

QUIZ 1: 7:00-7:40 pm (60 points total)

Note: This is a **closed-book** exam. Please write your answers on clean sheets of letter paper using a pen or pencil, and upload the scanned pages on Gradescope, indicating the page numbers corresponding to your answers when you upload on Gradescope.

1. **[Bayes Classifier (10 points)]**

Consider the binary hypothesis testing problem:

$$H_{-1} : X \sim p(x| - 1)$$

$$H_1 : X \sim p(x|1)$$

where

$$p(x| - 1) = \begin{cases} 0.1 & x = 0 \\ 0.3 & x = 1 \\ 0.5 & x = 2 \\ 0.1 & x = 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad p(x|1) = \begin{cases} 0.6 & x = 0 \\ 0.1 & x = 1 \\ 0.1 & x = 2 \\ 0.2 & x = 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with priors $\pi_{-1} = 0.2, \pi_1 = 0.8$.

- (a) Find the Bayes classifier (MAP decision rule).
- (b) Calculate the probability of error for the Bayes classifier.

2. **[Linear Discriminant Functions(10 points)]**

Consider a 3-ary linear classifier, with classes 1, 2, and 3, for which the three linear discriminant functions are:

$$g_{12}(\underline{x}) = x_1 + x_2 - 2$$

$$g_{13}(\underline{x}) = 2x_1 - x_2 - 3$$

$$g_{23}(\underline{x}) = x_1 - 2x_2 - 1$$

Classify the input \underline{x} with $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 5$.

3. **[Logistic Regression (10 points)]**

In (binary) logistic regression we model the probabilities of the labels given the feature vector as:

$$p(1|\underline{x}) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \underline{\beta}^\top \underline{x})}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \underline{\beta}^\top \underline{x})}, \quad p(-1|\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \underline{\beta}^\top \underline{x})}$$

where β_0 and $\underline{\beta}$ are estimated from the training data.

Show that such a model results in a linear classifier.

4. **[Concepts (30 points)]**

Answer in one or two complete sentences.

- (a) What is the difference between prediction error and validation error?
- (b) The Bayes classifier minimizes the prediction error. Why can we not use it in supervised learning?
- (c) What underlying assumption is made about the distribution of the feature vectors under each class in constructing the LDA classifier?
- (d) Explain, using a figure if necessary, how a binary SVM classifier is designed for linearly separable data.
- (e) Write down *one* of the advantages (pros) of the Naive Bayes classifier.
- (f) What is the difference between Model Selection and Model Assessment?