Seminar 7

Definition 1 (Naive Bayes Classifier)

Naive Bayes (NB) Classifier assumes that the effect of the value of a predictor x on a given class c is class conditional independent. Bayes theorem provides a way of calculating the posterior probability P(c|x) from class prior probability P(c), predictor prior probability P(x) and probability of the predictor given the class P(x|c)

$$P(c|x) = \frac{P(x|c)P(c)}{P(x)}$$

and for a vector of predictors $X = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$

$$P(c|X) = \frac{P(x_1|c)\dots P(x_n|c)P(c)}{P(x_1)\dots P(x_n)}.$$

The class with the highest posterior probability is the outcome of prediction.

Exercise 7/1

What is naive about Naive Bayes classifier? Briefly outline its major idea.

Exercise 7/2

Considering the table of observations, use the Naive Bayes classifier to recommend whether to *Play Golf* given a day with Outlook = Rainy, Temperature = Mild, Humidity = Normal and Windy = True. Do not deal with the zero-frequency problem.

Outlook	Temperature	Humidity	Windy	Play Golf
Rainy	Hot	High	False	No
Rainy	Hot	High	True	No
Overcast	Hot	High	False	Yes
Sunny	Mild	High	False	Yes
Sunny	Cool	Normal	False	Yes
Sunny	Cool	Normal	True	No
Overcast	Cool	Normal	True	Yes
Rainy	Mild	High	False	No
Rainy	Cool	Normal	False	Yes
Sunny	Mild	Normal	False	Yes
Rainy	Mild	Normal	True	Yes
Overcast	Mild	High	True	Yes
Overcast	Hot	Normal	False	Yes
Sunny	Mild	High	True	No

Table 1: Exercise.

Definition 2 (Support Vector Machines Classifier (two-class, linearly separable)) Support Vector Machines (SVM) finds the hyperplane that bisects and is perpendicular to the connecting line of the closest points from the two classes. The separating (decision) hyperplane is defined in terms of a normal (weight) vector ${\bf w}$ and a scalar intercept term b as

$$f(x) = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b$$

where \cdot is the dot product of vectors. Finally, the SVM classifier becomes

$$class(x) = sgn(f(x)).$$

Exercise 7/3

Draw a sketch explaining the concept of SVM classifier. Include the equation of the separation hyperplane. What are limitations of SVM?

Answers can vary. For official definition refer to the Manning book.

Exercise 7/4

Build the SVM classifier for the training set $\{([1,1],-1), ([2,0],-1), ([2,3],+1)\}$.

Exercise 7/5

Explain the concept of classification based on neural networks. Draw a sketch and comment on all components.

Exercise 7/6

What is the difference between supervised and unsupervised learning? Give examples.