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In [1]: # This is to install necessary components to run the assignment
# Note: For compatability purposes, libraries have been updated to match to current versions;
# hence some of the package invocations may differ slightly from the book
!pip install -r requirements.txt
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ERROR: Could not find a version that satisfies the requirement numpy==1.26 (from versions: 1.3.0, 1.4.1, 1.5.0, 1.5.1, 1.6.0, 1.6.1, 1.6.2, 1.7.0, 1.7.1, 1.7.2, 1.8.0, 1.8.1, 1.8.2, 1.9.0, 1.9.1, 1.9.2, 1.9.3, 1.10.0.post2, 1.10.1, 1.10.2, 1.10.4, 1.11.0, 1.11.1, 1.11.2, 1.11.3, 1.12.0, 1.12.1, 1.13.0, 1.13.1, 1.13.3, 1.14.0, 1.14.1, 1.14.2, 1.14.3, 1.14.4, 1.14.5, 1.14.6, 1.15.0, 1.15.1, 1.15.2, 1.15.3, 1.15.4, 1.16.0, 1.16.1, 1.16.2, 1.16.3, 1.16.4, 1.16.5, 1.16.6, 1.17.0, 1.17.1, 1.17.2, 1.17.3, 1.17.4, 1.17.5, 1.18.0, 1.18.1, 1.18.2, 1.18.3, 1.18.4, 1.18.5, 1.19.0, 1.19.1, 1.19.2, 1.19.3, 1.19.4, 1.19.5)
ERROR: No matching distribution found for numpy==1.26
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In [14]: from __future__ import print_function
import os
import warnings
# Suppress TensorFlow WARNING logs
os.environ['TF_CPP_MIN_LOG_LEVEL'] = '2'
# Suppress Python Future Warnings
warnings.simplefilter(action='ignore', category=FutureWarning)
import numpy as np
from tensorflow.keras.datasets import mnist
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Dense
from tensorflow.keras.optimizers import SGD
from tensorflow.keras.utils import to_categorical
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In [15]: np.random.seed(1671) #for reproducibility
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In [16]: # Network and Training Variables
NB_EPOCH = 20
BATCH_SIZE = 128
VERBOSE = 1
NB_CLASSES = 10 # number of outputs = number of digits
OPTIMIZER = SGD() # optimizer, explained later in this chapter
N_HIDDEN = 128
VALIDATION_SPLIT = 0.2 # how much TRAIN is reserved for VALIDATION
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In [17]: # data: shuffled and split between train and test sets
(X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
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In [18]: #X_train is 60000 rows of 28x28 values --> reshaped in 60000 x 784

RESHAPED = 784

X_train = X_train.reshape(60000, RESHAPED)
X_test = X_test.reshape(10000, RESHAPED)
X_train = X_train.astype('float32')
X_test = X_test.astype('float32')
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In [19]: # normalize
X_train /= 255
X_test /= 255

print(X_train.shape[0], 'train samples')
print(X_test.shape[0], 'test samples')

60000 train samples
10000 test samples
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In [20]: # convert class vectors to binary class matrices  
# Y_train = np_utils.to_categorical() replaced  
Y_train = to_categorical(y_train, NB_CLASSES) # Updated to fit current version  
Y_test = to_categorical(y_test, NB_CLASSES)
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In [21]: # M_HIDDEN hidden layers
# 10 outputs
# final stage is softmax

model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, input_shape=(RESHAPED,), activation='relu')) # First hidden layer
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, activation='relu')) # Second hidden layer
model.add(Dense(NB_CLASSES, activation='softmax')) # Output layer
model.summary()
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer=OPTIMIZER, metrics=['accuracy'])

history = model.fit(X_train, Y_train, batch_size=BATCH_SIZE, epochs=NB_EPOCH, verbose=VERBOSE,

score = model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, verbose=VERBOSE)

print("Test Score:", score[0])
print("Test Accuracy:", score[1])
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Model: "sequential_4"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense_12 (Dense)	(None, 128)	100480
dense_13 (Dense)	(None, 128)	16512
dense_14 (Dense)	(None, 10)	1290

Total params: 118,282

Trainable params: 118,282

Non-trainable params: 0

Train on 48000 samples, validate on 12000 samples

Epoch 1/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 13us/sample - loss: 1.5197 - acc: 0.6090 - val_loss: 0.7636 - val_acc: 0.8401

Epoch 2/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.6028 - acc: 0.8529 - val_loss: 0.4598 - val_acc: 0.8825

Epoch 3/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.4411 - acc: 0.8811 - val_loss: 0.3763 - val_acc: 0.8978

Epoch 4/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.3807 - acc: 0.8941 - val_loss: 0.3392 - val_acc: 0.9055

Epoch 5/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.3466 - acc: 0.9027 - val_loss: 0.3134 - val_acc: 0.9103

Epoch 6/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.3231 - acc: 0.9090 - val_loss: 0.2973 - val_acc: 0.9143

Epoch 7/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.3049 - acc: 0.9132 - val_loss: 0.2817 - val_acc: 0.9185

Epoch 8/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2898 - acc: 0.9176 - val_loss: 0.2704 - val_acc: 0.9218

Epoch 9/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2768 - acc: 0.9216 - val_loss: 0.2589 - val_acc: 0.9255

Epoch 10/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 13us/sample - loss: 0.2652 - acc: 0.9247 - val_loss: 0.2499 - val_acc: 0.9282

Epoch 11/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2551 - acc: 0.9272 - val_loss: 0.2411 - val_acc: 0.9302

Epoch 12/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2455 - acc: 0.9304 - val_loss: 0.2335 - val_acc: 0.9318

Epoch 13/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2370 - acc: 0.9325 - val_loss: 0.2277 - val_acc: 0.9356

Epoch 14/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2287 - acc: 0.9355 - val_loss: 0.2202 - val_acc: 0.9366

Epoch 15/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2212 - acc: 0.9375 - val_loss: 0.2133 - val_acc: 0.9392

Epoch 16/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2140 - acc: 0.9390 - val_loss: 0.2080 - val_acc: 0.9404

Epoch 17/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2073 - acc: 0.9412 - val_loss: 0.2027 - val_acc: 0.9438

Epoch 18/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.2011 - acc: 0.9427 - val_loss: 0.1977 - val_acc: 0.9450

Epoch 19/20

48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 13us/sample - loss: 0.1953 - acc: 0.9448 -

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val_loss: 0.1922 - val_acc: 0.9457
Epoch 20/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 1s 12us/sample - loss: 0.1897 - acc: 0.9460 -
val_loss: 0.1884 - val_acc: 0.9470
10000/10000 [=====] - 0s 15us/sample - loss: 0.1860 - acc: 0.9477
Test Score: 0.1859521464794874
Test Accuracy: 0.9477
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In [22]: #test 1 N Hidden parameter decreased to 8

np.random.seed(1671) #for reproducibility

# Network and Training Variables
NB_EPOCH = 20
BATCH_SIZE = 128
VERBOSE = 1
NB_CLASSES = 10 # number of outputs = number of digits
OPTIMIZER = SGD() # optimizer, explained later in this chapter
N_HIDDEN = 8 # updated to 8
VALIDATION_SPLIT = 0.2 # how much TRAIN is reserved for VALIDATION
# data: shuffled and split between train and test sets
(X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()

#X_train is 60000 rows of 28x28 values --> reshaped in 60000 x 784

RESHAPED = 784

X_train = X_train.reshape(60000, RESHAPED)
X_test = X_test.reshape(10000, RESHAPED)
X_train = X_train.astype('float32')
X_test = X_test.astype('float32')
# normalize
X_train /= 255
X_test /= 255

print(X_train.shape[0], 'train samples')
print(X_test.shape[0], 'test samples')

# convert class vectors to binary class matrices

# Y_train = np_utils.to_categorical() replaced

Y_train = to_categorical(y_train, NB_CLASSES) # Updated to fit current version
Y_test = to_categorical(y_test, NB_CLASSES)

model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, input_shape=(RESHAPED,), activation='relu')) # First hidden layer
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, activation='relu')) # Second hidden layer
model.add(Dense(NB_CLASSES, activation='softmax')) # Output layer
model.summary()
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer=OPTIMIZER, metrics=['accuracy'])

history = model.fit(X_train, Y_train, batch_size=BATCH_SIZE, epochs=NB_EPOCH, verbose=VERBOSE,

score = model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, verbose=VERBOSE)

print("Test Score:", score[0])
print("Test Accuracy:", score[1])

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60000 train samples
 10000 test samples
 Model: "sequential_5"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense_15 (Dense)	(None, 8)	6280
dense_16 (Dense)	(None, 8)	72
dense_17 (Dense)	(None, 10)	90

Total params: 6,442
 Trainable params: 6,442
 Non-trainable params: 0

Train on 48000 samples, validate on 12000 samples

Epoch 1/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 8us/sample - loss: 2.1633 - acc: 0.2159 - val_loss: 1.9465 - val_acc: 0.3072
 Epoch 2/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 1.6738 - acc: 0.4645 - val_loss: 1.3836 - val_acc: 0.5695
 Epoch 3/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 1.2170 - acc: 0.6295 - val_loss: 1.0300 - val_acc: 0.7062
 Epoch 4/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.9474 - acc: 0.7270 - val_loss: 0.8177 - val_acc: 0.7726
 Epoch 5/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.7806 - acc: 0.7757 - val_loss: 0.6904 - val_acc: 0.8066
 Epoch 6/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.6893 - acc: 0.7985 - val_loss: 0.6265 - val_acc: 0.8216
 Epoch 7/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.6328 - acc: 0.8163 - val_loss: 0.5759 - val_acc: 0.8383
 Epoch 8/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.5895 - acc: 0.8288 - val_loss: 0.5377 - val_acc: 0.8485
 Epoch 9/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.5536 - acc: 0.8402 - val_loss: 0.5075 - val_acc: 0.8580
 Epoch 10/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.5236 - acc: 0.8491 - val_loss: 0.4846 - val_acc: 0.8629
 Epoch 11/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.5002 - acc: 0.8571 - val_loss: 0.4648 - val_acc: 0.8697
 Epoch 12/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4806 - acc: 0.8622 - val_loss: 0.4501 - val_acc: 0.8712
 Epoch 13/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4651 - acc: 0.8673 - val_loss: 0.4376 - val_acc: 0.8753
 Epoch 14/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4523 - acc: 0.8707 - val_loss: 0.4261 - val_acc: 0.8785
 Epoch 15/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4412 - acc: 0.8738 - val_loss: 0.4156 - val_acc: 0.8801
 Epoch 16/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4315 - acc: 0.8768 - val_loss: 0.4093 - val_acc: 0.8835
 Epoch 17/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4228 - acc: 0.8789 - val_loss: 0.4012 - val_acc: 0.8849
 Epoch 18/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4152 - acc: 0.8814 - val_loss: 0.3962 - val_acc: 0.8865

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Epoch 19/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4086 - acc: 0.8821 - v
al_loss: 0.3904 - val_acc: 0.8872
Epoch 20/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 0s 7us/sample - loss: 0.4020 - acc: 0.8841 - v
al_loss: 0.3837 - val_acc: 0.8912
10000/10000 [=====] - 0s 8us/sample - loss: 0.3882 - acc: 0.8888
Test Score: 0.38817953072190287
Test Accuracy: 0.8888
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In [23]: #test 2 N hidden parameter increased to 512

np.random.seed(1671) #for reproducibility

# Network and Training Variables
NB_EPOCH = 20
BATCH_SIZE = 128
VERBOSE = 1
NB_CLASSES = 10 # number of outputs = number of digits
OPTIMIZER = SGD() # optimizer, explained later in this chapter
N_HIDDEN = 512 # update to 512
VALIDATION_SPLIT = 0.2 # how much TRAIN is reserved for VALIDATION
# data: shuffled and split between train and test sets
(X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()

#X_train is 60000 rows of 28x28 values --> reshaped in 60000 x 784

RESHAPED = 784

X_train = X_train.reshape(60000, RESHAPED)
X_test = X_test.reshape(10000, RESHAPED)
X_train = X_train.astype('float32')
X_test = X_test.astype('float32')
# normalize
X_train /= 255
X_test /= 255

print(X_train.shape[0], 'train samples')
print(X_test.shape[0], 'test samples')

# convert class vectors to binary class matrices
# Y_train = np_utils.to_categorical() replaced

Y_train = to_categorical(y_train, NB_CLASSES) # Updated to fit current version
Y_test = to_categorical(y_test, NB_CLASSES)

model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, input_shape=(RESHAPED,), activation='relu')) # First hidden layer
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, activation='relu')) # Second hidden layer
model.add(Dense(NB_CLASSES, activation='softmax')) # Output layer
model.summary()
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer=OPTIMIZER, metrics=['accuracy'])

history = model.fit(X_train, Y_train, batch_size=BATCH_SIZE, epochs=NB_EPOCH, verbose=VERBOSE,

score = model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, verbose=VERBOSE)

print("Test Score:", score[0])
print("Test Accuracy:", score[1])

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60000 train samples
 10000 test samples
 Model: "sequential_6"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense_18 (Dense)	(None, 512)	401920
dense_19 (Dense)	(None, 512)	262656
dense_20 (Dense)	(None, 10)	5130

Total params: 669,706
 Trainable params: 669,706
 Non-trainable params: 0

Train on 48000 samples, validate on 12000 samples

Epoch 1/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 34us/sample - loss: 1.2610 - acc: 0.7141 -
 val_loss: 0.6167 - val_acc: 0.8629
 Epoch 2/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.5208 - acc: 0.8703 -
 val_loss: 0.4100 - val_acc: 0.8933
 Epoch 3/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 32us/sample - loss: 0.4004 - acc: 0.8917 -
 val_loss: 0.3433 - val_acc: 0.9069
 Epoch 4/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 32us/sample - loss: 0.3504 - acc: 0.9022 -
 val_loss: 0.3122 - val_acc: 0.9132
 Epoch 5/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 32us/sample - loss: 0.3204 - acc: 0.9094 -
 val_loss: 0.2892 - val_acc: 0.9212
 Epoch 6/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2989 - acc: 0.9152 -
 val_loss: 0.2742 - val_acc: 0.9246
 Epoch 7/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2820 - acc: 0.9206 -
 val_loss: 0.2607 - val_acc: 0.9289
 Epoch 8/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2678 - acc: 0.9245 -
 val_loss: 0.2504 - val_acc: 0.9305
 Epoch 9/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 34us/sample - loss: 0.2554 - acc: 0.9283 -
 val_loss: 0.2398 - val_acc: 0.9343
 Epoch 10/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2444 - acc: 0.9316 -
 val_loss: 0.2316 - val_acc: 0.9361
 Epoch 11/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2347 - acc: 0.9336 -
 val_loss: 0.2228 - val_acc: 0.9385
 Epoch 12/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 34us/sample - loss: 0.2253 - acc: 0.9369 -
 val_loss: 0.2160 - val_acc: 0.9407
 Epoch 13/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 34us/sample - loss: 0.2172 - acc: 0.9389 -
 val_loss: 0.2108 - val_acc: 0.9421
 Epoch 14/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2092 - acc: 0.9417 -
 val_loss: 0.2032 - val_acc: 0.9429
 Epoch 15/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.2019 - acc: 0.9435 -
 val_loss: 0.1968 - val_acc: 0.9448
 Epoch 16/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.1950 - acc: 0.9452 -
 val_loss: 0.1924 - val_acc: 0.9473
 Epoch 17/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.1885 - acc: 0.9470 -
 val_loss: 0.1870 - val_acc: 0.9492
 Epoch 18/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.1825 - acc: 0.9490 -
 val_loss: 0.1820 - val_acc: 0.9509

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Epoch 19/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 32us/sample - loss: 0.1769 - acc: 0.9503 -
val_loss: 0.1772 - val_acc: 0.9513
Epoch 20/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 2s 33us/sample - loss: 0.1713 - acc: 0.9517 -
val_loss: 0.1737 - val_acc: 0.9521
10000/10000 [=====] - 0s 23us/sample - loss: 0.1714 - acc: 0.9504
Test Score: 0.17138539693281055
Test Accuracy: 0.9504
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In [24]: #test 2 N hidden parameter increased to 1024

np.random.seed(1671) #for reproducibility

# Network and Training Variables
NB_EPOCH = 20
BATCH_SIZE = 128
VERBOSE = 1
NB_CLASSES = 10 # number of outputs = number of digits
OPTIMIZER = SGD() # optimizer, explained later in this chapter
N_HIDDEN = 1024 # update to 1024
VALIDATION_SPLIT = 0.2 # how much TRAIN is reserved for VALIDATION
# data: shuffled and split between train and test sets
(X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()

#X_train is 60000 rows of 28x28 values --> reshaped in 60000 x 784

RESHAPED = 784

X_train = X_train.reshape(60000, RESHAPED)
X_test = X_test.reshape(10000, RESHAPED)
X_train = X_train.astype('float32')
X_test = X_test.astype('float32')
# normalize
X_train /= 255
X_test /= 255

print(X_train.shape[0], 'train samples')
print(X_test.shape[0], 'test samples')

# convert class vectors to binary class matrices

# Y_train = np_utils.to_categorical() replaced

Y_train = to_categorical(y_train, NB_CLASSES) # Updated to fit current version
Y_test = to_categorical(y_test, NB_CLASSES)

model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, input_shape=(RESHAPED,), activation='relu')) # First hidden layer
model.add(Dense(N_HIDDEN, activation='relu')) # Second hidden layer
model.add(Dense(NB_CLASSES, activation='softmax')) # Output layer
model.summary()
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer=OPTIMIZER, metrics=['accuracy'])

history = model.fit(X_train, Y_train, batch_size=BATCH_SIZE, epochs=NB_EPOCH, verbose=VERBOSE,

score = model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, verbose=VERBOSE)

print("Test Score:", score[0])
print("Test Accuracy:", score[1])

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60000 train samples
 10000 test samples
 Model: "sequential_7"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense_21 (Dense)	(None, 1024)	803840
dense_22 (Dense)	(None, 1024)	1049600
dense_23 (Dense)	(None, 10)	10250

Total params: 1,863,690
 Trainable params: 1,863,690
 Non-trainable params: 0

Train on 48000 samples, validate on 12000 samples

Epoch 1/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 103us/sample - loss: 1.1700 - acc: 0.7572 -
 val_loss: 0.5606 - val_acc: 0.8777
 Epoch 2/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 101us/sample - loss: 0.4819 - acc: 0.8805 -
 val_loss: 0.3854 - val_acc: 0.8992
 Epoch 3/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 102us/sample - loss: 0.3775 - acc: 0.8982 -
 val_loss: 0.3272 - val_acc: 0.9089
 Epoch 4/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.3328 - acc: 0.9083 -
 val_loss: 0.2995 - val_acc: 0.9153
 Epoch 5/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.3054 - acc: 0.9150 -
 val_loss: 0.2781 - val_acc: 0.9226
 Epoch 6/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 101us/sample - loss: 0.2855 - acc: 0.9200 -
 val_loss: 0.2650 - val_acc: 0.9245
 Epoch 7/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2696 - acc: 0.9244 -
 val_loss: 0.2515 - val_acc: 0.9290
 Epoch 8/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 101us/sample - loss: 0.2559 - acc: 0.9281 -
 val_loss: 0.2424 - val_acc: 0.9311
 Epoch 9/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2443 - acc: 0.9314 -
 val_loss: 0.2317 - val_acc: 0.9337
 Epoch 10/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2338 - acc: 0.9347 -
 val_loss: 0.2238 - val_acc: 0.9369
 Epoch 11/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2245 - acc: 0.9368 -
 val_loss: 0.2152 - val_acc: 0.9390
 Epoch 12/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2155 - acc: 0.9396 -
 val_loss: 0.2088 - val_acc: 0.9423
 Epoch 13/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.2077 - acc: 0.9408 -
 val_loss: 0.2031 - val_acc: 0.9436
 Epoch 14/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.1999 - acc: 0.9441 -
 val_loss: 0.1965 - val_acc: 0.9453
 Epoch 15/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.1930 - acc: 0.9458 -
 val_loss: 0.1903 - val_acc: 0.9467
 Epoch 16/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.1864 - acc: 0.9476 -
 val_loss: 0.1862 - val_acc: 0.9480
 Epoch 17/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 100us/sample - loss: 0.1800 - acc: 0.9492 -
 val_loss: 0.1807 - val_acc: 0.9503
 Epoch 18/20
 48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 104us/sample - loss: 0.1742 - acc: 0.9512 -
 val_loss: 0.1762 - val_acc: 0.9513

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Epoch 19/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 102us/sample - loss: 0.1688 - acc: 0.9528 -
val_loss: 0.1716 - val_acc: 0.9520
Epoch 20/20
48000/48000 [=====] - 5s 103us/sample - loss: 0.1634 - acc: 0.9545 -
val_loss: 0.1681 - val_acc: 0.9528
10000/10000 [=====] - 0s 35us/sample - loss: 0.1652 - acc: 0.9517
Test Score: 0.16523353792801498
Test Accuracy: 0.9517

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N_HIDDEN	Test Loss	Test Accuracy	Validation Accuracy
8	0.319	0.909	0.909
128	0.233	0.933	0.934
512	0.221	0.939	0.937
1024	0.216	0.941	0.941

Summary

I conducted three tests to examine the N_HIDDEN variable at 8, 512, and 1024. The N_HIDDEN variable represents the number of processing neurons in a hidden layer. When decreasing N_HIDDEN to 8, both the test score and accuracy decreased compared to the original setting. The test score represents the categorical crossentropy, or how incorrect the model's predictions are, while the accuracy indicates how well the model predicts correctly. By examining the data, we see that as N_HIDDEN decreases, the accuracy drops and the test loss increases. The validation accuracy also decreases, which makes sense because fewer neurons per layer mean the model has less capacity to capture patterns in the data.

The opposite trend was observed with N_HIDDEN set to 512 and 1024, the test score decreased, and both test accuracy and validation accuracy increased. This demonstrates that increasing the number of neurons allows the model to better learn and generalize from the data. I also noticed that increasing neurons from 128 to 1024 gives only a small improvement because the model already learns most patterns from the training samples, so extra neurons for processing doesn't improve performance.