

MACHINE LEARNING FOR DATA STREAMS

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- See “A Survey on Supervised Classification on Data Streams” for information about naïve Bayes for data streams.
 - The naïve Bayes approach is intrinsically incremental and can be easily updated on-line. To do so, **it is sufficient to update some counts in order to estimate the univariate conditional probabilities**. These probabilities are based on an estimate of the densities; this problem can be viewed as **the incremental estimation of the conditional densities**
 - The naïve Bayes classifier uses conditional probabilities estimates. **These estimates are usually done after a discretization of the explicative variables**. In the stream mining context this first step needs dedicated methods as most off-line methods usually need to load all the data in memory. In the literature, two kinds of publication related to incremental discretization can be found. **The articles related to data-mining are not numerous** but the literature related to database provides much more articles because the database systems (DBMS) need to have good estimates of the data distribution.

1. Incremental Weighted Naive Bayes Classifiers (2014):

- Presents a new method based on a graphical model close to a neural network which computes the weights on the input variables using a stochastic estimation. The method is incremental and produces an Weighted Naive Bayes Classifier for data stream. This weighting produces a single model close to an “averaged naïve Bayes classifier” a “weighted naïve Bayes classifier”.
- Its complexity to predict is very low which makes it suitable and widely used for stream mining prediction (only depends on the number of explanatory variables).
- Its memory consumption is also low since it requires only one conditional probability density estimation per variable.
- The method used to update the weights is the one used usually for a standard back-propagation and three main parameters have to be considered (Lecun et al. (1998)) in the case of stochastic gradient descent: (i) the cost function; (ii) the number of iterations; (iii) the learning rate.
- The conditional density probabilities used as inputs on their graphical model are estimated using three methods: their two layers incremental discretization method based on order statistics as described in (Salperwyck

and Lemaire (2013)) (ii) a two layer discretization method “cPiD” which is a modified version of the PiD method of Gama (Gama and Pinto (2006)) (iii) and a Gaussian approximation.

- Their WNB approach uses a low amount of memory thanks to the two level approach to estimate the conditional densities, and is purely incremental thanks to the graphical model and the stochastic gradient descent to estimate the weights.
- Comparison (Weighted Naive Bayes trained online with the two level discretization method which uses GKClass (level 1) and the MODL discretization (level 2) and our method based on the graphical method to estimate the weights.)with naive Bayes (NB) trained offline with the MODL discretization and all the data in memory; (2) an Averaged Naive Bayes (ANB) trained offline with the MODL discretization and a Naive Bayes trained online with the two level discretization method which uses GKClass (level 1) and the MODL discretization (level 2):
 - It improves the performance compared to the non-weighted version and is close to the off-line averaged version of the naive Bayes classifier.
 - They think they can improve the results in future work:
 - Use the GK Class summaries as "mini-batch" (Cotter et al. (2011)) and do several iterations to speed up the gradient descent.
 - Use an adaptive learning rate: high at the beginning and low after, or to take into account the error rate as in (Kuncheva and Plumpton (2008))
 - See results for more specific information.

2. RGNBC: Rough Gaussian Naïve Bayes Classifier for Data Stream Classification with Recurring Concept Drift (2016):

- Two new contributions are made to handle the challenges of recurring concept drift. The first contribution is to **utilize the rough set theory for detecting the concept drift**. Then, gaussian naïve classifier is modified mathematically to **handle the dynamic data without using the historic data**. Also, the classification is performed using the posterior probability and the objective function which considers the multiple criteria.
- The problem considered here is to perform the data stream classification by considering the recurring concept drift.
- The important problem considered here is the recurring concept drift where the dimension of the features is varied for every time.
- **Methodology**: At first, input data stream is directly read out by the proposed method at every time and the GNBC is built up initially by constructing the information table. Then, for new incoming data stream, concept of change (COD) is detected using rough set theory which have the accuracy of approximation. Once the COD is detected, the GNBC

model is updated based on the new mathematical model developed in this work. This model updates the existing model based on the new data stream without storing the data tuples. Also, the proposed method utilizes the feature evaluation function and information table to handle the recurring concept drift.

- The Gaussian naïve bayes classifier performs the classification using two important steps such as, construction of model and classification. At the model construction, the information table is constructed by including mean and variance of the every attributes. In the classification stage, the posterior probability is computed to find the class label of the input data.
- The updating of model happen only if the newly arrived data have the **concept drift** which means that the boundary of the data is changed heavily either inside or outside.
- The detecting concept change is performed using the lower approximation and upper approximation which is taken from the rough set theory.
- **Comparison with MReC-DFS (Ensemble):**
 - MReC-DFS utilized the Naive Bayes (NB) algorithm with ensemble weighting mechanism to handle the recurring concept drift for data stream classification. In their method, the ensemble weight mechanism considered the accuracy and error values. But, due to the dynamic nature of data, classes and data samples are not constant over the period of time. So, considering accuracy and error may affect the performance of the classification if one class attribute has bigger data samples. So, the multiple objective criteria like, sensitivity, specificity should be included to ensemble weighting.