Topics in Machine Learning

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- Let me know if you don't find a spot to work

Recap

- Modern trainable systems consist of millions of artificial neurons that are very similar to a Perceptron
- Multiple layers allow to learn interaction between several variables
- So the learned function does not need to be monotone
- Real data has some elements of AND and OR
- If we teach perceptrons to learn combinations of AND and OR in the data, we can teach them to learn anything!

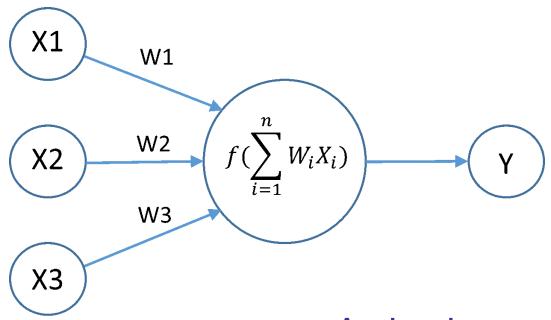
Where we Are

- We know how perceptrons operate
- We know what they can learn
- We know how to find solutions analytically
 - in some "easy" situations (e.g. symmetric monotone boolean functions)
- Next: general perceptron training algorithm
- After Next: so we can train them to recognize hand-written digits (MNIST)

Next: Getting Rid of Bias

- So our algorithm is more simple/uniform:
 - We don't need to handle bias in a different way as we handle W-s
- As we will see ...

Recall A Single Neuron



- Inputs: {X1,X2,...}
- Prediction: Y = f(a)

• Activations: $a = \sum_{i=1}^{n} W_i X_i$

What is a Bias

- Sometime the nonlinearity function f() can also have a bias b added to the activation
- As it is in the perceptron:
- $Y = 1 \text{ for } W1^*X1 + W2^*X2 + b >= 0, 0$ otherwise
- It helps to shift the typical activation values up or down as needed
- But it also makes the formula more

complex

Instead: Introducing another Weight

- a = W1*X1 + W2*X2 + W3*X3
- We will always set values X3 = 1
- This way W3 plays the same role as b
- So we don't need b
- Instead we have one more weight to train
- Updated output formula:
- Y = 1 if W1*X1 + W2*X2 + W3*X3 >= 0, and 0 otherwise

Perceptron Training Algorithm

```
Inputs:
       training examples: label, features X[]
       perceptron with any initial weights W[]
Outputs:
       perceptron with trained weights W[]
Algorithm:
While error exists:
       For all training examples do:
              error = label - prediction
        For i from 1 to length(W) do:
               W[i] += learning_rate * error * X[i]
```

Terminology: and Epoch

- An epoch is one complete presentation of the training data set
- Recall: in real applications we also use testing set which is different from training set
- This is to simulate real-life conditions when your trained system will encounter new data

Exercise: Apply it to Boolean OR

X1	X2	Yt
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	1

- We will start with initial values
 W1 = W2 = W3 = 0
- We will use learning_rate of 1.
- Yt is "target label" or simply "label"
- Correct the small typo in the exercise printed, should be W[i] += error * X[i]

Very First Training Iteration

update rule: W[i] += error * X[i] initial W1,W2,W3 = (0,0,0)

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$$0*0 + 0*0 + 0*1$$

•
$$X2 = ?$$

= 0

•
$$X3 = ?$$

• error =
$$Yt - Y =$$

•
$$W2 = ?$$

•
$$W3 = ?$$

Observations

- X1 and X2: we can only have 0 or 1
- X3: we will always have 1
 - Recall this is how we implement a bias!
- error: can be?{-1,0,1}
- if error = -1, that means our perceptron "overshoots"
- So W-s are decreased
- But only those that connect X-s that are 1
- For X-s that are 0s, W-s are not changed

To Check

 What will be the error if we had submitted the same training example again?

Second Training Iteration

update rule: W[i] += error * X[i] prior W1,W2,W3 = (0,0,-1)

• Yt = ?

-1+1 = 0

• error = Yt - Y =

Observations

- if error = 1, that means our perceptron "undershoots"
- So W-s are increased
- But only those that connect X-s that are 1
- For X-s that are 0s, W-s are not changed
- The weights became (1, 0, 0)
- Since positive X1 was positive, so its weight went up

Third Training Iteration

update rule: W[i] += error * X[i] prior W1,W2,W3 = (1,0,0)

$$1*0 + 0*1 + 0*1$$

$$X2 = ? = 0$$

•
$$X3 = ?$$

• error =
$$Yt - Y =$$

Observations

- if error = 0
- We don't need to change anything!
- Does it mean we are done?
- No!
- Since some other training examples still may result in errors

Fourth Training Iteration

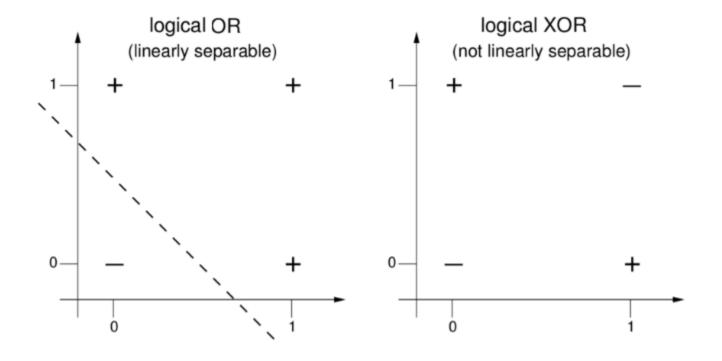
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• Yt = ?

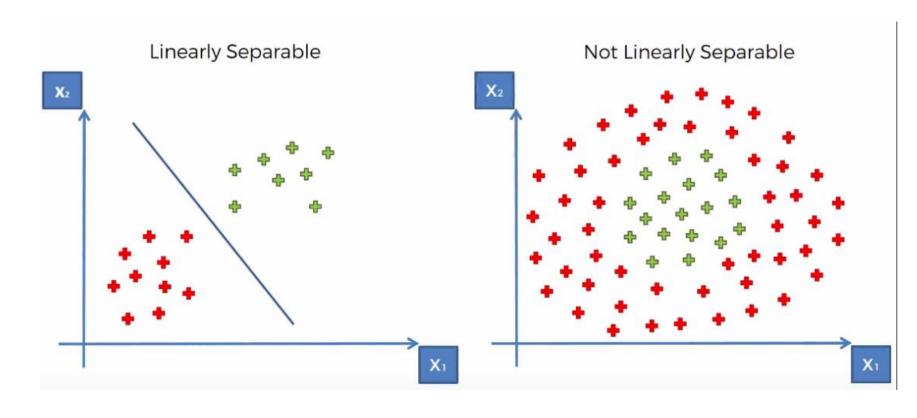
Math Properties

- The algorithm converges to 0 error solution if the dataset is linearly separable (examples follow)
- Otherwise, it does not converge
- Most real life datasets are not linearly separable
- So, a compromise needs to be found
- Typically, convergence is forced by gradually decreasing learning rate

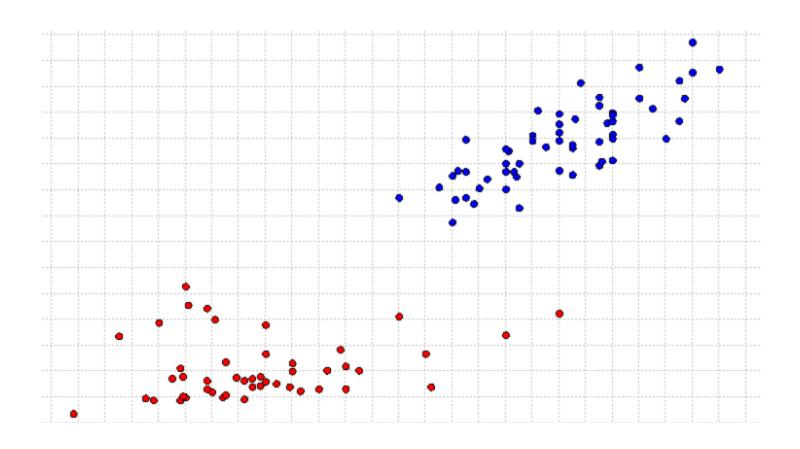
Examples: OR vs XOR



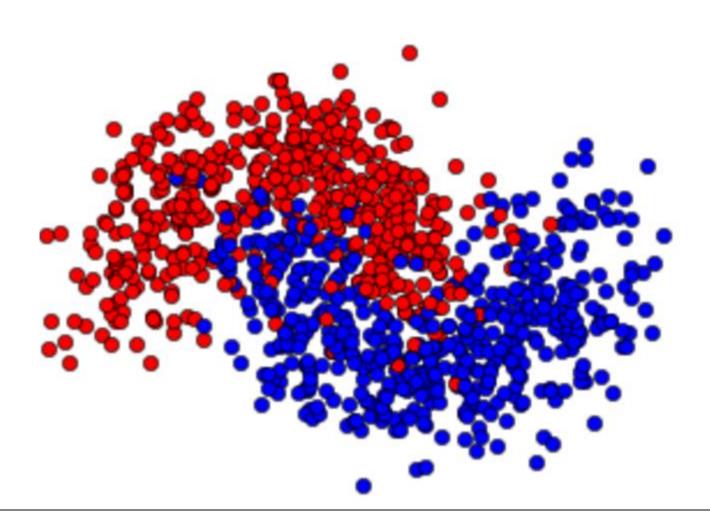
More realistic examples



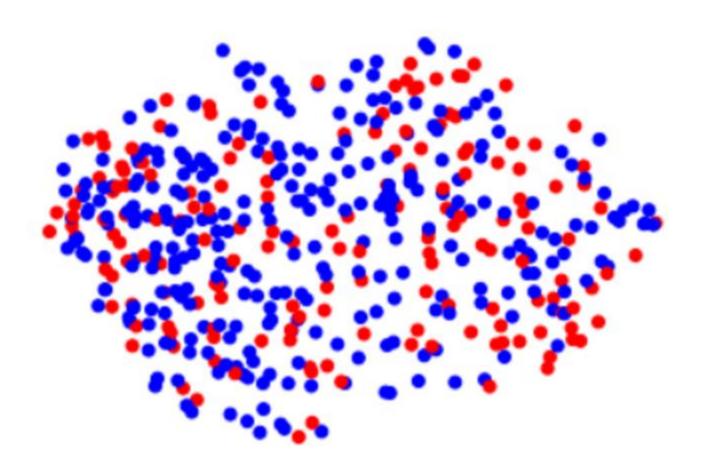
How about this?



And this?



And finally this?



MNIST task



















Data Format

















Things To Note:

- 28 lines per image
- Label (digit) is the very first number on each line
- It is separated by \t from the pixel values
- Pixel values are separated by 1+ empty spaces
- 9000 images to train
- 1000 images to test

















What We Want

- To read a file with any number of images
 - So we can use train and test sets separately
- To store images in memory
 - So we can use them to train or to test
- We want to represent each image as a flat array of pixels
 - Why?
 - So we can feed it to our perceptron

















Possible Implementations

- Next few slides show some hints on how it can be implemented
- But you can do it in your own way

















Useful Java Functions

- split("[\t]+")
- Integer.parseInt()

















Possible Java Class To Store Images

```
static int image_size = 28 * 28;
static class Image {
    double[] pixels; // 28x28 = 784 numbers in flat array
    int label;
    Image() {
        pixels = new double[image_size];
    void set(int pixel, int value) {
        pixels[pixel] = value;
    void set_label(int value) {
        label = value;
```





Getting the Number of Images in the File

```
static Image[] Read(String fileName) throws Exception {
   File file = new File("E:\\212-labs\\test-10.txt");

   BufferedReader br = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(file));
   String st;
   int number_of_lines = 0;
   while ((st = br.readLine()) != null)
      number_of_lines++;
   int number_of_images = number_of_lines / 28;
   Image[] t = new Image[number_of_images];
   ...
```

















Getting All Pixel Values

```
br = new BufferedReader(new FileReader(file));
for(int i = 0; i < number_of_images; i++) {</pre>
  t[i] = new Image();
  for(int row = 0; row < 28; row ++) {</pre>
      st = br.readLine();
      String[] line parts = st.split("[\t ]+");
      int label = Integer.parseInt(line parts[0]);
      for(int pixel = 0; pixel < 28; pixel++) {</pre>
          int value = Integer.parseInt((line_parts[1 + pixel]));
          t[i].set(row * 28 + pixel, value);
      t[i].set label(label);
```