

CS 188: Artificial Intelligence

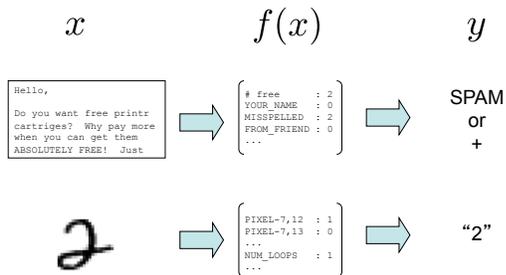
Lecture 21: Perceptrons

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Outline

- Generative vs. Discriminative
- Binary Linear Classifiers
- Perceptron
- Multi-class Linear Classifiers
- Multi-class Perceptron
- Fixing the Perceptron: MIRA
- Support Vector Machines*

Classification: Feature Vectors



Generative vs. Discriminative

- **Generative classifiers:**
 - E.g. naïve Bayes
 - A causal model with evidence variables
 - Query model for causes given evidence
- **Discriminative classifiers:**
 - No causal model, no Bayes rule, often no probabilities at all!
 - Try to predict the label Y directly from X
 - Robust, accurate with varied features
 - Loosely: **mistake driven rather than model driven**

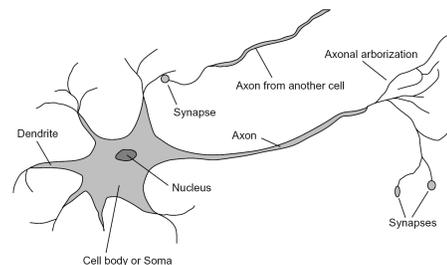
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Some (Simplified) Biology

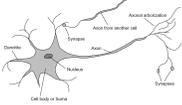
- Very loose inspiration: human neurons



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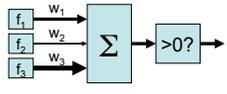
Linear Classifiers

- Inputs are **feature values**
- Each feature has a **weight**
- Sum is the **activation**



$$\text{activation}_w(x) = \sum_i w_i \cdot f_i(x) = w \cdot f(x)$$

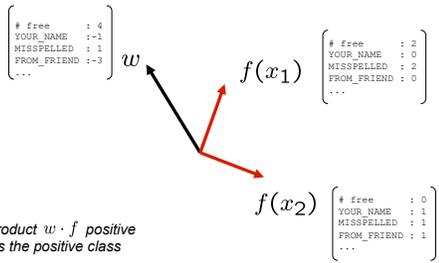
- If the activation is:
 - Positive, output +1
 - Negative, output -1



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Classification: Weights

- Binary case: compare features to a weight vector
- Learning: figure out the weight vector from examples



Dot product $w \cdot f$ positive means the positive class

Linear Classifiers Mini Exercise

$$f(x_1) = \begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ free} : 2 \\ \text{YOUR_NAME} : 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad f(x_2) = \begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ free} : 4 \\ \text{YOUR_NAME} : 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad f(x_3) = \begin{bmatrix} \# \text{ free} : 1 \\ \text{YOUR_NAME} : 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Draw the 4 feature vectors and the weight vector w
- Which feature vectors are classified as +? As - ?
- Draw the line separating feature vectors being classified + and -.

Linear Classifiers Mini Exercise 2 --- Bias Term

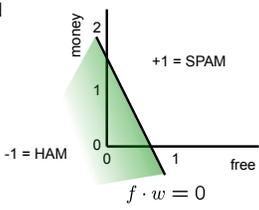
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$$w = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Binary Decision Rule

- In the space of feature vectors
 - Examples are points
 - Any weight vector is a hyperplane
 - One side corresponds to $Y=+1$
 - Other corresponds to $Y=-1$



w
 BIAS : -3
 free : 4
 money : 2
 ...

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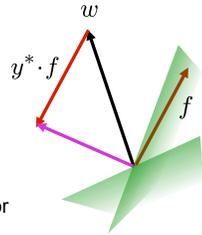
Binary Perceptron Update

- Start with zero weights
- For each training instance:
 - Classify with current weights

$$y = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } w \cdot f(x) \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } w \cdot f(x) < 0 \end{cases}$$

- If correct (i.e., $y=y^*$), no change!
- If wrong: adjust the weight vector by adding or subtracting the feature vector. Subtract if y^* is -1.

$$w = w + y^* \cdot f$$



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Multiclass Decision Rule

- If we have multiple classes:
 - A weight vector for each class:

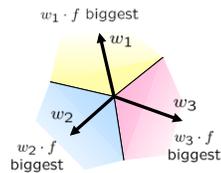
$$w_y$$

- Score (activation) of a class y :

$$w_y \cdot f(x)$$

- Prediction highest score wins

$$y = \arg \max_y w_y \cdot f(x)$$



Binary = multiclass where the negative class has weight zero

Example Exercise --- Which Category is Chosen?

“win the vote” →

BIAS	: 1
win	: 1
game	: 0
vote	: 1
the	: 1
...	

w_{SPORTS}

$w_{POLITICS}$

w_{TECH}

BIAS	: -2
win	: 4
game	: 4
vote	: 0
the	: 0
...	

BIAS	: 1
win	: 2
game	: 0
vote	: 4
the	: 0
...	

BIAS	: 2
win	: 0
game	: 2
vote	: 0
the	: 0
...	

Exercise: Multiclass linear classifier for 2 classes and binary linear classifier

- Consider the multiclass linear classifier for two classes with $w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- Is there an equivalent binary linear classifier, i.e., one that classifies all points $x = (x_1, x_2)$ the same way?

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Learning Multiclass Perceptron

- Start with zero weights
- Pick up training instances one by one
- Classify with current weights

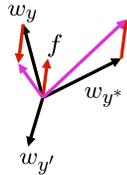
$$y = \arg \max_y w_y \cdot f(x)$$

$$= \arg \max_y \sum_i w_{y,i} \cdot f_i(x)$$

- If correct, no change!
- If wrong: lower score of wrong answer, raise score of right answer

$$w_y = w_y - f(x)$$

$$w_{y^*} = w_{y^*} + f(x)$$



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Example

“win the vote”
 “win the election”
 “win the game”

w_{SPORTS}

BIAS :
win :
game :
vote :
the :
...

$w_{POLITICS}$

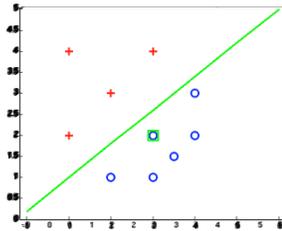
BIAS :
win :
game :
vote :
the :
...

w_{TECH}

BIAS :
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Examples: Perceptron

- Separable Case



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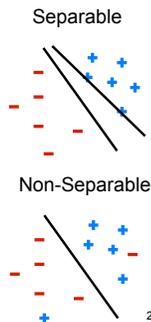
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Properties of Perceptrons

- Separability: some parameters get the training set perfectly correct
- Convergence: if the training is separable, perceptron will eventually converge (binary case)
- Mistake Bound: the maximum number of mistakes (binary case) related to the *margin* or degree of separability

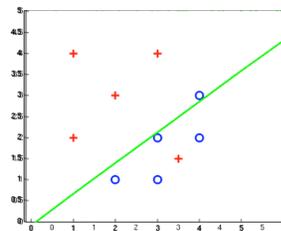
$$\text{mistakes} < \frac{k}{\delta^2}$$



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Examples: Perceptron

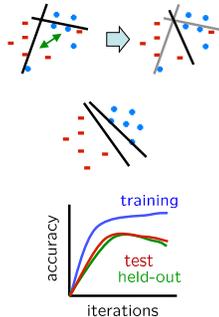
- Non-Separable Case



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Problems with the Perceptron

- Noise: if the data isn't separable, weights might thrash
 - Averaging weight vectors over time can help (averaged perceptron)
- Mediocre generalization: finds a "barely" separating solution
- Overtraining: test / held-out accuracy usually rises, then falls
 - Overtraining is a kind of overfitting



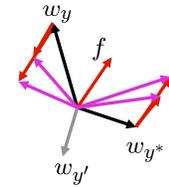
Fixing the Perceptron

- Idea: adjust the weight update to mitigate these effects
- MIRA*: choose an update size that fixes the current mistake...
- ... but, minimizes the change to w

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \sum_y \|w_y - w'_y\|^2$$

$$w_{y^*} \cdot f(x) \geq w_y \cdot f(x) + 1$$

- The +1 helps to generalize
- Margin Infused Relaxed Algorithm



Gussed y instead of y^* on example x with features $f(x)$

$$w_y = w'_y - \tau f(x)$$

$$w_{y^*} = w'_{y^*} + \tau f(x)$$

Minimum Correcting Update

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \sum_y \|w_y - w'_y\|^2$$

$$w_{y^*} \cdot f \geq w_y \cdot f + 1$$

$$\min_{\tau} \|\tau f\|^2$$

$$w_{y^*} \cdot f \geq w_y \cdot f + 1$$

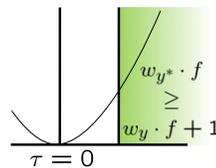
$$\min_{\tau} \tau^2$$

$$(w'_{y^*} + \tau f) \cdot f \geq (w'_y - \tau f) \cdot f + 1$$

$$\tau = \frac{(w'_y - w'_{y^*}) \cdot f + 1}{2f \cdot f}$$

$$w_y = w'_y - \tau f(x)$$

$$w_{y^*} = w'_{y^*} + \tau f(x)$$

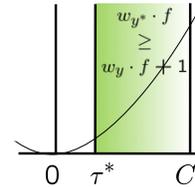


min not $\tau=0$, or would not have made an error, so min will be where equality holds

Maximum Step Size

- In practice, it's also bad to make updates that are too large
 - Example may be labeled incorrectly
 - You may not have enough features
 - Solution: cap the maximum possible value of τ with some constant C

$$\tau^* = \min \left(\frac{(w'_y - w'_{y^*}) \cdot f + 1}{2f \cdot f}, C \right)$$



- Corresponds to an optimization that assumes non-separable data
- Usually converges faster than perceptron
- Usually better, especially on noisy data

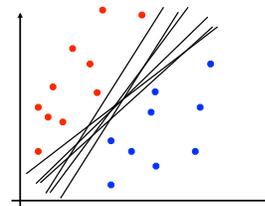
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Linear Separators

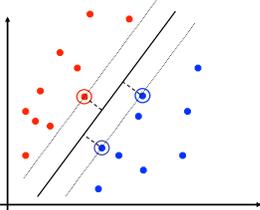
- Which of these linear separators is optimal?



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Support Vector Machines

- **Maximizing the margin:** good according to intuition, theory, practice
- Only **support vectors** matter; other training examples are ignorable
- Support vector machines (SVMs) find the separator with max margin
- Basically, SVMs are MIRA where you optimize over all examples at once



MIRA

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \|w - w'\|^2$$

$$w_{y^*} \cdot f(x_i) \geq w_y \cdot f(x_i) + 1$$

SVM

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2$$

$$\forall i, y \quad w_{y^*} \cdot f(x_i) \geq w_y \cdot f(x_i) + 1$$

Mini-Exercise: Give Example Dataset that Would be Overfit by SVM, MIRA and running perceptron till convergence

- Could running perceptron less steps lead to better generalization?

Classification: Comparison

- **Naïve Bayes**
 - Builds a model training data
 - Gives prediction probabilities
 - Strong assumptions about feature independence
 - One pass through data (counting)
- **Perceptrons / MIRA:**
 - Makes less assumptions about data
 - Mistake-driven learning
 - Multiple passes through data (prediction)
 - Often more accurate

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Extension: Web Search

$x = \text{"Apple Computers"}$

- **Information retrieval:**
 - Given information needs, produce information
 - Includes, e.g. web search, question answering, and classic IR
- **Web search: not exactly classification, but rather ranking**




Feature-Based Ranking

$x = \text{"Apple Computers"}$


 $f(x, \text{Apple}) = [0.3 \ 5 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots]$

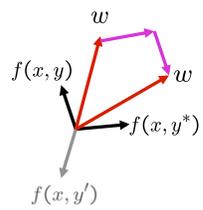

 $f(x, \text{Apple Inc.}) = [0.8 \ 4 \ 2 \ 1 \ \dots]$

Perceptron for Ranking

- Inputs x
- Candidates y
- Many feature vectors: $f(x, y)$
- One weight vector: w
 - Prediction:

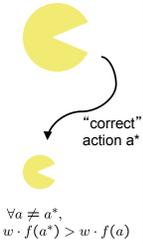
$$y = \arg \max_y w \cdot f(x, y)$$
 - Update (if wrong):

$$w = w + f(x, y^*) - f(x, y)$$



Pacman Apprenticeship!

- Examples are states s



- Candidates are pairs (s,a)
- “Correct” actions: those taken by expert
- Features defined over (s,a) pairs: $f(s,a)$
- Score of a q-state (s,a) given by:

$$w \cdot f(s, a)$$

- How is this VERY different from reinforcement learning?

