

Master BeNeFri in Computer Science

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Exercise #10. Classification: LDA, QDA

Download from the ILIAS website the dataset `WineData` dataset (filename: `WineData.txt`). You have total 178 observations and 13 predictors to predict variable `type` which can assume three values for three types of wine (1, 2, 3). Other information is given in the file `WineDataDescription.pdf`.

(Example of how to perform LDA and QDA with R in the file `doLDAQDA.txt`.)

1. Use LDA to predict variable `type`.
2. Use QDA to predict variable `type`.
3. Compare the predictions you obtained with LDA and QDA. Use a fair methodology to compare the classifiers (and explain your choice).

Is LDA really better than QDA? Can we apply a statistical test to verify this conclusion?