# Notes on neural networks

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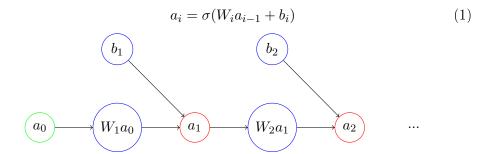
# 1 Network equation

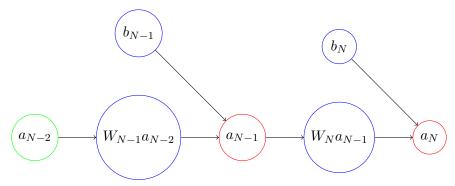
### 1.1 Simple single neuron network

I'll start with a simple network where each layer has only one neuron, one input and one output.

### Denote:

- $a_0$  is the input of the network,
- i is the  $i_{th}$  layer of the network, varing from 1 to N,
- $W_i$  with the  $i_{th}$  matrix (in this case scalar) of weights of the  $i_{th}$  layer,
- $b_i$  with the  $i_{th}$  vector (in this case scalar) of bias of the  $i_{th}$  layer,
- $a_i$  with the  $i_{th}$  vector (in this case scalar) of outputs of the  $i_{th}$  layer,
- $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$  so that





and denote the cost function

$$C(W) = \sum_{c=1}^{C} (a_{N,c} - y_c)^2$$
 (2)

The goal is to find the parameters of the network  $W_1, W_2, ...W_n$  that minimize the cost function.

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial W_1} = \sum_{c=1}^{N} 2 \tag{3}$$

# 2 Complete network

### 2.1 Activation function of one layer

$$a_n^k = \sigma(\sum_{l=1}^{N(k-1)} w_{n,l}^k a_l^{k-1} + b_n)$$
(4)

### 2.2 Cost function

Let:

- T: the number of trials,
- K: the number of layers of the network,
- N(k): the number of nodes in the k layer of the network,

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} (a_n^{N(K)} - y_n)^2$$
 (5)

#### 2.2.1 Layer K: Last layer

let's try finding the derivatives with the weights of the last layer, K and lets denote the error of the  $n_{\rm th}$  output with:

$$\epsilon_n = (a_n^K - y_n)$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial a_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} \tag{6}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial \sigma(\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n)}{\partial w_{c,p}^K}$$
(7)

$$\frac{d\sigma(x)}{dx} = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x)) \tag{8}$$

$$z_n^K = \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n \tag{9}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \frac{\partial z_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^K}$$
(10)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T 2\epsilon_c a_c^K (1 - a_c^K) a_p^{K-1} \tag{11}$$

We've found the the derivatives for the weights of the last layer are:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T 2\epsilon_c a_c^K (1 - a_c^K) a_p^{K-1} \tag{12}$$

Let's define  $2\epsilon_c a_c^K (1-a_c^K)$ , the back propagation of the error in c node of the last layer as  $e_c^K$ . Then:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^K} = \sum_{i=1}^T e_c a_p \tag{13}$$

#### 2.2.2 Layer K - 1

let's try now with the derivatives of the layer before the last, K-1:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial a_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} \tag{14}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial \sigma(\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n)}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}}$$
(15)

$$z_n^K = \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n \tag{16}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \frac{\partial z_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}}$$
(17)

$$\frac{\partial z_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \frac{\partial \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K \frac{\partial a_l^{K-1}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}}$$
(18)

$$z_l^{K-1} = \sum_{m=1}^{N(K-2)} w_{l,m}^{K-1} a_m^{K-2} + b_l$$
(19)

$$\frac{\partial z_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) \frac{\partial z_l^{K-1}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}}$$
(20)

$$\frac{\partial z_n^{K-1}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = a_p^{K-2} \tag{21}$$

$$\frac{\partial z_n^K}{\partial w_{c,n}^{K-1}} = w_{n,c}^K a_c^{K-1} (1 - a_c^{K-1}) a_p^{K-2} \tag{22}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) w_{n,c}^K a_c^{K-1} (1 - a_c^{K-1}) a_p^{K-2}$$
(23)

We've found the the derivatives for the weights of layer before the last layer are:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) w_{n,c}^K a_c^{K-1} (1 - a_c^{K-1}) a_p^{K-2}$$
(24)

You can recognize in the equation the term  $2e_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K)$  to be what we first had defined as the propagation of the error in the K layer,  $e_n^K$ .

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} e_n^K w_{n,c} a_c^{K-1} (1 - a_c^{K-1}) a_p^{K-2}$$
(25)

and define

$$e_c^{K-1} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} e_n^K w_{n,c} a_c^{K-1} (1 - a_c^{K-1})$$
 (26)

so that:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} e_c^{K-1} a_p^{K-2} \tag{27}$$

### 2.2.3 Layer K-2

let's try now with the derivatives of two layers before the last, K-2:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial a_n^K}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} \tag{28}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n \frac{\partial \sigma(\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n)}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}}$$
(29)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \frac{\partial (\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} + b_n)}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}}$$
(30)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) (\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K \frac{\partial a_l^{K-1}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}})$$
(31)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) (\sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) \frac{\partial \sum_{m=1}^{N(K-2)} w_{l,m}^{K-1} a_m^{K-2} + b_m^{K-1}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}})$$

$$(32)$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \left( \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) \sum_{m=1}^{N(K-2)} w_{l,m}^{K-1} \frac{\partial a_m^{K-2}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} \right)$$
(33)

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) \sum_{m=1}^{N(K-2)} w_{l,m}^{K-1} a_m^{K-2} (1 - a_m^{K-2}) \frac{\partial \sum_{o=1}^{N(K-3)} w_{m,o}^{K-2} a_o^{K-3} + b_m^{K-2}}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}}$$

$$(34)$$

$$T N(K) N(K-1)$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) w_{l,c}^{K-1} a_c^{K-2} (1 - a_c^{K-2}) a_p^{K-3}$$
(35)

So the derivative of the layer K-2 is:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) w_{l,c}^{K-1} a_c^{K-2} (1 - a_c^{K-2}) a_p^{K-3} \tag{36}$$

switching the summatories with n and l:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} \sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1}) w_{l,c}^{K-1} a_c^{K-2} (1 - a_c^{K-2}) a_p^{K-3}$$

$$(37)$$

you can see that the term

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N(K)} 2\epsilon_n a_n^K (1 - a_n^K) w_{n,l}^K a_l^{K-1} (1 - a_l^{K-1})$$
(38)

is the propagation of the error to the l element of the K-1 layer,  $e_l^{K-1}$ . Then you can write:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{T} \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} e_l^{K-1} w_{l,c}^{K-1} a_c^{K-2} (1 - a_c^{K-2}) a_p^{K-3}$$
(39)

and denote

$$e_c^{K-2} = \sum_{l=1}^{N(K-1)} e_l^{K-1} w_{l,c}^{K-1} a_c^{K-2} (1 - a_c^{K-2})$$
(40)

as the propagation of the error to the c node of the K-2 layer so that:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{c,p}^{K-2}} = e_c^{K-2} a_p^{K-3} \tag{41}$$