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CS567 Homework #3

1.1) For T_1 its left child has 150 examples in class A and 50 in class B. This implies its right child has 50 examples in class A and 150 in class B. For T_2 the left child has 0 examples in class A and 100 in class B. This implies its right child has 200 examples in class A and 100 in class B. Entropy is given by the following formula: $-\sum_{k=1}^{C} p(Y=k)\log\big(p(Y=k)\big)$. For T_1, $P(A|\text{left}) = \frac{3}{4}$, $P(B|\text{left}) = \frac{1}{4}$. Still for the first tree we have that $P(A|\text{right}) = \frac{1}{4}$, $P(B|\text{right}) = \frac{3}{4}$. Thus, for T_1 we have that entropy of the left branch is $-(\frac{3}{4}\log\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{4}\log\frac{1}{4})$ and the entropy of the right branch is $-(\frac{1}{4}\log\frac{1}{4}+\frac{3}{4}\log\frac{3}{4})$. Now the entropy of T_1 is ½*(entropy of left branch) + 1/2 *(entropy of right branch). As the two branches are equal, the entropy of T_1 = entropy of left branch = entropy of right branch = 0.56. For T_2 we have that $P(A|\text{left}) = 0$, $P(B|\text{left}) = 1$. On the right branch we have $P(A|\text{right}) = \frac{2}{3}$, $P(B|\text{right}) = \frac{1}{3}$. For T_2 we have the entropy of the left branch is $-(0\log 0 + 1\log 1) = 0$ and the entropy of the right branch is $-(\frac{2}{3}\log\frac{2}{3}+\frac{1}{3}\log\frac{1}{3})$. For T_2 we have that its entropy is equal to ¼ * (entropy of the left branch) + ¾ * (entropy of the right branch) = $\frac{1}{4}*0+\frac{-3}{4}*\left(\frac{2}{3}\log\frac{2}{3}+\frac{1}{3}\log\frac{1}{3}\right) = 0.48$. Gini impurity is given by $\sum p(Y=k)*\big(1-p(Y=k)\big)$. For T_1 on the left branch we have $P(A|\text{left})=\frac{3}{4}$, $P(B|\text{left})=\frac{1}{4}$. Therefore, for this branch the Gini impurity is $\frac{3}{4}*\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{4}*\frac{3}{4}=\frac{3}{8}$. As this tree displays symmetry, the Gini impurity of the right branch is also $\frac{3}{8}$ and as the Gini impurity of T_1 is ½ *(impurity of the left branch) + ½ *(impurity of the right branch) = $\frac{1}{2}*\frac{3}{8}+\frac{1}{2}*\frac{3}{8}=\frac{3}{8}$. For T_2 the Gini impurity of the left branch is $0*(1-0)+1*(1-1)=0$. For the right branch the Gini is $\frac{2}{3}*\frac{1}{3}+\frac{1}{3}*\frac{2}{3}=\frac{4}{9}$. The total Gini for $T_2 = \frac{1}{4}*0+\frac{3}{4}*\frac{4}{9}=\frac{1}{3}$. We will now calculate each tree's classification error. T_1 assigns the left branch to A and the right to B, so on the left side $\frac{50}{200}=\frac{1}{4}$ are misclassified. On the right branch $\frac{50}{200}=\frac{1}{4}$ are misclassified so the classification error for $T_1 = \frac{1}{2}*\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{2}*\frac{1}{4}=\frac{1}{4}=0.25$. For T_2 the classification error on the left branch is 0, and on the right branch is $\frac{1}{3}$ so the total classification error of $T_2 = \frac{1}{4}*0+\frac{3}{4}*\frac{1}{3}=\frac{1}{4}=0.25$.

1.2) For T_1 we have entropy = 0.56, Gini impurity is 0.38 and classification error is 0.25. For T_2 entropy is 0.48, Gini impurity is 0.33 and classification error is 0.25. Based on classification error, the two trees are of the same quality, but using entropy and Gini impurity as metrics, causes T_2 to come out ahead. Therefore T_2 is of higher quality.

2.1) Let $L(\beta_t) = \varepsilon_t\left(e^{\beta_t}-e^{-\beta_t}\right)+e^{-\beta_t}$. As L is a convex function, its local minimum is also its global minimum. We will find the local, and therefore global minimum. Taking the derivative and setting it equal to 0, we get that $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta_t} = \varepsilon_t\left(e^{\beta_t}+e^{-\beta_t}\right)-e^{-\beta_t} = 0$. We will perform a change of variables and let

$\beta_t = \ln z$. Thus, $0 = \varepsilon_t\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right) - \frac{1}{z} \Rightarrow 0 = \varepsilon_t(z^2+1) - 1$. Rearranging, we get $z^2 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_t} - 1 \Rightarrow z = \pm\sqrt{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_t} - 1}$. Now, as $z = \beta_t, \Rightarrow \beta_t^* = \ln\sqrt{\frac{1}{\varepsilon_t} - 1} = \frac{1}{2}\ln\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_t} - 1\right) = \frac{1}{2}\ln\frac{1-\varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t}$. The second derivative test confirms this is indeed a minimum and as the local minimum of a convex function is the global minimum, we have shown that $\beta_t^* = \frac{1}{2}\ln\frac{1-\varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t}$.

2.2) We seek to prove that $\sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_{t+1}(n) = \frac{1}{2}$. $\varepsilon_1 = \sum_{n:y_n\neq h_1(x_n)} \frac{1}{N} = \frac{\#(\text{examples misclassified by } h_1)}{N}$ where the notation #(…) means "number of…" Similarly, $1 - \varepsilon_1 = \frac{\#(\text{examples correctly classified by } h_1)}{N}$ and that $\beta_1 = \frac{1}{2}\log\frac{\#(\text{examples correctly classified by } h_1)}{\#(\text{examples incorrectly classified by } h_1)}$.

Now, $\sum_{n:y_n\neq h_1(x_n)} D_2(n) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} * e^{\beta_1} * \#(\text{examples misclassified by } h_1)}{\frac{\#(\text{examples correctly classified})}{N} * e^{-\beta_1} + \frac{\#(\text{examples incorrectly classified})}{N} * e^{\beta_1}} = \frac{\varepsilon_1 * e^{\beta_1}}{(1-\varepsilon_1) * e^{-\beta_1} + \varepsilon_1 * e^{\beta_1}}$. Multiplying top and bottom by β_1 we see that the preceding equation simplifies to the following expression: $\frac{\varepsilon_1 * e^{2\beta_1}}{(1-\varepsilon_1) + \varepsilon_1 * e^{2\beta_1}}$. Remembering that $\beta_1 = \frac{1}{2}\ln\frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1}$, so that $e^{2\beta_1} = \frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1}$ and our preceding quotient will be reduced to $\frac{\varepsilon_1 * \frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1}}{(1-\varepsilon_1) + \varepsilon_1 * \frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{\varepsilon_1}} = \frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{(1-\varepsilon_1)+(1-\varepsilon_1)} = \frac{1-\varepsilon_1}{2(1-\varepsilon_1)} = \frac{1}{2}$. This demonstrates the base case. We will now assume the inductive hypothesis, that $\sum_{n:h_{t-1}(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n) = \frac{1}{2}$. Then, $\sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_{t+1}(n) = \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} {(D_t(n) * e^{-\beta_t y_n h_t(x_n)})}\Big/{(\sum_{n'=1}^{N} D_t(n') * e^{-\beta_t y'_n h_t(x'_n)})}$. As we are summing over the cases where $h_t(x_n) \neq y_n$, we can see that the coefficient of β_t in the numerator will never have a minus sign in front. This allows us to simplify the expression to $e^{\beta_t} * (\sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} {D_t(n)}\Big/{(\sum_{n'=1}^{N} D_t(n') * e^{-\beta_t y'_n h_t(x'_n)})}) = \frac{e^{\beta_t} * \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n)}{\sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n) * e^{\beta_t} + \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)=y_n} D_t(n) * e^{-\beta_t}}$. Now, using the inductive hypothesis and substituting back in for β_t, ε_t as well as recognizing that $e^{2\beta_t} = \frac{1-\varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t}$ and that $\sum_n D_t(n) = 1$, we can now simplify the quotient to $\frac{e^{2\beta_t} * \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n)}{e^{2\beta_t} * \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n) + \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)=y_n} D_t(n)}$, and now by plugging in the values and simplifying further we reduce the quotient to the following form: $\frac{\frac{1-\varepsilon_t}{\varepsilon_t} * \varepsilon_t}{(1-\varepsilon_t)+(1-\varepsilon_t)}$ as $\sum_n D_t(n) = \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)\neq y_n} D_t(n) + \sum_{n:h_t(x_n)=y_n} D_t(n)$ and the first sum on the right hand side of the preceding expression is ε_t. Thus, our quotient reduces to $\frac{1-\varepsilon_t}{(1-\varepsilon_t)+(1-\varepsilon_t)} = \frac{1}{2}$, and therefore the result holds for all t.

3.1) We would like to solve $\underset{q}{\text{argmax}} \sum_k a_k \ln q_k$, such that $q_k \geq 0, \sum q_k = 1$. This is equivalent to finding $\underset{q}{\text{argmin}} - \sum_k a_k \ln q_k$ such that $-q_k \leq 0, \sum q_k - 1 = 0$. The Lagrangian of this expression $L(q, \alpha, \beta)$is given by $L = -\sum_k a_k \ln q_k - \sum_k \alpha_k q_k + \beta(\sum_k q_k - 1)$ and the solution is found by the values that satisfy, $\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} = 0, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} = 0, \alpha_k \geq 0, \alpha_k q_k = 0, \nabla_\alpha L \leq 0$. Before differentiating, note that 0 is not a possible solution as it is not in the domain of the function due to $\ln 0$ being undefined. Now, taking

$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k}$ and setting it equal to zero, we have $\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} = \frac{-a_k}{q_k} - \alpha_k + \beta = 0$. Multiplying through by q_k we see that $-a_k - \alpha_k q_k + \beta q_k = 0$, and note that $\alpha_k = 0$ for all k as $q_k \neq 0$. This implies that $\beta q_k = a_k \Rightarrow q_k = \frac{a_k}{\beta}$. Now, as $\sum_k q_k = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_k a_k = \beta$ and using this to substitute back in to the expression for q_k we have $q_k = \frac{a_k}{\sum_k a_k}$.

3.2) Here we would like to solve the following problem: $\underset{q}{\text{argmax}} \sum_k (q_k b_k - q_k \ln q_k)$, such that $q_k \geq 0, \sum q_k = 1$. This is the same as finding $\underset{q}{\text{argmin}} \sum_k (q_k \ln q_k - b_k q_k)$ such that $-q_k \leq 0, \sum q_k = 1$. We will now construct the Lagrangian. However, by the same reasoning as from problem 3.1 we see that the α_k are all zero. So, we have $L(q, \beta) = \sum_k (q_k \ln q_k - b_k q_k) + \beta(\sum_k q_k - 1)$. Taking the derivative with respect to q_i, and setting it equal to zero, we have $\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = \frac{q_i}{q_i} + \ln q_i - b_i + \beta = 0$. Simplifying, we have $\ln q_i = b_i - \beta - 1 \Rightarrow q_i = e^{b_i - \beta - 1}$. Note that this is equal to $e^{-\beta-1} * e^{b_i}$, which, as $e^{-\beta-1}$ is a constant, which we can call C, is equal to Ce^{b_i}. Again noting that $\sum_k q_k = 1 \Rightarrow C \sum e^{b_i} = 1$ so we can conclude that $C = \frac{1}{\sum e^{b_i}}$ and therefore, $q_k = \frac{e^{b_k}}{\sum_i e^{b_i}}$.

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