

Recap Active learning

Regression

"Uncertainty"
 $x_t \leftarrow \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sigma_{f_t}(x)$
 \sim var - closed form (linear generalized cone)
 - ensembles
 - posterior var (Bayesian)

Classification $f \in \mathcal{F}$

f^* - ground truth

\bar{f} - best model in \mathcal{F}

\hat{f} - model in \mathcal{F} trained using data

$$R(\hat{f}) - R(f^*) = \underbrace{R(\hat{f}) - R(\bar{f})}_{\substack{\uparrow \text{est err} \\ \text{variance}}} + \underbrace{R(\bar{f}) - R(f^*)}_{\substack{\uparrow \text{approx err} \\ \text{bias}^2}}$$

$$R(\hat{f}) - R(f^*) = \int_{\mathcal{X}: f(x) \neq g(x)} |P(Y=1|X) - \frac{1}{2}| dx$$



"Uncertainty"

Probabilistic classifier $P(Y|X)$ e.g. logistic regression

Binary class $\underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} |P(Y=\hat{y}|X) - \frac{1}{2}|$

Multi class $\underset{x}{\operatorname{argmax}} 1 - P(Y=\hat{y}|X)$ least conf. \leftarrow
 \uparrow
 most likely label
 $\sum_y P(Y=y|X) \log \frac{1}{P(Y=y|X)}$ entropy
 $P(Y=1|X) - P(Y=2|X)$ margin \checkmark
 most likely next most likely

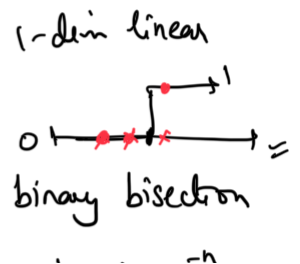
\rightarrow What @ non-probabilistic classifiers? linear, SVM, decision trees

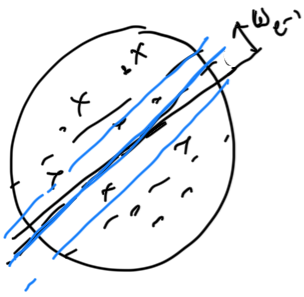
Binary classes

d-dim noisy

Margin based active learning for linear classifiers
 $w_0 \sim \text{unif } \|w_0\|=1 \quad \beta_0 = \pi$
 for $e=1 \dots \log T$

Collect n samples $x_i \sim P_x$ (unif distr over unit ball)





If $|\langle w_{e-1}, x_i \rangle| > \gamma = \frac{\beta_{e-1} \sqrt{\log T}}{\sqrt{d}}$

then collect y_i

Find $w_e \in \{w : \theta(w_{e-1}, w) \leq \beta_{e-1}, \|w\|_2 = 1\}$

that minimizes empirical error $\sum_{i=1}^n \ell(y_i, w \cdot x_i) < 0$

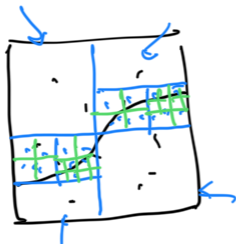
Update $\beta_e \leftarrow c \cdot \beta_{e-1}$, $e \leftarrow e+1$

end.

$\frac{1}{n}$ vs 2^{-n}
 random / active
 passive
 (no noise)

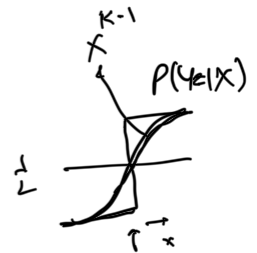
$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2^2}$... $\frac{1}{2^n}$
 c c^2 ... c^n exp.

Decision Trees Margin



margin \equiv leaves @ the deepest level

	Noiseless	1 dim	Passive	Active
			$\frac{1}{n}$	2^{-n}
		d-dim (linear)	$\frac{d}{n}$	$e^{-n/d}$
Noise	d dim		$\left(\frac{d}{n}\right)^{\frac{K}{2k-1}}$	$\left(\frac{d}{n}\right)^{\frac{K}{2k-2}}$



K-noise

→ Significant (exp) improvement is possible with active learning in noiseless setting

→ Gains decrease as there is more label noise.

Neural Networks

- $P(\hat{y}|x)$ - uncalibrated.

Uncalibrated $P(\hat{y}=y | \hat{P}=P) \neq P$

- Margin

- ...

- Ensemble methods (Query by committee, Disagreement based, active learning)

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variance

Dropout

Coreset sampling

$$\left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell(x_i, y_i) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \ell(x_i, y_i) \right| \leftarrow$$

k-centers

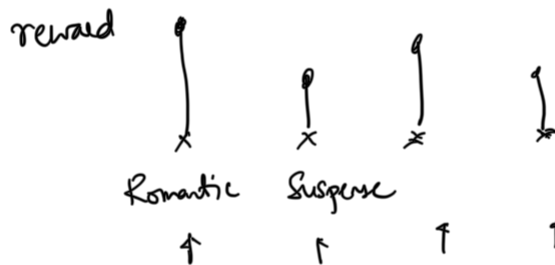
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{ Representation sampling
Diversity sampling

Sequential Decision Making

Bandits

Decision choices \equiv actions \equiv arms



goal: max reward
not learn reward

Stochastic opt { Best arm identification

$$a^* = \arg \max_{a \in A} \mu(a)$$

μ - mean reward.

Simple Regret $\min_{a_1, a_T} \mu(a^*) - \mu(a_T)$

→ Cumulative Regret $\min_{a_1, a_T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mu(a^*) - \mu(a_t) = R(T)$ $\leftarrow T, K \dots$

A - finite, finite action space $(|A| = K)$.

T - rounds

Non-adaptive exploration

① Uniform exploration

1. Try each arm N times

2. Select highest empirical reward $\hat{\mu}(a)$ average arm \hat{a}

3. Play arm rest $T - NK$ times.

Rewards bounded $\mu(a) \in [0, 1]$ $\forall a$

$$P(|\mu(a) - \hat{\mu}(a)| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{2e^{-2N\epsilon^2}}{\delta}$$

w.p. $\geq 1 - \delta$ $|\mu(a) - \hat{\mu}(a)| \leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \log \frac{2}{\delta}} = \epsilon$ Confidence bound.

Regret $\mu(a^*) - \mu(\hat{a}) \leq \hat{\mu}(a^*) + \epsilon - \hat{\mu}(\hat{a}) + \epsilon$

$\leq 2\epsilon$

w.p. $\geq 1 - 2\delta$

$\hat{\mu}(\hat{a}) \geq \hat{\mu}(a^*)$

$R(T) \leq 1 \cdot NK + (T - NK) 2\epsilon$

$= NK + (T - NK) 2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \log \frac{2}{\delta}}$

$\leq NK + T 2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \log \frac{2}{\delta}}$ w.p. $\geq 1 - K\delta$

$E[R(T)] = O\left(T^{2/3} (K \log \frac{1}{\delta})^{1/3} + KT\delta\right)$

$= O\left(T^{2/3} (K \log T)^{1/3}\right)$

↑ subline

$N \approx \left(\frac{T}{K}\right)^{2/3} \left(2 \log \frac{2}{\delta}\right)^{1/3}$

$\delta = \frac{1}{T^2}$

② ϵ -greedy

Toss coin w.p. heads ϵ_t

If heads choose arm uniformly at random

ow. choose empirically best arm.

$$E[R(t)] = O(t^{2/3} (K \log t)^{1/3}) \quad \text{for any } t.$$

\downarrow
if $t \approx NK$

Adaptive exploration

subsequent arm and no of times it is pulled depends on previous rounds.

$n_t(a)$ - no of times a is pulled upto time t .

→ Successive eliminate

→ Upper Confidence Bound