

# Practice Feed-forward Nets

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## 1 Tensor Flow Introduction

Install `tensorflow` for CPU/GPU depending on your hardware. Follow the low-level API tutorial here: [https://www.tensorflow.org/programmers\\_guide/low\\_level\\_intro](https://www.tensorflow.org/programmers_guide/low_level_intro).

## 2 Learning to XOR

In this example, we want to replicate the network from section 6.1. in the book. Using the code from the previous problem as a starting point do the following:

- Modify the input data and ground truth labels to hold the four data points for XOR on vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- Add one hidden layer to the model, with a ReLU activation function. Consult the API at [https://www.tensorflow.org/api\\_docs/python/](https://www.tensorflow.org/api_docs/python/).
- Train the network. How many iterations does it take to converge and what weights / biases do you converge to?
- (optional) Add tensorboard visualization for the graph and the loss. See [https://www.tensorflow.org/programmers\\_guide/summaries\\_and\\_tensorboard](https://www.tensorflow.org/programmers_guide/summaries_and_tensorboard).
- Try adding units to the hidden layer. How is the performance affected? What if you add more layers?
- Try different optimizers (Adagrad and Adam) and different learning rates.
- (optional) What if you use a different activation function?
- (optional) What happens when your input vector is in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

### 3 Classification

Try out the tutorial on high-level TF API for feed-forward classification: [https://www.tensorflow.org/get\\_started/premade\\_estimators](https://www.tensorflow.org/get_started/premade_estimators).