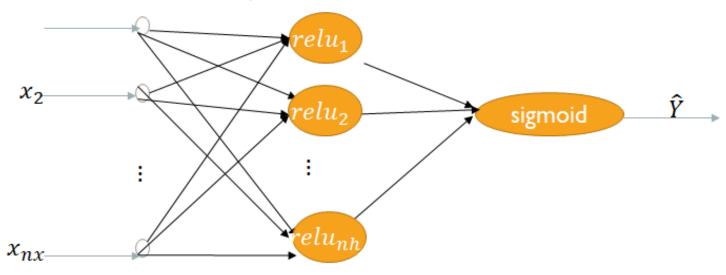
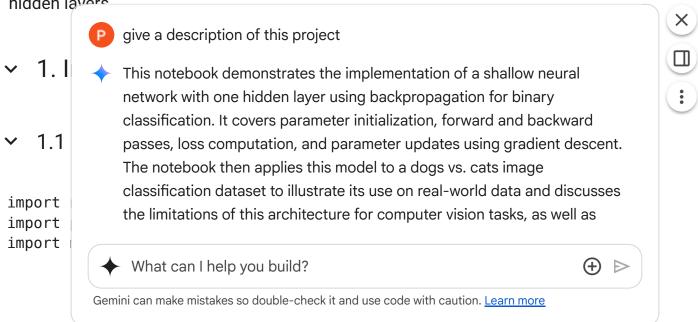
# BackPropagation with One Hidden Layer

This notebook implements a gradient descent algorithm using backprop for a shallow neural network with one hidden layer and a sigmoid activation. This neural network can be used for a shallow binary classification task. The purpose is to illustrate how backprop algorithm works on a neural network with a hidden layer.



The computation here can be easily generalized to deep neural networks with any number of hidden lawers



#### 1.2 Parameter Initialization

First we write a method to initialize the parameters of the network (i.e., the weight matrix and the bias for every layer).

It is common practice to initialize the weights to small random values and initialize biases to zeros. The reason we need to randomly initialize the weights is to break the symmetry between the neurons in a layer. Recall that all neurons in the same layer compute the same function and get the same input matrix from their previous layer. The only thing that can make the neurons in a layer different from one another is their parameters. If all the neurons in the same layer have the same initial parameters they all endup having the same activation/output and the gradient descent algorithm by itself cannot break that symmetry because the parameters are all updated to the same values. This is not good because it reduces the effective capacity of our network. A layer with 100 neurons with the same parameters is effectively equivalent to a layer with a single neuron with that parameters. Random initialization of weights can break that symmetry.

We will talk more about different random initialization methods in a later chapter. For now we just set the weights to small unform random values between 0 and 0.01 and initialize all biases to zero. We store the parameters in a python dictionary so we can access them by their name. W1 and W2 are the weight matrices for the neurons in layer 1 (hidden layer) and layer2 (output layer), respectively. b1 and b2 are the bias vectors for the hidden and output layers, respectively.

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nx is the number of neurons in the input layer (i.e., the number of features in t
nh is the number of neurons in the hidden layer
ny is the number of neurons in the output layer (For this example we are using on-
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def initialize_parameters(nx,nh1,ny):
    #set the random seed so the same random values are generated every time you re
    np.random.seed(1)
    #initialize weights to small random numbers and biases to zeros for each laye
    W1=np.random.uniform(size=(nh,nx), low=-0.01, high=0.01)
    b1=np.zeros((nh,1))
    W2=np.random.uniform(size=(ny,nh), low=-0.01, high=0.01)
    b2=np.zeros((ny,1))
    #create a dictionary of network parameters
    parameters = {"W1": W1,
                  "b1": b1,
                  "W2": W2,
                  "b2": b2}
    return parameters
```

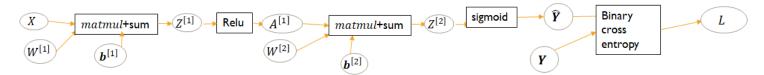
#### ✓ 1.3 Forward Pass

Let's write utility methods to compute the activation function of the neurons. For this example, we set the activation for the nuerons in the hidden layer to relu and the neuron in the output layer has sigmoid activation.

```
#relu activation
def relu(z):
    return np.maximum(0,z)

#sigmoid activation
def sigmoid(z):
    a= 1/(1+np.exp(-z))
    return a
```

Now let's write a method to do the forward pass. The method forward\_pass takes the input dataset X and the network parameters (i.e., weights and biases) and computes the network output  $\hat{Y}$  by performing the operations in the computational graph. Here is the computational graph for this shallow neural network with one hidden layer:



- X is  $nx \times n$  matrix where nx is the number of features and n is the number of examples in X.
- W1 is a  $nh \times nx$  matrix where nh is the number of neurons in the hidden layer
- *b*1 is a vector of length *nh*
- Z1 and A1 are both  $nh \times n$  matrices
- W2 is a  $1 \times nh$  matrix
- Z2 and Yhat are both  $1 \times n$  matrices

We want to return the intermediate values A1 and Z2 in addition to the output Yhat to use them in the backward pass. So we create a dictionary, cache, to store these values and returned it.

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In forward pass we do the computations in the computational graph. We cache the independent of the image of the image
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Let's also write a utility method to compute the loss

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n is the number of examples, y is a vector of actual/observed outputs and yhat is

def compute\_loss(Y,Yhat):

 n=Y.shape[1]
 loss=(-1 / n) \* np.sum(Y \* np.log(Yhat) + (1 - Y) \* (np.log(1 - Yhat)))

#### 1.3 Backward Pass

return loss

Before doing the backward pass, lets write utility functions to compute the gradients of binary cross entropy loss, sigmoid, and relu.

Recall from the lectures that BinaryLoss is  $L=-1/n\sum_i y_ilog(\hat{y}_i)+(1-y_i)log(1-\hat{y}_i)$  So for one example i, the loss would be as follows:  $\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}_i}=\frac{-y_i}{\hat{y}_i}+\frac{(y_i-1)(-1)}{1-\hat{y}_i}=\frac{\hat{y}_i-y_i}{\hat{y}_i(1-\hat{y}_i)}$ 

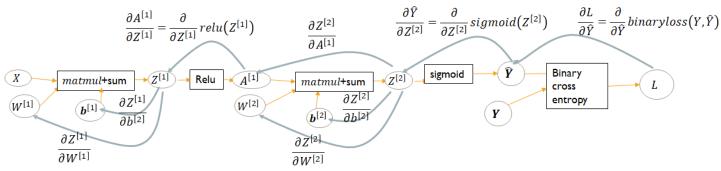
Similarly, recall from lecture 2.3 that  $\hat{y}_i = sigmoid(z) = \frac{1}{1 + exp(-z)}$  so  $\frac{d}{dz}sigmoid(z) = \frac{exp(-z)}{(1 + exp(-z))^2} = \hat{y}_i(1 - \hat{y}_i)$ 

The derivative of relu(z) = max(z, 0) with respect to z is equal to 1 when z>0 otherwise it is zero. Relu is not differentiable at =0 but we can conventionally set the derivative to zero at z=0

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Y is the observed output and Yhat is the predicted output (i.e., output of the new
The derivative of binary cross entropy loss with respect to Yhat is (Yhat-Y)/(Yha
where / and * are both elementwise operation
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def dBinaryLoss(Y,Yhat):
    return (Yhat-Y)/(Yhat*(1-Yhat))
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The derivative of sigmoid(A) with respect to A is A*(1-A)
where * is elementwise multiplication
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def dsigmoid(Z):
    A=sigmoid(Z)
    return (A*(1-A))
def drelu(Z):
np.where(condition, x, y) for each element of the array returns x if condition is
In this case for each element Z drelu=1 if the element is greater than 0 otherwis-
.....
    drelu=np.where(Z>0, 1.0, 0.0)
    return drelu
```

Now we are ready to write the backward pass function. The local gradients needed for the backward pass are shown in the computational graph.



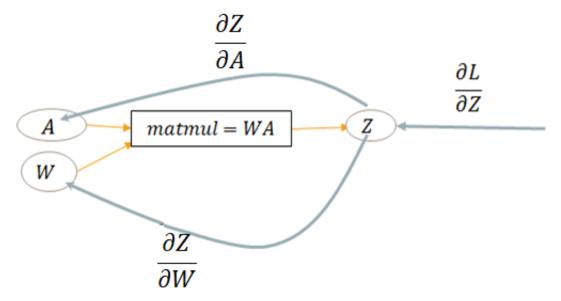
To compute the gradient of loss with respect to each node we move backward from the loss to that node multiplying the local grdients along the path.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial Z^{[2]}} = dBinaryLoss(Y, \hat{Y}) * dsigmoid(Z^{[2]})$$

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{[2]}} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z^{[2]}} A^{[1]}^T \\ &\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{[2]}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z_j^{[2]}} \\ &\frac{\partial L}{\partial A^{[1]}} = W^{[2]}^T \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z^{[2]}} \\ &\frac{\partial L}{\partial Z^{[1]}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial A^{[1]}} * drelu(Z^{[1]}) \\ &\frac{\partial L}{\partial W^{[1]}} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z^{[1]}} X^T \\ &\frac{\partial L}{\partial b^{[1]}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z_j^{[1]}} \end{split}$$

Where \* is element-wise multiplication for two matrices of the same dinesion. The above computations are mostly straightforward (follow directly from moving backwards from the loss (last node) in the computational graph multiplying the gradients).

The one operation that might need clarification, however, is the gradient of matmul (matrix multiplication) operation. If we have a matrix multiplication operation Z=WA which recieves an upstream gradient  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial Z}$  as shown in the following graph



Then the gradients of matmul operation with respect to  ${\it W}$  and  ${\it A}$  are calculated as follws:

$$\frac{\partial L}{W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z} A^T$$
 where  $A^T$  is the transpose of matrix A.

$$\frac{\partial L}{A} = W^T \frac{\partial L}{\partial Z}$$
 where  $W^T$  is the transpose of matrix W.

The proof of this requires knowledge of matrix claclus and multi-variable chain rule which is

outside of the scope of this lecture but if you are interested to see how this is derived you can refer to this short lecture from stanford

Also sincec the loss function is averaged over all training examples, the gradient of weights and biases are also averaged over training examples before they are updated using gradient descent. You might be wondering why we are summing the bias terms when computing the gradients but not the weights. The reason is the matrix multiplication  $\frac{\partial L}{Z}A^T$  takes care of summing over the training examples and we don't have to explicitly do it.

### → 1.4 Using Gradient Descent To update the parameters

Now we hare ready to implement the gradient descent learning algorithm to update the network parameters.

```
def update_parameters(parameters, gradients, learning_rate):
    parameters["W1"]=parameters["W1"]-learning_rate*gradients["dW1"]
    parameters["W2"]=parameters["W2"]-learning_rate*gradients["dW2"]
    parameters["b1"]=parameters["b1"]-learning_rate*gradients["db1"]
    parameters["b2"]=parameters["b2"]-learning_rate*gradients["db2"]
    return parameters
```

### ✓ 1.5 Putting it all together, Creating the NN Model

Now we can put everything together to train our NN model. By training we mean run a given number of gradient descent iteratiosn to update and return the network parameters.

```
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Arguments: train_X: is the training dataset (features)
           train Y: is the vector of labels for training X
           val X: is the vector of validation dataset (features)
           val_y: is the vector of labels for val_X
           nh: is the number of neurons in the hidden layer
           num_iterations: The number of iterations of gradient descent
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def create_nn_model(train_X,train_Y,nh, val_X, val_Y, num_iterations, learning_ra
   Do some safety check on the data before proceeding.
    train_X and val_X must have the same number of features (i.e., same number of
    train_X must have the same number of examples as train_Y (i.e., same number o
    val X must have the same number of examples as Val Y
    .....
   assert(train_X.shape[0]==val_X.shape[0]), "train_X and val_X must have the same
   assert(train_X.shape[1]==train_Y.size), "train_X and train_Y must have the same
    assert(val_X.shape[1]==val_Y.size), "val_X and val_Y must have the same numbe
   #getting the number of features
   nx=train X.shape[0]
   # We want to use this network for binary classification, so we have only one
    ny=1
   # initializing the parameteres
    parameters=initialize_parameters(nx,nh,ny)
```

```
#initialize lists to store the training and valideation losses for each itera
val_loss=[]
train loss=[]
#run num_iterations of gradient descent
for i in range (0, num_iterations):
    #run the forward pass on train X
    Yhat_train, train_cache= forward_pass(parameters,train_X)
    #run the forward pass on val_X
    Yhat_val,val_cache= forward_pass(parameters,val_X)
    #compute the loss on the train and val datasets
    train_loss.append(compute_loss(train_Y,Yhat_train))
    val_loss.append(compute_loss(val_Y,Yhat_val))
    .....
    run the backward pass. Note that the backward pass is only run on the tra
    Because the learning must be only done on the training data and hence, va
    the model parameters.
    .....
    gradients=backward_pass(parameters, train_cache, train_X, train_Y,Yhat_train_y)
    # update the parameters
    parameters=update_parameters(parameters, gradients, learning_rate)
    #print the trianing loss and validation loss for each iteration.
    print("iteration {} :train_loss:{} val_loss{}".format(i,train_loss[i],val_
#create a dictionary history and put train_loss and validaiton_loss in it
history={"val loss": val loss,
         "train loss": train loss}
    #return the parameters and the history
return parameters, history
```

### 1.5 predicting and evaluating the NN model

After training our nn mode, we can use it to predict the label for a given example. The output of the neuron in the output layer is the predicted probability that the example belongs to class 1. If this probability is greater or equal than a given threshold, we classify the example data as 1 otherwise as zero. If no threshold is given, we use 0.5 as the cutoff.

```
def predict(parameters, X, prob_threshold=0.5):
    Yhat,cache=forward_pass(parameters, X)
    # predict class 1 if the output is greater than prob_threshold; otherwise, propredicted_label=np.where(Yhat>prob_threshold, 1, 0)
    return predicted_label
```

We can also write a simple method to comput ethe accurracy of a model given the predicted and actual/observed labels. The accurracy is defined as the proportion of the correctly labeled examples.

```
def accuracy(observedY,predictedY):
    #return the ratio of the examples for which predictedY=observedY over the total
    return float(np.sum(predictedY==observedY))/observedY.size
```

# 2. Applying the NN model to classify Cat and Dog Images

Let's apply this shallow NN model with one hidden layer to dogs vs cats dataset from Kaggle website: <a href="https://www.kaggle.com/c/dogs-vs-cats">https://www.kaggle.com/c/dogs-vs-cats</a>. This dataset was made available by Kaggle as part of a computer-vision competition in late 2013. This dataset contains 25,000 medium resolution JPEG images of dogs and cats (12,500 from each class). Unsurprisingly, the dogs-versus-cats Kaggle competition in 2013 was won by entrants who used Convolutional neural network, a type of deep neural network used in computer vision. The best entries achieved up to 95% accuracy. We will discuss convolutional neural networks in a later chapter and will be able to get fairly close to and surpass this accuracy.

But for now let's train our shallow neural network on this dataset. Obviously this shallow neural network is not going to perform well on this dataset because it does not have enough capcity to represent the data. But it will help use illustrate how we can apply the nn model we just developed to some real-world data.

The images are of varying sizes. I took a uniform sample of 2500 images from this dataset. I preprocessed the images and resized them to  $64(\text{height}) \times 64(\text{width}) \times 3$  (RGB channels) pixels. Each pixel value is a number between 0-1 representing the brightness of that pixel. In order to prepare the data for our neural network model, I reshaped it into a 2d array with  $64 \times 64 \times 3$  rows and 2500 columns where each row represents a pixel and each column represents a single image. I added the labels (0 for cat and 1 for dog) as an additional row. So the final array had  $64 \times 64 \times 3+1$  rows and 2500 columns. I splitted this array randomly into two arrays for training and validation with 2000 and 500 images, respectively and saved them into train.csv and validation.csv files.

I intentially left out the code for preprocessing from this notebook. We will later learn how to use Keras (a popular deep learning framework) to automatically do these types of image preprocessing.

I have uploaded the processed files on box and we can directly download it here using wget command.:

# downloading the files from theb box
!wget --no-check-certificate --content-disposition "https://uofi.box.com/shared/

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    Location: /public/static/ezda2j2u9n7arw18vefrfqp7w2gs1kcx.zip [following]
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    HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
    Length: 67473423 (64M) [application/zip]
    Saving to: 'cat-vs-dog-processed.zip.1'
    in 1.9s
    2022-02-14 03:29:05 (34.5 MB/s) - 'cat-vs-dog-processed.zip.1' saved [6747342]
#extracting the zip file
import os
import zipfile
zip ref = zipfile.ZipFile('cat-vs-dog-processed.zip', 'r')
zip_ref.extractall()
# reading the input datasets train.csv and validation.csv and store them into num
train=pd.read_csv("cat-vs-dog-processed/train.csv", header=None).to_numpy()
val = pd.read_csv('cat-vs-dog-processed/validation.csv', header=None).to_numpy()
print(train.shape)
print(val.shape)
```

(12289, 2000) (12289, 500) I separated the features from labels for training and validation data and stored them in separate numpy arrays.

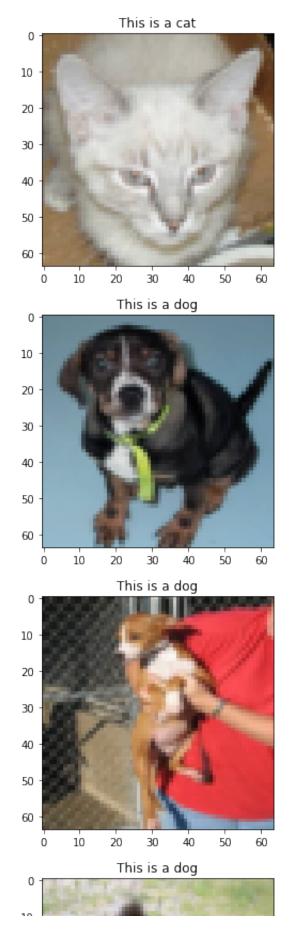
```
#everything minus the last row is X
train X=train[:-1,]
#the last row (at index −1) is Y
train Y=train[-1,:]
# the labels train_Y and val_Y have to be reshaped to a 2D array for the matrix o
train_Y=np.reshape(train_Y, (1,train_Y.size))
val X=val[:-1,]
val_Y=val[-1,]
val_Y=np.reshape(val_Y, (1,val_Y.size))
print(train_X.shape)
print(val_X.shape)
print(train_Y.shape)
print(val_Y.shape)
print(train_Y)
→ (12288, 2000)
    (12288, 500)
    (1, 2000)
    (1, 500)
    [[0. 1. 0. ... 1. 0. 1.]]
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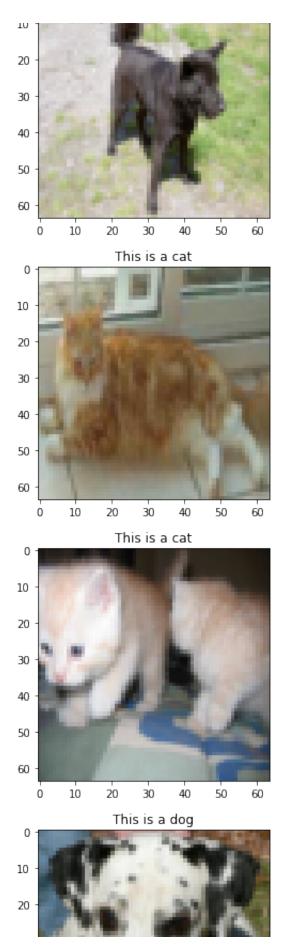
Let's check out the first ten imagas in training and validation set together with their labels

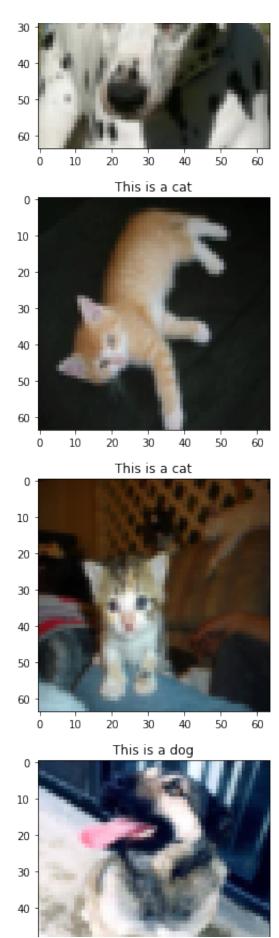
```
for i in range(10):
    image=train_X[:,i].reshape(64,64,3)
    plt.imshow(image)
    plt.title("This is a {}".format("dog" if train_Y[:,i]==1 else "cat"))
    plt.show()
    image=val_X[:,i].reshape(64,64,3)
    plt.title("This is a {}".format("dog" if val_Y[:,i]==1 else "cat"))

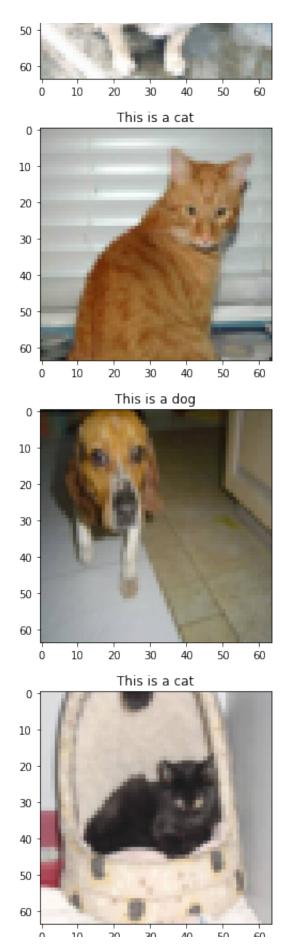
    plt.imshow(image)
    plt.show()
```

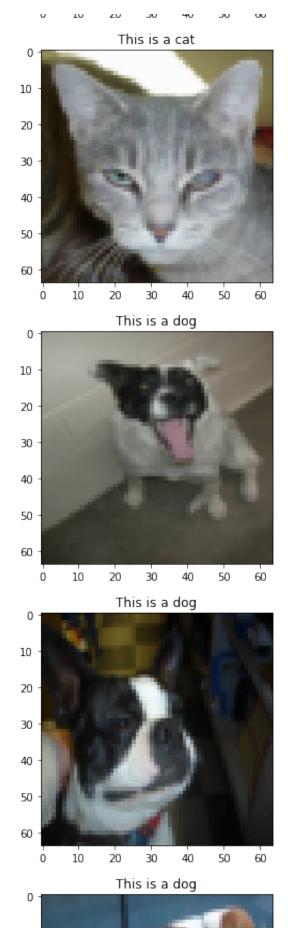


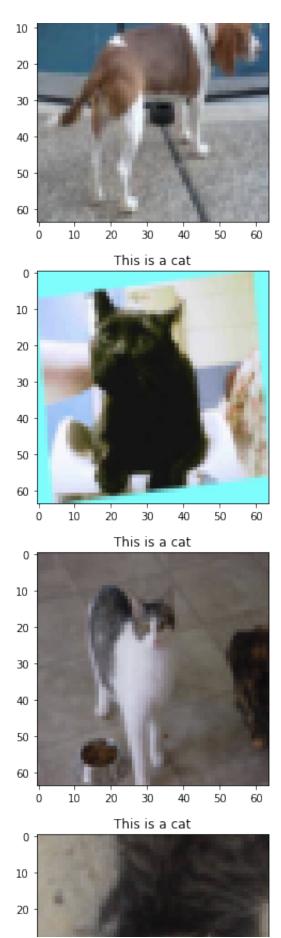


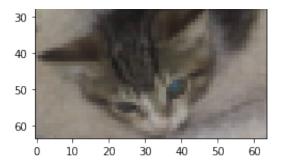












Ok. We are now ready to train our model on on this data. The train and validation loss is printed after each iteration of gradient descent. There are a few parameters that we need to give to our model before it can start the learning from the data, such as the number of neurons in the hidden layer, the learning rate, and the number of iterations of gradient descent. These are the *hyperparameters* of our model. There is no golden rule on what values these hyperparameters should take. In the next module we will discuss sysmtematic ways to search for good hyperparameter values for now let's just set the number of neurons in the hidden layer to 50, the learning rate to 0.01 and the number of iterations to 1000. You can play around with different hyper-parameter values and see their impact on the training and validation losses.

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Also keep in mind that the initial choice of random values for the parameters can greatly affect the performance of gradient descent. We will talk more about this topic in a later module when we talk about optimization algorithms for deep learning. Bur for now, try changing the range of initial random values for weights to see how it affect the performance of your model.

```
iterations=2000
parameters, history=create_nn_model(train_X,train_Y,50, val_X, val_Y, iterations,
    iteration 0 :train_loss:0.6930148734947061 val_loss0.6931388992028822
```

```
iteration 1 :train loss:0.6930053195901351 val loss0.6931316771098335
iteration 2 :train_loss:0.6929958359765449 val_loss0.6931244525152397
iteration 3 :train_loss:0.6929865320400699 val_loss0.6931171933953386
iteration 4 :train_loss:0.6929772494891627 val_loss0.6931099295278521
iteration 5 :train_loss:0.6929680594433567    val_loss0.6931026640850187
iteration 6 :train loss:0.6929589692699909 val loss0.6930953994118586
iteration 7 :train loss:0.6929499198479123 val loss0.6930881418427552
iteration 8 :train loss:0.6929408895479683 val loss0.6930808364555637
iteration 9 :train_loss:0.692931913443367 val_loss0.6930735195237014
iteration 10 :train_loss:0.6929229789506692 val_loss0.693066171638089
iteration 11 :train_loss:0.6929139773509287 val_loss0.6930587804696454
iteration 12 :train_loss:0.6929049341943496 val_loss0.693051507483653
iteration 13 :train loss:0.6928958981270323 val loss0.6930443949772194
iteration 14 :train loss:0.6928868237649828 val loss0.6930371948823016
iteration 15 :train loss:0.6928776908685219 val loss0.6930299639974713
iteration 16 :train_loss:0.6928684336941296 val_loss0.693022586010379
iteration 17 :train_loss:0.6928591711067218 val_loss0.6930149925047118
iteration 18 :train_loss:0.6928499450478758 val_loss0.6930073093870724
iteration 19 :train_loss:0.6928406153671914 val_loss0.6929997740583256
iteration 20 :train_loss:0.6928311707320669 val_loss0.6929922748110137
iteration 21 :train loss:0.6928217605750459 val loss0.6929849212763157
iteration 22 :train_loss:0.6928123742576959 val loss0.6929776881031182
iteration 23 :train_loss:0.6928031300456671 val_loss0.6929704837284691
iteration 24 :train_loss:0.6927940453391971 val_loss0.6929633787730965
iteration 25 :train_loss:0.6927850468906049 val_loss0.6929559692827203
iteration 26 :train_loss:0.6927760352358826 val_loss0.6929485597685336
iteration 27 :train loss:0.6927669465853044 val loss0.6929410262807285
iteration 28 :train loss:0.6927579383097205 val loss0.6929335652701295
iteration 29 :train loss:0.6927489323909732 val loss0.6929260225587327
iteration 30 :train_loss:0.6927399666740105 val_loss0.6929185916466538
iteration 31 :train loss:0.6927310449022095 val loss0.6929112869676072
iteration 32 :train_loss:0.6927222607239698 val_loss0.6929040337041793
iteration 33 :train_loss:0.692713572218357 val_loss0.6928969596015143
iteration 34 :train loss:0.692704940644594 val loss0.6928898704497003
iteration 35 :train_loss:0.6926963261434405 val_loss0.692882804623983
iteration 36 :train loss: 0.692687640781725 val loss 0.6928758165480629
iteration 37 :train_loss:0.6926788652794376 val_loss0.6928689402528357
iteration 38 :train loss:0.6926701502553662 val loss0.6928621275771744
iteration 39 :train_loss:0.6926616099091164 val_loss0.6928554560160244
iteration 40 :train_loss:0.6926532872412253 val_loss0.6928490397009641
iteration 41 :train_loss:0.6926451066913003 val_loss0.6928426918240502
iteration 42 :train_loss:0.69263704404799 val_loss0.6928364727191397
iteration 43 :train_loss:0.6926290271620962 val loss0.6928302845655843
iteration 44 :train_loss:0.692621124735184    val_loss0.6928243058166994
iteration 45 :train_loss:0.6926132438607607 val_loss0.6928183209508085
iteration 46 :train loss:0.6926054732917808 val loss0.6928125532612551
iteration 47 :train_loss:0.6925977691532808 val_loss0.6928067306053267
iteration 48 :train loss:0.6925902119983246 val loss0.6928008949212815
iteration 49 :train_loss:0.6925826679097348 val_loss0.6927952091747753
iteration 50 :train_loss:0.6925751178081982 val_loss0.6927895562055544
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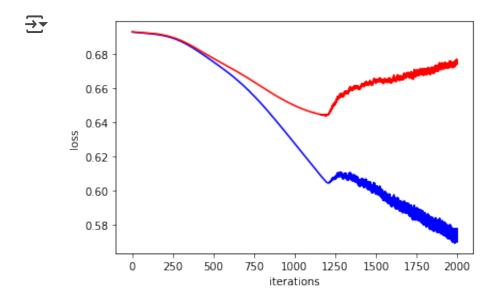
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iteration 51 :train_loss:0.6925675989020286 val_loss0.6927839605511265
iteration 52 :train_loss:0.6925600464643683 val_loss0.692778273078054
iteration 53 :train_loss:0.692552536515009 val_loss0.6927726262075998
iteration 54 :train_loss:0.6925450854941622 val_loss0.6927670424383369
iteration 55 :train_loss:0.6925375493255151 val_loss0.6927614495736436
iteration 56 :train_loss:0.6925299269762052 val_loss0.6927558808445906
iteration 57 :train_loss:0.6925223425080267 val_loss0.692750360974332
```

Now we can go ahead and plot the validation and training loss per iteration of gradient descent. This plot is commonly referred to as the *learning curve* and is very helpful in diagnosing our neural network model. We can see from this learning curve that the training loss (blue curve) continues to decrease all the way to around iteration 1250 after which it slightly goes up before it goes down again. This suggests that learning rate ( which we set to 0.01 in this model) might be too high after this iteration causing the gradient descent algorithm to take a larger than optimal step. he fact that the training loss starts to fluctuate after this iteration also confirms that the learning rate is too high at that point. In a later module ( optimization module) we will talk about different techniques to adjust the learning rate.

The validation loss also decreases all the way to around iteration 1250 after which it goes up. The gap between the validation loss and training loss increases after around 400 iteration showing that the model is overfitting. This means, as we continue the training, the model is starting to learn features that are specific to the training data that do not generalize well beyond to the validation data(e.g., it might recognize a door or a window or something else in the background as being related to having a cat or dog in the image)

In next two modules, we will focus on techniques to improve the training error (i.e., the optimization algorithms) and the gap between the training and validation error (i.e., generalization)

```
plt.plot(range(0,iterations),history["train_loss"],'b')
plt.plot(range(0,iterations),history["val_loss"],'r')
plt.ylabel('loss')
plt.xlabel('iterations')
plt.show()
```



Now let's compute the accurracy of our model on the training and validation data. unsuprisingly, the accurracy on the training data is much better than the validation data because of the overfitting. The accurracy of the validation data ( which is what matters) is very low ( just slightly better than random) which tells us that this model is not a good model for this dataset.

We can try to use more data to train our model or use regularization (as we will see in the next module) to battle overfitting. But even then, we might only be able to only slightlhy increase the validation accurracy. The reason is that a stack of fully connected layers of neurons is not a good network architecture for a comptuer vision task and does not take advantage of the spatial information in the image. In a later module, we will discuss convolutional neural networks (CNN) which are a type of feedforward neural network optimised for computer vision tasks and will be able to get a much better validation accurracy on this dataset using CNN.

```
predicted_train=predict(parameters, train_X)
predicted_val=predict(parameters, val_X)
```

print("accurracy of the model on the training data is:", accuracy(train\_Y,predictor) print("accurracy of the model on the validation data is:", accuracy(val\_Y,predictor)

accurracy of the model on the training data is: 0.71 accurracy of the model on the validation data is: 0.586

# References

This notebook is heavily inspired by the following work:

 Andrew Ng, Neural Network and Deep Learning course, https://www.coursera.org/learn/neural-networks-deep-learning