

Assignment1

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1 Assignment 1

This is my submission for Assignment 1 for my Machine Learning module (CS3920). Below is the core functionality of my machine learning algorithm. I opted to use the nearest neighbour (NN) method and a conformal predictor.

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[67]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import time
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

iris = load_iris()
iris_label_space = np.array([0,1,2])

ion_X = np.genfromtxt("ionosphere.txt", delimiter=",", usecols=np.arange(34))
ion_y = np.genfromtxt("ionosphere.txt", delimiter=",", usecols=34, dtype="int")
ion_label_space = np.array([1,-1])

iris_X_train, iris_X_test, iris_y_train, iris_y_test = \
    ↪train_test_split(iris['data'], iris['target'], random_state=2408)
ion_X_train, ion_X_test, ion_y_train, ion_y_test = train_test_split(ion_X, \
    ↪ion_y, random_state=2408)

def computeEuclideanNorm(vector: np.ndarray) -> float:
    """
        Computes the Euclidean norm of a vector by adding the squares of each
        ↪value and square rooting
    """

    total = 0
    for i in range(0,vector.size):
        total += vector[i] * vector[i]

    return np.sqrt(total)
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def calculateEuclideanDistance(v1: np.ndarray, v2: np.ndarray) -> float:
    """
        Calculates the Euclidean distance between two points by computing the
        ↪Euclidean norm of the vector distance
    """
    diff = np.subtract(v1, v2)
    return (computeEuclideanNorm(diff))

def computeDistances(sample: np.ndarray, training_set: np.ndarray) -> np.
    ↪ndarray:
    """
        Calculates the distances from the given sample to all other points
    """

    result = np.zeros(len(training_set))
    for i in range(0, len(training_set)):
        result[i] = calculateEuclideanDistance(sample, training_set[i])

    return result

def computeMinimum(a: np.ndarray):
    """
        Calculates the minimum value of an array and returns it, along with its
        ↪index
    """

    current_min = np.inf
    min_index = np.inf
    for n in range(a.size):
        if current_min > a[n]:
            current_min = a[n]
            min_index = n

    return current_min, min_index

def computeMaximum(a: np.ndarray):
    """
        Calculates the maximum value of an array and returns it, along with its
        ↪index
    """

    current_max = -np.inf
    max_index = -np.inf
    for i in range(a.size):

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        if current_max < a[i]:
            current_max = a[i]
            max_index = i

    return current_max, max_index

# IMPROVED CALCULATE NNs
def calculateNNs(index: int, sample_y: int, y_training_set: np.ndarray,
    ↪ distances: np.ndarray):
    """
        Calculate the nearest numbers by taking in a matrix of distances
    """
    nn_dist_same = np.inf
    nn_index_same = -1
    nn_dist_diff = np.inf
    nn_index_diff = -1

    for i in range(len(y_training_set)):
        if i == index:
            continue # skip comparing sample to itself

        dist = distances[index][i]

        if y_training_set[i] == sample_y:
            if dist < nn_dist_same:
                nn_dist_same = dist
                nn_index_same = i
            else:
                if dist < nn_dist_diff:
                    nn_dist_diff = dist
                    nn_index_diff = i

    return nn_dist_same, nn_index_same, nn_dist_diff, nn_index_diff

def calculateConformityScores(sample_X: np.ndarray, sample_y: np.ndarray,
    ↪ X_training_set: np.ndarray, y_training_set: np.ndarray):
    """
        Calculates the conformity score of a sample, using the NN of the same
    ↪ class / NN of different class.
    """
    X_aug = np.concatenate((sample_X.reshape(1, -1), X_training_set), axis=0)
    y_aug = np.concatenate(([sample_y], y_training_set)) # additional sample
    ↪ will be the FIRST in augmented set

    n = len(X_aug)
    scores = np.zeros(n)

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distances = np.zeros((n, n))
for i in range(0, n):
    for j in range(i + 1, n):
        dist = calculateEuclideanDistance(X_aug[i], X_aug[j])
        distances[i][j] = dist
        distances[j][i] = dist

for i in range(0, n):
    nn_dist_same, _, nn_dist_diff, _ = calculateNNs(i, y_aug[i], y_aug,
↪distances)

    if nn_dist_same == 0:
        if nn_dist_diff == 0:
            scores[i] = 0
        else:
            scores[i] = np.inf
    else:
        scores[i] = nn_dist_diff / nn_dist_same

"""
# OLD IMPLEMENTATION
for i in range(0, len(y_aug)):
    X_new = np.delete(X_aug, i, axis=0)
    y_new = np.delete(y_aug, i)
    nn_dist_same, _, nn_dist_diff, _ = calculateNNs(X_aug[i], y_aug[i],
↪X_new, y_new)
    conformity_score = 0
    if nn_dist_same == 0:
        if nn_dist_diff == 0:
            conformity_score = 0
        else:
            conformity_score = np.inf
    else:
        conformity_score = nn_dist_diff / nn_dist_same

    scores[i] = conformity_score
"""
return scores

def calculatePValue(scores):
    """
    Calculate a given p-value given the conformity scores
    """
    test_score = scores[0]
    other_scores = scores[1:]

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rank = 0
for score in other_scores:
    if score <= test_score:
        rank += 1

p_value = (rank + 1) / len(scores)
return p_value

def predict(Y, sample_X, X_training_set, y_training_set):
    """
        Makes a prediction by computing p-values of all possible labels and
        selecting the highest one
    """

    Y_size = len(Y)
    p_values = np.zeros(Y_size)
    for i in range(0, Y_size):
        label = Y[i]
        scores = calculateConformityScores(sample_X, label, X_training_set,
        y_training_set)
        p_values[i] = calculatePValue(scores)

    _, p = computeMaximum(p_values)

    return Y[p]

def score(predictions: np.ndarray, y_test_set: np.ndarray):
    """
        Score the prediction set against the set of actual labels
    """
    return np.mean(predictions == y_test_set)

start = time.time()

X_train_set = ion_X_train
y_train_set = ion_y_train
X_test_set = ion_X_test
y_test_set = ion_y_test
Y = ion_label_space

sample_sizes = np.arange(1, len(X_test_set) + 1)
error_rates = np.zeros_like(sample_sizes, dtype=float)

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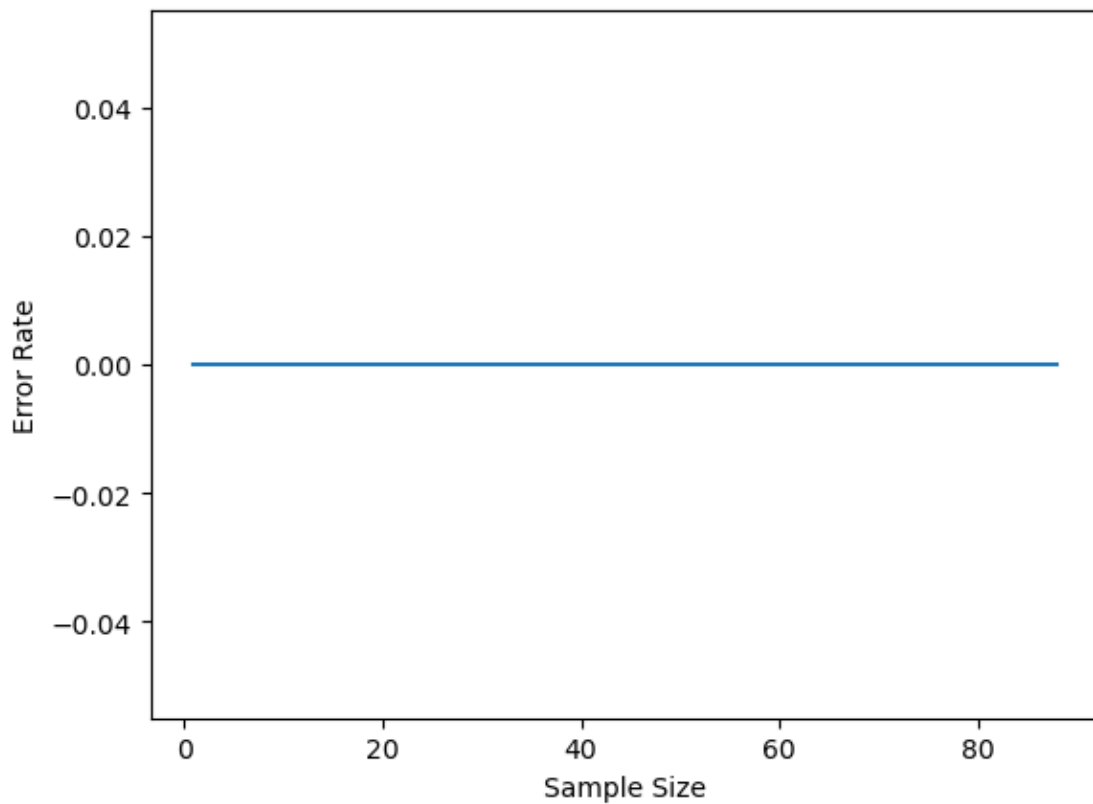
"""
for i, size in enumerate(sample_sizes):
    current_X_test = X_test_set[:size]
    current_y_test = y_test_set[:size]
    current_predictions = np.zeros(size)

    for j in range(size):
        current_predictions[j] = predict(Y, current_X_test[j], X_train_set,
y_train_set)

    s = score(current_predictions, current_y_test)
    error_rates[i] = 1 - s
    print("Progress: {:.2f}%".format(((i+1)/sample_sizes.size) * 100), end="\r")
"""
plt.plot(sample_sizes, error_rates)
plt.xlabel('Sample Size')
plt.ylabel('Error Rate')
print("\nCompleted in", time.time() - start, "seconds")

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Completed in 0.012778997421264648 seconds



1.1 Improvements

I noticed using some older implementations of certain algorithms (particularly the NN algorithm) massively impacted running times. Where possible, I tried to implement mitigations to speed up running times.

1.1.1 Nearest Neighbour Algorithm

Below is an old implementation of my nearest neighbour algorithm.

```
[23]: # OLD IMPLEMENTATION
def calculateNNsOld(sample_X: np.ndarray, sample_y: np.ndarray, X_training_set: np.ndarray, y_training_set: np.ndarray):
    nn_dist_same = np.inf
    nn_index_same = np.inf
    nn_dist_diff = np.inf
    nn_index_diff = np.inf

    for i in range(0, len(X_training_set)):
        if y_training_set[i] == sample_y:
            d = calculateEuclideanDistance(sample_X, X_training_set[i])
            if d < nn_dist_same:
                nn_dist_same = d
                nn_index_same = i
        else:
            d = calculateEuclideanDistance(sample_X, X_training_set[i])
            if d < nn_dist_diff:
                nn_dist_diff = d
                nn_index_diff = i

    # print("Nearest (same):", X_training_set[nn_index_same], "Class:", y_training_set[nn_index_same], "Distance:", nn_dist_same)
    # print("Nearest (diff):", X_training_set[nn_index_diff], "Class:", y_training_set[nn_index_diff], "Distance:", nn_dist_diff)

    return nn_dist_same, nn_index_same, nn_dist_diff, nn_index_diff
```

I noticed this massively hindered performance as the distances to every other sample were being recalculated every single time, giving $O(n^2)$. I then opted to improve this by using a matrix data structure to store the distances, so that they only need to be computed once, and can be accessed multiple times. This improved running time significantly. Below I will demonstrate an experiment using the old implementation of the `calculateConformityScores` method, and compare it to the new one.

```
[24]: def calculateConformityScoresOld(sample_X, sample_y, X_training_set, y_training_set):
    X_aug = np.concatenate((sample_X.reshape(1, -1), X_training_set), axis=0)
    y_aug = np.concatenate([sample_y, y_training_set]) # additional sample
    # will be the FIRST in augmented set
```

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scores = np.zeros(len(y_aug))

for i in range(0, len(y_aug)):
    X_new = np.delete(X_aug, i, axis=0)
    y_new = np.delete(y_aug, i)
    nn_dist_same, _, nn_dist_diff, _ = calculateNNsOld(X_aug[i], y_aug[i],
↪X_new, y_new)
    conformity_score = 0
    if nn_dist_same == 0:
        if nn_dist_diff == 0:
            conformity_score = 0
        else:
            conformity_score = np.inf
    else:
        conformity_score = nn_dist_diff / nn_dist_same

scores[i] = conformity_score

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[73]: old_times_ion = np.zeros(len(ion_X_test))
for i in range(0, len(ion_X_test)):
    start_old = time.time()
    calculateConformityScoresOld(ion_X_test[i], ion_y_test[i], ion_X_train,
↪ion_y_train)
    o = time.time() - start_old
    old_times_ion[i] = o

new_times_ion = np.zeros(len(ion_X_test))
for j in range(0, len(ion_X_test)):
    start_new = time.time()
    calculateConformityScores(ion_X_test[0], ion_y_test[0], ion_X_train,
↪ion_y_train)
    n = time.time() - start_new
    new_times_ion[j] = n

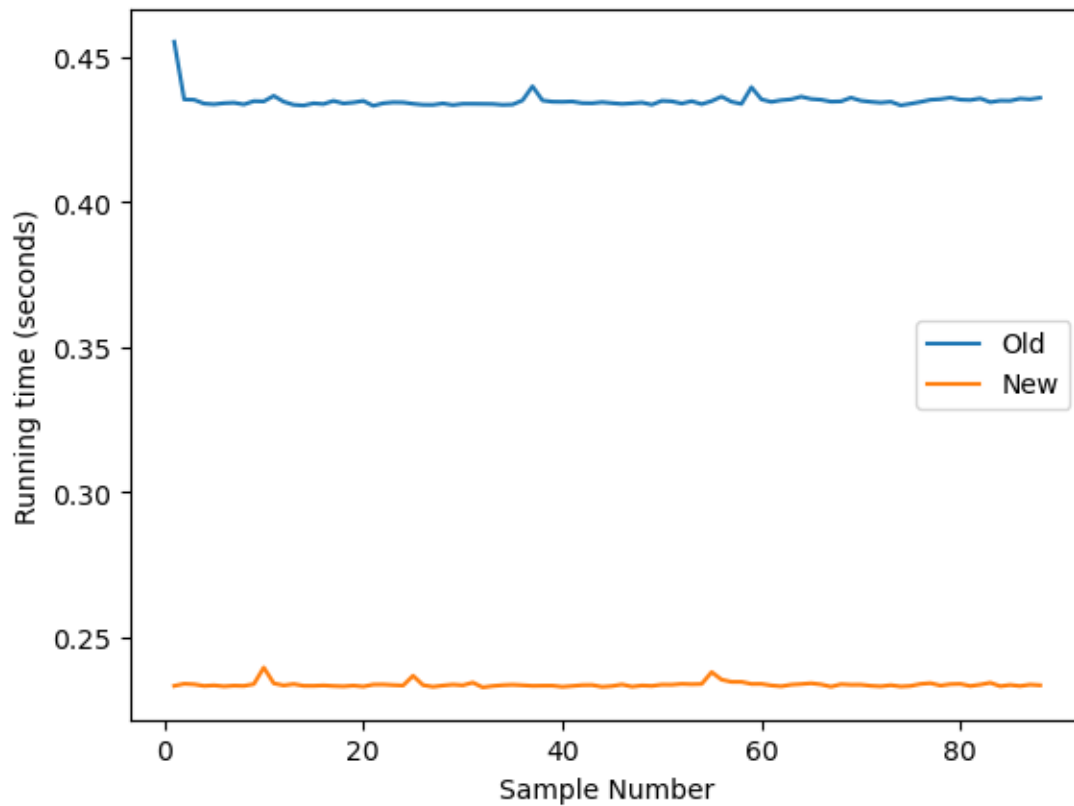
x = np.arange(1, len(ion_X_test) + 1)
plt.plot(x, old_times, label="Old")
plt.plot(x, new_times, label="New")
plt.xlabel("Sample Number")
plt.ylabel("Running time (seconds)")
plt.legend()
plt.show()

print("Old implementation completed in average:", np.mean(old_times_ion),
↪"seconds")
print("New implementation completed in average:", np.mean(new_times_ion),
↪"seconds")

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print("\nIncrease in efficiency of new implementation: {:.2f}%".format((np.
↳ mean(new_times_ion)/np.mean(old_times_ion)) * 100))
```



Old implementation completed in average: 0.4352774349125949 seconds
 New implementation completed in average: 0.23380681601437656 seconds

Increase in efficiency of new implementation: 53.71%

1.2 Calculating the Score of the Model on the Iris Dataset

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[19]: iris_predictions = np.zeros(len(iris_X_test))
for i in range(0, len(iris_X_test)):
    iris_predictions[i] = predict(iris_label_space, iris_X_test[i],
↳ iris_X_train, iris_y_train)

s = score(iris_predictions, iris_y_test)

print("Model Score:", s, "\nError Rate: {:.2f}%".format((1 - s) * 100))
```

Model Score: 0.9736842105263158
 Error Rate: 2.63%

1.3 Calculating the Score of the Model on the Ionosphere Dataset

```
[20]: ion_predictions = np.zeros(len(ion_X_test))
      for j in range(0, len(ion_X_test)):
          ion_predictions[j] = predict(ion_label_space, ion_X_test[i], ion_X_train,
          ↪ion_y_train)

      s = score(ion_predictions, ion_y_test)

      print("Model Score:", s, "\nError Rate: {:.2f}%".format((1 - s) * 100))
```

Model Score: 0.6136363636363636

Error Rate: 38.64%

1.4 Calculating the Average False P-Values

Before calculating the average false p-values for both datasets, I will first lay out the function I am going to use to do this. The function takes in the X and y training sets, as well as the label space Y and the true label for the sample. The function works on a sample-by-sample basis, so for each sample it calculates the average false p-values. It does this by checking if the label we are currently calculating a p-value for is the *true* label. If so, we can skip it. If not, we calculate the conformity scores, the *p_value*, and add it to the list of p-values. From this, we simply calculate the average using `np.mean`.

```
[ ]: def calculateAverageFalsePValues(Y, sample_X, X_training_set, y_training_set,
    ↪true_y):
      Y_size = len(Y)
      false_p_values = []

      for i in range(0, Y_size):
          label = Y[i]
          if label != true_y:
              scores = calculateConformityScores(sample_X, label, X_training_set,
              ↪y_training_set)
              p_value = calculatePValue(scores)
              false_p_values.append(p_value)

      return np.mean(false_p_values)
```

We can now apply this function to the Iris dataset.

```
[11]: total_false_p_values = np.zeros(len(iris_X_test))
      for i in range(0, len(iris_X_test)):
          total_false_p_values[i] = calculateAverageFalsePValues(iris_label_space,
          ↪iris_X_test[i], iris_X_train, iris_y_train, iris_y_test[i])

      print("Total average false p-value:", np.mean(total_false_p_values))
```

Total average false p-value: 0.011178388448998605

And now the same for the Ionosphere dataset.

```
[12]: total_false_p_values = np.zeros(len(ion_X_test))
      for i in range(0, len(ion_X_test)):
          total_false_p_values[i] = calculateAverageFalsePValues(ion_label_space,
          ↪ion_X_test[i], ion_X_train, ion_y_train, ion_y_test[i])

      print("Total average false p-value:", np.mean(total_false_p_values))
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Total average false p-value: 0.0625