# Homework V

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### **Question 1**

Consider a regression problem involving multiple target variables in which it is assumed that the distribution of the targets, conditioned on the input vector x, is a Gaussian of the form

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}), \mathbf{\Sigma})$$
(1)

where y(x, w) is the output of a neural network with input vector x and wight vector w, and  $\Sigma$  is the covariance of the assumed Gaussian noise on the targets.

(a) Given a set of independent observations of x and t, write down the error function that must be minimized in order to find the maximum likelihood solution for w, if we assume that  $\Sigma$  is fixed and known.

The likelihood is

$$p(\mathbf{T} \mid \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{t_n} \mid \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x_n}, \mathbf{w}), \mathbf{\Sigma})$$
 (2)

Take negative logarithm

$$E(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{\Sigma}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ \left[ \mathbf{y} \left( \mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{w} \right) - \mathbf{t}_{n} \right]^{T} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \left[ \mathbf{y} \left( \mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{w} \right) - \mathbf{t}_{n} \right] \right\} + \frac{N}{2} \ln |\mathbf{\Sigma}| + \text{const}$$
(3)

If  $\Sigma$  is fixed and known

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ \left[ \mathbf{y} \left( \mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{w} \right) - \mathbf{t}_{n} \right]^{T} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \left[ \mathbf{y} \left( \mathbf{x}_{n}, \mathbf{w} \right) - \mathbf{t}_{n} \right] \right\} + \text{ const}$$
(4)

(b) Now assume that  $\Sigma$  is also to be determined from the data, and write down an expression for the maximum likelihood solution for  $\Sigma$ . (Note: The optimizations of w and  $\Sigma$  are now coupled.)

By rewriting  $E(\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  we get

$$-\frac{N}{2}\ln|\mathbf{\Sigma}| - \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Tr}\left[\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\sum_{n=1}^{N}(\mathbf{t}_{n} - \mathbf{y}_{n})(\mathbf{t}_{n} - \mathbf{y}_{n})^{\mathrm{T}}\right].$$
 (5)

We can maximize this by setting the derivative w.r.t.  $\Sigma^{-1}$  to zero, yielding

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (\mathbf{t}_n - \mathbf{y}_n) (\mathbf{t}_n - \mathbf{y}_n)^{\mathrm{T}}.$$
 (6)

### **Question 2**

The error function for binary classification problems was derived for a network having a logistic-sigmoid output activation function, so that  $0 \le y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \le 1$ , and data having target values  $t \in \{0, 1\}$ . Derive the corresponding error function if we consider a network having an output  $-1 \le y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \le 1$  and target values t = 1 for class  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and t = -1 for class  $\mathcal{C}_2$ . What would be the appropriate choice of output unit activation function?

Hint. The error function is given by:

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n \ln y_n + (1 - t_n) \ln(1 - y_n)\}.$$

Mapping the original output range to the new output range, we could set

$$y = 2\sigma(a) - 1 \tag{7}$$

The conditional distribution of targets given inputs is

$$p(t \mid \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \left\lceil \frac{1 + y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})}{2} \right\rceil^{(1+t)/2} \left\lceil \frac{1 - y(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})}{2} \right\rceil^{(1-t)/2}$$
(8)

Where  $rac{\left[1+y(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{w})
ight]}{2}$  represents the conditional probability  $\left( C_{1}\mid x
ight)$  . The likelihood is

$$p(\mathbf{T} \mid \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} p(t_n \mid \mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}_n)$$
(9)

Take negative logarithm

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ \frac{1+t_n}{2} \ln \frac{1+y_n}{2} + \frac{1-t_n}{2} \ln \frac{1-y_n}{2} \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ (1+t_n) \ln (1+y_n) + (1-t_n) \ln (1-y_n) \right\} + N \ln 2$$
(10)

The choice of output unit activation function can be

$$\tanh(a/2) = \frac{e^{a/2} - e^{-a/2}}{e^{a/2} + e^{-a/2}} \tag{11}$$

# **Question 3**

Verify the following results for the conditional mean and variance of the mixture density network model.

(a) 
$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}] = \int \mathbf{t} p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{x}) \mathrm{d}\mathbf{t} = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k(\mathbf{x}) \mu_k(\mathbf{x}).$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}] = \int \mathbf{t} p(\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{t}$$

$$= \int \mathbf{t} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \mathcal{N} \left( \mathbf{t} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \sigma_k^2 \right) d\mathbf{t}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \int \mathbf{t} \mathcal{N} \left( \mathbf{t} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \sigma_k^2 \right) d\mathbf{t}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_k \boldsymbol{\mu}_k$$
(12)

(b) 
$$s^{2}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k}(\mathbf{x}) \{\sigma_{k}^{2}(\mathbf{x}) + \|\mu_{k}(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l}(\mathbf{x})\mu_{l}(\mathbf{x})\|^{2} \}.$$

$$s^{2}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}\left[|\mathbf{t} - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}]|^{2} \mid \mathbf{x}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\mathbf{t}^{2} - 2\mathbf{t}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}] + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}]^{2}\right) \mid \mathbf{x}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{t}^{2} \mid \mathbf{x}\right] - \mathbb{E}[2\mathbf{t}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}]\mathbf{x}] + \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}]^{2} = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{t}^{2} \mid \mathbf{x}\right] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{x}]^{2}$$

$$= \int \|\mathbf{t}\|^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}, \sigma_{k}^{2}\right) d\mathbf{t} - \left\|\sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l}\right\|^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \int \|\mathbf{t}\|^{2} \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{k}, \sigma_{k}^{2}\right) d\mathbf{t} - \left\|\sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l}\right\|^{2}$$

$$(13)$$

Because  $\mathbb{E}\left[\|\mathbf{t}\|^2\right]=\int \|\mathbf{t}\|^2 \mathscr{N}\left(\mathbf{t}\mid \boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I}\right) d\mathbf{t}=L\sigma^2+\|\boldsymbol{\mu}\|^2$ , we have

above 
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \left( L \sigma_{k}^{2} + \| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} \|^{2} \right) - \left\| \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2}$$

$$= L \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \sigma_{k}^{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} \|^{2} - \left\| \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2}$$

$$= L \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \sigma_{k}^{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} \|^{2} - 2 \times \left\| \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2} + 1 \times \left\| \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2}$$

$$= L \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \sigma_{k}^{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} \|^{2} - 2 \left( \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} \right) + \left( \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \right) \left\| \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2}$$

$$= L \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \sigma_{k}^{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \left\| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} - \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} \pi_{k} \left( L \sigma_{k}^{2} + \left\| \boldsymbol{\mu}_{k} - \sum_{l=1}^{K} \pi_{l} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{l} \right\|^{2} \right)$$

### **Question 4**

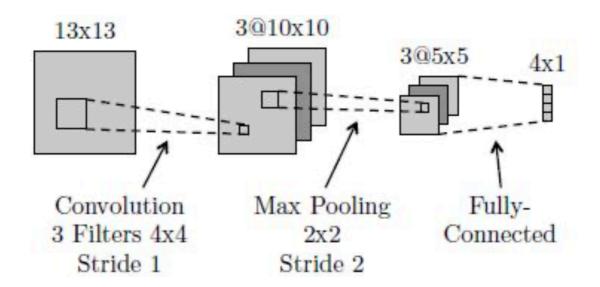
Can you represent the following boolean function with a single logistic threshold unit (i.e., a single unit from a neural network)? If yes, show the weights. If not, explain why not in 1-2 sentences.

А	В	f(A,B)
1	1	0
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	0

$$F(A,B) = \{A - B - 0.5 > 0\} \tag{15}$$

### **Question 5**

Below is a diagram of a small convolutional neural network that converts a 13x13 image into 4 output values. The network has the following layers/operations from input to output: convolution with 3 filters, max pooling, ReLU, and finally a fully-connected layer. For this network we will not be using any bias/offset parameters (b). Please answer the following questions about this network.



(a) How many weights in the convolutional layer do we need to learn?

$$3 \times 4 \times 4 = 48 \tag{16}$$

(b) How many ReLU operations are performed on the forward pass?

$$3 \times 5 \times 5 = 75 \tag{17}$$

(c) How many weights do we need to learn for the entire network?

$$48 + 75 \times 4 = 348 \tag{18}$$

(d) True or false: A fully-connected neural network with the same size layers as the above network  $(13\times13\to3\times10\times10\to3\times5\times5\to4\times1)$  can represent any classifier?

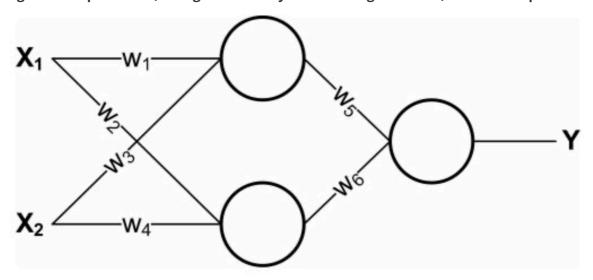
True.

- (e) What is the disadvantage of a fully-connected neural network compared to a convolutional neural network with the same size layers?
  - 1. **Parameter Efficiency**. CNNs have fewer parameters.
  - 2. **Spatial Hierarchy**. CNNs are designed to handle spatial hierarchies. FCNNs, on the other hand, treat all inputs equally.

#### **Question 6**

The neural networks shown in class used logistic units: that is, for a given unit U, if A is the vector of activations of units that send their output to U, and W is the weight vector corresponding to these outputs, then the activation of U will be  $(1+\exp(W^TA))^{-1}$ . However, activation functions could be anything. In this exercise we will explore some others. Consider the following neural network,

consisting of two input units, a single hidden layer containing two units, and one output unit:



(a) Say that the network is using linear units: that is, defining W and and A as above, the output of a unit is  $C*W^TA$  for some fixed constant C. Let the weight values  $w_i$  be fixed. Re-design the neural network to compute the same function without using any hidden units. Express the new weights in terms of the old weights and the constant C.

Connect the input X1 to the output,  $weight = C \times (w_5 \times w_1 + w_6 \times w_2)$ .

Connect the input X2 to the output,  $weight = C \times (w_5 \times w_3 + w_6 \times w_4)$ .

(b) Is it always possible to express a neural network made up of only linear units without a hidden layer? Give a one-sentence justification.

Yes. We can express all weights to one linear layer weight by linear combination.

(c) Another common activation function is a theshold, where the activation is  $t(W_TA)$  where t(x) is 1 if x>0 and 0 otherwise. Let the hidden units use sigmoid activation functions and let the output unit use a threshold activation function. Find weights which cause this network to compute the XOR of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  for binary-valued  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Keep in mind that there is no bias term for these units.

$$w_1 = 2, w_2 = 1, w_3 = 2, w_4 = 1, w_5 = 1 + e^{-4}, w_6 = -(1 + e^{-2})$$
 (19)

$X_1$	$X_2$	$a_1 = sigmod(w_1X_1 + w_3X_2)$	$a_2 = sigmod(w_2X_1 + w_4X_2)$	$b = a_1 w_5 + a_2 w_6$	y = t(b)
0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$rac{1}{2}(e^{-4}-e^{-2})$	0
0	1	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-2}}$	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-1}}$	$\frac{1+e^{-4}}{1+e^{-2}} - \frac{1+e^{-2}}{1+e^{-1}}$	1
1	0	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-2}}$	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-1}}$	$\frac{1+e^{-4}}{1+e^{-2}} - \frac{1+e^{-2}}{1+e^{-1}}$	1
1	1	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-4}}$	$\frac{1}{1+e^{-2}}$	0	0