# NYCU Deep Learning Lab-1 Back Propagation

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## Introduction

在本次作業中,實作了一個簡單的深度神經網路,並完成了 Forward Propagation 與 Back Propagation 的流程,以模擬模型的訓練過程。除此之外,也額外加入了多種 Activation Function 與 Optimizer,以觀察它們對模型訓練效果的影響與優化效果。

為了驗證模型的表現與泛化能力,訓練資料分別使用助教提供的 Linear Dataset 以及 XOR Dataset。本作業的主要目的是深入理解 Back Propagation 的運作原理與細節,並透過嘗試調整模型結構、參數以及 Hyperparameters (如 Learning rate、Activation Functions 與 Optimizer )來優化訓練過程。

此外,透過實際實作與實驗,我們能更直觀地掌握深度學習中梯度下降的概念,並 進一步了解不同設計選擇對於收斂速度與最終準確率的影響,為未來更複雜模型的開發 打下基礎。

# **Implement Detail**

#### **Network Architecture**

- Input Layer 含 2 個節點
- 兩層 Hidden Layer,可調整單元數
- Output Layer 含 1 個節點
- 全連接結構 (fully connected)

```
class Model:
    def __init__(
        self,
input_size=2,
        output_size=1,
        hidden_layers_size=10,
        activation="sigmoid",
optimizer="SGD",
        learning_rate=0.01,
        self.activation = activation
        self.losses = []
self.layers = []
        self.learning_rate = learning_rate
        # Build model
        self.layers.append(
            Linear_Layer(input_size, hidden_layers_size, activation,
                         optimizer))
        self.layers.append(
            Linear_Layer(hidden_layers_size, hidden_layers_size, activation,
                        optimizer))
        self.layers.append(
            Linear_Layer(hidden_layers_size, output_size, activation,
            optimizer))
```

#### **Activation Functions**

- 提供 Sigmoid、ReLU、Tanh 三種 Activation Funtions 選擇
- 同時實作各 Activation functions 的微分以利之後計算梯度使用

```
# Activative functions and their derivatives
def sigmoid(x):
    return 1.0 / (1.0 + np.exp(-x))

def derivative_sigmoid(x):
    return np.multiply(x, 1.0 - x)

def relu(x):
    return np.maximum(0, x)

def derivative_relu(x):
    return np.where(x >= 0, 1, 0)

def tanh(x):
    return np.tanh(x)

def derivative_tanh(x):
    return 1.0 - np.square(np.tanh(x))
```

## **Backpropagation**

- Loss Function採用 MSE (Mean Squared Error)
- 計算各層梯度
- 根據梯度更新 Weights 與 Bias

#### 符號定義

• C: : Loss Function , 此模型中使用 Mean Square Error (MSE)

 $oldsymbol{\sigma}$  : Activation Function

b<sup>l</sup> : 第l 層的 bias

•  $w^l$  : 第l 層的 weight

•  $z^l$  : 從第 l-1 層 到第l 層經由 weight 和 bias 運算後得到的結果

•  $a^l : \sigma (z^l)$ 

 $\delta^l : \frac{\partial C}{\partial z^l} \qquad \qquad l = 1 \qquad \qquad l = 2 \qquad \qquad l = 3$ 

 $z_1^3 = a_1^2 w_{11}^3 + a_2^2 w_{12}^3 + b_1^3 \ a_1^3 = \sigma(z_1^3)$ 

 $C=1/2\cdot \Sigma (y_i-a_1^3)^2$ 

對於每一層 Layer,我們需要去計算其 $\delta$  值。假設我們已知 $\delta^l$ ,我們可以藉由此值推導出  $\delta^{l-1}$ ,根據連鎖律(Chain Rule), $\delta^{l-1} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial z^{l-1}} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial z^{l-1}} \times \frac{\partial z^l}{\partial a^{l-1}} \times \frac{\partial a^{l-1}}{\partial z^{l-1}}$ 。

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial z^l}$$
 即為  $\delta^l$ ,為我們已知

$$\frac{\partial z^l}{\partial a^{l-1}}$$
根據觀察可得知為 $w^l$ 

$$\frac{\partial a^{l-1}}{\partial z^{l-1}}$$
即為  $\sigma'$  (  $z^{l-1}$  ),  $\sigma'$  為 Activation function 之微分

下方圖片中的delta 就是參照以上推導而計算出,知道 $\delta$  值後即可得知所有 weight 和 bias 的梯度,如下方證明,可知 bias 的梯度即為 $\delta^l$ ,weight 的梯度為 $\delta^l \times a^l$ 。

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial b^{l}} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial a^{l}} \times \frac{\partial a^{l}}{\partial z^{l}} \times \frac{\partial z^{l}}{\partial b^{l}} = \delta^{l}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w^{l}} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial a^{l}} \times \frac{\partial a^{l}}{\partial z^{l}} \times \frac{\partial z^{l}}{\partial w^{l}} = \delta^{l} \times a^{l}$$

也就是下方程式碼 dW 和 db 的計算方式,該程式碼為 Linear\_Layer 類別的 backward 實作

```
def backward(self, upstream_delta, learning_rate=0.01):
                        the activation function is empty
     if not self.activation:
         delta = upstream_delta
         # If no activation function, delta is just upstream_delta
         delta = upstream delta * derivative activation map[self.activation](self.a)
     # Calculate gradients of weights and bias
     dW = np.dot(self.input.T, delta)
    db = np.sum(delta)
     if self.optimizer == "SGD":
    self.weights -= dW * learning_rate
    self.bias -= db * learning_rate
     elif self.optimizer == "Adagrad":
         # For the purpose of best training, learning rate should be adjusted according to the gradients # If gradients are small, learning rate should be larger, vice versa
         self.total_grad_w += np.square(dW)
         self.total_grad_b += np.square(db)
         self.weights -=
             dW * learning_rate / np.sqrt(self.total_grad_w + self.epsilon)
         self.bias -= db * learning_rate / np.sqrt(self.total_grad_b + self.epsilon)
     elif self.optimizer == "Momentum":
         self.v_weight = self.momentum * self.v_weight + dW * learning_rate
         self.v_bias = self.momentum * self.v_bias + db * learning_rate self.weights -= self.v_weight
         self.bias -= self.v_bias
     return np.dot(delta, self.weights.T) # Return delta for the previous layer
```

並在 Model 中對每一層 Layer 呼叫 backward function 實現 Back propagation

```
def backward(self, delta, learning_rate=0.01):
    # Backward pass
    for layer in reversed(self.layers):
        delta = layer.backward(delta, self.learning_rate)
```

#### **Extra Implementation**

• 支援多種 Optimizer,包括 SGD、Momentum、AdaGrad

Optimizer 的實作可參考上方圖片

- o SGD: 直接使用 Learning Rate 乘上梯度來更新 Weights
- 。 Momentum:透過累積梯度的速度向量  $(v_{weight}, v_{bias}), 幫助模型跳脫 Local \qquad v_t \leftarrow \beta V_{t-1} \eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial W}$  Mimimum 並讓收斂路徑更平滑。  $W \leftarrow W + V_t$
- Adagrad:根據以往累積的梯度平方和來動態調整 Learning Rate。當某些參數需要較大或較小的更新時特別有幫助。

$$\begin{split} W \leftarrow W - \eta \frac{1}{\sqrt{n + \epsilon}} \frac{\partial L}{\partial W} \\ n &= \sum_{r=1}^{t} (\frac{\partial L_r}{\partial W_r})^2 \\ W \leftarrow W - \eta \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{r=1}^{t} (\frac{\partial L_r}{\partial W_r})^2 + \epsilon}} \frac{\partial L}{\partial W} \end{split}$$

- 可調整參數如 Learning Rate、Hidden Layer 點數、Activation Functions 類型等
- 加入 Early stop 以保留最佳模型參數以及預測結果

```
if len(self.losses) > 0 and loss >= self.losses[-1]:
    # If the prediction of current model is worse than before
    cnt += 1
    # Skip the weight updating progress , keep the better weight of the model
    continue
else:
    # Reset the counting of early stop
    cnt = 0
    # Keep the best prediction
    output = cur_output
```

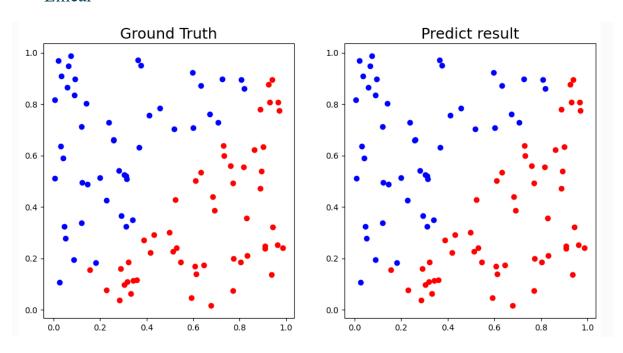
# **Experimental Results**

## Screenshot and comparison figure

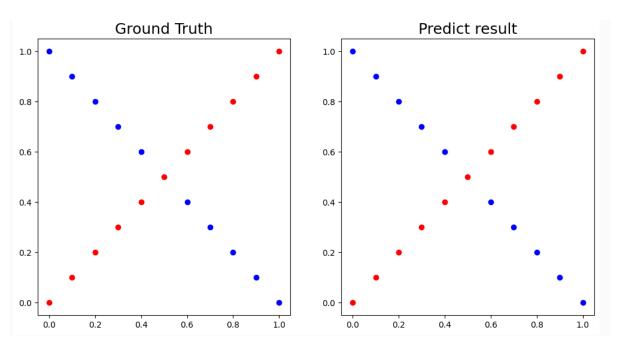
## Hyperparameters

Activation Function	Optimizer	Learning Rate	Hidden_Units	Epochs
sigmoid	Adagrad	0.01	10	200000

## Linear



## XOR



# Show the accuracy of your prediction

## Hyperparameters

Activation Function	Optimizer	Learning Rate	Hidden_Units	Epochs
sigmoid	Adagrad	0.01	10	200000

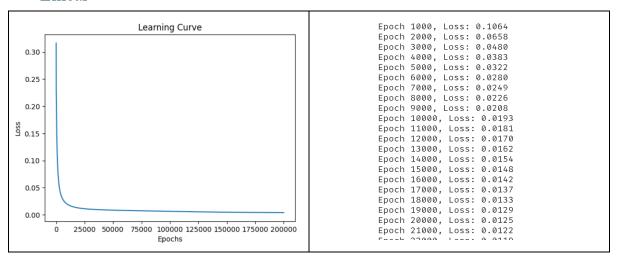
#### Linear Dataset

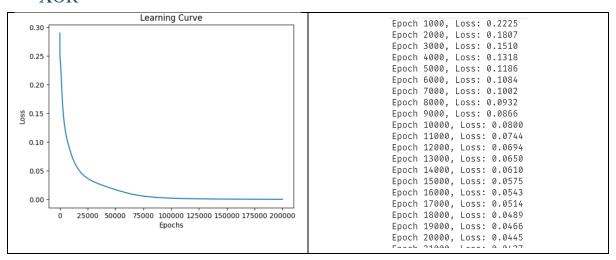
#### **XOR** Dataset

```
iterio i
               Ground Truth: [1] |
                                         rrealct: [U.95bU/U2b]
                                         Predict: [0.05239608]
Iter11 |
               Ground Truth: [0] |
               Ground Truth: [0]
                                         Predict: [0.02101065] |
Iter12 |
Iter13 |
               Ground Truth: [1]
                                         Predict: [0.9510509] |
               Ground Truth: [0]
                                         Predict: [0.00976467] |
Iter14
               Ground Truth: [1]
                                         Predict: [0.99983074] |
Iter15 |
               Ground Truth: [0]
                                         Predict: [0.0060062] |
Iter16 |
Iter17 |
               Ground Truth: [1]
                                         Predict: [0.99996463] |
Iter18 |
               Ground Truth: [0] |
                                         Predict: [0.00414463]
                                         Predict: [0.99997695]
Iter19 |
               Ground Truth: [1]
Iter20 |
               Ground Truth: [0]
                                         Predict: [0.00305483]
                                         Predict: [0.99997975] |
               Ground Truth: [1] |
Iter21 |
Loss = 0.0004 Accuracy = 100.00%
```

#### Learning curve (loss-epoch curve)

#### Linear





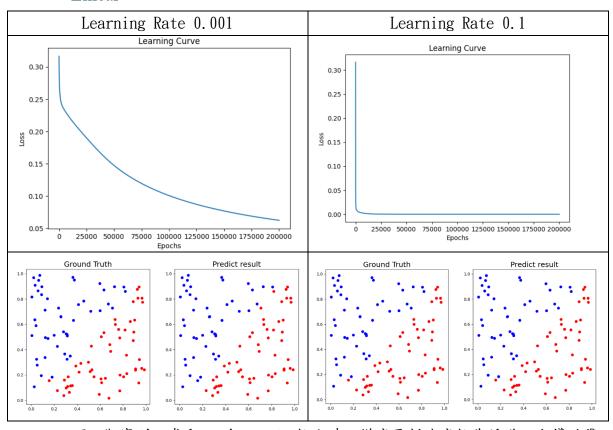
## **Discussions**

## Try different learning rates

#### Fixed Hyperparameters

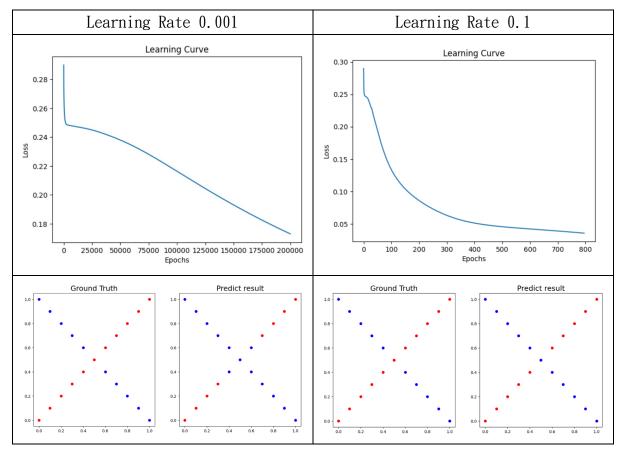
Activation Function	Optimizer	Hidden_Units	Epochs
sigmoid	Adagrad	10	200000

#### Linear



可以觀察到,當 learning\_rate 較小時,梯度更新速度較為緩滿,也導致準確率有些微下降的情況。learning\_rate 較大時,梯度更新速度會快上許多,準確率仍保持 100%。並且,在 Linear Dataset 中,learning rate 對準確率的影響並不大。

**XOR** 



在 XOR Dataset 中,learning rate 對於訓練的影響就相比 Linear 較為明顯,首先,同樣地,learning rate 對於 loss 的影響相同,learning rate 大,loss 下降速度較快而且較為陡峭,learning rate 小,loss 下降速度慢且平緩。顯著的是,在此 Dataset 中,小的 learning rate 相較於 learning rate 較大的值,擁有較差的準確率

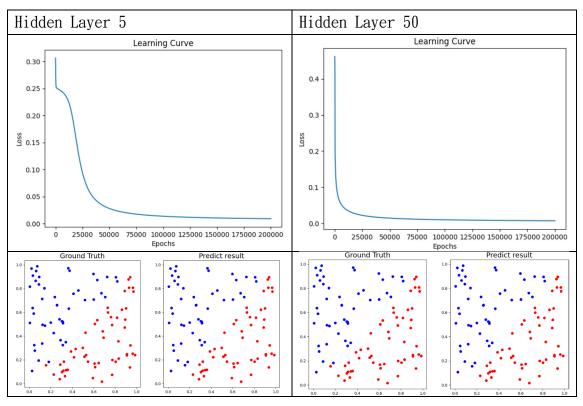
## Try different numbers of hidden units

#### Fixed Hyperparameters

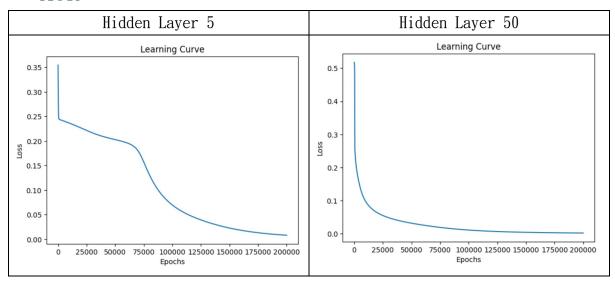
在這裡使用 SGD optimizer, 以觀察到更明顯的 loss 變化

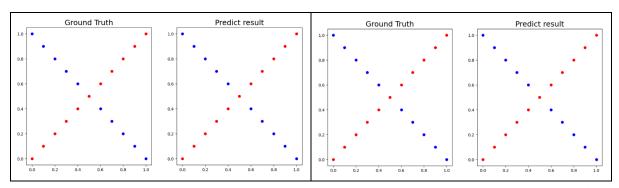
Activation Function	Optimizer	Learning Rate	Epochs
sigmoid	SGD	0.01	200000

#### Linear



在 Linear Dataset 中,模型準確率沒有明顯的差異,但是可以明顯感覺到 hidden\_layer 數增加時,訓練模型時間也明顯上升。再者,從 learning\_curve 可以 看出,當層數越多時,模型的 loss 下降也比較穩定且迅速。





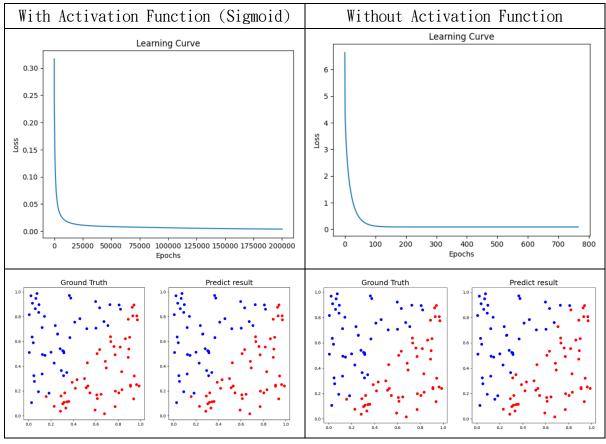
在 XOR Dataset 中,準確率在這兩種實驗 hidden layer 沒有明顯的差異,但可以看出較多的 hidden layer 對於模型訓練較為快速、穩定。

## Try without activation functions

#### Fixed Hyperparameters

Hidden Layer	Optimizer	Learning Rate	Epochs
10	Adagrad	0.01	200000

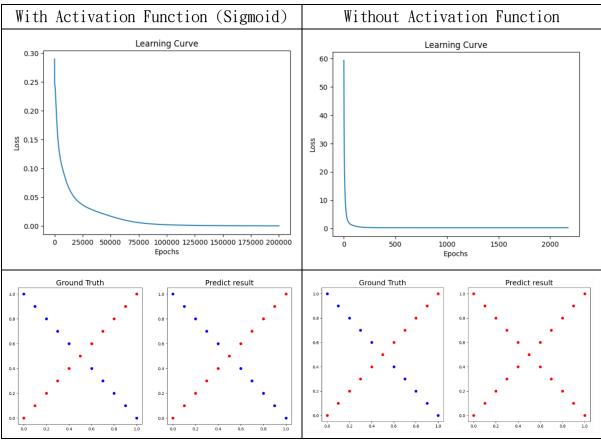
#### Linear



沒有 Activation Function 在 Linear Dataset 影響不大,但可以看出影響了 loss 值

大小,但經過的 epoch 數較多也能有不錯的訓練效果。相較於有 Activation Function,沒有使用 Activation Function 的準確率也下降了些許。

#### XOR



相較於 Linear Dataset, 有無 Activation Function 對於 XOR Dataset 的影響明顯提升,沒有 Activation Function 基本上 Train 不了 model。

#### Extra Implementation Discussions

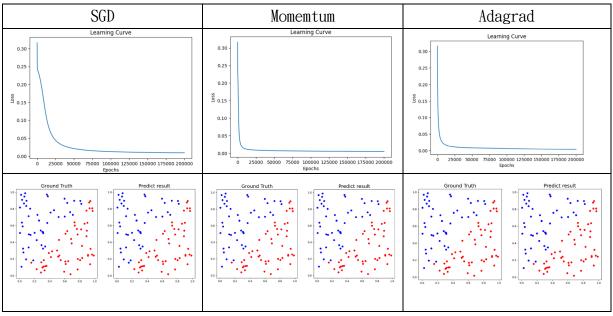
## Try different optimizers

除了一般的 SGD, 在本次作業中我額外實作了 Adagrad 以及 Momentum, 下面會比較使用其他 optimizer 對於訓練的影響

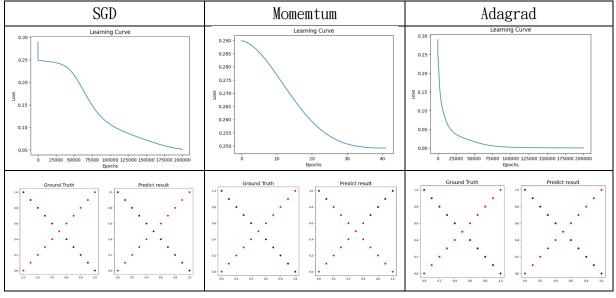
Fixed Hyperparameters

Hidden Layer	Activation Function	Learning Rate	Epochs
10	Sigmoid	0.01	200000

#### Linear



Optimizer 對於 Linear Dataset 的準確率沒有太大的影響,但可以看出與其使用單純的 SGD,其他兩者的 Loss 下降速度較快。



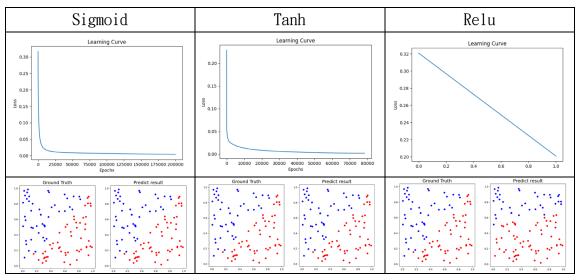
Optimizer 對於 XOR Dataset 的影響較大,除了影響 loss 下降幅度較大,同時也影響了準確率,在此實驗 Adagrad 擁有較好的訓練效果

## Try different activation functions

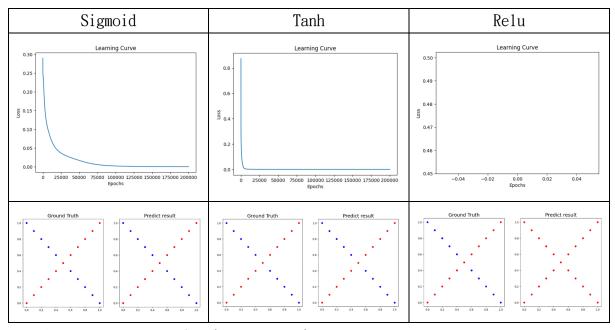
## Fixed Hyperparameters

Hidden Layer	Optimizer	Learning Rate	Epochs
10	Adagrad	0.01	200000

#### Linear



可以觀察到使用 tanh 和 sigmoid 訓練效果均不錯,使用 relu 反而無法訓練 Model。



與Linear Dataset 差不多,但Relu基本上完全Train不了Mode

## **Questions**

#### A. What are the purposes of activation functions?

使得訓練出來的模型不會只是線性函數,使用可微分的 activation function,可以經由多層神經元的疊加產生非線性效果,使神經網路能夠逼近複雜的實際數據分布,解決更困難的分類或回歸問題。

#### B. What if the learning rate is too large or too small?

當 learning rate 太小時,參數更新幅度太小,導致訓練速度非常緩慢,可能 需要非常多次迭代才能收斂。

當 learning rate 太大時,參數更新幅度過大,可能導致 loss 函數震盪甚至 發散,無法收斂到最小值。

### C. What are the purposes of weights and biases in a neural network?

Weight 決定神經元之間的連結的強度並控制輸入對於輸出的影響程度, Bias 能夠移動 Activation Functions, 增加模型的靈活性, 兩者都能調整模型函數的形狀以 Fitting 實際數據分布。

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