



Aprendizagem 2024

Lab 4: *k*NN and Evaluation

Practical exercises

Consider the following data:

	input		output	
	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4
x_1	1	1	A	1.4
x_2	2	1	B	0.5
x_3	2	3	B	2
x_4	3	3	B	2.2
x_5	1	0	A	0.7
x_6	1	4	A	1.2

- Assuming a k -nearest neighbor with $k=3$ applied within a leave-one-out schema:
 - Let y_3 be the output variable (*categorical*). Classify x_1 when considering uniform weights and:
 - Euclidean (l_2) distance (real input variables)
 - Hamming distance (categorical input variables)
 - Let y_4 be the output variable (*numeric*). Considering cosine similarity, provide the mean regression estimate for x_1 .
 - Consider a weighted-distance k -nearest neighbor with Euclidean (l_2) distance, identify the:
 - weighted mode estimate of x_1 for the y_3 outcome
 - weighted mean estimate of x_1 for the y_4 outcome
- Let x_j be the measurement on variable y_j for a given observation x .

Given the learnt regression model $\hat{x}_4 = 1 - 0.8x_1 + 0.2x_2^2 + 0.2x_1x_2$:

- a) Compute the y_4 regression estimates for the observations of the aforementioned dataset
 - b) Compute the training Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
 - c) Perform a residue analysis to assess the presence of systemic biases against y_1 and y_2
3. Consider the probabilistic outcome of a classifier for the given six observations to be
- $$p(y_3 = A | x) = [p(y_3 = A | x_1), \dots, p(y_3 = A | x_6)] = [0.45, 0.4, 0.3, 0.6, 0.8, 0.4]$$
- a) Draw the training ROC curve
 - b) Compute the training AUC
 - c) Would you change the default 0.5 probability threshold for this classifier in order to maximize training F1?

Programming quest

1. Consider the accuracy estimates collected under a 5-fold CV for two predictive models M1 and M2, $acc_{M1} = (0.7, 0.5, 0.55, 0.55, 0.6)$ and $acc_{M2} = (0.75, 0.6, 0.6, 0.65, 0.55)$.

Using **scipy**, assess whether the differences in predictive accuracy are statistically significant.

Resource: https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.stats.ttest_rel.html

4. Consider the *housing* dataset available at <https://web.ist.utl.pt/~rmch/dscience/data/housing.arff> and the *Regression* notebook available at the course's webpage. Using a 10-fold cross-validation:
 - a) Assess the MAE of a kNN regressor for $k \in \{1, 5, 9\}$ (remaining parameters as default)
 - b) Compare the RMSE of the default kNN and decision tree regressors