

# 0. Notation

Vectors: **bold lower-case** ( $\mathbf{x}$ ), Matrices/Tensors: **bold upper-case** ( $\mathbf{X}$ )  
 $\odot$  = Hadamard product,  $B$  = mini-batch size  
Indicator  $\mathbf{1}_{(\cdot)}$  = 1 if condition is true

# 1. Fully Connected Network (2–2–1)

## Forward Mapping

Input  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{W}^{(1)} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ \mathbf{h}^{(1)} &= \text{ReLU}(\mathbf{a}^{(1)}) \\ z &= \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{h}^{(1)} + b, \quad \hat{y} = \sigma(z)\end{aligned}$$

**Sigmoid:**  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$

**Binary Cross-Entropy (BCE):**

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} [y_i \ln \hat{y}_i + (1 - y_i) \ln(1 - \hat{y}_i)]$$

## Backpropagation Chain:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} &= \hat{y} - y \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial b} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial z} (\mathbf{h}^{(1)})^\top \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(1)}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial z} \mathbf{w} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{a}^{(1)}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(1)}} \odot g'(\mathbf{a}^{(1)}) \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}^{(1)}} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{a}^{(1)}} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{W}^{(1)}} &= \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{a}^{(1)}} \right) \mathbf{x}^\top\end{aligned}$$

**Mini-batch:** Average gradients over  $B$  samples

# 2. Optimizers

**GD:**  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{\theta}_k - \eta \nabla L(\boldsymbol{\theta}_k)$

**SGD:**  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k-1} - \eta \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \nabla L_i$

**Momentum:**  $\mathbf{v}_k = \beta \mathbf{v}_{k-1} + \eta \nabla L_k$   
 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k-1} - \mathbf{v}_k$

**AdaGrad:**  $G_k = G_{k-1} + \nabla L_k \odot \nabla L_k$   
 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k-1} - \frac{\eta \nabla L_k}{\sqrt{G_k} + \varepsilon}$

**RMSProp:**  $G_k = \beta G_{k-1} + (1 - \beta) \nabla L_k^2$   
then same update as AdaGrad

**Adam:**  $\mathbf{m}_k = \beta_1 \mathbf{m}_{k-1} + (1 - \beta_1) \nabla L_k$   
 $\mathbf{v}_k = \beta_2 \mathbf{v}_{k-1} + (1 - \beta_2) \nabla L_k$   
 $\hat{\mathbf{m}}_k = \mathbf{m}_k / (1 - \beta_1^k)$   
 $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_k = \mathbf{v}_k / (1 - \beta_2^k)$   
 $\boldsymbol{\theta}_k = \boldsymbol{\theta}_{k-1} - \frac{\eta \hat{\mathbf{m}}_k}{\sqrt{\hat{\mathbf{v}}_k} + \varepsilon}$

# 3. CNNs: Dimensional Analysis

## Single 2-D Convolution Layer

**Input:**  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{B \times C_{\text{in}} \times H_{\text{in}} \times W_{\text{in}}}$

**Kernel:**  $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{C_{\text{out}} \times C_{\text{in}} \times K_h \times K_w}$

with stride  $(S_h, S_w)$ , padding  $(P_h, P_w)$

**Output Spatial Dimensions:**

$$\begin{aligned}H_{\text{out}} &= \left\lfloor \frac{H_{\text{in}} + 2P_h - K_h}{S_h} \right\rfloor + 1 \\ W_{\text{out}} &= \left\lfloor \frac{W_{\text{in}} + 2P_w - K_w}{S_w} \right\rfloor + 1\end{aligned}$$

**Output:**  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{B \times C_{\text{out}} \times H_{\text{out}} \times W_{\text{out}}}$

**Parameters:**  $C_{\text{out}} C_{\text{in}} K_h K_w + C_{\text{out}}$

**MACs:**  $B C_{\text{out}} H_{\text{out}} W_{\text{out}} C_{\text{in}} K_h K_w$

**Receptive Field & Stride (layer  $\ell$ ):**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{stride}_\ell &= \text{stride}_{\ell-1} S_\ell \\ \text{field}_\ell &= \text{field}_{\ell-1} + (K_\ell - 1) \text{stride}_{\ell-1}\end{aligned}$$

Init:  $\text{field}_0 = 1, \text{stride}_0 = 1$

**Typical CNN Block:**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X} &\rightarrow (B, C_0, H_0, W_0) \\ \text{Conv} &\rightarrow (B, C_1, H_1, W_1) \\ \text{BN+ReLU} &\rightarrow (B, C_1, H_1, W_1) \\ \text{MaxPool}(2, 2) &\rightarrow (B, C_1, H_1/2, W_1/2) \\ \text{Flatten} &\rightarrow (B, D) \text{ where } D = C_L H_L W_L \\ \text{FC} &\rightarrow (B, n_{\text{classes}})\end{aligned}$$

# 4. Single-Layer RNN

State  $\mathbf{h}_{t-1} \in \mathbb{R}^H$ , input  $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^D$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{a}_t &= \mathbf{W} \mathbf{h}_{t-1} + \mathbf{U} \mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{h}_t &= f(\mathbf{a}_t) \\ \mathbf{z}_t &= \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h}_t + \mathbf{c} \\ \hat{\mathbf{y}}_t &= g(\mathbf{z}_t)\end{aligned}$$

**BPTT gradient:**

$$\delta_t = (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}_t} L + \mathbf{W}^\top \delta_{t+1}) \odot f'(\mathbf{a}_t)$$

# 5. Transformer Self-Attention

## Per-Token Projections

For each token  $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{model}}}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{q}_t &= \mathbf{W}_Q \mathbf{x}_t \\ \mathbf{k}_t &= \mathbf{W}_K \mathbf{x}_t \quad \mathbf{W}_Q, \mathbf{W}_K, \mathbf{W}_V \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{model}} \times d_k} \\ \mathbf{v}_t &= \mathbf{W}_V \mathbf{x}_t\end{aligned}$$

**Attention Weights:**

Query token  $t$  attends to key token  $s$ :

$$\alpha_{t \rightarrow s} = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{q}_t^\top \mathbf{k}_s / \sqrt{d_k})}{\sum_{u=1}^T \exp(\mathbf{q}_t^\top \mathbf{k}_u / \sqrt{d_k})}$$

**Context Vector:**

$$\mathbf{z}_t = \sum_{s=1}^T \alpha_{t \rightarrow s} \mathbf{v}_s$$

**Matrix Form:**

$\mathbf{A} = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{K}^\top / \sqrt{d_k})$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}$

where  $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{K}, \mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{B \times T \times d_k}$

**Multi-Head:** Split into  $h$  heads with  $d_k = d_{\text{model}}/h$ , concatenate, apply dense layer

# 6. PCA (2-Feature Case)

**Mean-Centered Data:**

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & \cdots & x_{2n} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times n}$$

**Covariance:**

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^\top = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

**Eigenvalues:**

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{(a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a-c)^2 + 4b^2}}{2}$$

where  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2$

**Eigenvector** for  $\lambda_1$  (if  $b \neq 0$ ):

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 - c \\ b \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{u}_1}{\|\mathbf{u}_1\|}$$

**PC Scores:**

$$\mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{v}_1^\top \mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$$

**Explained Variance:**

$$\text{EVR}_1 = \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}$$

**Rank-1 Reconstruction:**

$$\boxed{\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}^\top (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B})}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  = data ( $d \times n$ ),  $\mathbf{B}$  = row means,  
 $\mathbf{C}$  = top eigenvector ( $d \times 1$ )

# 7. Overfitting: Diagnostics & Remedies

## Symptoms:

- Training loss ↓, validation loss ↑
- Widening train-val accuracy gap

## Remedies:

- Early stopping with patience
- $L_2$  weight decay:  $\mathcal{L} + \lambda \|\theta\|^2$
- Dropout: randomly zero activations
- Data augmentation
- Reduce model capacity
- $k$ -fold cross-validation

# 8. Weight Initialization

Method	Use	$\sigma^2$
Glorot/Xavier	sigmoid, tanh	$\frac{2}{n_{in} + n_{out}}$
He (Kaiming)	ReLU	$\frac{2}{n_{in}}$

# 9. Loss Functions

## Binary Cross-Entropy:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{BCE}} = -\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} [y_i \ln \hat{y}_i + (1 - y_i) \ln(1 - \hat{y}_i)]$$

## Mean Squared Error:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MSE}} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \|\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i - \mathbf{y}_i\|_2^2$$

## Categorical Cross-Entropy:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CCE}} = -\frac{1}{B} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{c=1}^C y_{i,c} \ln \hat{y}_{i,c}$$

# 10. Chain Rule Reference

For  $L(\mathbf{u})$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = g(\mathbf{v})$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = h(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} L = (\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} L) \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial \mathbf{v}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

# 11. CNN Architecture Example

## Conv-Conv-FC Network

**Input:**  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{H_{in} \times W_{in} \times C_{in}}$

### Conv 1:

Kernel  $w^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{K_1 \times K_1 \times C_{in} \times C_1}$

Bias  $b^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{C_1}$ , padding  $p_1 = (K_1 - 1)/2$

$$a_k^{(1)} = \sum_{c=0}^{C_{in}-1} \text{Conv}(x(\cdot, \cdot, c), w^{(1)}(\cdot, \cdot, c, k)) + b_k^{(1)}$$

$$h^{(1)} = g(a^{(1)}) \in \mathbb{R}^{H_1 \times W_1 \times C_1}$$

### Conv 2:

Kernel  $w^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{K_2 \times K_2 \times C_1 \times C_2}$

$$a_k^{(2)} = \sum_{c=0}^{C_1-1} \text{Conv}(h^{(1)}(\cdot, \cdot, c), w^{(2)}(\cdot, \cdot, c, k)) + b_k^{(2)}$$

$$h^{(2)} = g(a^{(2)}) \in \mathbb{R}^{H_2 \times W_2 \times C_2}$$

### Flatten:

$$h_{\text{flat}}^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^{D_{\text{flat}}}, \quad D_{\text{flat}} = H_2 W_2 C_2$$

### Dense:

$W^{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^{D_h \times D_{\text{flat}}}$ ,  $b^{(3)} \in \mathbb{R}^{D_h}$

$$a^{(3)} = W^{(3)} h_{\text{flat}}^{(2)} + b^{(3)}, \quad h^{(3)} = g(a^{(3)})$$

### Output:

$W \in \mathbb{R}^{D_{\text{out}} \times D_h}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^{D_{\text{out}}}$

$$z = Wh^{(3)} + b \in \mathbb{R}^{D_{\text{out}}}$$

Apply  $\text{softmax}(z)$  or  $\sigma(z)$  for prediction

# 12. Model Selection Guide

**RNN:** Sequential data, moderate lengths

*Ex:* time series prediction

**CNN:** Grid data with spatial locality

*Ex:* image classification (MNIST)

**Transformer:** Long-range dependencies

*Ex:* machine translation, NLP tasks

# 13. Regression vs. Classification

**Linear Regression:** Predicts continuous values  $\hat{y} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Uses MSE loss. Output layer has linear activation.

**Binary Classification:** Predicts class probabilities  $\hat{y} \in [0, 1]$ . Uses BCE loss. Output layer has sigmoid activation.

**Multi-class Classification:** Predicts probability distribution over  $C$  classes. Uses categorical cross-entropy. Output has softmax.

# 14. Sequence Model Tasks

## Seq→Vec (many→one):

Sentiment analysis, spam detection

## Seq→Seq (many→many):

Machine translation, speech recognition

## Seq→Vec Classification Loss:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ - \sum_{c=1}^C y_{i,c} \ln p_{i,c} \right]$$

## Seq→Seq Regression Loss:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{T_i} \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} m_{i,t} \|y_{i,t} - \hat{y}_{i,t}\|_2^2$$

**Note:** RNN update  $\mathbf{h}_t = f(\mathbf{h}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_t)$  is recursive  $\Rightarrow$  handles arbitrary length sequences