

# Homework 6 - MATH 4322

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## Instructions

1. Due date: November 22, 2022
2. Answer the questions fully for full credit.
3. Scan or Type your answers and submit only one file. (If you submit several files only the recent one uploaded will be graded).
4. Preferably save your file as PDF before uploading.
5. Submit in Blackboard under Contents → Homework → Homework 6.
6. These questions are based on the Neural Networks lectures.
7. The information in the gray boxes are R code that you can use to answer the questions.

## Problem 1

You are given:

- $n$  data samples  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{1,i}, \dots, x_{p,i}), i = 1, \dots, n$
- $n$  corresponding to true responses (or labels)  $y_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ .

and asked to train a single linear neuron “network” to approximate function  $f(\cdot)$  such that  $f(\mathbf{x}_i) = y_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ . Provided the train steps for your “network” by answering the following questions.

- a) What is the formula to calculate an output  $\hat{y}_i$  from an input  $\mathbf{x}_i$ ? What are the model parameters in that formula?
- b) What criteria do we need to optimize in order to estimate the model parameters?
- c) What is the name of the method used to optimize this criteria in case you do not have access to an analytical solution?

## Answers

- a)  $\hat{y}_i = \sum_{i=1}^p w_i x_i + b$ , the model parameters are:
  - Weights of inputs:  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p$ .
  - bias:  $b$ .
- b) We need to optimize the sum of the squared residuals of predicted values  $\hat{y}_i$ , when compared to the true values  $y_i$ :

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

Or if your data samples are fed one at a time, then when the  $i^{th}$  sample is fed, we need to optimize:

$$\frac{1}{2} (\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2$$

- c) Gradient decent.

## Problem 2

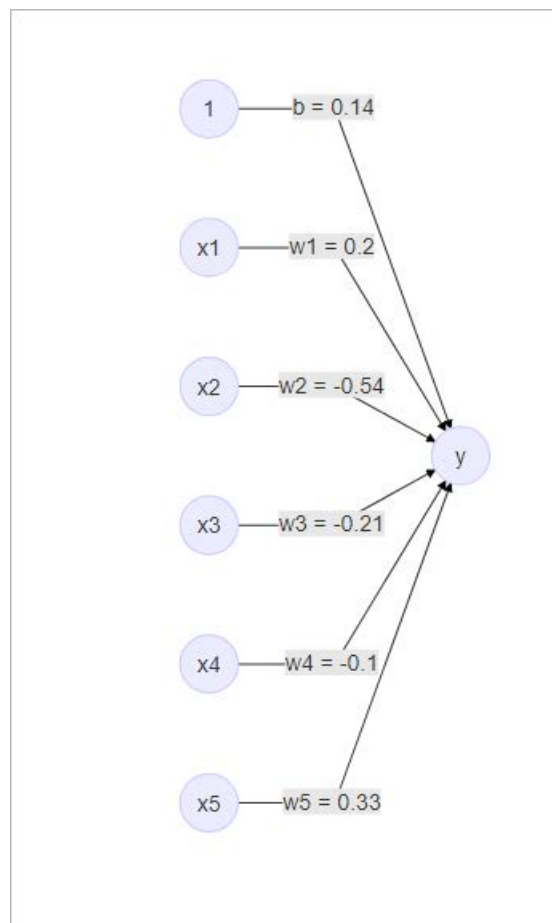
Presume that for a single linear neuron model with input variables  $x_1, \dots, x_5$ , you are given the following parameter values:

- weights:  $w_1 = 0.2, w_2 = -0.54, w_3 = -0.21, w_4 = -0.1, w_5 = 0.33$ ,
- bias:  $b = 0.14$ .

- Draw a mathematical model of this linear neuron that takes an arbitrary input vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$ .
- Calculate the linear neuron output for the case of  $x_1 = 4, x_2 = -3, x_3 = 7, x_4 = 5, x_5 = -1$ . Show your work.

### Answer

- Diagram



b)  $\hat{y} = 0.14 + 0.2(4) - 0.54(-3) - 0.21(7) - 0.1(5) + 0.33(-1) = 0.26$

## Problem 3

You are given an artificial neural network (ANN) of linear neurons with

- Input layer of two neurons:  $x_1, x_2$
- Fully-connected hidden layer of three neurons:  $h_1, h_2, h_3$
- One output neuron,  $y$ .

The following weight matrices are provided:

1) Between input & hidden layer:

		Hidden $h_1$	$h_2$	$h_3$
	1 (bias)	-0.3	0.5	0.5
Input	$x_1$	0.6	-0.4	0.5
	$x_2$	-0.7	-0.3	0.2

2) Between hidden & output layer:

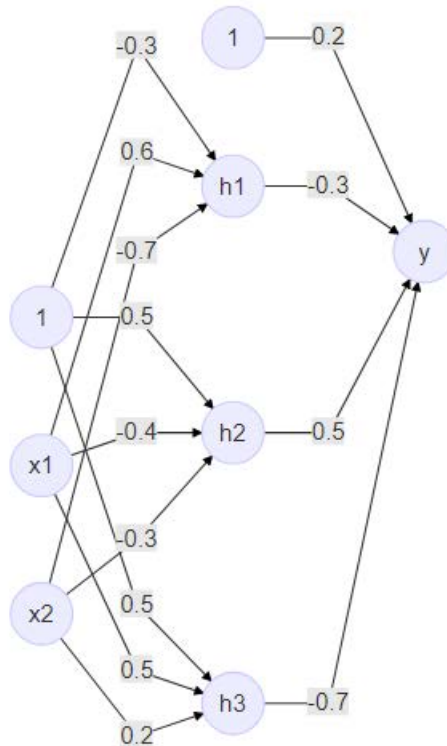
		Output $y$
	1 (bias)	0.2
Hidden	$h_1$	-0.3
	$h_2$	0.5
	$h_3$	-0.7

a) Draw this ANN as was done in lecture slides.

b) Calculate the output of this ANN for the case of  $x_1 = 10, x_2 = -5$ . Show work.

### Answers

a) Diagram



b) Calculations:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{h}_1 &= -0.3 + 0.6 * 10 - 0.7 * (-5) = 9.2 \\ \hat{h}_2 &= 0.5 - 0.4 * 10 - 0.3 * (-5) = -2 \\ \hat{h}_3 &= 0.5 + 0.5 * 10 + 0.2 * -5 = 4.5 \\ \hat{y} &= 0.2 - 0.3 * 9.2 + 0.5 * -2 - 0.7 * 4.5 = -6.71\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 4

- We want to predict the ‘medv’ value based on the input of the other thirteen variables.
- We will run a regression neural network for the Boston data set.
- We will split the data into training/testing by a 70/30 split.

a) Type and run the following in R.

```
library(neuralnet)
library(MASS)

data = Boston #renaming the Boston data set to "data"
summary(data)
```

##	crim	zn	indus	chas
##	Min. : 0.00632	Min. : 0.00	Min. : 0.46	Min. : 0.00000
##	1st Qu.: 0.08205	1st Qu.: 0.00	1st Qu.: 5.19	1st Qu.: 0.00000
##	Median : 0.25651	Median : 0.00	Median : 9.69	Median : 0.00000
##	Mean : 3.61352	Mean : 11.36	Mean : 11.14	Mean : 0.06917
##	3rd Qu.: 3.67708	3rd Qu.: 12.50	3rd Qu.: 18.10	3rd Qu.: 0.00000
##	Max. : 88.97620	Max. : 100.00	Max. : 27.74	Max. : 1.00000
##	nox	rm	age	dis
##	Min. : 0.3850	Min. : 3.561	Min. : 2.90	Min. : 1.130
##	1st Qu.: 0.4490	1st Qu.: 5.886	1st Qu.: 45.02	1st Qu.: 2.100
##	Median : 0.5380	Median : 6.208	Median : 77.50	Median : 3.207
##	Mean : 0.5547	Mean : 6.285	Mean : 68.57	Mean : 3.795
##	3rd Qu.: 0.6240	3rd Qu.: 6.623	3rd Qu.: 94.08	3rd Qu.: 5.188
##	Max. : 0.8710	Max. : 8.780	Max. : 100.00	Max. : 12.127
##	rad	tax	ptratio	black
##	Min. : 1.000	Min. : 187.0	Min. : 12.60	Min. : 0.32
##	1st Qu.: 4.000	1st Qu.: 279.0	1st Qu.: 17.40	1st Qu.: 375.38
##	Median : 5.000	Median : 330.0	Median : 19.05	Median : 391.44
##	Mean : 9.549	Mean : 408.2	Mean : 18.46	Mean : 356.67
##	3rd Qu.: 24.000	3rd Qu.: 666.0	3rd Qu.: 20.20	3rd Qu.: 396.23
##	Max. : 24.000	Max. : 711.0	Max. : 22.00	Max. : 396.90
##	lstat	medv		
##	Min. : 1.73	Min. : 5.00		
##	1st Qu.: 6.95	1st Qu.: 17.02		
##	Median : 11.36	Median : 21.20		
##	Mean : 12.65	Mean : 22.53		
##	3rd Qu.: 16.95	3rd Qu.: 25.00		
##	Max. : 37.97	Max. : 50.00		

What is the mean of age? What is the mean of ptratio?

**Answer**

mean(age) = 68.57, mean(ptratio) = 19.05

b) Normalizing data

- It is recommended to **normalize** (or scale, or standardize, either works) features in order for all the variables to be on the same scale.
- With normalization, data units are eliminated, allowing you to easily compare data from different locations.
- This avoids unnecessary results or difficult training processes resulting in algorithm convergence problems.
- There are different methods for scaling the data.
- The **z-normalization**

$$x_{scale} = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{s}$$

- The **min-max scale**

$$x_{scale} = \frac{x - x_{min}}{x_{max} - x_{min}}$$

- And so forth
- The function in R is `scale(x, center = , scale = )`
- For this example we will use the min-max method to get all the scaled data in the range [0, 1].
- In order to scale we need to find the minimum and maximum value for each of the columns in the data set. To do this we use the `apply` function.
- The `apply` function returns a vector or an array or a list of values obtained by **applying** a function to margins of an array or matrix.
- Type and run the following:

```
max_data = apply(data,2,max)
#2=columns, we are getting the maximum value from each column
min_data = apply(data,2,min)
data_scaled = scale(data, center = min_data, scale = max_data - min_data)
head(data_scaled)
```

```
##          crim    zn      indus chas      nox      rm      age      dis
## 1 0.0000000000 0.18 0.06781525    0 0.3148148 0.5775053 0.6416066 0.2692031
## 2 0.0002359225 0.00 0.24230205    0 0.1728395 0.5479977 0.7826982 0.3489620
## 3 0.0002356977 0.00 0.24230205    0 0.1728395 0.6943859 0.5993821 0.3489620
## 4 0.0002927957 0.00 0.06304985    0 0.1502058 0.6585553 0.4418126 0.4485446
## 5 0.0007050701 0.00 0.06304985    0 0.1502058 0.6871048 0.5283213 0.4485446
## 6 0.0002644715 0.00 0.06304985    0 0.1502058 0.5497222 0.5746653 0.4485446
##          rad      tax  ptratio    black    lstat    medv
## 1 0.00000000 0.20801527 0.2872340 1.0000000 0.08967991 0.4222222
## 2 0.04347826 0.10496183 0.5531915 1.0000000 0.20447020 0.3688889
## 3 0.04347826 0.10496183 0.5531915 0.9897373 0.06346578 0.6600000
## 4 0.08695652 0.06679389 0.6489362 0.9942761 0.03338852 0.6311111
## 5 0.08695652 0.06679389 0.6489362 1.0000000 0.09933775 0.6933333
## 6 0.08695652 0.06679389 0.6489362 0.9929901 0.09602649 0.5266667
```

What is the scaled value of the first observation for medv?

**Answer** 0.42222

- c) Now we can split the data into training and testing data sets. We will use the 70/30 split

```
set.seed(10)
index = sample(1:nrow(data), round(0.7*nrow(data)))
train_data = as.data.frame(data_scaled[index,])
test_data = as.data.frame(data_scaled[-index,])
dim(train_data)
```

```
## [1] 354 14
```

How many observations do we have in the training data set?

**Answer** 354

d) Type and run the following

```
set.seed(1)
net_data = neuralnet(medv ~ ., data = train_data,
                      hidden = 10, linear.output = TRUE)

plot(net_data)
```

Apply the test data set to determine the MSE

```
predict_net = predict(net_data, test_data)
predict_net_start = predict_net * (max(data$medv) - min(data$medv)) + min(data$medv)
test_data_start = test_data$medv * (max(data$medv) - min(data$medv)) + min(data$medv)
sum((predict_net_start - test_data_start)^2) / nrow(test_data)
```

```
## [1] 15.37819
```

What is the test MSE for this model?

**Answer** I got 15.37819, this is \$3921.5.

e) Let us compare this test MSE to the linear regression model. Type and run the following:

```
lm.boston = lm(medv ~ ., data = data, subset = index)
summary(lm.boston)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = medv ~ ., data = data, subset = index)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -13.981  -3.029  -0.529   1.882   25.349
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  4.073e+01  6.167e+00   6.606 1.53e-10 ***
## crim        -9.253e-02  5.445e-02  -1.700 0.090140 .
## zn          4.810e-02  1.737e-02   2.769 0.005936 **
## indus       -6.504e-04  8.068e-02  -0.008 0.993573
## chas         2.910e+00  1.124e+00   2.589 0.010045 *
## nox        -1.948e+01  4.636e+00  -4.202 3.39e-05 ***
## rm          3.203e+00  5.057e-01   6.333 7.60e-10 ***
## age         1.022e-02  1.627e-02   0.628 0.530150
## dis        -1.481e+00  2.454e-01  -6.033 4.20e-09 ***
## rad         2.948e-01  8.303e-02   3.551 0.000439 ***
## tax        -1.227e-02  4.786e-03  -2.564 0.010775 *
## ptratio     -9.461e-01  1.678e-01  -5.638 3.61e-08 ***
## black        9.767e-03  3.464e-03   2.819 0.005094 **
## lstat       -5.385e-01  6.229e-02  -8.646 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##  
## Residual standard error: 4.989 on 340 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7062, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6949  
## F-statistic: 62.85 on 13 and 340 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16  
  
test = data[-index,]  
predict_lm = predict(lm.boston,test)  
sum((predict_lm - test$medv)^2)/nrow(test)  
  
## [1] 17.77379
```

What is the training MSE for the linear model?

**Answer** I got 17.77379 which is higher than the neural network.