Diverse density at a point in the feature space is defined as a probabilistic measure of the density of both positive instances and negative ones $^{[1,2]}$. The DD attempts to find the optimal value(also known as target concept), h, with the maximum diverse diversity and the maximum likelihood estimator of h, h_{DD} , is defined as:

$$h_{DD} = \arg\max_{h} \prod_{i} \Pr(B_i \mid h) = \arg\min_{h} \sum_{i} -\log\Pr(B_i \mid h)$$
 (6)

$$\Pr(B_i \mid h) = \exp(-d) \tag{7}$$

$$d = s^2 (B_{ij} - h)^2$$
(8)

where B_i^+ , B_i^- , B_{ij} and s, respectively denote positive bags, negative bags, instances and the parameter representing the importance of the feature.

In 2001, Expectation-Maximization (EM) approach was combined with DD by zhang et al to simplify the search step and decrease the computation complexity. First, k (k is assumed to be 10)instances, h_k , as initial values of h are selected randomly from positive bags. Second(E-Step), a set of instances, B_{ij} , are found to represent their bags by maximizing $Pr(B_i|h_k)$. Third(M-step), according to formula(6), possible target concept, h_{DDk} , can be determined by using gradient descent. Fourth, h_{DDk} , is used as a new initial value and then the last two steps are performed repeatedly until $Pr(B_i|h)$ is maximized. Finally, the labels of the bags, B_i , in the testing set are estimated using formula(9).

$$\Pr(B_{i}'|h) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{1}^{k} \Pr(B_{i}'|h_{DDk})$$
 (9)

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