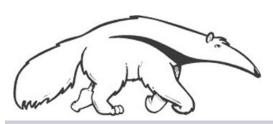
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Bayes Classifiers

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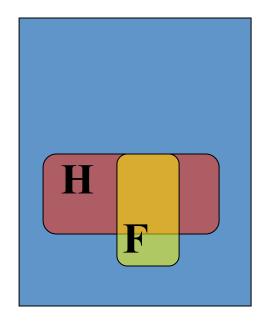
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 - Can normalize into probability:p(y=good | X=c)

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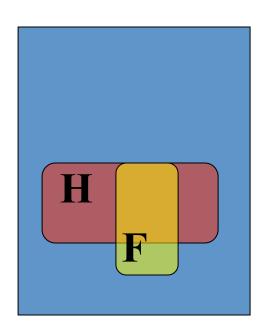
How to generalize?

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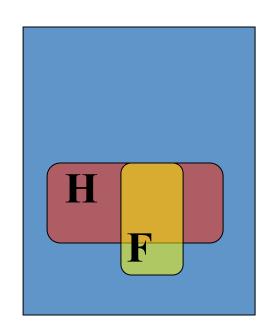


 You wake up with a headache – what is the chance that you have the flu?

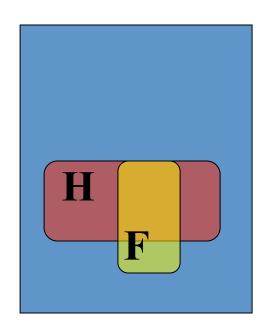
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- P(F|H) = p(H & F) / p(H)= (1/80) / (1/10) = 1/8



Classification and probability

- Suppose we want to model the data
- Prior probability of each class, p(y)
 - E.g., fraction of applicants that have good credit
- Distribution of features given the class, p(x | y=c)
 - How likely are we to see "x" in users with good credit?
- Joint distribution p(y|x)p(x) = p(x,y) = p(x|y)p(y)
- Bayes Rule: $\Rightarrow p(y|x) = p(x|y)p(y)/p(x)$

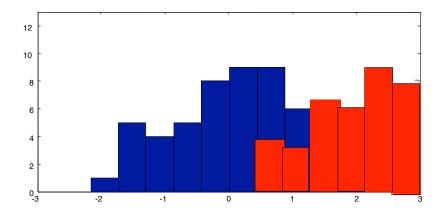
(Use the rule of total probability to calculate the denominator!)
$$= \frac{p(x|y)p(y)}{\sum_{c} p(x|y=c)p(y=c)}$$

- Learn "class conditional" models
 - Estimate a probability model for each class
- Training data
 - Split by class
 - $D_c = \{ x^{(j)} : y^{(j)} = c \}$
- Estimate p(x | y=c) using D_c
- For a discrete x, this recalculates the same table...

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p(y)	383/690	307/690
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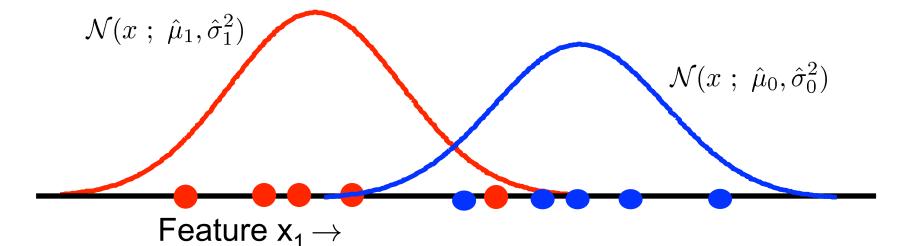
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- For continuous x, can use any density estimate we like
 - Histogram
 - Gaussian
 - **–** ...



Gaussian models

Estimate parameters of the Gaussians from the data

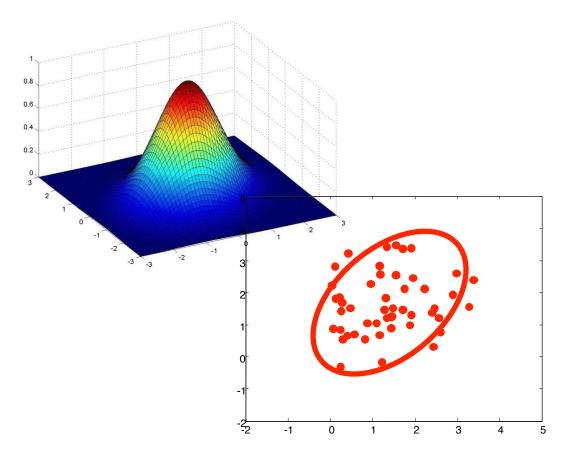
$$\alpha = \frac{m_1}{m} = \hat{p}(y = c_1)$$
 $\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_j x^{(j)}$ $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_j (x^{(j)} - \mu)^2$



Multivariate Gaussian models

Similar to univariate case

$$\mathcal{N}(\underline{x} ; \underline{\mu}, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})\right\}$$



 μ = length-d column vector Σ = d x d matrix

 $|\Sigma|$ = matrix determinant

Maximum likelihood estimate:

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j} \underline{x}^{(j)}$$

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j} (\underline{x}^{(j)} - \underline{\hat{\mu}})^{T} (\underline{x}^{(j)} - \underline{\hat{\mu}})$$

Example: Gaussian Bayes for Iris Data

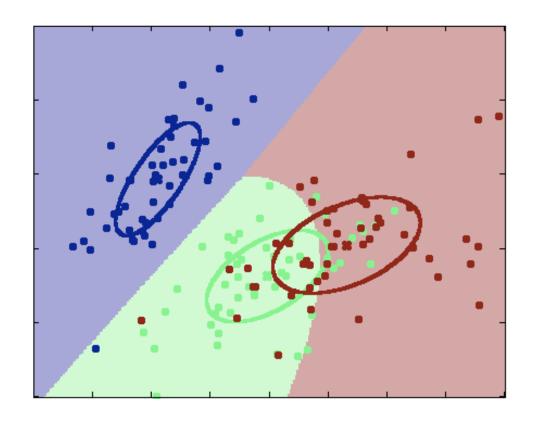
Fit Gaussian distribution to each class {0,1,2}

$$p(y) = \text{Discrete}(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$$

$$p(x_1, x_2 | y = 0) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_0, \Sigma_0)$$

$$p(x_1, x_2 | y = 1) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_1, \Sigma_1)$$

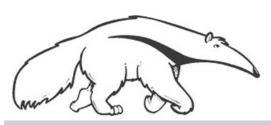
$$p(x_1, x_2 | y = 2) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_2, \Sigma_2)$$



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Bayes Classifiers: Naïve Bayes

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- Estimate p(y) = [p(y=0) , p(y=1) ...]
- Estimate p(x | y=c) for each class c
- Calculate p(y=c | x) using Bayes rule
- Choose the most likely class c
- For a discrete x, can represent as a contingency table...
 - What about if we have more discrete features?

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p(y)

Joint distributions

Make a truth table of all combinations of values

Α	В	С
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

Joint distributions

- Make a truth table of all combinations of values
- For each combination of values, determine how probable it is
- Total probability must sum to one
- How many values did we specify?

Α	В	С	p(A,B,C y=1)
0	0	0	0.50
0	0	1	0.05
0	1	0	0.01
0	1	1	0.10
1	0	0	0.04
1	0	1	0.15
1	1	0	0.05
1	1	1	0.10

Overfitting and density estimation

- Estimate probabilities from the data
 - E.g., how many times (what fraction)
 did each outcome occur?
- M data << 2^N parameters?
- What about the zeros?
 - We learn that certain combinations are impossible?
 - What if we see these later in test data?
- Overfitting!

Α	В	C	p(A,B,C y=1)
0	0	0	4/10
0	0	1	1/10
0	1	0	0/10
0	1	1	0/10
1	0	0	1/10
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- One option: regularize $\hat{p}(a,b,c) \propto (M_{abc} + \alpha)$
- Normalize to make sure values sum to one...

Α	В	С	p(A,B,C y=1)
0	0	0	4/10
0	0	1	1/10
0	1	0	0/10
0	1	1	0/10
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Overfitting and density estimation

- Another option: reduce the model complexity
 - E.g., assume that features are independent of one another
- Independence:
- p(a,b) = p(a) p(b)
- $p(x_1, x_2, ... x_N | y=1) = p(x_1 | y=1) p(x_2 | y=1) ... p(x_N | y=1)$
- Only need to estimate each individually

Α	p(A y=1)
0	.4
1	.6

В	p(B y=1)
0	.7
1	.3

С	p(C y=1)	
0	.1	\Rightarrow
1	.9	,

Α	В	С	p(A,B,C y=1)
0	0	0	.4 * .7 * .1
0	0	1	.4 * .7 * .9
0	1	0	.4 * .3 * .1
0	1	1	
1	0	0	
1	0	1	
1	1	0	
1	1	1	

Example: Naïve Bayes

Observed Data:

X ₁	X ₂	У
1	1	0
1	0	0
1	0	1
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	1	0
0	0	1
1	0	1

$$\hat{p}(y=1) = \frac{4}{8} = (1 - \hat{p}(y=0))$$

$$\hat{p}(x_1, x_2|y=0) = \hat{p}(x_1|y=0)\,\hat{p}(x_2|y=0)$$

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$$\hat{p}(x_2 = 1|y = 0) = \frac{2}{4}$$
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Prediction given some observation x?

$$\hat{p}(y=1)\hat{p}(x=11|y=1) \qquad \stackrel{<}{>} \qquad \hat{p}(y=0)\hat{p}(x=11|y=0) \\ \frac{4}{8} \times \frac{2}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \qquad \stackrel{=}{>} \qquad \frac{4}{8} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{4}$$

Decide class 0

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$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

Example: Joint Bayes

Observed Data:

x ₁	X ₂	у
1	1	0
1	0	0
1	0	1
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	1	0
0	0	1
1	0	1

$$\hat{p}(y=1) = \frac{4}{8} = (1 - \hat{p}(y=0))$$

$$\hat{p}(x_1, x_2 | y = 0) =$$

$$\hat{p}(x_1, x_2 | y = 1) =$$

x ₁	X ₂	p(x y=1)
0	0	1/4
0	1	1/4
1	0	2/4
1	1	0/4

$$\hat{p}(y=1|x_1=1,x_2=1) = \frac{\frac{4}{8} \times 0}{\frac{2}{4} \times \frac{4}{8} + 0 \times \frac{4}{8}}$$

$$= 0$$

Naïve Bayes models

- Variable y to predict, e.g. "auto accident in next year?"
 - We have *many* co-observed vars x=[x₁...x_n]
 - Age, income, education, zip code, ...
- Want to learn $p(y | x_1...x_n)$, to predict y
 - Arbitrary distribution: O(dⁿ) values!
- Naïve Bayes:
 - $p(y|\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x}|y) p(y) / p(\mathbf{x})$; $p(\mathbf{x}|y) = \prod_{i} p(x_i|y)$
 - Covariates are independent given "cause"
- Note: may not be a good model of the data
 - Doesn't capture correlations in x's
 - Can't capture some dependencies
- But in practice it often does quite well!

Naïve Bayes models for spam

- y \in {spam, not spam}
 - X = observed words in email
 - Ex: ["the" ... "probabilistic" ... "lottery"...]
 - "1" if word appears; "0" if not
 - 1000's of possible words: 2^{1000s} parameters?
 - # of atoms in the universe: $\sim 2^{270}...$
 - Model words given email type as independent
 - Some words more likely for spam ("lottery")
 - Some more likely for real ("probabilistic")
 - Only 1000's of parameters now...

Naïve Bayes Gaussian models

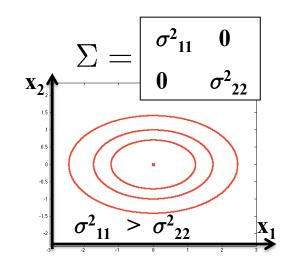
$$p(x_1) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2}(x_1 - \mu_1)^2\right\} \qquad p(x_2) = \frac{1}{Z_2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_2^2}(x_2 - \mu_2)^2\right\}$$

$$p(x_1)p(x_2) = \frac{1}{Z_1 Z_2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1}(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})\right\}$$

$$\underline{\mu} = [\mu_1 \ \mu_2]$$

$$\Sigma = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1^2 \ , \ \sigma_2^2)$$

Again, reduces the number of parameters of the model: Bayes: n²/2 Naïve Bayes: n



You should know...

- Bayes rule; p(y|x)
- Bayes classifiers
 - Learn p(x | y=C) , p(y=C)
- Naïve Bayes classifiers
 - Assume features are independent given class:

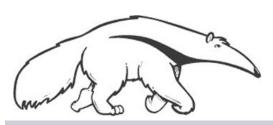
$$p(x | y=C) = p(x_1 | y=C) p(x_2 | y=C) ...$$

- Maximum likelihood (empirical) estimators for
 - Discrete variables
 - Gaussian variables
 - Overfitting; simplifying assumptions or regularization

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Bayes Classifiers: Measuring Error

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- What's the (training) error rate of this method?

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Gets these examples wrong:

$$Pr[error] = (15 + 287 + 3) / (690)$$

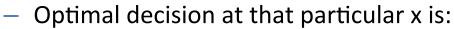
(empirically on training data: better to use test data)

Bayes Error Rate

Suppose that we knew the true probabilities:

$$p(x,y) \Rightarrow p(y), p(x|y=0), p(x|y=1)$$

- Observe any x: $\Rightarrow p(y=0|x)$ (at any x) p(y = 1|x)



$$\hat{y} = f(x) = \arg\max_{c} p(y = c|x)$$

Error rate is:

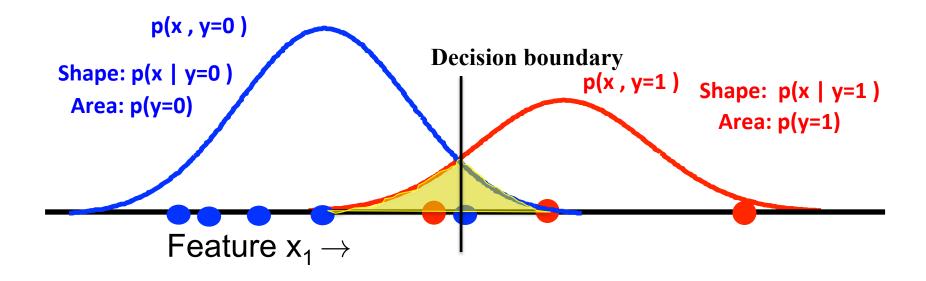
$$\mathbb{E}_{xy}[y \neq \hat{y}] = \mathbb{E}_x[1 - \max_{c} p(y = c|x)]$$
 = "Bayes error rate"

- This is the best that any classifier can do!
- Measures fundamental hardness of separating y-values given only features x
- Note: conceptual only!
 - Probabilities p(x,y) must be estimated from data
 - Form of p(x,y) is not known and may be very complex

Bayes classification decision rule compares probabilities:

$$p(y = 0|x) \le p(y = 1|x)$$
= $p(y = 0, x) \le p(y = 1, x)$

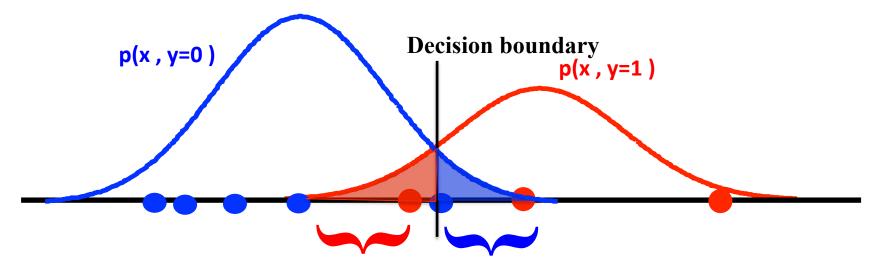
Can visualize this nicely if x is a scalar:



- Not all errors are created equally...
- Risk associated with each outcome?

Add multiplier alpha:

$$\alpha \ p(y = 0, x) \ \stackrel{<}{>} \ p(y = 1, x)$$



Type 1 errors: false positives

Type 2 errors: false negatives

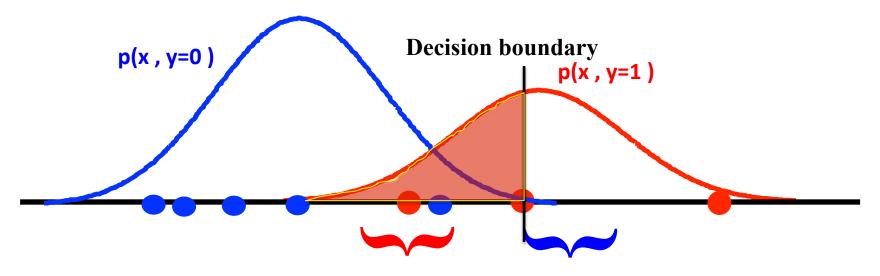
False positive rate: $(\# y=0, \hat{y}=1) / (\# y=0)$

False negative rate: $(\# y=1, \hat{y}=0) / (\# y=1)$

- Increase alpha: prefer class 0
- Spam detection

Add multiplier alpha:

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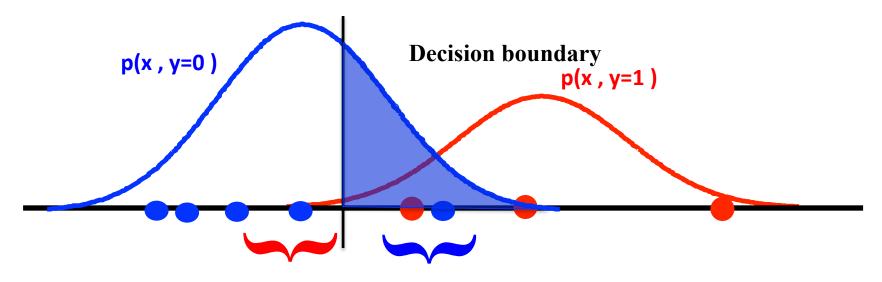
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- Decrease alpha: prefer class 1
- Cancer detection

Add multiplier alpha:

$$\alpha p(y=0,x) \stackrel{<}{>} p(y=1,x)$$



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Measuring errors

- Confusion matrix
- Can extend to more classes

	Predict 0	Predict 1
Y=0	380	5
Y=1	338	3

- True positive rate: #(y=1, ŷ=1) / #(y=1) -- "sensitivity"
- False negative rate: #(y=1, ŷ=0) / #(y=1)
- False positive rate: #(y=0, ŷ=1) / #(y=0)
- True negative rate: #(y=0, ŷ=0) / #(y=0) -- "specificity"

Likelihood ratio tests

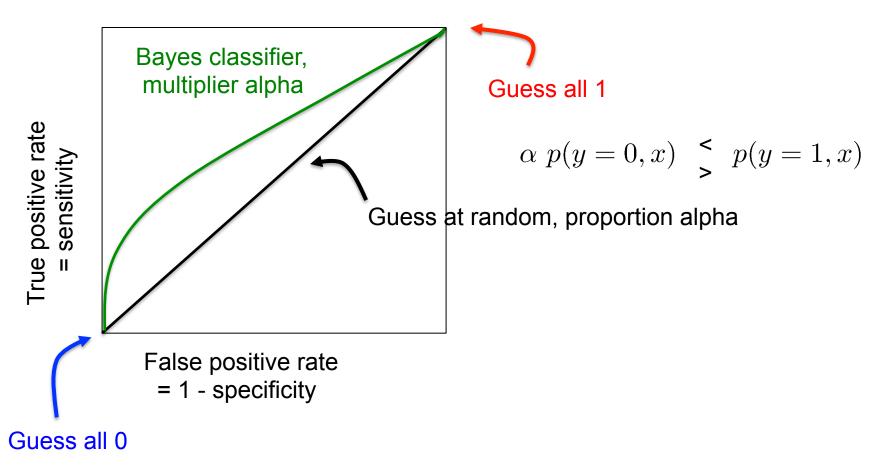
• Connection to classical, statistical decision theory:

$$p(y=0,x) \leq p(y=1,x) = \log \frac{p(y=0)}{p(y=1)} \leq \log \frac{p(x|y=1)}{p(x|y=0)}$$
 "log likelihood ratio"

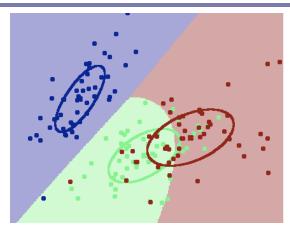
- Likelihood ratio: relative support for observation "x" under "alternative hypothesis" y=1, compared to "null hypothesis" y=0
- Can vary the decision threshold: $\gamma < \log \frac{p(x|y=1)}{p(x|y=0)}$
- Classical testing:
 - Choose gamma so that FPR is fixed ("p-value")
 - Given that y=0 is true, what's the probability we decide y=1?

ROC Curves

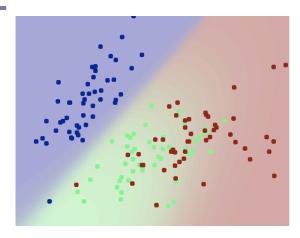
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Probabilistic vs. Discriminative learning



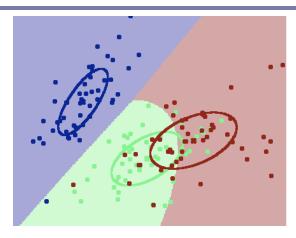
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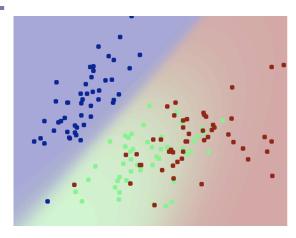
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(expresses confidence in outcomes)

- "Probabilistic" learning
 - Conditional models just explain y: p(y|x)
 - Generative models also explain x: p(x,y)
 - Often a component of unsupervised or semi-supervised learning
 - Bayes and Naïve Bayes classifiers are generative models

Probabilistic vs. Discriminative learning



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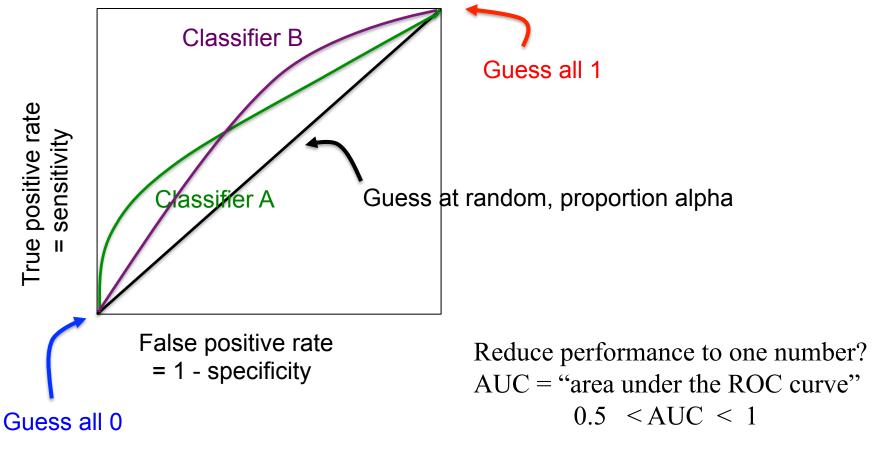
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- Can use ROC curves for discriminative models also:
 - Some notion of confidence, but doesn't correspond to a probability
 - In our code: "predictSoft" (vs. hard prediction, "predict")

```
>> learner = gaussianBayesClassify(X,Y); % build a classifier
>> Ysoft = predictSoft(learner, X); % N x C matrix of confidences
>> plotSoftClassify2D(learner, X,Y); % shaded confidence plot
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ROC Curves

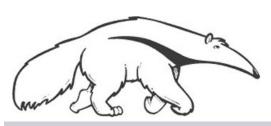
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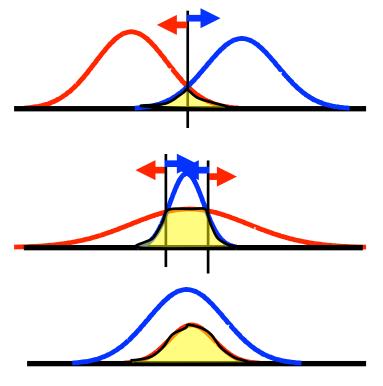






Gaussian models

- "Bayes optimal" decision
 - Choose most likely class
- Decision boundary
 - Places where probabilities equal
- What shape is the boundary?



Gaussian models

- Bayes optimal decision boundary
 - p(y=0 | x) = p(y=1 | x)
 - Transition point between p(y=0|x) > < p(y=1|x)
- Assume Gaussian models with equal covariances

$$\mathcal{N}(\underline{x} ; \underline{\mu}, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{\mu})\right\}$$

$$0 < \log \frac{p(x|y=0)}{p(x|y=1)} \frac{p(y=0)}{p(y=1)} = \log \frac{p(y=0)}{p(y=1)} + \dots$$

$$-.5(x\Sigma^{-1}x - 2\mu_0^T \Sigma^{-1}x + \mu_0^T \Sigma^{-1}\mu_0)$$

$$+.5(x\Sigma^{-1}x - 2\mu_1^T \Sigma^{-1}x + \mu_1^T \Sigma^{-1}\mu_1)$$

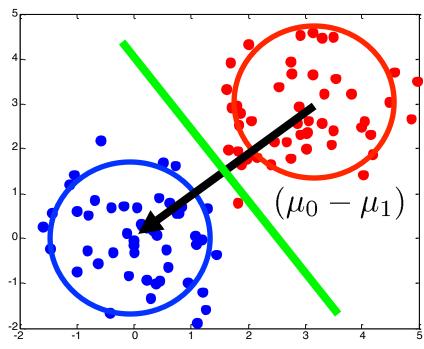
$$= (\mu_0 - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1}x + constants$$

Gaussian example

- Spherical covariance: $\Sigma = \sigma^2 I$
- Decision rule

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$$(\mu_0 - \mu_1)^T x < C$$

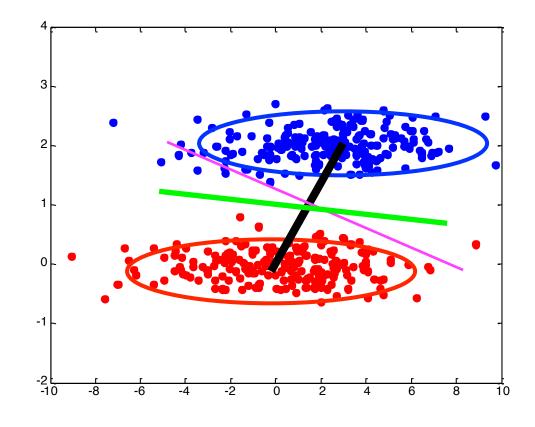


$$C = .5(\mu_0^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_0)$$
$$- \mu_1^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1)$$
$$- \log \frac{p(y=0)}{p(y=1)}$$

Non-spherical Gaussian distributions

- Equal covariances => still linear decision rule
 - May be "modulated" by variance direction
 - Scales; rotates (if correlated)

Ex: Variance [3 0] [0 .25]



Class posterior probabilities

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- We can compute posterior using Bayes' rule
 - p(y=c | x) = p(x|y=c) p(y=c) / p(x)
- Compute p(x) using sum rule / law of total prob.
 - p(x) = p(x|y=0) p(y=0) + p(x|y=1)p(y=1)

Class posterior probabilities

Consider comparing two classes

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- p(x | y=0) * p(y=0) vs p(x | y=1) * p(y=1)
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Write probability of each class as

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- p(y=0 \mid x) = p(y=0, x) / p(x)
- p(y=0, x) / (p(y=0,x) + p(y=1,x))
- = 1 / (1 + exp(-a)) (**)
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- a = log [p(x|y=0) p(y=0) / p(x|y=1) p(y=1)]
- (**) called the logistic function, or logistic sigmoid.

Gaussian models

Return to Gaussian models with equal covariances

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$$0 \leq \log \frac{p(x|y=0)}{p(x|y=1)} \frac{p(y=0)}{p(y=1)} = (\mu_0 - \mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1} x + constants$$
(**)

Now we also know that the probability of each class is given by: $p(y=0 \mid x) = Logistic(**) = Logistic(a^T x + b)$

We'll see this form again soon...