

Proof of:

THEOREM 12.2. Given some $D \geq 1$, suppose that $\mathcal{F}$ is (N, D) -rich for all $N \geq 4D$. Then

$$(12.9) \quad R_n(h, \mathcal{F}) \geq c(1-h) \frac{D}{nh} \left[1 + \log \frac{nh^2}{D} \right]$$

for any $\sqrt{D/n} \leq h < 1$, where $c > 0$ is some absolute constant.

($c = 1/72$ suffices)

Proof There exists $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_N$ so that
for any $b = \{0, 1\}_D^N$ there exists $f_b \in \mathcal{F}$
so $b = (f(\bar{x}_1), f(\bar{x}_2), \dots, f(\bar{x}_N))$.

(There are $\binom{N}{b}$ such b 's)

$$\hat{f}_n: \mathcal{Z}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\} \quad \mathcal{Z}^n = ((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n))$$

$\underline{P}_b$: distⁿ on $X \times \{0, 1\}$ such that if
 (X, Y) has distⁿ $\underline{P}_b$ then

X is uniformly distributed over $\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_N$

Given $X = \bar{x}_r$, $Y = \begin{cases} b_r & \text{w/p } \frac{1+h}{2} \\ 1-b_r & \text{w/p } \frac{1-h}{2} \end{cases}$

Note $\underline{P}_b \in \mathcal{P}(h)$ for all b

so

$$L_b(f) = \frac{1-h}{2} + \frac{h}{N} \sum_{v=1}^N 1_{\{f(\bar{x}_v) \neq b_v\}}$$

general loss for classifier f under P_b

$L_b^* = L_b(f_b)$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} f_b \text{ is optimal if } P_b \text{ is the true measure} \end{array} \right)$

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}(h)} E^n[L(\hat{f}_n)] - L^* &\geq \max_{P_b: b \in \{0,1\}_D^N} E_b^n[L_b(\hat{f}_n)] - L_b^* \geq \\ &= \max_b h \frac{1}{N} \sum_{v=1}^N P_b^n \{ \hat{f}_n(\bar{x}_v) \neq b_v \} \\ &\geq \underline{h\varepsilon} \text{ where } \varepsilon = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{v=1}^N \bar{P}^n \{ \hat{f}_n(\bar{x}_v) \neq B_v \} \end{aligned}$$

$\bar{P}^n$ - joint distⁿ of $B, Z^n = ((x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N))$

such that B is uniform over $\{0,1\}_D^N$

and given $B=b$, the conditional distⁿ of Z^n is P_b^n .

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} B = (B_1, \dots, B_N) \\ \text{(base labels for } \bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_N) \end{array} \right) \longrightarrow (X^n, Y^n) \longrightarrow \boxed{A} \longrightarrow \hat{f}$$

$$\hat{B} = (\hat{f}(\bar{x}_1), \dots, \hat{f}(\bar{x}_N))$$

$$B \rightarrow x^n \rightarrow \boxed{A} \rightarrow \hat{f} \rightarrow \hat{B}$$

Lower bound on $I(B; \hat{B})$ (required to get error probability ϵ)

$$\begin{aligned} I(B; \hat{B}) &= H(B) - H(B|\hat{B}) \\ &= \log \binom{N}{D} - H(\underbrace{B \oplus \hat{B}}_{\text{indicates error locations}} | \hat{B}) \\ &\geq \log \binom{N}{D} - H(B \oplus \hat{B}) \quad \frac{1}{N} \sum_v P((B \oplus \hat{B})_v = 1) = \epsilon \leq \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{I(B; \hat{B}) \geq D \log \frac{N}{D} - N h(\epsilon)} \quad \therefore H(\quad) \leq N h(\epsilon)$$

$$\binom{N}{D} = \frac{N}{D} \frac{N-1}{D-1} \dots \frac{N-D+1}{1} \geq \left(\frac{N}{D}\right)^D$$



Upper bound on $I(B; \hat{B})$

$$I(B; \hat{B}) \leq I(B; (X^n, Y^n))$$

$$= \underline{I(B; X^n)} + I(B; Y^n | X^n)$$

$$= I(B; Y^n | X^n)$$

$$\leq I(B; Y^n | X^n) + I(X^n; Y^n)$$

$$= I((X^n, B); Y^n)$$

where samples are taken is independent of B

coordinates of Y^n are conditionally independent given X^n, B .

Suppose $(X^n, B) = (x^n, b)$

What's conditional distⁿ of Y_i .

If $x_i = \bar{x}_v$ the $Y_i = b_v$ w/p $\frac{1+b}{2}$
 $1-b_v$ w/p $\frac{1-b}{2}$

$$\underline{I(B; \hat{B})} \leq I((x^n, B); Y^n) \quad \text{dist}^k \text{ on } Y^n$$

$$\leq D(P_{Y^n | x^n, B} \| Q \| P_{x^n, B})$$

$$\leq \underline{\frac{nD}{N} \left[\frac{2h^2}{1-h} \right]}$$

Let Q be product distⁿ such that under Q , $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ are iid $\text{Be}(\frac{1-h}{2})$

$$D(P_{Y^n | x^n, b} \| Q) \leq \frac{2mh^2}{1-h} \quad m = \# \text{ of samples such that label is noisy version of } 1$$

For $1 \leq i \leq n$ - there are two cases for each i .

Case 1 $b_v = 0$ where v is such that $x_i = \bar{x}_v$

$$\text{Then } Y_i \sim \text{Be}(\frac{1-h}{2}) \quad D(\text{dist}_{Y_i}^* \| \text{Be}(\frac{1-h}{2})) = 0$$

Case 2 $b_v = 1$ where v is $1, \dots$

$$\text{Then } Y_i \sim \text{Be}(\frac{1+h}{2}) \quad D(\text{dist}_{Y_i}^* \| \text{Be}(\frac{1-h}{2}))$$

$$= D(\text{Be}(\frac{1+h}{2}) \| \text{Be}(\frac{1-h}{2}))$$

$$= \frac{1+h}{2} \ln \frac{\frac{1+h}{2}}{\frac{1-h}{2}} - \frac{1-h}{2} \ln \frac{\frac{1+h}{2}}{\frac{1-h}{2}}$$

$$= h \ln \frac{1+h}{1-h} \approx h \left[\frac{1+h}{1-h} - 1 \right]$$

$$= h \left[\frac{2h}{1-h} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2h^2}{1-h}$$



Combining upper + lower bounds on
 $\mathbb{E}(B; \hat{B})$

$$D \log \frac{N}{D} - N h(\epsilon) \leq \frac{2}{1-h} \left(\frac{nD}{N} \right) h^2$$

($R_N \geq n h(\epsilon)$)

$$h(\epsilon) \geq \frac{D}{N} \log \frac{N}{D} - \frac{nD}{N^2} \left(\frac{2h^2}{1-h} \right)$$

select N to make
 this term $\frac{1}{2}$
 the first term

$$h(\epsilon) \geq \frac{D}{2N} \ln \frac{N}{D}$$

$$N = \left\lceil \frac{9nh^2}{(1-h)(1+\log \frac{nh^2}{D})} \right\rceil$$

$$\therefore \epsilon \geq \frac{D}{8N}$$

$$R \geq h_2 \geq \frac{hD}{8N} \geq \frac{(1-h)(1+\log(\frac{nh^2}{D}))}{72nh^2}$$