

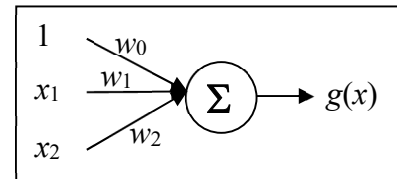
Ch04 – Classifiers

Tutorial Answer

1. For a two-class problem:

$$g(x) = w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_2$$

where x_1 and x_2 is the feature 1 and 2 of a sample.
If $g(x) > 0$, sample x belongs to class 1;
otherwise, it is class 2. Given that w_0 , w_1 and w_2
are 3.5, 5.6 and 2.5 respectively. What is the
value of $g(x)$ and the class when



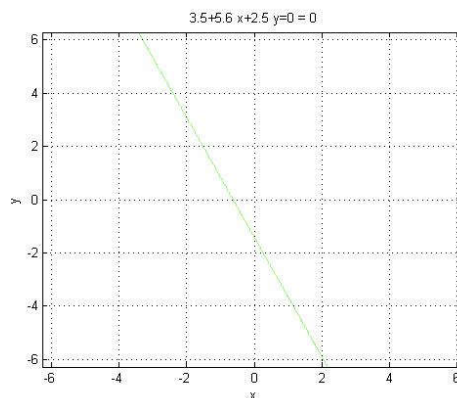
$$g(x) = X'W$$

where $X = (1 \ x_1 \ x_2)^t$ and
 $W = (w_0 \ w_1 \ w_2)^t$

- a) $x = (-3.0 \ 2.1)$ b) $x = (1.5 \ 3.6)$ c) $x = (-2.0 \ 3.08)$

Answer:

- a) Class 2
b) Class 1
c) On the decision boundary
(can be either class 1 and class 2)



2. Mary wants to solve a 4-class problem:

	x_1	x_2	ω
1	1	5	1
2	3	4	1
3	4	6	2
4	4	8	2

	x_1	x_2	ω
5	6	2	3
6	8	3	3
7	7	5	4
8	8	5	4

However, she only can use binary classifiers.

a) Can you suggest two methods to help Mary?

Answer:

1-against-all and 1-against-1

b) How many binary classifiers should be trained for each method? What are they?
How do these methods work?

Answer:

1-against-all method needs 4 binary classifiers:

$$g_{1vs234}(x), g_{2vs134}(x), g_{3vs124}(x), g_{4vs123}(x)$$

If $g_{1vs234}(x) > 0, g_{2vs134}(x) < 0, g_{3vs124}(x) < 0, g_{4vs123}(x) < 0, x$ is class 1

1-against-1 method need 6 binary classifiers:

$$g_{1vs2}(x), g_{1vs3}(x), g_{1vs4}(x), \\ g_{2vs3}(x), g_{2vs4}(x), g_{3vs4}(x)$$

If $g_{1vs2}(x) > 0, g_{1vs3}(x) > 0, g_{1vs4}(x) > 0, x$ is class 1

c) Please discuss the pros and cons of these two methods.

Answer:

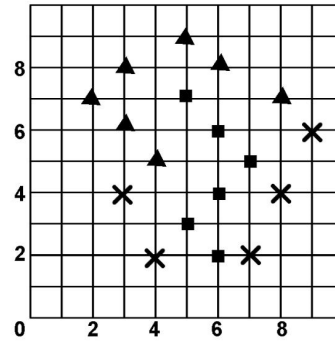
1-against-All needs a smaller number of classifiers

1-against-1 has a smaller ambiguous region

3.

a) According to K-nn, which class the followings samples should belong to when $K = 1$?

- i) (5, 5) ii) (7.5, 4) iii) (6, 7)



Answer:

- i) Triangle
ii) cross
iii) Unknown (triangle or square)

b) If $K = 3$, what is the answer of part (a)?

Answer:

- i) square
ii) square
iii) square

4. Bob wants to try a Decision Tree algorithm on a simple dataset listed as follows. The dataset has 8 instances each of which has 3 attributes and a class label. The attributes are abstracted as x_1 , x_2 , and x_3 and the class label as Y . All of them are binary variables.

Sample	x_1	x_2	x_3	Y
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	1	0	1
4	0	1	1	1
5	1	0	1	1
6	1	0	1	1
7	1	1	0	0
8	1	1	0	0

a) What is the value of the Entropy of class labels, $H(Y)$, in the dataset?

Answer:

$$H(Y) = -\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = 1$$

- b) What are the Information Gains of Y with respect to each of the three attributes, $IG(Y, x_1)$, $IG(Y, x_2)$ and $IG(Y, x_3)$?

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y | x_1) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y | x_2) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(Y | x_3) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \right) \\ &= \left(-\frac{1}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) - \frac{3}{4} \log_2 \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \right) \\ &= 0.8113 \end{aligned}$$

$$IG(Y, x_1) = H(Y) - H(Y | x_1) = 0$$

$$IG(Y, x_2) = H(Y) - H(Y | x_2) = 0$$

$$IG(Y, x_3) = H(Y) - H(Y | x_3) = 0.1887$$

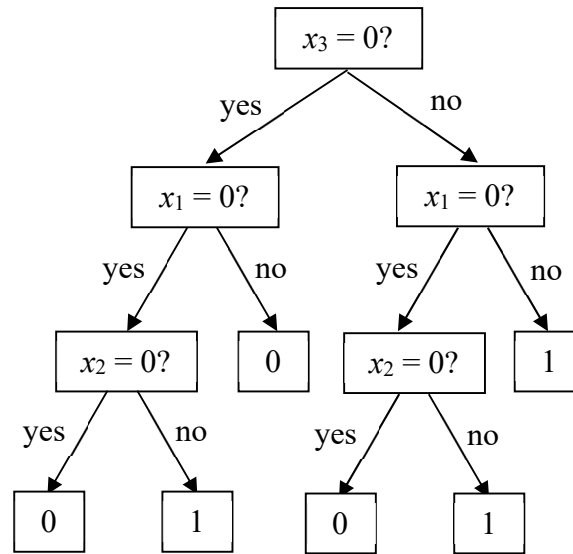
- c) Which attribute should be chosen for the root according to the algorithm?

Answer:

Feature 3 should be used as it has the highest Information Gain among three features.

d) Build the rest of the tree according to the Information Gains.

Answer:



Sample	x_1	x_2	Y
1	0	0	0
3	0	1	1
7	1	1	0
8	1	1	0

Sample	x_1	x_2	Y
2	0	0	0
4	0	1	1
5	1	0	1
6	1	0	1

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- e) Bob wants to prune the tree as he thinks the tree is too complicated. Which node should be deleted and why?

Answer:

Either one of the nodes in middle layer [$x_1 = 0?$] in the decision tree can be deleted. This is because removing one of these nodes only misclassifies one sample.