Machine Learning

Lecture 7
Perceptrons

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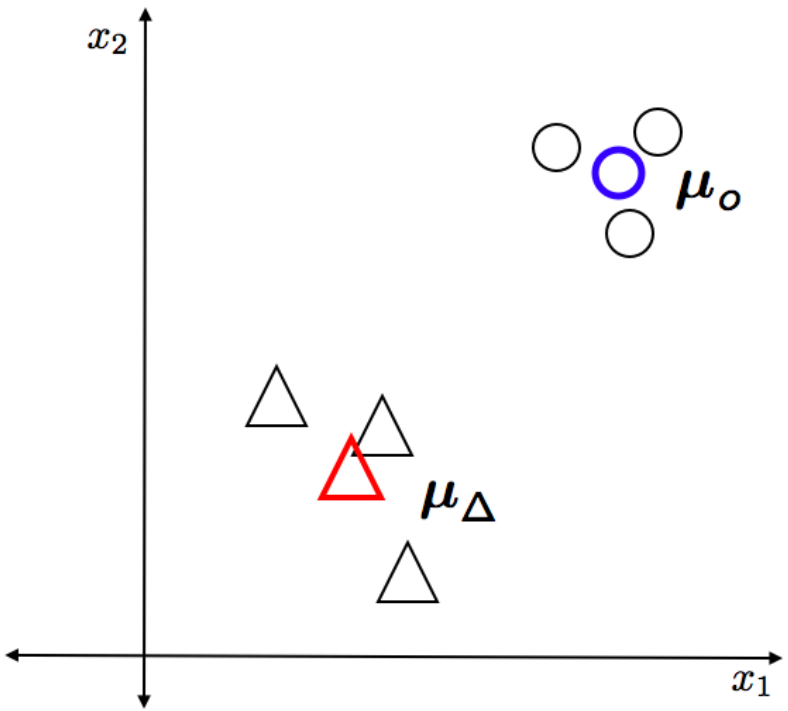
Recap: Nearest Centroid Classification



Prototypes μ_Δ and μ_o can be the class means

$$\mu_\Delta = 1/N_\Delta \sum_n^{N_\Delta} \mathbf{x}_{\Delta,n}$$

$$\mu_o = 1/N_o \sum_n^{N_o} \mathbf{x}_{o,n}$$

Distance from w_Δ to new data x

$$\|\mu_\Delta - \mathbf{x}\|_2$$

From Prototypes to Linear Classification

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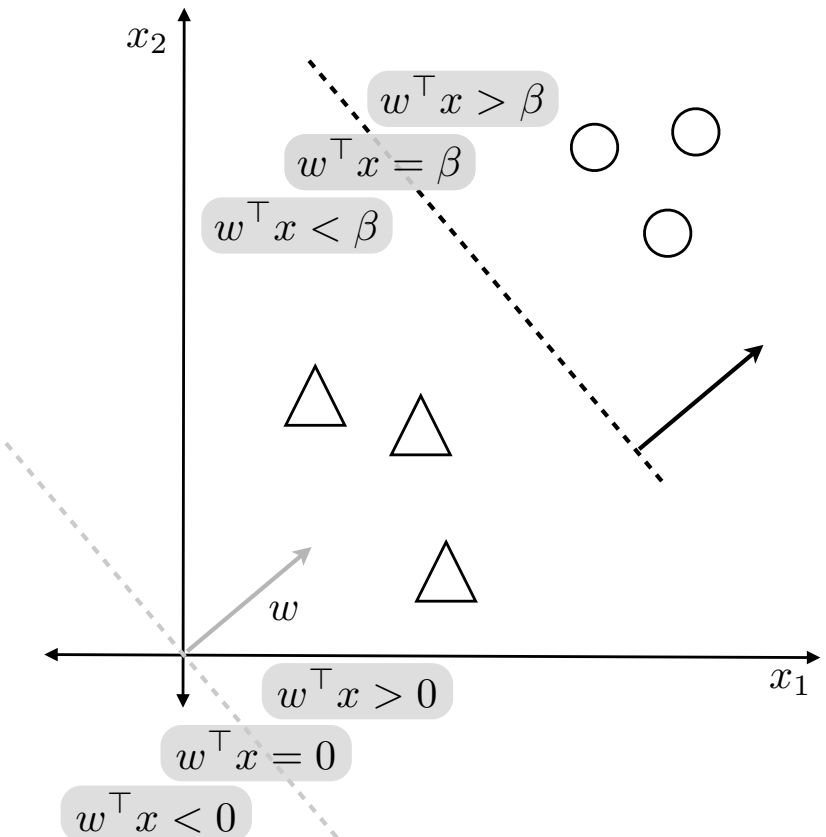

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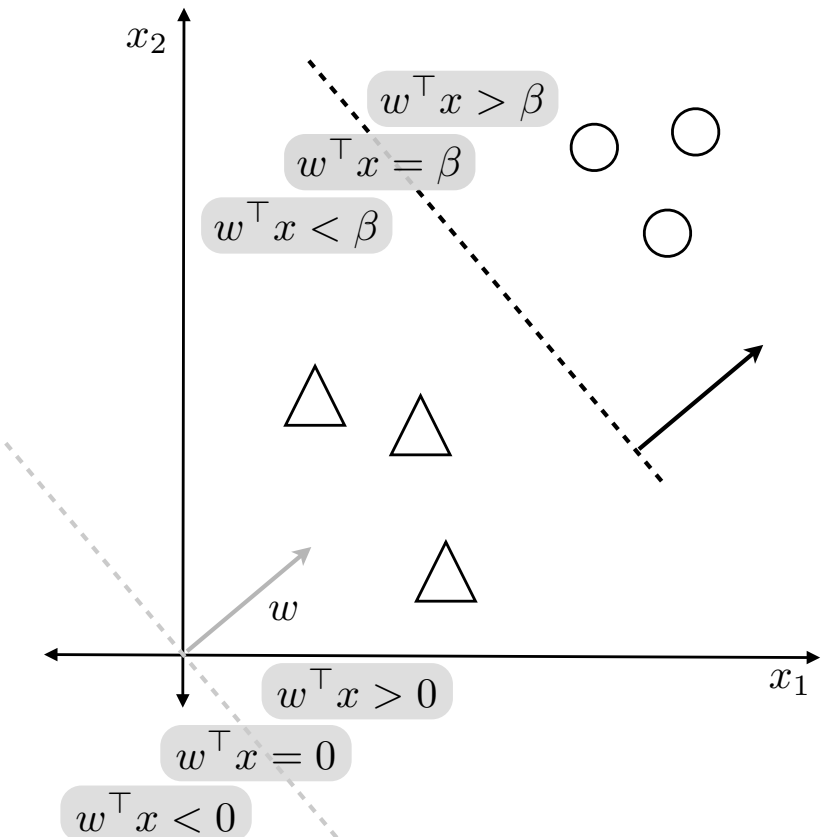


What is a good **w**?

$\rightarrow$ We need an **error function** that tells us how good **w** is.

Two classical Error Functions

Given data $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^D$ and corresponding labels $y \in \{-1, +1\}$, two classical error functions $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x}, y, \mathbf{w})$ to find the optimal $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^D$ are:

Error Function	Used in
$\frac{1}{2}(y - \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x})^2$	Adaline [Widrow and Hoff, 1960]
$\max(0, -y\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x})$	Perceptron [Rosenblatt, 1958]

Rosenblatt's Perceptron

Frank Rosenblatt
(1928-1969)

Rosenblatt proposed the **perceptron**, an artificial neural network for pattern recognition [Rosenblatt, 1958]

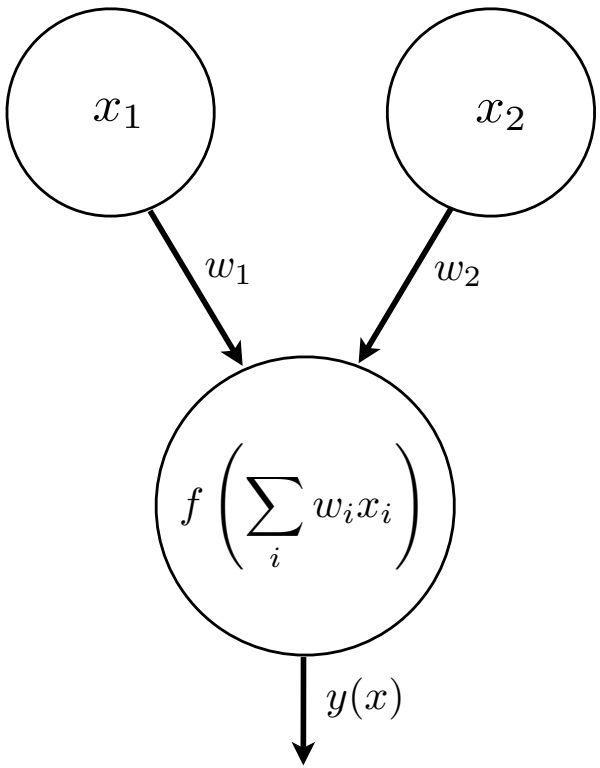
Perceptrons gave rise to the field of artificial neural networks

Rosenblatt's Perceptron

Rosenblatt studied Perceptrons, so that

" [. . .] the fundamental laws of organization which are common to all information handling systems, machines and men included, may eventually be understood."

Artificial Neural Networks



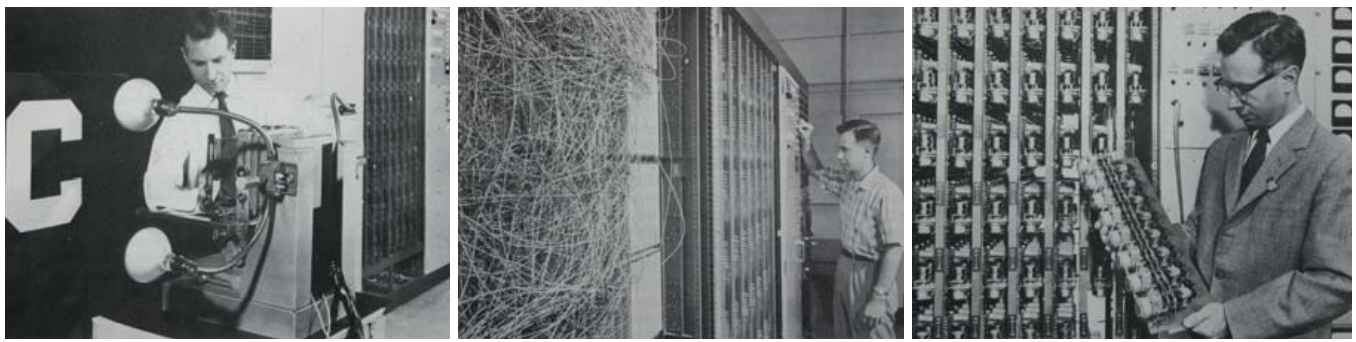
Input nodes x_i receive information

Inputs are multiplied with a weighting factor w_i and summed up

Integrated input is mapped through some (non-linear) function $f(.)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ is preferred stimulus} \\ -1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \text{ is any other stimulus} \end{cases}$$

Rosenblatt's Perceptron



Perceptron Hardware (pictures from [Bishop, 2007])

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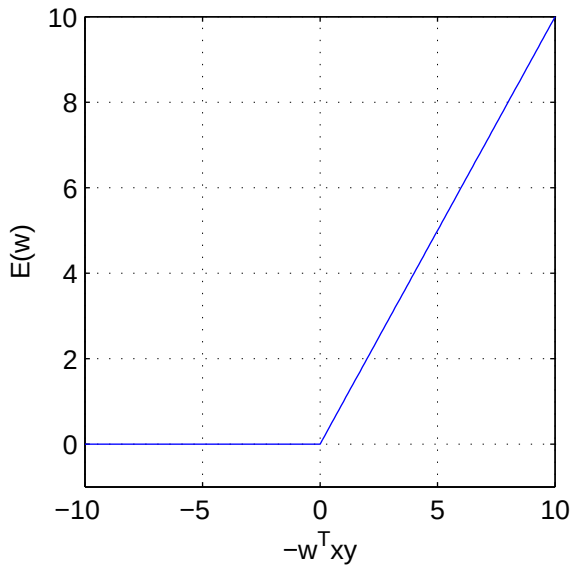
Output Weight vector $w \in \mathbb{R}^D$ such that

$$\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{cases} \geq 0 & \text{if } y_n = +1 \\ < 0 & \text{if } y_n = -1 \end{cases}$$

The Perceptron Error Function

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_m y_m \tag{3}$$

Classification Error as Function of Weights



Given data $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^D$ and corresponding labels $y \in \{-1, +1\}$ the classification error $\mathcal{E}$ is a function of the weights $\mathbf{w}$ (and the data $\mathbf{x}$, y)

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_m, y_m) = -\sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_m y_m \quad (4)$$

where $\mathcal{M}$ denotes the index set of all *misclassified* data $\mathbf{x}_m$

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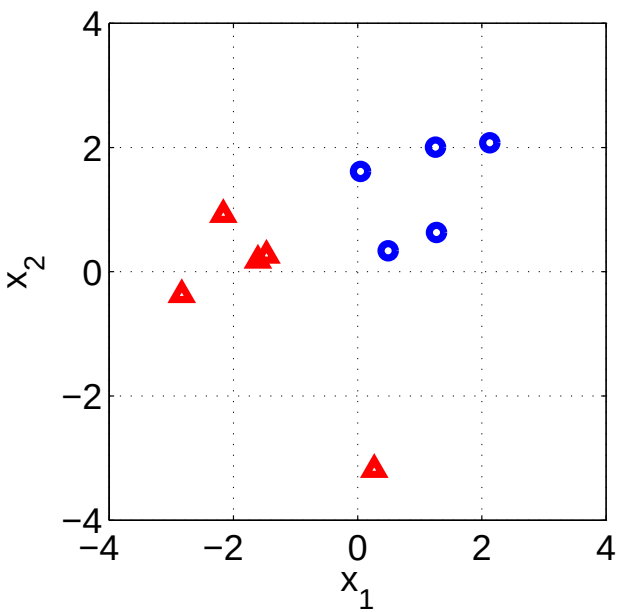
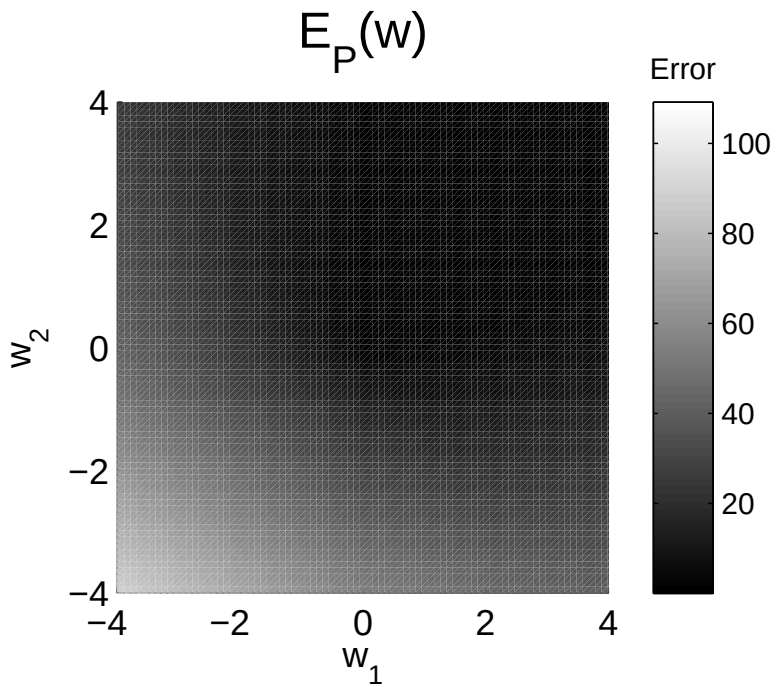
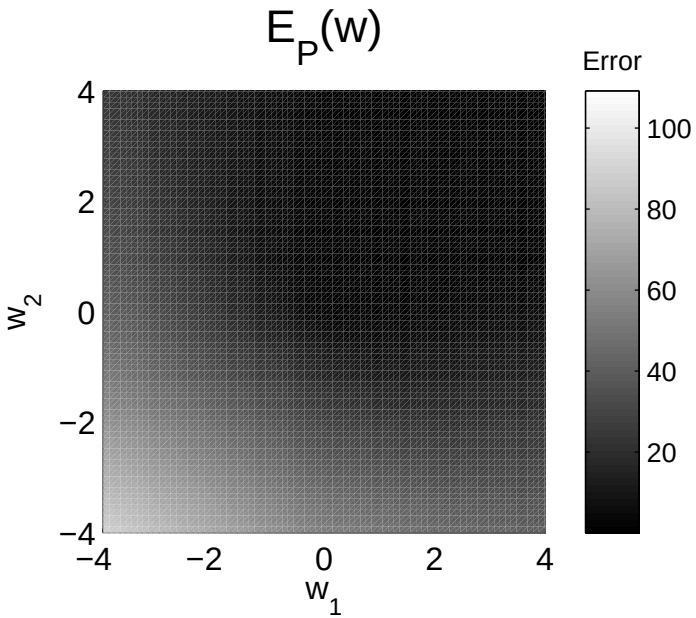




Gradient Descent

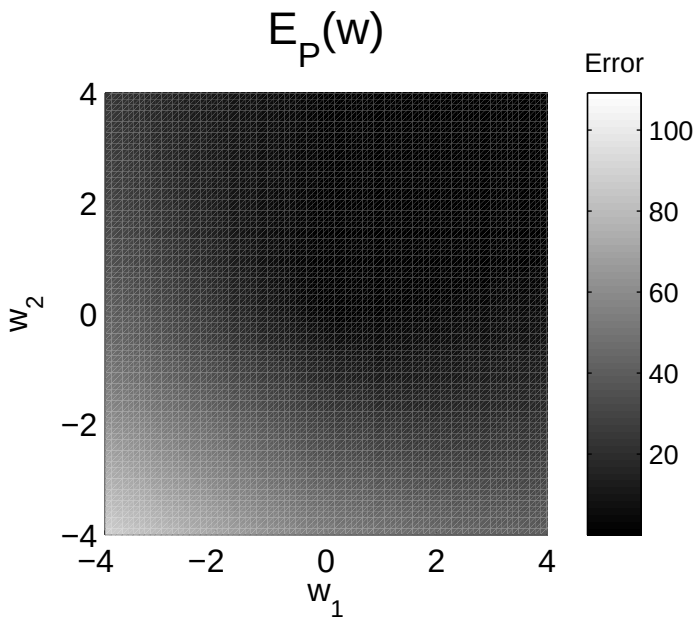


How to minimize the error function?

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_m, y_m) = -\sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_m y_m$$

$\rightarrow$ **Gradient Descent**

Gradient Descent

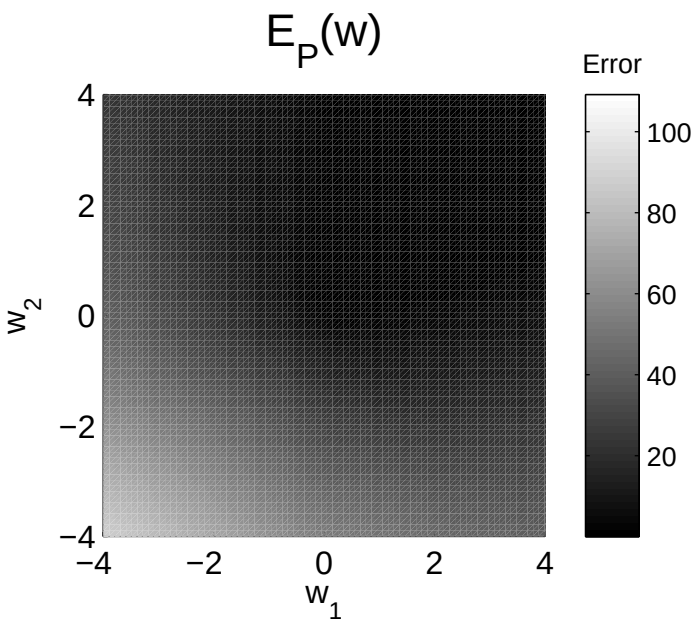


We minimize $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_m, y_m)$ by walking in the opposite direction of the gradient.

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \frac{1}{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \nabla \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_i, y_i)$$

where $\mathcal{X}$ is the set of data points and η is called a **learning rate**.

Stochastic Gradient Descent



A noisy estimate of

$$\frac{1}{|\mathcal{X}|}\sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|}\nabla\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w},\mathbf{x},y)$$

is obtained by [Robbins and Monro, 1951]

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta\nabla\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{w},\mathbf{x}_i,y_i)$$

Note that only $\mathbf{w}$ is stored and only one data point $\mathbf{x}_i$ and label y_i are considered at a time!

$\rightarrow$ Scales to large data sets [Bottou, 2010]

Perceptron Training

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$$\underset{w}{\text{argmin}} \quad \left(- \sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_m y_m \right) \tag{5}$$

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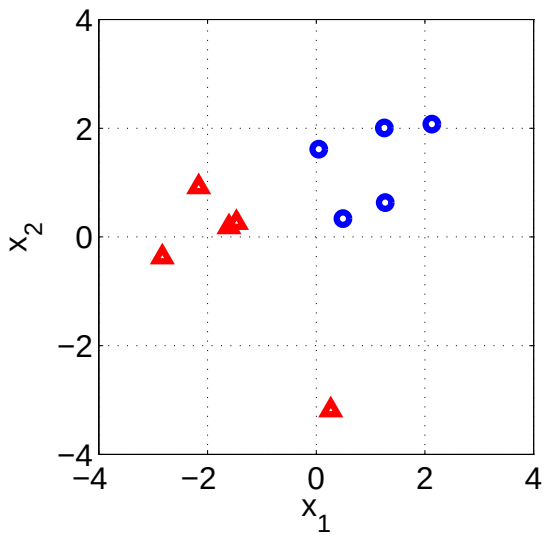

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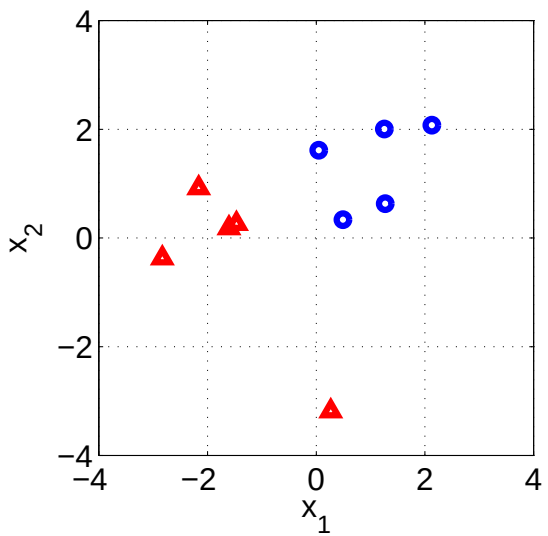

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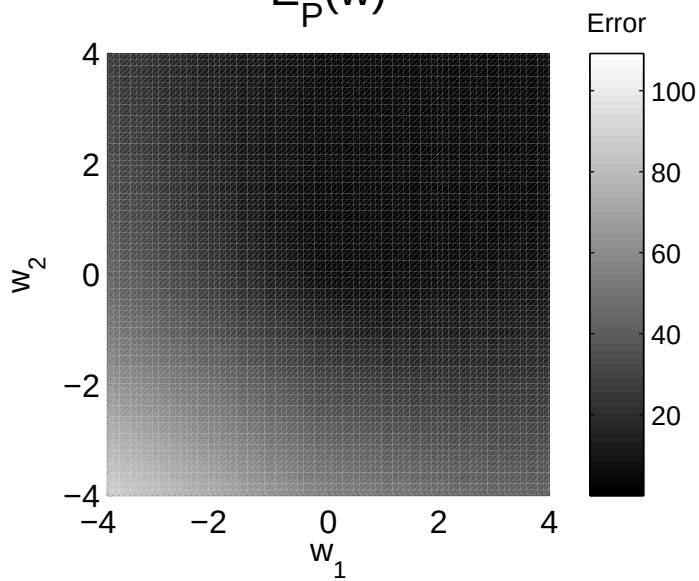

The Perceptron Learning Algorithm

Eq. 5 can be minimized *iteratively*
using **stochastic gradient descent**
[Bottou, 2010; Robbins and Monro, 1951]

1. Initialize $\mathbf{w}^{\text{old}}$ (randomly, $1/n$, ...)
2. While there are misclassified data points $\mathbf{x}_m$

   Pick a random misclassified data point $\mathbf{x}_m$

$$\mathbf{w}^{\text{new}} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} - \eta \nabla \mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^{\text{old}} + \eta \mathbf{x}_m y_m \tag{6}$$

The Perceptron Learning Algorithm

Algorithm 1 Perceptron learning

Require: Data $X = [\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_N], x_i \in \mathbb{R}^D$, Labels $y_1, \ldots, y_N \in \{-1, +1\}$, iterations *its*, learning rate η

Ensure: $\mathbf{w}$

$\mathbf{w} = \mathbb{1}_D/(D)$
for $it = 1, \ldots,$ *its* **do**
    # Pick a random example
    $i =$ ceil(rand*N)
    # If this example is not correctly classified
    if $sign(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i) \; != y_i$ **then**
        # Update weight vector
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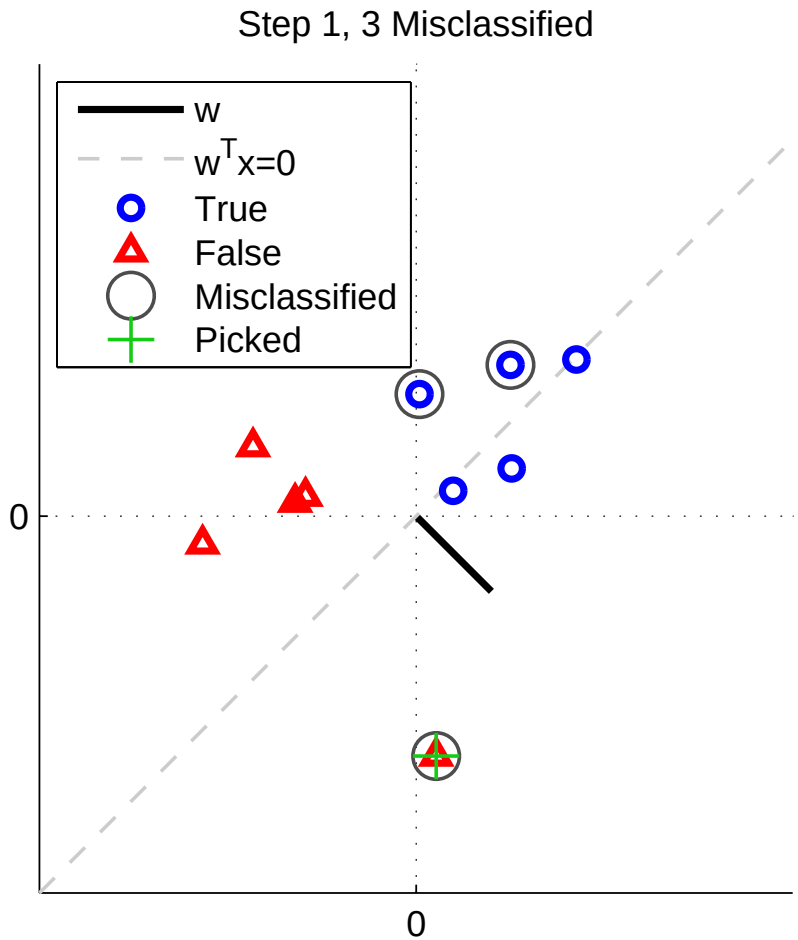
    end if
end for

The Perceptron Learning Algorithm in Action



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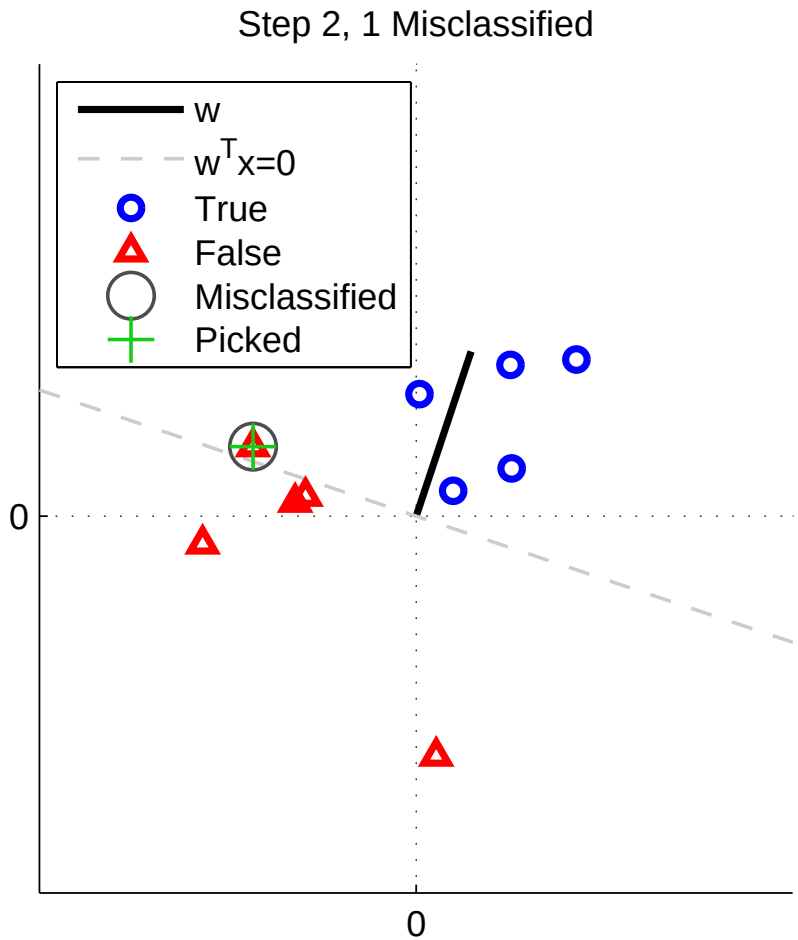

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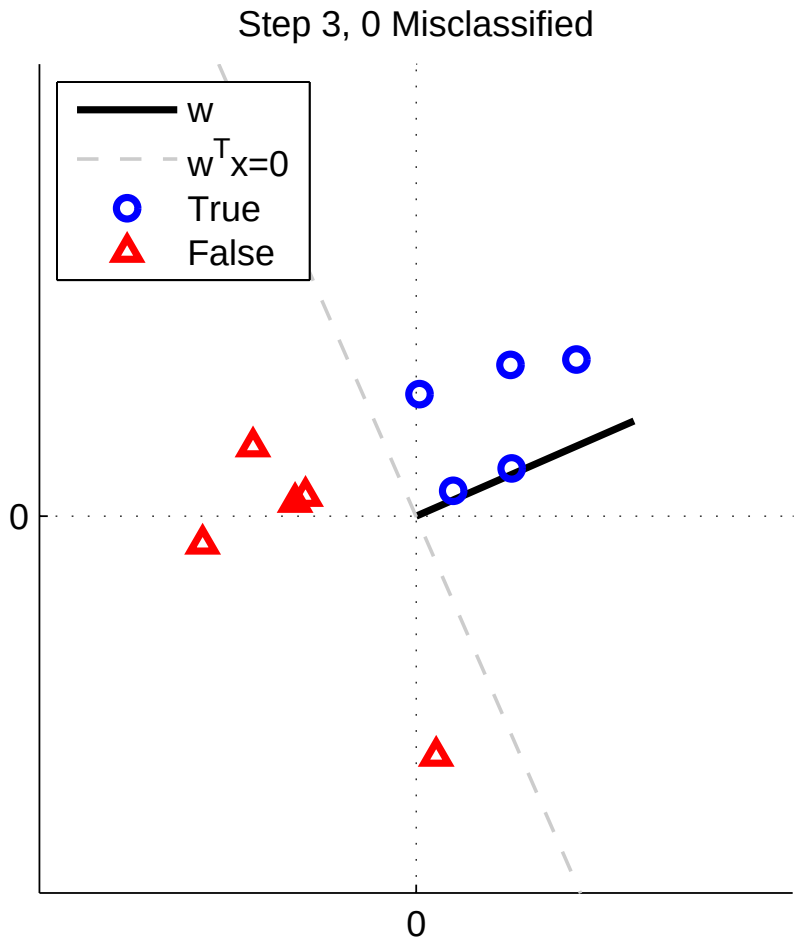

Problems with Perceptrons

- Each update might lead to new misclassifications
- Many solutions might exist; which one is correct?
- Convergence might be slow
- Only solves linearly separable problems
- If there is no solution, the algorithm will not converge

Some solutions have been proposed by Freund and Schapire [1998]

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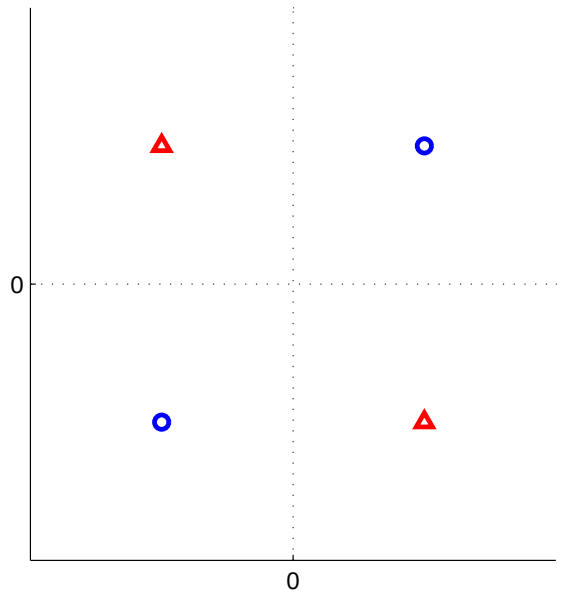
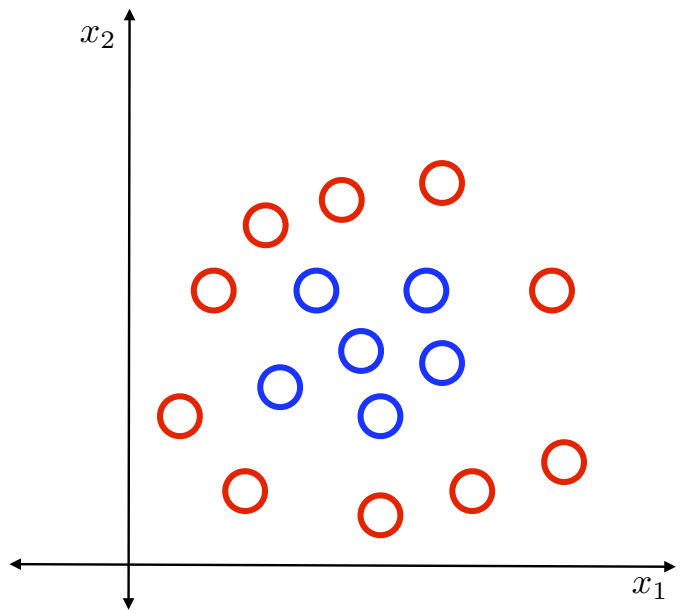
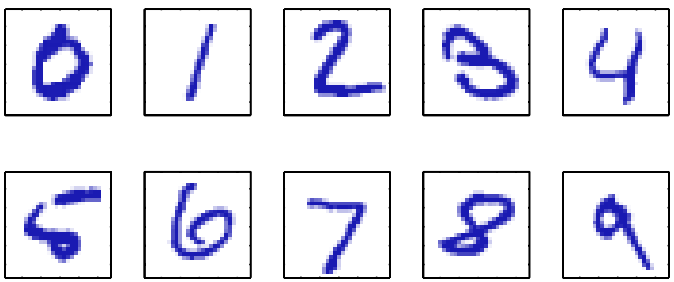




Application example: Handwritten Digit Recognition

Handwritten digits from UPS data set



Each digit represented as 16×16 pixel image

$\rightarrow$ $x \in \mathbb{R}^{256}$ input nodes

Each image is associated with a label $y \in \{0, 1, \ldots, 9\}$

Goal Artificial neural network that recognizes the digit 8

$\Rightarrow$ We need a function $f(.)$ such that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } y \in \{0, 1, \ldots, 7, 9\} \\ +1 & \text{if } y = 8 \end{cases}$$

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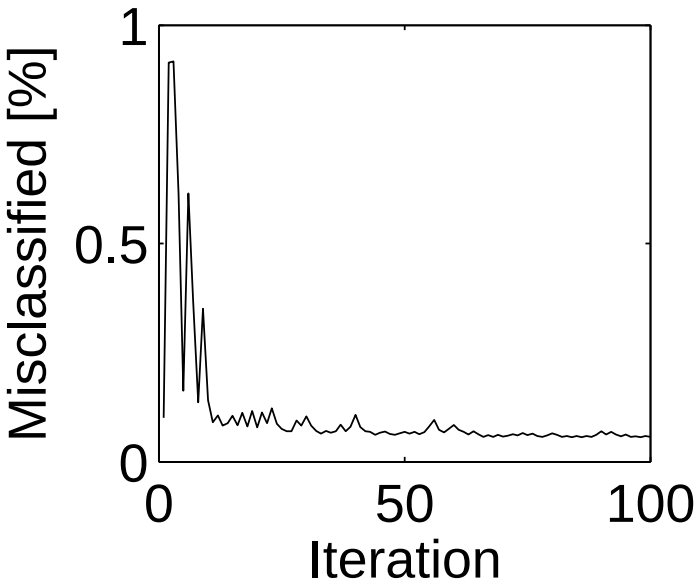

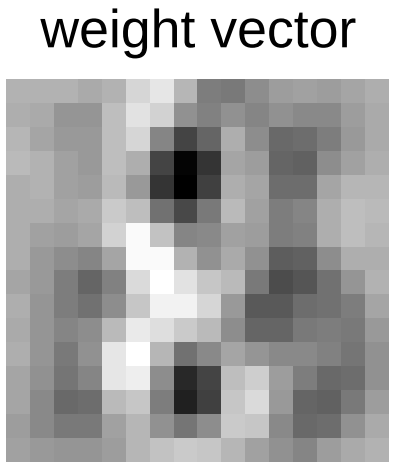

Application example: Handwritten Digit Recognition

- Handwritten Digit Recognition is a **Multiclass Problem**
- But the Perceptron is a **two-class** (binary) classifier
- How can we **binarize** the multi class problem?

$\rightarrow$ Train a perceptron for each digit against all others

$\rightarrow$ Concatenate all weight vectors $W = [\mathbf{w_0}, \mathbf{w}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{w}_9]$

$\rightarrow$ For new data point $\mathbf{x}$ compute the label as $\operatorname{argmax}\left(W^\top \mathbf{x}\right)$

Minimizing Functions

Remember:

- ML algorithms are functions f that need to be fitted to data
- ML is finding minima/maxima of functions
- Function minimization is done by **Gradient Descent**

Taking Derivatives of Univariate Functions

Function	Derivative
$f(x) = x^n$	
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$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$	$\frac{f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)}{g(x)^2}$
$f(g(x))$	$f'(g(x))\ g'(x)$

Taking Derivatives of Vector-Valued Functions

Consider a vector-valued function $f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^U, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^D$

The gradient $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$ at position $\mathbf{x}$ is

$$\nabla f(x) = \left[\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_1}, \ldots, \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_D} \right] \tag{7}$$

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More complicated examples: The Matrix Cookbook

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$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^\top A\mathbf{x}$	$f'(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^\top (A + A^\top)$

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