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# Improving Deep Neural Networks: Hyperparameter tuning, Regularization and Optimization

**About this course:** This course will teach you the "magic" of getting deep learning to work well. Rather than the deep learning process being a black box, you will understand what drives performance, and be able to more systematically get good results. You will also learn TensorFlow.

After 3 weeks, you will:

- Understand industry best-practices for building deep learning applications.
- Be able to effectively use the common neural network "tricks", including initialization, L2 and dropout regularization, Batch normalization, gradient checking,
- Be able to implement and apply a variety of optimization algorithms, such as mini-batch gradient descent, Momentum, RMSprop and Adam, and check for their convergence.
- Understand new best-practices for the deep learning era of how to set up train/dev/test sets and analyze bias/variance
- Be able to implement a neural network in TensorFlow.

This is the second course of the Deep Learning Specialization.

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**Who is this class for:** This class is for: - Learners that took the first course of the specialization: "Neural Networks and Deep Learning" - Anyone that already understands fully-connected neural networks, and wants to learn the practical aspects of making them work well.

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 <b>Basic Info</b>	Course 2 of 5 in the Deep Learning Specialization
 <b>Level</b>	Beginner

 <b>Commitment</b>	3 weeks, 3-6 hours per week
 <b>Language</b>	English, <b>Subtitles:</b> Chinese (Traditional), Chinese (Simplified)
 <b>How To Pass</b>	Pass all graded assignments to complete the course.
 <b>User Ratings</b>	★★★★★ Average User Rating 4.9 See what learners said

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## Syllabus


### WEEK 1


#### Practical aspects of Deep Learning


 15 videos


1. **Video:** Train / Dev / Test sets
2. **Video:** Bias / Variance
3. **Video:** Basic Recipe for Machine Learning
4. **Video:** Regularization
5. **Video:** Why regularization reduces overfitting?
6. **Video:** Dropout Regularization
7. **Video:** Understanding Dropout
8. **Video:** Other regularization methods
9. **Video:** Normalizing inputs
10. **Video:** Vanishing / Exploding gradients
11. **Video:** Weight Initialization for Deep Networks
12. **Video:** Numerical approximation of gradients
13. **Video:** Gradient checking
14. **Video:** Gradient Checking Implementation Notes
15. **Notebook:** Initialization
16. **Notebook:** Regularization
17. **Notebook:** Gradient Checking
18. **Video:** Yoshua Bengio interview

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 **Graded:** Practical aspects of deep learning

 **Graded:** Initialization

 **Graded:** Regularization

 **Graded:** Gradient Checking


## WEEK 2


### Optimization algorithms

 11 videos

1. **Video:** Mini-batch gradient descent
2. **Video:** Understanding mini-batch gradient descent
3. **Video:** Exponentially weighted averages
4. **Video:** Understanding exponentially weighted averages
5. **Video:** Bias correction in exponentially weighted averages
6. **Video:** Gradient descent with momentum
7. **Video:** RMSprop
8. **Video:** Adam optimization algorithm
9. **Video:** Learning rate decay
10. **Video:** The problem of local optima
11. **Notebook:** Optimization
12. **Video:** Yuanqing Lin interview

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 **Graded:** Optimization algorithms

 **Graded:** Optimization


## WEEK 3

### Hyperparameter tuning, Batch Normalization and Programming Frameworks

 11 videos

1. **Video:** Tuning process
2. **Video:** Using an appropriate scale to pick hyperparameters
3. **Video:** Hyperparameters tuning in practice: Pandas vs. Caviar
4. **Video:** Normalizing activations in a network
5. **Video:** Fitting Batch Norm into a neural network
6. **Video:** Why does Batch Norm work?
7. **Video:** Batch Norm at test time
8. **Video:** Softmax Regression
9. **Video:** Training a softmax classifier
10. **Video:** Deep learning frameworks
11. **Video:** TensorFlow
12. **Notebook:** Tensorflow

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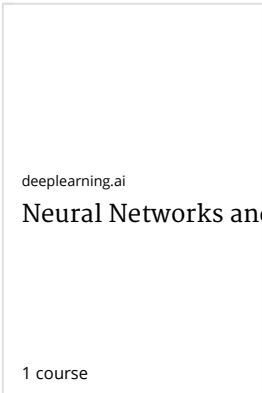

## Ratings and Reviews


 Rated 4.9 out of 5 of 15,627 ratings

RR	Great course where we understand how to tune hyperparameters and how to improve our algorithms with regularization and optimization techniques. The basic concepts of TensorFlow and how to use it are also covered. AMAZING!	★★★★★
王	the tensorflow programming exercise is very helpful!	★★★★★
	Excellent course as usual!	★★★★★
	Very well explained with practical scenarios.	★★★★★

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