

Exercise 1

$$S = \{(x_i, f(x_i))\}_{i=1}^m \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^d \times \{0, 1\})^m$$

Consider polynomial $p_S(x) = -(x-x_1)^2(x-x_2)^2 \dots (x-x_m)^2$

Our $h_S(x)$ function is defined as

$$h_S(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \exists i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}, \text{ s.t. } x_i = x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Consider x , such that $h_S(x) = 1$, then it means that $\exists i \in [m]$, s.t. $x_i = x$. Then, $(x-x_i)^2 = 0$ and, therefore, $p_S(x) = 0$. Hence, $p_S(x) \geq 0$.

ii Now, let's show that $p_S(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow h_S(x) = 1$

Consider x , such that $p_S(x) \geq 0$.

We know that for each $i \in [m]$, $(x-x_i)^2 \geq 0$ and equal to 0, if and only if $x = x_i$.

Assume in this case $x \neq x_i$ for all $i \in [m]$. Then, each of $(x-x_i)^2$ is greater than 0, hence $\prod_{i=1}^m (x-x_i)^2 > 0$.

Then, $p_S(x) = -(x-x_1)^2(x-x_2)^2 \dots (x-x_m)^2 < 0$, which and that leads to contradiction.

Hence, our assumption was wrong and $\exists i \in [m]$, s.t. $x_i = x$.

Therefore, $h_S(x) = 1$.

We have shown that $h_S(x) = 1 \Rightarrow p_S(x) \geq 0$ and $p_S(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow h_S(x) = 1$.
Hence, $h_S(x) = 1$, if and only if $p_S(x) \geq 0$.

q. e. d.

Exercise 2

$$\begin{aligned} E_{S \sim D^m}(L_S(h)) &= E_{S \sim D^m} \left(\frac{|\{i \in [m] : h(x_i) \neq f(x_i)\}|}{m} \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{m} E_{S \sim D^m} (|\{i \in [m] : h(x_i) \neq f(x_i)\}|) = \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m P_{S \sim D^m} (h(x_i) \neq f(x_i)). \end{aligned}$$

Since we have binary classifier, $P_{S \sim D^m} (h(x_i) \neq f(x_i))$ is the same for all i . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m P_{x \sim D^m} (h(x_i) \neq f(x_i)) = \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \cdot m \cdot P_{x \sim D^m} (h(x_i) \neq f(x_i)) = \\ &= P_{x \sim D^m} (h(x) \neq f(x)) = \\ &= L_{D,f}(h). \end{aligned}$$

q.e.d.

Exercise 3

1 Consider classifier h_1 obtained from algorithm A for sample S .

Also, consider classifier $h^* \in \mathcal{H}_{\text{rec}}^2$, s.t. $L_{(D, \epsilon)}(h^*) = 0$. It exists due to the Realizability Assumption.

Then, $L_S(h^*)$ is also equal to 0. Therefore, all positive examples are contained within rectangle of classifier h^* . Since rectangle of h_1 is the smallest rectangle enclosing all positive examples, it must be located within borders of h^* rectangle.

Since $L_S(h^*) = 0$, all negative examples are outside of the h^* rectangle and, therefore, they are outside of the h_1 rectangle.

Since all negative examples are outside of the h_1 rectangle and all positive are inside, we get that $L_S(h_1) = 0$, hence A is an ERM.

Exercise 3 cont.

[2] Since R^* is the rectangle that generates the labels, all positive examples are inside R^* and all negative are outside. Assume $R(S)$ is not fully contained within R^* . Then, consider $R(S) \cap R^*(S)$. Since all positives are contained within both $R(S)$ and $R^*(S)$ and all negatives are outside of both $R(S)$ and $R^*(S)$, $R(S) \cap R^*(S)$ is a rectangle enclosing all positive examples in the training set. But we know that $R(S)$ is the smallest such rectangle, since it is obtained by A . Hence, $R(S) \cap R^*(S)$ and $R(S)$ are of the same size, and that means that $R(S) \subseteq R^*(S)$.

Now, if S has positive examples in all of the R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 , let's show that A has error at most ϵ .

Let $R(S) = R(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2)$. Since it has all positive examples and each of R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 have at least one, we get that $a_1 \geq a_1^* \geq a_1^*$, $a_2 \geq a_2^* \geq a_2^*$, $b_1 \leq b_1^* \leq b_1^*$ and $b_2 \leq b_2^* \leq b_2^*$. Since probability mass of $R(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2)$ is at least probability mass of R^* minus sum of probability masses of R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 , we get that probability mass of the rectangle $R(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2)$ is at least $1 - \epsilon$. Since $R(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2)$ is fully contained within $R(a_1^*, b_1^*, a_2^*, b_2^*)$, probab. mass of $R(S)$ is at least $1 - \epsilon$, hence hypothesis returned by A has error of at most ϵ .

Let m be the size of the training set. Then for each point in the set, the probability that it is not contained within R_i is $1 - \frac{\epsilon}{4}$ for each of $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Hence, for each $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$, the probability that S doesn't contain an example in R_i will be $(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{4})^m$.

Then, probability that S doesn't contain ~~any~~ positive example in at least one of R_i , $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$ will be equal to $4(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{4})^m$, which is smaller ~~than~~ or equal to $4 \cdot e^{(-\frac{\epsilon}{4}) \cdot m}$.

Hence, the probability that the hypothesis returned by A has error of at most ϵ is ^{larger} ~~smaller~~ or equal to ~~$1 - 4e^{(-\frac{\epsilon}{4}) \cdot m}$~~ . Let's denote this probability ~~as~~ $1 - \sigma$.

Then, $\sigma \leq 4e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{4} \cdot m}$ gives us inequality

$$m \geq \frac{4 \log(\frac{4}{\sigma})}{\epsilon}.$$

Hence, if A receives a training set of size $m \geq \frac{4 \log(\frac{4}{\sigma})}{\epsilon}$, then with probability of at least $1 - \sigma$ it returns a hypothesis with error of at most ϵ .

[3] Let $R^* = R^d(a_1^*, b_1^*, a_2^*, b_2^*, \dots, a_d^*, b_d^*)$ be d -dimension rectangle that generates the labels and let f be the corresponding hypothesis.

Let $a_1 \geq a_1^*$ be a number, s.t. prob. mass of the rectangle $R_1 = R^d(a_1^*, a_1, a_2^*, b_2^*, \dots, a_d^*, b_d^*)$ exactly $\frac{\epsilon}{2d}$. Similarly, let a_2, a_3, \dots, a_d^* be numbers such that prob. masses of $R_2 = R^d(a_1^*, b_1^*, a_2^*, a_2, \dots, a_d^*, b_d^*)$, \dots , $R_d = R^d(a_1^*, b_1^*, \dots, a_d^*, a_d)$ are exactly $\frac{\epsilon}{2d}$. And let b_1, b_2, \dots, b_d be such numbers that prob. masses of $R_{d+1} = R^d(b_1, b_1^*, a_2^*, b_2^*, \dots, a_d^*, b_d^*)$, \dots , $R_{2d} = R^d(a_1^*, b_1^*, \dots, a_d^*, b_d)$ are all exactly $\frac{\epsilon}{2d}$. Let $R(S)$ be the rectangle generated by A .

Similarly to \mathbb{R}^2 case, we can show that $R(S) \subseteq R^*$. Since probab. masses of each of R_i , $i \in [2d]$ is exactly $\frac{\epsilon}{2d}$, probability mass of the rectangle $R^d(a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, \dots, a_d, b_d)$ is at least $1 - \epsilon$. Since $R(S) \subseteq R^*$

If S contains positive examples in all of the R_i , then $R^d(a_1, b_1, \dots, a_d, b_d)$ will be fully

contained within $R(S)$ and, therefore, $R(S)$ will have the probability mass of at least $1 - \epsilon$.

Hence, hypothesis returned by will have an error of at most ϵ .

Now, let m be the size of the training set. Then, for each point in the set, probability that it is not contained within R_i is $1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2d}$ for each $i \in [2d]$. Hence, for each $i \in [2d]$, the probab. that S doesn't contain an ~~exam~~ example in R_i will be $(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2d})^m$. Then, probab. that S doesn't contain positive example in at least one of R_i , $i \in [2d]$, will be equal to $2d (1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2d})^m$, which is smaller or equal to $2d e^{(-\frac{\epsilon}{2d})m}$.

Hence, the probab. that the hypothesis returned by A has error of at most ϵ is larger or equal to $1 - 2d e^{(-\frac{\epsilon}{2d})m}$. Let's denote this probability $1 - \sigma$.

Then, $\sigma \leq 4e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{2d}m}$ and, therefore, $m \geq \frac{2d \log(\frac{2d}{\sigma})}{\epsilon}$

Hence, if A receives a training set of the size $m \geq \frac{2d \log(2d/\sigma)}{\epsilon}$, then with probability of at least $1 - \sigma$, it returns a hypothesis with error of at most ϵ .