

Simple Derivation rules

1. Power Derivative

$$\frac{dx^n}{dx} = n. x^{n-1}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{dx^{-n}}{dx} = -n. x^{-(n+1)}$$

2. Log Derivative

$$\frac{dlog(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

3. Exponential Derivative

$$\frac{de^{ax}}{dx} = a. e^{ax}$$

Similarly,

$$\frac{de^{-ax}}{dx} = -a. e^{-ax}$$

Lets come back the derivative for sigmoid

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

Lets write the same as a power

$$\sigma = (1 + e^{-z})^{-1}$$

Lets substitute $(1 + e^{-z})$ this with u , thus

$$\sigma = (u)^{-1}$$

And lets use power rule here and take the derivative of sigmoid equation in terms u w.r.t to z

$$\frac{du^{-1}}{dz} = -u^{-2} \cdot \frac{du}{dz}$$

Lets work seperately on calculcating $\frac{du}{dz}$

$$\frac{du}{dz} = \frac{d(1 + e^{-z})}{dz}$$

Lets do the same thing, lets take the derivative of above equation in terms z w.r.t to x first, and then multiply $\frac{dz}{dx}$

$$\frac{du}{dz} = \frac{d(1)}{dz} + \frac{d(e^{-z})}{dz}$$

First term, becomes zero.

We already know that derivative of negative exponent $\frac{de^{-ax}}{dx} = -a. e^{-ax}$

$$\frac{du}{dz} = -e^{-z}$$

Now subsituting the value of $\frac{du}{dz}$ to equation $\sigma'(z) = \frac{du^{-1}}{dz} = -u^{-2} \cdot \frac{du}{dz}$

$$\sigma'(z) = -u^{-2} \cdot -e^{-z}$$

Replacing u with $1 + e^{-z}$

$$\sigma'(z) = \frac{1.e^{-z}}{(1 + e^{-z})^2}$$

Now rewriting the equation a bit

$$\sigma'(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \cdot \frac{e^{-z}}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

And since $1-1 = 0$, we can do a little tweek in the equation

$$\sigma'(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \cdot \frac{e^{-z} + 1 - 1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

Rewriting equation a bit

$$\sigma'(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \left[\frac{e^{-z} + 1}{1 + e^{-z}} - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \right]$$

Equation becomes:

$$\sigma'(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \left[1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \right]$$

As we know $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$, Equation becomes:

$$\sigma'(z) = \sigma(z)[1 - \sigma(z)]$$

