

Introduction to Machine Learning – Generative Models

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Plan for Today

- Bayes Classifier
- Linear Discriminant Analysis
- Classification Errors

Warm Up: Logistic Regression

	Year <dbl>	Lag1 <dbl>	Lag2 <dbl>	Lag3 <dbl>	Lag4 <dbl>	Lag5 <dbl>	Volume <dbl>	Today <dbl>	Direction <fctr>
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Call:

```
glm(formula = Direction ~ Lag1 + Lag2 + Lag3 + Lag4 + Lag5 +
     Volume, family = binomial, data = Weekly)
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Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.6949	-1.2565	0.9913	1.0849	1.4579

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
(Intercept)	0.26686	0.08593	3.106	0.0019 **
Lag1	-0.04127	0.02641	-1.563	0.1181
Lag2	0.05844	0.02686	2.175	0.0296 *
Lag3	-0.01606	0.02666	-0.602	0.5469
Lag4	-0.02779	0.02646	-1.050	0.2937
Lag5	-0.01447	0.02638	-0.549	0.5833
Volume	-0.02274	0.03690	-0.616	0.5377

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Which
predictors are
significant?

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Confusion Matrix for our model:

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Actual

Predicted

What is the
overall error rate
for our model's
predictions?

*More about
error later!

Generative Models

- Logistic Regression directly models $\Pr(Y = k|X = x)$
 - i.e., we model the conditional distribution of Y given the predictor(s) X
- Alternatively, we can model the distribution of predictors, X , separately for each response class. Then use Bayes Theorem to flip them into estimates for $\Pr(Y = k|X = x)$

Generative Models

Why bother?

- When there is substantial separation between the two classes, Logistic Regression parameter estimates are unstable
- If the distribution of the predictors is approximately normal in each class and the sample size is small
Generative Models will tend to outperform Logistic Models
- Generative Models extend to more than two classes much more seamlessly

Generative Models

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Assumption 1:

- $f_k(x)$ is *normal* or *Gaussian*
- Then, $f_k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi_k\sigma_k}} * e^{\left(\frac{-1}{2\sigma_k^2}(x-\mu_k)^2\right)}$

where μ_k and σ_k^2 are the mean and variance of the k th class

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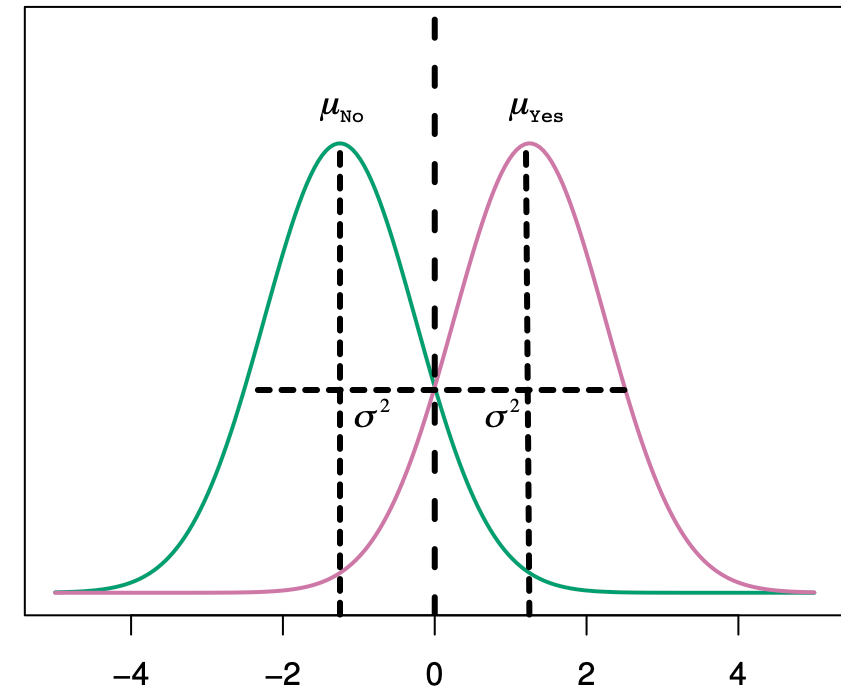
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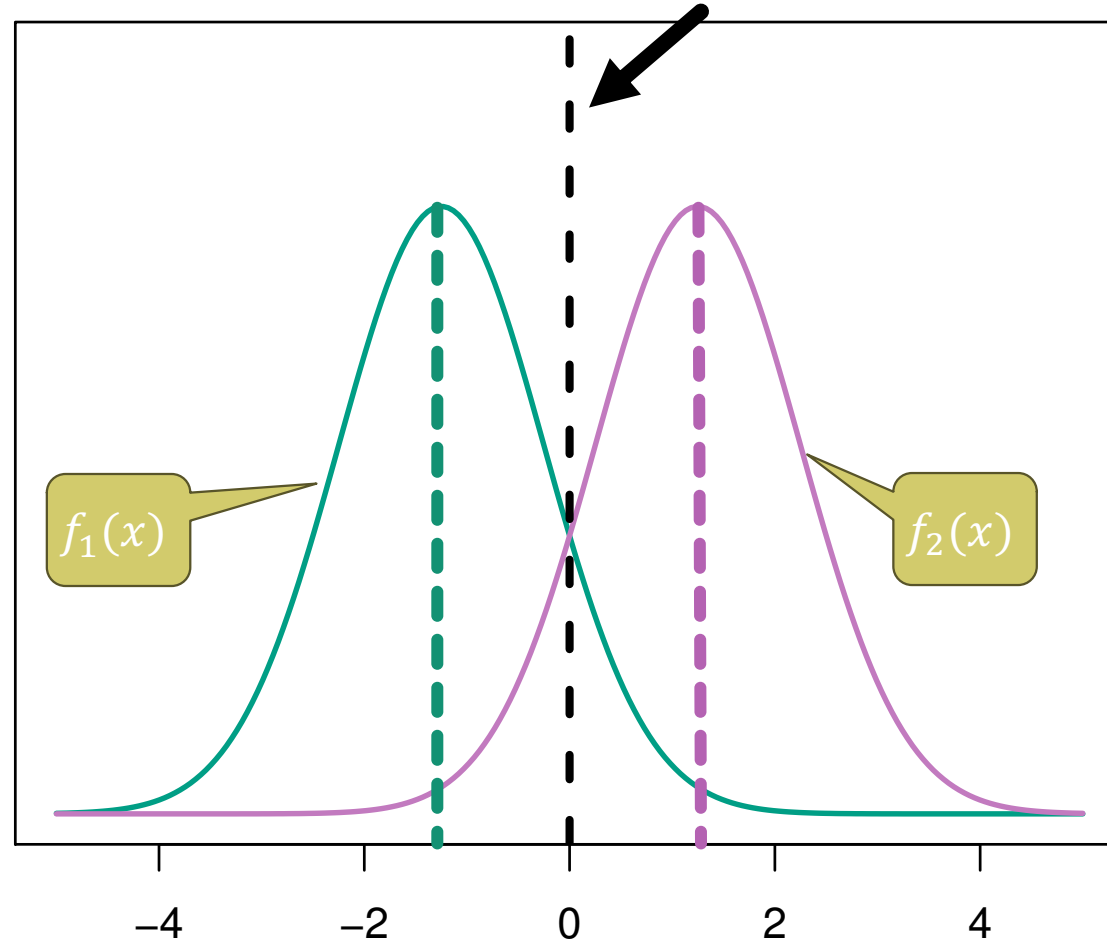
$$\delta_k(x) = x * \frac{\mu_k}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma^2} + \log(\Pr(Y = k))$$

This is called a ***discriminant function*** of x

Example

LDA

Bayes' Decision Boundary at $x=0$



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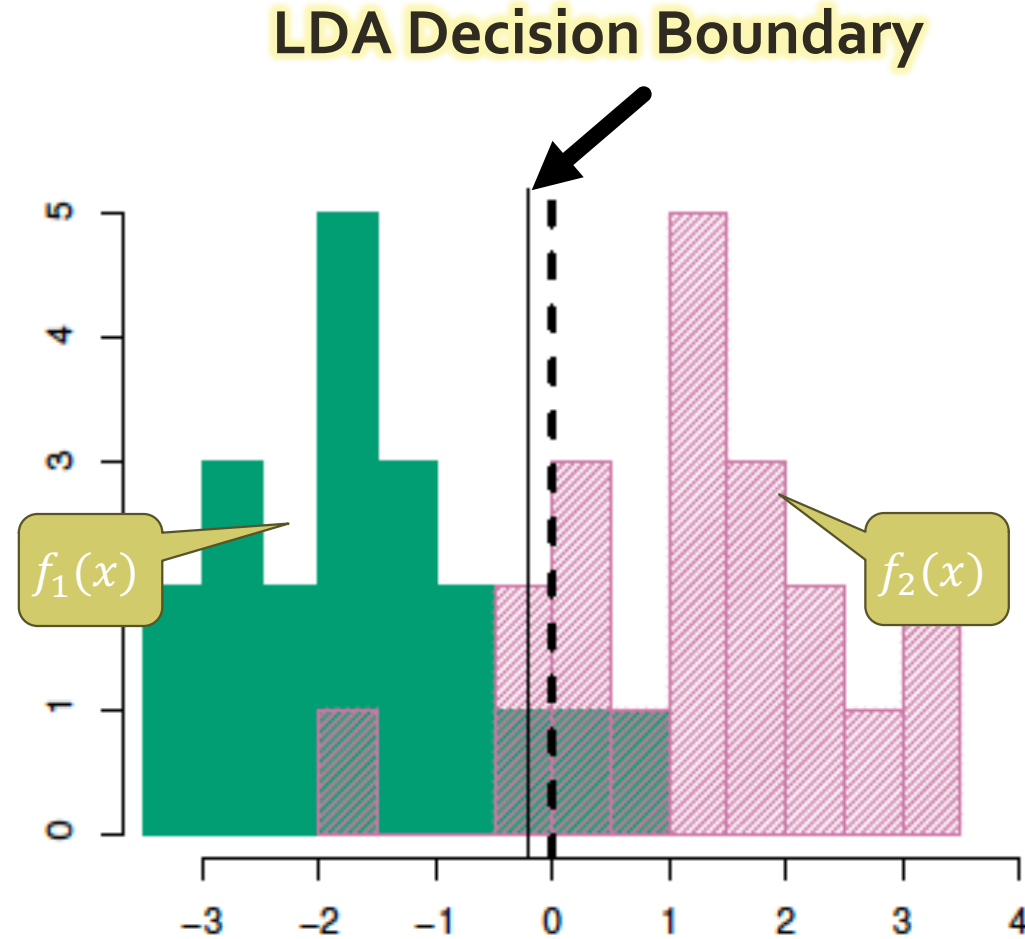
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The decision boundary is where $\delta_1(x) = \delta_2(x)$

x values to the left of the boundary are assigned to green, and to the right are assigned to purple

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- And remember, we estimate $\hat{\pi}_k = \frac{n_k}{n}$

LDA

LDA uses all of those estimates to get the discriminant function, and assigns an observation to the class for which the function is largest.

$$\delta_k(x) = x * \frac{\mu_k}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma^2} + \log(\Pr(Y = k))$$


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The linear in LDA comes from the fact that this function is linear in x

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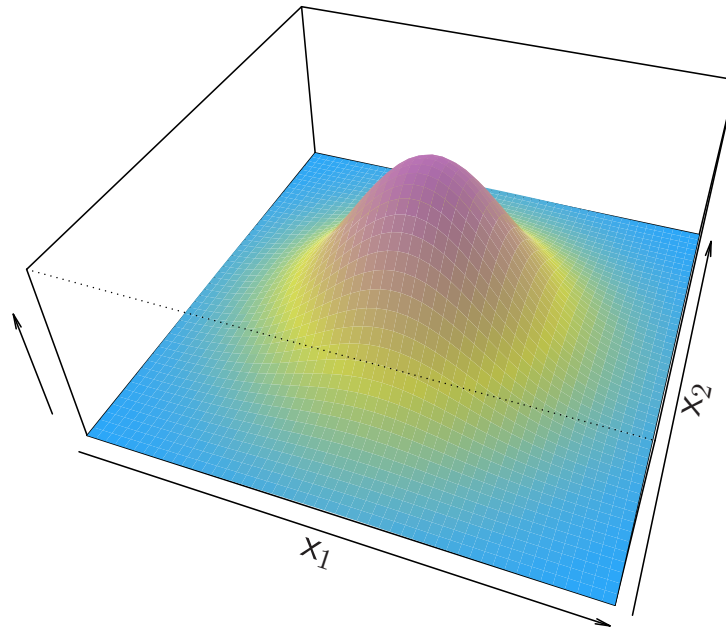
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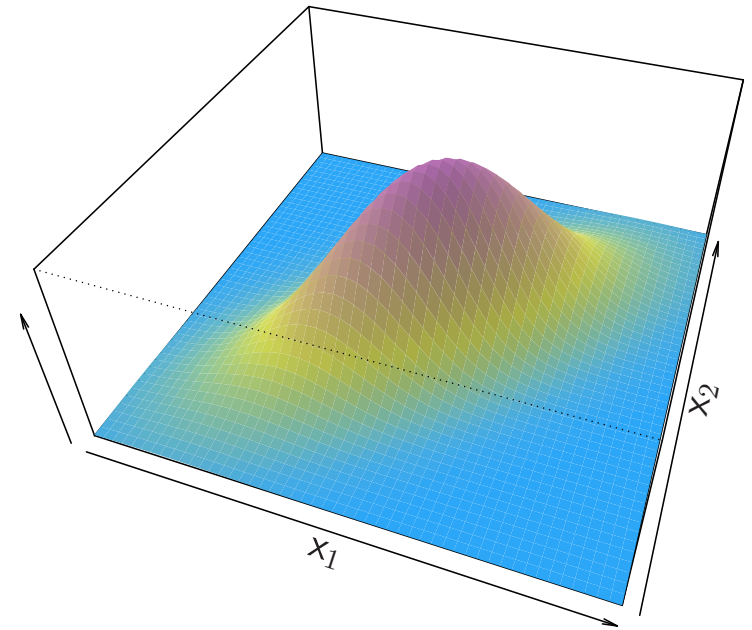
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uncorrelated



correlation or
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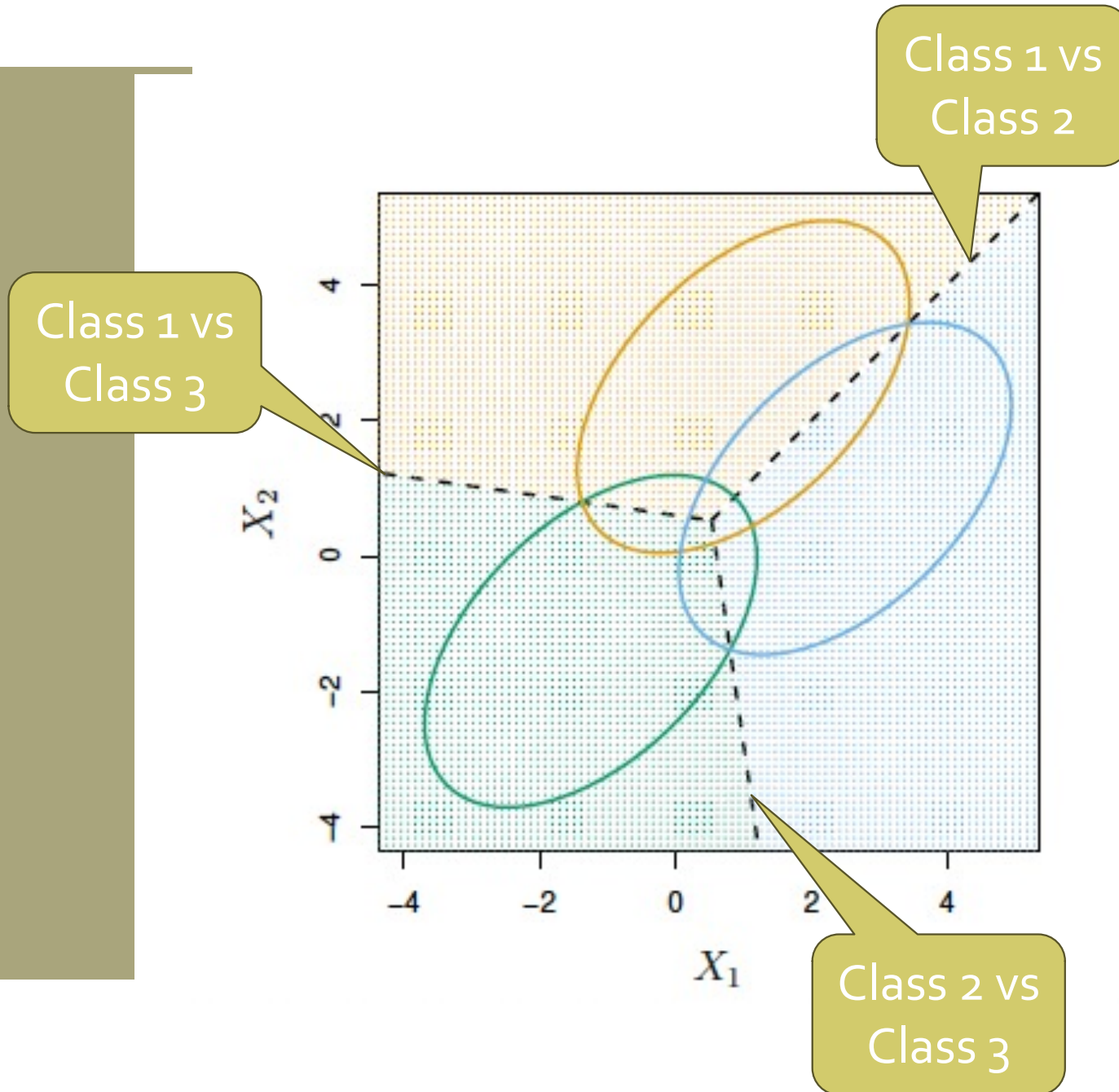
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- Plugging in, we get the matrix version of our previous equation:

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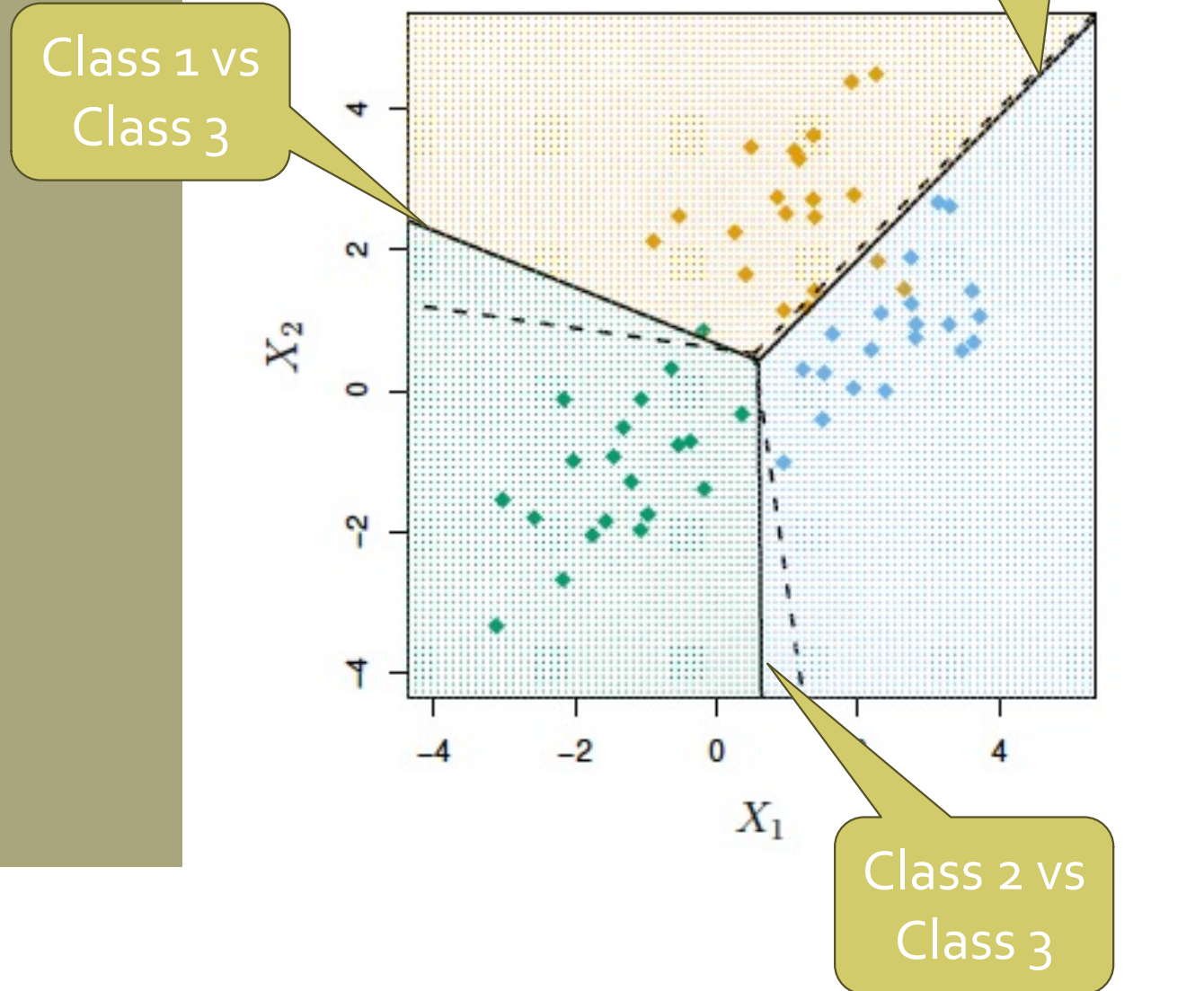


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Confusion matrix on *training data*

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Classification
Error

What is the overall error rate? Does that seem good or bad?

Hint: Think about the error rate you'd get just from saying no one defaults.

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There are two types (or categories) of error here. What are they?

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Does the model perform equally well within
each error type?

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What is the sensitivity and specificity of our model?

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How could we make our model more sensitive? Ideas?

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Classification Error

Increasing sensitivity of LDA

- Remember this?
 - $\Pr(Y = k | X = x)$ is the **posterior probability**, i.e. the probability that an observation belongs to the k th class given the predictor value (x) for the observation
- Bayes Classifiers use a posterior probability of 0.5 (for two classes)
 - In the Default example we assign an observation to default if
$$\Pr(\text{default} = \text{Yes} | X = x) > 0.5$$
- However, we can lower this threshold!
 - Ex. we can assign an observation to default if
$$\Pr(\text{default} = \text{Yes} | X = x) > 0.2$$

Classification Error

LDA on Default data with new posterior probability

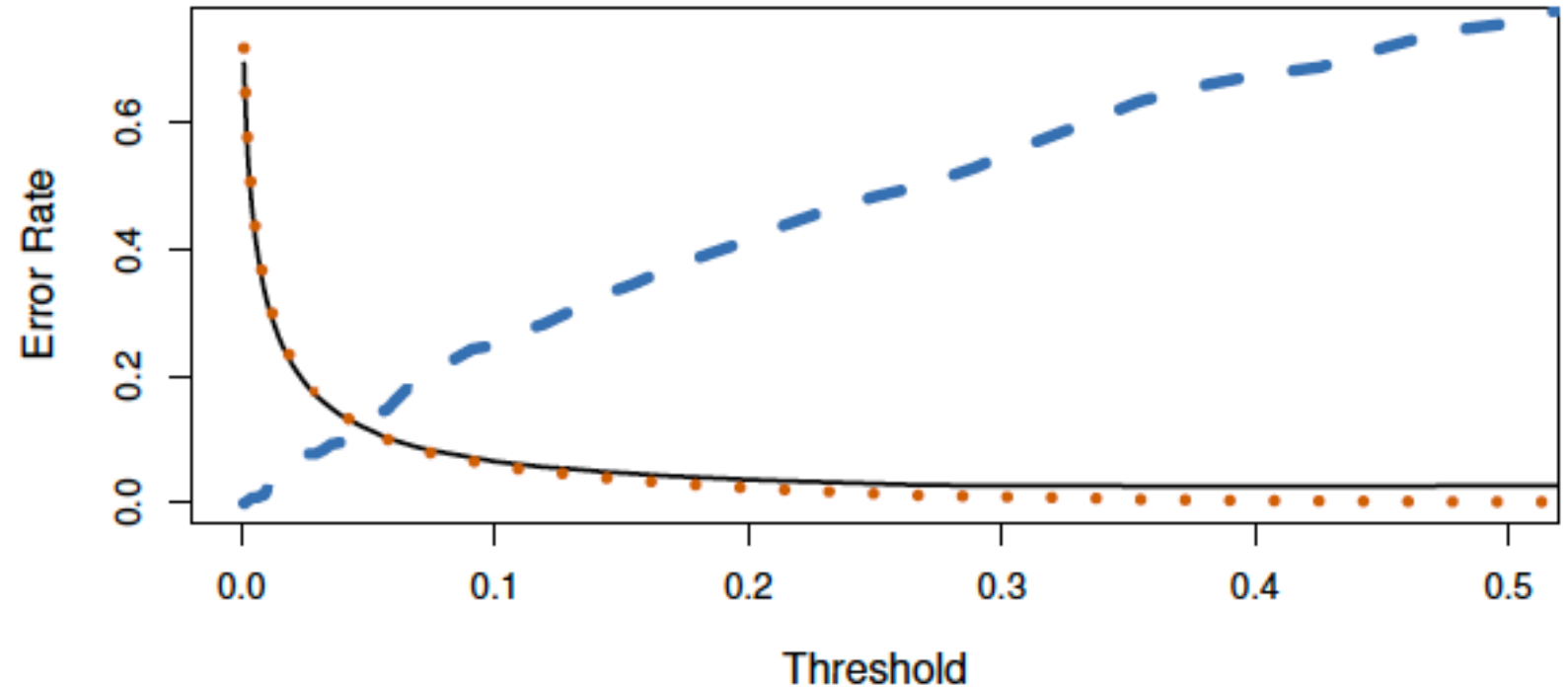
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Is this better?

Classification Error

Tradeoff when modifying posterior probability



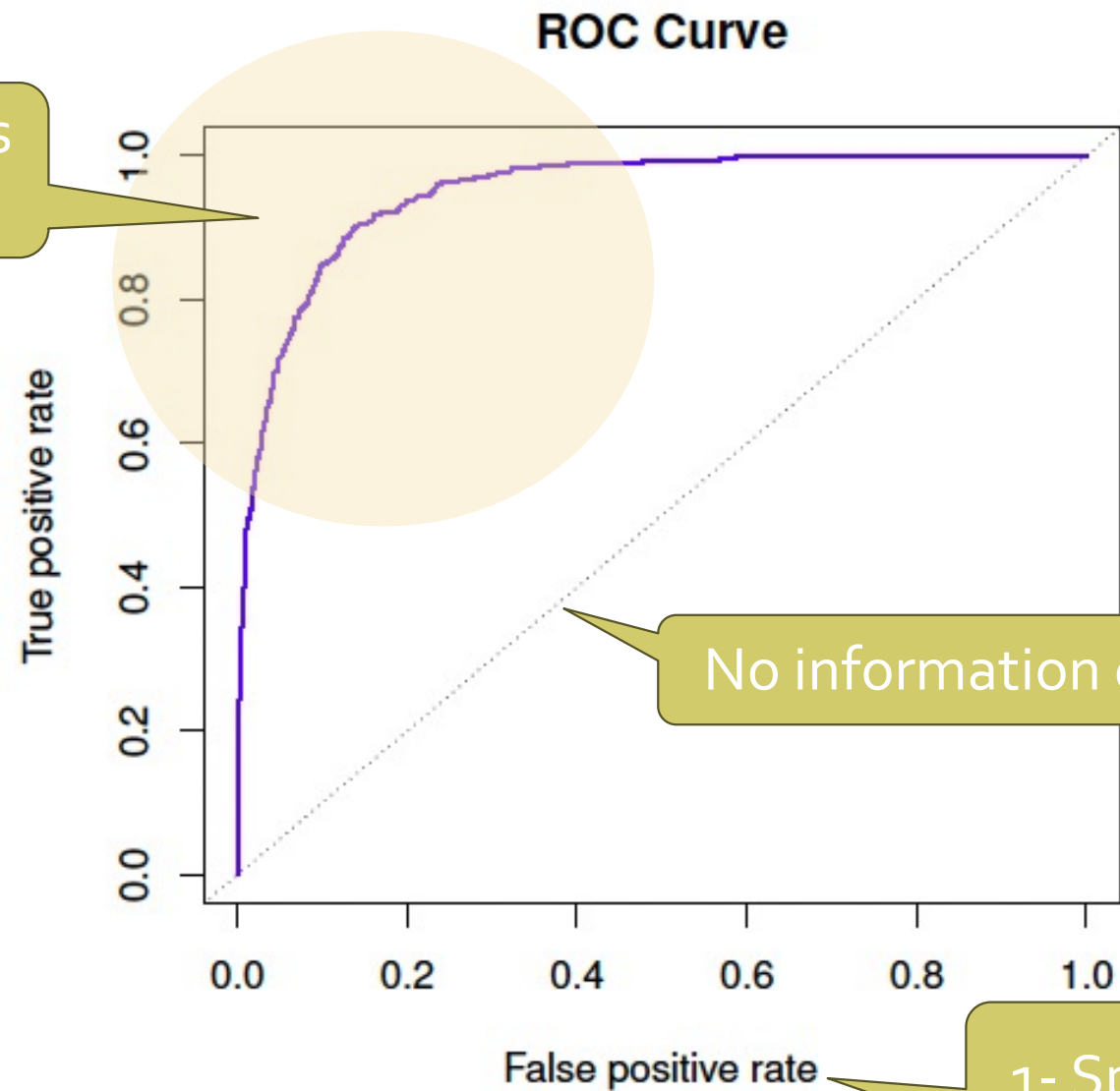
- Black solid line = overall error
- Blue dashed line = False negatives
- Orange dotted line = False positives

ROC Curve for LDA

ROC Curve

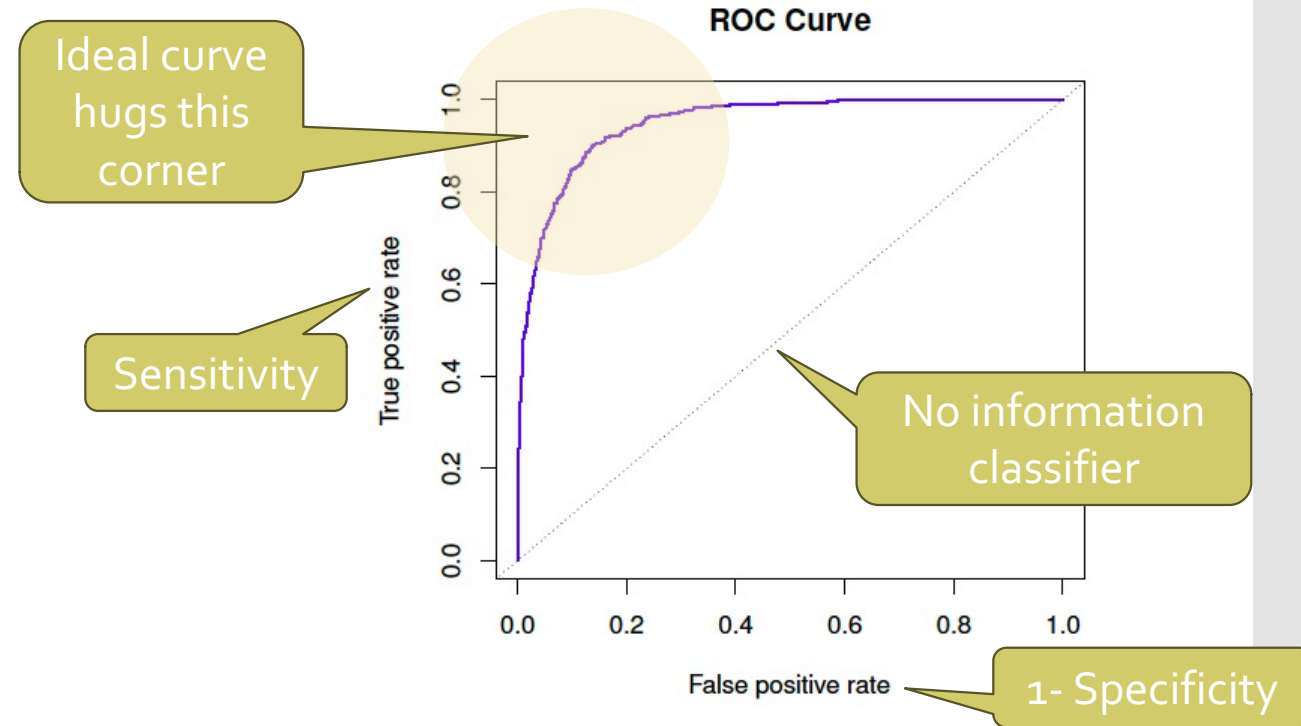
Ideal curve hugs
this corner

Sensitivity



ROC Curve

AUC (Area Under the ROC Curve)



- The overall performance of a classifier summarized over all possible thresholds is the AUC
- Maximum is 1, so numbers closer to that are better
- Useful way to compare difference classifiers

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Consider our confusion matrix from our logistic model. What is a false positive? What is a false negative? What are the false positive and false negative rates? What are the sensitivity and specificity of the model?

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