# Calorimeters meet <u>MLPs</u>

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# **Recap: DNNs and their parameters**

- All nodes of consecutive layers are connected with each other
- Typically an ANN is called "deep" if it has >4 hidden layers
- Referred to as Multi-Layer Perceptron, Feed-Forward NN



# **Activation functions: adding non-linearities**

• One layer: 
$$h^{(k+1)}(h^{(k)}) = \theta(\omega_k h^{(k)} + b_k)$$

• Without non-linear activation:  $y(x) = h^{(4)}(h^{(3)}(h^{(2)}(h^{(1)}(x)))) = \tilde{\omega}x + \tilde{b}$ 

# Back-of-the envelope exercise



- There is a whole zoo: theoretically, the choice does not matter for hidden layers
  - For the output it **does** matter as it restricts / shapes the output distribution
- In practice: not vanishing/exploding output (and gradients)
  - Suggestion: (s/r)elu

https://machinelearninggeek.com/activation-functions/

# **DNNs as universal function approximators**

• Very simple NN: one hidden layer, one input, one output, tanh activation



"Out-of-distribution"

- DNNs are universal function approximators, already with very few parameters
  - But beware of extrapolation / out-of-distribution effects

# Loss (cost) function

- The loss function quantifies how well a model performs
- Here we compare sample-by-sample the NN output with a truth label
- E.g. text book linear regression: we know the 'truth'
  - Model:  $\Phi(\omega, x) = \omega_a x + \omega_b$
  - Least-square method:



$$\min 1/N \sum_{i}^{N} \left( (\Phi(\omega, x_i) - y_i)^2 \right) = \min \mathsf{MSE}(\Phi(\omega, x), y)$$
  
Mean squared error loss

- The mean squared error loss is a standard loss for regression tasks
- It assumes a Gaussian distribution of the NN estimates (log(L))
- We want to map to the whole output range: linear output activation

What does that mean for calorimeters??

#### How do we train: gradient descent

• Well established, robust numerical minimisation procedure:

$$\omega^{(k+1)} = \omega^{(k)} - \eta \nabla_{\omega^{(k)}} L\left(\Phi(\omega, x), y\right)$$
  
Learning rate

 $\bullet \ \text{Update } \omega \text{ until } L\left(\Phi(\omega^{(k)},x),y\right) - L\left(\Phi(\omega^{(k+1)},x),y\right) < \epsilon$ 



https://ml-cheatsheet.readthedocs.io/en/latest/gradient\_descent.html

# Stochastic gradient descent and momentum

- Stochastic gradient descent is gradient descent on (mini) batches instead of the full data set  $\omega^{(k+1)} = \omega^{(k)} \eta \nabla_{\omega^{(k)}} L\left(\Phi(\omega, x), y\right) \rightarrow \omega^{(k+1)} = \omega^{(k)} \eta \nabla_{\omega^{(k)}} L\left(\Phi(\omega, \{x\}_k), \{y\}_k\right)$ GD
- Reduces computational burden: makes training feasible
- Introduces extra noise that can actually help



Goodfellow et al. (2016)

 Add a momentum/velocity that averages the general directions in parameter space

$$v^{(k)} = \alpha v^{(k-1)} - \eta \nabla_{\omega^{(k)}} L$$
$$\omega^{(k+1)} = \omega^{(k)} + v^{(k)}$$

For our exercises, use "Adam"

➡The basis for most common optimisers that are in use

#### **Momentum in action**



The above and many more details (great page) <u>https://towardsdatascience.com/a-visual-explanation-of-gradient-descent-methods-</u> <u>momentum-adagrad-rmsprop-adam-f898b102325c</u>



- There is no universally best learning rate always needs to be adjusted
- Rule of thumb:
  - More parameters ↔ lower learning rate
  - Smaller batches ↔ lower learning rate

# **Overfitting / overtraining**





- More data per weight:
  - Simpler network
  - More data
- Lower learning rate
- Regularisation (weight regularisation, Dropout) \*

https://medium.com/analytics-vidhya/the-perfect-fit-for-a-dnn-596954c9ea39

# Summary

- Interactive
- MLPs and activations: non-linearities
- Loss functions: how to chose them?

- Gradient descent and momentum
- How to chose learning rates