

## Modul 3: Bayes Decision Theory

### 01 Bayes Decision Rule

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# Bayes Decision Theory: What

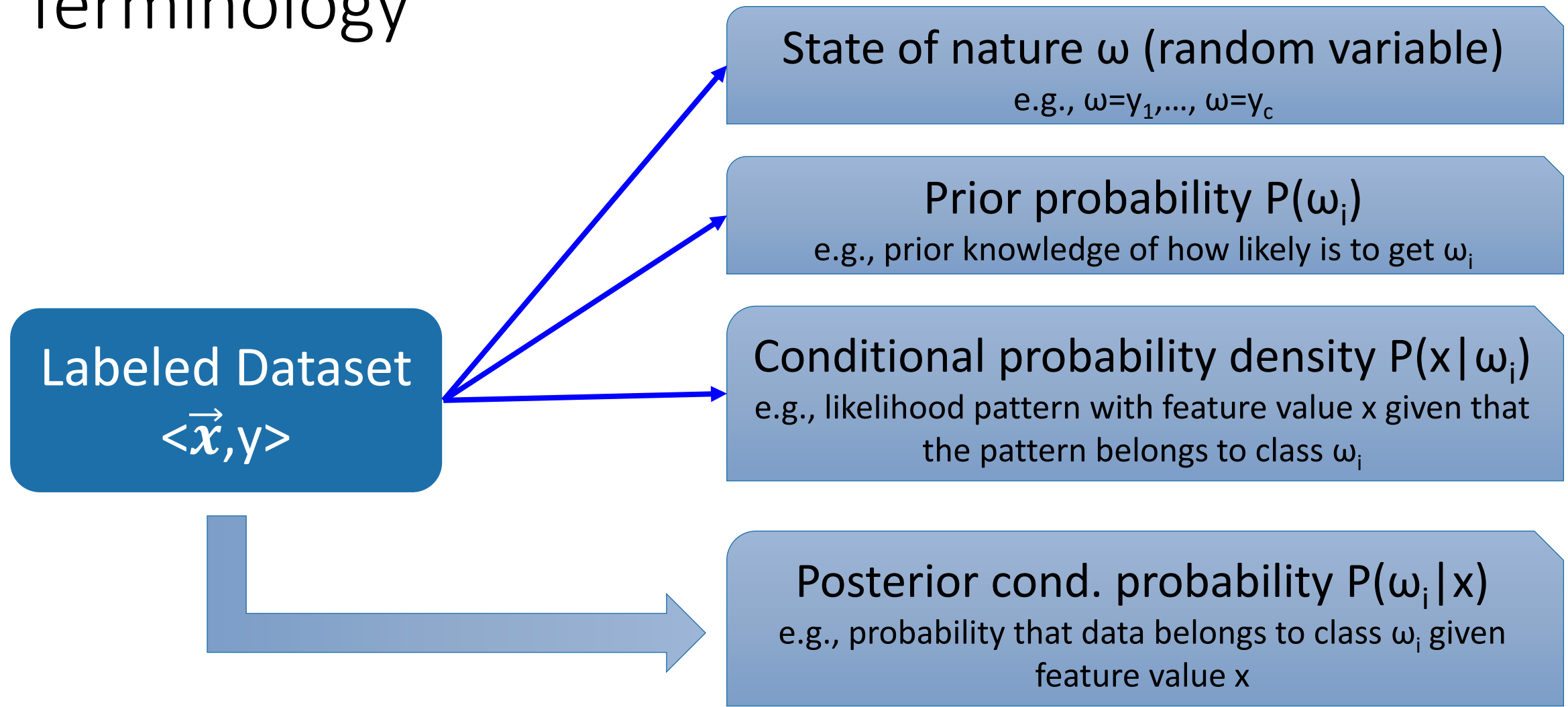
Bayes decision theory is based on quantifying tradeoffs between various classification decision using probability and the cost that accompany such decision.

Assumption: decision problem posed in probabilistic terms and relevant probability values are known

Design classifiers to recommend decisions that minimize some total expected "risk".



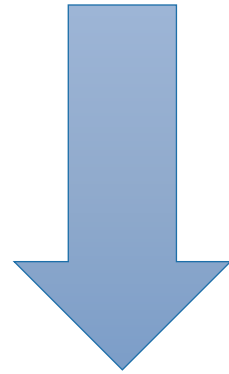
# Terminology



# Bayes Decision Rule using Conditional Probability

One-dimensional feature  $x$  and binary class  $\omega$ :

Decide  $\omega_1$  if  $P(\omega_1 | x) > P(\omega_2 | x)$  ;  
otherwise decide  $\omega_2$



$$P(\omega_i | x) = \frac{P(x | \omega_i) \cdot P(\omega_i)}{P(x)} = \frac{\text{likelihood} * \text{prior}}{\text{evidence}}$$




Where  $P(x) = \sum_{i=1}^2 P(x | \omega_i) \cdot P(\omega_i)$

Decide  $\omega_1$  if  $P(x | \omega_1) \cdot P(\omega_1) > P(x | \omega_2) \cdot P(\omega_2)$  ;  
otherwise decide  $\omega_2$



# Fish Classification

## Image Dataset

Image	Label
	Seabass
	Seabass
	salmon

Random variable  $\omega$

$\omega_1 = \text{sea bass (total=N}_1\text{)}$

$\omega_2 = \text{salmon (total=N}_2\text{)}$

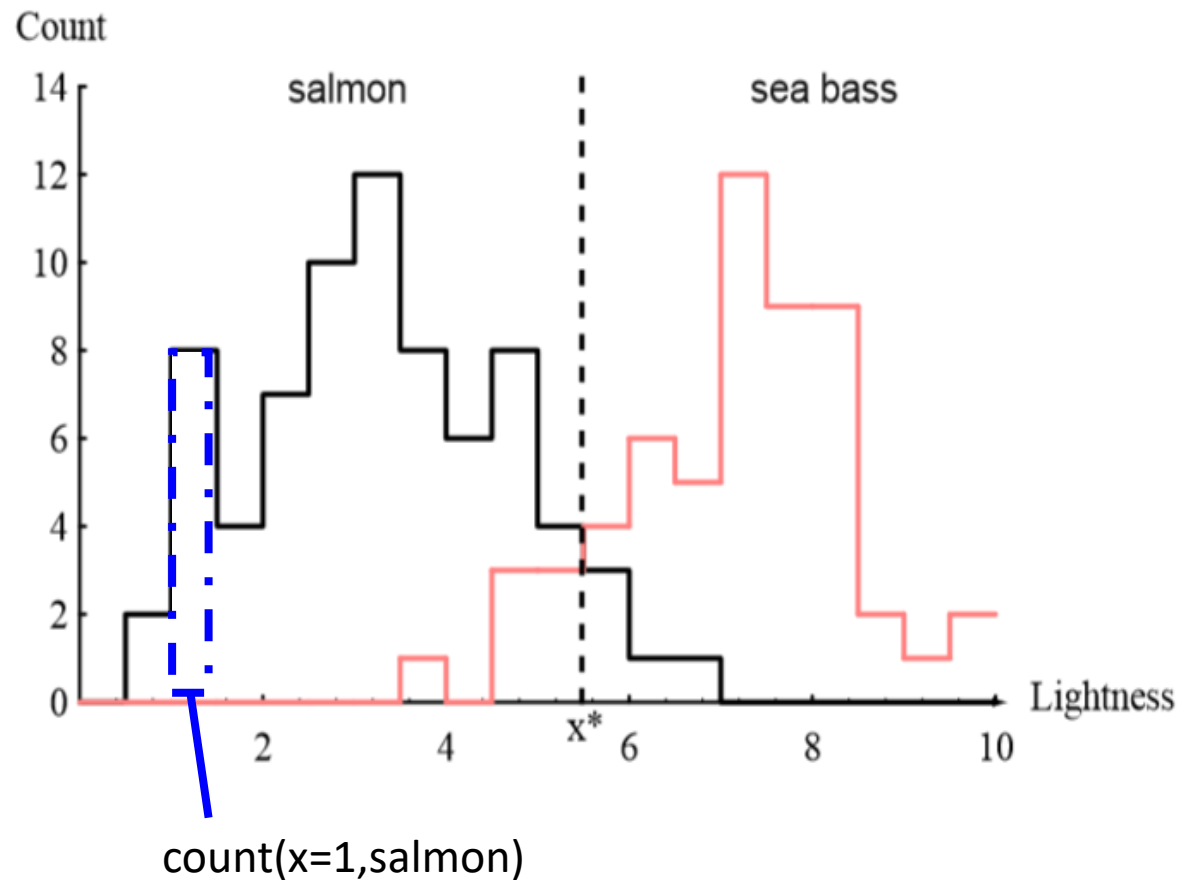
Prior probability: is the probability next fish observed is  $\omega_i$

$P(\omega_1) = N_1 / (N_1 + N_2)$

$P(\omega_2) = N_2 / (N_1 + N_2)$



# Fish Classification: Feature Lightness



Conditional probability density

$$P(x | \omega_i) = P(x, \omega_i) / P(\omega_i)$$

$$= \text{count}(x, \omega_i) / N_i$$

New input x:

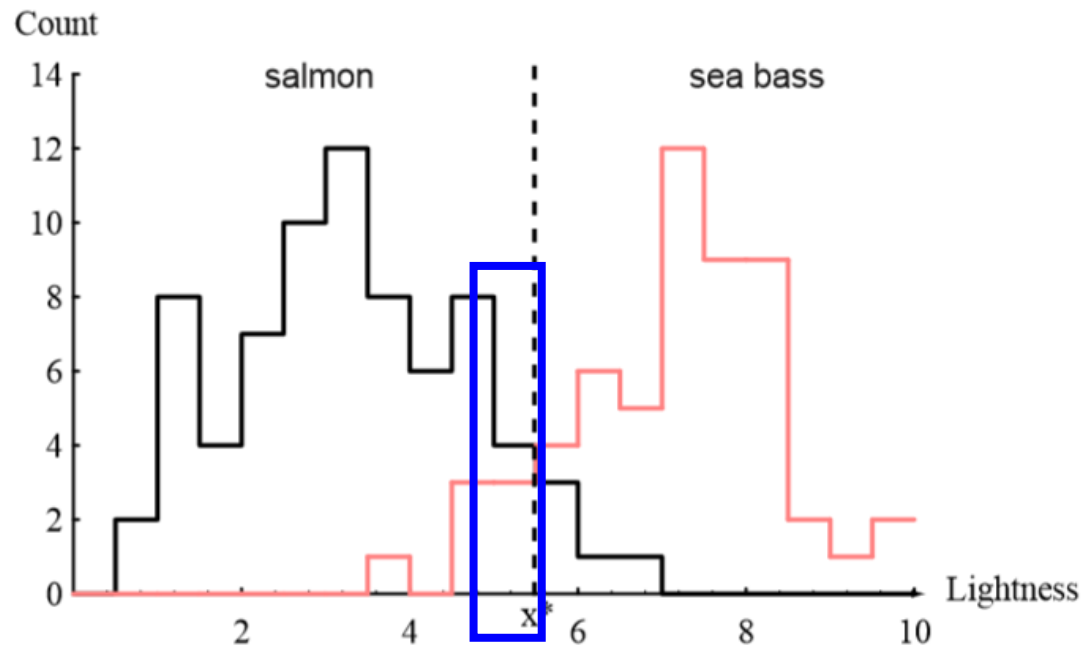
Decide  $\omega_1$

if  $P(x | \omega_1) \cdot P(\omega_1) > P(x | \omega_2) \cdot P(\omega_2)$  ;

otherwise decide  $\omega_2$



# Fish Classification: Example



$$P(\omega=\text{salmon})=74/131=0.565$$

$$P(\omega=\text{sea bass})=57/131=0.435$$

$$P(x=5.0-5.5|\omega=\text{salmon})=4/74=0.054$$

$$P(x=5.0-5.5|\omega=\text{seabass})=3/57=0.053$$

- Input  $x = 5.0-5.5$
- Posterior conditional probability:  
 $P(\omega_i|x) \rightarrow P(x|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)$ :  
 $P(\omega=\text{salmon}|x = 5.0-5.5)$   
 $=0.054*0.565=0.0305$   
 $P(\omega=\text{sea bass}|x = 5.0-5.5)$   
 $=0.053*0.435=0.0230$
- Decision:  $\omega=\text{salmon}$





# Summary

Bayes Decision  
Theory

Bayes Decision  
Rule using  
Conditional  
Probability

Fish Classification

Minimum Risk Bayes Decision Rule



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# Action & Loss

- Allowing actions other than classification primarily allows the possibility of “rejection”.
- Example: a student wants to decide whether to take a course or not based on classification of the course.
  - $\omega = \{\text{good, fair, bad}\}$
  - Action = {take, not\_take}
- The loss function  $\lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j)$  specifies the cost of taking action  $\alpha_i$  when correct classification category is  $\omega_j$ .



# Conditional Risk (or Expected Loss)

- Example “student  $\vec{x}$  take the course ?”:

	good	fair	bad
$P(\omega \vec{x})$	0.3	0.3	0.4

Loss	good	fair	bad
Take	0	5	30
Not_take	20	5	0

- Conditional risk or expected loss with taking action  $\alpha_i$  is:

$$R(\alpha_i|\vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^c \lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_j)P(\omega_j|\vec{x})$$

- $R(\alpha=\text{take}|\vec{x})=0*0.3+5*0.3+30*0.4=13.5$
- $R(\alpha=\text{not\_take}|\vec{x})=20*0.3+5*0.3+0*0.4=7.5 \rightarrow \text{select not\_take}$



# Minimum Risk Bayes Decision Rule

Allowing actions other than classification primarily allows the possibility of “rejection”. General case with risks.

Computing expected loss  
 $R(\alpha_i|\vec{x})$  for every action  $\alpha_i$

Choosing action  $\alpha_i$  with  
minimum  $R(\alpha_i|\vec{x})$



# Two-category Classification

- $\omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$
- $\alpha = \{\text{decide } \omega_1, \text{decide } \omega_2\}$
- $\lambda_{ij} = \lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j)$

$$R(\alpha_i | \vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^c \lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j) P(\omega_j | \vec{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\alpha_1 | \vec{x}) &= \sum_{j=1}^2 \lambda(\alpha_1 | \omega_j) P(\omega_j | \vec{x}) \\ &= \lambda_{11} P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{12} P(\omega_2 | \vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\alpha_2 | \vec{x}) &= \sum_{j=1}^2 \lambda(\alpha_2 | \omega_j) P(\omega_j | \vec{x}) \\ &= \lambda_{21} P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{22} P(\omega_2 | \vec{x}) \end{aligned}$$



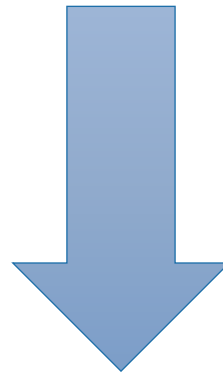
# Bayes Decision Rule

n-dimensional feature  $\vec{x}$  and binary class  $\omega$ :

if  $R(\alpha_1 | \vec{x}) < R(\alpha_2 | \vec{x})$ : take action  $\alpha_1$  “decide  $\omega_1$ ”;  
otherwise take action  $\alpha_2$  “decide  $\omega_2$ ”

$$R(\alpha_1 | \vec{x}) = \lambda_{11}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{12}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x})$$

$$R(\alpha_2 | \vec{x}) = \lambda_{21}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{22}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x})$$



$$R(\alpha_1 | \vec{x}) < R(\alpha_2 | \vec{x})$$

$$\lambda_{11}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{12}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x}) < \lambda_{21}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) + \lambda_{22}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x})$$

$$\lambda_{11}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) - \lambda_{21}P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) < \lambda_{22}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x}) - \lambda_{12}P(\omega_2 | \vec{x})$$

$$(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11})P(\omega_1 | \vec{x}) > (\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22})P(\omega_2 | \vec{x})$$

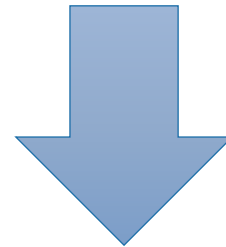
if  $\{(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11})P(\vec{x} | \omega_1)P(\omega_1)\} > \{(\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22})P(\vec{x} | \omega_2)P(\omega_2)\}$  :  
take action  $\alpha_1$  “decide  $\omega_1$ ”;  
otherwise take action  $\alpha_2$  decide  $\omega_2$



# Bayes Decision Rule (2)

n-dimensional feature  $\vec{x}$  and binary class  $\omega$ :

if  $\{(\lambda_{21}-\lambda_{11})P(\vec{x}|\omega_1)P(\omega_1)\} > \{(\lambda_{12}-\lambda_{22})P(\vec{x}|\omega_2)P(\omega_2)\}$  :  
take action  $\alpha_1$  “decide  $\omega_1$ ”;  
otherwise take action  $\alpha_2$  decide  $\omega_2$



If  $\frac{P(\vec{x}|\omega_1)}{P(\vec{x}|\omega_2)} > \frac{(\lambda_{12}-\lambda_{22}) P(\omega_2)}{(\lambda_{21}-\lambda_{11}) P(\omega_1)}$  : take action  $\alpha_1$  “decide  $\omega_1$ ”;  
otherwise decide  $\omega_2$

Likelihood ratio

threshold





# Bayes Decision Rule: Interpretation

$$\text{If } \frac{P(\vec{x}|\omega_1)}{P(\vec{x}|\omega_2)} > \frac{(\lambda_{12}-\lambda_{22}) P(\omega_2)}{(\lambda_{21}-\lambda_{11}) P(\omega_1)} : \text{take action } \alpha_1 \text{ "decide } \omega_1\text{"};$$

otherwise decide  $\omega_2$

If the likelihood ratio of class  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  exceeds a threshold value (independent of the input  $\vec{x}$ ), the optimal action is decide  $\omega_1$ .



# Example: Fish Classification

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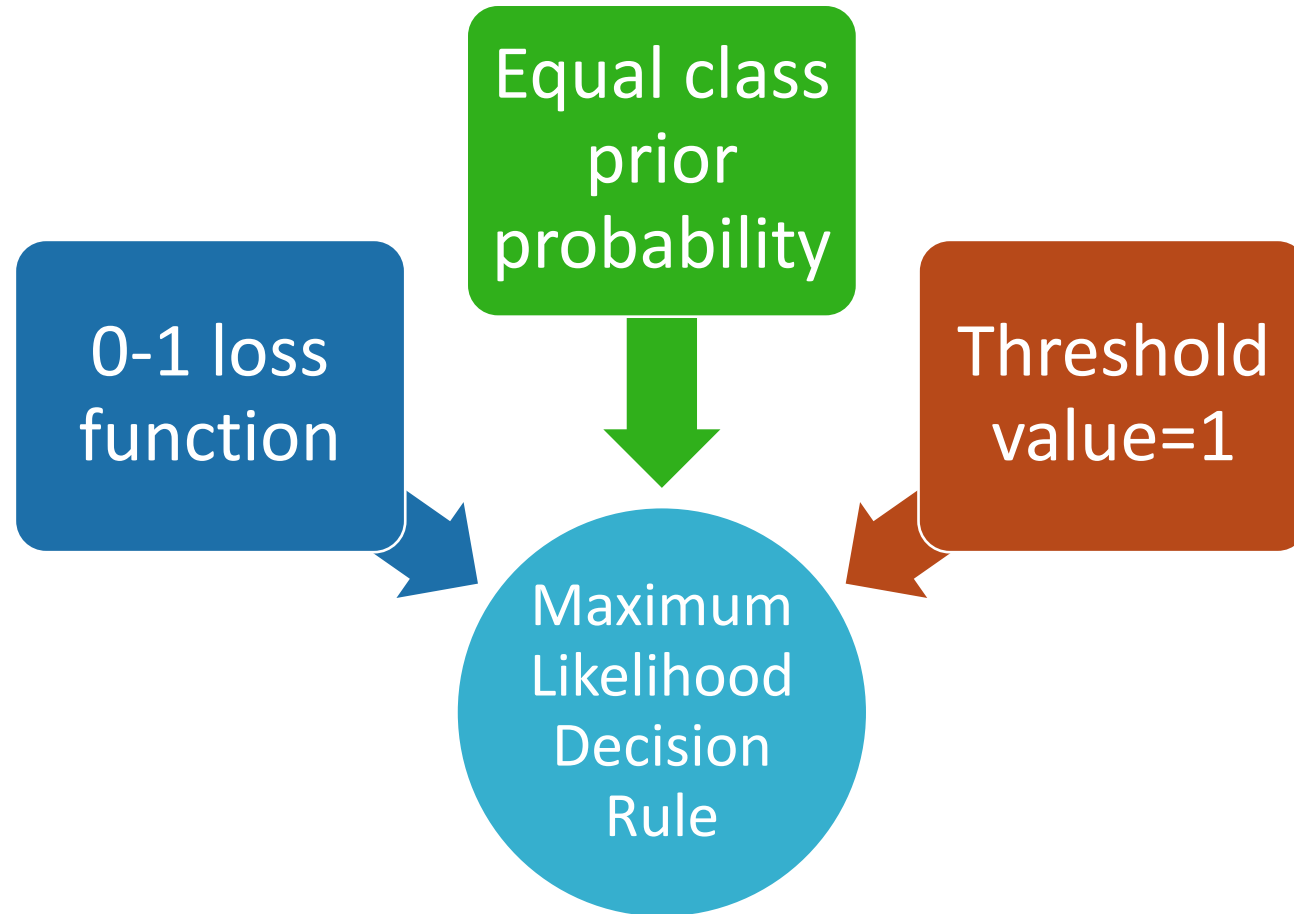
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Loss	Salmon	Sea bass
Salmon	$\lambda_{11}=0$	$\lambda_{12}=1$
Sea bass	$\lambda_{21}=1$	$\lambda_{22}=0$

- Likelihood ratio:  $LR = \frac{P(\vec{x}|\omega_1)}{P(\vec{x}|\omega_2)} = \frac{0.054}{0.053} = 1.02$
- Threshold value:  $\frac{(\lambda_{12}-\lambda_{22}) P(\omega_2)}{(\lambda_{21}-\lambda_{11}) P(\omega_1)} = \frac{(1-0) 0.435}{(1-0) 0.565} = 0.77$
- $LR > \text{threshold} \rightarrow \text{decide salmon}$



# Maximum Likelihood Decision Rule: Special Case



If  $\frac{P(\vec{x}|\omega_1)}{P(\vec{x}|\omega_2)} > \frac{(\lambda_{12}-\lambda_{22}) P(\omega_2)}{(\lambda_{21}-\lambda_{11}) P(\omega_1)}$  :  
take action  $\alpha_1$  "decide  $\omega_1$ ";  
otherwise decide  $\omega_2$



# Summary

Minimum risk  
bayes decision  
rule

Maximum  
likelihood  
decision rule

Classifier and Discriminant Function



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### 03 Classifier & Discriminant Function

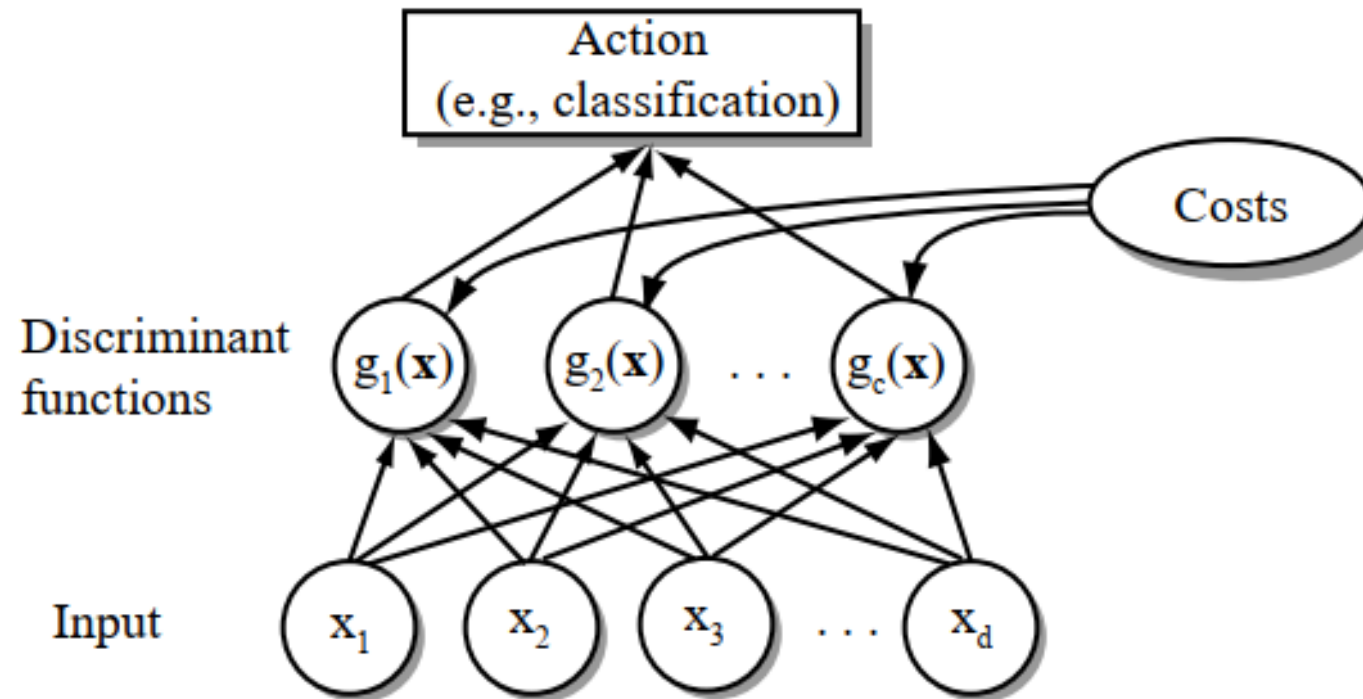
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# Classifier for Multicategory Case



Many different ways to represent classifiers or decision rules.  
One of the most useful is in terms of “discriminant functions”

# Classifier as Largest Discriminant

Discriminant  
functions  $g_i(x)$ ,  $i=1..c$

Dec. rule: Class  $\omega_i$   
if  $g_i(x) > g_j(x)$  for all  $j \neq i$



# Maximum Discriminant Functions $g_i(x)$

$g_i(x) = -R(\alpha_i | \vec{x})$  for general case with risks

$g_i(x) = P(\omega_i | x)$  : maximum posterior probability

$g_i(x) = \ln P(\vec{x} | \omega_i) + \ln P(\omega_i)$  : simpler





# Discriminant Functions for 2-Category

Assign  $\omega_1$  if  $g(x) = g_1(x) - g_2(x) > 0$

$$g(x) = P(\omega_1 | x) - P(\omega_2 | x)$$

$$g(x) = \ln \frac{P(\vec{x} | \omega_1)}{P(\vec{x} | \omega_2)} + \ln \frac{P(\omega_2)}{P(\omega_1)}$$



# Summary

Classifier:  
Maximum  
Discriminant  
Function

Discriminant  
Function for 2  
Category



