Machine Leanring Theory and Applications: third lecture

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Framework and notation

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$$(X_i, Y_i) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \qquad i = 1, \ldots, n$$

independent randomly drawn from P over $X \times \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Z}$.

- For a random pair $(X, Y) \sim P$, the goal is to predict Y with the help of X.
- For a prediction $\hat{Y} = g(X)$ based on the prediction rule $g: X \to \mathcal{Y}$, we measure the incurred error by

$$R_P(g) = \mathbf{E}_P[\ell(Y, \hat{Y})],$$

where $\ell: \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{Y} \to \mathbb{R}$ is a loss function.

k-nearest neighbors

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- For a new $x \in X$, we look for k nearest neighbors of x among X_1, \ldots, X_n .
- Let us denote these neighbors by X_{i_1}, \ldots, X_{i_k} .
- ▶ We use the corresponding labels Y_{i_1}, \ldots, Y_{i_k} for predicting the label of x.
- ▶ In regression, the prediction is the average of Y_{i_1}, \ldots, Y_{i_k} .
- In binary classification, the prediction is the most frequent label among Y_h, \ldots, Y_h .

Partition based methods

- Principle: Divide and conquer.
- ▶ Let $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_M\}$ be a partition of \mathcal{X} :

$$X = \bigsqcup_{m=1}^{M} A_m$$
.

Let

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}} = \Big\{ g: \mathcal{X}
ightarrow \mathcal{Y}: \forall \ m \ g \ ext{is constant on } A_m \Big\}.$$

The minimizer of the empirical risk is:

$$\widehat{g}_{n,\mathcal{A}} \in \arg\min_{g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}}} \widehat{R}_n(g) = \arg\min_{g \in \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell(Y_i, g(X_i)),$$

Binary Classification and least squares regression

Assume that $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathbb{R}$ and define

$$N_m = \sum_{i=1}^n 1\!\!1_{A_m}(X_i)$$
 and $\overline{Y}_{A_m} = \frac{1}{N_m} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i 1\!\!1_{A_m}(X_i).$

For binary classification with $\mathcal{Y} = \{0, 1\}$ and the loss $\ell(y, y') = \mathbb{1}(y \neq y')$, any minimizer of the empirical risk satisfies

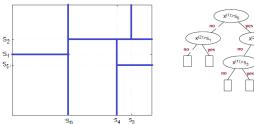
$$\forall m = 1, \dots, M; \ \forall x \in A_m \qquad \widehat{g}_{n,\mathcal{A}}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if} \quad \overline{Y}_{A_m} > 1/2, \\ 0, & \text{if} \quad \overline{Y}_{A_m} < 1/2. \end{cases}$$

For regression with $\mathcal{Y}=\mathbb{R}$ and squared loss $\ell(y,y')=(y-y')^2$,

$$\widehat{g}_{n,\mathcal{A}}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \overline{Y}_{A_m} 1\!\!1_{A_m}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left\{ \frac{1}{N_m} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i 1\!\!1_{A_m}(X_i) \right\} 1\!\!1_{A_m}(x).$$

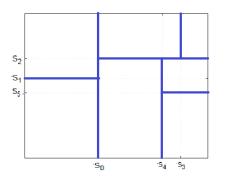
The goal : construct a partition \mathcal{A} de \mathcal{X} .

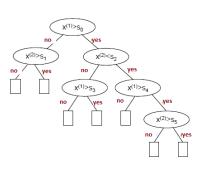
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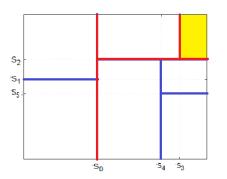


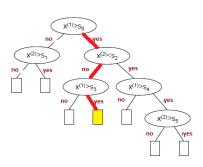
Principle: Each node corresponds to a subset of the feature space X.

- the root corresponds to χ ,
- ▶ if A is the set corresponding to a node and if $A^{(1)}, \ldots, A^{(k)}$ are the parts corresponding to the descendents of this node, then $A^{(1)}, \ldots, A^{(k)}$ form a partition of A.

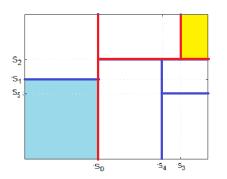


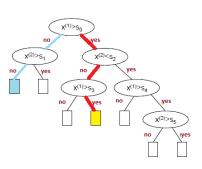


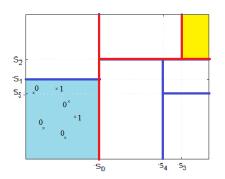


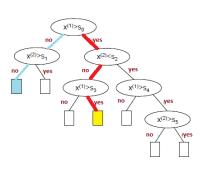


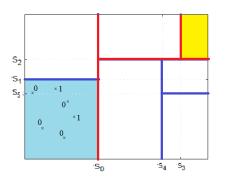
Generalities

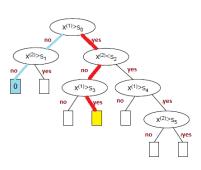












Decision trees: construction

- 1. For every node, we look for the variable and the test (of type x=a, x>a, x<a,...) that offers the best split of the sample into homogeneous parts,
- 2. We create the new nodes and assign to each node a part of the sample.
- 3. We repeat this procedure until the stopping rule is attained.
- 4. We perform a pruning in order to eliminate "useless" branches.

The most famous algorithms: CART, C4.5, C5.0,...

CART: classification and regression trees

- ▶ 1984, L. Breiman, J.H. Friedman, R.A. Olshen et C.J. Stone,
- among the most frequently used and the most accurate,
- can be found in: SAS, R, S-Plus, ...
- binary : each node is split into two new nodes,
- treats missing values,
- handle any type of variable,
- separation criteria :
 - Gini index for the classification,
 - least squares for the regression.

Binary Classification: more details

▶ Gini index of the node corresponding to $A \subset X$:

$$G(A) = 1 - \overline{Y}_A^2 - (1 - \overline{Y}_A)^2$$
 $[0 \le G(A) \le 0.5, \ \forall A]$

Idea: for a good node $G(A) \approx 0$, while for a poor node $G(A) \approx 0.5$.

We assess the quality of a test of splitting of A into A₁ and A₂ by the homogeneity gain:

$$I_{G}(A_{1}, A_{2}) = G(A) - qG(A_{1}) - (1 - q)G(A_{2})$$

where $q = N_{A_1}/N_A$, the proportion of $X_i \in A$ that go to A_1 .

Among all the candidate partitions $\{A_1, A_2\}$ of A, we choose the one minimizing the gain of homogeneity.

Cross Validation

Input:

- training sample $\mathcal{D}_n = \{(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)\}$
- K prediction algorithms : $g^{(1)}, \ldots, g^{(k)}$
- an integer $V \in \{2, \ldots, n\}$

Output: index k^* of the algorithm with the smallest estimated error.

Algorithm:

- partition the set $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ into V well balanced parts B_1, \ldots, B_V ,
- $\forall (k, v) \in [1, K] \times [1, V]$, compute the predictor $g^{(k,v)}$ by applying the rule $g^{(k)}$ to the sub-sample $\mathcal{D}_n \setminus \{(X_i, Y_i) : i \in B_v\}$.
- define the estimated error of $g^{(k)}$ by

$$\mathbf{e}_k = rac{1}{V} \sum_{v=1}^V rac{1}{|B_v|} \sum_{i \in B_V} \ellig(Y_i, g^{(k,v)}(X_i)ig).$$

• set $k^* = \arg\min_k e_k$.

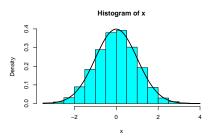
Starting with R

- ► Start R by clicking on R3863.10
- Go to File menu (on the top left corner of the R window), then click on New script. You will see a new window. Type all your code in this window and save it in a file, in order to be able to use it in the future.
- ▶ Type Ctrl S for saving the file. Give the file the extension . R and be sure to save it in a location that will be easy to find.
- Just to check that it works, type the following lines:

```
n = 10^4
x = rnorm(n)
hist(x, freq = FALSE, col ="cyan") # color cyan
curve(dnorm(x), add=TRUE, lwd=2) # line width 2
```

Starting with R

► Type Ctrl Athen Ctrl R in order to execute the code. If everything goes well, you will see the following plot



▶ Note that you can save the plot by going to the File menu and clicking on save as, then choosing the file format (pdf, pnd, jpeg,...

We start by calling the iris dataset

```
data(iris)
head(iris) #shows first six lines
summary(iris) #summary statistics
```

- You can type ?iris in order to read the description of the dataset.
- If you need to check or to modify the data, you can type edit (iris).

k-NN prediction

Prior to trying to predict the species of flowers, we split the dataset into two parts: training set and testing set.

```
train = iris[c(1:30,51:80,101:130),1:5]
test = iris[c(31:50,81:100,131:150),1:5]
```

- Thus, our goal is to use the first 90 data-points for predicting the species of the last 60 data-points.
- ► To perform prediction kNN prediction, we can type

```
library(class)
pred = knn(train[,1:4], test[,1:4], train[,5], k = 3)
# display the confusion matrix
table(pred,test[,5])
```

Decision tree

We can also use the decision trees for prediction: library(rpart)
rt = rpart(Species ~ ., data = train)

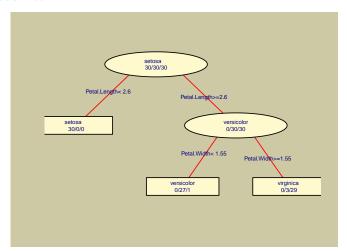
We can see the result :

```
par(lwd=2, col="red")
plot(rt, compress=TRUE)
```

A better result can be obtained by

```
install.packages("DMwR")
library(DMwR)
par(lwd=2, bg="lemonchiffon3")
prettyTree(rt,col="navy",bg="lemonchiffon")
```

Decision tree



Decision tree

- Predicted values on the test dataset can be obtained by pred.rt = predict(rt, test, type="class")
- One can display the confusion matrix: table (pred.rt, test[,5])
- Note that one can also get the predictions as probabilities of each class:

```
pred.rt1 = predict(rt, test, type="prob")
head(pred.rt1)
```

k-NN prediction and cross validation

- One can choose the value of k in k-NN by cross validation.
- ▶ The code of the next page performs 5-fold cross-validation to select k from the set $\{1, ..., 10\}$.
- ► The outut is something like this
 - > apply(cvpred,2,function(x) sum(class!=x))
 [1] 3 3 2 2 4 3 5 5 8 4

k-NN prediction and cross validation

```
fold = sample(rep(1:5, each=18))
cvpred = matrix(NA,nrow=90,ncol=10)
fold = sample(rep(1:5, each=18))
 for (k in 1:10)
 for (v in 1:5)
 sample1 = train[which(fold!=v),1:4]
 sample2 = train[which(fold==v),1:4]
 class1 = train[which(fold!=v),5]
 cvpred[which(fold==v),k] = knn(sample1,sample2,class1,k=k)
 class = as.numeric(train[,5])
apply(cvpred, 2, function(x) sum(class!=x))
```