

## Reflection

- John Quinn's talk

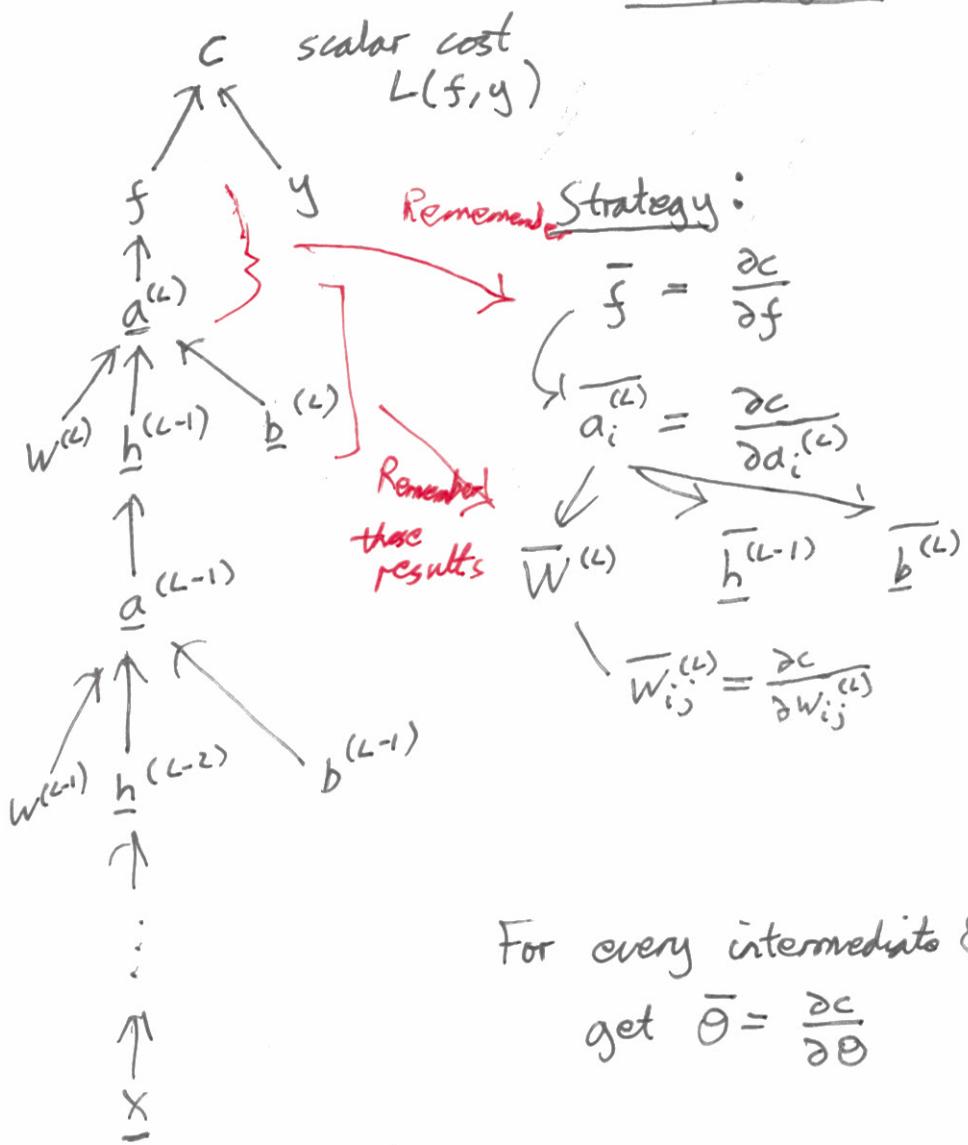
Should we jump straight  
to a ConvNet?

Why? Why not?

What general messages  
were there?

# Getting gradients - Reverse-mode differentiation

## Backpropagation



Also:

MLPR 2017 L15 (2)

MLPR 2017 L13 (4)

## Reverse-Mode Differentiation

Notation: Giles 2008

We're computing a scalar cost,  $c$

We'll intermediate terms  $Z$  some matrix

We want  $\bar{Z}$  same size as  $Z$

$$\bar{Z}_{ij} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial Z_{ij}}$$

Start at end

$$c = (\underline{f} - \underline{y})^2 \quad (\text{example})$$

$$\bar{f} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial f} = 2(\underline{f} - \underline{y})$$

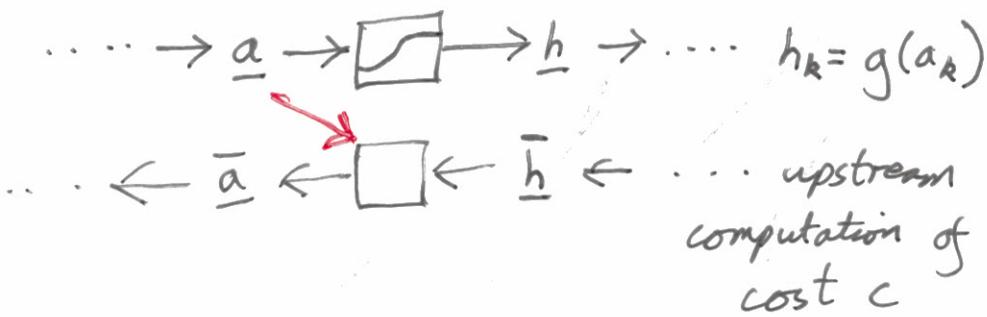
If we had  $\underline{f}$  &  $\underline{y}$   
 $N \times 1$        $N \times 1$

Backpropagate

$$\bar{f} = 2(\underline{f} - \underline{y})$$

Compute  $\bar{Z}$  for parents of  
quantities we have derivative signals for.

## Elementwise Functions



$$\begin{aligned}\bar{a}_i &= \frac{\partial c}{\partial a_i} = \frac{\partial c}{\partial h_i} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial a_i} \\ &= \bar{h}_i g'(a_i)\end{aligned}$$

$$g'(z) = \left. \frac{\partial g(a)}{\partial a} \right|_{a=z}$$

$$\bar{\underline{a}} = \bar{\underline{h}} \odot g'(\underline{a})$$

↖ Hadamard product  
• \* Matlab  
• \* Python

## Example: Matrix Multiplication

$n^2$  numbers in  
an  $n \times n$  matrix

$O(n^3)$  cost to  
multiply.

$$\begin{matrix} \rightarrow \dots & X \\ \rightarrow \dots & Y \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} [\square] \xrightarrow{\quad} Z \rightarrow \dots$$

$$Z = XY$$

$$\dots \leftarrow \bar{X} \leftarrow \bar{Z} \leftarrow \dots \quad Z_{mn} = \sum_p X_{mp} Y_{pn}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial X_{ij}} = \underbrace{\sum_{m,n} \frac{\partial C}{\partial Z_{mn}}}_{\bar{Z}_{mn}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial Z_{mn}}{\partial X_{ij}}}_{(\delta_{mi} Y_{jn})} = \sum_n \bar{Z}_{in} Y_{jn}$$

$O(n^4)$

$\bar{X} = \bar{Z} Y^T$

$$Z_{mn} = X_{m1}Y_{1n} + X_{m2}Y_{2n} + \dots$$
$$\dots \underline{X_{mj}Y_{jn}} + \dots$$