

Computing the Bayes error:

Quantifies the expected performance.

We saw that for a 0-1 loss case,

$$\text{error} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \min(p_0 f_0(x), p_1 f_1(x)) dx.$$

This is a difficult integral to evaluate in general.

However can be computed for some special cases.

Neyman-pearson Criterion.

We may want to explicitly trade one type of error with another.

Eg: minimize Type-II error under the constraint that Type-I is $<$ some threshold.

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Type I error: False positive

Type II error: False negative

N-P: minimize false negatives under a fixed constraint for false positives.

Mathematically, Given any $\alpha \in (0, 1)$

1. $P[h_{NP}(x) = 1 \mid x \in C_0] \leq \alpha$
 2. $P[h_{NP}(x) = 0 \mid x \in C_1] \leq P[h(x) = 0 \mid x \in C_1]$
- $\forall h$ such that $P[h(x) = 1 \mid x \in C_0] \leq \alpha.$

Claim:
$$h_{NP}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \frac{f_1(x)}{f_0(x)} > K \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where K is such that

$$P\left[\frac{f_1(x)}{f_0(x)} \leq K \mid x \in C_0\right] = 1 - \alpha.$$

Proof: $P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C_0]$ By, construction,

$$= P\left[\frac{f_1(x)}{f_0(x)} > k | x \in C_0\right]$$

$$= \alpha$$

Needs to be shown: Type-II error is $<$ any other classifier satisfying this constraint on type-I error.

Let h be any classifier s.t

$$P[h(x)=1 | x \in C_0] \leq \alpha.$$

To complete the proof, to show

$$P[h_{NP}(x)=0 | x \in C_1] \leq P[h(x)=0 | x \in C_1]$$

$$\text{or } P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C_1] \geq P[h(x)=1 | x \in C_1].$$

Consider the integral,

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} [h_{NP}(x) - h(x)] (f_1(x) - k f_0(x)) dx \\ &= \int_{f_1 > k f_0} (h_{NP}(x) - h(x)) (f_1(x) - k f_0(x)) dx \\ &\quad + \int_{f_1 \leq k f_0} (h_{NP}(x) - h(x)) (f_1(x) - k f_0(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

Let's first show that this integral is always non-negative.

When $f_1(x) > k f_0(x)$, we have

$$h_{NP}(x) - h(x) = 1 - h(x) \geq 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow (h_{NP}(x) - h(x)) (f_1(x) - k f_0(x))$$

Why, when $f_1(x) < k f_0(x)$,

$$h_{NP}(x) - h(x) = 0 - h(x) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (h_{NP}(x) - h(x)) (f_1(x) - k f_0(x)) \geq 0.$$

$$(24). \quad \Rightarrow I \geq 0.$$

Thus, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (h_{NP}(x) - h(x)) (f(x) - k f_0(x)) dx \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h_{NP}(x) f(x) dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(x) f(x) dx \geq$$

$$k \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h_{NP}(x) f_0(x) dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(x) f_0(x) dx \right]$$

since h_{NP} & $h \in \{0, 1\}$.

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h_{NP}(x) f(x) dx = P[h_{NP}(x) = 1 \mid x \in C]$$

$$\text{& } \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(x) f(x) dx = P[h(x) = 1 \mid x \in C-1].$$

illy for integrals involving f_0 .

We have already shown that,

$$\int h_{NP}(x) f_1(x) dx - \int h(x) f_1(x) dx \geq 0$$

$$K \left[\int h_{NP}(x) f_0(x) dx - \int h(x) f_0(x) dx \right].$$

Hence,

$$P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C-1] - P[h(x)=1 | x \in C-1]$$

$$\geq K \left[P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C-0] - P[h(x)=1 | x \in C-0] \right].$$

Hence we have,

$$P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C-1] - P[h(x)=1 | x \in C-1]$$

$$\geq K \left[P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C-0] - P[h(x)=1 | x \in C-0] \right].$$

But we have shown that the RHS is

non-negative for all conditions.

$$\text{Hence, } P[h_{NP}(x)=1 | x \in C-1] - P[h(x)=1 | x \in C-1] \geq 0$$

Hence the proof.

Recall: Bayes classifier - General case.

$$h_B(x) = \alpha_i \quad \text{if}$$

$$R(\alpha_i | x) \leq R(\alpha_j | x) \quad \forall j$$

$$\text{where } R(\alpha_i | x) = \sum_{j=0}^{M-1} L(C_j, \alpha_i) q_j(x).$$

Example: K -classes, $K+1^{\text{th}}$ class - reject the pattern.

$$\begin{aligned} L(i, j) &= 0 & \text{if } i=j, i, j=1, \dots, K \\ &= p_m & \text{if } i=1, \dots, K \text{ \& } i \neq j \\ &= p_r & \text{if } i=K+1. \end{aligned}$$

Goal: Derive the BC in terms of q s.

For, $\alpha_i=1, \dots, K$, we have $L(C_j, \alpha_i) = p_m$
if $\alpha_i \neq C_j$

$$\text{Hence, } R(i | x) = \sum_{j \neq i} p_m q_j(x) = p_m [1 - q_i(x)]$$

$$\text{Also, } R(K+1 | x) = \sum_j p_r q_j(x) = p_r.$$

Hence, $h_B(x) = i$, $1 \leq i \leq K$, if

$$f_m(1 - q_i(x)) \leq f_m(1 - q_j(x)) \quad \forall j$$

$$\& \quad f_m(1 - q_i(x)) \leq P_r.$$

Thus, $h_B(x) = i$, $1 \leq i \leq K$ if

$$(i) \quad q_i(x) \geq q_j(x) \quad \forall j$$

$$(ii) \quad q_i(x) \geq 1 - \frac{P_r}{f_m};$$

else $h_B(x) = K+1$.

Finding the Bayes error.

Gives the expected performance.

Eg: for 0-1 loss fn, w

$$\text{error} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \min(P_0 f_0(x), P_1 f_1(x)) dx.$$

Difficult to find in general cases.

Eg: 2-class problem, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f_i(x) \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma)$.
 0-1 loss, $p_i = p_0$.

We have seen that $h_\theta(x) = 0$ if
 $x < \frac{\mu_0 + \mu_1}{2}$.

$$\therefore P(\text{error}) = R(h_\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{\mu_0 + \mu_1}{2}} f_1(x) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{\mu_0 + \mu_1}{2}}^{\infty} f_0(x) dx$$

$$= 0.5 \Phi\left(\frac{\mu_0 - \mu_1}{2\sigma}\right) + 0.5 \left[1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\mu_1 - \mu_0}{2\sigma}\right)\right]$$

$Z = \frac{x - \mu_1}{\sigma}$ converts the integrals into standard normal.

Thus, $\frac{|\mu_0 - \mu_1|}{\sigma}$ is called discriminability.

Discuss NP here.

ROC - Curves.

In a Binary class problem there are 4-types of cases.

e_0 (Miss) / False negative.

e_1 False alarm / False positive.

$1 - e_0$ Correct detection / True positive.

$1 - e_1$ Correct rejection / True negative.

For a 1-D feature space with 2-class
Consider $h(x) = 0$ if $x \leq \tau$. For the
previous case of Gaussians.

$$P[\text{error}] = 0.5 \Phi\left(\frac{\tau - \mu_1}{\sigma}\right) + 0.5 \left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\tau - \mu_0}{\sigma}\right)\right)$$

The error is a fn of τ alone.

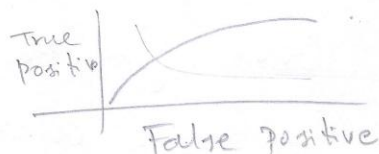
Now if we vary τ ,

$$e_0 = P[x \leq \tau | x \in C_1] \quad 1 - e_0 = P[x > \tau | x \in C_1]$$

$$e_1 = P[x > \tau | x \in C_0] \quad 1 - e_1 = P[x \leq \tau | x \in C_0]$$

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varying τ , makes the point $(e_1, 1-e_0)$ move on a smooth curve in \mathbb{R}^2 . — This curve is called the ROC.



Metrics of goodness:

$$\text{Accuracy: } \frac{\sum \text{True positive} + \sum \text{true negative}}{\sum \text{Total Count}}.$$

$$\text{Precision: } \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

(proportion of correct detections out of detections by the classifier.)

$$\text{Recall: } \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

(proportion of correct detections out of total number of positive cases).

F1-Score: Harmonic mean of P & R.

For a fixed τ , we can estimate e_0 & e_1 from training data.

Hence, varying τ , one can find the 'best' operating point.

Implementing Bayes Classifier: Estimating class conditional densities.

Problem: Given $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$ drawn IID according to some distribution, estimate the underlying PDF.

Two approaches: i) Parametric: assume the form & estimate the parameter
ii) Non-parametric: Don't assume the form
- modeled as a convex combo of some densities.

Parametric :
 Non-Bayesian (MLE)
 Parameter is not a RV
 estimate one value.
 Bayesian: Parameter is a RV.
 estimate a density.