# MAP 534 Introduction to machine learning Linear models for classification I

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## A quick clarification regarding homework and Labs

- No librairies can be used for the homeworks.
- Extension for the first one to Monday.
- Students which would have submitted their homework in due date will have a bonus for the next one +2 points.
- Correction for some exercises/labs will be provided.

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Bayes classifier

Deterministic discriminative learning

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Discriminant analysis (linear and quadratic

# Introduction to classification: setting

- We consider a supervised setting.
- Decide how to encode inputs and outputs: this defines the input space X, and the output space Y.
- Here we consider specifically the classification problem: Y is a finite set,

$$Y = \{1, \dots K\}$$
, in most of this lecture even  $Y = \{0, 1\}$  (or  $\{-1, 1\}$ ). (1)

• In this lecture, we apply the three machine learning paradigms to address:

$$y_{\text{pred}} = \mathscr{C}(x_{\text{new}})$$
, (2)

and aim to quantify if possible the uncertainties of our predictions.

- Here & is called a classifier.
- Recall that the three paradigms are:
  - deterministic discriminative learning;
  - probabilistic discriminative learning;
  - probabilistic generative learning;
- We will use this three paradigms to learn particular classifiers.
- A first question we deal with is the existence of an optimal classifier, also called Bayes classifier.

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#### An optimal classifier?

- Consider  $Y = \{0,1\}$  and  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ .
- What would be an optimal classifier  $\mathscr{C}: \mathsf{X} \to \{0,1\}$ .
- To this end, we take a decision theoretical approach.
- Consider a probabilistic model for the data (X, Y) and denote by  $(x, y) \mapsto p(x, y)$  the corresponding density.
- Namely,

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in A, Y = i) = \int_{A} p(x, i) dx, \qquad (3)$$

where  $p_0, p_1$  are probability densities on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

ullet We define the risk of a classifier  $\mathscr{C}:\mathsf{X} o \{0,1\}$  as

$$Risk(\mathscr{C}) = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{1}\left\{\mathscr{C}(X) \neq Y\right\}\right]. \tag{4}$$

• We can show that a classifier which minimizes the risk is given by  $x \mapsto \mathscr{C}^*(x)$  where  $\mathscr{C}^*(x) = \mathbb{1}\{q^*(x) \geq 1/2\}$  with

$$q^{\star}(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y|X=x] = \mathbb{P}(Y=1|X=x) = p(x,1)/(p(x,0) + p(x,1)).$$
(5)

Proof: see in small classes.

- Take Y =  $\{0,1\}$ . Recall  $\mathscr{C}^*(x) = \mathbb{1}\{q^*(x) \ge 1/2\}$ .
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- To this end, we approximate  $x \mapsto q^*(x)$  by functions

$$h_w: x \mapsto \sigma \circ f_w(x) \quad \sigma: \mathbb{R} \to [0,1],$$
 (6)

- $f_w \in \mathcal{F}$  where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a hypothesis class of functions from X to  $\mathbb{R}$  parametrized by w.
- For example,

$$\mathcal{F}_{\phi} = \left\{ x \mapsto \phi(x)^{\mathrm{T}} w + w_{0} : w \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \right\} , \quad \phi(x) = (\phi_{1}(x), \dots, \phi_{d}(x))^{\mathrm{T}} .$$
(7)

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 (8)

with

- $f_w \in \mathcal{F}$  where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a hypothesis class of functions from X to  $\mathbb{R}$  parametrized by w.
- Here  $\sigma$  is called an activation function.
- Ideally, in discriminative deterministic learning, we would like to choose  $\sigma_1: t\mapsto \mathbb{1}\ \{t-1/2\geq 0\}$  but non-smooth. Hence we use a regularization of this function (in general).
- In many cases, σ will come from distribution function from probabilistic models that we will use.

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• Given a learned  $h_{\hat{w}}$ , the predictor/classifier is

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 , where  $\eta$  is a threshold, most of the times  $1/2$  or 0 . (13)

• The set

$$\{x \in X : h_{\hat{w}}(x) = \eta\}$$
 (14)

is called the decision boundary associated with  $h_{\hat{w}}$ .

ullet Take  $Y=\{0,1\}.$  If we change the risk with an asymmetric risk

$$\operatorname{Risk}_{\eta}(\mathscr{C}) = \eta \mathbb{P}(Y = 1, \mathscr{C}(X) = 0) + (1 - \eta)\mathbb{P}(Y = 0, \mathscr{C}(X) = 1) , \quad (15)$$

the optimal classifier is no more  $\mathscr{C}^{\star}(x)=\mathbb{1}\left\{q^{\star}(x)\geq 1/2\right\}$  but  $\mathscr{C}^{\star}(x)=\mathbb{1}\left\{q^{\star}(x)\geq \eta\right\}$ .

- Here recall  $q^*(x) = \mathbb{P}(Y = 0 | X = x)$ .
- The extreme cases are easy...
- Given a learned  $h_{\hat{w}}$  approximating  $q^*$ , the predictor/classifier is then in that case

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- Take  $Y = \{0, 1\}$ .
- We consider first deterministic discriminative learning;
- and the activation function  $\sigma(t) = 1 \{ t \ge 1/2 \}$ .
- In this simple case, the previous discussion simplifies and the classifiers have the form

$$\mathscr{C}_w: x \mapsto \mathbb{1} \left\{ f_w(x) \ge 0 \right\} , \quad f_w \in \mathcal{F} ,$$
 (18)

with  $\mathcal{F}$  hypothesis class of functions from  $X \to \mathbb{R}$ .

• In the following, we consider only linear classifiers:

$$\mathscr{C}_w(x) = \mathbb{1}\left\{f_w(x) > 0\right\}, \quad f_w(x) = w^{\mathrm{T}}\Phi(x), \quad \Phi: X \to \mathbb{R}^d.$$
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#### Some reminders

- Choose a class of hypotheses/representations  $C = \{\mathscr{C}_w : X \to Y : w \in \Theta\}.$
- Choose a loss function  $\ell: Y \times X \times \Theta$ .
- Define the error function

$$E_{\ell}(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(y_i, x_i, w)$$
, equivalently  $E_{\ell}(w) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(y_i, x_i, w)$ .

• Choose an algorithm to solve

minimize 
$$E_{\ell}$$
 . (21)

ullet Here, we start by specifying  ${\mathcal C}$  and the form of  $\ell.$ 

#### Linear discriminant functions

- First, choose the class  $C = \{\mathscr{C}_w : X \to Y : w \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$ .
- Consider  $Y = \{0,1\}$  and  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ .
- The most simple predictors are linear predictor

$$\mathscr{C}_w : x \mapsto \mathbb{1} \{ f_w(x) \ge 0 \} , \quad f_w(x) = w^{\mathrm{T}} x + w_0 .$$
 (22)

• Here the decision boundary is a the affine hyperplan:

$$\mathsf{H} = \{(w_0, w) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1} : w^{\mathrm{T}} x + w_0 = 0\}.$$
 (23)

- w is called a weight vector;
- w<sub>0</sub> a bias (not in statistical sense) or sometimes a negative threshold (why?).

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 Adding a component equal to 1 to x (dummy variable), we can simply consider

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 (25)

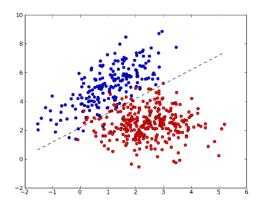
- In what follows, if not specify, I always consider that a dummy variable is added to the data...
- ullet Define a loss  $\ell$  and the error function

$$E_{\ell}(w) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell(y_i, f_w(x_i)) .$$
 (26)

• Choose an algorithm to solve minimize  $E_{\ell}$ .

#### Classification

# Geometrically



• Learn a boundary to separate two "groups" of points.

## Perceptron algorithm

- Here we consider  $Y = \{-1, 1\}$  which allow a more simple presentation of the perceptron algorithm.
- ullet If data  $\in \{0,1\}$ , apply the simple transformation

$$y \mapsto 2y - 1$$
, with inverse  $y \mapsto (y + 1)/2$ . (27)

- We consider here a slight generalization of the previous class function using basis functions  $\{\phi_j: X \to \mathbb{R}\}$ .
- Denote by  $\phi(x) = (\phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_d(x))^T$  and consider the class of linear discriminant functions associated with:

$$C = \left\{ x \mapsto \mathscr{C}(x) = 2 \times \mathbb{1} \left\{ \phi(x)^{\mathrm{T}} w > 0 \right\} - 1 : w \in \mathbb{R}^d \right\}$$
 (28)

• Now which loss and error functions to estimate the weight w?

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(29)

• Here we consider the error function:

$$E_{perc}(w) = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i f_w(x_i) \mathbb{1} \{ y_i f_w(x_i) < 0 \} .$$
 (30)

- Justification: we aim to fit the data:
  - if the data i well-classified, no contribution since  $y_i f_w(x_i) \ge 0$ ;
  - ullet if the data i not well-classified, linear contribution  $-y_i\phi_x(x_i)^{\mathrm{T}}w\geq 0$ .
- Exercise: what is the corresponding loss?

# The perceptron algorithm: introduction to stochastic gradient descent

- We aim to minimize  $E(w) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} E_i(w)$ ,  $E_i = y_i f_w(x_i) \mathbb{1} \{ y_i f_w(x_i) < 0 \}$ .
- $\nabla E_i(w) = ??$
- First option gradient descent (GD):

$$w_{k+1} = w_k - \eta \nabla E(w) . (31)$$

- The parameter  $\eta>0$  is called the learning rate in ML or stepsize in optimization.
- Problem of GD:  $\nabla E$  not always accessible
  - $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$  not always entirely available;
  - data may arrive sequentially/ in a continuous stream;
  - yet you want to make some predictions and adjust them with new data...
  - N is too large...

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#### Algorithm 1: Online SGD

- Initialize wo
- Given a stream of data  $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$ , for k = 0...
  - $\bullet \ \ w_{k+1} = w_k \eta_k \nabla E_k(w_k) = w_k \eta_k y_k \phi(x_k) \mathbb{1} \left\{ y_k \phi(x_k)^\mathrm{T} w_k < 0 \right\}$
- $(\eta_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of stepsize which either  $\to 0$  and is constant  $\eta_k \equiv \eta$ .
- The data is used online.
- Once the k-th pair  $(x_k, y_k)$  has been used, it can be forgotten.
- Number of iterations: number of data which can be collected.

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- When N is too large

#### Algorithm 2: Batch SGD

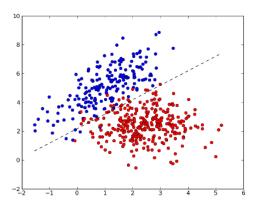
- Initialize  $w_0$ , size of a batch b;
- Given a dataset  $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^N$ , for k = 0...
  - Take a random batch  $B_k \subset \{1, ..., N\}$  with  $Card(B_k) = b$ ;
  - $w_{k+1} = w_k \eta_k \sum_{i \in B_k} \nabla E_i(w_k) = w_k \eta_k \sum_{i \in B_k} y_i \phi(x_i) \mathbb{1} \{ y_i \phi(x_i)^T w_k < 0 \}$
- The data is used by batches.
- Number of iterations: potentially infinite.
- Under appropriate condition  $(w_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  converges to a minimizer of E.
- An alternative to  $(w_k)_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$  is the corresponding Polyak-Ruppert averaging.

# Cons of the perceptron algorithm

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  - ullet Perceptron does not generalize well for K>2;
  - does not provide probabilistic outputs;
- In the sequel, we present probabilistic models to circumvent the last issue.

#### Classification

# Geometrically



- Learn a boundary to separate two "groups" of points.
- what about Y with K = Card(Y) > 2?

- Several strategies for  $Y = \{1, ..., K\}$ .
- One-versus-the rest: consider the K-1 classifiers  $\mathscr{C}_k$  associated to the  $\{0,1\}$ -prediction problems for  $k\in\{1,\ldots,K-1\}$ :

$$y = k , \quad y \neq k . \tag{32}$$

• The one-versus-the rest classifier:

$$\mathscr{C}^{\mathrm{OR}} = \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} (k+1)\mathscr{C}_k . \tag{33}$$

- This makes sense for K=2?
- However, this leads to ambiguous classification, i.e., classifiers give non-consistent results
- Example:  $\mathscr{C}_{K-1}(x) = \mathscr{C}_{K-2}(x) = 1$  or  $\mathscr{C}^{\mathrm{OR}}(x) \notin \mathsf{Y} = \{1, \dots, K\}.$

- Several strategies for  $Y = \{1, \dots, K\}$ .
- One-versus-one: consider the K(K-1)/2 classifiers  $\mathscr{C}_{k,i}$  associated to the  $\{0,1\}$ -prediction problems for  $k,i\in\{1,\ldots,K\},\ i\neq k$ :

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- A consistant solution is to consider K discriminant functions  $\{f_k: \mathsf{X} \to \mathbb{R}\}_{k=1}^K$  and set

$$\mathscr{C}^{K,\mathrm{lin}}(x) = \operatorname*{arg\,max}_{k \in \mathsf{Y}} f_k(x) \ . \tag{36}$$

- It is in line with the formal classification problem.
- Defining a classifier is in fact equivalent to define a partition of  $X = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^{K} X_i$ .
- Indeed, if we have a classifier  $\mathscr{C}$ , we can define  $X_i = \{x \ \mathscr{C}(x) = i\} = \mathscr{C}^{-1}(\{i\}).$
- If we have a partition, we can define  $\mathscr{C}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^K i \mathbb{1}_{X_i}(x)$ .

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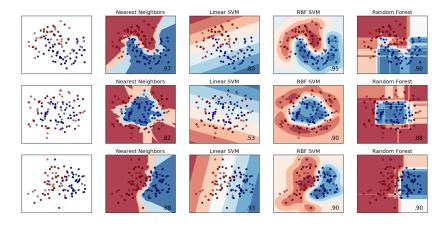
- It is in line with the formal classification problem.
- The min in the definition (39) is to make a choice in the case  $\underset{k \in Y}{\operatorname{argmax}}_{k \in Y} f_k(x)$  admits strictly more than one element.
- For A  $\subset$  Y, A =  $\{k_1, ...\}$ ,

$$D_{A} = \left\{x : \underset{k}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_{k}(x) = A\right\}, \tag{38}$$

is called the decision boundary associated with the labels in A.

#### Classification

#### ...many ways to separate points!



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- ullet Example: for  $X=\mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $f_k(x)=w_k^{\mathrm{T}}x$
- For the moment  $\{w_k\}_{k=1}^K$  are arbitrary and define the hypothesis class of our classifiers.
- They have to be learned to fit the data; up coming!
- Then  $D_{\{1,2\}} = \{x : (w_1 w_2)^T x\}.$
- $\bullet$  For any  $A\subset Y,$   $D_A$  is in fact convex (polygon):

$$x_1, x_2 \in D_A \implies tx_1 + (1-t)x_2 \in D_A \text{ for any } t \in [0,1].$$
 (40)

•  $\mathbf{?}$ : how to find  $\{f_k\}_{k=1}^K$  or equivalently here  $\{w_k\}_{k=1}^K$ ?

# Least square for classification

We consider a 1 of K binary coding scheme

$$y = k \mapsto y = \mathbf{e}_k = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \text{ position } k \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} . \tag{41}$$

• And then K linear discriminant (bias included...):

$$f_{w^{(k)}}(x) = [w^{(k)}]^{\mathrm{T}} x$$
 (42)

This gives the model

$$F_{\mathbf{W}}(x) = \mathbf{W}x$$
, where  $\mathbf{W} = [w^{(1)} \cdots w^{(K)}] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times K}$ . (43)

- We expect that if  $y_i = k$ ,  $(\mathbf{W} x_i)_k > (\mathbf{W} x_i)_{k'}$ ,  $k' \neq k$ .
- This motivates the introduction of the error function:

$$E(W) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \| y_i - W^{\mathrm{T}} w_i \|^2 .$$
 (44)

## Least square for classification

• E can be written of the of the form

$$E(W) = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{trace} \left( (Y - XW)^{\mathrm{T}} (Y - XW) \right) , \qquad (45)$$

with

$$\mathbf{Y} = [y_1 \cdots y_N]^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K} , \quad \mathbf{X} = [x_1 \cdots x_N]^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d} .$$
 (46)

• E is quadratic! and admits then a unique minimizer:

$$\hat{W} = X^{\dagger} Y = (X^{\mathrm{T}} X)^{-1} X^{\mathrm{T}} Y , \qquad (47)$$

if  $\boldsymbol{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{X}$  is invertible.

#### Comments on LS for classification

- Drawbacks
  - lack of robustness to outliers;
  - does not corresponds to any data: Solution to E corresponds to the maximum likelihood estimator for Gaussian conditional likelihood.
- In the sequel, we explore more models to addresse these issues.

#### Fisher's linear discriminant

- We consider the two classes problem  $Y = \{0, 1\}$ .
- Projection can lead to significant loss of information in the data.
- However, we can seek a vector w such that the projection onto  $\mathrm{Span}(w)$  which maximizes the separation between the two classes.
- The simplest measure of separation is the separation between the projected means:

maximize 
$$w\mapsto w^{\mathrm{T}}\{m_1-m_0\}$$
 , subject to  $\|w\|=1$  , (48)

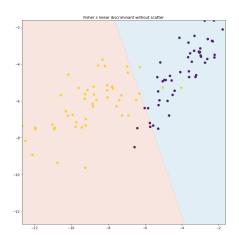
$$m_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j \mathbb{1} \{ y_j = i \} / \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathbb{1} \{ y_j = i \}$$
 (49)

Solution

$$\hat{w} = (m_1 - m_0) / \|m_1 - m_0\| . {(50)}$$

 However this criteria is too sensible to correlated data: does not catch second order information.

# **Example: Fisher first attempt**



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- To catch second order information, we aim to take into account the variance of the data once projected to w:

$$s^2 = w^{\mathrm{T}} \Sigma w , \quad S_W = \sum_{j=1}^{N} (x_j - m_i)(x_j - m_i)^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbb{1} \{y_j = i\} .$$
 (51)

- Remarks:
  - $N^{-1}S_W$ : empirical covariance for the  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$  within class.
  - It is implicitly assumed that the covariances of two classes are the same.
  - s is sometimes called scatter.

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 (52)

 Based on these quantities, we can seek the projection which maximizes the separation between the projected means and with smallest scatter:

$$J(w) = (w^{\mathrm{T}}(m_1 - m_0))^2 / s^2 = \frac{w^{\mathrm{T}} S_B w}{w^{\mathrm{T}} S_W w}, \qquad (53)$$

with  $N^{-1} {m S}_B = (m_1 - m_0) (m_1 - m_0)^{
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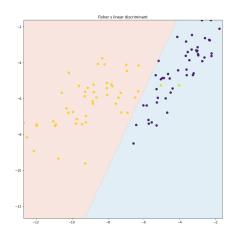
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•  $\nabla J(w)=0$  implies that there exist  $a_1,a_2,a_3\in\mathbb{R}$  such that

Conclusion: 
$$\hat{w} \propto S_W^{-1}(m_1 - m_0)$$
. (55)

Maximizer by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality!

# Example: Fisher DA



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- This gives rise to the joint model and the likelihood

$$L(w; \mathcal{D}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N} \{ p_w(x_i|y_i) q_{y_i} \}.$$
 (56)

ullet In what follows, w is then estimated by maximum likelihood estimation:

$$\hat{w} \in \operatorname*{argmax}_{w} L(w; \mathcal{D}) . \tag{57}$$

The prediction is then:

$$y_{\text{pred}} = \underset{k \in Y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{P}_{\hat{w}}(Y = k | X = x_{\text{new}}) = \underset{k \in Y}{\operatorname{argmax}} [q_k p_{\hat{w}}(x_{\text{new}} | k)]. \quad (58)$$

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- Crude modeling for  $\mathbb{P}_w(X|Y)$ ;
- Feature independence assumption;
- Simple featurewise model: binomial if binary, multinomial if finite and Gaussian if continuous.
- If all features are continuous, the law of X given Y is Gaussian with a diagonal covariance matrix!

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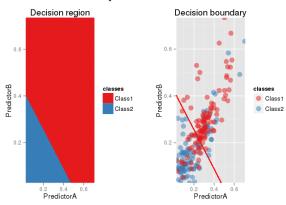
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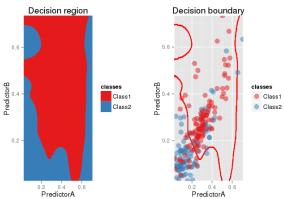
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# Kernel density estimate based Naive Bayes

#### Naive Bayes with kernel density estimates



• In this experiment,  $\mathbb{P}(X^{(i)} \in \cdot | Y = k)$  or more exactly the densities  $p(\cdot)$  for  $k \in Y$  are estimated by kernel density estimation and used to obtain a classifier:

$$y_{\text{pred}} = \underset{k \in Y}{\operatorname{argmax}} [q_k \hat{\rho}(x_{\text{new}}|k)] . \tag{61}$$

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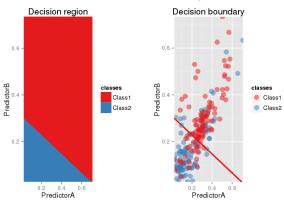
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- For any  $k \in Y$ , linear discriminant analysis (QDA):

$$\mathbb{P}_{w}(X \in |Y = k) = \mathsf{N}(\mu_{k}, \Sigma) . \tag{62}$$

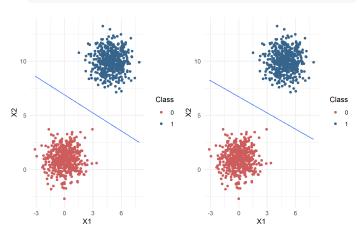
- Here the parameter  $w = (\{\mu_k\}_{k=1}^K, \Sigma)$ .
- MLE?
- K = 2, then the decision boundary is an affine hyperplane.





## Example: LDA

```
boundary_true_parameters = function(x, mu0, mu1, Sigma, pi0){
  u = t(as.matrix(mu1-mu0)) %*% inv(Sigma)
  v = (u %*% (matrix(x - ((mu1+mu0)/2)) )) - log(pi0/(1-pi0))
  return(as.numeric(v))
}
```



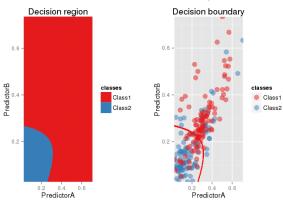
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- Other models for  $\{\mathbb{P}_w(X \in |Y = k) : w \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  in the case  $X = \mathbb{R}^d$ .
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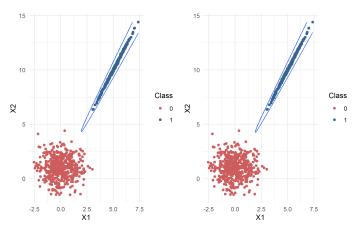
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- MLE?





### Example: QDA



# Further reading

- Relation between Fisher's DA and least squares [Bis07, Section 4.1.5].
- Fisher's discriminant for multiple classes [Bis07, Section 4.1.6].
- Probabilistic generative models, discrete features/Exponential family [Bis07, Section 4.2.3, 4.2.4].

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