

# ML.exer.ch2

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## 1 Exercise 3.2:

let  $X$  be a discrete domain, and let

$$H_{\text{singleton}} = \{h_z : z \in X\} \cup \{h^-\}$$

where for each  $z \in X$ ,  $h_z$  is the function defined by  $h_z(x) = 1$  if  $x = z$  and  $h_z(x) = 0$  if  $x \neq z$ .  $h^-$  is simply the all-negative hypothesis, namely,  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $h^-(x) = 0$ . The realizability assumption here implies that the true hypothesis  $f$  labels negatively all examples in the domain, perhaps except one.

### 1.1 a:

we want to describe that the algorithm implements is an ERM algorithm. so we have to show that the empirical risk is minimum. Consider the training set as  $S = X \times \{0, 1\}$  by the facts given if  $(x_+, 1) \in S$  the algorithm returns  $h_{x_+}$  else it returns  $h^-$  and because there can be only one point takes positive label (means label 1) so  $L_s(h_s) = 0$  because the error is the minimum so its ERM.

### 1.2 b:

in this part we want to show that  $S = X \times \{0, 1\}$  is PAC learnable and provide an upper bound on the sample complexity. let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$  and the distribution of  $D$  over  $X$  if the  $h^-$  be the true hypothesis then the algorithm returns a perfect  $h$ . We know that there is a unique point  $x_+$ . If  $(x_+, 1) \in S$  the algorithm returns perfect hypothesis if we consider  $D[x_+] \leq \epsilon$ :

$$L_D \{h_s\} = D(\{x : h_s(x) \neq f(x)\}) = D(\{x_+\}) \leq \epsilon$$

it means the max value that generalization error of  $h_s$  takes is  $\epsilon$ . Now we need to bound the probability of bad cases ( $D(\{x_+\}) > \epsilon$ , but  $(x_+, 1) \notin S$ )

$$D^m(\{s : L_D(h_s) > \epsilon\}) = D^m(\{s : x_+ \notin S\}) = (1 - \epsilon)^m \leq e^{-\epsilon m}$$

so  $H_{\text{singleton}}$  is PAC learnable with sample complexity:

$$m_{H_{\text{singleton}}} \leq \left\lceil \frac{\log\left(\frac{1}{\delta}\right)}{\epsilon} \right\rceil$$

## 2 Exercise 3.3:

proving that  $H = \{h_r : r \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  where  $h_r = 1_{[\|x\| \leq r]}$  is PAC learnable.

### 2.1 solution:

let  $\delta, \epsilon \in (0, 1)$  and the distribution  $D$  over  $X$  and consider  $S = ((x_i, y_i))_{i=1}^m$  and  $r^*$  as the radius of the tightest circle which contains all the positive constants so it returns the hypothesis  $h^*$ . Besides assume realizability and let  $h_0$  be a circle with zero generation error by the radius  $r_0$  so  $r^* \leq r_0$ . Now define the set  $R := \{x : r^* \leq \|x\| \leq r_0\} = \epsilon$  if a point in  $R$  be in  $S$  for the error  $h_r$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} L_D(h_r) &= D(\{x : h_r(x) \neq h_{r^*}(x)\}) = D(\{x : r \leq \|x\| \leq r_0\}) \\ &\leq D(\{x : r^* \leq \|x\| \leq r_0\}) \leq D(R) = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

and now for the worst set we have the bounding below:

$$\begin{aligned} D^m(\{S|_x : L_D(h_s) > \epsilon\}) &= D^m(\{S|_x : S|_x \cap R = \emptyset\}) = \\ &= \bigcap_{i=0}^m D(\{x : x \in S|_x, x \notin R\}) = \prod_{i=0}^m (1 - \epsilon) = (1 - \epsilon)^m \leq e^{-\epsilon m} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $H$  is PAC learnable and the sample complexity can find by considering the above equation be lower than  $\delta$  :

$$m_{(\epsilon, \delta)} \leq \left\lceil \frac{\log(\frac{1}{\delta})}{\epsilon} \right\rceil$$

## 3 Exercise 3.6:

Let  $H$  be a hypothesis class of binary classifiers. Show that if  $H$  is agnostic PAC learnable, then  $H$  is PAC learnable as well. Furthermore, if  $A$  is a successful agnostic PAC learner for  $H$ , then  $A$  successful PAC learner for  $H$ . **solution:**

$H$  is agnostic PAC learnable so there is  $m_H : (0, 1)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  and the algorithm named  $A$  (the learner for  $H$ ) for every  $\epsilon, \delta \in (0, 1)$  and the distribution  $D$  over  $(x \times y)$ . if  $A$  running on  $m \geq m_H(\epsilon, \delta)$  returns hypothesis  $h$  s.t. with probability  $1 - \delta$

$$L_D(h) \leq \min_{h' \in H} L_D(h') + \epsilon$$

if the realizability assumption holds then  $\min_{h' \in H} L_D(h') = 0$  and if  $f$  labeled  $m$  iid instances set  $S$ . then we have

$$L_D(h) \leq 0 + \epsilon = \epsilon$$

Therefore  $A$  is successful PAC learnable for  $H$ .