

## Logistic regression

This method focuses on  $k=2$  assuming that **log odds** of class 1 vs. class 0 is linear in  $x$ :

$$\log \frac{P(Z=1 | X=x)}{P(Z=2 | X=x)} = \beta_0 + \beta_1^T x \text{ with } \beta_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \beta_1 \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

- Note that LDA also has log odds linear in  $x$  with  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$  depend on  $\hat{\mu}_1, \hat{\mu}_2, \hat{\Sigma}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \log \frac{P(Z=1 | X=x)}{P(Z=2 | X=x)} &= \log \frac{\pi_1 \cdot f(x; \mu_1, \Sigma)}{\pi_2 \cdot f(x; \mu_2, \Sigma)} \\ &= \log \frac{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu_1)}}{\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma|^{1/2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu_2)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu_2)}} + \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2} = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu_1)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu_1) + \frac{1}{2}(x-\mu_2)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu_2) + \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2} = \\ &= (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^T \Sigma^{-1} x - \mu_1^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_1 + \mu_2^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_2 + \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2} \end{aligned}$$

To simplify the derivations we will relabel class 2 into 0, i.e.  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}$ , and include the intercept in features, i.e.  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p) \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$  and  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (p+1)}$

**Logistic regression** directly estimates  $\beta$ .

- $P(Z=1|X=x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\beta^T x}}$

Denote by  $\pi(x) = P(Z=1|X=x) \Rightarrow 1-\pi(x) = P(Z=0|X=x)$

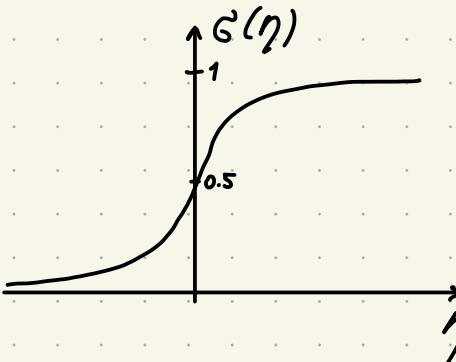
$$\log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)}\right) = \beta^T x \Rightarrow \frac{1-\pi(x)}{\pi(x)} = \frac{1}{\pi(x)} - 1 = e^{-\beta^T x} \Rightarrow$$

$$\pi(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\beta^T x}}$$

$$P(Z=1|X=x) = \sigma(\beta^T x) \text{ where } \sigma(\eta) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\eta}} = \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta}$$

This function is called **sigmoid** function.

Properties:  $\sigma(\eta) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\eta}}$



- $\sigma(\eta) \geq 0.5$  for  $\eta \geq 0.5$

- $\sigma(\eta) \leq 0.5$  for  $\eta \leq 0.5$

$P(Z=1 | X=x) \geq 0.5$  if  $\beta_0 + \beta^T x \geq 0$

$P(Z=2 | X=x) \leq 0.5$  if  $\beta_0 + \beta^T x \leq 0$

Decision boundary  $\beta_0 + \beta^T x = 0$ .

- $\sigma'(\eta) = \sigma(\eta)(1-\sigma(\eta))$

$$|\sigma'(\eta) = \frac{e^{-\eta}}{(1+e^{-\eta})^2} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\eta}} \cdot \frac{e^{-\eta}}{1+e^{-\eta}} = \sigma(\eta) \cdot (1-\sigma(\eta))$$

- $(\log \sigma(\eta))' = 1 - \sigma(\eta)$ ,  $(\log(1-\sigma(\eta)))' = -\sigma(\eta)$

$$|\quad (\log \sigma(\eta))' = \frac{\sigma'(\eta)}{\sigma(\eta)} = \frac{\underline{\sigma(\eta)(1-\sigma(\eta))}}{\underline{\sigma(\eta)}}$$

Logistic regression finds  $\beta$  by maximizing log-likelihood:

$$e(x, y; \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(z=y_i | X=x_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} e(x, y; \beta) &= \sum_{i:y_i=1} \log \sigma(\beta^T x_i) + \sum_{i:y_i=0} \log (1 - \sigma(\beta^T x_i)) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \sigma(\beta^T x_i) + (1-y_i) \log (1 - \sigma(\beta^T x_i)) \end{aligned}$$

Maximizing log-likelihood has no explicit solution.  
We need to apply one of the optimization algorithms.

## Detour: Newton's method

Given a function  $f: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , solve

minimize  $\underset{x}{f(x)}$

Let  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_p \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\nabla f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_p} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^p$  be the gradient

Let  $\nabla^2 f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_p \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_2 \partial x_p} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_p^2} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$  be the Hessian.

Gradient descent update:  $x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} - \nabla f(x^{(t)})$

Newton's method update:  $x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} - (\nabla^2 f(x^{(t)}))^{-1} \nabla f(x^{(t)})$

## Motivation for Newton's update:

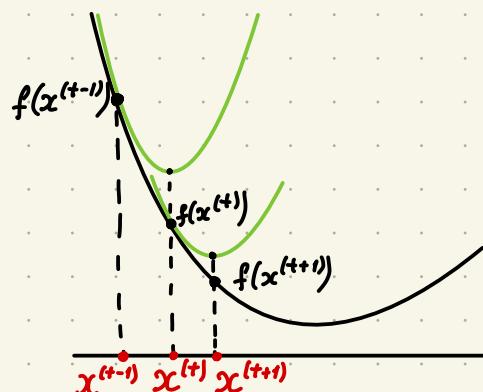
- Let's take the second order approximation of  $f(x)$  at point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^P$

$$f(y) \approx f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y-x) + \frac{1}{2} (y-x)^T \nabla^2 f(x) (y-x)$$

- value  $y$  that minimizes the approximation corresponds to Newton's update.

$$\nabla_y f(y) \approx \nabla f(x) + \nabla^2 f(x) (y-x) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = x - (\nabla^2 f(x))^{-1} \nabla f(x)$$



## Iteratively reweighted least squares

$$e(x, y; \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log G(\beta^T x_i) + (1-y_i) \log(1 - G(\beta^T x_i))$$

$$\bullet \nabla_{\beta} e(x, y; \beta) = X^T(y - \pi) \quad \text{where} \quad \pi = \begin{pmatrix} P(z=1 | x=x_1) \\ \vdots \\ P(z=1 | x=x_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

Denote by  $\pi_i = P(z=1 | x=x_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\beta} &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (1 - G(\beta^T x_i)) \cdot x_i - (1-y_i) G(\beta^T x_i) x_i = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_i - G(\beta^T x_i) x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - G(\beta^T x_i)) x_i = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \pi_i) x_i = X^T(y - \pi) \end{aligned}$$

- $\nabla_{\beta} \ell(x, y; \beta) = -X^T W X$  where  $W = \text{diag}(\pi * (1-\pi))$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{\beta}^2 &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma(\beta^T x_i) (1 - \sigma(\beta^T x_i)) x_i x_i^T = \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i (1 - \pi_i) x_i x_i^T = -X^T W X\end{aligned}$$

- At iteration  $t$ , we obtain  $\beta^{(t)}, \pi^{(t)}$  and  $W^{(t)}$  then Newton's update implies

$$\beta^{(t+1)} = (X^T W^{(t)} X)^{-1} X^T W^{(t)} z^{(t)} \text{ for some } z^{(t)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^{(t+1)} &= \beta^{(t)} + (X^T W^{(t)} X)^{-1} X^T (y - \pi^{(t)}) = \\ &= (X^T W^{(t)} X)^{-1} X^T (W^{(t)} X \beta^{(t)} + y - \pi^{(t)}) = \\ &= (X^T W^{(t)} X)^{-1} X^T W^{(t)} \underbrace{(X \beta^{(t)} + (W^{(t)})^{-1} (y - \pi^{(t)}))}_{z^{(t)}} = \\ &= (X^T W^{(t)} X)^{-1} X^T W^{(t)} z^{(t)}\end{aligned}$$

This is regression  $z^{(t)} \sim X$  with weights  $w^{(t)}$ .

## Logistic regression via IRLS:

Input:  $X, y$ , initialization  $\beta^{(0)}$

At iteration  $t = 1, 2, \dots$

Step 1 Compute  $Z^{(t)} = X\beta^{(t)} + (W^{(t)})^{-1}(y - \pi^{(t)})$   
 $W^{(t)} = \text{diag}(\pi^{(t)} \times (1 - \pi^{(t)}))$

where  $\pi^{(t)} \approx \begin{pmatrix} P(z=1 | x=x_1) \\ \vdots \\ P(z=1 | x=x_n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g(\beta^{(t)T} x_1) \\ \vdots \\ g(\beta^{(t)T} x_n) \end{pmatrix}$

Step 2 Solve weighted regression problem

with response  $Z^{(t)}$ , features  $X$  and weights  $W^{(t)}$ .

Output: coefficient vector  $\beta$ .

## Extensions of logistic regression

① Multiple classes  $K > 2$

$$P(Z=k | X=x) = \frac{e^{\beta_{0k} + \beta_{ik}^T x}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{\beta_{0j} + \beta_{ij}^T x}} \quad \text{for } k=1\dots K$$

Softmax:  $(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_K) \rightarrow \left( \frac{e^{\eta_1}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{\eta_j}}, \dots, \frac{e^{\eta_K}}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^{\eta_j}} \right)$

Fit  $\{\beta_{0k}, \beta_{ik}\}_{k=1}^{K-1}$  by MLE.

Decision rule  $h(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1\dots K} P(Z=k | X=x)$

- Log-odd are linear functions in  $x$

$$\log \frac{P(Z=k | X=x)}{P(Z=K | X=x)} = \log \left( \frac{e^{\beta_{0k} + \beta_{ik}^T x}}{e^{\beta_{0K} + \beta_{iK}^T x}} \right)$$

$$= \underbrace{(\tilde{\beta}_{0k} - \tilde{\beta}_{0K})}_{\tilde{\beta}_{0k}} + \underbrace{(\tilde{\beta}_{ik} - \tilde{\beta}_{iK})^T x}_{\tilde{\beta}_{ik}} = \tilde{\beta}_{0k} + \tilde{\beta}_{ik} x$$

② In high dimensions ( $p > n$ ) add regularization:

$$\text{minimize } -e(x, y; \beta) + \lambda \text{Pen}(\beta)$$

Example: penalties

$$\text{Pen}(\beta) = \|\beta\|_2^2 \quad \text{"ridge"}$$

$$\text{Pen}(\beta) = \|\beta\|_1 \quad \text{"lasso"}$$

$$\text{Pen}(\beta) = (1-\alpha) \frac{\|\beta\|_2^2}{2} + \alpha \|\beta\|_1 \quad \text{"elastic net"}$$

## K-nearest neighbors (KNN)

This is a distribution-free and memory-based method.

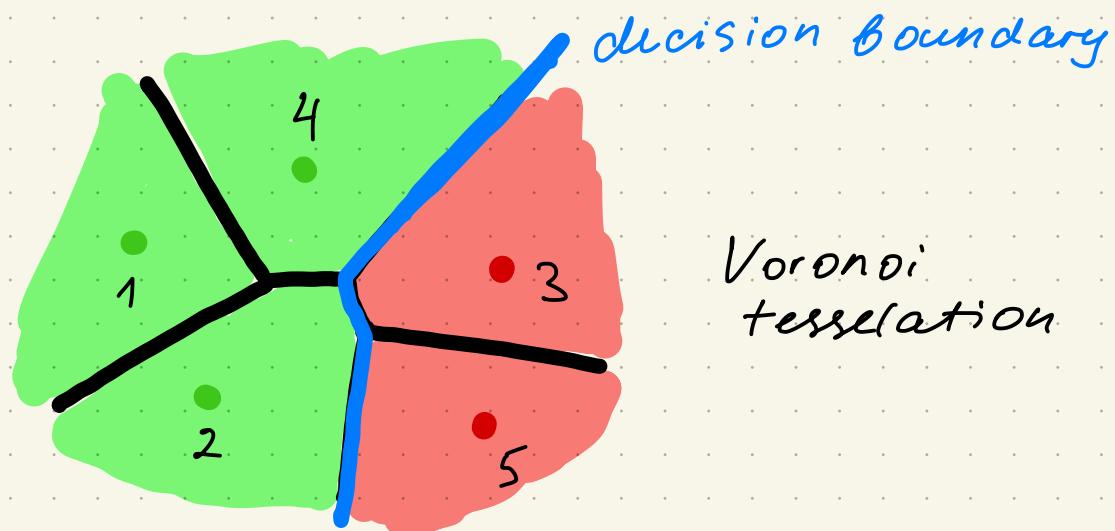
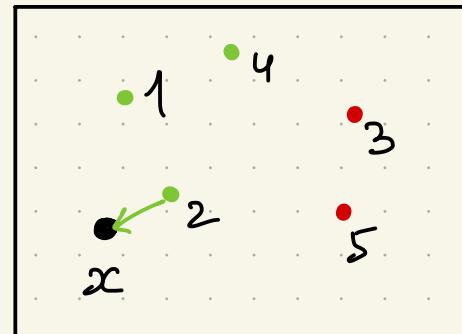
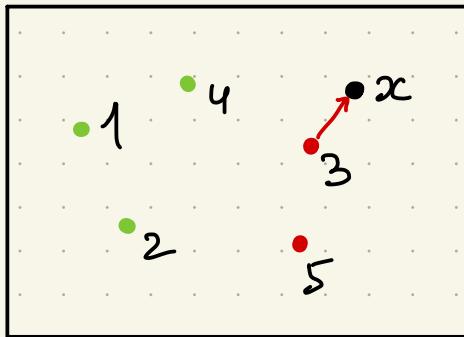
Given data  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  labels  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  classify a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$  by:

- find  $N_k(x) \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  the set of indices for K-nearest neighbors of  $x$  in the training data
- Classify  $x$  according to a majority vote

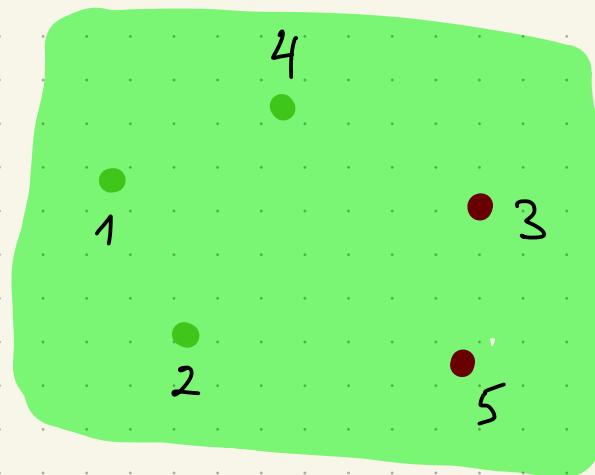
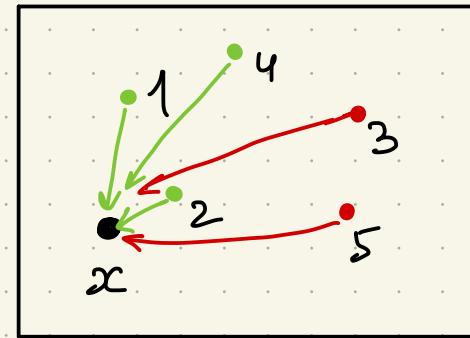
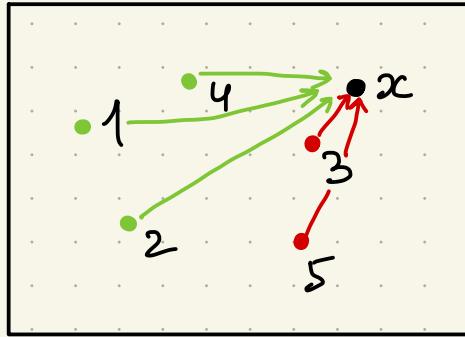
$$h(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1 \dots K} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i \in N_k(x)} I(y_i = k)$$

" $T_k$ "

# Example: 1-NN, Euclidean distance



# Example : n-NN, Euclidean distance



Dominant  
class  
prediction

## 1NN vs Bayes classifier

If we know  $P(2|x)$ , Bayes optimal classifier is  $h(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1..K} P(2=k | X=x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1..K} \pi_k(x) = k^*$

Then the error for  $x$  is  $\epsilon_{BO} = 1 - \pi_{k^*}(x)$

For 1NN denote by  $x_{nn}$  the nearest neighbor of  $x$

Then the error for  $x$  is  $\epsilon_{NN} = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k(x) (1 - \pi_k(x))$

If  $n \rightarrow \infty$  then  $\pi_k(x) = \pi_k(x_{nn})$  for  $k=1..K$

$x$  is in class  $k$  with probability  $\pi_k(x)$

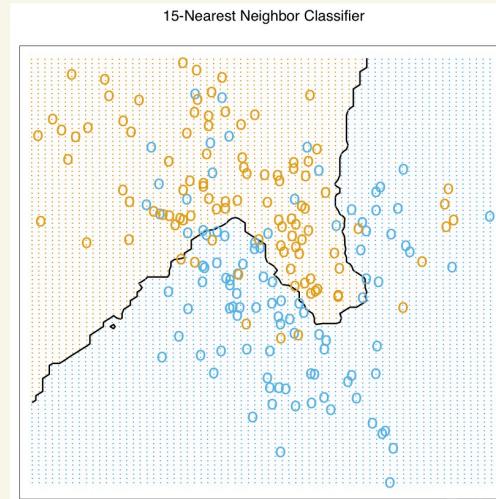
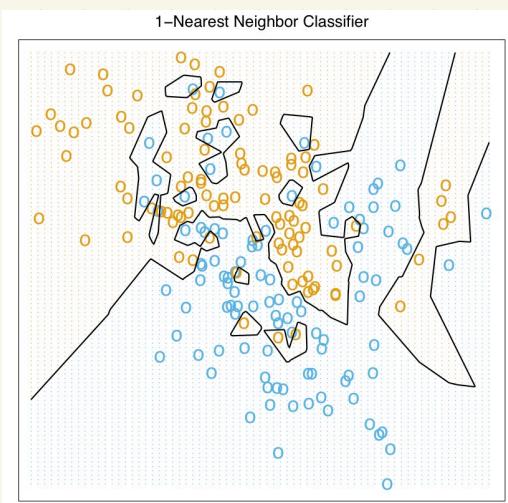
$x_{nn}$  is not in class  $k$  with probability  $1 - \pi_k(x)$

One can show that  $\epsilon_{BO} \leq \epsilon_{NN} \leq 2\epsilon_{BO}$

|  $K=2$ ,  $\epsilon_{NN} = 2 p_{k^*}(x) (1 - p_{k^*}(x))$

## Practical aspects of KNN

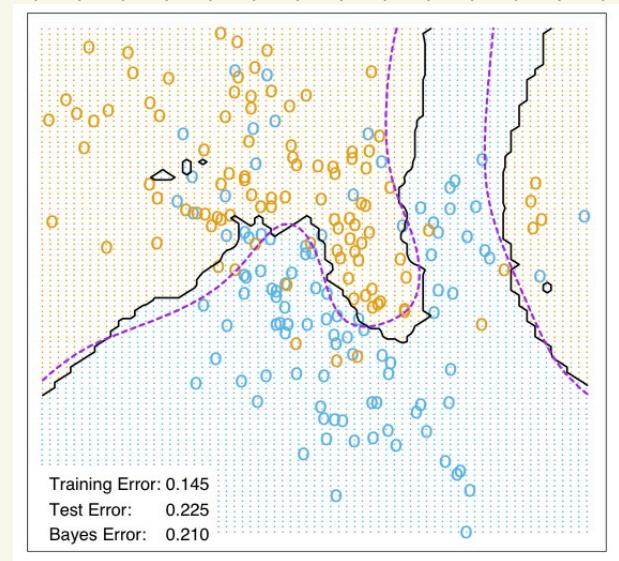
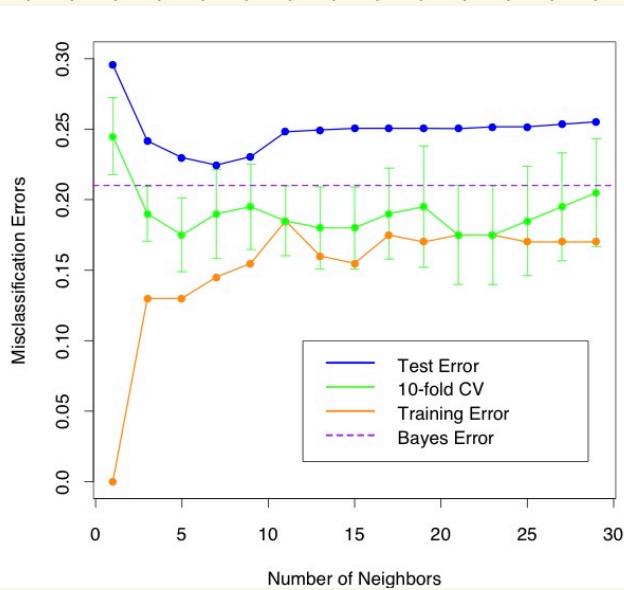
① K has significant impact on the result



Small k: capture local information,  
may overfit

Large k: more stable, may underfit

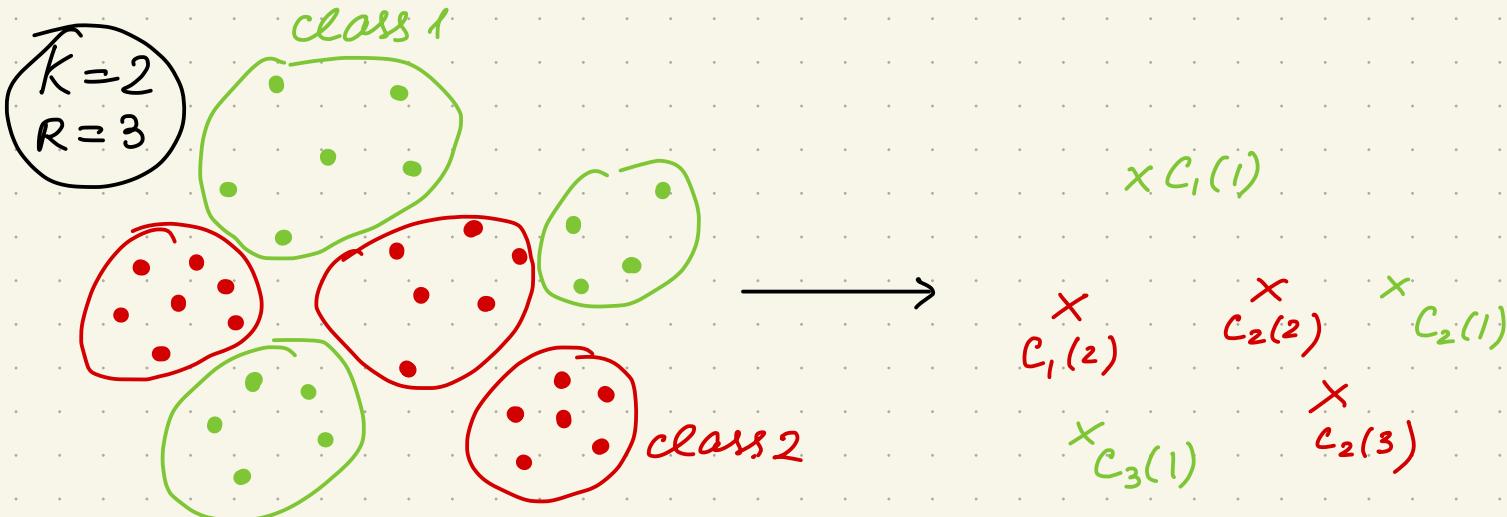
Use cross-validation to select  $K$ .



- (2) Scaling is important, standardize  $X$ .
- (3) KNN requires storing  $X$  and  $y$   
 For class  $R$ , take  $\{x_i : i \in C_R\}$  and  
 perform R-Means clustering.

Denote the centroids by  $C_1(k) \dots C_r(k)$

Replace  $\{x_i : i \in C_R\} \rightarrow \{C_r(k) : r = 1 \dots R\}$



④ KNN has equal vote weight

$$h(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1 \dots K} \sum_{i \in N_k(x)} \frac{1}{K} I(y_i = k)$$

Ties can be broken at random, alternatively:

$$h(x) = \operatorname{argmax}_{k=1 \dots K} \sum_{i \in N_k(x)} w(x, x_i) I(y_i = k)$$

$$\text{e.g. } w(x, x_i) = \frac{1}{\|x_i - x\|^2}$$

