# DM825 - Introduction to Machine Learning

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#### Exercise 1

Do exercises 1, 4, 5 from Exam 2010.

# Solution

$$J_b = \sum_{j=1}^m w_j^b I\{h(\mathbf{x}_j; \theta) \neq y_j\}$$

For A  $J_b = 0.06$ , for B  $J_b = 0.05$  for C  $J_b = 0.5$ . Hence *B* is the best model.

**Solution** The question is unclear since  $h(\cdot)$  is not defined. Using the definition from AdaBoost: the prediction is computed by sign  $\left(\sum_{b=1}^{B} \alpha_b h_b(\mathbf{x})\right)$ . We can use:

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign} \left( \alpha_A h_A(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_C h_c(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

the values of  $\alpha$  are given by:

$$\epsilon_b = rac{\sum_{i=1}^m w_i^b I\left\{h_b(\mathbf{x}^i) 
eq y^i
ight\}}{\sum_i w_i^b} \qquad lpha_b = \lnrac{1-\epsilon_b}{\epsilon_b}$$

from which we get  $\alpha_A = 2.7$  and  $\alpha_C = 0$ . Hence the prediction will be the same as for *A* and wrong in c and d.

Alternatively we assume:

 $h(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{sign} \left( h_A(\mathbf{x}) + h_c(\mathbf{x}) \right)$ 

and get wrong predictions for b, c, d.

**Solution** We represent an observation of  $X_1$  by a binary vector  $\mathbf{x}_1$  with  $\sum_{k=1}^5 x_{1k} = 1$ . Further, let  $p(X_1 = x_{1k}) = \theta_{1k}$  with  $\sum_{k=1}^5 \theta_{1k} = 1$ . Then, the distribution of  $X_1$  is a generalization of the Bernoulli distribution:

$$p(X_1 = x_k | \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) = \prod_{k=1}^5 \theta_{1k}^{x_{1k}}$$
 (1)

Similarly for  $X_2|X_1$  we represent an observation of  $X_2$  by a binary vector  $\mathbf{x}_{2k}$  with  $\sum_{l=1}^{3} x_{2kl} = 1$  and  $p(X_2 = x_{2kl}|X_1 = x_{1k}) = \theta_{2kl}$  with  $\sum_{l=1}^{3} \theta_{2kl} = 1$ .

$$p(X_2 = x_l | X_1 = x_k, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{2k}) = \prod_{l=1}^3 \theta_{2kl}^{x_{2kl}}$$
(2)

**Solution**  $P(X_2 = \texttt{linkern} | X_1 = \texttt{nn}, \mathcal{D}) = \prod_{j=1}^{5} \theta_{2kl}^{x_{2kl}^j}$ . To estimate  $\theta_{2kl}$  we write the joint

likelihood and use factorization

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{j=1}^{5} P(X_{2}^{j} = \mathbf{x}_{2}, X_{1}^{j} = \mathbf{x}_{1})$$
(3)

$$= \prod_{j=1}^{5} P(X_{2}^{j} = \mathbf{x}_{2} | X_{1}^{j} = \mathbf{x}_{1}) P(X_{1}^{j} = \mathbf{x})$$
(4)

$$= \prod_{j=1}^{5} \prod_{k=1}^{5} \prod_{l=1}^{3} \theta_{2kl}^{x_{2kl}^{j}} \theta_{1k}^{x_{1k}^{j}}$$
(5)

Then we maximize in  $\theta$  with the additional constraint that  $\sum_{l} \theta_{2kl} = 1$ , which we Lagrange relax:

$$L'(\theta) = \ell(\theta) + \lambda \sum_{l} (\theta_{2kl} - 1)$$
(6)

$$= \log \prod_{j=1}^{5} \prod_{k=1}^{5} \prod_{l=1}^{3} \theta_{2kl}^{x_{2kl}^{j}} \theta_{1k}^{x_{1k}^{j}} + \lambda \sum_{l} (\theta_{2kl} - 1)$$
(7)

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{5} x_{2kl}^{j} \log \theta_{2kl} + \sum_{j=1}^{5} x_{1k}^{j} \log \theta_{1k} + \lambda \sum_{l} (\theta_{2kl} - 1)$$
(8)

$$\frac{\partial L(\theta)}{\partial \theta_{2kl}} = \sum_{j=1}^{5} x_{2kl}^{j} \frac{1}{\theta_{2kl}} + \lambda \theta_{2kl} = 0$$
(9)

**Solution** This corresponds to  $P(X_2 = \text{nearest\_insertion}, X_1 = nn | D)$  that we can estimate as in the previous point giving o.

The problem is that with max likelihood we are overfitting. Laplace smoothing could help.

# **Solution**

$$p(X_1 = x_k) = \theta_{1k} \tag{10}$$

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1) = \text{Dirichlet}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{1k}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1) = \frac{\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{10})}{\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{11})\cdots\Gamma(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{15})} \prod_{k=1}^{K} \theta_k^{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{1k}-1}$$
(11)

where  $\alpha_0 = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \alpha_k$ . Similarly,

$$p(X_2 = x_l | X_1 = x_k) = \theta_{2kl}$$
(12)

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2k}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{2k}) = \text{Dirichlet}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2k}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{2k})$$
(13)

**Solution** A uniform initial local prior means that all hyperparameters are equal to 1. In general, for  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = [\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k]^T \sim \text{Dir}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$ 

$$E[\theta_i] = \frac{\alpha_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i}$$

In our case, we first calculate the posterior probability

$$p(\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D}|\theta_{2kl})p(\theta_{2kl})}{p(\mathcal{D})}$$
(14)

$$= \operatorname{Dir}(\theta_{2kl}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{2k} + \mathbf{m}_{2k}) \tag{15}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_{2k0} + N)}{\Gamma(\alpha_{2k1} + m_{2k1}) \cdots \Gamma(\alpha_{2k3} + m_{2k3})} \prod_{l=1}^{3} \theta_{2kl}^{\alpha_{2kl} + m_{2kl} - 1}$$
(16)

where we have denoted  $\mathbf{m}_{2k} = [m_{2k1}, \dots, m_{2k3}]^T$ , the number of observations of  $x_{2kl}$  and  $N = \sum_{l} m_{2kl}$ . Then we calculate  $P(X_2 = x_{1l} | X_1 = x_{1k}, D)$  by marginalizing over the parameter  $\theta_{2kl}$ . This will give us the expected value of  $\theta_{2kl}$  with respect to its Dirichelet distribution:

$$P(X_2 = x_{1l} | X_1 = x_{1k}, \mathcal{D}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} P(X_2 = x_{2l} | X_1 = x_{1k}, \theta_{2kl} \mathcal{D}) p(\theta_{2kl} | \mathcal{D}) d\theta_{2kl}$$
(17)

$$= E_{p(\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D})}[\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D}]$$
(18)

$$= \frac{\alpha_{2kl} + m_{2kl}}{\sum_{l} \alpha_{2kl} + N}$$
(19)

$$= \frac{1+2}{3+2} = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6 \tag{20}$$

# **Solution**

We need to compute the joint probability distribution  $P(X_1, X_2)$ 

$$P(X_1 = x_{1k}, X_2 = x_{2l} | \mathcal{D}) = P(X_2 = x_{2l} | X_1 = x_{1k}, \mathcal{D}) P(X_1 = x_{1k} | \mathcal{D})$$
(21)

$$= E_{p(\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D})}[\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D}]E_{p(\theta_{1k}|\mathcal{D})}[\theta_{1k}|\mathcal{D}]$$
(22)

$$= \frac{\alpha_{2kl} + m_{2kl}}{\sum_{l} \alpha_{2kl} + N_2} \frac{\alpha_{1k} + m_{1k}}{\sum_{k} \alpha_{1k} + N_1}$$
(23)

Thus,

$$p(\text{arbitrary_insertion-linkern}) = \frac{1+3}{3+3} \cdot \frac{1+3}{5+5} = \frac{4}{6} \frac{4}{10} = 0.266$$
 (24)

$$p(\text{nn-linkern}) = \frac{1+2}{3+2} \cdot \frac{1+2}{5+5} = \frac{5}{5} \frac{5}{10} = 0.180$$
 (25)

$$p(\text{arbitrary}_{insertion-none}) = \frac{1+0}{3+3} \cdot \frac{1+3}{5+5} = \frac{1}{6} \frac{4}{10} = 0.066$$
 (26)

$$p(\text{farthest\_insertion-linkern}) = \frac{1+0}{3+0} \cdot \frac{1+0}{5+5} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{10} = 0.033 \quad (27)$$
  
: (28)

**Solution** 

$$p(X_2 = x_{2l}|\mathcal{D}) = \sum_k P(X_2 = x_{2l}|X_1 = x_{1k}, \mathcal{D})P(X_1 = x_{1k}|\mathcal{D})$$
(29)

$$= \sum_{k} E_{p(\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D})}[\theta_{2kl}|\mathcal{D}] E_{p(\theta_{1k}|\mathcal{D})}[\theta_{1k}|\mathcal{D}]$$
(30)

$$= \sum_{k} \frac{\alpha_{2kl} + m_{2kl}}{\sum_{l} \alpha_{2kl} + N_2} \frac{\alpha_{1k} + m_{1k}}{\sum_{k} \alpha_{1k} + N_1}$$
(31)



**Solution** The likely states we can get to at t = 3 are  $x_3 = 2$  and  $x_3 = 3$ . The other state sequences will have probability at most  $10^{-9}$ . The mean  $\mu_3$  is closer to the observation point thus favoring the state sequence that ends up in  $x_3 = 3$ . This is  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 2$ ,  $x_3 = 3$ .

**Solution** Roughly, the max probability to these points (could be derived efficiently via max sum algorithm) is:

$$p(y_3|X3 = 3)p(X3 = 3|X2 = 2)p(X_2 = 2|X_1 = 1)p(X_1 = 1) = p_3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0.5$$
  
$$p(y_3|X3 = 4)p(X3 = 4|X2 = 3)p(X_2 = 3|X_1 = 2)p(X_1 = 2) = p_4 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 10^{-9}$$

hence if  $\sigma^2$  becomes such that  $p_3 \cdot 0.5 < p_4 \cdot 10^{-9}$  then the state sequence that ends up in  $x_3 = 4$  ( $x_1 = 2, x_2 = 3, x_4 = 4$ ) will become the most likely state sequence.

# **Exercise 2 – Tree based methods**

Consider a data set comprising 400 data points from class  $C_1$  and 400 data points from class  $C_2$ . Suppose that a tree model A splits these into (300,100) assigned to the first leaf node (predicting  $C_1$  and (100,300) assigned to the second leaf node (predicting  $C_2$ , where (n, m) denotes that n points come from class  $C_1$  and m points come from class  $C_2$ . Similarly, suppose that a second tree model B splits them into (200,400) and (200,0), respectively. Evaluate the misclassification rates for the two trees and show that they are equal. Similarly, evaluate the pruning criterion for the cross-entropy case for the two trees.

# **Exercise 3 – Tree based methods**

You are given the following data points: Negative: (-1, -1)(2, 1)(2, -1); Positive: (-2, 1)(-1, 1)(1, -1). The points are depicted in Figure 1.

- 1. Construct a decision tree using the greedy recursive bi-partitioning algorithm based on information gain described in class. Use both criteria the Gini index and the entropy. In the search for the split threshold  $\theta$  discretize the continue scale of the two features and consider only values in  $\{-1.5, 0, 1.5\}$  for  $f_1$  and  $\{0\}$  for  $f_2$ . Represent graphically the tree constructed and draw the decision boundaries in the Figure 1. Table 1 might be useful for some computations
- 2. Use the tree to predict the outcome for the new point (1,1).

# **Exercise 4 – Nearest Neighbor**

x	y	$-(x/y) \cdot \log(x/y)$	x	y	$-(x/y) \cdot \log(x/y)$
1	2	0.50	1	5	0.46
1	3	0.53	2	5	0.53
2	3	0.39	3	5	0.44
1	4	0.50	4	5	0.26
3	4	0.31			

Table 1: Numerical values for the computation of information gains.

- 1. Draw the decision boundaries for 1-Nearest Neighbor on the Figure 1. Make it accurate enough so that it is possible to tell whether the integer-valued coordinate points in the diagram are on the boundary or, if not, which region they are in.
- 2. What class does 1-NN predict for the new point: (1, 1).
- 3. What class does 3-NN predict for the new point: (1, 0).

#### Exercise 5 – Practical

Analyze by means of classification tree the data on spam email from the UCI repository. Use rpart from the rpart package and the ctree from the party package.

# Exercise 6 – PCA

Using the iris data readily available in R use principle component analysis to identify two components and plot the data in these components. Can you classify the data at this stage?

# **Exercise 7 – Probability and Independence**

A joint probability table for the binary variables *A*, *B*, and *C* is given below.

A / B	$b_1$	$b_2$
<i>a</i> <sub>1</sub>	(0.006, 0.054)	(0.048, 0.432)
<i>a</i> <sub>2</sub>	(0.014, 0.126)	(0.032, 0.288)

Table 2: Joint probability distribution P(A, B, C)

- Calculate P(B, C) and P(B).
- Are *A* and *C* independent given *B*? (Remember to report the justification of your answer.)



Figure 1: The data points for classification.