CSC 411: Assignment #2

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The data set contains hand-written digits from 0 to 9 (Fig 1). Among these data, most data are labeled accurately. However, some data are hard to be distinguished and even human can't really predict the digit. (Fig 2)

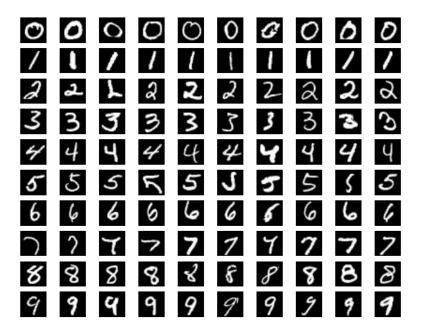


Figure 1: Full data



(a) 5 but looks like a 3



(b) 6 but looks like a 4

Figure 2: Inaccurate Labels



(c) 9 but looks like an 8

The output should be:

$$o^{(i)} = \sum_{j} w_{j} x_{j}^{(i)} + b^{(i)}$$

The listing of the implementation is as follows:

Listing 1: code for linear net output

def linear_forward(x, W):
 lin_output = np.dot(W.T, x)
 return softmax(lin_output)

1. Let the loss function C be defined as:

$$C = -\sum_{i} y^{(i)} log(p_i)$$

where p_i is:

$$p_i = \frac{e^{o_i}}{\sum_j e^{o_j}}$$

and o_i is:

$$o_i = \sum_j x_j^{(i)} w_{ij} + b_i$$

The gradient for the loss function with respect to the weight w_{ij} $\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{ij}}$ is:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{ij}} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial o_i} \frac{\partial o_i}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

Note:

$$\frac{\partial p_k}{\partial o_i} = \begin{cases} -p_k p_i & \text{if } k \neq i \\ p_i (1 - p_i) & \text{if } k = i \end{cases}$$

Then:

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial C}{\partial o_i} &= -\frac{\partial C}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial o_i} + \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{\partial C}{\partial p_k} \frac{\partial p_k}{\partial o_i} \\ &= -\frac{y^{(i)}}{p_i} p_i (1 - p_i) + \sum_{k \neq i} \frac{y^{(k)}}{p_k} p_k p_i \\ &= p_i y^{(i)} - y^{(i)} + \sum_{k \neq i} y^{(k)} p_i \\ &= \sum_k y^{(k)} p_i - y^{(i)} \\ &= p_i - y^{(i)} \end{split}$$

Also,

$$\frac{\partial o_i}{\partial w_{ij}} = x_j^{(i)}$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{ij}} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial o_i} \frac{\partial o_i}{\partial w_{ij}}$$
$$= x_j^{(i)} (p_i - y^{(i)})$$

2. The vectorized implementation is as follows:

The learning curve is plotted in Fig3, and the weights going to the output is in Fig4. The learning curve is as expected: the loss for the training set decreases gradually and the loss for the test set first decreases then increases. The weights' visualization gives each handwritten digits form 0 to 9.

The weights are initialized to 0.5. This is because if the weights are initialized to 0, the network will not change at all. The learning rate is set to 0.00005. This is the best value for the network to change and does not overstep the minima

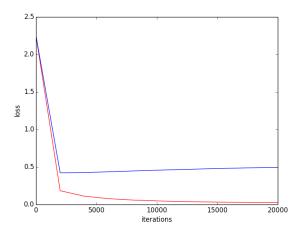


Figure 3: learning curve



Figure 4: weights