

Assignment 2

Due date: 24 October 2021 (Sun) 23:59

Full mark: 100

Expected time spent: 3-5 hours

- Aims:
1. Understand the knowledge about SVM and hands-on practice of the optimization problem in SVM.
 2. Get familiar with how to use some tools (e.g., scikit-learn) to implement SVM.
 3. Understand the knowledge about different methods of clustering, including K-means, DBSCAN and Hierarchical clustering.

Description:

In Assignment 2, you will practice how to build a SVM classifier on a training set and evaluate it on a test set. Here, you will know how to use some toolboxes to implement SVM. You will practice on using concepts of K-means, DBSCAN and Hierarchical clustering to solve problems.

For some calculations, you can use the toolbox in Python or MATLAB or any other programming languages you are familiar with.

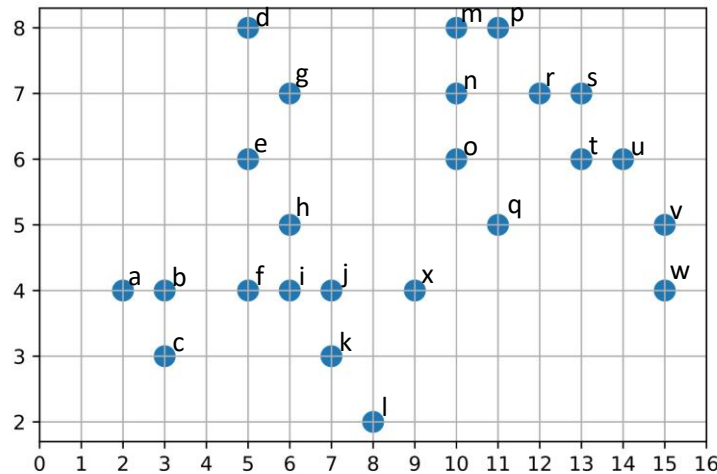
Questions:

1. Consider the following training and test data set:

Training set				Test set			
Index	x_1	x_2	y	Index	x_1	x_2	y
1	6	-8	1	1	5	-7	1
2	6.5	-9	1	2	5.5	-9	1
3	9	-8.5	1	3	8	-8	1
4	6.5	-9	1	4	9	-8	1
5	5	-2.5	-1	5	7	-2.5	-1
6	8	-4	-1	6	8	-5	-1
7	9.5	-4	-1	7	5	-5	-1
8	9	-5	-1	8	6.5	-4	-1

- (a) Set up the optimization problem using $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_8$ and numerically solve for them (you can use any toolbox you like). What is the optimal α ? Based on these α , which are the support vectors? Then, calculate the function of optimal hyperplane of this model. (10%)
- (b) Given the test data points, how can we use the optimal hyperplane to predict them? Please write corresponding formulas and then get the predictions. (10%)
- (c) If we remove the 2nd data point in training set and use the remaining 7 points to train the SVM model, will the optimal hyperplane change? How about removing the 8th data point? Give brief explanations for your answers. (5%)

2. Use the training data attached in the blackboard to train a SVM model. Try to use what we have learned from the lecture (kernel function and soft-margin method) to optimize your model and make the accuracy of your model $\geq 90\%$ on the test set. You should give a brief introduction about your model (less than 50 words) and plot your decision boundary with training set and test set in 2D figure (x-axis expresses x_1 while y-axis expresses x_2), respectively. Then, submit your code (Python, MATLAB or other programming languages you like). (25%)
3. Consider the following data and perform the K-means and DBSCAN algorithms using the Euclidean distance between points:



- (a) Use K-means algorithm to perform two-class classification task. Assume that the initial cluster centers are (5, 4), (12, 6) respectively. Calculate the updated cluster centers after the **first** iteration. (10%)
- (b) Use DBSCAN to perform the clustering. Assume that $\epsilon = 2$ and $minpts=3$. List all the core points. (10%)
- (c) Is u density reachable from o ? Show the intermediate points on the chain or the point where the chain breaks of DBSCAN model. (5%)
- (d) Show the density-based clusters and the noise points of DBSCAN model. (5%)
4. Use the similarity matrix in the following table to perform the hierarchical clustering with the **MIN distance** and **MAX distance** respectively. Show your results by drawing a dendrogram. The dendrogram should clearly show the order in which the points are merged. (20%)

	p1	p2	p3	p4	p5
p1	1.00	0.10	0.41	0.55	0.35
p2	0.10	1.00	0.64	0.47	0.98
p3	0.41	0.64	1.00	0.44	0.85
p4	0.55	0.47	0.44	1.00	0.76
p5	0.35	0.98	0.85	0.76	1.00

Submission:

Submit a single file named <ID>_asmt2.pdf, where <ID> is your student ID.

Your file should contain the following header. Contact Professor Dou before submitting the assignment if you have anything unclear about the guidelines on academic honesty.

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Submit your files using the Blackboard online system.

Notes:

1. Remember to submit your assignment by 23:59pm of the due date. We may not accept late submissions.
2. If you submit multiple times, **ONLY** the content and time-stamp of the **latest** one would be considered.

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