

# Learning Rate Optimizers

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## 1. How Adagrad Optimizer:

- Up to now we knew some optimizers like GD, SGD, MBSGD. These all optimizers are used for reduce the loss function.
- The weight updating formula which is used in GD, SGD, MBSGD is:

$$\omega_{new} = \omega_{old} - \alpha \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_{old}} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

- In Adagrad Optimizer the formula has changed as:

$$\omega_t = \omega_{t-1} - \alpha_t^1 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \omega_{old}} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

- The main change in this optimization is, we are taking different learning rates for each neuron in each layer at each iteration. That's why the  $\alpha$  is replaced with  $\alpha_t^1$ .  
Here  $\alpha_t$  = Present weight;  
 $t$  = Iteration number;  
 $\alpha_{t-1}$  = Previous weight
- Adagrad Optimizer taking different alpha values to avoid DENSE, SPARSE, BOW problems.

### 1.1. $\alpha_t^1$ Value Calculation:

- Now the task is finding  $\alpha_t^1$  value. the correspond formula is:

$$\alpha_t^1 = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha_t + \varepsilon}}$$

- Here  $\varepsilon$  is a small +ve value Which is added to  $\alpha_t$  to avoid the zero values problem. let's consider a formula without  $\varepsilon$ .

$$\alpha_t^1 = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}$$

- If we consider the above formula. If  $\alpha_t = 0$  then  $\alpha_t^1 = \infty$  finally the  $w_t = \infty$ . to avoid this problem, we add a small positive value  $\varepsilon$ .

### 1.2. $\alpha_t$ Values Calculation:

- $\alpha_t$  is the sum of derivative of loss function from starting iteration to current iteration.

$$\alpha_t = \sum_{i=1}^t \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_i} \right]^2$$

- Let's consider we calculate  $\alpha_t$  for 3rd iteration then the formula become:

$$\alpha_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_i} \right]^2$$

- $\alpha_t$  value is always higher value, because it is the sum-up component of derivative functions. which means we are adding all derivative terms to calculate  $\alpha_t$ .
- Whenever  $\alpha_t$  value is high, then  $\alpha_t^1$  value will be decreased because  $\alpha_t^1$  is inversely proportional to  $\sqrt{\alpha_t}$ .

$$\alpha_t^1 \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}$$

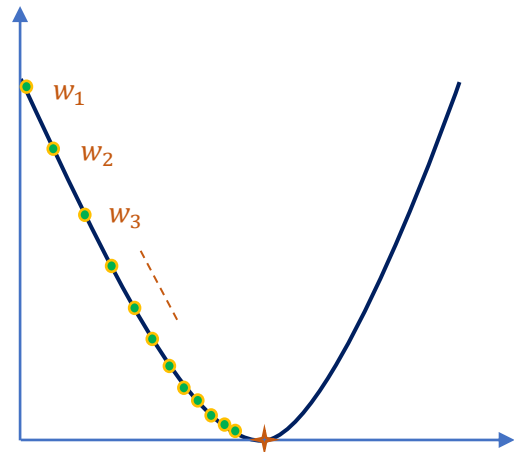
- $\alpha_t^1$  decreases for every iteration then the weight also will decrease slowly if weights are decreased then cost function will coverage to minimum point.

### 1.3. Important Graph Explanation:

- In Adagrad Optimization the weights are decreasing slowly and finally converge to minima as shown in the graph.
- Initially the weights are very high and continuously those will decrease step by step.

### 1.4. Disadvantage:

This Adagrad Optimizer is also having one disadvantage due to  $\alpha_t$ . Actually  $\alpha_t$  is some of squares of derivative terms.



Global minima  
Figure 1 - Convex function

- Consider if number of iterations are increasing  $\alpha_t$  value will also increase. if  $\alpha_t$  increasing drastically  $\alpha_t^1$  value will be very low. This situation can create approximate zero values of  $\alpha_t^1$ .
- So, this optimization technique fails at a higher number of iterations of training.

## 2. Adadelta Optimizer:

- Adadelta is an advanced version of Adagrad Optimizer. It Addresses the issues which are in Adagrad.
- Adagrad has *Diminishing Learning Rates* problem that can resolve by Adadelta.
- The  $\alpha_t$  is the main reason of *Diminishing Learning Rates* problem, the Adadelta Optimizer formula created by  $w_{avg}$  instead  $\alpha_t$ .

$$\alpha_t^1 = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{w_{avg} + \varepsilon}}$$

$$w_{avg(t)} = \gamma w_{avg(t-1)} + (1 - \gamma) \left[ \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_t} \right]^2$$

- The main difference between.  $w_{avg}$  and  $\alpha_t$  is high value.  $\alpha_t$  value is always high when we compare  $\alpha_t$  with  $w_{avg}$ .
- The main reason is  $w_{avg}$  don't have any summation terms and it haven't all iterations loss function terms. It has only one loss function term. so, it doesn't have any problem about high number of iterations.
- Here  $\gamma$  is a small fractional multiplier and it is 0.95 in most cases.