#### **K-Nearest Neighbors**

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- Wine Dataset
  - 13 Attributes
    - Alcohol, Malic Acid, Ash, Alcalinity of Ash, Magnesium, Total Phenols, Flavanoids, NonFlavanoid Phenols, Proanthocyanins, Color Intensity, Hue, OD280/D315 of Diluted Wines, Proline
  - Wide Range of Correlations
    - 2% in Ash to 83% in Flavanoids

Wine (continued)

- 3 Classes
  - Class 1, Class 2, Class 3 wine
- Attribute Weights
  - Nonflavanoid Phenols from 0.13 to 0.66
  - Proline from 290 to 1680

- Iris Dataset
  - 4 Attributes
    - Sepal Length, Sepal Width, Petal Length, Petal Width
  - Range of Correlations
    - Sepal Width of 42% to Petal Lenth of 95% and Petal Width of 96%
  - 3 Classes
    - Iris-Setosa, Versicolor, and Virginica
  - Attribute Weights
    - Petal Width from 0.1 to 2.5
    - Sepal Lentrh from 4.3 to 7.9

- Datasets include entities with similar attributes.
- Determining the class cannot be done easily or quickly.
- Descriptive Statistics is inefficient and cumbersome.

- Instance-based
- Used in classification and pattern recognition since the 1960s.
- Minor training phase.
- Customizable
  - Distance Method

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#### • K

- Fixed constant
- Determines number of elements to be included in each neighborhood.
  - Neighborhood determines classification
  - Different k values can and will produce different classifications

- 1 Nearest Neighbor
  - Point  $x_q$  classified as a "+"
- 5 Nearest Neighbors
  - Point  $x_q$  classified as a "\_"



• Euclidean Distance in n space.

$$d(x_i, x_j) \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{r=1}^n (a_r(x_i) - a_r(x_j))^2}$$

- $a_r(x) = r^{th}$  attribute of instance x
- $x_I$  and  $x_J$  represent two separate instances
- Distance = Square Root of the Sum of the Squares.

# Optimizing the Algorithm

- Correlation
  - Does low correlation mean irrelevant attributes?
- Missing values
  - Will missing values make the results erroneous?
- Normalization
  - Will normalization of the attributes make the results more accurate?
- Size

– How efficiently does the algorithm classify data?

- Iris Dataset
  - Non-normalized
    - All attributes
      - Misclassification rate = 6%
      - 94% Accuracy
        - » Setosa misclassified = 0/150 = 0%
        - » Versicolor misclassified = 0/150 = 0%
        - » Virginica misclassified = 9/150 = 6%

- Iris Dataset
  - Normalized
    - All attributes
      - Misclassification rate = 7.33%
      - 92.67% Accuracy
        - » Setosa misclassified = 0/150 = 0%
        - » Versicolor misclassified = 1/150 = 0.67%
        - » Virginica misclassified = 10/150 = 6.67%

- Iris Dataset
  - Non-normalized
    - Petal Length and Petal Width
      - Misclassification rate = 4.67%
      - 95.33% Accuracy
        - » Setosa misclassified = 0/150 = 0%
        - » Versicolor misclassified = 0/150 = 0%
        - » Virginica misclassified = 7/150 = 4.67%

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        - » Virginica misclassified = 11/150 = 7.33%

- Wine Dataset
  - Non-normalized
    - All attributes
      - Misclassification rate = 27.45%
      - 72.55% Accuracy
        - » Class 1 wine misclassified = 7/153 = 4.58%
        - » Class 2 wine misclassified = 23/153 = 15.08%
        - » Class 3 wine misclassified = 12/153 = 7.84%

- Wine Dataset
  - Normalized
    - All attributes
      - Misclassification rate = 5.88%
      - 94.12% Accuracy
        - » Class 1 wine misclassified = 0/153 = 0%
        - » Class 2 wine misclassified = 9/153 = 5.88%
        - » Class 3 wine misclassified = 0/153 = 0%

- Wine Dataset
  - Non-normalized
    - Phenols, Flavanoids, OD280/OD315
      - Misclassification rate = 20.92%
      - 79.08% Accuracy
        - » Class 1 wine misclassified = 1/153 = 0.65%
        - » Class 2 wine misclassified = 31/153 = 20.26%
        - » Class 3 wine misclassified = 0/153 = 0%

- Wine Dataset
  - Normalized
    - Phenols, Flavanoids, OD280/OD315
      - Misclassification rate = 20.92%
      - 79.08% Accuracy
        - » Class 1 wine misclassified = 2/153 = 1.31%
        - » Class 2 wine misclassified = 30/153 = 19.61%
        - » Class 3 wine misclassified = 0/153 = 0%

#### Issues

 Nearest neighbors include equal amount of neighbors from two classes.

– Classified into class with nearest neighbor.

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