Unsupervised Learning
(chapter 11)

Soft Computing: Unsupervised Learning

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Competitive Learning Networks
Kohonen Self-Organizing Networks
Learning Vector Quantization

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Introduction

When no teacher or critic is available, only the input vectors can be used for learning.

Learning system categorizes or detects features without feedback

=> use for clustering, feature extraction, similarity detection, data mining

Competitive Learning

Winner takes all:

Weights of the unit with highest activation are updated

The weight vector rotates slowly towards the cluster centers

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Competitive Learning

Activation of output unit j

$$a_j = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{3} (x_i - w_{ij})^2} = ||x - w_j||$$

and the weights are updated according to:

$$w_k(t+1) = w_k(t) + \eta(x(t) - w_k(t))$$

Note: different metrics can be used leading to different solutions

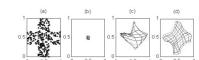
If initial weights are far from actual centers: may never get updated;

=> use leaky learning

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Self-Organizing Networks (Kohonen)

- Learning is similar to Competitive Learning
- Not only the winning units are updated but all the weights in a neighborhood
- · Size of neighborhood decreases
- Topological properties in the input data is reflected in the output units through neighborhood constraints



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Self-Organizing Networks

Algorithm

- Step 1

Select winning output (smallest dissimilarity)

$$||x - w_c|| = \min_i ||x - w_i||$$

- Step 2

Update winners and neighborhood NBc of winner c

$$\Delta w_i = \eta (x - w_i) \qquad i \in NB_c$$

Reduce η gradually

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Learning Vector Quantization (LVQ)

Adaptive data classification

- 1. Cluster data (using any clustering tool)
- 2. Label data using majority of data in cluster "voting method"

Fine tune class information to minimize errors by

- 3. Finding cluster center closest to input
- 4. If x and w_k belong to the same class:

$$\Delta w_k = \eta (x - w_k)$$

otherwise

$$\Delta w_k = -\eta \big(x - w_k \big)$$

Repeat until max. number of iterations reached

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Adaptive Resonance Theory (ART)

- Accept and adapt stored prototypes of a class when the input is sufficiently similar to it.
- Input and stored prototype are said to "resonate".
- If the input is not sufficiently similar to any class, then form a new class.
- Similarity is judged by a "vigilance" level
- ART1 focuses on binary input.
- ART2 designed for continuous input.

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ART1

Algorithm

- 1. Enable all output units
- 2. Find the winner among all enabled output units by comparing the components of the input vector.
- 3. Check whether the match is good enough by comparing the ratio of bits in input and prototype to vigilance level
- 4. If the match is good, adjust winning vector by adjusting any bits that are not also in input vector.
- 5. If the match is not good enough, create a new class by adding the current vector as a class prototype.

