

1 Computation for a multi-class classification neural net

Let $D_n = \{(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}$ be the dataset with $x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $y^{(i)} \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ indicating the class within m classes. For vectors and matrices in the following equations, vectors are by default considered to be column vectors.

Consider a neural net of the type Multilayer perceptron (MLP) with only one hidden layer (meaning 3 layers total if we count the input and output layers). The hidden layer is made of d_h neurons fully connected to the input layer. We shall consider a non linearity of type rectifier, called Leaky RELU with parameter $\alpha < 1$ (Leaky Rectified Linear Unit) for the hidden layer, defined as follows:

$$LeakyRELU_{\alpha}(x) = \max(x, \alpha x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ \alpha x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The output layer is made of m neurons that are fully connected to the hidden layer. They are equipped with a softmax non linearity. The output of the j^{th} neuron of the output layer gives a score for the j -th class which can be interpreted as the probability of x being of class j .

1. Write the derivative of the sigmoid function, σ' , using the σ function only

$$\sigma(x) = \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \right) = (1 + e^{-x})^{-1} \quad (1)$$

In terms of $\sigma(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x) &= (1 + e^{-x})^{-1} \\ \sigma^{-1}(x) &= 1 + e^{-x} \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{-x} = \sigma^{-1}(x) - 1 \quad (2)$$

The derivative is:

$$\sigma'(x) = \frac{d\sigma(x)}{dx} = \left(- (1 + e^{-x})^{-2} \right) \times (-e^{-x})$$

$$= \left((1 + e^{-x})^{-2} \right) \times (e^{-x}) = \left((1 + e^{-x})^{-1} \right)^2 \times (e^{-x})$$

Substitute (1) and (2):

$$\sigma'(x) = \left((1 + e^{-x})^{-1} \right)^2 \times (e^{-x}) = \sigma^2(x) \times (\sigma^{-1}(x) - 1)$$

The final answer is:

$$\sigma'(x) = \sigma(x) - \sigma^2(x)$$

2. Write the derivative of the hyperbolic tangent function, \tanh' , using the \tanh function only

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} = \frac{u}{v} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tanh'(x) &= \frac{d(\tanh(x))}{dx} = \frac{vu' + uv'}{vv} \\ &\begin{cases} u = e^x - e^{-x}. \\ v = e^x + e^{-x} \\ u' = e^x + e^{-x} = v \\ v' = e^x - e^{-x} = u \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

From (4),

$$\begin{aligned} \tanh'(x) &= \frac{vu' + uv'}{vv} = \frac{vv + uu}{vv} \\ &= \frac{vv}{vv} - \frac{uu}{vv} = 1 - \left(\frac{u}{v} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

And from (3),

$$\tanh'(x) = 1 - \left(\frac{u}{v} \right)^2 = 1 - (\tanh(x))^2$$

Therefore,

$$\tanh'(x) = 1 - \tanh^2(x)$$

3. Write the derivative of the rectifier function, rect' . Note: its derivative at 0 is undefined, but rect' can return 0 at 0.

$$\text{rect}(x) = \begin{cases} x & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$\text{rect}'(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases} \implies \text{rect}'(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\{x>0\}}(x)$$

4. Let the squared L_2 norm of a vector be: $\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i^2$. Write the the gradient of the square of the L_2 norm function, $\frac{\partial \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$, in vector form.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \sum_i x_i^2}{\partial \mathbf{x}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ 2x_2 \\ \vdots \\ 2x_n \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = 2\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

5. Let the norm L_1 of a vector be: $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 = \sum_i |\mathbf{x}_i|$. Write the gradient of the L_1 norm function, $\frac{\partial \|\mathbf{x}\|_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$, in vector form.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \sum_i |x_i|}{\partial \mathbf{x}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial(|x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n|)}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial(|x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n|)}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \text{sign}(x_1) \\ \text{sign}(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \text{sign}(x_n) \end{bmatrix} = \text{sign}(\mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

6. Let $\mathbf{W}^{(1)}$ be a $d_h \times d$ matrix of weights and $\mathbf{b}^{(1)}$ the bias vector be the connections between the input layer and the hidden layer. What is the dimension of $\mathbf{b}^{(1)}$? Give the formula of the pre-activation vector (before the non linearity) of the neurons of the hidden layer \mathbf{h}^a given \mathbf{x} as input, first in a matrix form ($\mathbf{h}^a = \dots$), and then details on how to compute one element $\mathbf{h}_j^a = \dots$. Write the output vector of the hidden layer \mathbf{h}^s with respect to \mathbf{h}^a .

$$b^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_h}$$

$$h^a = b^{(1)} + W^{(1)}x$$

$$h^a = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ b_{d_h}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_{11}^{(1)} & w_{12}^{(1)} & \dots & w_{1d}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ w_{d_h 1}^{(1)} & w_{d_h 2}^{(1)} & \dots & w_{d_h d}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{(1)} + w_{11}^{(1)}x_1 + w_{12}^{(1)}x_2 + \dots + w_{1d}^{(1)}x_d \\ \vdots \\ b_{d_h}^{(1)} + w_{d_h 1}^{(1)}x_1 + w_{d_h 2}^{(1)}x_2 + \dots + w_{d_h d}^{(1)}x_d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies h_j^a = b_j^{(1)} + \sum_{i=1}^d w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i$$

$$h^s = \text{LeakyRELU}_\alpha(h^a)$$

7. Let $\mathbf{W}^{(2)}$ be a weight matrix and $\mathbf{b}^{(2)}$ a bias vector be the connections between the hidden layer and the output layer. What are the dimensions of $\mathbf{W}^{(2)}$ and $\mathbf{b}^{(2)}$? Give the formula of the activation function of the neurons of the output layer \mathbf{o}^a with respect to their input \mathbf{h}^s in a matrix form and then write in a detailed form for \mathbf{o}_k^a .

$$W^{(2)} \text{ is } m \times d_h \text{ and } b^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$o^a = b^{(2)} + W^{(2)}h^s$$

$$o^a = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ b_m^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_{11}^2 & w_{12}^2 & \dots & w_{1d_h}^2 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ w_{m1}^2 & w_{m2}^2 & \dots & w_{md_h}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1^s \\ \vdots \\ h_{d_h}^s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\implies o_k^a = b_k^{(2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{d_h} w_{ki}^{(2)} h_i^s$$

8. The output of the neurons at the output layer is given by:

$$\mathbf{o}^s = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{o}^a)$$

Give the precise equation for \mathbf{o}_k^s as a function of \mathbf{o}_j^a . **Show** that the \mathbf{o}_k^s are positive and sum to 1. Why is this important?

$$o_k^s = \text{softmax}(o^a)_k = \frac{\exp(o_k^a)}{\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)}$$

By definition of $\exp(x)$, we know that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \exp(x) > 0$$

Also, we know that

$$\forall a, b > 0 \quad \frac{a}{b} > 0$$

Therefore, the o_k^s are positive.

$$\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s = \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\exp(o_k^a)}{\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^m \exp(o_k^a)}{\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)} = 1$$

It is important that o_k^s are positive and that they sum to 1, because it allows to interpret o_k^s as $P(Y = k|X=x)$ (i.e. to interpret o_k^s as the probability of x being of class k).

9. The neural net computes, for an input vector \mathbf{x} , a vector of probability scores $\mathbf{o}^s(\mathbf{x})$. The probability, computed by a neural net, that an observation \mathbf{x} belong to class y is given by the y^{th} output $\mathbf{o}_y^s(\mathbf{x})$. This suggests a loss function such as:

$$L(\mathbf{x}, y) = -\log \mathbf{o}_y^s(\mathbf{x})$$

Find the equation of L as a function of the vector \mathbf{o}^a . It is easily achievable with the correct substitution using the equation of the previous question.

$$\begin{aligned}
L(x, y) &= -\log\left(\frac{\exp(o_y^a)}{\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)}\right) \\
&= \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)\right) - \log(\exp(o_y^a)) \\
&= \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \exp(o_i^a)\right) - o_y^a
\end{aligned}$$

10. The training of the neural net will consist of finding parameters that minimize the empirical risk \hat{R} associated with this loss function. What is \hat{R} ? What is precisely the set θ of parameters of the network? How many scalar parameters n_θ are there? Write down the optimization problem of training the network in order to find the optimal values for these parameters.

$$\hat{R} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n L(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [\log(\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a(x^{(i)}))) - o_{y^{(i)}}^a(x^{(i)})]$$

$$\theta = \{W^{(1)}, b^{(1)}, W^{(2)}, b^{(2)}\}$$

$$n_\theta = d_h \times d + d_h + m \times d_h + m$$

The optimization problem of training the network in order to find the optimal values for these parameters is $\arg \min_\theta \hat{R}(\theta, D_{train})$

11. To find a solution to this optimization problem, we will use gradient descent. What is the (batch) gradient descent equation for this problem?

Initialize θ

for N iteration:

$$\theta \leftarrow \theta - \eta \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\log(\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a(x^{(i)}))) - o_{y^{(i)}}^a(x^{(i)})) \right)$$

12. We can compute the vector of the gradient of the empirical risk \hat{R} with respect to the parameters set θ this way

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \hat{R}}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \hat{R}}{\partial \theta_{n_\theta}} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)}{\partial \theta_{n_\theta}} \end{pmatrix}$$

This hints that we only need to know how to compute the gradient of the loss L with an example (\mathbf{x}, y) with respect to the parameters, defined as followed:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_{n_\theta}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, y)}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, y)}{\partial \theta_{n_\theta}} \end{pmatrix}$$

We shall use gradient backpropagation, starting with loss L and going to the output layer \mathbf{o} then down the hidden layer \mathbf{h} then finally at the input layer \mathbf{x} . Show that

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{o}^a} = \mathbf{o}^s - \text{onehot}_m(y)$$

For $k \neq y$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L(x, y)}{\partial o_k^a} &= \frac{\partial(\log(\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)) - o_y^a)}{\partial o_k^a} \\ &= \frac{\partial \log(\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a))}{\partial o_k^a} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)} \times \frac{\partial \sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)}{\partial o_k^a} \\ &= \frac{\exp(o_k^a)}{\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)} \\ &= o_k^s \end{aligned}$$

For y ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L(x, y)}{\partial o_y^a} &= \frac{\partial(\log(\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)) - o_y^a)}{\partial o_y^a} \\ &= \frac{\exp(o_y^a)}{\sum_{j=1}^m \exp(o_j^a)} - 1 \\ &= o_y^s - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L(x, y)}{\partial o^a} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_1^a} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_m^a} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} o_1^s \\ \vdots \\ o_y^s \\ \vdots \\ o_m^s \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= o^s - \text{onehot}_m(y)$$

13. Compute the gradients with respect to parameters $\mathbf{W}^{(2)}$ and $\mathbf{b}^{(2)}$ of the output layer. Since L depends on $\mathbf{W}_{kj}^{(2)}$ and $\mathbf{b}_k^{(2)}$ only through \mathbf{o}_k^a the result of the chain rule is:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{W}_{kj}^{(2)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a} \frac{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a}{\partial \mathbf{W}_{kj}^{(2)}}$$

and

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}_k^{(2)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a} \frac{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a}{\partial \mathbf{b}_k^{(2)}}$$

For $k \neq y$,

$$\frac{\partial L(x, y)}{\partial W_{kj}^{(2)}} = o_k^s \times \frac{\partial o_k^a}{\partial W_{kj}^{(2)}} = o_k^s \times \frac{\partial (b_k^{(2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{d_h} W_{ki}^{(2)} h_i^s)}{\partial W_{kj}^{(2)}} = o_k^s h_j^s$$

For $k = y$,

$$\frac{\partial L(x, y)}{\partial W_{kj}^{(2)}} = (o_y^s - 1) \times \frac{\partial o_y^a}{\partial W_{yj}^{(2)}} = (o_y^s - 1) h_j^s = o_y^s h_j^s - h_j^s$$

For $k \neq y$,

$$\frac{\partial L(x,y)}{\partial b_k^{(2)}} = o_k^s \times \frac{\partial(b_k^{(2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{d_h} W_{ki}^{(2)} h_i^s)}{\partial b_k^{(2)}} = o_k^s$$

For $k = y$,

$$\frac{\partial L(x,y)}{\partial b_k^{(2)}} = o_k^s - 1$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{(2)}} = \begin{pmatrix} o_1^s h_1^s & o_1^s h_2^s & \dots & o_1^s h_{d_h}^s \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ o_m^s h_1^s & o_m^s h_2^s & \dots & o_m^s h_{d_h}^s \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ h_1^s & h_2^s & \dots & h_{d_h}^s \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{line } y$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{(2)}} = \begin{pmatrix} o_1^s \\ \vdots \\ o_y^s \\ \vdots \\ o_m^s \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = o^s - \text{onehot}_m(y)$$

14. Write down the gradient of the last question in matrix form and define the dimensions of all matrix or vectors involved.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{(2)}} = o^s - \text{onehot}_m(y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{(2)}} &= o^s h^{s^T} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ h_1^s & h_2^s & \dots & h_{d_h}^s \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\
&= o^s h^{s^T} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1^s & h_2^s & \dots & h_{d_h}^s \end{pmatrix} \\
&= o^s h^{s^T} - \text{onehot}_m(y) h^{s^T}
\end{aligned}$$

$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{(2)}}$ is of dimension $m \times 1$
 $\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{(2)}}$ is $m \times d_h$

where o^s and $\text{onehot}_m(y)$ are of dimension $m \times 1$, h^s is $d_h \times 1$ and the matrix resulting from the outer product of $\text{onehot}_m(y)$ and h^s is $m \times d_h$

15. What is the partial derivative of the loss L with respect to the output of the neurons at the hidden layer? Since L depends on \mathbf{h}_j^s only through the activations of the output neurons \mathbf{o}^a the chain rule yields:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^s} = \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a} \frac{\partial \mathbf{o}_k^a}{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^s}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^s} &= \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_k^a} \frac{\partial o_k^a}{\partial h_j^s} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_k^a} \frac{\partial (b^{(2)} + \sum_{i=1}^{d_h} W_{ki}^{(2)} h_i^s)}{\partial h_j^s} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_k^a} W_{kj}^{(2)} \\
&= o_1^s W_{1j}^{(2)} + o_2^s W_{2j}^{(2)} + \dots + (o_y^s - 1) W_{yj}^{(2)} + \dots + o_m^s W_{mj}^{(2)} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kj}^{(2)} - W_{yj}^{(2)}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{k1}^{(2)} - W_{y1}^{(2)} \\ \sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{k2}^{(2)} - W_{y2}^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kd_h}^{(2)} - W_{yd_h}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

16. Write down the gradient of the last question in matrix form and define the dimensions of all matrix or vectors involved.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s} = W^{(2)T} o^s - (\text{onehot}_m(y)^T W^{(2)})^T$$

where

$\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s}$ is of dimensions $d_h \times 1$

$W^{(2)T}$ is $d_h \times m$

o^s is $m \times 1$

$\text{onehot}_m(y)^T$ is $1 \times m$

$(\text{onehot}_m(y)^T W^{(2)})^T$ is $d_h \times 1$

17. What is the partial derivative of the loss L with respect to the activation of the neurons at the hidden layer? Since L depends on the

activation \mathbf{h}_j^a only through \mathbf{h}_j^s of this neuron, the chain rule gives:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^a} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^s} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^s}{\partial \mathbf{h}_j^a}$$

Note $\mathbf{h}_j^s = \text{LeakyReLU}_\alpha(\mathbf{h}_j^a)$: the leaky rectifier function is applied element-wise. Start by writing the derivative of the rectifier function $\frac{\partial \text{LeakyReLU}_\alpha(z)}{\partial z} = \text{LeakyReLU}_\alpha'(z) = \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \text{LeakyReLU}_\alpha(z)}{\partial z} &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z \geq 0 \\ \alpha & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ &= \mathbb{1}_{\{z \geq 0\}}(z) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{z < 0\}}(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^s} \times \frac{\partial h_j^s}{\partial h_j^a} \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kj}^{(2)} - W_{yj}^{(2)} \right) \frac{\partial(\text{LeakyReLU}_\alpha(h_j^a))}{\partial h_j^a} \\ &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kj}^{(2)} - W_{yj}^{(2)} \right) (\mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a \geq 0\}}(h_j^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a < 0\}}(h_j^a)) \end{aligned}$$

therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a} = \begin{pmatrix} (\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{k1}^{(2)} - W_{y1}^{(2)}) (\mathbb{1}_{\{h_1^a \geq 0\}}(h_1^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_1^a < 0\}}(h_1^a)) \\ \vdots \\ (\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kd_h}^{(2)} - W_{yd_h}^{(2)}) (\mathbb{1}_{\{h_{d_h}^a \geq 0\}}(h_{d_h}^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_{d_h}^a < 0\}}(h_{d_h}^a)) \end{pmatrix}$$

18. Write down the gradient of the last question in matrix form and define the dimensions of all matrix or vectors involved.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s} \odot \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1}_{\{h_1^a \geq 0\}}(h_1^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_1^a < 0\}}(h_1^a) & \dots \\ \mathbb{1}_{\{h_{d_h}^a \geq 0\}}(h_{d_h}^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_{d_h}^a < 0\}}(h_{d_h}^a) & \dots \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s} \odot (\mathbb{1}_{\{h^a \geq 0\}}(h^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h^a < 0\}}(h^a))
\end{aligned}$$

where $\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a}$, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^s}$ and the indicator vectors are $d_h \times 1$

19. What is the gradient with respect to the parameters $\mathbf{W}^{(1)}$ and $\mathbf{b}^{(1)}$ of the hidden layer?

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial W_{jl}^{(1)}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \frac{\partial h_j^a}{\partial W_{jl}^{(1)}} \\
&= \left(\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kj}^{(2)} - W_{yj}^{(2)} \right) (\mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a \geq 0\}}(h_j^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a < 0\}}(h_j^a)) \times \frac{\partial(b_j^{(1)} + \sum_{i=1}^d W_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)}{\partial W_{jl}^{(1)}} \\
&= \left(\sum_{k=1}^m o_k^s W_{kj}^{(2)} - W_{yj}^{(2)} \right) (\mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a \geq 0\}}(h_j^a) + \alpha \mathbb{1}_{\{h_j^a < 0\}}(h_j^a)) \times x_l \\
&= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \times x_l
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_j^{(1)}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \times \frac{\partial h_j^a}{\partial b_j^{(1)}} \\
&= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \times 1 \\
&= \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{W}^{(1)}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_1^a} x_1 & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_1^a} x_2 & \dots & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_1^a} x_d \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_2^a} x_1 & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_2^a} x_2 & \dots & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_2^a} x_d \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_{d_h}^a} x_1 & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_{d_h}^a} x_2 & \dots & \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_{d_h}^a} x_d \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a}$$

20. Write down the gradient of the last question in matrix form and define the dimensions of all matrix or vectors involved.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a}$$

with dimensions $d_h \times 1$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a} \times x^T$$

with dimensions $d_h \times d$ since $\frac{\partial L}{\partial h^a}$ is $d_h \times 1$ and x^T is $1 \times d$

21. What are the partial derivatives of the loss L with respect to \mathbf{x} ?

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_l} &= \sum_{j=1}^{d_h} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \frac{\partial h_j^a}{\partial x_l} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{d_h} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \frac{\partial (b_j^{(1)} + \sum_{i=1}^d W_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)}{\partial x_l} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{d_h} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} W_{jl}^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^{d_h} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \times W_{j1}^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^{d_h} \frac{\partial L}{\partial h_j^a} \times W_{jd}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}$$

22. Consider the regularized empirical risk : $\tilde{R} = \hat{R} + \mathcal{L}(\theta)$, where θ is the vector of all the parameters in the network and $\mathcal{L}(\theta)$ describes a scalar penalty as a function of the parameters θ . The penalty is given importance according to a prior preferences for the values of θ . The L_2 (quadratic) regularization that penalizes the square norm (norm L_2) of the weights (but not the biases) is more standard, is used in ridge regression and is sometimes called "weight-decay". Here we shall consider a double regularization L_2 and L_1 which is sometimes named "elastic net" and we will use different hyperparameters (positive scalars $\lambda_{11}, \lambda_{12}, \lambda_{21}, \lambda_{22}$) to control the effect of the regularization at each layer

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}(\theta) &= \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{W}^{(1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(1)}, \mathbf{W}^{(2)}, \mathbf{b}^{(2)}) \\
&= \lambda_{11} \|\mathbf{W}^{(1)}\|_1 + \lambda_{12} \|\mathbf{W}^{(1)}\|_2^2 + \lambda_{21} \|\mathbf{W}^{(2)}\|_1 + \lambda_{22} \|\mathbf{W}^{(2)}\|_2^2 \\
&= \lambda_{11} \left(\sum_{i,j} |\mathbf{W}_{ij}^{(1)}| \right) + \lambda_{12} \left(\sum_{i,j} (\mathbf{W}_{ij}^{(1)})^2 \right) + \lambda_{21} \left(\sum_{i,j} |\mathbf{W}_{ij}^{(2)}| \right) \\
&\quad + \lambda_{22} \left(\sum_{i,j} (\mathbf{W}_{ij}^{(2)})^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

We will in fact minimize the regularized risk \tilde{R} instead of \hat{R} . How does this change the gradient with respect to the different parameters?

$b^{(1)}$ and $b^{(2)}$ are essentially identical, where,

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta)}{\partial b^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta)}{\partial b^{(2)}} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta)}{\partial W^{(1)}} &= \lambda_{11} \begin{pmatrix} \text{sign}(W_{11}^{(1)}) & \text{sign}(W_{12}^{(1)}) & \dots & \text{sign}(W_{1d}^{(1)}) \\ \text{sign}(W_{21}^{(1)}) & & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ \text{sign}(W_{d_h1}^{(1)}) & \text{sign}(W_{d_h2}^{(1)}) & \dots & \text{sign}(W_{d_hd}^{(1)}) \end{pmatrix} \\
&+ \lambda_{12} \begin{pmatrix} 2W_{11}^{(1)} & 2W_{12}^{(1)} & \dots & 2W_{1d}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ 2W_{d_h1}^{(1)} & 2W_{d_h2}^{(1)} & \dots & 2W_{d_hd}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \lambda_{11} \text{sign}(W^{(1)}) + 2\lambda_{12} W^{(1)}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore,

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{R}}{\partial W^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial \hat{R}}{\partial W^{(1)}} + \lambda_{11} \text{sign}(W^{(1)}) + 2\lambda_{12}W^{(1)}$$

and similarly

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{R}}{\partial W^{(2)}} = \frac{\partial \hat{R}}{\partial W^{(2)}} + \lambda_{21} \text{sign}(W^{(2)}) + 2\lambda_{22}W^{(2)}$$

2 Training on the CIFAR-10 dataset

Train a neural network with 2 hidden layers, of size 512 and 256 respectively on the CIFAR-10 dataset, for 50 epochs. Use a learning rate of 0.003, and a batch size of 100. Use the RELU activation function with random seed set to 0.

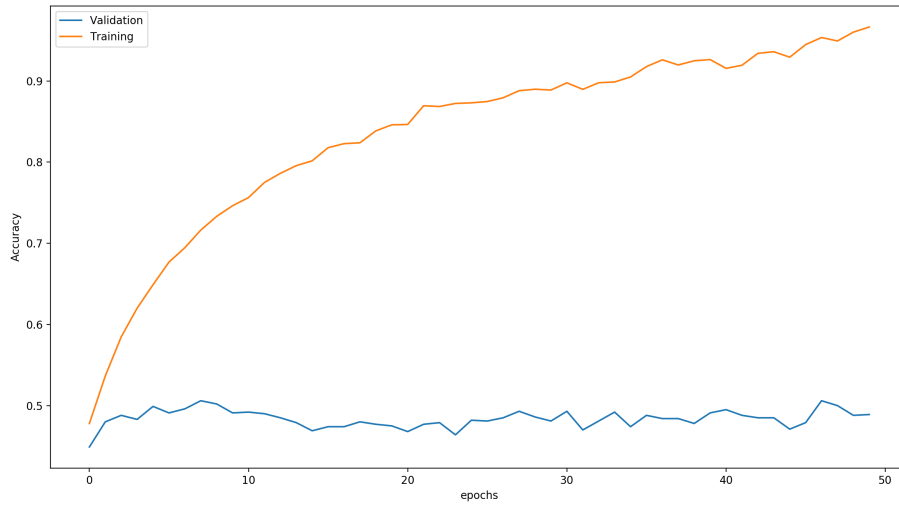


Figure 1: Evolution of both the training and validation accuracies during training

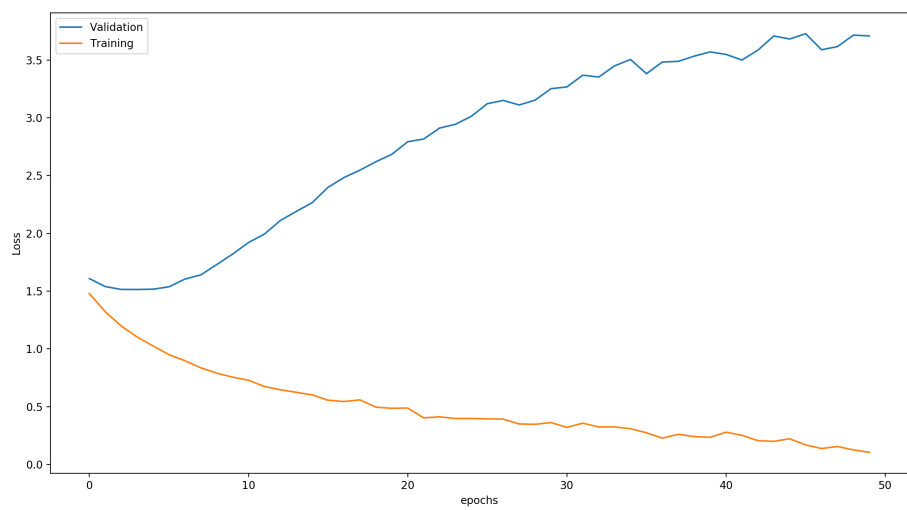


Figure 2: Evolution of both the training and validation losses during training