

GPU-Accelerated Deep Neural Networks in TMVA

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Aim

Provide an efficient and easy-to-use implementation of deep neural networks for the HEP community.

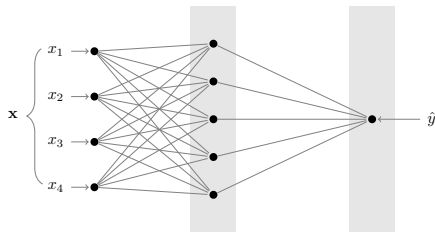
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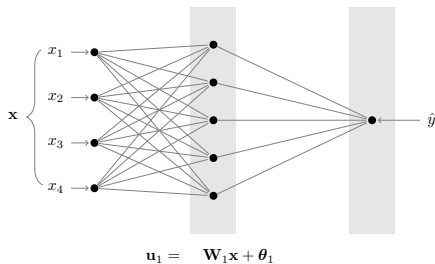
- Toolkit for Multivariate Data Analysis with ROOT
- Root-integrated machine learning (ML) environment providing a training and test framework for a large number of ML methods.



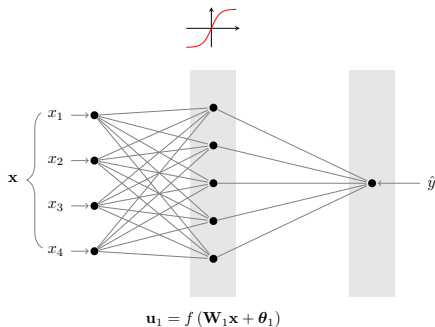
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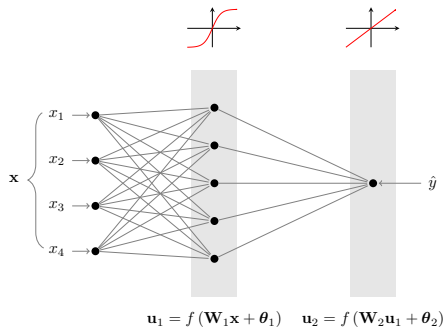
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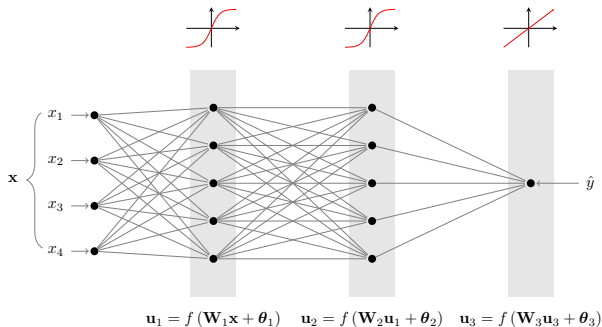
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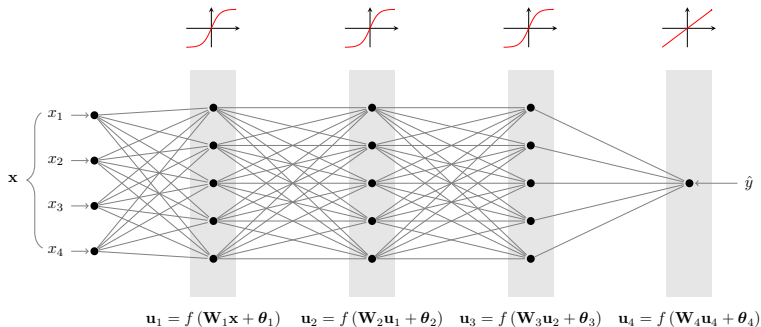
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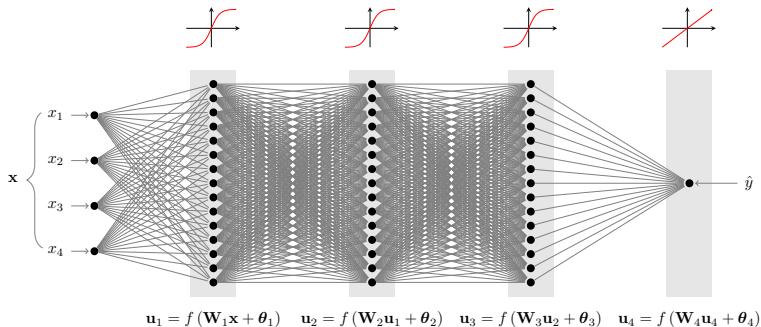
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- **Machine Learning:** Find parameters $\hat{\mathbf{W}}, \hat{\theta}$ so that $F(\mathbf{x}) = F(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{W}}, \hat{\theta})$ approximates either a target function $G(\mathbf{x})$ (**Regression**) or a likelihood measure for a given class (**Classification**).

Neural Network Training

- **Supervised learning:** The network is trained using a training set consisting of inputs $\mathcal{X} = \mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ and outputs $\mathcal{Y} = y_0, \dots, y_n$.
- The **loss function** or **error function** $J(y, \hat{y})$ quantifies the quality of a prediction \hat{y} with respect to the expected output y .
- Learning as a minimization problem:

$$\underset{\mathbf{w}, \theta}{\text{minimize}} \ J_{\mathcal{X}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} J(y, \hat{y}) \quad (2)$$

Neural Network Training (Contd.)

- Use gradient-based minimization methods to minimize the error $\sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} J(y, \hat{y})$ over the training set:

$$\mathbf{W} \leftarrow \mathbf{W} - \alpha \frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{W}} \quad (3)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} - \alpha \frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\boldsymbol{\theta}} \quad (4)$$

- **Batch gradient descent:** Instead of the whole training set, compute the gradient only for a small subset of it.
- Crucial for scalable training on large data sets.

Forward and Backward Propagation

Forward Propagation:

$$\mathbf{U}_n = f_n \left(\mathbf{U}_{n-1} \mathbf{W}_n + \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \right) \quad (5)$$

$$\mathbf{f}'_n = f'_n \left(\mathbf{U}_{n-1} \mathbf{W}_n + \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \right) \quad (6)$$

Backward Propagation:

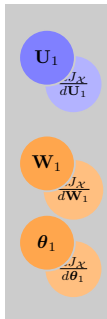
$$\frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{W}_n} = \mathbf{U}_{n-1} \left(\mathbf{f}'_n \odot \frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{U}_n} \right) \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\boldsymbol{\theta}_n} = \mathbf{1} \left(\mathbf{f}'_n \odot \frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{U}_n} \right) \quad (8)$$

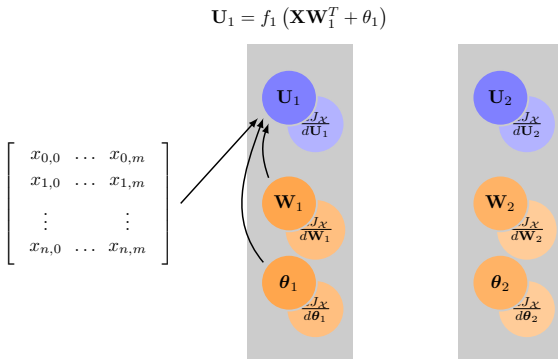
$$\frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{U}_{n-1}} = \mathbf{W}_n \left(\mathbf{f}'_n \odot \frac{dJ_{\mathcal{X}}}{d\mathbf{U}_n} \right) \quad (9)$$

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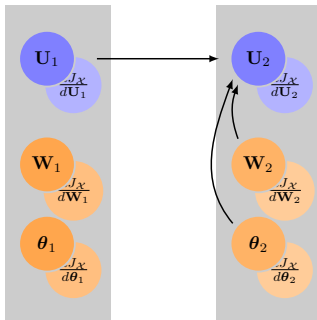
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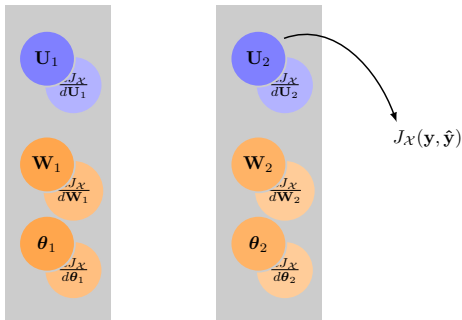
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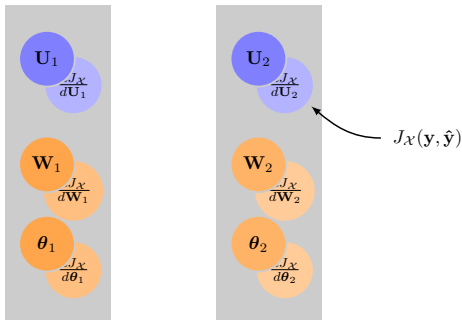
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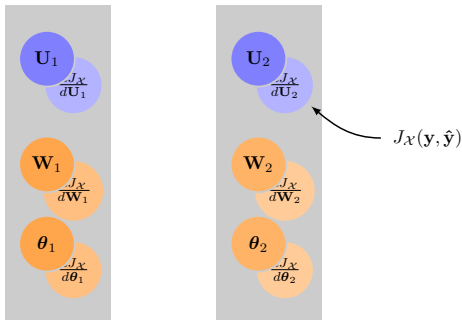
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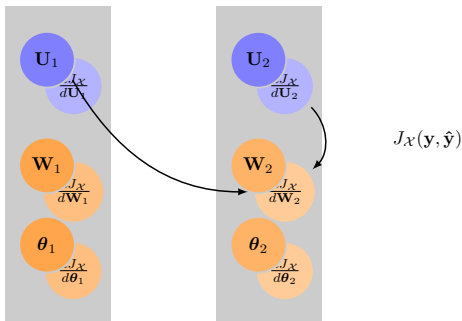
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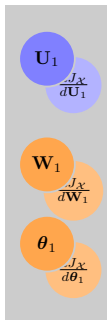


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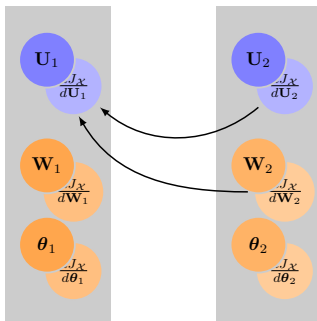
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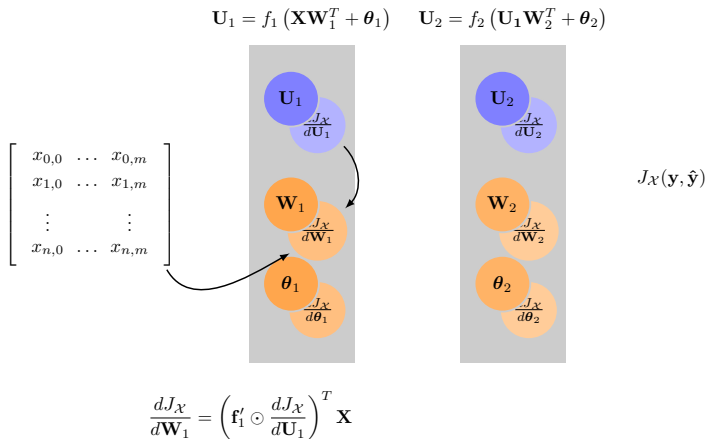
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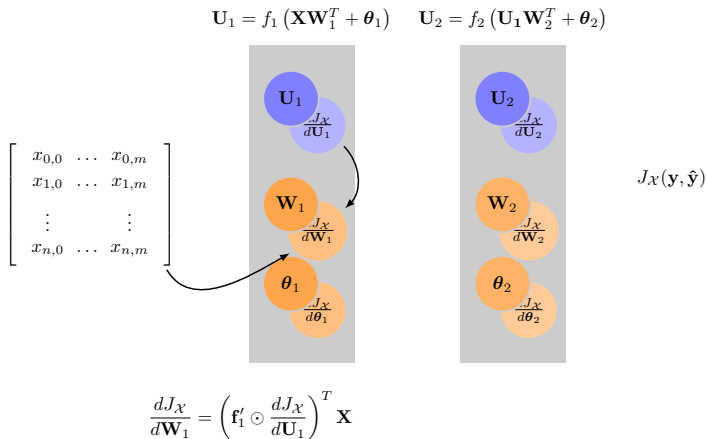


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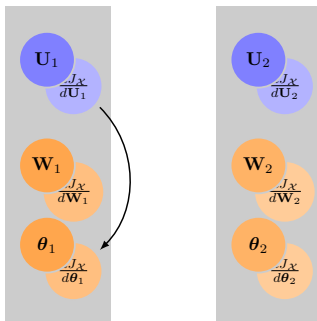
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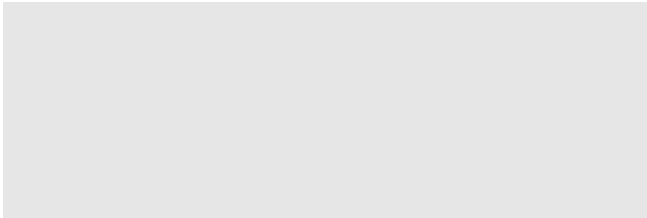
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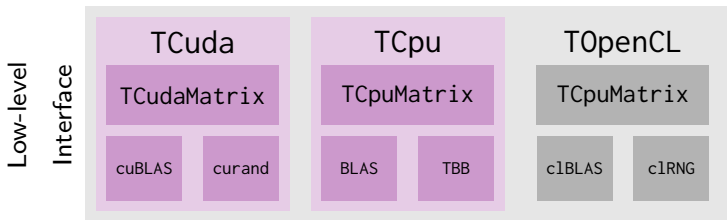
- The backpropagation algorithm can be decomposed into primitive operations on matrices:
 - Matrix multiplication and addition
 - Application of activation functions
 - Computing of loss and regularization functionals
- General formulation of the backpropagation algorithm using those primitive matrix operations
- Optimized matrix operations provided by specialized low-level implementations

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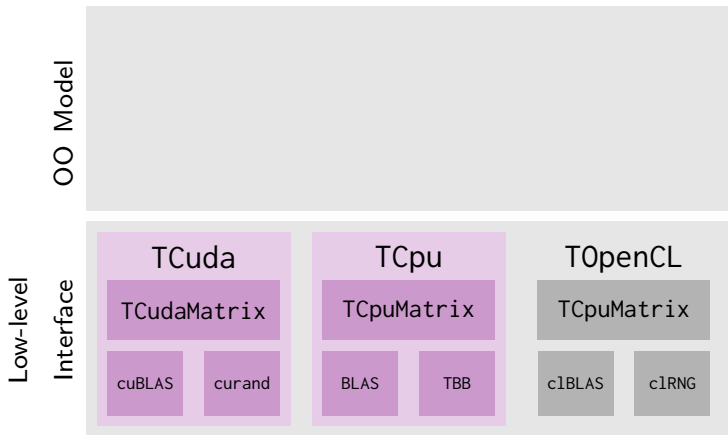
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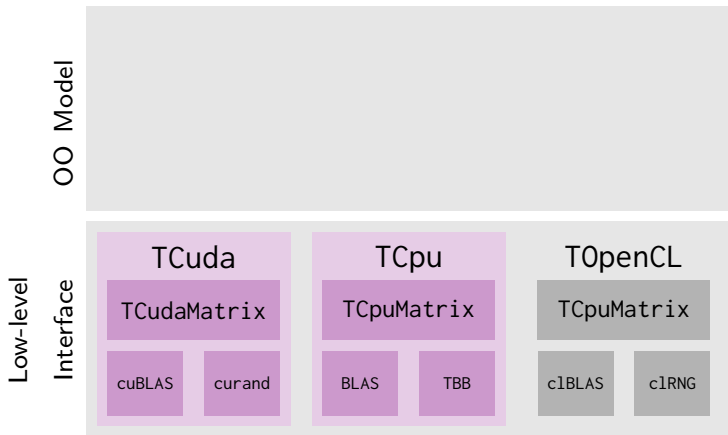
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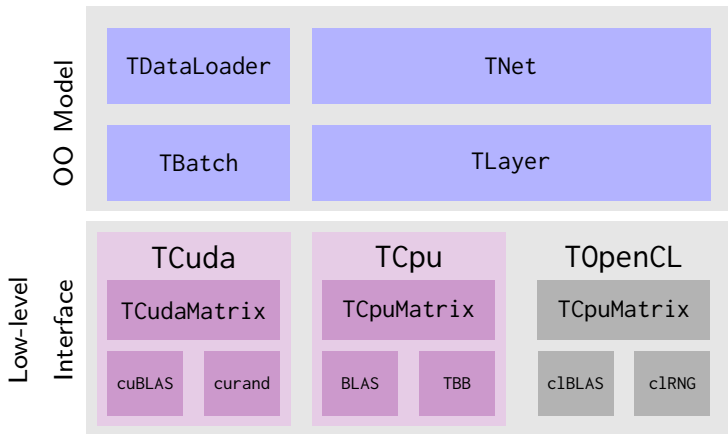
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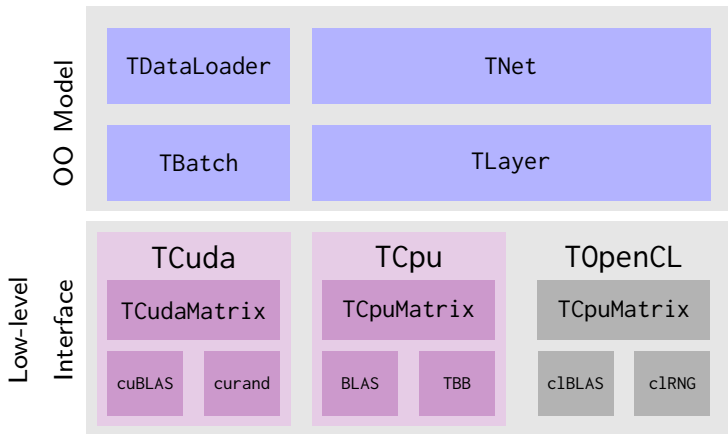
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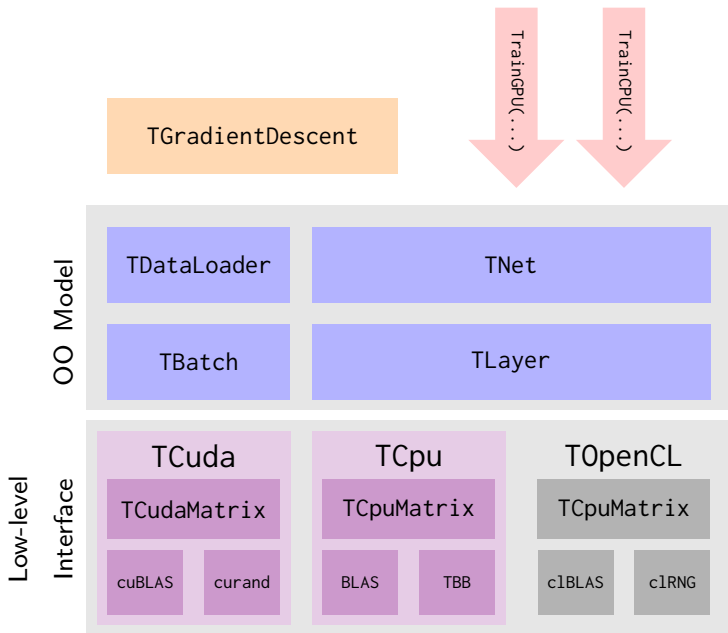
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The Low-Level Interface:

- Implemented by architecture classes: TCuda, TCpu, TOpenCL
- Architecture classes provide **matrix** and **scalar** types as well as **host** and **device** buffer types

The Object Oriented Model:

- Generic neural network implementation: Classes are templated by architecture class.
- The TNet class provides a general implementation of the backpropagation algorithm.
- The TDataLoader takes care of the streaming of data to the device.

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CUDA Implementation:

- There exist dedicated neural network libraries developed by NVIDIA but obtaining them requires joining *Accelerated Computing Developer Program*
- cuBLAS and cuRAND freely available as part of the CUDA Toolkit

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OpenCL Implementation:

- cBLAS: Part of the open-source clMath² libraries
- clRNG: Also part of the clMath libraries
- Encountered portability problems with the clRNG library.

²<https://github.com/clMathLibraries>

Verification and Testing

Verification

- Backpropagation algorithm verified using **numerical differentiation**.
- Weight gradient error for a network with sigmoid activations (foreground) and identity activations (background):
- The code includes a reference low-level implementation based on Root's TMatrix class.
- Generic unit test for all routines in the low-level interface based on the reference implementation.
- Training routines verified by learning full-rank linear mappings.

Performance

Performance Model

Consider a layer l with n_l neurons, n_{l-1} input neurons and a batch size of n_b .

Forward Propagation:

- Multiplication of weight matrix \mathbf{W}_l with activation gradients:

$$n_l n_b (2n_{l-1} - 1) \text{ FLOP}$$

- Addition of bias terms θ_l :

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- Application of activation function f_l and its derivatives:

$$2n_l n_b c_f \text{ FLOP}, \quad c_f \approx 1$$

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- Hadamard product:

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- Computation of previous layer activations:

$$n_{l-1} n_b (2n_l - 1) \text{ FLOP}$$

- Computation of weight and bias gradients:

$$n_{l-1} n_l (2n_b - 1) + n_l (n_b - 1) \text{ FLOP}$$

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Total:

$$\sum_l 6n_l n_b n_{l-1} + 4n_l n_b - n_l(n_{l-1} + 1) - n_b n_{l-1}$$

- Terms involving $n_l n_b n_{l-1}$ dominate complexity for the *hidden* layers.

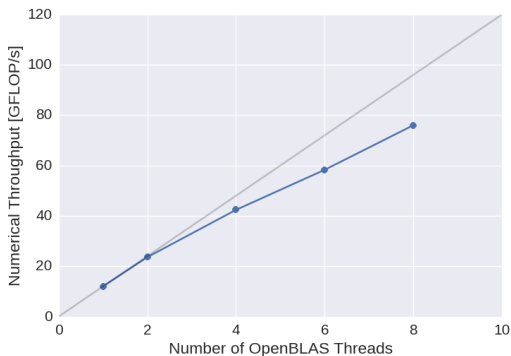
Benchmarks

- Training Data:
 - Randomly generated data from a linear mapping $\mathbb{R}^{20} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$
 - 10^5 input samples
- Computation of the numerical throughput based on the time elapsed for performing 10 training epochs.
- Network structure:
 - 5 hidden layers with 256 neurons
 - *tanh* activation functions
 - Squared error loss

CPU Performance

Implementation: Multithreaded OpenBLAS and TBB

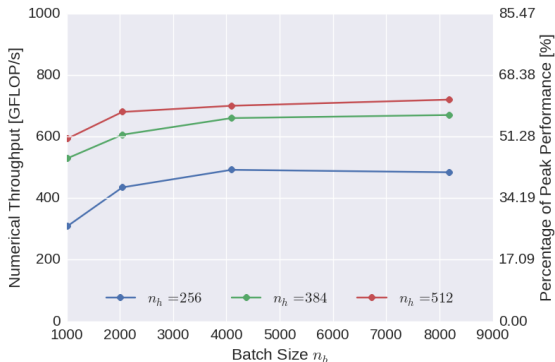
Hardware: Intel Xeon E5-2650, 8×4 cores, 2 GHz, estimated peak performance per core: 16 GFLOP/s



GPU Performance

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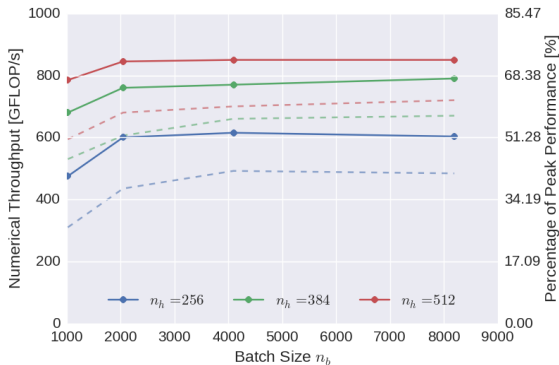
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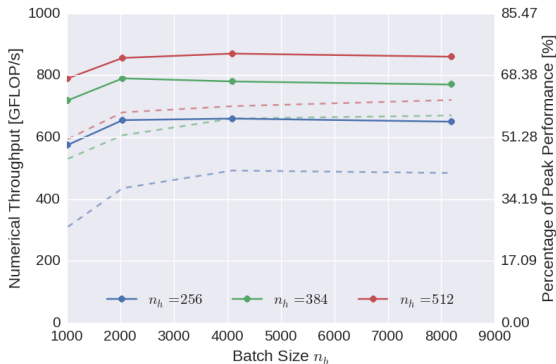
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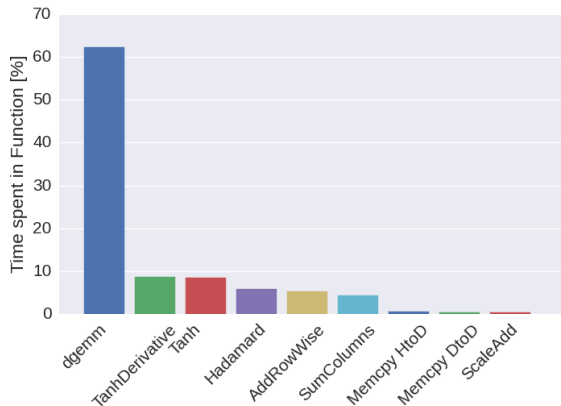
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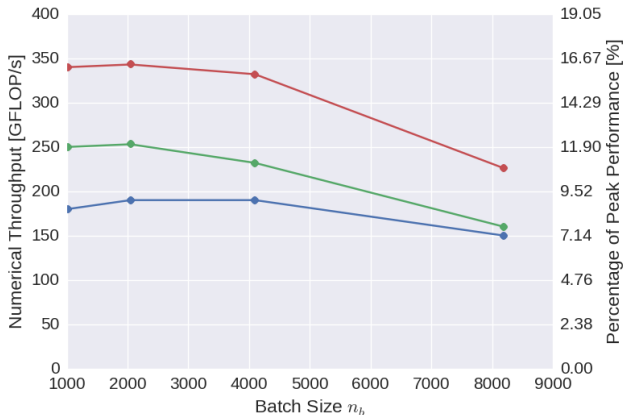
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OpenCL Performance

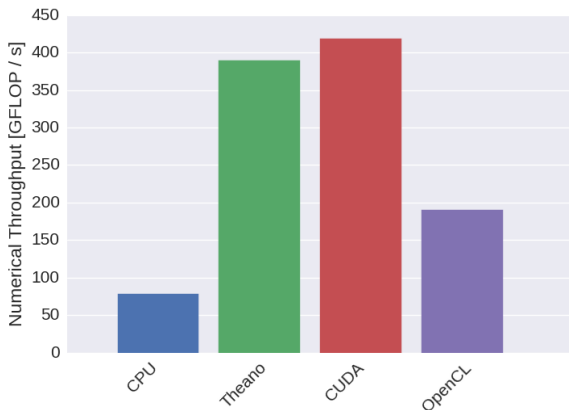
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Summary

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Application to the Higgs Dataset

The Higgs Dataset

- **Signal Process:**

$$gg \rightarrow H^0 \rightarrow W^\pm H^\mp \rightarrow W^\pm W^\mp h^0 \rightarrow W^\pm W^\mp b\bar{b}$$

- **Background Process:**

$$gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\mp b\bar{b}$$

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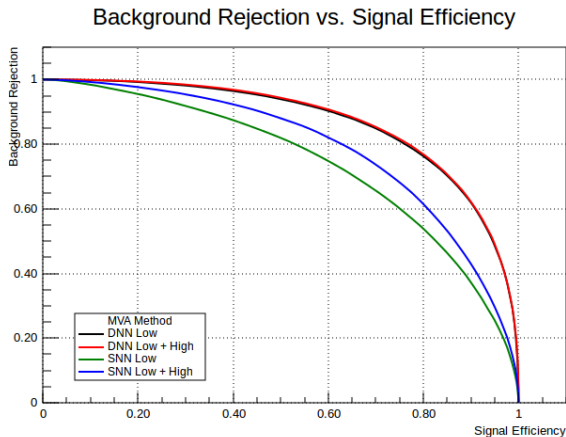
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- **21 low-level features:** Momenta of one lepton and the four jets, jet b-tagging information, missing transverse momentum
- **7 high-level features:** Derived invariant masses of intermediate decay products
- Dataset consisting of 11 million simulated collision events

Shallow vs. Deep Networks

- **Shallow Network:** 1 hidden layer with 256 neurons and *tanh* activation function and cross entropy loss
- **Deep Network:** 5 hidden layers with 256 neurons and *tanh* activation function and cross entropy loss
- Both networks trained once using only low-level features and once using both high-level and low-level features.

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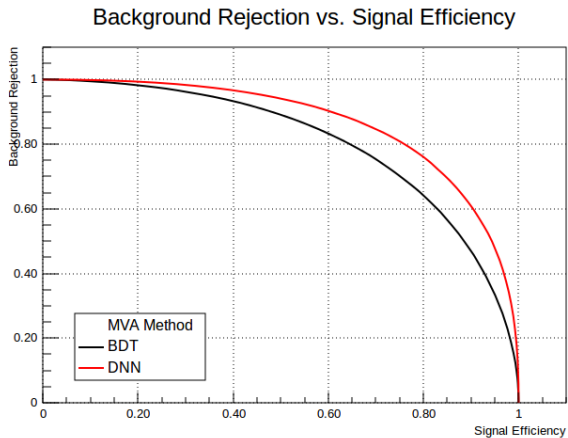


Deep Networks vs. BDT

- **Deep Network:** 5 hidden layers with 256 neurons and *tanh* activation function and cross entropy loss
- **Boosted Decision Trees:** 1000 Trees, maximum depth 3
- Both classifiers trained on low- and high-level features

Method	Training Time [h]	Area under ROC Curve
BDT	4.78 h	0.806
DNN	0.969 h	0.873

Deep Networks vs. BDT



Summary and Future Outlook

Results

- Testing and debugging of the prototype implementation of deep neural networks in TMVA.
- Production-ready implementation of parallel training of deep neural networks on CPUs and CUDA-capable GPUs.
- Reproduced Higgs benchmark results.

Future Outlook

- **Near Future:**
 - Integration of the CPU and CUDA
 - Finish OpenCL implementation
- Analyze performance on different architectures
- Extend neural network functionality: batch normalization, activation functions, AdaGrad, ...

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