

## More Anisotropic Gaussians

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^d |\Sigma|}} e^{\underbrace{-(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)}_{q(x)}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{r(q(x))}$$

note:  $|\Sigma| = \det(\Sigma)$

$q(x) : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , quadratic

$$\Sigma = V \Lambda V^T \quad \Lambda_{ii} = \sigma_i^2$$

↑  
eigenvalues of  $\Sigma$  are variances along eigenvectors

$$\Sigma^{1/2} = V \Lambda^{1/2} V^T \quad \text{maps spheres to ellipsoids}$$

↑  
standard deviations (widths of ellipsoids)

$$q(x) = (x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x-\mu)$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = V \Lambda^{-1} V^T \quad (\text{precision matrix})$$

## Maximum Likelihood estimation for Anisotropic Gaussians

pts.  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  classes  $y_1, \dots, y_n$ .

$$\hat{\Sigma}_c = \frac{1}{n_c} \sum_{i: y_i=c} (x_i - \hat{\mu}_c)(x_i - \hat{\mu}_c)^T \Leftarrow \text{conditional covariance for pts. in class } c$$

$\hat{\pi}_c, \hat{\mu}_c$ : same as before  $\mid \hat{\Sigma}_c \geq 0$  (true cov. is PD - no 0 variance dims)

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_c \sum_{i: y_i=c} (x_i - \hat{\mu}_c)(x_i - \hat{\mu}_c)^T \Leftarrow \text{pooled within class covariance matrix}$$

## QDA

→ choose  $C$  that maximizes  $f(X=x | C=c) \pi_c$  is equivalent to maximizing the quadratic discriminant fn.

$$Q_c(x) = \ln \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^2 f_c(x) \pi_c \right] \quad \text{Multi-variate gaussian pdf}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_c)^T \Sigma_c^{-1} (x - \mu_c) - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Sigma_c| + \ln \pi_c$$

2 classes: Decision fn  $Q_c(x) - Q_0(x)$  is quadratic, but may be indefinite  $\Rightarrow$  Bayes boundary quadratic

$$P(Y=c | X=x) = s(Q_c(x) - Q_0(x)) : s(\cdot) \text{ is logistic fn}$$

## LDA

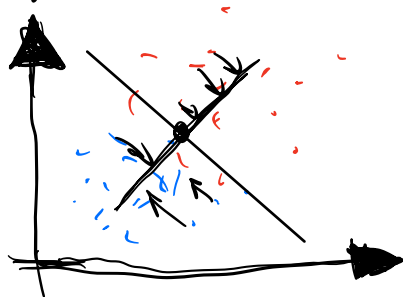
One  $\Sigma$  for all classes

$$Q_c(x) - Q_0(x) = \underbrace{(\mu_c - \mu_0)^T \Sigma^{-1} x}_{w^T x} - \underbrace{\frac{\mu_c^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_c - \mu_0^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_0}{2}}_{\alpha} + \ln \pi_c - \ln \pi_0$$

Choose class  $C$  that maximizes  $\mu_c^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_c - \frac{1}{2} \mu_c^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_c + \ln \pi_c$

$$2 \text{ classes: } w^T x + \alpha = 0 \quad ; \quad P(Y=c | X=x) = S(w^T x + \alpha)$$

- LDA  $\rightarrow$  project pts onto line and cut in half



for 2 classes:

- LDA has  $d+1$  parameters  $(w, \alpha)$
- QDA has  $\frac{d(d+3)}{2} + 1$  parameters
- QDA likely to overfit, LDA to underfit
- validation
- with added features, LDA can give non linear boundaries; QDA nonnegative
- can't get true decision boundary (b/c MLE)
- real data may not be perfectly Gaussian (prob not actually)

### Terminology

Let  $X$  be  $n \times d$ , sample pts. one row (design matrix)

Each row  $i$  of  $X$  is a sample pt.  $X_i^T$ .

Centering  $X$ :  $X \rightarrow \dot{X}$  ( $- \bar{X}^T$  every row)

Let  $R$  be uniform dist on sample pts. Sample cov matrix

$$\text{Var}(R) = \frac{1}{n} \dot{X}^T \dot{X} \leftarrow \text{Centered } X$$

decorrelating  $\dot{X}$ :  $Z = \dot{X} V$ ,  $\text{Var}(R) = V \Delta V^T$

$$\text{Var}(Z) = \Delta$$

Sphering  $\tilde{X}$  :  $W = X \text{Var}(R)^{-1/2}$

Whitening  $\tilde{X}$  : center + sphere  $X \rightarrow W$

$\hookrightarrow W$  has cov. matrix  $I$