

Introduction to Deep Learning

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Summary

- The evolution of Neural Networks
- Deep Learning
 - Why the success now
 - Main advantages
 - Problem of vanishing gradients
- Example: autoencoders

Evolution of Neural Networks

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Neural Networks

- A very promising early start with neuron and perceptron:
 - 1943: McCulloch & Pitts, model of neuron
 - 1958: Rosenblatt, perceptron and learning algorithm
- But these turned out to be equivalent to generalized linear models
 - And in 1969 Perceptrons (Minsky, Papert): need fully connected networks

1960-1980s: "AI Winter", in particular ANN

- 1970s: The equivalent of backpropagation appeared in other contexts
- 1986: Rumelhart, Hinton, Williams, backpropagation can be used for multi-layer networks

Evolution of Neural Networks

Machine Learning and Deep Learning

- In the 1990s, AI shifted from knowledge-driven to data-driven with new ML algorithms
- E.g. 1992 Vapnik et. al. publish the kernel trick for SVM

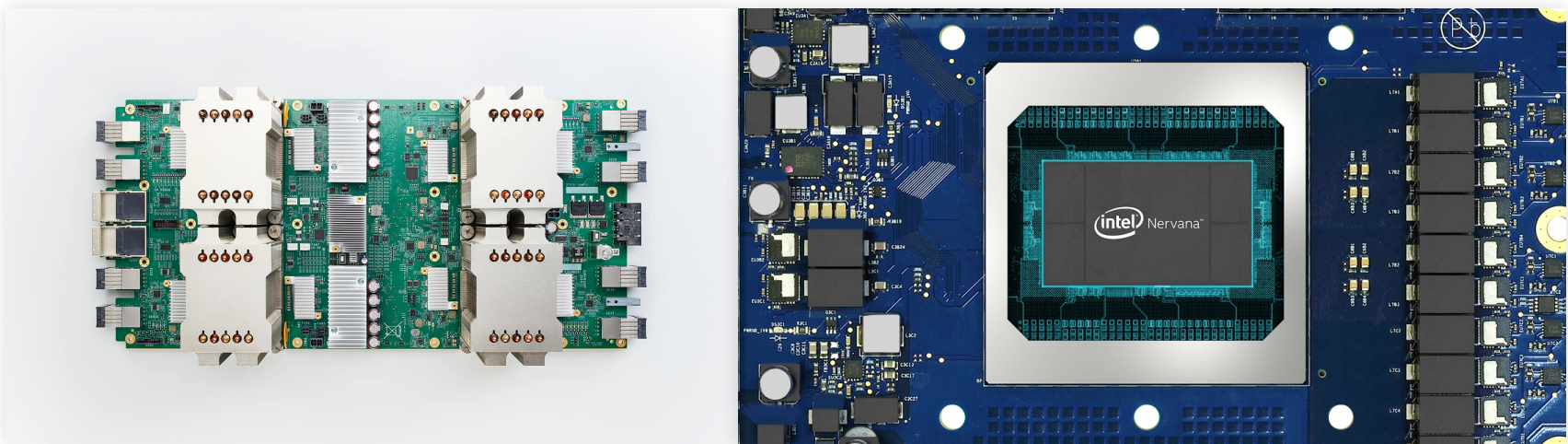


- 1997: Multi-layered and convolution networks for check processing USA (leCun)
- 1998: MNIST database (LeCun). Benchmarks, libraries and competitions

Evolution of Neural Networks

Deep Learning

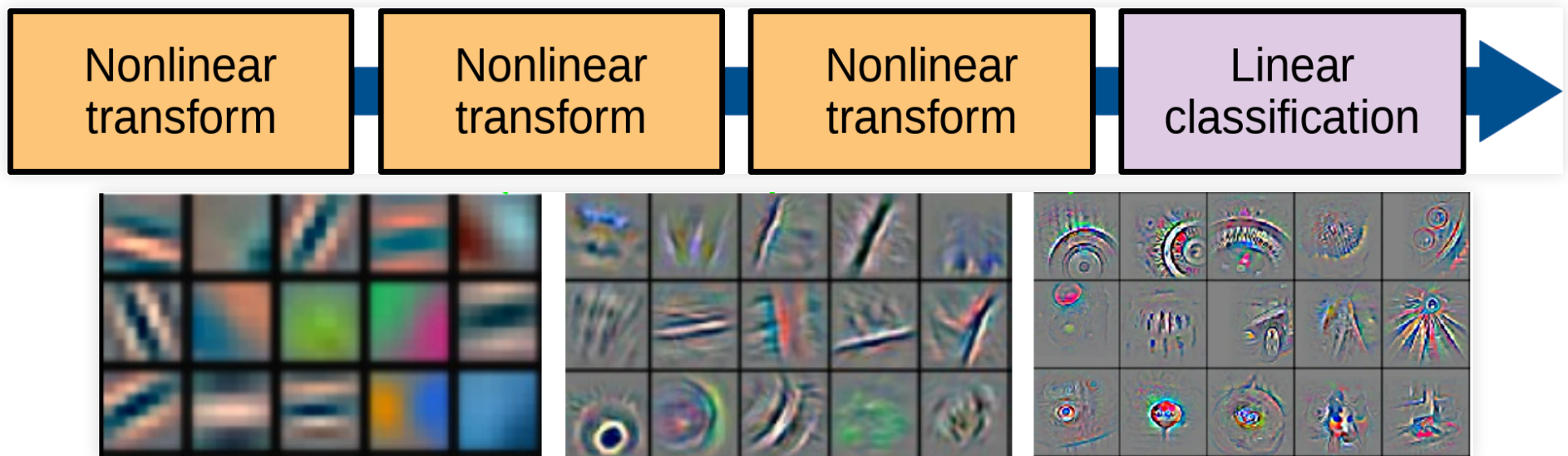
- 2007: Hinton, pre-training of deep feedforward ANN
- 2011: Bengio, rectified linear unit (ReLU)
- New hardware: GPGPU
 - Google Tensor Processing Unit
 - Intel Nervana Neural Network Processor



Evolution of Neural Networks

Deep Learning

- Deep learning involves layers of nonlinear transformations
- These can learn features at different levels

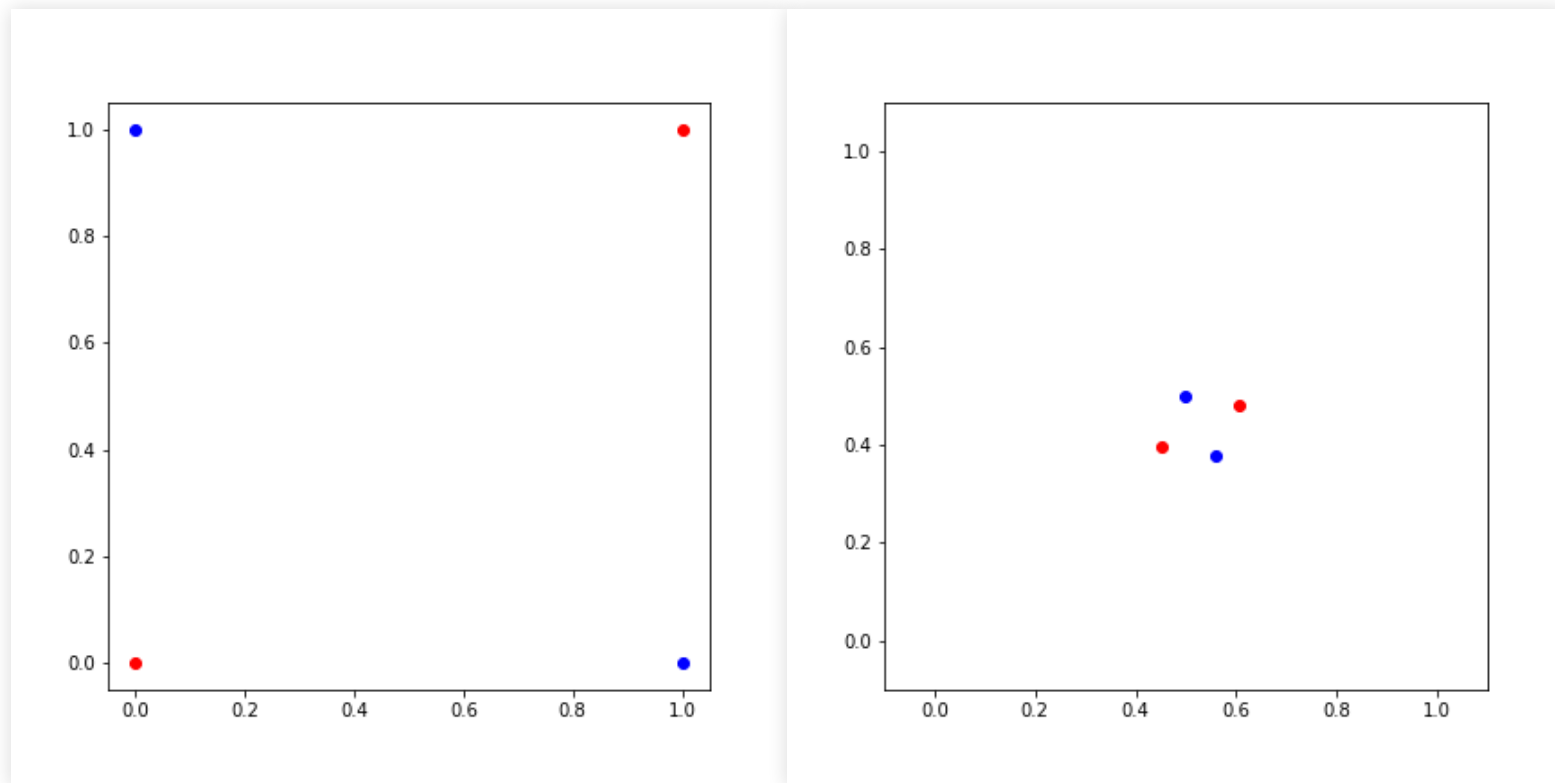


Zeitler, 2014, Visualizing and Understanding Convolutional Networks

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Deep Learning

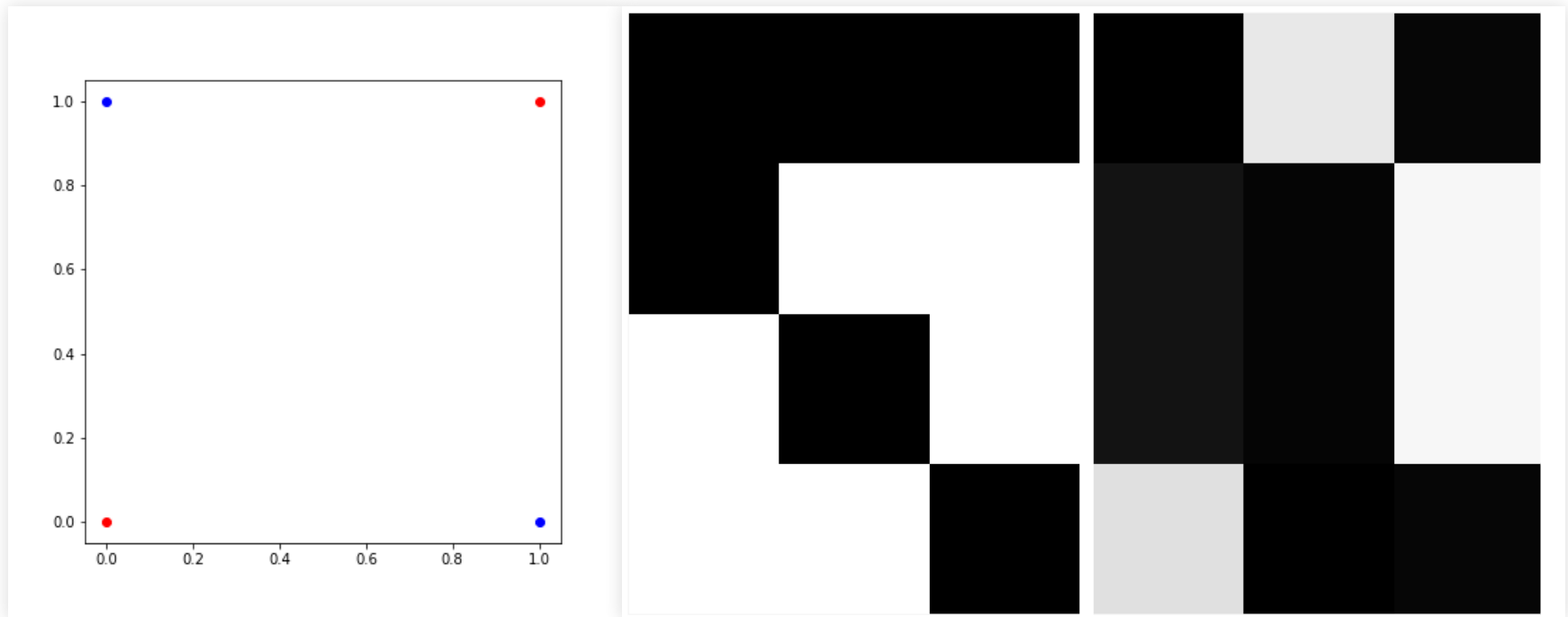
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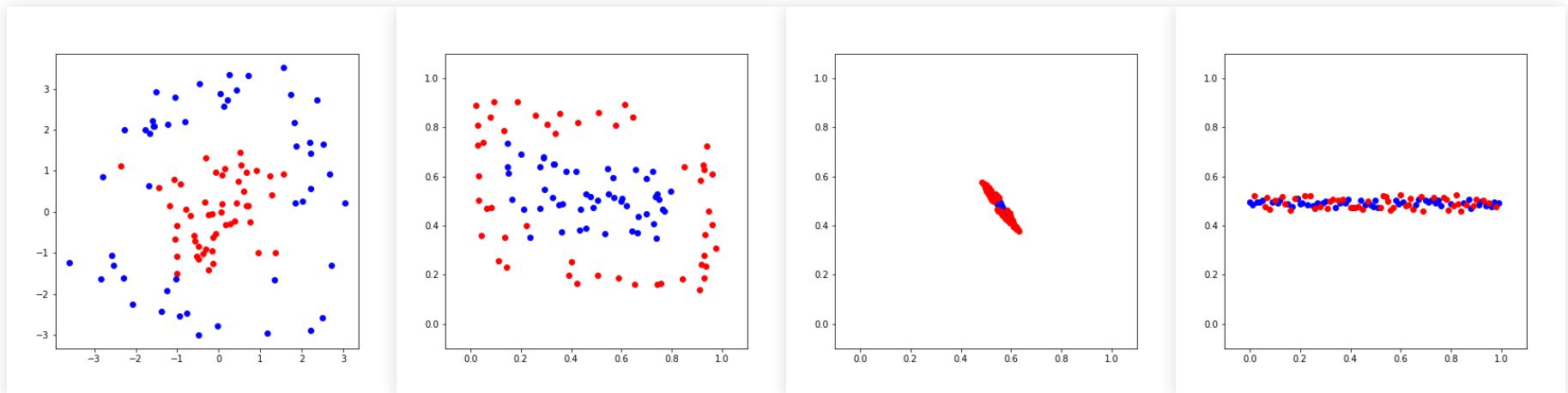
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Evolution of Neural Networks

Deep Learning

- Deep learning involves layers of nonlinear transformations
- More layers (2 input, 2 hidden layers of 2 neurons each, 1 output)

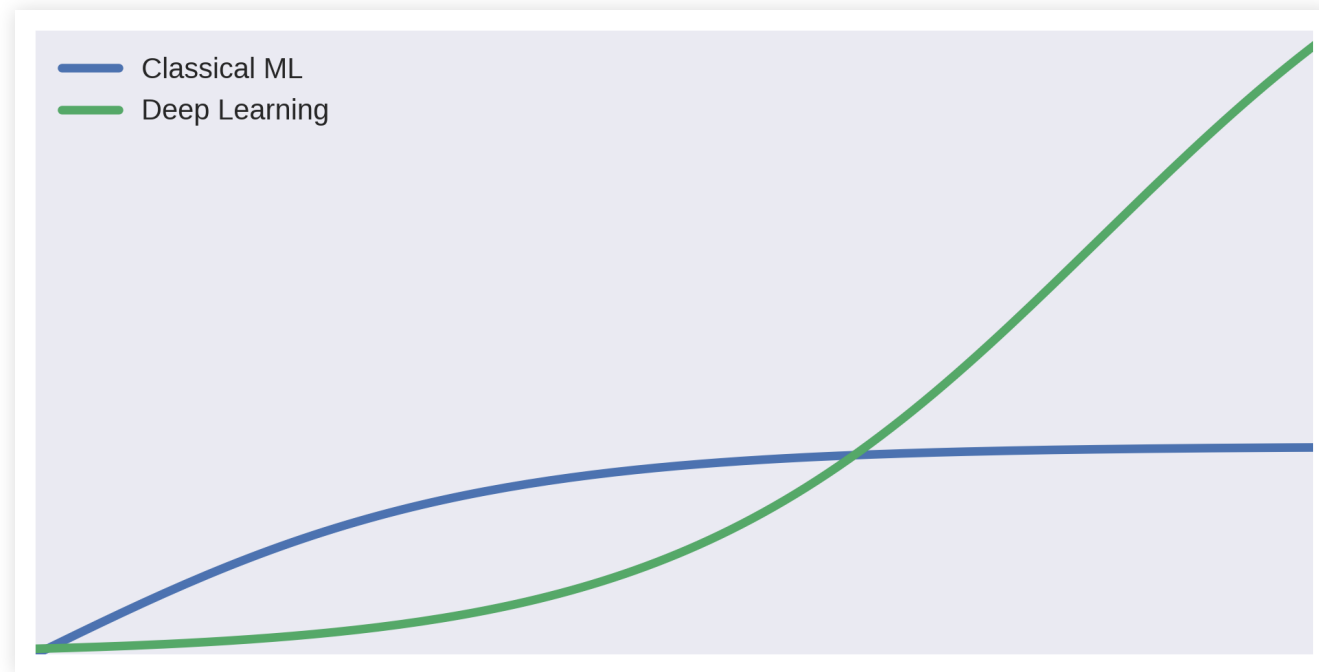


The Triumph of Deep Learning

Why now?

Example: computer vision

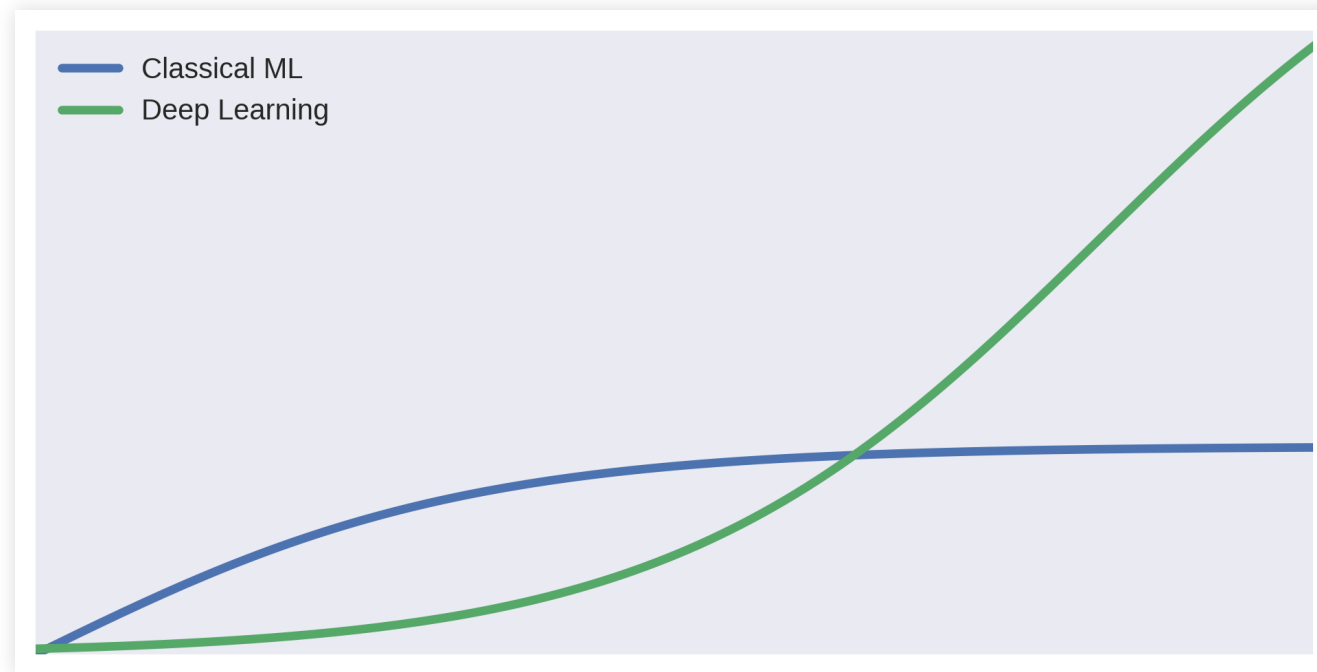
- 2006: Caltech 101 dataset, ~50 images per category (40-800)
- Classical CV models, 26% error
- Also, slow computers



Why now?

Example: computer vision

- 2012: ImageNet dataset (1.2 M images, 1000 categories), GPGPU
- Large convolution networks became dominant



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Deep CNN became dominant:

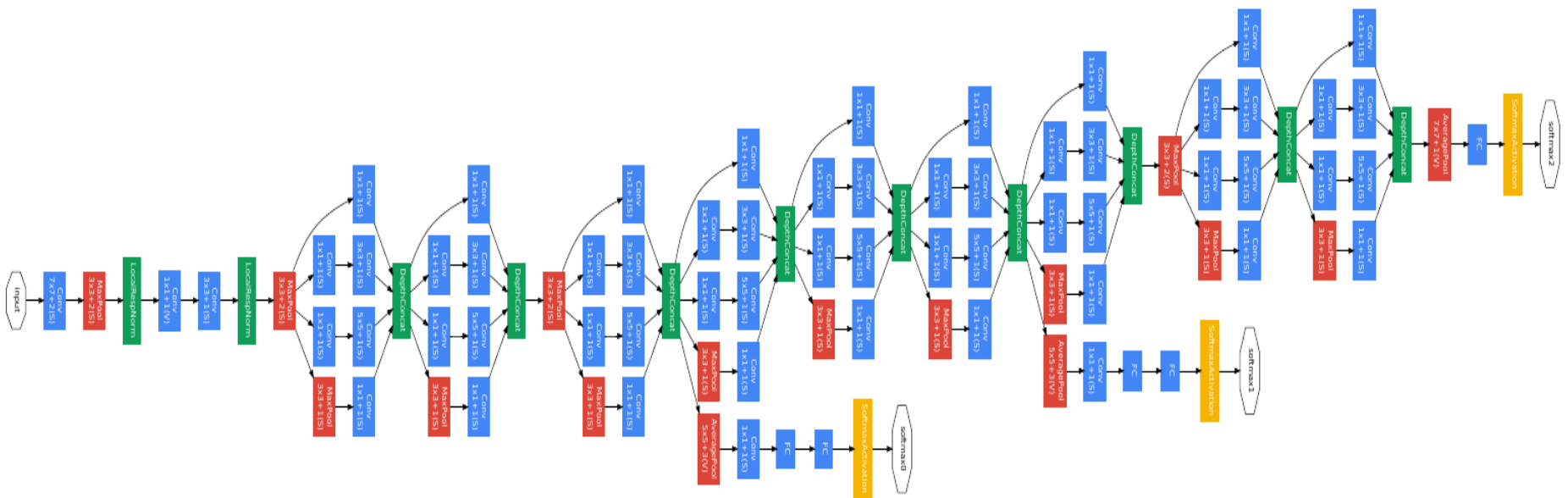
- AlexNet [Krizhevski, Sutskever, Hinton 2012], 15% top-5 error
- OverFeat [Sermanet et al. 2013], 13.8% error
- VGG Net [Simonyan, Zisserman 2014], 7.3% error
- GoogLeNet [Szegedy et al. 2014] 6.6% error
- ResNet [He et al. 2015] 5.7% error

(Yann Le Cun, CERN, 2016)

Why now?

Example: GoogleNet

- Szegedy et. al. 2015, 6.67% top-5 error in ImageNet



22 layers with parameters (+5 pooling) in 100 blocks

Feature Extraction

Classical approach: Feature engineering

- Example: Text mining
 - Bag of words, clustering, concept extraction, sentiment analysis, ...
- Example: Image segmentation
 - Edge detection, thresholding, histograms, ...
- Labour-intensive, takes years to perfect feature extraction methods

Feature Extraction

Classical approach

- Goal in AI: have the computer solve the problems, not us
- Custom-made feature extraction is not good for adapting quickly
- Need to respond to changing conditions
- Adversarial systems (credit fraud, fake social media accounts)



Deep learning solves these problems:



Feature Extraction

Nonlinear expansion of attributes

- We did this explicitly (by hand) with logistic regression
- Support Vector Machines do this automatically

$$\arg \max_{\vec{\alpha}} \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_n - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^N \alpha_n \alpha_m y_n y_m K(\vec{x}_n, \vec{x}_m)$$

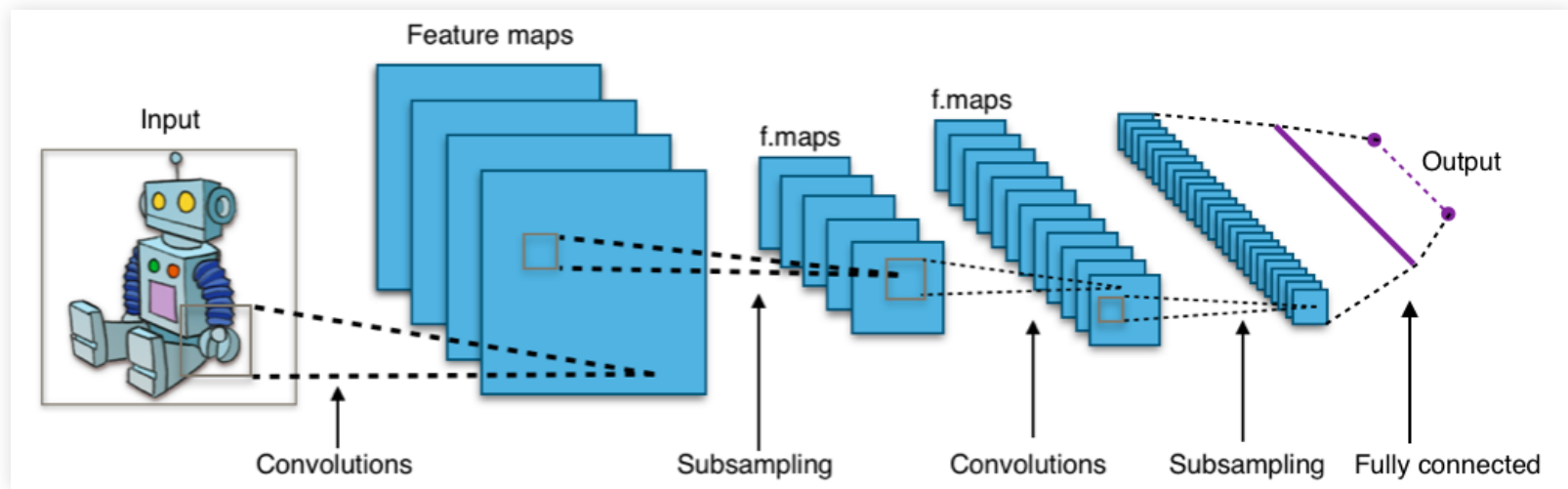
- Where $K(\vec{x}_n, \vec{x}_m)$ is the kernel function for some non-linear expansion ϕ of our original data



Feature Extraction

Deep ANN stack layers with nonlinear responses

- Single neurons are linear classifiers, similar to logistic regression
- But deep networks can be extremely nonlinear, combining different representations

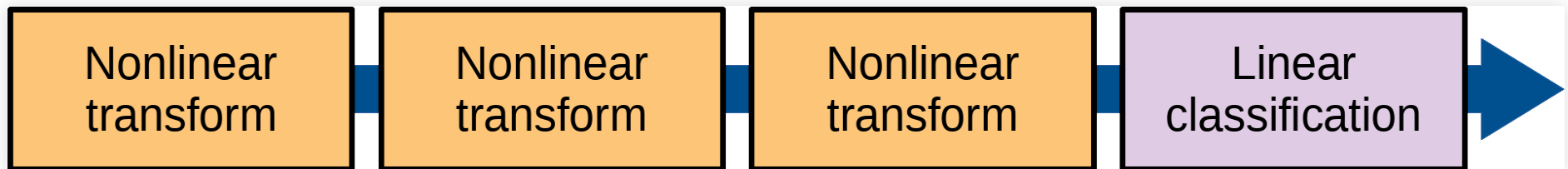


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Feature Extraction

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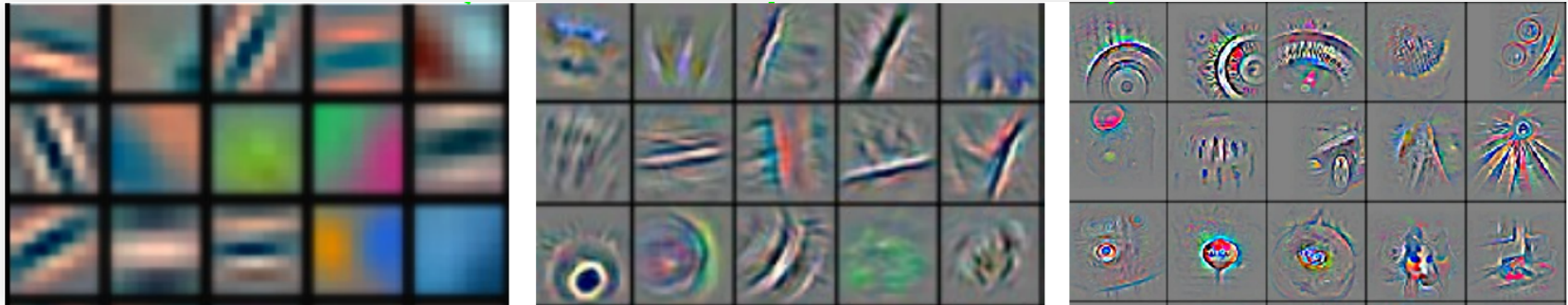
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Feature Extraction

Deep ANN stack layers with nonlinear responses

- These layers can find better representations than a single nonlinear transformation and the representations are learned



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- More efficient representations
 - Instead of one transformation to arbitrarily large space

Universal approximation theorem

- One single layer can approximate any function, locally, with arbitrary precision
- In other words, all we need is one hidden layer (in theory)

Deep networks

- However, deep networks can oscillate more with fewer neurons
- Oscillations are related to Vapnik-Chervonenkis dimension
 - (largest set that can be shattered)

Problem: Vanishing gradients

Vanishing gradients

Backpropagation in Deep Networks

- Output neuron n of layer k receives input from m from layer i through weight j

$$\Delta w_{mkn}^j = -\eta \frac{\delta E_{kn}^j}{\delta s_{kn}^j} \frac{\delta s_{kn}^j}{\delta net_{kn}^j} \frac{\delta net_{kn}^j}{\delta w_{mkn}} = \eta (t^j - s_{kn}^j) s_{kn}^j (1 - s_{kn}^j) s_{im}^j = \eta \delta_{kn} s_{im}^j$$

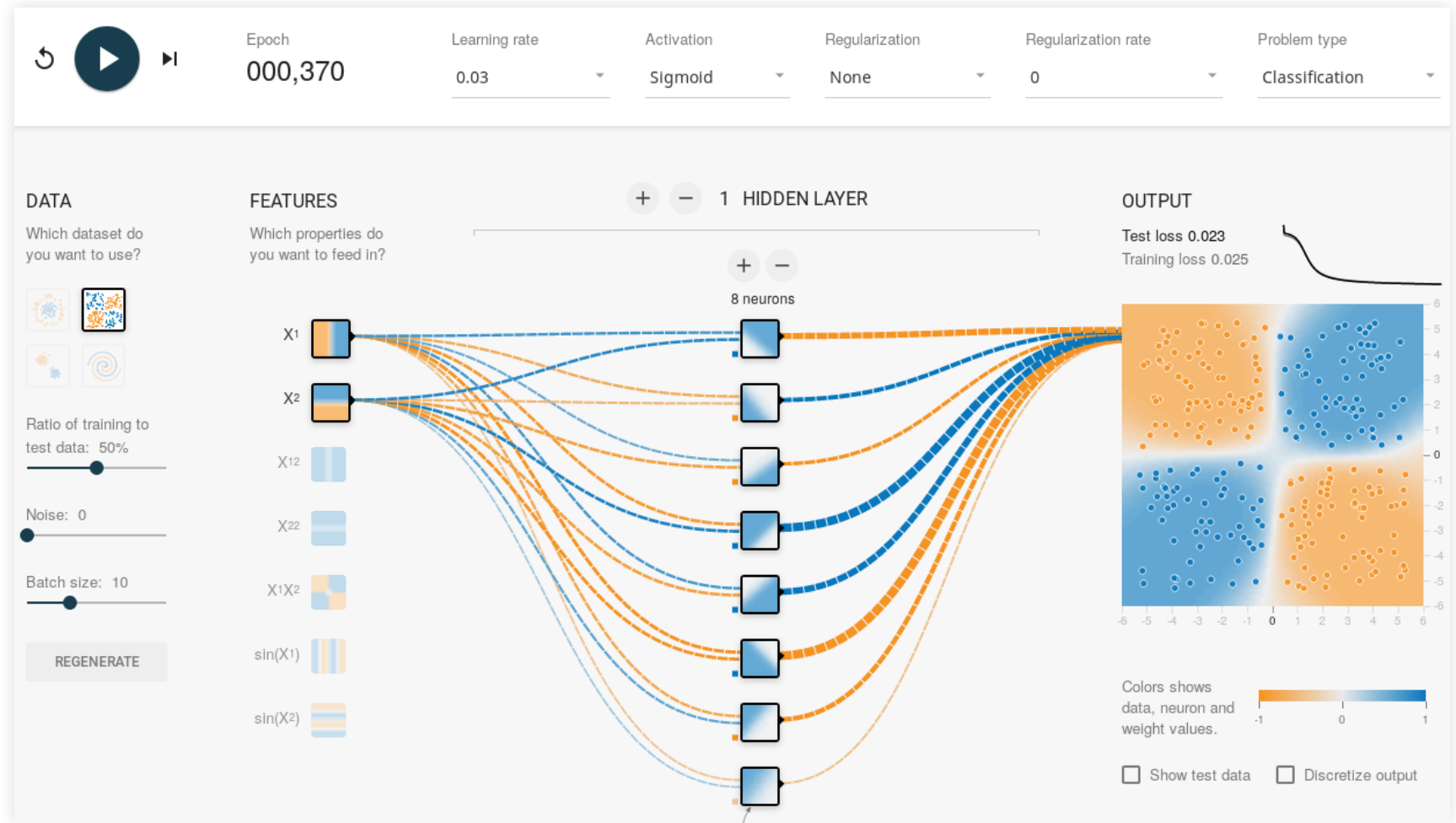
- For a weight m on hidden layer i , we must propagate the output error backwards from all neurons ahead

$$\Delta w_{min}^j = -\eta \left(\sum_p \frac{\delta E_{kp}^j}{\delta s_{kp}^j} \frac{\delta s_{kp}^j}{\delta net_{kp}^j} \frac{\delta net_{kp}^j}{\delta s_{in}^j} \right) \frac{\delta s_{in}^j}{\delta net_{in}^j} \frac{\delta net_{in}^j}{\delta w_{min}}$$

- If δs is small (vanishing gradient) backpropagation becomes ineffective as we increase depth
- This happens with logistic activation (or similar, such as TanH)

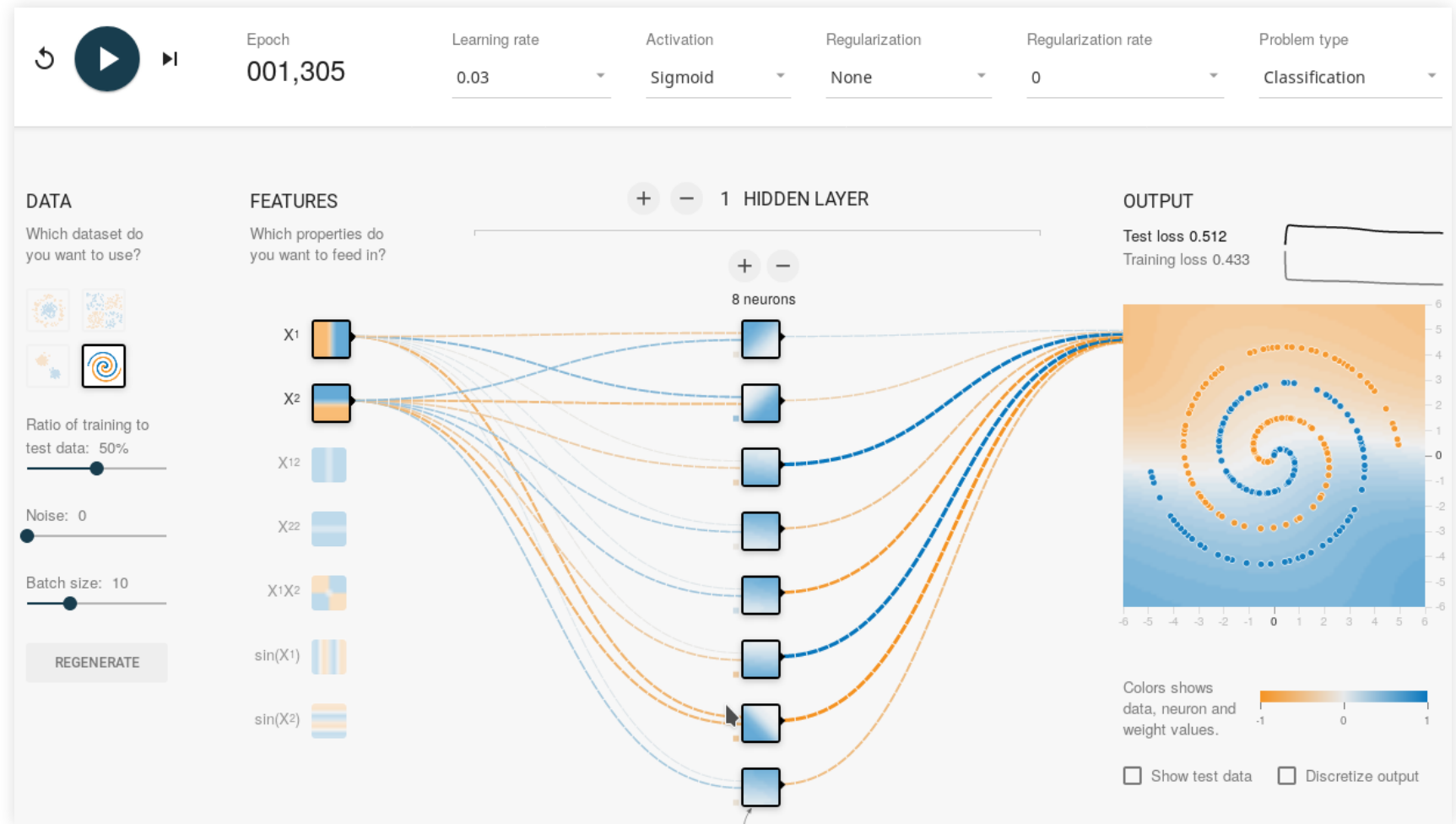
Vanishing gradients

- Single hidden layer, sigmoid, works fine here



Vanishing gradients

- Single hidden layer, sigmoid, doesn't work here with 8 neurons



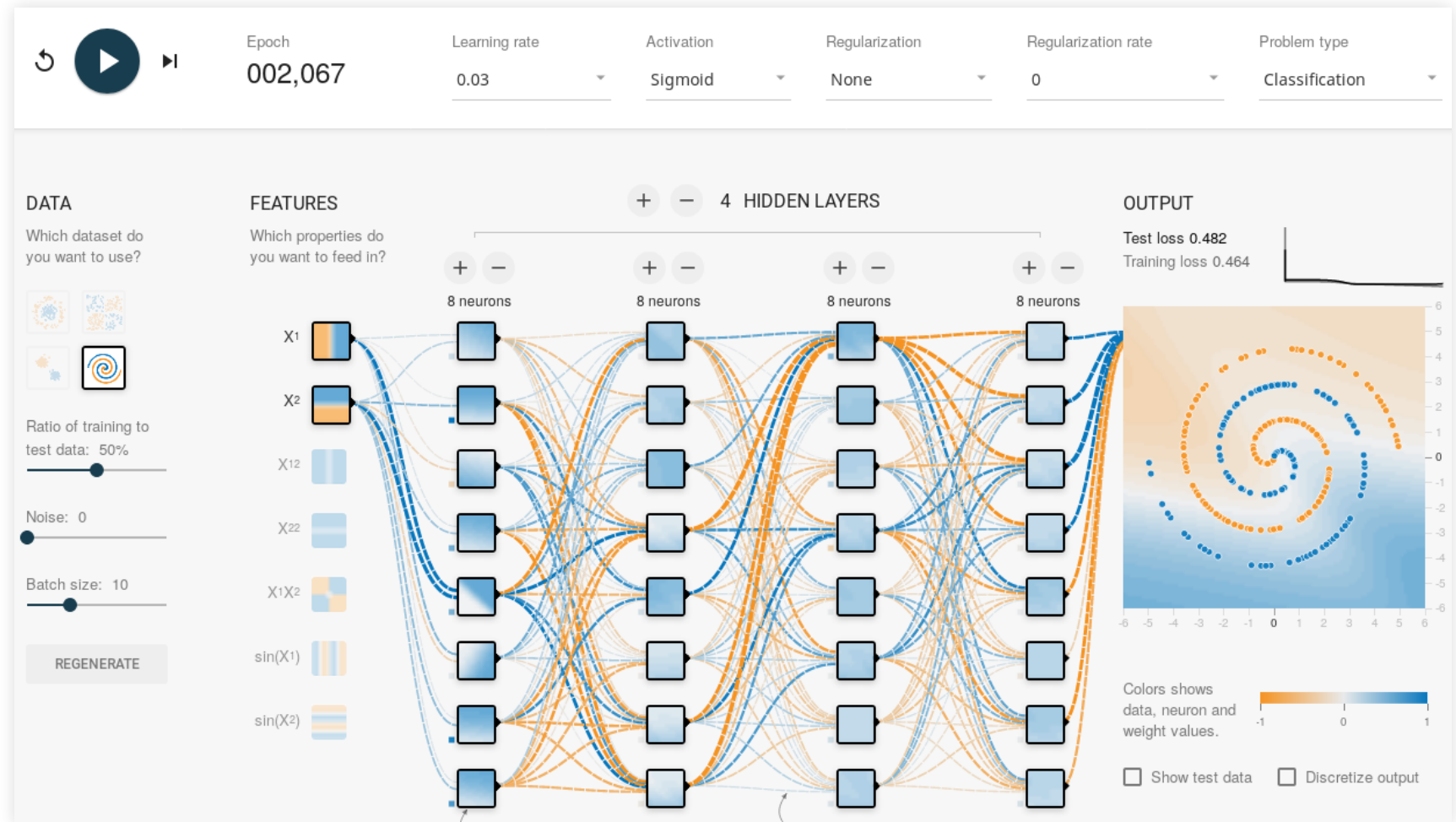
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- Increasing depth does not seem to help



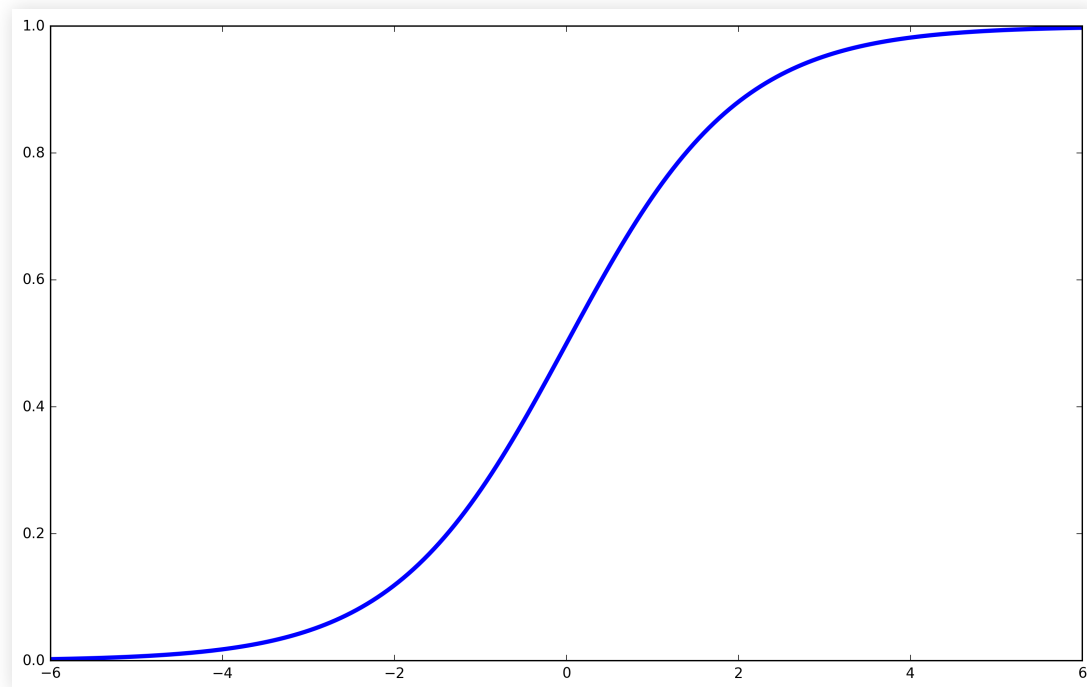
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Vanishing gradients

- Increasing depth does not seem to help
- Sigmoid activation saturates and gradients vanish with large coefs.

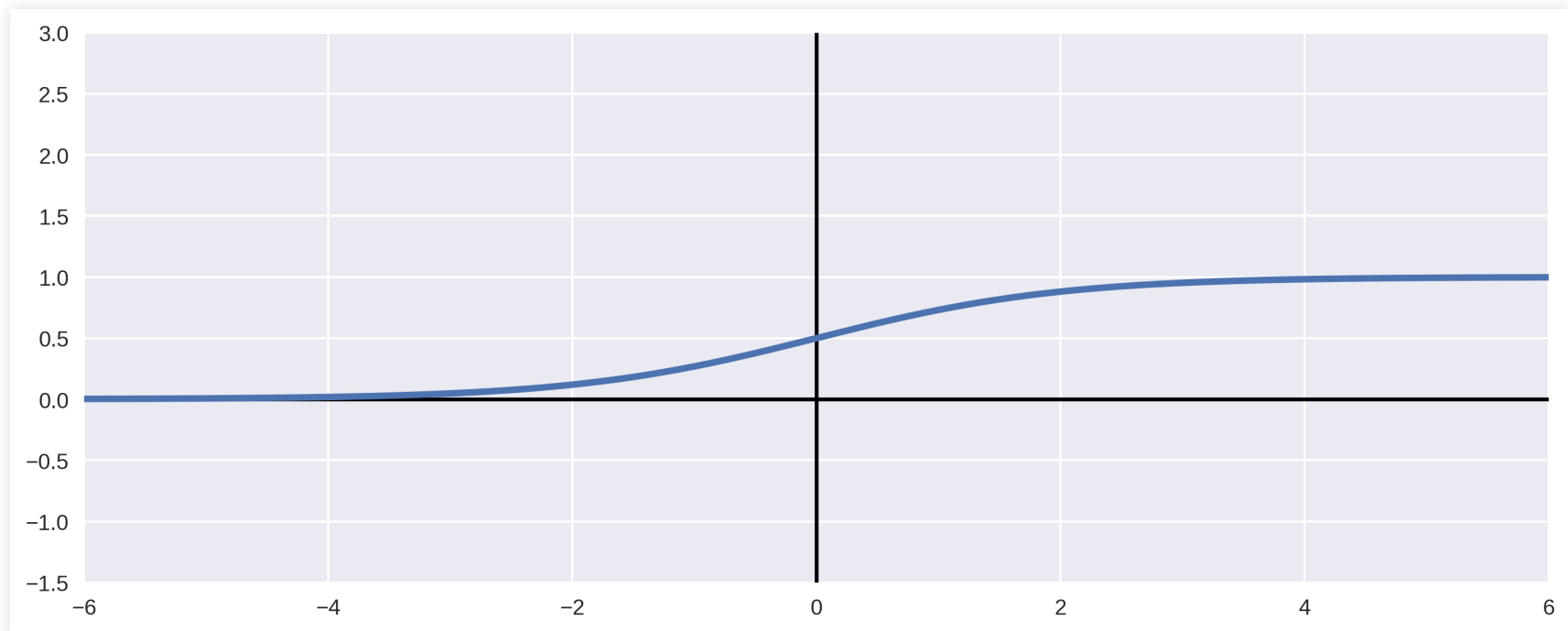


Rectified Linear Unit

Sigmoid

- Sigmoid activation units saturate

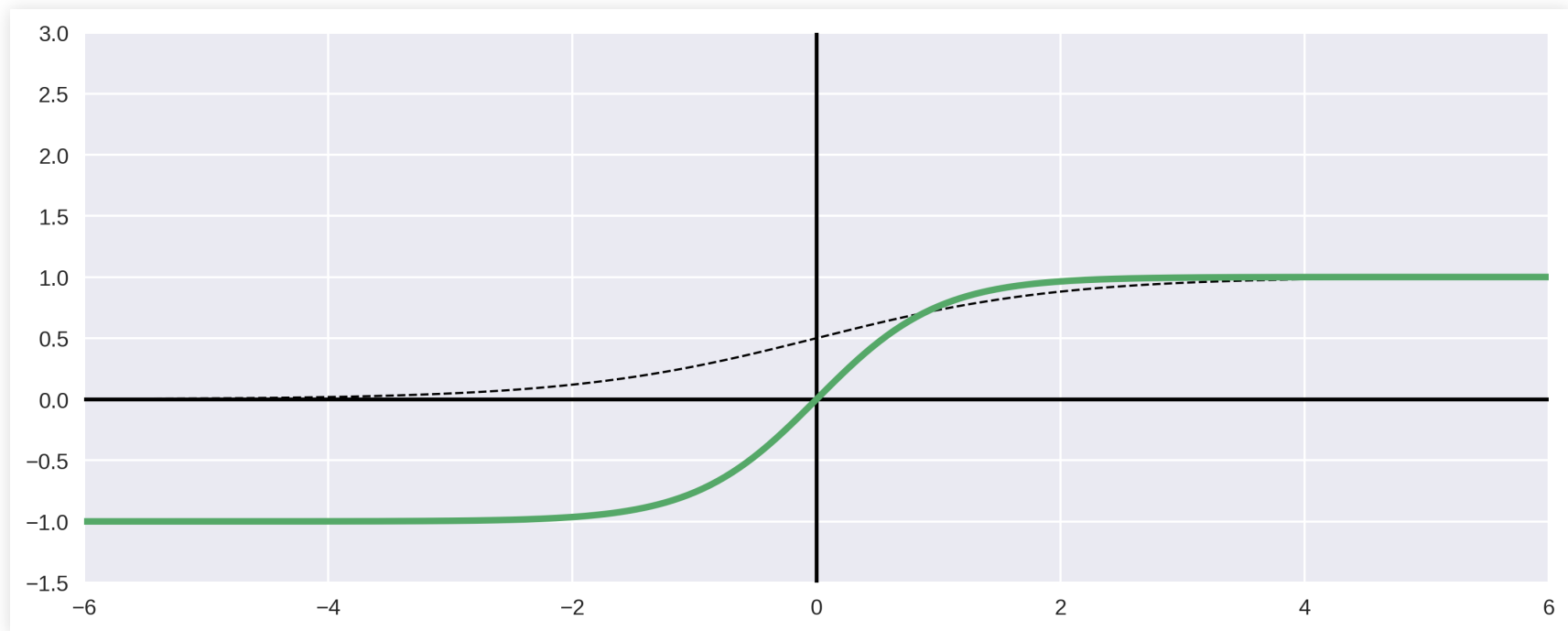
$$y_i = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x_i}}$$



Other similar activations

- The same happens with hyperbolic tangent

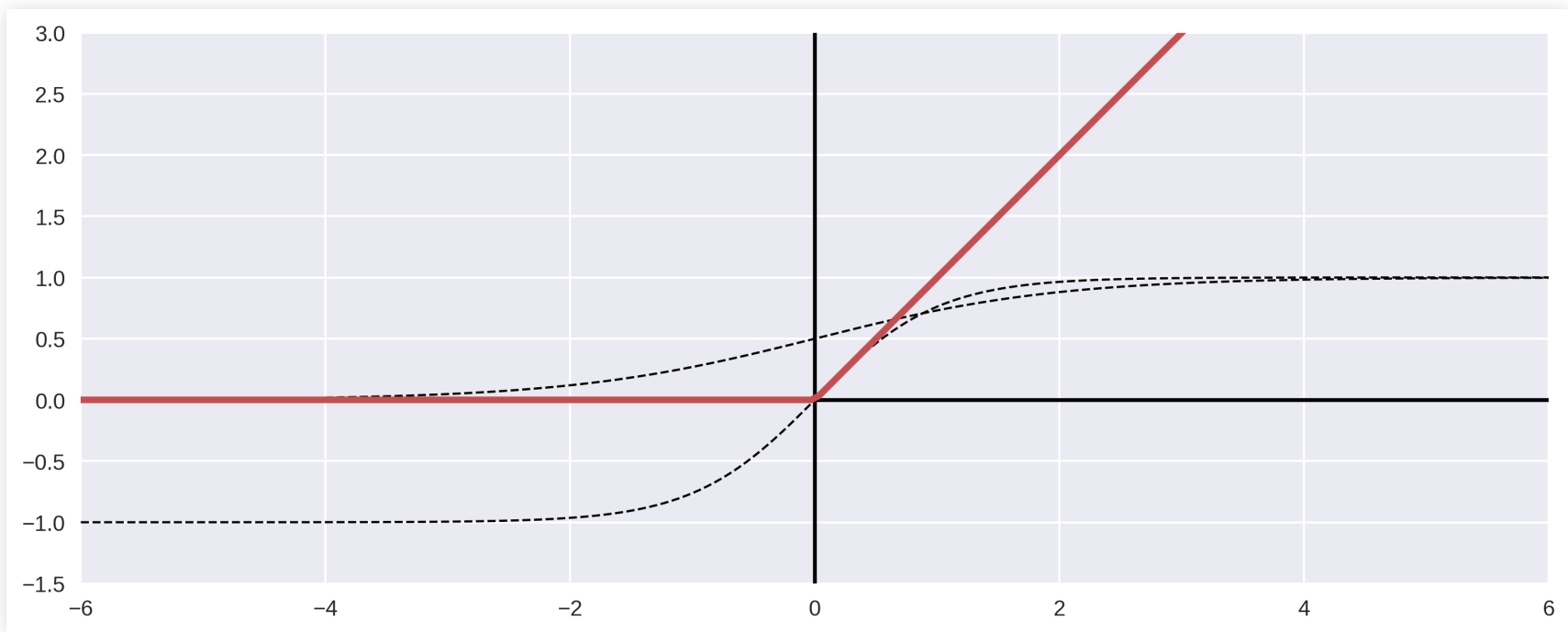
$$y_i = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$



Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)

- Rectified linear units do not have this problem

$$y_i = \begin{cases} x_i & x_i > 0 \\ 0 & x_i \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

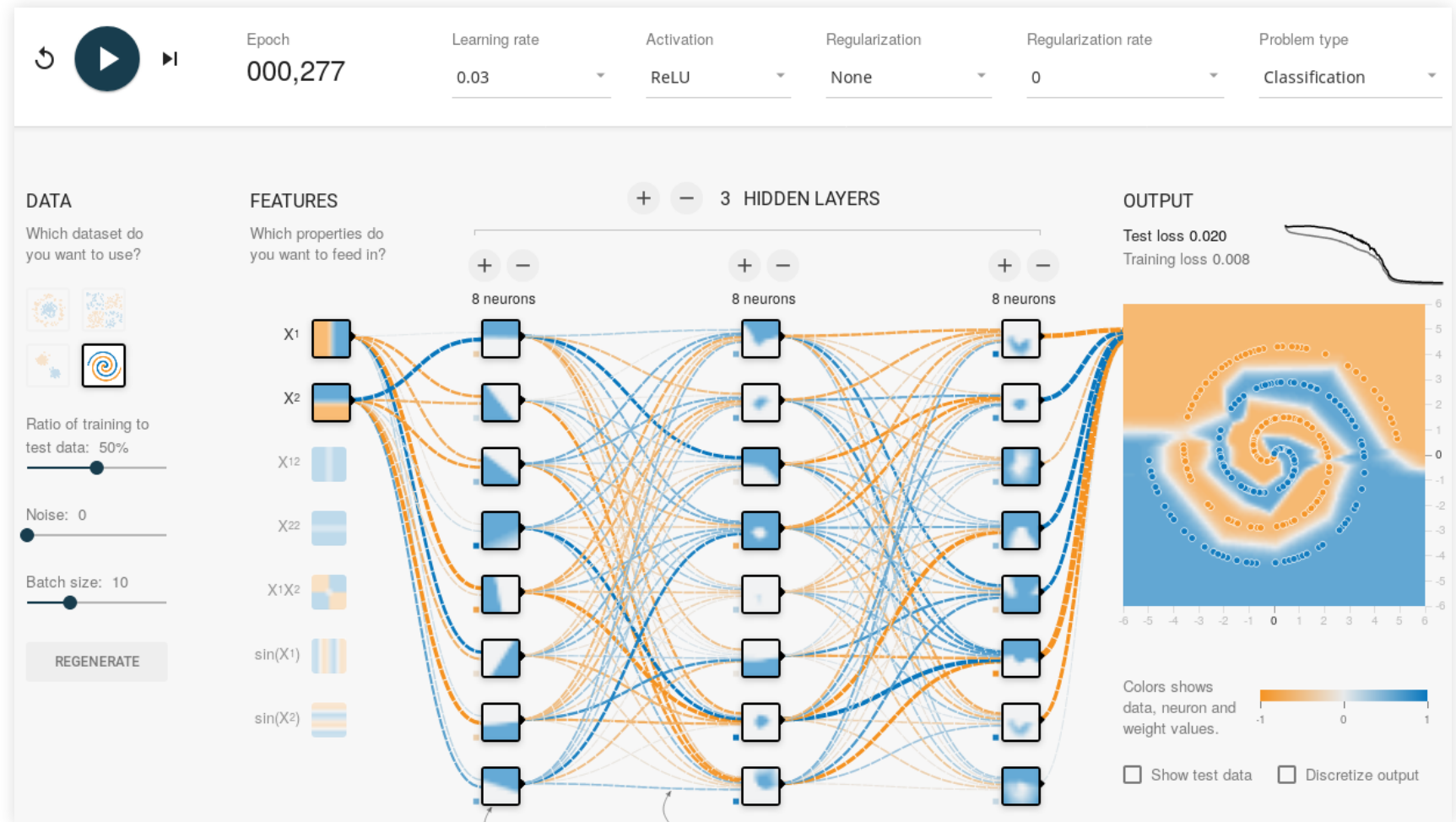


■ Sigmoid activation, 3 layers



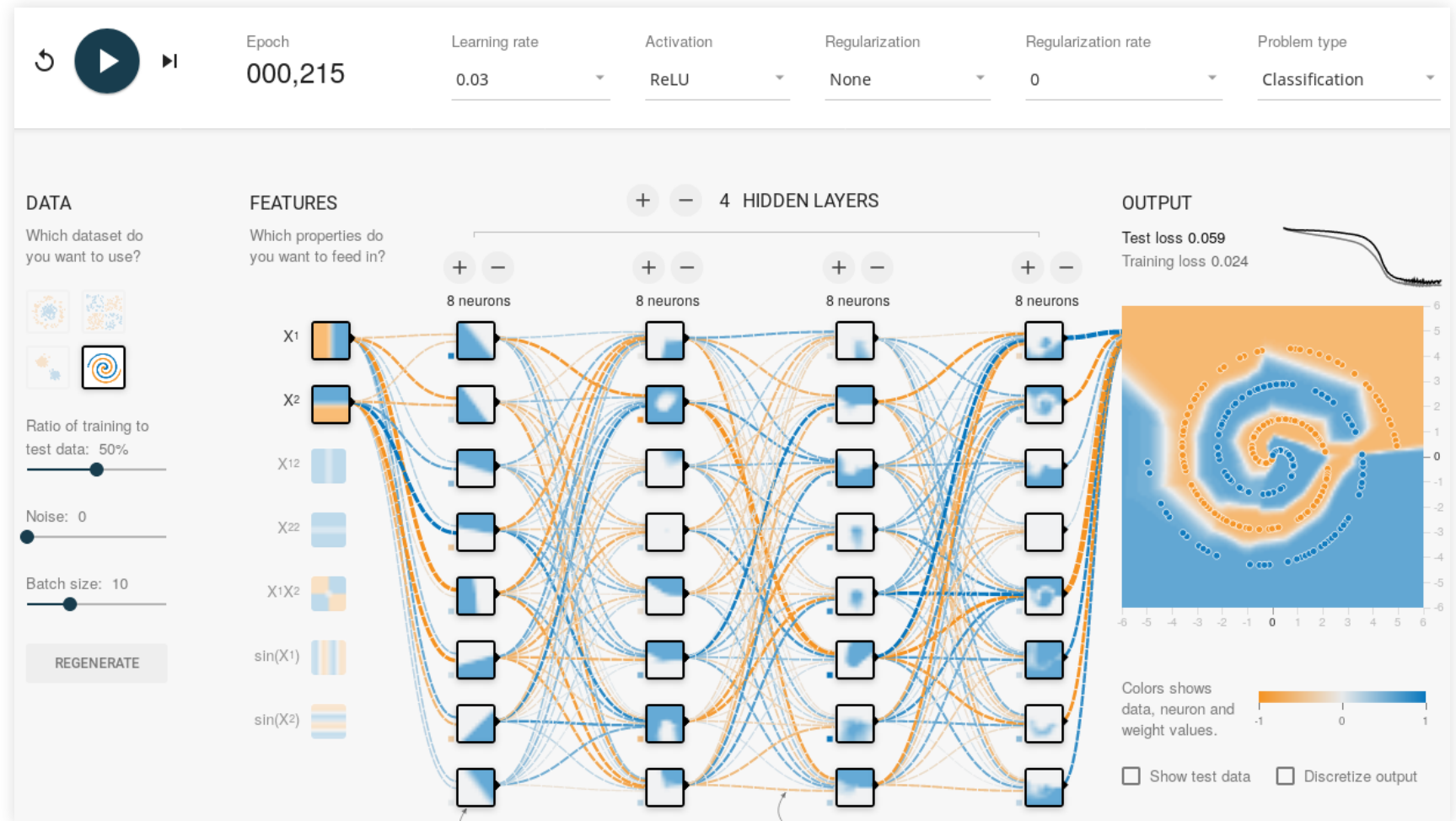
ReLU

ReLU activation, 3 layers



ReLU

■ ReLU activation, 4 layers

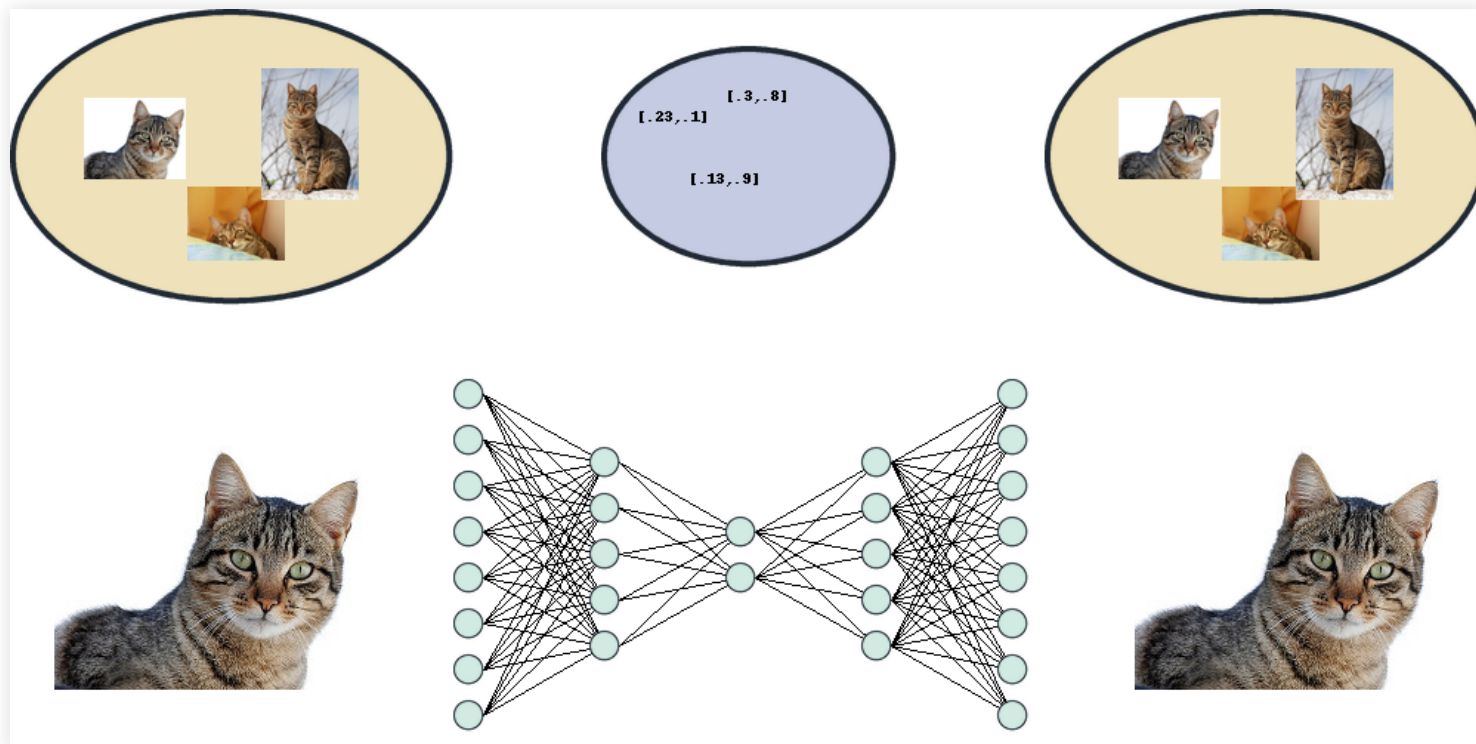


Example: Autoencoders

Autoencoders

Network trained to output the input (unsupervised)

- In the hidden layers, one layer learns a **code** describing the input

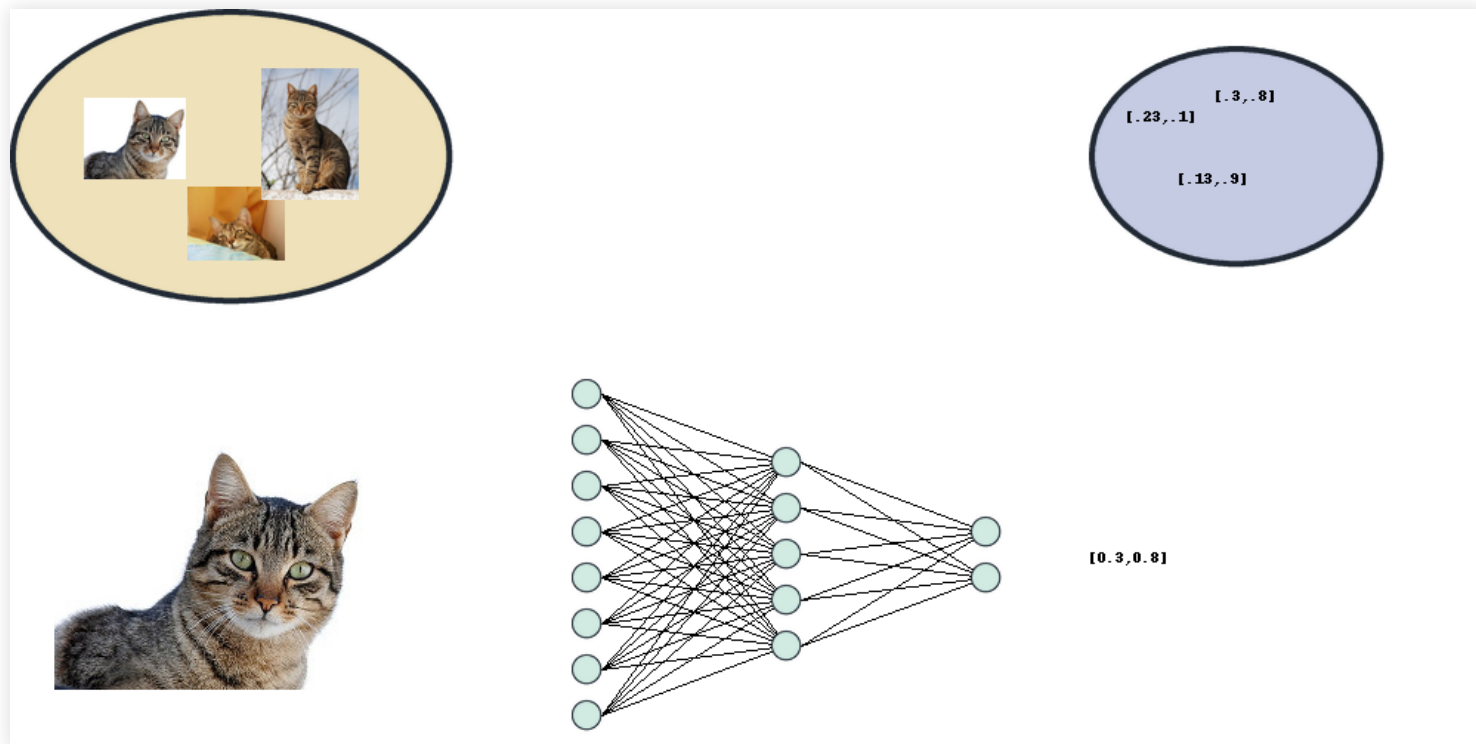


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Autoencoders

Network trained to output the input (unsupervised)

- The encoder maps from input to **latent space**

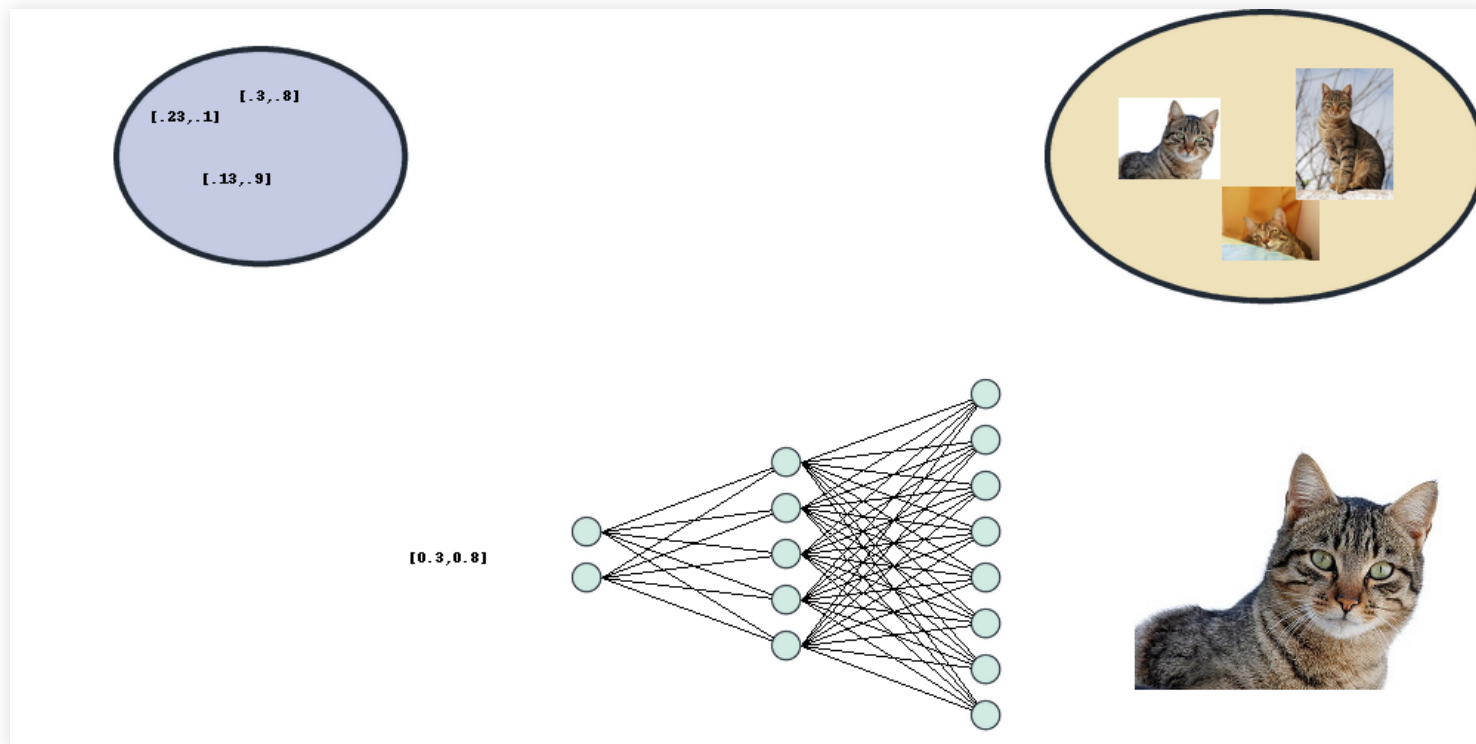


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Autoencoders

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- The decoder maps from **latent space** back to input space

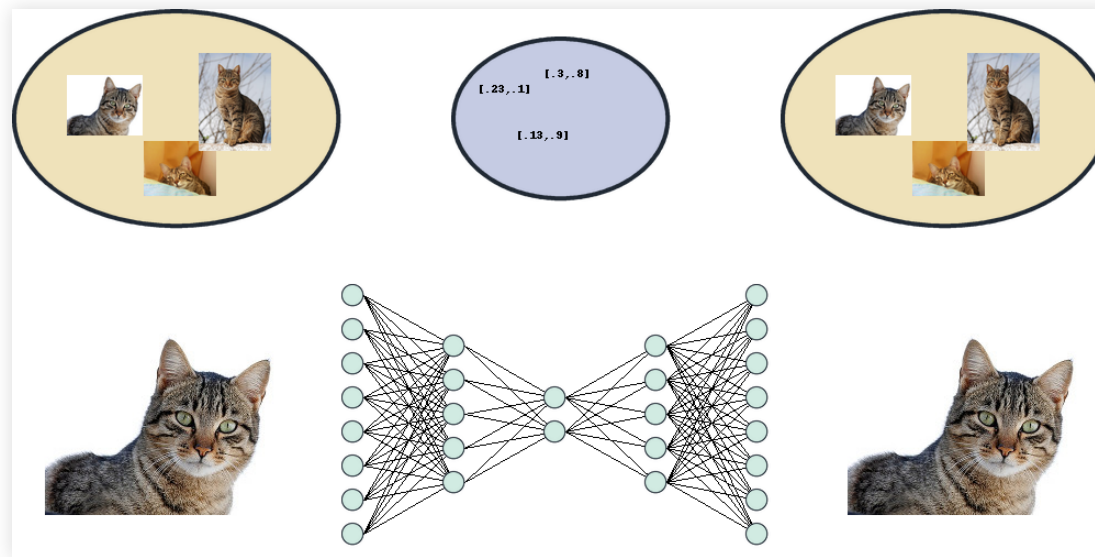


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Autoencoders

Network trained to output the input (unsupervised)

- Encoder, $h = f(x)$, and decoder, $x = g(h)$
- No need for labels, since the target is the input
- Why learn $x = g(f(x))$?



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Network trained to output the input (unsupervised)

- Encoder, $h = f(x)$, and decoder, $x = g(h)$
- Why learn $x = g(f(x))$?
- Latent representation can have advantages
 - Lower dimension
 - Capture structure in the data
 - Data compression
- As long as we can force the autoencoder to do something useful

Autoencoders

Network trained to output the input (unsupervised)

- Encoder, $h = f(x)$, and decoder, $x = g(h)$
- Autoencoders are just feedforward networks
- Can be trained with the same algorithms, such as backpropagation
- But since the target is x , they are unsupervised learners
- Need some "bottleneck" to force a useful representation
- Otherwise just copies values

More like how we learn?

- Children do not learn with labelled examples
- We learn by exposure to mostly unlabelled examples

Different types of autoencoders

Undercomplete Autoencoders

Autoencoder is undercomplete if h is smaller than x

- Forces the network to learn reduced representation of input
- Trained by minimizing a loss function

$$L(x, g(f(x)))$$

that penalizes the difference between x and $g(f(x))$

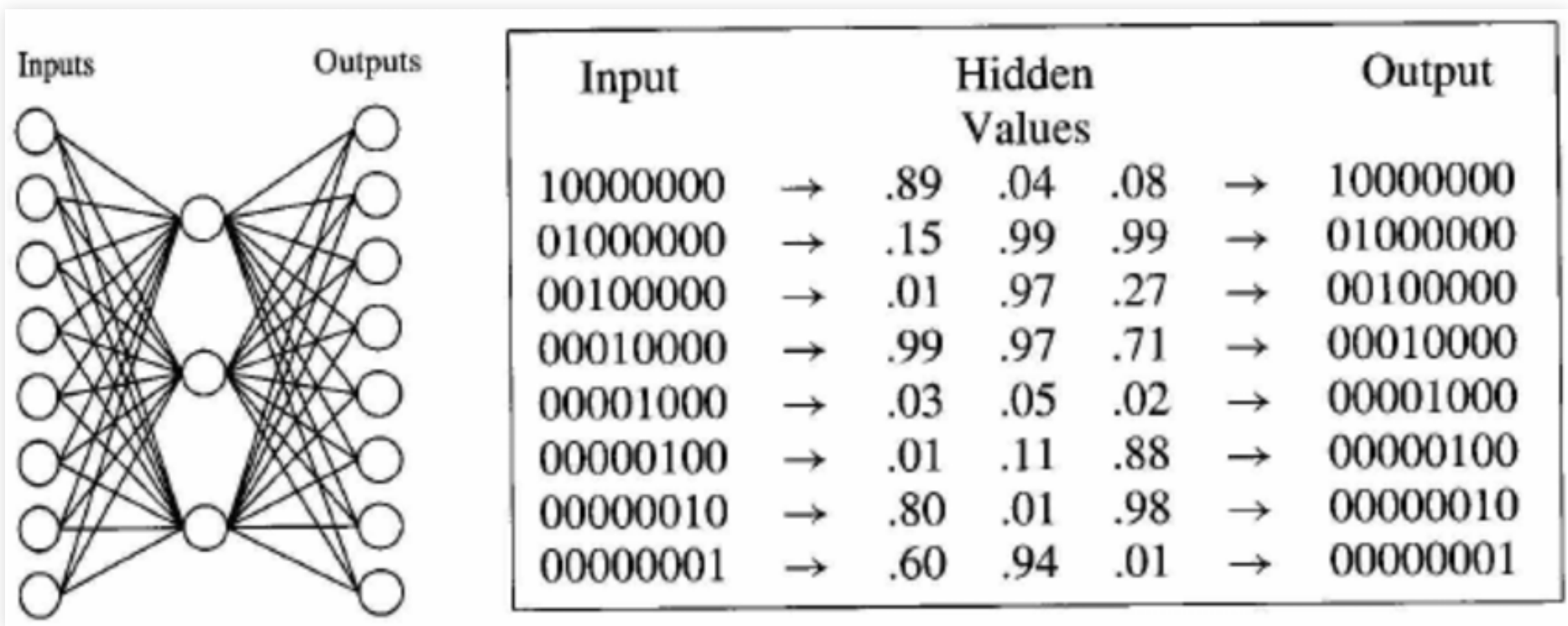
- If linear it is similar to PCA (without orthogonality constraint)
- With nonlinear transformations, an undercomplete autoencoder can learn more powerful representations
- However, we cannot overdo it
- With too much power, autoencoder can just index each training example and learn nothing useful:

$$f(x_i) = i, \quad g(i) = x_i$$

Undercomplete Autoencoders

Autoencoder is undercomplete if h is smaller than x

- Mitchell's autoencoder, hidden layer of 3 neurons

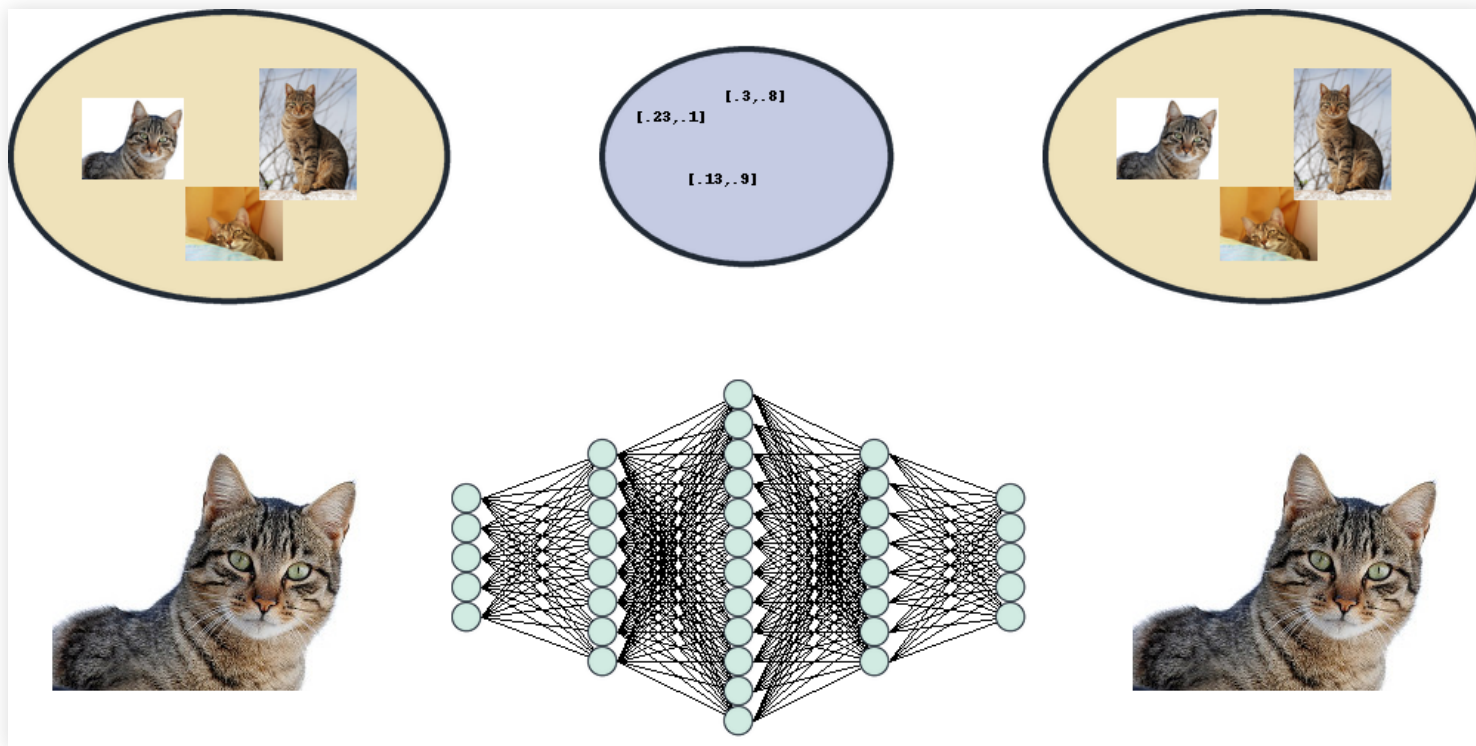


Tom M. Mitchell, Machine Learning, McGraw Hill 1997

Regularized Autoencoders

An overcomplete autoencoder has $h \geq x$

- This, by itself, is a bad idea as h will not represent anything useful



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Contractive Autoencoders

An overcomplete autoencoder has $h \geq x$

- But we can restrict h with regularization
- This way the autoencoder also learns how restricted h should be

Example: contractive autoencoder

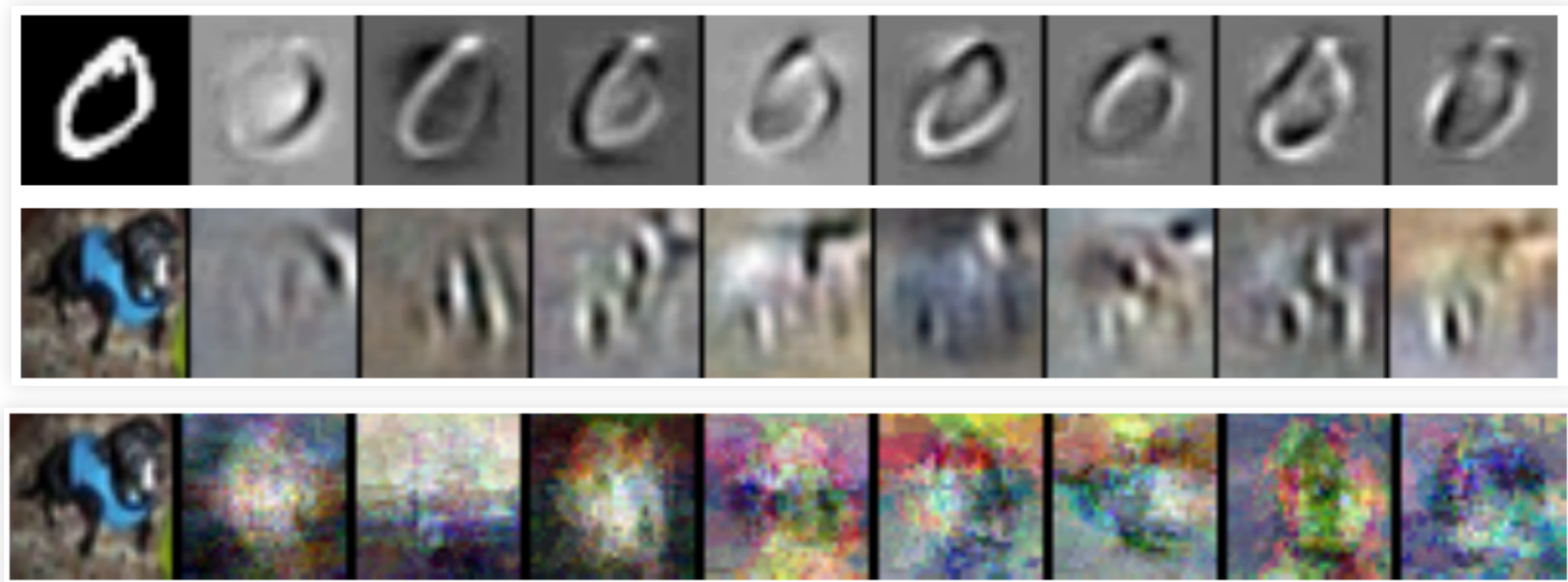
- Penalize the derivatives of activation w.r.t. inputs

$$L(x, g(f(x))) + \lambda \sum_i \|\nabla_x h_i\|^2$$

- This makes h less sensitive to small variations in the input
- More robust encoding; similar examples are close together
- It also favours smaller weights
- (the derivative of the activation w.r.t. the input depends on the weights)
- This restricts h to important aspects of the input distribution

Contractive Autoencoders

- CAE approximate the manifold where data is distributed
- Allows for better learning with fewer data, compared to e.g. PCA



Leading SV of the Jacobian (Rifai et. al., Manifold Tangent Classifier, 2011)

Sparse Autoencoders

Force h to have few activations (sparse)

- Example: we want the probability of h_i firing

$$\hat{\rho}_i = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m h_i(x_j)$$

to be equal to ρ (the sparseness parameter)

- We can use the Kullback-Leibler divergence between Bernoulli variables as a regularization penalty

$$L(x, g(f(x))) + \lambda \sum_i \left(\rho \log \frac{\rho}{\hat{\rho}_i} + (1 - \rho) \log \frac{1 - \rho}{1 - \hat{\rho}_i} \right)$$

- Note: sparseness may be due to small, nonzero, activations
- But it can correspond to zero activation in neurons if using ReLU

Sparse Autoencoders

Sparse autoencoders make neurons specialize

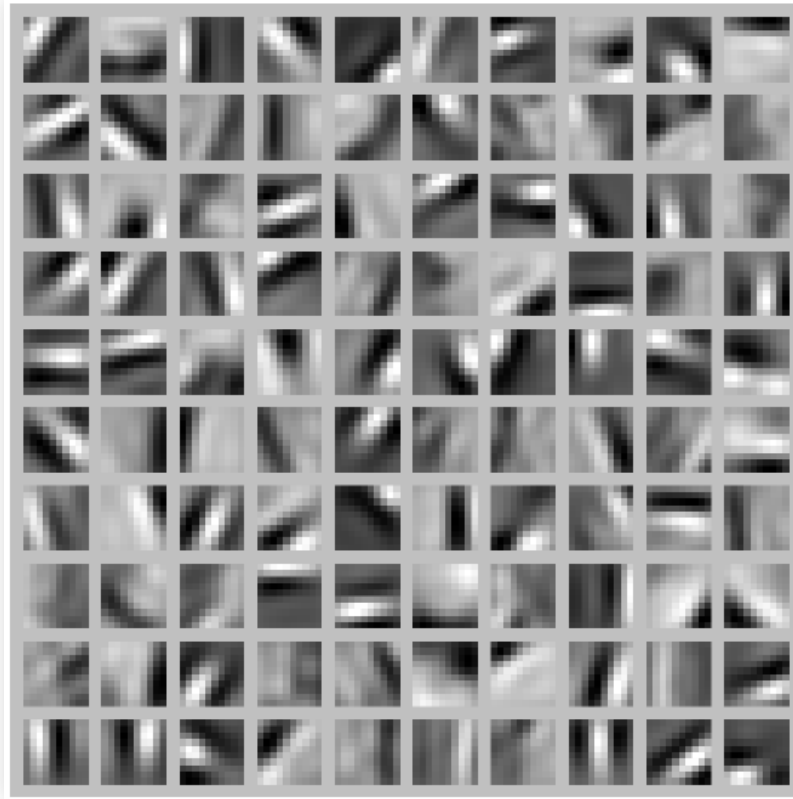


Image: Andrew Ng

- Trained on 10x10 images
- 100 neurons on h
- Images (norm-bounded) that maximize activation

Denoising Autoencoders

We can force h to be learned with noisy inputs

- Output the original x from corrupted $\tilde{x}$: $L(x, g(f(\tilde{x})))$

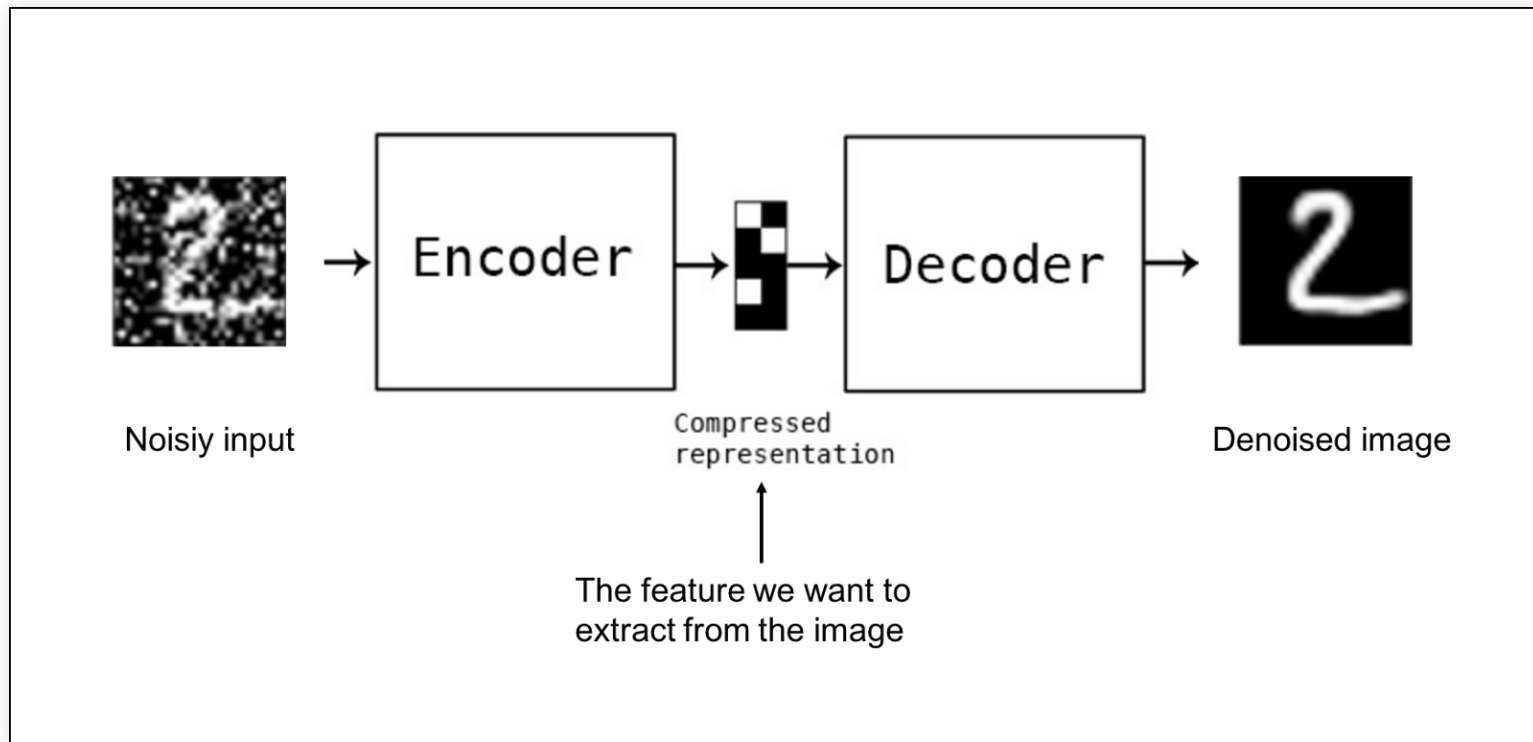
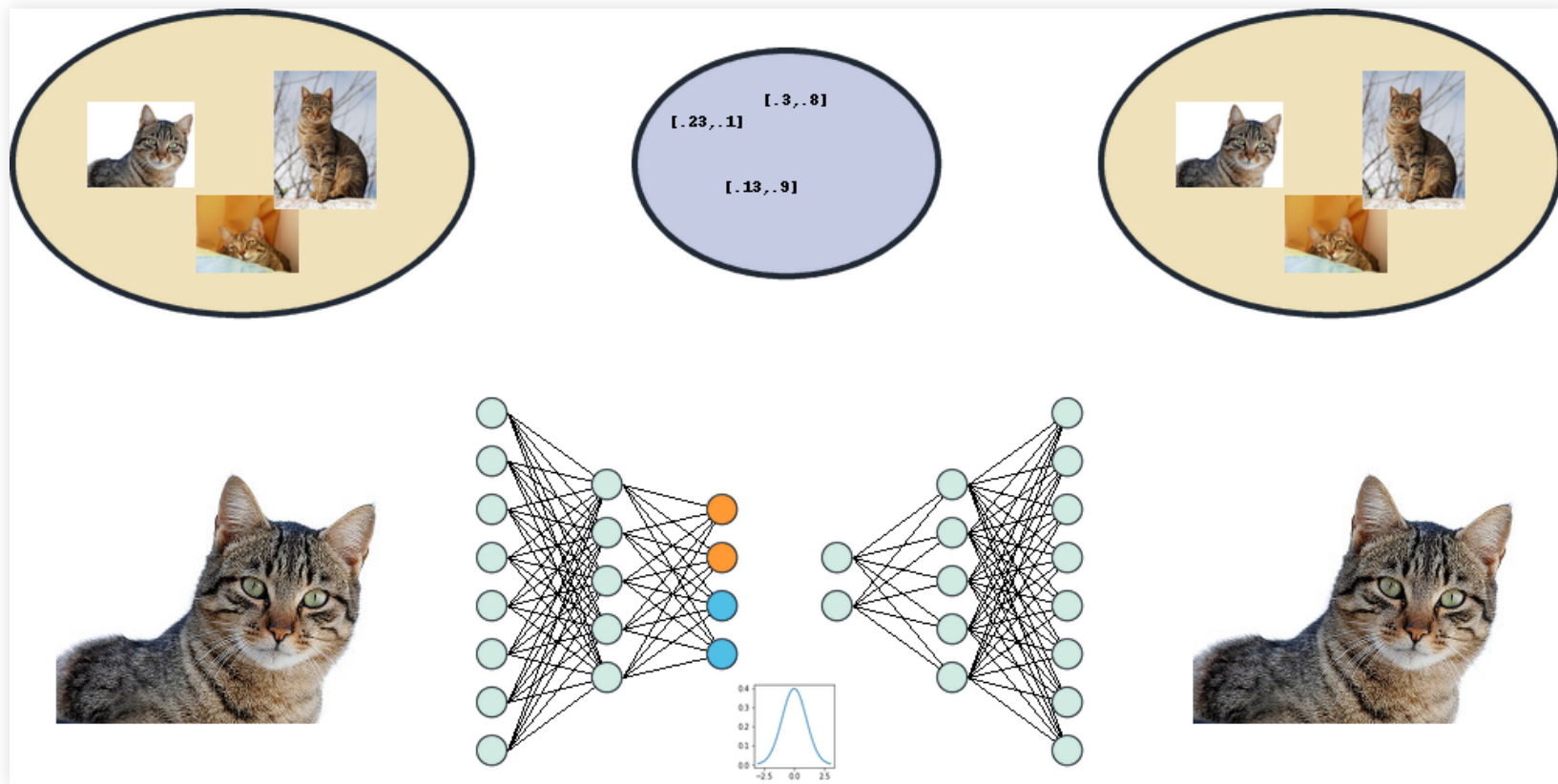


Image: Adil Baaj, Keras Tutorial on DAE

Variational Autoencoders

Variational Autoencoders

- Train the autoencoder to encode into a known distribution
- E.g. mixture of independent Gaussians



Variational Autoencoders

- How do we backpropagate through random sampling?
- Reparametrize: z is deterministic apart from a normally distributed error

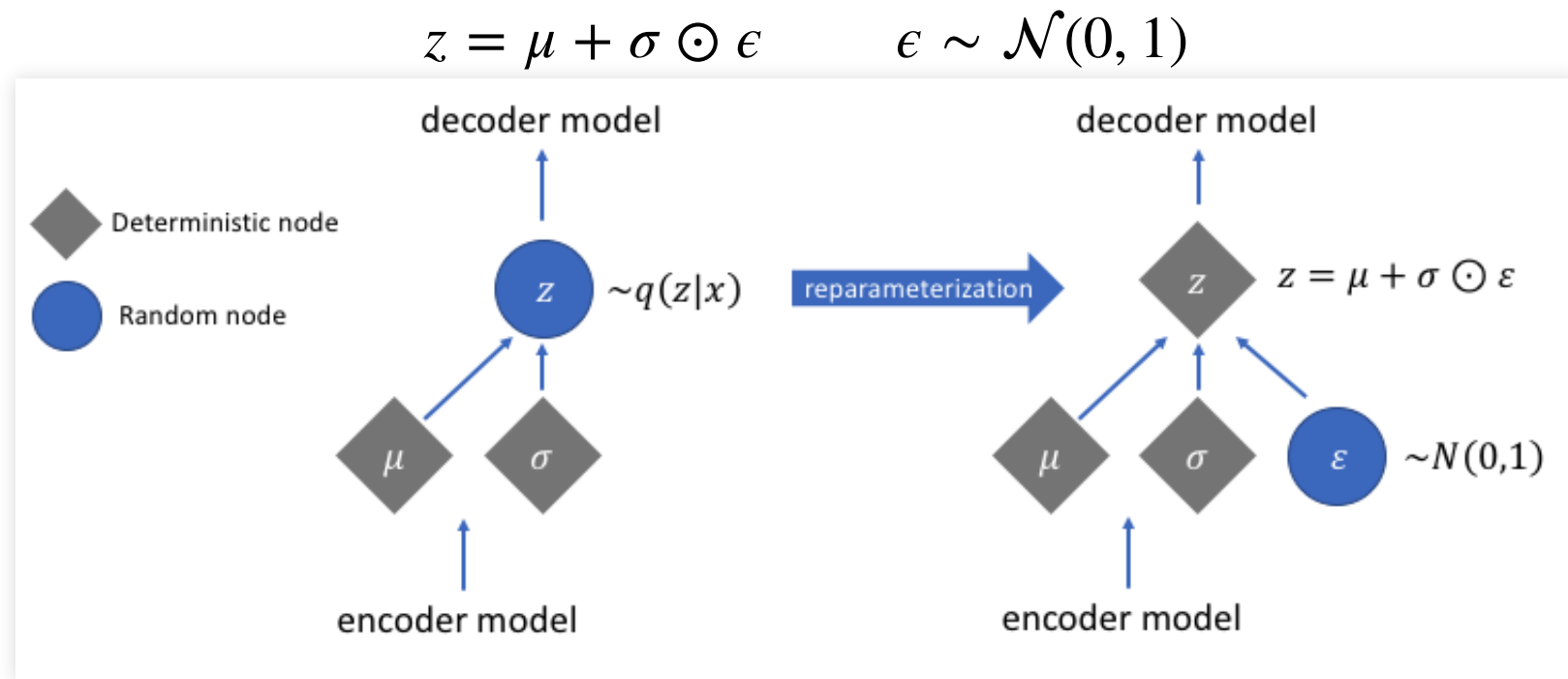


Image: Jeremy Jordan, Variational autoencoders.

Variational Autoencoders

- VAE can learn to disentangle meaningful attributes
- We can force the independence of the latent variables

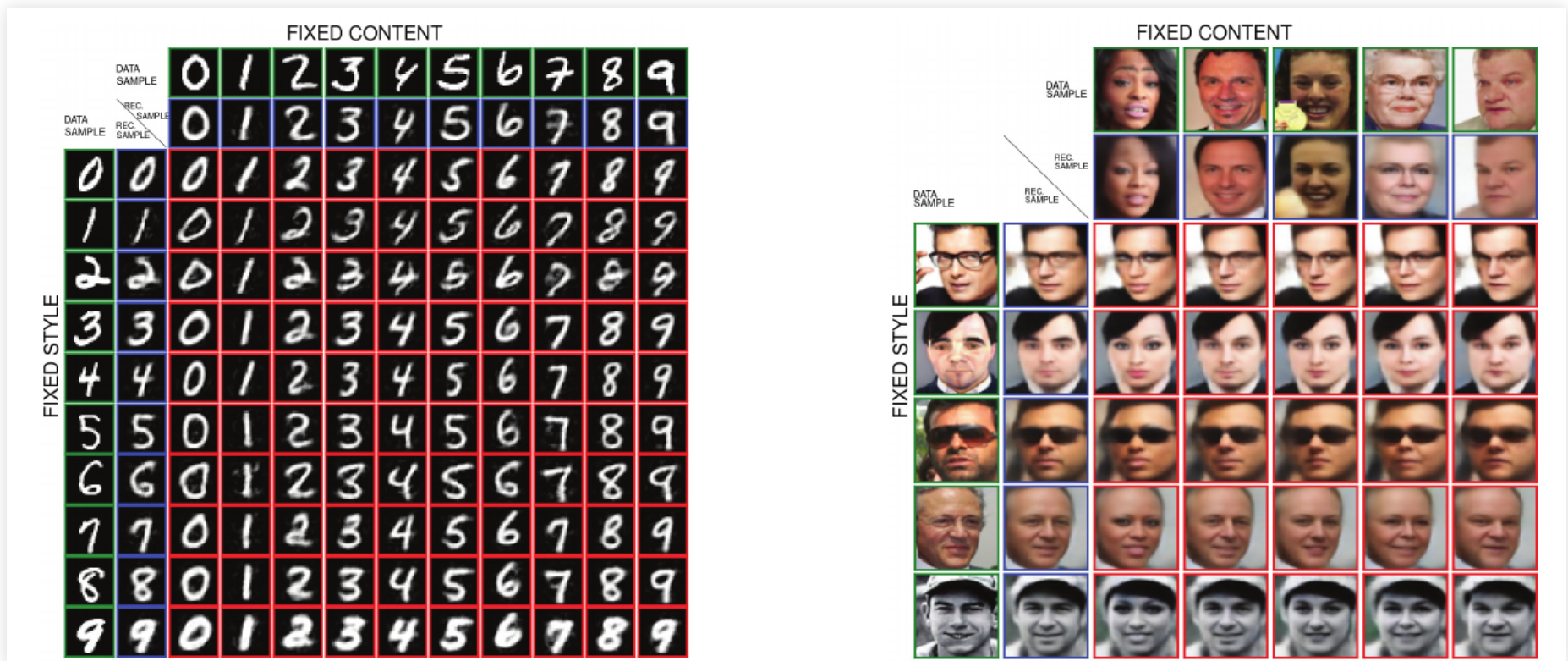
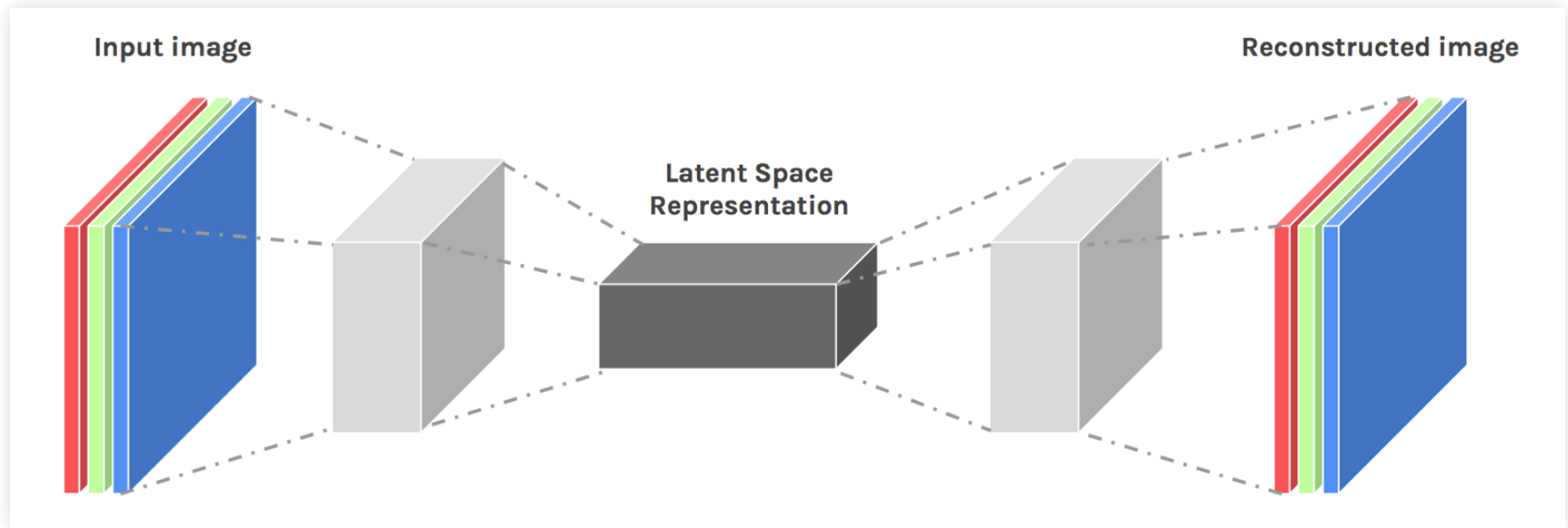


Image: Bouchacourt et. al., Multi-level variational autoencoder, 2018

Convolutional Autoencoders

Use convolutions and "deconvolutions" to reconstruct

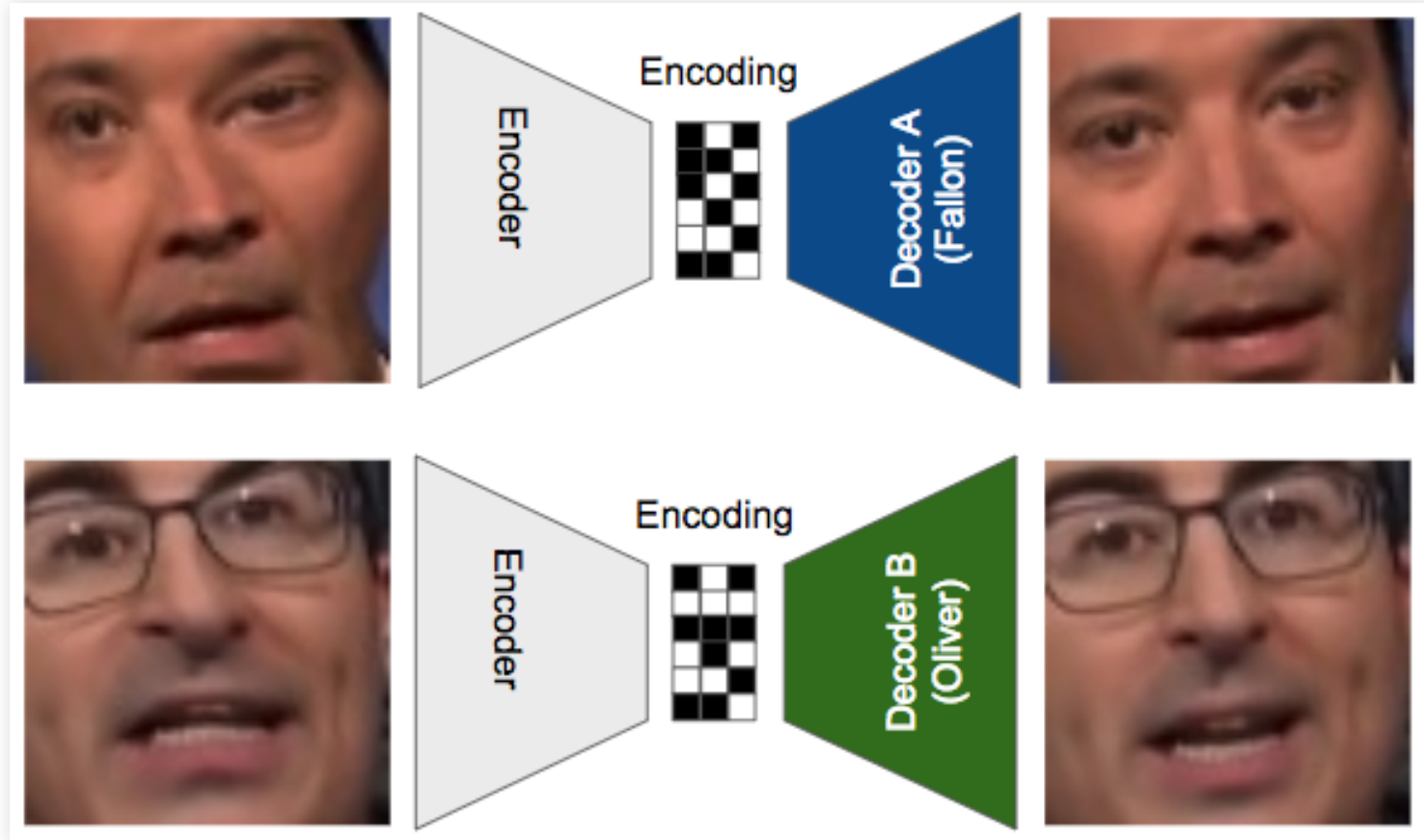
- Latent space is narrow, need to restore original dimensions



Barna Pásztor, Aligning hand-written digits with Convolutional Autoencoders

Convolutional Autoencoders

Example: deep fakes



Gaurav Oberoi, Exploring DeepFakes, <https://goberoi.com/exploring-deepfakes-20c9947c22d9>

Convolutional Autoencoders

Example: deep fakes

- Train with images from videos
- Process video:
 - Input Fallon to encoder
 - Output Oliver using Oliver decoder



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Summary

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- The importance of nonlinear transformations
- Deep learning: stacking nonlinear transformations
- Recent success: data and techniques
- Many applications:
 - Classification, reinforcement learning, clustering, ...
- Autoencoders
 - (because they are my favourite)

Further reading:

- LeCun, Bengio & Hinton, Deep learning, Nature 2015

