## Assignment Seven ECE 4200

- Provide credit to **any sources** other than the course staff that helped you solve the problems. This includes **all students** you talked to regarding the problems.
- You can look up definitions/basics online (e.g., wikipedia, stack-exchange, etc)
- The due date is 4/19/2020, 23.59.59 eastern time.
- Submission rules are the same as previous assignments.

**Problem 1.** (15 points). Consider one layer of a ReLU network. The feature vector is d dimensional  $\overrightarrow{x}$ . The linear transformation is a  $m \times d$  dimensional matrix W. The output of the ReLU network is a m dimensional vector y given by  $\max\{\mathbf{0}, W\overrightarrow{x}\}$ . This is a component-wise max function.

- Suppose  $\overrightarrow{x}$  is fixed, and all its entries are non-zero.
- Suppose the entries in W are all independent, and distributed according to a Gaussian distribution with mean 0, and standard deviation 1 (a N(0,1) distribution).
- 1. Show that the expected number of non-zero entries in the output is m/2.
- 2. Suppose  $|\overrightarrow{x}|_2^2 = \sigma^2$ , what is the distribution of each entry in Wx (the output before applying ReLU function)?
- 3. What is the mean of each entry in y (after ReLU function)?

**Problem 2.** (10 points). Consider the setting as in the previous problem, with m=2, and d=2. Let

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \overrightarrow{x} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Consider the function  $L = \max \left\{ \sigma(W_{(1)} \overrightarrow{x}), \sigma(W_{(2)} \overrightarrow{x}) \right\}$ , where  $\sigma$  is the Sigmoid function and  $W_{(i)}$  denotes the *i*th row of W. Please draw the computational graph for this function, and compute the gradients (which will be Jacobians at some nodes!).

**Problem 3.** (10 points). Given inputs  $z_1, z_2$ , the softmax function is the following:

$$\hat{y} = \frac{e^{z_1}}{e^{z_1} + e^{z_2}}.$$

Let  $y \in \{0,1\}$ , then define the cross-entropy loss between y and  $\hat{y}$  be

$$L(y, \hat{y}) = -y \log(\hat{y}) - (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y}).$$

Prove that:

$$\frac{\partial L(y,\hat{y})}{\partial z_1} = \hat{y} - y, \frac{\partial L(y,\hat{y})}{\partial z_2} = y - \hat{y}.$$

**Problem 4.** (15 points). Consider datapoints in Figure 1: (-2,0), (2,0) are crosses, and (0,2), (0,-2) are circles. Let the crosses be labeled +1, and the circles be labeled -1. In this problem the goal

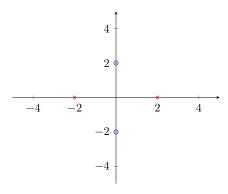
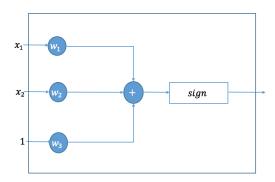


Figure 1: Neural Networks

is to design a neural network with no error on this dataset.

To make things simple, consider the following generalization. We first append a +1 to each input and form a new dataset as follows: (-2,0,1),(2,0,1) are labeled +1, and (0,2,1),(0,-2,1) are labeled -1. Note that the last feature is redundant.

We consider the following basic units for our neural networks: Linear transformation followed by hard thresholding. Each unit has three parameters  $w_1, w_2, w_3$ . The output of the unit is the sign of the inner product of the parameters with the input.



1. Design a neural network with these units that make no error on the datapoints above. (Hint: You can take two units in the first layer, and one in the output layer, a total of three units).

2. Show that if you design a neural network with ONLY one such unit, then the points cannot be all classified correctly.

Problem 5. (40 points). See attached notebook for details.