The Hebbian-LMS Algorithm

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Figure 1: Adaline. An adaptive linear neuron



Figure 2: Knobby adaline



Figure 3: Adaline with bootstrap learning.



Figure 4-(a): Bootstrap learning. The quantized output, the sum, and the error vs (SUM).



Figure 4-(b): Bootstrap learning. The error vs (SUM).



Figure 5: Decision-directed learning for channel equalization.

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(a) Before equalization.

(b) After equalization.

Figure 6: Eye patterns produced by overlaying cycles of the received waveform.



Figure 7: A sigmoidal neuron trained with bootstrap learning.



Figure 8-(a): The error of a sigmoidal neuron with bootstrap learning.



Figure 8-(b): The error function.



Figure 9: A post-synaptic neuron with excitatory and inhibitory inputs and all positive weights trained with LMS bootstrap learning. All outputs are positive after rectification



Figure 10-(a): The error of the sigmoidal neuron with rectified output, trained with bootstrap learning.



Figure 10-(b): The error function.



Figure 11-(a): Hebbian-LMS learning process. Initial condition.



Figure 11-(b): Hebbian-LMS learning process. After 100 iterations



Figure 11-(c): Hebbian-LMS learning process. After 2000 iterations



Figure 11-(d): Hebbian-LMS learning process. After 5000 iterations



Figure 11-(e): Hebbian-LMS learning curve.



Figure 12: An example of a layered neural network.



Figure 13: A general form of Hebbian-LMS.



Figure 14: A synapse corresponding to a variable weight.



- When the pre-synaptic neuron is not firing, there will be no neurotransmitter in the gap and there will be no weight change. This applies to both excitatory and inhibitory synapses.
- When the pre-synaptic neuron is firing, and the post-synaptic neuron is also firing, there will be neurotransmitter in the gap and the post-synaptic membrane voltage will be positive since the (SUM) is positive, and the number of neuroreceptors will gradually increase, thus increasing the weight. This applies to excitatory synapses.
- When the pre-synaptic neuron is firing, and the post-synaptic neuron is not firing, there will be neurotransmitter in the gap and the post-synaptic membrane voltage will be negative since the (SUM) is negative and its number of neuroreceptors will gradually decrease, thus decreasing the weight. This applies to excitatory synapses.
- The opposite of these rules apply to inhibitory synapses.

Figure 16: Postulates of synaptic plasticity



Figure 17: A linear error function.



Figure 18: Hebbian-LMS with a linear error function.