

CSC413 Deep Learning and Neural Networks

Assignment 1

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1 Hard-Coding Networks

1.1 Verify Sort

$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b}^{(1)} = \tilde{\mathbf{0}}$$

$$\mathbf{W}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b^{(2)} = -2.5$$

1.2 Perform Sort

1.3 Universal Approximation Theorem

1.3.1

$$n = 2$$

$$\mathbf{W}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} -a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

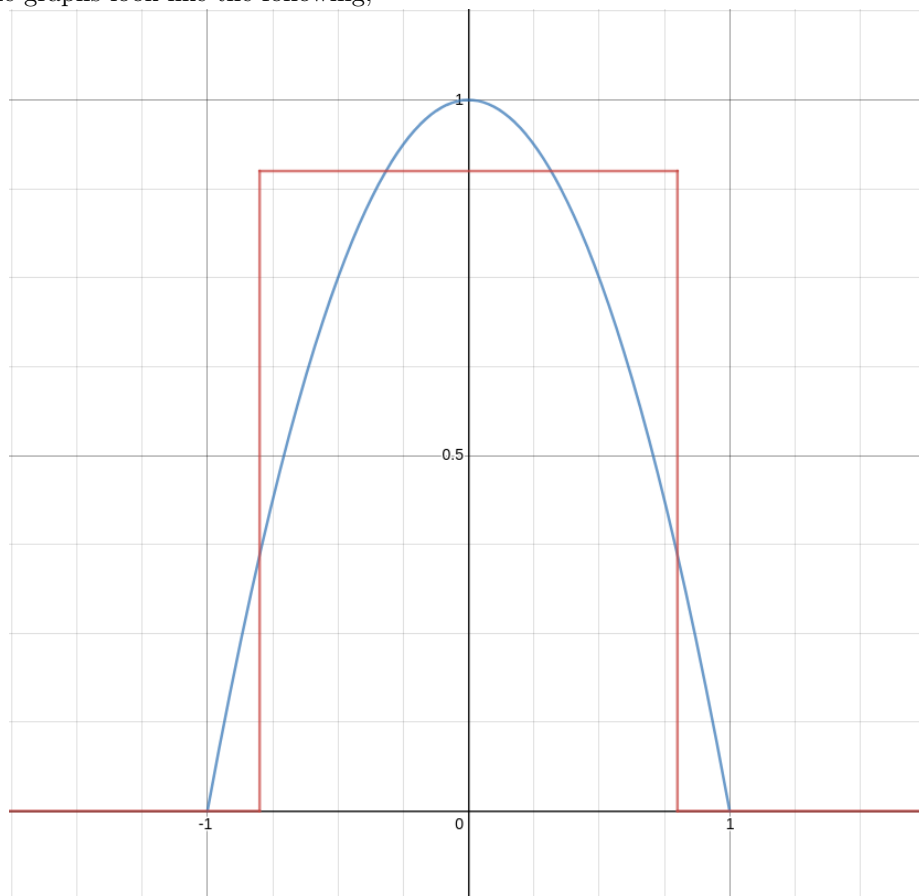
$$\mathbf{W}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b^{(1)} = -h$$

1.3.2

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-1}^1 (-x^2 + 1) dx &= \left(-\frac{1}{3}x^3 + x \right) \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{4}{3} \\
 \|f - \hat{f}_1\| &= \int_{-1}^1 (-x^2 + 1 - h \cdot I(a < x < b)) dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^a (-x^2 + 1) dx + \int_b^1 (-x^2 + 1) dx + \int_a^b (-x^2 + 1 - h) dx \\
 &\quad \quad \quad (-1 \leq a < b \leq 1) \\
 &= \left(-\frac{a^3}{3} + a + \frac{2}{3} \right) + \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{b^3}{3} - b \right) + \left| \frac{a^3 - b^3}{3} + (1 - h)(b - a) \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

Want $\|f - \hat{f}_1\| < \frac{4}{3}$, a reasonable choice could be $a = -0.8, b = 0.8, h = 0.9$. The graphs look like the following,



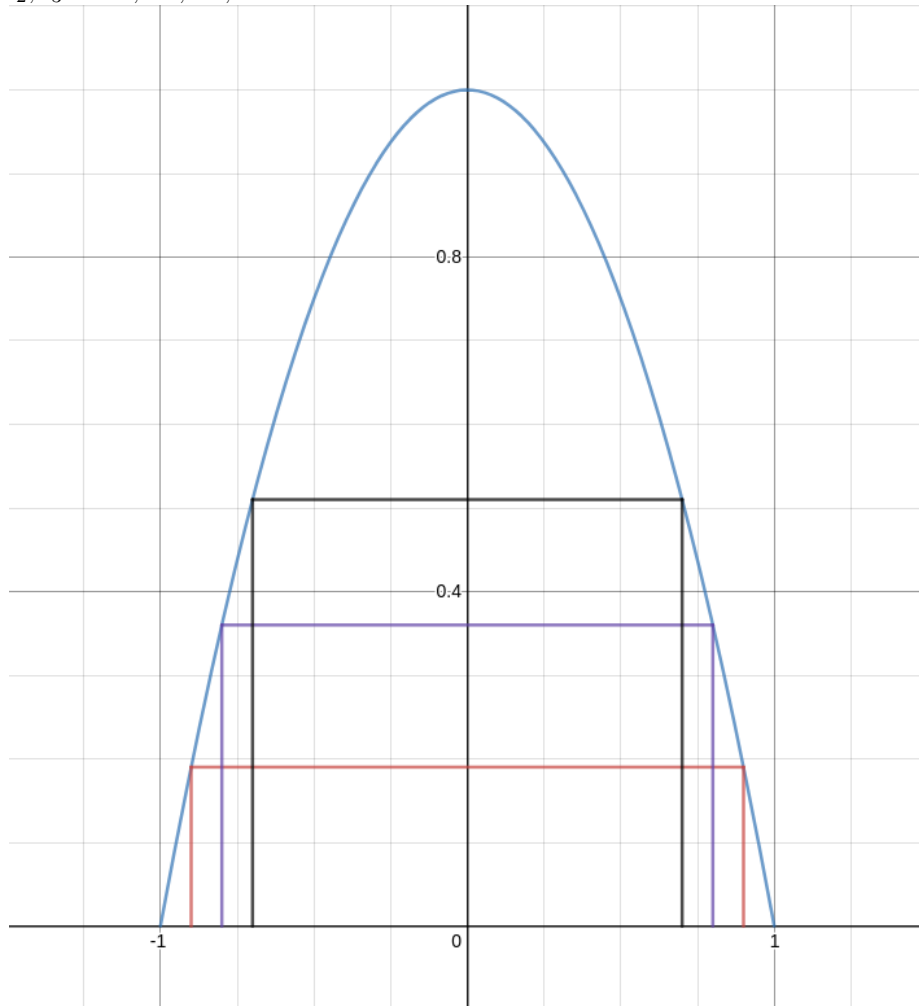
1.3.3

Since f is symmetrix around $x = 0$, $b_i = -a_i$ should be satisfied. First, have \hat{f}_1 have (h_1, a_1, b_1) such that $h_1 = f(a_1) = f(b_1)$. Then, as we increase a_i and decrease b_i (by the same amount, d_i for instance), we set

$$h_i = f(a_i) - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} h_k$$

Depending on the size of N , we can choose the initial a_1 and the incremental difference (which can be variable) in order to approximate f well.

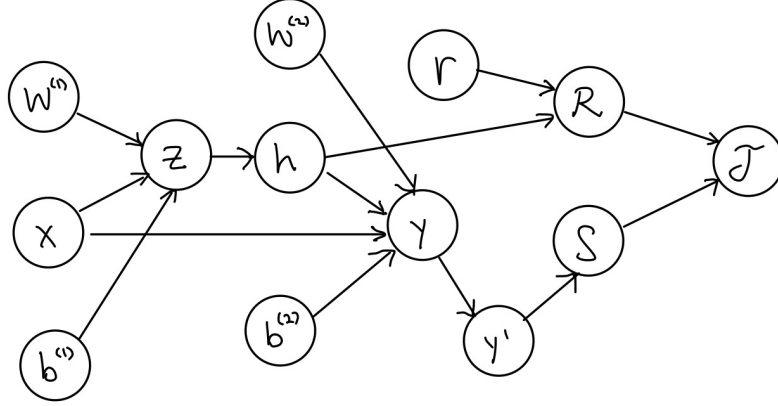
The following plot shows the result of $a_1, a_2, a_3 = -0.9, -0.8, -0.7$ and $b_1, b_2, b_3 = 0.9, 0.8, 0.7$,



2 Backprop

2.1 Computational Graph

2.1.1



2.1.2

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}} = 1$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{S}} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y}'_k &= \bar{\mathcal{S}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{S}}{\partial \bar{y}'_k} \\ &= I(t = k) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{y}} &= \bar{y}' \frac{\partial y'}{\partial \mathbf{y}} \\ &= \bar{y}' \circ \text{softmax}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{h}} &= \bar{y} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{h}} + \bar{\mathcal{R}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{R}}{\partial \mathbf{h}} \\ &= \mathbf{W}^{(2)T} \bar{y}' + \mathbf{r} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{z}} = \bar{h} \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \bar{\mathbf{h}} \circ I(\mathbf{v} > 0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{x}} &= \bar{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} + \bar{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \\ &= \mathbf{W}^{(1)T} \bar{\mathbf{z}} + \bar{\mathbf{y}} \end{aligned}$$

2.2 Vector-Jacobian Products (VJPs)

2.2.1

$$J = (vv^T)^T = (vv^T) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

2.2.2

Both the time and memory cost are $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$.

2.2.3

$\mathbf{z} = J^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{v} (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y})$. First, compute $\alpha = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y}$ which can be achieved in time and space $\mathcal{O}(n)$. Then, compute $\mathbf{z} = \alpha \mathbf{v}$ which again uses time and space $\mathcal{O}(n)$. For the example,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y} \\ &= 6 \\ \mathbf{z} &= \alpha \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 12 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

3 Linear Regression

3.1 Deriving the Gradient

3.2 Underparametrized Model

3.2.1

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{n} (X \hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t})^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (X \hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t})^T (X \hat{\mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{t}) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (\hat{\mathbf{w}} X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \mathbf{t}^T \mathbf{t} - 2 \mathbf{t}^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}}) \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{w}}} &= \frac{2}{n} (X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} - X^T \mathbf{t}) \end{aligned}$$

3.2.2

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{w}}} \\ &= X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} - X^T \mathbf{t} \\ X^T \mathbf{t} &= X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{w}} &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{t} \end{aligned}$$

Since $X^T X$ is invertible, the solution is unique.

3.3 Overparametrized Model: 2D Example

3.3.1

Since $d < n$, we have that $\text{span}(X) = R^d$. So, let $x \in R^d$, then,

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i x_i, x_i \in X$$

Note that if we plug in $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ into the loss function \mathcal{L} , we would get 0. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mathbf{w}^{*T} x - \hat{\mathbf{w}}^T x) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i (\mathbf{w}^{*T} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}^T) x_i \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

3.3.2

From 3.2.1, we are trying to solve

$$\begin{aligned} X^T t &= X^T X \hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{w}} \end{aligned}$$

From here, we have that any $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ satisfying the line

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}}_2 = 2 - 2\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1$$

will satisfy this equation and thus there are infinitely many solutions.

3.3.3

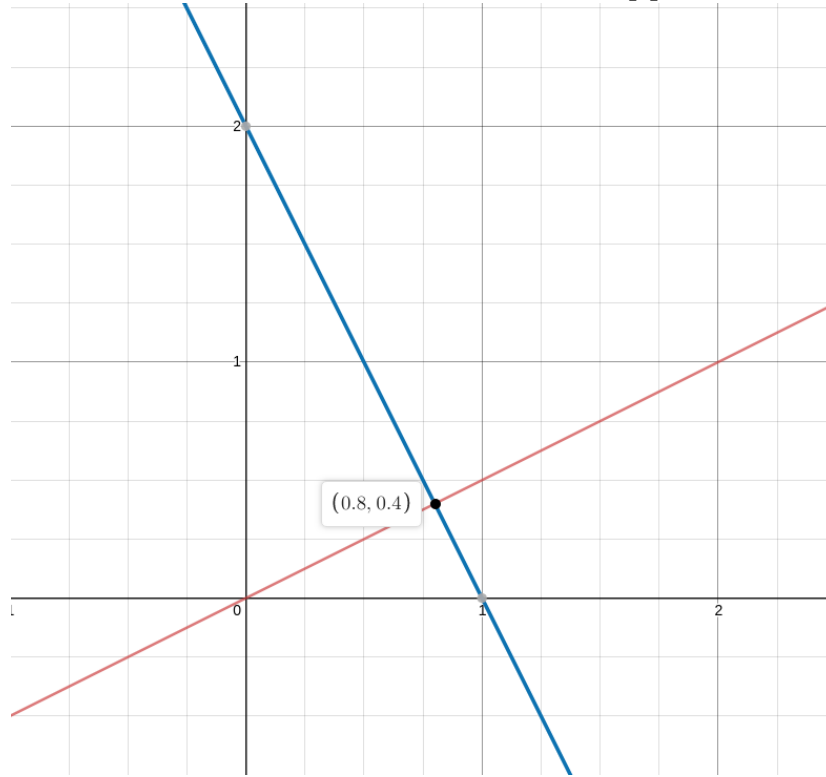
With $\hat{\mathbf{w}}(0) = 0$, we get that the direction of gradient is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{w}}} = -2X^T \mathbf{t} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

From hereon, notice that this direction is perpendicular to the line we found above. Furthermore, if we plug the updated $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ along this direction and evaluate the gradient again, we are still travelling along this line. This is because when we do $y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x$, we still get that $y_2 = 2y_1$, which is exactly the direction of the line. So, overall, the gradient will only travel along this line, with direction $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and y -intercept of 0. Now, gradient descent will go towards the solution that minimizes the loss, which is the intersection between this line $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ and the line $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ satisfies, $y = 2 - 2x$. So, for the solution, we have the intersection

$$\frac{1}{2}x = 2 - 2x \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{5}, y = \frac{2}{5}$$

So, the gradient descent should find the solution $\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \frac{2}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.



From the figure, we can see that these two lines are perpendicular to each other. Note that the Euclidean norm of a vector can be seen as the distance from the point to the origin. The optimal solution, \mathbf{w}^* , as found above is highlighted in the figure and it can be seen that for any other point $p_1 \neq \mathbf{w}^*$ on the red line (the one $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ resides on), \mathbf{w}^* , p_1 , and the origin form a right triangle. By Pythagorean Theorem,

$$\|p_1\|^2 = \|\mathbf{w}^*\|^2 + \|\mathbf{w}^* - p_1\|^2$$

So, since $p_1 \neq \mathbf{w}^*$, we have that the Euclidean norm of \mathbf{w}^* is strictly less than that of p_1 and therefore the gradient descent finds the solution with smallest Euclidean norm.

3.4 Overparametrized Model: General Case

3.4.1

The gradient descent seems to find the solution that satisfies the following, 1. The direction it takes is spanned by the rows of X . 2. The solution it finds is the intersection between the span of the rows of X (i.e. the directions) and the space that $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ resides in. 3. The Euclidean norm of the solution is minimized amongst all (since we start \mathbf{w} at $\vec{0}$).

So, we can re-write our minimization problem to the following,

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{w}}} \hat{\mathbf{w}}^2 \text{ s.t. } X\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{t}$$

Now, we can use Lagrange multiplier and yield the following,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \hat{\mathbf{w}}^2 - \lambda^T(\mathbf{t} - X\hat{\mathbf{w}}) \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \hat{\mathbf{w}}} &= 2\hat{\mathbf{w}} - X^T\lambda \\ 0 &:= 2\hat{\mathbf{w}} - X^T\lambda \\ X^T\lambda &= 2\hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ XX^T\lambda &= 2X\hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ \lambda &= 2(XX^T)^{-1}X\hat{\mathbf{w}} \\ \lambda &= 2(XX^T)^{-1}\mathbf{t} \end{aligned}$$

Now, we plug in the value of λ into $X^T\lambda = 2\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ and get

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = X^T(XX^T)^{-1}\mathbf{t}$$

3.4.2

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\mathbf{w}} &= X^T(XX^T)^{-1}t \\
(\hat{\mathbf{w}} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1)^T \hat{\mathbf{w}} &= (X^T(XX^T)^{-1}t - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1)^T X^T(XX^T)^{-1}t \\
&= t^T(XX^T)^{-T}XX^T(XX^T)^{-1}t - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1^T X^T(XX^T)^{-1}t \\
&= t^T(XX^T)^{-1}t - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1^T X^T(XX^T)^{-1}t \\
&= (t - X\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1)^T(XX^T)^{-1} \\
&= 0 \quad \text{(since } \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1 \text{ is zero-loss)}
\end{aligned}$$

This value shows that the vectors $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ and $\mathbf{u} = \hat{\mathbf{w}} - \hat{\mathbf{w}}_1$ are normal to each other. Similar to the figure in 3.3.3, $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ is our optimal value and implicitly the vector from the origin to this point in space. On the other hand, $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ is some vector in the space of gradient direction (analogous to a vector on the blue line in 3.3.3). Since $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ are perpendicular to each other, we can show similarly to 3.3.3 by Pythagorean Theorem that this solution $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ has the smallest Euclidean norm. In particular, consider the following proof.

Suppose $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ does not have the smallest Euclidean distance so there exists w^* which is the optimal solution so that $\|\mathbf{w}^*\|^2 < \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}\|^2$ for the sake of contradiction. Then, consider three lines: l_1 connecting $\vec{\mathbf{0}}$ to $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$, l_2 connecting $\vec{\mathbf{0}}$ to \mathbf{w}^* , and l_3 connecting $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ to \mathbf{w}^* . It is clear that these three points form a triangle. And $\text{length}(l_1) = \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}\|^2$, $\text{length}(l_2) = \|\mathbf{w}^*\|^2$. Furthermore, since $(\mathbf{w}^* - \hat{\mathbf{w}})\hat{\mathbf{w}} = 0$, l_1 and l_3 are normal to each other and l_2 is the diagonal. By Pythagorean Theorem, l_2 is the longest, and therefore contradiction. Thus, $\|\mathbf{w}^*\|^2 > \|\hat{\mathbf{w}}\|^2$.

3.5 Benefit of Overparametrization

3.5.1

Overparametrization doesn't seem to always lead to larger test error, such can be seen for $n = 70$.

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1
2 def fit_poly(X, d,):
3     X_expand = poly_expand(X, d=d, poly_type = poly_type)
4     if d < n:
5         W = linalg.inv(X_expand.T@X_expand)@X_expand.T@t
6     else:
7         W = X_expand.T@linalg.inv(X_expand@X_expand.T)@t
8     return W

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Listing 1: Linear Regression