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Single Layer Perceptron

- Perceptrons can only learn linear decision boundaries.
- Many problems have non-linear boundaries.
- One solution is to connect perceptrons to form a network.

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Multi-Layer Perceptron

• The output of a perceptron can be the input of another.

$$a = g\left(w^{T}x + b\right)$$
$$a' = g\left(w'^{T}a + b'\right)$$
$$a'' = g\left(w''^{T}a' + b''\right)$$
$$\hat{y} = \mathbb{1}_{\{a''>0\}}$$

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Learning XOR Operator, Part 1 Motivation

• XOR cannot be modeled by a single perceptron.

<i>x</i> ₁	<i>x</i> ₂	y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

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Learning XOR Operator, Part 2 Motivation

- OR, AND, NOT AND can be modeled by perceptrons.
- If the outputs of OR and NOT AND is used as inputs for AND, then the output of the network will be XOR.

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Neural Network Biology

- Human brain: 100,000,000,000 neurons.
- Each neuron receives input from 1,000 others.
- An impulse can either increase or decrease the possibility of nerve pulse firing.
- If sufficiently strong, a nerve pulse is generated.
- The pulse forms the input to other neurons.

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Theory of Neural Network

- In theory:
- I Hidden-layer with enough hidden units can represent any continuous function of the inputs with arbitrary accuracy.
- 2 Hidden-layer can represent discontinuous functions.
 - In practice:
- AlexNet: 8 layers.
- GoogLeNet: 27 layers (or 22 + pooling).
- 8 ResNet: 152 layers.

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Neural Network Examples

- Classification tasks.
- Approximate functions.
- Store functions (after midterm).

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Gradient Descent

- The derivatives are more difficult to compute.
- The problem is no longer convex. A local minimum is no longer guaranteed to be a global minimum.
- Need to use chain rule between layers called backpropagation.

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Backpropagation Description

- Initialize random weights.
- (Feedforward Step) Evaluate the activation functions.
- (Backpropagation Step) Compute the gradient of the cost function with respect to each weight and bias using the chain rule.
- Update the weights and biases using gradient descent.
- Repeat until convergent.

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Cost Function

• For simplicity, assume there are only two layers (one hidden layer), and g is the sigmoid function for this lecture.

$$g'(z) = g(z)(1 - g(z))$$

• Let the output in the second layer be *a_i* for instance *x_i*, then cost function is the squared error,

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - a_i)^2$$

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Interal Activations

• Let the output in the first layer be $a_{ij}^{(1)}, j = 1, 2, ..., m^{(1)}$.

$$a_i = g(z_i)$$

 $z_i = \sum_{j=1}^{m^{(1)}} a_{ij}^{(1)} w_j^{(2)} + b^{(2)}$

• Let the input in the zeroth layer be x_{ij} , j = 1, 2, ..., m.

$$\begin{aligned} a_{ij}^{(1)} &= g\left(z_{ij}^{(1)}\right) \\ z_{ij}^{(1)} &= \sum_{j'=1}^{m} x_{ij'} w_{j'j}^{(1)} + b_{j}^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

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Notations Definition

- $a_{ij}^{(I)}$ is the hidden unit activation of instance *i* in layer *I*, unit *j*
- $z_{ij}^{(I)}$ is the linear part of instance *i* in layer *I*, unit *j*
- $w_{j'j}^{(l)}$ is the weights between layers l-1 and l, from unit j' in layer l-1 to unit j in layer l.
- $b_i^{(I)}$ is the bias for layer I unit j.
- $m^{(I)}$ is the number of units in layer I.
- Superscript *I* is omitted for the last layer.

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Required Gradients

• The derivatives that are required for the gradient descents are the following.

 $\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(1)}}, j &= 1, 2, ..., m^{(1)}, j' = 1, 2, ..., m\\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial b_j^{(1)}}, j &= 1, 2, ..., m^{(1)}\\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_j^{(2)}}, j &= 1, 2, ..., m^{(1)}\\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial b_j^{(2)}} \end{aligned}$

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Gradients of Second Layer

• Apply chain rule once to get the gradients for the second layer.

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_j^{(2)}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial w_j^{(2)}}, j = 1, 2, ..., m^{(1)}$$
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial b^{(2)}} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial b^{(2)}}$$

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Gradients of First Layer

• Chain rule twice says,

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(1)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}} \frac{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}} \frac{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(1)}}$$
$$j = 1, 2, \dots, m^{(1)}, j' = 1, 2, \dots, m$$
$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial b_j^{(1)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}} \frac{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}} \frac{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial b_j^{(1)}}$$
$$j = 1, 2, \dots, m^{(1)}$$

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Derivative of Error

• Compute the derivative of the error function.

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - a_i)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial C}{\partial a_i} = a_i - y_i$$

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Derivative of Interal Outputs, Part 1 Definition

• Compute the derivative of the output in the second layer.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_{i} &= g\left(z_{i}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial a_{i}}{\partial z_{i}} &= g\left(z_{i}\right)\left(1 - g\left(z_{i}\right)\right) = a_{i}\left(1 - a_{i}\right) \\ z_{i} &= \sum_{j=1}^{m^{(1)}} a_{ij}^{(1)} w_{j}^{(2)} + b^{(2)} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial z_{i}}{\partial w_{j}^{(2)}} &= a_{ij}^{(1)}, \frac{\partial z_{i}}{\partial b^{(2)}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Derivative of Internal Outputs, Part 2 Definition

• Compute the derivative of the output in the first layer.

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$$\begin{aligned} a_{ij}^{(1)} &= g\left(z_{ij}^{(1)}\right) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}} = g\left(z_{ij}^{(1)}\right) \left(1 - g\left(z_{ij}^{(1)}\right)\right) = a_{ij}^{(1)} \left(1 - a_{ij}^{(1)}\right) \\ z_{ij}^{(1)} &= \sum_{j'=1}^{m} x_{ij}' w_{j'j}^{(1)} + b_{j}^{(1)} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(1)}} = x_{ij'}, \frac{\partial z_{ij}^{(1)}}{\partial b_{j}^{(1)}} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Derivative of Internal Outputs, Part 3 Definition

• Compute the derivative between the outputs.

$$z_i = \sum_{j=1}^{m^{(1)}} a_{ij}^{(1)} w_j^{(2)} + b^{(2)}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial a_{ij}^{(1)}} = w_j^{(2)}$$

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Gradient Step, Combined Definition

• Put everything back into the chain rule formula. (Please check for typos!)

 $\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{iji}^{(1)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i - y_i) a_i (1 - a_i) w_j^{(2)} a_{ij}^{(1)} \left(1 - a_{ij}^{(1)}\right) x_{ij'}$ $\frac{\partial C}{\partial b_i^{(1)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{''} (a_i - y_i) a_i (1 - a_i) w_j^{(2)} a_{ij}^{(1)} \left(1 - a_{ij}^{(1)}\right)$ $\frac{\partial C}{\partial w_i^{(2)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{\prime\prime} \left(a_i - y_i \right) a_i \left(1 - a_i \right) a_{ij}^{(1)}$ $\frac{\partial C}{\partial b^{(2)}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (a_i - y_i) a_i (1 - a_i)$

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Gradient Descent Step

• The gradient descent step is the same as the one for logistic regression.

$$\begin{split} w_{j}^{(2)} &\leftarrow w_{j}^{(2)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j}^{(2)}}, j = 1, 2,, m^{(1)} \\ b^{(2)} &\leftarrow b^{(2)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial b^{(2)}}, \\ w_{j'j}^{(1)} &\leftarrow w_{j'j}^{(1)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(1)}}, j' = 1, 2,, m, j = 1, 2,, m^{(1)} \\ b_{j}^{(1)} &\leftarrow b_{j}^{(1)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial b_{j}^{(1)}}, j = 1, 2,, m^{(1)} \end{split}$$

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Backpropogation, Part 1 Algorithm

- Inputs: instances: $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$ and $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^n$, number of hidden layers L with units $m^{(1)}, m^{(2)}, \dots, m^{(L-1)}$, with $m^{(0)} = m, m^{(L)} = 1$, and activation function g is the sigmoid function.
- Outputs: weights and biases: $w_{j'j}^{(l)}, b_j^{(l)}, j' = 1, 2, ..., m^{(l-1)}, j = 1, 2, ..., m^{(l)}, l = 1, 2, ..., L$
- Initialize the weights.

$$w_{j'j}^{(I)}, b_j^{(I)} \sim$$
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Backpropagation, Part 2

• Evaluate the activation functions.

$$a_{i} = g \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m^{(L-1)}} a_{ij}^{(L-1)} w_{j}^{(L)} + b^{(L)} \right)$$
$$a_{ij}^{(l)} = g \left(\sum_{j'=1}^{m^{(l-1)}} a_{ij'}^{(l-1)} w_{j'j}^{(l)} + b_{j}^{(l)} \right), l = 1, 2, ..., L - 1$$
$$a_{ij}^{(0)} = x_{ij}$$

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Backpropagation, Part 3 Algorithm

 $\bullet\,$ Compute the δ to simplify the expression of the gradient.

$$\delta_{i}^{(L)} = (a_{i} - y_{i}) a_{i} (1 - a_{i})$$

$$\delta_{ij}^{(I)} = \sum_{j'=1}^{m^{(I+1)}} \delta_{j'}^{(I+1)} w_{jj'}^{(I+1)} a_{ij}^{(I)} \left(1 - a_{ij}^{(I)}\right), I = 1, 2, ..., L - 1$$

• Compute the gradient using the chain rule.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(l)}} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_{ij}^{(l)} a_{ij'}^{(l-1)}, l = 1, 2, ..., L\\ \frac{\partial C}{\partial b_{j}^{(l)}} &= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_{ij}^{(l)}, l = 1, 2, ..., L \end{aligned}$$

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Backpropagation, Part 4

• Update the weights and biases using gradient descent. For l = 1, 2, ..., L $w_{j'j}^{(l)} \leftarrow w_{j'j}^{(l)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial w_{j'j}^{(l)}}, j' = 1, 2, ..., m^{(l-1)}, j = 1, 2, ..., m^{(l)}$ $b_j^{(l)} \leftarrow b_j^{(l)} - \alpha \frac{\partial C}{\partial b_j^{(l)}}, j = 1, 2, ..., m^{(l)}$

• Repeat the process until convergent.

$$|C - C^{\text{prev}}| < \varepsilon$$