

# PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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# The supervised classification learning problem

## Three components

- 1 An **instance space**  $\Omega_{\mathbf{x}}$ 
  - Random vectors  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are drawn independently according to some fixed but unknown probability distribution,  $p(\mathbf{x})$
  - The  $i$ -th component of  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $x_i$ , has been drawn from the subspace  $\Omega_{x_i}$  and contains the value of the  $i$ -th predictor variable,  $X_i$ , for one specific instance
  - $\Omega_{\mathbf{x}} = \Omega_{x_1} \times \dots \times \Omega_{x_n}$
- 2 A **label space**,  $\Omega_C$ , containing for each vector  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  the value,  $c$ , of its label. The labels are obtained from a random variable,  $C$ 
  - The conditional distribution of labels for a given vector of the instance space,  $p(c|\mathbf{x})$ , and
  - The joint distribution,  $p(\mathbf{x}, c)$ , of cases (instances + labels) are also unknown
- 3 A **learning algorithm** that implements a set of functions over the instance space, whose outputs are in the label space. The application of the learning algorithm to a data set of labelled instances,  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$ , will provide a supervised classification model

# The supervised classification learning problem

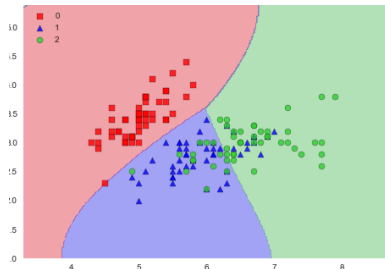
The data set  $\mathcal{D}$  as a table

	$X_1$	...	$X_n$	$C$
$(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, c^{(1)})$	$x_1^{(1)}$	...	$x_n^{(1)}$	$c^{(1)}$
$(\mathbf{x}^{(2)}, c^{(2)})$	$x_1^{(2)}$	...	$x_n^{(2)}$	$c^{(2)}$
...	...	...	...	...
$(\mathbf{x}^{(N)}, c^{(N)})$	$x_1^{(N)}$	...	$x_n^{(N)}$	$c^{(N)}$
$\mathbf{x}^{(N+1)}$	$x_1^{(N+1)}$	...	$x_n^{(N+1)}$	???

# The supervised classification learning problem

## Decision regions and decision boundaries

- The supervised classification model partitions the instance space into **decision regions**, one per class label.  $\mathbf{x}$  is in the decision region associated with  $c$  if  $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = c$ .
- These regions are separated by **decision boundaries**, surfaces in the instance space corresponding to pairs of class labels reaching the same  $\phi$  value
- The **more flexible the decision boundaries**, the **better performance** the classifier will have



# Loss and risk functions

## Loss and risk functions

- The **loss function**,  $L(c, \phi(\mathbf{x}))$ , is a quantitative measure of the loss when the label  $c$  of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is different from the label assigned by the classifier,  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Omega_C \times \Omega_C & \xrightarrow{L} & \mathbb{R}^+ \\ (c, \phi(\mathbf{x})) & \rightarrow & L(c, \phi(\mathbf{x})) \end{array}$$

The **zero-one loss function** is  $L(c, \phi(\mathbf{x})) = 1$  when  $c \neq \phi(\mathbf{x})$  and 0 otherwise

- The **expected risk** of the classifier  $\phi$ ,  $R(\phi) = \int L(c, \phi(\mathbf{x})) dp(\mathbf{x}, c)$  computes the expectation of the loss (risk) function over the unknown distribution,  $p(\mathbf{x}, c)$   
For the zero-one loss function, the expected risk associated with a classifier  $\phi$  is calculated as  $R_{0-1}(\phi) = p(C \neq \phi(\mathbf{X}))$  with cases drawn according to  $p(\mathbf{x}, c)$
- The expected risk should be estimated using the information in  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$ , by the **empirical risk function**,  $R_{\mathcal{D}}(\phi)$ , according to

$$R_{\mathcal{D}}(\phi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L(c^i, \phi(\mathbf{x}^i))$$

# Loss and risk functions

	$X_1$	...	$X_n$	$C$	$\phi(\mathbf{x})$
$(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1)$	7.2	...	10.4	P	I
$(\mathbf{x}^2, c^2)$	7.1	...	11.7	P	P
$(\mathbf{x}^3, c^3)$	6.4	...	13.2	P	P
$(\mathbf{x}^4, c^4)$	6.7	...	10.1	P	P
$(\mathbf{x}^5, c^5)$	8.9	...	8.4	I	P
$(\mathbf{x}^6, c^6)$	9.2	...	7.9	I	I
$(\mathbf{x}^7, c^7)$	10.7	...	5.9	I	I
$(\mathbf{x}^8, c^8)$	8.1	...	8.8	I	I
$(\mathbf{x}^9, c^9)$	9.9	...	7.2	I	I
$(\mathbf{x}^{10}, c^{10})$	11.5	...	6.9	I	I

- The output of the classifier is incorrect for Cases 1 and 5
- If each class is equally important, the loss associated with both types of mistakes is the same, and we have  $L(c^i, \phi(\mathbf{x}^i)) = 1$  for  $i \in \{1, 5\}$  and  $L(c^j, \phi(\mathbf{x}^j)) = 0$  for  $j \in \{2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$
- The empirical risk for this zero-one loss function would then be  $R_{\mathcal{D}}(\phi) = 1/10 \times 2 = 0.20$ . This empirical risk represents an estimation of the probability of the classifier being wrong



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# Binary classification

Two possible values for the class variable,  $C$ , represented, for example, as **positive**,  $+$ , and **negative**,  $-$ .  $|\Omega_C| = 2 = |\Omega_{\phi(\mathbf{x})}| = 2$

## Confusion matrix

$$C \begin{matrix} & \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ & + & - \\ \begin{matrix} + \\ - \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} TP & FN \\ FP & TN \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

- TP: true positives
- FP: false positives
- FN: false negatives
- TN: true negatives

# Binary classification

## Performance measures

Name	Formula
Accuracy	$\frac{TP+TN}{TP+FN+FP+TN}$
Sensitivity or Recall	$\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$
Specificity	$\frac{TN}{FP+TN}$
Positive predictive value or Precision	$\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$
Negative predictive value	$\frac{TN}{TN+FN}$
$F_1$ -measure	$\frac{2\text{Prec}(\phi)\text{Rec}(\phi)}{\text{Prec}(\phi)+\text{Rec}(\phi)}$
Cohen's kappa statistic	$\frac{(\frac{TP}{N} + \frac{TN}{N}) - [(\frac{FN+TP}{N})(\frac{FP+TP}{N}) + (\frac{FP+TN}{N})(\frac{FN+TN}{N})]}{1 - [(\frac{FN+TP}{N})(\frac{FP+TP}{N}) + (\frac{FP+TN}{N})(\frac{FN+TN}{N})]}$

- The  $F_1$  measure (van Rijsbergen, 1979) is the harmonic mean of the precision and recall measures
- Cohen's kappa statistic (Cohen, 1960) corrects the accuracy measure considering the result of a mere chance match between the classifier,  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ , and the label generation process,  $C$
- All measure values fall within the interval  $[0, 1]$ , where values close to 1 are preferred

# Binary classification

## Performance measures. An example

$$C = \begin{matrix} & \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ & + & - \\ \begin{matrix} + \\ - \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 120 & 8 \\ 60 & 139 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

The values for the seven performance measures are:

- 1  $\text{Acc}(\phi) = 0.79$
- 2  $\text{Sensitivity}(\phi) = \text{Rec}(\phi) = 0.94$
- 3  $\text{Specificity}(\phi) = 0.74$
- 4  $\text{PPV}(\phi) = \text{Prec}(\phi) = 0.67$
- 5  $\text{NPV}(\phi) = 0.95$
- 6  $F_1(\phi) = 0.78$
- 7  $\kappa(\phi) = 0.59$

# Binary classification

## Cost matrix

$$C_{-}^{+} \begin{matrix} & \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ & + & - \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & L(+, -) \\ L(-, +) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}.$$

- Total cost error:  $\text{TCE}(\phi) = \text{FN} \cdot L(+, -) + \text{FP} \cdot L(-, +)$
- Total cost error in terms of the empirical risk as  $\text{TCE}(\phi) = N \cdot R_{\mathcal{D}}(\phi)$
- The total cost error verifies  $0 \leq \text{TCE}(\phi) \leq N \cdot \max\{L(+, -), L(-, +)\}$
- If the domain expert is not able to provide this information, costs are assumed to be symmetric:  $L(+, -) = L(-, +)$

# Binary classification

- The **Brier score** (Brier, 1950) measures the accuracy of probabilistic classifications over cases
- **Measure of the calibration** of a set of probabilistic predictions or as a **quadratic cost function**

## Brier score

$$\text{Brier}(\phi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N d^2(p_{\phi}(\mathbf{c}|\mathbf{x}^i), \mathbf{c}^i)$$

- $N$  denotes the number of cases in  $\mathcal{D}$
- $p_{\phi}(\mathbf{c}|\mathbf{x}^i)$  is the vector  $(p_{\phi}(+|\mathbf{x}^i), p_{\phi}(-|\mathbf{x}^i))$  containing the output of the probabilistic classifier
- $\mathbf{c}^i = (1, 0)$  or  $\mathbf{c}^i = (0, 1)$  when the label of the  $i$ -th instance is + or -, respectively
- The difference between the predicted probability assigned to the possible outcomes for each instance and its actual label is measured with the **squared Euclidean distance**,  $d^2(p_{\phi}(\mathbf{c}|\mathbf{x}^i), \mathbf{c}^i)$
- The Brier score for a binary classification problem verifies  $0 \leq \text{Brier}(\phi) \leq 2$

## Binary classification

## Brier score

	$X_1$	...	$X_n$	$C$	$p_\phi(\mathbf{c} \mathbf{x})$
$(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1)$	7.2	...	10.4	P	(0.20, 0.80)
$(\mathbf{x}^2, c^2)$	7.1	...	11.7	P	(0.65, 0.35)
$(\mathbf{x}^3, c^3)$	6.4	...	13.2	P	(0.70, 0.30)
$(\mathbf{x}^4, c^4)$	6.7	...	10.1	P	(0.87, 0.13)
$(\mathbf{x}^5, c^5)$	8.9	...	8.4	I	(0.55, 0.45)
$(\mathbf{x}^6, c^6)$	9.2	...	7.9	I	(0.25, 0.75)
$(\mathbf{x}^7, c^7)$	10.7	...	5.9	I	(0.12, 0.88)
$(\mathbf{x}^8, c^8)$	8.1	...	8.8	I	(0.07, 0.93)
$(\mathbf{x}^9, c^9)$	9.9	...	7.2	I	(0.37, 0.63)
$(\mathbf{x}^{10}, c^{10})$	11.5	...	6.9	I	(0.18, 0.82)

$$\text{Brier}(\phi) = \frac{1}{10} \left[ (0.20 - 1)^2 + (0.80 - 0)^2 + \dots + (0.18 - 0)^2 + (0.82 - 1)^2 \right] = 0.2971$$

# Multi-class classification

## Confusion matrix

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{array}{c} c_1 \\ \dots \\ c_j \\ \dots \\ c_R \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c} \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ \begin{array}{ccccc} c_1 & \dots & c_j & \dots & c_R \\ \left( \begin{array}{ccccc} N_{11} & \dots & N_{1j} & \dots & N_{1R} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ N_{j1} & \dots & N_{jj} & \dots & N_{jR} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ N_{R1} & \dots & N_{Rj} & \dots & N_{RR} \end{array} \right) \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

## Measures from the confusion matrix

Name	Notation	Formula
Accuracy	$\text{Acc}(\phi)$	$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^R N_{ii}}{N}$
PPV or Prec for class $c_j$	$\text{PPV}_j(\phi) = \text{Prec}_j(\phi)$	$\frac{N_{jj}}{\sum_{i=1}^R N_{ij}}$
Total cost error	$\text{TCE}(\phi)$	$\sum_{i=1}^R \sum_{j>i}^R N_{ij} \cdot L(c_i, c_j)$
Brier score	$\text{Brier}(\phi)$	$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N d^2(p_\phi(\mathbf{c} \mathbf{x}^i), \mathbf{c}^i)$

$$N = \sum_{i=1}^R \sum_{j=1}^R N_{ij}$$



# Binary classification

- A receiver operating characteristic (ROC), or simply **ROC curve** (Lusted, 1960), is a graphical plot that **illustrates the performance of a binary classifier** system as its discrimination threshold is varied
- The **discrimination threshold** is a cutoff value for the posterior probability  $p_\phi(c|\mathbf{x})$  for which the predicted label is +
- A given discrimination threshold returns **a point of the plot**
- The ROC curve is created by plotting (on the Y-axis) the true positive rate ( $\text{TPR} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}}$ ), **versus** (on the X-axis) the false positive rate ( $\text{FPR} = \frac{\text{FP}}{\text{FP} + \text{TN}}$ ), **at various threshold settings**.  $\text{TP} + \text{FN} = N_+$  number of real positive.  $\text{FP} + \text{TN} = N_-$  number of real negative
- The ROC curve is the **polygonal curve plotted** by connecting all pairs of consecutive points
- The **ROC space** is a unit square because  $0 \leq \text{FPR} \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq \text{TPR} \leq 1$

$$C \begin{matrix} & \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ & + \quad - \\ \begin{matrix} + \\ - \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \text{TP} & \text{FN} \\ \text{FP} & \text{TN} \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

# Binary classification

- Point  $(0, 0)$ , with both  $FPR$  and  $TPR$  equal to zero, denotes the model that classifies all instances as negative
- Point  $(1, 1)$ , with both  $FPR$  and  $TPR$  equal to one, represents the classifier labeling all instances as positive
- The diagonal of the ROC space, that is, the line connecting points  $(0, 0)$  and  $(1, 1)$ , verifies  $FPR = TPR$  at all points. The classifiers represented with points along this diagonal are regarded as random classifiers. The random classifier at point  $(a, a)$  means that, for a positive labelled case,  $C = +$ , the probability that the classifier,  $\phi$ , classifies it as positive,  $\phi = +$ , equals  $a$ . In mathematical notation,  $p(\phi = + | C = +) = a$ . For a negative labelled case,  $p(\phi = + | C = -) = a$ .
- The classifiers represented by points above (or below) the diagonal perform better (or worse) than random
- $(FPR_1, TPR_1)$  represents a better classifier than  $(FPR_2, TPR_2)$  if  $(FPR_1, TPR_1)$  is on the left and higher up than  $(FPR_2, TPR_2)$ , because these positions signify that  $FPR_1 < FPR_2$  and  $TPR_1 > TPR_2$
- For point  $(1, 0)$ ,  $FPR = 1$  and  $TPR = 0$ . It denotes a classifier that gets all its predictions wrong
- Point  $(0, 1)$  represents the best classifier, which gets all the positive cases right and none the negative ones wrong

# Binary classification

Notation used by Algorithm 1 for building a ROC curve

## ROC analysis in binary classification

- $\mathcal{D}$ : the set of cases
- $\phi(\mathbf{x}^i)$ : the continuous output of the classifier for instance  $\mathbf{x}^i$
- $\min$  and  $\max$ : the smallest and largest values returned by  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ , respectively,
- $\text{incr}$ : the smallest difference between any two output values
- $N_+$  and  $N_-$ : the number of real positive and negative cases, respectively
- The range of the threshold values  $t$  is  $\min, \min + \text{incr}, \min + 2 \cdot \text{incr}, \dots, \max$
- TP and FP are initialized as 0 (lines 2 and 3)
- For each case whose classification output exceeds threshold  $t$  (line 5), the TP counter is incremented by one if the case is positive (lines 6-7); for negative cases (lines 8-9) the FP counter is incremented by one
- TPR and FPR are respectively computed (lines 12 and 13) and the associated (FPR, TPR) is added to the ROC curve (line 14)

# Binary classification

## ROC analysis in binary classification

**Algorithm 1:** A simple algorithm for building a ROC curve (Fawcett, 2006)

**Input** : A classifier  $\phi$ , and constants  $min, max, incr, N_+, N_-$

**Output:** A ROC curve

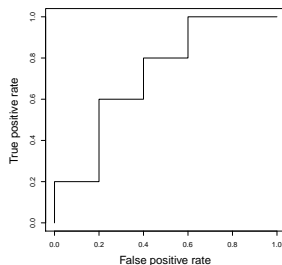
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1  for  $t = min$  to  $max$  by  $incr$  do
2      TP = 0
3      FP = 0
4      for  $\mathbf{x}^i \in \mathcal{D}$  do
5          if  $\phi(\mathbf{x}^i) \geq t$  then
6              if  $\mathbf{x}^i$  is a positive case then
7                  TP = TP + 1
8              else
9                  FP = FP + 1
10             endif
11         endfor
12         TPR = TP/ $N_+$ 
13         FPR = FP/ $N_-$ 
14         Add point (FPR, TPR) to ROC curve
15     endfor

```

# Binary classification

Instances	$\mathbf{x}^i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Output	$p(+ \mathbf{x}^i)$	0.97	0.91	0.84	0.80	0.68	0.67	0.66	0.61	0.49	0.46
True class	$c^i$	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-



- $FPR = \frac{FP}{N_-}$  and  $TPR = \frac{TP}{N_+}$
- **First threshold at 0.46.** At it, the five positive instances are well classified, whereas the five negative instances are misclassified. We get  $FPR = TPR = 1$
- All the thresholds output by increments of 0.01 (value of `incr`) **up to 0.49 yield the same results**
- **At 0.49**, the instance  $\mathbf{x}^{10}$  is correctly classified as -, and we get  $FPR = 0.80$ , and  $TPR = 1$
- The next significant threshold is **0.61**, where we get the third point, **(0.60, 1)**
- The other points are output **in a similar fashion**

# Binary classification

## The area under the ROC curve (AUC)

- The **AUC** is the most popular summary statistic for the ROC curve:  $\text{AUC}(\phi) \in [0, 1]$
- A **perfect classifier**, ( $\text{FPR} = 0$ ,  $\text{TPR} = 1$ ):  $\text{AUC}(\phi_{\text{perfect}}) = 1$
- A **random classifier**:  $\text{AUC}(\phi_{\text{random}}) = 0.5$
- The AUC can be computed as:  $\text{AUC}(\phi) = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_+} (i - \text{rank}_i)}{N_+ \cdot N_-}$ 
  - $\text{rank}_i$  is the rank (according to the posterior probability of  $C = +$ ) of the  $i$ -th case in the subset of positive labels given by classifier  $\phi$
  - $N_+$  and  $N_-$  denote the number of real positive and negative cases in  $\mathcal{D}$ , respectively
- AUC can be interpreted as** a measurement indicator of whether a classifier is able to rank a randomly chosen positive instance higher than a negative one

$$\text{AUC}(\phi) = 1 - \frac{(1 - 1) + (3 - 2) + (4 - 3) + (6 - 4) + (8 - 5)}{5 \cdot 5} = 0.72$$

The AUC directly from the Figure:

$$\text{AUC}(\phi) = 0.20 \cdot 0.20 + 0.20 \cdot 0.60 + 0.20 \cdot 0.80 + 0.40 \cdot 1 = 0.72$$

# Multi-class classification

## ROC analysis in multi-class problems

- For multi-class problems the AUC can be generalized as the **volume under the ROC surface** (Ferri et al., 2003)
- Alternatively, as **an average AUC of all possible two-class ROC curves** that can be generated from the multi-class problem (Hand and Till, 2001)

$$\text{AUC}_{\text{multi-class}}(\phi) = \frac{2}{R(R-1)} \sum_{\substack{c_i, c_j \in \Omega_C \\ c_i \neq c_j}} \text{AUC}_{c_i, c_j}(\phi)$$

- $\text{AUC}_{\text{multi-class}}(\phi)$  is the total AUC of the multi-class ROC for classifier  $\phi$
- $\text{AUC}_{c_i, c_j}(\phi)$  is the AUC of the two-class ROC curve of  $\phi$  for classes  $c_i$  and  $c_j$

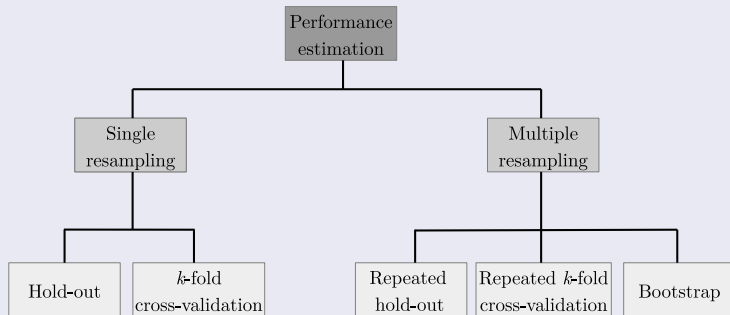
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# Honest estimation methods

## Honest estimation methods according to their sampling characteristics

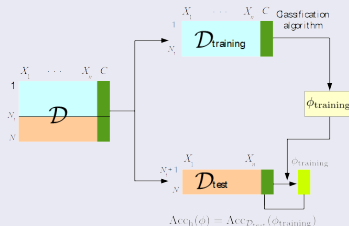


# Single resampling-based estimation methods

$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$  is partitioned into two disjoint data subsets:

- The **training data set**:  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{training}} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{N_1}, c^{N_1})\}$  with  $N_1$  cases and
- The **test data set**:  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{test}} = \mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{D}_{\text{training}} = \{(\mathbf{x}^{N_1+1}, c^{N_1+1}), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$  with  $N - N_1$  cases

## Hold-out estimation



A general empirical risk function is estimated as follows:  $R_{\mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}}(\phi_{\text{training}}) = \frac{1}{N - N_1} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}^i, c^i) \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}} L(c^i, \phi_{\text{training}}(\mathbf{x}^i))$

The hold-out estimation of classification accuracy:

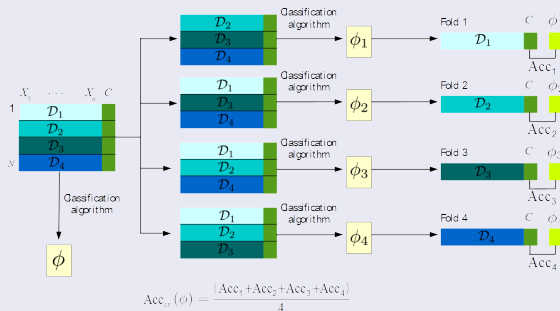
$$\text{Acc}_h(\phi) = \text{Acc}_{\mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}}(\phi_{\text{training}}) = \frac{1}{N - N_1} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}^i, c^i) \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}} \mathbb{I}(c^i = \phi_{\text{training}}(\mathbf{x}^i))$$

where  $\mathbb{I}(a)$  is the indicator function

# Single resampling-based estimation methods

$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$ , is **partitioned into  $k$  folds**:  $\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_k$ , verifying  $\mathcal{D} = \bigcup_{l=1}^k \mathcal{D}_l$  with  $\mathcal{D}_w \cap \mathcal{D}_t = \emptyset$

## $k$ -fold cross-validation (Kurtz, 1948)



Accuracy of  $\phi$  estimated as  $\text{Acc}_{cv}(\phi) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{l=1}^k \text{Acc}_l$  with  $\text{Acc}_l = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{D}_l|} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}^i, c^i) \in \mathcal{D}_l} \mathbb{I}(c^i = \phi_l(\mathbf{x}^i))$

- The  $k$ -fold cross-validation estimator is very **nearly unbiased**, but its **variance can be large** (Stone, 1977)
- **Leave-one-out cross-validation** when  $k = N$
- **Stratified  $k$ -fold cross-validation** for unbalanced data sets

# Multiple resampling-based estimation methods

## Repeated hold-out

- $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$ , is randomly partitioned  $B$  times as training data sets,  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{training}}^l$ , and test data sets,  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}^l$ . For each partition  $l \in \{1, \dots, B\}$ :  
 $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}_{\text{training}}^l \cup \mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}^l$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{training}}^l \cap \mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}^l = \emptyset$
- The final model,  $\phi$ , is learned from  $\mathcal{D}$ , and its accuracy is estimated as

$$\text{Acc}_{\text{rh}}(\phi) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{l=1}^B \text{Acc}^l$$

where  $\text{Acc}^l$  denotes the estimation of the accuracy of model  $\phi_{\text{training}}^l$ , learned from  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{training}}^l$ , and tested over  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{test}}^l$

- **Repeated hold-out** extends the main idea of the hold-out scheme to a multiple resampling scenario. The partition in the hold-out scheme is repeated several times, each with a random assignment of training and test cases
- **Advantage:** stability of the estimates (variance is low), resulting from a large number of sampling repetitions
- **Drawback:** there is no control of how many times each case is used in the training data sets or in the test data sets

# Multiple resampling-based estimation methods

## Repeated $k$ -fold cross-validation

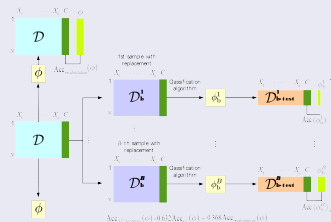
Repeated  $k$ -fold cross-validation reduces the variability of the estimator by multiple rounds of  $k$ -fold cross-validation performed using different partitions

- The  $5 \times 2$  cross-validation (Dietterich, 1998) performs five repetitions of two-fold cross-validation
- The  $10 \times 10$  cross-validation (Bouckaert, 2003) based on 10 repetitions of 10-fold cross-validation

# Multiple resampling-based estimation methods

- **Bootstrap sampling method** consists of **sampling with replacement**  $N$  cases from  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^1, c^1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^N, c^N)\}$
- **Repeated  $B$  times**:  $\mathcal{D}_b^l$ , with  $l \in \{1, \dots, B\}$ , all of size  $N$
- The **probability of a case not being chosen after  $N$  selections** is  $(1 - \frac{1}{N})^N \approx \frac{1}{e} \approx 0.368$
- The **expected number of distinct cases in each of the  $B$  data sets**  $\mathcal{D}_b^l$  used for training the classifier is  $0.632N$
- $\mathcal{D}_{b-\text{test}}^l = \mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{D}_b^l$  and  $\text{Acc}(\phi_b^l) = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{D}_{b-\text{test}}^l|} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}^j, c^j) \in \mathcal{D}_{b-\text{test}}^l} \mathbb{I}(c^j = \phi_b^l(\mathbf{x}^j))$
- The **e0 bootstrap** estimate,  $\text{Acc}_{e0}(\phi) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{l=1}^B \text{Acc}(\phi_b^l)$  can be **pessimistic**

## 0.632 bootstrap method (Efron, 1979)



$$\text{Acc}_{0.632\text{bootstrap}}(\phi) = 0.632 \text{Acc}_{e0}(\phi) + 0.368 \text{Acc}_{\text{resubstitution}}(\phi)$$

where the resubstitution estimation is:  $\text{Acc}_{\text{resubstitution}}(\phi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}^j, c^j) \in \mathcal{D}} \mathbb{I}(c^j = \phi(\mathbf{x}^j))$

- Bootstrap estimation is **asymptotically (large values of  $B$ ) unbiased** and its **variance is small**. These are interesting properties when working with small data sets.

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