

Solutions to Sheet 2

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Exercise 1

a)

Let

$$X_2 = Y_1 Y_2$$

with Y_1, Y_2 representing one throw each. Because $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$ for independent X, Y

$$E(X_2) = E(Y_1 Y_2) = E(Y_1)E(Y_2)$$

holds. With $E(Y_1) = E(Y_2) = 3.5$ this leads to

$$E(X_2) = 3.5^2 = 12.25$$

. We further know that $\text{Var}(X_2) = E(X_2^2) - E(X_2)^2$. Therefore

$$\text{Var}(X_2) = E(Y_1^2 Y_2^2) - 12.25^2 = E(Y_1^2)E(Y_2^2) - 12.25^2 = \frac{91^2}{36} - 12.25^2 \approx 79.97$$

, because $E(Y_1^2) = E(Y_2^2) = \frac{91}{6}$.

b)

Let

$$X_n = Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_n$$

with Y_1, \dots, Y_n independent and describing one throw each. Then

$$E(X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n E(Y_i)$$

. Using $E(Y_i) = 3.5 \forall i$

$$E(X_n) = 3.5^n$$

. As above

$$\text{Var}(X_n) = E(X_n^2) - E(X_n)^2 = \prod_{i=1}^n E(Y_i^2) - 3.5^{2n} = \frac{91^n - 73.5^n}{6^n}$$

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c)

Let $X_i \in \{0; 1\}$ with $X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{throw results in one} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ then

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{200} X_i$$

is the number of ones in 200 throws. Observe that

$$\Pr(X_i = 1) = \frac{1}{6} = 1 - \Pr(X_i = 0) \forall i \in [n]$$

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Then

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{200} E(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{200} \frac{1}{6} = \frac{200}{6}$$

$$E(X^2) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{200} E(X_i) \right)^2 = E(X)^2$$

. This leads to

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2 = 0$$

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The Probability to encounter at most 7 ones in 200 throws is

$$\Pr(X \leq 7) = \Pr(\text{"193 times not 1"}) = \prod_{i=1}^{193} \frac{5}{6} \leq 7 \times 10^{-16}$$

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The inequalities yield the following borders:

Chebyshev

$$\Pr(|X - E(X)| \geq \frac{158}{6}) \leq \frac{6^2 \text{Var}(X)}{158} = 0$$

where $\frac{158}{6}$ is the minimum distance 7 ones are from the Expectation.

Chernoff

$$\Pr(X \leq \left(1 - \frac{158}{200}\right) E(X)) \leq e^{-\frac{\frac{200}{6} \frac{158^2}{200^2}}{2}} = 0.0000303818$$

where $\left(1 - \frac{158}{200}\right) E(X) = 7$.

Hoeffding

$$\Pr(X \leq \frac{200}{6} - \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{7}{200}\right) 200) \leq e^{-2 \cdot 200 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{7}{200}\right)} = 0.009736638$$

In this case Chernoff's inequality gives the best bound. Chebyshev's inequality does not work here because $E(X)^2 = E(X^2) \Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = 0$.

Exercise 3

Using a description scheme where for each node is encoded using the binary representation of the index of the splitting feature using $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ and for each node $\Sigma^{\text{No. of features}}$. A 16 node decision tree with 6 features uses $16 \cdot 2^3$ bits hence

$$n = 16 = 2^3 = 128.$$

We know from

$$m \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(n \ln |\Sigma| + 2 \ln \left(\frac{2}{\delta} \right) \right)$$

that for $\epsilon = 0.05$ and $\delta = 0.2$ we need at least $m \geq 1821$ training examples to archive the described accuracy and probability for the described tree.

Exercise 4**a)**

For a set of 12 points of X you can choose a 12 elements set of H that covers all points of the set. To cover 11 points of the set of X you can choose the set of H such that 11 points of the set of X were covered and one is not covered. You can do this for all of the sets of 11 points. Analogous you can do this for 10 points of X till no point is covered by the subset of H . So a set of 12 points of X are shattered.

If you choose 13 points of X you just can cover 12 points. So it is impossible to cover 13 points of X with the subset of H . So $\text{VC}(H) = 12$.

b)

The VC-dimension for all circles in the plane is 3.

The VC-dimension is at least 3 because using circles one can always separate two points from one other (by setting up a circle ($r=0$) around the single point and defining it inside or outside the subset) and obviously include all three or none.

It's VC-dimension is at most 3, because with a circle it is not possible to generate all two element subsets from four points. No matter how the four points are distributed across \mathbb{R}^2 for at least one possible two element subset one other point is 'in the way' of the circle.

Exercise 6

With $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, the event sequence 121234 and

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

a)

Using the MWU algorithm, we find :

- $\omega^{(1)} = (1, 1, 1)$
- $\omega^{(2)} = (\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2})$
- $\omega^{(3)} = (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
- $\omega^{(4)} = (\frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$
- $\omega^{(5)} = (\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$
- $\omega^{(6)} = (\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})$
- And finally : $\omega^{(7)} = (\frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{16}, 0.09)$

b)

Using the definition of the probability distribution, we find :

- The probability to follow the advice of expert 1 in round 6 is 0.2
- The probability to follow the advice of expert 2 in round 6 is 0.4
- The probability to follow the advice of expert 3 in round 6 is 0.4

So : $p^{(6)} = (0.2, 0.4, 0.4)$

c)

Even if we change the order the result of $\omega^{(7)}$ will stay the same, because it does not depend on the order :

$$\omega_i^{(t+1)} = (1 - \alpha)^{\sum_{s=1}^t L_{ij(s)}} \omega_i^{(1)}$$