

MNIST Digit Classification Using PyTorch

Aim :-

To implement a simple feedforward neural network using PyTorch to classify handwritten digits from the MNIST dataset

Objectives

- ① Load and preprocess the MNIST dataset using torchvision
- ② Define a simple feedforward neural network architecture with one hidden layer.
- ③ Train the model using stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD) and CrossEntropyLoss.
- ④ Evaluate the model on the test dataset to compute accuracy
- ⑤ Understand the workflow of building and training a basic neural network in PyTorch

Pseudo Code

Begin

Import torch, torch.nn, torch.optim,
torchvision.dataset, torchvision.transforms

Define NeuralNetwork class

INIT:

Layer1 = Linear (28*28 \rightarrow 28)

Layer 2 = Linear(128 \rightarrow 64)

Output layer = Linear(64 \rightarrow 10)

Activation = ReLU

Forward pass:

Flatten input image

Pass through Layer 1, apply ReLU

Pass through Layer 2, apply ReLU

Pass through Output layer

Return output (logits)

LOAD MNIST dataset with transforms:

- Converted to tensor

- Normalise pixel values

Create Data loaders for training and testing

INITIALIZE model, loss function (cross entropy)

optimizer (SGD)

For each epoch in range(num_epochs):

SET model to training mode

For each batch in training data:

Zero gradients

Forward pass \rightarrow get predictions

Update weights using optimizer

print average loss for the epoch

Set model to evaluation mode

For each batch in test data:

Forward pass

Compare predictions with labels

Count correct predictions

Compute accuracy = $(\text{correct} / \text{total}) * 100$

print accuracy

END

Observation

Accuracy: 74.73%

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Result:

The code has been
executed successfully.