

Exercise 7

Classification and Discriminant Analysis

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1. Load the data `SAheart` from the package `ElemStatLearn`. The data contain information about males in a heart-disease high-risk region in South Africa (see help). The goal is to apply logistic regression with natural cubic splines to split the data into groups according to the variable `chd` (coronary heart disease). Do not use the variable `famhist` in the exercise.

General Additive Models: function `gam(..., family="binomial")` from the `library(mgcv)`

- (a) Randomly select a training data set of 300 observations and apply logistic regression with smoothing splines. Which variables are significant? Calculate the misclassification rate for an independent test set.
 - (b) Plot the variables against their estimated values. You can simply use:
`plot(gam.object, page=1, shade=TRUE, shade.col="yellow")`
How could we interpret this plot?
2. For the following exercise use the data from <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Bank+Marketing>, that are available on the website with homework. Load the smaller data set using `d <- read.csv2("bank.csv")`. The data contain information about direct marketing campaigns (phone calls) of a Portuguese banking institution. The classification goal is to predict if the client will subscribe a term deposit or not. This information is represented by the binary variable `y` (last one).

Classification trees: function `rpart()` from the `library(mvpart)`

- (a) Set randomly a training set of a reasonable size and apply a tree T_0 (see `help(rpart)` or lecture notes).
- (b) Visualize the tree with the function `plot()` and `text()`, and interpret the results.
- (c) Predict the group membership for the test set (see `help(predict.rpart)` or lecture notes) How high is the resulting misclassification rate?
- (d) Show and interpret results of cross-validation obtained by using `printcp()` and `plotcp()`. What is the optimal complexity?
- (e) Prune the tree T_0 of the optimal complexity using `prune()`. Visualize und interpret the results.
- (f) Predict the group membership for the test set and calculate the resulting misclassification rate. Do we observe any improvement?

Please, send your R scripts with the solution as a text file saved as "Surname7.R", via email to

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