Classification with KNN and Logistic Regression

Classification with K-Nearest-Neighbors



We have existing observations

$$(x_1,C_1),\ldots(x_n,C_n)$$

where the C_i are categories.

Given a new observation x_{new} , how do we predict C_{new} ?

- 1. Find the 5 values in (x_1,\ldots,x_n) that are closest to x_{new}
- 2. Let all the closest neighbors "vote" on the category.
- 3. Predict \hat{C}_{new} = the category with the most votes.



To perform classification with K-Nearest-Neighbors, we choose the K closest observations to our target, and we aggregate their response values.

The Big Questions:

- What is our definition of closest?
- What number should we use for K?

Let's keep hanging out with the insurance dataset.

Suppose we want to use information about insurance charges to predict whether someone is a smoker or not.

```
ins <- read_csv("https://www.dropbox.com/s/bocjjyolehr5auz/insurance.csv?dl=1")</pre>
                                                  head(ins)
```

```
charges
<dbl>
                                                 3757.
28923.
2721.
                        16885.
21984.
                                          3867.
                         southwest
                                          northwest
                                                   southeast
                                                           northwest
                                  northwest
                                                                    northeast
         bmi smoker region
                 <chr>
                <dbl> <chr>
27.9 yes
22.7 no
28.9 no
25.7 no
25.8 no
25.8 no
26.2 no
## # A tibble: 6 x 6
                                                  female
female
                          female
                 <db/><db/><db/><
                                 33 male
32 male
31 female
60 female
25 male
         age sex
                         # # # # # #
# # # # # #
```

Establish our model:

```
knn_mod <- nearest_neighbor(neighbors = 5) %>%
set_engine("kknn") %>%
set_mode("classification")
```

- New mode "classification"
- Everything else is the same!

Fit our model:

```
## Error: For classification models, the outcome should be a factor.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      ## Error in summary(.): object 'knn_fit_1' not found
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             knn_fit_1 <- knn_mod %>%
fit(smoker ~ charges, data = ins)
knn_fit_1 <- knn_mod %>%
fit(smoker ~ charges, data = ins)
                                                                                                                                                                                 knn_fit_1$fit %>% summary()
```

Error: For classification models, the outcome should be a factor.

knn_fit_1\$fit %>% summary()

Error in summary(.): object 'knn_fit_1' not found

```
ins <- ins %>%
    mutate(
        smoker = factor(smoker)
) %>%
    drop_na()
```

```
##
## Call:
## kknn::train.kknn(formula = smoker ~ charges, data = data, ks = ~5)
##
## Type of response variable: nominal
## Minimal misclassification: 0.06032
## Best kernel: optimal
## Best k: 5
knn_fit_1 <- knn_mod %>%
fit(smoker ~ charges, data = ins)
                                                                   knn_fit_1$fit %>% summary()
```

Try it!

Open Activity-Classification. Rmd or equivalent

Select the best KNN model for predicting smoker status

(What metrics does the cross-validation process automatically output?)

```
lm_mod <- linear_reg() %>%
  set_engine("lm") %>%
  set_mode("classification")
```

Consider the following idea:

1. Convert the smoker variable to a dummy variable:

```
ins <- ins %>%
    mutate(
    smoker_number = case_when(
    smoker == "yes" ~ 1,
    smoker == "no" ~ 0
)
)
)
)
```

Consider the following idea:

1. Fit a linear regression predicting smoker dummy var:

```
ins_rec <- recipe(smoker_number ~ charges, data = ins) %>%
step_normalize(all_numeric(), -smoker_number)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              ins_wflow <- workflow() %>%
                                                                                                                        lm_mod <- linear_reg() %>%
set_engine("lm") %>%
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        add_recipe(ins_rec) %>%
                                                                                                                                                                                   set_mode("regression")
                                     flair("lm_mod") %>%
flair("smoker_number")
decorate("reg_fit") %>%
flair("-smoker") %>%
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     add_model(lm_mod
```

Consider the following idea:

1. Predict each observation to be the smoker closest to the number:

```
preds <- ins_fit %>% predict(ins)
ins <- ins %>%
    mutate(
    predicted_num = preds$.pred,
    predicted_smoker = round(predicted_num)
)
```

How did we do?

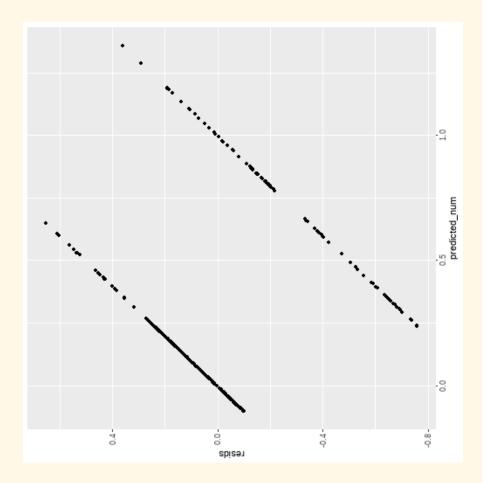
```
ins %>%
    count(predicted_smoker, smoker_number)
## # A tibble 4 x 3
```



What's wrong with this?

Linear regression assumes that the residuals are Normally distributed. Obviously, they are not here.

Residuals



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Solution: How about the same approach, Y is a function of X plus noise, but we let the noise be non-Normal?

$$Y = f(X) + (\lambda epsilon)$$

$$Y=g^{-1}(\beta_0+\beta_1X+\epsilon)$$

for some function g.

Easier way to think of it:

Before:

$$\mu_Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

Now:

$$g(\mu_Y)=eta_0+eta_1 X$$

(\$g\$ is called the link function)

A common transformation is the logistic:

$$g(u) = \log(u)/\log{(1-u)}$$

In this case, \boldsymbol{u} represents the probability of someone being a smoker.

Our observations Y have probability 0 or 1, since we observe them.

Future observations are unknown, so we predict them.

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Logistic Regression

In summary:

- Given predictors, we try to predict the log-odds of a person being a smoker.
- We assume random noise on the relationship between the predictors and the log-odds of the response
- From these log-odds, we calculate the probabilities.
- We compare the probabilities (between 0 and 1) to the observed truths (0 or 1 exactly).

New model:

```
logit_mod <- logistic_reg() %>%
set_mode("classification") %>%
set_engine("glm")
```

Same recipe (but sticking with the original smoker variable now):

```
ins_rec <- recipe(smoker ~ charges, data = ins) %>%
   step_normalize(all_numeric())
```

New workflow:

```
## Call: stats::glm(formula = ..y ~ ., family = stats::binomial, data = data)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               ## Degrees of Freedom: 430 Total (i.e. Null); 429 Residual
## Null Deviance: 434
## Residual Deviance: 139 AIC: 143
ins_wflow_logit <- workflow() %>%
  add_recipe(ins_rec) %>%
  add_model(logit_mod)
                                                                                                                                            ins_fit %>% pull_workflow_fit()
                                                                                 ins_fit <- ins_wflow_logit %>%
  fit(ins)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   charges
3.62
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             Residual Deviance: 139
                                                                                                                                                                                                ## parsnip model object
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         ## Fit time: 10ms
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           ## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
##
-2.62
##
```

Notice: Now our predictions are of the type pred_class!

R did the hard part for us.

```
preds <- ins_fit %>% predict(ins)
preds
```

```
## # A tibble: 431 x 1
## .pred_class
## 
## 1 no
## 2 yes
## 3 no
## 4 no
## 5 yes
## 6 no
## 7 yes
## 8 no
## 9 yes
## 10 no
## 10 no
## 10 no
## # ... with 421 more rows
```

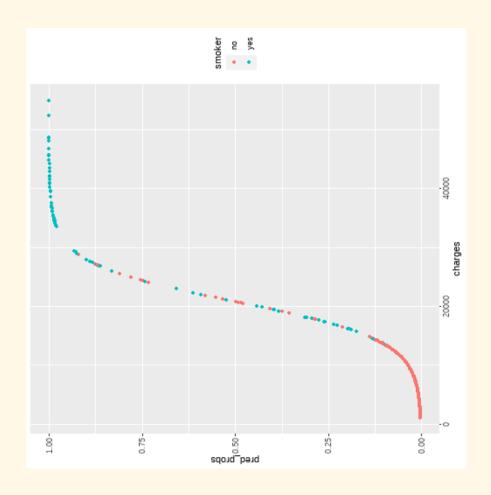
Suppose we wanted to see the predicted log-odds values:

```
ins_fit %>% predict(ins, type = "raw")
```

```
1.011647 -5.842953 -5.877080
                                                             -3.150687 4.226450 -0.423825 -5.549963
```

Suppose we wanted to see the predicted probabilities:

```
ins_fit %>% predict(ins, type = "prob")
## # A tibble: 431 x 2
```



How many did we get correct?

What percentage did we get correct?

```
ins %>%
    mutate(
        correct = (predicted_smoker == smoker)
) %>%
    count(correct) %>%
    mutate(
        pct = n/sum(n)
)
                                                                                                                                                                         ## # A tibble: 2 x 3
## correct n pct
## <lg1> <int> <db1>
## 1 FALSE 35 0.0812
## 2 TRUE 396 0.919
```

Questions to ponder

- What if we have a categorical variable where 99% of our values are Category A?
- What if we have a categorical variable with more than 2 categories?
- What if we want to do a transformation besides logistic?
- Are there other ways to do classification besides these logistic regression and KNN?

Try it!

Open Activity-Classification. Rmd again

Select the best logistic regression model for predicting smoker status

Report the cross-validated metrics - how do they compare to KNN?