

4.8.3

let π_k : overall probability that a randomly chosen observation comes from the k th class.

$f_k(x)$: Probability density function of x for an observation that is in k th class.

$$f_k(x) \rightarrow N(\mu_k, \sigma_k^2)$$

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_k^2}(x-\mu_k)^2}$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 2\mu_k x + \mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2}$$

$$\log(p_k(x)) = \log(f_k(x)) + \log(\pi_k) - \log\left(\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l f_l(x)\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow = x^2 \left(\frac{-1}{2\sigma_k^2} \right) + x \left(\frac{\mu_k}{\sigma_k^2} \right) - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} - \log(\sigma_k \sqrt{2\pi})$$

$\log(p_k(x))$ can be seen as a function which is quadratic in x .

Hence, quadratic discriminant analysis.

4.8.7

let $K=1$ for companies which issues a dividend and let $K=2$ for companies that don't issue a dividend.

% profits follows

for class $k=1 \approx N(\hat{\mu}_1=10, \hat{\sigma}^2=36)$

class $k=2 \approx N(\hat{\mu}_2=0, \hat{\sigma}_2^2=36)$

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$$\pi_1 = 0.8$$

$$\pi_2 = 0.2$$

$$p_k(x) = \frac{\pi_k f_k(x)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k f_k(x)} = \frac{\pi_1 f_1(4)(0.8)}{0.8 f_1(4) + 0.2 f_2(4)}$$

$$p_1(x=4) = \frac{0.8(0.04033)}{0.8 \times 0.04033 + 0.2 \times 0.05324}$$

$$= \frac{0.032264}{0.032264 + 0.010648}$$

$$= 0.75185$$