

Lecture 19 Sample Problem Solutions

Problem 19.1

1.

$$\begin{aligned} a_i &= u_1 x_i + u_0 = x_i \\ y_i &= \sigma(a_i) = \sigma(x_i) \\ &= \{\sigma(-4.97), \sigma(-1), \sigma(1), \sigma(4.97)\} \\ E_i &= \frac{1}{2} (y_i - \zeta_i)^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma(x_i) - \zeta_i)^2 \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sigma(-4.97))^2, \frac{1}{2} \sigma(-1)^2, \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sigma(1))^2, \frac{1}{2} \sigma(4.97)^2 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (-\sigma(4.97))^2, \frac{1}{2} \sigma(-1)^2, \frac{1}{2} (-\sigma(-1))^2, \frac{1}{2} \sigma(4.97)^2 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (0.99), \frac{1}{2} (0.07), \frac{1}{2} (0.07), \frac{1}{2} (0.99) \right\} \\ E &= \frac{1}{4} \sum E_i = \frac{1}{8} (2.12) = 0.265 \end{aligned}$$

2. Suppose, for example, $u_1 = -10000$, and $u_0 = 20000$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} a_i &= \{69700, 30000, 10000, -39700\} \\ y_i &= \sigma(a_i) \approx \{1, 1, 1, 0\} \\ E_i &= \frac{1}{2} (y_i - \zeta_i)^2 = \{0, 0.5, 0, 0\} \\ E &= \frac{1}{4} \sum E_i = \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_i &= \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_i} = \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial a_i} \\
&= (y_i - \zeta_i) \sigma'(a_i) = (\sigma(x_i) - \zeta_i) \sigma'(a_i) \\
&= \{(\sigma(-4.97) - 1) \sigma'(-4.97), (\sigma(-1) - 0) \sigma'(-1), (\sigma(1) - 1) \sigma'(1), (\sigma(4.97) - 0) \sigma'(4.97)\} \\
&= \{-\sigma(4.97) \sigma'(4.97), \sigma(-1) \sigma'(-1), -\sigma(-1) \sigma'(-1), \sigma(4.97) \sigma'(4.97)\} \\
&= \{-0.0134, 0.067, -0.067, 0.0134\} \\
\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_0} &= \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial u_0} \\
&= \delta_i \\
\sum \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_0} &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_1} &= \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial a_i} \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial u_1} \\
&= \delta_i x_i \\
&= \{0.067, -0.067, -0.067, 0.067\} \\
\sum \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_1} &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_0} = 0$, u_0 does not change. Since $\sum \frac{\partial E_i}{\partial u_1} = 0$, u_1 does not change. So the neural net stays in this sub-optimal configuration.

4. For example, if SGD were to randomly choose to present token #1 over and over again, then u_0 would keep changing by $-\frac{\partial E_1}{\partial u_0} = 0.0134$, and u_1 would keep changing by $-\frac{\partial E_1}{\partial u_1} = -0.067$. After u_1 goes negative (and by this time u_0 would be a big positive number), then we would start to present all of the tokens one after the other.