

Supplemental Material for “Online and Non-parametric Drift Detection Methods Based on Hoeffding’s Bounds”

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APPENDIX A PROOFS

A.1 Proof of Corollary 3

Let us first consider the probabilistic bound for the type I error (probability of false detection). If $E[\bar{X}] \leq E[\bar{Y}]$ (or equivalently $E[\bar{X}] - E[\bar{Y}] \leq 0$), by inclusion (i.e. if $A \Rightarrow B$ then $\Pr(A) \leq \Pr(B)$) we have ($D = \bar{X} - \bar{Y}$ and $E_D = E[\bar{X}] - E[\bar{Y}]$)

$$\Pr\{D \geq \varepsilon_\alpha\} \leq \Pr\{D - E_D \geq \varepsilon_\alpha\} \quad (11)$$

Applying inversion on equation (1):

$$\Pr\{D - E_D \geq \varepsilon_\alpha\} \leq \alpha \quad (12)$$

Applying transitivity on equations (??) and (??), we obtain $\Pr\{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \geq \varepsilon_\alpha\} \leq \alpha$ as desired.

Consider now the bound for the type II error (probability of non-detection). If $E[\bar{X}] \geq E[\bar{Y}] + \varsigma$ then for $\varsigma > \varepsilon_\alpha$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\{D < \varepsilon_\alpha\} &= \Pr\{D - \varsigma < \varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma\} \\ &\leq \Pr\{D - E_D < \varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma\} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Since for $\varepsilon > 0$, $\Pr\{D - E_D > \varepsilon\} = \Pr\{D - E_D < -\varepsilon\}$; as $\varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma < 0$, from equation (1):

$$\Pr\{D - E_D < \varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma\} \leq e^{\frac{-2(\varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma)^2}{(n^{-1} + m^{-1})(b-a)^2}} \quad (14)$$

Finally, again for transitivity on equations (??) and (??), we have

$$\Pr\{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} < \varepsilon_\alpha\} \leq e^{\frac{-2(\varepsilon_\alpha - \varsigma)^2}{(n^{-1} + m^{-1})(b-a)^2}}$$

A.2 Proof of Corollary 5

Let $\vec{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m)$ and let $f(\vec{X}) = \hat{X}_n - \hat{Y}_m$. Then, if \hat{X}_n and \hat{Y}_m satisfy the independent bounded differences condition on Theorem 4, it is easy to prove that for $f(\vec{X})$ the independent bounded differences condition is satisfied taking $d_i = (b - a)v_i$

for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, and $d_j = (b - a)v'_j$ for all $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$. So

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+m} d_i^2 = (b - a)^2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n (v_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m (v'_i)^2 \right] = \mathcal{D}_{n,m}.$$

Finally, taking all together we obtain the desired bound from equation (3).

A.3 Proof of Example 7

At n random variables, the weights of the EWMA statistic take the form $v_1 = (1 - \lambda)^{n-1}$, and $v_i = \lambda(1 - \lambda)^{n-i}$ for $1 < i \leq n$ (note that $\sum_{i=1}^n v_i = 1$). Then for $n > 1$ ($\mathcal{D}_1 = 1$) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 = (b - a)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2 \\ &= (b - a)^2 \left[\sum_{i=2}^n \lambda^2 (1 - \lambda)^{2(n-i)} + (1 - \lambda)^{2(n-1)} \right] \\ &= (b - a)^2 \left[\lambda^2 \frac{1 - (1 - \lambda)^{2(n-1)}}{1 - (1 - \lambda)^2} + (1 - \lambda)^{2(n-1)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

When $n \rightarrow \infty$, \mathcal{D}_n converge to a constant value as $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{D}_n = (b - a)^2 \lambda / (2 - \lambda)$. Since $\sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 = \mathcal{D}_n$, $f(\vec{X}) = \hat{X}_n$ and $E[f(\vec{X})] = E[\hat{X}_n]$; from equation (3) we obtain the desired bound.

A.4 Proof of Example 8

This time, the independent bounded differences condition is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n d_i^2 = \left(\frac{b - a}{\mathcal{W}_n} \right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \beta^{2(n-i)} \\ &= (b - a)^2 \left(\frac{1 - \beta}{1 - \beta^n} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1 - \beta^{2n}}{1 - \beta^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

As $0 < \beta \leq 1$, \mathcal{D}_n converge to $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{D}_n = (b - a)^2 (1 - \beta) / (1 + \beta)$. As above, from equation (3) we can obtain the desired bound.