

Cellwise robust regularized discriminant analysis

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Quadratic discriminant analysis (QDA) :

$$\max_k \left(-(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^T \boldsymbol{\Theta}_k (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_k) + \log(\det \boldsymbol{\Theta}_k) + 2 \log \pi_k \right)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_k := \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}$

Linear discriminant analysis (LDA) :

Homoscedasticity : $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_k = \boldsymbol{\Theta} \quad \forall k$

Discriminant analysis

In practice, the parameters μ_k , Θ_k or Θ are often estimated by

the sample means $\bar{x}_k$

the inverse of the sample covariance matrices $\hat{\Sigma}_k$

the inverse of the sample pooled covariance matrix $\hat{\Sigma}_{\text{pool}} = \frac{1}{N-K} \sum_{k=1}^K n_k \hat{\Sigma}_k$

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$\hat{\Sigma}_{\text{pool}}^{-1}$ inaccurate when p/N is large, not computable when $p > N$

Objectives

Propose a family of discriminant methods that, unlike the classical approach, are

- ① computable and accurate in high dimension
- ② cover the path between LDA and QDA
- ③ robust against cellwise outliers

1. Computable in high dimension

Graphical Lasso QDA (Xu et al., 2014)

Step 1 : Compute the sample means $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_k$ and covariance matrices $\hat{\Sigma}_k$

Step 2 : *Graphical Lasso* (Friedman et al, 2008) to estimate $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K$:

$$\arg \max_{\Theta_k} n_k \log \det(\Theta_k) - n_k \text{tr} \left(\Theta_k \hat{\Sigma}_k \right) - \lambda_1 \sum_{i \neq j} |\theta_{k,ij}|$$

Step 3 : Plug $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \dots, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_K$ and $\hat{\Theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\Theta}_K$ into the quadratic rule

Note : Use pooled covariance matrix for Graphical Lasso LDA.



QDA does not exploit similarities

LDA ignores the group specificities

2. Covering path between LDA and QDA

Joint Graphical Lasso DA (Price et al., 2015)

Step 1 : Compute the sample means $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_k$ and covariance matrices $\hat{\Sigma}_k$

Step 2 : *Joint Graphical Lasso* (Danaher et al, 2014) to estimate $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K$:

$$\max_{\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K} \sum_{k=1}^K n_k \log \det(\Theta_k) - n_k \text{tr}(\Theta_k \hat{\Sigma}_k) - \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \neq j} |\theta_{k,ij}| - \lambda_2 \sum_{k < k'} \sum_{i,j} |\theta_{k,ij} - \theta_{k',ij}|,$$

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Lack of robustness

3. Robustness against cellwise outliers

Robust Joint Graphical Lasso DA

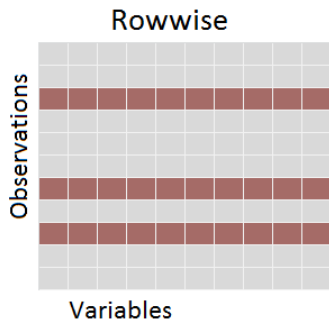
Step 1 : Compute *robust* mean $\mathbf{m}_k$ and covariance matrix $\mathbf{S}_k$ estimates

Step 2 : Joint Graphical Lasso to estimate $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K$

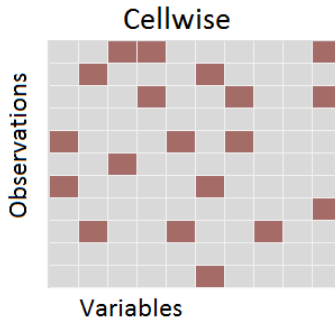
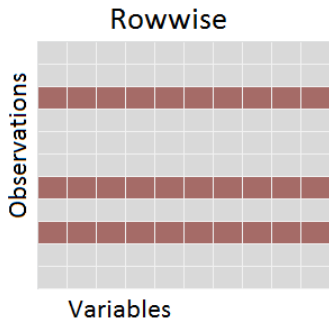
$$\max_{\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K} \sum_{k=1}^K n_k \log \det(\Theta_k) - n_k \text{tr}(\Theta_k \mathbf{S}_k) - \lambda_1 \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \neq j} |\theta_{k,ij}| - \lambda_2 \sum_{k < k'} \sum_{i,j} |\theta_{k,ij} - \theta_{k',ij}|,$$

Step 3 : Plug $\mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_K$ and $\hat{\Theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\Theta}_K$ into the quadratic discriminant rule.

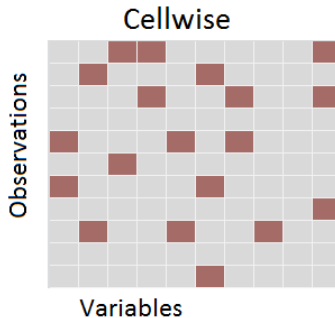
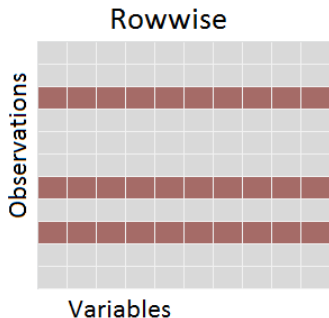
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$\mathbf{m}_k$: vector of marginal medians

$\mathbf{S}_k$: cellwise robust covariance matrices

Cellwise robust covariance estimators

$$\mathbf{S}_k = \begin{pmatrix} s_{11} & \dots & s_{1i} & \dots & s_{1p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ s_{i1} & \dots & s_{ij} & \dots & s_{ip} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ s_{p1} & \dots & s_{pj} & \dots & s_{pp} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s_{ij} = \widehat{\text{scale}}(X^i) \widehat{\text{scale}}(X^j) \widehat{\text{corr}}(X^i, X^j)$$

$\widehat{\text{scale}}(.)$: Q_n -estimator (Rousseeuw and Croux, 1993)

$\widehat{\text{corr}}(.,.)$: Kendall's correlation

$$\widehat{\text{corr}}_K(X^i, X^j) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{l < m} \text{sign} \left((x_l^i - x_m^i)(x_l^j - x_m^j) \right).$$

(see Croux and Öllerer, 2015; Tarr et al., 2016)

Simulation study

Setting

$K = 10$ groups

$n_k = 30$

$p = 30$

$M = 1000$ training and test sets

Classification Performance

Average percentage of correct classification

Estimation accuracy

Average Kullback-Leibler distance :

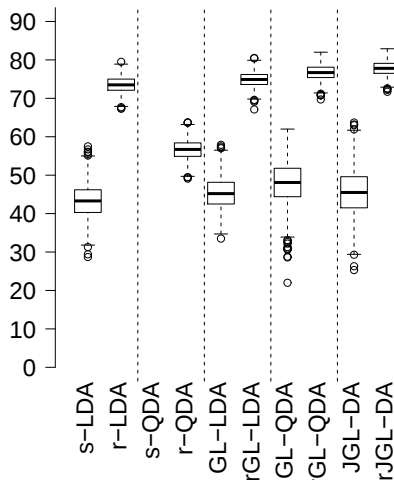
$$\text{KL}(\hat{\Theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\Theta}_K; \Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_K) = \left(\sum_{k=1}^K -\log \det(\hat{\Theta}_k \Theta_k^{-1}) + \text{tr}(\hat{\Theta}_k \Theta_k^{-1}) \right) - Kp.$$

Uncontaminated scheme

Non-robust estimators		s-LDA	s-QDA	GL-LDA	GL-QDA	JGL-DA
$p = 30$	CC	77.7	NA	80.5	83.0	83.5
	KL	30.29	NA	21.87	40.41	5.03
Robust estimators		r-LDA	r-QDA	rGL-LDA	rGL-QDA	rJGL-DA
$p = 30$	CC	76.1	59.7	77.4	79.7	80.1
	KL	22.86	139.18	22.98	44.57	11.02

Contaminated scheme: 5% of cellwise contamination

Correct classification percentages, $p = 30$



Example - Phoneme dataset

$$K = 2$$

$$p = 256$$

$$N = 1717$$

Correct classification performance

s-LDA	s-QDA	GL-LDA	GL-QDA	JGL-DA
77.7	62.4	81.4	74.9	78.4
r-LDA	r-QDA	rGL-LDA	rGL-QDA	rJGL-DA
81.1	74.7	81.7	76.0	76.7

$N_{\text{train}} = 1030$, $N_{\text{test}} = 687$, averaged over 10 splits

Conclusion

The proposed discriminant methods :

- ① are computable in high dimension
- ② cover the path between LDA and QDA
- ③ are robust against cellwise outliers
- ④ detect rowwise and cellwise outliers

Code publicly available

<http://feb.kuleuven.be/ines.wilms/software>

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