

Homework 1

Problem 1 [5pts]:

Suppose there are 4 independent variables. And 3 operations, i.e., addition, multiplication, and power, are allowed in connecting them into an expression. How many different expression can we have? For example, let the 4 variables be A, B, C, and D. Then $A+B * C ^D$ is one expression while $A^B * C+D$ is another. The order of variables matters, e.g., $A+B$ and $B+A$ are two different expressions. Each operator or variable appears in the expression EXACTLY ONCE. No parentheses.

The purpose of this problem is to understand how many different parametric equations can exist among a set of variables, and thus using traditional scientific discovery way to model the relationship between high-dimensional variables is very challenging.

Problem 2 [5pts (2.5pts for correct returns, and 2.5pts for correct plot)]:

In the example code for Unit 1, there is a demo that the score of a neural network changes along with the maximal number of iterations (i.e., the `max_iter` argument in the function `test_NN`). Now, let's visualize the change.

Implement a function `learning_curve` with the following I/O specifications:

```
def learning_curve(Ts, Hs, filename):  
  
    # INSERT YOUR CODE HERE  
  
    return max_iters, scores
```

where - the first two arguments `Ts` and `Hs` (1-D numpy array each, e.g., `[1,2,3]` not `[[1],[2], [3]]`) are the input and corresponding output for a supervised learning task, - the last argument `filename` (string) specifies the filename (Matplotlib uses the suffix to automatically determine the file format) to save the plot, - the 1st return `max_iters` (1-D numpy array) is a sequence of maximal numbers of iterations from 50 to 2000 with a step of 50, - and the 2nd return `scores` (1-D numpy array) is a sequence of scores returned from the function `test_NN`, each of which corresponds to an element in `max_iters`.

Make a line plot between the maximal number of iterations and the score of the NN, and save it as `filename`. Just do basic plot (`matplotlib.pyplot.plt(max_iters, scores)`) with all default settings. No labels nor title needed. Do not adjust figure size, resolution, tick values and locations, etc.

A file `hw1.py` is provided for you to jumpstart. It also includes to test cases. Just finish the definition of `learning_curve`. Do not change other non-commented

```
<class 'numpy.ndarray'> [ 50   100   150   200   250   300   350   400   450   500   550   600   650   700  
    750   800   850   900   950  1000  1050  1100  1150  1200  1250  1300  1350  1400  
    1450  1500  1550  1600  1650  1700  1750  1800  1850  1900  1950  2000]  
<class 'numpy.ndarray'> [-24.51278849 -14.0049323  -7.28061896 -3.24700787 -1.02356304  
    0.10299754  0.62719032  0.85084125  0.93854938  0.95801779  
    0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779  
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    0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779  0.95801779]  
404eacc77aea113aa8ddad886283ed36
```

or this, if on PyRite.cs.iastate.edu:

Note the iteration should go from 50 (including) to 2000 (including). Thus, 50, 100, 150, . . . , 1900, 1950, 2000.

How to submit

Just submit the modified `hw1.py` file. For problem 1, strictly just one line of comment at the top. Just the number. Then insert lines to finish function definition to `learning_curve` below. Feel free to import `numpy` and `matplotlib` in your function definition. Do NOT import modules beyond `numpy` and `matplotlib`.