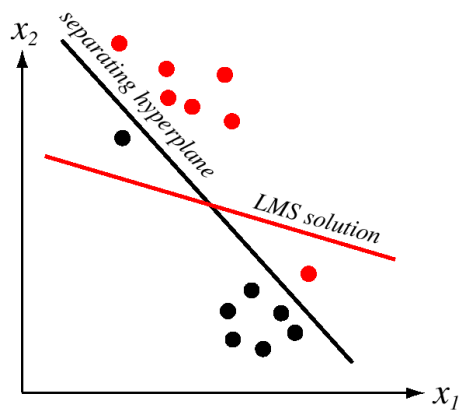


Local methods and simple comparisons

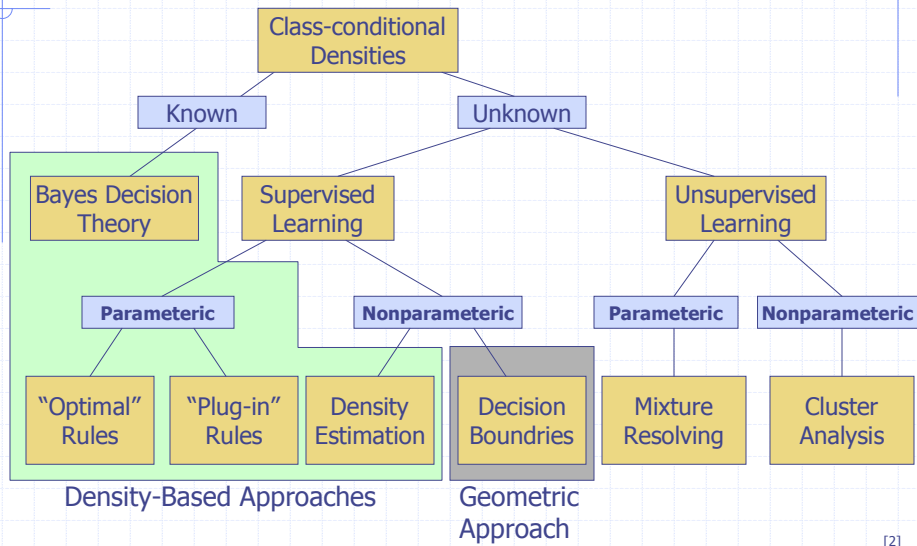
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Remember the bad news...



Sometimes local effects
need to be taken into account.

Various approaches



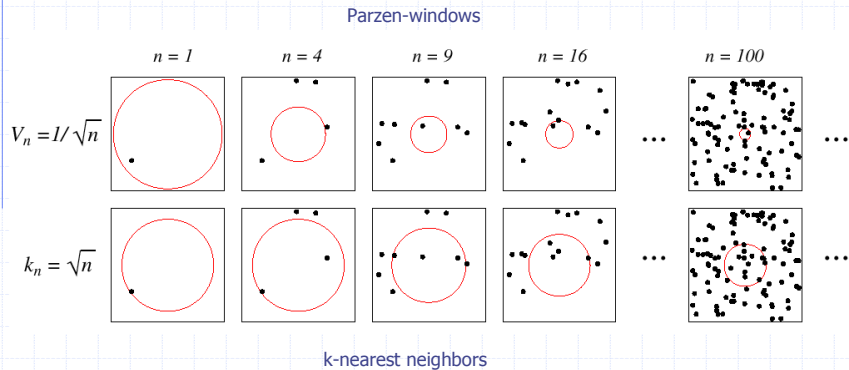
Nonparametric Density Estimates

- ◆ Parametric forms involve a functional form of the density, and fitting parameters of the function via estimation from the sample. Typically, a Gaussian is used:

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi|\Sigma|}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right]$$

- ◆ Non-parametric methods do not use a parametric functional form of the density. Popular versions:
 - Parzen windows or kernel estimate
 - k-nearest neighbor estimate

Leading methods for estimating density at a point



[1]

Bias and Variance of KNN & Parzen

◆ Fukunaga gives the bias and variance of

Parzen $\hat{p}(x) = \frac{\mathbf{k}(x)}{Nv}$ $\text{var}[\hat{p}(x)] \approx \frac{p^2(x)}{k}$

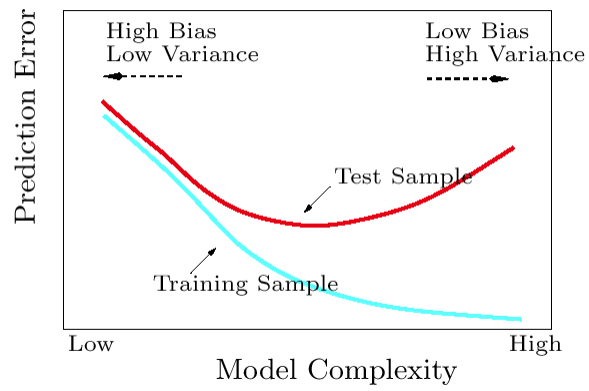
knn $\hat{p}(x) = \frac{(k-1)}{Nv(x)}$ $\text{var}[\hat{p}(x)] \approx \frac{p^2(x)}{k}$

In Parzen windows, $\mathbf{k}(x)$ is a random variable, and v is held fixed.
 In knn, $v(x)$ is a random variable, and k is held fixed.

In both cases, increasing the number of nearest neighbors k used to reduce variance. But this increases v , giving a coarser estimate of $p(x)$ and increasing bias.

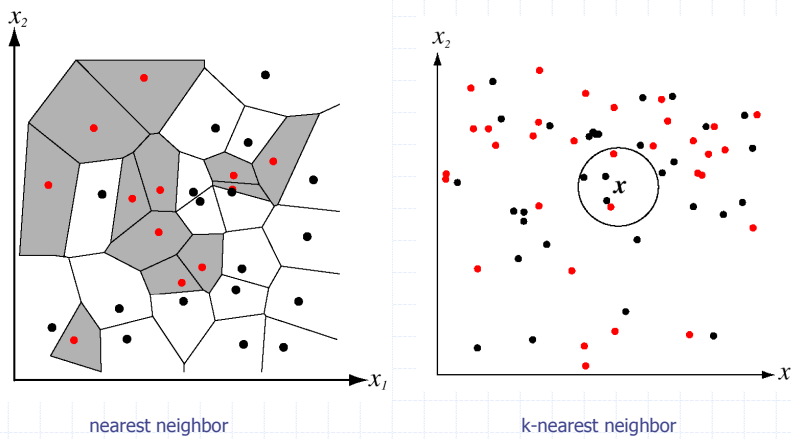
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Bias-Variance Trade Off



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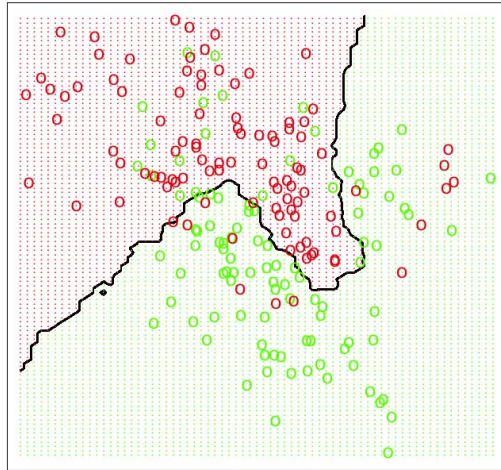
k=1 vs. k-nn



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Nearest Neighbor Example (k=15)

15-Nearest Neighbor Classifier



[3]

Finding an $f(x)$: Nearest Neighbor

- ◆ Nearest Neighbor tries to find $f(x)$ directly from the training data:

$$\hat{f}(x) = \text{Ave}(y_i \mid x_i \in N_k(x))$$

- ◆ Where $N_k(x)$ is the neighborhood containing the k points in T closest to x .
- ◆ Approximations:
 - expectation is approximated by averaging over sample data
 - conditioning at a point is relaxed to conditioning on some region 'close' to the target point.
- ◆ Assumes $f(x)$ is approximated by a locally constant function.

[3]

knn - library function in R

k-nearest neighbor classification for test set from training set. For each row of the test set, the `k` nearest (in Euclidean distance) training set vectors are found, and the classification is decided by majority vote, with ties broken at random. If there are ties for the `k`th nearest vector, all candidates are included in the vote.

Usage: `knn(train, test, cl, k = 1, l = 0, prob = FALSE, use.all = TRUE)`

`train`: matrix or data frame of training set cases.

`test`: matrix or data frame of test set cases. A vector will be interpreted as a row vector for a single case.

`cl`: factor of true classifications of training set

`k`: number of neighbors considered.

`l`: minimum vote for definite decision, otherwise `doubt`. (More precisely, less than `k-l` dissenting votes are allowed, even if `k` is increased by ties.)

`prob`: If this is true, the proportion of the votes for the winning class are returned as attribute `prob`.

`use.all`: controls handling of ties. If true, all distances equal to the `k`th largest are included. If false, a random selection of distances equal to the `k`th is chosen to use exactly `k` neighbors.

Value:

factor of classifications of test set. `doubt` will be returned as `NA`.

[6]

k-nearest neighbors in R

```
p <- as.matrix(Pop[, -3])
tp <- Pop$y

xp <- seq(-6.0, 10.0, length = 10); np <- length(xp)
yp <- seq(-6.0, 10.0, length = 10)

pt <- expand.grid(x1 = xp, x2 = yp) # from library(nnet)

par(mfcol=c(1,2))

Z <- knn(p, pt, tp, k = 1) #from library(class)
decplot(xp, yp, class.ind(Z), "k=1")
```

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Functions in R

```

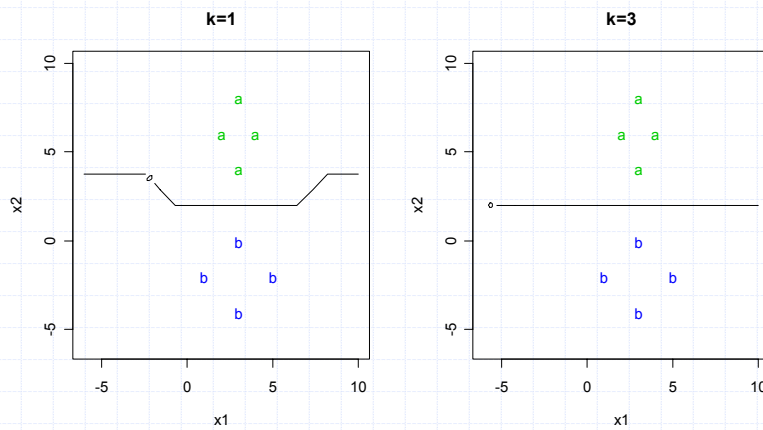
decplot <- function(xp, yp, Z, t)
{
  plot(Pop[, 1], Pop[, 2], xlim=c(-6.0,10), ylim=c(-6,10),
       type = "n", xlab = "x1", ylab = "x2")

  title(t)
  for(il in 1:2) {
    set <- Pop$y==levels(Pop$y)[il]
    text(Pop[set, 1], Pop[set, 2],
         labels = as.character(Pop$y[set]), col = 2 + il) }
  zp <- Z[, 1] - Z[, 2]
  contour(xp, yp, matrix(zp, np), add = T, levels = 0, labex = 0)
  invisible()
}

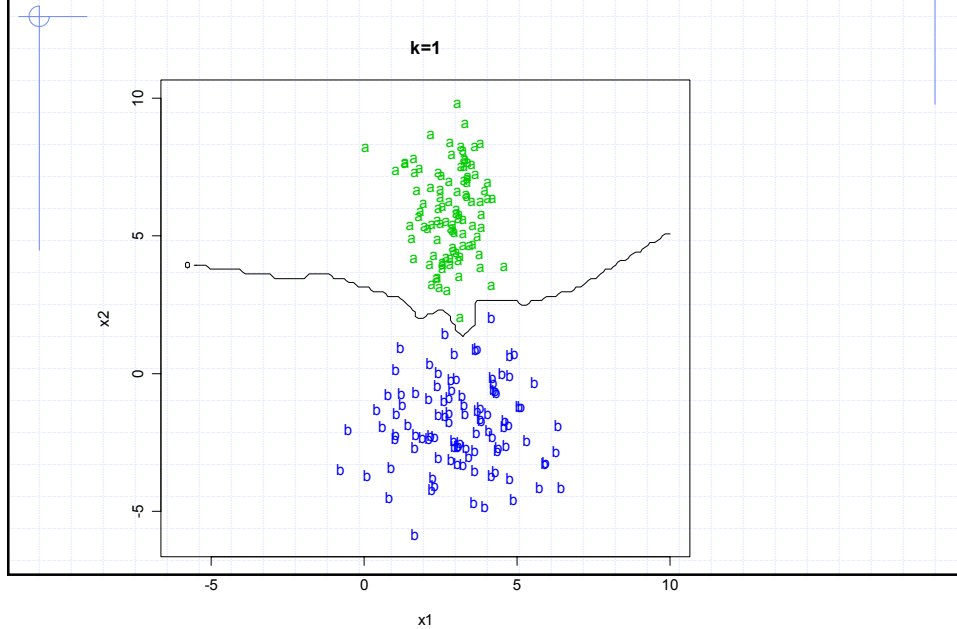
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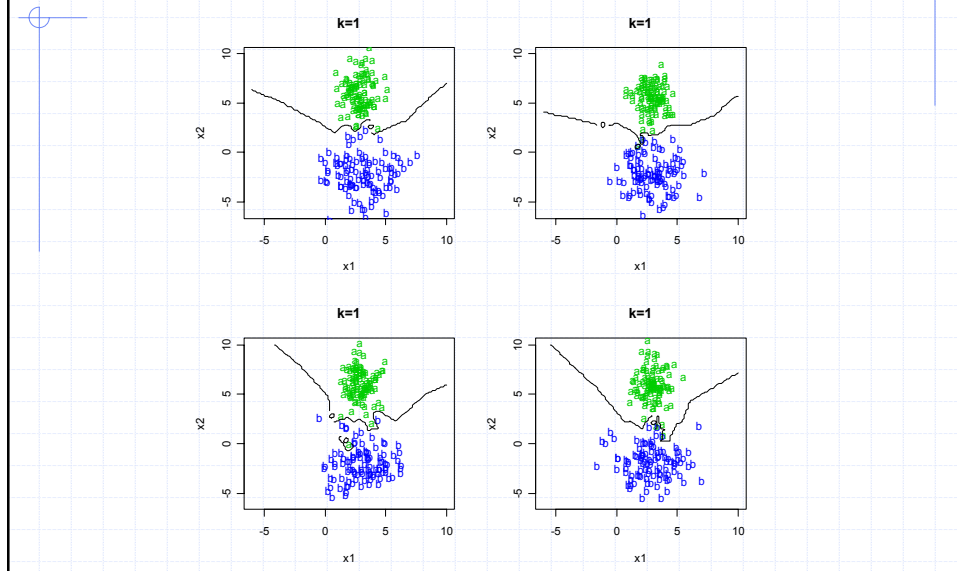
k-nearest neighbors



k=1 : maximize local effects



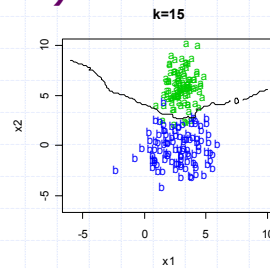
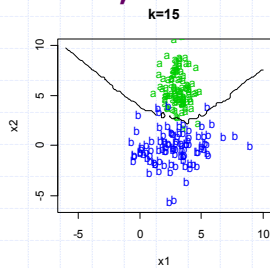
Variance in k = 1



k=15 (ex10a.dat,ex10b.dat)

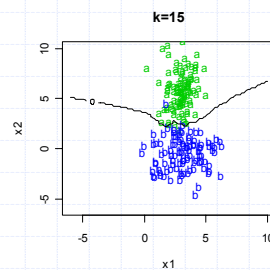
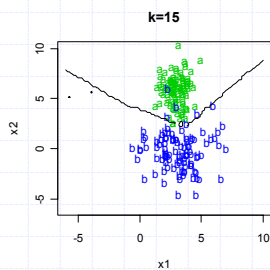
> c1.m

```
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[2,] 0 6
```

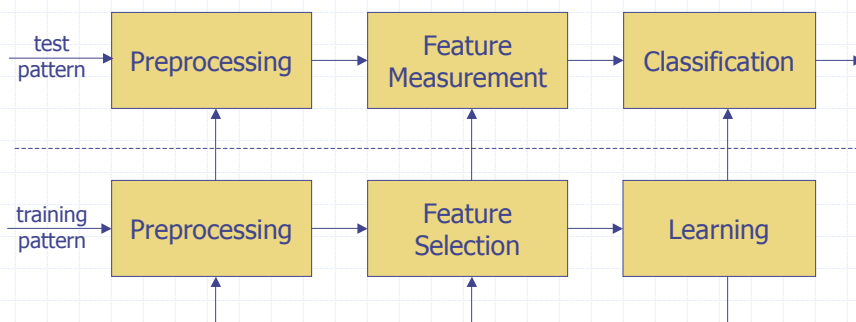


> c2.m

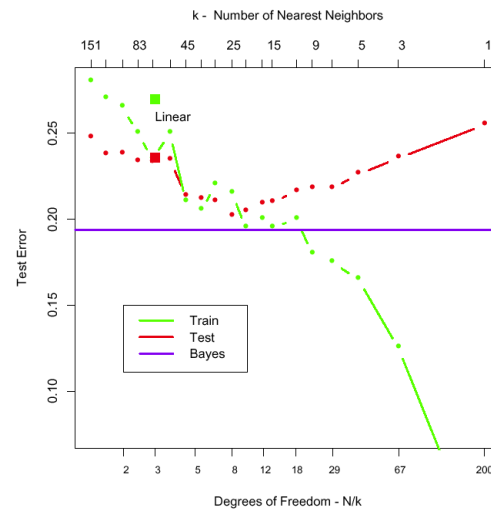
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[,1] [,2]
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[2,] 0 0
```



Model for machine learning

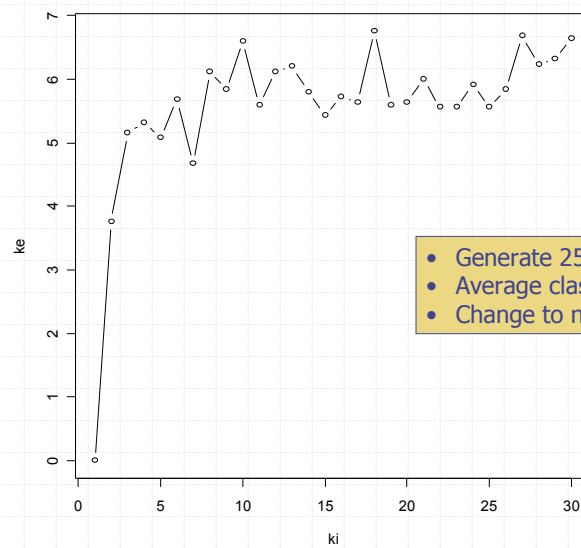


Classification Error



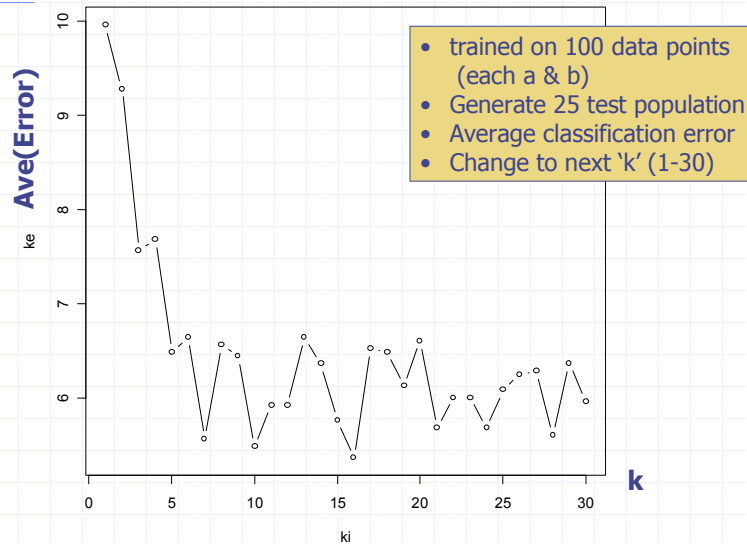
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Bias on training set

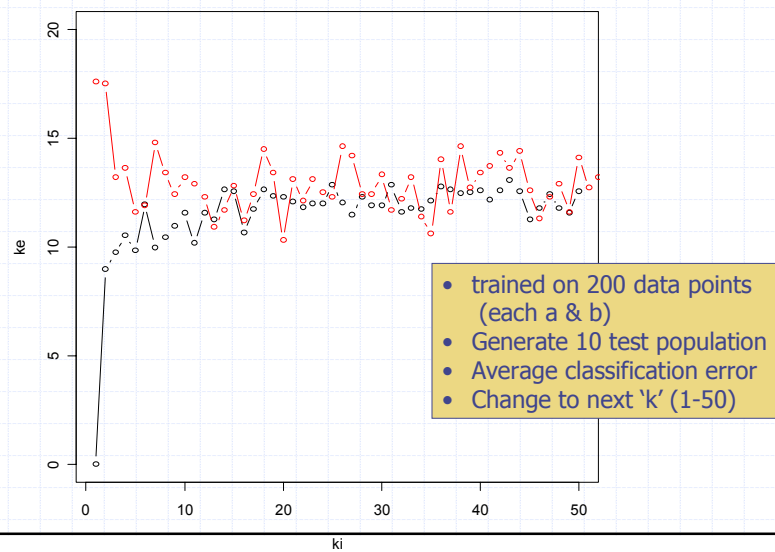


- Generate 25 test populations
- Average classification error
- Change to next 'k' (1-30)

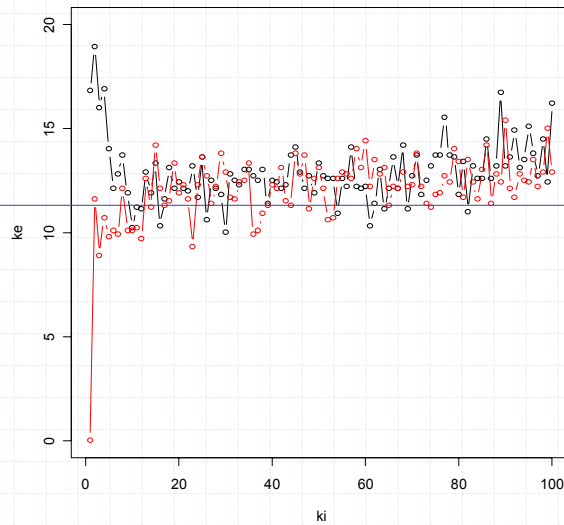
Variance: error by 'k' on Test sets



Mixture of Gaussians should converge on Bayes limit...



Diminishing returns



K-NN and Parzen Density Estimates

- ◆ In the Parzen window (uniform kernel) estimate, kernel volume is fixed and we counted the number of samples falling inside the volume to estimate $p(x)$.
- ◆ In the K-nearest neighbor estimator, we choose a point x at which we wish to estimate the density, and construct the smallest region $L(x)$ that contains k points. Then estimate the density at x as

$$\hat{p}(x) = \frac{k-1}{N V(x)}$$

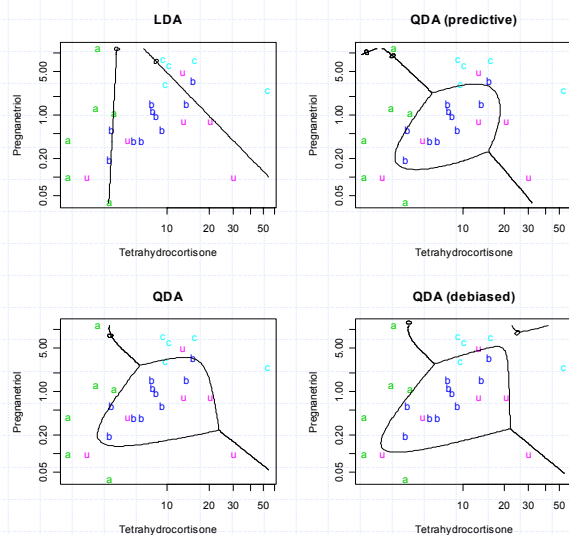
where N is the total number of points, $V(x)$ the volume of the minimal n -dim region containing k points, and the numerator is $k-1$ so that the estimate is roughly unbiased.

If r is the distance from x to the k^{th} nearest neighbor, then we can take $V(x)$ to be the volume inside the n -sphere of radius r

$$V = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{n+2}{2})} r^n$$

where Γ is the Euler gamma function.

Next Time: Multiple classes & Mixtures



[5]

Next Week:

- ◆ Exam-Project Starts Monday
- ◆ Dongmao Zhang (Ben-Amotz Group)

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