

50.021 -AI

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Week 01: Discriminative ML - quick intro

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Homework - we start in class - momentum, RMSProp, AdaDelta

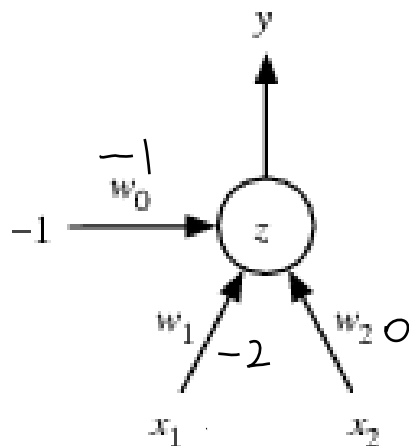
1. Implement the momentum training rule as described in lecture in the file `quadform.py`; edit the method `update_m`. You can set the value of the `self.momentum` factor in the `__init__` method of `quadform2D`. At the bottom of the file, you will find a list of testing functions that illustrate the effects on performance.
2. Implement the RMSProp training rule as described in lecture in the file `quadform2.py`; edit the method `update_r`. You can set the value of the `self.rmspropconst` factor in the `__init__` method of `quadform2D`. Note that we have provided an initialization for the first step. At the bottom of the file, you will find a list of testing functions that illustrate the effects on performance.
3. Implement the AdaDelta training rule as described in lecture in the file `quadform3.py`; edit the method `update_a`. You can set the value of the `self.rmspropconst` factor in the `__init__` method of `quadform2D`. At the bottom of the file, you will find a list of testing functions that illustrate the effects on performance.

Homework - another activation I

For this problem, we will consider the simple type of unit shown below. The output of the unit $g(z)$ is computed as follows:

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} z & \text{if } |z| < 1 \\ \text{sign}(z) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$z = -w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_2$$

$$w_0 = -1, \quad w_1 = -2, \quad w_2 = 0$$



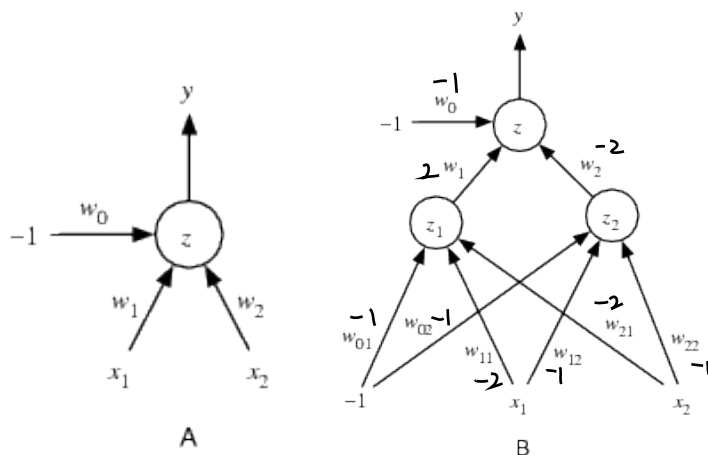
x_1	x_2	z	Y
0	0	1	Positive
0	1	1	Positive
1	0	-1	Negative
1	1	-1	Negative

We can use this type of unit to classify our inputs by assigning any input for which the output is greater than or equal to 0 as positive and for which the output is less than 0 to negative.

Given the four data points: Positive: (0,0), (0,1) Negative: (1,0), (1,1), choose weights for this unit so the weights w_0, w_1, w_2 that can separate these points.

Homework - another activation II

Given the four data points: Positive: (0,0), (1,1) Negative: (0,1), (1,0) (not the same as above!) and the following two networks, using the type of unit defined above.



x_1	x_2	z_1	z_2	z_3	Y
0	0	1	1	1	Positive
1	1	0	0	1	Positive
1	0	0	1	0	Negative
0	1	0	1	0	Negative

- Task: Can either of the two networks above successfully classify them? Explain why (and which ones) or why not.
- Task: Derive the stochastic gradient-descent rule for a single unit of this type. This learning rule is incremental, meaning it updates

the weights for each individual training point. Thus, we will consider the error at a single training example, i . Assume that the input vector has been augmented so that the zero-th dimension of the vector x : x_0 is always -1 for every datapoint. That way we don't need a separate rule for the constant weight terms. By that we obtain: $z = w_0x_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_2$.

Assume we use the usual quadratic error. Note that the derivative of $g(z)$ is discontinuous, which is undesirable, but answer the question ignoring this issue.