

# Problems for Week 12

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1) The data files (from assignment three) `facetrain.txt` `nofacetrain.txt` `facetest.txt` `nofacetest.txt` are made from images of faces and non-faces as follows. The images were converted to black and white and divided into a 7 by 7 grid, and each block was averaged to produce 49 numbers for each image, which are recorded in the rows of the above files.

This is clearly not a very intelligent way to extract features for face detection, but suffices for experimentation.

Build a two layer neural network for this data that is trained using the backprop method, and report on the performance on the test data.

**ans.** A two layer network looks like:

$$y = \sum_{j=1}^M w_j^{(2)} h\left(\sum_{i=1}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i + w_{j0}^{(1)}\right) + w_0^{(2)} \quad (1)$$

where  $y$  is the posterior probability of Class 1. So the observation  $\mathbf{x}$  is classified into Class 1 if  $y > 0.5$  else into Class 2. To motivate the choice of  $h$  and initial weights, we look at the Fischer Linear Discriminant (FLD) classifier. That can be expressed as:

$$y = h\left(\sum_{i=1}^D w_{ji}^{(1)} x_i + w_{j0}^{(1)}\right) \quad (2)$$

where  $h$  is the Heaviside function. We replace  $h$  by the smooth logistic sigmoid:

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

and then (1) can be seen as a generalization of (2).

In the Network training phase, we start with the FLD weights obtained in Home-work 11 and forward propagate to get  $z, y$ . Then we compute  $\nabla E(\mathbf{w})$  where

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^N (y_n - t_n)^2$$

Note that

$$h'(a) = \frac{\exp(-a)}{(1 + \exp(-a))^2}$$

To solve  $\nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = 0$  numerically, we use the Online gradient descent approach. That is we feed  $\mathbf{x}, t$  randomly from the training set and update  $\mathbf{w}$  sequentially:

$$\mathbf{w}^{(\tau+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(\tau)} - \eta \nabla E_n(\mathbf{w}^{(\tau)}), \quad \eta = 0.001$$

We update the weights if there is a decrease in error. We find the test and training sets errors for different  $M$  values to get the optimal  $M$ . Here is the Matlab code for the algorithm.

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N = 200; D=49;
x = [face_tr
     noface_tr]; t = [zeros(100,1)
                     ones(100,1)];

x_test = [face_test
          noface_test]; t_test = [zeros(13,1)
                                  ones(13,1)];
x_test = [ones(26,1) x_test];

% randomly permute the training data
ind = randperm(N); x = x(ind,:); t = t(ind,:);
x = [ones(200,1) x]; % adding bias
Err = zeros(10,2); % traing error for different M
E_test = zeros(10,1); % test data error
miss_tr = zeros(10,1); % training missclassification
miss_test = zeros(10,1); % test missclassification

for M =1:10
    %M=1;
    %intial forward propogation
    w1 = zeros(M+1,D+1); w1(2,2:D+1) = w(1:D);
    w2 = zeros(1,M+1); w2(2) = 1;

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a = x*w1';
z = 1./(1 + exp(-a));
y = z*w2';

% initial error value
Err(M,1) = 1/2*(norm(y-t))^2; Err(M,2)=1/2*(norm(y-t))^2;

% ONLINE ERROR GRADIENT
for n =1:200
    Eold = 1/2*(norm(y-t))^2;
    % ERROR GRADIENT USING (x_n,t_n)
    delta2 = y(n)-t(n);
    delta1 = zeros(M+1,1);
    for j=0:M
        delta1(j+1) = exp(-a(n,j+1))/(1+ exp(-a(n,j+1)))^2*w2(j+1)*delta2;
    end
    delE1 = delta1*x(n,:); delE2 = delta2*z(n,:);

    % updating the weights & y: learning rate, eta
    eta = 10^(-3); w1n = w1 - eta*delE1; w2n = w2 - eta*delE2;

    % new forward propogation
    an = x*w1'; zn = 1./(1 + exp(-an)); yn = zn*w2n';
    % new error valuuue
    En = 1/2*(norm(yn-t))^2;

    % update the weights if the error decreases
    if (En < Eold)
        w1 = w1n; w2 = w2n; a = an; z = zn; y = yn; Err(M,2) = En;
    end

end

% calculate error for test data
a_test = x_test*w1'; z_test = 1./(1 + exp(-a_test)); y_test = z_test*w2';
E_test(M) = 1/2*(norm(y_test-t_test))^2;

% percent miss-classifications
y2 = (y>0.5); miss_tr(M) = (200-sum(t==y2))/2;
y2 = (y_test>0.5); miss_test(M) = (26-sum(t_test==y2))/26*100;

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end

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Err                % training set error for different M
E_test             % TEST SET ERROR FOR DIFF. M
miss_tr            % percent missclassification in training data for diffe
miss_test          % percent missclassification in test data for different M
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I try  $M = 1, 2, \dots, 10$  and here are the errors values.

Initial FLD error on training data = 8.9369

Final error on training and test data:

M	Training-Error	Test-Error
1	1.4528	0.0000
2	2.0873	4.4882
3	2.7598	4.6895
4	3.1371	0.4936
5	1.6310	5.4834
6	1.5096	2.8033
7	1.7635	0.0007
8	1.2725	0.0018
9	3.1604	0.4206
10	3.0702	0.8241

$M=8$  seems to be the best choice. Percent missclassification for training set data is 2% while that for the test data is 0.