

A single neuron receives two inputs.

The setup is as follows:

- Input vector:  $x = [3, -1]$
- Weights:  $w = [0.4, -0.6]$
- Bias:  $b = 0.2$
- Activation function: **Identity** (i.e., no non-linearity)

You are training this neuron with:

- True target label:  $y = 2$
- Loss function: **Mean Squared Error (MSE)**:

$$L = (y - \hat{y})^2$$

- Learning rate:  $\alpha = 0.05$

**1. Forward Pass:**

Calculate the predicted output  $\hat{y}$  of the neuron.

**2. Loss Calculation:**

Calculate the loss using MSE between the predicted output  $\hat{y}$  and the true label  $y$ .

**3. Backpropagation:**

- Compute the gradients of the loss with respect to each weight.
- (Hint: use chain rule:  $\frac{dL}{dw} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \times \frac{d\hat{y}}{dw}$ )

**4. Weight Updates:**

Update the weights using **gradient descent** and the learning rate.

- " $\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} = 2(\hat{y} - y)$ "
- " $\frac{d\hat{y}}{dw_i} = x_i$  (because  $\hat{y} = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b$ )"

## 1. Forward Pass

Compute predicted output:

$$\hat{y} = (w_1 \times x_1) + (w_2 \times x_2) + b$$

Substituting:

$$\hat{y} = (0.4 \times 3) + (-0.6 \times -1) + 0.2$$

$$\hat{y} = 1.2 + 0.6 + 0.2$$

$$\hat{y} = 2.0$$

✔ Predicted output:  $\hat{y} = 2.0$

## 2. Loss Calculation

Using MSE:

$$L = (y - \hat{y})^2$$

Substituting:

$$L = (2 - 2)^2$$

$$L = (0)^2 = 0$$

✔ Loss:  $L = 0$

### 3. Backpropagation (Gradient Calculation)

First, find:

$$\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} = 2(\hat{y} - y)$$

Substituting:

$$\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} = 2(2 - 2) = 2(0) = 0$$

Now, gradients with respect to weights:

- For  $w_1$ :

$$\frac{dL}{dw_1} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \times \frac{d\hat{y}}{dw_1} = 0 \times x_1 = 0 \times 3 = 0$$

- For  $w_2$ :

$$\frac{dL}{dw_2} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \times \frac{d\hat{y}}{dw_2} = 0 \times x_2 = 0 \times (-1) = 0$$

✔ Gradients:

$$\nabla w = [0, 0]$$

### 4. Weight Updates

Update rule:

$$w_{\text{new}} = w_{\text{old}} - \alpha \times \nabla w$$

Since gradients are 0, the weights do not change:

- $w_1$  update:

$$w_1 = 0.4 - 0.05 \times 0 = 0.4$$

- $w_2$  update:

$$w_2 = -0.6 - 0.05 \times 0 = -0.6$$

✔ New weights:

$$w = [0.4, -0.6]$$

## Example:

Let's say you have the following:

- Input:  $x = [x_1, x_2] = [1, 2]$
- Hidden layer: ReLU activation
- Output layer: Sigmoid activation
- Loss: MSE

### 1. Compute the **forward pass**:

- Hidden layer:  $h = f(w \times x + b)$
- Output layer:  $y_{\text{pred}} = f(v \times h + b_{\text{output}})$

### 2. Compute the **backpropagation** gradients:

- Compute  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial v_k}$
- Compute  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_k}$

### 3. Update the weights with gradient descent:

- $v_k = v_k - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial v_k}$
- $w_k = w_k - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_k}$

## Neural Network Setup

- **Input Layer:**  $x = [1, 2]$
- **Hidden Layer:**
  - Weights:  $w = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.6 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix}$  (2 weights for each neuron, for 2 inputs)
  - Bias:  $b^{(1)} = [0.1, 0.1]$
  - Activation function: ReLU
- **Output Layer:**
  - Weights:  $v = [0.4 \quad 0.7]$
  - Bias:  $b^{(2)} = 0.2$
  - Activation function: Sigmoid
- **True output (target label):**  $y = 1.0$
- **Learning rate:**  $\alpha = 0.01$

## 1. Forward Pass

### 1.1 Hidden Layer

First, we compute the pre-activation of the hidden layer:

$$z_h = w \cdot x + b^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.6 \\ 0.2 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculating the dot product:

- $z_{h1} = (0.5 \cdot 1) + (0.6 \cdot 2) + 0.1 = 0.5 + 1.2 + 0.1 = 1.8$
- $z_{h2} = (0.2 \cdot 1) + (0.3 \cdot 2) + 0.1 = 0.2 + 0.6 + 0.1 = 0.9$

So, the pre-activations for the hidden layer are:

$$z_h = [1.8, 0.9]$$

Now, apply the **ReLU** activation function:

$$a_h = \text{ReLU}(z_h) = [1.8, 0.9]$$

(As both are positive, the activation is simply the same as the pre-activation.)

So, the output of the hidden layer is:

$$a_h = [1.8, 0.9]$$

### 1.2 Output Layer

Next, we compute the pre-activation of the output layer:

$$z_o = v \cdot a_h + b^{(2)} = [0.4 \quad 0.7] \begin{bmatrix} 1.8 \\ 0.9 \end{bmatrix} + 0.2$$

Calculating the dot product:

$$z_o = (0.4 \cdot 1.8) + (0.7 \cdot 0.9) + 0.2 = 0.72 + 0.63 + 0.2 = 1.55$$

Now, apply the **sigmoid** activation function:

$$y_{\text{pred}} = \sigma(z_o) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-1.55}} \approx 0.824$$

So, the predicted output is:

$$y_{\text{pred}} = 0.824$$

## 2. Loss Calculation

The loss function is Mean Squared Error (MSE):

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(y_{\text{true}} - y_{\text{pred}})^2$$
$$L = \frac{1}{2}(1.0 - 0.824)^2 = \frac{1}{2}(0.176)^2 = 0.0155$$

So, the loss is:

$$L = 0.0155$$

## 3. Backpropagation

### 3.1 Gradient at Output Layer

Now, we compute the gradient of the loss with respect to the output layer weights  $v$ .

First, we calculate the derivative of the loss with respect to  $y_{\text{pred}}$ :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{\text{pred}}} = -(y_{\text{true}} - y_{\text{pred}}) = -(1.0 - 0.824) = -0.176$$

Next, compute the derivative of the sigmoid activation function:

$$f'(z_o) = \sigma(z_o)(1 - \sigma(z_o)) = 0.824 \times (1 - 0.824) = 0.824 \times 0.176 = 0.145$$

Now, compute the gradient of the loss with respect to the output layer weights  $v_k$ :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial v_k} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{\text{pred}}} \cdot f'(z_o) \cdot a_{h_k}$$

For each weight  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ :

- $\frac{\partial L}{\partial v_1} = (-0.176) \times 0.145 \times 1.8 = -0.0461$
- $\frac{\partial L}{\partial v_2} = (-0.176) \times 0.145 \times 0.9 = -0.0229$

### 3.2 Gradient at Hidden Layer

Now, backpropagate the gradient to the hidden layer:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{h_k}} = \sum_k \frac{\partial L}{\partial v_k} \cdot v_k$$

For each activation  $a_{h1}$  and  $a_{h2}$ :

- $\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{h1}} = (-0.0461 \times 0.4) + (-0.0229 \times 0.7) = -0.01844 - 0.01603 = -0.03447$
- $\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{h2}} = (-0.0461 \times 0.7) + (-0.0229 \times 0.3) = -0.03227 - 0.00687 = -0.03914$

Next, compute the gradient with respect to the hidden layer pre-activations  $z_h$  using the ReLU derivative.

Since both  $z_{h1}$  and  $z_{h2}$  are positive, the derivative of ReLU is 1 for both:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h1}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{h1}} \cdot f'(z_{h1}) = -0.03447 \times 1 = -0.03447$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h2}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_{h2}} \cdot f'(z_{h2}) = -0.03914 \times 1 = -0.03914$$

Finally, calculate the gradients with respect to the hidden layer weights  $w_k$ :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{k1}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h1}} \cdot x_1 = -0.03447 \cdot 1 = -0.03447$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{k2}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h1}} \cdot x_2 = -0.03447 \cdot 2 = -0.06894$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{k3}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h2}} \cdot x_1 = -0.03914 \cdot 1 = -0.03914$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{k4}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_{h2}} \cdot x_2 = -0.03914 \cdot 2 = -0.07828$$

## 4. Weight Updates

Now, we update the weights using **gradient descent**:

**Update Output Layer Weights:**

- $v_1 = v_1 - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial v_1} = 0.4 - 0.01 \cdot (-0.0461) = 0.4 + 0.000461 = 0.400461$
- $v_2 = v_2 - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial v_2} = 0.7 - 0.01 \cdot (-0.0229) = 0.7 + 0.000229 = 0.700229$