ECE 271A HW #3 The Cheetah Problem (Continued)

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In [1]:
        import numpy as np
        from scipy.io import loadmat
        m = loadmat('hw3Data/TrainingSamplesDCT_subsets_8.mat')
        p1 = loadmat('hw3Data/Prior 1.mat')
        p2 = loadmat('hw3Data/Prior 2.mat')
        alpha = loadmat('hw3Data/Alpha.mat')
In [2]: BG1,BG2,BG3,BG4 = m['D1 BG'],m['D2 BG'],m['D3 BG'],m['D4 BG']
        FG1,FG2,FG3,FG4 = m['D1_FG'],m['D2_FG'],m['D3_FG'],m['D4_FG']
        w0_1, mu0_FG_1, mu0_BG_1 = p1['w0'], p1['mu0_FG'].T, p1['mu0_BG'].T
        w0_2, mu0_FG_2, mu0_BG_2 = p2['W0'], p2['mu0_FG'].T, p2['mu0_BG'].T
        a = alpha['alpha']
In [3]: BG = [BG1, BG2, BG3, BG4]
        FG = [FG1, FG2, FG3, FG4]
        w0 = [w0 \ 1, w0 \ 2]
        mu0_FG = [mu0_FG_1, mu0_FG_2]
        mu0 BG = [mu0 BG 1, mu0 BG 2]
In [4]: | # define the zigzag transformation
        zig_zag = np.array([[0,1,5,6,14,15,27,28],[2,4,7,13,16,26,29,42],[3,8,12
         ,17,25,30,41,43],
                            [9,11,18,24,31,40,44,53],[10,19,23,32,39,45,52,54],[2
        0,22,33,38,46,51,55,60],
                            [21,34,37,47,50,56,59,61],[35,36,48,49,57,58,62,63]])
         zz_flat = zig_zag.flatten()
        def zig_zag_transform(a):
             result = np.zeros(64)
             for i in range (64):
                 result[zz_flat[i]] = a[i]
             return result
In [5]: | # 2D DCT function
        import scipy.fftpack
        def dct2d(a):
             return scipy.fftpack.dct(scipy.fftpack.dct( a, axis=0, norm='ortho'
         ),axis=1,norm='ortho')
In [6]: im = loadmat('im_double.mat')
         im array = im['img']
        print(im array.shape)
         (255, 270)
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a) Bayesian BDR:

We assume the covariance matrix is known, which is $\Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i)(X_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i)^T$.

In numpy the default coefficient in front of the sample varience is $\frac{1}{N-1}$ so for this problem $\Sigma = \frac{N-1}{N} \sum_{numpy} \sum_{numpy}$

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In [7]: cov_FG,cov_BG = [],[]
    mu_FG,mu_BG = [],[]
    for i in range(len(FG)):
        FG_cov = np.cov(FG[i].T) * (FG[i].shape[0]-1)/(FG[i].shape[0])
        BG_cov = np.cov(BG[i].T) * (BG[i].shape[0]-1)/(BG[i].shape[0])
        FG_mu = np.mean(FG[i],axis = 0)[:,np.newaxis]
        BG_mu = np.mean(BG[i],axis = 0)[:,np.newaxis]
        cov_FG.append(FG_cov)
        cov_BG.append(BG_cov)
        mu_FG.append(FG_mu)
        mu_BG.append(BG_mu)
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For both strategy 1 and strategy 2, μ_0 is given, $\Sigma_{0ii} = \alpha w_i$

Here we want to compute the posterior $P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1)$ given that the prior is $P_{\mu}(\mu) = G(\mu, \mu_0, \Sigma_0)$ and $P_{X|\mu,\Sigma} = G(x, \mu, \Sigma)$.

By Bayes Rule $P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1) \propto P_{\mu}(\mu) * \prod_{i=1}^N P_{X|\mu}(x_i|\mu)$. Here we define C as constant, everything not related to μ will be viewed as constant.

So
$$\log P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1) = -\frac{N}{2}\mu^T\Sigma^{-1}\mu - \frac{1}{2}\mu^T\Sigma^{-1}_0\mu + \mu_0^T\Sigma^{-1}_0\mu + \sum_{i=1}N\mu^T\Sigma^{-1}x_i + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mu^T (N \Sigma^{-1} + \Sigma_0^{-1}) \mu + \mu^T (\Sigma_0^{-1} \mu_0 + \Sigma^{-1} \sum_{i=0} N x_i) + C.$$

One of the mathematical properties of Gaussian is that the product of Gaussian PDF is still a Gaussian PDF. So $P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1)$ must still be a Gaussian.

So
$$\log P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1) = \frac{1}{2}(\mu - A)^T(N\Sigma^{-1} + \Sigma_0^{-1})(\mu - A)$$
 where $A = (N\Sigma^{-1} + \Sigma_0^{-1})^{-1}(\Sigma_0^{-1}\mu_0 + \Sigma^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)$

Given that $P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1) = G(\mu, \mu_1, \Sigma_1)$, we have:

$$\mu_1 = A = (N\Sigma^{-1} + \Sigma_0^{-1})^{-1} (\Sigma_0^{-1} \mu_0 + \Sigma^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i); \quad \Sigma_1 = (N\Sigma^{-1} + \Sigma_0^{-1})^{-1}.$$

By further calculation, we can deduce that:

$$\mu_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} (\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i) + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \mu_0; \quad \Sigma_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \frac{1}{N} \Sigma$$

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from numpy.linalg import inv, det
cov1 FG 1,cov1 FG 2 = [],[]
cov1 BG_1, cov1_BG_2 = [],[]
mu1 FG_1, mu1 FG_2 = [],[]
mu1_BG_1, mu1_BG_2 = [],[]
for i in range(len(FG)):
    for j in range(len(cov0)):
        mu1 FG,mu1 BG = np.zeros(shape = (9,64,1),dtype = 'float'),np.ze
ros(shape = (9,64,1),dtype = 'float')
        cov1_FG,cov1_BG = np.zeros(shape = (9,64,64),dtype = 'float'),np
.zeros(shape = (9,64,64),dtype = 'float')
         for k in range(a.shape[1]):
             cov0 FG, cov0_BG = cov0[j][k], cov0[j][k]
            weight1 FG = cov0 FG.dot(inv(cov0 FG + cov FG[i]/FG[i].shape
[0]))
            weight1_BG = cov0_BG.dot(inv(cov0_BG + cov_BG[i]/BG[i].shape
[0]))
            weight2 FG = (cov FG[i]/FG[i].shape[0]).dot(inv(cov0 FG + co
v_FG[i]/FG[i].shape[0]))
            weight2 BG = (cov BG[i]/BG[i].shape[0]).dot(inv(cov0 BG + co
v_BG[i]/BG[i].shape[0]))
            FG_mu1 = weight1_FG.dot(mu_FG[i]) + weight2_FG.dot(mu0_FG[j
])
            BG_mu1 = weight1_BG.dot(mu_BG[i]) + weight2_BG.dot(mu0_BG[j
])
             FG_cov1 = (cov0_FG.dot(inv(cov0_FG + cov_FG[i]/FG[i].shape[0
]))).dot(cov FG[i]/FG[i].shape[0])
             BG_cov1 = (cov0_BG.dot(inv(cov0_BG + cov_BG[i]/BG[i].shape[0
]))).dot(cov_BG[i]/BG[i].shape[0])
            mu1 FG[k] = mu1 FG[k] + FG mu1
            mu1_BG[k] = mu1_BG[k] + BG_mu1
            cov1_FG[k] = cov1_FG[k] + FG_cov1
            cov1 BG[k] = cov1 BG[k] + BG cov1
        if j == 0:
            cov1_FG_1.append(cov1_FG)
            cov1 BG 1.append(cov1 BG)
            mu1 FG 1.append(mu1 FG)
            mu1_BG_1.append(mu1_BG)
        else:
             cov1_FG_2.append(cov1_FG)
             cov1_BG_2.append(cov1_BG)
            mu1 FG 2.append(mu1 FG)
            mu1 BG 2.append(mu1 BG)
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Next step is to compute the predictive distribution using the posterior distribution of μ .

$$P_{X|T}(x|D_1) = \int_{\mu} P_{X|\mu,\Sigma}(x|\mu,\Sigma) * P_{\mu|T}(\mu|D_1) d\mu = \int_{\mu} G(x,\mu,\Sigma) * G(\mu,\mu_1,\Sigma_1) d\mu = G(x,\mu_1,\Sigma_1 + \Sigma)$$

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In [12]: mul_pred_FG_1,mul_pred_FG_2 = mul_FG_1,mul_FG_2
    mul_pred_BG_1,mul_pred_BG_2 = mul_BG_1,mul_BG_2
    covl_pred_FG_1,covl_pred_FG_2 = [],[]
    covl_pred_BG_1,covl_pred_BG_2 = [],[]
    for i in range(len(FG)):
        FG_1 = covl_FG_1[i] + cov_FG[i]
        FG_2 = covl_FG_2[i] + cov_FG[i]
        BG_1 = covl_BG_1[i] + cov_BG[i]
        BG_2 = covl_BG_2[i] + cov_BG[i]
        covl_pred_FG_1.append(FG_1)
        covl_pred_FG_2.append(FG_2)
        covl_pred_BG_1.append(BG_1)
        covl_pred_BG_2.append(BG_2)
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Maximum Likelihood for the class priors:

$$P_Y(i=1) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N} I(1, Y_t)}{N}$$
 $P_Y(i=0) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N} I(0, Y_t)}{N}$

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In [13]: prior_cheetah,prior_grass = [],[]
for i in range(len(FG)):
    prior_cheetah.append(FG[i].shape[0]/(FG[i].shape[0]+BG[i].shape[0]))
    prior_grass.append(BG[i].shape[0]/(FG[i].shape[0]+BG[i].shape[0]))
    prior_cheetah = np.array(prior_cheetah)
    prior_grass = np.array(prior_grass)
    print(prior_cheetah)
[0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2]
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Bayesian BDR: $i^*(x) = argmax_i(P_{X|T}(x|D_1, i) * P_Y(i))$

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In [14]: import imageio
    error_list_1,error_list_2=[],[]
    # store the test data as a numpy array
    im_test = imageio.imread('../homework1/cheetah_mask.bmp')
    im_test_array = np.array(im_test)
    # convert 255 to 1 for error calculation
    im_test_array = im_test_array / 255
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In [15]: # BDR using Beysian Parameter Estimation using prior 1
         for t in range(len(FG)):
             A list = []
             for k in range(cov1_pred_FG_1[t].shape[0]):
                  cov pred FG inv = inv(cov1 pred FG 1[t][k])
                  cov_pred_BG inv = inv(cov1_pred_BG_1[t][k])
                  cov pred FG det = det(cov1 pred FG 1[t][k])
                  cov pred BG det = det(cov1 pred BG 1[t][k])
                  for i in range(0,len(im_array)-8):
                      for j in range(0,im array.shape[1]-8):
                          FG prob, BG prob = 0,0
                          row start, row end = i, i+8
                          col start, col end = j, j+8
                          block = im_array[row_start:row_end,col_start:col_end]
                          block_dct = dct2d(block).flatten()
                          block dct = zig zag transform(block dct)
                          # foreground
                          temp1 = block_dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1_pred_FG_1[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov pred FG inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov_pred_FG_det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_cheetah[t])
                          FG prob = temp2 + temp3
                          #background
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1 pred BG 1[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_pred_BG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred BG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_grass[t])
                          BG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                          if FG prob >= BG prob:
                              A.append(0)
                          else:
                              A.append(1)
                  A_{\text{matrix}} = \text{np.reshape}(A,(247,262))
                  A matrix padding = np.lib.pad(A matrix, (4,4), 'constant', constant
          _{\rm values} = 0)
                  A list.append(A matrix padding.flatten())
             A_list = np.array(A_list)
             error list Bayesian = []
             for i in range(A list.shape[0]):
                  e = np.absolute(im_test_array.flatten() - A_list[i])
                  prob error = np.sum(e) / (255*270)
                  error list Bayesian.append(prob error)
             error list Bayesian = np.array(error list Bayesian)
             error_list_1.append(error_list_Bayesian)
         error list 1 = np.array(error list 1)
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In [16]: # BDR using Beysian Parameter Estimation using prior 2
         for t in range(len(FG)):
             A_list = []
             for k in range(cov1_pred_FG_2[t].shape[0]):
                  cov_pred_FG_inv = inv(cov1_pred_FG_2[t][k])
                  cov_pred_BG inv = inv(cov1_pred_BG_2[t][k])
                  cov pred FG det = det(cov1 pred FG 2[t][k])
                  cov_pred_BG_det = det(cov1_pred_BG_2[t][k])
                  for i in range(0,len(im_array)-8):
                      for j in range(0,im_array.shape[1]-8):
                          FG prob, BG prob = 0,0
                          row_start,row_end = i,i+8
                          col start, col end = j, j+8
                          block = im_array[row_start:row_end,col_start:col_end]
                          block_dct = dct2d(block).flatten()
                          block dct = zig zag transform(block dct)
                          # foreground
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1 pred FG 2[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov pred FG inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov_pred_FG_det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_cheetah[t])
                          FG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                          #background
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1 pred BG 2[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_pred_BG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred BG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_grass[t])
                          BG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                          if FG prob >= BG prob:
                              A.append(0)
                          else:
                              A.append(1)
                  A_{\text{matrix}} = \text{np.reshape}(A,(247,262))
                  A matrix padding = np.lib.pad(A matrix, (4,4), 'constant', constant
          _{\rm values} = 0)
                  A_list.append(A_matrix_padding.flatten())
             A_list = np.array(A_list)
             error list Bayesian = []
             for i in range(A_list.shape[0]):
                  e = np.absolute(im_test_array.flatten() - A_list[i])
                  prob error = np.sum(e) / (255*270)
                  error list Bayesian.append(prob error)
             error list Bayesian = np.array(error list Bayesian)
             error_list_2.append(error_list_Bayesian)
         error_list_2 = np.array(error_list_2)
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b) Maximum Likelihood BDR:

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ML BDR: i^*(x) = argmax_i P_{X|Y}(x|i;\theta_i^*) P_Y(i), \theta_i^* = argmax_\theta P_{X|Y}(D|i,\theta).
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In [17]: # BDR using ML estimation
         error list ML = []
         for t in range(len(FG)):
             A ML = []
             cov_FG_inv = inv(cov_FG[t])
             cov_BG_inv = inv(cov_BG[t])
             cov_FG_det = det(cov_FG[t])
             cov BG det = det(cov BG[t])
             for i in range(0,len(im_array)-8):
                  for j in range(0,im_array.shape[1]-8):
                      FG prob, BG prob = 0,0
                      row_start,row_end = i,i+8
                      col_start,col_end = j,j+8
                      block = im array[row start:row end,col start:col end]
                      block dct = dct2d(block).flatten()
                      block dct = zig zag transform(block dct)
                      # foreground
                      temp1 = block_dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu_FG[t]
                      temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_FG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                      temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov FG det) - 2 * np.log(prio
         r_cheetah[t])
                      FG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                      #background
                      temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu BG[t]
                      temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_BG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                      temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov_BG_det) - 2 * np.log(prio
         r_grass[t])
                      BG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                      if FG prob >= BG prob:
                          A ML.append(0)
                      else:
                          A_ML.append(1)
             A ML = np.array(A_ML)
             A ML matrix = np.reshape(A_ML,(247,262))
             A ML matrix padding = np.lib.pad(A ML matrix, (4,4), 'constant', consta
         nt values = 0)
             e = np.absolute(im_test_array.flatten() - A ML matrix padding.flatte
         n())
             prob_error = np.sum(e) / (255 * 270)
             error_list_ML.append(np.ones(9) * prob_error)
         error_list_ML = np.array(error_list_ML)
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c) Bayes MAP-BDR:

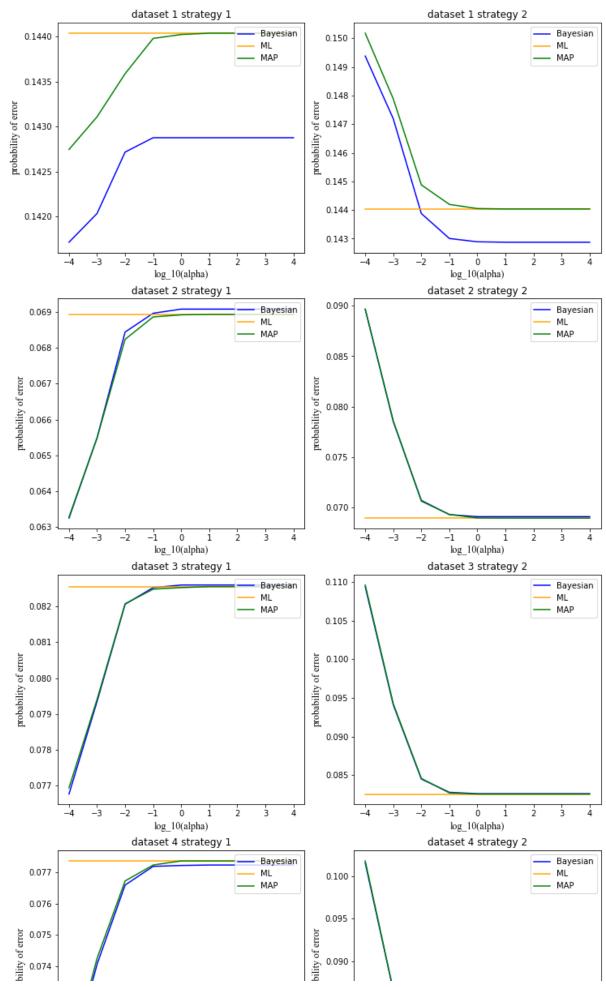
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Bayes MAP BDR: i^*(x) = argmax_i P_{X|Y}(x|i;\theta_i^{MAP}) P_Y(i), \theta_i^{MAP} = argmax_\theta P_{T|Y,\Theta}(D|i,\theta) P_{\Theta|Y}(\theta|i).
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In [18]: error_list_M1,error_list_M2=[],[]
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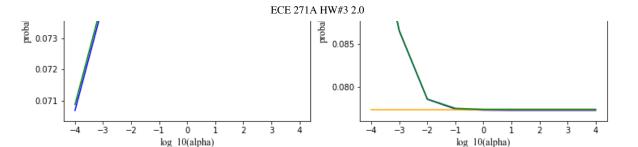
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In [19]: # MAP Approximation with prior 1
         for t in range(len(FG)):
              A MAP = []
              for k in range(mul_pred_FG_1[t].shape[0]):
                  A = []
                  cov pred FG inv = inv(cov FG[t])
                  cov pred BG inv = inv(cov BG[t])
                  cov pred FG det = det(cov FG[t])
                  cov pred BG det = det(cov BG[t])
                  for i in range(0,len(im_array)-8):
                      for j in range(0,im array.shape[1]-8):
                          FG prob, BG prob = 0,0
                          row start, row end = i,i+8
                          col start, col end = j, j+8
                          block = im_array[row_start:row_end,col_start:col_end]
                          block_dct = dct2d(block).flatten()
                          block dct = zig zag transform(block dct)
                          # foreground
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mul pred FG 1[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov pred FG inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred FG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_cheetah[t])
                          FG prob = temp2 + temp3
                          #background
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1 pred BG 1[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_pred_BG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred BG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_grass[t])
                          BG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                          if FG prob >= BG prob:
                              A.append(0)
                          else:
                              A.append(1)
                  A_{\text{matrix}} = \text{np.reshape}(A,(247,262))
                  A matrix padding = np.lib.pad(A matrix, (4,4), 'constant', constant
          _{\rm values} = 0)
                  A MAP.append(A matrix padding.flatten())
              A MAP = np.array(A MAP)
              error list MAP = []
              for i in range(A MAP.shape[0]):
                  e = np.absolute(im_test_array.flatten() - A_MAP[i])
                  prob_error = np.sum(e) / (255*270)
                  error list MAP.append(prob error)
              error_list_MAP = np.array(error_list_MAP)
              error_list_M1.append(error_list_MAP)
         error list M1 = np.array(error list M1)
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In [20]: # MAP Approximation with prior 2
         for t in range(len(FG)):
              A MAP = []
              for k in range(mul_pred_FG_2[t].shape[0]):
                  A = []
                  cov pred FG inv = inv(cov FG[t])
                  cov pred BG inv = inv(cov BG[t])
                  cov pred FG det = det(cov FG[t])
                  cov pred BG det = det(cov BG[t])
                  for i in range(0,len(im_array)-8):
                      for j in range(0,im array.shape[1]-8):
                          FG prob, BG prob = 0.0
                          row start, row end = i,i+8
                          col start, col end = j, j+8
                          block = im_array[row_start:row_end,col_start:col_end]
                          block_dct = dct2d(block).flatten()
                          block dct = zig zag transform(block dct)
                          # foreground
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mul pred FG 2[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov pred FG inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred FG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_cheetah[t])
                          FG prob = temp2 + temp3
                          #background
                          temp1 = block dct[:,np.newaxis] - mu1 pred BG 2[t][k]
                          temp2 = (temp1.T.dot(cov_pred_BG_inv)).dot(temp1)
                          temp3 = np.log((2*np.pi)**64 * cov pred BG det) - 2 * np
          .log(prior_grass[t])
                          BG_prob = temp2 + temp3
                          if FG prob >= BG prob:
                              A.append(0)
                          else:
                              A.append(1)
                  A_{\text{matrix}} = \text{np.reshape}(A,(247,262))
                  A matrix padding = np.lib.pad(A matrix, (4,4), 'constant', constant
          _{\rm values} = 0)
                  A MAP.append(A matrix padding.flatten())
              A MAP = np.array(A MAP)
              error list MAP = []
              for i in range(A MAP.shape[0]):
                  e = np.absolute(im_test_array.flatten() - A_MAP[i])
                  prob_error = np.sum(e) / (255*270)
                  error list MAP.append(prob error)
              error_list_MAP = np.array(error_list_MAP)
              error_list_M2.append(error_list_MAP)
         error list M2 = np.array(error list M2)
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In [22]: | import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         fig=plt.figure(figsize=(12,24))
         title = ['strategy 1','strategy 2']
         for i in range(len(FG)):
             for j in range(2):
                 fig.add_subplot(4,2,(2*i+j)+1)
                 x = np.log10(a.flatten())
                 if j == 0:
                     plt.plot(x,error_list_1[i],label = 'Bayesian',color='blue')
                     plt.plot(x,error_list_ML[i],label = 'ML',color = 'orange')
                     plt.plot(x,error list M1[i],label = 'MAP',color = 'green')
                     plt.title('dataset %d '%(i+1) + title[j])
                 else:
                     plt.plot(x,error_list_2[i],label = 'Bayesian',color='blue')
                     plt.plot(x,error_list_ML[i],label = 'ML',color = 'orange')
                     plt.plot(x,error_list_M2[i],label = 'MAP',color = 'green')
                     plt.title('dataset %d '%(i+1) + title[j])
                 plt.legend(loc='upper right')
                 plt.xlabel('log_10(alpha)', fontdict={'family': 'Times New Roma
         n', 'size'
                     : 12})
                 plt.ylabel('probability of error', fontdict={'family' : 'Times N
         ew Roman', 'size' : 12})
         plt.show()
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d) Explanation of the plottings:

1) Relative behavior of these three curves:

From observation we can see that when α is small, POE calculated by Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR is quite different from the POE calculated by ML BDR; when α gets larger, the difference between the three gets smaller and Bayesian MAP BDR generally converges to ML BDR when α is incredibly large.

Given that
$$\Sigma_{0ii} = \alpha w_i$$
; $\mu_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \hat{\mu} + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \mu_0$; $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \frac{1}{N} \Sigma$

The explanation for the behavior is: When α is really small, the corresoponding Σ_0 will be small. The posterior mean will be mostly contributed by prior(weight 2 is way larger than weight 1). The posterior covariance Σ_1 will be small when α is small. This explains why the Bayesian BDR and ML BDR is quite different at the begining. Since Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR shares the same posterior mean, POE calculated by Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR is closer compared to the difference between ML BDR and Bayesian BDR when α is small.

When α is really large, the weight of $\hat{\mu}$ gets larger. The posterior mean will gradually converge to ML estimate of the mean. Since MAP BDR and ML BDR shares the same covariance matrix, when α gets really large POE calculated by MAP BDR is almost the same as the result calculated by ML BDR. The posterior covariance matrix will will be closer to the covariance matrix of ML estimate. So when α gets larger, POE calculated by Bayesian BDR will generally get closer to the result of ML estimate.

2) How the behavior of three curves changes from dataset to dataset:

From observation we can see that in dataset 1 and dataset 2, the difference between the three curves is generally larger than the difference between the three curves in dataset 3 and 4 when α is large enough ($log_{10}\alpha \geq 1$).

$$\mu_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \hat{\mu} + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \mu_0; \quad \Sigma_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \frac{1}{N} \Sigma$$

The difference between the these four dataset is the number of data samples (N) within each dataset. When N gets larger, the posterior mean will generally converges to $\hat{\mu}$ - the ML estimate of μ if α is large enough. The posterior covariance will be closer to $\frac{1}{N}\Sigma$, which will go to zero if N is sufficiently large when α is large enough. This is why in dataset 3 and dataset 4, the POE calculated by Bayesian BDR and ML BDR when $log_{10}\alpha \geq 1$ is closer compared with dataset 1 and dataset 2 under the same condition.

3) how the behavior changes when strategy 1 is replaced by strategy 2:

From oberservation we can see that there are no differences for ML BDR with strategy 1 and strategy 2. Using strategy 1, the POE calculated by Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR increases when α increases while using strategy 2, POE calculated by Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR decreases when α increases.

$$\mu_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \hat{\mu} + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \mu_0; \qquad \Sigma_1 = \Sigma_0 (\Sigma_0 + \frac{1}{N} \Sigma)^{-1} \frac{1}{N} \Sigma$$

The difference between strategy 1 and strategy 2 is the prior mean (the prior covariace is the same). $\mu_{0,1}$ is smaller for the (darker) cheetah class $\mu_{0,1}=1$ and larger for the (lighter) grass class $\mu_{0,1}=3$. Compared to strategy 2, which is that μ_0 for both cheetah and grass is exactly the same, strategy 1 makes more sense since the it differentiate the foreground from the background. As mentioned previously, when α is small, the prior mean μ_0 weighs more than $\hat{\mu}$. Thus the quality of the prior μ_0 will greatly influence the POE. Thus piror under strategy 1 makes the result of Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR better than ML BDR when α is small while the prior under strategy 2 makes the result of Bayesian BDR and MAP BDR worse than ML BDR. When α gets larger, POE calculated by MAP BDR and Bayesian BDR will generally be closer. This explains the different trends we observed using strategy 1 and strategy 2.

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