

## BITS F464: Machine Learning

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# Boosting Bagging



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### Boosting

- Can an **ensemble** of weak learners get a strong one

$$H(x) = \text{sign}(h^1(x) + h^2(x) + h^3(x) + \dots)$$

- What is error rate?

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (H(x^{(i)}) \neq y^{(i)}) = \sum_{\text{wrong}} \frac{1}{m}$$

**Three** weak learners, having error on **different data points** is perfect

- But, most likely it is not going to be the case
- We can do the following
  - Get weak learner  $h^1$  (that is best)
  - Exaggerate the data where  $h^1$  errs and get weak learner  $h^2$
  - Exaggerate again the data for  $h^1 \neq h^2$  and get weak learner  $h^3$
- Will this work?

### Boosting

- Let **each data point** have a **weight**  $w_i$  associated with them. Initially  $w_i = \frac{1}{m}$  so that error rate becomes

$$\epsilon = \sum_{\text{wrong}} \frac{1}{m} = \sum_{i \in \text{wrong}} w_i$$

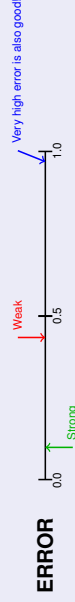
- Sum of weights is 1
- Weights are modified in every round

### Classification

- Binary classification approaches
  - Linear classifiers
  - Quadratic classifiers
  - Bayesian classification
  - Support vector machines
  - Decision trees
  - Neural networks
  - k-nearest neighbor

Which one to use?

Weak and strong classifier?



### Boosting

- Boosting uses **ensemble** of learners (weak ones)
- AdaBoost<sup>1</sup> is one of the widely used boosting algorithm
- Given with  $m$  labeled training examples  $(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$  where the  $x^{(i)} \in \mathcal{X}$ , and the labels  $y^{(i)} \in \{-1, +1\}$
- Round  $t$**  computes a distribution  $D_t$  over training examples. Weak learning algorithm is applied to find a suitable (low weighted error  $\epsilon_t$  relative to  $D_t$ ) weak hypothesis  $h_t : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \{-1, +1\}$
- Final or combined hypothesis  $H$  computes the sign of a weighted combination of weak hypotheses

$$H(x) = \text{sign}\left(\sum_{t=1}^T \alpha_t h_t(x)\right)$$

<sup>1</sup> A decision-theoretic generalization of on-line learning and an application to boosting. Freund, Yoav, and Schapire, Robert E. European conference on computational learning theory, pp 23-37. Springer(1995).

### AdaBoost Algorithm

**Algorithm 1:** AdaBoost

- Initialize**  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  to  $\frac{1}{m}$
- for** round  $t = 1$  to  $T$  **do**
- Choose hypothesis**  $h^t$  minimizing error  $\epsilon^t$  on **current distribution**
- Compute  $\alpha_t = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1-\epsilon^t}{\epsilon^t}\right)$
- Update** all  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  values
- return**  $h$  and  $\alpha$
- Update of weights  $w_i$  at time  $t$  is done using

$$w_i^{t+1} = \frac{w_i^t}{z_t} e^{-\alpha_t h^t(x^{(i)} y^{(i)})}$$

for all data point  $i$ . e. value of  $i$  varies from 1 to  $m$

- Here  $z_t$  is a normalization factor

## Normalization factor

- Here  $z_t$  is a normalization factor so

$$\begin{aligned}
 z_t &= \sum_{i=1}^m w_i^t e^{-(\alpha_i t)(x^{(i)} y^{(i)})} \\
 &= \sum_{i \in \text{Right}} w_i^t e^{-(\alpha_i t)(x^{(i)} y^{(i)})} + \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i^t e^{-(\alpha_i t)(x^{(i)} y^{(i)})} \\
 &= \sum_{i \in \text{Right}} w_i^t e^{-\alpha_i t} + \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i^t e^{-\alpha_i(-1)t} \\
 &= \sum_{i \in \text{Right}} w_i^t \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon^t}{1-\epsilon^t}} + \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i^t \sqrt{\frac{1-\epsilon^t}{\epsilon^t}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon^t}{1-\epsilon^t}} \sum_{i \in \text{Right}} w_i^t + \sqrt{\frac{1-\epsilon^t}{\epsilon^t}} \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i^t \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon^t}{1-\epsilon^t}} (1-\epsilon^t) + \sqrt{\frac{1-\epsilon^t}{\epsilon^t}} \epsilon^t \\
 &= 2\sqrt{\epsilon^t(1-\epsilon^t)}
 \end{aligned}$$

## AdaBoost at work

Consider the following data set

( x y )
S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)
S <sub>2</sub> (2, -1)
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)
S <sub>4</sub> (4, +1)
S <sub>5</sub> (5, +1)
S <sub>6</sub> (6, +1)
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)
S <sub>9</sub> (9, -1)
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)

- Round-00:** initialize weights

$$\begin{matrix} w_1 & w_2 & w_3 & w_4 & w_5 & w_6 & w_7 & w_8 & w_9 & w_{10} \\ 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 \end{matrix}$$

- Round-01:** Let sampling according to  $w$  produces (3, 10, 8, 2, 7, 5, 1, 3, 8, 3) so following sub-set of data is considered

S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)
S <sub>2</sub> (2, -1)
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)
S <sub>5</sub> (5, +1)
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)

Consider various hypothesis

## AdaBoost at work (Round-01)

Threshold is 2.5

( x y )	h <sub>1</sub>
S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)	-1
S <sub>2</sub> (2, -1)	-1
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)	+1
S <sub>4</sub> (4, +1)	+1
S <sub>5</sub> (5, +1)	+1
S <sub>6</sub> (6, +1)	+1
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)	+1
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)	+1
S <sub>9</sub> (9, -1)	+1
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)	+1

- Error rate  $\epsilon = \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i = w_8 + w_9 + w_{10} = 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 = 0.3$
- $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-\epsilon}{\epsilon} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-0.3}{0.3} \right) = 0.4236$
- Weights are modified according to

$$w_i = w_i \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\epsilon} = 1.6666 & \text{correct} \\ \frac{2(1-\epsilon)}{\epsilon} = 0.7142 & \text{wrong} \end{cases}$$

w <sub>1</sub>	w <sub>2</sub>	w <sub>3</sub>	w <sub>4</sub>	w <sub>5</sub>	w <sub>6</sub>	w <sub>7</sub>	w <sub>8</sub>	w <sub>9</sub>	w <sub>10</sub>
0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.17	0.17	0.17

## Boosting

- Weight update for correctly classified data point
- Weight update is therefore for wrongly classified data point

$$w_i^{t+1} = w_i^t \frac{1}{2(1-\epsilon^t)}$$

$$w_i^{t+1} = w_i^t \frac{1}{2\epsilon^t}$$

## Final hypothesis

$$H(x) = \text{sign}(\alpha_1 h^1(x) + \alpha_2 h^2(x) + \alpha_3 h^3(x) + \dots)$$

$$\epsilon^t = \sum_{i \in \text{Wrong}} w_i^t$$

## AdaBoost at work (Round-01)

	h <sub>a</sub>	h <sub>b</sub>	h <sub>c</sub>	h <sub>d</sub>	h <sub>e</sub>	h <sub>r</sub>	h <sub>g</sub>	h <sub>h</sub>
S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
S <sub>2</sub> (2, -1)	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1
S <sub>5</sub> (5, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1

- Select  $h_c$  as  $h_1$
- What is decision threshold? 2.5
- Compute error on whole dataset

## AdaBoost at work (Round-02)

Consider the data set

( x y )
S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)
S <sub>2</sub> (2, -1)
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)
S <sub>4</sub> (4, +1)
S <sub>5</sub> (5, +1)
S <sub>6</sub> (6, +1)
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)
S <sub>9</sub> (9, -1)
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)

- Round-02:** Let sampling according to new  $w$  produces (8, 10, 7, 10, 3, 1, 10, 8, 4, 9) so following sub-set of data is considered

S <sub>1</sub> (1, -1)
S <sub>3</sub> (3, +1)
S <sub>4</sub> (4, +1)
S <sub>7</sub> (7, +1)
S <sub>8</sub> (8, -1)
S <sub>9</sub> (9, -1)
S <sub>10</sub> (10, -1)

Consider various hypothesis

## AdaBoost at work (Round-02)

	$h_a$	$h_b$	$h_c$	$h_d$	$h_e$	$h_f$	$h_g$	$h_h$
$S_1$	(1, -1)	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_3$	(3, +1)	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_4$	(4, +1)	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_7$	(7, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1
$S_8$	(8, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1
$S_9$	(9, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1
$S_{10}$	(10, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1

- Select  $h_h$  as  $h_2$
- What is decision threshold? 10.5
- Compute error on whole dataset

## AdaBoost at work (Round-03)

Consider the data set

	$(x, y)$
$S_1$	(1, -1)
$S_2$	(2, -1)
$S_3$	(3, +1)
$S_4$	(4, +1)
$S_5$	(5, +1)
$S_6$	(6, +1)
$S_7$	(7, +1)
$S_8$	(8, -1)
$S_9$	(9, -1)
$S_{10}$	(10, -1)

- **Round-03:** Let sampling according to new  $w$  produces (8, 7, 4, 8, 6, 9, 5, 8, 3, 4) so following sub-set of data is considered

	$(x, y)$
$S_3$	(3, +1)
$S_4$	(4, +1)
$S_5$	(5, +1)
$S_6$	(6, +1)
$S_7$	(7, +1)
$S_8$	(8, -1)
$S_9$	(9, -1)

## AdaBoost at work (Round-03)

Threshold is 0.5

	$(x, y)$	$h_3$
$S_1$	(1, -1)	+1
$S_2$	(2, -1)	+1
$S_3$	(3, +1)	+1
$S_4$	(4, +1)	+1
$S_5$	(5, +1)	+1
$S_6$	(6, +1)	+1
$S_7$	(7, +1)	+1
$S_8$	(8, -1)	+1
$S_9$	(9, -1)	+1
$S_{10}$	(10, -1)	+1

- Error rate  $\epsilon = \sum_{i \in \text{wrong}} w_i = 2 \times 0.037 + 3 \times 0.091 = 0.34$
- $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-\epsilon}{0.34} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-0.34}{0.34} \right) = 0.3316$
- We may continue for next round like that
- Let use see our accuracy now

## AdaBoost at work (Round-02)

Threshold is 10.5

	$(x, y)$	$h_2$
$S_1$	(1, -1)	-1
$S_2$	(2, -1)	-1
$S_3$	(3, +1)	-1
$S_4$	(4, +1)	-1
$S_5$	(5, +1)	-1
$S_6$	(6, +1)	-1
$S_7$	(7, +1)	-1
$S_8$	(8, -1)	-1
$S_9$	(9, -1)	-1
$S_{10}$	(10, -1)	-1

- Error rate  $\epsilon = \sum_{i \in \text{wrong}} w_i = w_3 + w_4 + w_5 + w_6 + w_7 = 5 \times 0.07 = 0.35$
- $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-\epsilon}{0.35} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1-0.35}{0.35} \right) = 0.3095$
- Weights are modified according to

$$w_i = w_i \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2(1-\epsilon)} = 0.7692 & \text{correct} \\ \frac{1}{2\epsilon} = 1.4285 & \text{wrong} \end{cases}$$

	$w_1$	$w_2$	$w_3$	$w_4$	$w_5$	$w_6$	$w_7$	$w_8$	$w_9$	$w_{10}$
	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.17	0.17	0.17
	0.037	0.037	0.177	0.177	0.177	0.177	0.177	0.091	0.091	0.091

## AdaBoost at work (Round-03)

	$h_a$	$h_b$	$h_c$	$h_d$	$h_e$	$h_f$	$h_g$	$h_h$
$S_3$	(3, +1)	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_4$	(4, +1)	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_5$	(5, +1)	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1	-1
$S_6$	(6, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	-1
$S_7$	(7, +1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1
$S_8$	(8, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	-1
$S_9$	(9, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1

- Select  $h_a$  as  $h_3$
- What is decision threshold? 0.5
- Compute error on whole dataset

## AdaBoost at work (Round-03)

$(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (0.4236, 0.3095, 0.3316)$

	$(x, y)$	$h_1$	$h_2$	$h_3$	$\text{sign}(\sum_i \alpha_i \times h_i)$
$S_1$	(1, -1)	-1	-1	+1	-1
$S_2$	(2, -1)	-1	-1	+1	-1
$S_3$	(3, +1)	+1	-1	+1	+1
$S_4$	(4, +1)	+1	-1	+1	+1
$S_5$	(5, +1)	+1	-1	+1	+1
$S_6$	(6, +1)	+1	-1	+1	+1
$S_7$	(7, +1)	+1	-1	+1	+1
$S_8$	(8, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1
$S_9$	(9, -1)	+1	+1	+1	+1
$S_{10}$	(10, -1)	+1	-1	+1	+1

