Introduction to Data Science (IDS) course

Evaluation of Supervised Learning Problems

Lecture 9

IDS-L9-I





I will give you a set of numbers (in no specific order), one by one.

Your task is to individuate a "rule" that all numbers follow. Examples of rules:

- "Prime numbers"
- "Odd numbers"



8



8,64



8, 64, 256



8, 64, 256, 128



8, 64, 256, 128, 32



8, 64, 256, 128, 32, 24



8, 64, 256, 128, 32, 24, 72



Solution: the rule is "multiples of 8".



Did some of you, at a certain point, guessed "powers of 2"?

Your hypothesis was *overfitting* the data. The rule was too specific for the set of numbers, and so unable to generalize to unseen values.

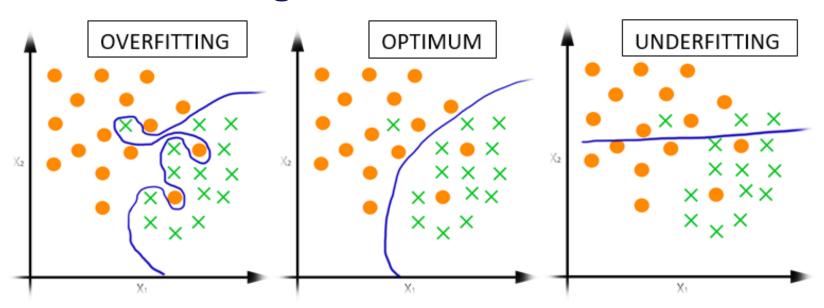


Did some of you, at a certain point, guessed "even numbers" or "multiples of 4"?

Your hypothesis was *underfitting* the data. The rule was not specific enough, and thus it included too much data. It was imprecise.



Recall this image:





Of course, this game was tailored to be mean. But that is what happens in reality.

Keep in mind: not only you see just a fraction of the possible data, but often the data you have contains some bias.



Basic metrics

		predicted	
		spam	ham
target	spam	57	16
	ham	7	346

Can you calculate precision, recall, accuracy and F1-score based on this confusion matrix? (spam is "positive", ham is "negative")



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• Precision: $\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$

• Recall: $\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$

• Accuracy: $\frac{TP+TN}{TP+TN+FP+FN}$

• F_1 -score: $2 \times \frac{precision \times recall}{precision + recall}$



Basic metrics: solutions

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Can you calculate precision, recall, accuracy and F1-score based on this confusion matrix?

• Precision:
$$\frac{57}{57+7} = 0.89$$

• Recall:
$$\frac{57}{57+16} = 0.78$$

• Accuracy:
$$\frac{57+346}{57+346+7+16} = 0.94$$

• F₁-score:
$$2 \times \frac{0.89 \times 0.78}{0.89 + 0.78} = 0.83$$

