

Lecture 19: Training CNNs, part 2

COS 429: Computer Vision



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Gradient checking:

- Numerical gradient: approximate, slow, easy to write
- Analytic gradient: exact, fast, error-prone

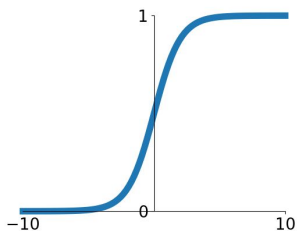
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In practice: Always use analytic gradient, but check implementation with numerical gradient. This is called a **gradient check**.

Reminder: Activation functions

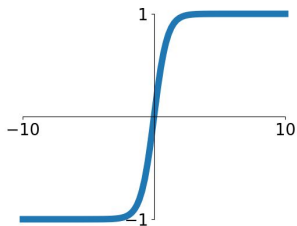
Sigmoid

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$$



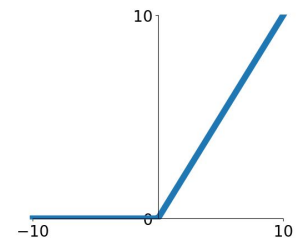
tanh

$$\tanh(x)$$



ReLU

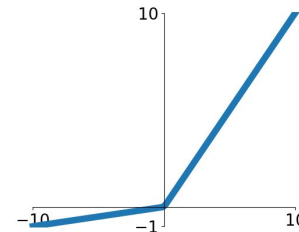
$$\max(0, x)$$



Good default choice

Leaky ReLU

$$\max(0.1x, x)$$

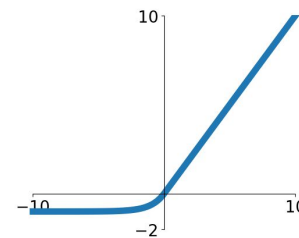


Maxout

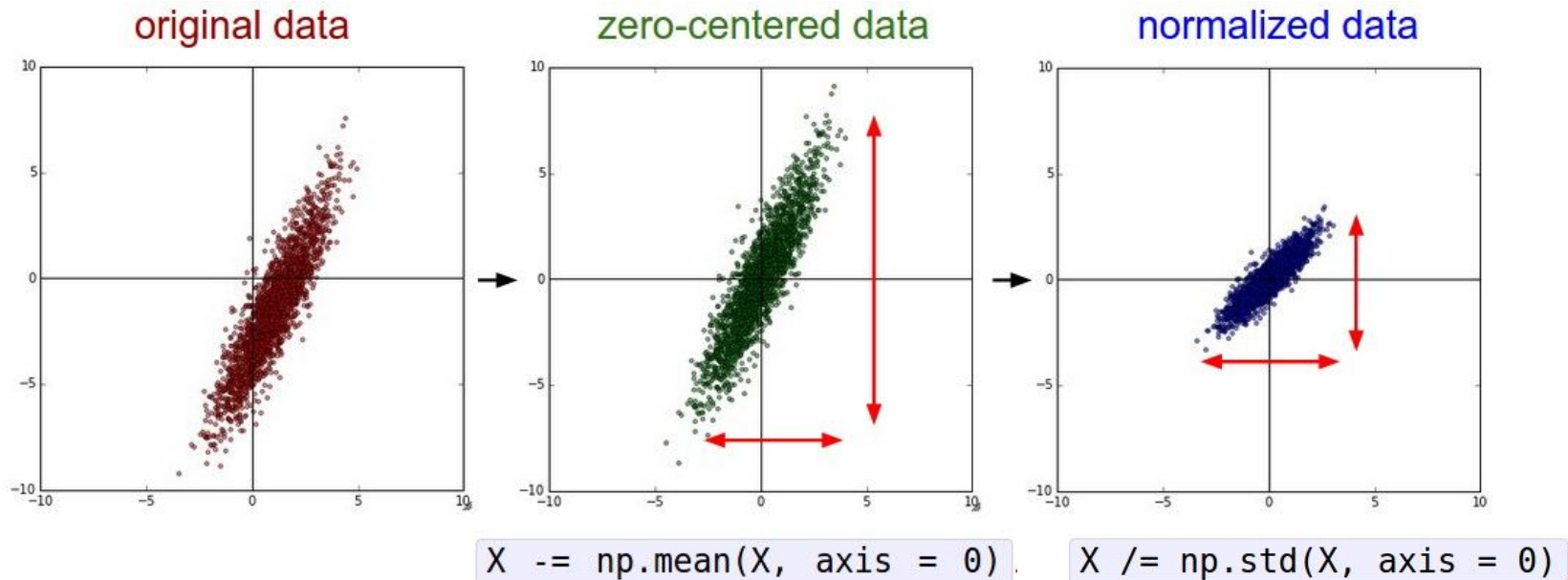
$$\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$$

ELU

$$\begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Before training: Preprocess the data



(Assume X [NxD] is data matrix,
each example in a row)

```

input layer had mean 0.001800 and std 1.001311
hidden layer 1 had mean 0.001198 and std 0.627953
hidden layer 2 had mean -0.000175 and std 0.486051
hidden layer 3 had mean 0.000055 and std 0.407723
hidden layer 4 had mean -0.000306 and std 0.357108
hidden layer 5 had mean 0.000142 and std 0.320917
hidden layer 6 had mean -0.000389 and std 0.292116
hidden layer 7 had mean -0.000228 and std 0.273387
hidden layer 8 had mean -0.000291 and std 0.254935
hidden layer 9 had mean 0.000361 and std 0.239266
hidden layer 10 had mean 0.000139 and std 0.228008

```

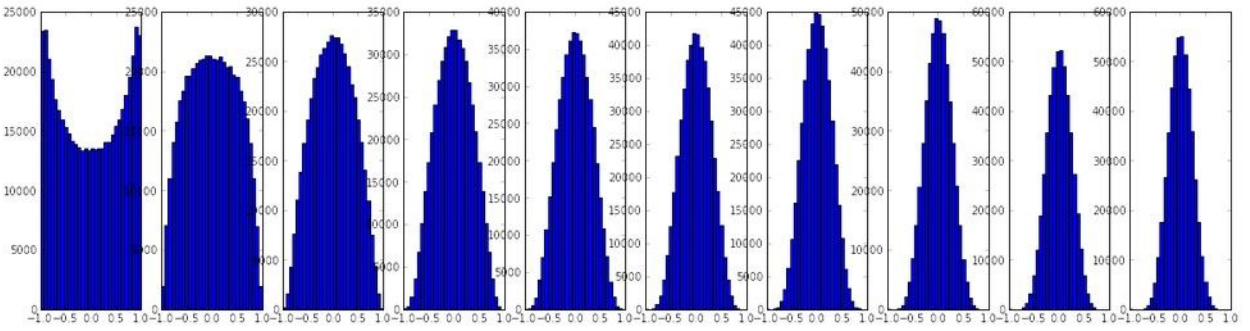
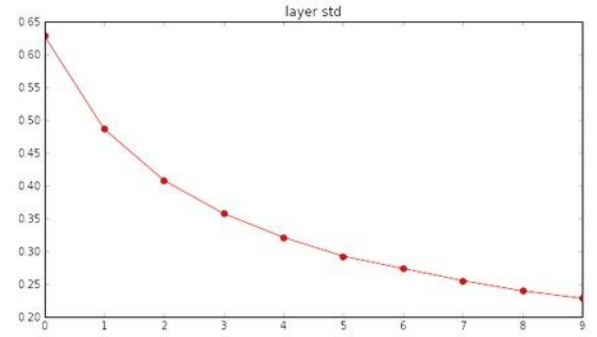
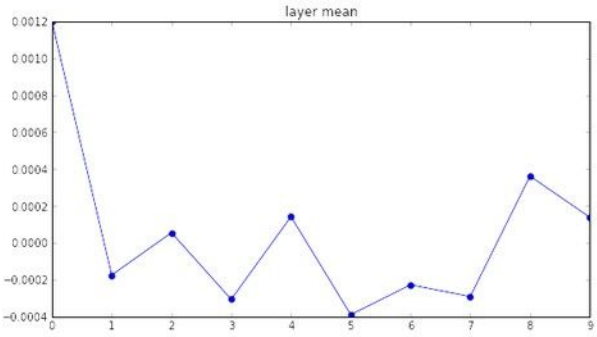
```

W = np.random.randn(fan_in, fan_out) / np.sqrt(fan_in) # layer initialization

```

“Xavier initialization”
 [Glorot et al., 2010]

Reasonable initialization.
 (Mathematical derivation
 assumes linear activations)



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Double check that the loss is reasonable:

```
def init_two_layer_model(input_size, hidden_size, output_size):  
    # initialize a model  
    model = {}  
    model['W1'] = 0.0001 * np.random.randn(input_size, hidden_size)  
    model['b1'] = np.zeros(hidden_size)  
    model['W2'] = 0.0001 * np.random.randn(hidden_size, output_size)  
    model['b2'] = np.zeros(output_size)  
    return model
```

```
model = init_two_layer_model(32*32*3, 50, 10) # input size, hidden size, number of classes  
loss, grad = two_layer_net(X_train, model, y_train, 0.0) # disable regularization  
print loss
```

2.30261216167

loss ~2.3.
"correct" for
10 classes

returns the loss and the
gradient for all parameters

Let's try to train now...

Tip: Make sure that you can overfit very small portion of the training data

Very small loss, train accuracy 1.00, nice!

```
model = init_two_layer_model(32*32*3, 50, 10) # input size, hidden size, number of classes
trainer = ClassifierTrainer()
X_tiny = X_train[:20] # take 20 examples
y_tiny = y_train[:20]
best_model, stats = trainer.train(X_tiny, y_tiny, X_tiny, y_tiny,
                                  model, two_layer_net,
                                  num_epochs=200, reg=0.0,
                                  update='sgd', learning_rate_decay=1,
                                  sample_batches = False,
                                  learning_rate=1e-3, verbose=True)
```

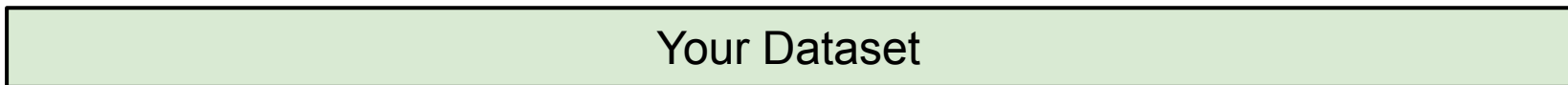
```
Finished epoch 1 / 200: cost 2.302603, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 2 / 200: cost 2.302258, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 3 / 200: cost 2.301849, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 4 / 200: cost 2.301196, train: 0.650000, val 0.650000, lr 1.000000e-03
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Finished epoch 8 / 200: cost 2.285096, train: 0.550000, val 0.550000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 9 / 200: cost 2.268094, train: 0.550000, val 0.550000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 10 / 200: cost 2.234787, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 11 / 200: cost 2.173187, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 12 / 200: cost 2.076862, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 13 / 200: cost 1.974090, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 14 / 200: cost 1.895885, train: 0.400000, val 0.400000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 15 / 200: cost 1.820876, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 16 / 200: cost 1.737430, train: 0.450000, val 0.450000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 17 / 200: cost 1.642356, train: 0.500000, val 0.500000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 18 / 200: cost 1.535239, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 19 / 200: cost 1.421527, train: 0.600000, val 0.600000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 20 / 200: cost 1.305760, train: 0.650000, val 0.650000, lr 1.000000e-03
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Finished epoch 195 / 200: cost 0.002694, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 196 / 200: cost 0.002674, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 197 / 200: cost 0.002655, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 198 / 200: cost 0.002635, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 199 / 200: cost 0.002617, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
Finished epoch 200 / 200: cost 0.002597, train: 1.000000, val 1.000000, lr 1.000000e-03
finished optimization. best validation accuracy: 1.000000
```

Recall: setting hyperparameters

Idea #1: Choose hyperparameters that work best on the data

BAD: No idea how algorithm will perform on new data



Idea #2: Split data into **train** and **test**, choose hyperparameters that work best on test data

BAD: No idea how algorithm will perform on new data



Idea #3: Split data into **train**, **val**, and **test**; choose hyperparameters on val and evaluate on test

Good!



Random Search vs. Grid Search

*Random Search for
Hyper-Parameter Optimization*
Bergstra and Bengio, 2012

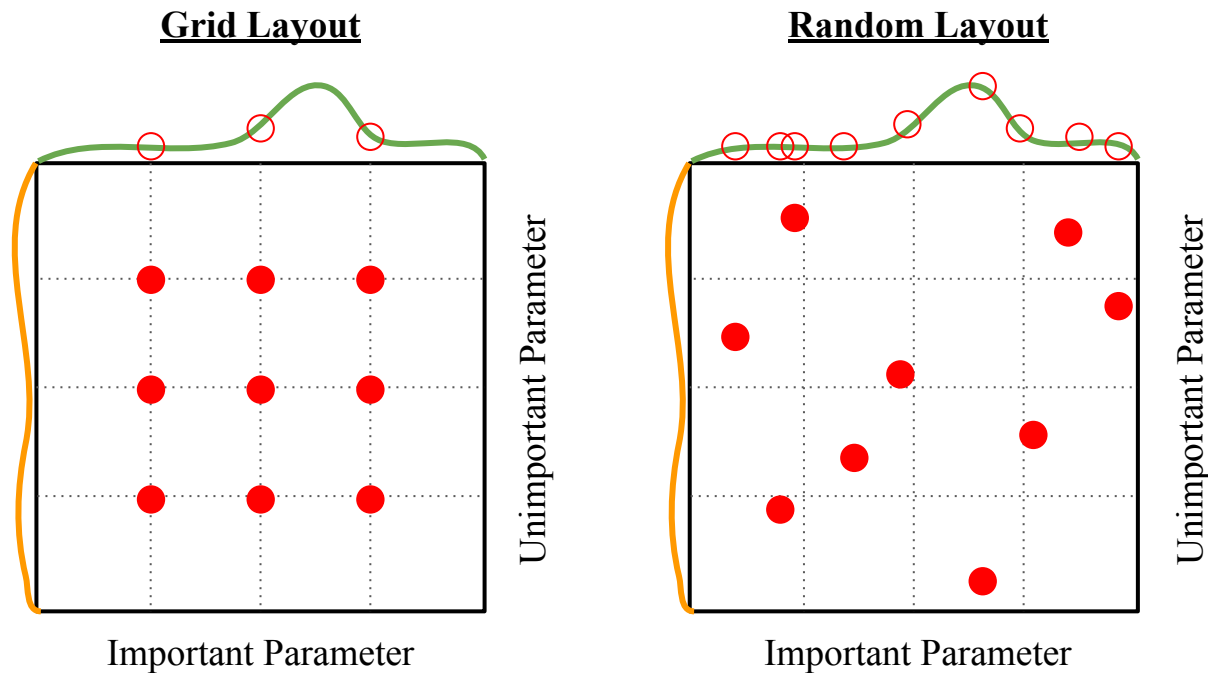
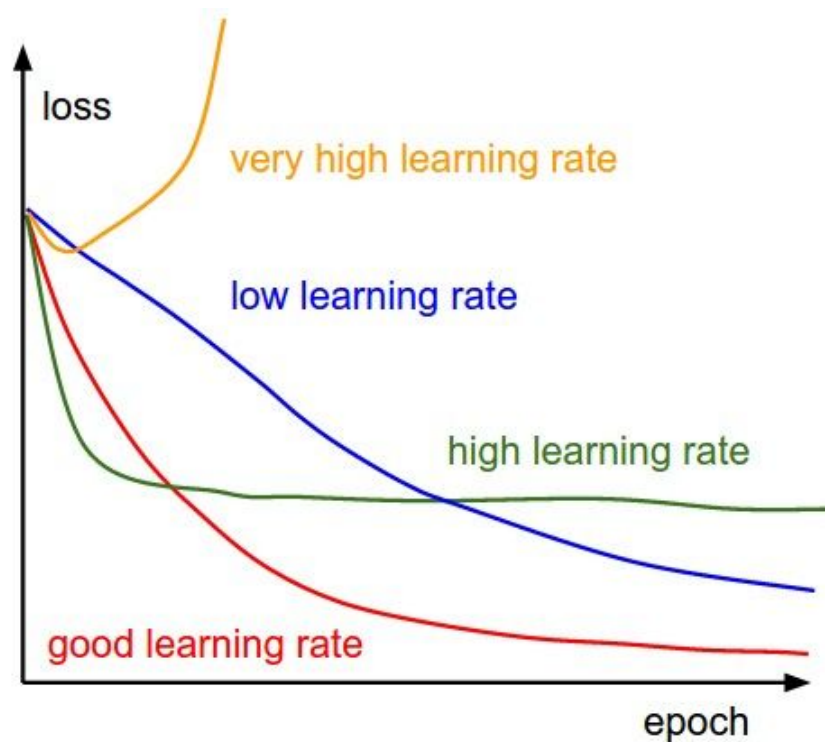
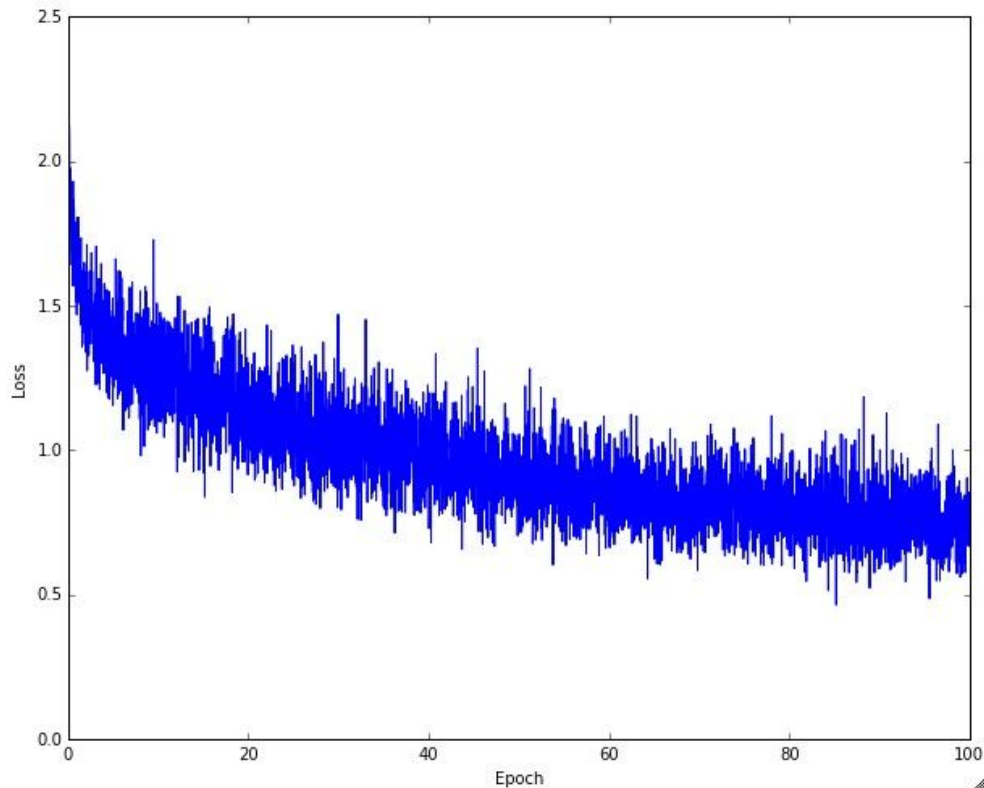
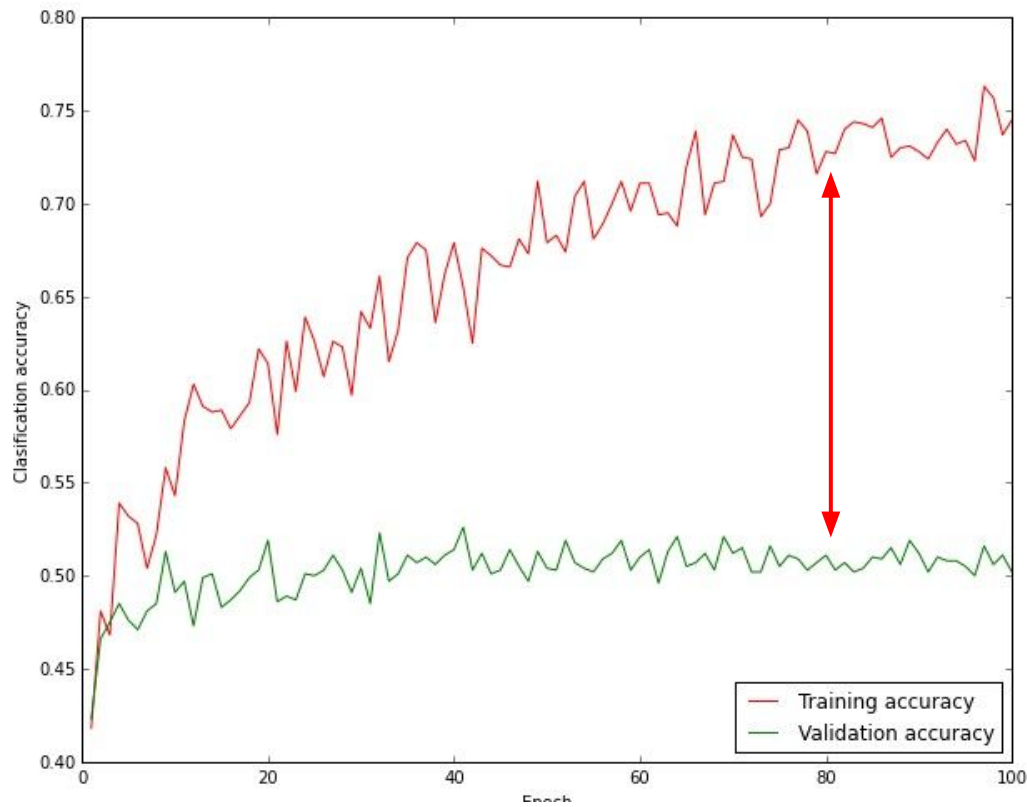


Illustration of Bergstra et al., 2012 by Shayne Longpre, copyright CS231n 2017

Monitor and visualize the loss curve



Monitor and visualize the accuracy:



big gap = overfitting

=> increase regularization strength?

no gap

=> increase model capacity?

Track the ratio of weight updates / weight magnitudes:

```
# assume parameter vector W and its gradient vector dW
param_scale = np.linalg.norm(W.ravel())
update = -learning_rate*dW # simple SGD update
update_scale = np.linalg.norm(update.ravel())
W += update # the actual update
print update_scale / param_scale # want ~1e-3
```

ratio between the updates and values: $\sim 0.0002 / 0.02 = 0.01$ (about okay)
want this to be somewhere around 0.001 or so

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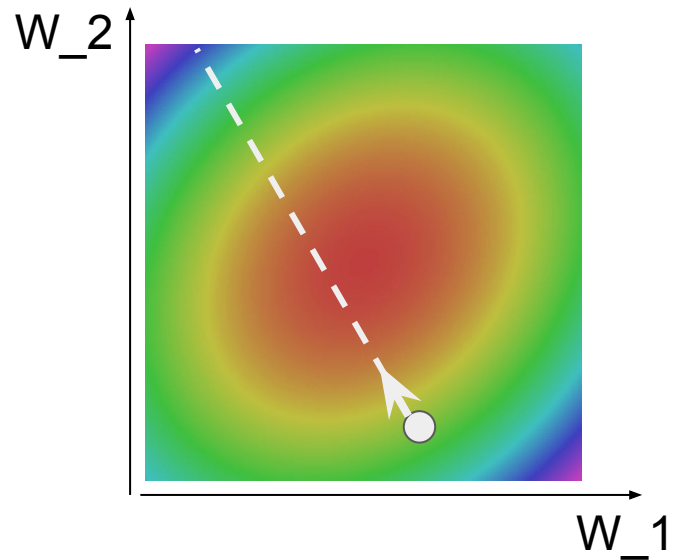
Optimization

```
# Vanilla Gradient Descent
```

```
while True:
```

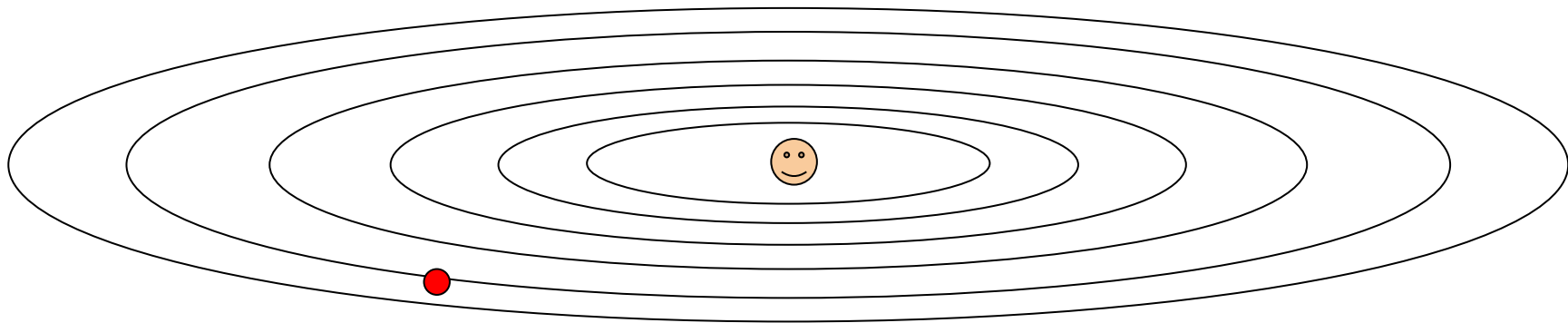
```
    weights_grad = evaluate_gradient(loss_fun, data, weights)
```

```
    weights += - step_size * weights_grad # perform parameter update
```



Optimization: Problems with SGD

What if loss changes quickly in one direction and slowly in another?
What does gradient descent do?

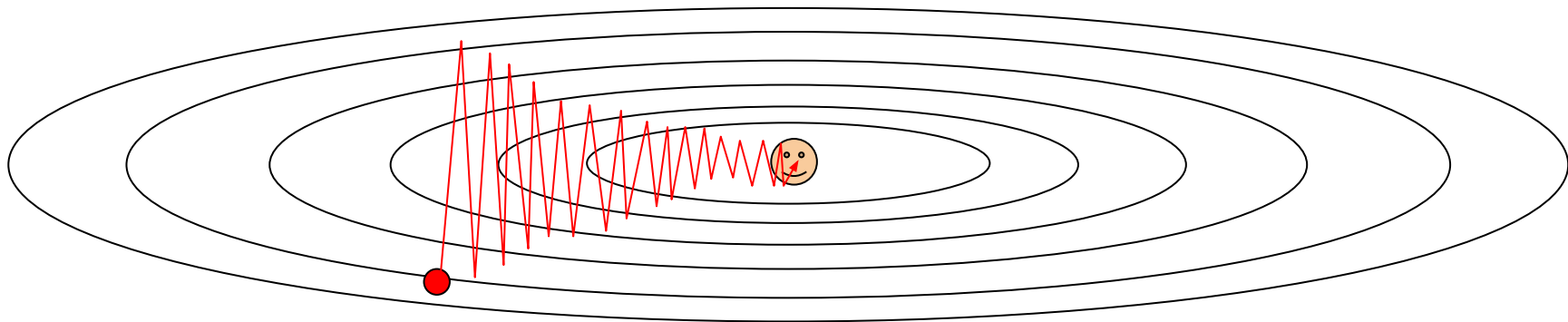


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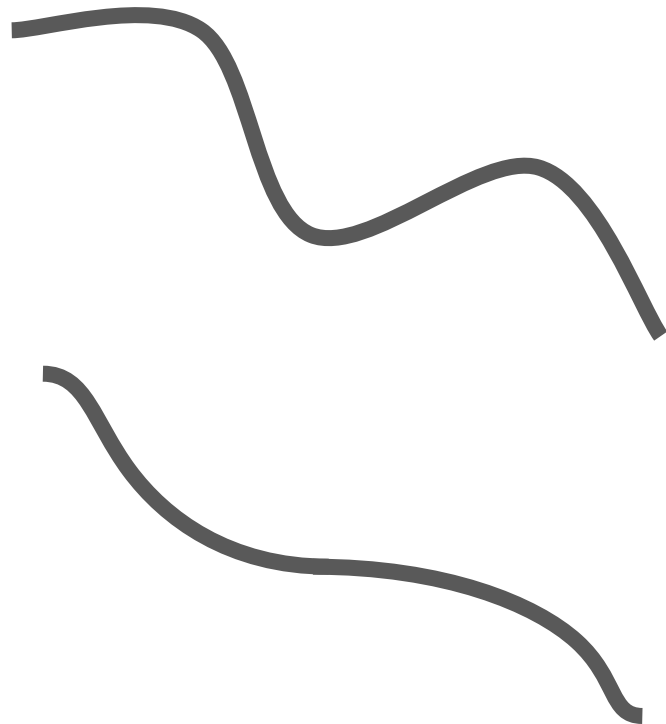
What does gradient descent do?

Very slow progress along shallow dimension, jitter along steep direction



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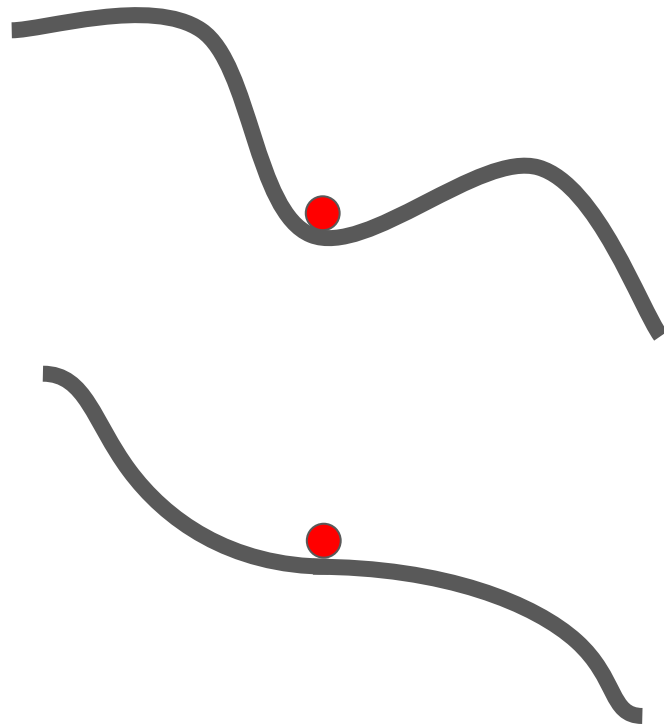
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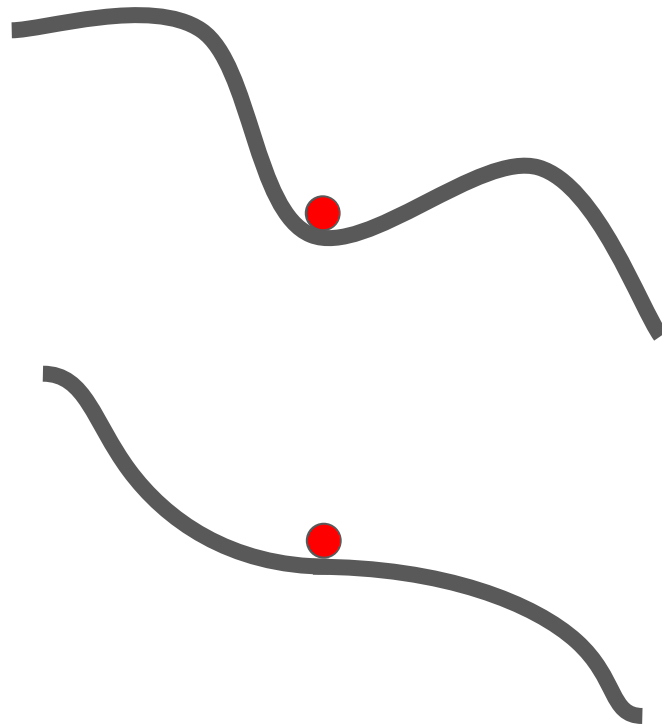
Zero gradient,
gradient descent
gets stuck



Optimization: Problems with SGD

What if the loss function has a **local minima** or **saddle point**?

Saddle points much more common in high dimension



Dauphin et al, "Identifying and attacking the saddle point problem in high-dimensional non-convex optimization", NeurIPS 2014

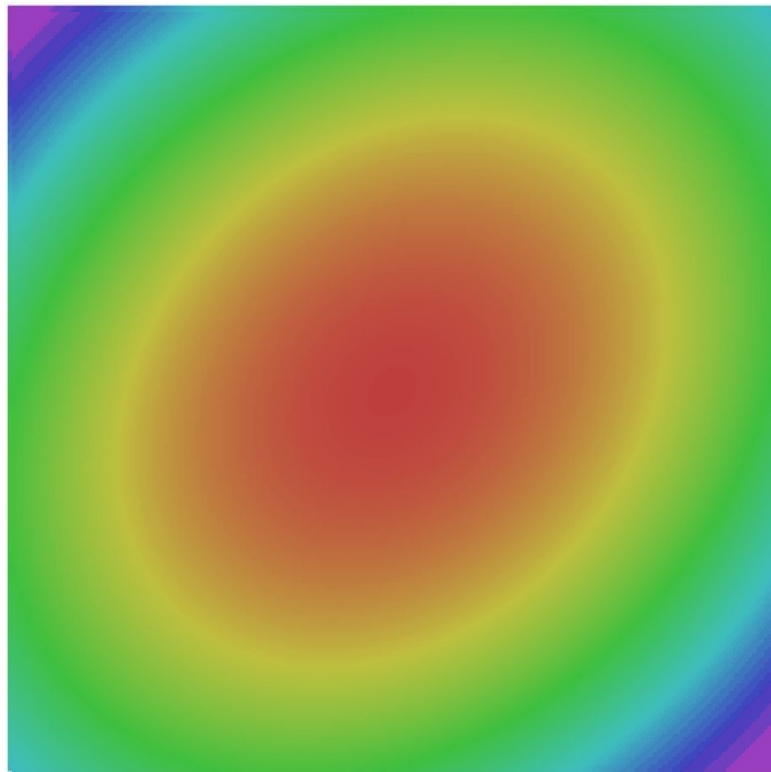
Credit: Fei-Fei Li & Justin Johnson & Serena Yeung

Optimization: Problems with SGD

Our gradients come from minibatches so they can be noisy!

$$L(W) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L_i(x_i, y_i, W)$$

$$\nabla_W L(W) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \nabla_W L_i(x_i, y_i, W)$$



SGD + Momentum

SGD

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t)$$

```
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    x += learning_rate * dx
```

SGD+Momentum

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t + \nabla f(x_t)$$

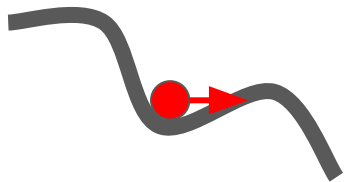
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha v_{t+1}$$

```
vx = 0
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    vx = rho * vx + dx
    x += learning_rate * vx
```

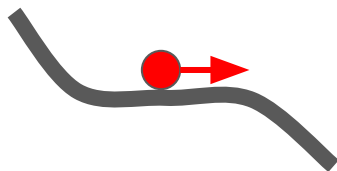
- Build up “velocity” as a running mean of gradients
- Rho gives “friction”; typically rho=0.9 or 0.99

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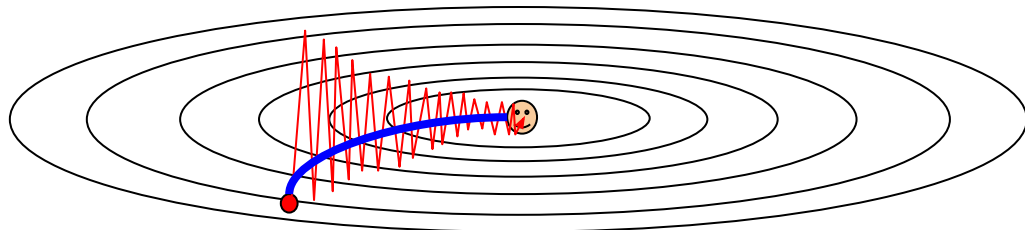
Local Minima



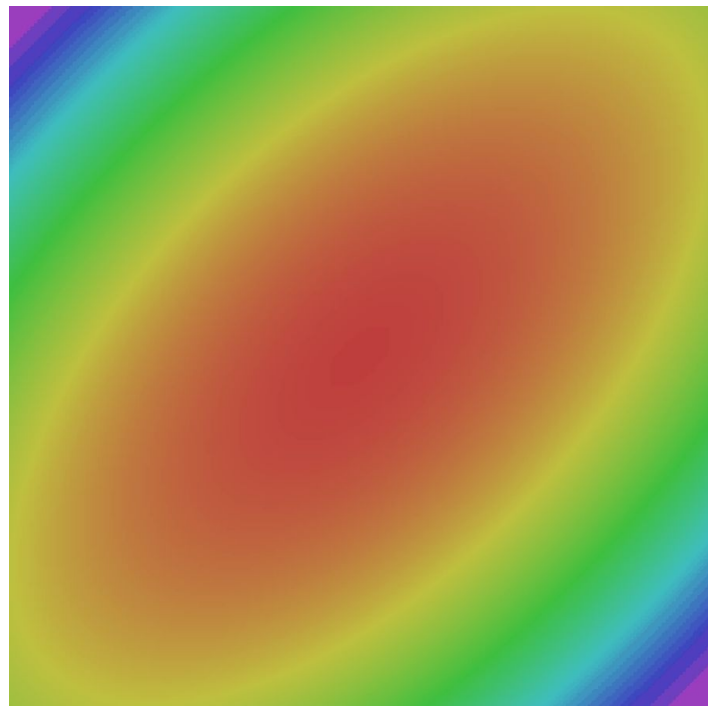
Saddle points



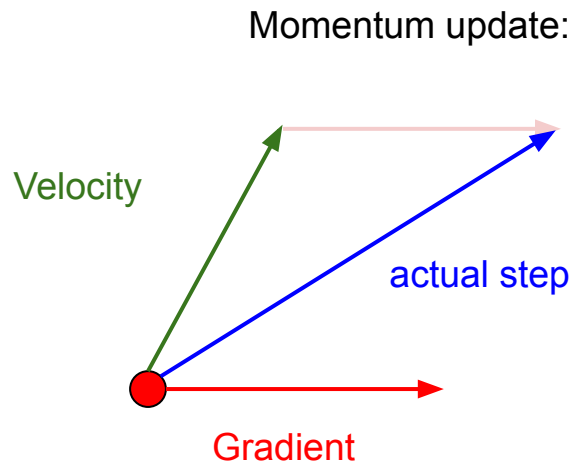
Poor Conditioning



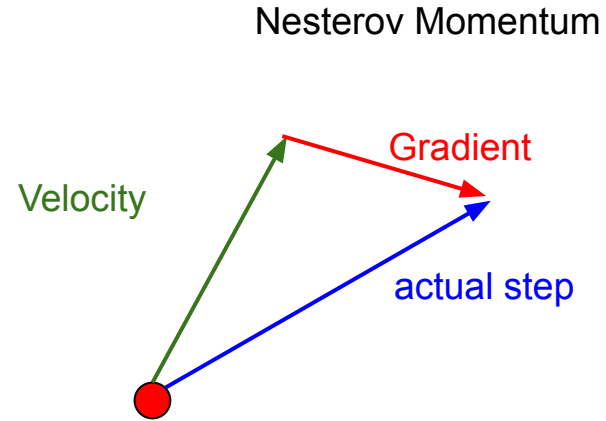
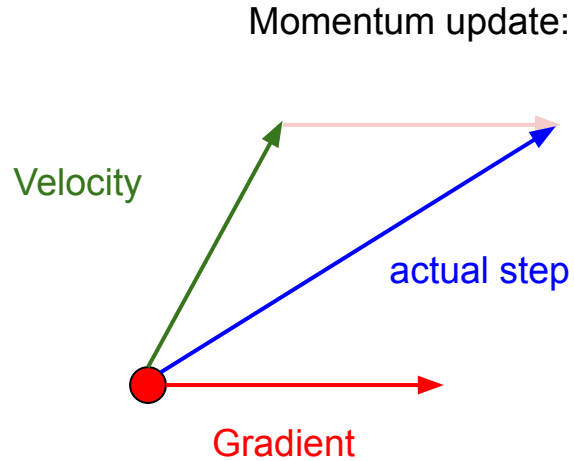
Gradient Noise



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Nesterov Momentum



Nesterov, "A method of solving a convex programming problem with convergence rate $O(1/k^2)$ ", 1983
Nesterov, "Introductory lectures on convex optimization: a basic course", 2004
Sutskever et al, "On the importance of initialization and momentum in deep learning", ICML 2013

Nesterov Momentum

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(x_t + \rho v_t)$$

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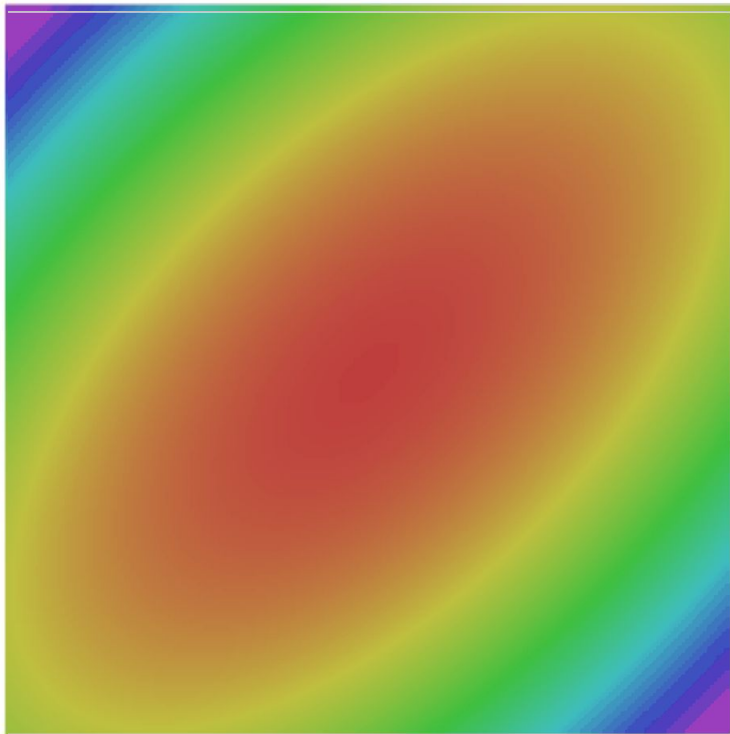
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Change of variables $\tilde{x}_t = x_t + \rho v_t$ and rearrange:

$$v_{t+1} = \rho v_t - \alpha \nabla f(\tilde{x}_t)$$
$$\tilde{x}_{t+1} = \tilde{x}_t - \rho v_t + (1 + \rho)v_{t+1}$$
$$= \tilde{x}_t + v_{t+1} + \rho(v_{t+1} - v_t)$$

```
dx = compute_gradient(x)
old_v = v
v = rho * v - learning_rate * dx
x += -rho * old_v + (1 + rho) * v
```

Nesterov Momentum



- SGD
- SGD+Momentum
- Nesterov

AdaGrad

```
grad_squared = 0
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    grad_squared += dx * dx
    x -= learning_rate * dx / (np.sqrt(grad_squared) + 1e-7)
```

Added element-wise scaling of the gradient based on the historical sum of squares in each dimension

RMSProp

AdaGrad

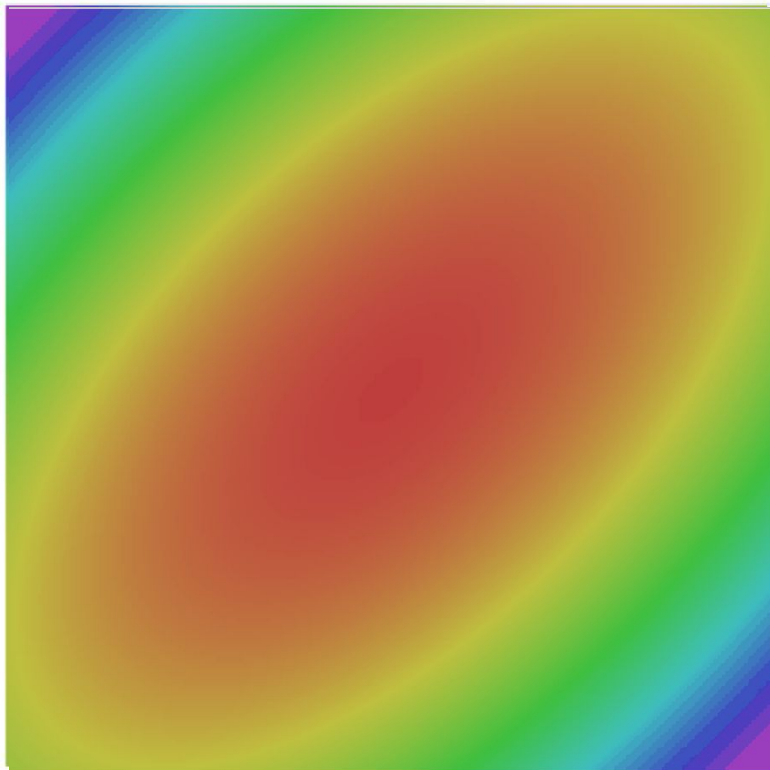
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RMSProp

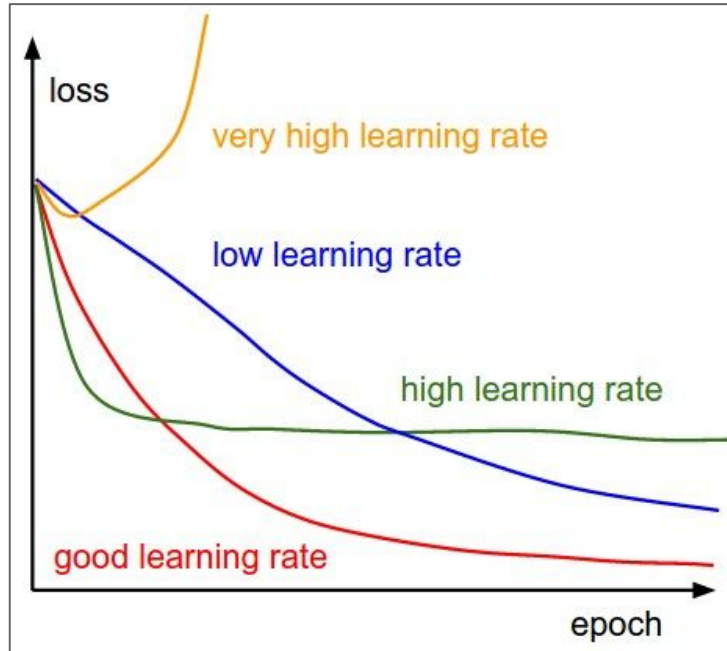
```
grad_squared = 0
while True:
    dx = compute_gradient(x)
    grad_squared = decay_rate * grad_squared + (1 - decay_rate) * dx * dx
    x -= learning_rate * dx / (np.sqrt(grad_squared) + 1e-7)
```

Adam

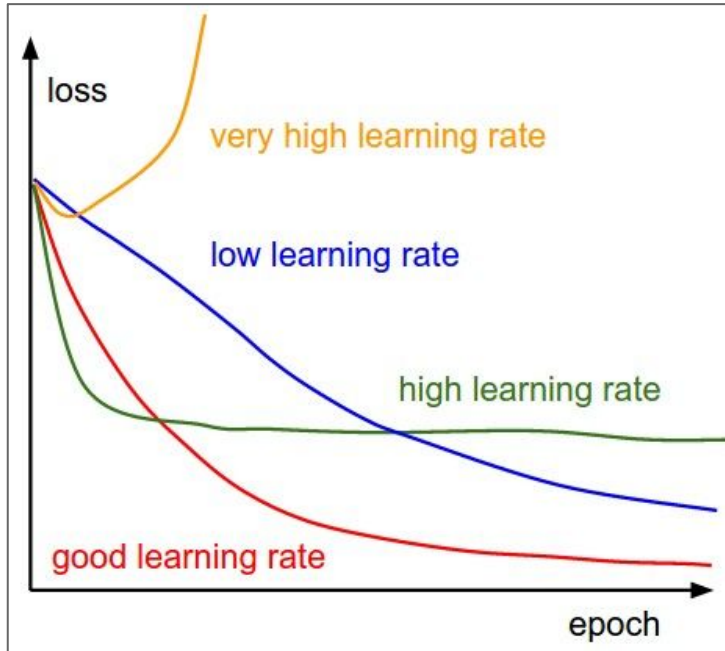


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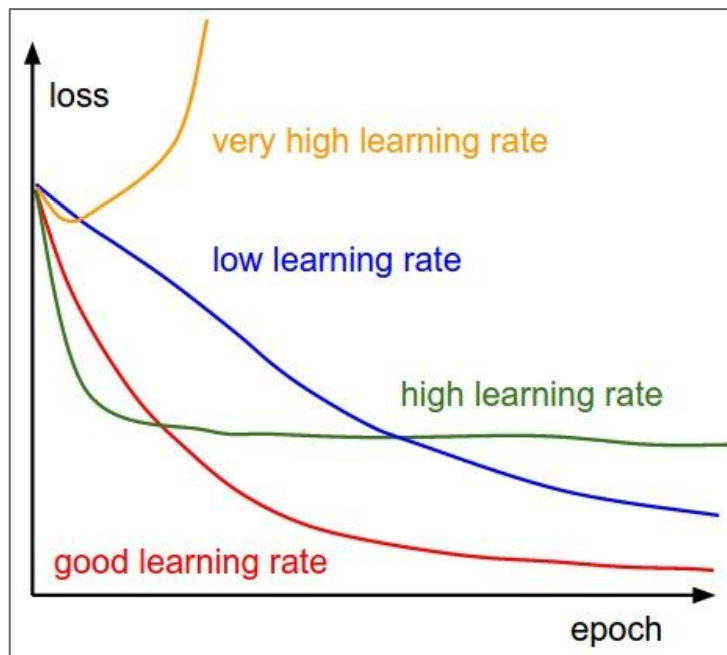


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Q: Which one of these learning rates is best to use?

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=> Learning rate decay over time!

step decay:

e.g. decay learning rate by half every few epochs.

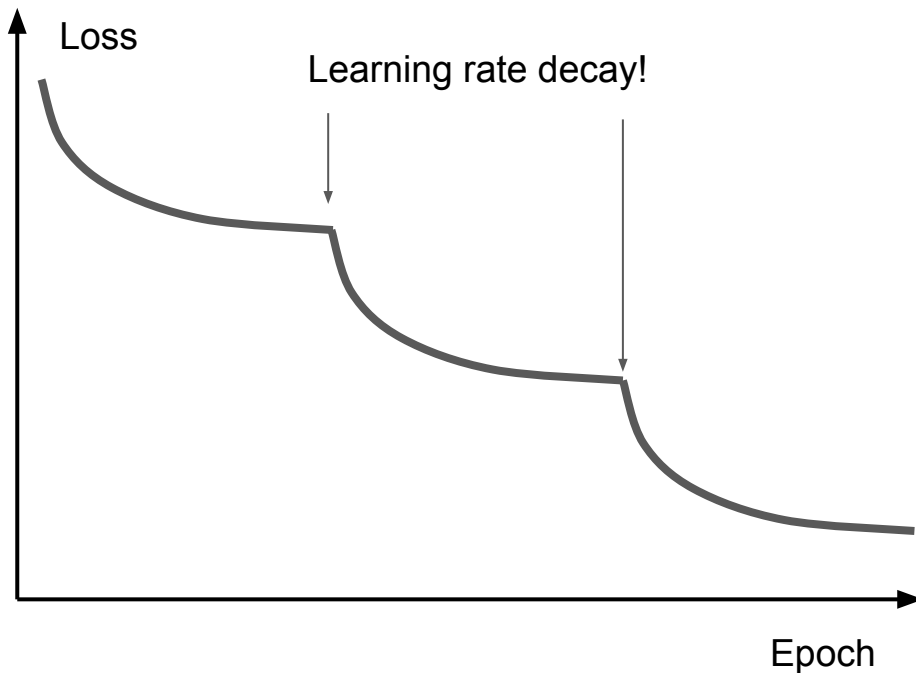
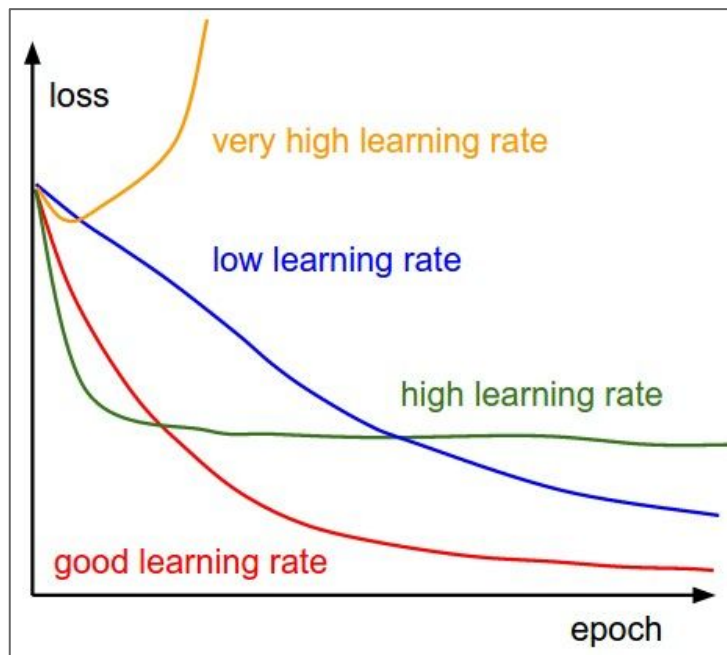
exponential decay:

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 e^{-kt}$$

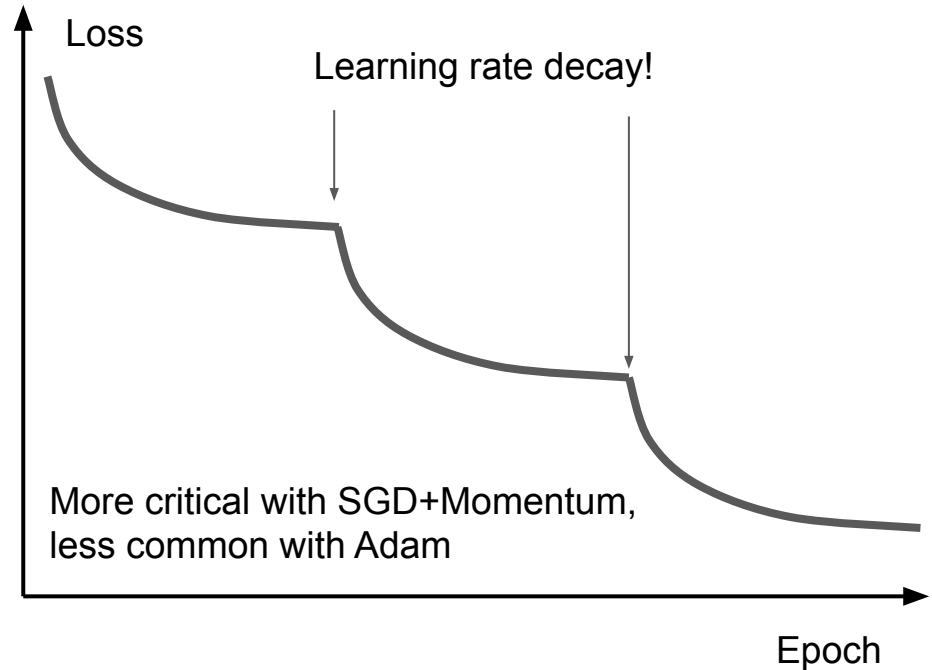
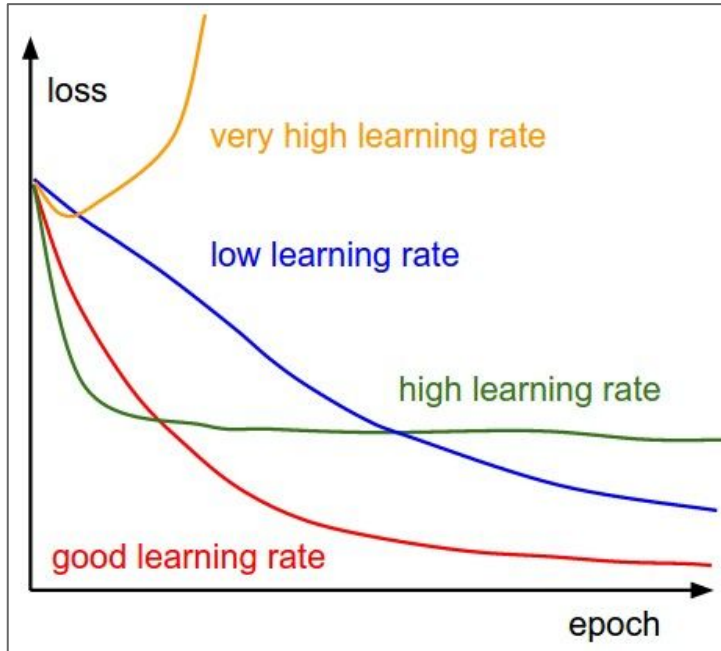
1/t decay:

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 / (1 + kt)$$

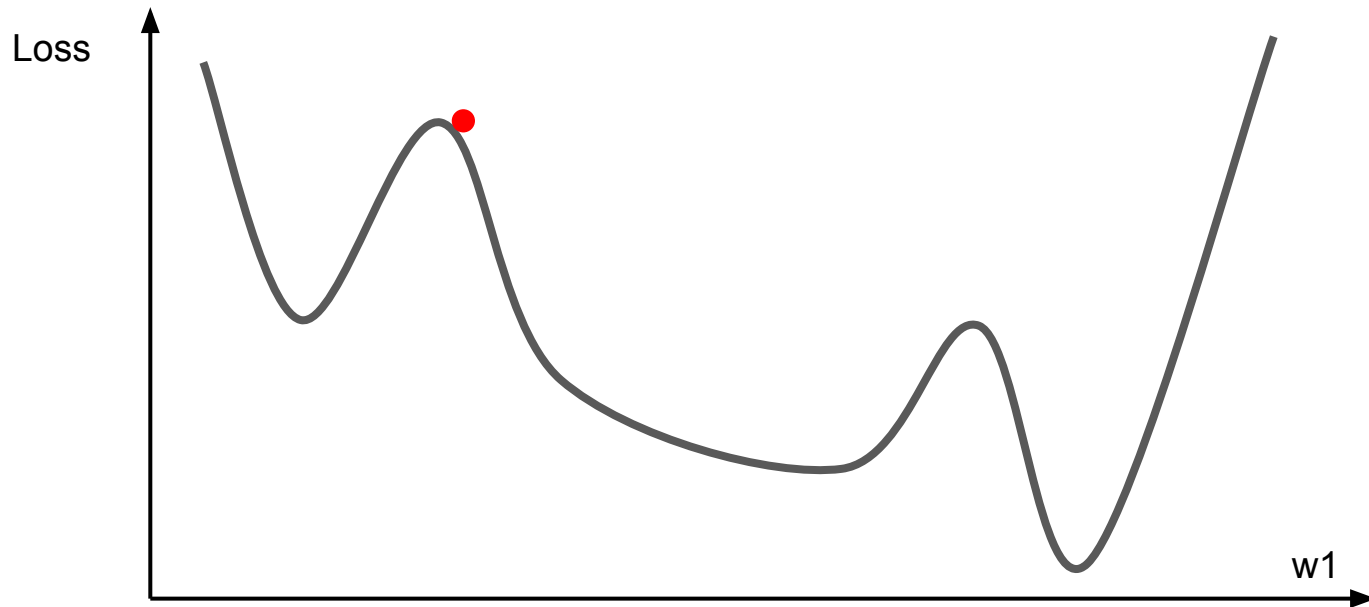
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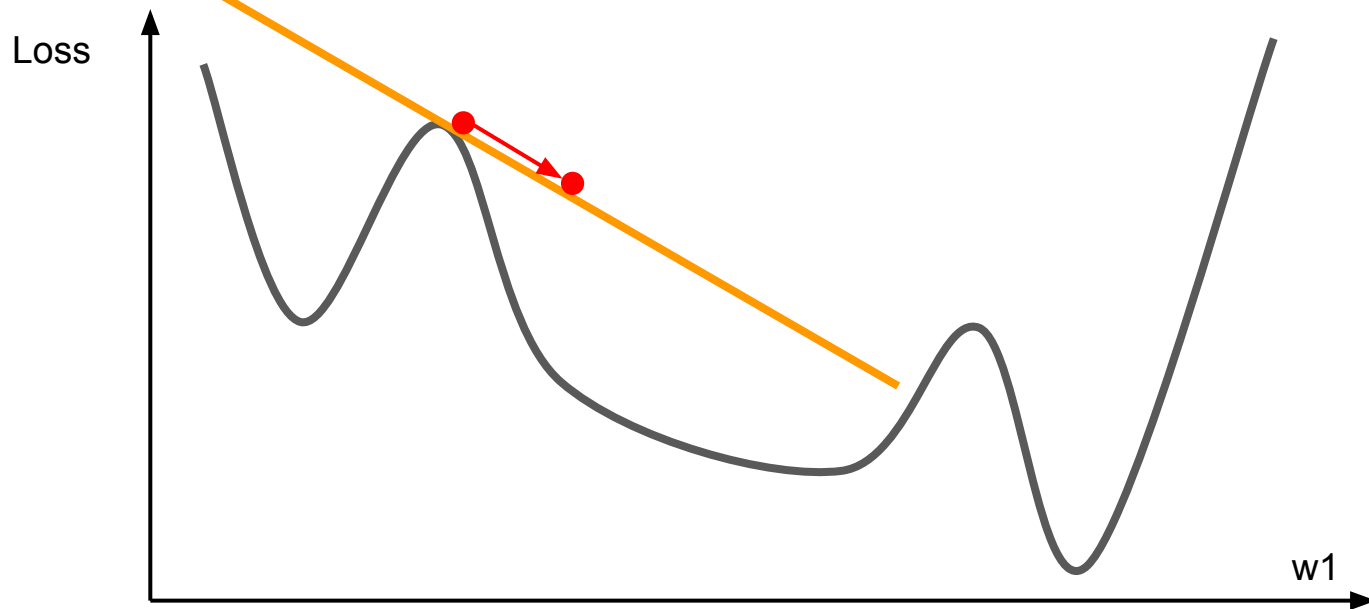


First-Order Optimization



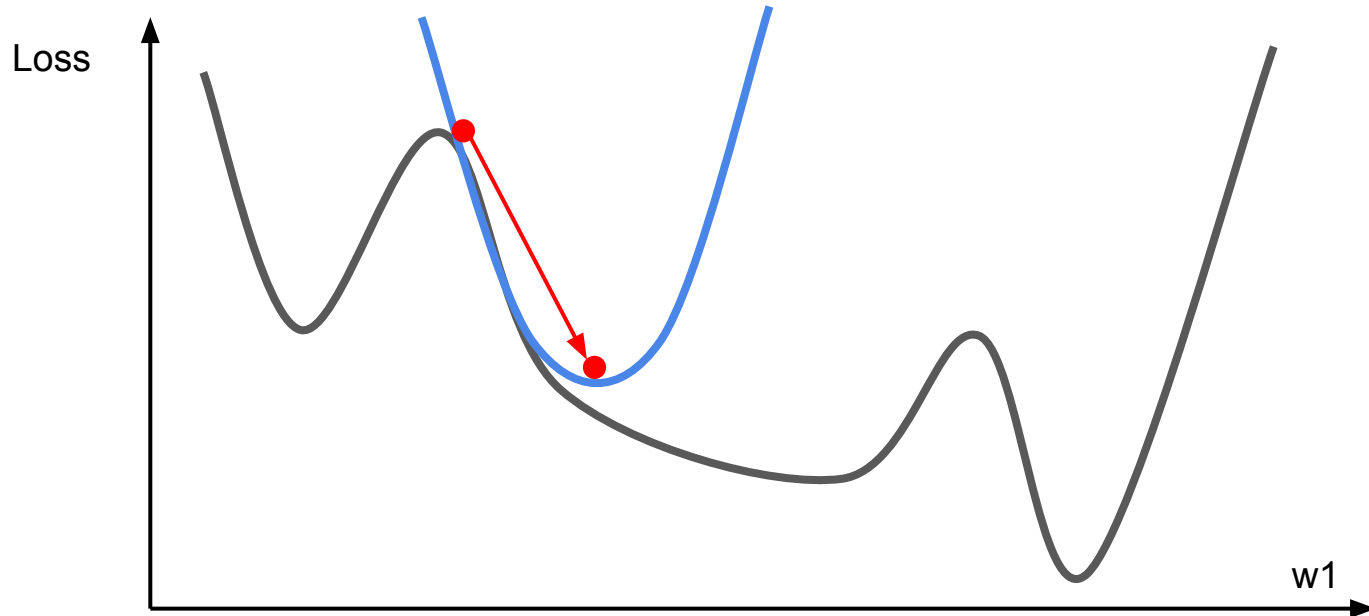
First-Order Optimization

- (1) Use gradient form linear approximation
- (2) Step to minimize the approximation



Second-Order Optimization

- (1) Use gradient **and Hessian** to form **quadratic** approximation
- (2) Step to the **minima** of the approximation



L-BFGS

- **Usually works very well in full batch, deterministic mode** i.e. if you have a single, deterministic $f(x)$ then L-BFGS will probably work very nicely
- **Does not transfer very well to mini-batch setting.** Gives bad results. Adapting L-BFGS to large-scale, stochastic setting is an active area of research.

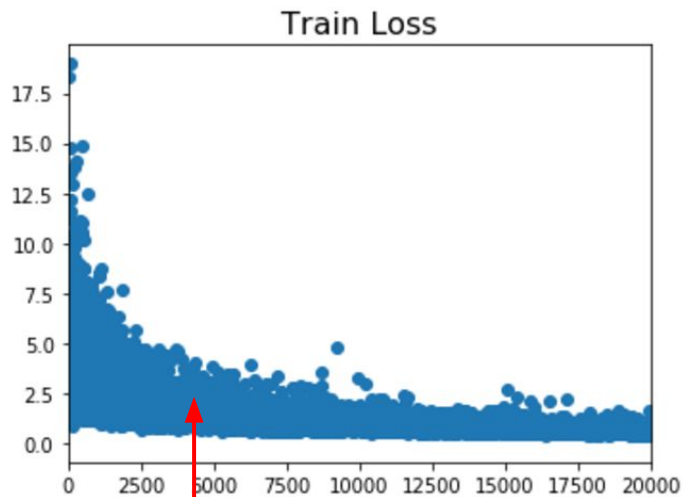
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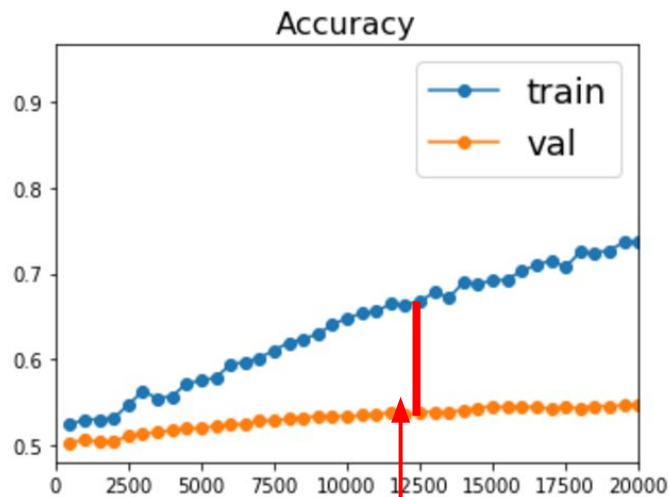
In practice:

- **Adam** is a good default choice in most cases
- If you can afford to do full batch updates then try out **L-BFGS** (and don't forget to disable all sources of noise)

Beyond Training Error



Better optimization algorithms help reduce training loss



But we really care about error on new data - how to reduce the gap?

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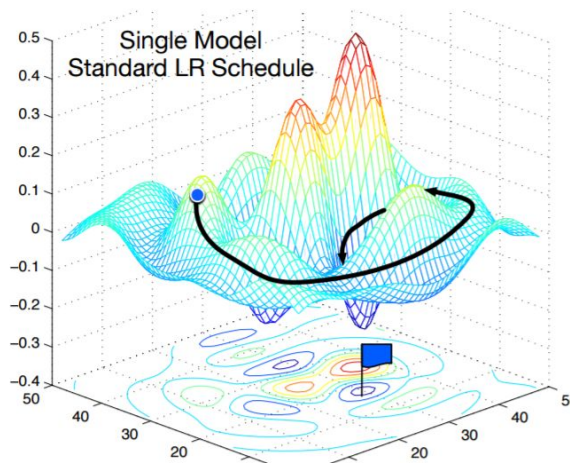
Model Ensembles

1. Train multiple independent models
2. At test time average their results

Enjoy 2% extra performance

Model Ensembles: Tips and Tricks

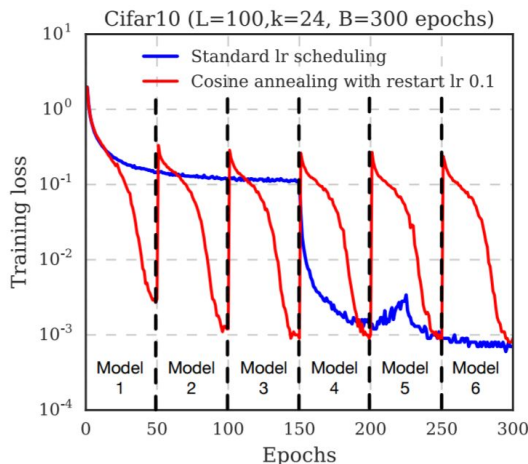
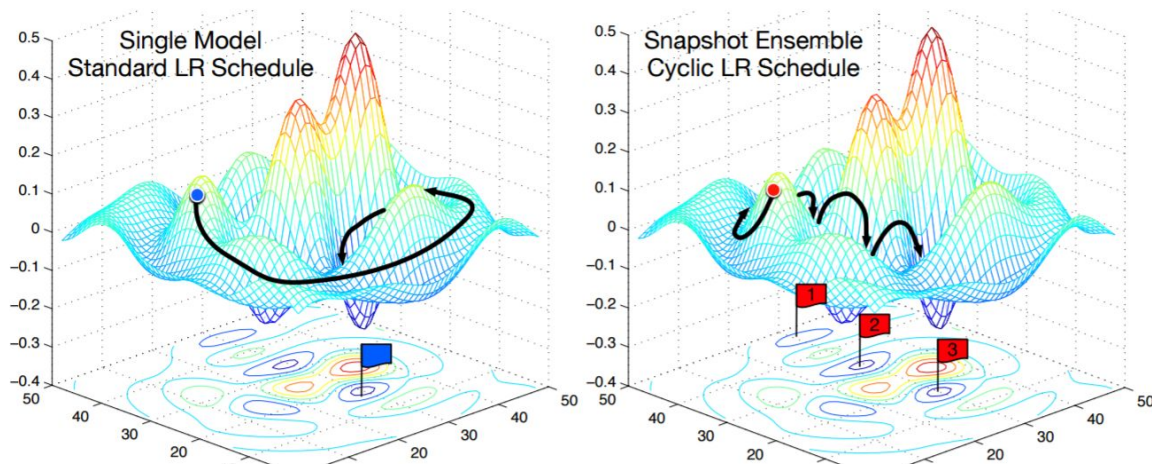
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Cyclic learning rate schedules can make this work even better!

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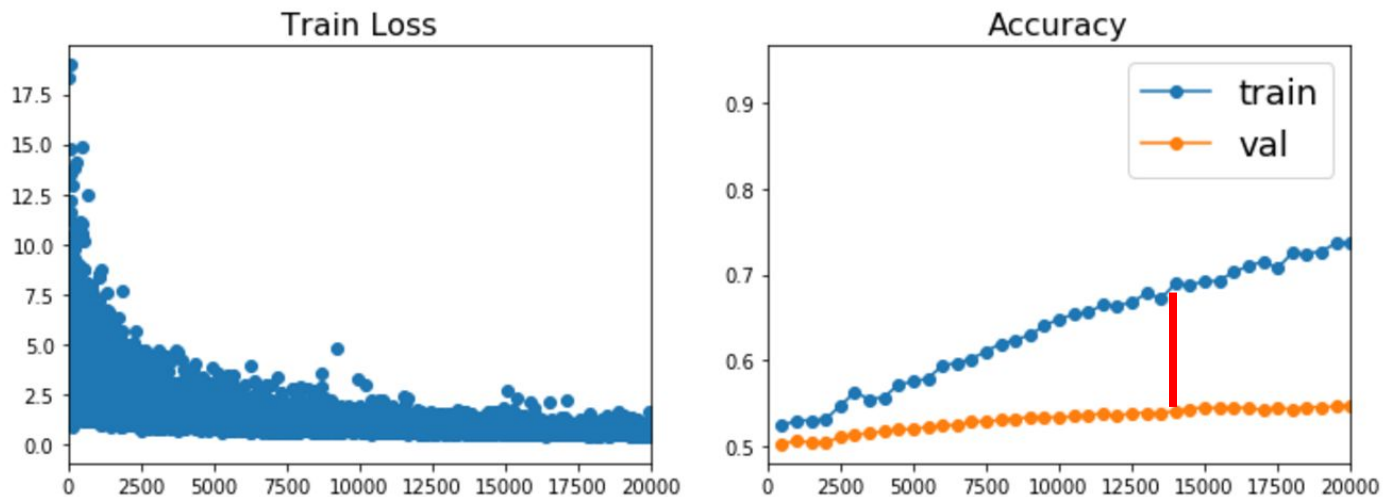
Instead of using actual parameter vector, keep a moving average of the parameter vector and use that at test time (Polyak averaging)

```
while True:
    data_batch = dataset.sample_data_batch()
    loss = network.forward(data_batch)
    dx = network.backward()
    x += - learning_rate * dx
    x_test = 0.995*x_test + 0.005*x # use for test set
```

Polyak and Juditsky, "Acceleration of stochastic approximation by averaging", SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization, 1992.

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How to improve single-model performance?



Regularization

Overview

1. One time setup

*gradient checking, activation functions, data preprocessing, weight initialization, **regularization***

2. Training dynamics

starting the learning process, hyperparameter selection, parameter optimization, transfer learning

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Regularization: Add term to loss

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j \neq y_i} \max(0, f(x_i; W)_j - f(x_i; W)_{y_i} + 1) + \lambda R(W)$$

In common use:

L2 regularization

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l W_{k,l}^2 \quad (\text{Weight decay})$$

L1 regularization

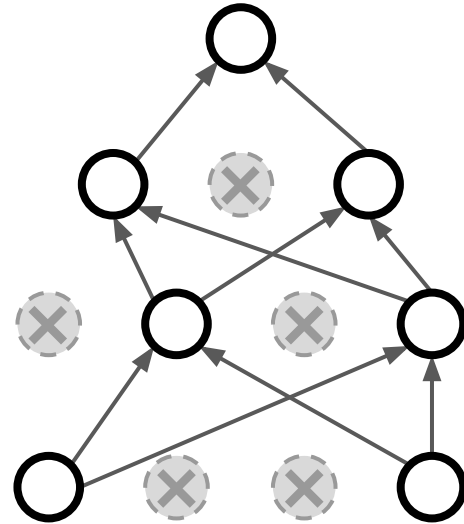
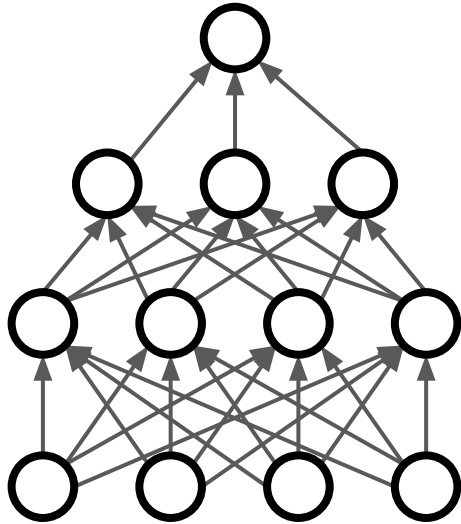
$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l |W_{k,l}|$$

Elastic net (L1 + L2)

$$R(W) = \sum_k \sum_l \beta W_{k,l}^2 + |W_{k,l}|$$

Regularization: Dropout

In each forward pass, randomly set some neurons to zero
Probability of dropping is a hyperparameter; 0.5 is common



Srivastava et al, "Dropout: A simple way to prevent neural networks from overfitting", JMLR 2014

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Regularization: Dropout

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p = 0.5 # probability of keeping a unit active. higher = less dropout
```

```
def train_step(X):
```

```
    """ X contains the data """
```

```
    # forward pass for example 3-layer neural network
```

```
    H1 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W1, X) + b1)
```

```
    U1 = np.random.rand(*H1.shape) < p # first dropout mask
```

```
    H1 *= U1 # drop!
```

```
    H2 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W2, H1) + b2)
```

```
    U2 = np.random.rand(*H2.shape) < p # second dropout mask
```

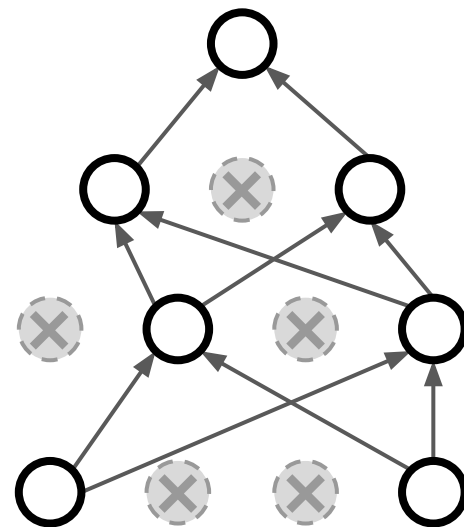
```
    H2 *= U2 # drop!
```

```
    out = np.dot(W3, H2) + b3
```

```
    # backward pass: compute gradients... (not shown)
```

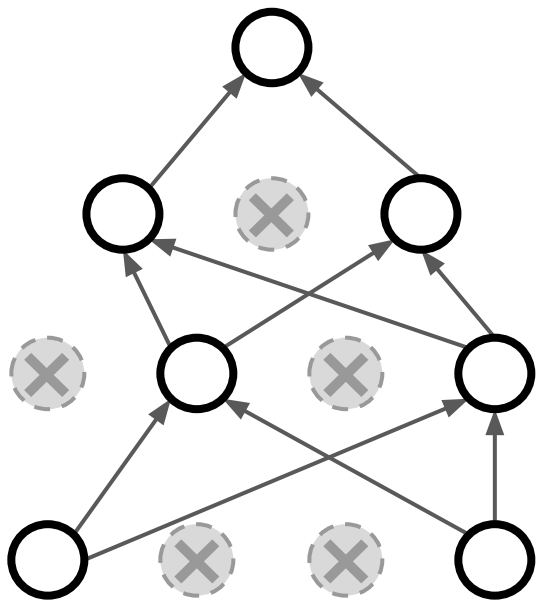
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    # perform parameter update... (not shown)
```

Example forward pass with a 3-layer network using dropout

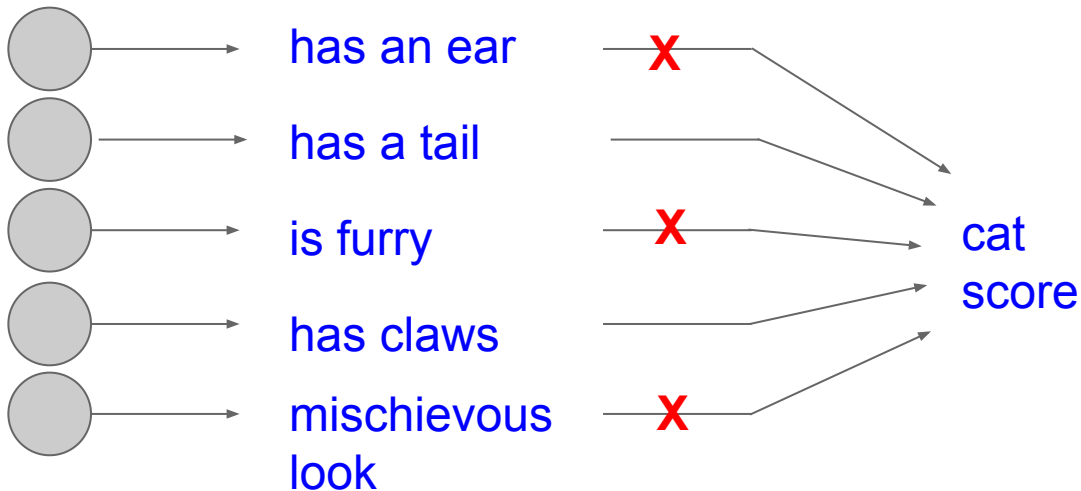


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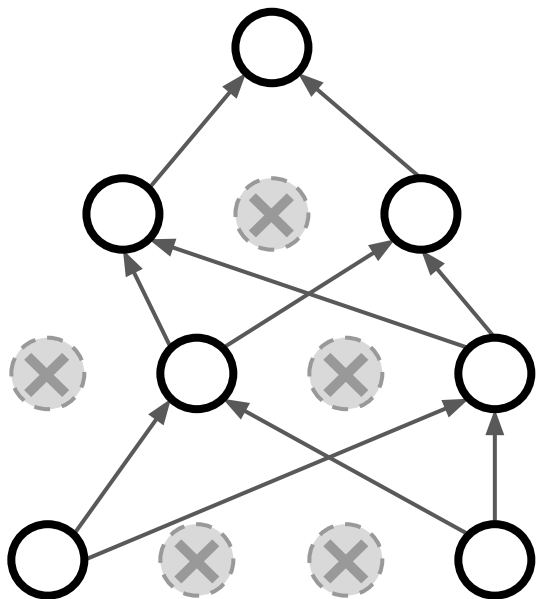


Forces the network to have a redundant representation;
Prevents co-adaptation of features



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Another interpretation:

Dropout is training a large **ensemble** of models (that share parameters).

Each binary mask is one model

An FC layer with 4096 units has $2^{4096} \sim 10^{1233}$ possible masks!

Only $\sim 10^{82}$ atoms in the universe...

Dropout: Test time

Dropout makes our output random!

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Output} \\ \text{(label)} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Input} \\ \text{(image)} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Random} \\ \text{mask} \end{array}$$
$$y = f_W(x, z)$$

The diagram shows the equation $y = f_W(x, z)$ with colored boxes around the variables: a red box around y , a blue box around x , and a green box around z . The labels "Output (label)", "Input (image)", and "Random mask" are positioned above their respective variables.

Want to “average out” the randomness at test-time

$$y = f(x) = E_z[f(x, z)] = \int p(z) f(x, z) dz$$

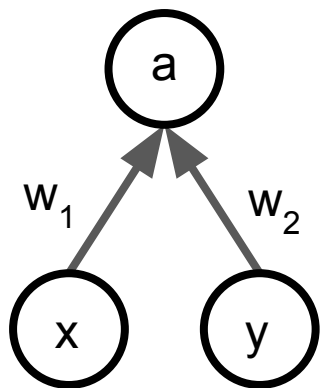
But this integral seems hard ...

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Consider a single neuron.

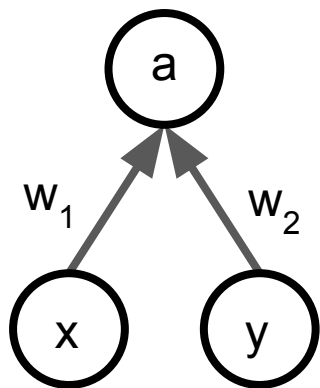


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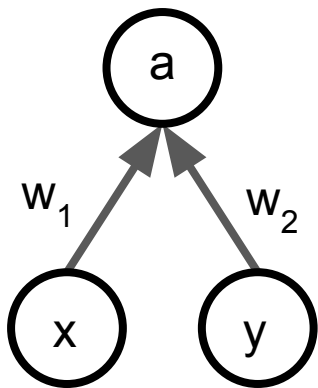
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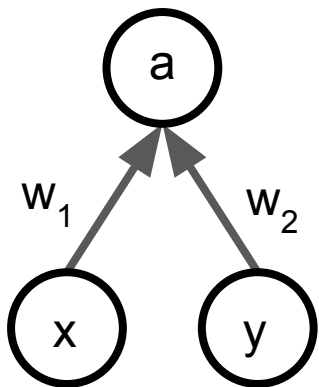
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At test time, multiply by dropout probability

Dropout: Test time

```
def predict(X):  
    # ensembled forward pass  
    H1 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W1, X) + b1) * p # NOTE: scale the activations  
    H2 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W2, H1) + b2) * p # NOTE: scale the activations  
    out = np.dot(W3, H2) + b3
```

At test time all neurons are active always

=> We must scale the activations so that for each neuron:

output at test time = expected output at training time

Dropout Summary

```
""" Vanilla Dropout: Not recommended implementation (see notes below) """
```

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```

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```

drop in forward pass

scale at test time

More common: “Inverted dropout”

```
p = 0.5 # probability of keeping a unit active. higher = less dropout

def train_step(X):
    # forward pass for example 3-layer neural network
    H1 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W1, X) + b1)
    U1 = (np.random.rand(*H1.shape) < p) / p # first dropout mask. Notice /p!
    H1 *= U1 # drop!
    H2 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W2, H1) + b2)
    U2 = (np.random.rand(*H2.shape) < p) / p # second dropout mask. Notice /p!
    H2 *= U2 # drop!
    out = np.dot(W3, H2) + b3

    # backward pass: compute gradients... (not shown)
    # perform parameter update... (not shown)

def predict(X):
    # ensembled forward pass
    H1 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W1, X) + b1) # no scaling necessary
    H2 = np.maximum(0, np.dot(W2, H1) + b2)
    out = np.dot(W3, H2) + b3
```

test time is unchanged!



Regularization: A common pattern

Training: Add some kind of randomness

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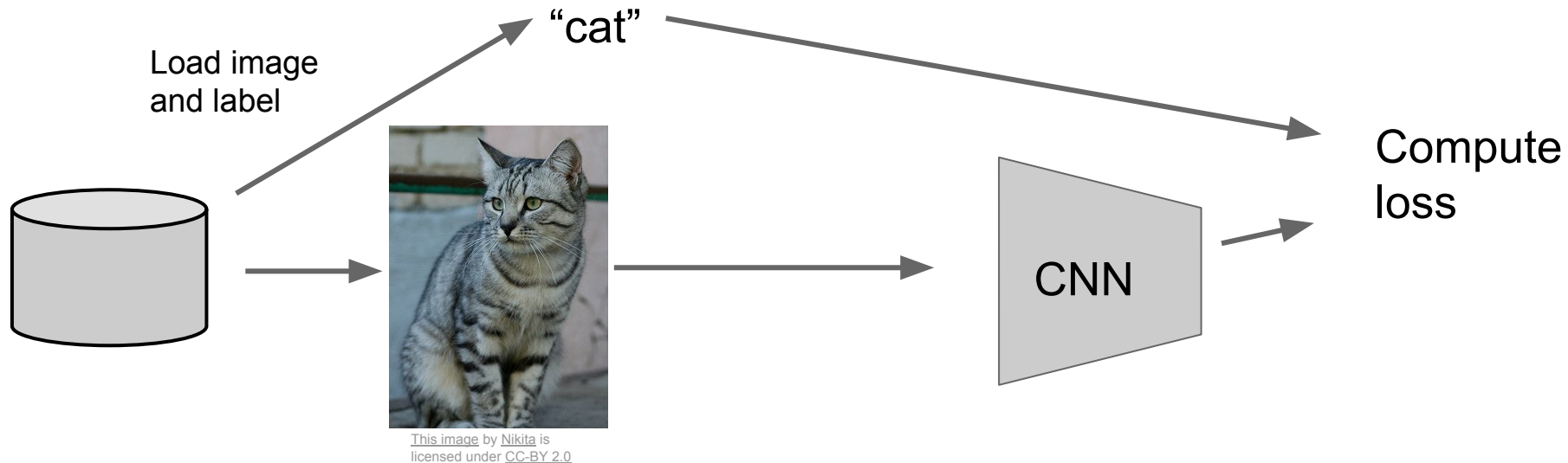
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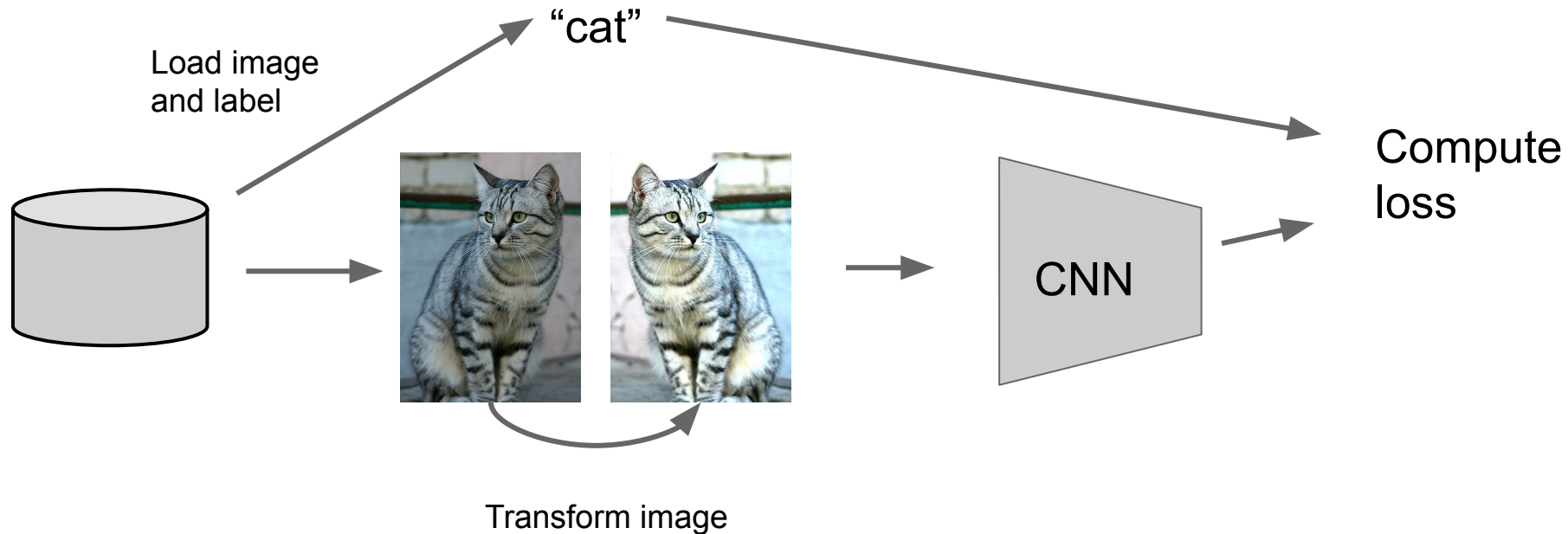
Training: Normalize using stats from random minibatches

Testing: Use fixed stats to normalize

Regularization: Data Augmentation



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Data Augmentation

Horizontal Flips



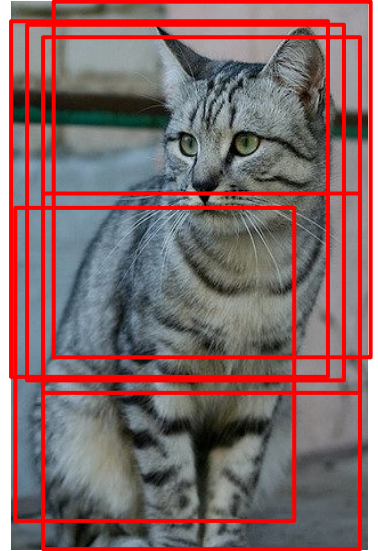
Data Augmentation

Random crops and scales

Training: sample random crops / scales

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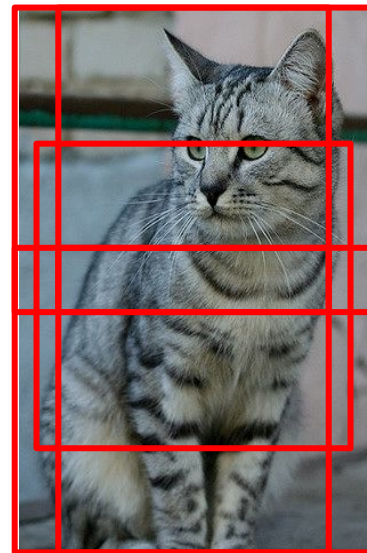
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Testing: average a fixed set of crops

ResNet:

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2. For each size, use 10 224×224 crops: 4 corners + center, + flips



Data Augmentation

Color Jitter

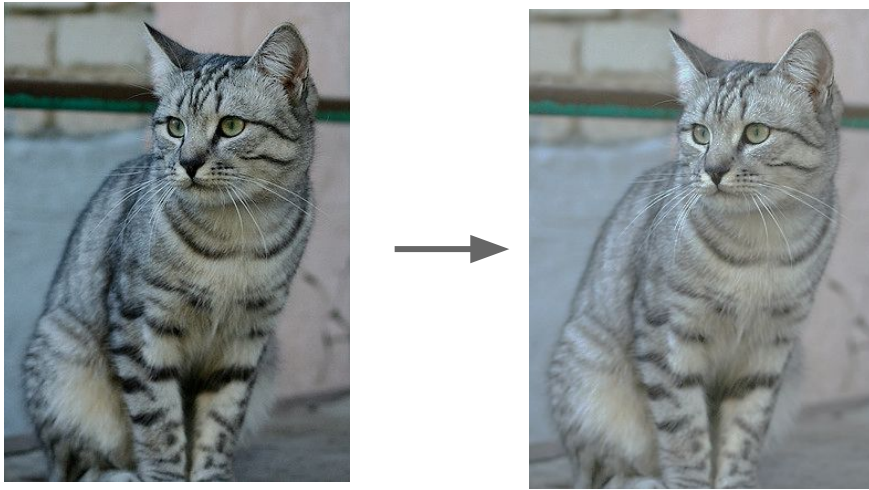
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contrast and brightness



Data Augmentation

Color Jitter

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More Complex:

1. Apply PCA to all [R, G, B] pixels in training set
2. Sample a “color offset” along principal component directions
3. Add offset to all pixels of a training image

(As seen in *[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]*, ResNet, etc)

Data Augmentation

Get creative for your problem!

Random mix/combinations of :

- translation
- rotation
- stretching
- shearing,
- lens distortions, ... (go crazy)

Regularization: A common pattern

Training: Add random noise

Testing: Marginalize over the noise

Examples:

Dropout

Batch Normalization

Data Augmentation

Ioffe and Szegedy. "Batch normalization: accelerating deep network training by reducing internal covariate shift", ICML 2015

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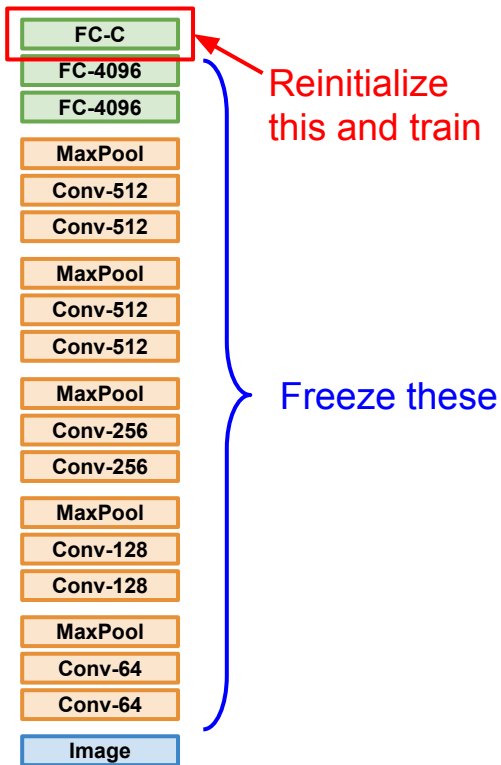
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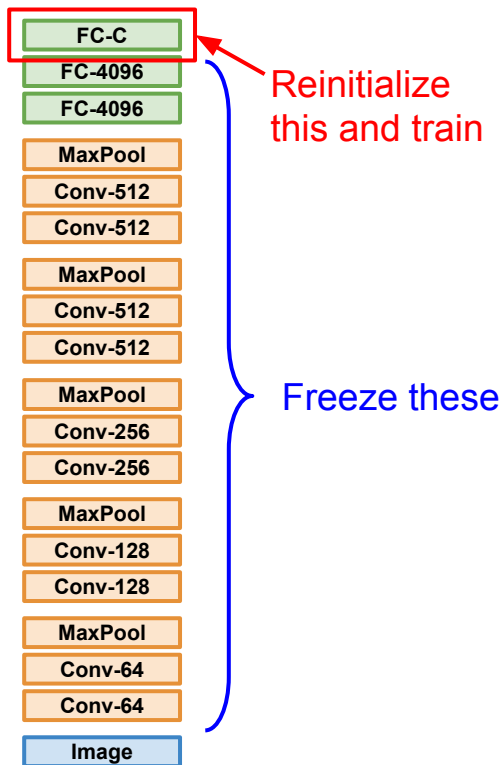
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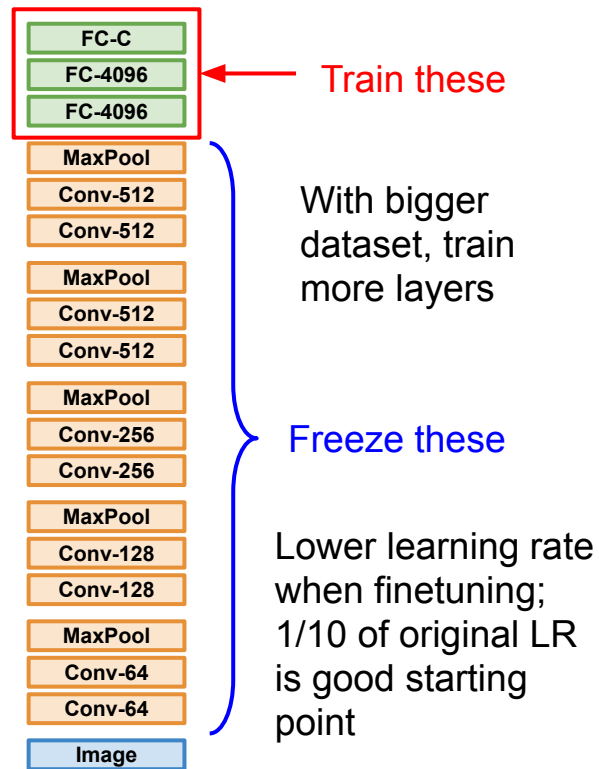
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2. Small Dataset (C classes)



3. Bigger dataset





More specific

More generic

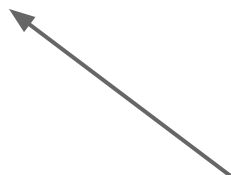
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quite a lot of data	?	?



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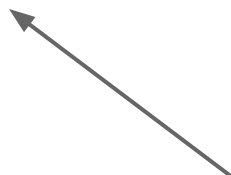


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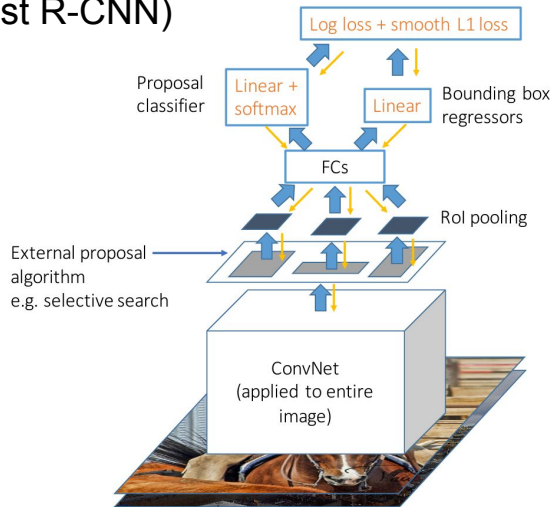
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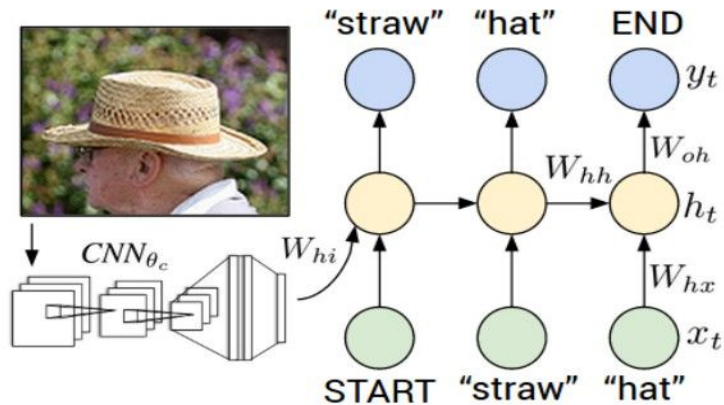
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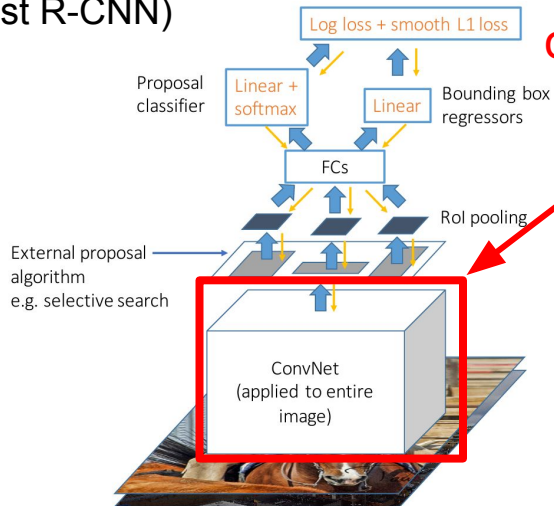
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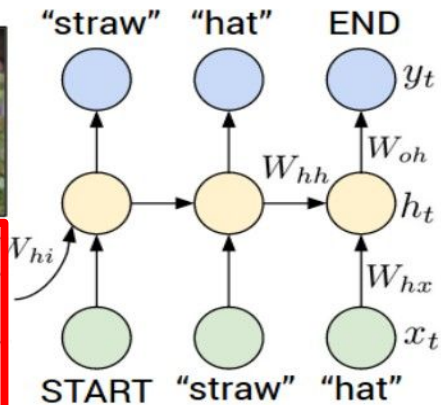
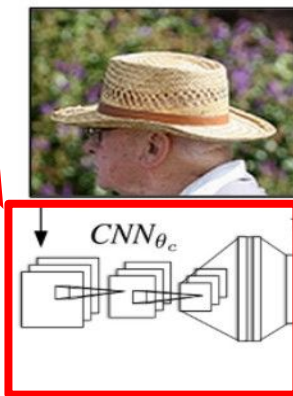
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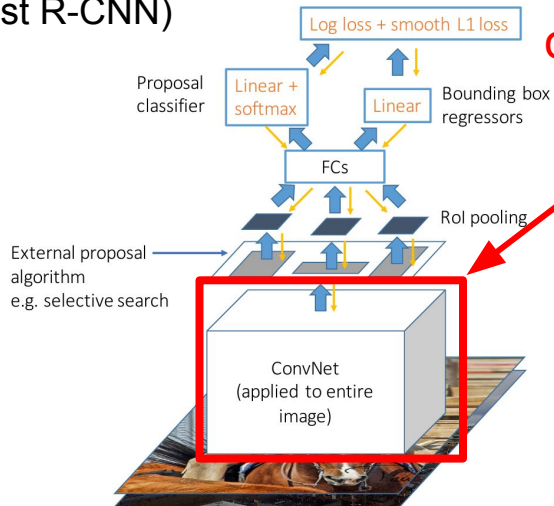


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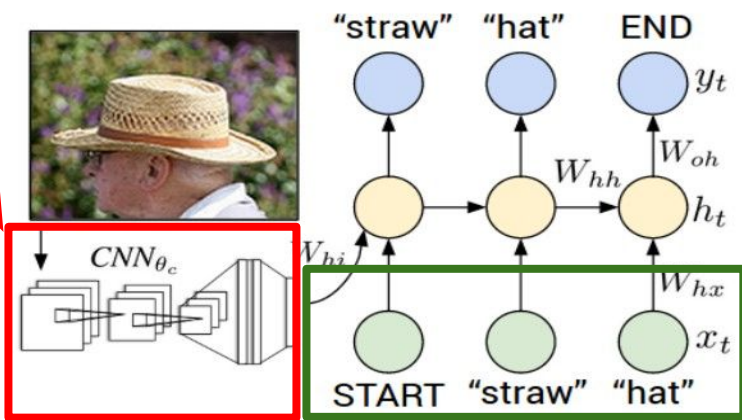
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Word vectors pretrained
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Takeaway for your projects and beyond:

Have some dataset of interest but it has $< \sim 1\text{M}$ images?

1. Find a very large dataset that has similar data, train a big ConvNet there
2. Transfer learn to your dataset

Deep learning frameworks provide a “Model Zoo” of pretrained models so you don’t need to train your own

Caffe: <https://github.com/BVLC/caffe/wiki/Model-Zoo>

TensorFlow: <https://github.com/tensorflow/models>

PyTorch: <https://github.com/pytorch/vision>

Summary

1. One time setup

gradient checking: do

activation functions: use ReLU

data preprocessing: subtract mean of the image

weight initialization: use Xavier init

regularization: use L2+dropout+data augmentation

2. Training dynamics

starting the learning process: lots of sanity-checks

hyperparameter selection: random sample in log space

parameter optimization: use Adam

transfer learning: use freely

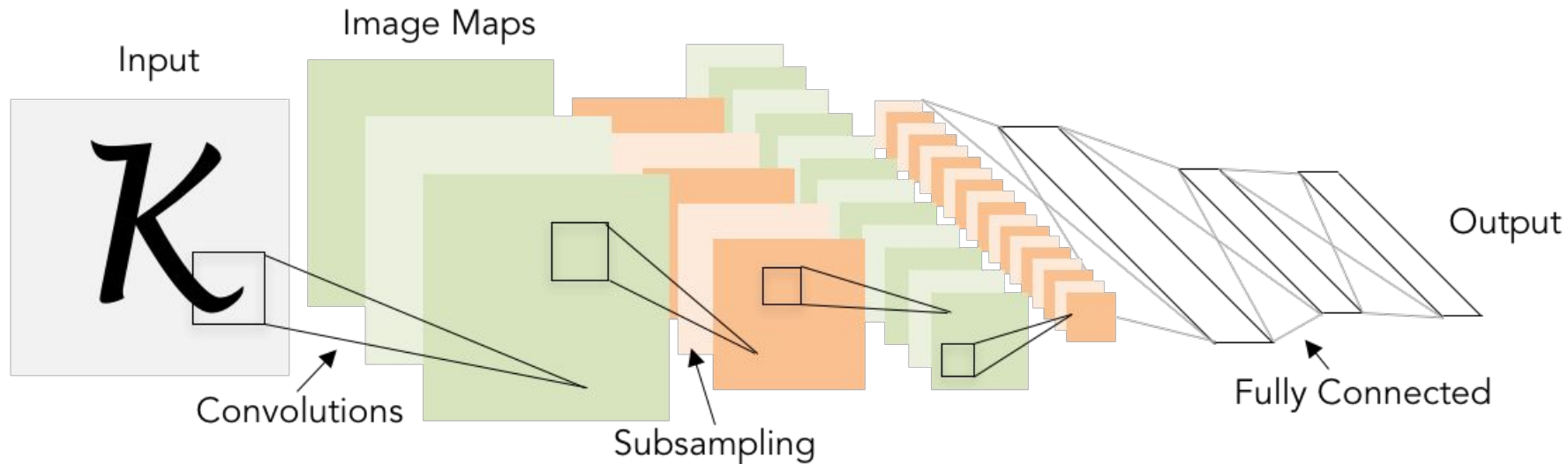
3. Evaluation

model ensembles: simple 2% boost

CNN architectures

LeNet-5

[LeCun et al., 1998]



Conv filters were 5x5, applied at stride 1

Subsampling (Pooling) layers were 2x2 applied at stride 2

i.e. architecture is [CONV-POOL-CONV-POOL-FC-FC]

ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge (ILSVRC) winners

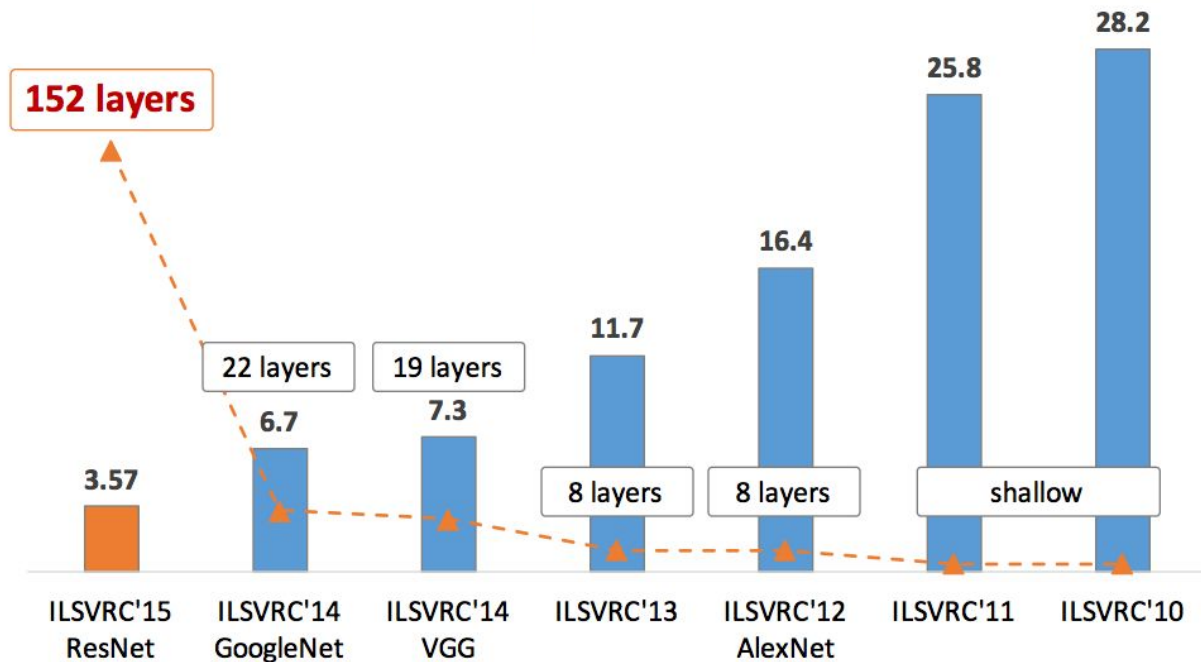


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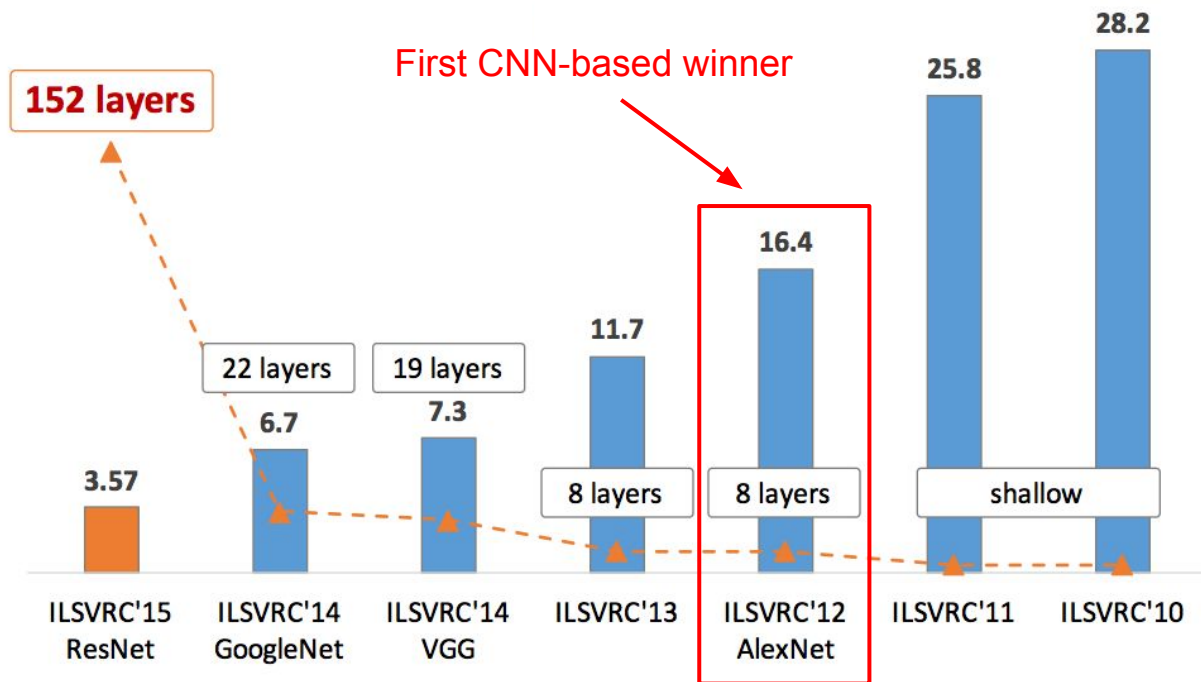


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AlexNet

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

Architecture:

CONV1

MAX POOL1

NORM1

CONV2

MAX POOL2

NORM2

CONV3

CONV4

CONV5

Max POOL3

FC6

FC7

FC8

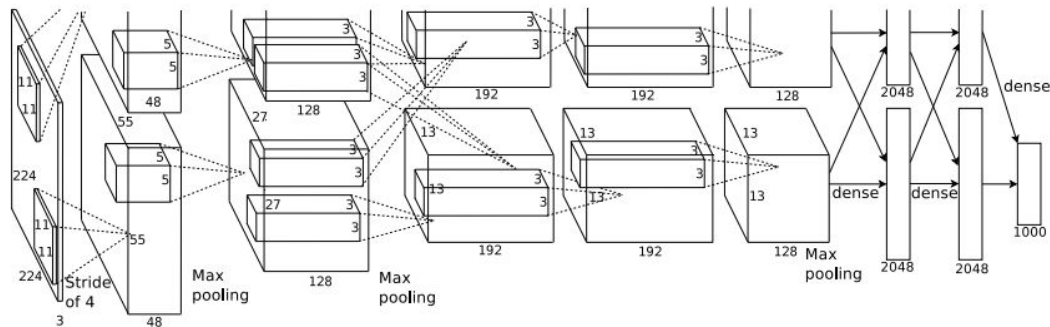


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Case Study: AlexNet

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

Full (simplified) AlexNet architecture:

[227x227x3] INPUT

[55x55x96] **CONV1**: 96 11x11 filters at stride 4, pad 0

[27x27x96] **MAX POOL1**: 3x3 filters at stride 2

[27x27x96] **NORM1**: Normalization layer

[27x27x256] **CONV2**: 256 5x5 filters at stride 1, pad 2

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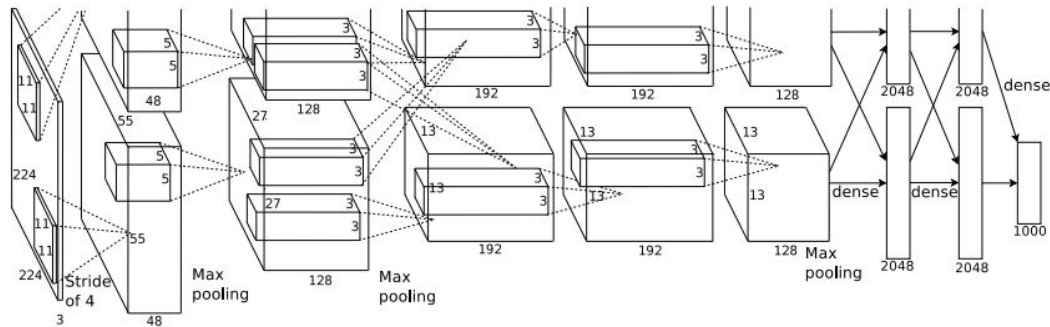


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Case Study: AlexNet

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

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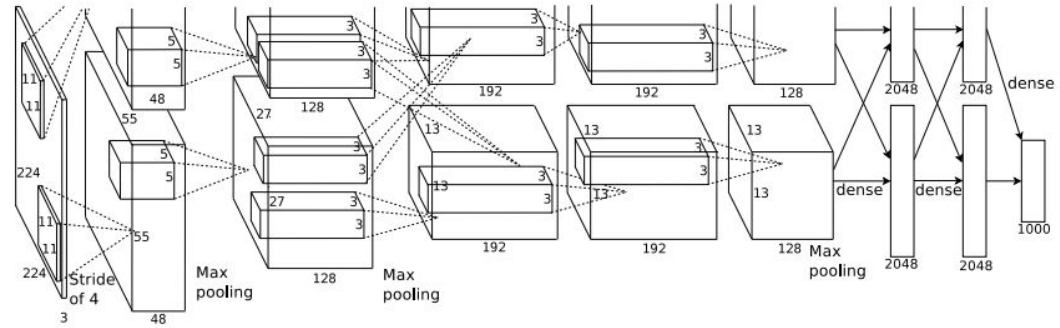
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Details/Retrospectives:

- first use of ReLU
- used Norm layers (not common anymore)
- heavy data augmentation
- dropout 0.5
- batch size 128
- SGD Momentum 0.9
- Learning rate 1e-2, reduced by 10 manually when val accuracy plateaus
- L2 weight decay 5e-4
- 7 CNN ensemble: 18.2% -> 15.4%

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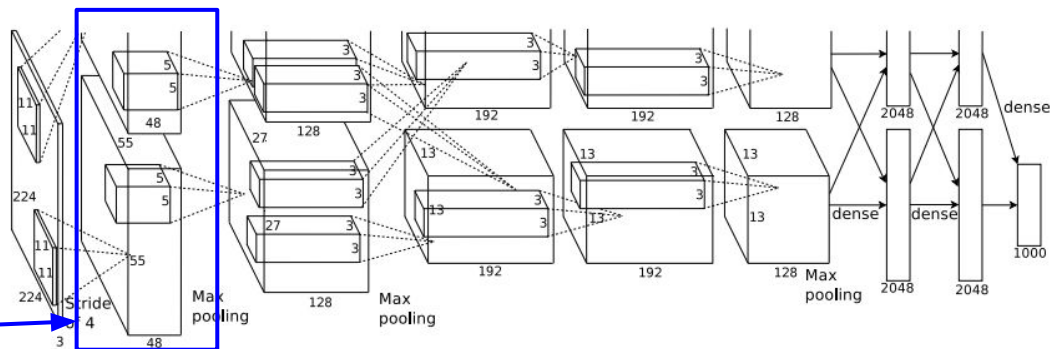
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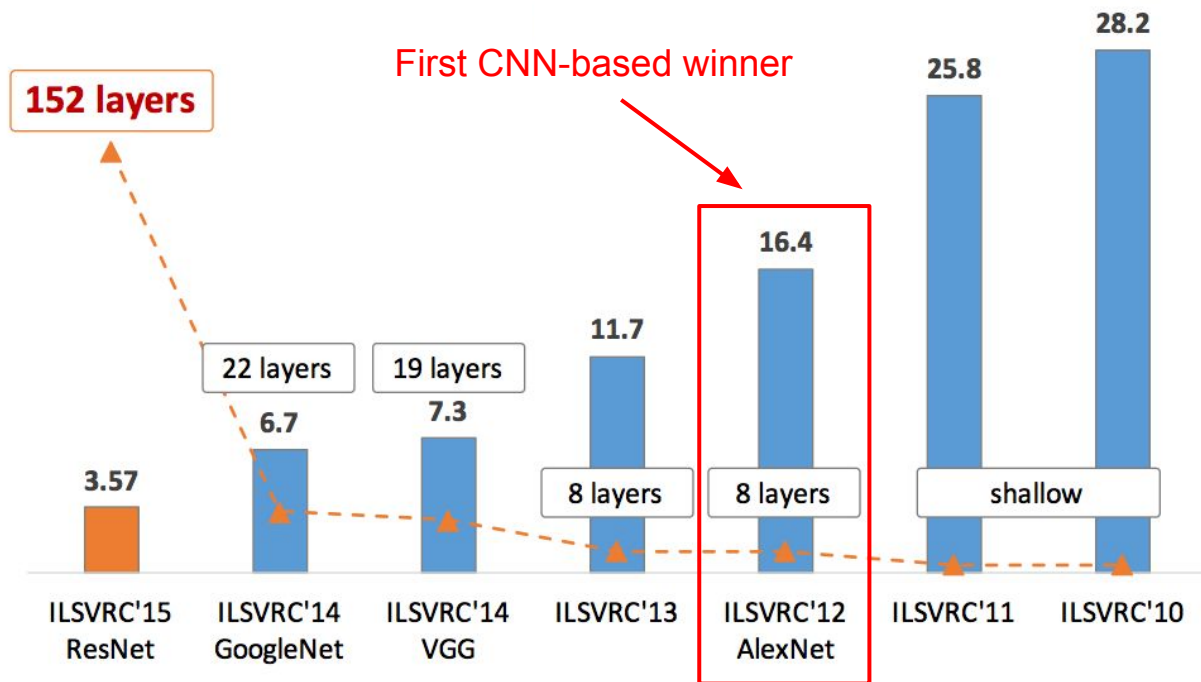


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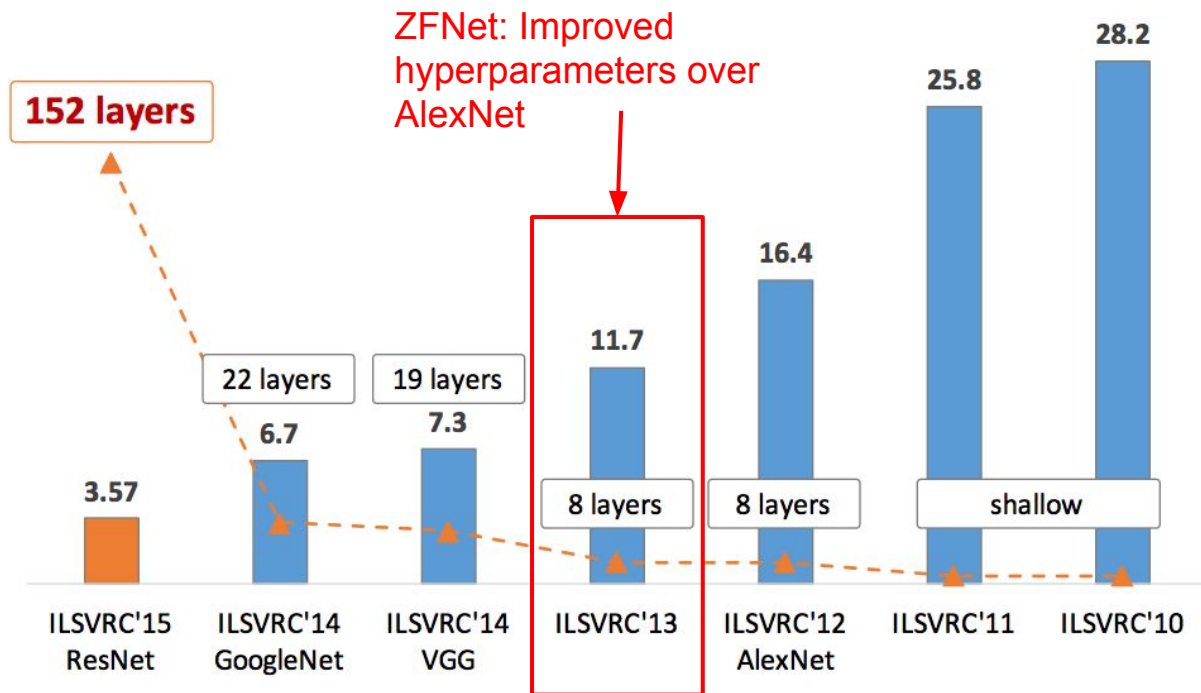


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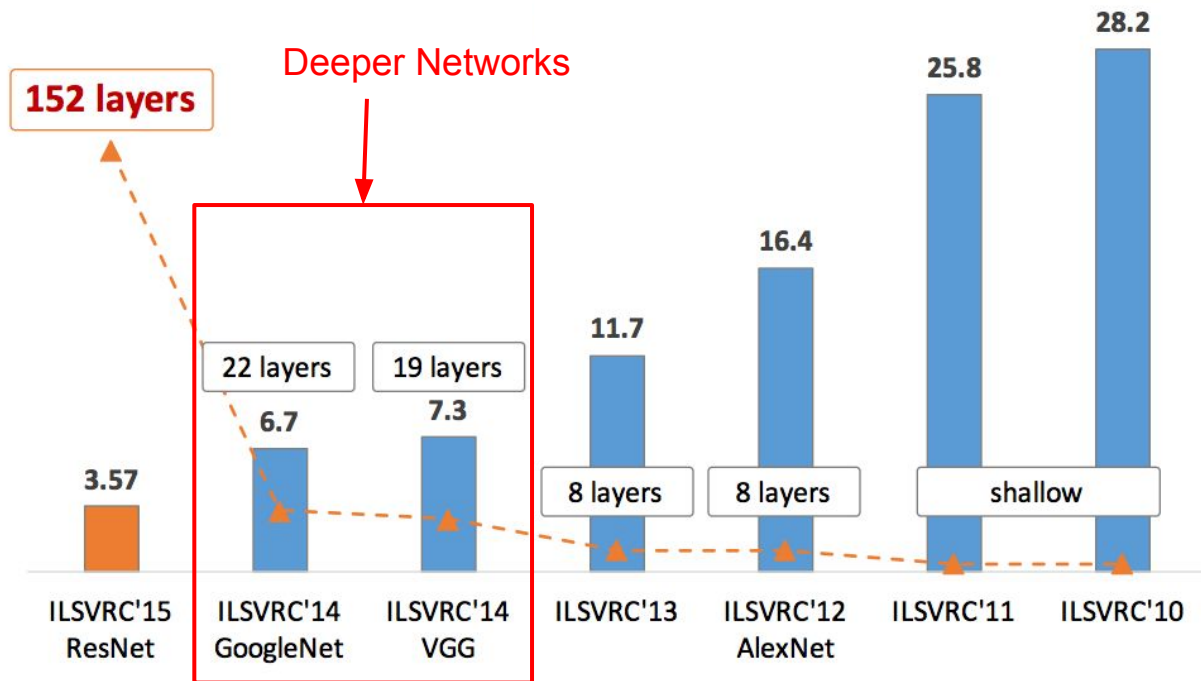


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Case Study: VGGNet

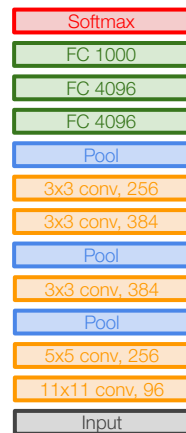
[Simonyan and Zisserman, 2014]

Small filters, Deeper networks

8 layers (AlexNet)

-> 16 - 19 layers (VGG16Net)

Only 3x3 CONV stride 1, pad 1
and 2x2 MAX POOL stride 2



AlexNet



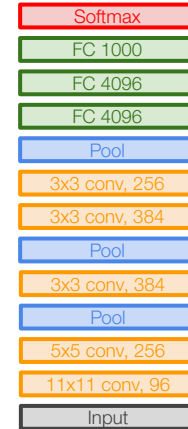
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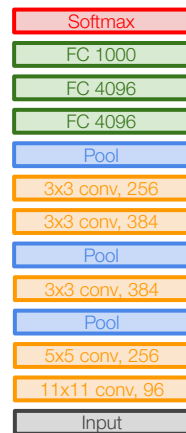
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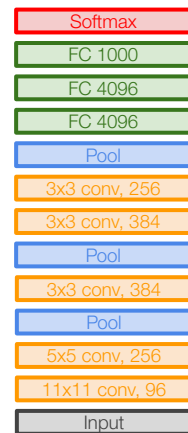
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AlexNet



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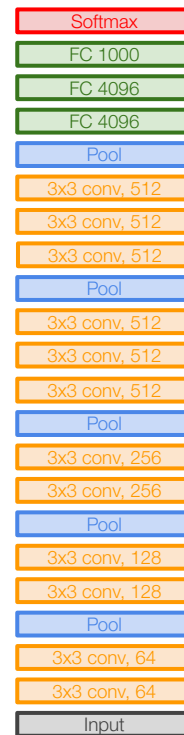
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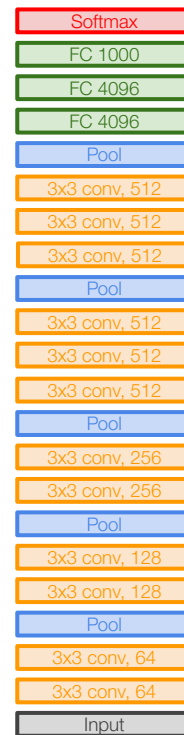
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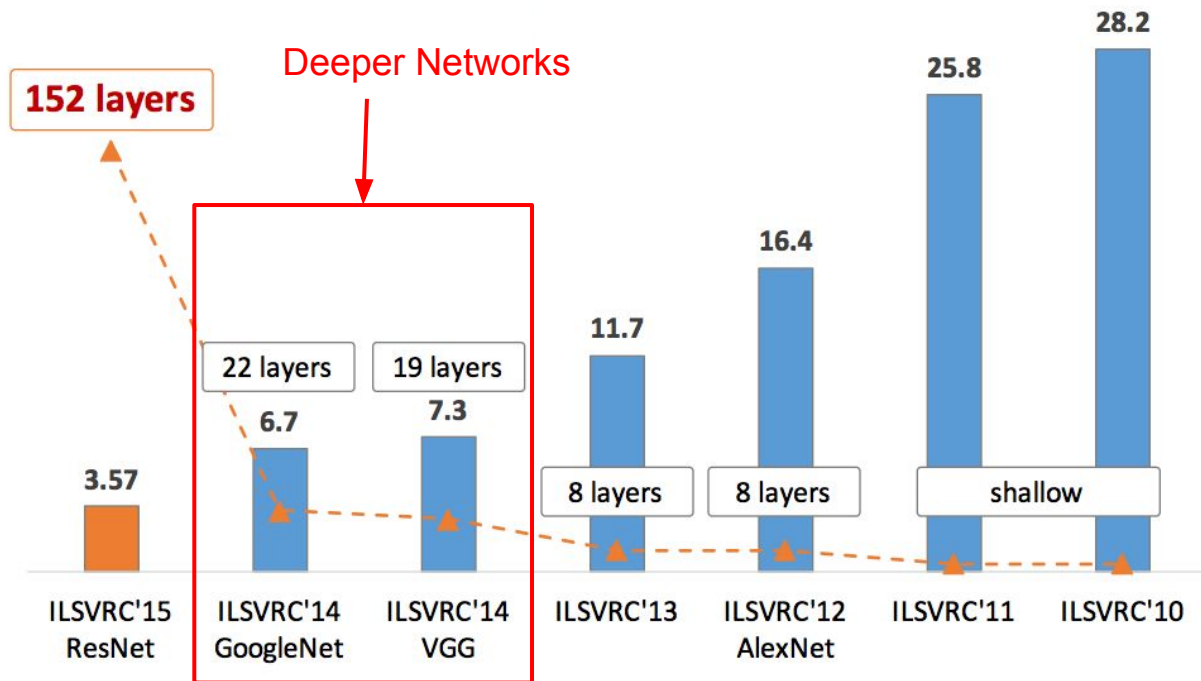


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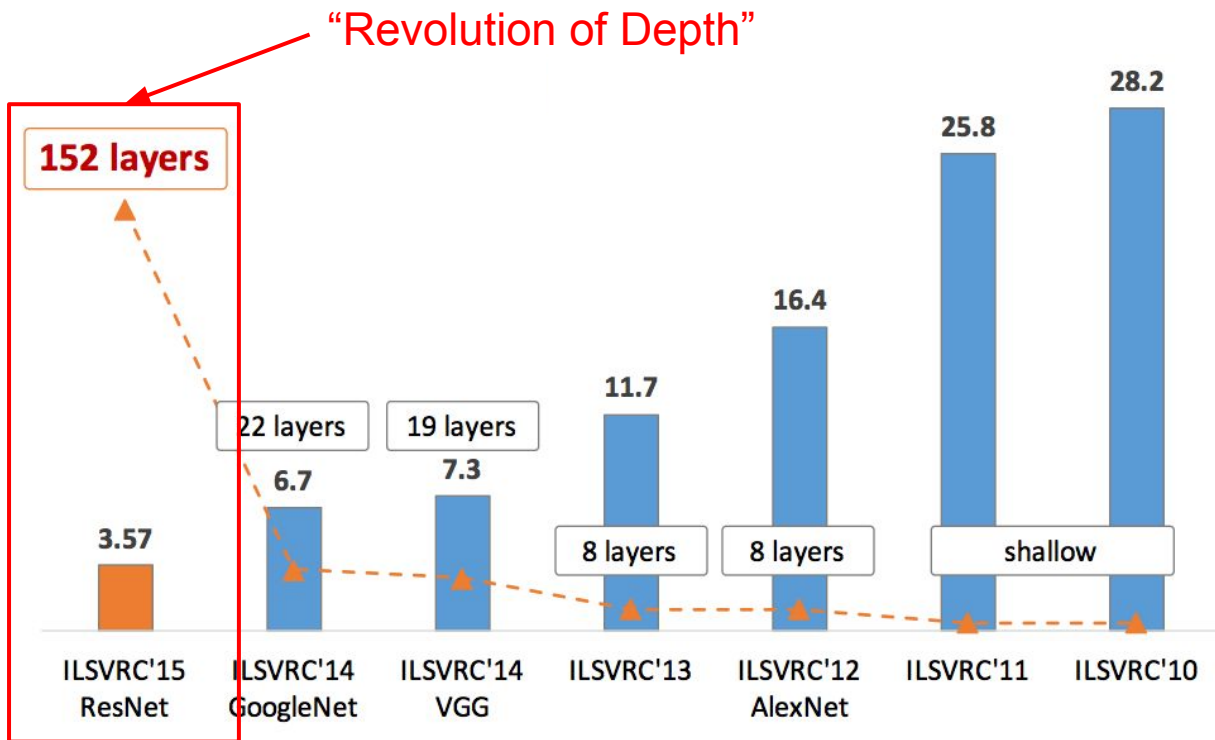


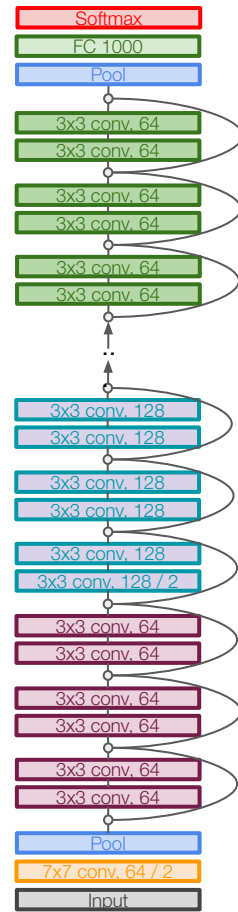
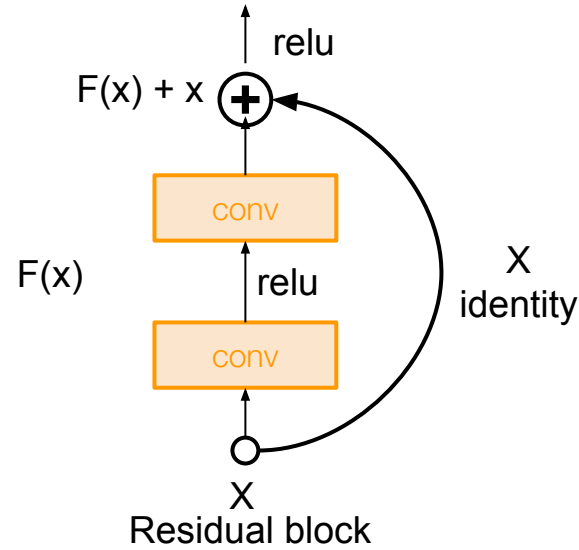
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Case Study: ResNet

[He et al., 2015]

Very deep networks using residual connections

- 152-layer model for ImageNet
- ILSVRC'15 classification winner (3.57% top 5 error)
- Swept all classification and detection competitions in ILSVRC'15 and COCO'15!



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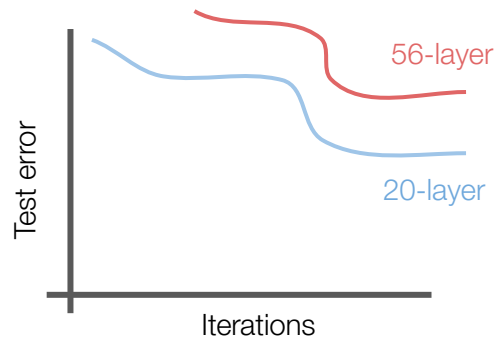
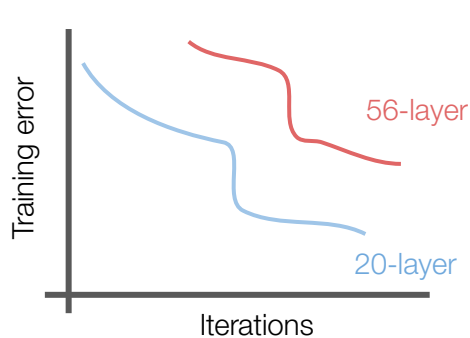
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Q: What's strange about these training and test curves?

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56-layer model performs worse on both training and test error
-> The deeper model performs worse, but it's not caused by overfitting!

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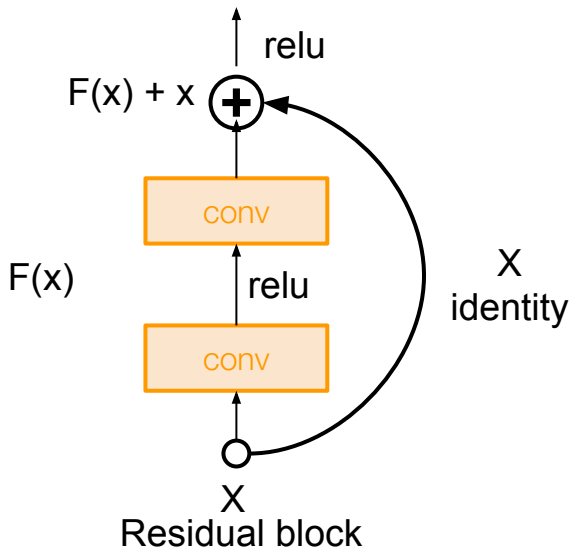
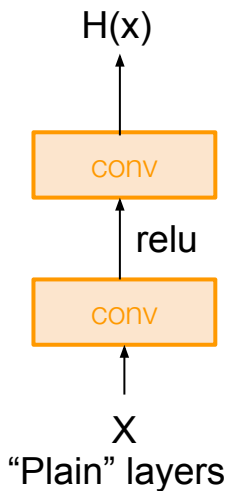
The deeper model should be able to perform at least as well as the shallower model.

A solution by construction is copying the learned layers from the shallower model and setting additional layers to identity mapping.

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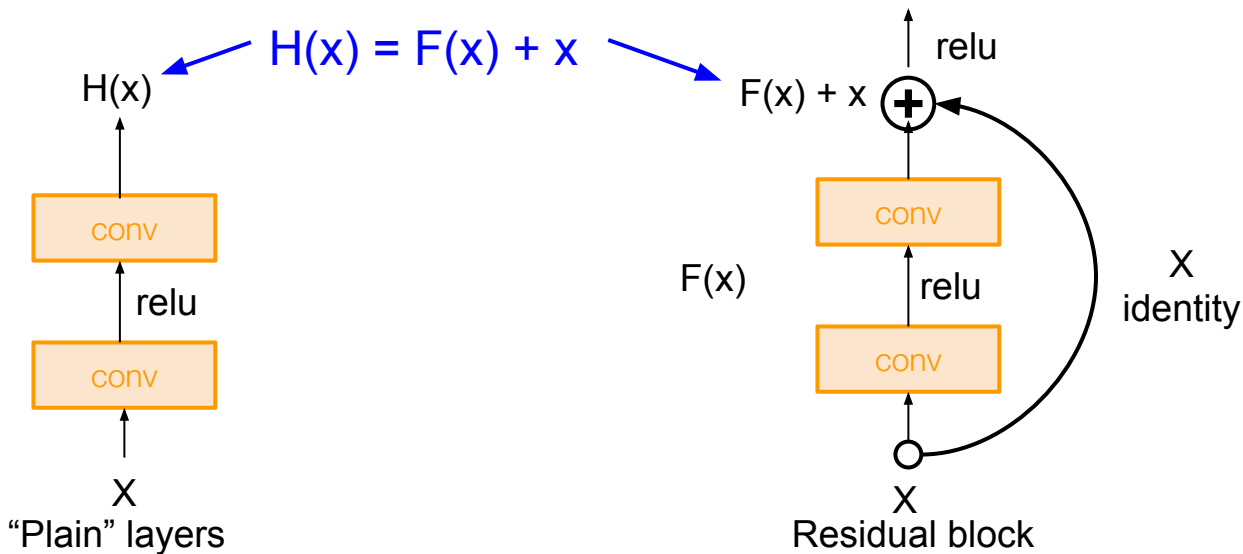
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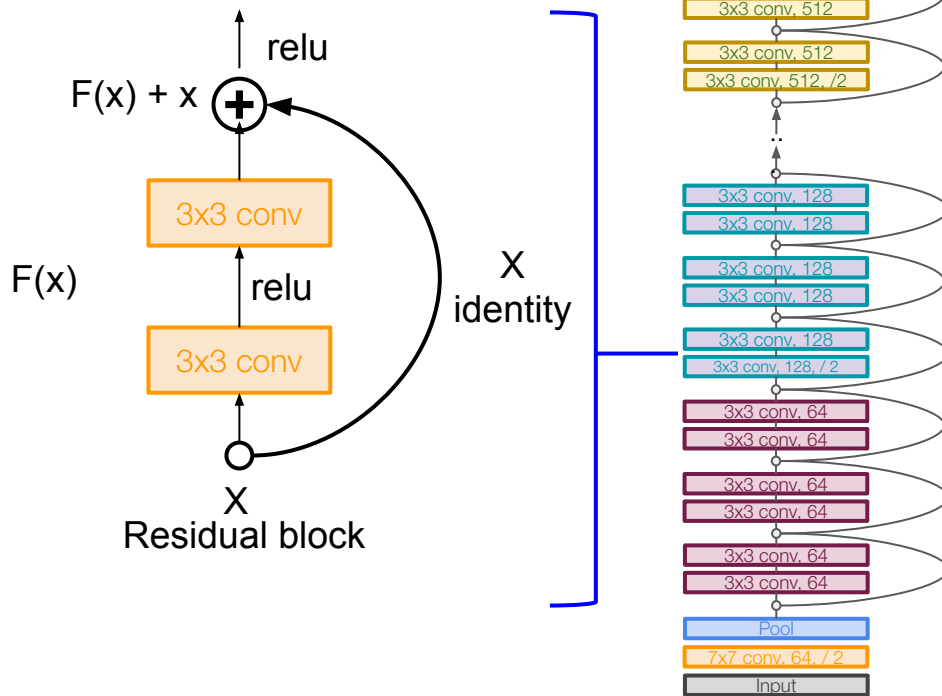
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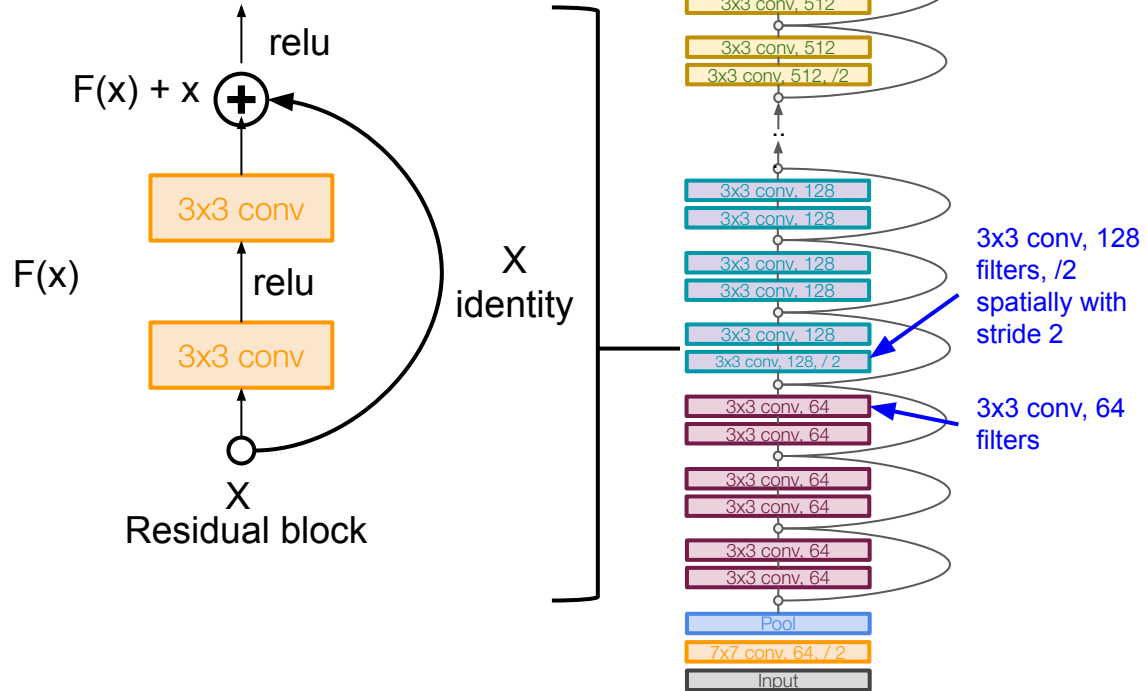


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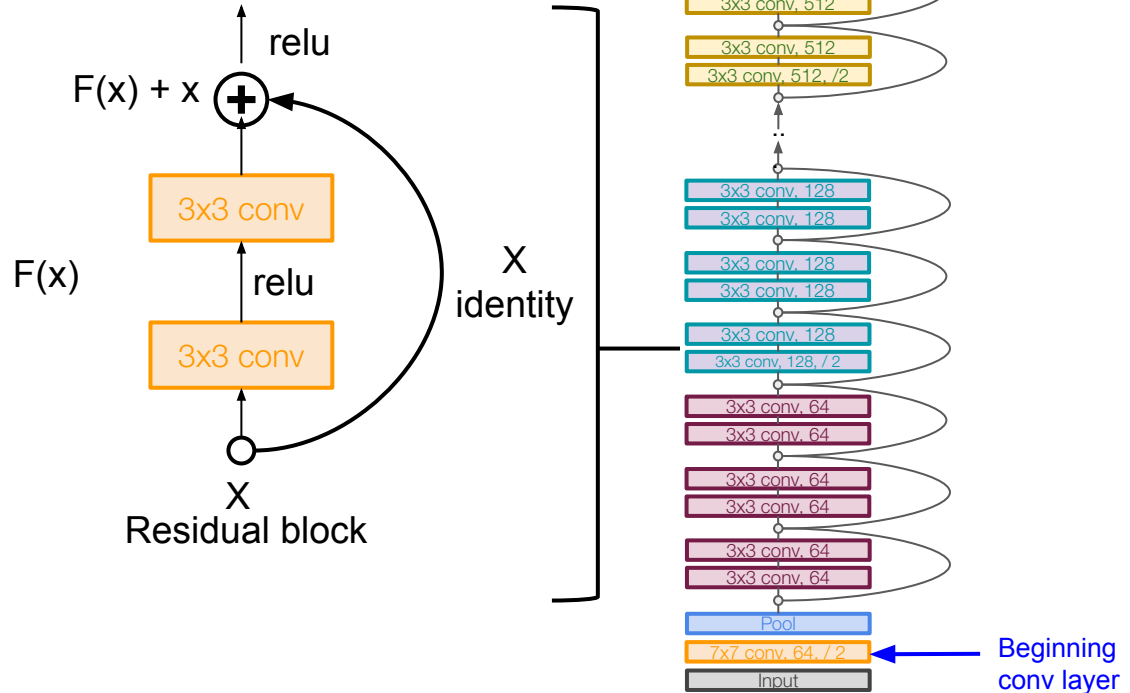


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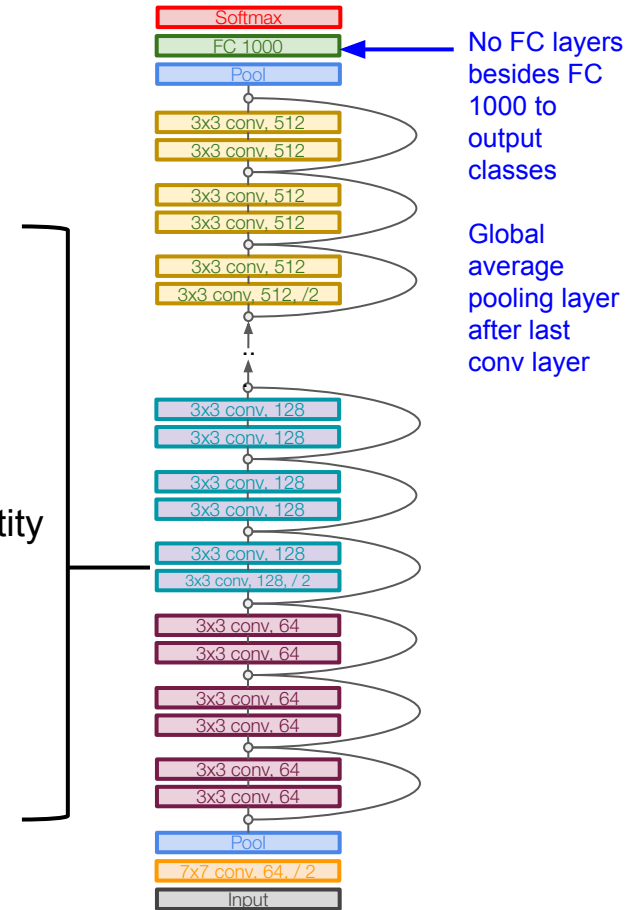
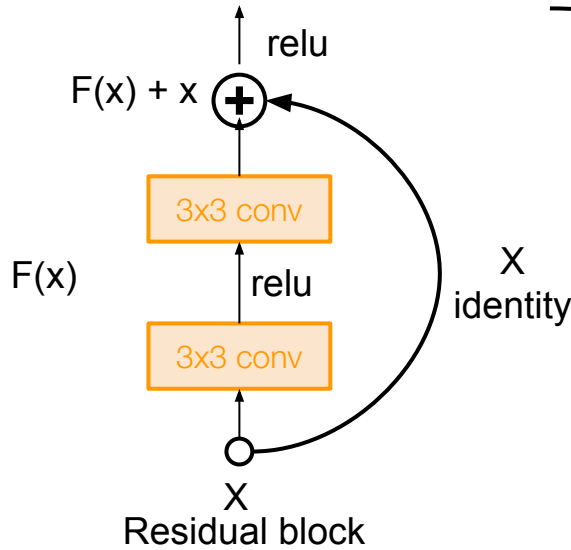


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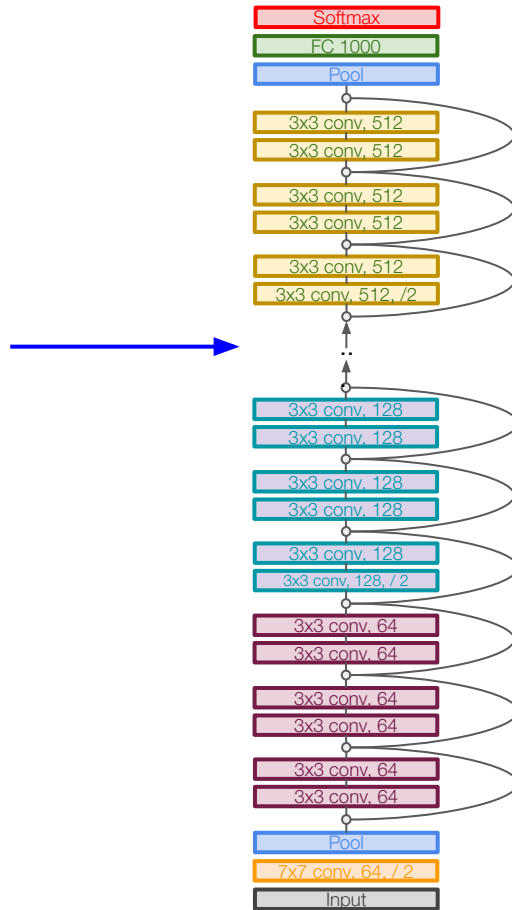
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Total depths of 34, 50, 101, or
152 layers for ImageNet



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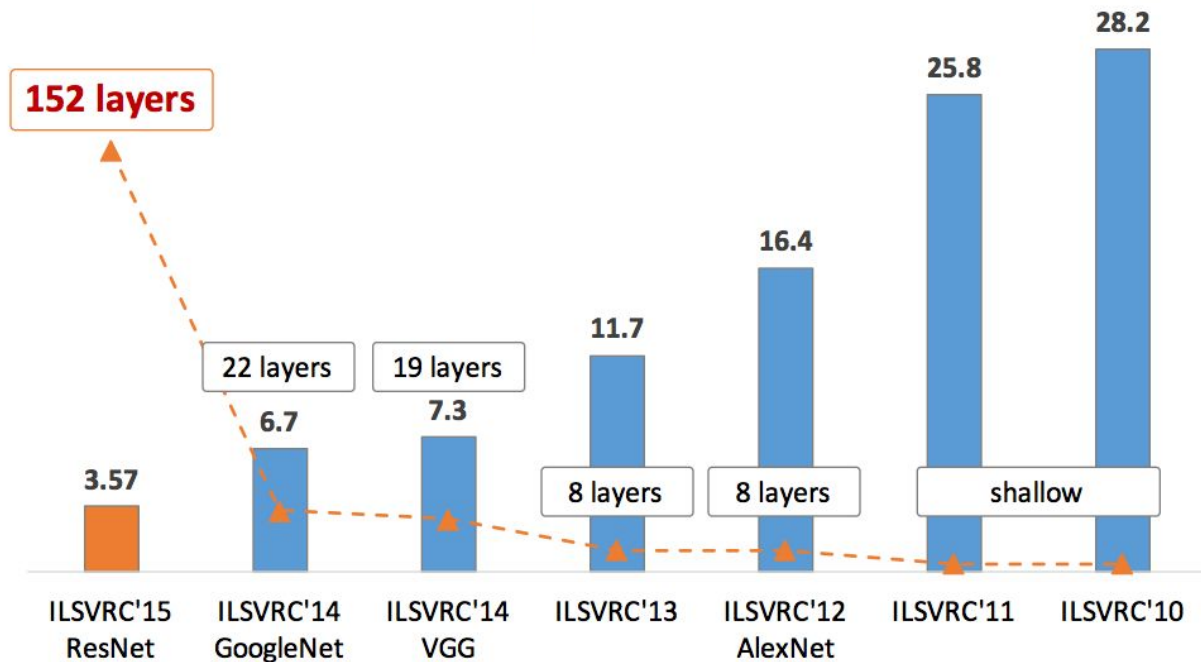
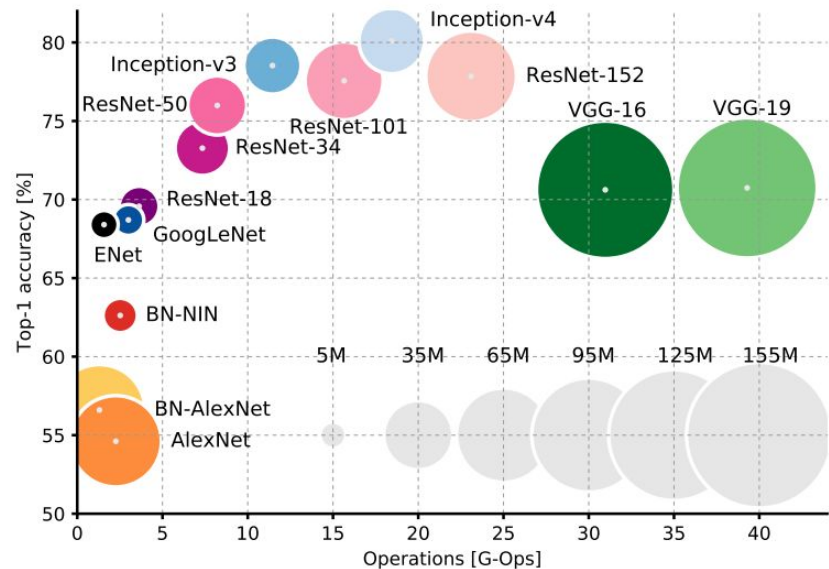
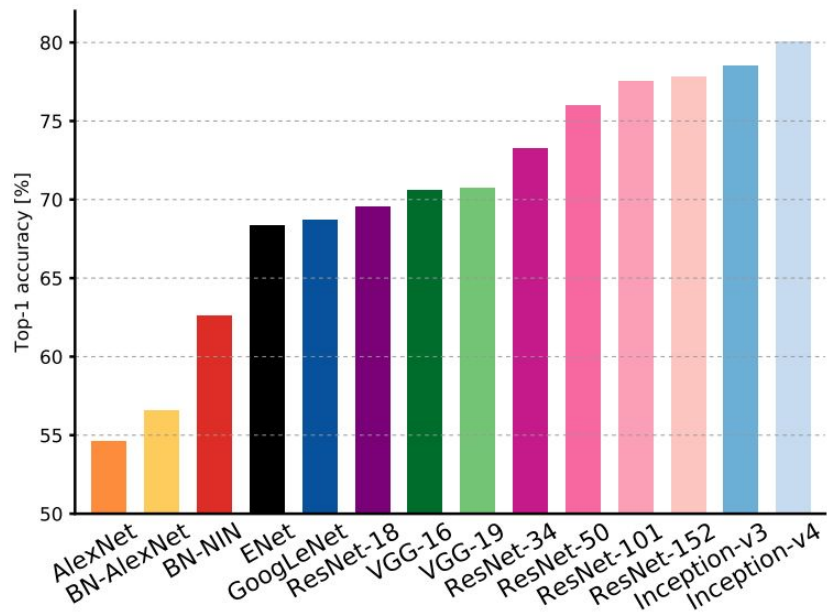


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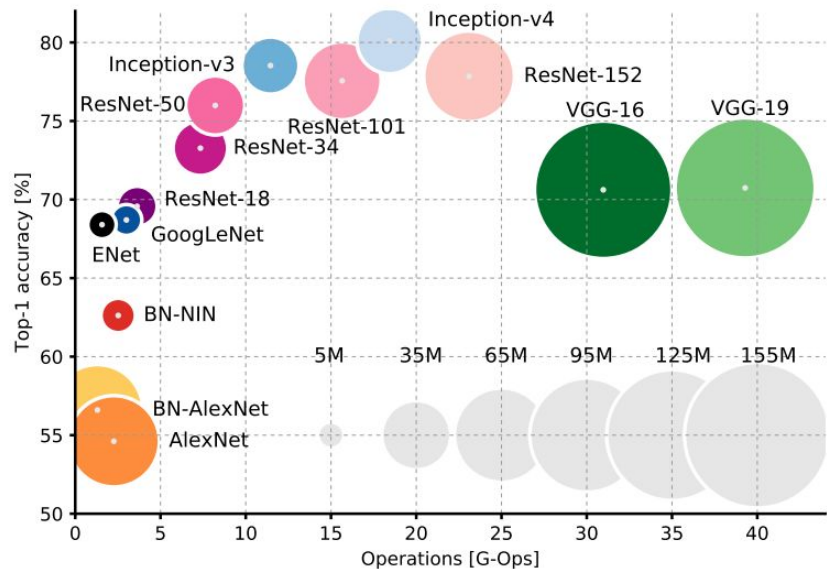
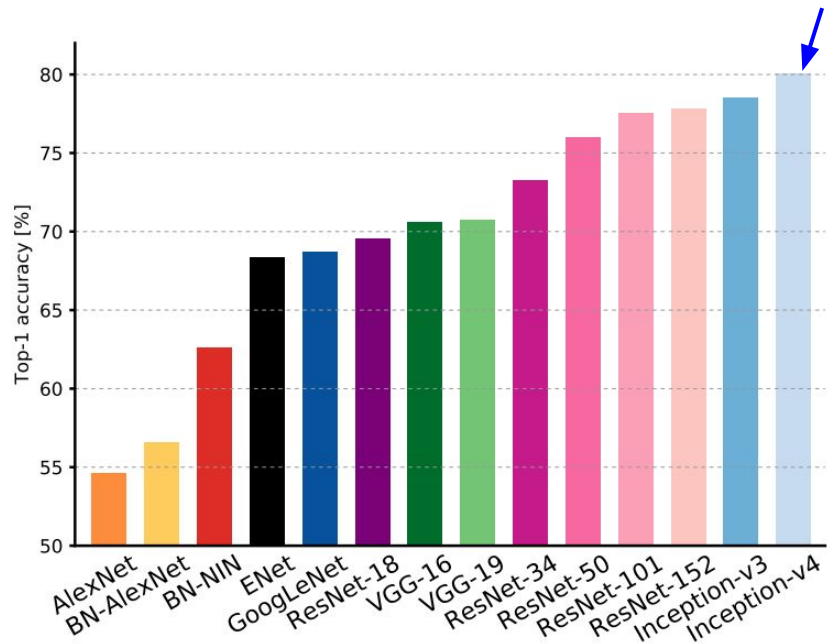


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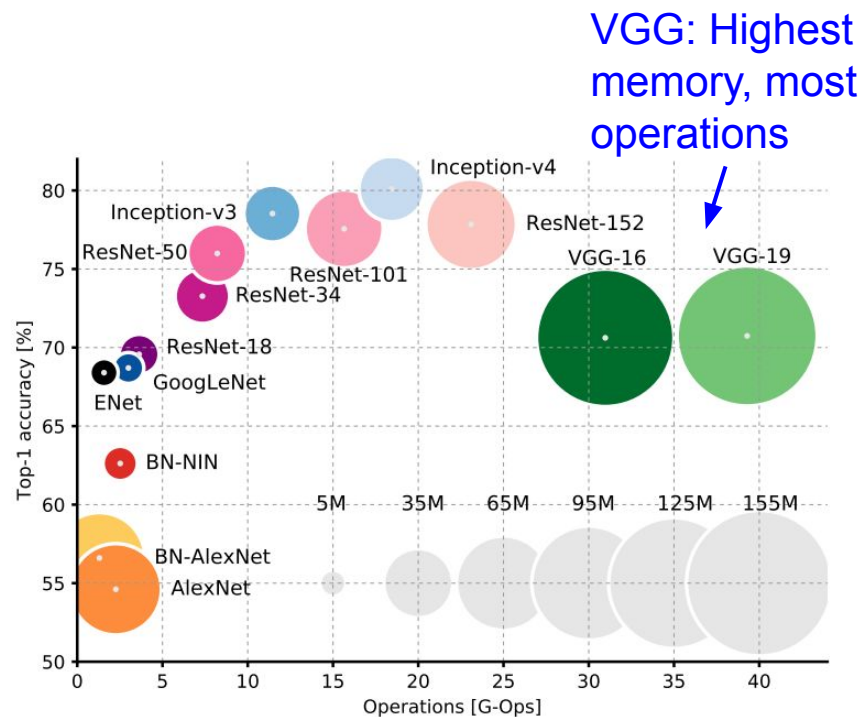
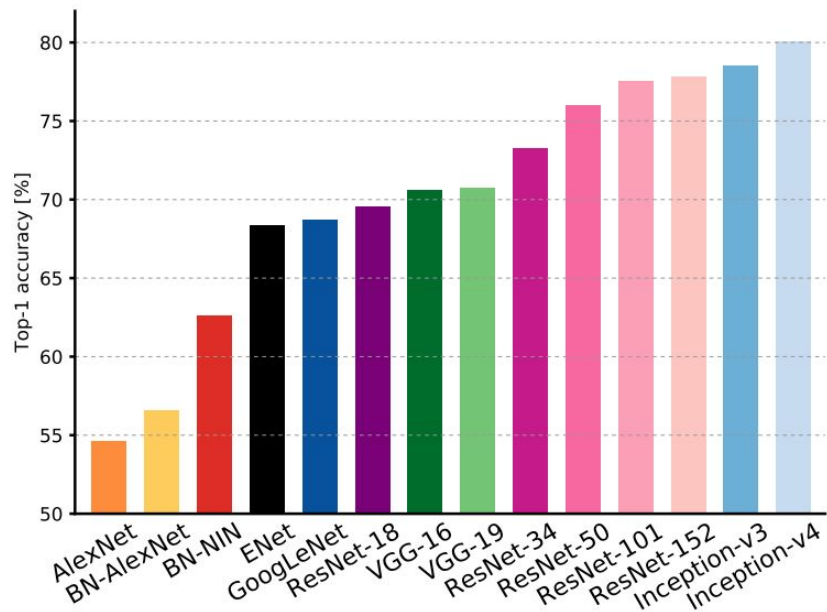
Inception-v4: Resnet + Inception!



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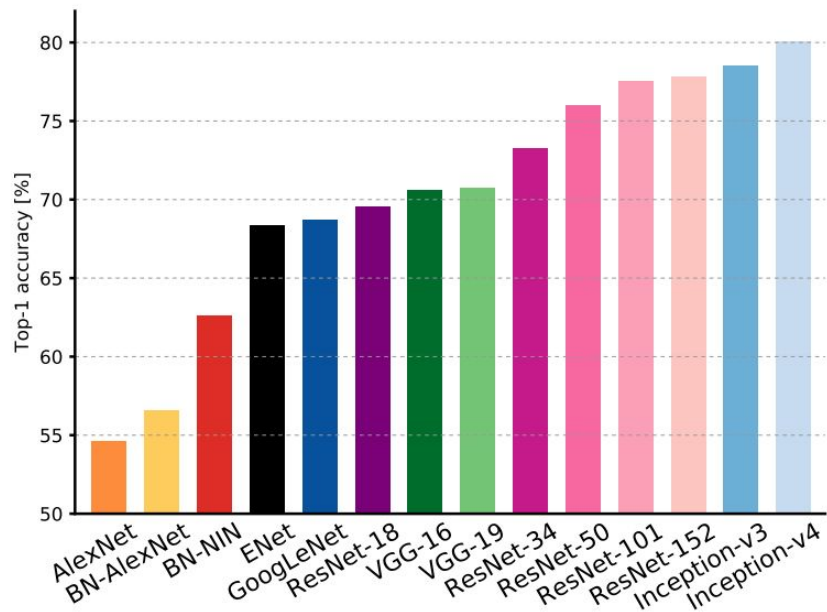
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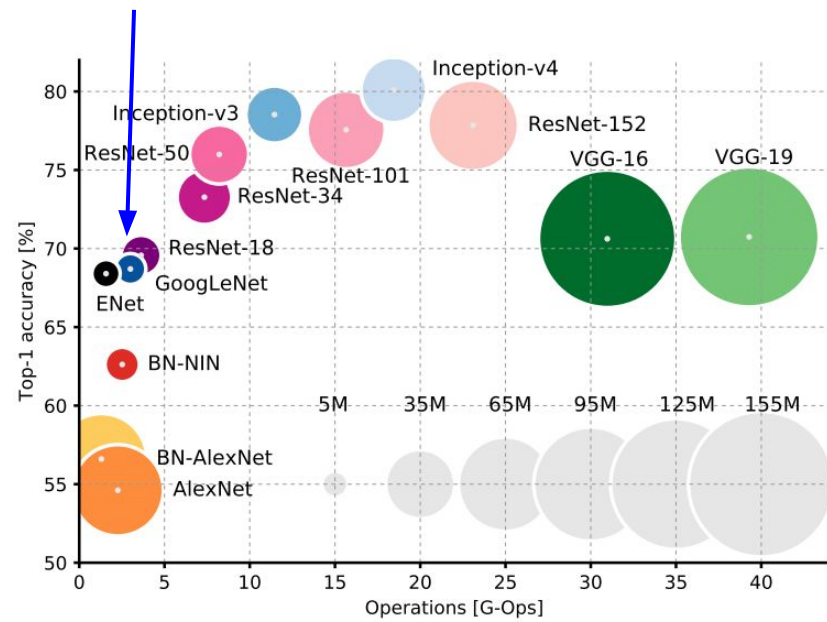
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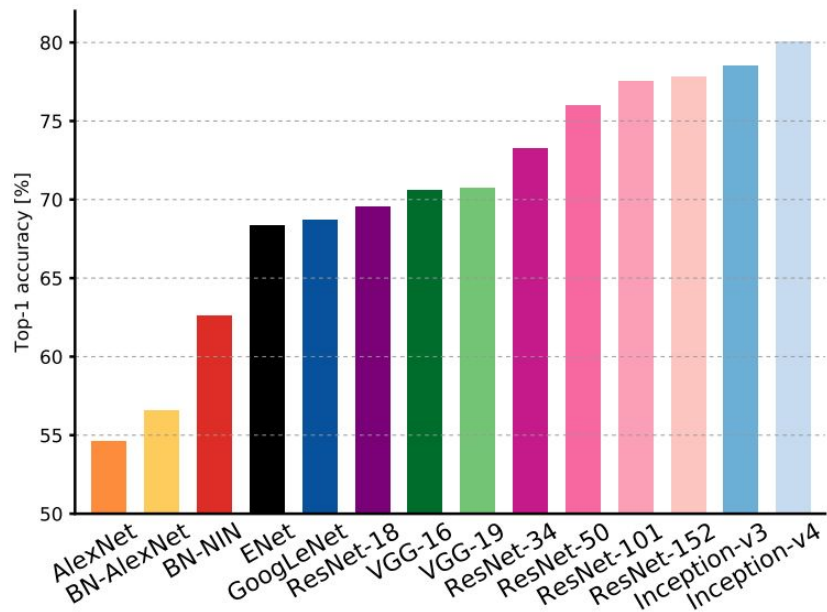
GoogLeNet:
most efficient



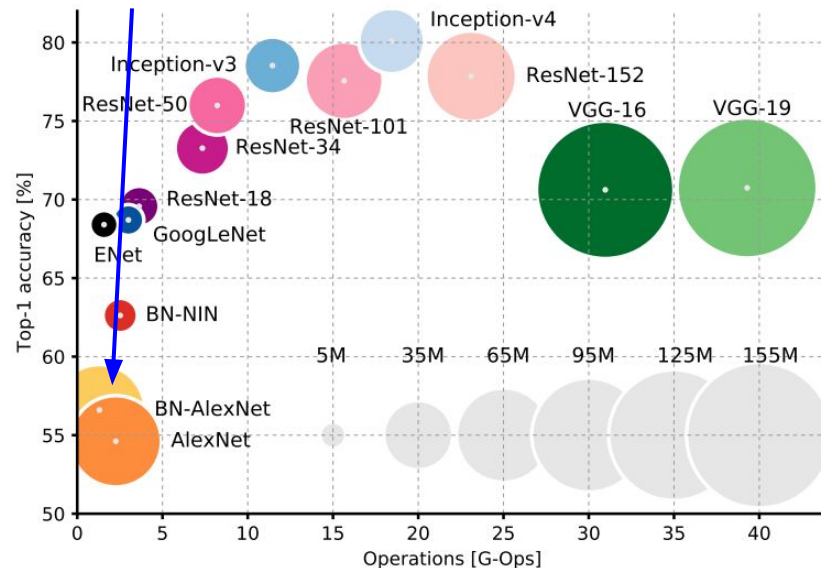
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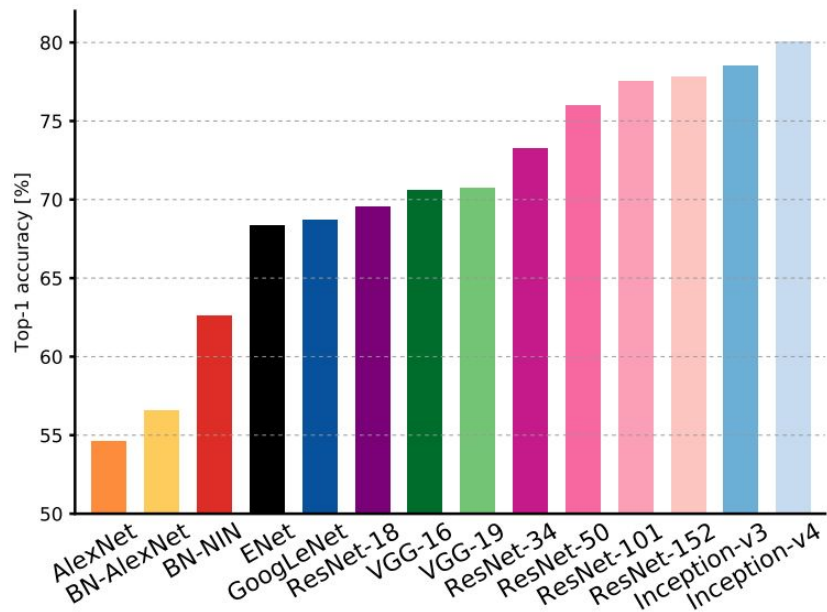
AlexNet:
Smaller compute, still memory heavy, lower accuracy



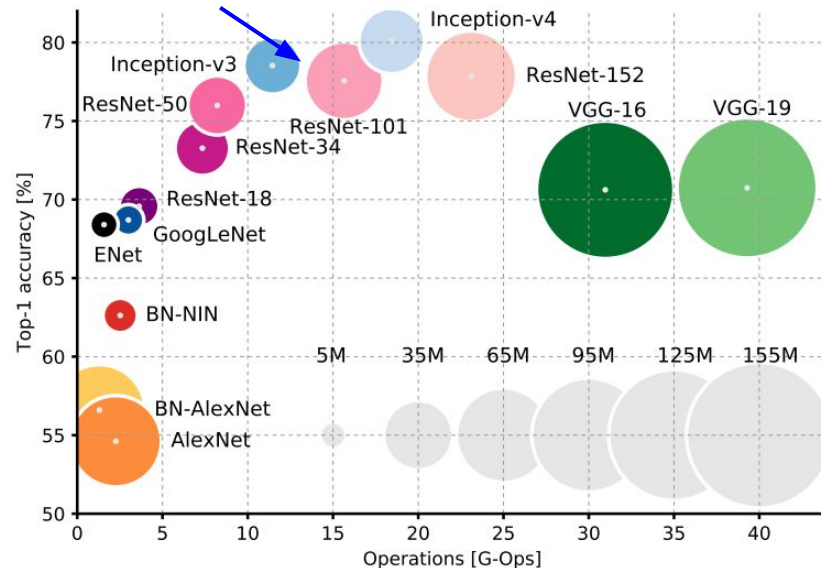
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ResNet:
Moderate efficiency depending on
model, highest accuracy



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