# Linear Classification and Support Vector Machine and Stochastic Gradient Descent and Multi-class Classification

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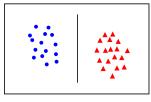
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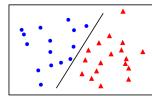
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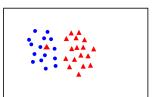
## Linear Separability

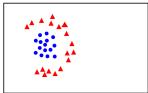
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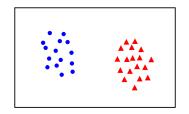


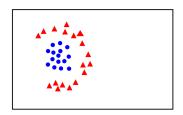
# Binary Classification

Given training data  $(\mathbf{x}_i,y_i)$  for  $i=1\dots n$ , with  $\mathbf{x}_i\in R^m$  and  $y_i\in\{-1,1\}$ , learn a classfier  $f(\mathbf{x})$  such that

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) \begin{cases} \ge 0 & y_i = +1 \\ < 0 & y_i = -1 \end{cases}$$

i.e.  $y_i f(\mathbf{x}_i) > 0$  for a correct classification

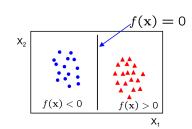




## Linear Classifiers: 2D Example

#### A linear classifier has the form:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x} + b$$

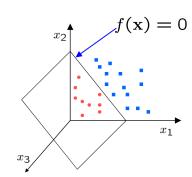


- In 2D the discriminant is a line
- w is the normal to the line, and b is the bias
- w is known as the weight vector

## Linear Classifiers: 3D Example

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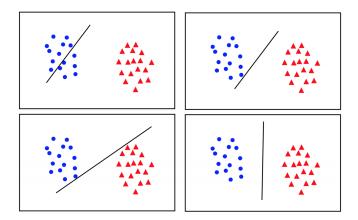


• In 3D the discriminant is a plane, and in mD it is a hyperplane

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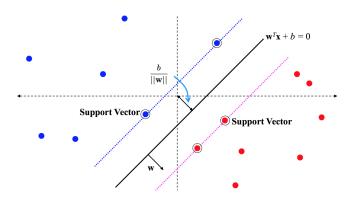
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## What's a Good Decision Boundary?



 Maximum margin solution: most stable under perturbations of the inputs Linear Classification Support Vector Machine Gradient Descent Stochastic Gradient Descent Mini-Batch Stochastic Gradient De

## Max-margin Methods



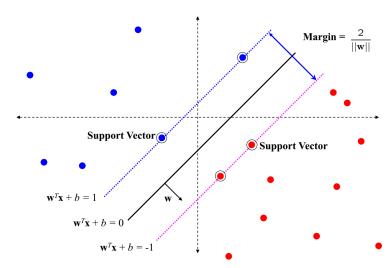
- Select two parallel hyperplanes that separate the two classes of data and let the distance between them as large as possible
- The region bounded by these two hyperplanes is called the "margin"

## SVM-sketch Derivation

- Choose normalization such that  $\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_{+} + b = +1$  and  $\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_{-} + b = -1$  for the positive and negative support vectors respectively
- Then the magin is given by

$$\frac{\mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_{+} - \mathbf{x}_{-}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^{\top} (\mathbf{x}_{+} - \mathbf{x}_{-})}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{(1 - \mathbf{b}) - (-1 - \mathbf{b})}{\|\mathbf{w}\|} = \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

# Support Vector Machine



# Basic Support Vector Machine

• Learning the SVM can be formulated as an optimization:

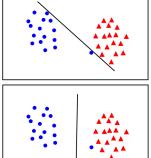
$$\max_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{2}{\|\mathbf{w}\|}$$

s.t. 
$$\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b \begin{cases} \geqslant 1 & y_i = +1 \\ \leqslant -1 & y_i = -1 \end{cases}$$

Or equivalently:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2}$$
s.t.  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ 

## Linear Separability Again: What is The Outlier?



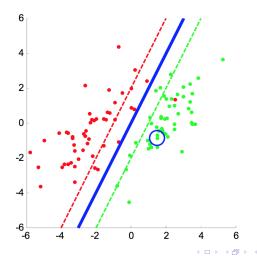
• the points can be linearly separated but there is a very narrow margin

• but possibly the large margin solution is better, even though one constraint is violated

In general there is a trade off between the margin and the number of mistakes on the training data

## Linear Separability Again: What is The Outlier?

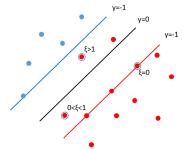
Moreover, training data may not be linearly separable!



## A Relaxed Formulation

Introduce variable  $\xi_i \geqslant 0$ , for each i, which represents how much example i is on wrong side of margin boundary

- If  $\xi_i = 0$  then it is ok
- If  $0<\xi_i<1$  it is correctly classified, but with a smaller margin than  $\frac{1}{||\mathbf{w}||}$
- If  $\xi_i > 1$  then it is incorrectly classified



# Soft Margin Formulation

The optimization problem becomes:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{b}} \ \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i$$

s.t. 
$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1 - \xi_i, \forall \ \xi_i \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Note:

- -small C allows constraints to be easily ignored
- -large C makes constraints hard to ignore

# Soft Margin Formulation

• As can be seen from above:

$$\xi_i \ge 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b), \forall \ \xi_i \ge 0, \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

• What is the optimal value  $\xi_i$  as a function of  ${\bf w}$  and b?

if 
$$1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 0$$
, then  $\xi_i = 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b)$   
if  $1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0$ , then  $\xi_i = 0$ 

• So  $\xi_i$  can be written as:

$$\xi_i = \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

## Hinge Loss

Hinge loss:

$$\xi_i = \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

The optimization problem becomes:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

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## Gradient Descent

• Gradient descent minimum optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b} L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

• To minimize a loss function  $L(\mathbf{w}, b)$  use the iterative update:

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b)$$
$$b = b - \eta \nabla_{b} L(\mathbf{w}, b)$$

• where  $\eta$  is the learning rate.

## **Gradient Descent**

• Let 
$$g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial \mathbf{w}}, g_b(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial b}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g_b(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

#### Algorithm 1: GD

1 Initialize parameter  ${\bf w}$  and learning rate  $\eta$  2 while stopping condition is not achieved do

3 
$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b)$$
  
4  $b = b - \eta \nabla_{b} L(\mathbf{w}, b)$ 

5 end

• Gradient descent minimum optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} L(\mathbf{w},b) = \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

• Gradient computation:

$$\nabla L = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) \\ \nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & \dots & w_n \end{bmatrix}^\top$$
$$\|\mathbf{w}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2 = w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2$$

Writting in the denominator-layout notation:

$$\frac{\partial(\|\mathbf{w}\|^2)}{\partial\mathbf{w}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial(w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2)}{\partial w_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial(w_1^2 + w_2^2 + \dots + w_n^2)}{\partial w_n} \end{bmatrix}^\top$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2w_1 & \dots & 2w_n \end{bmatrix}^\top$$
$$= 2\mathbf{w}$$

so we have:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial(\|\mathbf{w}\|^2)}{\partial \mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{w}$$

- The hinge loss is  $\xi_i = \max(0, 1 y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b))$
- Let  $g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$
- if  $1 y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 0$ :

$$g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\partial (-y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b))}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$
$$= -\frac{\partial (y_i \mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i)}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$$
$$= -y_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

• if  $1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0$ :

$$g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = 0$$

so we have:

$$g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \begin{cases} -y_i \mathbf{x}_i & 1 - y_i (\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 0 \\ 0 & 1 - y_i (\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0 \end{cases}$$

• Let 
$$g_b(\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\partial \xi_i}{\partial b}$$

$$g_b(\mathbf{x}_i) = \begin{cases} -y_i & 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 0\\ 0 & 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0 \end{cases}$$

# The final algorithm

Gradient descent is a batch algorithm that uses all examples

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w} + \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

$$\nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{C}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g_b(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

#### Algorithm 2: GD

1 Initialize parameter  $\mathbf{w}$  and learning rate  $\eta$ 

2 while stopping condition is not achieved do

5 end

## The final algorithm

The algorithm for calculating the subgradient is as follows:

$$g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \begin{cases} -y_i \mathbf{x}_i & 1 - y_i (\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \geq 0 & 1 & \text{Initialize } g_w = 0, \\ 0 & 1 - y_i (\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0 & 2 & \text{for } i = 1 \text{ to n do} \end{cases}$$

$$g_b(\mathbf{x}_i) = \begin{cases} -y_i & 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 0 & \mathbf{6} & \text{end if} \\ 0 & 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b) < 0 & \mathbf{7} & \text{end for} \end{cases}$$

#### **Algorithm 3:** Subgradient

```
Initialize g_w = 0, g_b = 0
2 for i=1 to n do
3 if y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) \leq 1 then
4 g_w = g_w + (-y_i x_i)
5 g_b = g_b + (-y_i)
6 end if
```

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## Stochastic Optimization Motivation

- Information is redundant amongst samples
- Sufficient samples mean we can afford noisy updates
- Never-ending stream means we should not wait for all data
- Tracking non-stationary data means the target is moving

# Stochastic Optimization

Keypoint: enough iterations with gradient from a small, current subsample of dataset help us converge to the global minimum

- Better for large datasets and often faster convergence
- Hard to reach high accuracy
- Classical methods can not handle stochastic approximation
- Theoretical definitions for convergence are not as well defined

#### Stochastic Gradient Descent

SGD works similar as GD, but more quickly by estimating gradient from an example at a time

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w} + Cg_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
$$\nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) = Cg_b(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

#### Algorithm 4: SGD

```
Initialize parameter {\bf w} and learning rate \eta while stopping condition is not achieved do Randomly select an example i in the training set {\bf w}={\bf w}-\eta\nabla_{\bf w}L({\bf w},b) b=b-\eta\nabla_bL({\bf w},b) 6 end
```

## The Benefits of SGD

- Gradient is easy to calculate (instantaneous)
- Less prone to local minima
- Small memory footprint
- Get to a reasonable solution quickly
- Can be used for more complex models and error surfaces

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## Minibatch Stochastic Gradient Descent

- Like the single random sample, the full gradient is approximated via an unbiased noisy estimate
- Rather than using a single point, randomly choose a subset  $S_k$ , and optimization problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} L: \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2} + \frac{C}{|\mathbf{S}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}_k} \max(0, 1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

• The size of  $S_k$ , denoted by  $|S_k|$ , is much smaller than the original data size n, and  $|S_k|$  can be  $2^3$ ,  $2^4$  ...

## Minibatch Stochastic Gradient Descent

MSGD works identically to SGD, except that we use more than one training example to make each estimate of the gradient

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \mathbf{w} + \frac{C}{|\mathbf{S}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}_k} g_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
$$\nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{C}{|\mathbf{S}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathbf{S}_k} g_b(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

#### Algorithm 5: MSGD

1 Initialize parameter w and learning rate  $\eta$ while stopping condition is not achieved do Randomly select  $|S_k|$  examples in the training set  $\nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{C}{|\mathbf{\mathcal{S}}_k|} \sum_{i \in \mathbf{\mathcal{S}}_k} g_b(\mathbf{x}_i) \qquad \mathbf{4} \qquad \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L(\mathbf{w}, b) \\ b = b - \eta \nabla_b L(\mathbf{w}, b)$ 6 end

## Example

• n=10000,d=20

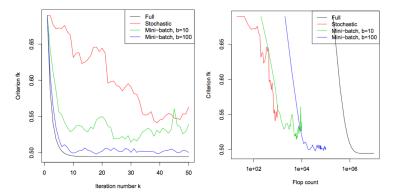


Figure: Larger mini-batch size take more computation time but less iterations

## Importance of Learning Rate

- Learning rate has a large impact on convergence Too small  $\rightarrow$  too slow Too large  $\rightarrow$  oscillatory and may even diverge
- Should learning rate be fixed or adaptive?
- Is convergence necessary?
   Non-stationary: convergence may not be required
   Stationary: learning rate should decrease with time

## SGD Recommendations

#### Randomly shuffle training examples

- Although theory says you should randomly pick examples, it is easier to pass through your training set sequentially
- Shuffling before each iteration eliminates the effect of order

#### Monitor both training cost and validation error

- Set aside samples for validation set
- Compute the objective on the training set and validation set (expensive but better than overfitting or wasting computation)

## SGD Recommendations

#### Check gradient using finite differences

- Incorrect computation can yield erratic and slow algorithm
- Verify your code by slightly perturbing the parameter and inspecting differences between the two gradients

#### Leverage sparsity of the training examples

• For very high-dimensional vectors with few non zero coefficients, you only need to update the weight corresponding to nonzero pattern in x

## SGD Recommendations

#### Experiment with the learning rates using small sample of training set

- SGD convergence learning rates are independent from sample size
- Use traditional optimization algorithms as a reference point

### Use learning rates of the form $\eta_t = \eta_{t-1} (1 + \eta_{t-1} \lambda t)^{-1}$

- Allows you to start from reasonable learning rates determined by testing on a small sample
- Works well in most situations if the initial point is slightly smaller than best value observed in training sample

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## Three common classification problems

- Binary classification
- Multi-class classification
- Multi-label classification





Multi-label classification

## Multi-class classification

Multi-class classification is the common classification problem, which classifies instances into one of the more than two classes.

### Dataset

- MNIST
- Cifar-10 and Cifar-100
- ImageNet
- ...

## Multi-class classification

Three general strategies

- Transformation to binary classification
- Extension from binary classification
- Hierarchical classification

## Transformation to binary classification

The strategies reduces the problem of multi-class classification to multiple binary classification problems.

- One-vs.-rest
- One-vs.-one
- Decision Directed Acyclic Graph, DDAG

## One-vs.-rest method

### Train:

- For each class
  - Train a binary classifier with the samples of that class as positive samples and others as negatives.



## One-vs.-rest method

#### Predict:

- For each binary classifier
  - Produce a real-valued confidence score
- Predict the label with the highest confidence score

$$\hat{y} =_{k \in \{1...k\}}^{argmax} f_k(x)$$

## One-vs.-rest method

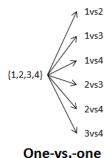
### Advantage vs Disadvantage

- Advantage
  - $\bullet$  Trains K binary classifiers for a  $K\mbox{-way}$  multi-class problem.
- Disadvantage
  - The distributions of the binary classifications are unbalanced.
     (The set of negatives is much larger than the set of positives.)
  - The scale of the confidence values may differ between the binary classifiers.

## One-vs.-one method

### Train:

- For each pair of classes
  - Train a binary classifier to discriminate between them.



## One-vs.-one method

#### Predict:

- For each binary classifier
  - Contrast the two categories and do a voting.

```
A=B=C=D=0
A vs B-classifier: if A win, A=A+1; otherwise, B=B+1;
A vs C-classifier: if A win, A=A+1; otherwise, C=C+1;
...
C vs D-classifier: if C win, C=C+1; otherwise, D=D+1;
```

Predict the label with the maximum number of votes wins.

$$\hat{y}$$
=Max(A,B,C,D)

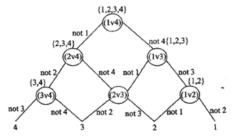
## One-vs.-one method

### Advantage vs Disadvantage

- Advantage
  - The distributions of the binary classifications are balanced.
- Disadvantage
  - Train K(K-1)/2 binary classifiers for a K-way multi-class problem, which has high computed complexity.
  - Suffer from ambiguities when receive the same number of votes.

## Decision Directed Acyclic Graph

Compared to One-vs.-one method, it uses a rooted binary directed acyclic graph which has internal nodes and leaves.



**Decision Directed Acyclic Graph** 

## Decision Directed Acyclic Graph

#### Predict:

- Start at the root node.
- Before reaching a leaf node:
  - Evaluate the binary decision function.
  - Move to either left or right depending on the output value.

### Compared to One-vs.-one method

The correlation between each of the binary classifications brings the cost of the prediction down.

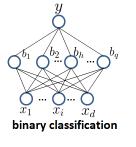
## Extension from binary classification

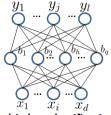
The strategies extends the existing binary classifiers to solve multi-class classification problems.

- Neural networks
- Decision trees
- K-nearest neighbours
- Softmax function

### Neural networks

Instead of just having one neuron in the output layer, the network could have N binary neurons leading to multi-class classification.

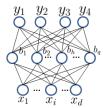




multi-class classification

## Neural networks

Each output neuron is designated to identify a given class. N=K



K	<b>y</b> 1	<b>y</b> <sub>2</sub>	<b>y</b> 3	<b>y</b> 4
Class 1	1	0	0	0
Class 2	0	1	0	0
Class 3	0	0	1	0
Class 4	0	0	0	1

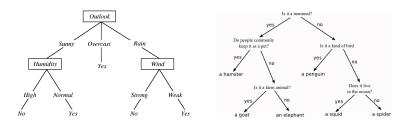
One-per-class coding

Train: The loss function  $\mathbf{E} = \sum_{j=1}^{l} \mathbf{E}_{j}$ 

Predict: The neuron with the maximum output is considered as the class of the example.

## Decision trees

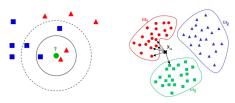
The decision tree tries to split the training data based on the values of the features to produce a good generalization.



• The algorithm can naturally handle binary and multi-class classification.

## K-nearest neighbours

- Calculate the distances
   Calculate the distances between the test object and each object in the training set.
- Find the neighbors
   Get the K nearest training objects as neighbors.
- Vote on labels
   Classify the test object based on the most frequent class of the neighbors.



## K-nearest neighbours

### Advantage vs Disadvantage

- Advantage
  - The method is a non-parametric classification algorithms.
  - The algorithm can naturally handle binary and multi-class classification.
- Disadvantage
  - The computational and memory requirements are high.
  - Finding good representations and distance measures between objects is hard.

## Hierarchical classification

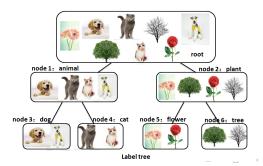
The strategies tackles the multi-class classification problem by dividing the output space i.e. into a tree.

Label tree

### Label tree

#### Train:

- Before the leaf nodes contain only a single class
  - Each parent node are divided into a number of clusters, one for each child node.
- At each node, a simple classifier is trained to discriminate between the different child class clusters.



### Label tree

#### Predict:

- Start from the root node
  - Travel to a leaf node which is associated with a label

### Advantage vs Disadvantage

- Advantage
  - The tree method brings the cost of the prediction down.
- Disadvantage
  - Finding good clustering method is important.

Q & A?

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An optimization problem can be considered in two ways, primal problem and dual problem

• for primal problem of basic SVM:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w},b} \frac{\|\mathbf{w}\|^2}{2}$$
s.t.  $y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_i + b) \ge 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2, ..., n$ 

• its Lagrange function is:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i (1 - y_i(\mathbf{w}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_i + b)) \quad (1)$$

• its Lagrange "dual function" is:

$$\mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \inf \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

Dual function gives the lower bound of the optimal value of primal problem

• dual problem: the best lower bound dual function can get

$$\max_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

• setting partial derivative of **D** with respect to **w** to 0:

$$\nabla_{w} \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{w} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} \mathbf{x}_{i} = 0$$
(2)

• setting partial derivative of  $\mathcal{L}$  with respect to b to 0:

$$\nabla_b \mathbf{D} = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i = 0 \tag{3}$$

• adding (2), (3) to (1):

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{w}, b, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{w}\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (1 - y_i (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{w}^T \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} - 0$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} [\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i \mathbf{x}_i]^T [\sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x}_j$$

• finally, we can get the dual problem:

$$\max_{\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} \alpha_{j} y_{i} y_{j} \mathbf{x}_{i}^{\top} \mathbf{x}_{j}$$
s.t. 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_{i} y_{i} = 0,$$

$$\alpha_{i} \geqslant 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

# THANK YOU!