

PART 2: Statistical Pattern Classification: Optimal Classification with Bayes Rule

Statistical Approach to P.R

$$X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_d]$$

Dimension of the feature space: d

Set of different states of nature: $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_c\}$

Categories: c

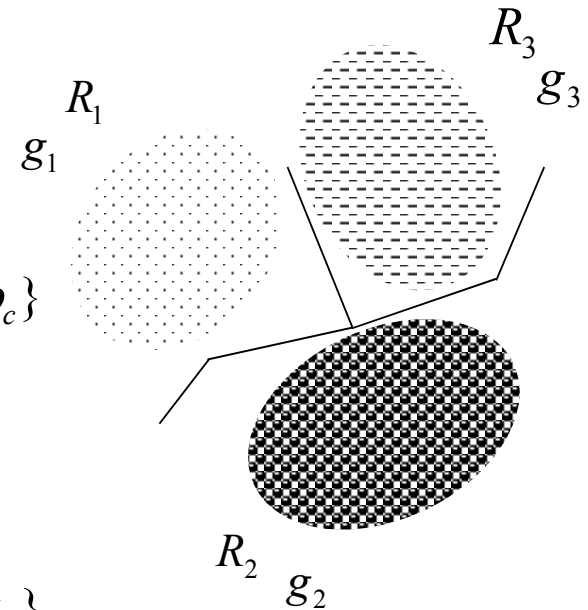
find R_i $R_i \cap R_j = \varnothing$ $\cup R_i = R^d$

set of possible actions (decisions): $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_a\}$

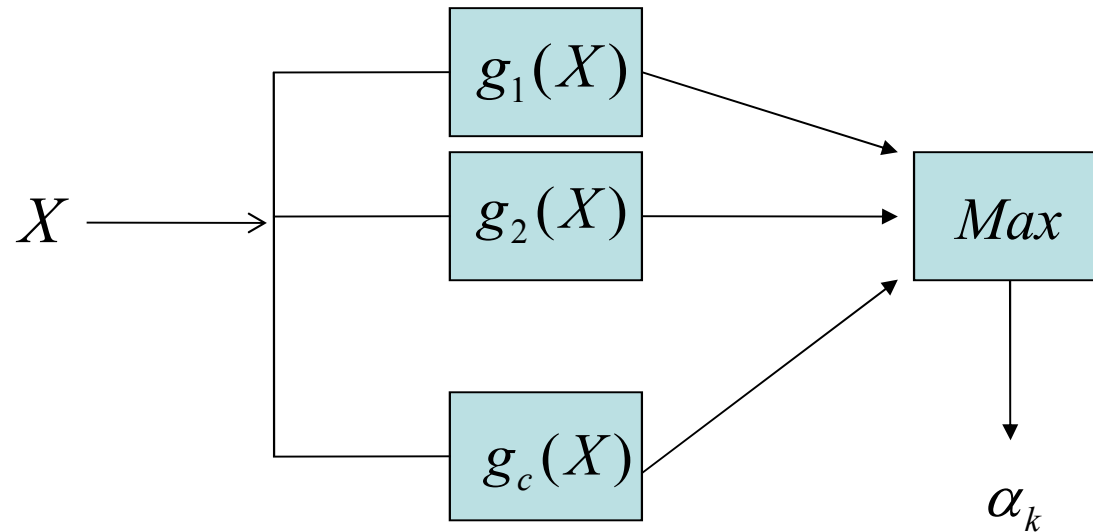
Here, a decision might include a 'reject option'

A Discriminant Function $g_i(X) \geq g_j(X) \quad g_i(X) \quad 1 \leq i \leq c$

in region R_i ; decision rule : α_k if $g_k(X) > g_j(X)$



A Pattern Classifier



So our aim now will be to define these functions g_1, g_2, \dots, g_c to *minimize* or *optimize* a criterion.

Parametric Approach to Classification

- 'Bayes Decision Theory' is used for minimum-error/minimum risk pattern classifier design.
- Here, it is assumed that if a sample X is drawn from a class ω_i it is a random variable represented with a multivariate probability density function.

'Class- conditional density function'

$$P(X|\omega_i)$$

- We also know a-priori probability $P(\omega_i)$
 $1 \leq i \leq c$ (c is no. of classes)
- Then, we can talk about a decision rule that minimizes the probability of error.
- Suppose we have the observation X
- This observation is going to change a-priori assumption to a-posteriori probability:

$$P(\omega_i | X)$$

- which can be found by the Bayes Rule.

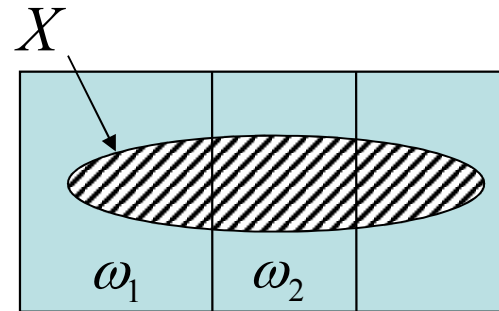
$$P(\omega_i|X) = P(\omega_i, X) / P(X)$$

$$= \frac{P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)}{P(X)}$$

- $P(X)$ can be found by Total Probability Rule:
When ω_i 's are disjoint,

$$P(X) = \sum_{i=1}^c P(\omega_i, X)$$

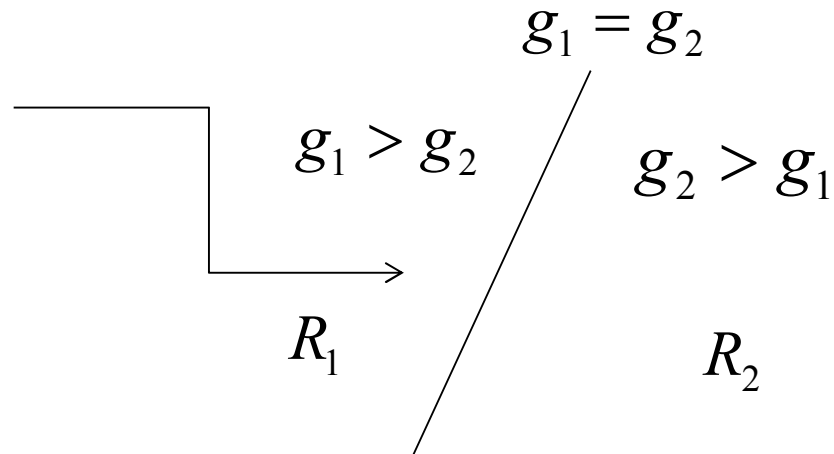
$$P(X) = \sum_{i=1}^c P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)$$



- *Decision Rule: Choose the category with highest a-posteriori probability, calculated as above, using Bayes Rule.*

then, $g_i(X) = P(\omega_i|X)$ 1

Decision boundary:



or in general, decision boundaries are where:

$$g_i(X) = g_j(X)$$

between regions R_i and R_j

- Single feature - decision boundary - point
- 2 features - curve
- 3 features - surface
- More than 3 - hypersurface

$$g_i(X) = P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)$$

$$g_i(X) = \frac{P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)}{P(X)}$$

- Sometimes, it is easier to work with logarithms

$$g_i(X) = \log[P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)]$$

$$g_i(X) = \log P(X|\omega_i) + \log P(\omega_i)$$

- Since logarithmic function is a monotonically increasing function, log fn will give the same result.

2 Category Case:

c_1, c_2

Assign to c_1 if (α_1) $P(\omega_1|X) > P(\omega_2|X)$

c_2 if (α_2) $P(\omega_1|X) < P(\omega_2|X)$

But this is the same as:

$$c_1 \text{ if } \frac{P(X|\omega_1).P(\omega_1)}{P(X)} > \frac{P(X|\omega_2).P(\omega_2)}{P(X)}$$

By throwing away $P(X)$'s, we end up with:

$$c_1 \text{ if } P(X|\omega_1).P(\omega_1) > P(X|\omega_2).P(\omega_2)$$

Which the same as:

Likelihood ratio

$$\frac{P(X|\omega_1)}{P(X|\omega_2)} > \frac{P(X|\omega_2)}{P(X|\omega_1)} = k$$

Example: a single feature, 2 category problem with gaussian density

: Diagnosis of diabetes using sugar count X

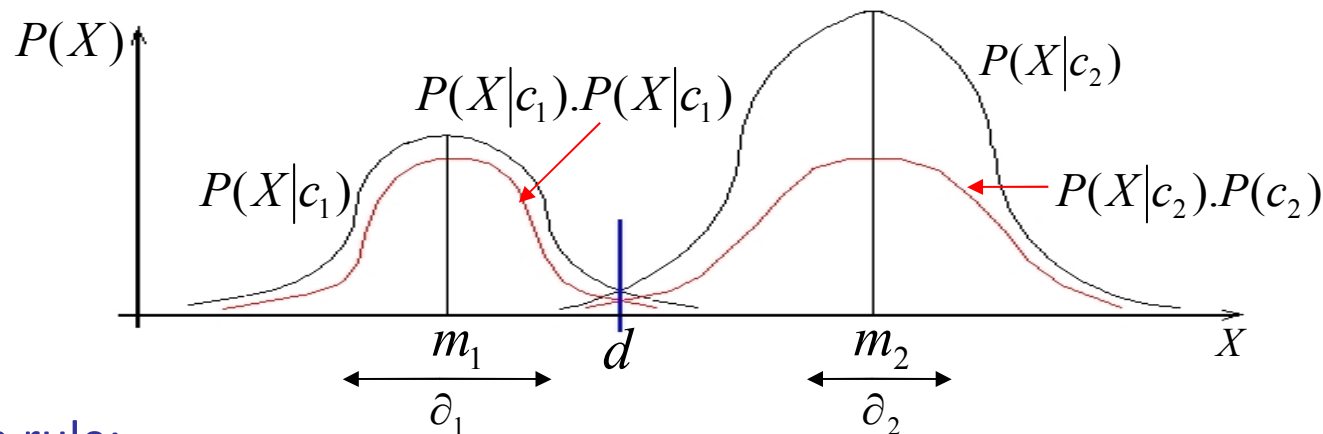
c_1 state of being healthy

$$P(c_1) = 0.7$$

c_2 state of being sick (diabetes)

$$P(c_2) = 0.3$$

$P(X c_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hat{\sigma}_1^2}} \cdot e^{-(X-m_1)^2/2\hat{\sigma}_1^2}$	$P(X c_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\hat{\sigma}_2^2}} \cdot e^{-(X-m_2)^2/2\hat{\sigma}_2^2}$
---	---



The decision rule:

$$c_1 \quad \text{if} \quad P(X|c_1) \cdot P(c_1) > P(X|c_2) \cdot P(c_2)$$

$$0.7P(X|c_1) > 0.3P(X|c_2)$$

Assume now: $m_1 = 10$ $m_2 = 20$ $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 2$

And we measured: $X = 17$

Assign the unknown sample: X to the correct category.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Find likelihood ratio:} &= \frac{e^{-(X-10)^2/8}}{e^{-(X-20)^2/8}} \quad \text{for} \quad X = 17 \\ &= e^{-4.9} = 0.006 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Compare with:} \quad \frac{P(c_2)}{P(c_1)} = \frac{0.3}{0.7} = 0.43 > 0.006$$

So assign: X to c_2

Example: A discrete problem

Consider a 2-feature, 3 category case

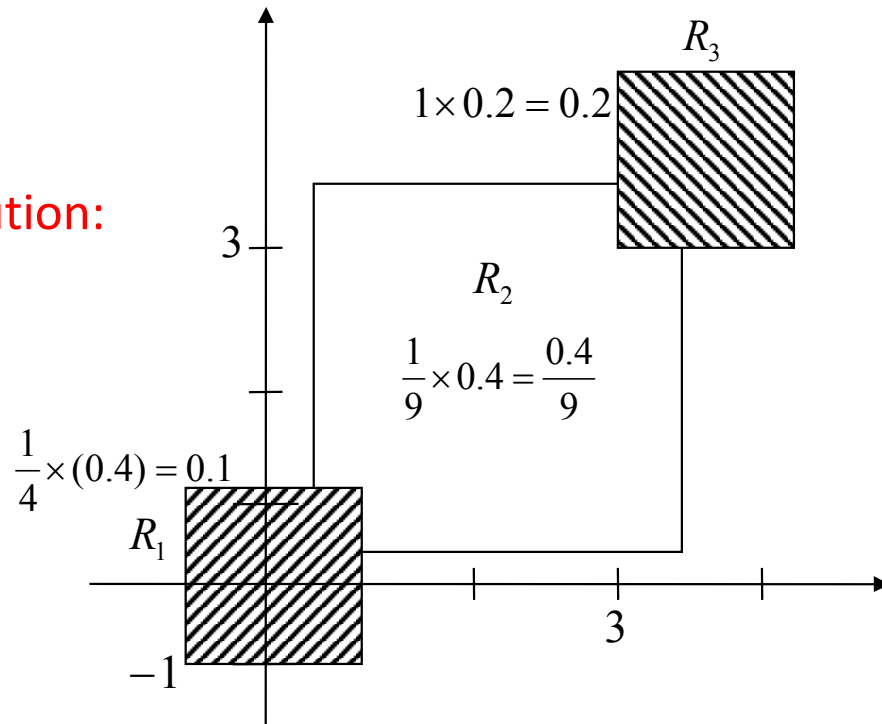
where:
$$P(X_1, X_2 | c_i) = \begin{cases} = \frac{1}{(a_i - b_i)^2} & \text{for } a_i < X_1 < b_i \\ & a_i < X_2 < b_i \\ = 0 & \text{other wise} \end{cases}$$

And $P(c_1) = 0.4$, $P(c_2) = 0.4$, $P(c_3) = 0.2$

Find the decision boundaries and regions:

$$\begin{array}{ll} a_1 = -1 & b_1 = 1 \\ a_2 = 0.5 & b_2 = 3.5 \\ a_3 = 3 & b_3 = 4 \end{array}$$

Solution:



Remember now that for the 2-class case:

$$c_1 \quad P(X|c_1).P(c_1) > P(X|c_2).P(c_2)$$

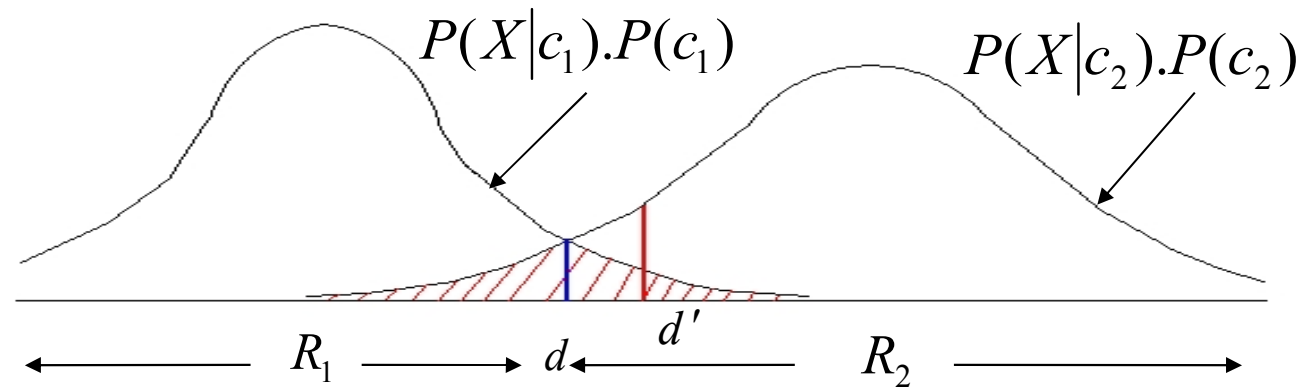
or

$$\frac{P(X|c_1)}{P(X|c_2)} > \frac{P(X|c_2)}{P(X|c_1)} = k$$

Likelihood ratio

Error probabilities and a simple proof of minimum error

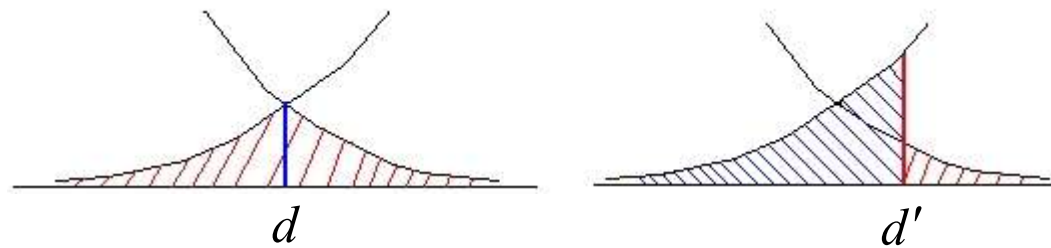
Consider again a 2-class 1-d problem:



Let's show that: if the decision boundary is d (intersection point) rather than any arbitrary point d' .

Then $P(E)$ (probability of error) is minimum.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(E) &= P(X \in R_2, c_1) + P(X \in R_1, c_2) \\
 &= P(X \in R_2 | c_1) \cdot P(c_1) + P(X \in R_1 | c_2) \cdot P(c_2) \\
 &= \left[\int_{R_2} P(X | c_1) dX \right] \cdot P(c_1) + \left[\int_{R_1} P(X | c_2) dX \right] \cdot P(c_2) \\
 &= \int_{R_2} P(X | c_1) \cdot P(c_1) dX + \int_{R_1} P(X | c_2) \cdot P(c_2) dX
 \end{aligned}$$



It can very easily be seen that the $P(E)$ is minimum if $d' = d$.

Minimum Risk Classification

Risk associated with incorrect decision might be more important than the probability of error.

So our decision criterion might be modified to minimize the average risk in making an incorrect decision.

We define a conditional risk (expected loss) for decision α_i when X occurs as:

$$R^i(X) = \sum_{j=1}^c \lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j) \cdot P(\omega_j | X)$$

Where $\lambda(\alpha_i | \omega_j)$ is defined as the conditional loss associated with decision α_i when the true class is ω_j . It is assumed that λ is known.

The decision rule: decide on c_i if $R^i(X) < R^j(X)$
for all $1 \leq j \leq c \quad i \neq j$

The discriminant function here can be defined as: $g_i(X) = -R^i(X)$

- We can show that minimum - error decision is a special case of above rule where:

$$\lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_i) = 0$$

$$\lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_j) = 1$$

then,
$$R^i(X) = \sum_{j \neq i} P(\omega_j|X)$$

$$= 1 - P(\omega_i|X)$$

so the rule is α_i if $1 - P(\omega_i|X) < 1 - P(\omega_j|X)$

$$\equiv P(\omega_i|X) > P(\omega_j|X)$$

For the 2 - category case, minimum - risk classifier becomes:

$$R^{\alpha_1}(X) = \lambda_{11}P(\omega_1|X) + \lambda_{12}P(\omega_2|X)$$

$$R^{\alpha_2}(X) = \lambda_{22}P(\omega_2|X) + \lambda_{21}P(\omega_1|X)$$

$$\alpha_1 \text{ if } \lambda_{11}P(\omega_1|X) + \lambda_{12}P(\omega_2|X) > \lambda_{22}P(\omega_2|X) + \lambda_{21}P(\omega_1|X)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda_{11} - \lambda_{21}).P(\omega_1|X) > (\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22}).P(\omega_2|X)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda_{11} - \lambda_{21}).\underline{P(X|\omega_1).P(\omega_1)} > (\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22}).\underline{P(X|\omega_2)P(\omega_2)}$$

$$\alpha_1 \text{ if } \frac{P(X|\omega_1)}{P(X|\omega_2)} > \frac{(\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22})}{(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11})} \cdot \frac{P(\omega_2)}{P(\omega_1)}$$

Otherwise, α_2 .

This is the same as likelihood rule if $\lambda_{22} = \lambda_{11} = 0$

and $\lambda_{12} = \lambda_{21} = 1$

Discriminant Functions so far

For Minimum Error: $+ P(\omega_i|X)$
 $+ P(X|\omega_i).P(\omega_i)$
 $+ \log P(X|\omega_i) + \log P(\omega_i)$

For Minimum Risk: $-R^i(X)$

Where $R^i(X) = \sum_{j=1}^c \lambda(\alpha_i|\omega_j).P(\omega_j|X)$

Bayes (Maximum Likelihood) Decision:

- Most general optimal solution
- Provides an upper limit (you cannot do better with other rule)
- Useful in comparing with other classifiers

Special Cases of Discriminant Functions

Multivariate Gaussian (Normal) Density $N(M, \Sigma)$:

The general density form:
$$P(X) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-1/2(X-M)^T \Sigma^{-1}(X-M)}$$

Here X is the feature vector of size d

M : d element mean vector $E(X) = M = [\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_d]^T$

$\Sigma_{d \times d}$: covariance matrix

$$\Sigma_{ij} = E[(X_i - \mu_i)(X_j - \mu_j)]$$

$$\Sigma_{ii} = E[(X_i - \mu_i)^2]$$

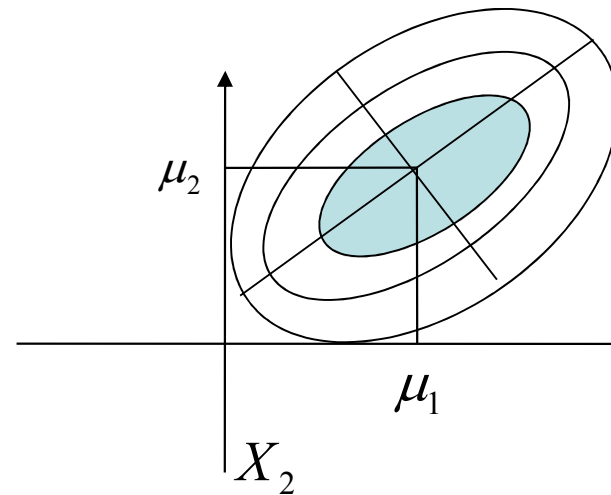
(variance of feature X_i)

Σ - symmetric

$\Sigma_{ij} = 0$ when X_i and X_j are statistically independent.

$|\Sigma|$ determinant of Σ

General shape:
where



← Hyper ellipsoids

$$(X - M)^T \Sigma^{-1} (X - M)$$

is constant:

Mahalanobis

Distance

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

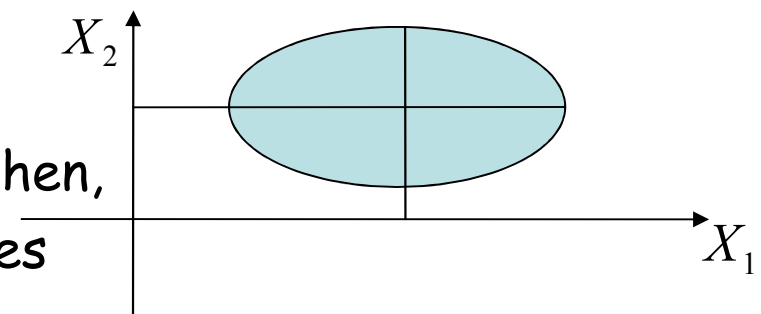
2 - d problem:

X_1, X_2

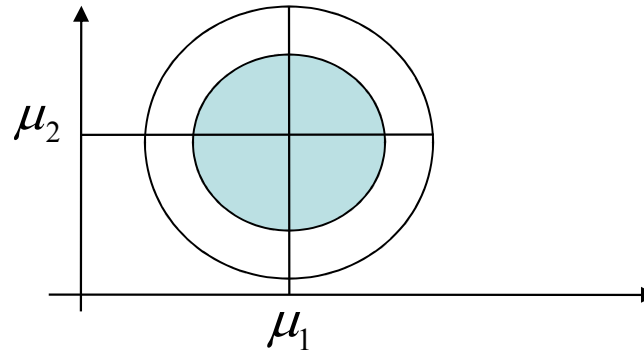
If $\Sigma_{12} = 0, \Sigma_{21} = 0$

(statistically independent features) then,

major axes are parallel to major ellipsoid axes



if in addition $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$



in general, the equal density curves are hyper ellipsoids. Now

$$g_i(X) = \log_e P(X|\omega_i) + \log_e P(\omega_i)$$

is used for $N(M_i, \Sigma_i)$ since its ease in manipulation

$$g_i(X) = -(1/2).(X - M_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1} (X - M_i) \\ - (1/2) \log|\Sigma_i| + \log P(\omega_i)$$

$g_i(X)$ is a quadratic function of X as will be shown.

$$\begin{aligned}
g_i(X) = & -1/2.X^T \Sigma_i^{-1} X - 1/2.M_i^T \Sigma_i^{-1} M_i \\
& + 1/2.X^T \Sigma_i^{-1} M_i + 1/2.M_i^T \Sigma_i^{-1} X \\
& - 1/2.\log|\Sigma_i^{-1}| + \log P(\omega_i)
\end{aligned}$$

$$W_i = -1/2.\Sigma_i^{-1}$$

$$V_i = M_i^T \Sigma_i^{-1}$$

a scalar $W_{io} = -1/2.M_i^T \Sigma_i^{-1} M_i - 1/2.\log|\Sigma_i| + \log P(\omega_i)$

Then,

$g_i(X) = X^T W_i X + V_i X + W_{io}$
 On the decision boundary,

$$g_i(X) = g_j(X)$$

$$X^T W_i X - X^T W_j X + V_i X - V_j X + W_{io} - W_{jo} = 0$$

$$X^T (W_i - W_j)X + (V_i - V_j)X + (W_{io} - W_{jo}) = 0$$

$$X^T W X + V X + W_0 = 0$$

Decision boundary function is hyperquadratic in general.

Example in 2d.

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} & \omega_{12} \\ \omega_{21} & \omega_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = [v_1 \quad v_2]$$

Then, above boundary becomes $X = [x_1 \quad x_2]$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_{11} & \omega_{12} \\ \omega_{21} & \omega_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + W_0 = 0$$

$$\omega_{11}x_1^2 + 2\omega_{12}x_1x_2 + \omega_{22}x_2^2 + v_1x_1 + v_2x_2 + W_0 = 0$$

General form of hyper quadratic boundary IN 2-d.

The special cases of Gaussian:

Assume

Where $\Sigma_i = \sigma^2 I$ is the unit matrix

I

$$|\Sigma_i| = \sigma^{2d}$$

$$\Sigma_i = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma_i^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} I$$

$$g_i(X) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (X - M_i)^T \cdot (X - M_i) - \frac{1}{2} \log \sigma^{2d} + \log P(\omega_i)$$

$$g_i(X) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|X, M_i\|^2 + \log P(\omega_i)$$

(not a function of M_i X so can be removed)

Now assume

$$P(\omega_i) = P(\omega_j)$$

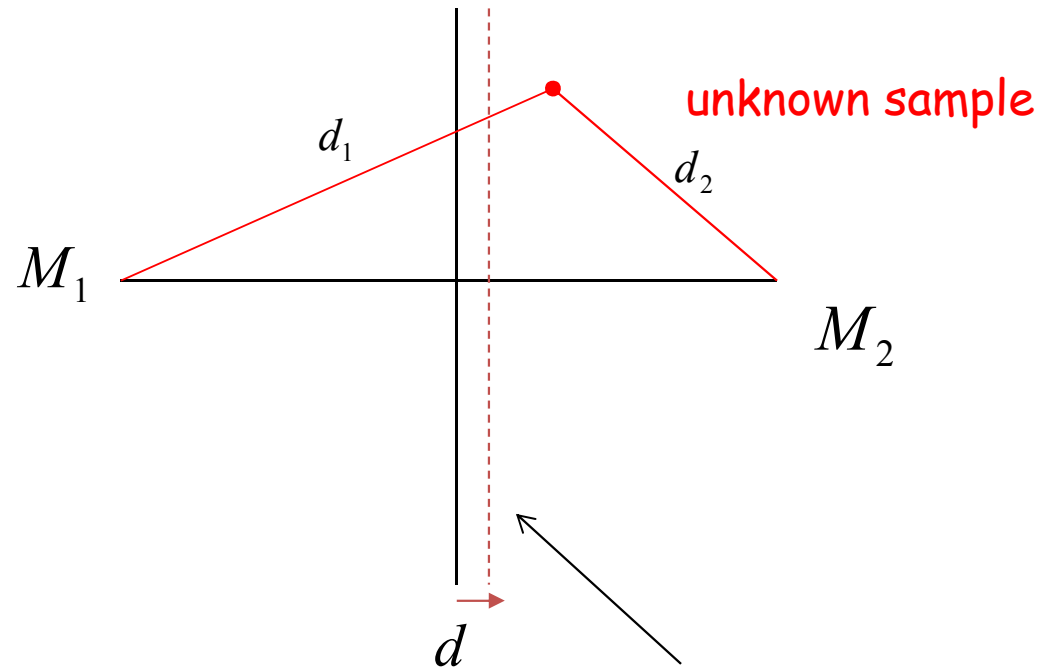
$$g_i(X) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|X, M_i\|^2 = -d^2(X, M_i)$$

euclidian distance between X and M_i

Then, the decision boundary is linear !

Decision

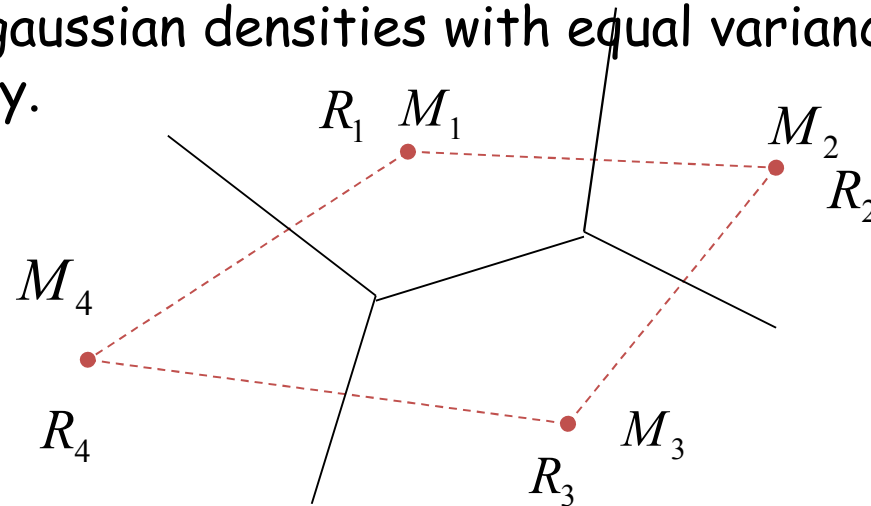
Rule: Assign the unknown sample to the closest mean's category



$d =$ Perpendicular bisector that will move towards the less probable category $P(\omega_2) \neq P(\omega_1)$

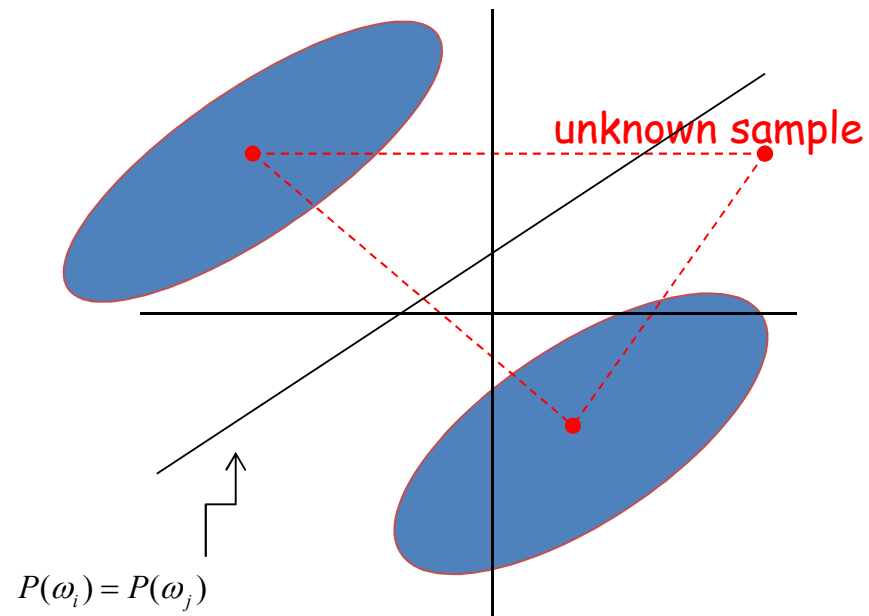
Minimum Distance Classifier

- Classify an unknown sample X to the category with closest mean !
- Optimum when gaussian densities with equal variance and equal a-priori probability.



Piecewise linear boundary in case of more than 2 categories.

- Another special case: It can be shown that when (Covariance matrices are the same)
- Samples fall in clusters of equal size and shape



is called Mahalonobis Distance

$$g_i(X) = -\frac{1}{2}(X - M_i)^T \Sigma^{-1}(X - M_i) + \log P(\omega_i)$$

is called Mahalonobis Distance

$$-\frac{1}{2}(X - M_i)^T \Sigma^{-1}(X - M_i)$$

Then, if $P(\omega_i) = P(\omega_j)$

The decision rule:

α_i if (Mahalanobis Distance of unknown sample to M_i) >
(Mahalanobis Distance of unknown sample to M_j)

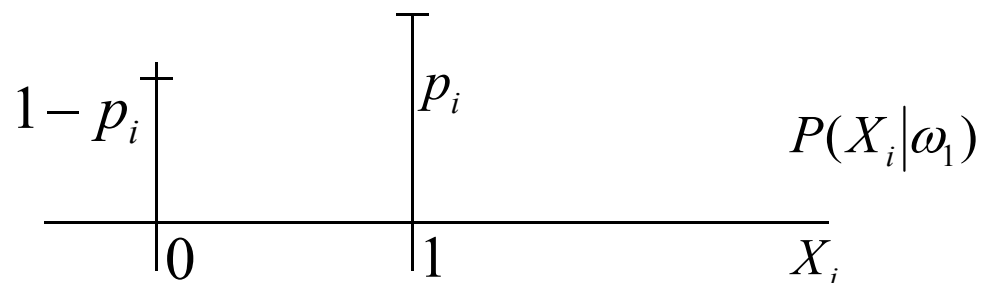
If

$P(\omega_i) \neq P(\omega_j)$
The boundary moves toward the less probable one.

Binary Random Variables

- Discrete features: Features can take only discrete values. Integrals are replaced by summations.

- Binary Features: 0 or 1 $p_i = (X_i = 1|\omega_1)$
 $q_i = (X_i = 1|\omega_2)$



- Assume binary features are statistically independent.
- Where X_i is binary

$$X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_d]^T$$

Binary Random Variables

Example: Bit - matrix for machine - printed characters



Here, each pixel may be taken as a feature X_i

For above problem, we have

$$d = 10 \times 10 = 100$$

is the probability that

for letter A,B,...

p_i

$$X_i = 1$$

$$P(x_i) = (p_i)^{x_i} (1-p_i)^{1-x_i}$$

defined for $x_i = 0,1$ undefined elsewhere:

$$P(X) = \prod_{i=1}^d P(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^d (p_i)^{x_i} (1-p_i)^{1-x_i}$$

$$g_k(X) = \log(P(X|w_k) + \log P(w_k)) = \sum_{i=1}^d x_i \log p_i + \sum (1-x_i) \log(1-p_i) + \log P(w_k)$$

- If statistical independence of features is assumed.
- Consider the 2 category problem; assume:

$$p_i = (x = 1 | \omega_1)$$

$$q_i = (x = 1 | \omega_2)$$

then, the decision boundary is:

$$\sum x_i \log p_i + \sum (1-x_i) \log(1-p_i) - \sum x_i \log q_i - \sum (1-x_i) \log(1-q_i) + \log P(\omega_1) - \log P(\omega_2) = 0$$

So if

$$\sum x_i \log \frac{p_i}{q_i} + \sum (1-x_i) \log \frac{1-p_i}{1-q_i} + \log \frac{P(\omega_1)}{P(\omega_2)}$$

> 0 category 1

else 2

The decision boundary is linear in X .

a weighted sum of the inputs

where:

and

$$W_i = \ln \frac{p_i(1-q_i)}{q_i(1-p_i)}$$

$$W_0 = \sum \ln \frac{1-p_i}{1-q_i} + \ln \frac{P(\omega_1)}{P(\omega_2)}$$