

Machine Learning Exercise Sheet 10

Deep Learning II

Homework

Problem 1: You are trying to solve a regression task and you want to choose between two approaches:

1. A simple linear regression model.
2. A feed forward neural network $f_{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x})$ with L hidden layers, where each hidden layer $l \in \{1, \dots, L\}$ has a weight matrix $\mathbf{W}_l \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$ and a ReLU activation function. The output layer has a weight matrix $\mathbf{W}_{L+1} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times 1}$ and no activation function.

In both models, there are no bias terms.

Your dataset \mathcal{D} contains data points with nonnegative features \mathbf{x}_i and the target y_i is continuous:

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^N, \quad \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^D, \quad y_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let $\mathbf{w}_{LS}^* \in \mathbb{R}^D$ be the optimal weights for the linear regression model corresponding to a *global* minimum of the following least squares optimization problem:

$$\mathbf{w}_{LS}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^D} \mathcal{L}_{LS}(\mathbf{w}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^D} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i - y_i)^2$$

Let $\mathbf{W}_{NN}^* = \{\mathbf{W}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{W}_{L+1}^*\}$ be the optimal weights for the neural network corresponding to a *global* minimum of the following optimization problem:

$$\mathbf{W}_{NN}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{W}} \mathcal{L}_{NN}(\mathbf{W}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{W}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (f_{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

- a) Assume that the optimal \mathbf{W}_{NN}^* you obtain are non-negative.
What will the relation ($<$, \leq , $=$, \geq , $>$) between the neural network loss $\mathcal{L}_{NN}(\mathbf{W}_{NN}^*)$ and the linear regression loss $\mathcal{L}_{LS}(\mathbf{w}_{LS}^*)$ be? Provide a mathematical argument to justify your answer.
- b) In contrast to (a), now assume that the optimal weights \mathbf{w}_{LS}^* you obtain are non-negative.
What will the relation ($<$, \leq , $=$, \geq , $>$) between the linear regression loss $\mathcal{L}_{LS}(\mathbf{w}_{LS}^*)$ and the neural network loss $\mathcal{L}_{NN}(\mathbf{W}_{NN}^*)$ be? Provide a mathematical argument to justify your answer.

Problem 2: Download the notebook `exercise_10_notebook.ipynb` from Piazza. Fill in the missing code and run the notebook. Convert the evaluated notebook to pdf and add it to the printout of your homework.

This week's programming assignment is closely related to the contents of the in-class exercises. Make sure that you have a look at the in-class exercises before starting to work on the homework task.

Upload a single PDF file with your homework solution to Moodle by 05.01.2019, 23:59 CET. We recommend to typeset your solution (using L^AT_EX or Word), but handwritten solutions are also accepted. If your handwritten solution is illegible, it won't be graded and you waive your right to dispute that.

In-class Exercises

Problem 3: See notebook `exercise_10_pytorch.ipynb` on Piazza.