



Overview of NN Classifier

Pattern Classification



- Is one type of pattern recognition
- Each input vector \vec{x} belongs/not belongs to a particular class

$$\begin{cases} \vec{x} \in \text{class} \implies \vec{x} \in \text{Class 1} \\ \vec{x} \notin \text{class} \implies \vec{x} \in \text{Class 2} \end{cases}$$

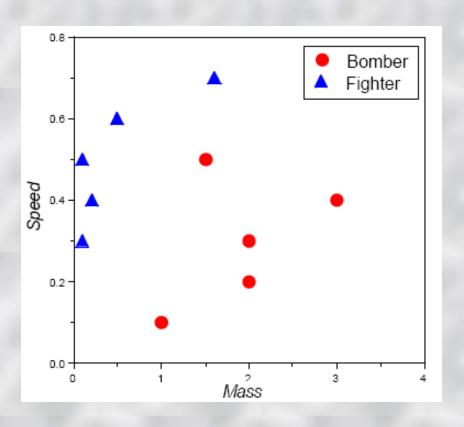
- Set of training data: $\{\langle \vec{s}(p); \vec{t}(p) \rangle, p = 1, ..., P\}$
- Data representation: binary $\begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$ or bipolar $\begin{cases} 1 \\ -1 \end{cases}$ $< \vec{s}(1); \vec{t}(1) > = < -1, -1, 1, 1; 1 >$ $< \vec{s}(2); \vec{t}(2) > = < 1, -1, 1, -1; -1 >$
- In bipolar representation: $\vec{x}^T \vec{x} = n$ where n is dimension of \vec{x}

Ex. of 2-class Patterns



Classifying airplanes given their masses and speeds

Mass	Speed	Class
1.0	0.1	Bomber
2.0	0.2	Bomber
0.1	0.3	Fighter
2.0	0.3	Bomber
0.2	0.4	Fighter
3.0	0.4	Bomber
0.1	0.5	Fighter
1.5	0.5	Bomber
0.5	0.6	Fighter
1.6	0.7	Fighter



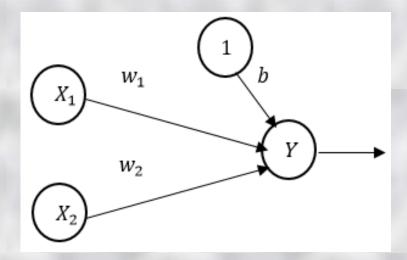
Construct an NN to classify any type of bomber or fighter

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NN Classifier for 2-class Example



- Two inputs: masses and speeds
- One output neuron for each class
 - Activation 1: yes
 - Activation 0: no
- Just one output neuron
 - Activation 1: fighter
 - Activation 0: bomber

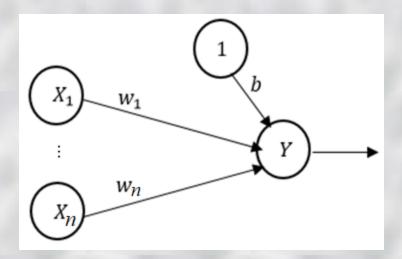


- Try the simplest network: a single layer net
- Replace the threshold (θ) by using a bias (b)

2-class NN Classifier for 2D Data



Using single-layer NN with one output neuron for two classes



$$y_{in} = b + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} w_{i} = b + \vec{w}^{T} \vec{x}$$

$$y = f(y_in) = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ y_in \ge 0 \\ -1 & if \ y_in < 0 \end{cases}$$

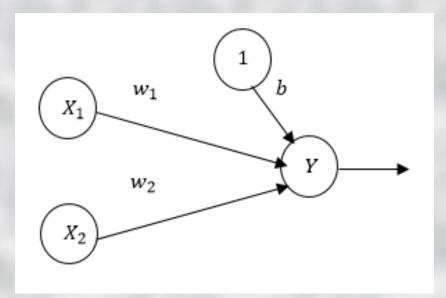
Decision boundary:

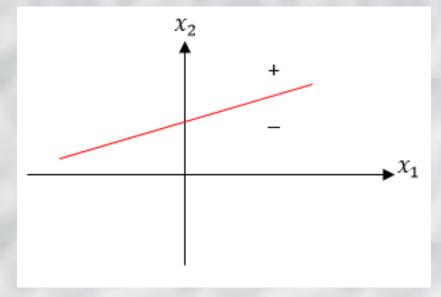
$$b + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i w_i = 0$$

Bias in NN Classifier



The role of bias:





$$y_in = x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 + b$$

$$y = f(y_in) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 + b \ge 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 + b < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 + b = 0 \rightarrow x_2 = -\frac{w_1}{w_2}x_1 - \frac{b}{w_2}$$
 : Decision line

Linear Separability and Decision Hyper-planes



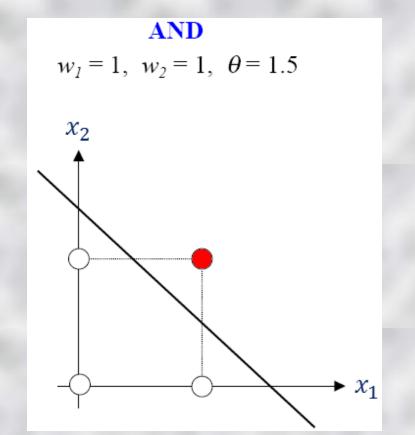
- If for a classification problem, there are weights so that all
 positive training patterns lie on side of decision boundary and
 all negative patterns lie on other side of decision boundary,
 then problem is linearly separable
- For two inputs, decision boundary is 1D straight line in 2D input space

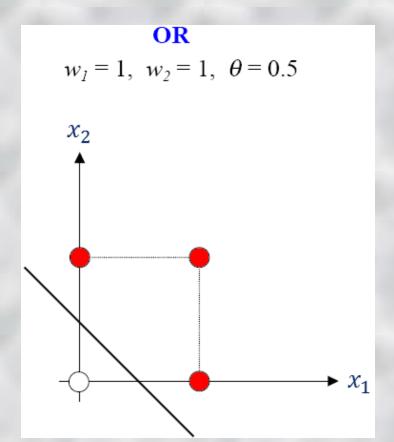
• If we have n inputs, decision boundary is (n-1)D hyper-plane in nD input space

Decision Boundary for AND & OR



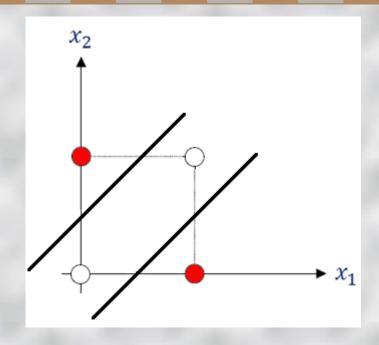
- For simple logic gate problems, decision boundaries between classes are linear:
- Decision boundary: $x_1w_1 + x_2w_2 \theta = 0$





Decision Boundary for XOR





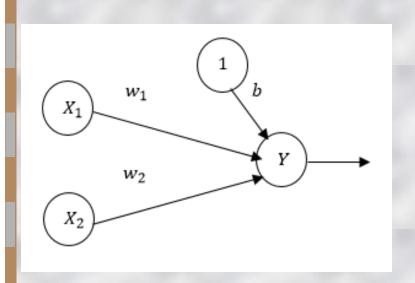
- For XOR, there are two obvious remedies:
 - Either change activation function so that it has more than one decision boundary
 - Use a more complex network that is able to generate more complex decision boundaries

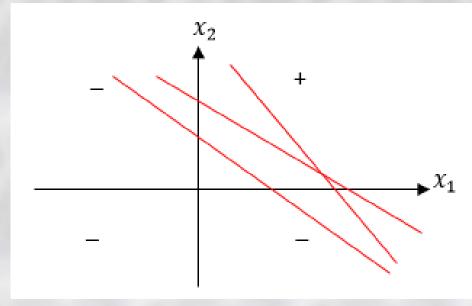
Characteristics of NN Classifier



Decision boundary is not unique

 If a problem is linearly separable, there are many different decision boundary separating positive pattern from negative ones





Characteristics of NN Classifier



The weights and bias are not unique

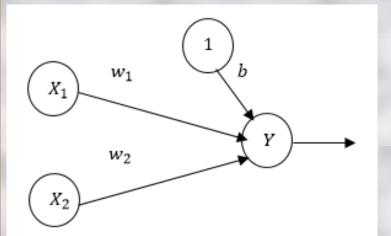
• For each decision boundary, there are many choices for w_i s and b that give exactly the same boundary

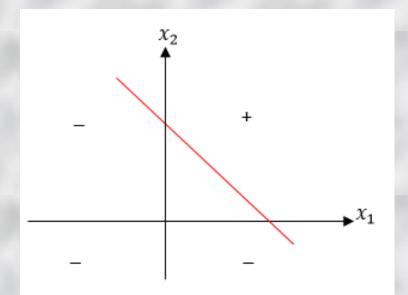
s_1	s_2	t
1	1	1
1	-1	-1
-1	1	-1
-1	-1	-1

$$x_2 = -x_1 + 1$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{w_1}{w_2} x_1 - \frac{b}{w_2}$$

$$w_1 = w_2 = -b$$



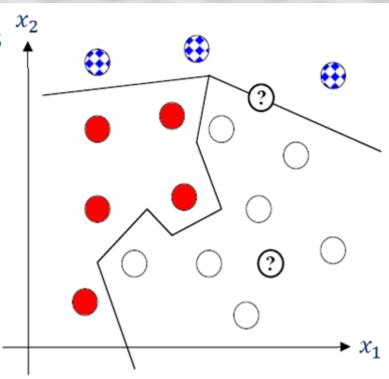


General Decision Boundaries



Generally, we wish NNs:

- To deal with input patterns that are not binary
- To form complex decision boundaries
- To classify inputs into many classes
- Also, to produce outputs for input patterns that were not originally set up to classify
 - Shown with question marks
 - Their classes may be incorrect



Memorization and Generalization



Two important aspects of network's operation:

Memorization:

 The network must learn decision surfaces from a set of training patterns so that these training patterns are classified correctly (are memorized)

Generalization:

- The network must also be able to correctly classify test patterns (sufficiently similar to training patterns) it has never seen before (to generalize)
- A good NN can memorize well; also, can generalize well

Memorization and Generalization



- Sometimes, training data may contain errors:
 - Noise in experimental determination of input values
 - Incorrect classifications

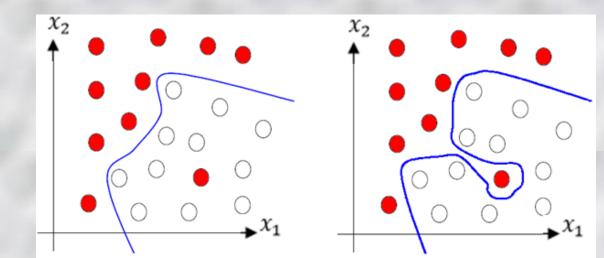
 In this case, learning training data perfectly may make the generalization worse

 There is an important trade-off between memorization and generalization that arises quite generally

Generalization in Classification



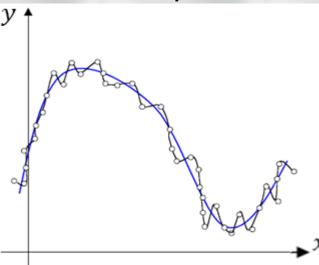
- An NN wants to learn a classification decision boundary
- The aim is to generalize such that it can classify new inputs appropriately
- If training data contains noise, no necessarily need whole training data to be classified accurately as it is likely to reduce generalization ability



Generalization in Function Approximati

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- An NN wants to recover a function for which only noisy data samples exist
- NN is expected:
 - To give a better representation of underlying function if its output curve does not pass through all data points
 - To allow a larger error on training data as is likely to lead to

better generalization



Pattern Representation in Classification



Binary vs. bipolar representation:

In a simple net, form of data representation may change a solvable problem with a non-solvable one

Binary:
$$\begin{cases} 1 & positive \\ 0 & negetive \end{cases}$$

- Binary representation is not as good as bipolar in generalization
- Using bipolar input, missing data can be distinguished from mistaken data