List of corrections

- 1. page 50, Figure 4.5: Remove arrows from the ends of the two lines.
- 2. page 64, In the first line after the first mathematical display the word "by" is duplicated. Remove one.
- 3. page 70, line -4: write

$$=\mathbf{E}\left\{\sum_{j=0}^k\cdots\right.$$

(i.e., replace "1" by "0").

- 4. page 94, line -2: Put: "By conditioning on the random variable N(x), it is easy to see"
- 5. page 166, add the following sentence to the end of Problem 10.22: "Prove that the rule is weakly consistent for all $r \leq d$ whenever X has a density."
- 6. page 180, Figure 11.2: Remove arrows from the ends of all lines.
- 7. page 191, in the fourth line of the second paragraph replace "points from X_1, \ldots, X_{2d} " by "points from X_1, \ldots, X_n "
- 8. page 206, line 10: replace expression by the following:

$$\mathbf{P}\left\{L(\phi_n^*) - \inf_{\phi \in \mathcal{C}} L(\phi) > \epsilon\right\} \le 8\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{C}, n) e^{-n\epsilon^2/8(L+\epsilon)}$$

- 9. page 210, line 10: replace "(Lugosi (1995))" by "(Shawe-Taylor, Anthony, and Biggs (1993))".
- 10. page 211, line -15, and page 212, line 1: replace "Buescher and Kumar (1994a)" by "Buescher and Kumar (1996a)".
- 11. page 236, lines -4, -3: If on the other hand $n \ge 15$ and $n \le (V-1)/(12\epsilon)$, then

$$\sup_{(X,Y)\in\mathcal{X}} \mathbf{P}\{L_n \ge \epsilon\} \ge \frac{1}{10}.$$

12. page 237, line 15: replace expression by

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{P} \{ X \neq X_1, \dots, X \neq X_n, X \neq x_V | X_1, \dots, X_n \}$$

- 13. page 237, line -6: Replace the first two sentences of this paragraph by: CHOICE A. Take p = 1/n, and assume $12n\epsilon \leq V - 1$, $\epsilon < 1/2$. Note that for $n \geq 15$, $\mathbf{E}|J| = (V-1)(1-p)^n \geq (V-1)/3$. Also ...
- 14. pages 237–238: replace the chain of inequalities starting on page 237 and ending on page 238 by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}\{|J| \ge 2n\epsilon\} &= 1 - \mathbf{P}\{|J| < 2n\epsilon\} \\ &\ge 1 - \mathbf{P}\{|J| < (V-1)/6\} \\ &= 1 - \mathbf{P}\{|J| - \mathbf{E}|J| \le -(V-1)/6\} \\ &\ge 1 - \frac{\mathbf{Var}|J|}{\mathbf{Var}|J| + (V-1)^2/36} \\ &\ge 1 - \frac{(V-1)^2/4}{(V-1)^2/4 + (V-1)^2/36} \\ &= \frac{1}{10}. \end{aligned}$$

15. page 246, lines 6,7: Replace these two lines by Finally, for $\delta \leq 1/10$ and $\epsilon < 1/2$,

$$N(\epsilon, \delta) \ge \frac{V - 1}{12\epsilon}.$$

- 16. page 292, lines 13 and 19, and page 301, line 3: replace "Lugosi and Zeger (1994)" by "Lugosi and Zeger (1996)".
- 17. page 298, line 1: replace "Buescher and Kumar (1994b)" by "Buescher and Kumar (1996b)".
- 18. page 312, the last line of the proof of Theorem 19.6: replace "check the proof of Theorem 5.15 again" by "check the proof of Theorem 19.5 again".
- 19. page 320, Figure 20.9: remove arrow from the left end of horizontal line.
- 20. page 324, Figure 20.12: remove the three empty-headed arrows.
- 21. page 329, at the beginning of the first and sixth lines after the first mathematical display, replace $\mathbf{P}\{E_2 \cup E_5 \cup E_6\} \to \infty$ by $\mathbf{P}\{E_2 \cup E_5 \cup E_6\} \to 1$.

- 22. page 339, Figure 20.19: remove arrow from the upper right end of line.
- 23. page 348, Figure 20.22: remove all arrows from the ends of the lines in the right half of the picture.
- 24. page 364, lines 8 and -5; page 365, line -4; page 369, line 1; page 378, line 1 (under the figure); and page 383, line 9: replace "Lugosi and Nobel (1993)" by "Lugosi and Nobel (1996)".
- 25. page 393, line 1: Put "Theorem 21.5" instead of "Theorem 21.7".
- 26. page 485, line 21: replace "Buescher and Kumar (1994a)" by "Buescher and Kumar (1996a)".
- 27. page 538, line -4: replace the first sign in the expression by +.
- 28. page 589, line 16: replace the last mathematical display in Section A.9 by

$$\mathbf{P}\left\{ \left| X - \frac{bn}{N} \right| \ge n\epsilon \right\} \le 2e^{-2n\epsilon^2}.$$

- 29. page 596, line 19: update reference to: Buescher, K. and Kumar, P. (1996a). Learning by canonical smooth estimation, Part I: Simultaneous estimation. *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 41:545–556.
- 30. page 596, line 21: update reference to: Buescher, K. and Kumar, P. (1996b). Learning by canonical smooth estimation, Part II: Learning and choice of model complexity. *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 41:557–569.
- page 599, line -6: update reference to: Devroye, L. and Lugosi, G. (1995). Lower bounds in pattern recognition and learning. Pattern Recognition, 28:1011–1018.
- page 609, line 18: update reference to: Lugosi, G. and Nobel, A. (1996). Consistency of data-driven histogram methods for density estimation and classification. *Annals of Statistics*, 24:687–706.
- 33. page 609, line 24: update reference to:
 Lugosi, G. and Zeger, K. (1996). Concept learning using complexity regularization. *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 42:48–54

- 34. page 614, line -3: add the following reference: Shawe-Taylor, J., Anthony, M. and Biggs, N.L. (1993). Bounding sample size with the Vapnik-Chervonenkis dimension. *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, 42:65–73.
- 35. page 615, line -16: At the end of reference Stone (1977), replace 8:1348–1360 by 5:595–645