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Lecture 4: Machine Learning II Principle of Learning

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Classification

Features: color, weight Label: taste is sweet (positive/+) or not (negative/-)



(color, weight) \rightarrow sweet ? $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \{-1, +1\}$

ground-truth function f

examples/training data: $\{(\boldsymbol{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\boldsymbol{x}_m, y_m)\}\$ $y_i = f(\boldsymbol{x}_i)$

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e.g. training error $\epsilon_t = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m I(h(\boldsymbol{x}_i) \neq y_i)$

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over the whole distribution: generalization error

$$\epsilon_g = \mathbb{E}_x [I(h(\boldsymbol{x}) \neq f(\boldsymbol{x}))]$$
$$= \int_{\mathcal{X}} p(x) I(h(\boldsymbol{x}) \neq f(\boldsymbol{x}))] dx$$







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Regression

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e.g. training mean square error/MSE

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selection a hypothesis according to learner's bias

hypothesis space scoring function search algorithm



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Theories

The i.i.d. assumption: all training examples and future (test) examples are drawn *independently* from an *identical distribution*



bias-variance dilemma (regression)

generalization bound (classification)



Bias-variance dilemma

Suppose we have 100 training examples but there can be different training sets

Start from the expected training MSE:

$$E_D[\epsilon_t] = E_D\left[\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m (h(\boldsymbol{x}_i) - y_i)^2\right] = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m E_D\left[(h(\boldsymbol{x}_i) - y_i)^2\right]$$

(assume no noise)

$$E_{D} \left[(h(\boldsymbol{x}) - f(\boldsymbol{x}))^{2} \right]$$

= $E_{D} \left[(h(\boldsymbol{x}) - E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})] + E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})] - f(\boldsymbol{x}))^{2} \right]$
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+ $E_{D} \left[2(h(\boldsymbol{x}) - E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})])(E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})] - f(\boldsymbol{x})) \right]$
= $E_{D} \left[(h(\boldsymbol{x}) - E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})])^{2} \right] + E_{D} \left[(E_{D}[h(\boldsymbol{x})] - f(\boldsymbol{x}))^{2} \right]$
variance bias^2









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model complexity

error

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more examplessmaller hypothesis space

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overall:

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more examples
 n error: smaller hypothesis space
 smaller training error



Hoeffding's inequality

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X be an i.i.d. random variable X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_m be m samples

$$X_i \in [a, b]$$

 $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} X_i - \mathbb{E}[X] \leftarrow \text{ difference between sum and expectation}$

$$P(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} X_i - \mathbb{E}[X] \ge \epsilon) \le \exp\left(-\frac{2\epsilon^2 m}{(b-a)^2}\right)$$



for one
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$$X_{i} = I(h(x_{i}) \neq f(x_{i})) \in [0, 1]$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} X_{i} \rightarrow \epsilon_{t}(h) \qquad \mathbb{E}[X_{i}] \rightarrow \epsilon_{g}(h)$$

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$$\leq P(\exists h \in |\mathcal{H}| : \epsilon_{t}(h) - \epsilon_{g}(h) \geq \epsilon) \leq |\mathcal{H}| \exp(-2\epsilon^{2}m)$$



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Generalization error: Summary

assume i.i.d. examples consistent hypothesis case:

> with probability at least $1 - \delta$ $\epsilon_g < \frac{1}{m} \cdot \left(\ln |\mathcal{H}| + \ln \frac{1}{\delta} \right)$

inconsistent hypothesis case:

with probability at least $1-\delta$

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generalization error:

number of examples mtraining error ϵ_t hypothesis space complexity $\ln |\mathcal{H}|$





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Leslie Valiant Turing Award (2010) EATCS Award (2008) Knuth Prize (1997) Nevanlinna Prize (1986)



Learning algorithms revisit



Decision Tree



the possibility of trees grows very fast with *d*

-- the divergence between infinite and finite samples





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To make decision tree less complex

Pre-pruning: early stop
minimum data in leaf
maximum depth
maximum accuracy

Post-pruning: prune full grown DT

reduced error pruning

Reduced error pruning

- 1. Grow a decision tree
- 2. For every node starting from the leaves
- 3. Try to make the node leaf, if does not increase the error, keep as the leaf





could split a validation set out from the training set to evaluate the error

DT boundary visualization





decision stump

max depth=2

max depth=12





choose a linear combination in each node:

axis parallel: $X_1 > 0.5$

oblique: $0.2 X_1 + 0.7 X_2 + 0.1 X_3 > 0.5$

was hard to train



Learning algorithms revisit



Naive Bayes

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graphic representation

naive Bayes assumption:

$$P(\boldsymbol{x} \mid y) = \prod_{i} P(x_i \mid y)$$





no assumption:

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if the assumption does not hold ...



Relaxation of naive Bayes assumption

assume features are conditional independence given the class

- if the assumption holds, naive Bayes classifier will have excellence performance
- if the assumption does not hold ...
- Naive Bayes classifier may also have good performance
- Reform the data to satisfy the assumption
- Invent algorithms to relax the assumption



Reform the data



clustering to generate data with subclasses





TreeNB

train an NB classifier in each leaf node of a rough decision tree



TAN (Tree Augmented NB) extends NB by allowing every feature to have one more parent feature other than the class, which forms a tree structure





AODE (average one-dependent estimators)

expand a posterior probability with one-dependent estimators (ODEs) $P(x \mid y) = P(x_2, ..., x_n \mid x_1, y)P(x_1 \mid y)$ $= P(x_1 \mid y) \prod P(x_i \mid x_1, y)$

compare with NB: $P(\boldsymbol{x} \mid y) = \prod_{i} P(x_i \mid y)$

The conditional independency is less important

harder to estimate (fewer data)

AODE: average ODEs

 $f(x) = \underset{y}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \sum_{i} I(\operatorname{count}(x_i \ge m)) \cdot \tilde{P}(y) \cdot \tilde{P}(x_i \mid y) \cdot \prod_{j} \tilde{P}(x_j \mid x_i, y)$



Handling numerical features

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Discretization

recall what we have talked about in Lecture 2

Estimate probability density $(P(X) \rightarrow p(x))$ Gaussian model:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\delta^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\delta^2}}$$

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{k/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

training: calculate mean and covariance test: calculate density

Bayesian networks

inference in a graphic model representation a model simplified by conditional independence a clear description of how things are going





Judea Pearl Turing Award 2011

"for fundamental contributions to artificial intelligence through the development of a calculus for probabilistic and causal reasoning"







监督学习的目标是否是最小化训练误差?

PAC-learning泛化界对于任意的潜在分布是否都成立?

解释过配(overfitting)和欠配(underfitting)现象。

解释 Bias-Variance 困境。

一数据集用以下两个多项式函数空间都可以得到O训练错 误率,使用哪个函数空间的泛化错误可能更低? $\mathcal{F}_1 = \{y = a + bx + cx^2 \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ $\mathcal{F}_2 = \{y = a + ax + bx^2 + bx^3 + (a + b)x^4 \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$

朴素贝叶斯假设不满足时,朴素贝叶斯的性能一定不好?