

EECS598: Prediction and Learning: It's Only a Game

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## Lecture 11: Perceptron and Universal Portfolio Selection

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**Announcements**

- Class on 10/16 in DOW 3150 9:00-10:30

**1 Perceptron**

Sequence of  $(x^1, y^1), \dots, (x^T, y^T) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \{-1, 1\}$ . Assume  $\exists$  unknown  $w^* \in \mathbb{R}^d$  such that  $\forall t$  we have the margin assumption:

$$\underline{w}^* \cdot \underline{x}^t y^t \geq 1 \quad (1.1)$$

$$\|w^*\| \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \quad (1.2)$$

Perceptron Algorithm:

$$\underline{w}^1 = \vec{0} \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad (1.3)$$

for  $t=1, \dots, T$ 

$$\begin{cases} \text{if } \underline{w}^t \cdot \underline{x}^t y^t > 0 \rightarrow \underline{w}^{t+1} = \underline{w}^t \\ \text{o.w. } \underline{w}^{t+1} = \underline{w}^t + y^t \underline{x}^t \end{cases}$$

**Then:** number of mistakes of perceptron  $\leq \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$  assuming  $\|\underline{x}^t\|_2 \leq 1$

**Proof:** Use potential function:

$$\Phi_t = -\|\underline{w}^t - \underline{w}^*\|^2 \quad (1.4)$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{If no mistake at } t, \Phi_{t+1} = \Phi_t \\ \text{Otherwise, } \Phi_{t+1} - \Phi_t = \|\underline{w}^t - \underline{w}^*\|^2 - \|\underline{w}^{t+1} - \underline{w}^*\|^2 = 2y^t \underline{w}^* \cdot \underline{x}^t - 2y^t \underline{w}^t \cdot \underline{x}^t - \|y^t \underline{x}^t\|^2 \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^T \Phi_{t+1} - \Phi_t = \Phi_{T+1} - \Phi_1 \geq \text{number of mistakes perceptron} \quad (1.5)$$

$$\Phi_{T+1} - \Phi_1 \leq -\Phi_1 = \|w^*\|^2 \quad (1.6)$$

**Observations:**1) Perceptron  $\leftrightarrow$  Gradient Descendant

$$\text{lossFunc } l(\underline{w}; (x, y)) := \max(0, -y \underline{w} \cdot \underline{x}) \quad (1.7)$$

$$\nabla l(\underline{w}) = \begin{cases} y, & \text{if } (\underline{w} \cdot \underline{x})y \geq 0 \\ -y\underline{x}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

2) After T rounds,  $\underline{w}^{T+1}$  correctly classifies all  $(x^t, y^t)$ ? NO!

3) Use perceptron to solve LPs (homework)

## 2 Universal Portfolio Selection

### 2.1 Online Learning Scenarios

1) Prediction with Experts 2) Online action / Game playing 3) Online Classification 4) Universal portfolio selection  $\leftrightarrow$  Online Convex Optimization

### 2.2 Betting: Horses

Given odds  $r_1, \dots, r_m$ , if I invest  $q$  dollars in horse  $i$  and he wins I earn  $qr_i$ . Expect:  $\sum \frac{1}{r_i} \geq 1$ . If  $\sum \frac{1}{r_i} < 1$  there is arbitrage, then, invest  $\frac{1}{r_i}$  in horse  $i$ . For any outcome  $i$ ,  $\frac{1}{r_i}r_i = 1$ . Assume you now the true probability of winner  $\underline{P} \in \Delta_n$ .

$$\arg \max_{\underline{q} \in \Delta_n} E_{i \sim P}[q_i r_i] = \arg \max_{\underline{q}} \sum p_i r_i q_i \quad (2.1)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Put all money on one horse: } i^* = \arg \max_i p_i r_i \quad (2.2)$$

$$\arg \max_{\underline{q} \in \Delta_n} E_{i \sim P}[q_i r_i] = \arg \max_{\underline{q}} \sum p_i \log(r_i q_i) \quad (2.3)$$

$$\arg \max_{\underline{q} \in \Delta_n} \sum p_i \log(q_i) + f(r_i, p_i) \quad (2.4)$$

$$\arg \max_{\underline{q} \in \Delta_n} \sum p_i \log(p_i) + \sum p_i \log\left(\frac{p_i}{q_i}\right) \quad (2.5)$$

$$\arg \max_{\underline{q} \in \Delta_n} -H(p) - KL(\underline{p} \parallel \underline{q}) \quad (2.6)$$

$$= P \quad (2.7)$$

### 2.3 Portfolios and Stocks

$N$  stocks, prices fluctuate,  $\underline{x}^t \in (0, \infty)^n$

$$x_i^t = \frac{\text{Price}_{t+1}(\text{stock } i)}{\text{Price}_t(\text{stock } i)} \quad (2.8)$$

Algorithm chooses portfolio  $\underline{w}^t \in \delta_n$  on day  $t$ .  $W_i^t$  = fraction of wealth in stock  $i$ . Multi growth in wealth on day  $t$  is  $\underline{w}^t \cdot \underline{x}^t$ . After  $T$  days, we define  $\text{Wealth}_{T+1}(w) = c \prod_{t=1}^T (\underline{w} \cdot \underline{x}^t)$ . CRT=Constant rebalanced portfolio: on each day, buy and sell stocks so that fraction of wealth of stock  $i$  is  $w_i$ .

Table 1:

Stock	t=1	2	3	...	n
MSFT	1/2	2	1/2	...	2
AAPL	2	1/2	2	...	1/2

**Question:** Is best CRP single stock? NO In the end, AAPL and MSFT so the wealth  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = (1.25)^T$

$$Wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^1, \underline{w}^2, \dots, \underline{w}^T) = \prod_{t=1}^T (\underline{w} \cdot \underline{x}^t) \quad (2.9)$$

Want: Low regret to best CRP

$$\max_{w^*} \sum_{t=1}^T \log(\underline{w}^* \cdot \underline{x}^t) - \sum_{t=1}^T \log(\underline{w}^t \cdot \underline{x}^t) \quad (2.10)$$

I want this to be SMALL.

### Algorithm: Universal

- For every  $\underline{w} \in \Delta_n$  invest CRD infinitesimal amount of money in  $\underline{w}$ .
- Rebalance money earned in CRD( $w$ ) within this portfolio.
- No sharing across portfolios.

$$Wealth_{t+1}(Universal) = \int_{w \in \Delta_n} \frac{\prod_{s=1}^t (\underline{w} \cdot \underline{x}^s)}{Vol(\Delta_n)} d\mu \quad (2.11)$$

$$Vol(\Delta_n) = \frac{\sqrt{n+1}}{n! \sqrt{2^n}} \quad (2.12)$$

$$W_{i,univ}^t = \frac{\int_{w \in \Delta_n} w_i \prod_{s=1}^t (w \cdot \underline{x}^s) d\mu}{\int Wealth_t(w) d\mu} \quad (2.13)$$

Analysis: Define  $Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w})$ :

$$Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}) = \{w' \in \Delta_n : w' = (1 - \epsilon)\underline{w} + \epsilon \underline{V} \text{ for any } \underline{V} \in \Delta_n\} \quad (2.14)$$

Claim 1:  $Vol(Ball_\epsilon(w)) = Vol(\Delta_n)\epsilon^{n-1}$  Claim 2:

$$\underline{w}' \in Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}) \quad (2.15)$$

$$wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}') = wealth_{T+1}(w(1 - \epsilon) + \epsilon \underline{V}) \geq (1 - \epsilon)^T wealth(\underline{w}) \quad (2.16)$$

Observe:

$$wealth(universal) = \frac{1}{Vol(\Delta_n)} \int_{w \in \Delta_n} wealth_{T+1}(w) d\mu \quad (2.17)$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{Vol(\Delta_n)} \int_{w \in Ball_\epsilon(w^*)} wealth_{T+1}(w) d\mu = \frac{1}{Vol(\Delta_n)} \int_{w \in Ball_\epsilon(w^*)} (1 - \epsilon)^T wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^*) d\mu \quad (2.18)$$

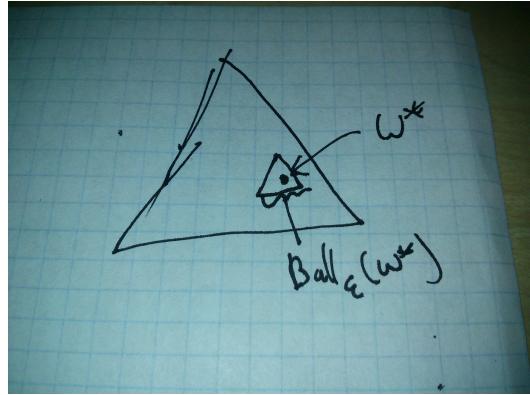


Figure 1: claim 2

$$= \frac{1}{Vol(\Delta_n)} (1 - \epsilon)^T wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^*) \int_{\underline{w} \in Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}^*)} d\mu \quad (2.19)$$

$$\int_{\underline{w} \in Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}^*)} d\mu = Vol(Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}^*)) \quad (2.20)$$

$$\frac{1}{Vol(\Delta_n)} (1 - \epsilon)^T wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^*) \int_{\underline{w} \in Ball_\epsilon(\underline{w}^*)} d\mu = (1 - \epsilon)^T \epsilon^n wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^*) \quad (2.21)$$

$$\text{For } \epsilon = 1/T, = (1 - \frac{1}{T})^T \frac{1}{T}^N wealth_{T+1}(\underline{w}^*) \quad (2.22)$$

$$\log(wealth(\underline{w})) \geq \log(wealth(\underline{w}^*)) - N \log T + O(1) \quad (2.23)$$