Supervised VS Unsupervised

- Feature: measurable property/characteristic of data instance
- *Concept*: output label/variable; what we are predicting
- Supervised: labelled
 - Classification, Regression
 - Learn relation between features and target
- *Unsupervised*: unlabelled data
 - Clustering, Dimensionality Reduction, Anomaly Detection
 - Strongly: no idea how many/what groups are
 - Weakly: know how many/what groups are
- Semisupervised: some labelled, majority unlabelled
- Reinforcement Learning: interaction and feedback
- Hyperparameters: parameters which define and constrain the learning process
- Parameters: values learnt and applied to particular training dataset

Feature Types

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|--------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|--|--|
| Numerical | | Categorical | | | |
| Discrete | Continuous | Nominal | Ordinal | | |
| - whole number | - range/interval | - no inherent | - has natural | | |
| distinct categories/lvls | - decimal | order/ranking | order/ranking | | |

$Categorical \rightarrow Numeric$

Label/Ordinal Encoding

- assign unique number label to each category
- for ordinal: based on order/ranking
- eg. red, blue, green \rightarrow 1, 2, 3
- CON: artificial order

One-Hot Encoding

- binary columns for each feature
- eg. "red" \rightarrow [0, 0, 1]
- PRO: equal distance, CON: increases dimensionality

Target Encoding

- replace category with statistical aggregation (count, mean, median, etc.)
- eg. red, blue, green \rightarrow 4, 10, 4
- CON: prone to overfitting

Hashing

- hash feature to fixed, unique numeric value
- PRO: reduces dimensionality of large-scale datasets

$Categorical \rightarrow Numeric$

Equal-Width Discretisation

- partition into *n* bins of width $\frac{max-min}{n}$
- CON: sensitive to outliers; choosing n requires domain knowledge

Equal Frequency

- sort values \rightarrow find breakpoints to produce *n* bins with equal frequency

K-Means Clustering

Text

Bag of Words

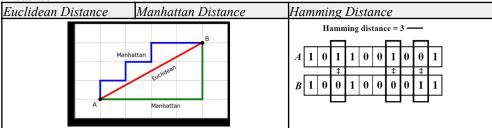
- Vector of frequencies of each word
- CONS: curse of dimensionality, missing context, order, synonyms

Images

Bags of Pixels

- Can work for constrained tasks
- CONS: curse of dimensionality, no shapes/objects, just colours

Distance



0-R/1-Rule Classifier

0-R: Majority class classifier – predict majority class

1-R: Predict concept based on feature with least error

- 1. For each attribute/feature, create a frequency table and calculate error
 - assume we always pick majority class for that feature
- Error = total all instances in minority classes
- 2. Pick feature with **least error**
- 3. Use feature to determine concept of test instances

Naive Bayes

- *Marginal Probability*: probability of event occurring for single random variable, without considering values of other variables
 - P(X = A): probability of outcome X=A, considering all possible values of Y
- Joint Probability: probability of two or more events occurring together
 - P(X=A, Y=B)
- Bayes' Rule: $P(H|x) = \frac{P(H,x)}{P(x)} = \frac{P(x|H)P(H)}{P(x)}$
 - $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$
- assumes that all features are independent given the class

$$\hat{c} = \arg \max_{c_j \in C} P(c_j) \prod_i P(x_i | c_j)$$

- \hat{c} : Predicted Class

- $P(c_i)$: Prior Probability of class c_i

- $P(x_i|c_j) = \frac{\#feature=i}{\#class=j}$: Likelihood – probability of feature x_i given class c_j

- Π : product – multiplying lots of numbers between (0, 1] can lead to <u>underflow</u>

Underflow

- Log Transformation: $\hat{c} = \arg \max_{c_i \in C} [\log(P(c_j)) + \sum_i \log(P(x_i|c_j))]$
 - take log of each probability and sum instead of product

Zero Values

- If any $P(x_i|c_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Final value} = 0$
- Simple Probabilistic Smoothing: replace 0 with positive constant c
- Laplace Smoothing: increase counts by α (usually 1)

| Unsmoothed | Smoothed |
|-----------------------|---|
| $P_i = \frac{x_i}{N}$ | $P_{i} = \frac{x_{i} + \alpha}{N + \alpha d}$ |

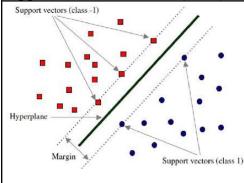
- CONS: drastic change for small dataset; overestimates rare events
- Other Options: Add-k Smoothing, Regression

Decision Trees

Entropy: amount of uncertainty in dataset

ID3 Information Gain Gain Ratio

Support Vector Machines (SVM)



- GOAL: find optimal <u>hyperplane</u> to separate classes and <u>maximises margin</u>
- PRO: good for high-dimensional spaces (captures feature relationships implicitly); strong generalisation; robust against overfitting (due to *C*)
- CONS: sensitive to hyperparameter tuning (kernel, kernel params, C); computationally expensive; best for supervised binary classification (multi-class and regression is more expensive)
- Confidence Measure: distance between new instance and hyperplane
- Soft Margins: permits few points to be on the wrong side

- Kernel Function: transforms input data to higher-dimensional feature space

K Nearest Neighbours (KNN)

Hill Climbing

- finds best solution for search space (local optima)
- starts with initial solution and iteratively makes incremental improvements
- 1 initialise → 2 evaluate → 3 neighbourhood search (incremental change) → 4 selection (based on performance/evaluation) → repeat 3-4 until termination criterion

Logistic Regression

- binary classification
- l. linear combination of input features: multiply each by weight and sum them tgt
- 2. logistic function (sigmoid function): maps value between 0 and 1
- 3. determine division boundary (threshold) to determine predicted class
- 4. trained using maximum likelihood estimation
- O(num classes * num features)

Hidden Markov Model

- *Markov assumption*: the likelihood of <u>transitioning</u> into a given state <u>depends only on</u> <u>the current state</u>, and not the previous state(s) (or output(s)), i.e. P (qt|q1···qt−1) ≈ P (qt|qt−1)
- Output independence assumption: the likelihood of a state producing a certain observation (as output) does not depend on the preceding (or following) state(s) (or output(s)), i.e., $P(ot|q1\cdots qt, o1\cdots ot-1)\approx P(ot|qt)$

Forward Algorithm



P(3_Solor 3_Solor 1_Sololy) = 0.0080675 ± 0.0674375 = 0.0

calculate the <u>probability</u> of observing a particular sequence of observations

Viterbi Algorithm

- find most likely <u>sequence of hidden states</u> given sequence of observations

K-Means Clustering

- 1. Select *k* points at random as <u>initial cluster centroids</u>
- 2. compute distance to each centroid for each instance & assign to nearest centroid
- 3. compute new centroid for each cluster (centroid = mean of all instances in cluster)
- 4. Repeat form 2. until no instances are reassigned

Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM) / Soft K-Means

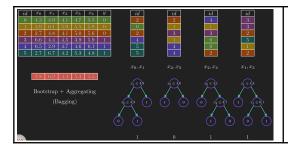
- assigns <u>probability</u> associated with each cluster; allows instance to belong to multiple clusters simultaneously
- each cluster represented by Gaussian distribution
- algorithm iteratively <u>updates means and covariance matrices</u> of distribution and <u>recalculates probabilities</u>
- **Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)**: distribution as composed of *k* Gaussian distributions
 - Finite Mixture: distribution composed of k component distributions

Expectation-Maximisation (EM) Algorithm

- iterative optimization algorithm; generalisation of (soft) k-means; guaranteed positive hill-climbing characteristics
- used to estimate parameters in statistical models with hidden variables
- 1. *(E)xpectation Step*: calculate <u>posterior probability</u> (expectation) of latent variables given observed data and current estimates of model parameters
- 2. *(M)aximisation Step*: <u>maximises expected log-likelihood</u> by updating model parameters
- 3. Repeated until algorithm converges (estimates of model parameters stabilise//reach convergence criterion)

Ensemble Learning

- Aggregate results from base classifiers ⇒ reduces variance
- Bagging/Bootstrapping: construct N new datasets with <u>random sampling w/replacement</u>
 - Instance Absent Probability: $(1 \frac{1}{N})^N$
 - PRO: simple (1 algo + simple vote); noisy datasets (outliers vanish); can parallelise; less overfitting
 - CON: unstable classifiers \Rightarrow high variance (and vv)
- Stacking: combining output of a number base classifiers as input to further supervised learning (meta) model; to smooth errors over range of algorithms with different biases
 - PRO: results usually better than best of base classifiers
 - CON: computationally expensive; many algorithms
- Boosting: focuses on <u>hard-to-classify</u> instances; iterative: sample → update weights → weighted voting
 - PRO: computationally cheap; guaranteed performance (error bounds over training data); minimise instance bias
 - CON: more expensive than bagging; overfitting
- Random Forest
 - 1. Create k new datasets using Bagging
 - 2. Use random subset of features for each tree



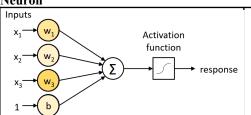
- ensemble of Random Trees
- *Random Tree*: decision tree with only some possible attributes

Neural Networks

Learns feature hierarchy

Embedding: low dimensionality representation of input; can be used for other tasks (not only original task)

Neuron



- Input: vector x_i , $\langle x_{i1}$, x_{i2} , ... \rangle
- Output: scalar y,
- Hyperparam: activation function f
- Parameters: weights $w_1, w_2, \dots >$

Perception

NN with single neuron

Binary linear classifier

Usually step function (if $y_i > 0$ then output 1, else 0)

Training Perceptrons

Find weights to minimise errors

1. Iterate over training set (1 iteration = 1 epoch); 2. compare prediction and true values; 3. Update weights

Lambda: learning rate

More penalty on larger inputs; less penalty on smaller inputs

Evaluation

- Generalisation
- Overfitting
- Learning Curve
- Bias: tendency to produce same errors; □ Bias ⇒ predicted label distribution ≠ true labels//makes many mistakes; □ Bias ⇒ no mistakes//different kinds of errors on different instances; still similar distribution to true labels

• Variance: measure of model inconsistency; produce different classifications on different training sets (randomly sampled on same population)

| | | Ground truth | | | Precision | |
|-----------|---|----------------------------|------------------------|--|---|---|
| | | + | - | | - \square precision $\Rightarrow \square$ | |
| Predicted | + | True positive (TP) | False positive (FP) | Precision = TP / (TP + FP) | $ \begin{array}{c c} & \text{FP} \\ \text{Recall} \\ - & \square \text{ recall} \Rightarrow \square \text{ FN} \\ \text{Error Rate} \end{array} $ | ĺ |
| Pred | | False negative (FN) | True negative (TN) | | - proportion of incorrect predictions | |
| | | Recall = TP / (TP + FN) | | Accuracy = (TP + TN) / (TP + FP + TN + FN) | - = (FP + FN)/Tota $- = 1 - Accuracy$ | 1 |

- Micro-average: calculate metric for overall; kind of treat all data as from same class
- *Macro-average:* calculate metric for each class then average the resulting metric values (eg. C1 accuracy + C2 accuracy + C3 accuracy / 2

MSE, RMSE and RRSE usually used for regression

Mean Squared Error (MSE)

- 1. for each prediction, subtract the corresponding true value
- 2. square the differences
- 3. calculate average of squared differences

Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)

- 1. take square root of MSE
- same units as original data

Root Relative Squared Error (RRSE)

- 1. divide RMSE by range (max-min) of true values
- 2. multiply result by 100 (%)
- relative measure of error compared to range of true values

Baseline

Pearson's Correlation

Feature Selection

Dimensionality Reduction

- lossy: not possible to reproduce original data from reduced version

PCA

- Projects data to new coordinate system
- Identified Principal Components (linear combinations of original features that capture max variance in data)
- Arrange in descending order

- CONS: assumes <u>linear relationship</u> between features; hard to <u>interpret</u>; assumes □ variance components = informative features; influenced by <u>outliers</u>

Filtering

Pointwise Mutual Information (PMI)

Mutual Information (MI)

- amount of information shared between two random variables

Chi-Square, χ^2

- association between two categorical variables (usually feature and label)
- eval difference between observed and expected freq. → assess deviation
- $\Box \chi^2 \Rightarrow$ dependency between variables
- 1. Contingency Table

| | | a = Y | $a = N, (\bar{a})$ | Total |
|-----|---------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| с | = Y | W | X | W+X |
| c = | $N,(\bar{c})$ | Y | Z | Y + Z |
| Т | otal | W+Y | X + Z | М |

- 2. Calculate expected frequency for each cell
 - $Expected = \frac{RowTotal \times ColTotal}{OverallTotal}$
- 3. Calculate Chi-Square Value for each cell and sum all up

$$- \chi^2 = \sum \frac{(Observed - Expected)^2}{Expected}$$

set of patterns/principles of **assigning responsibilities** into an object; supports Responsibility-Driven Design (RDD)

Naive Baves

B should create instances of A if:

- B "contains" / compositely aggregates A
- B records/closely uses A
- B has initializing data for A

K Nearest Neighbours (KNN)

objects should communicate through intermediary rather than directly

reduces coupling; more flexible; easier maintain