

## HWLesson3: Deep Neural Networks

**Problem 1** Given a uniform mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$  of  $[0, 1]$  with mesh size  $h$ , define

$$V_h = \{v : v \text{ is continuous and piecewise linear w.r.t. } \mathcal{T}_h, v(0) = v(1) = 0\}.$$

Consider the following optimization problem: Find  $u_h \in V_h$  such that

$$u_h = \arg \min_{v_h \in V_h} J(v_h). \quad (1)$$

where  $f = -\pi^2 \sin \pi x$  and  $J(v_h) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 |v'_h|^2 dx - \int_0^1 f v_h dx$ .

1. (10 %) Let  $u_h \in V_h$  be given by (1). For any  $v_h \in V_h, t \in \mathbb{R}$ , consider the following auxiliary function

$$g(t) = J(u_h + t v_h). \quad (2)$$

- (a) Prove that  $g(0) = \min_{t \in \mathbb{R}^1} g(t)$ .

- (b) Verify that

$$g'(0) = \int_0^1 u'_h v'_h dx - \int_0^1 f v_h dx. \quad (3)$$

- (c) Prove that

$$\int_0^1 u'_h v'_h dx = \int_0^1 f v_h dx \quad v_h \in V_h. \quad (4)$$

2. (10 %) Use gradient descent method to solve problem (1) for  $h = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}$  and plot the corresponding solution  $u_h$ .

**Problem 2 (25 %)** Consider a sequence of uniform grid on interval  $[0, 1]$  as follows:

$$0 = x_0^k < x_1^k < \dots < x_{N_k+1}^k = 1, \quad x_j^k = \frac{j}{N_k + 1}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3,$$

with  $h_k = 1/(N_k + 1)$  and  $N_k = 2^k - 1$ . On each level  $k$ , we have the standard linear finite element space  $V_h^k$  with standard nodal basis functions  $\phi_i^k$ . Denote all the interior nodes  $x_j^k, j = 1, 2, \dots, N_k$  on level  $k$  by  $\mathcal{N}_k$ , the so-called *hierarchical basis* (HB) refers to a special set of nodal basis functions

$$\{\phi_i^k : x_i^k \in \mathcal{N}_k \setminus \mathcal{N}_{k-1}, k = 1, 2, 3\}.$$

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We shall denote the scaled HB by  $\{\psi_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$  as shown in Figure 1. Show that  $\int_0^1 \psi'_i \psi'_j dx = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ .

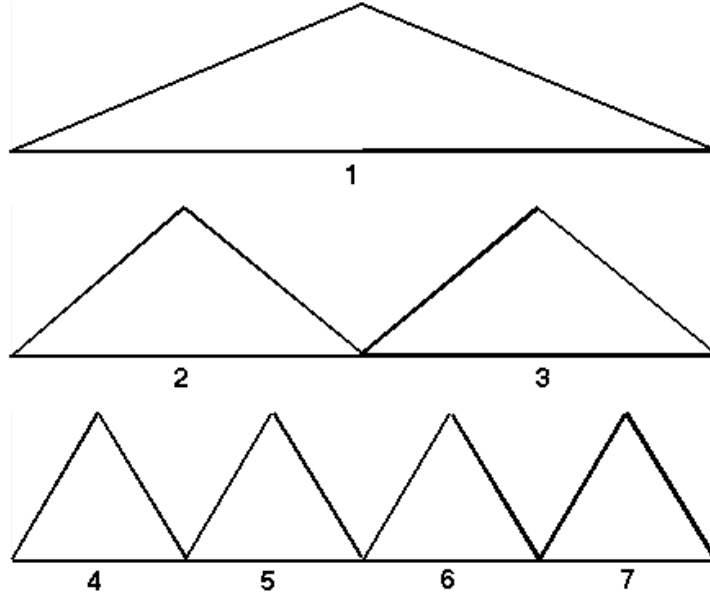


Figure 1: One dimensional Hierarchical basis

**Problem 3 (15 %)** Given a uniform mesh  $\mathcal{T}_h$  of  $[0, 1]$  with mesh size  $h$ , define finite element space

$$V_h = \{v : v \text{ is continuous and piecewise linear w.r.t. } \mathcal{T}_h\}.$$

Given  $u(x) = x^2$ , we define its finite element interpolation,  $u_I \in V_h$ , as follows:

$$u_I(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N u(x_i) \phi_i(x), \quad (5)$$

where  $\{\phi_i(x)\}_{i=1}^N$  are the nodal basis functions of  $V_h$ .

Prove that

$$\|u - u_I\| \leq 16h^2.$$

**Problem 4** Consider the activation function  $\text{ReLU}(x) = \max(0, x)$ . Answer the next questions about deep neural networks with ReLU activation function on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

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1. (5 %) Consider the next deep neural network function with one hidden layer

$$g(x) = a_1 \text{ReLU}(x) + a_2 \text{ReLU}(x - \frac{1}{2}) + a_3 \text{ReLU}(x - 1) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

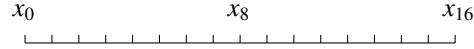
Find  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  such that the function  $g(x)$  has the following explicit formulation

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 2x & 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(1-x) & \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1 \\ 0 & 1 \leq x \end{cases}.$$

**Hint:** Check this one interval by one interval.

2. (5 %) Given a uniform partition  $\mathcal{T}_{16}$  on  $[0, 1]$ :

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{16} = 1, \quad x_j = \frac{j}{16} \quad (j = 0, 1, \dots, 16).$$



And the finite element space

$$V_{16} = \{v : v \text{ is continuous and piecewise linear w.r.t. } \mathcal{T}_{16}\}.$$

Consider a  $v(x) \in V_{16}$  where  $v(x_j) = a_j$  for some  $a_j \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $j = 0, 1, \dots, 16$ , please find  $c_j$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, 16$  such that

$$v(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{16} c_j \text{ReLU}(16(x - x_j)), \quad \forall x \in [0, 1].$$

**Hint:** Check the identity by intervals from  $[x_0, x_1]$  to  $[x_{15}, x_{16}]$ .

3. (5 %) For a more compact formula of  $g(x)$  as a one hidden neural network,

please find  $V = (v_1, v_2, v_3) \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 3}$ ,  $W = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 1}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$

such that

$$g(x) = V \text{ReLU}(Wx + b) + c.$$

**Hint:** Write the definition of  $g(x)$  in a matrix version.

4. (5 %) Plot functions  $g_2$  and  $g_3(x)$  for  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Here  $g_2(x)$  and  $g_3(x)$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} g_2(x) &= g \circ g(x) = g(g(x)), \quad \forall x \in [0, 1], \\ g_3(x) &= g \circ g \circ g(x) = g(g(g(x))), \quad \forall x \in [0, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

**Hint:** Check this by intervals.

5. (5 %) Prove that this function  $g_2(x)$  can be represented by a deep neural network with two hidden layers. In other words, please find  $(W_i, b_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  such that

$$g_2(x) = W_3 \text{ReLU}(W_2 \text{ReLU}(W_1 x + b_1) + b_2) + b_3, \quad \forall x \in [0, 1].$$

**Hint:** Recall that  $g(x) = V \text{ReLU}(Wx + b) + c$  and  $g_2(x) = g \circ g(x)$ .

**Problem 5** Consider data sets  $A_1, A_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by:

$$A_1 = \left\{ (0, \sqrt{2}), \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right), (\sqrt{2}, 0), \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right), (-\sqrt{2}, 0), \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right), (0, -\sqrt{2}), \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \right\},$$

and

$$A_2 = \left\{ (0, \sqrt{5}), (\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}), (\sqrt{5}, 0), (-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}), (-\sqrt{5}, 0), (-\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}), (0, -\sqrt{5}), (\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}) \right\}.$$

1. (5 %) Consider  $\varphi(x_1, x_2) = 3 - x_1^2 - x_2^2$ , please verify that

$$\varphi(x_1, x_2) > \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \in A_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(x_1, x_2) < -\frac{1}{2} \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \in A_2.$$

2. (10 %) Prove that there exists a one hidden layer ReLU DNN function

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_2) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sigma(w_i \cdot (x_1, x_2) + b_i),$$

where  $\sigma(x) = \text{ReLU}(x) = \max\{0, x\}$ , such that

$$\tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_2) > 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \in A_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\varphi}(x_1, x_2) < 0 \quad \forall (x_1, x_2) \in A_2.$$

(That is to say  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  can be (nonlinearly) classified via one hidden layer ReLU DNN.)

**Hint:** Use the universal approximation property for one hidden layer DNN with ReLU activation function (non-polynomial) to approximate the function  $\varphi(x_1, x_2)$  defined in last question.

## Optional Problems

**Problem** Consider  $\phi(x, y)$  defined by

$$\phi_2(x, y) = 2(g_2(\frac{x}{2}) + g_2(\frac{y}{2}) - g_2(\frac{x+y}{2})) \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1,$$

where  $g_2(x) = g \circ g(x) = g(g(x))$  is defined in the previous problems.

1. Plot the function  $\phi_2(x, y)$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ .
2. Furthermore, consider

$$\phi_3(x, y) = 2(g_3(\frac{x}{2}) + g_3(\frac{y}{2}) - g_3(\frac{x+y}{2})) \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1,$$

where  $g_3(x) = g \circ g_2(x) = g \circ g \circ g(x) = g(g(g(x)))$  is defined in the previous problems. Please plot or describe the properties of  $\phi_3(x, y)$ .