EX 2 MULTI-LAYER PERCEPTRON (MLP) FOR CLASSIFICATION

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Problem Statement:

Develop a Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP) for a simple classification task. Experiment with different numbers of hidden layers and activation functions, and evaluate the model's performance using accuracy and loss.

Suggested Dataset: Iris Dataset

Objectives:

1. Understand the structure and purpose of MLPs for classification.
2. Experiment with various hidden layer configurations and activation functions.
3. Train the MLP using the Iris dataset and evaluate its accuracy and loss.
4. Visualize training progress and use the trained model for prediction.

Scope:

This experiment provides insights into how neural networks with multiple layers (MLPs) perform on structured classification tasks. It demonstrates model tuning using different architectures and activation functions, an essential concept in designing effective deep learning models.

Tools and Libraries Used:

1. Python 3.x
2. TensorFlow / Keras
3. scikit-learn (for data preprocessing and dataset loading)
4. Matplotlib (for visualization)

Implementation Steps:

Step 1: Import Necessary Libraries

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler, OneHotEncoder
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense
```

Step 2: Load and Preprocess Data

```
iris = load_iris()
X = iris.data
y = iris.target.reshape(-1, 1)
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classes = iris.target_names

encoder = OneHotEncoder(sparse_output=False)
y_encoded = encoder.fit_transform(y)

scaler = StandardScaler()
X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_scaled, y_encoded, test_size=0.2,
random_state=42)
```

Step 3: Define MLP Model Creation Function

```
def create_mlp(input_dim, output_dim, hidden_layers, activation='relu'):
  model = Sequential()
  model.add(Dense(hidden_layers[0], input_dim=input_dim, activation=activation))
  for units in hidden_layers[1:]:
    model.add(Dense(units, activation=activation))
  model.add(Dense(output_dim, activation='softmax'))
  model.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='categorical_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy'])
  return model
```

Step 4: Train and Evaluate MLP with Various Configurations

```
hidden_layer_configs = [[8], [16, 8], [32, 16, 8]]
activations = ['relu', 'tanh', 'sigmoid']

for hidden_layers in hidden_layer_configs:
  for activation in activations:
    print(f"\nTesting MLP with hidden_layers={hidden_layers}, activation={activation}")
    model = create_mlp(input_dim=4, output_dim=3, hidden_layers=hidden_layers,
activation=activation)
    history = model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=50, batch_size=5, verbose=0,
validation_split=0.1)
    test_loss, test_acc = model.evaluate(X_test, y_test, verbose=0)
    print(f"Test Accuracy: {test_acc:.4f}, Test Loss: {test_loss:.4f}")
```

Step 5: Plot Accuracy and Loss Curves

```
    # Plot accuracy and loss
    plt.figure(figsize=(10, 4))
    plt.suptitle(f"Config: {hidden_layers}, Activation: {activation}", fontsize=14)

    plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
    plt.plot(history.history['accuracy'], label='Train Acc')
    plt.plot(history.history['val_accuracy'], label='Val Acc')
    plt.xlabel('Epoch')
    plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
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plt.title('Model Accuracy')
plt.legend()

plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
plt.plot(history.history['loss'], label='Train Loss')
plt.plot(history.history['val_loss'], label='Val Loss')
plt.xlabel('Epoch')
plt.ylabel('Loss')
plt.title('Model Loss')
plt.legend()

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

Step 6: Predict on New Input

```
sepal_length = float(input("Sepal length (cm): "))
sepal_width = float(input("Sepal width (cm): "))
petal_length = float(input("Petal length (cm): "))
petal_width = float(input("Petal width (cm): "))

user_input = np.array([[sepal_length, sepal_width, petal_length, petal_width]])
user_input_scaled = scaler.transform(user_input)

# Predict using the last trained model
prediction = model.predict(user_input_scaled)
predicted_class_index = np.argmax(prediction)
predicted_class_name = classes[predicted_class_index]

print(f"\n★ Predicted Iris Species: {predicted_class_name}")
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Output: