New ensemble methods for evolving data streams

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New Ensemble Methods For Evolving Data Streams

Outline

- a new experimental data stream framework for studying concept drift
- two new variants of Bagging:
  - `ADWIN` Bagging
  - Adaptive-Size Hoeffding Tree (ASHT) Bagging.
- an evaluation study on synthetic and real-world datasets

Outline

1. **MOA: Massive Online Analysis**

2. Concept Drift Framework

3. New Ensemble Methods

4. Empirical evaluation

What is MOA?

{M}assive {O}nline {A}nalysis is a framework for online learning from data streams.

- It is closely related to WEKA
- It includes a collection of offline and online as well as tools for evaluation:
  - boosting and bagging
  - Hoeffding Trees

  with and without Naïve Bayes classifiers at the leaves.

WEKA

- **W**aikato **E**nvironment for **K**nowledge **A**nalysis
- Collection of state-of-the-art machine learning algorithms and data processing tools implemented in Java
  - Released under the GPL
- Support for the whole process of experimental data mining
  - Preparation of input data
  - Statistical evaluation of learning schemes
  - Visualization of input data and the result of learning

- Used for education, research and applications
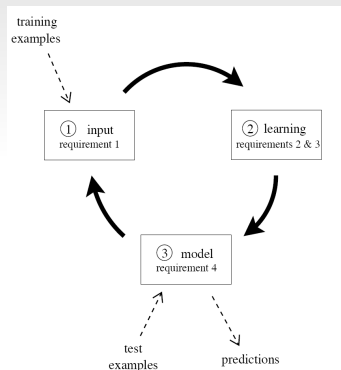- Complements "Data Mining" by Witten & Frank

WEKA: the bird

MOA: the bird

The Moa (another native NZ bird) is not only flightless, like the Weka, but also extinct.

Data stream classification cycle

1. Process an example at a time, and inspect it only once (at most)
2. Use a limited amount of memory
3. Work in a limited amount of time
4. Be ready to predict at any point

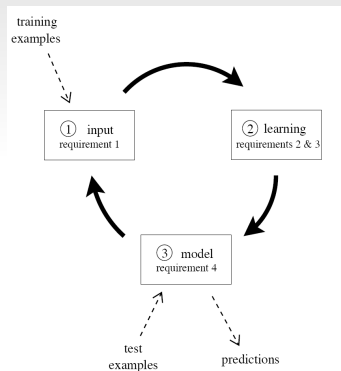# Experimental setting

Evaluation procedures for Data Streams
- Holdout
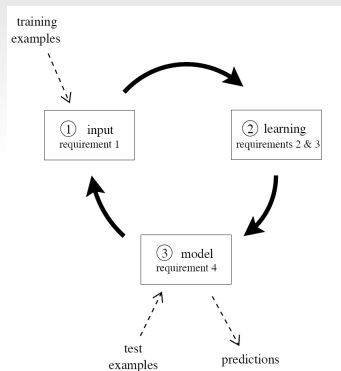- Interleaved Test-Then-Train

Environments
- Sensor Network: 100Kb
- Handheld Computer: 32 Mb
- Server: 400 Mb

Experimental setting

Data Sources

- Random Tree Generator
- Random RBF Generator
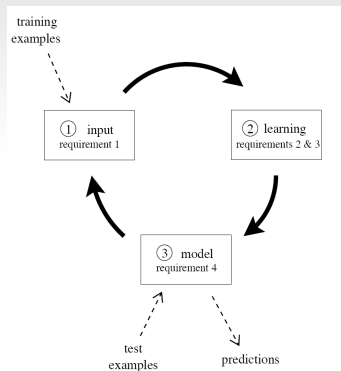- LED Generator
- Waveform Generator
- Function Generator

Experimental setting

Classifiers
- Naive Bayes
- Decision stumps
- Hoeffding Tree
- Hoeffding Option Tree
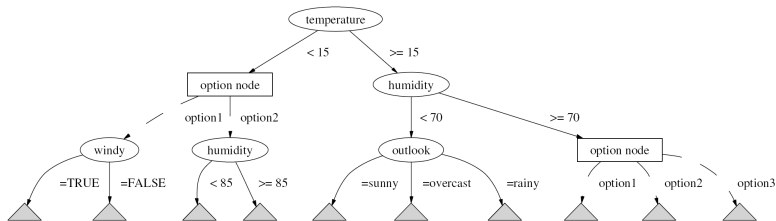- Bagging and Boosting

Prediction strategies
- Majority class
- Naive Bayes Leaves
- Adaptive Hybrid

Hoeffding Option Tree

Hoeffding Option Trees

Regular Hoeffding tree containing additional option nodes that allow several tests to be applied, leading to multiple Hoeffding trees as separate paths.

Design of a MOA classifier

- void resetLearningImpl ()
- void trainOnInstanceImpl (Instance inst)
- double[] getVotesForInstance (Instance i)
- void getModelDescription (StringBuilder out, int indent)

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Extension to Evolving Data Streams

New Evolving Data Stream Extensions

- New Stream Generators
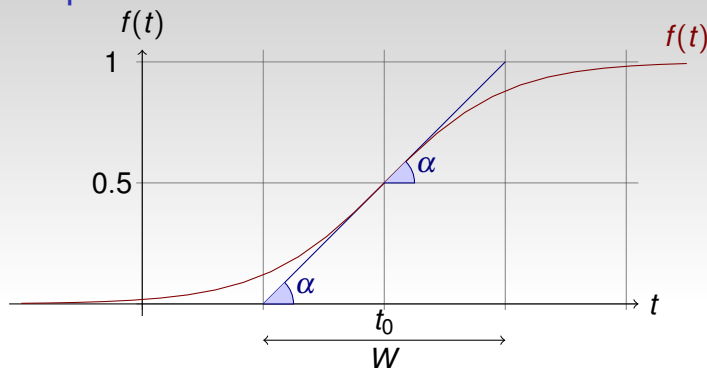- New UNION of Streams
- New Classifiers

Extension to Evolving Data Streams

New Evolving Data Stream Generators

- Random RBF with Drift
- LED with Drift
- Waveform with Drift

- Hyperplane
- SEA Generator
- STAGGER Generator
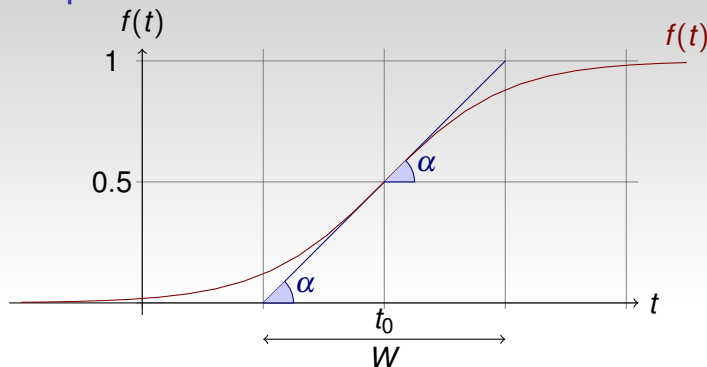
Concept Drift Framework

Definition

Given two data streams a, b, we define $c = a \oplus_{t_0}^{W} b$ as the data stream built joining the two data streams a and b

- $\Pr[c(t) = b(t)] = 1/(1 + e^{-4(t-t_0)/W})$.
- $\Pr[c(t) = a(t)] = 1 - \Pr[c(t) = b(t)]$

Concept Drift Framework

Example

- $(((a \oplus_{t_0}^{W_0} b) \oplus_{t_1}^{W_1} c) \oplus_{t_2}^{W_2} d)\ldots$
- $(((SEA_9 \oplus_{t_0}^{W} SEA_8) \oplus_{2t_0}^{W} SEA_7) \oplus_{3t_0}^{W} SEA_{9.5})$
- $\mathrm{CovPokElec} = (\mathrm{CoverType} \oplus_{581,012}^{5,000} \mathrm{Poker}) \oplus_{1,000,000}^{5,000} \mathrm{ELEC2}$

Extension to Evolving Data Streams

New Evolving Data Stream Classifiers

- Adaptive Hoeffding Option Tree
- DDM Hoeffding Tree
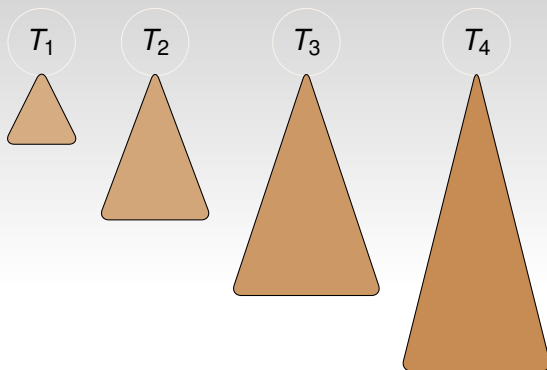- EDDM Hoeffding Tree

- OCBoost
- FLBoost

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Ensemble Methods

New ensemble methods:

- Adaptive-Size Hoeffding Tree bagging:
    - each tree has a maximum size
    - after one node splits, it deletes some nodes to reduce its size if the size of the tree is higher than the maximum value
- ADWIN bagging:
    - When a change is detected, the worst classifier is removed and a new classifier is added.

Adaptive-Size Hoeffding Tree

Ensemble of trees of different size

- smaller trees adapt more quickly to changes,
- larger trees do better during periods with little change
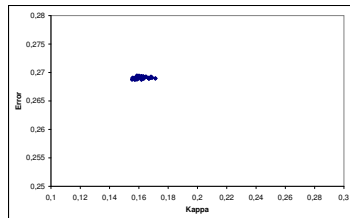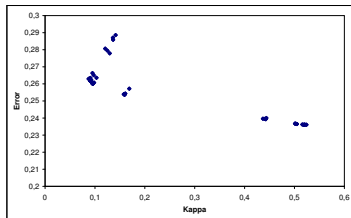- diversity

Adaptive-Size Hoeffding Tree

Figure: Kappa-Error diagrams for ASHT bagging (left) and bagging (right) on dataset RandomRBF with drift, plotting 90 pairs of classifiers.

ADWIN Bagging

ADWIN

An adaptive sliding window whose size is recomputed online according to the rate of change observed.

ADWIN has rigorous guarantees (theorems)

- On ratio of false positives and negatives
- On the relation of the size of the current window and change rates

ADWIN Bagging

When a change is detected, the worst classifier is removed and a new classifier is added.

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Empirical evaluation

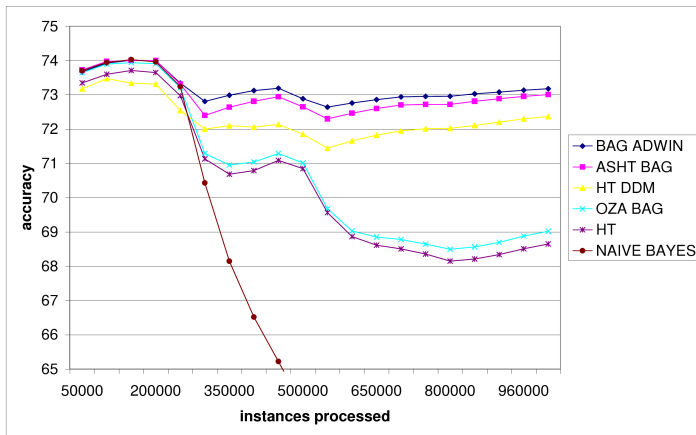Figure: Accuracy and size on dataset LED with three concept drifts.

Empirical evaluation

	SEA W = 50		
	Time	Acc.	Mem.
NaiveBayes	5.32	83.87	0.00
HT	6.96	84.89	0.34
HT DDM	8.30	88.27	0.17
HT EDDM	8.56	87.97	0.18
HOT5	11.46	84.92	0.38
HOT50	22.54	85.20	0.84
AdaHOT5	11.46	84.94	0.38
AdaHOT50	22.70	85.35	0.86
Bag10 HT	31.06	85.45	3.38
Bag`ADWIN` 10 HT	54.51	88.58	1.90
Bag10 ASHT W+R	33.20	**88.89**	0.84
Bag5 ASHT W+R	19.78	88.55	0.01
OzaBoost	39.40	86.28	4.03
OCBoost	59.12	87.21	2.41

Empirical evaluation

	SEA W = 50000		
	Time	Acc.	Mem.
NaiveBayes	5.52	83.87	0.00
HT	7.20	84.87	0.33
HT DDM	7.88	88.07	0.16
HT EDDM	8.52	87.64	0.06
HOT5	12.46	84.91	0.37
HOT50	22.78	85.18	0.83
AdaHOT5	12.48	84.94	0.38
AdaHOT50	22.80	85.30	0.84
Bag10 HT	30.88	85.34	3.36
Bag`ADWIN` 10 HT	53.15	**88.53**	0.88
Bag10 ASHT W+R	33.56	88.30	0.84
Bag5 ASHT W+R	20.00	87.99	0.05
OzaBoost	39.97	86.17	4.00
OCBoost	60.33	86.97	2.44

Summary

http://www.cs.waikato.ac.nz/~abifet/MOA/

Conclusions

- Extension of MOA to evolving data streams
- MOA is easy to use and extend
- New ensemble bagging methods:
  - Adaptive-Size Hoeffding Tree bagging
  - ADWIN bagging

Future Work

- Extend MOA to more data mining and learning methods.