

## SIGNAL & DATA ANALYSIS IN NEUROSCIENCE 2020 DISCRIMINATION

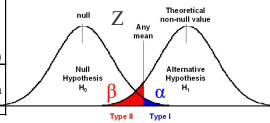
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### Discrimination: basic terms

- Problem: upon receiving 'r' decide upon  $H_0$  or  $H_1$ .
- Decision rule: if  $r \geq Z$  then decide  $H_1$ , otherwise decide  $H_0$ .

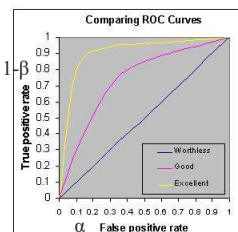
	Actual value	
	P	N
P	* True P * Detection * $1 - \beta(z)$	* False P * False detection / False alarm * Type I error $\alpha(z)$
N	* False negative * Miss detection * Type II error $\beta(z)$	* True N * Correct rejection * $1 - \alpha(z)$



- $\alpha(Z) = P(r \geq Z | H_0)$  false positive.
- $\beta(Z) = P(r < Z | H_1)$  false negative.
- Sensitivity =  $1 - \beta(Z)$ . Sensitivity = 1  $\Rightarrow$  recognize all positives.
- Specificity =  $1 - \alpha(Z)$ . Specificity = 1  $\Rightarrow$  recognize all negatives.
- Power of the test  $1 - \beta$ .

### Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROC) curve

- ROC generation:
  - for every threshold  $z$  extract FP & TP.
- Classification performance:
  - $\int (1 - \beta) d\alpha$ :
    - $\frac{1}{2}$  = worthless
    - 1 = perfect classification



- It may make sense to set  $\alpha$  high to minimize Type II errors (false negatives), even at the expense of additional Type I errors (false positives). Example: radar, new drug test.

### Example: ROC from exam 2007

Given the following probabilities of evoked potential amplitudes:

Neuron rate (spikes/sec)	0	10	20	30	40
Prey	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Predator	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0

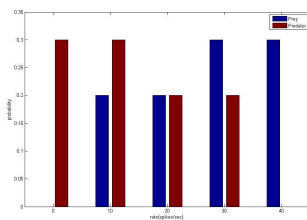
The behavior of the animal may be characterized by:

$$P(TP) = \sqrt{P(FP)}$$

- Plot the ROC curves of the behavior and neuronal discrimination.
- Is the single neuron sufficient to predict the behavior?
- What is p[success] for the two statistics?  
(reminder:  $P(\text{success}) = \int (1-\beta) d\alpha$ )

### Solution

Rate spike/sec	0	10	20	30	40
Predator $H_0$	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0
Prey $H_1$	0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3



$H_0$  – predator,  $H_1$  – prey

### Solution cont.

For each value of Z extract:

X axis:  $FP(Z) = P(\text{rate} \geq Z | H_0)$ .

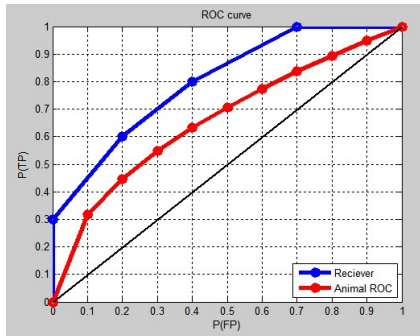
Y axis:  $TP(Z) = 1 - P(\text{rate} < Z | H_1)$

Z	-10	0	10	20	30	40	50
$FP(Z) = P(\text{rate} \geq Z   H_0)$	1	1	0.7	0.4	0.2	0	0
$TP(Z) = 1 - P(\text{rate} < Z   H_1)$ $= P(\text{rate} \geq Z   H_1)$	1	1	1	.8	.6	.3	0

Animal ROC:  $TP = \sqrt{FP}$

FP	0	.1	.2	.3	.4	.5	.6	.7	.8	.9	1.0
TP = $\sqrt{FP}$	0	.3	.45	.55	.65	.70	.80	.85	.90	.95	1

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- Is the single neuron sufficient to predict the behavior?  
Ans: Yes, since the ROC provides performance that is above the behavior ROC, a single neuron is sufficient to predict behavior.

- P(success)

$$\frac{(.3 + .6) \cdot .2}{2} + \frac{(.6 + .8) \cdot .2}{2} + \frac{(.8 + 1) \cdot .3}{2} + \frac{(1 + 1) \cdot .3}{2} = .8$$

- P(success animal)

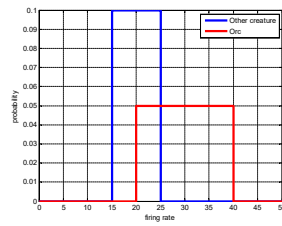
$$\int_0^1 x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot dx = \frac{2}{3} \cdot x^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

### Continuous ROC (exam 2010)

- Bilbo Baggins has a neuron which is part of the Orc sensing system. Upon sensing an Orc the neuron's firing rate is described by a uniform distribution in the range [20-40] while upon sensing any other creature the firing rate is taken from a uniform distribution in the range [15-25].

- Draw the ROC curve of the Orc identification.
- Calculate the classification performance.

## ROC exam 2010 - Solution



- $Z = 10$  :  $p(\text{FP}) = 1$ ,  $p(\text{TP}) = 1$
- $Z = 15$  :  $p(\text{FP}) = 1$ ,  $p(\text{TP}) = 1$
- $Z = 20$  :  $p(\text{FP}) = 0.5$ ,  $p(\text{TP}) = 1$
- $Z = 25$  :  $p(\text{FP}) = 0$ ,  $p(\text{TP}) = 0.75$
- $Z = 40$  :  $p(\text{FP}) = 0$ ,  $p(\text{TP}) = 0$

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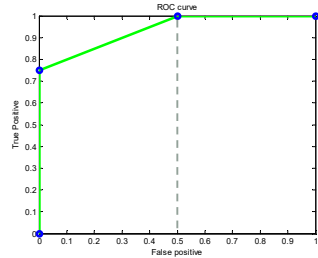
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□ Classification performance :  
 $J_{\text{TP dFP}} = [1 \cdot 0.5 + (0.75 + 1) / 2 \cdot 0.5] = 0.9375$

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