

**Note: The question paper is quite explanatory. As far as possible, no clarifications or discussions on the questions will be entertained!**

1. Consider a Support Vector Machine and the training data from two categories:
- $$\omega_1 : \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \omega_2 : \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Compute the weight vector that maximizes the margin of separation of the samples of the categories.
- What is the margin of separation.
- What are the support vectors.

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2. You are given a data set  $\{\mathbf{x}_i, y_i\}_{i=1}^N$  of size  $N$ . Each input  $\mathbf{x}_i$  is  $d$ -dimensional and its corresponding target  $y_i$  takes one of the 2 values (+1 or -1). The least squares version of the SVM classifier is obtained by reformulating the minimization problem of the traditional problem as:

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, b, \xi} \quad \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{w} + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i^2$$

subject to the constraints:

$$y_i(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_i + b) = 1 - \xi_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$$

Here,  $C$  is a penalty factor set by the user. The variable  $b$  represents the bias and is a real-valued scalar.

- Write down the Lagrangian Function  $L(\mathbf{w}, b, \xi)$  corresponding to this optimization problem. Here  $\xi = \{\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_N\}$ .
- State the Lagrangian conditions, that are to be satisfied at optimality.

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3. Consider a one-dimensional two-category classification problem with priors,  $P(\omega_1) = 2/5$  and  $P(\omega_2) = 3/5$ . Three i.i.d training observations were collected:  $D_1 = \{1, 5, 6\}$  and  $D_2 = \{3, 4, 8\}$  for  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ , respectively. It is desired to classify a test pattern using the Parzen Window technique, discussed in class. Using the window function  $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \exp^{-|x|}$ , classify the pattern  $x = 4.5$ . It is known that: the misclassification of samples of  $\omega_1$  to  $\omega_2$  incurs a loss twice to that of  $\omega_2$  to  $\omega_1$ . Correct classifications are assigned zero loss. Assume, in addition that the loss incurred in misclassifying the pattern to  $\omega_1$  is 0.5.

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4. Find the direction  $\mathbf{w}$  that maximizes the projection of the line linking the means  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  of two categories  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ . (Use Cauchy Schwartz inequality!)

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