

Exercise 118.1 : Vapnik - Chervonienkis dimension

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{C}_{(N+1, N)} &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k} \\ &= 2 \sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k} 1^k 1^{N-k} \\ &= 2 \cdot 2^N = 2^{N+1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\underbrace{\hat{C}_{(N+1, N)}}_{2^{N+1}} + \hat{C}_{(N+1, N-1)} = \hat{C}_{(N+2, N)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{C}_{(N+1, N-1)} &= 2 \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \binom{N}{k} \\ &= 2 \cdot \left(\underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k}}_{2^N} - 1 \right) \\ &= 2^{N+1} - 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{C}_{(N+2, N)} = 2^{N+1} + 2^{N+1} - 2 = 2^{N+2} - 2 < 2^{N+2}$$

We have $\hat{C}_{(N+1, N)} = 2^{N+1}$ and $\hat{C}_{(N+2, N)} < 2^{N+2}$

so Vapnik - Chervonienkis dimension $d_{VC} = N+1$.