Assignment 2

1 Tensorflow Softmax

- (a) See file q1_softmax.py
- (b) See file q1_softmax.py
- (c) The purpose of placeholder is to hold our input data, and the purpose of feed dictionaries is to feed input values to placeholders. See implementation in file q1_classifier.py
 - (d) See file q1_classifier.py
- (e) See file q1_classifier.py. After the model's $train_op$ is called, the prediction y_hat is computed in the forward propagation and the gradient of loss with respect to W and b is computed during the back propagation. The variable W and b will be changed.

2 Neural Transition-Based Dependency Parsing

(a) The parsing procedure is as follows:

stack	buffer	new dependency	transition
[ROOT]	[I, parsed, this, sentence, correctly]		Initial Configuration
[ROOT, I]	[parsed, this, sentence, correctly]		SHIFT
[ROOT, I, parsed]	[this, sentence, correctly]		SHIFT
[ROOT, parsed]	[this, sentence, correctly]	$parsed \rightarrow I$	LEFT-ARC
[ROOT, parsed, this]	[sentence, correctly]		SHIFT
[ROOT, parsed, this, sentence]	[correctly]		SHIFT
[ROOT, parsed, sentence]	[correctly]	sentence→this	LEFT-ARC
[ROOT, parsed]	[correctly]	parsed→sentence	RIGHT-ARC
[ROOT, parsed, correctly]			SHIFT
[ROOT, parsed]		$parsed \rightarrow correctly$	RIGHT-ARC
[ROOT]		ROOT→parsed	RIGHT-ARC

Table. 1: Parsing Procedure

- (b) A sentence containing n words will be parsed in $2 \times n$ steps. This is true because every word will be shifted into the stack once, and will be removed from the stack once, therefore, the total number of steps is $2 \times n$.
 - (c) See file q2_parser_transitions.py
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 - (e) See file q2 initialization.py
 - (f) The constant γ can be expressed as:

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{1 - p_{drop}}$$

This is true because the expected value of h_{drop} is $(1 - p_{drop})h$.

(g)

- (i) By using m, the amount of steps we take at each update will now become the running average of gradients of all times. And the current gradient calculated only contribute a little to the m, therefore it is more stable and can stop the updates from varying too much.
- (ii) The parameters that have smaller gradient will get larger updates. This helps the learning because it will smooth the updates we make and try to update all parameters equally.
 - (h) See file q2_parser_model.py