DS 4400

Machine Learning and Data Mining I Spring 2024

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Outline

- Announcements on homework, final project, and midterm.
- Generative classifiers
 - Difference from discriminative classifiers
- Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)
 - Training and inference
 - Why LDA is a linear classifier
 - Comparison with Logistic Regression

Announcements

- Please submit Homework 2. Deadline is tonight at 11:59pm
- Reminder that you have five late days to use over the course of the semester for homework assignments.
- Please tag pages to questions in Gradescope.
- Homework 1 grades will be released this afternoon. Re-grade requests feature is enabled on Gradescope.
 - Questions 1 and 2: Dhanush
 - Question 3: Jai
 - Questions 4 and 5: Caleb

Announcements - Midterm

Midterm is next Friday February 23.

Please come to class a few minutes early so that we can give as much time as possible for the exam.

You are allowed a one-page cheat sheet and a calculator.

Announcements – Final Project

- Final project resources released on Canvas
 - Document with example datasets
 - Examples of past submissions

 Project proposal due on Friday March 1 before Spring Break.

Announcements – Tuesday's Lecture

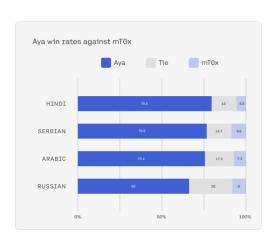
Next Tuesday February 20, we will have a lecture on the Ethics of AI / the societal impacts of AI.

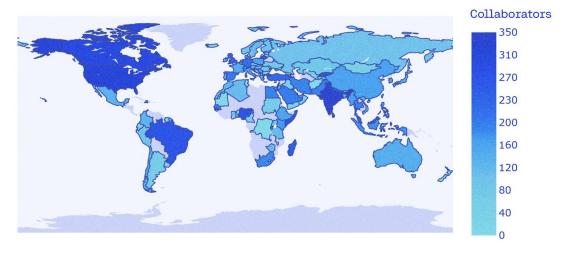
Please bring a laptop to the call as there will be an interactive component led by my labmate Samantha Dies.

News

Cohere for AI launches an open-source LLM, Aya, supporting 101 languages







Generative vs Discriminative

Generative model

- Given X and Y, learns the joint probability P(X,Y)
- Can generate more examples from distribution
- Examples: LDA, Naïve Bayes, language models (GPT-2, GPT-3, BERT)

Discriminative model

 Given X and Y, learns a decision function for classification

- Classify to one of k classes
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- Assume sigmoid function
- LDA uses Bayes Theorem to estimate it

$$-P[Y = k | X = x] = \frac{P[X = x | Y = k]P[Y=k]}{P[X=x]}$$

- Let $\pi_k = P[Y = k]$ be the prior probability of class k and $f_k(x) = P[X = x | Y = k]$

Assume $f_k(x)$ is Gaussian! Unidimensional case (d=1)

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_k^2}(x-\mu_k)^2\right)$$

Continuous Random Variables

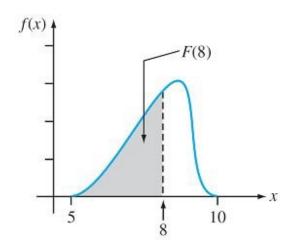
- X:U→V is continuous RV if it takes infinite number of values
- The cumulative distribution function CDF $F: R \longrightarrow \{0,1\}$ for X is defined for every value x by:

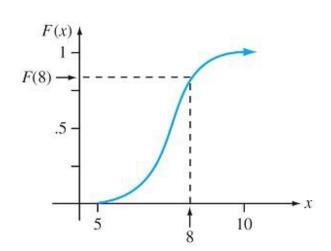
$$F(x) = \Pr(X \le x)$$

The probability distribution function PDF f(x) for X is

$$f(x) = dF(x)/dx$$

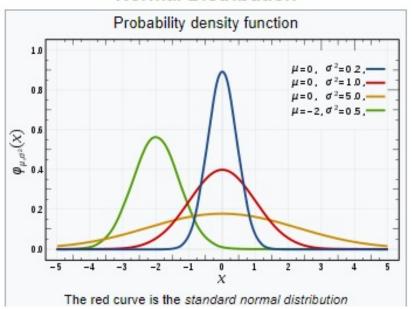
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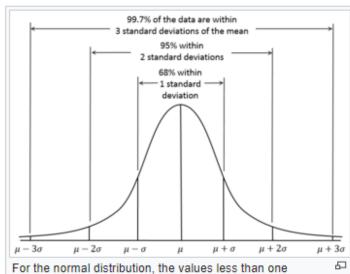




Gaussian Distribution

Normal Distribution





standard deviation away from the mean account for 68.27% of the set; while two standard deviations from the mean account for 95.45%; and three standard deviations account for 99.73%.

Notation	$\mathcal{N}(\mu,\sigma^2)$
Parameters	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ = mean (location)
	$\sigma^2>0$ = variance (squared scale)
Support	$x \in \mathbb{R}$
PDF	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

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$$p_k(x) = \frac{\pi_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \mu_k)^2\right)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \mu_l)^2\right)}.$$

Assumption: $\sigma_1 = ... \sigma_k = \sigma$

LDA Training and Testing

Given training data (x_i, y_i) , $i = 1, ..., n, y_i \in \{1, ..., K\}$

1. Estimate sample mean and variance

$$\hat{\mu}_{k} = \frac{1}{n_{k}} \sum_{i:y_{i}=k} x_{i}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^{2} = \frac{1}{n-K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{i:y_{i}=k} (x_{i} - \hat{\mu}_{k})^{2}$$

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Example: $k = 2, \pi_1 = \pi_2$

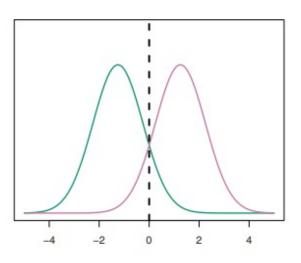
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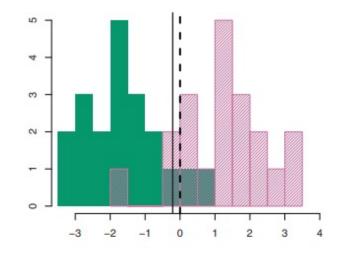
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Classify as class 1 if $x > \frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{2}$





True decision boundary

Estimated decision boundary

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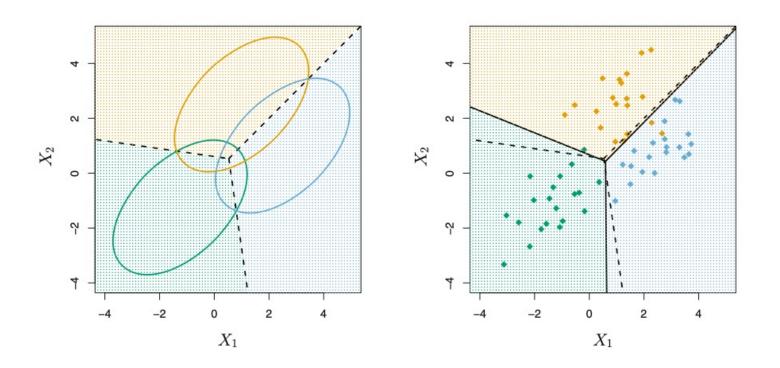
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Multi-Dimensional LDA

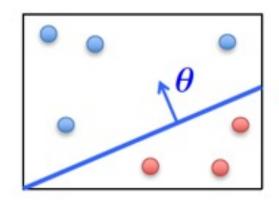


- LDA can be extended to multi-dimensional data
- Assumption that $f_k(x)$ is a multi-variate Gaussian

Linear models

Logistic regression

$$h_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{x}}}$$



LDA

$$Max_k \ \delta_k(x) = x \cdot \frac{\mu_k}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma^2} + \log(\pi_k)$$

LDA vs Logistic Regression

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- Logistic regression computes directly Pr[Y = 1 | X = x] by assuming sigmoid function
 - Uses Maximum Likelihood Estimation
 - Discriminative Model
- LDA uses Bayes Theorem to estimate it
 - Estimates mean, co-variance, and prior from training data
 - Generative model
 - Assumes Gaussian distribution for $f_k(x) = \Pr[X = x | Y = k]$
- Which one is better?
 - LDA can be sensitive to outliers
 - LDA works well for Gaussian distribution
 - Logistic regression is more complex to solve, but more expressive