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Statistical Pattern Recognition (CE-725)
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Quiz #5 solutions (Statistical Classification) - Spring 2011

1. **(3 points)** Consider a decision problem using one-dimensional feature vectors. Find the Likelihood Ratio Test for the following two class conditional densities:

$$P(x|w_1) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{2}}, x > 0 \quad P(x|w_2) = \frac{1}{4}xe^{-\frac{x}{2}}, x > 0$$

Hint: You must calculate the $P(x|w_1)/P(x|w_2)$ ratio.

Sol:

$$\frac{P(x|w_1)}{P(x|w_2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x}{2}}}{\frac{1}{4}xe^{-\frac{x}{2}}} = \frac{2}{x}$$

The decision rule is to choose w_1 if $2/x \geq T$, and choose w_2 otherwise. And the decision boundary is $x=2/T$.

2. For the above problem, find the thresholds of likelihood ratio for the following cases:
a. (2 points) Bayesian minimum risk, with $\lambda_{11} = \lambda_{22} = 0$, $\lambda_{12} = 1$, $\lambda_{21} = 2$, $P(w_1) = 2/3$, and $P(w_2) = 1/3$.

Hint: For example, the threshold of likelihood ratio for Class Conditional Method is $T=1$, or the threshold of likelihood ratio for MAP Method is $T=P(w_2)/P(w_1)$.

Sol:

$$T = \frac{(\lambda_{12} - \lambda_{22})P(w_2)}{(\lambda_{21} - \lambda_{11})P(w_1)} = \frac{1}{4}$$

- b. (5 points)** Neyman-Pearson with $P_{FP} = 0.1$.

Sol:

The decision boundary is $2/x = T$, or $x=2/T$, then we have:

$$P_{FA} = 0.1 = \int_{-\infty}^{2/T} \frac{1}{4}xe^{-x/2} dx = \dots \Rightarrow T = \dots$$