

# MLP implementation

This file recapitulate the notations and the dimensions of the matrix used in matlab, and explain the derivation of the forward and backward pass. To obtain the matlab name :  $a_L^{(2)} \Rightarrow a2L$ .

## Forward pass

Description	Notation	Dimension
Dimension of the input	M (=576 by default)	Scalar
First layer dimension (L & R)	H1	Scalar
2 <sup>nd</sup> layer dimension (L & LR &R)	H2	Scalar
Left input vector	XL	Mx1
Right input vector	XR	Mx1
Weights for layer 1	W1L, W1R	H1xM
Bias layer 1	B1L, B1R	H1x1
First layer activation	A1L, A1R	H1x1
Non linear layer 1	Z1L, Z1R	H1x1
Non linear function 1	g1	function

$$\begin{aligned}A1L &= W1L * XL + B1L & A1R &= W1R * XR + B1R \\Z1L &= g1(A1L) & Z1R &= g1(A1R) \\g1(a) &= \tanh(a)\end{aligned}$$

Note that for vectorization, I used the notation of the book.

Description	Notation	Dimension
Weights for layer 2 (1)	W2L, W2R	H2xH1
Weights for layer 2 (2)	W2LR	H2x(2·H1)
Bias layer 2	B2L, B2LR B2R	H2x1
2 <sup>nd</sup> layer activation	A2L, A2LR, A2R	H2x1
Non linear layer 2	Z2	H2x1
Non linear function 2	g2	function

$$\begin{aligned}A2L &= W2L * Z1L + B2L & A2R &= W2R * Z1R + B2R \\A2LR &= W2LR * [Z1L; Z2L] + B2LR \\Z2 &= g2(A2L, A2R, A2LR) \\g2(a_{LR}, a_R, a_R) &= \frac{a_{LR}}{(1 + e^{-a_L})(1 + e^{-a_R})} = a_{LR} \sigma(a_L) \sigma(a_R)\end{aligned}$$

Description	Notation	Dimension
Weights for layer 3	W3	1xH2
Bias layer 3	B3	Scalar
Output	A3	Scalar

$$A3 = W3 * Z2 + B3$$

## Backward pass

### 1) Definition of variables

Now let's calculate the backward pass. For this let's define the matlab variable we are looking for :

Description	Notation	Dimension
Error variable for layer 3	r3	Scalar
Error variable for layer 2	r2L, r2LR, r2R	H2x1
Error variable for layer 1	r1L, r1R	H1x1
Gradient along bias layer 3	grad_B3	Scalar
Gradient along weights layer 3	grad_W3	1xH2
Gradient along bias layer 2	grad_B2L, grad_B2LR, grad_B2R	H2x1
Gradient along weights layer 2 (1)	grad_W2L, grad_W2R	H2xH1
Gradient along weights layer 2 (2)	grad_W2LR	H2x(2H1)
Gradient along bias layer 1	grad_B1L, grad_B1LR	H1x1
Gradient along weights layer 1	grad_W1L, grad_W1R	H1xM

### 2) Derivation

#### a. Third layer

This is the tough part. Let's start with the third layer :

$$E_i = \log(1 + e^{-t_i a^{(3)}})$$

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a^{(3)}} = -t_i e^{-t_i a^{(3)}} \sigma(t_i a^{(3)}) = r^{(3)}$$

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

So now we have r3, that is a start. From there, using the formula in the course, we obtain easily :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial W^{(3)}} = r^{(3)} \cdot (Z^{(2)})^T \text{ and } \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial b^{(3)}} = r^{(3)}$$

So in matlab :

$$\text{grad\_W3} = r3 * Z2' \quad \text{and} \quad \text{grad\_B3} = r3$$

#### b. Second layer

At first, we are interested in

$$g2(a_{LR}, a_R, a_R) = \frac{a_{LR}}{(1 + e^{-a_L})(1 + e^{-a_R})} = a_{LR} \sigma(a_L) \sigma(a_R)$$

Let us remember the derivative of the sigmoid :

$$\frac{\partial \sigma(x)}{\partial x} = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$$

Then

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial g2}{\partial a_{LR}} = \sigma(a_L) \sigma(a_R) \\ \frac{\partial g2}{\partial a_L} = g2(a_{LR}, a_R, a_R) \cdot (1 - \sigma(a_L)) \\ \frac{\partial g2}{\partial a_R} = g2(a_{LR}, a_R, a_R) \cdot (1 - \sigma(a_R)) \end{cases}$$

Now, let us remember that :

$$a^{(3)} = \sum_j W^{(3)}(j) g_2(a_{L,j}^{(2)}, a_{R,j}^{(2)}, a_{LR,j}^{(2)})$$

So :

$$r_{L,j}^{(2)} = \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(2)}} = \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a^{(3)}} \frac{\partial a^{(3)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(2)}} = r^{(3)} \frac{\partial a^{(3)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(2)}} = r^{(3)} W^{(3)}(j) z_j^{(2)} (1 - \sigma(a_{L,j}))$$

The same result is obtained for  $a_R^{(2)}$  and  $a_{LR}^{(2)}$ . We can conclude with the following matlab code:

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r2LR=r3.*W3'.*sigma(A2L).*sigma(A2R)
r2R= r3.*W3'.*Z2.*(1-sigma(A2R))
r2L= r3.*W3'.*Z2.*(1-sigma(A2L))
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Do not forget that r2LR, r2R, r2L are vectors....

Let's now consider the gradient along the weights and bias of the second layer. At first notice that  $W_L^{(2)}(j, k)$  influences  $a^{(3)}$  only via  $a_{L,j}^{(2)}$ :

$$a_{L,j}^{(2)} = \sum_{k=1}^{H_1} W_L^{(2)}(j, k) z_{L,k}^{(1)} + b_{L,j}^{(2)}$$

It comes :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial W_L^{(2)}(j, k)} = \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(2)}} \frac{\partial a_{L,j}^{(2)}}{\partial W_L^{(2)}(j, k)} = r_{L,j}^{(2)} z_{L,k}^{(1)}$$

It follows :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial W_L^{(2)}} = r_L^{(2)} \left( z_L^{(1)} \right)^T$$

(which is, once again, a matrix).

Same thing can be obtained for R and LR :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial W_R^{(2)}} &= r_R^{(2)} \left( z_R^{(1)} \right)^T \\ \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial W_{LR}^{(2)}} &= r_{LR}^{(2)} \left( z_{LR}^{(1)} \right)^T \end{aligned}$$

Where  $z_{LR}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} z_L^{(1)} \\ z_R^{(1)} \end{bmatrix}$

This means the following matlab equations :

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grad_W2L=r2L*(Z1L)'
grad_W2R=r2R*(Z2R)'
grad_W2LR=r2LR*([Z1L';Z1R'])
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The result for the bias is obtained in the same way as for the third layer :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial b_L^{(2)}} = r_L^{(2)}$$

Same thing for R and LR. In matlab :

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grad_B2L=r2L
grad_B2R=r2R
grad_B2LR=r2LR
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c. First layer

The computation of the errors for the first layer is harder.

$a_{L,j}^{(1)}$  influence  $a^{(3)}$  through  $a_{L,1}^{(2)} \dots a_{L,H_2}^{(2)}$  and also through  $a_{LR,1}^{(2)} \dots a_{LR,H_2}^{(2)}$ .

Which means that for a given  $j$  :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} = \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,1}^{(2)}} \frac{\partial a_{L,1}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + \dots + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,H_2}^{(2)}} \frac{\partial a_{L,H_2}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{LR,1}^{(2)}} \frac{\partial a_{LR,1}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + \dots + \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{LR,H_2}^{(2)}} \frac{\partial a_{LR,H_2}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}}$$

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} = r(1)_L^{(2)} \frac{\partial a_{L,1}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + \dots + r(H_2)_L^{(2)} \frac{\partial a_{L,H_2}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + r(1)_{LR}^{(2)} \frac{\partial a_{LR,1}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} + \dots + r(H_2)_{LR}^{(2)} \frac{\partial a_{LR,H_2}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}}$$

Remember that for a given  $m$ :

$$a_{L,m}^{(2)} = \sum_{n=1}^{H_1} W_L^{(2)}(m,n) g(a_{L,n}^{(1)}) + b_{L,m}^{(2)}$$

Then

$$\frac{\partial a_{L,m}^{(2)}}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} = W_L^{(2)}(m,j) g'(a_{L,j}^{(1)})$$

This leads to :

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} = \sum_{m=1}^{H_2} W_L^{(2)}(m,j) g'_1(a_{L,j}^{(1)}) r_L^{(2)}(m) + \sum_{m=1}^{H_2} W_{LR}^{(2)}(m,j) g'_1(a_{L,j}^{(1)}) r_{LR}^{(2)}(m)$$

$$\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_{L,j}^{(1)}} = g'_1(a_{L,j}^{(1)}) (r_L^{(2)})^T \cdot W_L^{(2)}(:,j) + g'_1(a_{L,j}^{(1)}) (r_{LR}^{(2)})^T \cdot W_{LR}^{(2)}(:,j)$$

And we can conclude :

$$r_L^{(1)} = g'_1(a_L^{(1)}) \cdot \left[ (r_L^{(2)})^T \cdot W_L^{(2)} \right]^T + g'_1(a_L^{(1)}) \cdot \left[ (r_{LR}^{(2)})^T \cdot W_{LR}^{(2)}(:,1:H_2) \right]^T$$

Where  $\cdot$  refers to the multiplication coordinate by coordinate. Notice that we take only half of the matrix  $W_{LR}$ .

This leads to the following matlab code :

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gp1L=1-z1L.^2
gp1R=1-z1R.^2
r1L=gp1L.*((r2L'*w2L)+(r2LR'*w2LR(:,1:H2)))'
r1R=gp1R.*((r2R'*w2R)+(r2LR'*w2LR(:,H2+1:end)))'
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Ouch, we have r1L and r1R. What remains is simple, since we can apply the equations of the second layer :

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grad_W1L=r1L*(XL)'
grad_W1R=r1R*(XR)'
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and

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grad_B1L=r1L
grad_B1R=r1R
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