## "Machine Learning and Computational Statistics"

## 7<sup>th</sup> Homework

## Exercise 1:

Consider the following data stemming from a two-dimensional normal distribution  $p(x_1,x_2)^{\sim}N(\mu,\Sigma)$ 

X={(3.2, 2.9), (2.4, 6.0), (0.70, 4.3), (1.9, 3.5), (2.2, 4.8), (1.2, 2.1), (1.5, 2.1), (2.6, 4.8), (4.2, 7.5), (-1.5, 3.5)}

- (a) Estimate the mean and the covariance matrix of  $p(x_1,x_2)$  (use the ML method).
- (b) Consider the one-dimensional normal pdfs  $p_1(x_1)$ ,  $p_2(x_2)$ , modeling the features  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , respectively. Do you believe that the independence assumption (i.e.  $p(x_1,x_2)=p_1(x_1)$ ,  $p_2(x_2)$ ) is valid in this case? Explain **very briefly**.

## **Exercise 2 (python code + text):**

Consider a two-class, two-dimensional classification problem for which you can find attached two sets: one for training and one for testing (file HW6.mat). Each of these sets consists of pairs of the form  $(y_i,x_i)$ , where  $y_i$  is the class label for vector  $x_i$ . Let  $N_{train}$  and  $N_{test}$  denote the number of training and test sets, respectively. The data are given via the following arrays/matrices:

- $\rightarrow$  train\_x (a  $N_{train}$  x2 matrix that contains in its rows the training vectors  $x_i$ )
- $\succ$  train\_y (a  $N_{train}$ -dim. column vector containing the class labels (1 or 2) of the corresponding training vectors  $x_i$  included in train\_x).
- $\triangleright$  test\_x (a  $N_{test}$ x2 matrix that contains in its rows the test vectors  $x_i$ )
- $\succ$  test\_y (a  $N_{test}$ -dim. column vector containing the class labels (1 or 2) of the corresponding test vectors  $x_i$  included in test\_x).

Assume that the two classes,  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are modeled by normal distributions.

- (a) Adopt the Bayes classifier.
  - i. Use the training set to **estimate**  $P(\omega_1)$ ,  $P(\omega_2)$ ,  $p(x|\omega_1)$ ,  $p(x|\omega_2)$  (Since  $p(x|\omega_j)$  is modeled a normal distribution, it is completely identified by  $\mu_j$  and  $\Sigma_j$ . Use the **ML estimates** for them as given in the lecture slides).
- ii. Classify the points x<sub>i</sub> of the test set, using the Bayes classifier (for each point apply the Bayes classification rule and keep the class labels, to an a N<sub>test</sub>—dim. column vector, called Btest\_y containing the estimated class labels (1 or 2) of the corresponding test vectors x<sub>i</sub> included in test\_x.).
- iii. Estimate the error classification probability ((1) **compare** *test\_y* and *Btest\_y*, (2) **count** the positions where both of them have the same class label and (3) **divide** with the total number of test vectors).

- (b) Adopt the naïve Bayes classifier.
  - i. Use the training set to estimate  $P(\omega_1)$ ,  $P(\omega_2)$ ,  $p(x_1|\omega_1)$ ,  $p(x_2|\omega_1)$ ,  $p(x_1|\omega_2)$ ,  $p(x_2|\omega_2)$  (Each  $p(x|\omega_j)$  is written as  $p(x|\omega_j) = p(x_1|\omega_j)^*$   $p(x_2|\omega_j)$ . Use the **ML estimates** of the mean and variance for each one of the 1-dim. pdfs).
- ii. Classify the points  $x_i = [x_{i1}, x_{i2}]^T$  of the test set, using the naïve Bayes classifier (Estimate  $p(x|\omega_j)$  with  $p(x_{i1}|\omega_j)^* p(x_{i2}|\omega_j)$  and then apply the Bayes rule. Keep the class labels, to an a  $N_{test}$ —dim. column **vector**, called  $NBtest\_y$  containing the **estimated class labels** (1 or 2) of the corresponding test vectors  $x_i$  included in  $test\_x$ )
- iii. Estimate the error classification probability (work as in the previous case).
- (c) Adopt the minimum Euclidean distance classifier.
  - i. Estimate the means of the classes.
- ii. Classify the points  $x_i = [x_{i1}, x_{i2}]^T$  of the test set, using the minimum Euclidean distance classifier (Compute the Euclidean distances  $||x-\mu_1||^2$  and  $||x-\mu_2||^2$  and assign x to the class corresponding to the minimum distance. Keep the class labels, to an a  $N_{test}$ —dim. column **vector**, called  $NBtest\_y$  containing the **estimated class labels** (1 or 2) of the corresponding test vectors  $x_i$  included in  $test\_x$ )
- iii. Estimate the error classification probability (work as in case (a)).
- (d) For each classifier, depict graphically the training set, using different colors for points from different classes.
- (e) Report the classification results obtained by the three classifiers and comment on them. Under what conditions, the classifiers would exhibit the same performance?

**Hint:** After downloading the attached MATLAB file, use the following python code to retrieve the above mentioned matrices and vectors:

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import scipy.io as sio

Dataset = sio.loadmat('HW6.mat')

train_x = Dataset['train_x']
train_y = Dataset['train_y']
test_x = Dataset['test_x']
test_y = Dataset['test_y']
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