k-Nearest Neigbors

1 k-NN classifier

- 1. Load the training set and choose a positive integer k.
- 2. Recieve an example to classify.
- 3. Pick k vectors from the training set with the shortest (euclidean) distance from the new example.
- 4. Classify the new example according as the class which occurs most frequently among the nearest neighbors picked in 3.

Questions

Question 1.

Classify the following examples as A or B using the k-NN method with k = 3. Training set: A(1, 3), A(2, 1), A(2, 3), B(4, 3), B(6, 3).

Examples to classify:

• (1,5)

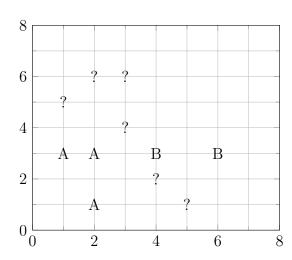
• (2,6)

• (3,4)

• (3,6)

• (4, 2)

• (5,1)



Question 2.

Similarly to Question 1, classify the following examples based on the training set (k = 3):

Training set: A(5, 4, 1), A(4, 3, 0), B(1, 2, 3), B(2, 0, 4), C(6, 1, 1), C(5, 0, 1).

Examples to classify: (4, 4, 0), (1, 1, 5), (6, 0, 0).

Mini-project: k-NN

The goal is to implement the k-NN classifier. The program should take 3 arguments:

k: positive natural number being the k-NN hiperparameter.

train-set: name of the file containing csv train set.

test-set: name of the file containing csv test set.

Requirements:

- The program should apply k-NN classifier based on the train set to each vector from the test set and produce the accuracy (proportion of correctly classified examples from the test set).
- The program should additionally provide a simple interface (not necessarily graphical) to enable the user to input single vectors to be classified.
- Test the program using training data in iris.data and test data in iris.test.data.
- Important: the program should be able to load any dataset (in a format similar to iris.data), with an arbitrary number of dimensions/classes.
- Optional extension: prepare a graph (excel, python, etc.) showing the accuracy vs the value of k.
- Optional extension: also classify examples in the WDBC dataset provided in the files wdbc.data and wdbc.test.data [Source].