

# Machine Learning: Homework #2

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## Problem 1

Calculate the gradient of the following multivariate functions:

$$(1) \ u = xy + y^2 + 5$$

The gradient is:

$$\nabla u = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = y \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = x + 2y \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore \nabla u = (y, x + 2y) \quad (4)$$

$$(2) \ u = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \text{ at } (1, 2, -2)$$

First, simplify the function:

$$u = \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = \ln(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + y^2 + z^2) \quad (5)$$

Calculate the partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \cdot 2x = \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \cdot 2y = \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \cdot 2z = \frac{z}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad (8)$$

At point  $(1, 2, -2)$ :

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2 = 1 + 4 + 4 = 9 \quad (9)$$

Therefore, the gradient at  $(1, 2, -2)$  is:

$$\nabla u \Big|_{(1,2,-2)} = \left( \frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{-2}{9} \right) = \frac{1}{9}(1, 2, -2) \quad (10)$$

## Problem 2

### Building a Decision Tree for Sleep-in Prediction

Given the 12-day dataset, we'll build a decision tree using information gain.

#### Step 1: Calculate initial entropy

Total samples: 12 (9 yes, 3 no)

$$H(Sleep) = -\frac{9}{12} \log_2 \frac{9}{12} - \frac{3}{12} \log_2 \frac{3}{12} = 0.811 \quad (11)$$

#### Step 2: Calculate information gain for each attribute

For Season:

- Spring (2): 1 yes, 1 no  $\rightarrow H = 1.0$
- Summer (3): 1 yes, 2 no  $\rightarrow H = 0.918$
- Autumn (2): 2 yes, 0 no  $\rightarrow H = 0$

- Winter (5): 5 yes, 0 no  $\rightarrow H = 0$

$$H(Sleep|Season) = \frac{2}{12}(1.0) + \frac{3}{12}(0.918) + \frac{2}{12}(0) + \frac{5}{12}(0) = 0.396 \quad (12)$$

$$IG(Season) = 0.811 - 0.396 = 0.415 \quad (13)$$

For After 8:00:

- Yes (5): 3 yes, 2 no  $\rightarrow H = 0.971$

- No (7): 6 yes, 1 no  $\rightarrow H = 0.592$

$$H(Sleep|After8) = \frac{5}{12}(0.971) + \frac{7}{12}(0.592) = 0.764 \quad (14)$$

$$IG(After8) = 0.811 - 0.764 = 0.047 \quad (15)$$

For Wind:

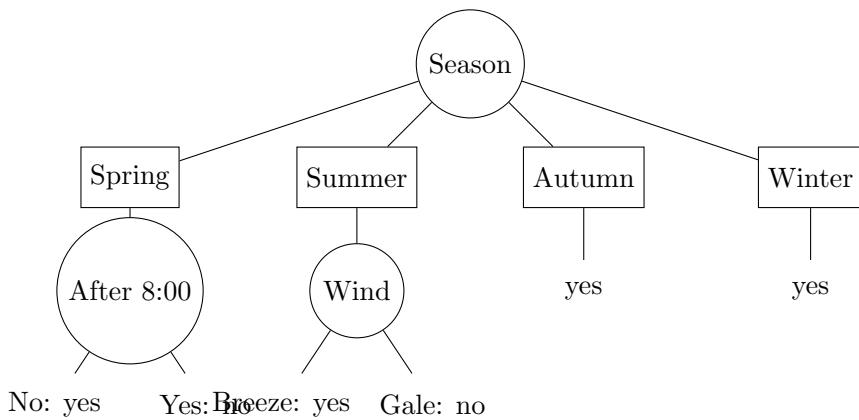
- Breeze (5): 5 yes, 0 no  $\rightarrow H = 0$
- No wind (4): 3 yes, 1 no  $\rightarrow H = 0.811$
- Gale (3): 1 yes, 2 no  $\rightarrow H = 0.918$

$$H(Sleep|Wind) = \frac{5}{12}(0) + \frac{4}{12}(0.811) + \frac{3}{12}(0.918) = 0.500 \quad (16)$$

$$IG(Wind) = 0.811 - 0.500 = 0.311 \quad (17)$$

### Step 3: Build the decision tree

Since  $IG(Season) = 0.415$  is highest, we choose Season as root node.



**Note:** For Autumn and Winter branches, all instances have Sleep in = yes, so no further splitting is needed. For Spring and Summer, we need to split further based on the instances in each branch.

## Problem 3

Given the data where  $\mathbf{x}$  is a 2D vector with  $x^{(1)} \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $x^{(2)} \in \{S, M, L\}$ , and  $y \in \{-1, 1\}$ . For new data  $\mathbf{x} = (2, S)$ , we apply Naive Bayes classification.

**Step 1: Calculate prior probabilities**

$$P(y = 1) = \frac{10}{15} = \frac{2}{3} \quad (18)$$

$$P(y = -1) = \frac{5}{15} = \frac{1}{3} \quad (19)$$

**Step 2: Calculate likelihoods**

For  $y = 1$  (10 instances):

$$P(x^{(1)} = 2 | y = 1) = \frac{4}{10} \quad (20)$$

$$P(x^{(2)} = S | y = 1) = \frac{1}{10} \quad (21)$$

For  $y = -1$  (5 instances):

$$P(x^{(1)} = 2 | y = -1) = \frac{1}{5} \quad (22)$$

$$P(x^{(2)} = S | y = -1) = \frac{3}{5} \quad (23)$$

**Step 3: Apply Naive Bayes**

For  $\mathbf{x} = (2, S)$ :

$$P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}) \propto P(y = 1) \cdot P(x^{(1)} = 2 | y = 1) \cdot P(x^{(2)} = S | y = 1) \quad (24)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{1}{10} = \frac{8}{300} = 0.0267 \quad (25)$$

$$P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x}) \propto P(y = -1) \cdot P(x^{(1)} = 2 | y = -1) \cdot P(x^{(2)} = S | y = -1) \quad (26)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{5} = \frac{3}{75} = 0.04 \quad (27)$$

Since  $P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x}) = 0.04 > P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}) = 0.0267$ , the predicted value is  $\boxed{y = -1}$ .