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# Class CurvatureMatrixVectorProductComputer

Defined in tensorflow/contrib/kfac/python/ops/curvature\_matrix\_vector\_products.py.

Class for computing matrix-vector products for Fishers, GGNs and Hessians.

In other words we compute Mv where M is the matrix, v is the vector, and refers to standard matrix/vector multiplication (not element-wise multiplication).

The matrices are defined in terms of some differential quantity of the total loss function with respect to a provided list of tensors ("wrt\_tensors"). For example, the Fisher associated with a log-prob loss w.r.t. the parameters.

The vecs argument to each method are lists of tensors that must be the size as the corresponding ones from "wrt\_tensors". They represent the vector being multiplied.

"factors" of the matrix M are defined as matrices B such that B\*B^T = M. Methods that multiply by the factor B take a "loss\_inner\_vecs" argument instead of vecs, which must be a list of tensors with shapes given by the corresponding XXX\_inner\_shapes property.

Note that matrix-vector products are not normalized by the batch size, nor are any damping terms added to the results. These things can be easily applied externally, if desired.

See for example: www.cs.utoronto.ca/~jmartens/docs/HF\_book\_chapter.pdf and https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.1193 for more information about the generalized Gauss-Newton, Fisher, etc., and how to compute matrix-vector products.

# **Properties**

#### fisher\_factor\_inner\_shapes

Shapes required by multiply\_fisher\_factor.

#### generalized\_gauss\_newton\_factor\_inner\_shapes

Shapes required by multiply\_generalized\_gauss\_newton\_factor.

# Methods

```
__init__(
   losses,
   wrt_tensors
)
```

Create a CurvatureMatrixVectorProductComputer object.

### Args:

- losses: A list of LossFunction instances whose sum defines the total loss.
- wrt\_tensors: A list of Tensors to compute the differential quantities defining the matrices with respect to (see class description).

#### multiply\_fisher

```
multiply_fisher(vecs)
```

Multiply vecs by Fisher of total loss.

# multiply\_fisher\_factor

```
multiply_fisher_factor(loss_inner_vecs)
```

Multiply loss\_inner\_vecs by factor of Fisher of total loss.

# multiply\_fisher\_factor\_transpose

```
multiply_fisher_factor_transpose(vecs)
```

Multiply vecs by transpose of factor of Fisher of total loss.

#### multiply\_generalized\_gauss\_newton

```
multiply_generalized_gauss_newton(vecs)
```

Multiply vecs by generalized Gauss-Newton of total loss.

# multiply\_generalized\_gauss\_newton\_factor

```
multiply_generalized_gauss_newton_factor(loss_inner_vecs)
```

Multiply loss\_inner\_vecs by factor of GGN of total loss.

#### multiply\_generalized\_gauss\_newton\_factor\_transpose

```
multiply_generalized_gauss_newton_factor_transpose(vecs)
```

Multiply vecs by transpose of factor of GGN of total loss.

#### multiply\_hessian

multiply\_hessian(vecs)

Multiply vecs by Hessian of total loss.

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