

Ling 572 HW9

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1 Q1

1.1 What does $f'(x)$ intend to measure?

The derivative of a function measures the rate of change of a function relative to the change in the argument (in this case x).

1.2 Let $h(x) = f(g(x))$

$$h'(x) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$$

1.3 Let $h(x) = f(x)g(x)$

$$h'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

1.4 Let $f(x) = a^x$ where $a > 0$

$$f'(x) = a^x \log(a)$$

1.5 Let $f(x) = x^{10} - 2x^8 \frac{4}{x^2} + 10$

$$f'(x) = 10x^9 - 16x^7 + \frac{8}{x^3}$$

2 Q2

The logistic function is $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$. The tanh function is $g(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$.

2.1 Prove that $f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$

$$1. f'(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{(1+e^{-x})^2}$$

$$2. f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} - \frac{1}{(1+e^{-x})^2}$$

$$3. f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}\right) \text{ which means } f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$$

2.2 Prove that $g'(x) = 1 - g^2(x)$

$$1. \tanh(x) = \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$2. g'(x) = \frac{df}{dx} \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)}$$

$$3. g'(x) = \frac{\cosh^2(x) - \sinh^2(x)}{\cosh^2(x)}$$

4. $g'(x) = \frac{\cosh^2(x)}{\cosh^2(x)} - \sinh^2(x)\cosh^2(x)$
5. $g'(x) = 1 - \sinh^2(x)\cosh^2(x)$
6. $g'(x) = 1 - \tanh^2(x)$

2.3 Prove that $g(x) = 2f(2x) - 1$

1. $f(2x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-2x}}$
2. $2f(2x) = \frac{2}{1+e^{-2x}}$
3. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{2}{1+e^{-2x}} - 1$
3. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{2}{1+e^{-2x}} - \frac{1+e^{-2x}}{1+e^{-2x}}$
4. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{2-e^{-2x}}{1+e^{-2x}}$
5. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{(e^x-1)(e^x+1)}{1+e^{2x}}$
6. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{e^{2x}-1}{1+e^{2x}}$
7. $2f(2x) - 1 = \frac{e^{2x}-1}{e^{2x}+1} = \tanh(x) = g(x)$

3 Q3

3.1 What is f'_x trying to measure?

A partial derivative is trying to measure the change in a function based on a variable assuming all other variables in the function remain constant. In other words, our derivative is representing the effect of a variable on the equation when no other variables are affecting the equation.

3.2 $f(x, y) = x^3 + 3x^2y + y^3 + 2x.$

$$f'_x = 3x^2 + 6xy + 2$$

$$f'_y = 3(x^2 + y^2)$$

3.3 $z = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i.$

$$\frac{dz}{dw_i} =$$

3.4 $f(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ and $z = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i.$

$$\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{e^{-1}}{(1+e^{-1})^2}$$

$$\frac{df}{dw_i} =$$

3.5 $E(z) = \frac{1}{2}(t - f(z))^2, f(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$ and $z = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i.$

$$\frac{dE}{dw_i}$$

4 Q4 Softmax Function

4.1 Where in NNs is the softmax function used and why?

Softmax is used to normalize the outputs of NN to interval (0,1) and to make all components to add up to 1 so that they can be interpreted as regular probabilities. This tends to be implemented as the final step of a NN to get a probability distribution over all possible classes/predictions.

4.2 x is [1, 2, 3, -1, -4, 0], what is the value of softmax(x)

[0.08607859048507978, 0.23398586833496002, 0.6360395340111326, 0.011649470423906664, 0.0005799929804444501, 0.03166654376447658]

5 Q5: FNN

5.1 How many connections (i.e., weights) are there in this network?

5.2 Given the input x , what is the formula for calculating the output of the first hidden layer?

5.3 Given the input x , what is the formula for calculating the output of the output layer?

6 Q6 MNIST NNs

6.1 What's the loss function used in the digit recognition task?

6.2 Why do they choose to minimize this function instead of maximizing classification accuracy?

6.3 In gradient descent, what's the formula for updating the weight matrix (or vector)? Why is that a good formula?

6.4 What are the main ideas and benefits of stochastic gradient descent?

6.5 What is a training epoch?

A training epoch is one pass over the dataset batch size.

6.6 Let T be the size of the training data, m be the size of mini-batch, and your training process contains E training epoches. How many times is each weight in the NN updated?

6.7 How can one choose the learning rate?

6.8 What's the risk if the rate is too big?

If the learning rate is too big then the network may never learn the function properly since a high learning rate can effectively skip over maximums

6.9 What's the risk if the rate is too small?

If the learning rate is too small then the network will train extremely slowly and it may never leave a local minum.

7 Q7 MNSIT NN in practice

Table 1: Results on digit recognition

Expt id	# of hidden neurons	epoch #	mini batch size	learning rate	accuracy
1	30	30	10	3.0	0.9461
2	10	30	10	3.0	0.9172
3	30	30	10	0.5	0.9403
4	30	30	10	10	0.9457
5	30	30	100	3.0	0.9302