

Homework 4 ISLR Questions

4.8.3

Prove that Bayes' classifier is not linear, but quadratic.

$$\text{Bayes Theorem: } \Pr(Y=k | X=x) = \frac{\pi_k f_k(x)}{\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i f_i(x)} = p_k(x)$$

Take natural log on both side of equation

$$\log(\pi_k) + \log(f_k(x)) - \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i f_i(x)\right) = \log(p_k(x))$$

Since $f_k(x)$ by definition is the density function (ISLR 4.16)

$$\begin{aligned} \log(f_k(x)) &= -\log(\sigma_k \sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{(x - \mu_k)^2}{2\sigma_k^2} \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{Simplify}} \frac{x^2 - 2x\mu_k + \mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{2\sigma_k^2} - \frac{x\mu_k}{\sigma_k^2} + \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} \\ &\downarrow \\ &= -\log(\sigma_k \sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{x^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + \frac{x\mu_k}{\sigma_k^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} \end{aligned}$$

Put $\log(f_k(x))$ back into original equation:

$$\log(p_k(x)) = \log(\pi_k) + \left(-\log(\sigma_k \sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{x^2}{2\sigma_k^2} + \frac{x\mu_k}{\sigma_k^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2}\right) - \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i f_i(x)\right)$$

Move terms around and it's a quadratic equation:

$$\log(p_k(x)) = \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_k^2}\right)x^2 + \left(\frac{\mu_k}{\sigma_k^2}\right)x - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2} - \log \sigma_k + \log \sqrt{2\pi} + \log(\pi_k) - \log\left(\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i f_i(x)\right)$$

4.8.7

Mean value for "Yes" = 10, mean value for "No" = 0. $\sigma^2 = 36$. 80% issue dividend.

Predict probability that a company will issue dividend this year that its percentage profit was $X=4$ last year.

Assume $k=1$ for "Yes", $\mu_1 = 10$, $\sigma^2 = 36$, $\pi_1 = 0.8$

$k=2$ for "No", $\mu_2 = 0$, $\sigma^2 = 36$, $\pi_2 = 1 - 0.8 = 0.2$

$$\Pr(Y=1 | X=4) = p_1(4)$$

Plugging $f_k(x)$ equation into Bayes gives: (ISLR 4.17)

$$\begin{aligned} p_k(x) &= \frac{\pi_k \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_k \sqrt{2\pi}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_k^2}(x - \mu_k)^2}}{\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_i \sqrt{2\pi}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_i^2}(x - \mu_i)^2}} \\ p_1(4) &= \frac{(\pi_1) \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2}(4 - \mu_1)^2}}{(\pi_1) \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2}(4 - \mu_1)^2} + (\pi_2) \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_2^2}(4 - \mu_2)^2}} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in numbers:

$$p_1(4) = \frac{(0.8) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{36} \times 6}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2(36)}(4 - 10)^2}}{(0.8) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{36} \times 6}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2(36)}(4 - 10)^2} + 0.2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{36} \times 6}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2(36)}(4 - 0)^2}}$$

$$p_1(4) \approx \frac{(0.8)(0.0064)(0.60653)}{(0.8)(0.0064)(0.00653) + (0.2)(0.0064)(0.80073)} \approx 0.75185 \approx 0.7519$$

There is a 75.19% chance that a company will issue dividend given $X=4$ profit.