Machine Learning
Exercise Sheet 5

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Linear discriminant analysis (5 points)

Scientists compared the soil of Iowa to the other soil, which contains a certain bacterium (class 1) and does not contain bacterium (class 2), respectively. At the same time they observed the variables x_1 (pH-value) und x_2 (nitrogen content). Given the number of the instances per class, the mean of the vectors and the covariance matrices for the two types of soils as the following:

$$n_1 = 13, \qquad n_2 = 10$$
$$\mathbf{m}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 7.8 \\ 45 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{m}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 5.9 \\ 20.8 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{S}_{V1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 4.5 \\ 4.5 & 147.2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S}_{V2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 24.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

a) Develop the discriminant functions for the both classes.

b) Allocate the observation $x = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 52.5 \end{pmatrix}^T$ to one of the two classes.

c) Is it about linear or quadratic discriminant analysis? Name the difference between LDA and QDA.

Data import in R (2 points)

Read capitals 6 and 7 from „An Introduction to R“.

a) What is the difference between a list and an array in R? Name the three possibilities that how they can be accessed over the components of a list. Why are *data frames* especially important constructs in R?

b) Download the data Wein from the *UCI Machine Learning Repository* (`http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Wine`) and load it in R.

LDA and QDA in R (3 points)

Load the library *MASS* with `library(MASS)`. Create two classification models, which determines the first variable as target variable (class) and the remaining variables as predictor variables: Linear discriminant analysis (`lda`) and quadratic discriminant analysis (`qda`). The functions `lda` and `qda` would be similar as `lm` and `glm`, e.g. `glm(Survived ~, data=Titanic, family=binomial)` for a logistic regression over the dataset *Titanic* included in R.

a) If you call `lda` and `qda` with the parameter `CV=1`, you get a prediction for each entry in your dataset: `result <- qda(Survived ~, data=Titanic, CV=1)`. Compare the methods LDA and QDA, so that you adjust `result$class` with the first column of the dataset for each time.

b) Why can't you establish just a logistic regression model for the dataset Wein? Give reasons.