

Homework III

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1. Analytical Part1. Jensen's inequality $f(E[X]) \leq E[f(X)]$ a. Suppose $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$ and $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_d)$. Prove that:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d z_i \right)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2$$

sol.

1. $f(x) = x^2$. We assume $x = x_i - z_i$, then we get $f(x) = (x_i - z_i)^2$ 2. $E[x] = x_i * P(x_i)$. We assume $x = x_i - z_i$, so we get

$$\begin{aligned} E[x] &= E[x_i - z_i] = \left(\frac{1}{d} * x_1 + \frac{1}{d} * x_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{d} * x_d \right) - \left(\frac{1}{d} * z_1 + \frac{1}{d} * z_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{d} * z_d \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d z_i = \frac{1}{d} \left(\sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \sum_{i=1}^d z_i \right). \end{aligned}$$

Next, we use Jensen's inequality $f(E[X]) \leq E[f(X)]$:

combine with the first and the second equations, we get:

$$f(x) = x^2 \rightarrow f(E[x]) = \left(\frac{1}{d} \left(\sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \sum_{i=1}^d z_i \right) \right)^2 \text{ and}$$

$$E[x] = E[x_i - z_i] \rightarrow E[f(x)] = E[(x_i - z_i)^2] = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d d(x_i - z_i)^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Finally, we get } f(E[X]) &\leq E[f(X)] = \left(\frac{1}{d} \left(\sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \sum_{i=1}^d z_i\right)\right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{d} \sum_{i=1}^d d(x_i - z_i)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d x_i - \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \sum_{i=1}^d z_i\right)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - z_i)^2. \end{aligned}$$

- b. Using this equation, we can give a boundary to limit the number of calculations, which results in lower costs.
2. According to the article[1], we know that Locality sensitive Hashing(LSH) is a method to get the value of the nearest point by calculating the Euclidean distance. In addition, it uses hash function to calculate the probability of each point. When the probability shows lower, the point we count is far from the original one. On the other hand, when the probability is higher, the point is close to the original point, and we can get the value of this point.
3. It is possible to convert the rule set R into an equivalent decision tree. First of all, we consolidate the scope of all the rules. Then, we arrange the numbers for all conditions into a list. Finally, we use the dichotomy, treating the middle value as a point and dividing the list into two lists. Repeat this step until all the lists are cleared.
4. According to the article[2], people traditionally think that Logistic Regression works better than Naive Bayes because of some reasons such as solving problems directly, addressing missing data easily, and helping validation by its linear parameters. However, after experiments we find that although the asymptotic error of discriminative model is lower, it converges very slowly. On the other hand, the generative classifier cannot do

better at the beginning, but it can reduce the error quickly. Therefore, when training data set size is small, Naive Bayes can may have better result.

5. Logistic regression v.s. Naive Bayes

- a. Naive Bayes will produce better because the features of the training data are independent, the compute result will converge soon which makes the accuracy higher.
- b. Logistic regression will produce better because when the training data approaches infinity, the Logistic regression performs better.
- c. No, we cannot compute $P(X)$ from the learned parameters of a Naive Bayes classifier because the algorithm doesn't provide parameters.
- d. Yes, we can compute $P(X)$ from the learned parameters of a Logistic Regression

classifier. Based on the algorithm of Logistic regression: $y = \frac{e^{f(x)}}{1 + e^{f(x)}}$,

$f(x) = B_0 + X_1B_1 + X_2B_2 \dots X_nB_n$ which $B_0, B_1, B_2 \dots B_n$ are coefficients, and we can use them to compute $P(X)$.

6. According to the article[3], the author points that we should focus on raising the accuracy of testing data but training data. Sometime we want to optimize our algorithm to make the accuracy of training data higher, but we also overfit the prediction model at the same time. To avoid overfitting problem, we should make our problems undercomputing.
7. This article compare mentions that there are five methods people can use to compare any two algorithms such as McNemar's test, the difference of two proportions test,

resampled paired t test, k-fold cross- validated paired t test and 5xcv paired t test.

2. Programming Part

1. Naive Bayes

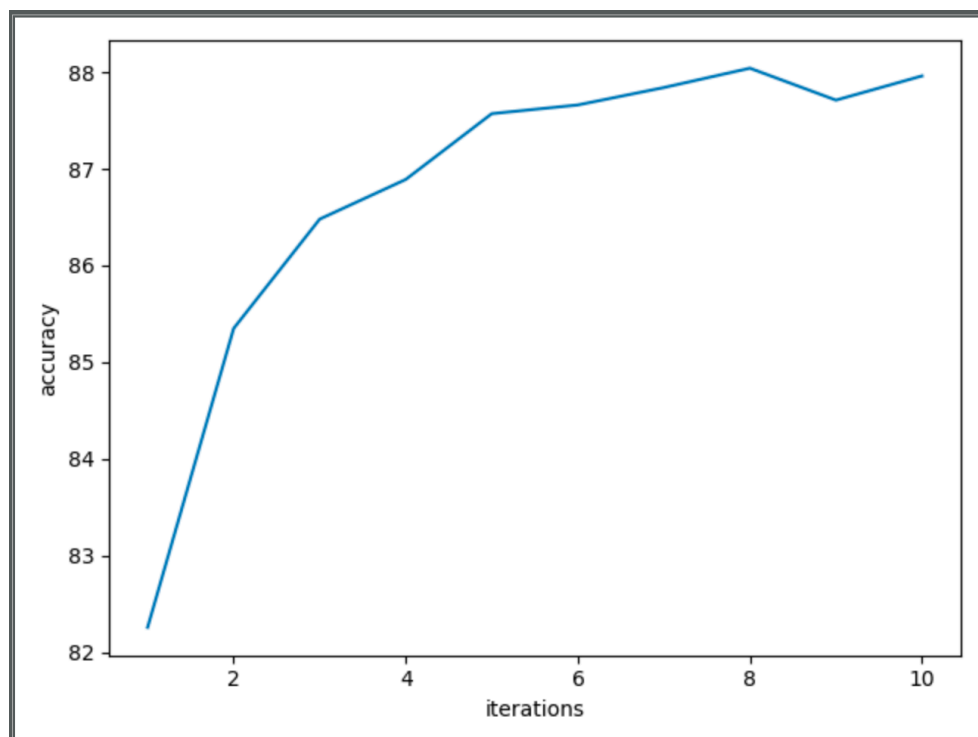
-Run the code and get the accuracies as follow:

```
training accuracy 0.953416149068323  
testing accuracy 0.8316831683168316
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2. CNN

-Modify TA's code and get the testing accuracy as follow:

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/usr/local/bin/python3.7 /Users/angel/PycharmProjects/MachineLearning/hw/hw3/hw3.2_CNN1.py  
Accuracy: 82.26000213623047  
Accuracy: 85.3499984741211  
Accuracy: 86.4800033569336  
Accuracy: 86.88999938964844  
Accuracy: 87.56999969482422  
Accuracy: 87.66000366210938  
Accuracy: 87.83999633789062  
Accuracy: 88.04000091552734  
Accuracy: 87.70999908447266  
Accuracy: 87.95999908447266
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