

# Softmax & Cross-Entropy

Additional Reading:

*How to implement a neural network Intermezzo 2*

By Peter Roelants (2016)

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial z_i} &= -\sum_{j=1}^C \frac{\partial t_j \log(y_j)}{\partial z_i} = -\sum_{j=1}^C t_j \frac{\partial \log(y_j)}{\partial z_i} = -\sum_{j=1}^C t_j \frac{1}{y_j} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial z_i} \\ &= -\frac{t_i}{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial z_i} - \sum_{j \neq i}^C \frac{t_j}{y_j} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial z_i} = -\frac{t_i}{y_i} y_i (1 - y_i) - \sum_{j \neq i}^C \frac{t_j}{y_j} (-y_j y_i) \\ &= -t_i + t_i y_i + \sum_{j \neq i}^C t_j y_i = -t_i + \sum_{j=1}^C t_j y_i = -t_i + y_i \sum_{j=1}^C t_j \\ &= y_i - t_i\end{aligned}$$

Link:

[http://peterroelants.github.io/posts/neural\\_network\\_implementation\\_intermezzo02/](http://peterroelants.github.io/posts/neural_network_implementation_intermezzo02/)