Text S1: AODE detailed description

AODE (Averaged One-Dependence Estimators) [1] is a machine learning classifier.

This algorithm improves Naïve Bayes (NB) model [2] relaxing the attribute independence assumption of NB, where each attribute can depend on the class. The Naïve Bayes algorithm is based on conditional probabilities defined in Eq. 1, where $y \in c_1, ..., c_k$ are the k classes of an example $x = \langle x_1, ..., x_n \rangle$, where x_i is the value of the *i*th attribute.

$$P(y|x) = P(y, x)/P(x)$$
 (Eq. 1)

Hence, the value class for an example is calculated according Eq. 2, it means the highest conditional probabilities accumulation of each attribute respect to class attribute.

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}}\left(\hat{P}(y)\prod_{i=1}^{n}\hat{P}(x_{i}|y)\right)$$
(Eq. 2)

where $\hat{P}(y)$ and $P(x_i|y)$ are estimates of the respective probabilities derived from the frequency of their respective arguments in the training sample. At training time NB just needs to compile a table of class probability estimates and a table of conditional attribute-value probability estimates, from the training set [1].

AODE improves independence assumptions, without increasing computational complexity. Naïve Bayes approaches, such as Lazy Bayes Rules [3] are very costly in classification time, while other approaches like TAN [4] require higher training times. AODE achieves lower computational cost by replacing model selection with model average. Classes are calculated by aggregating predictions from an ensemble of one-dependence classifiers by aggregating the predictions of all qualified classifiers, as Eq. 3 shows.

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}}\left(\sum_{i:1\leq i\leq n\wedge F(x_i)\geq m}\hat{P}(y,x_i)\prod_{j=1}^n\hat{P}(x_j|y,x_i)\right)$$
(Eq. 3)

If $\neg \exists i : 1 \le i \le n \land F(x_i) \ge m$, AODE defaults to NB. $F(x_i)$ is a count of the number of training examples having x_i value-attribute.

In this experiment we used the weka's AODE implementation [5].

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