

BIOMETRICS
CSE190
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Assignment 2
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1. Duda, Hart, Stork 3.35.

Let the sample mean μ_n and the sample covariance matrix C_n for a set of n samples $\mathbf{x}_1 \dots \mathbf{x}_n$ (each of which is d -dimensional) be defined by

$$\mu_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i$$
$$C_n = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (x_i - \mu_n)(x_i - \mu_n)^t$$

We call these the “nonrecursive” formulae.

- (a) What is the computational complexity of calculating μ_n and C_n by these formulae?
- (b) Show that the alternative” recursive techniques based on successive addition of new samples \mathbf{x}_{n+1} can be derived using the recursive relations

$$\mu_{n+1} = \mu_n + \frac{1}{n+1} (\mathbf{x}_{n+1} - \mu_n)$$
$$C_n = \frac{n-1}{n} C_n + \frac{1}{n+1} (x_{n+1} - \mu_n)(x_{n+1} - \mu_n)^t$$

- (c) What is the computational complexity of finding μ_n and C_n by these recursive methods?
- (d) Describe situations where you might prefer to use the recursive method for computing μ_n and C_n , and ones where you might prefer the nonrecursive method?

2. Consider a normal $p(x) = N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and Parzen window function $\phi(x) = N(\mu, 1)$. Show that the Parzen window estimate

$$p_n(x) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \phi\left(\frac{x - x_i}{h_n}\right)$$

has the following property

$$E[p_n(x)] = N(\mu, \sigma^2 + h_n^2)$$

3. Consider the following set of two dimensional vectors from three categories:

ω_1		ω_2		ω_3	
X_1	X_2	X_1	X_2	X_1	X_2
10	0	5	10	2	8
0	-10	0	5	-5	2
5	-2	5	5	10	-4

- (a) Plot the decision boundary resulting from the nearest neighbor rule just for categorizing ω_1 and ω_2 . Find the sample mean \mathbf{m}_1 and \mathbf{m}_2 and on the same figure sketch the decision boundary corresponding to classifying x by assigning it to the category of the nearest sample mean.
- (b) Repeat part (a) for categorizing only ω_1 and ω_3 .
- (c) Repeat part (a) for categorizing only ω_2 and ω_3 .
- (d) Repeat part (a) for three-category classifier, classifying ω_1, ω_2 and ω_3 .