

CS2109s - Tutorial 8

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- Tutorials left:
 - Tutorial 9: 11 Apr 2024
 - Tutorial 10: 18 Apr 2024
- Feel free to approach me to chat about research/module etc
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Problem Set 5

- Q9 - Logistic regression using stochastic gradient descent
 - For iteration, update a randomly selected datapoint.
- Q11 - Stochastic gradient descent vs batch gradient descent
 - SGD faster BGD slower for every iteration
 - SGD *usually* reaches the same loss faster
 - SGD varies more due (better/worse) to the random updates (depending on point)
- Q16 - Linear SVM vs Gaussian Kernel SVM
 - Linear Separability / Model Complexity
 - Data Sparsity: More features » data points
 - Compute complexity is tricky - Time Taken for Linear is actually longer due to non-linear separability
 - Performance is also tricky - More data added, Gaussian performs worse (overfitting)

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- Don't Mix module/grading/project feedback - **feedback only for teaching**.
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Figure 1: NUS Student Feedback on Teaching - <https://blue.nus.edu.sg/blue/>

Question 1

$$f^{[1]} = W^{[1]T} X, \quad \hat{Y} = g^{[1]}(f^{[1]}), \quad \mathcal{E} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left\{ [Y_{0i} \cdot \log(\hat{Y}_{0i})] + [(1 - Y_{0i}) \log(1 - \hat{Y}_{0i})] \right\}$$

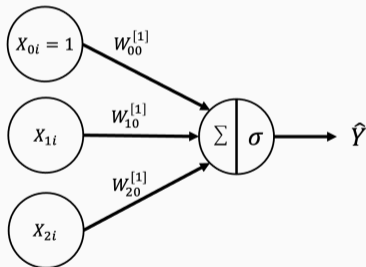


Figure 2: Simple Neural Network

Question 1a [G]

When $n = 1$:

- i. $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}} = \left[-\frac{Y_{00}}{\hat{Y}_{00}} + \frac{1-Y_{00}}{1-\hat{Y}_{00}} \right]$ (Given)
- ii. $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} = \hat{Y} - Y$
- iii. $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} \right)_{00} X_{20}$

Recap

- What is back propagation?
- How to perform forward propagation?
- How to perform back propagation?

Answer ii

Since $n = 1$, $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}}$ (chain rule)

Since $\hat{Y}_{00} = \sigma(f_{00}^{[1]}) \implies \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} = \sigma(f_{00}^{[1]}) (1 - \sigma(f_{00}^{[1]})) = \hat{Y}_{00}(1 - \hat{Y}_{00})$

From (i), $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} = \left[-\frac{Y_{00}}{\hat{Y}_{00}} + \frac{1 - Y_{00}}{1 - \hat{Y}_{00}} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} &= \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} \right] \\ &= \left[-\frac{Y_{00}}{\hat{Y}_{00}} + \frac{1 - Y_{00}}{1 - \hat{Y}_{00}} \right] \left[\hat{Y}_{00}(1 - \hat{Y}_{00}) \right] \\ &= \left[-Y_{00}(1 - \hat{Y}_{00}) + (1 - Y_{00})\hat{Y}_{00} \right] \\ &= \left[\hat{Y}_{00} - Y_{00} \right] \\ &= \hat{Y} - Y. \end{aligned}$$

Answer iii

Since $n = 1$, $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}}$ (chain rule)

$$f_{00}^{[1]} = W^{[1]T} X = \sum_{i=0}^2 (W^{[1]T})_{0i} X_{i0} = \sum_{i=0}^2 W_{i0}^{[1]} X_{i0} \implies \frac{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} = X_{20}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} \\ &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}} X_{20} \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} \right)_{00} X_{20} \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}}$, and $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}}$ are matrices since \mathcal{E} is a scalar, but \hat{Y} and $f^{[1]}$ are matrices.

However, $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}}$ is a scalar since $W_{20}^{[1]}$ is a scalar.

Question 1b-e [G]

- b. Derive an expression for $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W^{[1]}}$, how does back propagation work?
- c. Let us consider a general case where $n \in \mathbb{N}$, find $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}}$.
- d. Why do the hyper-parameters α and β ? How to set their values?

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left\{ \alpha [Y_{0i} \cdot \log(\hat{Y}_{0i})] + \beta [(1 - Y_{0i}) \cdot \log(1 - \hat{Y}_{0i})] \right\}$$

Answer 1b

From (a), $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{i0}^{[1]}} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} \right)_{00} X_{i0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W^{[1]}} &= \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{00}^{[1]}}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{10}^{[1]}}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{20}^{[1]}} \right]^T = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} \right)_{00} [X_{00}, X_{10}, X_{20}]^T = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} \right)_{00} X \\ &= (\hat{Y} - Y) X = (g^{[1]}(f^{[1]}) - Y) X = (g^{[1]}(W^{[1]T} X) - Y) X \end{aligned}$$

Intuition behind back propagation $W^{[1]} = W^{[1]} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W^{[1]}}$:

- Change in first layer weighted sum $f^{[1]}$
- Change in predicted value \hat{Y}
- Change of loss \mathcal{E}
- Decrease the loss by changing the weights

Answer 1c

$$\text{From (a), } \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{0i}^{[1]}} = \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{0i}} \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{0i}}{\partial f_{0i}^{[1]}} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}} = \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{01}}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{0n}} \right] = \left[\dots, \frac{1}{n} \left(-\frac{Y_{0i}}{\hat{Y}_{0i}} + \frac{1 - Y_{0i}}{1 - \hat{Y}_{0i}} \right), \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{0i}}{\partial f_{0i}^{[1]}} = \sigma(f_{0i}^{[1]}) (1 - \sigma(f_{0i}^{[1]})) = \hat{Y}_{0i} (1 - \hat{Y}_{0i})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f^{[1]}} &= \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{00}^{[1]}}, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{01}^{[1]}}, \dots, \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial f_{0n}^{[1]}} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left[(\hat{Y}_{00} - Y_{00}), (\hat{Y}_{01} - Y_{01}), \dots, (\hat{Y}_{0n} - Y_{0n}) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (\hat{Y} - Y) \end{aligned}$$

Answer 1d

Weighted Error:

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left\{ \alpha [Y_{0i} \cdot \log(\hat{Y}_{0i})] + \beta [(1 - Y_{0i}) \cdot \log(1 - \hat{Y}_{0i})] \right\}$$

Apply a weight to how much each class contributes to the loss function:

- Error due to Cultiva A ($p_A = 100/1100$): $Y_{0i} \cdot \log(\hat{Y}_{0i})$
- Error due to Cultiva B ($p_B = 1000/1100$): $(1 - Y_{0i}) \cdot \log(1 - \hat{Y}_{0i})$

Since we have unbalanced dataset, we can weight using the ratio $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{1/100}{1/1000}$:

- $\alpha = 1/100$
- $\beta = 1/1000$

We punish the model more heavily if it misclassifies A, so the model won't be biased towards predicting all samples as B.

Question 2 [G]

When $n = 1$, compute $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}}$, where

$$f^{[1]} = W^{[1]T} X, \quad a^{[1]} = g^{[1]}(f^{[1]}), \quad f^{[2]} = W^{[2]T} a^{[1]}, \quad \hat{Y} = g^{[2]}(f^{[2]}), \quad g^{[1]}(s) = \text{ReLU}(s), \quad g^{[2]}(s) = \sigma(s) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-s}}, \quad W^{[1]} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}, \quad W^{[2]} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}.$$

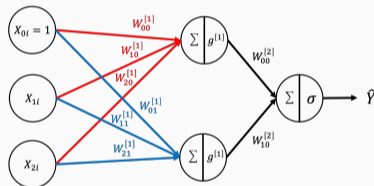


Figure 3: Complex NN

[@] Is ReLU continuous/discontinuous, not/differentiable; Can we use discontinuous activation functions?

Answer

Intuition: Plot the forward path and take the derivative.

$$W_{11}^{[1]} \xrightarrow{f^{[1]}=W^{[1]T} X} f_{10}^{[1]} \xrightarrow{a^{[1]}=g^{[1]}(f^{[1]})} a_{10}^{[1]} \xrightarrow{f^{[2]}=W^{[2]T} a^{[1]}} f_{00}^{[2]} \xrightarrow{\hat{Y}=g^{[2]}(f^{[2]})} \hat{Y}_{00} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$$

$$f^{[1]} = \begin{bmatrix} W_{00}^{[1]} & W_{01}^{[1]} \\ W_{10}^{[1]} & \mathbf{W}_{11}^{[1]} \\ W_{20}^{[1]} & W_{21}^{[1]} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} X_{00} \\ X_{10} \\ X_{20} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i W_{i0}^{[1]} X_{i0} \\ \sum_i \mathbf{W}_{i1}^{[1]} X_{i0} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f^{[2]} = \begin{bmatrix} W_{00}^{[2]} \\ W_{10}^{[2]} \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} a_{00}^{[1]} \\ \mathbf{a}_{10}^{[1]} \end{bmatrix} = \left[\sum_i W_{i0}^{[2]} a_{i0}^{[1]} \right]$$

Expand using chain rule: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}} \frac{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}}{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}}$

Find each of the terms in $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} \frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}} \frac{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}}{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}} \frac{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}}$:

- $\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}} = -\frac{\alpha Y_{00}}{\hat{Y}_{00}} + \frac{\beta(1-Y_{00})}{1-\hat{Y}_{00}}$
- $\frac{\partial \hat{Y}_{00}}{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}} = \sigma(f_{00}^{[2]}) (1 - \sigma(f_{00}^{[2]}))$
- $\frac{\partial f_{00}^{[2]}}{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}} = W_{10}^{[2]}$
- $\frac{\partial a_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } f_{10}^{[1]} \leq 0 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \mathbb{1}_{f_{10}^{[1]} > 0}$
- $\frac{\partial f_{10}^{[1]}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}} = X_{10}$

where $\mathbb{1}_{f_{10}^{[1]} > 0}$ is an indicator function. Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial W_{11}^{[1]}} = \left[-\frac{\alpha Y_{00}}{\hat{Y}_{00}} + \frac{\beta(1-Y_{00})}{1-\hat{Y}_{00}} \right] \sigma(f_{00}^{[2]}) (1 - \sigma(f_{00}^{[2]})) W_{10}^{[2]} \mathbb{1}_{f_{10}^{[1]} > 0} X_{10}$$

Question 3 [G]

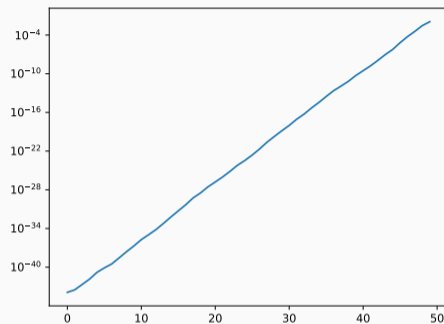


Figure 4: Layers / Max Abs Gradient, using sigmoid

- Gradient magnitudes of the first few layers are extremely small, what's the problem?
- Based on what we have learnt thus far, how can we mitigate this problem?
 - [©] Other sophisticated ways to resolve the issue, and why does it work?

Answer 3a

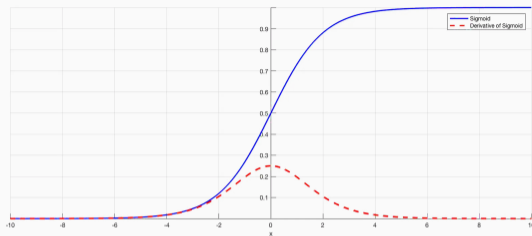


Figure 5: Sigmoid Function

- a. The earlier the weight, more terms needed to compute its update.
- we need to take product of many, many derivatives
 - derivatives of sigmoid is in $(0, 1/4]$
 - ending up with a really small number
 - causing convergence to be slow.

Answer 3b

Use ReLU.

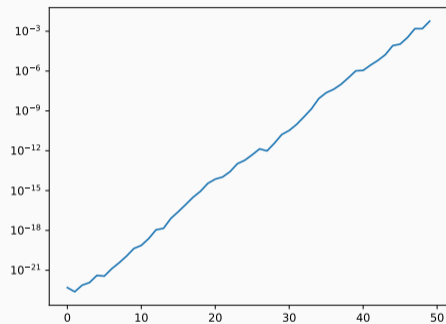


Figure 6: Layers / Max Abs Gradient, using ReLU

Investigate for exploding gradient as per question 3, use the code given for tutorial as a starting point.

Tasks

1. Implement a neural network that exhibits exploding gradient.
2. Plot the magnitudes for all layers like done in Question 3.
3. Analyse ways to mitigate the issue.

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2. Attempted tutorial should come with proof (sketches, workings etc. . .)
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Figure 7: Buddy Attendance: <https://forms.gle/jsGfFyfo9PTgWxib6>