

Exercises 2.5

Exercise 2.5.1

- Show that the logistic function σ satisfies the inequality $0 < \sigma'(x) \leq \frac{1}{4}$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- How does the inequality change in the case of the functions σ_c ?

Exercise 2.5.2

Let $S(x)$ and $H(x)$ denote the bipolar step function and the Heaviside function, respectively. Show that:

- $S(x) = 2H(x) - 1$
- $\text{ReLU}(x) = \frac{1}{2}x(S(x) + 1)$

Exercise 2.5.3

Show that the softplus function, $\text{sp}(x)$, satisfies the following properties:

- $\text{sp}'(x) = \sigma(x)$, where $\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$
- Show that $\text{sp}(x)$ is invertible with inverse $\text{sp}^{-1}(x) = \ln(e^x - 1)$
- Use the softplus function to show the formula $\sigma(x) = 1 - \sigma(-x)$

Exercise 2.5.4

Show that $\tanh(x) = 2\sigma(2x) - 1$

Exercise 2.5.5

Show that the softsign function, $\text{so}(x)$, satisfies the following properties:

- It is strictly increasing;
- It is onto $(-1, 1)$, with the inverse $\text{so}^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{1-|x|}$, for $|x| < 1$.
- $\text{so}(|x|)$ is subadditive, i.e., $\text{so}(|x + y|) \leq \text{so}(|x|) + \text{so}(|y|)$.

Exercise 2.5.6

Show that the softmax function is invariant with respect to the addition of constant vectors $\mathbf{c} = (c_1 \dots c_n)^T$, i.e.,

$$\text{softmax}(y + \mathbf{c}) = \text{softmax}(y).$$

This property is used in practice by replacing $\mathbf{c} = -\max_i y_i$, a fact that leads to a more stable numerically variant of this function.

Exercise 2.5.7

Let $\rho : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ defined by $\rho(y) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, with $\rho(y)_i = \frac{y_i}{A}$

Exercise 2.5.8 (cosine squasher)

Show that the function