Assignment 3

Decision Trees and Neural Networks

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1 Question 1

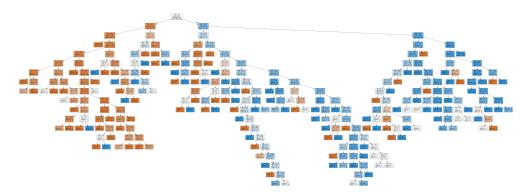
The libraries used for this question are: nltk, scipy, sklearn, xgboost, lightgbm, matplotlib, pandas, numpy, math and sys.

1.1 Dataset 1

a) Here are the results:

Results for Part a: Training Accuracy is: 92.32456 Validation Accuracy is: 76.03306 Test Accuracy is: 69.56522

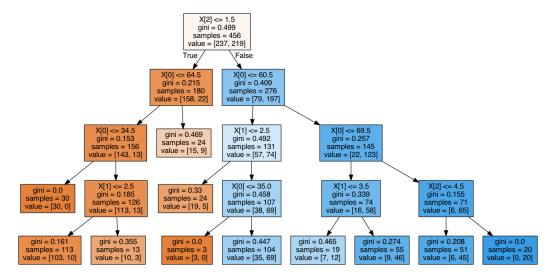
Here is the tree:



b) Here are the results:

Results for Part b: Training Accuracy is: 81.93669 Validation Accuracy is: 85.92593 Test Accuracy is: 77.08333

Here is the tree:

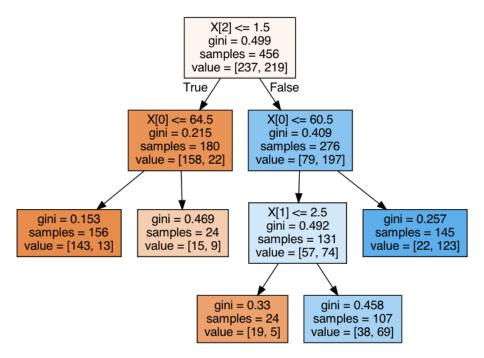


The major difference was that the size of the tree greatly reduced. In part a, the tree was huge, but in part b it very small. This effect was due to regularisation. The earlier model was overfitting the training data, but when we gave the parameters "max-depth", "min-samples-split" and "min-samples-leaf" some specific values, the overfitting reduced, and became a well-fit model.

c) The 4 plots have been saved in the folder Plots. The validation split was used to determine the best value of ccp_alpha. Here are the results:

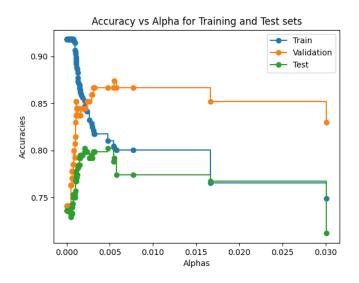
Results for Part c: Training Accuracy is: 80.92105 Validation Accuracy is: 89.2562 Test Accuracy is: 75.88933 Best Alpha = 0.00737

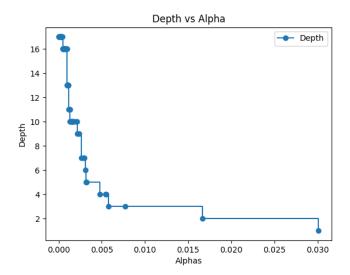
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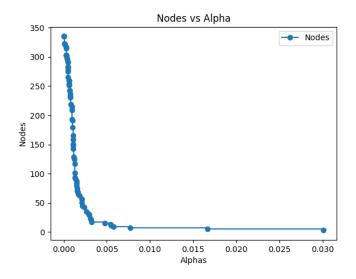


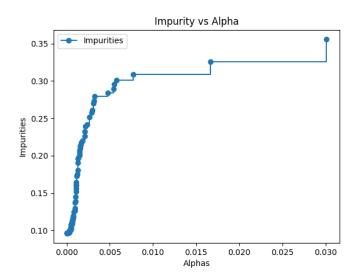
The trees in part a) and c) vary greatly in size, because a overfits the training data and c is a well-fit model, but the trees in parts b) and c) are quite small, so they regularise the model a lot. The tree in part c is the smallest one of all, it has just 9 nodes in total.

Here are the four graphs:









d) Here are the results:

Results for Part d: Training Accuracy is: 79.14339 Validation Accuracy is: 80.74074 Test Accuracy is: 75.69444 Out of bag Accuracy: 73.37058

e) Here are the results:

Results for 'mean' aggregate function: Results for Part a: Training Accuracy is: 93.29609 Validation Accuracy is: 76.2963 Test Accuracy is: 70.48611

Results for Part b: Training Accuracy is: 81.93669 Validation Accuracy is: 86.66667 Test Accuracy is: 79.16667

Results for Part c: Training Accuracy is: 81.19181 Validation Accuracy is: 88.14815 Test Accuracy is: 79.16667 Best Alpha = 0.00381

Results for Part d: Training Accuracy is: 79.14339 Validation Accuracy is: 80.74074 Test Accuracy is: 75.69444 Out of bag Accuracy: 73.37058

Results for 'median' aggregate function: Results for Part a: Training Accuracy is: 91.80633 Validation Accuracy is: 74.07407 Test Accuracy is: 73.61111

Results for Part b: Training Accuracy is: 81.37803 Validation Accuracy is: 86.66667 Test Accuracy is: 80.55556

Results for Part c: Training Accuracy is: 80.26071 Validation Accuracy is: 87.40741 Test Accuracy is: 79.16667 Best Alpha = 0.00552

Results for Part d: Training Accuracy is: 79.51583 Validation Accuracy is: 85.92593 Test Accuracy is: 78.47222 Out of bag Accuracy: 77.46741

My observation is, when using the mean aggregate function, the training accuracies tend to be better, but when using the median aggregate function, the test accuracies are better. Therefore, the more generalisable metric is to use the median as the aggregate function.

f) Here are the results:

Results for Part f: Training Accuracy is: 80.81937 Validation Accuracy is: 85.92593 Test Accuracy is: 78.81944

1.2 Dataset 2

a) Here are the results:

Results for Part a: Training Accuracy is: 100.0 Validation Accuracy is: 58.10618 Test Accuracy is: 57.80233

b) Here are the results:

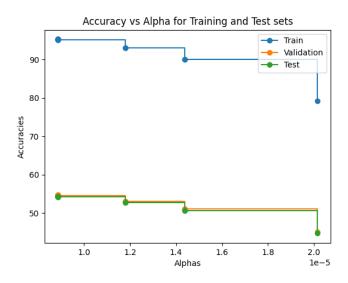
Results for Part b: Training Accuracy is: 47.07461 Validation Accuracy is: 36.64883 Test Accuracy is: 36.29803

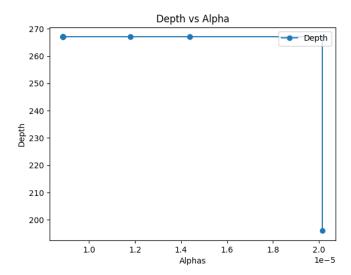
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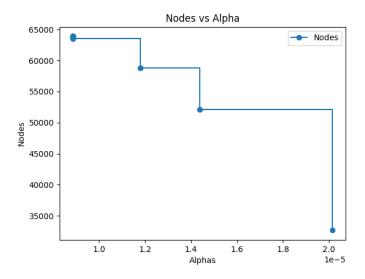
Results for Part c: Training Accuracy is: 95.09158 Validation Accuracy is: 54.59712 Test Accuracy is: 54.19782 Best Alpha = 1e-05

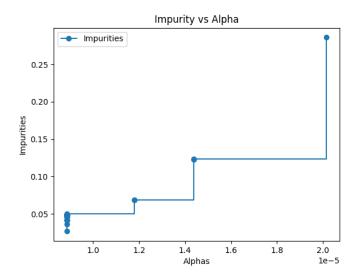
Since the dataset was too big, I used the Golden Search Method to find the optimal alpha.

Here are the four graphs:









d) Here are the results:

Results for Part d: Training Accuracy is: 31.61246 Validation Accuracy is: 31.61049 Test Accuracy is: 31.64825 Out of bag Accuracy: 31.61246

e) Here are the results:

Results for Part e: Training Accuracy is: 100.0 Validation Accuracy is: 65.10777 Test Accuracy is: 65.20106

f) Here are the results:

Results for Part f: Training Accuracy is: 40.85 Validation Accuracy is: 38.30 Test Accuracy is: 38.14

Running time for parts -

- (a) Part a 97.17 seconds
- (b) Part b 6924 seconds
- (c) Part c 3561.5 seconds
- (d) Part d 25147 seconds
- (e) Part e 135176 seconds
- (f) Part f 258 seconds
- g) The running time for part g was too much, it did not complete its run. I have written the code and submitted it.

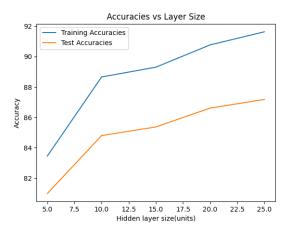
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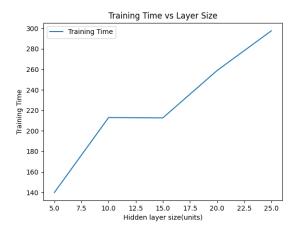
The libraries used for this part are: sklearn, matplotlib, numpy, pandas and sys.

- a) There are no results to show for part A. The neural network architecture for generalised parameters was built in this part.
- b) The 5 confusion matrices for each of the hidden units value have been stored in a folder named 'ConfusionMatrices'. The relevant images for this part are those with Part b in their names.

The Stopping Criterion is: When the difference between 2 consecutive cost function values is lesser than 1e-9.

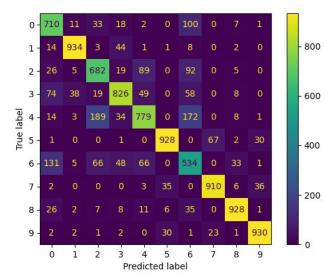
The graphs plotting the Accuracies vs Layer Size and Training Times vs Layer Size are as shown below.

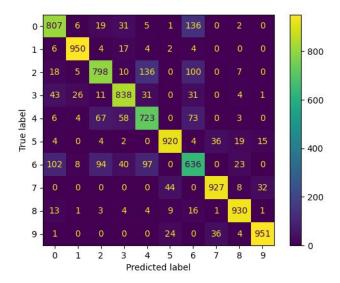


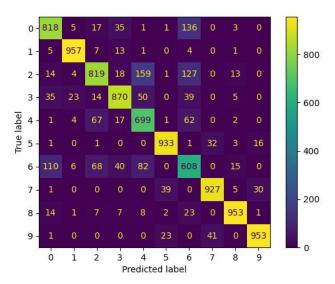


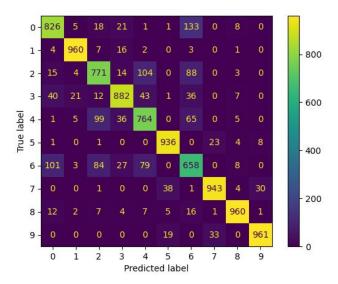
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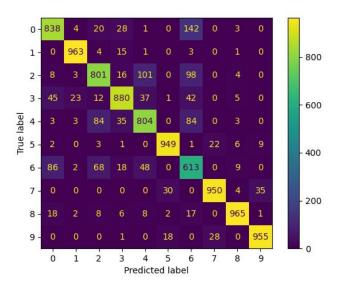
Here are the 5 confusion matrices, for number of hidden units = 5,10,15,20,25 respectively:





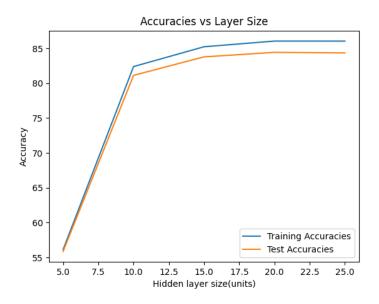


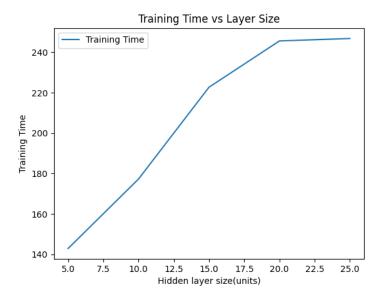




c) The training time actually became slower on the implementation of an adaptive learning rate. The Stopping Criterion is: When the difference between 2 consecutive cost function values is lesser than 1e-9.

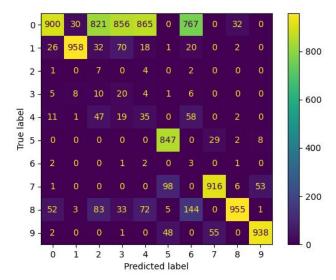
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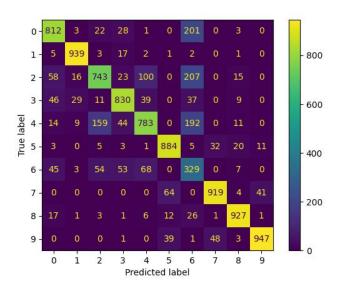


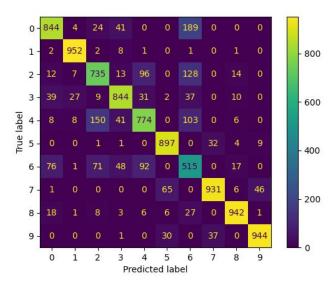


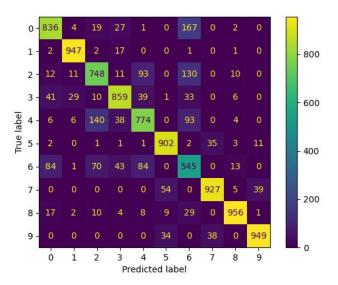
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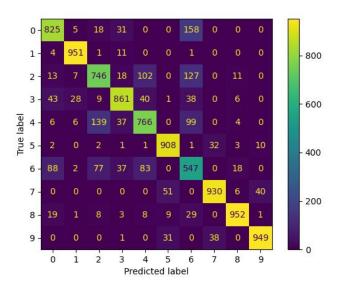
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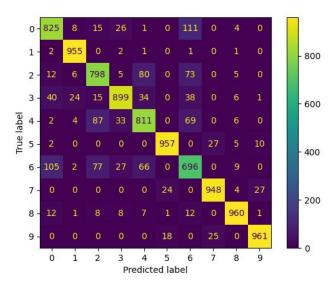


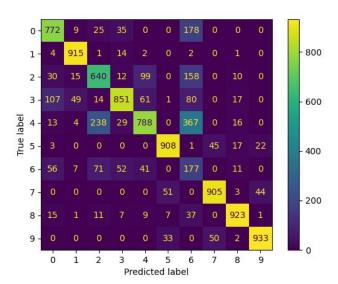


- d) The Accuracies of the architecture using Relu activation are: 92.45%(Training) and 88.22%(Test)
 - The Accuracies of the architecture using Sigmoid activation are: 79.18%(Training) and 78.12%(Test)

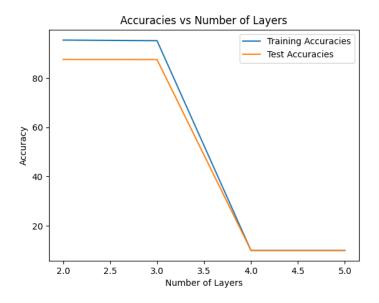
The Relu activation works way better, and it was expected too, because of the vanishing gradient of the sigmoid at higher values.

Here are the Confusion Matrices in the order: Relu, Sigmoid:

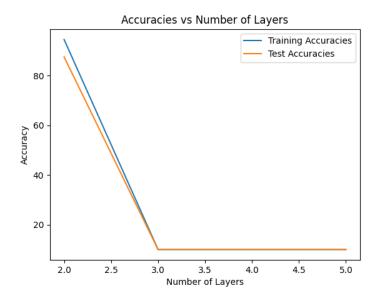




- e) The best architecture turned out to be the one with Relu activation and 2 layers. It gave the highest training and test accuracies. Although the difference from the results of layer size = 3 was not significant, the former performed marginally better. Therefore, this is the architecture I shall use in parts f and g (layer size = 2).
 - Graph of Accuracies vs Layers for Relu Activation



• Graph of Accuracies vs Layers for Sigmoid Activation



f) • Derivative for BCE with respect to the output of each neuron in the last layer $\frac{dJ}{dO_L} = -\frac{y}{O_L} + \frac{1-y}{1-O_L}.$

Now, this is multiplied with the derivative of the sigmoid function, i.e. $O_L*(1-O_L)$. After this multiplication, it simplifies to $-y*(1-O_L)+(1-y)*O_L$. This avoid any divide by 0 errors.

- Training Accuracy is = 96.54%
- Test Accuracy is = 87.05%
- g) Training Accuracy using MLPClassifier is = 91.65%
 - Test Accuracy using MLPClassifier is = 86.82%

The performance of the library is actually worse than the performance of our architecture, in both the training and test sets.