

# EECS 545: Machine Learning

## Lecture 5. Classification 2

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## Probabilistic Generative Models

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### Learning the Classifier

- Goal: Learn the distributions  $p(C_k | \mathbf{x})$ .
- (a) **Discriminative** models: Directly model  $p(C_k | \mathbf{x})$  and learn parameters from the training set.
  - Logistic regression
  - Softmax regression
- (b) **Generative** models: Learn joint densities  $p(\mathbf{x}, C_k)$  by learning  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$  and priors  $p(C_k)$ , and then use Bayes rule for predicting the class  $C_k$  given  $\mathbf{x}$ :
  - Gaussian Discriminant Analysis
  - Naive Bayes

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### Probabilistic Generative Models

- Bayes' theorem reduces the classification problem  $p(C_k | \mathbf{x})$  to estimating the distribution of the data:
 
$$p(C_k | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)p(C_k)}{p(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)p(C_k)}{\sum_{k'} p(\mathbf{x} | C_{k'})p(C_{k'})}$$
- Density estimation can be decomposed into learning distributions from training data.
  - $p(C_k)$
  - $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$
- Maximum likelihood estimation for  $p(\mathbf{x}, C_k)$

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### Probabilistic Generative Models

- For two classes, Bayes' theorem says:
 
$$p(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)p(C_1) + p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)p(C_2)}$$
- Use *log odds* (i.e., logit "score"):
 
$$a = \log \frac{p(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{p(C_2 | \mathbf{x})} = \log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)p(C_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)p(C_2)}$$
- Then we can define the posterior via the *sigmoid*:

$$p(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} = \sigma(a)$$

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### Gaussian Discriminant Analysis

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### Gaussian Discriminant Analysis

- Probability of class label
  - $p(C_k)$ : Constant (e.g., Bernoulli)
- Conditional probability of data given a class
  - $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$ : Gaussian distribution

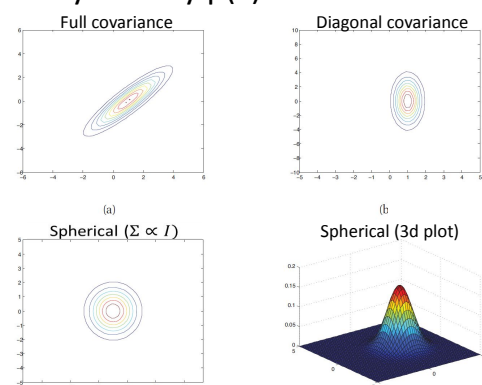
$$p(\mathbf{x} | C_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k) \right\}$$

- Classification: use Bayes rule (previous slide)

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### Examples of Gaussian Distributions

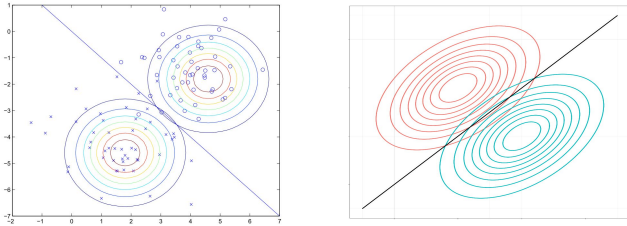
- Probability density  $p(\mathbf{x})$  for 2 dimensional case



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## Gaussian Discriminant Analysis

- Basic GDA assumes the same covariance for all classes
  - The figure below shows class-specific density and decision boundary. Note the linear decision boundary for any types of covariance matrices!



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## Prediction: Class-Conditional Densities

- Suppose we model  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_k)$  as Gaussians with the same covariance matrix.

$$p(\mathbf{x} | C_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k) \right\}$$

- This gives us  $p(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x} + w_0)$

– where  $\mathbf{w} = \Sigma^{-1}(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

$$\text{and } w_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \mu_1^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_2 + \log \frac{p(C_1)}{p(C_2)}$$

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## Derivation

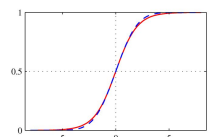
$$\begin{aligned} P(x, C_1) &= P(x | C_1) P(C_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_1)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_1) \right\} P(C_1) \\ P(x, C_2) &= P(x | C_2) P(C_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_2) \right\} P(C_2) \\ \log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{P(C_2 | \mathbf{x})} &= \log \frac{P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})}{1 - P(C_1 | \mathbf{x})} \quad \text{"Log-odds"} \\ &= \log \frac{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1) \right\}}{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_2) \right\}} + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1) \right\} - \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_2) \right\} + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{2} \mu_1^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_2 + \log \frac{P(C_1)}{P(C_2)} \\ &= (\Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2))^\top \mathbf{x} + w_0 \quad \text{where } w_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \mu_1^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_2 + \log \frac{p(C_1)}{p(C_2)} \end{aligned}$$

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## Prediction: Class-Conditional Densities for shared covariances

- $p(C_k | \mathbf{x})$  is a sigmoid function:

$$\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$$



- with log-odds (logit function):

$$a = \log \left( \frac{\sigma}{1 - \sigma} \right) = (\Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2))^\top \mathbf{x} + w_0$$

$$\text{where } w_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \mu_1^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1 + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2^\top \Sigma^{-1} \mu_2 + \log \frac{p(C_1)}{p(C_2)}$$

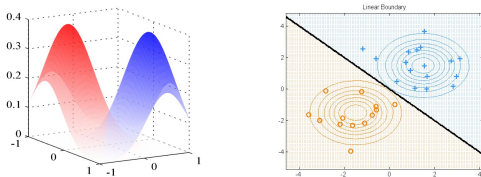
- Generalizes to *normalized exponential*, or *softmax*:

$$p_i = \frac{\exp(q_i)}{\sum_j \exp(q_j)}$$

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## Prediction: Linear Decision Boundaries

- At decision boundary, we have  $p(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = p(C_2 | \mathbf{x})$
- With the same covariance matrices, the boundary  $p(C_1 | \mathbf{x}) = p(C_2 | \mathbf{x})$  is linear.
  - Different class priors  $p(C_1), p(C_2)$  just shift it around.



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## Likelihood function of generative models

- The likelihood of Data  $\{(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(D | \mathbf{w}) &= \prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)} | \mathbf{w}) \longrightarrow P(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{w}) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^N P(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} | y^{(i)}, \mathbf{w}) P(y^{(i)} | \mathbf{w}) \end{aligned}$$

Decomposition of the joint probability

Compact notation: This is called joint likelihood.

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## Learning parameters via maximum likelihood

- Given training data  $\{(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), \dots, (\mathbf{x}^{(N)}, y^{(N)})\}$  and a generative model ("shared covariance")

$$p(y) = \phi^y (1 - \phi)^{1-y}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x} | y = 0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_0)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_0) \right)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x} | y = 1) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1)^\top \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_1) \right)$$

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## Learning via maximum likelihood

- Maximum likelihood estimation (HW2):

$$\phi = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{y^{(i)} = 1\}$$

$$\mu_0 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{y^{(i)} = 0\} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}}{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{y^{(i)} = 0\}}$$

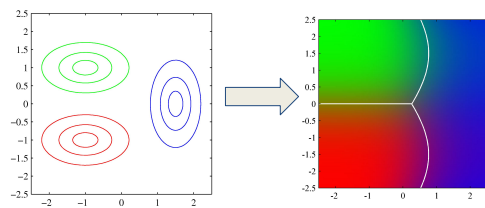
$$\mu_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{y^{(i)} = 1\} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}}{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{I}\{y^{(i)} = 1\}}$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_{y^{(i)}})(\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - \mu_{y^{(i)}})^\top$$

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## Different Covariance

- Decision boundaries between some classes can be quadratic when they have **different** covariances.



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## Comparison between GDA and Logistic regression (or softmax regression)

- Logistic regression:
  - For an  $M$ -dimensional feature space, this model has  $M$  parameters to fit.
- Gaussian Discriminative Analysis
  - $2M$  parameters for the means of  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_1)$  and  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_2)$
  - $M(M+1)/2$  parameters for the shared covariance matrix
- Logistic regression has less parameters and is more flexible about data distribution.
- GDA has a stronger modeling assumption, and works well when the distribution follows the assumption.

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