Lecture 6: Bayes Classification

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Recap: Bayes' Classification

Posterior, likelihood, prior, evidence

$$P(\omega_j|x) = \frac{p(x|\omega_j)P(\omega_j)}{p(x)},$$

Evidence: In case of two categories

$$p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{2} p(x|\omega_j)P(\omega_j)$$

$$posterior = \frac{likelihood \times prior}{evidence}$$

Bayesian Decision Theory

- Generalization of the preceding ideas
 - Use of more than one feature
 - Use more than two states of nature
 - Allowing actions other than decide on the state of nature
 - Allowing actions other than classification primarily allows the possibility of rejection
 - Refusing to make a decision in close or bad cases!
 - Introduce a loss function which is more general than the probability of error
 - The loss function states how costly each action taken is

Bayesian Decision Theory – Continuous Features...

- Let $\{\omega 1, \omega 2, ..., \omega c\}$ be the set of c states of nature (or "categories")
- Let $\{\alpha 1, \alpha 2, ..., \alpha a\}$ be the set of possible actions
- Let $\lambda(\alpha i \mid \omega j)$ be the loss incurred for taking action αi when the true state of nature is ωj

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- Conditional risk:

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

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

Two-category Classification

Our rule is the following:

if
$$R(\alpha 1 \mid x) < R(\alpha 2 \mid x)$$

- Action $\alpha 1$: "decide $\omega 1$ " is taken
- This results in the equivalent rule:
- Decide ω1 if:

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

• and decide ω 2 otherwise

Bayesian Decision Theory – Continuous Features...

Overall risk

R = Sum of all R(
$$\alpha i \mid x$$
) for i = 1,...,a

Conditional risk

- Minimizing R \longleftrightarrow Minimizing R(α i | x) for i = 1,..., a
- $R(\alpha_i \mid x) = \sum_{j=1}^{j=c} \lambda(\alpha_i \mid \omega_j) P(\omega_j \mid x)$ for i = 1,...,a

Bayesian Decision Theory – Continuous Features...

• Select the action α i for which $R(\alpha i \mid x)$ is minimum

 R is minimum and is called the <u>Bayes risk</u> = best performance that can be achieved!

Likelihood Ratio

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

 The preceding rule is equivalent to the following rule:

• If
$$\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2)} > \frac{\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22}}{\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11}} \frac{P(\omega_2)}{P(\omega_1)}$$

- Then take action $\alpha 1$ (decide $\omega 1$)
- Otherwise take action α 2 (decide ω 2)

Likelihood Ratio...

Optimal decision property

"If the likelihood ratio exceeds a threshold value independent of the input pattern x, we can take optimal actions"

Questions?

The Normal Density

- Univariate density
 - Continuous density
 - A lot of processes are asymptotically Gaussian
 - Handwritten characters, speech sounds are ideal or prototype corrupted by random process (central limit theorem)

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

Univariate density

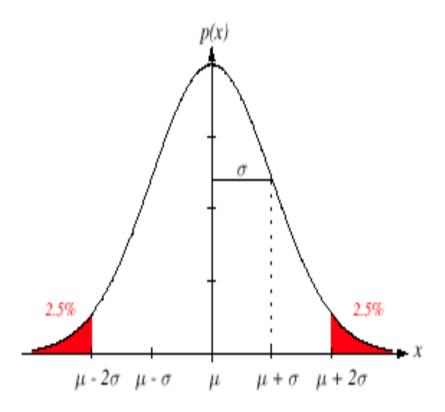


FIGURE 2.7. A univariate normal distribution has roughly 95% of its area in the range $|x - \mu| \le 2\sigma$, as shown. The peak of the distribution has value $p(\mu) = 1/\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma$. From: Richard O. Duda, Peter E. Hart, and David G. Stork, *Pattern Classification*. Copyright © 2001 by John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

The Normal Density

 Multivariate density: Multivariate normal density in d dimensions is:

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

$$x=(x_1,\,x_2,\,...,\,x_d)^t$$

 $\mu=(\mu_1,\,\mu_2,\,...,\,\mu_d)^t$ mean vector
 $\Sigma=d^*d$ covariance matrix
 $|\Sigma|$ and Σ^1 are determinant and inverse respectively

Multivariate density

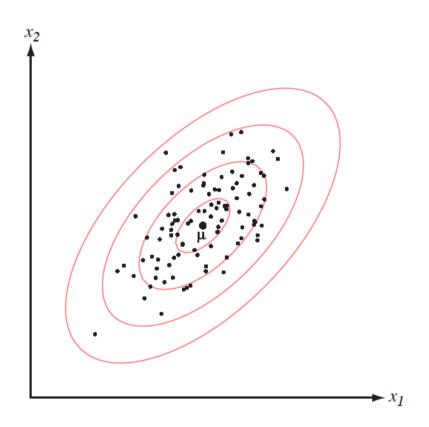


Figure 2.9: Samples drawn from a two-dimensional Gaussian lie in a cloud centered on the mean μ . The red ellipses show lines of equal probability density of the Gaussian.

Discriminant Functions for the Normal Density

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Minimum error-rate classification can be achieved by the discriminant function

- $g1(x) = \ln p(x \mid \omega 1) + \ln P(\omega 1) \ln p(x)$
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Case of multivariate normal

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

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