Applied Statistics Multivariate analysis



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"Statistics is merely a quantisation of common sense"

MultiVariate Analysis & Fisher Discr.



Separating hypothesis





Problem: You want to figure out a method for getting sample that is 95% male! **Solution**: Gather height data from 10000 people, Estimate cut with 95% purity!



Additional data: The data you find also contains shoe size! How to use this? Well, it is more information, but should you cut on it?



So we look if the data is correlated, and consider the options:

Cut on each var? Poor efficiency! Advanced cut? Clumsy and hard to implement

Combine var? Smart and promising



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Separating Classes/Types

Fisher's friend, Anderson, came home from picking Irises in the Gaspe peninsula...

180 MULTIPLE MEASUREMENTS IN TAXONOMIC PROBLEMS

| Iris setosa | | | | Iris versicolor | | | | Iris virginica | | | |
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| Sepal width | Petal length | Petal width | Sepal length | Sepal width | Petal length | Petal width | Sepal length | Sepal width | Petal length | Petal width | |
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Table I

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deviations within species? The observed means and their differences are shown in Table II.

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Executive summary:

Fisher's Discriminant uses a linear combination of variables to give a single variable with the maximum possible separation (for linear combinations!).



It is for all practical purposes a projection (in a Euclidian space)!



The details of the formula are outlined below:

You have two samples, A and B, that you want to separate.

For each input variable (x), you calculate the mean (μ), and form a vector of these.

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Using the input variables (x), you calculate the covariance matrix (Σ) for each species (A/B), add these and invert.

Given weights (w), you take your input variables (x) and combine them linearly as follows:

F is what you base your decision on.

Selecting signal in 1D



Classical case (signal peak on background)...

Simple enough - we select cases between two values around peak!

Selecting signal in 2D

Now let us try in 2 dimensions (two cases):



While the Fisher Discriminant uses all separations and **linear correlations**, it does not perform optimally, when there are **non-linear correlations** present:

If the PDFs of signal and background are known, then one can **use a likelihood**. But this is **very rarely** the case, and therefore more "tough" methods are needed...

Relation to ML

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The PCA directions constitute an **orthonormal basis**. PCA is the process of computing the principal components and using them to perform a change of basis on the data, often **using only the first few principal components**.

The principal components of data (points in N-dimensional space) are a sequence of unit vectors, where the i-th vector is the direction of a line that best fits the data while being orthogonal to the first i-1 vectors. Here, a best-fitting line is defined as one that minimises the average squared perpendicular distance from the points to the line.



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The PCA transformation is defined as a set of size q of p-dimensional vectors:

$$\vec{w}_{(k)} = (w_1, \dots, w_p)_{(k)}$$

that map each data point to a new vector of principle component "scores", given by: $\vec{t}_{(i)} = (t_1, \dots, w_q)_{(i)} = \vec{x}_{(i)} \cdot \vec{w}_{(k)}$

in such a way that the individual variables of t considered over the data set successively inherit the maximum possible variance from the original data. The PC are calculated as:

$$\vec{w}_1 = \underset{||w||=1}{\operatorname{arg max}} \left[\sum_i (\vec{x}_i \cdot \vec{w})^2 \right]$$

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Shown below is an example of a PCA transformation from 3D to 2D, considering the two PCs with the greatest variance:



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PCA can be used to determine "proximity" in very high dimensional spaces:



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| Adygei | 😑 Jordanian |
| ♦ Armenian | 🔷 Lebanese |
| Balkar | 🔶 Palestinian |
| 🕁 Chechen | 🕁 Saudi |
| ★ Georgian | ★ Syrian |
| + Georgian_Jew | + Yemen |
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| North_Ossetian | 🛑 BedouinB |
| 🔿 Iranian | Canary_Islanders |
| Iranian_Jew | 🔶 Druze |
| 🔷 Mordovian | 🛧 Libyan_Jew |
| Russian | ★ Moroccan_Jew |
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Conclusion:

Use LDA, if you have labelled (training) data and want good classification.

Use PCA, if you don't have data with labels, and want to find structures in data.

The dimensionality reduction of the PCA allows you to **get a visual inspection in 2D!**

