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Problem	Points	Score
1(a)	20	
1(b)	20	
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Total	100	

Notes:

- (1) The exam is closed books and notes except for one double-sided sheet of notes.
- (2) Please indicate clearly your answer to the problem.
- (3) If I can't read or follow your solution, it is wrong and no partial credit will be awarded.

Problem No. 1: Let $p(x | \omega_i) \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$ for a two-category one-dimensional problem with

$$P(\omega_1) = P(\omega_2) = 1/2.$$

(a) Show that the minimum probability of error is given by: $P_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}a} \int_0^\infty e^{-u^2/2} du$ where

$$a = \left| \mu_2 - \mu_1 \right| / 2\sigma.$$

(b) Use the inequality $P_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}a} \int_0^\infty e^{-t^2/2} dt \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}a} e^{-a^2/2}$ to show that P_e goes to zero as

$$\left| \mu_2 - \mu_1 \right| / \sigma \text{ goes to infinity.}$$

Problem No. 2: Given a two-class two-dimensional classification problem ($x = \{x_1, x_2\}$) with the following parameters (uniform distributions):

$$p(x | \omega_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -3/4 \leq x_1 \leq 1/4 \\ -3/4 \leq x_2 \leq 1/4 \end{array} \right\} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{bmatrix} \quad p(x | \omega_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq x_1 \leq 1 \\ 0 \leq x_2 \leq 1 \end{array} \right\} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $P(\omega_1) = P(\omega_2) = 1/2$.

(a) Write the Bayes decision rule for this case (hint: draw the decision boundary). Is this solution unique? Explain.

(b) Compute the probability of error.

Problem No. 3: Let x have a uniform density: $p(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} 1/\theta & 0 \leq x \leq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$. Suppose that n samples

$D = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ are drawn independently from $p(x|\theta)$. Derive an expression for the maximum likelihood estimate of θ . Hint: compute the likelihood of the data given θ and differentiate. Discuss what happens to this estimate as $n \rightarrow \infty$.