

Thinking about Data Quiz

1. ML covered in IAML
 - classification
 - regression
 - clustering
2. ML problem
 - large DB of prev. opinion polls and election results, learn a function that can predict a forthcoming election result given current opinion polls
3. Numeric attribute - 1.1, 2.3, 4.6
Ordinal - Low, Medium, High
Categorical - Animal, Vegetable, Fish
4. Categorical: $a=b$
5. Ordinal: $a < b$, $a=b$ (equality and ordering)
6. Numerical: $a+b$, $a < b$, $a=b$
7. Only numeric attr's can be normalised
8. Purpose of normalization
 - make values of n attributes be roughly comparable
different
9. Normalization methods
 - converting to range $[0,1]$
 - converting to zero mean and unit variance
10. Outliers can be found by visualising and observing d.f.s w/ unusual values
skewed distributions can be dealt by taking the log. of values
A non-monotonic relationship between numerical/ordinal values and the class can be dealt by converting values to a variety of overlapping numerical ranges.
11. Normalising (e.g. if we scale, centre and deslant the image) allows us to use post-normalisation pixel values as features for classification.
→ depends on the types of images and the classification task.
12. For object recognition in images, we want attributes that are:
 - invariant to irrelevant differences in the training images (scale, lighting, etc.)
 - have similar values for images in the same class and diff. values for images in different classes
 - spread of values among classes → easy to distinguish

13. text representation

- use the possible words (vocabulary) as the attrs and the existence of that word in the document as the value. → word count

14. sound signals (speech, music, etc.) representation

- frequencies present in signal

15. Accuracy is a good success metric for comparing classifiers if

- the classes are balanced.

16. Generative - models classes

- almost always probabilistic
- can use unlabeled data

Discriminative - models decision boundary

- may/may not be probabilistic
- can't use unlabeled data