Feed-forward networks in Keras

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- Build a Sequential model from Dense and Dropout layers



Dense layers

```
from keras.layers import Dense
```



Dropout layers

```
from keras.layers import Dropout
```

```
Dropout(rate, # Fraction of units to drop
seed=None) # Random seed for reproducibility
```



Imports and loading data

```
from keras.datasets import mnist
from keras.utils import to_categorical
from keras.models import Sequential
from keras.layers import Dense, Dropout

batch_size = 128
num_classes = 10
epochs = 20

(x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
```



Data preprocessing

```
x_train = x_train.reshape(60000, 784)
x_test = x_test.reshape(10000, 784)
x_train = x_train.astype('float32')
x_test = x_test.astype('float32')
x_train /= 255
x_test /= 255

y_train = to_categorical(y_train, num_classes)
y_test = to_categorical(y_test, num_classes)
```



Defining and compiling your model

```
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(512, activation='relu',
          input_shape=(784,))) # First layer only
model.add(Dropout(0.2))
model.add(Dense(512, activation='relu'))
model.add(Dropout(0.2))
model.add(Dense(num_classes, activation='softmax'))
model.summary()
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy',
              optimizer='sgd',
              metrics=['accuracy'])
```



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