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Lab 4: *k*NN and Evaluation

Practical exercises

Consider the following data:

	input		output	
	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4
\mathbf{x}_1	1	1	A	1.4
\mathbf{x}_2	2	1	B	0.5
\mathbf{x}_3	2	3	B	2
\mathbf{x}_4	3	3	B	2.2
\mathbf{x}_5	1	0	A	0.7
\mathbf{x}_6	1	4	A	1.2

1. Assuming a k -nearest neighbor with $k=3$ applied within a leave-one-out schema:
 - a) Let y_3 be the output variable (*categorical*). Classify \mathbf{x}_1 when considering uniform weights and:
 - i. Euclidean (l_2) distance (real input variables)
 - ii. Hamming distance (categorical input variables)
 - b) Let y_4 be the output variable (*numeric*). Considering cosine similarity, provide the mean regression estimate for \mathbf{x}_1 .
 - c) Consider a weighted-distance k -nearest neighbor with Euclidean (l_2) distance, identify the:
 - i. weighted mode estimate of \mathbf{x}_1 for the y_3 outcome
 - ii. weighted mean estimate of \mathbf{x}_1 for the y_4 outcome
2. Let x_j be the measurement on variable y_j for a given observation \mathbf{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
$$\mathbf{p}(y_3 = A | \mathbf{x}) = [p(y_3 = A | \mathbf{x}_1), \dots, p(y_3 = A | \mathbf{x}_6)] = [0.45 \ 0.4 \ 0.3 \ 0.6 \ 0.8 \ 0.4]$$
 - 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