

CSCI 5561: Assignment #4

Convolutional Neural Network

1 Submission

- Assignment due: Apr 19 (11:55pm)
- Individual assignment
- Up to 2 page summary write-up with resulting visualization (more than 2 page assignment will be automatically returned.).
- Submission through Canvas.
- Skeletal codes can be downloaded from:
https://www-users.cs.umn.edu/~hspark/csci5561/HW4_code.zip. It contains the following four codes:
 - `main_slp_linear.m`
 - `main_slp.m`
 - `main_mlp.m`
 - `main_cnn.m`
- List of submission codes:
 - `GetMiniBatch.m`
 - `FC.m`
 - `FC_backward.m`
 - `Loss_euclidean.m`
 - `TrainSLP_linear.m`
 - `Loss_cross_entropy_softmax.m`
 - `TrainSLP`
 - `ReLU.m`
 - `ReLU_backward.m`
 - `TrainMLP.m`
 - `Conv.m`
 - `Conv_backward.m`
 - `Pool2x2.m`
 - `Pool2x2_backward.m`
 - `Flattening.m`
 - `Flattening_backward.m`
 - `TrainCNN.m`

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- A list of MAT files that contain the following trained weights:
 - `slp_linear.mat`: `w`, `b`
 - `slp.mat`: `w`, `b`
 - `mlp.mat`: `w1`, `b1`, `w2`, `b2`
 - `cnn.mat`: `w_conv`, `b_conv`, `w_fc`, `b_fc`
- DO NOT SUBMIT THE PROVIDED IMAGE DATA
- The function that does not comply with its specification will not be graded.
- You are allowed to use MATLAB built-in functions except for the ones in the Computer Vision Toolbox and Deep Learning Toolbox. Please consult with TA if you are not sure about the list of allowed functions.

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2 Overview



Figure 1: You will implement (1) a multi-layer perceptron (neural network) and (2) convolutional neural network to recognize hand-written digit using the MNIST dataset.

The goal of this assignment is to implement neural network to recognize hand-written digits in the MNIST data.

MNIST Data You will use the MNIST hand written digit dataset to perform the first task (neural network). We reduce the image size ($28 \times 28 \rightarrow 14 \times 14$) and subsample the data. You can download the training and testing data from here:

<http://www.cs.umn.edu/~hspark/csci5561/ReducedMNIST.zip>

Description: The zip file includes two MAT files (`mnist_train.mat` and `mnist_test.mat`). Each file includes `im_*` and `label_*` variables:

- `im_*` is a matrix ($196 \times n$) storing vectorized image data ($196 = 14 \times 14$)
- `label_*` is $n \times 1$ vector storing the label for each image data.

n is the number of images. You can visualize the i^{th} image, e.g., `imshow(uint8(reshape(im_train(:,i), [14,14])))`.

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3 Single-layer Linear Perceptron

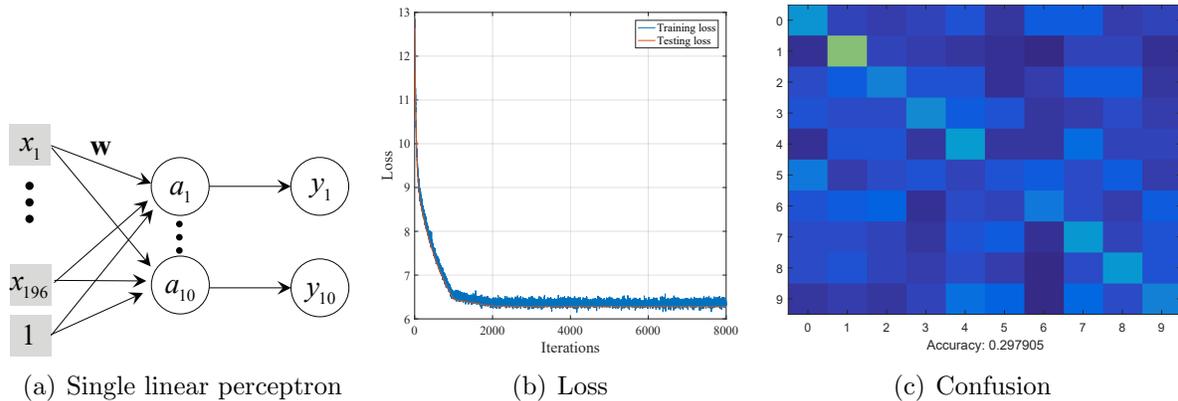


Figure 2: You will implement a single linear perceptron that produces accuracy near 30%. Random chance is 10% on testing data.

You will implement a single-layer *linear* perceptron (Figure 2(a)) with stochastic gradient descent method. We provide `main_slp_linear` where you will implement `GetMiniBatch` and `TrainSLP_linear`.

```
function [mini_batch_x, mini_batch_y] = GetMiniBatch(im_train,  
label_train, batch_size)
```

Input: `im_train` and `label_train` are a set of images and labels, and `batch_size` is the size of the mini-batch for stochastic gradient descent.

Output: `mini_batch_x` and `mini_batch_y` are cells that contain a set of batches (images and labels, respectively). Each batch of images is a matrix with size $194 \times \text{batch_size}$, and each batch of labels is a matrix with size $10 \times \text{batch_size}$ (one-hot encoding). Note that the number of images in the last batch may be smaller than `batch_size`.

Description: You may randomly permute the the order of images when building the batch, and whole sets of `mini_batch_*` must span all training data.

```
function y = FC(x, w, b)
```

Input: $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the input to the fully connected layer, and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are the weights and bias.

Output: $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the output of the linear transform (fully connected layer).

Description: `FC` is a linear transform of \mathbf{x} , i.e., $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{w}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$.

```
function [dLdx dLdw dLdb] = FC_backward(dLdy, x, w, b, y)
```

Input: $dLdy \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the output \mathbf{y} .

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Output: $dLdx \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times m}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the input \mathbf{x} , $dLdw \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times (n \times m)}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the weights, and $dLdb \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times n}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the bias.

Description: The partial derivatives w.r.t. input, weights, and bias will be computed. $dLdx$ will be back-propagated, and $dLdw$ and $dLdb$ will be used to update the weights and bias.

```
function [L, dLdy] = Loss_euclidean(y_tilde, y)
```

Input: $y_tilde \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the prediction, and $y \in \{0, 1\}^m$ is the ground truth label.

Output: $L \in \mathbb{R}$ is the loss, and $dLdy$ is the loss derivative with respect to the prediction.

Description: `Loss_euclidean` measure Euclidean distance $L = \|\mathbf{y} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}}\|^2$.

```
function [w, b] = TrainSLP_linear(mini_batch_x, mini_batch_y)
```

Input: `mini_batch_x` and `mini_batch_y` are cells where each cell is a batch of images and labels.

Output: $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 196}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 1}$ are the trained weights and bias of a single-layer perceptron.

Description: You will use `FC`, `FC_backward`, and `Loss_euclidean` to train a single-layer perceptron using a stochastic gradient descent method where a pseudo-code can be found below. Through training, you are expected to see reduction of loss as shown in Figure 2(b). As a result of training, the network should produce more than 25% of accuracy on the testing data (Figure 2(c)).

Algorithm 1 Stochastic Gradient Descent based Training

- 1: Set the learning rate γ
 - 2: Set the decay rate $\lambda \in (0, 1]$
 - 3: Initialize the weights with a Gaussian noise $\mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
 - 4: $k = 1$
 - 5: **for** `ilter = 1 : nIters` **do**
 - 6: At every 1000th iteration, $\gamma \leftarrow \lambda\gamma$
 - 7: $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \leftarrow 0$ and $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \leftarrow 0$
 - 8: **for** Each image \mathbf{x}_i in k^{th} mini-batch **do**
 - 9: Label prediction of \mathbf{x}_i
 - 10: Loss computation l
 - 11: Gradient back-propagation of \mathbf{x}_i , $\frac{\partial l}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$ using back-propagation.
 - 12: $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}} + \frac{\partial l}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$ and $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}} + \frac{\partial l}{\partial \mathbf{b}}$
 - 13: **end for**
 - 14: $k++$ (Set $k = 1$ if k is greater than the number of mini-batches.)
 - 15: Update the weights, $\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} - \frac{\gamma}{R} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$, and bias $\mathbf{b} \leftarrow \mathbf{b} - \frac{\gamma}{R} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mathbf{b}}$
 - 16: **end for**
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4 Single-layer Perceptron

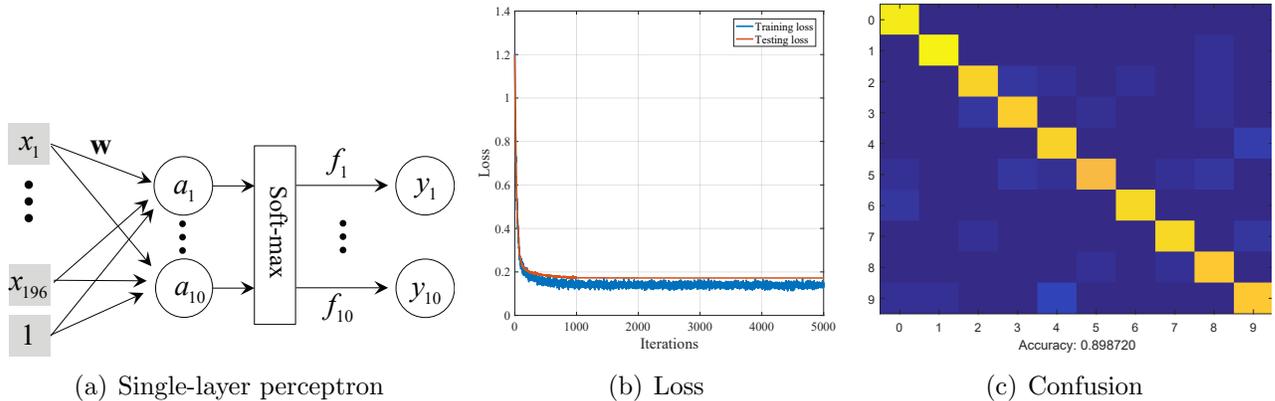


Figure 3: You will implement a single perceptron that produces accuracy near 90% on testing data.

You will implement a single-layer perceptron with *soft-max cross-entropy* using stochastic gradient descent method. We provide `main_slp` where you will implement `TrainSLP`. Unlike the single-layer linear perceptron, it has a soft-max layer that approximates a max function by clamping the output to $[0, 1]$ range as shown in Figure 3(a).

`function [L, dLdy] = Loss_cross_entropy_softmax(x, y)`

Input: $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the input to the soft-max, and $\mathbf{y} \in 0, 1^m$ is the ground truth label.

Output: $L \in \mathbb{R}$ is the loss, and $dLdy$ is the loss derivative with respect to \mathbf{x} .

Description: `Loss_cross_entropy_softmax` measure cross-entropy between two distributions $L = \sum_i^m \mathbf{y}_i \log \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i$ where $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i$ is the soft-max output that approximates the max operation by clamping \mathbf{x} to $[0, 1]$ range:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}_i}}{\sum_i e^{\mathbf{x}_i}},$$

where \mathbf{x}_i is the i^{th} element of \mathbf{x} .

`function [w, b] = TrainSLP(mini_batch_x, mini_batch_y)`

Output: $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 196}$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 1}$ are the trained weights and bias of a single-layer perceptron.

Description: You will use the following functions to train a single-layer perceptron using a stochastic gradient descent method: `FC`, `FC_backward`, `Loss_cross_entropy_softmax`

Through training, you are expected to see reduction of loss as shown in Figure 3(b). As a result of training, the network should produce more than 85% of accuracy on the testing data (Figure 3(c)).

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5 Multi-layer Perceptron

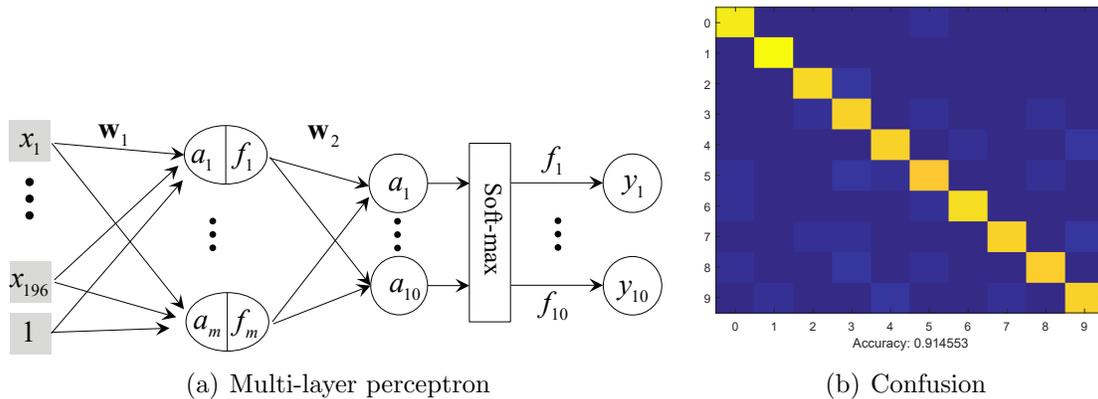


Figure 4: You will implement a multi-layer perceptron that produces accuracy more than 90% on testing data.

You will implement a multi-layer perceptron with a single hidden layer using a stochastic gradient descent method. We provide `main_mlp`. The hidden layer is composed of 30 units as shown in Figure 4(a).

```
function [y] = ReLu(x)
```

Input: \mathbf{x} is a general tensor, matrix, and vector.

Output: \mathbf{y} is the output of the Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) with the same input size.

Description: ReLu is an activation unit ($\mathbf{y}_i = \max(0, \mathbf{x}_i)$). In some case, it is possible to use a Leaky ReLu ($\mathbf{y}_i = \max(\epsilon \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_i)$ where $\epsilon = 0.01$).

```
function [dLdx] = ReLu_backward(dLdy, x, y)
```

Input: $\mathbf{dLdy} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times z}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the output $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^z$ where z is the size of input (it can be tensor, matrix, and vector).

Output: $\mathbf{dLdx} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times z}$ is the loss derivative with respect to the input \mathbf{x} .

```
function [w1, b1, w2, b2] = TrainMLP(mini_batch_x, mini_batch_y)
```

Output: $\mathbf{w1} \in \mathbb{R}^{30 \times 196}$, $\mathbf{b1} \in \mathbb{R}^{30 \times 1}$, $\mathbf{w2} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 30}$, $\mathbf{b2} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 1}$ are the trained weights and biases of a multi-layer perceptron.

Description: You will use the following functions to train a multi-layer perceptron using a stochastic gradient descent method: `FC`, `FC_backward`, `ReLU`, `ReLU_backward`, `Loss_cross_entropy_softmax`. As a result of training, the network should produce more than 90% of accuracy on the testing data (Figure 4(b)).

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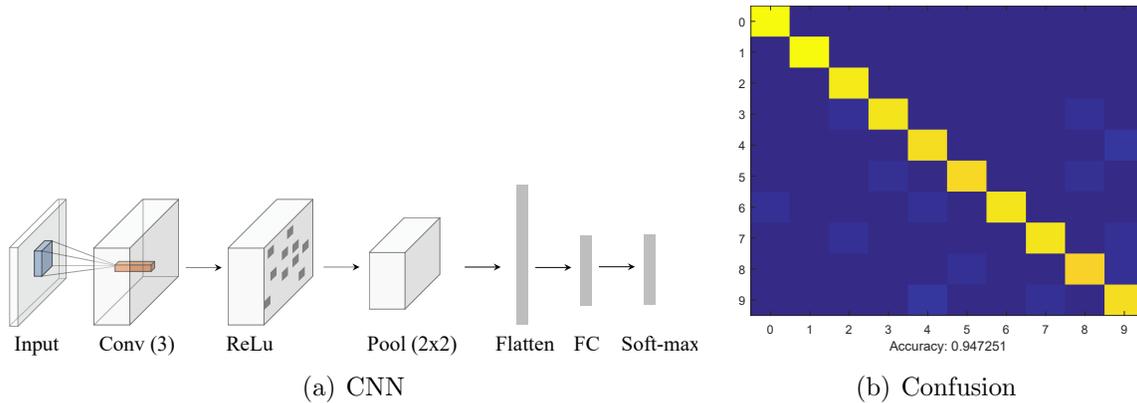


Figure 5: You will implement a convolutional neural network that produces accuracy more than 92% on testing data.

You will implement a convolutional neural network (CNN) using a stochastic gradient descent method. We provide `main_cnn`. As shown in Figure 4(a), the network is composed of: a single channel input ($14 \times 14 \times 1$) \rightarrow Conv layer (3×3 convolution with 3 channel output and stride 1) \rightarrow ReLu layer \rightarrow Max-pooling layer (2×2 with stride 2) \rightarrow Flattening layer (147 units) \rightarrow FC layer (10 units) \rightarrow Soft-max.

`function [y] = Conv(x, w_conv, b_conv)`

Input: $x \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C_1}$ is an input to the convolutional operation, $w_conv \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C_1 \times C_2}$ and $b_conv \in \mathbb{R}^{C_2}$ are weights and bias of the convolutional operation.

Output: $y \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C_2}$ is the output of the convolutional operation. Note that to get the same size with the input, you may pad zero at the boundary of the input image.

Description: This convolutional operation can be simplified using MATLAB built-in function `im2col`.

`function [dLdw, dLdb] = Conv_backward(dLdy, x, w_conv, b_conv, y)`

Input: `dLdy` is the loss derivative with respect to `y`.

Output: `dLdw` and `dLdb` are the loss derivatives with respect to convolutional weights and bias `w` and `b`, respectively.

Description: This convolutional operation can be simplified using MATLAB built-in function `im2col`. Note that for the single convolutional layer, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x}$ is not needed.

`function [y] = Pool2x2(x)`

Input: $x \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}$ is a general tensor and matrix.

Output: $y \in \mathbb{R}^{\frac{H}{2} \times \frac{W}{2} \times C}$ is the output of the 2×2 max-pooling operation with stride 2.

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`function [dLdx] = Pool2x2_backward(dLdy, x, y)`

Input: $dLdy$ is the loss derivative with respect to the output y .

Output: $dLdx$ is the loss derivative with respect to the input x .

`function [y] = Flattening(x)`

Input: $x \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times W \times C}$ is a tensor.

Output: $y \in \mathbb{R}^{HWC}$ is the vectorized tensor (column major).

`function [dLdx] = Flattening_backward(dLdy, x, y)`

Input: $dLdy$ is the loss derivative with respect to the output y .

Output: $dLdx$ is the loss derivative with respect to the input x .

`function [w_conv, b_conv, w_fc, b_fc] = TrainCNN(mini_batch_x, mini_batch_y)`

Output: $w_{conv} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3 \times 1 \times 3}$, $b_{conv} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, $w_{fc} \in \mathbb{R}^{10 \times 147}$, $b_{fc} \in \mathbb{R}^{147}$ are the trained weights and biases of the CNN.

Description: You will use the following functions to train a convolutional neural network using a stochastic gradient descent method: `Conv`, `Conv_backward`, `Pool2x2`, `Pool2x2_backward`, `Flattening`, `Flattening_backward`, `FC`, `FC_backward`, `ReLu`, `ReLu_backward`, `Loss_cross_entropy_softmax`. As a result of training, the network should produce more than 92% of accuracy on the testing data (Figure 5(b)).