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Exercise for Lecture – Mathematical Foundation

Task 1 (Differentiation)
Calculate the first-order derivative $f'(x)$ in each case:

a) $f(x) = 5x^4$

b) $g(x) = 3\sin(x)^2$

c) $z(x) = \log(\sqrt{e^{2x}})$

Task 2 (Tangent Hyperbolicus)
The hyperbolic tangent

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

is an example of a (non-linear) activation function frequently used in deep learning applications.

a) Draw the graph of the function

b) Calculate the first-order derivative $\tanh'(x)$

c) Show that $\tanh'(x) = 1 - (\tanh(x))^2$

Task 3 (Sigmoid Activation Function)
The sigmoid function

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

is an example of a (non-linear) activation function frequently used in deep learning applications.

a) Draw the graph of the function

b) Calculate the first-order derivative $\sigma'(x)$

c) Show that $\sigma'(x) = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$

Task 4 (Convex Functions)

a) Decide whether the following functions are convex or not:

$$f(x) = |x|\,, \quad g(x) = \sin(x)\,, \quad h(x) = e^x$$

b) Let f and g be convex functions. Show that $h(x) := \max(f(x), g(x))$ is also convex

c) Conclude from subtask a) that the ReLU activation function $\mathrm{ReLU}(x) = \max(0, x)$ is convex

d) Let f and g be convex functions. Show that $f + g$ is also convex

e) Let f be a convex function and h a linear function. Show that $f \circ h$ is convex.

Task 5 (Logistic Regression)
The loss function in logistic regression has the form

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} y^{(i)} \log(\sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{x}^{(i)})) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \sigma(\boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{x}^{(i)}))$$

where $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$ is the sigmoid function and $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_0, \dots, \theta_p)^T$ denotes the weights of the model. The convention $\boldsymbol{x}_0^{(i)} := 1$ is used.

a) Show that $f_1(x) = -\log(\sigma(x))$ and $f_2(x) = -\log(1 - \sigma(x))$ are convex. Calculate their second derivatives

b) Conclude from a) that L is a convex function in the weights $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

c) Calculate the partial derivatives of L according to the weights $\theta_0, \dots, \theta_p$ and describe the gradient $\nabla L_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ in vectorized form. Use the representation from task 3c

Task 1

a) $f(x) = 5x^4$

$f'(x) = 20x^3$

b) $g(x) = 3\sin(x)^2$

$g'(x) = 6\cos(x)$

c) $z(x) = \log(\sqrt{e^{2x}})$

$$z'(x) = \frac{\log(\sqrt{e^{2x}})}{\log(10)}$$

$$z'(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{\cancel{\sqrt{e^{2x}}}} \cdot \cancel{\frac{1}{2}}\cancel{(e^{2x})}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \cancel{2}}{\log(10)}$$

$$z'(x) = \frac{1}{\log(10)}$$

Task 2

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\tanh'(x) = \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})\cdot(e^x + e^{-x}) - (e^x - e^{-x})(e^x - e^{-x})}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})^2 - (e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2} = 1 - \frac{(e^x - e^{-x})^2}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2} = 1 - (\tanh(x))^2$$

Task 3

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} \quad \left(\left(\frac{1}{u(x)}\right)' = -\frac{u'(x)}{u(x)^2}\right)$$

$$\sigma'(x) = -\frac{(1+e^{-x})'}{(1+e^{-x})^2} = -\frac{0 + (-e^{-x})}{(1+e^{-x})^2} = -\frac{-e^{-x}}{(1+e^{-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-x}}{(1+e^{-x})^2} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}\right) = \sigma(x)\cdot(1-\sigma(x))$$

Task 4