Problem 1: Parametric Estimation

1. Since samples $x_1, ..., x_n$ are drawn independently from the Bernoulli distribution,

$$p(D|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} (p(x_i|\theta))$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{(1-x_i)}$$
$$= \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i} (1-\theta)^{(n-\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i)}$$

Because $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$, the previous equation can be expressed as $p(D|\theta) = \theta^s (1-\theta)^{(n-s)}$ with $s = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$.

2. Since θ denotes the probability of getting head or tail and a uniform prior is assumed,

$$\theta \sim U(0,1) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \le \theta \le 1 \\ 0 & else \end{cases}$$

According to Bayes parameter estimation:

$$p(\theta|D) = \frac{p(D|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(D)}$$
$$= \frac{p(D|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int_0^1 p(D|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta}$$

where

$$p(D|\theta)p(\theta) = \begin{cases} \theta^s (1-\theta)^{(n-s)} & 0 \le \theta \le 1\\ 0 & else \end{cases}$$

 $\quad \text{and} \quad$

$$\int_0^1 p(D|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta$$
$$= \int_0^1 \theta^s (1-\theta)^{(n-s)} d\theta$$
$$= \frac{s!(n-s)!}{(n+1)!}$$

Thus we can get

$$p(\theta|D) = \frac{p(D|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int_0^1 p(D|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta} = \frac{(n+1)!}{s!(n-s)!}\theta^s(1-\theta)^{n-s}$$

for $0 \le \theta \le 1$

3.

$$\begin{split} p(x|D) &= \int_0^1 p(x|\theta) p(\theta|D) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^1 \theta^x (1-\theta)^{(1-x)} \frac{(n+1)!}{s!(n-s)!} \theta^s (1-\theta)^{n-s} d\theta \\ &= \frac{(n+1)!}{s!(n-s)!} \int_0^1 \theta^{(x+s)} (1-\theta)^{(n+1-s-x)} d\theta \\ &= \frac{(n+1)!}{s!(n-s)!} \frac{(x+s)!(n+1-s-x)!}{(n+2)!} \\ &= \frac{(x+s)!(n+1-s-x)!}{s!(n-s)!(n+2)} \end{split}$$

Since
$$x \in \{0, 1\}, p(x = 0|D) = \frac{s!(n - s + 1)!}{s!(n - s)!(n + 2)} = \frac{n - s + 1}{n + 2} = 1 - \frac{s + 1}{n + 2},$$

 $p(x = 1|D) = \frac{(1 + s)!(n - s)!}{s!(n - s)!(n + 2)} = \frac{s + 1}{n + 2},$ we can get:
 $p(x|D) = \left(\frac{s + 1}{n + 2}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{s + 1}{n + 2}\right)^{1 - x}$

4. According to maximum likelihood estimation,

$$\hat{\theta} = argmax_{\theta}p(D|\theta) = argmax_{\theta}(\theta^s(1-\theta)^{(n-s)})$$

We can get $\hat{\theta}$ through:

$$\frac{dp(D|\theta)}{d\theta} = s\theta^{(s-1)}(1-\theta)^{(n-s)} - (n-s)\theta^s(1-\theta)^{(n-s-1)} = 0$$

Thus

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{s}{n}$$

and

$$p(x|\hat{\theta}) = \hat{\theta}^x (1-\hat{\theta})^{(1-x)} = (\frac{s}{n})^x (1-\frac{s}{n})^{(1-x)}$$

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Problem2: Nonparametric Methods

1. Because conditional densities are uniform within unit hyperspheres a distance of ten units apart. Which means, the *n* samples will be distributed inside two different unit hyperspheres based on their labels. If we are given a input *x* which belongs to ω_i , samples with the same label ω_i will be nearer to *x* than samples with the other label, because the two unit hyperspheres for the two classes have distance of ten units.

Thus, if x was classified to a wrong class, number of samples with the same label ω_i must be less than (k + 1)/2 such that the kNN method

will include more samples with the other label. Therefore, the probability of error is the probability of having number of samples in ω_i less than (k+1)/2, which can be represented as:

$$P_n(e) = \sum_{j=0}^{(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{j} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{1}{2^{(n-k)}} = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{j=0}^{(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{j}$$

2. For single-nearest neighbor rule, the probability of error is:

$$P_n^1(e) = P_n(e)|_{k=0} = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

For k > 1,

$$P_n(e) = \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{j=0}^{(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{j} = \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^n} \sum_{j=1}^{(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{j} > P_n^1(e)$$

Thus, the single-nearest neighbor rule has a lower error rate than the k-nearest-neighbor error rate for k > 1.

3. When
$$\frac{k-1}{2} < \frac{n}{2}$$
, $\binom{n}{j} < \binom{n}{(k-1)/2}$ for any $j < \frac{k-1}{2}$, thus we can have:
$$\sum_{j=0}^{(k-1)/2} \binom{n}{j} < \frac{k+1}{2} \binom{n}{(k-1)/2}$$

Furthermore, Since $\binom{n}{j}$ is an increasing function of j with $0 \le j \le n/2$, and

$$2^{n} = \sum_{j=0}^{n} \binom{n}{j} = 2\sum_{j=0}^{n/2} \binom{n}{j} > 2\sum_{(k-1)/2}^{n/2} \binom{n}{j}$$

we will have:

$$2^n > 2(\frac{n}{2} - \frac{k-1}{2})\binom{n}{(k-1)/2}$$

Therefore:

$$P_n(e) < \frac{\frac{k+1}{2} \binom{n}{(k-1)/2}}{2(\frac{n}{2} - \frac{k-1}{2})\binom{n}{(k-1)/2}} = \frac{\frac{k+1}{2}}{n - (k-1)} < \frac{a\sqrt{n} + 1}{2n - 2a\sqrt{n} + 2}$$

when $\frac{k-1}{2} < \frac{n}{2}$ Since $k < a\sqrt{n}, \frac{k-1}{2} < \frac{n}{2}$ is true when $n > a^2$ Therefore, as $n \to \infty, P_n(e) < \frac{a\sqrt{n+1}}{2n-2a\sqrt{n+2}}$, since

$$n \to \infty, \frac{a\sqrt{n+1}}{2n - 2a\sqrt{n+2}} \to 0$$

we can prove that $P_n(e) \to 0$, as $n \to \infty$