Machine Learning Methods for Atmosphere, Ocean, and Climate Science Lecture 2: Implementing ANNs in PyTorch

Mathematical modeling of Climate, Ocean, and Atmosphere processes

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Lecture 1

- Parametric estimation
- Introduction to deep neural networks
- The training algorithm

Lecture 2

- The PyTorch library
- Implementing Artificial Neural Nets in PyTorch



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• Implementing Convolutional Neural Networks in PyTorch

• Applications of ML in climate science

Lecture 4

PyTorch has various modules to aid coding



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Choice of Activation Function is Problem-Dependent



Tanh function: Classification torch.nn.Tanh() $tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$

<u>Softmax: Probability, LLMs</u> torch.nn.Softmax()

$$y_{i} = \frac{e^{z_{i}}}{\sum\limits_{i=0}^{m} e^{z_{i}}} \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} y_{1} & y_{2} & y_{3} & y_{4} & y_{5} \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \bigcirc & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \bigcirc & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \uparrow_{1} & \uparrow_{2} & \uparrow_{3} & \uparrow_{4} & \uparrow \\ z_{1} & z_{2} & z_{3} & z_{4} & z_{5} \end{array}$$

Choice of Loss Function is Problem-Dependent

<u>L1 Loss:</u> torch.nn.L1Loss() Outliers loss(x, y) = |x - y|

<u>Cross Entropy Loss (Softmax loss):</u> torch.nn.CrossEntropyLoss() multi-class classification

$$\ell(x,y) = L = \{l_1,\ldots,l_N\}^ op$$
 $l_n = -w_{y_n}\lograc{\exp(x_{n,y_n})}{\sum_{c=1}^C\exp(x_{n,c})}\cdot 1$

<u>Mean Squared Error Loss</u>: torch.nn.MSELoss() Regression $loss(x, y) = (x - y)^2$

<u>KL Divergence Loss:</u> torch.nn.KLDivLoss() VAEs, classification, PDFs

 $L(y_{ ext{pred}}, \ y_{ ext{true}}) = y_{ ext{true}} \cdot (\log y_{ ext{true}} - \log y_{ ext{pred}})$

Choice of Optimizers

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(Figures: www.datasciencecentral.com)

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PyTorch Autograd



PyTorch's Autograd module maintains a graph of connections between different variables

This helps compute gradients of the loss function very efficiently, speeding up the optimization process

loss.backward()
optimizer.step()

Why PyTorch? Why not TensorFlow?

- Released in 2016, **PyTorch is easier to learn for researchers compared to Tensorflow.** Ex: ChatGPT-3, DALL-E was written in PyTorch.
- Since newer, performs better than TensorFlow on most benchmarks. TensorFlow still preferred for ML code deployment in large systems.
- Problem with model translation. Does not have TensorBoard :-(

full dataset

per update Batch Gradient Descent



Stochastic Gradient Descent



(Figure: analyticsvidhya.com)



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0.01	10	96.49	27
0.01	100	95.76	46
0.01	1000	95.20	1612
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0.001	1	96.49	402
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Tracking Progress using Training and Validation Loss



Let's Code!

Jupyter Notebook URL: tiny.cc/coaps_lec2



- Train the ANN on MNIST data with Adam optimizer for learning rates: 10⁻¹, 10⁻², 10⁻³
- Does SGD learn efficiently at the learning rate of 10⁻³?
- Does adding momentum (say ~0.9) to SGD help?
- Perhaps the learning rate is too small for SGD. What if the leaning rate is increased?
- We have achieved an impressive recognition skill with Adam and a small learning rate. Does training the model indefinitely produce better and better skill?
- What if we use a large batch size, say 10000, with these best parameters and fast converging optimizers?