

Derivative-Free Optimization for Hyper-Parameter Tuning in Machine Learning Problems

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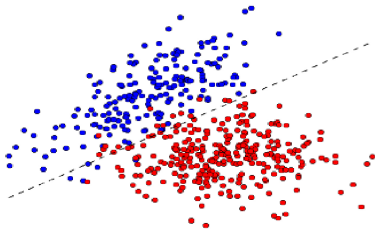
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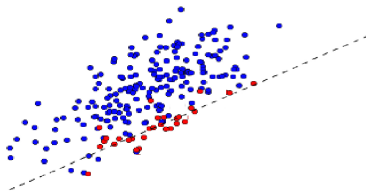
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Learning From Imbalanced Data Sets

- ▶ Many real-world machine learning problems are dealing with imbalanced learning data



(a) Balanced data set



(b) Imbalanced data set

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Learning From Imbalanced Data Sets

- ▶ **Rare positive example**, as the minority class, but **numerous negative ones**, as the majority class
- ▶ In many applications the **minority** class is the **more interesting** and **important** one
- ▶ The rare class has a **much higher misclassification cost** compared to the majority class

Learning From Imbalanced Data Sets

- Most common methods for dealing with imbalance data sets

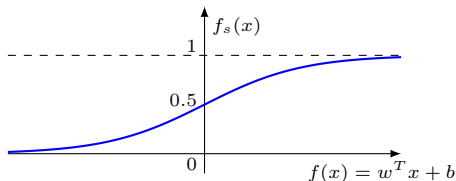
Methods	Advantages	Drawbacks
Undersampling	Independent of underlying classifier	May remove significant patterns
Oversampling	Independent of underlying classifier Can be easily implemented	Time consuming May lead to over-fitting
Cost sensitive	Minimizes the cost of misclassification	The misclassification costs are unknown

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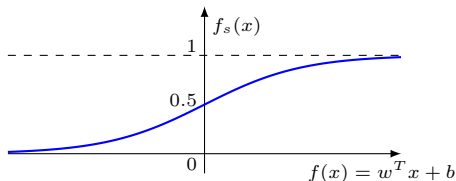


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- ▶ In perfect classification, all positive examples are ranked higher than the negative ones.



Receiver Operating Characteristic(ROC) Curve

- Sorted outputs based on descending value of $f_s(x)$



- Confusion Matrix of a binary classification problem, for a specific threshold to decide when negative turns into positive example

	+ve (Predicted Class)	-ve (Predicted Class)
+ve (Actual Class)	True Positive (TP)	False Negative (FN)
-ve (Actual Class)	False Positive (FP)	True Negative (TN)

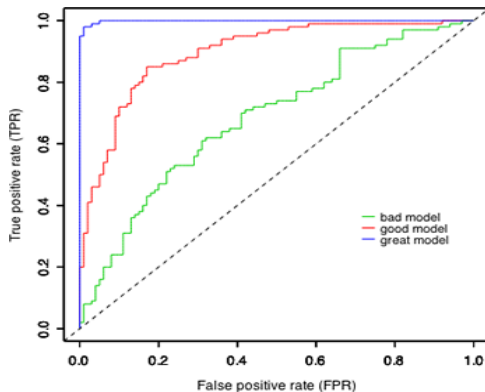
- Various thresholds result in different $\text{True Positive Rate} = \frac{TP}{TP+FN}$ and $\text{False Positive Rate} = \frac{FP}{FP+TN}$.

Definition 1

ROC curve presents the tradeoff between the true positive rate and the false positive rate, for all possible thresholds.

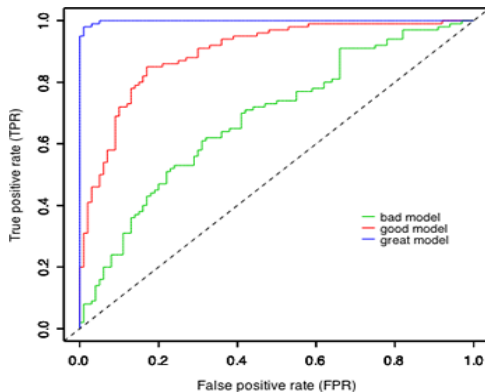
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- How we can compare ROC curves? Higher AUC $\implies$ Better classifier



Measuring AUC

- ▶ How can we measure the value of AUC of a classifier?

Lemma 2

Consider linear classifier $f(x) = w^T x + b$, which has classified positive set $\mathcal{S}_+ := \{x_i^+ : i = 1, \dots, N_+\}$ from negative set $\mathcal{S}_- := \{x_j^- : j = 1, \dots, N_-\}$. Then, the associated AUC can be obtained by “WMW” result

$$F_{AUC}(w) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \sum_{j=1}^{N_-} \mathbb{I}_w[w^T x_i^+ > w^T x_j^-]}{N_+ \cdot N_-}.$$

where

$$\mathbb{I}_w[w^T x_i > w^T x_j] = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{if } w^T x_i^+ > w^T x_j^-, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Probabilistic Interpretation of AUC

- We can measure the ranking quality of the classifier $f(x)$ through a **probability value**.

$$F_{AUC}(w) = P(w^T X_+ > w^T X_-).$$

where X_+ and X_- are randomly sampled from $\mathcal{S}_+$ and $\mathcal{S}_-$.

- If two sets $\mathcal{S}_+$ and $\mathcal{S}_-$ are randomly drawn from distributions $\mathcal{D}_1$ and $\mathcal{D}_2$, then

$$E(F_{AUC}(w)) = P(w^T \hat{X}_+ > w^T \hat{X}_-), \quad (1)$$

where $\hat{X}_+$ and $\hat{X}_-$ are randomly chosen from distributions $\mathcal{D}_1$ and $\mathcal{D}_2$, respectively.

Ranking Loss

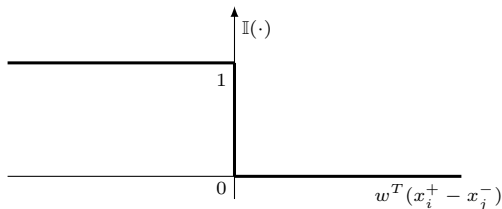
maximizing AUC function $F_{AUC}(w)$ is equivalent to minimizing *ranking loss* $1 - F_{AUC}(w)$

$$1 - F_{AUC}(w) = 1 + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \sum_{j=1}^{N_-} \mathbb{I}[w^T x_i^+ - w^T x_j^- \leq 0]}{N_+ \cdot N_-},$$

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as is shown below



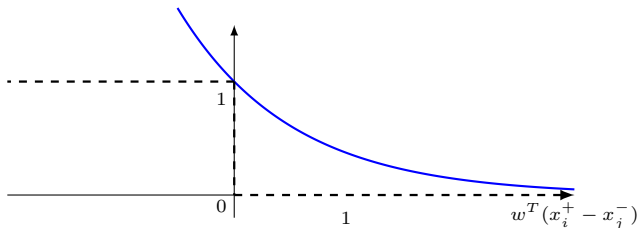
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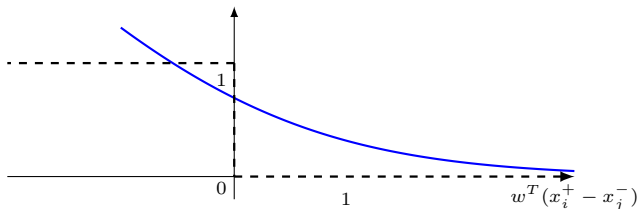
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- ▶ Exponential Loss:

$$\mathbb{I}_{exp}(w, x_i^+ - x_j^-) = e^{-w^T(x_i^+ - x_j^-)}$$



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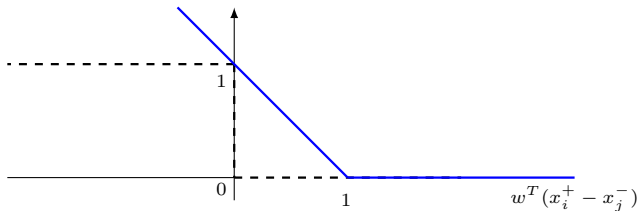


$$\mathbb{I}_{log}(w, x_i^+ - x_j^-) = \log(1 + e^{-w^T(x_i^+ - x_j^-)}),$$

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- ▶ Hinge Loss:

$$\mathbb{I}_{hinge}(w, x_i^+ - x_j^-) = \max\{0, 1 - w^T(x_i^+ - x_j^-)\}$$



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Algorithmic Framework of DFO-TR

Algorithm 1 Trust Region Based Derivative Free Optimization

0. Initializations.

- Define interpolation set $\mathcal{X}$ and compute corresponding function values $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}$.

1. Build the model.

- Build $Q_k(x)$ as a quadratic approximation of function f .

2. Minimize the model within the trust region.

- Find $\hat{x}_k$ such that $Q_k(\hat{x}_k) := \min_{x \in \mathcal{B}_k} Q_k(x)$, where $\mathcal{B}_k = \{x : \|x - x_k\| \leq \Delta_k\}$.
- Compute function $f(\hat{x}_k)$ and the ratio $\rho_k = \frac{f(x_k) - f(\hat{x}_k)}{Q_k(x_k) - Q_k(\hat{x}_k)}$.

3. Update the interpolation set.**4. Update the trust region radius.**

AUC, a Smooth Function of w in Expectation

Theorem 3

If two d -dimensional random vectors $\hat{X}_1$ and $\hat{X}_2$ have a joint multivariate normal distribution, such that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{X}_1 \\ \hat{X}_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma), \quad \text{where,} \quad \mu = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

then the marginal distributions of $\hat{X}_1$ and $\hat{X}_2$ are normal distributions with the following properties

$$\hat{X}_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_{11}), \quad \hat{X}_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \Sigma_{22}).$$

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Theorem 4

Consider two random vectors $\hat{X}_1$ and $\hat{X}_2$, then for any vector $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$, we have

$$Z = w^T(\hat{X}_1 - \hat{X}_2) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_Z, \sigma_Z^2),$$

where

$$\mu_Z = w^T(\mu_1 - \mu_2),$$

$$\sigma_Z^2 = w^T(\Sigma_{11} + \Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{12} - \Sigma_{21})w.$$

Theorem 5

If two random vectors $\hat{X}_1$ and $\hat{X}_2$, respectively from the positive and the negative classes, have a joint normal distribution, then the expected value of AUC function can be defined as

$$E(F_{AUC}(w)) = \phi\left(\frac{\mu_Z}{\sigma_Z}\right),$$

where ϕ is the cumulative function of the standard normal distribution, so that $\phi(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}/2\pi$, for $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$.

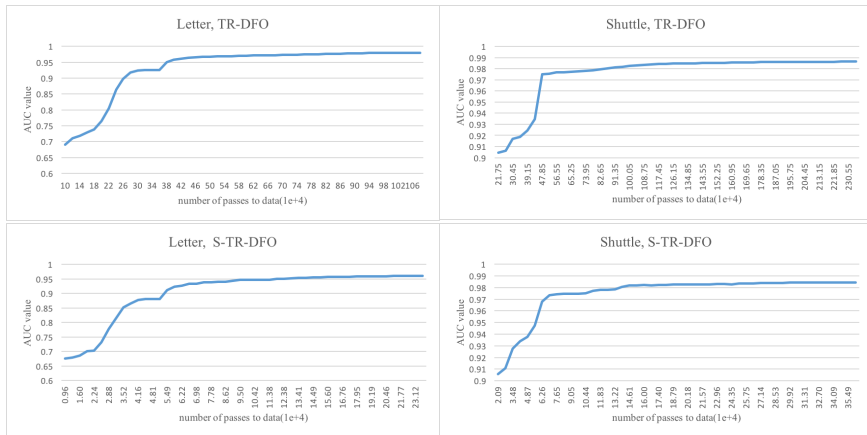
Computational Result (DFO-TR vs. Hinge)

- Performance of algorithms based on the average value of AUC and number of function evaluations,

Algorithm	sonar ($d = 60, N = 208$)		fourclass ($d = 2, N = 862$)	
	AUC	fevals	AUC	fevals
Hinge	0.849057 ± 0.003061	274	0.836226 ± 0.000923	480
DFO-TR	0.840323 ± 0.002453	254	0.836311 ± 0.000921	254
Algorithm	svmguide1 ($d = 4, N = 3089$)		magic04 ($d = 10, N = 4020$)	
	AUC	fevals	AUC	fevals
Hinge	0.989319 ± 0.000008	334	0.843085 ± 0.000208	417
DFO-TR	0.989132 ± 0.000007	254	0.843511 ± 0.000213	254
Algorithm	svmguide3 ($d = 22, N = 1243$)		shuttle ($d = 9, N = 3500$)	
	AUC	fevals	AUC	fevals
Hinge	0.793116 ± 0.001284	368	0.988625 ± 0.000021	266
DFO-TR	0.775246 ± 0.002083	254	0.987531 ± 0.000035	254
Algorithm	segment ($d = 19, N = 2310$)		ijcnn1 ($d = 22, N = 4691$)	
	AUC	fevals	AUC	fevals
Hinge	0.993134 ± 0.000023	753	0.930685 ± 0.000204	413
DFO-TR	0.99567 ± 0.00071	254	0.910897 ± 0.000264	254
Algorithm	letter ($d = 16, N = 5000$)		poker ($d = 10, N = 5010$)	
	AUC	fevals	AUC	fevals
Hinge	0.986699 ± 0.000037	517	0.519942 ± 0.001549	553
DFO-TR	0.985119 ± 0.000042	254	0.520517 ± 0.001618	254

Computational Result (Stochastic DFO-TR)

► Stochastic vs Deterministic DFO-TR



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GOAL ...

- Find the best value of costs C_+ and C_- and regularization parameter λ , to achieve a linear classifier $f(x) = w^T x + b$ with maximum value of AUC.

AUC as a Function of $\{C_+, C_-, \lambda\}$

- ▶ AUC is a function of w

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- ▶ $F_{AUC}(w)$ is a non-smooth function of the parameters $\{C_+, C_-, \lambda\}$.

w a Smooth Function of $\{C_+, C_-, \lambda\}$

Theorem 6

In the cost sensitive logistic regression, the vector w is a smooth function of non-zero parameters C_+ , C_- , and λ if matrix M and added matrix $M|v$ have the same rank (one special case which satisfies this condition is when the matrix M is a full rank matrix)

$$M = \sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \frac{\exp(y_i \cdot w^T x_i)}{(1 + \exp(y_i \cdot w^T x_i))^2} (x_i x_i^T),$$

$$v = \frac{1}{C_+} \sum_{i=1}^{N_+} \frac{y_i x_i}{1 + \exp(y_i \cdot w^T x_i)}.$$
(2)

Similar condition is required when M and v are constructed based on the negative class.

Computational Result

In this section we compare the following algorithms,

- **Cost-Sensitive Logistic Regression based on Class Distribution Ratio**
- **Cost-Sensitive Logistic Regression based on Optimized Ratio**

Algorithm	sonar	fourclass	svmguide1	magic04
CSLR-CDR	0.837656	0.835398	0.981900	0.841500
CSLR-OR	0.84183	0.835387	0.988035	0.843396
Algorithm	diabetes	german	a9a	svmguide3
CSLR-CDR	0.827639	0.788780	0.902774	0.774338
CSLR-OR	0.822690	0.784636	0.902868	0.797397
Algorithm	connect-4	shuttle	HAPT	segment
CSLR-CDR	0.899115	0.988924	0.999992	0.999791
CSLR-OR	0.898861	0.991161	0.999994	0.999841
Algorithm	mnist	ijcnn1	satimage	vowel
CSLR-CDR	0.994864	0.934975	0.761618	0.978475
CSLR-OR	0.995341	0.934986	0.760733	0.975405
Algorithm	poker	letter	w1a	w8a
CSLR-CDR	0.502508	0.987558	0.960954	0.960331
CSLR-OR	0.521330	0.988293	0.962368	0.961645

performance of algorithms based on average value of AUC

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Summary and Future Study

- ▶ The main challenge of optimizing AUC is in its non-smoothness and discontinuousness
- ▶ Directly Optimizing AUC function via trust region based derivative free optimization
- ▶ Tuning parameters of cost-sensitive logistic regression to obtain a classifier with maximum AUC value

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