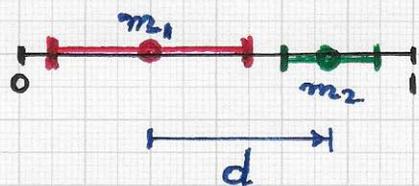


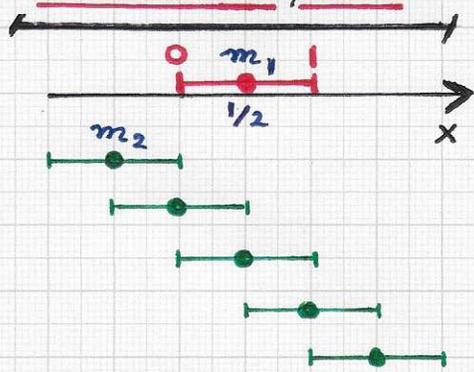
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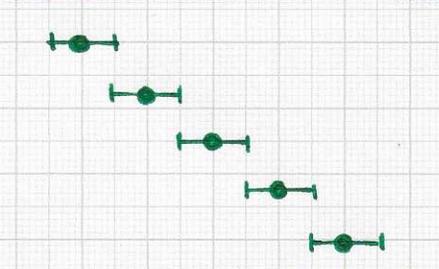
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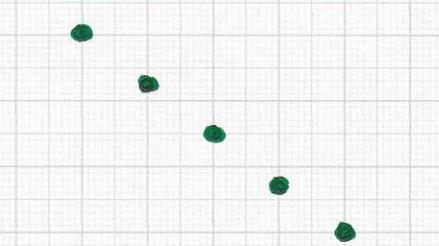
(Signed) distance d based on (oriented) difference of two interval midpoints.



m_2 -values: $-\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}$



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We have motivated the need for a better distance measure for two intervals on the previous page.

We can employ the computationally simple and efficient measure explained via the top-left figure on the previous page; it merely calculates the (signed) distance of interval midpoints (multiplied by the factor 4). We can adapt this measure to our classification setting, see top-left figure. We define the distance d

as $d = m_2 - m_1$. We consider

m_1	m_2	$m_2 - m_1$
$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1
$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{2}$	1

the behavior of this distance for a fixed m_1 -value and a "moving" m_2 -value, shown in the three interval sequences in the left figure.

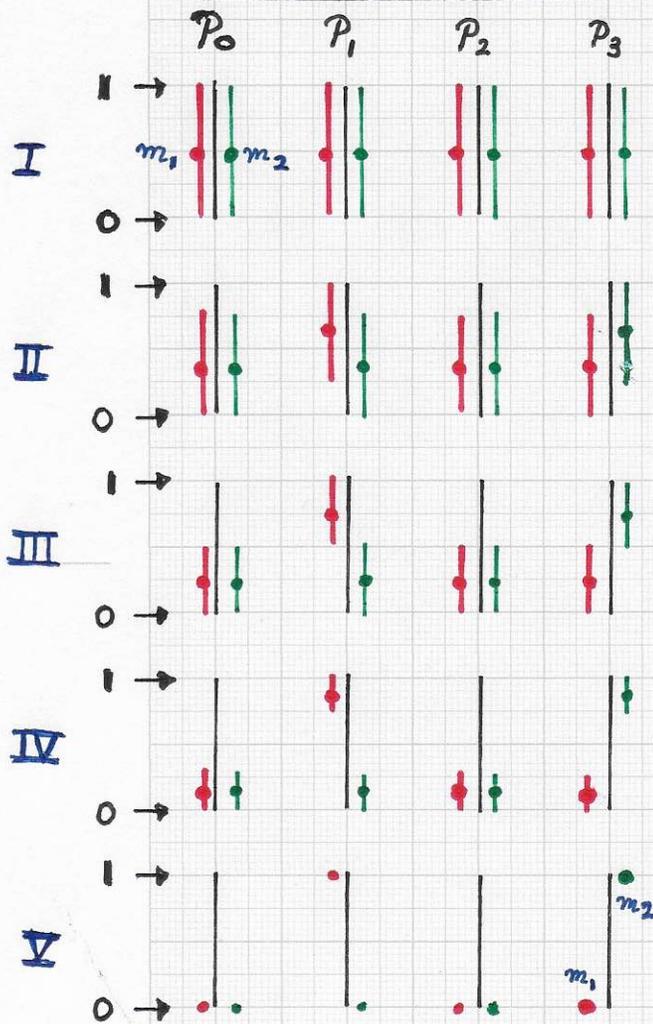
The m_2 -values are the midpoints of intervals of lengths $1, \frac{1}{2}$ and 0 .

The table (above) lists the distance values for the 5 m_2 -midpoints.

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We can now apply this interval distance measure to signature pairs of material classes. We use the signature pair for classes 1 and 3 as an example (for a 3-class classification problem). We consider the sequence of 5 signature pairs, with increasing discriminative behavior, shown in the figure (left). **Note: Case V shows the perfect class-1 and class-3 signatures where all intervals are effectively points, i.e., both signatures are binary signatures.**

	$d(P_0)$	$d(P_1)$	$d(P_2)$	$d(P_3)$	$d_{1,3} = \sum d $
I	0	0	0	0	0
II	0	-1/4	0	1/4	1/2
III	0	-1/2	0	1/2	1
IV	0	-3/4	0	3/4	3/2
V	0	-1	0	1	2

Sequence of 5 signature pairs for classes 1 and 3 and distances.

The goal is to define and calculate appropriate overall distances for the signature pairs. The table (left) lists the distance values $d_{1,3}$ based on the formula

$$d_{c1,c2} = \sum_{cl=0}^c |d(P_{cl})|$$

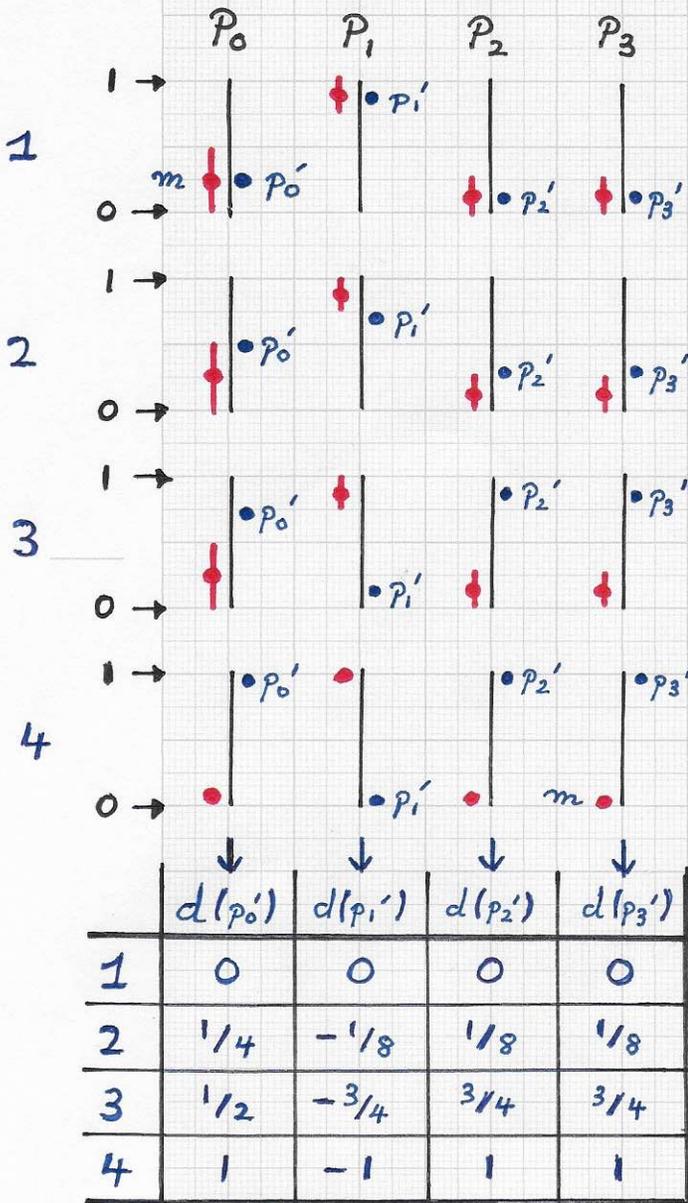
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• Note. "Perfect and ideal separation" in signature space is represented by case V (previous page). In this case, classes 1 and 3 are captured via their binary signatures - where the signatures differ maximally on the P_1 - and P_3 -axis: the specific interval distances on the P_1 - and P_3 -axis are -1 and $+1$, respectively (while interval distances are 0 on all other P_{cl} -axes). Thus, the value $2 = \sum_{cl=0}^3 |d(P_{cl})|$ is "ideally normalized" for this 3-class classification problem.



Top: The individual p_{cl}' -values of tuple (p_0', p_1', p_2', p_3') are shown next to the mid-points m of the signature intervals of material classl. Bottom: Table listing the p_{cl}' -distance values using the distance measure for intervals.

The left figure and associated table show an example where the interval distance measure has been adopted to compute the dist(p_{cl}')-values of a tuple (p_0', p_1', p_2', p_3') . By adding the $|d(p_{cl}')|$ -values in each row of the table one obtains the D_{cl} -values 0 (1), 5/8 (2), 1 (3) and 4 (4).

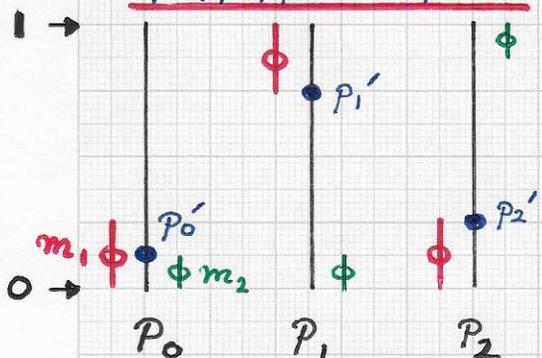
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Simple example of a 2-class classification problem:

$(p_0', p_1', p_2') = (1/8, 3/4, 1/4)$



- The intervals on the P_{ci} -axes are indicated by the red (left) and green (right) line segments shown next to the three P_{ci} -axes. The interval midpoints are shown as circles. The values of the tuple (p_0', p_1', p_2') are shown as solid bullets on the central P_{ci} -axes.

- Signature distance:

$d_{1,2} = |1/16 - 1/8| + |1/16 - 7/8| + |15/16 - 1/8| = 27/16$

- Tuple distance:

$D_1 = |1/8 - 1/8| + |3/4 - 7/8| + |1/4 - 1/8| = 1/4$

$D_2 = |1/8 - 1/16| + |3/4 - 1/16| + |1/4 - 15/16| = 23/16$

⇒ Class-1 tuple

• Note. Case 4 (previous page) shows a "dual binary pair": The perfect binary signature for material class 1 is the tuple $(0, 1, 0, 0)$.

Thus, the dual (and unclassified) tuple $(1, 0, 1, 1) = (p_0', p_1', p_2', p_3')$ has maximal distance. The D_{cl} -value 4, as calculated on the previous page, is a proper value, as it represents 4 times the maximal absolute distance per P_{ci} -axis, $cl = 0...3$. Thus, we can consider the following definition as another option for D_{cl} :

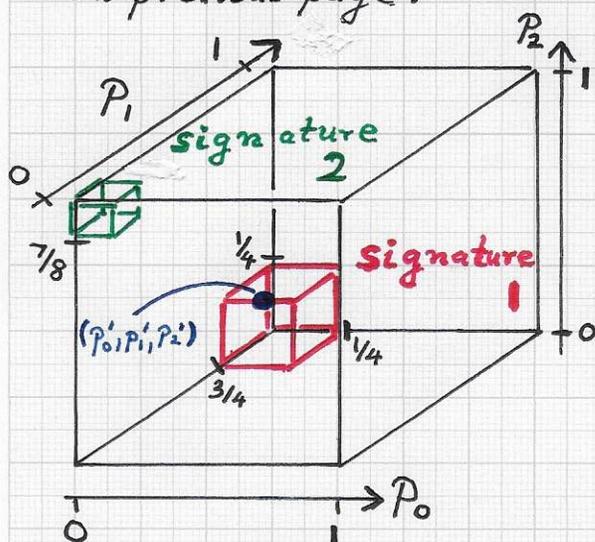
$D_{cl} = w_{cl} \cdot |dist(p_{ci}')| + \sum_{\substack{class=C \\ class \neq cl}} |dist(p_{class}')|$

Here, w_{cl} represents a weight for class cl ; the "dist" measure in this case uses distance values between a p_{ci}' -value and a signature interval.

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Geometrical interpretation of signatures 1 and 2 from figure on previous page:



The two cuboids represent the signatures when a Cartesian product of the intervals on the P_i -axes is considered.

The signature-1 cuboid is in the corner $(0, 1, 0)$, and signature-2 cuboid is in the corner $(0, 0, 1)$. Generally, this "placement" of the signature cuboids makes possible a high-quality classification due to the clear separation of the cuboids in the embedding cube $[0, 1]^{C+1}$, which is the cube $[0, 1]^3$ in this example.

It is important to note that the class signatures fully consider all scales.

• The distance value $d_{1,2} = 27/16$ is close to 2 and thus indicates that the two signatures are "well separated" for these two material classes.

• The tuple distance $D_1 = 1/4$ is substantially smaller than $D_2 = 23/16$; further, $1/4$ is a small value per se. Thus, one can classify the given tuple as a class-1 tuple.

The figure (left) provides us with a geometrical view of class signatures. When adopting a Cartesian product view of the intervals on the P_i -axes of the class signatures, the resulting Cartesian products define sub-cuboids in the embedding cube $[0, 1]^{C+1}$.

Class 1 should define a sub-cuboid in the "corner" $(0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$, ..., and Class C in the "corner" $(0, 0, \dots, 0, 1)$.