

Statistics and Artificial Intelligence

Lecture 11: Getting Started with Neural Networks

Yixin Wang

Roadmap for Today

Last 2 lectures on
shallow neural nets
this week

- JiTT
- Open the blackbox: How do the calculation/vectorization translate into code?
- Getting Started with NNs: End-to-end examples

JiTT

JiTT

one layer

weight = input
output

bias = outputs

This question is based on the following neural network:

```
model = keras.Sequential([  
    layers.Dense(3, activation="relu", input_shape=(2,)),  
    layers.Dense(1),  
])
```

$$(2 \times 3) + 3 = 9$$
$$(3 \times 1) + 1 = 4$$
$$= 13$$

Q3.1 Parameter Counts

1 Point

How many model parameters does the neural network have?

13

Q3.2 Number of outputs

1 Point

How many outputs does the network generate per sample?

☒ 1

☐ 2

☐ 3

☐ 6

☐ 7

JiTT

inputs
↳ intermediate calculations
↳ final output

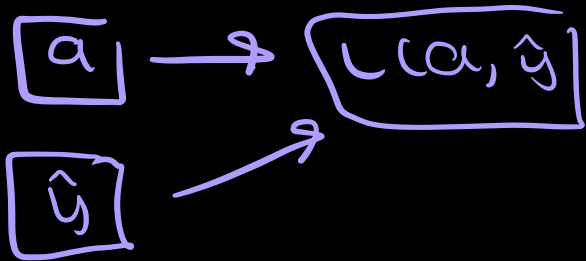
Q4 Role of Computational Graphs

1 Point

True or false: A computation graph contains sufficient information to determine how many computational resources are needed to fit a neural network.

☐ True

☒ False



Graph isn't about computational resource

↓

Same program can run faster or slower if its done via vectorization or a for loop

Graph shows us operations needed to get what we want

Q5 Tensorflow Tensors

1 Point

True or false: Tensorflow tensors are mutable:

☐ True

☒ False

NP arrays are mutable

If variables are
mutable, but

tensors are immutable

Q6 Sigmoid Function

1 Point

Consider the standard logistic function (also called the sigmoid function):

$$f(x) = \frac{\exp(x)}{1 + \exp(x)}$$

Which of the following statements are true (select all that apply)?

☒ f is monotonic

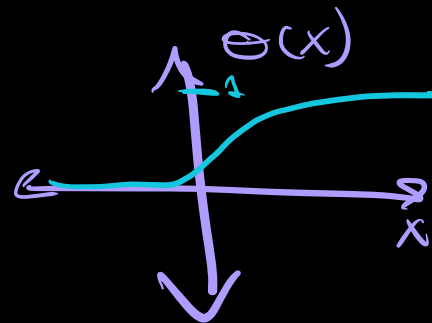
☐ f is decreasing

☐ $f(1/2) = 0$

☒ f is differentiable for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

☒ $f(x) + f(-x) = 1$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

☐ f tends to 0 as x approaches ∞



$$\theta(x) = \frac{\exp(x)}{1 + \exp(x)}$$

monotonic: larger $x \rightarrow$
larger $\theta(x)$
smaller $x \rightarrow$
smaller $\theta(x)$

$$f(x) + f(-x)$$

$$\frac{\exp(x)}{1 + \exp(x)} + \frac{\exp(x) \cdot \exp(x)}{1 + \exp(-x) \cdot \exp(x)}$$

$$\frac{\exp(x)}{1 + \exp(x)} + \frac{1}{\exp(x) + 1}$$

Function is symmetric

Open the black box of
Sequential()

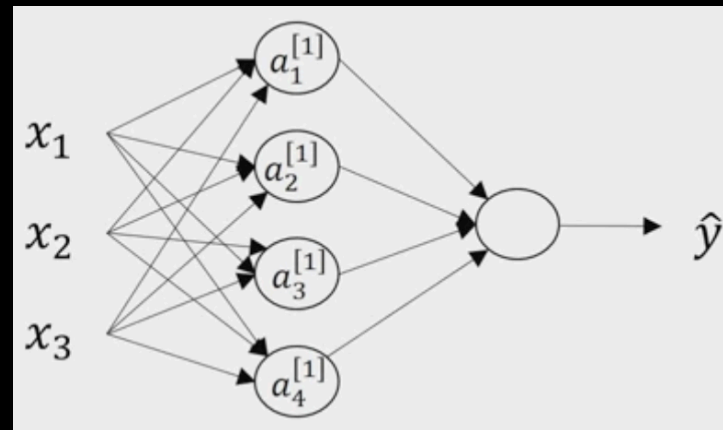
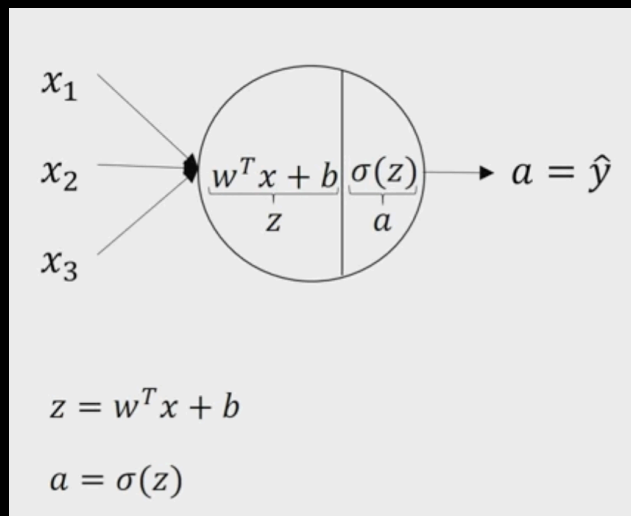
Computing a Neural Network's Output

each neuron does
same computation
→ apply activation

- Logistic Regression

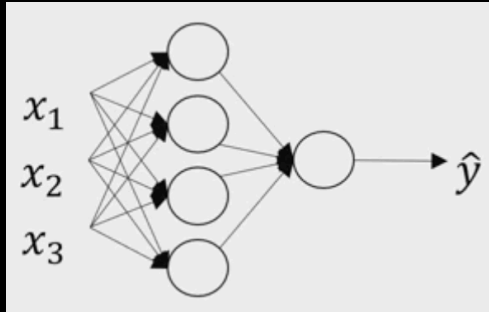
vs

Neural Network



(Vectorized) Forward Pass and Backward Pass

Backward pass is also known as backpropagation.



output
is input
to next
layer

Forward Pass

$$\begin{aligned} Z^{[1]} &= W^{[1]}X + b^{[1]} \\ A^{[1]} &= \sigma(Z^{[1]}) \\ Z^{[2]} &= W^{[2]}A^{[1]} + b^{[2]} \\ A^{[2]} &= \sigma(Z^{[2]}) \end{aligned}$$

Organize everything
into matrices

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & | \\ x^{(1)} & x^{(2)} & \dots & x^{(m)} \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$
$$A^{[1]} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & | \\ a^{1} & a^{[1](2)} & \dots & a^{[1](m)} \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

Backward Pass

$$\begin{aligned} dz^{[2]} &= a^{[2]} - y \\ dW^{[2]} &= dz^{[2]}a^{[1]T} \\ db^{[2]} &= dz^{[2]} \\ dz^{[1]} &= W^{[2]T}dz^{[2]} * g^{[1]'}(z^{[1]}) \\ dW^{[1]} &= dz^{[1]}x^T \\ db^{[1]} &= dz^{[1]} \end{aligned}$$

How does it relate to the code we wrote?

- This is what happens under the hood of `model.compile()`, `model.fit()`, etc
- You will need to implement it if you need to work with a customized neural network with special activation or layer structures.
- https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1t2cobScOH7GUpSmglhQ9kg_clpvl4leM?usp=sharing

code demo

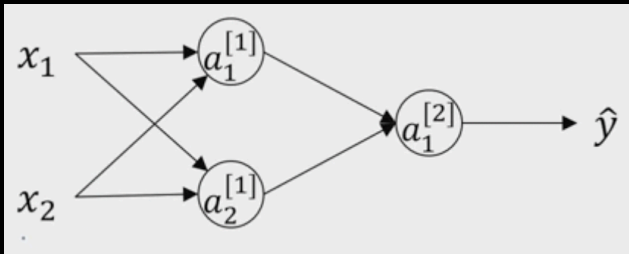
Homework will be going through
Custom neural nets

Look at batches of data points

Random Initialization

What happens if you initialize weights to zero

- All hidden units will be computing the same function due to symmetry.
- There will be no point to have multiple hidden units.
- Must perform random initialization.



All nodes calculated the same
→ all gradient calculations will be symmetric
→ as if we only have 1 neuron

Getting Started with NNs: End-to-end Examples

Getting Started with NN

end-to-end examples

- MNIST
 - <https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1Z3K-49NoflTiyzK65fXHhFYb6dT3SID7?usp=sharing>
- IMDB
 - <https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1MC4ngpTT5ulpyTunCWr3c-huaGdwqhqd?usp=sharing>
- Boston Housing
 - https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1CW9gKd-wCEFy_PWVg8wr82ChL6U5QdCC?usp=sharing

How does neural network training vary with the parameters?

- playground.tensorflow.org

The materials in this course are adapted from materials created by Alexander Amini, Alfredo Canziani, Justin Johnson, Andrew Ng, Bhiksha Raj, Grant Sanderson and the 3blue1brown channel, Rita Singh, Ava Soleimany, and Ambuj Tewari.