

Learning Stabilization Techniques



Learning Rate Warmup

Gradually increase learning rate initially to stabilize training

```
lr = d_model^(-0.5) * min(step^(-0.5), step * warmup^(-1.5))
```



Label Smoothing

Reduces **overconfidence** in predictions

- ✓ Typical value: $\epsilon = 0.1$
- ✓ Improves generalization



Gradient Clipping

Prevents **exploding gradients** during training

- ✓ Caps gradient norm at threshold
- ✓ Ensures training stability



Dropout

Regularization through random neuron dropout

- ✓ Applied to **attention weights**
- ✓ Applied to **FFN outputs**



Weight Initialization

Proper initialization for stable gradients

- ✓ **Xavier** initialization
- ✓ **He** initialization



Mixed Precision Training

Uses **FP16** for faster computation

- ✓ Reduces memory usage
- ✓ Speeds up training

Training Best Practices

Combine these techniques for **stable and efficient training** of Transformer models