# **Assignment 4 write-up**

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## **Problem 1. Artificial Neural Networks: ORPerceptron**

Four-Input OR-Training Using a Single-Layer Perceptron Network.

This problem was solved in Python 2.7, using the Random library.

The solution to this problem was pair-programmed by Jake and Anna.

#### Creating the training dataset

To create training data for the perceptron, I create an array of all the possible input sets to the 4-input OR function in the *createTrainingData()* method, and stored the OR target solution, in the format

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[x1, x2, x3, x4, ORsolution]
```

#### Structure of the perceptron training function

Next, the perceptron was trained in the *trainPerceptron()* method. For training, 4 weights were used, corresponding to the 4 inputs. The weights were initialized as random values between -1 to 1 using the random.uniform() function. The program repeatedly loops through each of the 16 training sets, adjusting weights according to a step activation function when an input set is incorrectly classified, until it goes through a loop where all the training sets are classified correctly; at this point the perceptron is fully "trained" and the values of the weights are returned.

#### Step activation function

To train our perceptron, we used a step activation function with a threshold of t=0 and a learning rate of a=0.1. For inputs  $x_i$  and weights  $w_i$ , if the value  $\Sigma(x_i * w_i)$  was above the threshold, the input set was classified as '1'. Otherwise, the input set was classified as '0'. If the input set was incorrectly classified, the weights were adjusted according to the following formula, where e is the error value (e = expected classification

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + (a \times x_i \times e), ww$$

where e error from the expected classification (0 or 1), obtained by the forumula:

```
e = (expected classification) - \Sigma(x_i * w_i)
```

```
def trainPerceptron(trainingData):
 # Initialise weights randomly
 weights = [None] * NUM INPUTS
 for i in range (NUM INPUTS):
  weights[i] = random.uniform(-1, 1)
  # Loop through the training dataset and adjust weights until the you get
# through a run through the entire dataset with no incorrect classifications
 trainingComplete = False
 while trainingComplete == False:
   # Assume weights are good unless find a case where trained guess different from target
   trainingComplete = True
   for dataSet in trainingData:
     target = dataSet[NUM_INPUTS] # Last value is the correct 'OR' value
     # Compute answer (to use for Step Activation) using weights
     computed = 0
     for i in range (NUM_INPUTS):
      computed += weights[i] * dataSet[i]
     # Compute error
     error = float(target) - computed
     # Step activation: classify as 1 or 0 based on computed answer
     if computed > 0:
       computedAnswer = 1
      computedAnswer = 0
     # If olassification incorrect, adjust weights
     if computedAnswer != target:
       trainingComplete = False
       for i in range(NUM_INPUTS):
         weights[i] += LEARNING RATE * dataSet[i] * error
 print "done training"
  return weights
```

### Using trained perceptron to classify data

The weighs from the trained perceptron are used to classify input data using a step activation function in the *classifyData()* method.

```
idef classifyData(testCases, weights):
    solution = [None] * len(testCases)

for j in range(len(testCases)):

    # Compute answer using weights (to be used for step activation)
    computed = 0
    for i in range(NUM_INPUTS):
        computed += weights[i] * testCases[j][i]

    # Step activation: classify as 1 or 0 based on computed answer
    if computed > 0:
        solution[j] = 1
    else:
        solution[j] = 0

return solution
```