



# Basic Models in TensorFlow

CS 20: TensorFlow for Deep Learning Research

Lecture 3

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# Agenda

Review

Linear regression on birth/life data

Control Flow

tf.data

Optimizers, gradients

Logistic regression on MNIST

Loss functions





# Review

# Computation graph

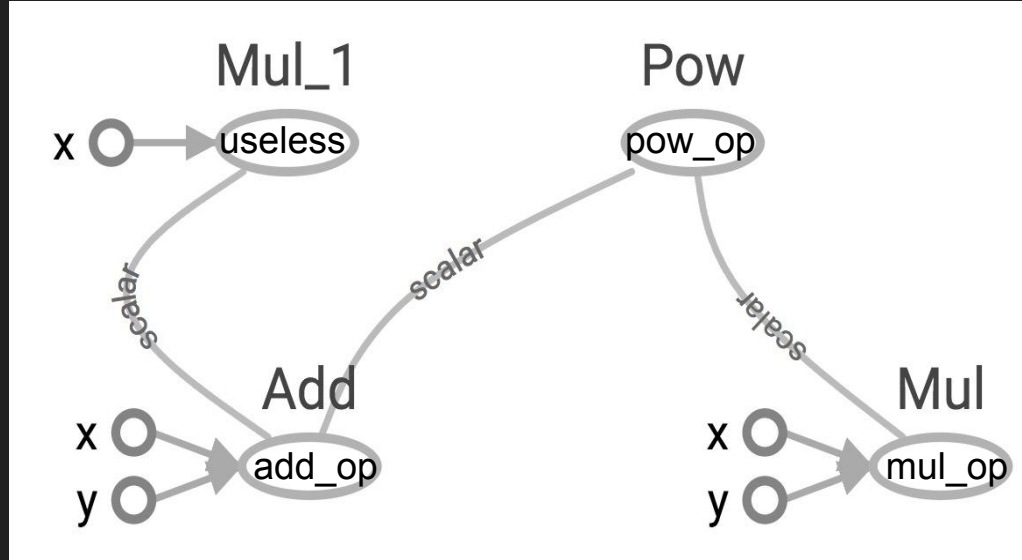
TensorFlow separates definition of computations from their execution

Phase 1: assemble a graph

Phase 2: use a session to execute operations in the graph.

# TensorBoard

```
x = 2
y = 3
add_op = tf.add(x, y)
mul_op = tf.multiply(x, y)
useless = tf.multiply(x, add_op)
pow_op = tf.pow(add_op, mul_op)
with tf.Session() as sess:
    z = sess.run(pow_op)
```



Create a FileWriter object to write your graph to event files

# **tf.constant and tf.Variable**

Constant values are stored in the graph definition

Sessions allocate memory to store variable values

# **tf.placeholder and feed\_dict**

Feed values into placeholders with a dictionary (feed\_dict)

Easy to use but poor performance



# Avoid lazy loading

1. Separate the assembling of graph and executing ops
2. Use Python attribute to ensure a function is only loaded the first time it's called

# Download from the class's GitHub

`examples/03_linreg_starter.py`

`examples/03_logreg_starter.py`

`examples/utils.py`

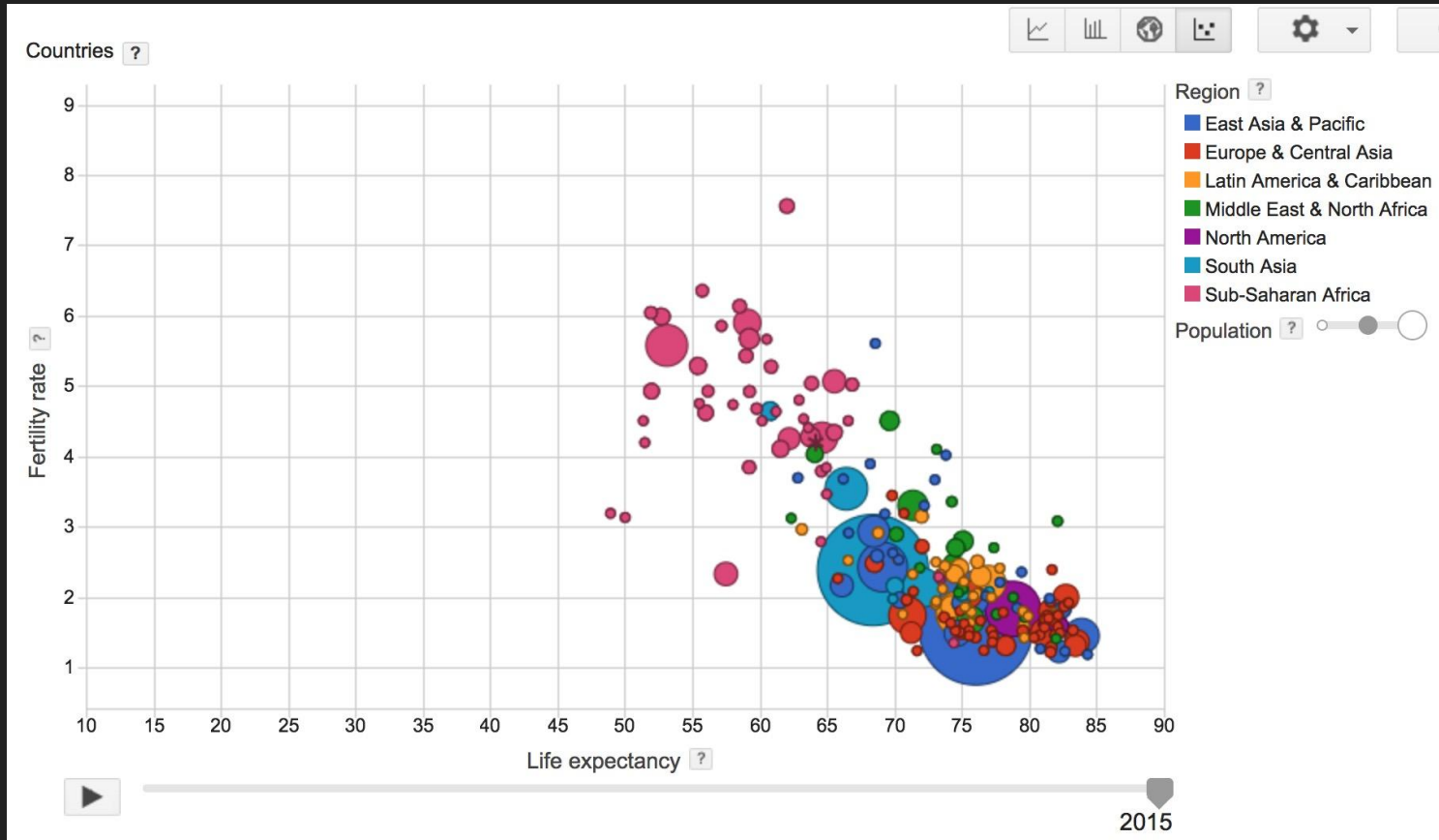
`data/birth_life_2010.txt`



# Linear Regression in TensorFlow

Model the linear relationship between:

- dependent variable  $Y$
- explanatory variables  $X$



# World Development Indicators dataset

X: birth rate

Y: life expectancy

190 countries

# Want

Find a linear relationship between  $X$  and  $Y$   
to predict  $Y$  from  $X$

# Model

Inference:  $Y_{\text{predicted}} = w * X + b$

Mean squared error:  $E[(y - y_{\text{predicted}})^2]$



# Interactive Coding

```
data/birth_life_2010.txt
```

# Interactive Coding

`examples/03_linreg_starter.py`

# Phase 1: Assemble our graph

# Step 1: Read in data

I already did that for you

## **Step 2: Create placeholders for inputs and labels**

```
tf.placeholder(dtype, shape=None, name=None)
```

## Step 3: Create weight and bias

```
tf.get_variable(  
    name,  
    shape=None,  
    dtype=None,  
    initializer=None,  
    ...  
)
```

No need to specify shape if  
using constant initializer

# Step 4: Inference

$$Y_{\text{predicted}} = w * X + b$$

## Step 5: Specify loss function

```
loss = tf.square(Y - Y_predicted, name='loss')
```



## Step 6: Create optimizer

```
opt = tf.train.GradientDescentOptimizer(learning_rate=0.001)
optimizer = opt.minimize(loss)
```

# Phase 2: Train our model

Step 1: Initialize variables

Step 2: Run optimizer

(use a `feed_dict` to feed data into X and Y placeholders)

# Write log files using a FileWriter

```
writer = tf.summary.FileWriter('./graphs/linear_reg', sess.graph)
```

# See it on TensorBoard

Step 1: `$ python3 03_linreg_starter.py`

Step 2: `$ tensorboard --logdir='./graphs'`

# TypeError?

```
TypeError: Fetch argument 841.0 has invalid type <class 'numpy.float32'>,
      must be a string or Tensor.
```

(Can not convert a float32 into a Tensor or Operation.)

# TypeError

```
for i in range(50): # train the model 100 epochs

    total_loss = 0

    for x, y in data:

        _, loss = sess.run([optimizer, loss], feed_dict={X: x, Y:y}) # Can't fetch a numpy array

        total_loss += loss
```

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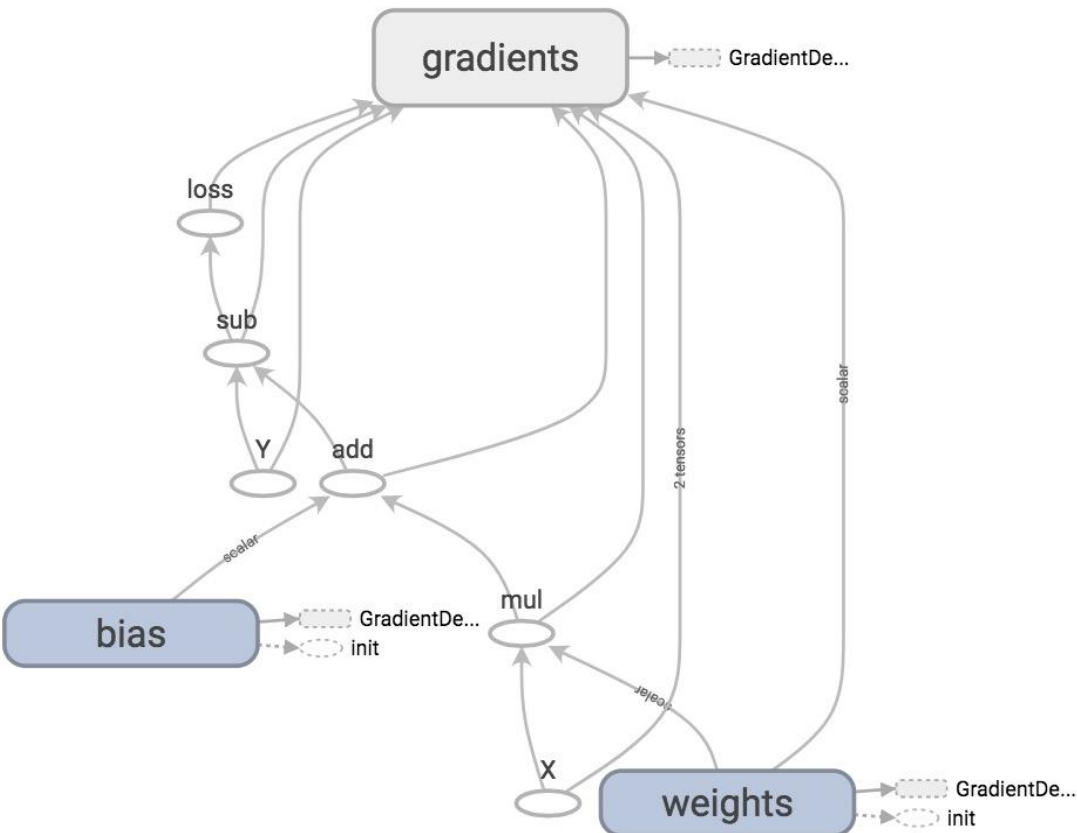
    total_loss = 0

    for x, y in data:

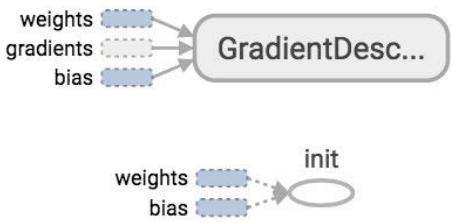
        _, loss_ = sess.run([optimizer, loss], feed_dict={X: x, Y:y})

        total_loss += loss_
```

# Main Graph



# Auxiliary Nodes



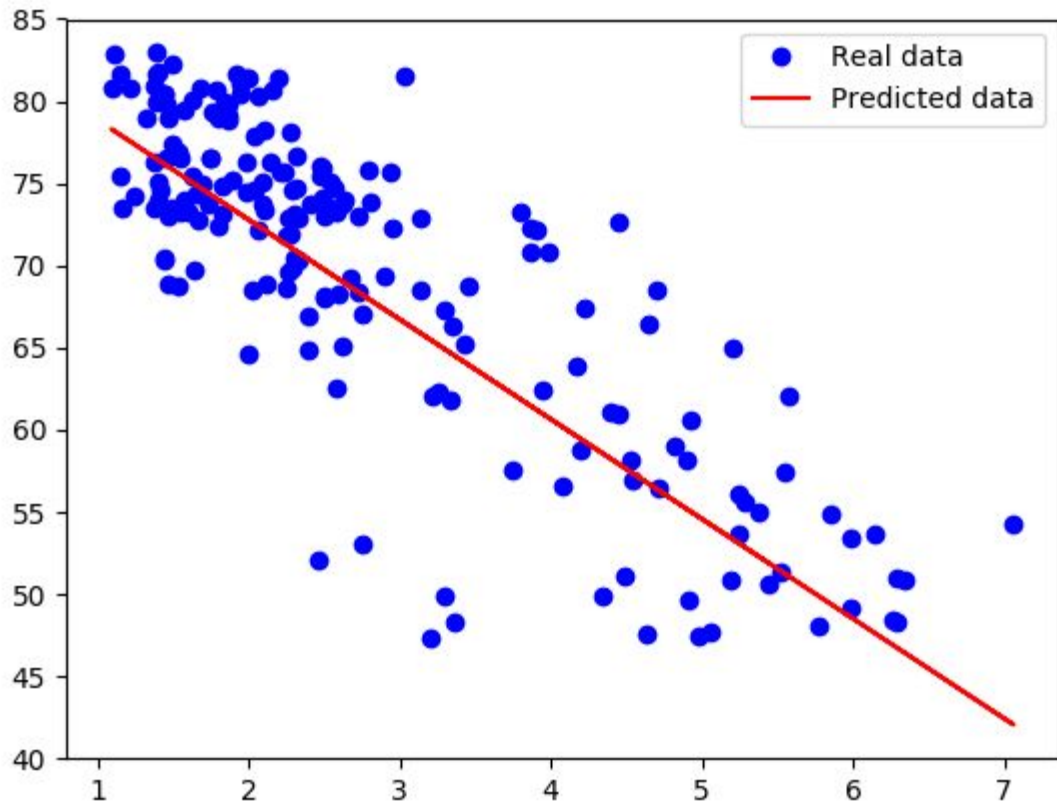


# Plot the results with matplotlib

Step 1: Uncomment the plotting code at the end of your program

Step 2: Run it again

If run into problem of matplotlib in virtual environment, go to [GitHub/setup](#) and see the file possible setup problems



# Huber loss

Robust to outliers

If the difference between the predicted value and the real value is small, square it

If it's large, take its absolute value

$$L_{\delta}(y, f(x)) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(y - f(x))^2 & \text{for } |y - f(x)| \leq \delta, \\ \delta |y - f(x)| - \frac{1}{2}\delta^2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# Implementing Huber loss

Can't write:

```
if y - y_predicted < delta:
```

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```
tf.cond(pred, fn1, fn2, name=None)
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# Implementing Huber loss

```
tf.cond(pred, fn1, fn2, name=None)
```

```
def huber_loss(labels, predictions, delta=14.0):  
    residual = tf.abs(labels - predictions)  
    def f1(): return 0.5 * tf.square(residual)  
    def f2(): return delta * residual - 0.5 * tf.square(delta)  
    return tf.cond(residual < delta, f1, f2)
```

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# TF Control Flow

<b>Control Flow Ops</b>	<code>tf.group</code> , <code>tf.count_up_to</code> , <code>tf.cond</code> , <code>tf.case</code> , <code>tf.while_loop</code> , ...
<b>Comparison Ops</b>	<code>tf.equal</code> , <code>tf.not_equal</code> , <code>tf.less</code> , <code>tf.greater</code> , <code>tf.where</code> , ...
<b>Logical Ops</b>	<code>tf.logical_and</code> , <code>tf.logical_not</code> , <code>tf.logical_or</code> , <code>tf.logical_xor</code>
<b>Debugging Ops</b>	<code>tf.is_finite</code> , <code>tf.is_inf</code> , <code>tf.is_nan</code> , <code>tf.Assert</code> , <code>tf.Print</code> , ...

Since TF builds graph before computation, we have to specify all possible subgraphs beforehand. PyTorch's dynamic graphs and TF's eager execution help overcome this



tf.data



# Placeholder

Pro: put the data processing outside TensorFlow, making it easy to do in Python

Cons: users often end up processing their data in a single thread and creating data bottleneck that slows execution down.

# Placeholder

```
data, n_samples = utils.read_birth_life_data(DATA_FILE)

X = tf.placeholder(tf.float32, name='X')
Y = tf.placeholder(tf.float32, name='Y')
...
with tf.Session() as sess:
    ...
    # Step 8: train the model
    for i in range(100): # run 100 epochs
        for x, y in data:
            # Session runs train_op to minimize loss
            sess.run(optimizer, feed_dict={X: x, Y:y})
```

# tf.data

Instead of doing inference with placeholders and feeding in data later, do inference directly with data

# tf.data

`tf.data.Dataset`

`tf.data.Iterator`

# Store data in `tf.data.Dataset`

- `tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((features, labels))`
- `tf.data.Dataset.from_generator(gen, output_types, output_shapes)`

# Store data in `tf.data.Dataset`

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tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((features, labels))
```

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dataset = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((data[:,0], data[:,1]))
```

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dataset = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices((data[:,0], data[:,1]))  
  
print(dataset.output_types)      # >> (tf.float32, tf.float32)  
  
print(dataset.output_shapes)     # >> (TensorShape([]), TensorShape([]))
```

# Can also create Dataset from files

- `tf.data.TextLineDataset(filenamees)`
- `tf.data.FixedLengthRecordDataset(filenamees)`
- `tf.data.TFRecordDataset(filenamees)`



# **tf.data.Iterator**

Create an iterator to iterate through samples in Dataset

# tf.data.Iterator

- `iterator = dataset.make_one_shot_iterator()`
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- `iterator = dataset.make_one_shot_iterator()`  
Iterates through the dataset exactly once. No need to initialization.
- `iterator = dataset.make_initializable_iterator()`  
Iterates through the dataset as many times as we want. Need to initialize with each epoch.

# tf.data.Iterator

```
iterator = dataset.make_one_shot_iterator()
X, Y = iterator.get_next()          # X is the birth rate, Y is the life expectancy

with tf.Session() as sess:
    print(sess.run([X, Y]))          # >> [1.822, 74.82825]
    print(sess.run([X, Y]))          # >> [3.869, 70.81949]
    print(sess.run([X, Y]))          # >> [3.911, 72.15066]
```

# tf.data.Iterator

```
iterator = dataset.make_initializable_iterator()
```

```
...
```

```
for i in range(100):  
    sess.run(iterator.initializer)  
    total_loss = 0  
    try:  
        while True:  
            sess.run([optimizer])  
    except tf.errors.OutOfRangeError:  
        pass
```

# Handling data in TensorFlow

```
dataset = dataset.shuffle(1000)
```

```
dataset = dataset.repeat(100)
```

```
dataset = dataset.batch(128)
```

```
dataset = dataset.map(lambda x: tf.one_hot(x, 10))
```

```
# convert each elem of dataset to one_hot vector
```

**Does tf.data really perform better?**

# Does tf.data really perform better?

With placeholder: 9.05271519 seconds

With tf.data: 6.12285947 seconds



# Should we always use tf.data?

- For prototyping, feed dict can be faster and easier to write (pythonic)
- tf.data is tricky to use when you have complicated preprocessing or multiple data sources
- NLP data is normally just a sequence of integers. In this case, transferring the data over to GPU is pretty quick, so the speedup of tf.data isn't that large

**How does TensorFlow know what variables  
to update?**



# Optimizers

# Optimizer

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optimizer = tf.train.GradientDescentOptimizer(learning_rate=0.01).minimize(loss)
_, l = sess.run([optimizer, loss], feed_dict={X: x, Y:y})
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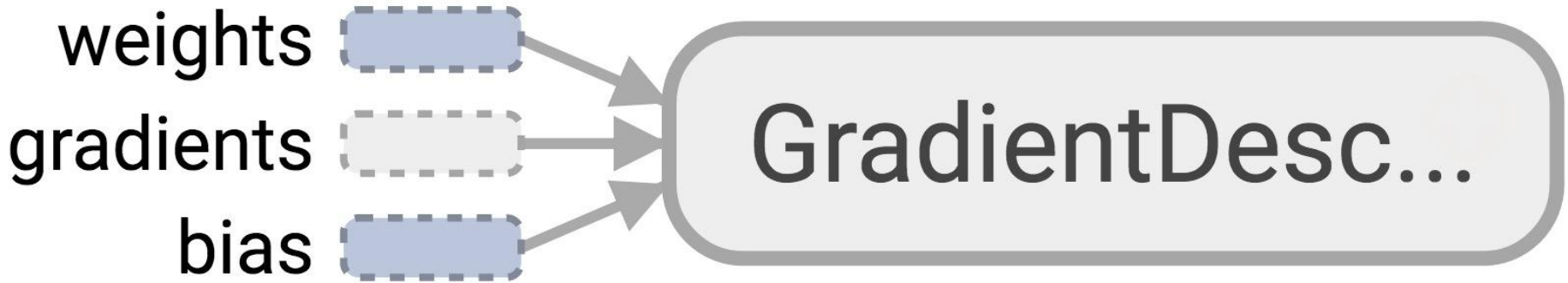
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# Trainable variables

```
tf.Variable(initial_value=None, trainable=True, ...)
```

Specify if a variable should be trained or not  
By default, all variables are trainable

# List of optimizers in TF

`tf.train.GradientDescentOptimizer`

`tf.train.AdagradOptimizer`

`tf.train.MomentumOptimizer`

`tf.train.AdamOptimizer`

`tf.train.FtrlOptimizer`

`tf.train.RMSPropOptimizer`

...

“Advanced” optimizers work better when tuned,  
but are generally harder to tune



## **Discussion question**

- 1. How to know that our model is correct?**
- 2. How to improve our model?**

# **Assignment 1**

**Out tomorrow**

**Due 1/31**

**Optional Interactive Grading**



# Logistic Regression in TensorFlow

**Then he separated the  
light from the darkness**



**The first logistic  
regression model**

# MNIST Database

Each image is a 28x28 array, flattened out to be a 1-d tensor of size 784



# MNIST

**X: image of a handwritten digit**

**Y: the digit value**

**Recognize the digit in the image**

# MNIST

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# Model

Inference:  $Y_{\text{predicted}} = \text{softmax}(X * w + b)$

Cross entropy loss:  $-\log(Y_{\text{predicted}})$



# Process data

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No immediate way to convert Python generators  
to `tf.data.Dataset`

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```
mnist_folder = 'data/mnist'  
utils.download_mnist(mnist_folder)  
train, val, test = utils.read_mnist(mnist_folder, flatten=True)
```

# Create datasets

```
mnist_folder = 'data/mnist'  
utils.download_mnist(mnist_folder)  
train, val, test = utils.read_mnist(mnist_folder, flatten=True)  
  
train_data = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices(train)  
train_data = train_data.shuffle(10000) # optional  
test_data = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices(test)
```

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iterator = train_data.make_initializable_iterator()
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```

```
iterator = train_data.make_initializable_iterator()  
img, label = iterator.get_next()  
...
```

Problem?

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...
```

>> Can only do inference with `train_data`.

>> Need to build another subgraph with another iterator for `test_data`!!!





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iterator = tf.data.Iterator.from_structure(train_data.output_types,
                                          train_data.output_shapes)

img, label = iterator.get_next()

train_init = iterator.make_initializer(train_data) # initializer for train_data
test_init = iterator.make_initializer(test_data)  # initializer for train_data
```



# Initialize iterator with the dataset you want

```
with tf.Session() as sess:
    ...
    for i in range(n_epochs):
        sess.run(train_init)           # use train_init during training loop
        try:
            while True:
                _, l = sess.run([optimizer, loss])
        except tf.errors.OutOfRangeError:
            pass
```

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        except tf.errors.OutOfRangeError:
            pass

    # test the model
    sess.run(test_init) # use test_init during testing
    try:
        while True:
            sess.run(accuracy)
    except tf.errors.OutOfRangeError:
        pass
```

# Phase 1: Assemble our graph

# Step 1: Read in data

I already did that for you

## Step 2: Create datasets and iterator

```
train_data = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices(train)
train_data = train_data.shuffle(10000) # optional
train_data = train_data.batch(batch_size)

test_data = tf.data.Dataset.from_tensor_slices(test)
test_data = test_data.batch(batch_size)
```

## Step 2: Create datasets and iterator

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iterator =  
tf.data.Iterator.from_structure(train_data.output_types,  
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img, label = iterator.get_next()  
  
train_init = iterator.make_initializer(train_data)  
test_init = iterator.make_initializer(test_data)
```

## Step 3: Create weights and biases

```
use tf.get_variable()
```



## Step 4: Build model to predict Y

```
logits = tf.matmul(img, w) + b
```

We don't do softmax here, as we'll do softmax together with `cross_entropy` loss.

It's more efficient to compute gradients w.r.t. logits than w.r.t. softmax

## Step 5: Specify loss function

```
entropy = tf.nn.softmax_cross_entropy_with_logits(labels=label,  
                                                  logits=logits)  
  
loss = tf.reduce_mean(entropy)
```

## Step 6: Create optimizer

```
tf.train.AdamOptimizer(learning_rate=0.01).minimize(loss)
```

# Phase 2: Train our model

Step 1: Initialize variables

Step 2: Run optimizer op



# Next class

Structure your model in TensorFlow

Example: word2vec

Eager execution

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Thanks!