

a)

① When  $t=1$ , we initialize  $p^t = [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, \dots]$  and  $\tilde{p}^t = [\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}, -]$   
so  $p^0 = \tilde{p}^0$

② Hypothesis: Assume that for some  $k \geq 1$ ,  $p^k = \tilde{p}^k$

③ We need to prove that  $p^{k+1} = \tilde{p}^{k+1}$

since we have  $\tilde{y}_i = \frac{y_i + 1}{2}$ ,  $\tilde{h}(x_i) = \frac{h(x_i) + 1}{2}$

then:  $\tilde{y}_i = \tilde{h}(x_i) \Leftrightarrow \frac{y_i + 1}{2} = \frac{h(x_i) + 1}{2} \Leftrightarrow y_i = h(x_i)$

Also:  $p^k = \tilde{p}^k$  by our assumption, so:

$$\epsilon_k = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^k [h_k(x_i) \neq y_i] = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{p}_i^k [\tilde{h}_k(x_i) \neq \tilde{y}_i] = \tilde{\epsilon}_k$$

$$\beta_k = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \epsilon_k}{\epsilon_k} \quad \tilde{\beta}_k = \frac{\epsilon_k}{1 - \epsilon_k}$$

$$e^{\beta_k} = e^{\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \epsilon_k}{\epsilon_k}} = \left( \frac{1 - \epsilon_k}{\epsilon_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \tilde{\beta}_k^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_i^{k+1} &= \frac{w_i^{k+1}}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j^{k+1}} = \frac{w_i^k e^{-y_i \beta_k h_k(x_i)}}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j^k e^{-y_j \beta_k h_k(x_j)}} = \frac{w_i^k (\tilde{\beta}_k^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{-y_i h_k(x_i)}}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j^k (\tilde{\beta}_k^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{-y_j h_k(x_j)}} \\ &= \frac{w_i^k (\tilde{\beta}_k)^{\frac{1}{2} y_i h_k(x_i)}}{\sum_{j=1, h_k(x_j)=y_j}^n w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} + \sum_{j=1, h_k(x_j) \neq y_j}^n w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \quad \left( \begin{cases} y_i \cdot h_k(x_i) = 1 & y_i = h_k(x_i) \\ y_i \cdot h_k(x_i) = -1 & y_i \neq h_k(x_i) \end{cases} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{w_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} w_j^k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1}} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) = y_i \\ \frac{w_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases}$$

when  $y_i = h_k(x_i)$ , either  $\begin{cases} y_i = 1 \\ h_k(x_i) = 1 \end{cases}$  or  $\begin{cases} y_i = -1 \\ h_k(x_i) = -1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow h_k(x_i) y_i = 1$

when  $y_i \neq h_k(x_i)$ , either  $\begin{cases} y_i = -1 \\ h_k(x_i) = 1 \end{cases}$  or  $\begin{cases} y_i = 1 \\ h_k(x_i) = -1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow h_k(x_i) y_i = -1$

when  $\tilde{y}_i = \tilde{h}_k(x_i)$ , either  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 1 \\ h_k(x_i) = 1 \end{cases}$  or  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 0 \\ h_k(x_i) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow |\tilde{h}_k(x_i) - \tilde{y}_i| = 0$

When  $\tilde{y}_i = \tilde{h}_k(x_i)$ , either  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 1 \\ h_k(x_i) = 1 \end{cases}$  or  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 0 \\ h_k(x_i) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow |\tilde{h}_k(x_i) - \tilde{y}_i| = 0$

When  $\tilde{y}_i \neq \tilde{h}_k(x_i)$ , either  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 0 \\ h_k(x_i) = 1 \end{cases}$  or  $\begin{cases} \tilde{y}_i = 1 \\ h_k(x_i) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow |\tilde{h}_k(x_i) - \tilde{y}_i| = 1$

$$\tilde{p}_i^{k+1} = \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1} |\tilde{h}_k(x_i) - \tilde{y}_i|}{\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1} |\tilde{h}_k(x_j) - \tilde{y}_j|} = \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1} |\tilde{h}_k(x_i) - \tilde{y}_i|}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^0}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1}} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) = y_i \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases}$$

From our hypothesis:  $p_i^t = \tilde{p}_i^t$ , we have  $\frac{w_i^t}{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j^t} = \frac{\tilde{w}_i^t}{\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{w}_j^t} \quad \forall i$

so:  $\frac{w_i^t}{\tilde{w}_i^t} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j^t}{\sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{w}_j^t}$ , a constant.

Let's use  $m$  to denote  $\frac{w_i^t}{\tilde{w}_i^t} \Rightarrow w_i^t = m \tilde{w}_i^t$

Therefore:

$$p_i^{k+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{w_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} w_j^k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1}} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) = y_i \\ \frac{w_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} w_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{m \tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} m \tilde{w}_j^k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} m \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k^{-1}} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) = y_i \\ \frac{m \tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} m \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} m \tilde{w}_j^k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{nk}(y_j) - \text{nk}(x_j) + y_j \\
 & = \begin{cases} \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) = y_i \\ \frac{\tilde{w}_i^k}{\sum_{h_k(x_j)=y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k \tilde{\beta}_k + \sum_{h_k(x_j) \neq y_j} \tilde{w}_j^k} & \text{when } h_k(x_i) \neq y_i \end{cases} \\
 & = \tilde{p}_i^{k+1} \quad \text{Therefore: } p_i^k = \tilde{p}_i^k \Rightarrow p_i^{k+1} = \tilde{p}_i^{k+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

③ Conclusion. By the induction above, we have proved that  $p_i^t = \tilde{p}_i^t \quad \forall i, t \quad i=1 \dots n, t=1 \dots T$ .

As long as  $p_i^t$  are equal,  $\epsilon_t$  will be equal and  $\beta_t$  will also be equal. (because  $h(x) \neq y \Leftrightarrow \tilde{h}(x_i) = \tilde{y}_i$ )

Therefore, the new updates is the same as the original one.

$$b) E_{y|x} [e^{-yH} | X=x]$$

$$= p(y=1|x=x) \cdot e^{-H} + p(y=-1|x=x) e^H = f$$

$$\frac{df}{dH} = -p(y=1|x=x) e^{-H} + p(y=-1|x=x) e^H$$

$$\frac{d^2f}{dH^2} = p(y=1|x=x) e^{-H} + p(y=-1|x=x) e^H \geq 0 \quad \text{since } p \geq 0, e^x > 0$$

So  $f$  is convex, we can get its minimum at  $x$  where  $\frac{df}{dH}(x) = 0$

$$-p(y=1|x=x) e^{-H} + p(y=-1|x=x) e^H = 0$$

$$p(y=-1|x=x) e^H = p(y=1|x=x) e^{-H}$$

$$e^{2H} = \frac{p(y=1|x=x)}{p(y=-1|x=x)}$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{p(y=1|x=x)}{p(y=-1|x=x)}$$

Therefore, the minimizer  $H$  is proportional to the log odds ratio.

c) :

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{E}_t &= E(\bar{h}_t) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [\bar{h}_t(x_i) \neq y_i] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) = y_i] && \text{since } h_t(x_i) \in \{0, 1\} \\ &&& - h_t(x_i) = \bar{h}_t(x_i) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i] && \text{since } \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t = 1 \\ &= 1 - E_t\end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{\beta}_t = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \bar{E}_t}{\bar{E}_t} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - (1 - E_t)}{1 - E_t} = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{E_t}{1 - E_t} = -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - E_t}{E_t} = -\beta_t$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{W}_i^{t+1} &= \bar{W}_i^t e^{-y_i \bar{\beta}_t \bar{h}_t(x_i)} \\ &= \bar{W}_i^t e^{-y_i (-\beta_t) \cdot (-h_t(x_i))} = \bar{W}_i^t e^{-y_i \beta_t h_t(x_i)}\end{aligned}$$

We do get the same update in (4) if we are using the original  $\beta_t$  and  $h_t$ .

In other words, we will use the same formula after set  $h_t$  to  $\bar{h}_t$  to update  $W$ , no matter whether we use  $h_t(x)$  and  $\beta_t$  or  $\bar{h}_t(x)$  and  $\bar{\beta}_t$ .

d)

Set  $g = \hat{E}_t e^{-y \beta h_t(x)}$ ,  $(x, y) \sim p^t$ .

$$\begin{aligned}g &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t \cdot e^{-y \beta h_t(x_i)} \\ &= \sum_{h_t(x_i)=y_i} p_i^t e^{-\beta} + \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t e^{\beta}\end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $p_i^t$  is a constant as  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{t-1}$  should be determined by now.

$$\frac{dg}{d\beta} = - \sum_{h_t(x_i)=y_i} p_i^t e^{-\beta} + \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t e^{\beta}$$

$$\frac{dg}{d\beta} = \sum_{h_t(x_i)=y_i} p_i^t e^{-\beta} + \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t e^{\beta} > 0 \quad \text{since } p_i^t \geq 0, e^x > 0$$

so  $g$  is convex, the optimal  $\beta$  is when  $\frac{dg}{d\beta} = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t e^{\beta} = \sum_{h_t(x_i)=y_i} p_i^t e^{-\beta}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i e = \sum_{h_t(x_i) = y_i} p_i e$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^\beta \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t = e^{-\beta} \sum_{h_t(x_i) = y_i} p_i^t$$

$$\Leftrightarrow e^{2\beta} = \frac{\sum_{h_t(x_i) = y_i} p_i^t}{\sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^t} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) = y_i]}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i]}$$

$$\text{since } \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t = 1 \quad = \frac{1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i]}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i]} = \frac{1 - \epsilon_t}{\epsilon_t}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 - \epsilon_t}{\epsilon_t}.$$

e)

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{t+1} &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^{t+1} [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i] = \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} p_i^{t+1} \\ &= \sum_{h_t(x_i) \neq y_i} \frac{w_i^t}{\sum_{h_t(x_j) = y_j} w_j^t \tilde{\epsilon}_t + \sum_{h_t(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^t} \quad \text{from a)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sum_{h_t(x_j) = y_j} w_j^t \frac{\epsilon_t}{1 - \epsilon_t} + \sum_{h_t(x_j) \neq y_j} w_j^t} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i]$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i^t [h_t(x_i) \neq y_i]}{\frac{\epsilon_t}{1 - \epsilon_t} \sum_{j=1}^n w_j^t [h_t(x_j) = y_j] + \sum_{j=1}^n w_j^t [h_t(x_j) \neq y_j]}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon_t}{\frac{\epsilon_t}{1 - \epsilon_t} \cdot (1 - \epsilon_t) + \epsilon_t} = \frac{\epsilon_t}{2 \epsilon_t} = \frac{1}{2}.$$