

## Lec 3.1 Binary Linear classification

### 1. Basic setup:

#### ↳ Training set

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_N, y_N) \},$$

$$\text{where } x_n \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad x_n = (x_{n1}, x_{n2}, \dots, x_{nd})$$

$$y_n \in \{-1, +1\} \quad // \text{ binary label}$$

#### ↳ Task:

$$\text{given any } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \text{output } y \in \{-1, +1\}$$

#### ↳ (Hypothesis H) Decision Rule:

$$\text{Weighted vector } \underline{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\text{Threshold } b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Given data point } x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$$

$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i > b, \quad \text{then } y = +1$$

$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i < b, \quad \text{then } y = -1$$

$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^d w_i x_i = b, \quad \text{output either } +1 \text{ or } -1 \quad (\text{unimportant})$$

#### ↳ Training phase:

- Compare decision rule with training data, to choose the "best" parameter values for decision rule — "best" hypothesis.
- Given  $\mathcal{D}$ , find  $(\underline{w}, b)$  to minimize the training errors

$$E_{\text{in}}(\underline{w}, b) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N 1(y_n \neq \hat{y}_n(\underline{w}, b))$$

avg error on  
training set for  
given  $(\underline{w}, b)$

take Average

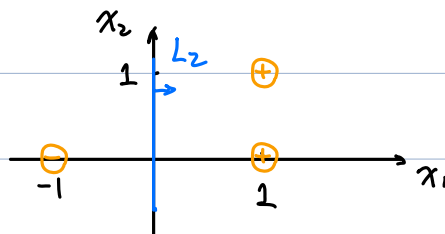
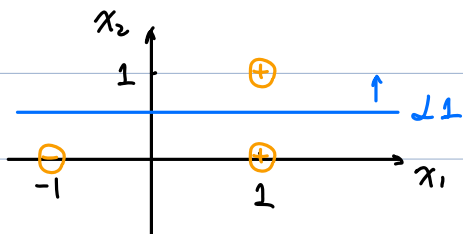
true label for  $x_n$

output of decision rule on example  $x_n$

↳ Goal: find  $(\underline{w}, b)$  to minimize  $E_{in}(\underline{w}, b)$

## 2. Example:

$d=2$  (i.e. two attributes  $x_1, x_2$ )



↳ consider  $L1: x_2 = \frac{1}{2}$

• This correspond to:  $(0)x_1 + (1)x_2 = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\therefore \underline{w} = (0, 1), \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$$

• Find  $E_{in}(\underline{w}, b)$

$$1' \quad \underline{x}_1 = (1, 0), \quad y_1 = +1$$

$$\underline{w}^T \underline{x}_1 = 0 < b \Rightarrow \hat{y}_1 = -1 \quad // \text{ Make one error}$$

$$2' \quad \underline{x}_2 = (1, 1), \quad y_2 = +1$$

$$\underline{w}^T \underline{x}_2 = 1 > b \Rightarrow \hat{y}_2 = +1$$

$$3' \quad \underline{x}_3 = (-1, 0), \quad y_3 = -1$$

$$\underline{w}^T \underline{x}_3 = 0 < b \Rightarrow \hat{y}_3 = -1$$

$$\therefore E_{in}(\underline{w}, b) = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 0 + 0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

↳ Try  $L2: x_1 = 0$

$$\underline{w} = (1, 0), \quad b = 0$$

$$E_{in}(\underline{w}, b) = 0$$

↳ Minimize  $E_{in}(\underline{w}, b)$  is an NP-hard problem in general.

i.e. No efficient algo to solve it

## Lec 3.2 Perception Learning Algo (PLA)

↳ efficiently finds a perfect classifier for linearly separable data.

### 1. change of notation:

↳ Decision Rule:

$$w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_d x_d \underset{y=-1}{\overset{y=+1}{\geq}} b$$

$$\Rightarrow -b + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_d x_d \underset{y=-1}{\overset{y=+1}{\geq}} 0$$

• Let  $w_0 = -b$ ,  $x_0 = 1$

Then we have an Augmented vectors:

$$\underline{w} = (w_0, w_1, \dots, w_d) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$$

$$\underline{x} = (x_0=1, x_1, \dots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$$

• Then the new decision rule becomes:

$$\underline{w}^T \underline{x} \underset{y=-1}{\overset{y=+1}{\geq}} 0$$

$$\text{and } y = h_w(\underline{x}) \triangleq \text{sign}(\underline{w}^T \underline{x}) \leftarrow \text{"perceptron learning"}$$

$$\text{// sign}(+) = \begin{cases} +1, & t \geq 0 \\ -1, & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

### 2. PLA:

↳ suppose training set  $\mathcal{D}$  is linearly separable. find  $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$  s.t.

$$E_{\text{in}}(\underline{w}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{1}(y_n \neq h_w(\underline{x}_n)) = 0$$

↳ Input: Training set  $\mathcal{D}$  that is linearly separable

Output:  $\underline{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$  that achieves  $E_{\text{in}}(\underline{w}) = 0$

Initialization: arbitrary e.g.  $\underline{w} = \underline{0}$  //  $d$ -dimensional zero vector

↳ step 1: check whether  $E_{in}(\underline{w}) = 0$

If yes, stop and output  $\underline{w}$ .

step 2: let  $(x_n, y_n)$  be a miss-classified example

(including points on boundary)

If  $y_n = +1$ , then replace  $\underline{w}$  with  $\underline{w} + x_n$

If  $y_n = -1$ , then replace  $\underline{w}$  with  $\underline{w} - x_n$

} same as saying

$$\underline{w} \leftarrow \underline{w} + y_n x_n$$

Then go to step 1.