

# Homework Five, due Thu 3/9

CSE 250B

- Hand in your homework in hard copy.
- Present your results clearly and succinctly using tables and graphs as appropriate. Discuss your results in precise and lucid prose. Content is king, but looks matter too!
- Please turn in code *only* for the functions specifically mentioned in the exercise (plus any helper functions which they call). The code for these functions should be emailed to <seano@cs.ucsd.edu>. Please include CSE 250B HW 3 in the subject line of your email.

1. **Generative models example.** Your two-dimensional data set consists of two classes which are present in equal proportion and have the following first- and second-order statistics.

- Class 1: mean  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$ , covariance  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- Class 2: mean  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ , covariance  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- (a) Suppose you fit a Gaussian to each class. Sketch a couple of contour lines for each cluster.
- (b) Derive the formula for the Bayes-optimal decision boundary and plot it.

2. **Cost-sensitive classification with generative models.** You are designing a pregnancy test based on a new set of features. You have a generative model with the following profile:

- Class 0 (not pregnant): density  $P_0(x)$ , mixing weight  $\pi_0$
- Class 1 (pregnant): density  $P_1(x)$ , mixing weight  $\pi_1$

Based on this model, you want to decide whether a person with features  $x$  is pregnant or not. However, in this case the cost of misclassification is not symmetric: here's the cost you incur if you predict wrong.

COST MATRIX	True label	
	0	1
Prediction	0	0 100
	1	10 0

Assuming your model is perfectly correct, how should you predict on  $x$ , to minimize *expected cost*? (Give a prediction rule based on  $P_0(x)$ ,  $P_1(x)$ ,  $\pi_0$ ,  $\pi_1$ .)

3. **Linear regression.** In class we have so far been focusing exclusively on *classification* problems, in which the variable  $y$  to be predicted takes on a discrete, finite set of values and there isn't necessarily any ordering between these values. In a *regression* problem,  $y$  is ordered and typically continuous.

Suppose you have a data set  $\{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_m, y_m)\}$  where the  $x_i \in \mathbf{R}^d$  and the  $y_i \in \mathbf{R}$ . You want to find a linear function  $w \in \mathbf{R}^d$  so that  $y_i \approx w \cdot x_i$ . Specifically, you want to pick the  $w$  which minimizes the least-squares cost:

$$L(w) = \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i - w \cdot x_i)^2.$$

- (a) What is the first derivative  $\nabla L$  and Hessian  $H$  at a point  $w$ ?
- (b) Show that  $L(w)$  is convex in  $w$ .
- (c) What is the gradient descent update rule?
- (d) What is the Newton-Raphson update rule?