# CS489/698 Lecture 16: March 5, 2018

Deep Neural Networks [GBC] Chap. 6, 7, 8

## Outline

- Deep Neural Networks
  - Gradient Vanishing
    - Rectified linear units
  - Overfitting
    - Dropout
- Breakthroughs
  - Acoustic modeling in speech recognition
  - Image recognition

# Deep Neural Networks

- Definition: neural network with many hidden layers
- Advantage: high expressivity
- Challenges:
  - How should we train a deep neural network?
  - How can we avoid overfitting?

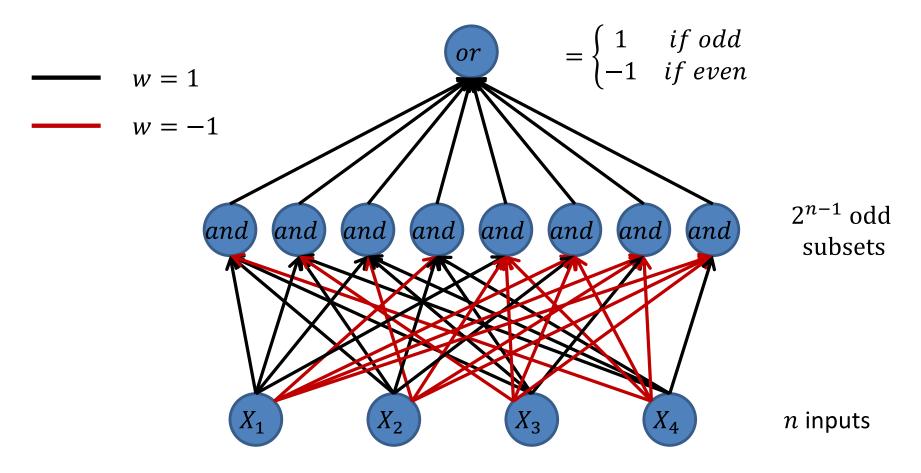
# Expressiveness

 Neural networks with one hidden layer of sigmoid/hyperbolic units can approximate arbitrarily closely neural networks with several layers of sigmoid/hyperbolic units

 However as we increase the number of layers, the number of units needed may decrease exponentially (with the number of layers)

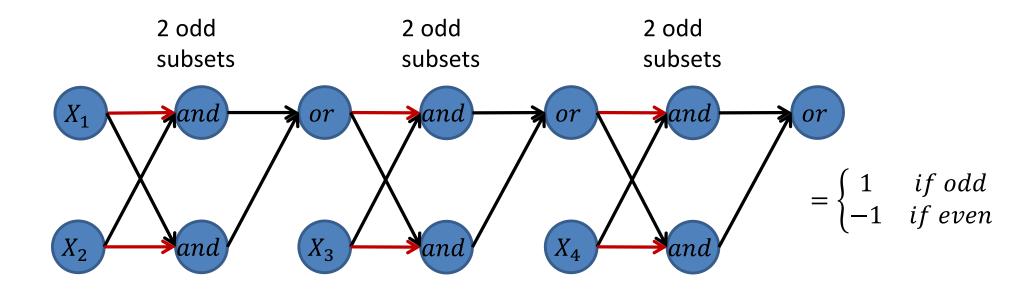
# Example – Parity Function

Single layer of hidden nodes



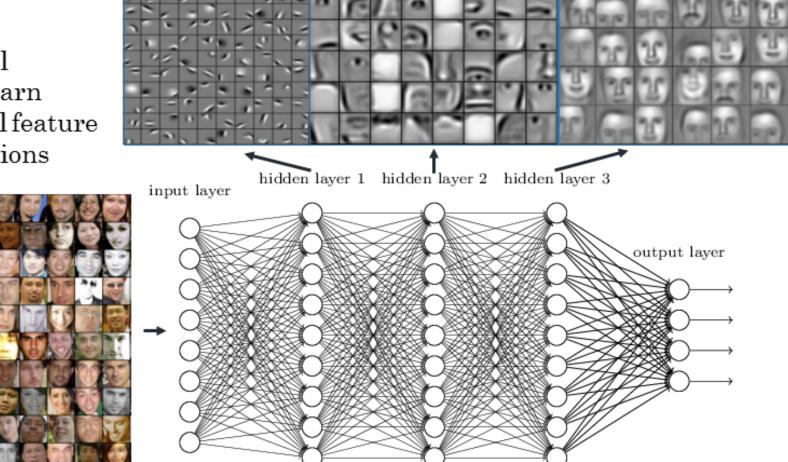
## Example – Parity Function

• 2n-2 layers of hidden nodes



# The power of depth (practice)

Deep neural networks learn hierarchical feature representations



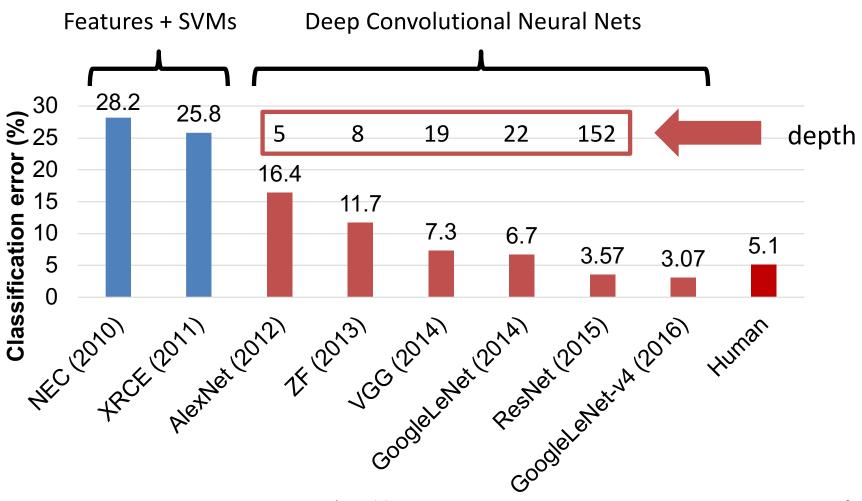
Challenge: how to train deep NNs?

# Speech

- 2006 (Hinton, al.): first effective algo for deep NN
  - layerwise training of Stacked Restricted Boltzmann Machines (SRBM)s
- 2009: Breakthrough in acoustic modeling
  - replace Gaussian Mixture Models by SRBMs
  - Improved speech recognition at Google, Microsoft, IBM
- 2013-today: recurrent neural nets (LSTM)
  - Google error rate: 23% (2013) → 8% (2015)
  - Microsoft error rate: 5.9% (Oct 17, 2016) same as human performance

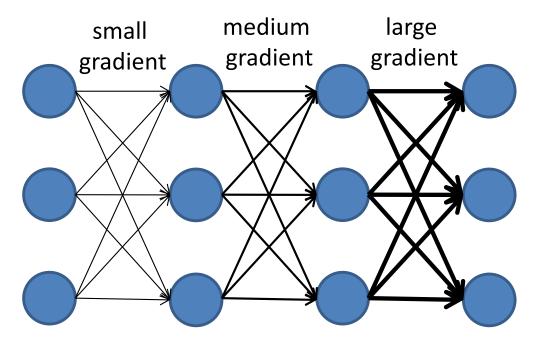
# Image Classification

ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge



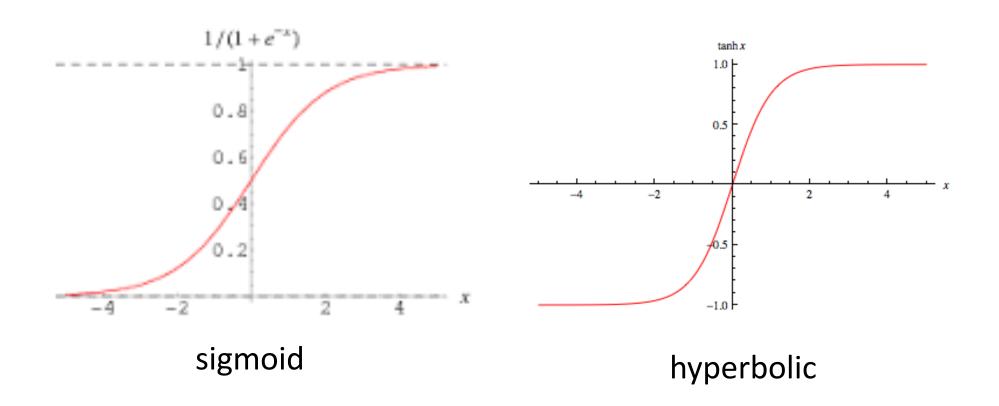
## Vanishing Gradients

 Deep neural networks of sigmoid and hyperbolic units often suffer from vanishing gradients



# Sigmoid and hyperbolic units

Derivative is always less than 1



# Simple Example

• 
$$y = \sigma \left( w_4 \ \sigma \left( w_3 \ \sigma (w_2 \ \sigma (w_1 \ x)) \right) \right)$$

$$x \longrightarrow h_1 \longrightarrow h_2 \longrightarrow h_3 \longrightarrow y$$

- Common weight initialization in (-1,1)
- Sigmoid function and its derivative always less than 1
- This leads to vanishing gradients:

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_4} = \sigma'(a_4)\sigma(a_3)$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_3} = \sigma'(a_4)w_4\sigma'(a_3)\sigma(a_2) \le \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_4}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_2} = \sigma'(a_4)w_4\sigma'(a_3)w_3\sigma'(a_2)\sigma(a_1) \le \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_3}$$

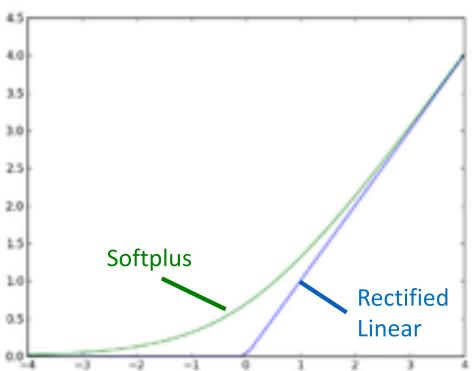
$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial w_1} = \sigma'(a_4)w_4\sigma'(a_3)w_3\sigma'(a_2)w_2\sigma'(a_1)x \le \frac{\partial y}{\partial w_2}$$

# **Avoiding Vanishing Gradients**

- Two popular solutions:
  - Pre-training
  - Rectified linear units and maxout units

#### **Rectified Linear Units**

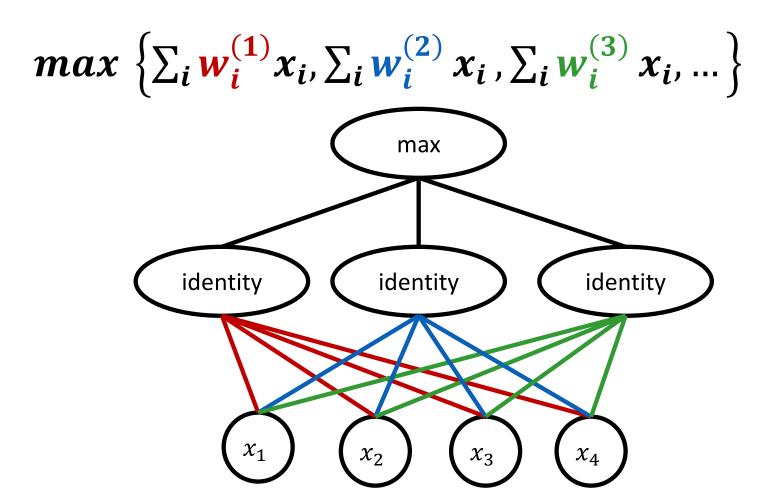
- Rectified linear:  $h(a) = \max(0, a)$ 
  - Gradient is 0 or 1
  - Sparse computation
- Soft version ("Softplus"):  $h(a) = \log(1 + e^a)$



 Warning: softplus does not prevent gradient vanishing (gradient < 1)</li>

#### **Maxout Units**

Generalization of rectified linear units



# Overfitting

- High expressivity increases the risk of overfitting
  - # of parameters is often larger than the amount of data
- Solutions:
  - Regularization
  - Dropout
  - Data augmentation

## Dropout

- Idea: randomly "drop" some units from the network when training
- Training: at each iteration of gradient descent
  - Each hidden unit is dropped with prob. 0.5
  - Each input unit is dropped with prob. 0.2
- Prediction (testing):
  - Multiply the output of each unit by one minus its drop probability

#### Intuition

Dropout can be viewed as an approximate form of ensemble learning

- In each training iteration, a different subnetwork is trained
- At test time, these subnetworks are "merged" by averaging their weights

#### Robustness

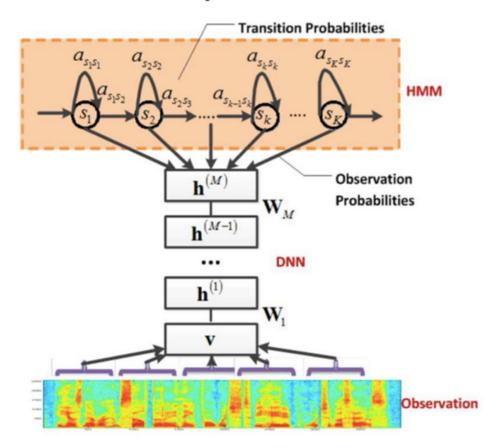
- In sexual reproduction, half of the genes of two individuals are dropped and the remaining genes are merged to produce a new individual
- Genes are forced to evolve independently so that most combinations yield functional individuals
- Similarly, units in a neural net are forced to capture features that are largely independent of other units

## Applications of Deep Neural Networks

- Speech Recognition
- Image recognition
- Machine translation
- Control
- Any application of shallow neural networks

### Acoustic Modeling in Speech Recognition

# Architecture of a DNN-HMM hybrid system



## Acoustic Modeling in Speech Recognition

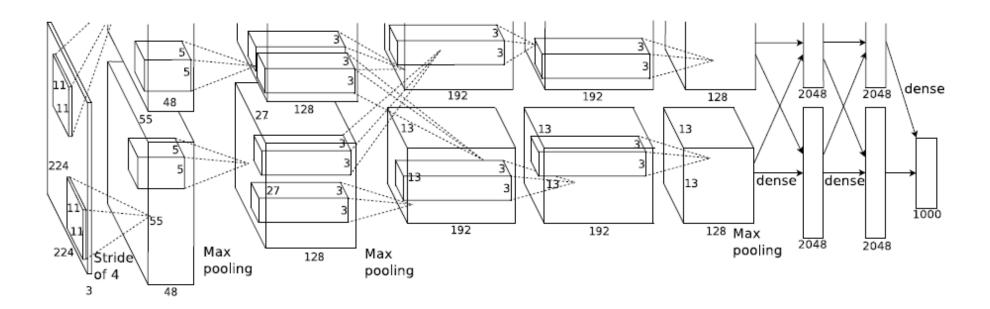
TABLE III

A comparison of the Percentage Word Error Rates using DNN-HMMs and GMM-HMMs on five different large vocabulary tasks.

task	hours of	DNN-HMM	<b>GMM-HMM</b>	GMM-HMM
	training data		with same data	with more data
Switchboard (test set 1)	309	18.5	27.4	18.6 (2000 hrs)
Switchboard (test set 2)	309	16.1	23.6	17.1 (2000 hrs)
English Broadcast News	50	17.5	18.8	
Bing Voice Search	24	30.4	36.2	
(Sentence error rates)				
Google Voice Input	5,870	12.3		16.0 (>>5,870hrs)
Youtube	1,400	47.6	52.3	

# Image Recognition

- Convolutional Neural Network
  - With rectified linear units and dropout
  - Data augmentation for transformation invariance



# ImageNet Breakthrough

Results: ILSVRC-2012

From Krizhevsky, Sutskever, Hinton

Model	Top-1 (val)	Top-5 (val)	Top-5 (test)
SIFT + FVs [7]			26.2%
1 CNN	40.7%	18.2%	_
5 CNNs	38.1%	16.4%	16.4%
1 CNN*	39.0%	16.6%	_
7 CNNs*	36.7%	15.4%	15.3%

Table 2: Comparison of error rates on ILSVRC-2012 validation and test sets. In *italics* are best results achieved by others. Models with an asterisk\* were "pre-trained" to classify the entire ImageNet 2011 Fall release. See Section 6 for details.

# ImageNet Breakthrough

#### From Krizhevsky, Sutskever, Hinton

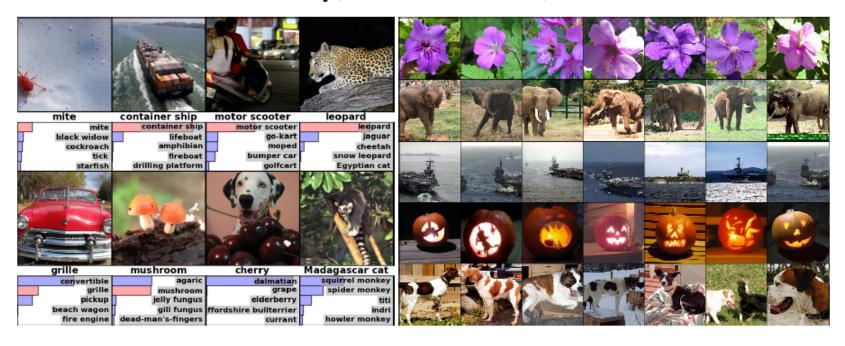


Figure 4: (Left) Eight ILSVRC-2010 test images and the five labels considered most probable by our model. The correct label is written under each image, and the probability assigned to the correct label is also shown with a red bar (if it happens to be in the top 5). (Right) Five ILSVRC-2010 test images in the first column. The remaining columns show the six training images that produce feature vectors in the last hidden layer with the smallest Euclidean distance from the feature vector for the test image.