

Submodularity in Data Subset Selection and Active Learning

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Introduction

Select a subset of big data to train a classifier while incurring minimal performance loss.

We show the connection of submodularity to the data likelihood functions for Naive Bayes (NB) and Nearest Neighbor (NN) classifiers, and formulate the data subset selection problems for these classifiers as constrained submodular maximization.

Naive Bayes Classifier

$$p(C_k|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(C_k)p(\mathbf{x}|C_k)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

$$\bar{y} = \underset{k \in \{1, \dots, K\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} p(C_k) \prod_{i=1}^d p(x_i|C_k)$$

Naive Bayes Classifier

$$V = \{(x^i, y^i)\}_{i=1}^m \quad S \subseteq V$$

$$\theta_{x_j|y} = p(x_j|y) \text{ and } \theta_y = p(y)$$

$$\theta_{x_j|y}(S) = \frac{m_{x_j,y}(S)}{m_y(S)}, \theta_y(S) = \frac{m_y(S)}{|S|}$$

$$m_{x_j,y}(S) = \sum_{i \in S} 1\{x_j^i = x_j \wedge y^i = y\}$$

$$m_y(S) = \sum_{i \in S} 1\{y^i = y\}$$

Naive Bayes Classifier

data log-likelihood set function:

$$\ell^{\text{NB}}(S) = \sum_{i \in V} \log p(x^i, y^i; \theta(S))$$

Naive Bayes Classifier

$$\begin{aligned}\ell^{\text{NB}}(S) = & \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} m_{x_j, y}(V) \log(m_{x_j, y}(S))}_{\text{term 1: } f_{\text{NB}}(S)} \\ & - \underbrace{(d-1) \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} m_y(V) \log(m_y(S))}_{\text{term 2}} - \underbrace{|V| \log |S|}_{\text{term 3}}\end{aligned}$$

$|S \cap V^y| = k \frac{|V^y|}{|V|}$ \rightarrow term 2

$|S| = k$ \uparrow term 3

Naive Bayes Classifier

$$\max_{S \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M})} f_{\text{NB}}(S)$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}) = \{S \subseteq V : |S \cap V^y| = k \frac{|V^y|}{|V|}, \forall y \in \mathcal{Y}\}$$

Naive Bayes Classifier

Theorem 1. Let $D_{KL}(p(x, y; \theta(V)) || p(x, y; \theta(S))) \triangleq \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}^d} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} p(x, y; \theta(V)) \log \frac{p(x, y; \theta(V))}{p(x, y; \theta(S))}$ be the KL-divergence between $p(x, y; \theta(V))$ and $p(x, y; \theta(S))$, where $p(x, y; \theta(S))$ is the maximum likelihood estimate of the joint distribution given a data set S . Under the Naive Bayes assumption, Problem 1 is equivalent to

$$\min_{|S|=k} D_{KL}(p(x, y; \theta(V)) || p(x, y; \theta(S))).$$

Naive Bayes Classifier

$$\theta_{x_j|y}^{\alpha}(S) = \frac{m_{x_j,y}(S) + \alpha}{m_y(S) + \alpha|\mathcal{X}|} \quad \theta_y^{\alpha}(S) = \frac{m_y(S) + \alpha}{|S| + \alpha|\mathcal{Y}|}$$

$$V' = V \cup \{v'\}$$

$$m_{x_j,y}(v') = \alpha, \forall x_j \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \mathcal{Y}, j = 1, \dots, d$$

$$f'_{\text{NB}(\alpha)}(S) = \sum_{j=1}^d \sum_{x_j \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} m_{x_j,y}(V) \log(m_{x_j,y}(S))$$

$$f_{\text{NB}(\alpha)}(S) = f'_{\text{NB}(\alpha)}(S \cup \{v'\}) - f'_{\text{NB}(\alpha)}(\{v'\})$$

Nearest Neighbor Classification

$$\ell^{\text{NN}}(S) = \sum_{i \in V} (\log p(x^i | y^i; \theta(S)) + \log p(y^i; \theta(S)))$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x^i | y^i; \theta(S)) &= c e^{-\|x^i - x^j\|_2^2} = c e^{w(i,j) - d} \\ &= c' \exp(\max_{s \in S \cap V_{y^i}} w(i, s)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\log p(x^i | y^i; \theta(S)) = \log c' + \max_{s \in S \cap V_{y^i}} w(i, s)$$

Nearest Neighbor Classification

$$\begin{aligned} \ell^{\text{NN}}(S) = & \underbrace{\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \sum_{i \in V^y} \max_{s \in S \cap V^y} w(i, s)}_{\text{term 1: } f_{\text{NN}}} + \underbrace{\sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} m_y(V) \log m_y(S)}_{\text{term 2}} \\ & - \underbrace{|V| \log |S|}_{\text{term 3}} + \underbrace{C}_{\text{constant}}. \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm 1 Filtered Active Submodular Selection

- 1: **Input:** $\mathcal{U}, T, B, \{\beta_t\}_{t=1}^T$, Starting set of labels \mathcal{L}
 - 2: **for** $t = 1, \dots, T$ **do**
 - 3: Train the classifier using the labeled set \mathcal{L} , and derive the uncertainty scores δ^t ;
 - 4: $\mathcal{U}^t \in \operatorname{argmax}_{U \subseteq \mathcal{U} \setminus \mathcal{L}; |U| = \beta_t} \sum_{u \in U} \delta_u^t$;
 - 5: Obtain the most probable labels as the hypothesized labels $\{\hat{y}_u\}_{u \in \mathcal{U}^t}$.
 - 6: Instantiate $\hat{f}_t : 2^{\mathcal{U}^t} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ on $\{\hat{y}_u\}_{u \in \mathcal{U}^t}$ and \mathcal{U}^t ;
 - 7: Find $L^t \in \operatorname{argmax}_{|S|=B; S \subseteq \mathcal{U}^t} \hat{f}_t(S)$.
 - 8: $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} \cup L^t$.
 - 9: **end for**
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Experiment

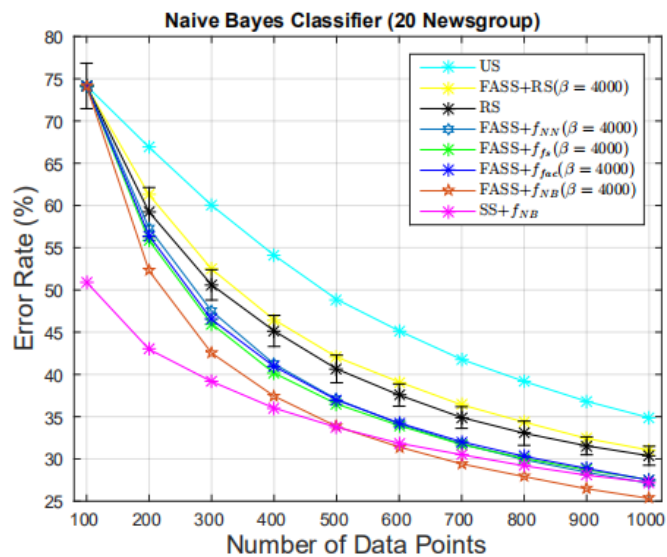


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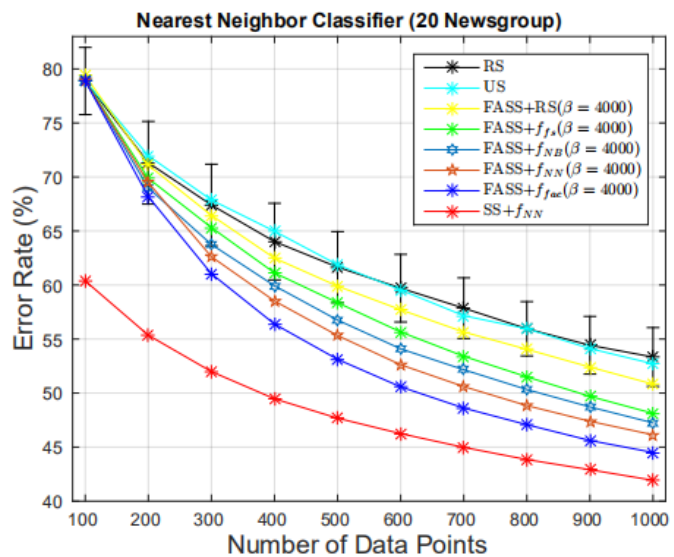


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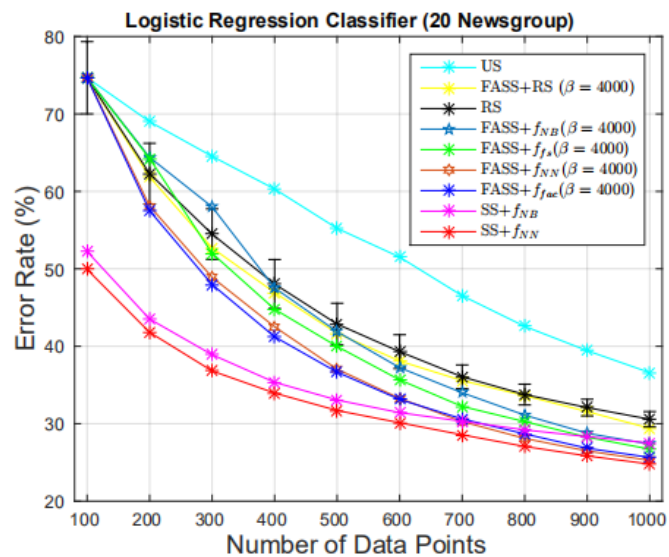


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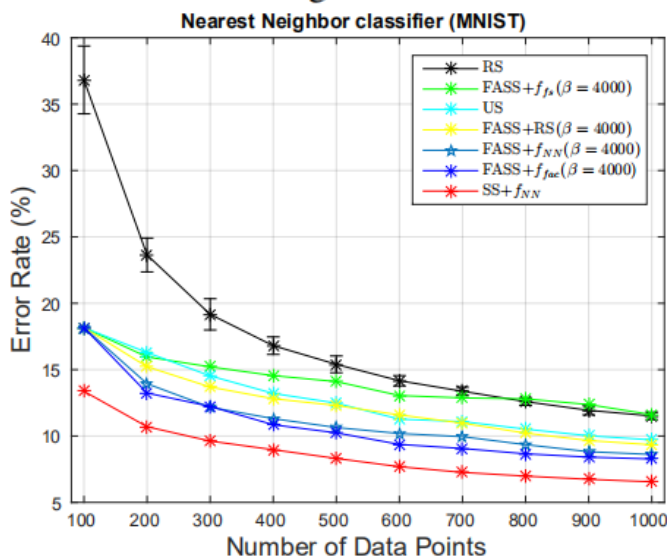


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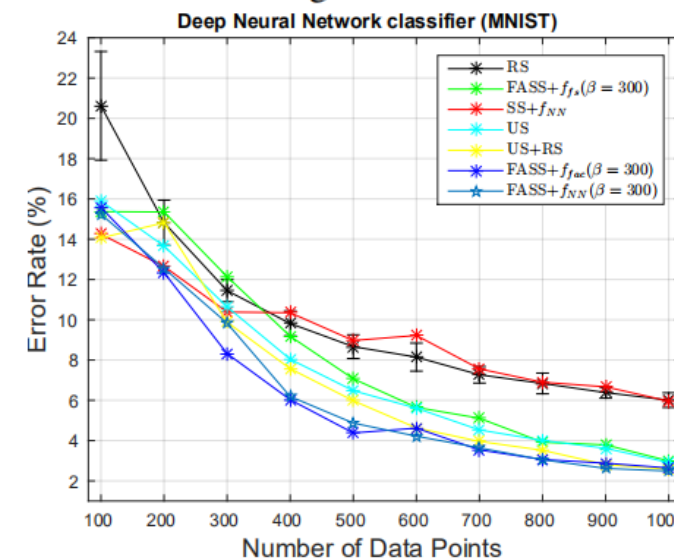


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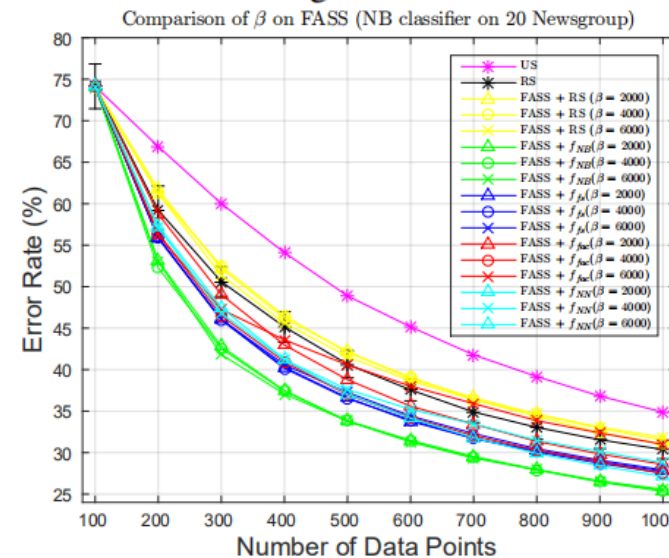


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