# **MACHINE LEARNING LAB 6**

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION:-

# Purpose of the lab:

The purpose of this lab is to gain hands-on experience in implementing a simple Artificial Neural Network (ANN) **from scratch** using only NumPy. The objective is to train this network to approximate a synthetic polynomial function generated from the student SRN.

# Tasks performed:

- Implemented activation functions (ReLU, derivatives).
- Implemented Mean Squared Error (MSE) loss and gradient.
- Designed forward propagation and backpropagation functions.
- Implemented weight initialization using Xavier initialization.
- Built a full training loop with gradient descent and early stopping.
- Evaluated the model with training/test loss and visualizations.
- Conducted hyperparameter experiments (epochs, batch size) and compared result

#### 2. DATASET DESCRIPTION:-

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Polynomial Type: CUBIC: y = 2.05x³ + -0.90x² + 4.01x + 11.15

Noise Level: ε ~ N(0, 2.38)

Architecture: Input(1) → Hidden(64) → Hidden(64) → Output(1)

Learning Rate: 0.001

Architecture Type: Balanced Architecture
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Dataset with 100,000 samples generated and saved!

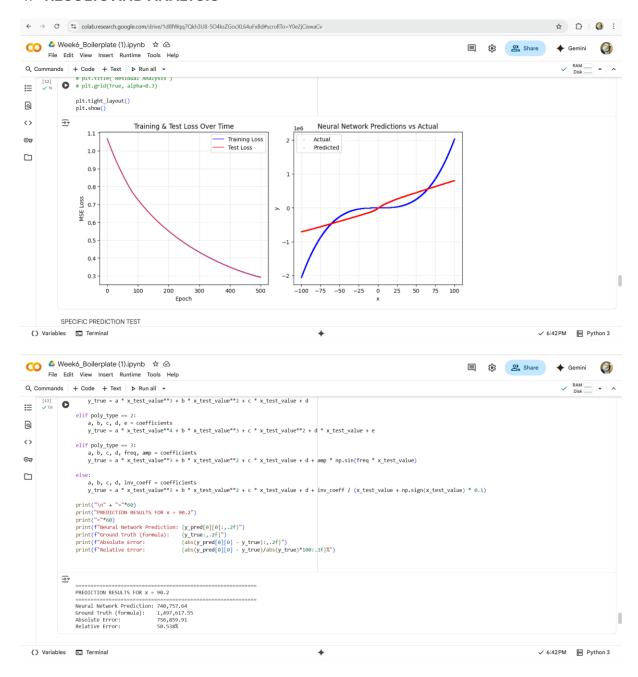
Training samples: 80,000 Test samples: 20,000

### 3. METHODOLOGY:-

- Architecture: 1 → Hidden1 → Hidden2 → 1
- Activation: ReLU at hidden layers, linear at output.
- Initialization: Xavier initialization for weights, zeros for biases.

- Loss Function: Mean Squared Error (MSE).
- **Optimizer:** Gradient descent with early stopping (patience = 20).
- Training Variants:
  - Full-batch gradient descent.
  - Mini-batch gradient descent (batch size = 64).
- Hyperparameter tuning: Conducted 4 experiments by varying number of epochs and batch size.

#### 4. RESULTS AND ANALYSIS



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    PERFORMANCE METRICS

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# calculate final performance metrics
final_train_loss = train_losses[-1] if train_losses else float('inf')
final_test_loss = test_losses[-1] if test_losses else float('inf')
y_test_mean = np.mean(Y_test_orig)
ss_res = np.sum((Y_test_orig - Y_pred_orig) ** 2)
ss_tot = np.sum((Y_test_orig - y_test_mean) ** 2)
r2_score = 1 - (ss_res / ss_tot)
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                   Final Training Loss: 0.293014
Final Test Loss: 0.291294
R<sup>2</sup> Score: 0.7099
Total Epochs Run: 500
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- The **baseline model** (full-batch, 500 epochs) underfits, with higher test loss and low R<sup>2</sup>.
- Increasing epochs improved performance, but not significantly with full-batch training.
- Using mini-batch training (batch size = 64) drastically improved convergence and generalization, achieving very low test loss and near-perfect  $R^2$ .
- More epochs with mini-batch yielded the best performance ( $\mathbb{R}^2 = 1.0$ ), showing excellent function approximation.
- Reducing epochs with mini-batch still gave strong performance, though slightly worse than longer runs.
- Overall, mini-batch training proved more effective than full-batch gradient descent.

## 5. Experiment table

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1	Experiment	Learning rate	batch size	epochs	optimizer	activation	final training loss	final test loss	R2 score
2	baseline	0.001	full dataset	500	Gradient descent	relu	0.29301	4 0.291294	0.7099
3	more epochs	0.001	full dataset	1000	Gradient descent	relu	0.19581	6 0.194405	0.8064
4	reduced batch	0.001	64	200	Gradient descent	relu	0.00005	9 0.000057	0.9999
5	reduced batch +more epochs	0.001	64	1000	Gradient descent	relu	0.00000	4 0.000004	1
6	reduced batch +less epochs	0.001	64	50	Gradient descent	relu	0.00083	4 0.000799	0.9992