## Mathematical techniques in data science

Lecture 7: Classification - Logistic regression and LDA

March 1st, 2019

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- Logistic regression
- Linear Discriminant Analysis
- Nearest neighbours
- Support Vector Machines
- Next Friday (03/08): Homework 1 due
- Groups (for class projects) need to be formed by the end of next week

## Class project: example



### Dataset: 25,000 images of dogs and cats Similar: Malaria cell images dataset, Sign language dataset

#### Class project: example



#### Dataset: 285,000 credit card transactions Similar: heart disease dataset

#### Linear discriminant analysis

# Linear discriminant analysis

#### Suppose

Then

$$P(Y = i | X = x) = \frac{P(X = x | Y = i)P(Y = i)}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} P(X = x | Y = j)P(Y = j)}$$
$$= \frac{f_i(x)\pi_i}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} f_j(x)\pi_j}$$

# Model P(X = x | Y = i) using Gaussian distributions

The natural model for  $f_i(x)$  is the multivariate Gaussian distribution

$$f_i(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^p \det(\Sigma_i)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu_i)^T \Sigma_i^{-1}(x-\mu_i)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

- μ: mean vector
- Σ: covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = E[(X - \mu)^T (X - \mu)]$$

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• Linear discriminant analysis (LDA): We assume

$$\Sigma_1=\Sigma_2=\ldots=\Sigma_K$$

• Quadratic discriminant analysis (QDA): general cases

#### Parameter estimation: LDA

Suppose we have dataset  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  where  $n_i$  observations have label *i*.

• An estimate of the class probabilities  $\pi_i$ 

$$\hat{\pi}_i = \frac{n_i}{n}$$

• Estimate the mean vectors

$$\hat{\mu}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{y_j = i} x_j$$

• Estimate the covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ 

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{N-K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} \sum_{y_j=i} (x_j - \hat{\mu}_i) (x_j - \hat{\mu}_i)^T$$

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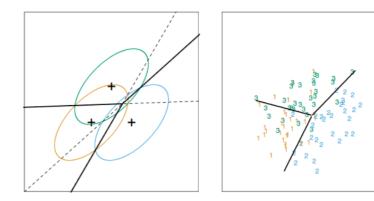
A new instance x arrives, how to predict label of x?

• Compute  $\hat{\pi}_i$ ,  $\hat{\mu}_i$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}$ 

• Compute

$$P(Y = i | X = x) \approx p_k(x) = \frac{f_i(x, \hat{\mu}_i, \hat{\Sigma}) \hat{\pi}_i}{\sum_{j=1}^K f_j(x, \hat{\mu}_j, \hat{\Sigma}) \hat{\pi}_j}$$

• Bayes classifier: assign an observation to the class for which the posterior probability  $p_k(x)$  is greatest.



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#### LDA: linearity of the decision boundary

Note that

$$p_i(x) = \frac{f_i(x, \hat{\mu}_i, \hat{\Sigma})\hat{\pi}_i}{\sum_{j=1}^K f_j(x, \hat{\mu}_j, \hat{\Sigma})\hat{\pi}_j}$$

and

$$f_i(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^p \operatorname{det}(\hat{\Sigma})}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\hat{\mu}_i)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\hat{\mu}_i)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Thus

$$\log \frac{p_{i}(x)}{p_{k}(x)} = \log \frac{\hat{\pi}_{i}}{\hat{\pi}_{k}} - \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\mu}_{i} + \hat{\mu}_{k})^{T} \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} (\hat{\mu}_{i} - \hat{\mu}_{k}) + x^{T} \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} (\hat{\mu}_{i} - \hat{\mu}_{k})$$
$$= \beta_{0} + x^{T} \beta$$

Recall that for logistic regression

$$\log \frac{P[Y = 1 | X = x]}{P[Y = 0 | X = x]} = \beta_0 + x^T \beta$$

- Both methods use linear decision boundary
- Both are simple, and often perform very well. However
- The probability models are different
- The estimations are different

- Estimating covariance matrices when  $n \ll p$  is challenging
- The sample covariance  $\hat{\Sigma}$  is singular when  $n \ll p$
- Need regularization

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## Nearest neigbours

- Suppose  $Y = \{0, 1\}$
- Parameter: k
- Use closest observations in the training set to make predictions

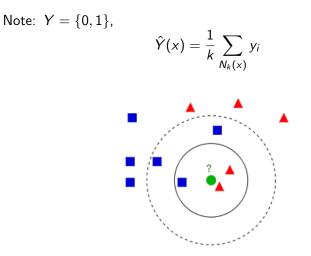
$$\hat{Y}(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{N_k(x)} y_i$$

Here  $N_k(x)$  denotes the k-nearest neighbors of x (w.r.t. some metric, e.g. Euclidean distance)

• Decision:

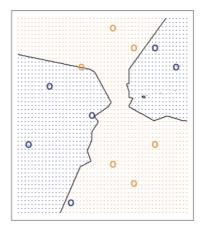
$$label(x) = egin{cases} 0 & ext{if } \hat{Y}(x) < 0.5 \ 1 & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Nearest neighbors



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## Nearest neighbors

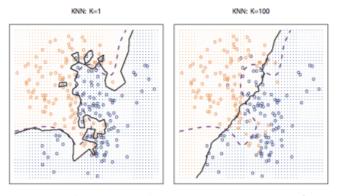


Decision boundary, k = 3

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### Nearest neighbors



**FIGURE 2.16.** A comparison of the KNN decision boundaries (solid black curves) obtained using K = 1 and K = 100 on the data from Figure 2.13. With K = 1, the decision boundary is overly flexible, while with K = 100 it is not sufficiently flexible. The Bayes decision boundary is shown as a purple dashed line.

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