Machine Learning Homework 7

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Problem 1. For any functional f of classifier h, prove that

$$E_{h \sim Q}[f(h)] \le \ln E_{h \sim P}[\exp\{f(h)\}] + D(Q||P)$$

Proof.

$$E_{h\sim Q}[f(h)] = E_{h\sim Q}[\ln e^{f(h)}]$$

$$= E_{h\sim Q} \ln e^{f(h)} \frac{dP}{dQ}] + D(Q||P)$$

$$\leq \ln E_{h\sim Q}[e^{f(h)} \frac{dP}{dQ}] + D(Q||P)$$

$$= \ln E_{h\sim P}[\exp\{f(h)\}] + D(Q||P)$$

Problem 2. Denote that $f(h) = n[\operatorname{err}_D(h) - \operatorname{err}_S(h)]^2$, prove that

$$\mathbb{P}\left[E_{h\sim P}\exp\{f(h)\} \ge \frac{3}{\delta}\right] \le \delta$$

Proof. According to chernoff bound,

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\left|\operatorname{err}_D(h) - \operatorname{err}_S(h)\right| \ge \epsilon\right] \le 2e^{-2n\epsilon^2}$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbb{P}[e^{f(h)} \ge t] = \mathbb{P}\left[|\operatorname{err}_D(h) - \operatorname{err}_S(h)| \ge \sqrt{\frac{\ln t}{n}}\right] \le \frac{2}{t^2}$$

$$\therefore E_{h \sim P} \exp\{f(h)\} = \int_0^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}[e^{f(h)} \ge t] dt$$

$$\le \int_0^1 1 dt + \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{2}{t^2} dt$$

$$= 3$$

By Markov's inequality, the result holds.