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Exam : Machine Learning in Finance¹ : Time 1h30

Exercice 1. [14]pt

Q1 : In supervised learning what hypothesis do we make on the learning sample $(X^i, Y^i)_{i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket}$

- a) the (X^i, Y^i) have all the same laws
- b) the (X^i, Y^i) are independent
- c) the X^i have all a normal distribution

Answers : a,b

Q2 : when we have a learning sample $(X^i, Y^i)_{i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket}$ and try to estimate f such that $Y = f(X)$

- a) we are in the framework of supervised learning
- b) we are in the framework of unsupervised learning
- c) we are either solving a classification or regression problem

Answers : a,c

Q3 : when we have a learning sample $(X^i, Y^i)_{i \in \llbracket 1, n \rrbracket}$ how is the calibration error the most likely to be defined in a classification problem

- a) $\sum_{i=1}^{i=n} |f(X_i) - Y_i|$
- b) $E[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} 1_{f(X_i) \neq Y_i}]$
- c) $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} 1_{f(X_i) \neq Y_i}$

Answers : c

Q4 : which one of these relationships is true for the classification error $R_n(f_n)$ and the prediction error $R(f_n)$

- a) $R(f_n) < R_n(f_n)$
- b) $E(R(f_n)) \geq R_n(f_n)$
- c) $E(R(f_n)) \leq R_n(f_n)$
- d) $R(f_n) \geq E[R_n(f_n)]$

Answers : d

Q5 : which one of these expressions is the correct Vapnik Chervonenkis formula

- a) $P\left(R(f_n) > R_n(f_n) + \phi_{n,\eta}\left(\frac{VC(\mathcal{F})}{n}\right)\right) \leq \eta$
- b) $P\left(R_n(f_n) > R(f_n) + \phi_{n,\eta}\left(\frac{VC(\mathcal{F})}{n}\right)\right) \leq \eta$
- c) $P\left(R_n(f_n) > R(f_n) + \phi_{n,\eta}\left(\frac{VC(\mathcal{F})}{n}\right)\right) \leq \frac{\eta}{n}$
- a) $P\left(R(f_n) > R_n(f_n) + \phi_{n,\eta}\left(\frac{VC(\mathcal{F})}{n}\right)\right) \leq \frac{\eta}{n}$

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Answers : a

Q6 : following the principles of Structural Risk Minimisation with nested ensemble of classifiers $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2 \cdots \subset \mathcal{F}_k \cdots$ what would be the basis to pick the classifier $f_{n,k}$?

Answers : that it minimizes over k , $R_n(f_{n,k}) + \phi_{n,\eta}(\frac{VC(\mathcal{F}_k)}{n})$

Q7) in \mathbf{R}^d under which condition(s) can we be sure that we can separate with an hyperplane the null point 0 from the points $x_1, x_2, \cdots x_n$

- a) if $x_1, x_2, \cdots x_n$ are independant
- b) if $x_2 - x_1, x_3 - x_1, \cdots x_n - x_1$ are independent
- c) if $x_2 - x_1, x_3 - x_1, \cdots x_n - x_1$ are dependent

Answers : a)

Q8) which one of these assertions is (are) true for two sets of vectors $(x_i)_{i \in I}$ and $(x_i)_{i \in J}$ of \mathbf{R}^d ?

- a) the two sets of vectors can be separated by an hyperplane if and only if the two convexe envelopes of these two sets can be separated by an hyperplane
- b) it may be possible that the two sets can be separated by an hyperplane but not their convexe envelope
- c) if may be possible that the two convexe envelopes have a nul intersection but cannot be separated by an hyperplane
- d) if the two sets of points can be separated by an hyperplane there is in fact an infinity of hyperplanes that can separate them

Answers : a, d)

Q9) What is the Vapnik dimension of the family of hyperplane classifiers of \mathbf{R}^d ?

- a) d
- b) $d + 1$
- c) $+\infty$

Answers : b)

Q10) If a family of classifiers \mathcal{F} is defined by d parameters $d \geq 1$ which proposition(s) are true

- a) $VC(\mathcal{F}) < d + 2$
- b) $VC(\mathcal{F}) = d + 1$
- c) there may be some cases for which $VC(\mathcal{F}) = +\infty$

Answers : c)

Q11) what is the distance between the two hyperplanes of equations :

$\langle w, x \rangle + b = 0$ and $\langle -w, x \rangle + c = 0$

- a) $\frac{|b-c|}{\|w\|^2}$
- b) $\frac{|b+c|}{\|w\|}$

c) $\frac{|b-c|}{\|w\|}$

Answers : b)

Q12) which assertion(s) is\are true in \mathbf{R}^2

- a) the VC dimension of GAP tolerant classifiers of radius 1 and margin 1.8 is 3
- b) the VC dimension of GAP tolerant classifiers of radius 1 and margin 1 is 3
- c) the VC dimension of GAP tolerant classifiers of radius 1 and margin 1.8 is 2
- d) the VC dimension of GAP tolerant classifiers of radius 1 and margin 1 is 2

Answers : b, c)

Q13) which formula is true for a family \mathcal{F} of GAP tolerant classifiers of radius R

- a) $VC(\mathcal{F}_{\Delta,D}) \leq 1 + \text{Min}(\frac{D}{\Delta}, d)$
- b) $VC(\mathcal{F}_{\Delta,D}) \leq 1 + \text{Min}(\frac{\Delta}{D}, d)$
- c) $VC(\mathcal{F}_{\Delta,D}) \leq 1 + \text{Min}(\frac{D^2}{\Delta^2}, d)$
- d) $VC(\mathcal{F}_{\Delta,D}) \leq 1 + \text{Min}(\frac{\Delta^2}{D^2}, d)$

Answers : c)

Q14) write the expression of the optimisation problem of classification for a C-SCM

Answers : $(P_C) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min_{w,b,\{\xi_i\}_{i \in [1,n]}} \|w\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} \xi_i \\ \forall (x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{S}, y_i[\langle w, x_i \rangle + b] \geq 1 - \xi_i \\ \forall i \in [1, n], \xi_i \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$

Q15) which of these inequalities is correct

- a) $\max_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} \left[\min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} g(y, z) \right] \leq \min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left[\max_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} g(y, z) \right]$
- b) $\max_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} \left[\min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} g(y, z) \right] \geq \min_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left[\max_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} g(y, z) \right]$

Answers : a)

Q16) which of the following assertions are true :

- a) if the KKT conditions are satisfied the primal and dual problems have the same value
- b) if the primal and dual problems have the same value the KKT conditions are satisfied
- c) in the SVMs problems we studied the KKT conditions may not be satisfied

Answers : a,b

Q17) which of the following assertions are true :

- a) $\langle x, y \rangle^4 + \langle x, y \rangle^2$ is a Kernel
- b) $\langle x, y \rangle^4 - \langle x, y \rangle^2$ is a Kernel
- c) $\exp(-\|x - y\|_d^2)$ is a Kernel

Answers : a,c

- Q18) if $\phi_\sigma(\cdot)$ is the transformation linked to the Kernel $K(x, y) = \exp(-\frac{\|x-y\|_d^2}{2\sigma^2})$
- a) what is the value of $\|\phi_\sigma(x)\|$?
 - b) is it true that $\forall x, y \|\phi_\sigma(x) - \phi_\sigma(y)\| \leq \sqrt{2}$
 - c) is it true that $\forall x, y$ the angle between $\phi_\sigma(x)$ and $\phi_\sigma(y)$ is less than 90°
- Answers :** 1, yes, yes

[3pt]Exercise

Let $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i \in \{1, 2, \dots, l\}}$ be a learning sample with $x_i \in \mathbf{R}^d$ and $y_i \in \{-1, 1\}$. We consider for $\mu > 0$ the optimisation problem (P_μ) :

$$\min_{w, b, \rho, \zeta_i} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 - 2\rho + \mu \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \zeta_i,$$

$$\begin{cases} y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \geq \rho - \zeta_i \\ \zeta_i \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

[0.5pt]1) write the Lagrangian $L(w, b, \rho, \zeta_i, \alpha_i, \beta_i)$

Answers :

$$L(w, b, \rho, \zeta_i, \alpha_i, \beta_i) = \frac{1}{2} \|w\|^2 - 2\rho + \mu \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \zeta_i - \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i [y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) - \rho + \zeta_i] - \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \beta_i \zeta_i$$

[0.5pt]2) explain why for the solution of (P_μ) we have $\rho \geq 0$

Answers : if $\rho < 0$ was a solution the value of the problem would be strictly positive which is not the case as we can reach the value 0 by taking w, b and ρ equal to zero

[1pt]3) calculate : $\frac{\partial L}{\partial w}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial b}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \zeta_i}$

Answers :

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial w^1}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial w^2}, \dots, \frac{\partial L}{\partial w^d} \right] = w' - \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i y_i x_i'$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = - \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i y_i,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} = -2 + \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i,$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \zeta_i} = \mu - \alpha_i - \beta_i$$

[1pt]4) write the dual problem (D_μ) of (P_μ)

Answers :

$$\max_{\alpha_i, \beta_i} - \frac{1}{2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i y_i x_i \right\|^2,$$

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^{i=l} \alpha_i = 2 \\ 0 \leq \alpha_i \leq \mu \end{cases}$$

[3pt]Exercise

Let $\{x_i\}_{i \in \llbracket 1, n^+ \rrbracket}$ be n^+ vectors of $S_{\mathbb{N}}^1$ labelled 1 and $\{z_j\}_{j \in \llbracket 1, n^- \rrbracket}$ be n^- vectors of $S_{\mathbb{N}}^1$ labelled -1 . We assume here that the $\{x_i, z_j\}$ form a family of orthogonal vectors.

[1.5pt]1) show that any hyperplane of margin Δ which separates the $\{x_i\}$ from the $\{z_j\}$ satisfies $\Delta \leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^-} + \frac{1}{n^+}}$

Answers : $w^+ = \frac{1}{n^+} \sum_{i=1}^{i=n^+} x_i$ belongs to the convex envelope of the $\{x_i\}$ and

$w^- = \frac{1}{n^-} \sum_{j=1}^{j=n^-} z_j$ belongs to the convex envelope of the $\{z_j\}$.

As the maximum margin is the distance between the two convex envelopes we have : $\Delta \leq \text{MaxMargin} = d(\mathcal{C}_x, \mathcal{C}_z) \leq d(w^+, w^-) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^-} + \frac{1}{n^+}}$ which proves the result

[1.5pt] 2) find an hyperplane of margin Δ which separates the $\{x_i\}$ from the $\{z_j\}$ which satisfies $\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^-} + \frac{1}{n^+}}$

Answers :

Let $w = \frac{1}{n^+} \sum_{i=1}^{i=n^+} x_i - \frac{1}{n^-} \sum_{j=1}^{j=n^-} z_j$

As the vectors are orthogonal we have :

$\forall x_i, \langle w, x_i \rangle = \frac{1}{n^+}$ and $\forall z_j, \langle w, z_j \rangle = -\frac{1}{n^-}$

so, $H_{w, -\frac{1}{n^+}}$ and $H_{w, \frac{1}{n^-}}$ separate the points. and

$d(H_{w, -\frac{1}{n^+}}, H_{w, \frac{1}{n^-}}) = \frac{|-\frac{1}{n^+} - \frac{1}{n^-}|}{\|w\|} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n^-} + \frac{1}{n^+}}$