# News Article Classification (Multi-Label Learning: ML-KNN & BP-MLL)

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#### Overview

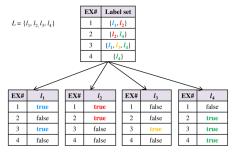
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Introduction and Problem Statement

# KNN Based Approaches

# Binary Relevance (A Naive Approach)

- An intuitive approach to deal with the multilabel paradigm.
- Works by decomposing the multi-label learning task into a number of independent binary learning tasks (one per class label).



- $\rightarrow\,$  Often criticized in the literature because of its label independence assumption.
- ightarrow We implement a KNN based binary relevance model and compare with a more novel adaptation: the ML-KNN model.

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#### **Notation:**

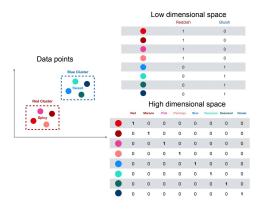
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- Let  $E_j^{\ell}$   $(j \in \{1, ..., K\})$  denote the event that, among the K nearest neighbors of t, there are exactly j instances which have label  $\ell$ .

### ML-KNN Algorithm: Reasons for dimension reduction



Having a high dimensional feature space causes Euclidian distances between points to be fairly similar as the distance vector components are partitioned across many dimensions.

Neural Network Based Approaches

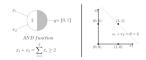
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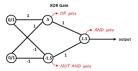


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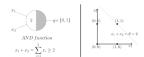


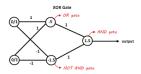
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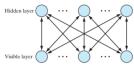




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- In the early 1980s, research on neural networks resurged largely due to successful learning algorithms for multi-layer neural networks and are used today for various tasks such as computer vision, associative memory, representation learning, NLP, etc..



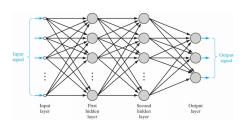




#### Network Architectures (Feed Forward vs Recurrent)

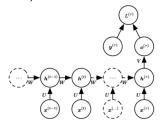
#### **Feed Forward Networks**

- Neurons in the first layer represent components of the input vectors.
- The output of the neuron in the next layer is determined by applying a non-linear "activation function" to a linear combination of the input components, plus a bias.



#### Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)

- RNNs are a popular adaptation for NLP problems.
- They utilize hidden unit connections with shared weights.
- Unfolding an RNN let's us visualize it like a feed forward network (see below).



# Naive vs Novel Approaches (Cross Entropy vs BPMLL)

- By "naive" we refer to multilabel networks that utilize a cross entropy loss for training.
- By comparison, Zhang and Zhou bpmll proposed a novel loss, that emphasizes pairwise ranking accuracy.

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{m} E_i = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{|Y_i||\overline{Y}_i|} \sum_{(k,l)\in Y_i\times\overline{Y}_i} \exp(-(c_k^i - c_l^i))$$

so that the  $i^{th}$  error term is severely penalized if  $c_k^i$  is much smaller than  $c_l^i$ .

#### Artificial Neural Network Results: Full Dataset

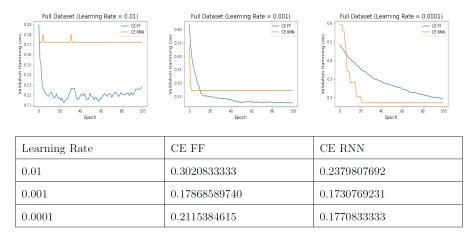
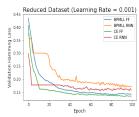


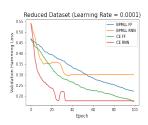
Table 1: Hamming Loss with Threshold Function Learning

CE FF outperform CE RNN in constant threshold but underperform in learned threshold; The effect of learning rate.

#### Artificial Neural Network Results: Reduced Dataset







Learning Rate	CE FF	BPMLL FF	CE RNN	BPMLL RNN
0.01	0.1520979021	0.145979021	0.2447552448	0.2194055944
0.001	0.1853146853	0.2578671329	0.1791958042	0.20454545
0.0001	0.2071678322	0.1844405594	0.1896853147	0.2132867133

Table 2: Hamming Loss with Threshold Function Learning

Same conclusion for RNN and FF; BPMLL shows NO better performance in hamming loss than cross entropy.

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