

CM146, Fall 2018
Problem Set 2: Perceptron and Regression
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3 Problem 3

(a) Problem 3a

Solution:

Take a hyperplane $H = \vec{w}'^T \vec{x} + \theta'$. The margin m is the distance between the two closest samples, one positive 'A' and one negative 'B', on either side of the hyperplane.

$$A = \vec{w}'^T \vec{x}_a + \theta' \geq 0 > B = \vec{w}'^T \vec{x}_b + \theta'$$

Since the data is linearly separable, there exists an H that separates the data. An optimal H would lie exactly halfway inside the margin.

The magnitude of m can be represented as:

$$\frac{|A - \frac{m}{2}|}{\|\vec{w}'\|} = \frac{|B - \frac{m}{2}|}{\|\vec{w}'\|}$$

$$A - \frac{m}{2} = -B + \frac{m}{2}$$

$$m = A + B$$

Thus,

$$A - \frac{m}{2} \geq 0 > B - \frac{m}{2}$$

We can rewrite the hyperplane H as $H = \vec{w}'^T \vec{x} + \theta' - \frac{m}{2} = 0$

With an optimal H ,

$$\min\{\vec{w}'^T \vec{x} + \theta' - \frac{m}{2}\} = \frac{A-B}{2} \text{ where } y=1$$

$$B = \max\{\vec{w}'^T \vec{x} + \theta' - \frac{m}{2}\} = \frac{B-A}{2} \text{ where } y=-1$$

Inserting y , it holds true that

$$y(\vec{w}'^T \vec{x} + \theta' - \frac{m}{2}) \geq \frac{A-B}{2}$$

$$y(\frac{2\vec{w}'^T}{m} \vec{x} + \frac{2(\theta' - \frac{m}{2})}{m}) \geq 1$$

Thus, from the original equation

$$y(\vec{w}^T \vec{x} + \theta) \geq 1 - \delta$$

$$\text{if } \vec{w}^T = \frac{2\vec{w}'^T}{m} \text{ and } \theta = \frac{2(\theta' - \frac{m}{2})}{m}$$

then $\delta = 0$

(b) Problem 3b

Solution:

If $0 < \delta < 1$, the data is linearly separable. If $\delta = 1$, the data may or may not be separable. In this case, if both positive and negative values lie on the line, it is inseparable. If $\delta > 1$, the data is inseparable.

(c) Problem 3c

Solution:

$\delta = 0$ is the optimal value of δ given the $\delta \geq 0$ constraint and the minimization goal. Then \vec{w}^T and θ can be 0 as well. The problem is that this solution would not yield a separating hyperplane.

(d) Problem 3d

Solution:

$$y(\vec{w}^T \vec{x} + \theta) \geq 1 - \delta$$

Two distinct points are always linearly separable so $\delta = 0$.

$$\vec{x}_1^T : 1 * (1 * w_1 + 1 * w_2 + 1 * w_3) + \theta \geq 1$$

$$\vec{x}_1^T : -1 * ((-1) * w_1 + (-1) * w_2 + (-1) * w_3) + \theta \geq 1$$

Simplified:

$$\vec{x}_1^T : w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + \theta \geq 1$$

$$\vec{x}_1^T : w_1 + w_2 + w_3 - \theta \geq 1$$

One possible solution of (w, θ, δ) is

$$w = [1, 1, 1] \quad \theta = 1 \quad \delta = 0$$

which is optimal because δ is minimized under the constraint of $\delta \geq 0$.