

# Tutorial 8

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**Problem 1.** In class, we saw the detailed derivation of backpropagation update rules when each of the activation units is a sigmoid. You need to derive all the update rules when each activation unit happens to be rectified linear unit (ReLU).

$$\sigma(s) = \max(\theta, s)$$

(since we often represent  $\sigma$ .) by  $g(\cdot)$ , this also means  $g(s) = \max(\theta, s)$

Typically,  $\theta = 0$ . Note that ReLU is differentiable at all points except at  $s = \theta$ . But by using subgradient  $\nabla_s \sigma$  instead of gradient  $\nabla \sigma$ , we can complete backpropagation as ‘subgradient descent’. Note that subgradient is the same as gradient in regions in which the function is differentiable. Thus,

$$\nabla_s \sigma(s) = 1, s \in (\theta, \infty) , \nabla_s \sigma(s) = 0 \text{ if } s < \theta \text{ and } \nabla_s \sigma(s) \in [0, 1] \text{ if } s = \theta$$

The interval  $[0, 1]$  is the subdifferential (denoted  $\partial$ ), which is set of subgradients of  $\sigma$  at  $\theta$ .

Is there a problem in cascading several layers of ReLU? Recall that we invoked subgradients in justifying the *Iterative Soft Thresholding Algorithm* for LASSO. And that LASSO gave sparsity owing to hard thresholding.

**Solution:**

All the gradients and partial derivatives in the backpropagation algorithm will remain unchanged except for the  $\frac{\partial \sigma_p^{l+1}}{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}}$  since  $\sigma$  is not differentiable now at all points. So the new

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_p^{l+1}}{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}} = 1, \text{sum}_p^{l+1} \in [\theta, \infty) , \frac{\partial \sigma_p^{l+1}}{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}} = 0 \text{ if } \text{sum}_p^{l+1} < \theta$$

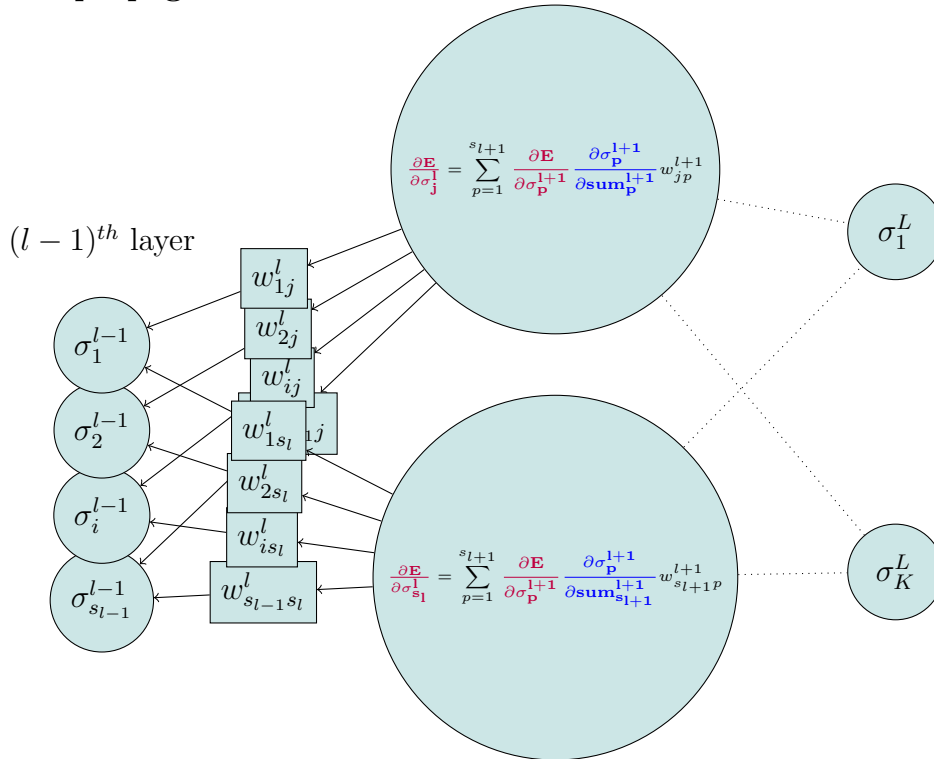
will be one possible choice

- For a single example  $(\mathbf{x}, y)$ :

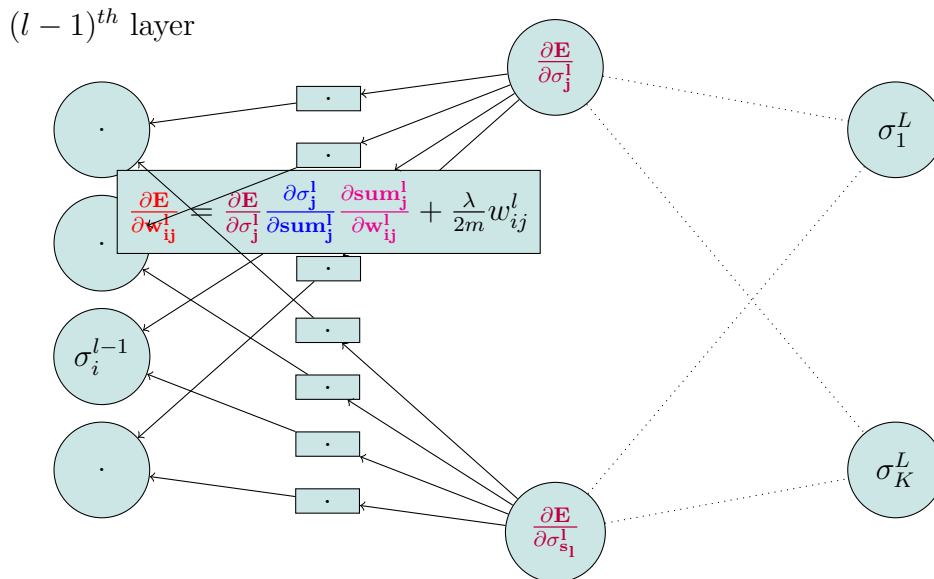
$$- \left[ \sum_{k=1}^K y_k \log(\sigma_k^l(\mathbf{x})) + (1 - y_k) \log(1 - \sigma_k^l(\mathbf{x})) \right] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{i=1}^{s_{l-1}} \sum_{j=1}^{s_l} (w_{ij}^l)^2 \tag{1}$$

- $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = \sum_{p=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}} \frac{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = \sum_{p=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_p^{l+1}} \frac{\partial \sigma_p^{l+1}}{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}} w_{jp}^{l+1}$  since  $\frac{\partial \text{sum}_p^{l+1}}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = w_{jp}^{l+1}$
- $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = -\frac{y_j}{\sigma_j^l} - \frac{1-y_j}{1-\sigma_j^l}$

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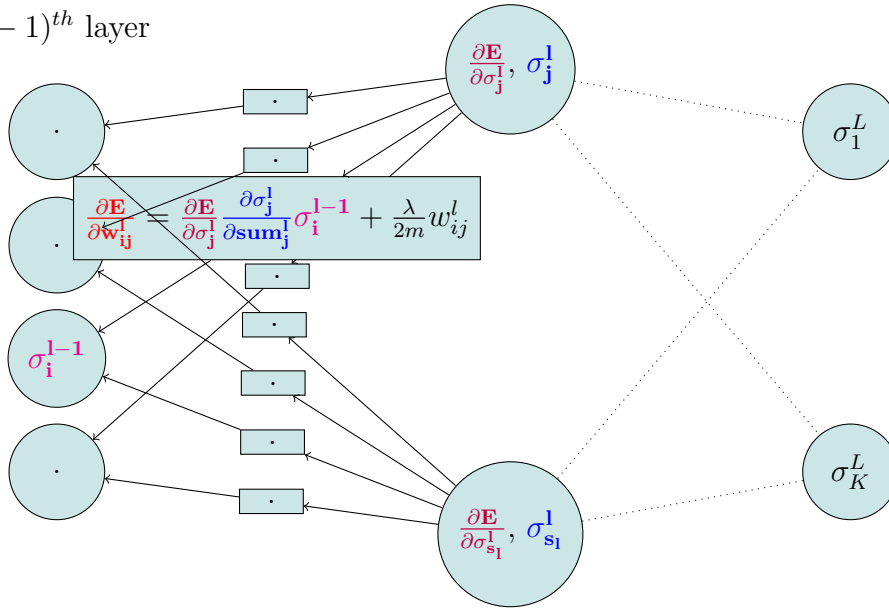


### Recall and Substitute

- $sum_j^l = \sum_{k=1}^{s_{l-1}} w_{kj}^l \sigma_k^{l-1}$  and  $\sigma_i^l = \frac{1}{1+e^{-sum_i^l}}$
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial \sigma_j^l} \frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial sum_j^l} \frac{\partial sum_j^l}{\partial w_{ij}^l} + \frac{\lambda}{2m} w_{ij}^l$
- $\frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial sum_j^l} = 1$ , if  $sum_j^l \in [\theta, \infty)$ ,  $\frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial sum_j^l} = 0$  if  $sum_j^l < \theta$
- $\frac{\partial sum_j^l}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \sigma_i^{l-1}$
- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = \sum_{p=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial \sigma_j^{l+1}} \frac{\partial \sigma_j^{l+1}}{\partial sum_j^{l+1}} w_{jp}^{l+1}$
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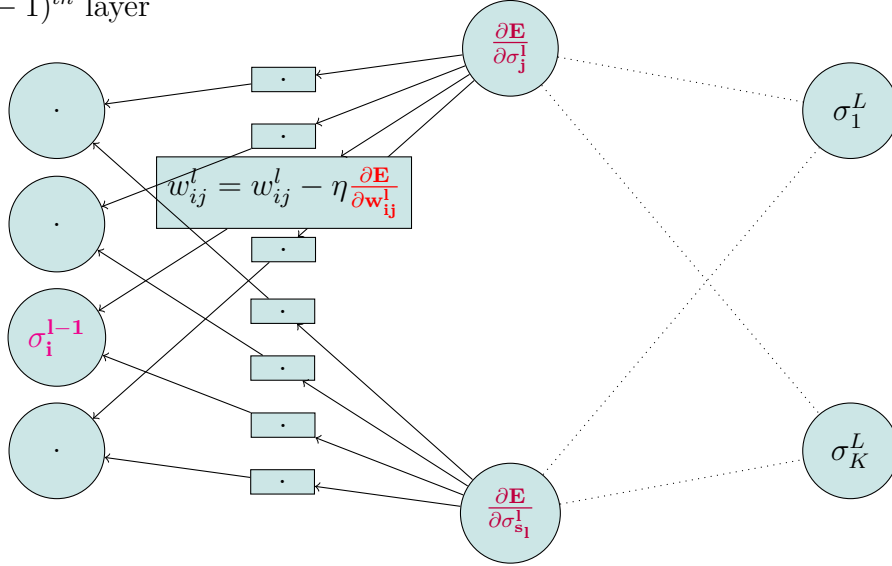
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$(l-1)^{th}$  layer



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$(l - 1)^{th}$  layer



### The Backpropagation Algorithm for Training NN

1. Randomly initialize weights  $w_{ij}^l$  for  $l = 1, \dots, L$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s_l$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s_{l+1}$ .
2. Implement **forward propagation** to get  $f_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x})$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}$ .
3. Execute **backpropagation** on any misclassified  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}$  by performing gradient descent to minimize (non-convex)  $E(\mathbf{w})$  as a function of parameters  $\mathbf{w}$ .
4.  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^L} = -\frac{y_j}{\sigma_j^L} - \frac{1-y_j}{1-\sigma_j^L}$  for  $j = 1$  to  $s_L$ .
5. For  $l = L - 1$  down to 2:
  - (a)  $\frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial \text{sum}_j^l} = 1$ , if  $\text{sum}_j^l \in [\theta, \infty)$ ,  $\frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial \text{sum}_j^l} = 0$  if  $\text{sum}_j^l < \theta$
  - (b)  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^l} = \sum_{p=1}^{s_{l+1}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^{l+1}} \frac{\partial \sigma_j^{l+1}}{\partial \text{sum}_j^{l+1}} w_{jp}^{l+1}$
  - (c)  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \sigma_j^l} \frac{\partial \sigma_j^l}{\partial \text{sum}_j^l} \sigma_i^{l-1} + \frac{\lambda}{2m} w_{ij}^l$
  - (d)  $w_{ij}^l = w_{ij}^l - \eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^l}$
6. Keep picking misclassified examples until the cost function  $E(\mathbf{w})$  shows significant reduction; else resort to some random perturbation of weights  $\mathbf{w}$  and restart a couple of times.

**Problem 2.** Compute the minimum number of multiplications and additions for a single backpropagation while also estimating the memory required for the minimum number of such multiplications and additions to become possible.

**Problem 3.** Solve the assignment at [https://github.com/tensorflow/tensorflow/blob/master/tensorflow/examples/udacity/4\\_convolution.ipynb](https://github.com/tensorflow/tensorflow/blob/master/tensorflow/examples/udacity/4_convolution.ipynb)

Follow the instructions to implement and run each indicated step. Some steps have been implemented for you. This is a self-evaluated assignment. Make sure you are able to solve each problem and answer any posed questions and save the answers/solutions wherever possible.