Report

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Model and Implementation –

A fully connected dense neural network is used here. 2 variants have been used one with 1 hidden layer and other with 2 hidden layers.

Steps to train the neural networks –

1. Forward Propagation
2. Cost Calculation
3. Backpropagation (Computing Gradients)
4. Applying the gradients to correct positions with appropriate learning rate
5. Repeat till convergence

Data was preprocessed for better results. Following operations were carried out on it –

- Targets were 0 indexed
- Normalization
- Divided into mini batches during training

Learning rate decay was used for better results, also we used 3 different starting learning rates.

Hyper-parameters –

2 Hidden Layers

Input layer has 6 units as there are 6

attributes. 1st Hidden Layer has 256 units.

2nd Hidden Layer has 128 units.

Output Layer has 10 units as there are 10 classes.

The hidden layers have relu activation and the output layer has softmax

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Metrics –

2 Hidden Layers

Maximum Train accuracy =

84%   Maximum   Test

Accuracy = 80% Loss = 0.38

This is for a network with 256 and 128 hidden layer

units. The learning rate is 0.01.
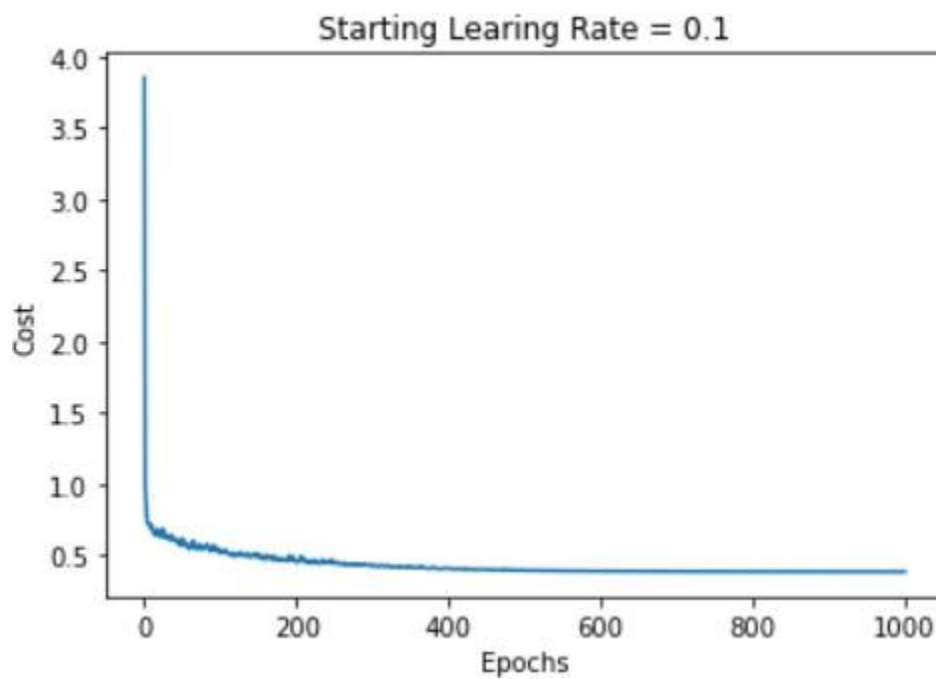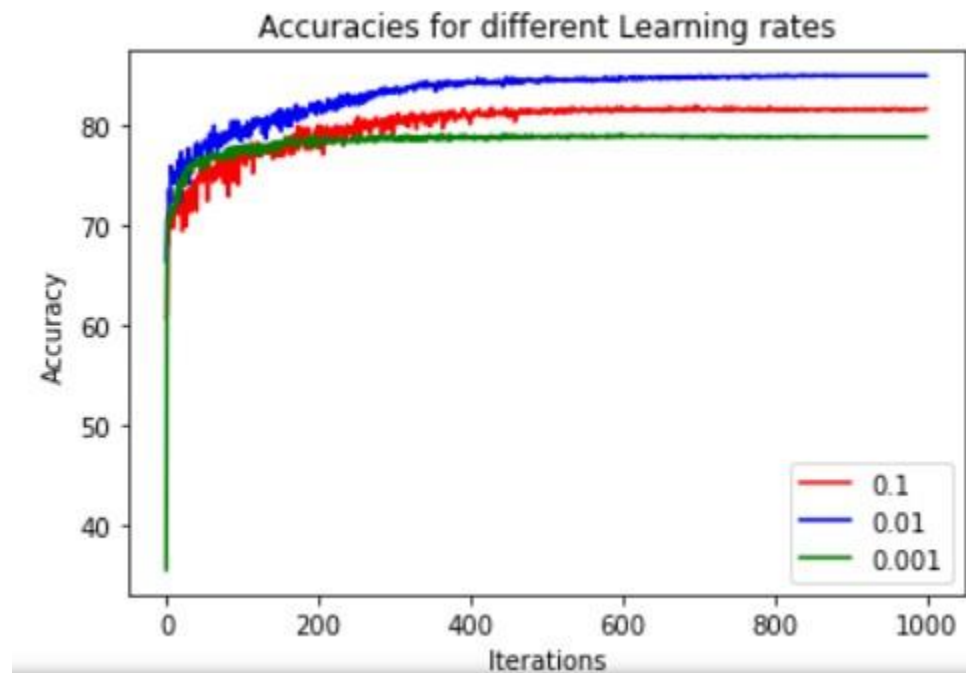

1 Hidden Layer

Maximum Training Accuracy = 79%

Maximum Testing Accuracy = 74%

This is for a network with 128 hidden layer

units. Loss = 0.53

The learning rate is 0.01.

Plots –

Neural Network with 2 hidden layers –

Accuracies for different Learning rates

Legend:
- 0.1 (red)
- 0.01 (blue)
- 0.001 (green)

X-axis: Iterations
Y-axis: Accuracy

Starting Learing Rate = 0.1

X-axis: Epochs
Y-axis: Cost

Neural Network with 1 hidden layer –

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