

Fastai v2 (2020) [Jeremy Howard, Sylvain Gugger and Rachel Thomas]

Fastbook → fastai book

Lecture 1

What you don't need, to do deep learning

Myth (don't need)	Truth
Lots of data	Not true always
Lots of math	High school math is sufficient
Lots of expensive computers	We can get what we need for state of art work for free

AGI → Artificial General Intelligence

Where is deep learning the best known approach

NLP, CV, Medicine, Biology, Image generation,
Recommendation systems, Playing games, Robotics

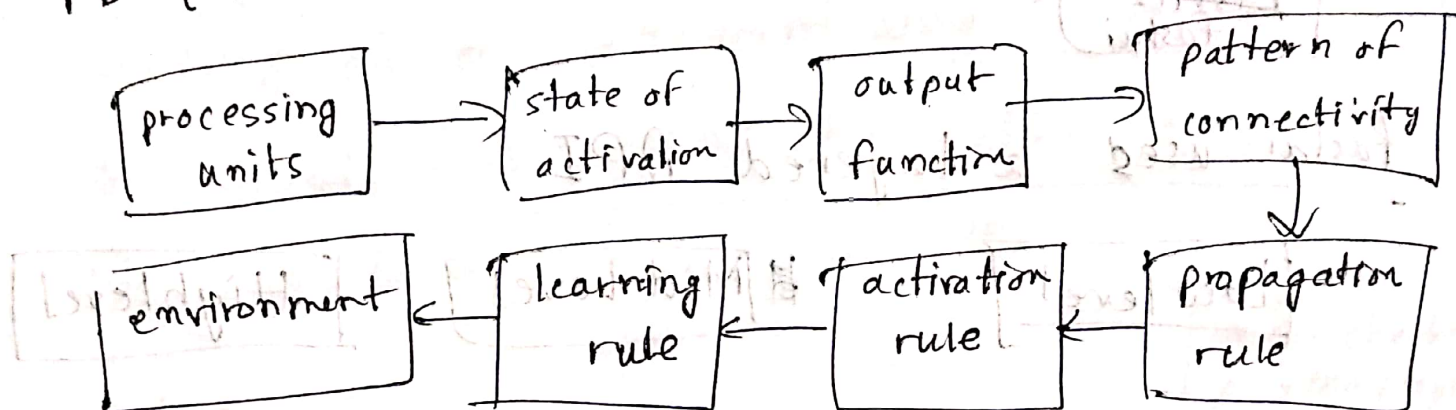
Neural Network: (origin)

1943 Warren McCulloch, a neurophysiologist, and Walter Pitts, a logician, teamed up to develop a mathematical model of an artificial neuron

Mark-I (Frank Rosenblatt)

Marvin Minsky (multilayer perceptron) but people misinterpret

PDP (Parallel Distributed Processing) 1986 MIT



The age of deep learning (1980s)

universal approximation theorem: stacking up

layers with non-linearity in between can allow

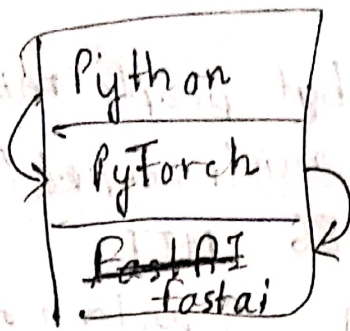
any model to ~~learn~~ be approximated

Now we have "a machine capable of perceiving, recognizing and identifying its surroundings without any human training or control."

Course strategy

- Play the whole game
- Make the game worth playing
- Work on the hard parts

top-down approach



PyTorch

fastai used a layered API

Low level

Mid Level

High level

- Removes boilerplate

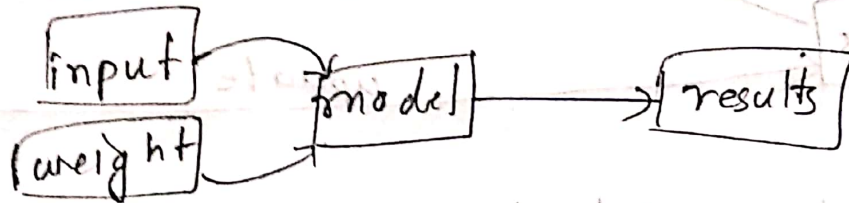
→ Getting a GPU (first learn and do it in colab)

then

Fine-tuning: A transfer learning technique where the params of a pretrained model are update by training for additional epochs → using a different task to that used for pre training

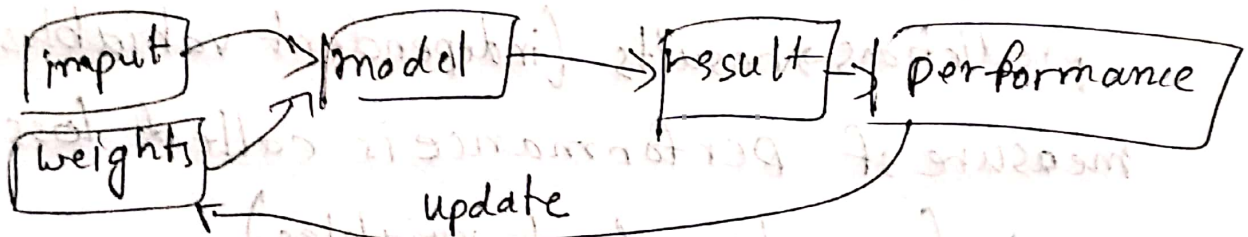
Right back at the dawn of computing in 1949, an IBM researcher named Arthur Samuel started working on a different way to get computers to complete tasks, which he called machine learning. In his classic way 1962

1962 →



He checked
playing program
beated
Connecticut state
champion

Training a machine learning model



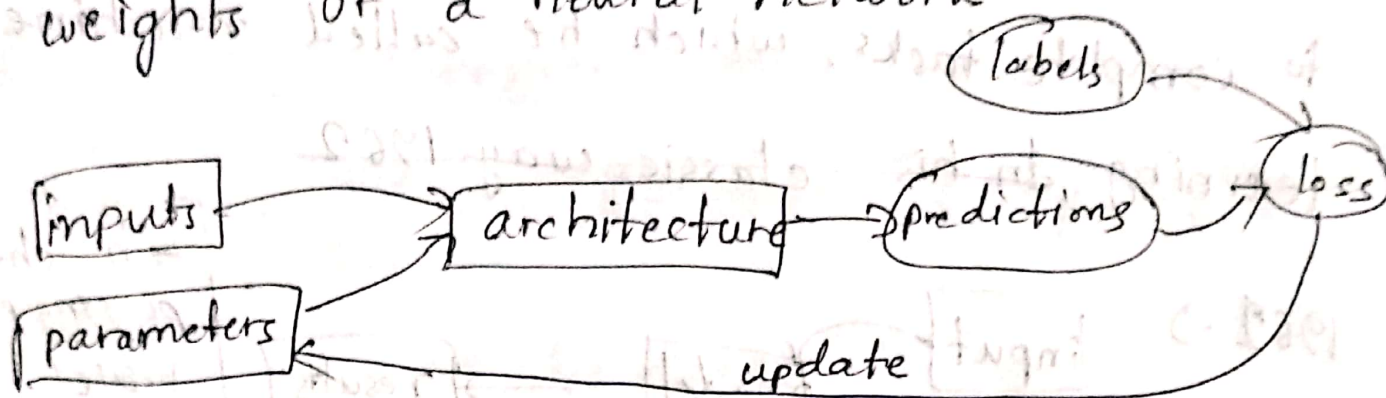
Later

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graph LR; Input[Input] --> Model[Model]; Model --> Result[Result]
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Machine learning: training programs developed by

allowing a computer to learn from experience, rather than through manually coding the individual steps.

SGD (Stochastic Gradient Descent) is a completely general way to update the weights of a neural network



para model \rightarrow architecture

weights \rightarrow parameters

predictions \rightarrow results (independent variables)

measure of performance is called loss

labels (~~not~~ dependent variables)

Limitations

- ~~data~~ need data
- can only learn from input data (creates bias)
- creates predictions \rightarrow not recommended acting
- Not enough to just have examples of input data we need labels for that data too

Vision, Text, & Tabular, Collaborative Filtering

Lecture 2

Classification \rightarrow aims to predict category or class

Regression \rightarrow attempt to predict numeric quantities

Metric \rightarrow a function that measures the quality of a model's prediction using validation set.

error-rate

accuracy

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- check with data that you have need seen.

State of DL

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Text (Classification, Conversation)

Tabular (High cardinality, GPU) Rapid

Recsys (Prediction, Recommendation)

Multimodal (Labeling, Captioning, Human in the loop)

Other (NLP \rightarrow Protein)

Catastrophic forgetting \rightarrow effects after fine-tuning

★ High Temperature and High Humidity Reduce Transmission of COVID-19

How might we decide if there's a relationship?

- Pick a "null" hypothesis

- ↓
• Gather data of independent & dependent variables

- ↓
• What % of time would we see that relationship by chance?

\rightarrow Never do null hypothesis or p-value testing

DataBlock API

get_ids: \rightarrow }

Segmentation
Vision, Text, Tabular, Collaborative filtering

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Importance of validation set:

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Transfer learning: Using a pretrained ^{model} for a different task to what it was originally trained for

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Why does transfer learning work? (Image)

- deep layer capture and learn structures

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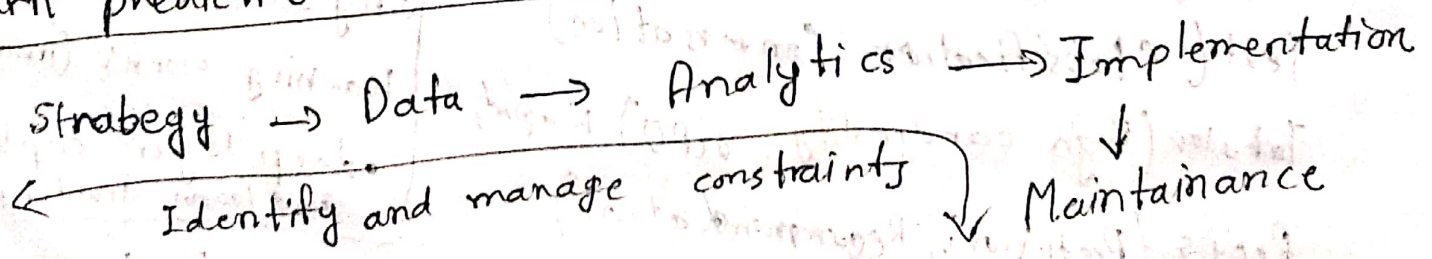
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(Concepts of from statistics)

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Turn predictive model into something useful in production



• Designing great data products (Howard et al.)

DataBlock API

get_items

get_x (getter)
get_y

block[0].create
block[1].create

item_tfms (transforms the items)

collate (DataLoader) [PyTorch DataLoader
for better
GPU performance]

batch_tfms (batch transforms)