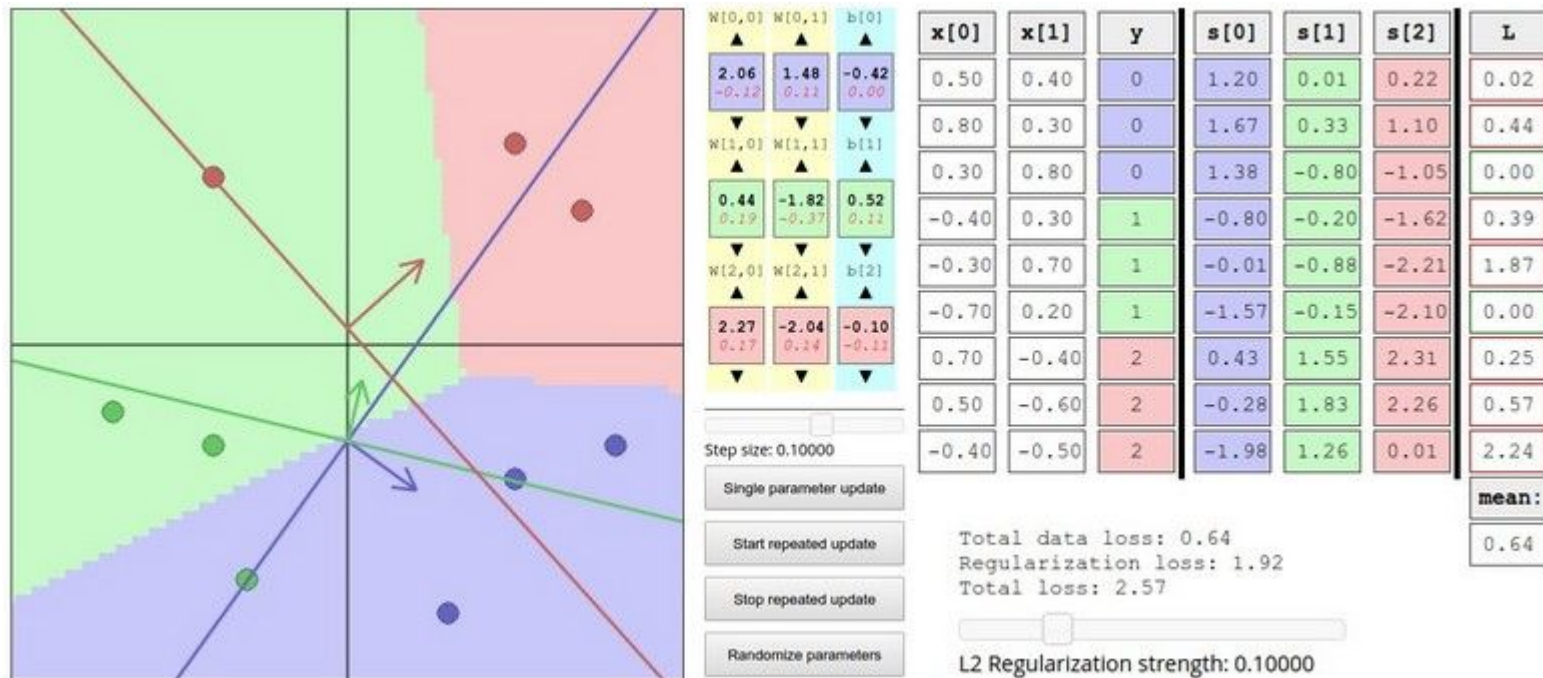
Other loss functions

- There are many different loss functions
- Below are the binary-classification versions of what we discussed
- ... plus square loss. What would you use it for?

- Hinge loss
- Log Loss
- Square loss



Interactive Web Demo time....



<http://vision.stanford.edu/teaching/cs231n/linear-classify-demo/>