Classifiers: Naïve Bayes, k-NN, evaluation

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Bayes optimal strategy

- ▶ The Bayes optimal strategy : one minimizing mean risk. $\delta^* = \arg\min_{\delta} r(\delta)$
- \triangleright s states, x possible measurements, P(s,x) joint probababilities

$$r(\delta) = \sum_{x} \sum_{s} \ell(s, \delta(x)) P(x, s) = \sum_{s} \sum_{x} \ell(s, \delta(x)) P(s|x) P(x)$$

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where conditional risk $r(d,x) = \sum_{s} \ell(s,d) P(s|x)$.

- \triangleright Risk of a strategy is a weighted sum of conditional risks (conditioned on x)
- ▶ The optimal strategy is obtained by minimizing the conditional risk *separately* for each *x*:

$$\delta^*(x) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{d} r(d, x) = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{d} \sum_{s} \ell(s, d) P(s|x)$$

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- ▶ State set S = decision set $D = \{0, 1, ... 9\}$.
- ► State = actual class, Decision = recognized class
- Loss function

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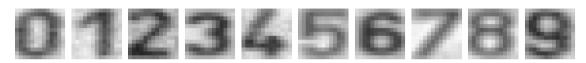
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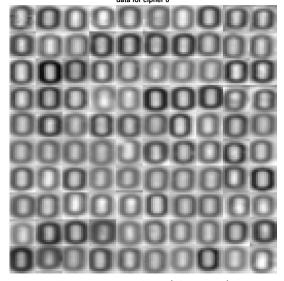


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Optimal (Bayes) Classification

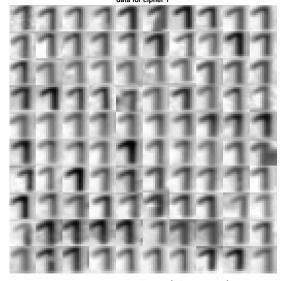
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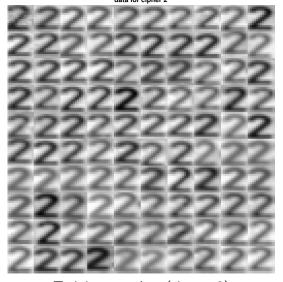
Training samples: $(\vec{x}_i, s = 0)$

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Training samples: $(\vec{x}_i, s = 2)$

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How many images?



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A: 169²⁵⁶

B: 256¹⁶⁹

C: 13¹³

D: 169 × 256

E: different quantity

Naive Bayes

Naïve Bayes classification

- For efficient classification we must thus rely on additional assumptions.
- In the exceptional case of conditional statistical independence between components of \vec{x} for each class s it holds

$$P(\vec{x}|s) = P(x[1]|s) \cdot P(x[2]|s) \cdot \dots$$

Use simple Bayes law and maximize:

$$P(s|\vec{x}) = \frac{P(\vec{x}|s)P(s)}{P(\vec{x})} = \frac{P(s)}{P(\vec{x})}P(x[1]|s) \cdot P(x[2]|s) \cdot \ldots =$$

- No combinatorial curse in estimating P(s) and P(x[i]|s) separately for each i and s.
- No need to estimate $P(\vec{x})$. (Why?)
- \triangleright P(s) may be provided apriori.
- naïve = when used despite statistical dependence

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Collect data,

- $P(\vec{x})$. What is the dimension of \vec{x} ? How many possible images?
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- ightharpoonup Classify $s^* = \operatorname{argmax}_s P(s|\vec{x})$.

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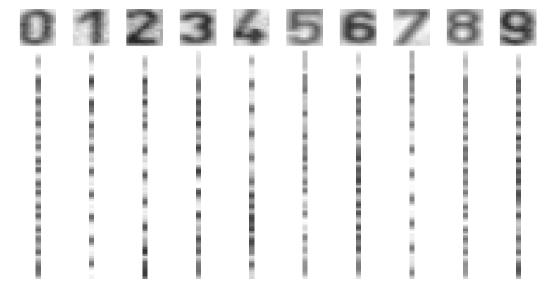


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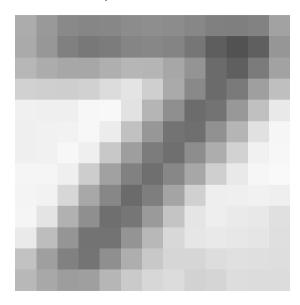
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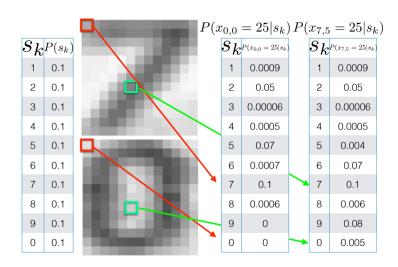


Conditional probabilities, likelihoods



- ▶ Apriori digit probabilities $P(s_k)$
- ▶ Likelihoods for pixels. $P(x_{r,c} = I_i | s_k)$

Conditional likelihoods



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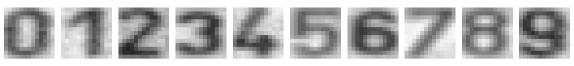


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$$P(x_{0,0} = 101 \mid s_j) = 0$$
, for all classes

Laplace smoothing ("additive smoothing")

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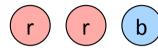
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Observation:



What is $P_{LAP}(X = red)$ and $P_{LAP}(X = blue)$?

A:
$$P_{LAP}(X = red) = 7/10$$
, $P_{LAP}(X = blue) = 3/10$

B:
$$P_{LAP}(X = red) = 2/3$$
, $P_{LAP}(X = blue) = 1/3$

C:
$$P_{LAP}(X = red) = 3/5$$
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D: None of the above.

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- B: 2
- C: 25
 - D: None of the above

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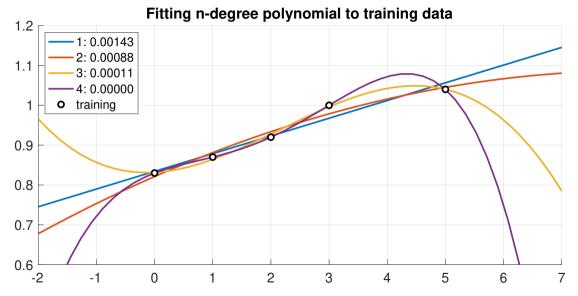
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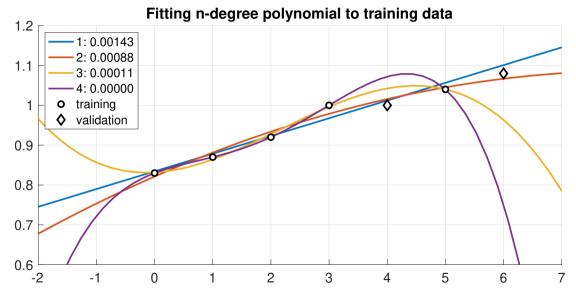
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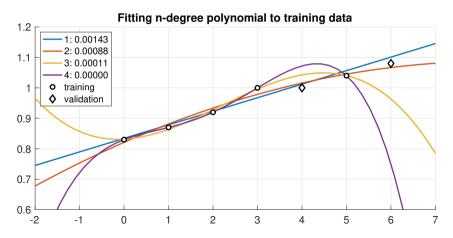


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Generalization and overfiting

- ▶ Data: training, validating, testing . Wanted classifier performs well on what data?
- Overfitting: too close to training, poor on testing.



Training and testing

- Data labeled instances.
- ► Training set
- ► Held-out (validation) set
- ► Testing set.

Features: Attribute-value pairs.

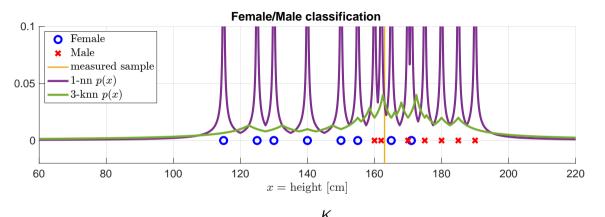
Learning cycle:

- Learn parameters (e.g. probabilities) on training set.
- ► Tune hyperparameters on held-out (validation) set.
- Evaluate performance on testing set.

Nearest Neighbour classifier

- 1. Query *x*
- 2. Select N nearest neighbours of x from the training set. N is odd.
- 3. Pick up the class the majority of neighbours belongs to.

K-NN p(x) estimate



$$p(x) = \frac{K}{NV}$$

 $V = 2r_k(x)$, where $r_k(x)$ is the distance of k-th nearest data point to x

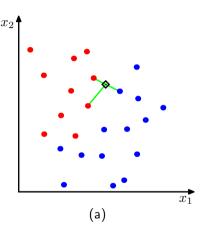
K- Nearest Neighbor and Bayes $j^* = \operatorname{argmax}_j P(s_j | \vec{x})$

Assume data:

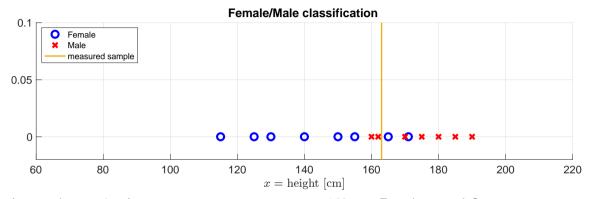
- ightharpoonup N samples \vec{x} in total.
- ▶ N_j samples in s_j class. Hence, $\sum_i N_j = N$.

We want classify to \vec{x} . We draw a circle (hypher-sphere) centered at \vec{x} containing K points irrespective of class. V is the volume of this sphere. $P(s_i|\vec{x}) = ?$

$$P(s_j|\vec{x}) = \frac{P(\vec{x}|s_j)P(s_j)}{P(\vec{x})}$$

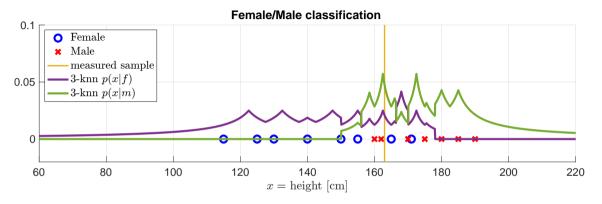


Female/male classification based on height. *N* data points available.



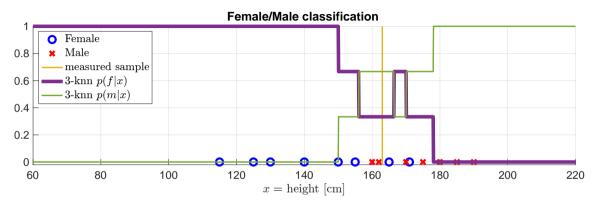
Ignore the y axis. A new measurement comes, $x = 163 \,\mathrm{cm}$. Female or male?

K-NN $p(x|s_i)$ estimates



$$p(x|s_j) = \frac{K_j}{N_i V}$$

K-NN $p(s_i|x)$ posteriors



$$p(s_j|x) = \frac{p(x|s_j)p(s_j)}{p(x)}$$

Volume in k - NN in higher dimensions

Complement slide, for the sake of completeness. The decision rule $P(s_j|x) = N_j/N$ is the same for all dimensions.

$$P(\vec{x}) = \frac{K}{NV}$$
$$V = V_d R_k^d(\vec{x})$$

 $R_k(\vec{x})$ - distance from \vec{x} to its k-th nearest neighbour point (radius)

$$V_d = \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2+1)}$$

volume od unit d—dimensional sphere,

 Γ denotes gamma function.

$$V_1 = 2, V_2 = \pi, V_3 = \frac{4}{3}\pi$$

Evaluation (comparisons) of classifiers

Precision and Recall, and ...

Consider digit detection (is there a digit?) or SPAM/HAM, Male/Female classification

Recall:

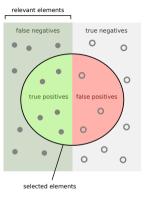
- ► How many relevant items are selected?
- ► Are we missing some items?
- ► Also called: True positive rate (TPR), sensitivity, hit rate . . .

Precision

- How many selected items are relevant?
- ► Also called: Positive predictive value

False positive rate (FPR)

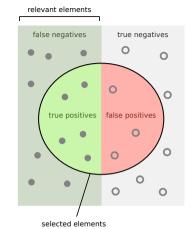
Probability of false alarm





Studying a classifier . . . number of samples classified as ...

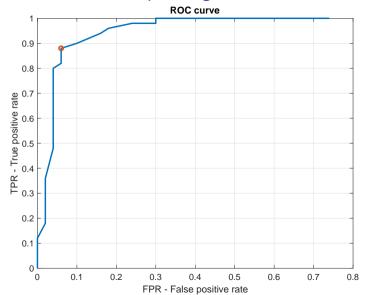
some parameter of a classifier



How many data samples x_i ? A 50

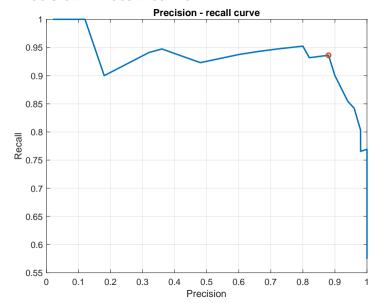
C 150

ROC - Receiver operating characteristics curve



$$TPR = \frac{TP}{P} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$
$$FPR = \frac{FP}{N} = \frac{FP}{FP + TN}$$

Precision – recall curve



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Precision} &= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FP}} \\ \text{Recall} &= \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}} \end{aligned}$$

How to evaluate a multi-class classifier? Confusion table

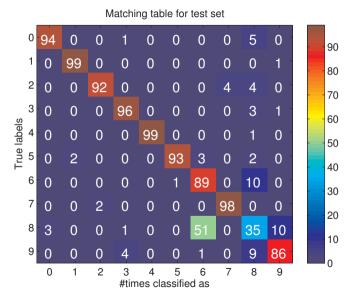


Figure from [6]

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Further reading: Chapter 13 and 14 of [5]. Books [1] and [3] are classical textbooks in the field of pattern recognition and machine learning. This lecture has been also inspired by the 21st lecture of CS 188 at http://ai.berkeley.edu (e.g., Laplace smoothing). Many Matlab figures created with the help of [4].

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