

MACHINE LEARNING HOMEWORK SHEET-08

DEEP LEARNING

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Problem 1:

Non linear activation functions in Neural Network:

The basis function for a neural network with k hidden layers is,

$$f(x, W) = \sigma_k (W_k^T \sigma_{k-1} (W_{k-1}^T \dots \sigma_0 (W_0^T x)))$$

where W_0, W_1, \dots, W_k are the weights in each layer
 $\sigma_k, \sigma_{k-1}, \dots, \sigma_0$ are the activation functions at each layer.

Say all the activation functions are linear then,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, W) &= (W_k^T W_{k-1}^T \dots W_0^T) x \\ &= (W')^T x \end{aligned}$$

So, the basis function is just linear. Doing linear transformation at each layer is equivalent to having a single layer with linear transformation, putting k layers to no use. Also, while trying to learn using backpropagation gradient will not depend on the input in any layer and it will be a constant. This will lead to poor learning of the network.

Problem 2:

NN with a hidden layer having Sigmoid activation function.

To prove: An equivalent network exists which computes the same function but with $\tanh(x)$ as activation fn.

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\tanh(x) = 2 \sigma(2x) - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \tanh(x/2) = 2 \sigma(x) - 1$$

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{2} (\tanh(x/2) + 1)$$

\therefore with the above relation, we see that if we apply $[\tanh(x/2) + 1]/2$ then it will be equivalent to the neural network using Sigmoid activation function.

Problem 3:

Derivative of $\tanh(x)$

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

Applied quotient rule.

$$(\tanh(x))' = \frac{(e^x + e^{-x})(e^x + e^{-x}) - (e^x - e^{-x})(e^x - e^{-x})}{(e^x + e^{-x})^2}$$

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

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

$$= 1 - (\tanh(x))^2$$

$$\therefore (\tanh(x))' = 1 - (\tanh(x))^2$$

Computing gradient in the backpropagation of neural network will be easier when $\tanh(x)$ is used as the activation function as the function $\tanh(x)$ would already be computed in the forward pass.

Problem 4:

$$y = \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i} \quad y = a + \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i - a}$$

To prove: The above identity holds true.

$$y = a + \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i - a}$$

$$= a + \log \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a}$$

$$= a + \log \frac{1}{e^a} \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i} \quad (e^a \text{ independent of } i)$$

$$= a + \log e^{-a} + \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i} \quad (\log(ab) = \log a + \log b)$$

$$= a - a + \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}$$

$$= \log \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}$$

Thus, the identity is proved.

Problem 5 :

$$\frac{e^{x_i}}{\sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}} = \frac{e^{x_i - a}}{\sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i - a}}$$

To prove: The above identity is true.

$$\frac{e^{x_i - a}}{\sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i - a}} = \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a}$$

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a}}{\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a}$$

$$\frac{1 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}}{e^a}$$

$$= \frac{e^{x_i}}{e^a} \cdot \frac{e^a}{\sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{x_i}}{\sum_{i=1}^N e^{x_i}}$$

Thus the identity is proved.

Problem 6:

$$-(y \log \sigma(x) + (1-y) \log (1 - \sigma(x))) \equiv \max(x, 0) - xy + \log(1 + e^{-\text{abs}(x)})$$

$$= - \left[(y \log(1 + e^{-x})) + \log\left(\frac{e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}}\right) - y \log \frac{e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}} \right]$$

$$= - \left[-y \log(1 + e^{-x}) + \log(e^{-x}) - \log(1 + e^{-x}) - \underbrace{y \log e^{-x} + y \log(1 + e^{-x})}_{+yx} \right]$$

$$= -\log(e^{-x}) + \log(1 + e^{-x}) - xy$$

$$\log(1 + e^{-x}) :$$

to avoid overflow which will happen when
 $1 + e^{-x} \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow e^{-x} \rightarrow \infty$
 $\Rightarrow x$ is negative large no.

we can avoid that by considering absolute value of x . $\therefore \log(1 + e^{-\text{abs}(x)})$

$$\log(e^{-x}) :$$

for negative values of x e^{-x} grows exponentially and \log of that will be huge.

So, keeping the range of e^x between $(0, 1]$ will keep the value small and won't overflow.

$$\therefore \log e^{-(\max(0, x))}$$

Putting the above two in the original eq,

$$-\log e^{-(\max(0, x))} + \log(1 + e^{-\text{abs}(x)}) - xy$$

$$= \max(0, x) + \log(1 + e^{-\text{abs}(x)}) - xy$$

Thus the equivalence is proved.