# Bayesian decision theory

Assume, two class problem.

Example:- An automatic system for quality measurement of a product industry.

Acceptance class =  $w_1$ , Reject class =  $w_2$ 

Based on previous record,

Probability of acceptance =  $p(w_1)$  known

Probability of rejection =  $p(w_2)$  known

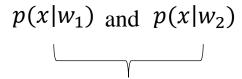
**Prior Probability** 

We can make simple decision rule:-

If  $p(w_1) > p(w_2)$ , then decide class  $w_1$ 

If  $p(w_2) > p(w_1)$ , then decide class  $w_2$ 

I can find out the probabilistic measure or probability density function (PDF) of variable x for object which belongs to class  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  separately.



Class conditional PDF

Our objective is to calculate:-

$$p(w_1|x)$$
 and  $p(w_2|x)$ 

Posterior probability

Joint probability density function,

$$p(w_i, x) = p(w_i|x).p(x)$$
$$= p(x|w_i).p(w_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(w_i|x).p(x) = p(x|w_i).p(w_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(w_i|x) = \frac{p(x|w_i).p(w_i)}{p(x)}$$

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 Bayes rule

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} p(x|w_i). p(w_i) \qquad \text{If } p(w_1|x) > p(w_2|x), \text{ then decide class } w_1$$
 
$$\text{If } p(w_2|x) > p(w_1|x), \text{ then decide class } w_2$$

By expanding,

If 
$$p(x|w_1)p(w_1) > p(x|w_2)p(w_2)$$
, then decide  $w_1$ 

If 
$$p(x|w_2)p(w_2) > p(x|w_1)p(w_1)$$
, then decide  $w_2$ 

If  $p(x|w_1)$   $p(w_1) = p(x|w_2)p(w_2)$ , then decision will based on  $p(w_1)$  and  $p(w_2)$ .

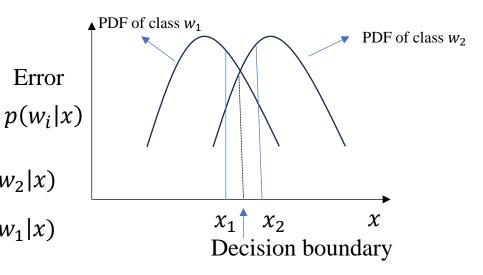
Error in this case:-

If 
$$x_1 \in w_2$$
, then error  $p(w_1|x)$ 

If 
$$x_2 \in w_1$$
, then error  $p(w_2|x)$ 

If I decide in favour of class  $w_1$  then probability of error =  $p(w_2|x)$ 

If I decide in favour of class  $w_2$  then probability of error =  $p(w_1|x)$ 



Total error = 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(error, x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(error|x) \cdot p(x) dx$$

$$p(error, x) = \min\{p(w_1|x), p(w_2|x)\}$$

$$p(w_i|x) = \frac{p(x|w_i).p(w_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^2 p(x|w_i).p(w_i)} = p(w_i|x) = \frac{p(x|w_i).p(w_i)}{p(x)}$$

If  $p(w_1|x) > p(w_2|x)$ , then decide class  $w_1$ 

If  $p(w_2|x) > p(w_1|x)$ , then decide class  $w_2$ 

### Generalized bayes classifier

- > Use more than two states of nature.
- More than one feature .
- More action to consider.
- > Loss function.

c 
$$\rightarrow$$
 No. of classes  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots w_c\}$   
No. of actions  $= \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots \alpha_a\}$ 

Loss function:-  $\lambda(\alpha_i|w_j)$ , loss is occurred for taking action  $\alpha_i$  when state of class is  $w_j$ .

x is d – dimensional vector

$$R(\alpha_i|x) = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \lambda(\alpha_i|w_j)p(w_j|x)$$

Risk function/conditional risk/expected loss.

Minimum Risk classifier:-

Two category case :-  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  and actions  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ 

For simplicity, 
$$\lambda(\alpha_i|w_j) = \lambda_{ij}$$

In general,

$$R(\alpha_i|x) = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \lambda(\alpha_i|w_j)p(w_j|x)$$

$$\lambda_{i,j}$$

For two class problem.

For action 
$$\alpha_1$$
,  $R(\alpha_1|x) = \lambda_{11} p(w_1|x) + \lambda_{12} p(w_2|x)$  
$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$
 
$$\lambda(\alpha_1|w_1) \qquad \lambda(\alpha_1|w_2)$$

For action 
$$\alpha_2$$
,  $R(\alpha_2|x) = \lambda_{21} p(w_1|x) + \lambda_{22} p(w_2|x)$ 

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\lambda(\alpha_2|w_1) \qquad \lambda(\alpha_2|w_2)$$

If  $R(\alpha_1|x) < R(\alpha_2|x)$ , then in favour of  $\alpha_1$ 

If  $R(\alpha_1|x) > R(\alpha_2|x)$ , then in favour of  $\alpha_2$ 

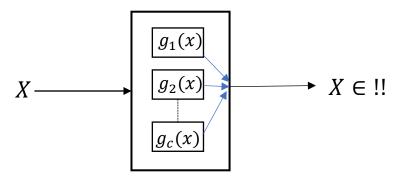
$$\lambda_{21} p(w_1|x) + \lambda_{22} p(w_2|x) > \lambda_{11} p(w_1|x) + \lambda_{12} p(w_2|x)$$

for decision in favour of  $w_1$  or action  $\alpha_1$ 

$$= (\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11}) p(w_1|x) > (\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22}) p(w_2|x)$$
 If both,  $(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{22}) p(w_2|x)$ 

If both,  $(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11}) > 0$  and  $(\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22}) > 0$ And  $p(w_1|x) > p(w_2|x)$ , then decide class  $w_1$ .

## Multi-category class



c = No. of classes g(x) = discriminant function  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_c\}$ , are c no of classes

$$g_i(x)$$
;  $i = 1, 2, ..., c$ .

If  $g_i(x) > g_j(x) \ \forall j \neq i \text{ decide } x \in w_i$ .

#### Minimum risk classifier

We can let  $g_i(x) = -R(\alpha_i|x)$ 

As we know,  $R(\alpha_i|x) = 1 - p(w_i|x)$ 

Then, 
$$g_i(x) = p(w_i|x)$$

 $f(g_i(x)) =$  monotonically increasing function.

Minimum error rate classification:-

$$g_i(x) = p(w_i|x) = \frac{p(x|w_i).p(w_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^2 p(x|w_i).p(w_j)} \longrightarrow p(x)$$
$$g_i(x) = p(x|w_i).p(w_i)$$

Logarithmic function → monotonically increasing function.

$$g_i(x) = \ln p(w_i|x) = \ln p(x|w_i) + \ln p(w_i)$$

Two category case:- Class  $w_1$  Class  $w_2$  We have now two discriminant function  $g_1(x)$  and  $g_2(x)$ .

If 
$$g_1(x) > g_2(x)$$
 decide class  $w_1$   
If  $g_1(x) < g_2(x)$  decide class  $w_2$  Decision boundary  $g_1(x) - g_2(x) = 0$ 

Single discriminant function:-

$$g(x) = g_1(x) - g_2(x) = \ln p(w_1|x) - \ln p(w_2|x)$$

$$= \ln p(x|w_1) + \ln p(w_1) - \ln p(x|w_2) - \ln p(w_2)$$

$$= \ln \frac{p(x|w_1)}{p(x|w_2)} + \ln \frac{p(w_1)}{p(w_2)}$$

### The Normal Density

Univariate Density:- We begin with the continuous univariate normal or Gaussian density,

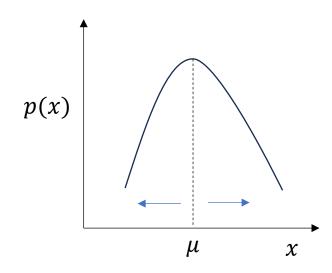
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2\right]$$

 $\mu$  = expected value of x

$$\mu = E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx$$

 $\sigma^2$  = variance

$$\sigma^{2} = E[(x - \mu)^{2}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^{2} p(x) dx = N(\mu, \sigma^{2})$$



Multivariate Density:- The general multivariate normal density in d dimensions is written as

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^t \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right]$$

x = feature vector with dimension d

 $\mu$  = expected value of dimension d

$$\mu = E(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx$$

 $\Sigma$  = covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = E[(x - \mu)(x - \mu)^t] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)(x - \mu)^t p(x) dx$$

$$(x - \mu) = (d \times 1)$$
$$(x - \mu)^t = (1 \times d)$$
$$\Sigma = E(x) = (d \times d)$$

*ith* component  $\mu_i = E[x_i]$ 

$$(i,j)^{th}$$
 component  $\sigma_{i,j} = E[(x_i - \mu_i)(x_j - \mu_j)^t]$ 

Diagonal component,  $\sigma_{i,i} = E[(x_i - \mu_i)^2] = \sigma_i^2$ 

#### Bivariate normal density function:-

X = two dimensional feature vector

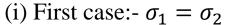
$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

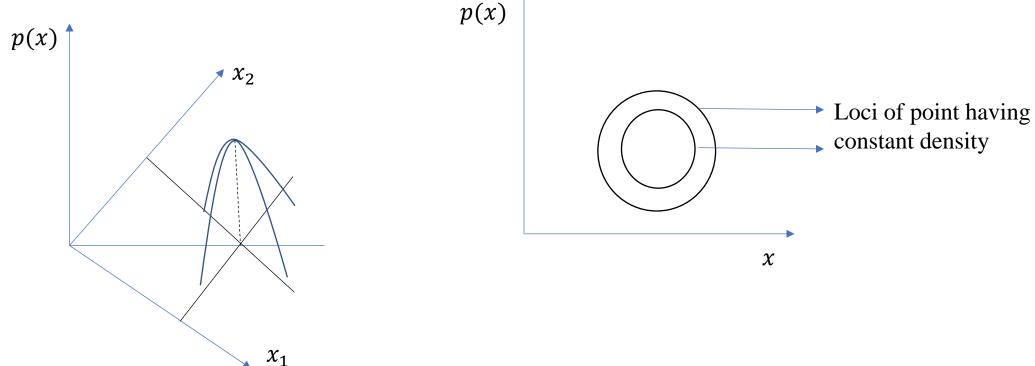
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left\{\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2\right\}\right]$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mu = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)|\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2\right] \exp\left[\left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2\right]$$

#### **Physical Interpretation:-**





For bivariate function I want to trace the loci of constant density i.e. all value of x for which p(x) is constant, those loci is nothing but circle.

Along with these circles, I have more probability of occurrence of set of points which are drawn from a single population arbitrary.

(ii) Second case:-  $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$ 

$$\Sigma = egin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} \ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

If all samples are statistically independent,

$$\sigma_{12} = \sigma_{21} = 0$$

then

$$\Sigma = egin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(iii) Third case:-Data are not statistically independent .

 $e_1$  = eigen vectors of the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ 

## Discriminant Functions for the Normal Density

We know that the discriminant functions given as:-

$$g_i(x) = lnp(w_i|x) = lnp(x|w_i) + lnp(w_i)$$

Multivariate Density:-

$$p(x|w_i) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma_i|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_i)^t \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - \mu_i)\right]$$

**Discriminant Functions:-**

$$g_i(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ (x - \mu_i)^t \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - \mu_i) \right] - \frac{d}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma_i| + \ln p(w_i)$$

Let us examine the discriminant function and resulting classification for a no. of special cases.

#### Case :-

$$\Sigma_i = \sigma^2 I$$
  $I = \text{Identity matrix } (d \times d)$ 

 $\sigma_{i,j} = 0$ , different components are statistically independent.

$$|\Sigma_i| = \sigma^{2d}$$

$$\left|\Sigma_i^{-1}\right| = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}I$$

$$g_i(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ (x - \mu_i)^t \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - \mu_i) \right] - \frac{d}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma_i| + \ln p(w_i)$$

$$constant \longrightarrow \text{Independent of } i, \text{so they are ignored.}$$

Thus we obtain the simple discriminant functions:-

$$g_i(x) = -\frac{||x - \mu_i||^2}{2\sigma^2} + lnp(w_i)$$

where ||. || is the Euclidean norm that is,

$$||x - \mu_i||^2 = (x - \mu_i)^t (x - \mu_i)$$

Expansion of the quadratic form  $(x - \mu_i)^t$   $(x - \mu_i)$  yields

$$g_i(x) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [x^t x - 2\mu_i^t x + \mu_i^t \mu_i] + \ln p(w_i)$$

which appears to be quadratic function of x. However, the quadratic term  $x^t x$  is independent for all i, making it an ignorable additive constant. then,

$$g_i(x) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ -2\mu_i^t x + \mu_i^t \mu_i \right] + \ln p(w_i)$$

Thus we obtain the equivalent linear discriminant functions

$$g_i(x) = w_i^t x + w_{i0}$$

where

$$w_i = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mu_i$$
,  $w_{i0} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mu_i^t \mu_i + \ln p(w_i)$ 

If 
$$g_i(x) > g_i(x)$$
, then  $x \in \text{class } i$ 

If 
$$g_j(x) > g_i(x)$$
, then  $x \in \text{class } j$ 

$$g_{i}(x) = g_{j}(x) \text{ or } g_{i}(x) - g_{j}(x) = 0$$

$$g_{i}(x) = w_{i}^{t}x + w_{i0}$$

$$g_{j}(x) = w_{j}^{t}x + w_{j0}$$

$$g_{i}(x) - g_{j}(x) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (w_{i} - w_{j})^{t}x + w_{i0} + w_{j0} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma^{2}}(\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})^{t}x - \frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}\mu_{i}^{t}\mu_{i} + \ln p(w_{i}) + \frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}\mu_{j}^{t}\mu_{j} - \ln p(w_{j}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})^{t}x - \frac{1}{2}(\mu_{i}^{t}\mu_{i} - \mu_{j}^{t}\mu_{j}) + \sigma^{2}\frac{\ln p(w_{i})}{\ln p(w_{j})} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})^{t}\left[x - \left\{\frac{1}{2}(\mu_{i} + \mu_{j}) - \frac{\sigma^{2}}{|\mu_{i} - \mu_{j}||^{2}}\left[\frac{\ln p(w_{i})}{\ln p(w_{j})}\right](\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})\right\}\right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow w_{t}(x - x_{0}) = 0$$

$$w = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_i - \mu_j) \qquad x_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_i + \mu_j) - \frac{\sigma^2}{||\mu_i - \mu_j||^2} \left[ \frac{\ln \ p(w_i)}{\ln \ p(w_j)} \right] (\mu_i - \mu_j)$$

If 
$$p(w_i) = p(w_j);$$
  $x_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_i + \mu_j)$ 

