

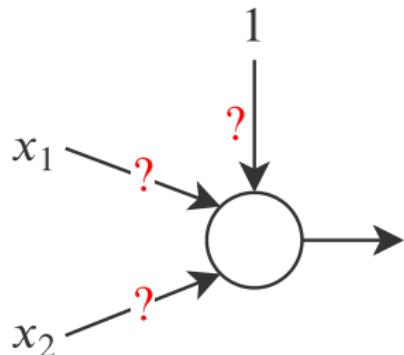
# CS-568 Deep Learning

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Training a Perceptron

# What is training?

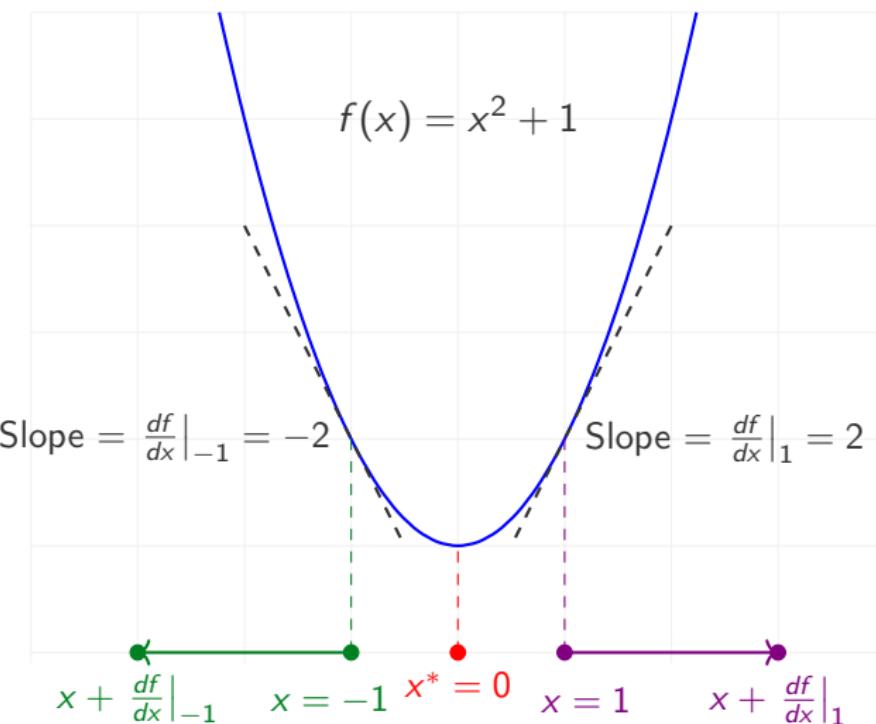


AND		OR			
$x_1$	$x_2$	$t$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$t$
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1
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Find weights  $w$  and bias  $b$  that maps input vectors  $x$  to given targets  $t$ .

- ▶ A perceptron is a function  $f : x \rightarrow t$  with parameters  $w, b$ .
- ▶ Formally written as  $f(x; w, b)$ .
- ▶ Training corresponds to *minimizing a loss function*.
- ▶ So let's take a detour to understand function minimization.

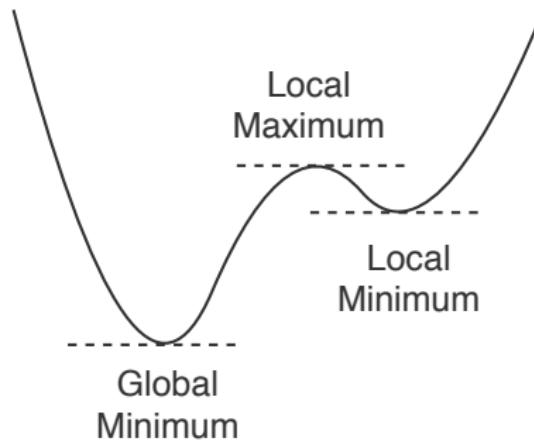
# Minimization



What is the slope/derivative/gradiant at the minimizer  $x^* = 0$ ?

# Minimization

## Local vs. Global Minima



- ▶ *Stationary point*: where derivative is 0.
- ▶ A stationary point can be a minimum or a maximum.
- ▶ A minimum can be local or global. Same for maximum.

# Gradient Descent

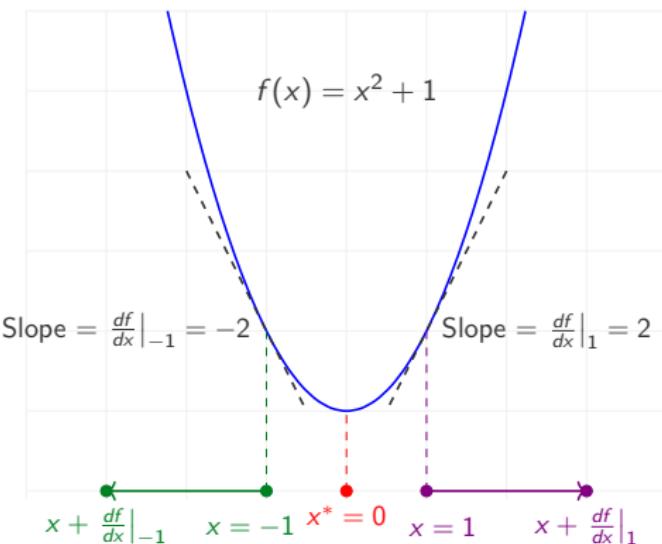
- ▶ Gradient is the direction, in input space, of maximum rate of increase of a function.

$$f\left(x + \frac{df}{dx}\right) \geq f(x)$$

- ▶ To minimize function  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$ , move in negative gradient direction.

$$x^{\text{new}} = x^{\text{old}} - \frac{df}{dx} \Big|_{x^{\text{old}}}$$

- ▶ Try it! Start from  $x^{\text{old}} = -1$ . Do you notice any problem?



## Minimization via Gradient Descent

- ▶ To minimize loss  $L(\mathbf{w})$  with respect to weights  $\mathbf{w}$

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w})$$

where scalar  $\eta > 0$  controls the step-size. It is called the *learning rate*.

- ▶ Also known as *gradient descent*.

Repeated applications of gradient descent find the closest local minimum.

# Gradient Descent

1. Initialize  $\mathbf{w}^{\text{old}}$  randomly.
2. do
  - 2.1  $\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w})|_{\mathbf{w}^{\text{old}}}$
  3. while  $|L(\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}}) - L(\mathbf{w}^{\text{old}})| > \epsilon$

- ▶ Learning rate  $\eta$  needs to be reduced gradually to ensure *convergence to a local minimum*.
- ▶ If  $\eta$  is too large, the algorithm can *overshoot* the local minimum and keep doing that indefinitely (*oscillation*).
- ▶ If  $\eta$  is too small, the algorithm will take too long to reach a local minimum.

# Gradient Descent

- ▶ Different types of gradient descent:

Batch             $\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L$

Sequential         $\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L_n$

Stochastic        same as sequential but  $n$  is chosen randomly

Mini-batches     $\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L_B$

- ▶ Most common variations are stochastic gradient descent (SGD) and SGD using mini-batches.

# Perceptron Algorithm

## Two-class Classification

- ▶ Let  $(x_n, t_n)$  be the  $n$ -th training example pair.
- ▶ Mathematical convenience: replace Boolean target (0/1) by binary target ( $-1/1$ ).

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0	1	-1	0	1	1
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- ▶ Do the same for perceptron output.

$$y(x_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w^T x_n + b \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } w^T x_n + b < 0 \end{cases}$$

# Perceptron Algorithm

## Two-class Classification

- ▶ Notational convenience: append  $b$  at the end of  $w$  and append 1 at the end of  $x_n$  to write pre-activation simply as  $w^T x_n$ .
- ▶ A perceptron classifies its input via the non-linear step function

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- ▶ *Perceptron criterion:*  $w^T x_n t_n > 0$  for correctly classified point.

# Perceptron Algorithm

## Two-class Classification

- ▶ Loss can be defined on the set  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{w})$  of misclassified points.

$$L(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{w})} -\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_n t_n$$

- ▶ Optimal  $\mathbf{w}$  minimizes the value of the loss function  $L(\mathbf{w})$ .

$$\mathbf{w}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w})$$

- ▶ Gradient is computed as

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{w})} -\mathbf{x}_n t_n$$

# Perceptron Algorithm

## Two-class Classification

- ▶ Optimal  $w^*$  can be learned via gradient descent.
- ▶ Corresponds to the following rule at the  $n$ -th training sample *if it is misclassified*.

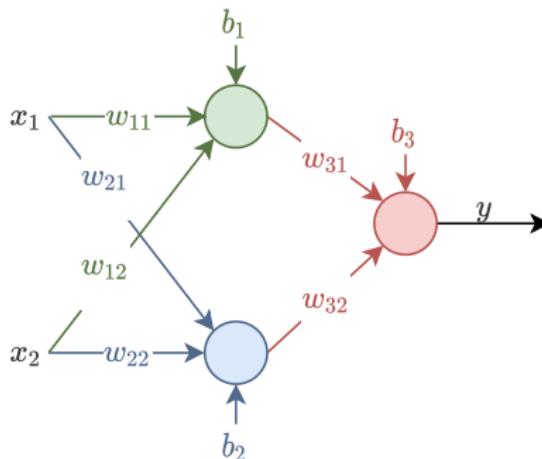
$$w^{\text{new}} = w^{\text{old}} + x_n t_n$$

- ▶ Known as the *perceptron learning rule*.
- ▶ For *linearly separable data*, perceptron learning is guaranteed to find the decision boundary in finite iterations.
  - ▶ Try it for the AND or OR problems.
- ▶ For data that is *not linearly separable*, this algorithm will never converge.
  - ▶ Try it for the XOR problem.

# Perceptron Algorithm

## Weaknesses

- ▶ Only works if training data is linearly separable.
- ▶ Cannot be generalized to MLPs.
  - ▶ Because  $t_n$  will be available for output perceptron only.
  - ▶ Hidden layer perceptrons will have no intermediate targets.



- ▶ Next lecture: Training MLPs.