

## Gaussian Distribution

Sid

$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  - parameterized by mean and variance  
"distributed as"

$$p(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2}$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x^{(i)}, \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x^{(i)} - \mu)^2$$

## Algorithm

Training set:  $\{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(m)}\}$   $x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$p(x) = p(x_1; \mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \times p(x_2; \mu_2, \sigma_2^2) \dots \times p(x_n; \mu_n, \sigma_n^2)$$

$$\hookrightarrow = \prod_{j=1}^n p(x_j; \mu_j, \sigma_j^2)$$

1) Choose features  $x_i$  that may be anomalous examples

2) Fit parameters  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n \mid \sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2$

$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_j^{(i)}$$

$$\sigma_j^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_j^{(i)} - \mu_j)^2$$

3) Given new example  $x \rightarrow$  compute  $p(x)$ :

$$p(x) = \prod_{j=1}^n p(x_j; \mu_j; \sigma_j^2)$$

Anomaly if  $p(x) < \xi$

## Evaluate Learning Algorithm:

- Fit model  $p(x)$  on training set  $\{x^{(1)} \rightarrow x^{(m)}\}$

- On CV example  $x$ , predict:

$$y = \begin{cases} 1 & p(x) < \epsilon \text{ (anomaly)} \\ 0 & p(x) \geq \epsilon \text{ (normal)} \end{cases}$$

- Evaluation metrics:

- Precision / Recall -  $F_1$  score

\* CV test set to choose  $\epsilon$

## Anomaly Detection vs Supervized Learning

- small # of + ( $y=1$ ) examples & large # of - ( $y=0$ ) examples
- many types of anomalies (less predictable)
- large # of + and - examples
- more predictable anomalies

## Choosing Features :

- transformations on feature  $x$ :

•  $\log(x+c)$ ,  $\sqrt{x}$ ,  $x^c$ , ...

- Goal:  $p(x)$  large for normal examples,  
 $p(x)$  small for anomalous examples

## Multivariate Gaussian Distribution

$$\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n, \Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$p(x; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right)$$

- original model: axis-aligned
  - computationally cheaper
  - OK if small  $m$
- Multi: automatically capture correlation between different features of  $x$ 
  - must have  $m > n$
  - more expensive