

Hyperparameter tuning part III

Plan for the lecture: models

- Tree-based models
 - GBDT: XGBoost, LightGBM, CatBoost
 - RandomForest/ExtraTrees
- Neural nets
 - Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras...
- Linear models
 - SVM, logistic regression
 - Vowpal Wabbit, FTRL
- Factorization Machines (out of scope)
 - libFM, libFFM

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- **What framework to use?**

- Keras, Lasagne
- TensorFlow
- MxNet
- PyTorch
- sklearn's MLP
- ...

They implement the same functionality! (except sklearn)

- **I recommend:**

- PyTorch
- Keras

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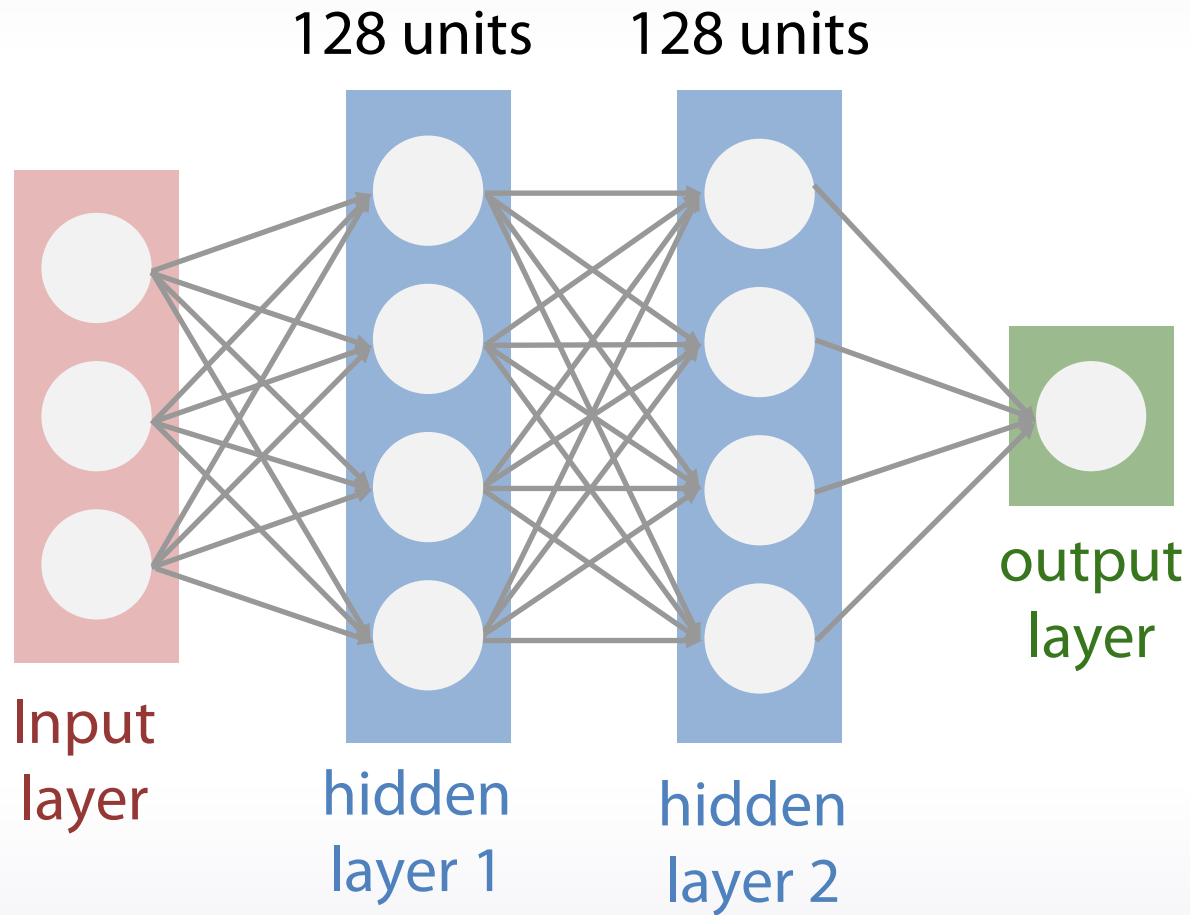
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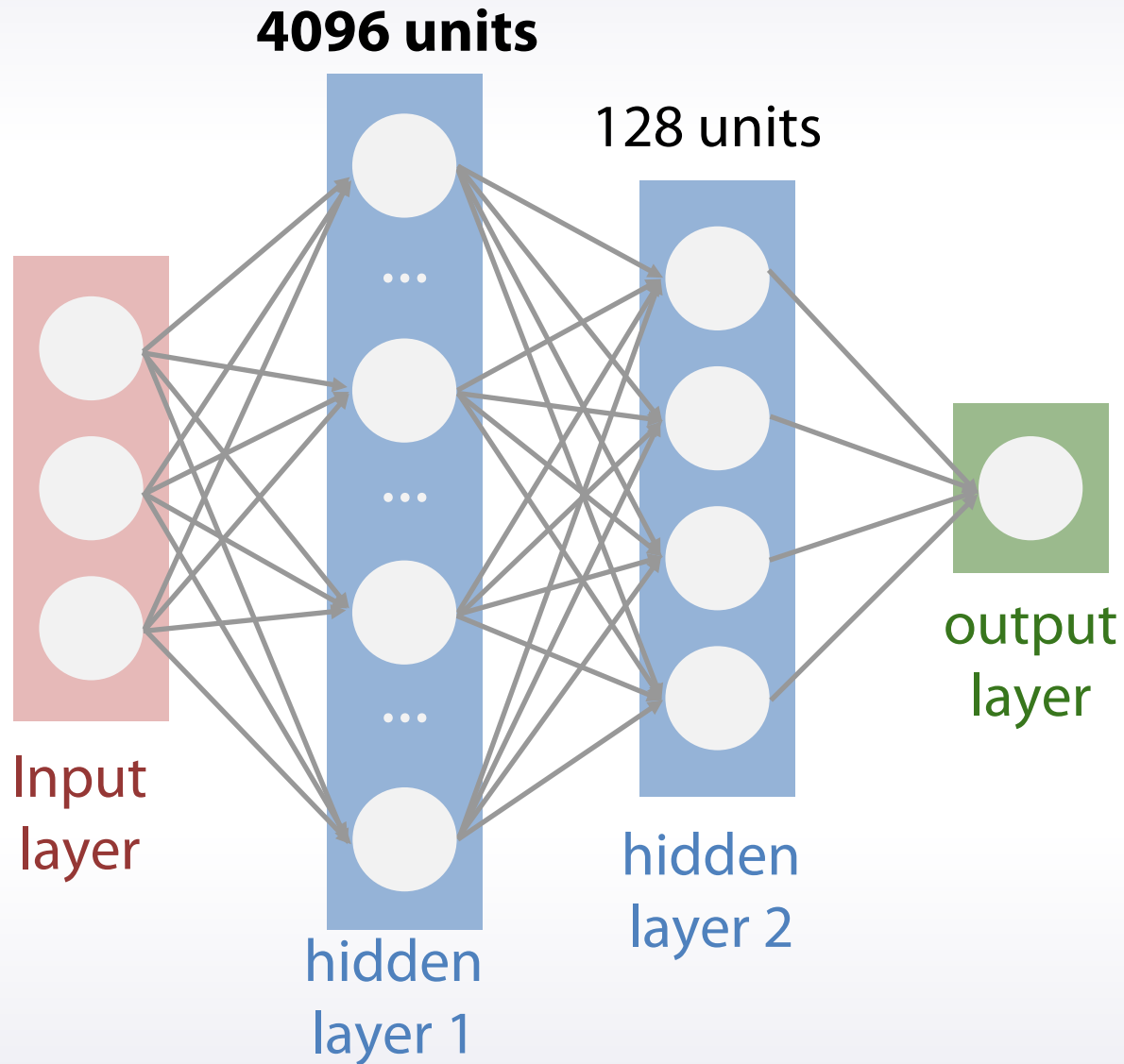
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 - L2/L1 for weights
 - Dropout/Dropconnect
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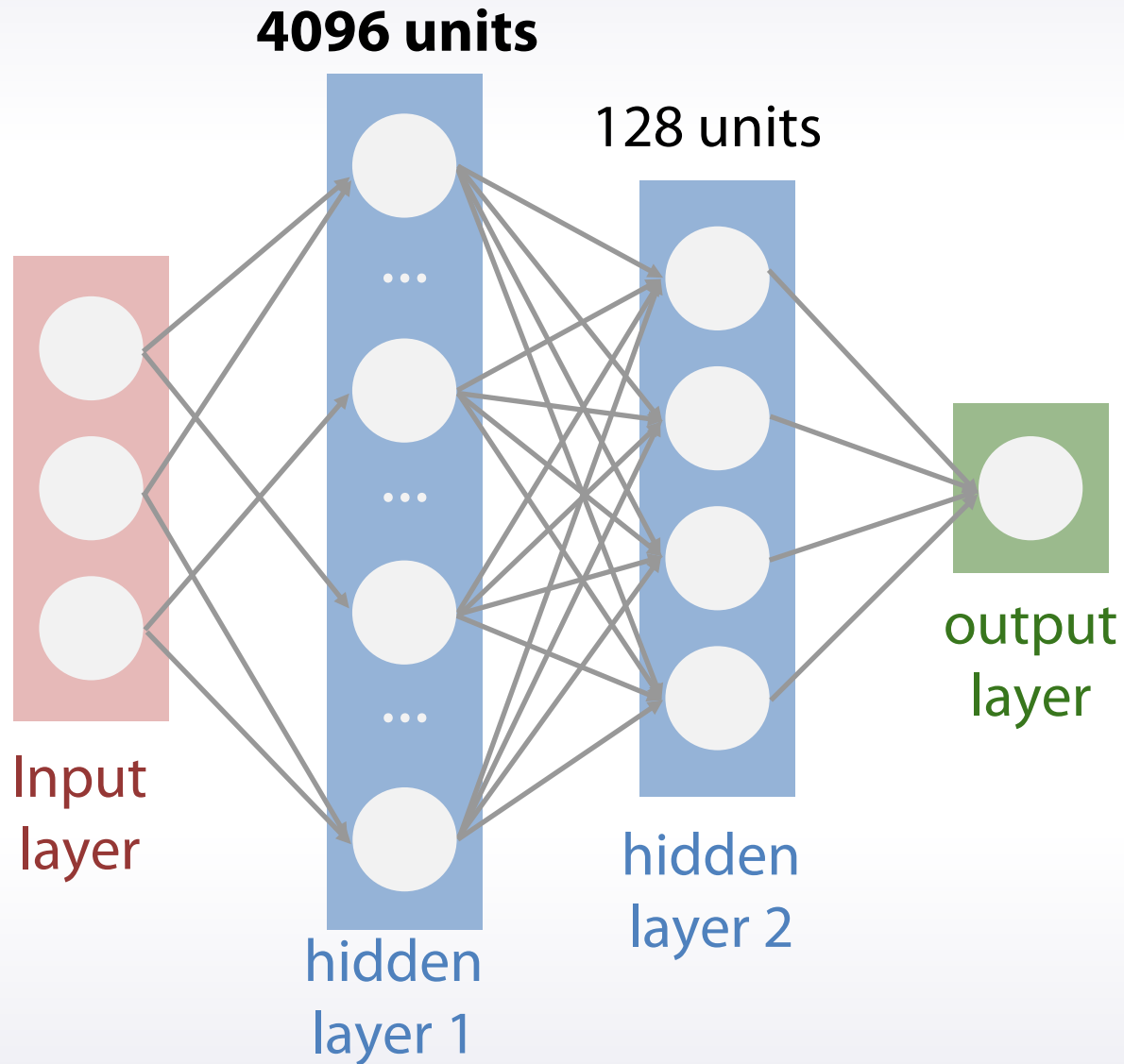
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 - $L1/L2/L1+L2$ -- try each
 - $L1$ can be used for feature selection

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 - Over random seed
 - Or over small deviations from optimal parameters
 - e.g. average *max_depth*=4,5,6 for an optimal 5

Conclusion

- Hyperparameter tuning in general
 - General pipeline
 - Manual and automatic tuning
 - What should we understand about hyperparameters?
- Models, libraries and hyperparameter optimization
 - Tree-based models
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