

CptS 437 — Exam-01 Notes

ML Overview

- **features:**
- **training data:** a random sample of input/output pairs drawn from a distribution \mathcal{D} .

Decision Tree

- Entropy & Information Gain:

$$E = - \sum_i^N p_i \log_2 p_i \quad \text{where } i \in \{+, -\}$$

$$G(T, A) = E(T) - \sum_{v \in A} \frac{|S_v|}{|S|} E(S_v)$$

Bayes Optimal Classifier

- Representation bias: making decision based incorrect perceptions of similar situations.
- Inductive bias: input is only dependent on output label and an assumed normal distribution.
- No free lunch theorem: implies that there is no single best optimization algorithm, because all algorithms perform equally when performance is averaged across all possible problems.

Geometric Algorithms

- k-nearest neighbors:
- distance function:

$$d(a, b) = \left[\sum_{d=1}^D (a_d - b_d)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

- normalization: to make data consistent in some way.
- feature normalization: adjust all examples consistently for a feature.
- example normalization: example is adjusted individually.
- inductive bias: assumes that nearby points have the same label
- decision boundaries: colored differently for positive and negative.
- boundaries for specific classifiers:
- features as dimensions:

K-Means Clustering

- algorithm: is an unsupervised learning algorithm, page 37.
- iterative refinement: starts with a guess and gradually build up its quality.
- convergence: guaranteed to converge and converge quickly.
- computational complexity:
- optimality:
- sum of squared error:
- elbow method:
- the curse of dimensionality:
- variations on clustering, density and hierarchy

Perceptron

- algorithm, weighted sum of inputs, neuron, activation function, bias term
- impact of weights, training, modify weights
- number of iterations, order of training instances, overfit, convergence
- voting perceptron, averaged perceptron
- decision boundary, linear separability
- data preparation, imbalanced class distribution