

lecture7-gaussian-discriminant-analysis

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1 Lecture 7: Gaussian Discriminant Analysis

1.0.1 Applied Machine Learning

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2 Announcements

- Assignment 1 is due tonight!
 - Have a look at the clarifications on Canvas Announcements
 - Please submit individually. Write up answers individually, code can be shared across team. Don't need to report who did what.
 - My office hours are after class
- Project proposals will be due by the end of the month
 - You should start forming teams
 - Check out thread on Canvas
 - We will share project ideas
- Use the anonymous Google feedback form to let us know how things are going so far

3 Part 1: Revisiting Generative Models

In the previous lecture, we introduced generative modeling and Naive Bayes.

We will start with a review and a motivating problem.

4 The Iris Flowers Dataset

As a motivating problem for this lecture, we are going to use the Iris flower dataset ([R. A. Fisher, 1936](#)).

Recall that our task is to classify subspecies of Iris flowers based on their measurements.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
from sklearn import datasets
```

```
# Load the Iris dataset
iris = datasets.load_iris(as_frame=True)

# print part of the dataset
iris_X, iris_y = iris.data, iris.target
pd.concat([iris_X, iris_y], axis=1).head()
```

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[1]:   sepal length (cm)  sepal width (cm)  petal length (cm)  petal width (cm)  \
0           5.1           3.5           1.4           0.2
1           4.9           3.0           1.4           0.2
2           4.7           3.2           1.3           0.2
3           4.6           3.1           1.5           0.2
4           5.0           3.6           1.4           0.2

      target
0         0
1         0
2         0
3         0
4         0
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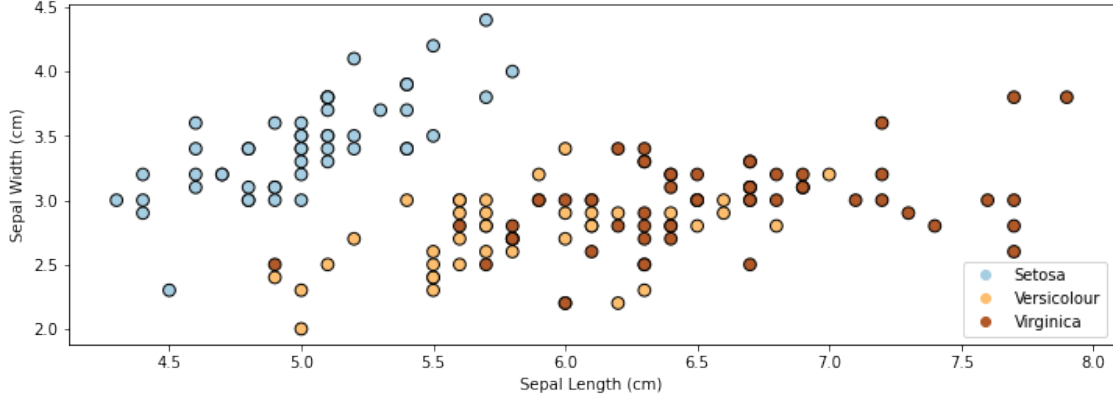
If we only consider the first two feature columns, we can visualize the dataset in 2D.

```
[2]: # https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/neighbors/plot_classification.
      ↪html
      %matplotlib inline
      from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
      plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [12, 4]

      # create 2d version of dataset
      X = iris_X.to_numpy()[ :, :2]
      x_min, x_max = X[:, 0].min() - .5, X[:, 0].max() + .5
      y_min, y_max = X[:, 1].min() - .5, X[:, 1].max() + .5

      # Plot also the training points
      p1 = plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=iris_y, edgecolor='k', s=60, cmap=plt.cm.
      ↪Paired)
      plt.xlabel('Sepal Length (cm)')
      plt.ylabel('Sepal Width (cm)')
      plt.legend(handles=p1.legend_elements()[0], labels=['Setosa', 'Versicolour',
      ↪'Virginica'], loc='lower right')
```

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[2]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x126fe63c8>
```



5 Review: Discriminative Models

Most models we have seen so far have been *discriminative*: * They directly transform x into a score for each class y (e.g., via the formula $y = \sigma(\theta^\top x)$) * They can be interpreted as defining a *conditional* probability $P_\theta(y|x)$

For example, logistic regression is a binary classification algorithm which uses a model

$$f_\theta : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

of the form

$$f_\theta(x) = \sigma(\theta^\top x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\theta^\top x)},$$

where $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$ is the *sigmoid* or *logistic* function.

The logistic model defines (“parameterizes”) a probability distribution $P_\theta(y|x) : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_\theta(y = 1|x) &= \sigma(\theta^\top x) \\ P_\theta(y = 0|x) &= 1 - \sigma(\theta^\top x). \end{aligned}$$

Logistic regression optimizes the following objective defined over a binary classification dataset $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\theta) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(y^{(i)} | x^{(i)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y^{(i)} \cdot \log \sigma(\theta^\top x^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \cdot \log(1 - \sigma(\theta^\top x^{(i)})). \end{aligned}$$

This objective is also often called the log-loss, or cross-entropy.

This asks the model to output a large score $\sigma(\theta^\top x^{(i)})$ (a score that's close to one) if $y^{(i)} = 1$, and a score that's small (close to zero) if $y^{(i)} = 0$.

Let's train logistic/softmax regression on this dataset.

```
[3]: from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [12, 4]
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
logreg = LogisticRegression(C=1e5)

# Create an instance of Logistic Regression Classifier and fit the data.
X = iris_X.to_numpy()[::2]
# rename class two to class one
Y = iris_y.copy()
logreg.fit(X, Y)
```

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[3]: LogisticRegression(C=100000.0)
```

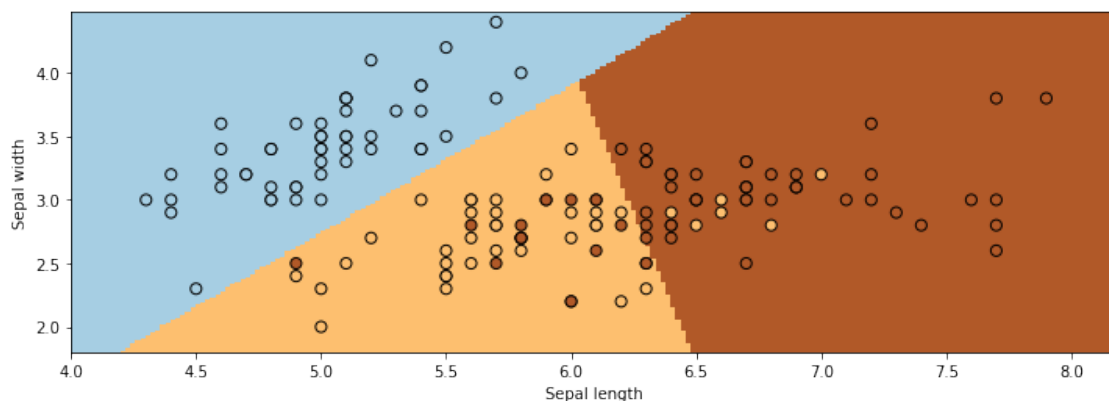
We visualize the regions predicted to be associated with the blue, brown, and yellow classes and the lines between them are the decision boundaries.

```
[4]: xx, yy = np.meshgrid(np.arange(4, 8.2, .02), np.arange(1.8, 4.5, .02))
Z = logreg.predict(np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()])

# Put the result into a color plot
Z = Z.reshape(xx.shape)
plt.pcolormesh(xx, yy, Z, cmap=plt.cm.Paired)

# Plot also the training points
plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=Y, edgecolors='k', cmap=plt.cm.Paired, s=50)
plt.xlabel('Sepal length')
plt.ylabel('Sepal width')

plt.show()
```



6 Review: Maximum Likelihood and OLS

Recall that in ordinary least squares (OLS), we have a linear model of the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^d \theta_j \cdot x_j = \theta^\top x.$$

At each training instance (x, y) , we seek to minimize the squared error

$$(y - \theta^\top x)^2.$$

Let's make our usual linear regression model probabilistic: assume that the targets and the inputs are related by

$$y = \theta^\top x + \epsilon,$$

where $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ is a random noise term that follows a Gaussian (or “Normal”) distribution.

The density of $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ is a Gaussian distribution:

$$P(\epsilon; \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

Plugging $\epsilon = y - \theta^\top x$ into the above, we get that

$$P(y|x; \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(y - \theta^\top x)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

This is a Gaussian distribution with mean $\mu_\theta(x) = \theta^\top x$ and variance σ^2 .

Given an input of x , this model outputs a “mini Bell curve” with width σ around the mean $\mu(x) = \theta^\top x$.

Let's now learn the parameters θ of

$$P(y|x; \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(y - \theta^\top x)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

using maximum likelihood.

The log-likelihood of this model at a point (x, y) equals

$$\log L(\theta) = \log p(y|x; \theta) = \text{const}_1 \cdot (y - \theta^\top x)^2 + \text{const}_2$$

for some constants $\text{const}_1, \text{const}_2$. But that's just the least squares objective!

Least squares thus amounts to fitting a Gaussian model $\mathcal{N}(y; \mu(x), \sigma)$ with a standard deviation σ of one and a mean of $\mu(x) = \theta^\top x$.

7 Review: Generative Models

Another approach to classification is to use *generative* models.

- A generative approach first builds a model of x for each class:

$$P_\theta(x|y = k) \text{ for each class } k.$$

$P_\theta(x|y = k)$ *scores* each x according to how well it matches class k .

- A class probability $P_\theta(y = k)$ encoding our prior beliefs

$$P_\theta(y = k) \text{ for each class } k.$$

These are often just the % of each class in the data.

In the context of Iris flower classification, we would fit three models on a labeled corpus:

$$P_\theta(x|y = 0)$$

$$P_\theta(x|y = 1)$$

$$P_\theta(x|y = 2)$$

We would also define priors $P_\theta(y = 0), P_\theta(y = 1), P_\theta(y = 2)$.

$P_\theta(x|y = k)$ *scores* each x based on how much it looks like class k .

8 Probabilistic Interpretations

A *generative* model defines $P_\theta(x|y)$ and $P_\theta(y)$, thus it also defines a distribution of the form $P_\theta(x, y)$.

$$\underbrace{P_\theta(x, y) : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]}_{\text{generative model}}$$

$$\underbrace{P_\theta(y|x) : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow [0, 1]}_{\text{discriminative model}}$$

Discriminative models don't define any probability over the x 's. Generative models do.

We can learn a generative model $P_\theta(x, y)$ by maximizing the *likelihood*:

$$\max_{\theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}).$$

This says that we should choose parameters θ such that the model P_θ assigns a high probability to each training example $(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)})$ in the dataset \mathcal{D} .

9 Review: Bernoulli Naive Bayes Model

The *Bernoulli Naive Bayes* model $P_\theta(x, y)$ is defined for *binary data* $x \in \{0, 1\}^d$ (e.g., bag-of-words documents).

The θ contains prior parameters $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_K)$ and K sets of per-class parameters $\psi_k = (\psi_{1k}, \dots, \psi_{dk})$.

The probability of the data x for each class equals

$$P_{\theta}(x|y = k) = \prod_{j=1}^d P(x_j | y = k),$$

where each $P_{\theta}(x_j | y = k)$ is a Bernoulli(ψ_{jk}).

The probability over y is Categorical: $P_{\theta}(y = k) = \phi_k$.

10 Advantages of Naive Bayes

Naive Bayes is a very important model in machine learning.

- Usually much easier to train: we have closed form solutions for the optimal parameters!
- Can deal with missing values, noisy inputs, and more!

On many classification tasks, Naive Bayes matches the state-of-the-art.

11 Downsides of Naive Bayes

Fundamentally, the modeling assumptions of Naive Bayes are incorrect: * May generate over- or under-confident predictions * Lower performance when assumptions fail

How do we even apply Naive Bayes to the flower dataset?

$$P(x|y = k) \text{ is undefined when } x \notin \{0, 1\}^d$$

We will look at this problem next.

Part 2: Gaussian Mixture Models

Next, we will define another generative model: Gaussian mixtures.

12 Review: Categorical Distribution

A [Categorical](#) distribution with parameters θ is a probability over K discrete outcomes $x \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$:

$$P_{\theta}(x = j) = \theta_j.$$

When $K = 2$ this is called the [Bernoulli](#).

13 Review: Normal (Gaussian) Distribution

A [multivariate normal](#) distribution $P_{\theta}(x) : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ with parameters $\theta = (\mu, \Sigma)$ is a probability over a d -dimensional $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$P_{\theta}(x; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^d |\Sigma|}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu)^{\top} \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu) \right)$$

In one dimension, this reduces to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$.

This what the density of a Normal distribution looks like in 2D:

This is how we can visualize it in a 2D plane:

14 A Generative Model for Iris Flowers

To define a generative model for Iris flowers, we need to define three probabilities:

$$P_\theta(x|y=0) \qquad P_\theta(x|y=1) \qquad P_\theta(x|y=2)$$

We also define priors $P_\theta(y=0), P_\theta(y=1), P_\theta(y=2)$.

Each model $P_\theta(x|y=k)$ *scores* x based on how much it looks like class k . The inputs x are vectors of features for the flowers.

How do we choose $P_\theta(x|y=k)$?

15 Gaussian Mixture Model

A *Gaussian mixture* model (GMM) $P_\theta(x, y)$ is defined for *real-valued data* $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

The θ contains prior parameters $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_K)$ and K sets of per-class Gaussian parameters μ_k, Σ_k .

The probability of the data x for each class is a multivariate Gaussian

$$P_\theta(x|y=k) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k).$$

The probability over y is Categorical: $P_\theta(y=k) = \phi_k$.

16 Why Mixtures of Distributions?

A single distribution (e.g., a Gaussian) can be too simple to fit the data. We can form more complex distributions by *mixing* K simple ones:

$$P_\theta(x) = \phi_1 P_1(x; \theta_1) + \phi_2 P_2(x; \theta_2) + \dots + \phi_K P_K(x; \theta_K)$$

where the $\phi_k \in [0, 1]$ are the weights of each distribution.

A mixture of K Gaussians is a distribution $P(x)$ of the form:

$$\phi_1 \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_1, \Sigma_1) + \phi_2 \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_2, \Sigma_2) + \dots + \phi_K \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_K, \Sigma_K).$$

Mixtures can express distributions that a single mixture component can't:

Here, we have a mixture of 3 Gaussians.

We can also represent a mixture of distributions by introducing $y \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$ and a distribution over (x, y) of the form

$$P_\theta(x, y) = P_\theta(x|y)P_\theta(y)$$

that has two components: * The distribution $P_\theta(y = k) = \pi_k$ encodes the mixture weights. * The distribution $P_\theta(x|y = k) = P_k(x; \theta_k)$ encodes the k -th mixed distribution.

This is a mixture of distributions because:

$$\begin{aligned} P_\theta(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^K P_\theta(x|y = k)P_\theta(y = k) \\ &= \pi_1 P_1(x; \theta_1) + \pi_2 P_2(x; \theta_2) + \dots + \pi_K P_K(x; \theta_K) \end{aligned}$$

17 GMMs Are Indeed Mixtures

The Gaussian Mixture Model is an example of a mixture of K distributions with mixing weights $\phi_k = P(y = k)$:

$$P_\theta(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K P_\theta(y = k)P_\theta(x|y = k) = \sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

Intuitively, this model defines a story for how the data was generated. To obtain a data point, * First, we sample a class $y \sim \text{Categorical}(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_K)$ with class proportions given by the ϕ_k . * Then, we sample an x from a Gaussian distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mu_k, \Sigma_k)$ specific to that class.

Such a story can be constructed for most generative algorithms and helps understand them.

Mixtures of Gaussians fit more complex distributions than one Gaussian.

Raw data	Single Gaussian	Mixture of Gaussians

18 Predictions Out of Gaussian Mixture Models

Given a trained model $P_\theta(x, z) = P_\theta(x|z)P_\theta(z)$, we can look at the *posterior* probability

$$P_\theta(z = k | x) = \frac{P_\theta(z = k, x)}{P_\theta(x)} = \frac{P_\theta(x|z = k)P_\theta(z = k)}{\sum_{l=1}^K P_\theta(x|z = l)P_\theta(z = l)}$$

of a point x belonging to class k .

Part 3: Gaussian Discriminant Analysis

Next, we will use GMMs as the basis for a new generative classification algorithm, Gaussian Discriminant Analysis (GDA).

19 Review: Gaussian Mixture Model

We may define a model P_θ as follows. This will be the basis of an algorithm called Gaussian Discriminant Analysis. * The distribution over classes is [Categorical](#), denoted $\text{Categorical}(\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_K)$. Thus, $P_\theta(y = k) = \phi_k$. * The conditional probability $P(x | y = k)$ of the data under class k is a [multivariate Gaussian](#) $\mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$ with mean and covariance μ_k, Σ_k .

Thus, $P_\theta(x, y)$ is a mixture of K Gaussians:

$$P_\theta(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^K P_\theta(y = k) P_\theta(x|y = k) = \sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

20 Review: Maximum Likelihood Learning

We can learn a generative model $P_\theta(x, y)$ by maximizing the *maximum likelihood*:

$$\max_{\theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}).$$

This seeks to find parameters θ such that the model assigns high probability to the training data.

Let's use maximum likelihood to fit the Gaussian Discriminant model. Note that model parameters θ are the union of the parameters of each sub-model:

$$\theta = (\mu_1, \Sigma_1, \phi_1, \dots, \mu_K, \Sigma_K, \phi_K).$$

Mathematically, the components of the model $P_\theta(x, y)$ are as follows.

$$P_\theta(y) = \frac{\prod_{k=1}^K \phi_k^{\mathbb{I}\{y=y_k\}}}{\sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k}$$

$$P_\theta(x|y = k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^\top \Sigma_k^{-1} (x - \mu_k)\right)$$

21 Optimizing the Log Likelihood

Given a dataset $\mathcal{D} = \{(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$, we want to optimize the log-likelihood $\ell(\theta)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}) + \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(y^{(i)}) \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i:y^{(i)}=k} \log P(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}; \mu_k, \Sigma_k)}_{\text{all the terms that involve } \mu_k, \Sigma_k} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \log P(y^{(i)}; \vec{\phi})}_{\text{all the terms that involve } \vec{\phi}}. \end{aligned}$$

In equality #2, we use the fact that $P_\theta(x, y) = P_\theta(y)P_\theta(x|y)$; in the third one, we change the order of summation.

Each μ_k, Σ_k for $k = 1, 2, \dots, K$ is found in only the following terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mu_k, \Sigma_k} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}) &= \max_{\mu_k, \Sigma_k} \sum_{l=1}^K \sum_{i:y^{(i)}=l} \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}; \mu_l, \Sigma_l) \\ &= \max_{\mu_k, \Sigma_k} \sum_{i:y^{(i)}=k} \log P_\theta(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}; \mu_k, \Sigma_k). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, optimization over μ_k, Σ_k can be carried out independently of all the other parameters by just looking at these terms.

Similarly, optimizing for $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_K)$ only involves a few terms:

$$\max_{\vec{\phi}} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_{\theta}(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}; \theta) = \max_{\vec{\phi}} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_{\theta}(y^{(i)}; \vec{\phi}).$$

22 Learning the Parameters ϕ

Let's first consider the optimization over $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_K)$.

$$\max_{\vec{\phi}} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_{\theta}(y = y^{(i)}; \vec{\phi}).$$

* We have n datapoints. Each point has a label $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$. * Our model is a categorical and assigns a probability ϕ_k to each outcome $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$. * We want to infer ϕ_k assuming our dataset is sampled from the model.

What are the maximum likelihood ϕ_k that are most likely to have generated our data?

Intuitively, the maximum likelihood class probabilities ϕ should just be the class proportions that we see in the data.

Let's calculate this formally. Our objective $J(\vec{\phi})$ equals

$$\begin{aligned} J(\vec{\phi}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log P_{\theta}(y^{(i)}; \vec{\phi}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \phi_{y^{(i)}} - n \cdot \log \sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i: y^{(i)}=k} \log \phi_k - n \cdot \log \sum_{k=1}^K \phi_k \end{aligned}$$

Taking the derivative and setting it to zero, we obtain

$$\frac{\phi_k}{\sum_l \phi_l} = \frac{n_k}{n}$$

for each k , where $n_k = |\{i : y^{(i)} = k\}|$ is the number of training targets with class k .

Thus, the optimal ϕ_k is just the proportion of data points with class k in the training set!

23 Learning the Parameters μ_k, Σ_k

Next, let's look at the maximum likelihood term

$$\max_{\mu_k, \Sigma_k} \sum_{i: y^{(i)}=k} \log \mathcal{N}(x^{(i)} | \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

over the Gaussian parameters μ_k, Σ_k .

- Our dataset are all the points x for which $y = k$.
- We want to learn the mean and variance μ_k, Σ_k of a normal distribution that generates this data.

What is the maximum likelihood μ_k, Σ_k in this case?

Computing the derivative and setting it to zero, we obtain closed form solutions:

$$\mu_k = \frac{\sum_{i:y^{(i)}=k} x^{(i)}}{n_k}$$

$$\Sigma_k = \frac{\sum_{i:y^{(i)}=k} (x^{(i)} - \mu_k)(x^{(i)} - \mu_k)^\top}{n_k}$$

These are just the empirical means and covariances of each class.

24 Querying the Model

How do we ask the model for predictions? As discussed earlier, we can apply Bayes' rule:

$$\arg \max_y P_\theta(y|x) = \arg \max_y P_\theta(x|y)P(y).$$

Thus, we can estimate the probability of x and under each $P_\theta(x|y = k)P(y = k)$ and choose the class that explains the data best.

25 Algorithm: Gaussian Discriminant Analysis (GDA)

- **Type:** Supervised learning (multi-class classification)
- **Model family:** Mixtures of Gaussians.
- **Objective function:** Log-likelihood.
- **Optimizer:** Closed form solution.

26 Example: Iris Flower Classification

Let's see how this approach can be used in practice on the Iris dataset. * We will learn the maximum likelihood GDA parameters * We will compare the outputs to the true predictions.

Let's first start by computing the true parameters on our dataset.

```
[11]: # we can implement these formulas over the Iris dataset
d = 2 # number of features in our toy dataset
K = 3 # number of classes
n = X.shape[0] # size of the dataset

# these are the shapes of the parameters
mus = np.zeros([K,d])
Sigmas = np.zeros([K,d,d])
phis = np.zeros([K])
```

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# we now compute the parameters
for k in range(3):
    X_k = X[iris_y == k]
    mus[k] = np.mean(X_k, axis=0)
    Sigmas[k] = np.cov(X_k.T)
    phis[k] = X_k.shape[0] / float(n)

# print out the means
print(mus)

```

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[[5.006 3.428]
 [5.936 2.77 ]
 [6.588 2.974]]

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We can compute predictions using Bayes' rule.

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[16]: # we can implement this in numpy
def gda_predictions(x, mus, Sigmas, phis):
    """This returns class assignments and p(y|x) under the GDA model.

    We compute \arg\max_y p(y|x) as \arg\max_y p(x|y)p(y)
    """

    # adjust shapes
    n, d = x.shape
    x = np.reshape(x, (1, n, d, 1))
    mus = np.reshape(mus, (K, 1, d, 1))
    Sigmas = np.reshape(Sigmas, (K, 1, d, d))

    # compute probabilities
    py = np.tile(phis.reshape((K,1)), (1,n)).reshape([K,n,1,1])
    pxy = (
        np.sqrt(np.abs((2*np.pi)**d*np.linalg.det(Sigmas))).reshape((K,1,1,1))
        * -.5*np.exp(
            np.matmul(np.matmul((x-mus).transpose([0,1,3,2]), np.linalg.
→inv(Sigmas)), x-mus)
        )
    )
    pyx = pxy * py
    return pyx.argmax(axis=0).flatten(), pyx.reshape([K,n])

idx, pyx = gda_predictions(X, mus, Sigmas, phis)
print(idx)

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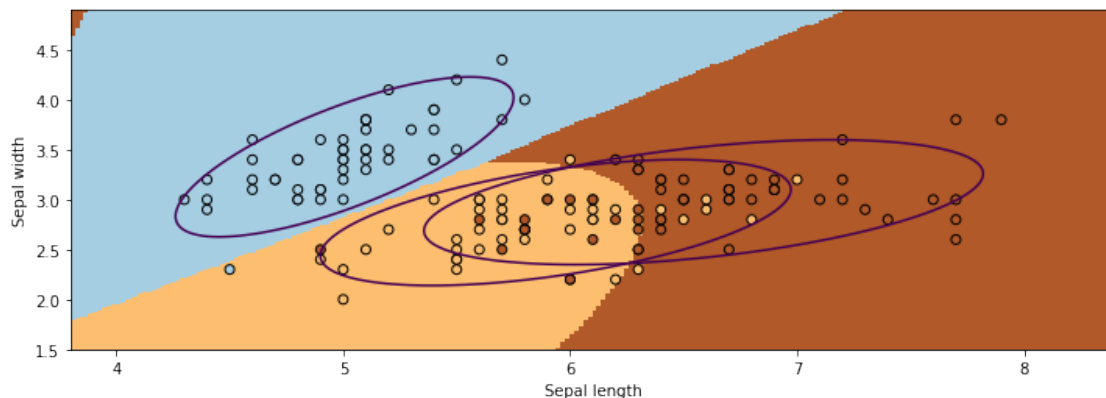
We visualize the decision boundaries like we did earlier.

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[14]: from matplotlib.colors import LogNorm
xx, yy = np.meshgrid(np.arange(x_min, x_max, .02), np.arange(y_min, y_max, .02))
Z, pyx = gda_predictions(np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()], mus, Sigmas, phis)
logpy = np.log(-1./3*pyx)

# Put the result into a color plot
Z = Z.reshape(xx.shape)
contours = np.zeros([K, xx.shape[0], xx.shape[1]])
for k in range(K):
    contours[k] = logpy[k].reshape(xx.shape)
plt.pcolormesh(xx, yy, Z, cmap=plt.cm.Paired)
for k in range(K):
    plt.contour(xx, yy, contours[k], levels=np.logspace(0, 1, 1))

# Plot also the training points
plt.scatter(X[:, 0], X[:, 1], c=iris_y, edgecolors='k', cmap=plt.cm.Paired)
plt.xlabel('Sepal length')
plt.ylabel('Sepal width')

plt.show()
```



27 Special Cases of GDA

Many important generative algorithms are special cases of Gaussian Discriminative Analysis *

- Linear discriminant analysis (LDA): all the covariance matrices Σ_k take the same value. *
- Gaussian Naive Bayes: all the covariance matrices Σ_k are diagonal. *
- Quadratic discriminant analysis (QDA): another term for GDA.

28 Generative vs. Discriminative Approaches

Pros of discriminative models: * Often more accurate because they make fewer modeling assumptions.

Pros of generative models: * Can do more than just prediction: generation, fill-in missing features, etc. * Can include extra prior knowledge; if prior knowledge is correct, model will be more accurate. * Often have closed-form solutions, hence are faster to train.

Part 4: Discriminative vs. Generative Algorithms

We conclude our lectures on generative algorithms by revisiting the question of how they compare to discriminative algorithms.

29 Linear Discriminant Analysis

When the covariances Σ_k in GDA are equal, we have an algorithm called Linear Discriminant Analysis or LDA.

The probability of the data x for each class is a multivariate Gaussian with the same covariance Σ .

$$P_{\theta}(x|y = k) = \mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \Sigma).$$

The probability over y is Categorical: $P_{\theta}(y = k) = \phi_k$.

Let's try this algorithm on the Iris flower dataset.

We compute the model parameters similarly to how we did for GDA.

```
[19]: # we can implement these formulas over the Iris dataset
d = 2 # number of features in our toy dataset
K = 3 # number of classes
n = X.shape[0] # size of the dataset

# these are the shapes of the parameters
mus = np.zeros([K,d])
Sigmas = np.zeros([K,d,d])
phis = np.zeros([K])

# we now compute the parameters
for k in range(3):
    X_k = X[iris_y == k]
    mus[k] = np.mean(X_k, axis=0)
    Sigmas[k] = np.cov(X_k.T) # this is now X.T instead of X_k.T
    phis[k] = X_k.shape[0] / float(n)

# print out the means
print(mus)
```

```
[[5.006 3.428]
 [5.936 2.77 ]
 [6.588 2.974]]
```

We can compute predictions using Bayes' rule.

```
[20]: # we can implement this in numpy
def gda_predictions(x, mus, Sigmas, phis):
    """This returns class assignments and p(y/x) under the GDA model.

    We compute \arg\max_y p(y/x) as \arg\max_y p(x/y)p(y)
    """

    # adjust shapes
    n, d = x.shape
    x = np.reshape(x, (1, n, d, 1))
    mus = np.reshape(mus, (K, 1, d, 1))
    Sigmas = np.reshape(Sigmas, (K, 1, d, d))

    # compute probabilities
    py = np.tile(phis.reshape((K,1)), (1,n)).reshape([K,n,1,1])
    pxy = (
        np.sqrt(np.abs((2*np.pi)**d*np.linalg.det(Sigmas))).reshape((K,1,1,1))
        * -.5*np.exp(
            np.matmul(np.matmul((x-mus).transpose([0,1,3,2]), np.linalg.
→inv(Sigmas)), x-mus)
        )
    )
    pyx = pxy * py
    return pyx.argmax(axis=0).flatten(), pyx.reshape([K,n])

idx, pyx = gda_predictions(X, mus, Sigmas, phis)
print(idx)
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We visualize predictions like we did earlier.

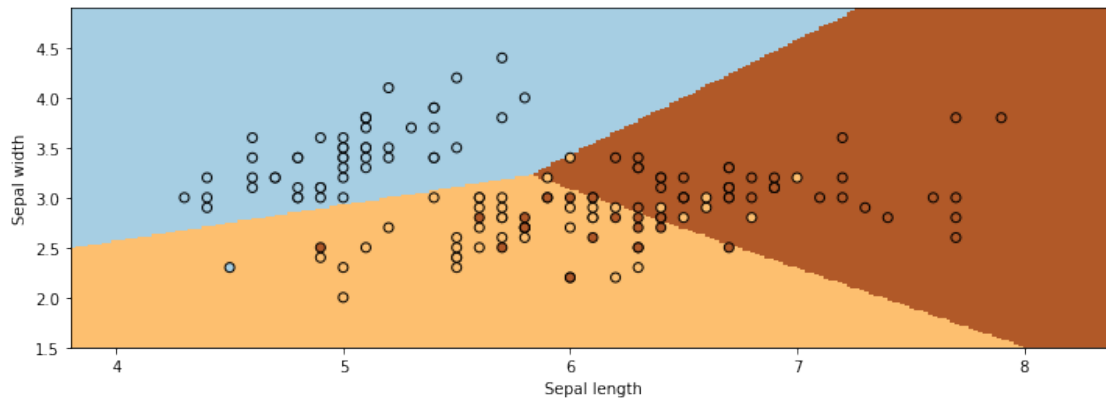
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Z, pyx = gda_predictions(np.c_[xx.ravel(), yy.ravel()], mus, Sigmas, phis)
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```



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# Plot also the training points
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```



Linear Discriminant Analysis outputs decision boundaries that are linear, just like Logistic/Softmax Regression.

Softmax or Logistic regression also produce linear boundaries. In fact, both types of algorithms make use of the same model class.

What is their difference then?

30 What Is the LDA Model Class?

We can derive a formula for $P_{\theta}(y|x)$ in a Bernoulli Naive Bayes or LDA model when $K = 2$:

$$P_{\theta}(y|x) = \frac{P_{\theta}(x|y)P_{\theta}(y)}{\sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}} P_{\theta}(x|y')P_{\theta}(y')} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\gamma^{\top} x)}$$

for some set of parameters γ (whose expression can be derived from θ).

This is the same form as Logistic Regression! Does it mean that the two sets of algorithms are equivalent?

No! They assume the same model class \mathcal{M} , they use a different objective J to select a model in \mathcal{M} .

31 LDA vs. Logistic Regression

What are the differences between LDA/NB and logistic regression?

- Bernoulli Naive Bayes or LDA assumes a logistic form for $P(y|x)$. But the converse is not true: logistic regression does not assume a NB or LDA model for $P(x, y)$.
- Generative models make stronger modeling assumptions. If these assumptions hold true, the generative models will perform better.
- But if they don't, logistic regression will be more robust to outliers and model misspecification, and achieve higher accuracy.

32 Discriminative Approaches

Discriminative algorithms are deservedly very popular. * Most state-of-the-art algorithms for classification are discriminative (including neural nets, boosting, SVMs, etc.) * They are often more accurate because they make fewer modeling assumptions.

33 Other Useful Features of Generative Models

Generative models can also do things that discriminative models can't do. * **Generation:** we can sample $x \sim p(x|y)$ to generate new data (images, audio). * **Missing value imputation:** if x_j is missing, we infer it using $p(x|y)$. * **Outlier detection:** we may detect via $p(x')$ if x' is an outlier. * **Scalability:** Simple formulas for maximum likelihood parameters.

34 Generative Approaches

But generative algorithms also have many advantages: * Can do more than just prediction: generation, fill-in missing features, etc. * Can include extra prior knowledge; if prior knowledge is correct, model will be more accurate. * Often have closed-form solutions, hence are faster to train.