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Which of the following option(s) is/are true about generative and discriminative models? Choose all that apply from the statements below:

- Generative models model the probability distribution of each class
- Discriminative models model the probability distribution of each class
- Generative models learn the decision boundary between the classes
- ☑ Discriminative models learn the decision boundary between the classes



Solution:

Generative models work by explicitly modelling the probability distribution of each of the individual classes in the training data. For instance, Gaussian generative models fit a Gaussian probability distribution to the training data in order to estimate the probability of a new data point belonging to different classes during prediction.

Discriminative models learn explicit decision boundary between classes. For instance, SVM classifier which is a discriminative model learns its decision boundary by minimizing the distance between training data points and a learned decision boundary.

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