

# ECSE-6610: PR Homework Set 1

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**Assigned Date:** Feb 2, 2018.

**Due Date:** Feb 9, 2018.

**Collaboration Policy.** Homeworks will be done individually: each student must hand in their own answers. Use of partial or entire solutions obtained from others or online is strictly prohibited.

**Late Policy.** No late submissions will be allowed without consent from the instructor. If urgent or unusual circumstances prohibit you from submitting a homework assignment in time, please e-mail me explaining the situation.

**Submission Format.** Electronic submission of a zip file is mandatory. Include code in your pdf file as needed to make your answers clear. Submit all code separately.

**Problem 1 (10 points)** Let  $\omega_{max}(\mathbf{x})$  be the state of nature for which  $P(\omega_{max}|\mathbf{x}) \geq P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x})$  for all  $i, i = 1, \dots, c$ .

- (a) [2 points] Show that  $P(\omega_{max}|\mathbf{x}) \geq \frac{1}{c}$ .
- (b) [2 points] Show that for the minimum-error-rate decision rule the average probability of error is given by

$$P(error) = 1 - \int P(\omega_{max}|\mathbf{x})P(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} \quad (1)$$

- (c) [3 points] Use these two results to show that  $P(error) \leq \frac{c-1}{c}$ .
- (d) [3 points] Describe a situation for which  $P(error) = \frac{c-1}{c}$ .

**Problem 2 (20 points)** In many pattern classification problems one has the option either to assign the pattern to one of  $c$  classes, or to reject it as being unrecognizable. If the cost for rejects is not too high, rejection may be a desirable action. Let

$$\lambda(a_i|\omega_j) = \begin{cases} 0 & i = j, j = 1, \dots, c \\ \lambda_r & i = c + 1 \\ \lambda_s & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $\lambda_r$  is the loss incurred for choosing the  $(c + 1)$ -th action, rejection, and  $\lambda_s$  is the loss incurred for making any substituting error. Show that the minimizing risk is obtained if we decide  $\omega_i$  if  $P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x}) \geq P(\omega_j|\mathbf{x})$  for all  $j$  and if  $P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x}) \geq 1 - \lambda_r/\lambda_s$ , and reject otherwise.

- (a) [10 points] What happens if  $\lambda_r = 0$ ?
- (b) [10 points] What happens if  $\lambda_r > \lambda_s$ ?

**Hints:** The input pattern  $\mathbf{x}$  still belongs to one of the  $c$  classes and the posteriors  $P(\omega_i|\mathbf{x})$  obey the law of total probability. If one classifies the input as belonging to class  $i \neq c + 1$ , what is the risk of rejection?

**Problem 3 (20 points)** Consider a two-category classification problem in two dimensions with  $p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1) \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{I}\right)$ ,  $p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2) \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{I}\right)$ , and  $P(\omega_1) = P(\omega_2) = 0.5$ .

- (a) [5 points] Calculate the Bayes decision boundary.
- (b) [5 points] Calculate the Bhattacharyya error bound.
- (c) [10 points] Repeat the above for the same prior probabilities, but  $p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1) \sim N\left(\mathbf{0}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}\right)$  and  $p(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2) \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}\right)$ .

**Problem 4 (10 points)** Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be a  $d$ -dimensional binary (0 or 1) vector with a multivariate Bernoulli distribution

$$P(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^d \theta_i^{x_i} (1 - \theta_i)^{1-x_i}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)^T$  is an unknown parameter vector,  $\theta_i$  being the probability that  $x_i = 1$ . Show that the maximum likelihood estimate for  $\theta$  is

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{x}_k. \quad (4)$$

**Problem 5 (40 points + Extra 20 points)** Generate 10,000 samples from each 2D Gaussian distribution specified by the following parameters:

$$\mu_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mu_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

Please, note that this is not the same as sampling the functions shown above; see “Generating Gaussian Random Numbers“ (Link: <https://www.taygeta.com/random/gaussian.html>) for more information on how to generate the samples using the Box-Muller transformation. A link to C code (Link: <ftp://ftp.taygeta.com/pub/c/boxmuller.c>) has been provided. Since the code generates samples for 1D distributions, you would need to call the function twice to get a 2D sample (x, y); use the x-mean, x-variance for the x sample and the y-mean, y-variance for the y sample.

(a) [10 points] Assuming  $P(\omega_1) = P(\omega_2)$ , design and implement a Max Likelihood classifier and a naive Bayes classifier. Use the first 80% for training, and the rest of 20% as testing. Report the classification accuracy for each class separately and the overall accuracy at both the training and testing stages.

(b) [10 points] Repeat part (a) for  $P(\omega_1) = 0.2$  and  $P(\omega_2) = 0.8$ .

(c) [20 points] Repeat the above (a) using  $P(\omega_1) = 0.2$ ,  $P(\omega_2) = 0.8$  and the following parameters:

$$\mu_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mu_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \Sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

(d)[**Extra 20 points**] Plot ROC curves to evaluate the performance of the classifiers used in above (c).

**Hints:** You can use  $P(\omega_2|\mathbf{x})$  as the scores to draw the ROC curve, assuming that you consider  $\omega_2$  as positive class. You also can use  $P(\mathbf{x}|\omega_2)/P(\mathbf{x}|\omega_1)$  as the scores to draw the ROC curve.