

# Shapley Values, LIME, and SHAP

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## Recap: interpretable representations

## Simplified features / interpretable representation

- LIME introduced the idea of an “interpretable representation.” [RSG16b].
- They ask: what good is interpreting a model  $f$  if we can't interpret its features?
- The SHAP paper calls these things “simplified features.” [LL17]
- Each interpretable representation is designed to interpret
  - the prediction **for a particular example**  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$ .
- The idea is **not** to build a single simplified representation for all of  $\mathcal{X}$ .
- But rather, to represent  $x \in \mathcal{X}$  that are “near” to  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  in some sense.

# Interpretable components



Original Image







Interpretable  
Components

- A segmentation algorithm has broken the image into “interpretable components”.
- There is a “simplified feature” for each component ( $=\mathbb{1}$  [component is "included"]).

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Image from [RSG16a].

# Simplified feature representations

$x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$				
$x' \in \{0, 1\}^M$	$(1, 1, \dots, 1, 1)$	$(0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 1)$	$(1, 0, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$	$(1, 0, 1, 1, \dots, 0, 1)$

- The number or interpretable components  $M$  is specific to a particular  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$ .
- The mapping from  $x' \mapsto x$  is also specific to the particular  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Image from [RSG16a].

## Example simplified features

- Fix some  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  in our original feature space.
- Let  $\{0, 1\}^M$  be our simplified feature space ( $M$  generally depends on  $x$ ).
- Define a mapping  $h_{x_0} : \{0, 1\}^M \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  such that
  - $h_{x_0}((1, 1, \dots, 1)) = x_0$ .
  - for any  $x' \in \{0, 1\}^M$ ,  $h_{x_0}(x') \in \mathcal{X}$  is some variation of  $x_0$ .
- For example
  - $h(x')$  is an image with regions blocked out.
  - $h(x')$  is a sentence with words eliminated.

LIME is approximating a set function



# Additive feature attribution methods

## Definition

[LL17]. **Additive feature attribution methods** have an explanation model that is a linear function of binary variables:

$$g(x') = \phi_0 + \sum_{i=1}^M \phi_i x'_i,$$

where  $x' \in \{0, 1\}^M$ , where  $M$  is the number of simplified features, and  $\phi_i \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- The idea is to use  $g(x')$  to interpret the prediction  $f(x)$ .
- In particular,  $g(x')$  is so simple that we can read off
  - the importance of each interpretable feature  $x'_i$  by the size of  $\phi_i$ .

- Suppose we're trying to interpret the prediction  $f(x_0)$ .
- In LIME, we try to find an **interpretable**  $g$  that approximates  $f$  near  $x$ .
- Let  $h_x : \{0, 1\}^M \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be our simplified feature map.
- Consider linear models on  $\{0, 1\}^M$  as our interpretable model class:

$$g(x') = w_0 + w_1 x'_1 + \cdots + w_M x'_M$$

for  $x' \in \{0, 1\}^M$ .

- This will give us an additive feature attribution method.

## Linear LIME optimization problem

- In LIME, we sample a set of “perturbations”  $\mathcal{D} \subset \{0, 1\}^M$ , uniformly at random.
- And the LIME optimization problem is

$$\arg \min_g \sum_{x' \in \mathcal{D}} \pi_x(h_x(x')) (f(h(x')) - g(x'))^2$$

or (for Tabular LIME) it's

$$\arg \min_g \sum_{x' \in \mathcal{D}} \pi(x') (f(h(x')) - g(x'))^2.$$

- Here our objective sums over binary vectors in  $\{0, 1\}^M$ .
- The quadratic objective for generalized Shapley values summed over subsets of  $\{1, \dots, M\}$ .
- These are exactly equivalent!

Let  $\{1, \dots, M\}$  index a set of features.

- Let  $\{0, 1\}^M$  be any simplified feature space.
- Note the obvious correspondence between
  - subsets  $S \subset \{1, \dots, M\}$  and
  - binary vectors  $x' \in \{0, 1\}^M$ .
- Namely,  $S = \{j \mid x'_j = 1\} \iff x'_j = \mathbb{1}[j \in S]$ .
- Thus we can view  $(f \circ h)(x')$  as a set function on features  $\{1, \dots, M\}$ .
- Similarly, we can view  $g(x') = w_0 + w_1 x'_1 + \dots + w_M x'_M$  as a set function.
- So [linear] LIME is trying to approximate one set function by another, simpler one.
- Sound familiar?

# LIME and generalized Shapley values

- Consider the Tabular LIME objective

$$\arg \min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^M} \sum_{x' \in \mathcal{D}} \pi(x') (f(h(x')) - g(x'))^2,$$

where  $g(x') = w_1 x'_1 + \dots + w_M x'_M$ .

- Suppose we
  - take  $\mathcal{D} = \{0, 1\}^M - \{(0, \dots, 0), (1, \dots, 1)\}$ — i.e.,  $2^M - 2$  perturbations,
  - assume  $\pi(x')$  depends only on the number of 1's in  $x'$  (as in Tabular LIME),
  - constrain the optimization so that  $g((1, \dots, 1)) = f(x_0)$ , and
  - shift  $f$  so that  $f(h(0)) = 0$ ,
- then we exactly have a generalized Shapley objective function, with
  - weight function  $\pi(x')$  and
  - “set function”  $(f \circ h)(x')$ .

# Shapley version of LIME

- In addition to the previous conditions on

$$\arg \min_{w \in \mathbb{R}^M} \sum_{x' \in \mathcal{D}} \pi(x') (f(h(x')) - g(x'))^2,$$

- let's use the **Shapley kernel**  $\pi(x') = \binom{M-2}{|x'|-1}^{-1}$ , where  $|x'|$  is the number of 1's in  $x'$ .
- We'll call this the **Shapley-LIME objective**.
- Then the minimizing  $w_1, \dots, w_M$  are Shapley values.
- Thus using the  $w$ 's to allocate "credit" to each interpretable feature,
  - has all the theoretical properties of Shapley values

# Comparing Shapley-LIME to LIME

- The Tabular LIME weight function  $\pi(x')$ 
  - puts more weight on  $x'$  with more 1's (because they're closer to  $x_0$ )
- (The more features you “cover up”, the more different the result is from  $x_0$ ).
- But with the Shapley kernel,
  - we have large weights when  $x$  is mostly 1's
  - AND large weights when  $x$  is mostly 0's.
- A Shapley-ist might say that this is this the most justifiable form of LIME.

## SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanation) values



# SHAP: original definition

- Consider the set function

$$v(S) = \mathbb{E}[f(x_S, X_C) \mid X_S = x_S] - \mathbb{E}[f(X)].$$

- Note that  $v(\emptyset) = 0$ .
- [LL17] defines the **SHAP values** as the Shapley values for  $v(S)$ .
- Let  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_M$  be those Shapley values.
- We can define  $\phi_0 = \mathbb{E}[f(X)]$ , and then

$$g(x') = \phi_0 + \sum_{i=1}^M \phi_i x'_i.$$

- This is another additive feature attribution method.

# Shapley-LIME vs SHAP

- The only difference between Shapley-LIME and SHAP is the set function.
- In Shapley-LIME, we may each subset of features to an instance in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,
  - which we then evaluate to get the value of the set function.
- In SHAP, the set function involves various expectations over features.
- 2 different set functions give 2 different sets of Shapley values and feature interpretations.

# SHAP in practice

- As discussed in previous modules
  - it's not easy to compute  $\mathbb{E}[f(x_S, X_C) \mid X_S = x_S]$ .
- So not only are Shapley values hard to compute,
  - but in the case of SHAP, evening computing the set function is hard.
- [LL17] presents a method called “**Kernel SHAP**”:
  - Replace the conditional expectation with the marginal expectation  $\mathbb{E}[f(x_S, X_C)]$ , and
  - compute Shapley values using the hybrid Monte Carlo method described in the previous module.
- [LL17] suggests thinking about this as an approximation to the conditional approach.
- But... we've already thought a lot about these two different approaches.
- And they're quite different.

## References

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- If you want to read about SHAP from the original authors, the presentation in [LEC<sup>+</sup>20] is much more clear than the original [LL17].
- There are a huge number of papers discussing and building on SHAP. One recent paper that connects to many of the on-manifold/off-manifold issues we've discussed is [FMB<sup>+</sup>20].

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