EEP 596: LLMs: From Transformers to GPT || Lecture 3

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Deep Learning References

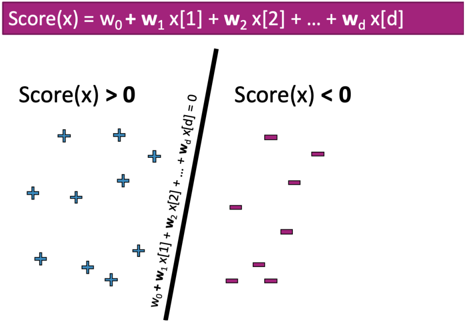
Deep Learning

Great reference for the theory and fundamentals of deep learning: Book by Goodfellow and Bengio et al Bengio et al
Deep Learning History Sentence Embeddings

Recap from last lecture

- Perceptron
- OR/AND functions
- XOR
- Activation Functions

Perceptron



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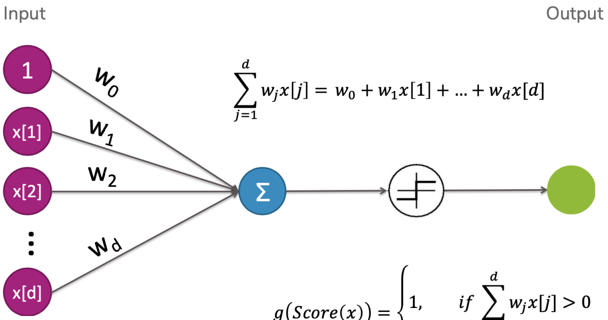
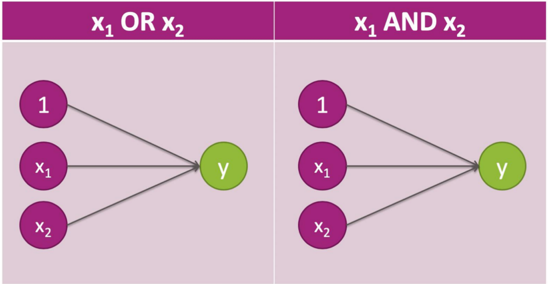


$$\sum_{j=1}^{d} w_j x[j] = w_0 + w_1 x[1] + \ldots + w_d x[d]$$

$$g(Score(x)) = \begin{cases} 1, & if \sum_{j=1}^{d} w_j x[j] > 0 \\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$

OR and AND Functions

What can a perceptrons represent?



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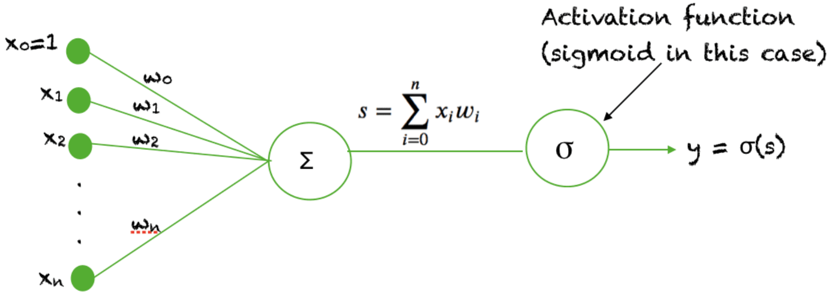
LR represented Graphically



XOR through Multi-layer perceptron

This is a 2-layer neural network

$y = x[1]\ XOR\ x[2] = (x[1]\ AND\ !\,x[2])\ OR\ (!\,x[1]\ AND\ x[2])$

$v[1] = (x[1]\ AND\ !\,x[2])$
$\quad = g(-0.5 + x[1] - x[2])$

$v[2] = (!\,x[1]\ AND\ x[2])$
$\quad = g(-0.5 - x[1] + x[2])$

$y = v[1]\ OR\ v[2]$
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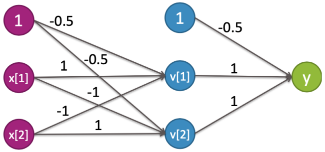

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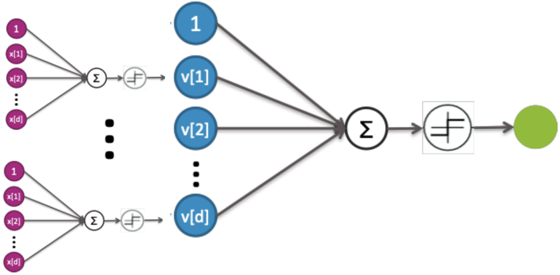

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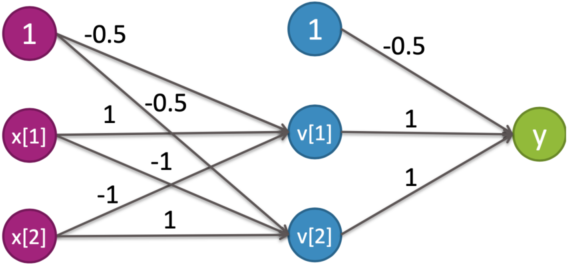
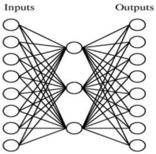


2 Layer Neural Network

Two layer neural network (alt. one hidden-layer neural network)



Single

$$out(x) = g\left(w_0 + \sum_j w_j x[j]\right)$$

1-hidden layer

$$out(x) = g\left(w_0 + \sum_k w_k g\left(w_0^{(k)} + \sum_j w_j^{(k)} x[j]\right)\right)$$

Deep Learning: Activations, FFN and more

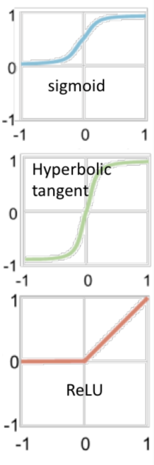
Choices for Non-Linear Activation Function

•Sigmoid
-Historically popular, but (mostly) fallen out of favor
•Neuron's activation saturates
(weights get very large -> gradients get small)
•Not zero-centered -> other issues in the gradient steps
-When put on the output layer, called "softmax" because interpreted as class probability (soft assignment)

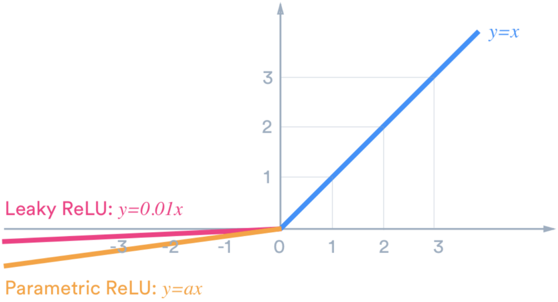
•Hyperbolic tangent $g(x) = \tanh(x)$
-Saturates like sigmoid unit, but zero-centered

•Rectified linear unit (ReLU) $g(x) = x^+ = \max(0,x)$
-Most popular choice these days
-Fragile during training and neurons can "die off"… be careful about learning rates
-"Noisy" or "leaky" variants

•Softplus $g(x) = \log(1+\exp(x))$
-Smooth approximation to rectifier activation



RELU vs Leaky RELU



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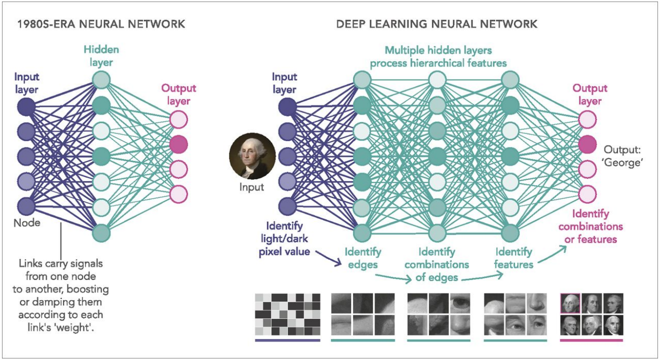

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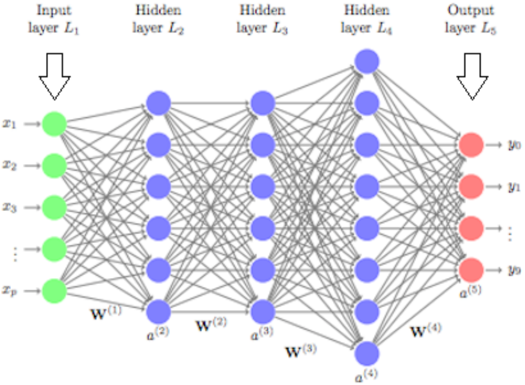

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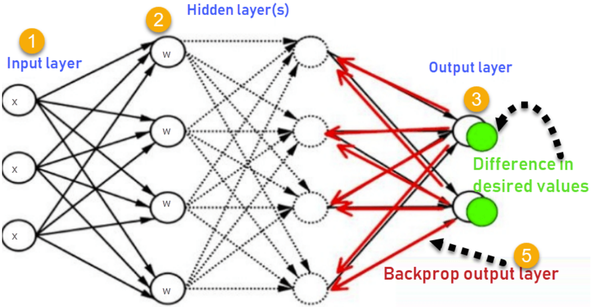
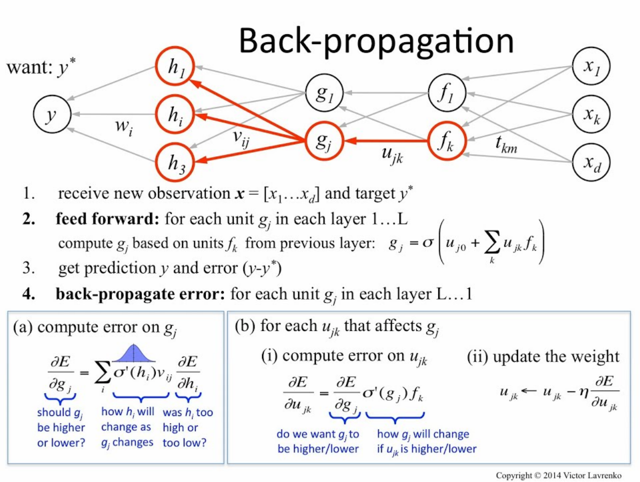
How do we compute gradient in a DNN?

Back-propagation!

Forward Propagation vs Back-propagation



Back Propagation explained



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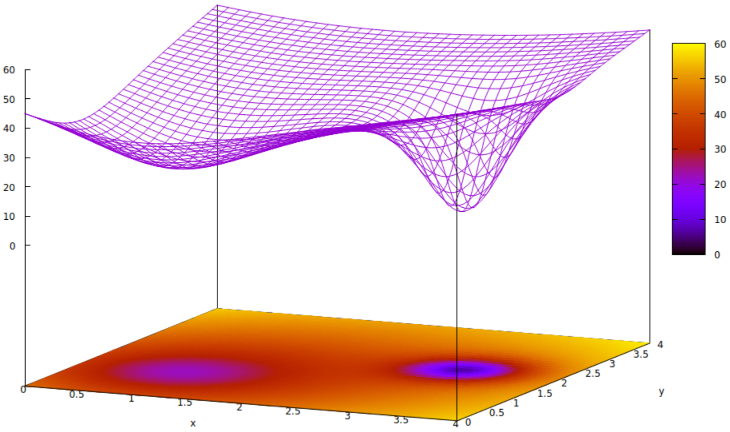
Back Prop as information flow

It can also be thought of as flow information from the error in the output (the loss function) down to the weights. Update the weights so we don't make **this error** next time around. Back prop is a way to do **gradient descent in neural networks!**

Good vs Bad Local minima



Hyper-parameters in Deep Learning

ICE #1: Which of the following is not a hyper-parameter in deep learning?

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2. Number of Hidden Layers
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4. All of the above

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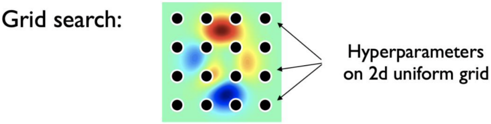

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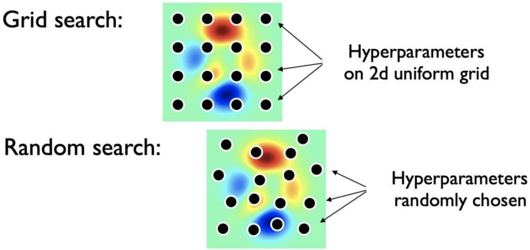

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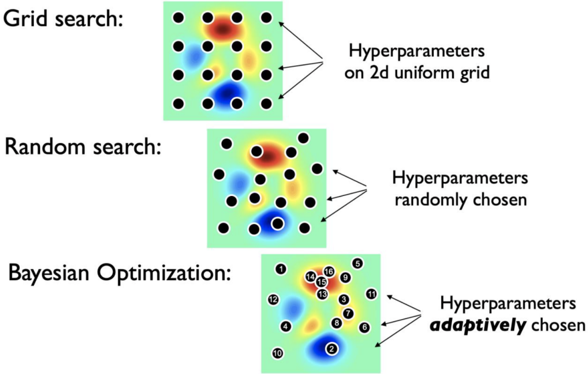

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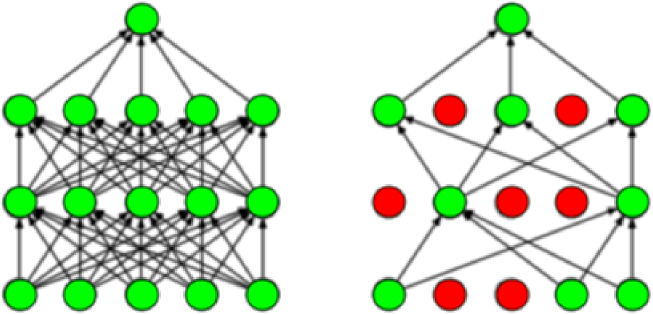
Taking care of Over-fitting: Dropouts



(a) Standard Neural Net

(b) After applying dropout.

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More DL Architectures

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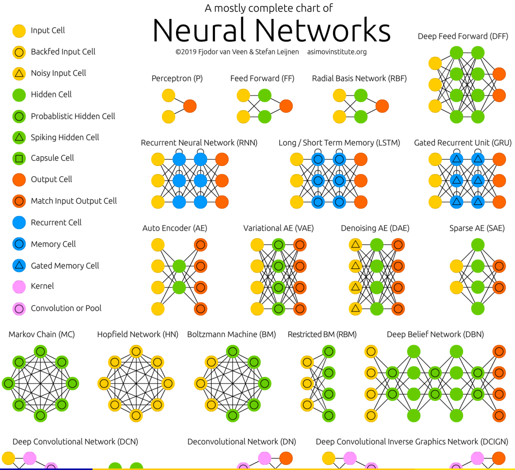

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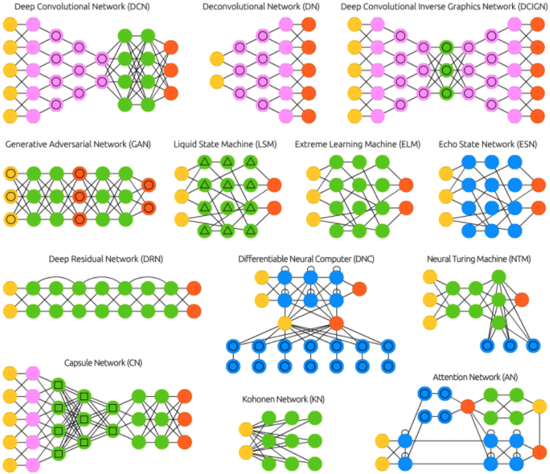

Sequence structure in NLP

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Have to carry the **context(state)** from some-time back to fully understand what's happening!

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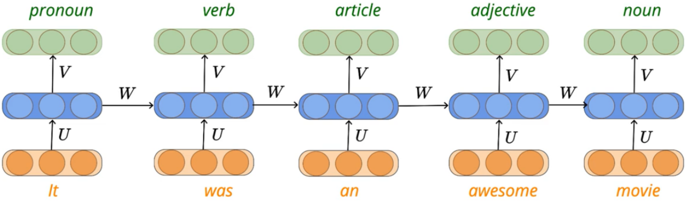

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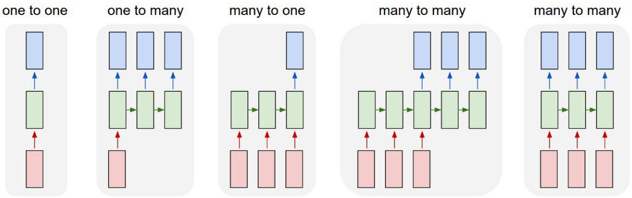

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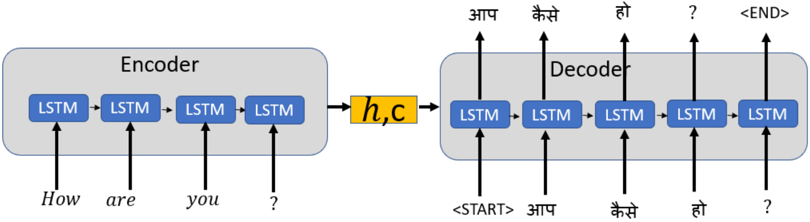

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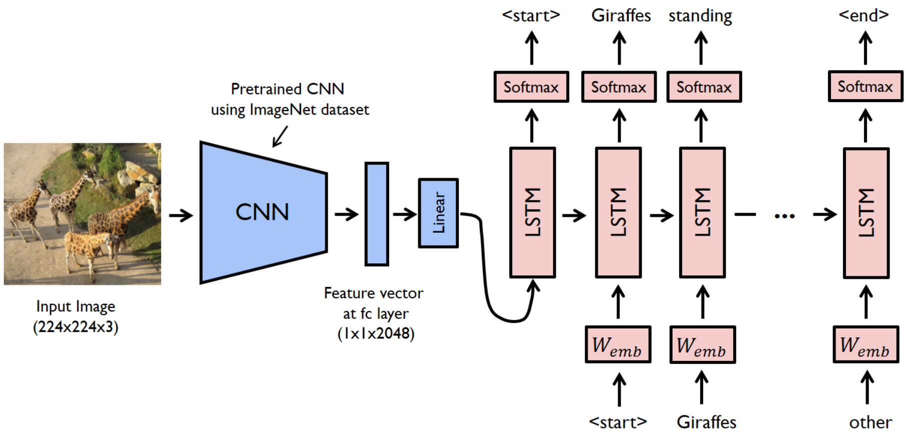

Breakouts Time #1

Auto-complete — 5 mins

Let's say you are tasked with building an in-email auto-completion application, which can help complete partial sentences into full sentences through suggestions (auto-complete). How would you use what we have learned so far to model this? What architecture would you use? What would be your data? And what are some pitfalls or painpoints your model should address?