

Announcements

- Project Milestone 1 due **Tonight at 8pm**
- Quiz due **tomorrow (Thursday, March 2) at 8pm**
- HW 4 due **Wednesday, March 15**
 - Please start early!

Lecture 14: Neural Networks (Part 2)

CIS 4190/5190

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Agenda

- **Recap**
- **Neural network tips and tricks**
- **Hyperparameter tuning**
- **Implementation**

Recap: Neural Network Model Family

- Each **layer** is a parametric function $f_{W_j}: \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^h$ for some k, h
- Compose sequentially to form model family (a.k.a. **architecture**):

$$f_W = f_{W_m} \circ \cdots \circ f_{W_1}$$

- **Examples:**
 - Linear: $f_W(z) = Wz$
 - **Activation function:** $g(z) = \sigma(z)$
 - **Softmax:** $f(z) = \text{softmax}(z)$

Recap: Optimization & Backpropagation

- Based on gradient descent, with a few tweaks
 - **Note:** Loss is nonconvex, but gradient descent works well in practice
- **Key challenge:** How to compute the gradient?
 - **Previous strategy:** Work out gradient for every model family
 - **Backpropagation:** Algorithm for computing gradient of an arbitrary programmatic composition of layers

Recap: Backpropagation by Example

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 - $f_1(z, W) = g(Wz)$
 - $f_2(z, \beta) = \beta^\top z$
- Its derivatives are

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Recap: Backpropagation

- **General case:** Consider a neural network

$$f_W(x) = f_{W_m} \circ f_{W_{m-1}} \circ \dots \circ f_{W_1}(x)$$

- **Forward pass:**

$$z^{(j)} = f_{W_j} \circ \dots \circ f_{W_1}(x)$$

- **Backward pass:**

$$D_{W_j} f_W(x) = \underbrace{\partial_{z^{(m-1)}} f_{W_m} \dots \partial_{z^{(j)}} f_{W_{j+1}}}_{\text{shared across terms}} \partial_{W_j} f_{W_j}(z^{(j-1)})$$

Recap: Backpropagation

$$\partial_z f_{W_m}(z) \partial_z$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_{W_m,1}}{\partial z_1}(z) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_{W_m,1}}{\partial z_k}(z) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_{W_m,h}}{\partial z_1}(z) & \dots & \frac{\partial f_{W_m,h}}{\partial z_k}(z) \end{bmatrix}$$

Recap: Backpropagation

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Recap: Backpropagation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \partial_{z_1} f_{W_m}(z) \partial_{z_k} f_{W_{m-1}}(z) \partial_{z_\ell} f_{W_{m-2}}(z) \\
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Recap: Backpropagation

- **Forward pass:** Compute forwards from $j = 0$ to $j = m$

- $z^{(j)} = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } j = 0 \\ f_{W_j}(z^{(j-1)}) & \text{if } j > 0 \end{cases}$

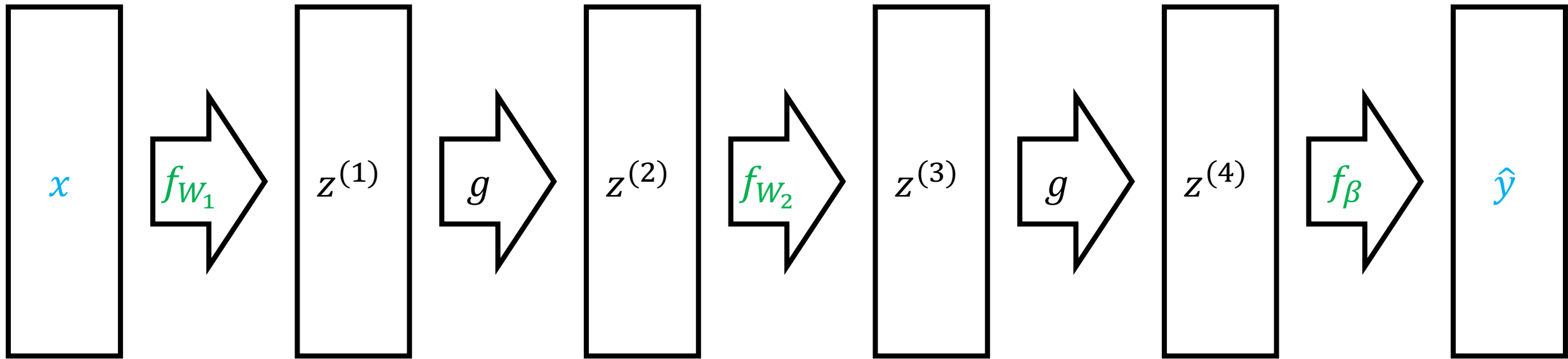
- **Backward pass:** Compute backwards from $j = m$ to $j = 1$

- $D^{(j)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = m \\ D^{(j+1)} \partial_z f_{W_{j+1}}(z^{(j)}) & \text{if } j < m \end{cases}$

- $D_{W_j} f_W(x) = D^{(j)} \partial_{W_j} f_{W_j}(z^{(j-1)})$

- **Final output:** $\nabla_{W_j} L(f_W(x), y)^\top = \nabla_{\hat{y}} L(z^{(m)}, y)^\top D_{W_j} f_W(x)$ for each j

Recap: Backpropagation



Forward pass: Compute $z^{(j)} = f_{W_j}(z^{(j-1)})$

Backward pass: Compute $D^{(j)} = D^{(j+1)} \partial_z f_{W_{j+1}}(z^{(j)})$ and $D_{W_j} f_W(x) = D^{(j)} \partial_{W_j} f_{W_j}(z^{(j-1)})$

Final output: $\nabla_{\hat{y}} L(z^{(m)}, y)^\top D_{W_j} f_W(x)$

Gradient Descent

- $W_1 \leftarrow \text{Initialize}()$
- **for** $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ **until** convergence:

$$W_{t+1,j} \leftarrow W_{t,j} - \frac{\alpha}{n} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \nabla_{W_j} L(f_{W_t}(x_i), y_i) \quad (\text{for each } j)$$

- **return** f_{W_t}

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- **for** $t \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ **until** convergence:
 - Compute gradients $\nabla_{W_j} L(f_{W_t}(x_i), y_i)$ using backpropagation
 - Update parameters:

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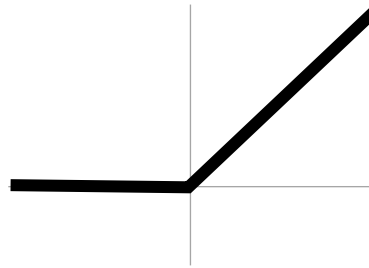
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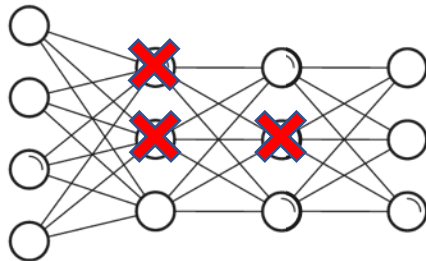
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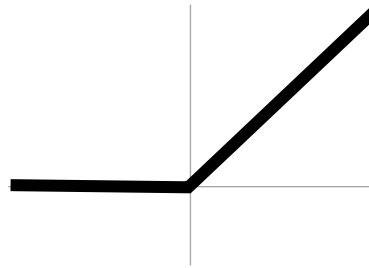


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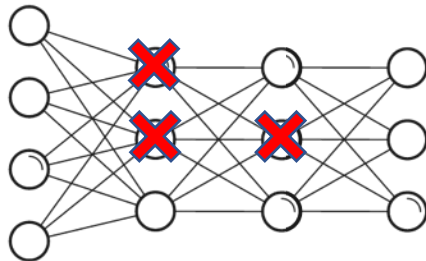
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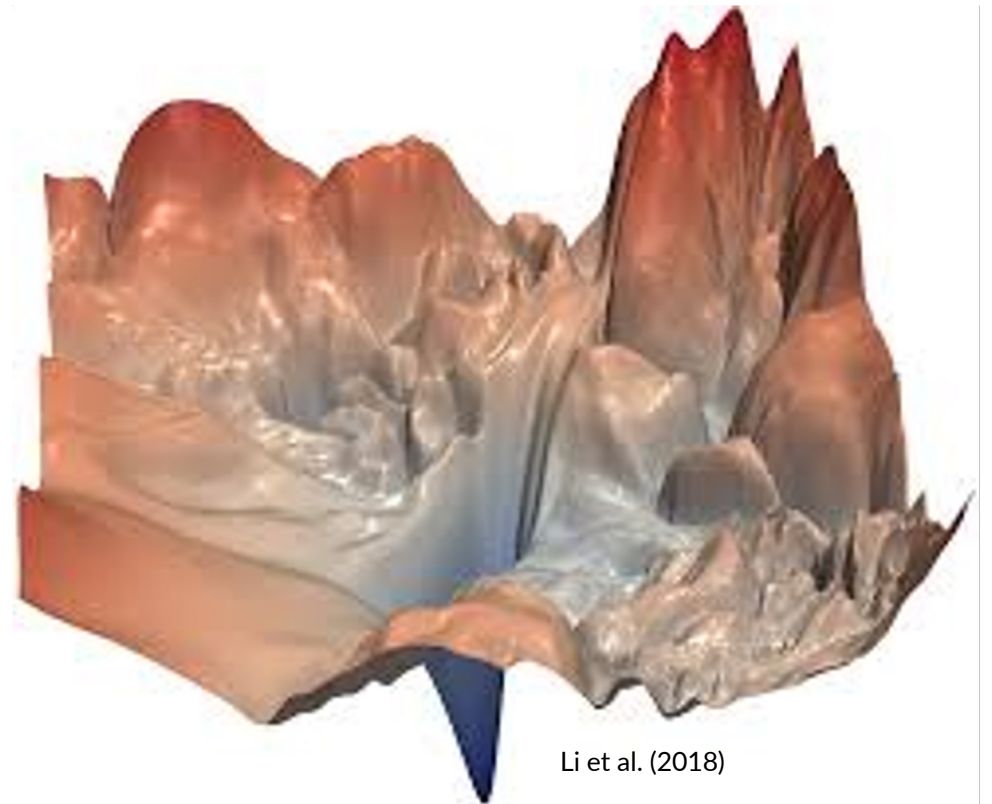


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Optimization Challenges

- **Challenges**

- Local minima, saddle points due to non-convex loss
 - Exploding/vanishing gradients
 - Ill-conditioning
- Have heuristics that work in common cases (but not always)



Gradient Descent

- $W \leftarrow \text{Initialize}()$
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Stochastic Gradient Descent

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 - **for** $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$:
 - **for** $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$:
- usually $T \in \{1, \dots, 10\}$

$$\beta \leftarrow \beta - \alpha \cdot \nabla_{\beta} L(f_{\beta}(x_i), y_i)$$

- **return** f_{β}

Minibatch Stochastic Gradient Descent

- $W \leftarrow \text{Initialize}()$
- **for** $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$:
 - **for** $i' \in \{1, 2, \dots, \frac{n}{k}\}$:

$$\beta \leftarrow \beta - \frac{\alpha}{k} \cdot \sum_{i=i'k}^{i'(k+1)-1} \nabla_{\beta} L(f_{\beta}(x_i), y_i) \quad (\text{for each } j)$$

- **return** f_{β}

Accelerated Gradient Descent

- Vanilla gradient descent:

$$\beta \leftarrow \beta - \alpha \cdot \nabla_{\beta} L(f_{\beta}(x), y)$$

- Accelerated gradient descent:

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Accelerated Gradient Descent

- **Intuition:** ρ holds the previous update $\alpha \cdot \nabla_{\beta} L(f_{\beta}(x), y)$, except it “remembers” where it was heading via momentum
- New hyperparameter μ (typically $\mu = 0.9$ or $\mu = 0.99$)

Nesterov Momentum

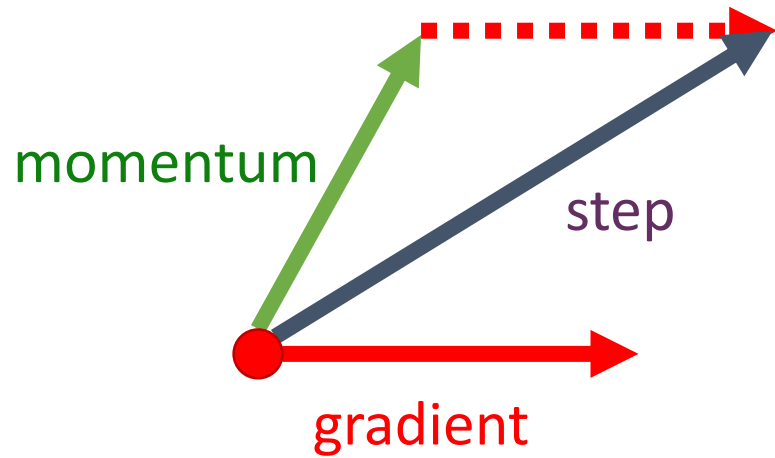
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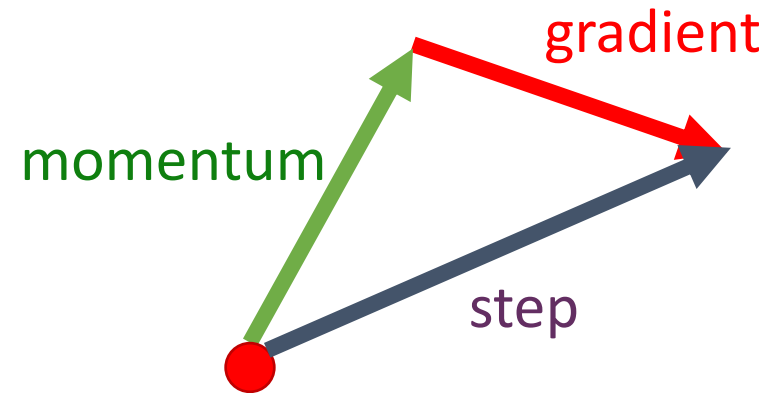
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Nesterov Momentum



vanilla momentum




Nesterov momentum

“Lookahead” helps avoid overshooting when close to the optimum

Adaptive Learning Rates

- **AdaGrad:** Letting $g = \nabla_{\beta} L(f_{\beta}(x), y)$, we have

$$G \leftarrow G + g^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \leftarrow \beta - \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{G}} \cdot g$$


vector

- **RMSProp:** Use exponential moving average instead:

$$G \leftarrow \lambda \cdot G + (1 - \lambda)g^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta \leftarrow \beta - \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{G}} \cdot g$$

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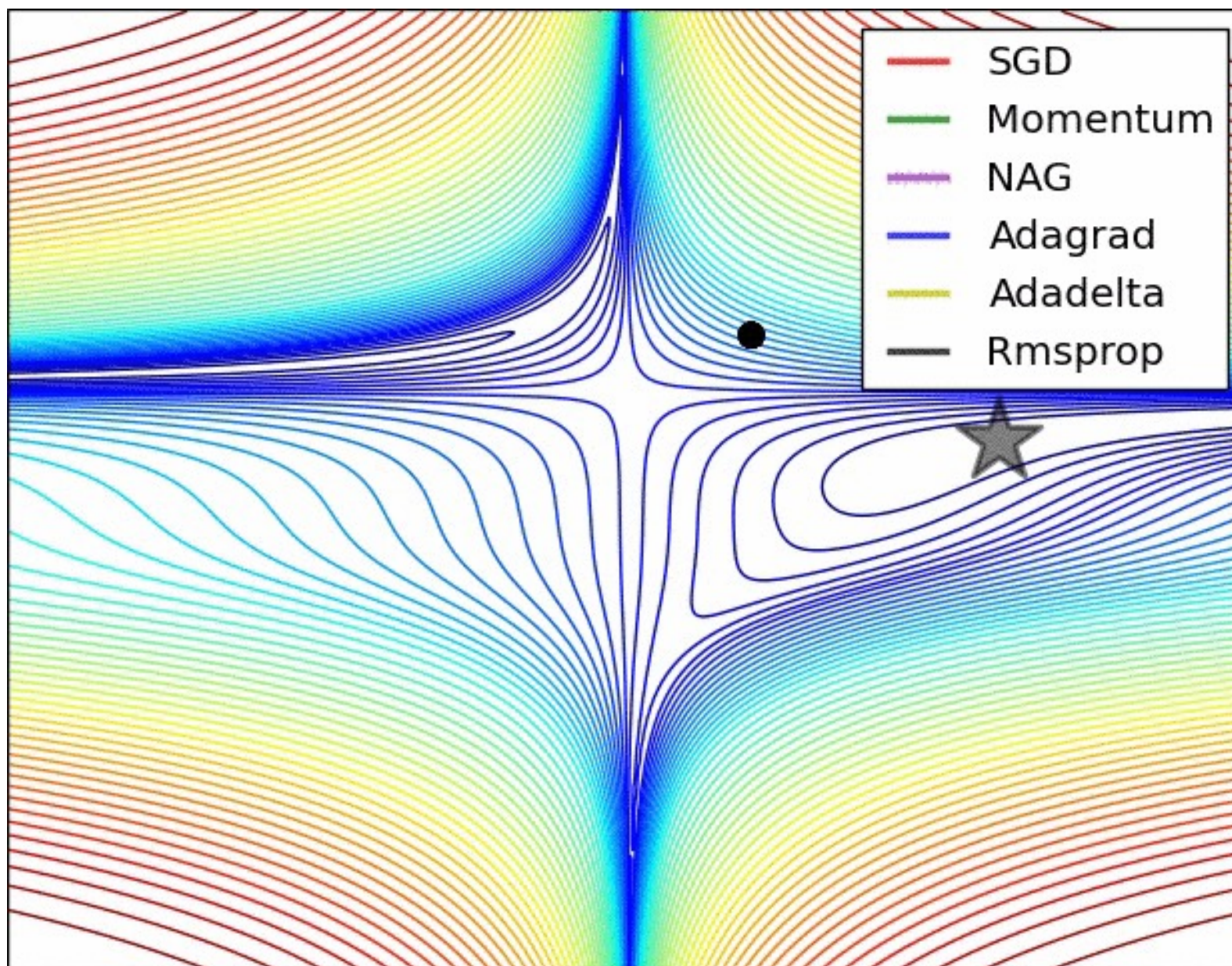
- **Adam:** Similar to RMSprop, but with both the first and second moments of the gradients

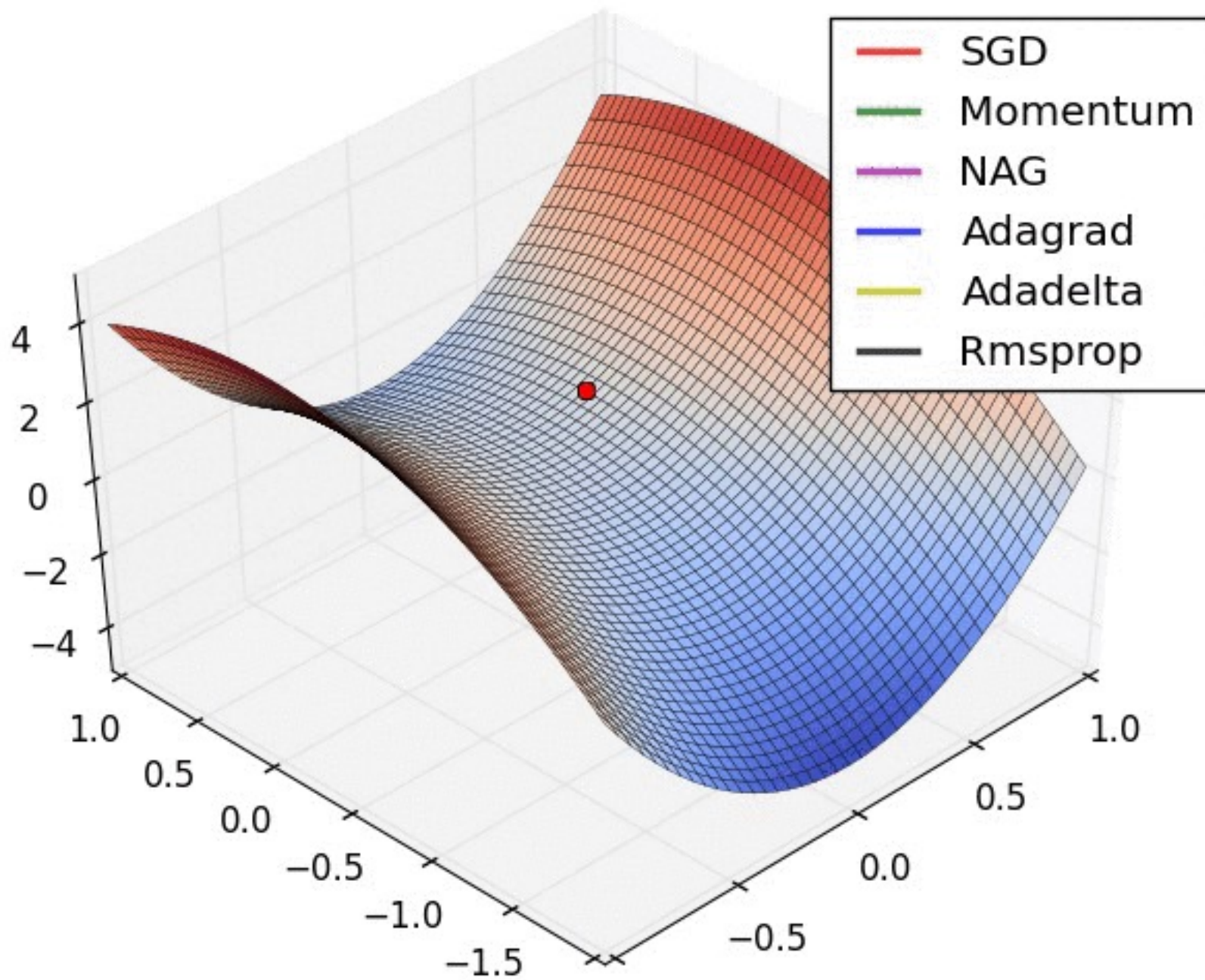
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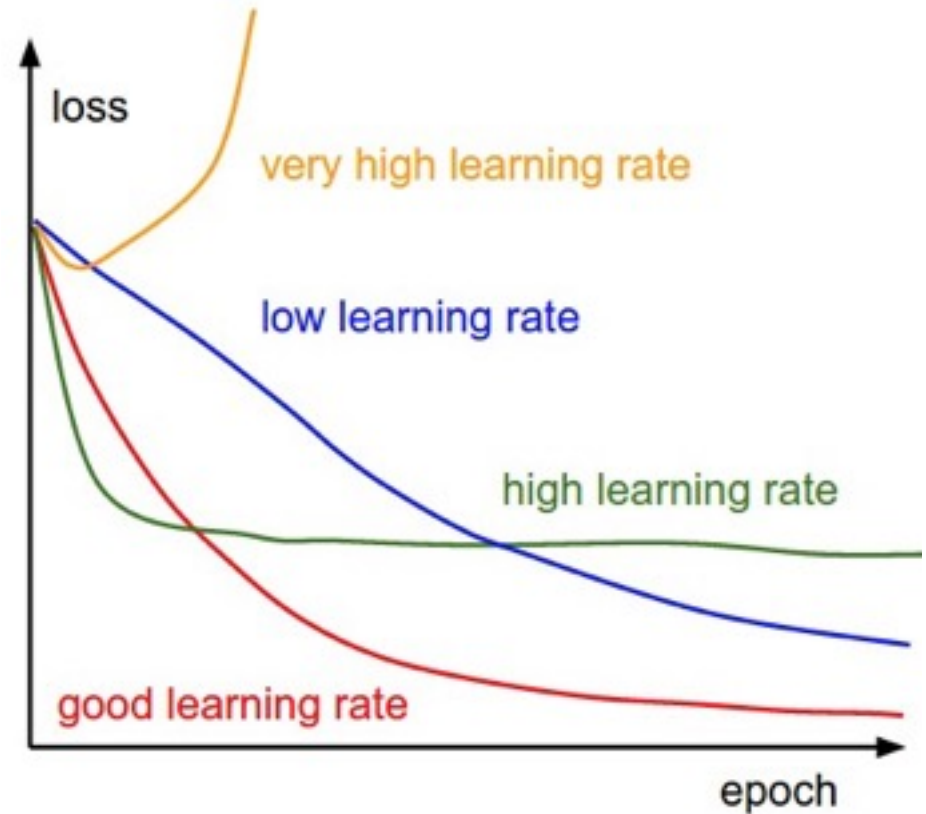
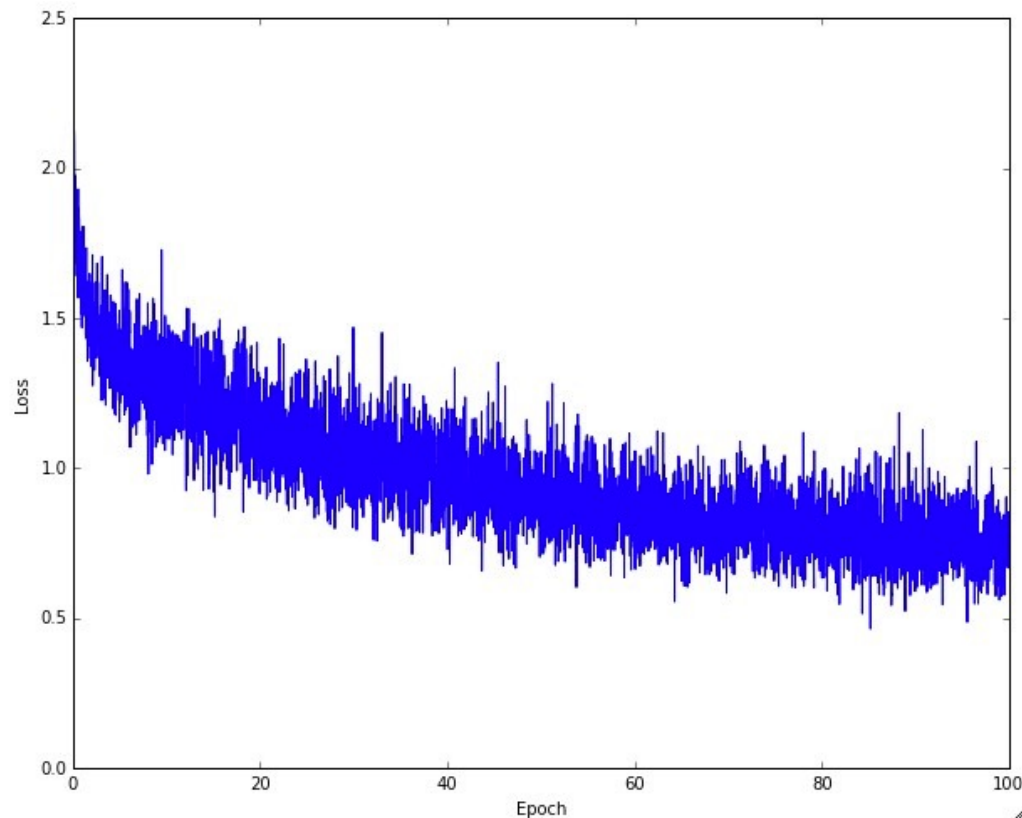
- **Intuition:** RMSProp with momentum
- Most commonly used optimizer





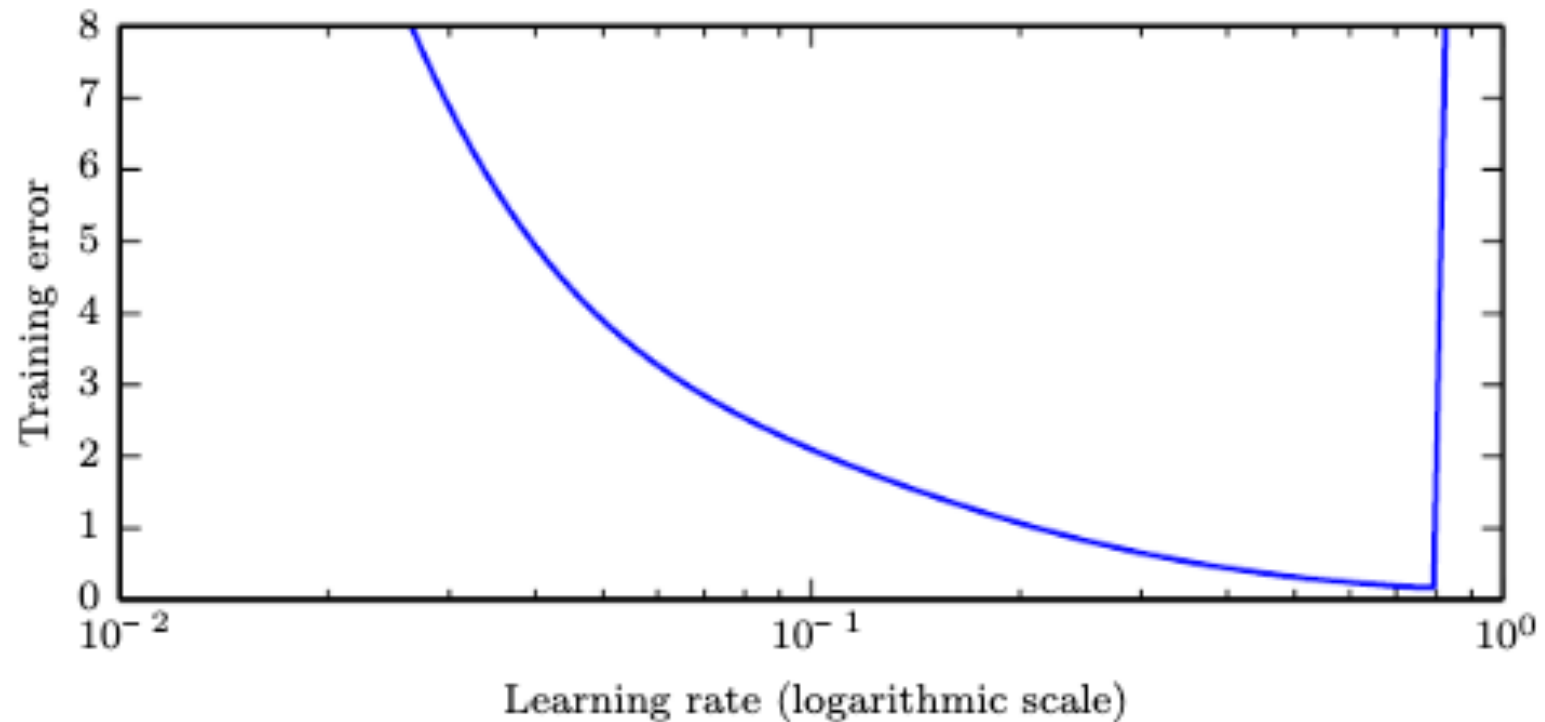
Learning Rate

- Most important hyperparameter; tune by looking at training loss



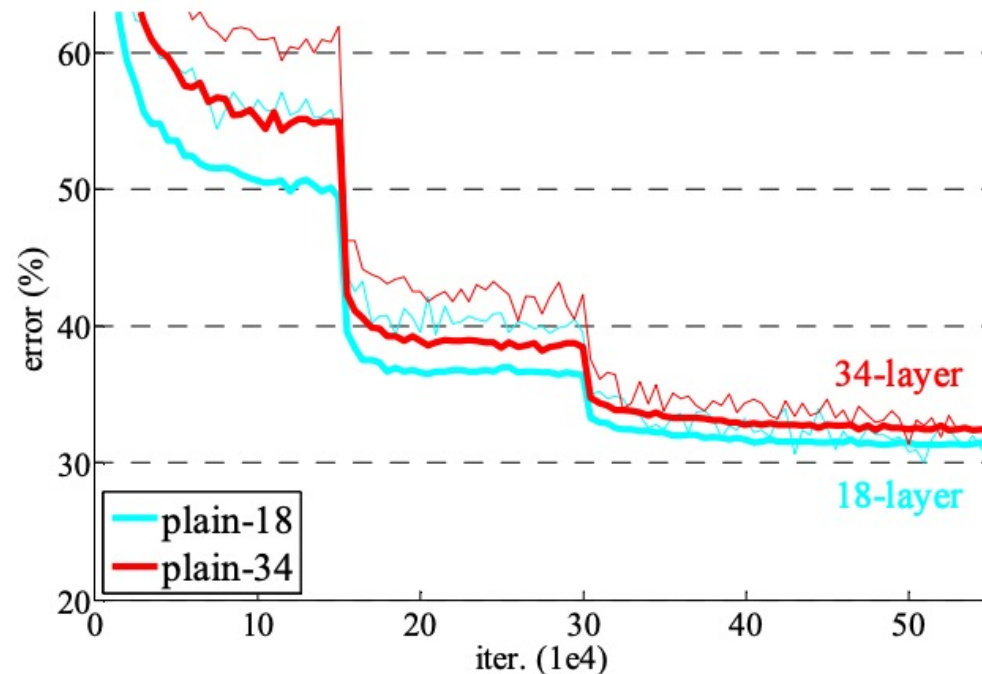
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- Learning rate vs. training error:



Learning Rate

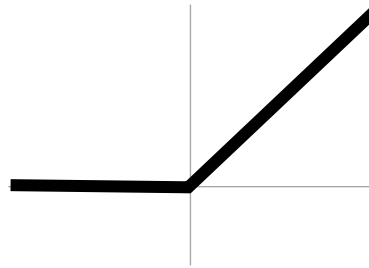
- **Schedules:** Reducing the learning rate every time the validation loss stagnates can be very effective for training



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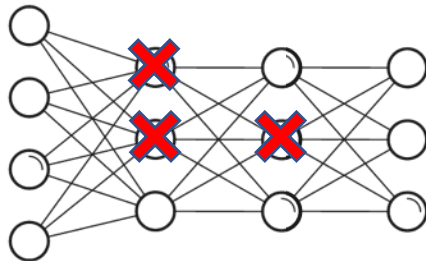
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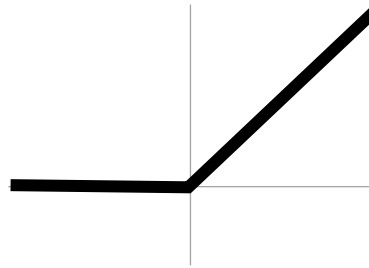


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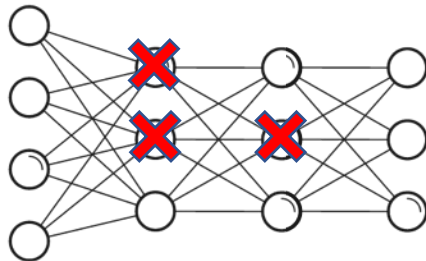
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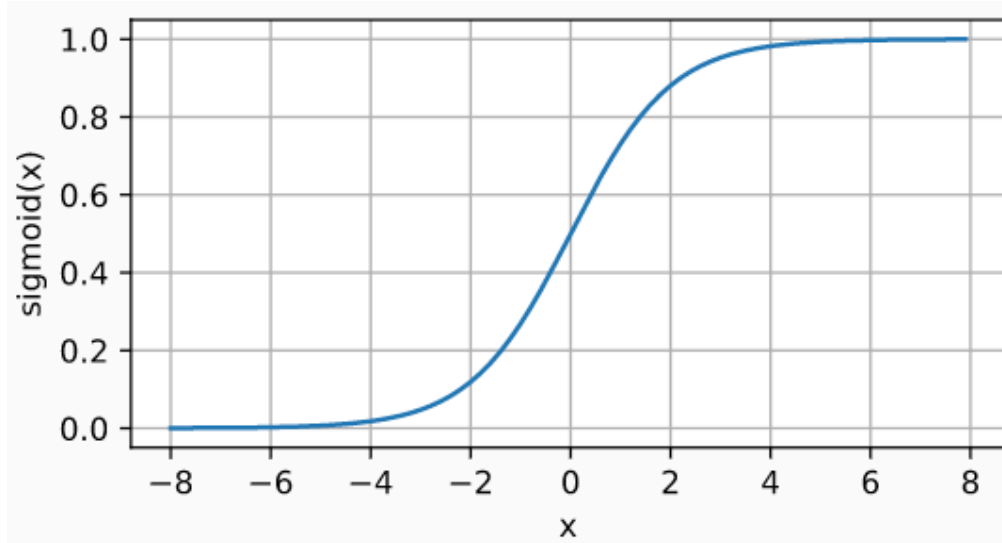


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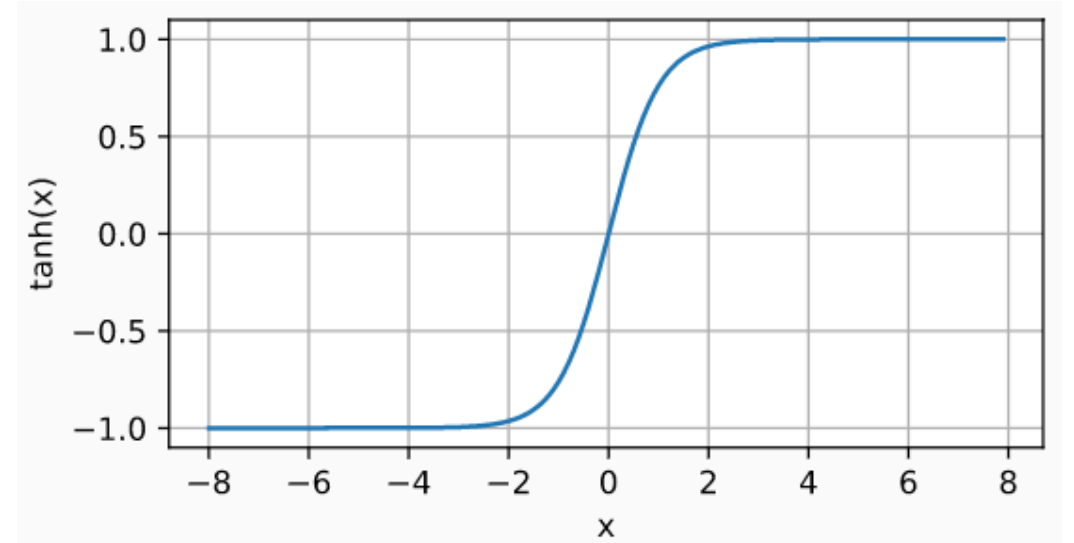


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Historical Activation Functions



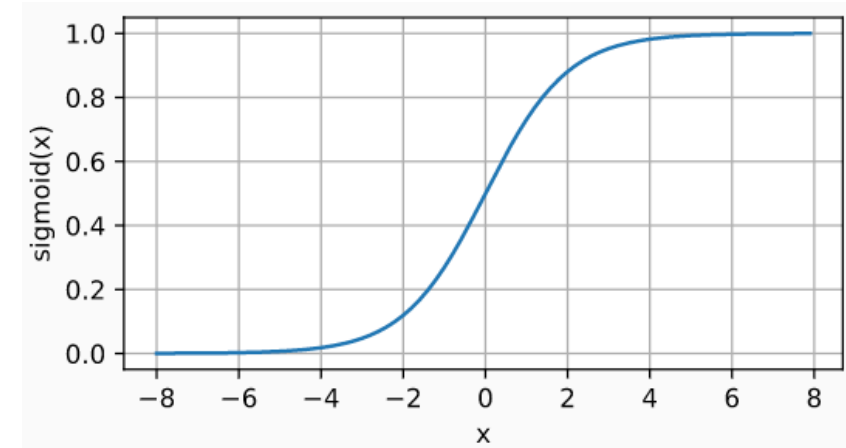
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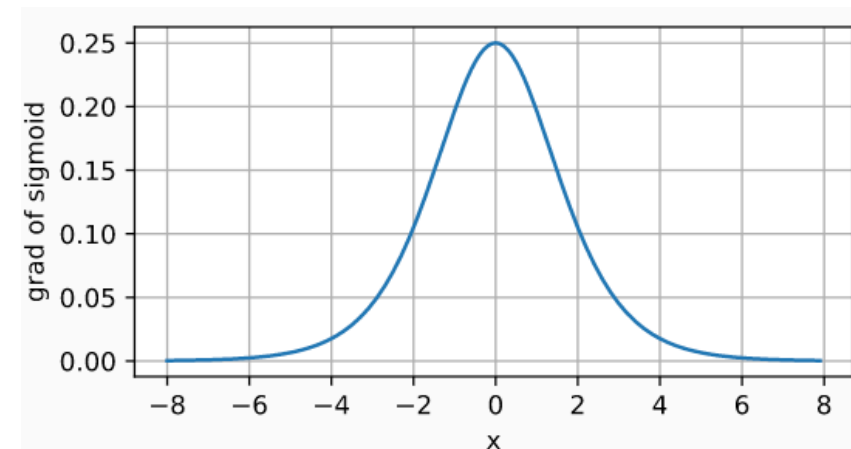
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Vanishing Gradient Problem

- The gradient of the sigmoid function is often nearly zero
- **Recall:** In backpropagation, gradients are products of $\partial_z g(z^{(j)})$
- **Quickly multiply to zero!**
 - Early layers update very slowly



sigmoid



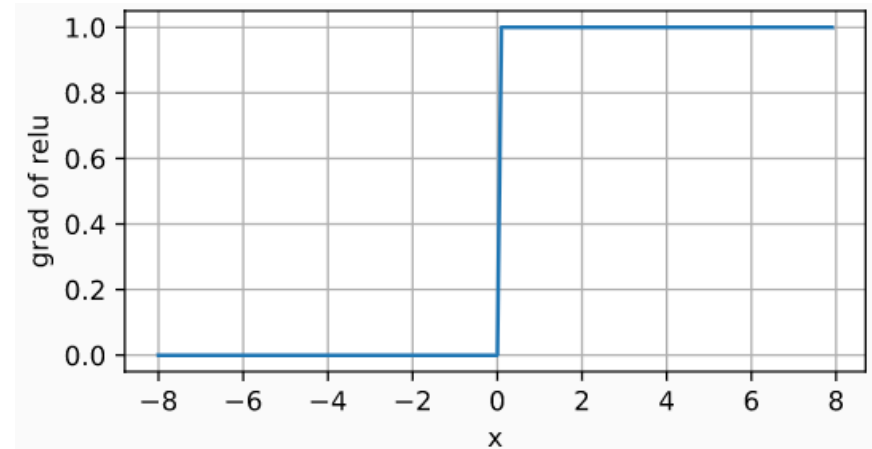
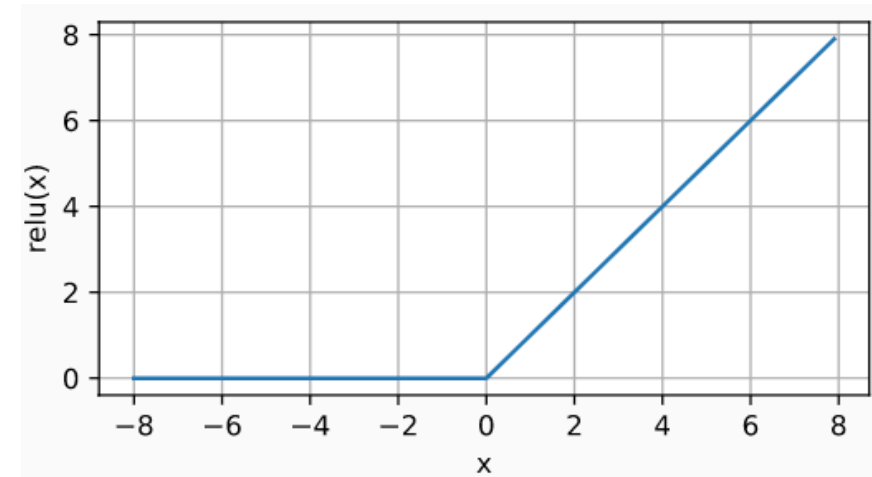
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ReLU Activation

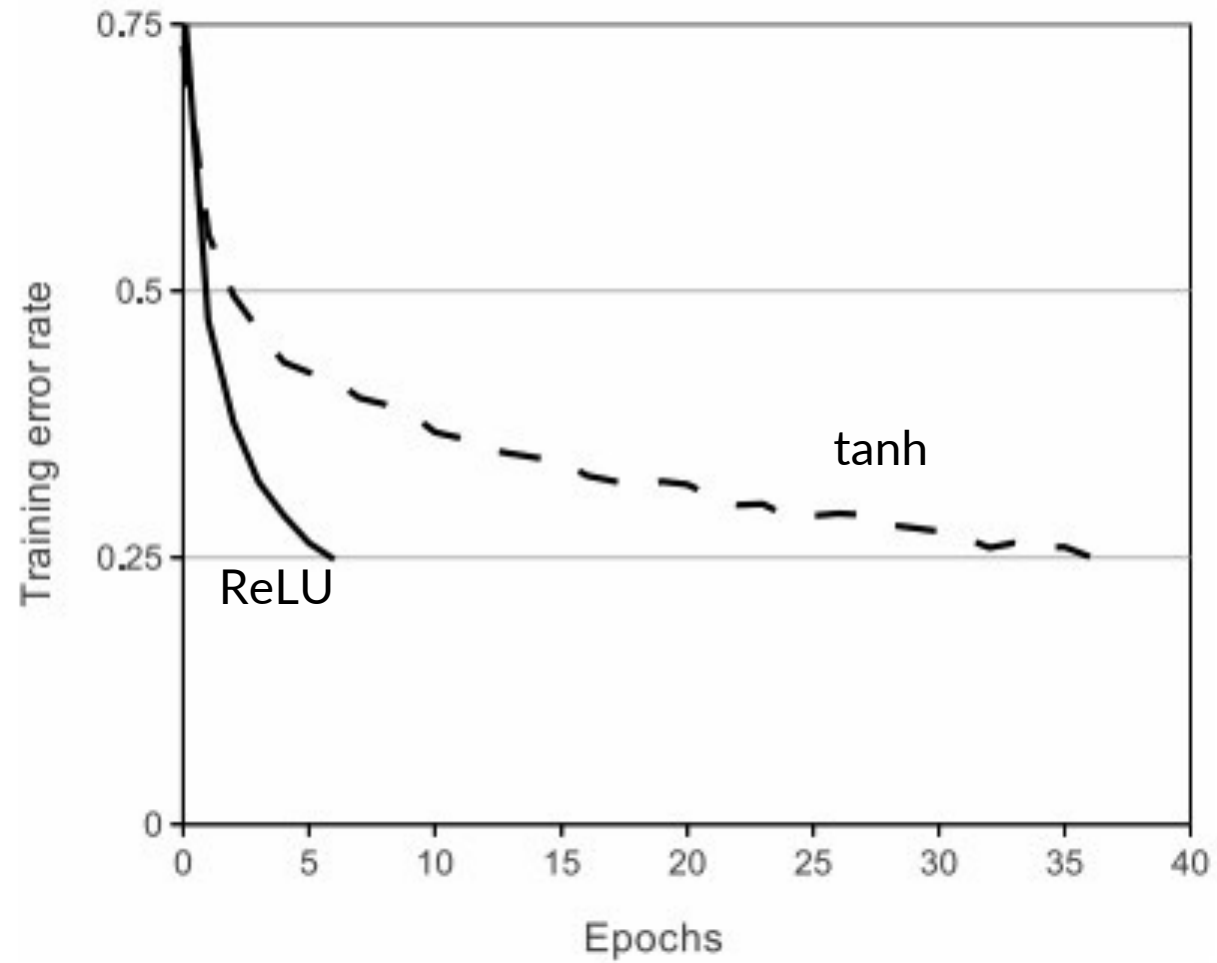
- Activation function

$$g(z) = \max\{0, z\}$$

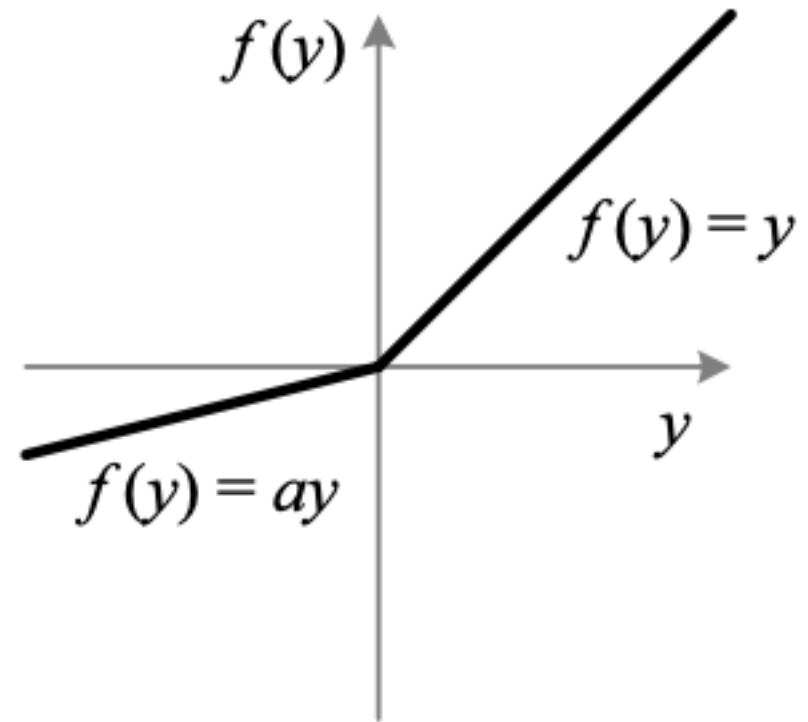
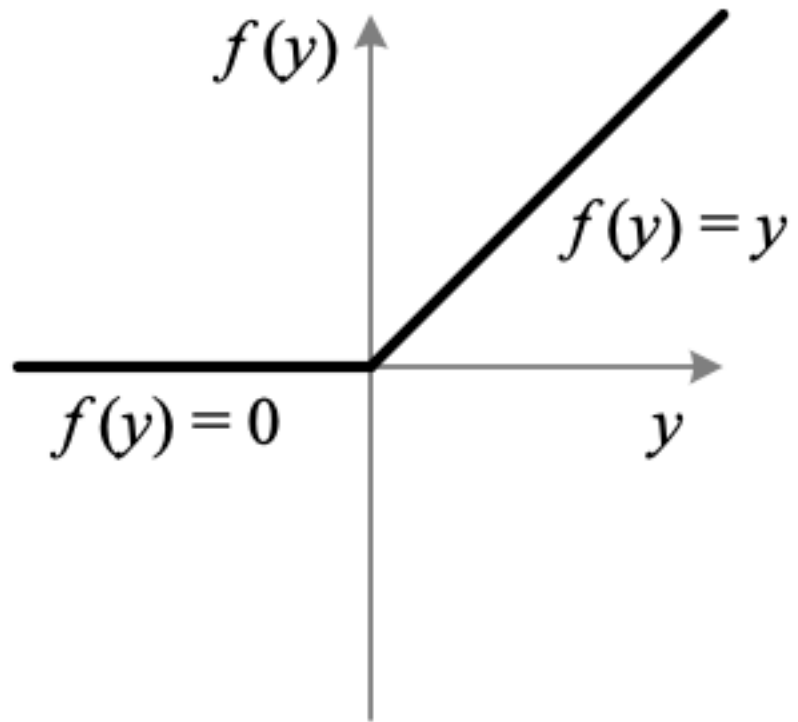
- Gradient now positive on the entire region $z \geq 0$
- Significant performance gains for deep neural networks



ReLU Activation



PRReLU Activation



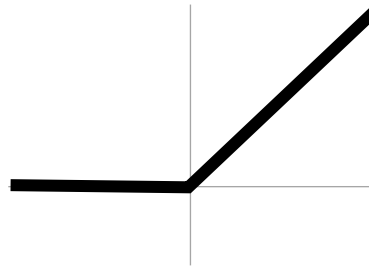
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- ReLU is a good standard choice
- Tradeoffs exist, and new activation functions are still being proposed

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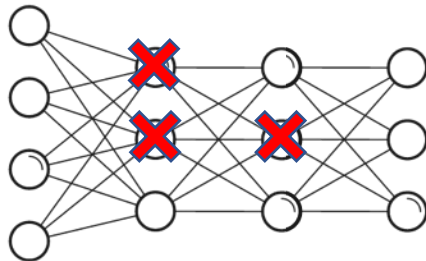
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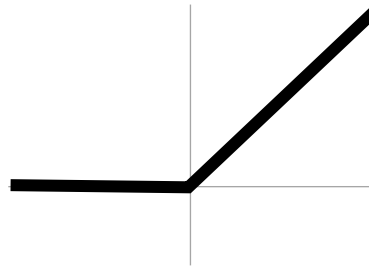


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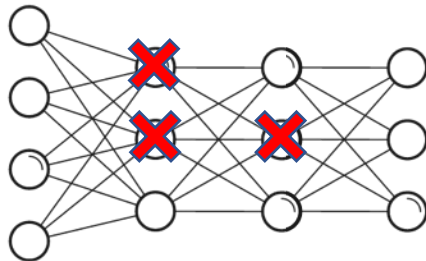
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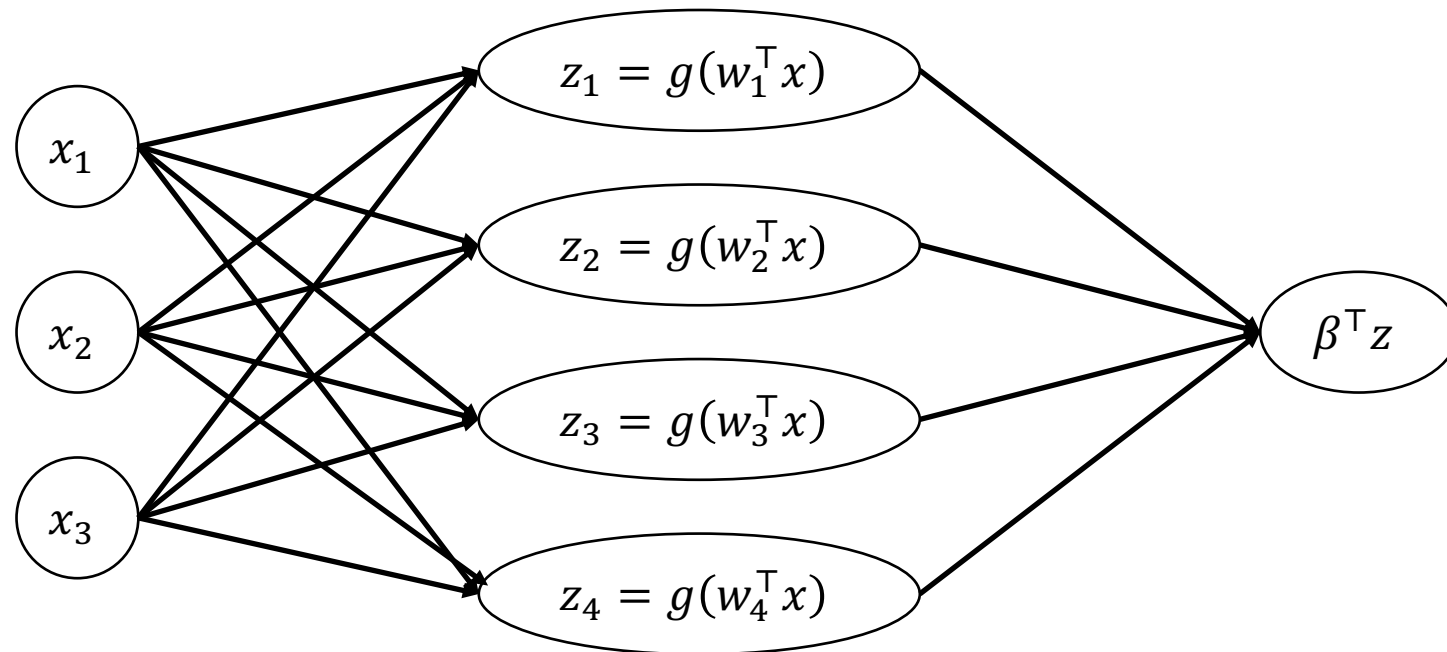
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Weight Initialization

- **Zero initialization: Very bad choice!**
 - All neurons $z_i = g(w_i^\top x)$ in a given layer remain identical
 - **Intuition:** They start out equal, so their gradients are equal!



Weight Initialization

- Long history of initialization tricks for W_j based on “fan in” d_{in}
 - Here, d_{in} is the dimension of the input of layer W_j
 - **Intuition:** Keep initial layer inputs $z^{(j)}$ in the “linear” part of sigmoid
 - **Note:** Initialize intercept term to 0
- **Kaiming initialization (also called “He initialization”)**
 - For ReLU activations, use $W_j \sim N\left(0, \frac{2}{d_{\text{in}}}\right)$
- **Xavier initialization**
 - For tanh activations, use $W_j \sim N\left(0, \frac{1}{d_{\text{in}}+d_{\text{out}}}\right)$ (d_{out} is output dimension)

Batch Normalization

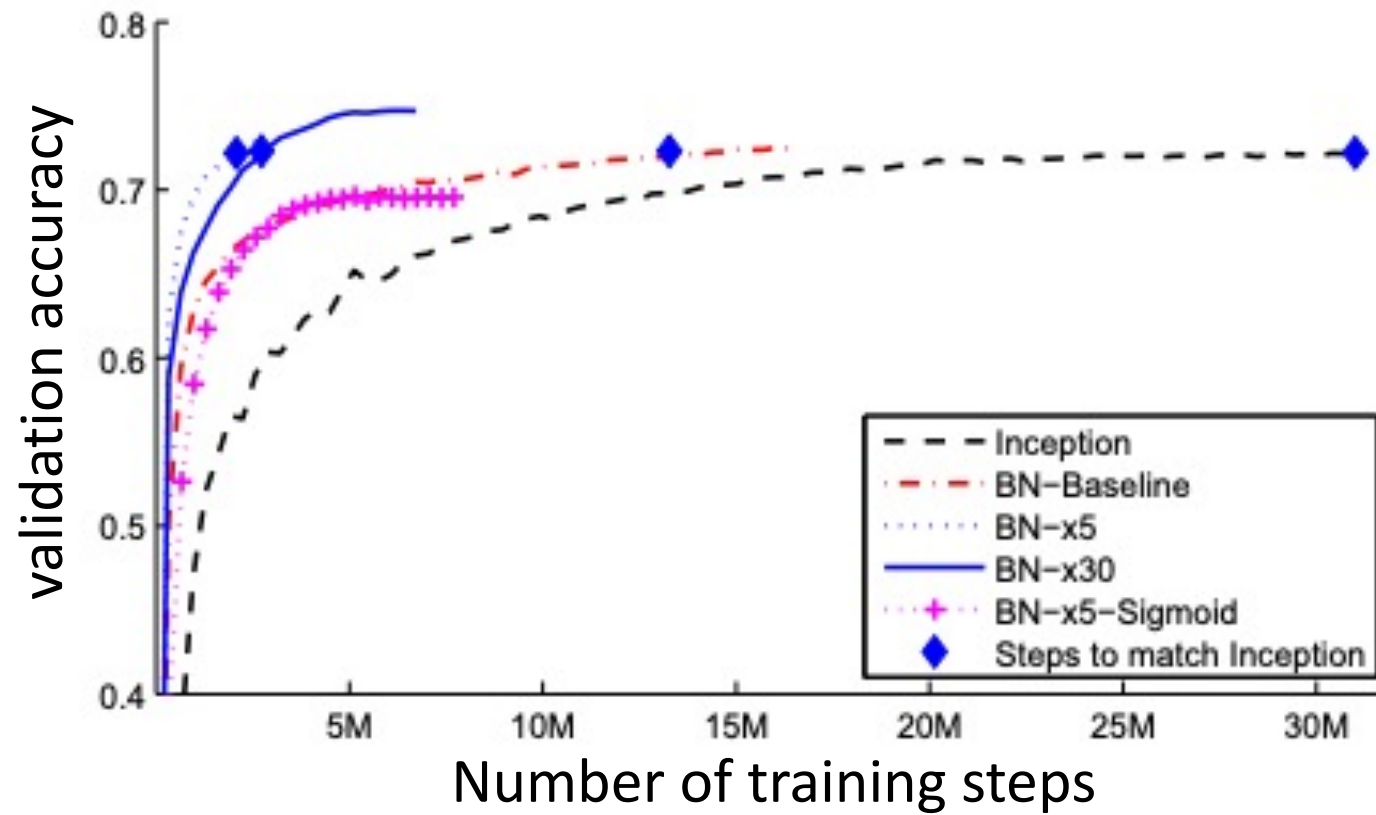
- **Problem**

- During learning, the distribution of inputs to each layer are shifting (since the layers below are also updating)
- This “covariate shift” slows down learning

- **Solution**

- As with feature standardization, standardize inputs to each layer to $N(0, I)$
- **Batch norm:** Compute mean and standard deviation of current minibatch and use it to normalize the current layer $z^{(j)}$ (this is differentiable!)
- **Note:** Needs nontrivial mini-batches or will divide by zero
- Apply after every layer (before or after activation; after can work better)

Batch Normalization



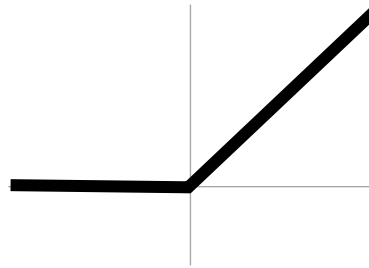
Regularization

- Can use L_1 and L_2 regularization as before
 - As before, do not regularize any of the intercept terms!
 - L_2 regularization more common
- Applied to “unrolled” weight matrices
 - Equivalently, Frobenius norm $\|W_j\|_F = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{i'=1}^h W_{i,i'}^2$

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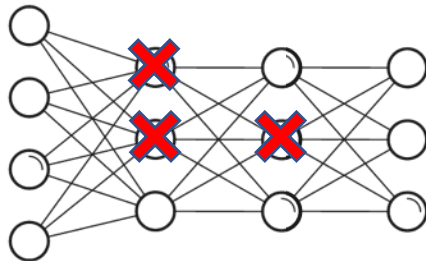
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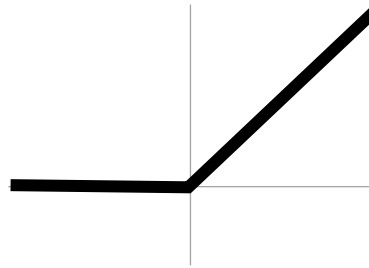


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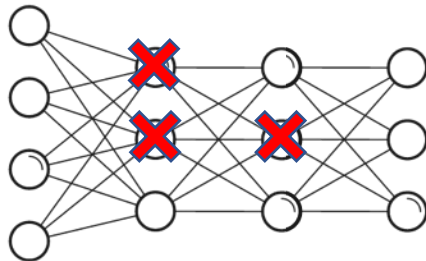
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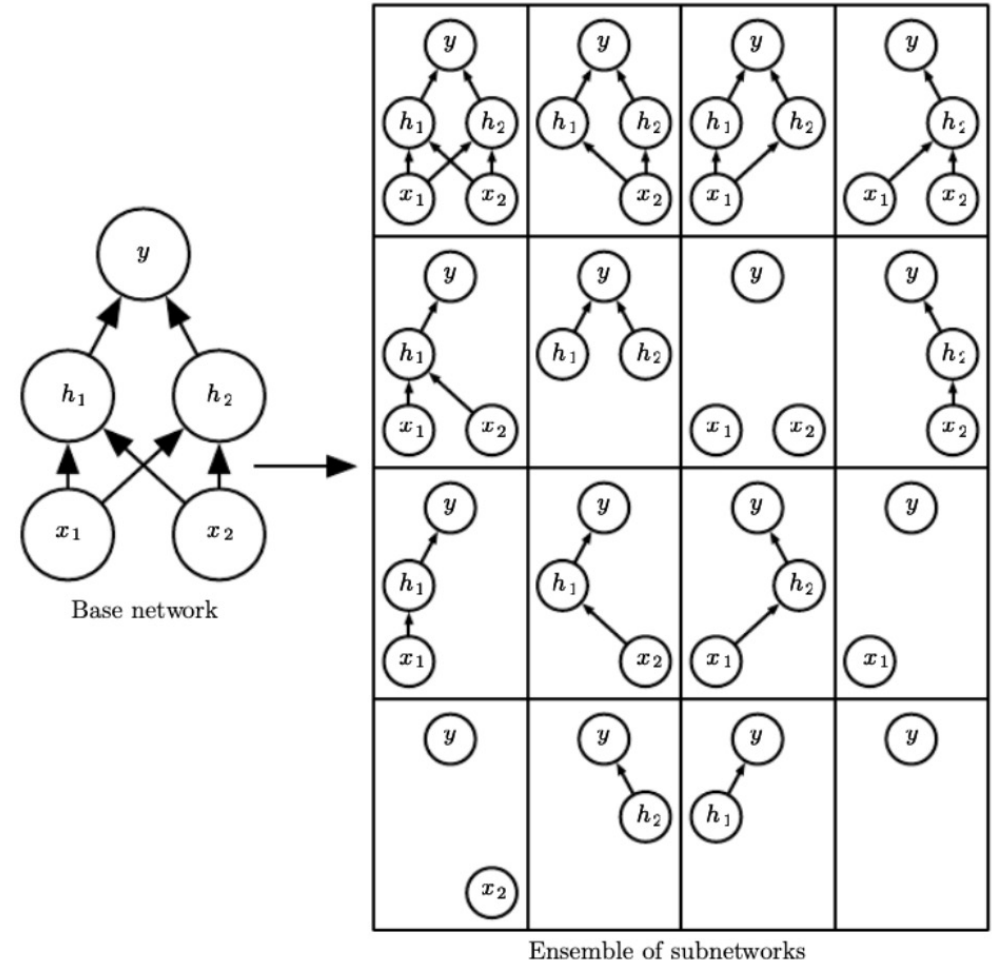
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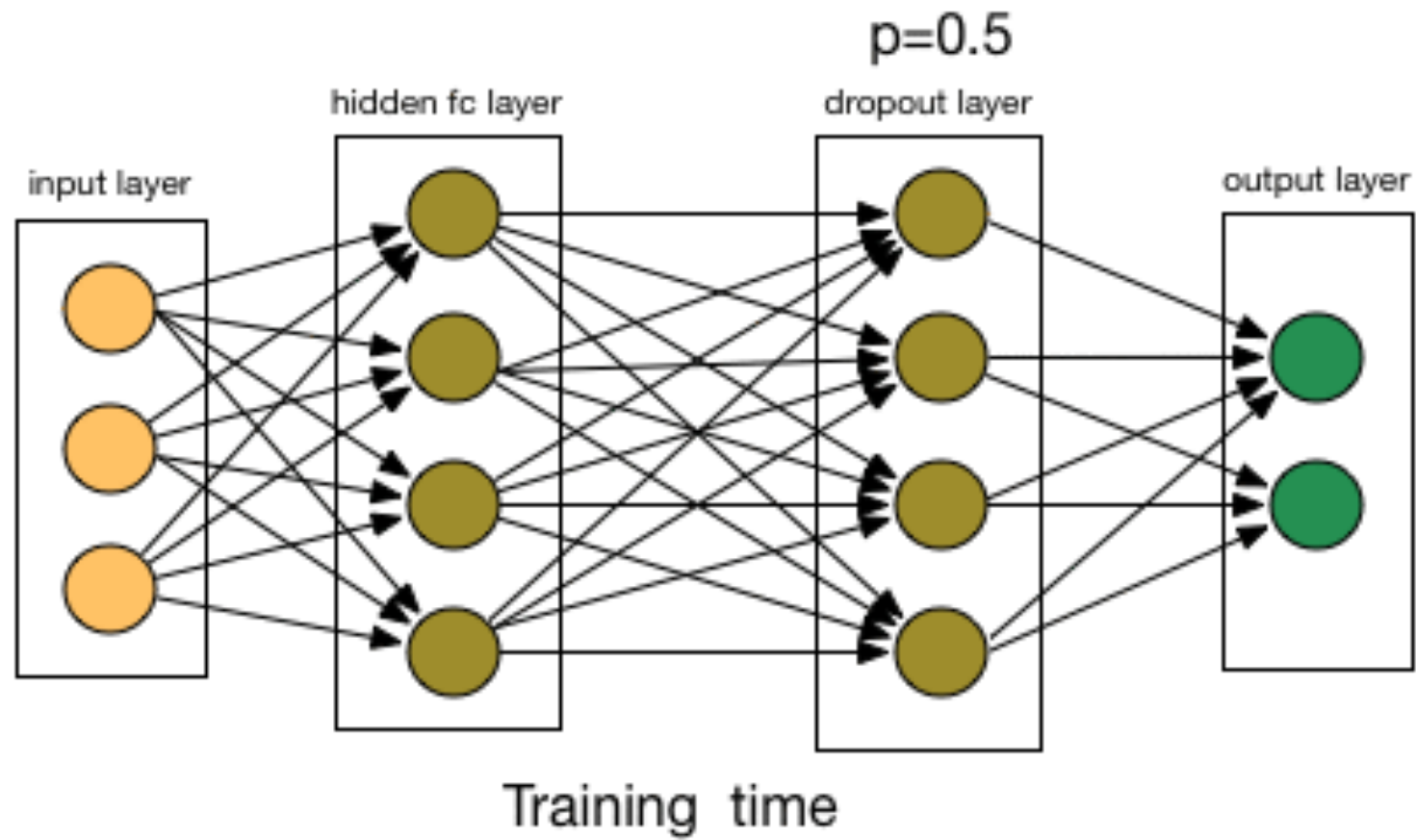
- **Idea:** During training, randomly “drop” (i.e., zero out) a fraction p of the neurons $z_i^{(j)}$ (usually take $p = \frac{1}{2}$)
- Implemented as its own layer

$$\text{Dropout}(z) = \begin{cases} z & \text{with prob. } p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Usually include it at a few layers just before the output layer



Dropout



Dropout

- **Intuition:** A form of regularization
 - Encourages robustness to missing information from the previous layer
 - Each neuron works with many different kinds of inputs
 - Makes them more likely to be individually competent
- **Connection to ensembles**
 - Each training iteration is training a slightly different network, selected at random out of $2^{\text{\#neurons}}$ networks!
 - Since the networks share weights, training one network updates others

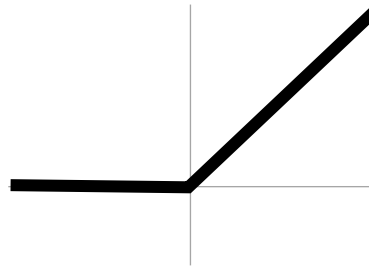
Dropout at Test Time

- **Naïve strategy:** Stop dropping neurons
 - **Problem:** Not the distribution the layer was trained on (covariate shift)!
- **Naïve strategy:** Average across all possible predictions
 - **Problem:** There are $2^{\text{\#neurons}}$ possible realizations of the randomness
- **Solution:** Turn off dropout but divide the outgoing weights by 2
 - Good approximation of the geometric mean of all $2^{\text{\#neurons}}$ predictions
- **Note:** Can also leave dropout on, sample multiple realizations of the randomness, and report distribution to help quantify uncertainty

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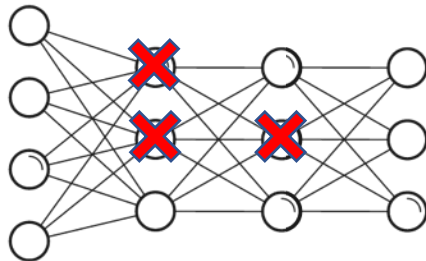
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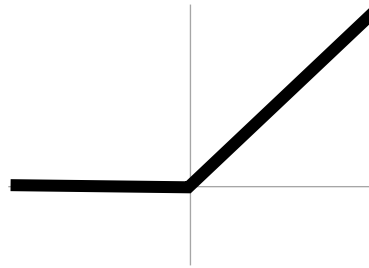


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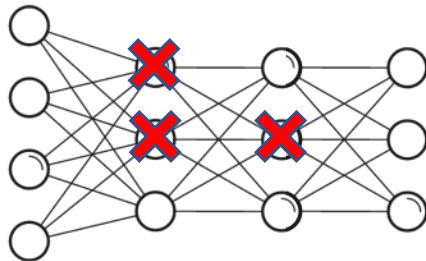
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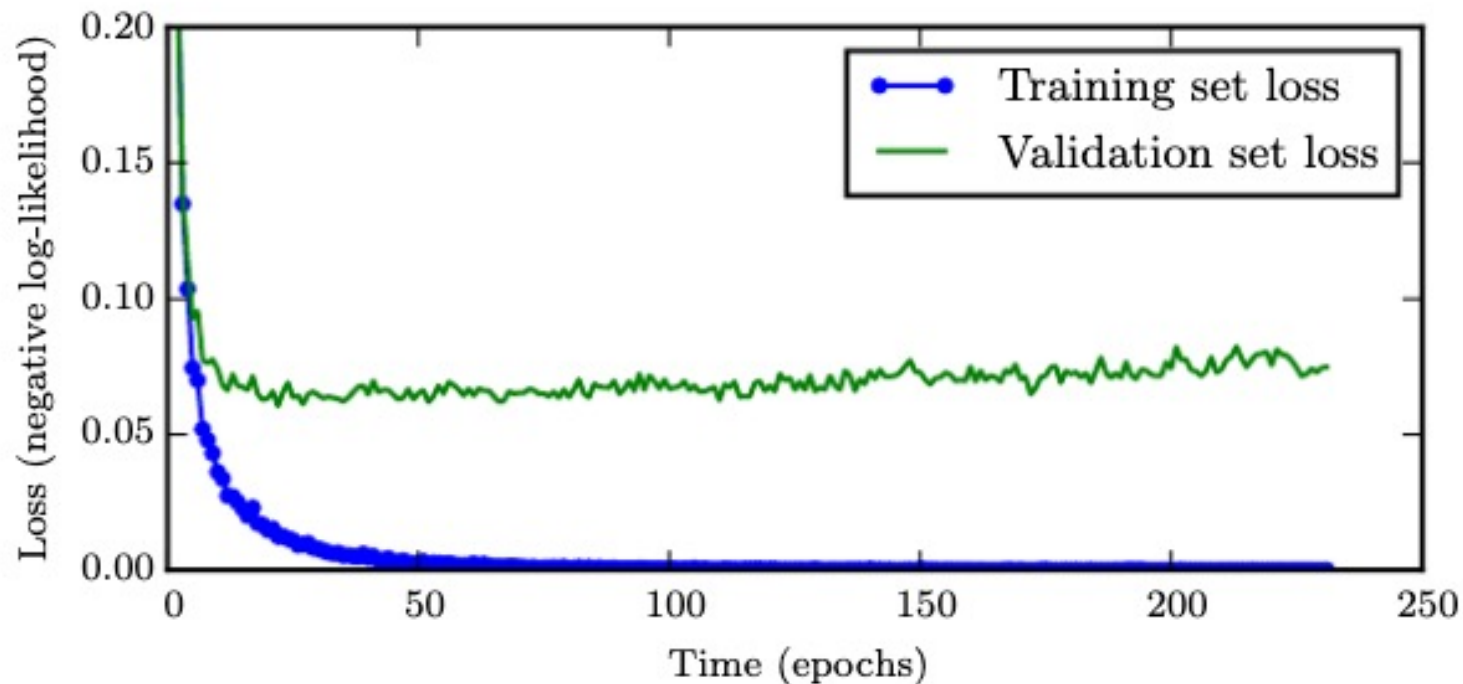
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Managing Training

Early Stopping

- Stop when your validation loss starts increasing (alternatively, finish training and choose best model on validation set)
 - Simple way to introduce regularization



Data Augmentation

- **Data augmentation:** Generate more data by modifying training inputs
- Often used when you know that your output is robust to some transformations of your data
 - **Image domain:** Color shifts, add noise, rotations, translations, flips, crops
 - **NLP domain:** Substitute synonyms, generate examples (doesn't work as well but ongoing research direction)
 - Can combine primitive shifts
- **Note:** Labels are simply the label of original image

Data Augmentation



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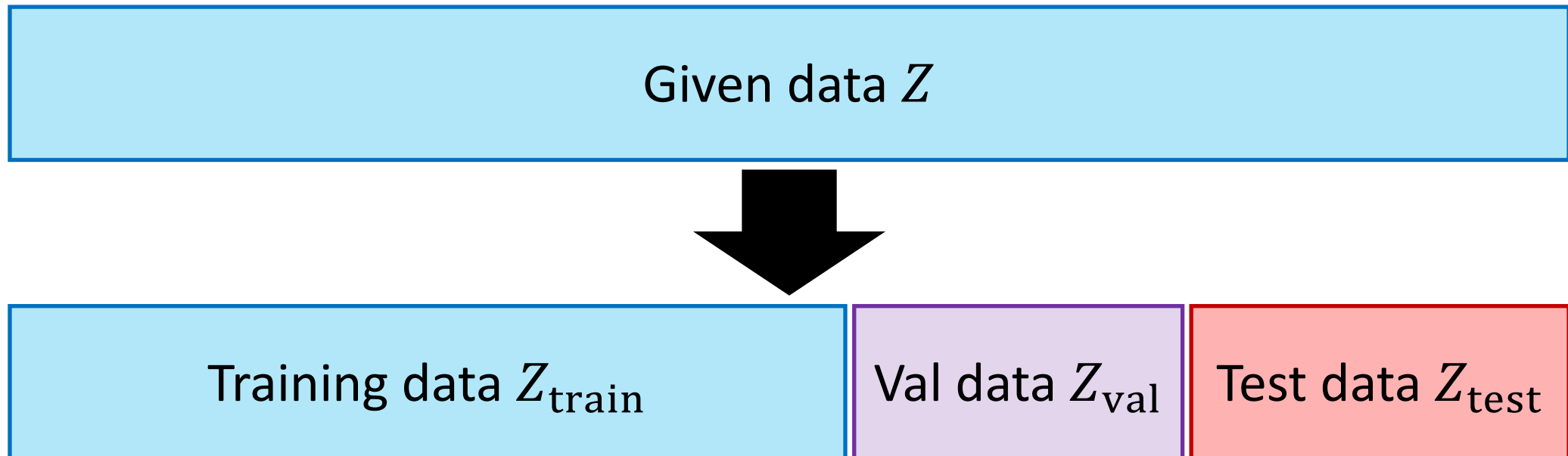
- **Recap**
- **Neural network tips and tricks**
- **Hyperparameter tuning**
- **Implementation**

Hyperparameter Choices

- **Architecture:** Stick close to tried-and-tested architectures (esp. for images)
- **SGD variant:** Adam, second choice SGD + 0.9 momentum
- **Learning rate:** $3e-4$ (Adam), $1e-4$ (for SGD + momentum)
- **Learning rate schedule:** Divide by 10 every time training loss stagnates
- **Weight initialization:** “Kaiming” initialization (scaled Gaussian)
- **Activation functions:** ReLU
- **Regularization:** BatchNorm (& cousins), L2 regularization + Dropout on some or all fully connected layers
- **Hyperparameter Optimization:** Random sampling (often uniform on log scale), coarse to fine

Hyperparameter Optimization

- **Recall:** Use cross-validation to tune hyperparameters!
 - Typically use one held-out validation set for computational tractability
 - E.g., 60/20/20 split
 - Can use smaller validation/test sets if you have a very large dataset



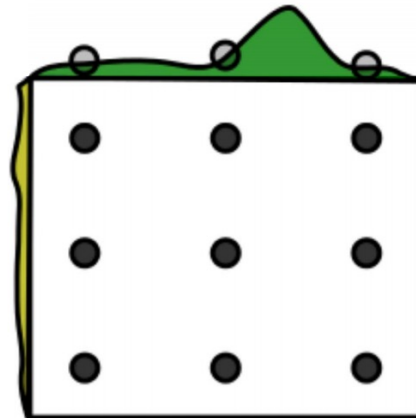
Hyperparameter Optimization Tips

- Keep the number of hyperparameters as small as possible
 - **Most important:** Learning rate
- **Strategy:** Automatically search over grid of hyperparameters and choose the best one on the validation set
 - Easy to parallelize across many machines
 - Record hyperparameters of all runs carefully!
 - Use the same random seeds for all runs

Hyperparameter Optimization Tips

- **What about multiple hyperparameters?**
 - For 2 or 3 hyperparameters, do a systematic “grid search”

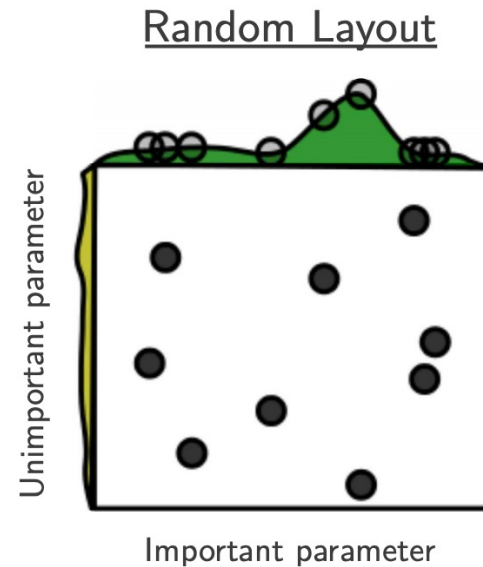
Grid Layout



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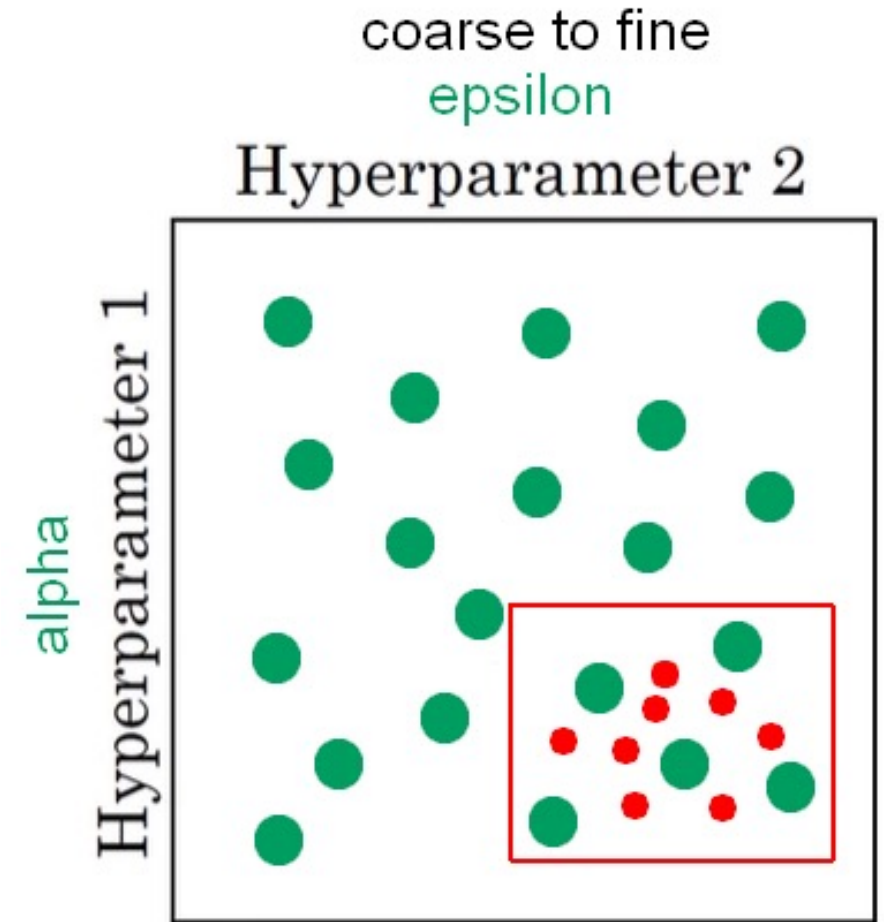
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Hyperparameter Optimization Tips

- **Coarse-to-find search**
 - Iteratively search over a window of hyperparameters
 - If the best results are near the boundary, center it on best hyperparameters
 - Otherwise, set a smaller window centered on the best hyperparameters
- **Bayesian optimization:** ML-guided search across hyperparameter trials to find good choices



More Practical Tips

- **Andrej Karpathy's blog post:**

- <http://karpathy.github.io/2019/04/25/recipe>
- Fix random seed during debugging
- Overfit a tiny dataset first
- With everything (architecture, learning algorithm, data etc.), start simple and build complexity slowly over iterations
- Plot weight and gradient magnitudes to detect vanishing/exploding gradients

- **Additional reading:**

- Chapter 11 of the Deep Learning textbook: "Practical Methodology"
- <https://www.deeplearningbook.org/contents/guidelines.html>

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Pytorch

- Open source packages have helped democratize deep learning

Pytorch

```
1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3 import torch.nn.functional as F
4 import torch.optim as optim
5 from torchvision import datasets, transforms
```

Common parent class: nn.Module

Constructor: Defining layers of the network

```
8 class Net(nn.Module):
9     def __init__(self, in_features=10, num_classes=2, hidden_features=20):
10         super(Net, self).__init__()
11         self.fc1 = nn.Linear(in_features, hidden_features)
12         self.fc2 = nn.Linear(hidden_features, num_classes)
13
14     def forward(self, x):
15         x1 = self.fc1(x)
16         x2 = F.relu(x1)
17         x3 = self.fc2(x2)
18         log_prob = F.log_softmax(x3, dim=1)
19
20     return log_prob
```

Forward propagation

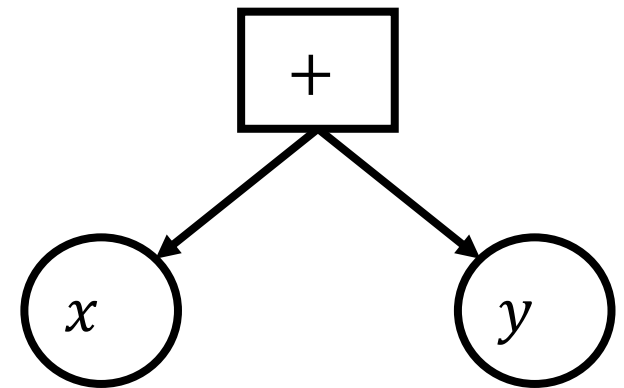
What about backward propagation?

Pytorch

- Open source packages have helped democratize deep learning
- Backpropagation implemented for all neural network architectures
 - Most modern libraries, including Tensorflow, Mxnet, Caffe, Pytorch, and Jax
 - Only need gradients of new layers
- **Basic Idea:** Provide model family as sequence of functions $[f_1, \dots, f_m]$
 - What about more general compositions?
 - **Solution:** Composition of functions can be represented as trees (but typically called graphs)!

Computation Graphs

- The **tensor** datatype represents a **computation graph**
 - **Not just a numpy array!**
 - Instead, performing the computation produces a numpy array
- **Example:**
 - Suppose x is tensor that evaluates to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
 - Suppose y is a tensor evaluates to $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
 - Then, $x + y$ is a tensor that evaluates to $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

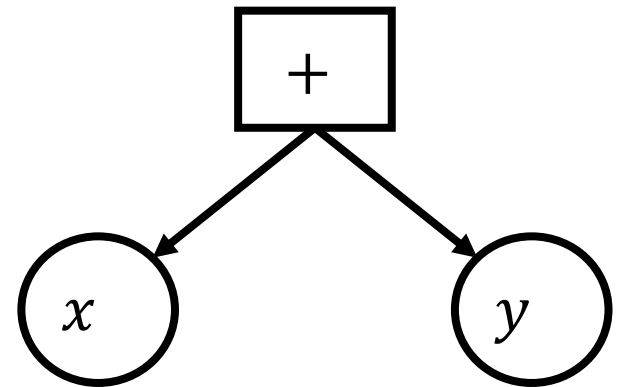


Toy Implementation of Computation Graphs

```
class Constant(tensor):  
    def __init__(self, val):  
        self.val = val  
  
    def backpropagate(self):  
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```
x = Constant(np.array([[1, 0], [0, 1]]))  
y = Constant(np.array([[1, 1], [1, 0]]))  
z = x + y  # z has type Add
```

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class Add(tensor):  
    def __init__(self, t1, t2):  
        self.t1 = t1  
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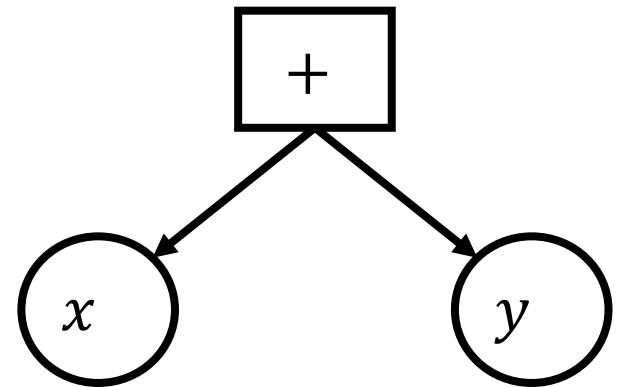


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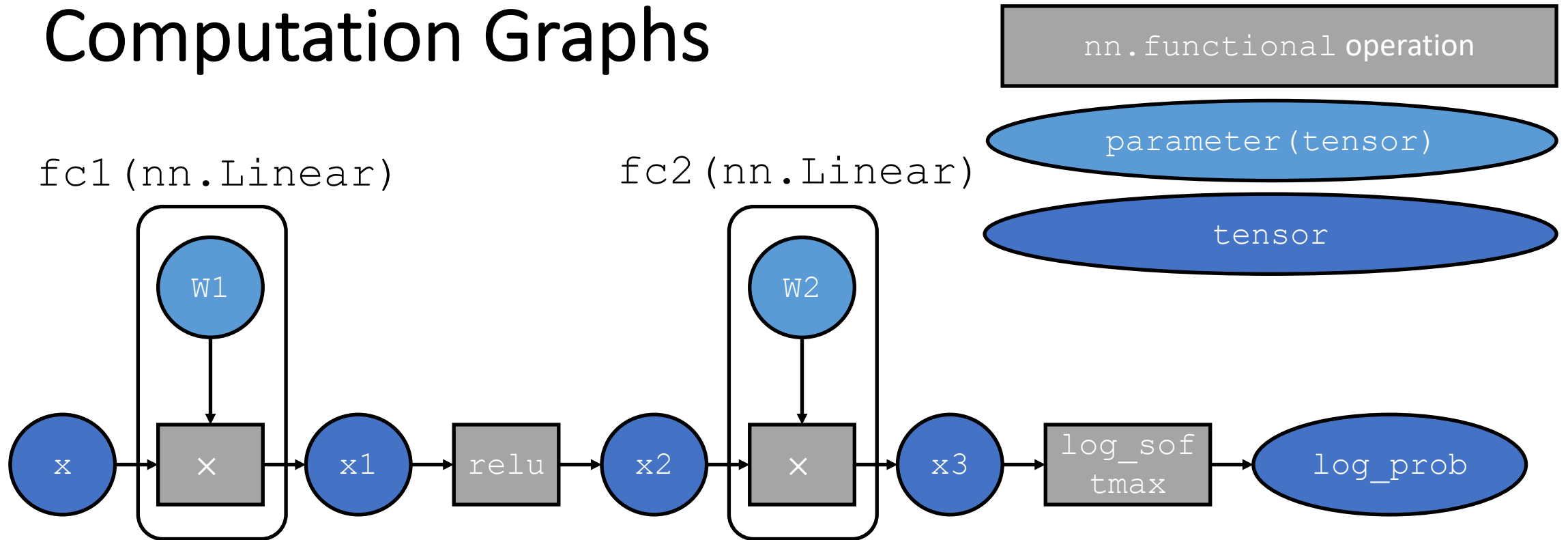
Computation Graphs

- Layers are implemented as tensors
 - **Examples:** addition, multiplication, ReLU, sigmoid, softmax, matrix multiplication/linear layers, MSE, logistic NLL, concatenation, etc.
 - You can also implement your own by providing forward pass and derivatives
- Tensors can be composed together to form neural networks

Computation Graphs

- **Forward propagation:** Values are evaluated as they are constructed
- **Backpropagation:** Automatically compute derivative of scalar with respect to all parameters based on derivatives of layers
 - `x.backward()`
 - Does not perform any gradient updates!

Computation Graphs



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Pytorch Training Loop

```
22 def train(args, model, device, train_loader, optimizer, epoch):
23     model.train()
24     for batch_idx, (data, target) in enumerate(train_loader):
25         data, target = data.to(device), target.to(device)
26         optimizer.zero_grad()
27         output = model(data)
28         loss = F.nll_loss(output, target)
29         loss.backward()
30         optimizer.step()
31     if batch_idx % args.log_interval == 0:
32         print('Train Epoch: {} [{}/{} ({:.0f}%)]\tLoss: {:.6f}'.format(
33             epoch, batch_idx * len(data), len(train_loader.dataset),
34             100. * batch_idx / len(train_loader), loss.item()))
```

Looping over mini-batches

Zero out all old gradients

Runs forward pass `model.forward(data)`

Loss computation

Backpropagation

Gradient step

Pytorch Training Loop

```
83 def main():
84     torch.manual_seed(1)
85     device = torch.device("cuda")
86     train_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader( Load dataset
87         datasets.MNIST('../data', train=True, download=True,
88             transform=transforms.Compose([
89                 transforms.ToTensor(),
90                 transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,))
91             ])),
92         batch_size=64, shuffle=True)
93
94     model = Net().to(device)
95     optimizer = optim.Adam(model.parameters(), lr=1e-4)
96     scheduler = optim.lr_scheduler.StepLR(optimizer, step_size=1, gamma=0.9)
97     Loop over epochs (full passes over data)
98     for epoch in range(1, 15):
99         Minibatch SGD for one epoch
100         train(model, device, train_loader, optimizer, epoch)
101         scheduler.step()
102         Update base learning rate
```

Pytorch Model

- To use your model (once it has been trained):

```
label = model(input)
```