

Advanced Data Analysis

Homework Week 4

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Given the least squares classification objective as,

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \min_{\theta} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_{\theta}(x_i) - y_i)^2$$

with mean zero inputs,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0 \tag{1}$$

and linear input model,

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \theta^T x$$

Given the solution to the least squares objective as,

$$(X^T X) \hat{\theta} = X^T y \tag{2}$$

The class means and variance are given as,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{-} &= \frac{1}{n_{-}} \sum_{i:y_i=-1} x_i \\ \mu_{+} &= \frac{1}{n_{+}} \sum_{i:y_i=1} x_i \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{-} &= \frac{1}{n_{-}} \sum_{i:y_i=-1} (x_i - \mu_{-})(x_i - \mu_{-})^T \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{+} &= \frac{1}{n_{+}} \sum_{i:y_i=1} (x_i - \mu_{+})(x_i - \mu_{+})^T \\ \hat{\Sigma} &= \frac{1}{n} \left(n_{+} \hat{\Sigma}_{+} + n_{-} \hat{\Sigma}_{-} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{\Sigma}$ is the MLE of the common covariance matrix.

Next we try to express Eqn (1) and (2) in terms of the means and covariances.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{x_i} &= 0 \\ \frac{1}{n}(n_- \mu_- + n_+ \mu_+) &= 0 \\ \mu_- &= -\frac{n_+ \mu_+}{n_-}\end{aligned}$$

Let the y labels be $\{\frac{-1}{n_-}, \frac{1}{n_+}\}$, then for RHS of (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}X^T y &= -\frac{1}{n_-} \sum_{i:y_i=-1} x_i + \frac{1}{n_+} \sum_{i:y_i=1} x_i \\ &= \mu_+ - \mu_- \\ &= \mu_+ \frac{n}{n_-}\end{aligned}$$

For LHS of (2) we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\Sigma} &= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i:y_i=-1} (x_i - \mu_-)(x_i - \mu_-)^T + \sum_{i:y_i=1} (x_i - \mu_+)(x_i - \mu_+)^T \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i:y_i=-1} (x_i x_i^T - x_i \mu_-^T - \mu_- x_i^T + \mu_- \mu_-^T) + \sum_{i:y_i=1} (x_i x_i^T - x_i \mu_+^T - \mu_+ x_i^T + \mu_+ \mu_+^T) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left(X^T X + -n_- \mu_-^T \mu_- - n_+ \mu_+^T \mu_+ \right) \\ X^T X &= n \hat{\Sigma} + n_- \mu_-^T \mu_- + n_+ \mu_+^T \mu_+ \\ X^T X &= n \hat{\Sigma} + \frac{n^2}{n_-} \mu_+ \mu_+^T + n_+ \mu_+ \mu_+^T\end{aligned}$$

Using the above results in Eqn (2) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\left[n\hat{\Sigma} + \frac{n^2}{n_-}\mu_+\mu_+^T + n_+\mu_+\mu_+^T \right] \hat{\theta} &= \mu_+ \frac{n}{n_-} \\
\left[\hat{\Sigma} + \left(\frac{n}{n_-} + n_+ \right) \mu_+\mu_+^T \right] \hat{\theta} &= \mu_+ \frac{1}{n_-} \\
\hat{\Sigma}\hat{\theta} + \left(\frac{n}{n_-} + n_+ \right) c\mu_+ &= \mu_+ \frac{1}{n_-} \quad \text{using } vv^T\theta = cv \\
\hat{\Sigma} \cdot \hat{\theta} &= \mu_+ \left(\frac{1}{n_-} - c \left(\frac{n}{n_-} + n_+ \right) \right) \\
\hat{\Sigma} \cdot \hat{\theta} &= (\mu_+ - \mu_-) \frac{n_-}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n_-} - c \left(\frac{n}{n_-} + n_+ \right) \right) \\
\hat{\Sigma} \cdot \hat{\theta} &= (\mu_+ - \mu_-) \left(\frac{1}{n} - c \left(1 + \frac{n_+n_-}{n} \right) \right) \\
\hat{\theta} &\propto \hat{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mu_+ - \mu_-)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we get the desired result