

Boosting and Clustering

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对于 0/1 损失函数来说, 指数损失函数并非仅有的一致替代函数. 考虑式 (8.5), 试证明: 任意损失函数 $\ell(-f(\mathbf{x})H(\mathbf{x}))$, 若对于 $H(\mathbf{x})$ 在区间 $[-\infty, \delta](\delta > 0)$ 上单调递减, 则 ℓ 是 0/1 损失函数的一致替代函数.

Hint:

$$\begin{aligned} L(H | \mathcal{D}) &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{D}}[\ell(-yH(\mathbf{x}))] \\ &= P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})\ell(-H(\mathbf{x})) + P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x})\ell(H(\mathbf{x})) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L(H | \mathcal{D})}{\partial H(\mathbf{x})} = P(\mathbf{x})(-P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})\ell'(-H(\mathbf{x})) + P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x})\ell'(H(\mathbf{x}))) = 0$$

We can get

$$P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x})\ell'(-H(\mathbf{x})) = P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x})\ell'(H(\mathbf{x}))$$

Suppose $P(y = 1 | \mathbf{x}) > P(y = -1 | \mathbf{x})$, get $\text{sign}(H(\mathbf{x})) = 1$

给定任意的两个相同长度向量 x, y , 其余弦距离为 $1 - \frac{x^T y}{|x||y|}$, 证明余弦距离不满足传递性, 而余弦夹角 $\arccos\left(\frac{x^T y}{|x||y|}\right)$ 满足

Hint: transitivity: $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$

For cosine distance, this equals to $(x - y)^T(x + z) \geq 0$, which is easy to validate.

For arccosine, WLOG we can suppose x, y, z both are unit vectors, then this equal to $\cos(\arccos x^T z) \geq \cos(\arccos x^T y + \arccos y^T z)$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^T z \geq (x^T y)(y^T z) - \sqrt{(1 - x^T y)^2(1 - y^T z)^2}$$

Some errors: directly from geometric/ in above using $(x^T y)(y^T z) = x^T (yy^T)z$, only consider 3d situation.

kmeans 算法收敛性

Hint:

We show that the loss function is guaranteed to decrease monotonically in each iteration.

EM convergence. See PRML P425 for details.

Some errors: Only prove the correctness of center chosen.

在k-means算法中替换欧式距离为其他任意的度量, 请问“聚类中心如何计算?”

Hint: Object function: $L = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in C_i} \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_i)$

If L is idfferentiable, then we let $\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mu_i} = 0 (i = 1, \dots, k)$

- ① Are all ensemble make model better?
- ② Boosting, why adaboost is useful? How the parameters change in each iteration in adaboost? The procedure of GBDT.
- ③ Bagging, why bagging is useful? The procedure of stacking.

- ① Metrics: Jaccard, FM, Rand, DBI, DI
- ② Distance: Minkowski, VDM
- ③ Methods: Kmeans(convergence proof, chosen of initial parameters), LVQ, GMM, DBSCAN, AGNES(different linkage) and the difference of this methods(i.e. in special situation, which one is better)
- ④ Theoretical Analysis: convergence of kmeans, convergence of GMM,