

Practice Problems 1 - Bayesian Decision theory

Two-class classification problem $\begin{cases} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{cases}$
Universe $\rightarrow x \in [0, 2]$

Class C_1 pdf $p(x|C_1) = \frac{2-x}{2}$ | Class C_2 pdf $p(x|C_2) = \frac{1}{2}$

And we have $P(C_1) = 3/4$; $P(C_2) = 1/4$

a) Values of x that should be classified in C_1 or C_2

$$\text{Bayes rule: } p(C|x) = \frac{P(C) P(x|C)}{P(x)}$$

We can calculate $P(x)$ as:

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= P(x|C_1) P(C_1) + P(x|C_2) P(C_2) = \left[\frac{2-x}{2} \right] \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{6-3x}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7-3x}{8} \end{aligned}$$

So now, we can use it to calculate the posterior probability

$$P(C_1|x) = \frac{P(C_1) P(x|C_1)}{P(x)} = \frac{\left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \left[\frac{2-x}{2} \right]}{\frac{7-3x}{8}} = \frac{\frac{6-3x}{8}}{\frac{7-3x}{8}} = \frac{6-3x}{7-3x}$$

$$P(C_2|x) = \frac{P(C_2) P(x|C_2)}{P(x)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)}{\frac{7-3x}{8}} = \frac{1}{7-3x}$$

Having the posterior probability in the 2 classes, we can get the intervals with this inequation

• We classify in C_1 if $P(C_1|x) > 0,5$

$$\frac{6-3x}{7-3x} > 0,5 \rightarrow 12-6x > 7-3x \rightarrow 12-7 > 6x-3x \rightarrow 3x < 5 \rightarrow \boxed{x < \frac{5}{3}}$$

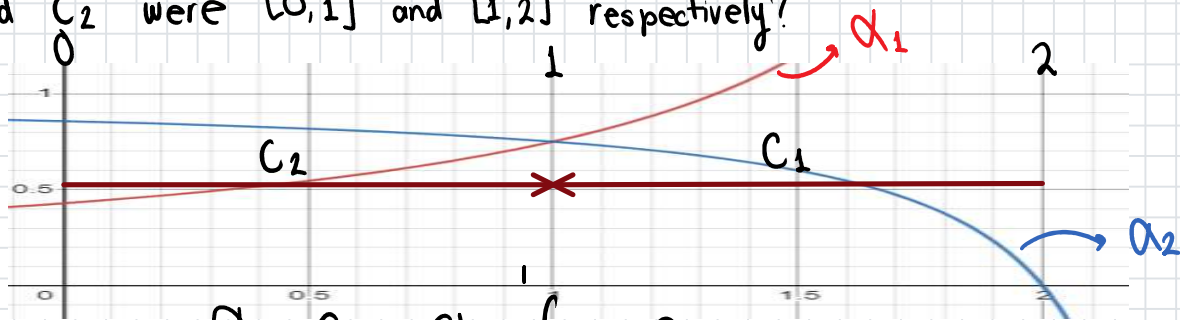
• We classify in C_2 if $P(C_2|x) > 0,5$, this is the complement of the previous case and if the math has been done right this will be $\boxed{x \geq \frac{5}{3}}$

So, finally we get:

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{choose } C_1 \text{ if } 0 \leq x < \frac{5}{3} \\ \text{choose } C_2 \text{ if } \frac{5}{3} \leq x \leq 2 \end{array} \right.$

b) Now we have a different situation, because of now we have a cost λ_{ij} associated with the classification of an example x from class C_j into class C_i . Suppose that $\lambda_{11} = \lambda_{22} = 0$

What values λ_{12} and λ_{21} will make the classification intervals of x for C_1 and C_2 were $[0, 1]$ and $[1, 2]$ respectively?



$K=2$ $\alpha_1 = C_1 \rightarrow$ Classify in C_1
 $\alpha_2 = C_2 \rightarrow$ Classify in C_2

	C_1	C_2
α_1	0	λ_{12}
α_2	λ_{21}	0

$$R(\alpha_1 | x) = \sum_{k=1}^2 \lambda_{1k} P(C_k | x)$$

$$R(\alpha_2 | x) = \lambda_{21} P(C_1 | x) + \lambda_{12} P(C_2 | x)$$

$$R(\alpha_1 | x) = \lambda_{12} P(C_2 | x)$$

$$P(C_2 | x) = \frac{1}{7-3x} \quad P(C_1 | x) = \frac{6-3x}{7-3x}$$

$$R(\alpha_1 | x) = \lambda_{12} \left[\frac{1}{7-3x} \right] \quad R(\alpha_2 | x) = \lambda_{21} \left[\frac{6-3x}{7-3x} \right]$$

We choose α_1 if: and we choose α_2 if:

$$\lambda_{12} \left[\frac{1}{7-3x} \right] < \lambda_{21} \left[\frac{6-3x}{7-3x} \right] \quad \lambda_{12} \left[\frac{1}{7-3x} \right] > \lambda_{21} \left[\frac{6-3x}{7-3x} \right]$$

Lets evaluate in $x=1$, that it have to be the border, so the risk will be the same

$$\lambda_{12} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) = \lambda_{21} \left(\frac{3}{4} \right) \quad \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\lambda_{21}} = \left(\frac{3 \cdot 1}{1} \right) = 3$$

We choose C_1 in $[0, 1]$, if the ratio of λ_{12} and λ_{21} is

$$\lambda_{12} / \lambda_{21} = 3$$