CSCI3230 Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence
Written Assignment 1
Due date: 23:59:59 (GMT +08:00), October 16th, 2020

I. Neural Network

a) For the following single perceptron, write output unit O in terms of input units I_j's and weights w_j's where the activation function is denoted by f. Assume there is a input unit $I_0 = 1$ connecting to the neuron with weight w_0.
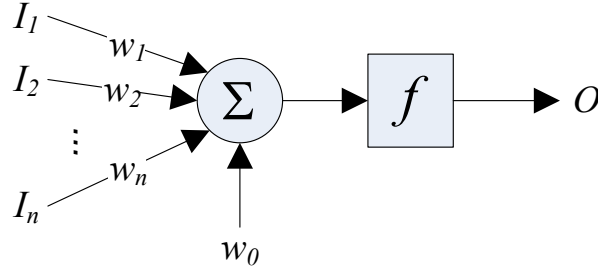

Figure 1. Single perceptron

b) For the following multiple layer perceptron (neural network), error term is $E = \dfrac{1}{2}\sum_{m=1}^{H_{K+1}}(O_m - T_m)^2$ where T_m is the m-th target desired output. Let $h_{i,k}$ be the output of $N_{i,k}$ and $h_{i,0} = 1$, write down the equation of $h_{i,k}$ and O_m.
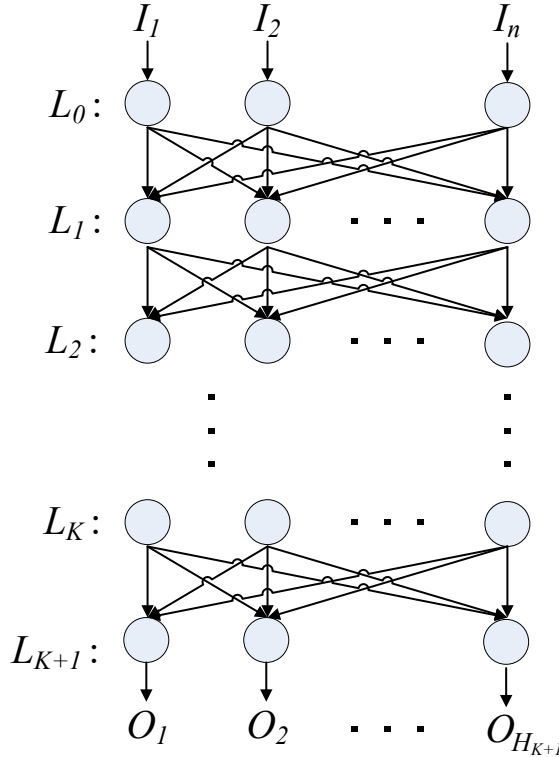

Figure 2. Multiple layer perceptron where L_0 is the Input Layer and L_{K+1} is the Output Layer. For each layer L_i, it has H_i number of neurons. For each node $N_{i,j}$, the j-th node in the layer L_i, is the single perceptron in part a. For each two nodes in adjacent layers, there is a connection with weight, $w_{i,j,k}$, which is the weight connecting $N_{i,j}$ and $N_{i+1,k}$.

c) For the activation function $f(z) = \dfrac{1}{1+e^{-z}}$, show that $f'(z) = f(z)(1 - f(z))$.

d) One way to iteratively minimize a smooth function $g(z)$, is to use gradient descent The rule is $x_{t+1} = x_t - \alpha g'(x_t)$ until $|x_{t+1} - x_t| < \varepsilon$, where α and ε are the learning rate and the tolerance level respectively. Explain why we need the learning rate α.

e) For fixed input, error term $E = \dfrac{1}{2}\sum_{m=1}^{H_{K+1}}(O_m - T_m)^2$ is also a function of $w_{i,j,k}$'s. Our goal is to find a set of $w_{i,j,k}$'s such that E is minimized.

i) For figure 3, express $\dfrac{\partial E}{\partial w_{K,j,k}}$ for the purple-colored output neuron in terms of the symbols in figure 3 and T_k.
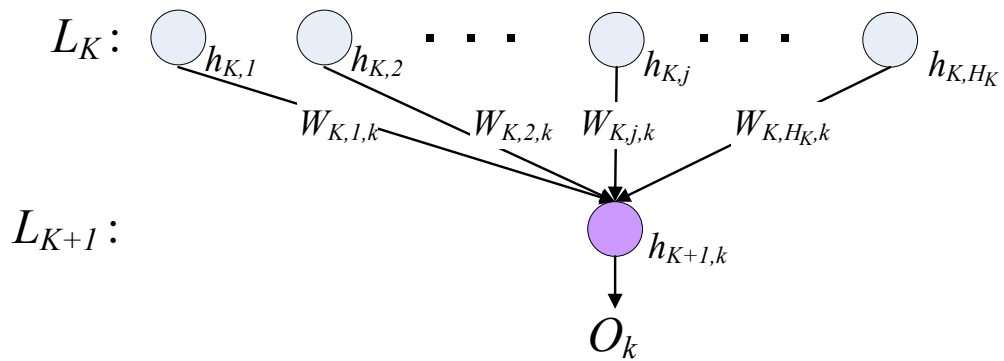

Figure 3. The bottom part of the multiple layer perceptron, where $h_{i,j}$ is the output value of Node $N_{i,j}$. The purple-colored node indicates each of the H_{K+1} nodes in the output layer L_{K+1}.

ii) Referring to the yellow-colored hidden neuron and the symbols in figure 4, show that $\dfrac{\partial E}{\partial h_{i+1,k}} = \sum_{m=1}^{H_{i+2}} \Delta_{i+2,\widehat{m}} \cdot w_{i+1,k,\widehat{m}}$, where $\Delta_{i,k} = \dfrac{\partial E}{\partial h_{i,k}} \cdot h_{i,k} \cdot (1 - h_{i,k})$.
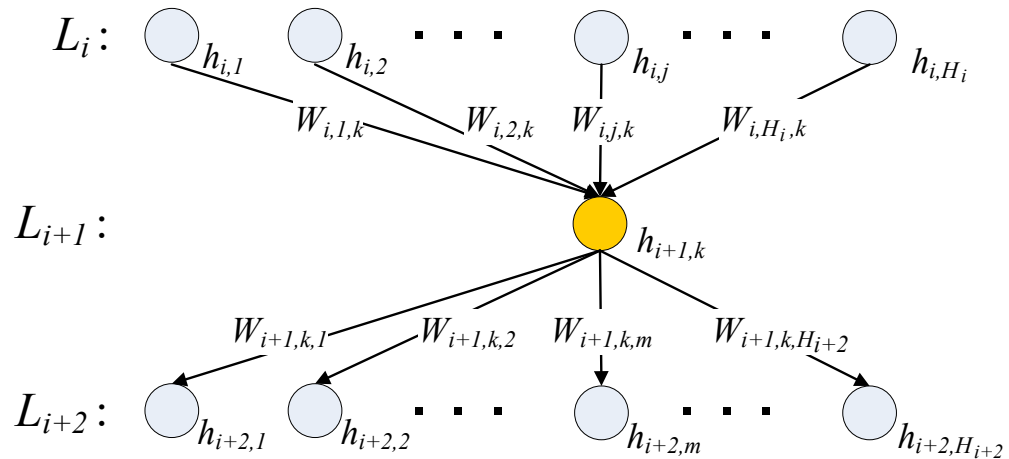

Figure 4. Intermediate three layers extracted from the multiple layer perceptron, where $h_{i,j}$ is the output value of Node $N_{i,j}$. The yellow-colored node indicates each of the H_{i+1} nodes in the output layer L_{i+1}.

iii) For figure 4, express $\dfrac{\partial E}{\partial w_{i,j,k}}$ for the yellow-colored hidden neuron in terms of

the symbols in figure 4 and $\Delta_{v,u}$.

        iv) Hence, write down the backward propagation algorithm using e(i), e(ii) and e(iii).

    f) Please illustrate the problem that occur when the neural network has a large number of layers.

    g) Please describe what overfitting is and how it can be avoided.

II. Assignment Submission

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