Report of Task1

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In this task we design a simple MLP to solve a regression task.

Problem Definition: The problem is defined as fitting a function using a statistic model. The targetted function is simply $f_0(x)=x^3$, but we would inject noises into the model, so the actual function our model can access is $f(x)=x^3+N$ where N is the noise term.

In this task we assume $N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ is a Gaussian, while σ is to be determined.

Solution and Performance: We use a simple *multi-layer perceptron* (MLP) with the architecture shown in Fig.1. ReLU is used for activation.

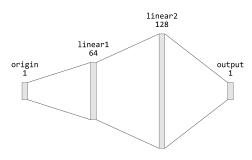


Figure 1. Architecture of MLP

In training, we use jt.nn.SGD as our optimizer, with learning rate 10^{-3} and weight decay of 10^{-4} . We train multiple models under different values of σ and demonstrate their performances. From Fig.2 it is displayed that the MLP as a statistic model is very robust to noises. Even if the σ was as high as 20, almost eliminating any obvious relationships between x and f(x), the MLP succeeded in minimizing the mean square error, and depicts a rough trail of f(x) with respect to x.

Since this task is simply a preparation for later tasks, we would like to stop early here. I got familiar with the process of training a neural network using jittor, which was a great gain.

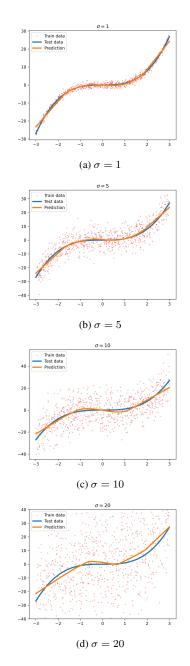


Figure 2. Performances under different σ values.