# Back Propagation in Netz

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#### Descripton 0.1

The following definitions and algorithm characterize the implementation of

#### **Definitions** 0.2

The following variables are used:

m: The number of training examples.

n: The number of input features for an example.

k: The number of outputs for an example.

 $\{(x^i,y^i),\ldots,(x^m,y^m)\}$ : The training set, composed of m input-output example pairs where  $x^{(i)}$  is an *n* dimensional vector containing the  $i^{th}$  input and  $y^{(i)}$  a k dimensional vector containing the  $i^{th}$  expected output.

X: An  $m \times n$  matrix where the  $i^{th}$  row contains  $(x^{(i)})^T$ .

Y: An  $m \times k$  matrix where the  $i^{th}$  row contains  $(y^{(i)})^T$ .

L: The number of layers in the network.

 $s_l$ : The number of neurons in layer l.  $s_1 = n$  and  $s_L = k$ .

 $\lambda$ : The regularization constant.  $\alpha$ : The learning rate constant.  $\gamma$ : The learning momentum constant.

 $\Theta_{ij}^{(l)}$ : The synapse weight between neuron i of layer l and neuron j of layer l+1.  $\Theta^{(l)}$  is thus a  $s_{(j+1)} \times s_j + 1$  matrix.

 $A_{ii}^{(l)}$ : The change in synapse weight between neuron i of layer l and neuron j of layer l+1 of the last epoch.  $A^{(l)}$  is thus a  $s_{(j+1)} \times s_j + 1$  matrix.

 $a^{(l)}$ : A vector of length  $s_l + 1$  when l < L and  $s_l$  when l = L, containing the activation values for neurons in layer l where  $a_0^{(l)}$  is the bias neuron when

l < L.  $\delta^{(l)}$ : A vector of length  $s_l + 1$  when l < L and  $s_l$  when l = L, containing the back propagated error values associated with neurons in layer l.

 $\Delta_{ij}^{(l)}$ : The sum change from all examples in synapse weight between neuron i of layer l and neuron j of layer l+1.  $\Delta^{(l)}$  is thus a  $s_{(j+1)} \times s_j + 1$  matrix.

 $D_{ii}^{(l)}$ : The regularized mean change from all examples in synapse weight between neuron i of layer l and neuron j of layer l+1.  $D^{(l)}$  is thus a  $s_{(i+1)} \times s_i + 1$  matrix.

.\*: Element-wise matrix multiplication operator.

The sigmoid activation function:

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-z}} \tag{1}$$

## 0.3 Algorithm

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\Theta^{(j)} \leftarrow \text{RandomValuedMatrix}(s_{(j+1)}, s_j + 1) \text{ for } j = 1 \dots L - 1
A^{(j)} \leftarrow \text{ZeroValuedMatrix}(s_{(j+1)}, s_j + 1) \text{ for } j = 1 \dots L - 1
repeat
    for_i \leftarrow 1 \dots m do
        {Forward propagate input activations through network}
       a^{(1)} \leftarrow x^{(i)}
       a^{(l)} \leftarrow g(\Theta^{(l-1)}a^{(l-1)}) for l = 2 \dots L
        {Find error of output layer from training outputs}
        \delta^{(L)} \leftarrow a^{(L)} - y^{(i)}
        {Back propagate error through network}
       \delta^{(L)} \leftarrow (\Theta^{(l)})^T \delta^{(l+1)} \cdot * a^{(l)} \cdot * (1 - a^{(l)}) \text{ for } l = L - 1 \dots 2
        {Multiply errors by activations}
       \Delta^{(l)} \leftarrow \Delta^{(l)} + \delta^{(l+1)} (a^{(l)})^T for l \leftarrow 1 \dots L-1
    end for {Divide errors by the number of training examples and add in regular-
   D_{ij}^{(l)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} + \lambda \Theta^{(l)} \mathbf{if} j \neq 0
D_{ij}^{(l)} \leftarrow \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} \mathbf{if} j = 0
{Adjust weights}
    for j \leftarrow 1 \dots L - 1 do
A^{(j)} \leftarrow \alpha D^{(j)} + \gamma A^{(j)}
       \Theta^{(j)} \leftarrow \Theta^{(j)} - A^{(j)}
    end for
    epoch \leftarrow epoch + 1
    MSE \leftarrow \text{CalculateMeanSquareError}(\Theta, X, Y)
until MSE < desired-error or epoch > max-epoch
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