

Ex

$$y_i x = \mu_y + z_y$$

class label signal zero-mean noise w/ cov Σ_y

Between-class variance
(Signal power)

$$\sigma^2_{\text{between}}(\vec{w}) = (w^T \mu_1 - w^T \mu_0)^2$$

Within-class var
(Noise power)

$$\sigma^2_{\text{within}}(\vec{w}) = p_0 w^T \Sigma_0 w + p_1 w^T \Sigma_1 w$$

$$= w^T (p_0 \Sigma_0 + p_1 \Sigma_1) w$$

Find \hat{w} (Direction to project data) Maximize SNR

$$w^* = w_{\text{Fisher}} = \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \operatorname{SNR}(\vec{w}).$$

$$= \frac{w^T S_B \vec{w}}{w^T S_W \vec{w}}$$

from class

$$= \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{(w^T (\mu_1 - \mu_0))^2}{w^T (p_0 \Sigma_0 + p_1 \Sigma_1) w} \quad \left(= \frac{\text{Signal}}{\text{Noise}} \right)$$

class separation

Solve for \hat{w}

(normalize by factor
proportional to in-class var)

$$\hat{w}_{\text{Fisher}} = (p_0 \Sigma_0 + p_1 \Sigma_1)^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_0)$$

Decision rule:

$$h_{\text{Fisher}}(\vec{x}) = \mathbb{I} \{ \hat{w}_{\text{Fisher}}^T \vec{x} > \tau \}$$

Bias can be chosen by
cross-validation

This is
like the "bias"
(negative bias)