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# Chapter 5: Advanced Classification Methods

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### **KNN**

Very straightforward!



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### **SVM**





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#### Introduction





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- Solve classification problems.
  - Given a data point, making a decision on which group it belongs to.
- Basic ideas: Given a set of data(training data), construct a so-called 'boundary' and use it to 'split' different groups of data and make decisions.





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# Graphic representation

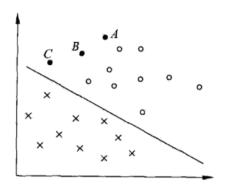


Figure: Bi-object classification problem



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#### Linear SVM- hardmax





### Basic ideas

 Consider a bi-object classification problem, we use a linear boundary

$$wx(inner product) + b = 0$$

to separate two groups. And use

$$sign(wx_i + b)$$

to denote the group to which  $x_i$  belongs.

 Different signs mean different groups and the concre group identity of one data point depends on the training results.

# **Functional Margin**

- If one points lies too close to the boundary, it is reasonable to suspect that this point belongs to the other category.
  - New training data points may shift the boundary and change the classified category of this kind of points.
- So we use Functional Margin

$$\hat{\gamma}_i = y_i(wx_i + b)$$

to denote the margin of one point. And

$$\hat{\gamma} = \min_{i} \gamma_{i}$$

to denote the margin of the boundary.



# Geometrical Margin

- Drawbacks: Proportional change of *w*, *b* will make functional margin change, though the boundary remains the same.
- Solution: Use Geometrical Margin

$$\gamma_i = y_i \left( \frac{w}{\|w\|} x_i + \frac{b}{\|w\|} \right)$$

And

$$\gamma = \min_{i} \gamma_{i}$$

to denote the functional margin, respectively.



# **Optimization Form**

Obviously, people want to make all points as far as possible from the boundary to make the results more stable. So the optimization problem is

$$\max_{w,b} \frac{\hat{\gamma}}{||w||}$$
s.t.  $y_i(wx_i + b) \ge \hat{\gamma}$ 

WLOG, let  $\hat{\gamma} = 1$ , we can change the formula as

$$\min_{w,b} \frac{1}{2} ||w||^2$$
s.t.  $y_i(wx_i + b) - 1 \ge 0$ 



# Why we call the model SVM?

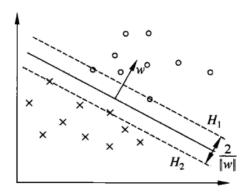


Figure: Support Vectors and Margin



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### Linear SVM- softmax

In some cases, it is hard to satisfy the conditions

$$y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \ge 1$$

for all points. So we add a penalized parameter *C*. Then the model updates as

$$\min_{w,b,\xi} \frac{1}{2} ||w||^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i$$

$$y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i$$

$$\xi_i > 0$$



Where  $\xi_i$  is the adjustment parameters.

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#### Solve the optimization problem





#### Theorem 1

The dual problem of the optimization formula before is

$$\min_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j (x_i \cdot x_j) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i$$

$$s.t. \quad \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$0 < \alpha_i < C, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$$



#### Proof(Section 1)

Construct a Lagrange function

$$L(w, b, \xi, \alpha, \mu) = \frac{1}{2} ||w||^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{N} \xi_i$$

$$-\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_{i}(y_{i}(w \cdot x_{i} + b) - 1 + \xi_{i}) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mu_{i}\xi_{i}$$

where  $\alpha_i, \mu_i \geq 0$ . It is a max-min problem, so we first solve the minimal w.r.t.  $w, b, \xi$ 



#### Proof(Section 2)

$$\begin{cases} \nabla_w L = w - \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i = 0 \\ \nabla_b L = -\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ \nabla_{\xi_i} L = C - \alpha_i - \mu_i = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solve the system we can obtain

$$\begin{cases} w = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i y_i X_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ C - \alpha_i - \mu_i = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (1)





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### Solve the optimization problem

#### Proof(Section 3)

Substitute (1) into  $L(w, b, \xi, \alpha, \mu)$  we can obtain

$$\min_{w,b,\xi} L = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j (x_i \cdot x_j) + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ C - \alpha_i - \mu_i = 0 \\ \alpha_i \ge 0 \\ \mu_i \ge 0 \end{cases}$$



#### Proof(Section 4)

Just do a little transformation, remove  $\mu_i$ . The proof is done.

#### Remark

After getting solutions  $\alpha^* = (\alpha_1^*, \alpha_2^*, \cdots, \alpha_N^*)^T$ , the boundary function will be

$$\begin{cases} w^* = \sum_{1}^{N} \alpha_i^* y_i x_i \\ b^* = y_j - \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i \alpha_i^* (x_i \cdot x_j) \end{cases}$$

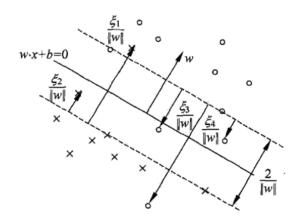
More rigorous details are linked to convex optimization theory which I do not want to show.



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Solve the optimization problem

### **Support Vectors**







# Explanation

- $\xi_1$ : Wrong,  $\xi_1 > 1, \alpha_1^* = C$
- $\xi_2$ : Right but not good,  $0 < \xi_2 < 1, \alpha_2^* = \mathcal{C}$
- Other circles: Right,  $\alpha_2^* < C$



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# Hinge Loss

#### Theorem 2

The original optimization problem of LSVM

$$\begin{cases} \min_{w,b,\xi} \frac{1}{2} ||w||^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \\ s.t. \quad y_i (w \cdot x_i + b) \geqslant 1 - \xi_i \\ \xi_i \geqslant 0 \end{cases}$$

tantamounts to

$$\min_{w,b} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left[ 1 - y_i \left( w \cdot x_i + b \right) \right]_+ + \lambda ||w||^2$$



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### An Example





# An Example

Suppose the boundary of two groups is an ellipse-like shape, how to use SVM to classify these two?

- Answer: Kernel Trick
- Use a new map function to change the data points into new linear space. Then the non-linear boundary can become linear in new space.

# **Mathematical Explanation**

Suppose  $x = (x_1, x_2)'$  for each data point, let

$$z = (z_1, z_2)' = \phi(x) = (x_1^2, x_2^2)'$$

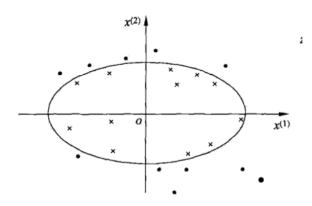
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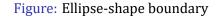
$$w_1x_1^2 + x_2x_2^2 + b = w \cdot \phi(x) + b = w \cdot z + b = w_1z_1 + w_2z_2 + b$$

where  $w = (w_1, w_2)'$ . This means  $\phi$  can change the ellipse a hyperplane.



# **Graphical Representation**







# **Graphical Representation**

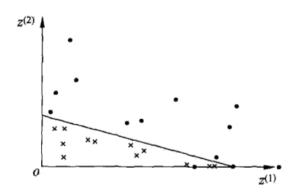




Figure: Hyperplane boundary

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### Mathematical Meaning





# Map Function and Kernel

Consider the optimization function

$$Q(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_j y_j (x_i \cdot x_j) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i$$

After the mapping  $\phi$ , the function will be

$$Q(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j (\phi(x_i) \cdot \phi(x_j)) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i$$



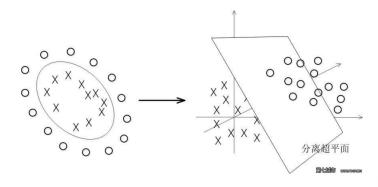
# Map Function and Kernel

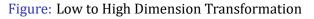
Let  $K(x_i, x_i) = \phi(x_i) \cdot \phi(x_i)$ , we can get the ultimate form

$$Q(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_j y_j K(x_i, x_j) - \sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i$$

- It is widely accepted that  $K(\cdot, \cdot)$  is much easier to compute than  $\phi(\cdot)$ .
- One application is to make non-separable data separable in a higher-dimension linear space without figuring out  $\phi$

### **Graphical Representation**







#### Remark

After the change, the decision function will be

$$f(x) = sign(\sum_{i=1}^{N} \alpha_i^* y_i K(x_i, x) + b^*)$$

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## Ensemble Learning: Bagging





# Why ensemble?

### Example

Consider an ensemble of 25 independent binary classifiers, each of which has an error rate of  $\epsilon=0.35$ , then the total error rate of the ensemble classifier is

$$e_{ensemble} = \sum_{i=13}^{25} {25 \choose i} \epsilon^{i} (1-\epsilon)^{25-i} = 0.06$$

Although the assumption is hard to reach out, the improvements are usually significant when models posse slight correlations.



# General Algorithm

#### Algorithm 5.5 General procedure for ensemble method.

- Let D denote the original training data, k denote the number of base classifiers, and T be the test data.
- 2: for i = 1 to k do
- 3: Create training set,  $D_i$  from D.
  - 4: Build a base classifier  $C_i$  from  $D_i$ .
- 5: end for
- 6: for each test record  $x \in T$  do
- 7:  $C^*(\mathbf{x}) = Vote(C_1(\mathbf{x}), C_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, C_k(\mathbf{x}))$
- 8: end for





# Bagging

#### Algorithm 5.6 Bagging algorithm.

- 1: Let k be the number of bootstrap samples.
- 2: for i = 1 to k do
- 3: Create a bootstrap sample of size  $N, D_i$ .
- 4: Train a base classifier  $C_i$  on the bootstrap sample  $D_i$ .
- 5: end for
- 6:  $C^*(x) = \operatorname{argmax} \sum_i \delta(C_i(x) = y)$ .

 $\{\delta(\cdot)=1 \text{ if its argument is true and 0 otherwise}\}.$ 

Approximately 63% of the data will be sampled into the dataset for training by bootstrap.

### Explanation

$$\frac{1}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n^2} + \frac{(n-1)^2}{n^3} + \dots = ?$$



# One Practical Example

Table 5.4. Example of data set used to construct an ensemble of bagging classifiers.

	$\boldsymbol{x}$	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1
1	y	1	1	1	-1	-1	$\overline{-1}$	-1	1	1	1

Except for bagging, we will also use it to illustrate the process of Adaboost.



# One Practical example

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x 0.1 0.2 0.5 0.5 0.5 0.7 0.7 0.8 0.9 1 x <= 0.75 ==> y = -1 y 1 1 1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 1 1 1 1 x > 0.75 ==> y = 1



 $x \le 0.75 \Longrightarrow y = -1$  $x > 0.75 \Longrightarrow y = 1$  SVM:
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# **Ensemble Learning: Boosting**





# Boosting

#### Definition

An iterative procedure used to adaptively change the distribution of training examples so that the basic classifiers will focus on examples that are hard to classify.

 Note that boosting classifier tries to focus on the training examples wrongly classified, it is susceptible to overfitting.

## Adaboost

#### Algorithm 5.7 AdaBoost algorithm.

```
1: \mathbf{w} = \{w_j = 1/N \mid j = 1, 2, ..., N\}. {Initialize the weights for all N examples.}
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- 2: Let k be the number of boosting rounds.
- 3: for i = 1 to k do
  - Create training set D<sub>i</sub> by sampling (with replacement) from D according to w.
- 5: Train a base classifier  $C_i$  on  $D_i$ .
- Apply C<sub>i</sub> to all examples in the original training set, D.
- 7:  $\epsilon_i = \frac{1}{N} \left[ \sum_i w_i \ \delta(C_i(x_i) \neq y_i) \right]$  {Calculate the weighted error.}
- 8: if  $\epsilon_i > 0.5$  then
- 9:  $\mathbf{w} = \{w_j = 1/N \mid j = 1, 2, ..., N\}$ . {Reset the weights for all N examples.}
- Go back to Step 4.
- 11: end if
- 12:  $\alpha_i = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1-\epsilon_i}{\epsilon_i}$ .
- 13: Update the weight of each example according to Equation 5.69.
- 14: end for
- 15:  $C^*(\mathbf{x}) = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{j=1}^T \alpha_j \delta(C_j(\mathbf{x}) = y)$ .



## Adaboost

### Equation 5.69

$$w_i^{(j+1)} = rac{w_i^{(j)}}{Z_j} imes egin{cases} \exp^{-lpha_j} & ext{if } \mathcal{C}_j(x_i) = y_i \ \exp^{lpha_j} & ext{if } \mathcal{C}_j(x_i) 
eq y_i \end{cases}$$

where  $Z_i$  is the normalization factor.



# Adaboost: A Practical Example

#### Boosting Round 1:

x	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	1
y	1	-1	-1	-1	7	-1	7	7	1	1

#### Boosting Round 2:

x	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
у	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

#### **Boosting Round 3:**

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x	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7		
у	1	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1		

#### (a) Training records chosen during boosting

Round	x=0.1	x=0.2	x=0.3	x=0.4	x=0.5	x=0.6	x=0.7	x=0.8	x=0.9	x=1.0
1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2	0.311	0.311	0.311	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01



# Some Analytical Results

#### Remark

$$e_{ ext{ensemble}} \leq \prod_{i} [\sqrt{\epsilon_i (1 - \epsilon_i)}]$$

where  $\epsilon_i$  is the training error.

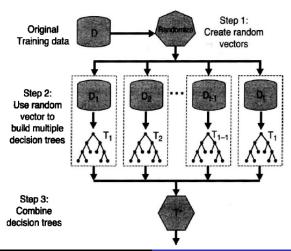
#### Remark

$$e_{\text{ensemble}} \leq \prod_{i} [\sqrt{1 - 4\gamma_i^2}] \leq \exp(-2\sum_{i} \gamma_i^2)$$

where  $\gamma_i = 0.5 - \epsilon_i$ 



## Random Forests





- A class of ensemble methods designed for decision trees.
- Each tree is generated based on values of an independent set of random vectors sampled from a fixed probability distribution.
- Usually, we randomly select F input features to split at each node of the decision tree. Empirically  $F = \log_2 d + 1$ , where d is the number of features.
- When d is relatively low, we usually expand the features by linear combination.

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## \*Class Imbalance Problem

We will not cover this section, but some concepts, such as **ROC curve**, **Alternative Metrics**, are in fact very important in data engineering.



The Generalization Error of Random Fores

## Section 6

# Supplementary





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### The Generalization Error of Random Forest





## The Generalization Error of Random Forest

#### Theorem 2

$$E \le \bar{\rho}(1 - s^2)/s^2$$

where *E* is the error.

Before we introduce the meanings of unknown variables, we introduce some concepts, then leading to the proof.

### **Definition: Margin Function**

$$mg(\mathbf{X}, Y) = av_k I(h_k(\mathbf{X}) = Y) - \max_{j \neq Y} av_k I(h_k(\mathbf{X}) = j)$$

where  $h_k(\mathbf{X}) = h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta_k)$ , where  $\Theta_k$  is the parameter space.

### **Explanation**

This function measures the extent to which the average number of votes at  $\mathbf{X}$ , Y for the right class exceeds the average vote for any other one. Here  $\mathbf{X}$ , Y is the training set.



#### **Definition: Generalization Error**

$$PE^* = P_{\mathbf{X},Y}(mg(\mathbf{X},Y) < 0)$$

### **Explanation**

Here, this means the values are sampled from the space  $(\mathbf{X}, Y)$ , not only the training set.

#### Lemma

As the number of tree increases, we have

$$PE^* \rightarrow P_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Y}}(P_{\Theta}(h(\mathbf{X},\Theta) = \mathbf{Y}) - \max_{i \neq \mathbf{Y}} P_{\Theta}(h(\mathbf{X},\Theta) = \mathbf{j}) < 0)$$

almost surely.



## **Definition: Margin Function 2**

$$mr(\mathbf{X}, Y) = P_{\Theta}(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = Y) - \max_{j \neq Y} P_{\Theta}(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = j)$$
$$= E_{\Theta}[I(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = Y) - I(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = \hat{j}(\mathbf{X}, Y))]$$

where

$$\hat{j}(\mathbf{X}, Y) = \arg\max_{j \neq Y} P_{\Theta}(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = j)$$

### Definition: Strength

$$s = E_{\mathbf{X},Y}mr(\mathbf{X},Y)$$





### By Chebyshev Inequality we have

$$PE^* \leq \operatorname{var}(mr)/s^2$$

#### **Explanation**

$$PE^* = P_{X,Y}(mr(X, Y) - s < -s), then?$$

## Lemma: Chebyshev Inequality

$$P(|X - E(X)| > \epsilon) \le \frac{D(X)}{\epsilon^2}$$



### **Definition: Raw Margin Function**

$$rmg(\Theta, \mathbf{X}, Y) = I(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = Y) - I(h(\mathbf{X}, \Theta) = \hat{j}(\mathbf{X}, Y))$$

From this definition we could get

$$mr(\mathbf{X}, Y) = E_{\Theta}[rmg(\Theta, \mathbf{X}, Y)]$$

That is to say

$$mr(\mathbf{X}, Y)^2 = E_{\Theta, \Theta'}[rmg(\Theta, \mathbf{X}, Y)rmg(\Theta', \mathbf{X}, Y)]$$

### Explanation

$$[E_{\Theta}f(\Theta)]^2 = E_{\Theta,\Theta'}f(\Theta)f(\Theta')$$

when  $\Theta$ ,  $\Theta'$  are independent.



#### Note that

$$\begin{split} var(mr) &= E_{\Theta,\Theta'}(\textit{Cov}_{\mathbf{X},\textit{Y}}rmg(\Theta,\mathbf{X},\textit{Y})rmg(\Theta',\mathbf{X},\textit{Y})) \\ \\ &= E_{\Theta,\Theta'}(\rho(\Theta,\Theta')sd(\Theta)sd(\Theta')) = \bar{\rho}(E_{\Theta}sd(\Theta))^2 \leq \bar{\rho}E_{\Theta}var(\Theta) \end{split}$$

### Explanation

$$\begin{split} [E(X)]^2 &\leq E(X^2) \quad \textit{Cov}_{\mathbf{X},Y}(\textit{rmg}(\Theta,\mathbf{X},Y)\textit{rmg}(\Theta',\mathbf{X},Y)) \\ &= E_{\mathbf{X},Y}(\textit{rmg}(\Theta,\mathbf{X},Y)\textit{rmg}(\Theta',\mathbf{X},Y)) - \\ &E_{\mathbf{X},Y}(\textit{rmg}(\Theta,\mathbf{X},Y))E_{\mathbf{X},Y}(\textit{rmg}(\Theta',\mathbf{X},Y)) \end{split}$$





Here we define

$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{E_{\Theta,\Theta'}(\rho(\Theta,\Theta')sd(\Theta)sd(\Theta'))}{E_{\Theta,\Theta'}(sd(\Theta)sd(\Theta'))}$$

Now we have

$$E_{\Theta}var(\Theta) \leq E_{\Theta}(E_{\mathbf{X},Y}rmg(\Theta,\mathbf{X},Y))^2 - s^2 \leq 1 - s^2$$

Combine with all together, we could obtain our results.



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### Subsection 2

## **Xgboost: An Introduction**





# Learning Objective

For a given dataset with *n* examples and *m* features  $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}(|\mathcal{D}| = n, \mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^m, y_i \in \mathbb{R})$ , we have

$$\hat{y}_i = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_{k=1}^K f_k(\mathbf{x}_i), f_k \in \mathcal{F}$$

Here  $\mathcal{F} = \{f(\mathbf{x}) = w_{g(\mathbf{x})}\}(g : \mathbb{R}^m \to T, w \in \mathbb{R}^T)$  is the CART space.

• *T* is the number of leaves in the tree, *q* is the tree structure, e.g.  $q_1(\mathbf{x}) = 1$  means for tree 1,  $\mathbf{x}$  belongs to leaf 1. Each  $f_{\nu}$  corresponds to unique q, w.

# Learning Objective

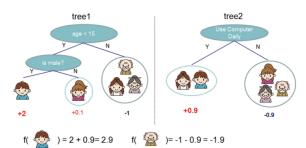


Figure 1: Tree Ensemble Model. The final prediction for a given example is the sum of predictions from each tree.



# Learning Objective

We would like to minimize the following regularized objective.

$$\mathcal{L}(\phi) = \sum_{i} l(\hat{y}_{i}, y_{i}) + \sum_{k} \Omega(f_{k})$$

where *l* is the difference function.  $\Omega(f) = \gamma T + \frac{1}{2}\lambda ||w||^2$ 

All differentible!



# **Gradient Tree Boosting**

For functions are used as parameters, traditional optimization techniques could not be used. Instead, we exploit greedy algorithm, miminizing

$$\mathcal{L}^{(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} l(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)} + f_t(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \Omega(f_t)$$

By Taylor Development we have

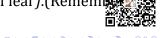
$$\mathcal{L}^{(t)} \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{n} [l(y_i, \hat{y}^{(t-1)}) + g_i f_t(\mathbf{x}_i) + \frac{1}{2} h_i f_t^2(\mathbf{x}_i)] + \Omega(f_t)$$

where  $g_i$ ,  $h_i$  are corresponding partial derivatives.

Remove the term independent of time step *t*, we have

$$\begin{split} & \mathcal{L}^{\tilde{t}(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [g_{i}f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}) + \frac{1}{2}h_{i}f_{t}^{2}(\mathbf{x}_{i})] + \Omega(f_{t}) \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [g_{i}f_{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}) + \frac{1}{2}h_{i}f_{t}^{2}(\mathbf{x}_{i})] + \gamma T + \frac{1}{2}\lambda \sum_{j=1}^{T} w_{j}^{2} \\ & = \sum_{j=1}^{T} [(\sum_{i \in I_{j}} g_{i})w_{j} + \frac{1}{2}(\sum_{i \in I_{j}} h_{i} + \lambda)w_{j}^{2}] + \gamma T \end{split}$$

where  $I_i = \{i | q(\mathbf{x}_i) = j\}$ , the instance set of leaf j.(Remem the definition of  $\mathcal{F}$ )



Optimization: We could get our final results.

## Remark: Optimized weights

$$w_j^* = -\frac{\sum_{i \in I_j} g_i}{\sum_{i \in I_L} h_i + \lambda}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{split} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_L} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_L} h_i + \lambda} + \frac{(\sum_{i \in I_R} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I_R} h_i + \lambda} - \frac{(\sum_{i \in I} g_i)^2}{\sum_{i \in I} h_i + \lambda} \right] - \gamma$$

Python Code: Click Here



# Algorithm

#### Algorithm 1: Exact Greedy Algorithm for Split Finding

```
Input: I, instance set of current node
Input: d, feature dimension
qain \leftarrow 0
G \leftarrow \sum_{i \in I} g_i, H \leftarrow \sum_{i \in I} h_i
for k = 1 to m do
      G_L \leftarrow 0, \ H_L \leftarrow 0
     for j in sorted(I, by \mathbf{x}_{ik}) do
           G_L \leftarrow G_L + q_i, \ H_L \leftarrow H_L + h_i
         G_R \leftarrow G - G_L, \ H_R \leftarrow H - H_L

score \leftarrow \max(score, \frac{G_L^2}{H_L + \lambda} + \frac{G_R^2}{H_R + \lambda} - \frac{G^2}{H + \lambda})
      end
end
Output: Split with max score
```





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#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR LISTENING!

