

## Seminar 4

①  $H_{mon}^d$  = class of monotone Boolean conjunctions over  $\{0,1\}^d$   
 $\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d = \{h: \{0,1\}^d \rightarrow \{0,1\}, h(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) = \bigwedge_{i \in J} l(x_i)\} \cup \{h^-\}$   
 $l(x_i) \in \{x_i, 1\}$   
 $\downarrow$  positive literal       $\downarrow$  missing literal  
 $h^-(x_1, \dots, x_d) = 0$  always

So  $|\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d| = 2^d + 1$

Examples:  $d=2$   $\mathcal{H}_{mon}^2 = \{0, 1, x_1, x_2, x_1 \wedge x_2\}$   
 $\downarrow$        $\downarrow$   
 $h^-$       empty

$d=3$   $\mathcal{H}_{mon}^3 = \{0, 1, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_1 \wedge x_2, x_1 \wedge x_3, x_2 \wedge x_3, x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3\}$

We need to show that  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d) = d$

We know that  $|\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d| = 2^d + 1$  so  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d) \leq \lfloor \log_2(|\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d|) \rfloor$

So  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d) \leq \lfloor \log_2(2^d + 1) \rfloor = d$

We only need to find a set  $C \subseteq \{0,1\}^d$  with  $d$  points that is shattered by  $\mathcal{H}_{mon}^d$ .

Usually, taking  $C = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_d\}$   $e_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  works, but not for this  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{mon}^d$ . You cannot have a conjunction that will have  $h(e_1) = 1, h(e_2) = 1$  and  $h(e_3) = 0, \dots, h(e_d) = 0$ .

Instead, we choose  $C = \{(0, 1, 1, \dots, 1), (1, 0, 1, \dots, 1), \dots, (1, 1, 1, \dots, 0), (1, 1, 1, \dots, 1)\}$   
 set of vectors of the form  $e_i = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$   $i=1, \dots, d$

We want to show that for each possible labeling  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d)$  of the points  $e_i = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  there exists a function  $h \in \mathcal{H}_{mon}^d$  such that

$$h(e_i) = y_i \quad \forall i=1, \dots, d$$

Consider  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_d)$  a labeling and take  $J = \{j \mid y_j = 1\}$ .

If  $J = \emptyset$  then  $h^-$  realizes the labeling  $(0, 0, \dots, 0)$

If  $J = \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$  then  $h_{\text{empty}} = 1$  (all literals are missing) realizes the labeling  $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$



If  $1 \leq |J| \leq d-1$  then consider  $h_J(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d) = \bigwedge_{j \in J} x_j$

for example if  $d=4$  and  $J = \{2, 3\}$   $h_J(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_2 \wedge x_3$

$$h_J(c_1) = h_J(0, 1, 1, 1) = 0$$

$$h_J(c_2) = h_J(1, 0, 1, 1) = 1$$

$$h_J(c_3) = h_J(1, 1, 0, 1) = 1$$

$$h_J(c_4) = h_J(1, 1, 1, 0) = 0$$

We have that  $h_J(c_i) = 1$  if  $i \in J$  and  $h_J(c_i) = 0$  if  $i \notin J$

For all indices  $i \in J$   $c_i$  will have value 0 on the position  $i$  and 1 elsewhere but variable  $x_i$  is not considered in the conjunction. So  $h_J(c_i) = 1$

For all indices  $i \notin J$   $c_i$  will have value 0 on the position  $i$  and because the conjunction contains the literal  $x_i$  then we have that  $h_J(c_i) = 0$

$$(2) X = \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}} = \{h_I \mid I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, h_I(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \left(\sum_{i \in I} x_i\right) \bmod 2\}$$

What is  $\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}})$ ?

for each subset  $I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  we have a  $h_I$  so  $|\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}}| = 2^n$

We know that  $\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}}) \leq \lfloor \log_2 2^n \rfloor = n$

So  $\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}}) \leq n$ .

Can we find a set  $C$  with  $n$  points that is shattered by  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}}$ ?

Let's try the 'usual' set  $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\}$   $c_i = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$   
set of unit vectors

We want to show that for each possible labelling  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  of  $(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$  you can find a corresponding  $h$  such that  $h(c_i) = y_i$

Consider  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  such a labelling and let  $I = \{i \mid y_i = 1\}$

$$\text{Then } h_I(c_i) = \left(\sum_{j \in I} x_j\right) \bmod 2 = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i \in I \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

So  $\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{\text{parity}}) = n$



③  $X$ -finite domain,  $|X| < \infty$

$$k \leq |X|$$

3.1.  $\mathcal{H}_{=k}^X = \{h \in \{0,1\}^X \mid |\{x \in X : h(x) = 1\}| = k\}$  = set of all functions

$$\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{=k}^X) = ?$$

that assign the value 1 to exactly  $k$  elements of  $X$ .

if  $k=0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{=0}^X = \{h^-\}$ , all points get the value 0

if  $k=1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{=1}^X$  has  $|X|$  functions =  $n$  functions

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}, n = |X|$$

$$h_i: \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \rightarrow \{0,1\} \quad h_i(x_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & j=i \\ 0, & j \neq i \end{cases}$$

if  $k=2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{=2}^X$  has  $C_n^2$  elements

if  $k=n-1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{=n-1}^X$  has  $n$  elements

if  $k=n \Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{=n}^X$  has 1 element  $h^+(x) = 1 \forall x \in X$ .

We first show that  $\text{VCdim}(\mathcal{H}_{=k}^X) \leq \min(k, n-k)$

Case 1) if  $n \geq 2k$ , in this case  $\min(k, n-k) = k$   
 $k \leq \frac{n}{2}$

$\mathcal{H}$  will consists of functions  $h$  that label exactly  $k$  elements of  $X$  with label 1. So any set  $S$  with more than  $k$  points cannot be shattered because the labelling with all 1's  $(1, 1, \dots, 1)$  cannot be realised by any  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ .

Case 2) if  $n < 2k$ , in this case  $\min(k, n-k) = n-k$   
 $k > \frac{n}{2}$

$\mathcal{H}$  will consists of functions  $h$  that labels  $k$  element of  $X$  with label 1, and  $n-k$  points of  $X$  with label 0. So any set with more than  $n-k+1$  points cannot be shattered by  $\mathcal{H}$  as the labelling with all 0's  $(0, 0, \dots, 0)$  cannot be realised by any  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ .



So we have that  $V(\mathcal{H}) \leq \min(k, n-k)$ .

We will prove that  $V(\mathcal{H}) = \min(k, n-k)$

Consider  $k' = \min(k, n-k)$ . We need to show that there exists a set of points  $A = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k'}\} \subseteq X$  that is shattered by  $\mathcal{H}$ . This means that for each subset  $B \subseteq A$  we can find  $h_B \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $h_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in B \\ 0, & x \in A \setminus B \end{cases}$

We choose a set of  $k - |B|$  points  $B' = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{k-|B|}\} \subseteq X \setminus A$ .

We can make the choice since  $k - |B| \leq |X \setminus A|$

$$k - |B| \leq n - k'$$

$$k' - |B| \leq n - k$$

$$k' - |B| \leq k' \leq n - k \quad (\text{this is true})$$

So  $B \subseteq A$  has  $|B|$  elements

$B' \subseteq X \setminus A$  has  $k - |B|$  elements

So  $|B \cup B'| = |B| + |B'|$  (as  $B \cap B' = \emptyset$ )  $\geq k$

So if we consider the characteristic function of the set  $B \cup B'$  we

have  $\chi_{B \cup B'}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in B \cup B' \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

What is most important  $\chi_{B \cup B'}$  takes value 1 for exactly  $k$  points, so is a member of  $\mathcal{H}$ .

So in this case we take  $h_B = \chi_{B \cup B'}$

$h_B$  will have the desired property that  $h_B(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in B \\ 0, & x \in A \setminus B \end{cases}$

So any set  $A$  of  $k' \geq \min(k, n-k)$  can be shattered by  $\mathcal{H}$ .  
So  $V(\mathcal{H}) = k' = \min(k, n-k)$



$$3.2 \quad \mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k} = \{h \in \{0,1\}^X : |\{x \in X : h(x)=1\}| \leq k \text{ or } |\{x \in X : h(x)=0\}| \leq k\}$$

if  $k=0$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}0} = \{h^-, h^+\}$

$$|\{x : h^-(x)=1\}| \leq 0 \quad |\{x : h^+(x)=0\}| \leq 0$$

if  $k=1$ ,  $\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}1} = \{h^-, h^+\} \cup \{ \text{functions } h \text{ which labels just one point with label 1} \} \cup \{ \text{functions } h \text{ which label just 1 point with label 0} \}$

Case 1: if  $n = |X| \leq 2k+2$  then we have that

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k} = \{0,1\}^X = \{h : X \rightarrow \{0,1\}\}$$

This is true because any function  $h : X \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  will have either at most  $k$  points label not 0 or at most point label with 1

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $h \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}$   $h \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}$

Example: Take  $n=7$ ,  $k=2$ ,  $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7\}$

	$x$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$
at most 4 1's 4 0's	$h(x_4)$	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
at most 4 1's	$h(x_1)$	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
at most 4 1's	$h(x_2)$	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

In this case  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}) = VCdim(\{0,1\}^X) = n = |X|$

Case 2 if  $n = |X| \geq 2k+2$

We first show that  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}) = VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{\geq 2k+1})$

Consider any set  $A$  of  $2k+1$  points in  $X$ ,  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2k+1}\}$

We will show that  $A$  is shattered by  $\mathcal{H}$ . It's enough to show that for each possible labeling  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{2k+1})$  of the points  $(a_1, \dots, a_{2k+1})$  we can find an  $h \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $h(a_i) = y_i$ .



~~if  $|J| \leq k$  we know that  $\mathbb{1}_{B_J} \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}$  so we take~~

Take  $J = \{j \mid y_j = 1\}$ , and take  $B_J = \{a_j \in A \mid y_j = 1\}$ . <sup>has</sup>  
 $J \in \mathcal{J}$

if  $|J| \leq k$  we know that  $\mathbb{1}_{B_J} \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}$  so we take

$$h = \mathbb{1}_{B_J} \quad h(a_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & y_j = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

if  $|J| > k$ , take  $C_J = \{a_j \in A \mid y_j = 0\}$ . <sup>has at most  $k$  elements</sup>  
 $J \in \mathcal{J}$

So we take in this case

$$h = \mathbb{1}_{A \setminus C_J} \quad h(a_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & y_j = 1 \\ 0, & y_j = 0 \end{cases}$$

So, we have that  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}) \geq 2k+1$

We show now that  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}) \leq 2k+2$

Consider any set  $A$  of  $2k+2$  points  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2k+2}\}$ .  
 There is no  $h \in \mathcal{H}$  that will label the first  $k+1$  points with 1 and the last  $k+1$  points with 0.

So, in conclusion  $VCdim(\mathcal{H}_{\text{at-most-}k}) \geq \min(|X|, 2k+2)$