

# Multi-class Classification and Neural Network

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## 1. Multi-class Classification

### 1.1 Dataset

There are 5000 training examples in `MNIST.mat`, where each training example is a 20 pixel by 20 pixel grayscale image of the digit. Each pixel is represented by a floating point number indicating the grayscale intensity at that location. The 20 by 20 grid of pixels is unrolled into a 400-dimensional vector.

This gives us a 5000 by 400 matrix  $X$  where every row is a training example for a handwritten digit image.

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} -(x^{(1)})^T & - \\ -(x^{(2)})^T & - \\ \vdots & \\ -(x^{(m)})^T & - \end{bmatrix}$$

The second part of the training set is a 5000-dimensional vector  $y$  that contains labels for the training set. To make things more compatible with MATLAB, a '0' digit is labeled as '10', while the digits '1' to '9' are labeled as '1' to '9' in their natural order.

```
clear

load('MNIST.mat'); % Load MNIST file
data = [X y];
data = data(randperm(size(data, 1)), :); % Shuffle the data set

% Split the data set : 80% training set, 20% test set
```

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TrainX = data(1:4000,1:400);
Trainy = data(1:4000,401);
TestX = data(4001:end,1:400);
Testy = data(4001:end,401);

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fprintf('\nNumber of training examples is : %d & number of features is %d\n', size(TrainX, 1), size(TrainX, 2));

```

Number of training examples is : 4000 & number of features is 400

## 1.2 Visualizing the data

```

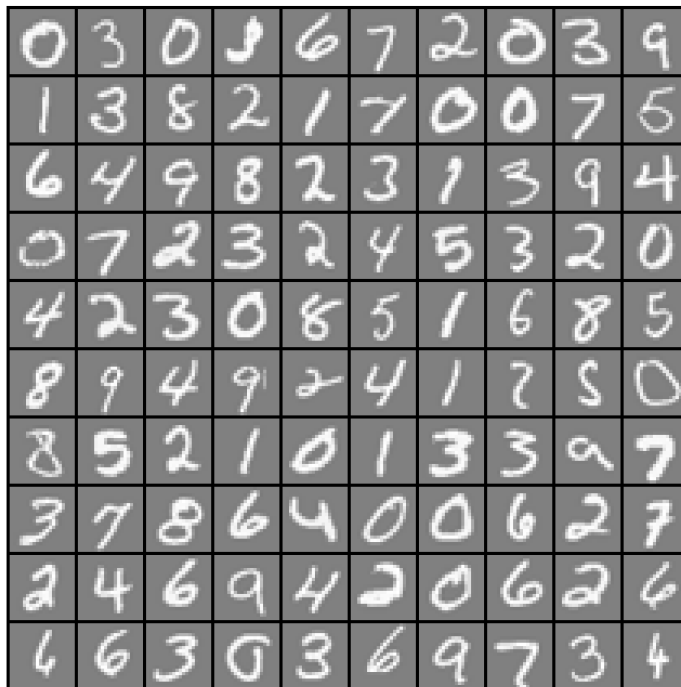
Trainm = size(TrainX, 1);

```

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% Randomly select 100 data points to display
rand_indices = randperm(Trainm); % Random permutation
select = TrainX(rand_indices(1:100), :);
displayData(select);

```



## 1.3 One-vs-all classification

We use one-vs-all logistic regression models to build a multi-class classifier. Since there are 10 classes, we need to train 10 separate logistic regression classifiers.

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num_labels = 10; % 10 labels, from 1 to 10
lambda = 0.1;
[all_theta] = oneVsAll(TrainX, Trainy, num_labels, lambda);

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Iteration	37	Cost: 7.851138e-02
Iteration	38	Cost: 7.835326e-02
Iteration	39	Cost: 7.783476e-02
Iteration	40	Cost: 7.722381e-02
Iteration	41	Cost: 7.719839e-02
Iteration	42	Cost: 7.703820e-02
Iteration	43	Cost: 7.694133e-02
Iteration	44	Cost: 7.690969e-02
Iteration	45	Cost: 7.679256e-02
Iteration	46	Cost: 7.651871e-02
Iteration	47	Cost: 7.646843e-02
Iteration	48	Cost: 7.613331e-02

Iteration	49		Cost: 7.604504e-02
Iteration	50		Cost: 7.491297e-02
Iteration	1		Cost: 3.481387e-01
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Iteration	3		Cost: 1.122660e-01
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Iteration	5		Cost: 5.194748e-02
Iteration	6		Cost: 4.908835e-02
Iteration	7		Cost: 3.656853e-02
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Iteration	15		Cost: 2.160925e-02
Iteration	16		Cost: 2.030736e-02
Iteration	17		Cost: 2.026256e-02
Iteration	18		Cost: 1.924678e-02
Iteration	19		Cost: 1.864706e-02
Iteration	20		Cost: 1.674644e-02
Iteration	21		Cost: 1.651062e-02
Iteration	22		Cost: 1.461474e-02
Iteration	23		Cost: 1.432945e-02
Iteration	24		Cost: 1.348233e-02
Iteration	25		Cost: 1.338917e-02
Iteration	26		Cost: 1.305911e-02
Iteration	27		Cost: 1.302293e-02
Iteration	28		Cost: 1.286920e-02
Iteration	29		Cost: 1.283406e-02
Iteration	30		Cost: 1.271397e-02
Iteration	31		Cost: 1.267696e-02
Iteration	32		Cost: 1.232009e-02
Iteration	33		Cost: 1.218272e-02
Iteration	34		Cost: 1.163568e-02
Iteration	35		Cost: 1.159242e-02
Iteration	36		Cost: 1.146207e-02
Iteration	37		Cost: 1.130846e-02
Iteration	38		Cost: 1.115364e-02
Iteration	39		Cost: 1.111483e-02
Iteration	40		Cost: 1.105980e-02
Iteration	41		Cost: 1.104248e-02
Iteration	42		Cost: 1.098226e-02
Iteration	43		Cost: 1.097055e-02
Iteration	44		Cost: 1.092078e-02
Iteration	45		Cost: 1.091438e-02
Iteration	46		Cost: 1.083225e-02
Iteration	47		Cost: 1.079000e-02
Iteration	48		Cost: 1.077640e-02
Iteration	49		Cost: 1.060389e-02
Iteration	50		Cost: 1.050699e-02

## 1.4 One-vs-all prediction

After training our one-vs-all classifier, we can now use it to predict the digit contained in a given image.

### 1.4.1 Computing training set accuracy

```
predict = predictOneVsAll(all_theta, TrainX);
fprintf('\nTraining Set Accuracy: %f\n', mean(double(predict == TrainY)) * 100);
```

Training Set Accuracy: 95.275000

### 1.4.2 Computing test set accuracy

```
predict = predictOneVsAll(all_theta, TestX);  
fprintf('\nTest Set Accuracy: %f\n', mean(double(predict == Testy)) * 100);
```

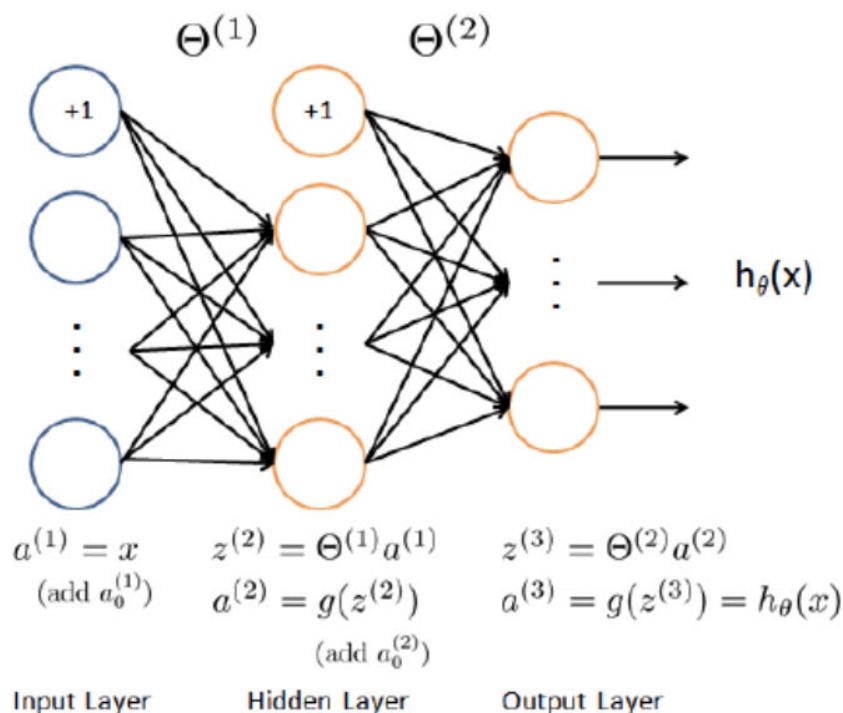
Test Set Accuracy: 91.500000

## 2. Neural Network

We will implement a neural network to recognize handwritten digits using the same training set as before. The neural network will be able to represent complex models that form non-linear hypotheses.

### 2.1 Model representation

Our neural network as it's shown below, It has 3 layers- an input layer, a hidden layer and an output layer. The inputs are pixel values of digit images. Since the images are of size 20 x 20, this gives us 400 input layer units.



```
clear  
  
load('MNIST.mat'); % Load MNIST file  
data = [X y];  
data = data(randperm(size(data, 1)), :); % Shuffle the data set  
% Split the data set : 80% training set, 20% test set  
TrainX = data(1:4000, 1:400);  
Trainy = data(1:4000, 401);  
TestX = data(4001:end, 1:400);  
Testy = data(4001:end, 401);
```

```

Trainm = size(TrainX,1); % Number of examples in training set
Testm = size(TestX,1); % Number of examples in test set
input_layer_size = 400; % 20x20 Input Images of Digits
hidden_layer_size = 25; % 25 hidden units
num_labels = 10; % 10 labels, from 1 to 10 (0 is mapped to 10)

% Randomly select 100 data points to display
rand_indices = randperm(size(TrainX, 1)); % Random permutation
select = rand_indices(1:100);
displayData(TrainX(select, :));

```



## 2.2 Regularized cost function

The cost function for neural networks with regularization is :

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^K \left[ -y_k^{(i)} \log((h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}))_k) - (1 - y_k^{(i)}) \log(1 - (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}))_k) \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{25} \sum_{k=1}^{400} (\Theta_{j,k}^{(1)})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{10} \sum_{k=1}^{25} (\Theta_{j,k}^{(2)})^2 \right]$$

## 2.3 Backpropagation

### 2.3.1 Sigmoid derivate

The derivate for the sigmoid function can be computed as

$$g'(z) = \frac{d}{dz} g(z) = g(z)(1 - g(z))$$

where

$$\text{sigmoid}(z) = g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

### 2.3.2 Random initialization

When training neural networks, it is important to randomly initialize the parameters for symmetry breaking. One effective strategy for random initialization is to randomly select values for  $\Theta^{(l)}$  uniformly in the range  $[-\epsilon_{init}, \epsilon_{init}]$ .

We use  $\epsilon_{init} = 0.12$ .

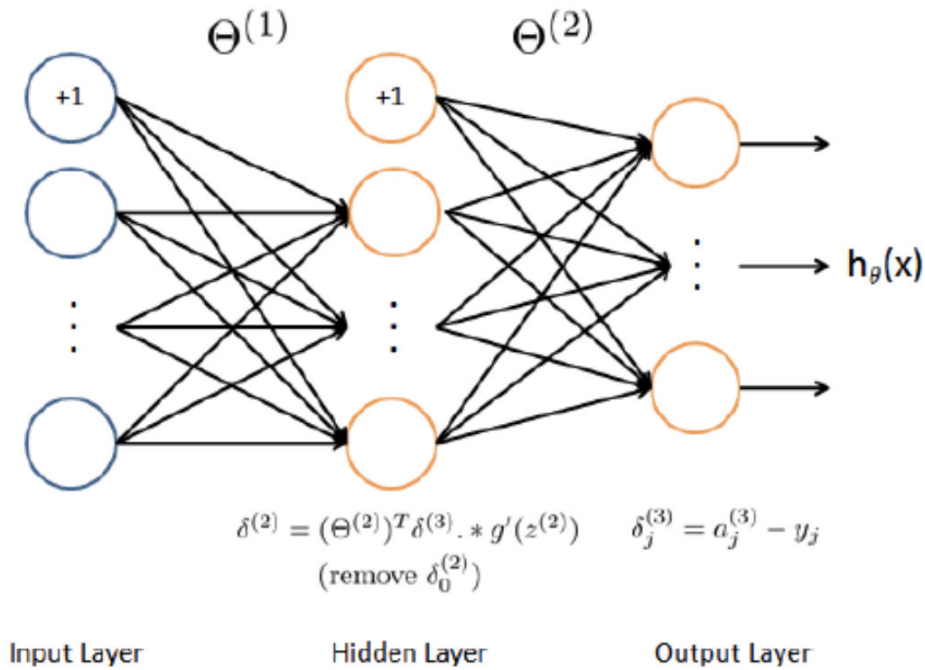
```
initial_Theta1 = randInitializeWeights(input_layer_size, hidden_layer_size);
initial_Theta2 = randInitializeWeights(hidden_layer_size, num_labels);

% Unroll parameters
initial_nn_params = [initial_Theta1(:) ; initial_Theta2(:)];
```

### 2.3.3 Backpropagation

The intuition behind the backpropagation algorithm is as follows. Given a training example  $(x^{(t)}, y^{(t)})$ , we will first run a 'forward pass' to compute all the activations throughout the network, including the output value of the hypothesis  $h_{\Theta}(x)$ . Then, for each node  $j$  in layer  $l$ , we would like to compute an 'error term'  $\delta_j^{(l)}$  that measures how much that node was 'responsible' for any errors in our output.

For an output node, we can directly measure the difference between the network's activation and the true target value, and use that to define  $\delta_j^{(3)}$  (since layer 3 is the output layer). For the hidden units, we compute  $\delta_j^{(l)}$  based on a weighted average of the error terms of the nodes in layer  $(l + 1)$ .



In detail, here is the backpropagation algorithm.

1. Set the input layer's values ( $a^{(1)}$ ) to the  $t$ -th training example  $x^{(t)}$ . Perform a feedforward pass, computing the activations ( $z^{(2)}, a^{(2)}, z^{(3)}, a^{(3)}$ ) for layers 2 and 3.
2. For each output unit  $k$  in layer 3 (the output layer), set  $\delta_k^{(3)} = (a_k^{(3)} - y_k)$  where  $y_k \in \{0, 1\}$  indicates whether the current training example belongs to class  $k$  ( $y_k = 1$ ), or if it belongs to a different class ( $y_k = 0$ ).
3. For the hidden layer  $l = 2$ , set  $\delta^{(2)} = (\Theta^{(2)})^T \delta^{(3)} \cdot g'(z^{(2)})$
4. Accumulate the gradient from this example using the following formula:  $\Delta^{(l)} = \Delta^{(l)} + \delta^{(l+1)}(a^{(l)})^T$ .
5. Obtain the (unregularized) gradient for the neural network cost function by dividing the accumulated gradients by  $\frac{1}{m}$ :  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) = D_{ij}^{(l)} = \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)}$
6. Add regularization to the gradient :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) = D_{ij}^{(l)} = \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} \text{ for } j = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta_{ij}^{(l)}} J(\Theta) = D_{ij}^{(l)} = \frac{1}{m} \Delta_{ij}^{(l)} + \frac{\lambda}{m} \Theta_{ij}^{(l)} \text{ for } j \geq 1$$

### 2.3.4 Learning parameters using fmincg

We use a MATLAB built-in function called `fmincg` instead of taking gradient descent steps to find the optimal parameters.

```
options = optimset('MaxIter', 50);
lambda = 1;
```

```
% Create short-hand for the cost function
```

```
costFunction = @(p) neuralNetworkCostFunction(p, input_layer_size, hidden_layer_size, n  
[nn_params, ~] = fmincg(costFunction, initial_nn_params, options);
```

```
Iteration    1 | Cost: 3.302155e+00
Iteration    2 | Cost: 3.258978e+00
Iteration    3 | Cost: 3.215418e+00
Iteration    4 | Cost: 3.110598e+00
Iteration    5 | Cost: 2.960005e+00
Iteration    6 | Cost: 2.580039e+00
Iteration    7 | Cost: 2.389873e+00
Iteration    8 | Cost: 2.156498e+00
Iteration    9 | Cost: 1.976863e+00
Iteration   10 | Cost: 1.755101e+00
Iteration   11 | Cost: 1.571259e+00
Iteration   12 | Cost: 1.397567e+00
Iteration   13 | Cost: 1.280110e+00
Iteration   14 | Cost: 1.225921e+00
Iteration   15 | Cost: 1.130711e+00
Iteration   16 | Cost: 1.087208e+00
Iteration   17 | Cost: 1.054423e+00
Iteration   18 | Cost: 1.002721e+00
Iteration   19 | Cost: 9.406952e-01
Iteration   20 | Cost: 9.157846e-01
Iteration   21 | Cost: 8.947648e-01
Iteration   22 | Cost: 8.671386e-01
Iteration   23 | Cost: 8.072407e-01
Iteration   24 | Cost: 7.680633e-01
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Iteration   26 | Cost: 6.986662e-01
Iteration   27 | Cost: 6.912245e-01
Iteration   28 | Cost: 6.703156e-01
Iteration   29 | Cost: 6.609040e-01
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Iteration   31 | Cost: 6.408100e-01
Iteration   32 | Cost: 6.279499e-01
Iteration   33 | Cost: 6.219965e-01
Iteration   34 | Cost: 6.172341e-01
Iteration   35 | Cost: 6.092191e-01
Iteration   36 | Cost: 6.015814e-01
Iteration   37 | Cost: 5.938516e-01
Iteration   38 | Cost: 5.880576e-01
Iteration   39 | Cost: 5.821867e-01
Iteration   40 | Cost: 5.748268e-01
Iteration   41 | Cost: 5.616795e-01
Iteration   42 | Cost: 5.532814e-01
Iteration   43 | Cost: 5.450111e-01
Iteration   44 | Cost: 5.369558e-01
Iteration   45 | Cost: 5.274277e-01
Iteration   46 | Cost: 5.220770e-01
Iteration   47 | Cost: 5.154129e-01
Iteration   48 | Cost: 5.120034e-01
Iteration   49 | Cost: 5.083241e-01
Iteration   50 | Cost: 5.045486e-01
```

```
% Obtain Theta1 and Theta2 back from nn_params
```

```
Theta1 = reshape(nn_params(1:hidden_layer_size * (input_layer_size + 1)), hidden_layer_size, input_layer_size + 1);
```

```
Theta2 = reshape(nn_params((1 + (hidden_layer_size * (input_layer_size + 1))):end), hidden_layer_size, hidden_layer_size + 1);
```

## 2.4 Computing accuracy

```
% Training set accuracy
```

```
pred = predictNeuralNetwork(Theta1, Theta2, TrainX);  
fprintf('\nTraining Set Accuracy: %f\n', mean(double(pred == Trainy)) * 100);
```

Training Set Accuracy: 95.450000

```
% Test set accuracy  
pred = predictNeuralNetwork(Theta1, Theta2, TestX);  
fprintf('\nTest Set Accuracy: %f\n', mean(double(pred == Testy)) * 100);
```

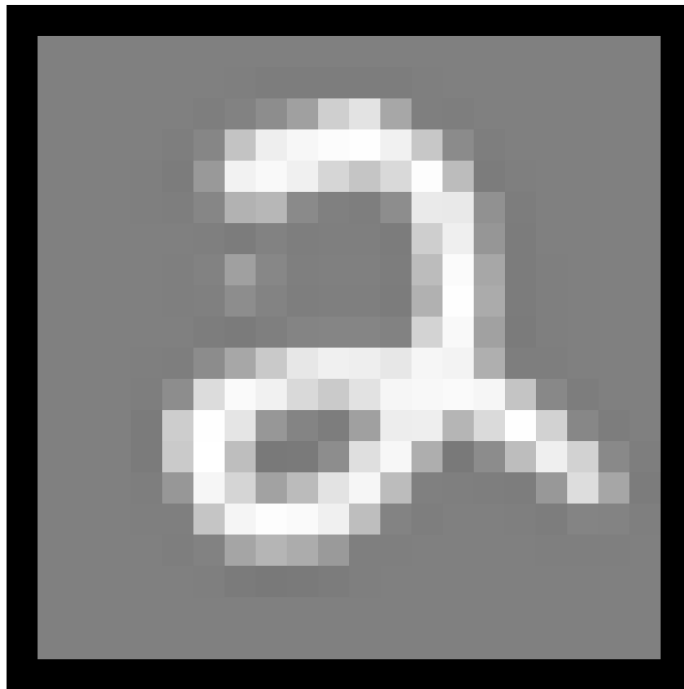
Test Set Accuracy: 92.600000

## 2.5 Prediction test

```
random_example = randi(Testm); % Draw a random example in test set  
% Predict  
pred = predictNeuralNetwork(Theta1, Theta2, TestX(random_example,:));  
fprintf('\nNeural Network Prediction: %d \nDigit Label: %d\n', mod(pred, 10), mod(Testy(random_example,:), 10));
```

Neural Network Prediction: 2  
Digit Label: 2

```
% Display  
displayData(TestX(random_example, :));
```



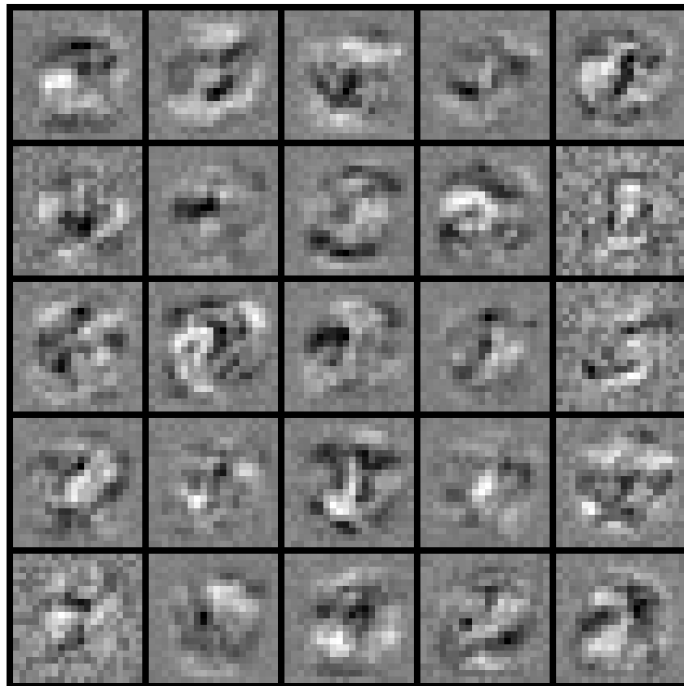
## 2.6 Visualizing the hidden layer

It shows an image with 25 units, each corresponding to one hidden unit in the network.

```
% Visualize Weights
```



```
displayData(Theta1(:, 2:end));
```



We find that the hidden units corresponds roughly to detectors that look for strokes and other patterns in the input.