

REPORT

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In Software1.0 , the task is very trivial . I have just written the divisibility conditions for 3 , 5 and both. Since the problem is very simple , we are able to design the rules and hence are able to solve the problem perfectly with 1.0 accuracy using simple modular arithmetic .

In Software2.0 , we want the machine to learn the algorithm of divisibility tests intrinsically . The training data is the numbers from 101 to 1000 . The representation of the data is very important for the learning of algorithms by the model . Expressing the numbers in binary will make it easier for the algorithm to learn the divisibility since the binary representation gives better information about the divisibility of number . So all the data will be represented in binary . Since numbers used for training are ≤ 1000 , number of digits in binary will be less than 10 . Binary representation yields better results compared to simply representing numbers in decimal form . This is tried out experimentally and verified .

In the model , I have 2 hidden layers and one output layer . I tried with different number of layers . With more than 3 hidden layers , I found overfitting . Training data is learnt with 1.0 accuracy with number of layers ≥ 2 for epochs > 50 . But with more than 3 hidden layers, the accuracy on the validation set was less (around 0.69) for 4 layers with > 50 epochs . Even after trying with different number of epochs I found that there was overfitting . With 3 hidden layers it was working well but accuracy for the validation set was not the best . With only one hidden layer , accuracy was good around 0.8 for the validation set only when number of hidden units was large (> 300). So the capacity of the model had to be increased . Two hidden layers gave good accuracy on the validation set around 0.95 for around 100 epochs on the validation set . So I decided to keep 2 hidden layers with 100 epochs . So, I have experimentally found best accuracy using 2 hidden layers .

The first layer has 250 neurons and second layer has 125 neurons . The number of units is significantly high implying that the required capacity of the model is significantly high . The number of units was chosen by random sampling . With decrease of number of neurons in consecutive layers by 0.5 (approx.), the accuracy was always seemed to improve . So I have chosen 250 followed by 120 units . This is the optimal number of hidden units I have found out in this model . More number of hidden units than this corresponded to overfitting . Chosen number of hidden units is found to be optimal by experimentation .

The activation function used in all the layers except the last output layer is the relu activation function . This is most commonly used in most of the ML algorithms and I have chosen it for the same reason . In all ML algorithms , relu activation function one of the reliable activation functions and hence its used in all ML algorithms in the recent era . It is also computation friendly .

The output layer has softmax activation . Softmax is the activation function commonly used when dealing with multiclass classifications . Even in my model , the output is a vector with four values representing the probabilities of being "fizzbuzz" , "fizz" , "buzz" and the number itself, i.e divisible by both 3 and 5 , divisible by 3 , divisible by 5 , not divisible by any of 3 or 5 . So the model written is a solving a typical multiclass classification problem of classifying the number as divisible by 3 or 5 or both or none . So output layer has softmax activation function .

Now I had to decide the number of epochs to run on so that there is a good trade off between bias and variance . With different values of epochs , the model was run and both training and validation error was plotted against the number of epochs . So the epoch number was chosen such that both the training errors and validation errors are less . Again the number of epochs is experimentally estimated trying out different values . I found that around 100 epochs is optimal for my model . So I have used 100 epochs in my model .

Accuracy for "fizz" , "buzz" and "fizzbuzz" is almost the same . There is not much significant differences in the accuracies of "fizz" , "buzz" and "fizzbuzz" . The accuracy on the validation set was found to be around 0.95 and the examples which got wrong were equally present from the three categories . There was no bias towards one specific class in this multiclass classification .

The hyperparameters are mostly chosen through experimentation . Specific criterions for choosing hyperparameters has not been designed . By experimenting with different values and analysing the results , hyperparameters have been obtained in my model .