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QUESTIONS

1) What is the purpose of gradient descent optimization in machine learning?

ans: Used to find the best set of parameters for a model to minimize the loss function and perform well on a given task. It is an iterative algorithm that repeatedly adjusts the parameters in the direction that reduces the loss function.

2) What is the learning rate in gradient descent, and why is it important?

ans: It's important because it's the parameter that tells us how far should we go along the direction that the loss function has the steepest rate of increase. It's also called `step size`

3) What is the role of batch size in gradient descent optimization?

ans: It decides the number of training examples that are used to calculate the gradient of the loss function in each iteration. Determining batch size is important for these specific issues:

- Convergence speed
- Accuracy
- Stability

4) Consider a quadratic function $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$. Use gradient descent to find the minimum value of the function?

Use the following conditions:

- Initial guess: $x = 0$
- Learning rate: 0.25
- Number of iterations: 5

ans:

$$f'(x) = 1 - 8x$$

$$x_{new} = x_{old} - rate * f'(x_{old})$$

Initial guess (x_0) = 0 Learning rate = 0.25 Number of iterations = 5

Iter1:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_0 - rate * f'(x_0) = 0 - 0.25 \\ &\quad * (1 - 8 * 0) = 0 - 0.25 * 1 = \\ &\quad -0.25 \end{aligned}$$

Iter2:

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= x_1 - rate * f'(x_1) = -0.25 \\ &\quad - 0.25 * (1 - 8 * (-0.25)) = -0.25 \\ &\quad - 0.25 * 3 = -0.25 - 0.75 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

ltr3:

$$\begin{aligned}x_3 &= x_2 - \text{rate} * f'(x_2) = -1 \\ &- 0.25 * (1 - 8 * (-1)) = -1 \\ &- 0.25 * 9 = -1 - 2.25 = -3.25\end{aligned}$$

ltr4:

$$\begin{aligned}x_4 &= x_3 - \text{rate} * f'(x_3) = -3.25 \\ &- 0.25 * (1 - 8 * (-3.25)) = -3.25 \\ &- 0.25 * 27 = -3.25 - 6.75 = -10\end{aligned}$$

ltr5:

$$\begin{aligned}x_5 &= x_4 - \text{rate} * f'(x_4) = -10 \\ &- 0.25 * (1 - 8 * (-10)) = -10 \\ &- 0.25 * 81 = -10 - 20.25 = \\ &-30.25\end{aligned}$$

After 5 iterations, the estimated minimum value of the function is at $x \approx -30.25$.

Programming: 1. write a python code to perform gradient decent to find the value x that gives the minimum value of the function $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$.

In [1]:

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def derivative_f(x):
    return 1 - 8*x

def gradient_descent(initial_x, learning_rate, num_iterations):
    x = initial_x

    for _ in range(num_iterations):
        gradient = derivative_f(x)
        x = x - learning_rate * gradient

    return x

# Define parameters
init_guess = 0
rate = 0.25
itr_no = 100

# Perform gradient descent
min_x = gradient_descent(init_guess, rate, itr_no)

# Calculate the minimum value of the function
min_value = min_x - 4*min_x**2 + 3

print(f"Best x approximately = {min_x}")
print(f"minimum value of the function approximately = {min_value}")
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Best x approximately = -6.442219009150142e+46
minimum value of the function approximately = -1.6600874304742172e+94
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programming: 2. If you learned that the value of x to give the minimum value is: 2, could you tune your code so it gives a close value. What is the learning rate and number of iterations that you used.

ans: tuned parameter would be :

initial_guess = 0

learning_rate = 0.01

num_iterations = 1000

