Effect of Different Optimization Algorithms

1. Introduction

In this notebook, we will use more advanced optimization methods that can speed up learning and perhaps even get us to a better final value for the cost function. Having a good optimization algorithm can be the difference between waiting days vs. just a few hours to get a good result.

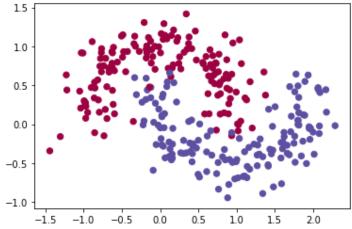
2. Import Packages and Set Default Parameters

- util_func provides some necessary functions for the calculations, e.g., Sigmoid, RELU.
- deep neural network.py provides the functions to construct deep neural network

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In [2]: np.random.seed(20)
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3. Data Set

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In [3]: # Make two interleaving half circles.
        def load moon dataset():
            train x, train y = sklearn.datasets.make moons(n samples = 300, noise = 0.2)
            plt.scatter(train_x[:, 0], train_x[:, 1], c = train_y, s = 40, cmap = plt.cm.Spectral)
            # convert the data to proper shape
            train_x = train_x.T
            train_y = train_y.reshape((1, train_y.shape[0]))
            return train_x, train_y
In [4]: train x, train y = load moon dataset()
        print("Total number of training examples: " + str(train_x.shape[1]))
        print("train x shape: " + str(train x.shape))
        print("train_y shape: " + str(train_y.shape))
        print("Example of y values: " + str(train_y[0, 0:10]))
        Total number of training examples: 300
        train x shape: (2, 300)
        train y shape: (1, 300)
        Example of y values: [1 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0]
          1.5
          1.0
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4. Some Useful Functions

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In [5]: # use the trained params to predict

def predict(params, X):
    """
    Arguments:
    X: input features
    params: trained weight matrices and bias vectors of the neural network

    Returns:
    predicted Labels for X, with the shape of (1, number of examples)
    """
    Aout, _ = L_layer_forward(X, params)
    m = X.shape[1] # number of examples
    Aout.reshape(1, m)
    Aout = (Aout > 0.5)
    return Aout
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In [6]: # print the model accuracy

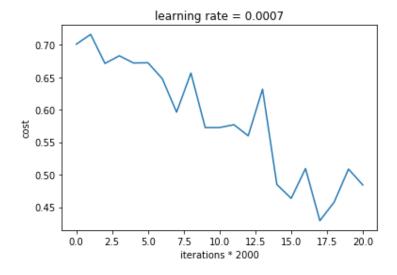
def accuracy(params, X, Y):
    """
    Arguments:
    X: input features
    params: trained weight matrices and bias vectors of the neural network
    Y: true labels
    """
    Aout = predict(params, X)
    m = X.shape[1]
    print("Accuracy: " + str(np.sum(Aout == Y) / m))
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In [7]: | # plot the decision boundary contour
        def plot_dicision_boundary(model, X, Y):
            Arguments:
            model: the function that inputs X and outputs the predicted labels.
            X: the input features
            Y: the true labels
            # set min and max values and give some padding
            x1_{min}, x1_{max} = min(X[0, :]) - 1, max(X[0, :]) + 1
            x2_{min}, x2_{max} = min(X[1, :]) - 1, max(X[1, :]) + 1
            h = 0.01 # interval of the grid
            x1, x2 = np.meshgrid(np.arange(x1_min, x1_max, h), np.arange(x2_min, x2_max, h))
            # flatten x1 and x2 to 1-D arrays, concatenate along second axis, and transpose
            Z = model(np.c_[x1.ravel(), x2.ravel()].T) # Z.shape = (1, total number of grid points)
            Z = Z.reshape(x1.shape)
            # plot the contour
            plt.contourf(x1, x2, Z, cmap = plt.cm.Spectral)
            plt.scatter(X[0, :], X[1, :], c = Y[0, :], s = 40, cmap = plt.cm.Spectral)
            plt.show()
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5. Mini-Batch Gradient Descent

5.1 Training Model

current iteration: 1, cost: 0.7007964937790496 current iteration: 2000, cost: 0.6718161013066676 current iteration: 4000, cost: 0.65641072260349 current iteration: 6000, cost: 0.5598344828166739 current iteration: 8000, cost: 0.5094451041228053 current iteration: 10000, cost: 0.4841938516700022

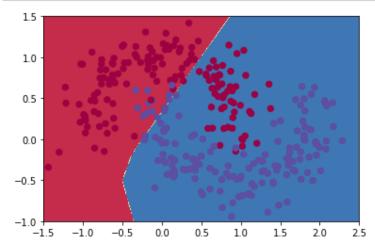


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In [9]: print("For the training set:")
accuracy(params_gd, train_x, train_y)
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5.2. Result Analysis

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In [10]: # plot the decision boundary for the training set

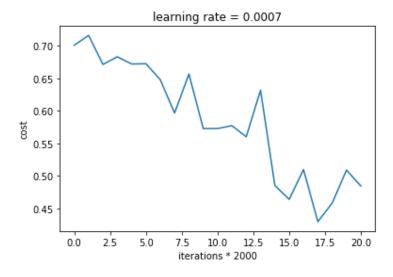
axes = plt.gca()
axes.set_xlim([-1.5,2.5])
axes.set_ylim([-1,1.5])
plot_dicision_boundary(lambda x : predict(params_gd, x), train_x, train_y)
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6. Mini-Batch Gradient Descent with Momentum

6.1 Training Model

current iteration: 1, cost: 0.7008182948910132 current iteration: 2000, cost: 0.6718835514983449 current iteration: 4000, cost: 0.6564823320114743 current iteration: 6000, cost: 0.559894387500654 current iteration: 8000, cost: 0.5094784653193285 current iteration: 10000, cost: 0.4842462611387612



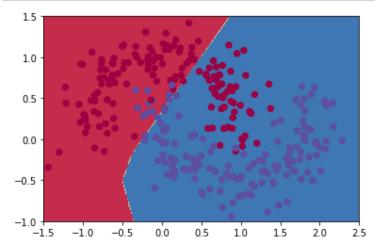
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In [12]: print("For the training set:")
accuracy(params_momentum, train_x, train_y)
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For the training set:
Accuracy: 0.7733333333333333

6.2 Result Analysis

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In [13]: # plot the decision boundary for the training set

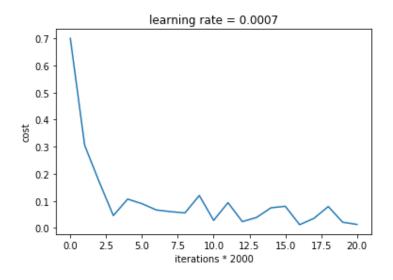
axes = plt.gca()
axes.set_xlim([-1.5,2.5])
axes.set_ylim([-1,1.5])
plot_dicision_boundary(lambda x : predict(params_momentum, x), train_x, train_y)
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7. Mini-Batch Gradient Descent with Adam

7.1 Training Model

current iteration: 1, cost: 0.6997518988140993 current iteration: 2000, cost: 0.10671253053231733 current iteration: 4000, cost: 0.055618139697012896 current iteration: 6000, cost: 0.02360809485530101 current iteration: 8000, cost: 0.012243976148593827 current iteration: 10000, cost: 0.013220960272390834



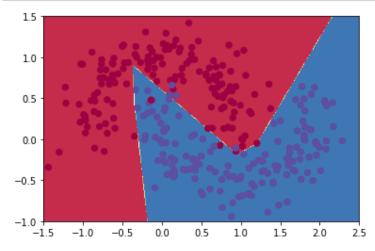
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In [15]: print("For the training set:")
accuracy(params_adam, train_x, train_y)
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For the training set: Accuracy: 0.98

7.2 Result Analysis

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In [16]: # plot the decision boundary for the training set

axes = plt.gca()
axes.set_xlim([-1.5,2.5])
axes.set_ylim([-1,1.5])
plot_dicision_boundary(lambda x : predict(params_adam, x), train_x, train_y)
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8. Summary

Momentum usually helps, but given the small learning rate and the simplistic dataset, its impact is almost negligeable. Also, the huge oscillations you see in the cost come from the fact that some minibatches are more difficult thans others for the optimization algorithm.

Adam on the other hand, clearly outperforms mini-batch gradient descent and Momentum. If we run the model for more epochs on this simple dataset, all three methods will lead to very good results. However, we've seen that Adam converges a lot faster.