

BIOMETRICS  
CSE190  
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Assignment 2  
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Let the sample mean  $\mu_n$  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  $\mu_n$  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  $\mu_n$  and  $C_n$  by these recursive methods?
- (d) Describe situations where you might prefer to use the recursive method for computing  $\mu_n$  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  $\varphi(x) = N(\mu,1)$ . Show that the Parzen window estimate

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

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:

$\omega_1$		$\omega_2$		$\omega_3$	
$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_1$	$X_2$
10	0	5	10	2	8
0	-10	0	5	-5	2
5	-2	5	5	10	-4

- Plot the decision boundary resulting from the nearest neighbor rule just for categorizing  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ . 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.
- Repeat part (a) for categorizing only  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_3$ .
- Repeat part (a) for categorizing only  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$ .
- Repeat part (a) for three-category classifier, classifying  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$ .