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Contents



- Gaussian for classification

- Used for classifying continuous data.
- Consider a random variable x whose probability density function (pdf), given class C is a Gaussian with mean μ_c and variance σ_c^2 . Using Bayes' theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} P(C|x) &\propto p(x|C) P(C) \\ &\propto N(x; \mu_c, \sigma_c^2) P(C) \\ &\propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_c^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-(x - \mu_c)^2}{2\sigma_c^2}\right) P(C) \end{aligned}$$

- Where, $p(x/C)$ is the likelihood of class C given observation x .
- $\mu_c = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$, $\sigma_c^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu_c)^2$

Log Likelihood and Log Probabilities (1)

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- Use log to deal with Gaussian.
- Log likelihood of the Gaussian probability distribution is, $LL(x|C) = LL(x|\mu_c, \sigma_c^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} LL(x|\mu_c, \sigma_c^2) &= \ln p(x|\mu_c, \sigma_c^2) \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_c^2}} \exp \left(\frac{-(x - \mu_c)^2}{2\sigma_c^2} \right) \right] \\ &= -\ln \left(\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_c^2} \right) - \frac{(x - \mu_c)^2}{2\sigma_c^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\ln(2\pi) - \ln \sigma_c^2 - \frac{(x - \mu_c)^2}{\sigma_c^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Using Bayes theorem Log posterior probabilities are,

$$\begin{aligned} LP(C|x) &= LL(x|C) + LP(C) + \text{const.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\ln(2\pi) - \ln \sigma_c^2 - \frac{(x - \mu_c)^2}{\sigma_c^2} \right) + \ln P(C) + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

- where $LP(C)$ is the log prior probability of class C , and '*const.*' is the log of the constant of proportionality, $p(x)$.

Log probability ratio

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- If c_1 and c_2 are modelled by Gaussians with means μ_a and μ_b , and variances σ_a^2 and σ_b^2 , then we can write the log odds (ratio of posterior probabilities) as follows,

$$\ln \frac{P(c_1 | x)}{P(c_2 | x)} = \ln P(c_1 | x) - \ln P(c_2 | x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \frac{P(c_1 | x)}{P(c_2 | x)} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-\ln(2\pi) - \ln \sigma_a^2 - \frac{(x - \mu_a)^2}{\sigma_a^2} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \left(-\ln(2\pi) - \ln \sigma_b^2 - \frac{(x - \mu_b)^2}{\sigma_b^2} \right) + (\ln P(c_1) - \ln P(c_2)) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x - \mu_a)^2}{\sigma_a^2} - \frac{(x - \mu_b)^2}{\sigma_b^2} + \ln \sigma_a^2 - \ln \sigma_b^2 \right) + \ln P(c_1) - \ln P(c_2). \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Example (1)

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- Consider a following dataset,

Class S	10	8	10	10	11	11
Class T	12	9	15	10	13	13

- The following unlabelled data points are available:
 $x_1 = 10$, $x_2 = 11$, $x_3 = 6$
- To which class each data points will be assigned if the two classes have equal prior probabilities.
- Step 1: Find the mean and variance

$$\hat{\mu}(S) = 10 \quad \hat{\sigma}^2(S) = 1$$

$$\hat{\mu}(T) = 12 \quad \hat{\sigma}^2(T) = 4$$

Example (2)

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Step 2: Calculate log posterior probability ratio.

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{P(S \mid X=x)}{P(T \mid X=x)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x - \mu_S)^2}{\sigma_S^2} - \frac{(x - \mu_T)^2}{\sigma_T^2} + \ln \sigma_S^2 - \ln \sigma_T^2 \right) + \ln P(S) - \ln P(T) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x - \mu_S)^2}{\sigma_S^2} - \frac{(x - \mu_T)^2}{\sigma_T^2} + \ln \sigma_S^2 - \ln \sigma_T^2 \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x - 10)^2 - \frac{(x - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right)\end{aligned}$$

If the log ratio is less than 0, then assign to class T , otherwise assign to class S .

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Step 3: Consider each value of x and calculate log posterior probability ratio.

$x_1 = 10$:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{P(S | X=x_1)}{P(T | X=x_1)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x_1 - 10)^2 - \frac{(x_1 - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (0 - 1 - \ln 4) \\ &= 1.19\end{aligned}$$

Class S

$x_2 = 11$:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{P(S | X=x_2)}{P(T | X=x_2)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x_2 - 10)^2 - \frac{(x_2 - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (1 - 0.25 - \ln 4) \\ &= 0.32\end{aligned}$$

Class S

Example (4)

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$x_3 = 6$:

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{P(S | X=x_3)}{P(T | X=x_3)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x_3 - 10)^2 - \frac{(x_3 - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (16 - 9 - \ln 4) \\ &= -2.81\end{aligned}$$

Class T

- Practice Problem:

Consider different probabilities, $P(S) = 0.3$ and $P(T) = 0.7$. Including this prior information, to which class should each of the above test data points $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ be assigned?

Hint: The log posterior probability ratios is,

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{P(S | X=x)}{P(T | X=x)} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x - \mu_S)^2}{\sigma_S^2} - \frac{(x - \mu_T)^2}{\sigma_T^2} + \ln \sigma_S^2 - \ln \sigma_T^2 \right) + \ln P(S) - \ln P(T) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x - 10)^2 - \frac{(x - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right) + \ln P(S) - \ln P(T) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left((x - 10)^2 - \frac{(x - 12)^2}{4} - \ln 4 \right) + \ln(3/7)\end{aligned}$$



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