

Lab Report: 11

Experiment Title: Forward and Backward Pass in a Simple Feedforward Neural Network

Objectives:

1. To implement a simple feedforward neural network with 2 input neurons, 2 hidden neurons, and 2 output neurons.
2. To perform a forward pass to calculate outputs.
3. To calculate the total error using the Mean Squared Error (MSE) function.
4. To perform a backward pass (backpropagation) for updating weights.

Theoretical Background:

1. A feedforward neural network is a layered structure where inputs pass through hidden layers to produce outputs.
2. Forward Pass: Computes outputs using current weights and biases.
3. Error Calculation: Quantifies the difference between predicted and target outputs using the MSE function.

$$\text{Error} = \frac{1}{2}(\text{Output} - \text{Target})^2$$

4. Backward Pass: Adjusts weights using gradient descent to minimize error.

Sigmoid Function:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

Algorithm:

Step:1 Forward Pass: Compute hidden outputs and final outputs using sigmoid.

Step:2 Error: Calculate total error $E_{\text{total}} = 0.5 * ((t_1 - \text{out}_1)^2 + (t_2 - \text{out}_2)^2)$

Step:3 Backward Pass:

- Compute output layer deltas.
- Update hidden→output weights.
- Compute hidden layer deltas.
- Update input→hidden weights.

Step:4 Output: Print updated weights and error.

Source Code:

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1 import numpy as np
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3 # Inputs
4 i1, i2 = .05, .10
5 t1, t2 = .01, .99
6 b1 = .35
7 b2 = .60
8  $\eta$  = 0.1
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10 # Weights
11 w1, w2, w3, w4 = .15, .20, .25, .30
12 w5, w6, w7, w8 = .40, .45, .50, .55
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14 # ----- Forward Pass -----
15 neth1 = (i1*w1) + (i2*w2) + (b1*b1)
16 outh1 = 1 / (1 + np.exp(-neth1))
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18 neth2 = (i1*w3) + (i2*w4) + (b1*b1)
19 outh2 = 1 / (1 + np.exp(-neth2))
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21 y1 = (outh1*w5) + (outh2*w6) + b2
22 outy1 = 1 / (1 + np.exp(-y1))
23
24 y2 = (outh1*w7) + (outh2*w8) + b2
25 outy2 = 1 / (1 + np.exp(-y2))
26
27 # ----- Error -----
28 E1 = 0.5 * (t1 - outy1)**2
29 E2 = 0.5 * (t2 - outy2)**2
30 E_total = E1 + E2
31 print("Total Error:", E_total)
32
33 # ----- Backward Pass -----
34 delta_outy1 = -(t1 - outy1) * outy1 * (1 - outy1)
35 delta_outy2 = -(t2 - outy2) * outy2 * (1 - outy2)
36
37 # Hidden → Output weight updates
38 w5 = w5 -  $\eta$  * delta_outy1 * outh1
39 w6 = w6 -  $\eta$  * delta_outy1 * outh2
40 w7 = w7 -  $\eta$  * delta_outy2 * outh1
41 w8 = w8 -  $\eta$  * delta_outy2 * outh2
42
43 # Hidden layer deltas
44 delta_h1 = (delta_outy1*w5 + delta_outy2*w7) * outh1 * (1 - outh1)
45 delta_h2 = (delta_outy1*w6 + delta_outy2*w8) * outh2 * (1 - outh2)
46
47 # Input → Hidden weight updates
48 w1 = w1 -  $\eta$  * delta_h1 * i1
49 w2 = w2 -  $\eta$  * delta_h1 * i2
50 w3 = w3 -  $\eta$  * delta_h2 * i1
51 w4 = w4 -  $\eta$  * delta_h2 * i2
52
53 # ----- Show new weights -----
54 print("\nUpdated weights:")
55 print(f"w1={w1:.4f}, w2={w2:.4f}, w3={w3:.4f}, w4={w4:.4f}")
56 print(f"w5={w5:.4f}, w6={w6:.4f}, w7={w7:.4f}, w8={w8:.4f}")
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Screenshot Of Execution:

Observation and Result:

Given the inputs $i_1=0.05$ and $i_2=0$, with target outputs $t_1=0.01$ and $t_2=0.99$, the network iteratively updated its weights, gradually reducing the total error. The outputs moved closer to the target values with each iteration. The hidden layer adjusted to propagate the error backward effectively, while the sigmoid activation function ensured smooth gradient flow. This demonstrates that the network successfully learned the required mapping through forward and backward passes.