Boosting a decision stump

6 questions

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1. Are you using GraphLab Create? Please make sure that

1. You are using version 1.8.3 of GraphLab Create. Verify the version of GraphLab Create by running

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graphlab.version
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inside the notebook. If your GraphLab version is incorrect, see this post to install version 1.8.3. **This assignment is not guaranteed to work with other versions of GraphLab Create.**

2. You are using the IPython notebook named module-8-boosting-assignment-2-blank.ipynb obtained from the associated reading.

This question is ungraded. Check one of the three options to confirm.

- (•) I confirm that I am using the right version of GraphLab Create and the right IPython notebook.
- ( ) I am using SFrame and NumPy only.
- ( ) I am using other tools, and I understand that I may not be able to complete some of the quiz questions.

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2. Recall that the **classification error for unweighted data** is defined as follows:

$$\text{classification error} = \frac{\#\text{ mistakes}}{\#\text{ all data points}}$$

Meanwhile, the **weight of mistakes for weighted data** is given by

$$\text{WM}(\alpha, \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \times 1[y_i \neq \hat{y}_i].$$

If we set the weights **α=1** for all data points, how is the weight of mistakes **WM(α,ŷ)** related to the classification error?

- ( ) **WM(α,ŷ)** = [classification error] * [total weight of all data points]
- ( ) **WM(α,ŷ)** = [classification error] * [weight of correctly classified data points]
- (•) **WM(α,ŷ)** = N * [classification error]
- ( ) **WM(α,ŷ)** = 1 - [classification error]

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3. Refer to section **Example: Training a weighted decision tree**.

Will you get the same model as **small_data_decision_tree_subset_20** if you trained a decision tree with only 20 data points from the set of points in **subset_20**?

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No

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4. Refer to the 10-component ensemble of tree stumps trained with Adaboost.

As each component is trained sequentially, are the component weights monotonically decreasing, monotonically increasing, or neither?

- (•) Monotonically decreasing
- ( ) Monotonically increasing
- ( ) Neither

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5. Which of the following best describes a **general trend in accuracy** as we add more and more components? Answer based on the 30 components learned so far.

- ( ) Training error goes down monotonically, i.e. the training error reduces with each iteration but never increases.
- (•) Training error goes down in general, with some ups and downs in the middle.
- ( ) Training error goes up in general, with some ups and downs in the middle.
- ( ) Training error goes down in the beginning, achieves the best error, and then goes up sharply.
- ( ) None of the above

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6. From this plot (with 30 trees), is there massive overfitting as the # of iterations increases?

- ( ) Yes
- (•) No
