

## Classification

Goal: Predict  $Y \in G$  from  $\vec{x}$   
discrete set

## Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)

We will assume

$$X|Y=1 \sim f_1(x)$$

$$X|Y=2 \sim f_2(x)$$

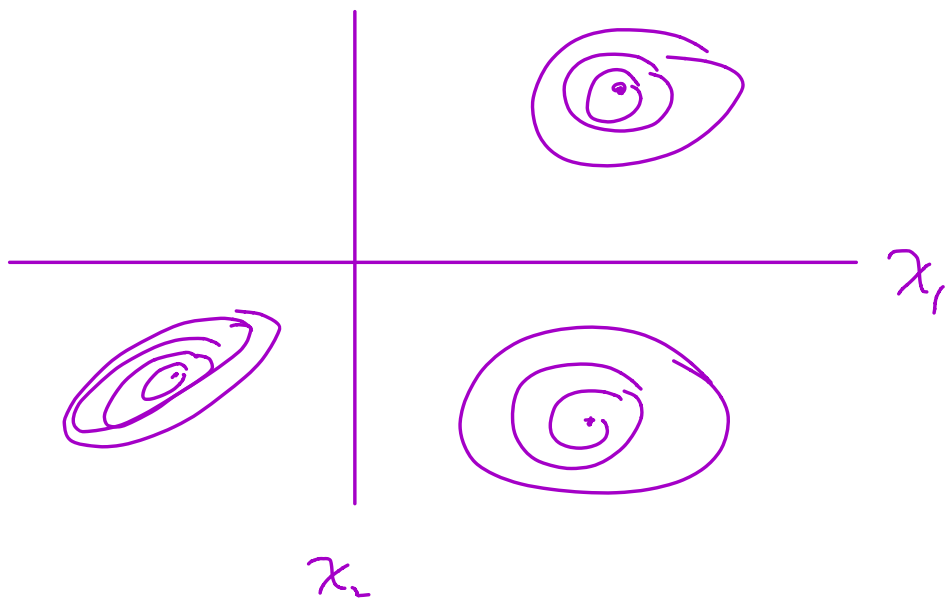
$$\vdots$$
$$X|Y=K \sim f_K(x)$$

$$P(Y=k|X=x) = \frac{P(X=x|Y=k) P(Y=k)}{P(X=x)}$$

$$= \frac{P(X=x|Y=k) P(Y=k)}{\sum_{k=1}^K P(X=x|Y=k) P(Y=k)}$$

$$l=1$$

$$= \frac{f_k(x) \pi_k}{\sum_{l=1}^K f_l(x) \pi_l}$$



Classification rule:  $\hat{y} = \underset{k}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_k(x) \pi_k$

Consider the likelihood ratio

$$\frac{P(y=k|x=x)}{P(y=l|x=x)} = \frac{f_k(x) \pi_k}{f_l(x) \pi_l}$$

$$P(Y=1|X=x)$$

$$f_1(x) \pi_1$$

and the log-odds follows as

$$\log \frac{P(Y=1|X=x)}{P(Y=0|X=x)} = \log \frac{f_1(x) \pi_1}{f_0(x) \pi_0}$$

$$= \log \frac{f_1(x)}{f_0(x)} + \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_0}$$

= Assuming each density has a common variance in the MVN

$$= \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_0} - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1 + \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_0) + x^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_0)$$

\* linear in  $x$

\* Decision boundary

$$\{x: P(G=k|x=x) = P(G=j|x=x)\}$$

is linear in  $x$  and in

$P$  dimensional space.

Define the linear discriminant function

$$\delta_k(x) = x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k + \log \pi_k$$

is equivalent to the decision

rule

$$\hat{y} = \underset{k}{\operatorname{argmax}} \delta_k(x)$$

## Connection to linear models

$$\log \frac{P(Y=1|X=x)}{P(Y=2|X=x)} = \underbrace{\log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2} - \frac{1}{2} (\mu_1 + \mu_2)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}_{\beta_0} + x^T \underbrace{\Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}_{\beta_1}$$

So the decision rule is based  
on this linear function

