# module4-nn-12

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# 1 Lab Session #6.2

# 1.1 Computational Neurophysiology [E010620A]

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## 1.2 Neural-network exercise

Before executing this notebook make sure that you have a recent version of PyTorch and Torchvision installed. The packages can easily be installed within an Anaconda environment: - conda install -c pytorch pytorch torchvision

Otherwise, the packages can also be installed using pip: - pip install torch torchvision

The notebook was tested in an Anaconda environment (v4.9.2) with Python v3.7.9 and Pytorch v1.6.0.

```
[1]: # this solves an error with plotting images when using Pytorch
import os
os.environ["KMP_DUPLICATE_LIB_OK"]="TRUE"
```

```
[2]: # import all necessary modules
from pathlib import Path

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import time
from collections import defaultdict

import torch
from torchvision import datasets
import torchvision.transforms as transforms

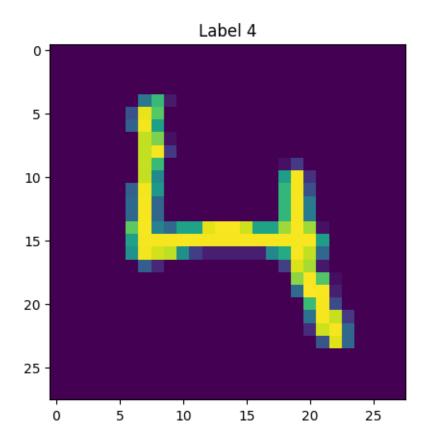
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
import torch.optim as optim
```

# 1.2.1 1. Analysis and tuning of neural-network responses

Train a CNN model to classify handwritten digits We will use the MNIST dataset to train a neural-network that can classify handwritten digits.

```
[21]: # Download MNIST dataset
      path = Path('./')
      transform = transforms.Compose(
          [transforms.ToTensor(),
           transforms.Normalize((0.1307,), (0.3081,)), # normalize based on the mean \Box
       \hookrightarrow and std
           ])
      trainset = datasets.MNIST(path, train=True, download=True, transform=transform)
      train_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(trainset, batch_size=16,_
       ⇔shuffle=True)
      testset = datasets.MNIST(path, train=False, transform=transform)
      test_loader = torch.utils.data.DataLoader(testset, batch_size=256, shuffle=True)
[22]: # Visualize an image from the dataset
      for i, data in enumerate(train_loader):
          images, labels = data
          break
      print('Shape of images from one batch : ', images.shape)
      print('Shape of labels from one batch : ', labels.shape)
      plt.imshow(images[0, 0])
      plt.title('Label {}'.format(labels[0]));
      plt.show()
     Shape of images from one batch : torch.Size([16, 1, 28, 28])
```

Shape of labels from one batch : torch.Size([16])



Define the neural network.

```
[48]: # the CNN is defined here
      class Net(nn.Module):
          def __init__(self):
              super(Net, self).__init__()
              # 1 input image channel, 6 output channels, 3x3 square convolution
              # kernel
              self.conv1 = nn.Conv2d(1, 6, 3, padding=1)
              self.conv2 = nn.Conv2d(6, 16, 3, padding=1)
              self.fc1 = nn.Linear(16 * 7 * 7, 120) # 7*7 from image dimension
              self.fc2 = nn.Linear(120, 84)
              self.fc3 = nn.Linear(84, 10)
              # Set whether to readout activation
              self.readout = False
          def forward(self, x):
              # Max pooling over a (2, 2) window
              11 = F.max_pool2d(F.relu(self.conv1(x)), 2)
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12 = F.max_pool2d(F.relu(self.conv2(l1)), 2)
12_flat = torch.flatten(l2, start_dim=1) # flatten tensor, while_
**keeping batch dimension

13 = F.relu(self.fc1(l2_flat))
14 = F.relu(self.fc2(l3))
y = self.fc3(l4)

if self.readout:
    return {'l1': l1, 'l2': l2, 'l3': l3, 'l4': l4, 'y': y} # names of_
**the layers
else:
    return y
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Train the network on MNIST until it reaches 95% accuracy. It should take only  $\sim 500\text{-}1000$  training steps.

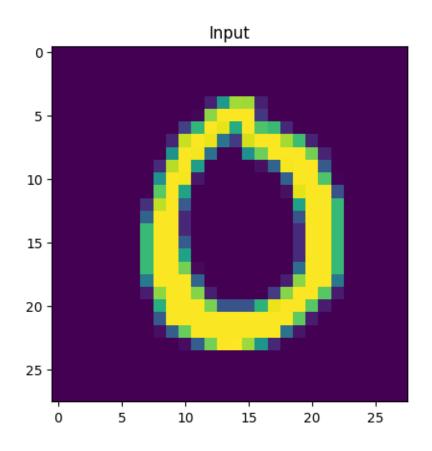
```
[49]: # Instantiate the network and print information
      net = Net()
      print(net)
      # Use Adam optimizer
      optimizer = optim.Adam(net.parameters(), lr=0.01)
      criterion = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()
      # Train for only one epoch
      running_loss = 0
      running_acc = 0
      for i, data in enumerate(train_loader):
          image, label = data
          # in your training loop:
          optimizer.zero_grad() # zero the gradient buffers
          output = net(image)
          loss = criterion(output, label)
          loss.backward()
          optimizer.step() # Does the update
          # prediction
          prediction = torch.argmax(output, axis=-1)
          acc = torch.mean((label == prediction).float())
          running_loss += loss.item()
          running_acc += acc
          if i % 100 == 99:
              running_loss /= 100
              running acc /= 100
              print('Step {}, Loss {:0.4f}, Acc {:0.3f}'.format(
```

```
i+1, running_loss, running_acc))
        if running_acc > 0.95:
            break
        running_loss, running_acc = 0, 0
Net(
  (conv1): Conv2d(1, 6, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1))
  (conv2): Conv2d(6, 16, kernel_size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1), padding=(1, 1))
  (fc1): Linear(in_features=784, out_features=120, bias=True)
  (fc2): Linear(in_features=120, out_features=84, bias=True)
  (fc3): Linear(in_features=84, out_features=10, bias=True)
)
Step 100, Loss 0.9354, Acc 0.676
Step 200, Loss 0.3131, Acc 0.909
Step 300, Loss 0.2772, Acc 0.921
Step 400, Loss 0.2572, Acc 0.928
Step 500, Loss 0.2462, Acc 0.933
Step 600, Loss 0.1989, Acc 0.941
Step 700, Loss 0.2612, Acc 0.933
Step 800, Loss 0.1684, Acc 0.952
```

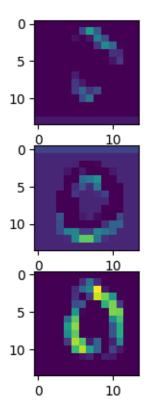
Visualize the activity of each layer of the trained network to an input digit from the test dataset.

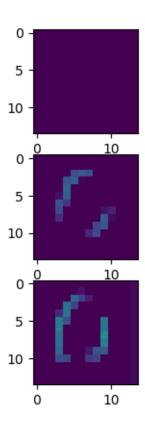
```
[84]: for i, data in enumerate(test_loader):
          images, labels = data
          break
      # Readout network activity
      net.readout = True
      activity = net(images)
      n_images = len(labels)
      # transform the input and output data to numpy variables
      ind = np.argsort(labels.numpy())
      images = images.detach().numpy()[ind]
      labels = labels.numpy()[ind]
      # extract the activity of each layer
      for key, val in activity.items():
          new_val = val.detach().numpy()[ind]
          activity[key] = new_val
      # pick one image
      i_image = 0
      plt.imshow(images[i_image, 0]) # show the input
      plt.title('Input')
```

```
layers = ['11', '12', '13', '14', 'y'] # the layer names
layers_titles = ['Layer 1 (6 channels)', 'Layer 2 (16 channels)', 'Layer 3 (120__
 →Units)','Layer 4 (84 Units)','Output (10 Classes)']
for layeri, layer in enumerate(layers):
   act = activity[layer]
   act = act[i image]
   if len(act.shape) == 3:
       n_channels = act.shape[0]
       if n_channels == 6:
          n_x, n_y = 2, 3
       elif n_channels == 16:
          n_x, n_y = 4, 4
       else:
          n_x, n_y = n_{channels}, 1
       vmax = np.max(act)
       fig, axs = plt.subplots(n y, n x)
       fig.suptitle(layers_titles[layeri])
       for i channel in range(n channels):
          ax = axs[np.mod(i_channel, n_y), i_channel//n_y]
          ax.imshow(act[i channel], vmin=0, vmax=vmax)
           #ax.set axis off()
       #plt.tight_layout()
   elif len(act.shape) == 1:
       if act.shape[0] == 10:
          print(act.shape)
       fig = plt.figure()
       plt.imshow(act[:, np.newaxis], aspect='auto')
       plt.title(layers_titles[layeri])
       #plt.axis('off')
print('Predicted label:', labels[i_image])
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(10,)
Predicted label: 0
```

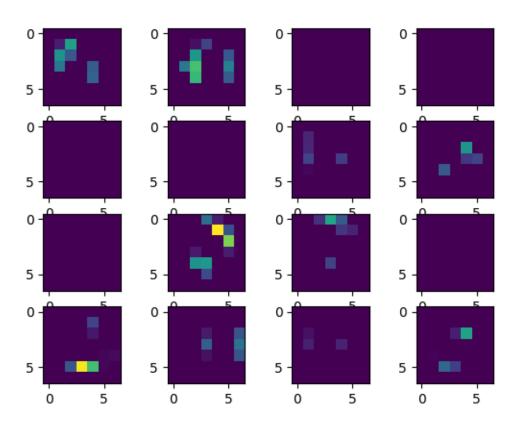


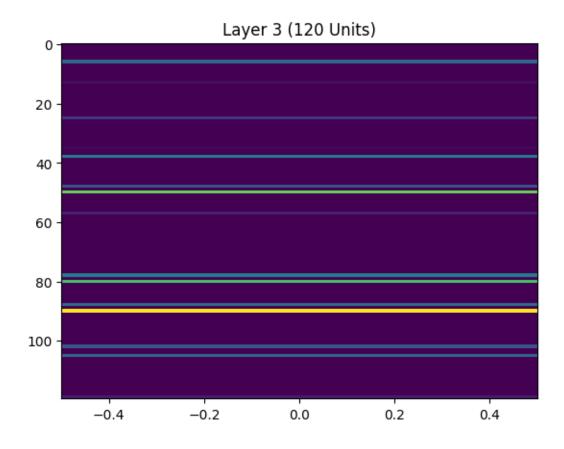
Layer 1 (6 channels)

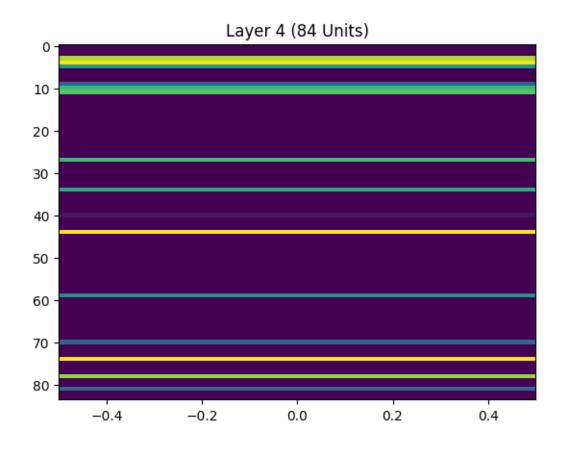


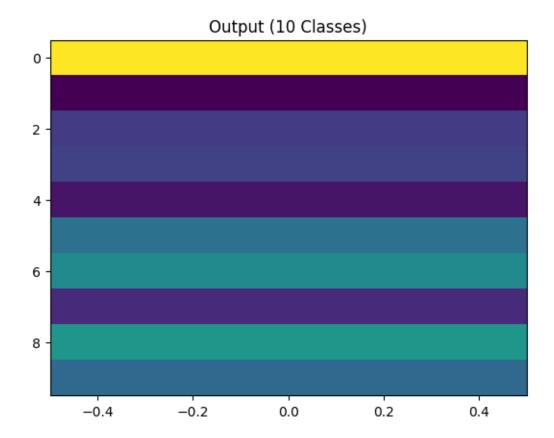


Layer 2 (16 channels)









Tuning analysis of specific neurons of the neural-network Studying tuning properties of single neurons has been one of the most important analysis techniques in neuroscience. In neuroscience, it is interesting to know how certain stimuli can activate specific neurons. A tuning can be performed to investigate what the most optimal input stimulus is to fully activate a neuron (eg. an auditory stimulus with a specific frequency pattern that activates a specific neuron in the auditory cortex, a visual stimulus with a specific pattern that activates neurons in the visual cortex, etc.). Using this knowledge, these inputs can be used as building blocks to investigate more complex stimuli by decomposing it into its building blocks.

Similar to tuning methods of biological neurons, we will choose a neuron (node) from a layer of the trained CNN and find the preferred input image that most strongly activates this specific neuron (node) using gradient-based optimization. This can give us an idea of which patterns in an image are important to activate specific neurons (nodes) and therefore to decide on which number is visualized in the image. This method is particularly useful for studying neurons with complex tuning properties in higher layers.

```
[104]: # the gradient-based optimization function is defined here

def get_syn_image(layer,ind=[]):
    # Here syn_image is the variable to be optimized
    # Initialized randomly for search in parallel
    # the ind variable can be given to manually select the
```

```
# neuron index
  batch_size = 64
  image_size = [batch_size] + list(images.shape[1:])
  syn_image_init = np.random.rand(*image_size)
  syn_image = torch.tensor(syn_image_init, requires_grad=True, dtype=torch.
⊶float32)
  # Use Adam optimizer
  optimizer = optim.Adam([syn_image], lr=0.01)
  running_loss = 0
  running_loss_reg = 0
  for i in range(1000):
                             # zero the gradient buffers
      optimizer.zero_grad()
      syn_image.data.clamp_(min=0.0, max=1.0)
      syn_image_transform = (syn_image - 0.1307) / 0.3081
      activity = net(syn_image_transform)
      # Pick a neuron, and minimize its negative activity
      neuron = activity[layer]
      # Choose a neuron that is already most activated
      if i == 0 and not ind:
          neuron_avg = np.mean(neuron.detach().numpy(), axis=0)
          ind = np.argsort(neuron_avg.flatten())[-1]
          print('Chosen unit', ind) # the selected neuron
      neuron = neuron.view(batch_size, -1)[:, ind]
      if i == 0:
          print('Layer', layer)
          neuron_init = neuron.detach().numpy()
      loss = -torch.mean(torch.square(neuron))
      loss_reg = torch.mean(torch.square(syn_image_transform)) * 100
      loss += loss reg
      loss.backward()
      optimizer.step()
      running_loss += loss.item()
      running_loss_reg += loss_reg.item()
      if i % 100 == 99:
          running_loss /= 100
          running_loss_reg /= 100
          print('Step {}, Loss {:0.4f} Loss Regularization {:0.4f}'.format(
              i+1, running_loss, running_loss_reg))
          running_loss, running_loss_reg = 0, 0
```

```
neuron = neuron.detach().numpy()
    syn_image = syn_image.detach().numpy()
    return syn_image, syn_image_init, neuron, ind

# run the optimization
layer = 'y' # the output layer is chosen
syn_image, syn_image_init, neuron, neuron_ind = get_syn_image(layer)
```

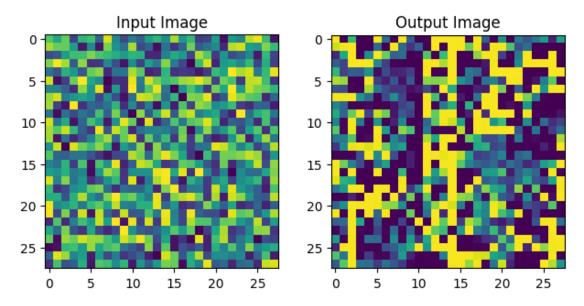
```
Chosen unit 3
Layer y
Step 100, Loss -839.0787 Loss Regularization 143.9943
Step 200, Loss -2907.6027 Loss Regularization 213.6456
Step 300, Loss -3357.7404 Loss Regularization 236.9315
Step 400, Loss -3529.1842 Loss Regularization 245.1437
Step 500, Loss -3605.4151 Loss Regularization 249.0957
Step 600, Loss -3642.4528 Loss Regularization 251.3316
Step 700, Loss -3665.3252 Loss Regularization 252.7163
Step 800, Loss -3695.6238 Loss Regularization 254.5184
Step 1000, Loss -3705.9981 Loss Regularization 255.0857
```

Layer y

The above method takes a randomly selected input (syn\_image\_init) and optimizes it to maximize the activity of a specific neuron (neuron\_ind) of the selected layer (layer). The result is the optimized input (syn\_image) that most strongly activates the specific neuron of the selected layer. Visualize the input before and after the optimization procedure to see the effect that this procedure has on the stimulus. What can you tell about the optimized stimulus?

```
[105]: syn_image, syn_image_init, neuron, neuron_ind = get_syn_image(layer, ind=1) print(syn_image.shape)
```

```
fig.tight_layout()
axs[0].imshow(input_image)
axs[0].set_title('Input Image')
axs[1].imshow(output_image)
axs[1].set_title('Output Image')
plt.show()
```



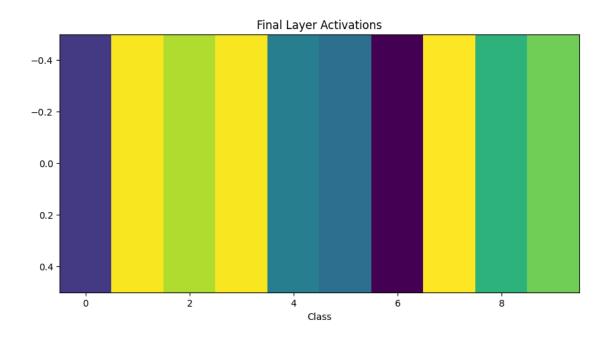
Your answer here

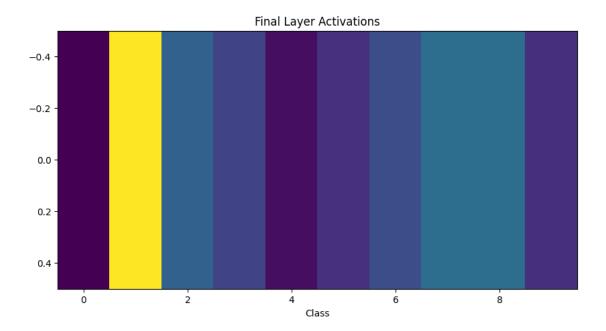
Now give the two images (before and after the optimization) as inputs to the neural-network and visualize the outputs of the selected layer to these two inputs. For this, you can use the code of the previous section ("Visualize the activity of each layer of the trained network to an input digit from the test dataset") and plot only the output of the last layer. Can you tell from the plotted outputs of the layer which neuron was optimized? Do you notice a difference in the activity of the specific neuron after driving the neural-network with the optimized input?

Make sure that the inputs to the neural-network are of float32 type and 4-dimensional (B, 1, H, W), where B is the batch size (here 1) and H, W are the height and width dimensions of the image. To facilitate a better comparison, it is better to use the same colorscale for both inputs and outputs (by setting one common vmax limit for imshow).

```
[114]: # reshaping input images
```

```
original_input = torch.from_numpy(syn_image_init).float() # read as tensor_
 ⇔instead of array
original_input = F.interpolate(original_input, size=(28, 28), mode='bilinear', ___
 →align_corners=False) # resize to 28x28
optimized_input = torch.from_numpy(syn_image).float()
optimized_input = F.interpolate(optimized_input, size=(28, 28),__
 →mode='bilinear', align_corners=False)
# imas to NN:
net.readout = True # get layer outputs
output_original = net(original_input)
output_optimized = net(optimized_input)
# last layer's output
output_original_last = output_original['y'].detach().numpy()
output_optimized_last = output_optimized['y'].detach().numpy()
# plotting input
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.imshow(output_original_last[0, np.newaxis], aspect='auto')
plt.xlabel('Class')
plt.title('Final Layer Activations')
plt.show()
# plotting output
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.imshow(output_optimized_last[0, np.newaxis], aspect='auto')
plt.xlabel('Class')
plt.title('Final Layer Activations')
plt.show()
```





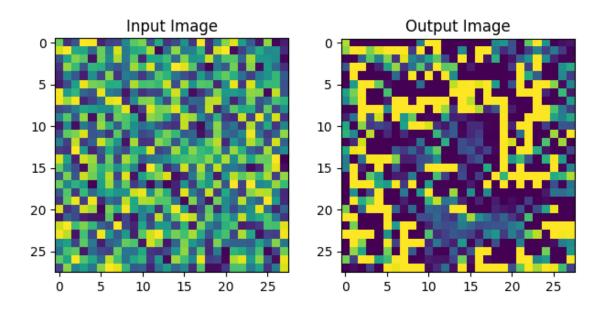
Your answer here

Perform the same tuning analysis for a neuron of a convolutional layer of the neural-network. What differences do you see in the image that the optimization method gives for a convolutional layer,

when compared to the one you got for the output (dense) layer of the neural network?

```
Chosen unit 48
Layer 13
Step 100, Loss -91.0352 Loss Regularization 105.7331
Step 200, Loss -646.7165 Loss Regularization 171.2205
Step 300, Loss -774.4980 Loss Regularization 200.5946
Step 400, Loss -807.8452 Loss Regularization 208.5060
Step 500, Loss -823.4282 Loss Regularization 211.6003
Step 600, Loss -832.2222 Loss Regularization 213.2554
Step 700, Loss -835.2106 Loss Regularization 213.9934
Step 800, Loss -837.7871 Loss Regularization 214.3758
Step 900, Loss -839.8371 Loss Regularization 214.7700
Step 1000, Loss -840.8332 Loss Regularization 215.0745
```

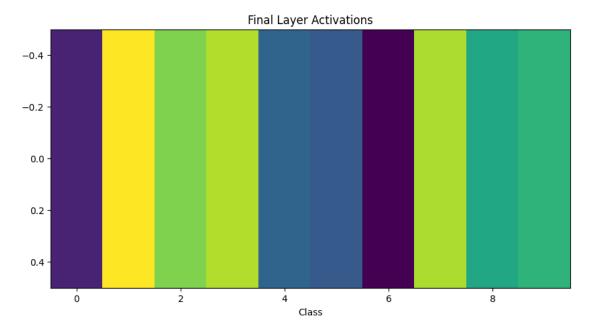
# Convolutional layer

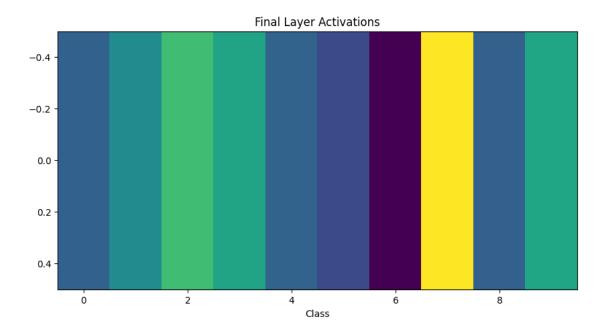


```
[121]: # reshaping input images
       original_input_con = torch.from_numpy(syn_image_init_con).float() # read as_
       ⇔tensor instead of array
       original_input_con = F.interpolate(original_input_con, size=(28, 28), __
        →mode='bilinear', align_corners=False) # resize to 28x28
       output_con = torch.from_numpy(syn_image_con).float()
       output_con = F.interpolate(output_con, size=(28, 28), mode='bilinear', u
        ⇒align_corners=False)
       # imgs to NN:
       net.readout = True # get layer outputs
       output_original_con = net(original_input_con)
       output_optimized_con = net(output_con)
       # last layer's output
       output_original_con_last = output_original_con['y'].detach().numpy()
       output_optimized_con_last = output_optimized_con['y'].detach().numpy()
       # plotting input
       plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
       plt.imshow(output_original_con_last[0, np.newaxis], aspect='auto')
       plt.xlabel('Class')
```

```
plt.title('Final Layer Activations')
plt.show()

# plotting output
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.imshow(output_optimized_con_last[0, np.newaxis], aspect='auto')
plt.xlabel('Class')
plt.title('Final Layer Activations')
plt.show()
```





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## 1.2.2 2. Predicting cognitive tasks with neural-networks

Training an LSTM to perform a simple memory task An input stream of numbers (from -1 to 1) is sequentially presented at fixed time intervals (e.g. every 1 ms). The task is to keep in memory the presented number when the "memorize" stimulus is given and report back the memorized value when the "report" stimulus is given. The "memorize" and "report" signals can be given at any time point inside the selected sequence length (seq\_len), which corresponds to the memory duration needed to perform the task. This will demonstrate how you can implement a neural network with a temporal memory.

```
t_stim = np.random.randint(int(seq_len)/2, size=(batch_size,))
    t_test = np.random.randint(int(seq_len)/2, seq_len-1,___

size=(batch_size,))
    inputs[t_start + t_stim, range(batch_size), 1] = 1
    inputs[t_start + t_test, range(batch_size), 2] = 1

    outputs[t_start + t_test, range(batch_size), 0] = inputs[t_start +__
    st_stim, range(batch_size), 0]

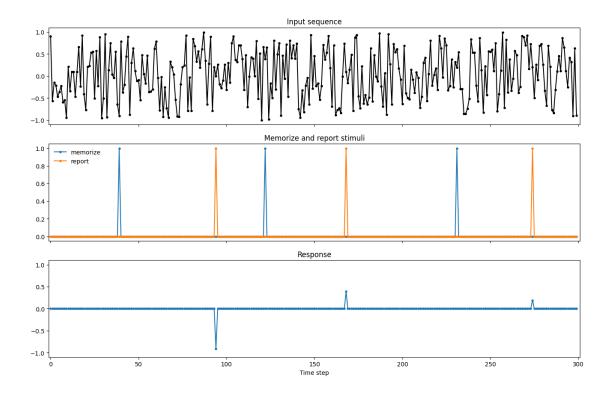
return inputs, outputs

# generate the input and output datasets providing the desired parameters of__
    sthe memory task
inputs, outputs = memory_task(seq_len=100, batch_size=32, n_repeat=3)
```

Show an example case of the task for a sample trial.

```
[123]: # pick a trial to visualize
       i_trial = 0
       kwargs = {'marker': 'o', 'markersize': 3}
       fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 1, sharex=True, figsize=(16,10))
       ax = axes[0]
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 0], label='stimulus', color='black', **kwargs)
       ax.title.set_text('Input sequence')
       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1);ax.set_xlim(-1,301)
       ax = axes[1]
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 1], label='memorize', **kwargs)
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 2], label='report', **kwargs)
       ax.title.set_text('Memorize and report stimuli')
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax = axes[2]
       ax.plot(outputs[:, i_trial, 0], label='target', **kwargs)
       ax.title.set_text('Response')
       ax.set xlabel('Time step')
       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1)
```

[123]: (-1.1, 1.1)



We define an one-unit LSTM network that will be trained to perform this task. A custom LSTM implementation in raw pytorch is used to provide access to the neural-network's gating variables.

```
[124]: # the LSTM is defined here
       class MyLSTM(nn.Module):
           """Manual implementation of LSTM."""
           def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size):
               super().__init__()
               self.input_size = input_size
               self.hidden_size = hidden_size
               self.input2h = nn.Linear(input_size, 4*hidden_size)
               self.h2h = nn.Linear(hidden_size, 4*hidden_size)
               self.readout = False # whether to readout activity
           def init_hidden(self, input):
               batch_size = input.shape[1]
               return (torch.zeros(batch_size, self.hidden_size).to(input.device),
                       torch.zeros(batch_size, self.hidden_size).to(input.device))
           def recurrence(self, input, hidden):
               """Recurrence helper."""
```

```
hx, cx = hidden
    gates = self.input2h(input) + self.h2h(hx)
    ingate, forgetgate, cellgate, outgate = gates.chunk(4, dim=1)
    ingate = torch.sigmoid(ingate)
    forgetgate = torch.sigmoid(forgetgate)
    cellgate = torch.tanh(cellgate)
    outgate = torch.sigmoid(outgate)
    cy = (forgetgate * cx) + (ingate * cellgate)
    hy = outgate * torch.tanh(cy)
    if self.readout:
        result = {
            'ingate': ingate,
            'outgate': outgate,
            'forgetgate': forgetgate,
            'input': cellgate,
            'cell': cy,
            'output': hy,
        return (hy, cy), result
    else:
        return hy, cy
def forward(self, input, hidden=None):
    if hidden is None:
        hidden = self.init_hidden(input)
    if not self.readout:
        # Regular forward
        output = []
        for i in range(input.size(0)):
            hidden = self.recurrence(input[i], hidden)
            output.append(hidden[0])
        output = torch.stack(output, dim=0)
        return output, hidden
    else:
        output = []
        result = defaultdict(list) # dictionary with default as a list
        for i in range(input.size(0)):
            hidden, res = self.recurrence(input[i], hidden)
            output.append(hidden[0])
            for key, val in res.items():
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result[key].append(val)
            output = torch.stack(output, dim=0)
            for key, val in result.items():
                result[key] = torch.stack(val, dim=0)
            return output, hidden, result
class Net(nn.Module):
    """Recurrent network model."""
    def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size, **kwargs):
        super().__init__()
        # self.rnn = nn.LSTM(input_size, hidden_size, **kwarqs)
        self.rnn = MyLSTM(input_size, hidden_size, **kwargs)
        self.fc = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)
    def forward(self, x):
        rnn_activity, _ = self.rnn(x)
        out = self.fc(rnn_activity)
        return out, rnn_activity
```

Train the network until it reaches a loss close to 0 (<1e-4). Sometimes the training takes some time to reach the desired loss, you can wait or otherwise restart the training.

```
[126]: # Using custom LSTM, ~30% slower on CPUs compare to native LSTM
       net = Net(input_size=3, hidden_size=1, output_size=1)
       # Use Adam optimizer
       optimizer = optim.Adam(net.parameters(), lr=0.01)
       criterion = nn.MSELoss()
       running_loss = 0
       start_time = time.time()
       print step = 500
       for i in range(20000):
           seq_len = np.random.randint(5, 20) # Help learning and generalization
           inputs, labels = memory_task(seq_len=seq_len, batch_size=16, n_repeat=3)
           inputs = torch.from_numpy(inputs).type(torch.float)
           labels = torch.from_numpy(labels).type(torch.float)
                                  # zero the gradient buffers
           optimizer.zero_grad()
           output, activity = net(inputs)
           loss = criterion(output, labels)
           loss.backward()
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optimizer.step() # Does the update

running_loss += loss.item()
if i % print_step == (print_step - 1):
    running_loss /= print_step
    print('Step {}, Loss {:0.4f}'.format(i+1, running_loss))

# print('Time per step {:0.3f}ms'.format((time.time()-start_time)/
i*1e3))

if running_loss < 1e-4:
    break
    running_loss = 0</pre>
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Step 500, Loss 0.0306
Step 1000, Loss 0.0057
Step 1500, Loss 0.0006
Step 2000, Loss 0.0003
Step 2500, Loss 0.0004
Step 3000, Loss 0.0002
Step 3500, Loss 0.0002
Step 4000, Loss 0.0002
Step 4500, Loss 0.0002
Step 5000, Loss 0.0001
Step 5500, Loss 0.0001
Step 6000, Loss 0.0002
Step 6500, Loss 0.0001
Step 7000, Loss 0.0002
Step 7500, Loss 0.0001
Step 8000, Loss 0.0001
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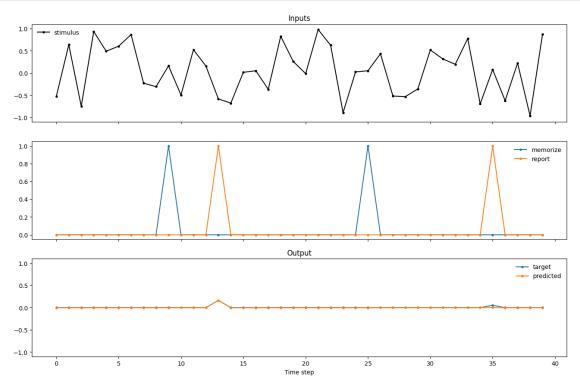
Visualize the predicted performance of the trained LSTM model for a sequence length (memory duration) of 20 ms.

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[127]: # initialize the RNN network
rnn = net.rnn
rnn.readout = True

# generate the inputs and target outputs of the desired memory task
inputs, labels = memory_task(seq_len=20, batch_size=16, n_repeat=2)
inputs = torch.from_numpy(inputs).type(torch.float)

# simulate the predicted output of the LSTM network to the generated set of_u
inputs
with torch.no_grad():
    rnn_activity, _, result = rnn(inputs)
    output = net.fc(rnn_activity).detach()
```

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[128]: # pick a trial to visualize
       i_trial = 0
       kwargs = {'marker': 'o', 'markersize': 3}
       fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 1, sharex=True, figsize=(16,10))
       ax = axes[0]
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 0], label='stimulus', color='black', **kwargs)
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax.title.set_text('Inputs')
       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1)
       ax = axes[1]
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 1], label='memorize', **kwargs)
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 2], label='report', **kwargs)
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax = axes[2]
       ax.plot(labels[:, i_trial, 0], label='target', **kwargs)
       ax.plot(output[:, i_trial, 0], label='predicted', **kwargs)
       ax.title.set_text('Output')
       ax.set_xlabel('Time step')
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1)
```



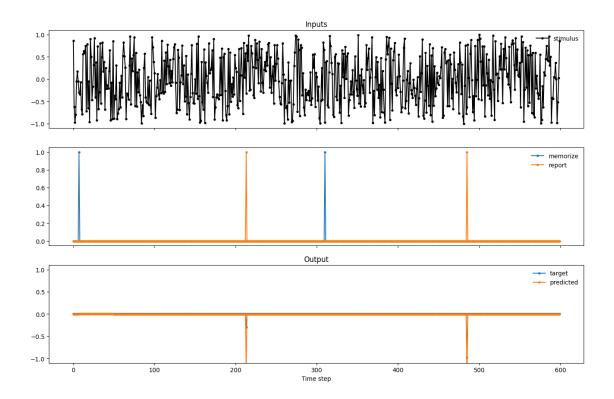
Depending on how successful the training was, you will see that the LSTM can perform the task almost perfectly for short memory durations (20 ms). The last panel of the plot (Output) shows

the expected response of the memory task (target) and the one generated by the trained LSTM (predicted).

You can now use the trained LSTM to simulate the outcomes of the task for longer sequence durations. After which point approximately do you see that the network loses accuracy, failing to report the correct numbers? What would you change in the training datasets or the architecture to improve the model so that it performs better for longer memory durations in this task?

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[135]: # initialize the RNN network
       rnn = net.rnn
       rnn.readout = True
       # generate the inputs and target outputs of the desired memory task
       inputs, labels = memory task(seq len=300, batch size=16, n repeat=2)
       inputs = torch.from_numpy(inputs).type(torch.float)
       # simulate the predicted output of the LSTM network to the generated set of \Box
        \hookrightarrow inputs
       with torch.no_grad():
           rnn_activity, _, result = rnn(inputs)
           output = net.fc(rnn_activity).detach()
       # pick a trial to visualize
       i_trial = 0
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       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1)
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       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 1], label='memorize', **kwargs)
       ax.plot(inputs[:, i_trial, 2], label='report', **kwargs)
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax = axes[2]
       ax.plot(labels[:, i_trial, 0], label='target', **kwargs)
       ax.plot(output[:, i_trial, 0], label='predicted', **kwargs)
       ax.title.set_text('Output')
       ax.set_xlabel('Time step')
       ax.legend(frameon=False)
       ax.set_ylim(-1.1,1.1)
```

[135]: (-1.1, 1.1)



Sequence of duration 300ms

Gating in neural-networks The LSTM we used consists of three types of gating variables that control the cell state of the neural-network. When trained on this specific memory task, can you explain what the specific role of each gating variable is and how each one affects the cell state (memory) of the neural network? Visualizing the gate values of the three variables over the time course of the task (extracted from the "result" dictionary variable) can help you with that.

# [19]: # Your code goes here

#### Answer

Your answer here

How does gating in LSTMs compare to gating in biological neural circuits?

## Answer

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