

Question 1 (10 points):

Consider a learned hypothesis, h , for some Boolean concept. When h is tested on a set of 100 examples, it classifies 83 correctly. What is the standard deviation and the 95% confidence interval for the true error rate for $\text{Error}_D(h)$?

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \text{ Standard deviation } S &= \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{np(1-p)} \\ &= \sqrt{100 \times \left(\frac{100-83}{100}\right) \times \left(\frac{83}{100}\right)} \\ &= \sqrt{14.11} \approx 3.76 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Standard deviation estimate for } \text{Error}_D(h) = \frac{3.76}{100} = 0.0376 = 3.76\%$$

\textcircled{2} 95% confidence interval for ~~Error~~ $\text{Error}_D(h)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{error}_D(h) \pm z_{0.95} \sqrt{\frac{\text{error}_D(h)(1-\text{error}_D(h))}{n}} \\ &\quad (\text{z-score for 95% confidence level is } 1.96) \\ &= 0.17 \pm 1.96 \times \sqrt{\frac{0.17 \times (1-0.17)}{100}} = 0.0964 \approx 0.2436 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (10 points):

Consider again the example application of Bayes rule in Section 6.2.1 of Tom Mitchell's textbook (or slide page 6 of Lecture 7). Suppose the doctor decides to order a second laboratory test for the same patient, and suppose the second test returns a positive result as well. What are the posterior probabilities of cancer and \neg cancer following these two tests? Assume that the two tests are independent.

We can know if both two test are positive, the posterior probability of cancer and \neg cancer are $P(\text{cancer} | +, +)$, $P(\neg \text{cancer} | +, +)$

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{cancer} | +, +) = \frac{P(+, + | \text{cancer})P(\text{cancer})}{P(+, +)} = \frac{P(+ | \text{cancer})P(+ | \text{cancer})P(\text{cancer})}{P(+, +)}$$

$$\text{assume independent} \Rightarrow P(+, + | \text{cancer}) = P(+ | \text{cancer})P(+ | \text{cancer})$$

$$\text{so } P(\neg \text{cancer} | +, +) = \frac{P(+, + | \neg \text{cancer})P(\neg \text{cancer})}{P(+, +)} = \frac{P(+ | \neg \text{cancer})P(+ | \neg \text{cancer})}{P(+, +)}$$

$$\therefore P(+ | \text{cancer})P(+ | \text{cancer})P(\text{cancer}) = 0.98 \times 0.98 \times 0.008 = 0.0076832$$

$$P(+ | \neg \text{cancer})P(+ | \neg \text{cancer})P(\neg \text{cancer}) = 0.02 \times 0.02 \times 0.992 = 0.0008928$$

$$\text{so: } P(\text{cancer} | +, +) = \frac{0.0076832}{0.008526} = 0.895896 \quad P(\neg \text{cancer} | +, +) = 0.104104$$