

# Machine Learning

## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 Binary Classification problem

Find a binary classifier :  $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$   
 $x \mapsto h(x)$

So that  $\mathbb{P}_{(x,y) \sim D}[h(x) \neq y]$  is small.  
 With :

- $X$  : space of input data (image, text, sound, etc.)
- $Y$  : space of label (e.g.  $Y = \{-1, 1\}$ )
- $D$  : joint probability distribution of  $(x, y) \in X \times Y$

→ **Objectif of ML** : Risk Minimization for  $h \in H$

#### Définition - Test error of $h$

Let  $h \in H$ , the test error of  $h$  is defined as :

$$\begin{aligned} R_D(h) &= \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim D}[\mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq y}] \\ &= \int_{X \times Y} \mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq y} D(dx, y) \end{aligned}$$

#### Propriété - Bayes Classifier

The minimal risk is given by the Bayes Classifier :

$$h_{\text{Bayes}} = \operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \{-1, 1\}} \mathbb{P}_{(x,y) \sim D}[y|x] \in \{-1, 1\}$$

**Example** :  $\mathbb{P}(y|x)$  with gaussians mixtures

Let  $\mathbb{P}(y = -1) = \pi_0$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(y = 1) = 1 - \pi_0$  with  $\pi_0 \in [0, 1]$   
 $\mathbb{P}(x|y = -1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_1)$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(x|y = 1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \Sigma_2)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(y = -1|x) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(x|y = -1)\mathbb{P}(y = -1)}{\mathbb{P}(x)} && \text{(Bayes' rule)} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(x|y = -1)\mathbb{P}(y = -1)}{\mathbb{P}(x|y = -1)\mathbb{P}(y = -1) + \mathbb{P}(x|y = 1)\mathbb{P}(y = 1)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(y = 1|x) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(y = -1|x)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}h_{\text{Bayes}}(x) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbb{P}(y = 1|x) > \mathbb{P}(y = -1|x) \\ -1 & \text{if } \mathbb{P}(y = 1|x) < \mathbb{P}(y = -1|x) \\ \pm 1 & \text{if } \mathbb{P}(y = 1|x) = \mathbb{P}(y = -1|x) \end{cases} \\ \Leftrightarrow h_{\text{Bayes}}(x) &= \text{sign}(\mathbb{P}(x|y = -1)\pi_0 - \mathbb{P}(x|y = 1)(1 - \pi_0))\end{aligned}$$

### Théorème

Let  $H$  be all measurable functions from  $X$  to  $\{-1, 1\}$ .  
Then,  $R_D(h) \geq R_D(h_{\text{Bayes}})$  for all  $h \in H$ .

► Assume  $D(dx, y) = \mathbb{P}(x|y)dx \cdot \mathbb{P}(y) = \mathbb{P}(y|x)\mathbb{P}(x)dx$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then : } R_D(h) &= \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim D}[\mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq y}] \\ &= \sum_{y \in \{-1, 1\}} \int_X \mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq y} D(dx, y) \\ &= \sum_{y \in \{-1, 1\}} \int_X \mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq y} \mathbb{P}(y|x)\mathbb{P}(x)dx \\ &= \int_X \mathbb{P}(y = 1|x) \mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq 1} \mathbb{P}(x)dx + \int_X \mathbb{P}(y = -1|x) \mathbb{1}_{h(x) \neq -1} \mathbb{P}(x)dx\end{aligned}$$

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## 1.2 Linear Classification problem

In general,  $D$  is unknown and  $\mathbb{P}(x|y)$  is hard to model,  $\mathbb{P}(y)$  prior to choose.  
Start from "simple"  $H$  : linear classifiers on  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

### Définition - Linear classifier

A linear classifier is a function  $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$  of the form :

$$\begin{aligned}h(x) &= \text{sign}(\langle w, x \rangle + b) \\ &= \text{sign}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i + b\right)\end{aligned}$$

with  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Remarque :** Labels :

+1 if  $w^T x + b > 0$

-1 if  $w^T x + b < 0$

$\pm 1$  if  $w^T x + b = 0$

Given a set of training samples iid from  $D$  :

$S = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_m, y_m)\} \in (X \times Y)^m$

Find a classifier  $h_S \in H$  such that the generalization error  $R_D(h_S)$  is small.

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**Algorithm 1:** Perceptron

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1 Initialize  $k = 0$  and  $w_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 
2 repeat
3   for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  do
4     if  $\text{sign}(w_k^T x_i) = y_i$  then
5       exit if  $k$  big
6     else
7       if  $y_i = 1$  then
8          $w_{k+1} = w_k + x_i$ 
9       else
10         $w_{k+1} = w_k - x_i$ 
11    $k = k + 1$ 
12 until;
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**Remarque :**  $k$  is the number of iterations or the number of errors made by the algorithm.

**Remarque :**  $S$  can be separated by some  $h \in H$ .

i.e.  $\exists w^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $\|w^*\| = 1$  and  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, y_i(w^{*T} x_i) > 0$ .

**Théorème**

On linear separable data  $S$  and  $w_0 = 0$ , the Perceptron algorithm generates  $(w_k)_{k \geq 0}$  which converges in finite number of error corrections.

► Let  $\forall i \leq m, y_i = \text{sign}(\langle w^*, x_i \rangle)$

Let  $R = \max_{i \leq m} \|x_i\| < \infty$  and  $M = \min_{i \leq m} y_i \langle w^*, x_i \rangle > 0$

We have to show that  $\langle w_{k+1}, w^* \rangle \geq \langle w_k, w^* \rangle + M$

Indeed, if  $y_i = 1$  and  $\text{sign}(\langle w_k, x_i \rangle) = -1$  then :

$$\begin{aligned} w_{k+1} &= w_k + x_i \text{ and } \langle w^*, x_i \rangle \geq M \\ \Rightarrow \langle w_{k+1}, w^* \rangle &= \langle w_k, w^* \rangle + \langle x_i, w^* \rangle \geq \langle w_k, w^* \rangle + M \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if  $y_i = -1$ .

Therefore,  $\langle w_k, w^* \rangle \geq kM$  and  $\|w_k\| \sim \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{k})$ .

Then,  $\frac{\langle w_k, w^* \rangle}{\|w_k\|} \geq \frac{kM}{\sqrt{k}R} \geq \frac{M}{R}\sqrt{k}$  and  $\langle w_k, w^* \rangle \leq \|w_k\| \cdot \|w^*\| \leq \|w_k\|$ .

So,  $k \leq \left(\frac{R}{M}\right)^2$ .

**Remarque :**  $M$  is the margin of the data.

$$M = \min_{i \leq m} y_i \langle w^*, x_i \rangle \quad M \nearrow \Rightarrow k_{\max} \searrow$$

**Remarque :** Unclear if the the Perceptron algorithm finds  $h_{\text{Bayes}}$  which minimize the test error.

Unclear if  $S$  non linear separable ( $M \leq 0$ ).

Extend algo to  $H = \{\bar{x} \mapsto \text{sign}(\bar{w}^T \bar{x}) + \bar{b} | \bar{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Consider  $\bar{x} = (x, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and  $\bar{w} = (w, b) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ .

## 2 Support Vector Machine

Find a linear classification which has a maximal margin.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Smallest test error.

### Définition - Margin

Let  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ , the margin of  $(w, b)$  is :

$$\phi_h = \min_{i \leq m} \frac{\|w^T x_i + b\|}{\|w\|}$$

### 2.1 Problem formulation

#### 2.1.1 Linearly separable case

$$\max_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \phi_h \quad \text{so that} \quad \forall i \leq m, y_i(w^T x_i + b) > 0$$

Feasible solution exists :  $\exists w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\forall i \leq m, y_i(w^T x_i + b) > 0$ .

Reformulation of SVM :

$$\max_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \min_{i \leq m} \frac{y_i(w^T x_i + b)}{\|w\|}$$

**Remarque :** Invariance by scaling :  $\forall \lambda > 0, (w, b)$  solution  $\Rightarrow (\lambda w, \lambda b)$  solution.

$\Rightarrow$  Set  $\min_{i \leq m} y_i(w^T x_i + b) = 1$ .

Formulation of SVM :

$$(P) \quad \max_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\|w\|} \quad \text{so that} \quad \min_{i \leq m} y_i(w^T x_i + b) = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$(P') \quad \max_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{\|w\|} \quad \text{so that} \quad \forall i \leq m, y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 \quad (2)$$

### Propriété

(P) and (P') are equivalent.

- • If  $(\bar{w}, \bar{b})$  is a solution of (P'), then it is a feasible solution of (P).
  - If  $\min_{i \leq m} y_i(\bar{w}^T x_i + \bar{b}) = 1$ , then  $(P') \Rightarrow (P)$ .
  - If  $\min_{i \leq m} y_i(\bar{w}^T x_i + \bar{b}) > 1$  :
    - Let  $\phi_{\bar{w}, \bar{b}} = \min_{i \leq m} \frac{y_i(\bar{w}^T x_i + \bar{b})}{\|\bar{w}\|} > \frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|}$ .
    - Let  $\hat{w} = \frac{\bar{w}}{\|\bar{w}\|} \frac{1}{\phi_{\bar{w}, \bar{b}}}$  and  $\hat{b} = \frac{\bar{b}}{\|\bar{w}\|} \frac{1}{\phi_{\bar{w}, \bar{b}}}$ .
    - Then,  $\min_{i \leq m} y_i(\hat{w}^T x_i + \hat{b}) = 1$  and  $\frac{1}{\|\hat{w}\|} < \frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|}$ . So  $(\bar{w}, \bar{b})$  is not optimal for (P') : absurd.
- $\forall (w, b)$  so that  $\min_{i \leq m} y_i(w^T x_i + b) = 1$  (solution of (P)), we have :
  - $\frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|} \geq \frac{1}{\|w\|}$  (by optimality of (P')).
  - So  $(\bar{w}, \bar{b})$  is a solution of (P').

Primal problem :

$$(P'') \quad \min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 \quad \text{so that} \quad \forall i \leq m, y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 \quad (3)$$

**Remarque :**  $(P'') \Leftrightarrow (P')$

$(P'')$  is a quadratic programming with linear constraints.

**Remarque :** We can deduce the dual problem of  $(P'')$  with KKT.

### 2.1.2 Extension to non-linearly separable data

$$\min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n, b \in \mathbb{R}, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^m} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i^p \quad \text{so that} \quad \forall i \leq m, y_i(w^T x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \quad (4)$$

With :

- $C > 0$  : regularization parameter
- $\xi_i \geq 0$  : slack variable
- $p \geq 1$  : norm of the slack variable

## 3 Generalisation theory in binary classification

Find  $h \in H$  so that  $R_D(h) = \mathbb{P}_{(x,y) \sim D}[h(x) \neq y]$  is small.

Given a set of training samples iid from  $D$  :  $S = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_m, y_m)\} \in (X \times Y)^m$

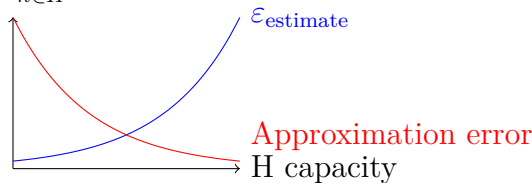
$h_S \in H$  is the classifier learned from an algorithm (Perceptron, SVM, etc.)

### Propriété

$$\min_{h \in H} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{1}_{h(x_i) \neq y_i} \xrightarrow[m \rightarrow \infty]{\text{Loi des Grands Nombres}} R_D(h) \quad (5)$$

Classical picture of ML theory :

$$R_D(h_S) = \min_{h \in H} R_D(h)$$



Overfitting :

$$R_D(h_S) \text{ big but } \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{1}_{h(x_i) \neq y_i} \approx 0$$

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How to analyse  $R_D(h_S)$  ?

$S$  iid from  $D \Rightarrow h_S$  is a random variable  $\Rightarrow R_D(h_S)$  is a random variable.

1. Control of  $\mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[R_D(h_S)]$
2. Confidence interval for  $R_D(h_S)$

### 3.1 Control of $\mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[R_D(h_S)]$

Leave-one-out cross-validation analysis for linear separable data :

$\mathbb{P}_{S \sim D^m}[S \text{ linear separable}] = 1$ .

Leave-one-out algo A :  $h_S = A(S)$

$$\hat{R}_{\text{LOO}}(A) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{1}_{h_{S \setminus \{x_i\}}(x_i) \neq y_i}$$

#### Propriété

If  $m \geq 2$ , then  $\mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\hat{R}_{\text{LOO}}(A)] = \mathbb{E}_{S' \sim D^{m-1}}[R_D(h_{S'})]$

$$\begin{aligned} \blacktriangleright \mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\hat{R}_{\text{LOO}}(A)] &= \mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m} \left[ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{1}_{h_{S \setminus \{x_i\}}(x_i) \neq y_i} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\mathbb{1}_{h_{S \setminus \{x_i\}}(x_i) \neq y_i}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\mathbb{1}_{h_{S \setminus \{x_1\}}(x_1) \neq y_1}] \quad (\text{by independence}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{S' \sim D^{m-1}}[\mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim D}[\mathbb{1}_{h_{S'}(x) \neq y}]] \quad (S' = S \setminus \{x_1\}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{S' \sim D^{m-1}}[R_D(h_{S'})] \end{aligned}$$

#### Théorème

Assume  $S$  is linearly separable (almost surely).

Let  $N_{\text{sn}}(S) = |\{x_i | y_i(w^T x_i + b) = 1, i \leq m\}|$  (number of support vectors).

Then,  $\mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\hat{R}_{\text{LOO}}(A)] \leq \mathbb{E}_{S \sim D^m}[\frac{N_{\text{sn}}(S)}{m}]$

$\blacktriangleright$  Let  $(x, y) \in S$ . If  $x$  is not a support vector of  $h_S : h_{S \setminus \{x\}} = h_S$ .  
Therefore, if  $h_{S \setminus \{x\}}(x) \neq y$  then  $x$  is a support vector of  $h_S$ .  
So,  $\hat{R}_{\text{LOO}}(h_S) \leq \frac{N_{\text{sn}}(S)}{m}$ .