

## Lecture 12 Model Evaluation

- Confusion Matrix

- Accuracy =  $(a+d)/(a+b+c+d)$

	Predicted Class		
		Class = Yes	Class = No
	Actual Class		
	Class = Yes	a (TP)	b (FN)
	Class = No	c (FP)	d (TN)

- TP = true positive
- FP = false positive
- FN = false negative
- TN = True Negative
- Accuracy can be misleading
  - If one particular class has a majority of the data set, a predictor that only predicts that class will yield a very high accuracy

- Cost Matrix

	Predicted Class		
		Class = Yes	Class = No
	Actual Class		
	Class = Yes	C(Yes Yes)	C(No Yes)
	Class = No	C(Yes No)	C(No No)

COST	Predicted Class		
Actual Class		Yes	No
	Yes	a	b
	No	c	d

- Precision =  $a/(a+c)$
- Recall =  $a/(a+b)$
- F-Measure =  $2RP/(R+P)$
- Total Cost =  $TP \cdot \text{Cost}(TP) + FP \cdot \text{Cost}(FP) + FN \cdot \text{Cost}(FN) + TN \cdot \text{Cost}(TN)$

### Cost of Classification

COST	Predicted Class		
Actual Class		Yes	No
	Yes	-1	100
	No	1	0

Model 1	Predicted Class		
Actual Class		Yes	No
	Yes	150	40
	No	60	250

Accuracy = 80%  
Cost = 3910

Model 2	Predicted Class		
Actual Class		Yes	No
	Yes	250	45
	No	5	200

Accuracy = 90%  
Cost = 4255

- Methods of Estimation
  - Goal: get a reliable estimate of performance of the model on unseen data
  - Holdout:
    - Split data into two sets a testing and a training set
    - Use  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the dataset for testing and use  $\frac{3}{4}$  for training
  - Cross Validation
    - Split data into K equal sized folds (subsets)
    - Train the model on K-1 folds
    - Test the model on the remaining 1 fold
      - Repeat this K times so each fold serves as a test set once
      - Average the performance metrics over all k runs
    - Partition into K disjoint subsets
    - K-fold: train on K-1 partitions, test on the remaining
    - K=n leave one out
      - Special case where K=n and n is the number of data points
      - For each example
        - Train on all other n-1 samples
        - Test on the one left out
          - This is very accurate but computationally expensive for large datasets

Method	Accuracy	Speed	Overfitting Risk
Holdout	Medium	Fast	Higher
K-Fold CV	High	Moderate	Lower
Leave-One-Out	Very High	Very Slow	Very Low

- Ensemble Methods
  - Ensembling in machine learning is the technique of combining multiple models (often called "learners" or "classifiers") to improve overall performance — usually in terms of accuracy, robustness, or generalization.
  - Reduces error
  - Increases stability
- Suppose you have 17 independent classifiers each with an error rate of  $e = 0.20$  and you take a majority vote to make a final decision
  - The majority needs to make a mistake and get at least 9/17 wrong
  - What is the chance the ensemble gets it wrong
    - Binomial probability problem

$$P(X \geq 9) = \sum_{k=9}^{17} \binom{17}{k} (.2)^k (1 - .2)^{17-k} = 0.002581463$$

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- This value is much smaller than 0.20
- This shows how combining multiple weak learners can drastically reduce error if they are independent and better than random

- Bagging
  - Goal : reduce variance by training classifiers on different subsets of the data
  - Generate bootstrap samples by randomly sampling from the dataset to create multiple training sets
  - Train a separate model on each bootstrap sample
  - Combine their predictions (majority vote or average)
  - Good for unstable learners like decision trees
  - Random forests is bagging applied to decision trees
- Boosting
  - Reduce bias by focusing on errors made by previous models
    - Train the first classifier
    - Increase the weights of misclassified points
    - Train the next classifier to focus more on those errors
      - Repeat.
    - Combine all classifiers using a weighted vote
  - Learners are not independent but work in sequence to correct each other