

# **COEN281 -- Introduction to Pattern Recognition and Data Mining**

## **Lecture 3: Bayesian Decision Theory**

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# Syllabus

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Week 2	<b>Bayesian Decision Theory</b> (Ch.2; DHS: 2.1-2.6, 2.9) Parameter Estimation (DHS: 3.1-3.4)
Week 3	Linear Discriminant Functions (Ch.3&4; DHS: 3.8.2, 5.1-5.8) Regularization (Ch.6; SE: Ch.3)
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Week 9	Non-metric: Association Rules Collaborative Filtering
Week 10	Text Retrieval; Other topics

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# Overview

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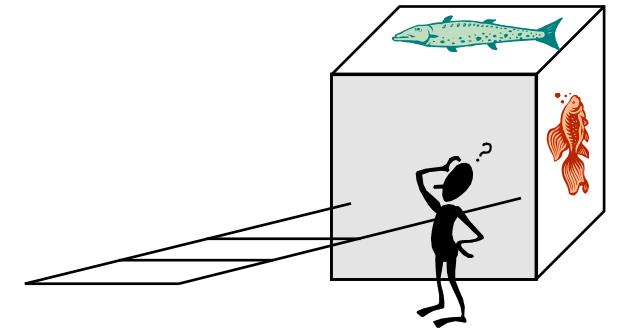
- Basic statistical concepts
  - Apriori probability, class-conditional density
  - Bayes formula & decision rule
  - Loss function & minimum-risk classifier
- Discriminant functions
- Decision regions/boundaries
- The Normal density
  - Discriminant functions (LDA)

# Introduction

## Statistical Approach

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- A formalization of common-sense procedures...
- Quantify tradeoffs between various classification decisions using probability
- Initially assume all relevant probability values are known
- State of nature
  - What fish type ( $\omega$ ) will come out next?
    - $\omega_1 = \text{salmon}$ ,  $\omega_2 = \text{sea bass}$
  - $\omega$  is unpredictable – i.e., a random variable
- A priori probability -- prior knowledge of how likely each fish type is --  $P(\omega_1) + P(\omega_2) = 1$



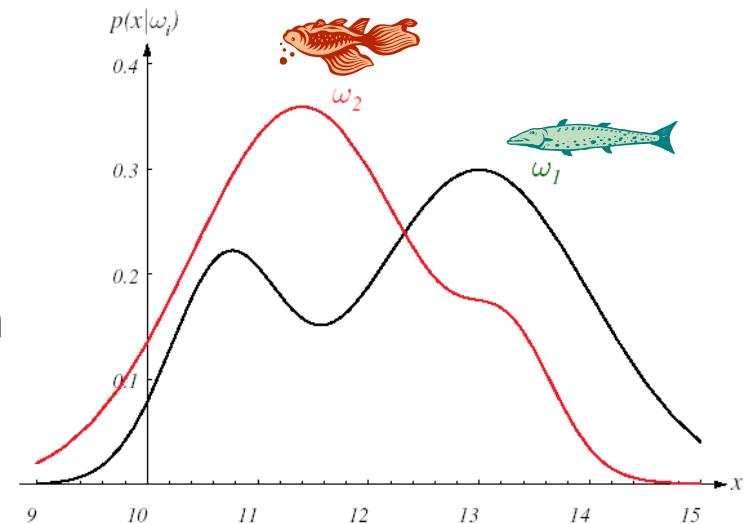
# Introduction

## Statistical Approach (2)

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- Best decision rule about next fish type before it actually appears?
  - Decide  $\omega_1$  if  $P(\omega_1) > P(\omega_2)$ ; otherwise decide  $\omega_2$
  - How well it works?
    - $P(\text{error}) = \min [P(\omega_1), P(\omega_2)]$
- Incorporating lightness/length info
  - Class-conditional probability density

$p(x|\omega_1)$  and  $p(x|\omega_2)$  describe the difference in lightness between populations of sea bass and salmon



# Introduction

## Statistical Approach (3)

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- $p(x|\omega_j)$  also called the **likelihood** of  $\omega_j$  with respect to  $x$ 
  - Other things being equal,  $\omega_j$  for which  $p(x|\omega_j)$  is largest is more “likely” to be true class
- Combining prior & likelihood into *posterior* – **Bayes formula**

$$p(\omega_j, \mathbf{x}) = p(\omega_j | \mathbf{x})p(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_j)P(\omega_j)$$

$$p(\omega_j | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_j)P(\omega_j)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

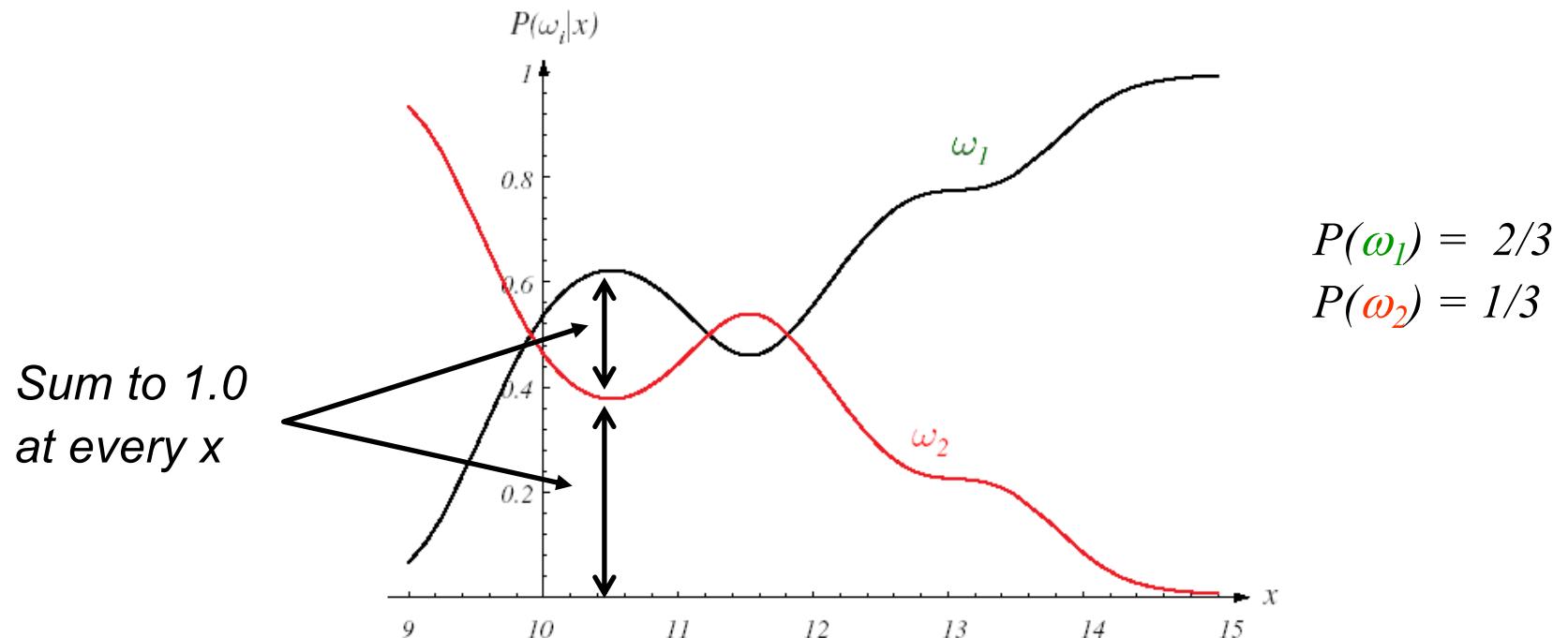
where

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_j p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_j)P(\omega_j)$$

# Introduction

## Statistical Approach (4)

- Bayes Decision Rule
  - Decide  $\omega_1$  if  $P(\omega_1|x) > P(\omega_2|x)$ ; otherwise decide  $\omega_2$   
*or*
  - Decide  $\omega_1$  if  $p(x|\omega_1)P(\omega_1) > p(x|\omega_2)P(\omega_2)$ ; otherwise decide  $\omega_2$



# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Loss Function

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- $\lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j)$ : cost incurred for taking action  $\alpha_i$  (i.e., classification or rejection) when the state of nature is  $\omega_j$
- Example
  - $x$ : financial characteristics of firms applying for a bank loan
  - $\omega_0$  – company did not go bankrupt
  - $\omega_1$  – company failed
  - $P(\omega_i|x)$  – predicted probability of bankruptcy
  - Confusion matrix:

	Algorithm: $\omega_0$	Algorithm: $\omega_1$
Truth: $\omega_0$	TN	FP
Truth: $\omega_1$	FN	TP

- FN are 10 times as costly as FP

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(\alpha_0 | \omega_1) = \lambda_{01} = 10 \times \lambda(\alpha_1 | \omega_0) = 10 \times \lambda_{10}$$

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Minimum Risk Classifier

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- “Risk” (or expected loss) associated with taking action  $\alpha_i$

$$R(\alpha_i | \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^C \lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j) P(\omega_j | \mathbf{x})$$

- **Decision rule:** compute  $R(\alpha_i | \mathbf{x})$  for  $i=1, \dots, a$  and select  $\alpha_i$  for which  $R(\alpha_i | \mathbf{x})$  is minimum

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Minimum Risk Classifier (2)

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- Two-category case

$$R(\alpha_0 | \mathbf{x}) = \lambda_{00}P(\omega_0 | \mathbf{x}) + \lambda_{01}P(\omega_1 | \mathbf{x})$$

$$R(\alpha_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \lambda_{10}P(\omega_0 | \mathbf{x}) + \lambda_{11}P(\omega_1 | \mathbf{x})$$

- Expressing minimum-risk rule: pick  $\omega_0$  if  $R(\alpha_0 | \mathbf{x}) < R(\alpha_1 | \mathbf{x})$ , or

$$(\lambda_{10} - \lambda_{00})P(\omega_0 | \mathbf{x}) > (\lambda_{01} - \lambda_{11})P(\omega_1 | \mathbf{x})$$

- In our loan example:  $\lambda_{00} = \lambda_{11} = 0$

$$\frac{P(\omega_0 | \mathbf{x})}{P(\omega_1 | \mathbf{x})} > \frac{\lambda_{01}}{\lambda_{10}} \quad \implies \quad P(\omega_0 | \mathbf{x}) > 10 \times P(\omega_1 | \mathbf{x})$$

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# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Minimum Error Rate Classifier

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- Zero-one loss function leads to:

$$\begin{aligned} R(\alpha_i \mid \mathbf{x}) &= \sum_{j=1}^C \lambda(\alpha_i \mid \omega_j) P(\omega_j \mid \mathbf{x}) \\ &= \sum_{j \neq i} P(\omega_j \mid \mathbf{x}) \\ &= 1 - P(\omega_i \mid \mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

- i.e., choose  $\omega_i$  for which  $P(\omega_i|x)$  is maximum
  - same rule as in Slide 6 as expected

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function

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- A useful way of representing a classifier
  - One function  $g_i(\mathbf{x})$  for each class
  - Assign  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\omega_i$  if  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) > g_j(\mathbf{x})$  for all  $j \neq i$
- Minimum risk:  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = -R(\alpha_i | \mathbf{x})$
- Minimum error:  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = P(\omega_i | \mathbf{x})$ 
  - Monotonic increasing transformations are equivalent

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_i)P(\omega_i)$$

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \ln p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_i) + \ln P(\omega_i)$$

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function (2)

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- Two-category case – **dichotomizer**

- A single function suffices:

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = g_1(\mathbf{x}) - g_2(\mathbf{x})$$

- Decision rule:

Choose  $\omega_1$  if  $g(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ ; otherwise choose  $\omega_2$

- Convenient forms

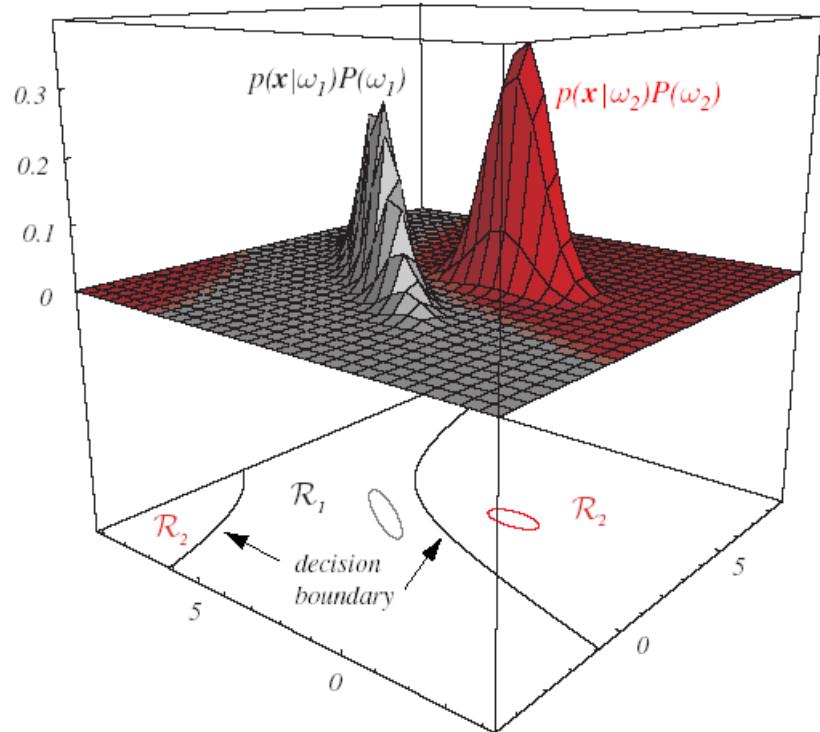
$$g(\mathbf{x}) = P(\omega_1|\mathbf{x}) - P(\omega_2|\mathbf{x})$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \ln \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2)} + \ln \frac{P(\omega_1)}{P(\omega_2)}$$

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Decision Regions & Boundaries

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$R_i$  region in feature space where  
 $g_i(\mathbf{x}) > g_j(\mathbf{x}) \text{ for all } j \neq i$   
– Might not be simply connected

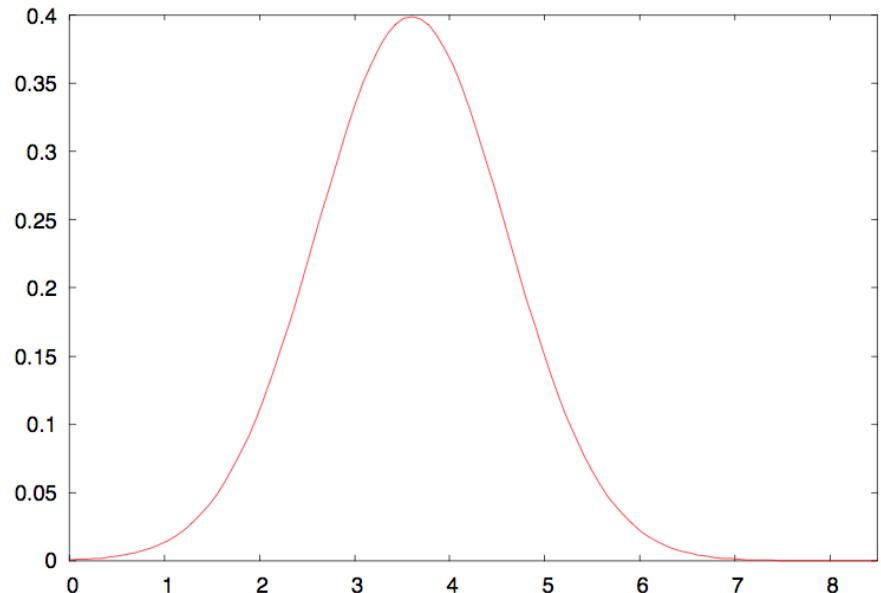
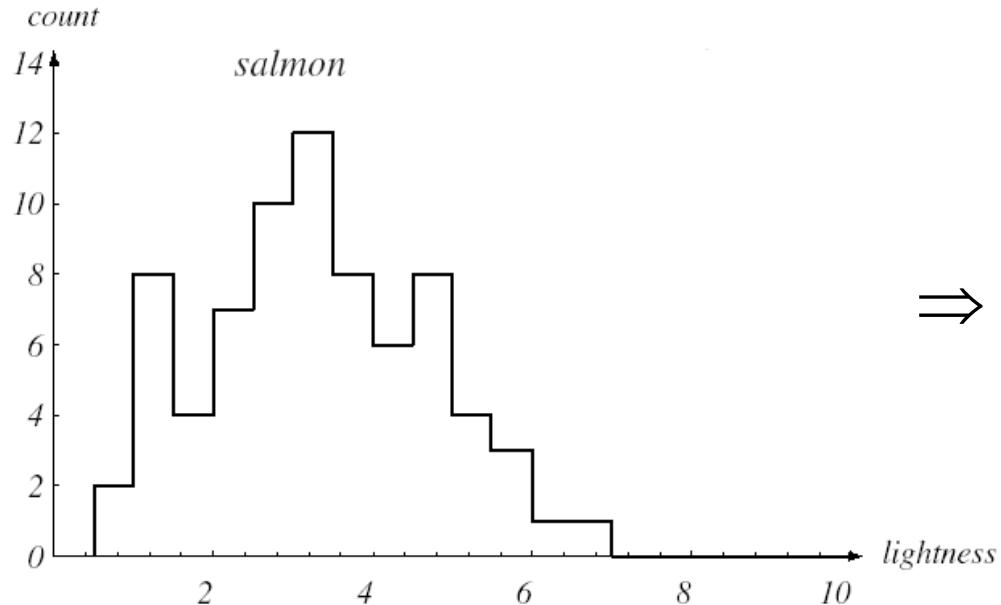
- **Decision boundary:** surfaces in feature space where ties occur among largest discriminant functions

# Normal Density

## Introduction

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- Used to model  $p(x|\omega_i)$



- Special attention due to:
    - Analytically tractable
    - A continuous-valued feature  $x$  can be seen as randomly corrupted version of a single typical  $\mu$  (asymptotically Gaussian)
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# Normal Density

## Univariate Case

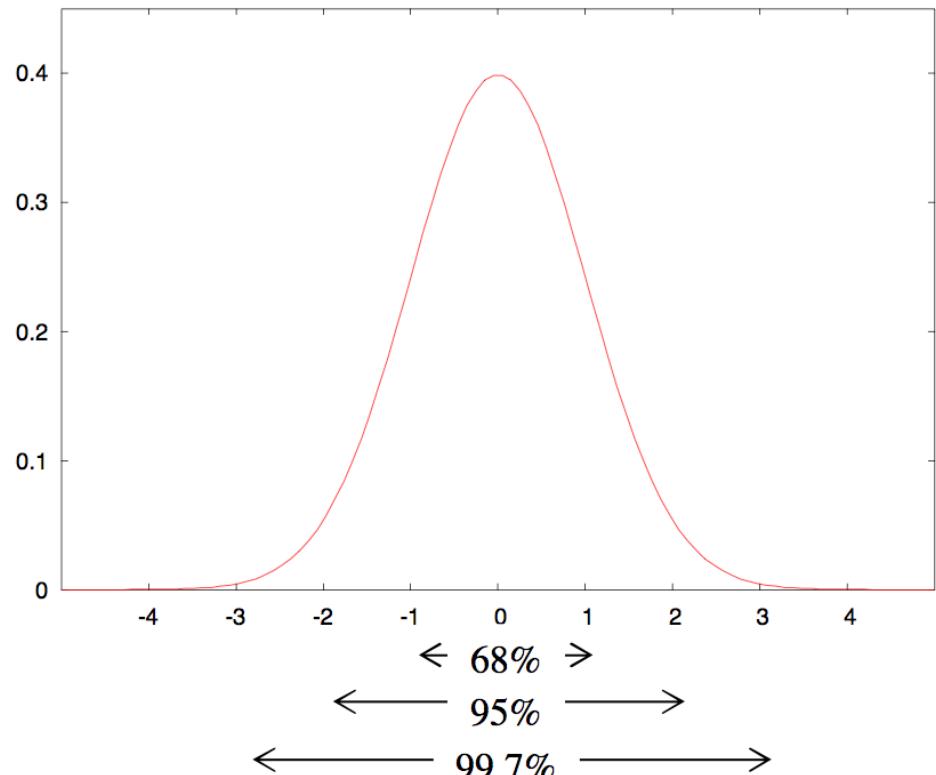
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- $x \sim N(0, 1)$  --  $x$  is normally distributed with zero *mean* and unit *variance*

$$p_x(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}$$

$$0 = \mu = \mathbb{E}[x]$$

$$1 = \sigma^2 = \mathbb{E}[(x - \mu)^2]$$



- Location-scale shift

$$z = \sigma x + \mu$$

$$\sim N(\mu, \sigma)$$

$$p_z(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{z-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma} p_x\left(\frac{z-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

# Normal Density

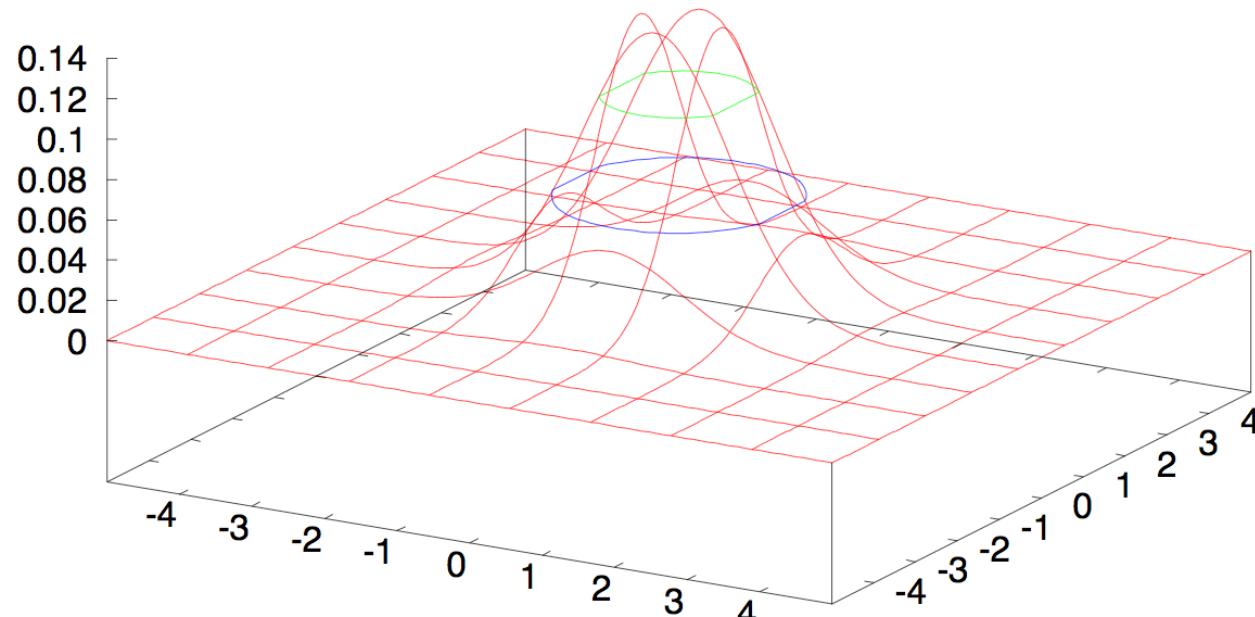
## Bivariate Case

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- If  $x \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $y \sim N(0, 1)$  are independent

$$p(x, y) = p(x) \times p(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x^2+y^2)}$$

- Contours:  $p(x, y) = c_1 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = c_2$



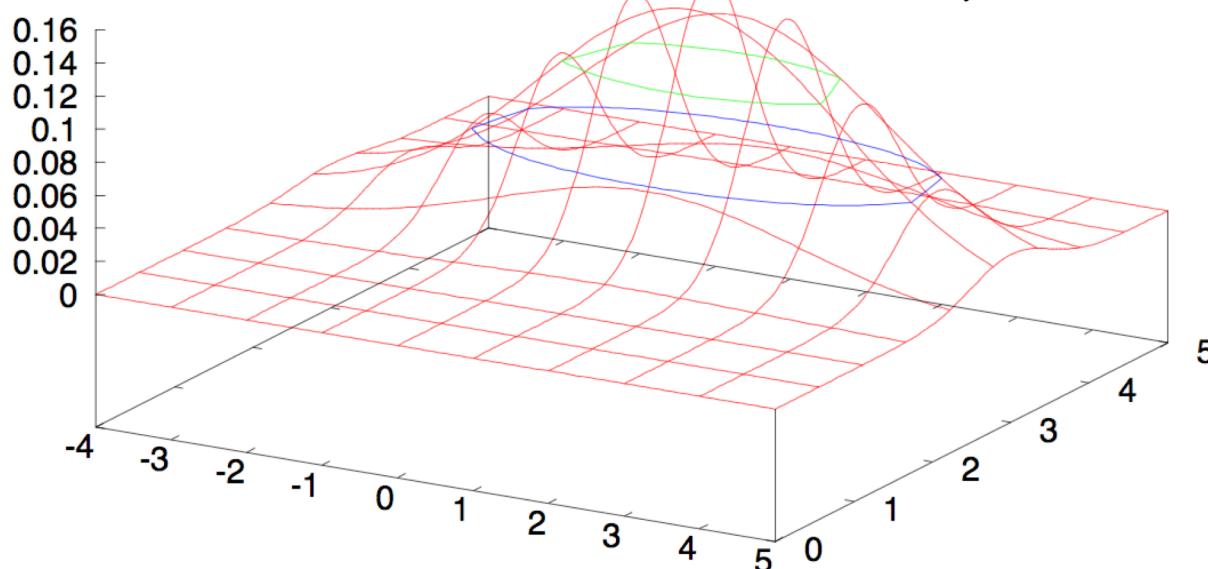
# Normal Density

## Bivariate Case (2)

- If  $x \sim N(\mu_x, \sigma_x)$  and  $y \sim N(\mu_y, \sigma_y)$  are independent

$$p(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y}\right)^2}$$

- Contours:  $\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2}(x - \mu_x)^2 + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2}(y - \mu_y)^2 = c$



$$\begin{aligned} p(x, y) &= N\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ &= N\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\frac{1}{2})^2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{variance-covariance matrix}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

# Normal Density

## Multivariate Case

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- We say  $\mathbf{x} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \Sigma)$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

where,

$\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)^t$  (t stands for the transpose vector form)

$\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_d)^t$  mean vector

$\Sigma$ :  $d \times d$  covariance matrix

$|\Sigma|$  and  $\Sigma^{-1}$  are determinant and inverse respectively

$(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$  is (square) *Mahalanobis distance*

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# Normal Density

## Multivariate Case

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$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \ln p(\mathbf{x}) &= \ln 1 - \ln \left[ (2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2} \right] + \ln \left[ e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})} \right] \\ &= 0 - \frac{d}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{d}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma|\end{aligned}$$

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density

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- $p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_i) \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, \Sigma_i)$
- We had  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \ln p(\mathbf{x} | \omega_i) + \ln P(\omega_i)$

$$\Rightarrow g_i(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i)^t \Sigma_i^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i) - \frac{d}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma_i| + \ln P(\omega_i)$$

- Case 1:  $\Sigma_i = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$
  - Case 2:  $\Sigma_i = \Sigma$
  - Case 3:  $\Sigma_i = \text{arbitrary}$
- } linear discriminant function

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density (2)

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- Case 1: features are statistically independent ( $\sigma_{ij} = 0$ ) and share same variance  $\sigma^2$

$$\begin{aligned}g_i(\mathbf{x}) &= -\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i\|^2}{2\sigma^2} + \ln P(\omega_i) \\&= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\cancel{\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}} - 2\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^T \mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu}_i] + \ln P(\omega_i) \\&= \boxed{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} + \alpha_{i0}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{a}_i = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i$$

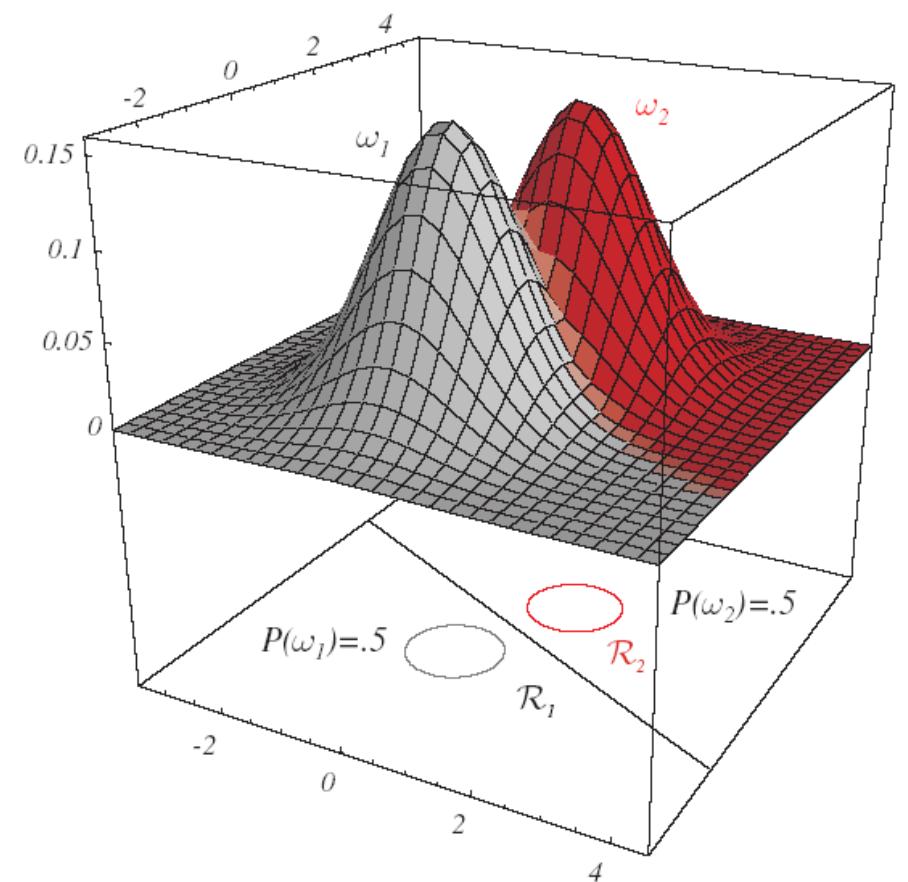
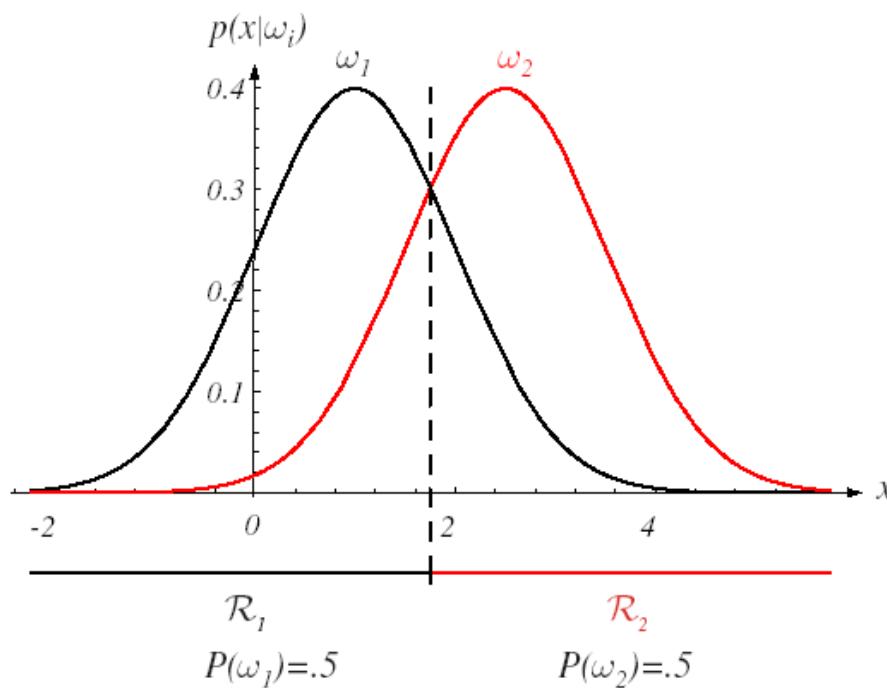
$$\alpha_{i0} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu}_i] + \ln P(\omega_i)$$

- All priors equal  $\Rightarrow$  Minimum (Euclidean) distance classifier

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density (3)

- Case 1: distributions are “spherical” in  $d$  dimensions; boundary is a *hyperplane* in  $d-1$  dimensions perpendicular to line between means



# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density (4)

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- Case 2: samples fall in hyperellipsoidal clusters of equal size and shape

$$\begin{aligned}g_i(\mathbf{x}) &= -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^t \Sigma_i^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \ln P(\omega_i) \\&= \mathbf{a}_i^t \mathbf{x} + \alpha_{i0} \quad \text{as } \mathbf{x}^t \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{x} \text{ can be dropped}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_i = \Sigma_i^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i$

$$\alpha_{i0} = -\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^t \Sigma_i^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_i + \ln P(\omega_i)$$

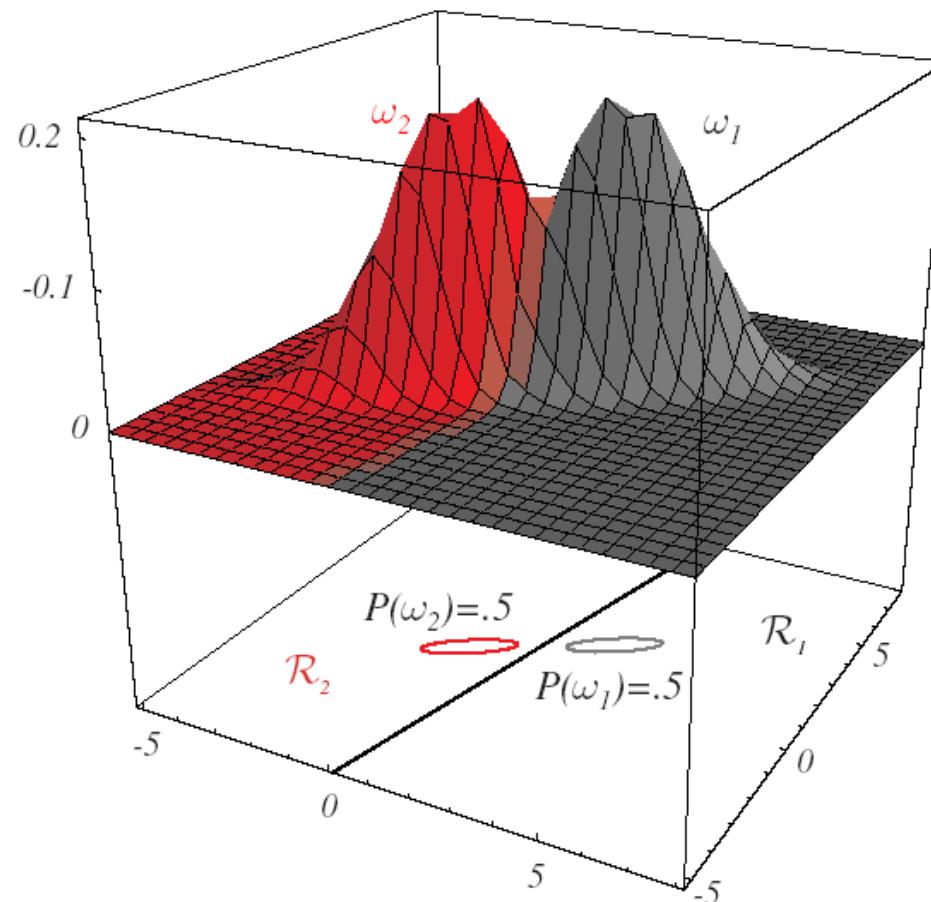
- All priors equal  $\Rightarrow$  Minimum (Mahalanobis) distance classifier

# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density (5)

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- Case 2: hyperplane separating class regions is generally not perpendicular to line between the means



# Bayesian Decision Theory

## Discriminant Function – Normal Density (6)

- Case 3: decision surfaces are hyperquadratics (i.e., hyperplanes, pairs of hyperplanes, hyperspheres, hyperellipsoids, hyperhyperboloids)

