

Derivation of BP Algorithm

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1 Derivation

1.1 Cost function

$$\begin{aligned} J(W, b) &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m J(W, b; x, y) \\ J(W, b; x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} \|h_{W,b}(x) - y\|^2 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

1.2 Computation of δ

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_i^{(n_l)} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^{(n_l)}} J(W, b; x, y) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^{(n_l)}} \frac{1}{2} \|h_{W,b}(x) - y\|^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^{(n_l)}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s_{n_l}} (f(z_j^{(n_l)}) - y_j)^2 \\ &= (f(z_i^{(n_l)}) - y_i) f'(z_i^{(n_l)}) \\ &= -f'(z_i^{(n_l)}) (y_i - f(z_i^{(n_l)})) \\ \delta^{(n_l)} &= -(y - a^{(n_l)}) \circ f'(z^{(n_l)}) \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_i^{(l)} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j^{(l+1)}} J(W, b; x, y) \frac{\partial z_j^{(l+1)}}{\partial z_i^{(l)}} \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} \delta_j^{(l+1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i^{(l)}} \sum_{k=1}^{s_l} (W_{jk}^{(l)} f(z_k^{(l)})) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} \delta_j^{(l+1)} W_{ji}^{(l)} f'(z_i^{(l)}) \\
&= f'(z_i^{(l)}) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{s_{l+1}} \delta_j^{(l+1)} W_{ji}^{(l)} \right) \\
\delta^{(l)} &= ((W^{(l)})^T \delta^{(l+1)}) \circ f'(z^{(l)}) \tag{5}
\end{aligned}$$

1.3 Derivative wrt \mathbf{W}

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial W_{ij}^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) &= \sum_{k=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k^{(l+1)}} J(W, b; x, y) \frac{\partial z_k^{(l+1)}}{\partial W_{ij}^{(l)}} \\
&= \delta_i^{(l+1)} a_j^{(l)} \tag{6}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_{W^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) = \delta^{(l+1)} (a^{(l)})^T \tag{7}$$

1.4 Derivative wrt \mathbf{b}

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial b_i^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) &= \sum_{k=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k^{(l+1)}} J(W, b; x, y) \frac{\partial z_k^{(l+1)}}{\partial b_i^{(l)}} \\
&= \delta_i^{(l+1)} \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_{b^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) = \delta^{(l+1)} \tag{9}$$

2 Conclusion

$$\delta^{(n_l)} = -(y - a^{(n_l)}) \circ f'(z^{(n_l)}) \tag{10}$$

$$\delta^{(l)} = ((W^{(l)})^T \delta^{(l+1)}) \circ f'(z^{(l)}) \tag{11}$$

$$\nabla_{W^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) = \delta^{(l+1)} (a^{(l)})^T \tag{12}$$

$$\nabla_{b^{(l)}} J(W, b; x, y) = \delta^{(l+1)} \tag{13}$$