Single-Layer Network & Probabilities

Consider a two-class classification problem in which the class-conditional densities are given by Gaussian distributions

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\mathbf{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)\right\}$$

with equal cov. matrices $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2 = \Sigma$, where μ_k is a d-dimensional mean vector and Σ is a $d \times d$ covariance matrix. $|\Sigma|$ is the determinant of Σ . Note, Σ must be invertible (non-singular). Location is determined by μ whereas shape is determined by Σ .

We will show that posterior probability $p(C_1|\mathbf{x})$ can be expressed as single layer network output:

$$g(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0)$$
, where $g(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$

Two-dim. Gaussian Distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\mathbf{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0\\0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Two-dim. Gaussian Distribution



Two-dim. Gaussian Distribution (cont.)



Bayes' Theorem and Posterior Probability

Joint probability density function of finding a pattern that has feature value x and is in class C_i can be written as:

$$p(\mathbf{x}, C_i) = p(C_i | \mathbf{x}) p(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x} | C_i) p(C_i) = p(C_i, \mathbf{x})$$

Bayes' theorem to compute the *posterior probability*:

$$p(\mathcal{C}_i | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_i) p(\mathcal{C}_i)}{p(\mathbf{x})}, \qquad p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_i) p(\mathcal{C}_i)$$

The posterior probability for class C_1 can be written as:

$$p(\mathcal{C}_1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1) \, p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1) \, p(\mathcal{C}_1) + p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2) \, p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$$

Bishop's Bayes Example



The red box contains 6 oranges and 2 apples, the blue box contains 1 orange and 3 apples. Suppose we pick the red box 40% of the time and the blue box 60% of the time. Thanks to Bayes' theorem we can answer questions such as:

- What is the overall probability that we pick an apple?
- Given that we have chosen an orange, what is the probability that the box we chose was the blue one?

For the sake of clarity let us introduce random variables B for box and F for fruit. B can take one of the two possibilities B = r (for red) and B = b (for blue); and F = o (for orange) and F = a (for apple).

The prior probability of selecting the red box is

$$p(B=r) = \frac{4}{10}$$

and of selecting the blue box

$$p(B=b) = \frac{6}{10}$$

From given information we can write out all four conditional probabilities of given the selected box and picking the type of fruit.

$$p(F = a | B = r) = \frac{1}{4}$$
$$p(F = o | B = r) = \frac{3}{4}$$
$$p(F = a | B = b) = \frac{3}{4}$$
$$p(F = o | B = b) = \frac{1}{4}$$



Back to our question: What is the overall probability that we pick an apple?

$$p(F = a) = p(F = a|B = r)p(B = r) + p(F = a|B = b)p(B = b)$$
$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{10} + \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{6}{10} = \frac{11}{20}$$

from this it follows that $p(F = o) = 1 - \frac{11}{20} = \frac{9}{20}$. Although there are more oranges in total, picking an apple is more likely.

Back to our second question: Given that we have chosen an orange, what is the probability that the box we chose was the blue one, that is p(B = b|F = o)?

$$p(B = b|F = o) = \frac{p(F = o|B = b)p(B = b)}{p(F = o)} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{6}{10} \cdot \frac{20}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$$

and that we chose the red box:

$$p(B = r|F = o) = \frac{p(F = o|B = r)p(B = r)}{p(F = o)} = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{10} \cdot \frac{20}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$$

The denominator in Bayes' theorem ensures that posterior probability summed over all classes C_i gives 1. In this examples, 1 = p(B = b|F = o) + p(B = r|F = o).

$$p(\mathcal{C}_i | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_i) p(\mathcal{C}_i)}{p(\mathbf{x})}, \qquad p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_i p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_i) p(\mathcal{C}_i)$$

Visualized Fish Posterior Probability



Decide C_1 if $p(\mathbf{x}|C_1) p(C_1) > p(\mathbf{x}|C_2) p(C_2)$, otherwise decide C_2 . This decision rule will divide the input space in regions \mathcal{R}_i such that all points in \mathcal{R}_i are assigned to class C_i .

Bayesian Decision Theory

- How to make an optimal decision given the appropriate probabilities?
- Minimize the error of assigning x to the wrong class.
- Intuitively we would choose the class having the higher posterior probability.

An error occurs when x belonging to class C_1 is assigned to class C_2 or vice versa. The probability of this occurring is given by:

$$p(\text{error}) = p(\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}_1, \mathcal{C}_2) + p(\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}_2, \mathcal{C}_1)$$
$$= \int_{\mathcal{R}_1} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{C}_2) d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\mathcal{R}_2} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{C}_1) d\mathbf{x}$$

Error Probabilities in Bay. Decision Theory



Error Probabilities in Bay. Decision Theory



Error Probabilities in Bay. Decision Theory



Single-Layer Network & Probabilities (cont.)

Posterior probability for class \mathcal{C}_1 can be written as

$$p(\mathcal{C}_1|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1) + p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} = g(a)$$

where

$$a = \ln \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$$

and g(a) is our known sigmoid logistic function. Observe:

$$\frac{1}{1+\exp\left(-\ln\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}\right)} = \frac{1}{1+\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}} = p(\mathcal{C}_1|\mathbf{x}) \quad \boxed{\frac{1}{1+\frac{a}{b}} = \frac{b}{b+a}}$$

Single-Layer Network & Probabilities (cont.)

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\mathbf{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)\right\}$$
(1)

Substitute (1) in $a = \ln \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$ gives $a = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0$ where

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)$$

$$w_0 = -\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\mu}_1^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\mu}_2^T \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \ln \frac{p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$$

Network output $g(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + w_0) = p(\mathcal{C}_1 | \mathbf{x})$ gives posterior probability. Observe that quadratic terms in \mathbf{x} from $\exp\{\cdot\}$ have cancelled. This leads to a linear function of \mathbf{x} and gives decision boundaries that are linear.

Single-Layer Network & Priors



$$p(\mathcal{C}_1) = p(\mathcal{C}_2)$$

 $p(\mathcal{C}_1) = 3/4, \ p(\mathcal{C}_2) = 1/4$

Perceptron

Note, so far we have not seen a method for finding the weight vector \mathbf{w} to obtain a linearly separation of the training set.

Let g(a) be (sign) activation function

$$g(a) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } a < 0 \\ +1 & \text{if } a \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

and decision function

$$y = g\left(\sum_{i=0}^{d} w_i x_i\right) = g(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}) \to \{-1, +1\}$$

Note: x_0 is set to +1, that is, $\mathbf{x} = (1, x_1, \dots, x_d)$. Training pattern consists of $(\mathbf{x}, t) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \{-1, +1\}$

Training the Perceptron

Training problem for the Perceptron is to find weight vector such that:

 $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge 0 \qquad \text{for every input pattern } \mathbf{x} \text{ belonging to class } \{+1\}$ $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} < 0 \qquad \text{for every input pattern } \mathbf{x} \text{ belonging to class } \{-1\}$

where the weights are updated whenever training example is missclassified, that is,

•
$$\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{new}} = \mathbf{w} - \eta \mathbf{x}$$
, if $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge 0$ and $t \in \{-1\}$

• $\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{new}} = \mathbf{w} + \eta \mathbf{x}$, if $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} < 0$ and $t \in \{+1\}$

• no correction if correctly classified

Weight correction learning rule can be summarized as:

$$\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{new}} = \mathbf{w} + \eta \mathbf{x} t$$
 if \mathbf{x} is missclassified

Perceptron Learning Algorithm

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input : (\mathbf{x}_1, t_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, t_N) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \{-1, +1\}, \eta \in
                 \mathbb{R}_+, max.epoch \in \mathbb{N}
output: w
begin
     Randomly initialize w
     epoch \leftarrow 0
     repeat
           for i \leftarrow 1 to N do
         \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{if} \ t_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) \le 0 \ \mathbf{then} \\ \ \mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} + \eta \mathbf{x}_i \ t_i \end{vmatrix}
           epoch \leftarrow epoch + 1
     until (epoch = max.epoch) or (no change in \mathbf{w})
     return w
end
```

Training the Perceptron (cont.)

Geometrical explanation: If x belongs to $\{+1\}$ and $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} < 0 \Rightarrow$ angle between x and w is greater than 90° , rotate w in direction of x to bring missclassified x into the positive half space defined by w. Same idea if x belongs to $\{-1\}$ and $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} \ge 0$.



Perceptron Error Reduction

Recall: missclassifcation results in:

$$\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{new}} = \mathbf{w} + \eta \mathbf{x} t,$$

this reduces the error since



How often one has to cycle through the patterns in the training set?

• A finite number of steps?

Perceptron Convergence Theorem

Proposition 1 Given a finite and linearly separable training set. The perceptron converges after some finite steps.

Proof: (see chalkboard)

Perceptron Algorithm (R-code)

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perceptron <- function(w,X,t,eta,max.epoch) {</pre>
N \leq nrow(X)/2;
 epoch <- 0;
 repeat {
   w.old <- w;
   for (i in 1:(2*N)) {
     if ( t[i]*y(X[i,],w) \le 0 )
      w <- w + eta * t[i] * X[i,];</pre>
   }
   epoch <- epoch + 1;</pre>
   if ( identical(w.old,w) || epoch = max.epoch ) {
     break; # terminate if no change in weights or max.epoch reached
   }
 }
 return (w);
}
```

Perceptron Algorithm Visualization



One epoch

terminate if no change in $\ensuremath{\mathbf{w}}$

Perceptron Algorithm Visualization



One epoch

terminate if no change in $\ensuremath{\mathbf{w}}$

Least Mean Square

Let us consider the weight correction in terms of an error function $E^{(i)} = \frac{1}{2} (\underbrace{y^{(i)}}_{g(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})} - t^{(i)})^2$, where $g(\cdot)$ is a differentiable

function. Apply gradient descent rule

$$\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \eta \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}, \text{ where } \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \underbrace{(y^{(i)} - t^{(i)})}_{\delta^{(i)}} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$$

gives change in weights

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = -\eta \delta^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = -\eta \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$

Delta rule \equiv {Adaline rule, Widrow-Hoff rule, Least Mean Square (LMS) }

Least Mean Square

Note, if we choose g(a) = a to be the linear activation function $\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$, then there exists a closed analytical solution (pseudo-inverse solution).

Let g(a) be a differentiable non-linear activation function, where $a = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$.

$$\frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \delta^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, \text{ where } \quad \delta^{(i)} = g'(a)(y^{(i)} - t^{(i)})$$

gives change in weights

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = -\eta \delta^{(i)} \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = -\eta \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$

LMS Online/Batch Learning

Online learning:

• Update weight $\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \eta \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$ (pattern by pattern).

This type of online learning is also called *stochastic gradient descent*, it is an approximation of the true gradient.

Batch learning:

• Update weight $\mathbf{w}^{(i+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(i)} - \eta \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\partial E^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$ by computing derivatives for each pattern separately and then sum over all patterns.

Minimum Squared Error and Pseudoinverse

Recall that we want to minimize the squared error

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{2} \left(y^{(i)} - t^{(i)} \right)^2 \quad \text{where } y^{(i)} = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$$

Let X be the $N \times \tilde{d}$ matrix where $\tilde{d} = d + 1$ and *i*th row denotes training pattern $\mathbf{x}^{(i)T}$, w is weight vector, t class label vector.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{10} & x_{11} & \cdots & x_{1d} \\ x_{20} & x_{21} & \cdots & x_{2d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{N0} & x_{N1} & \cdots & x_{Nd} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t_0 \\ t_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ t_N \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{Xw} = \mathbf{t}$$

MSE and Pseudoinverse (cont.)

Problem: find weight vector \mathbf{w} , that is, solve $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{t}$.

If X is non-singular solve $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{X}^{-1}\mathbf{t}$, however, if X is rectangular (which is usually the case), then there are more equations than unknowns, that is, the equation system is overdetermined.

Let us search for $\ensuremath{\mathbf{w}}$ that minimizes the error

$$e = Xw - t$$

one approach is to minimize the squared length of the error vector $\ensuremath{\mathbf{e}}$

$$J(\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}) = \|\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{t}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} - t^{(i)}\right)^2$$

MSE and Pseudoinverse (cont.)

Forming the gradient

$$\nabla J = \sum_{i=1}^{N} 2\left(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)} - t^{(i)}\right) \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = 2\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{t})$$

and setting ∇J to zero gives $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{t}$. Observe that $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ is a $\tilde{d} \times \tilde{d}$ matrix which often is non-singular. In the non-singular case, one can solve \mathbf{w} uniquely as

$$\mathbf{w} = \left(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{t}$$
$$= \mathbf{X}^{\dagger} \mathbf{t}$$

The $\tilde{d} \times N$ matrix $\mathbf{X}^{\dagger} \equiv (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$ is called *pseudoinverse* of \mathbf{X} .

Linear Separability

Decision boundaries of single-layer networks are linear (hyperplanar in higher dimensions).

- Very restricted class of decision boundaries
- Examples:





XOR-Problem

Points are not linearly separable

Probability for Linear Separability

- Probability that a random set of points will be linearly separable
- Suppose we have N points distributed at random in d dimensions in general position (not collinear)
- Randomly assign each of the points to one of the two classes C_1 and C_2 (with eq. probability)
- For N data points there are 2^N possible class assignments (dichotomies \equiv binary partitions)

Question: What fraction F(N, d) of these dichotomies is linearly separable?

Probability for Linear Separability (cont.)

$$F(N,d) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } N \leq d+1 \\ \frac{1}{2^{N-1}} \sum_{i=0}^{d} \binom{N-1}{i} & \text{when } N \geq d+1 \end{cases}$$



If number of points is $\leq d + 1$, then any labeling leads to a separable problem.