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1 Problem 1: Perceptron

a) (5 marks) Using chain differentiation rule as seen in the lectures and derive the weight update formulae Δw_i for this special Adaline structure and show that it is given by :

TODO: type out from the ipad

b) (5 marks) Write two small programs implementing the weight update rule for the perceptron and the Adaline for an arbitrary number of input (dimension of input x) and arbitrary training patterns. Initial values for the weights could be selected randomly in the interval $[-1, 1]$.

TODO: python

c) (10 marks) We need to classify the following patterns using boundaries obtained from the perceptron and the Adaline.

TODO: use python in b) to solve

d) (2 marks) We need to place a new data point belonging to "C1" in the location $x_5 = [-1.4, -1.5, 2]$. Is the classifier boundary still valid (for both perceptron and Adaline)

TODO: use python in b) to solve

e) (3 marks) State, why an Adaline structure with LMS learning algorithm has better capabilities than the perceptron Hebbian learning rule.

They are different from the loss function, one with LMS and one with Hebbian learning rule.

Unlike Perceptron, the iterations of Adaline networks do not stop, but it converges by reducing the least mean square error. MADALINE is a network of more than one ADALINE

Hence, perceptron may stop with an arbitrary hyperplane depending on the order of the sampled point, whereas adaline will result an optimal hyperplane, where its margin is the best possible geometrical plane. Since adaline utilizes the gradient decent with mean squared error, it will result a hyperplane that has the margin same as the best possible geometrical margin. In comparison, perceptron would result a bad margin with an arbitrary hyperplane, resulting non-ideal hyperplane, leading to a bias to a specific class.

2 Problem 2: Madaline

Build a Madaline structure that is able to provide a compounded boundary (composed of two elementary boundaries) for the Exclusive Nor logic (XNOR) gate with two inputs. Draw the boundary in a 2D cartesian plot and show that the obtained compounded boundary (composed of two boundaries) is able to separate the two output classes (1 and -1).

3 Problem 3: BPL

4 Problem 4: Neural Network Classifier

Glossary

LHP Left Hand Plane.

ORHP Open Right Hand Plane.

RHP Right Hand Plane.