

# Homework 2

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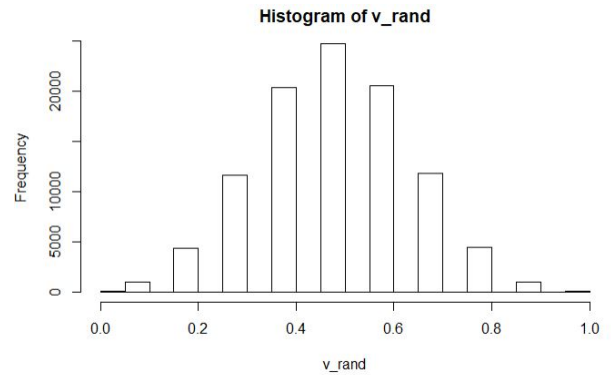
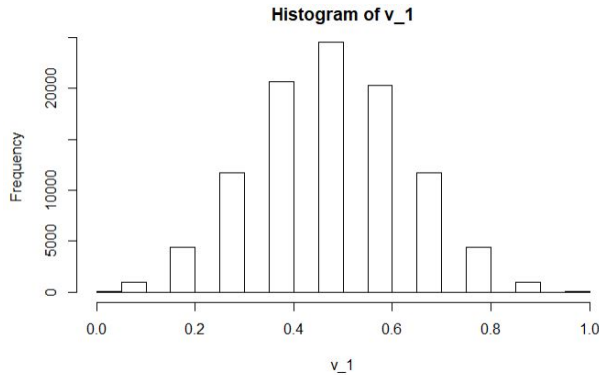
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**Exercise 1.8.** There are two possibilities: 0 red or 1 red. 0 red happens with probability  $(0.1)^{10}$ . 1 red happens with probability  $10 \cdot (0.1)^9 \cdot 0.9$ . The overall probability is  $9.1 \cdot 10^{-9}$ .

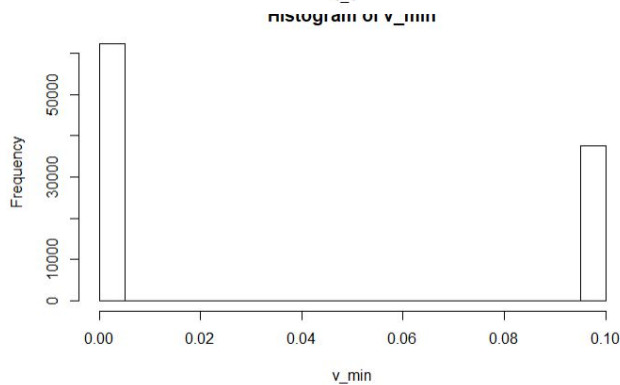
**Exercise 1.9.** Using the Hoeffding bound, we have  $P[|\nu - \mu| > 0.8] \leq 2e^{-2(0.8)^2 \cdot 10} \approx 5.521 \cdot 10^{-6}$ . This is still a small probability but larger than the value computed in Exercise 1.8.

**Exercise 1.10.**

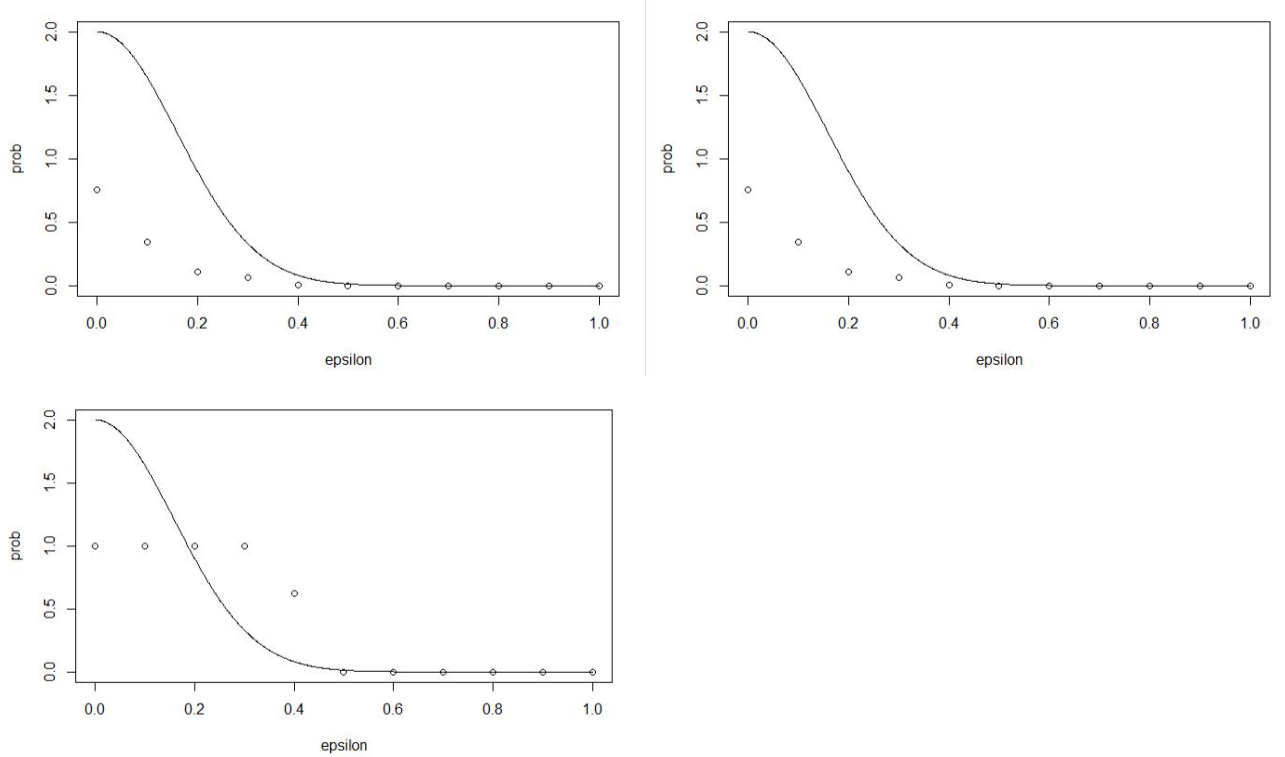
(a) The value of  $\mu$  is 0.5 for all coins.



(b)



(c)



The first two are for  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_{\text{rand}}$ . The last is for  $\nu_{\text{min}}$ .

- (d) We can see that the Hoeffding bound holds for  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_{\text{rand}}$ . It does not hold for  $\nu_{\text{min}}$ .
- (e) Our 1000 different coins are the multiple bins. We cannot use the Hoeffding bound on a non-fixed bin like  $\nu_{\text{min}}$  which performed the best.

**Exercise 1.11.**

- (a) No S cannot guarantee to produce a better hypothesis.
- (b) Yes, It is possible C produces a better hypothesis. It is possible we were just unlucky.
- (c) We are looking for the probability that S will choose a better hypothesis than C. This will happen if a minority of the points are positive. This probability is equal to

$$\sum_{i=0}^{12} \binom{25}{i} (0.9)^i (0.1)^{25-i} \approx 1.62 \cdot 10^{-7}$$

- (d) There is no value of  $\mu$  that C is more likely to produce a better hypothesis.

**Exercise 1.12.** We can only guarantee (c).

**Problem 1.3.**

- (a) We know that  $\mathbf{x}$  is properly classified by  $\mathbf{w}^*$  because the data is linearly separable. This yields two cases. First, suppose that we have a true positive. This means that  $h(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x}) > 0$  while  $y > 0$ . Thus,  $\mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x} > 0$ . Thus,  $y \mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x} > 0$ . Second, suppose that we have a true negative. This means that  $h(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x}) < 0$  while  $y < 0$ . Thus,  $\mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x} < 0$ . Thus,  $y \mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x} > 0$ . The result thus holds in both cases. Because this holds for all  $\mathbf{x}$  it holds for the minimum. Thus,  $\rho = \min_{1 \leq n \leq N} y_n \mathbf{w}^{*T} \mathbf{x}_n > 0$

- (b) We will prove  $\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^* \geq \mathbf{w}^T(t-1)\mathbf{w}^* + \rho$ . Consider the quantity  $\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^*$ . From the definition of the update rule we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^* &= [\mathbf{w}(t-1) + y(t-1)\mathbf{x}(t-1)]^T \mathbf{w}^* \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T(t-1)\mathbf{w}^* + y(t-1)\mathbf{w}^{*T}\mathbf{x}(t-1) \\ &\geq \mathbf{w}^T(t-1)\mathbf{w}^* + \rho\end{aligned}$$

We will now show by induction that  $\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^* \geq t\rho$ . For the base case, we will show that  $\mathbf{w}^T(0)\mathbf{w}^* \geq 0$ . This is true because  $\mathbf{w}(0) = 0$ . For the inductive step, we will assume  $\mathbf{w}^T(k)\mathbf{w}^* \geq k\rho$ . We will try to prove  $\mathbf{w}^T(k+1)\mathbf{w}^* \geq (k+1)\rho$ . This is true as  $\mathbf{w}^T(k+1)\mathbf{w}^* \geq \mathbf{w}^T(k)\mathbf{w}^* + \rho \geq k\rho + \rho = (k+1)\rho$ . Thus, we have that for all  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^* \geq t\rho$ .

- (c) Consider the quantity  $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|^2$ . By the update step, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{w}(t-1) + y(t-1)\mathbf{x}(t-1)\|^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{w}(t-1)\|^2 + 2y(t-1)\mathbf{w}(t-1)^T\mathbf{x}(t-1) + y(t-1)^2\|\mathbf{x}(t-1)\|^2 \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{w}(t-1)\|^2 + \|\mathbf{x}(t-1)\|^2\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $y(t-1)\mathbf{w}(t-1)^T\mathbf{x}(t-1) < 0$  when a point is misclassified as follows from (a). Thus, it follows that  $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{w}(t-1)\|^2 + \|\mathbf{x}(t-1)\|^2$ .

- (d) We will now show by induction that  $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|^2 \geq tR^2$ . For the base case, we will show that  $\|\mathbf{w}(0)\|^2 \geq 0$ . This is true because  $\mathbf{w}(0) = 0$ . For the inductive step, we will assume  $\|\mathbf{w}(k)\|^2 \geq kR^2$ . We will try to prove  $\|\mathbf{w}(k+1)\|^2 \geq (k+1)R^2$ . This is true as  $\|\mathbf{w}(k+1)\|^2 \geq \|\mathbf{w}(k)\|^2 + \|\mathbf{x}(k)\|^2 \geq kR^2 + R^2 = (k+1)R^2$ . Thus, we have that for all  $t$ ,  $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|^2 \geq tR^2$ .

- (e) Note that from (d), we have  $\|\mathbf{w}(t)\| \geq \sqrt{t}R$ . Now consider the quantity  $\frac{\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^*}{\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|}$ .

$$\frac{\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^*}{\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|} \geq \frac{t\rho}{\sqrt{t}R} = \sqrt{t}\frac{\rho}{R}$$

Consider the angle between  $\mathbf{w}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{w}^*$ . The cosine of this angle is less than 1. Thus, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\mathbf{w}^T(t)\mathbf{w}^*}{\|\mathbf{w}(t)\|\|\mathbf{w}^*\|} &\leq 1 \\ \sqrt{t}\frac{\rho}{R\|\mathbf{w}^*\|} &\leq 1 \\ t &\leq \frac{R^2\|\mathbf{w}^*\|^2}{\rho^2}\end{aligned}$$

### Problem 1.7.

- (a) When  $\mu = 0.05$ , for 1 coin, 1000 coins and 1000000 coins, we have probabilities of 0.60, 1 and 1 respectively. When  $\mu = 0.8$ , for 1 coin, 1000 coins and 1000000 coins, we have probabilities of  $1.024 \cdot 10^{-7}$ ,  $1.024 \cdot 10^{-4}$  and 0.097 respectively.

(b)

