

## NNs MATH

*NOTE : I am trying to teach myself a NN from scratch using just maths, and deepen my understanding of it from fundamental layer and this is what my basic understanding is, which might be (and I am sure in ways is) wrong, but feel free to use this if it helps*

### 1) Defining a mathematical Perceptron :

*Let our inputs be  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, \dots, x_n$*

*And our output be  $y$*

*Now our Perceptron's value will be :*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i * w_i + b_i$$

*Then we apply the non linearity to it, we choose ReLu here*

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \text{Max}(0, x) = \text{ReLu}(x)$$

*After applying non Linearity :*

$$\text{ReLu} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i * w_i + b_i \right)$$

*Why do we need a non linear activation function?*

*Because the data is complex! And not necessarily always linear, we use the linear functions as legos to build a complex non linear function*

### 2) A Neural network is just a multi Layer Perceptron (NNs $\rightarrow$ MLP)

*Where  $n(x)$  represent the number of input layers*

*and then we can basically have arbitrary number of layers and depth to it  
any layer that is not an input layer, or an output layer is a hidden layer*

*The more hidden layers the more Activation functions we can have and  
basically more legos to make a more complex curve.*

*Basically*

*Number of Layers  $\propto$  Complexity of curve*

*Now for each perceptron we have the calculations referenced in (1)*

*therefore we represent them using matrices, cause that helps us ease the calculations  
and visualize them simply*

*for each perceptron in a layer we calculate  $z_i$  (where  $i$  is in  
range (1, total perceptrons in layer))*

$$\begin{pmatrix} x1 \\ x2 \\ x3 \\ \vdots \\ xn \end{pmatrix} * \begin{pmatrix} w1 & w2 & w3 & \dots & wn \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b1 \\ b2 \\ b3 \\ \vdots \\ bn \end{pmatrix} = z_i$$

*Then we apply the activation function*

*ReLU( $z_i$ )*

*and we repeat this process for each perceptron of each layer until we reach  
the output nodes*

*Also a good way to visualize how different ReLus form a complex curve it to think of each  
ReLU output from previous layer as the input for next Layer and when we finally  
add them, we basically get the curve using the principle of super position!*

*The key idea is super position of inputs from previous layers*

*watch StatQuest's video on activation function to visualize this better*

### 3) Complexity of a n dimensional curve :

*now for a simplified example lets say we are construting a linear function to determine the price of a house (y)*

*here x1 is out input say the area of the house*

*so we take data points and plot them on a graph*

*and try to minimize the loss :*

*the loss is equivalent to :*

$$\text{Average Loss} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - p(x_i))^2 \right) / n = AL$$

*here  $p(x_i)$  represents the predicted value on the linear line*

*and now we want to minimize the Average Loss function*

TO BE CONTINUED....

