

## Announcements

Quiz : Wednesday (linear algebra, optimization, probability)

HW2 : will be assigned this week

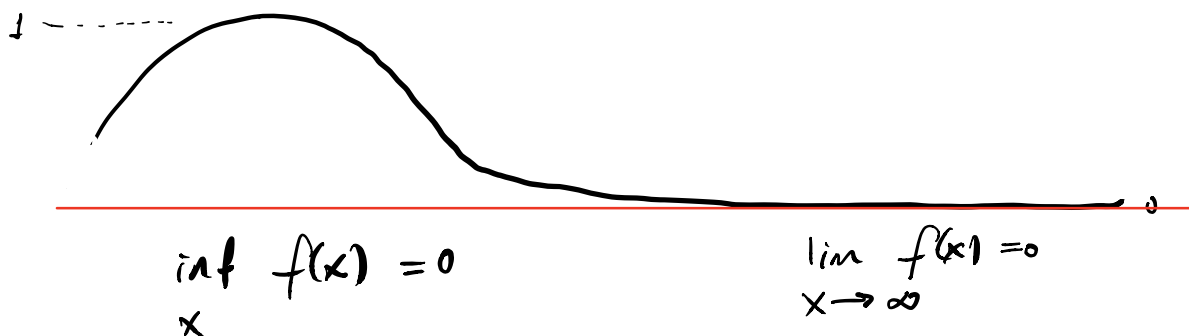
## Outline

Recap Bayesian Classification

Theorem on optimal Bayes classifier

Inf (infimum) : greatest lower bound

Sup (supremum) : least upper bound



Guess the largest number

$X, Y \sim U[0,1]$  indep.

Observe  $X$

Can't predict  $Y$  from  $X$

Can predict  $X > Y$

## Bayes Classifiers

Given  $P_{X,Y}$  joint dist. of  $X, Y$  what is the best classifier possible?

$$f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$$

Performance measure: probability of error (risk)

$$R(f) = P_{XY}(f(X) \neq Y)$$

$R^*$  = Bayes risk *smallest risk of any classifier*

$$\pi_k = P_Y(Y=k) \quad \text{prior class probability}$$

$$g_k(x) \quad \text{pmf / pdf of } X|Y=k$$

$$\text{Define } \eta_k(x) \triangleq P_{Y|X=x}(Y=k|X=x)$$

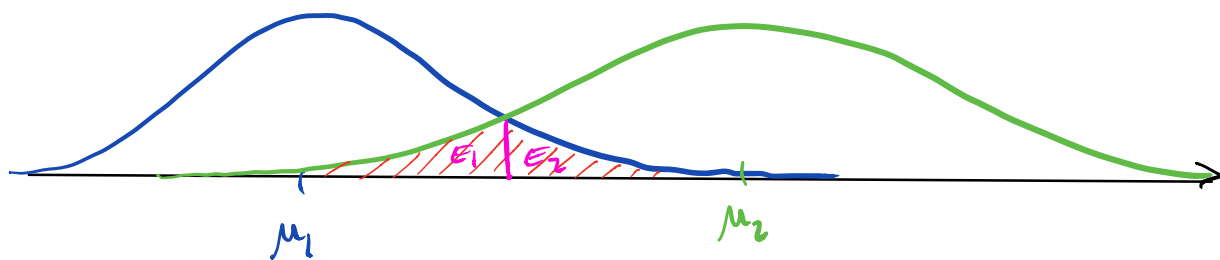
posterior class probability

$$\forall x : \sum_{k=1}^K \eta_k(x) = 1$$

Example: Suppose  $X|Y$  is Gaussian.  $Y \in \{-1, +1\}$

$$X|Y=-1 \sim N(\mu_-, \sigma_-^2)$$

$$X|Y=+1 \sim N(\mu_+, \sigma_+^2)$$



The error prob. is  $R(f) = P_{XY}(f(X) \neq Y)$

Bayes decision function:  $f^*(x) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \eta_1(x) > \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 assuming classes are equally likely

$$\eta_1(x) = P(Y=1 | X=x) \quad \text{posterior +1 class probability}$$

$$= \frac{P(X=x | Y=1) \cdot P(Y=1)}{P(X=x)} \quad (\text{Bayes Rule})$$

Theorem 1  $f^*(x) = \arg \max_{k=1, \dots, K} \eta_k(x)$

$$= \arg \max_{k=1, \dots, K} \pi_k \cdot g_k(x)$$

is a Bayes classifier.

Proof: Assume  $X | Y=k$  is continuous. Let  $f$  be an arbitrary classifier

$$\text{Decision Region: } \Gamma_k(f) = \{x \mid f(x)=k\}$$

$$1 - R(f) = P_{XY}(f(X) = Y) \quad (\text{prob. of correct classification})$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \cdot \int_{\Gamma_k(f)} g_k(x) dx$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g_k(x) \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\{x \in \Gamma_k(f)\}} dx$$

$$\int \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\{x \in \Gamma_k(f)\}} dx$$

1 if  $x \in \Gamma_k(f)$   
 0 if  $x \notin \Gamma_k(f)$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k g_k(x) \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{x \in \Gamma_k(f)\}} dx$$

$\Gamma_1(f), \dots, \Gamma_K(f)$  forms a partition of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , i.e.,  
 $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  belongs to only one  $\Gamma_k(f)$ .

to maximize  $(-R(f))$  choose

$$x \in \Gamma_k(f) \Leftrightarrow \pi_k g_k(x) \text{ is maximal.}$$

$$\text{Bayes classifier } f^*(x) = \arg \max_k \pi_k g_k(x)$$

$$\text{Bayes Rule implies: } \eta_k(x) = \frac{\pi_k g_k(x)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l g_l(x)} \rightarrow \text{independent of } k. \quad \square$$

$$\max_{\Omega_1, \Omega_2} \int f_1(x) \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{x \in \Omega_1\}} dx + \int f_2(x) \cdot \mathbb{1}_{\{x \in \Omega_2\}} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_1^* = \{x \mid f_1(x) \geq f_2(x)\}$$

## Nearest Neighbor Classification (NN)

Consider Binary classification problem

$$(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n) \quad \text{where } x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_i \in \{-1, +1\}$$

$x_i, y_i$  realizations of random pair  $X, Y$

Given an unlabeled point  $x$ .

NN classifier: Assign  $x$  the same label as the closest training point  $x_i$  to  $x$ .

Nearest Neighbor

NN rule defines a partitioning of the feature space  
Voronoi cells.

