

# Homework

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## Question:

Given overall network function:

$$y_k(x, m) = f\left(\sum_{j=0}^M w_{kj}^{(2)} h\left(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i\right)\right)$$

and cross-entropy error function for the multiclass classification problem:

$$E(w) = -\sum_{k=1}^K t_k \ln y_k$$

$t_k = (0, 1)^K$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^K t_k = 1$ ,  $f(z_k) = \frac{\exp(z_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)}$  is softmax function,  $h(a) = \tanh(a) = \frac{\exp(a) - \exp(-a)}{\exp(a) + \exp(-a)}$ .

Compute the derivatives of error function w.r.t the first-layer and second-layer weights with back propagation.

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ji}^{(1)}} \text{ and } \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{kj}^{(2)}}$$

## Answer :

- Derivative of Softmax

$$\frac{\partial f(z_j)}{\partial z_k} = \frac{\partial \frac{\exp(z_j)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)}}{\partial z_k}$$

If  $k = j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f(z_j)}{\partial z_k} &= \frac{\partial \frac{\exp(z_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)}}{\partial z_k} \\ &= \frac{\exp(z_k) \cdot \sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l) - \exp^2(z_k)}{(\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l))^2} \\ &= \frac{\exp(z_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\exp(z_k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)}\right) \\ &= f(z_k) \cdot (1 - f(z_k)) \end{aligned}$$

If  $k \neq j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial f(z_j)}{\partial z_k} &= \frac{\partial \frac{\exp(z_j)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l)}}{\partial z_k} \\
&= \frac{-\exp(z_j) \cdot \exp(z_k)}{(\sum_{l=1}^K \exp(z_l))^2} \\
&= -f(z_j) \cdot f(z_k)
\end{aligned}$$

So the derivative of the softmax function is given as,

$$\frac{\partial f(z_j)}{\partial z_k} = \begin{cases} f(z_k) \cdot (1 - f(z_k)), & \text{if } k = j \\ -f(z_k) \cdot f(z_j), & \text{if } k \neq j \end{cases}$$

- Derivative of Cross Entropy Loss with Softmax

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E}{\partial z_k} &= \sum_{l=1}^K \frac{\partial E}{\partial f(z_l)} \times \frac{\partial f(z_l)}{\partial z_k} \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^K \frac{\partial (-\sum_{k=1}^K t_k \ln(f(z_l)))}{\partial f(z_l)} \times \frac{\partial f(z_l)}{\partial z_k} \\
&= -\sum_{l=1}^K t_l \frac{1}{f(z_l)} \times \frac{\partial f(z_l)}{\partial z_k} \\
&= -t_k \cdot \frac{1}{f(z_k)} \cdot f(z_k)(1 - f(z_k)) - \sum_{l \neq k} t_l \frac{1}{f(z_l)} (-f(z_k) \cdot f(z_l)) \\
&= -t_k(1 - f(z_k)) + \sum_{l \neq k} t_l \cdot f(z_k) \\
&= \sum_{l=1}^K t_l \cdot f(z_l) - t_k
\end{aligned}$$

$t$  is a one hot encoded vector for the labels, so  $\sum_l t_l = 1$ . So we have,

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial z_k} = f(z_k) - t_k$$

- Derivative of  $w_{kj}^{(2)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{kj}^{(2)}} &= \frac{\partial E}{\partial z_k} \times \frac{\partial z_k}{\partial w_{kj}^{(2)}} \\
&= (f(z_k) - t_k) \cdot h\left(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i\right) \\
&= (y_k - t_k) \cdot h\left(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i\right)
\end{aligned}$$

- Derivative of  $w_{ji}^{(1)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ji}^{(1)}} &= \sum_k^K \frac{\partial E}{\partial z_k} \times \frac{\partial z_k}{\partial h(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)} \times \frac{\partial h(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)}{\partial w_{ji}^{(1)}} \\
&= \sum_k^K (f(z_k) - t_k) \cdot w_{kj}^{(2)} \cdot (1 - h^2(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)) \cdot x_i \\
&= \sum_k^K (y_k - t_k) \cdot w_{kj}^{(2)} \cdot (1 - h^2(\sum_{i=0}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i)) \cdot x_i
\end{aligned}$$