

# ETC3250/5250 Introduction to Machine Learning

*Week 4: Logistic regression and discriminant analysis*

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# Overview

We will cover:

- Fitting a categorical response using logistic curves
- Multivariate summary statistics
- Linear discriminant analysis, assuming samples are elliptically shaped and equal in size
- Quadratic discriminant analysis, assuming samples are elliptically shaped and different in size
- Discriminant space: making a low-dimensional visual summary

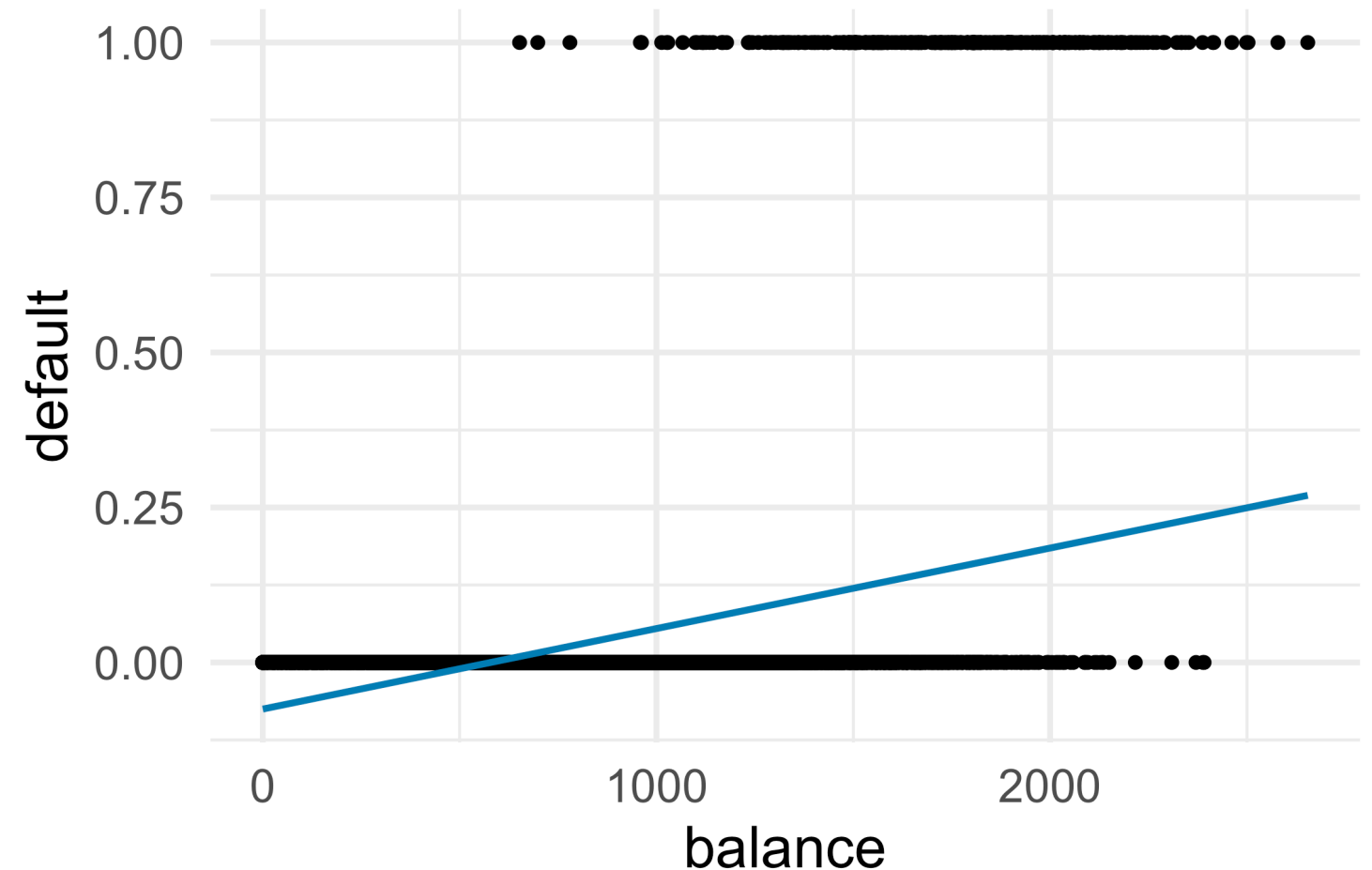
# Logistic regression

# When linear regression is not appropriate

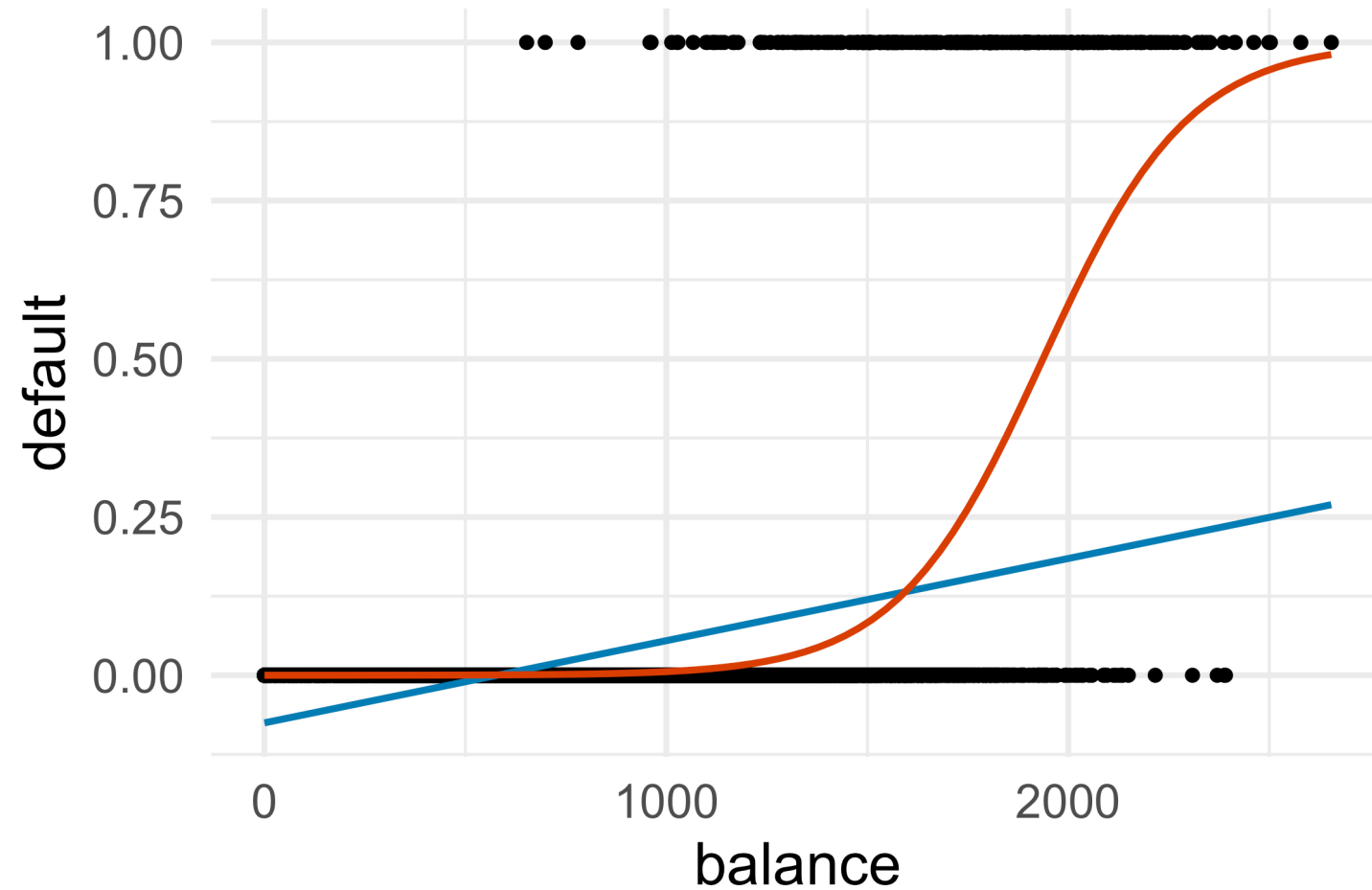
Consider the following data `Default` in the ISLR R package (textbook) which looks at the default status based on credit balance.

```
1 library(ISLR)
2 data(Default)
3 simcredit <- Default |>
4   mutate(default_bin = ifelse(default=="Yes",
```

Why is a linear model less than ideal for this data?



# Modelling binary responses



**Orange line** (logistic model fit) is similar to computing a running average of the 0s/1s. It's much better than the linear fit, because it remains between 0 and 1, and can be interpreted as proportion of 1s.

**What is a logistic function?**

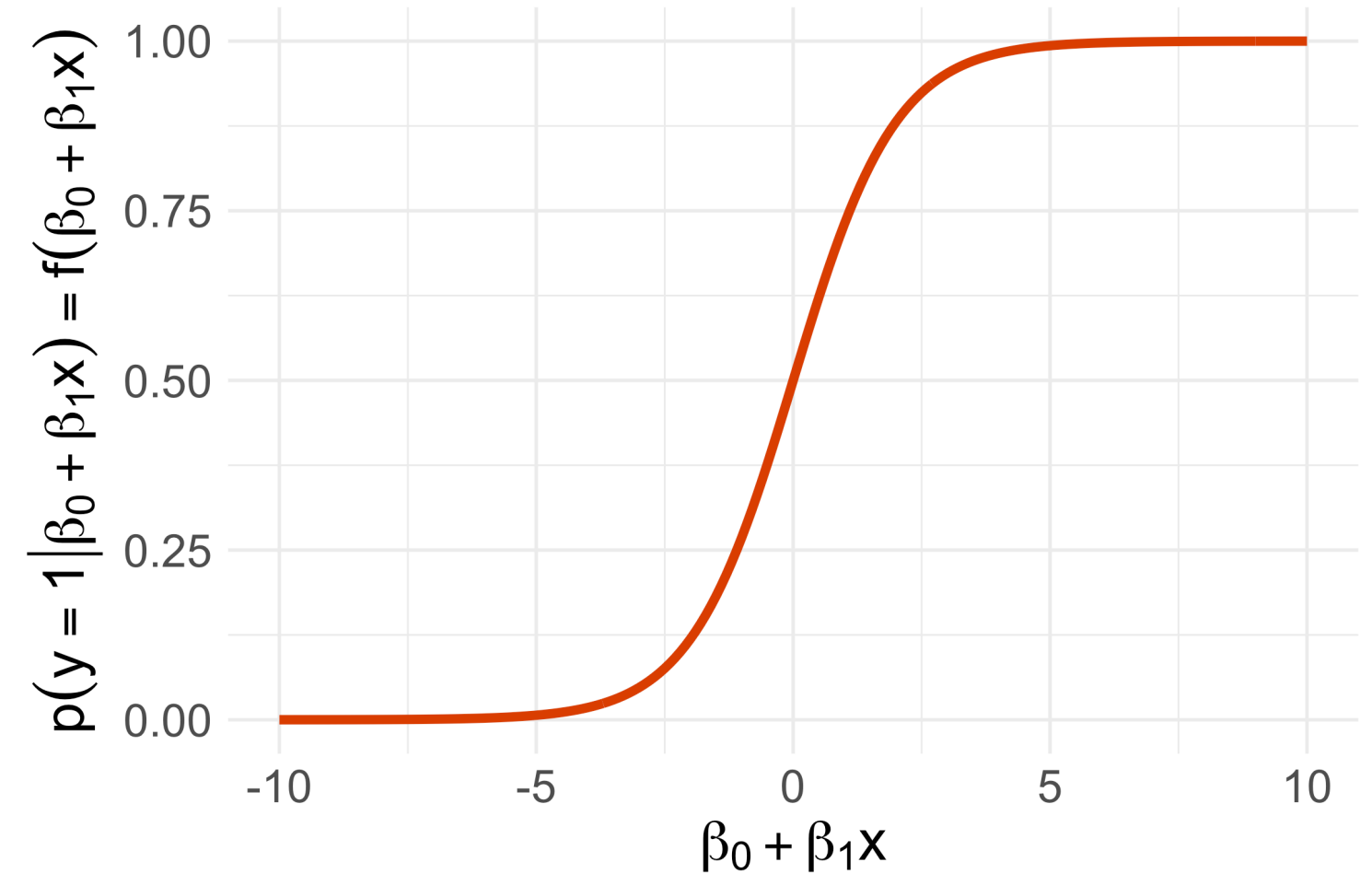
# The logistic function

Instead of predicting the outcome directly, we instead predict the probability of being class 1, given the (linear combination of) predictors, using the **logistic** function.

$$p(y = 1 | \beta_0 + \beta_1 x) = f(x)$$

where

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}$$



# Logistic function

Transform the function:

$$y = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}$$

$$\longrightarrow y = \frac{1}{1/e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} + 1}$$

$$\longrightarrow 1/y = 1/e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} + 1$$

$$\longrightarrow 1/y - 1 = 1/e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{1}{1/y - 1} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{y}{1-y} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}$$

$$\longrightarrow \log_e \frac{y}{1-y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

Transforming the response  $\log_e \frac{y}{1-y}$  makes it possible to use a linear model fit.

The left-hand side,  $\log_e \frac{y}{1-y}$ , is known as the **log-odds ratio** or **logit**.

# The logistic regression model

The fitted model, where  $P(Y = 0|X) = 1 - P(Y = 1|X)$ , is then written as:

$$\log_e \frac{P(Y=1|X)}{1-P(Y=1|X)} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

When there are **more than two** categories:

- the formula can be extended, using dummy variables.
- follows from the above, extended to provide probabilities for each level/category, and the last category is 1-sum of the probabilities of other categories.
- the sum of all probabilities has to be 1.



# Connection to generalised linear models

- To model **binary data**, we need to **link** our **predictors** to our response using a *link function*. Another way to think about it is that we will **transform**  $Y$ , to convert it to a proportion, and then build the linear model on the transformed response.
- There are many different types of link functions we could use, but for a binary response we typically use the **logistic** link function.

# Interpretation

- **Linear regression**

- $\beta_1$  gives the average change in  $Y$  associated with a one-unit increase in  $X$

- **Logistic regression**

- Because the model is not linear in  $X$ ,  $\beta_1$  does not correspond to the change in response associated with a one-unit increase in  $X$ .
- However, increasing  $X$  by one unit changes the log odds by  $\beta_1$ , or equivalently it multiplies the odds by  $e^{\beta_1}$

# Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Given the logistic  $p(x_i) = \frac{1}{e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)} + 1}$  choose parameters  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  to maximize the likelihood:

$$l_n(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i)^{y_i} (1 - p(x_i))^{1-y_i}.$$

It is more convenient to maximize the *log-likelihood*:

$$\begin{aligned} \log l_n(\beta_0, \beta_1) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_i \log p(x_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p(x_i)) \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_i(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) - \log(1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

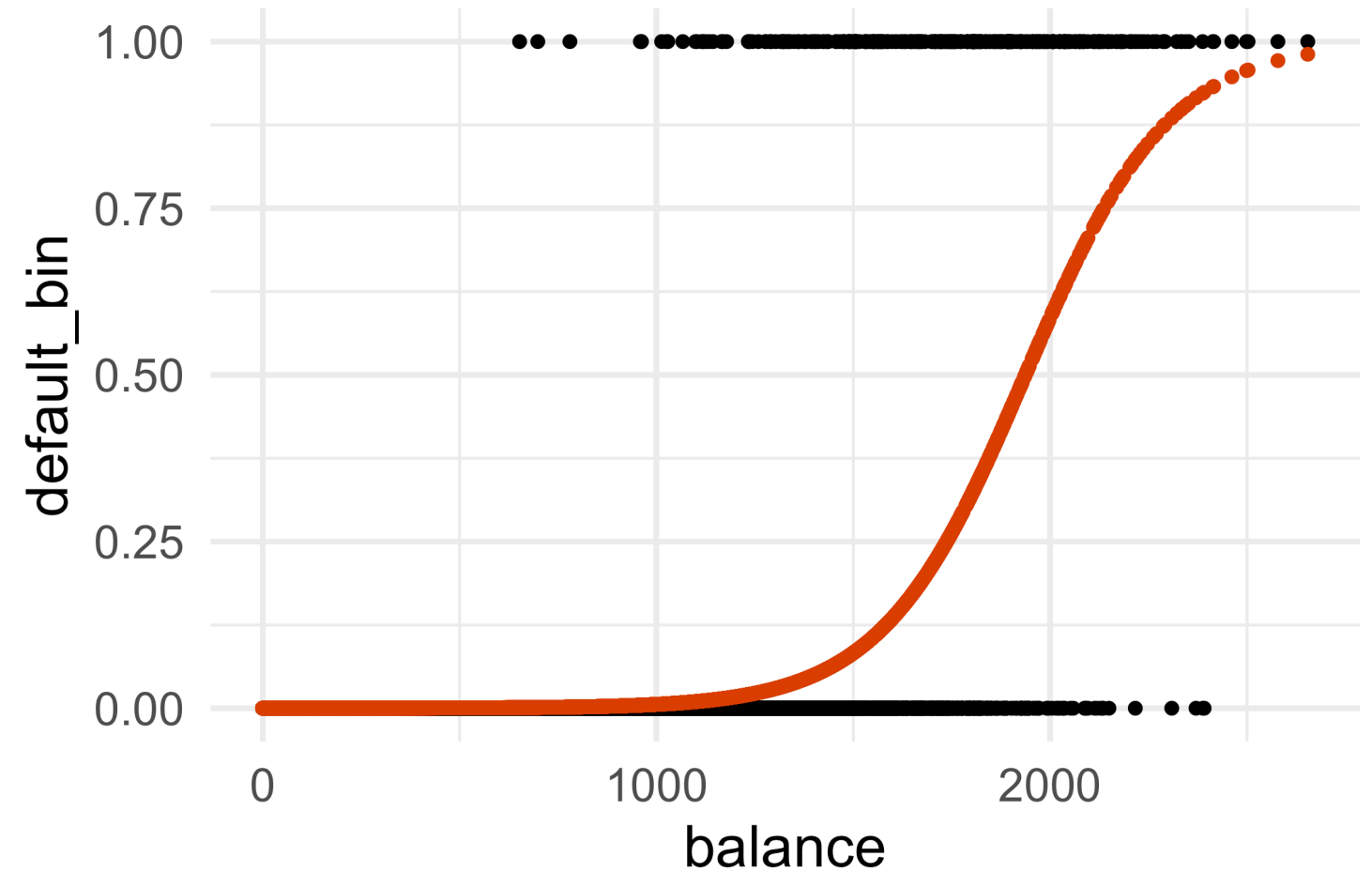
# Making predictions

With estimates from the model fit,  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$ , we can predict the **probability of belonging to class 1** using:

$$p(y = 1 | \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x) = \frac{e^{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x}}{1 + e^{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x}}$$

Round to 0 or 1 for class prediction.

```
1 fit <- glm(default~balance,  
2           data=simcredit, family="binomial")  
3 simcredit_fit <- augment(fit, simcredit,  
4                           type.predict="response")
```



Orange points are fitted values,  $\hat{y}_i$ . Black points are observed response,  $y_i$  (either 0 or 1).

# Fitting credit data in R

We can use the `glm` function in R to fit a logistic regression model. The `glm` function can support many response types, so we specify `family="binomial"` to let R know that our response is *binary*.

```
1 fit <- glm(default~balance,  
2           data=simcredit, family="binomial")  
3 simcredit_fit <- augment(fit, simcredit,  
4                           type.predict="response")
```

Same calculation but written in `tidymodels` style

```
1 logistic_mod <- logistic_reg() |>  
2   set_engine("glm") |>  
3   set_mode("classification") |>  
4   translate()  
5  
6 logistic_fit <-  
7   logistic_mod |>  
8   fit(default ~ balance,  
9       data = simcredit)
```

# Examine the fit

```
1 tidy(logistic_fit)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 × 5
  term          estimate std.error statistic  p.value
<chr>         <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>
1 (Intercept) -10.7       0.361     -29.5 3.62e-191
2 balance      0.00550    0.000220    25.0 1.98e-137
```

```
1 glance(logistic_fit)
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 8
  null.deviance df.null logLik  AIC  BIC deviance
      <dbl>    <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1      2921.    9999  -798. 1600. 1615.  1596.
# i 2 more variables: df.residual <int>, nobs <int>
```

## Parameter estimates

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = -10.65$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.01$$

Can you write out the model?

## Model fit summary

Null model deviance 2920.6 (error for model with no predictors)

Model deviance 1596.5 (error from fitted model)

How good is the model?

# Check the model performance

```
1 simcredit_fit <- augment(logistic_fit, simcred
2 simcredit_fit |>
3   count(default, .pred_class) |>
4   group_by(default) |>
5   mutate(Accuracy = n[.pred_class==default]/su
6   pivot_wider(names_from = ".pred_class", valu
7   select(default, No, Yes, Accuracy)
```

```
# A tibble: 2 × 4
# Groups:   default [2]
  default    No    Yes Accuracy
<fct>    <int> <int>    <dbl>
1 No       9625    42    0.996
2 Yes       233   100    0.300
```

## Compute the balanced accuracy.

Unbalanced data set, with very different performance on each class.

## How good is this model?

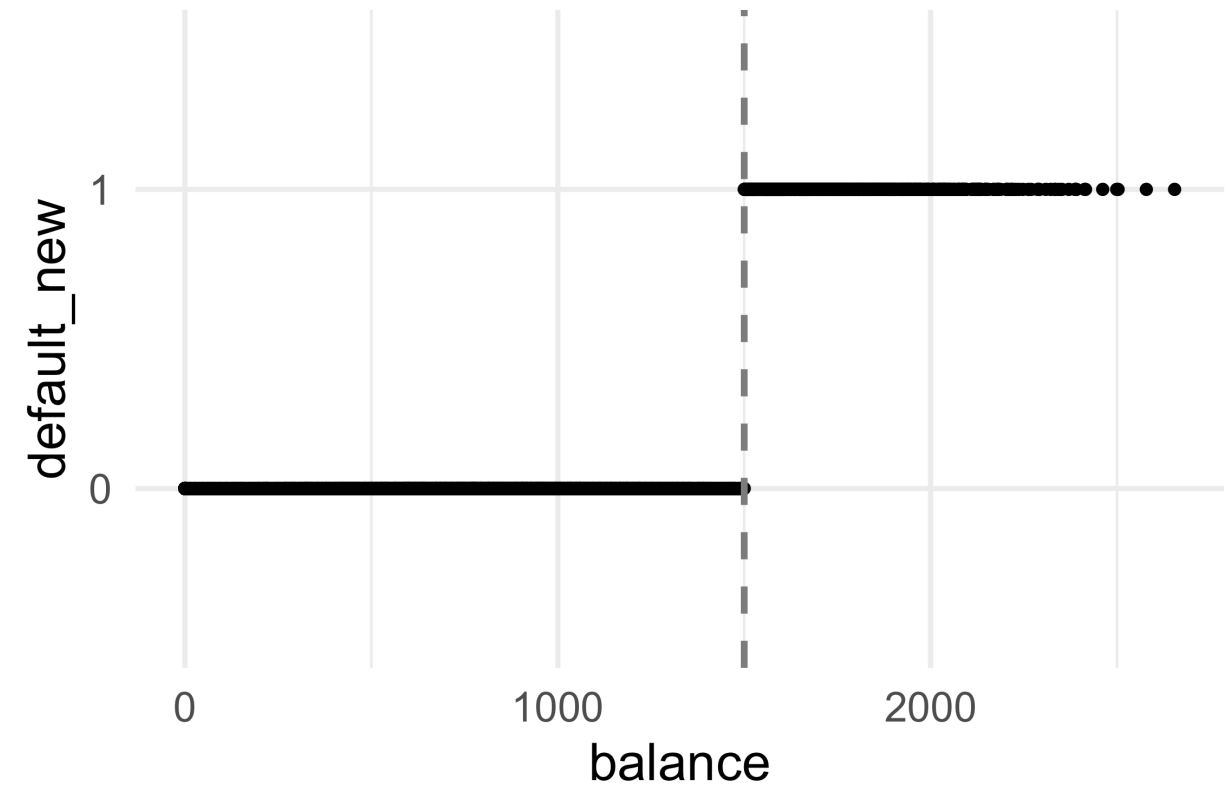
- Explains about **half of the variation** in the response, which would normally be reasonable.
- Gets most of the **smaller but important class wrong**.
- Not a very useful model.

# A warning for using GLMs!

Logistic regression model fitting fails when the data is *perfectly* separated.

MLE fit will try and fit a step-wise function to this graph, pushing coefficients sizes towards infinity and produce large standard errors.

Pay attention to warnings!



```
1 logistic_fit <-  
2   logistic_mod |>  
3   fit(default_new ~ balance,  
4       data = simcredit)
```

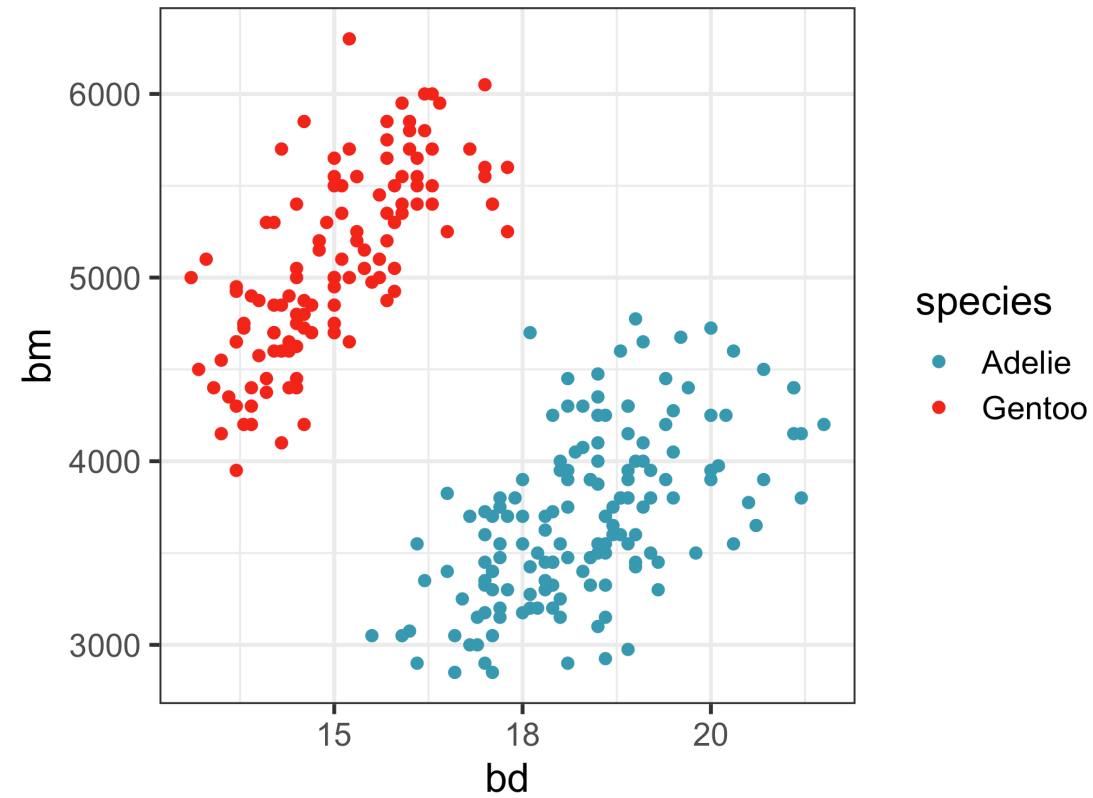
Warning: glm.fit: algorithm did not converge

Warning: glm.fit: fitted probabilities numerically 0 or 1 occurred



# Discriminant Analysis

# Linear Discriminant Analysis

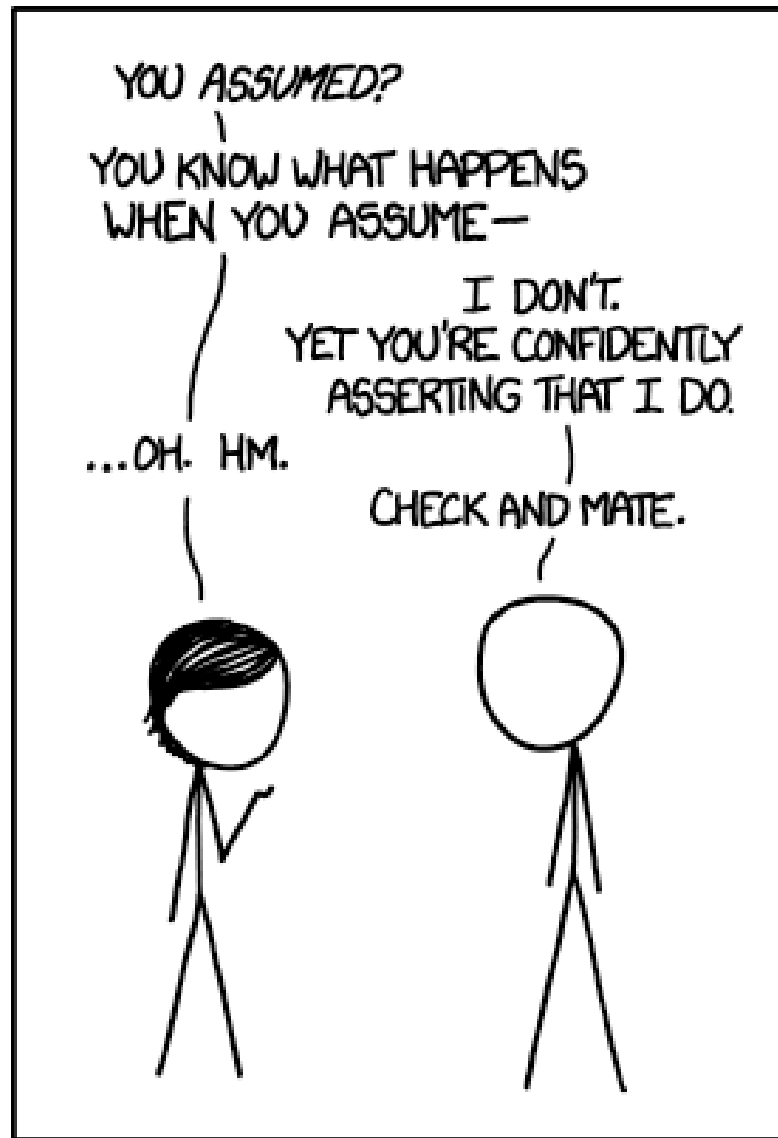


- Where are the sample means?
- What is the shape of the sample variance-covariance?

Linear discriminant analysis assumes the distribution of the predictors is a **multivariate normal, with the same variance-covariance matrix**, separately for each class.

Where would you draw a line to create a boundary separating Adelie and Gentoo penguins?

# Assumptions underlie LDA



Source: <https://xkcd.com>

- All samples come from **normal populations**
- with the **same population variance-covariance matrix**

# LDA with $p = 1$ predictors <sup>1/4</sup>

If  $K = 2$  (two classes labelled **A** and **B**) and each group has the *same prior probability*, the LDA rule is to assign the new observation  $x_0$  to class **A** if

$$x_0 > \frac{\bar{x}_A + \bar{x}_B}{2}$$

- It's a really intuitive rule, eh?
- It also matters which of the two classes is considered to be **A!!!**
- So maybe easier to think about as **“assign the new observation to the group with the closest mean”**.
- How does this rule arise from the assumptions?

# Bayes Theorem <sup>2/4</sup>

Let  $f_k(x)$  be the density function for predictor  $x$  for class  $k$ . If  $f$  is large, the probability that  $x$  belongs to class  $k$  is large, or if  $f$  is small it is unlikely that  $x$  belongs to class  $k$ .

According to Bayes theorem (for  $K$  classes) the probability that  $x$  belongs to class  $k$  is:

$$P(Y = k|X = x) = p_k(x) = \frac{\pi_k f_k(x)}{\sum_{i=1}^K \pi_i f_i(x)}$$

where  $\pi_k$  is the prior probability that an observation comes from class  $k$ .

# LDA with $p = 1$ predictors <sup>3/4</sup>

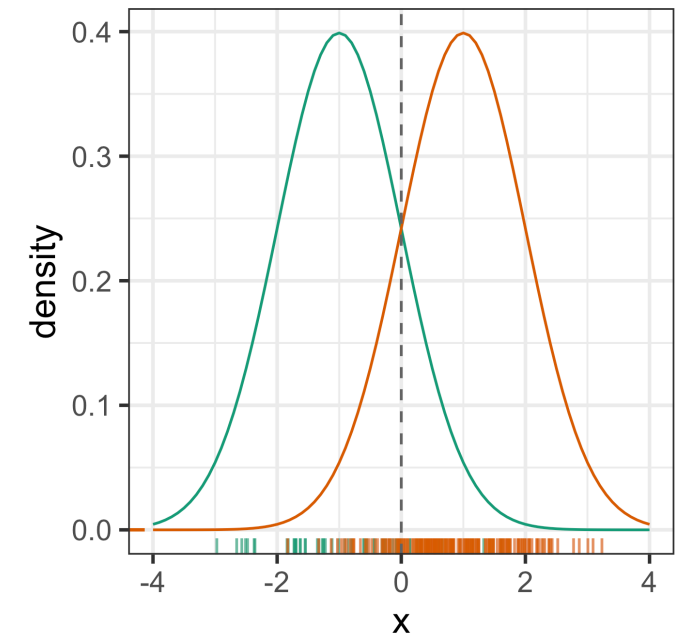
The **density function**  $f_k(x)$  of a univariate **normal** (Gaussian) is

$$f_k(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_k^2}(x - \mu_k)^2\right)$$

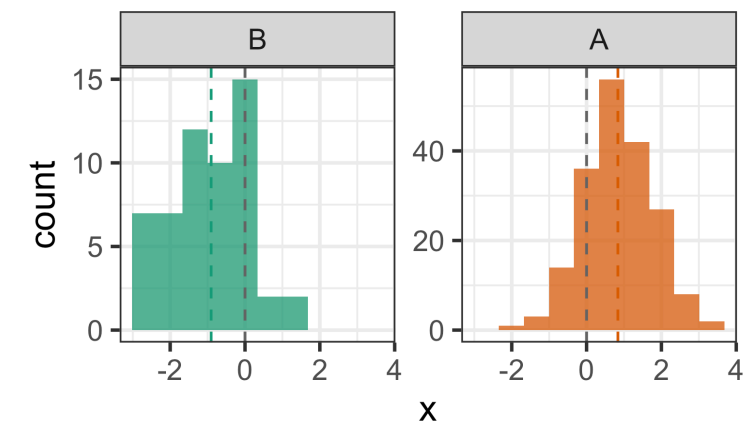
where  $\mu_k$  and  $\sigma_k^2$  are the mean and variance parameters for the  $k$ th class. We also assume that  $\sigma_A^2 = \sigma_B^2 = \dots = \sigma_K^2$ ; then the conditional probabilities are

$$p_k(x) = \frac{\pi_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_k)^2\right)}{\sum_{l=1}^K \pi_l \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_l)^2\right)}$$

Population



Data





# LDA with $p = 1$ predictors 4/4

A simplification of  $p_k(x_0)$  yields the **discriminant functions**,  $\delta_k(x_0)$ :

$$\delta_k(x_0) = x_0 \frac{\mu_k}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_k^2}{2\sigma^2} + \log(\pi_k)$$

from which the LDA rule will assign  $x_0$  to the class  $k$  with the largest value.

Let  $K = 2$ , then the rule reduces to assign  $x_0$  to class A if

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\pi_A \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_A)^2\right)}{\sum_{l=1}^2 \pi_l \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_l)^2\right)} > \frac{\pi_B \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_B)^2\right)}{\sum_{l=1}^2 \pi_l \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu_l)^2\right)} \\ \rightarrow & \pi_A \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_A)^2\right) > \pi_B \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_B)^2\right) \\ \rightarrow & \pi_A \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_A)^2\right) > \pi_B \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_B)^2\right) \\ \rightarrow & \log \pi_A - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_A)^2 > \log \pi_B - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0 - \mu_B)^2 \\ \rightarrow & \log \pi_A - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0^2 - 2x_0\mu_A + \mu_A^2) > \log \pi_B - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x_0^2 - 2x_0\mu_B + \mu_B^2) \\ \rightarrow & \log \pi_A - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(-2x_0\mu_A + \mu_A^2) > \log \pi_B - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(-2x_0\mu_B + \mu_B^2) \\ \rightarrow & \log \pi_A + \frac{x_0\mu_A}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_A^2}{\sigma^2} > \log \pi_B + \frac{x_0\mu_B}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_B^2}{\sigma^2} \\ \rightarrow & \underbrace{x_0 \frac{\mu_A}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_A^2}{\sigma^2} + \log \pi_A}_{\text{Discriminant function for class A}} > \underbrace{x_0 \frac{\mu_B}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu_B^2}{\sigma^2} + \log \pi_B}_{\text{Discriminant function for class B}} \end{aligned}$$



# Multivariate LDA, $p > 1$

A  $p$ -dimensional random variable  $X$  has a multivariate Gaussian distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance-covariance  $\Sigma$ , we write  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ .

The multivariate normal density function is:

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

with  $x, \mu$  are  $p$ -dimensional vectors,  $\Sigma$  is a  $p \times p$  variance-covariance matrix.

# Multivariate LDA, $K = 2$

The discriminant functions are:

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

and Bayes classifier is **assign a new observation  $x_0$  to the class with the highest  $\delta_k(x_0)$** .

When  $K = 2$  and  $\pi_A = \pi_B$  this reduces to

Assign observation  $x_0$  to class **A** if

$$x_0^\top \underbrace{\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_A - \mu_B)}_{\text{dimension reduction}} > \frac{1}{2}(\mu_A + \mu_B)^\top \underbrace{\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_A - \mu_B)}_{\text{dimension reduction}}$$

NOTE: Class A and B need to be mapped to the classes in the your data. The class “to the right” on the reduced dimension will correspond to class A in this equation.

# Computation

Use sample mean  $\bar{x}_k$  to estimate  $\mu_k$ , and

to estimate  $\Sigma$  use the **pooled variance-covariance**:

$$S = \frac{n_1 S_1 + n_2 S_2 + \cdots + n_k S_k}{n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k}$$

# Example: penguins <sup>1/3</sup>

# Summary statistics

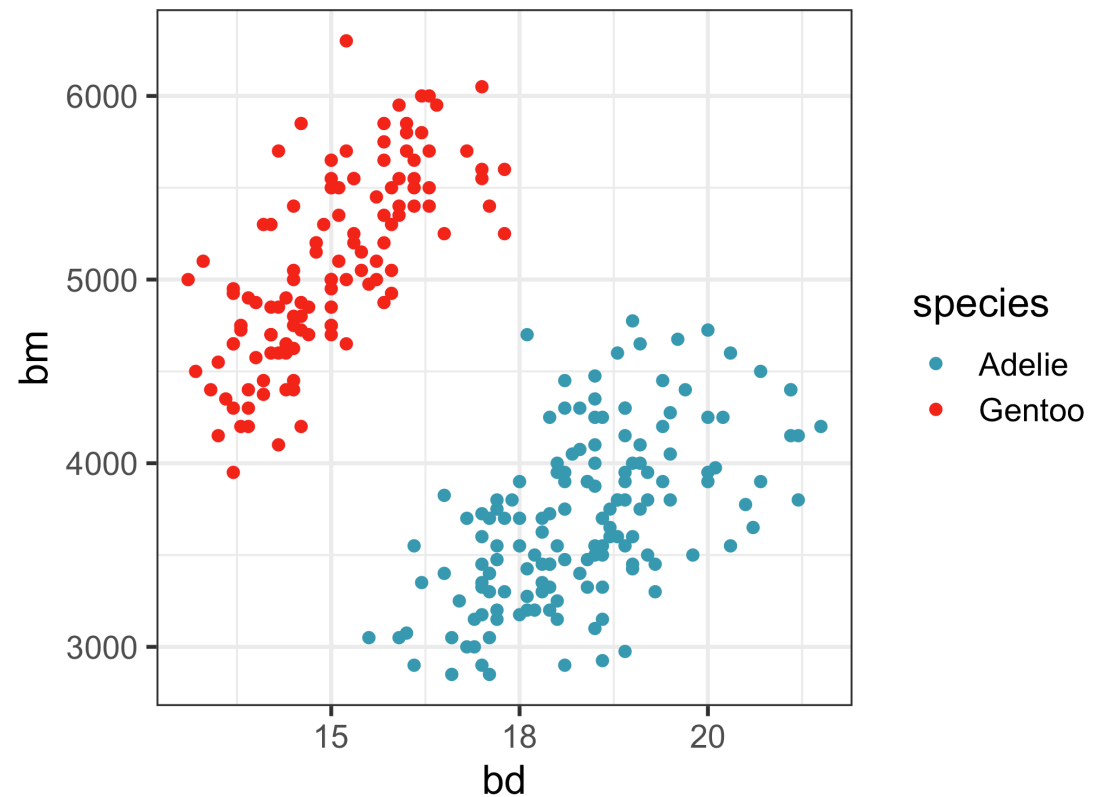
```
# A tibble: 2 × 3
  species    bm    bd
  <fct>    <dbl> <dbl>
1 Adelie  3701.  18.3
2 Gentoo  5076.  15.0
```

```
      bm    bd
bm 210283 321.4
bd   321   1.5
```

```
      bm    bd
bm 254133 355.69
bd   356   0.96
```



```
1 library(discrim)
2 lda_spec <- discrim_linear() |>
3   set_mode("classification") |>
4   set_engine("MASS", prior = c(0.5, 0.5))
5 lda_fit <- lda_spec |>
6   fit(species ~ bm + bd, data = p_sub)
7
8 lda_fit
```

parsnip model object

Call:

```
lda(species ~ bm + bd, data = data, prior = ~c(0.5, 0.5))
```

Prior probabilities of groups:

```
Adelie Gentoo
 0.5     0.5
```

Group means:

```
      bm  bd
Adelie 3701 18
Gentoo 5076 15
```

Coefficients of linear discriminants:

```
      1 2
```

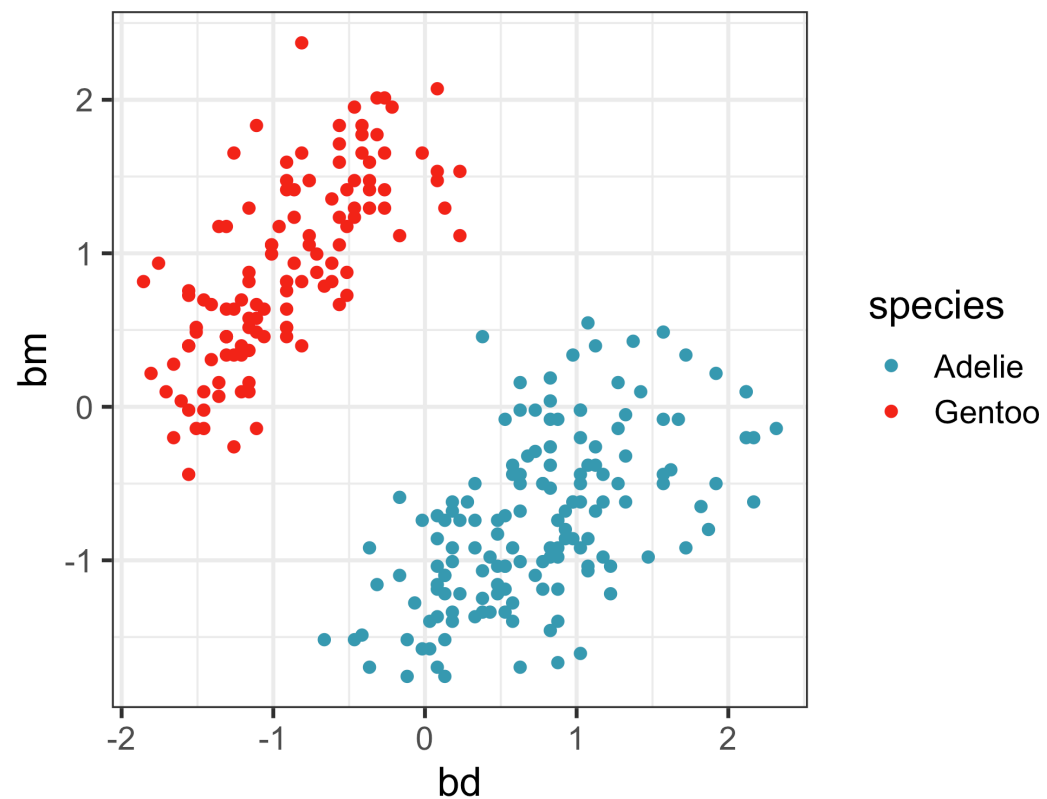
**Recommendation: standardise the variables before fitting model, even though it is not necessary for LDA.**

# Example: penguins <sup>2/3</sup>

# Summary statistics

```
# A tibble: 2 × 3
  species    bm    bd
  <fct>    <dbl> <dbl>
1 Adelie  -0.739  0.750
2 Gentoo   0.907 -0.921
```

	bm	bd
bm	0.30	0.19
bd	0.19	0.37
	bm	bd
bm	0.36	0.21
bd	0.21	0.24



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Prior probabilities of groups:

Adelie	Gentoo
0.5	0.5

Group means:

	bm	bd
Adelie	-0.74	0.75
Gentoo	0.91	-0.92

Coefficients of linear discriminants:

7.71

# Example: penguins 3/3

$$S^{-1}(\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B)$$

```
1 S1 <- cov(p_sub[p_sub$species == "Adelie",-1])
2 S2 <- cov(p_sub[p_sub$species == "Gentoo",-1])
3 Sp <- (S1+S2)/2
4 Sp
```

```
bm bd
bm 0.33 0.2
bd 0.20 0.3
```

```
1 Spinv <- solve(Sp)
2 Spinv
```

```
bm bd
bm 5.1 -3.4
bd -3.4 5.6
```

```
1 m1 <- as.matrix(lda_fit$fit$means[1,], ncol=1)
2 m1
```

```
 [,1]
bm -0.74
bd 0.75
```

```
1 m2 <- as.matrix(lda_fit$fit$means[2,], ncol=1)
2 m2
```

```
 [,1]
bm 0.91
bd -0.92
```

```
1 Spinv %*% (m1-m2)
```

```
 [,1]
bm -14
bd 15
```

$$x_0 S^{-1}(\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B) > \frac{\bar{x}_A + \bar{x}_B}{2} S^{-1}(\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B)$$

```
1 (m1 + m2)/2
```

```
 [,1]
bm 0.084
bd -0.085
```

```
1 matrix((m1 + m2)/2, ncol=2) %*% Spinv %*% (m1-m2)
```

```
 [,1]
[1,] -2.4
```

If  $x_0$  is -0.68, 0.93, what species is it?

```
1 as.matrix(p_sub[1,-1]) %*% Spinv %*% (m1-m2)
```

```
 [,1]
[1,] 23
```

Is Adelie class A or is Gentoo class A?

Check by plugging in the means

```
1 t(m1) %*% Spinv %*% (m1-m2)
```

```
 [,1]
[1,] 21
```

```
1 predict(lda_fit, p_sub[1,-1])$.pred_class
```

```
[1] Adelie
Levels: Adelie Gentoo
```



# Dimension reduction

# Dimension reduction via LDA

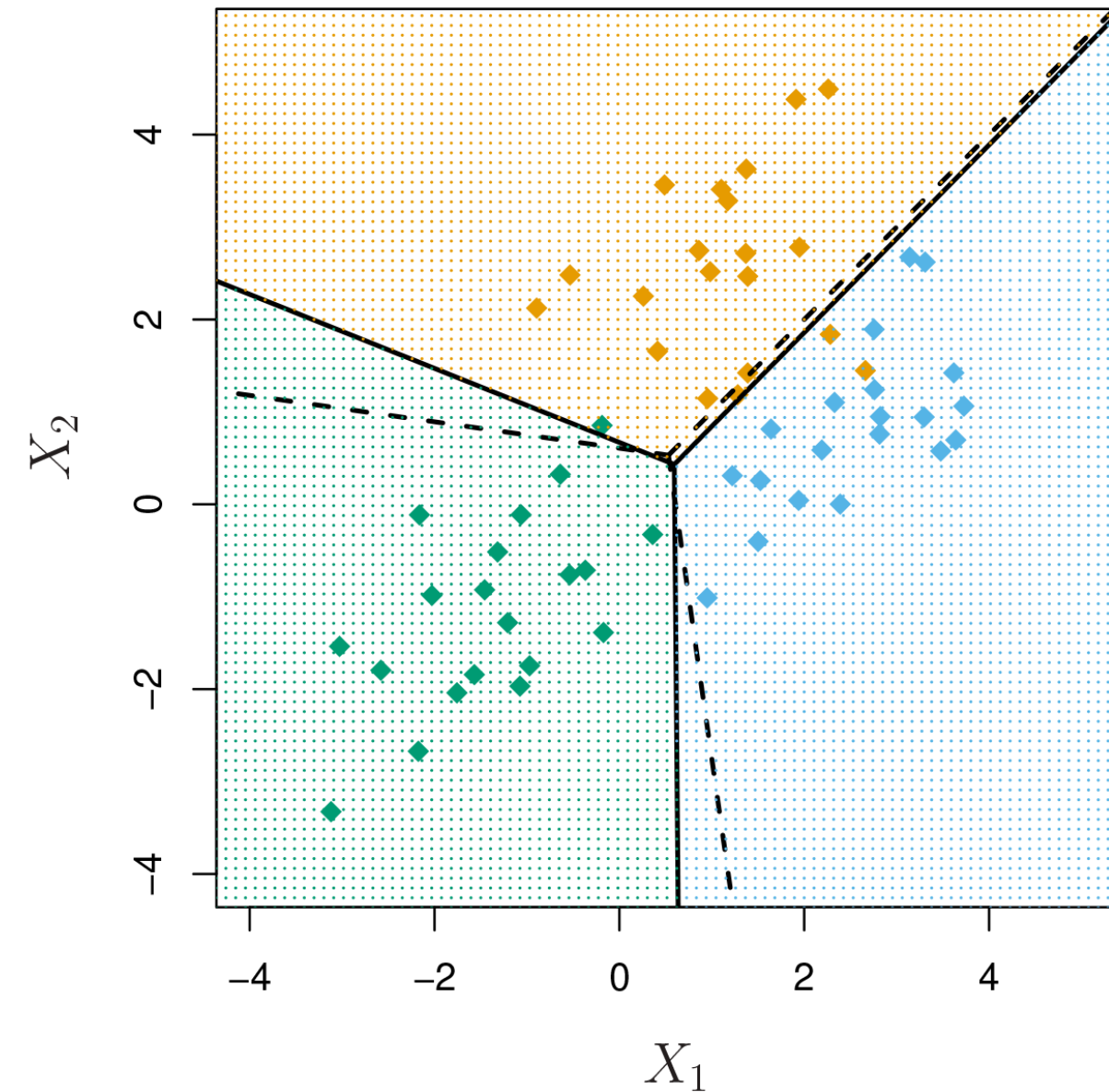
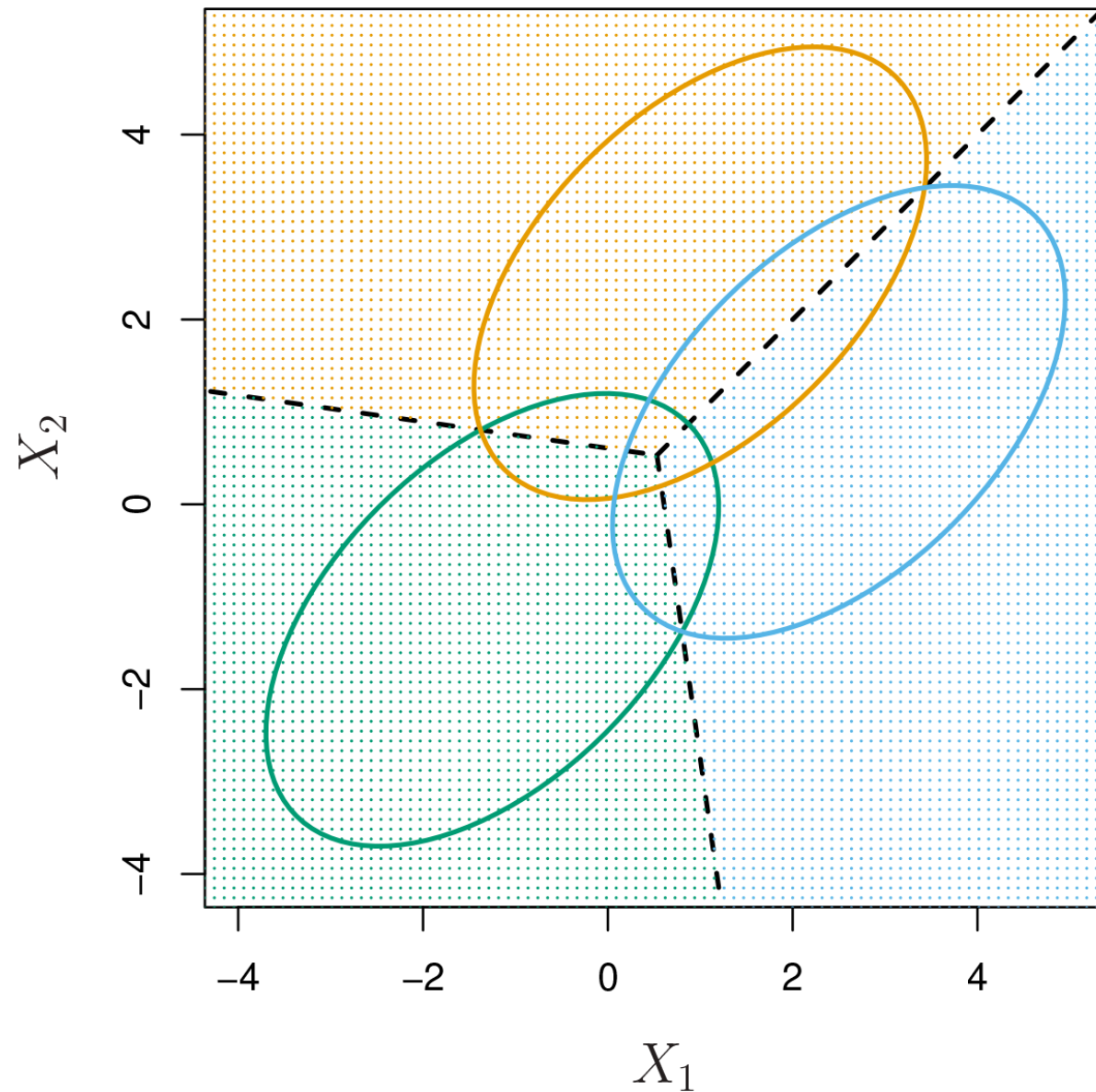
**Discriminant space:** LDA also provides a low-dimensional projection of the  $p$ -dimensional space, where the groups are the most separated. For  $K = 2$ , this is

$$\Sigma^{-1}(\mu_A - \mu_B)$$

The distance between means relative to the variance-covariance, ie Mahalanobis distance.

# Discriminant space

The dashed lines are the Bayes decision boundaries. Ellipses that contain 95% of the probability for each of the three classes are shown. Solid line corresponds to the class boundaries from the LDA model fit to the sample.





# Discriminant space: using sample statistics

**Discriminant space:** is the low-dimensional space where the class means are the furthest apart relative to the common variance-covariance.

The discriminant space is provided by the eigenvectors after making an eigen-decomposition of  $W^{-1}B$ , where

$$B = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K (\bar{x}_i - \bar{x})(\bar{x}_i - \bar{x})^\top \quad \text{and} \quad W = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{n_k} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (x_i - \bar{x}_k)(x_i - \bar{x}_k)^\top$$

Note  $W$  is the (unweighted) pooled variance-covariance matrix.

# Mahalanobis distance

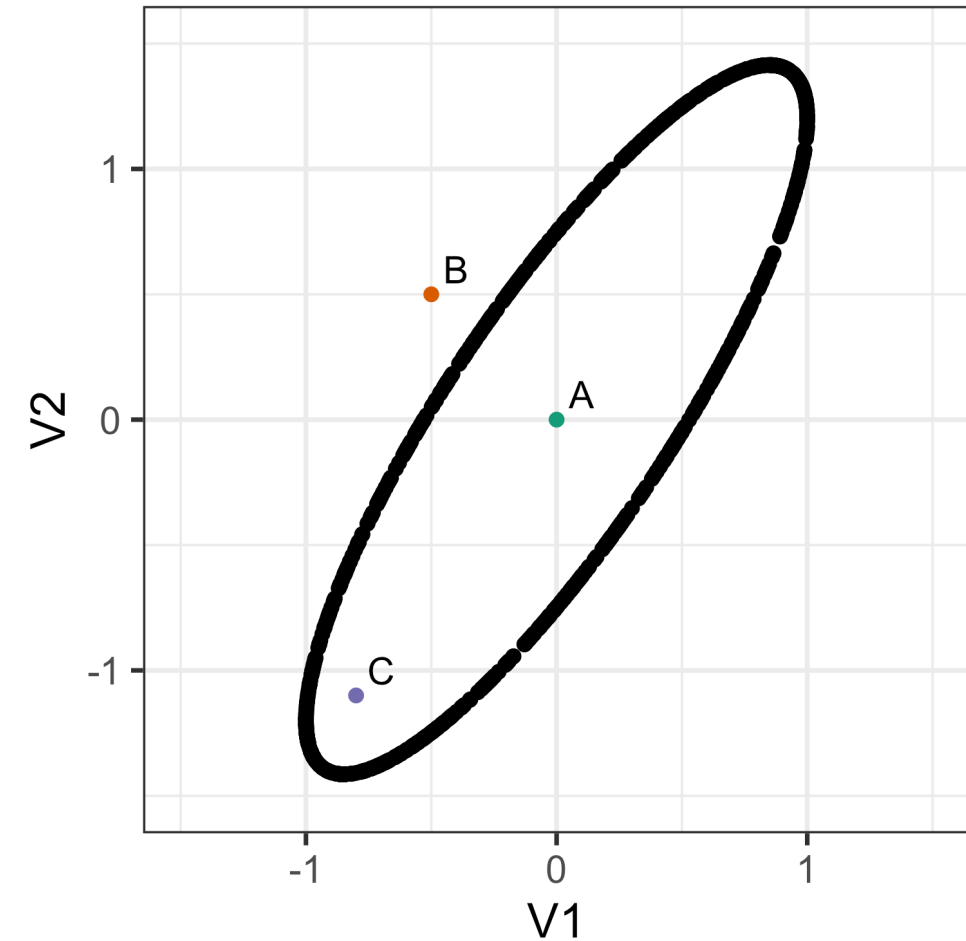
For two  $p$ -dimensional vectors, Euclidean distance is

$$d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x - y)^T (x - y)}$$

and Mahalanobis distance is

$$d(x, y) = \sqrt{(x - y)^T \Sigma^{-1} (x - y)}$$

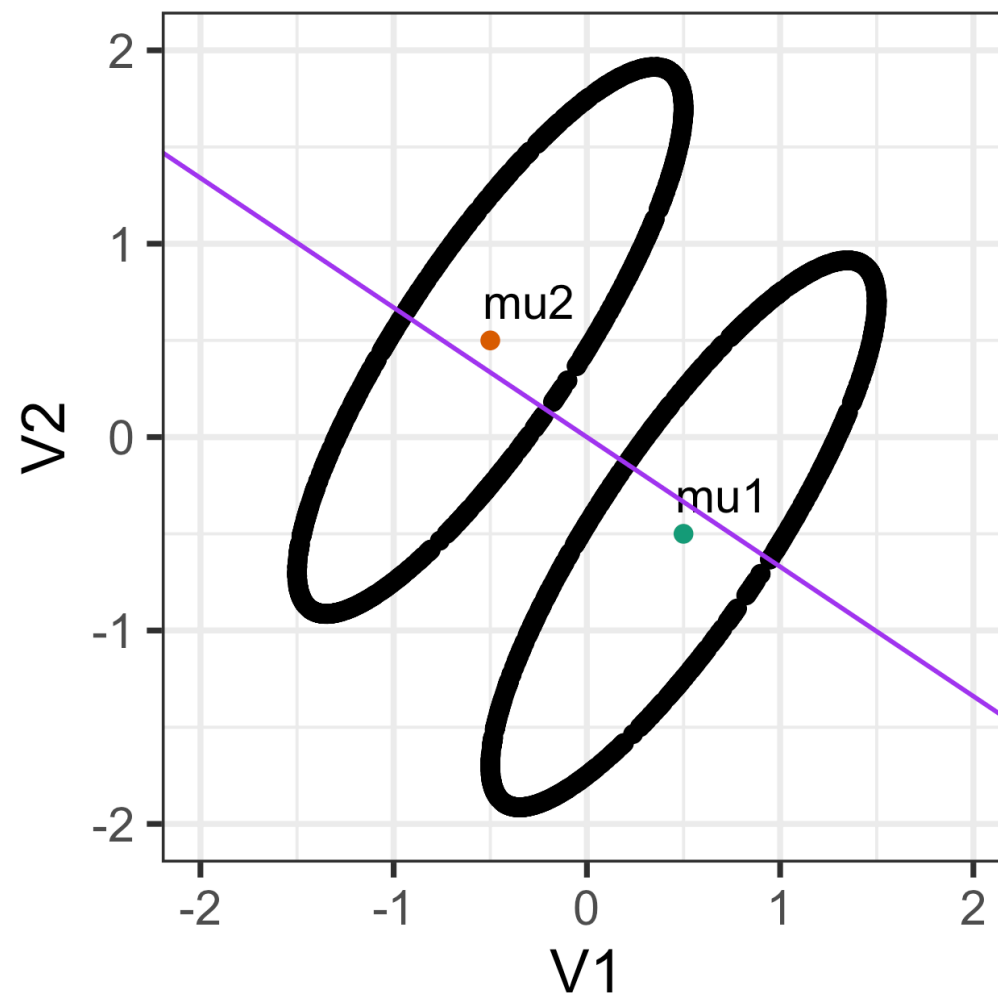
Which points are closest according to **Euclidean** distance? Which points are closest relative to the **variance-covariance**?



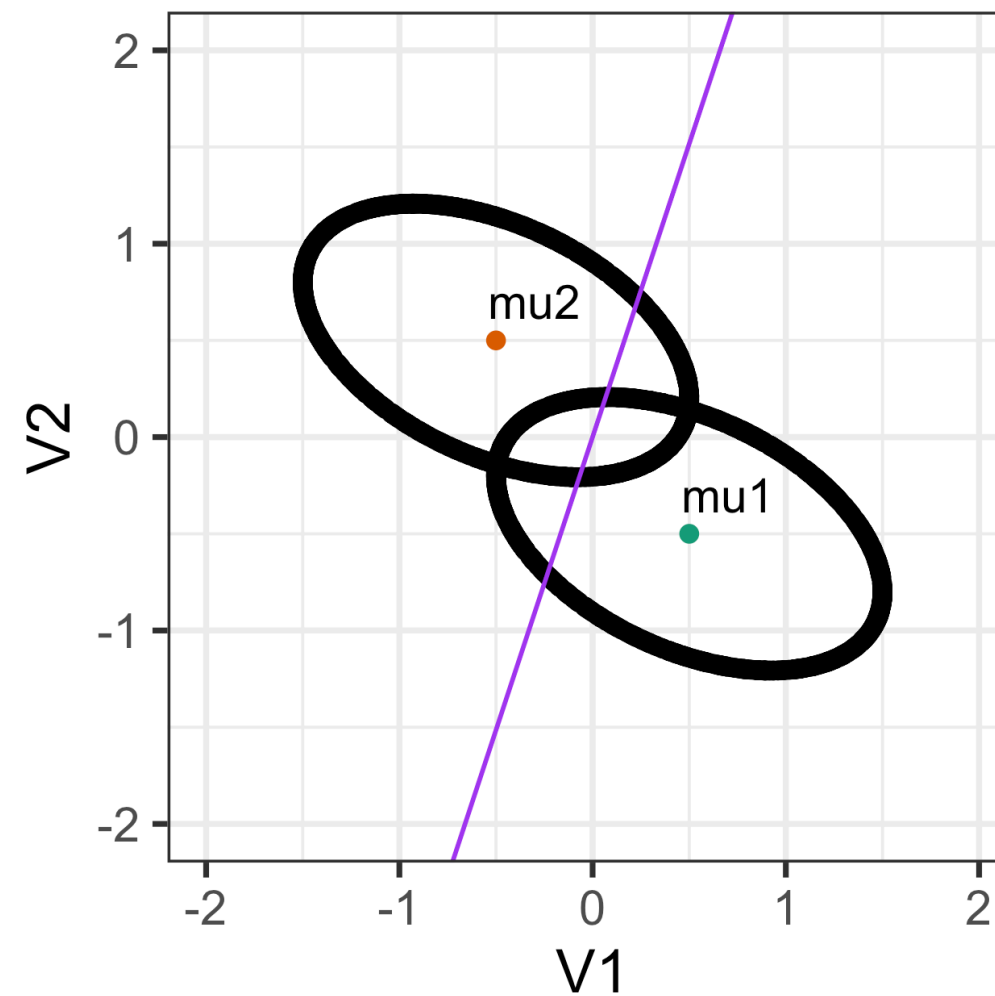
# Discriminant space

In the means of scenarios 1 and 2 are the same, but the variance-covariances are different. The calculated **discriminant space** is different for different variance-covariances.

## Scenario 1



## Scenario 2



Notice: Means for groups are different, and variance-covariance for each group are the same.

# Quadratic Discriminant Analysis

If the groups have different variance-covariance matrices,  
but still come from a normal distribution



# Quadratic DA (QDA)

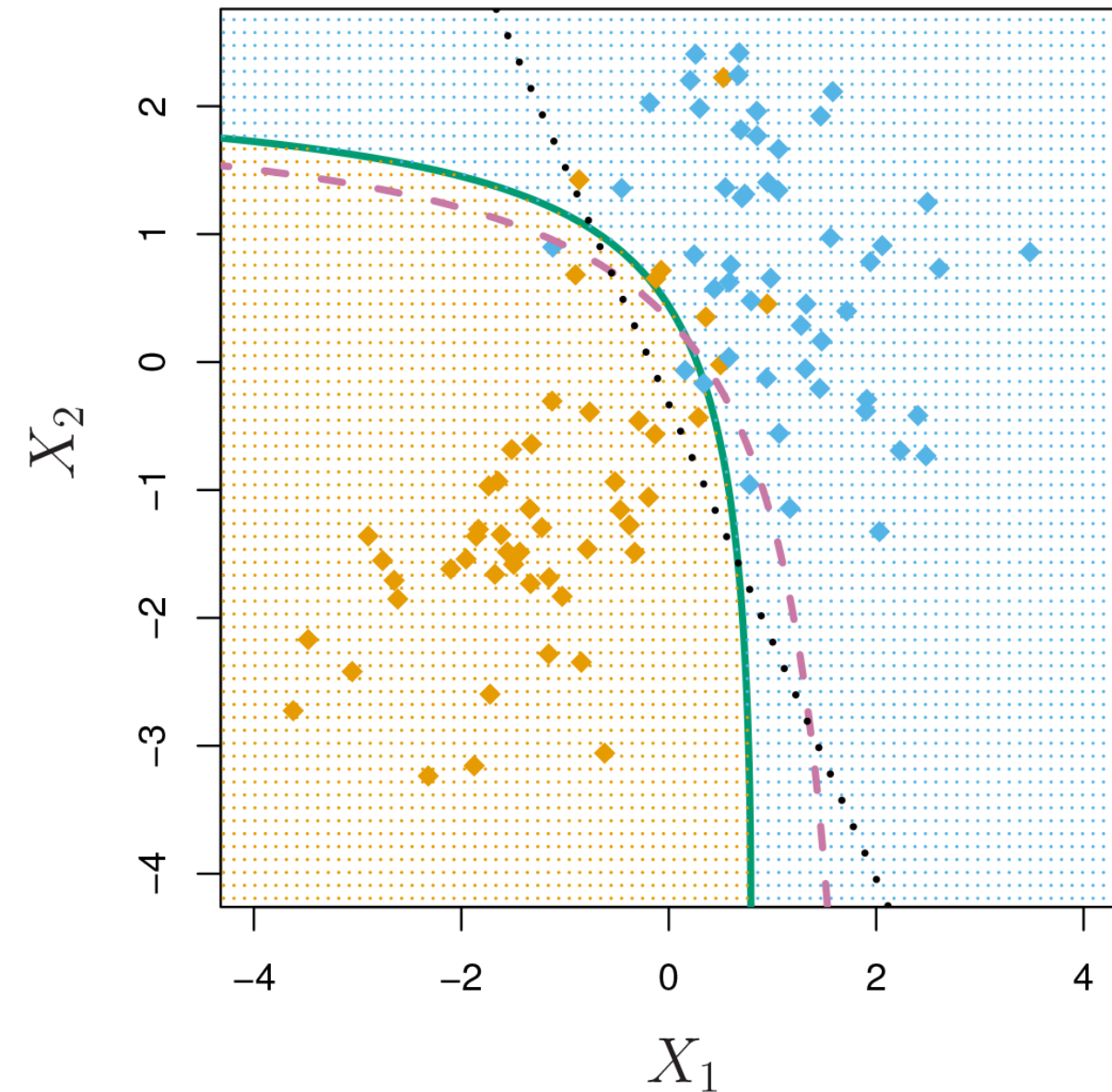
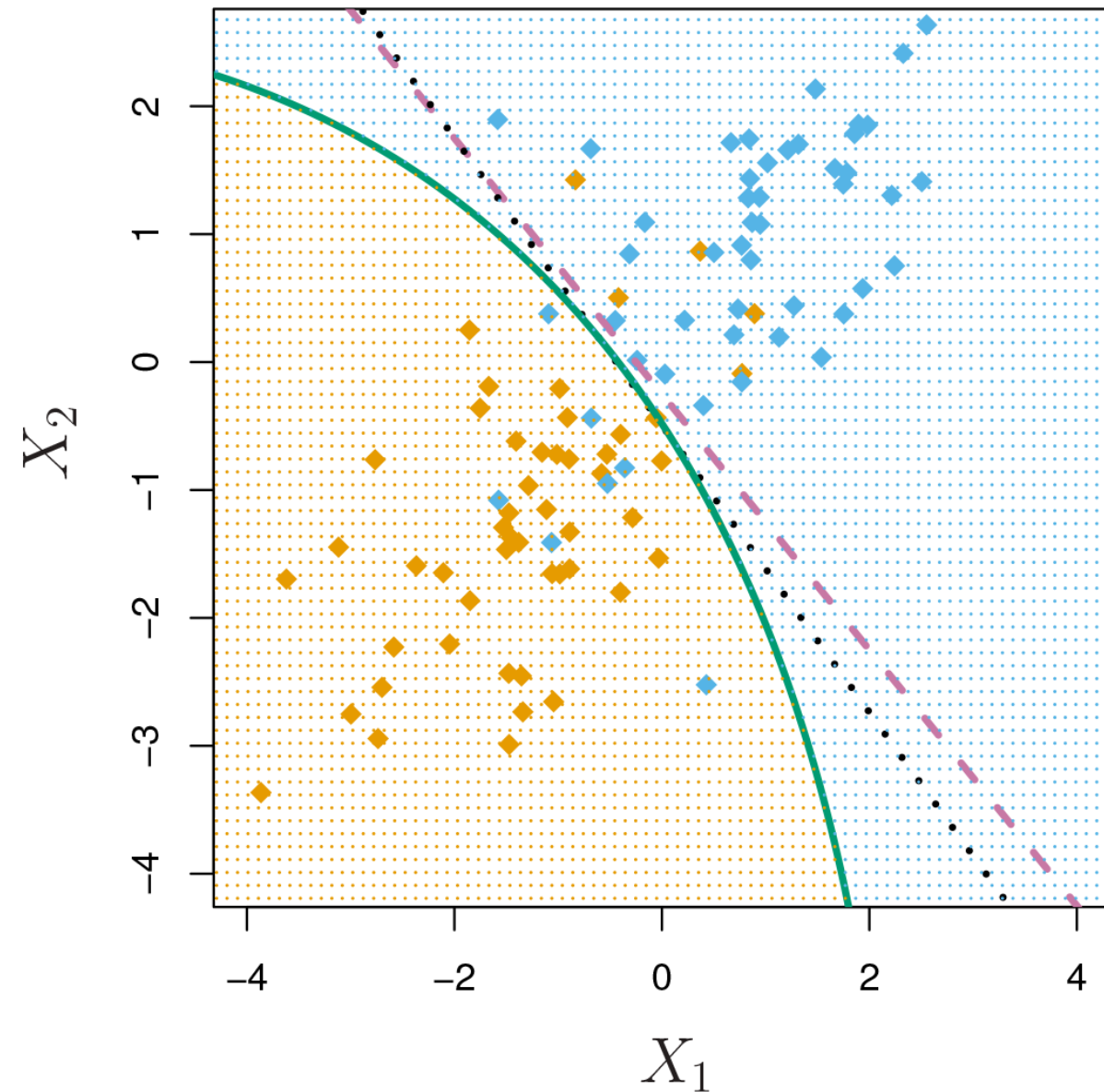
If the variance-covariance matrices for the groups are **NOT EQUAL**, then the discriminant functions are:

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

where  $\Sigma_k$  is the population variance-covariance for class  $k$ , estimated by the sample variance-covariance  $S_k$ , and  $\mu_k$  is the population mean vector for class  $k$ , estimated by the sample mean  $\bar{x}_k$ .

# Quadratic DA (QDA)

A quadratic boundary is obtained by relaxing the assumption of equal variance-covariance, and assume that  $\Sigma_k \neq \Sigma_l, k \neq l, k, l = 1, \dots, K$

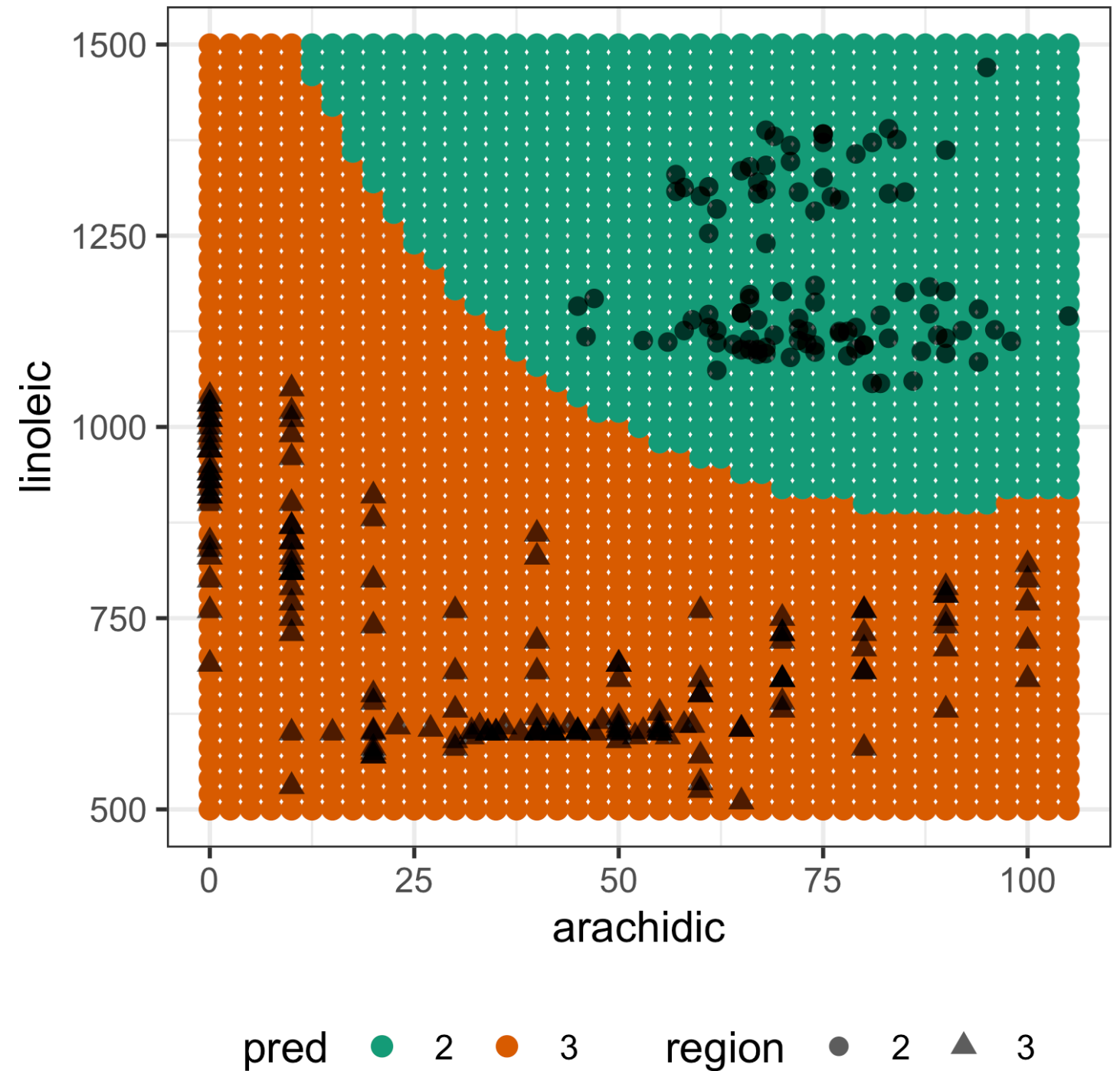


true, LDA, QDA.



# QDA: Olive oils example

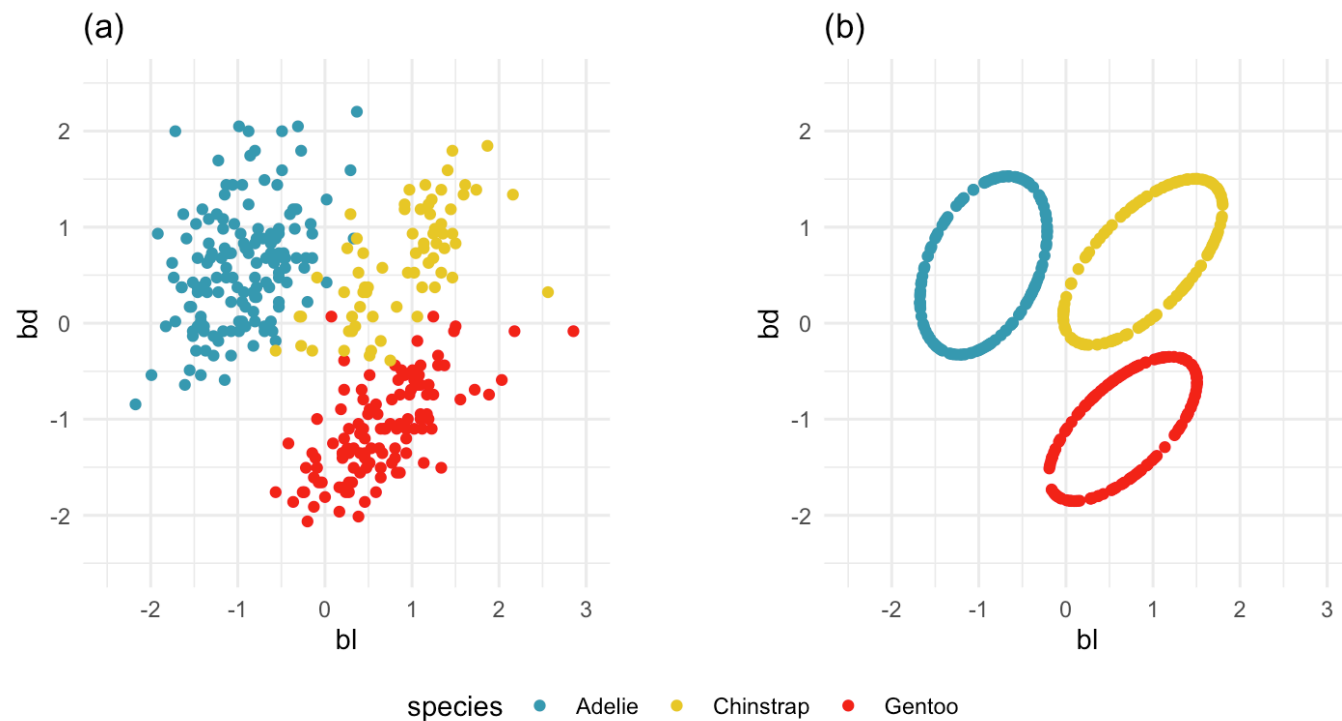
Even if the population is NOT normally distributed, QDA might do reasonably. On this data, region 3 has a “banana-shaped” variance-covariance, and region 2 has two separate clusters. The quadratic boundary though does well to carve the space into neat sections dividing the two regions.



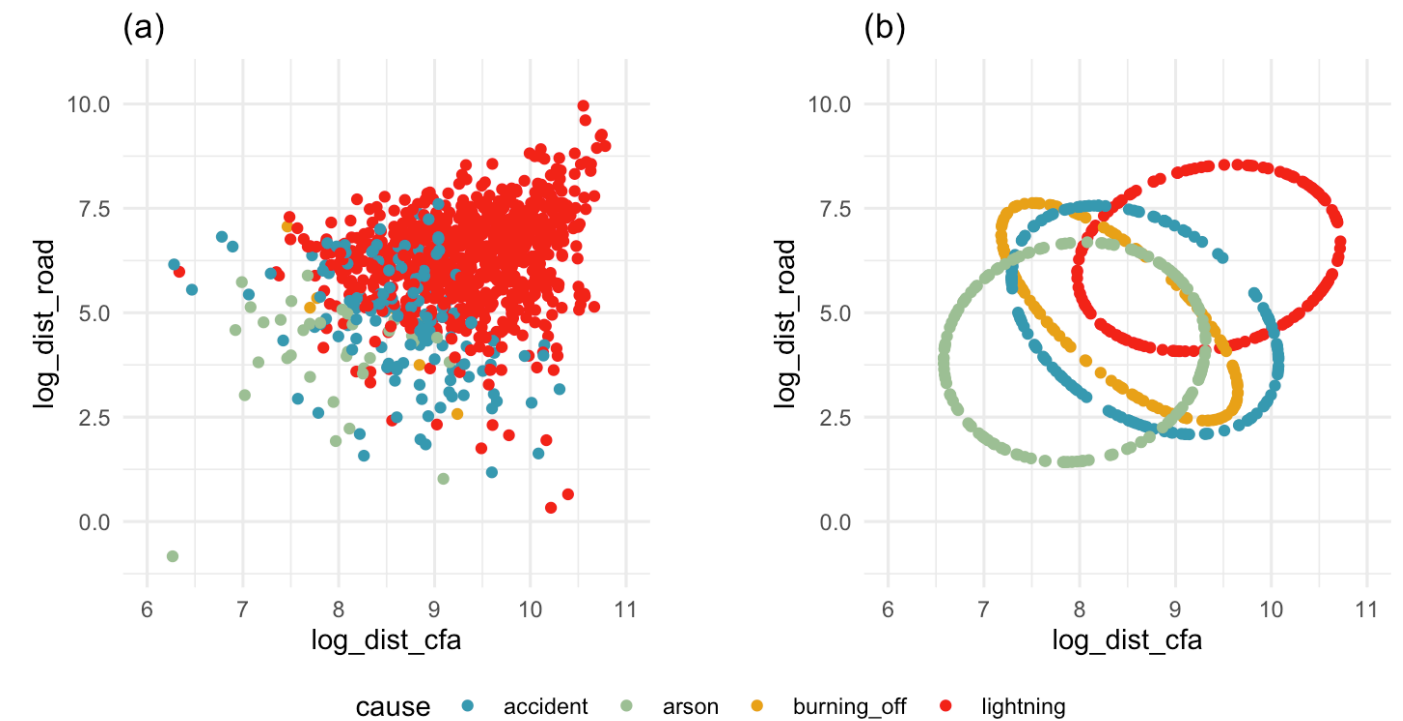
# Checking the assumptions for LDA and QDA <sup>1/2</sup>

Check the shape of the variability of each group could be considered to be elliptical, and the size is same for LDA but different to use QDA.

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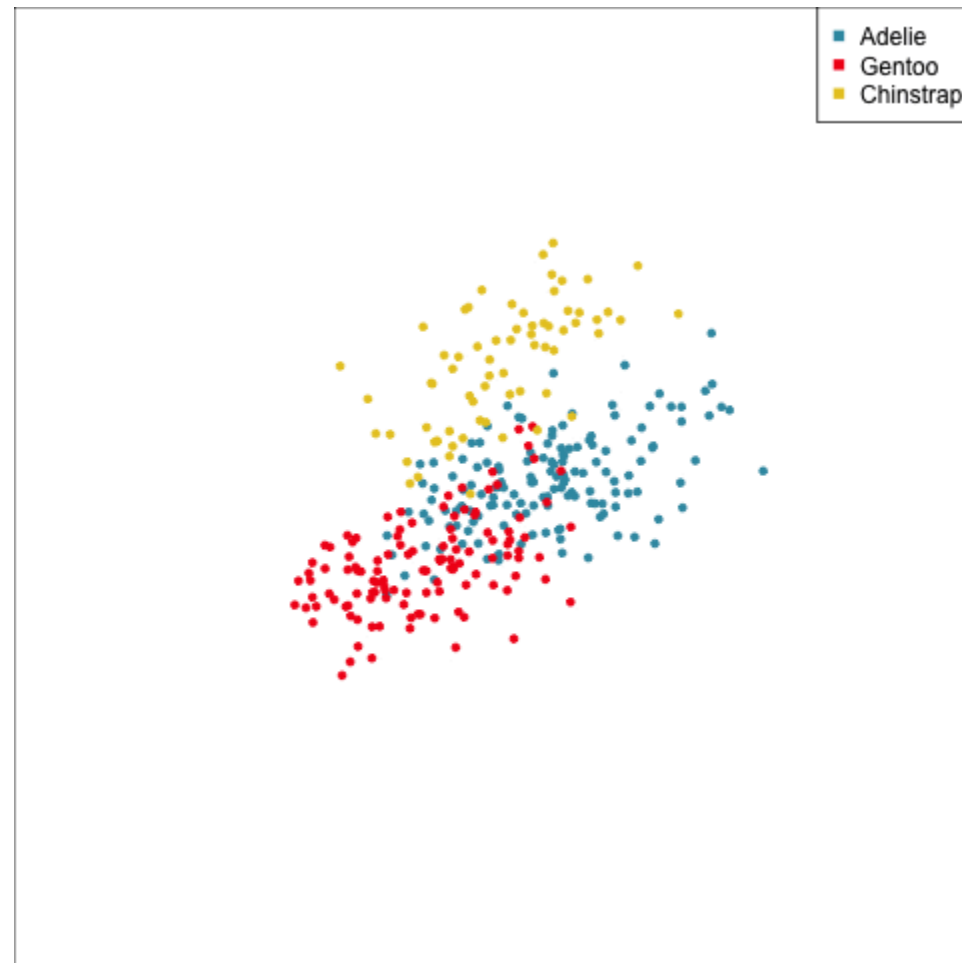


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# Checking the assumptions for LDA and QDA <sup>2/2</sup>

This can also be done for  $p > 2$ .

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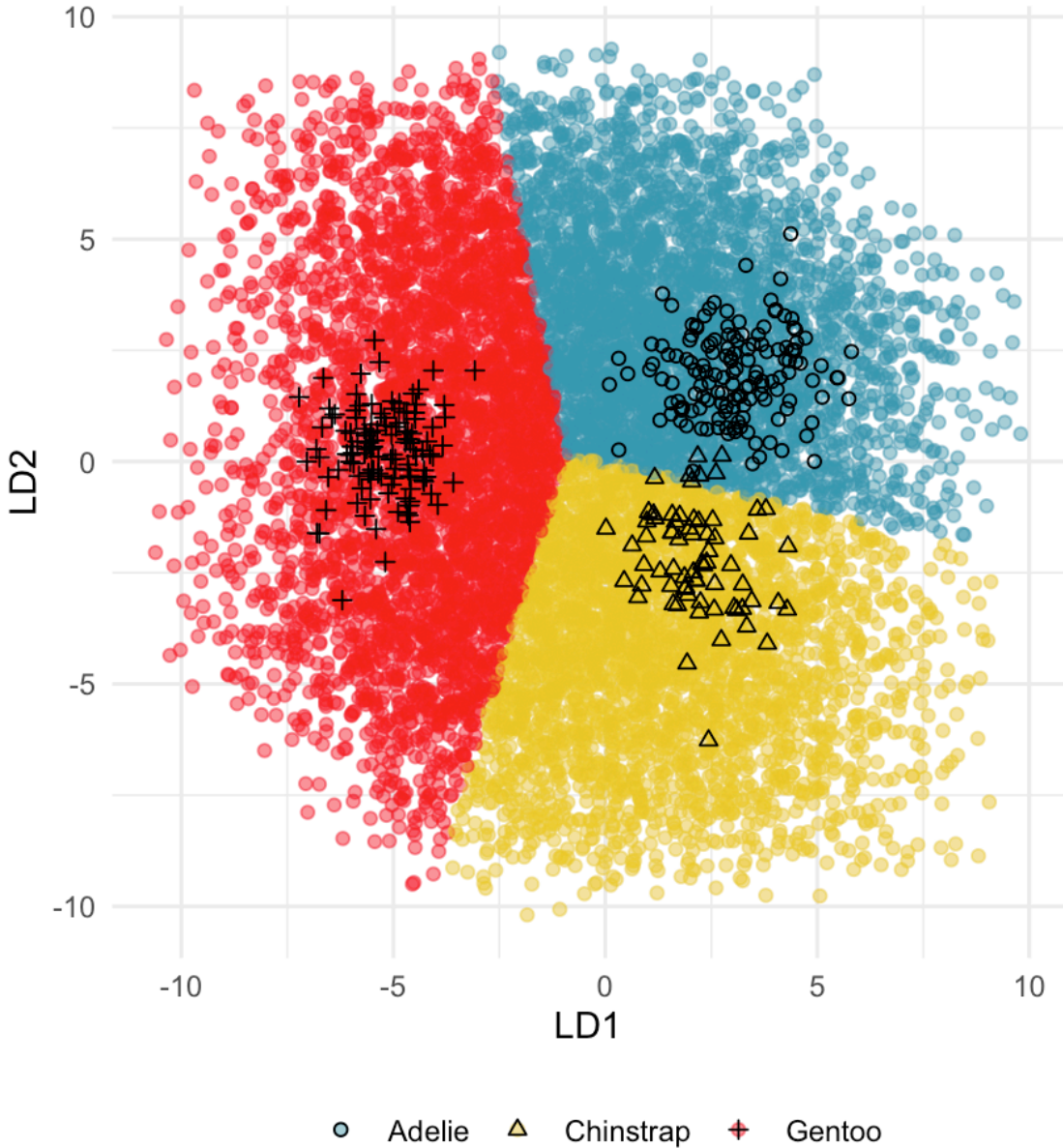
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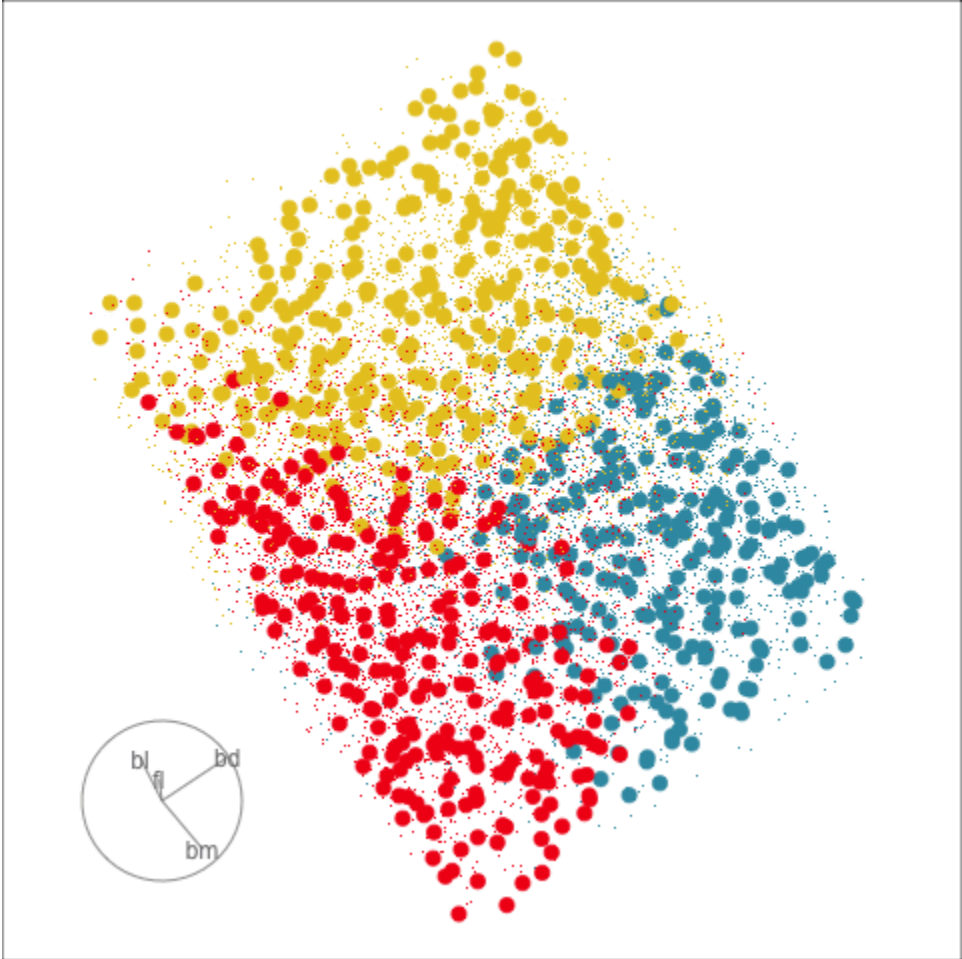
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# Plotting the model

## Data-in-the-model-space



## Model-in-the-data-space



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# Next: Trees and forests