

## Review references

- The Deep Learning book by Ian Goodfellow, et. al. (<https://www.deeplearningbook.org/> [<https://www.deeplearningbook.org/>])
- Neural Networks and Learning Machine, Simon Haykin (a bit historical and solid intro)
- HEP ML living review (<https://iml-wg.github.io/HEPML-LivingReview/> [<https://iml-wg.github.io/HEPML-LivingReview/>]), check various topic specific reviews
- The Principles of Deep Learning Theory (Robert, Yaida, Hanin): 2106.10165 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.10165>] (<https://deeplearningtheory.com/> [<https://deeplearningtheory.com/>])

## Introduction Myself

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- Postdoc at Rutgers University
- have been working on ML applications to collider physics / astrophysics

## My ML experience

- Classification
  - Developing ML based jet tagger with physics inspirations
    - 1807.03312 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.03312>], 1904.02092 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.02092>], 2003.11787 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.11787>], 2010.13469 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.13469>]
- Density Estimation and Generative Models
  - measuring gravitational potential and dark matter in the Milky way and other galaxies without assumptions
    - 2205.01129 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01129>], 2305.13358 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.13358>]
  - Upsampling N-body simulated galaxy
    - 2211.11765 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.11765>]

## Current Applications of ML in HEP

HEP is in a very ideal setting for applying ML for solving problems

- Data is easily available
  - High quality simulations is available (MadGraph5, Pythia, Herwig, Sherpa, Delphes, GEANT ...)
  - Huge data is available from various experiments (LHC open datasets (complicated to use but you may try :))
- data is also clean (underlying principle is mostly understood) and less uncertain (systematic uncertainty and bias). medical, finance, economy datasets are often very noisy, lack of statistics...

Because of

- one very early example in 1990: Finding gluon jets with a neural trigger(<https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.65.01321> [<https://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.65.01321>])
- Use of boosted decision tree (BDT) is getting popular around Higgs discovery
- Use of neural networks are also getting popular after the success of image classification (ex. jet image: [1511.05190](https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05190) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05190>])
  - I jumped into this field around this time.

Currently ML is applied in various field in HEP!

- classification problems:
  - optimizing event selection criterion in LHC to maximize signal-to-background ratio
  - object tagging (jet tagging...)
- anomaly detection
  - can we find out anomalous signature (non-SM signals) quickly in the huge stockpile of data from the LHC?
  - Early examples based on autoencoders [1808.08979](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08979) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08979>] [1808.08992](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08992) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08992>]
- regression:
  - NNPDF: the parton distribution function modeled by neural networks (<https://nnpdf.mi.infn.it/> [<https://nnpdf.mi.infn.it/>])
- sample generation:
  - fast detector simulation: GEANT full detector simulation is quite slow... can we speed up using ML? (<https://calochallenge.github.io/homepage/> [<https://calochallenge.github.io/homepage/>])
- density estimation
  - dark matter detection (my recent works [2205.01129](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01129) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.01129>] [2305.13358](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.13358) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.13358>] :)
  - parameter inferences (posterior estimation)

See living review of ML for particle physics in order to check vast amount of applications! (<https://iml-wg.github.io/HEPML-LivingReview/> [<https://iml-wg.github.io/HEPML-LivingReview/>])

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Note: ML is not a tool only for experimentalists. Even theorists (including myself) are using ML for physics study! Don't be scared of applying ML to your problem :)

## Basics ML

### Statistical Learning Theory

A glorified \*curve fitting\* using \*data\*

- Prepare data in some space (observations?)
  - supervised: learning using reference labels (may be truth soln)
    - classifying objects: (data and truth labels)
      - binary classification:  $(\vec{x}, y) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \{0, 1\}$
    - regression: (data and truth values)
      - 1D function regression:  $(\vec{x}, y) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}$
  - unsupervised: learning without reference solution
    - $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$
    - anomaly detection
      - autoencoders: physics application 1808.08992 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08992>] 1808.08979 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08979>]
    - density estimations
- Design a function model doing your job (candidates explaining observations)
  - classifier score: if higher, sample is more likely to be a signal not background
  - anomaly score: if higher, the sample is more anomalous
  - density estimation: estimate probability of training dataset
  - generator: generate synthetic data using random numbers
  - and so on!
- Train your model
- make predictions using the trained model

ML is using statistics heavily, so learning the language of statistics is also important

See also: [statistical learning theory](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/statistical_learning_theory) [[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/statistical\\_learning\\_theory](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/statistical_learning_theory)]

### Maximum likelihood estimation (MLE)

If you're using parametric function to do ML, maximum likelihood estimation is one standard technique for optimizing your parametric function.

\* MLE: select model that makes your observed data is most probable.

A parameter estimation method by maximizing given likelihood function.

$$L(\text{param}|\text{data}) = p(\text{data}|\text{param})$$

we have multiple data, i.e.,  $\text{data} = (\text{data}_1, \text{data}_2, \dots, \text{data}_N)$

$$L(\text{param}|\text{data}) = p(\text{data}_1, \text{data}_2, \dots, \text{data}_N|\text{param})$$

If data is independently and identically distributed (IID)

$$L(\text{param}|\text{data}) = p(\text{data}_1|\text{param}) \times p(\text{data}_2|\text{param}) \times \dots \times p(\text{data}_N|\text{param})$$

Conventionally we minimize sum of negative log likelihood (NLL). solution is the same.

$$-\log L(\text{param}|\text{data}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N \log p(\text{data}_i|\text{param})$$

If the parameter is continuous, NLL is differentiable, we minimize NLL by analytically solving  $\nabla_{\text{param}} NLL = 0$  or numerically solving it by using gradient descent methods.

#### Example: 1D Gaussian

$$-\log L(\mu, \sigma^2|x_1, \dots, x_N) = \frac{N}{2} \log 2\pi\sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2$$

The maximum likelihood estimator

$$-\frac{d}{d\mu} \log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | x_1, \dots, x_N) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

$$-\frac{d}{d\sigma^2} \log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | x_1, \dots, x_N) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \hat{\mu})^2$$

### Example: regression

data =  $((x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N))$

$$\hat{y} = f(x; \vec{\theta}) = \theta_1 x + \theta_2 : \text{if linear regression}$$

Statistical model: the deviation is Gaussian distributed with unknown mean  $f(x; \theta)$  and variance  $\sigma^2$

Likelihood model:

$$-\log L(\vec{\theta}, \sigma^2 | x_1, \dots, x_N) = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - f(x_i; \vec{\theta}))^2 + \text{const.}$$

minimizing this with respect to  $\vec{\theta}$  is equivalent to the mean square error (MSE) minimization

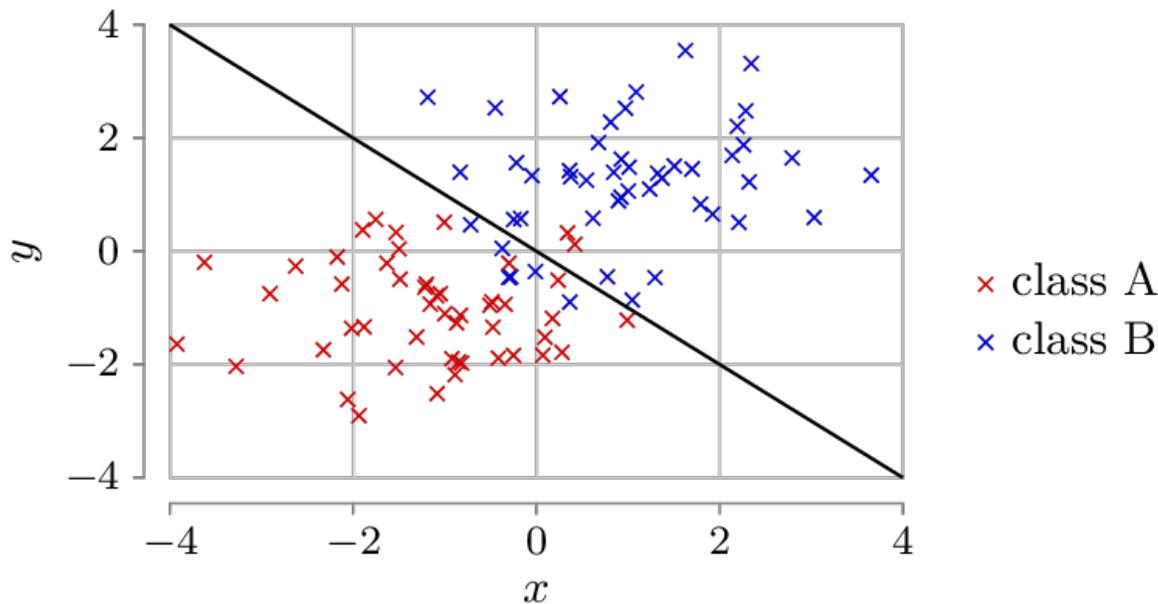
$$\text{MSE}(\vec{\theta}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - f(x_i; \vec{\theta}))^2$$

These functions to be optimized for finding out best fit parameters are often called as loss functions.

## summary of modern ML architecture

- data
  - supervised: if data contains true values to learn (regression, labeled classification)
  - unsupervised: if data does not contains true values
- function model
  - use a sufficiently expressive parametric function
  - linear model, neural networks!
- loss function
  - function describing your statistical goal.
  - This function is encoding almost all the things you're going to do with ML, so it is VERY IMPORTANT!
- optimizer
  - how to optimize your loss function?
  - typically use improved version of gradient descent (ADAM, 1412.6980 [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.6980>]), (other algorithms are also applicable)

## Classifier



Early days: we design a feature and do event selection with simple optimized cut on a few number of features)

- example:) if we want to select Higgs jets: jet mass  $\sim 125$  GeV, two-prong jet ( 2-subjettiness/1-subjettiness  $<$  threshold)
- pros: reproducible,
- cons: classification performance is not the best.

BSM searches in experiment is becoming more and more like finding needle in a garbage yard. Need to squeeze out the signal selection performance!

## Binary Classification

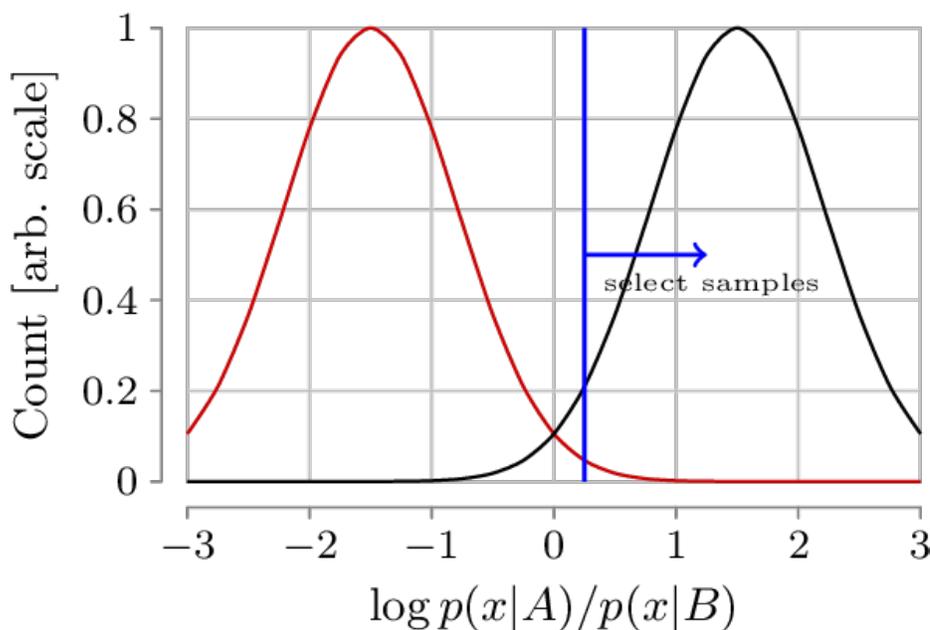
Q: For given two data distributions

- class A (label  $y = 1$ ):  $\{x_1, \dots, x_{N_A}\} \sim p(x|A)$
- class B (label  $y = 0$ ):  $\{x_{N_A+1}, \dots, x_{N_A+N_B}\} \sim p(x|B)$

What is the best selection boundary in order for classifying samples from A or B?

Answer: Neyman-Pearson lemma [[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neyman-Pearson\\_lemma](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neyman-Pearson_lemma)]

- Likelihood ratio (LR)  $\frac{p(x|A)}{p(x|B)}$  is the most powerful test statistics



But we only have data, so we have to estimate either

- LR directly:  $\frac{p(x|A)}{p(x|B)}$
- some function monotonically related to LR
  - posterior:  $p(A|x) = \frac{p(x|A)p(A)}{p(x|A)p(A)+p(x|B)p(B)}$  :

See also [Binary classification \[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binary\\_classification\]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binary_classification)

## Cross Entropy Loss Function

### Derivation from Bernoulli Trial

For given samples in  $y=1$ , the probability  $p(1|x)$ ,  $p(0|x) = 1 - p(1|x)$

The likelihood of class 1 is then

$$L(y = 1) = p(1|x)$$

The likelihood of class 0 is then

$$L(y = 0) = p(0|x) = 1 - p(1|x)$$

These two expression can be combined as follows

$$L(y) = p(1|x)^y (1 - p(1|x))^{1-y}$$

this is simple Bernoulli distribution.

The maximum likelihood estimation on  $p(1|x)$

$$L(y) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(1|x^{(i)})^{y^{(i)}} (1 - p(1|x^{(i)}))^{1-y^{(i)}}$$

So if your dataset  $x, y$  is drawn from the joint distribution  $p(x, y)$ , we can estimate the probability  $p(y|x)$  by minimizing the following cross entropy loss

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ y^{(i)} \log p(1|x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - p(1|x^{(i)})) \right]$$

This loss is also sometimes called logistic loss (see also logistic regression)

## derivation from joint distribution

Your data  $(\vec{x}, y)$  is sampled from  $p(\vec{x}, y)$

$p(y)$ : percentage of samples in class  $y$  of your training dataset.

We want to estimate  $p(y|\vec{x})$

$$\hat{p}(\vec{x}, y; \theta) = \hat{p}(y|\vec{x}; \theta) p(\vec{x})$$

KL divergence: zero if two distributions are the same.

$$KL(P||Q) = \int dX p(X) \log \frac{p(X)}{q(X)}$$

$$KL(P||Q) = \int dx dy p(\vec{x}, y) \log \frac{p(\vec{x}, y)}{\hat{p}(y|\vec{x}; \theta) p(\vec{x})}$$

$$KL(P||Q) = - \sum_y p(y) \int dx p(\vec{x}|y) \log \hat{p}(y|\vec{x}; \theta) + \text{const.}$$

Equivalent to cross entropy  $H(P, Q)$  between  $P \sim p(x, y)$  and  $Q \sim \hat{p}(y|\vec{x}; \theta) p(\vec{x})$ .

$$KL(P||Q) = - \sum_y \frac{p(y)}{N_y} \sum_{\vec{x}^{(i)} \in \text{samples in class } y} \log \hat{p}(y|\vec{x}^{(i)}; \theta) + \text{const.}$$

$$CE = - \sum_y \frac{p(y)}{N_y} \sum_{\vec{x}^{(i)} \in \text{samples in class } y} \log \hat{p}(y|\vec{x}^{(i)}; \theta)$$

If  $y = 0$  or  $1$  This KL divergence reproduce the binary cross-entropy loss function.

## Overfitting

Neural networks are sufficiently expressive, so that it could memorize the data, especially when the network is over-parametrized (number of parameters > number of training sample)

Empirical distribution:

$$p(x, y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{yy^{(i)}} \delta(x - x^{(i)})$$

If we use this as Q,

$$\hat{p}(y|\vec{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \vec{x} \in \text{class } y \text{ dataset} \\ 0 & \vec{x} \notin \text{class } y \text{ dataset} \end{cases}$$

This is global minimum since KL divergence will be exactly zero.

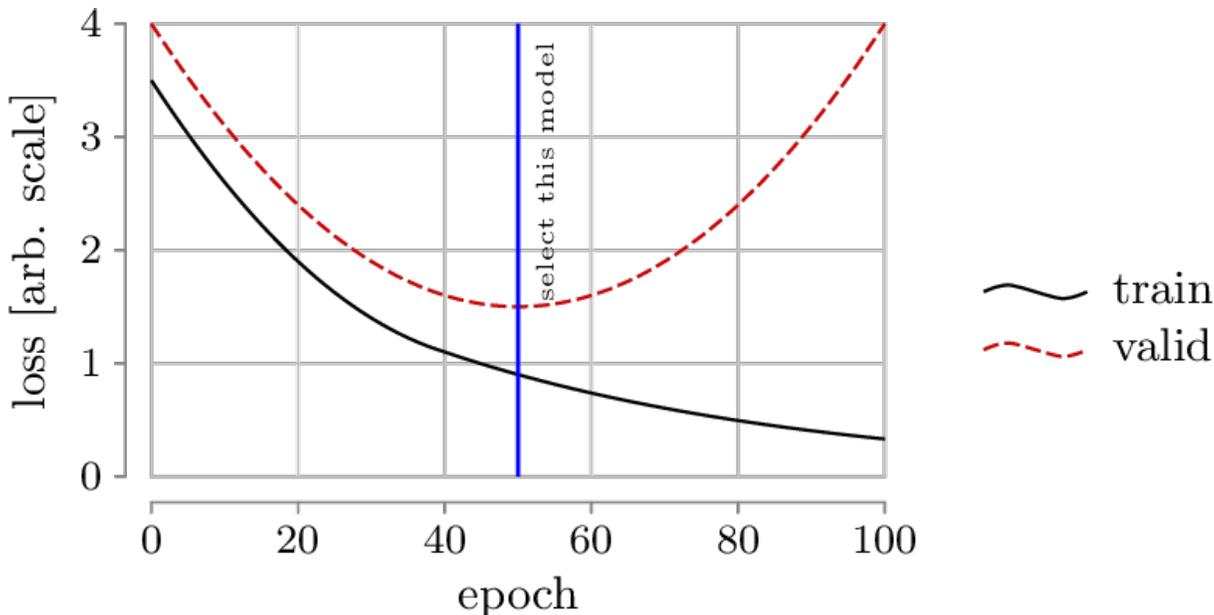
Solution?

### Solution: Train / Validation split

Instead of using full dataset for the training we divide

- training dataset: samples used for training.
- validation dataset: samples independently check the loss value

If your training is going toward overfitted solution, training loss will decrease, but validation loss is not. P: validation, Q: training, since  $P \neq Q$ , KL divergence will be finite



Pick up the parameters with minimum validation loss.

## Neural Network

Artificial Neural Network

- highly flexible parametric function

$$y^j = W^{ij} x^i + B^j$$

## Activation Function

### Sigmoids

- Unit step

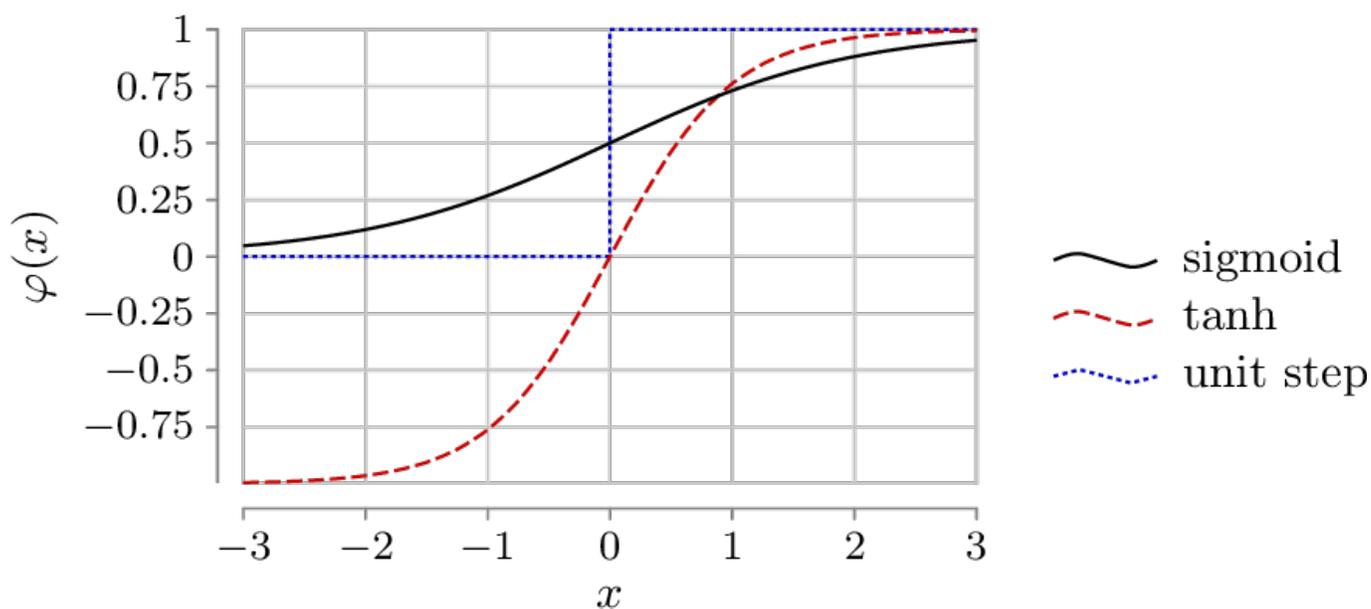
$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- sigmoid

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

- tanh (mathematically equivalent to sigmoid)

$$\varphi(x) = \tanh(x)$$



Universal approximation theorem: an NN with single hidden layer (with sufficiently large width) can approximate arbitrary functions

$$F(x) = U^i \varphi(W^i x + B^i)$$

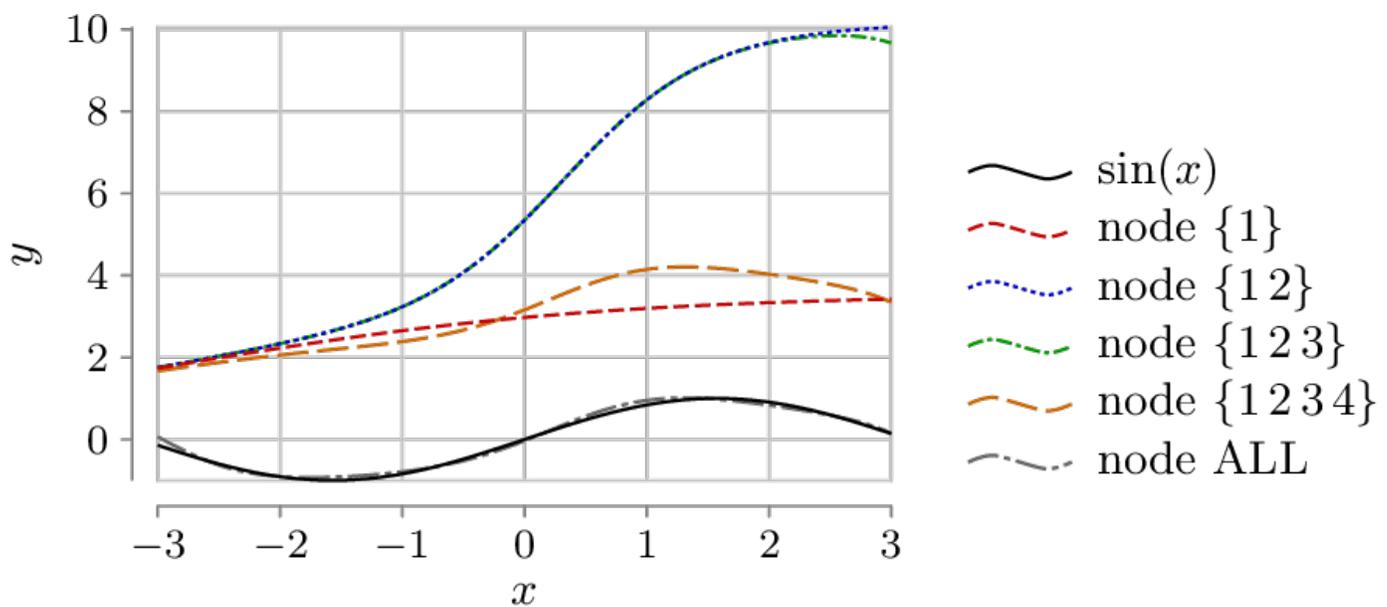
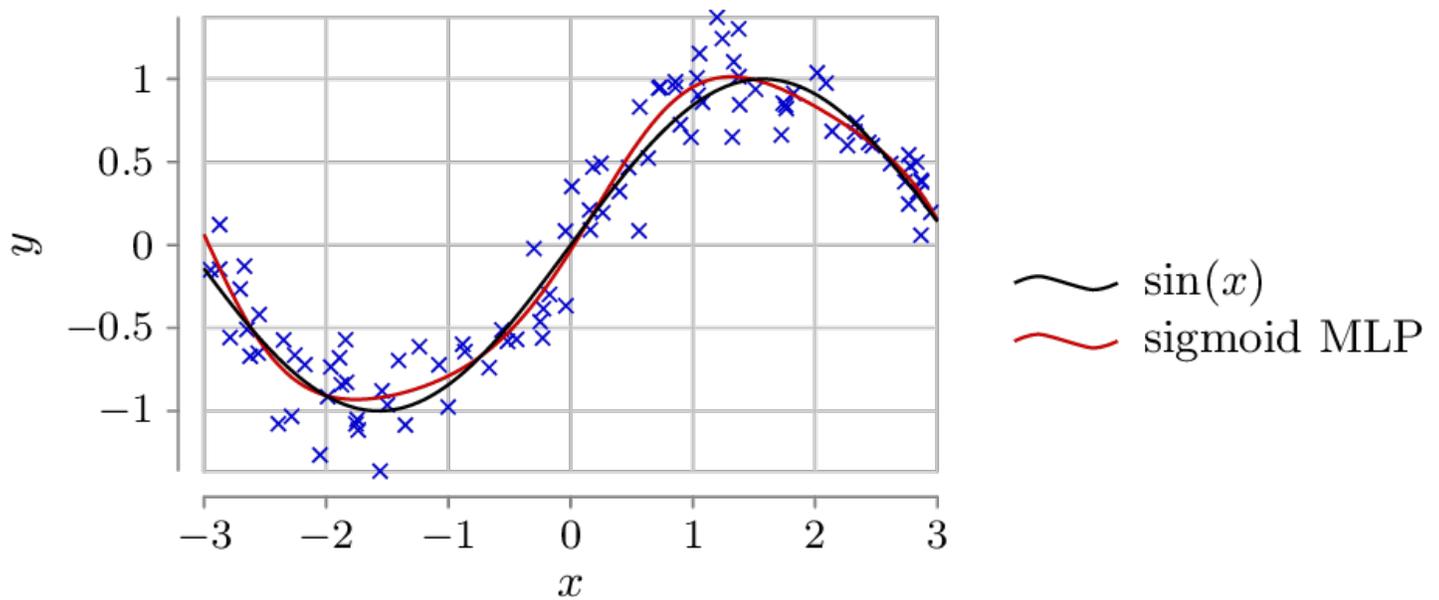
see a visual demonstration: <http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/chap4.html> [<http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/chap4.html>]

sigmoid MLP: data fitting with binning?

#### Example: fitting sin x using sigmoids

Example: fitting  $\sin(x)$  with noise

network: 1 hidden layer with 5 nodes. loss: MSE loss



## Rectifiers

- ReLU

$$\text{ReLU}(x) = \max(0, x)$$

- LeakyReLU

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

- ELU [1511.07289 \[https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.07289\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.07289)

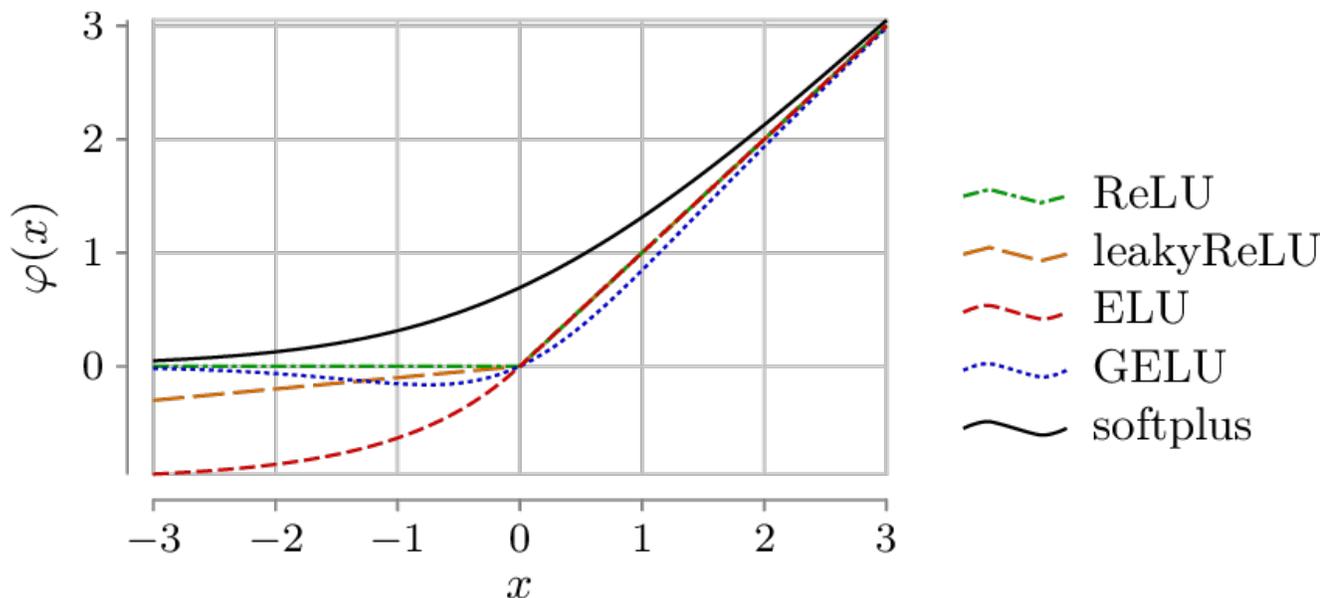
$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} x & x > 0 \\ \exp(x) - 1 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- GELU [1606.08415 \[https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.08415\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.08415) (or other smoothed rectifiers)

$$\text{GELU}(x) = x\Phi(x), \quad \Phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \text{erf} \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right]$$

- softplus (have some issues, see chapter 5.3.2 of [2106.10165 \[https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.10165\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.10165))

$$\varphi(x) = \log(1 + e^x)$$

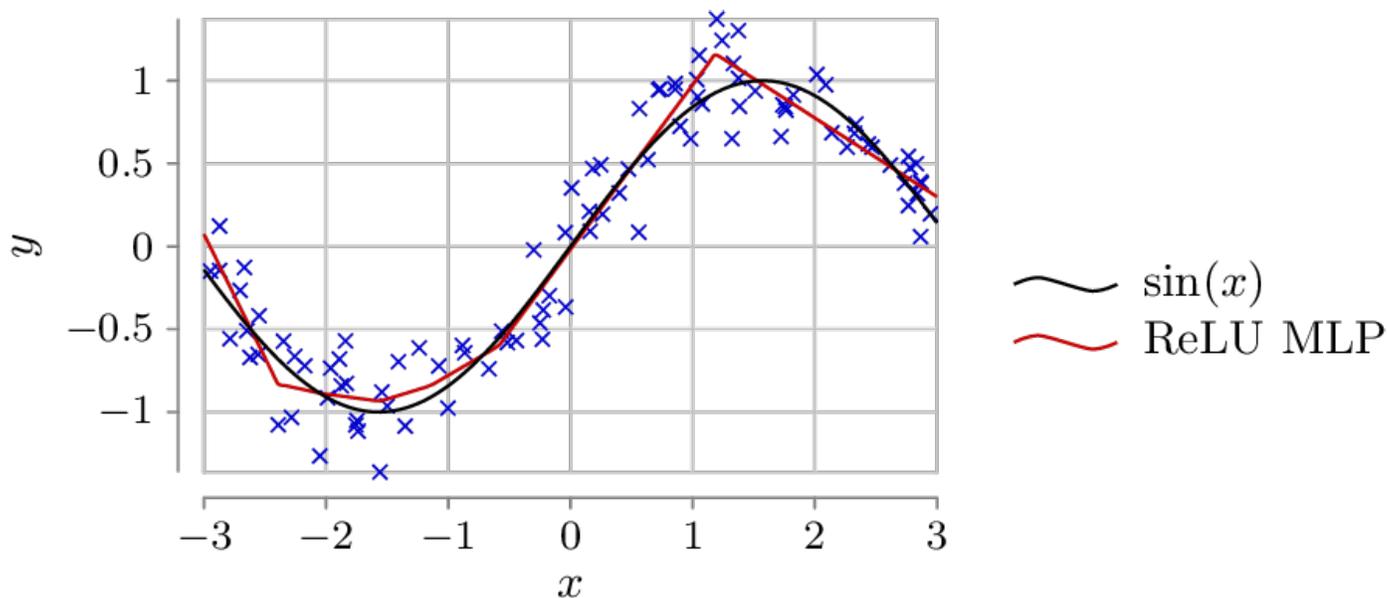


**Example: fitting  $\sin x$  using relu**

Example: fitting  $\sin(x)$  with noise

network: 1 hidden layer with 10 nodes. loss: MSE loss

ReLU MLP: piecewise linear function



## specific NN architectures

Depending on data, you may use more complicated structured neural networks for modeling a function

- pixelated data (image): convolutional neural network (many references are available in internet) (see also, resnet: [1512.03385](https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03385) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1512.03385>],  $1 \times 1$  convolution: relation between CNN and MLP [1312.4400](https://arxiv.org/abs/1312.4400) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1312.4400>])
  - early physics applications: jet image [1511.05190](https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05190) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05190>] [1701.08784](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.08784) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.08784>] and so on...
- point distributions (point clouds): graph neural networks [1806.01261](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.01261) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.01261>]
  - early physics applications: ParticleNet [1902.08570](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.08570) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.08570>]
- sequential data (time sequence, language models?):
  - recurrent neural network and recursive neural networks
    - early physics applications: [1702.00748](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.00748) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.00748>]
  - attention layers and transformers.. (title: Attention is All You Need) [1706.03762](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.03762) [<https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.03762>]

Please google them if you want to study about those specific type of networks. There are so many examples and tutorials :)

## Comparinng Classification Performances

If time permits

- Confusion matrix
  - Tagging efficiency and mistag rate
- ROC curve [[wp>Receiver operating characteristic]

## Cross Validations

Training/validations split: validation dataset is not used in gradient evaluation, can we overcome this somehow?

- K-fold Cross validations
- Monte Carlo Cross validations