

Assignment 5

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1 Exercise 2.8

(a) If there are D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k datasets and the learning algorithm is applied to produce hypothesis g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k then the average function for estimating x is $\bar{g} \approx \frac{1}{K} \sum_1^k g_k(x) = \frac{1}{K}g_1 + \frac{1}{K}g_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{K}g_k$. Since every g_i is under H and it is given that H is closed under linear combination, so $\frac{1}{K} \sum_1^k g_k(x)$ is also in H , or $\bar{g} \in H$.

(b) If H contains only two hypothesis $h_1 = g_1 = +1$ and $h_2 = g_2 = -1$, both with equal probability 0.5, then expected value, $\bar{g} = (+1) \times 0.5 + (-1) \times 0.5 = 0$, which is not in H .

(c) The binary classification cannot guarantee \bar{g} to be binary. If H contains only one binary hypothesis h_1 , then \bar{g} is also binary. But let's say H contains multiple binary hypotheses, then \bar{g} could be a fraction in the interval $(-1, 1)$, which is not binary.

2 Problem 2.14

(a) A hypothesis set H_i with finite VC dimension d_{vc} means that H_i can shatter at most d_{vc} points and H_i can have at most $2^{d_{vc}}$ dichotomies. So, $H = H_1 \cup \dots \cup H_k$ can have at most $K \times 2^{d_{vc}}$ dichotomies. Now, $K \times 2^{d_{vc}} \leq 2^{K \times d_{vc}}$.
So, $d_{VC}(H) \leq 2^{K \times d_{vc}} < 2^{K \times (d_{vc} + 1)}$

(b) Given, $2^l > 2Kl^{d_{vc}}$

For l datapoints, a hypothesis set H_i with d_{vc} can give at most $l^{d_{vc}} + 1$ dichotomies. so, $m_{H_i}(l) \leq l^{d_{vc}} + 1$. Therefore, for $H = H_1 \cup \dots \cup H_K$ we can write $m_H(l) \leq Kl^{d_{vc}} + K$. Since, l , d_{vc} and K are positive, so we may assume $Kl^{d_{vc}} \geq K$. So,

$$m_H(l) \leq 2Kl^{d_{vc}} \quad (1)$$

Given, $2^l > 2Kl^{d_{vc}}$, so replacing in the above inequality (1) we may write,

$$m_H(l) < 2^l$$

So, by definition, $d_{vc}(H) \leq l$

(c) From (a), $d_{vc} < K(d_{vc} + 1)$ and from (b) $d_{vc} \leq l$

Let us assume that $l = 7(d_{vc} + K)\log_2(Kd_{vc})$

From (b) it is given that

$$\begin{aligned} 2^l &> 2Kl^{d_{vc}} \\ 2^{7(d_{vc}+K)\log_2(Kd_{vc})} &> 2K[7(d_{vc}+K)\log_2(Kd_{vc})]^{d_{vc}} \\ (Kd_{vc})^{7(d_{vc}+K)} &> 2K[7(d_{vc}+K)\log_2(Kd_{vc})]^{d_{vc}} \end{aligned}$$

Taking \log_2 on both sides,

$$7d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) + 7K\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > 1 + \log_2 K + d_{vc}\log_2 7 + d_{vc}\log_2(dvc + K) + d_{vc}\log_2\log_2(Kdvc) \quad (2)$$

If we assume that $K > 1$, then we may write,

$$d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > d_{vc}\log_2\log_2(Kd_{vc}) \quad (3)$$

$$4d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > 1 \quad (4)$$

$$d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > \log_2(K) \quad (5)$$

$$d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) \geq d_{vc}\log_2(dvc + K) \quad (6)$$

Also, $d_{vc}\log_2 7 < d_{vc}\log_2 8 = 3dvc < 7K\log_2(Kdvc)$

So,

$$7K\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > d_{vc}\log_2 7 \quad (7)$$

Adding 3,4,5,6,7, inequalities, we get

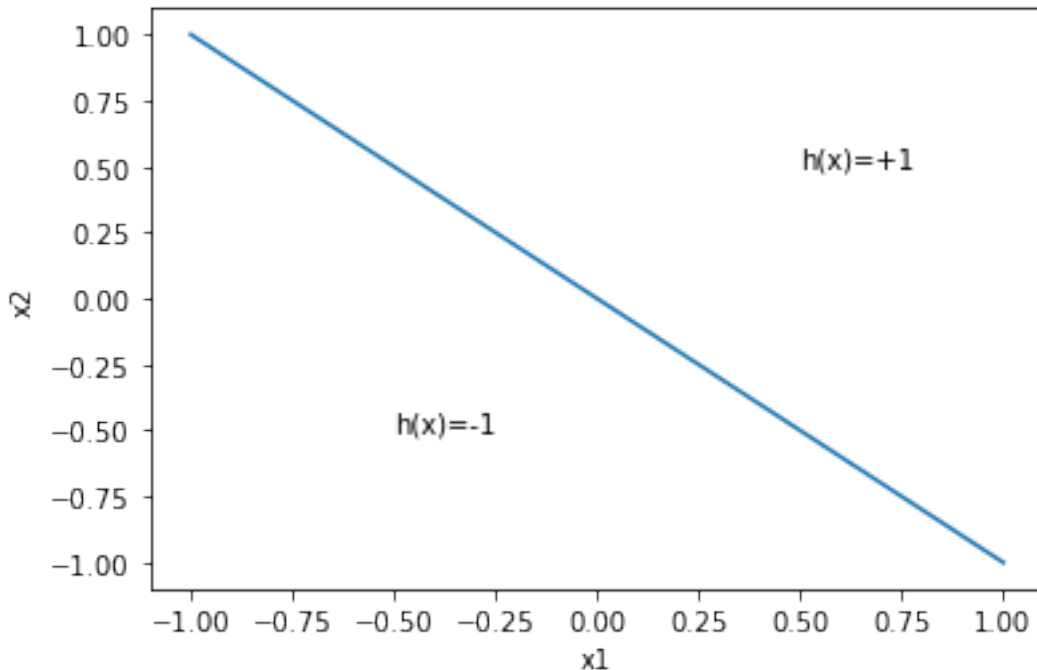
$$7d_{vc}\log_2(Kd_{vc}) + 7K\log_2(Kd_{vc}) > 1 + \log_2 K + d_{vc}\log_2 7 + d_{vc}\log_2(dvc + K) + d_{vc}\log_2\log_2(Kdvc)$$

So, Inequality in (2) is true. So, $2^l > 2Kl^{dvc}$ holds with $l = 7(dvc + K)\log_2(Kd_{vc})$

So, $d_{vc}(H) \leq \min(K(dvc + 1), 7(dvc + K)\log_2(Kd_{vc}))$

3 Problem 2.15

(a) An example of a monotonic classifier is shown below along with decision region where $h(x) = \text{sign}(x_1 + x_2)$:



(b) We can consider a set of N points generated by first choosing one point and, then generating the next point by increasing the first component and decreasing the second component until N points are obtained. In this case for any datapoint, $\mathbf{x}_i > \mathbf{x}_j$ does not hold for any i, j . So, our hypothesis set H is able to generate any dichotomy on N points. So, $m_H(N) = 2^N$. So, $d_{vc} = \infty$

4 Problem 2.24

(a) From the data set $D=[(x_1, x_1^2), (x_2, x_2^2)]$, we can obtain the function:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{g(x) - x1^2}{x1^2 - x2^2} &= \frac{x - x1}{x1 - x2} \\ \Rightarrow g(x) &= \frac{(x - x1)(x1^2 - x2^2)}{x1 - x2} + x1^2 \\ \Rightarrow g(x) &= (x1 + x2)x - x1x2\end{aligned}$$

So, we can find average function,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{g}(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 [(x1 + x2)x - x1x2] dx1 dx2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x2 x dx2 \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

(b) We will generate 1000 numbers in range $[-1,1]$ and fit $f(x)$. Then for 1000 times, we choose two numbers $x1$ and $x2$ randomly from $[-1,+1]$ again, and determine $g(x)$ using the equation in (a) and $\{(x1, x1^2), (x2, x2^2)\}$

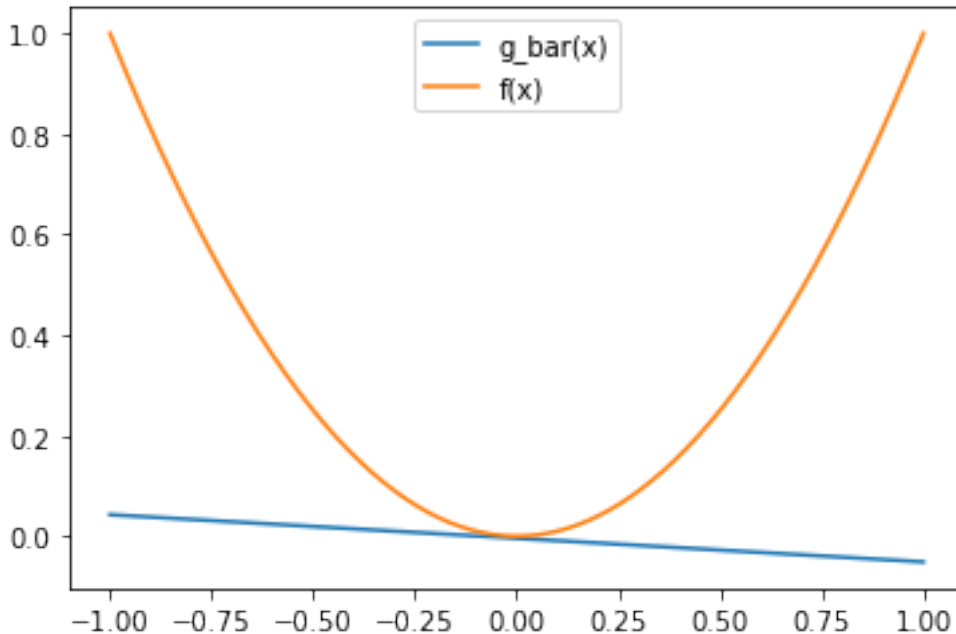
After getting 1000 g , we calculate \bar{g} using previously generated 1000 g functions, and calculate variance using this \bar{g} with respect to previously generated g functions.

We then calculate bias using calculated \bar{g} and target function $f(x)$. Finally, we compare $E[E_{out}]$ with bias + variance.

(c) After running the experiment, we get

$$\bar{g}(x) = -0.0469x - 0.0043$$

with bias= 0.2044, variance= 0.3324 and $E[E_{out}] = 0.5311$. Here $bias + variance = 0.5368 \approx E[E_{out}]$



(d) Here,

$$\begin{aligned}
bias &= E[(\bar{g}(x) - f(x))^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (0 - x^2)^2 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 x^4 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{5}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
variance &= E_x[E_D[(g^D(x) - \bar{g}(x))^2]] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 ((x_1 + x_2)x - x_1x_2)^2 dx_1 dx_2 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 [(x_1 + x_2)^2 x^2 - 2(x_1x_2(x_1 + x_2))x + (x_1x_2)^2] dx_1 dx_2 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 [(x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2)x^2 - 2(x_1^2x_2 + x_1x_2^2)x + (x_1x_2)^2] dx_1 dx_2 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 [(\frac{2}{3} + x_2^2)x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x_2 + \frac{2}{3}x_2^2] dx_2 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 [(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{x_2^3}{3})x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x_2^2 + \frac{2}{9}x_2^3]_{-1}^1 dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-1}^1 [(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3})x^2 + \frac{4}{9}] dx \\
&= \frac{1}{8} (\frac{16}{9} + \frac{8}{9}) = \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$E[E_{out}] = bias + variance = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{15}$$