# STATS 231A Homework 1 - Candace McKeag

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- https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/ (https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/)
- <a href="https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01">https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01</a> mysteries of neural networks/03 numpy neural net/Numpy%20dee (<a href="https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01">https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01</a> mysteries of neural networks/03 numpy neural net/Numpy%20dee

# **Env Setup**

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   # for problem 2
   from sklearn.datasets import make_moons
   from sklearn.datasets import make_classification
   from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

## **Problem 1**

Read the blog and play with the code with one hidden layer: <a href="https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/">https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/</a>. (<a href="https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/">https://iamtrask.github.io/2015/07/12/basic-python-network/</a>).

### **TwoLayerNet Class**

```
In [2]: class TwoLayerNet(object):
            A class to build a two layer neural network (one input layer, one hidden layer).
            Attributes
            _____
            X : np.ndarray
                input dataset matrix where each row is a training example
            y : np.ndarray
                Output dataset matrix where each row is a training example
            activation function : str
                activation function to use for hidden layer; takes 'sigmoid' or 'relu'
            learning rate : float
                learning rate of weights to use for gradient descent
            Methods
            hidden layer(activation function, x, derivative=False):
                Provides either the sigmoid function or ReLU function to use in hidden layer.
               Performs forward propagation and gradient descent to learn weights and build the net.
            def __init__(self, X, y, activation_function="sigmoid", learning_rate=1.0):
                Constructs all the necessary attributes for the TwoLayerNet object.
                Parameters
                    X : np.ndarray
                        input dataset matrix where each row is a training example
                    y : np.ndarray
                        Output dataset matrix where each row is a training example
                    activation function : str
                        activation function to use for hidden layer, default sigmoid
                    learning_rate : float
                        learning rate of weights to use for gradient descent, default 1
                .....
                self.X = X
                self.y = y
                self.activation function = activation function
                self.learning rate = learning rate
            @staticmethod
            def hidden_layer(activation_function, x, derivative=False):
                Provides either the sigmoid function or ReLU function to use in hidden layer.
                Parameters
                activation_function : str
                    specifies function
                x : np.ndarray
                    inner product vector to apply function on
                derivative : bool
                    whether to use derivative of function, default False
                Returns
                function output, dependent on parameters
                if activation function == "sigmoid":
                    if derivative:
                        return x * (1 - x)
                    else:
                        return 1 / (1 + np.exp(-x))
                elif activation_function == "relu":
                    if derivative:
                        return np.where(x > 0, 1, 0)
                    else:
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return np.where(x > 0, x, 0)
   def train(self):
        Performs backpropagation and gradient descent to learn weights and build the network
        Returns
        mae : float
           mean absolute error of final predictions
        # seed random numbers to make calculation deterministic
        np.random.seed(1)
        # initialize weights randomly with mean 0
        p = self.X.shape[1]
        beta = 2 * np.random.random((p, 1)) - 1
        #beta = np.repeat(0.0,p).reshape(p,1)
        for i in range(10000):
            # forward propagation
            layer_1 = self.X
            layer_2 = self.hidden_layer(activation_function=self.activation_function,
                                        x=np.dot(layer_1, beta),
                                        derivative=False)
            # how much did we miss?
            layer 2 error = self.y - layer 2
            # multiply how much we missed by the
            # slope of the activation function at the values in layer 2
            layer_2_delta = layer_2_error * self.hidden_layer(activation_function=self.activati
on_function,
                                                               x=layer 2,
                                                               derivative=True)
            # update weights
            beta += self.learning_rate * np.dot(layer_1.T, layer_2_delta)
        mae = np.mean(np.abs(layer_2_error))
        print("Error:" + str(mae))
        return mae
```

### Implementation

# (1) Change the training set

Error: 0.007955249410716037

Change the training dataset so that it has more training examples and more input variables.

The following example consists of 1,000 training examples and 20 input variables. The input data is simulated from a standard normal distribution. We use the input data, defined beta coefficients, and random noise to generate the raw y values. These raw values are then transformed with indicator function

$$I(y > 0) = \begin{cases} 1, & y > 0 \\ 0, & y \le 0 \end{cases}$$

to obtain a binary response vector.

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In [5]: # standard normal input matrix, 1000 x 20
X_1_1 = np.random.normal(0, 1, (1000, 20))
# beta coefficients
beta = np.arange(1,21)

# dot product of X and Betas + random noise
raw = (np.dot(X_1_1, beta) + np.random.normal(0, 1, 1000))
# application of indicator function
y_1_1 = np.where(raw <= 0, 0, 1).reshape(1000,1)</pre>
In [6]: net_1_1 = TwoLayerNet(X_1_1, y_1_1, activation_function="sigmoid", learning_rate=1)
_ = net_1_1.train()
```

Error: 0.0019675487778409565

### (2) Change the hidden layer

Change the non-linearity of the hidden layer to ReLU.

Using the activation\_function attribute of the implementation of the given code into the class object above, the nonlinear function of the hidden layer can easily be changed from the sigmoid function to ReLU. Also, the larger dataset from the previous section is used. We use a smaller learning rate of  $10^{-4}$  to help the weights converge.

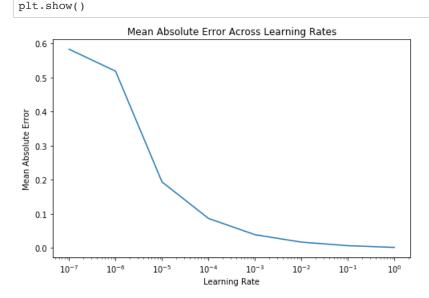
Error:0.26377691804982756

# (3) Change the learning rate

Change the learning rate of gradient descent.

Let's explore different learning rates and how they affect the mean absolute error of the predictions. We use a logarithmic range of learning rates from  $10^{-7}$  to 1, totaling eight different networks. We see that the network with a learning rate of  $10^{-7}$  has the highest mean absolute error, and the network with the lowest mean absolute error is actually that with a learning rate of 1. The networks in between have steadlily decreasing MAEs.

```
In [8]:
        learning_rates = [10**-exp for exp in range(7,-1,-1)]
        errors = []
        for lr in learning rates:
            net_1_3 = TwoLayerNet(X_1_1, y_1_1, activation_function="sigmoid", learning_rate=lr)
            error = net_1_3.train()
            errors.append(error)
        Error:0.5827887607205507
        Error: 0.5184928687783615
        Error: 0.19389817420163064
        Error: 0.08688656546968225
        Error: 0.03926773783586701
        Error: 0.017437117246612798
        Error: 0.007010355366255774
        Error: 0.0019675487778409565
In [9]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
        plt.plot(learning rates, errors)
        plt.xscale('log')
        plt.xlabel('Learning Rate')
        plt.ylabel('Mean Absolute Error')
```



plt.title('Mean Absolute Error Across Learning Rates')

#### **Brief memo**

Write a brief memo on your work so that after one year, you can still recall what this assignment is about. Describe the underlying theory, method, code, and what you have done and discovered.

This first problem was a really good introduction to a very simple neural network. It helped me to understand the very core ideas behind neural networks, such as forward propagation and backpropagation. Even though the nets built with this code are small and simple, they are still able to achieve very low error rates with their predictions. The best net from this problem was that built on a larger dataset with a learning rate of 1 and using the sigmoid activation function.

### **Problem 2**

Read the blog and play with the code:

https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01 mysteries of neural networks/03 numpy neural net/Numpy%20deep%20 (https://github.com/SkalskiP/ILearnDeepLearning.py/blob/master/01 mysteries of neural networks/03 numpy neural net/Numpy%20deep%20

# **MultiLayerNet Class**

```
In [10]: | class MultiLayerNet(object):
             A class to build a multilayer neural network.
             Attributes
             _____
             nn architecture : list
                 describes the architecture of the desired network. list of dictionaries, each of the fo
         rmat
                 {'input dim': n, 'output dim': m, 'activation': "sigmoid" or "relu"}.
             seed : int
                 initialize random seed for deterministic output, default is 99.
             Methods
             sigmoid(Z):
                 Provides the sigmoid function to use in hidden layer.
                 Provides the ReLU function to use in hidden layer.
             sigmoid backward(dA, Z):
                 Provides the gradient of the sigmoid function.
             relu backward(dA, Z):
                 Provides the gradient of the ReLU function.
             get_cost_value(Y_hat, Y):
                 Computes cost of predictions for true y-values.
             convert prob into class(probs):
                 Converts values in probs > 0.5 to 1, <= 0.5 to 0.
             init layers():
                 Uses nn architecture attribute to initialize network layers and weights, and store para
         meters.
             single_layer_forward_propagation(A_prev, W_curr, b_curr, activation="relu"):
                 Performs forward propagation for one layer.
             full forward propagation(X, params values):
                 Performs the full forward propagation step, returning predictions.
             single layer backward propagation(dA curr, W curr, b curr, Z curr, A prev, activation="rel
         u"):
                 Performs backward propagation for one layer.
             full_backward_propagation(Y_hat, Y, memory, params_values):
                 Performs the full backward propagation step, returning gradient values.
             get_accuracy_value(Y hat, Y):
                 Uses convert prob into class to compute accuracy of predictions for true y-values.
             update(params values, grads values, learning rate):
                 Updates the weights of the hidden layers.
             train(X, Y, epochs, learning_rate, verbose=False, callback=None):
                 Culminates entire network building; initializes neural net parameters, iterates by perf
         ormina
                 step forward, calculating metrics, performing step backward, and updating model state.
                   init (self, nn architecture, seed=99):
                 Constructs all the necessary attributes for the TwoLayerNet object.
                 Parameters
                 nn architecture : list
                     describes the architecture of the desired network. list of dictionaries, each of th
         e format
                     {'input_dim': n, 'output_dim': m, 'activation': "sigmoid" or "relu"}.
                 seed : int
                    initialize random seed for deterministic output, default is 99.
                 self.nn architecture = nn architecture
                 self.seed = seed
             def __call__(self, X, y, test_size, learning_rate=0.01, verbose=True):
                 # train test split on data
                 X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=test_size, random_s
         tate=42)
                 # Training
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params_values = self.train(np.transpose(X_train),
                                   np.transpose(y_train.reshape((y_train.shape[0], 1))),
                                   epochs=10000,
                                   learning rate=learning rate,
                                   verbose=verbose)
        # Prediction
        Y test hat, _ = self.full forward propagation(np.transpose(X test), params_values)
        # Accuracy achieved on the test set
        acc_test = self.get_accuracy_value(Y_test_hat, np.transpose(y_test.reshape((y_test.shap
e[0], 1))))
        print("Test set accuracy: {:.2f}".format(acc_test))
        return(acc_test)
    @staticmethod
    def sigmoid(Z):
        return 1 / (1 + np.exp(-Z))
    @staticmethod
   def relu(Z):
        return np.maximum(0, Z)
    @staticmethod
   def sigmoid backward(dA, Z):
        sig = 1 / (1 + np.exp(-Z))
        return dA * sig * (1 - sig)
    @staticmethod
   def relu_backward(dA, Z):
        dZ = np.array(dA, copy=True)
        dZ[Z \le 0] = 0
        return dZ
    @staticmethod
   def get_cost_value(Y_hat, Y):
        # number of examples
       m = Y hat.shape[1]
        # calculation of the cost according to the formula
        cost = -1 / m * (np.dot(Y, np.log(Y hat).T) + np.dot(1 - Y, np.log(1 - Y hat).T))
        return np.squeeze(cost)
    # an auxiliary function that converts probability into class
    @staticmethod
   def convert_prob_into_class(probs):
        probs_ = np.copy(probs)
        probs_[probs_ > 0.5] = 1
        probs_[probs_ <= 0.5] = 0</pre>
        return probs_
   def init layers(self):
        # random seed initiation
        np.random.seed(self.seed)
        # parameters storage initiation
        params values = {}
        # iteration over network layers
        for idx, layer in enumerate(self.nn architecture):
            # we number network layers from 1
            layer idx = idx + 1
            # extracting the number of units in layers
            layer input size = layer["input dim"]
            layer_output_size = layer["output_dim"]
            # initiating the values of the W matrix
            # and vector b for subsequent layers
            params_values['W' + str(layer_idx)] = np.random.randn(
                layer output size, layer input size) * 0.1
            params_values['b' + str(layer_idx)] = np.random.randn(
                layer output size, 1) * 0.1
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```
return params_values
   def single_layer_forward_propagation(self, A_prev, W_curr, b_curr, activation="relu"):
        # calculation of the input value for the activation function
        Z curr = np.dot(W curr, A prev) + b curr
        # selection of activation function
        if activation is "relu":
            activation_func = self.relu
        elif activation is "sigmoid":
            activation func = self.sigmoid
        else:
            raise Exception('Non-supported activation function')
        # return of calculated activation A and the intermediate Z matrix
        return activation_func(Z_curr), Z_curr
   def full forward propagation(self, X, params values):
        # creating a temporary memory to store the information needed for a backward step
        memory = \{\}
        \# X vector is the activation for layer 0
        A_curr = X
        # iteration over network layers
        for idx, layer in enumerate(self.nn architecture):
            # we number network layers from 1
           layer_idx = idx + 1
            # transfer the activation from the previous iteration
           A prev = A curr
            # extraction of the activation function for the current layer
            activ_function_curr = layer["activation"]
            # extraction of W for the current layer
           W_curr = params_values["W" + str(layer_idx)]
            # extraction of b for the current layer
            b_curr = params_values["b" + str(layer_idx)]
            # calculation of activation for the current layer
            A_curr, Z_curr = self.single_layer_forward_propagation(A_prev, W_curr, b_curr, acti
v function curr)
            # saving calculated values in the memory
            memory["A" + str(idx)] = A prev
            memory["Z" + str(layer_idx)] = Z_curr
        # return of prediction vector and a dictionary containing intermediate values
        return A curr, memory
   def single_layer_backward_propagation(self, dA_curr, W_curr, b_curr, Z_curr, A_prev, activa
tion="relu"):
        # number of examples
        m = A_prev.shape[1]
        # selection of activation function
        if activation is "relu":
            backward activation func = self.relu backward
        elif activation is "sigmoid":
           backward_activation_func = self.sigmoid_backward
        else:
           raise Exception('Non-supported activation function')
        # calculation of the activation function derivative
        dZ curr = backward_activation_func(dA curr, Z_curr)
        # derivative of the matrix W
        dW_curr = np.dot(dZ_curr, A_prev.T) / m
        # derivative of the vector b
        db_curr = np.sum(dZ_curr, axis=1, keepdims=True) / m
        # derivative of the matrix A_prev
        dA_prev = np.dot(W_curr.T, dZ_curr)
        return dA prev, dW curr, db curr
```

```
def full_backward_propagation(self, Y_hat, Y, memory, params_values):
       grads_values = {}
        # a hack ensuring the same shape of the prediction vector and labels vector
       Y = Y.reshape(Y hat.shape)
       # initiation of gradient descent algorithm
       dA_prev = - (np.divide(Y, Y_hat) - np.divide(1 - Y, 1 - Y_hat))
       for layer idx prev, layer in reversed(list(enumerate(self.nn architecture))):
            # we number network layers from 1
            layer idx curr = layer idx prev + 1
            # extraction of the activation function for the current layer
            activ_function_curr = layer["activation"]
            dA_curr = dA_prev
            A_prev = memory["A" + str(layer_idx_prev)]
            Z_curr = memory["Z" + str(layer_idx_curr)]
            W_curr = params_values["W" + str(layer_idx_curr)]
            b_curr = params_values["b" + str(layer_idx_curr)]
            dA prev, dW curr, db curr = self.single layer backward propagation(
                dA curr, W curr, b curr, Z curr, A prev, activ function curr)
            grads_values["dW" + str(layer_idx_curr)] = dW_curr
            grads_values["db" + str(layer_idx_curr)] = db_curr
       return grads_values
   def get_accuracy_value(self, Y_hat, Y):
       Y hat = self.convert prob into class(Y hat)
       return (Y_hat_ == Y).all(axis=0).mean()
   def update(self, params_values, grads_values, learning_rate):
        # iteration over network layers
       for layer_idx, layer in enumerate(self.nn_architecture, 1):
            params_values["W" + str(layer_idx)] -= learning rate * grads_values["dw" + str(laye
r_idx)]
            params_values["b" + str(layer_idx)] -= learning_rate * grads_values["db" + str(laye
r_idx)]
       return params_values
   def train(self, X, Y, epochs, learning_rate, verbose=False, callback=None):
       # initiation of neural net parameters
       params_values = self.init_layers()
       # initiation of lists storing the history
       # of metrics calculated during the learning process
       cost_history = []
       accuracy_history = []
        # performing calculations for subsequent iterations
       for i in range(epochs):
            # step forward
            Y_hat, cache = self.full_forward_propagation(X, params_values)
            # calculating metrics and saving them in history
            cost = self.get_cost_value(Y_hat, Y)
            cost_history.append(cost)
            accuracy = self.get_accuracy_value(Y_hat, Y)
            accuracy_history.append(accuracy)
            # step backward - calculating gradient
            grads_values = self.full_backward_propagation(Y_hat, Y, cache, params_values)
            # updating model state
            params_values = self.update(params_values, grads_values, learning_rate)
            if i % (epochs//10) == 0:
                if verbose:
                    print("Iteration: {:05} - cost: {:.5f} - accuracy: {:.5f}".format(i, cost,
```

### Implementation

The original code implements a neural network with 5 hidden layers. The maximum number of nodes in a layer is 50, and 4 out of these 5 layers use the ReLU activation function.

This net achieves a test set accuracy of 97% and is able to minimize the cost to 0.077.

```
In [11]: # layer architecture
         architecture = [
             {"input_dim": 2, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input dim": 25, "output dim": 1, "activation": "sigmoid"}
         1
         # number of samples in the data set
         n_samples = 1000
         # ratio between training and test sets
         test size = 0.1
         X 2, y 2 = make moons(n samples=n samples, noise=0.2, random state=100)
In [12]: net_2 = MultiLayerNet(architecture)
         _ = net_2(X_2, y_2, test_size)
         Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69398 - accuracy: 0.50444
         Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.68732 - accuracy: 0.64333
         Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.58974 - accuracy: 0.82111
         Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.27629 - accuracy: 0.87889
         Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.24330 - accuracy: 0.88889
         Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.17292 - accuracy: 0.93333
         Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.10345 - accuracy: 0.96333
         Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.08769 - accuracy: 0.96556
         Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.08052 - accuracy: 0.97000
         Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.07749 - accuracy: 0.97111
         Test set accuracy: 0.97
```

### (1) Change the hidden layers

Change the number of layers and the numbers of nodes in the hidden layers.

#### (a) Reduce the number of layers and nodes

For this first part of section 1, the number of layers and nodes in the network are reduced. We remove two hidden layers that use the ReLU activation function and decrease the maximum number of nodes to 30.

The resulting net is still able to achieve a high test set accuracy of 92%, while minimizing the cost to 0.1831.

```
In [13]:
         architecture 1a = [
             {"input_dim": 2, "output_dim": 30, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input_dim": 30, "output_dim": 20, "activation": "relu"},
             {"input_dim": 20, "output_dim": 1, "activation": "sigmoid"}
         1
In [14]: net 2 la = MultiLayerNet(architecture la)
         _ = net_2_1a(X_2, y_2, test_size)
         Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69629 - accuracy: 0.50444
         Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.49332 - accuracy: 0.81000
         Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.28754 - accuracy: 0.87444
         Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.27177 - accuracy: 0.88000
         Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.26589 - accuracy: 0.88333
         Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.25807 - accuracy: 0.88333
         Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.24677 - accuracy: 0.88667
         Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.23153 - accuracy: 0.89333
         Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.21037 - accuracy: 0.91111
         Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.18305 - accuracy: 0.92444
         Test set accuracy: 0.92
```

#### (b) Increase the number of layers and nodes

In this second part of section 1, we add more hidden layers and more nodes. We add three hidden layers which use the ReLU activation function and increase the maximum number of nodes to 125.

The resulting net achieves an astounding test set accuracy of 99% and the lowest cost of 0.0658.

```
In [15]: architecture 1b = [
                {"input dim": 2, "output dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
                {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
                {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 100, "activation": "relu"},
                {"input_dim": 100, "output_dim": 125, "activation": "relu"},
                {"input_dim": 125, "output_dim": 100, "activation": "relu"}, {"input_dim": 100, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"}, {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"}, {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 1, "activation": "sigmoid"}
           ]
In [16]: net_2_1b = MultiLayerNet(architecture_1b)
           _ = net_2_1b(X_2, y_2, test_size)
           Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69370 - accuracy: 0.50444
           Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.69192 - accuracy: 0.50444
           Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.68824 - accuracy: 0.50444
           Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.55289 - accuracy: 0.84111
           Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.21433 - accuracy: 0.91111
           Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.08284 - accuracy: 0.96778
           Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.07277 - accuracy: 0.97000
           Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.06970 - accuracy: 0.97111
           Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.06716 - accuracy: 0.97000
           Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.06579 - accuracy: 0.97000
           Test set accuracy: 0.99
```

# (2) Change the training set

Change the number of training examples. Change the distributions of the positive and negative training examples.

#### (a) Reduce the number of training examples

We reduce the number of training examples from 1,000 to 100, and keep the rest of the original parameters.

The resulting net achieves a test set accuracy of 85% and a cost of 0.0223.

```
In [17]: # number of samples in the data set
         n_samples_2a = 100
         X 2 2a, y 2 2a = make moons(n samples=n samples 2a, noise=0.2, random state=100)
In [18]: net 2 2a = MultiLayerNet(architecture)
         _ = net_2_2a(X_2_2a, y_2_2a, test_size)
         Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69437 - accuracy: 0.50000
         Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.68875 - accuracy: 0.77778
         Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.63951 - accuracy: 0.81111
         Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.32280 - accuracy: 0.85556
         Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.28503 - accuracy: 0.86667
         Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.21368 - accuracy: 0.91111
         Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.08168 - accuracy: 0.98889
         Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.05308 - accuracy: 0.98889
         Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.04511 - accuracy: 0.97778
         Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.04054 - accuracy: 0.97778
         Test set accuracy: 0.90
```

#### (b) Increase the number of training examples

We increase the number of training examples from 1,000 to 10,000. The rest of the parameters remain the same as the original implementation.

This net achieves a test set accuracy of 98% and a cost value of 0.0849.

```
In [19]: # number of samples in the data set
         n \text{ samples } 2b = 10000
         X_2_2b, y_2_2b = make_moons(n_samples=n_samples_2b, noise=0.2, random_state=100)
In [20]: net 2 2b = MultiLayerNet(architecture)
         _ = net_2_2b(X_2_2b, y_2_2b, test_size)
         Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69447 - accuracy: 0.49811
         Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.68751 - accuracy: 0.79844
         Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.59788 - accuracy: 0.81867
         Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.29407 - accuracy: 0.87289
         Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.26443 - accuracy: 0.88733
         Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.20608 - accuracy: 0.91600
         Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.11694 - accuracy: 0.95833
         Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.09221 - accuracy: 0.96533
         Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.08679 - accuracy: 0.96633
         Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.08485 - accuracy: 0.96678
         Test set accuracy: 0.98
```

#### (c) Change the distribution of training examples

The original code uses a generated single-label classification dataset using <code>make\_moons</code> from the scikit-learn datasets module. According to the scikit-learn user guide <code>make\_moons</code> "produces two interleaving half circles." To try training examples from a new distribution, we will use the <code>make\_classification</code> function, which "creates clusters of points normally distributed (std=1) about vertices of a [2]-dimensional hypercube with sides of length [2] and assigns an equal number of clusters to each class." Using the default settings, we generate a dataset with 20 features, of which 2 are informative; the layer architecture is changed accordingly to accept this increased input dimension.

The resulting net achieves a test set accuracy of 93% and quite a low cost value of 0.00137.

```
In [21]: architecture 2c = [
              {"input_dim": 20, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"}, {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 100, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 100, "output_dim": 125, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 125, "output_dim": 100, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 100, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input dim": 25, "output dim": 1, "activation": "sigmoid"}
          # number of samples in the data set
          X_2_2c, y_2_2c = make_classification(n_samples=n_samples, random_state=100)
In [22]: net 2 2c = MultiLayerNet(architecture 2c)
         _ = net_2_2c(X_2_2c, y_2_2c, test_size)
         Iteration: 00000 - cost: 0.69341 - accuracy: 0.50333
         Iteration: 01000 - cost: 0.68850 - accuracy: 0.73000
         Iteration: 02000 - cost: 0.37785 - accuracy: 0.90222
         Iteration: 03000 - cost: 0.14212 - accuracy: 0.94444
         Iteration: 04000 - cost: 0.06334 - accuracy: 0.99000
         Iteration: 05000 - cost: 0.03380 - accuracy: 0.99556
         Iteration: 06000 - cost: 0.01960 - accuracy: 0.99778
         Iteration: 07000 - cost: 0.01059 - accuracy: 0.99889
         Iteration: 08000 - cost: 0.00765 - accuracy: 0.99889
         Iteration: 09000 - cost: 0.00137 - accuracy: 1.00000
         Test set accuracy: 0.93
```

# (3) Change the learning rate

Change the learning rate of gradient descent.

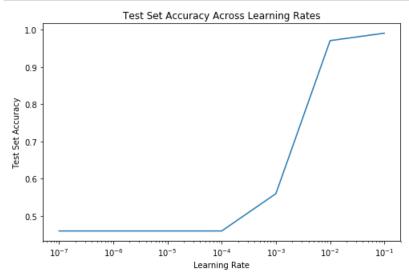
We experiment with different learning rates across a logarithmic range. This problem uses the original dataset.

```
In [23]: learning_rates = [10**-exp for exp in range(7,0,-1)]

test_accs = []
for lr in learning_rates:
    net_2_3 = MultiLayerNet(architecture)
    test_accuracy = net_2_3(X_2, y_2, test_size, learning_rate=lr, verbose=False)
    test_accs.append(test_accuracy)

Test set accuracy: 0.46
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    Test set accuracy: 0.56
    Test set accuracy: 0.57
    Test set accuracy: 0.99
```

```
In [24]: plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
    plt.plot(learning_rates, test_accs)
    plt.xscale('log')
    plt.xlabel('Learning Rate')
    plt.ylabel('Test Set Accuracy')
    plt.title('Test Set Accuracy Across Learning Rates')
    plt.show()
```



### (4) Explore over-parameterization

Explore the issue of testing error and over-parametrization.

In the context of this problem, we'll define "testing error" as  $1 - \texttt{test\_accuracy}$ .

Our results show that as we add many more nodes to the hidden layers and overparameterize our model, we overfit to the training data. This leads to increased testing error and decreased test set accuracy.

#### (a) Generate data

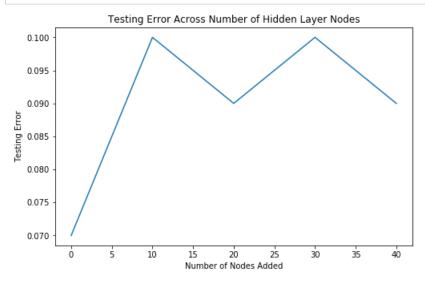
Let's use the make classification function from the scikit-learn datasets module again to generate the testing and training data.

```
In [32]: # data generation
X_2_4, y_2_4 = make_classification(n_samples=n_samples, random_state=100)
```

#### (b) Explore number of nodes vs. testing error

In order to experiment with a varying number of nodes, we'll incrementally add 10 nodes to each layer (except for the immediate input and output). We see that as we add more layers and increasingly overparameterize our model, the network overfits on the training data and makes more errors as it loses the ability to extrapolate to the testing data.

```
In [35]:
         # layer architecture
         architecture_4 = [
              {"input_dim": 20, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 50, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 50, "output_dim": 25, "activation": "relu"},
              {"input_dim": 25, "output_dim": 1, "activation": "sigmoid"}
         ]
In [36]: test_errs = []
          # iterate 5 times
         for i in range(5):
              # each iteration, add 10 nodes to each layer
              # except first input and last output
             itr = 0
             if i > 0:
                  for layer in architecture_4:
                      if itr == 0:
                          layer['output_dim'] = layer['output_dim'] + 10
                      elif itr == 4:
                          layer['input dim'] = layer['input dim'] + 10
                      else:
                          layer['input_dim'] = layer['input_dim'] + 10
                          layer['output dim'] = layer['output_dim'] + 10
                      itr += 1
              # build network
             net_2_4 = MultiLayerNet(architecture_4)
             test_accuracy = net_2_4(X_2_4, y_2_4, test_size, verbose=False)
              test error = 1 - test accuracy
              test_errs.append(test_error)
         Test set accuracy: 0.93
         Test set accuracy: 0.90
         Test set accuracy: 0.91
         Test set accuracy: 0.90
         Test set accuracy: 0.91
In [38]: nodes added = [i*10 \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(5)]
         plt.figure(figsize=(8,5))
         plt.plot(nodes_added, test_errs)
         plt.xlabel('Number of Nodes Added')
         plt.ylabel('Testing Error')
         plt.title('Testing Error Across Number of Hidden Layer Nodes')
         plt.show()
```



#### **Brief memo**

Write a brief memo on your work so that after one year, you can still recall what this assignment is about. Describe the underlying theory, method, code, and what you have done and discovered.

This second problem was a sensible next step after the first problem. Working through the code and adjusting different parameters helped me understand the nuances of each layer of a neural network, especially the interdependence between the number of hidden layer nodes and the testing error. The best net built in this problem was the net that kept the original number of hidden layer nodes, had a learning rate of 1, and used the original dataset generated with <code>make\_moons</code>.