

**1. For the multilayer neural network model below, show that nonlinearity will not be achieved if the activation function  $f(\cdot)$  is chosen as a linear function.**

$$g_k(\mathbf{x}) \equiv y_k = f\left(\sum_j w_{kj} f\left(\sum_i w_{ji} x_i + w_{j0}\right) + w_{k0}\right)$$

Assume  $f(x) = ax + b$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow f\left(\sum_i w_{ji} x_i + w_{j0}\right) \\ &= \sum_i a w_{ji} x_i + (a w_{j0} + b) \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_j w_{kj} f\left(\sum_i w_{ji} x_i + w_{j0}\right) + w_{k0} \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j a w_{kj} w_{ji} x_i + \sum_j w_{kj} (a w_{j0} + b) + w_{k0} \\ &\Rightarrow f\left(\sum_j w_{kj} f\left(\sum_i w_{ji} x_i + w_{j0}\right) + w_{k0}\right) \\ &= \sum_i \sum_j a^2 w_{kj} w_{ji} x_i + \sum_j a w_{kj} (a w_{j0} + b) + (a w_{k0} + b) \\ &= y_k \equiv g_k(\vec{x}), \quad \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$$

Since function  $g(\cdot)$  depicts a hyperplane in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , it is still a linear function. Therefore, nonlinearity will not be achieved if the activation function  $f(\cdot)$  is chosen as a linear function.

**2. Consider a single neuron with Sigmoid activation function  $s(z) = 1/(1 + e^{-z})$ . The input of this neuron is  $\mathbf{X} = (x_0, \dots, x_n)^T$  and the output is  $y = s(\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{X})$ , whose weight vector being  $\mathbf{W} = (w_0, \dots, w_n)^T$ . The error function is  $E = 0.5(g - y)^2$ , where  $g$  is the true label of samples.**

**(1) Write the weight-updating formula (Denote the learning rate as  $\lambda$ )**

**(2) Initially, the weight vector  $\mathbf{W} = (0.5, 1, 1)^T$ . If  $\mathbf{X} = (1, 2, 0.5)^T$ ,  $g=1$ ,  $\lambda=0.1$ .**

**Write the new values of weight vector updated by one-step error back propagation.**

$$(1) \frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = X^T \otimes -(y - \hat{y}) \cdot S(z)(1 - S(z))$$

$$= X^T \otimes (y - \hat{y}) \cdot y(1 - y)$$

$$\Rightarrow W_{\text{new}} = w - \lambda \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial w}$$

(2) Forward Propagation:

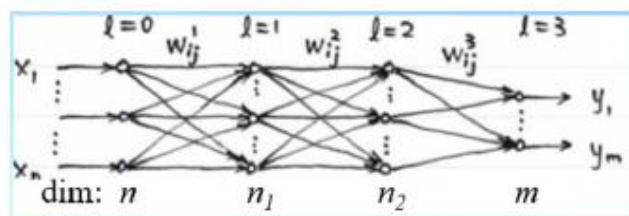
$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w^T x}} = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - \hat{y}) y(1 - y) = -2.375 \times 10^{-3}$$

After BP, the new weights are:

$$W_{\text{new}} = (0.5 + 1.19 \times 10^{-4}, 1 + 4.75 \times 10^{-4}, 1 + 2.38 \times 10^{-4})^T$$

**3.(Optional) For a 4-layered MLP (with 3 hidden layers), derive the BP algorithm one by one layer and write down the pseudo-code for the training procedure.**



The procedure of forward propagation has been illustrated in the left picture.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \\
 & \downarrow \text{Layer 0} \\
 & O_i = f_0(x_i) \\
 & \downarrow \text{Layer 1} \\
 & \text{net}_{1h} = \sum_i w_{ih}^1 O_i, \quad h = 1, 2, \dots, n_1 \\
 & O_h = f_1(\text{net}_{1h}) \\
 & \downarrow \text{Layer 2} \\
 & \text{net}_{2j} = \sum_h w_{hj}^2 O_h, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n_2 \\
 & O_{2j} = f_2(\text{net}_{2j}) \\
 & \downarrow \text{Layer 3} \\
 & \text{net}_{3k} = \sum_j w_{jk}^3 O_{2j}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, m \\
 & \hat{y}_k \equiv O_{3k} = f_3(\text{net}_{3k}) \\
 & E = \sum_k \frac{1}{2} (y_k - \hat{y}_k)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Pay attention to these math notations please, since the derivation of backward propagation algorithm will be based on the usage of them in the right picture.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}^3} &= \frac{\partial E}{\partial \text{net}_{3k}} \cdot \frac{\partial \text{net}_{3k}}{\partial w_{jk}^3} \\
 &= \delta_3 \cdot O_{2j} \\
 \delta_3 &= \frac{\partial E}{\partial \text{net}_{3k}} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \hat{y}_k} \cdot \frac{\partial \hat{y}_k}{\partial \text{net}_{3k}} \\
 &= -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(\text{net}_{3k}) \\
 \therefore \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}^3} &= -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) f_3'(\text{net}_{3k}) \cdot O_{2j}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{kj}^2} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{kj}} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{kj}}{\partial w_{kj}^2}$$

$$= \delta_2 \cdot O_{jh}$$

$$\delta_2 = \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{kj}} = \sum_k \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{jk}} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{jk}}{\partial O_{kj}} \cdot \frac{\partial O_{kj}}{\partial net_{kj}}$$

$$= \sum_k \delta_3 \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot f'(net_{kj}) = \sum_k -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(net_{jk}) \cdot \overbrace{w_{jk}^2}^{O_{kj}} \cdot f'(net_{kj})$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}^2} \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{kj}^2} = \sum_k -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(net_{jk}) \cdot O_{kj} \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot f'(net_{kj}) \cdot O_{jh}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{kj}^2} = \sum_k -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(net_{jk}) \cdot f'(net_{kj}) \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot O_{kj} \cdot O_{jh}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ih}'} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{ih}} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{ih}}{\partial w_{ih}'}$$

$$= \delta_1 \cdot O_{oi}$$

$$\delta_1 = \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{ih}} = \sum_j \frac{\partial E}{\partial net_{ij}} \cdot \frac{\partial net_{ij}}{\partial O_{ih}} \cdot \frac{\partial O_{ih}}{\partial net_{ih}}$$

$$= \sum_j \sum_k \delta_3 \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot f'(net_{ij}) \cdot w_{ij}^2 \cdot f_1'(net_{ih})$$

$$= \sum_j \sum_k -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(net_{jk}) \cdot O_{kj} \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot f_2'(net_{ij}) \cdot w_{ij}^2 \cdot f_1'(net_{ih})$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ih}'} = \sum_j \sum_k -(y_k - \hat{y}_k) \cdot f_3'(net_{jk}) \cdot f_2'(net_{ij}) \cdot f_1'(net_{ih}) \cdot w_{jk}^2 \cdot w_{ij}^2 \cdot O_{kj} \cdot O_{ih} \cdot O_{oi}$$