Lectures

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1 Rosenblatt's perceptron

1.1 Introduction

Recall: for an input $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the parametrized function describing the mapping computed by a perceptron is:

$$F(\omega, x) = F((\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n, \theta), (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)) = sgn(\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i x_i - \theta)$$

Or in the vector form:

$$F(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \boldsymbol{x}) = sgn(\boldsymbol{\omega^T}\boldsymbol{x})$$

This perceptron can only classify patterns which are linearly seprable.

Theorem 1. Suppose $C_1 \cup C_2 = C$ are linearly separable classes over the training set $z \in Z^T$ with the assumption $z_t = \{x_t, y_t \in C_1\}$, and perceptron's response r_t with mistake $e_t = r_t - y_t < 0$ can be corrected by applying the learning rule to its current state $\omega \in \Omega^T$:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega_t} = \boldsymbol{\omega_{t-1}} + e_{t-1} \boldsymbol{x_{t-1}}$$

Then perceptron's error correction algorithm converges in k number of steps with following assumptions: training input is bounded by Euclidean norm $\|\mathbf{x}_t\| \leq R$ and $e_t \boldsymbol{\omega}_*^T \mathbf{x}_t \geq \gamma$ for t = 1..T, where $\gamma > 0$. Initial state $\boldsymbol{\omega}_0 = 0$. Note, that γ uses to be sure that some example is classified correctly.

Proof: Multiplying both sides of learning rule equation by some optimal ω_*^T we will have:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega_*^T \omega_k} = \boldsymbol{\omega_*^T \omega_{k-1}} + e_{t-1} \boldsymbol{\omega_*^T x_{t-1}} \ge \boldsymbol{\omega_*^T \omega_{k-1}} + \gamma$$

Now we can expand equation above for k steps and keep in mind $\omega_0 = 0$ at k = 0 we will get:

$$\omega_*^T \omega_k \ge \omega_*^T (\omega_{k-2} + e_{t-2} x_{t-2}) + \gamma \ge \omega_*^T (\omega_{k-3} + e_{t-3} x_{t-3}) + 2\gamma \ge \dots$$

 $\dots \ge \omega_*^T (\omega_0 + e_{t-k+1} x_{t-k+1}) + (k-1)\gamma \ge k\gamma$

Let's do one important step which results will be substituted to the final inequality. Suppose we have following Euclidean norm $\|\omega_k\|$ and, as it's known, for squared L2 norm the equality holds:

$$\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k}\|^{2} = \|\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k-1} + e_{t-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}\|^{2} = \|\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k-1}\|^{2} + e_{t-1}^{2}\|\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}\|^{2} + 2e_{t-1}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k-1}^{T}\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}$$

Since $e_{t-1} = r_t - y_t = -2$ $(r_t = -1 \text{ while the target } y_t = 1)$:

$$\|\omega_{k-1}\|^2 + 2\|x_{t-1}\|^2 - 4\omega_{k-1}^T x_{t-1}$$

There is no doubt that:

$$\|\omega_{k-1}\|^2 + 2\|x_{t-1}\|^2 - 4\omega_{k-1}^T x_{t-1} \le \|\omega_{k-1}\|^2 + 2\|x_{t-1}\|^2$$

Continuing for k steps we will have:

$$\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k-1}\|^2 + 2\|\boldsymbol{x}_{t-1}\|^2 - 4\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k-1}^T \boldsymbol{x}_{t-1} \le 2\sum_{j=1}^k \|\boldsymbol{x}_{t-j}\|^2$$

Since $\|\boldsymbol{x_t}\| \leq R$:

$$\|\boldsymbol{\omega_{k-1}}\|^2 + 2\|\boldsymbol{x_{t-1}}\|^2 - 4\boldsymbol{\omega_{k-1}}^T \boldsymbol{x_{t-1}} \le 2kR^2$$

From Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$\left| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{*}^{T} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k} \right| \leq \left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{*}^{T} \right\| \cdot \left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k} \right\|$$

$$k \gamma \leq \left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{*}^{T} \right\| \cdot \left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k} \right\|$$

$$\frac{k \gamma}{\left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{*}^{T} \right\|} \leq \left\| \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k} \right\|$$

Substitying results obtained earlier:

$$\frac{k^{2}\gamma^{2}}{\|\omega_{*}^{T}\|^{2}} \leq \|\omega_{k}\|^{2} = \|\omega_{k-1}\|^{2} + 2\|x_{t-1}\|^{2} - 4\omega_{k-1}^{T}x_{t-1} \leq 2kR^{2}$$

Finally:

$$\begin{split} \frac{k^2 \gamma^2}{\left\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_*^T\right\|^2} &\leq 2kR^2\\ \frac{k\gamma^2}{\left\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_*^T\right\|^2} &\leq 2R^2\\ k &\leq 2R^2 \left\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_*^T\right\|^2 \blacksquare \end{split}$$