Report for CSE 474/574 Introduction to Machine Learning Programming Assignment 1 Handwritten Digits Classification

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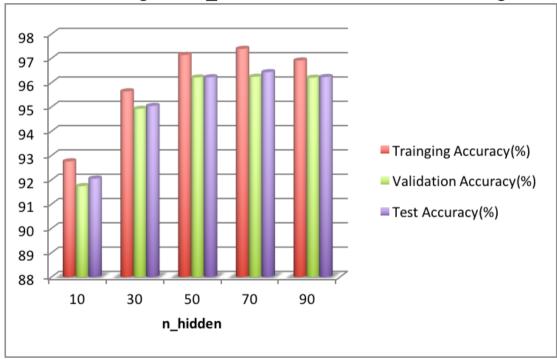
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1. How to choose hyper-parameter: *number of hidden units*

In this program, 5 different *n_hidden* which are 10, 30, 50, 70, 90 were tested when keeping *iterations* and *lambdaval* unchanged (*lambdaval*=0.6). We set *iterations*=100 because it was found we were underfitting the model when iterations=50.

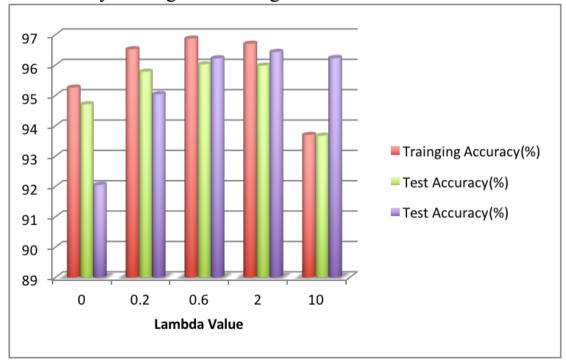
It is found that n_hidden=50 is the best, n_hidden less than 50 is underfitting, and n_hidden more than 50 is overfitting.





2. How to choose hyper-parameter: *regularization term lambdaval*

We tested 5 different lambdaval which are 0.0, 0.6, 0.2, 2.0, 10 when keeping n_hidden (n_hidden=50) unchanged. It is found that lambdaval=0.6 is the best given it has the best accuracy and a good training time.





3. Classification accuracy on handwritten digits test data:

When choosing the following parameters (n_hidden=50, lambdaval=0.6, iterations=100), we got the following results:

Training accuracy: 97.39% Validation accuracy: 96.24%

Test accuracy: 96.43

We think this is the best combination, because test accuracy is the most important for us.

preprocess done.

Trainging...

Training done.

Final loss: 0.03461201844005686

Training set Accuracy:97.394%

Validation set Accuracy:96.24%

Test set Accuracy:96.43%

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