Assignment 1-Implementation of Backpropagation and Training a Palindrome Network

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Problem Statement

- Check if 10-bit string is palindrome or not
- Technique used: Neural network (BP from scratch)

Problem Statement

- Input: 10-bit String (of numbers)
- **Output**: Palindrome or not (class 0 or 1)
- There are about a total of 2^10 = 1024 input-output pairs:
 - Only 32 are having a class value of 1
 - 992 are having a class value of 0
 - Huge imbalance in the data!

Input representation

- The input is represented as a binary string of length 10.
- Each bit is fed to different nodes in the input layer.
- This is how the input is passed into the neural network



BP implementation

• Forward process:

$$z^{1} = (w^{1})^{T} x (1)$$

$$a^1 = \phi(z^1) \tag{2}$$

$$z^2 = (w^2)^T a^1 (3)$$

$$a^2 = \sigma(z^2) \tag{4}$$

Here, ϕ and σ are ReLU and Sigmoid activation respectively. w_{ij}^l connects *i*-th node in layer l to *j*-th node in layer (l+1).

BP implementation

• Backpropagation:

Partial derivatives of loss w.r.t. weight parameters of layer 2 are given by,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{i0}^2} = (a_0^2 - y_0)a_i^1 \tag{5}$$

Partial derivatives of loss w.r.t. weight parameters of layer 1 are given by,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{ij}^{1}} = (a_0^2 - y_0) w_{j0}^2 \phi'(z_j^1) x_i \tag{6}$$

BP implementation

- Other details:
 - Learning rate : 0.01
 - Momentum factor : 0.95
 - Epochs : 1000
 - Four-fold cross-validation is done
 - Positive-Negative sample ratio is kept same in each fold.

Architecture details

- Main architecture
 - Input layer: 10 neurons
 - Hidden layer : 16 neurons
 - Output layer : 1 neuron
 - ReLU is applied in hidden layer
 - Sigmoid is applied in output layer.





These are the weights connecting the **input to the hidden layer**

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These are the weights connecting the hidden to the output layer

Some insights

- We find symmetry when there are
 5 hidden neurons.
- Here we have initialized the weights between (-1,1).
- We have used bias term for 5 neuron neural network

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These are the weights connecting the hidden to the output layer

0.5

0.4

- 0.2

- 0.0

-0.2

-0.4

-0.6

-0.8



Some insights

 Binary cross entropy loss is used and a 4-fold cross validation was used during training using 16 neurons



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• Binary cross entropy loss is used and a 4-fold cross validation was used during training using 5 hidden neurons.



Overall performance

- We have trained the model using 4-fold cross validation and on each fold we get a
 - Precision of 1.0
 - Recall of 1.0

Precision (PC) =
$$\frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

F1-Score = $\frac{2 \times (PC \times SE)}{PC + SE}$
TP

Recall or Sensitivity (SE) = $\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$

F1-score of 1.0
$$L_{y'}(y) := -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y'_i \log(y_i) + (1 - y'_i) \log(1 - y_i))$$

- Here, TP = True Positive, FP = False Positive.
- For Binary Cross Entropy loss function:
 - y' is the ground truth (actual label) and
 - y is the predicted label (neural network's output) of the class.

Confusion Matrix - Across all folds



Interpretability of middle layer

- Left column: Average response for positive samples.
- Right column: Average response for negative samples.
- Only few nodes behave differently for positive and negative samples .



Learnings

- Theoretically it is possible using 2 neurons in hidden layer, but the weights are very hard to optimize.
- The palindrome number will have an unique symmetrical decimal representation
- We can use a post processing technique using delta to check if the output of the net is in between (0.5δ,0.5+δ), then it is palindrome else it is not.



Thank You