

Perceptron

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Reading: Mitchell Chapter 4.4-4.4.2 & Chapter 7.5
Cristianini/Shawe-Taylor Chapter 2-2.1.1

Outline

- Linear classification rules
- Perceptron learning algorithm
- Mistake-bound model
- Perceptron mistake bound

Example: Spam Filtering

	viagra	learning	the	dating	nigeria	spam?
$\vec{x}_1 =$	(1	0	1	0	0)	$y_1 = 1$
$\vec{x}_2 =$	(0	1	1	0	0)	$y_2 = -1$
$\vec{x}_3 =$	(0	0	0	0	1)	$y_3 = 1$

- **Instance Space X:**
 - Feature vector of word occurrences => binary features
 - N features (N typically > 50000)
- **Target Concept c:**
 - Spam (+1) / Ham (-1)

Linear Classification Rules

- **Hypotheses of the form**
 - unbiased: $h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & w_1x_1 + \dots + w_Nx_N > 0 \\ -1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
 - biased: $h_{\vec{w},b}(\vec{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & w_1x_1 + \dots + w_Nx_N + b > 0 \\ -1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
 - Parameter vector w , scalar b
- **Hypothesis space H**
 - $H_{unbiased} = \{h_{\vec{w}} : \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$
 - $H_{biased} = \{h_{\vec{w},b} : \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- **Notation**
 - $w_1x_1 + \dots + w_Nx_N = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$ and $sign(a) = \begin{cases} 1 & a > 0 \\ -1 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
 - $h_{\vec{w}}(\vec{x}) = sign(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x})$
 - $h_{\vec{w},b}(\vec{x}) = sign(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x} + b)$

(Online) Perceptron Algorithm

- **Input:** $S = ((\vec{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\vec{x}_n, y_n))$, $\vec{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$, $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$
- **Algorithm:**
 - $\vec{w}_0 = \vec{0}$, $k = 0$
 - FOR $i=1$ TO n
 - * IF $y_i(\vec{w}_k \cdot \vec{x}_i) \leq 0$ ### makes mistake
 - $\vec{w}_{k+1} = \vec{w}_k + \eta y_i \vec{x}_i$
 - $k = k + 1$
 - * ENDIF
 - ENDFOR
- **Output:** \vec{w}_k

Margin of a Linear Classifier

Definition: For a linear classifier h_w , the **margin** δ of an example (\vec{x}, y) is $\delta = y(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x})$.

Definition: The margin is called **geometric margin**, if $\|\vec{w}\| = 1$. Otherwise, functional margin.

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Definition: The (hard) margin of an unbiased linear classifier $h_{\vec{w}}$ on a task $P(X, Y)$ is $\delta = \inf_{S \sim P(X, Y)} \min_{(\vec{x}, y) \in S} y(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x})$.

(Batch) Perceptron Algorithm

Input: $S = ((\vec{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\vec{x}_n, y_n))$, $\vec{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^N$, $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$,
 $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$, $I \in [1, 2, \dots]$

Algorithm:

- $\vec{w}_0 = \vec{0}$, $k = 0$
- repeat
 - FOR $i=1$ TO n
 - * IF $y_i(\vec{w}_k \cdot \vec{x}_i) \leq 0$ ### makes mistake
 - $\vec{w}_{k+1} = \vec{w}_k + \eta y_i \vec{x}_i$
 - $k = k + 1$
 - * ENDIF
 - ENDFOR
- until I iterations reached

Example: Reuters Text Classification

