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# Lecture 18: Learning 6 

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## Previously...

Learning
Decision tree learning
Neural networks
Why we can learn
Linear models
Nearest neighbor classifier
Native Bayes classifier
Ensemble learning

## The importance of features



## The importance of features


weather

## The importance of features

features determine the instance distribution
good features lead to better learning results



## Feature processing

a good feature set is more important than a good classifier
feature selection
feature extraction

## Feature selection

To select a set of good features from a given feature set

# Improve learning performance reduce classification error 

Reduce the time/space complexity of learning

Improve the interpretability
Better data visualization
Saving the cost of observing features

## Feature selection



## Evaluation criteria

classifier independent

$$
<x, f(x)>
$$

dependency based criteria
information based criteria
distance based criteria
classifier internal weighting
classifier dependent
$<x, f(x)>$
algorithm

## Dependency based criteria

How a feature set is related with the class
correlation between a feature and the class correlation between two features search: select high correlated low redundant features

## Information based criteria

How much a feature set provides information about the class

Information gain:
Entropy: $H(X)=-\sum_{i} p_{i} \ln \left(p_{i}\right)$
Entropy after split: $I\left(X ;\right.$ split) $=\sum_{j} \frac{\# \text { partition } j}{\# \text { all }} H($ partition $j)$ Information gain: $H(X)-I(X$;split $)$

## A simple forward search

## sequentially add the next best feature

1: $F=$ original feature sets, $C$ is the class label
2: $S=\emptyset$
3: loop
4: $\quad a$
$a=$ the best correlated/informative feature in $F$
5: $\quad v=$ the correlation/IG of $a$
6: $\quad$ if $v<\theta$ then
7: break
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13: $\quad$ if $v^{\prime}>\alpha \cdot v$ then $F=F /\left\{a^{\prime}\right\}$
14: end if
remove
redundant
features

15: end for

16: end loop
17: return $S$

## Distance based criteria

Examples in the same class should be near Examples in different classes should be far

select features to optimize the distance

## Distance based criteria

Relief: feature weighting based on distance

$$
\boldsymbol{w}=0
$$

1. random select an instance $x$
2. find the nearest same-class instance $u$ (according to $w$ )
3. find the nearest diff-class instance $v$ (according $w$ )
4. $\boldsymbol{w}=\boldsymbol{w}-|\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{u}|+|\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{v}|$
5. goto 1 for $m$ times

select the features whose weights are above a threshold

## Feature weighting from classifiers

Many classification algorithms perform feature selection and weighting internally
decision tree: select a set of features by recursive IG
random forest: weight features by the frequency of using a feature
linear model: a natural feature weighting
select features from these models' internal feature weighting
note the difference to FS for classification

## Classifier dependent feature selection

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select features to maximize the performance of the following learning task
slow in speed
hard to search
hard to generalize the selection results
more accurate learning result

## Classifier dependent feature selection

## Sequential forward search:

 add features one-by-one$$
F=\text { original feature set }
$$

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$$
\text { perf-so-far }=\text { the worst performance value }
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loop

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\text { for } a \in F \text { do }
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v(a)=\text { the performance given features } S \cup\{a\}
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end for
$m a=$ the best feature
$m v=v(m a)$
if $m v$ is worse than perf-so-far then
break
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## Classifier dependent feature selection

## Sequential backward search:

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## Classifier dependent feature selection


forward
faster

backward
more accurate

## Classifier dependent feature selection

 random init backwardforward
backward

combined forward-backward search

## Feature extraction

disclosure the inner structure of the data to support a better learning performance
feature extraction construct new features
commonly followed by a feature selection
usually used for low-level features


## Linear methods

## Principal components analysis (PCA)

rotate the data to align the directions of the variance



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$w$ is the eigenvector with the largest eigenvalue

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## Linear methods

Optdigits after PCA


## Linear methods

(a) Scree graph for Optdigits

(b) Proportion of variance explained


## Linear methods

Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)
keep the distance into a lower dimensional space
for linear transformation, W is an $\mathrm{n} * \mathrm{k}$ matrix
$\arg \min _{W} \sum_{i, j}\left(\left\|\boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{\top} W-\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{\top} W\right\|-\left\|\boldsymbol{x}_{i}-\boldsymbol{x}_{j}\right\|\right)^{2}$

## Linear methods


from [Intro. ML]

## Linear methods

Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)
find a direction such that the two classes are well separated

$$
z=\boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{x}
$$

$m$ be the mean of a class
$s^{2}$ be the variance of a class

maximize the criterion

$$
J(\boldsymbol{w})=\frac{\left(m_{1}-m_{2}\right)^{2}}{s_{1}^{2}+s_{2}^{2}}
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$$

Given that $\boldsymbol{w}^{T}\left(\boldsymbol{m}_{1}-\boldsymbol{m}_{2}\right) / \boldsymbol{w}^{T} \mathbf{S}_{W} \boldsymbol{w}$ is a constant, we have $\boldsymbol{w}=c \mathbf{S}_{W}^{-1}\left(\boldsymbol{m}_{1}-\boldsymbol{m}_{2}\right)$ just take $c=1$ and find $\boldsymbol{w}$

## Linear methods



## Example: Face recognition

PCA and LDA are commonly used to extract features for face recognition.

Basis of eigenface (PCA):


Basis of Fisherface (LDA):


Manifold learning


## Manifold learning



## Manifold learning

A low intrinsic dimensional data embedded in a high dimensional space
cause a bad distance measure


## Manifold learning

## ISOMAP

1. construct a neighborhood graph (kNN and $\varepsilon$-NN)
2. calculate distance matrix as the shortest path on the graph

3. apply MDS on the distance matrix


## Manifold learning

Optdigits after Isomap (with neighborhood graph).


## Manifold learning

## Local Linear Embedding (LLE):

1. find neighbors for each instance
2. calculate a linear reconstruction for an instance

$$
\sum_{r}\left\|\boldsymbol{x}^{r}-\sum_{s} \mathbf{W}_{r s} \boldsymbol{X}_{(r)}^{s}\right\|^{2}
$$

3. find low dimensional instances preserving the reconstruction

$$
\sum_{r}\left\|\boldsymbol{z}^{r}-\sum_{s} \mathbf{W}_{r s} \boldsymbol{z}^{s}\right\|^{2}
$$




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more manifold learning examples


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## Other feature extraction methods

Most feature extractions are case specific

Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN/LeNet) for general image feature extraction


## A summary of approaches



