

MACHINE LEARNING 1: ASSIGNMENT 1

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Exercise 1

a)

$$P(\text{error}) = \int P(\text{error} | x) p(x) dx \quad (1)$$

$$P(\text{error} | x) = \min(P(w_1 | x), P(w_2 | x)) \quad (2)$$

With these equations, we want to show that

$$P(\text{error}) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} p(x) dx \quad (3)$$

At first, without restricting the general case, we assume that $P(w_1 | x) \geq P(w_2 | x)$, that is the function $P(\text{error} | x) = P(w_2 | x)$. Now with (??), (??) and (??) we have:

$$\int P(w_2 | x) p(x) dx \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} p(x) dx$$

Because both sides are integrating over the same variable we can simplify the term to:

$$\begin{aligned} P(w_2 | x) p(x) &\leq \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} p(x) \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{P(w_2 | x) p(x)} &\geq \frac{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}}{2} p(x) \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{P(w_2 | x)} &\geq \frac{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}}{2} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{2}{P(w_2 | x)} &\geq \frac{1}{P(w_1 | x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2 | x)} \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{P(w_2 | x)} &\geq \frac{1}{P(w_1 | x)} \\ \Leftrightarrow P(w_2 | x) &\leq P(w_1 | x) \end{aligned}$$

This holds true with the assumptions we made earlier.

b)

With this result, we now show that:

$$P(\text{error}) \leq \frac{2P(w_1)P(w_2)}{\sqrt{P(w_1)^2 + (4\mu^2 + 2)P(w_1)P(w_2) + P(w_2)^2}}$$

While using the univariate probability distribution:

$$p(x | w_1) = \frac{\pi^{-1}}{1 + (x - \mu)^2} \text{ and } p(x | w_2) = \frac{\pi^{-1}}{1 + (x + \mu)^2}$$

With the rule of bayes we have $P(w_1 | x) = \frac{p(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{p(x)}$:

$$P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} p(x) dx \quad (4)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\frac{p(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{p(x)}} + \frac{1}{\frac{p(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{p(x)}}} p(x) dx \quad (5)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{p(x)}{p(x|w_1)P(w_1)} + \frac{p(x)}{p(x|w_2)P(w_2)}} p(x) dx \quad (6)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{p(x|w_1)P(w_1)} + \frac{1}{p(x|w_2)P(w_2)}} dx \quad (7)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\frac{\pi^{-1}}{1+(x-\mu)^2} P(w_1)} + \frac{1}{\frac{\pi^{-1}}{1+(x+\mu)^2} P(w_2)}} dx \quad (8)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{\frac{\pi^{-1}P(w_1)}{1+(x-\mu)^2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{\pi^{-1}P(w_2)}{1+(x+\mu)^2}}} dx \quad (9)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1+(x-\mu)^2}{\pi^{-1}P(w_1)} + \frac{1+(x+\mu)^2}{\pi^{-1}P(w_2)}} dx \quad (10)$$

$$(11)$$