

Homework 4

36-705

Due: Thursday September 24 by 3pm

1. Recall that the Rademacher complexity for a class of functions is

$$R_n(\mathcal{F}) = \mathbb{E}_{\epsilon, X} \sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(X_i) \epsilon_i \right|.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ f : f(x) = \langle \beta, x \rangle, \|\beta\|_2 \leq B \right\}.$$

Suppose that each $X_i \sim N(0, I_d)$ (multivariate Normal). Now show that:

$$R_n(\mathcal{F}) \leq B \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}}.$$

Hint: From Jensen's inequality: $\mathbb{E}[X] \leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}[X^2]}$.

2. Suppose that we take a collection of sets \mathcal{A} , and a collection of sets \mathcal{B} , and define \mathcal{C} as:

$$\mathcal{C} = \{A \cup B : A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

Show that the shattering number:

$$s(\mathcal{C}, n) \leq s(\mathcal{A}, n) \times s(\mathcal{B}, n).$$

3. Suppose instead of taking the union of individual sets, we simply collected all sets to define:

$$\mathcal{C} = \{A : A \in \mathcal{A} \text{ or } A \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

Show that the shattering number:

$$s(\mathcal{C}, n) \leq s(\mathcal{A}, n) + s(\mathcal{B}, n).$$

4. Let p_θ be the density on \mathbb{R}^2 that is uniform on a disc of radius θ . Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim p_\theta$.

- (a) Write down the likelihood function.
- (b) Find a minimal sufficient statistic.
- (c) Show that X_1 is not a sufficient statistic.

5. Define a partition of \mathbb{R}^n as follows. Two vectors (x_1, \dots, x_n) and (y_1, \dots, y_n) are in the same element of the partition if and only if $L(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto L(\theta; y_1, \dots, y_n)$. Show that this defines a minimal sufficient partition.