Evaluation metrics and proper scoring rules

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Expected/Maximum calibration error

- As seen in the previous Section, each notion of calibration is related to a reliability diagram
 - This can be used to visualise miscalibration on binned scores
- ▶ We will now see how these bins can be used to measure miscalibration



Toy example

• We start by introducing a toy example:

\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	У			\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	У			\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	у
1.0	0.0	0.0	1		11	0.8	0.2	0.0	2		21	0.8	0.2	0.0	3
0.9	0.1	0.0	1		12	0.7	0.0	0.3	2		22	0.8	0.1	0.1	3
0.8	0.1	0.1	1		13	0.5	0.2	0.3	2		23	0.8	0.0	0.2	3
0.7	0.1	0.2	1		14	0.4	0.4	0.2	2		24	0.6	0.0	0.4	3
0.6	0.3	0.1	1		15	0.4	0.2	0.4	2		25	0.3	0.0	0.7	3
0.4	0.1	0.5	1		16	0.3	0.4	0.3	2		26	0.2	0.6	0.2	3
1/3	1/3	1/3	1		17	0.2	0.3	0.5	2		27	0.2	0.4	0.4	3
1/3	1/3	1/3	1		18	0.1	0.6	0.3	2		28	0.0	0.4	0.6	3
0.2	0.4	0.4	1		19	0.1	0.3	0.6	2		29	0.0	0.3	0.7	3
0.1	0.5	0.4	1		20	0.0	0.2	0.8	2		30	0.0	0.3	0.7	3
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Binary-ECE

We define the expected binary calibration error binary-ECE (Naeini et al., 2015) as the average gap across all bins in a reliability diagram, weighted by the number of instances in each bin:

binary-ECE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_i|}{N} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|,$$

▶ Where *M* and *N* are the numbers of bins and instances, respectively, B_i is the *i*-th probability bin, $|B_i|$ denotes the size of the bin, and $\bar{p}(B_i)$ and $\bar{y}(B_i)$ denote the average predicted probability and the proportion of positives in bin B_i



Binary-MCE

We can similarly define the maximum binary calibration error binary-MCE as the maximum gap across all bins in a reliability diagram:

binary-MCE =
$$\max_{i \in \{1,\dots,M\}} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|.$$



Binary-ECE using our example

Let us pretend our example is binary by taking class 1 as positive

	\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_0	у
1	1.0	0.0	1
2	0.9	0.1	1
3	0.8	0.2	1
4	0.7	0.3	1
5	0.6	0.4	1
6	0.4	0.6	1
7	1/3	2/3	1
8	1/3	2/3	1
9	0.2	0.8	1
10	0.1	0.9	1



Binary-ECE using our example

- We now separate class 1 probabilities and their corresponding instance labels into 5 bins: [0, 0.2], (0.2, 0.4], (0.4, 0.6], (0.6, 0.8], (0.8, 1.0]
- Then, we calculate the average probability and the frequency of positives at each bin

Bi	$ B_i $		$\bar{p}(B_i)$		$\bar{y}(B_i)$
B_1	11	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2,	1.1/11	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1	2/11
B_2	7	0.3, 0.3, 1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4	2.5/7	0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1	3/7
B_3	3	0.5, 0.6, 0.6	1.7/3	0, 0, 1	1/3
B_4	7	0.7, 0.7, 0.8, 0.8, 0.8, 0.8, 0.8	5.4/7	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1	2/7
B_5	2	0.9, 1.0	1.9/2	1, 1	2/2



These same bins can be used to build a reliability diagram





Finally, we calculate the binary-ECE

B_i	$\bar{p}(B_i)$	$\bar{y}(B_i)$	$ B_i $
B_1	0.10	0.18	11
B_2	0.35	0.43	7
B_3	0.57	0.33	3
B_4	0.77	0.29	7
B_5	0.95	1.00	2

binary-ECE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_i|}{N} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|$$

binary-ECE =
$$\frac{11 \cdot 0.08 + 7 \cdot 0.08 + 3 \cdot 0.24 + 7 \cdot 0.48 + 2 \cdot 0.05}{30}$$

binary-ECE = 0.1873



Binary-MCE

For the binary-MCE, we take the maximum gap between $\bar{p}(B_i)$ and $\bar{y}(B_i)$:

Bi	$\bar{p}(B_i)$	$\bar{y}(B_i)$	$ B_i $
B_1	0.10	0.18	11
B_2	0.35	0.43	7
B_3	0.57	0.33	3
B_4	0.77	0.29	7
B_5	0.95	1.00	2

binary-MCE = $\max_{i \in \{1,...,M\}} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|$ binary-MCE = 0.48



Confidence-ECE

- Confidence-ECE (Guo et al., 2017) was the first attempt at an ECE measure for multiclass problems
- Here, confidence means the probability given to the winning class, i.e. the highest value in the predicted probability vector
- We calculate the expected confidence calibration error confidence ECE as the binary-ECE of the binned confidence values



We can similarly define the maximum confidence calibration error confidence-MCE as the maximum gap across all bins in a reliability diagram:

confidence-MCE =
$$\max_{i \in \{1,...,M\}} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|$$



Confidence-ECE using our example

First, let us determine the confidence values:

	\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	У		\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	у		\hat{p}_1	\hat{p}_2	\hat{p}_3	у
1	1.0	0.0	0.0	1	11	0.8	0.2	0.0	2	21	0.8	0.2	0.0	3
2	0.9	0.1	0.0	1	12	0.7	0.0	0.3	2	22	0.8	0.1	0.1	3
3	0.8	0.1	0.1	1	13	0.5	0.2	0.3	2	23	0.8	0.0	0.2	3
4	0.7	0.1	0.2	1	14	0.4	0.4	0.2	2	24	0.6	0.0	0.4	3
5	0.6	0.3	0.1	1	15	0.4	0.2	0.4	2	25	0.3	0.0	0.7	3
6	0.4	0.1	0.5	1	16	0.3	0.4	0.3	2	26	0.2	0.6	0.2	3
7	1/3	1/3	1/3	1	17	0.2	0.3	0.5	2	27	0.2	0.4	0.4	3
8	1/3	1/3	1/3	1	18	0.1	0.6	0.3	2	28	0.0	0.4	0.6	3
9	0.2	0.4	0.4	1	19	0.1	0.3	0.6	2	29	0.0	0.3	0.7	3
10	0.1	0.5	0.4	1	20	0.0	0.2	0.8	2	30	0.0	0.3	0.7	3



Confidence-ECE using our example

We binarise the labels by checking if the classifier predicted the right class:

confidence	correct		confidence	correct		confidence	correct
1.00	1	-	0.8	0		0.8	0
0.90	1		0.7	0		0.8	0
0.80	1		0.5	0		0.8	0
0.70	1		0.4	0		0.6	0
0.60	1		0.4	0		0.7	1
0.50	0		0.4	1		0.6	0
0.33	1		0.5	0		0.4	0
0.33	1		0.6	1		0.6	1
0.40	0		0.6	0		0.7	1
0.50	0		0.8	0		0.7	1
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Confidence-ECE using our example

We now separate the confidences into 5 bins:

Bi	$ B_i $		$\bar{p}(B_i)$		$\bar{y}(B_i)$
B_1	0				
B_2	7	1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4	2.7/7	0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1	3/7
B_3	10	0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0.6, 0.6, 0.6, 0.6, 0.6,	5.6/10	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1	3/10
B_4	11	0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.8, 0.8, 0.8, 0.8,	8.3/11	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1	5/11
B_5	2	0.9, 1.0	1.9/2	1, 1	2/2

Note that bins that correspond to confidences less than 1/K will always be empty



The corresponding reliability diagram





Finally, we calculate the confidence-ECE

Bi	$\bar{p}(B_i)$	$\bar{y}(B_i)$	$ B_i $
B_1			0
B_2	0.38	0.43	7
B_3	0.56	0.30	10
B_4	0.75	0.45	11
B_5	0.95	1.00	2

confidence-ECE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_i|}{N} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|$$

confidence-ECE =
$$\frac{0 + 7 \cdot 0.05 + 10 \cdot 0.26 + 11 \cdot 0.3 + 2 \cdot 0.05}{30}$$

confidence-ECE = 0.2117



Confidence-MCE

For the confidence-MCE, we take the maximum gap between $\bar{p}(B_i)$ and $\bar{y}(B_i)$:

Bi	$\bar{p}(B_i)$	$\bar{y}(B_i)$	$ B_i $
B_1			0
B_2	0.38	0.43	7
B_3	0.56	0.30	10
B_4	0.75	0.45	11
B_5	0.95	1.00	2

 $ext{confidence} - ext{MCE} = \max_{i \in \{1,...,M\}} |\bar{y}(B_i) - \bar{p}(B_i)|$ $ext{confidence} - ext{MCE} = 0.3$



Classwise-ECE

- Confidence calibration only cares about the winning class
- To measure miscalibration for all classes, we can take the average binary-ECE across all classes
- The contribution of a single class j to this expected classwise calibration error (classwise-ECE) is called class-j-ECE



Classwise-ECE

Formally, classwise-ECE is defined as the average gap across all classwise-reliability diagrams, weighted by the number of instances in each bin:

$$\mathsf{classwise}-\mathsf{ECE} = rac{1}{K}\sum_{j=1}^{K}\sum_{i=1}^{M}rac{|B_{i,j}|}{N}|ar{y}_{j}(B_{i,j})-ar{p}_{j}(B_{i,j})|,$$

▶ Where $B_{i,j}$ is the *i*-th bin of the *j*-th class, $|B_{i,j}|$ denotes the size of the bin, and $\bar{p}_j(B_{i,j})$ and $\bar{y}_j(B_{i,j})$ denote the average prediction of class *j* probability and the actual proportion of class *j* in the bin $B_{i,j}$



Classwise-MCE

Similarly the maximum classwise calibration error (classwise-MCE) is defined as the maximum gap across all bins and all classwise-reliability diagrams:

$$\mathsf{classwise}-\mathsf{MCE} = \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, M\}} |\bar{y}_j(B_{i,j}) - \bar{p}_j(B_{i,j})|.$$



Classwise-ECE using our example

- ▶ We have already calculated class-1-ECE (0.1873) in our binary-ECE example
- Now we need to do the same for classes 2 and 3

$B_{i,2}$	$ B_{i,2} $		$\bar{p}(B_{i,2})$		$\bar{y}(B_{i,2})$
B _{1,2}	15	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1,	1.5/15	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1	1, 1, 1 5/15
$B_{2,2}$	12	0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4	4.2/12	0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1	4/12
$B_{3,2}$	3	0.5, 0.6, 0.6	1.7/3	0, 0, 1	1/3
$B_{4,2}$	0				
$B_{5,2}$	0				
B_i,3	, <i>B</i> _{i,3}		$\bar{p}(B_{i,3})$)	$\bar{y}(B_{i,3})$
$\frac{B_{i,3}}{B_{1,3}}$	$ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2,	<u></u> р(В _{і,3}) 1.1/11) 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1	<i>y</i> (<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,3}) 4/11
$\frac{B_{i,3}}{B_{1,i}}$	$ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $ $ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $ $ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4.	\$\bar{p}(B_{i,3})\$ 1.1/11 3.9/11) 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1	<i>y</i> (<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,3}) 4/11 2/11
B _{i,3} B _{1,1} B _{2,1} B _{3,1}	$ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $ $ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $ $ B_{i,3} = B_{i,3} $	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4. 0.5, 0.5, 0.6, 0.6	$ar{p}(B_{i,3})$ 1.1/11 . 3.9/11 2.2/4) 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1 0, 0, 0, 1	$\overline{y}(B_{i,3})$ 4/11 2/11 1/4
B _{i,3} B _{1,} B _{2,} B _{3,} B _{4,}	B B _{i,3} B B _{i,3}	0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 0.3, 1/3, 1/3, 0.4, 0.4, 0.4. 0.5, 0.5, 0.6, 0.6 0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.8	$ar{p}(B_{i,3})$ 1.1/11 . 3.9/11 2.2/4 2.9/4) 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1 0, 0, 0, 1 0, 1, 1, 1	$ \frac{\bar{y}(B_{i,3})}{4/11} \\ \frac{2}{11} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{3}{4} $



Each class has its own reliability diagram





Now we calculate class-2-ECE and class-3-ECE

class-2-ECE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_{i,2}|}{N} |\bar{y}(B_{i,2}) - \bar{p}(B_{i,2})|$$

class-2-ECE =
$$\frac{15 \cdot 0.23 + 12 \cdot 0.02 + 3 \cdot 0.24 + 0 + 0}{30}$$

class-2-ECE = 0.147

class-3-ECE =
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_{i,3}|}{N} |\bar{y}(B_{i,3}) - \bar{p}(B_{i,3})|$$

class-3-ECE = $\frac{11 \cdot 0.26 + 11 \cdot 0.17 + 4 \cdot 0.3 + 4 \cdot 0.03 + 0}{30}$

class-3-ECE = 0.2017



Finally, we take the mean of the 3 ECEs

classwise-ECE =
$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{|B_{i,j}|}{N} |\bar{y}_j(B_{i,j}) - \bar{p}_j(B_{i,j})|$$

classwise-ECE = $\frac{0.1873 + 0.147 + 0.2017}{3}$
classwise-ECE = 0.1787



Classwise-MCE

For the classwise-MCE, we take the maximum gap between $\bar{p}(B_{i,j})$ and $\bar{y}(B_{i,j})$ across all bins of all classes:

<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,1}	$\bar{p}(B_{i,1})$	$\bar{y}(B_{i,1})$	<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,1}	<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,2}	$\bar{p}(B_{i,2})$	$\bar{y}(B_{i,2})$	<i>B</i> _{<i>i</i>,2}	B _{i,3}	$\bar{p}(B_{i,3})$	$\bar{y}(B_{i,3})$	$ B_{i,3} $
B _{1,1}	0.10	0.18	11	$B_{1,2}$	0.10	0.33	15	$B_{1,3}$	0.10	0.36	11
$B_{2,1}$	0.35	0.43	7	$B_{2,2}$	0.35	0.33	12	$B_{2,3}$	0.35	0.18	11
$B_{3,1}$	0.57	0.33	3	$B_{3,2}$	0.57	0.33	3	$B_{3,3}$	0.55	0.25	4
$B_{4,1}$	0.77	0.29	7	$B_{4,2}$			0	$B_{4,3}$	0.72	0.75	4
B _{5,1}	0.95	1.00	2	B _{5,2}			0	B _{5,3}			0

classwise-MCE =
$$\max_{j \in \{1,...,K\}} \max_{i \in \{1,...,M\}} |\bar{y}_j(B_{i,j}) - \bar{p}_j(B_{i,j})|$$

classwise-MCE = 0.48



Optimising ECE can be as simple as predicting the overall class distribution, regardless of the given instance





What about multiclass-ECE?

- True multiclass-ECE is still an open problem
- ▶ With large numbers of classes, the number of bins can be prohibitively high
 - Most bins would be empty
- Therefore, we turn to proper scoring rules



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Proper scoring rules

- \blacktriangleright We now talk about loss measures ($\check{\phi}$) that prefer Bayes-optimal classifiers over other classifiers
- For any given $P(\mathbf{X}, Y)$, $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$, the following is satisfied:

$$\mathbb{E}_{y \sim \mathcal{P}(Y \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x})} \Big[\breve{\phi} \big(\mathbf{q}, y \big) \Big] \geq \mathbb{E}_{y \sim \mathcal{P}(Y \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x})} \Big[\breve{\phi} \big(\mathcal{P}(Y \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}), y \big) \Big]$$

And the left side is equal to right side if and only if q = P(Y | X = x)
 P(Y | X = x) is a vector with elements P(Y = j | X = x)



Proper scoring rules

- Proper scoring rules are calculated at the item level, while ECE measures are averages across bins
- Think of them as putting each item in its separate bin, then computing the average of some loss for each predicted probability and its corresponding observed label
 - Instead of the absolute difference, as in ECE, this loss can be the quadratic error or the Kullback–Leibler divergence, which have better mathematical properties





Brier score/Quadratic error/Euclidean distance

$$\breve{\phi}_{\mathsf{BS}}\left(\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{y}\right) = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{K}\left(\mathbb{I}(y_n=j) - q_{n,j}\right)^2$$

We can easily see that this value is not minimised by constantly predicting the class distribution, as in ECE

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{Q} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \breve{\phi}_{\text{BS}} \Big(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{y} \Big) = \frac{(1 - 0.5)^2 + (0 - 0.5)^2 + (0 - 0.5)^2 + (1 - 0.5)^2}{2} \\ \mathbf{y} &= [1, 2] \qquad \qquad \breve{\phi}_{\text{BS}} \Big(\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{y} \Big) = 0.5 \end{split}$$



Log-loss/Cross entropy

$$\breve{\phi}_{\mathsf{LL}}\Big(\mathbf{Q},\mathbf{y}\Big) = -rac{1}{N}\sum_{n=1}^{N}\sum_{j=1}^{K}\mathbb{I}(y_n=j)\cdot\log(q_{n,j})$$

- Frequently used to as the training loss of machine learning methods, such as neural networks
- Only penalises the probability given to the true class

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Let us rewind a bit

As mentioned before, a model that always outputs the class proportion will have a perfect ECE of 0, but its log-loss is not 0 (in fact, it's 0.6365)





An evaluation trade-off

What happens if our model gives 0.9 probability to the instances' true classes?

 $\begin{array}{l} accuracy = 1 \\ ECE = 0.1 \\ log-loss = 0.1054 \end{array}$





- ECE increased (0 to 0.1), but log-loss decreased (0.6365 to 0.1054)
- So why did log-loss decrease?
 - Because proper scoring rules do not measure only calibration
 - In fact, they can be decomposed into terms with different interpretations (Kull and Flach, 2015)



- An intuitive way to decompose proper scoring rules is into refinement and calibration losses: E [ŏ] = RL + CL
 - Refinement loss: is the loss due to producing the same probability for instances from different classes
 - Calibration loss: is the loss due to the difference between the probabilities predicted by the model and the proportion of positives among instances with the same output



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- An intuitive way to decompose proper scoring rules is into refinement and calibration losses: E [ŏ] = RL + CL
 - Calibration loss: is the loss due to the difference between the probabilities predicted by the model and the proportion of positives among instances with the same output (the second model increases this loss)



- Since we don't usually know the real score distribution, we would need to once again rely on binning if we wanted to actually estimate refinement and calibration losses
- Additionally, the terms are calculated (estimated) differently, depending on the proper scoring rule
- **Fun fact:** the loss of the optimal classifier is not necessarily 0
 - This is due to irreducible loss, which is only 0 if the attributes provide enough information to uniquely determine the instances' right label Y, with probability 1 (Kull and Flach, 2015)



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• Given a classifier $\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}$, we can check if its predictions for a test set $\{(\boldsymbol{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\boldsymbol{x}_N, y_N)\}$ are calibrated according to an arbitrary loss measure $\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{test}})$, such as ECE, log-loss or Brier score



- We use a simple resampling-based hypothesis test under the null hypothesis that the classifier's outputs are calibrated (Vaicenavicius et al., 2019)
- First, we generate S bootstrapped label sets y_s, s ∈ {1,..., S}, such that each y_{s,i} is sampled from p̂(x̂_i)
- ► Then we calculate $\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s)$ for each label set s





► We then calculate the p-value as:

$$P\Big(\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s) > \phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{test}})\Big) = P\Big(\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s) > 0.32\Big)$$
(1)





We then calculate the p-value as:

$$m{P}ig(\phi(m{\hat{p}}(X_{ ext{test}}),m{y}_s)>0.32ig)pprox 0.26$$

We cannot reject the null hypothesis here





(2)

Now suppose the original labels were such that our classifier's classwise-ECE had a value of 0.37

$$P\Big(\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s) > 0.37\Big). \tag{3}$$





Now suppose that our classifier's classwise-ece had a value of 0.37

$$P(\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(\boldsymbol{X}_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s) > 0.37) \approx 0.01 \tag{4}$$





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$$P(\phi(\hat{\boldsymbol{p}}(X_{\text{test}}), \boldsymbol{y}_s) > 0.37) \approx 0.01$$
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- There are various ways to visualise and quantify calibration
- ECE measures aim at producing an aggregate measure of the visual information provided in reliability diagrams
 - Thus, their optimisation is not guaranteed to produce desirable classifiers
- Proper scoring rules measure different aspects of probability correctness
 - They have been used as training losses in classifier training for a while
 - But they cannot tell "where" the model is more miscalibrated
- Finally, the hypothesis test for calibration can help determine if a particular loss value means that the classifier is calibrated or not



What happens next

15.30 - Break and preparation for hands-on session

15.50 - Hao Song: Calibrators

Binary approaches; multi-class approaches; regularisation and Bayesian treatments; implementation

16.50 - Miquel Perello-Nieto: Hands-on session

17.30 - Peter Flach, Hao Song: Advanced topics and conclusion Cost curves; calibrating for F-score; regressor calibration All times in CEST



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