Informatics 1 Cognitive Science

Lecture 5: The Perceptron

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Structure of a Typical Neuron



- A neuron receives inputs and combines these in the cell body.
- If the input reaches a threshold, then the neuron may fire (produce an output).
- Some inputs are excitatory, while others are inhibitory.

Biological Neural Networks



- In biological neural networks, neurons are connected by synapses.
- An input connection is a conduit through which a neuron receives information.
- An output connection is a conduit through which a neural sends information.

Neural Networks

Neural networks (aka deep learning) is a computer modeling approach inspired by information processing in networks of biological neurons.



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But what you see here still isn't a network. Something is missing.

Network connections are conduits through which information flows between the units in a network:



- Connections are represented with lines
- Arrows in a neural net indicate the flow of information from one unit to the next.

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Activation state: 0 or 1 (-1 or 1)

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- Inputs are in the range [0, 1], where 0 is "off" and 1 is "on".
- Weights can be any real number (positive or negative).



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Perceptron for AND



We can easily devise perceptrons that compute the logical functions AND and OR. Can we compute all logical functions? What about XOR?

input

 $\frac{x_1}{0}$

0

1

X2

0

1

0

output y =

 x_1 AND x_2

0

0

0



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Perceptrons as Classifiers

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Perceptrons are linear classifiers, i.e., they separate data points with a hyperplane (in two dimensions, that's a straight line).



The XOR problem again

The XOR function is not linearly separable, as more than one line is required to separate the two classes $\{(0,0), (1,1)\}$ and $\{(0,1), (1,0)\}$. A single-layer perceptron cannot compute XOR.



Learning in Perceptrons

- Q_1 : But choosing weights and threshold θ for the perceptron is not easy! How to learn the weights and threshold from examples?
- A1: We can use a learning algorithm that adjusts the weights and threshold based on examples.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vGwemZhPlsA&feature=youtu.be

Learning: A trick to learn θ



- We can consider θ as a weight to be learned!
- The input is fixed as -1. The activation function is then:

$$y = f(u(x)) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } u(x) > 0\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Sequence of exemplars presented to the perceptron during training:

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- But we know the perceptron's output *o* and can compare it to the correct answer, the target *t*

Key idea: Adjust the weights so that o (the output of the perceptron) moves closer to t (the target, i.e., the desired correct output):

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$
 $\Delta w_i = \eta (t - o) x_i$

- $\eta,\,0<\eta\leq 1$ is a constant called learning rate.
- *t* is the target for the current example.
- *o* is the perceptron output for the current example.

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- Learning rate η is positive; controls how big changes Δw_i are.
- If x_i > 0, Δw_i > 0 then w_i increases in an attempt to make w_ix_i become larger than θ.
- If $x_i < 0$, $\Delta w_i < 0$ then w_i reduces.

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- 1: Initialize all weights randomly.
- 2: repeat
- 3: **for** each training example **do**
- 4: Apply the learning rule.
- 5: end for
- 6: **until** the error is acceptable or a certain number of iterations is reached

This algorithm is guaranteed to find a solution with zero error in a limited number of iterations as long as the examples are linearly separable.

- Neural networks (aka deep learning) is a computer modeling approach inspired by networks of biological neurons.
- A neural net consists of units and connections.
- The perceptron is the simplest neural network model; it is a linear classifier.
- A learning algorithm for perceptrons exists: adjust the weights by comparing target output to actual output.
- Key limitation: only works for linearly separable data.