

EE269

Signal Processing for Machine Learning

Lecture 6

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Bayes classifiers

Given P_{xy} joint probability distribution of $(x[n], y)$ what is the *best classifier* ?

- ▶ signal classifier function $f(x[n]) : \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$
- ▶ best classifier depends on the performance measure
- ▶ risk (probability of error):

$$R(f) = P_{xy}(f(x) \neq y)$$

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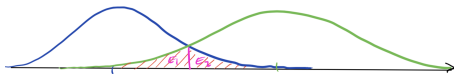
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- define **posterior** class probabilities:

$$\eta_k(x) = P_{y=k|x}(y = k|x)$$

note that $\sum_{k=1}^K \eta_k(x) = 1$

Example: $x[n] = x \in \mathbb{R}$



- Suppose $x|y$ is Gaussian, $y \in \{-1, +1\}$

$x|y = -1 \sim N(\mu_-, \sigma_-^2)$ and $x|y = +1 \sim N(\mu_+, \sigma_+^2)$

$\eta_1(x) = P(y = 1|x) = \frac{P(x|y=1)P(y=1)}{P(x)}$ (Bayes rule)

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Theorem: The classifier

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(x) &= \arg \max_{k=1,\dots,K} \eta_k(x) \\ &= \arg \max_{k=1,\dots,K} \pi_k g_k(x) \end{aligned}$$

is a Bayes classifier

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$$\left(\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} - \frac{1}{2\sigma_2^2} \right) \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 > \log\left(\frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2}\right) - \frac{N}{2} \log\left(\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2}\right)$$

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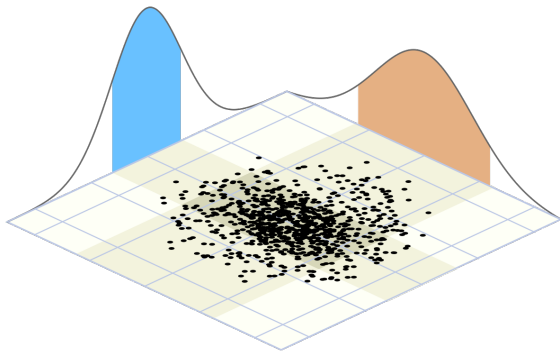
$$\langle x, s \rangle > \sigma^2 \log\left(\frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \|s\|_2^2$$

- ▶ **matched filter** (e.g., face detector, DFT basis)

Multivariate Gaussian

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n; \mu, \Sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{N}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)}$$



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- $y^T (\sigma^2 I_n + \Lambda)^{-1} \Lambda y = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_n + \sigma^2} |y[n]|^2$

$$y_{\text{filtered}}[n] = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_n}{\lambda_n + \sigma^2}} y[n]$$

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$$w_k^H \Sigma w_k = S[k] w_k^H$$