

## 1 Problem 1

a)

We need to show

$$P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} \times p(x) dx$$

and according to the equation from question, we know,

$$\int P(error|x) \times p(x) dx \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} \times p(x) dx$$

By Fundamental theorem of calculus, we just need to show the equality,

$$P(error|x) \leq \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}}$$

we know,

$$P(error|x) = \min[P(w_1|x), P(w_2|x)]$$

to show the equality:

$$\begin{aligned} \min[P(w_1|x), P(w_2|x)] &\leq \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} \\ \min[P(w_1|x), P(w_2|x)] \times \left( \frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)} \right) &\leq 2 \\ \min \left[ 1 + \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)}, 1 + \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} \right] &\leq 2 \\ \min \left[ \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)}, \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} \right] &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

we know the decision,

$$= \begin{cases} w_1, & \text{if } P(w_1|x) \geq P(w_2|x) \\ w_2, & \text{if } P(w_2|x) \geq P(w_1|x) \end{cases}$$

if decided  $w_1$ ,

$$\min \left[ \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)}, \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} \right] = \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} < 1$$

if decided  $w_2$ ,

$$\min \left[ \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)}, \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} \right] = \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)} < 1$$

when  $P(w_1|x) = P(w_2|x)$ ,

$$\min \left[ \frac{P(w_1|x)}{P(w_2|x)}, \frac{P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x)} \right] = 1$$

Proved.

b)

we know,  $P(w_1|x) = \frac{P(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{P(x)}$ ,  $P(w_2|x) = \frac{P(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{P(x)}$ , and the equality from a) we rewrite it as below:

$$P(error) \leq \int \frac{2}{\frac{1}{P(w_1|x)} + \frac{1}{P(w_2|x)}} \times p(x) dx$$

$$P(error) \leq \int \frac{2P(w_1|x)P(w_2|x)}{P(w_1|x) + P(w_2|x)} p(x) dx$$

then we plug the equations of  $P(w_1|x)$  and  $P(w_2|x)$  into the inequality :

$$P(error) \leq \int \frac{2P(x|w_1)P(w_1)P(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{P(x|w_1)P(w_1) + P(x|w_2)P(w_2)} dx$$

plug the values of  $P(x|w_1)$  and  $P(x|w_2)$  into the inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} P(error) &\leq \int \frac{2\pi^{-1}P(w_1)P(w_2)}{P(w_1)(1+(x+\mu)^2) + P(w_2)(1+(x+\mu)^2)} dx \\ &\leq \int \frac{2\pi^{-1}P(w_1)P(w_2)}{[P(w_1) + P(w_2) + (P(w_1) + P(w_2))\mu^2] + [P(w_1) + P(w_2)]x^2 + [P(w_1) - P(w_2)] \times 2\mu x} dx \\ &\quad (ps : P(w_1) + P(w_2) = 1) \\ &\leq \int \frac{2\pi^{-1}P(w_1)P(w_2)}{(1+\mu^2) + x^2 + (P(w_1) - P(w_2)) \times 2\mu x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Lemma from question,

$$\int \frac{1}{ax^2 + bx + c} dx = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{4ac - b^2}}$$

, when  $b^2 \leq 4ac$ , in our case,  $4\mu^2(P(w_1) - P(w_2)) - 4(1 + \mu^2) < 0$ , because  $|P(w_1) - P(w_2)| \leq 1$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} P(error) &\leq 2\pi^{-1}P(w_1)P(w_2) \times \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{4(1+\mu^2) - 4\mu^2(P(w_1) - P(w_2))}} \\ &\leq \frac{4P(w_1)P(w_2)}{2\sqrt{1+\mu^2 - \mu^2[(P(w_1) + P(w_2))^2 - 4P(w_1)P(w_2)]}} \\ &\quad (ps : P(w_1) + P(w_2) = 1) \\ &\leq \frac{2P(w_1)P(w_2)}{\sqrt{1 + 4\mu^2P(w_1)P(w_2)}} \end{aligned}$$

Proved

c)

We know that  $P(error) = \int P(error, x)dx$ , marginalizing out a random variable from joint distribution is same as sum of all the probabilities  $P(error, x)$ , so if there is no upper bound of error, we can just simply aggregate all the  $P(error, x)$ . But when  $x$  is a continuous variable, we need to consider how long of each bin width to sum them up, it's better to divide the whole interval as small as possible. For the low-dimensional data, it's computationally feasible to realize the calculation, however, for the high-dimensional, we have to not only consider the computation, but also need to "think of" the curse of high-dimensional, by the increasing the dimensions, the accuracy would decrease.

## 2 Problem 2

a)

As we know, when  $P(w_1|x) = P(w_2|x)$ , the error would reach the Maximum value, so:

$$P(w_1|x) = \frac{P(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{P(x)} = P(w_2|x) = \frac{P(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{P(x)}$$

$$\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} = \frac{P(x|w_2)}{P(x|w_1)} = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-|x+\mu|}{\sigma}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|x-\mu|}{\sigma}\right)}$$

then we made logarithms on both sides, we get:

$$\ln\left(\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)}\right) = \frac{-|x+\mu|}{\sigma} + \frac{|x-\mu|}{\sigma}$$

Therefore, the Bayes decision Boundary is the set of points  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , that satisfy above the equation, we could set a new set  $Z$ ,  $Z \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$Z = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | |x-\mu| - |x+\mu| = \sigma[\ln P(w_1) - \ln P(w_2)]\}$$

b)

The optimal decision is always the first class  $w_1$ , it should satisfy:  $P(w_1|x) > P(w_2|x)$ , so we could get the relationship on below, and the process is same as question a).

$$\frac{P(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{P(x)} > \frac{P(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{P(x)}$$

$$\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} > \frac{P(x|w_2)}{P(x|w_1)} = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-|x+\mu|}{\sigma}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-|x-\mu|}{\sigma}\right)}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)}\right) > \frac{-|x+\mu|}{\sigma} + \frac{|x-\mu|}{\sigma}$$

we know that  $||x| - |y|| \leq |x - y|$ , therefore,  $||x+\mu| - |x-\mu|| \leq |2\mu|$

$$\sigma \ln\left(\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)}\right) > 2|\mu|$$

c) The similar process as a),b)

$$P(w_1|x) = \frac{P(x|w_1)P(w_1)}{P(x)} = P(w_2|x) = \frac{P(x|w_2)P(w_2)}{P(x)}$$

$$\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} = \frac{P(x|w_2)}{P(x|w_1)} = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-(x+\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\exp\left(\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}$$

$$\ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) = \frac{-(x + \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$2\sigma^2 \ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) = -(x + \mu)^2 + (x - \mu)^2$$

$$2\sigma^2 \ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) = -4\mu x$$

If we want to always predict the first class  $w_1$ , so it should satisfy the inequality:

$$2\sigma^2 \ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) > -4\mu x$$

$$(ps : P(w_1|x) > P(w_2|x))$$

Then, we could deduce that

$$P(w_1) > P(w_2)$$

$$\frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} > 1$$

$$\ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) > 0$$

$$2\sigma^2 \ln \left( \frac{P(w_1)}{P(w_2)} \right) > 0$$

Only when  $\mu = 0$ , the inequality will hold.