#### Introduction

#### Binary classification

• Linear regression

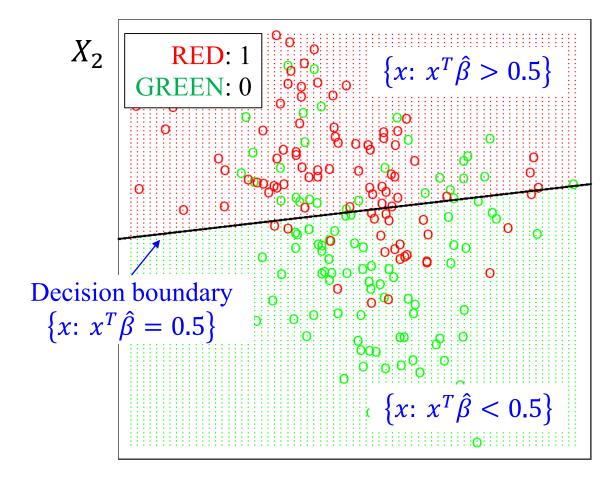
$$f(x) = \beta_0 + x^T \beta$$

• Least squares solution

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$

Decision boundary

$$\begin{cases} x: x^T \hat{\beta} = threshold \\ bullet threshold = 0, \text{ if } y \in \{-1,1\} \\ bullet threshold = 0.5, \text{ if } y \in \{0,1\} \end{cases}$$



#### Introduction

#### Multi-class classification

• Linear regressions for *K* classes

$$f_k(x) = \beta_{k0} + x^T \beta_k, \qquad k = 1, \dots, K$$

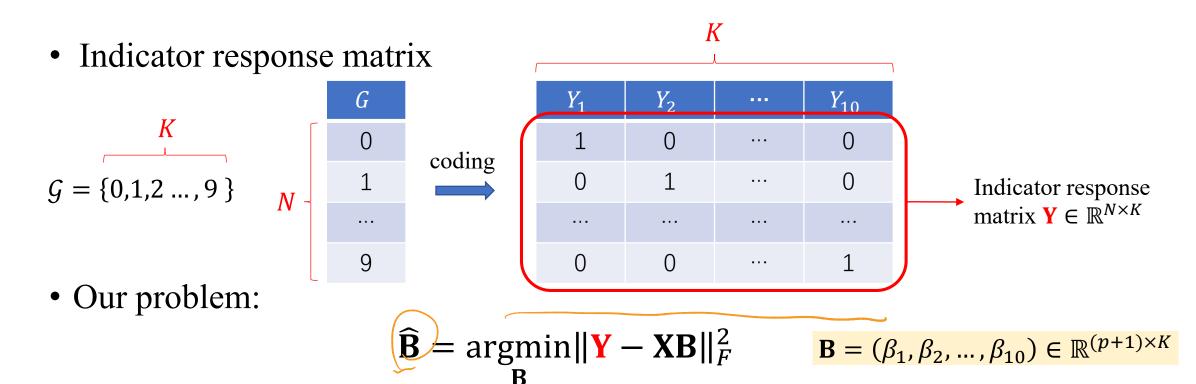
• Decision boundary between classes k and  $\ell$ :

$$\left\{x: \hat{f}_k(x) = \hat{f}_\ell(x)\right\}$$

For *K* classes, there are  $\binom{K}{2} = \frac{K(K-1)}{2}$  decision boundaries

• That is an affine set or hyperplane:

$$\{x: (\hat{\beta}_{k0} - \hat{\beta}_{\ell 0}) + x^T (\hat{\beta}_k - \hat{\beta}_{\ell}) = 0\}$$



• The fitted values on **X**:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X}\widehat{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}$$

A new observation x is classified by

• Compute the fitted output

$$\hat{f}(x) = \hat{\mathbf{B}}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \chi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{f}_1(x) \\ \hat{f}_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ \hat{f}_K(x) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^K$$

$$f_2 \uparrow \hat{f}_1(x) < \hat{f}_2(x) \qquad \hat{f}_1(x) = f_2(x)$$

$$\hat{f}_2(x) \uparrow \hat{f}_2(x) \qquad \hat{f}_2(x) \uparrow$$

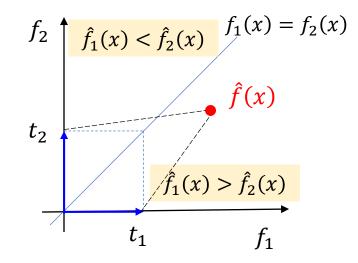
• Classify *x* according to

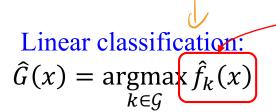
$$\widehat{G}(x) = \operatorname*{argmax}_{k \in \mathcal{G}} \widehat{f}_k(x)$$

• Or equivalently,

$$\hat{G}(x) = \operatorname{argmin}_{k \in \mathcal{G}} \|\hat{f}(x) - t_k\|_2^2$$

where  $t_k = (0, ..., 0, 1, 0, ..., 0)^T \in \mathbb{R}^K$  is a target with 1 being the k-th element





$$\widehat{G}(x) = \underset{k \in \mathcal{G}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \Pr(G = k | X = x)$$

Two defining properties of probability

1. 
$$\sum P = 1$$

2. 
$$0 < P < 1$$

Suppose that  $X \leftarrow (1_N, X)$  and

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Y}} = \widehat{f}(\mathbf{X}) = \widehat{\mathbf{X}}\widehat{\mathbf{B}} = (\widehat{f}_1(\mathbf{X}), \dots, \widehat{f}_K(\mathbf{X}))$$

We have the followings

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} \hat{f}_{K}(\mathbf{X}) = \widehat{\mathbf{Y}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{K} \qquad \text{Indicator matrix}$$

$$= \widehat{\mathbf{X}} \widehat{\mathbf{B}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{K} \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$= \widehat{\mathbf{X}} (\widehat{\mathbf{X}}^{T} \widehat{\mathbf{X}})^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{X}}^{T} \widehat{\mathbf{Y}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{K}$$

$$= \widehat{\mathbf{X}} (\widehat{\mathbf{X}}^{T} \widehat{\mathbf{X}})^{-1} \widehat{\mathbf{X}}^{T} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{N}$$

$$= \widehat{\mathbf{H}} \cdot \widehat{\mathbf{1}}_{N}$$

 $\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{1}_N$  is a projection of  $\mathbf{1}_N$  onto the column space of  $\mathbf{X}$ , thus  $\mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{1}_N = \mathbf{1}_N$ 

• It can be verified that 
$$\sum_{k \in \mathcal{G}} \hat{f}_k(x) = 1$$

• However, it is possible that 
$$\hat{f}_k(x) < 0$$
 or  $\hat{f}_k(x) > 1$ 

Linear classification:

$$\widehat{G}(x) = \underset{k \in \mathcal{G}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \widehat{f}_k(x)$$

Minimizing EPE:  

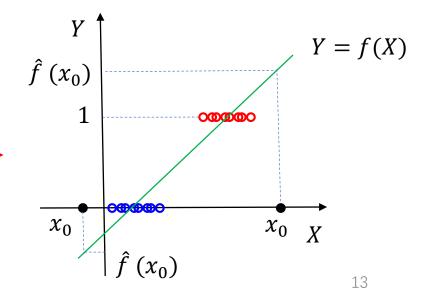
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It possibly suffers from the problem of masking

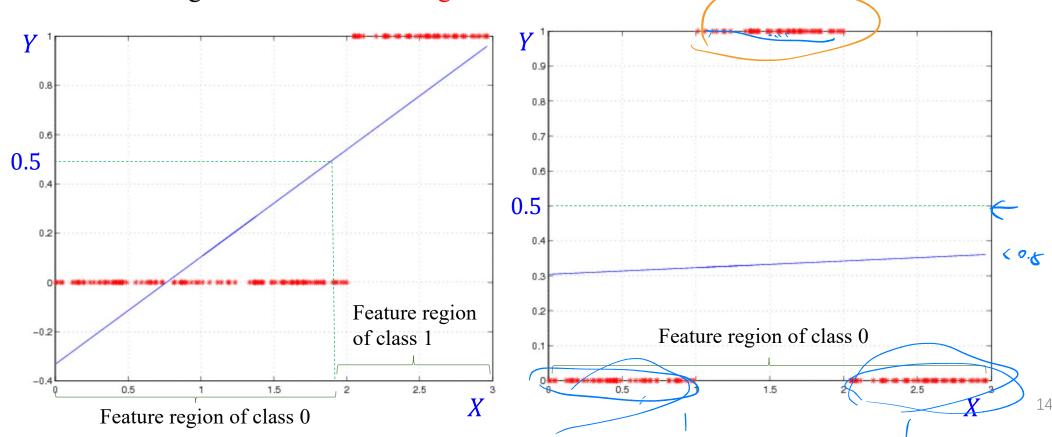
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#### The Phenomenon of Masking

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• The linear regression model is too rigid



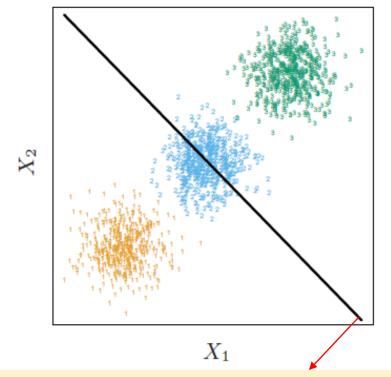
## The Phenomenon of Masking

• 3-class classification

# Linear Regression

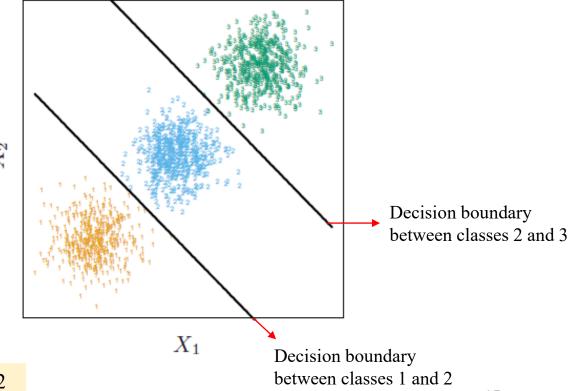
Yellow: class 1 Blue: class 2

Green: class 3



The decision boundaries between 1 and 2 and between 2 and 3 are the same, so we would never predict class 2.

#### Linear Discriminant Analysis ← Ideal result



#### The Phenomenon of Masking

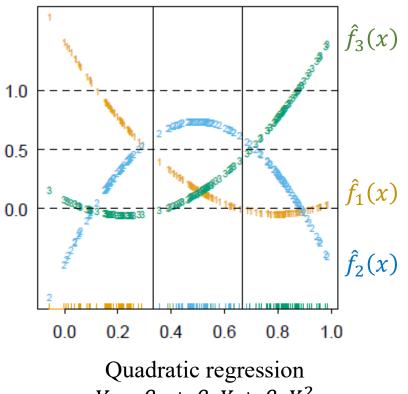
3-class classification  $\mathsf{Degree} = 1; \, \mathsf{Error} = 0.33$ (X1, X2) Yellow: class 1  $\hat{f}_3(x)$ Blue: class 2 Green: class 3 0.5 0.0  $\widehat{\mathbf{B}} = \underset{\mathbf{B}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{B}\|_F^2$ ,  $\hat{f}_1(x)$ where  $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{1}_N, \mathbf{x})$ 1.0 0.0 0.4 0.6 8.0  $\widehat{f}(x) = \widehat{\mathbf{B}}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \chi \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{f}_1(x) \\ \widehat{f}_2(x) \end{pmatrix}$ 

Linear regression

 $Y = \beta_0 + \beta X$ 

The indicator matrix  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Degree = 2; Error = 0.04

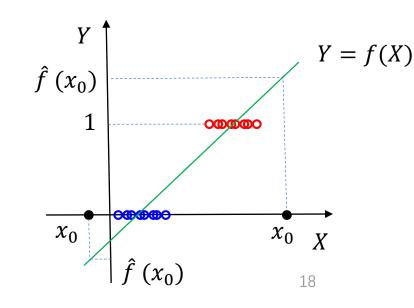


 $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 X^2$ 

• Recall our discussion on linear regression of an indicator matrix

Linear classification: Minimizing EPE: 
$$\widehat{G}(x) = \operatorname*{argmax} \widehat{f}_k(x)$$
 
$$\widehat{G}(x) = \operatorname*{argmax} \Pr(G = k | X = x)$$
 
$$k \in \mathcal{G}$$

- It is inappropriate to represent a posterior directly by a linear function.
- Solution: make some monotone transformation of the posterior be linear in *X*



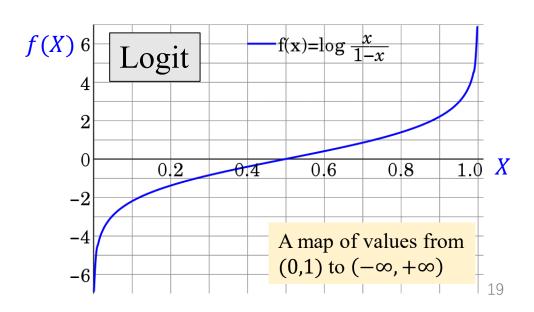
Linear decision boundary

• Logit transform

$$logit(Pr(x)) = log\left(\frac{Pr(x)}{1 - Pr(x)}\right)$$

It maps  $Pr(x) \in (0,1)$  to  $logit(Pr(x)) \in (-\infty, +\infty)$ 

- Decision boundary
  - Odds equals to 1
  - Or, logit equals to 0



Odds (发生比)

• Example: binary (two class) classification

Logit: 
$$\log \frac{\Pr(G=1|X=x)}{1-\Pr(G=1|X=x)} = \log \frac{\Pr(G=1|X=x)}{\Pr(G=2|X=x)} = \beta_0 + x^T \beta$$

• The posterior probability

$$\Pr(G = 1 | X = x) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + x^T \beta)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + x^T \beta)}, \quad \exp(x) = e^x$$

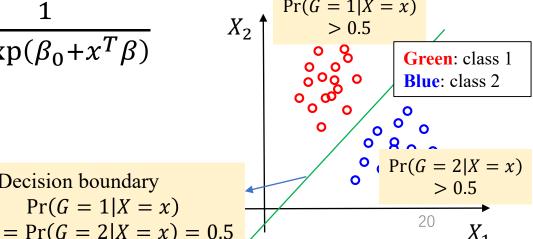
Decision boundary

 $\Pr(G=1|X=x)$ 

$$\Pr(G = 2|X = x) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + x^T \beta)}$$
  $X_2 \uparrow^T$ 

Decision boundary

$$\{x|\beta_0 + x^T\beta = 0\}$$



$$\Pr(G = k | X = x) = \frac{f_k(x)\pi_k}{\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} f_{\ell}(x)\pi_{\ell}}$$

- Assumptions in LDA
  - 1. Model each class density as multivariate Gaussian  $\mathcal{R}(X^2 \times G^2)$

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma_k|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k)\right)$$

- 2. Assume that classes share a common covariance  $\Sigma_k = \Sigma$ ,  $\forall k$
- Compare two classes k and  $\ell$

Logit: 
$$\log \frac{\Pr(G = k | X = x)}{\Pr(G = \ell | X = x)} = \log \frac{f_k(x)}{f_\ell(x)} + \log \frac{\pi_k}{\pi_\ell} \quad \text{onst}$$
$$= \log \frac{\pi_k}{\pi_\ell} - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_k + \mu_\ell)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_k - \mu_\ell) + \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_\ell)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_k - \mu_\ell),$$

Quadratic term vanished due to the common covariance

#### Parameter estimation

 $\hat{\pi}_k = N_k/N$ , where  $N_k$  is the number of class-k observations;

$$\hat{\mu}_k = \sum_{g_i = k} x_i / N_k;$$

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{g_i = k} (x_i - \hat{\mu}_k) (x_i - \hat{\mu}_k)^T / (N - K).$$

Pooled covariance (合并方差)

$$\widehat{\Sigma} = \frac{(N_1 - 1)\widehat{\Sigma}_1 + (N_2 - 1)\widehat{\Sigma}_2 + \dots + (N_K - 1)\widehat{\Sigma}_K}{(N_1 - 1) + (N_2 - 1) + \dots + (N_K - 1)}, \text{ where } \widehat{\Sigma}_k = \frac{\sum_{g_i = k} (x_i - \widehat{\mu}_k)(x_i - \widehat{\mu}_k)^T}{N_k - 1}$$

Weighted average

• Suppose that 
$$\log \frac{\Pr(G=k|X=x)}{\Pr(G=\ell|X=x)} = \delta_k(x) - \delta_\ell(x) = 0$$

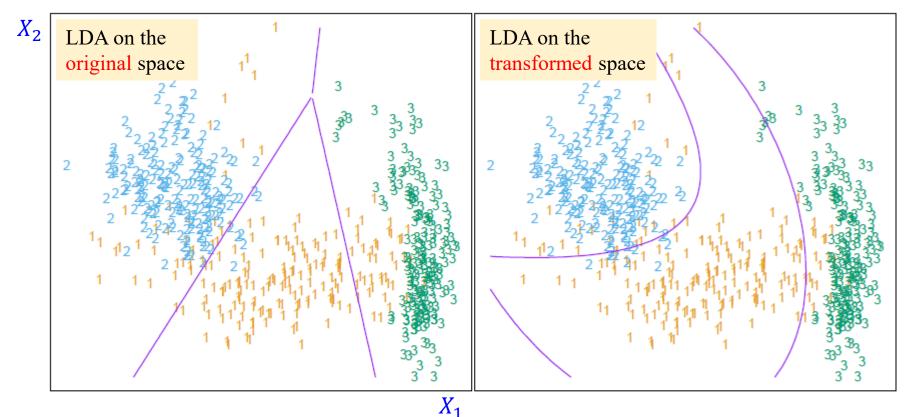
- $\delta_k(x) > \delta_\ell(x)$ , class k
- $\delta_k(x) < \delta_\ell(x)$ , class  $\ell$
- $\delta_k(x) = \delta_\ell(x)$ , decision boundary

Linear discriminant functions

$$\delta_k(x) = x^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k + \log \pi_k$$

Classify to class k that maximizes the discriminant function

$$\widehat{G}(x) = \underset{k \in \mathcal{G}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \, \delta_k(x)$$
 Any difference? Linear classification: 
$$\widehat{G}(x) = \underset{k \in \mathcal{G}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \, \widehat{f}_k(x)$$



**FIGURE 4.1.** The left plot shows some data from three classes, with linear decision boundaries found by linear discriminant analysis. The right plot shows quadratic decision boundaries. These were obtained by finding linear boundaries in the five-dimensional space  $X_1, X_2, X_1X_2, X_1^2, X_2^2$ . Linear inequalities in this space are quadratic inequalities in the original space.

# **Quadratic Discriminant Analysis**

#### Assumptions in LDA

1. Model each class density as multivariate Gaussian

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma_k|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k)\right)$$

- 2. Assume that classes share a common covariance  $\Sigma_k = \Sigma, \forall k$
- Assumption: Each class has a specific covariance  $\Sigma_k$
- Quadratic discriminant functions

$$\delta_k(x) = -\frac{1}{2}\log|\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1}(x - \mu_k) + \log \pi_k.$$

• The quadratic decision boundary between two classes k and  $\ell$ 

$$\{x: \delta_k(x) = \delta_\ell(x)\}\$$

• Difference with LDA

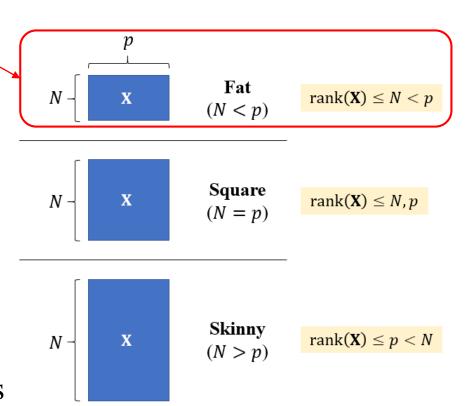
$$\mu_k$$
,  $k = 1, ..., K$ 

- Difference with LDA  $\mu_k, k = 1, ..., K$   $\Sigma_k$  has to be estimated for each class

  LDA need to estimate  $K \times p + p \times p$  parameters  $\Sigma_k, k = 1, ..., K$ QDA need to estimate  $K \times p + p \times p$  parameters

High dimensional problems  $(p \gg N)$ 

- Cannot fit LDA to the data
  - $\Box$  inversion of a  $p \times p$  covariance matrix  $\Sigma$
  - $\square$   $\Sigma$  is singular, due to rank( $\Sigma$ )  $< N \ll p$
- Regularization is necessary
  - No enough data to estimate feature dependencies
  - E.g., independent assumption on features
    - ➤ Diagonal within-class covariance matrix #paras:  $K \times p \times p \rightarrow K \times p$



#### Regularized LDA (RLDA)

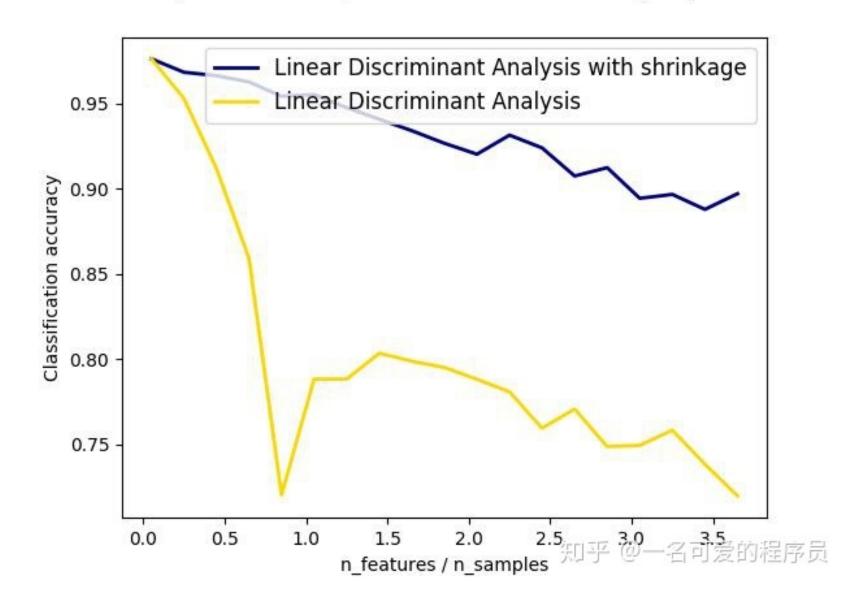
• Shrinks  $\hat{\Sigma}$  towards its diagonal

$$\hat{\Sigma}(\gamma) = \gamma \hat{\Sigma} + (1 - \gamma) \operatorname{diag}(\hat{\Sigma}), \gamma \in [0, 1]$$

where diag( $\hat{\Sigma}$ ) denotes a diagonal matrix sharing the same diagonal elements with  $\hat{\Sigma}$ 

#### Diagonal LDA

• Independent assumption on feature dependencies  $\hat{\Sigma} = \operatorname{diag}(\hat{\Sigma})$ 



A brief summary of generalized LDA ( $\alpha, \gamma \in [0, 1]$ )

	Method	Covariance matrix	Effect
Linear	Regularized LDA (RLDA)	$\widehat{\Sigma}(\gamma) = \underline{\gamma \widehat{\Sigma} + (1 - \gamma) \operatorname{diag}(\widehat{\Sigma})}$	Shrink $\widehat{\Sigma}$ towards diag( $\widehat{\Sigma}$ )
	Diagonal LDA	$\widehat{\Sigma} = \underline{\operatorname{diag}(\widehat{\Sigma})}$	Make features independent
Quadratic	Regularized QDA (RQDA)	$\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_k(\alpha) = \alpha \widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_k + (1 - \alpha) \widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}$	Shrink $\widehat{\Sigma}_k$ towards $\widehat{\Sigma}$ (LDA + QDA)
	Variant of RQDA	$\widehat{\Sigma}_k(\alpha, \gamma) = \underline{\alpha \widehat{\Sigma}_k + (1 - \alpha) \widehat{\Sigma}(\gamma)}$	Shrink $\widehat{\Sigma}_k$ towards $\widehat{\Sigma}(\gamma)$ (RLDA + QDA)

$$\frac{\operatorname{diag}(\hat{\Sigma})}{\hat{\Sigma}(\gamma)} \qquad \hat{\Sigma} \qquad \hat{\Sigma}_k(\alpha) \qquad \hat{\Sigma}_k$$
Diagonal LDA \rightarrow RLDA \rightarrow LDA \rightarrow RQDA \rightarrow QDA

Low bias High variance