Lab 1. PyTorch and ANNs

This lab is a warm up to get you used to the PyTorch programming environment used in the course, and also to help you review and renew your knowledge of Python and relevant Python libraries. The lab must be done individually. Please recall that the University of Toronto plagarism rules apply.

By the end of this lab, you should be able to:

- 1. Be able to perform basic PyTorch tensor operations.
- 2. Be able to load data into PyTorch
- 3. Be able to configure an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) using PyTorch
- 4. Be able to train ANNs using PyTorch
- 5. Be able to evaluate different ANN configuations

You will need to use numpy and PyTorch documentations for this assignment:

- https://docs.scipy.org/doc/numpy/reference/
- https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/torch.html

You can also reference Python API documentations freely.

What to submit

Submit a PDF file containing all your code, outputs, and write-up from parts 1-5. You can produce a PDF of your Google Colab file by going to File -> Print and then save as PDF. The Colab instructions has more information.

Do not submit any other files produced by your code.

Include a link to your colab file in your submission.

Please use Google Colab to complete this assignment. If you want to use Jupyter Notebook, please complete the assignment and upload your Jupyter Notebook file to Google Colab for submission.

Adjust the scaling to ensure that the text is not cutoff at the margins.

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Part 1. Python Basics [3 pt]

The purpose of this section is to get you used to the basics of Python, including working with functions, numbers, lists, and strings.

Note that we will be checking your code for clarity and efficiency.

If you have trouble with this part of the assignment, please review http://cs231n.github.io/python-numpy-tutorial/

Part (a) -- 1pt

Write a function sum_of_cubes that computes the sum of cubes up to n. If the input to sum_of_cubes invalid (e.g. negative or non-integer n), the function should print out "Invalid input" and return -1.

```
def sum_of_cubes(n):
    """Return the sum (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + ... + n^3)

    Precondition: n > 0, type(n) == int

>>> sum_of_cubes(3)
    36
    >>> sum_of_cubes(1)
    1
    """
    return sum([i**3 for i in range(1, n+1)])
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Write a function <code>word_lengths</code> that takes a sentence (string), computes the length of each word in that sentence, and returns the length of each word in a list. You can assume that words are always separated by a space character <code>" "</code>.

Hint: recall the str.split function in Python. If you arenot sure how this function works, try typing help(str.split) into a Python shell, or check out

https://docs.python.org/3.6/library/stdtypes.html#str.split

```
help(str.split)
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def word_lengths(sentence):
    """Return a list containing the length of each word in sentence.
```

```
>>> word_lengths("welcome to APS360!")
[7, 2, 7]
>>> word_lengths("machine learning is so cool")
[7, 8, 2, 2, 4]
"""
return [len(word) for word in sentence.split()]
```

▼ Part (c) -- 1pt

Write a function all_same_length that takes a sentence (string), and checks whether every word in the string is the same length. You should call the function word_lengths in the body of this new function.

```
def all_same_length(sentence):
    """Return True if every word in sentence has the same
    length, and False otherwise.

>>> all_same_length("all same length")
    False
    >>> word_lengths("hello world")
    True
    """
    lengths = word_lengths(sentence)
    return len(set(lengths)) == 1
```

Part 2. NumPy Exercises [5 pt]

In this part of the assignment, you'll be manipulating arrays usign NumPy. Normally, we use the shorter name np to represent the package numpy.

```
import numpy as np
```

▼ Part (a) -- 1pt

The below variables matrix and vector are numpy arrays. Explain what you think <NumpyArray>.size and <NumpyArray>.shape represent.

```
matrix.size
"""

Matrix size represents the number of elements in the matrix, which is 12.
"""

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matrix.shape
"""

Matrix shape represents the number of rows and columns (dimensions) in the matrix, whi
"""

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vector.size
"""

Vector size represents the number of elements in the vector, which is 4.
"""

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vector.shape
"""

Vector shape represents the number of rows and columns (dimensions) in the vector, whi
"""

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```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Perform matrix multiplication output = matrix x vector by using for loops to iterate through the columns and rows. Do not use any builtin NumPy functions. Cast your output into a NumPy array, if it isn't one already.

Hint: be mindful of the dimension of output

```
output = np.zeros(matrix.shape[0])

for i in range(matrix.shape[0]):
    for j in range(matrix.shape[1]):
        output[i] += matrix[i][j] * vector[j]

output

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```

Part (c) -- 1pt

Perform matrix multiplication output2 = matrix x vector by using the function numpy.dot.

We will never actually write code as in part(d), not only because <code>numpy.dot</code> is more concise and easier to read/write, but also performance-wise <code>numpy.dot</code> is much faster (it is written in C and highly optimized). In general, we will avoid for loops in our code.

```
output2 = np.dot(matrix, vector)
output2
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```

Part (d) -- 1pt

As a way to test for consistency, show that the two outputs match.

```
print(output == output2)
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```

Part (e) -- 1pt

Show that using np.dot is faster than using your code from part (c).

You may find the below code snippit helpful:

```
import time

# record the time before running code
start_time = time.time()

# place code to run here
for i in range(matrix.shape[0]):
    for j in range(matrix.shape[1]):
        output[i] += matrix[i][j] * vector[j]

# record the time after the code is run
end_time = time.time()

# compute the difference
diff = end_time - start_time
diff

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```

```
# place code to run here
np.dot(matrix, vector)

# record the time after the code is run
end_time2 = time.time()

# compute the difference
diff2 = end_time2 - start_time2
diff2

Show hidden output
```

Part 3. Images [6 pt]

A picture or image can be represented as a NumPy array of "pixels", with dimensions $H \times W \times C$, where H is the height of the image, W is the width of the image, and C is the number of colour channels. Typically we will use an image with channels that give the Red, Green, and Blue "level" of each pixel, which is referred to with the short form RGB.

You will write Python code to load an image, and perform several array manipulations to the image and visualize their effects.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

▼ Part (a) -- 1 pt

This is a photograph of a dog whose name is Mochi.



Load the image from its url (https://drive.google.com/uc?
export=view&id=1oaLVR2hr1_qzpKQ47i9rVUlklwbDcews) into the variable img using the plt.imread function.

Hint: You can enter the URL directly into the plt.imread function as a Python string.

```
import urllib.request
from PIL import Image

url = 'https://drive.google.com/uc?export=view&id=loaLVR2hr1_qzpKQ47i9rVUIklwbDcews'
response = urllib.request.urlopen(url)
img = np.array(Image.open(response))
img = img / 255.0
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Use the function plt.imshow to visualize img.

This function will also show the coordinate system used to identify pixels. The origin is at the top left corner, and the first dimension indicates the Y (row) direction, and the second dimension indicates the X (column) dimension.

```
plt.imshow(img)
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```

Part (c) -- 2pt

Modify the image by adding a constant value of 0.25 to each pixel in the img and store the result in the variable img_add . Note that, since the range for the pixels needs to be between [0, 1], you will also need to clip img_add to be in the range [0, 1] using numpy.clip. Clipping sets any value that is outside of the desired range to the closest endpoint. Display the image using plt.imshow.

```
img_add = np.clip(img + 0.25, 0, 1)
plt.imshow(img_add)
```

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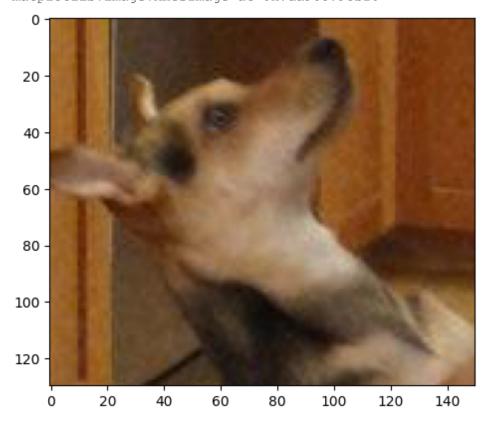
Part (d) -- 2pt

Crop the **original** image (img variable) to a 130 x 150 image including Mochi's face. Discard the alpha colour channel (i.e. resulting img_cropped should **only have RGB channels**)

Display the image.

```
img_cropped = img[20:150, 30:180, :][:, :, :3]
plt.imshow(img_cropped)
```

<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7da96879cb20>



Part 4. Basics of PyTorch [6 pt]

PyTorch is a Python-based neural networks package. Along with tensorflow, PyTorch is currently one of the most popular machine learning libraries.

PyTorch, at its core, is similar to Numpy in a sense that they both try to make it easier to write codes for scientific computing achieve improved performance over vanilla Python by leveraging highly optimized C back-end. However, compare to Numpy, PyTorch offers much better GPU support and provides many high-level features for machine learning. Technically, Numpy can be used to perform almost every thing PyTorch does. However, Numpy would be a lot slower than PyTorch, especially with CUDA GPU, and it would take more effort to write machine learning related code compared to using PyTorch.

import torch

Part (a) -- 1 pt

Use the function torch.from_numpy to convert the numpy array img_cropped into a PyTorch tensor. Save the result in a variable called img_torch.

```
img torch = torch.from numpy(img cropped)
```

Part (b) -- 1pt

Use the method <Tensor>.shape to find the shape (dimension and size) of img_torch.

```
img_torch.shape
```

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Part (c) -- 1pt

How many floating-point numbers are stored in the tensor img_torch?

```
img torch.numel()
```

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Part (d) -- 1 pt

What does the code img_torch.transpose(0,2) do? What does the expression return? Is the original variable img_torch updated? Explain.

```
img_torch.size()
    torch.Size([130, 150, 3])
img_torch.transpose(0,2).size()
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```

The transpose method swaps the dimensions of the tensor. For this case, the tensor has 3 dimensions, thus the first dimension (0) is swapped with the third dimension (2).

By checking the size of the tensors, we can observe that effectively the first and third dimensions are swapped.

▼ Part (e) -- 1 pt

What does the code img_torch.unsqueeze(0) do? What does the expression return? Is the original variable img_torch_updated? Explain.

```
img_torch.size()
     torch.Size([130, 150, 3])
img_torch.unsqueeze(0).size()
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```

The unsqueeze method adds a dimension to the tensor. Image tensors are usually 3-dimensional, and by unsqueezing the tensor a fourth dimension of size 1 is added at the beginning of the tensor (0).

Part (f) -- 1 pt

Find the maximum value of img_torch along each colour channel? Your output should be a one-dimensional PyTorch tensor with exactly three values.

Hint: lookup the function torch.max.

```
max_ = torch.max(img_torch, 0) # Get the maximum value on dimension 0
max_ = torch.max(max_[0], 0) # Get the maximum value on dimension 0 and 1
```

```
max_[0] # Get the maximum value from the tuple
tensor([0.8941, 0.7882, 0.6745], dtype=torch.float64)
```

Part 5. Training an ANN [10 pt]

The sample code provided below is a 2-layer ANN trained on the MNIST dataset to identify digits less than 3 or greater than and equal to 3. Modify the code by changing any of the following and observe how the accuracy and error are affected:

- number of training iterations
- · number of hidden units
- numbers of layers
- types of activation functions
- learning rate

Please select at least three different options from the list above. For each option, please select two to three different parameters and provide a table.

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
from torchvision import datasets, transforms
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # for plotting
import torch.optim as optim
torch.manual seed(1) # set the random seed
# define a 2-layer artificial neural network
class Pigeon(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self):
        super(Pigeon, self). init ()
        self.layer1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, 30)
        self.layer2 = nn.Linear(30, 1)
    def forward(self, img):
        flattened = img.view(-1, 28 * 28)
        activation1 = self.layer1(flattened)
        activation1 = F.relu(activation1)
        activation2 = self.layer2(activation1)
        return activation2
pigeon = Pigeon()
# load the data
mnist data = datasets.MNIST('data', train=True, download=True)
mnist data = list(mnist data)
```

```
mnist train = mnist data[:1000]
mnist val = mnist data[1000:2000]
img_to_tensor = transforms.ToTensor()
# simplified training code to train `pigeon` on the "small digit recognition" task
criterion = nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss()
optimizer = optim.SGD(pigeon.parameters(), lr=0.001, momentum=0.9)
for epoch in range(1):
    for (image, label) in mnist train:
        # actual ground truth: is the digit less than 3?
        actual = torch.tensor(label < 3).reshape([1,1]).type(torch.FloatTensor)</pre>
        # pigeon prediction
        out = pigeon(img to tensor(image)) # step 1-2
        # update the parameters based on the loss
        loss = criterion(out, actual)
                                         # step 3
        loss.backward()
                                           # step 4 (compute the updates for each para
        optimizer.step()
                                           # step 4 (make the updates for each paramet
        optimizer.zero_grad()
                                           # a clean up step for PyTorch
# computing the error and accuracy on the training set
error = 0
for (image, label) in mnist train:
    prob = torch.sigmoid(pigeon(img to tensor(image)))
    if (prob < 0.5 \text{ and label} < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 \text{ and label} >= 3):
        error += 1
print("Training Error Rate:", error/len(mnist train))
print("Training Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist train))
# computing the error and accuracy on a test set
error = 0
for (image, label) in mnist val:
    prob = torch.sigmoid(pigeon(img to tensor(image)))
    if (prob < 0.5 \text{ and label} < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 \text{ and label} >= 3):
        error += 1
print("Test Error Rate:", error/len(mnist_val))
print("Test Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist val))
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# Modified to change the hyperparams faster
learning rate = 0.005
train epochs = 10
hidden units = 100
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
from torchvision import datasets, transforms
```

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # for plotting
import torch.optim as optim
torch.manual seed(1) # set the random seed
# define a 2-layer artificial neural network
class Pigeon(nn.Module):
    def init (self):
        super(Pigeon, self). init ()
        self.layer1 = nn.Linear(28 * 28, hidden units)
        self.layer2 = nn.Linear(hidden units, 1)
    def forward(self, img):
        flattened = img.view(-1, 28 * 28)
        activation1 = self.layer1(flattened)
        activation1 = F.relu(activation1)
        activation2 = self.layer2(activation1)
        return activation2
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optimizer = optim.SGD(pigeon.parameters(), lr=learning rate, momentum=0.9)
for epoch in range(train epochs):
    for (image, label) in mnist train:
        # actual ground truth: is the digit less than 3?
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        if (prob < 0.5 \text{ and label} < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 \text{ and label} >= 3):
```

```
error += 1
print("Training Error Rate:", error/len(mnist_train))
print("Training Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist_train))

# computing the error and accuracy on a test set
error = 0
for (image, label) in mnist_val:
    prob = torch.sigmoid(pigeon(img_to_tensor(image)))
    if (prob < 0.5 and label < 3) or (prob >= 0.5 and label >= 3):
        error += 1

print("Test Error Rate:", error/len(mnist_val))
print("Test Accuracy:", 1 - error/len(mnist_val))

Training Error Rate: 0.0
Training Accuracy: 1.0
Test Error Rate: 0.058
Test Accuracy: 0.942
```

▼ Part (a) -- 3 pt

Comment on which of the above changes resulted in the best accuracy on training data? What accuracy were you able to achieve?

Changed parameter	Value	Training Accuracy
Control (default)		0.923
Number of training iterations	3	0.968
Number of training iterations	5	0.977
Number of training iterations	10	0.997
Number of hidden units	50	0.928
Number of hidden units	100	0.923
Number of hidden units	150	0.925
Learning rate	0.003	0.966
Learning rate	0.005	0.964
Learning rate	0.01	0.961

All the other parameters are the same as the default.

We can observe that the most accurate training came from when iterations where at 10. This is because the more iterations we have, the more the model is trained and the more accurate it becomes. However, we can also observe that the accuracy is not always increasing with the number of iterations. This is because the model is overfitting the training data. There seems to be no significant change on the accuracy as we tweak the number of hidden units, and the same could be

said about the learning rate. We have to consider that this is a very simple model, with a small

Comment on which of the above changes resulted in the best accuracy on testing data? What accuracy were you able to achieve?

Changed parameter	Value	Testing Accuracy
Control (default)		0.887
Number of training iterations	3	0.913
Number of training iterations	5	0.918
Number of training iterations	10	0.927
Number of hidden units	50	0.888
Number of hidden units	100	0.892
Number of hidden units	150	0.887
Learning rate	0.003	0.91
Learning rate	0.005	0.921
Learning rate	0.01	0.918

All the other parameters are the same as the default.

10 iterations yielded the highest testing data accuracy. This means that even though we might think that the model is overfitting the training data, it is still able to generalize well to the testing data. This could be due to the small number of data we input as training and testing and the simplicity of the model itself. Even the number of hidden units and the learning rate did not have a significant impact on the accuracy of the testing data, as they keep a similar ratio to the training accuracy. One thing to note is that making the learning faster has better results on the testing data than the default values set on the Lab.

Which model hyperparameters should you use, the ones from (a) or (b)?

We can't really decide between the two, as both of them had better results when at 10 iterations. However, since the accuracy of training data has a bigger weight when determining the usefulness of a model, if we change the amount of iterations to 10, with a 100 hidden units and a learning rate of 0.005, we can achieve a testing accuracy of 0.042. This is the best result we could achieve with