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1 Probability and Discriminant Classifiers

Part 1: Maximum and Posterior v Probability of Chance

PART I: Maximum Posterior vs Probability of Chance Show/explain that $P(\omega_{\max}|\mathbf{x}) \geq \frac{1}{c}$ when we are using the Bayes decision rule, where c is the number of classes. Derive an expression for $p(\text{err})$. Let ω_{\max} be the state of nature for which $P(\omega_{\max}|\mathbf{x}) \geq P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x})$ for $i = 1, \dots, c$. Show that $p(\text{err}) \leq (c-1)/c$ when we use the Bayes rule to make a decision. Hint, use the results from the previous questions.

Answer:

①

FIND $P(\text{err})$

FACT: $P(w_{\max}|x) \geq \frac{1}{c}$

a) The FACT $P(w_{\max}|x) \geq \frac{1}{c}$ states in plain english that for a set of classes $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_c$ where x is a matrix of variables representing a sample and c is the number of classes (w) :

- the maximum likelihood of having class w_j given a set of variables x is at least as large as $1/c$.

- This is most intuitive when we think of chance. For example if you have a fair coin, the probability of heads v. tails is $1/c$, $c=2$, $1/2$. Even if the coin were unfair, the maximum probability of the unfair side would have to be at least $1/2$, say $2/3$, or $3/4$.

b) Prove $p(\text{err}) \leq (c-1)/c$
 recall: $p(x) = \sum_{y \in Y} P(X=Y=y)$ (marginal distribution)

substituting "error" for X and x for Y , and using integral notation
 $p(\text{error}) = \int_x P(\text{error}, x) dx$

using the product rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\text{error}) &= \int_x p(\text{error}|x) p(x) \cdot dx && \text{- given } p(\text{error}|x) + p(w_{\max}|x) = 1 \\
 &= \int_x (1 - p(w_{\max}|x)) p(x) dx && \text{- using properties of integrals} \\
 &= \int_{U_X} p(x) dx - \int_x p(w_{\max}|x) dx && \text{- where } p(w_{\max}|x) \geq \frac{1}{c} \\
 &&& \text{- where } p(x) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{P(\text{err}) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{c}} \leftarrow \text{proof complete}$$

Part 2: Bayes Decision Rule Classifier



PART II: Bayes Decision Rule Classifier Let the elements of a vector $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_d]^T$ be binary valued. Let $P(\omega_j)$ be the prior probability of the class ω_j ($j \in [c]$), and let

$$p_{ij} = P(x_i = 1 | \omega_j)$$

with all elements in \mathbf{x} being independent. If $P(\omega_1) = P(\omega_2) = \frac{1}{2}$, and $p_{i1} = p > \frac{1}{2}$ and $p_{i2} = 1 - p$, show that the minimum error decision rule is

$$\text{Choose } \omega_1 \text{ if } \sum_{i=1}^d x_i > \frac{d}{2}$$

Hint: Think back to ECE503 and types of random variables then start out with

$$\text{Choose } \omega_1 \text{ if } P(\omega_1)P(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1) > P(\omega_2)P(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2)$$

Answer

II

$$P(w_1) = P(w_2) = 1/2$$

$p = P_{i1}(\geq \frac{1}{2})$ The probability that $x_i = 1$ given class = 1

$1-p = P_{i2}(\leq \frac{1}{2})$ The probability that $x_i = 1$ given class = 2

Show that Decision rule is:

Choose w_1 if $\sum_{i=1}^d x_i > \frac{d}{2}$, \Leftrightarrow choose w_1 if more than half of elements in X are 1 than

Recall x is independent

- $P(w_1) P(x|w_1) > P(w_2) P(x|w_2)$
- $P(x|w_1) > P(x|w_2)$
- $\prod_{i=1}^d P(x_i|w_1) > \prod_{i=1}^d P(x_i|w_2)$

Drawing from the principle of Bernoulli, because this is a binary variable

$$p^K (1-p)^{(d-K)} > (1-p)^K p^{(d-K)}$$

where $K = \# \text{ successes}$

$$p^K (1-p)^d (1-p)^{-K} > (1-p)^K p^d p^{-K}$$

$$(1-p)^d p^{-K} > (1-p)^{K-K} p^{-K} (1-p)^K$$

$$(1-p)^d p^{-d} > (1-p)^{2K} p^{-2K}$$

$$\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right)^d > \left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right)^{2K}$$

$$F = \left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right)$$

$$F^d > F^{2K} \Rightarrow F^{d-2K} > 1$$

$$\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right)^{d-2K} > 1$$

recall $p > \frac{1}{2}$, $p-1 < \frac{1}{2}$ so $\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right) < 1$

Proof by trial & error

- if condition satisfied, choose w_1
- if condition not satisfied, choose w_2

Proof by trial and error

$$\left(\frac{1-p}{p}\right)^{d-2k} > 1$$

where $\left[\frac{1-p}{p} < 1\right] \leftarrow F$

(1) Condition $k=0$

$$(F < 1)^d > 1$$

Result: because exponent is a positive #, then left hand side does (L.H.S.) < Right hand side (R.H.S.). choose w_2

This condition is if there 0 elements = 1

(2) Condition $k=d$

$$(F < 1)^{(-d)} > 1$$

Result: exponent is negative so L.H.S. > R.H.S. choose w_1

This condition if all elements = 1

(3) Condition $k = \frac{d}{2}$

$$(F < 1)^0 > 1$$

Result: exponent is 0 so L.H.S. < R.H.S. choose w_2

This condition if half of elements = 1

From condition 3 we know if $k = \frac{d}{2} + 1$, then we must choose w_1 . In plain words, if more than half of elements in $x = 1$ then choose w_1 .

This is identical to:

$$\text{choose } w_1 \text{ if } \sum_{i=1}^d x_i > \frac{d}{2}$$

Part 3: The Ditzler Household Growing Up

PART III: The Ditzler Household Growing Up My parents have two kids now grown into adults. Obviously there is me, Greg. I was born on a Wednesday. What is the probability that I have a brother? You can assume that $\mathbb{P}(\text{boy}) = \mathbb{P}(\text{girl}) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Answer

	B								6						
	M	T	W	Th	F	S	Su		M	T	W	Th	F	S	Su
B		x							M						
	T		x						T						
	W	x	x	x	x	x	x		W	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Th		x						Th						
	F		x						F						
	S		x						S						
	Su		x						Su						

	B								6						
	M	T	W	Th	F	S	Su		M	T	W	Th	F	S	Su
6		x							M						
	T		x						T						
	W		x						W						
	Th		x						Th						
	F		x						F						
	S		x						S						
	Su		x						Su						

$$P(B) = 1/2 \quad P(6) = 1/2$$

$$P(BB) = 1/4 \quad P(B6) = 1/4$$

$$P(6B) = 1/4 \quad P(66) = 1/4$$

We want: $P(BB|B) = \frac{P(B|BB) \cdot P(BB)}{P(B)}$

$$\text{So } P(BB|B) = \frac{\sum BB}{\sum \text{all}} = \frac{13}{13+14} = \frac{13}{27} = 48\%$$

Part 4: Bayes Classifier

PART IV: Bayes classifier Let consider a Bayes classifier with $p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_i)$ distributed as a multi-variate Gaussian with mean μ_i and covariance $\Sigma_i = \sigma^2 I$ (note they all share the same covariance). We choose the class that has the largest

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \log(p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_i)P(\omega_i)) \propto \mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x} + w_{0i}$$

Find \mathbf{w}_i and w_{0i} . Fact:

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_i) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} |\Sigma_i|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_i) \right\}$$

Answer?

IV Bayes Classifier

prove that

$$g_i(x) = \log(p(x|w_i)Pw_i) \propto w_i^T + w_{0i}$$

$$g_i(x) = \log(p(x|w_i)Pw_i)$$

$$g_i(x) = \log(p(x|w_i)) + \log(Pw_i)$$

We know $p(x|w_i) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma_i|^{1/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - u_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - u_i) \right\}$

$$g_i(x) = \log \left(\frac{|\Sigma_i|^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (x - u_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - u_i) \right\} \right) + \log(Pw_i)$$

Now break up log

$$= \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_i|}_{(1)} - \underbrace{\frac{d}{2} \log(2\pi)}_{(1)} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (x - u_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (x - u_i)}_{(2)} + \log(Pw_i)$$

Now - simplify

(1) remove constants

(2) $\Sigma_i = \sigma^2 I$, where σ^2 are constant w/in each class, so sub σ^2

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - u_i)^T (x - u_i) + \log(Pw_i)$$

Further simplify that:

$$g_i x = \frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} \left(x^T x - 2u_i^T x + u_i^T u_i \right) + \log(P(w_i))$$

Our task is to maximize $g_i x$ for a given x , so

- ① $x^T x$ is constant for all class w_i . As such it reduces to ϕ (is subtracted)
- ② gets distributed

$$g_i x \arg \max = \left\{ \frac{-u_i^T x}{\sigma^2} - \frac{u_i^T u_i}{2\sigma^2} + \log(P(w_i)) \right\}$$

quick check for any more constants that wouldn't affect the comparison. I think though σ^2 is technically identical for each we need to keep it in there because it scales the bias depending on $\log(P(w_i))$. Multiplying out

I think:

$$g_i x \arg \max = \left\{ \underbrace{u_i^T x}_{W_i^T} - \underbrace{\frac{u_i^T u_i}{2}}_{W_{0i}} + \sigma^2 \cdot \log(P(w_i)) \right\}$$

$$\text{where } W_i^T = u_i^T, \quad W_{0i} = \frac{u_i^T u_i}{2} + \sigma^2 \log(P(w_i))$$

