

Machine Learning HW2

Problem 1

Solution:

For the linear SVM in the non-separable case, we are trying to optimize following equation:

$$\min_{w,b,\epsilon_i} \frac{1}{2} \|w\|_2^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^N \epsilon_i$$

$$\text{s.t. } y_i (\langle w, x_i \rangle + b) \geq 1 - \epsilon_i, \epsilon_i \geq 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

Using Lagrange multiplier method and treat it as dual problem, we are trying to optimize following equation (denote this equation as equation (*)):

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\alpha, \beta} \min_{w, b, \epsilon_i} L(w, b, \epsilon, \alpha, \beta) \\ & = \max_{\alpha, \beta} \min_{w, b, \epsilon_i} \frac{1}{2} w^T w + C \sum_{i=1}^N \epsilon_i - \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i [y_i (\langle w, x_i \rangle + b) - 1 + \epsilon_i] - \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_i \epsilon_i \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

Calculating partial derivative, we can get:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = w - \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b} = - \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \epsilon_i} = C - \alpha_i - \beta_i = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

That is, we get following restrictions:

$$w = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i x_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i = 0$$

$$C = \alpha_i + \beta_i, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

Considering these restrictions in equation (*), we are now trying to optimize following equation:

$$\max_{\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N y_i y_j \alpha_i \alpha_j \langle x_i, x_j \rangle$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i y_i = 0, 0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

Assuming the solution to this optimization problem is α^* , we get the solution:

$$w^* = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \alpha_i^* x_i = \sum_{\alpha_i^* \neq 0} y_i \alpha_i^* x_i$$

$$b^* = y_i - \langle w^*, x_i \rangle = y_i - \sum_{\alpha_i^* \neq 0} y_i \alpha_i^* \langle x_i, x_j \rangle$$

Finally, we get the hyperplane:

$$f(x) = \langle w^*, x \rangle + b^* = \sum_{\alpha_i^* \neq 0} y_i \alpha_i^* \langle x_i, x \rangle + b^*$$

Problem 2

Solution:

- Non-negativity

Since euclidean distance is always no less than 0, $h(A, B) = \max_{a \in A} \min_{b \in B} \|a - b\|_2 \geq 0$, and $h(B, A) = \max_{b \in B} \min_{a \in A} \|b - a\|_2 \geq 0$, so $H(A, B) = \max(h(A, B), h(B, A)) \geq 0$.

- Identity

Supposing $A = B$, we can easily get $\forall a \in A, \exists b = a \in B, \|a - b\|_2 = 0$, and $\forall b \in B, \exists a = b \in A, \|a - b\|_2 = 0$. That is $h(A, B) = h(B, A) = 0$. So $H(A, B) = 0$.

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- Symmetry

$$H(A, B) = \max(h(A, B), h(B, A)) = \max(h(B, A), h(A, B)) = H(B, A)$$

- Triangle inequality

Supposing A, B, C are bounded closed set, $b^* \in B$ satisfy $h(A, B)$, then we can get:

$$\begin{aligned} & h(A, B) + h(B, C) \\ &= \max_{a \in A} \min_{b \in B} \|a - b\|_2 + \max_{b \in B} \min_{c \in C} \|b - c\|_2 \\ &= \max_{a \in A} \|a - b^*\|_2 + \max_{b \in B} \min_{c \in C} \|b - c\|_2 \\ &\geq \max_{a \in A} \|a - b^*\|_2 + \min_{c \in C} \|b^* - c\|_2 \\ &= \max_{a \in A} \min_{c \in C} (\|a - b^*\|_2 + \|b^* - c\|_2) \\ &\geq \max_{a \in A} \min_{c \in C} \|a - c\|_2 \\ &= h(A, C) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can get:

$$h(B, A) + h(C, B) \geq h(C, A)$$

That is to say:

$$\begin{aligned} & H(A, B) + H(B, C) \\ &= \max(h(A, B), h(B, A)) + \max(h(B, C), h(C, B)) \\ &\geq \max(h(A, C), h(C, A)) \\ &= H(A, C) \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3

Solution:

1. Supposing we observe nothing, since a, b are independent to each other, we can get the following equation:

$$p(a, b) = p(a, b) \sum_d \sum_c p(c|a, b) p(d|c) = p(a) p(b) \sum_d p(d|a, b) = p(a) p(b)$$

So we can say:

$$a \perp\!\!\!\perp b | \phi$$

2. Supposing we now observe d , we can get the following equations:

$$p(a, b|d) = \frac{p(a, b, d)}{p(d)} = p(a)p(b) \frac{\sum_c p(c|a, b)p(d|c)}{p(d)} = \frac{p(a)p(b)p(d|a, b)}{p(d)}$$

$$p(a|d) = \frac{p(a, d)}{p(d)} = p(a) \frac{\sum_b p(b) \sum_c p(c|a, b)p(d|c)}{p(d)}$$

$$p(b|d) = \frac{p(b, d)}{p(d)} = p(b) \frac{\sum_a p(a) \sum_c p(c|a, b)p(d|c)}{p(d)}$$

Since:

$$p(a, b|d) \neq p(a|d)p(b|d)$$

So we can say:

$$a \not\perp b|d$$