# Machine Learning\* Homework

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#### 1. Homework I

A. [20pts] Basic Probability and Statistics

The probability distribution of random variable *X* follows:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & 0 < x < 1; \\ \frac{1}{6} & 2 < x < 5; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$
 (1)

- (1) [5pts] Please give the cumulative distribution function  $F_X(x)$  for X;
- (2) [5pts] Define random variable Y as  $Y = 1/(X^2)$ , please give the probability density function  $f_Y(y)$  for Y;
- (3) [10pts] For some random non-negative random variable Z, please prove the following two formulations are equivalent:

$$\mathbb{E}[Z] = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} z f(z) dz,$$
 (2)

$$\mathbb{E}[Z] = \int_{z=0}^{\infty} \Pr[Z \ge z] dz,$$
(3)

Meantime, please calculate the expectation of random variable X and Y by these two expectation formulations to verify your proof.

<sup>\*</sup>Thank you teacher and TAs for your correction.

# My solution:

(1):

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \le 0; \\ \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x) = \frac{x}{2} & 0 < x < 1; \\ \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(x) = \int_0^1 f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2} & 1 \le x \le 2 \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{6} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{x+1}{6} & 2 < x < 5; \\ 1 & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

(2):

Y 的可能取值范围:  $(0,+\infty]$ ;

 $y \leq 0$  时,

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \le y) = 0;$$

y > 0 时,

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \le y) = P(\frac{1}{y} \le x^2) = 1 - F_X(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}) + F_X(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}})$$

求导得:

$$p_Y(y) = F_Y'(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2y^{\frac{3}{2}}} \left( p_X(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}) - p_X(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}}) \right) & y > 0\\ 0 & y \le 0 \end{cases}$$

(3):

i. 由定义

$$\mathbb{E}[Z] = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} z_i P(Z = z_i)$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta z \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} z_i (F_Z(z_i + \Delta z) - F_Z(z_i))$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta z \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} z_i (\int_{z_i}^{z_i + \Delta z} f(z_i) dz_i)$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta z \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \Delta z z_i f(z_i)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f(z) dz$$

$$= \int_{z=0}^{\infty} z f(z) dz$$

ii.

$$E(z) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} (1 - F(z)) dz$$

$$0 \le z F(-z) \le \int_{-\infty}^{-z} |x| dF(x) \quad (\forall z > 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \to +\infty} z F(-z) \to 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{z \to -\infty} z F(z) = 0$$

$$\lim_{z \to +\infty} 2[1 - F(z)] \le \int_{0}^{+\infty} |x| d[1 - F(x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \to +\infty} 2[1 - F(z)] = 0$$

$$E(z) = \int_{0}^{+\infty} z d[1 - F(z)]$$

$$= -\int_{0}^{+\infty} z d[1 - F(z)] dz$$

$$= -\int_{0}^{+\infty} |x| dz$$

$$= \int_{0}^{+\infty} (1 - F(z)) dz$$

$$\lim_{z \to +\infty} |x| = \int_{0}^{+\infty} (1 - F(z)) dz$$

2. [20PTS] STRONG CONVEXITY

Let  $D \in \mathbb{R}^2$  be a finite set. Define a function  $E : \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$  by

$$E(a,b,c) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{D}} (ax_1^2 + bx_1 + c - x_2)^2.$$
(4)

- (1) [10pts] Show that E is convex.
- (2) [10pts] Does there exist a set D such that E is strongly convex? Proof or a counterexample.
- A. [20pts] Transition Probability Matrix

Suppose  $x_k$  is the fraction of NJU students who prefer course A at year k. The remaining fraction  $y_k = 1 - x_k$  prefers course B.

At year k+1,  $\frac{1}{5}$  of those who prefer course A change their mind. Also at the same year,  $\frac{1}{10}$  of those who prefer course B change their mind (possibly after taking the problem 3 last year).

Create the matrix P to give  $[x_{k+1} \quad y_{k+1}]^{\top} = P[x_k \quad y_k]^{\top}$  and find the limit of  $P^k[1 \quad 0]^{\top}$  as  $k \to \infty$ .

#### B. [20pts] Hypothesis Testing

Yesterday, a student was caught by the teacher when tossing a coin in class. The teacher is very nice and did not want to make things difficult. S(he) wished the student to determine if the coin is biased for heads with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

Also, according to the student's desk mate, the coin was tossed for 50 times and it got 35 heads.

- (1) [10pts] Show all calculate and rules (hint: using z-test).
- (2) [10pts] Calculate the p-value and interpret it.

# C. [20pts] Performance Measures

We have a set of samples that we wish to classify in one of two classes and a ground truth class of each sample (denoted as 0 and 1). For each example a classifier gives us a score (score closer to 0 means class 0, score closer to 1 means class 1). Below are the results of two classifiers ( $C_1$  and  $C_2$ ) for 8 samples, their ground truth values (y) and the score values for both classifiers ( $y_{C_1}$  and  $y_{C_2}$ ).

y	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
$y_{C_1}$	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.22	0.4	0.51	0.2	0.33
$y_{C_2}$	0.04	0.1	0.68	0.22	0.4	0.11	0.8	0.53

- (1) [8pts] For the example above calculate and draw the ROC curves for classifier  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Also calculate the area under the curve (AUC) for both classifiers.
- (2) [8pts] For the classifier  $C_1$  select a decision threshold  $th_1 = 0.33$  which means that  $C_1$  classifies a sample as class 1, if its score  $y_{C_1} > th_1$ , otherwise it classifies it as class 0. Use it to calculate the confusion matrix and the  $F_1$  score. Do the same thing for the classifier  $C_2$  using a threshold value  $th_2 = 0.1$ .

(3) [4pts] Prove Eq.(2.22) in Page 35. (AUC =  $1 - \ell_{rank}$ ).

# My solution:

(1):

注:根据学习器预测结果对样例进行排序,排在前面的是学习器认为"最可能"是正例的样本.通过 $x + \frac{1}{m^-}$ 等步骤更新点.

由AUC公式:

$$AUC = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (x_{i+1} - x_i)(y_i + y_{i+1})$$

梯形,上底加下底的和乘高除2.

- (2):
- (3):

$$l_{\text{rank}} = \frac{1}{m^{+}m^{-}} \sum_{x^{+} \in D^{+}} \sum_{x^{-} \in D^{-}} \left( \mathbb{I}\left(f\left(x^{+}\right) < f\left(x^{-}\right)\right) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I}\left(f\left(x^{+}\right) = f\left(x^{-}\right)\right) \right)$$

注意到在画ROC curve的时候x轴 $step_x = \frac{1}{m^-}$ , y轴 $step_y = \frac{1}{m^+}$ .

所以xy平面可以被划分成面积是 $step_x \times step_y$ 的小方块构成的,由ROC curve绘制过程可以发现从一维的角度,曲线上每一个平行于y轴的线段代表一个正例(即 $x^+ \in D^+$ ),同理平行于x轴的线段代表 $x^- \in D^-$ .

注意如果有多个真实分别是正例(s个)和假例(t个)的预测值一样,这样降低分类阈值的时候会多个出现,取下一个点就是:

$$\left(x + \frac{t}{m^-}, y + \frac{s}{m^+}\right)$$

所以其实ROC curve还会出现斜线,不过问题不大,因为我们可以发现这对书上AUC计算没有影响,就变成计算梯形面积了.

从二维平面的角度 $\sum_{x^+ \in D^+} \sum_{x^- \in D^-}$ 代表对xy平面的 $m^+ \times m^-$ 进行遍历.

 $f(x^{+}) < f(x^{-})$  代表通过遍历所有反样例来统计预测值大于 $x_{i}^{+}$ 的预测值的反样例个数,也即该线段左边和下边的**平行于**x**轴线段**个数,加上倾斜线段对应的反样例个数(即在x轴上投影有多少个 $step_{x}$ ).

综上所述, 可以发现

$$l_{\text{rank}} + AUC = 1$$

# D. [Bonus 10pts]Expected Prediction Error

For least squares linear regression problem, we assume our linear model as:

$$y = x^T \beta + \epsilon, \tag{5}$$

where  $\epsilon$  is noise and follows  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ . Note the instance feature of training data  $\mathcal{D}$  as  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$  and note the label as  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where n is the number of instance and p is the feature dimension. So the estimation of model parameter is:

$$\hat{\beta} = (XX^T)^{-1}XY. \tag{6}$$

For some given test instance  $x_0$ , please proof the expected prediction error **EPE** $(x_0)$  follows:

$$\mathbf{EPE}(x_0) = \sigma^2 + \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}}[x_0^T (\boldsymbol{X} \boldsymbol{X}^T)^{-1} x_0 \sigma^2]. \tag{7}$$

Please give the steps and details of your proof.(Hint:  $\mathbf{EPE}(x_0) = \mathbb{E}_{y_0|x_0}\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{D}}[(y_0 - \hat{y}_0)^2]$ , you can also refer to the proof progress of variance-bias decomposition on the page 45 of our reference book)