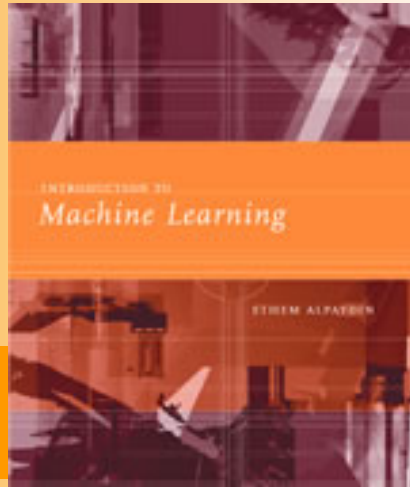




Lecture Slides for

INTRODUCTION TO

Machine Learning

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CHAPTER 14:

*Assessing and Comparing
Classification Algorithms*



Introduction

- Questions:
 - Assessment of the expected error of a learning algorithm: Is the error rate of 1-NN less than 2%?
 - Comparing the expected errors of two algorithms: Is k -NN more accurate than MLP ?
- Training/validation/test sets
- Resampling methods: K -fold cross-validation



Algorithm Preference

- Criteria (Application-dependent):
 - Misclassification error, or risk (loss functions)
 - Training time/space complexity
 - Testing time/space complexity
 - Interpretability
 - Easy programmability
- Cost-sensitive learning



Resampling and K-Fold Cross-Validation

- The need for multiple training/validation sets
- $\{\mathcal{X}_i, \mathcal{V}_i\}_i$: Training/validation sets of fold i
- K -fold cross-validation: Divide $\mathcal{X}$ into k , $\mathcal{X}_i, i=1, \dots, K$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{V}_1 &= \mathcal{X}_1 & \mathcal{T}_1 &= \mathcal{X}_2 \cup \mathcal{X}_3 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{X}_K \\ \mathcal{V}_2 &= \mathcal{X}_2 & \mathcal{T}_2 &= \mathcal{X}_1 \cup \mathcal{X}_3 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{X}_K \\ &\vdots & & \\ \mathcal{V}_K &= \mathcal{X}_K & \mathcal{T}_K &= \mathcal{X}_1 \cup \mathcal{X}_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{X}_{K-1}\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{T}_i$ share $K-2$ parts



5×2 Cross-Validation

- 5 times 2 fold cross-validation (Dietterich, 1998)

$\mathcal{T}_1 = \mathcal{X}_1^{(1)}$	$\mathcal{V}_1 = \mathcal{X}_1^{(2)}$
$\mathcal{T}_2 = \mathcal{X}_1^{(2)}$	$\mathcal{V}_2 = \mathcal{X}_1^{(1)}$
$\mathcal{T}_3 = \mathcal{X}_2^{(1)}$	$\mathcal{V}_3 = \mathcal{X}_2^{(2)}$
$\mathcal{T}_4 = \mathcal{X}_2^{(2)}$	$\mathcal{V}_4 = \mathcal{X}_2^{(1)}$
$\vdots$	
$\mathcal{T}_9 = \mathcal{X}_5^{(1)}$	$\mathcal{V}_9 = \mathcal{X}_5^{(2)}$
$\mathcal{T}_{10} = \mathcal{X}_5^{(2)}$	$\mathcal{V}_{10} = \mathcal{X}_5^{(1)}$



Bootstrapping

- Draw instances from a dataset *with replacement*
- Prob that we do not pick an instance after N draws

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{N}\right)^N \approx e^{-1} = 0.368$$

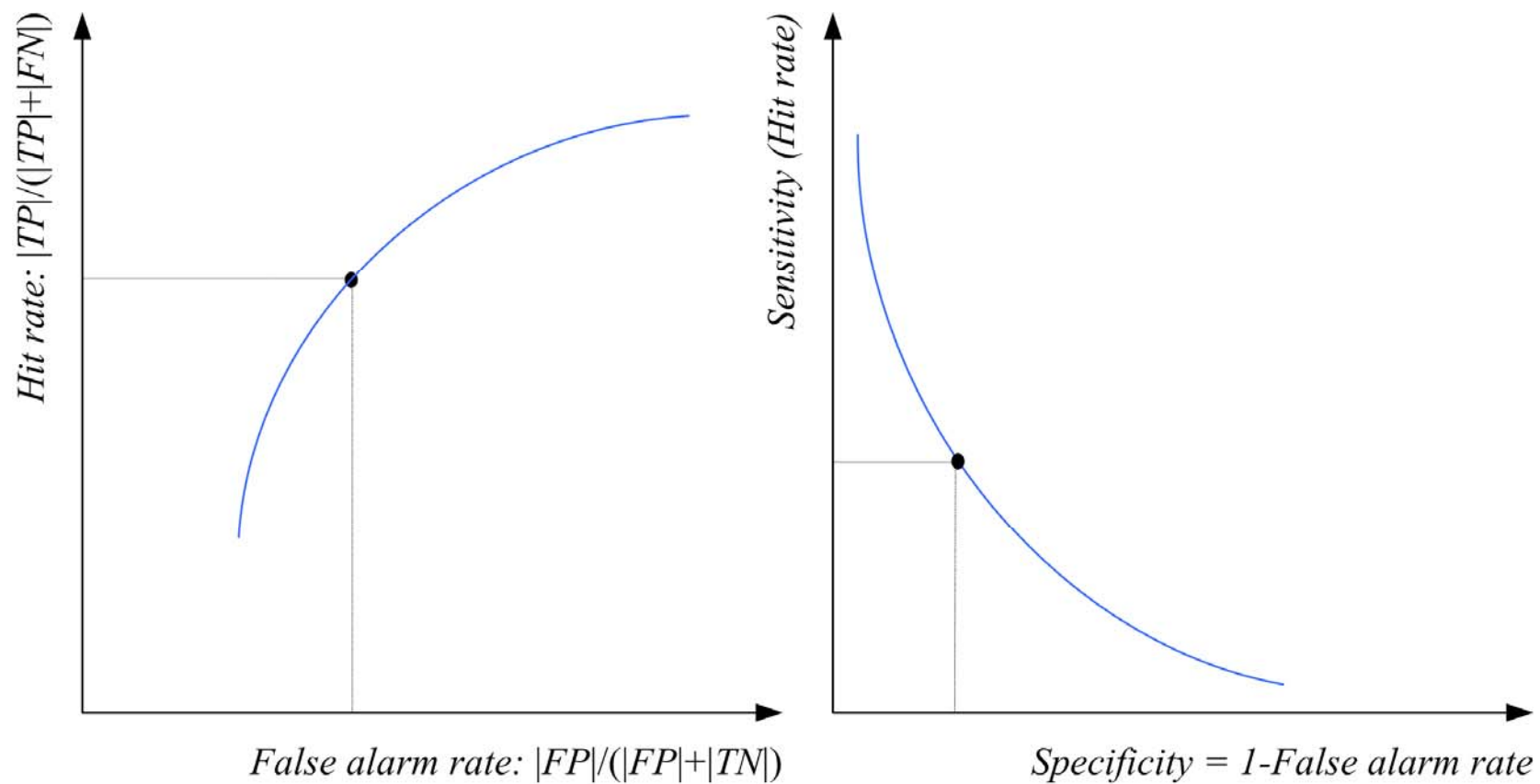
that is, only 36.8% is new!

Measuring Error

True Class	Predicted class	
	Yes	No
Yes	TP: True Positive	FN: False Negative
No	FP: False Positive	TN: True Negative

- **Error rate** = # of errors / # of instances = $(FN+FP) / N$
- **Recall** = # of found positives / # of positives
= $TP / (TP+FN)$ = **sensitivity** = **hit rate**
- **Precision** = # of found positives / # of found
= $TP / (TP+FP)$
- **Specificity** = $TN / (TN+FP)$
- **False alarm rate** = $FP / (FP+TN)$ = $1 - \text{Specificity}$

ROC Curve



Interval Estimation

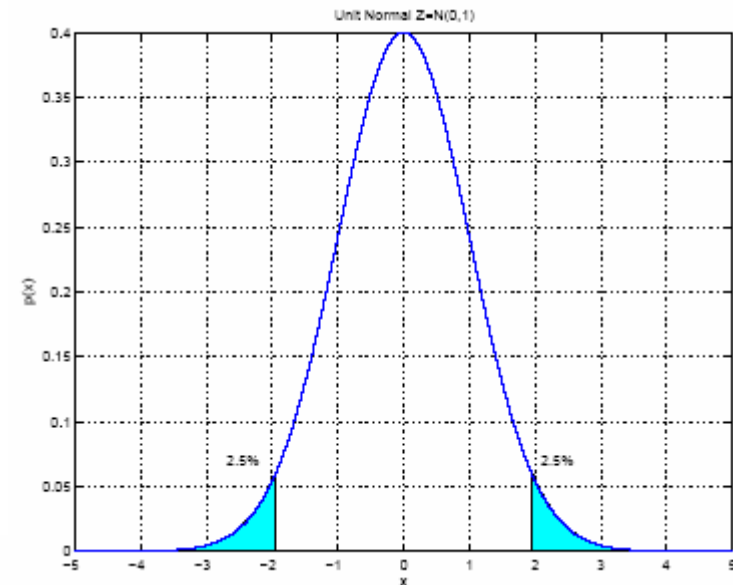
- $\mathcal{X} = \{x^t\}_t$ where $x^t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- $m \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2/N)$

$$\sqrt{N} \frac{(m - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim z$$

$$P \left\{ -1.96 < \sqrt{N} \frac{(m - \mu)}{\sigma} < 1.96 \right\} = 0.95$$

$$P \left\{ m - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu < m + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} \right\} = 0.95$$

$$P \left\{ m - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu < m + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} \right\} = 1 - \alpha$$



100(1- α)
percent
confidence
interval

$$P \left\{ \sqrt{N} \frac{(m - \mu)}{\sigma} < 1.64 \right\} = 0.95$$

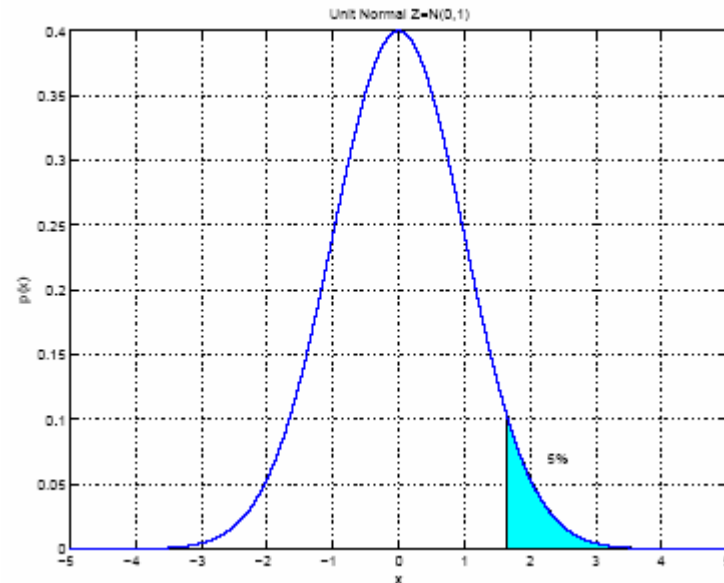
or

$$P \left\{ m - 1.64 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu \right\} = 0.95$$

$$P \left\{ m - z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu \right\} = 1 - \alpha$$

When σ^2 is not known:

$$S^2 = \sum_t (x^t - m)^2 / (N - 1)$$



$$\frac{\sqrt{N}(m - \mu)}{S} \sim t_{N-1}$$

$$P \left\{ m - t_{\alpha/2, N-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu < m + t_{\alpha/2, N-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}} \right\} = 1 - \alpha$$



Hypothesis Testing

- Reject a **null hypothesis** if not supported by the sample with enough confidence
- $\mathcal{X} = \{x^t\}_t$ where $x^t \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

Accept H_0 with **level of significance** α if μ_0 is in the $100(1 - \alpha)$ confidence interval

$$\frac{\sqrt{N}(m - \mu_0)}{\sigma} \in (-Z_{\alpha/2}, Z_{\alpha/2})$$

Two-sided test



	Decision	
Truth	Accept	Reject
True	Correct	Type I error
False	Type II error	Correct (Power)

- One-sided test: $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$ vs. $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$

Accept if $\frac{\sqrt{N}}{\sigma}(m - \mu_0) \in (-\infty, z_\alpha)$

- Variance unknown: Use t , instead of z .

Accept $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ if

$$\frac{\sqrt{N}(m - \mu_0)}{S} \in (-t_{\alpha/2, N-1}, t_{\alpha/2, N-1})$$

Assessing Error:

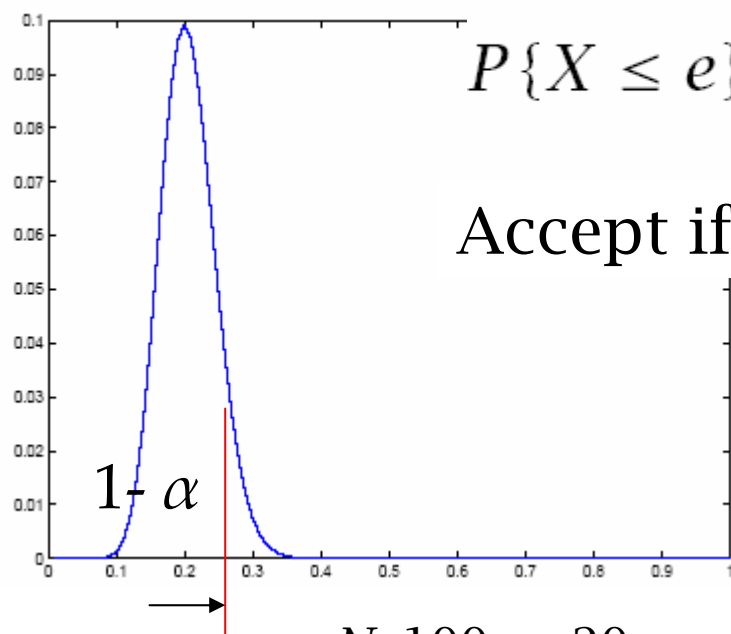
$$H_0: p \leq p_0 \text{ vs. } H_1: p > p_0$$

- Single training/validation set: **Binomial Test**

If error prob is p_0 , prob that there are e errors or less in N validation trials is

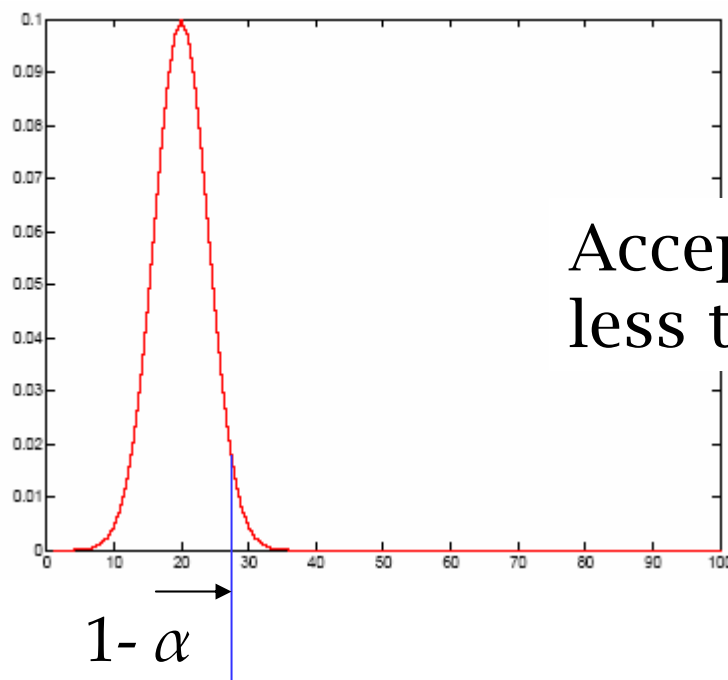
$$P\{X \leq e\} = \sum_{j=0}^e \binom{N}{j} p_0^j (1 - p_0)^{N-j}$$

Accept if this prob is less than $1 - \alpha$



Normal Approximation to the Binomial

- Number of errors X is approx $\mathcal{N}$ with mean Np_0 and var $Np_0(1-p_0)$



$$\frac{X - Np_0}{\sqrt{Np_0(1 - p_0)}} \sim \mathcal{Z}$$

Accept if this prob for $X = e$ is less than $z_{1-\alpha}$



Paired t Test

- Multiple training/validation sets
- $x_i^t = 1$ if instance t misclassified on fold i

- Error rate of fold i :
$$p_i = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^N x_i^t}{N}$$

- With m and s^2 average and var of p_i
we accept p_0 or less error if

$$\frac{\sqrt{K}(m - p_0)}{S} \sim t_{K-1}$$

is less than $t_{\alpha, K-1}$

Comparing Classifiers:

$$H_0: \mu_0 = \mu_1 \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu_0 \neq \mu_1$$

- Single training/validation set: McNemar's Test

e_{00} : Number of examples misclassified by both	e_{01} : Number of examples misclassified by 1 but not 2
e_{10} : Number of examples misclassified by 2 but not 1	e_{11} : Number of examples correctly classified by both

- Under H_0 , we expect $e_{01} = e_{10} = (e_{01} + e_{10})/2$

$$\frac{(|e_{01} - e_{10}| - 1)^2}{e_{01} + e_{10}} \sim \chi_1^2$$

Accept if $< \chi_{\alpha,1}^2$

K-Fold CV Paired t Test

- Use K -fold cv to get K training/validation folds
- p_i^1, p_i^2 : Errors of classifiers 1 and 2 on fold i
- $p_i = p_i^1 - p_i^2$: Paired difference on fold i
- The null hypothesis is whether p_i has mean 0

$$H_0 : \mu = 0 \quad H_1 : \mu \neq 0$$

$$m = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K p_i}{K}, \quad S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K (p_i - m)^2}{K - 1}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{K}(m - 0)}{S} = \frac{\sqrt{K} \cdot m}{S} \sim t_{K-1} \text{ Accept if in } (-t_{\alpha/2, K-1}, t_{\alpha/2, K-1})$$

5×2 cv Paired t Test

- Use 5×2 cv to get 2 folds of 5 tra/val replications (Dietterich, 1998)
- $p_i^{(j)}$: difference btw errors of 1 and 2 on fold $j=1, 2$ of replication $i=1, \dots, 5$

$$\bar{p}_i = (p_i^{(1)} + p_i^{(2)}) / 2 \quad s_i^2 = (p_i^{(1)} - \bar{p}_i)^2 + (p_i^{(2)} - \bar{p}_i)^2$$

$$\frac{p_1^{(1)}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^5 s_i^2 / 5}} \sim t_5$$

Two-sided test: Accept $H_0: \mu_0 = \mu_1$ if in $(-t_{\alpha/2,5}, t_{\alpha/2,5})$

One-sided test: Accept $H_0: \mu_0 \leq \mu_1$ if $< t_{\alpha,5}$



5×2 cv Paired F Test

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^5 \sum_{j=1}^2 \left(p_i^{(j)}\right)^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^5 s_i^2} \sim F_{10,5}$$

Two-sided test: Accept $H_0: \mu_0 = \mu_1$ if $< F_{\alpha,10,5}$



Comparing $L > 2$ Algorithms: Analysis of Variance (Anova)

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_L$$

- Errors of L algorithms on K folds

$$X_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_j, \sigma^2), j = 1, \dots, L, i = 1, \dots, K$$

- We construct two estimators to σ^2 .

One is valid if H_0 is true, the other is always valid.

We reject H_0 if the two estimators disagree.



If H_0 is true: $m_j = \sum_{i=1}^K \frac{X_{ij}}{K} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2/K)$

$$m = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^L m_j}{L}, \quad S^2 = \frac{\sum_j (m_j - m)^2}{L - 1}$$

Thus an estimator of σ^2 is $K \cdot S^2$, namely,

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = K \sum_{j=1}^L \frac{(m_j - m)^2}{L - 1}$$

$$\sum_j \frac{(m_j - m)^2}{\sigma^2/K} \sim \chi_{L-1}^2 \quad SS_b \equiv K \sum_j (m_j - m)^2$$

So, when H_0 is true, we have

$$\frac{SS_b}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{L-1}^2$$



Regardless of H_0 our second estimator to σ^2 is the average of group variances s_j^2 :

$$s_j^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^K (X_{ij} - m_j)^2}{K - 1} \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^L \frac{s_j^2}{L} = \sum_j \sum_i \frac{(X_{ij} - m_j)^2}{L(K - 1)}$$

$$SS_w \equiv \sum_j \sum_i (X_{ij} - m_j)^2$$

$$(K - 1) \frac{s_j^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{K-1}^2 \quad \frac{SS_w}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{L(K-1)}^2$$

$$\left(\frac{SS_b / \sigma^2}{L - 1} \right) \bigg/ \left(\frac{SS_w / \sigma^2}{L(K - 1)} \right) = \frac{SS_b / (L - 1)}{SS_w / (L(K - 1))} \sim F_{L-1, L(K-1)}$$

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 \dots = \mu_L \text{ if } < F_{\alpha, L-1, L(K-1)}$$



Other Tests

- Range test (Newman-Keuls): 145 23
- Nonparametric tests (Sign test, Kruskal-Wallis)
- Contrasts: Check if 1 and 2 differ from 3,4, and 5
- Multiple comparisons require **Bonferroni correction**
If there are m tests, to have an overall significance of α , each test should have a significance of α/m .
- Regression: CLT states that the sum of iid variables from *any* distribution is approximately normal and the preceding methods can be used.
- Other loss functions ?