

Worksheet on “Multivariate Normal and Bayes Classifier”

PRML – CS5691 (Jul–Nov 2023)

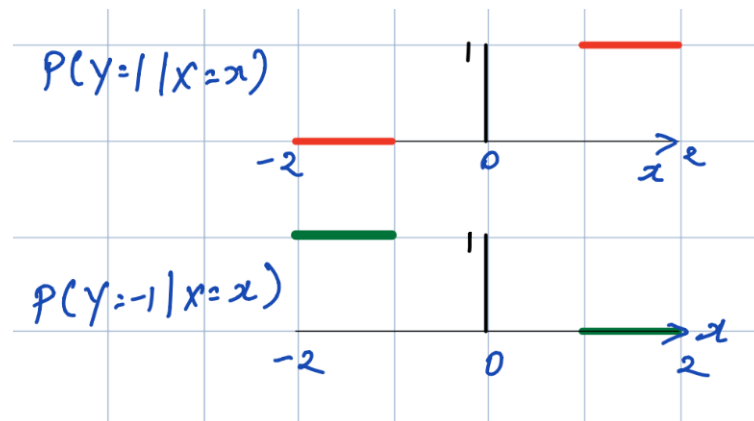
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1. (a) Consider a continuous random variable X and a discrete random variable Y . Let

- $P_Y(Y = 1) = 0.5$ and $P_Y(Y = -1) = 0.5$, and
- $(X|Y = 1) \sim \text{Unif}(1, 2)$ and $(X|Y = -1) \sim \text{Unif}(-2, -1)$.

Draw the plots for $P(Y = 1|X = x)$ and $P(Y = -1|X = x)$ given the above assumptions.

Solution:



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- (b) Consider the following setting:

- $P_Y(Y = 1) = 0.7$ and $P_Y(Y = -1) = 0.3$
 - $(X|Y = 1) \sim \text{Unif}(-1, 3)$ and $(X|Y = -1) \sim \text{Unif}(-2, 0)$
1. Compute $P(Y = 1|X = x)$ for different possible values of x .
 2. Draw the plot for $P(Y = 1|X = x)$.

Solution:

$$\eta(x) = P(Y=1|X=x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x|1) \cdot 0.7}{0.7 f_{X,Y}(x|1) + 0.3 f_{X,Y}(x|-1)}$$

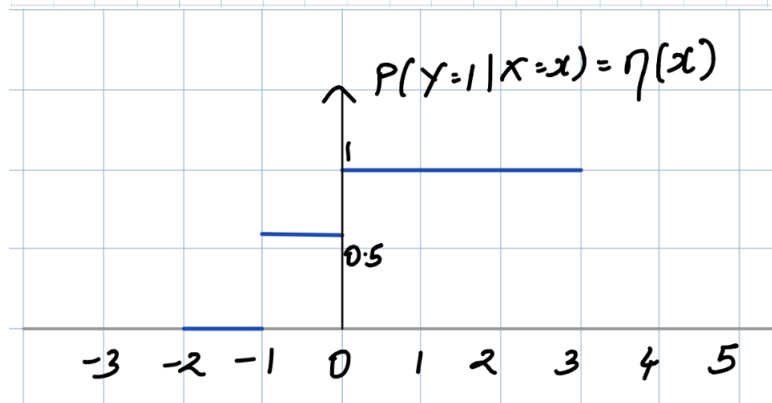
$$\text{Case 1: } x < -2 \Rightarrow \eta(x) = \frac{0}{0} = \text{Doesn't matter}$$

$$\text{Case 2: } x \in [-2, -1) \Rightarrow \eta(x) = \frac{0}{0 + \frac{1}{2}(0.3)} = 0$$

$$\text{Case 3: } x \in [-1, 0) \Rightarrow \eta(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{4} \cdot (0.7)}{\frac{1}{4}(0.7) + \frac{1}{2}(0.3)} =$$

$$\text{Case 4: } x \in [0, 3) \Rightarrow \eta(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{4}(0.7)}{\frac{1}{4}(0.7)} = 1$$

$$\text{Case 5: } x \geq 3 \Rightarrow \eta(x) = \frac{0}{0} = \text{Doesn't matter}$$



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2. In this question, you are required to verify if the following probability mass function over its respective support S follows the following properties:

1. $P(X = x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in S$, and
2. $\sum_{x \in S} P(X = x) = 1$.

In addition, find the expectation, $\mathbb{E}(X)$ and variance, $\text{Var}(X)$ in the following case: A discrete random variable X is said to have a Poisson distribution, with parameter $\lambda > 0$ over the support $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ if it has the following probability mass function:

$$P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

Hint: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a^n}{n!} = e^a$

Solution:

Verifying that for probability mass function, $P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$, follow the following properties:

- 1) $P(X = x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in S$

This statement says that for every element x in the support S , all the probabilities must be positive.

Proof:

Given parameter $\lambda > 0$

$\Rightarrow \lambda^x > 0$ As any power of positive number is positive

As $x \in S$ and $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ So, $x \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow x! \geq 0$

As we know that any e is a constant with a positive value 2.71828.

$\Rightarrow e^{-\lambda} > 0$ As any power of positive number is positive

$\Rightarrow P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \geq 0$ As multiplication and division of 2 positive numbers is positive

Hence, $P(X = x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in S$

$$2) \sum_{x \in S} P(X = x) = 1$$

This statement says that if we add up all the probabilities for all the possible values of x , in the support S , then that sum equals 1.

Proof:

Given $P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}$$

Since We know that, $\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} = e^{\lambda}$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X = x) = e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P(X = x) = 1$$

Hence proved.

Calculating Expectation,

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{x!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!}$$

$$\text{As, } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a^n}{n!} = e^a$$

$$\text{So, } \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} = e^{\lambda}$$

$$\text{Thus, } E(X) = \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = \lambda$$

Calculating variance

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

$$E(X^2) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{x!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} (x-1) \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} + \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-2)!} + \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\lambda \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-2}}{(x-2)!} + \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} \right)$$

Let $y = x - 1$, and $z = x - 2$

$$\text{then, } \Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\lambda \sum_{z=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^z}{z!} + \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} \right)$$

$$\text{As, } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} = e^{\lambda}$$

$$\text{So, } \Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\lambda \sum_{z=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^z}{z!} + \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} \right) = \lambda e^{-\lambda} (\lambda e^{\lambda} + e^{\lambda})$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} (\lambda + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda (\lambda + 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \text{ And, } (E(X))^2 = \lambda^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

3. Consider a multivariate normal $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ where $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & X_2 \end{pmatrix}$, $d = 2$, $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$. Then, the density is defined as: $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)\sqrt{|\Sigma|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu)\right)$.

- (a) If $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\Sigma^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 - \rho^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\rho \\ -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$. What are the legal values for ρ ?

Solution: $-1 < \rho < +1$

- (b) If $\rho = 0.5$ and $X_1 \sim N(0, 1)$, what is the distribution for $X_2 | X_1 = 4$?

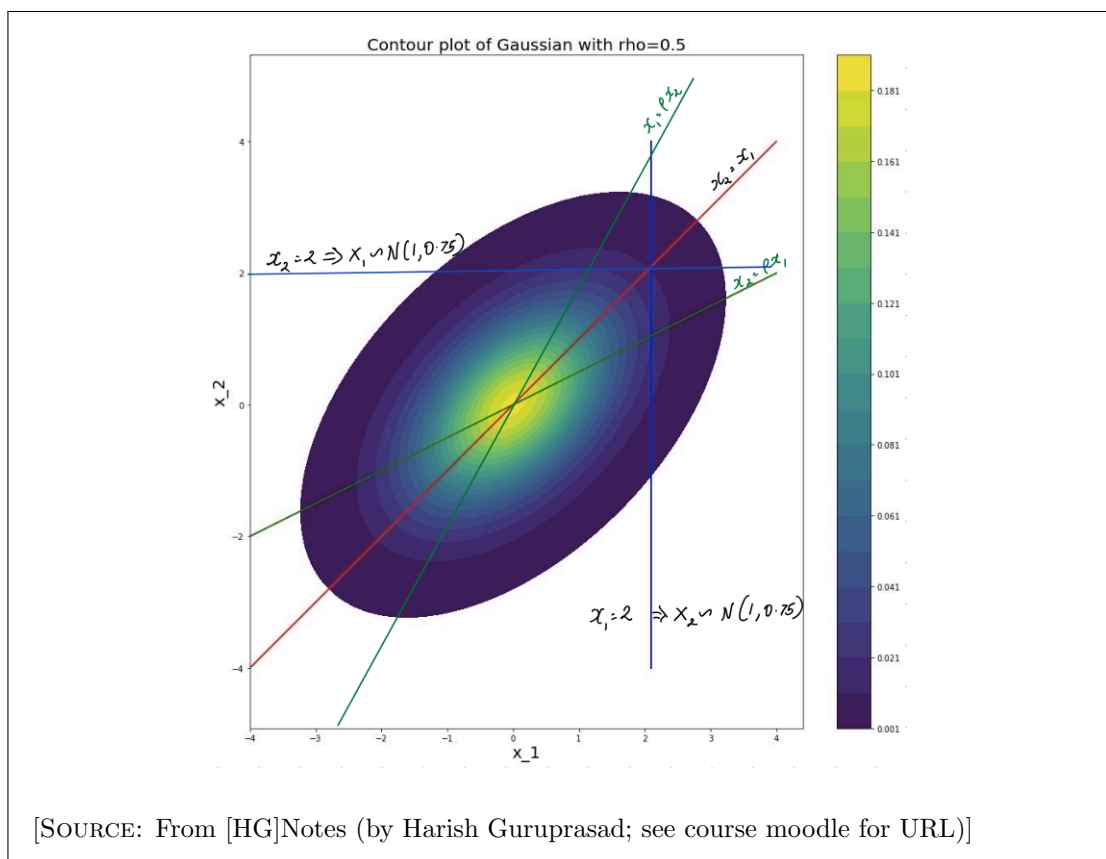
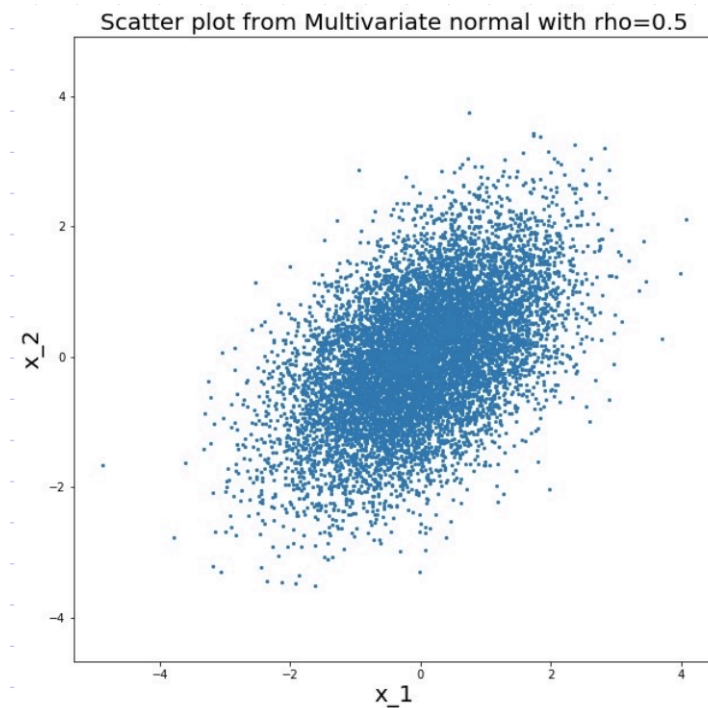
Solution: $X_2 \sim N(\rho x_1, 1 - \rho^2) \Rightarrow X_2 \sim N(2, 0.75)$

- (c) If $\rho = 0.5$ and $X_2 \sim N(0, 1)$, what is the distribution for $X_1 | X_2 = 3$?

Solution: $X_1 \sim N(\rho x_2, 1 - \rho^2) \Rightarrow X_1 \sim N(1.5, 0.75)$

- (d) Consider the following scatter plot from a multivariate normal with $\rho = 0.5$. Draw the corresponding contour plot and mark the lines depicting the means of X_1 and X_2 .

Solution: Green lines are the means for X_1 and X_2 . Ignore other lines.



- (e) If $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, and $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, what is the distribution of $X_2|X_1 = x_1$ and $X_1|X_2 = x_2$?

Solution: $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{ad-bc}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{ad-bc}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{ad-bc} (dx_1^2 + ax_2^2 - (b+c)x_1x_2) \right]$$

Assume $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_X^2 & \rho\sigma_X\sigma_Y \\ \rho\sigma_X\sigma_Y & \sigma_Y^2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Substitute and simplify.