Classification I

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Recall the standard form of a machine learning problem:

- We have 'input' data X and targets/outputs y
- Our data can be modelled as y = f(X)
- Goal is to find the best approximation for f as \hat{f}

Here, f(x) outputs *classes* rather than numeric values.

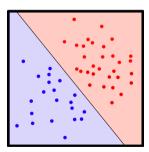
Note:

We call a two-class problem a binary classification problem.

Linearly Separable Datasets

We define a linearly separable dataset as one which can be classified in a binary fashion using a hyperplane.

More simply, if you can classify it by drawing a line through it. Your dataset is linearly separable.



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Perceptron

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Learns weights w for a decision boundary $w^T \mathbf{x} = 0$, where x represents points on the Cartesian plane, not our dataset.

Key Properties

- The classic perceptron solves only binary classification
- Always converges to a solution if the dataset in linearly separable
- Solutions can differ depending on starting weights and learning rate

The algorithm

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For weights w and a learning rate \eta.
  converged \leftarrow 0
  while not converged do
       converged \leftarrow 1
       for x_i \in X, y_i \in y do
           if y_i w \cdot x_i \leq 0 then
                w \leftarrow w + \eta y_i x_i
                converged \leftarrow 0
            end if
       end for
  end while
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Logistic Regression

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Often called *logit* **model**. A way for us to use a linear combination $w^T x$ to predict probabilities of a binary classification problem.

For a data point (x_i, y_i) the model will predict:

$$P(y_i=1|x_i)$$

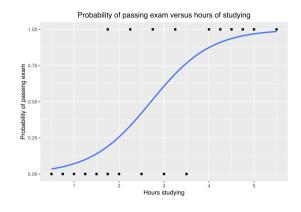
Simply, the probability that the target belongs to class 1 given the datapoint at index i.

The logistic regression is defined as the following function:

$$\sigma(w^T x_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w^T x_i}}$$

In the basic case where we only have one feature:

$$\sigma(w^T x_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-w_0 - w_1 x_i}}$$



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If we define the binary prediction problem as a probability:

$$P(y=1|x)=p(x)$$

We write the logistic regression prediction as:

$$\hat{p}(x) = \sigma(\hat{w}^T x)$$
 where $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$

where we predict the class of an input x to be 1 if $\hat{p}(x) \ge 0.5$.

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