

**MACHINE LEARNING**

**PART 31**

# Optimization Algorithms in machine learning

Optimization algorithms play a crucial role in training machine learning models by iteratively **updating the model parameters to minimize a certain objective function**, often referred to as the loss or cost function.

Here are some key optimization algorithms used in machine learning:

# Gradient Descent

## Basic Idea:

- Update model parameters in the opposite direction of the gradient of the loss function with respect to the parameters.

## Variants:

- Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD): Updates parameters using a single random data point at a time.
- Mini-Batch Gradient Descent: Updates parameters using a small batch of randomly selected data points.

# Momentum

## Idea:

- Introduces a momentum term to prevent oscillations and speed up convergence.

## Update Rule:

- $v = \beta \cdot v - \alpha \cdot \nabla J(\theta)$
- $\theta = \theta + v$

## Hyperparameter $\beta$ :

- Controls the contribution of the previous update to the current update.

# Adagrad

## Idea:

- Adjusts the learning rates of each parameter individually based on the historical gradient information.

## Update Rule:

- $\theta = \theta - (\alpha / \text{root}(G + \epsilon)) \cdot \nabla J(\theta)$

## Accumulated Squared Gradients G:

- Keeps track of the sum of the squares of the gradients.

# RMSprop

## Idea:

- Addresses the diminishing learning rates problem of Adagrad by using a moving average of squared gradients.

## Update Rule:

- $\theta = \theta - (\alpha / \text{root}(E[G] + \epsilon)) \cdot \nabla J(\theta)$

## Exponential Moving Average E[G]:

- A moving average of squared gradients.

# Adam

## Combines Momentum and RMSprop:

- Utilizes both momentum-based updates and adaptive learning rates.

## Update Rule:

- $m = \beta_1 \cdot m + (1 - \beta_1) \cdot \nabla J(\theta)$
- $v = \beta_2 \cdot v + (1 - \beta_2) \cdot (\nabla J(\theta))^2$
- $\theta = \theta - (\alpha / \text{root}(v + \epsilon)) \cdot m$

## Hyperparameters $\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$ :

- Control the decay rates of the moment estimates.

# AdaDelta

## Idea:

- Addresses the accumulation of squared gradients issue in RMSprop by using a more sophisticated update rule.

## Update Rule:

- $\theta = \theta - (\text{root}(E[G] + \epsilon) / \text{root}(E[\Delta\theta] + \epsilon)) \cdot \nabla J(\theta)$

## Exponential Moving Average of Squared Parameter Updates $E[\Delta\theta]$ :

- A moving average of squared parameter updates.

# Nadam

**Combines Nesterov Accelerated Gradient (NAG) with Adam:**

- *Incorporates NAG's momentum term into Adam.*

**Update Rule:**

- *Similar to Adam, but with Nesterov momentum.*

## Adapting Learning Rate Schedules

**Learning Rate Schedulers:**

- *Techniques that dynamically adjust the learning rate during training.*

**Examples:**

- *Step Decay: Reduce the learning rate after a fixed number of epochs.*
- *Exponential Decay: Reduce the learning rate exponentially over time.*