Lab 1. PyTorch and ANNs

This lab is a warm up to get you used to the PyTorch programming environment used in the course, and also to help you review and renew your knowledge of Python and relevant Python libraries. The lab must be done individually. Please recall that the University of Toronto plagarism rules apply.

By the end of this lab, you should be able to:

- 1. Be able to perform basic PyTorch tensor operations.
- 2. Be able to load data into PyTorch
- 3. Be able to configure an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) using PyTorch
- 4. Be able to train ANNs using PyTorch
- 5. Be able to evaluate different ANN configuations

You will need to use numpy and PyTorch documentations for this assignment:

- https://docs.scipy.org/doc/numpy/reference/
- https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/torch.html

You can also reference Python API documentations freely.

What to submit

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Part 1. Python Basics [3 pt]

The purpose of this section is to get you used to the basics of Python, including working with functions, numbers, lists, and strings.

Note that we will be checking your code for clarity and efficiency.

If you have trouble with this part of the assignment, please review http://cs231n.github.io/python-numpy-tutorial/

Part (a) -- 1pt

Write a function sum_of_cubes that computes the sum of cubes up to n. If the input to sum_of_cubes invalid (e.g. negative or non-integer n), the function should print out "Invalid input" and return -1.

```
def sum_of_cubes(n):
    sum = 0

    if type(n) != int or n < 0:
        return -1

    for i in range(n+1):
        sum += i**3
    return sum

sum_of_cubes(3)
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```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Write a function word_lengths that takes a sentence (string), computes the length of each word in that sentence, and returns the length of each word in a list. You can assume that words are always separated by a space character " ".

Hint: recall the str.split function in Python. If you arenot sure how this function works, try typing help(str.split) into a Python shell, or check out https://docs.python.org/3.6/library/stdtypes.html#str.split

```
help(str.split)
Help on method_descriptor:

split(self, /, sep=None, maxsplit=-1)
    Return a list of the substrings in the string, using sep as the separator string.

sep
```

```
The separator used to split the string.
        When set to None (the default value), will split on any
whitespace
        character (including \\n \\r \\t \\f and spaces) and will
discard
        empty strings from the result.
      maxsplit
        Maximum number of splits (starting from the left).
        -1 (the default value) means no limit.
    Note, str.split() is mainly useful for data that has been
intentionally
    delimited. With natural text that includes punctuation, consider
using
    the regular expression module.
def word lengths(sentence):
    sentence = sentence.split()
    arr = []
    for i in range(len(sentence)):
      arr.append(len(sentence[i]))
    return arr
word lengths("Hello my name is")
[5, 2, 4, 2]
```

Part (c) -- 1pt

Write a function all_same_length that takes a sentence (string), and checks whether every word in the string is the same length. You should call the function word_lengths in the body of this new function.

```
def all_same_length(sentence):
    """Return True if every word in sentence has the same
    length, and False otherwise."""
    arr = word_lengths(sentence)
    for i in range(len(arr)):
        if arr[i] != arr[0]:
            return False
    return True
```

```
all_same_length("mama miaa")
True
```

Part 2. NumPy Exercises [5 pt]

In this part of the assignment, you'll be manipulating arrays usign NumPy. Normally, we use the shorter name np to represent the package numpy.

```
import numpy as np
import time
```

Part (a) -- 1pt

The below variables matrix and vector are numpy arrays. Explain what you think <NumpyArray>.size and <NumpyArray>.shape represent.

```
matrix = np.array([[1., 2., 3., 0.5],
                   [4., 5., 0., 0.],
                   [-1., -2., 1., 1.]
vector = np.array([2., 0., 1., -2.])
matrix.size
"""number of elements included in the matrix (array of arrays)"""
NameError
                                          Traceback (most recent call
<ipython-input-47-51ac9e5fef4c> in <cell line: 1>()
----> 1 matrix.size
NameError: name 'matrix' is not defined
matrix.shape
"""the dimensions of the matrix, (a,b) where a and b are number of
elements in rows and columns respectively"""
vector.size
"""number of elements, or length, of the vector"""
vector.shape
"""similar to the dimensions of the matrix, except only one row is
present"""
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Perform matrix multiplication output = matrix x vector by using for loops to iterate through the columns and rows. Do not use any builtin NumPy functions. Cast your output into a NumPy array, if it isn't one already.

Hint: be mindful of the dimension of output

```
output = np.array([])
start_time = time.time()
row, col = matrix.shape

for i in range(row):
    sum = 0
    for j in range(col):
        sum += matrix[i][j]*vector[j]
    output = np.append(output, sum)

end_time = time.time()
diff = end_time - start_time

print(output)
[ 4. 8. -3.]
```

Part (c) -- 1pt

Perform matrix multiplication $output2 = matrix \times vector$ by using the function numpy.dot.

We will never actually write code as in part(c), not only because numpy.dot is more concise and easier to read/write, but also performance-wise numpy.dot is much faster (it is written in C and highly optimized). In general, we will avoid for loops in our code.

```
output2 = np.array([])
start_time2 = time.time()
output2 = np.dot(matrix, vector)
end_time2 = time.time()
diff2 = end_time2 - start_time2
print(output2)
[ 4.  8. -3.]
```

Part (d) -- 1pt

As a way to test for consistency, show that the two outputs match.

```
print(output == output2)
[ True True True]
```

Part (e) -- 1pt

Show that using np.dot is faster than using your code from part (c).

You may find the below code snippit helpful:

Part 3. Images [6 pt]

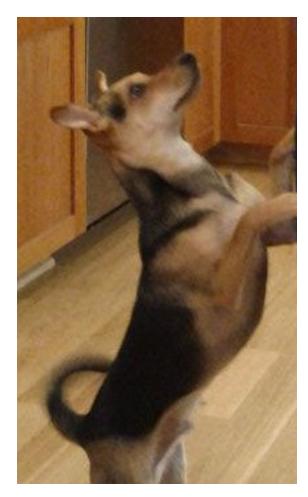
A picture or image can be represented as a NumPy array of "pixels", with dimensions $H \times W \times C$, where H is the height of the image, W is the width of the image, and C is the number of colour channels. Typically we will use an image with channels that give the the Red, Green, and Blue "level" of each pixel, which is referred to with the short form RGB.

You will write Python code to load an image, and perform several array manipulations to the image and visualize their effects.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from PIL import Image
import urllib.request
```

Part (a) -- 1 pt

This is a photograph of a dog whose name is Mochi.



Load the image from its url (https://drive.google.com/uc? export=view&id=1oaLVR2hr1_qzpKQ47i9rVUIklwbDcews) into the variable img using the plt.imread function.

Hint: You can enter the URL directly into the plt.imread function as a Python string.

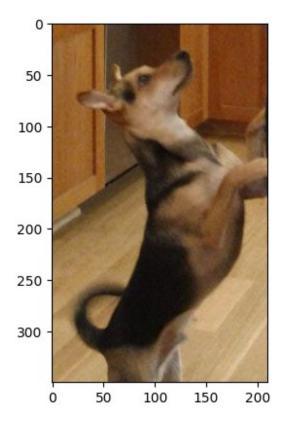
```
"""plt.imread function returned error with the provided URL"""
f = urllib.request.urlopen('https://drive.google.com/uc?
export=view&id=loaLVR2hr1_qzpKQ47i9rVUIklwbDcews')
img = Image.open(f)
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Use the function plt.imshow to visualize img.

This function will also show the coordinate system used to identify pixels. The origin is at the top left corner, and the first dimension indicates the Y (row) direction, and the second dimension indicates the X (column) dimension.

```
img = np.array(img)
plt.imshow(img)
```

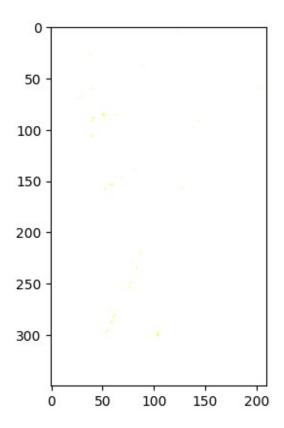


Part (c) -- 2pt

Modify the image by adding a constant value of 0.25 to each pixel in the img and store the result in the variable img_add. Note that, since the range for the pixels needs to be between [0, 1], you will also need to clip img_add to be in the range [0, 1] using numpy.clip. Clipping sets any value that is outside of the desired range to the closest endpoint. Display the image using plt.imshow.

```
img_add = img + 0.25
np.clip(img, 0, 1)
plt.imshow(img_add)

WARNING:matplotlib.image:Clipping input data to the valid range for imshow with RGB data ([0..1] for floats or [0..255] for integers).
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7886c080ee00>
```



Part (d) -- 2pt

Crop the **original** image (**img** variable) to a 130 x 150 image including Mochi's face. Discard the alpha colour channel (i.e. resulting **img_cropped** should **only have RGB channels**)

Display the image.

```
img\_cropped = img[0:150, 20:150]
img_cropped = np.delete(img_cropped, 3, 2)
img_cropped
array([[[152,
                      34],
                 91,
         [148,
                 87,
                      30],
         [147,
                 86,
                      29],
                 87,
                      33],
         [148,
                 93,
                      39],
         [154,
                 96,
                      42]],
         [157,
        [[155,
                 93,
                      36],
         [150,
                 88,
                      31],
                 84,
                      27],
         [146,
         [150,
                 89,
                      35],
         [155,
                 94,
                      40],
```

```
[158,
         97,
               43]],
[[159,
         94,
               38],
               32],
 [153,
         88,
 [149]
         84,
               26],
 . . . ,
         90,
               35],
 [151,
 [157,
         96,
               411,
         99,
               44]],
 [160,
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               45],
[[152,
         96,
 [148,
         92,
               41],
         96,
               47],
 [152,
 [128,
         98,
               70],
         96,
 [126,
               68],
 [128,
               68]],
         97,
[[155,
         99,
               48],
 [153,
         97,
               46],
 [155,
         99,
               50],
 [131, 101,
               73],
 [134, 103,
               74],
 [137, 106,
               77]],
[[156, 100,
               49],
               46],
 [153,
         97,
 [154,
         98,
               49],
 . . . ,
 [138, 108,
               80],
 [137, 106,
               77],
               79]]], dtype=uint8)
 [139, 108,
```

Part 4. Basics of PyTorch [6 pt]

PyTorch is a Python-based neural networks package. Along with tensorflow, PyTorch is currently one of the most popular machine learning libraries.

PyTorch, at its core, is similar to Numpy in a sense that they both try to make it easier to write codes for scientific computing achieve improved performance over vanilla Python by leveraging highly optimized C back-end. However, compare to Numpy, PyTorch offers much better GPU support and provides many high-level features for machine learning. Technically, Numpy can be used to perform almost every thing PyTorch does. However, Numpy would be a lot slower than PyTorch, especially with CUDA GPU, and it would take more effort to write machine learning related code compared to using PyTorch.

Part (a) -- 1 pt

Use the function torch.from_numpy to convert the numpy array img_cropped into a PyTorch tensor. Save the result in a variable called img_torch.

```
img_torch = torch.from_numpy(img_cropped)
img torch
tensor([[[152,
                  91,
                       34],
          [148,
                  87,
                       30],
          [147,
                  86,
                       29],
          [148,
                  87,
                       33],
          [154,
                  93,
                       39],
          [157,
                  96,
                       42]],
         [[155,
                  93,
                       36],
          [150,
                  88,
                       31],
          [146,
                  84,
                       27],
          . . . ,
          [150,
                  89,
                       35],
          [155,
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          [158,
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          [149,
                  84,
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          [157,
                  96,
                       41],
                  99,
                       44]],
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          [148,
                  92,
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                  96,
          [152,
                       47],
          [128,
                  98,
                       70],
          [126,
                  96,
                       68],
          [128,
                  97,
                       68]],
         [[155,
                  99,
                       48],
          [153,
                  97,
                       46],
          [155,
                  99,
                       50],
          [131, 101, 73],
```

```
[134, 103,
             741,
[137, 106,
             77]],
[[156, 100,
             49],
[153,
        97,
             461,
[154, 98,
             49],
 [138, 108,
              801,
[137, 106,
              771,
             79]]], dtype=torch.uint8)
 [139, 108,
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Use the method <Tensor>. shape to find the shape (dimension and size) of img_torch.

```
img_torch.shape
torch.Size([150, 130, 3])
```

Part (c) -- 1pt

How many floating-point numbers are stored in the tensor img_torch?

```
img_torch.numel()
58500
```

Part (d) -- 1 pt

What does the code img_torch.transpose(0,2) do? What does the expression return? Is the original variable img_torch updated? Explain.

```
img torch.transpose(0,2)
"""the function swaps axes. In this case, the rows and columns of
img torch are swapped, i.e. element [i][j] becomes [j][i]"""
tensor([[[152, 155, 159,
                           ..., 152, 155, 156],
         [148, 150, 153,
                           ..., 148, 153, 153],
         [147, 146, 149,
                           ..., 152, 155, 154],
         . . . ,
         [148, 150, 151,
                           ..., 128, 131, 138],
         [154, 155, 157,
                           ..., 126, 134, 137],
         [157, 158, 160,
                           ..., 128, 137, 139]],
        [[ 91,
                 93,
                                  96,
                                       99, 100],
                      94,
                           . . . ,
         [ 87,
                 88,
                      88,
                                  92,
                                       97,
                                            971,
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                                       99,
         [ 86,
                 84,
                      84,
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                                            98],
                           . . . ,
                      90, ..., 98, 101, 108],
         [ 87,
                 89,
```

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[ 93,
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                                        46],
         31,
               32,
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               26,
                            47,
                                  50,
                                        49],
 [ 33,
         35,
               35,
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                                        801,
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                                        771,
               41,
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                                  74,
                                  77,
                                        79]]], dtype=torch.uint8)
 [ 42,
         43,
               44,
                            68,
                     . . . ,
```

Part (e) -- 1 pt

What does the code img_torch.unsqueeze(0) do? What does the expression return? Is the original variable img_torch updated? Explain.

```
img torch.unsqueeze(0)
"""the function add new axes. In this case, 0 axes are added,
therefore img torch is not updated"""
tensor([[[[152,
                   91,
                         341,
           [148,
                   87,
                         30],
           [147,
                   86,
                         29],
                         33],
           [148,
                   87,
                   93,
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           [154,
           [157,
                   96,
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           [150,
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           [155,
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           [158,
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           [153,
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                         32],
                   84,
                         26],
           [149,
           [151,
                   90,
                         351,
           [157,
                   96,
                         41],
                   99,
                         44]],
           [160,
          . . . ,
          [[152,
                   96,
                         45],
                   92,
           [148,
                         41],
           [152,
                   96,
                         47],
```

```
[128,
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        96,
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        97,
             68]],
[128,
[[155,
        99,
             481,
[153,
        97,
             46],
[155,
        99,
             50],
[131, 101,
             73],
[134, 103,
             741,
[137, 106,
            77]],
[[156, 100,
             491,
[153,
        97,
             46],
[154,
      98,
             49],
[138, 108,
             801,
[137, 106,
             77],
            79]]]], dtype=torch.uint8)
[139, 108,
```

Part (f) -- 1 pt

Find the maximum value of img_torch along each colour channel? Your output should be a one-dimensional PyTorch tensor with exactly three values.

Hint: lookup the function torch.max.

```
red_val, _ = torch.max(img_torch[0], dim=0)
grn_val, _ = torch.max(img_torch[1], dim=0)
blu_val, _ = torch.max(img_torch[2], dim=0)

max_values = torch.tensor([red_val[0], grn_val[0], blu_val[0]])
max_values

tensor([177, 176, 176], dtype=torch.uint8)
```

Part 5. Training an ANN [10 pt]

The sample code provided below is a 2-layer ANN trained on the MNIST dataset to identify digits less than 3 or greater than and equal to 3. Modify the code by changing any of the following and observe how the accuracy and error are affected:

- number of training iterations
- number of hidden units
- numbers of layers
- types of activation functions
- learning rate

Please select at least three different options from the list above. For each option, please select two to three different parameters and provide a table.

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
from torchvision import datasets, transforms
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # for plotting
import torch.optim as optim
torch.manual seed(1) # set the random seed
# define a 2-layer artificial neural network
class Pigeon(nn.Module): #define a class of neural network called
"Pigeon"
    def init (self):
        super(Pigeon, self).__init__()
        self.layer1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 30) # input layer
        self.layer2 = nn.Linear(30, 1)
    def forward(self, img): # defines the forward pass
        flattened = img.view(-1, 28 * 28) # flattens the image
        activation1 = self.layer1(flattened) # passing the flattened
image thru the first layer
        activation1 = F.leaky_relu(activation1) # activation function
        activation2 = self.layer2(activation1)
        return activation2
pigeon = Pigeon() # create an instance of the Pigeon neural network
# load the data
mnist data = datasets.MNIST('data', train=True, download=True) # load
in the MNIST data set
mnist data = list(mnist data) # convert the dataset into a list
mnist train = mnist data[:1000] # training set
mnist val = mnist data[1000:2000] # validation set
img_to_tensor = transforms.ToTensor() # defines a transformation to
convert image to tensors
# simplified training code to train `pigeon` on the "small digit
recognition" task
criterion = nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss() # loss function (binary cross-
entropy with logits)
optimizer = optim.SGD(pigeon.parameters(), lr=0.005, momentum=0.9) #
defines the optimizer with learning rate and momentum
for (image, label) in mnist train:
    # actual ground truth: is the digit less than 3?
    actual = torch.tensor(label <</pre>
```

```
3).reshape([1,1]).type(torch.FloatTensor)
    # pigeon prediction
    out = pigeon(img to tensor(image)) # step 1-2
    # update the parameters based on the loss
    loss = criterion(out, actual)
                                    # step 3
    loss.backward()
                                       # step 4 (compute the updates
for each parameter)
    optimizer.step()
                                       # step 4 (make the updates for
each parameter)
    optimizer.zero grad()
                                       # a clean up step for PyTorch
# computing the error and accuracy on the training set
error = 0
for (image, label) in mnist train:
    prob = torch.sigmoid(pigeon(img to tensor(image)))
    if (prob < 0.5 \text{ and } label < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 \text{ and } label >= 3):
        error += 1
print("Training Error Rate:", error/len(mnist_train))
print("Training Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist train))
# computing the error and accuracy on a test set
error = 0
for (image, label) in mnist val:
    prob = torch.sigmoid(pigeon(img to tensor(image)))
    if (prob < 0.5 \text{ and } label < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 \text{ and } label >= 3):
        error += 1
print("Test Error Rate:", error/len(mnist_val))
print("Test Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist val))
Training Error Rate: 0.037
Training Accuracy: 0.963
Test Error Rate: 0.079
Test Accuracy: 0.921
```

TESTING RESULTS:

ANN Variables	Parameter 1	Parameter 2	Parameter 3	Parameter 4	Training Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
Number of Iterations	100	1000	4000	8000	(0.780, 0.964, 0.966, 0.976)	(0.770, 0.921, 0.960, 0.965)
Learning Rate	0.001	0.005	0.01	0.1	(0.922, 0.964, 0.961, 0.688)	(0.887, 0.921, 0.918, 0.703)

ANN Variables	Parameter 1	Parameter 2	Parameter 3	Parameter 4	Training Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
Number of Layers	1	2	3	10	(0.312, 0.964, 0.955, 0.688)	(0.297, 0.921, 0.921, 0.703)
Number of Hidden Units at 2 Layers	10	30	100	1000	(0.953, 0.964, 0.970, 0.982)	(0.896, 0.921, 0.923, 0.935)
Activation Function	Sigmoid	ReLU	Leaky ReLU	Tanh Re	(0.927, 0.964, 0.963, 0.96)	(0.883, 0.921, 0.921, 0.906)

Note: Each variable is tested with the other variables being set to default (given values)

Note2: For number of iterations, the size of testing set is set to match the training set. For example, if the training size is 8000, the testing size is also 8000

Note3: The number of layers is changed without changing the number of hidden units (30). For example, 3 hidden layers each with 30 hidden units each summing to a total of 90. The activation function is set to ReLU for all layers

Observations:

- Increasing the number of iterations has a positive, but plateauing effect on both accuracies
- Increasing learning rate is similar to increasing the number of hidden layer, where there is an initial spike in both accuracies, followed by continued decline in both
- Increasing the number of hidden units has a positive and plateauing effect on both accuracies, similar to the number of iterations
- For activation functions, ReLU ranks best in terms of accuracy, followed by Leaky ReLU, Tanh, and Sigmoid

Part (a) -- 3 pt

Comment on which of the above changes resulted in the best accuracy on training data? What accuracy were you able to achieve?

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iterations and number of hidden units as much as possible.

* The best training accuracy produced is 98.2% accuracy, achieved by increasing the number of hidden units to 1000. This is followed by a 97.6% accuracy

^{*} Increased accuracy on training data is produced by increasing the number of

achieved by increasing the number of training iterations to 8000

Part (b) -- 3 pt

Comment on which of the above changes resulted in the best accuracy on testing data? What accuracy were you able to achieve?

* Similar to training data, increased accuracy on testing data is produced by increasing the number of iterations and number of hidden units as much as possible.

* The best testing accuracy produced is 96.5% accuracy, achieved by increasing the number of training iterations to 8000. This is followed by a 93.5% accuracy achieved by increasing the number of hidden units to 1000
"""

Part (c) -- 4 pt

Which model hyperparameters should you use, the ones from (a) or (b)?

```
The hyperparameters from part (b) should be used. This is because a high accuracy based on training data may be a result of overfitting, and may not reflect the "true" performance of the NN when fed with real world data. In contrast, testing is designed to simulate real world circumstances, and a high accuracy based on the testing dataset (even though lower than the training accuracy) would better reflect the capacity of the NN when fed unpredictable datasets. """
```