

HappyMonk Internship Test

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1. Problem

Selection of the best performing AF for classification task is essentially a naive (or brute-force) procedure wherein, a popularly used AF is picked and used in the network for approximating the optimal function. If this function fails, the process is repeated with a different AF, till the network learns to approximate the ideal function. So the task is to automatically learn optimal activation function using backpropagation. The activation function is of the form $g(x) = k_0 + k_1x + k_2x^2$ where k_0, k_1, k_2 are parameters which can be learned while training.

2. Implementation Details

For this demonstration a Feed Forward Neural Network is considered, the neural network consists of two hidden layers consisting of n and p nodes respectively and a softmax layer in the output stage. For my implementation I have taken $n = 2$ and $p = 2$, although the number of layers can be changed by adding elements to the list **layer_dims**. The implementation of neural network is done completely in python using NumPy.

2.1 Dataset

The dataset used in the demonstration is **Banknote Authentication Dataset** which contains 1372 examples with a binary classification label for each example.

2.2 Initial Settings

All the parameters i.e Weight matrices, bias, k_0, k_1 and k_2 were initialized by sampling from a standard normal distribution. The learning rate was set to be 0.00001.

2.3 Algorithms

For updating parameters of the model I have used Mini Batch Gradient Descent i.e updating parameters after every minibatch is processed. Backpropagation and update equations are used as given in the test paper.

3. Parameter Updates

I have recorded the model parameters at different epochs to show that the parameters are updating.

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{'K': [0.9015907205927955, 0.5024943389018682, 0.9008559492644118],
'W1': array([[ 0.01624345, -0.00611756, -0.00528172, -0.01072969],
 [ 0.00865408, -0.02301539,  0.01744812, -0.00761207]]),
'W2': array([[ 0.01462108, -0.02060141],
 [-0.00322417, -0.00384054]]),
'W3': array([[ -0.00172428, -0.00877858],
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 [-0.24937038]]),
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 [-1.09989127]]),
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 [ 1.14507902]])}

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Figure 1: (a) Initial Parameters (b) Parameters after 5 epoch

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{'K': array([0.90241784, 0.5020205 , 0.9008746 ]),
'W1': array([[ 0.01617218, -0.00613113, -0.00524322, -0.01071971],
 [ 0.00866922, -0.02294006,  0.0173739 , -0.00764293]]),
'W2': array([[ 0.00255463, -0.02932633],
 [ 0.00073763, -0.00097583]]),
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 [ 0.00221311,  0.00682609]]),
'b1': array([[ 0.31692689],
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 [ 1.14543433]])}

{'K': array([0.92707368, 0.50125321, 0.9031452 ]),
'W1': array([[ 0.0157566 , -0.00620548, -0.00502187, -0.01066116],
 [ 0.00875837, -0.02249024,  0.0169306 , -0.00782594]]),
'W2': array([[ -0.05866135, -0.07404296],
 [ 0.02295472,  0.01525753]]),
'W3': array([[ 0.01267739, -0.00027711],
 [ 0.01198461,  0.01265223]]),
'b1': array([[ 0.30441142],
 [-0.24989294]]),
'b2': array([[ 1.06667942],
 [-1.0759261 ]]),
'b3': array([[ -1.09434936],
 [ 1.1497239 ]])}

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Figure 2: (a) Parameters after 10 epochs (b)Final parameters after 70 epochs

Here W_1 , W_2 , W_3 are weights of layer 1, 2, 3 respectively and array K are the parameters k_0 , k_1 , k_2 . The initial value of K was $[0.9015907205927955, 0.5024943389018682, 0.9008559492644118]$ and after 70 epochs K was $[0.92707368, 0.50125321, 0.9031452]$.

4. Results and Plots

I used a model with $n = 2$ and $p = 2$ (number of neurons in hidden layers) for the implementation.

- 1) I achieved a accuracy of 77.65 % on training set and accuracy of 81.63 % on testing set after 70 epochs.
- 2) Loss on training set was 6.936341279342004 and on testing set it was 5.837728920179703.
- 3) F1-score on training set was 76.62 % and on testing set it was 81.08 %.

4.1 Loss function

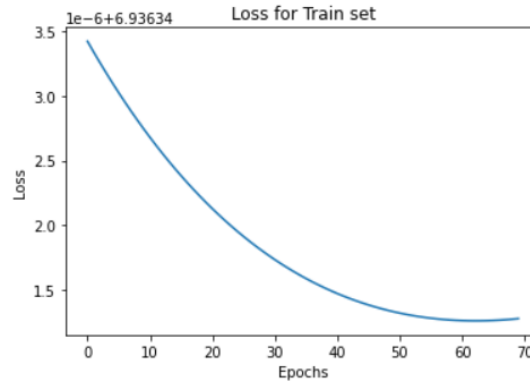


Figure 3: Loss function for train set

4.2 Train Accuracy vs Test Accuracy

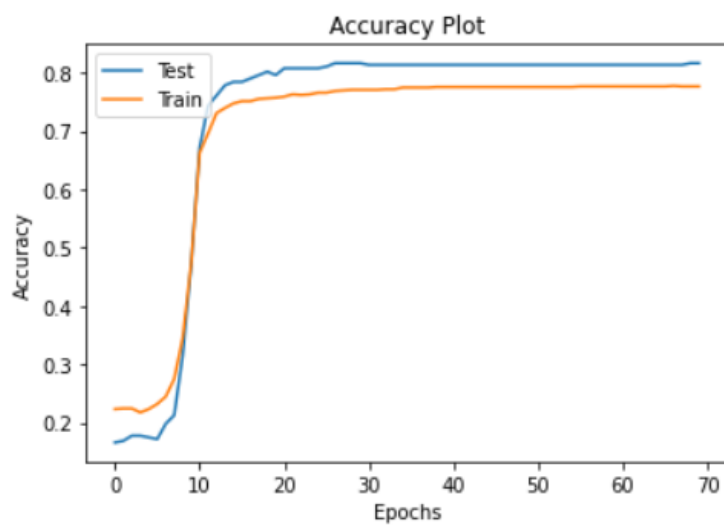


Figure 4: Accuracy Plot

4.3 Confusion Matrix

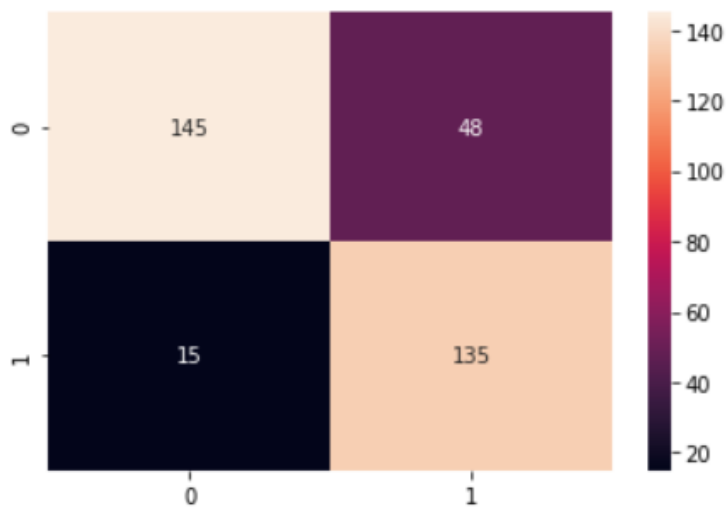


Figure 5: Confusion Matrix for Test set

5. Code

The Jupyter Notebook containing the implementation can be found at <https://github.com/KunalVaidya99/HappyMonk-Internship-Test>.