

For case of LDA (linear discriminant analysis)

$X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$ is drawn from a multivariate normal distribution.

$X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$. Here $E(X) = \mu$ is the mean of X , and $\text{Cov}(X) = \Sigma$ is the $p \times p$ covariance matrix of X . The multivariate normal density is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right).$$

$Y = 1, 2, \dots, K$ class. $\pi_k = p(Y = k)$, $\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k = 1$

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_k)\right)$$

Posterior probability of $Y = k$

$$p_k(x) = P(Y = k | X = x) = \frac{\pi_k f_k(x)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l f_l(x)} \propto \pi_k f_k(x)$$

$\log p_k(x)$

$$= \log \pi_k + \log f_k(x)$$

$$= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2}(x - \mu_k)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu_k) + \text{const.}$$

$$= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2}\{x^T \Sigma^{-1} x - x^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k - \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k\} + \text{const.}$$

$$= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2}\{x^T \Sigma^{-1} x - 2\mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k\} + \text{const.}$$

$$= \log \pi_k + \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma^{-1} \mu_k$$

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

Data (y_i, x_i) , $i = 1, \dots, n$, where $x_i = (x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ip})^T$

The Bayes classifier for LDA = $\hat{\delta}_k(x) = \log \hat{\pi}_k + \hat{\mu}_k^T \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mu}_k^T \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} \hat{\mu}_k$

Where

$$\hat{\pi}_k = \frac{n_k}{n}, n_k = \sum_{i, y_i=k} 1_{\{\text{no of samples in class } K\}}$$

$$\hat{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{i, y_i=k} x_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\Sigma}_k &= \frac{1}{n_k - 1} (x_i - \hat{\mu}_k)(x_i - \hat{\mu}_k)^T \\ &= \frac{1}{n_k - 1} \sum_{i, y_i=k} \begin{pmatrix} (x_{i1} - \hat{\mu}_{k1})^2 & \cdots & (x_{i1} - \hat{\mu}_{k1})(x_{ip} - \hat{\mu}_{kp}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ (x_{i1} - \hat{\mu}_{k1})(x_{ip} - \hat{\mu}_{kp}) & \cdots & (x_{i1} - \hat{\mu}_{kp})^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \hat{\Sigma} &= \frac{1}{n - k} \sum_{n=k}^K (n_k - 1) \hat{\Sigma}_k\end{aligned}$$

For the case of QDA (quadratic discriminant analysis)

$$\begin{aligned}f_k(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{p/2} |\Sigma_k|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)\right) \\ P_k(x) &= P(Y = k | X = x) = \frac{\pi_k f_k(x)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l f_l(x)} \propto \pi_k f_k(x)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\log p_k(x) &= \log(\pi_k) + \log f_k(x) \\ &= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k)^T \Sigma_k^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_k) + \text{const.} \\ &= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2} \{x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x - x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k - \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k\} + \text{const.} \\ &= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - \frac{1}{2} \{x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x - 2\mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k\} + \text{const.} \\ &= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k + \text{const.} \\ \delta_k(x) &= \log \pi_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\Sigma_k| - x^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x + \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \mu_k^T \Sigma_k^{-1} \mu_k\end{aligned}$$

The Bayes classifier for QDA

$$= \hat{\delta}_k(x) = \log \hat{\pi}_k - \frac{1}{2} \log |\hat{\Sigma}_k| - x^T \hat{\Sigma}_k^{-1} x + \hat{\mu}_k^T \hat{\Sigma}_k^{-1} x - \frac{1}{2} \hat{\mu}_k^T \hat{\Sigma}_k^{-1} \hat{\mu}_k$$

Because of the term $x^T \hat{\Sigma}_k^{-1} x$, the Bayes' classifier is not linear and it is exact quadratic.