S&DS 265 / 565 Introductory Machine Learning

# **Autoencoders**

Thursday, November 18

#### Home stretch...

- Assignment 6 posted
- Assignment 7 (neural nets) after break
- Two more topics
- One more quiz
- Final exam, Dec 21 at 7pm

### Home stretch...

11	Nov 9, 11	Introduction to neural networks	CO Minimal neural network CO Regression examples	Thu: Assn 5 in	Nov 9: Topic models Nov 11: Neural networks
12	Nov 16, 18	Deep neural networks	Tensorflow playground CO Autoencoder examples	Tue: Quiz 3	Nov 16: Neural networks (continued) Notes on backpropagation Nov 18: Autoencoders
13	Nov 19-28	No class, Thanksgiving break			
14	Nov 30, Dec 2	Reinforcement learning		Tue: Assn 6 in; Assn 7 out	
15	Dec 7, 9	Societal issues for machine learning		Tue: Quiz 4 Thu: Assn 7 in	

# For today

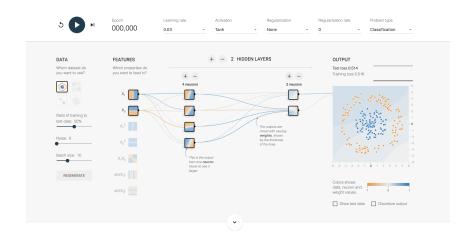
- Variants of autoencoders
- Illustration on MNIST
- Jump starting assn7

#### Minimal neural network: Recall

- First discussed a logistic regression model
- Then a simple 2-layer network, backprop calcs
- Toy data: 3-class spirals (TF playground and today)
- Your job: Extend starter code

These types of networks are sometimes called *multilayer perceptrons* 

#### Interactive visualizations



http://playground.tensorflow.org

#### Classification

For classification we use softmax to compute probabilities

$$(p_1, p_2, p_3) = \frac{1}{e^{f_1} + e^{f_2} + e^{f_3}} \left( e^{f_1}, e^{f_2}, e^{f_3} \right)$$

The loss function is

$$\mathcal{L} = -\log P(y | x) = \log \left(e^{f_1} + e^{f_2} + e^{f_3}\right) - f_y$$

So, we have

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial f_k} = p_k - \mathbb{1}(y = k)$$

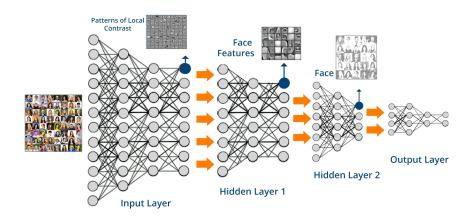
Further reading: http://neuralnetworksanddeeplearning.com/ Disclaimer, I haven't "vetted" this online book.

## **Examples**

Let's go to the spiral data notebook

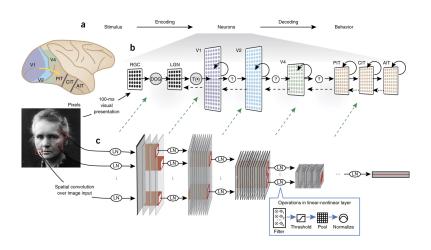
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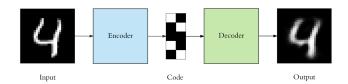


Using goal-driven deep learning models to understand sensory cortex, Yamins and DiCarlo, 2016,  ${\tt https://www.nature.com/articles/nn.4244}$ 

#### **Autoencoders**

- Unsupervised learning methods
- Squeeze high dimensional data through a "bottleneck" of lower dimension
- Train to minimize reconstruction error

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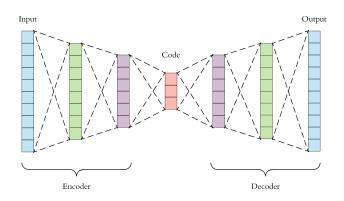


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### Important aspects

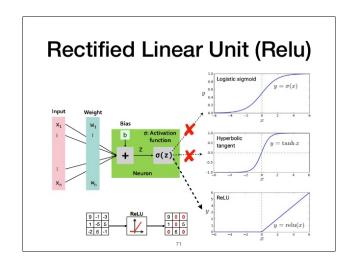
- Unsupervised: No labels used, discovers useful features of input
- Compression: Code reduces dimension of data
- Lossy: Input won't be reconstructed exactly
- Trained: The compression algorithm is learned for specific data

## **Deep architecture**



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#### **Activation functions**



# Simple autoencoder example

Encoder network of the form

$$h = \text{ReLU}(Wx + b)$$

where  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times D}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^H$ , decoder network is

$$\widehat{x} = \text{ReLU}(\widetilde{W}h + \widetilde{b})$$

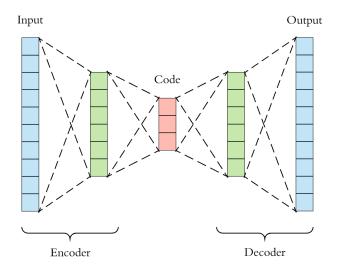
where  $\widetilde{\boldsymbol{W}} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times H}$  and  $\widetilde{\boldsymbol{b}} \in \mathbb{R}^{D}$ .

Objective function:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \|x_i - \text{ReLU}(\widetilde{W} \text{ReLU}(Wx_i + b) + \widetilde{b})\|^2.$$

ReLU(x) = max(0, x), applied component-wise.

## Simple 2-layer architecture



# Simple example – code of dimension K

Encoder network of the form

$$h = \text{ReLU}(W_1 x + b_1)$$
$$c = \text{ReLU}(W_2 h + b_2)$$

where  $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times D}$  and  $b_1 \in \mathbb{R}^H$ , and  $W_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times H}$  and  $b_2 \in \mathbb{R}^K$ 

Decoder network of the form

$$\widehat{h} = \text{ReLU}(\widetilde{W}_1 c + \widetilde{b}_1)$$

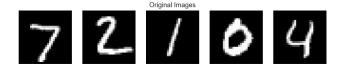
$$\widehat{x} = \text{Sigmoid}(\widetilde{W}_2 \widehat{h} + \widetilde{b}_2)$$

where  $\widetilde{W}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times K}$  and  $\widetilde{b}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^H$ , and  $\widetilde{W}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times H}$  and  $\widetilde{b}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^D$ 

Objective function: binary cross-entropy

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( x_i \log \widehat{x}_i + (1 - x_i) \log (1 - \widehat{x}_i) \right)$$

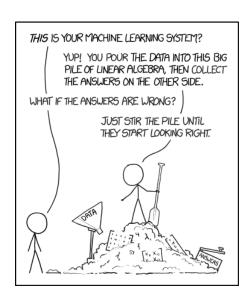
#### **MNIST data**



$$28 \times 28 = 784 = D$$

# It cuts both ways...





# Implementation using Keras

```
input_size = 784
hidden_size = 128
code_size = 32

input_img = Input(shape=(input_size,))
hidden_1 = Dense(hidden_size, activation='relu')(input_img)
code = Dense(code_size, activation='relu')(hidden_1)
hidden_2 = Dense(hidden_size, activation='relu')(code)
output_img = Dense(input_size, activation='sigmoid')(hidden_2)

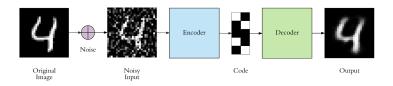
autoencoder = Model(input_img, output_img)
autoencoder.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='binary_crossentropy')
autoencoder.fit(x_train, x_train, epochs=5)
```

### **Adam optimizer**

- Variant of stochastic gradient descent where separate learning rate (step size) is maintained for each network weight (parameter)
  - Each step size adapted as learning progresses based on moments of the derivatives

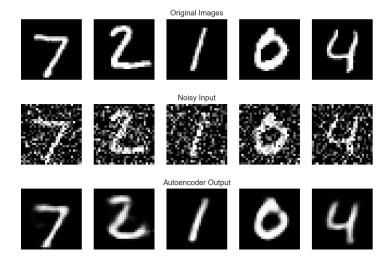
<sup>&</sup>quot;Adam: A method for stochastic optimization," D. Kingma and J. Ba, https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.6980

### **Variant: Denoising autoencoder**



- Feed in noisy data
- Train to match to denoised data

### **Example result on MNIST**



# Variant: Sparse autoencoder

- Add penalty to encourage sparsity
- Forces autoencoder to discover interesting structure in data

In Keras this is easy to do:

```
code = Dense(code_size, activation='relu',
activity_regularizer=l1(10e-6))(input_img)
```

## Sample code

Let's take a look at the starter code autoencoder-demo.ipynb

## Summary: What did we learn today?

- Autoencoders compress the input and then reconstruct it
- Bottleneck forces extraction of useful features.
- Will overfit and "memorize" the data
- Overfitting mitigated by denoising autoencoders