

Uncertainty reasoning and machine learning

Uncertainty, Decision and Evaluation in Machine Learning

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Who is more reliable?

An example: Assume we travel to a small village

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Another example: Assume we travel to another village

- There are **3 pre-trained models** which can give suggestion on whether a patient suffers from at least one type of serious cancers.
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D's predictions	50 y	40 y/n + 10 n	400 n	400 n + 100 y
E's predictions	50 y	40 y/n + 10 n	400 n	450 n + 50 y/n

Go beyond the predictive performance?

It might be safer to defer our answer until we know more about

- how the **models** were learned and make their predictions
- how robust their predictions are (under the presence of noise)
- the decision-making process (cost, consequence, etc.)
- ...

Objectives

After this lecture students should be able to

- conceptually describe the Imprecise Dirichlet model (IDM) [1]
- use IDM in K-nn classifiers with fixed windows [8]
- evaluate classifiers based on IDM and related models [4, 10]

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- Inference from Multinomial Data
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- (Parzen) Window Classifiers
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Questions

- How to model and estimate θ_v ?
- How to do inference?
- How to handle small data?
- How to handle missing/partial data?

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Three approaches (discussed in this lecture):

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Some Inference Problems

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You would find such a problem in

- **Parzen window classifiers**
- (Credal) Decision trees, Naive Bayesian/credal Classifier (Lecture 4)
- Ensembles (Trees, Neural Nets, etc.)
- Bayesian Neural Nets

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- We can also use **posterior mode**

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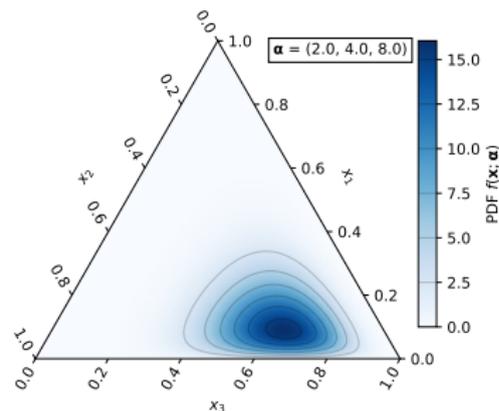
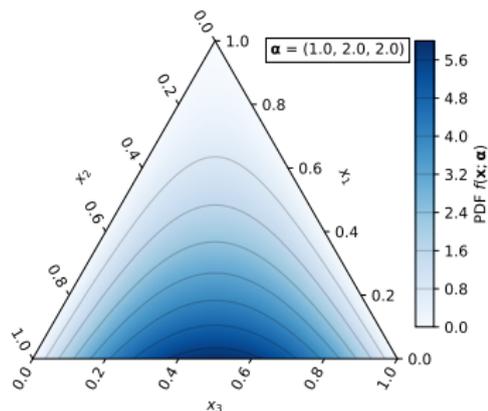
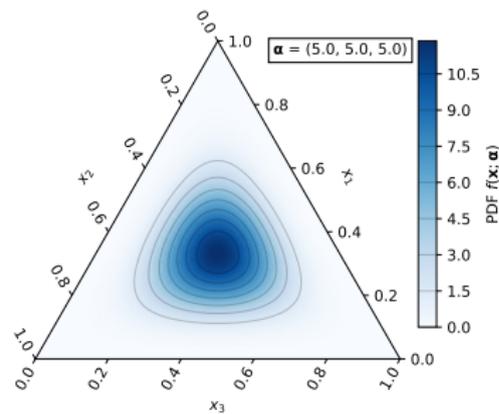
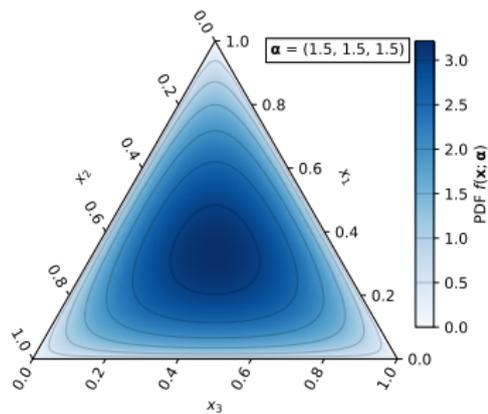
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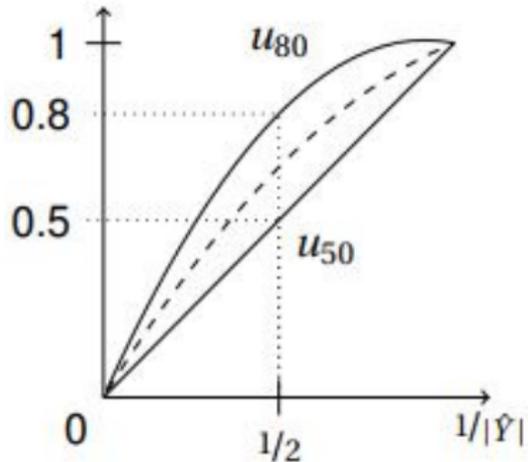
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Recap: Few commonly used **utility functions**:

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Exercise: The maximum value of α such that $g_\alpha(|Y|) \leq 1, \forall Y \subset \mathcal{Y} \setminus \emptyset$?

Coverage Error (See Lecture 4)

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