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Machine Learning

Graded Exercise: IN2064 / Retake Date: Thursday 1st April, 2021

Examiner: Prof. Dr. Stephan Günnemann **Time:** 16:30 – 18:30

Working instructions

- This graded exercise consists of pages with a total of 31 problems.
 Please make sure now that you received a complete copy of the answer sheet.
- The total amount of achievable credits in this graded exercise is 108 credits.
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- · For problems that say "Prove" you only get points if you provide a valid mathematical proof.
- If a problem does not say "Justify your answer" or "Prove" it's sufficient to only provide the correct answer.
- Instructor announcements and clarifications will be posted on Piazza with email notifications.
- Exercise duration 120 minutes.

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Problem 1 (Version A) (4 credits)

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Problem 2 (Version A) (5 credits)

a)

Bagging at feature level.

b)

There are many valid solutions. One solution is $\mathcal{D} = \{([a,b],0),([a,b],1)\}$, where we have two instances with exactly the same features $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{x}_2 = [a,b] \in \mathbb{R}^2$ for any constants a,b, but different labels, $y_1 \neq y_2$. No matter what the split is, both instances will end up in the same leaf and the purity will not change.

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Another solution is to write down the XOR dataset.

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Problem 2 (Version C) (5 credits)

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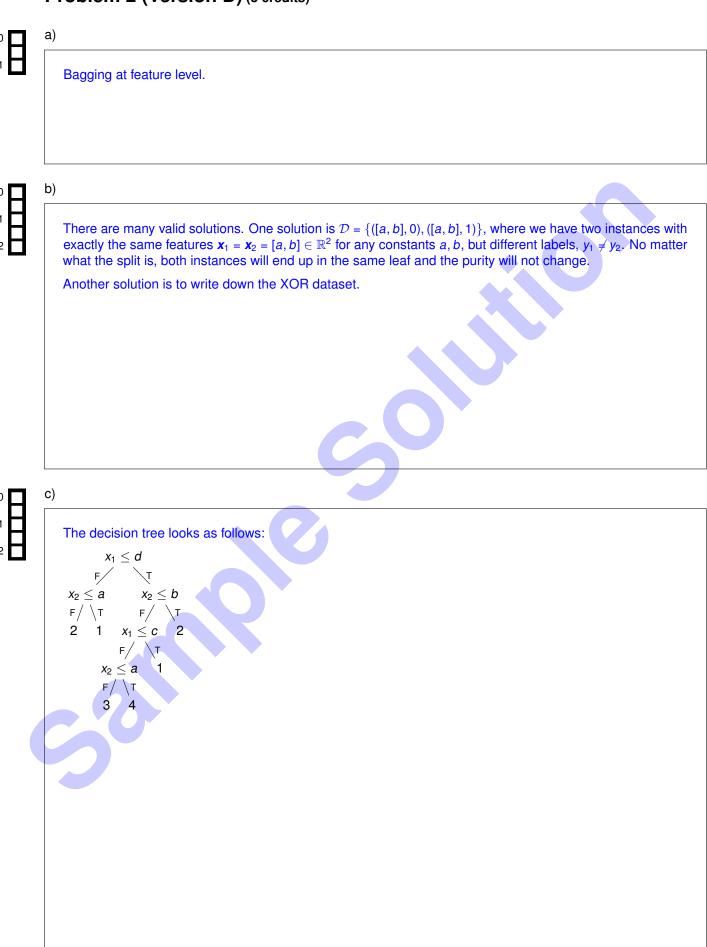
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Problem 2 (Version D) (5 credits)



Problem 3 (Version A) (2 credits)

f is linear in the parameters $\mathbf{w} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \end{pmatrix}^T$ which becomes more apparent if we rewrite it as

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{T}} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\mathbf{x}_2) \\ \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{x} \|_1 \\ -\mathbf{x}_1^2 \mathbf{x}_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In this form, the problem is linear in the parameters. We define a feature transformation

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\mathbf{x}_2) \\ \frac{1}{2} || \mathbf{x} ||_1 \\ -\mathbf{x}_1^2 \mathbf{x}_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

and can now write the problem in the usual linear regression form

$$y = \Phi w$$

where $\mathbf{y}_i = y_i$ and $\mathbf{\Phi}_{i,:} = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i)^T$. Then we can apply the closed form for ordinary least squares and get

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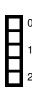
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Problem 4 (Version A) (6 credits)



a)

A weight \mathbf{w}^* on \mathcal{D} is equivalent to a weight $\mathbf{w}^{*,\alpha} = \mathbf{w}^*/\alpha$ on \mathcal{D}_{α} and vice versa. The norm of \mathbf{w}^* will stay finite because the dataset is not linearly separable. Therefore, the two classifiers will reach the same log-likelihood and for the optimal weights it holds that $\mathbf{w}^{*,\alpha} = \mathbf{w}^*/\alpha$. So for any \mathbf{x}_{test} with $\mathbf{w}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\text{test}} = 0$ (i.e. on the decision boundary for a classifier with threshold 0.5), we will have s = t.

A logistic regression model is

$$f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{w}) = \sigma(\mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{w})$$

and the sigmoid function is strictly monotonic, meaning that $\mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w} < \mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w}' \Rightarrow \sigma(\mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w}) < \sigma(\mathbf{x}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w}')$. Because of $\alpha > 1$, we have

$$|\mathbf{w}^{*,\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\text{test}}| = \alpha^{-1} |\mathbf{w}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\text{test}}| < |\mathbf{w}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}_{\text{test}}|.$$

So we can have both s < t and s > t depending on the sign of $\mathbf{w}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}_{test}$.



b)

In the unregularized setting, the MLE will have infinite norm. But with a weight vector \mathbf{w} of infinite norm $\|\mathbf{w}\| = \infty$, the model $f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{w})$ will only take on three values: 0 or 1 if \mathbf{x} is on either side of the hyperplane defined by \mathbf{w} or $\frac{1}{2}$ if \mathbf{x} is exactly on the hyper plane. Therefore any \mathbf{w} such that the mapping $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}$ linearly separates the data are equivalent. Because in this setup class 1 is truly contained in the first quadrant and class 0 in the third, any hyperplane that separates the two achieves the same log-likelihood, so the optimal \mathbf{w} is not unique.



c)

$$\mathbf{w}^{*,a} = \begin{pmatrix} \infty \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mathbf{w}^{*,b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \infty \end{pmatrix}$.

As explained in the previous problem, any hyperplane that separates the two quadrants will work and so we can choose the y and x axes. A differently classified test point is

$$\mathbf{x}_{\text{test}} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

because

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Problem 4 (Version B) (6 credits)

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Problem 5 (Version B) (3 credits)

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We can also replace x @ y with np.dot(x, y) or x.dot(y).
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b)

The gradients w.r.t. \boldsymbol{x} and \boldsymbol{y} are

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}} \log(1 + \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y})) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y})} \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}) \boldsymbol{y}^{T}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{y}} \log(1 + \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y})) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y})} \exp(\boldsymbol{x}^{T} \boldsymbol{y}) \boldsymbol{x}^{T}$$

We can implement these computations in Numpy as

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s = np.exp(x @ y) / (1 + np.exp(x @ y))
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Problem 6 (Version B) (3 credits)

a)

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Option 1:
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Option 2:
out = np.log(np.expm1(x @ y))

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- 2. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = c \cdot k_1(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$, with c > 0
- 3. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = k_1(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \cdot k_2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$
- **4.** $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = k_3(\phi(\mathbf{x}_1), \phi(\mathbf{x}_2))$, with the kernel k_3 on $\mathcal{X}' \subset \mathbb{R}^M$ and $\phi : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{X}'$
- 5. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \mathbf{x}_1^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_2$, with $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N$ symmetric and positive semidefinite
- 6. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \exp(k_6(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2))$

 $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \sigma^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \right)$ is a kernel by rule (2), iff $\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \right)$ is. Now let us rearrange the given equation:

$$\begin{split} -\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{x}_{1}-\boldsymbol{x}_{2})^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}_{1}-\boldsymbol{x}_{2}) &= -\frac{1}{2}[\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{1}-\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{2}-\boldsymbol{x}_{2}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{1}+\boldsymbol{x}_{2}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{2}] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{1}+\boldsymbol{x}_{1}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{2}-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_{2}^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_{2} \end{split}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{x}_1-\boldsymbol{x}_2)^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}_1-\boldsymbol{x}_2)\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_1^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_1\right)\exp\left(\boldsymbol{x}_1^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_2\right)\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_2^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_2\right)$$

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$$\mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{b}$$

Since Σ is PSD (i.e $\boldsymbol{b}^{\top}\Sigma\boldsymbol{b} > 0$, $\forall \boldsymbol{b} \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}$), then so is Σ^{-1} (i.e $\boldsymbol{a}^{\top}\Sigma^{-1}\boldsymbol{a} > 0$, $\forall \boldsymbol{a} \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}$).

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- 3. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = k_1(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \cdot k_2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$
- **4.** $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = k_3(\phi(\mathbf{x}_1), \phi(\mathbf{x}_2))$, with the kernel k_3 on $\mathcal{X}' \subseteq \mathbb{R}^M$ and $\phi : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{X}'$
- 5. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \mathbf{x}_1^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_2$, with $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N$ symmetric and positive semidefinite
- 6. $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \exp(k_6(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2))$

 $k(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \sigma^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \right)$ is a kernel by rule (2), iff $\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2) \right)$ is. Now let us rearrange the given equation:

$$-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_{1} - \mathbf{x}_{2})^{\top} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{1} - \mathbf{x}_{2}) = -\frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{x}_{1}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{1} - \mathbf{x}_{1}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2} - \mathbf{x}_{2}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{1} + \mathbf{x}_{2}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2}]$$

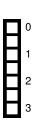
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{1}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{1} + \mathbf{x}_{1}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_{2}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x}_{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{x}_1-\boldsymbol{x}_2)^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{x}_1-\boldsymbol{x}_2)\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_1^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_1\right)\exp\left(\boldsymbol{x}_1^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_2\right)\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}_2^{\top}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}\boldsymbol{x}_2\right)$$

 $\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \textbf{\textit{x}}_1^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \textbf{\textit{x}}_1\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \textbf{\textit{x}}_2^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \textbf{\textit{x}}_2\right)$ is a kernel by rule (4) with $\phi(\textbf{\textit{x}}) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \textbf{\textit{x}}^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \textbf{\textit{x}})$. $\exp(\textbf{\textit{x}}_1^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} \textbf{\textit{x}}_2)$ is a kernel by rules (5) and rule (6) if Σ^{-1} is PSD. We know that $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$ is invertible and positive semi-definite. We define $\textbf{\textit{a}} = \Sigma \textbf{\textit{b}}$ and write:

$$\mathbf{a}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{b}$$

Since Σ is PSD (i.e $\mathbf{b}^{\top}\Sigma\mathbf{b} > 0$, $\forall \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus \{0\}$), then so is Σ^{-1} (i.e $\mathbf{a}^{\top}\Sigma^{-1}\mathbf{a} > 0$, $\forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus \{0\}$).



Problem 8 (Version A) (4 credits)



a)

The negative log-likelihood (NLL) is

$$-\log p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{D} \log p(X_{ij}|\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{D} (X_{ij} - a_i b_j)^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{a}\mathbf{b}^T\|_F^2$$

We see that minimizing the NLL is equivalent to minimizing the Frobenius norm of the difference between X and the rank-1 matrix ab^T .

In other words, we are looking for the optimal rank-1 approximation of the matrix \boldsymbol{X} . We know from the lecture that this can be done using the left and right singular vectors of \boldsymbol{X} corresponding to the largest singular value of \boldsymbol{X} . That is, we can set $\boldsymbol{a} = \sqrt{\sigma_1} \boldsymbol{v}_1$ and $\boldsymbol{b} = \sqrt{\sigma_1} \boldsymbol{v}_1$.



b)

No, the solution is not unique. If \mathbf{a}^* and \mathbf{b}^* minimize the negative log-likelihood, then so do $\frac{1}{c}\mathbf{a}^*$ and $c\mathbf{b}^*$ for any scalar $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Problem 9 (Version A) (2 credits)

- (1) and (5) are correct for σ = 2 and σ = 5, respectively.
 - 1. First column is correct.
 - 2. Second column shows a distance instead of similarity.
 - 3. Third column misses one instance in the lower left cluster and it is located at the center instead (2.75, 3.5).
 - 4. Fourth column shows an asymmetrical matrix.
 - 5. Upper row σ = 2, lower row σ = 5.



- (3) and (7) are correct for σ = 5 and σ = 2, respectively.
 - 1. First column shows a distance instead of similarity.
 - 2. Second column misses one instance in the lower left cluster and it is located at the center instead (2.75, 3.5).
 - 3. Third column is correct.
 - 4. Fourth column shows an asymmetrical matrix.
 - 5. Upper row σ = 5, lower row σ = 2.

Problem 9 (Version C) (2 credits)

- (4) and (8) are correct for σ = 5 and σ = 2, respectively.
 - 1. First column misses one instance in the lower left cluster and it is located at the center instead (2.75, 3.5).
 - 2. Second column shows an asymmetrical matrix.
 - 3. Third column shows a distance instead of similarity.
 - 4. Fourth column is correct.
 - 5. Upper row σ = 5, lower row σ = 2.



Problem 9 (Version D) (2 credits)



(2) and (6) are correct for σ = 2 and σ = 5, respectively.

- 1. First column misses one instance in the lower left cluster and it is located at the center instead (2.75, 3.5).
- 2. Second column is correct.
- 3. Third column shows an asymmetrical matrix.
- 4. Fourth column shows a distance instead of similarity.
- 5. Upper row σ = 5, lower row σ = 2.

a)

At the decision boundary we have

$$\|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1\|_2 = \|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2\|_2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2\|_2^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^T (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1) = (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x}^2 - 2\boldsymbol{\mu}_1^T \mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_1^2 = \mathbf{x}^2 - 2\boldsymbol{\mu}_2^T \mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_2^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boldsymbol{\mu}_1^2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2^2 + (2\boldsymbol{\mu}_2 - 2\boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^T \mathbf{x} = 0.$$
(27.1)

We can thus define the decision boundary as the hyperplane $x_0 + \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = 0$ with $x_0 = \mu_1^2 - \mu_2^2$ and $\mathbf{w} = 2\mu_2 - 2\mu_1$.

b)

[This is a full proof, not just the justification students need to give.] At the decision boundary we have

$$\gamma(\mathbf{z}_{i1}) = \gamma(\mathbf{z}_{i2})
\Leftrightarrow \pi_1 \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_i \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1) = \pi_2 \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_i \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_2, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2)
\Leftrightarrow \log \pi_1 - \frac{1}{2} \log((2\pi)^d |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1|) - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) = \log \pi_1 - \frac{1}{2} \log((2\pi)^d |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1|) - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2), \tag{27.2}$$

where we have used monotonicity of the log function. To obtain a linear decision boundary the quadratic term must drop out, i.e.

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{1}^{-1} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{2}^{-1} \mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{x}. \tag{27.3}$$

Since Σ is a covariance matrix and invertible, it must be positive definite. The same holds for its inverse, which must thus have a decomposition $\Sigma^{-1} = V^T V$, where V is invertible as well. Using this, we have

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V}_{1}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V}_{1} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V}_{2}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{V}_{2} \mathbf{x} \quad \forall \mathbf{x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad \|\mathbf{V}_{1} \mathbf{x}\|_{2} = \|\mathbf{V}_{2} \mathbf{x}\|_{2} \quad \forall \mathbf{x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad \|\mathbf{y}\|_{2} = \|\mathbf{V}_{2} \mathbf{V}_{1}^{-1} \mathbf{y}\|_{2} \quad \forall \mathbf{y},$$

$$(27.4)$$

where we have substituted $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{x}$. We can do this due to the full rank (invertibility) of \mathbf{V}_1 . $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{V}_1^{-1}$ must therefore be an isometry with respect to the L_2 norm, i.e. a unitary matrix with $\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}$. Due to invertibility $\mathbf{U} \mathbf{V}_1 = \mathbf{V}_2$ and, finally,

$$\mathbf{\Sigma}_{2}^{-1} = \mathbf{V}_{2}^{T} \mathbf{V}_{2} = \mathbf{V}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{U}^{T} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{V}_{1} = \mathbf{V}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{V}_{1} = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{1}^{-1}. \tag{27.5}$$

The decision boundary is therefore linear if and only if $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2$, which is precisely linear discriminant analysis (LDA).

Problem 11 (Version A) (4 credits)

No. We cannot conclude anything b many highly correlated features that		es not work. There can
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First we compute the predictions *R* to obtain:

ID	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
X A		-1.0 b		2.0 a			0.1 b
R Y	1 1	1 1	1 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 1

We see that 1/3 instances in group a have R = 1 vs. 3/4 instances in group b. Independence is not satisfied.

For group a we have TP=1/1 and FP=0/2. For group b we have TP=2/2 and FP=1/2.

Since only TP matches for both groups, *Equality of Opportunity* is satisfied and *Separation* is not satisfied.



2)

We modify the instance with ID 1, changing the non-sensitive feature from X = 0.5 to X = 1.5. Now the prediction changes from R = 1 to R = 0.

Now we have 0/3 instances with R=1 within its group, vs. 3/4 in the other group so *Independence* is still not satisfied. The TP rate has changed from 1/1 to 0/1 compared to 2/2 in the other group, which means that neither *Equality of Opportunity* nor *Separation* are satisfied.

Problem 11 (Version B) (4 credits)

a)

No. We cannot conclude anything because "Fairness through Unawareness" does not work. There can be many highly correlated features that are proxies of the sensitive attribute.

b)

First we compute the predictions *R* to obtain:

ID	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
X A		-1.0 a	-0.5 a			1.5 b	0.1 a
R Y	1	1	•	0	0	0	1 1

We see that 3/4 instances in group a have R = 1 vs. 1/3 instances in group b. Independence is not satisfied.

For group a we have TP=2/2 and FP=1/2.

For group b we have TP=1/1 and FP=0/2.

Since only TP matches for both groups, Equality of Opportunity is satisfied and Separation is not satisfied.

c)

We modify the instance with ID 1, changing the non-sensitive feature from X = 0.5 to X = 1.5. Now the prediction changes from R = 1 to R = 0.

Now we have 0/3 instances with R=1 within its group, vs. 3/4 in the other group so *Independence* is still not satisfied. The TP rate has changed from 1/1 to 0/1 compared to 2/2 in the other group, which means that neither *Equality of Opportunity* nor *Separation* are satisfied.

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Problem 11 (Version C) (4 credits)

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b)

First we compute the predictions ${\it R}$ to obtain:

ID	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
_	0.5 a	-1.0 b	-0.5 b				0.1 b
R Y	1	1 1	-	0	0	0	1

We see that 1/3 instances in group a have R = 1 vs. 3/4 instances in group b. Independence is not satisfied.

For group a we have TP=1/1 and FP=0/2.

For group b we have TP=2/2 and FP=1/2.

Since only TP matches for both groups, *Equality of Opportunity* is satisfied and *Separation* is not satisfied.



C)

We modify the instance with ID 1, changing the non-sensitive feature from X = 0.5 to X = 1.5. Now the prediction changes from R = 1 to R = 0.

Now we have 0/3 instances with R=1 within its group, vs. 3/4 in the other group so *Independence* is still not satisfied. The TP rate has changed from 1/1 to 0/1 compared to 2/2 in the other group, which means that neither *Equality of Opportunity* nor *Separation* are satisfied.

Problem 11 (Version D) (4 credits)

a)

No. We cannot conclude anything because "Fairness through Unawareness" does not work. There can be many highly correlated features that are proxies of the sensitive attribute.

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b)

First we compute the predictions *R* to obtain:

ID	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
X A	0.5 b	-1.0 a	-0.5 a			1.5 b	0.1 a
R Y	1	1		0 0	0 0	0 0	1

We see that 3/4 instances in group a have R = 1 vs. 1/3 instances in group b. Independence is not satisfied.

For group a we have TP=2/2 and FP=1/2.

For group b we have TP=1/1 and FP=0/2.

Since only TP matches for both groups, Equality of Opportunity is satisfied and Separation is not satisfied.

c)

We modify the instance with ID 1, changing the non-sensitive feature from X = 0.5 to X = 1.5. Now the prediction changes from R = 1 to R = 0.

Now we have 0/3 instances with R=1 within its group, vs. 3/4 in the other group so *Independence* is still not satisfied. The TP rate has changed from 1/1 to 0/1 compared to 2/2 in the other group, which means that neither *Equality of Opportunity* nor *Separation* are satisfied.

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Additional space for solutions-clearly mark the (sub)problem your answers are related to and strike out invalid solutions.

