

Machine Learning Programming Problem #1

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一. User Manual

Requirement

- Matlab (better r2015a)

How to run

- Simply run function “**HW1_main.m**”

Parameter setup

- Simply set in function “**HW1_main.m**”, as below:

```
7 | %-----Parameter setup-----
8 | delta = 0.01;
9 | epsolon = 0.1;
10 | mu = [2, 3];
11 | sigma_x = 1;
12 | sigma_y = 3;
13 | corr_coef = 0.5;
14 | sigma = [sigma_x^2, corr_coef*sigma_x*sigma_y; corr_coef*sigma_x*sigma_y, sigma_y^2];
15 | m = ceil((4/epsolon) * log(4/delta));
16 | %-----
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二. Introduction of my function

- HW1_main.h: the main function that set up the parameters and show the result.
- get_bivariate_normal_distribution.m: function used to generate the bivariate normal distribution.
- check_if_larger_3epsolon.m: function used to find the random concept of the sample size m.
- find_hs.m: function used to find out approximated hs(tightest rectangle of).
- estimate_error.m: function used to find the error of target concept and our hs.

三. My result

- (a) First, I choose correlation coefficient $\underline{r_{xy} = 0.5}$, consistent with the problem(a).
- (b) For $P(C) \geq 2 * \epsilon$, we must let the empirical probability $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{N} * \sum_{i=1}^N c(y_i) \geq 3 * \epsilon$.

The proof in the PDF is as below:

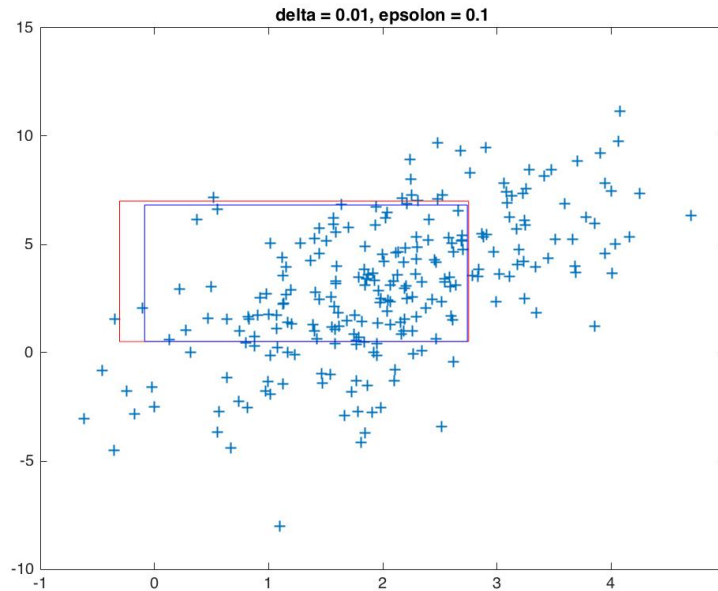
– It is usually difficult, if not impossible, to compute $P(c)$ for given P and c . We resort to an estimation of $P(c)$ as follows. Let $\tilde{S} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N)$ be a sample of size N drawn i.i.d. according to P . Then $c(\mathbf{y}_i)$ is 1 if $\mathbf{y}_i \in c$ and 0 if $\mathbf{y}_i \notin c$. Let $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N c(\mathbf{y}_i)$. It can be seen that \hat{p} is an unbiased estimator of $P(c)$, i.e., $E[\hat{p}] = P(c)$. The variance σ^2 of the estimator \hat{p} is $P(c)(1 - P(c))/N$ which will be very small for large N . Since $0 < P(c) < 1$, it is clear that $\sigma^2 \leq 1/(4N)$. By the central limit theorem, the distribution of $(\hat{p} - P(c))/\sigma$ is well approximated by the standard normal distribution for large enough N . Since $P((\hat{p} - P(c))/\sigma \leq 3.719) \simeq 0.9999$, with probability well approximated by 0.9999, we have $(\hat{p} - P(c))/\sigma \leq 3.719$, i.e., $P(c) \geq \hat{p} - 3.719\sigma$. Since $\sigma \leq 1/(2\sqrt{N})$, with probability at least 0.9999, $P(c) \geq \hat{p} - 1.8595/\sqrt{N}$. Let N_ϵ be an integer such that $1.8595/\sqrt{N_\epsilon} \leq \epsilon$. Then given a sample \tilde{S} of size $N_\epsilon = \lceil (1.8595/\epsilon)^2 \rceil$ drawn i.i.d. according to P , with a probability at least 0.9999, we have $P(c) \geq \hat{p} - \epsilon$. Thus with a confidence at least 0.9999, the probability $P(c)$ of a selected "unknown" concept c will be no less than 2ϵ if the empirical probability $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{N_\epsilon} \sum_{i=1}^{N_\epsilon} c(\mathbf{y}_i)$ is no less than 3ϵ .

If the message shows that "The selected empirical probability of concept c has $\hat{P}_{\text{hat}} \geq 3 \cdot \epsilon$!!!", that means we find the probability of the concept $P(C) \geq 2\epsilon$.

(c)

For $\delta = 0.01, \epsilon = 0.1$:

Sample size = 240 points, I get the following result:



Where the red rectangle is the target concept, and the blue rectangle is our estimated hs. With the empirical error is:

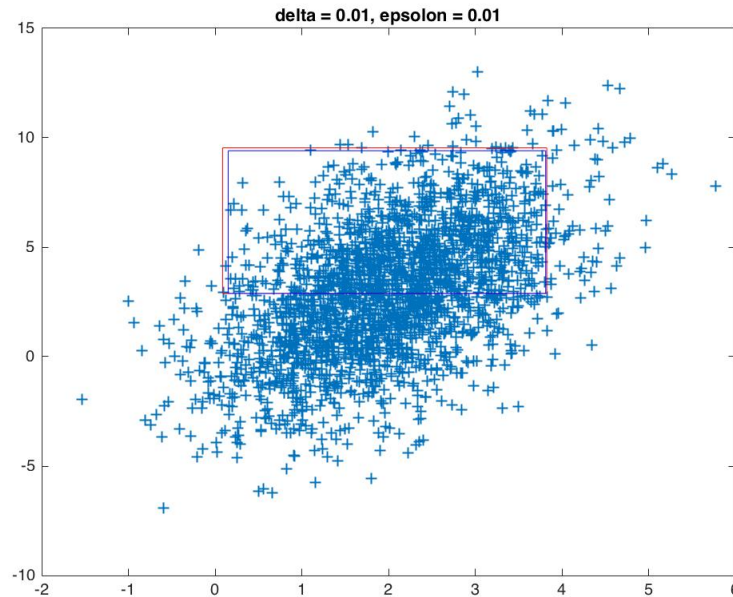
The selected empirical probability of concept c has $P(c) \geq 3 \cdot \epsilon$!!!

The Empirical error is:

0.0118

For $\delta = 0.01, \epsilon = 0.01$:

Sample size = 2397 points, I get the following result:



Where the red rectangle is the target concept, and the blue rectangle is our estimated h_S . With the empirical error is:

The selected empirical probability of concept c has $P(c) \geq 3 \cdot \epsilon$!!!

The Empirical error is:

0.0022

(d)

Generalization guarantee: Given a labeled sample S of size $m = \lceil \frac{4}{\epsilon} \ln \frac{4}{\delta} \rceil$, with probability at least $1 - \delta$, the generalization error $R(h_S)$ of the output h_S is upper bounded by ϵ . Your program should be able to verify this guarantee of your PAC-learning algorithm \mathbb{A} by running algorithm \mathbb{A} for $\lceil 10/\delta \rceil$ times and showing that at most 10 out of $\lceil 10/\delta \rceil$, h_S have $R(h_S) > \epsilon$.

For $\delta = 0.01, \epsilon = 0.1$:

The verification of the generalization error is as below:

The selected empirical probability of concept c has $P(c) \geq 3 \cdot \epsilon$!!!

Iteration:

1000

The Empirical error is:

0.0181

The number of $R(h_S)$ larger than ϵ is:

0

The result shows that no $R(h_S)$ is larger than ϵ . So we verify generalization guarantee.

For $\delta = 0.01, \epsilon = 0.01$:

The verification of the generalization error is as below:

The selected empirical probability of concept c has $P(c) \geq 3\epsilon$!!!

Iteration:

1000

The Empirical error is:

9.7907e-04

The number of $R(h_s)$ larger than ϵ is:

0

The result also shows that no $R(h_s)$ is larger than ϵ . So we verify generalization guarantee.