

Artificial Intelligence

Artificial Neural Networks
Hands-on



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An MLP network for the XOR function

- In our first exercise we will train an MLP neural network to work as an XOR logic function
- For this, we will create a copy of the Artificial Neurons hands-on notebook from previous classes and then modify some important details
- Copy notebook

`02_artificial_neurons_01_AND.ipynb`

and rename it as

`03_MLP_01_XOR.ipynb`

An MLP network for the XOR function

- Replace code cell

```
# Defining the dataset
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model.add(Dense(1, input_dim=2, activation='sigmoid'))
```

for this new one

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# Defining the model
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(2, input_dim=2, activation='sigmoid'))
model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
```

Here, we are defining a NN with a hidden layer with two units and an output layer with one unit

An MLP network for the XOR function

- Now, try to adjust the hyper-parameters of the learning process in order to train the neural network so that it can model the XOR function
- After a successful training process, you can see the weights using

```
model.weights
```

```
[<tf.Variable 'dense/kernel:0' shape=(2, 2) dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[ -5.728402 ,  4.017226 ],
       [-5.7106543,  4.0139284]], dtype=float32)>,
<tf.Variable 'dense/bias:0' shape=(2,) dtype=float32, numpy=array([ 2.0943527, -6.243998 ],
dtype=float32)>,
<tf.Variable 'dense_1/kernel:0' shape=(2, 1) dtype=float32, numpy=
array([[ -7.740917 ],
       [-7.8598757]], dtype=float32)>,
<tf.Variable 'dense_1/bias:0' shape=(1,) dtype=float32, numpy=array([3.843351], dtype=float32)>]
```

The MNIST dataset

- We will now build an MLP Network and train it with the MNIST dataset
- The MNIST dataset is a dataset of handwritten digits that is commonly used for training various image processing systems
- It contains 60000 training images and 10000 testing images
- It comes preloaded in Keras, in the form of a set of four Numpy arrays

Creating the notebook

- Create a new notebook and name it `03_MLP_02_MNIST.ipynb`

Loading the dataset

```
from keras.datasets import mnist  
  
(train_images, train_labels), (test_images, test_labels) = mnist.load_data()
```

- `train_images` and `train_labels` form the *training set*, the data that the model will learn from
- The model will be tested on the *test set*, which is composed of `test_images` and `test_labels`
- Images are *greyscale images* encoded as *numpy* 2D arrays
- Pixel values represent the color intensity and vary between 0, for white, and 255, for black
- Labels are an array of digits, ranging from 0 to 9
- Images and labels have a one-to-one correspondence

Looking at the training data - images

```
>>> train_images.ndim  
3
```

```
>>> train_images.shape  
(60000, 28, 28)
```

—————→ 60000 images of 28 x 28 pixels

```
>>> print(train_images.dtype)  
uint8
```

- train_images is a 3D tensor (array) of 8-bit unsigned integers
- Each integer represents a pixel intensity (integer value between 0 and 255)

Looking at the training data - labels

```
>>> len(train_labels)
60000
```

—————→ 60000 labels

```
>>> train_labels
array([5, 0, 4, ..., 5, 6, 8], dtype=uint8)
```

- dtype=uint8 means that the labels are 8-bit unsigned integers
- However, the actual values range from 0 to 9, corresponding to the 10 digits

Looking at the test data

```
>>> test_images.ndim  
3
```

```
>>> test_images.shape  
(10000, 28, 28) → 10000 images of 28 x 28 pixels
```

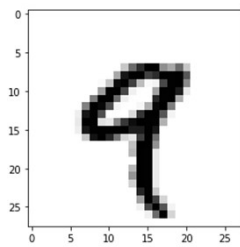
```
>>> len(test_labels)  
10000 → 10000 labels
```

```
>>> test_labels  
array([7, 2, 1, ..., 4, 5, 6], dtype=uint8)
```

Example of a training image

```
digit = train_images[4]

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.imshow(digit, cmap=plt.cm.binary)
plt.show()
```



Printing pixel intensity values

```

for row in digit:
    for elem in row:
        print("%3d" % (elem), end=" ")
    print()

```

Building the model

```
from keras import models
from keras import layers

model = models.Sequential()
model.add(layers.Dense(512, activation='relu', input_shape=(28 * 28,)))
model.add(layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax'))
```

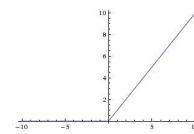
- The network consists of a **sequence** of two **Dense layers**

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- The first layer has 512 units
- It is a ReLU layer
- It has 28 x 28 inputs - the number of pixels of each image (784)



ReLU

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- The second (and last) layer is a 10-way softmax layer $\longrightarrow f(z)_i = \frac{e^{z_i}}{\sum_{i=1}^K e^{z_i}}$
- It will return an array of 10 probability scores (summing to 1)
- Each score is the probability that the current digit image belongs to one of the 10 digit classes

Compiling the model

```
model.compile(optimizer='rmsprop',  
              loss='categorical_crossentropy',  
              metrics=['accuracy'])
```

- The default learning rate for the **rmsprop** optimizer is equal to 0.001
- **categorical_crossentropy** should be used for multiclass, single-label classification problems
- **accuracy**: the fraction of the images that were correctly classified

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Alternative to define the rmsprop as the optimizer:

```
optimizer=tf.keras.optimizers.RMSprop(learning_rate=0.001)
```

Reshaping the training and test data

```
train_images = train_images.reshape((60000, 28 * 28))  
train_images = train_images.astype('float32') / 255  
test_images = test_images.reshape((10000, 28 * 28))  
test_images = test_images.astype('float32') / 255
```

- Previously, the training images were stored in an array of shape (60000, 28, 28) of type uint8 with values in the [0, 255] interval
- We now transform it into a float32 array of shape (60000, 28 * 28) with values between 0 and 1

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- **Why an array of shape (60000, 28 * 28)?** Because the network receives an array of 28 x 28 values as input per image (60000 is the number of images)
- **Why a float32 array with values between 0 and 1?**
Because the Backpropagation algorithm works better if input values are small (e.g. in the [0, 1] or [-1, 1] intervals)

Preparing the labels

```
from keras.utils import to_categorical  
  
train_labels = to_categorical(train_labels)  
test_labels = to_categorical(test_labels)
```

- We need to convert the labels to a categorical representation
- For example:
 - label 0 is transformed into [1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
 - label 1 is transformed into [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]
 - and so on

```
print(train_labels.shape)  
print(train_labels[0])  
  
(60000, 10)  
[0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 1. 0. 0. 0. 0.]
```

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The categorical representation is also called one-hot encoding.

Be careful: if you run this code cell more than once, the *train_labels* and *test_labels* variables will have an invalid shape. In that case you need to run all the code cells again.

Training the model

```
>>> model.fit(train_images, train_labels, epochs=5, batch_size=128)
Epoch 1/5
469/469 [=====] - 4s 7ms/step - loss: 0.4267 - accuracy: 0.8757
Epoch 2/5
469/469 [=====] - 3s 7ms/step - loss: 0.1127 - accuracy: 0.9669
Epoch 3/5
469/469 [=====] - 3s 7ms/step - loss: 0.0676 - accuracy: 0.9806
Epoch 4/5
469/469 [=====] - 3s 7ms/step - loss: 0.0500 - accuracy: 0.9855
Epoch 5/5
469/469 [=====] - 3s 7ms/step - loss: 0.0355 - accuracy: 0.9898
```

Assessing the model's performance

```
test_loss, test_acc = model.evaluate(test_images, test_labels)
print('test_acc:', test_acc)
```

```
313/313 [=====] - 1s 2ms/step - loss: 0.0648 - accuracy: 0.9812
test_acc: 0.9811999797821045
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- Save the model

```
model.save("models/03_MLP_02_MNIST.h5")
```

VSCode

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- Save the model

```
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

```
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```

```
model.save("/content/drive/MyDrive/Siroco/03_MLP_02_MNIST.h5")
```

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Exercises

- Try different variations of what we have done. For example, you can:
 - try different values for the learning rate
 - try different values for the batch size
 - use alternative activation functions
 - use the SGD optimizer
 - vary the number of units of the hidden layer
 - use 3 layers (or more) and vary the number of units of the hidden layers