

## CHE 4230

### Homework 4

Due Sunday March 2, midnight

1. Explain the difference between **classification** and **regression** in supervised learning.
2. Provide an example of a **real-world application** for each.
3. **Neural network basic concepts:** A single perceptron (neuron) can represent many Boolean functions (True or False decisions). Assume Boolean values of 1 (true) and -1 (false).

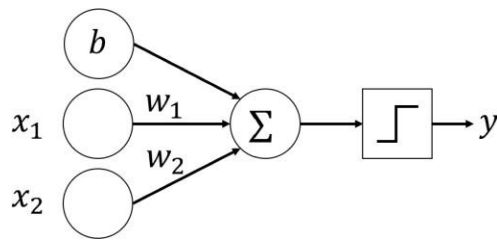


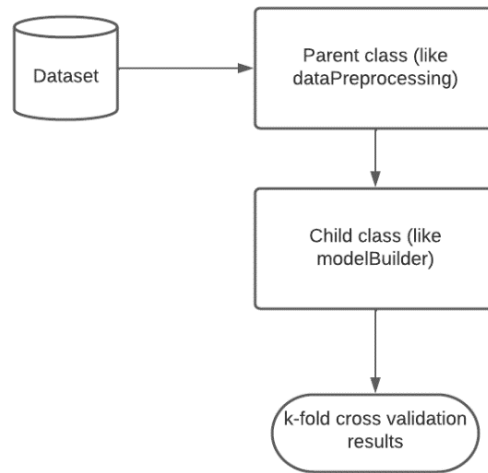
Figure 1. A perceptron.

Where the activation function returns 1 if  $f_{\Sigma} > 0$ , and -1 if  $f_{\Sigma} < 0$

- a) If  $w_1 = 0.8$ ,  $w_2 = 1.0$ ,  $b = -0.5$ , calculate the output  $y$  for the input vector  $[1, 0]$ .
- b) What could be a set of possible values of  $[w_1, w_2, b]$ , and the input  $[x_1, x_2]$ , where  $x_i$  can be 1 or 0 if the perceptron is to represent the **AND** function that returns  $y = 1$  **if and only if**  $[x_1, x_2] = [1, 1]$ ?

#### 4. **Practice with ANN parameters and inheritance:**

Your goal is to set up a python package that includes at least one parent class and one child class (see **Figure 2**). Your package should contain methods for: loading datasets, preprocessing data, creating an artificial neural network model, training the model, testing the model performance (see part 2.b.) and visualizing the results.



**Figure 2.** Example of the structure of a Python package.

- Start by *forking* the meters repository on GitHub ([meter Hw4](#)). For this assignment you will use the dataset available in this repository.
- For the following steps, create as many branches as you need, and remember to commit often.
- Create a jupyter notebook to test out pieces of code, methods, classes, etc.
- Make use of the methods/classes/structure already in the repository and add whatever is needed to complete the package.
- Once you have tested your code in the jupyter notebook, integrate your code in the package structure (using classes and imports in .py files).
- Create a new jupyter notebook to try different values for the `hidden_layer_sizes`, `learning_rate_init`, and `max_iter` hyperparameters (use at least 4 new combinations). Report the results and a brief explanation for your observations using markdown in the jupyter notebook.

#### 5. **Submission:**

Submit a .pdf file showing your work for questions 1, 2 and 3 and a link to the repository in question 4.