ARI3129 - Neural Networks Simulator

Note: There was no use of Generative AI whilst carrying out all the mentioned tasks.

Task 1: Understanding Activation Functions

Activation Function	Num. Of Epochs to Converge	Problem Type	Has Function Failed?	Figure
Tanh	350	Classification	No	OUTPUT Test loss 0.018 Training loss 0.010
Sigmoid	400	Classification	No	OUTPUT Test loss 0.028 Training loss 0.026
ReLU	150	Classification	No	OUTPUT Test loss 0.009 Training loss 0.009

Task 2: Exploring Learning Rates

Learning Rate	Num. Of Epochs to Converge	Oscillations or Overshooting?
0.00001	ω	Yes (test loss is way over training loss)
0.0001	16,000	No
0.001	2,750	No
0.003	660	No
0.01	335	No
0.03	175	No
0.1	100	No
0.3	100	Yes
1	1,000	Yes
3	500	Yes
10	∞	Yes

Task 3: Playing with Layers and Neurons

Num. Of Hidden Layers	Num. Of Neurons	Num. Of Epochs to Converge	Decision Boundary Complexity
1	1	∞	Overfitting
1	2	∞	Overfitting
1	3	500	Simple
1	4	350	Simple
2	1, 1	∞	Overfitting
2	2, 1	∞	Overfitting
2	3, 1	150	Simple
2	4, 1	200	Simple
2	3, 2	250	Simple
2	3, 3	200	Simple
2	3, 4	250	Simple
2	4, 2	350	Simple
2	4, 3	200	Simple
2	4, 4	150	Simple
3	1, 1, 1	∞	Hard
3	2, 1, 1	∞	Overfitting
3	2, 2, 1	∞	Overfitting
3	3, 2, 1	500	Simple
3	3, 2, 2	350	Simple
3	3, 2, 3	∞	Overfitting
3	3, 3, 2	200	Simple
3	3, 3, 3	150	Simple

3	4, 1, 1	300	Simple
3	4, 1, 2	200	Simple
3	4, 1, 3	150	Simple
3	4, 1, 4	150	Simple
3	4, 2, 1	350	Simple
3	4, 2, 2	250	Simple
3	4, 2, 3	200	Simple
3	4, 2, 4	150	Simple
3	4, 3, 1	200	Simple
3	4, 3, 2	300	Simple
3	4, 3, 3	200	Simple
3	4, 3, 4	200	Simple
3	4, 4, 1	350	Simple
3	4, 4, 2	200	Simple
3	4, 4, 3	150	Simple
3	4, 4, 4	150	Simple

Task 4

Note: For this exercise, number of examples was used as epochs was difficult to calculate using ConvnetJS.

Optimisation Function	Min Num. Of Examples to Converge (x10³)	Sensitivity to Initial Conditions	Early Plateau?
SGD	44.8	Low	No
SGD+Momentum	44.8	Low	No
AdaGrad	44.8	Low	No
WindowGrad	25.6	Low	Yes
AdaDelta	66.13	Low	No
Nesterov	51.2	Low	No