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# 0.1 This is the k-nearest neighbors workbook for ECE C147/C247 Assignment #2

Please follow the notebook linearly to implement k-nearest neighbors.

Please print out the workbook entirely when completed.

The goal of this workbook is to give you experience with the data, training and evaluating a simple classifier, k-fold cross validation, and as a Python refresher.

## 0.2 Import the appropriate libraries

The autoreload extension is already loaded. To reload it, use: %reload\_ext autoreload

```
[62]: # Set the path to the CIFAR-10 data

cifar10_dir = "/Users/mylesthemonster/Documents/ece_c247/hw2/hw2_code/

cifar-10-batches-py"

X_train, y_train, X_test, y_test = load_CIFAR10(cifar10_dir)

# As a sanity check, we print out the size of the training and test data.

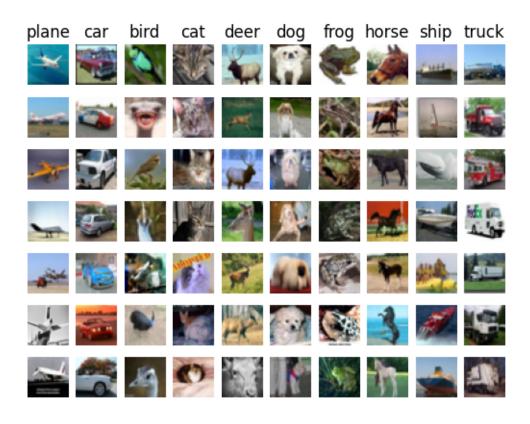
print("Training data shape: ", X_train.shape)

print("Training labels shape: ", y_train.shape)

print("Test data shape: ", X_test.shape)

print("Test labels shape: ", y_test.shape)
```

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Training data shape: (50000, 32, 32, 3)
     Training labels shape: (50000,)
     Test data shape: (10000, 32, 32, 3)
     Test labels shape: (10000,)
[63]: # Visualize some examples from the dataset.
      # We show a few examples of training images from each class.
      classes = [
          "plane",
          "car",
          "bird",
          "cat",
          "deer",
          "dog",
          "frog",
          "horse",
          "ship",
          "truck",
      num_classes = len(classes)
      samples_per_class = 7
      for y, cls in enumerate(classes):
          idxs = np.flatnonzero(y_train == y)
          idxs = np.random.choice(idxs, samples_per_class, replace=False)
          for i, idx in enumerate(idxs):
              plt idx = i * num classes + y + 1
              plt.subplot(samples_per_class, num_classes, plt_idx)
              plt.imshow(X_train[idx].astype("uint8"))
              plt.axis("off")
              if i == 0:
                  plt.title(cls)
      plt.show()
```



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[64]: # Subsample the data for more efficient code execution in this exercise
    num_training = 5000
    mask = list(range(num_training))
    X_train = X_train[mask]
    y_train = y_train[mask]

    num_test = 500
    mask = list(range(num_test))
    X_test = X_test[mask]
    y_test = y_test[mask]

# Reshape the image data into rows
    X_train = np.reshape(X_train, (X_train.shape[0], -1))
    X_test = np.reshape(X_test, (X_test.shape[0], -1))
    print(X_train.shape, X_test.shape)
```

# 1 K-nearest neighbors

(5000, 3072) (500, 3072)

In the following cells, you will build a KNN classifier and choose hyperparameters via k-fold cross-validation.

```
[65]: # Import the KNN class from nndl import KNN
```

```
[66]: # Declare an instance of the knn class.
knn = KNN()

# Train the classifier.
# We have implemented the training of the KNN classifier.
# Look at the train function in the KNN class to see what this does.
knn.train(X=X_train, y=y_train)
```

#### 1.1 Questions

- (1) Describe what is going on in the function knn.train().
- (2) What are the pros and cons of this training step?

#### 1.2 Answers

(1) The inside the knn.train() function looks like:

```
def train(self, X, y):
    """
    Inputs:
    - X is a numpy array of size (num_examples, D)
    - y is a numpy array of size (num_examples, )
    """
    self.X_train = X
    self.y_train = y
```

All this being done is that the training data is being stored in the class.

(2) The pros of this training step are that it is simple. A con of this training step is that it will take up memory.

## 1.3 KNN prediction

In the following sections, you will implement the functions to calculate the distances of test points to training points, and from this information, predict the class of the KNN.

Time to run code: 14.396498918533325 Frobenius norm of L2 distances: 7906696.077040902

**Really slow code** Note: This probably took a while. This is because we use two for loops. We could increase the speed via vectorization, removing the for loops.

If you implemented this correctly, evaluating np.linalg.norm (dists\_L2, 'fro') should return:  $\sim\!7906696$ 

#### 1.3.1 KNN vectorization

The above code took far too long to run. If we wanted to optimize hyperparameters, it would be time-expensive. Thus, we will speed up the code by vectorizing it, removing the for loops.

Time to run code: 0.06827902793884277

Difference in L2 distances between your KNN implementations (should be 0): 0.0

**Speedup** Depending on your computer speed, you should see a 10-100x speed up from vectorization. On our computer, the vectorized form took 0.36 seconds while the naive implementation took 38.3 seconds.

## 1.3.2 Implementing the prediction

Now that we have functions to calculate the distances from a test point to given training points, we now implement the function that will predict the test point labels.

```
[69]: # Implement the function predict_labels in the KNN class.
# Calculate the training error (num_incorrect / total_samples)
# from running knn.predict_labels with k=1
```

#### 0.726

If you implemented this correctly, the error should be: 0.726.

This means that the k-nearest neighbors classifier is right 27.4% of the time, which is not great, considering that chance levels are 10%.

# 2 Optimizing KNN hyperparameters

In this section, we'll take the KNN classifier that you have constructed and perform cross-validation to choose a best value of k, as well as a best choice of norm.

#### 2.0.1 Create training and validation folds

First, we will create the training and validation folds for use in k-fold cross validation.

```
# Divide the number of examples by the number of folds
fold_size = int(n / num_folds)
# Iterate over the number of folds
for i in range(num_folds):
    # Append each fold of the training data to the X_train_folds list
    X_train_folds.append(X_train[i * fold_size : i * fold_size + fold_size])
    # Append each fold of the corresponding labels to the y train folds list
    y_train_folds.append(y_train[i * fold_size : i * fold_size + fold_size])
print("==>> y_train.shape: ", y_train.shape)
print("==>> X_train.shape: ", X_train.shape)
print("==>> y_train_folds[0].shape: ", y_train_folds[0].shape)
print("==>> X_train_folds[0].shape: ", X_train_folds[0].shape)
print("==>> Labels in each fold: ", y_train_folds[0].shape[0])
print("==>> Training data entries in each fold: ", X_train_folds[0].shape[0])
# END YOUR CODE HERE
# ----- #
==>> y_train.shape: (5000,)
==>> X_train.shape: (5000, 3072)
==>> y_train_folds[0].shape: (1000,)
==>> X_train_folds[0].shape: (1000, 3072)
==>> Labels in each fold: 1000
```

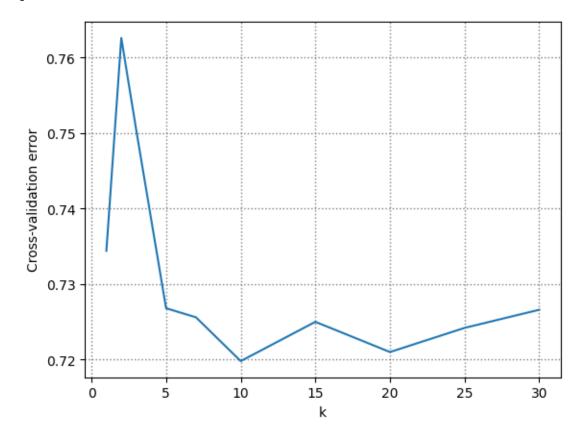
#### 2.0.2 Optimizing the number of nearest neighbors hyperparameter.

==>> Training data entries in each fold: 1000

In this section, we select different numbers of nearest neighbors and assess which one has the lowest k-fold cross validation error.

```
\# List to store the average cross-validation error for each k
avr_cross_val_err = []
entries_per_fold = y_train_folds[0].shape[0]
# Loop through each k
for k in ks:
    total_error = 0
    # Loop through each fold
    for i in range(num folds):
        # Declare an instance of the knn class.
        knn = KNN()
        # Create the training and testing sets for the current fold
        X_test_fold = X_train_folds[i]
        y_test_fold = y_train_folds[i]
        X_train_fold = np.concatenate(X_train_folds[:i] + X_train_folds[i + 1 :
 →1)
        y train fold = np.concatenate(y train folds[:i] + y train folds[i + 1 :
 →1)
        # Train the model on the current training set
        knn.train(X=X_train_fold, y=y_train_fold)
        # Compute the L2 distances and predict the labels using the current |
 \rightarrowvalue of k
        dists_fold = knn.compute_L2_distances_vectorized(X_test_fold)
        y_est_fold = knn.predict_labels(dists_fold, k)
        # Calculate the number of correct predictions
        total_correct = np.sum(y_test_fold == y_est_fold)
        # Calculate the error for the current fold
        error = (entries_per_fold - total_correct) / entries_per_fold
        # Add the error for the current fold to the total error
        total error += error
    # Append the average error for the current value of k to the list of errors
    avr_cross_val_err.append(total_error / num_folds)
index_min_error = np.argmin(avr_cross_val_err)
print(f"The optimal k is k = {ks[index_min_error]}, with a cross-validation ∪
 Gerror of {avr_cross_val_err[index_min_error]}")
```

The optimal k is k = 10, with a cross-validation error of 0.7198



Computation time: 14.99

## 2.1 Questions:

- (1) What value of k is best amongst the tested k's?
- (2) What is the cross-validation error for this value of k?

#### 2.2 Answers:

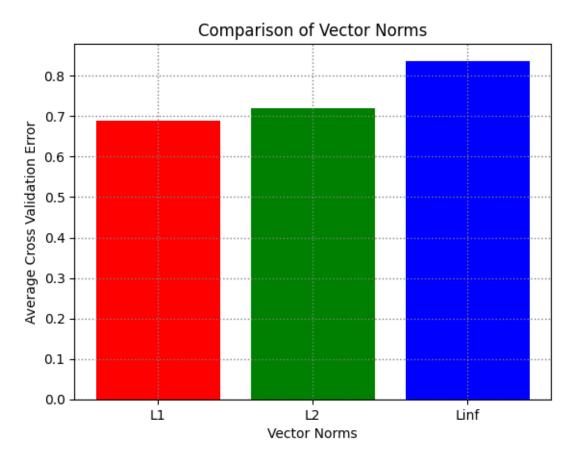
- (1) The best value of k amongst the tested k's is k = 10
- (2) The cross-validation error for k = 10 is 0.7198

#### 2.2.1 Optimizing the norm

Next, we test three different norms (the 1, 2, and infinity norms) and see which distance metric results in the best cross-validation performance.

```
[72]: time_start = time.time()
     L1_norm = lambda x: np.linalg.norm(x, ord=1)
     L2_norm = lambda x: np.linalg.norm(x, ord=2)
     Linf_norm = lambda x: np.linalg.norm(x, ord=np.inf)
     norms = [L1_norm, L2_norm, Linf_norm]
     # ----- #
     # YOUR CODE HERE:
        Calculate the cross-validation error for each norm in norms, testing
        the trained model on each of the 5 folds. Average these errors
        together and make a plot of the norm used us the cross-validation error
        Use the best cross-validation k from the previous part.
      #
         Feel free to use the compute_distances function. We're testing just
        three norms, but be advised that this could still take some time.
         You're welcome to write a vectorized form of the L1- and Linf- norms
         to speed this up, but it is not necessary.
     # Vectorized form of the L1- and Linf- norms
     Vec_L1_norm = lambda x: np.sum(np.abs(x))
     Vec_L2_norm = lambda x: np.sqrt(np.sum(x**2))
     Vec_Linf_norm = lambda x: np.max(np.abs(x))
     vec_norms = [Vec_L1_norm, Vec_L2_norm, Vec_Linf_norm]
     vec_norms_names = ["L1", "L2", "Linf"]
     # List to store the average cross-validation error for each norm
     avr cross val err = []
     entries_per_fold = y_train_folds[0].shape[0]
     # Best k from the previous part
     k = 10
     # Iterate over each norm
     for l in vec_norms:
         total_error = 0
```

```
# Iterate over each fold
   for i in range(num_folds):
        # Initialize KNN classifier
       knn = KNN()
        # Create the training and testing sets for the current fold
       X_test_fold = X_train_folds[i]
       y_test_fold = y_train_folds[i]
       X_train_fold = np.concatenate(X_train_folds[:i] + X_train_folds[i + 1 :
 →])
       y_train_fold = np.concatenate(y_train_folds[:i] + y_train_folds[i + 1 :
 →])
        # Train the model on the current training set
       knn.train(X=X_train_fold, y=y_train_fold)
        # Compute the distances between the test data and the train data using_
 ⇔the current norm
        dists_fold = knn.compute_distances(X_test_fold, 1)
        # Predict the labels for the test data using the current norm
       y_est_fold = knn.predict_labels(dists_fold, k)
        # Calculate the error for the current fold
       y_diff_fold = y_test_fold - y_est_fold
        # Calculate the number of correct predictions
       total_correct = np.sum(y_test_fold == y_est_fold)
        # Calculate the error for the current fold
        error = (entries_per_fold - total_correct) / entries_per_fold
        # Add the error for the current fold to the total error
       total_error += error
    # Append the average error for the current value of k to the list of errors
   avr_cross_val_err.append(total_error / num_folds)
# Print the errors for each norm
for j in np.arange(len(avr_cross_val_err)):
   print(
       f"For the {vec_norms_names[j]} vectorized norm , the cross-validation_
 Gerror is {avr_cross_val_err[j]}"
   )
# Plot the error vs the norm used
```



Computation time: 311.81

#### 2.3 Questions:

- (1) What norm has the best cross-validation error?
- (2) What is the cross-validation error for your given norm and k?

#### 2.4 Answers:

- (1) The L1 norm has the best cross-validation error
- (2) the cross-validation error for the L1 norm and k = 10 is 0.68860000000000001

# 3 Evaluating the model on the testing dataset.

Now, given the optimal k and norm you found in earlier parts, evaluate the testing error of the k-nearest neighbors model.

Error rate achieved: 0.722

## 3.1 Question:

How much did your error improve by cross-validation over naively choosing k = 1 and using the L2-norm?

## 3.2 Answer:

My error from by cross-validation with k = 1 and using the L2-norm was 0.726 and my error from cross-validation with the optimal k = 10 and L1-norm is 0.722. This means that my error improved by 0.004.