
Deep Learning Assignment 3

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1 General Questions

(a) Say if the first module is:

$$\max(W_1 X) \quad (1)$$

where the W input layer maybe doing summation and summation just like matrix multiplication does WX , and the \max function is a non-linear active function modifying the value like a neuron does before entering the next module:

$$W_2(\max(W_1 X)) \quad (2)$$

If now we don't have the active function then the formula will look like:

$$W_2(W_1 X) \rightarrow \bar{W} X \quad (3)$$

which eventually all W_i can become a single module \bar{W}

2 Softmax regression gradient calculation

Given

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(Wx + b), \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, W \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times d}, b \in \mathbb{R}^k \quad (4)$$

where d is the input dimension, k is the number of classes, σ is the softmax function:

$$\sigma(a)_i = \frac{\exp(a_i)}{\sum_j \exp(a_j)} \quad (5)$$

Which means a given input x will output y with probability of each class

2.1 Derive $\frac{\partial l}{\partial W_{ij}}$

If the given cross-entropy loss defined as followed:

$$l(y, \hat{y}) = - \sum_i y_i \log \hat{y}_i \quad (6)$$

As W_{ij} will affect the prediction of class i by multiplying index j in x , therefore we can derive:

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial W_{ij}} = \frac{\partial l}{\partial \hat{y}_i} \frac{\partial \hat{y}_i}{\partial W_{ij}} \quad (7)$$

where:

$$l(y, \hat{y}) = - \sum_i y_i \log \hat{y}_i = -(y_1 \log \hat{y}_1 + y_2 \log \hat{y}_2 + \dots + y_i \log \hat{y}_i + \dots) \quad (8)$$

and therefore

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \hat{y}_i} = \frac{-y_i}{\hat{y}_i} \quad (9)$$

17 And we can rewrite for only for \hat{y}_i :

$$\hat{y}_i = \frac{\exp(a_i)}{\sum_j \exp(a_j)} = \frac{\exp(a_i)}{C + \exp(a_i)}, \text{ where } C = \sum_{k \neq i} \exp(a_k) \quad (10)$$

18 Since

$$\frac{\partial \exp(a_i)}{\partial W_{ij}} = X_j \exp(a_i) \quad (11)$$

19 Therefore

$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}_i}{\partial W_{ij}} = X_j \hat{y}_i (1 - \hat{y}_i) \quad (12)$$

20 Finally, we will get the result of $\frac{\partial l}{\partial W_{ij}}$:

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial W_{ij}} = \frac{\partial l}{\partial \hat{y}_i} \frac{\partial \hat{y}_i}{\partial W_{ij}} = -X_j y_i (1 - \hat{y}_i) \quad (13)$$

21 **2.2 What happen when $y_{c_1} = 1, \hat{y}_{c_2} = 1, c_1 \neq c_2$**

22 This means something like $y = [1, 0, 0]^T$ and $\hat{y} = [0, 0, 1]^T$, and the predict is far different from true
 23 lable. This will cause the log part in loss (3) become negative infinity. We may not need to worry this
 24 because before one of the class predicted close to 1 and everything else close to 0, it will generate a
 25 great positive loss the the class that is miss-predicted trying to make the predict right to true label.

26 **3 Chain rule**

27 **4 Variants of pooling**

28 **5 Convolution**

29 (a) As it is using 3x3 kernal along x and y axis of input, which is 5 and 5 respectively. The output of
 30 this layer will be $(5 - 3 + 1) \times (5 - 3 + 1)$ which is 3x3.

31 (b) Assuming the kernel operation is point-point multiplication and summation, then the output of
 32 this layer is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 109 & 92 & 72 \\ 108 & 85 & 74 \\ 110 & 74 & 79 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$(c) \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 7 & 10 & 6 & 3 \\ 9 & 17 & 25 & 16 & 8 \\ 11 & 23 & 34 & 23 & 11 \\ 7 & 16 & 24 & 17 & 8 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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36 **6 Optimization**

37 (a) say the encoder and decoder is defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} z &= W_1 x + b_1 \\ \tilde{x} &= W_2 z + b_2 \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

38 And therefore the reconstruction loss J will be:

$$J(W_1, b_1, W_2, b_2) = (\tilde{x} - x)^2 = (W_2(W_1 x + b_1) + b_2 - x)^2 \quad (15)$$

(b) To have the gradient of reconstruction loss respective to the parameters, we take the derivative of each parameters:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial J}{\partial W_1} &= W_2 x \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_2} &= W_1 x + b_1\end{aligned}\tag{16}$$

(c) Say now we are at stage t and would like to compute W_1^{t+1} and W_2^{t+1} :

$$\begin{aligned}W_1^{t+1} &= W_1^t - \mu_1^t \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_1^t} = W_1^t - \mu_1^t (W_2 x) \\ W_2^{t+1} &= W_2^t - \mu_2^t \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_2^t} = W_2^t - \mu_2^t (W_1 x + b_1)\end{aligned}\tag{17}$$

where μ_1^t and μ_2^t are the step size at stage t

(d) The updates during stochastic gradient descent usually involves Move-Forward and Correction stages and this oscillation may delay the efficiency of convergence, and therefore adding a momentum term may make the update toward the good direction as well as with the previous update history considered:

$$\begin{aligned}W_1^{t+1} &= W_1^t - \mu_1^t \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_1^t} + \Delta W_1^t \\ W_2^{t+1} &= W_2^t - \mu_2^t \frac{\partial J}{\partial W_2^t} + \Delta W_2^t\end{aligned}\tag{18}$$

7 Top-k error

For image classification, sometime the class is ambiguous, and the loss during is being modified to consider multiple label. The top-k error rate is the fraction of test images for which the correct label is not among the top-k labels considered most probable. The reason why ImageNet using both top-5 and top-1 is due to sometimes only looking at top-1 error cannot be objective enough to evaluate the model because the image itself contains multi-label, and therefore evaluating top-5 error is important too.

8 t-SNE

9 Proximal gradient descent

(a) Since Proximal operator is defined as:

$$prox_{h,t}(x) = argmin_z \frac{1}{2} \|z - x\|_2^2 + th(z)\tag{19}$$

which the optimal condition is to have the gradient w.r.t z equal to 0:

$$0 \in z - x + t\partial h(z)\tag{20}$$

if function $h(z) = \|z\|_1$ and $z_i \neq 0$, then:

$$\partial h(z) = sign(z)\tag{21}$$

And therefore the optimal solution z^* will be:

$$z^* = x - t \cdot sign(z^*)\tag{22}$$

Noted that if $z_i^* < 0$, then $x_i < -t$, and if $z_i^* > 0$, then $x_i > t$. This implies $|x_i| > t$ and $sign(z_i^*) = sign(x_i)$, and we can rewrite formula to:

$$z_i^* = x_i - t \cdot sign(x_i)\tag{23}$$

Then if the solution $z_i^* = 0$, the subgradient of l1-norm is in the interval of $[-1, 1]$, and we can write:

$$0 \in -x_i + t \cdot [-1, 1] \implies x_i \in [-t, t] \implies |x_i| \leq t\tag{24}$$

Therefore the solution of Proximal operator will be:

$$z_i^* = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |x_i| \leq t \\ x_i - t \cdot sign(x_i) & \text{if } |x_i| > t \end{cases}\tag{25}$$

which is

$$prox_{h,t}(x) = S_t(x) = (|x| - t)_+ \odot sign(x) \quad (\text{element-wise})\tag{26}$$

which is a soft-threshold function with t as threshold value

67 **(b)** In the field of signal processing, the true signal usually will be blurred as followed:

$$Ax = b \quad (27)$$

68 where A is the blur operation, b is the known observed blurred-signal. The way to solve true signal x
69 is called deblurring problem:

$$\min_x \{F(x) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \|b - Ax\|_2^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1\} \quad (28)$$

70 This is ISTA problem, and as we can see the first term is convex and differentiable, and the second
71 term is convex and simple l1-norm function. Then the ISTA is become one example of proximal
72 gradient descent
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74 **(c)** From the definition of Proximal operator the optimal solution is where $\frac{\partial \text{prox}_{h,t}}{\partial z} = 0$, and
75 therefore we will have:

$$0 \in z - x + t\partial h(z) \quad (29)$$

76 After we rewrite the function and replace z by u which is the optimal result from Proximal function:

$$\frac{x - u}{t} \in \partial h(u) \quad (30)$$

77 which means the calculated result from proximal function will be within the interval proportional to
78 the subgradient of the simple-nonDerentiable function $h(x)$
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80 **(d)** From definition of Proximal operator, the optimal solution x_{k+1} will be:

$$x_{k+1} = \text{prox}_{h,\alpha_k}(x_k - \alpha_k \nabla g(x_k)) = x_k - \alpha_k \nabla g(x_k) - \alpha_k \partial h(x_{k+1}) \quad (31)$$

81 and from definition:

$$G_{\alpha_k}(x_k) = \frac{x_k - \text{prox}_{h,\alpha_k}(x_k - \alpha_k \nabla g(x_k))}{\alpha_k} \quad (32)$$

82 after rewrite:

$$x_k - \alpha_k \nabla g(x_k) - \alpha_k \partial h(x_{k+1}) = x_k - \alpha_k G_{\alpha_k}(x_k) \quad (33)$$

83 Therefore

$$G_{\alpha_k}(x_k) - \nabla g(x_k) \in \partial h(x_{k+1}) \quad (34)$$

84 which is because h is not differentiable and the result will within the range of subgradient of $\partial h(x_{k+1})$