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# Classification



# **Example: Gender Classification**



Incremental logistic regression

$$Pr(w_i|\mathbf{x}_i) = \operatorname{Bern}_{w_i} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-\phi_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{K} \phi_k f[\mathbf{x}_i, \boldsymbol{\xi}_k]]} \right]$$

300 arc tan basis functions:  $f[\mathbf{x}_i, \boldsymbol{\xi}_k] = \arctan[\boldsymbol{\xi}_k^T \mathbf{x}_i]$ 

Results: 87.5% (humans=95%)

# **Regression vs. Classification**

**Regression:** 

$$x\in [-\infty,\infty], t\in [-\infty,\infty]$$

Classification (two classes):

$$x \in [-\infty, \infty], t \in \{0, 1\}$$

# **Regression vs. Classification**

Linear regression model prediction (y real)

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + w_0$$

Classification: y in range (0,1) (posterior probabilities)

$$y(\mathbf{x}) = f\left(\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + w_0\right)$$

f: Activation function (nonlinear) Decision surface:  $\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + w_0 = \text{constant}$ (Generalized linear models)

# **Decision Theory**

Inference step

Determine either  $p(t|\mathbf{x})$  or  $p(\mathbf{x}, t)$ .

Decision step

For given x, determine optimal t.

# Minimum Misclassification Rate



# Minimum Misclassification Rate

$$p(\text{mistake}) = p(\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}_1, \mathcal{C}_2) + p(\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}_2, \mathcal{C}_1)$$
$$= \int_{\mathcal{R}_1} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{C}_2) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x} + \int_{\mathcal{R}_2} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{C}_1) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}.$$

We are free to choose the decision rule that assigns each point x to one of the two classes. This defines the decision regions Rk.

To minimize integrand:  $p(\mathbf{x}, C_k) = p(C_k | \mathbf{x}) p(\mathbf{x})$  must be small Assign x to class for which the posterior  $p(C_k | \mathbf{x})$  is larger!

# Minimum Expected Loss

Example: classify medical images as 'cancer' or 'normal'

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Decision} \\ \text{cancer normal} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{pcancer} \\ \text{normal} \end{array} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1000 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$ 

## Minimum Expected Loss

$$\mathbb{E}[L] = \sum_{k} \sum_{j} \int_{\mathcal{R}_{j}} L_{kj} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathcal{C}_{k}) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}$$

#### Regions $\mathcal{R}_j$ are chosen to minimize

$$\mathbb{E}[L] = \sum_{k} L_{kj} p(\mathcal{C}_k | \mathbf{x})$$

# **Reject Option**



# Three strategies

1. Modeling the class-conditional density for each class  $C_k$ , and prior, then use Bayes

$$p(\mathcal{C}_k | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_k) p(\mathcal{C}_k)}{p(\mathbf{x})}$$

Equivalently, model joint distribution  $p(x,C_k)$  (Models of distribution of input and output are generative models)

- 2. First solve the inference problem of determining the posterior class probabilities  $p(C_k|x)$ , and then subsequently use decision theory to assign each new x to one of the classes (discriminative models)
- 3. Find discriminant function that directly maps x to class label

#### Class-conditional density vs. posterior



# Why Separate Inference and Decision?

- Minimizing risk (loss matrix may change over time)
- Reject option
- Unbalanced class priors
- Combining models

#### Several dimensions



# Several dimensions



#### Perceptron 1

#### A linear discriminant model by Rosenblatt (1962)

with 
$$y(\mathbf{x}) = f\left(\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\phi}(\mathbf{x})\right)$$
  
 $f(a) = \begin{cases} +1, & a \ge 0\\ -1, & a < 0 \end{cases}$ 

and feature vector  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ 

## Perceptron 2

Perceptron criterion

$$E_{\mathrm{P}}(\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n \in \mathcal{M}} \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\phi}_{n} t_{n}$$

*M* is set of misclassified patterns Learning:

$$\mathbf{w}^{(\tau+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(\tau)} - \eta \nabla E_{\mathrm{P}}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{w}^{(\tau)} + \eta \boldsymbol{\phi}_n t_n$$

#### Perceptron 3



# Projecting data down to one dimension $y = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}$

But how?



Define class means

$$\mathbf{m}_1 = \frac{1}{N_1} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_1} \mathbf{x}_n,$$

$$\mathbf{m}_2 = \frac{1}{N_2} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_2} \mathbf{x}_n$$

Try maximize

$$m_2 - m_1 = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}(\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)$$



# Instead, consider: ratio of between class variance to within class variance

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{(m_2 - m_1)^2}{s_1^2 + s_2^2}$$

With  $s_k^2 = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_k} (y_n - m_k)^2$ 

#### Called Fisher criterion. Maximize it!

**Fisher criterion** 

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{(m_2 - m_1)^2}{s_1^2 + s_2^2}$$

Rewrite

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{B}} \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}} \mathbf{w}}$$

Between-class cov.

$$\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{B}} = (\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)(\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

Within-class cov.

$$\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}} = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_1) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_1)^{\mathrm{T}} + \sum_{n \in \mathcal{C}_2} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_2) (\mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{m}_2)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{B}} \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}} \mathbf{w}}$$

Differentiate with respect to w

$$(\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{B}}\mathbf{w})\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}}\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}}\mathbf{w})\mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{B}}\mathbf{w}$$

#### $S_B w$ is proportional to $(m_2 - m_1)$ Thus (Fisher's linear discriminant):

$$\mathbf{w} \propto \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}}^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_2-\mathbf{m}_1)$$

Fisher's linear discriminant

**Fisher Criterion** 

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$$\mathbf{w} \propto \mathbf{S}_{\mathrm{W}}^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_2 - \mathbf{m}_1)$$
  $J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{(m_2 - m_1)^2}{s_1^2 + s_2^2}$ 



#### Least squares for classification fails



Use logistic regression instead!

# Probabilistic generative models

Posterior probability for class C<sub>1</sub> can be written

$$p(\mathcal{C}_1 | \mathbf{x}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_1) p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_1) p(\mathcal{C}_1) + p(\mathbf{x} | \mathcal{C}_2) p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$$
$$= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)} = \sigma(a)$$

with  $a = \ln \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_1)p(\mathcal{C}_1)}{p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_2)p(\mathcal{C}_2)}$ 

and the logistic sigmoid function  $\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$ 

#### Logistic sigmoid function



# Gaussian class-conditional densities (different means, but equal variances)

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathcal{C}_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{D/2}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{\Sigma}|^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_k)\right\}$$

Yields  $p(\mathcal{C}_1|\mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + w_0)$ 

with  $w = \Sigma^{-1}(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$  $w_0 = -\frac{1}{2}\mu_1^{\mathrm{T}}\Sigma^{-1}\mu_1 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2^{\mathrm{T}}\Sigma^{-1}\mu_2 + \ln \frac{p(C_1)}{p(C_2)}$ 

#### Linear function of x in argument of logistic sigmoid







Probabilistic discriminative models: Logistic regression - A model of classification

Posterior probability of class  $C_1$  can be written as a logistic sigmoid acting on a linear function of the feature vector  $\phi$ 

$$p(\mathcal{C}_1|\boldsymbol{\phi}) = y(\boldsymbol{\phi}) = \sigma\left(\mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\phi}\right)$$

 $\sigma(\bullet)$  is sigmoid function  $\sigma(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$ 

Also: 
$$p(C_2|\phi) = 1 - p(C_1|\phi)$$

M parameter (M(M+5)/2+1 for generative model)

#### Maximum likelihood logistic regression (1)

$$p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{w}) = \prod_{n=1}^{N} y_n^{t_n} \left\{1 - y_n\right\}^{1-t_n}$$
  
With  $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_N)^{\mathrm{T}}$  and  $y_n = p(\mathcal{C}_1|\boldsymbol{\phi}_n)$ 

for a data set { $\phi_n$ ,  $t_n$ }, where  $t_n \in$  {0,1} and  $\phi_n = \phi(x_n)$ , with n = 1,..., N

#### **Error function**

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left\{ t_n \ln y_n + (1 - t_n) \ln(1 - y_n) \right\}$$
  
with  $y_n = \sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \phi_n)$ 

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Maximum likelihood logistic regression (2)

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = -\ln p(\mathbf{t}|\mathbf{w}) = -\sum_{n=1}^{N} \{t_n \ln y_n + (1 - t_n) \ln(1 - y_n)\}$$

Gradient of the error function with respect to w

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} (y_n - t_n) \boldsymbol{\phi}_n$$

Stochastic gradient update rule

$$\mathbf{w}^{(\tau+1)} = \mathbf{w}^{(\tau)} - \eta \nabla E_n$$

 $\tau$ : iteration number;  $\eta$ : learning rate parameter

# Example



#### Logistic regression



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Learning by standard methods (ML,MAP, Bayesian) Inference: Just evaluate Pr(w|x)

#### **Neater Notation**

$$Pr(w|\phi_0, \phi, \mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{Bern}_w[\operatorname{sig}[a]]$$

To make notation easier to handle, we

• Attach a 1 to the start of every data vector

$$\mathbf{x}_i \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{x}_i^T \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- Attach the offset to the start of the gradient vector  $\boldsymbol{\varphi}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{\phi} \leftarrow [\phi_0 \quad \boldsymbol{\phi}^T]^T$$

New model:

$$Pr(w|\boldsymbol{\phi}, \mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{Bern}_{w} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-\boldsymbol{\phi}^{T}\mathbf{x}]} \right]$$

#### Logistic regression



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