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Classification and Prediction

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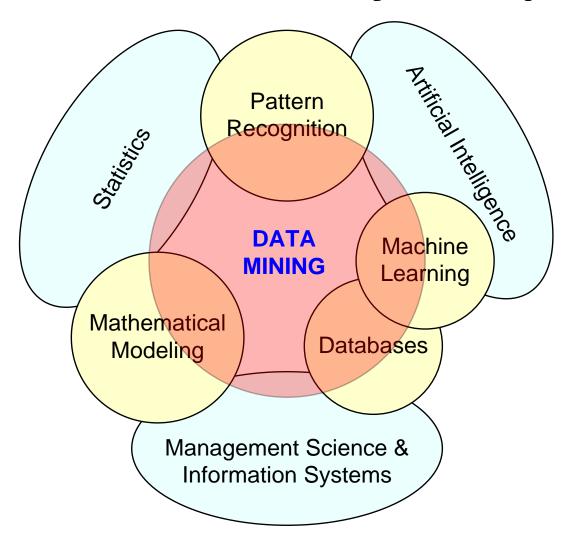
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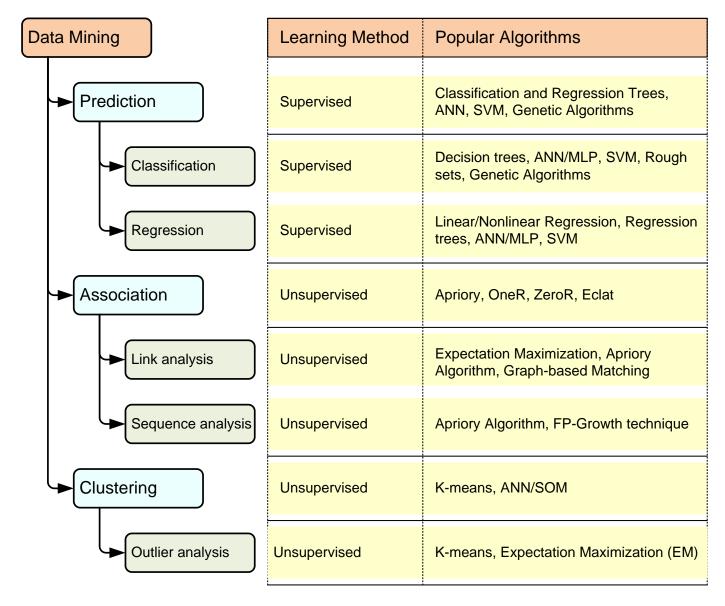
Outline

- Classification and Prediction
- Decision Tree
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- Evaluation (Accuracy of Classification Model)

Data Mining at the Intersection of Many Disciplines



A Taxonomy for Data Mining Tasks



Classification vs. Prediction

Classification

- predicts categorical class labels (discrete or nominal)
- classifies data (constructs a model) based on the training set and the values (class labels) in a classifying attribute and uses it in classifying new data

Prediction

- models continuous-valued functions
 - i.e., predicts unknown or missing values
- Typical applications
 - Credit approval
 - Target marketing
 - Medical diagnosis
 - Fraud detection

Example of Classification

- Loan Application Data
 - Which loan applicants are "safe" and which are "risky" for the bank?
 - "Safe" or "risky" for load application data
- Marketing Data
 - Whether a customer with a given profile will buy a new computer?
 - "yes" or "no" for marketing data

Classification

- Data analysis task
- A model or Classifier is constructed to predict categorical labels
 - Labels: "safe" or "risky"; "yes" or "no";
 "treatment A", "treatment B", "treatment C"

Classification Methods

- Classification by decision tree induction
- Bayesian classification
- Rule-based classification
- Classification by back propagation
- Support Vector Machines (SVM)
- Associative classification
- Lazy learners (or learning from your neighbors)
 - nearest neighbor classifiers
 - case-based reasoning
- Genetic Algorithms
- Rough Set Approaches
- Fuzzy Set Approaches

What Is Prediction?

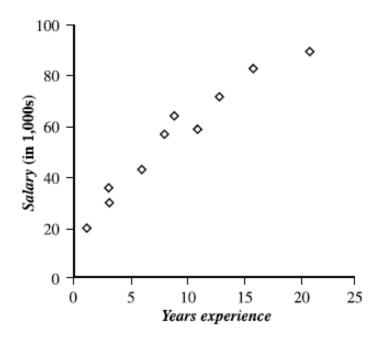
- (Numerical) prediction is similar to classification
 - construct a model
 - use model to predict continuous or ordered value for a given input
- Prediction is different from classification
 - Classification refers to predict categorical class label
 - Prediction models continuous-valued functions
- Major method for prediction: regression
 - model the relationship between one or more independent or predictor variables and a dependent or response variable
- Regression analysis
 - Linear and multiple regression
 - Non-linear regression
 - Other regression methods: generalized linear model, Poisson regression, log-linear models, regression trees

Prediction Methods

- Linear Regression
- Nonlinear Regression
- Other Regression Methods

Salary data.

x years experience	y salary (in \$1000s)
3	30
8	57
9	64
13	72
3	36
6	43
11	59
21	90
1	20
16	83



Classification and Prediction

 Classification and prediction are two forms of data analysis that can be used to extract models describing important data classes or to predict future data trends.

Classification

 Effective and scalable methods have been developed for decision trees induction, Naive Bayesian classification, Bayesian belief network, rule-based classifier, Backpropagation, Support Vector Machine (SVM), associative classification, nearest neighbor classifiers, and case-based reasoning, and other classification methods such as genetic algorithms, rough set and fuzzy set approaches.

Prediction

 Linear, nonlinear, and generalized linear models of regression can be used for prediction. Many nonlinear problems can be converted to linear problems by performing transformations on the predictor variables. Regression trees and model trees are also used for prediction.

Classification and Prediction

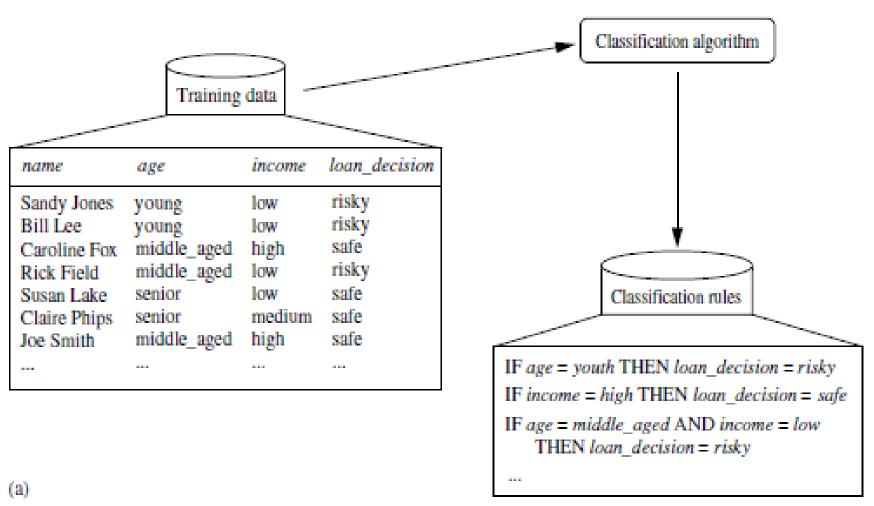
- Stratified k-fold cross-validation is a recommended method for accuracy estimation. Bagging and boosting can be used to increase overall accuracy by learning and combining a series of individual models.
- Significance tests and ROC curves are useful for model selection
- There have been numerous comparisons of the different classification and prediction methods, and the matter remains a research topic
- No single method has been found to be superior over all others for all data sets
- Issues such as accuracy, training time, robustness, interpretability, and scalability must be considered and can involve trade-offs, further complicating the quest for an overall superior method

Classification—A Two-Step Process

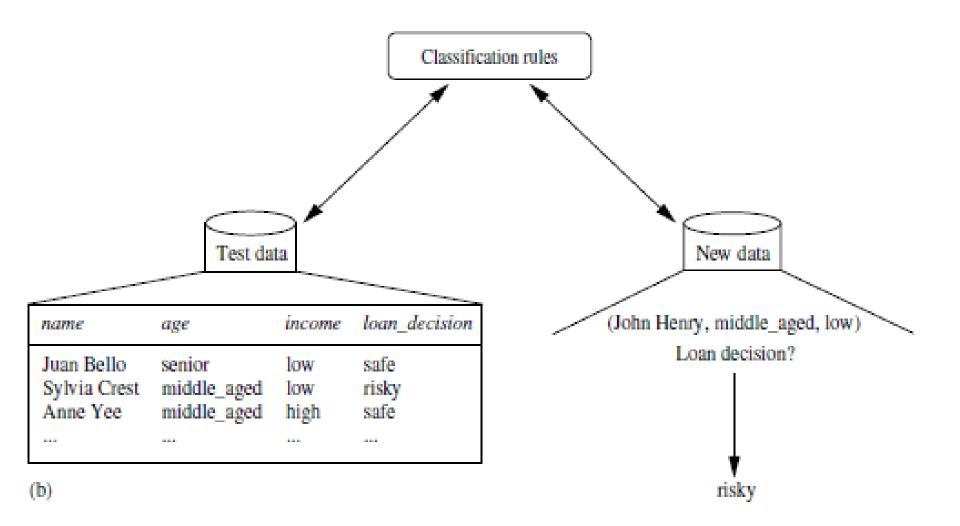
- 1. Model construction: describing a set of predetermined classes
 - Each tuple/sample is assumed to belong to a predefined class, as determined by the class label attribute
 - The set of tuples used for model construction is training set
 - The model is represented as classification rules, decision trees, or mathematical formulae
- 2. Model usage: for classifying future or unknown objects
 - Estimate accuracy of the model
 - The known label of test sample is compared with the classified result from the model
 - Accuracy rate is the percentage of test set samples that are correctly classified by the model
 - Test set is independent of training set, otherwise over-fitting will occur
 - If the accuracy is acceptable, use the model to classify data tuples whose class labels are not known

Data Classification Process 1: Learning (Training) Step (a) Learning: Training data are analyzed by classification algorithm

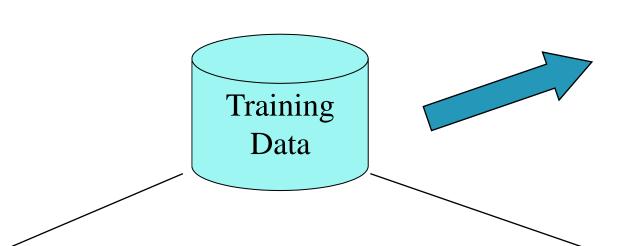
y = f(X)



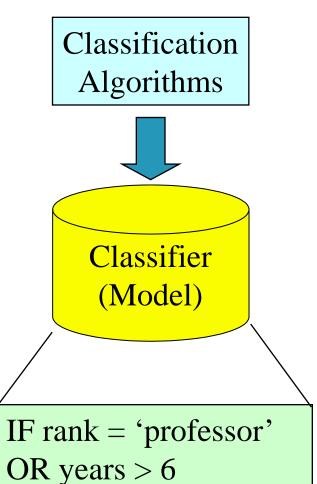
Data Classification Process 2 (b) Classification: Test data are used to estimate the accuracy of the classification rules.



Process (1): Model Construction

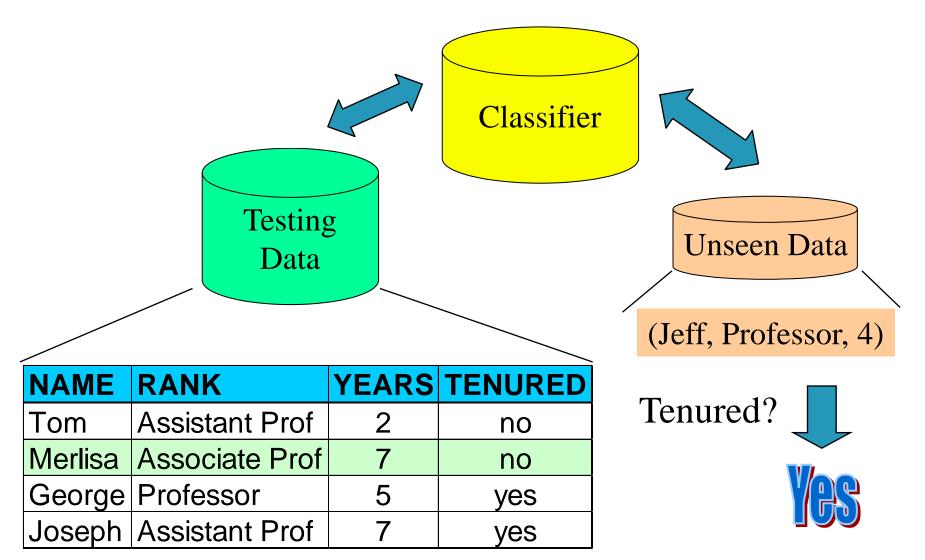


NAME	RANK	YEARS	TENURED
Mike	Assistant Prof	3	no
Mary	Assistant Prof	7	yes
Bill	Professor	2	yes
Jim	Associate Prof	7	yes
Dave	Assistant Prof	6	no
Anne	Associate Prof	3	no



THEN tenured = 'yes'

Process (2): Using the Model in Prediction



Supervised vs. Unsupervised Learning

- Supervised learning (classification)
 - Supervision: The training data (observations, measurements, etc.) are accompanied by labels indicating the class of the observations
 - New data is classified based on the training set
- Unsupervised learning (clustering)
 - The class labels of training data is unknown
 - Given a set of measurements, observations, etc. with the aim of establishing the existence of classes or clusters in the data

Issues Regarding Classification and Prediction: Data Preparation

- Data cleaning
 - Preprocess data in order to reduce noise and handle missing values
- Relevance analysis (feature selection)
 - Remove the irrelevant or redundant attributes
 - Attribute subset selection
 - Feature Selection in machine learning
- Data transformation
 - Generalize and/or normalize data
 - Example
 - Income: low, medium, high

Issues:

Evaluating Classification and Prediction Methods

Accuracy

- classifier accuracy: predicting class label
- predictor accuracy: guessing value of predicted attributes
- estimation techniques: cross-validation and bootstrapping

Speed

- time to construct the model (training time)
- time to use the model (classification/prediction time)
- Robustness
 - handling noise and missing values
- Scalability
 - ability to construct the classifier or predictor efficiently given large amounts of data
- Interpretability
 - understanding and insight provided by the model

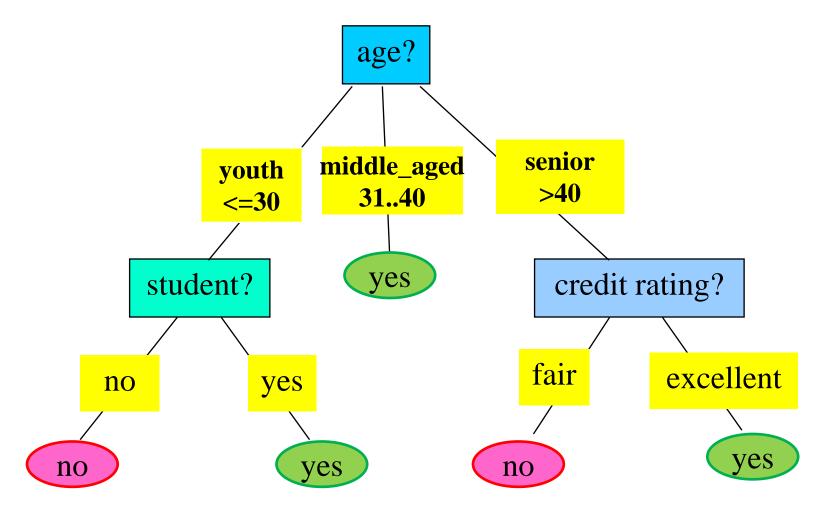
Classification by Decision Tree Induction Training Dataset

age	income	student	credit_rating	buys_computer
<=30	high	no	fair	no
<=30	high	no	excellent	no
3140	high	no	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	excellent	no
3140	low	yes	excellent	yes
<=30	medium	no	fair	no
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This follows an example of Quinlan's ID3 (Playing Tennis)

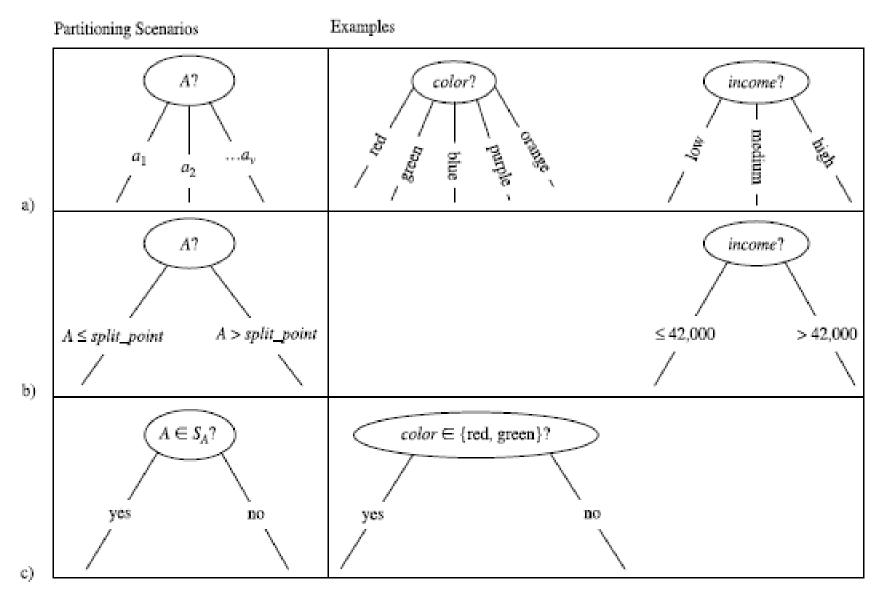
Classification by Decision Tree Induction

Output: A Decision Tree for "buys_computer"



buys_computer="yes" or buys_computer="no"

Three possibilities for partitioning tuples based on the splitting Criterion



Algorithm for Decision Tree Induction

- Basic algorithm (a greedy algorithm)
 - Tree is constructed in a top-down recursive divide-and-conquer manner
 - At start, all the training examples are at the root
 - Attributes are categorical (if continuous-valued, they are discretized in advance)
 - Examples are partitioned recursively based on selected attributes
 - Test attributes are selected on the basis of a heuristic or statistical measure (e.g., information gain)
- Conditions for stopping partitioning
 - All samples for a given node belong to the same class
 - There are no remaining attributes for further partitioning –
 majority voting is employed for classifying the leaf
 - There are no samples left

Attribute Selection Measure

- Information Gain
- Gain Ratio
- Gini Index

Attribute Selection Measure

 Notation: Let D, the data partition, be a training set of classlabeled tuples.

Suppose the class label attribute has m distinct values defining m distinct classes, C_i (for i=1, ..., m). Let $C_{i,D}$ be the set of tuples of class C_i in D. Let |D| and $|C_{i,D}|$ denote the number of tuples in D and $C_{i,D}$,

• Example:

respectively.

- Class: buys_computer= "yes" or "no"
- Two distinct classes (m=2)
 - Class C_i (i=1,2):
 C₁ = "yes",
 C₂ = "no"

Attribute Selection Measure: Information Gain (ID3/C4.5)

- Select the attribute with the highest information gain
- Let p_i be the probability that an arbitrary tuple in D belongs to class C_i , estimated by $|C_{i,D}|/|D|$
- Expected information (entropy) needed to classify a tuple in D: $Info(D) = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} p_i \log_2(p_i)$

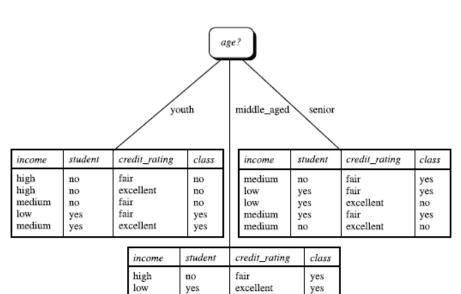
Information needed (after using A to split D into v partitions) to classify D: $Info_A(D) = \sum_{i=1}^{\nu} \frac{|D_j|}{|D|} \times I(D_j)$

Information gained by branching on attribute A

$$Gain(A) = Info(D) - Info_{A}(D)$$

Class-labeled training tuples from the AllElectronics customer database

RID	age	income	student	credit_rating	Class: buys_computer
1	youth	high	no	fair	no
2	youth	high	no	excellent	no
3	middle_aged	high	no	fair	yes
4	senior	medium	no	fair	yes
5	senior	low	yes	fair	yes
6	senior	low	yes	excellent	no
7	middle_aged	low	yes	excellent	yes
8	youth	medium	no	fair	no
9	youth	low	yes	fair	yes
10	senior	medium	yes	fair	yes
11	youth	medium	yes	excellent	yes
12	middle_aged	medium	no	excellent	yes
13	middle_aged	high	yes	fair	yes
14	senior	medium	no	excellent	no



excellent

yes

yes

The attribute age has the highest information gain and therefore becomes the splitting attribute at the root node of the decision tree

medium

no

yes

Attribute Selection: Information Gain

- Class P: buys_computer = "yes"
- Class N: buys computer = "no"

$$Info(D) = I(9,5) = -\frac{9}{14}\log_2(\frac{9}{14}) - \frac{5}{14}\log_2(\frac{5}{14}) = 0.940 + \frac{5}{14}I(3,2) = 0.694$$

age	p _i	n _i	I(p _i , n _i)
<=30	2	3	0.971
3140	4	0	0
>40	3	2	0.971

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$$Info_{age}(D) = \frac{5}{14}I(2,3) + \frac{4}{14}I(4,0) + \frac{5}{14}I(3,2) = 0.694$$

$$\frac{5}{14}I(2,3)$$
 means "age <=30" has 5 out of 14 samples, with 2 yes'es and 3 no's. Hence

$$Gain(age) = Info(D) - Info_{age}(D) = 0.246$$

Similarly,

$$Gain(income) = 0.029$$

$$Gain(student) = 0.151$$

$$Gain(credit_rating) = 0.048$$

k Kamber (2006)

Gain Ratio for Attribute Selection (C4.5)

- Information gain measure is biased towards attributes with a large number of values
- C4.5 (a successor of ID3) uses gain ratio to overcome the problem (normalization to information gain)

$$SplitInfo_A(D) = -\sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \frac{|D_j|}{|D|} \times \log_2(\frac{|D_j|}{|D|})$$

- GainRatio(A) = Gain(A)/SplitInfo(A)
- Ex. $SplitInfo_A(D) = -\frac{4}{14} \times \log_2(\frac{4}{14}) \frac{6}{14} \times \log_2(\frac{6}{14}) \frac{4}{14} \times \log_2(\frac{4}{14}) = 0.926$ - gain ratio(income) = 0.029/0.926 = 0.031
- The attribute with the maximum gain ratio is selected as the splitting attribute

Gini index (CART, IBM IntelligentMiner)

• If a data set D contains examples from n classes, gini index, gini(D) is defined as

$$gini(D)=1-\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}^{2}$$

where p_i is the relative frequency of class j in D

• If a data set D is split on A into two subsets D_1 and D_2 , the gini index gini(D) is defined as

$$gini_A(D) = \frac{|D_1|}{|D|}gini(D_1) + \frac{|D_2|}{|D|}gini(D_2)$$

Reduction in Impurity:

$$\Delta gini(A) = gini(D) - gini_A(D)$$

• The attribute provides the smallest $gini_{split}(D)$ (or the largest reduction in impurity) is chosen to split the node (need to enumerate all the possible splitting points for each attribute)

Gini index (CART, IBM IntelligentMiner)

Ex. D has 9 tuples in buys_computer = "yes" and 5 in "no"

$$gini(D) = 1 - \left(\frac{9}{14}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{5}{14}\right)^2 = 0.459$$

Suppose the attribute income partitions D into 10 in D₁: {low, medium} and 4

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \mathsf{D}_2 & gini_{income \in \{low, medium\}}(D) = \left(\frac{10}{14}\right) Gini(D_1) + \left(\frac{4}{14}\right) Gini(D_1) \\ &= \frac{10}{14} (1 - (\frac{6}{10})^2 - (\frac{4}{10})^2) + \frac{4}{14} (1 - (\frac{1}{4})^2 - (\frac{3}{4})^2) \end{aligned}$$

= 0.450

 $= Gini_{income \in \{high\}}(D)$

but gini_{medium,high} is 0.30 and thus the best since it is the lowest

- All attributes are assumed continuous-valued
- May need other tools, e.g., clustering, to get the possible split values
- Can be modified for categorical attributes

Comparing Attribute Selection Measures

- The three measures, in general, return good results but
 - Information gain:
 - biased towards multivalued attributes
 - Gain ratio:
 - tends to prefer unbalanced splits in which one partition is much smaller than the others
 - Gini index:
 - biased to multivalued attributes
 - has difficulty when # of classes is large
 - tends to favor tests that result in equal-sized partitions and purity in both partitions

Classification in Large Databases

- Classification—a classical problem extensively studied by statisticians and machine learning researchers
- Scalability: Classifying data sets with millions of examples and hundreds of attributes with reasonable speed
- Why decision tree induction in data mining?
 - relatively faster learning speed (than other classification methods)
 - convertible to simple and easy to understand classification rules
 - can use SQL queries for accessing databases
 - comparable classification accuracy with other methods

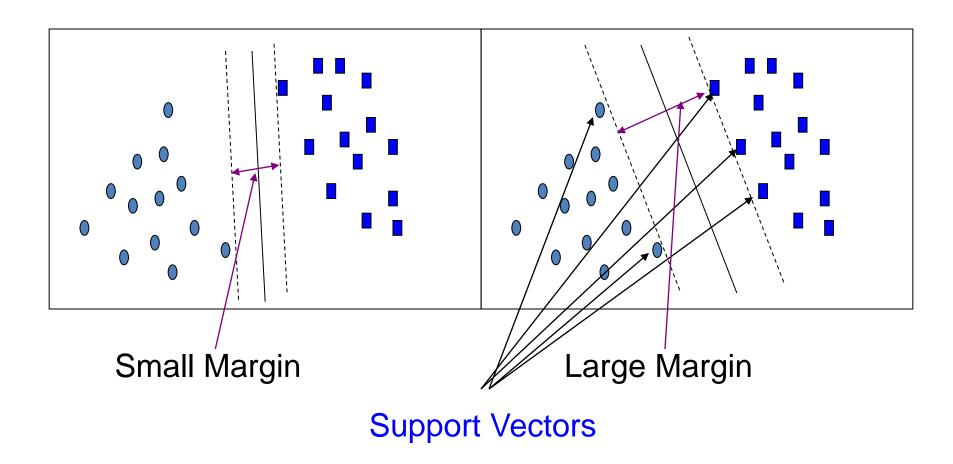
SVM—Support Vector Machines

- A new classification method for both linear and nonlinear data
- It uses a nonlinear mapping to transform the original training data into a higher dimension
- With the new dimension, it searches for the linear optimal separating hyperplane (i.e., "decision boundary")
- With an appropriate nonlinear mapping to a sufficiently high dimension, data from two classes can always be separated by a hyperplane
- SVM finds this hyperplane using support vectors ("essential" training tuples) and margins (defined by the support vectors)

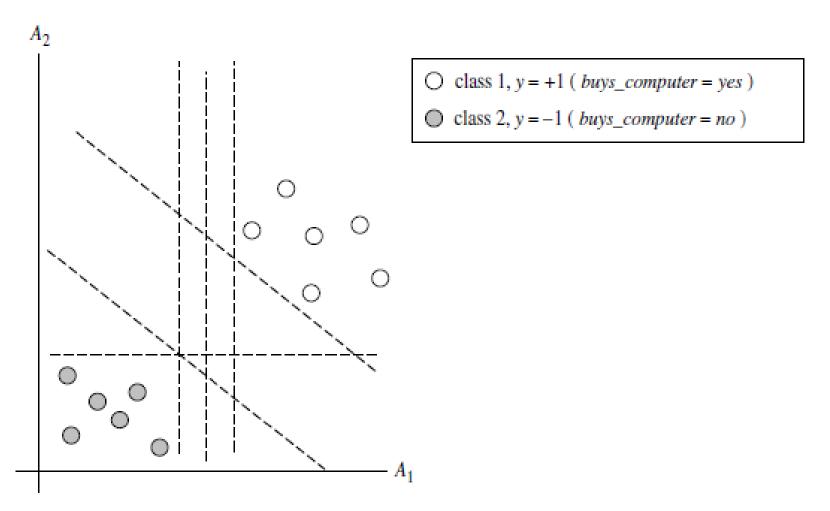
SVM—History and Applications

- Vapnik and colleagues (1992)—groundwork from Vapnik & Chervonenkis' statistical learning theory in 1960s
- Features: training can be slow but accuracy is high owing to their ability to model complex nonlinear decision boundaries (margin maximization)
- Used both for classification and prediction
- Applications:
 - handwritten digit recognition, object recognition, speaker identification, benchmarking time-series prediction tests, document classification

SVM—General Philosophy

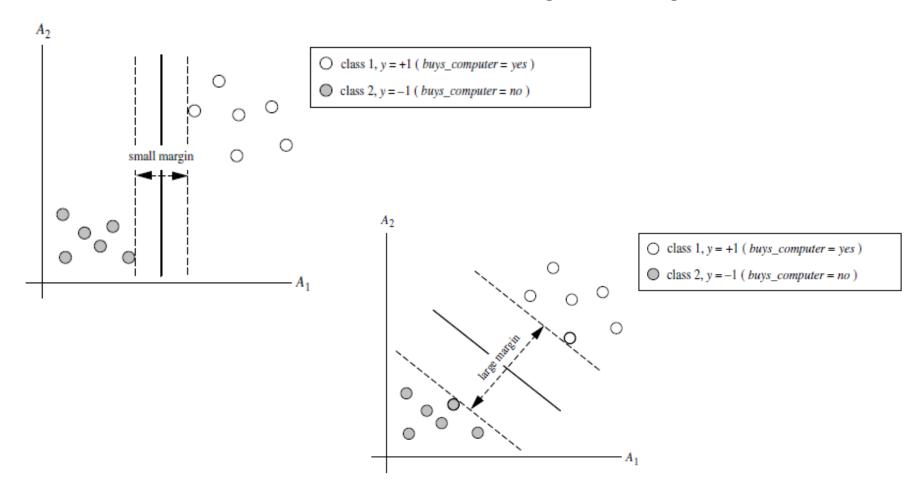


Classification (SVM)



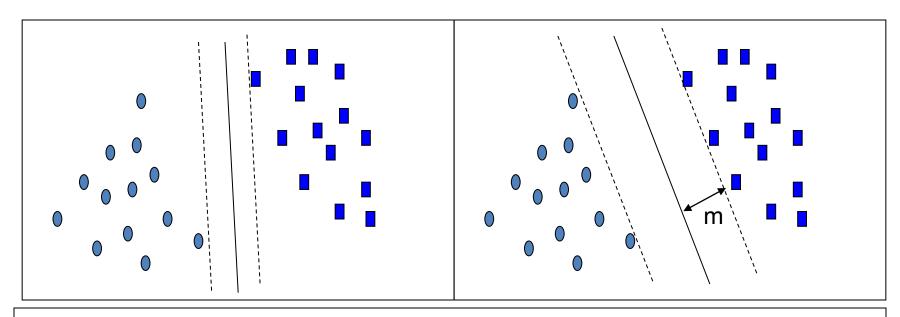
The 2-D training data are linearly separable. There are an infinite number of (possible) separating hyperplanes or "decision boundaries." Which one is best?

Classification (SVM)



Which one is better? The one with the larger margin should have greater generalization accuracy.

SVM—When Data Is Linearly Separable



Let data D be $(\mathbf{X}_1, y_1), \ldots, (\mathbf{X}_{|D|}, y_{|D|})$, where \mathbf{X}_i is the set of training tuples associated with the class labels y_i

There are infinite lines (hyperplanes) separating the two classes but we want to find the best one (the one that minimizes classification error on unseen data)

SVM searches for the hyperplane with the largest margin, i.e., **maximum** marginal hyperplane (MMH)

SVM—Linearly Separable

A separating hyperplane can be written as

$$W - X + b = 0$$

where $\mathbf{W} = \{w_1, w_2, ..., w_n\}$ is a weight vector and b a scalar (bias)

For 2-D it can be written as

$$W_0 + W_1 X_1 + W_2 X_2 = 0$$

The hyperplane defining the sides of the margin:

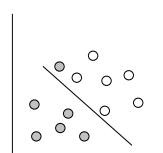
H₁:
$$w_0 + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 \ge 1$$
 for $y_i = +1$, and
H₂: $w_0 + w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 \le -1$ for $y_i = -1$

- Any training tuples that fall on hyperplanes H₁ or H₂ (i.e., the sides defining the margin) are support vectors
- This becomes a constrained (convex) quadratic optimization problem: Quadratic objective function and linear constraints → Quadratic Programming (QP) → Lagrangian multipliers

Why Is SVM Effective on High Dimensional Data?

- The complexity of trained classifier is characterized by the # of support vectors rather than the dimensionality of the data
- The support vectors are the essential or critical training examples —
 they lie closest to the decision boundary (MMH)
- If all other training examples are removed and the training is repeated,
 the same separating hyperplane would be found
- The number of support vectors found can be used to compute an (upper) bound on the expected error rate of the SVM classifier, which is independent of the data dimensionality
- Thus, an SVM with a small number of support vectors can have good generalization, even when the dimensionality of the data is high

SVM—Linearly Inseparable



Transform the original input data into a higher dimensional space

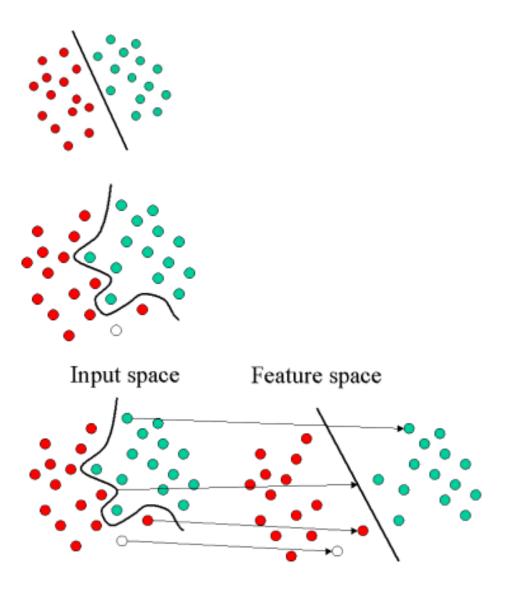
Example 6.8 Nonlinear transformation of original input data into a higher dimensional space. Consider the following example. A 3D input vector $\mathbf{X} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is mapped into a 6D space Z using the mappings $\phi_1(X) = x_1, \phi_2(X) = x_2, \phi_3(X) = x_3, \phi_4(X) = (x_1)^2, \phi_5(X) = x_1x_2, \text{ and } \phi_6(X) = x_1x_3.$ A decision hyperplane in the new space is $d(\mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{WZ} + b$, where \mathbf{W} and \mathbf{Z} are vectors. This is linear. We solve for \mathbf{W} and b and then substitute back so that we see that the linear decision hyperplane in the new (\mathbf{Z}) space corresponds to a nonlinear second order polynomial in the original 3-D input space,

$$d(Z) = w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 + w_4(x_1)^2 + w_5x_1x_2 + w_6x_1x_3 + b$$

= $w_1z_1 + w_2z_2 + w_3z_3 + w_4z_4 + w_5z_5 + w_6z_6 + b$

Search for a linear separating hyperplane in the new space

Mapping Input Space to Feature Space



SVM—Kernel functions

- Instead of computing the dot product on the transformed data tuples, it is mathematically equivalent to instead applying a kernel function K(X_i, X_i) to the original data, i.e., K(X_i, X_i) = Φ(X_i) Φ(X_i)
- Typical Kernel Functions

Polynomial kernel of degree
$$h: K(X_i, X_j) = (X_i \cdot X_j + 1)^h$$

Gaussian radial basis function kernel : $K(X_i, X_j) = e^{-\|X_i - X_j\|^2/2\sigma^2}$

Sigmoid kernel:
$$K(X_i, X_j) = \tanh(\kappa X_i \cdot X_j - \delta)$$

 SVM can also be used for classifying multiple (> 2) classes and for regression analysis (with additional user parameters)

SVM vs. Neural Network

SVM

- Relatively new concept
- Deterministic algorithm
- Nice Generalization properties
- Hard to learn learned in batch mode using quadratic programming techniques
- Using kernels can learn very complex functions

- Neural Network
 - Relatively old
 - Nondeterministic algorithm
 - Generalizes well but doesn't have strong mathematical foundation
 - Can easily be learned in incremental fashion
 - To learn complex functions—use multilayer perceptron (not that trivial)

SVM Related Links

- SVM Website
 - http://www.kernel-machines.org/
- Representative implementations
 - LIBSVM
 - an efficient implementation of SVM, multi-class classifications, nu-SVM, one-class SVM, including also various interfaces with java, python, etc.
 - SVM-light
 - simpler but performance is not better than LIBSVM, support only binary classification and only C language
 - SVM-torch
 - another recent implementation also written in C.

Accuracy of Classification Models

 In classification problems, the primary source for accuracy estimation is the confusion matrix

		True Class	
		Positive	Negative
Predicted Class	Positive	True Positive Count (TP)	False Positive Count (FP)
	Negative	False Negative Count (FN)	True Negative Count (TN)

$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

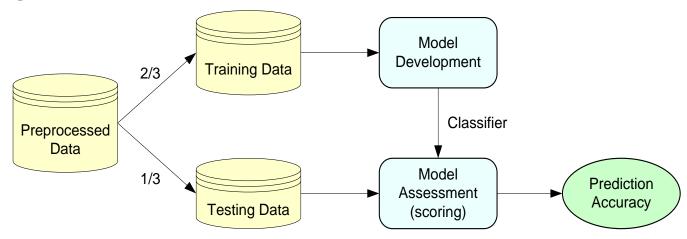
$$True\ Positive\ Rate = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$True\ Negative\ Rate = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$
 $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$

Estimation Methodologies for Classification

- Simple split (or holdout or test sample estimation)
 - Split the data into 2 mutually exclusive sets training (~70%) and testing (30%)

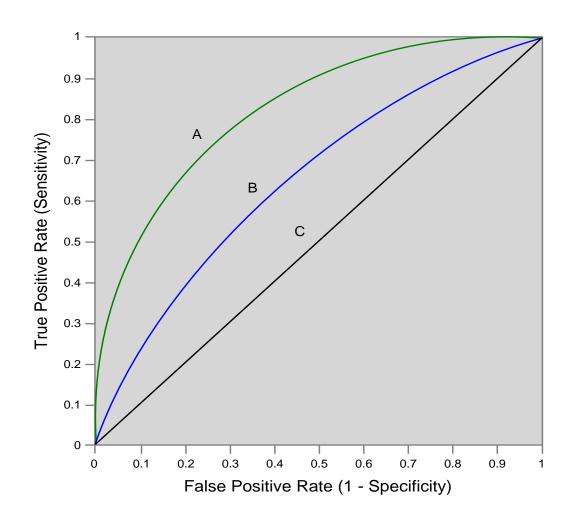


 For ANN, the data is split into three sub-sets (training [~60%], validation [~20%], testing [~20%])

Estimation Methodologies for Classification

- k-Fold Cross Validation (rotation estimation)
 - Split the data into k mutually exclusive subsets
 - Use each subset as testing while using the rest of the subsets as training
 - Repeat the experimentation for k times
 - Aggregate the test results for true estimation of prediction accuracy training
- Other estimation methodologies
 - Leave-one-out, bootstrapping, jackknifing
 - Area under the ROC curve

Estimation Methodologies for Classification – ROC Curve



Predictor Error Measures

- Measure predictor accuracy: measure how far off the predicted value is from the actual known value
- **Loss function**: measures the error betw. y_i and the predicted value y_i'
 - Absolute error: $|y_i y_i'|$
 - Squared error: $(y_i y_i')^2$
- Test error (generalization error): the average loss over the test set

 - Mean absolute error: $\frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{d}|y_i-y_i'|}{d}$ Mean squared error: $\frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{d}(y_i-y_i')^2}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{d}|y_i-y_i'|}$ Relative squared error: $\frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{d}(y_i-y_i')^2}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{d}(y_i-\overline{y}_i')^2}$

The mean squared-error exaggerates the presence of outliers

Popularly use (square) root mean-square error, similarly, root relative squared error

Evaluating the Accuracy of a Classifier or Predictor (I)

Holdout method

- Given data is randomly partitioned into two independent sets
 - Training set (e.g., 2/3) for model construction
 - Test set (e.g., 1/3) for accuracy estimation
- Random sampling: a variation of holdout
 - Repeat holdout k times, accuracy = avg. of the accuracies obtained
- Cross-validation (k-fold, where k = 10 is most popular)
 - Randomly partition the data into k mutually exclusive subsets, each approximately equal size
 - At i-th iteration, use D_i as test set and others as training set
 - <u>Leave-one-out</u>: k folds where k = # of tuples, for small sized data
 - Stratified cross-validation: folds are stratified so that class dist. in each fold is approx. the same as that in the initial data

Evaluating the Accuracy of a Classifier or Predictor (II)

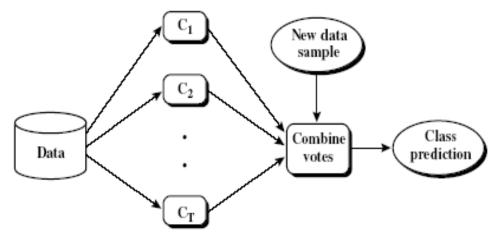
Bootstrap

- Works well with small data sets
- Samples the given training tuples uniformly with replacement
 - i.e., each time a tuple is selected, it is equally likely to be selected again and re-added to the training set
- Several boostrap methods, and a common one is .632 boostrap
 - Suppose we are given a data set of d tuples. The data set is sampled d times, with replacement, resulting in a training set of d samples. The data tuples that did not make it into the training set end up forming the test set. About 63.2% of the original data will end up in the bootstrap, and the remaining 36.8% will form the test set (since $(1 1/d)^d \approx e^{-1} = 0.368$)
 - Repeat the sampling procedue k times, overall accuracy of the model:

$$acc(M) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} (0.632 \times acc(M_i)_{test_set} + 0.368 \times acc(M_i)_{train_set})$$

Source: Han & Kamber (2006)

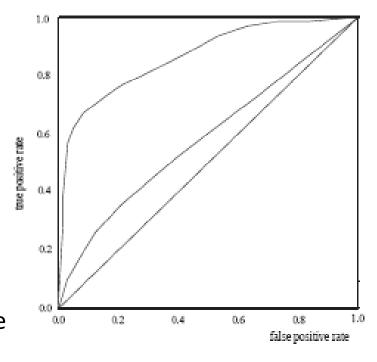
Ensemble Methods: Increasing the Accuracy



- Ensemble methods
 - Use a combination of models to increase accuracy
 - Combine a series of k learned models, M_1 , M_2 , ..., M_k , with the aim of creating an improved model M^*
- Popular ensemble methods
 - Bagging: averaging the prediction over a collection of classifiers
 - Boosting: weighted vote with a collection of classifiers
 - Ensemble: combining a set of heterogeneous classifiers

Model Selection: ROC Curves

- ROC (Receiver Operating Characteristics) curves: for visual comparison of classification models
- Originated from signal detection theory
- Shows the trade-off between the true positive rate and the false positive rate
- The area under the ROC curve is a measure of the accuracy of the model
- Rank the test tuples in decreasing order: the one that is most likely to belong to the positive class appears at the top of the list
- The closer to the diagonal line (i.e., the closer the area is to 0.5), the less accurate is the model



- Vertical axis represents the true positive rate
- Horizontal axis rep. the false positive rate
- The plot also shows a diagonal line
- A model with perfect accuracy will have an area of 1.0

Summary

- Classification and Prediction
- Decision Tree
- Support Vector Machine (SVM)
- Evaluation (Accuracy of Classification Model)

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