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Pattren Recognition

#Mini Project1

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Problem 1

Consider Cauchy distributions in a two-class one-dimensional classification problem:

$$P(x|w_i) = \frac{1}{\pi b} \frac{1}{1 + (\frac{x - a_i}{b})^2} i = 1,2 \quad a_2 > a_1$$

- a) By explicit integration, show that the distributions are normalized.
- **b)** Assume $P(w_1) = P(w_2)$, show that $P(w_1|x) = P(w_2|x)$ if $x = (a_2 + a_1)/2$. plot $P(w_1|x)$ and $P(w_2|x)$ on one axis for the case $a_1 = 3, a_2 = 5$ and b = 1.
- c) Show that the minimum probability of error is given by:

P(error) =
$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\pi} tan^{-1} \left| \frac{a_2 - a_1}{2b} \right|$$

- **d)** What is the maximum value of P(error) and under which conditions can this occur?
- e) Design the Bayes minimum error classifier in terms of a_i and b if $P(w_1) = P(w_2)$. Plot the decision boundaries in this case. What is the probability of error?
- f) Design the Bayes minimum risk classifier with the following error weights

$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \lambda_{12} \\ \lambda_{21} & \lambda_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Plot the decision boundaries in this case. What is the probability of error? Compare the result with that of (e).