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**Batch Normalization** 

**Feature Scaling for Linear Models** 

# Why Feature Scaling?

#### People's feature vectors: $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

- The 1<sup>st</sup> dimension is one person's income (in dollars).
  - Assume it is randomly from the Gaussian distribution  $N(3000, 400^2)$ .
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> dimension is one person's height (in inch).
  - Assume it is randomly from the Gaussian distribution  $N(69, 3^2)$ .
- Hessian matrix of least squares regression model:

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} 9137.3 & 206.6 \\ 206.6 & 4.8 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^3.$$

• Condition number:  $\frac{\lambda_{\text{max}}(H)}{\lambda_{\text{max}}(H)} = 9.2 \times 10^4$ .

Bad condition number means slow convergence of gradient descent!

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  - Assume it is randomly from the Gaussian distribution  $N(5.75, 0.25^2)$ .
- Change metric.
- Hessian matrix of linear regression:

$$\mathbf{H} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} 9.1 & 17.2 \\ 17.2 & 33.1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

• Condition number:  $\frac{\lambda_{\max}(H)}{\lambda_{\min}(H)} = 281.7$ .

#### **Feature Scaling for 1D Data**

Assume the samples  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are one-dimensional.

- Min-max normalization:  $x_i' = \frac{x_i \min(x_i)}{\max(x_i) \min(x_i)}$ .
- The samples  $x'_1, \dots, x'_n$  are in [0, 1]; zero and one are attained.
- Standardization:  $x_i' = \frac{x_i \widehat{\mu}}{\widehat{\sigma}}$ .
  - $\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$  is the sample mean.
  - $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \hat{\mu})^2$  is the sample variance.

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- Perform feature scaling for every feature independently.
  - E.g., when scaling the "height" feature, ignore the "income" feature.

```
# Min-Max Normalization
import numpy

d = x.shape[1]
xmin = numpy.min(x, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
xmax = numpy.max(x, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
xnew = (x - xmin) / (xmax - xmin)
```

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```
# Standardization
import numpy

d = x.shape[1]
mu = numpy.mean(x, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
sig = numpy.std(x, axis=0).reshape(1, d)
xnew = (x - mu) / sig
```

**Batch Normalization** 

## **Batch Normalization:** Standardization of Hidden Layers

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#### Batch Normalization: Standardization of Hidden Layers

- Let  $\mathbf{x}^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  be the output of the k-th hidden layer.
- $\hat{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ : Non-trainable. Just record them in the forward pass;
- $\hat{\sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ : use them in the backpropagation.
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 to update  $\gamma_j$ ;  
• Use  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta_k} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^{(k+1)}} \frac{\partial x^{(k+1)}}{\partial \beta_k} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^{(k+1)}}$  to update  $\beta_j$ .

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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x^{(k)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z^{(k)}} \frac{\partial z^{(k)}}{\partial x^{(k)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z^{(k)}} \frac{1}{\partial z^{(k)}}$$
 and pass it to the lower layers.

**Batch Normalization Layer in Keras** 

#### **Batch Normalization Layer**

- Let  $\mathbf{x}^{(k)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  be the output of the k-th hidden layer.
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**Difficulty:** There are 4d parameters which must be stored in memory. d can be very large!

#### Example:

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- The number of parameters in a single Batch Normalization Layer would be 4d = 1.44M.

## **Batch Normalization Layer**

#### **Solution:**

- Make the 4 parameters  $1\times1\times64$ , instead of  $150\times150\times64$ .
- How?
- A scalar parameter for a slice (e.g., a  $150 \times 150$  matrix) of the tensor.
- Of course, you can make the parameters  $150 \times 1 \times 1$  or  $1 \times 150 \times 1$ .

 $\alpha$  can be very large!

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```
from keras import models
from keras import layers
model = models.Sequential()
model.add(layers.Conv2D(10, (5, 5), input shape=(28, 28, 1)))
model.add(layers.BatchNormalization())
model.add(layers.Activation('relu'))
model.add(layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)))
model.add(layers.Conv2D(20, (5, 5)))
model.add(layers.BatchNormalization())
model.add(lavers.Activation('relu'))
model.add(layers.MaxPooling2D((2, 2)))
model.add(layers.Flatten())
model.add(layers.Dense(100))
model.add(lavers.BatchNormalization())
model.add(layers.Activation('relu'))
model.add(layers.Dense(10, activation='softmax'))
```

Layer (type)	Output	Shape	Param #
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None,	24, 24, 10)	260
batch_normalization_1 (Batch	(None,	24, 24, 10)	40
activation_1 (Activation)	(None,	24, 24, 10)	0
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2	(None,	12, 12, 10)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None,	8, 8, 20)	5020
batch_normalization_2 (Batch	(None,	8, 8, 20)	80
activation_2 (Activation)	(None,	8, 8, 20)	0
max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling2	(None,	4, 4, 20)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None,	320)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None,	100)	32100
batch_normalization_3 (Batch	(None,	100)	400
activation_3 (Activation)	(None,	100)	0
dense_2 (Dense)	(None,	10)	1010
Total params: 38,910 Trainable params: 38,650			

Non-trainable params: 38,650

Train the model (with Batch Normalization) on MNIST (n = 50,000).

Train the model (without Batch Normalization) on MNIST (n = 50,000).

