

Problem 1

Consider a **real-valued** random variable x .

Under hypothesis \mathcal{H}_0 , x is described by the pdf:

$$p(x|\mathcal{H}_0) = \begin{cases} \cos x & \text{for } 0 < x < \pi/2 \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \pi/2 \end{cases}$$

While under hypothesis \mathcal{H}_1 , x is described by the pdf:

$$p(x|\mathcal{H}_1) = \begin{cases} \sin x & \text{for } 0 < x < \pi/2 \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \pi/2 \end{cases}$$

The *a priori* probabilities of these two hypotheses are:

$$\Pr(\mathcal{H}_0) = 0.75 \quad \text{and} \quad \Pr(\mathcal{H}_1) = 0.25$$

From a **single** observation x , we must attempt to **choose** the correct hypothesis (\mathcal{H}_0 or \mathcal{H}_1).

1. Determine the Likelihood Ratio Test (i.e., **determine** $L(x)$ and y) for both the **Maximum Likelihood** (ML) and **MAP** detection criteria.

2. Simplify the LRT, such that the decision rule can be expressed in terms of this **detection statistic**:

$$T_d(x) = x$$

For **this** detection statistic, determine the values of threshold γ' for **both** the ML and MAP criteria.

3. Determine the **probability of error** $Pr(\epsilon)$ for **both** the MAP and the ML decision rule.

Which decision rule exhibits the larger $Pr(\epsilon)$? **Why is this true?**

4. Say that the **Neyman-Pearson** criterion is used, so that the probability of false alarm is

$$P_{FA} = 0.293$$

Determine the resulting **probability of detection** P_D

1. Determine the Likelihood Ratio Test (i.e. $L(x)$ and y) for both the ML and MAP detection criteria.

MAP Detection Criteria

Given the likelihood functions $p(x|H_0)$ and $p(x|H_1)$ as well as the a priori probabilities $p(H_0)$ and $p(H_1)$ for hypotheses H_0 and H_1 , the maximum a posteriori probability densities can be computed using

$$p(H_0|x) = \frac{p(x|H_0)p(H_0)}{p(x|H_0)p(H_0) + p(x|H_1)p(H_1)} \quad p(H_1|x) = \frac{p(x|H_1)p(H_1)}{p(x|H_0)p(H_0) + p(x|H_1)p(H_1)}$$

where

$$p(x|H_0) = \begin{cases} \cos(x) & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}, \quad p(x|H_1) = \begin{cases} \sin(x) & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}, \quad p(H_0) = 0.75, \quad p(H_1) = 0.25$$

Plugging these values into the a posteriori expression yields

$$p(H_0|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\cos(x)(0.75)}{\cos(x)(0.75) + \sin(x)(0.25)} & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$p(H_1|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(x)(0.25)}{\cos(x)(0.75) + \sin(x)(0.25)} & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

Simplifying the above by factoring out constants and utilizing trigonometric identities leaves

$$p(H_0|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1 + (1/3)\tan(x)} & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases} \quad p(H_1|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\tan(x)}{3 + \tan(x)} & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < 0, x > \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

From these posteriori expressions, the MAP binary decision rule is written and rearranged into a likelihood ratio.

$$\text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } p(H_1|x) > p(H_0|x) \rightarrow \text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } \frac{p(H_1|x)}{p(H_0|x)} = L(x) > 1.0$$

Plugging in the simplified versions of $p(H_0|x)$ and $p(H_1|x)$ and further simplifying the likelihood ratio gives

$$L(x) = \frac{\frac{\tan(x)}{3 + \tan(x)}}{\frac{1}{1 + (1/3)\tan(x)}} = \frac{\tan(x)}{3 + \tan(x)} \cdot \frac{1 + (1/3)\tan(x)}{1} = \frac{\tan(x)}{3}$$

Including this simplified form into the decision rule as well as the bounds on x leaves

$$\text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } \tan(x) > 3.0 \text{ and } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

ML Decision Criteria

The ML decision criteria is derived very similarly to the MAP except that no a priori understanding of either hypothesis is included and therefore the decision rule is expressed solely by the likelihood functions of H_0 and H_1 producing the measurement.

$$\text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } p(x|H_1) > p(x|H_0) \rightarrow \text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } \frac{p(x|H_1)}{p(x|H_0)} = L(x) > 1.0$$

Plugging in the know values of $p(x|H_0)$ and $p(x|H_1)$ then simplifying the likelihood ratio leaves

$$\text{Choose } H_1 \text{ if } \tan(x) > 1.0 \text{ and } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

2. Simplify the LRT such that the decision rule can be expressed in terms of the detection statistic:

$T_d(x) = x$. For this detection statistic, determine the values of threshold y' for both the ML and MAP criteria.

To convert the ML and MAP decision rules into one where the detection statistic $T_d(x)$ is equal to the measurement itself, the inverse tangent is taken on both sides of each inequality.

$$\text{ML: Choose } H_1 \text{ if } T_d(x) = x > \tan^{-1}(1.0) \text{ and } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{MAP: Choose } H_1 \text{ if } T_d(x) = x > \tan^{-1}(3.0) \text{ and } 0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

3. Determine the probability of error $Pr(e)$ for both the MAP and ML decision rule.

The probability of error is the probabilistic view of making the wrong decision--meaning we choose hypothesis H_i when the measurement instead lies in the region corresponding to hypothesis H_j . Mathematically, this is found as the expected value of the conditional distribution between the error e and measurement x :

$$Pr(e) = E_x\{p(e|x)\} = \int Pr(e|x)p(x)dx$$

For the **ML** detector

$$p(e|x) = \begin{cases} 1 - p(x|H_0) & \text{for } 0 < x < y' \\ 1 - p(x|H_1) & \text{for } y' < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases} \rightarrow Pr(e|x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \cos(x) & \text{for } 0 < x < \tan^{-1}(1) \\ 1 - \sin(x) & \text{for } \tan^{-1}(1) < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$p(x) = \frac{\cos(x) + \sin(x)}{2}$$

Subbing these equations into the intergal given above for $Pr(e)$ yeilds

$$Pr(e) = \int_0^{\tan^{-1}(1)} (1 - \cos(x)) \frac{\cos(x) + \sin(x)}{2} dx + \int_{\tan^{-1}(1)}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - \sin(x)) \frac{\cos(x) + \sin(x)}{2} dx$$

$$Pr(e) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi}{8} = 0.1073$$

For the **MAP** detector

$$p(e|x) = \begin{cases} 1 - p(x|H_0) & \text{for } 0 < x < y' \\ 1 - p(x|H_1) & \text{for } y' < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases} \rightarrow Pr(e|x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \cos(x) & \text{for } 0 < x < \tan^{-1}(3) \\ 1 - \sin(x) & \text{for } \tan^{-1}(3) < x < \frac{\pi}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$p(x) = (0.75) \cos(x) + (0.25) \sin(x)$$

Subbing these equations into the intergal given above for $Pr(e)$ yeilds

$$Pr(e) = \int_0^{\tan^{-1}(3)} (1 - \cos(x))((0.75) \cos(x) + (0.25) \sin(x))dx + \int_{\tan^{-1}(3)}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - \sin(x))((0.75) \cos(x) + (0.25) \sin(x))dx$$

$$Pr(e) = \frac{7}{10} - \frac{\tan^{-1}(3)}{4} - \frac{\pi}{16} = 0.1914$$

4. Using a Neyman-Pearson criterion with a probability of false alarm rate of 0.293, determine the resulting probability of detection P_D .

Building upon the fact that the detection statistic for both the ML and MAP detectors is the measurement itself, i.e. $T_d(x) = x$, we now determine a new region such that the probability of error (specifically false alarm) is fixed. To do this we recall that

$$P_{FA} = P(T_d(x) = x \in \mathcal{R}_1 | H_0) = \int_{x \in \mathcal{R}_1} p(x|H_0)dx$$

$$P_D = P(T_d(x) = x \in \mathcal{R}_1 | H_1) = \int_{x \in \mathcal{R}_1} p(x|H_1)dx$$

Fixing P_{FA} as 0.293, we must find the new decision region \mathcal{R}_1 that satisfies the equation

$$0.293 = \int_{x \in \mathcal{R}_1} p(x|H_0)dx \rightarrow 0.293 = \int_0^{y'} \cos(x)dx$$

Being that the cosine operator is bijective, meaning its direct inverse exists, we can rearrange to directly solve for the upper bound y' .

$$0.293 = \sin(y') \rightarrow y' = 0.297$$

Using the derived new region that keeps P_{FA} fixed to 0.293, the probability of detection is computed

$$P_D = \int_0^{y'} \sin(x)dx \rightarrow P_D = \int_0^{0.297} \sin(x)dx \rightarrow P_D = 0.044$$