

CS480/680: Introduction to Machine Learning

Lec 20: Model Interpretability

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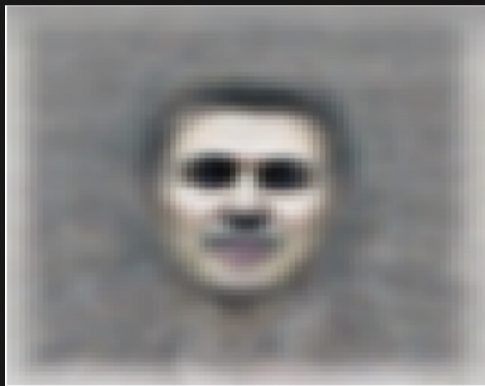
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Activation Maximization

- To understand a neuron activation, fix the network weights
- Enumerate test set or run (projected) grad ascent on input



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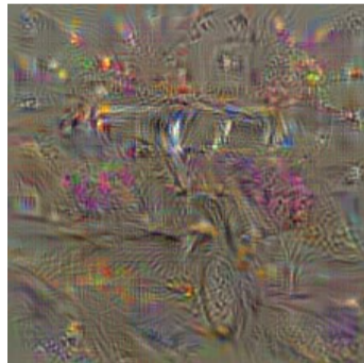
Gradient Saliency



goose



ostrich



limousine

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OR Example

$$y = x_1 \text{ or } x_2$$

- $n = 2$; consider $x_1 = x_2 = 1$
- Gradient methods do not work
 - fix x_1 , conclude that x_2 does not matter
 - fix x_2 , conclude that x_1 does not matter
 - conclude neither x_1 or x_2 matters ...
- $u(1) = u(2) = u(1, 2) = 1$ and 0 else
- **Banzhaf value:** $p_s \equiv \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \implies \phi_1 = \phi_2 = \frac{1}{2}$
- **Shapley value:** $p_s = \frac{s!(n-s-1)!}{n!} \implies \phi_1 = \phi_2 = \frac{1}{2}$



Coalition Game

- n is the number of “players”
- $u : 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ the “payoff” function
 - w.l.o.g. $u(\emptyset) = 0$, where \emptyset is the baseline
- Examples:
 - each feature is a player (**feature valuation**)
 - each training example is a player (**data valuation**)
 - each neuron is a player
 - performance metric (e.g. accuracy) is payoff
- **Valuation**: what is the value of each player i ?

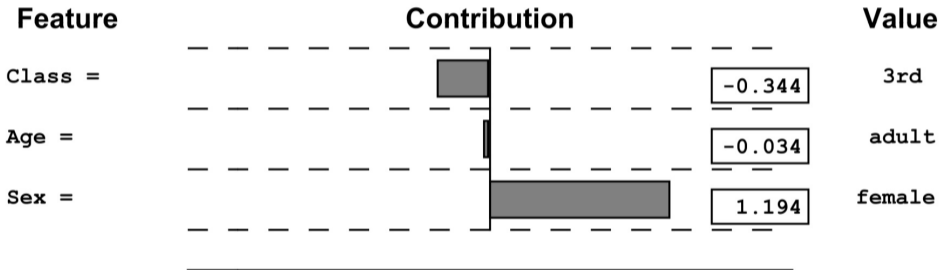
Data: titanic

naive Bayes Explanation

Model: NB

Prediction: $p(\text{survived} = \text{yes} | x) = 0.671$

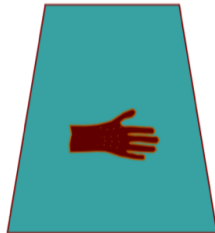
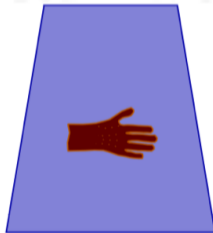
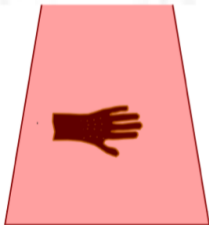
Actual class label for this instance: yes



Probabilistic Value

- Given a set function $u : 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, e.g., accuracy trained on subset of data
- Find an **additive** approximation $\phi : 2^{[n]} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where $\phi(S) = \sum_{i \in S} \phi(\{i\})$
- **Marginal contribution** of i : $u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S \setminus \{i\})$
- **Leave-one out**: $u([n]) - u([n] \setminus \{i\})$
- **(Symmetric) probabilistic value**: $\phi_i^p = \phi^p(\{i\}) = \sum_{S \ni i} p_s \cdot [u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S)]$

– from now on, $s = |S|$



$$\phi_i = \sum_{S \ni i} p_s \cdot [u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S)]$$

- $n = 3$
- $u(1, 2) = u(1, 3) = u(1, 2, 3) = 1$ and 0 else
- **Banzhaf value:** $p_s \equiv \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \implies \phi_1 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}, \phi_2 = \phi_3 = \frac{1}{4}$
- **Shapley value:** $p_s = \frac{s!(n-s-1)!}{n!} \implies \phi_1 = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3}, \phi_2 = \phi_3 = \frac{1}{6}$

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John Francis Banzhaf III



Lloyd Stowell Shapley, Nobel Prize (2012)

One Man, One Vote?

State Name (1)	Population 1960 Census	Electoral Vote 1964	Relative Voting Power (%)	Percent Excess Voting Power (3)	Percent Deviation From Average Voting Power (4)
Alabama	3266740.	10	1.632	63.2	-3.0
Alaska	226167.	3	1.838	83.8	9.2
Arizona	1302161.	5	1.281	28.1	-23.9
Arkansas	1786272.	6	1.315	31.5	-21.9
California	15717204.	40	3.162	216.2	87.9
Colorado	1753947.	6	1.327	32.7	-21.1
Connecticut	2535234.	8	1.477	47.7	-12.2
Delaware	446292.	3	1.308	30.8	-22.3
Dist. of Columbia	763956.	3	1.000	.0	-40.6
Florida	4951560.	14	1.870	87.0	11.1
Georgia	3943116.	12	1.789	78.9	6.3
Hawaii	632772.	4	1.468	46.8	-12.8
Idaho	667191.	4	1.429	42.9	-15.1
Illinois	10081158.	26	2.491	149.1	48.0
Indiana	4662498.	13	1.786	78.6	6.1
Iowa	2757537.	9	1.596	59.6	-5.2
Kansas	2178611.	7	1.392	39.2	-17.3
Kentucky	3038156.	9	1.521	52.1	-9.6
Louisiana	3257022.	10	1.635	63.5	-2.9
Maine	969265.	4	1.186	18.6	-29.5
Maryland	3100689.	10	1.675	67.5	-4
Massachusetts	5148578.	14	1.834	83.4	9.0
Michigan	7823194.	21	2.262	126.2	34.4
Minnesota	3413864.	10	1.597	59.7	-5.1

Mississippi	2178141.	7	1.392	39.2	-17.3
Missouri	4319813.	12	1.710	71.0	1.6
Montana	674767.	4	1.421	42.1	-15.5
Nebraska	1411330.	5	1.231	23.1	-26.9
Nevada	285278.	3	1.636	63.6	-2.8
New Hampshire	606921.	4	1.499	49.9	-10.9
New Jersey	6066782.	17	2.063	106.3	22.6
New Mexico	951023.	4	1.197	19.7	-28.9
New York	16782304.	43	3.312	231.2	96.8
North Carolina	4556155.	13	1.807	80.7	7.4
North Dakota	632446.	4	1.468	46.8	-12.8
Ohio	9706397.	26	2.539	153.9	50.9
Oklahoma	2328284.	8	1.541	54.1	-8.4
Oregon	1768687.	6	1.321	32.1	-21.5
Pennsylvania	11319366.	29	2.638	163.8	56.8
Rhode Island	859488.	4	1.259	25.9	-25.2
South Carolina	2382594.	8	1.524	52.4	-9.5
South Dakota	680514.	4	1.415	41.5	-15.9
Tennessee	3567089.	11	1.721	72.1	2.3
Texas	9579677.	25	2.452	145.2	45.7
Utah	890627.	4	1.237	23.7	-26.5
Vermont	389881.	3	1.400	40.0	-16.8
Virginia	3966949.	12	1.784	78.4	6.0
Washington	2853214.	9	1.569	56.9	-6.8
West Virginia	1860421.	7	1.506	50.6	-10.5
Wisconsin	3951777.	12	1.788	78.8	6.2
Wyoming	330066.	3	1.521	52.1	-9.6

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Random Order Value

- Let π be a permutation of $[n] := \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- Suppose $i = \pi(k)$ and define

$$\psi_i(u, \pi) = u[\underbrace{\pi(1), \dots, \pi(k)}_{\text{when } i \text{ joins}}] - u[\underbrace{\pi(1), \dots, \pi(k-1)}_{\text{before } i \text{ joins}}]$$

- Randomize over permutations: $\phi_i(u) = \mathbb{E}_\pi \psi_i(u, \pi)$
- What happens if we sum all values?

$$\sum_i \phi_i(u) = ?$$

Shapley's Axioms

- **Linear:** $\phi_i(u + v) = \phi_i(u) + \phi_i(v)$
- **Symmetry:** if $u(S \cup i) = u(S \cup j)$ for all S with $i, j \notin S$, then $\phi_i = \phi_j$
- **Null:** if $u(S \cup i) = u(S)$ for all S with $i \notin S$, then $\phi_i = 0$
- **Efficient:** $\sum_i \phi_i = u([n])$

$$\phi_i(u) = \sum_{S \not\ni i} \frac{s!(n-s-1)!}{n!} \cdot [u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S)], \quad \pi \sim \text{Uniform}$$

How to Estimate Probabilistic Value?

$$\phi_i^p = \phi^p(\{i\}) = \sum_{S \not\ni i} p_s \cdot [u(S \cup i) - u(S)]$$

Algorithm 1: Monte Carlo estimation of probabilistic value

Input: utility u , probability p

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1 for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  do
2    $\varphi_i \leftarrow 0$ 
3   for  $k = 1, \dots, m$  do
4     sample a random subset  $S \not\ni i$  with probability  $\propto \binom{n-1}{s} p_s$ 
5      $\varphi_i \leftarrow \varphi_i + [u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S)]$  // 2 evals of utility
6    $\hat{\phi}_i \leftarrow \varphi_i / m$ 
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- Suppose w.l.o.g. utility $u \in [0, 1]$
- $\hat{\phi}_i$ is an average over m i.i.d. samples
- From **Hoeffding's inequality**: $\Pr[|\hat{\phi}_i - \phi_i| \geq \epsilon] \leq 2 \exp(-m\epsilon^2/2)$
- To achieve $\|\hat{\phi} - \phi\|_\infty \leq \epsilon$ with probability $1 - \delta$, need $O(\frac{n}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{n}{\delta})$ samples
- Maximum sample reuse for the Banzhaf value: $O(\frac{n}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{n}{\delta})$ for ℓ_2 norm

$$- \|\hat{\phi} - \phi\|_2 \leq \epsilon \text{ vs. } \|\hat{\phi} - \phi\|_\infty \leq \epsilon/\sqrt{n}$$

Least-square Value

$$\min_{\phi \in \mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{S \subseteq [n]} q_s \cdot [u(S) - \phi(S)]^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad u([n]) = \sum_i \phi_i$$

- Take $q_s = p_s + p_{s-1}$ recovers (efficient normalization of) probabilistic value
 - $\sum_{S \not\ni i} p_s [u(S \cup \{i\}) - u(S)] = \sum_{S \ni i} p_{s-1} u(S) - \sum_{S \not\ni i} p_s u(S) = \sum_{S \ni i} [p_{s-1} + p_s] u(S) - \sum_S p_s u(S)$
 - Shapley value corresponds to $q_s = \frac{(s-1)!(n-1-s)!}{(n-1)!} \equiv \frac{1}{\binom{n-2}{s-1}}$
- Can approximate with $O\left(\frac{n}{\epsilon^2} \log \frac{n}{\delta}\right)$ samples

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Shapley value \subseteq Random order value \subseteq Probabilistic value \subseteq Least-square value

