AI6126: Homework 1

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Question 1: A network with the type of each layer and the corresponding output shape is given as follows

Layer (type)	Output Shape
Conv2d-1	[-1, 6, 28, 28]
ReLU-2	[-1, 6, 28, 28]
MaxPool2d-3	[-1, 6, 14, 14]
Conv2d-4	[-1, 16, 10, 10]
ReLU-5	[-1, 16, 10, 10]
MaxPool2d-6	[-1, 16, 5, 5]
Conv2d-7	[-1, 120, 1, 1]
ReLU-8	[-1, 120, 1, 1]
Linear-9	[-1, 84]
ReLU-10	[-1, 84]
Linear-11	[-1, 10]
LogSoftmax-12	[-1, 10]
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The input has a shape of 1x32x32. The output shape of each layer is provided as [<ignore>, output channels, height, width]. For instance, at layer 'Conv2d-1', the output shape is [6, 28, 28], i.e., six feature maps of spatial size 28x28. Each conv filter and neuron of linear layer has a bias term and stride = 1.

Calculate the number of parameters for each layer and finally the total number of parameters of this network.

Question 2: Define a model in PyTorch with the architecture as given in Question 1. Start with the following constructor

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class HelloCNN(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super(HelloCNN, self).__init__()

def forward(self, x):
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Question 3: Please answer the following questions:

- i) Explain the difference between regression and classification.
- ii) You need to train a neural network that predicts the age of a person. Is this a regression or classification problem?
- iii) Why do we need a validation set?

Question 4: Let us consider the convolution of single-channel tensors $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{4\times4}$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{3\times3}$

Perform convolution as matrix multiplication by converting the kernel into sparse Toeplitz circulant matrix. Show your steps.

Question 5: Why might we prefer to minimize the sum of absolute residuals (L1 loss) instead of the residual sum of squares for some data sets (L2 loss)? (*Hint*: What is one of the flaws of least-squares regression?)