

B529: Homework 1

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Question 1

Please use the perceptron algorithm to manually find a weight vector $\mathbf{w} = [w_0, w_1, w_2]^T$ for linear classification of 3 data points (\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) satisfying $\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i) = y_i$. The input data is

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = (1, 2, 2)^T \quad y_1 = +1$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = (1, 1, 2)^T \quad y_2 = +1$$

$$\mathbf{x}_3 = (1, 2, 0)^T \quad y_3 = -1$$

The first element in vector \mathbf{x} is always $x_0 = 1$ (See slides in lecture 1).

In the first step of the perceptron algorithm, the initial assignment of \mathbf{w} is $[0, 6, 6]^T$. Please provide the intermediate steps of the computation. (30 points)

Answer 1

- Step 1: $\mathbf{w} = [0, 6, 6]^T$
- Step 2:

$$\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_1) = \text{sign} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(24) = 1$$

$$\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_2) = \text{sign} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(18) = 1$$

$$\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_3) = \text{sign} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(12) \neq -1$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} + y_3 \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + -1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Step 2: iteration

$$\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_1) = \text{sign} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(19) = 1$$

$$\text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_2) = \text{sign} \left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(15) = 1$$

$$\text{sign}(\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}_1) = \text{sign} \left([-1 \quad 4 \quad 6] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{sign}(7) \neq -1$$

$$\boldsymbol{w} = \boldsymbol{w} + y_3 \boldsymbol{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} + -1 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$