

Introduction to Deep Learning (I2DL)

Tutorial 3: Data

Reminder

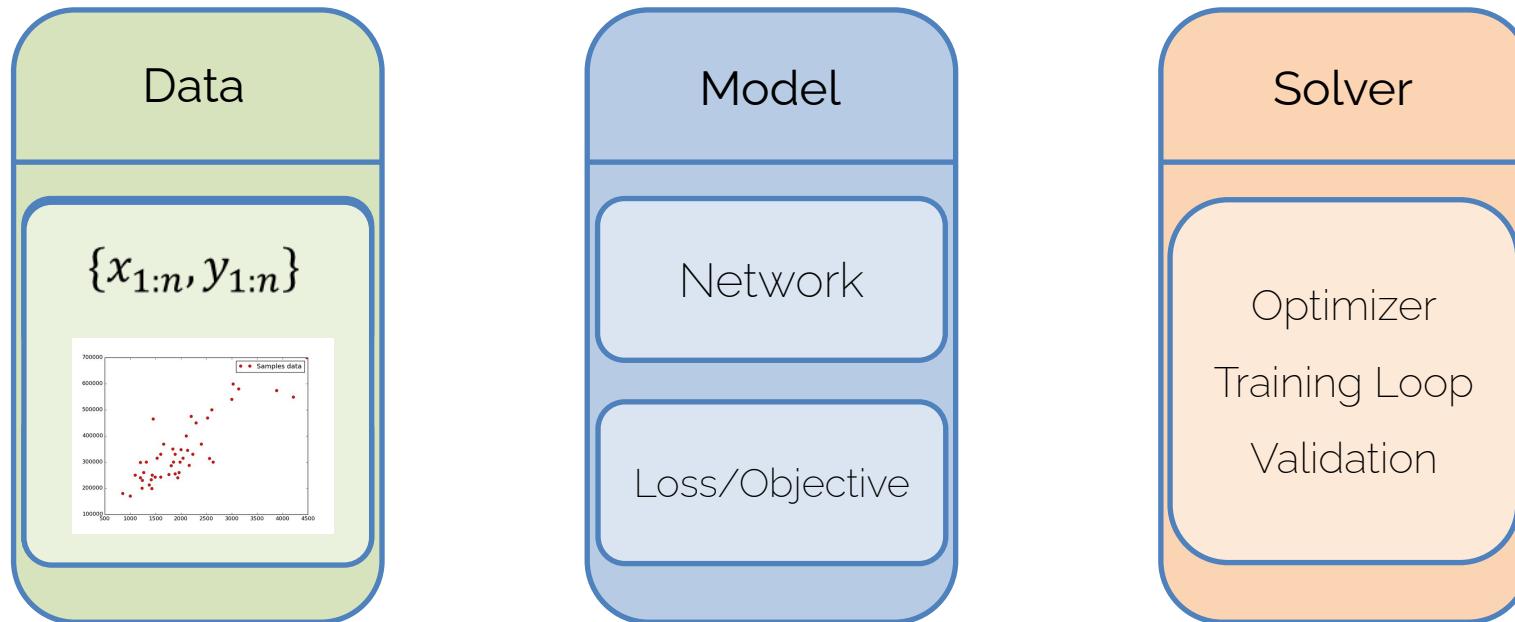
- Use Piazza for general and private questions
 - Do not email us personally!
- Office hours started last week
 - Find schedule on Piazza
- Solutions to the exercises
 - Will be published together with the following exercises

Today's Outline

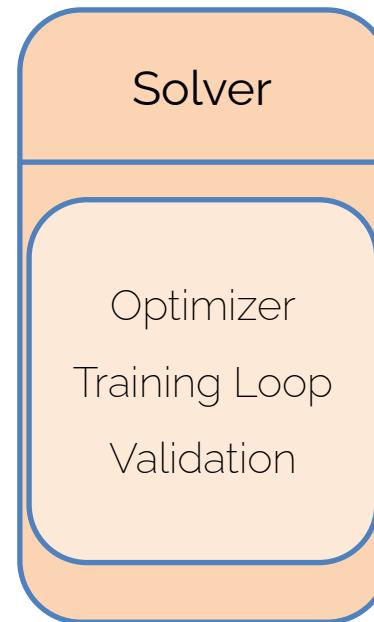
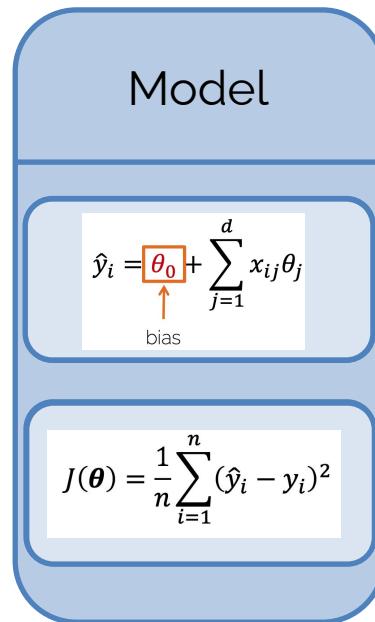
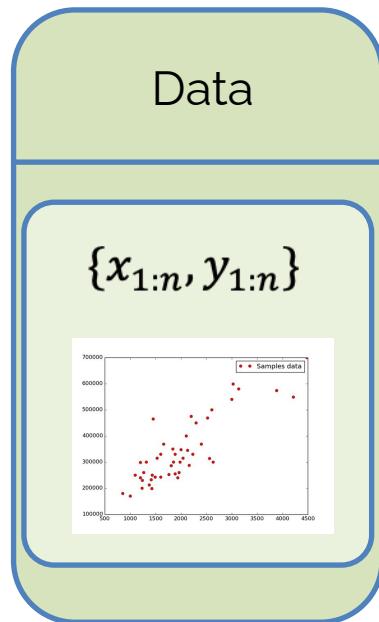
- Exercise outline
 - Pillars of Deep Learning
 - Reinvent the wheel
- Contents of
 - Example Datasets & -loader
 - Exercise 3 (Submission #2)

General Exercise Overview

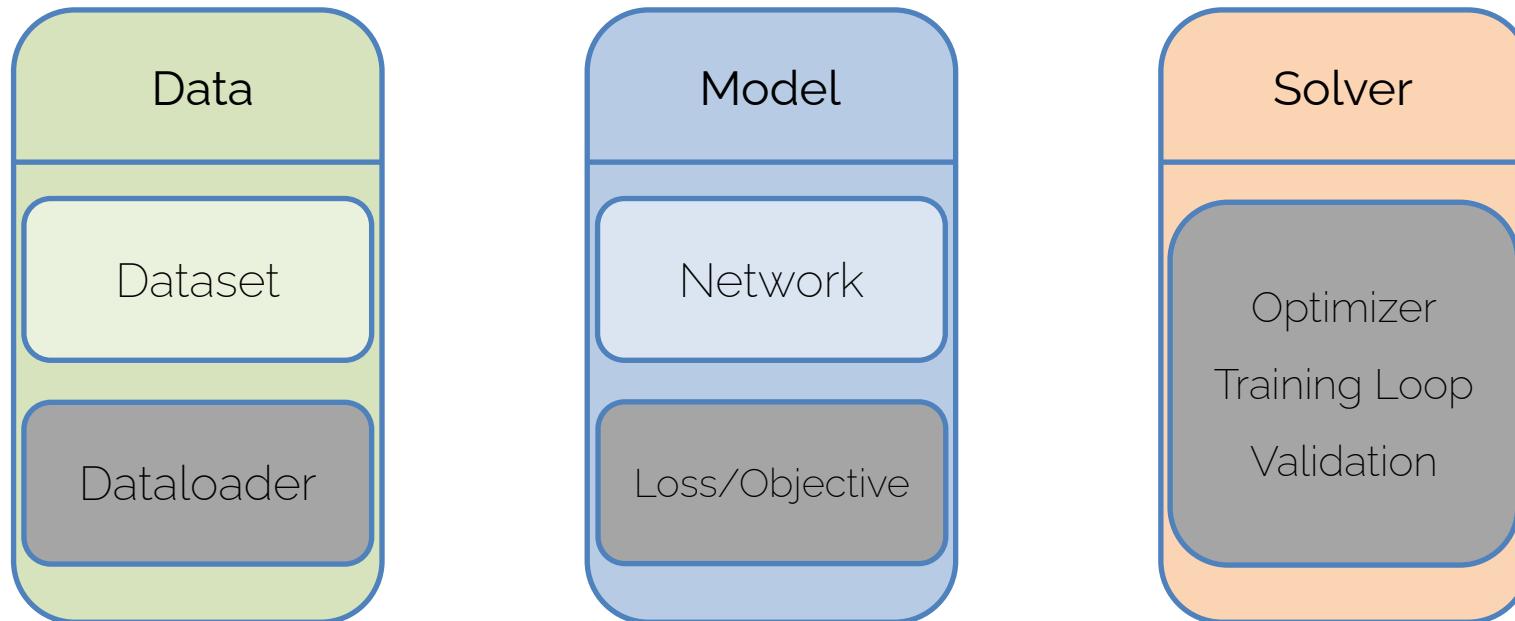
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Can be implemented once and used in multiple projects

Your task for exercise 3-5

Exercise 03: Dataset and Dataloader

Exercise 04: Solver and Linear Regression

Exercise 05: Neural Networks

Exercise 06: Hyperparameter Tuning

Numpy
(Reinvent the wheel)

- Implementation of
 - A simple dataset and data loading
 - Regression/classification pipeline using Neural Networks



Exercise 3

Exercise 3: Dataset

- Reads data and provides a simple way to access it
- Performs on-the-fly data preprocessing / augmentations
 - Preprocessing: e.g. scale image to fixed size
 - Augmentations: e.g. random image flips, crops, etc.

Example: Image Classification Dataset

- Given: Path to a folder with 10 sub-folders
 - <dataset_root>
 - |- cat
 - |- bird
 - |- car
 - |- ...
- Each folder contains X images of a specific category



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- Dataset class reads structure of that folder
 - `ImageDataset(<dataset_root>)`
→ `samples = [("cat/0001.png", 1), ..., ("plane/4986.png", 10)]`
 - Usually, it does not open the images yet!
 - Define class ID<->label mapping
- Accessing/calling the dataset class with an index gives a single element:
 - Reads image from disk
 - Performs on-the-fly preprocessing
 - Preforms augmentations

Example: Image Classification Dataset



Dataset
creation
Samples

cat/0001.png → cat
cat/0002.png → cat
cat/0003.png → cat
...
plane/4986.png → plane

Image Path → Label

Accessing an element

Single sample

dataset[1]

image: 
label: 1

Image → Class ID

Class ID<->Label mapping:

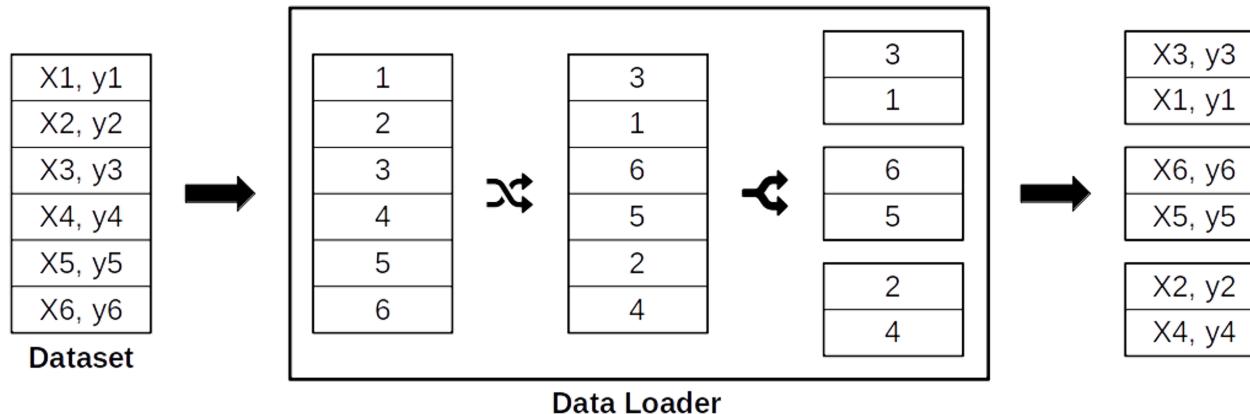
- cat → 1
- bird → 2
- ...
- plane → 10

Exercise 3: Dataset

- What we excluded
 - Low level “scripting” details using operating system calls
- Reading every file from disk one-by-one vs loading the entire dataset into memory
 - Usually, datasets are too big to load entirely into memory, but it provides exceptional performance boosts when applicable

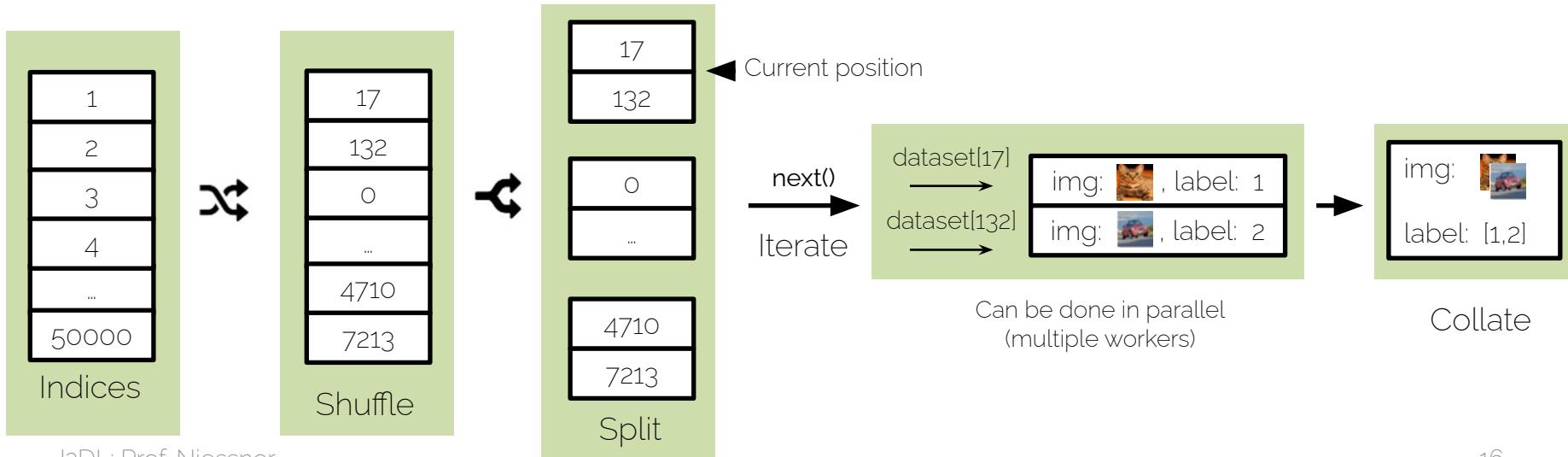
Exercise 3: Dataloader

- Defines how to load the dataset for model training
 - E.g., number of images per batch, number of workers
- Shuffles the dataset
- Splits the dataset into small subsets: (mini) batches



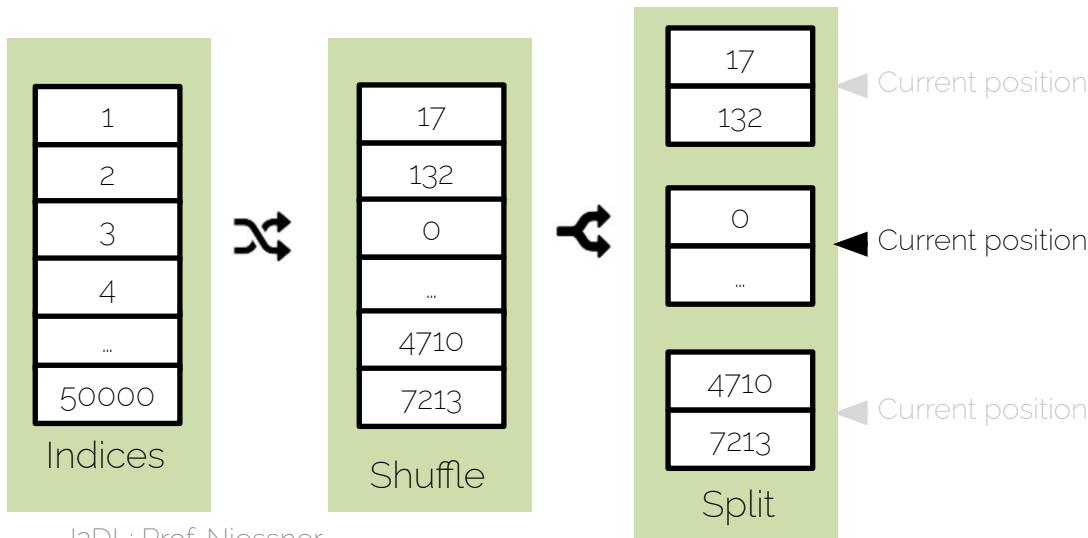
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Overview Exercise 3

- Two notebooks
 - Dataset: CIFAR10
 - Dataloader
- Submission
 1. Implement solution in both notebooks
 2. Single submission zip is created in Dataloader notebook

Fixed Deadline!
November 12, 2025 23:59

See you next week

