EECS E6690: Statistical Learning for Biological and Information Systems

Final Project

Paper

Scaling up the accuracy of Naive-Bayes classifiers: a decision-tree hybrid

Content

- Compare Naive-Bayes and Decision-Tree
- A new algorithm: NBTree
- Test on 29 datasets

Our work

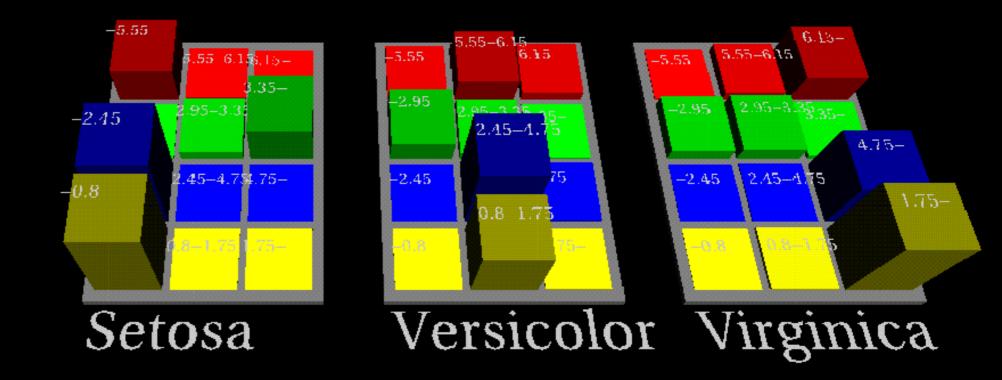
- Reproduce the result
- Compare the accuracy of NBTree and C5.0 Tree

Naive Bayes Classifier

- Based on independence assumption
- Good interpretability

Good interpretability

sepal–length sepal–width petal–length petal–width



Reference: Kohavi, Ron. (1997). Scaling Up the Accuracy of Naive-Bayes Classifiers: a Decision-Tree Hybrid. KDD.

Log probabilities are evidences to determine the class

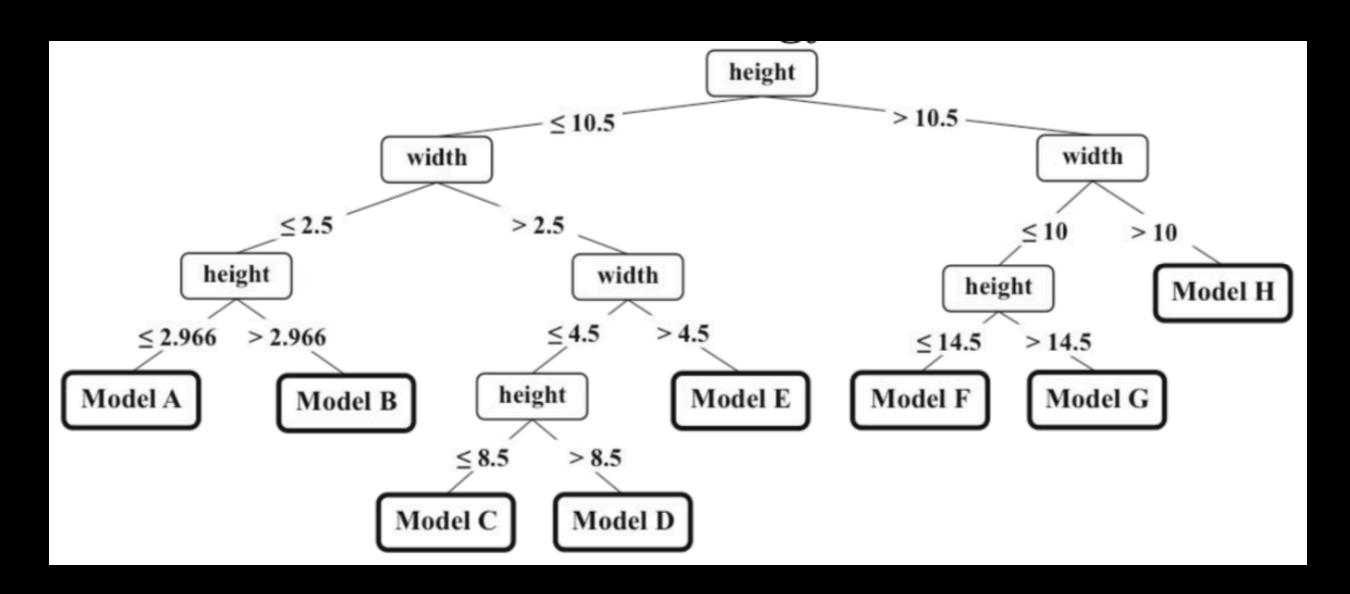
Naive Bayes Classifier

- Based on independence assumption
- Good interpretability
- Downside: Accuracy asymptotes

Decision Tree

- Good interpretability
- Accuracy doesn't asymptote
- Segments the data

NB-Tree



Reference: Gajderowicz, Bart & Sadeghian, Alireza & Soutchanski, Mikhail. (2013). Ontology Enhancement Through Inductive Decision Trees. 10.1007/978-3-642-35975-0_14.

NB-Tree

Why NB-Tree

- Compared to Naive Bayes
- Compared to Decision Tree

Dataset

| Dataset | No. Attributes | Train Size | Test Size |
|------------------|----------------|------------|-----------|
| tic-tac-toe | 9 | 958 | CV-10 |
| chess | 36 | 2130 | 1066 |
| letter | 16 | 15000 | 5000 |
| vote | 16 | 435 | CV-10 |
| monk1 | 6 | 124 | 432 |
| iris | 4 | 150 | CV-10 |
| soybean-large | 35 | 562 | CV-10 |
| breast-cancer(L) | 9 | 277 | CV-10 |
| breast-cancer(W) | 10 | 683 | CV-10 |

Result

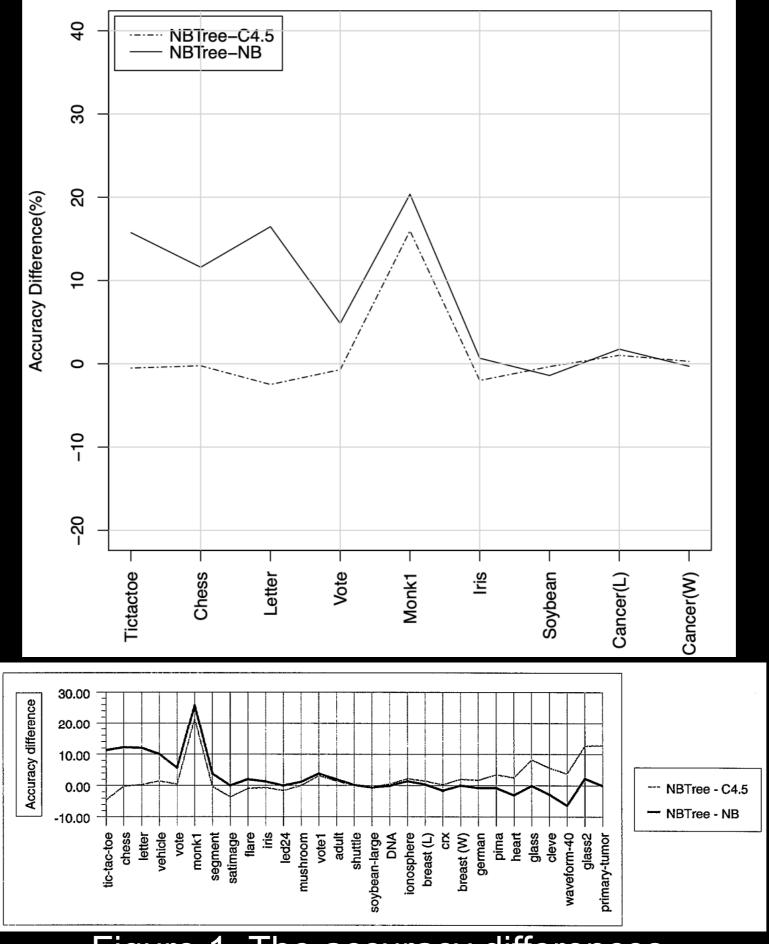


Figure 1. The accuracy differences

Result

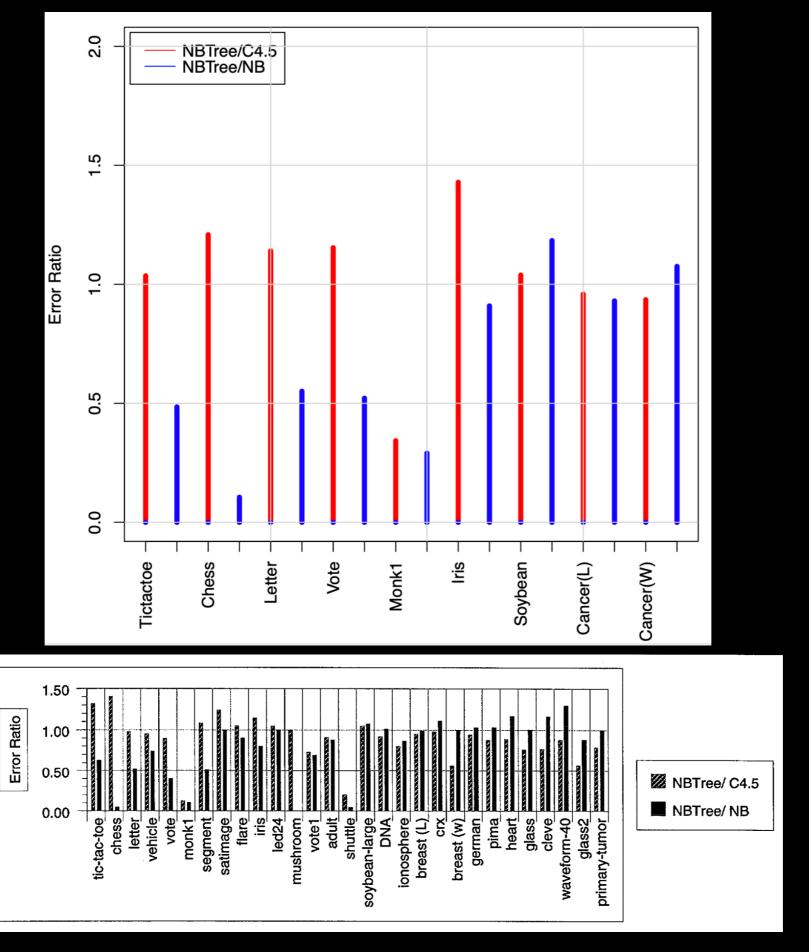


Figure 2. The error ratios of NBTree to C4.5 and Naive-Bayes.

New method: C5.0 Decision Tree

- Add Boosting on C4.5
- Improve accuracy

Experiment

- Test on the same datasets
- Boosting parameter trials=5
- Select features before constructing the tree

Result

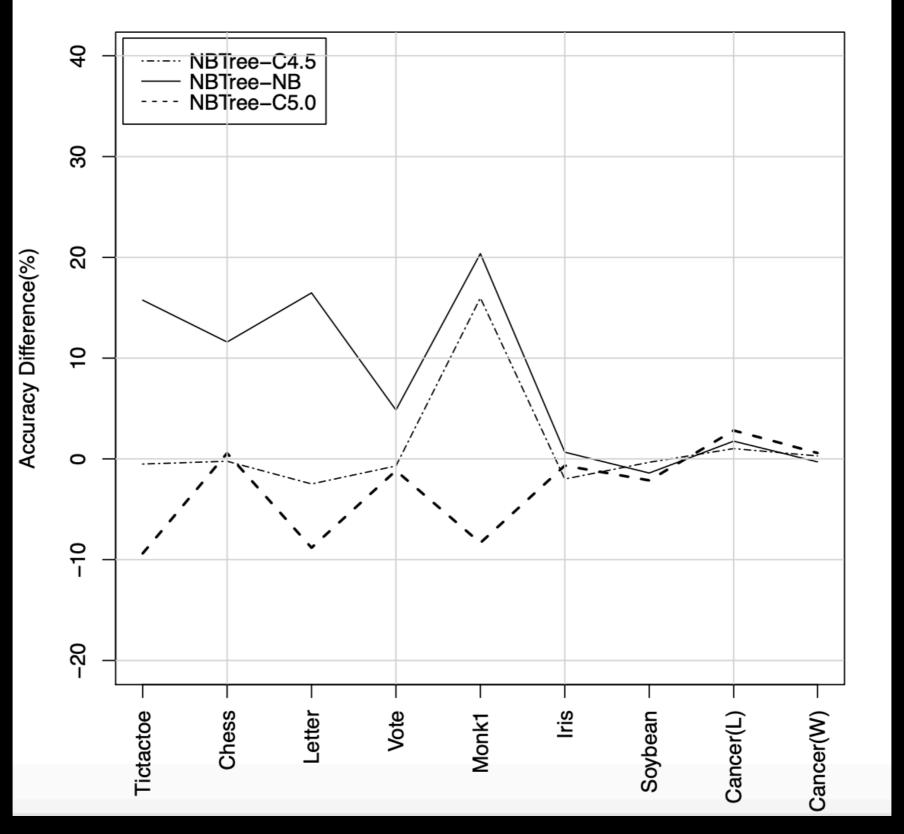


Figure 3. C5.0 Decision Tree

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