Text Categorization: Discriminative Classifiers

Part 1

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Overview

- What is text categorization?
- Why text categorization?
- How to do text categorization?
 - Generative probabilistic models
 - Discriminative approaches
- How to evaluate categorization results?

Anatomy of Naïve Bayes Classifier

Two categories: θ_1 and θ_2

$$score(d) = \log \frac{p(\theta_1 \mid d)}{p(\theta_2 \mid d)} = \log \frac{p(\theta_1) \prod_{w \in V} p(w \mid \theta_1)^{c(w,d)}}{p(\theta_2) \prod_{w \in V} p(w \mid \theta_2)^{c(w,d)}}$$

$$= \log \frac{p(\theta_1)}{p(\theta_2)} + \sum_{w \in V} c(w,d) \log \frac{p(w \mid \theta_1)}{p(w \mid \theta_2)}$$
 Weight on each word (feature) β_i doesn't depend on d! Sum over all words Feature value: $x = c(w,d)$

Sum over all words (features $\{x_i\}$)

Feature value: x_i=c(w,d)



$$d = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_M), x_i \in \mathcal{Y}$$

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$$score(d) = \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^M x_i \beta_i \quad \beta_i \in \Re$$
 = Logistic Regression!

Discriminative Classifier 1: Logistic Regression

Binary Response Variable: Y ∈{0,1}

Predictors:
$$X = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_M), x_i \in \Re$$

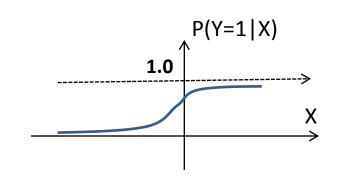
$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{category}(d) = \theta_1 \\ 0 & \text{category}(d) = \theta_2 \end{cases}$$

Modeling p(Y|X) directly

Allow many other features than words!

$$log \frac{p(\theta_1 \mid d)}{p(\theta_2 \mid d)} = log \frac{p(Y = 1 \mid X)}{p(Y = 0 \mid X)} = log \frac{p(Y = 1 \mid X)}{1 - p(Y = 1 \mid X)} = \beta_0 + \sum\nolimits_{i = 1}^{M} x_i \beta_i \quad \beta_i \in \Re$$

$$p(Y = 1 \mid X) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i \beta_i}}{e^{\beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i \beta_i} + 1}$$



Estimation of Parameters

- Training Data: T={(Xi, Yi)}, i=1,2, ..., |T|
- Parameters: $\vec{\beta} = (\beta_0, \beta_1, ..., \beta_M)$
- Conditional likelihood: $p(T | \vec{\beta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{|T|} p(Y = Y_i | X = X_i, \vec{\beta})$

$$p(Y = 1 \mid X) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i \beta_i}}{e^{\beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i \beta_i} + 1} \qquad p(Y = 0 \mid X) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i \beta_i} + 1}$$

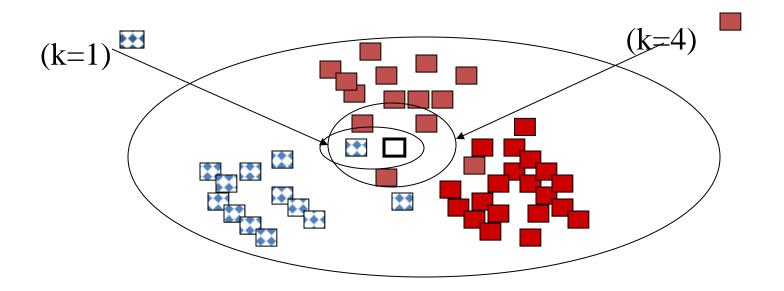
• Maximum Likelihood estimate $\vec{\beta}^* = \arg \max_{\vec{\beta}} p(T | \vec{\beta})$

Can be computed in many ways (e.g., Newton's method)

Discriminative Classifier 2: K-Nearest Neighbors (K-NN)

- Find k examples in the training set that are most similar to the text object to be classified ("neighbor" documents)
- Assign the category that is most common in these neighbor text objects (neighbors vote for the category)
- Can be improved by considering the distance of a neighbor (a closer neighbor has more influence)
- Can be regarded as a way to directly estimate the conditional probability of label given data instance, i.e., p(Y|X)
- Need a similarity function to measure similarity of two text objects

Illustration of K-NN Classifier



K-NN as an Estimate of p(Y|X)

