

# C1W3\_Assignment

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## 1 Week 3 Assignment: Implement a Quadratic Layer

In this week's programming exercise, you will build a custom quadratic layer which computes  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ . Similar to the ungraded lab, this layer will be plugged into a model that will be trained on the MNIST dataset. Let's get started!

### 1.0.1 Imports

```
[1]: import tensorflow as tf
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Layer

import utils
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### 1.0.2 Define the quadratic layer (TODO)

Implement a simple quadratic layer. It has 3 state variables:  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ . The computation returned is  $ax^2 + bx + c$ . Make sure it can also accept an activation function.

#### `__init__`

- call `super(my_fun, self)` to access the base class of `my_fun`, and call the `__init__()` function to initialize that base class. In this case, `my_fun` is `SimpleQuadratic` and its base class is `Layer`.
- `self.units`: set this using one of the function parameters.
- `self.activation`: The function parameter `activation` will be passed in as a string. To get the tensorflow object associated with the string, please use `tf.keras.activations.get()`

**build** The following are suggested steps for writing your code. If you prefer to use fewer lines to implement it, feel free to do so. Either way, you'll want to set `self.a`, `self.b` and `self.c`.

- `a_init`: set this to tensorflow's `random_normal_initializer()`
- `a_init_val`: Use the `random_normal_initializer()` that you just created and invoke it, setting the `shape` and `dtype`.

- The `shape` of `a` should have its row dimension equal to the last dimension of `input_shape`, and its column dimension equal to the number of units in the layer.
- This is because you'll be matrix multiplying  $x^2 * a$ , so the dimensions should be compatible.
- set the dtype to 'float32'
- `self.a`: create a tensor using `tf.Variable`, setting the `initial_value` and set trainable to `True`.
- `b_init`, `b_init_val`, and `self.b`: these will be set in the same way that you implemented `a_init`, `a_init_val` and `self.a`
- `c_init`: set this to `tf.zeros_initializer`.
- `c_init_val`: Set this by calling the `tf.zeros_initializer` that you just instantiated, and set the `shape` and `dtype`
  - `shape`: This will be a vector equal to the number of units. This expects a tuple, and remember that a tuple `(9,)` includes a comma.
  - `dtype`: set to 'float32'.
- `self.c`: create a tensor using `tf.Variable`, and set the parameters `initial_value` and `trainable`.

**call** The following section performs the multiplication  $x^2a + xb + c$ . The steps are broken down for clarity, but you can also perform this calculation in fewer lines if you prefer.

- `x_squared`: use `tf.math.square()`
- `x_squared_times_a`: use `tf.matmul()`.
- If you see an error saying `InvalidArgumentError: Matrix size-incompatible`, please check the order of the matrix multiplication to make sure that the matrix dimensions line up.
- `x_times_b`: use `tf.matmul()`.
- `x2a_plus_xb_plus_c`: add the three terms together.
- `activated_x2a_plus_xb_plus_c`: apply the class's `activation` to the sum of the three terms.

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[2]: # Please uncomment all lines in this cell and replace those marked with `# YOUR_
    ↪CODE HERE`.
    # You can select all lines in this code cell with Ctrl+A (Windows/Linux) or_
    ↪Cmd+A (Mac), then press Ctrl+/ (Windows/Linux) or Cmd+/ (Mac) to uncomment.

class SimpleQuadratic(Layer):

    def __init__(self, units=32, activation=None):
        '''Initializes the class and sets up the internal variables'''
        super(SimpleQuadratic, self).__init__()
        self.units = units
        self.activation = tf.keras.activations.get(activation)

    def build(self, input_shape):
        '''Create the state of the layer (weights)'''
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        # a and b should be initialized with random normal, c (or the bias)
        ↪with zeros.
        # remember to set these as trainable.
        a_init = tf.random_normal_initializer()
        b_init = tf.random_normal_initializer()
        c_init = tf.zeros_initializer()

        self.a = tf.Variable(name = "kernel",
                              initial_value = a_init(shape = (input_shape[-1],
        ↪self.units), dtype = 'float32'),
                              trainable = True)
        self.b = tf.Variable(name = "kernel",
                              initial_value = b_init(shape = (input_shape[-1],
        ↪self.units), dtype = 'float32'),
                              trainable = True)
        self.c = tf.Variable(name = "kernel",
                              initial_value = c_init(shape = (self.units,), dtype
        ↪= 'float32'),
                              trainable = True)

        def call(self, inputs):
            '''Defines the computation from inputs to outputs'''
            result = tf.matmul(tf.math.square(inputs), self.a) + tf.matmul(inputs,
        ↪self.b) + self.c
            return self.activation(result)

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Test your implementation

```
[3]: utils.test_simple_quadratic(SimpleQuadratic)
```

All public tests passed

Train your model with the SimpleQuadratic layer that you just implemented.

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[4]: # THIS CODE SHOULD RUN WITHOUT MODIFICATION
      # AND SHOULD RETURN TRAINING/TESTING ACCURACY at 97%+

      mnist = tf.keras.datasets.mnist

      (x_train, y_train), (x_test, y_test) = mnist.load_data()
      x_train, x_test = x_train / 255.0, x_test / 255.0

      model = tf.keras.models.Sequential([
          tf.keras.layers.Flatten(input_shape=(28, 28)),
          SimpleQuadratic(128, activation='relu'),
          tf.keras.layers.Dropout(0.2),
          tf.keras.layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax')

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])

model.compile(optimizer='adam',
              loss='sparse_categorical_crossentropy',
              metrics=['accuracy'])

model.fit(x_train, y_train, epochs=5)
model.evaluate(x_test, y_test)

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Downloading data from https://storage.googleapis.com/tensorflow/tf-keras-
datasets/mnist.npz
11493376/11490434 [=====] - 0s 0us/step
Train on 60000 samples
Epoch 1/5
60000/60000 [=====] - 13s 209us/sample - loss: 0.2708 -
accuracy: 0.9198
Epoch 2/5
60000/60000 [=====] - 12s 203us/sample - loss: 0.1316 -
accuracy: 0.9608
Epoch 3/5
60000/60000 [=====] - 12s 202us/sample - loss: 0.0985 -
accuracy: 0.9698
Epoch 4/5
60000/60000 [=====] - 12s 202us/sample - loss: 0.0838 -
accuracy: 0.9739
Epoch 5/5
60000/60000 [=====] - 12s 202us/sample - loss: 0.0709 -
accuracy: 0.9771
10000/10000 [=====] - 1s 77us/sample - loss: 0.0747 -
accuracy: 0.9762

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[4]: [0.07472876953545492, 0.9762]
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