Homework 1

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Homework Description

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Problems (from Chapter 2 in the book): 2.1, 2.3 (a,b), 2.4, 2.7, 2.9, 2.17 (a,b)

Note: the book is available electronically on the Evans library website.

• Deadline: Sept. 26th, 11:59 pm

Computational Environment Setup

Third-party libraries

```
matplotlib inline
import sys # system information
import matplotlib # plotting
import scipy as st # scientific computing
import pandas as pd # data managing
import numpy as np # numerical comuptation
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.stats import multivariate_normal
from numpy.linalg import inv, det
# Matplotlib setting
plt.rcParams['text.usetex'] = True
matplotlib.rcParams['figure.dpi']= 300
```

Version

```
print(sys.version)
print(matplotlib.__version__)
print(st.__version__)
print(np.__version__)
print(pd.__version__)

3.8.12 (default, Oct 22 2021, 18:39:35)
[Clang 13.0.0 (clang-1300.0.29.3)]
3.3.1
1.5.2
1.19.1
1.1.1
```

Problem 2.1

Suppose that X is a discrete feature vector, with distribution concentrated over a countable set $D = \{x^1, x^2, ...\}$ in R^d . Derive the discrete versions of (2.3), (2.4), (2.8), (2.9), (2.11), (2.30), (2.34), and (2.36)

Hint: Note that if X has a discrete distribution, then integration becomes summation, $P(X=x_k)$, for $x_k \in D$, play the role of p(x), and $P(X=x_k|Y=y)$, for $x_k \in D$, play the role of p(x|Y=y), for y=0,1.

(2.3)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 16)

$$P(X \in E, Y = 0) = \int_{E} P(Y = 0)p(x|Y = 0)dx \tag{1}$$

$$P(X \in E, Y = 1) = \int_{E} P(Y = 1)p(x|Y = 1)dx \tag{2}$$

(3)

Let $x_k = [x_1, \dots, x_d]$ be the feature vector of X in set $D \in R^d,$

$$P(X \in D, Y = 0) = P(X = [x_1, \dots, x_d], Y = 0)$$
(4)

$$= \sum_{X \in D} P(Y=0) P(X=[x_1, \dots, x_d] | Y=0) \tag{5}$$

$$P(X \in D, Y = 1) = P(X = [x_1, \dots, x_d], Y = 1)$$
(6)

$$= \sum_{X \in D} P(Y=1)P(X=[x_1, \dots, x_d]|Y=1) \tag{7}$$

(8)

(2.4)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 17)

$$P(Y = 0|X = x_k) = \frac{P(Y = 0)p(X = x_k|Y = 0)}{p(X = x_k)}$$
(9)

$$=\frac{P(Y=0)p(X=x_k|Y=0)}{P(Y=0)p(X=x_k|Y=0)+P(Y=1)p(X=x_k|Y=1)} \tag{10}$$

(11)

$$P(Y=1|X=x_k) = \frac{P(Y=1)p(X=x_k|Y=1)}{p(X=x_k)} \tag{12}$$

$$=\frac{P(Y=1)p(X=x_k|Y=1)}{P(Y=0)p(X=x_k|Y=0)+P(Y=1)p(X=x_k|Y=1)} \tag{13}$$

(14)

(2.8)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 18)

$$\epsilon^0[\psi] = P(\psi(X) = 1|Y = 0) = \sum_{\{x_k|\psi(x) = 1\}} p(x_k|Y = 0)$$

$$\epsilon^1[\psi] = P(\psi(X) = 0 | Y = 1) = \sum_{\{x_k | \psi(x) = 1\}} p(x_k | Y = 1)$$

(2.9)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 18)

$$\epsilon[\psi] = \sum_{\{x \mid \psi(x) = 1\}} P(Y = 0) p(x_k | Y = 0) + \sum_{\{x \mid \psi = 0\}} P(Y = 1) p(x_k | Y = 1)$$

(2.11)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 19)

$$\epsilon[\psi] = E[\epsilon[\psi|X=x_k]] = \sum_{x_k \in D} \epsilon[\psi|X=x_k] p(x_k)$$

(2.30)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 24).

$$\epsilon^* = \sum_{x \in X} \left[I_{\eta(X=x) \leq 1 - \eta(X=x)} \eta(X=x) + I_{\eta(X=x) > 1 - \eta(X=x)(1 - \eta(X=x))} \right] p(X=x)$$

(2.34)

From Braga-Neto (2020, 25).

$$\epsilon^* = P(Y=0)\epsilon^0[\psi^*] + P(Y=1)\epsilon^1[\psi^*]
= \sum_{\{x|P(Y=1)p(x|Y=1)>P(Y=0)p(x|Y=0)\}} P(Y=0)p(x|Y=0) + \sum_{\{x|P(Y=1)p(x|Y=1)\leq P(Y=0)p(x|Y=0)\}} P(Y=1)p(x|Y=0)
(15)$$
(15)

(2.36)

Problem 2.3

This problem seeks to characterize the case $\epsilon^* = 0$.

(a)

Prove the "Zero-One Law" for perfect discrimination:

$$\epsilon^* = 0 \Leftrightarrow \eta(X) = 0 \text{ or } 1 \text{ with probability } 1.$$
 (17)

The optimal Bayes classifier is defined in Braga-Neto (2020, 20). That is

$$\psi^*(x) = \arg\max_{i} P(Y = i | X = x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \eta(x) > \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (18)

Part 1: $\eta(X) = 1$

$$\eta(X)=E[Y|X=x]=P(Y=1|X=x)=1$$

$$\because \eta(X) = 1 > \frac{1}{2} \because \psi^*(x) = 1$$

$$\epsilon^* = \epsilon[\psi^*(X)|X = x] \tag{19}$$

$$=I_{\psi^*(x)=0}P(Y=1|X=x)+I_{\psi^*(x)=1}P(Y=0|X=x) \tag{20}$$

$$= \underbrace{I_{\psi^*(x)=0}}_{=0} \underbrace{\eta(X)}_{=1} + \underbrace{I_{\psi^*(x)=1}}_{=1} \underbrace{(1-\eta(X))}_{=0}$$
 (21)

$$=0 (22)$$

Part 2: $\eta(X) = 0$

Similarly,

$$\because \eta(X) = 0 \le \frac{1}{2} \because \psi^*(x) = 0$$

$$\epsilon^* = \epsilon[\psi^*(X)|X = x] \tag{23}$$

$$=I_{\psi^*(x)=0}P(Y=1|X=x)+I_{\psi^*(x)=1}P(Y=0|X=x)$$
(24)

$$= \underbrace{I_{\psi^*(x)=0}}_{-1} \underbrace{\eta(X)}_{=0} + \underbrace{I_{\psi^*(x)=1}}_{-0} \underbrace{(1-\eta(X))}_{=1}$$
(25)

$$=0 (26)$$

In conclusion, both cases shows that $\epsilon^* = 0$.

(b)

Show that

 $\epsilon^* = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ there is a function f s.t. Y = f(X) with probability 1

$$\eta(X) = Pr(Y = 1|X = x) = \begin{cases} 1, & f(X) = 1\\ 0, & f(X) = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (27)

The sceneraio is same as Problem 3.7 (a).

- 1. Given $\eta(X) = 1$
 - $\epsilon^* = 0$
- 2. Given $\eta(X) = 0$
 - $\epsilon^* = 0$

 $\epsilon^* = 0$ for both cases.

Problem 2.4

This problem concerns the extension to the multiple-class case of some of the concepts derived in this chapter. Let $Y \in \{0, 1, ..., c-1\}$, where c is the number of classes, and let

$$\eta_i(x) = P(Y = i | X = x), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, c - 1,$$

for each $x \in R^d$. We need to remember that these probabilities are not indpendent, but satisfy $\eta_0(x) + \eta_1(x) + \dots + \eta_{c-1}(x) = 1$, for each $x \in R^d$, so that one of the functions is redundant. In the two-class case, this is made explicit by using a single $\eta(x)$, but using the redundant set above proves advantageous in the multiple-class case, as seen below.

Hint: you should answer the following items in sequence, using the previous answers in the solution of the following ones

(a)

Given a classifier $\psi: R^d \to \{0,1,\ldots,c-1\}$, show that its conditional error $P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x)$ is given by

$$P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} I_{\psi(x)=i} \eta_i(x) = 1 - \eta_{\psi(x)}(x) \tag{28}$$

Use the "Law of Total Probability" (Braga-Neto 2020, sec. A.53),

$$P(\psi(X) = Y | X = x) + P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) = 1$$
 (29)

: We can derive the probability of error via

$$P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) = 1 - P(\psi(X) = Y | X = x)$$
(30)

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}P(\psi(x)=i,Y=i|X=x)$$
(31)

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}I_{\psi(x)=i}P(Y=i|X=x) \tag{32}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}I_{\psi(x)=i}\eta_{i}(x) \tag{33}$$

Combining together, Equation 29 implies Equation 28.

(b)

Assuming that X has a density, show that the classification error of ψ is given by

$$\epsilon=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{\{x\mid\psi(x)=i\}}\eta_i(x)p(x)dx.$$

Let $\{x|\psi(x)=i\}$ be the set of $\psi(x)=i$ in X.

Use the multiplication rule (Braga-Neto 2020, sec. A1.3)

$$\epsilon = E[\epsilon[\psi(x)|X=x]] \tag{34}$$

$$=1 - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} P(\psi(X) = Y | X = x) p(x) dx \tag{35}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{R^d}p(\psi(X)=i,Y=i|X=x)p(x)dx \tag{36}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{R^d}\underbrace{p(\psi(X)=i|X=x)}_{\text{if }\{x|\psi(x)=i\};0,\text{ otherwise.}}p(Y=i|X=x)p(x)dx \tag{37}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{\{x|\psi(x)=i\}}1\cdot p(Y=i|X=x)p(x)dx\tag{38}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{\{x|\psi(x)=i\}}p(Y=i|X=x)p(x)dx$$
(39)

(c)

Prove that the Bayes classifier is given by

$$\psi^*(x) = \arg \max_{i=0,1,\dots,c-1} \eta_i(x), \quad x \in R^d$$
 (40)

Hint: Start by considering the difference between conditional expected errors $P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) - P(\psi^*(X) \neq Y | X = x)$.

According to Braga-Neto (2020, 20), a Bayes classifier (ψ^*) is defined as

$$\psi^* = \arg\min_{\psi \in \mathcal{C}} P(\psi(X) \neq Y)$$

over the set \mathcal{C} of all classifiers. We need to show that the error of any $\psi \in \mathcal{C}$ has the conditional error rate:

$$\epsilon[\psi|X=x] \ge \epsilon[\psi^*|X=x], \quad \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$
 (41)

From Equation 28, classifiers have the error rates:

$$P(\psi^*(X) \neq | X = x) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} I_{\psi^*(x)=i} \eta_i(x)$$
(42)

$$P(\psi(X) \neq | X = x) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} I_{\psi(x)=i} \eta_i(x)$$
(43)

Therefore,

$$P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) - P(\psi^*(X) \neq Y | X = x) = (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} I_{\psi(x)=i} \eta_i(x)) - (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} I_{\psi^*(x)=i} \eta_i(x))$$

$$(44)$$

$$=\sum_{i=1}^{c-1}(I_{\psi^*(x)=i}-I_{\psi(x)=i})\eta_i(x) \tag{45}$$

- $I_{\psi^*(x)=i^*}=1$ when i^* satisfies $\eta_{i^*}(x)=\max_{i=0,1,\dots,c-1}\eta(x)=\eta_{\max}(x)$ $I_{\psi(x)=i'}=1$ when $\psi(x)=i'$ for $i'\in 0,1,\dots,c-1$

if $i^* \neq i'$

$$P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) - P(\psi^*(X) \neq Y | X = x) = (1 - 0)\eta_{i^*}(x) + (0 - 1)\eta_{i'}(x)$$
(46)

$$= \eta_{i^*}(x) - \eta_{i'}(x) \tag{47}$$

$$= \eta_{\max}(x) - \eta_{i'}(x) \tag{48}$$

$$\geq 0 \tag{49}$$

if $i^* = i'$

$$P(\psi(X) \neq Y | X = x) - P(\psi^*(X) \neq Y | X = x) = \eta_{i^*}(x) - \eta_{i'}(x) = 0$$

Therefore, there is no classifier $\psi \in \mathcal{C}$ can have conditional error rate lower than Bayes classifier Equation 40.

(d)

Show that the Bayes error is given by

$$\epsilon^* = 1 - E[\max_{i=0,1,\dots,c-1} \eta_i(X)]$$

From Problem 2.4.b,

• Noted that, $\{x|\psi^*(x)=i\}=\emptyset$ if $i\neq i^*$

$$\epsilon[\psi^*] = E[\epsilon[\psi^*(x)|X=x]] \tag{50}$$

$$=1-\sum_{i=0}^{c-1}\int_{\{x\mid\psi^*(x)=i\}}\eta_i(x)p(x)dx \tag{51}$$

$$=1-\int_{\{x|\psi^*(x)=i^*\}}\eta_{\max}(x)p(x)dx \tag{52}$$

$$=1-E[\eta_{\max}(x)]\tag{53}$$

(e)

Show that the maximum Bayes error possible is $1 - \frac{1}{c}$.

$$\max \epsilon[\psi^*] = 1 - \min E[\max_{i=0,1,\dots,c-1} \eta_i(X)]$$
 (54)

also,

given

$$\eta_1(x)=\eta_2(x)=\cdots=\eta_{c-1}(x)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{c-1} \eta_i(x) = 1$$

we can get that

$$\min \max \eta(X) = \frac{1}{c} \tag{55}$$

Combining Equation 54 and Equation 55 together, the maximum Bayes error is $1 - \frac{1}{c}$

Problem 2.7

Consider the following univariate Gaussian class-conditional densities:

$$p(x|Y=0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-\frac{(x-3)^2}{2})$$

$$p(x|Y=1) = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp(-\frac{(x-4)^2}{18})$$

Assume that the classes are equally likely, i.e., $P(Y=0)=P(Y=1)=\frac{1}{2}$

(a)

Draw the densities and determine the Bayes classifier graphically.

(b)

Determine the Bayes classifier.

(c)

Determine the specificity and sensitivity of the Bayes classifier.

Hint: use the standard Gaussian CDF $\psi(x)$

Table 1: The definition of sensitivity and specificity from Braga-Neto (2020, 18)

Sensitivity	Specificity
$1 - \epsilon^1[\psi]$	$1 - \epsilon^0[\psi]$

(d)

Determine the overall Bayes error.

Problem 2.9

Obtain the optimal decision boundary in the Gaussian model with P(Y=0)=P(Y=1) and

In each case draw the optimal decision boundary, along with the class means and class conditional density contours, indicating the 0- and 1-decision regions.

Since $\Sigma_0 \neq \Sigma_1$ happens in the following subproblems, these are heteroskedastic cases. As mentioned in Braga-Neto (2020, sec. 2.5.2). The Bayes classifier is

$$\psi_Q^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, x^T A x + b^T x + c > 0 \\ 0, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (56)

where

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(\Sigma_0^{-1} - \Sigma_1^{-1}) \tag{57}$$

$$b = \Sigma_1^{-1} \mu_1 - \Sigma_0^{-1} \mu_0 \tag{58}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{2}(\mu_0^T \Sigma_0^{-1} \mu_0 - \mu_1^T \Sigma_1^{-1} \mu_1) + \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{\det(\Sigma_0)}{\det(\Sigma_1)} + \ln \frac{P(Y=1)}{P(Y=0)}$$
 (59)

Let x be the vector of sample values,

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_0 \end{bmatrix} \tag{60}$$

The following is the Python implementation with NumPy^{1 2}.

```
def compose(U,D):
    return U.transpose()@inv(D)@U

def mA(sigma0, sigma1):
    sigma0_inv = inv(sigma0)
    sigma1_inv = inv(sigma1)
    return 0.5*(sigma0_inv - sigma1_inv)

def mb(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1):
    sigma0_inv = inv(sigma0)
    sigma1_inv = inv(sigma1)
    return sigma1_inv@mu1 - sigma0_inv@mu0

return sigma1_inv@mu1 - sigma0_inv@mu0
```

 $^{^{1}} There is a well-written documentation for matrix operation: \ https://numpy.org/doc/stable/user/absolute_beginners.html\#creating matrices$

 $^{^2} the \ contour \ plot \ for \ Gaussian \ process \ is \ referred \ to \ https://gist.github.com/gwgundersen/90dfa64ca29aa8c3833dbc6b03de44be.$

```
def mc(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1, Py):
14
        return 0.5*(compose(mu0, sigma0) - compose(mu1, sigma1)) +\
15
            0.5*np.log(det(sigma0)/det(sigma1)) +\
16
                np.log(Py/(1-Py))
17
18
   def BayesBound(x, sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1, Py):
19
        xax = x.transpose() @ mA(sigma0, sigma1)@x
20
        bx = mb(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1).transpose() @ x
21
        c = mc(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1, Py)
22
        return float(xax + bx + c)
24
   class GaussianBayesClassifier:
26
27
        def __init__(self, sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1, Py):
            self.sigma0 = sigma0
28
            self.sigma1 = sigma1
29
            self.mu0 = mu0
30
            self.mu1 = mu1
            self.Py = Py
33
            # Inferred Matrix
34
            self.mA = mA(sigma0, sigma1)
35
            self.mb = mb(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1)
36
            self.mc = mc(sigma0, sigma1, mu0, mu1, Py)
37
        def BayesBound(self, x):
            return BayesBound(x, self.sigma0, self.sigma1, self.mu0, self.mu1, self.Py)
41
        def psi(self, x):
42
43
            Bayes classification
44
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45
            pred = 0
            if self.BayesBound(x) > 0:
                pred = 1
            return pred
49
50
        def plot2D(self, psi_annotates=[[0.3,0.3], [0.7,0.7]]):
51
            fig, ax = plt.subplots()
52
53
            # Create girds
54
```

```
xlist = np.linspace(-3.5,3.5,40)
55
            ylist = np.linspace(-3.5,3.5,40)
56
            X, Y = np.meshgrid(xlist, ylist)
57
            pos = np.dstack((X,Y))
59
            # Compute Bayes classification
60
            Z = np.zeros(X.shape)
61
            for i in range(0, Z.shape[0]):
62
                for j in range(0, Z.shape[1]):
63
                    x = np.matrix([X[i,j], Y[i,j]]).T
64
                    Z[i,j] = self.psi(x)
            # Compute Gaussia pdf
67
            rv0 = multivariate_normal(np.array(self.mu0.T)[0], self.sigma0)
68
            rv1 = multivariate_normal(np.array(self.mu1.T)[0], self.sigma1)
69
            Z0 = rv0.pdf(pos)
70
            Z1 = rv1.pdf(pos)
71
72
            # Plot contours
            cmap = plt.get_cmap('Set1', 2)
            ax.contour(X,Y,Z, cmap=cmap, levels=[0.9])
75
            ax.contour(X,Y,Z0, alpha=0.4)
76
            ax.contour(X,Y,Z1, alpha=0.4)
77
            ax.plot(self.mu0[0,0], self.mu0[1,0], marker="0", color="k",label="$\mu_0$")
78
            ax.plot(self.mu1[0,0], self.mu1[1,0], marker="o", color="gray",label="$\mu_1$")
79
            if psi_annotates==None:
                psi_annotates = [[self.mu0[0,0], self.mu0[1,0]], [self.mu1[0,0], self.mu1[1,0]]]
            # Annotate decisions
83
            for ann in psi_annotates:
84
                i = X[int(X.shape[0]*ann[0]), int(X.shape[1]*ann[1])]
85
                j = Y[int(Y.shape[0]*ann[0]), int(Y.shape[1]*ann[1])]
                x = np.matrix([i, j]).T
                if self.psi(x) > 0:
                    ax.annotate("\$\psi^{*}(x) = 1\$", (i, j))
                else:
90
                    ax.annotate("\$\psi^{*}(x) = 0\$", (i, j))
91
92
            # legend and label settings
93
            ax.set_xlabel("$x_1$")
94
            ax.set_ylabel("$x_2$")
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96 ax.legend()

(a)

$$\mu_0 = (0,0)^T, \mu_1 = (2,0)^T, \Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

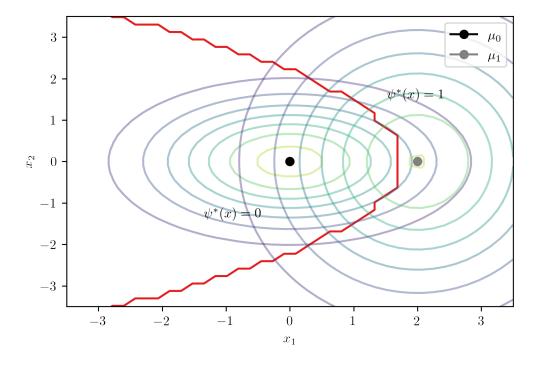


Figure 1: Bayes Classifier for 2D Gussian (a)

(b)

$$\mu_0 = (0,0)^T, \mu_1 = (2,0)^T, \Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

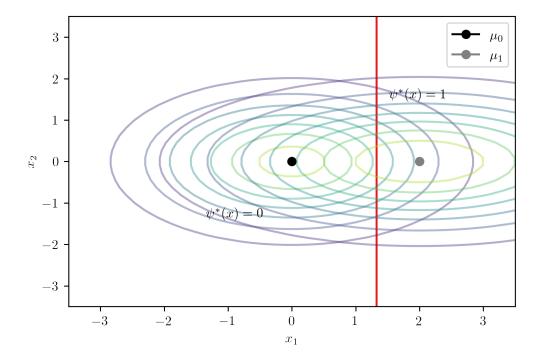


Figure 2: Bayes Classifier for 2D Gussian (b)

(c)

$$\mu_0 = (0,0)^T, \mu_1 = (0,0)^T, \Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

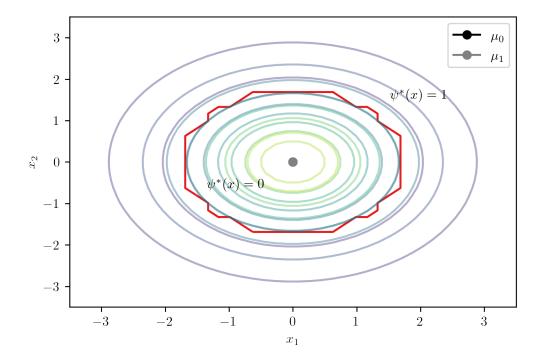


Figure 3: Bayes Classifier for 2D Gussian (c)

(d)

$$\mu_0 = (0,0)^T, \mu_1 = (0,0)^T, \Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

6 bc.plot2D(psi_annotates= [[0.3,0.4], [0.6,0.7]])

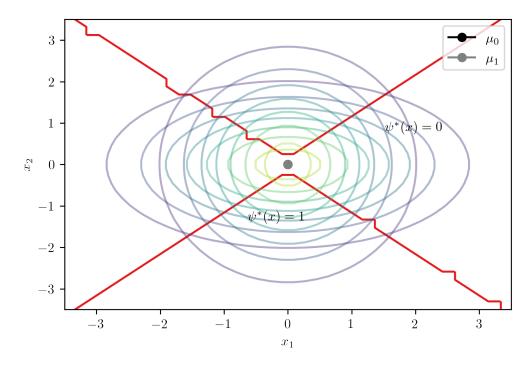


Figure 4: Bayes Classifier for 2D Gussian (d)

Python Assignment: Problem 2.17

This problem concerns the Gaussian model for synthetic data generation in Braga-Neto (2020, sec. A8.1).

(a)

Derive a general expression for the Bayes error for the homosked astic case with $\mu_0=(0,\dots,0), \mu_1=(1,\dots,1),$ and P(Y=0)=P(Y=1). Your answer should be in terms of $k,\sigma_1^2,\dots,\sigma_k^2,l_1,\dots,l_k,$ and $\sigma_1,\dots,\sigma_k.$

Hint: Use the fact that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \sigma & \cdots & \sigma \\ \sigma & 1 & \cdots & \sigma \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma & \sigma & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{l \times l}^{-1} = \frac{1}{(1-\sigma)(1+(l-1)\sigma)} \begin{bmatrix} 1+(l-2)\sigma & -\sigma \cdots -\sigma \\ -\sigma & 1+(l-2)\sigma & \cdots -\sigma \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\sigma & -\sigma & \cdots & 1+(l-2)\sigma \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(61)$$

(b)

Specialize the previous formula for equal-sized blocks $l_1 = \cdots = l_k = l$ with equal correlations $\sigma_1 = \cdots = \sigma_k = \sigma$, and constant variance $\sigma_1^2 = \cdots, \sigma_k^2 = \sigma^2$. Write the resulting formula in terms of d, l, σ and σ .

i.

Using the python function norm.cdf in the scipy.stats module, plot the Bayes error as a function of $\sigma \in [0.01, 3]$ for d = 20, l = 4, and four different correlation values $\sigma = 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75$ (plot one curve for each value). Confirm that the Bayes error increasese monotonically with σ from 0 to 0.5 for each value of σ , and that Bayes error for large σ is uniformly larger than that for smaller σ . The latter fact shows that correlation between the features is detrimental to classification.

ii.

Plot the Bayes error as a function of $d=2,4,6,8,\ldots,40$, with fixed block size l=4 and variance $\sigma^2=1$ and $\sigma=0,0.25,0.5,0.75$ (plot one curve for each value). Confirm that the Bayes error decreases monotonically to 0 with increasing dimensionality, with faster convergence for smaller correlation values.

iii.

Plot the Bayes error as a function of the correlation $\sigma \in [0,1]$ for constant variance $\sigma^2 = 2$ and fixed d = 20 with varying block size l = 1, 2, 4, 10 (plot one curve for each value). Confirm that the Bayes error increases monotonically with increasing correlation. Notice that the rate of increase is particularly large near $\sigma = 0$, which shows that the Bayes error is very sensitive to correlation in the near-independent region.

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