

Assignment 1

Please refer to the code for implementation of `mlParams()`. Figure 1 shows the result.

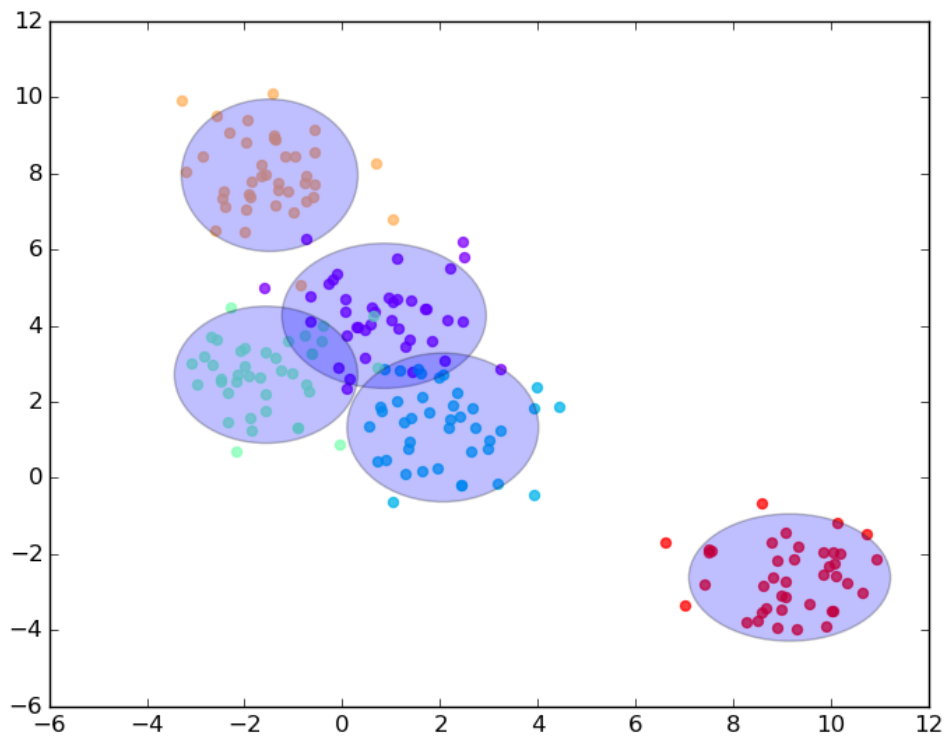


Figure 1: 95 % confidence intervals for data generated by `genBlobs(centers = 5)`

Assignment 2

Refer to code for implementations of `computePrior()` and `classifyBayes()`.

Assignment 3

The result of running `testClassifier(BayesClassifier(), dataset='iris', split=0.7)` and `testClassifier(BayesClassifier(), dataset='vowel', split=0.7)` is given:

```

Trial: 0 Accuracy 84.4
Trial: 10 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 20 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 30 Accuracy 86.7
Trial: 40 Accuracy 88.9
Trial: 50 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 60 Accuracy 86.7
Trial: 70 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 80 Accuracy 86.7
Trial: 90 Accuracy 91.1
Final mean classification accuracy 89 with standard deviation 4.16
Trial: 0 Accuracy 61
Trial: 10 Accuracy 66.2
Trial: 20 Accuracy 74
Trial: 30 Accuracy 66.9
Trial: 40 Accuracy 59.7
Trial: 50 Accuracy 64.3
Trial: 60 Accuracy 66.9
Trial: 70 Accuracy 63.6
Trial: 80 Accuracy 62.3
Trial: 90 Accuracy 70.8
Final mean classification accuracy 64.7 with standard deviation 4.03

```

The decision boundary for the 2D-iris data is depicted in Figure 2.

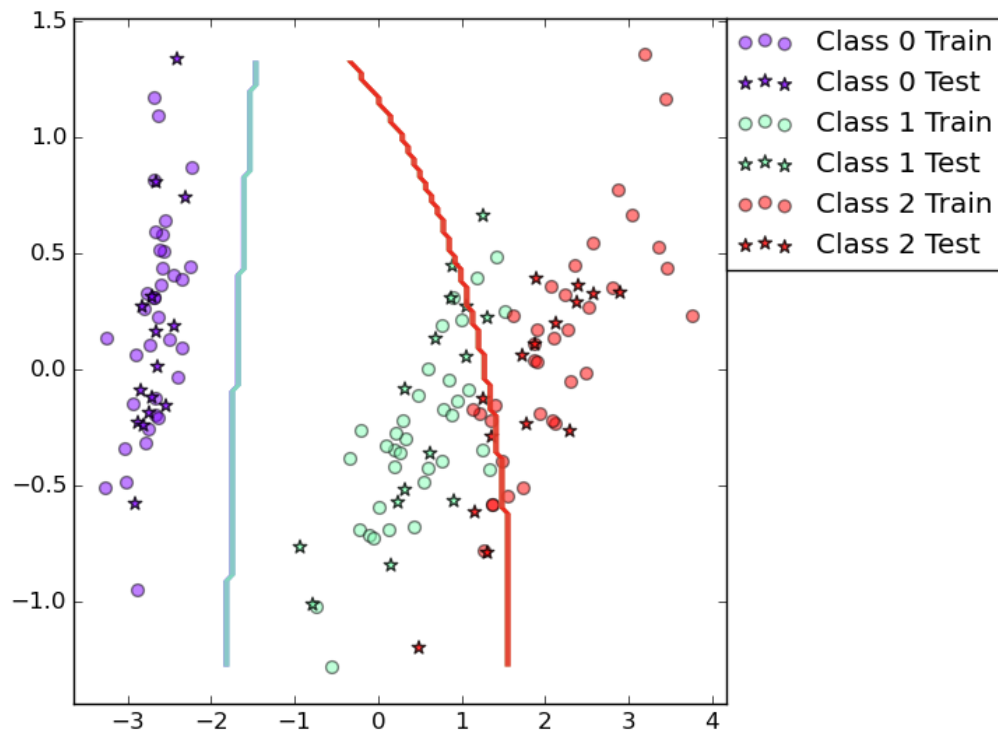


Figure 2: Boundary for the iris data.

Questions:

1) When can feature independence assumption be reasonable?

A: When one may assume that there is no or little correlation between the features. In the Iris-set one may assume that there is positive correlation between petal width and petal length (or sepal width & length), c.f. <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Iris>.

2) How does the decision boundary look for the iris dataset? How could one improve the results for this scenario by changing the classifier, or by manipulating the data?

A: It looks like class 0 is has fairly uncorrelated features while class 1 and class 2 has not. One could use a “non-naive” Bayes classifier, i.e. where it is not necessarily the case that $\Sigma(m, n) = 0, \quad n \neq m$. One could possibly make non linear transformation of the data.

Assignment 4

Refer to code for the augmented functions `mlParams()`

Assignment 5

Refer to code for augmented function `computePrior()`. Also for implementations of `trainBoost()` and `classifyBoost()`. The results of running

```
testClassifier(BoostClassifier(BayesClassifier(), T=10), dataset='iris', split=0.7)
testClassifier(BoostClassifier(BayesClassifier(), T=10), dataset='vowel', split=0.7)
```

are given below. Decision boundary for the iris data using boosting is given in Figure 5.

```

Trial: 0 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 10 Accuracy 100
Trial: 20 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 30 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 40 Accuracy 97.8
Trial: 50 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 60 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 70 Accuracy 97.8
Trial: 80 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 90 Accuracy 93.3
Final mean classification accuracy 94.7 with standard deviation 2.82
Trial: 0 Accuracy 76.6
Trial: 10 Accuracy 86.4
Trial: 20 Accuracy 83.1
Trial: 30 Accuracy 80.5
Trial: 40 Accuracy 72.7
Trial: 50 Accuracy 76
Trial: 60 Accuracy 81.8
Trial: 70 Accuracy 82.5
Trial: 80 Accuracy 79.9
Trial: 90 Accuracy 83.1
Final mean classification accuracy 80.2 with standard deviation 3.52

```

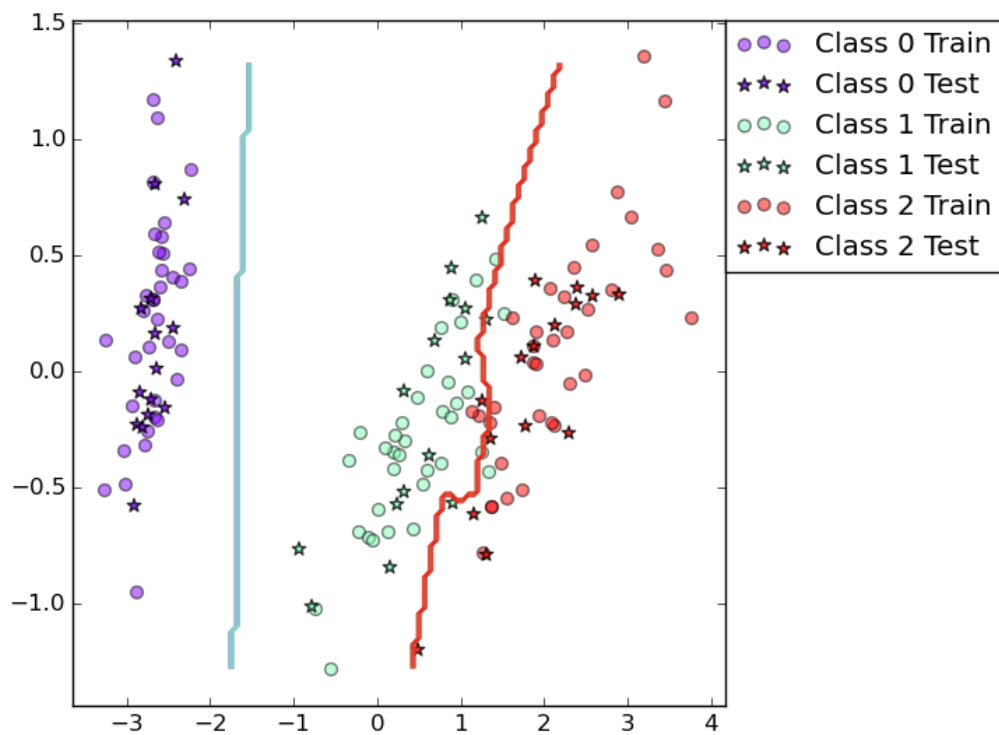


Figure 3: Boundary for the iris data using boosting.

Questions:

1) Is there any improvement in classification accuracy? Why/why not?

A: Yes, this is because the boosting puts more weight on the missclassified points

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2) Plot the decision boundary of the boosted classifier for the iris set. What differences do you notice? Is the boundary of the boosted version more complex?

A: See Figures 2 and 5. Yes, more complex. Also copes better with the correlation

3) Can we make up for not using a more complex model by using boosting? E.g. not using independent features.

A: Yes, at least to some extent.

Assignment 6

Result of running

```
testClassifier(DecisionTreeClassifier(), dataset='iris', split=0.7)
testClassifier(BoostClassifier(DecisionTreeClassifier(), T=10), dataset='iris',split=0.7)
testClassifier(DecisionTreeClassifier(), dataset='vowel',split=0.7)
testClassifier(BoostClassifier(DecisionTreeClassifier(), T=10), dataset='vowel',split=0.7)
```

is given:

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Trial: 10 Accuracy 100
Trial: 20 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 30 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 40 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 50 Accuracy 91.1
Trial: 60 Accuracy 88.9
Trial: 70 Accuracy 88.9
Trial: 80 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 90 Accuracy 88.9
Final mean classification accuracy 92.4 with standard deviation 3.71
Trial: 0 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 10 Accuracy 100
Trial: 20 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 30 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 40 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 50 Accuracy 95.6
Trial: 60 Accuracy 88.9
Trial: 70 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 80 Accuracy 93.3
Trial: 90 Accuracy 93.3
Final mean classification accuracy 94.6 with standard deviation 3.65
Trial: 0 Accuracy 63.6
Trial: 10 Accuracy 68.8
Trial: 20 Accuracy 63.6
Trial: 30 Accuracy 66.9
Trial: 40 Accuracy 59.7
Trial: 50 Accuracy 63
Trial: 60 Accuracy 59.7
Trial: 70 Accuracy 68.8
Trial: 80 Accuracy 59.7
Trial: 90 Accuracy 68.2
Final mean classification accuracy 64.1 with standard deviation 4
Trial: 0 Accuracy 85.7
Trial: 10 Accuracy 90.3
Trial: 20 Accuracy 88.3
Trial: 30 Accuracy 90.9
Trial: 40 Accuracy 84.4
Trial: 50 Accuracy 81.2
Trial: 60 Accuracy 87.7
Trial: 70 Accuracy 86.4
Trial: 80 Accuracy 87
Trial: 90 Accuracy 90.3
Final mean classification accuracy 86.7 with standard deviation 2.7
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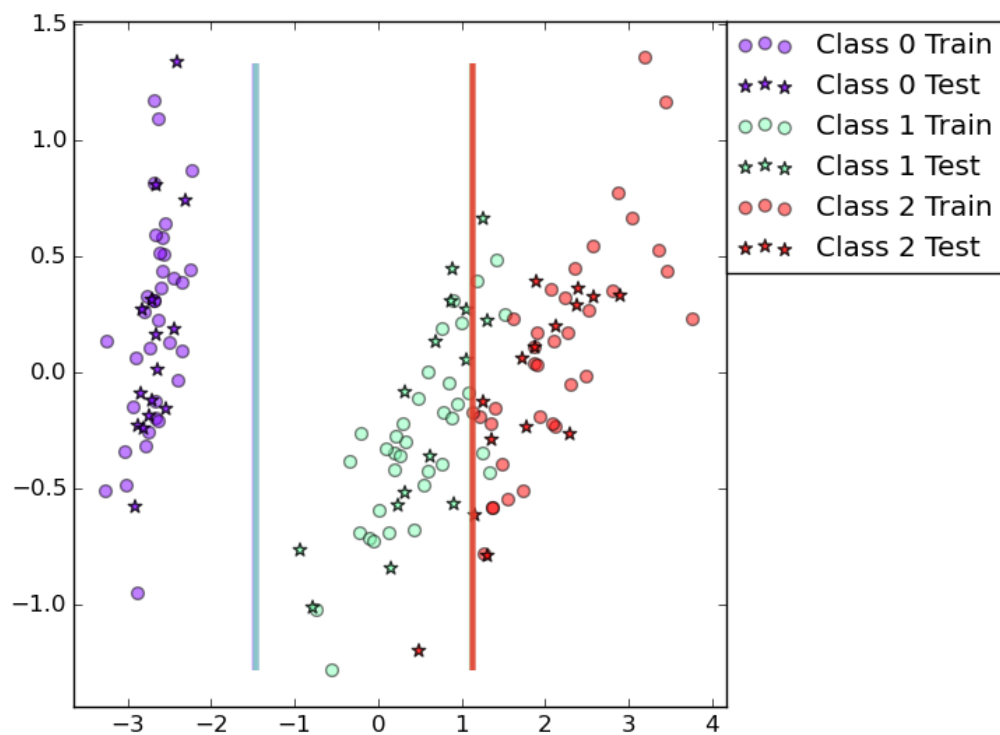


Figure 4: Decision tree.

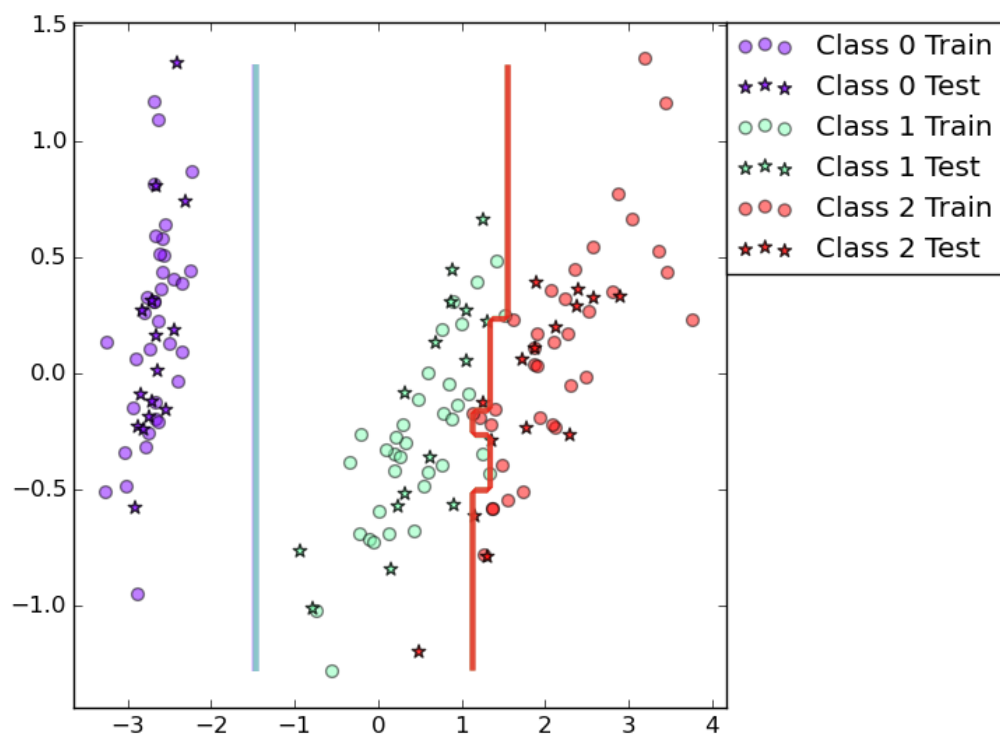


Figure 5: Boosted decision tree.

Questions:

1) Is there any improvement in classification accuracy? Why/why not?

A:

2) Plot the decision boundary of the boosted classifier for the iris set. What differences do you notice? Is the boundary of the boosted version more complex?

A:

3) Can we make up for not using a more complex model by using boosting? E.g. not using independent features.

A: