Intro to Neural Nets

Week 2: Mathematical Building Blocks & Working with Keras API

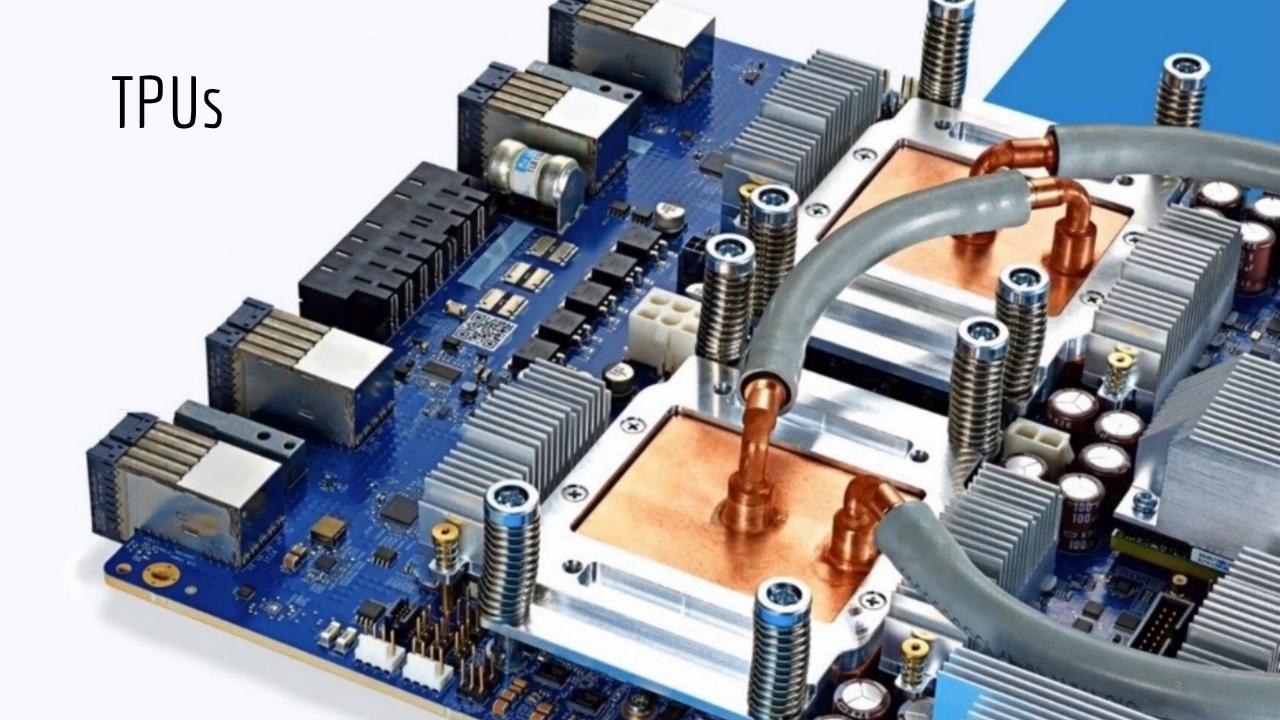
Today's Agenda

1. Building Blocks of NNs

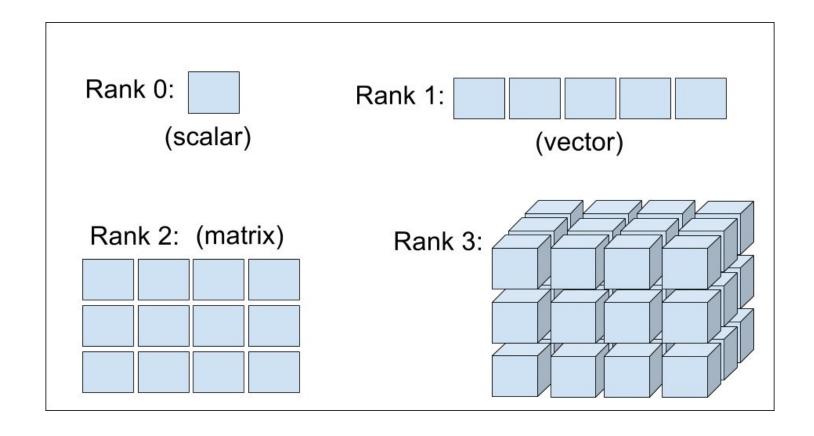
- Tensors (and relevant mathematical operations)
- Activation and Loss Functions
- Backpropagation: Derivatives, Gradients & the Chain Rule (with examples)

2. Building a Linear Classifier

- Overview of Keras and Tensorflow.
- Implementing a linear classifier in Keras (now that we know the components).

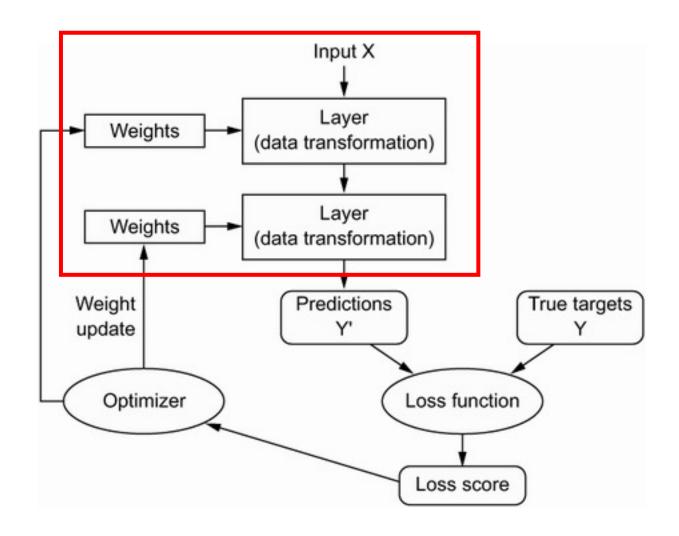


Tensors



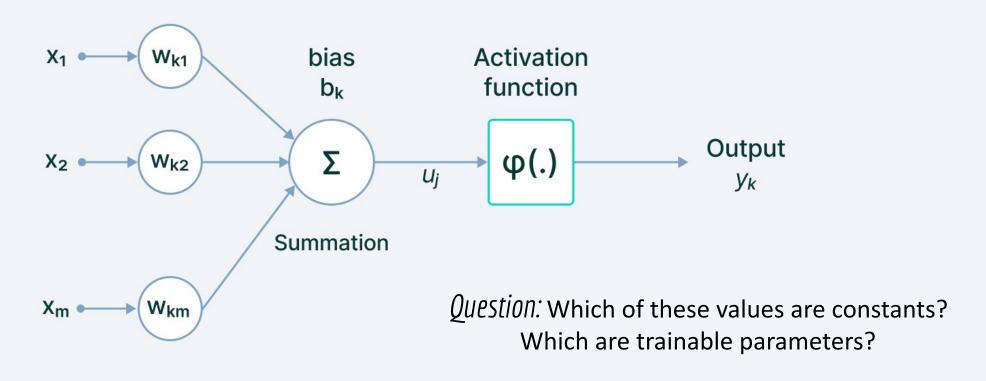
Question: What sort of data (give an example) would be stored in a rank-3 tensor? How about a rank-4 tensor?

Forward Pass



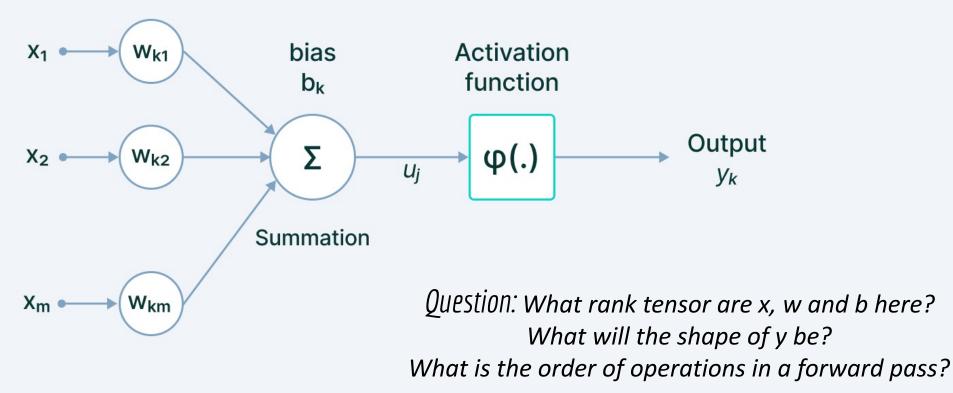
Neuron / Network Components

Neuron



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Multiplication

$$y_1 = \varphi \left(\mathbf{x_1} \cdot \mathbf{w_1} + b_1 \right)$$

Conformity of Shapes

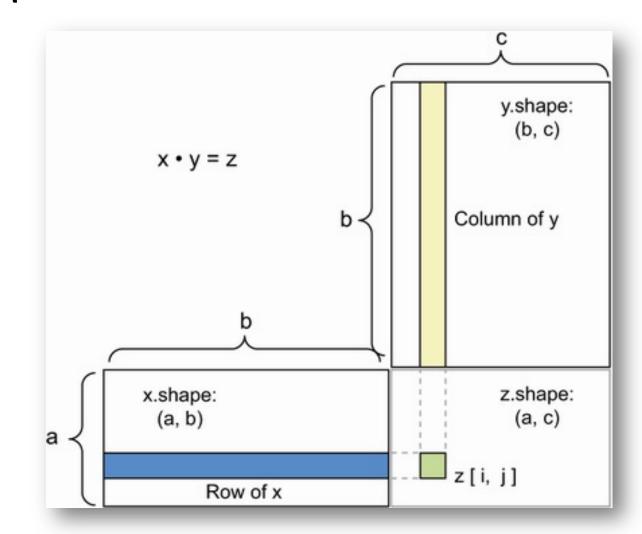
NCOL(X) == NROW(W)

Elements of Resulting Tensor are the Dot Product of X's Rows and Y's Columns

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$$Z[2,2] = X[2,:] \cdot Y[:,2]$$

We Use This for Multiplication Step

x*w calculations.



Matrix Addition (Broadcast)

 $y_1 = \varphi \left(x_1 \cdot w_1 + b_1 \right)$

Shape of the Two Tensors Needs to Conform

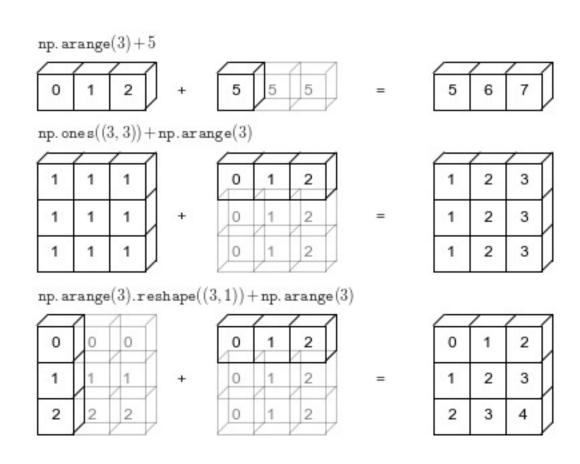
 A + B will only work if A is cleanly divisible by B (or vice versa)

Sum Element-wise

Replicate B until it matches
 A's dimensions, then perform element-wise addition.

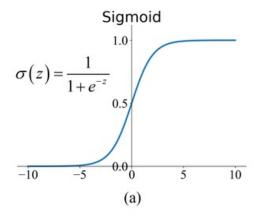
We Use This for the Addition Step

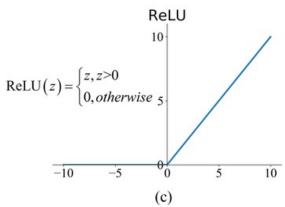
Add x*w and b (bias)

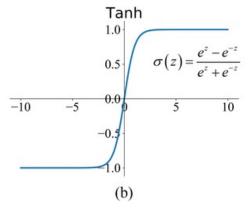


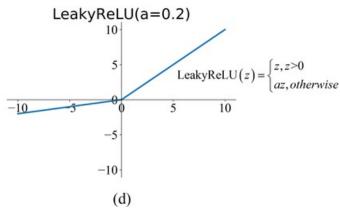
Activation Functions

 $y_1 = \varphi \left(x_1 \cdot w_1 + b_1 \right)$









Softmax Activation

$$y_1 = \varphi \left(x_1 \cdot w_1 + b_1 \right)$$

Notes:

We have D inputs (x's). We have k outputs (classes).

So, W is a (D,k) matrix and X is a (D,1) matrix.

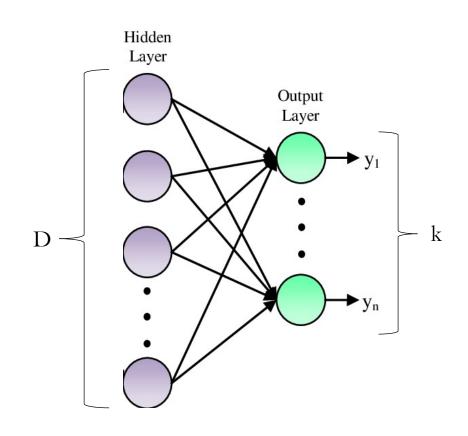
That means, A is a (k,1) matrix.

That means Y is also a (k,1) matrix.

$$A = W^T X,$$

$$Y = \operatorname{softmax}(A),$$

$$Y_i = \frac{e^{A_i}}{\sum_{j=1}^k e^{A_j}}$$



We Know Enough for a Forward Pass

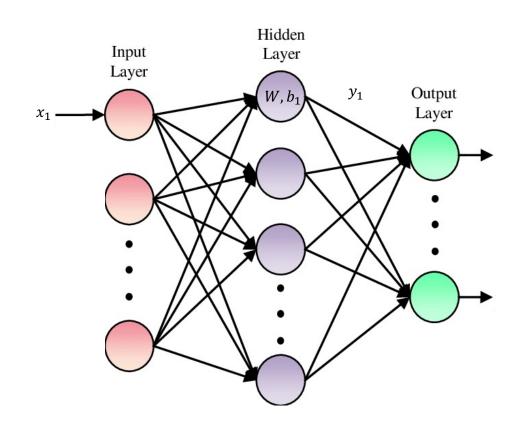
Calculate Output of Each Node Sequentially

$$y_1 = \varphi (x_1 \cdot w_{1,1} + x_2 \cdot w_{1,2} + \dots + b_1)$$

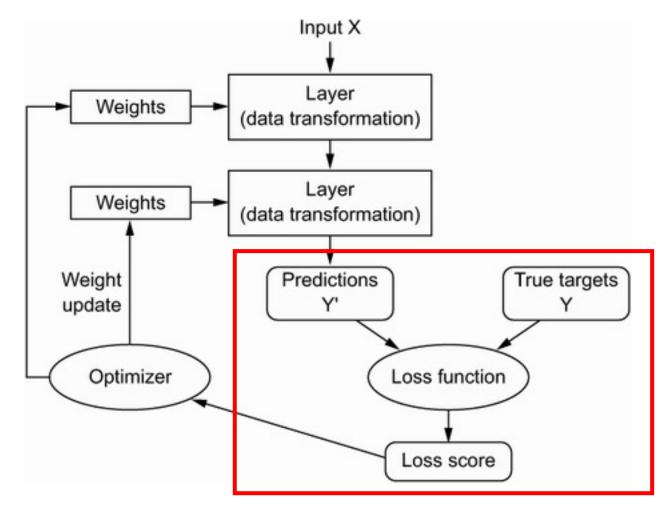
$$y_2 = \varphi \left(x_1 \cdot w_{2,1} + x_2 \cdot w_{2,2} + \dots + b_2 \right)$$

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Eventually We Obtain Model's Predictions



Calculate Loss



Loss Functions

Cross-Entropy / Log-Loss

$$H_p(q) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i \cdot log(p(y_i)) + (1 - y_i) \cdot log(1 - p(y_i))$$

- Typical for binary outcomes. Value grows exponentially larger as the predicted probability moves away from the true 0,1 label.
- Multi-category outcomes have an analogous loss function known as categorical cross-entropy.

$$CE = -\sum_{i}^{C} t_{i}log(s_{i})$$

MAE / L1 Loss

$$MAE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{n}$$

 Typical for continuous outcomes.
 Errors are penalized homogenously, in magnitude and direction. This should look familiar!

MSE / Quadratic / L2 Loss

$$MSE = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{n}$$

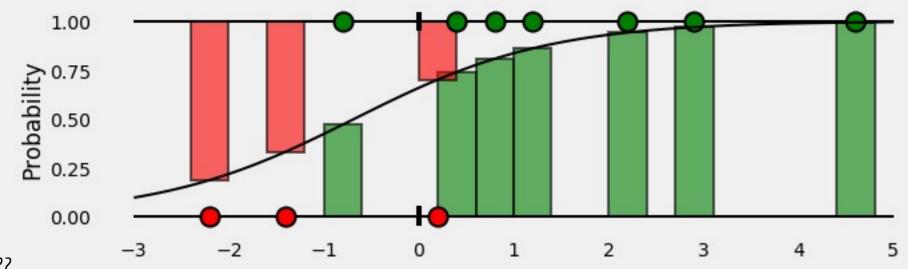
 Typical for continuous outcomes, larger errors penalized exponentially more. This should look familiar!

Binary Cross-Entropy Loss

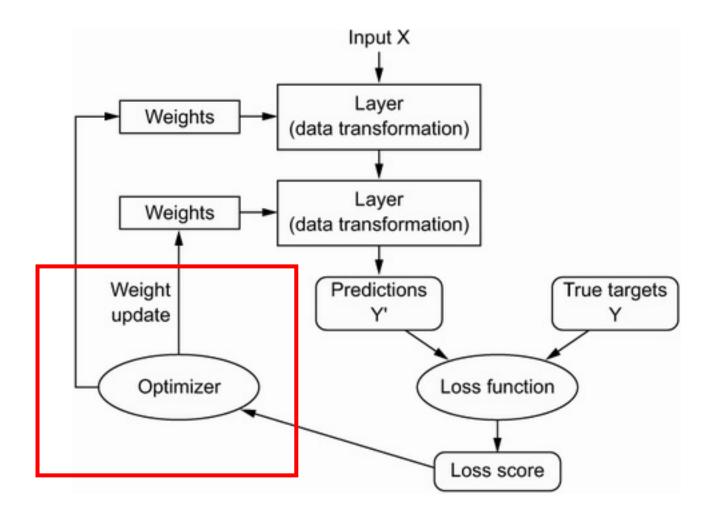
$$H_p(q) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i \cdot log(p(y_i)) + (1 - y_i) \cdot log(1 - p(y_i))$$

Piecemeal Function:

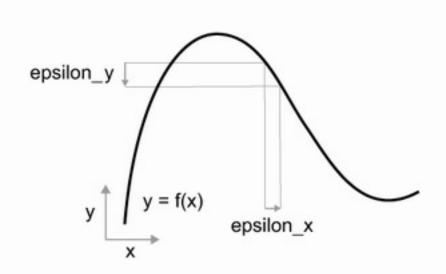
- If ground truth is 1, then loss is -1*log(p). As prediction approaches 1, loss approaches 0. As prediction approaches 0, loss grows exponentially.
- If ground truth is 0, then loss is -1*log(1-p). As prediction approaches 1, loss rises exponentially. As prediction approaches 0, loss approaches 0.

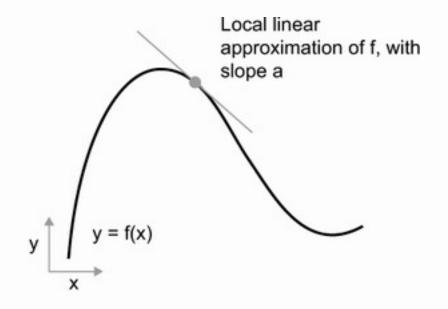


Backpropagation

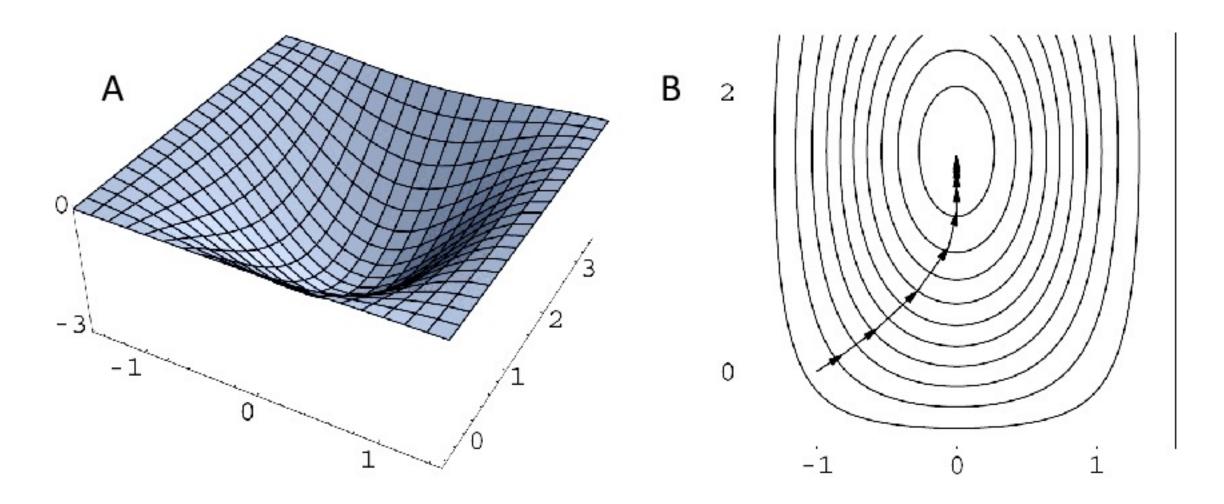


Derivative = "Rate" of Change

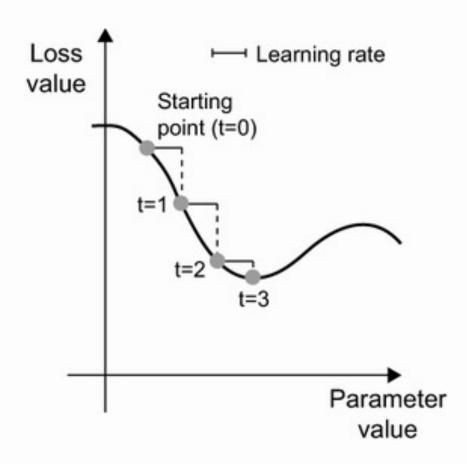




Gradient = Derivative in Multiple Dimensions



Gradient Descent



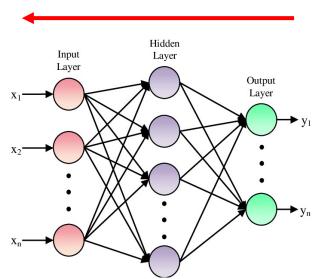
Derivatives of Loss w.r.t All Parameters

Recall that Each Node's Output Can be Expressed as a Function of the Prior Nodes' Outputs

$$y_1 = \varphi (x_1 \cdot w_{1,1} + x_2 \cdot w_{1,2} + \dots + b_1)$$

$$y_2 = \varphi \left(x_1 \cdot w_{2,1} + x_2 \cdot w_{2,2} + \dots + b_2 \right)$$

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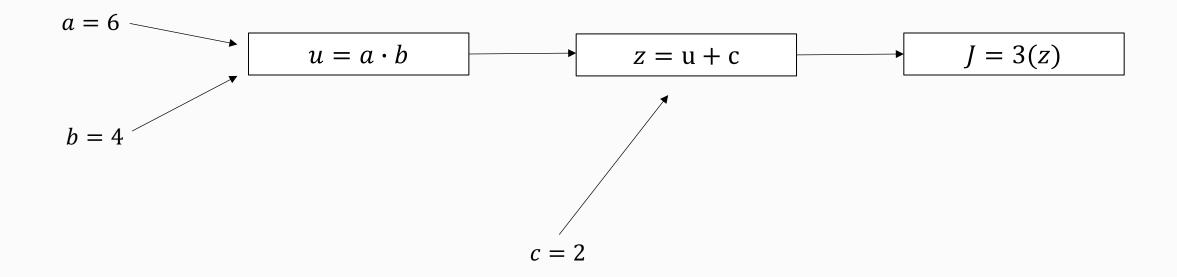


Start at the final nodes in the network and work backwards

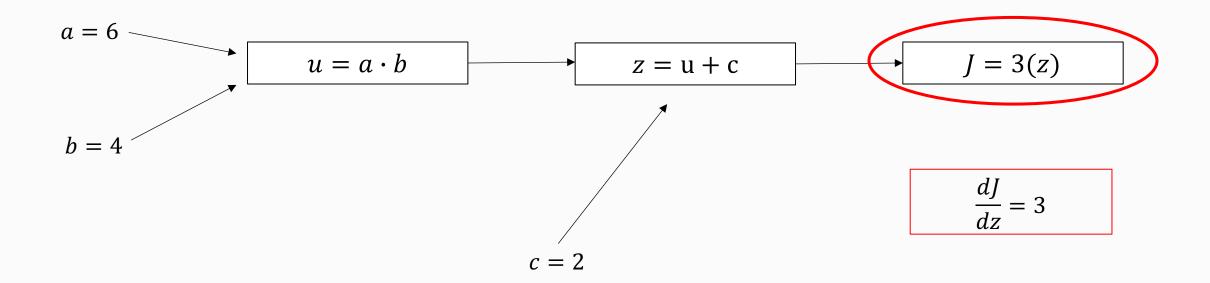
- We calculate partial derivatives w.r.t. their inputs / weights.
- Then, use those partial derivatives and work backward into earlier layers to get partial derivatives w.r.t. their inputs / weights, and so on.

Simplifying Gradients: Computation Graph

$$J = 3(a \cdot b + c)$$

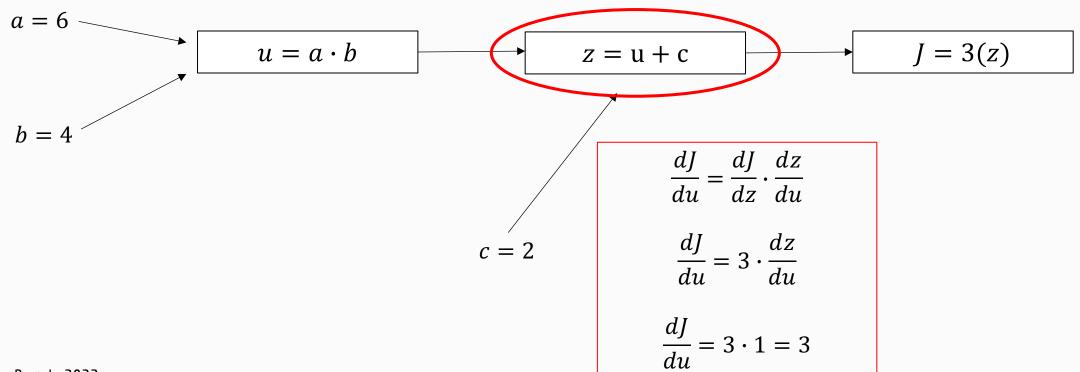


$$J = 3(a \cdot b + c)$$



$$\frac{dJ}{dz} = 3$$

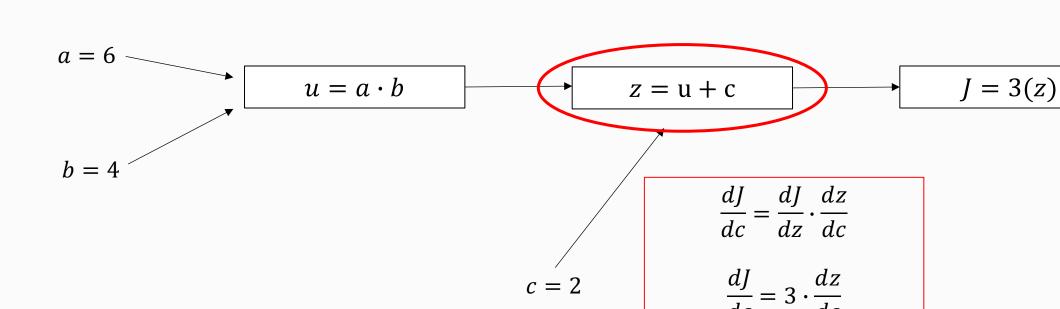
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 $\frac{dJ}{dc} = 3 \cdot 1 = 3$

$$\frac{dJ}{dz} = 3$$

$$\frac{dJ}{du} = 3$$



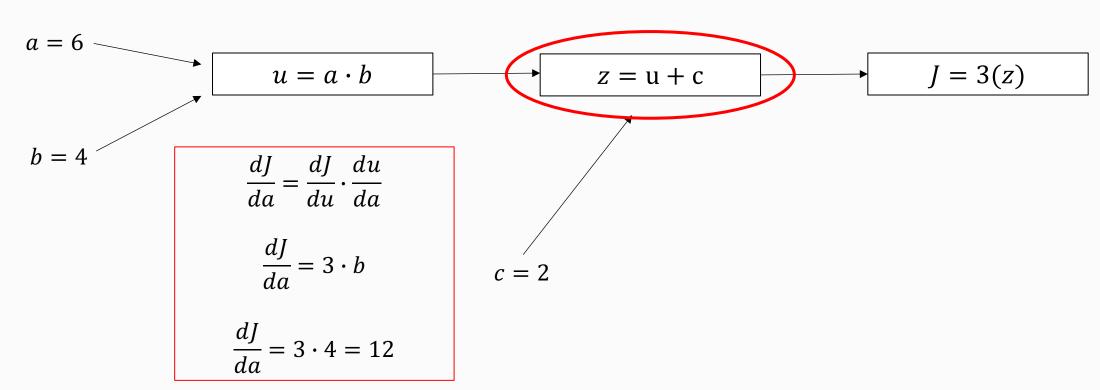
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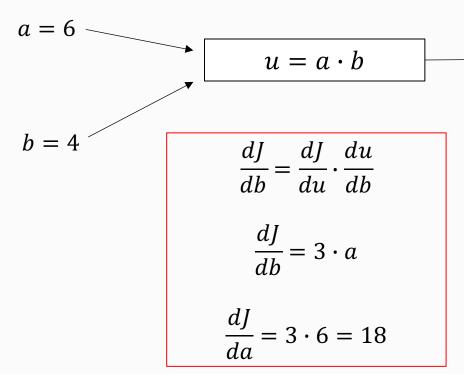
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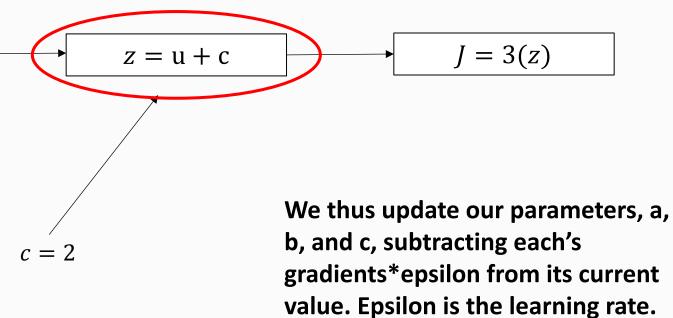
$$J = 3(a \cdot b + c)$$
 Loss function

$$\frac{dJ}{da} = 12$$

$$\frac{dJ}{dc} = 3$$

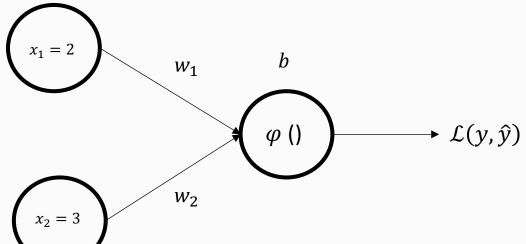
$$\frac{dJ}{dc} = 3$$





a: 6 - 18*epsilon b: 4 - 12*epsilon (learning rate)

Single Node with Sigmoid & Cross-Entropy Loss (i.e., Logistic Regression)



Remember that φ here is just a placeholder for the argument to the loss function. It happens to be a sigmoid transformation of 'something', i.e., $\varphi(wx+b)$, but it doesn't really matter. We just represent it with some variable name and calculate an expression for the derivative.

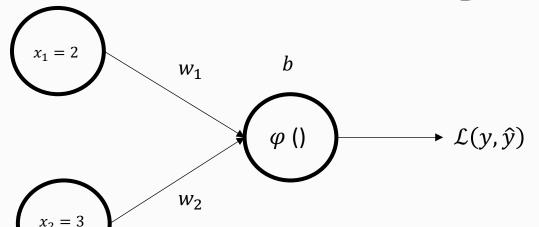
$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\varphi} = -\frac{y}{\varphi} + \frac{1-y}{1-\varphi}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\varphi} = \frac{\varphi(1-y) - y(1-\varphi)}{\varphi(1-\varphi)}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\varphi} = \frac{\varphi - \varphi y - y + \varphi y}{\varphi(1-\varphi)}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\varphi} = \frac{\varphi - y}{\varphi(1-\varphi)}$$

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Now we calculate derivative of the sigmoid with respect to its argument, z.

$$\begin{split} \varphi(z) &= (1 + e^{-z})^{-1} \\ \varphi'(z) &= -1 \cdot (1 + e^{-z})^{-2} \cdot (0 + e^{-z} \cdot -1) \\ \varphi'(z) &= (1 + e^{-z})^{-2} \cdot e^{-z} \\ \varphi'(z) &= \varphi(z) \cdot (1 - \varphi(z)) \end{split}$$

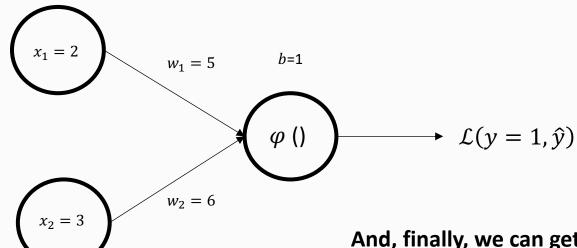
$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dz} = \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\varphi} \cdot \frac{d\varphi}{dz}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dz} = \frac{\varphi - y}{\varphi(1 - y)} \cdot \frac{d\varphi}{dz}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dz} = \frac{\varphi - y}{\varphi(1 - y)} \cdot \varphi(1 - \varphi)$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dz} = \varphi - y$$

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And, finally, we can get gradient of loss with respect to weights and bias. For example, for the first weight...

Evaluate φ based on current values of parameters and the data.

Finally, update the weights...

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dw_1} = \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dz} \cdot \frac{dz}{dw_1}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dw_1} = (\varphi - y) \cdot x_1$$

$$w_{1,new} = w_{1,old} - (\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{dw_{1,old}} \cdot \varepsilon)$$

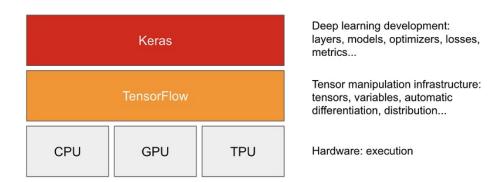
Keras and Tensorflow

1. Tensorflow

• A Python platform for working with tensors, implementing automatic differentiation, providing access to repositories of (well-known) pre-trained models.

2. Keras

- A higher-level API that wraps common usage patterns with Tensorflow functions, pre-defined loss functions, optimization algorithms, etc.
- Keras simplifies data scientists' interaction with Tensorflow.



Tensorflow GradientTape: AutoDiff

1. Gradient Tape

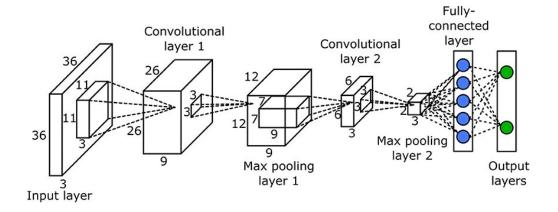
- A Tensorflow function that automates the calculation of derivatives.
- It constructs a computation graph in the background and implements codified rules for calculating derivatives of functions.
- You could technically use gradient tape to implement a gradient descent algorithm for many optimization problems.



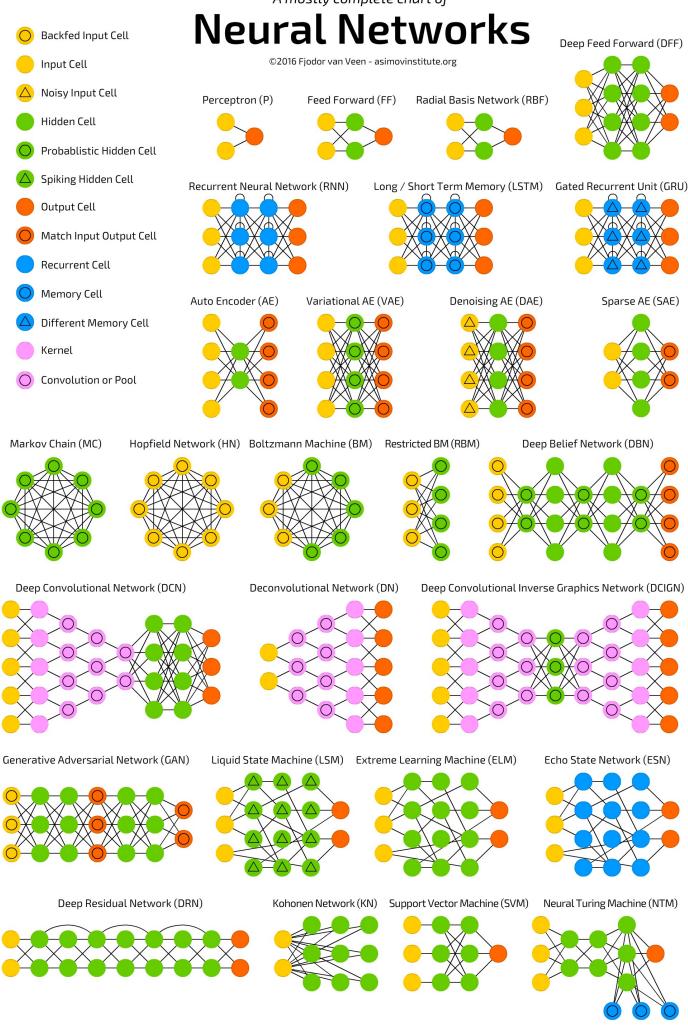
The Layer

Layers are the Key Building Block of NNs in Keras

- There are a few subclasses of the Layers class: e.g., Dense is the one we have seen so far layers.Dense(), but we also have convolutional layers, max-pooling layers, recurrent layers, and so on. There are many pre-defined layers in Keras. See: https://keras.io/api/layers/.
- These are different architectural components that can be mixed and matched in different ways to create different network topologies.
- It is also possible to construct custom layers.



A mostly complete chart of



Recap

Building Blocks of NNs

- Tensors and Tensor Operations
- Activation Functions
- Loss Functions
- Backpropagation: Derivatives, Gradients & the Chain Rule

Procedure of Minibatch Stochastic Gradient Descent

- Grab a batch of observations (samples)
- Predict their labels using current weights / bias terms.
- Calculate loss value.
- Calculate gradient of loss w.r.t. all weight / bias terms.
- Update each weight by subtracting its gradient*learning rate
- Cycle over the whole training dataset (each cycle is an epoch) repeatedly, until loss is small.