# Neural networks with backprop library

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The *backprop* library performs backpropagation over a *hetereogeneous* system of relationships. It offers both an implicit (ad<sup>1</sup>-like) and explicit graph building usage style. Let's use it to build neural networks!

Repository source is on github<sup>2</sup>, and so are the rendered unstable docs<sup>3</sup>.

```
{-# LANGUAGE DeriveGeneric
{-# LANGUAGE GADTs
                                   \# - \}
{-# LANGUAGE LambdaCase
{-# LANGUAGE RankNTypes
{-# LANGUAGE ScopedTypeVariables #-}
{-# LANGUAGE StandaloneDeriving
{-# LANGUAGE TypeApplications
{-# LANGUAGE TypeInType
{-# LANGUAGE TypeOperators
                                 #-}
{-# LANGUAGE ViewPatterns
{-# OPTIONS_GHC -fno-warn-orphans #-}
import
               Data.Functor
import
                Data.Kind
import
               Data.Maybe
               Data.Singletons
import
import
               Data.Singletons.Prelude
              Data.Singletons.TypeLits
Data.Type.Combinator
Data.Type.Product
import
import
import
                GHC.Generics
                                                      (Generic)
import
import
                Numeric.Backprop
import
               Numeric.Backprop.Iso
import
               Numeric.LinearAlgebra.Static hiding (dot)
import
                 System.Random.MWC
import qualified Generics.SOP
                                                      as SOP
```

# Ops

First, we define values of Op for the operations we want to do. Ops are bundles of functions packaged with their hetereogeneous gradients. For simple numeric functions, *backprop* can derive Ops automatically. But for matrix operations, we have to derive them ourselves.

The types help us with matching up the dimensions, but we still need to be careful that our gradients are calculated correctly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://hackage.haskell.org/package/ad

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>https://github.com/mstksg/backprop

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>https://mstksg.github.io/backprop

L and R are matrix and vector types from the great *hmatrix* library.

First, matrix-vector multiplication:

Now, dot products:

Polymorphic functions can be easily turned into Ops with op1/op2 etc., but they can also be run directly on graph nodes.

```
logistic :: Floating a => a -> a
logistic x = 1 / (1 + exp (-x))
```

# A Simple Complete Example

At this point, we already have enough to train a simple single-hidden-layer neural network:

```
simpleOp
    :: (KnownNat m, KnownNat n, KnownNat o)
    => R m
    -> BPOp s '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ] (R o)
simpleOp inp = implicitly $ \ (w1 :< b1 :< w2 :< b2 :< Ø) ->
    let z = logistic $ liftR2 matVec w1 x + b1
    in logistic $ liftR2 matVec w2 z + b2
    where
    x = constRef inp
```

Here, simpleOp is defined in implicit (non-monadic) style, given a tuple of inputs and returning outputs. Now simpleOp can be "run" with the input vectors and parameters (a L n m, R n, L o n, and R o) and calculate the output of the neural net.

```
runSimple
:: (KnownNat m, KnownNat n, KnownNat o)
=> R m
-> Tuple '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ]
-> R o
runSimple inp = evalBPOp (simpleOp inp)
```

Alternatively, we can define simpleOp in explicit monadic style, were we specify our graph nodes explicitly. The results should be the same.

```
simpleOpExplicit
:: (KnownNat m, KnownNat n, KnownNat o)
```

```
=> R m
-> BPOp s '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ] (R o)
simpleOpExplicit inp = withInps $ \(w1 :< b1 :< w2 :< b2 :< \emptyseteq) -> do
-- First layer
y1 <- matVec ~$ (w1 :< x1 :< \emptyseteq)
let x2 = logistic (y1 + b1)
-- Second layer
y2 <- matVec ~$ (w2 :< x2 :< \emptyseteq)
return $ logistic (y2 + b2)
where
x1 = constRef inp
```

Now, for the magic of *backprop*: the library can now take advantage of the implicit (or explicit) graph and use it to do backpropagation, too!

```
simpleGrad
    :: forall m n o. (KnownNat m, KnownNat n, KnownNat o)
    => R m
    -> R o
    -> Tuple '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ]
    -> Tuple '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ]
simpleGrad inp targ params = gradBPOp opError params
where
    opError :: BPOp s '[ L n m, R n, L o n, R o ] Double
    opError = do
        res <- simpleOp inp
        -- we explicitly bind err to prevent recomputation
        err <- bindRef $ res - t
        dot ~$ (err :< err :< Ø)
    where
        t = constRef targ</pre>
```

The result is the gradient of the input tuple's components, with respect to the <code>Double</code> result of <code>opError</code> (the squared error). We can then use this gradient to do gradient descent.

### With Parameter Containers

This method doesn't quite scale, because we might want to make networks with multiple layers and parameterize networks by layers. Let's make some basic container data types to help us organize our types, including a recursive Network type that lets us chain multiple layers.

A Layer n m is a layer taking an n-vector and returning an m-vector. A Network a '[b, c, d] e

would be a Network that takes in an a-vector and outputs an e-vector, with hidden layers of sizes b, c, and d.

## **Isomorphisms**

The *backprop* library lets you apply operations on "parts" of data types (like on the weights and biases of a Layer) by using Iso's (isomorphisms), like the ones from the *lens* library. The library doesn't depend on lens, but it can use the Isos from the library and also custom-defined ones.

First, we can auto-generate isomorphisms using the *generics-sop* library:

```
instance SOP.Generic (Layer n m)
```

And then can create isomorphisms by hand for the two Network constructors:

An Iso' a (Tuple as) means that an a can really just be seen as a tuple of as.

## Running a network

Now, we can write the BPOp that reprenents running the network and getting a result. We pass in a Sing bs (a singleton list of the hidden layer sizes) so that we can "pattern match" on the list and handle the different network constructors differently.

```
:: forall s a bs c. (KnownNat a, KnownNat c)
    => Sing bs
    -> BPOp s '[ R a, Network a bs c ] (R c)
netOp sbs = go sbs
  where
    go :: forall d es. KnownNat d
        => Sing es
        -> BPOp s '[ R d, Network d es c ] (R c)
    go = \case
      SNil \rightarrow withInps \ \(x :< n :< \emptyset) \rightarrow do
         -- peek into the NØ using netExternal iso
        1 :< Ø <- netExternal #<~ n</pre>
         -- run the 'layerOp' BP, with x and l as inputs
        bpOp layerOp \sim$ (x :< l :< \emptyset)
      SNat `SCons` ses -> withInps \ \ (x :< n :< \emptyset) \ -> \ withSingI ses \ do
         -- peek into the (:&) using the netInternal iso
        l :< n' :< \emptyset <- netInternal #<~ n
        -- run the 'layerOp' BP, with x and l as inputs
        z \leftarrow bpOp layerOp ~$ (x :< l :< \emptyset)
         -- run the 'go ses' BP, with z and n as inputs
        bpOp (go ses)
                            ~$ (z :< n' :< Ø)
    layer0p
         :: forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e)
```

There's some singletons work going on here, but it's fairly standard singletons stuff. Most of the complexity here is from the static typing in our neural network type, and *not* from *backprop*.

From *backprop* specifically, the only elements are #<~ lets you "split" an input ref with the given iso, and bpOp, which converts a BPOp into an Op that you can bind with ~\$.

Note that this library doesn't support truly pattern matching on GADTs, and that we had to pass in Sing bs as a reference to the structure of our networks.

#### **Gradient Descent**

Now we can do simple gradient descent. Defining an error function:

```
errOp
   :: KnownNat m
   => R m
   -> BRef s rs (R m)
   -> BPOp s rs Double
errOp targ r = do
   err <- bindRef $ r - t
   dot ~$ (err :< err :< Ø)
   where
   t = constRef targ</pre>
```

And now, we can use backprop to generate the gradient, and shift the Network! Things are made a bit cleaner from the fact that Network a bs c has a Numinstance, so we can use (-) and (\*) etc.

```
train
   :: (KnownNat a, SingI bs, KnownNat c)
   => Double
   -> R a
   -> R c
   -> Network a bs c
   -> Network a bs c
train r x t n = case backprop (errOp t =<< netOp sing) (x ::< n ::< Ø) of
   (_, _ :< I g :< Ø) -> n - (realToFrac r * g)
```

(::<) is cons and  $\emptyset$  is nil for tuples.)

#### Main

main, which will train on sample data sets, is still in progress! Right now it just generates a random network using the *mwc-random* library and prints each internal layer.

```
main :: IO ()
main = withSystemRandom $ \g -> do
```

```
n <- uniform @(Network 4 '[3,2] 1) g void \$ traverseNetwork sing (1 -> 1 < print 1) n
```

## **Appendix: Boilerplate**

And now for some typeclass instances and boilerplates unrelated to the *backprop* library that makes our custom types easier to use.

```
instance KnownNat n => Variate (R n) where
    uniform g = randomVector <$> uniform g <*> pure Uniform
    uniformR (1, h) g = (\x -> x * (h - 1) + 1) < > uniform g
instance (KnownNat m, KnownNat n) => Variate (L m n) where
    uniform g = uniformSample <$> uniform g <*> pure 0 <*> pure 1
    uniformR (l, h) g = (\x -> x * (h - l) + l) < > uniform g
instance (KnownNat n, KnownNat m) => Variate (Layer n m) where
    uniform g = \text{subtract } 1 \cdot (*2) < > (\text{Layer } < > \text{uniform } g < * > \text{uniform } g)
    uniformR (l, h) g = (\langle x - \rangle x * (h - 1) + 1) < $ uniform g
instance (KnownNat m, KnownNat n) => Num (Layer n m) where
    Layer w1 b1 + Layer w2 b2 = Layer (w1 + w2) (b1 + b2)
    Layer w1 b1 - Layer w2 b2 = Layer (w1 - w2) (b1 - b2)
    Layer w1 b1 * Layer w2 b2 = Layer (w1 * w2) (b1 * b2)
          (Layer w b) = Layer (abs w) (abs b)
    signum (Layer w b) = Layer (signum w) (signum b)
    negate (Layer w b) = Layer (negate w) (negate b)
    fromInteger x = Layer (fromInteger x) (fromInteger x)
instance (KnownNat m, KnownNat n) => Fractional (Layer n m) where
    Layer w1 b1 / Layer w2 b2 = Layer (w1 / w2) (b1 / b2)
    recip (Layer w b) = Layer (recip w) (recip b)
    from Rational x = Layer (from Rational x) (from Rational x)
instance (KnownNat a, SingI bs, KnownNat c) => Variate (Network a bs c) where
    uniform g = genNet sing (uniform g)
    uniformR (1, h) q = (x -> x * (h - 1) + 1) < $ uniform q
genNet
    :: forall f a bs c. (Applicative f, KnownNat a, KnownNat c)
    => Sing bs
    -> (forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e) => f (Layer d e))
    -> f (Network a bs c)
genNet sbs f = go sbs
    go :: forall d es. KnownNat d => Sing es -> f (Network d es c)
    qo = \case
      SNil
                       -> NØ <$> f
      SNat `SCons` ses \rightarrow (:&) <$> f <*> go ses
mapNetwork0
:: forall a bs c. (KnownNat a, KnownNat c)
```

```
=> Sing bs
    -> (forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e) => Layer d e)
    -> Network a bs c
mapNetwork0 sbs f = getI $ genNet sbs (I f)
traverseNetwork
    :: forall a bs c f. (KnownNat a, KnownNat c, Applicative f)
    -> (forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e) => Layer d e -> f (Layer d e))
    -> Network a bs c
    -> f (Network a bs c)
traverseNetwork sbs f = go sbs
    go :: forall d es. KnownNat d => Sing es -> Network d es c -> f (Network d es c)
    qo = \case
      SNil -> \case
        N\emptyset \times -> N\emptyset < >> f \times
      SNat `SCons` ses -> \case
        x : \& xs -> (:\&) < $> f x < *> go ses xs
mapNetwork1
    :: forall a bs c. (KnownNat a, KnownNat c)
    -> (forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e) => Layer d e -> Layer d e)
    -> Network a bs c
    -> Network a bs c
mapNetwork1 sbs f = qetI . traverseNetwork sbs (I . f)
mapNetwork2
    :: forall a bs c. (KnownNat a, KnownNat c)
    => Sing bs
    -> (forall d e. (KnownNat d, KnownNat e) => Layer d e -> Layer d e -> Layer d e)
    -> Network a bs c
    -> Network a bs c
    -> Network a bs c
mapNetwork2 sbs f = go sbs
  where
    go :: forall d es. KnownNat d => Sing es -> Network d es c -> Network d es c -> Network
    go = \case
      SNil -> \case
       NØ x -> \case
          N\emptyset y \rightarrow N\emptyset (f x y)
      SNat `SCons` ses -> \case
        x :& xs -> \case
          y :& ys -> f x y :& go ses xs ys
instance (KnownNat a, SingI bs, KnownNat c) => Num (Network a bs c) where
    (+)
                  = mapNetwork2 sing (+)
    (-)
                 = mapNetwork2 sing (-)
    ( * )
                 = mapNetwork2 sing (*)
                 = mapNetwork1 sing negate
    negate
    abs
                  = mapNetwork1 sing abs
    signum
                  = mapNetwork1 sing signum
```