

# Implement Gradient Descent & Backpropagation in Deep Neural Network

9/09/2025 Lab 6:

**Aim :** To implement gradient descent and backpropagation algorithm in a deep neural network and study their role in training

**Objective :**

- 1) To understand the working of gradient optimization
- 2) To implement backpropagation for updating neural network weights.
- 3) To observe the effect of iterations (epochs) on loss reduction.

**Pseudocode**

- 1) Initialize weights and bias randomly
- 2) for each epoch:
  - a. Forward Pass :
    - compute weighted sum  
$$CZ = w * x + b$$
    - Apply activation function  
$$CA = f(CZ)$$

b. Compute Loss

$$L = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\text{predicted}_i - \text{actual}_i)^2$$

c. Backward pass :

- Compute gradients of loss w.r.t weights & biases

- update weights :  $w = w - \eta \cdot dL/dw$

- update biases :  $b = b - \eta \cdot dL/db$

3. Repeat until Converges.

Formula Used

$$z = w \cdot x + b$$

$$L = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

$$w = w - \eta \frac{dL}{dw}$$

Observation

1) Initially, the model started with random weights leading to high loss and low accuracy

2) with each epoch, gradient descent gradually reduced the loss, showing effect of iterative weight update

3) Backpropagation efficiently adjusted weights layer by layer, improving model accuracy

4) The choice of learning rate and number of epochs strongly influenced convergence speed and final accuracy.

Sample.

Epoch	Training Loss	Accuracy	Remark
1	0.95	65.0	High error, random limit
5	0.48	82.3	Loss decreasing
10	0.25	90.1	Fast convergence
20	0.12	95.5	Model stabilized

Result

Implemented Gradient Descent &  
Backpropagation in DNN

Epoch 0 - Loss : 0.0134

Epoch 500 - Loss : 0.0107

Epoch 1000 - Loss : 0.0088

Epoch 1500 - Loss : 0.0075

Epoch 2000 - Loss : 0.0065

Epoch 2500 - Loss : 0.0057

Epoch 3000 - Loss : 0.0051

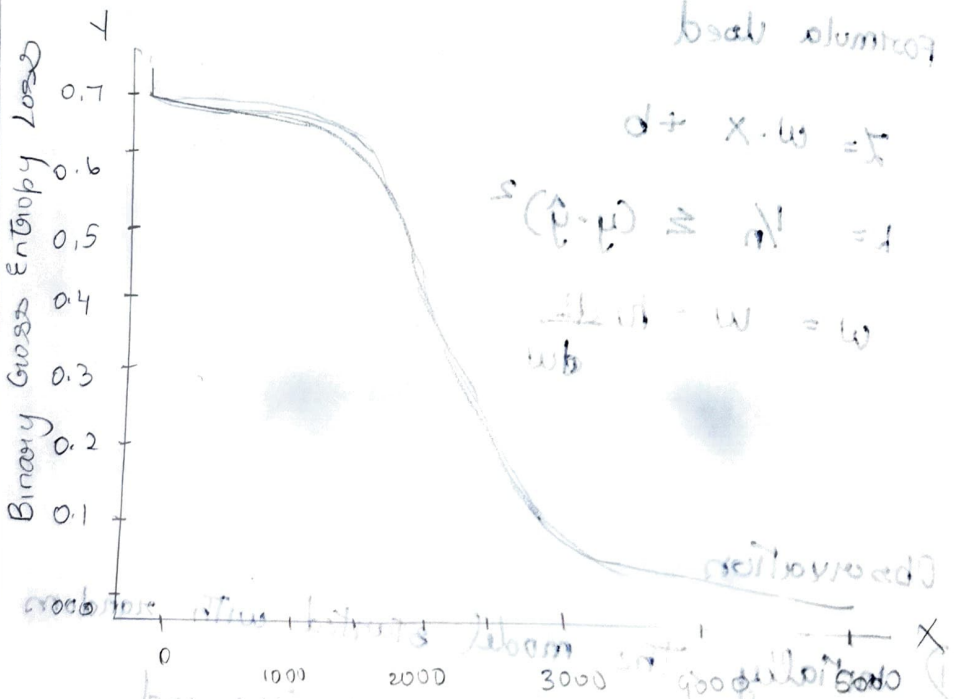
Epoch 3500 - Loss : 0.0046

Epoch 4000 - Loss : 0.0042

Epoch 4500 - Loss : 0.0038

Epoch 5000 - Loss : 0.0034

Loss over Epochs





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[1]: import torch
import torch.nn.functional as F
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

[4]: X = torch.tensor([[0, 0],
                      [0, 1],
                      [1, 0],
                      [1, 1]], dtype=torch.float32)
y = torch.tensor([[0], [1], [1], [0]], dtype=torch.float32)

[5]: torch.manual_seed(42)
input_size = 2
hidden1 = 4
hidden2 = 4
output_size = 1

[6]: W1 = torch.randn(input_size, hidden1, requires_grad=True)
b1 = torch.zeros(hidden1, requires_grad=True)

[7]: W2 = torch.randn(hidden1, hidden2, requires_grad=True)
b2 = torch.zeros(hidden2, requires_grad=True)

[8]: W3 = torch.randn(hidden2, output_size, requires_grad=True)
b3 = torch.zeros(output_size, requires_grad=True)
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b3 = torch.zeros(output_size, requires_grad=True)
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lr = 0.1  
epochs = 5000  
loss_history = []
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[13]: for epoch in range(epochs):
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    z1 = X @ W1 + b1  
    a1 = torch.sigmoid(z1)
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    z2 = a1 @ W2 + b2  
    a2 = torch.sigmoid(z2)
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    z3 = a2 @ W3 + b3  
    y_pred = torch.sigmoid(z3)  
    loss = F.binary_cross_entropy(y_pred, y)  
    loss.backward()
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    with torch.no_grad():  
        W1 -= lr * W1.grad  
        b1 -= lr * b1.grad
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        W2 -= lr * W2.grad  
        b2 -= lr * b2.grad
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W3 -= lr * W3.grad
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b3 -= lr * b3.grad
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# Zero the gradients
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W1.grad.zero_()
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b1.grad.zero_()
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W2.grad.zero_()
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b2.grad.zero_()
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W3.grad.zero_()
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b3.grad.zero_()
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loss_history.append(loss.item())
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if epoch % 500 == 0:
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    print(f"Epoch {epoch} - Loss: {loss.item():.4f}")
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[11]: plt.plot(loss_history)
plt.title("Loss over Epochs")
plt.xlabel("Epoch")
plt.ylabel("Binary Cross Entropy Loss")
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
    
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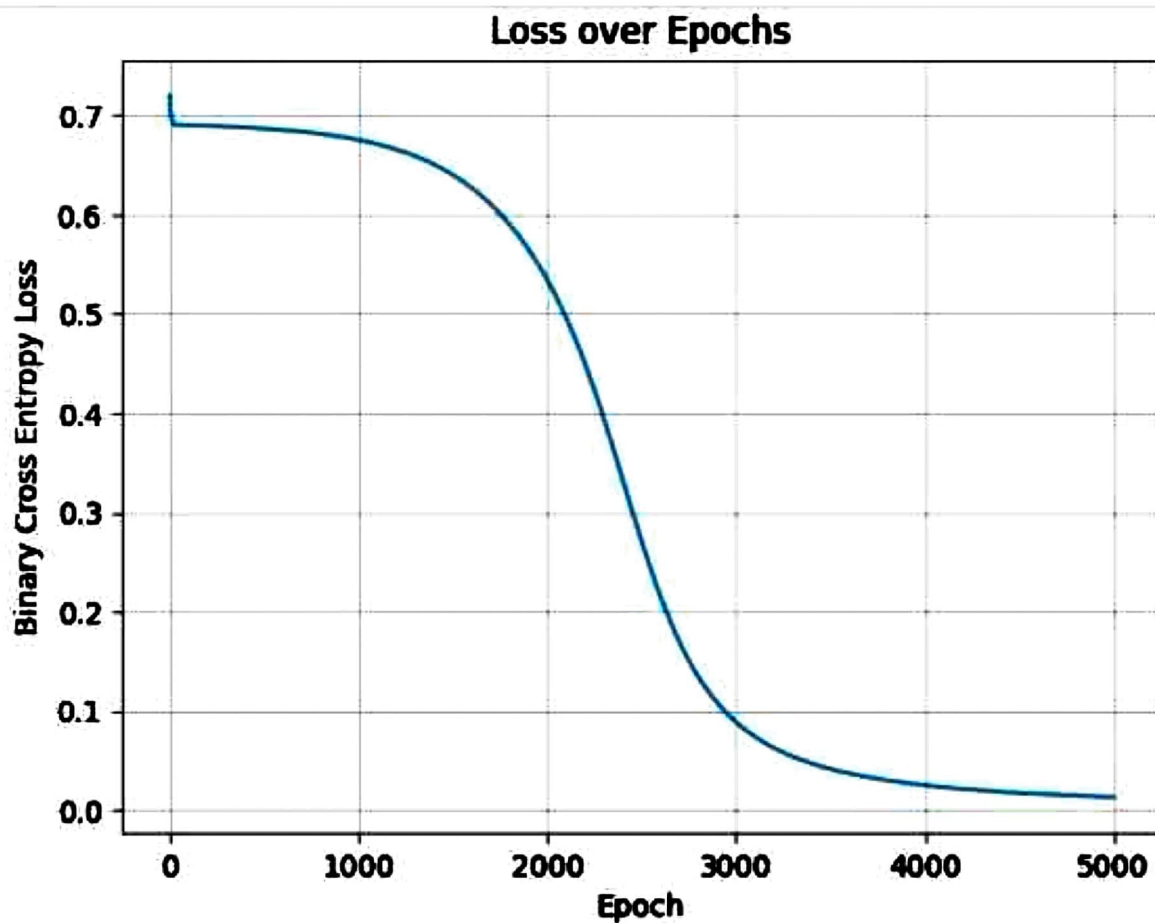
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[12]: with torch.no_grad():
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a1 = torch.sigmoid(z1)

z2 = a1 @ W2 + b2
a2 = torch.sigmoid(z2)

z3 = a2 @ W3 + b3
y_pred = torch.sigmoid(z3)
predicted = (y_pred > 0.5).float()

print("Predictions:\n", predicted)
print("Ground Truth:\n", y)
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Predictions:
tensor([[0.],
        [1.],
        [1.],
        [0.]])
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Ground Truth:
tensor([[0.],
        [1.],
        [1.],
        [0.]])
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