Problem Solutions

e-Chapter 7

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Problem 7.1

To solve this problem, we first begin by separating the positive decision region into two components: the lower one corresponding to $x_2 \in [-1, 1]$ and the upper one corresponding to $x_2 \in [1, 2]$. To define the decision region, we need 7 perceptrons, namely

$$h_1(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_2 - 2), \ h_2(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_2 - 1), \ h_3(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_2 + 1),$$

for the horizontal lines, and

$$h_4(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_1 + 2), \ h_5(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_1 + 1), \ h_6(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_1 - 1), \ h_7(x) = \operatorname{sign}(x_1 - 2)$$

for the vertical lines. We are now able to define the lower decision region by $\overline{h_2}h_3h_4\overline{h_7}$, and the upper decision region by $\overline{h_1}h_2h_5\overline{h_6}$, which means that the total decision region is defined by

$$f = \overline{h_2}h_3h_4\overline{h_7} + \overline{h_1}h_2h_5\overline{h_6}$$

which actually characterizes a 3-layer perceptron.