

Exercise Sheet 4: Discriminant Analysis

Computer Problems:

1. In this example, the remote-sensing data are used. In this data set, *crops*, the observations are grouped into five crops: clover, corn, cotton, soybeans, and sugar beets. Four measures called x_1 through x_4 make up the descriptive variables.
 - (a) Perform a linear discriminant analysis with response variable *Crop*. Assume equal variances. Interpret the results.
 - (b) Perform a quadratic discriminant analysis with response variable *Crop*. Assume non-equal variances. Interpret the results.
2. A large international air carrier has collected data on employees in three different job classifications; 1) customer service personnel, 2) mechanics and 3) dispatchers. The director of Human Resources wants to know if these three job classifications appeal to different personality types. Each employee is administered a battery of psychological test which include measures of interest in outdoor activity, sociability and conservativeness.
 - (a) Perform a descriptive analysis.
 - (b) Perform a correlation analysis for the explanatory variables.
 - (c) Perform a linear discriminant analysis with response variable *JOB*. Assume equal variances. Interpret the results.
 - (d) Perform a quadratic discriminant analysis with response variable *JOB*. Assume non-equal variances. Interpret the results.