

CSC 5825
Homework 4

Solutions:

Question 1:

Comparison

In single-link, also known as the nearest neighbor technique or minimum method, in this technique the distance between clusters is defined as the distance between the closest pair, where only pairs consisting of one object from each cluster is considered. In complete-link, also known as farthest neighbor, it is opposite of single linkage, distance between clusters is defined as the distance between the most distant pair of object, one from each group. In average-linkage, the distance between two clusters is defined as the average distance between all pairs of object, where pair is made up of one object from each cluster.

Advantages, Disadvantages

The disadvantage of single-linkage is that sometimes it can produce chaining among the clusters where several clusters may be joined together simply because one of their cases is within close proximity of case from a separate cluster, this chaining effect can have disastrous effects on the cluster solution, also it is more sensitive to noise and outliers which can produce long, elongated clusters, where it advantages over the other is that it can handle non-elliptical shapes clusters. The complete-link advantages is that it is less susceptible to noise and produce more balanced clusters and its disadvantages that it breaks large clusters and all of the clusters tends to have the same diameter, where small diameter clusters merged with large ones. For the average-linkage which compromise between Single and Complete-link, its main advantage that it is less susceptible to noise and outliers where its disadvantages is that it is biased towards globular clusters.

Question 2

The solution for the two parts is in the figure 1.

Programming Questions

Question 1:

Below is the syntax for my code and figure.2 shows a snapshot of the compiled code the misclassification percentage error as we increase the number of iterations this error decrease.

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import numpy as np
#import pandas as pd
#MLP with Back-Propagation Neural
import math
import random
##### Initial matrix
def InitMatrix(I, J, f=0.0):
    m = []
    for i in range(I):
        m.append([f]*J)
    return m
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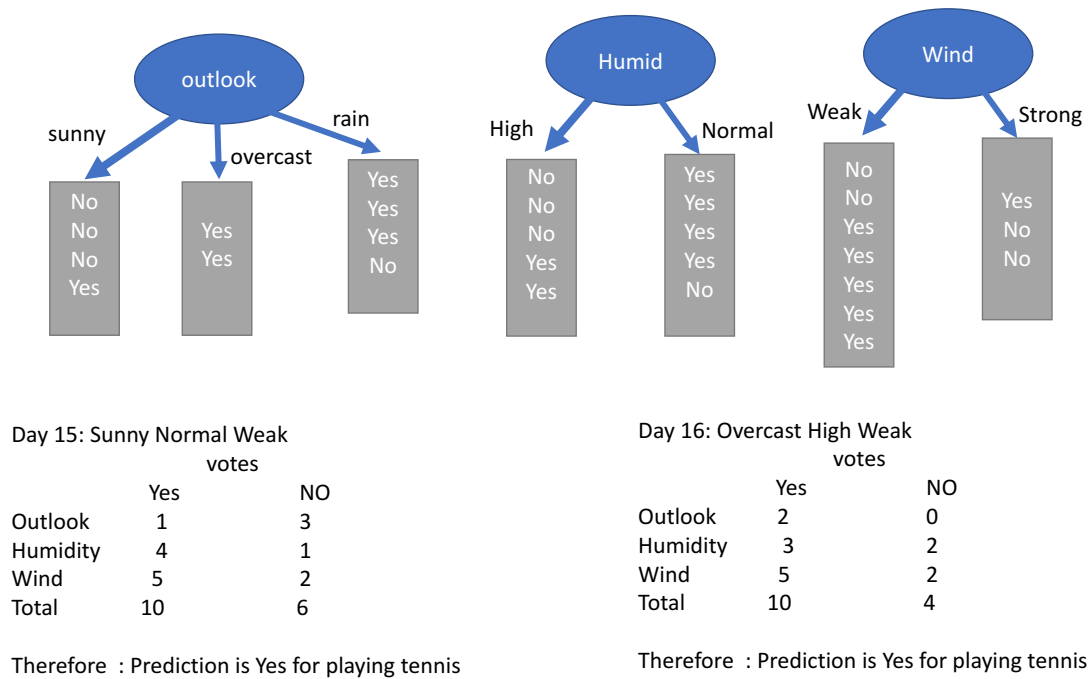


Figure 1: Tree stump.

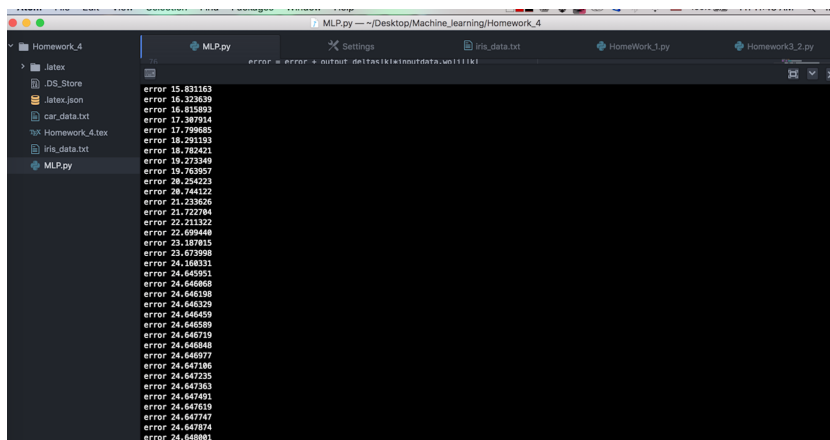


Figure 2: snapshot of my code after compiling.

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# random initial weights
def rand(a, b):
    return (b-a)*random.random() + a

#####or this sigmoid #####
def sigmoid(x):
    return math.tanh(x)
#####or this sigmoid #####
#def sigmoid(x):
#    return (1/(1+math.exp(-1*x)))
#derivative of our sigmoid function the tan
def dsigmoid(y):
    return 1.0 - y**2

class MLP:
    ## MLP class whcih take input features number and also how many hidden
    layers and the number of ouput nodes
    def __init__(inputdata, ni, hidden, no):
        inputdata.ni = ni + 1 # bais term
        inputdata.hidden = hidden
        inputdata.no = no
        inputdata.wi = InitMatrix(inputdata.ni, inputdata.hidden)
        inputdata.wo = InitMatrix(inputdata.hidden, inputdata.no)
        inputdata.ai = [1.0]*inputdata.ni
        inputdata.ah = [1.0]*inputdata.hidden
        inputdata.ao = [1.0]*inputdata.no

        for i in range(inputdata.ni):
            for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
                inputdata.wi[i][j] = rand(-0.2, 0.2)
        for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
            for k in range(inputdata.no):
                inputdata.wo[j][k] = rand(-2.0, 2.0)
        inputdata.ci = InitMatrix(inputdata.ni, inputdata.hidden)
        inputdata.co = InitMatrix(inputdata.hidden, inputdata.no)

    def iteratechange(inputdata, inputs):
        if len(inputs) != inputdata.ni-1:
            raise ValueError('wrong number of inputs')
        for i in range(inputdata.ni-1):
            inputdata.ai[i] = inputs[i]
        for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
            sum = 0.0
            for i in range(inputdata.ni):
                sum = sum + inputdata.ai[i] * inputdata.wi[i][j]
            inputdata.ah[j] = sigmoid(sum)

        for k in range(inputdata.no): ### output
            sum = 0.0
            for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
                sum = sum + inputdata.ah[j] * inputdata.wo[j][k]
            inputdata.ao[k] = sigmoid(sum)
        return inputdata.ao[:]

    def backPropagate(inputdata, targets, N, M):
        output_deltas = [0.0] * inputdata.no
        for k in range(inputdata.no):
            error = targets[k]-inputdata.ao[k]
            output_deltas[k] = dsigmoid(inputdata.ao[k]) * error

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H_diff = [0.0] * inputdata.hidden
for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
    error = 0.0
    for k in range(inputdata.no):
        error = error + output_deltas[k]*inputdata.wo[j][k]
    H_diff[j] = dsigmoid(inputdata.ah[j]) * error

for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
    for k in range(inputdata.no):
        change = output_deltas[k]*inputdata.ah[j]
        inputdata.wo[j][k] = inputdata.wo[j][k] + N*change + M*inputdata.co[j][k]
        inputdata.co[j][k] = change

for i in range(inputdata.ni):
    for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
        change = H_diff[j]*inputdata.ai[i]
        inputdata.wi[i][j] = inputdata.wi[i][j] + N*change + M*inputdata.ci[i][j]
        inputdata.ci[i][j] = change

error = 0.0
for k in range(len(targets)):
    # error = error + 0.5*(targets[k]-inputdata.ao[k])**2 #regres
    error = error - targets[k]*math.log(math.fabs(inputdata.ao[k]),10)

return error ##### error#####

def weights(inputdata):
    print('Input weights:')
    for i in range(inputdata.ni):
        print(inputdata.wi[i])
    print()
    print('Output weights:')
    for j in range(inputdata.hidden):
        print(inputdata.wo[j])

def Iterate(inputdata, structure, iterations=10, N=0.005, M=0001): ### N for the Iterateing
    rate
    for i in range(iterations):
        error = 0.0
        for p in structure:
            inputs = p[0]
            targets = p[1]
            inputdata.iteratechange(inputs)
            error = error + inputdata.backPropagate(targets, N, M)
            print('error for that it %f' % error)

datainput = [] ### input data, it is minimized for clarity

Test= MLP(4, 1, 1)
Test.Iterate(datainput)

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Bonus question

If we have direct weights from the input to the output and no activation function. It will be the same case for linear regression. So we end up looking at the advantages of using linear regression over the MLP. So it will be helpful to compute the optimal model directly and efficiently because if we add an activation function, and possibly one hidden layers, you cannot compute an optimal model directly anymore, and we are forced to use an iterative solution and no guarantee to converge and it will be slower. It can be trained as we

usually do for linear regression and naive bayes in case of discrete target. Where as the disadvantages of not using the hidden layers is that linear regression can only model linear function, where if we add hidden layers, we can approximate any continuous function.