

HW2

(1) [20 points] Bayesian Chicken Farmer

Probabilities:

$$P(\omega_{Healthy}) = 0.99, \quad P(\omega_{Sick}) = 0.01$$

$$P(t_{Normal} | \omega_{Healthy}) = 0.99, \quad P(t_{High} | \omega_{Healthy}) = 0.01$$

$$P(t_{High} | \omega_{Sick}) = 0.99, \quad P(t_{Normal} | \omega_{Sick}) = 0.01$$

The Cost Table: $\lambda(a|\omega)$

State ω Action a	healthy	sick
	healthy	sick
sell	-\$1	\$500
kill	\$0.5	\$0.5

(1.1) [10 points] Compute the total risks of the following three decision functions

1. Sell regardless of t : $f_1(t) = \text{sell}$
2. Kill regardless of t : $f_2(t) = \text{kill}$
3. $f_3(t_{Normal}) = \text{sell}$, $f_3(t_{High}) = \text{kill}$

(1.2) [10 points] Assuming you are a policy maker and the above f_3 is chosen, to allow this industry to be profitable, what is the upper limit of $\lambda(a=\text{sell} | \omega=\text{sick})$ if the rest costs remain the same? Explain your choice.

(2) [20 points] Consider the following decision rule for a two-category one-dimensional problem: Classify \vec{x} into class 1 if $x > \tau_0$; otherwise classify x into class 2.

(2.1) [5 points] Show that the probability of error for this rule is given by:

$$P(\text{error}) = P(\omega_1) \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_0} p(x|\omega_1) dx + P(\omega_2) \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} p(x|\omega_2) dx$$

(2.2) [10 points] Show that a necessary condition to minimize $P(\text{error})$ is that τ_0 satisfies:

$$P(\omega_1)p(\tau_0|\omega_1) = p(\tau_0|\omega_2)P(\omega_2)$$

(2.3) [5 points] Give an example where a value of τ_0 satisfying the condition defined in (2.2) actually maximizes $P(\text{error})$.

(3) [40 points] In many pattern classification problems, one has the option either to assign the pattern to one of c classes, or to reject it as being unrecognizable. Let

$$\lambda(a_i|\omega_j) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = j; 1 \leq i, j \leq c \\ \lambda_0 & \text{reject} \\ \lambda_s & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(3.1) [10 points] Show the minimal risk is obtained if we classify x into the i -th class if $P(\omega_i|x) \geq P(\omega_j|x)$ for all j and if $P(\omega_i|x) \geq 1 - \lambda_0/\lambda_s$, and reject otherwise.

(3.2) [15 points] Show the following discriminant functions are optimal for such problems:

$$g_i(x) = \begin{cases} p(x|\omega_i)P(\omega_i) & i = 1, \dots, c \\ \frac{\lambda_s - \lambda_r}{\lambda_s} \sum_{j=1}^c p(x|\omega_j)P(\omega_j) & \text{reject} \end{cases}$$

(3.3) [5 points] What happens if $\lambda_r = 0$?

(3.4) [5 points] What happen if $\lambda_0 > \lambda_s$?

(3.5) [5 points] Describe qualitatively what happens as λ_0/λ_s is increase from 0 to 1.

(4) [20 points] Calculate the entropy of the following distribution

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(4.1) [10 points] $p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{1/2} \sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right]$

(4.2) [10 points] $p(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Lambda|^{1/2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu})^T \Lambda^{-1} (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}) \right]$