Deep Learning for NLP

Session 3: Feed Forward Networks

Recap

•
$$y = X\beta + \beta 0$$

$$P(Y|X) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta X + \beta_0)}}$$

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$$lo(Y|X) = \beta X + \beta_0$$

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$$H(X|Y) = \sum_{x,y} p(x,y) log_2(\frac{1}{p(x|y)})$$

SGD

linear regression

logistic classification

equivalent (logit) form

cross-entropy loss: measures "distance" between predictions and gold standard

algorithm to evaluate the loss function wrt the parameters of the model

Recap SGD

- Find the slope of the loss function with respect to each parameter/feature. In other words, compute the gradient of the function.
- Pick a random initial value for the parameters.
- Update the gradient function by plugging in the parameter values.
- Calculate the step sizes for each feature as: step size = gradient * learning rate.
- Calculate the new parameters as: new params = old params step size
- Repeat steps 3 to 5 until gradient is almost 0.

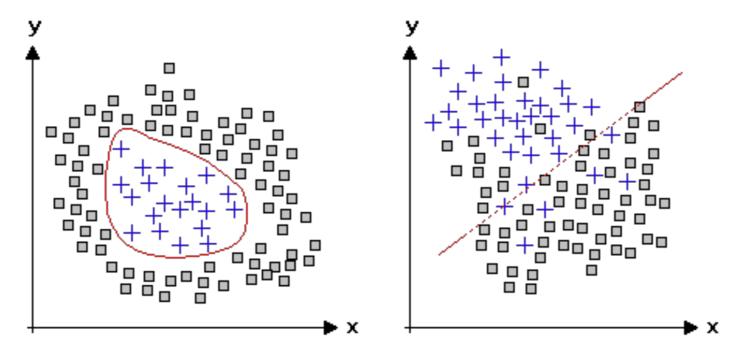
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Feed-forward networks



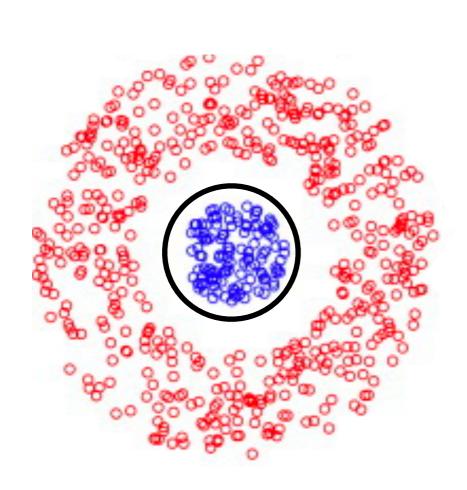
Many Datasets are not Linearly Separable



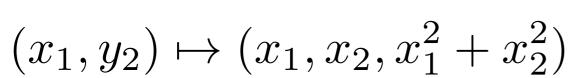
Sometimes the data is simply noisy and there's no linear decision boundary but a linear classifier will still work quite well.

Sometimes the appropriate decision boundary is simply not linear.

Often We Can Make the Problem Linearly Separable



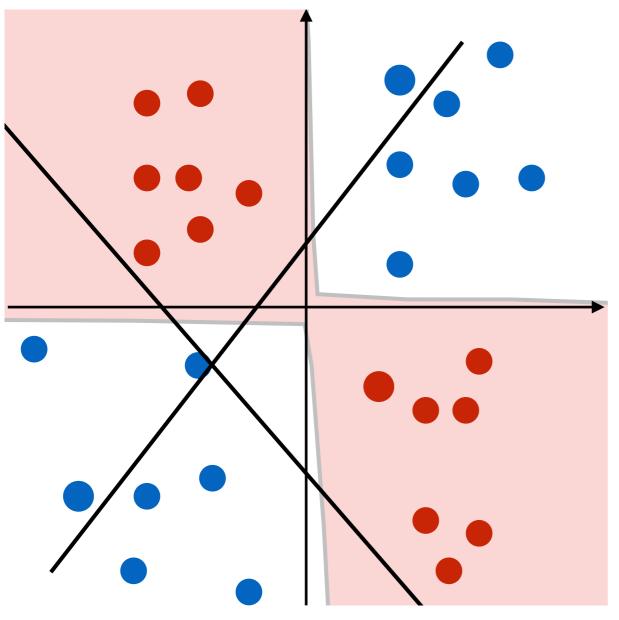
A dataset which is not linearly separable may become linearly separable in another space.





Exclusive OR (XOR)

A classical example of a non-linear problem is XOR

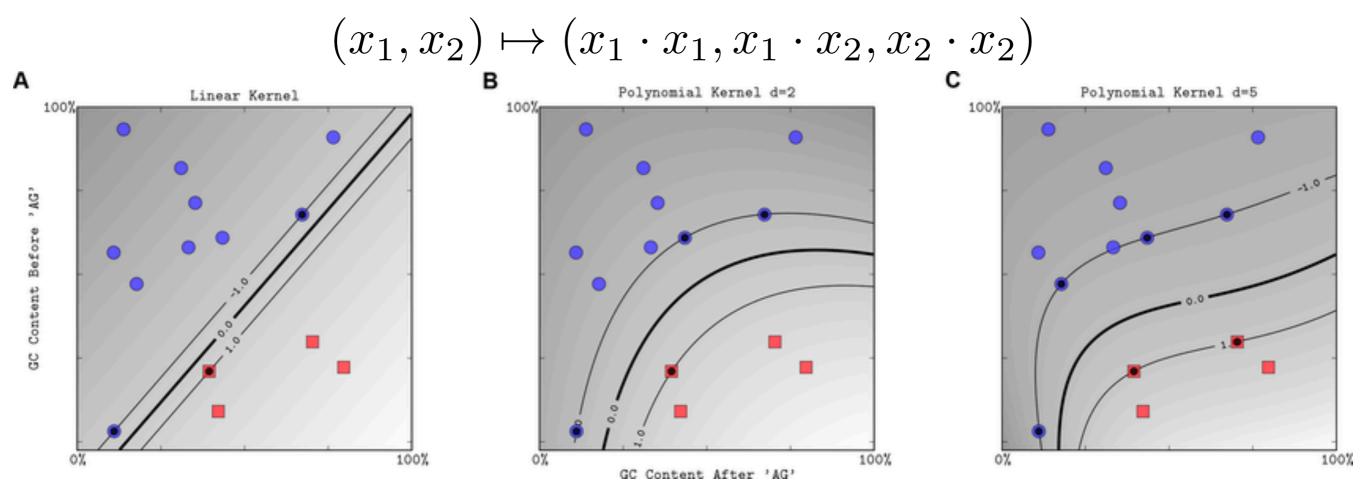


	x1	x2
-	-1	-1
+	-1	1
+	1	-1
_	1	1



Kernel Methods

Polynomial kernel of degree 2 from 2D to 3D space:



Kernel methods can define non-linear decision boundaries in the original space.



Problem with Kernel Methods

Polynomial kernel from 3D to 6D space:

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3) \mapsto (x_1 \cdot x_1, x_1 \cdot x_2, x_1 \cdot x_3, x_2 \cdot x_2, x_2 \cdot x_3, x_3 \cdot x_3)$$

Polynomial kernel from 50000D space (typical size of a vocabulary):

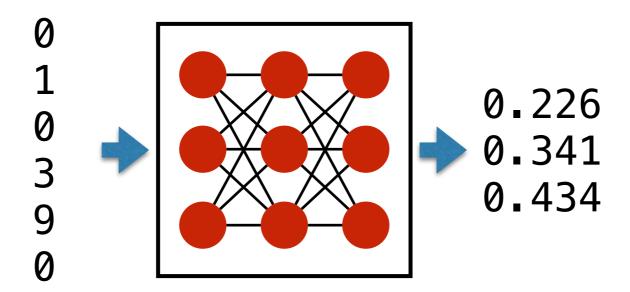
199,990,000 dimensions

The number of dimensions grows very fast.

The problem becomes linear but there is severe danger of over-fitting because of high dimensionality.



Feed-Forward Neural Networks



General feed-forward networks can have multiple layers.



Defining a Network Using Vectors

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[0.365, 0.482, 0.156, 0.294, 0.339, 0.053] = 4.41
[-0.121, 0.013, 0.751, 0.880, -1.401, 0.001] = -9.95
[1.561, -0.045, -0.651, 0.02, 0.522, -0.511] = 4.71
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What is Deep Learning?

Input for the next layer

tanh(x)

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Input dimension = 6
    [0.365, 0.482, 0.156, 0.294, 0.339, 0.053] = 4.41 tanh(4.41) = 0.9997
     [-0.121, 0.013, 0.751, 0.880, -1.401, 0.001] = -9.95 tanh(-9.95) = -1.0000
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     [1.561, -0.045, -0.651, 0.02, 0.522, -0.511] = 4.71  tanh(4.71) =
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An activation function like hyperbolical tangent is Layer1 Layer2 Layer3 applied to the outputs of the dot products.

Parameter vectors in layer 2 have dimension 3.



Defining a Network Using Matrices

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{W}^1 + \vec{\mathbf{b}}^1$$

 $w_1 = [0.365, 0.482, 0.156, 0.294, 0.339, 0.053]$ $w_2 = [-0.121, 0.013, 0.751, 0.880, -1.401, 0.001]$ $w_3 = [1.561, -0.045, -0.651, 0.02, 0.522, -0.511]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.365 & -0.121 & 1.561 \\ 0.482 & 0.013 & 0.045 \\ 0.156 & 0.751 & -0.651 \\ 0.294 & 0.880 & 0.020 \\ 0.339 & -1.401 & 0.522 \\ 0.053 & 0.001 & -0.511 \end{bmatrix} + [1.1 & 3.0 & -0.5] = [5.51 & -6.95 & 4.21]$$

 \vec{x} - input vector

 \mathbf{W}^1 - weight matrix in layer 1

 $\vec{\mathbf{b}}^1$ - bias term in layer 1



Defining a Network using Matrices

2-layer feed-forward network (multi-layer perceptron) with **one hidden layer**:

$$NN_{\text{MLP1}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = g(\vec{\boldsymbol{x}}W^{1} + \vec{\boldsymbol{b}}^{1})W^{2} + \vec{\boldsymbol{b}}^{2}$$

$$\vec{\boldsymbol{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in}}, \quad W^{1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in} \times d_{1}}, \quad \vec{\boldsymbol{b}}^{1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{1}}, \quad W^{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{1} \times d_{2}}, \quad \vec{\boldsymbol{b}}^{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{2}}.$$

 \mathbf{W}^i - weight matrix in layer i

 $ec{\mathbf{b}}^i$ - bias term in layer i

g - non-linearity

g is a pointwise non-linear function:

$$g(\vec{\mathbf{y}}) = [g(y_1), \dots, g(y_{d_1})]$$



How Do We Apply a Network?

$$NN_{\text{MLP1}}(x) = g(xW^1 + b^1)W^2 + b^2$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in}}, \quad W^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in} \times d_1}, \quad b^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1}, \quad W^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2}, \quad b^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_2}.$$

- 1. Compute $\vec{x}W^1$ and add b^1 to the result.
- 2. Take the result $\vec{\mathbf{y}} = [y_1, \dots, y_{d_1}]$ and apply non-linearity: $g(\vec{\mathbf{y}}) = [g(y_1), \dots, g(y_{d_1})]$
- 3. Now take the output of layer 1 $g(\vec{y})$ and compute $g(\vec{y})W^2$ and again add the bias term \vec{b}^2

If the network is a classifier, we often have a final softmax.



How Do We Train?

$$NN_{\text{MLP1}}(x) = g(xW^1 + b^1)W^2 + b^2$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in}}, W^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{in} \times d_1}, b^1 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1}, W^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2}, b^2 \in \mathbb{R}^{d_2}.$$

We train networks using stochastic gradient descent (SGD)

First, we need to choose a loss L (quite often cross-entropy)

We need to compute partial the derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial b}$$

w.r.t. all weight parameters w and bias parameters b



Problems with Naive SGD

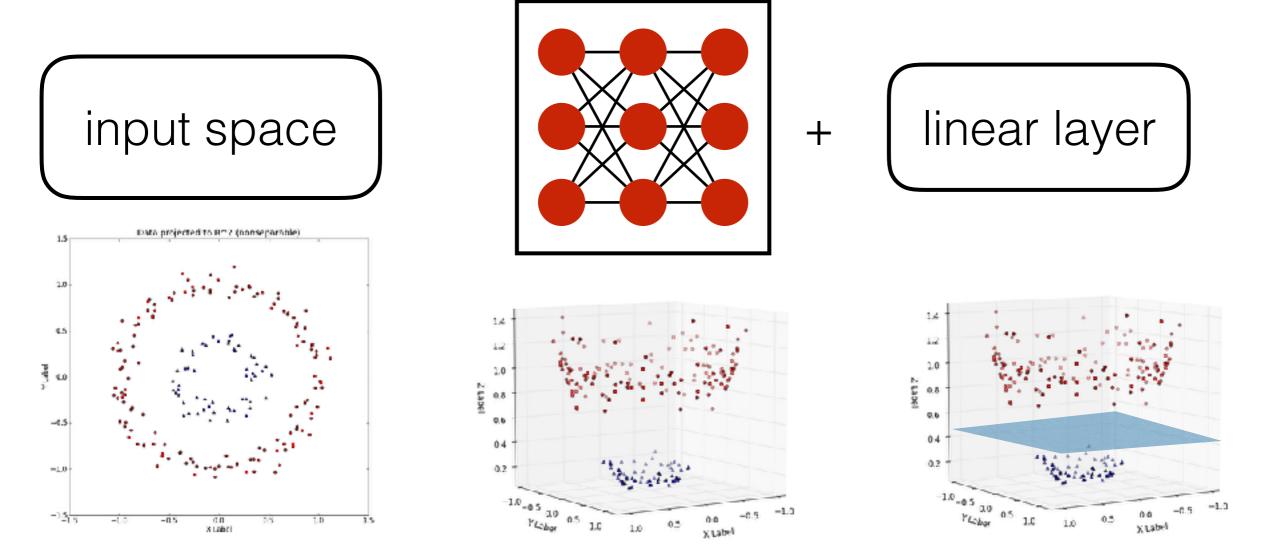
We end up computing a lot of quantities again and again...

The solution is to use a dynamic programming algorithm called back propagation for computing the derivatives recursively.

We'll get to training networks in week 3



NN = Feature Extractor + Classifier



The input dataset is not linearly separable, our NN makes it separable and then a final linear layer learns a classifier.



Why Do We Need a Non-Linearity?

If you combine a number of linear layers, you end up with a linear layer:

$$((xW_1 + b_1)W_2 + b_2)W_3 + b_3 = x(W_1W_2W_3) + (b_1W_2W_3 + b_2W_3 + b_3)$$

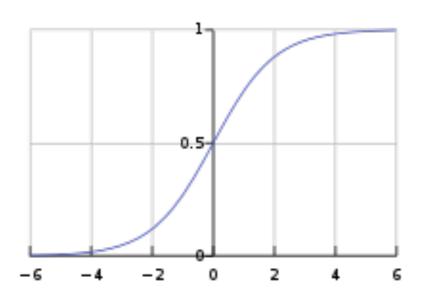
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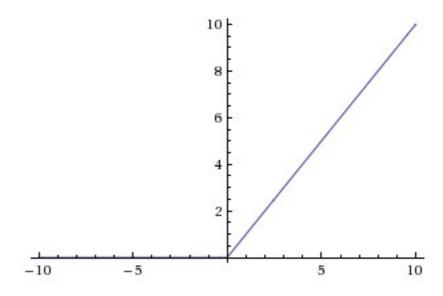
$$xW_4 + b_4$$

You cannot go beyond the expressive power of a single linear layer without introducing non-linearities

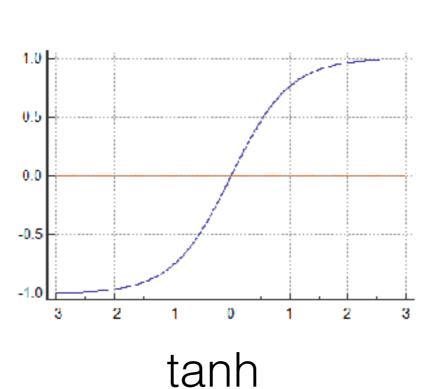


Common Non-Linearities





sigmoid



ReLU



A Concrete Example — XOR using ReLU

Worked Out Example: ReLU for XOR

XOR x1 x2

$$\mathbf{W}^{1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{W}^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b}^{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{x}} \qquad \vec{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{W}^{1} + \vec{\mathbf{b}}^{1} \quad \text{ReLU}(\vec{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{W}^{1} + \vec{\mathbf{b}}^{1}) \quad \mathbf{W}^{2} \text{ReLU}(\vec{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{W}^{1} + \vec{\mathbf{b}}^{1})$$

$$[-1 \ -1] \mapsto \qquad \qquad \mapsto [2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0] \qquad \qquad \mapsto -1$$

$$[-1 \ 1] \mapsto \qquad \qquad \mapsto [0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 0] \qquad \qquad \mapsto 1$$

$$[1 \ 1] \mapsto \qquad \qquad \mapsto [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2] \qquad \qquad \mapsto -1$$

$$\mathbf{W}^{2} \operatorname{ReLU}(\mathbf{\vec{x}} \mathbf{W}^{1} + \mathbf{\vec{b}}^{1})$$

$$\mapsto -1$$

$$\mapsto 1$$

$$\mapsto 1$$

$$\mapsto -1$$

XOR implementation:

https://github.com/joosthub/PyTorchNLPBook/tree/master/chapters/chapter_4