## STANFORD UNIVERSITY

## CS224D: DEEP LEARNING FOR NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

# Assignment 1

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# 1 SOFTMAX

$$softmax(\mathbf{x}) = softmax(\mathbf{x} + c) \tag{1.1}$$

Proof:

$$\operatorname{softmax}(\mathbf{x} + c) = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x} + c}}{\sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{\mathbf{x} + c}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}} e^{c}}{\sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{\mathbf{x}} e^{c}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{c} \times e^{\mathbf{x}}}{e^{c} \times \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{\mathbf{x}}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}}}{\sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{\mathbf{x}}} = \operatorname{softmax}(\mathbf{x})$$
be used to maintain numerical stability.

In practice, this is trick can be used to maintain numerical stability.

# 2 NEURAL NETWORK BASICS

## 2.1 Gradient of Sigmod function

The sigmod function in neural networks is defined as

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \tag{2.1}$$

where *x* is s scalar. Thus, the gradient of sigmod function is

$$\nabla \sigma(x) = \frac{\partial \sigma(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (z^{-1}) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (1 + e^{-x})$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 + e^{-x})^2} \cdot e^{-x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \cdot \frac{e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}\right)$$

$$= \sigma(x) \cdot (1 - \sigma(x))$$
(2.2)

## 2.2 Gradient of Cross Entropy

When using a neural network to perform classification and prediction, it is usually better to use cross-entropy error than classification error, and somewhat better to use cross-entropy error than mean squared error to evaluate the quality of the neural network.

$$CE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = -\sum_{i} y_i \log(\hat{y}_i)$$
(2.3)

Since **y** is a one-hot vector, then only  $y_k$  is one, other dimensions of **y** are all zero. Thus, cross entropy will be  $CE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = -\log(\hat{y_k})$ . The gradient of cross entropy becomes

$$\frac{\partial \text{CE}(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}})}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{\partial \log(\text{softmax}(\theta_k))}{\partial \theta}$$
 (2.4)

The softmax function of  $\theta_k$  is

$$\operatorname{softmax}(\theta_k) = \frac{e^{\theta_k}}{\sum_j e^{\theta_j}}$$
 (2.5)

Thus,

$$\hat{y_k} = \log(\operatorname{softmax}(\theta_k)) = \theta_k - \log(\sum_j e^{\theta_j})$$
 (2.6)

For  $\theta_i$  that i = k, the derivate is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} (\theta_k - \log(\sum_j e^{\theta_j})) = 1 - \frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_j e^{\theta_j}}$$
 (2.7)

Otherwise, for  $\theta_i$  that  $i \neq k$ , the derivate is

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} (\theta_k - \log(\sum_j e^{\theta_j})) = -\frac{e^{\theta_i}}{\sum_j e^{\theta_j}}$$
 (2.8)

Combining these two cases together

$$\frac{\partial CE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}})}{\partial \theta_i} = t_i - \hat{y}_i \tag{2.9}$$

where  $t_i = 1$  when i = k.

## 2.3 Gradient of One-hidden-layer Neural Network

The cost function *J* for this neural network is

$$J = CE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = -\sum_{i} y_{i} \log(\hat{y}_{i})$$
(2.10)

Thus, the gradients with respect to the input vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial x_i} = \sum_{k} \frac{\partial J}{\partial h_k} \cdot \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial x_i} \tag{2.11}$$

The first part of the gradient, based on the chain rule, is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial h_k} = \sum_j \frac{\partial J}{\partial \theta_j} \cdot \frac{\partial \theta_j}{\partial h_k} \tag{2.12}$$

and

$$\theta_j = \sum_k h_k W_2(k, j) + b_2(j) \tag{2.13}$$

Thus,

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial h_k} = \sum_{j} (t_j - \hat{y}_j) \cdot W_2(k, j) \tag{2.14}$$

The second part of the gradient, based on the chain rule, is

$$\frac{\partial h_k}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial \sigma(z_k)}{\partial z_k} \cdot \frac{\partial (\sum_i x_i W_1(i, k) + b_1(k))}{\partial x_i} 
= \sigma'(z_k) \cdot W_1(i, k)$$
(2.15)

where  $z_k = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{W}_1(*,k) + b_1(k)$ . The final gradient  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial x}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial x_i} = \sum_{k} \frac{\partial J}{\partial h_k} \cdot \frac{\partial h_k}{\partial x_i} 
= \sum_{k} \sum_{j} (t_j - \hat{y}_j) \cdot W_2(k, j) \cdot \sigma'(z_k) \cdot W_1(i, k)$$
(2.16)

## 2.4 PARAMETERS OF NEURAL NETWORK

In the one-hidden layer neural networks, assuming the input is  $D_x$ -dimensional, the output is  $D_{\gamma}$ -dimensional, and H hidden units, the number of parameters is

$$(D_x + 1) \times H + (D_y + 1) \times H = (D_x + D_y + 2) \times H$$
 (2.17)

# 3 WORD2VEC

## 3.1 Gradient of input word vector

The word prediction in word2vec model with softmax function is

$$\hat{y}_i = \text{Pr}(\text{word}_i | \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}, \boldsymbol{w}) = \frac{\exp(\boldsymbol{w}_i^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}})}{\sum_{j=1}^{|V|} \exp(\boldsymbol{w}_j)}$$
(3.1)

The cross entropy error between the predicted and actual output probabilities is

$$J = CE(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = -\sum_{i} y_{i} \log(\hat{y}_{i})$$
(3.2)

and because y is a one-hot vector, the object function becomes as follows, if word<sub>i</sub> is in the context:

$$J = -\log(\hat{y}_i)$$

$$= u_i - \log \sum_{j=1}^{|V|} \exp(u_j)$$
(3.3)

where  $u_j = \boldsymbol{w}_j^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} = \sum_{k=1}^{|h|} w_{k,j} r_k$ . Thus, the gradient of J with respect to  $\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial r_k} = \sum_{j} \frac{\partial J}{\partial u_j} \cdot \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial r_k} 
= \sum_{j}^{|V|} (t_j - \hat{y}_j) w_{k,j}$$
(3.4)

where  $t_i = 1$  if j = i, otherwise  $t_j = 0$ . The vector version of the gradient is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \hat{r}} = \sum_{j}^{|V|} (t_j - \hat{y}_j) \boldsymbol{w}_j \tag{3.5}$$

## 3.2 Gradient of output word vector

Thus, the gradient of J with respect to  $w_{i,j}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{i,j}} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial u_j} \cdot \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial w_{i,j}} 
= (t_i - \hat{y}_i)r_i$$
(3.6)

where  $t_j = 1$  if j = i, otherwise  $t_j = 0$ . The vector version of the gradient is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \boldsymbol{w}_i} = (t_j - \hat{y}_j)\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} \tag{3.7}$$

#### 3.3 Gradient of negative sampling

The loss function of negative sampling is

$$J(\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}, \boldsymbol{w}_i, \boldsymbol{w}_{1,\dots,K}) = -\log(\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_i^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}})) - \sum_{k=1}^{K} \log(\sigma(-\boldsymbol{w}_k^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}))$$
(3.8)

where  $\sigma(\cdot)$  is the sigmoid function. The gradient of *J* with respect to  $\hat{r}$  is

(3.9)

While the gradient of *J* with respect to the outwords  $w_i$  where  $i \neq k$  is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{i,j}} = -\frac{\partial \log(\sigma(u_j))}{\partial u_j} \cdot \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial w_{i,j}} = -\frac{\partial \log(\sigma(\sum_{j=1}^k w_{i,j} \hat{r}_j))}{\partial w_{i,j}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sigma(u_j)} \cdot \frac{\partial \sigma(u_j)}{\partial u_j} \cdot \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial w_{i,j}}$$

$$= -\frac{\sigma(u_j)(1 - \sigma(u_j))}{\sigma(u_j)} \hat{r}_j$$

$$= \left(\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_k^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - 1\right) \hat{r}_j$$
(3.10)

where  $u_j = \boldsymbol{w}_k^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} = \sum_{j=1}^k w_{i,j} \hat{r}_j$ . The vector version of this gradient is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \boldsymbol{w}_i} = \left(\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_j^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - 1\right) \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} \tag{3.11}$$

The gradient of J with respect to negative samples  $w_k$  are different from that of positive sample. The computation of their gradients are as following,

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \boldsymbol{w}_k} = \left(1 - \sigma(-\boldsymbol{w}_k^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}})\right) \hat{\boldsymbol{r}} 
= \sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_k^{\mathsf{T}} \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) \hat{\boldsymbol{r}}$$
(3.12)

The reason we can do this conversion is due to the property of  $\sigma(x)$  as follows

$$1 - \sigma(-x) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^x}$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{e^{-x} + 1} = \sigma(x)$$
(3.13)

Thus, we combine the gradient of positive and negative samples into one equation

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \boldsymbol{w}_{j}} = \begin{cases} (\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_{j}^{\mathsf{T}}\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - 1)\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} & \text{for } w_{j} = w_{i} \\ \sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_{j}^{\mathsf{T}}\hat{\boldsymbol{r}})\hat{\boldsymbol{r}} & \text{for } w_{j} = w_{1}, ..., w_{k} \end{cases}$$

$$= (\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_{j}^{\mathsf{T}}\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - t_{j})\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}$$
(3.14)

where  $t_j = 1$  if j = i, otherwise  $t_j = 0$ .

Next, let's compute the gradient of J with respect to  $\hat{r}$ .

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \hat{r}} = \sum_{j} \frac{\partial J}{\partial u_{j}} \cdot \frac{\partial u_{j}}{\partial \hat{r}}$$

$$= \frac{\partial J}{\partial u_{i}} \cdot \frac{\partial u_{i}}{\partial \hat{r}} + \sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{\partial J}{\partial u_{j}} \cdot \frac{\partial u_{j}}{\partial \hat{r}}$$

$$= \left(\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_{i}^{\mathsf{T}}\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - t_{i}\right) \boldsymbol{w}_{i} - \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left(\sigma(\boldsymbol{w}_{k}^{\mathsf{T}}\hat{\boldsymbol{r}}) - t_{k}\right) \boldsymbol{w}_{k}$$
(3.15)

#### 3.4 Gradient of skip-gram with negative sampling

In the skip-gram model, given the input  $word_i$ , it need to predict its context output words with a window size C, i.e.  $(word_{i-C}, ..., word_{i+C})$ .

$$J_s(\text{word}_{i-C,\dots,i+C}) = \sum_{-c \le j \le c, j \ne 0} F(\mathbf{v}'_{w_{i+j}} | \mathbf{v}_{w_i})$$
(3.16)

In negative sampling, the cost function of each input vs. output words pair  $F(v'_{w_{i+1}}|v_{w_i})$  is

$$F(v'_{w_{i+j}}|v_{w_i}) = -\log(\sigma(v'_{i+j}^{\top}v_i)) - \sum_{k=1}^{K}\log(\sigma(-v'_k^{\top}v_i))$$
(3.17)

Thus, the gradient of  $J_s$  with respect to output word vector  $v'_{w_{i+j}}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J_s}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}}} = \frac{\partial F(\boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}} | \boldsymbol{v}_{w_i})}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}}} 
= (\sigma(\boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}}^\top \boldsymbol{v}_{w_i}) - t_{i+j}) \boldsymbol{v}_{w_i}$$
(3.18)

where  $t_{i+j} = 1$  if  $w_{i+j}$  is a positive sample and  $t_{i+j} = 0$  otherwise. While, the gradient of  $J_s$  with respect to input word vector  $v_{w_i}$  is

$$\frac{\partial J_{s}}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}}} = \sum_{-C \leq j \leq C} \frac{\partial F(\boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}} | \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}})}{\partial \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}}}$$

$$= \sum_{-C \leq j \leq C} \left( \left( \sigma(\boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{i+j}}^{\top} \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}}) - t_{i} \right) \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}} - \sum_{k=1}^{K} \left( \sigma(\boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{k}} \boldsymbol{v}_{w_{i}}) - t_{k} \right) \boldsymbol{v}'_{w_{k}} \right) \tag{3.19}$$

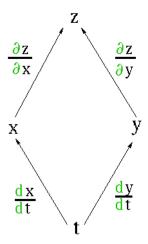


Figure 5.1: Multi-variate chain rule

## 3.5 Gradient of CBOW with negative sampling

# 4 SENTIMENT ANALYSIS

## 4.1 REASON TO USE REGULARIZATION

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## 5 APPENDIX: CHAIN RULE

In calculus, chain rule is a formula for computing the derivate of the function composition. For example, if y = f(u) and u = g(x), the derivate of y with respect to x is

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx} \tag{5.1}$$

Now let's consider a more complicated case for computing chain rule. That is the chain rule for multivariate. Now functions f and g are expressed in terms of their components as  $y = f(\mathbf{u}) = f(u_1, ..., u_n)$  and  $u_k = g_k(\mathbf{x}) = g_k(x_1, ..., x_m)$ . Then, the partial derivate of y with respect to  $x_j$  is

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x_j} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial y}{\partial u_k} \cdot \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j} \tag{5.2}$$

#### 5.1 Proof of multivariate chain rule