

# Short HW5 – Generative models and Deep learning

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Submitted individually by Wednesday, 25.01, at 23:59.

You may answer in Hebrew or English and write on a computer or by hand (but be clear).

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**Bonus** (maximal grade is 100): Writing on a computer (using LyX/LaTeX, Word + Equation tool, etc.) = 3 pts.

1. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_{10}$  be random variables sampled i.i.d. from a continuous uniform distribution on the interval  $[0, \theta]$  for an unknown  $\theta > 0$ . We denote the instantiations of these variables by  $x_1, \dots, x_{10}$ .
  - 1.1. Write the pdf of an observation  $f(X_i = x)$ .
  - 1.2. Derive (in English) the likelihood function  $L(x_1, \dots, x_{10}; \theta) = \Pr(x_1, \dots, x_{10}; \theta)$ .
  - 1.3. Differentiate the likelihood function. What  $\hat{\theta}$  holds  $\frac{dL(x_1, \dots, x_{10}; \theta)}{d\theta} = 0$ ?
  - 1.4. Using 1.2, plot the log-likelihood function  $\log L(x_1, \dots, x_{10}; \theta)$  in the interval  $(0, 100)$  and attach the plot to your report (you can use <https://www.desmos.com/calculator> for quick plotting).
  - 1.5. Using all the above, conclude what is the MLE estimator  $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$ , i.e., the estimator that maximizes the likelihood. Explain your answer briefly.
2. Consider a trained fully connected neural network with  $L$  linear layers.

Denote the function of the network by  $F_{\Theta}: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\Theta = \left( \underbrace{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{d \times p}}, \underbrace{\mathbf{W}^{(2)}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}}, \dots, \underbrace{\mathbf{W}^{(L-1)}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}}, \underbrace{\mathbf{W}^{(L)}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^p} \right)$  is the set of all weights and no biases (we follow the notations from Tutorial 12).

As an activation function, we use the ReLU function  $\sigma(z) = \max\{0, z\}$ .

The network's output is given by:

$$F_{\Theta}(x) = \mathbf{w}^{(L)\top} \mathbf{h}^{(L-1)}(x),$$

where we recursively define the hidden layers:  $\mathbf{h}^{(1)}(x) = \sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(1)\top} x)$ ,  $\mathbf{h}^{(\ell)}(x) = \sigma(\mathbf{W}^{(\ell)\top} \mathbf{h}^{(\ell-1)}(x))$ .

We now scale all weights in  $\Theta$  by a factor of  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ .

Notice: The ReLU function is positive-homogeneous in the sense that  $\sigma(\alpha \cdot z) = \alpha \cdot \sigma(z)$ .

- 2.1. Show that the new output function holds  $F_{\alpha \cdot \Theta}(x) = c \cdot F_{\Theta}(x)$  for some scalar  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

You need to prove your answer briefly. No need to be rigorous (don't use induction).

In your answer, find an appropriate  $c$  value for which this statement holds.

We wish the model to output a probability. As seen in Lecture 09 (for logistic regression), we can apply the sigmoid function to  $F_{\Theta}$ . That is, the model's output will be:  $\frac{1}{1 + \exp\{-F_{\alpha \cdot \Theta}(x)\}}$ .

- 2.2. For  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ , to which probability does the output converge?

Think (don't include in your answers): For  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ , to which probability does the output converge?