

PSYCO 452

Week 3: Sequences Of Decisions


- Building Associations
- Making Decisions
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- Multilayer Perceptron
- Credit Assignment Problem
- Backpropagation Of Error
 - Integration Device Network
 - Networks Of Value Units

Course Trajectory

When	What
Weeks 1-3	Basics of three architectures (DAM, perceptron, MLP)
Weeks 4-6	Cognitive science of DAMs and perceptrons
Week 7	Connectionism and Cognitive Psychology
Weeks 8-10	Interpreting MLPs
Weeks 11-13	Case studies (interpretations, applications, architectures)

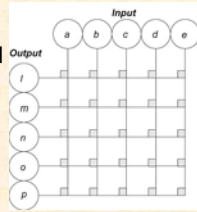
Chapter 10 Discussion

- Questions?
- Important Terms
 - Nonlinearity
 - All-or-none law
 - Activation function
 - Perceptron
 - Logistic equation
 - Integration device
 - Gaussian equation
 - Value unit
 - Gradient descent rule
 - Linear nonseparability



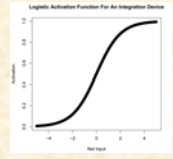
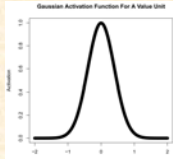
Association: The DAM

- Modern views of neural association have produced the distributed associative memory
- This memory model has many interesting properties
- But we know that it is severely limited in its processing power



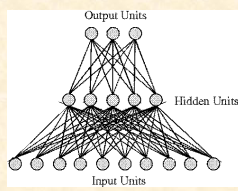
Nonlinearity: The Perceptron

- Our first step in dealing with this issue was developing a DAM with nonlinear activation functions in its output units – i.e. the perceptron
- Nonlinearity permits output units to be interpreted as making decisions

Adding Hidden Units

- In this lecture we consider another step to make networks even more powerful than perceptrons
- With nonlinear activation functions, intermediate layers of processors add power
- To make powerful, modern networks, we can train multilayer perceptrons that include at least one layer of hidden units

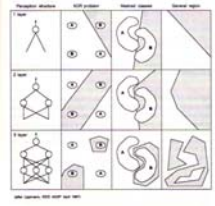


Classification: How Powerful?

- Lippmann (1987) proved that a network with only two layers of hidden units can be an **arbitrary pattern classifier**
- “No more than three layers [of connections] are required in perceptron-like feedforward nets” (p. 16).

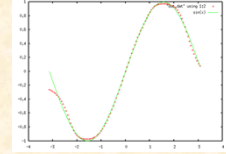


Richard P. Lippmann



Function Fitting: How Powerful?

It has been proven that networks can be **universal function approximators**. “If we have the right connections from the input units to a large enough set of hidden units, we can always find a representation that will form any mapping from input to output” (Rumelhart, Hinton, & Williams, 1986).



Computation: How Powerful?



- McCulloch and Pitts proved that one could build a UTM tape head from a network.
- “To psychology, however defined, specification of the net would contribute all that could be achieved in that field” (1943).



Warren McCulloch



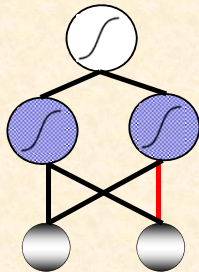
Walter Pitts

Teaching Perceptrons

- With nonlinear activation functions, we considered variations of the delta rule for training perceptrons
 - Delta rule for threshold function
 - $W_{ij(new)} = W_{ij(old)} + \eta(t_j - o_j)a_i$
 - Gradient descent rule for logistic function
 - $W_{ij(new)} = W_{ij(old)} + \eta(t_j - o_j)f'(net)a_i$
 - Gradient descent rule for Gaussian function
 - $W_{ij(new)} = W_{ij(old)} + \eta(t_j - o_j)G'(net)a_i + \eta(t_j * net)G'(net)a_i$

Teaching Multilayer Perceptrons?

- Hidden units have no desired values associated with them
- So how do you compute their error?
- How do you give each hidden unit proper “credit” for its contribution to overall network error?
- Use calculus to determine how much the overall error rate is affected by manipulating one of the weights that goes into a hidden unit



Backpropagation of Error

- “Generalized delta rule”
- Originally discovered by Paul Werbos in 1975
- Re-discovered (and popularized) by Rumelhart, Hinton, & Williams (1986)



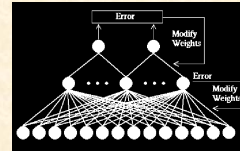
David Rumelhart



Geoff Hinton



Ronald J. Williams



The Logistic Equation

- The logistic activation is nonlinear, which is crucial
- More importantly it is continuous
- It has a derivative
- It permits the use of calculus to derive a learning rule

$$a_{pi} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(-net_{pi})}}$$

Gradient Descent

- $E = \sum E_p = \sum \sum (t_{pi} - o_{pi})^2$
 - "Total error = sum of squared differences between desired and observed activity, summing over all patterns and all output units"
- We want to go downhill in E

$$\Delta w_{ij} = -k \delta E_p / \delta w_{ij}$$
- Calculus says: $\Delta w_{ij} = \epsilon \delta_{pi} a_{pj}$
 - Weight change = learning rate * error * input activity

What Is δ_{pi} ?

- The derivative of the logistic equation with respect to net input is

$$a_{pi} (1 - a_{pi})$$

- So, for an output unit:

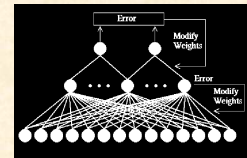
$$\delta_{pi} = (t_{pi} - a_{pi}) a_{pi} (1 - a_{pi})$$

- And for a hidden unit:

$$\delta_{pi} = a_{pi} (1 - a_{pi}) \sum \delta_{pk} w_{ki}$$

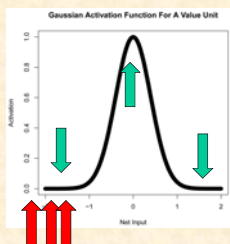
From Math To Algorithm

- Present a pattern to a network
 - Calculate output unit error
 - Use gradient descent rule to modify output unit weights
 - Send error backwards as "net input" to hidden units to determine their error
 - Use gradient descent rule to modify hidden unit weights
- Repeat for next pattern, until network converges on a solution



Value Units And GDR

- Inserting the Gaussian into the standard backprop rule does not lead to efficient learning
- Instead, the network usually falls into a local minimum in which it has learned to turn off to all problems
- Dawson and Schopflocher (1992) had to derive a new version of GDR to solve this problem



An Elaborated Error Term

- Standard error term in GDR

$$E = \sum E_p = \sum \sum (t_{pi} - o_{pi})^2$$
- Dawson & Schopflocher error term

$$E = \sum E_p = \sum \sum (t_{pi} - o_{pi})^2 + \sum \sum t_{pi} (net_{pi} - \mu_i)^2$$
- This second term keeps some of the patterns in the middle of the activation function!



Michael R.W. Dawson



Don Schopflocher

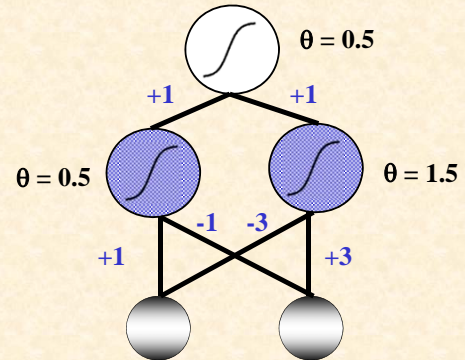
A New Learning Rule

- Using the Gaussian, and the Rumelhart Hinton & Williams chain rule procedure, one can derive a learning rule for value units:

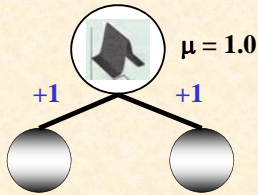
$$\Delta w_{ij} = \eta(\delta_{pi} - \varepsilon_{pi}) a_{pj}$$

- Essentially the same as GDR, with the exception of an elaborated (two component) error term

An XOR Network

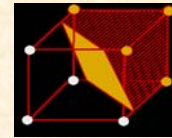


Another XOR Network



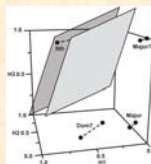
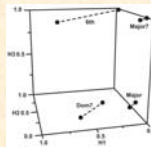
Pattern Recognition

- Networks are frequently used to classify patterns
- They carve a pattern space into decision regions
- Patterns are classified according to these decision regions
- Each unit with a logistic activation function makes a single straight cut through a pattern space



Value Unit Carving

- A value unit carves a pattern space in a different fashion
- It behaves as if it has two thresholds
- It makes two parallel straight cuts through a pattern space
- The two cuts are very close together in the space



Comparing Network Types

- By looking at activation functions, and how they carve pattern spaces, you can predict when networks will have problems
- There should be network type by problem type interactions:
- Value units
 - Good for linearly nonseparable
 - Bad for linearly separable
- Integration devices
 - Good for linearly separable
 - Bad for linearly nonseparable

