

Assignment 1

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1 Q1

$\text{softmax}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{x} + c)$ (Note, remember softmax is defined as a function taking in a vector)

Considering element i

$$\frac{e^{x_i}}{\sum_j e^{x_j}} = \frac{e^{x_i+c}}{\sum_j e^{x_j+c}} \quad (1)$$

since,

$$\frac{e^{x_i} e^c}{\sum_j e^{x_j} e^c} = \frac{e^{x_i} \cancel{e^c}}{\sum_j e^{x_j} \cancel{e^c}} \quad (2)$$

QED

This is useful for the trick where $c = -\max_i^n x_i$, since the largest number in the exponential possible is now 0. That is it prevents overflow.

2 Q2 a)

The sigmoid function is

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} = \sigma(x) = (1 + e^{-x})^{-1} = (z)^{-1} \quad (3)$$

Where $z = 1 + e^{-x} = 1 + e^r$, and $r = -x$

Then by simple chain rule

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dz} * \frac{dz}{dr} * \frac{dr}{dx} \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -(1 + e^{-x})^{-2} * e^{-x} * (-1) = e^{-x} * \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \right)^2 = e^{-x} \sigma(x) \sigma(x) \quad (5)$$

Since $e^{-x} = \frac{1-\sigma(x)}{\sigma(x)}$
because

$$\frac{1 - \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}}{\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}} = (1 + e^{-x}) - \frac{1 + e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}} = (1 + e^{-x}) - 1 = e^{-x} \quad (6)$$

Then

$$e^{-x}\sigma(x)\sigma(x) = \frac{1 - \sigma(x)}{\sigma(x)} \sigma(x)\sigma(x) = (1 - \sigma(x))(\sigma(x)) \quad (7)$$

QED

3 Q2 b)

Asume K classes, $\hat{y} = \text{softmax}(\theta) = [\hat{y}_1, \dots, \hat{y}_K] = [\text{softmax}(\theta_1), \dots, \text{softmax}(\theta_K)] = g(\theta_i) = \frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}}$

$$J = CE(y, \hat{y}) = - \sum_i^K y_i \log(\hat{y}_i) \quad (8)$$

Note that the sum is over all the classes and that y is 1-hot so that the sum only picks out one value

$$\nabla_{\theta} J = - \sum_i^K \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} y_i \log(\hat{y}_i) = - \sum_i^K y_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log(g(\theta_i)) = - \sum_i^K y_i \frac{1}{g(\theta_i)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} g(\theta_i) \quad (9)$$

Considering $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} g(\theta_i)$, for an element j of θ , θ_j there are two cases.

Case 1) $j = i$ then note

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} g(\theta_i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} g(\theta_j) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} g(\theta_i) \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{dg(\theta_i)}{d\theta_j} = \frac{d}{d\theta_j} \frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}} = \frac{(\frac{d}{d\theta_j} e^{\theta_i})(\sum_c e^{\theta_c}) - (\frac{d}{d\theta_j} \sum_c e^{\theta_c})(e^{\theta_i})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})^2} \quad (11)$$

Where $(\frac{d}{d\theta_j} \sum_c e^{\theta_c})(e^{\theta_i}) = \frac{d}{d\theta_j} e^{\theta_1} + \dots + e^{\theta_j} + \dots + e^{\theta_K} = e^{\theta_j} = e^{\theta_i}$

So

$$= \frac{(e^{\theta_i})(\sum_c e^{\theta_c}) - (e^{\theta_i})(e^{\theta_i})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})} = \frac{(e^{\theta_i})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})} \frac{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c} - e^{\theta_i})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})} = g(\theta_i) \left(\frac{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}}{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}} - \frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}} \right) \quad (12)$$

$$= g(\theta_i)(1 - g(\theta_i)) = g(\theta_i)(1 - g(\theta_j)) \quad (13)$$

Now in the case there $j \neq i$

$$\frac{dg(\theta_i)}{d\theta_j} = \frac{d}{d\theta_j} \frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_c e^{\theta_c}} = \frac{d}{d\theta_j} e^{\theta_i} \left(\sum_c e^{\theta_c} \right)^{-1} = -e^{\theta_i} \left(\sum_c e^{\theta_c} \right)^{-2} e^{\theta_j} \quad (14)$$

$$= \frac{-(e^{\theta_i})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})} \frac{(e^{\theta_j})}{(\sum_c e^{\theta_c})} = -g(\theta_i)g(\theta_j) \quad (15)$$

Let $t_{ij} = 1$ if $i = j$ and $= 0$, if $i \neq j$, then we can combine both cases as

$$\frac{dg(\theta_i)}{d\theta_j} = g(\theta_i)(t_{ij} - g(\theta_i)) \quad (16)$$

Which can be confirmed with $i = j$, $g(\theta_i)(1 - g(\theta_i)) = g(\theta_i)(1 - g(\theta_j))$ and with $j \neq i$, $g(\theta_i)(0 - g(\theta_j)) = g(\theta_i)(-g(\theta_j)) = -g(\theta_i)(g(\theta_j))$

Now putting it all together we get

$$\nabla_{\theta} J = - \sum_i^K y_i \frac{1}{g(\theta_i)} g(\theta_i) (t_{ij} - g(\theta_i)) \quad (17)$$

Let $t = y = yt$, and since y is 1-hot, this gets vectorized as

$$= -y - g(\theta) = -y - \hat{y} = \hat{y} - y \quad (18)$$

4 Q2c)

Note I used ‘Practical Guide to Matrix Calculus for Deep Learning’ by Andrew Delong [\[HERE\]](#) for this question, which was very helpful in giving identities for matrix calculus. I am using the Hadamard (element-wise) product as \odot

Remember

$$\frac{\partial x^T a}{x} = \frac{\partial a^T x}{x} = a \quad (19)$$

Some definitions:

$\hat{y} = g(\theta) = g(hW_2 + b_2)$, which has dims $\mathbb{R}^{1 \times K}$ (same as y)

$\theta = hW_2 + b_2$, which has dims $\mathbb{R}^{1 \times K}$

$h = \sigma(z) = \sigma(xW_1 + b_1)$, which has dims $\mathbb{R}^{1 \times D_h}$ (same as the derivative $\sigma'(z)$)

$z = xW_1 + b_1$, which has dims $\mathbb{R}^{1 \times D_h}$

and $W_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{D_h \times K}$, $W_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{D_x \times D_h}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times D_x}$

Let $\Delta_2 = \hat{y} - y \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times K}$ be the last error message

$$\nabla_x J = (\hat{y} - y) \left(\frac{d\theta}{dx} \right) = \left(\Delta_2 \left(\frac{d\theta}{dh} \right) \right) \odot \left(\frac{dh}{dx} \right) \quad (20)$$

$$= \left(\Delta_2 \left(\frac{d}{dh} hW_2 + b_2 \right) \right) \odot \left(\frac{dh}{dx} \right) = (\Delta_2 W_2^T) \odot \left(\frac{dh}{dx} \right) = \left((\Delta_2 W_2^T) \odot \left(\frac{dh}{dz} \right) \right) \frac{dz}{dx} \quad (21)$$

$$= \left((\Delta_2 W_2^T) \odot (\sigma'(xW_1 + b_1)) \right) W_1^T \quad (22)$$

Let $\Delta_1 = (\Delta_2 W_2^T) \odot (\sigma'(xW_1 + b_1)) = (\sigma'(xW_1 + b_1)) \odot (\Delta_2 W_2^T) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times D_h}$ be the hidden error message

Then $\Delta_1 W_1^T \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times D_x}$ which is the size we were hoping for.

5 Q2d)

There are the same number of parameters as there are weights and biases which is the size of W_1, W_2, b_1 , and b_2 which is $(D_x * D_h) + (D_h * K) + (1 * D_h) + (1 * K)$

6 Q3a)

From Slide 22 of Lecture 2, the global objective is

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_t \sum_{-c \leq j \leq c, j \neq 0}^T -\log(P(w_{t+j}|w_t)) \quad (23)$$

For a specific outer word w_i and an inner word \hat{r}

$$J_i = -\log(P(\text{word}_i|\hat{r}, W)) = -\log \left(\frac{e^{w_i^T \hat{r}}}{\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}}} \right) = - \left(w_i^T \hat{r} - \log \left(\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \right) \right) \quad (24)$$

$$= -w_i^T \hat{r} + \log \left(\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \right) \quad (25)$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{r}} J_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{r}} w_i^T \hat{r} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{r}} \log \left(\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \right) = -w_i + \frac{1}{\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{r}} \sum_k^{[V]} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}} \right) \quad (26)$$

$$= -w_i + \frac{1}{\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}}} \left(\sum_k^{[V]} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}} \right) w_k^T = -w_i + \sum_k^{[V]} \frac{(e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}) w_k^T}{\sum_j^{[V]} e^{w_j^T \hat{r}}} = -w_i + \sum_k^{[V]} P(\text{word}_k|\hat{r}, W) w_k^T \quad (27)$$

7 Q3b)

Case 1) $j = i$

$$\nabla_{w_j} J_i = -\hat{r} + \frac{1}{\sum_k^{|V|} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \sum_l^{|V|} e^{w_l^T \hat{r}} \quad (28)$$

But the last partial is only not zero when $l = j$ so

$$\nabla_{w_j} J_i = -\hat{r} + \frac{e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \hat{r}}{\sum_k^{|V|} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}} \quad (29)$$

Case 2) $j \neq i$

$$\nabla_{w_j} J_i = -(0) + \frac{e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \hat{r}}{\sum_k^{|V|} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}} = \frac{e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \hat{r}}{\sum_k^{|V|} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}} \quad (30)$$

These can be combined with t_{ij} , where t_{ij} is 1 when $i = j$ and 0 otherwise

$$\nabla_{w_j} J_i = -\hat{r}(t_{ij}) + \frac{e^{w_j^T \hat{r}} \hat{r}}{\sum_k^{|V|} e^{w_k^T \hat{r}}} \quad (31)$$

8 3c)a)

$$J_i(\hat{r}, w_i, w_1, \dots, w_K) = -\log(\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})) - \sum_k^K \log(\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) = z_1 + z_2 \quad (32)$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{r}} z_1 = \frac{-1}{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})} \sigma'(w_i^T \hat{r}) w_i = \frac{-\cancel{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})}(1 - \sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})) w_i}{\cancel{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})}} = (\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r}) - 1) w_i \quad (33)$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{r}} z_2 = - \sum_k^K \frac{1}{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})} \sigma'(-w_k^T \hat{r}) (-w_k) = \sum_k^K \frac{\cancel{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})}(1 - \sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) w_k}{\cancel{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})}} = \sum_k^K (1 - \sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) w_k \quad (34)$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{r}} J_i = (\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r}) - 1) w_i + \sum_k^K (1 - \sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) w_k \quad (35)$$

9 3c)b)

$$J_i(\hat{r}, w_i, w_1, \dots, w_K) = -\log(\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})) - \sum_k^K \log(\sigma(w_k^T \hat{r})) = z_1 + z_2 \quad (36)$$

Case 1) $j = i$

Since $i \notin K$, then $\nabla_{\hat{r}} z_2 = 0$

$$\nabla_{\hat{r}} z_1 = \nabla_{\hat{r}} J_i = \frac{-1}{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})} \sigma'(w_i^T \hat{r}) \hat{r} = \frac{-\cancel{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})}(1 - \sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})) \hat{r}}{\cancel{\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r})}} = (\sigma(w_i^T \hat{r}) - 1) \hat{r} \quad (37)$$

Case 2) $j \neq i$

$\nabla_{w_j} z_1 = 0$

Then for $\nabla_{w_j} z_1$ there are two cases, if $j \neq k$, then $\nabla_{w_j} z_2 = 0$.

If $j = k$,

$$\nabla_{w_j} z_2 = \frac{-1}{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})} \sigma'(-w_k^T \hat{r})(-\hat{r}) = \frac{\cancel{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})}(1 - \sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) \hat{r}}{\cancel{\sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})}} = (1 - \sigma(-w_k^T \hat{r})) \hat{r} \quad (38)$$

A side note that $1 - \sigma(-x) = \sigma(x)$. Proof:

$$1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(-x)}} = \frac{1 + e^x}{1 + e^x} - \frac{1}{1 + e^x} = \frac{1 - 1 + e^x}{1 + e^x} = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} \quad (39)$$

$$= \frac{1(e^x)}{(1/e^x + 1)(e^x)} = \frac{1}{(1/e^x + 1)} = \frac{1}{(e^{-x} + 1)} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \quad (40)$$

These can be combined with t_{ij} , where t_{ij} is 1 when $i = j$ and 0 otherwise

$$\nabla_{w_j} J_i = \nabla_{w_j} z_1 + \nabla_{w_j} z_2 = (\sigma(w_k^T \hat{r}) - t_{ij}) \hat{r} \quad (41)$$

Which works for if $j = k$ (i.e. only update the gradient for words which are in the negative samples and not all words cause that would be a lot unchanging updates)

10 3d)