# Linear logic and deep learning 

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## Move 37, Game 2, Sedol-AlphaGo


"It's not a human move. I've never seen a human play this move... So beautiful."

- Fan Hui, three-time European Go champion.


## Outline

- Introduction to deep learning
- What is differentiable programming?
- Linear logic and the polynomial semantics
- Our model


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F_{w}(\text { current board })=
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\in \mathbb{R}^{19 \cdot 19}
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A randomly initialised neural network is trained on sample data

$$
\left\{\left(x_{i}, y_{i}\right)\right\}_{i \in I}, x_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{m}, y_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}
$$

by varying the weight vector in order to minimise the error

$$
E_{w}=\sum_{i}\left(F_{w}\left(x_{i}\right)-y_{i}\right)^{2}
$$

## training process (gradient descent)



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\begin{aligned}
& { }_{y_{i}=\sigma\left(\sum_{j} w_{i j}^{(k)} x_{j}\right)} \quad \vec{y}=\sigma\left(W^{(k)} \vec{x}\right) \quad \sigma(x)=\frac{1}{2}(x+|x|) \\
& \vec{x}=\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots, x_{j}, \ldots\right)^{T} \quad W^{(k)}=\left(w_{i j}^{(k)}\right)_{i, j}
\end{aligned}
$$

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$$
F_{w}(\vec{x})=\sigma\left(W^{(L)} \cdots \sigma\left(W^{(1)} \sigma\left(W^{(0)} \vec{x}\right) \cdots\right)\right.
$$

## Applied deep learning

- Natural Language Processing (NLP) includes machine translation, processing of natural language queries (e.g. Siri) and question answering wrt. unstructured text (e.g. "where is the ring at the end of LoTR?").
- Two common neural network architectures for NLP are Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) and Long-Short Term Memory (LSTM). Both are variations on the DNN architecture.
- Many hard unsolved NLP problems require sophisticated reasoning about context and an understanding of algorithms. To solve these problems, recent work equips RNNs/LSTMs with "Von Neumann elements" e.g. stack memory.
- RNN/LSTM controllers + differentiable memory is one model of differentiable programming, currently being explored at e.g. Google, Facebook, ...
- These "memory enhanced" neural networks are already being used in production, e.g. Facebook messenger ( $\sim 900 \mathrm{~m}$ users).

Facebook isn't the only company that's working to combine machine-learning algorithms with contextual memory. Google's artificial intelligence lab, DeepMind, has developed a system that it calls the Neural Turing Machine. In an impressive demonstration, Google's Neural Turing Machine learned and taught itself to use a copy-paste algorithm by observing a series of inputs and outputs.

Facebook Chief Technical Officer Mike Schroepfer has called memory "the missing component of A.I." And FAIR research scholar Antoine Bordes, who co-authored the papers on memory networks, told me he believes it could hold the key to finally building bots that interact naturally, in human language. "The way people use language is very difficult for machines, because the machine lacks a lot of the context," Bordes said. "They don't know that much about the world, and they don't know that much about you." But-at last-they're learning.

## What is differentiable programming?

The idea is that a "differentiable" program

$$
P_{w}: I \longrightarrow O
$$

should depend smoothly on weights, and, by varying the weights, one would learn a program with desired properties.

- Question: what if instead of coupling neural net controllers to imperative algorithmic elements (e.g. memory) we couple a neural net to functional algorithmic elements?
- Problem: how to make an abstract functional language like Lambda calculus, System F, etc. differentiable?
- Our idea: use categorical semantics in a category of "differentiable" mathematical objects compatible with neural networks (e.g. matrices of polynomials).


## Linear logic and semantics

- Discovered by Girard in the 1980s, linear logic is a substructural logic with contraction and weakening available only for formulas marked with a new connective "!" (called the exponential).
- The usual connectives of logic (e.g. conjunction, implication) are decomposed into! together with a linearised version of that connective (called resp. tensor $\otimes$, linear implication $\multimap$ ).
- Under the Curry-Howard correspondence, linear logic corresponds to a programming language with "resource management" and symmetric monoidal categories equipped with a special kind of comonad.


## Linear logic and semantics

variables: $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \ldots$

formulas: $!F, F \otimes F^{\prime}, F \multimap F^{\prime}, F \& F^{\prime}, \forall \alpha F$, constants

$$
\text { int }=\forall \alpha!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(\alpha \multimap \alpha)
$$

bint $=\forall \alpha!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(\alpha \multimap \alpha))$

## Deduction rules for linear logic

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { (Axiom): } \overline{A \vdash A} \quad(\mathrm{Cut}): \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Delta^{\prime}, A, \Delta \vdash B}{\Delta^{\prime}, \Gamma, \Delta \vdash B} \mathrm{cut} \quad \text { (Exchange): } \frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, B, A, \Delta \vdash C} \\
& (\text { Left } \otimes): \frac{\Gamma, A, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Gamma, A \otimes B, \Delta \vdash C} \otimes-L \quad(\text { Right } \otimes): \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \Delta \vdash B}{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash A \otimes B} \otimes-R \\
& (\text { Right } \multimap): \frac{A, \Gamma \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash A \multimap B} \multimap R \quad(\text { Left } \multimap): \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \quad \Delta^{\prime}, B, \Delta \vdash C}{\Delta^{\prime}, \Gamma, A \multimap B, \Delta \vdash C} \multimap L \\
& \text { (Promotion): } \frac{!\Gamma \vdash A}{!\Gamma \vdash!A} \text { prom (Dereliction): } \frac{\Gamma, A, \Delta \vdash B}{\Gamma,!A, \Delta \vdash B} \text { der (Weakening): } \frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash B}{\Gamma,!A, \Delta \vdash B} \text { weak } \\
& \text { (Contraction): } \frac{\Gamma,!A,!A, \Delta \vdash B}{\Gamma,!A, \Delta \vdash B} \operatorname{ctr} \quad \frac{\Gamma, A[B / x] \vdash C}{\Gamma, \forall x \cdot A \vdash C} \forall L \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A}{\Gamma \vdash \forall x \cdot A} \forall R
\end{aligned}
$$

## Binary integers

lint $=\forall \alpha!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(\alpha \multimap \alpha))$
$S \in\{0,1\}^{*} \longmapsto$ proof $t_{S}$ of $\vdash$ bent

$$
t_{001}
$$

## Polynomial semantics (sketch)

$$
\begin{gathered}
\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket=\mathbb{R}^{d} \\
\llbracket \alpha \multimap \alpha \rrbracket=L\left(\mathbb{R}^{d}, \mathbb{R}^{d}\right)=M_{d}(\mathbb{R}) \\
\llbracket!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \rrbracket=\mathbb{R}\left[\left\{a_{i j}\right\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq d}\right]=\mathbb{R}\left[a_{11}, \ldots, a_{i j}, \ldots, a_{d d}\right]
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\text { (one variable per entry in a } \mathrm{d} \times \mathrm{d} \text { matrix) }
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\llbracket \text { bint } \rrbracket=\llbracket!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(!(\alpha \multimap \alpha) \multimap(\alpha \multimap \alpha)) \rrbracket \\
=M_{d}\left(\mathbb{R}\left[\left\{a_{i j}, a_{i j}^{\prime}\right\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq d}\right]\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

(matrices of polynomials in the variables $a, a^{\prime}$ )

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$$
\llbracket \mathbf{b i n t} \rrbracket=M_{d}\left(\mathbb{R}\left[\left\{a_{i j}, a_{i j}^{\prime}\right\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq d}\right]\right)
$$

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$$
\begin{gathered}
S \in\{0,1\}^{*} \quad t_{S}: \text { bint, } \llbracket t_{S} \rrbracket \in \llbracket \mathbf{b i n t} \rrbracket \\
\llbracket t_{0} \rrbracket=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1 d} \\
a_{21} & \cdots & a_{2 d} \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
a_{d 1} & \cdots & a_{d d}
\end{array}\right) \quad \llbracket t_{1} \rrbracket=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
a_{11}^{\prime} & \cdots & a_{1 d}^{\prime} \\
a_{21}^{\prime} & \cdots & a_{2 d}^{\prime} \\
\vdots & & \vdots \\
a_{d 1}^{\prime} & \cdots & a_{d d}^{\prime}
\end{array}\right) \\
\llbracket t_{001} \rrbracket=\llbracket t_{0} \rrbracket \cdot \llbracket t_{0} \rrbracket \cdot \llbracket t_{1} \rrbracket
\end{gathered}
$$

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Upshot: proofs/programs to vectors

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$$
T \in \llbracket \text { bint } \rrbracket=M_{d}\left(\mathbb{R}\left[\left\{a_{i j}, a_{i j}^{\prime}\right\}_{1 \leq i, j \leq d}\right]\right)
$$

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$$
\operatorname{eval}_{T}(A, B)=\left.T\right|_{a_{i j}=A_{i j}, a_{i j}^{\prime}=B_{i j}} \quad A, B \in M_{d}(\mathbb{R})
$$



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$$

(matrices of polynomials in the variables a, a')

$$
\operatorname{eval}_{\llbracket t_{0} \rrbracket}(A, B)=A \quad \operatorname{eval}_{\llbracket t_{001} \rrbracket}(A, B)=A A B
$$



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Our model: RNN controller + differentiable "linear logic" module

$T^{(t)} \in \llbracket$ bint $\rrbracket \quad H, S, U, Q_{A}, Q_{B}, Q_{T}$ are matrices of weights

$$
h^{(t)}=\sigma\left(S \operatorname{eval}_{T^{(t)}}\left(A^{(t)}, B^{(t)}\right)+H h^{(t-1)}+U x^{(t)}\right)
$$

$$
A^{(t)}=\sigma\left(Q_{A} h^{(t-1)}\right) \quad B^{(t)}=\sigma\left(Q_{B} h^{(t-1)}\right) \quad T^{(t)}=\sigma\left(Q_{T} h^{(t-1)}\right)
$$

