

Homework 1

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1. Using Bayes' theorem, we have

$$P(y | x) = \frac{P(x, y)}{p(x)} = \frac{P(x | y)P(y)}{P(x)}$$

Consider the cases where $X = 0$:

$$P(Y = 0 | X = 0) = \frac{\alpha \cdot 0.5}{0.5\alpha + 0.5(1 - \beta)} = \frac{\alpha}{1 + \alpha - \beta}$$

$$P(Y = 1 | X = 0) = \frac{(1 - \beta) \cdot 0.5}{0.5\alpha + 0.5(1 - \beta)} = \frac{1 - \beta}{1 + \alpha - \beta}$$

Since $\alpha > 1 - \beta$, our Naive Bayes classifier will predict $Y = 0$ when the input is $X = 1$.

Now consider when $X = 1$:

$$P(Y = 0 | X = 1) = \frac{(1 - \alpha) \cdot 0.5}{0.5(1 - \alpha) + 0.5\beta} = \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha + \beta}$$

$$P(Y = 1 | X = 1) = \frac{\beta \cdot 0.5}{0.5(1 - \alpha) + 0.5\beta} = \frac{\beta}{1 - \alpha + \beta}$$

$\beta > 1 - \alpha$, so the prediction will be $Y = 1$ when the input is $X = 0$

From the above equations, we can infer the probability of the classifier making an error is

$$\begin{aligned} (X = 0, Y = 1) + P(X = 1, Y = 0) &= P(X = 0 | Y = 1)P(Y = 1) \\ &\quad + P(X = 1 | Y = 0)P(Y = 0) \\ &= 0.5(1 - \beta) + 0.5(1 - \alpha) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

2. WLOG, assume $\theta_j^{(1)} > \theta_j^{(2)}$. This means training on D_1 gives us a $\theta_j^{(1)} > \theta_j^{(2)}$, meaning D_2 has data that will make the value of θ_j smaller, that data being $D_2 - D_1$. Training on $D_1 \cup D_2$ is essentially training on D_1 and then training on $D_2 - D_1$, which will give us a $\theta_j^* \leq \theta_j^{(1)}$. $\theta_j^* \geq \theta_j^{(2)}$ can be proved in the same way.
3. Suppose towards a contradiction that $\|\theta^*\|_2^2 > \|\hat{\theta}\|_2^2$. By definition, we have that

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \min_{\theta} J(\theta)$$

and

$$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} J(\theta) + \|\theta\|_2^2$$

and that

$$J(\hat{\theta}) \leq J(\theta^*)$$

Based on our assumption, we have

$$J(\hat{\theta}) + \|\hat{\theta}\|_2^2 < J(\theta^*) + \|\theta^*\|_2^2$$

. This contradicts the definition of θ^* . Therefore our assumption must be false.

4. Since $(p - r)^2 \geq 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} p^2 + r^2 - 2pr &\geq 0 \\ p^2 + r^2 + 2pr &\geq 4pr \\ (p + r)^2 &\geq 4pr \\ \frac{1}{2}(p + r) &\geq \frac{2pr}{p + r} \end{aligned}$$

So the arithmetic mean of precision and recall is always greater than or equal to F-measure.

When $p = r$, F-measure =

$$\frac{2pr}{p + r} = \frac{2p^2}{2p} = \frac{2p}{2} = \frac{p + r}{2}$$

When $F = \frac{p+r}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2pr}{p + r} &= \frac{p + r}{2} \\ \frac{4pr}{p + r} &= p + r \\ 4pr &= (p + r)^2 \\ 0 &= p^2 - 2pr + r^2 = (p - r)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow p = r \end{aligned}$$