# Probabilistic Unsupervised Learning Exercise 6: Perceptrons

Submission deadline: Monday, January 31, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

In the programming exercises, support is only provided for Matlab or Python source code.

1. Consider a 2-layer Perceptron with inputs  $s_i^{(1)}$ , outputs  $s_h^{(0)}$  and weight matrix  $W_{hi}$ . Applying gradient descent on the error function E(W) from the lecture, derive the delta learning rule for the weights  $W_{hi}$  using the following activation functions:

[2 points] Task A: linear

$$s_h^{(0)} = g_h(\vec{s}^{(1)}, W) = \sum_i W_{hi} s_i^{(1)},$$
 (1)

[3 points] Task B: hyperbolic tangent

$$s_h^{(0)} = g_h(\vec{s}^{(1)}, W) = \frac{\exp(2\sum_i W_{hi} s_i^{(1)}) - 1}{\exp(2\sum_i W_{hi} s_i^{(1)}) + 1}.$$
 (2)

Hint: Use  $\Delta W_{hi} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial E(W)}{\partial W_{hi}}$ . Write down explicitly how to solve the derivatives.

2. Consider the 2-layer Perceptron with two input units and one output unit shown in Fig. (1):

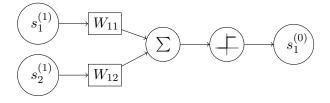


Figure 1: 2-layer Perceptron with Heaviside activation function

Use the following four data points  $\vec{x}^{(1...4)}$  as inputs  $s_i^{(1)}$  and the corresponding binary labels  $l^{(1...4)}$  as target outputs:

$$\vec{x}^{(1)} = (0,0), \quad l^{(1)} = 0$$
 $\vec{x}^{(2)} = (1,0), \quad l^{(2)} = 1$ 
 $\vec{x}^{(3)} = (0,1), \quad l^{(3)} = 1$ 
 $\vec{x}^{(4)} = (1,1), \quad l^{(4)} = 1$ 

## [2 points] Task A:

Plot the four data points in a 2-D scatter plot and color them by their label with a suitable color mapping of your choice. What logical function do they represent?

## [1 points] Task B:

For the binary classification task, we now modify the linear activation function of Eq. (1) to the following Heaviside function (as also depicted in Fig. 1):

$$s_1^{(0)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } W_{11} s_1^{(1)} + W_{12} s_2^{(1)} > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (3)

What would be the problem of deriving update rules for this activation function as you did in Task 1?

### [5 points] Task C:

Implement the Perceptron of Fig. 1 using the Heaviside function of Eq. (3) and the following delta update rule to update the weights after each presented data point:

$$\Delta W_{1i} = -\epsilon \left(s_1^{(0)} - t\right) s_i^{(1)}, \quad \text{with target output } t. \tag{4}$$

$$W_{1i} = W_{1i} + \Delta W_{1i} \tag{5}$$

Initialize all weights with  $W_{1i} = 0$  and use a learning rate of  $\epsilon = 1$ . Update the weights w.r.t. the above given data points and labels in numerical order, i.e. from  $\vec{x}^{(1)}$  to  $\vec{x}^{(4)}$ , and starting at  $\vec{x}^{(1)}$  again. At each update step print the output, target, and the updated weights. Keep iterating until there are no more changes throughout a full iteration over all data points. (Hint: This should not take many iterations.)

#### [5 points] Task D:

Plot the resulting decision boundary into the 2-D scatter plot of Task A. Repeat Task C with different initializations of W and different learning rates  $\epsilon$ . What do you observe and why?

#### [2 points] Task E:

Change the label of the last data point to  $l^{(4)} = 0$  and repeat Tasks C. What do you observe and why?

### [5 bonus points] Task F:

Switch the labels of the data points to

$$l^{(1)} = 1$$
,  $l^{(2)} = l^{(3)} = l^{(4)} = 0$ .

and apply the same Perceptron as before. Is the model still able to classify all points correctly? If not, why not and what could you do to correct this?