

5.4 This exercise seems similar to Exercise 4.16.

$$\begin{aligned}
p(\text{True label is 1}) &= p(\text{Correct class label is set} \mid \text{label in dataset is 1}) \\
&+ p(\text{Incorrect class label is set} \mid \text{label in dataset is 0}) \\
&= (1 - \epsilon)t_n + \epsilon(1 - t_n)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
p(\text{True label is 0}) &= p(\text{Correct class label is set} \mid \text{label in dataset is 0}) \\
&+ p(\text{Incorrect class label is set} \mid \text{label in dataset is 1}) \\
&= (1 - \epsilon)(1 - t_n) + \epsilon t_n
\end{aligned}$$

Using cross entropy, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
-\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{w}) &= -\sum_{n=1}^N \{ (t_n(1 - \epsilon) + (1 - t_n)\epsilon) \ln y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) \\
&+ ((1 - t_n)(1 - \epsilon) + t_n\epsilon) \ln(1 - y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w})) \}
\end{aligned}$$

Note : The official solution manual is incorrect here. Let's assume that $\epsilon = 1/2$. In that case, according to the official solution, the cross entropy becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\mathbf{w}) &= -\sum_{n=1}^N \{ t_n \ln[(1 - \epsilon)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) + \epsilon(1 - y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}))] \\
&+ (1 - t_n) \ln[1 - (1 - \epsilon)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) - \epsilon(1 - y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}))] \} \\
&= -\sum_{n=1}^N \{ t_n \ln[(1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) + (1/2)(1 - y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}))] \\
&+ (1 - t_n) \ln[1 - (1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) - (1/2)(1 - y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}))] \}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \sum_{n=1}^N \{t_n \ln[(1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) + (1/2) - (1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w})] \\
&\quad + (1 - t_n) \ln[1 - (1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w}) - (1/2) + (1/2)y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w})]\} \\
&= - \sum_{n=1}^N \{t_n \ln[(1/2)] + (1 - t_n) \ln[1/2]\} \\
&= - \sum_{n=1}^N \{t_n \ln[(1/2)] + \ln[1/2] - t_n \ln[1/2]\} \\
&= - \sum_{n=1}^N \{\ln[1/2]\} \\
&= N \ln[2]
\end{aligned}$$

This would imply that for $\epsilon = 1/2$, the cross-entropy does not depend on the function $y(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{w})$ at all. This is not correct.