

The task is to prove that the solutions to maximize the log likelihood for GDA are those given in the lectures. For the sake of clarity we will make some definitions. Let's note the the number of samples corresponding to class one $y^{(i)} = 1$ as k , and class zero $y^{(i)} = 0$ as $m - k$, while total number of samples are m . Let's also define a subset of indices for class 1 as $C_1 = \{i; y^{(i)} = 1\}$, and for class 0 $C_0 = \{i; y^{(i)} = 0\}$. Also for this task we may consider that the data is one-dimensional, so the covariance matrix $\Sigma = \sigma^2$ is just a real number. So the equations we need to prove are listed below.

$$\phi = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m 1\{y^{(i)} = 1\} = \frac{k}{m}$$

$$\mu_0 = \frac{\sum_{i \in C_0} x^{(i)}}{m - k}$$

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\sum_{i \in C_1} x^{(i)}}{k}$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x^{(i)} - \mu_{y^{(i)}})^T (x^{(i)} - \mu_{y^{(i)}}) =$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x^{(i)} - \mu_{y^{(i)}})^2$$

Lets first start by simplifying by reminding the conditional probability distribution functions for each class:

$$p(x|y^{(i)} = 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma^2}\right] = p_0(x)$$

$$p(x|y^{(i)} = 1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma^2}\right] = p_1(x)$$

The log-likelihood can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\phi, \mu_0, \mu_1, \sigma) &= \\ \log \mathcal{L}(\phi, \mu_0, \mu_1, \sigma) &= \log \prod_{i=1}^m p(x^{(i)}, y^{(i)}; \phi, \mu_0, \mu_1, \sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^m \log p(x^{(i)}|y^{(i)}; \mu_0, \mu_1, \sigma) p(y^{(i)}; \phi) \\ &= \sum_{i \in C_0} \log(p_0(x^{(i)})(1 - \phi)) + \sum_{i \in C_1} \log(p_1(x^{(i)})\phi) \\ &= \sum_{i \in C_0} \log p_0(x^{(i)}) + \sum_{i \in C_1} \log p_1(x^{(i)}) + (m - k) \log(1 - \phi) + k \cdot \log \phi \end{aligned}$$

To find a maximum of log-likelihood w.r.t. ϕ we can just differentiate and find a solution to equation:

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\phi} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\phi} \left[(m-k)\log(1-\phi) + k \cdot \log\phi \right] &= 0 \\ k \frac{1}{\phi} - (m-k) \frac{1}{1-\phi} &= 0 \\ 1 - \left(\frac{m}{k} - 1 \right) \cdot \frac{\phi}{1-\phi} &= 0 \\ \frac{\phi}{(1-\phi)} &= \frac{k}{m-k} \\ \frac{\phi}{(1-\phi)} &= \frac{k/m}{1-k/m} \\ \phi &= \frac{k}{m}\end{aligned}$$

Now let's find analogously derivative of log-likelihood w.r.t to other parameters.

$$\log p_1(x^{(i)}) = \frac{1}{const} - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_1)^2$$

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\mu_1} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\ell}{d\mu_1} &= \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{\partial \log p_1(x^{(i)})}{\partial \mu_1} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{\partial (x^{(i)} - \mu_1)^2}{\partial \mu_1} = \\ &= \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{d(x^2 - 2x\mu_1 + \mu_1^2)}{d\mu_1} = \sum_{i \in C_1} -2x + 2\mu_1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i \in C_1} x^{(i)} = \sum_{i \in C_1} \mu_1$$

$$\sum_{i \in C_1} x^{(i)} = k\mu_1$$

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\sum_{i \in C_1} x^{(i)}}{k}$$

And the last one σ . First lets simplify the log-likelihood equation containing σ :

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \in C_1} \log p_1(x^{(i)}) + \sum_{i \in C_0} \log p_0(x^{(i)}) = \\ & = \sum \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{(x - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in C_0} \frac{(x - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma^2} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\sum \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} = - \sum \log \sqrt{2\pi} - \sum \log \sigma = -m \cdot \log \sqrt{2\pi} - m \cdot \log \sigma \quad (2)$$

Insert (2) into (1) and differentiating w.r.t σ would give us

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\sigma} = -m \frac{d \log \sigma}{\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{(x - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma^3} \cdot (-2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in C_0} \frac{(x - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma^3} \cdot (-2)$$

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\sigma} = -m \frac{1}{\sigma} + \sum_{i \in C_1} \frac{(x - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma^3} + \sum_{i \in C_0} \frac{(x - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma^3} = 0$$

$$\frac{\sum_{i \in C_1} (x - \mu_1)^2 + \sum_{i \in C_0} (x - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma^2} = m$$

$$\Sigma = \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x - \mu_{y^{(i)}})^2$$